

PHYS 301
HANDOUT 3A
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1. Use the definition of the derivative to calculate the derivative at the corresponding point: a) $f(z) = 3z^2 + 4iz - 5 + i$, at $z = 2$, b) $f(z) = (2z - i)/(z + 2i)$, at $z = -i$, c) $f(z) = 3z^{-2}$, $z = 1 + i$.
2. Show that the derivative $d(z^2\bar{z})/dz$, does not exist.
3. Verify that the real and imaginary parts of the following functions satisfy the Cauchy-Riemann conditions: a) $f(z) = z^2 + 5iz + 3 - i$, b) $f(z) = ze^{-z}$, c) $f(z) = \sin(2z)$.
4. Verify that the real and imaginary parts of the following functions satisfy the Cauchy-Riemann conditions: a) $f(z) = e^{z^2}$, b) $f(z) = \cos(2z)$, c) $f(z) = \sinh(4z)$.
5. a) Show that the function $u = 2x(1 - y)$ is harmonic. b) Find a function v such that the function $f(z) = u + iv$ is analytic. c) Express $f(z)$ as a function of z .
6. Find the orthogonal curve to the curve $x^3y - xy^3 = a$.
7. Separating the function $f(z) = z + 1/z$ in a real and imaginary part, show that the families $(r^2 + 1)\cos\theta = ar$ and $(r^2 - 1)\sin\theta = \beta r$ represent orthogonal curves.
8. Show that $\nabla^2|f(z)|^2 = 4|f'(z)|^2$. Verify this relation for $f(z) = z^2 + iz$.
9. Show that (a) $\frac{\partial}{\partial x} = \frac{\partial}{\partial z} + \frac{\partial}{\partial \bar{z}}$, (b) $\frac{\partial}{\partial y} = i\left(\frac{\partial}{\partial z} - \frac{\partial}{\partial \bar{z}}\right)$.
10. Show that $\nabla = \frac{\partial}{\partial x} + i\frac{\partial}{\partial y} = 2\frac{\partial}{\partial \bar{z}}$.
11. Show that $\bar{\nabla} = \frac{\partial}{\partial x} - i\frac{\partial}{\partial y} = 2\frac{\partial}{\partial z}$.