

**Ph.D. Qualifying Examination**  
**Sem 2, 2001/2002**  
**Complex Analysis**

1. Let

$$f(x + iy) = (x^3 - 9x^2 + y^3) - i(3x + 24y).$$

Determine the points, if any, at which  $f$  is differentiable, and find  $f'(z)$  where it exists. Determine also the points, if any, at which  $f$  is analytic.

2. Suppose that  $f$  is an entire function and  $f(z) = f(2z)$  for all complex numbers  $z$ . Prove that  $f$  is a constant function.

3. Let

$$f(z) = \frac{1}{(z-1)(z-3)}.$$

- (i) Find the Laurent series of  $f$  in the domain  $\{z \in \mathbb{C} : 1 < |z| < 3\}$ .
- (ii) Evaluate the integral

$$\int_{\gamma} \frac{1}{z^n(z-1)(z-3)}$$

where  $n$  is a positive integer and  $\gamma$  is the positively oriented circle  $|z| = 2$ .

4. Let

$$f(z) = z \left( \frac{z-2}{e^{i\pi z} - 1} \right)^2.$$

- (i) Identify the singular points of  $f$  and classify each as a removable singularity, an essential singularity or a pole of specific order.
- (ii) Evaluate

$$\int_{\gamma} f(z) dz$$

where  $\gamma$  is the positively oriented circle  $|z| = 1$ .

5. Use the Cauchy residue theorem to show that

$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{dx}{(1+x^2)^{n+1}} = \frac{\pi(2n)!}{2^{2n}(n!)^2}$$

for all nonnegative integers  $n$ .

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