

## Complex functions for Engineering Students

### Solutions for work sheet 4

#### Exercise 1:

a) Determine a Möbius transform  $T : \mathbb{C}^* \rightarrow \mathbb{C}^*$ ,  $T(z) := \frac{az + b}{cz + d}$  with

$$T(i) = 0, \quad T(0) = 2, \quad T(2i) = \infty.$$

b) Determine the images of the following generalized circles using  $T$ .

(i)  $K :=$  imaginary axis,

(ii)  $K_2 := \{z \in \mathbb{C} : |z| = 2\}$ ,

(iii)  $\tilde{K} :=$  real axis.

c) Determine the image of the quarter plane

$$S := \{z \in \mathbb{C} : \operatorname{Re}(z) > 0, \operatorname{Im}(z) > 0\}.$$

d) Determine the image of

$$H := \{z \in \mathbb{C} : \operatorname{Re}(z) > 3\}.$$

#### Solution for exercise 1)

a)  $T(i) = 0, T(2i) = \infty \iff T(z) = \frac{a(z - i)}{z - 2i}.$

$$T(0) = 2, \quad \implies \quad T(z) = \frac{4(z - i)}{z - 2i}.$$

b) (i) Because of the given images of  $0, i, 2i$  the transform is  $T(i\mathbb{R}) = \mathbb{R}$ .

Alternatively:  $2i \in i\mathbb{R} \iff T(i\mathbb{R})$  is a line.

$$T(0) = 2, T(\infty) = 4 \iff T(i\mathbb{R}) = \mathbb{R}$$

(ii)  $2i \in K_2 \iff T(K_2)$  is a line.

$K_2$  is symmetric to  $i\mathbb{R} \implies T(K_2)$  is symmetric to  $\mathbb{R}$ .

$T(-2i) = \frac{4(-3i)}{-4i} = 3 \iff T(K_2)$  is the parallel line to the imaginary axis through the point 3

$$g_2 := T(K_2) = \{w \in \mathbb{C} : w = 3 + iv, v \in \mathbb{R}\}.$$

- (iii)  $2i \notin \mathbb{R} \iff T(\mathbb{R})$  is a real circle  $K_R$ .  
 $\mathbb{R}$  is symmetric to  $i\mathbb{R}$  and  $K_2 \implies T(\mathbb{R})$  is symmetric to  $\mathbb{R}$  and  $g_2$ .  
 The center of the circle in the image is  $M = 3$ .  
 Because of  $T(0) = 2$  the radius  $R = 1$ .

- c) The image of the quarter plane is bounded by  $\mathbb{R}$  and  $K_R$ .

Now, we can calculate:

$$T(2i) = \infty \implies \text{upper halfspace} \longrightarrow \text{outside of } K_R.$$

$$T(2) = \frac{8 - 4i}{2 - 2i} = \frac{2(2 - i)(1 + i)}{1 - i^2} = 2 + 2i - i + 1 = 3 + i.$$

The right halfspace is mapped onto the upper halfspace.

$$T(S) = \{w \in \mathbb{C} : \text{Im}(w) > 0, |w - 3| > 1\}.$$

Or for example:

$$T(1 + 2i) = \frac{4 + 8i - 4i}{1 + 2i - 2i} = 4 + 4i$$

Lies in the upper halfspace and outside of  $K_R$ , so

$$T(S) = \{w \in \mathbb{C} : \text{Im}(w) > 0, |w - 3| > 1\}.$$

- d) The image of the line  $\text{Re}(z) = 3$  is a real circle, since  $2i$  does not lie on the line. The center  $C$  and  $\infty$  are symmetric to the circle in the image. Hence

$T^{-1}(\infty) = 2i$  is symmetric to  $T^{-1}(C)$  regarding the line  $\text{Re}(z) = 3$ .

$$\implies T^{-1}(C) = 2i + 6 \iff C = T(2i + 6) = \frac{4(2i + 6 - i)}{2i + 6 - 2i} = 4 + \frac{2i}{3}$$

Because of  $T(\infty) = 4$  the circle's radius is  $r = \frac{2}{3}$ . Because of  $T(0) = 2$   $E : \text{Re}(z) > 3$  is mapped onto the interior of the circle.

$$T(H) = \{w \in \mathbb{C} : |w - 4 - \frac{2i}{3}| < \frac{2}{3}\}.$$

**Exercise 2:**

In which points of their domain are the following functions complex differentiable?

a)  $f_1 : \mathbb{C} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}, f_1(z) = \operatorname{Re}(z) \cdot \operatorname{Im}(z).$

b)  $f_2 : \mathbb{C} \rightarrow \mathbb{C},$   
 $f_2(z) = (\operatorname{Re}(z) + 2)^2 - (\operatorname{Im}(z) + 2)^2 + i[\operatorname{Im}(z)(\operatorname{Re}(z) + 4) + \operatorname{Re}(z)(\operatorname{Im}(z) + 4)].$

c)  $f_3 : \mathbb{C} \setminus \{0\} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}, f_3(z) = \frac{z^2}{\bar{z}}.$

Hint: Use Cauchy Riemann equations in polar representation:  $u_r = \frac{1}{r}v_\varphi$  and  $v_r = -\frac{1}{r}u_\varphi.$

**Solution:**

a)  $f_1(z) = \operatorname{Re}(z) \cdot \operatorname{Im}(z) = xy + 0 \cdot i \iff u = xy, v = 0$

We verify the Cauchy Riemann equations:

$$u_x = v_y \iff y = 0, \quad \text{and} \quad u_y = -v_x \iff x = 0$$

The function is only complex differentiable in zero.

b)  $f_2(z) = (\operatorname{Re}(z) + 2)^2 - (\operatorname{Im}(z) + 2)^2 + i[\operatorname{Im}(z)(\operatorname{Re}(z) + 4) + \operatorname{Re}(z)(\operatorname{Im}(z) + 4)].$   
 $u = (x + 2)^2 - (y + 2)^2$  and  $v = y(x + 4) + x(y + 4)$

So  $u_x = 2(x + 2) = v_y = x + 4 + x$  and  $-u_y = 2(y + 2) = v_x = y + y + 4.$

The function is complex differentiable everywhere. It holds that  $f_2(z) = (z + 2 + 2i)^2 - 8i.$

c)  $f_3(z) = \frac{z^2}{\bar{z}} = \frac{r^2 e^{2i\varphi}}{r e^{-i\varphi}} = r e^{3i\varphi} = r \cdot \cos(3\varphi) + i \cdot r \cdot \sin(3\varphi)$

$$u_r = \cos(3\varphi), \quad \frac{1}{r}v_\varphi = 3 \cdot \cos(3\varphi)$$

$f_3$  is only complex differentiable in points with  $\cos(3\phi) = 0.$

$$v_r = \sin(3\varphi), \quad \frac{1}{r}u_\varphi = -3 \cdot \sin(3\varphi)$$

$f_3$  is only complex differentiable in points with  $\sin(3\phi) = 0.$

There is no angle for which both sine and cosine are zero. Hence,  $f_3$  is complex differentiable nowhere.

*Alternatively:*

The function  $f_4(z) = \bar{z} = x - iy$  is not holomorphic because  $u_x = 1 \neq v_y = -1.$  If  $f_3$  were holomorphic, so too would

$z^2 \cdot (f_3(z))^{-1}$  be holomorphic!

**Exercise 3:**

**Hint : You do not need to give exact transformations.**

a) To solve a potential problem, the area outside the two circles

$$K_1 := \left\{ z \in \mathbb{C} : |z - 2| \leq \frac{3}{2} \right\}, \text{ and}$$

$$K_2 := \left\{ z \in \mathbb{C} : |z + 1| \leq \frac{3}{2} \right\}$$

is to be mapped onto a strip parallel to or onto the interior of the circle around the origin. Which of these two transformations is achievable by the use of a Möbius transform?

b) Let  $\alpha, \beta \in \mathbb{R}$  with  $\alpha < \beta$  be fixed parameters. Which of the following areas can be mapped onto a sector of the form

$$S := \left\{ w \in \mathbb{C} : w = r e^{i\phi}, r \in \mathbb{R}^+, -\pi < \varphi_1 < \phi < \varphi_2 < \pi \right\}$$

using Möbius transforms? Please explain your answer.

(i)

$$G_1 := \{ z \in \mathbb{C} : \alpha < |z| < \beta \} .$$

(ii)

$$G_2 := \{ z \in \mathbb{C} : \alpha < \operatorname{Re}(z) < \beta \} .$$

(iii)

$$G_3 := \left\{ z \in \mathbb{C} : |z - \alpha| < \frac{3}{4} |\beta - \alpha|, |z - \beta| < \frac{3}{4} |\beta - \alpha| \right\} .$$

**Solution for exercise 3)**

a) The domain is bounded by the two circles

$$C_1 := \left\{ z \in \mathbb{C} : |z - 2| = \frac{3}{2} \right\}, \text{ and}$$

$$C_2 := \left\{ z \in \mathbb{C} : |z + 1| = \frac{3}{2} \right\} .$$

These two circles intersect at  $z_s = \frac{1}{2}$ . To map them onto a ring, the circles would have to be mapped onto two circles that do not intersect each other which is not possible!

For mapping to a strip, the circles have to be mapped onto two lines  $g_1$  and  $g_2$ . These have an intersection at  $\infty$ . The intersection of both circles is mapped to the point at  $\infty$  and we obtain two lines as images of the circles  $C_1$  and  $C_2$ . Since the circles have no other intersections the images (lines) also have no other intersections. Hence, they are parallel to each another.

If real coefficients are chosen, the centers  $M_1$  and  $M_2$  of the circles  $C_1$  and  $C_2$  are mapped onto real numbers,  $g_1$  and  $g_2$  are perpendicular to  $\mathbb{R}$  and point at  $\infty$  is mapped onto  $(T(M_1) + T(M_2))/2$ . The area outside of both circles is mapped onto the parallel strip between  $g_1$  and  $g_2$ .

Hence, a mapping onto a strip is possible. For example  $T(z) = \frac{1}{z - \frac{1}{2}}$ .

b) A sector  $S$  of the given form is bounded by two generalized circles with the intersections zero and  $\infty$ .

(i) The circular area

$$G_1 := \{z \in \mathbb{C} : \alpha < |z| < \beta\}.$$

is bounded by two generalized circles without intersection. The mapping from  $G_1$  onto  $S$  using a Möbius transform is not possible.

(ii) The parallel strip

$$G_2 := \{z \in \mathbb{C} : \alpha < \operatorname{Re}(z) < \beta\}.$$

is bounded by two generalized circles with an intersection at  $\infty$ . The mapping from  $G_2$  onto  $S$  using a Möbius transform is not possible.

(iii) The area

$$G_3 := \left\{ z \in \mathbb{C} : |z - \alpha| < \frac{3}{4} |\beta - \alpha|, |z - \beta| < \frac{3}{4} |\beta - \alpha| \right\}.$$

is bounded by two generalized circles with intersections at  $z_1$  and  $z_2$ . If one of the intersections is mapped onto zero and the other onto  $\infty$ , a Möbius transform maps  $G_3$  to a sector.

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