

Here is a collection of practice problems suitable for the first midterm exam.

1. Evaluate the following limits:

(a) $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \left(\frac{1+x}{x} - \frac{1}{\sin x} \right),$

(b) $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sqrt{n^2 + 3n} - n,$

(c) $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\ln x}{\sqrt{x}}.$

2. Find the radius of convergence of the following three series:

(a) $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{x^n}{\ln(n+1)},$ (b) $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(n!)^2 x^n}{(2n)!},$ (c) $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{n^2(x-5)^n}{5^n(n^2+1)}.$

3. Determine whether the following series is absolutely convergent, conditionally convergent, or divergent:

$$\sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n}{n^2 - n}.$$

If this series is convergent, determine its sum.

4. Determine whether the following series are absolutely convergent, conditionally convergent or divergent.

(a) $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (-1)^n \frac{n}{n+1},$ (b) $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n}{2^{\ln n}},$ (c) $\sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n \ln n}.$

5. What is the *behavior* of the function:

$$f(x) = -1 + \frac{1}{x^2} \left[\frac{1}{(1+x^2)^{3/2}} - \frac{1}{(1+x^2)^{5/2}} \right],$$

as $x \rightarrow 0$? (Obtaining the limit as $x \rightarrow 0$ is not sufficient.)

6. Evaluate $f(x) = \ln \sqrt{(1+x)/(1-x)} - \tan x$ at $x = 0.0015$ without a calculator. Determine the numerical accuracy of your result. Is your calculator a useful tool for this problem? (Try it!)

7. For each expression find all possible values and express your result both in the form $x + iy$ and in polar form $re^{i\theta}$, where θ is the principal value of the argument.

$$\begin{array}{lll} \text{(a)} i^{77} + i^{202} & \text{(b)} \frac{3+i}{2+i} & \text{(c)} \sqrt{-2+2i\sqrt{3}} \\ \text{(d)} \left(\frac{1+i}{1-i}\right)^4 & \text{(e)} \sqrt[4]{16} & \end{array}$$

8. Let $z = 1 - i$. Express each of the following in the form of $x + iy$. For any multi-valued function, you should indicate all possible values of the result.

$$\begin{array}{lll} \text{(a)} \cos(1/z) & \text{(b)} z^z & \text{(c)} \tan(z-1) \\ \text{(d)} \operatorname{Ln} z & \text{(e)} \arg z & \end{array}$$

9. Solve for all possible values of the real numbers x and y in the following equations:

$$\begin{array}{l} \text{(a)} x + iy = y + ix. \\ \text{(b)} \frac{x + iy}{x - iy} = -i. \end{array}$$

10. Find the disk of convergence of the following complex power series:

$$\begin{array}{ll} \text{(a)} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(n!)^2}{(2n)!} z^n, & \text{(b)} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{z^{2n}}{(2n+1)!}. \end{array}$$

11. Evaluate the integral

$$\int_0^{\pi} \sin 3x \cos 4x \, dx.$$

HINT: Rewrite the trigonometric functions in exponential form.

12. Evaluate the following quantities:

$$\begin{array}{l} \text{(a)} (-1)^i \\ \text{(b)} \operatorname{Im} [ix + \sqrt{1-x^2}]^{-1}, \text{ where } x \text{ is a real number and } |x| < 1 \\ \text{(c)} \arg(e^{x+iy}), \text{ where } x \text{ and } y \text{ are real numbers} \end{array}$$

Be sure to indicate all possible values if the quantity in question is multi-valued. Simplify your expressions as much as possible.