

## MA224 HOMEWORK ASSIGNMENT 5

Due Date: April 11 (Sun.) by 11:59 pm

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1. **Mode of submission.** Assignments must be submitted via teams (as discussed in class). Your assignment may be hand-written or typed, but the final submission must be in the form of a **PDF document**.
2. **Grading scheme.** You are expected to submit solutions to all the problems. The grader will grade selected problems.
3. **What can I use?** As much as possible, use definitions/theorems/facts stated in class. Avoid heavy machinery — you'll be alerted when it is needed.
4. **On collaborative efforts.** Teamwork is absolutely discouraged. These assignments are meant to test your individual understanding of the course material.

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**Problem 1.** Let  $\Omega \subset \mathbb{C}$  be an open set. Suppose  $\gamma_0, \gamma_1 : [0, 1] \rightarrow \Omega$  are curves with the same endpoints. Let  $\gamma : [0, 1] \rightarrow \Omega$  be the curve

$$\gamma(t) = \begin{cases} \gamma_0(2t), & 0 \leq t \leq \frac{1}{2}, \\ \gamma_1(2 - 2t), & \frac{1}{2} \leq t \leq 1. \end{cases}$$

Show that  $\gamma_0$  and  $\gamma_1$  are f.e.p. homotopic in  $\Omega$  if and only if  $\gamma$  is nullhomotopic in  $\Omega$ .

**Problem 2.** Recall that the stereographic projection

$$\Psi : (x, y, t) \mapsto \begin{cases} \frac{x+iy}{1-t}, & \text{when } (x, y, t) \neq (0, 0, 1), \\ \infty, & \text{when } (x, y, t) = (0, 0, 1), \end{cases}$$

identifies the unit sphere  $S^2$  in  $\mathbb{R}^3$  with the extended complex plane  $\hat{\mathbb{C}}$ . Given a matrix  $A = \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix} \in \text{GL}(2; \mathbb{C})$ , the fractional linear transformation  $M_A : \hat{\mathbb{C}} \rightarrow \hat{\mathbb{C}}$  is defined as

$$M_A : z \mapsto \begin{cases} \frac{az+b}{cz+d}, & \text{if } z \neq -\frac{d}{c}, \infty, \\ \infty, & \text{if } z = -\frac{d}{c}, \\ \frac{a}{c}, & \text{if } z = \infty, \end{cases} \quad (c \neq 0),$$

and as  $M_A = (az + b)/d$  with  $M_A(\infty) = \infty$ , when  $c = 0$ .

(a) The spherical distance on  $\hat{\mathbb{C}}$  is given by  $d_s(z, w) := \|\Psi^{-1}(z) - \Psi^{-1}(w)\|_{\mathbb{R}^3}$ . Compute an expression for  $d_s(z, w)$  (including an expression for  $d_s(z, \infty)$ ,  $z \in \mathbb{C}$ ).

(b) Now show that if  $\det A = 1$ , then  $M_A$  preserves the spherical distance on  $\hat{\mathbb{C}}$  if and only if  $d = \bar{a}$  and  $c = -\bar{b}$ .

**Problem 3.** Let  $f : \mathbb{C} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$  be an analytic function satisfying an estimate

$$|f(z)| \leq C e^{\alpha |\operatorname{Im} z|},$$

for some  $C > 0$  and  $\alpha \in (0, \pi)$ . Show that

$$f(z) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sum_{n=-N}^{n=N} f(n) \frac{\sin(\pi(z-n))}{\pi(z-n)}$$

for all  $z \in \mathbb{C}$ . Here, one interprets  $\frac{\sin(z)}{z}|_{\{z=0\}}$  as 1.

*For any noninteger  $z \in \mathbb{C}$ , apply the residue theorem to the function  $g(w) = \frac{f(w)}{(w-z)(\sin(\pi w))}$  on the boundaries of appropriate rectangles.*