

MATH 380 : INTRODUCTION TO COMPLEX DYNAMICS
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HOMEWORK 3

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Remarks and instructions:

- a) You are allowed to discuss these problems with your fellow-students, but individually-written and **original** write-ups are expected for submission.
 - b) Please **acknowledge** any persons from whom you received help in solving these problems — stating the problem(s) in which you took their help.
 - c) You are allowed to use AI tools but: (i) You must **acknowledge** the use of AI tools for each problem for which such tools were used — citing the name of the tool used and the manner in which it was used, and (ii) Be aware that LLMs perform poorly on queries involving unusual formulations of problems or problems using terminology that mean different things in different mathematical disciplines.
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1. This problem draws upon:

- the notation and construction in Problem 6 of the first assignment;
- the conclusion of Problem 2 of the first assignment (although there **are** other ways to solve the problem).

Write $\omega := (\omega_1, \omega_2)$, where ω_1 and ω_2 are two non-zero complex numbers that are \mathbb{R} -independent when viewed as vectors in \mathbb{R}^2 . Let

$$\mathcal{A}^\omega := \{(U_{ij}^\omega, \phi_{jk}^\omega) : j = 0, 1, k = 0, 1\}$$

denote the holomorphic atlas on the torus $\mathbb{T}^2 = S^1 \times S^1$ as introduced in Problem 6 of the first assignment. Now write $\tau := (\tau_1, \tau_2)$, where τ_1 and τ_2 are also two non-zero complex numbers that are \mathbb{R} -independent. Find a necessary condition on ω and τ such that $\mathcal{A}^\omega \sim \mathcal{A}^\tau$. **Do note:** you can use without proof — but you have to be **correct** — your conclusions from Problem 6 of the first assignment.

Remark: Unless you have stated an overly permissive condition, the condition that you have discovered is also sufficient — but this can be a bit laborious to show.

2. Study Section 4.3 from the book by Beardon (and Appendix II in case you require further information on the Weierstrass \wp -function) for an example of a rational map $f : \overline{\mathbb{C}}^\infty \rightarrow \overline{\mathbb{C}}^\infty$ whose Julia set is $\overline{\mathbb{C}}^\infty$.

Remark: Notice the connection between the material in Appendix II and Problem 1 above.

3. Let $f : \overline{\mathbb{C}}^\infty \rightarrow \overline{\mathbb{C}}^\infty$ be a rational map having a repelling periodic orbit. Show that this orbit lies in the Julia set of f .

4. Let $f : \overline{\mathbb{C}}^\infty \rightarrow \overline{\mathbb{C}}^\infty$ be a rational map and assume that $\deg(f) \geq 2$.

- (a) Let $z_0 \in \overline{\mathbb{C}}^\infty$ have finite grand orbit under f . Using the following result (the **local** version of which you have studied as the “counting zeros theorem”):

For a point $w \in \overline{\mathbb{C}}^\infty$, $\text{Card}(f^{-1}\{w\}) < \deg(f)$ if and only if at least one $z \in f^{-1}\{w\}$ is a critical point of f .

show that each point in $GO_f(z_0)$ is a critical point of f .

- (b) Show that \mathcal{E}_f is a union of superattracting periodic orbits.

Hint. You may use without proof, if required, the fact that $\deg(f^n) = \deg(f)^n$.

5. Let $f : \overline{\mathbb{C}}^\infty \rightarrow \overline{\mathbb{C}}^\infty$ be a rational map that fixes 0 and assume that 0 is a repelling fixed point. Show that there exists a holomorphic map $\varphi : \mathbb{C} \rightarrow \overline{\mathbb{C}}^\infty$, satisfying $\varphi(0) = 0$, that is biholomorphic on a small neighbourhood of zero and such that the diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \mathbb{C} & \xrightarrow{\text{mult}_\lambda} & \mathbb{C} \\ \varphi \downarrow & & \downarrow \varphi \\ \overline{\mathbb{C}}^\infty & \xrightarrow{f} & \overline{\mathbb{C}}^\infty \end{array}$$

commutes. Here, $\text{mult}_\lambda : z \mapsto \lambda z$, where $\lambda = f'(0)$.

6. Let $f \in {}_0\mathcal{O}$ and suppose f has a zero of multiplicity $N \geq 2$ at $z = 0$. Assume that

$$f(z) = z^N(1 + b(z)) \text{ in a neighbourhood of } 0$$

where $b \in {}_0\mathcal{O}$ such that $b = 0$. Let $r_1 > 0$ be so small that $|b(z)| < 1/2$ and $|f(z)| \leq (3/4)|z|$ for all $z \in D(0, r_1)$. Write

$$\mathbb{H} := \{w \in \mathbb{C} : \text{Re}(w) < \log(r_1)\},$$

and recall, from the proof of Böttcher’s normalization that there exists a holomorphic map $\Lambda : \mathbb{H} \rightarrow \mathbb{H}$ such that the diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \mathbb{H} & \xrightarrow{\Lambda} & \mathbb{H} \\ \exp \downarrow & & \downarrow \exp \\ D(0, r_1)^* & \xrightarrow{f} & D(0, r_1)^* \end{array}$$

commutes. Write $\Phi_n := \Lambda^n/N^n$, $n \in \mathbb{N}$. Show that the sequence $\{\Phi_n\}_{n \geq 0}$ is uniformly Cauchy on compact subsets of \mathbb{H} .