

On paper to be supplied, provide answers for these problems without using any computer, text, notes nor communicating device. Number pages you submit in the order you want them read; put the problem's number as well as your name and student I.D. # on each page submitted.

1: Supply a harmonic conjugate $v(x, y)$ for $u(x, y) := (x^2 + y^2 - x)/(x^2 + y^2 - 2x + 1)$ valid over the largest possible domain, and explain how $v(x, y)$ and its domain were determined.

Solution 1: The desired conjugate is $v(x, y) := (\text{Any Constant}) - y/(x^2 + y^2 - 2x + 1)$ over all of the (x, y) -plane except the point $(x, y) = (1, 0)$. Here is why: Only that point is excluded from the domain of $u(x, y)$, which is an *Expression* analytic in both x and y regarded as complex variables. And since $u(x, y)$ is harmonic, there is some analytic function $f(z)$ of the complex variable $z = x + iy$ satisfying $2u(x, y) = f(x + iy) + \bar{f}(x + iy)$. Now pretend that z and $\bar{z} = w$ are independent complex variables and solve the two equations $x + iy = z$ and $x - iy = \bar{z} = w$ for $x = (z + \bar{z})/2 = (z + w)/2$ and $y = i(\bar{z} - z)/2 = i(w - z)$, which may now be construed temporarily as complex variables independent of each other. Consequently $2u(x, y) = 2u((z+w)/2, i(w-z)/2) = f(z) + \bar{f}(w)$ wherein $\bar{f}(w)$ is an analytic function of w (over a domain that is the complex conjugate of the domain of $f(z)$) by virtue of the Cauchy-Riemann equations that f satisfies. Choose arbitrarily any constant value for \bar{w} in the domain of f to determine a constant (but not yet known) $\bar{f}(\bar{w})$ and obtain a slightly circular formula $f(z) := 2u((z+w)/2, i(w-z)/2) - \bar{f}(\bar{w})$ for an analytic *Expression* $f(z) = f(x + iy)$ of which harmonic $u(x, y)$ is the real part when x and y are real. This formula leaves, as it should, $\text{Im}(\bar{f}(\bar{w}))$ undetermined but does determine $\text{Re}(\bar{f}(\bar{w})) = (\bar{f}(\bar{w}) + f(\bar{w}))/2 = u(\text{Re}(\bar{w}), \text{Im}(\bar{w}))$, so $f(z) = 2u((z+w)/2, i(w-z)/2) - u(\text{Re}(\bar{w}), \text{Im}(\bar{w})) + (\text{Arbitrary Imaginary Constant})$. For $u(x, y)$ given above this yields $f(z) = z/(z-1) + (\text{An Imaginary Constant})$ provided $w \neq 1$, whence $v(x, y) = \text{Im}(f(x + iy))$ etc. as claimed, and without having to integrate derivatives.

Cf. Review Ex. #9, §2.R, and Ex. 32, §1.5 of Basic Complex Analysis 3rd ed. by J.E. Marsden & M.J. Hoffman (1999). See also Ex. 19, p. 14 of <www.cs.berkeley.edu/~wkahan/Math185/Derivative.pdf>, and pp. 264-7 of Z. Nehari's text *Intro. to Complex Analysis* Rev'd Ed. (1969) for a proof of the foregoing method's general validity.

An alternative solution obtains $v(x, y)$ by integrating $\text{Grad}(v(x, y))$. The Cauchy-Riemann equations provide $\text{Grad}(v(x, y)) := [v_x, v_y] = [-u_y, u_x]$ wherein the subscripts denote partial derivatives like $v_x(x, y) := \partial v(x, y)/\partial x$. The variable $\zeta := \xi + i\eta$ of integration runs from an arbitrary point $c := a + ib$ in v 's domain to $z := x + iy$ along a dog-leg path in the (x, y) -plane from (a, b) to (x, b) to (x, y) . Along this path $v(\xi, \eta)$ changes by an amount

$$v(x, y) - v(a, b) = \int_c^z \text{Grad}(v(\xi, \eta)) \cdot [d\xi, d\eta] = -\int_a^x u_y(\xi, b) \cdot d\xi + \int_b^y u_x(x, \eta) \cdot d\eta.$$

Given the problem's $u(x, y) := 1 + (x-1)/((x-1)^2 + y^2)$, we find after some algebraic effort that

$$\int u_x(x, \eta) \cdot d\eta = \int (\eta^2 - (x-1)^2) \cdot d\eta / (\eta^2 + (x-1)^2)^2 = -\eta / (\eta^2 + (x-1)^2) \quad \text{and} \\ \int u_y(\xi, b) \cdot d\xi = -2b \cdot \int (\xi-1) \cdot d\xi / (b^2 + (\xi-1)^2)^2 = b / (b^2 + (\xi-1)^2);$$

and then the expression for $v(x, y)$ simplifies, after little more algebraic effort, to

$$v(x, y) = v(a, b) + b/(b^2 + (a-1)^2) - y/(y^2 + (x-1)^2) \quad \text{as claimed.}$$

Integrating along a different path from (a, b) to (a, y) to (x, y) produces the same result even if the two paths are separated by the sole singularity of $v(x, y)$ at $(x, y) = (1, 0)$.

2: $f(z)$ is analytic over some open domain including a point z_0 at which $f'(z_0) \neq 0$. Explain why $2\pi i/f'(z_0) = \int dz/(f(z) - f(z_0))$ integrated around any sufficiently small circle centered at z_0 . You may invoke the *Inverse Function Theorem* and *Integration-by-Parts* if you wish.

Solution 2: Let $f(z)$ and $g(w)$ be two analytic functions inverse to each other in some open neighborhoods of $z \approx z_0$ and $w \approx w_0 := f(z_0)$ wherein $z \equiv g(f(z))$ and $w \equiv f(g(w))$; therein $1 \equiv g'(f(z)) \cdot f'(z) \equiv f'(g(w)) \cdot g'(w)$ by virtue of the *Inverse Function Theorem*.

See pp. 7-9 on the class web page's <.../Derivative.pdf>, or pp. 69-71 and 400-401 of *Basic Complex Analysis* 3rd ed. by Marsden & Hoffman, and their Ex. #10, §2.R.

Let γ be a circle centered at z_0 and so small that its image $f(\gamma) \approx w_0 + f'(z_0) \cdot (\gamma - z_0)$ is a tiny closed curve enclosing w_0 . Then substitute $w = f(z)$ into the Cauchy Integral Formula's ...

$$2\pi i/f'(z_0) = 2\pi i \cdot g'(w_0) = \int_{f(\gamma)} g'(w) \cdot dw/(w - w_0) = \int_{\gamma} dz/(f(z) - f(z_0)) \text{ as claimed.}$$

An alternative solution differentiates Cauchy's $2\pi i \cdot g(w_0) = \int_{f(\gamma)} g(w) \cdot dw/(w - w_0)$ to obtain $2\pi i \cdot g'(w_0) = \int_{f(\gamma)} g(w) \cdot dw/(w - w_0)^2$ and then substitutes $w := f(z)$ to deduce that $2\pi i/f'(z_0) = \int_{\gamma} z \cdot f'(z) \cdot dz/(f(z) - f(z_0))^2 = -\int_{\gamma} z \cdot d(1/(f(z) - f(z_0)))$, after which *Integration-by-Parts* yields $2\pi i/f'(z_0) = -\Delta_{\gamma} [z/(f(z) - f(z_0))] + \int_{\gamma} dz/(f(z) - f(z_0)) = \int_{\gamma} dz/(f(z) - f(z_0))$, again as claimed.

3: Show how to evaluate $\int_{-\pi}^{\pi} \exp(-i\theta) \cdot \exp(\exp(i\theta)) \cdot d\theta$.

Solution 3: Call the integral $J := \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} \exp(-i\theta) \cdot \exp(\exp(i\theta)) \cdot d\theta$. Hereunder is why $J = 2\pi$: Let O be the z -plane's unit circle on which $z = \exp(i\theta)$, and let w lie strictly inside O . The Cauchy Integral Formula provides $2\pi i \cdot \exp(w) = \int_O \exp(z) \cdot dz/(z - w)$ and its derivative $2\pi i \cdot \exp(w) = 2\pi i \cdot d \exp(w)/dw = \int_O \exp(z) \cdot dz/(z - w)^2$ which the substitution $z := \exp(i\theta)$ turns into $2\pi i \cdot \exp(w) = \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} \exp(\exp(i\theta)) \cdot i \cdot \exp(i\theta) \cdot d\theta / (\exp(i\theta) - w)^2$. Set $w := 0$ to find $2\pi i = i \cdot J$.

This problem is Ex. #11, §2.R, of the text *Basic Complex Analysis* 3rd ed. by Marsden & Hoffman.