

MODEL ANSWERS TO THE THIRD HOMEWORK

1. This is done by a trick. First suppose that $m = 1$. Then we get

$$\frac{1}{1-z} = 1 + z + z^2 + \dots,$$

simply because we recognize

$$\frac{1}{1-z}$$

as a geometric series with the given sum. Now suppose that we know the power series expansion of $(1-z)^{-m}$. The derivative of this is

$$-m(1-z)^{-m-1}.$$

On the other hand, we can differentiate a series term by term. For example,

$$(1-z)^{-2} = -\frac{1}{2}(1 + 2z + 3z^2 + 4z^3 + \dots).$$

More generally,

$$\begin{aligned} (1-z)^{-(m+1)} &= -\frac{1}{m+1} \frac{d}{dz} (1-z)^{-m} \\ &= (-1)^{m-1} \frac{1}{(m+1)!} \frac{d^{m-1}}{dz^{m-1}} (1+z+z^2+\dots) \\ &= (-1)^{m-1} \frac{1}{(m+1)!} \left(m! + (m+1)!z + \frac{(m+2)!}{2} z^2 + \dots + \frac{(m+k)!}{k!} z^k + \dots \right) \\ &= (-1)^{m-1} \frac{1}{m+1} \left(1 + (m+1)z + \frac{(m+2)(m+1)}{2} z^2 + \dots + \binom{m+k}{m} z^k + \dots \right) \end{aligned}$$

2. Note that

$$\frac{2z+3}{z+1} = \frac{2y+5}{y+2},$$

where $y = z - 1$.

Now

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{1}{y+2} &= \frac{1}{2} \frac{1}{(1+y/2)} \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \left(1 - \frac{y}{2} + \left(\frac{y}{2}\right)^2 - \left(\frac{y}{2}\right)^3 + \dots \right) \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \left(1 - \frac{y}{2} + \frac{y^2}{4} + \dots + (-1)^n \frac{y^n}{2^n} + \dots \right) \\ &= \frac{1}{2} - \frac{y}{4} + \frac{y^2}{8} + \dots + (-1)^n \frac{y^n}{2^{n+1}} + \dots\end{aligned}$$

Thus

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{2z+3}{z+1} &= \frac{2y+5}{y+2} \\ &= 2 + \frac{1}{y+2} \\ &= \frac{5}{2} - \frac{y}{4} + \frac{y^2}{8} + \dots + (-1)^n \frac{y^n}{2^{n+1}} + \dots \\ &= \frac{5}{2} - \frac{(z-1)}{4} + \frac{(z-1)^2}{8} + \dots + (-1)^n \frac{(z-1)^n}{2^{n+1}} + \dots\end{aligned}$$

The radius of convergence is 2, as the radius of convergence of

$$\frac{1}{(1+y/2)} = \frac{1}{(1+(z-1)/2)}$$

is 2.

3. By definition $\cos z$ and $\sin z$ are linear combinations of e^{iz} and e^{-iz} .

Now

$$e^{ii} = e^{-1} = 1/e \quad \text{and} \quad e^{i(-i)} = e^1 = e.$$

Thus

$$\cos i = \frac{1}{2} \left(e + \frac{1}{e} \right)$$

and

$$\sin i = \frac{1}{2i} \left(e - \frac{1}{e} \right).$$

4. Suppose that $w = se^{i\phi} = 2^i$. Taking logs of both sides, we get

$$\log s + i\phi = i(\log 2 + 2k\pi i) = i \log 2 - 2k\pi,$$

for some integer k .

Equating real and imaginary parts, we get $\log s = -2k\pi$, whence $s = e^{-2k\pi}$ and $\phi = \log 2$. Thus

$$w = e^{-2k\pi} e^{i \log 2} = e^{2l\pi} (\cos(\log 2) + i \sin(\log 2)),$$

where $l = -k$ is any integer.

Now suppose that $w = i^i$. Taking logs of both sides, we get

$$\log s + i\phi = i(\log i + 2k\pi i) = i(i\pi/2 + 2k\pi i) = -(4k + 1)\pi/2.$$

Thus, equating real and imaginary parts,

$$s = e^{-(4k+1)\pi/2} \quad \text{and} \quad \phi = 0.$$

So

$$w = e^{(4l+3)\pi/2},$$

where l is any integer.

Suppose that $w = (-1)^{2i}$. Taking logs of both sides, we get

$$\log s + i\phi = 2i(\log 1 + (2k + 1)\pi i) = -(4k + 2)\pi,$$

for some integer k . Thus, equating real and imaginary parts,

$$s = e^{-(4k+2)\pi} \quad \text{and} \quad \phi = 0.$$

So

$$w = e^{(4l+2)\pi},$$

where l is any integer.

5. Suppose that $w = z^z$. Then $w = se^{i\phi}$ and $z = re^{i\theta}$ for appropriate r, s, θ and ϕ .

Now take logs of both sides

$$\begin{aligned} \log s + i\phi &= \log w \\ &= z \log z \\ &= re^{i\theta} (\log r + i(2\pi k + \theta)) \\ &= (r \log r)e^{i\theta} + i(2\pi k + \theta)re^{i\theta}. \end{aligned}$$

Now the complex conjugate of the last expression is

$$(r \log r)e^{-i\theta} - i(2\pi k + \theta)re^{-i\theta}.$$

Thus the real part is

$$\log s = r \log r \cos \theta - r(2\pi k + \theta) \sin \theta$$

and the imaginary part is

$$\phi = r \log r \sin \theta + r(2\pi k + \theta) \cos \theta$$

So

$$s = \exp(r \log r \cos \theta - r(2\pi k + \theta) \sin \theta).$$

Thus the real part of z^z is

$$\exp(r \log r \cos \theta - r(2\pi k + \theta) \sin \theta) \cos(r \log r \sin \theta + r(2\pi k + \theta) \cos \theta)$$

and the imaginary part of z^z is

$$\exp(r \log r \cos \theta - r(2\pi k + \theta) \sin \theta) \sin(r \log r \sin \theta + r(2\pi k + \theta) \cos \theta).$$