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**Homework Set 3 (Due on )**

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P.54

5. Show that the function has the value 1 at all nonzero points on the real and imaginary axes, where  $z = (x, 0)$  and  $z = (0, y)$ , respectively, but that it has the value  $-1$  at all nonzero points on the line  $y = x$ , where  $z = (x, x)$ . Thus show that the limit of  $f(z)$  as  $z$  tends to 0 does not exist.

P.61-62

1. Use definition  $\frac{dw}{dz} = \lim_{\Delta z \rightarrow 0} \frac{\Delta w}{\Delta z}$  to give a direct proof that  $\frac{dw}{dz} = 2z$  when  $w = z^2$ .

3. Using results in Sec. 20. show that

(a) a polynomial  $P(z) = a_0 + a_1z + a_2z^2 + \dots + a_nz^n$  ( $a_n \neq 0$ ) of degree  $n$  ( $n \geq 1$ ) is differentiable everywhere with derivative  $P'(z) = a_1 + 2a_2z + \dots + na_nz^{n-1}$ ;

(b) the coefficients in the polynomial  $P(z)$  in part (a) can be written

$$a_0 = P(0), a_1 = \frac{P'(0)}{1!}, a_2 = \frac{P''(0)}{2!}, \dots, a_n = \frac{P^{(n)}(0)}{n!}$$

8. Use the method in Example 2. Sec. 19. to show that  $f'(z)$  does not exist at any point  $z$  when

(a)  $f = \operatorname{Re} z$ , (b)  $f = \operatorname{Im} z$ .

9. Let  $f$  denote the function whose values are

$$f(z) = \begin{cases} \bar{z}^2, & \text{when } z \neq 0, \\ 0, & \text{when } z = 0. \end{cases}$$

Show that if  $z \neq 0$ , then  $\frac{\Delta w}{\Delta z} = 1$  at each nonzero point on the real and imaginary axes

in the  $\Delta z$ , or  $\Delta x \Delta y$  plane. Then show that  $\frac{\Delta w}{\Delta z} = -1$  at each nonzero point  $(\Delta x, \Delta x)$  on the line  $\Delta y = \Delta x$  in that plane. Conclude from these observations that  $f'(0)$  does not exist. Note that to obtain this result, it is not sufficient to consider only horizontal and vertical approaches to the origin in the  $\Delta z$  plane.

P.70

1. Use the theorem in Sec. 21 (Cauchy Riemann equations) to show that  $f'(z)$  does

not exist at any point if

(a)  $f(z) = \bar{z}$ ; (b)  $f(z) = z - \bar{z}$ ; (c)  $f(z) = 2x + ixy^2$ ; (d)  $f(z) = e^x e^{-iy}$ .