

# MATH4060 Assignment 2

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1. Find the order of growth  $\rho$  of the following entire functions.

(a)

$$f(z) = P(z)e^{Q(z)},$$

where  $P$  and  $Q$  are polynomials of degree  $p$  and  $q$  respectively.

(b)

$$e^{e^z}.$$

(c)

$$\cos z^{\frac{1}{2}} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (-1)^n \frac{z^n}{(2n)!}.$$

*Proof.* With  $A, B, C$  understood to be suitable real positive constants.

(a) For any  $r > q$ , we have

$$|f(z)| = |P(z)| \cdot |e^{Q(z)}| \leq A_1 e^{B_1 |z|^{r-q}} \cdot A_2 e^{B_2 |z|^q} \leq A e^{B |z|^r}$$

so  $\rho \leq q$ .

If  $p = -\infty$  (i.e.  $P(z) \equiv 0$ ), then  $\rho = -\infty$ .

Now suppose  $P$  is not identically zero, then  $|P(z)| \geq C$  for some positive constant  $C$  for all  $z$  with  $|z|$  large. By modifying  $P(z)$  (and the constant  $C$ ), we may assume  $Q(z) = z^q + a_1 z^{q-1} + \dots + a_q$ . We have

$$|f(z)| = |P(z)| \cdot |e^{Q(z)}| \geq C e^{\operatorname{Re}(Q(z))}.$$

If we take  $z = t$  to be positive real number, we have that for  $t$  large,

$$\operatorname{Re}(Q(t)) \geq \frac{1}{2} t^q.$$

Whence for  $t$  large enough,

$$|f(t)| \geq C e^{\frac{1}{2} t^q}$$

Thus for any  $r < q$ , we have

$$\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \frac{e^{t^r}}{|f(t)|} = 0.$$

We see that  $\rho \geq q$ , hence  $\rho = q$

(b) For any  $r > 0$ , we have

$$\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \frac{e^{tr}}{|f(t)|} = \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} e^{tr - e^t} = 0.$$

Whence  $\rho = \infty$ .

(c)

$$\begin{aligned} |\cos z^{\frac{1}{2}}| &\leq \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{|z|^n}{(2n)!} \\ &\leq \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(|z|^{\frac{1}{2}})^n}{n!} \\ &= e^{|z|^{\frac{1}{2}}}. \end{aligned}$$

Therefore,  $\rho \leq \frac{1}{2}$ . On the other hand, it can be seen easily that  $(n\pi + \frac{1}{2})^2$  are zeroes of  $f$  for any integer  $n$ . But

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{((n\pi + \frac{1}{2})^2)^{\frac{1}{2}}} = \frac{1}{\pi} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n + \frac{1}{2}} = \infty$$

We see that  $\rho \geq \frac{1}{2}$ , hence  $\rho = \frac{1}{2}$ .

□

2. Prove that there exists constant  $C > 0$  such that

$$\left| \frac{1}{z} + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{2z}{z^2 - n^2} \right| \leq 1 + C \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{|y|}{y^2 + n^2}.$$

for all  $z = x + iy$  with  $|x| \leq \frac{1}{2}$  and  $|y| \geq 1$ .

*Proof.* First of all,  $|z| \geq |y| \geq 1$ , so

$$\frac{1}{|z|} \leq 1.$$

Also,

$$\begin{aligned} |z^2 - n^2|^2 &= (x^2 - y^2 - n^2)^2 + (2xy)^2 \\ &\geq (y^2 + n^2 - \frac{1}{4})^2 \\ &\geq \frac{1}{4}(y^2 + n^2)^2. \end{aligned}$$

Finally, we have  $2|z| \leq 1 + 2|y| \leq 3|y|$ . Therefore,

$$\left| \frac{1}{z} + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{2z}{z^2 - n^2} \right| \leq 1 + 6 \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{|y|}{y^2 + n^2}.$$

□

3. Show that if  $\tau$  is fixed with  $\text{Im}(\tau) > 0$ , then the Jacobi theta function

$$\Theta(z|\tau) = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} e^{\pi i n^2 \tau} e^{2\pi i n z}$$

is of order 2 as a function of  $z$ .

*Proof.* Let  $\rho$  be the order of growth. Let  $t = \text{Im}(\tau) > 0$ . We have,

$$|\Theta(z|\tau)| \leq \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} e^{\pi(-n^2 t + 2n|z|)}.$$

Note that,

$$\sum_{n=-\infty}^0 e^{\pi(-n^2 t + 2n|z|)} \leq \sum_{n=-\infty}^0 e^{\pi(-n^2 t)} = C_1.$$

Next, note that

$$-n^2 t + 2n|z| \leq \frac{1}{2} n^2 t$$

for  $|n| \geq \frac{4|z|}{3t}$ , so

$$\sum_{n \geq \frac{4|z|}{3t}} e^{\pi(-n^2 t + 2n|z|)} \leq \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} e^{\pi(-\frac{1}{2} n^2 t)} = C_2.$$

Therefore,

$$\begin{aligned} |\Theta(z|\tau)| &\leq C + \sum_{n=1}^{\lfloor \frac{4|z|}{3t} \rfloor} e^{\pi(-n^2 t + 2n|z|)} \\ &\leq C + \sum_{n=1}^{\lfloor \frac{4|z|}{3t} \rfloor} e^{2n\pi|z|} \\ &\leq C + \frac{4|z|}{3t} e^{\frac{8\pi}{3t}|z|^2}. \end{aligned}$$

Hence,  $\rho \leq 2$ . Finally, it can be seen easily (you may find a proof in tutorial 2) that

$$\Theta(z + n\tau|\tau) = e^{-\pi i n^2 \tau} \Theta(z|\tau).$$

hence  $\rho \geq 2$  provided we can find some  $z$  so that  $\Theta(z|\tau) \neq 0$ . Its existence can be seen by showing the Fourier coefficients of Jacobi Theta functions are nonzero, for example

$$\int_0^1 \Theta(t|\tau) dt = 1 \neq 0.$$

□

4. Find the Hadamard products for:

- (a)  $e^z - 1$
- (b)  $\cos(\pi z)$

*Proof.* We will make use of the Hadamard product for  $\sin z$ .

$$\sin z = z \prod_{n=1}^{\infty} \left( 1 - \frac{z^2}{(n\pi)^2} \right) = z \prod_{n \neq 0} E_1 \left( \frac{z}{n\pi} \right)$$

(a)

$$\begin{aligned} e^z - 1 &= -2ie^{\frac{z}{2}} \sin\left(i\frac{z}{2}\right) \\ &= -2ie^{\frac{z}{2}} \left(i\frac{z}{2}\right) \prod_{n \neq 0} E_1 \left( \frac{iz}{2n\pi} \right) \\ &= ze^{\frac{z}{2}} \prod_{n \neq 0} E_1 \left( \frac{z}{2n\pi i} \right) \end{aligned}$$

(b)

$$\begin{aligned} \cos(\pi z) &= \frac{\sin(2\pi z)}{2 \sin z} \\ &= \frac{2\pi z \prod_{n \neq 0} E_1 \left( \frac{2z}{n} \right)}{2\pi z \prod_{n \neq 0} E_1 \left( \frac{z}{n} \right)} \\ &= \prod_{n \in \mathbb{N}} E_1 \left( \frac{z}{n + \frac{1}{2}} \right) \end{aligned}$$

□

5. Deduce from Hadamard's theorem that if  $F$  is entire and of growth order  $\rho$  that is non-integral, then  $F$  has infinitely many zeros.

*Proof.* Suppose on the contrary that  $F$  finitely many zeroes and finite growth order  $\rho$ . Then by the Hadamard's theorem,

$$F(z) = P(z)e^{Q(z)}$$

for some polynomials  $P$  and  $Q$ . But then  $\rho$  must be an integer by question 1a) □