

**Mathematical Analysis I. Math-4200, Fall 2006**  
**Assignment 10**

**Due Thursday, November 30** (Either in class, or my mailbox in AE 301, or under my door AE 405).

**Reading:**

Nov. 13, 16 and 20: Sections 7.1-7.2.

Nov. 27: Section 7.3.

**Problems**

You are welcome to consult the text and notes and discuss the problems with other people. However, the solutions should be *yours*. Please indicated on your papers, who you discussed the problems with.

1. If  $f(x)$  is a continuous complex-valued function and  $f(x) \neq 0$  for any  $x$  in the domain, prove that  $1/f(x)$  is continuous (Problem 7.1.3 #3).

2. (Problem 7.1.3 #10).

(a) Use the triangle inequality to prove that

$$||z| - |z_1|| \leq |z - z_1|$$

(b) If  $z = x + iy$ ,  $z_1 = x_1 + iy_1$ , prove  $||z| - |z_1|| \leq |x - x_1| + |y - y_1|$ .

3. (Problem 7.2.4 #1). Give an example of two convergent series  $\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} x_k$  and  $\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} y_k$  such that  $\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} x_k y_k$  diverges. Prove that this cannot happen if one of the series converges absolutely.

4. (Problem 7.2.4 #3). Show that it is not true that for every error  $1/m$  there exists  $n$  such that  $|\sum_{k=1}^n r^k - r/(1-r)| < 1/m$  for all  $r$  in  $0 < r < 1$ .

5. Prove the root test (Theorem 7.2.3b).

**E9. (Extra credit).** Show that if  $\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} a_k$  is absolutely convergent, there exists an absolutely convergent series  $\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} b_k$  such that  $\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} a_k/b_k = 0$ . Explain why this result shows that there is no "universal" comparison series for testing absolute convergence.