MATH 4X03: Home Assignment # 5

Due to: November 21, 2000

Problem 1: Find the location of the branch points and discuss possible branch cuts for the following functions:

(a)
$$f(z) = \frac{1}{(z-1)^{1/2}}$$

(b)
$$f(z) = (z + 1 - 2i)^{1/4}$$

(c) $f(z) = 2 \log z^2$

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Problem 2: Find the location of the branch points and discuss possible branch cuts for the following functions:

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$$f(z) = ((z-1)(z-2))^{1/3}$$

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Problem 3: The function f(z) is defined in the domain |z| < 1 by the Taylor series

$$f(z) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{z^n}{n}$$

Find the analytic continuation of the function to the domain |z| > 1.

Problem 4: Discuss all (isolated and non-isolated) singularities of the following functions:

(a)
$$f(z) = \frac{\log(z+1)}{(z-1)}$$

(b)
$$f(z) = \frac{z^{1/3} - 1}{z - 1}$$

Problem 5: Use the keyhole contour to find the following integrals on the principal branch of the function z^k :

(a)
$$\int_0^\infty \frac{x^{k-1}}{(x+a)} dx$$
(b)
$$\int_0^\infty \frac{x^{1/2}}{(1+x^2)} dx$$

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