

**Problem assignment 1**  
**Functions of Complex Variable 2**

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1. Define the integral  $\int_0^\infty x^\lambda e^{ix} dx$  and compute its value as a function of  $\lambda$ .
2. Prove that  $\sum_{n \geq 1} \frac{1}{n^2} = \frac{\pi^2}{6}$ .
3. Compute the logarithmic derivative  $\Gamma'/\Gamma$  at points  $z = 1, 2, 3, \dots$ .
4. (i) Let  $f$  be a non zero meromorphic function on  $\mathbf{C}$ . Show that its logarithmic derivative  $g = f'/f$  is a meromorphic function with poles of first order and integral residues.  
(ii) Conversely show that any meromorphic function  $g$  with poles of first order and integral residues is a logarithmic derivative of a meromorphic function.
5. Let  $f, g$  be entire functions.  
(i) Show that they have gcd (greatest common divisor)  $h$ . This means that  $f$  and  $g$  are divided by  $h$  and  $h$  divides any other entire function  $u$  with this property.  
(ii) Show that there exist entire functions  $A, B$  such that  $h = Af + Bg$ .
6. Let  $f, g$  be entire functions of order  $\rho$ .  
(i) Show that  $f + g$  and  $fg$  are entire functions of order  $\rho$ .  
(ii) Show that if the function  $h = f/g$  is entire then it is also of order  $\rho$ .
7. (i) Compute the function  $\prod_{n=1}^\infty (1 + \frac{z^4}{n^4})$   
(ii) Show that  $e^z - 1 = ze^{z/2} \prod_{n=1}^\infty (1 + \frac{z^2}{4\pi^2 n^2})$
8. Let  $f = f(z)$  be an entire function that has no more than exponential growth, i.e.  $|f(z)| \leq C \exp(C|z|)$ . Suppose we also know that it is periodic with period 1.  
Show that  $f$  is a polynomial of the function  $q = \exp(2\pi iz)$ .