

# Math 255 Homework 4

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5.4 Let  $R$  be a compact connected Riemann surface. Suppose that there is a nonconstant holomorphic function  $f : R \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ . Then  $f$  extends to a holomorphic function to  $\mathbb{P}^1$ , which by Exercise 5.3 is surjective. Hence the image of  $f$  must contain  $\infty$ , which is a contradiction.

5.9 Let  $f : \mathbb{C} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$  be a holomorphic doubly periodic function, with periods  $\omega_1, \omega_2$ , and let  $\Lambda = \{n\omega_1 + m\omega_2 : n, m \in \mathbb{Z}\}$ . By Example 5.42,  $f$  corresponds to a holomorphic function  $h : \mathbb{C}/\Lambda \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ . Since  $\mathbb{C}/\Lambda$  is a compact connected Riemann surface, Exercise 5.4 implies that  $h$  is constant. So  $f$  must also be constant.

5.10 Let  $\tilde{\varphi} : \mathbb{C}/\Lambda \rightarrow \mathbb{P}^1$  be defined by  $\tilde{\varphi}(\Lambda + z) = \wp(z)$ . Consider the holomorphic atlas on  $\mathbb{P}^1$  given by the charts  $\psi_1 : W_1 \rightarrow \mathbb{C}, \psi_2 : W_2 \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ , where  $W_1 = \mathbb{P}^1 - \{\infty\}$  and  $W_2 = \mathbb{P}^1 - \{0\}$ , such that  $\psi_1[x, y] = x/y$  and  $\psi_2[x, y] = y/x$  (see Example 5.40(d)).

Let  $\pi : \mathbb{C} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}/\Lambda$  be the map  $z \mapsto \Lambda + z$ . Consider the holomorphic charts on  $\mathbb{C}/\Lambda$  given by  $\phi_\alpha = (\pi|_{U_\alpha})^{-1} : \pi(U_\alpha) \rightarrow U_\alpha$ , like in Example 5.42.

For  $\Lambda + z \in \mathbb{C}/\Lambda$ , take holomorphic charts  $\phi_\alpha, \psi_i$  such that  $\Lambda + z \in U_\alpha$  and  $\tilde{\varphi}(\Lambda + z) \in W_i$ . To show that  $\tilde{\varphi}$  is holomorphic, we check that  $\psi_i \circ \tilde{\varphi} \circ \phi_\alpha^{-1} : \phi_\alpha(U_\alpha \cap \tilde{\varphi}^{-1}(W_i)) \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$  is holomorphic. Observe that  $\tilde{\varphi} \circ \phi_\alpha^{-1} = \tilde{\varphi} \circ \pi = \wp$ , and  $U_\alpha \cap \tilde{\varphi}^{-1}(W_i)$  is the set of points in  $U_\alpha$  which are not in  $\Lambda$ , so  $\wp$  is holomorphic on  $\pi^{-1}(U_\alpha \cap \tilde{\varphi}^{-1}(W_i)) = \phi_\alpha(U_\alpha \cap \tilde{\varphi}^{-1}(W_i))$ , hence  $\psi_i \circ \tilde{\varphi} \circ \phi_\alpha^{-1}$  is holomorphic. Thus  $\tilde{\varphi}$  is holomorphic.

Let  $f(z) = (\wp(z) - \wp(\frac{1}{2}\omega_1))(\wp(z) - \wp(\frac{1}{2}\omega_2))(\wp(z) - \wp(\frac{1}{2}\omega_1 + \frac{1}{2}\omega_2))$  and let  $g(z) = f(z)/\wp'(z)^2$ . Since  $\wp, \wp'$  have poles of order 2 and 3 respectively at every  $z \in \Lambda$ , and no other poles, hence  $g$  is holomorphic at each  $z \in \Lambda$ . For  $z \in \frac{1}{2}\Lambda - \Lambda$ , by Lemma 5.13,  $\wp(z) = \wp(\frac{1}{2}\omega_1)$  or  $\wp(\frac{1}{2}\omega_2)$  or  $\wp(\frac{1}{2}\omega_1 + \frac{1}{2}\omega_2)$ . So  $f$  has zeros at each  $z \in \frac{1}{2}\Lambda - \Lambda$ , and these zeros have order 2. Since  $\wp'$  has a simple zero at each of these points, hence  $g$  is holomorphic at each  $z \in \frac{1}{2}\Lambda - \Lambda$ . Thus  $g$  is holomorphic on  $\mathbb{C}$ , since  $\wp'$  has no other zeros.  $g$  is also doubly periodic since  $\wp, \wp'$  are doubly periodic.

By Exercise 5.9,  $g$  is constant, so  $g(z) = c$  for some constant  $c$ . Thus  $\wp'(z)^2 = \frac{1}{c}f(z) = Q(\wp(z))$ , where  $Q(x) = \frac{1}{c}(x - \wp(\frac{1}{2}\omega_1))(x - \wp(\frac{1}{2}\omega_2))(x - \wp(\frac{1}{2}\omega_1 + \frac{1}{2}\omega_2))$  is a cubic polynomial.

5.12 Consider the polynomial  $f = 4x^3 - g_2(\Lambda)x - g_3(\Lambda)$ . By the proof of Lemma 5.20,  $f$  has distinct roots. Hence the discriminant of  $f$ , which is  $g_2(\Lambda)^3 - 27g_3(\Lambda)^2$ , is nonzero.

5.14 Suppose that there is a projective transformation of  $\mathbb{P}^2$  given by a diagonal matrix taking  $C$  to  $\tilde{C}$ , then this transformation is of the form  $x \mapsto ax, y \mapsto by, z \mapsto cz$  for  $a, b, c \neq 0$ . We can assume  $c = 1$  since this is a projective transformation. Substituting this into the equation for  $C$ , we get  $b^2y^2z = 4a^3x^3 - g_2axz^2 - g_3z^3$ . Comparing this with the equation for  $\tilde{C}$ , we get  $a^3 = b^2, g_2a = b^2\tilde{g}_2$  and  $g_3 = b^2\tilde{g}_3$ . We reparameterize this by letting  $a = u^2$ , then  $b = u^3$ , and  $g_2 = u^4\tilde{g}_2, g_3 = u^6\tilde{g}_3$ . So  $J(C) = \frac{u^{12}\tilde{g}_2}{u^{12}\tilde{g}_2 - 27u^{12}\tilde{g}_3} = J(\tilde{C})$ .

Conversely, suppose  $J(C) = J(\tilde{C})$ . Then  $g_2^3\tilde{g}_3^2 = \tilde{g}_2^2g_3^2$ , so for some nonzero  $u$  we can write  $(g_3/\tilde{g}_3)^2 = (g_2/\tilde{g}_2)^3 = u^{12}$ . Consider a projective transformation of the form  $x \mapsto u^2x, y \mapsto u^3y$ ; this is given by a diagonal matrix. Then the equation of  $C$  is mapped to  $y^2z = 4x - (g_2/u^4)xz^2 - (g_3/u^6)z^3 = 4x - \tilde{g}_2xz^2 - \tilde{g}_3z^3$ , so this transformation takes  $C$  to  $\tilde{C}$ .

- 5.18 (i) Since  $C$  is nonsingular, there is no point  $[x, y, z] \in C$  such that  $\frac{\partial P}{\partial x} = \frac{\partial P}{\partial y} = \frac{\partial P}{\partial z} = 0$ , so the image of  $C$  is in  $\mathbb{P}^2$  and is well-defined. Euler's relation implies that the points in the image satisfy  $x\frac{\partial P}{\partial x} + y\frac{\partial P}{\partial y} + z\frac{\partial P}{\partial z} = 0$ , so the image is defined by a homogeneous polynomial and is a projective curve.
- (ii) Let  $C$  be a conic, with defining equation  $P(x, y, z) = a_1x^2 + a_2xy + a_3xz + a_4y^2 + a_5yz + a_6z^2 = 0$ . Then  $\frac{\partial P}{\partial x} = 2a_1x + a_2y + a_3z$ ,  $\frac{\partial P}{\partial y} = a_2x + 2a_4y + a_5z$ ,  $\frac{\partial P}{\partial z} = a_3x + a_5y + 2a_6z$ , so the polar mapping is linear and is a projective transformation. Hence the dual curve is also a nonsingular conic.
- (iii) The polar mapping from  $C$  to  $\tilde{C}$  is defined by polynomials and so is holomorphic. Suppose the degree of  $C$  is at least 3. By Proposition 3.33(ii),  $C$  has at least one point of inflection. Since points of inflection correspond to cusps on the dual curve, hence  $\tilde{C}$  has a cusp, and so there is no holomorphic inverse.