Solutions 4

Question 1

By our assumption g is continuously real-differentiable. The second CR equation for g = U + iV, $U = u_x$, $V = -u_y$ reads

$$\frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial y \partial x} = \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x \partial y}$$

which is the equality of the mixed partials and holds by the C^2 assumption on u. The first equation

$$\frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x^2} = -\frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial y^2}$$

is the harmonic condition.

For the last part, if u + iv is holomorphic, then

$$g = \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} - i\frac{\partial u}{\partial y} = \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} + i\frac{\partial v}{\partial x} = f'$$

as desired.

Question 2

For $u = x^3 - 3xy^2$ we have $\partial u/\partial x - i\partial u\partial y = 3x^2 - 3y^2 + 6ixy = 3(x + iy)^2 = 3z^2$, which is the derivative of $f(z) = z^3$. By Problem 1, the harmonic conjugate of u is the imaginary part $3x^2y - y^3$ of z^3 .

For part (b), it helps to spot $\operatorname{Re}(\overline{z}^2)$ in the numerator! So the function is

$$\operatorname{Re}\left(\frac{\bar{z}^2}{|z|^4}\right) = \operatorname{Re}\left(\frac{1}{z^2}\right)$$

and the harmonic conjugate is the imaginary part of the same.

Question 3

We can factor out z/3 to write the series as

$$\frac{z}{3}\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \left(\frac{3-z}{3}\right)^n$$

and the geometric series we see is absolutely convergent for $|(3-z)/3| < 1 \Leftrightarrow |z-3| < 3$ and divergent for $|z-3| \ge 3$. It converges uniformly on any strictly smaller disk centered at z = 3. So our original series is also absolutely convergent in that open disk, and uniformly convergent on any smaller disk: the factor z can be bounded above by the constant 6 so does not spoil the absolute or uniform convergence.

However, the original series also converges at z = 0, because all the terms vanish.

Question 4

(a) $|x| \leq 1$ because $\sum \frac{1}{n^2}$ converges; (b) |x| < 2 pretty clear; (c) any x, ratio test or comparison test with $\sum \frac{y^n}{n!}$ by setting $y = \sqrt{|x|}$; (d) x = 0 only, ratio test.

Question 5

We have $\lim_{n\to\infty} (n^n)^{1/n} = \lim_{n\to\infty} n = \infty$, so R = 0 by Hadamard. Now $\lim_{n\to\infty} (n^2)^{1/n} = (\lim_{n\to\infty} n^{1/n})^2 = 1$ because $\frac{1}{n} \log n \to 0$, by l'Hôpital say, so R = 1. We write

$$\begin{split} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} n^2 z^n &= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} n(n-1) z^n + \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} n z^n = z^2 \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} n(n-1) z^{n-2} + z \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} n z^{n-1} = \\ &= z^2 \frac{d^2}{dz^2} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} z^n + z \frac{d}{dz} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} z^n = z^2 \frac{d^2}{dz^2} \frac{1}{1-z} + z \frac{d}{dz} \frac{1}{1-z} = \frac{z+z^2}{(1-z)^3} \end{split}$$

Remark: You can also get the radii of convergence by using the ratio test.

Question 6

Using the triangle inequality, it suffices to show that we can keep $|z^k \sum_{n \ge k} a_n z^{n-k}| < |a_0|$, for small |z|. If r is the radius of convergence of the series, then $|a_n|\rho^n \to 0$ for any $\rho < r$. Keeping $|z| < \rho/2$ say, we get $|a_n z^{n-k}| < C/2^n$ for all $n \ge k$ and some constant C. Then, $\sum_{n \ge k} |a_n z^{n-k}| < 2C$. Confine now z so that, in addition to the above, $2C \cdot |z|^k < |a_0|$.

Question 7

$$\frac{1-z}{1+z} \cdot \frac{1+z}{1-z} = 1.$$

and that product has infinite radius of convergence. But the series expansions for each of the two factors near z = 0 (which you can derive easily from the geometric series) has radius of convergence 1.