Examination 1

Instructions: Please write your solutions on your own paper. These problems should be treated as essay questions to answer in complete sentences.

1. Find all values of the complex variable z for which

$$\left(\operatorname{Re}(z)\right)^4 = \operatorname{Re}(z^4).$$

- 2. When the letter z represents a complex variable, is it valid to say that $\lim_{z \to \infty} (z + \overline{z}) = \infty$? Explain why or why not.
- 3. Suppose f is an analytic function on $\mathbb{C} \setminus \{0\}$, and the real part of f(z) equals $\frac{\sin(2\theta)}{r^2}$ in standard polar coordinates. (As usual, r = |z|, and $\theta = \arg(z)$.) Find a concrete expression for f as a function of the variable z.
- 4. Suppose that c_n is a complex number for each natural number *n*, and the power series $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} c_n z^n$ has radius of convergence equal to 4. What can you say about the radius of convergence of the power series $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} c_n^2 z^n$? Explain how you know.
- 5. Suppose *r* is a positive real number, and $\gamma_r(t) = re^{it}$ when $0 \le t \le \pi$. (This path is a half circle in the upper half-plane.) Is the path integral $\int_{\gamma_r} \frac{1}{z} dz$ independent of the value of *r*? Explain why or why not.
- 6. The diagram shows a mapping of a square by some analytic function f. (The dashed lines represent the coordinate axes.) Assuming that the value of a is chosen suitably, can f(z) be equal to 1/z? or z^2 ? or e^z ? or must f(z) be something else? Explain how you know.

