

**ECE 301 (Section 001) Homework 2**  
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**Problem 1** (20 pts) (Complex Numbers)

- a) Evaluate and give the answer in both rectangular and polar form. In all cases, assume that  $z_1 = 1 + j4$  and  $z_2 = -2 + j$ . As usual,  $z^*$  is the complex conjugate of  $z$ .

(i) $z_1^*$	(ii) $z_2^2$	(iii) $z_1 + z_2^*$
(iv) $jz_2/z_1^2$	(v) $z_1^{-1}$	(vi) $z_1/(z_2 + z_1)$
(vii) $e^{z_2}$	(viii) $z_1 z_1^* z_2 z_2^*$	(ix) $z_1 z_2$

- b) Simplify the following numbers into the rectangular form:

i)  $e^{j7\pi}$   
 ii)  $e^{j\pi/3}$   
 iii)  $e^{j13\pi/3}$   
 iv)  $e^{j2023\pi} - e^{j2022\pi}$

**Problem 2** (20 pts) (Complex Variable and Function)

- a) Let  $z = re^{j\theta}$ ,  $r \geq 0$ ,  $\theta \in \mathbb{R}$ , be any complex variable. Show that:

(i)  $zz^* = r^2$   
 (ii)  $z - z^* = 2j r \sin \theta$   
 (iii)  $(e^z)^* = e^{z^*}$   
 (iv)  $z/z^* = e^{j2\theta}$

- b) The following complex function  $H(\omega)$  is given:

$$H(\omega) = \frac{3}{2 + j\omega}, \quad -\infty < \omega < \infty.$$

Determine and sketch the magnitude and phase of  $H(\omega)$ .

**Problem 3** (20 pts) (Geometric Series) Prove the validity of the following expressions:

- a) For  $\alpha \in \mathbb{R}$  :

$$S_N = \sum_{n=0}^{N-1} \alpha^n = \begin{cases} N, & \alpha = 1, \\ \frac{1-\alpha^N}{1-\alpha}, & \alpha \neq 1. \end{cases}$$

(Hint: Try  $S_N - \alpha S_N$ .)

b) For  $|\alpha| < 1$  :

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \alpha^n = \frac{1}{1 - \alpha}.$$

c) For  $|\alpha| < 1$  :

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} n\alpha^n = \frac{\alpha}{(1 - \alpha)^2}.$$

(Hint: What happens if you differentiate  $S_N$  with respect to  $\alpha$ ?)

d) For  $a, b \in \mathbb{N}$ ,  $\alpha \in \mathbb{R}$ , and  $a \leq b$ , simplify the following summation:

$$S_{a:b} = \sum_{n=a}^b \alpha^n.$$

(Hint: Use the expression of  $S_N$  in part a) and express  $S_{a:b}$  as the difference between two geometric sums.)

**Problem 4** (20 pts) (Logarithms and Integration)

a) Please simplify the following expressions as much as possible to arrive at primitive log expressions such as  $\log_{10}(2)$ ,  $\log_2(\pi)$ ,  $\log_2(3)$ , and then use your calculator to evaluate the final numerical results, if applicable.

(i)  $\log_{10}(320,000)$

(ii)  $\log_2(4\pi^2/30)$

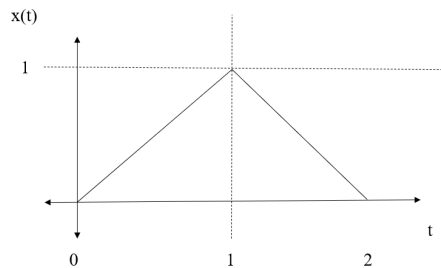
(iii)  $\log(a^{x^2})$

b) A signal  $y(t)$  has power that is 195,000,000,000 times bigger than a signal  $x(t)$ . What is this power ratio  $P_y/P_x$  in decibels?

c) Compute the following integral:

$$y(t) = \int_0^t x(\tau) d\tau, \quad t \geq 0. \quad (1)$$

A graph of  $x(t)$  is given below. The line segments are straight with  $x(0) = 0$ ,  $x(1) = 1$ , and  $x(2) = 0$ . Note that your solution will be a piecewise function.



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