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Complex Analysis Comprehensive Examination
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1. (a) Prove that a nonconstant holomorphic mapping is *open* (i.e., the image of every open set is open).
(b) Let U, V denote domains in \mathbb{C} and let $f : U \rightarrow V$ be a holomorphic mapping. Suppose that f is *proper* (i.e., $f^{-1}(K)$ is compact, for every compact subset K of V). Prove that $f(U) = V$.
(c) Is the assertion in (a) true if “holomorphic” is replaced by “continuous”? Explain.
2. Let \mathcal{A} denote the set of all holomorphic functions $f(z)$ on the open unit disk $D = \{|z| < 1\}$ such that $f(0) = 1$ and $\operatorname{Re} f > 0$.

(a) Show that, if $f \in \mathcal{A}$, then

$$\frac{1 - |z|}{1 + |z|} \leq |f(z)| \leq \frac{1 + |z|}{1 - |z|}.$$

(Hint. Schwarz’s Lemma.)

(b) Prove that \mathcal{A} is a normal family.

(c) How large can $|f'(0)|$ be?

3. Use residues to show that

$$\int_0^1 \frac{dx}{\sqrt[3]{x^2 - x^3}} = \frac{2\pi}{\sqrt{3}}.$$

4. (a) Give an example of a nonconstant meromorphic function on \mathbb{C} that omits *two* values.
(b) Use Picard’s little theorem (for entire functions) to prove *Picard’s little theorem for meromorphic functions*: Every meromorphic function on \mathbb{C} that omits three distinct values is constant.