

### Math 504: Complex variables (Spring, 2000)

I'll try to verify the following statements:

- If  $g$  is smooth in  $U$ , open in  $\mathbb{C}$ , then  $\frac{\partial f}{\partial \bar{z}} = g$  has a solution  $f$  also smooth in  $U$ .
- Any non-compact Riemann surface has a non-constant holomorphic function.
- Any compact Riemann surface has a non-constant meromorphic function.

**Text** (optional) *Lectures on Riemann Surfaces* by Otto Forster, Springer-Verlag, 1981/4. There are other fine books on Riemann surfaces. The contents of this one are closest to what I hope to do. It is well-written and covers many interesting additional topics.

**Background** The standard first semester course in complex analysis (Math 503). Other ideas from analysis and differential geometry will be helpful but not necessary.

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