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Answers to the Second Exam

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(16) 1. Use the Residue Theorem to compute $\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{dx}{(1+x^2)^2}$

Answer We apply the Residue Theorem to the function $f(z) = \frac{1}{(1+z^2)^2}$ on the simple closed curve $I_R + S_R$, where $I_R = [-R, R]$ is an interval on the real axis, and S_R is the upper semicircle: |z| = R and $\operatorname{Im} z \ge 0$. The curve is oriented counterclockwise, and R > 1. f(z) has isolated -R I_R R is singularities at $\pm i$, and since $f(z) = \frac{1}{(z-i)^2(z+i)^2}$, the isolated singularities are poles of order 2. The singularity at i is inside the closed curve. If we write $f(z) = \frac{H(z)}{(z-i)^2}$, then the residue of f(z) at z = i is just H'(i) since H(z) = H(i) + H'(i)(z-i) + higher order terms. Here $H(z) = \frac{1}{(z+i)^2}$ so $H'(z) = \frac{-2}{(z+i)^3}$ and $H'(i) = \frac{1}{4i}$. As $R \to \infty$, $\int_{I_R} f(z) dz \to \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{dx}{(1+x^2)^2}$. If |z| = R, $|1 + z^2| \ge R^2 - 1$ so that for R > 1, $|\int_{S_R} f(z) dz| \le \pi R \cdot \frac{1}{(R^2-1)^2}$ by the ML inequality. Therefore as $R \to \infty$, $\int_{S_R} f(z) dz \to 0$. When R > 1, the Residue Theorem shows that $\int_{I_R+S_R} f(z) dz = 2\pi i \cdot \frac{1}{4i} = \frac{\pi}{2}$. As $R \to \infty$, we see that $\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{dx}{(1+x^2)^2} = \frac{\pi}{2}$.

(16) 2. Find R > 0 so that all roots of the polynomial $P(z) = z^5 + 12z^4 - (1+i)z^2 + 9z - 3$ are inside the circle |z| = R.

Answer Take R = 100, $f(z) = z^5$, and $g(z) = 12z^4 - (1+i)z^2 + 9z - 3$. For |z| = 100, $|f(z)| = 10^{10}$ while $|g(z)| \leq 12|z|^4 + \sqrt{2}|z|^2 + 9|z| + 3 \leq 10^8(12 + \sqrt{2} + 9 + 3) < 10^{10}$. We use Rouché's Theorem: f(z) and f(z) + g(z) = P(z) must have the same number of zeros inside the circle |z| = 100. But f(z) has a zero of multiplicity 5 at 0. So P(z) must have five zeros inside |z| = 100 and P(z), a polynomial of degree 5, can have at most five zeros.

- (16) 3. Use the Residue Theorem to compute $\int_0^{2\pi} \frac{d\theta}{5+3\cos\theta}$. **Answer** Since $\cos\theta = \frac{e^{i\theta} + e^{-i\theta}}{2}$, $\int_0^{2\pi} \frac{d\theta}{5+3\cos\theta} = \int_0^{2\pi} \frac{2e^{i\theta}}{10e^{i\theta} + 3(e^{i\theta})^2 + 3} d\theta$. If $z = e^{i\theta}$ so $dz = ie^{i\theta} d\theta$, the definite integral is recognized as a parameterization of a line integral around the unit circle, |z| = 1: $\frac{1}{i} \int_{|z|=1} \frac{2}{3z^2 + 10z + 3} dz$. $3z^2 + 10z + 3 = 0$ when $z = \frac{-10 \pm \sqrt{100 - 36}}{6} = \frac{-10 \pm 8}{6}$. The integrand has isolated singularities which are both poles of order 1 at -3 and at $-\frac{1}{3}$. To use the Residue Theorem, we need the residue inside |z| = 1. Since $\frac{2}{3z^2 + 10z + 3} = \frac{2}{3(z + \frac{1}{3})(z + 3)}$ the residue of the integrand at $-\frac{1}{3}$ is $\frac{2}{3(z + 3)}$ at $z = -\frac{1}{3}$, which is $\frac{1}{4}$. Then the Residue Theorem gives the value of the desired integral: $2\pi i \cdot \frac{1}{i} \cdot \frac{1}{4} = \frac{\pi}{2}$.
- (14) 4. Suppose $Q(z) = \frac{(e^z 1)^2}{z^4}$. Identify as precisely as possible the type of the isolated singularity at 0 of Q(z): is it removable, a pole, or essential? If it is a pole, find the order of the pole. Find the first two non-zero terms of the Laurent series of Q(z) at 0. Find the residue of Q(z) at 0.

Answer We know $e^z = 1 + z + \frac{z^2}{2} + higher order terms so that <math>\frac{(e^z - 1)^2}{z^4} = \frac{\left(z + \frac{z^2}{2} + h.o.t.\right)^2}{z^4} = \frac{z^2 + z^3 + h.o.t.}{z^4} = \frac{1}{z^2} + \frac{1}{z} + h.o.t.$ and we can read off the answers: Q(z) has a pole of order 2 at 0, its Laurent series begins $\frac{1}{z^2} + \frac{1}{z}$, and its residue at 0 is 1.

(12) 5. Suppose f(z) is an entire function (analytic in the whole plane) and that $|f(z)| \le |e^z|$ for all complex numbers z. Show that there must be a complex number C with $|C| \le 1$ so that $f(z) = Ce^z$ for all z.

Answer Since e^z is never 0, $F(z) = \frac{f(z)}{e^z}$ is an entire function. The hypotheses say that $|F(z)| \leq 1$ for all z. Liouville's Theorem implies that F(z) is constant, and it must be a constant C with $|C| \leq 1$. So $\frac{f(z)}{e^z} = C$ for all z, and $f(z) = Ce^z$ for all z, as desired.

(14) 6. a) Compute $\int_{|z|=1} \frac{e^z}{z} dz$ using any applicable theorem.

Answer We could use the Residue Theorem again, but the Cauchy Integral Formula for z = 0 also applies. The result is $2\pi i$ multiplied by the value of e^z at z = 0. This value is just 1, so the integral's value is $2\pi i$.

b) Use the answer given for part a) to find the exact values of $\int_0^{2\pi} e^{\cos\theta} \cos(\sin\theta) d\theta$ and of $\int_0^{2\pi} e^{\cos\theta} \sin(\sin\theta) d\theta$.

Answer If $z = e^{i\theta}$, $e^z = e^{\left(e^{i\theta}\right)} = e^{\cos\theta + i\sin\theta} = e^{\cos\theta}e^{i\sin\theta} = e^{\cos\theta}\left(\cos(\sin\theta) + i\sin(\sin\theta)\right)$. Also $dz = ie^{i\theta} d\theta$ so that $\frac{dz}{z} = \frac{ie^{i\theta} d\theta}{e^{i\theta}} = i d\theta$. Therefore $\int_{|z|=1} \frac{e^z}{z} dz = \int_0^{2\pi} e^{\cos\theta} \left(\cos(\sin\theta) + i\sin(\sin\theta)\right) d\theta$. Part a) tells us this is $2\pi i$. We see that $\int_0^{2\pi} e^{\cos\theta} \cos(\sin\theta) d\theta = 2\pi$ and $\int_0^{2\pi} e^{\cos\theta} \sin(\sin\theta) d\theta = 0$ by separating the real and imaginary parts. This is consistent with Maple's approximations.

Comment The versions of Maple I have at home can't compute this integral symbolically, but the latest version at Rutgers can.

- (12) 7. The following information is known about a function, F(z):
 - i) F(z) is defined and analytic for all $z \neq 0$.
 - ii) F(i) = 3.
 - iii) For all positive integers, $n, F(\frac{1}{n}) = 0$.

a) What kind of isolated singularity must F(z) have at 0? Explain your answer.

Answer If 0 were a pole then $|F(\frac{1}{n})| \to \infty$ as $n \to \infty$ and this is false by iii). If 0 were a removable singularity, then $F(0) = \lim_{n \to \infty} F(\frac{1}{n}) = 0$. If this is true, F(z) with the value 0 at z = 0 would be entire. Then F(z) would be 0 on a sequence with a limit point. Such a function would need to be 0 *everywhere* by the Identity Theorem ("Two functions analytic in a connected open set which agree on a set with a limit point must actually agree everywhere in the set."), but this would contradict ii), that F(i) = 3. The only alternative is that F(z) has an essential singularity at z = 0.

b) What is the radius of convergence of the Taylor series expansion centered at z = i of the function F(z)? Explain your answer.

Answer The radius of convergence is at least 1, because F(z) is certainly analytic in a disc of radius 1 centered at *i*. If the radius of convergence were larger than 1, the sum would represent an analytic function agreeing with F(z) in an open disc, and therefore agreeing with F(z) for all $z \neq 0$ in the disc (using the Identity Theorem again). Then F(z) would have a removable singularity at 0 because the Taylor series would behave like an analytic function near 0. Since F(z) has an essential singularity at 0, this is impossible. So the radius of convergence must be exactly 1.