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HOMEWORK 4

Collaborators*: TODO

*Listed in no particular order. And anyone I discussed at least part of one problem with is considered a collaborator.

1: From A&F: 2.4.2 c, e. Evaluate the integral $\oint_C f(z)dz$, where C is the unit circle enclosing the origin, and f(z) is given as follows: c)

$$f(z) = \frac{1}{\bar{z}}$$

Solution:

We want to evaluate

$$\oint_C \frac{1}{\bar{z}} \mathrm{d}z$$

on the parameterized unit circle $z=\mathrm{e}^{i\theta}$ where $\theta\in[0,2\pi)$, where $\bar{z}=\mathrm{e}^{-i\theta}$ on the unit circle. Note, before we do the substitution we need $\mathrm{d}z=i\,\mathrm{e}^{i\theta}\,\mathrm{d}\theta$. Now our integral is

$$\begin{split} \oint_C \frac{1}{z} \mathrm{d}z &= \oint_0^{2\pi} \frac{1}{\mathrm{e}^{-i\theta}} i \, \mathrm{e}^{i\theta} \, \mathrm{d}\theta \\ &= \oint_0^{2\pi} i \, \mathrm{e}^{2i\theta} \, \mathrm{d}\theta \\ &= \left(\frac{1}{2} \, \mathrm{e}^{2i\theta}\right)_0^{2\pi} \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \, \mathrm{e}^{4\pi i} - \frac{1}{2} \, \mathrm{e}^0 \\ &= \frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{2} \\ &= 0 \end{split}$$

e)

$$f(z) = e^{\bar{z}}$$

Solution:

We will use the same substitutions from the previous part

$$\oint_C e^{\overline{z}} dz = \oint_0^{2\pi} e^{e^{-i\theta}} i e^{i\theta} d\theta$$

$$= \oint_0^{2\pi} \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} \frac{\left(e^{-i\theta}\right)^j}{j!} i e^{i\theta} d\theta$$

$$= \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} \oint_0^{2\pi} i \frac{\left(e^{-i\theta}\right)^j}{j!} e^{i\theta} d\theta.$$

We are justified in reordering the integral of the infinite sum to be the infinite sum of the integrals since the original series converges absolutely. I will now just look at the integral inside the sum

$$\oint_{0}^{2\pi} i \frac{(e^{-i\theta})^{j}}{j!} e^{i\theta} d\theta = \oint_{0}^{2\pi} i \frac{e^{-i\theta j} e^{i\theta}}{j!} d\theta
= \oint_{0}^{2\pi} i \frac{e^{-i\theta j + i\theta}}{j!} d\theta
= \oint_{0}^{2\pi} i \frac{e^{i\theta(-j+1)}}{j!} d\theta
= \oint_{0}^{2\pi} \frac{i e^{i\theta(1-j)}}{j!} d\theta
= \frac{1}{1-j} \frac{i e^{i\theta(1-j)}}{j!} \Big|_{0}^{2\pi}
= \frac{1}{1-j} \frac{i e^{i2\pi(1-j)}}{j!} - \frac{1}{1-j} \frac{i e^{0}}{j!}
= \frac{i}{(1-j)j!} \left(e^{i2\pi(1-j)} - 1 \right)
= \frac{i}{(1-j)j!} (1-1)
= 0.$$

I want to clarify why $e^{i2\pi(1-j)}=1$. Since $j\in\{1,2,3,...\}$, then 1-j is an integer and we have $e^{i2\pi\ell}$ where $\ell\in\mathbb{Z}$ which is always 1.

2: From A&F: 2.4.4 a, b. Use the principal branch where the argument is in $[-\pi, \pi)$. Discuss any ambiguities. Use the principal branch of $\log(z)$ and $z^{\frac{1}{2}}$ where the argument is in $[-\pi, \pi)$ to evaluate the following:

$$\int_{-1}^{1} \log z dz$$

Solution:

We want to parameterize this once again using $z = r e^{i\theta}$ where $\theta \in [-\pi, \pi)$. Now our

integral is

$$\int_{-1}^{1} \log z dz = \int_{-\pi}^{0} \log (e^{i\theta}) i e^{i\theta} d\theta$$
$$= \int_{-\pi}^{0} i\theta i e^{i\theta} d\theta.$$

Let's use integration by parts, woohoo! We will assign the substitutions as follows:

$$u = i\theta$$
$$du = id\theta$$

$$dv = i e^{i\theta} d\theta$$
$$v = e^{i\theta}.$$

Plugging this in we have

$$\int_{-\pi}^{0} i\theta i e^{i\theta} d\theta = i\theta e^{i\theta} \Big|_{-\pi}^{0} - \int_{-\pi}^{0} i e^{i\theta} d\theta$$

$$= (-i\pi e^{-i\pi} - 0) - e^{i\theta} \Big|_{-\pi}^{0}$$

$$= -i\pi e^{-i\pi} - (e^{-i\pi} - e^{0})$$

$$= i\pi - (e^{-i\pi} - 1)$$

$$= i\pi - (-1 - 1)$$

$$= i\pi + 2$$

This is weird **TODO**.

b)

$$\int_{-1}^{1} z^{\frac{1}{2}} \mathrm{d}z$$

Solution:

3: From A&F: 2.4.7

Let C be an open (upper) semicircle of radius R with its center at the origin, and consider $\int_C f(z) dz$. Let $f(z) = \frac{1}{z^2 + a^2}$ for a real a > 0. Show that $|f(z)| \leq \frac{1}{R^2 - a^2}$, R > a, and

$$\left| \int_C f(z)dz \right| \le \frac{\pi R}{R^2 - a^2}, \quad R > a.$$

Solution:

4: From A&F: 2.4.8

Let C be an arc of the circle |z| = R(R > 1) of angle $\frac{\pi}{3}$. Show that

$$\left| \int_C \frac{\mathrm{d}z}{z^3 + 1} \right| \le \frac{\pi}{3} \left(\frac{R}{R^3 - 1} \right)$$

and deduce

$$\lim_{R \to \infty} \int_C \frac{\mathrm{d}z}{z^3 + 1} = 0$$

Solution:

5: From A&F: 2.5.1 b, e

Evaluate $\oint_C f(z)dz$, where C is the unit circle centered at the origin, and f(z) is given by the following:

b)

$$f(z) = e^{z^2}$$

Solution:

e)

$$f(z) = \frac{1}{2z^2 + 1}$$

Solution:

6: Use the ideas from A&F: 2.5.5 to evaluate $\int_0^\infty \mathrm{e}^{\mathrm{i}z^3t}\,\mathrm{d}z$, t>0. Express the result in terms of $\int_0^\infty \mathrm{e}^{-r^3}\,\mathrm{d}r$.

The ideas we might need to use are ... it's actually really long! Solution:

7: From A&F: 2.5.6.

Consider the integral

$$I = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{\mathrm{d}x}{x^2 + 1}.$$

Show how to evaluate this integral by considering

$$\oint_{C(\mathbb{R})} \frac{\mathrm{d}z}{z^2 + 1},$$

where $C_{(\mathbb{R})}$ is closed semicircle in the upper half plane with endpoints at (-R,0) and (R,0) plus the x-axis. *Hint:* use

$$\frac{1}{z^2 + 1} = -\frac{1}{2i} \left(\frac{1}{z+i} - \frac{1}{z-i} \right),$$

and show that the integral along the open semicircle in the upper half plane vanishes as $R \to \infty$. Verify your answer by usual integration in real variables. *Solution:*

Repeat this exercise for

$$I_{\epsilon} = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{\epsilon dx}{x^2 + \epsilon^2}, \quad \epsilon > 0.$$

Seems like I am supposed to do 2.5.6 and then for the given integral as well. *Solution:*

8: Use a similar method to calculate $\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{dx}{1+x^4}$. Solution:

9: From A&F: 2.6.1 a, e. Evaluate the integrals $\oint_C f(z) dz$, where C is the unit circle centered at the origin and f(z) is given by the following (use Eq. (1.2.19) as necessary): a)

$$\frac{\sin z}{z}$$

Solution:

e)

$$e^{z^2} \left(\frac{1}{z^2} - \frac{1}{z^3} \right)$$

Solution: