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## HOMEWORK 8

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- 1: The Korteweg-de Vries (KdV) equation arises whenever long waves of moderate amplitude in dispersive media are considered. For instance, it describes waves in shallow water, and ion-acoustic waves in plasmas. The equation is given by

$$u_t = 6uu_x + u_{xxx},$$

where indices denote partial differentiation.

- (a) By looking for solutions  $u(x, t) = U(x)$ , derive a first-order ordinary differential equation for  $U(x)$ . Introduce integration constants as required.

*Solution:*

Since we want to find time independent ODE such that  $\frac{d}{dt}U(x) = 0$ , then we need

$$0 = 6uu_x + u_{xxx}.$$

Integrating gives us

$$\begin{aligned}\int 0 &= 6 \int uu_x dx + \int u_{xxx} dx \\ 0 &= 6 \int uu_x dx + u_{xx} + C_2.\end{aligned}$$

Using a substitution  $v = u$  and  $dv = u_x dx$  we have

$$\begin{aligned}0 &= 6 \int uu_x dx + u_{xx} + C_2 \\ 0 &= 6 \int v dv + u_{xx} + C_2 \\ 0 &= 6 \left( \frac{1}{2} v^2 \right) + C_3 + u_{xx} + C_2 \\ 0 &= 3u^2 + C_3 + u_{xx} + C_2.\end{aligned}$$

Next we multiply through by  $u_x$  and use the  $v = u$  ( $dv = u_x dx$ ) substitution for the first integral and a  $\omega = u_x$  ( $d\omega = u_{xx} dx$ ) substitution for the third integral

$$\begin{aligned}
0 &= 3u^2 u_x + u_x C_3 + u_x u_{xx} + u_x C_2 \\
0 &= 3 \int u^2 u_x dx + \int u_x C_3 dx + \int u_x u_{xx} dx + \int u_x C_2 dx \\
0 &= 3 \int v^2 dv + \int u_x C_3 dx + \int \omega d\omega + \int u_x C_2 dx \\
0 &= 3 \left( \frac{1}{3} v^3 \right) + C_4 + u C_3 + C_5 + \frac{1}{2} \omega^2 + C_6 + u C_2 + C_7 \\
0 &= u^3 + \frac{1}{2} (u_x)^2 + u(C_2 + C_3) + (C_4 + C_5 + C_6 + C_7).
\end{aligned}$$

Hence

$$u_x^2 = -2u^3 - 2uC_0 - 2C_1$$

which is our first-order ordinary differential equation for  $U(x)$ . □

(b) Let  $U = U_0 \wp(x - x_0)$ . Determine  $U_0$  so that  $u = U(x)$  solves the KdV equation.

*Solution:*

Note, we proved last time that  $\wp(z + Nw_1 + Mw_2) = \wp(z)$  therefore  $\wp(x - x_0) = \wp(x)$ . Then plugging  $U = U_0 \wp(x)$  into our first-order ordinary differential equation for  $U(x)$  (while suppressing the argument for  $\wp$ ) we have

$$\begin{aligned}
(U_0 \wp')^2 &= -2(U_0 \wp)^3 - 2(U_0 \wp)C_0 - 2C_1 \\
U_0^2 (\wp')^2 &= -2U_0^3 \wp^3 - 2U_0 C_0 \wp - 2C_1 \\
(\wp')^2 &= -2U_0 \wp^3 - \frac{2}{U_0} C_0 \wp - \frac{2}{U_0^2} C_1.
\end{aligned}$$

Choosing  $U_0 = -2$  then we have

$$(\wp')^2 = 4\wp^3 + C_0 \wp - \frac{1}{2} C_1,$$

which resembles what we showed in the previous assignment holds

$$(\wp')^2 = 4\wp^3 + c\wp + d.$$

The remaining constants can be attained through the initial conditions of the system we are solving and making sure they agree with the values of  $c, d$  from the previous assignment.

**2:** From A&F: 3.6.5

Show that if  $f(z)$  is meromorphic in the finite  $z$  plane, then  $f(z)$  must be the ratio of two entire functions.

*Solution:*

Assume  $f(z)$  is a meromorphic function. Then we know all of the singularities of  $f(z)$  are poles of some order. If we can multiply  $f(z)$  by some entire  $g(z)$  function which knocks out all of the poles of  $f(z)$  and are left with an entire function  $h(z)$ , then the original meromorphic function  $f(z)$  is a ratio of two entire functions. Now it is left for us to successfully construct such a function  $g(z)$ . Our construction needs to have zeros at all of the locations where  $f(z)$  has poles. Additionally we need to make sure that the multiplicity of the zeros agree with the residue of the poles. We can use the Mittag-Leffler Expansion to assist us here. Suppose  $f(z)$  has poles at each  $z = z_j$  for  $j = 0, 1, 2, \dots$  with corresponding residues  $a_j$  then let  $g(z)$  be

$$g(z) = z^{a_0} \prod_{j=1}^{\infty} \left[ (z - z_j) \exp \left( \sum_{k=0}^{m-1} \frac{(z_j)^{k+1}}{k+1} \right) \right]^{a_j}.$$

Then

$$f(z)g(z) = h(z).$$

Since  $g(z)$  is an entire function constructed strategically,  $h(z)$  has no singularities and is therefore entire in the finite complex plane. Therefore  $f(z)$  is the ratio of two entire functions.

□

**3:** Here's a way to evaluate

$$\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{k^2},$$

due to Euler. We've seen that

$$\frac{\sin \pi z}{\pi z} = \prod_{j=1}^{\infty} \left(1 - \frac{z^2}{j^2}\right).$$

(a) Equate the coefficients of  $z^2$  on both sides, to recover the desired sum.

*Solution:*

Taylor expand on the left to get

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\sin \pi z}{\pi z} &= \frac{1}{\pi z} \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^j (\pi z)^{2j+1}}{(2j+1)!} \\ &= \frac{1}{\pi z} \left( \pi z - \frac{(z\pi)^3}{6} + \frac{(z\pi)^5}{120} - \dots \right) \\ &= 1 - \frac{z^2 \pi^2}{6} + \frac{z^4 \pi^4}{120} - \dots \end{aligned}$$

Now expand out several terms in the product on the right

$$\begin{aligned} \prod_{j=1}^{\infty} \left(1 - \frac{z^2}{j^2}\right) &= (1 - z^2) \left(1 - \frac{z^2}{4}\right) \left(1 - \frac{z^2}{9}\right) \left(1 - \frac{z^2}{16}\right) \left(1 - \frac{z^2}{25}\right) \dots \\ &= \left(1 - z^2 - \frac{z^2}{4} + \frac{z^4}{4}\right) \left(1 - \frac{z^2}{9}\right) \left(1 - \frac{z^2}{16}\right) \left(1 - \frac{z^2}{25}\right) \dots \\ &= \left(1 - z^2 - \frac{z^2}{4} + \frac{z^4}{4} - \frac{z^2}{9} + \frac{z^4}{9} + \frac{z^4}{36} - \frac{z^6}{36}\right) \left(1 - \frac{z^2}{16}\right) \left(1 - \frac{z^2}{25}\right) \dots \\ &= \left(1 + z^2 \left(-1 - \frac{1}{4} - \frac{1}{9}\right) + z^4 \left(\frac{1}{4} + \frac{1}{9} + \frac{1}{36}\right) - \frac{z^6}{36}\right) \left(1 - \frac{z^2}{16}\right) \left(1 - \frac{z^2}{25}\right) \dots \end{aligned}$$

Then we have the coefficients for  $z^2$  becomes the series  $-\sum_{j=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{j^2}$ . Equating the coefficient on the left with the series on the right we have

$$\begin{aligned} -\frac{\pi^2}{6} &= -\sum_{j=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{j^2} \\ \frac{\pi^2}{6} &= \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{j^2} \end{aligned}$$

□

(b) Equate the coefficients of  $z^4$  on both sides to recover a different sum.

*Solution:*

Using the results from the Taylor expansion on the left from part (a) we have the coefficient of the  $z^4$  term is  $\frac{\pi^4}{120}$ . Additionally, from expanding the first several terms in the product on the right we have that the coefficient of the  $z^4$  term can be written as

$$\sum_{j=0}^{\infty} \sum_{k=1}^{j-1} \frac{1}{j^2} \frac{1}{k^2}.$$

Combining these we have

$$\frac{\pi^4}{120} = \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} \sum_{k=1}^{j-1} \frac{1}{j^2} \frac{1}{k^2}.$$

A little work can be done to relate this to the sum

$$\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{k^4}.$$

By equating coefficients of higher powers of  $z$ , one can recover other identities too.

□

- 4: For the following, suppose that  $f(z)$  is analytic in an open set  $\Omega$  that contains  $[-1, 1]$ .  
(a) Show that there exists a contour  $C$ , encircling  $[-1, 1]$ , such that

$$\int_{-1}^1 \frac{f(x)dx}{\sqrt{1-x}\sqrt{1+x}} = \frac{1}{2i} \oint_C \frac{f(z)dz}{\sqrt{z-1}\sqrt{z+1}}.$$

*Solution:*

For convenience, define  $h(z)$  to be the integrand  $h(z) = \frac{f(z)}{\sqrt{z-1}\sqrt{z+1}}$ . Siting Homework 5 problem 5, let  $\Sigma$  define the same area as before

$$\Sigma = \{z \in \mathbb{C} : |\operatorname{Re} z| \leq r \text{ and } 0 \leq -\operatorname{Im} z \leq R, R > 0, r > 1\}$$

and let  $\partial\Sigma$  be the clockwise oriented contour along the boundary of the region  $\Sigma$ . Additionally let  $\partial\Sigma \setminus [-1, 1]$  be the contour on the boundary without the section from  $-1$  to  $1$  on the real line. From that same problem we know

$$\oint_{\partial\Sigma} h(z)dz = 0.$$

Furthermore, we can say

$$(1) \quad \begin{aligned} \int_{-1}^1 h(z)dz + \oint_{\partial\Sigma \setminus [-1, 1]} h(z)dz &= 0 \\ \oint_{\partial\Sigma \setminus [-1, 1]} h(z)dz &= - \int_{-1}^1 h(z)dz. \end{aligned}$$

We now define

$$\Sigma' = \{z \in \mathbb{C} : |\operatorname{Re} z| \leq r \text{ and } 0 \leq \operatorname{Im} z \leq R, R > 0, r > 1\}$$

to be the upper half plane analogy of  $\Sigma$ . Therefore, let  $\partial\Sigma'$  be the clockwise oriented contour along the boundary of the region  $\Sigma'$ .

$$g(z) = \begin{cases} h(z), & \text{if } \Im(z) > 0 \text{ or } |z| > 1 \\ -h(z), & \text{if } \Im(z) = 0 \text{ and } |z| \leq 1 \end{cases}.$$

This helps us preserve the continuity we are concerned with in order to apply the same arguments from Homework 5 problem 5 and making use of lemma 1 from problem 4 of that same assignment. Then we can conclude

$$\oint_{\partial\Sigma'} g(z)dz = 0.$$

Furthermore, we have

$$(2) \quad \begin{aligned} \int_1^{-1} g(z)dz + \oint_{\partial\Sigma' \setminus [-1, 1]} g(z)dz &= 0 \\ \oint_{\partial\Sigma' \setminus [-1, 1]} g(z)dz &= - \int_1^{-1} g(z)dz \\ \oint_{\partial\Sigma' \setminus [-1, 1]} h(z)dz &= - \int_1^{-1} -h(z)dz \\ \oint_{\partial\Sigma' \setminus [-1, 1]} h(z)dz &= - \int_{-1}^1 h(z)dz. \end{aligned}$$

If we add equation (1) and equation (2), we have

$$\oint_{\partial\Sigma \setminus [-1,1]} h(z)dz + \oint_{\partial\Sigma' \setminus [-1,1]} h(z)dz = - \int_{-1}^1 h(z)dz - \int_{-1}^1 h(z)dz$$

$$\oint_{\partial\Sigma \setminus [-1,1]} h(z)dz + \oint_{\partial\Sigma' \setminus [-1,1]} h(z)dz = -2 \int_{-1}^1 h(z)dz.$$

Note the contours  $\partial\Sigma \setminus [-1, 1]$  and  $\partial\Sigma' \setminus [-1, 1]$  have small overlapping regions on the real axis which cancel out since they are of opposite orientation. We denote the combinations of these contours as  $\partial\widehat{\Sigma}$  which is the clockwise oriented contour on the boundary of  $\widehat{\Sigma}$  with

$$\widehat{\Sigma} = \{z \in \mathbb{C} : |\operatorname{Re} z| \leq r \text{ and } |\operatorname{Im} z| \leq R, R > 0, r > 1\}.$$

Hence,

$$\begin{aligned} \oint_{\partial\Sigma \setminus [-1,1]} h(z)dz + \oint_{\partial\Sigma' \setminus [-1,1]} h(z)dz &= -2 \int_{-1}^1 h(z)dz \\ \oint_{\partial\widehat{\Sigma}} h(z)dz &= -2 \int_{-1}^1 h(z)dz \\ \oint_{\partial\widehat{\Sigma}} \frac{f(z)}{\sqrt{z-1}\sqrt{z+1}}dz &= -2 \int_{-1}^1 \frac{f(x)}{\sqrt{x-1}\sqrt{x+1}}dx \\ \oint_{\partial\widehat{\Sigma}} \frac{f(z)}{\sqrt{z-1}\sqrt{z+1}}dz &= -\frac{2}{i} \int_{-1}^1 \frac{f(x)}{\sqrt{1-x}\sqrt{x+1}}dx \\ \oint_{\partial\widehat{\Sigma}} \frac{f(z)}{\sqrt{z-1}\sqrt{z+1}}dz &= 2i \int_{-1}^1 \frac{f(x)}{\sqrt{1-x}\sqrt{x+1}}dx \\ \frac{1}{2i} \oint_{\partial\widehat{\Sigma}} \frac{f(z)}{\sqrt{z-1}\sqrt{z+1}}dz &= \int_{-1}^1 \frac{f(x)}{\sqrt{1-x}\sqrt{x+1}}dx. \end{aligned}$$

Therefore the clockwise oriented contour on the boundary of  $\widehat{\Sigma}$ , denoted as  $\partial\widehat{\Sigma}$  is one such contour encircling  $[-1, 1]$  such that

$$\int_{-1}^1 \frac{f(x)dx}{\sqrt{1-x}\sqrt{1+x}} = \frac{1}{2i} \oint_C \frac{f(z)dz}{\sqrt{z-1}\sqrt{z+1}}.$$

□

Note we can deform this contour  $\partial\widehat{\Sigma}$  into a circle centered at  $z = 0$  of radius  $\rho > 1$ .

(b) Use this to evaluate

$$I_1 = \int_{-1}^1 \frac{dx}{\sqrt{1-x}\sqrt{1+x}}, \quad I_2 = \int_{-1}^1 \sqrt{1-x}\sqrt{1+x} dx,$$

$$I_3 = \int_{-1}^1 \frac{\sqrt{1-x}}{\sqrt{1+x}} dx, \quad I_4 = \int_{-1}^1 \frac{\sqrt{1+x}}{\sqrt{1-x}} dx,$$

without using any changes of variable (e.g., no trig subs!).

*Solution:*

Using part (a) and the substitution  $z = \rho e^{i\theta}$  where  $\rho$  is very large making  $z$  be near  $\infty$ . Additionally, our clockwise circle contour around  $z = 0$  can also be a counterclockwise contour around  $\infty$ . Therefore

$$\begin{aligned} I_1 &= \int_{-1}^1 \frac{dx}{\sqrt{1-x}\sqrt{1+x}} = \frac{1}{2i} \oint_C \frac{f(z)dz}{\sqrt{z-1}\sqrt{z+1}} \\ &= \frac{1}{2i} \int_0^{2\pi} \frac{\rho i e^{i\theta} d\theta}{\sqrt{\rho e^{i\theta}-1}\sqrt{\rho e^{i\theta}+1}} \\ &= \frac{1}{2i} \int_0^{2\pi} \frac{\rho i e^{i\theta} d\theta}{\rho e^{i\theta} \sqrt{1-\frac{1}{\rho e^{i\theta}}} \sqrt{1+\frac{1}{\rho e^{i\theta}}}} \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \int_0^{2\pi} \frac{d\theta}{\sqrt{1-\frac{1}{\rho e^{i\theta}}} \sqrt{1+\frac{1}{\rho e^{i\theta}}}}. \end{aligned}$$

Since  $\rho$  is large,  $\frac{1}{\rho e^{i\theta}} \approx 0$ . Thus

$$\begin{aligned} &= \frac{1}{2} \int_0^{2\pi} \frac{d\theta}{\sqrt{1-\frac{1}{\rho e^{i\theta}}} \sqrt{1+\frac{1}{\rho e^{i\theta}}}} \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \int_0^{2\pi} d\theta \\ &= \frac{1}{2} (\theta|_0^{2\pi}) \\ &= \frac{1}{2} 2\pi \\ &= \pi. \end{aligned}$$

Hence,

$$I_1 = \int_{-1}^1 \frac{dx}{\sqrt{1-x}\sqrt{1+x}} = \pi$$

□

$$I_2 = \int_{-1}^1 \sqrt{1-x}\sqrt{1+x} dx \dots$$

Another one

$$I_3 = \int_{-1}^1 \frac{\sqrt{1-x}}{\sqrt{1+x}} dx \dots$$



one more

$$I_4 = \int_{-1}^1 \frac{\sqrt{1+x}}{\sqrt{1-x}} dx \dots$$

5: Suppose, for  $|z| = 1$ , that the series

$$f(z) = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} f_n z^n,$$

converges uniformly.

(a) Compute series representations for

$$F(z) := \frac{1}{2\pi i} \oint_C \frac{f(\xi)}{\xi - z} d\xi, \quad |z| \neq 1, \quad C = \partial B_1(0).$$

*Solution:*

**TODO:** two cases where  $|z| < 1$  and  $|z| > 1$ ...geometric series???

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(b) For  $|z| = 1$ , compute

$$\lim_{\epsilon \rightarrow 0^+} F(z(1 - \epsilon)) - \lim_{\epsilon \rightarrow 0^+} F(z(1 + \epsilon)).$$

*Solution:*

**TODO:** should expect a “jump” discontinuity at the boundary

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