

Assignment 12

PHY310: Mathematical Methods for Physicists I

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1. Prove that

$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{dx}{(x^2 + 1)^n} = \frac{\pi}{2^{2n-2}} \frac{(2n-2)!}{[(n-1)!]^2}$$

2. Evaluate the integral

$$\int_0^{2\pi} \frac{d\theta}{1 + a \cos \theta}$$

by the method of residues when $-1 < a < 1$.

3. For $n = 0, 1, 2, \dots, \infty$, show that

$$\int_0^\pi \cos^{2n} \theta d\theta = \pi \frac{(2n)!}{2^{2n} n!}.$$

4. Using method of residues, show that

$$\int_0^{2\pi} \frac{\cos 2\theta}{5 + 4 \cos \theta} d\theta = \frac{\pi}{6}.$$

5. Prove that

$$\int_0^\infty e^{-x^2} \cos(2ax) dx = \frac{\sqrt{\pi}}{2} e^{-a^2}$$

by integrating e^{-z^2} around a rectangular contour whose vertices are $(0, 0)$, $(R, 0)$, (R, ia) , and $(0, ia)$.

6. For $a > 1$, show that

$$\int_0^\pi \frac{d\theta}{(a + \cos \theta)^2} = \frac{\pi a}{(a^2 - 1)^{3/2}}.$$

7. For $|t| < 1$, show that

$$\int_0^{2\pi} \frac{d\theta}{1 - 2t \cos \theta + t^2} = \frac{2\pi}{1 - t^2}.$$

8. Using method of Residues, evaluate

$$\int_0^\infty \frac{\cos x}{x^2 + 1} dx.$$

9. Using method of Residues, show that

$$\int_0^\pi \frac{d\theta}{1 + \sin^2 \theta} = \frac{\pi}{\sqrt{2}}.$$

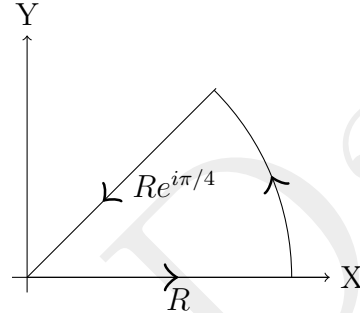
10. Using method of Residues, show that

$$\int_0^{\infty} \frac{x \sin x}{x^2 + 1} dx = \frac{\pi}{2e}.$$

11. Prove that

$$\int_0^{\infty} \cos x^2 dx = \frac{1}{2} \sqrt{\frac{\pi}{2}}.$$

Hint: One can choose the following complex function: $f(z) = \exp(iz^2)$ and the contour shown on the right.



12. Using method of residues, show that

$$\int_0^{\infty} \frac{\sin^2 x}{x^2} dx = \frac{\pi}{2}.$$

13. Using method of residues, show that

$$\int_0^{\infty} \frac{\sin^3 x}{x^3} dx = \frac{3\pi}{8}.$$

14. Using method of residues, calculate

$$\int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} \frac{\cos ax}{x^2 + x + 1} dx.$$

15. Using method of residues, show that

$$\int_0^{\infty} \frac{\sin mx}{x(x^2 + a^2)} dx = \frac{\pi}{2a^2} (1 - e^{-ma}).$$