

Complexe Analyse

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Applications of the Residue Theorem

Integral

If $f : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ continuous, define $\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(x) dx = \lim_{R \rightarrow \infty} \int_{-R}^R f(x) dx$.

Theorem

Let p, q polynomials such that

- $\deg(p) < \deg(q) - 1$.
- $x \in \mathbb{R} \Rightarrow q(x) \neq 0$.
- Every root of q is of order 1.
- $q(z) = 0 \Rightarrow p(z) \neq 0$.

Then $\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{p(x)}{q(x)} dx = 2\pi i \sum_{q(z_k)=0, \operatorname{Im}(z_k)>0} \frac{p(z_k)}{q'(z_k)}$.

Applications of the Residue Theorem

Example

$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{1}{x^2+1} dx$. Now take $p(z) = 1$, $q(z) = z^2 + 1$.
 $q(z) = 0 \Leftrightarrow z \in \{\pm i\}$. So our conditions are satisfied.

$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{1}{x^2+1} dx = 2\pi i \sum_{z_k \in \{i\}} \frac{p(z_k)}{q'(z_k)} = 2\pi i \frac{1}{2i} = \pi.$$

Proof

Let $R > 0$ be big enough such that the half circle of radius R contains all zeroes of q . Then

$$\int_{-R}^R \frac{p(x)}{q(x)} dx + \int_{C_R} \frac{p(z)}{q(z)} dz = 2\pi i \sum_{q(z_k)=0, \operatorname{Im}(z_k)>0} \operatorname{Res}_{z=z_k} \frac{p(z)}{q(z)}.$$

The claim follows if $\int_{C_R} \frac{p(z)}{q(z)} dz \rightarrow_{R \rightarrow \infty} 0$.

$|\int_{C_R} \frac{p(z)}{q(z)} dz| \leq \pi R \max_{z \in C_R} \left| \frac{p(z)}{q(z)} \right| \leq c\pi R \frac{1}{R^2} \rightarrow_{R \rightarrow \infty} 0$. Because of condition $\deg(p) < \deg(q) - 1$. All zeroes of q of order 1, such that we write $\operatorname{Res}_{z=z_k} \frac{p(z)}{q(z)} = \frac{p(z)}{q'(z)}$ (see last week).

Calculating Fourier Transform

Fourier transformation

$\mathcal{F} : \text{Map}(\mathbb{R}, \mathbb{R}) \rightarrow \text{Map}(\mathbb{R}, \mathbb{R})$ with $f \mapsto \mathcal{F}(f)$, with

$$\mathcal{F}(f)(a) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(x) \cos(ax) dx \text{ with } a \in \mathbb{R}.$$

Let $f(z) = \frac{p(z)}{q(z)}$ be a rational function with real coefficients.

Assume $q(x) \neq 0$ for all $x \in \mathbb{R}$.

Goal: Calculate $\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(x) \cos(ax) dx$ and $\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(x) \sin(ax) dx$ with $a > 0$.

Idea

Since $\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(x) \cos(ax) dx = \text{Re} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(x) e^{iax} dx$ and $\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(x) \sin(ax) dx = \text{Im} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(x) e^{iax} dx$ we calculate $\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(x) e^{iax} dx$.

Calculating Fourier Transform

Theorem

Assume $\deg(p) \leq \deg(q) - 2$ with coefficients in \mathbb{R} , then

$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \cos(ax) dx = \operatorname{Re}(2\pi i \sum_{\operatorname{Im}(z_k) > 0, q(z_k) = 0} \operatorname{Res}_{z=z_k}(f(z)e^{iaz})) \text{ and}$$
$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \sin(ax) dx = \operatorname{Im}(2\pi i \sum_{\operatorname{Im}(z_k) > 0, q(z_k) = 0} \operatorname{Res}_{z=z_k}(f(z)e^{iaz})).$$

Proof

$$\int_{-R}^R f(x) e^{iax} dx =$$
$$2\pi i \sum_{\operatorname{Im}(z_k) > 0, q(z_k) = 0} \operatorname{Res}_{z=z_k}(f(z)e^{iaz}) - \int_{C_R} f(z) e^{iaz} dz.$$

Now $|\int_{C_R} f(z) e^{iaz} dz| \leq \pi R \max_{z \in C_R} |f(z) e^{iaz}| \leq$
 $\pi R \max_{z \in C_R} |f(z)| \cdot \max_{z \in C_R} |e^{iaz}| \leq c\pi R \frac{1}{R^2}$. Because
 $\max_{z \in C_R} |f(z)| \leq c \frac{1}{R^2}$ and $\max_{z \in C_R} |e^{iaz}| \leq 1$ because
 $|e^{iaz}| = |e^{ia(x+iy)}| = e^{-ay} < 1$ because $a > 0$ and $y > 0$.

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Remark

Similarly for $a < 0$.

Example

$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{1}{(x^2+4)^2} \cos(2x) dx$, now $p(z) = 1$,
 $q(z) = (z^2 + 4)^2 = (z - 2i)^2(z + 2i)^2$.

By the theorem we have that

$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{1}{(x^2+4)^2} \cos(2x) dx = \operatorname{Re}(2\pi i \operatorname{Res}_{z=2i} f(z) e^{i2z}).$$

Now $f(z) e^{2iz} = \frac{g(z)}{(z-2i)^2}$ with $g(z) = \frac{1}{(z+2i)^2} e^{2iz}$. Hence

$$\operatorname{Res}_{z=z_k} f(z) e^{2iz} = g'(2i) = \frac{5}{32e^4 i} \text{ and}$$

$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{1}{(x^2+4)^2} \cos(2x) dx = \operatorname{Re}(2\pi i \frac{5}{32e^4 i}) = \frac{5\pi}{16e^4}.$$

Question

What happens if q has roots on the real axis.

Calculating Fourier Transform

Theorem

Assume that q has simple roots x_1, \dots, x_n along the real line and that $\int_{C_R} \frac{p(z)}{q(z)} dz \rightarrow_{R \rightarrow \infty} 0$.

Then $\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{p(x)}{q(x)} dx =$

$$2\pi i \sum_{\text{Im}(z_k) > 0, q(z_k) = 0} \text{Res}_{z=z_k} \frac{p(z)}{q(z)} - \pi i \sum_{x \in \{x_1, \dots, x_n\}} \text{Res}_{z=x} \frac{p(z)}{q(z)}.$$

Then

$$\int_{-R}^{x_1 - \rho} f(z) dz + \dots + \int_{x_n + \rho}^R + \sum_{i=1}^n \int_{C_\rho^i} f(z) dz + \int_{C_R} f(z) dz =$$

$$2\pi i \sum_{\text{Im}(z_k) > 0, q(z_k) = 0} \text{Res}_{z=z_k} f(z).$$

$$\int_{C_R} f(z) dz \rightarrow_{R \rightarrow \infty} 0$$

$$\int_{-R}^{x_1 - \rho} f(z) dz + \dots + \int_{x_n + \rho}^R \rightarrow \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(z) dz \text{ as } \rho \rightarrow 0.$$

The claim follows if $\int_{C_\rho^i} f(z) dz \rightarrow \pi i \text{Res}_{z=x_i} f(z)$. But

$f(z) = g_k(z) + \frac{B_k}{z - x_k}$ and with $B_k = \text{Res}_{z=x_k} f(z)$ and g_k analytic at x_k . So $\int_{C_\rho^i} f(z) dz = \int_{C_\rho^i} g_k(z) dz + B_k \int_{C_\rho^i} \frac{1}{z - x_k} = \pi i$ if $\rho \rightarrow 0$.