

PH 223 TSC

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Recap

Cauchy-Riemann conditions

Let f be a complex function with u and v as its real and imaginary parts, respectively. Then, f is differentiable *iff* the following holds:

$$u_x = v_y$$

$$u_y = -v_x$$

In a more compact form:

$$f_y = i f_x$$

Equivalent condition for differentiability

f is differentiable \longleftrightarrow "Pure function of z "

Questions

Q.

Is $u(x, y) = xy + 3x^2y - y^3$ harmonic? If yes, find it's harmonic conjugate.

Ans.

Yes! $u_{xx} + u_{yy} = 0 \implies u$ is harmonic. Let the harmonic conjugate be $v(x, y)$. u and v satisfy the CR conditions:

$$v_y = u_x = y + 6xy$$

$$v = \frac{y^2}{2} + 3xy^2 + g(x)$$

$$v_x = 3y^2 + g'(x) = -u_y = -x - 3x^2 + 3y^2$$

$$g(x) = -\frac{x^2}{2} - x^3$$

$$v(x, y) = \frac{y^2}{2} + 3xy^2 - \frac{x^2}{2} - x^3$$

Q.

Consider a function f defined on a simply connected domain Ω .

Statement: If $f'(z) = 0 \forall z \in \Omega$, then $f(z) = \text{constant}$ in Ω .

True or False?

Ans.

False! The keyword to note is *simply connected*. Thus, Ω can be a union of two (or more) simply connected islands:

$$\Omega = \Omega_1 \cup \Omega_2$$

f can take different values c_1 and c_2 on the two islands.

Analytic functions

In simple terms, an analytic function is: *a function with a Taylor expansion.*

Radius of convergence:

$$R = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left| \frac{a_n}{a_{n+1}} \right|$$

Cauchy condition for analytic functions

Let f be an analytic function and \mathcal{C} be a closed contour in the complex plane \mathbb{C} . Then

$$\int_{\mathcal{C}} f(z) dz = 0$$

Q.

Find the radius of convergence of the following power series (about $z = 0$):

$$S = \sum_n \frac{(-1)^n}{n!} z^{n^2}$$

Ans.

Use ratio test (or root test)! $R = 1$

Cauchy Integral Formula (CIF)

If $f(z)$ is analytic on and inside a contour \mathcal{C} , then (for $z_0 \in \mathcal{C}$)

$$\int_{\mathcal{C}} \frac{f(z)}{z - z_0} dz = 2\pi i f(z_0)$$

Cauchy Residue Theorem

Let f be a complex function having n singular points (z_1, z_2, \dots, z_n) in the interior of a closed contour \mathcal{C} . Then

$$\int_{\mathcal{C}} f(z) dz = \sum_{i=1}^n \text{Res}(z_i)$$

Laurent Series

Suppose a *non-analytic* function f has an isolated singularity at z_0 . In that case, it can be expressed as a series (Laurent series) in an annular region around z_0 bounded by two closed curves \mathcal{C}_1 and \mathcal{C}_2 :

$$f(z) = \sum_{n \geq 0} a_n (z - z_0)^n + \sum_{n \geq 1} b_n (z - z_0)^{-n}$$

$$a_n = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{\mathcal{C}_1} \frac{f(\xi)}{(\xi - z_0)^{n+1}} d\xi$$

$$b_n = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{\mathcal{C}_2} \frac{f(\xi)}{(\xi - z_0)^{-n+1}} d\xi$$

Q.

Evaluate the following integral:

$$\int_0^{2\pi} \frac{\cos^2(3x)}{5 - 4\cos(2x)} dx$$

Ans.

Define $z = e^{i\theta}$ and substitute

$$\cos(n\theta) = (z^n + z^{-n}) / 2$$

Important Definitions:

$|a\rangle, |b\rangle \in S_N \leftarrow$ N-dimensional vector space

- ① Scalar product: $\langle a|b\rangle$
 - $\langle a|b\rangle = \overline{\langle b|a\rangle}$
 - $\langle a|a\rangle \geq 0$
 - bi-linear
- ② Metric distance: $P(|a\rangle, |b\rangle)$
 - $P(|a\rangle, |b\rangle) = P(|b\rangle, |a\rangle)$
 - $P(|a\rangle, |b\rangle) = 0$ iff $|a\rangle = |b\rangle$
 - triangle inequality

Function Spaces

Things to remember:

- ① Infinite-dimensional basis
- ② Parseval's equality condition \rightarrow "completeness"
- ③ Metric Distance:

$$P(|f\rangle, |g\rangle) = \sqrt{\int_a^b w(x) |f(x) - g(x)|^2 dx}$$

- ④ Scalar product:

$$\langle f|g\rangle = \int_a^b \underbrace{w(x)}_{\text{weight}} \bar{f}(x) g(x) dx$$

Fourier Series

Let f be a function on $[-L, L]$, then it's Fourier series expansion is given by

$$FS(f(x)) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2L}} \left[A_0 + \sum_{m \geq 1} A_m \cos\left(\frac{m\pi x}{L}\right) + \sum_{m \geq 1} B_m \sin\left(\frac{m\pi x}{L}\right) \right]$$

$$A_0 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2L}} \int_{-L}^L f(x) dx$$

$$A_m = \sqrt{\frac{2}{L}} \int_{-L}^L f(x) \cos\left(\frac{m\pi x}{L}\right) dx$$

$$B_m = \sqrt{\frac{2}{L}} \int_{-L}^L f(x) \sin\left(\frac{m\pi x}{L}\right) dx$$

Q. When is it equal to $f(x)$??

Q.

Consider the following 2π -periodic function:

$$f(x) := \begin{cases} 0 & \text{for } x \in [-\pi, 0) \\ x^2 & \text{for } x \in [0, \pi) \end{cases}$$

Note that the 2π -periodicity of the above function essentially says that

$$f(\pi) := f(-\pi) = 0.$$

Find the Fourier series of the above function and deduce the value of the following, pretty well-known, infinite sum:

$$S = 1 + \frac{1}{2^2} + \frac{1}{3^2} + \cdots$$

Questions

Ans.

Let us note the following two results before proceeding ($n \in \mathbb{N}$)

$$\int_0^\pi x^2 \sin(nx) dx = \frac{(-1)^{n+1}}{n} \pi^2 + 2 \frac{1 - (-1)^n}{n^3}$$

and

$$\int_0^\pi x^2 \cos(nx) dx = \frac{2\pi(-1)^n}{n^2}$$

Thus, we obtain the Fourier series for

$$f(x) := \begin{cases} 0 & \text{for } x \in [-\pi, 0) \\ x^2 & \text{for } x \in [0, \pi) \end{cases} \text{ is}$$

$$f(x) = \frac{\pi^2}{6} + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left(\frac{2(-1)^n}{n^2} \cos(nx) + \left[\frac{(-1)^{n+1}}{n} \pi + \frac{2}{\pi} \cdot \frac{1 - (-1)^n}{n^3} \right] \sin(nx) \right)$$

Plugging in $x = 0$, we get

$$0 = \frac{\pi^2}{6} + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{2(-1)^n}{n^2} \implies 1 - \frac{1}{2^2} + \frac{1}{3^2} - \dots = \frac{\pi^2}{12} \rightarrow S = ?$$

Fourier Transform

FT and inverse FT

The Fourier transform $\tilde{f}(k)$ of a function $f(x)$ is related to it as

$$\tilde{f}(k) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(x) e^{-ikx} dx$$

$$f(x) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \tilde{f}(k) e^{ikx} dk$$

Generalized Distributions

Generalized distributions are limits of sequences of *good* functions.

Dirac Delta

Properties:

$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \delta(x) f(x) dx = f(0)$$
$$\delta(x) f(x) = f(0) \delta(x)$$

FT for Differential Equations

Some important results:

- ① FT of derivatives:

$$FT \left(g^{(m)}(x) \right) = (ik)^m FT(g(x))$$

- ② Derivatives of FT:

$$\frac{d^n}{d(-ik)^n} FT(g(x)) = FT(x^n g(x))$$

- ③ Convolution theorem:

$$f(x) \otimes g(x) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(x)g(x-y)dy$$

$$FT(f(x) \otimes g(x)) = FT(f(x)) \times FT(g(x))$$

Q.

Let $a > 0$. Applying the Fourier transform in the x variable, show the solution $u(t, x)$ to the following first-order partial differential equation:

$$\begin{cases} \frac{\partial u}{\partial t} + a \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} = 0 & \text{for } (t, x) \in (0, \infty) \times \mathbb{R} \\ u(0, x) = u_0(x) & \text{for } x \in \mathbb{R}. \end{cases}$$

is

$$u(t, x) = u_0(x - at) \quad \text{for } (t, x) \in [0, \infty) \times \mathbb{R}.$$

Questions

Ans.

On taking the Fourier transform of the given differential equation, we get

$$\frac{d}{dt}\hat{u} + ika\hat{u} = 0$$

Let the Fourier transform of the initial condition be denoted as $\hat{u}_0(k)$, given by

$$\hat{u}_0(k) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} u_0(x) e^{-ikx} dx$$

The solution of the differential equation is clearly

$$\hat{u}(t, k) = \hat{u}_0(k) e^{-ikat}$$

Taking its inverse Fourier transform gives

$$\begin{aligned} u(t, x) &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \hat{u}_0(k) e^{ik(x-at)} dx \\ &= u_0(x - at) \end{aligned}$$