

Homework 10

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1. Evaluate the improper integral

$$\int_0^\infty \frac{x^3 \sin x}{(x^2 + 1)(x^2 + 9)} dx$$

First, we need to evaluate

$$\lim_{R \rightarrow \infty} \int_{-R}^R \frac{x^3 \sin x}{(x^2 + 1)(x^2 + 9)} dx + \int_{C_R} \frac{z^3 \exp iz}{(z^2 + 1)(z^2 + 9)} dz = 2\pi i \operatorname{Res} f(z)$$

Furthermore, $f(z)$ has isolated singularities whenever $z^2 + 1 = 0$ and $z^2 + 9 = 0$ implying that $z = \pm i$ and $z = \pm 3i$. Thus, let $R > 3$.

We are primarily concerned with the residues at $z = i$ and $z = 3i$.

Residue at $z = i$ First, notice that we can write $f(z)$ as

$$f(z) = \frac{z^3 \exp iz}{(z^2 + 9)(z + i)} \cdot \frac{1}{z - i} = \frac{\phi(z)}{z - i}$$

Because, $\phi(i) = \frac{i^3 \exp i^2}{(i^2 + 9)(i + i)} \neq 0$, $q(i) = 0$, and $q'(i) = 1 \neq 0$, $z = i$ is therefore a pole of order 1 at $z = i$ where

$$\operatorname{Res} f(i) = \phi(i) = \frac{i^3 \cdot \exp i^2}{8 \cdot -1} = \frac{i \exp -1}{8}$$

Residue at $z = 3i$ First, notice that we can write $f(z)$ as

$$f(z) = \frac{z^3 \exp iz}{(z + 3i)(z^2 + 1)} \cdot \frac{1}{z - 3i} = \frac{\phi(z)}{z - 3i}$$

Because, $\phi(i) = \frac{(3i)^3 \exp 3i^2}{(3i + 3i)((3i)^2 + 1)} \neq 0$, $q(i) = 0$, and $q'(i) = 1 \neq 0$, $z = 3i$ is therefore a pole of order 1 at $z = i$ where

$$\operatorname{Res} f(i) = \phi(i) = \frac{(3i)^3 \exp 3i^2}{(3i + 3i)((3i)^2 + 1)} = \frac{3^3 i^3 \exp -3}{6i \cdot (-8)} = \frac{27 \cdot -i \cdot \exp -3}{-48i} = \frac{9 \cdot \exp -3}{16}$$

Value of $\int f(z)$ Whenever $z \in C_R$, because $x \geq 0$ we get that

$$\begin{aligned} |Im \int \frac{z^3 e^{iz}}{(z^2 + 1)(z^2 + 9)}| &\leq \int \left| \frac{z^3 e^{iz}}{(z^2 + 1)(z^2 + 9)} \right| \\ &\leq \left| \frac{\pi \cdot R^4}{(R^2 + 1)(R^2 + 9)} \right| \\ &= \frac{R^4}{R^4 + 10R^2 + 9} \end{aligned}$$

Because the quotient dominates this fraction as $R \rightarrow \infty$, we can say that $\int f(z) \rightarrow 0$ as $R \rightarrow \infty$.

Conclusion By equating imaginary parts, we get

$$\begin{aligned} \lim_{R \rightarrow \infty} \int_{-R}^R \frac{x^3 \sin x}{(x^2 + 1)(x^2 + 9)} dx &= Im(2\pi i Res f(z)) - Im\left(\int_{C_R} \frac{z^3 \exp iz}{(z^2 + 1)(z^2 + 9)} dz\right) \\ &= Im(2\pi i Res f(z)) \\ &= 2\pi i \cdot \frac{\exp -1}{8} \end{aligned}$$

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

Solution ...