

Schaum's Outline - Complex Variables - Problem 1.132

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Show that for any real numbers p and m ,

$$e^{2mi \cot^{-1} p} \left\{ \frac{pi + 1}{pi - 1} \right\}^m = 1$$

$$\begin{aligned} L.H.S &= \left(e^{mi \cot^{-1} p} \right)^2 \left\{ \frac{pi + 1}{pi - 1} \right\}^m \\ &= \left(\cos(\cot^{-1} p) + i \sin(\cot^{-1} p) \right)^{2m} \left\{ \frac{pi + 1}{pi - 1} \right\}^m \\ &= \left(\frac{p}{\sqrt{1+p^2}} + i \frac{1}{\sqrt{1+p^2}} \right)^{2m} \left\{ \frac{pi + 1}{pi - 1} \right\}^m \\ &= \left\{ \frac{p^2 - 1 + 2ip}{1 + p^2} \right\}^m \left\{ \frac{pi + 1}{pi - 1} \right\}^m \\ &= \left\{ \frac{p^2 - 1 + 2ip}{(1 + ip)(1 - ip)} \right\}^m \left\{ \frac{pi + 1}{pi - 1} \right\}^m \\ &= \frac{(p^2 - 1 + 2ip)^m}{(pi + 1)^m (1 - ip)^m} \left\{ \frac{pi + 1}{pi - 1} \right\}^m \\ &= \frac{(p^2 - 1 + 2ip)^m}{(-1)^m (pi - 1)^{2m}} \\ &= \frac{(p + i)^{2m}}{(-1)^m (pi - 1)^{2m}} \\ &= \frac{(p + i)^{2m}}{(-1)^m (pi - 1)^{2m}} \\ &= \frac{i^{2m} \left(\frac{p}{i} + 1 \right)^{2m}}{(-1)^m (pi - 1)^{2m}} \\ &= \frac{(-pi + 1)^{2m}}{(pi - 1)^{2m}} \\ &= 1 \end{aligned}$$

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