

Exercise 2.6.2:

We want to show

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

Consider the integral

$$\frac{1}{2i} \int_{-\infty}^\infty \frac{e^{ix}}{x} dx = \frac{1}{2i} \int_{-\infty}^\infty \frac{i \sin x}{x} dx + \int_{-\infty}^\infty \frac{\cos x}{x}$$

Because $\cos x$ is even and $\sin x$ is odd we see

$$\frac{1}{2i} \int_{-\infty}^\infty \frac{i \sin x}{x} dx + \frac{1}{2i} \int_{-\infty}^\infty \frac{\cos x}{x} = \frac{1}{2i} \int_{-\infty}^\infty \frac{i \sin x}{x} = \int_0^\infty \frac{\sin x}{x}$$

We will evaluate this on the contour

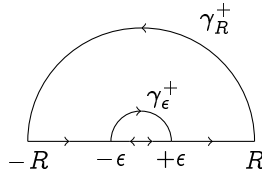


Figure 1: Contour of integration

We apply Cauchy's theorem to see that

$$\int_{\gamma_R^+} \frac{e^{iz}}{z} dz + \int_{-R}^{-\epsilon} \frac{e^{ix}}{x} dx + \int_{\gamma_\epsilon^+} \frac{e^{iz}}{z} dz + \int_{\epsilon}^R \frac{e^{ix}}{x} dx = 0$$

Then we observe

$$\int_{\gamma_R^+} \frac{e^{iz} - 1}{z} dz = \int_{\gamma_R^+} \frac{e^{iz}}{z} dz \leq \left| \int_{\gamma_R^+} \frac{e^{iz}}{z} dz \right|$$

We estimate the last term

$$\left| \int_{\gamma_R^+} \frac{e^{iz}}{z} dz \right| = \left| \int_0^\pi \frac{e^{iRe^{i\theta}}}{Re^{i\theta}} iRe^{i\theta} d\theta \right| \leq \left| i \int_0^\pi e^{iR \cos \theta} e^{-R \sin \theta} d\theta \right|$$

Now estimate

$$\left| i \int_0^\pi e^{iR \cos \theta} e^{-R \sin \theta} d\theta \right| \leq \left| i \int_0^\pi e^{-R \sin \theta} d\theta \right|$$

Note that if $\theta \in (0, \pi)$ then $e^{\sin \theta} > 1$, which can be seen by observing that $\sin \theta > 0$ in $(0, \pi)$ and then applying the exponential function to both sides of the inequality. So

$$\left| i \int_0^\pi e^{-R \sin \theta} d\theta \right| \leq i\pi \sup_{\theta \in (0, \pi)} |(e^{\sin \theta})^{-R}| \leq i\pi(1 + \epsilon)^{-R}$$

Letting $R \rightarrow \infty$ shows that the integral goes to 0. This means

$$\int_{-R}^{-\epsilon} \frac{e^{ix}}{x} dx + \int_{\epsilon}^R \frac{e^{ix}}{x} dx = - \int_{\gamma_\epsilon^+} \frac{e^{iz}}{z} dz$$

Now observe that

$$\frac{e^{iz}}{z} = \sum_{n=1}^\infty \frac{(iz)^n}{n!} = \frac{1 + O(z)}{z} = \frac{1}{z} + O(1)$$

So that we have

$$-\int_{\gamma_\epsilon^+} \frac{e^{iz}}{z} dz \approx -\int_{\gamma_\epsilon^+} \frac{1}{z} dz = -\int_\pi^0 \frac{i\epsilon e^{i\theta}}{\epsilon e^{i\theta}} d\theta = \int_0^\pi i d\theta = \pi i$$

Letting $\epsilon \rightarrow 0$ and $R \rightarrow \infty$ gives that

$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{\sin x}{x} dx = \pi i$$

We then apply the original identity (dividing by $2i$) to see that

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

Note: I think the hint in the book is a typo because the extra -1 in the numerator interferes with the limiting computation.

Exercise 2.6.6:

There are two cases

1. w is in the interior of T .
2. w is on the boundary of T .

We treat both individually. Suppose that w is an interior point of T . Then we will integrate around a “keyhole” toy contour as outlined on page 42 of the text. In this case we let the width of the “corridor” be ϵ for any choice of $\epsilon > 0$. Consequently, we can apply Cauchy’s theorem to see that for any $\epsilon > 0$ the integral about the contour is zero. So we only need to deal with the small disk that forms around w . Because f is bounded near w we can make the estimate

$$\left| \int_{\gamma_\epsilon} f(z) dz \right| \leq \int_{\gamma_\epsilon} |f(z)| dz \leq \int_0^{2\pi} M \epsilon e^{i\theta} d\theta \leq \epsilon 2M\pi$$

So the integral around the inner loop goes to zero as $\epsilon \rightarrow 0$.

If w is on the boundary of T . Then we choose a slightly different contour: instead of a “corridor” we just use a semicircle around w . This is analogous to the the construction on page 44 of the text, except the contour is cut out of a triangle instead of a larger semicircle. Again, we apply Cauchy’s theorem to see that the integral around the whole contour is zero as $\epsilon \rightarrow 0$ by estimating again. We make the same estimate as before

$$\left| \int_{\gamma_\epsilon} f(z) dz \right| \leq \int_{\gamma_\epsilon} |f(z)| dz \leq \int_0^\pi M \epsilon e^{i\theta} d\theta \leq \epsilon M\pi$$

Which goes to zero. Hence, the integral around the entire contour is zero.

So the claim holds in both cases, and therefore if w is any element of T and f is bounded in a neighbor of w then

$$\int_T f(z) dz = 0$$

Exercise 2.6.11:

(a) We need to show that when $0 < R < R_0$ and $|z| < R$ that

$$f(z) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} f(Re^{i\varphi}) \operatorname{Re} \left(\frac{Re^{i\varphi} + z}{Re^{i\varphi} - z} \right) d\varphi$$

We begin with the right hand side, multiplying by the conjugate to separate and get

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} f(Re^{i\varphi}) \operatorname{Re} \left(\frac{Re^{i\varphi} + z}{Re^{i\varphi} - z} \right) d\varphi &= \frac{1}{4\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} f(Re^{i\varphi}) \operatorname{Re} \left(\frac{Re^{i\varphi} + z}{Re^{i\varphi} - z} + \frac{Re^{-i\varphi} + \bar{z}}{Re^{-i\varphi} - \bar{z}} \right) d\varphi \\ &= \frac{1}{4\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} f(Re^{i\varphi}) \operatorname{Re} \left(2 \frac{Re^{i\varphi}}{Re^{i\varphi} - z} - \frac{2\bar{z}}{\bar{z} - Re^{-i\varphi}} \right) d\varphi \end{aligned}$$

Now we distribute and break up the computation as follows

$$\begin{aligned} &\frac{1}{4\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} f(Re^{i\varphi}) \operatorname{Re} \left(2 \frac{Re^{i\varphi}}{Re^{i\varphi} - z} - \frac{2\bar{z}}{\bar{z} - Re^{-i\varphi}} \right) d\varphi \\ &= \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_0^{2\pi} f(Re^{i\varphi}) \frac{iRe^{i\varphi}}{Re^{i\varphi} - z} d\varphi + \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} f(Re^{i\varphi}) \frac{iRe^{i\varphi}}{Re^{i\varphi} - R^2 \bar{z}^{-1}} d\varphi \end{aligned}$$

Now observe that we can apply the Cauchy integral formula to see

$$f(z) = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_0^{2\pi} f(Re^{i\varphi}) \frac{iRe^{i\varphi}}{Re^{i\varphi} - z} d\varphi$$

Then we note that

$$\frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} f(Re^{i\varphi}) \frac{iRe^{i\varphi}}{Re^{i\varphi} - R^2 \bar{z}^{-1}} d\varphi = 0$$

is an analytic function on the interior of $|z| < R$

(b) We begin by computing

$$\frac{Re^{i\gamma} + r}{Re^{i\gamma} - r} = \frac{R \cos \gamma + iR \sin \gamma + r}{R \cos \gamma + iR \sin \gamma - r}$$

Now rationalize the denominator to get

$$\frac{R \cos \gamma + iR \sin \gamma + r}{R \cos \gamma + iR \sin \gamma - r} = \frac{(R \cos \gamma + iR \sin \gamma + r)(R \cos \gamma + iR \sin \gamma - r)}{(R \cos \gamma - r)^2 + R^2 \sin^2 \gamma}$$

We do the multiplication to see

$$\frac{(R \cos \gamma + iR \sin \gamma + r)(R \cos \gamma + iR \sin \gamma - r)}{(R \cos \gamma - r)^2 + R^2 \sin^2 \gamma} = \frac{(R^2 \cos^2 \gamma + R^2 \sin^2 \gamma - r^2) - i(2Rr \sin \gamma)}{R^2 - 2Rr \cos \gamma + r^2}$$

Taking the real part confirms that

$$\operatorname{Re} \left(\frac{Re^{i\gamma} + r}{Re^{i\gamma} - r} \right) = \frac{R^2 - r^2}{R^2 - 2Rr \cos \gamma + r^2}$$

Exercise 2.6.12:

(a) Following the hint, we recall that $f'(z) = 2\partial u/\partial z$. Consider $g(z) = 2\partial u z$. We want to show that g is holomorphic. Indeed, observe that

$$\frac{\partial g}{\partial \bar{z}} = 2 \frac{\partial u}{\partial \bar{z}} \frac{\partial u}{\partial z} = 0$$

by the equality of mixed partials. Hence, g is holomorphic.

Now we apply Theorem 2.2.1 to see that g must have a primitive, say f . Then we compute

$$\frac{\partial \operatorname{Re}(f)}{\partial z} = \frac{1}{2} \frac{\partial f}{\partial z} = \frac{1}{2} g = \frac{\partial u}{\partial z}$$

As a result, $\operatorname{Re}(f)$ differs from u by some real constant k . Hence, $f(z)$ is the desired function.

(b) We apply the previous exercise (11) to the function

$$f(z) = u(z) + iv(z)$$

So we get

$$f(z) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} (u(e^{i\theta}) + iv(e^{i\theta})) \operatorname{Re} \left(\frac{e^{i\theta} + z}{e^{i\theta} - z} \right) d\theta$$

Now we apply (a) to separate the real part and see

$$\begin{aligned} u(re^{i\varphi}) &= \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} u(e^{i\theta}) \operatorname{Re} \left(\frac{e^{i\theta} + re^{i\varphi}}{e^{i\theta} - re^{i\varphi}} \right) d\theta \\ &= \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} u(e^{i\theta}) \operatorname{Re} \left(\frac{e^{i(\theta-\varphi)} + r}{e^{i(\theta-\varphi)} - r} \right) d\theta \\ &= \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} u(e^{i\theta}) \frac{1 - r^2}{1 - 2r \cos(\varphi - \theta) + r^2} d\theta \\ &= \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} P_r(\varphi - \theta) u(e^{i\theta}) d\theta \end{aligned}$$

as desired.