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1.

Let $f : D \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$, where D is an open domain with $0 \in D$. If f is holomorphic on D , then there exists an open disc $B_r(0) \subseteq D$ where the restriction of f to the disc $B_r(0)$ is also holomorphic. This implies that there exists a power series expansion of f centered at 0:

$$f(z) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n z^n.$$

If we differentiate f , then the k -th derivative of f at 0 is determined by

$$f^{(k)}(z) = \sum_{n=k}^{\infty} \frac{n!}{(n-k)!} a_n z^{n-k}$$

and hence $f^{(k)}(0) = k!a_k$, since all other terms vanish upon evaluation. Allow me to strive for a contradiction. If f is holomorphic and $f^{(k)}(0) = (k!)^2$, then $a_k = k!$ which follows from the derivation above. However, if $a_k = k!$, then the power series no longer converges at 0, and it's radius of convergence is simply the singleton $\{0\}$. Applying the ratio test,

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$$\begin{aligned} \frac{1}{R} &= \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \left| \frac{a_{k+1}}{a_k} \right| \\ &= \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \frac{(k+1)k!}{k!} \\ &= \infty, \end{aligned}$$

hence $R = 0$. This implies that f cannot be holomorphic since the power series expansion no longer converges on an open disc, alas we have obtained a contradiction. Therefore there is no holomorphic function f such that $f^{(k)}(0) = (k!)^2$.

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2.

Consider the function $F : (0, \infty) \setminus \{1\} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ defined by the integral $F(r) = \int_{C_r} \frac{z + e^z}{z^2(z-i)}$. To evaluate this integral, I will proceed by first invoking partial fraction decomposition to separate the denominator terms and then I will invoke Cauchy's integral formula on each term separately. Firstly, we wish to determine coefficients A , B and C such that

$$\frac{1}{z^2(z-i)} = \frac{A}{z^2} + \frac{B}{z-i}.$$

Multiplying through,

$$\begin{aligned} 1 &= A(z-i) + Bz^2 \\ &= Bz^2 + Az - Ai \end{aligned}$$

which implies that $A = i$, and thus $B = -\frac{i}{z}$. Then $\frac{1}{z^2(z-i)} = \frac{i}{z^2} - \frac{i}{z(z-i)}$. Applying partial fraction decomposition again to the second term,

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{1}{z(z-i)} &= \frac{A'}{z} + \frac{B'}{z-i} \implies A'z - A'i + B'z = 1 \\ \implies A' &= i, B' = -i. \end{aligned}$$

Therefore the integrand is expanded by partial fraction decomposition as

$$\frac{1}{z^2(z-i)} = \frac{i}{z^2} - i \left(\frac{i}{z} - \frac{i}{z-i} \right) = \frac{i}{z^2} + \frac{1}{z} - \frac{1}{z-i}.$$

Now, applying Cauchy's integral formula,

$$F(r) = i \int_{|z|=r} \frac{z + e^z}{z^2} dz + \int_{|z|=r} \frac{z + e^z}{z} dz - \int_{|z|=r} \frac{z + e^z}{z-i} dz.$$

Since $g(z) = z + e^z$ is a holomorphic function on \mathbb{C} , then we may apply Cauchy's (Generalized) Integral Formula to each of the three terms. We may observe that whenever $r < 1$, then third integrand vanishes since $i \notin B_1(0)$. Since 0 is an element in any open ball centered at 0, then the first two integrands are non-zero.

- We have that $i \int_{|z|=r} \frac{z + e^z}{z^2} dz = i \frac{2\pi i}{1!} \frac{d}{dz} [z + e^z] \Big|_{z=0} = -2\pi(1 + e^{(0)}) = -4\pi$, by Cauchy's Generalized integral formula.

- Secondly, $\int_{|z|=r} \frac{z+e^z}{z} dz = 2\pi i(0+e^0) = 2\pi i$.
- Lastly, $\int_{|z|=r} \frac{z+e^z}{z-i} dz = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } r < 1 \\ 2\pi i(i+e^i) & \text{if } r > 1 \end{cases}$ since Cauchy's integral formula applies only when $i \in \text{In}(C_r)$, and is zero otherwise.

Therefore, summing each of the results of each of the three terms above, we obtain that $F(r) = -4\pi + 2\pi i = 2\pi(i-2)$ for $r < 1$, and $F(r) = -4\pi + 2\pi i - 2\pi + 2\pi i e^i = 2\pi(i-3+ie^i)$ for $r > 1$. Alas

$$F(r) = \begin{cases} 2\pi(i-2) & \text{if } r < 1 \\ 2\pi(i-3+ie^i) & \text{if } r > 1 \end{cases}$$

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Proof.

- Assume that $f : \mathbb{C} \rightarrow \{z \in \mathbb{C} : \text{Re}(z) > 0\}$ is an entire function. Consider the function composition $g : \mathbb{C} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ given by $g(z) = e^{-f(z)}$. Since $f(z)$ is entire and e^{-z} is also an entire function, then $g(z)$ is an entire function.

- Allow me to write f as a decomposition of real and complex components, so $f(z) = u(x, y) + iv(x, y)$ and thus $g(z) = e^{-u-iv}$. If $\text{range}(f) \subset \{z \in \mathbb{C} : \text{Re}(z) > 0\}$, then it must be that $u > 0$ since u represents the real component of f . correct +10
- Now, $|g(z)| = |e^{-u-iv}| = |e^{-u}| < e^0 = 1$, since $u > 0$, hence $g(z)$ is bounded above by a constant $M = 1 > 0$. By Liouville's theorem, $g(z)$ must be constant since g is entire and bounded.
- If $g(z)$ is constant, then it must be that $g'(z) = 0$: $\frac{d}{dz}[e^{-f(z)}] = -e^{-f(z)}f'(z) = 0$. However, since $e^{-f(z)}$ can never be zero, then it must be that $f'(z) = 0$.
- Thus $f'(z) = 0$, and therefore f must be constant as well, which is what I wanted to prove. ■

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4.

For this question, consider the function f given by $f(z) = \frac{z^2 - z}{2z^2 - z - 1} + z^2 \sin\left(\frac{1}{z}\right)$.

(a) To determine the singularities of f and their types, I may begin by factoring the polynomial in the denominator of the first term, then expanding each term as a power series centered around each respective singularity. First note that $2z^2 - z - 1 = (z - 1)(2z + 1)$. It is now easier to observe that the singularities of f are $z = 1$, $z = -\frac{1}{2}$, and $z = 0$ due to the argument of the sin term. Then, by factoring.

$$f(z) = \frac{z^2 - z}{(z-1)(2z+1)} + z^2 \sin\left(\frac{1}{z}\right).$$

Theorem: For a Laurant series $f(z) = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} a_n(z-z_0)^n$:

- (i) If $a_n = 0$ for all $n < 0$, then the point z_0 constitutes a removable singularity.
- (ii) If there exists an m such that $a_n = 0$ for all $n < -m$, then z_0 constitutes a pole of order m .
- (iii) If there are infinitely many $a_n \neq 0$ for $n < 0$, then the point z_0 corresponds to an essential singularity.

**This theorem was proved in class.* To determine the types of these three singularities, I may proceed by analyzing the Laurant series of the expansion around each of these points, then apply the theorem to each z_0 . For $f(z)$, we may examine each term separately then determine each of the singularity types individually.

$z_0 = 1$: Allow me to write $z^2 - z$ in terms of a power series centered at $z_0 = 1$:

$$\begin{aligned} z^2 - z &= A + B(z-1) + C(z-1)^2 = (A-B+C) + (B-2C)z + Cz^2 \\ \Rightarrow C &= 1, \Rightarrow B = 1, \Rightarrow A = 0. \end{aligned}$$

Therefore

$$\frac{z^2 - z}{(z-1)(2z+1)} = \frac{z-1}{(z-1)(2z+1)} + \frac{(z-1)^2}{(z-1)(2z+1)} = \frac{1}{2z+1} + \frac{z-1}{2z+1}.$$

As a series, we just have $\frac{1}{2z+1} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (z-1)^n$. Now, since the coefficients of the Laurant Series centered around $z_0 = 1$ are only a_0 and a_1 , then **$z_0 = 1$ is a removable singularity.**

$z_0 = -\frac{1}{2}$: As in the previous case, allow me to begin by expanding $z^2 - z$ in terms of a power series centered at $z_0 = -\frac{1}{2}$:

$$\begin{aligned} z^2 - z &= A + B(z+1/2) + C(z+1/2)^2 = (A+B/2+C/4) + (B+C)z + Cz^2 \\ \Rightarrow C &= 1, \Rightarrow B = -2, \Rightarrow A = 3/4. \end{aligned}$$

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Expanding as a power series in terms of $(z-1/2)$, then

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{z^2 - z}{(z-1)(2z+1)} &= \frac{3}{8(z-1)(z+1/2)} - \frac{(z+1/2)}{(z-1)(z+1/2)} + \frac{(z+1/2)^2}{2(z-1)(z+1/2)} \\ &= \frac{3}{8(z-1)(z+1/2)} - \frac{1}{(z-1)} + \frac{(z+1/2)}{2(z-1)}. \end{aligned}$$

It is not difficult to see that there are infinitely many $a_n = 0$ for $n < -1$, since the lowest

index is portrayed by the $\frac{-}{z+1/2}$ (the $n = -1$) term. Thus $z_0 = -\frac{1}{2}$ is a pole of order $m = 1$.

$z_0 = 0$: For the $z = 0$ singularity, consider the second term $z^2 \sin\left(\frac{1}{z}\right)$. To determine the type of singularity, I will determine a Laurant Series expansion of this term. The power series expansion of $\sin\left(\frac{1}{z}\right)$ is given by $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (-1)^n \frac{1}{(2n+1)!} \frac{1}{z^{2n+1}}$. This implies, by multiplying through z^2 ,

$$\begin{aligned} z^2 \sin\left(\frac{1}{z}\right) &= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (-1)^n \frac{z^2}{(2n+1)!} \frac{1}{z^{2n+1}} \\ &= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (-1)^n \frac{1}{(2n+1)!} \frac{1}{z^{2n-1}} \\ &= \sum_{n=-\infty}^0 (-1)^n \frac{1}{(2|n|+1)!} z^{2n+1}, \end{aligned}$$

where the last step is just determined by changing the index of the sum into a Laurant sum from $-\infty$ to 0. In this representation, it is obvious that there exist infinitely many coefficients $a_n \neq 0$ with $n < 0$, which then implies that $z_0 = 0$ is an essential singularity.

(b) I now wish to determine $\int_{|z|=2} f(z) dz$, which can be determined by an appropriate application of the residue theorem. In this problem I will be utilizing the Laurant Series expansions of f which I determined in the previous part of this question. First off, by the linearity of the integral,

$$\int_{|z|=2} f(z) dz = \int_{|z|=2} \frac{z^2 - z}{(z-1)(2z+1)} dz + \int_{|z|=2} z^2 \sin\left(\frac{1}{z}\right) dz.$$

If I let $g(z) = \frac{z^2 - z}{(z-1)(2z+1)}$ and $h(z) = z^2 \sin\left(\frac{1}{z}\right)$, then since each singularity $0, -1/2, 1$ is located inside $\text{In}(B_2(0))$, the residue theorem yields that

$$\int_{|z|=2} f(z) dz = 2\pi i [\text{Res}(g, 1) + \text{Res}(g, -1/2)] + 2\pi i \text{Res}(h, 0).$$

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This follows from the fact that both g and h are analytic on their domains. Now, since the residue at a point z_0 is just the value of the a_{-1} coefficient of the Laurant series of each function evaluated at the z_0 singularity, then

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Res}(g, 1) &= 0 \quad (\text{the } a_{-1} \text{ term is zero}) \\ \text{Res}(g, -1/2) &= \frac{3}{8(-1/2-1)} = -\frac{3 \cdot 2}{8 \cdot 3} = -\frac{1}{4} \end{aligned}$$

$$\operatorname{Res}(h, 0) = -\frac{1}{3!} = -\frac{1}{6},$$

which again are just simply the coefficients of the $n = -1$ term in each Laurant series expansion. Therefore

$$\begin{aligned}\int_{|z|=2} f(z) dz &= 2\pi i \left(0 - \frac{1}{4}\right) + 2\pi i \left(-\frac{1}{6}\right) \\ &= -\pi i \left(\frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{3}\right) \\ &= -\frac{5}{6}\pi i,\end{aligned}$$

which is the value of the integral I wished to determine.

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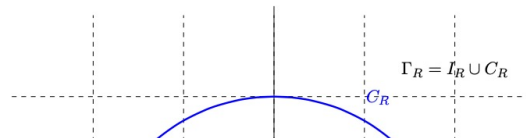
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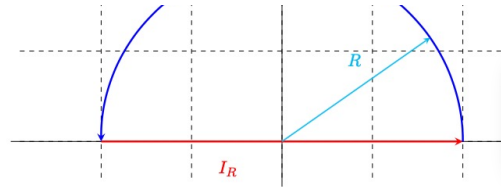
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5.

Evaluate $\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{\cos(x)}{x^4 + 1} dx$. For this problem, I will define a simple closed curve Γ_R consisting of an interval line lying on the real-axis I_R , and a semicircle counterclockwise, positively oriented curve C_R :





Correct contour. 1

Now, instead of our initial integral, consider the integral defined by $\int_{\Gamma_R} g(z) dz$ in the limit where

$R \rightarrow \infty$, where $g(z)$ is the function defined by $g(z) = \frac{e^{iz}}{z^4 + 1}$. Correct integrand. 2

$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{\cos(x)}{x^4 + 1} dx = \operatorname{Re} \left\{ \lim_{R \rightarrow \infty} \int_{\Gamma_R} \frac{e^{iz}}{z^4 + 1} dz \right\},$$

where the integral is taken over Γ_R and not all of Γ_R . I will return to this later, but for now I will evaluate $\int_{\Gamma_R} g(z) dz$.

Allow me to begin by factoring the denominator. By the fundamental theorem of algebra, $z^4 = -1$ has four solutions. These are not hard to determine and I will not take up more space finding a simple solution. They are $z = \pm\sqrt{i}$ and $z = \pm i\sqrt{i}$. By factoring, $g(z)$ then becomes

$$\frac{e^{iz}}{z^4 + 1} = \frac{e^{iz}}{(z - \sqrt{i})(z + \sqrt{i})(z - i\sqrt{i})(z + i\sqrt{i})}.$$

$g(z)$ has now four easily identifiable singularities, all of which are poles of order 1. It is important to notice that in the limit as $R \rightarrow \infty$, the only singularities located inside $\operatorname{In}(\Gamma_R)$ are the ones whose imaginary components is positive: $z = \sqrt{i}$ and $z = i\sqrt{i}$. This is determined in the following way:

$$\sqrt{i} = \left(e^{i\pi/2}\right)^{1/2} = e^{i\pi/4} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} + \frac{i}{\sqrt{2}}$$

Correct singularities. 1

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$$i\sqrt{i} = i \left(e^{i\pi/2}\right)^{1/2} = ie^{i\pi/4} = -\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} + \frac{i}{\sqrt{2}}$$

and is easy to show that $-\sqrt{i}, -i\sqrt{i}$ both have negative imaginary parts (just flip the sign). Therefore, by the residue theorem, since $g(z)$ is entire on $\mathbb{C} \setminus \{\sqrt{i}, -\sqrt{i}, i\sqrt{i}, -i\sqrt{i}\}$, we have that

$$\int_{\Gamma_R} g(z) dz = 2\pi i \left[\operatorname{Res}(g, \sqrt{i}) + \operatorname{Res}(g, i\sqrt{i}) \right].$$

Since each singularity is a pole of order 1, its respective residue is determined by

$$\lim_{z \rightarrow z_0} \frac{d}{dz} [(z - z_0)g(z)]:$$

Correct application of the

$$\begin{aligned}
 \operatorname{Res}(g, \sqrt{i}) &= \lim_{z \rightarrow \sqrt{i}} \frac{(z - \sqrt{i})e^{iz}}{(z - \sqrt{i})(z + \sqrt{i})(z - i\sqrt{i})(z + i\sqrt{i})} \\
 &= \lim_{z \rightarrow \sqrt{i}} \frac{e^{iz}}{(z + \sqrt{i})(z - i\sqrt{i})(z + i\sqrt{i})} \\
 &= \frac{e^{i\sqrt{i}}}{(2\sqrt{i})(\sqrt{i}(1-i))(\sqrt{i}(1+i))} \\
 &= \frac{e^{i\sqrt{i}}}{4i\sqrt{i}}
 \end{aligned}$$

residue theo-
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$$\begin{aligned}
 \operatorname{Res}(g, i\sqrt{i}) &= \lim_{z \rightarrow i\sqrt{i}} \frac{(z - i\sqrt{i})e^{iz}}{(z - \sqrt{i})(z + \sqrt{i})(z - i\sqrt{i})(z + i\sqrt{i})} \\
 &= \lim_{z \rightarrow i\sqrt{i}} \frac{e^{iz}}{(z - \sqrt{i})(z + \sqrt{i})(z + i\sqrt{i})} \\
 &= \frac{e^{-\sqrt{i}}}{(\sqrt{i}(i-1))(\sqrt{i}(i+1))(2i\sqrt{i})} \\
 &= \frac{e^{-\sqrt{i}}}{4\sqrt{i}}.
 \end{aligned}$$

Mostly correct cal-
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Therefore $\int_{\Gamma_R} g(z) dz = 2\pi i \left[\frac{e^{i\sqrt{i}}}{4i\sqrt{i}} + \frac{e^{-\sqrt{i}}}{4\sqrt{i}} \right]$ which, I should note, holds true for any $R > \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}$ (this doesn't necessarily matter, since we are taking $R \rightarrow \infty$ in the end anyway). Simplifying,

$$\begin{aligned}
 2\pi i \left[\frac{e^{i\sqrt{i}}}{4i\sqrt{i}} + \frac{e^{-\sqrt{i}}}{4\sqrt{i}} \right] &= \frac{\pi e^{i\sqrt{i}}}{2\sqrt{i}} + \frac{\pi i e^{-\sqrt{i}}}{2\sqrt{i}} \\
 &= -i\sqrt{i} \frac{\pi}{2} \left[e^{i\sqrt{i}} + i e^{-\sqrt{i}} \right] \\
 &= \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} - \frac{i}{\sqrt{2}} \right) \frac{\pi}{2} \left[e^{-\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} + \frac{i}{\sqrt{2}}} + e^{-\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} - \frac{i}{\sqrt{2}} + \frac{i\pi}{2}} \right] \\
 &= \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} - \frac{i}{\sqrt{2}} \right) \frac{\pi}{2} e^{-\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}} \left[e^{\frac{i}{\sqrt{2}}} + e^{i\left(\frac{\pi}{2} - \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}\right)} \right].
 \end{aligned}$$

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Now, consider the integral over the curve C_R : $\int_{C_R} g(z) dz$. By ML-Estimation, it must be that

$$\begin{aligned}
 \left| \int_{C_R} g(z) dz \right| &\leq \max_{z \in C_R} \{|g(z)|\} \cdot \text{Length}(C_R) \\
 &= \pi R \max_{z \in C_R} \left\{ \left| \frac{e^{iz}}{z^4 + 1} \right| \right\} \\
 &\leq \pi R \max_{z \in C_R} \left\{ \left| \frac{1}{z^4 + 1} \right| \right\} \quad (\text{since } |e^{iz}| = e^{-y} \leq 1, y = \operatorname{Im}(z) \geq 0 \text{ on } C_R) \\
 &\leq \pi R \max_{|z|=R} \left\{ \frac{1}{|z^4 - 1|} \right\} \quad (\text{by triangle inequality})
 \end{aligned}$$

$$= \frac{\pi R}{R^4 - 1} \quad (\text{since } |z| = R)$$

However, as $R \rightarrow \infty$, the term $\frac{\pi R}{R^4 - 1} \rightarrow 0$ becomes infinitely large:

$$\lim_{R \rightarrow \infty} \int_{C_R} g(z) dz = 0.$$

This now has huge implications on our initial integral! Note that, since Γ_R is a piecewise curve, then by linearity

$$\int_{\Gamma_R} g(z) dz = \int_{I_R} g(z) dz + \int_{C_R} g(z) dz$$

hence $\lim_{R \rightarrow \infty} \int_{\Gamma_R} g(z) dz = \lim_{R \rightarrow \infty} \int_{I_R} g(z) dz + 0$. However, the integral $\lim_{R \rightarrow \infty} \int_{\Gamma_R} g(z) dz$ has already been determined via the Residue theorem. Alas, by our initial claim,

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{\cos(x)}{x^4 + 1} dx &= \operatorname{Re} \left\{ \lim_{R \rightarrow \infty} \int_{I_R} \frac{e^{iz}}{z^4 + 1} dz \right\} = \operatorname{Re} \left\{ \lim_{R \rightarrow \infty} \int_{\Gamma_R} \frac{e^{iz}}{z^4 + 1} dz \right\} \\ &= \operatorname{Re} \left\{ \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} - \frac{i}{\sqrt{2}} \right) \frac{\pi}{2} e^{-\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}} \left[e^{\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}} + e^{i\left(\frac{\pi}{2} - \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}\right)} \right] \right\} \\ &= \operatorname{Re} \left\{ \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} - \frac{i}{\sqrt{2}} \right) \frac{\pi}{2} e^{-\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}} \left[\cos\left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}\right) + i \sin\left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}\right) + \sin\left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}\right) + i \cos\left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}\right) \right] \right\} \\ &= \frac{\pi}{2\sqrt{2}} e^{-\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}} \left[2 \cos\left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}\right) + 2 \sin\left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}\right) \right]. \end{aligned}$$

Therefore the value of the integral is

$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{\cos(x)}{x^4 + 1} dx = \frac{\pi e^{-\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}}}{\sqrt{2}} \left[\cos\left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}\right) + \sin\left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}\right) \right],$$

which is what I wanted to determine.