

SOLUTION TO PROBLEM SET 5, FYS3140

Problem 5.1 (Residue theory)

a) 14.7.17

Let us substitute $x \rightarrow z$ and $\sin x \rightarrow e^{iz}$ and start by evaluating the integral in the upper half plane,

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{x \sin x dx}{x^2 + 4x + 5} &\rightarrow \oint \frac{ze^{iz} dz}{z^2 + 4z + 5} \\ \oint \frac{ze^{iz} dz}{z^2 + 4z + 5} &= \oint \frac{ze^{iz} dz}{(z + (i + 2))(z - (i - 2))} \end{aligned}$$

$z = i - 2$ is the only pole in the upper half-plane, and its residue becomes

$$\begin{aligned} R(z = i - 2) &= \lim_{z \rightarrow (i-2)} (z - (i - 2)) \frac{ze^{iz}}{(z + (i + 2))(z - (i - 2))} \\ &= \frac{(i - 2)e^{i(i-2)}}{2i} \\ &= \frac{(i - 2)e^{i(i-2)}}{2i} \\ &= \frac{(-2 \cos 2 + \sin 2) + i(\cos 2 + 2 \sin 2)}{2ie} \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} \oint \frac{ze^{iz} dz}{(z + (i + 2))(z - (i - 2))} &= 2\pi i \cdot \left\{ \frac{(-2 \cos 2 + \sin 2) + i(\cos 2 + 2 \sin 2)}{2ie} \right\} \\ &= \pi \frac{(-2 \cos 2 + \sin 2) + i(\cos 2 + 2 \sin 2)}{e} \end{aligned}$$

Now the complex integral splits into integral along x-axis and along the semicircle. Along x-axis, $z \rightarrow x$ and on the semicircle $z \rightarrow \rho e^{i\theta}$

$$\oint \frac{ze^{iz} dz}{z^2 + 4z + 5} = \int_{-\rho}^{\rho} \frac{xe^{ix} dx}{x^2 + 4x + 5} + \int_0^{\pi} \frac{\rho e^{iz} \rho i e^{i\theta} d\theta}{\rho^2 e^{i2\theta} + 4\rho e^{i\theta} + 5}$$

taking the limit $\rho \rightarrow \infty$,

$$= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{xe^{ix} dx}{x^2 + 4x + 5} + \int_0^{\pi} \frac{e^{iz} \rho^2 i e^{i\theta} d\theta}{\rho^2 e^{i2\theta} + 4\rho e^{i\theta} + 5}$$

The second part of RHS is evaluated as follows,

$$\begin{aligned}\lim_{\rho \rightarrow \infty} \int_0^\pi \frac{e^{iz} \rho^2 i e^{i\theta} d\theta}{\rho^2 e^{i2\theta} + 4\rho e^{i\theta} + 5} &= \lim_{\rho \rightarrow \infty} \int_0^\pi e^{i(\rho \cos \theta + i\rho \sin \theta)} i e^{-i\theta} d\theta \\ &= \lim_{\rho \rightarrow \infty} i \int_0^\pi e^{i(-\theta + \rho \cos \theta)} e^{-\rho \sin \theta} d\theta \\ &= 0\end{aligned}$$

where we know that $|e^{iy}| = 1$, and $e^{-\rho \sin \theta}$ vanishes as $\rho \rightarrow \infty$ ($\sin \theta$ is positive in upper half plane). You can also apply Jordan's lemma. Therefore,

$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{x e^{ix} dx}{x^2 + 4x + 5} = \pi \frac{(-2 \cos 2 + \sin 2) + i(\cos 2 + 2 \sin 2)}{e}$$

Equating the real and imaginary parts of the two sides, we get

$$\begin{aligned}\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{x e^{ix} dx}{x^2 + 4x + 5} &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{x \cos x dx}{x^2 + 4x + 5} + i \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{x \sin x dx}{x^2 + 4x + 5} \\ &= \pi \frac{(-2 \cos 2 + \sin 2) + i(\cos 2 + 2 \sin 2)}{e} \\ &\Rightarrow \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{x \sin x dx}{x^2 + 4x + 5} = \frac{\pi}{e} (\cos 2 + 2 \sin 2)\end{aligned}$$

b) 14.7.24

We use same procedure here as the previous problem. Making substitutions $x \rightarrow z$ and $\sin x \rightarrow e^{iz}$, we start by evaluating the following complex integral in the upper half-plane. i.e

$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{x \sin \pi x}{1 - x^2} dx \rightarrow \oint \frac{z e^{i\pi z} dz}{1 - z^2}$$

here the poles $z = 1$ and $z = -1$ are at the boundary. Residue method is not generally correct when multiple poles are present at the boundary. Thus, I will evaluate the integral directly by excluding the poles from our region by creating small circles of radius r about each pole.

$$\oint \frac{z e^{i\pi z} dz}{1 - z^2} = 0 \quad (*)$$

Now we let the small circles to vanish by taking the limit $r \rightarrow 0$.

For semicircle around $z = 1$ the following substitutions will be made: $z = 1 + r e^{i\theta}$; $dz = r i e^{i\theta} d\theta = i(z - 1) d\theta$. When $r \rightarrow 0$; then $z \rightarrow 1$; and $e^{i\pi z} \rightarrow -1$. the integral around the small semicircle about $z = 1$ is thus

$$\begin{aligned}
\lim_{r \rightarrow 0} \int_{C'} \frac{ze^{i\pi z} dz}{(1-z)(1+z)} &= \int_{C'} \frac{i}{2} d\theta \\
&= \int_{\pi}^0 \frac{i}{2} d\theta \\
&= \frac{-i\pi}{2}
\end{aligned}$$

similarly, for semicircle around $z = -1$, we make substitutions: $z = -1 + re^{i\theta}$; $dz = rie^{i\theta} d\theta = i(z+1)d\theta$. When $r \rightarrow 0$; then $z \rightarrow -1$; and $e^{i\pi z} \rightarrow -1$, hence

$$\lim_{r \rightarrow 0} \int_{C'} \frac{ze^{i\pi z} dz}{(1-z)(1+z)} = \frac{-i\pi}{2}$$

Now we resolve the integral in eqn (*) into six components, i.e. along x-axis; along the two small circles of radius r ; and along the larger semicircle of radius ρ . i.e.

$$\begin{aligned}
\oint \frac{ze^{i\pi z} dz}{1-z^2} &= \overbrace{\int_{-\rho}^{-1-r} \frac{xe^{i\pi x} dx}{1-x^2} + \int_{-1+r}^{1-r} \frac{xe^{i\pi x} dx}{1-x^2} + \int_{1+r}^{\rho} \frac{xe^{i\pi x} dx}{1-x^2}}^1 \\
&+ \underbrace{\oint_{C'_1} \frac{ze^{i\pi z} dz}{1-z^2} + \oint_{C'_{-1}} \frac{ze^{i\pi z} dz}{1-z^2}}_2 \\
&+ \underbrace{\oint_{C'_{big}} \frac{ze^{i\pi z} dz}{1-z^2}}_3 \\
&= 0
\end{aligned}$$

when we take the limit as $r \rightarrow 0$ and $\rho \rightarrow \infty$, integral (1) gives $\int_{-\infty}^{\infty}()$; integral (2) is $-i\pi$; and integral (3) vanishes by the Jordan's lemma or the technique we used in the previous problem. Thus,

$$\begin{aligned}
\oint \frac{ze^{i\pi z} dz}{1-z^2} &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{xe^{i\pi x} dx}{1-x^2} - i\pi = 0 \\
\Rightarrow \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{xe^{i\pi x} dx}{1-x^2} &= i\pi
\end{aligned}$$

by equating real and imaginary parts of the two sides, we get

$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{x \sin \pi x}{1-x^2} dx = \pi$$

c)

The poles are $z_1 = -1$ and $z_2 = 2$, both are inside $|z| = 3$, and both are simple poles. We find

$$\begin{aligned} \oint \frac{\cos(z-1) dz}{(z+1)(z-2)} &= 2\pi i (R(-1) + R(2)) \\ &= 2\pi i \left(\frac{\cos(-2)}{-3} + \frac{\cos(1)}{3} \right) \\ &= \frac{2\pi i}{3} (\cos 1 - \cos 2) \end{aligned} \quad (1)$$

d)

The poles are at $z_1 = 1$ and $z_2 = -1$, which is clear from rewriting the integral as

$$\oint \frac{e^{-z} dz}{(z+1)^2(z-1)^2} \quad (2)$$

The poles are of second order, so

$$R(1) = \lim_{z \rightarrow 1} \frac{d}{dz} \left(\frac{e^{-z}}{(z+1)^2} \right) = \frac{-e^{-1} \cdot 2^2 - 2e^{-1} \cdot 2}{2^4} = \frac{-e^{-1}}{2} = \frac{-1}{2e} \quad (3)$$

and

$$R(-1) = \lim_{z \rightarrow -1} \frac{d}{dz} \left(\frac{e^{-z}}{(z-1)^2} \right) = \frac{-e^1 \cdot 2^2 - 2e^1 \cdot (-2)}{2^4} = 0 \quad (4)$$

so

$$\oint \frac{e^{-z} dz}{(z+1)^2(z-1)^2} = 2\pi i \cdot \frac{-1}{2e} = \frac{-i\pi}{e} \quad (5)$$

Problem 5.2

a)

Solve

$$dy + (2xy - xe^{-x^2})dx = 0 \quad (6)$$

This is equivalent to

$$y' + 2xy = xe^{-x^2} \quad (7)$$

we identify $P(x) = 2x$ and $Q(x) = xe^{-x^2}$. We have

$$\mu(x) = e^{\int P(x) dx} = e^{\int 2x dx} = e^{x^2} \quad (8)$$

which gives us the new differential equation

$$(y\mu(x))' = \mu(x)xe^{-x^2} = x \quad (9)$$

with the solution

$$y(x) = \left(\frac{1}{2}x^2 + C \right) e^{-x^2} \quad (10)$$

b)

Solve

$$y' + y \cos x = \sin 2x \quad (11)$$

We identify $P(x) = \cos x$ and $Q(x) = \sin 2x$. We find

$$\mu(x) = e^{\int P(x) dx} = e^{\int \cos x dx} = e^{\sin x} \quad (12)$$

The new differential equation reads

$$(y\mu(x))' = \mu(x) \sin 2x = e^{\sin x} \sin 2x = 2e^{\sin x} \sin x \cos x \quad (13)$$

By integrating over x the LHS becomes $y(x)\mu(x)$. The RHS becomes

$$\begin{aligned} \int e^{\sin x} \sin 2x dx &= \int e^{\sin x} 2 \sin x \cos x dx \\ &= 2 \int u e^u du \\ &= 2e^{\sin x} \sin x - 2e^{\sin x} + C \\ &= 2e^{\sin x} (\sin x - 1) + C \end{aligned} \quad (14)$$

and therefore the solution is

$$y(x) = 2 \sin x - 2 + C e^{-\sin x} \quad (15)$$

c)

Solve

$$y' \cos x + y = \cos^2 x \quad (16)$$

In canonical form it is

$$y' + \frac{1}{\cos x} y = \cos x \quad (17)$$

and we identify $P(x) = 1/\cos x$ and $Q(x) = \cos x$. The integrating factor is

$$\mu(x) = e^{\int P(x) dx} = e^{\int 1/\cos x dx} \quad (18)$$

The integral is

$$\begin{aligned} \int \frac{1}{\cos x} dx &= \int \frac{1}{\cos x} \frac{du}{\cos x} \\ &= \int \frac{1}{\cos^2 x} du \\ &= \int \frac{1}{1-u^2} du \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \int \frac{1}{1+u} + \frac{1}{1-u} du \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \ln \left| \frac{1+u}{1-u} \right| \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \ln \left| \frac{1+\sin x}{1-\sin x} \right| \end{aligned} \quad (19)$$

where we have used the change of variable $u = \sin x$ and done partial fraction decomposition,

$$\frac{1}{1-u^2} = \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{1}{1+u} + \frac{1}{1-u} \right) \quad (20)$$

Now that we have the integral, the integrating factor becomes

$$\mu(x) = e^{\int P(x) dx} = \left(\frac{1 + \sin x}{1 - \sin x} \right)^{1/2} \quad (21)$$

since both numerator and denominator are positive semidefinite. Finally, the differential equation becomes

$$\begin{aligned} y(x)\mu(x) &= \int \mu(x)R(x) dx \\ &= \int \left(\frac{1 + \sin x}{1 - \sin x} \right)^{1/2} \cos x dx \\ &= \int \left(\frac{1 + u}{1 - u} \right)^{1/2} du \\ &= \int (1 + u) \frac{1}{\sqrt{1 - u^2}} du \end{aligned} \quad (22)$$

We do integration by parts with $v = (1 + u)$, $w' = 1/\sqrt{1 - u^2}$ which gives

$$\begin{aligned} y(x)\mu(x) &= (1 + u) \arcsin(u) - \int \arcsin(u) du \\ &= (1 + u) \arcsin(u) - \sqrt{1 - u^2} - u \cdot \arcsin(u) + C \\ &= (1 + \sin x) \arcsin(\sin x) - \sqrt{1 - \sin^2 x} - \sin x \cdot \arcsin(\sin x) + C \\ &= \arcsin(\sin x) - |\cos x| + C \end{aligned} \quad (23)$$

Note that we *cannot* replace $\arcsin(\sin x)$ with x here! The function $f(x) = \arcsin(\sin x)$ behaves as x from $x = 0$ to $x = \pi/2$, like $-x$ from $x = \pi/2$ to $x = \pi$ etc. It has the property that

$$\frac{d}{dz}(\arcsin(\sin x)) = \frac{\cos x}{|\cos x|} \quad (24)$$

Finally the solution is

$$y(x) = \left(\frac{1 - \sin x}{1 + \sin x} \right)^{1/2} (\arcsin(\sin x) - |\cos x| + C) = \frac{1 - \sin x}{|\cos x|} (\arcsin(\sin x) - |\cos x| + C) \quad (25)$$

Note that it is not defined for $x = \pi/2 + k\pi$, because the differential equation in canonical form was not defined at those points. The original differential equation demands that

$$y(\pi/2 + k\pi) = 0 \quad (26)$$

Problem 5.3

a)

Solve the differential equation

$$4y'' + 12y' + 9y = 0 \quad (27)$$

The auxilliary equation is

$$4\lambda^2 + 12\lambda + 9 = 0 \quad (28)$$

which has two coinciding solutions

$$\lambda_1 = \lambda_2 = -\frac{3}{2} \quad (29)$$

The solution is therefore

$$y(x) = C_1 e^{-3x/2} + C_2 x e^{-3x/2} \quad (30)$$

b)

The auxilliary equation is

$$\lambda^2 - 4\lambda + 13 = 0 \quad (31)$$

which has complex solutions

$$\lambda_1 = 2 + 3i \quad \lambda_2 = 2 - 3i \quad (32)$$

The solution is therefore

$$y(x) = e^{2x} (C_1 e^{3ix} + C_2 e^{-3ix}) = e^{2x} (A \cos(3x) + B \sin(3x)) \quad (33)$$