

**Homework 6**

Due: Wednesday, November 18, 2020

**Question 1.** (AF 4.1.1) . Evaluate the integrals

$$\frac{1}{2\pi i} \oint_C f(z) dz$$

where  $C$  is the unit circle centered at the origin with  $f(z)$  given below. (a)  $\frac{z+1}{2z^3-3z^2-2z}$  (b)  $\frac{\cosh(1/z)}{z}$  (c)  $\frac{e^{-\cosh z}}{4z^2+\pi^2}$  (d)  $\frac{\ln(z+2)}{2z+1}$ ,  $-\pi < \arg(z+2) \leq \pi$  (e)  $\frac{(z+1/z)}{z(2z-1/2z)}$

(a)  $\frac{z+1}{2z^3-3z^2-2z} = \frac{z+1}{z(2z+1)(z-2)}$ , simple poles at 0 and  $-\frac{1}{2}$  in  $C$ .

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{1}{2\pi i} \oint_C f(z) dz &= \sum_j \text{Res} \{f(z); z_j\} \\ &= \left( \frac{z+1}{6z^2-6z-2} \right)_0 + \left( \frac{z+1}{6z^2-6z-2} \right)_{-\frac{1}{2}} \\ &= -\frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{5} \\ &= -\frac{3}{10} \end{aligned}$$

(b) Consider the pole at infinity

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{1}{2\pi i} \oint_C f(z) dz &= \text{Res} \{f(z); z = \infty\} \\ &= \text{Res} \left\{ \frac{\cosh(t)}{t}; t = 0 \right\} \\ &= (\cosh(t))_0 \\ &= 1 \end{aligned}$$

(c)  $\frac{e^{-\cosh z}}{4z^2+\pi^2} = \frac{e^{-\cosh z}}{(2z+i\pi)(2z-i\pi)}$ , simple poles at  $\pm \frac{i\pi}{2}$ , which are not in  $C$ . Thus the integral is 0 by Cauchy's theorem.

(d)

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{1}{2\pi i} \oint_C f(z) dz &= \text{Res} \left\{ f(z); z = -\frac{1}{2} \right\} \\ &= \left( \frac{\ln(z+2)}{2} \right)_{-\frac{1}{2}} \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \ln \frac{3}{2} \end{aligned}$$

(e) Consider the pole at infinity

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{1}{2\pi i} \oint_C f(z) dz &= \text{Res} \{f(z); z = \infty\} \\&= \text{Res} \left\{ \frac{1}{t^2} \frac{\frac{1}{t} + t}{\frac{1}{t}(\frac{2}{t} - \frac{t}{2})}; t = 0 \right\} \\&= \text{Res} \left\{ \frac{2(t + t^3)}{t^2(4 - t^2)}; t = 0 \right\} \\&= \lim_{t \rightarrow 0} \frac{d}{dz} \left( \frac{2(t + t^3)}{4 - t^2} \right) \\&= \lim_{t \rightarrow 0} \frac{(4 - t^2)(2 + 6t^2) + 2t(2t + 2t^3)}{(4 - t^2)^2} \\&= \frac{1}{2}\end{aligned}$$

**Question 2.** Show that  $\int_0^\infty \frac{\sin x}{x(x^2+1)} dx = \frac{\pi}{2} \left(1 - \frac{1}{e}\right)$

Since the integrand is even, we have

$$\begin{aligned} I &= \int_0^\infty \frac{\sin x}{x(x^2+1)} dx = \frac{1}{2} \int_{-\infty}^\infty \frac{\sin x}{x(x^2+1)} dx \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \operatorname{Im} \int_{-\infty}^\infty \frac{e^{ix}}{x(x^2+1)} dx \end{aligned}$$

Let  $f(z) = \frac{1}{z(z^2+1)}$ . Since  $|f(z)| \rightarrow 0$  as  $|z| \rightarrow \infty$ , by Jordan's lemma we can complete the contour in UHP

$$\begin{aligned} I &= \frac{1}{2} \operatorname{Im} \oint \frac{e^{iz}}{z(z^2+1)} dz \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \operatorname{Im} 2\pi i \operatorname{Res} \left\{ \frac{e^{iz}}{z(z^2+1)}; z=i \right\} + \pi i \operatorname{Res} \left\{ \frac{e^{iz}}{z(z^2+1)}; z=0 \right\} \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \operatorname{Im} 2\pi i \left( \frac{e^{iz}}{3z^2+1} \right)_i + \pi i \left( \frac{e^{iz}}{3z^2+1} \right)_0 \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \operatorname{Im} 2\pi i \left( -\frac{1}{2e} \right) + \pi i \\ &= \frac{\pi}{2} \left( 1 - \frac{1}{e} \right) \end{aligned}$$

**Question 3.** Consider the function

$$f(z) = \ln(z^2 - 1)$$

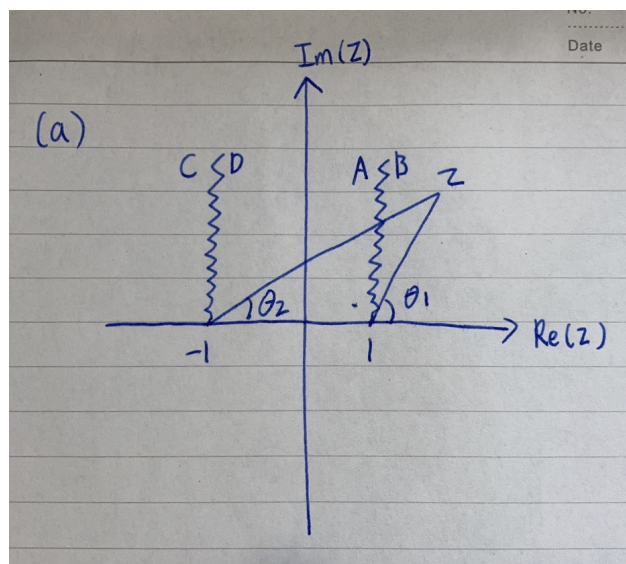
made single-valued by restricting the angles in the following ways, with  $z_1 \equiv z - 1 = r_1 e^{i\theta_1}$ ,  $z_2 \equiv z + 1 = r_2 e^{i\theta_2}$  (a)  $-\frac{3\pi}{2} < \theta_1 \leq \frac{\pi}{2}$ ,  $-\frac{3\pi}{2} < \theta_2 \leq \frac{\pi}{2}$  (b)  $0 < \theta_1 \leq 2\pi$ ,  $0 < \theta_2 \leq 2\pi$  (c)  $-\pi < \theta_1 \leq \pi$ ,  $0 < \theta_2 \leq 2\pi$  Find where the branch cuts are for each case by locating where the function is discontinuous. Use the AB tests and show your results.

We have  $f(z) = \ln(z^2 - 1) = \ln r_1 r_2 e^{i(\theta_1 + \theta_2)} = \ln r_1 r_2 + i(\theta_1 + \theta_2)$ . We draw our AB points in Figure 1.

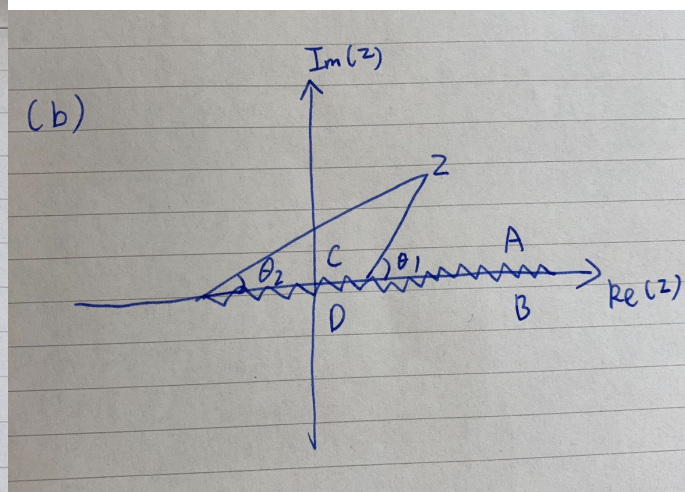
(a) At A,  $\theta_1 = -\frac{3\pi}{2}$ . At B,  $\theta_1 = \frac{\pi}{2}$ .  $\theta_2$  is the same at A and B.  $f(A) = \ln r_1 r_2 + i(\theta_2 - \frac{3\pi}{2})$ ,  $f(B) = \ln r_1 r_2 + i(\theta_2 + \frac{\pi}{2})$ , then  $f(z)$  is discontinuous across  $z = 1$ . At C,  $\theta_2 = -\frac{3\pi}{2}$ . At D,  $\theta_2 = \frac{\pi}{2}$ .  $\theta_1$  is the same at C and D.  $f(C) = \ln r_1 r_2 + i(\theta_1 - \frac{3\pi}{2})$ ,  $f(D) = \ln r_1 r_2 + i(\theta_1 + \frac{\pi}{2})$ , then  $f(z)$  is discontinuous across  $z = -1$ .

(b) At A,  $\theta_1 = \theta_2 = 0$ . At B,  $\theta_1 = \theta_2 = 2\pi$ .  $f(A) = \ln r_1 r_2$ ,  $f(B) = \ln r_1 r_2 + 4\pi i$ , then  $f(z)$  is discontinuous across  $z > 1$ . At C,  $\theta_1 = \pi$ ,  $\theta_2 = 0$ . At D,  $\theta_1 = \pi$ ,  $\theta_2 = 2\pi$ .  $f(C) = \ln r_1 r_2 + \pi i$ ,  $f(D) = \ln r_1 r_2 + 3\pi i$ , then  $f(z)$  is discontinuous across  $-1 < z < 1$ .

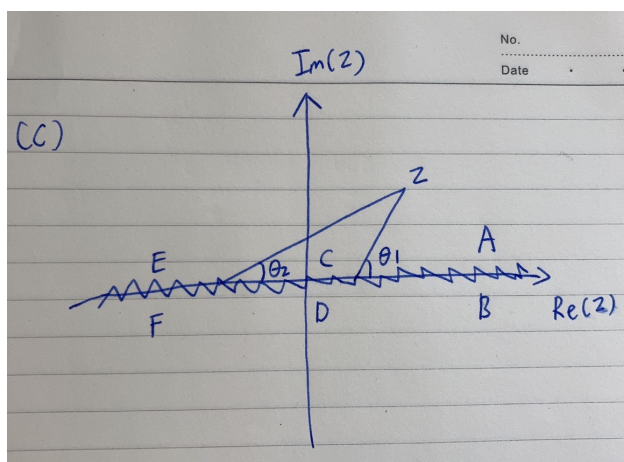
(c) At A,  $\theta_1 = \theta_2 = 0$ . At B,  $\theta_1 = 0$ ,  $\theta_2 = 2\pi$ .  $f(A) = \ln r_1 r_2$ ,  $f(B) = \ln r_1 r_2 + 2\pi i$ , then  $f(z)$  is discontinuous across  $z > 1$ . At C,  $\theta_1 = \pi$ ,  $\theta_2 = 0$ . At D,  $\theta_1 = -\pi$ ,  $\theta_2 = 2\pi$ .  $f(C) = \ln r_1 r_2 + \pi i = f(D)$ , then  $f(z)$  is continuous across  $-1 < z < 1$ . At E,  $\theta_1 = \pi$ ,  $\theta_2 = \pi$ . At F,  $\theta_1 = -\pi$ ,  $\theta_2 = \pi$ .  $f(E) = \ln r_1 r_2 + 2\pi i$ ,  $f(F) = \ln r_1 r_2$ , then  $f(z)$  is discontinuous across  $z < -1$ .



(a)



(b)



(c)

Figure 1: Branch cuts of  $f(z)$  in Question 3