一个积分

求实积分 $I_{r,n} = \int_0^{+\infty} \frac{dx}{r^{2n} + x^{2n}}$, 这里r > 0, n是正整数.

解.

$$I_{r,n} = \frac{1}{r^{2n}} \int_0^{+\infty} \frac{dx}{1 + \left(\frac{x}{r}\right)^{2n}} = \frac{1}{r^{2n-1}} \int_0^{+\infty} \frac{d\left(\frac{x}{r}\right)}{1 + \left(\frac{x}{r}\right)^{2n}}$$

令 $t = \frac{x}{r}$, 则有

$$I_{r,n} = \frac{1}{r^{2n-1}} \int_0^{+\infty} \frac{dt}{1 + t^{2n}} = \frac{1}{r^{2n-1}} I_{1,n}.$$

故可先计算 $I_{1,r}$. 取R > 1,作闭曲线 $\Gamma_R : [-R, R] \cup C_R$,这里 $C_R : z = Re^{i\theta}, \theta \in [0, \pi]$. 再作闭曲线积分:

$$\oint_{\Gamma_R} \frac{dz}{1+z^{2n}} = \int_{-R}^R \frac{dx}{1+x^{2n}} + \int_{C_R} \frac{dz}{1+z^{2n}}.$$

由复合闭路定理,上式等于

$$2\pi i \cdot \left\{ \sum_{k=1}^{n} Res\left[\frac{1}{1+z^{2n}}, z_{k}\right] \right\}.$$

即下列等式成立:

$$\int_{-R}^{R} \frac{dx}{1+x^{2n}} + \int_{C_R} \frac{dz}{1+z^{2n}} = 2\pi i \cdot \left\{ \sum_{k=1}^{n} Res \left[\frac{1}{1+z^{2n}}, z_k \right] \right\}. \tag{0.1}$$

令 $R \to +\infty$, 由于 $\deg 1 = 0$, $\deg (1 + z^{2n}) = 2n$, 被积函数是有理分式,其分子的次数为0,而其分母的次数为2n, 故其分母的次数比其分子的次数至少高2次. 因而

$$\lim_{R\to +\infty} \int_{C_R} \frac{dz}{1+z^{2n}} = 0.$$

在(0.1)两边取极限,可得

$$2I_{1,n} = \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} \frac{dx}{1 + x^{2n}} = 2\pi i \left\{ \sum_{k=1}^{n} Res \left[\frac{1}{1 + z^{2n}}, z_k \right] \right\}.$$

即

$$I_{1,n} = \pi i \left\{ \sum_{k=1}^{n} Res \left[\frac{1}{1 + z^{2n}}, z_k \right] \right\}.$$

因

$$Res\left[\frac{1}{1+z^{2n}},\,z_k\right]=\frac{1}{2nz_k^{2n-1}},$$

由上式可得

$$I_{1,n} = \pi i \sum_{k=1}^{n} \frac{1}{2nz_k^{2n-1}} = \frac{\pi i}{2n} \left(\sum_{k=1}^{n} \frac{1}{z_k^{2n-1}} \right).$$

因 z_k 是方程 $z^{2n}=-1$ 的根,故 $z_k^{2n}=-1$,即 $\frac{1}{z_k^{2n-1}}=-z_k, k=1,\,2,\,\cdots\,,\,n$. 因而有

$$I_{1,n} = \left(\frac{-\pi i}{2n}\right) \cdot \left(\sum_{k=1}^{n} z_k\right).$$

解方程:

$$z_k^{2n} = -1 = e^{\pi i} = e^{\pi i + 2(k-1)\pi i} = e^{(2k-1)\pi i}, \quad k = 1, 2, \dots, n.$$

可得

$$z_k = e^{\frac{(2k-1)\pi i}{2n}} = \frac{e^{\frac{k\pi i}{n}}}{e^{\frac{\pi i}{2n}}}, \quad k = 1, 2, \dots, n.$$

令 $q = e^{\frac{\pi i}{n}}, \theta = \frac{\pi}{2n}, \ \mathbb{M}q^n = e^{\pi i} = -1.$ 这时有

$$I_{1,n} = \left(\frac{-\pi i}{2ne^{\frac{\pi i}{2n}}}\right) \cdot \left(\sum_{k=1}^{n} q^{k}\right)$$

$$= \left(\frac{-\pi i}{2ne^{\frac{\pi i}{2n}}}\right) \cdot \frac{q(1-q^{n})}{1-q}$$

$$= \frac{-\pi i e^{\frac{\pi i}{n}(1-(-1))}}{2ne^{\frac{\pi i}{2n}}(1-e^{\frac{\pi i}{n}})}$$

$$= \frac{-\pi i e^{\frac{\pi i}{2n}}}{n(1-e^{\frac{\pi i}{n}})}$$

$$= \frac{\pi i}{n} \cdot \frac{e^{i\theta}}{(e^{2i\theta}-1)}$$

$$= \frac{\frac{\pi}{2n}}{\frac{e^{2i\theta}-1}{2ie^{i\theta}}}$$

$$= \frac{\pi}{2n} \cdot \frac{1}{\sin \theta}$$

$$= \frac{\pi}{2n\sin \frac{\pi}{2n}}.$$

这里用到

$$\sin\theta = \frac{e^{i\theta} - e^{-i\theta}}{2i} = \frac{e^{2i\theta} - 1}{2ie^{i\theta}}.$$

此外,由上式可得

$$\begin{split} I_{1,n} &= \frac{-\pi i}{n} \frac{e^{i\theta}}{1 - e^{2i\theta}} \\ &= \frac{-\pi i}{n} \frac{e^{i\theta}}{1 - \cos 2\theta - i \sin 2\theta} \\ &= \frac{-\pi i}{n} \frac{e^{i\theta}}{2 \sin^2 \theta - 2i \sin \theta \cos \theta} \\ &= \frac{-\pi i}{2n} \frac{e^{i\theta}}{\sin \theta (\sin \theta - i \cos \theta)} \\ &= \frac{-\pi i}{2n} \frac{e^{i\theta}}{(-i) \sin \theta (\cos \theta + i \sin \theta)} \\ &= \frac{\pi}{2n} \frac{e^{i\theta}}{\sin \theta e^{i\theta}} \\ &= \frac{\pi}{2n \sin \theta} \\ &= \frac{\pi}{2n \sin \frac{\pi}{2n}}. \end{split}$$

从而有

$$I_{r,n} = \frac{\pi}{2nr^{2n-1}\sin\frac{\pi}{2n}}.$$

另外, $I_{1,n}$ 也可以有以下方法求得:由上式可得

$$\begin{split} I_{1,n} &= \frac{-\pi i}{n} \frac{e^{i\theta}}{1 - e^{2i\theta}} \\ &= \frac{\pi i}{n} \frac{e^{i\theta}}{e^{2i\theta} - 1} \\ &= \frac{\pi i}{n} \frac{e^{i\theta}}{\cos 2\theta - 1 + i \sin 2\theta} \\ &= \frac{\pi i}{n} \frac{e^{i\theta}}{-2 \sin^2 \theta + i 2 \sin \theta \cos \theta} \\ &= \frac{\pi i}{2ni} \frac{e^{i\theta}}{\sin \theta (\cos \theta + i \sin \theta)} \\ &= \frac{\pi i}{2ni} \frac{e^{i\theta}}{\sin \theta (e^{i\theta})} \\ &= \frac{\pi}{2n \sin \theta} \\ &= \frac{\pi}{\sin \frac{\pi}{2n}}. \end{split}$$