

# Complex Analysis - HW2

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1. Define

$$F(s) = \int_0^\infty t^{s-1} e^{-t} dt$$

defined for  $\operatorname{Re} s > 0$ . Prove that

$$\frac{F(s+n+1)}{n!n^s} \rightarrow 1$$

for  $0 < s \leq 1$  as  $n \rightarrow \infty$ .

*Proof.* Since  $0 < s \leq 1$ ,  $t^s \leq n^s$  and  $t^{s-1} \geq n^{s-1}$  for  $0 \leq t \leq n$ . For  $t > n$ , the relations are reversed. Therefore,

$$n^{s-1} \int_0^n t^{n+1} e^{-t} dt + n^s \int_n^\infty t^n e^{-t} dt \leq F(s+n+1) \leq n^s \int_0^n t^n e^{-t} dt + n^{s-1} \int_n^\infty t^{n+1} e^{-t} dt.$$

By integration by parts,

$$\begin{aligned} n^{s-1} \int_0^n t^{n+1} e^{-t} dt + n^s \int_n^\infty t^n e^{-t} dt &= n^{s-1}(n+1) \int_0^n t^n e^{-t} dt - e^{-n} n^{n+s} + n^s \int_n^\infty t^n e^{-t} dt \\ n^s \int_0^n t^n e^{-t} dt + n^{s-1} \int_n^\infty t^{n+1} e^{-t} dt &= n^s \int_0^n t^n e^{-t} dt + n^{s-1}(n+1) \int_n^\infty t^n e^{-t} dt + n^{n+s} e^{-n}. \end{aligned}$$

Therefore,

$$n^{s-1} \int_0^n t^n e^{-t} dt + n^s \int_0^\infty t^n e^{-t} dt - n^{n+s} e^{-n} \leq F(s+n+1) \leq n^s \int_0^\infty t^n e^{-t} dt + n^{s-1} \int_n^\infty t^n e^{-t} dt + n^{n+s} e^{-n}.$$

Since  $\int_0^n t^n e^{-t} dt \leq n!$  and  $\int_n^\infty t^n e^{-t} dt \leq n!$ , as  $n \rightarrow \infty$ ,

$$1 - \frac{n^n e^{-n}}{n!} \leq \frac{F(s+n+1)}{n^s n!} \leq 1 + \frac{n^n e^{-n}}{n!}.$$

Using Taylor series of  $e^n$ ,

$$\frac{e^n n!}{n^n} \geq \frac{n!}{n^n} \left( \sum_{i=n}^{2n} \frac{1}{i!} i^i \right) \geq \left( 1 + \frac{1}{2} + \cdots + \frac{1}{n} \right)$$

for large enough  $n$ , and it means that  $\frac{e^{-n} n^n}{n!} \rightarrow 0$  as  $n \rightarrow \infty$ . Therefore,

$$\frac{F(s+n+1)}{n^s n!} \rightarrow 1$$

as  $n \rightarrow \infty$ . The above inequality is established by

$$\frac{(n+k)!}{n!} \leq (\sqrt[k]{kn})^k = kn^k$$

for large enough  $n$  and  $n \leq k \leq 2n$ . □

2. Show that

$$\left| \Gamma\left(\frac{1}{2} + it\right) \right| = \sqrt{\frac{2\pi}{e^{\pi t} + e^{-\pi t}}}$$

*Proof.* Since

$$\Gamma(s)\Gamma(1-s) = \frac{\pi}{\sin \pi s}$$

for all  $s$ ,

$$\Gamma\left(\frac{1}{2} + it\right) \Gamma\left(\frac{1}{2} - it\right) = \frac{\pi}{\sin\left(\pi\left(\frac{1}{2} + it\right)\right)} = \frac{2\pi}{e^{\pi t} + e^{-\pi t}}$$

for all  $t \in \mathbb{R}$ . As the real part of  $s$  is positive,

$$\overline{\Gamma\left(\frac{1}{2} + it\right)} = \overline{\int_0^\infty e^{-u} u^{-\frac{1}{2} + it} du} = \int_0^\infty e^{-u} u^{-\frac{1}{2} - it} du = \Gamma\left(\frac{1}{2} - it\right).$$

Therefore,

$$\left| \Gamma\left(\frac{1}{2} + it\right) \right| = \sqrt{\frac{2\pi}{e^{\pi t} + e^{-\pi t}}}$$

□

3. Calculate  $\int_0^\infty t^{s-1} \cos t \, dt$  and  $\int_0^\infty t^{s-1} \sin t \, dt$  for  $0 < \operatorname{Re} s < 1$ .

*Proof.* Take a contour as Fig. 1, then the contour integral for  $z^{s-1}e^{-z}$  is

$$\int_\epsilon^R t^{s-1} e^{-t} dt + \int_{C_R} z^{s-1} e^{-z} dz + \int_R^\epsilon (it)^{s-1} e^{-it} i \, dt + \int_{C_\epsilon} z^{s-1} e^{-z} dz = 0$$

since there is no pole in the interior of the contour. As  $\epsilon \rightarrow 0$ ,

$$\left| \int_{C_\epsilon} z^{s-1} e^{-z} dz \right| \leq \epsilon^{s-1} \epsilon \frac{\pi}{2} = \epsilon^s \frac{\pi}{2} \rightarrow 0$$

As  $R \rightarrow \infty$ ,

$$\left| \int_{C_R} z^{s-1} e^{-z} dz \right| \leq R^s \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} e^{-R \cos \theta} d\theta \leq R^s \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} e^{R(\theta - \pi/2)} d\theta \leq R^{s-1} \rightarrow 0.$$

The inequality is established by  $\cos \theta \geq \pi/2 - \theta$  for  $0 \leq \theta \leq \pi/2$ . Therefore,

$$\int_0^\infty t^{s-1} e^{-t} dt = i^s \int_0^\infty t^{s-1} e^{-it} dt$$

and  $i^{-s} \Gamma(s) = \int_0^\infty t^{s-1} e^{-it} dt$ .

Hence,

$$\begin{aligned} \operatorname{Re} \int_0^\infty t^{s-1} e^{-it} dt &= \int_0^\infty t^{s-1} \cos t \, dt = \operatorname{Re} e^{-\pi i s/2} \Gamma(s) = \cos(\pi s/2) \Gamma(s) \\ \operatorname{Im} \int_0^\infty t^{s-1} e^{-it} dt &= - \int_0^\infty t^{s-1} \sin t \, dt = -\operatorname{Im} e^{-\pi i s/2} \Gamma(s) = \sin(\pi s/2) \Gamma(s) \end{aligned}$$

□

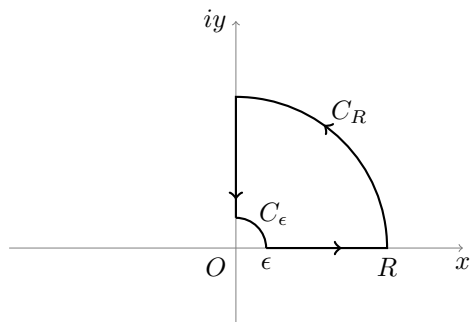


Figure 1: The contour used in problem 3.