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Math 206 Complex Calculus – Final Exam – Solutions

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PLEASE READ:

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Q-1) Evaluate the integral $\int_R \frac{\cot z}{z^4} dz$, where *R* is the positively oriented boundary of the

rectangle whose corners are at the points 2 + 4i, -2 + 4i, -2 - 4i and 2 - 4i.

Solution: There is only one pole at z = 0 in this region. The value of the integral is then equal to $2\pi i$ times the residue of $\frac{\cot z}{z^4}$ at z = 0. We first find this residue:

$$\frac{\cot z}{z^4} = \frac{\cos z}{(\sin z)(z^4)}$$

$$= \frac{\cos z}{(z - \frac{z^3}{6} + \frac{z^5}{120} - \cdots)(z^4)}$$

$$= \frac{\cos z}{(1 - \frac{z^2}{6} + \frac{z^4}{120} - \cdots)(z^5)}$$

$$= \frac{(1 - \frac{z^2}{2} + \frac{z^4}{24} - \cdots)(1 + \frac{z^2}{6} + \frac{7z^4}{360} + \cdots)}{z^5}$$

$$= \left(\cdots - \frac{z^4}{45} + \cdots\right) \frac{1}{z^5}$$

from where we see that the residue is $-\frac{1}{45}$.

Hence the value of the integral is $-\frac{2\pi i}{45}$.

Q-2) Evaluate the integral *P.V.* $\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{dx}{(x^2+1)(x^2-1)}$.

Observe that there are singularities on the real axis. Avoid these singularities by some semicircles.

Solution: Use the path



together with the function $f(z) = \frac{1}{(z^2+1)(z^2-1)}$ which has simple poles.

In the above figure;

$$\begin{split} C_R \text{ is } Re^{i\theta}, & 0 \leq \theta \leq \pi, \text{ with } R > 2. \\ -C_1 \text{ is } -1 + \rho e^{i\theta}, & 0 \leq \theta \leq \pi, \text{ with } 0 < \rho < 1. \\ -C_2 \text{ is } 1 + \rho e^{i\theta}, & 0 \leq \theta \leq \pi, \text{ with } 0 < \rho < 1. \end{split}$$

The integral of f over the above path is $C = (2\pi i) \operatorname{Res}_{z=i} f(z) = (2\pi i) \frac{i}{4} = -\frac{\pi}{2}.$

The integral on C_R vanishes as R goes to infinity.

The integral on C_1 is $A = (-\pi i) \operatorname{Res}_{z=-1} f(z) = (-\pi i) \frac{-1}{4} = \frac{\pi i}{4}$ as ρ goes to zero. The integral on C_2 is $B = (-\pi i) \operatorname{Res}_{z=1} f(z) = (-\pi i) \frac{1}{4} = -\frac{\pi i}{4}$ as ρ goes to zero.

Finally taking limits as R goes to infinity and ρ goes to zero, we get

$$P.V. \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{dx}{(x^2+1)(x^2-1)} + A + B = C$$

which gives

P.V.
$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{dx}{(x^2+1)(x^2-1)} = -\frac{\pi}{2}.$$

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Q-3) Using the \mathcal{Z} -transform method, solve the initial value difference problem

$$f(n+2) - 4f(n+1) + 5f(n) = 0$$
, $f(0) = 1$, $f(1) = 5$.

Solution: Applying \mathcal{Z} -transform to both sides of the equation we obtain

$$F(z) = \frac{z^2 + z}{z^2 - 4z + 5}$$

To find the inverse we can use both the partial fractions method and the residue method. Here they are:

1) Partial Fractions Method: Let θ be the acute angle with $\tan \theta = \frac{1}{2}$. Then $\cos \theta = \frac{2}{\sqrt{5}}$ and $\sin \theta = \frac{1}{\sqrt{5}}$. Let $c = \sqrt{5}$:

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{z^2+z}{z^2-4z+5} &= \frac{\left(\frac{z}{c}\right)^2 + \frac{1}{c}\left(\frac{z}{c}\right)}{\left(\frac{z}{c}\right)^2 - 2\left(\frac{2}{c}\right)\left(\frac{z}{c}\right) + 1} \\ &= \frac{\left(\frac{z}{c}\right)^2 - 2\left(\frac{2}{c}\right)\left(\frac{z}{c}\right) + 1}{\left(\frac{z}{c}\right)^2 - 2\left(\frac{2}{c}\right)\left(\frac{z}{c}\right) + 1} + 3\frac{\frac{1}{c}\left(\frac{z}{c}\right)}{\left(\frac{z}{c}\right)^2 - 2\left(\frac{2}{c}\right)\left(\frac{z}{c}\right) + 1} \\ &= \frac{\left(\frac{z}{c}\right)^2 - 2\left(\cos\theta\right)\left(\frac{z}{c}\right)}{\left(\frac{z}{c}\right)^2 - 2\left(\cos\theta\right)\left(\frac{z}{c}\right) + 1} + 3\frac{\left(\sin\theta\right)\left(\frac{z}{c}\right)}{\left(\frac{z}{c}\right)^2 - 2\left(\cos\theta\right)\left(\frac{z}{c}\right) + 1} \\ &= \mathcal{Z}(c^n\cos n\theta) + 3\mathcal{Z}(c^n\sin n\theta). \end{aligned}$$

2) Residues method: f(n) is the sum of the residues of the fraction $\frac{z^{n-1}(z^2+z)}{z^2-4z+5} = \frac{z^n(z+1)}{(z-\alpha)(z-\bar{\alpha})}$, where $\alpha = 2+i$.

The sum of the residues is $\frac{\alpha^n(3+i)}{2i} - \frac{\bar{\alpha}^n(3-i)}{2i} = \text{Im } \alpha^{n+1} + \text{Im } \alpha^n = \text{Re } \alpha^n + 3 \text{Im } \alpha^n$. Since $\alpha = \sqrt{5} \exp(i\theta)$, where θ is the acute angle whose tangent is 1/2, we get the answer as

$$f(n) = 5^{n/2} \left(\cos n\theta + 3\sin n\theta \right).$$

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Q-4) Find a bounded harmonic function H(x, y) defined in the upper half plane such that

$$H(x,0) = \begin{cases} a & \text{when } |x| < 1\\ b & \text{when } |x| > 1 \end{cases}$$

where 0 < a < b are fixed real numbers.

Solution: This is a variation of the problem treated in section 101 of the textbook, seventh edition page 363-364.

Consider the mapping $w = \log \frac{z-1}{z+1} = \ln \left| \frac{z-1}{z+1} \right| + i \arg \left(\frac{z-1}{z+1} \right) = u + iv.$

This maps the upper half plane onto the horizontal strip $0 \le v \le \pi$. The boundary conditions on the z-plane translate here as b when v = 0, and a when $v = \pi$. The function

$$\frac{(a-b)}{\pi}v + b$$

is harmonic in this strip and satisfies the required boundary conditions. Hence the solution is

$$H(x,y) = \frac{(a-b)}{\pi} \arg\left(\frac{z-1}{z+1}\right) + b = \frac{(a-b)}{\pi} \arctan\left(\frac{2y}{x^2 + y^2 - 1}\right) + b,$$

where $0 \leq \arctan t \leq \pi$ is used.