

Funktionentheorie
Exercise Sheet 14
Solutions

Exercise 1

(a) Obviously we have

$$\int_0^{\infty} \frac{t^2 + 1}{t^4 + 1} dt = \frac{1}{2} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{t^2 + 1}{t^4 + 1} dt.$$

Moreover, the denominator of the function $f = P/Q$ with $P(x) := x^2 + 1$ and $Q(x) := x^4 + 1$ ($x \in \mathbb{R}$) has no real zeroes. Furthermore, we have

$$\deg Q - \deg P = 4 - 2 \geq 2$$

and therefore, by Theorem 2 from Chapter 17.2, we get

$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{t^2 + 1}{t^4 + 1} dt = 2\pi i (\operatorname{Res}(f, z_1) + \operatorname{Res}(f, z_2)),$$

where $z_1 = \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2}(1 + i)$ and $z_2 = \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2}(-1 + i)$ (the poles of f laying in the upper half-plane).

We calculate

$$\operatorname{Res}(f; z_k) = \frac{P(z_k)}{Q'(z_k)} = \frac{z_k^2 + 1}{4z_k^3} = -\frac{\sqrt{2}}{4}i \quad (k = 1, 2)$$

and thus

$$\int_0^{\infty} \frac{t^2 + 1}{t^4 + 1} dt = -\frac{1}{2} \cdot 2\pi i \cdot 2 \frac{\sqrt{2}}{4}i = \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2}\pi$$

(b) We have $f(z) = e^{i\alpha z} \frac{P(z)}{Q(z)}$ for $z \in \mathbb{C} \setminus N(Q)$ and $\alpha := \pi$, $P := 1$, $Q(x) := x^2 + 2x + 2 = (x+1)^2 + 1$ ($x \in \mathbb{R}$). Obviously Q has no real zeroes. Moreover

$$\deg Q - \deg P = 2 - 0 \geq 1$$

and thus, using Theorem 3 from Chapter 17.3, we can conclude

$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{e^{i\pi t}}{t^2 + 2t + 2} dt = 2\pi i \operatorname{Res}(f, z_1),$$

where $z_1 = -1 + i$.

We calculate

$$\operatorname{Res}(f; z_1) = \frac{e^{i\pi z_1} P(z_1)}{Q'(z_1)} = \frac{e^{-i\pi - \pi}}{-2 + 2i + 2} = \frac{-e^{-\pi}}{2i}$$

and therefore

$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{e^{i\pi t}}{t^2 + 2t + 2} dt = 2\pi i \frac{-e^{-\pi}}{2i} = -\pi e^{-\pi}.$$

(c) Obviously we have

$$\int_0^{\infty} \frac{\cos t}{t^2 + a^2} dt = \frac{1}{2} \operatorname{Re} \left(\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{e^{it}}{t^2 + a^2} dt \right).$$

Since the only pole of $f(z) = \frac{e^{iz}}{z^2 + a^2}$ in the upper half-plane is $z_1 = ia$, by Theorem 3 from Chapter 17.3, we get

$$\int_0^{\infty} \frac{\cos t}{t^2 + a^2} dt = \frac{1}{2} \operatorname{Re} (2\pi i \operatorname{Res}(f; a_1)).$$

We calculate

$$\operatorname{Res}(f; a_1) = \frac{e^{-a}}{2ai}$$

and thus

$$\int_0^{\infty} \frac{\cos t}{t^2 + a^2} dt = \frac{\pi}{2a} e^{-a}.$$

(d) First we note that $\frac{t \cos t}{t^2 - 2\pi t + a} = \operatorname{Re} \left(\frac{te^{it}}{t^2 - 2\pi t + a} \right)$ for $t \in \mathbb{R}$. Moreover, we have $f(z) = e^{iaz} \frac{P(z)}{Q(z)}$ for $b := a - \pi^2 > 0, \alpha := 1, P(x) := x, Q(x) := x^2 - 2\pi x + a = (x - \pi)^2 + b$ ($x \in \mathbb{R}$). Since $b > 0$, the function Q has no real zeroes. Moreover, we have

$$\deg Q - \deg P = 2 - 1 \geq 1$$

and thus, by Theorem 3 from Chapter 17.3, we get

$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{te^{it}}{t^2 - 2\pi t + a} dt = 2\pi i \operatorname{Res}(f, z_1)$$

with $z_1 = \pi + i\sqrt{b}$.

We calculate

$$\operatorname{Res}(f; z_1) = \frac{e^{iz_1} P(z_1)}{Q'(z_1)} = \frac{e^{i\pi - \sqrt{b}}(\pi + i\sqrt{b})}{2(\pi + i\sqrt{b}) - 2\pi} = \frac{-e^{-\sqrt{b}}(\pi + i\sqrt{b})}{2i\sqrt{b}}$$

and therefore

$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{t \cos t}{t^2 - 2\pi t + a} dt = \operatorname{Re} \left(2\pi i \frac{-e^{-\sqrt{b}}(\pi + i\sqrt{b})}{2i\sqrt{b}} \right) = \frac{-\pi^2 e^{-\sqrt{b}}}{\sqrt{b}} = \frac{-\pi^2 e^{-\sqrt{a - \pi^2}}}{\sqrt{a - \pi^2}}.$$

Exercise 2 As suggested in the hint, we will integrate over the given contour γ . We use the following parametrization

$$\begin{aligned} \gamma_1 &:= r, & r &\in [0, R] \\ \gamma_2 &:= Re^{i\theta}, & \theta &\in [0, \frac{2\pi}{n}] \\ \gamma_3 &:= re^{i\frac{2\pi}{n}}, & r &\in [R, 0] \end{aligned}$$

The only zero of the denominator of the integrand which is in the interior of the domain enclosed by γ is $e^{\frac{i\pi}{n}}$ and thus, by the Residue theorem, we have

$$\int_{\gamma} \frac{1}{1 + z^n} dz = 2\pi i \operatorname{Res} \left(\frac{1}{1 + z^n}; e^{\frac{i\pi}{n}} \right). \quad (1)$$

First we calculate

$$\begin{aligned}
 \int_{\gamma} \frac{1}{1+z^n} dz &= \int_{\gamma_1} \frac{1}{1+z^n} dz + \int_{\gamma_2} \frac{1}{1+z^n} dz + \int_{\gamma_3} \frac{1}{1+z^n} dz \\
 &= \int_0^R \frac{1}{1+r^n} dr + \int_0^{2\pi/n} \frac{1}{1+R^n e^{in\theta}} R i e^{i\theta} d\theta + \int_R^0 \frac{1}{1+r^n} e^{i\frac{2\pi}{n}} dr \\
 &= (1 - e^{i\frac{2\pi}{n}}) \int_0^R \frac{1}{1+r^n} dr + i \frac{R}{R^n} \int_0^{2\pi/n} \frac{1}{\frac{1}{R^n} + e^{in\theta}} e^{i\theta} d\theta.
 \end{aligned}$$

Now we compute

$$\operatorname{Res}\left(\frac{1}{1+z^n}; e^{i\frac{\pi}{n}}\right) = \lim_{z \rightarrow e^{i\pi/n}} (z - e^{i\pi/n}) \frac{1}{1+z^n} = -\frac{e^{i\frac{\pi}{n}}}{n}.$$

Thus, letting $R \rightarrow \infty$ in (1), we get

$$\int_{\gamma} \frac{1}{1+z^n} dz = -2\pi i \frac{e^{i\frac{\pi}{n}}}{n} (1 - e^{i\frac{2\pi}{n}})^{-1} = \frac{\pi}{n} \frac{1}{\sin\left(\frac{\pi}{n}\right)}.$$