

Math 417 – Section 73 Solutions

3. First, we note that the function $f(x) = \frac{\cos ax}{(x^2 + b^2)^2}$ is an even function. Therefore,

$$\int_0^\infty \frac{\cos ax}{(x^2 + b^2)^2} dx = \frac{1}{2} \int_{-\infty}^\infty \frac{\cos ax}{(x^2 + b^2)^2} dx$$

Now consider the integral:

$$\int_C \frac{e^{iaz}}{(z^2 + b^2)^2} dz$$

where C is the contour consisting of the semicircle C_R : $|z| = R$ and the line $z = x$, $-R \leq x \leq R$. Therefore,

$$\int_C \frac{e^{iaz}}{(z^2 + b^2)^2} dz = \int_{-R}^R \frac{e^{iax}}{(x^2 + b^2)^2} dx + \int_{C_R} \frac{e^{iaz}}{(z^2 + b^2)^2} dz$$

Let's consider each of the integrals in turn.

I. To compute $\int_C \frac{e^{iaz}}{(z^2 + b^2)^2} dz$, we use Cauchy's Residue Theorem.

The singular points of $f(z) = \frac{e^{iaz}}{(z^2 + b^2)^2}$ are:

$$z_{1,2} = \pm bi$$

Note that $z_1 = bi$ lies inside C and that it is a pole of order 2. The residue at this point is:

$$\operatorname{Res}_{z=z_1} f(z) = \phi'(z_1)$$

where the function $\phi(z)$ and its derivative are:

$$\begin{aligned} \phi(z) &= \frac{e^{iaz}}{(z - z_2)^2} \\ \phi'(z) &= \frac{ia(z + ib)^2 e^{iaz} - 2(z + ib)e^{iaz}}{(z + ib)^4} \end{aligned}$$

Therefore, the residue is:

$$\operatorname{Res}_{z=ib} f(z) = \frac{ia(ib + ib)^2 e^{ia(ib)} - 2(ib + ib)e^{ia(ib)}}{(ib + ib)^4} = -\frac{e^{-ab}}{4b^3}(ab + 1)$$

Therefore,

$$\int_C \frac{e^{iaz}}{(z^2 + b^2)^2} dz = 2\pi i \left[-\frac{e^{-ab}}{4b^3}(ab + 1) \right] = \frac{\pi}{2b^3}(ab + 1)e^{-ab}$$

II. Now consider the integral over C_R . Note that on C_R ,

$$\left| \frac{e^{iaz}}{(z^2 + b^2)^2} \right| \leq \frac{e^{-ay}}{|z|^2 - |b|^2} \leq \frac{1}{(R^2 - b^2)^2}$$

Therefore, using the *ML*-Bound we have:

$$\left| \int_{C_R} \frac{e^{iaz}}{(z^2 + b^2)^2} dz \right| \leq ML = \frac{1}{(R^2 - b^2)^2} \cdot \pi R$$

Letting $R \rightarrow \infty$ we have:

$$\lim_{R \rightarrow \infty} \left| \int_{C_R} \frac{e^{iaz}}{(z^2 + b^2)^2} dz \right| \leq \lim_{R \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\pi R}{(R^2 - b^2)^2} = 0$$

$$\int_{C_R} \frac{e^{iaz}}{(z^2 + b^2)^2} dz = 0$$

III. Finally, using the results from I. and II. and plugging into Equation (1) we have:

$$\begin{aligned} \lim_{R \rightarrow \infty} \left(\int_C \frac{e^{iaz}}{(z^2 + b^2)^2} dz \right) &= \int_{-R}^R \frac{e^{iax}}{(x^2 + b^2)^2} dx + \int_{C_R} \frac{e^{iaz}}{(z^2 + b^2)^2} dz \\ \frac{\pi}{2b^3}(ab + 1)e^{-ab} &= \lim_{R \rightarrow \infty} \int_{-R}^R \frac{e^{iax}}{(x^2 + b^2)^2} dx \end{aligned}$$

Taking the real part of each side of the equation we have:

$$\text{P.V. } \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{\cos ax}{(x^2 + b^2)^2} dx = \lim_{R \rightarrow \infty} \int_{-R}^R \frac{\cos ax}{(x^2 + b^2)^2} dx = \frac{\pi}{2b^3}(ab + 1)e^{-ab}$$

Since the function $f(x)$ is even and the Cauchy Principal Value exists, we have:

$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{\cos ax}{(x^2 + b^2)^2} dx = \frac{\pi}{2b^3}(ab + 1)e^{-ab}$$

7. To compute the integral:

$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{x \sin x}{(x^2 + 1)(x^2 + 4)} dx$$

consider the integral:

$$\int_C \frac{ze^{iz}}{(z^2 + 1)(z^2 + 4)} dz$$

where C is the contour consisting of the semicircle C_R : $|z| = R$ and the line $z = x$, $-R \leq x \leq R$. Therefore,

$$\int_C \frac{ze^{iaz}}{(z^2 + 1)(z^2 + 4)} dz = \int_{-R}^R \frac{xe^{iax}}{(x^2 + 1)(x^2 + 4)} dx + \int_{C_R} \frac{ze^{iz}}{(z^2 + 1)(z^2 + 4)} dz$$

Let's consider each of the integrals in turn.

I. To compute $\int_C \frac{ze^{iz}}{(z^2 + 1)(z^2 + 4)} dz$, we use Cauchy's Residue Theorem.

The singular points of $f(z) = \frac{ze^{iz}}{(z^2+1)(z^2+4)}$ are:

$$z_{1,2,3,4} = \pm i, \pm 2i$$

Note that $z_1 = i$ and $z_3 = 2i$ lie inside C and that they are simple poles. The residues at these points are:

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Res}_{z=z_1} f(z) &= \frac{z_1 e^{iz_1}}{(z_1 - z_2)(z_1 - z_3)(z_1 - z_4)} = \frac{i e^{i^2}}{(i + i)(i^2 + 4)} = \frac{1}{6e} \\ \text{Res}_{z=z_3} f(z) &= \frac{z_3 e^{iz_3}}{(z_3 - z_1)(z_3 - z_2)(z_3 - z_4)} = \frac{2i e^{2i^2}}{((2i)^2 + 1)(2i + 2i)} = -\frac{1}{6e^2} \end{aligned}$$

Therefore,

$$\boxed{\int_C \frac{ze^{iz}}{(z^2+1)(z^2+4)} dz = 2\pi i \left(\frac{1}{6e} - \frac{1}{6e^2} \right) = \frac{\pi i}{3e} \left(1 - \frac{1}{e} \right)}$$

II. Now consider the integral over C_R . Note that on C_R ,

$$\left| \frac{ze^{iaz}}{(z^2+1)(z^2+4)} \right| \leq \frac{|z|e^{-y}}{(|z|^2-|1|)(|z|^2-|4|)} \leq \frac{R}{(R^2-1)(R^2-4)}$$

Therefore, using the *ML*-Bound we have:

$$\left| \int_{C_R} \frac{ze^{iz}}{(z^2+1)(z^2+4)} dz \right| \leq ML = \frac{R}{(R^2-1)(R^2-4)} \cdot \pi R$$

Letting $R \rightarrow \infty$ we have:

$$\lim_{R \rightarrow \infty} \left| \int_{C_R} \frac{ze^{iz}}{(z^2+1)(z^2+4)} dz \right| \leq \lim_{R \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\pi R^2}{(R^2-1)(R^2-4)} = 0$$

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III. Finally, using the results from I. and II. and plugging into Equation (1) we have:

$$\begin{aligned} \lim_{R \rightarrow \infty} \left(\int_C \frac{ze^{iz}}{(z^2+1)(z^2+4)} dz + \int_{-R}^R \frac{xe^{ix}}{(x^2+1)(x^2+4)} dx + \int_{C_R} \frac{ze^{iz}}{(z^2+1)(z^2+4)} dz \right) \\ \frac{\pi i}{3e} \left(1 - \frac{1}{e} \right) = \lim_{R \rightarrow \infty} \int_{-R}^R \frac{xe^{iax}}{(x^2+1)(x^2+4)} dx \end{aligned}$$

Taking the imaginary part of each side of the equation we have:

$$\text{P.V. } \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{x \sin x}{(x^2+1)(x^2+4)} dx = \lim_{R \rightarrow \infty} \int_{-R}^R \frac{x \sin x}{(x^2+1)(x^2+4)} dx = \frac{\pi}{3e} \left(1 - \frac{1}{e} \right)$$

Since the function $f(x)$ is even and the Cauchy Principal Value exists, we have:

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