

Physics 503: Methods of Mathematical Physics

Read: CKP chapter 2, sections 2-6 – 2-8.
chapter 3, sections 3-1, 3-2.

“**CKP**” refers to Carrier, Krook, and Pearson book.

“**FS**” refers to Fuchs and Shabat book.

Problems with stars are not for credit and will NOT be graded.

Homework 3

Exercise 1

Find the nature of each singularity (including the point at infinity) of each of the following functions.

$$a) \frac{e^{1/(z-1)}}{e^z-1}, \quad b) \frac{1}{(\sin z + \cos z)^3}, \quad c) z^2 e^{-z}, \quad d) \frac{z^{2n}}{(1+z^n)^2}, \quad e) \frac{\ln(z-1)}{(z+1)^2}.$$

Evaluate the residues at each isolated singularity. Always include the point at ∞ in your considerations.

Exercise 2

Evaluate

$$I = \int_0^{\infty} \frac{dx}{1+x^{2007}}.$$

Exercise 3

Evaluate

$$I = \int_0^{\infty} \frac{dx}{x^3 + x^2 + x + 1}.$$

Use “logarithm trick”.

Exercise 4 (CKP, page 82, problem 1)

Evaluate (using Jordan’s lemma where necessary)

$$I = \int_0^{\infty} \frac{x \sin x}{a^2 + x^2} dx.$$

Exercise 5 (CKP, page 89, problem 8)

Evaluate

$$I = \int_0^{2\pi} \ln(a + b \cos \theta) d\theta$$

for $a > b > 0$.**Exercise 6 (CKP, page 90, problem 12)**

Show that

$$(a) \quad \int_0^{2\pi} e^{\cos \theta} \cos(n\theta - \sin \theta) d\theta = \frac{2\pi}{n!}$$

$$(b) \quad \int_0^{2\pi} e^{\cos \theta} \sin(n\theta - \sin \theta) d\theta = 0$$

Exercise 7 (CKP, page 90, problem 14)

Evaluate

$$I = \int_0^{2\pi} \frac{x \sin x}{1 - 2\alpha \cos x + \alpha^2} dx$$

for α real and for each of the two cases $|\alpha| < 1$, $|\alpha| > 1$.**Exercise 8 (CKP, page 90, problem 16)**

Evaluate

$$a) \quad I = \int_0^{\infty} \frac{\ln(1+x^2)}{1+x^2} dx$$

$$b) \quad I = \int_0^{\infty} \frac{(\ln x)^2}{1+x^2} dx$$

Exercise 9 (FS 81.1cg)

Evaluate the following integrals

$$I = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{\cos ax}{1+x^4} dx,$$

$$I = \int_{-1}^1 \frac{dx}{[(1-x)(1+x)^2]^{1/3}}.$$

***Exercise 10**

Show that

$$a) \quad \cot z = \frac{1}{z} + 2z \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{z^2 - \pi^2 n^2}$$

$$b) \quad \frac{1}{\sin^2 z} = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{+\infty} \frac{1}{(z - \pi n)^2}$$