1. Compute the improper integral

$$\int_0^\infty \frac{\cos 2x}{(x^2+1)^2} \, dx$$

Solution: To evaluate the integral consider the complex integral

$$\int_C \frac{e^{i(2z)}}{(z^2+1)^2} \, dz$$

where C is the union of the contours  $C_1$  and  $C_R$  shown below.



The complex integral can be split into two integrals:

$$\int_C \frac{e^{i(2z)}}{(z^2+1)^2} dz = \int_{C_1} \frac{e^{i(2z)}}{(z^2+1)^2} dz + \int_{C_R} \frac{e^{i(2z)}}{(z^2+1)^2} dz$$

Let's compute each integral in turn.

(i) The function  $f(z) = \frac{e^{i(2z)}}{(z^2+1)^2}$  has singular points at *i* and -i. Only the former is inside the contour *C*. Therefore, the integral over *C* is

$$\int_C \frac{e^{i(2z)}}{(z^2+1)^2} \, dz = 2\pi i \operatorname{Res}_{z=i} f(z)$$

To find the residue, we note that the point *i* is a pole of order 2. To see this, we define the function  $\phi(z)$  as

$$\phi(z) = \frac{e^{i(2z)}}{(z+i)^2}$$

so that

$$f(z) = \frac{\phi(z)}{(z-i)^2}$$

Since  $\phi(z)$  is analytic and nonzero at *i*, the point is a pole of order 2 and the residue is

$$\begin{split} \underset{z=i}{\operatorname{Res}} & f(z) = \frac{1}{1!} \phi'(i) \\ & = \frac{(z+i)^2 (2ie^{i(2z)}) - 2(z+i)e^{i(2z)}}{(z+i)^4} \Big|_{z=i} \\ & = \frac{(i+i)^2 (2ie^{2i^2}) - 2(i+i)e^{2i^2}}{(i+i)^4} \\ & = \frac{-8ie^{-2} - 4ie^{-2}}{16} \\ & = -\frac{3}{4}e^{-2}i \end{split}$$

Therefore, the value of the integral over C is

$$\int_{C} \frac{e^{i(2z)}}{(z^{2}+1)^{2}} dz = 2\pi i \operatorname{Res}_{z=i} f(z)$$
$$= 2\pi i \left(-\frac{3}{4}e^{-2}i\right)$$
$$= \frac{3\pi}{2}e^{-2}$$

(ii) The integral over  $C_1$  is

$$\int_{C_1} \frac{e^{i(2z)}}{(z^2+1)^2} dz = \int_{-R}^{R} \frac{e^{i(2x)}}{(x^2+1)^2} dx$$
$$= \int_{-R}^{R} \frac{\cos 2x}{(x^2+1)^2} dx + i \int_{-R}^{R} \frac{\sin 2x}{(x^2+1)^2} dx$$

(iii) Finally, we use the *ML*-Bound formula to evaluate the integral over  $C_R$ . First, we note that the length of the contour is  $L = \pi R$ . Then, we find an upper bound M on |f(z)| over  $C_R$  by noting that

$$\left|\frac{e^{i(2z)}}{(z^2+1)^2}\right| = \frac{|e^{2i(x+iy)}|}{|z^2+1|^2} < \frac{e^{-2y}}{(R^2-1)^2} \le \frac{1}{(R^2-1)^2} = M$$

where we used the fact that (1)  $|e^{-2y}| \leq 1$  for all z on  $C_R$  since  $e^{-2y}$  takes on its maximum value on  $C_R$  when y = 0 and (2)  $|z^2 + 1| \leq ||z|^2 - 1| = R^2 - 1$  using the Triangle Inequality. Thus, the modulus of the integral over  $C_R$  is bounded as follows:

$$\left| \int_{C_R} \frac{e^{i(2z)}}{(z^2+1)^2} \right| \le \frac{\pi R}{(R^2-1)^2}$$

Putting it all together and taking the limit as  $R \to \infty$  we have

$$\lim_{R \to \infty} \int_C \frac{e^{i(2z)}}{(z^2+1)^2} dz = \lim_{R \to \infty} \int_{C_1} \frac{e^{i(2z)}}{(z^2+1)^2} dz + \lim_{R \to \infty} \int_{C_R} \frac{e^{i(2z)}}{(z^2+1)^2} dz$$
$$\frac{3\pi}{2} e^{-2} = \lim_{R \to \infty} \int_{-R}^R \frac{\cos 2x}{(x^2+1)^2} dx + i \lim_{R \to \infty} \int_{-R}^R \frac{\sin 2x}{(x^2+1)^2} dx + 0$$
$$\frac{3\pi}{2} e^{-2} = \text{P.V.} \int_{-\infty}^\infty \frac{\cos 2x}{(x^2+1)^2} dx + i \text{ P.V.} \int_{-R}^R \frac{\sin 2x}{(x^2+1)^2} dx$$

Taking the real parts of both sides of the above equation gives us

$$\frac{3\pi}{2}e^{-2} = \text{P.V.} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{\cos 2x}{(x^2+1)^2} \, dx$$

Note that the integrand  $f(x) = \frac{\cos 2x}{(x^2+1)^2}$  is an even function so that the principal value of the integral is the actual value. Furthermore,

$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{\cos 2x}{(x^2+1)^2} \, dx = 2 \int_{0}^{\infty} \frac{\cos 2x}{(x^2+1)^2} \, dx$$

So our final answer is

$$\int_0^\infty \frac{\cos 2x}{(x^2+1)^2} \, dx = \frac{3\pi}{4} e^{-2}$$

2. Show that

$$\int_0^\infty \frac{(\ln x)^2}{x^2 + 1} \, dx = \frac{\pi^3}{8}$$

Solution: To evaluate the integral consider the complex integral

$$\int_C \frac{(\log z)^2}{z^2 + 1} \, dz$$

where C is the union of the contours  $C_1$ ,  $C_R$ ,  $C_2$ , and  $C_{\varepsilon}$  shown below. Note that we take the branch cut  $-\frac{\pi}{2} < \theta < \frac{3\pi}{2}$  in order to avoid the contour.



The complex integral can be split into four integrals:

$$\int_C \frac{(\log z)^2}{z^2 + 1} dz = \int_{C_1} \frac{(\log z)^2}{z^2 + 1} dz + \int_{C_R} \frac{(\log z)^2}{z^2 + 1} dz + \int_{C_2} \frac{(\log z)^2}{z^2 + 1} dz + \int_{C_\varepsilon} \frac{(\log z)^2}{z^2 + 1} dz$$

Let's compute each integral in turn.

(i) The function  $f(z) = \frac{(\log z)^2}{z^2+1}$  has infinitely many singular points but only z = i is inside C. Therefore, the integral over C is

$$\int_C \frac{(\log z)^2}{z^2 + 1} dz = 2\pi i \operatorname{Res}_{z=i} f(z)$$

To find the residue, we note that the point *i* is a simple pole. To see this, we define the function  $\phi(z)$  as

$$\phi(z) = \frac{(\log z)^2}{z+i}$$

so that

$$f(z) = \frac{\phi(z)}{(z-i)^1}$$

Since  $\phi(z)$  is analytic and nonzero at *i*, the point is a pole of order 1 and the residue is

$$\operatorname{Res}_{z=i} f(z) = \phi(i)$$
$$= \frac{(\log i)^2}{i+i}$$
$$= \frac{(\ln 1 + i \cdot \frac{\pi}{2})^2}{2i}$$
$$= \frac{\pi^2}{8}i$$

Therefore, the value of the integral over C is

$$\int_C \frac{(\log z)^2}{z^2 + 1} dz = 2\pi i \operatorname{Res}_{z=i} f(z)$$
$$= 2\pi i \left(\frac{\pi^2}{8}i\right)$$
$$= -\frac{\pi^3}{4}$$

(ii) The integral over  $C_1$  is parametrized by  $z = re^{i(0)} = r$ ,  $\varepsilon \le r \le R$  so that dz = drand we get

$$\int_{C_1} \frac{(\log z)^2}{z^2 + 1} dz = \int_{\varepsilon}^{R} \frac{(\ln r + i(0))^2}{r^2 + 1} dr$$
$$= \int_{\varepsilon}^{R} \frac{(\ln r)^2}{r^2 + 1} dr$$

(iii) We use the *ML*-Bound formula to evaluate the integral over  $C_R$ . First, we note that the length of the contour is  $L = \pi R$ . Then, we find an upper bound *M* on |f(z)| over  $C_R$  by noting that

$$\begin{aligned} \left| \frac{(\log z)^2}{z^2 + 1} \right| &= \frac{|\ln r + i\theta|^2}{|z^2 + 1|} \\ &\leq \frac{(|\ln r| + |i\theta|)^2}{||z|^2 - 1|} \\ &\leq \frac{(\ln R + \pi)^2}{R^2 - 1} = M \end{aligned}$$

where we used the Triangle Inequality on both the numerator and denominator. Thus, the modulus of the integral over  $C_R$  is bounded as follows:

$$\left| \int_{C_R} \frac{(\log z)^2}{z^2 + 1} \right| \le \frac{\pi R (\ln R + \pi)^2}{R^2 - 1}$$

We note that the right hand side of the above inequality goes to 0 as  $R \to \infty$ .

(iv) The integral over  $C_2$  is parametrized by  $z = re^{i\pi} = -r$ ,  $\varepsilon \leq r \leq R$  so that dz = -dr and we get

$$\int_{C_2} \frac{(\log z)^2}{z^2 + 1} dz = \int_R^{\varepsilon} \frac{(\ln r + i\pi)^2}{r^2 + 1} (-dr)$$
  
=  $\int_{\varepsilon}^R \frac{(\ln r)^2 + (2\pi \ln r)i - \pi^2}{r^2 + 1} dr$   
=  $\int_{\varepsilon}^R \frac{(\ln r)^2}{r^2 + 1} - \pi^2 \int_{\varepsilon}^R \frac{dr}{r^2 + 1} + i \int_{\varepsilon}^R \frac{2\pi \ln r}{r^2 + 1} dr$ 

(v) Finally, we use the *ML*-Bound formula to evaluate the integral over  $C_{\varepsilon}$ . First, we note that the length of the contour is  $L = \pi \varepsilon$ . Then, we find an upper bound *M* on |f(z)| over  $C_{\varepsilon}$  by noting that

$$\begin{aligned} \left| \frac{(\log z)^2}{z^2 + 1} \right| &= \frac{|\ln r + i\theta|^2}{|z^2 + 1|} \\ &\leq \frac{(|\ln r| + |i\theta|)^2}{||z|^2 - 1|} \\ &\leq \frac{(-\ln \varepsilon + \pi)^2}{1 - \varepsilon^2} = M \end{aligned}$$

where we used the Triangle Inequality on both the numerator and denominator. Thus, the modulus of the integral over  $C_{\varepsilon}$  is bounded as follows:

$$\left| \int_{C_{\varepsilon}} \frac{(\log z)^2}{z^2 + 1} \right| \le \frac{\pi \varepsilon (-\ln \varepsilon + \pi)^2}{1 - \varepsilon^2}$$

We note that the right hand side of the above inequality goes to 0 as  $\varepsilon \to 0^+$ .

Putting it all together and taking the limit as  $\varepsilon \to 0^+$  and  $R \to \infty$  we get

$$\int_{C} \frac{(\log z)^{2}}{z^{2}+1} dz = \int_{C_{1}} \frac{(\log z)^{2}}{z^{2}+1} dz + \int_{C_{R}} \frac{(\log z)^{2}}{z^{2}+1} dz + \int_{C_{2}} \frac{(\log z)^{2}}{z^{2}+1} dz + \int_{C_{\varepsilon}} \frac{(\log z)^{2}}{z^{2}+1} dz - \frac{\pi^{3}}{4} = \int_{0}^{\infty} \frac{(\ln r)^{2}}{r^{2}+1} dr + 0 + \int_{0}^{\infty} \frac{(\ln r)^{2}}{r^{2}+1} - \pi^{2} \int_{0}^{\infty} \frac{dr}{r^{2}+1} + i \int_{0}^{\infty} \frac{2\pi \ln r}{r^{2}+1} dr + 0 - \frac{\pi^{3}}{4} = 2 \int_{0}^{\infty} \frac{(\ln r)^{2}}{r^{2}+1} dr - \pi^{2} \int_{0}^{\infty} \frac{dr}{r^{2}+1} + i \int_{0}^{\infty} \frac{2\pi \ln r}{r^{2}+1} dr$$

Taking the real parts of both sides we get

$$2\int_0^\infty \frac{(\ln r)^2}{r^2 + 1} dr = \pi^2 \int_0^\infty \frac{dr}{r^2 + 1} - \frac{\pi^3}{4}$$
$$2\int_0^\infty \frac{(\ln r)^2}{r^2 + 1} dr = \pi^2 \left(\frac{\pi}{2}\right) - \frac{\pi^3}{4}$$
$$2\int_0^\infty \frac{(\ln r)^2}{r^2 + 1} dr = \frac{\pi^3}{4}$$
$$\int_0^\infty \frac{(\ln r)^2}{r^2 + 1} dr = \boxed{\frac{\pi^3}{8}}$$

Note that in the above steps we used the fact that

$$\int_0^\infty \frac{dr}{r^2 + 1} = \frac{\pi}{2}$$

3. Evaluate the integral

$$\int_0^{2\pi} \frac{d\theta}{5+4\sin\theta}$$

**Solution**: We turn the integral into a complex integral by integrating over C, the unit circle |z| = 1 oriented counterclockwise, and using the substitutions

$$d\theta = \frac{dz}{iz}, \quad \sin\theta = \frac{z - \frac{1}{z}}{2i}$$

to rewrite the integral as

$$\int_{0}^{2\pi} \frac{d\theta}{5+4\sin\theta} = \int_{C} \frac{1}{5+4\left(\frac{z-\frac{1}{z}}{2i}\right)} \cdot \frac{dz}{iz}$$
$$= \int_{C} \frac{1}{5iz+2z^{2}-2} dz$$
$$= \int_{C} \frac{1}{2z^{2}+5iz-2} dz$$

The denominator can be factored into (z + 2i)(2z + i) so the singular points are  $-\frac{i}{2}$  and -2i. Only  $-\frac{i}{2}$  lies inside the contour C. Therefore, the value of the integral is

$$\int_C \frac{1}{2z^2 + 5iz - 2} \, dz = 2\pi i \operatorname{Res}_{z = -i/2} \, f(z)$$

Note that  $-\frac{i}{2}$  is a simple pole of f(z). Letting p(z) = 1,  $q(z) = 2z^2 + 5iz - 2$ , and q'(z) = 4z + 5i, the residue is

$$\operatorname{Res}_{z=-i/2} f(z) = \frac{p(-\frac{i}{2})}{q'(-\frac{i}{2})} = \frac{1}{4(-\frac{i}{2}) + 5i} = \frac{1}{3i}$$

The value of the integral is then

$$\int_{0}^{2\pi} \frac{d\theta}{5+4\sin\theta} = \int_{C} \frac{1}{2z^{2}+5iz-2} dz$$
$$= 2\pi i \operatorname{Res}_{z=-i/2} f(z)$$
$$= 2\pi i \left(\frac{1}{3i}\right)$$
$$= \boxed{\frac{2\pi}{3}}$$

4. Show that

$$\int_{-\pi}^{\pi} \frac{d\theta}{1 + \cos^2\theta} = \pi\sqrt{2}$$

**Solution**: We turn the integral into a complex integral by integrating over C, the unit circle |z| = 1 oriented counterclockwise, and using the substitutions

$$d\theta = \frac{dz}{iz}, \quad \cos\theta = \frac{z + \frac{1}{z}}{2}$$

to rewrite the integral as

$$\int_{-\pi}^{\pi} \frac{d\theta}{1+\cos^2\theta} = \int_C \frac{1}{1+\left(\frac{z+\frac{1}{z}}{2}\right)^2} \cdot \frac{dz}{iz}$$
$$= \int_C \frac{1}{1+\frac{z^2}{4}+\frac{1}{2}+\frac{1}{4z^2}} \cdot \frac{dz}{iz}$$
$$= \frac{1}{i} \int_C \frac{1}{\frac{z^3}{4}+\frac{3z}{2}+\frac{1}{4z}} dz$$
$$= \frac{4}{i} \int_C \frac{z}{z^4+6z+1} dz$$

The singular points of the integrand are solutions to  $z^4 + 6z^2 + 1 = 0$ . Using the quadratic formula to solve for  $z^2$  we have

$$z^{2} = \frac{-6 \pm \sqrt{6^{2} - 4(1)(1)}}{2(1)}$$
$$z^{2} = \frac{-6 \pm \sqrt{32}}{2}$$
$$z^{2} = -3 \pm 2\sqrt{2}$$

Taking the positive sign, we have  $z_{1,2}^2 = -3 + 2\sqrt{2}$  which we note is negative. Therefore, two singular points are

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

Taking the negative sign, we have  $z_{3,4}^2 = -3 - 2\sqrt{2}$  which we note is also negative. Therefore, the other two singular points are

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

Of the four singular points, only  $z_{1,2}$  lie in the unit circle. These points are simple poles so we can use the formula

$$\operatorname{Res}_{z=z_k} f(z) = \frac{p(z_k)}{q'(z_k)}$$

to find the residues at  $z_{1,2}$ . Letting p(z) = z,  $q(z) = z^4 + 6z^2 + 1$ , and  $q'(z) = 4z^3 + 12z$  we have

Res 
$$f(z) = \frac{z_k}{4z_k^3 + 12z_k} = \frac{1}{4(z_k^2 + 3)}$$

To simplify the calculations here we'll note that because  $z_{1,2}^2 = -3 + 2\sqrt{2}$  we have

$$z_{1,2}^2 + 3 = 2\sqrt{2}$$

Therefore, the residues at  $z_{1,2}$  are

$$\operatorname{Res}_{z=z_{1,2}} f(z) = \frac{1}{4(z_k^2 + 3)} = \frac{1}{4(2\sqrt{2})} = \frac{1}{8\sqrt{2}}$$

The value of the integral is then

$$\int_{-\pi}^{\pi} \frac{d\theta}{1+\cos^2\theta} = \frac{4}{i} \int_C \frac{z}{z^4+6z+1} dz$$
$$= \frac{4}{i} \cdot 2\pi i \left( \operatorname{Res}_{z=z_1} f(z) + \operatorname{Res}_{z=z_2} f(z) \right)$$
$$= 8\pi \left( \frac{1}{8\sqrt{2}} + \frac{1}{8\sqrt{2}} \right)$$
$$= \pi\sqrt{2}$$

5. Use the formula for the Inverse Laplace Transform to evaluate the inverse of the function  $F(s) = \frac{1}{(s^2 + 1)^2}$ .

Solution: No thanks.

6. Show that  $2z^5 + 8z - 1 = 0$  has exactly four roots in the annulus 1 < |z| < 2.

**Solution**: To show that the equation has four roots in the given annulus, we will first show that it has one root inside the circle |z| = 1 and then show that it has five roots inside the circle |z| = 2.

• Let  $C_1$  be the circle |z| = 1. Define f(z) = 8z and  $g(z) = 2z^5 - 1$ . Both functions are analytic on and inside  $C_1$ . We also have

$$|f(z)| = |8z| = 8|z| = 8$$

and

$$|g(z)| = |2z^5 - 1| \le 2|z|^5 + 1 = 3$$

for all z on  $C_1$ . So we have established that |f(z)| > |g(z)| for all z on  $C_1$ . By Rouché's Theorem, since f(z) = 8z has one zero inside  $C_1$  then so does  $f(z) + g(z) = 2z^5 + 8z - 1$ .

• Now let  $C_2$  be the circle |z| = 2. Define  $f(z) = 2z^5$  and g(z) = 8z - 1. Both functions are analytic on and inside  $C_2$ . We also have

$$|f(z)| = |2z^5| = 2|z|^5 = 2(2)^5 = 64$$

and

$$|g(z)| = |8z - 1| \le 8|z| + 1 = 8(2) + 1 = 17$$

for all z on  $C_2$ . So we have established that |f(z)| > |g(z)| for all z on  $C_2$ . By Rouché's Theorem, since  $f(z) = 2z^5$  has five zeros inside  $C_2$  (counting multiplicities) then so does  $f(z) + g(z) = 2z^5 + 8z - 1$ .

Finally, since  $2z^5 + 8z - 1$  has one zero inside  $C_1$  and five zeros inside  $C_2$ , it has four zeros in the annulus 1 < |z| < 2.