

ANSWERS

1. a) True. b) True. c) False. d) True.

2.

$$\left(\frac{\sqrt{2} - i\sqrt{5}}{\sqrt{5} + i\sqrt{2}}\right)^{11} = (-i)^{11} = i, \quad (1 + i\sqrt{3})^9 = (2e^{\frac{1}{3}\pi i})^9 = -512.$$

3. Valid between the nearest singularities: $0 < |z| < 2$.

$$\frac{1}{e^{\pi z} - 1} = \frac{1}{1 + \pi z + \frac{1}{2}\pi^2 z^2 + \dots - 1} = \frac{1}{\pi z(1 + \frac{1}{2}\pi z + \dots)} = \frac{1}{\pi z} (1 - \frac{1}{2}\pi z + \dots) = \frac{1}{\pi z} - \frac{1}{2} + \dots$$

4. We can write $f(z) = h(z)/z(z-1)^2$, with $h(z)$ an entire function. Since $zf(z) = h(z)/(z-1)^2 \rightarrow 1$ it follows with a corollary of Liouville that $h(z)$ is a 2nd order polynomial $h(z) = z^2 + bz + c$. Due to the symmetric zeros, $b = 0$. Since the residue of $f(z)/z$ in $z = 0$ is equal to $2c$, the given integral yields $c = 2$. So together we have

$$f(z) = \frac{z^2 + 2}{z(z-1)^2} = \frac{2}{z} + \frac{3}{(z-1)^2} - \frac{1}{z-1}.$$

5.

$$\int_0^{2\pi} \frac{\cos(50\theta)}{5 + 4\cos(\theta)} d\theta = \operatorname{Re} \left[\int_0^{2\pi} \frac{e^{50\theta i}}{5 + 4\cos(\theta)} d\theta \right] = \operatorname{Re} \left[\int_{|z|=1} \frac{\frac{1}{2}z^{50}}{\frac{5}{2} + z + z^{-1}} \frac{dz}{iz} \right] = \operatorname{Re} \left[\frac{1}{2i} \int_{|z|=1} \frac{z^{50}}{(z+2)(z+\frac{1}{2})} dz \right] = \frac{2}{3}\pi \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^{50}$$

6. a) w is negative real along the positive imaginary axis, therefore negative real along the upper side of the branch cut and hence positive real along the lower side.

b) w is everywhere analytic except along the branch cut $[-1, 1]$. Let the contour $|z| = R$ shrink to the branch cut, and parametrise $z = t$ with $t = -1 \dots 1$ down under the cut where $w(z) = \sqrt{1-t^2} > 0$, and $z = -t$ with $t = -1 \dots 1$ above the cut where $w(z) = -\sqrt{1-t^2} < 0$. We obtain, using the transformation $t = \sin \theta$,

$$\int_{-1}^1 \frac{1}{\sqrt{1-t^2}} dt + \int_{-1}^1 \frac{1}{-\sqrt{1-t^2}} \cdot (-1) dt = 2 \int_{-1}^1 \frac{1}{\sqrt{1-t^2}} dt = 2 \int_{-\pi/2}^{\pi/2} d\theta = 2\pi$$

Alternative: one may expand $1/w$ into a Laurent series in $|z| > 1$, starting with $(iz)^{-1} + \dots$

7. In the usual way (close the contour along the upper/lower half for e^{iz}/e^{-iz}) we find

$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{\cos z}{z-t-i\epsilon} dz = \pi i e^{it} e^{-\epsilon}, \quad \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{\cos z}{z-t+i\epsilon} dz = -\pi i e^{-it} e^{-\epsilon},$$

so

$$\lim_{\epsilon \downarrow 0} \frac{1}{2\pi} (\pi i e^{it} e^{-\epsilon} - \pi i e^{-it} e^{-\epsilon}) = -\sin t.$$

Alternative: take the integrals together and write the result as

$$\operatorname{Re} \left[\frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{2(z-t)e^{iz}}{(z-t)^2 + \epsilon^2} dz \right].$$