Evaluate
$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{dx}{(x^2+4)^3}$$

Solution:

The integrand $\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{1}{(x^2+4)^3}$ have a pole from the 3rd order at the point 2i which is only singularity of f in the upper half plane computing the Residues

$$\lim_{z \to 2i} (z - 2i)^3 \frac{1}{(z^2 + 4)^3} = \lim_{z \to 2i} (z - 2i)^3 \frac{1}{(z - 2i)^3 (z + 2i)^3} = \frac{i}{64} \neq 0 , \quad m = 3$$

$$Res[f, 2i] = \frac{1}{2!} \lim_{z \to 2i} \frac{d^2}{dz^2} \frac{1}{(z+2i)^3}$$

$$f(z) = (z + 2i)^{-3} \stackrel{'}{\to} f'(z) = -3(z + 2i)^{-4} \stackrel{''}{\to} f''(z) = 12(z + 2i)^{-5}$$

$$Res[f, 2i] = \frac{1}{2} \lim_{z \to 2i} \frac{12}{(z+2i)^5}$$

$$=\frac{1}{2}\,\frac{12}{(4i)^5}=\frac{-3i}{512}$$

$$\therefore \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{1}{(x^2 + 4)^3} = 2\pi i \left(\frac{-3i}{512}\right) = \frac{3}{256}\pi$$

Note:

if $f(x): -\infty < x < \infty$ is an even function one where f(-x) = f(x) for all x and assume that the cauchy principle value exists, the symmetry of the graph of y = f(x) with respect to the y - axis tells us that

$$\int_{-R}^{R} f(x) dx = \int_{-R}^{0} f(x) dx + \int_{0}^{R} f(x) dx$$

$$\because \int_{-R}^{0} f(x) dx = \int_{0}^{R} f(x) dx$$

then

$$\int_{-R}^{R} f(x)dx = 2 \int_{0}^{R} f(x)dx = 2 \int_{-R}^{0} f(x)dx$$

Example

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

Solution:

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

The function having poles : i, -1 + i lies in the upper half plane

$$Res[f, i] = \lim_{z \to i} (z - i) \frac{z^2}{(z+i)(z-i)(z^2+2z+2)}$$

$$Res[f,i] = \frac{-1}{(2i)(1+2i)} = \frac{1}{4-2i} = \frac{4+2i}{20}$$

$$Res[f, -1+i] = \lim_{z \to -1+i} (z+1-i) \frac{z^2}{(z^2+1)(z+1-i)(z+1+i)}$$

$$=\frac{(-1+i)^2}{((-1+i)^2+1)(-1+i+1+i)}=\frac{-2i}{(1-2i)(2i)}$$

$$Res[f, -1 + i] = \frac{-1}{1-2i} = \frac{-1-2i}{5}$$

$$\therefore \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{x^2}{(x^2+1)(x^2+2x+2)} = 2\pi i \left(\frac{4+2i}{20} - \frac{1+2i}{5} \right) = \frac{3\pi}{5}$$

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

Solution:

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

$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{dx}{(x^2+1)^2} = \lim_{R \to \infty} \int_{-R}^{R} \frac{dz}{(z^2+1)^2}$$

z = i is The poles from 2nd order

$$\emptyset(z) = \lim_{z \to i} (z - i)^2 \frac{1}{(z - i)^2 (z + i)^2} = \frac{-1}{4} \neq 0$$

$$Res[f, i] = \lim_{z \to i} \frac{d}{dz} (z - i)^2 \frac{1}{(z - i)^2 (z + i)^2}$$

$$Res[f,i] = \lim_{z \to i} \frac{d}{dz} \frac{1}{(z+i)^2}$$

$$Res[f, i] = \lim_{z \to i} \frac{-2}{(z+i)^3} = \frac{-2}{-8i} = \frac{-i}{4}$$

$$\therefore \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{1}{(x^2+1)^2} dx = 2\pi i \left[\frac{-i}{4} \right] = \frac{\pi}{2}$$

$$\therefore \int_0^\infty \frac{dx}{(x^2+1)^2} = \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{\pi}{2} \right) = \frac{\pi}{4}$$

Evaluate
$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{x+3}{(x^2+9)} dx$$

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Example

Evaluate
$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{dx}{x^2 + 2x + 2}$$

Solution:

$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{dx}{x^2 + 2x + 2} = \lim_{R \to \infty} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{dz}{z^2 + 2z + 2}$$

The function f(z) have a simple pole -1 + i lies in the upper half plane

$$Res[f, -1 + i] = \lim_{z \to -1 + i} (z + 1 - i) \frac{1}{(z+1-i)(z+1+i)}$$

$$Res[f, -1 + i] = \frac{1}{2i}$$

$$\therefore \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{1}{x^2 + 2x + 2} dx = 2\pi i \left(\frac{1}{2i}\right) = \pi$$

calculate
$$\int_0^\infty \frac{\ln(x+i)}{x^2+1}$$

Solution:

$$\int_0^\infty \frac{\ln(x+i)}{x^2+1} dx = \frac{1}{2} \int_{-\infty}^\infty \frac{\ln(x+i)}{x^2+1} dx$$

 $f(z) = \frac{\ln(z+i)}{z^2+1}$ having simple pole z=i in the upper half plane, calculate Residues

$$Res[f,i] = \lim_{z \to i} (z-i) \frac{\ln(z+i)}{(z-i)(z+i)}$$
$$= \frac{\ln(2i)}{2i}$$

$$\therefore \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{\ln(z+i)}{z^2+1} dz = 2\pi i \, Res[f,i] = 2\pi i \frac{\ln 2i}{2i} = \pi \ln 2i$$

$$\therefore \int_0^\infty \frac{\ln(z+i)}{z^2+1} dz = \frac{1}{2} (\pi \ln 2i)$$
$$= \frac{\pi}{2} \ln 2i = \frac{\pi}{2} \left(\ln 2 + i \frac{\pi}{2} \right)$$

Example

calculate
$$\int_0^\infty \frac{dx}{x^4 + 16} dx$$

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