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# MA 631 - SPECIAL FUNCTIONS - Tut 5

Quiz 1 problems

① Riemann  $\xi$ -function:

$$\xi(s) := \frac{s(s-1)}{2} \pi^{-\frac{s}{2}} \Gamma\left(\frac{s}{2}\right) \zeta(s).$$

①  $\xi(1-s) = \xi(s).$

$$\xi(1-s) = \frac{(1-s)(1-s-1)}{2} \pi^{-\frac{(1-s)}{2}} \Gamma\left(\frac{1-s}{2}\right) \zeta(1-s)$$

$$= \xi(s) \quad (\text{using the functional eqn. for } \zeta(s)).$$

②  $\xi(s)$  is an entire fn. of  $s$ .

$\pi^{-\frac{s}{2}} \Gamma\left(\frac{s}{2}\right) \zeta(s)$  is analytic in  $\mathbb{C} \setminus \{0, 1\}$

(see the lecture on funct. eqn. of  $\zeta(s)$ ).

Hence mult. it by  $\frac{s(s-1)}{2}$  makes it

entire, as the poles of  $\Gamma\left(\frac{s}{2}\right)$  &  $\zeta(s)$  at

$s=0, 1$  resp. are killed by the zeros of  $s(s-1)$  at  $s=0, 1$  resp.

Hence  $\xi(s)$  is entire.

$$\textcircled{2} \frac{2}{e^t + 1} = 1 - \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} 2(2^{2k} - 1) \frac{B_{2k}}{(2k)!} t^{2k-1} \quad (|t| < \pi)$$

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$$\textcircled{1} \frac{2e^{-t/2}}{e^{t/2} + e^{-t/2}} = 1 - \tanh\left(\frac{t}{2}\right)$$

$$1 - \frac{2}{e^t + 1} = \tanh(t)$$

Another proof:

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

$$= \frac{1}{t} \left( \frac{2te^{\frac{1}{2}(2t)}}{e^{2t} - 1} - \frac{2te^{0(2t)}}{e^{2t} - 1} \right)$$

Since  $\frac{te^{xt}}{e^t - 1} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{B_n(x) t^n}{n!} \quad (|t| < 2\pi)$

implies

$$\frac{2te^{2t(\frac{1}{2})}}{e^{2t} - 1} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{B_n(\frac{1}{2}) (2t)^n}{n!} \quad (|t| < \pi)$$

$$= \frac{1}{t} \left( \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{B_n \left(\frac{1}{2}\right) (2t)^n}{n!} - \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{B_n(0) (2t)^n}{n!} \right)$$

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( $\because$   $n=0$  terms of both series cancel out)

$$= \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(2^{1-n} - 1) B_n 2^n t^{n-1}}{n!} - \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{B_n 2^n t^{n-1}}{n!}$$

$$= \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{2^n t^{n-1} B_n (2^{1-n} - 2)}{n!}$$

$$= -2 B_1 + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{2^{2n} t^{2n-1} B_{2n} (2^{1-2n} - 2)}{(2n)!}$$

$$= 1 + 2 \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(1 - 2^{2n}) t^{2n-1} B_{2n}}{(2n)!}$$

$$= 1 - 2 \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(2^{2n} - 1) B_{2n} t^{2n-1}}{(2n)!}$$

## Homework 1

(\*) For  $\operatorname{Re}(\log a) > 0$  &  $\operatorname{Re}(a) > -1$ , evaluate  $\int_0^{\infty} \frac{x^a}{a^x} dx$ .

Convergence of the integral:

As  $x \rightarrow 0^+$ :  $\frac{x^a}{a^x}$  behaves like  $x^a$ ,

so to secure convergence at 0, we need  $\operatorname{Re}(a+1) > 0$ , i.e.;  $\operatorname{Re}(a) > -1$ .

As  $x \rightarrow \infty$ :  $\frac{x^a}{a^x} = e^{-x \log a} x^a$ ,

so to secure convergence at  $\infty$ , we need  $\operatorname{Re}(\log a) > 0$ ,

First, let  $a \in \mathbb{R} \ni a > 1$ . Then  $\log a > 0$ .

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Let } a^x = e^t &\Rightarrow x \log a = t \\ &\Rightarrow dx = \frac{dt}{\log a}. \end{aligned}$$

when  $x = 0$ ,  $t = 0$

when  $x = \infty$ ,  $t = \infty$

Hence

$$\int_0^{\infty} \frac{x^a}{a^x} dx = \int_0^{\infty} e^{-t} \left( \frac{t}{\log a} \right)^a \frac{dt}{\log a}$$

$$= \frac{1}{(\log a)^{a+1}} \int_0^{\infty} e^{-t} \frac{t^{(a+1)-1}}{t} dt$$

$$= \frac{\Gamma(a+1)}{(\log a)^{a+1}}, \quad \operatorname{Re}(a+1) > 0$$

Hence

$$\int_0^{\infty} \frac{x^a}{a^x} dx = \frac{\Gamma(a+1)}{(\log a)^{a+1}}, \quad \text{for } a > -1 \quad (\xi)$$

We now show that both sides are analytic in  $\operatorname{Re}(a) > -1$  &  $\operatorname{Re}(\log a) > 0$ . Then by identity thm,  $(\xi)$  is valid in this region.

Analyticity of LHS of  $(\xi)$  is guaranteed by Thm.  $(*)$  of Lec. 6.

Analyticity of RHS of  $(\xi)$ :

$\Gamma(a+1)$  is analytic in  $\operatorname{Re}(a) > -1$ .

$$\frac{1}{(\log a)^{a+1}} = \frac{- (a+1) \log \log a}{e}$$

This expression is analytic as long as  $a \notin (-\infty, 0]$  and  $\log a \notin (-\infty, 0]$ .

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$$a \notin (-\infty, 0]$$

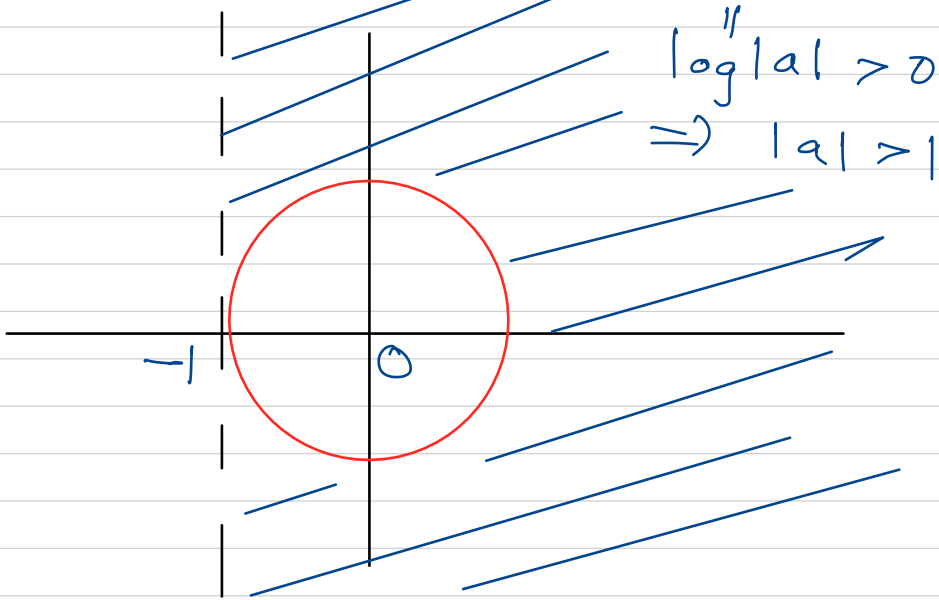
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$$a \notin (0, 1]$$

$$\Rightarrow a \notin (-\infty, 1]$$

( $\operatorname{Re}(a) > -1$  was anyway implying that  $a \notin (-\infty, -1]$  but what we have shown above also tells us that  $a \notin (-1, 1]$ ).

Remark: That  $|a| \notin 1$  for a real can also be seen from the fact  $\operatorname{Re}(\log a) > 0$



Problem 
$$\int_0^{\pi/2} \frac{d\theta}{\sqrt{1 - \frac{1}{2} \sin^2 \theta}} = \frac{2}{4\sqrt{\pi}} \Gamma\left(\frac{1}{4}\right)$$

Proof: Let  $\sin^2 \phi = \frac{1}{2} \sin^2 \theta$

$$\sin \phi = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \sin \theta$$

$$\cos \phi \, d\phi = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \cos \theta \, d\theta.$$

$$d\theta = \frac{\sqrt{2} \cos \phi}{\cos \theta} d\phi$$

$$= \frac{\sqrt{2} \cos \phi}{\sqrt{1 - \sin^2 \theta}} d\phi = \frac{\sqrt{2} \cos \phi}{\sqrt{1 - 2\sin^2 \phi}}$$

$$= \frac{\sqrt{2} \cos \phi}{\sqrt{\cos 2\phi}} d\phi$$

when  $\theta = 0$   $\phi = 0$   
 when  $\theta = \frac{\pi}{2}$   $\phi = \frac{\pi}{4}$

$$\Rightarrow \int_0^{\pi/2} \frac{d\theta}{\sqrt{1 - \frac{1}{2}\sin^2 \theta}} = \int_0^{\pi/4} \frac{1}{\cos \phi} \cdot \frac{\sqrt{2} \cos \phi \, d\phi}{\sqrt{\cos 2\phi}}$$

$$= \sqrt{2} \int_0^{\pi/4} (\cos 2\phi)^{-1/2} d\phi$$

Let  $2\phi = t$   $2d\phi = dt$

$$= \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} \int_0^{\pi/2} (\cos t)^{-1/2} dt$$

Now  $\int_0^{\pi/2} (\sin \theta)^p (\cos \theta)^q d\theta = \frac{1}{2} B\left(\frac{p+1}{2}, \frac{q+1}{2}\right)$

Hence  $\int_0^{\pi/2} \frac{d\theta}{\sqrt{1-\frac{1}{2}\sin^2\theta}}$

$$= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \cdot \frac{1}{2} B\left(\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{4}\right)$$

$$= \frac{1}{2\sqrt{2}} \frac{\Gamma\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)\Gamma\left(\frac{1}{4}\right)}{\Gamma\left(\frac{3}{4}\right)}$$

$$= \frac{\sqrt{\pi}}{2\sqrt{2}} \frac{\Gamma\left(\frac{1}{4}\right)^2}{\Gamma\left(\frac{1}{4}\right)\Gamma\left(\frac{3}{4}\right)}$$

$$= \frac{\sqrt{\pi}}{2\sqrt{2}} \frac{\Gamma\left(\frac{1}{4}\right)^2}{\pi}$$

$$= \frac{\Gamma\left(\frac{1}{4}\right)^2 \sin\left(\frac{\pi}{4}\right)}{4\sqrt{\pi}}$$