

CY404: Assignment - 1

Go through the following worked exercises and spot errors, if any:

1. If $f(x) = 2x^2 - 1$, what is $f(\sin t)$?

Ans: $2\sin^2 t - 1 = -\cos 2t$

2. $e^{x^2} \cos 3x$ is an even function. True or False?

Ans: True (because both e^{x^2} and $\cos 3x$ are even).

What about $e^x \cos 3x$ and $e^{x^2} \sin 3x$?

3. Differentiate

(a) $\log \cos\left(\frac{1}{x}\right)$

Ans: $\frac{1}{\cos\frac{1}{x}} \left(-\sin\frac{1}{x}\right)\left(-\frac{1}{x^2}\right) = \frac{1}{x^2} \tan\frac{1}{x}$

(b) $\sin(\cos x)$

Ans: $\{\cos(\cos x)\}(-\sin x) = -\sin x \cos(\cos x)$

(c) $x^{\cos x}$

Ans: $x^{\cos x-1} (-\sin x) = -\sin x x^{\cos x-1}$

(d) $\sin^{-1}\left(\frac{x}{x+1}\right)$

Ans: let $\sin^{-1}\left(\frac{x}{x+1}\right) = t$ so that, $\sin t = \frac{x}{x+1}$

$$\cos t \frac{dt}{dx} = \frac{1}{x+1} - \frac{x}{(x+1)^2}$$

Therefore, the required derivative is

$$\left(\frac{1}{\cos t}\right)\left\{\frac{1}{x+1} - \frac{x}{(x+1)^2}\right\} = \frac{\frac{1}{x+1} - \frac{x}{(x+1)^2}}{\sqrt{1 - \left(\frac{x}{x+1}\right)^2}} = \frac{1}{(x+1)\sqrt{2x+1}}$$

4. If $z = x + iy$ what is $\log(z)$?

$$\text{Ans: } z = re^{i\theta}; \quad \log(z) = \log(r) + i\theta = \log(\sqrt{x^2 + y^2}) + i(\tan^{-1} \frac{y}{x})$$

5. Find the real and imaginary part of $\sin(ix)$

$$\text{Ans: } e^{ix} = \cos x + i \sin x; \quad e^{-ix} = \cos x - i \sin x; \quad e^{-ix} - e^{ix} = -2i \sin x$$

$$\sin x = -\frac{1}{i} \frac{(e^{-ix} - e^{ix})}{2} = i \frac{(e^{-ix} - e^{ix})}{2} \quad \therefore \sin ix = i \frac{(e^x - e^{-x})}{2} = i \sinh x$$

Real part = 0; imaginary part = $i \sinh x$

6. Show that $(\cos x + i \sin x)^2 = \cos 2x + i \sin 2x$

$$\text{Ans: Let } Z = e^{ix}. \text{ Then, } (\cos x + i \sin x)^2 = Z^2 = e^{2ix} = \cos 2x + i \sin 2x$$

Generalise this to de Moivre's theorem: $(\cos x + i \sin x)^n = \cos nx + i \sin nx$ for n = positive or negative integer or a fraction p/q where p and q are integers.

Try the following problems:

1. Consider the two functions:

(i) Gaussian: $\exp(-a^2 x^2)$

(ii) Lorentzian: $1/(a^2 + x^2)$.

For each function derive an expression for the half width (*i.e.*, the width at half height).

Plot the two functions and their first derivatives for $a = 1$.

2. If $u = (x^2 - 1)^n$, where n is a positive integer, show that,

$$u^k = (n - k + 1)(2x) \frac{u^{k-1}}{x^2 - 1} + (k - 1)(2n - k + 2) \frac{u^{k-2}}{x^2 - 1}$$

where, u^k denotes the k^{th} derivative of u .

3. The complex number $re^{i\theta}$ may be symbolically written as (r, θ) . Show that,

$$[(r, \theta) + (s, \varphi)](t, \psi) = (r, \theta)(t, \psi) + (s, \varphi)(t, \psi).$$