Section 11: Complex Analysis

New classes of definite integrals

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ABSTRACT_

We consider an integral of the form

$$I_1 = \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} \frac{P_n(e^x)}{Q_m(e^x)} \frac{dx}{(\sinh x + ax)^2 + a^2 \pi^2},$$
(1)

where a = const, $a \neq 0$; $P_n(x)$ and $Q_m(x)$ are real polynomials of the real variable x of degree n and m, respectively; $m \ge n-1$; $Q_m(e^x) \ne 0$ for real x. The integral (1) is evaluated in closed form by integrating of some function of complex variable in complex plane along the closed contur and using the residue theorem. For using the residue theorem it is proved that at a > 0 and $a \ne 1$ in the trip $0 \le \text{Im}z \le 2\pi$ there are only 3 simple zeros of the function $\varphi(z) = \sinh z + a(z - \pi i)$: $z_1 = \pi i, z_{2,3} = i(\pi \pm \beta)$ if $a \in (0, 1)$, and $z_{2,3} = i\pi \pm \gamma$, if a > 1. Here β is the positive root of equation $\sin \beta = a\beta$, $0 < \beta < \pi$ and γ is the positive root of equation $\sinh \gamma = a\gamma$ (location of the roots $\sin \beta = a\beta$ see also in [1]).

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