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show that  $\int_x^\infty e^{it} t^{-m} dt \sim \frac{ie^{ix}}{x^m} \sum_{n=0}^\infty \frac{(-1)^n i^n (m+n-1)!}{(m-1)! x^n}$  as  $x \rightarrow \infty$ ,  $m = 1, 2, \dots$

integration by parts :  $u = t^{-m}$ ,  $dv = e^{it} dt \Rightarrow du = -mt^{-(m+1)}$ ,  $v = -ie^{it}$

$$\int_x^\infty e^{it} t^{-m} dt = t^{-m} \cdot -ie^{it} \Big|_x^\infty - im \int_x^\infty e^{it} t^{-(m+1)} dt = \frac{ie^{ix}}{x^m} - im \int_x^\infty e^{it} t^{-(m+1)} dt$$

we want to show that  $\int_x^\infty e^{it} t^{-m} dt \sim \frac{ie^{ix}}{x^m}$  as  $x \rightarrow \infty$

$$\int_x^\infty e^{it} t^{-m} dt = s_0(x) + r_0(x), \quad s_0(x) = \frac{ie^{ix}}{x^m}, \quad r_0(x) = -im \int_x^\infty e^{it} t^{-(m+1)} dt$$

substitute  $t = xs$ ,  $dt = xds$

$$\int_x^\infty e^{it} t^{-(m+1)} dt = \int_1^\infty e^{ixs} (xs)^{-(m+1)} x ds = x^{-m} \int_1^\infty e^{ixs} s^{-(m+1)} ds$$

### Riemann-Lebesgue lemma

1. The Fourier transform of an  $L^1$  function vanishes at  $\infty$ .
2. If  $\int_{-\infty}^\infty |f(x)| dx$  is finite, then  $\hat{f}(k) = \int_{-\infty}^\infty f(x) e^{ikx} dx \rightarrow 0$  as  $k \rightarrow \infty$ .

The idea is that the integrand oscillates more and more rapidly as  $k$  increases, and the  $\pm$  contributions to the integral cancel in the limit  $k \rightarrow \infty$ ; there is no definite rate and the decay can be arbitrarily slow, but nonetheless it shows that  $r_0(x) = o(x^{-m})$  as  $x \rightarrow \infty$ .

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case 1 :  $f(x) = \chi_{(a,b)}(x)$  : characteristic function of an interval

$$\int_{-\infty}^\infty f(x) e^{ikx} dx = \int_a^b e^{ikx} dx = \frac{e^{ikx}}{ik} \Big|_a^b = \frac{e^{ikb}}{ik} - \frac{e^{ika}}{ik} \rightarrow 0 \text{ as } k \rightarrow \infty$$

case 2 :  $f(x) = \sum_{i=1}^N c_i \chi_{(a_i, b_i)}(x)$  : simple function ...

case 3 :  $f \in L^1$

given  $\epsilon > 0$ , there exists a simple function  $g(x)$  st  $\int_{-\infty}^\infty |f(x) - g(x)| dx < \epsilon$

there exists  $N$  st  $k > N \Rightarrow \left| \int_{-\infty}^\infty g(x) e^{ikx} dx \right| < \epsilon$

$$\left| \int_{-\infty}^\infty f(x) e^{ikx} dx \right| = \left| \int_{-\infty}^\infty (f(x) - g(x) + g(x)) e^{ikx} dx \right| < \dots < 2\epsilon \quad \text{ok}$$