

- A non-constant entire fn., being unbounded, has a pole if it's a polynomial or an essential singularity if it is not.
- An analytic fn. whose only singularities in the finite plane are poles is called meromorphic fn.
e.g. $\operatorname{cosec}(z)$.

Sect. 16.3 - Residue Integration Method

- If f is analytic on and inside a simple closed path C , then $\oint_C f(z) dz = 0$ by Cauchy's integral theorem.
- If $f(z)$ has a singularity at a point $z = z_0$ inside C , but is otherwise analytic on C & inside it, $f(z)$ admits a Laurent series expansion

$$f(z) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n (z - z_0)^n + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{b_n}{(z - z_0)^n}$$

which converges in $0 < |z - z_0| < R$ for some positive R .

MAIN IDEA

$$b_1 = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \oint_C f(z) dz.$$

Now there are many ways to obtain Laurent series of $f(z)$, so without using the integral formulas for the coefficients, if we are able to get the coefficients,

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we can use them to evaluate the integral $\oint_C f(z) dz$.

$$\text{Thus, } \oint_C f(z) dz = 2\pi i b_1,$$

(counterclockwise)

(C contains $z = z_0$, where f is singular, but no other singularities)

- The coefficient b_1 is called the residue of $f(z)$ at $z = z_0$, and is denoted by

$$b_1 = \text{Res}_{z=z_0} f(z)$$

Example:

$$\textcircled{1} \oint_C \frac{\cos z}{z^4} dz$$

C: $|z| = 1$
(counter-clockwise)

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\cos z}{z^4} &= \frac{1}{z^4} \left(1 - \frac{z^2}{2!} + \frac{z^4}{4!} - \frac{z^6}{6!} + \dots \right) \\ &= \frac{1}{z^4} - \frac{1}{2! z^2} + \frac{1}{4!} - \frac{z^2}{6!} + \dots \end{aligned}$$

The coefficient of $1/z$ is 0.

$$\Rightarrow \oint_C \frac{\cos z}{z^4} dz = 2\pi i(0) = 0$$

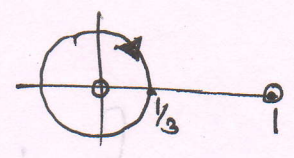
$$\textcircled{2} \oint_C \frac{\sin z}{z^4} dz \quad C: |z| = 1$$

$$\frac{\sin z}{z^4} = \frac{1}{z^4} \left(z - \frac{z^3}{3!} + \frac{z^5}{5!} - \dots \right) = \frac{1}{z^3} - \frac{1}{3! z} + \frac{z}{5!} - \dots$$

Coefficient of $1/z$ is $-1/6$.

$$\Rightarrow \oint_C \frac{\sin z}{z^4} dz = 2\pi i(-1/6) = -\frac{\pi i}{3}$$

3) Integrate $f(z) = \frac{1}{z^3 - z^4}$ clockwise around the circle $C: |z| = \frac{1}{3}$.



Ans. $\frac{1}{z^3 - z^4} = \frac{1}{z^3(1-z)}$ is singular at $z=0$ & $z=1$.

However, $z=1$ lies outside of $|z| = \frac{1}{3}$. Hence we are interested in the Laurent series of $f(z)$ that converges in $0 < |z| < 1$ only. It is given by

$$\frac{1}{z^3 - z^4} = \frac{1}{z^3} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} z^n = \frac{1}{z^3} + \frac{1}{z^2} + \frac{1}{z} + 1 + z + \dots$$

Coefficient of $\frac{1}{z}$ is 1.

$$\Rightarrow \oint_C \frac{1}{z^3 - z^4} dz = \underset{\substack{\uparrow \\ \text{clockwise}}}{-2\pi i} (1) = -2\pi i.$$

Remark: If we had taken the Laurent series of $\frac{1}{z^3 - z^4}$ for $|z| > 1$, we would get a wrong answer, namely, 0.

Formulas for residues at simple poles

- To calculate a residue at a pole, it may not always be feasible to write down the Laurent series and then look at the coefficient of $\frac{1}{z - z_0}$.
- It will be helpful to have direct formulas for calculating the residues.

Suppose $f(z)$ has a simple pole at $z = z_0$. Then

$$f(z) = \frac{b_1}{z - z_0} + a_0 + a_1(z - z_0) + \dots \quad (0 < |z - z_0| < R)$$

with $b_1 \neq 0$.

$$\Rightarrow (z - z_0) f(z) = b_1 + (z - z_0)(a_0 + a_1(z - z_0) + \dots)$$

$$\Rightarrow \lim_{z \rightarrow z_0} (z - z_0) f(z) = b_1.$$

$$\text{Thus } \text{Res}_{z=z_0} f(z) = b_1 = \lim_{z \rightarrow z_0} (z - z_0) f(z).$$

Examples

$$\begin{aligned} \textcircled{1} \text{ Res}_{z=-i} \frac{4}{1+z^2} &= \lim_{z \rightarrow -i} (z+i) \frac{4}{1+z^2} = \lim_{z \rightarrow -i} \frac{(z+i) \cdot 4}{(z+i)(z-i)} \\ &= \frac{4}{-i-i} = \frac{4}{-2i} = 2i. \end{aligned}$$

Now let $f(z) = \frac{p(z)}{q(z)}$, (p, q analytic),

$p(z_0) \neq 0$ & $q(z)$ has a simple zero at z_0 .

Thus f has a simple pole at z_0 .

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Then } \text{Res}_{z=z_0} f(z) &= \lim_{z \rightarrow z_0} (z - z_0) \frac{p(z)}{q(z)} \\ &= \lim_{z \rightarrow z_0} \frac{(z - z_0) (p(z_0) + (z - z_0)p'(z_0) + \dots)}{q(z_0) + (z - z_0)q'(z_0) + \frac{(z - z_0)^2}{2!}q''(z_0) + \dots} \\ &= \lim_{z \rightarrow z_0} \frac{(z - z_0) (p(z_0) + (z - z_0)p'(z_0) + \dots)}{(z - z_0) (q'(z_0) + \frac{(z - z_0)}{2!}q''(z_0) + \dots)} \quad (\text{Note } q'(z_0) \neq 0) \\ &= \frac{p(z_0)}{q'(z_0)}. \end{aligned}$$

Example

$$\operatorname{Res}_{z=1/2} \tan(\pi z) = \operatorname{Res}_{z=1/2} \frac{\sin(\pi z)}{\cos(\pi z)} = \frac{\sin(\pi/2)}{-\pi \sin(\pi/2)} = -\frac{1}{\pi}$$

Thus, $\oint_C \tan(\pi z) dz = -\frac{1}{\pi} \cdot 2\pi i$, where $C: |z - 1/2| = 1/2$
(counter-clockwise)

Formula for the residue at a pole of any order

Suppose $f(z)$ has a pole of order m at $z = z_0$. Then,

$$\operatorname{Res}_{z=z_0} f(z) = \frac{1}{(m-1)!} \lim_{z \rightarrow z_0} \frac{d^{m-1}}{dz^{m-1}} \left((z-z_0)^m f(z) \right)$$

Example Find the residue of $f(z) = \frac{z^2}{(z-1)^2(z+2)}$ at $z=1$.

Ans. $\operatorname{Res}_{z=1} f(z) = \frac{1}{(2-1)!} \lim_{z \rightarrow 1} \frac{d}{dz} \left((z-1)^2 f(z) \right)$

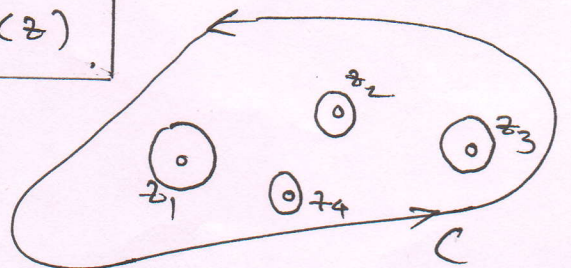
$$= \lim_{z \rightarrow 1} \frac{d}{dz} \left(\frac{z^2}{z+2} \right) = \lim_{z \rightarrow 1} \frac{(z+2)(2z) - z^2}{(z+2)^2}$$
$$= \lim_{z \rightarrow 1} \frac{z^2 + 4z}{(z+2)^2} = \frac{5}{9}$$

Several singularities inside the contour. Residue Thm.

Thm. (Residue Thm.)

Let $f(z)$ be analytic inside a simple closed path C & on C , except for finitely many singular points z_1, z_2, \dots, z_k inside C . Then

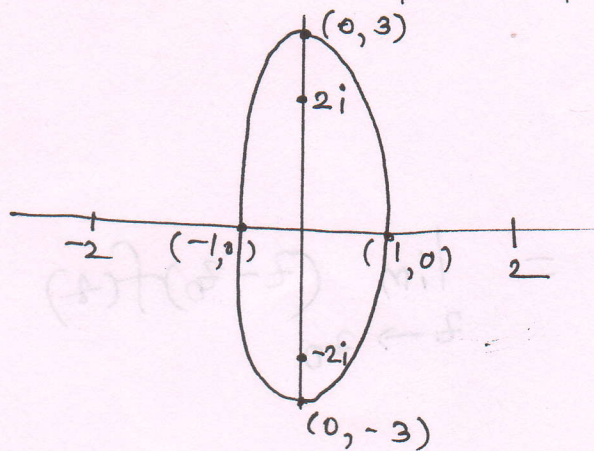
$$\oint_C f(z) dz = 2\pi i \sum_{j=1}^k \operatorname{Res}_{z=z_j} f(z)$$



Example

Evaluate the integral $\oint_C \left(\frac{z e^{\pi z}}{z^4 - 16} + z e^{\pi/z} \right) dz$,

where C is the ellipse $9x^2 + y^2 = 9$ (counterclockwise)



$$\oint_C \left(\frac{z e^{\pi z}}{z^4 - 16} + z e^{\pi/z} \right) dz = \oint_C \frac{z e^{\pi z}}{z^4 - 16} dz + \oint_C z e^{\pi/z} dz$$

$$=: \textcircled{1} + \textcircled{2}$$

By residue theorem,

$$\textcircled{1} = 2\pi i \left(\text{Res}_{z=2i} \frac{z e^{\pi z}}{z^4 - 16} + \text{Res}_{z=-2i} \frac{z e^{\pi z}}{z^4 - 16} \right) \quad \left[\begin{array}{l} \text{Simple} \\ \text{poles} \\ \text{at } z = \pm 2i \end{array} \right]$$

$$= 2\pi i \left\{ \left. \frac{z e^{\pi z}}{4z^3} \right|_{z=2i} + \left. \frac{z e^{\pi z}}{4z^3} \right|_{z=-2i} \right\}$$

$$= 2\pi i \left(-\frac{1}{16} - \frac{1}{16} \right) = -\frac{\pi i}{4}$$

$\textcircled{2}$: $z e^{\pi/z}$ has an essential singularity at $z=0$.

$$z e^{\pi/z} = z \left(1 + \frac{\pi}{z} + \frac{\pi^2}{2!z^2} + \dots \right) = z + \pi + \frac{\pi^2}{2z} + \dots$$

$$\Rightarrow \oint_C z e^{\pi/z} dz = 2\pi i \left(\frac{\pi^2}{2} \right) = \pi^3 i$$

Thus $\boxed{\text{Ans. } \pi^3 i - \frac{\pi i}{4} = \pi i \left(\pi^2 - \frac{1}{4} \right)}$

Sect. 16.4 - Evaluation of real integrals

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- Residue integration is useful for evaluating certain REAL integrals!

① Integrals of rational functions of $\cos\theta$ and $\sin\theta$

$$I = \int_0^{2\pi} F(\cos\theta, \sin\theta) d\theta$$

$F(\cos\theta, \sin\theta)$: real rational function of $\cos\theta$ & $\sin\theta$

Method: (i) Let $e^{i\theta} = z$ and set

$$\cos\theta = \frac{e^{i\theta} + e^{-i\theta}}{2} = \frac{1}{2}\left(z + \frac{1}{z}\right),$$

$$\sin\theta = \frac{e^{i\theta} - e^{-i\theta}}{2i} = \frac{1}{2i}\left(z - \frac{1}{z}\right).$$

(ii) Then F becomes a rational function in z .

(i) $\frac{dz}{d\theta} = ie^{i\theta} = iz \Rightarrow d\theta = \frac{dz}{iz}$

Hence $I = \oint_C f(z) \frac{dz}{iz}$, where C : unit circle traversed counterclockwise

Example: Evaluate $\int_0^{2\pi} \frac{\sin\theta}{3 + \cos\theta} d\theta$. Denote the integral by I .

Let $z = e^{i\theta}$ $\frac{dz}{iz} = d\theta$

Hence $I = \oint_C \frac{\frac{1}{2i}\left(z - \frac{1}{z}\right)}{3 + \frac{1}{2}\left(z + \frac{1}{z}\right)} \frac{dz}{iz}$ (C : unit circle counter-clockwise)

$$= - \oint_C \frac{z^2 - 1}{z(z^2 + 6z + 1)} dz$$

$$= - \oint_C \frac{(z^2-1) dz}{z(z+3-2\sqrt{2})(z+3+2\sqrt{2})}$$

Out of the three poles $z=0$, $z=-3+2\sqrt{2}$, $z=-3-2\sqrt{2}$, two of them, namely 0 & $-3+2\sqrt{2}$ lie within the unit circle. Hence by residue theorem,

$$I = -2\pi i \left\{ \operatorname{Res}_{z=0} \frac{z^2-1}{z(z^2+6z+1)} + \operatorname{Res}_{z=-3+2\sqrt{2}} \frac{z^2-1}{z(z^2+6z+1)} \right\}$$

$$= -2\pi i \left\{ \frac{0^2-1}{0^2+6(0)+1} + \frac{(-3+2\sqrt{2})^2-1}{(-3+2\sqrt{2})(-3+2\sqrt{2}+3+2\sqrt{2})} \right\}$$

$$= -2\pi i \left\{ -1 + \frac{16-12\sqrt{2}}{16-12\sqrt{2}} \right\} = 0.$$

② Improper integrals of rational functions

$$I = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(x) dx = \lim_{a \rightarrow -\infty} \int_a^0 f(x) dx + \lim_{b \rightarrow \infty} \int_0^b f(x) dx$$

If both limits exist, we couple the two independent passages to $-\infty$ & ∞ , and write

$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(x) dx = \lim_{R \rightarrow +\infty} \int_{-R}^R f(x) dx.$$

Conditions of f :

① f is a real rational function whose denominator is different from zero for all real x , that is, f does not have any poles on the real axis.

② $\deg(\text{Denominator}) \geq \deg(\text{Numerator}) + 2$, that is, $\deg(f(x)) \leq -2$.