

Ch 10 Residues

Evaluation of residues

Def 10.1

If $f(z) = \sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} C_k (z-z_0)^k$ in a deleted nbd of z_0 , C_{-1} is called the **residue** of f at z_0 . We use the notation $C_{-1} = \text{Res}(f; z_0)$.

Remark (p. 129-130)

(i) If f has a **simple pole** at z_0 , i.e.,

$$f(z) = \frac{A(z)}{B(z)}$$

where A and B are analytic at z_0 , $A(z_0) \neq 0$ and B has a simple zero at z_0 , then

$$C_{-1} = \lim_{z \rightarrow z_0} (z-z_0) f(z) = \frac{A(z_0)}{B'(z_0)}$$

(ii) If f has a pole of order k at z_0 ,

$$C_{-1} = \frac{1}{(k-1)!} \left. \frac{d^{k-1}}{dz^{k-1}} ((z-z_0)^k f(z)) \right|_{z=z_0}$$

pf of (i), (ii): Compute by Laurent expansions (use the remarks on p. 124-125)

(iii) In general, to obtain $\text{Res}(f; z_0)$, one just compute the Laurent expansion of f at z_0 .

Example

(i) $\text{Res}(\csc z; 0) = \text{Res}\left(\frac{1}{\sin z}; 0\right) = \frac{1}{\cos 0} = 1$ ↖ $\sin 0 = 0, (\sin z)'|_{z=0} = 1 \neq 0 \Rightarrow$ simple pole

(ii) $\text{Res}\left(\frac{1}{z-1}; i\right) = \frac{1}{i-1} = \frac{i}{4}$ ↖ simple pole

(iii) $\text{Res}\left(\frac{1}{z^2}; 0\right) = 0$

(iv) $\text{Res}\left(\sin \frac{1}{z-1}; 1\right) = 1$ because $\sin \frac{1}{z-1} = \frac{1}{z-1} - \frac{1}{3!(z-1)^3} + \frac{1}{5!(z-1)^5} - \dots$

(v) $\text{Res}\left(\sin \frac{1}{z-1}; i\right) = 0$ because $\sin \frac{1}{z-1}$ is analytic at i

Winding number

Def 10.2

Suppose that γ is a closed curve and that $a \notin \gamma$. Then

$$n(\gamma, a) = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{\gamma} \frac{dz}{z-a}$$

is called the **winding number** of γ around a .

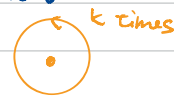
Example

① If $\gamma(\theta) = z_0 + r e^{i\theta}$, $0 \leq \theta \leq 2\pi$, then,

$$n(\gamma, a) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } a \in D(z_0; r) \\ 0 & \text{if } a \notin D(z_0; r) \end{cases} \quad \begin{array}{l} \text{(Cauchy Integral Formula, Thm 5.3)} \\ \text{(Closed Curve Thm, Thm 8.6)} \end{array}$$

② If $\gamma(\theta) = a + r e^{ik\theta}$, $0 \leq \theta \leq 2\pi$, $k \in \mathbb{Z} \setminus \{0\}$, then

$$n(\gamma, a) = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_0^{2\pi} \frac{1}{r e^{ik\theta}} r \cdot ik e^{ik\theta} d\theta = k$$



Thm 10.3

For any closed curve γ and $a \notin \gamma$, $n(\gamma, a)$ is an integer.

pf

Suppose γ is given by $z(t)$, $0 \leq t \leq 1$, and set

$$F(s) = \int_0^s \frac{z'(t)}{z(t)-a} dt \quad \leftarrow \text{ } 0 \leq s \leq 1 \quad F(1) = 2\pi i \cdot n(\gamma, a)$$

$\Rightarrow F'(s) = \frac{z'(s)}{z(s)-a}$ (Apply Fundamental Thm of Calculus to Re and Im parts respectively)

$$\Rightarrow \frac{d}{ds} [(z(s)-a) e^{-F(s)}] = z'(s) \cdot e^{-F(s)} + (z(s)-a) \cdot (-F'(s)) e^{-F(s)} = 0$$

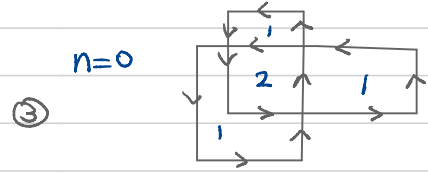
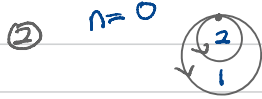
$$\Rightarrow (z(s)-a) e^{-F(s)} = \text{constant} = (z(0)-a) e^{-F(0)} = z(0)-a$$

$$\Rightarrow e^{F(s)} = (z(s)-a)/(z(0)-a)$$

Since γ is closed, $e^{F(1)} = \frac{z(1)-a}{z(0)-a} = 1$

$$\Rightarrow F(1) = 2\pi k i \text{ for some } k \in \mathbb{Z} \Rightarrow n(\gamma, a) = \frac{1}{2\pi i} F(1) = k \quad \#$$

Example



Residue Thm and applications

Thm 10.5 (Cauchy's Residue Thm)

Suppose f is analytic in a simply connected domain D except for isolated singularities at z_1, z_2, \dots, z_m .

Let γ be a closed piecewise C^1 curve not intersecting any of the singularities.

$$\text{Then } \int_{\gamma} f(z) dz = 2\pi i \sum_{k=1}^m n(\gamma, z_k) \text{Res}(f; z_k)$$

pf

Let $P_k(\frac{1}{z-z_k})$ be the principal part of the Laurent expansion at z_k .

$$\Rightarrow g(z) := \begin{cases} f(z) - P_1(\frac{1}{z-z_1}) - \dots - P_m(\frac{1}{z-z_m}) & \text{if } z \neq z_1, \dots, z_m \\ \lim_{z \rightarrow z_k} g(z) & \text{if } z = z_k \end{cases}$$

is an analytic function in D . (By Remark (p.124-125), z_1, \dots, z_m are removable singularities of g)

By Closed Curve Thm (Thm 8.6)

$$\Rightarrow \int_{\gamma} f(z) dz = \sum_{k=1}^m \int_{\gamma} P_k(\frac{1}{z-z_k}) dz$$

Furthermore, if

$$P_k(\frac{1}{z-z_k}) = \frac{C_{-1}}{z-z_k} + \frac{C_{-2}}{(z-z_k)^2} + \dots$$

$$\text{then } \int_{\gamma} P_k(\frac{1}{z-z_k}) dz = C_{-1} \int_{\gamma} \frac{1}{z-z_k} dz = \text{Res}(f; z_k) \cdot 2\pi i \cdot n(\gamma, z_k)$$

$$\Rightarrow \int_{\gamma} f(z) dz = 2\pi i \sum_{k=1}^m n(\gamma, z_k) \cdot \text{Res}(f; z_k) \quad \#$$

$$\int_{\gamma} \frac{1}{(z-z_k)^j} dz = \frac{(z-z_k)^{-j+1}}{-j+1} \Big|_{z=z_k}^{z(z)} = 0 \text{ for } j \neq 1$$

Example

$$\int_{|z|=1} \sin \frac{1}{z} dz = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n}{(2n+1)!} \int_{|z|=1} \frac{1}{z} dz$$

$$= 2\pi i \text{Res}(\sin \frac{1}{z}; 0)$$

$$= 2\pi i$$

Def 10.7 (holomorphic \equiv analytic)

We say f is meromorphic in a domain D if f is analytic in D except at isolated poles.

Argument Principle (Thm 10.8, Cor 10.9)

Let f be a meromorphic function in a simply connected domain D with poles p_1, \dots, p_m , and zeros z_1, \dots, z_n . Suppose

$\text{ord}(p_j) =$ the order of the pole p_j

$\text{ord}(z_k) =$ the order of the zero z_k

If γ is a closed C^1 curve in D , not passing through $p_1, \dots, p_m, z_1, \dots, z_n$, then

$$\frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{\gamma} \frac{f'(z)}{f(z)} dz = \sum_{k=1}^n \text{ord}(z_k) \cdot n(\gamma; z_k) - \sum_{j=1}^m \text{ord}(p_j) \cdot n(\gamma; p_j)$$

pf

① If f has a zero of order k at $z=a$, then

$$f(z) = (z-a)^k g(z)$$

where $g(a) \neq 0$, so

$$f'(z) = k(z-a)^{k-1} g(z) + (z-a)^k g'(z)$$

pf Hence $\frac{f'(z)}{f(z)} = \frac{k}{z-a} + \frac{g'(z)}{g(z)}$ has a simple pole at a with residue k .

② Similarly, if f has a pole of order l at $z=b$, then $f(z) = (z-b)^{-l} h(z)$

where $h(b) \neq 0$.
 $\Rightarrow \frac{f'(z)}{f(z)} = -\frac{l}{z-b} + \frac{h'(z)}{h(z)}$ has a simple pole at b with residue $-l$.

③ By Residue Thm,

$$\frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{\gamma} \frac{f'(z)}{f(z)} dz = \sum_{k=1}^n \text{ord}(z_k) \cdot n(r; z_k) - \sum_{j=1}^m \text{ord}(p_j) \cdot n(r; p_j) \quad \#$$

Remark (p.136)

The above theorem is known as "Argument Principle" because $\frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{\gamma} \frac{f'(z)}{f(z)} dz = \frac{1}{2\pi i} (\log f(\sigma(b)) - \log f(\sigma(a)))' = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \Delta \text{Arg} f(\sigma)$
 "the argument $f(\sigma)$ covers" eg.

Def 10.4

σ is called a **regular closed curve** if σ is a simple closed piecewise C^1 curve with $n(\sigma, a) = 0$ or $n(\sigma, a) = 1 \quad \forall a \notin \sigma$. In this case, we will call $\{a \in \mathbb{C} : n(\sigma, a) = 1\}$ the **inside** of σ and call $\{a \in \mathbb{C} : n(\sigma, a) = 0\}$ the **outside** of σ .

Rouché Thm (Thm 10.10)

Suppose that f and g are analytic inside and on a regular closed curve σ and that $|f(z)| > |g(z)| > 0 \quad \forall z \in \sigma$. Then

$$Z_f(f+g) = Z_f(f) \quad \text{inside } \sigma,$$

where $Z_f(f)$ is the number of zeros of f inside σ , counting multiplicities.

pf ① Note that if $f(z) = A(z)B(z)$, then $\frac{f'}{f} = \frac{A'}{A} + \frac{B'}{B}$

$$\Rightarrow \int_{\sigma} \frac{f'}{f} dz = \int_{\sigma} \frac{A'}{A} dz + \int_{\sigma} \frac{B'}{B} dz$$

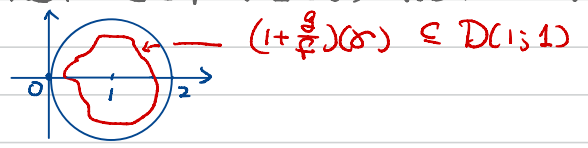
② Since $f+g = f(1 + \frac{g}{f})$, we have

Argument Principle (analytic \Rightarrow no pole)

$$Z_f(f+g) = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{\sigma} \frac{(f+g)'}{f+g} dz = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \left(\int_{\sigma} \frac{f'}{f} dz + \int_{\sigma} \frac{(1 + \frac{g}{f})'}{(1 + \frac{g}{f})} dz \right)$$

$$= Z_f(f) + \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{\sigma} \frac{(1 + \frac{g}{f})'}{(1 + \frac{g}{f})} dz$$

③ Since $|f(z)| > |g(z)| \quad \forall z \in \sigma$, we have $|\frac{g}{f}| < 1$



Since $D(1; 1)$ is simply connected, by Thm 8.5, \exists analytic branch h of \log in $D(1; 1) \Rightarrow \int_{\sigma} \frac{(1 + \frac{g}{f})'}{(1 + \frac{g}{f})} dz = h(1 + \frac{g}{f}) \Big|_{z=\sigma(a)}^{\sigma(b)}$
 $= 0$ (anti-derivative)

So by ②, $Z_f(f+g) = Z_f(f) \quad \#$

Example

Show that the polynomials $2z^2 + 4z^2 + 1$ and $2z^2 - 4z^2 + 1$ has exactly 2 zeros (counting multiplicities) in $|z| < 1$.

pf Note that, on $|z|=1$, $|4z^2| = 4 > 3 \geq |2z^2 + 1|$

By Rouché Thm,

$$Z_f(2z^2 + 4z^2 + 1) = Z_f(2z^2 - 4z^2 + 1) = Z_f(4z^2) = 2 \quad \#$$