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8.1 Residues

1. Define residue.

Definition: Let 'a' be an isolated singularity for f(z) then the residue of f(z) at 'a' is defined to be the co-eff of $\frac{1}{z-a}$ in the Laurent's series expansion of f(z) about 'a' and its denoted by $\text{Res} \{f(z); a\}$.

2. Find the residue of $\frac{ze^z}{(z-1)^3}$ at its poles.

Solution: Let $f(z) = \frac{ze^z}{(z-1)^3}$

$z = 1$ is a pole of order 3 for $f(z)$.

Let $g(z) = ze^z$ so that $g'(z) = e^z(z+1)$, $g''(z) = e^z(z+2)$

Then $\text{Res} \{f(z); 1\} = \frac{g''(1)}{2!} = 3e/2$

8.2 Cauchy Residue theorem

3. State Cauchy's Residue theorem.

Statement: Let $f(z)$ be a function which is analytic inside and on a simple closed curve C except for a finite number of singular points, z_1, z_2, \dots, z_n inside C then

$$\int_{\gamma} f(z)dz = 2\pi i \sum_{j=1}^n \text{Res} \{f(z); z_j\}.$$

Proof: Let C_1, C_2, \dots, C_n be the circles with centre z_1, z_2, \dots, z_n respectively such that all circles are interior to and are disjoint with each other inside C.

By Cauchy's theorem for multiply connected regions we have,

$$\begin{aligned} \int_C f(z)dz &= \int_{C_1} f(z)dz + \int_{C_2} f(z)dz + \dots + \int_{C_n} f(z)dz \\ &= \sum_{j=1}^n 2\pi i \text{Res} \{f(z), z_j\} \end{aligned}$$

4.State Argument Theorem.

Statement: Let f be analytic and on a simple closed curve C except for a finite number of poles inside C also let $f(z)$ have number of zeros on C then $\frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_C \frac{f'(z)}{f(z)} dz = N - P$. Where N is the number of zeros of $f(z)$ inside C and P is the number of poles of $f(z)$ inside C .

Proof: We observe that the singularities of the function $\frac{f'(z)}{f(z)}$ inside C are the poles and zeros of $f(z)$ lying inside C .

Let z_0 be a zero for $f(z)$. Let C_1 be a circle with centre z_0 such that it is the only zero of $f(z)$ inside C .

$$\text{Then } f(z) = (z - z_0)^n g(z)$$

$$\text{Then } f'(z) = (z - z_0)^{n-1} g(z) + (z - z_0)^n g'(z).$$

$$\frac{f'(z)}{g'(z)} = \frac{n(z-z_0)^{n-1} g(z)}{(z-z_0)^n g(z)} + \frac{(z-z_0)^n g'(z)}{(z-z_0)^n g(z)}$$

Where $g(z)$ is analytic and non zero inside C_1 , $\frac{g'(z)}{g(z)}$ is also analytic and hence can be expanded in Taylor's series about z_0 .

$$\text{Res} \left\{ \frac{f'(z)}{f(z)}; z_0 \right\} = n$$

Similarly if z_1 is a pole of order p for $f(z)$, then $\text{Res} \left\{ \frac{f'(z)}{f(z)}; z_1 \right\} = -p$

Hence by Cauchy's residue theorem, $\frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_C \frac{f'(z)}{f(z)} dz = N - P$. Where N is the number of zeros and P is the number of poles of $f(z)$ within C

5.State Rouché's theorem.

Statement : If $f(z)$ and $g(z)$ are analytic inside and on a simple closed curve C and if $|g(z)| < |f(z)|$ on C then $f(z) + g(z)$ and $f(z)$ have the same number of zeros.

$$\text{Proof: } f(z) + g(z) = f(z) \left[1 + \frac{g(z)}{f(z)} \right] = f(z) \varphi(z) \text{ where } \varphi(z) = \left[1 + \frac{g(z)}{f(z)} \right]$$

$$[f(z) + g(z)]' = f'(z) + g'(z) = f(z) \varphi'(z) + f'(z) \varphi(z)$$

$$\frac{f'(z)+g'(z)}{f(z)+g(z)} = \frac{f(z)\varphi'(z)+f'(z)\varphi(z)}{f(z)\varphi(z)}$$

$$= \frac{f'(z)}{f(z)} + \frac{\varphi'(z)}{\varphi(z)}$$

$$\frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_C \frac{f'(z)+g'(z)}{f(z)+g(z)} dz = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_C \frac{f'(z)}{f(z)} dz + \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_C \frac{\varphi'(z)}{\varphi(z)} dz. \rightarrow (1)$$

By hypothesis $|g(z)| < |f(z)|$ and hence $\left| \frac{g(z)}{f(z)} \right| < 1$ on C ,
 $|\varphi(z)| < 1$ on C .

Hence by maximum modulus theorem, $|\varphi(z) - 1| < 1$ for every point z lies inside C .

Therefore $\varphi(z) \neq 0$ for every point inside C .

$$\text{Hence } \int_C \frac{\varphi'(z)}{\varphi(z)} dz = \text{Number of zeros of } \varphi(z) \text{ within } C.$$

$$= 0$$

$$\text{Hence from (1) , we have } \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_C \frac{f'(z)+g'(z)}{f(z)+g(z)} dz = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_C \frac{f'(z)}{f(z)} dz.$$

Therefore $N_1 = N_2$ where N_1 and N_2 denote respectively the number of zeros of $f(z) + g(z)$ and $f(z)$ inside C .

6. State Fundamental theorem of algebra.

Statement : A polynomial of degree n with complex coefficients has n zeros in \mathbb{C} .

8.3 Evaluation of Definite Integrals

Type : 1

$\int_0^{2\pi} f(\cos\theta, \sin\theta)d\theta$ where $f(\cos\theta, \sin\theta)$ rational function of $\cos\theta$ and $\sin\theta$.

To evaluate this type of integral we substitute $z = e^{i\theta}$. As θ varies from 0 to 2π , z describes the unit circle $|z| = 1$.

$$\text{Also, } \cos\theta = \frac{e^{i\theta} + e^{-i\theta}}{2} = \frac{z + z^{-1}}{2} \text{ and } \sin\theta = \frac{e^{i\theta} - e^{-i\theta}}{2i} = \frac{z - z^{-1}}{2i}$$

Substituting these values in the given integrand is transformed into $\int_C \theta(z)dz$ where

$\theta(z) = f\left[\frac{z+z^{-1}}{2}, \frac{z-z^{-1}}{2i}\right]$ and C is the positively oriented unit circle $|z| = 1$. The integral

$\int_C \theta(z)dz$ can be evaluated using the residue theorem.

Problem 1. Evaluate $\int_0^{2\pi} \frac{d\theta}{5+4\sin\theta}$.

Solution : Let $I = \int_0^{2\pi} \frac{d\theta}{5+4\sin\theta}$

Put $z = e^{i\theta}$. Then $dz = id\theta$ and $\sin\theta = \frac{z - z^{-1}}{2i}$.

The given integral is transformed to $I = \int_C \frac{dz}{iz\left[5+4\left(\frac{z-z^{-1}}{2i}\right)\right]}$ where C is the unit circle

$|z| = 1$.

$$= \int_C \frac{dz}{2z^2 + 5iz + 2}$$

Let $f(z) = \frac{dz}{2z^2 + 5iz + 2} = \frac{dz}{2(z+2i) + (z+i/2)}$

Therefore $-2i$ and $-i/2$ are simple poles of $f(z)$ and the pole $-i/2$ lies inside C .

Also $\text{Res}\{f(z); -i/2\} = \lim_{z \rightarrow -i/2} \frac{1}{2(z+2i)} = \frac{1}{3i}$

Hence by Cauchy's residue theorem $I = 2\pi i \left(\frac{1}{3i}\right) = \frac{2\pi}{3}$.

Problem 2. Prove that $\int_0^{2\pi} \frac{d\theta}{1+a \sin\theta} = \frac{2\pi}{\sqrt{1+a^2}}$, $(-1 < a < 1)$

Solution : Let $I = \int_0^{2\pi} \frac{d\theta}{1+a \sin\theta}$

Put $z = e^{i\theta}$. Then $dz = id\theta$ and $\sin \theta = \frac{z-z^{-1}}{2i}$.

The given integral is transformed to $I = \int_C \frac{dz}{iz \left[1+a \left(\frac{z-z^{-1}}{2i} \right) \right]}$ where C is the unit circle

$|z| = 1$.

$$= \int_C \frac{2dz}{az^2+2iz-a}$$

Let $f(z) = \frac{dz}{az^2+2iz-a}$

The poles of $f(z)$ are given by $Z = \frac{-2i \pm \sqrt{-4+4a^2}}{2a}$
 $= \frac{-i \pm \sqrt{1-a^2}}{a}$ (since $-1 < a < 1$)

Let $z_1 = \frac{-i+\sqrt{1-a^2}}{a}$ and $z_2 = \frac{-i-\sqrt{1-a^2}}{a}$

We note that $|z_2| = \frac{-i-\sqrt{1-a^2}}{a} > 1$.

$z_1 = \frac{-i+\sqrt{1-a^2}}{a}$ is the only simple pole lies inside C .

$\text{Res} \{ f(z); z_1 \} = \lim_{z \rightarrow z_1} (z - z_1) \left[\frac{2/a}{(z-z_1)(z-z_2)} \right]$

$$= \frac{2/a}{(z_1-z_2)}$$

$$= \frac{1}{i\sqrt{1-a^2}}$$

By residue theorem
$$\int_0^{2\pi} \frac{d\theta}{1+a \sin\theta} = 2\pi i \left[\frac{1}{\sqrt{1+a^2}} \right]$$

$$= \frac{2\pi}{\sqrt{1+a^2}}.$$

Type : 2

$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(x)dx$ where $f(x) = \frac{g(x)}{h(x)}$ and $g(x), h(x)$ are polynomials in x and the degree of $h(x)$

exceeds that of $g(x)$ by atleast two.

Problem 1. Evaluate $\int_0^{\infty} \frac{dx}{1+x^4}.$

Solution: Let $f(z) = \frac{dz}{1+z^4}$

The poles of $f(z)$ are given by the roots of the equation $1 + z^4 = 0$, which are the four fourth roots of -1 .

By Demoiivre's theorem they are given by $e^{i\pi/4}, e^{i3\pi/4}, e^{i5\pi/4}, e^{i7\pi/4}$ and all are simple poles.

We choose the contour C consisting of the interval $[-r, r]$ on the real axis and the upper semi-circle $|z| = r$ which we denoted by C_1 .

Therefore $\int_C f(z)dz = \int_{-r}^r f(x)dx + \int_{C_1} f(z)dz. \quad \rightarrow (1)$

The poles of $f(z)$ lying inside the contour C are obviously $e^{i\pi/4}$ and $e^{i3\pi/4}$ only.

We find the residues of $f(z)$ at these points.

$$\text{Res} \left\{ f(z); e^{\frac{i\pi}{4}} \right\} = \frac{h\left(e^{\frac{i\pi}{4}}\right)}{k'\left(e^{\frac{i\pi}{4}}\right)} \text{ where } h(z) = 1 \text{ and } k(z) = 1 + z^4 \text{ so that } k'(z) = 4z^3.$$

$$\therefore \text{Res} \left\{ f(z); e^{\frac{i\pi}{4}} \right\} = \frac{e^{-i3\pi/4}}{4}$$

$$\text{Similarly } \text{Res} \left\{ f(z); e^{\frac{i3\pi}{4}} \right\} = \frac{e^{-i9\pi/4}}{4}$$

By residue theorem,

$$\int_C f(z)dz = 2\pi i \left[\frac{e^{-\frac{i3\pi}{4}}}{4} + \frac{e^{-\frac{i9\pi}{4}}}{4} \right]$$

$$= \frac{\pi}{\sqrt{2}}.$$

From (1), $\int_{-r}^r \frac{dx}{1+x^4} + \int_{C_1} f(z)dz = \frac{\pi}{2}$.

As $r \rightarrow \infty$, $\int_{C_1} f(z)dz \rightarrow 0$

$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{dx}{1+x^4} = \frac{\pi}{\sqrt{2}}.$$

$$2 \int_0^{\infty} \frac{dx}{1+x^4} = \frac{\pi}{\sqrt{2}}.$$

$$\int_0^{\infty} \frac{dx}{1+x^4} = \frac{\pi}{2\sqrt{2}}.$$

Problem 2 . Prove that $\int_0^{\infty} \frac{x^4 dx}{x^6-1} = \frac{\pi\sqrt{3}}{6}$.

Solution: Let $f(z) = \frac{z^4}{z^6-1}$.

The poles of $f(z)$ are given by the sixth roots of unity namely $e^{2n\pi i/6}$, $n = 0,1,\dots,5$

Therefore $f(z)$ has 2 simple poles on the real axis, viz., 1 and -1 and the two poles $e^{\pi i/3}$ and $e^{2\pi i/3}$ lie on the upper half of the plane.

Now choose the contour C , $\int_C f(z)dz = \int_{C_1} f(z)dz + \int_{-r}^{-1-\epsilon_1} f(x)dx + \int_{C_2} f(z)dz + \int_{-1+\epsilon_1}^{-r} f(x)dx + \int_{C_3} f(z)dz + \int_{1+\epsilon_2}^r f(x)dx.$ → (1)

Now, $\int_{C_2} f(z)dz = -\pi i \text{Res} \{f(z); -1\}$

$$= -\pi i \left(\frac{h(-1)}{k'(-1)} \right) \text{ where } h(z) = z^4 \text{ and } k(z) = z^6 - 1$$

$$= \pi i /6. \quad \rightarrow (2)$$

Similarly, $\int_{C_3} f(z)dz = -\pi i \text{Res} \{f(z); 1\}$

$$= -\pi i \left(\frac{h(1)}{k'(1)} \right) \text{ where } h(z) = z^4 \text{ and } k(z) = z^6 - 1$$

$$= \pi i / 6. \quad \rightarrow (3)$$

$$\text{Also } \int_C f(z) dz = 2\pi i \left[\text{Res} \left\{ f(z); e^{\frac{\pi i}{3}} \right\} + \text{Res} \left\{ f(z); e^{\frac{2\pi i}{3}} \right\} \right]$$

$$= 2\pi i \left[\frac{h\left(e^{\frac{\pi i}{3}}\right)}{6e^{\frac{5\pi i}{3}}} + \frac{e^{\frac{8\pi i}{3}}}{6e^{\frac{10\pi i}{3}}} \right]$$

$$= 2\pi i \left[\frac{e^{\frac{4\pi i}{3}}}{6e^{\frac{5\pi i}{3}}} + \frac{e^{\frac{8\pi i}{3}}}{6e^{\frac{10\pi i}{3}}} \right]$$

$$= \frac{\pi i}{3} \left(e^{\frac{-\pi i}{3}} + e^{\frac{-2\pi i}{3}} \right)$$

$$= \frac{\pi\sqrt{3}}{3}. \quad \rightarrow (4)$$

Substituting (2), (3), (4) in (1) and taking limits as $\epsilon_1, \epsilon_2 \rightarrow 0$ and $r \rightarrow \infty$, we get

$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{x^4 dx}{x^6 - 1} + \frac{\pi i}{6} - \frac{\pi i}{6} = \frac{\pi\sqrt{3}}{3}.$$

$$2 \int_0^{\infty} \frac{x^4 dx}{x^6 - 1} = \frac{\pi\sqrt{3}}{3}.$$

$$\int_0^{\infty} \frac{x^4 dx}{x^6 - 1} = \frac{\pi\sqrt{3}}{6}.$$

Type : 3

$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{g(x)}{h(x)} \cos ax \, dx$ or $\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{g(x)}{h(x)} \sin ax \, dx$, where $g(x)$ and $h(x)$ are real polynomials such that the degree of $h(x)$ exceeds that of $g(x)$ by at least one and $a > 0$.

Problem 1 . Prove that $\int_0^{\infty} \frac{\cos x \, dx}{1+x^2} = \frac{\pi}{2e}$.

Solution: Let $f(z) = \frac{e^{iz}}{1+z^2}$.

The poles of $f(z)$ are given by $z^2 + 1 = 0$.

$z = -i$ and i .

The poles of $f(z)$ that lies within C is i .

Hence by residue theorem,

$$\begin{aligned} \int_C f(z) dz &= 2\pi i \operatorname{Res} \{f(z); i\} \\ &= 2\pi i \frac{h(i)}{k'(i)} \text{ where } h(z) = e^{iz} \text{ and } k(z) = 1 + z^2 \\ &= \frac{2\pi i e^{-1}}{2i} \\ &= \frac{\pi}{e}. \end{aligned}$$

$$\int_{-r}^r \frac{e^{iax}}{x^2+1} dx + \int_{C_1} \frac{e^{iaz}}{z^2+1} dz = \frac{\pi}{e}$$

when $r \rightarrow \infty$, the integral over C_1 tends to zero.

$$\therefore \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{e^{iax}}{x^2+1} dx = \frac{\pi}{e}.$$

Equating real parts we get, $\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{\cos x \, dx}{1+x^2} = \frac{\pi}{e}$.

$$\int_0^{\infty} \frac{\cos x \, dx}{1+x^2} = \frac{\pi}{2e}.$$

Problem 2 . Prove that $\int_0^{\infty} \frac{\sin x \, dx}{x} = \frac{\pi}{2}$.

Solution: Let $f(z) = \frac{e^{iz}}{z}$.

The only singular point of $f(z)$ is 0 which is a simple pole and it lies on the real axis. Now choose the contour C

$$\text{Then, } \int_C f(z)dz = \int_{-r}^{-\epsilon} f(x)dx + \int_{C_2} f(z)dz + \int_{\epsilon}^r f(x)dx + \int_{C_1} f(z)dz. \quad \rightarrow (1)$$

$$\text{Since } f(z) \text{ is analytic within, } \int_C f(z)dz = 0 \quad \rightarrow (2)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Also, } \int_{C_2} f(z)dz &= -\pi i \operatorname{Res} \{f(z); 0\} \\ &= -\pi i e^0 = -\pi i \quad \rightarrow (3) \end{aligned}$$

when $r \rightarrow \infty$, the integral over C_1 tends to zero.

Substituting (2), (3) in (1) and taking limit $r \rightarrow \infty$, we get

$$0 = \int_{-\infty}^0 f(x)dx - \pi i + \int_0^{\infty} f(x)dx$$

$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(x)dx = \pi i$$

Equating the imaginary parts we get, $\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{\sin x \, dx}{x} = \pi$

$$\therefore \int_0^{\infty} \frac{\sin x \, dx}{x} = \frac{\pi}{2}$$

