

CLASSIFICATION OF SINGULARITIES

SUPPOSE THAT $f(z)$ IS ANALYTIC IN THE REGION $r_1 < |z-z_0| < r_2$ WITH $r_1 > 0$, $r_2 > r_1$ AND POSSIBLY $r_2 = \infty$. SUPPOSE THAT $f(z)$ HAS AN ISOLATED SINGULARITY AT $z = z_0$. THEN $f(z)$ HAS A LAURENT SERIES IN $r_1 < |z-z_0| < r_2$ OF THE FORM

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

$$(*) \quad f(z) = (a_0 + a_1(z-z_0) + \dots + a_n(z-z_0)^n + \dots) + \left(\frac{a_{-1}}{(z-z_0)} + \frac{a_{-2}}{(z-z_0)^2} + \dots + \frac{a_{-n}}{(z-z_0)^n} + \dots \right)$$

THE SERIES CONVERGES ON $r_1 < |z-z_0| < r_2$.

WE CLASSIFY THE SINGULARITY AT $z = z_0$ USING THE LAURENT SERIES (*)

(i) $f(z)$ HAS A POLE OF ORDER $m > 0$ AT $z = z_0$ IF $a_{-m} \neq 0$

BUT $a_{-m-1} = a_{-m-2} = \dots = 0$. THE L-SERIES HAS THE FORM

$$f(z) = (a_0 + a_1(z-z_0) + \dots) + \left(\frac{a_{-1}}{z-z_0} + \dots + \frac{a_{-m}}{(z-z_0)^m} \right)$$

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(ii) $f(z)$ HAS AN ESSENTIAL SINGULARITY AT $z = z_0$ IF THE L-SERIES HAS AN INFINITE NUMBER OF TERMS IN POSITIVE POWERS OF $1/(z-z_0)$

(iii) $f(z)$ HAS A REMOVABLE SINGULARITY AT $z = z_0$ IF $f(z)$ IS NOT DEFINED AT $z = z_0$ BUT THAT $\lim_{z \rightarrow z_0} f(z)$ EXISTS.

IN THIS CASE $a_{-1} = a_{-2} = \dots = 0$.

REMARK

(i) THE PROOF OF THE CONVERGENCE PROPERTY OF THE L-SERIES

(ii) A POLE OF ORDER 1 IS CALLED A SIMPLE POLE.

(iii) IMPORTANT $a_{-1} = \text{RESIDUE } [f(z); z_0]$

IS A CRITICAL TERM TO CALCULATE.

CLASSIFICATION OF SINGULARITIES: GENERAL REMARKS

REMARK 1 SUPPOSE THAT $f(z) = \frac{P(z)}{Q(z)}$

WHERE $P(z), Q(z)$ ANALYTIC AT $z = z_0$ WITH

$$P(z_0) \neq 0, \quad Q(z_0) = 0, \quad Q'(z_0) \neq 0,$$

SO THAT z_0 IS A SIMPLE ZERO OF $Q(z) = 0$. THEN $f(z)$

HAS A SIMPLE POLE AT $z = z_0$ AND AS $z \rightarrow z_0$

$$f(z) \approx \frac{P(z_0) + (z-z_0)P'(z_0) + \dots}{(z-z_0)Q'(z_0) + \dots} = \frac{P(z_0)/Q'(z_0)}{z-z_0} + o(1)$$

THU) $a_{-1} = \text{RES}[f; z_0] = P(z_0)/Q'(z_0)$.

THU IS THE EASIEST METHOD TO CALCULATE THE RESIDUE AT A SIMPLE POLE.

REMARK 2 SUPPOSE THAT $f(z) = P(z)/Q(z)$

WITH $P(z), Q(z)$ ANALYTIC AT $z = z_0$ WITH

$$P(z_0) \neq 0$$

$$Q(z_0) = 0, \quad Q'(z_0) = 0, \quad \dots, \quad Q^{(m)}(z_0) = 0, \quad Q^{(m+1)}(z_0) \neq 0$$

THEN $Q(z) \approx (z-z_0)^{m+1} \frac{Q^{(m+1)}(z_0)}{(m+1)!}$ AS $z \rightarrow z_0$.

THU) AS $z \rightarrow z_0$,

$$f(z) \approx \frac{(P(z_0)/Q^{(m)}(z_0)) (m+1)!}{(z-z_0)^{m+1}}$$

\rightarrow pole at $z = z_0$ OF ORDER $m+1$.

REMARK 3 CALCULATION OF RESIDUE FOR A POLE OF ORDER m AT $z = z_0$.

THE LAURENT SERIES OF $f(z)$, WHICH CONVERGES IN $0 < |z - z_0| < r_0$ FOR SOME r_0 , IS

$$f(z) = \frac{a_{-m}}{(z-z_0)^m} + \dots + \frac{a_{-1}}{(z-z_0)} + a_0 + a_1(z-z_0) + a_2(z-z_0)^2 + \dots$$

TO CALCULATE a_{-1} MULTIPLY BY $(z-z_0)^m$:

$$(z-z_0)^m f(z) = a_{-m} + \dots + a_{-1}(z-z_0)^{m-1} + a_0(z-z_0)^m + \dots$$

NOW DIFFERENTIATE $m-1$ TIMES:

$$\frac{d^{m-1}}{dz^{m-1}} (z-z_0)^m f(z) = a_{-1}(m-1)! + [m(m-1)\dots 2] a_0(z-z_0) + \dots$$

NOW LET $z \rightarrow z_0$, THEN $a_{-1} = \frac{1}{(m-1)!} \lim_{z \rightarrow z_0} \left[\frac{d^{m-1}}{dz^{m-1}} ((z-z_0)^m f(z)) \right]$ (*)

EXAMPLE CALCULATE THE RESIDUE OF $f(z) = \frac{z^2 - 2z}{[z+1]^2(z^2+4)}$ AT $z = -1$.

DO THIS IN TWO DIFFERENT WAYS

METHOD 1 USE THE FORMULA (*), NOTICE THAT $z = -1$ IS A POLE OF

ORDER 2. SO $a_{-1} = \lim_{z \rightarrow -1} \frac{d}{dz} [(z+1)^2 f(z)] = \lim_{z \rightarrow -1} \frac{d}{dz} \left[\frac{z^2 - 2z}{z^2 + 4} \right]$

THIS GIVES $a_{-1} = \lim_{z \rightarrow -1} \left[\frac{(z^2+4)(2z-2) - (z^2-2z)2z}{(z^2+4)^2} \right] = \frac{5(-4) + (-1+2)2}{25} = -\frac{14}{25}$.

METHOD 2 WRITE $f(z) = \frac{P(z)}{Q(z)}$ WITH $Q(z) = (z+1)^2$, $P(z) = (z^2-2z)/(z^2+4)$.

NOW AS $z \rightarrow -1$ $P(z) \sim P(-1) + P'(-1)(z+1) + \dots$

THUS $f(z) \sim \frac{P(-1)}{(z+1)^2} + \frac{P'(-1)}{(z+1)} + \dots$ AS $z \rightarrow -1$. SO $a_{-1} = P'(-1) = -14/25$.

REMARK 4 IF $f(z)$ HAS AN ESSENTIAL SINGULARITY AT $z = z_0$,

THE ONLY WAY TO CALCULATE THE RESIDUE IS TO CALCULATE

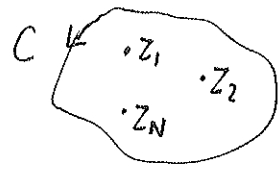
THE LAURENT SERIES OF $f(z)$ AS $z \rightarrow z_0$ TO IDENTIFY THE

COEFFICIENT $a_{-1}/(z-z_0)$.

RESIDUE THEOREM LET C BE A SIMPLE CLOSED CURVE, ORIENTED COUNTERCLOCKWISE,

AND SUPPOSE THAT f(z) IS ANALYTIC INSIDE AND ON C EXCEPT AT THE ISOLATED SINGULARITIES z₁, ..., z_N, WITH z_j INSIDE C FOR j=1, ..., N. THEN

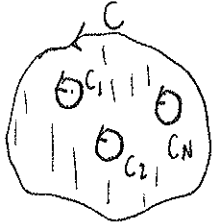
$$\int_C f(z) dz = 2\pi i \sum_{j=1}^N \text{REJ} [f; z_j].$$



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$$\int_C f(z) dz = \sum_{j=1}^N \int_{C_j} f(z) dz \quad (*), \quad C_j: |z-z_j| = \delta \text{ COUNTERCLOCKWISE.}$$



NOW SINCE δ IS SMALL, f(z) HAS A LAURENT SERIES

THAT CONVERGE IN 0 < |z-z_j| < δ OF THE FORM

$$f(z) = \sum_{m=0}^{\infty} a_{mj} (z-z_j)^m + \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} a_{-mj} (z-z_j)^{-m} \text{ FOR SOME } a_{mj} \text{ AND } a_{-mj}.$$

THEN $\int_{C_j} f(z) dz = 2\pi i a_{-1j}$ SINCE $\int_{C_j} (z-z_j)^n dz = \begin{cases} 0, & n \neq -1 \\ 2\pi i, & n = -1 \end{cases}$

FROM (*) WE GET $\int_C f(z) dz = 2\pi i \sum_{j=1}^N a_{-1j} = 2\pi i \sum_{j=1}^N \text{REJ} [f; z_j].$

REMARKS TO CALCULATE REJ [f; z_j] WE USE REMARKS 2, 3, 4 ON PAGE S11-S12.

EXAMPLE 0 CALCULATE $I = \int_C \frac{dz}{z^2+z+1}$ C: |z|=2 COUNTER-CLOCKWISE

METHOD 1 THE SIMPLE POLES ARE AT $z_{\pm} = \frac{-1 \pm \sqrt{3}i}{2}$ SO $|z_j| = 1$. THESE ARE INSIDE C. SO BY RESIDUE THEOREM AND REMARK 1 WE GET $I = 2\pi i [\text{REJ} (f; z_+) + \text{REJ} (f; z_-)] = 2\pi i \left[\frac{1}{2z_++1} + \frac{1}{2z_-+1} \right] = 2\pi i \left(\frac{2(z_++z_-)+2}{(2z_++1)(2z_-+1)} \right) = 0.$

METHOD 2 WE CAN PROCEED BY PROB. 18 PAGE 203 OF THE BOOK SINCE THERE ARE NO SINGULARITIES OUTSIDE C AND $f(z) = O(|z|^{-2})$ AS $|z| \rightarrow \infty$. WE AGAIN CONCLUDE $I = 0.$

EXAMPLES OF THE USE OF RESIDUE THEOREM.

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EXAMPLE 1 CALCULATE $I = \int_C \frac{dz}{z^2 \sinh z}$ $C: |z|=1$ counterclockwise

NOW THE SINGULARITIES OF $f(z) = 1/z^2 \sinh z$ ARE A POLE OF ORDER 3 AT $z=0$ AND SIMPLE POLES WHERE $\sinh z=0$ FOR $z \neq 0$. THESE ARE AT $z = n\pi i$, $n = \pm 1, \pm 2, \dots$, BUT ARE OUTSIDE C .

SO $I = 2\pi i \operatorname{Res}[f; 0]$ (*)

NOW $\sinh z = \frac{e^z - e^{-z}}{2} = \frac{(1 + z + z^2/2 + z^3/3!) - (1 - z + z^2/2 - z^3/3!) + \dots}{2} = z + z^3/3! + \dots$

THUS NEAR $z=0$ $\frac{1}{z^2 \sinh z} \hat{=} \frac{1}{z^2 [z + z^3/6]} \approx \frac{1}{z^3} (1 - z^2/6 + \dots) = \frac{1}{z^3} - \frac{1}{6z} + \dots$

THUS $\operatorname{Res}[f; 0] = -1/6$ SO $I = 2\pi i (-1/6) = -\pi i/3$.

EXAMPLE 2 CALCULATE $I = \int_C z^3 e^{1/2z} dz$ WITH $C: |z|=1$ counterclockwise.

NOTE: $z=0$ IS AN ESSENTIAL SINGULARITY. THUS

$I = 2\pi i \operatorname{Res}[f; 0]$.

WE CALCULATE LAURENT SERIES,

$z^3 e^{1/2z} = z^3 (1 + 1/2z + 1/2! z^2 + 1/3! z^3 + \dots) = z^3 + z^2 + \frac{1}{2!} z + \frac{1}{3!} + \frac{1}{4!} z^{-1} + \dots$

THUS $a_{-1} = 1/4!$. $\rightarrow I = 2\pi i / 4! = \pi i/12$.

EXAMPLE 3 CALCULATE $I = \int_C \frac{1}{z^2} \left(\frac{1+2z}{1+z} \right) dz$ $C: |z|=1/2$. COUNTERCLOCKWISE.

NOW THE ONLY SINGULARITY INSIDE C IS AT $z=0$, WHICH IS A POLE OF ORDER 2. WE CALCULATE THE RESIDUE

$\frac{1}{z^2} \left(\frac{1+2z}{1+z} \right) = \frac{1}{z^2} (1+2z)(1-z+z^2+\dots) = \frac{1}{z^2} (1-z+z^2+2z-2z^2+\dots)$
 $= \frac{1}{z^2} + \frac{1}{z} + 1 \dots$ SO $a_{-1} = 1 \rightarrow I = 2\pi i$.

EXAMPLE 4 CALCULATE $I = \int_C \frac{z+1}{z^2 \cdot 2z} dz$ WHERE $C: |z|=4$ COUNTERCLOCKWISE.

BOTH $z=0$ AND $z=2$ ARE SIMPLE POLES. IF WE WRITE $(z+1)/(z^2 \cdot 2z) = P(z)/Q(z)$

THEN $\int_C \frac{z+1}{z^2 \cdot 2z} dz = 2\pi i \left[\frac{P(0)}{Q'(0)} + \frac{P(2)}{Q'(2)} \right] = 2\pi i \left(\frac{1}{-2} + \frac{3}{2} \right) = 2\pi i$.

WE NOW GIVE TWO EXAMPLES SHOWING HOW AN INTEGRAL OF A PERIODIC FUNCTION CAN BE CONVERTED TO A CONTOUR INTEGRAL AND THEN EVALUATED BY RESIDUES:

RECALL $\cos \varphi = \frac{e^{i\varphi} + e^{-i\varphi}}{2} \rightarrow \cos \varphi = \frac{z + 1/z}{2}$ WHEN $z = e^{i\varphi} \rightarrow \frac{dz}{iz} = d\varphi$

$\sin \varphi = \frac{e^{i\varphi} - e^{-i\varphi}}{2i} \rightarrow \sin \varphi = \frac{z - 1/z}{2i}$ WHEN $z = e^{i\varphi} \rightarrow \frac{dz}{iz} = d\varphi$.

EXAMPLE 1 CALCULATE $\int_0^{2\pi} \frac{d\varphi}{2 + \sin \varphi} = I$.

NOW LET $z = e^{i\varphi} \rightarrow 2 + \sin \varphi = 2 + (z - 1/z)/2i = \frac{1}{2} [4 - iz + i/z]$.

THEN $I = \int_C \frac{2}{(4 - iz + i/z)} \frac{dz}{iz} = 2 \int_C \frac{dz}{z^2 + 4iz - 1}$ $C: |z|=1$

THE POLES (SIMPLE) ARE AT $z_{\pm} = -2i \pm \frac{\sqrt{-16 + 4}}{2} = -2i \pm \sqrt{3}i$.

THUS $z_+ = (-2 + \sqrt{3})i$ IS INSIDE $|z| < 1$, WHILE z_- IS OUTSIDE $|z| > 1$

THUS $I = 2 \int_C \frac{dz}{z^2 + 4iz - 1} = 4\pi i \operatorname{Res} \left(\frac{1}{z^2 + 4iz - 1}; z_+ \right) = 4\pi i \frac{1}{2z_+ + 4i} = \frac{4\pi i}{2\sqrt{3}i}$

THUS $I = 2\pi/\sqrt{3}$.

EXAMPLE 2 CALCULATE $I = \int_0^{2\pi} \frac{d\varphi}{1 - 2a(\cos \varphi) + a^2}$ FOR $0 < a < 1$.

WE WRITE $z = e^{i\varphi}$, $\cos \varphi = (z + 1/z)/2$, $dz/iz = d\varphi$.

SO $I = \int_C \frac{dz}{iz [1 + a^2 - 2a(z + 1/z)]} = \int_C \frac{dz}{iz [1 + a^2 - az - a/z]} = \frac{1}{i} \int_C \frac{dz}{[-az^2 + (1+a^2)z - a]}$

THE ZEROS OF THE DENOMINATOR ARE AT $z = a$ AND $z = 1/a$. FOR $0 < a < 1$, THE ONLY POLE INSIDE $|z|=1$ IS AT $z = a$.

THUS $I = \frac{1}{i} \int_C \frac{dz}{[-az^2 + (1+a^2)z - a^2]} = \frac{1}{i} (2\pi i) \operatorname{Res} \left[\frac{1}{-az^2 + (1+a^2)z - a^2}, a \right]$

THUS $I = 2\pi \left(\frac{1}{-2az + (1+a^2)} \right) \Big|_{z=a} = \frac{2\pi}{1-a^2}$, $0 < a < 1$

REMARK FOR AN INTEGRAL OF THE FORM

$I = \int_0^{2\pi} F(\cos \varphi, \sin \varphi) d\varphi$ LET $\cos \varphi = \frac{z + 1/z}{2}$, $\sin \varphi = \frac{z - 1/z}{2i}$, $d\varphi = dz/iz$

TO GET $I = \int_C F\left(\frac{z+1/z}{2}, \frac{z-1/z}{2i}\right) \frac{dz}{iz}$. THEN CALCULATE BY RESIDUES.