

7. Suppose f has a pole of order $m \geq 1$ at $z = a$. Then $g(z) = (z-a)^m f(z)$ has a removable singularity at $z = a$ and $g(a) \neq 0$.

Let $g(z) = b_0 + b_1(z-a) + \dots$ be the power series expansion of g about $z = a$. Then for z near a , $z \neq a$,

$$f(z) = \frac{b_0}{(z-a)^m} + \dots + \frac{b_{m-1}}{(z-a)} + \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} b_{m+k} (z-a)^k.$$

This is the Laurent series expansion of f in a punctured disk about $z = a$.

$$\text{But } \text{Res}(f; a) = b_{m-1}$$

In particular if $z = a$ is a simple pole, then $m = 1$, so, $\text{Res}(f; a) = b_0 = g(a) = \lim_{z \rightarrow a} (z-a)f(z)$.

More generally,

Thm 6.16. Suppose f has a pole of order m at $z = a$ and if $g(z) = (z-a)^m f(z)$, then

$$\text{Res}(f; a) = \frac{1}{(m-1)!} g^{(m-1)}(a)$$

Proof: b_{m-1} is the coefficient of $(z-a)^{m-1}$ in the power series representation of g .

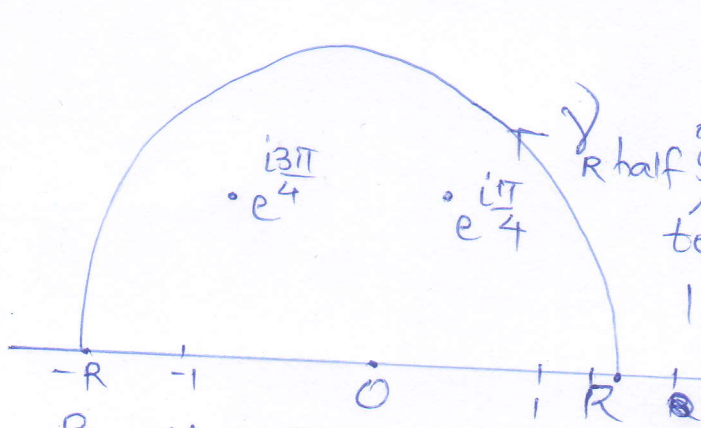
$$\Rightarrow b_{m-1} = \frac{g^{(m-1)}(a)}{(m-1)!}$$

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2) Evaluating integrals of functions of real variable using the residue theorem

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

Proof: Let $f(z) = \frac{z^2}{1+z^4}$. The poles of f are the 4th roots of (-1) , which are $e^{i\pi/4}, e^{i3\pi/4}, e^{i5\pi/4}, e^{i7\pi/4}$. These are simple poles.



Let $R > 1$ and consider γ to be the closed path formed by upper half of semicircle of radius R centered at zero, and the straight line segment $[-R, R]$, i.e. $\gamma = \gamma_R + [-R, R]$

By the Cauchy residue theorem,

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{\gamma} f &= \text{Res}(f; e^{i\pi/4}) + \text{Res}(f; e^{i3\pi/4}) \\ &= \lim_{z \rightarrow e^{i\pi/4}} (z - e^{i\pi/4}) f(z) + \lim_{z \rightarrow e^{i3\pi/4}} (z - e^{i3\pi/4}) f(z) \end{aligned}$$

Note that
$$\lim_{z \rightarrow e^{i\pi/4}} (z - e^{i\pi/4}) f(z)$$

$$= \lim_{z \rightarrow e^{i\pi/4}} \frac{(z - e^{i\pi/4}) z^2}{(z - e^{i\pi/4})(z - e^{i3\pi/4})(z - e^{i5\pi/4})(z - e^{i7\pi/4})}$$

$$= \lim_{z \rightarrow e^{i\pi/4}} \frac{z^2}{(z - e^{i3\pi/4})(z - e^{i5\pi/4})(z - e^{i7\pi/4})} = \frac{1-i}{4\sqrt{2}}$$

Another formula: If $f(z) = \frac{g(z)}{h(z)}$ is a function with $g, h \in \mathcal{A}(B(a; \delta))$, $g(a) \neq 0$, and h has a simple zero.

③ at $z=a$, then $\text{Res}(f; a) = \frac{q(a)}{h'(a)}$, (Exercise).

Hence using the above result, we see

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Res}\left(\frac{z^2}{1+z^4}; e^{i\pi/4}\right) &= \frac{z^2}{4z^3} \Big|_{z=e^{i\pi/4}} = \frac{1}{4e^{i\pi/4}} \\ &= \frac{1-i}{4\sqrt{2}} \end{aligned}$$

Similarly, $\text{Res}(f; e^{i3\pi/4}) = \frac{-1-i}{4\sqrt{2}}$.

$$\Rightarrow \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{\gamma} f = \frac{1-i}{4\sqrt{2}} + \frac{-1-i}{4\sqrt{2}} = \frac{-i}{2\sqrt{2}} \quad \text{--- (1)}$$

Now by the defn. of the line integral,

$$\frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{\gamma} f = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{-R}^R \frac{x^2}{1+x^4} dx + \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{\gamma_R} f \quad \text{--- (2)}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{But } \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{\gamma_R} f &= \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_0^{2\pi} \frac{(Re^{it})^2 \cdot iRe^{it} dt}{1+(Re^{it})^4} \\ &= \frac{R^3}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} \frac{e^{i3t} dt}{1+R^4 e^{i4t}} \end{aligned}$$

For $0 \leq t \leq \pi$, $1+R^4 e^{i4t}$ lies on the circle centered at 1 of radius R^4 . Hence $|1+R^4 e^{i4t}| \geq R^4 - 1$.

(This can also be seen by applying the reverse Δ ineq.:

$$\begin{aligned} |1+R^4 e^{i4t}| &= |R^4 e^{i4t} - (-1)| \geq |R^4 e^{i4t}| - |-1| \\ &= |R^4 - 1| = R^4 - 1 \end{aligned}$$

(since $R > 1$)

① Hence $\left| \frac{R^3}{2\pi} \int_0^\pi \frac{e^{i3t} dt}{1+R^4 e^{i4t}} \right| \leq \frac{R^3}{2\pi} \cdot \frac{\pi}{R^4 - 1} \rightarrow 0$ as $R \rightarrow \infty$.

Hence $\lim_{R \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{\gamma_R} f = 0$ — (3)

From ①, ② and ③,

$$\frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{\gamma} f = \lim_{R \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{-R}^R \frac{x^2}{1+x^4} dx + 0$$

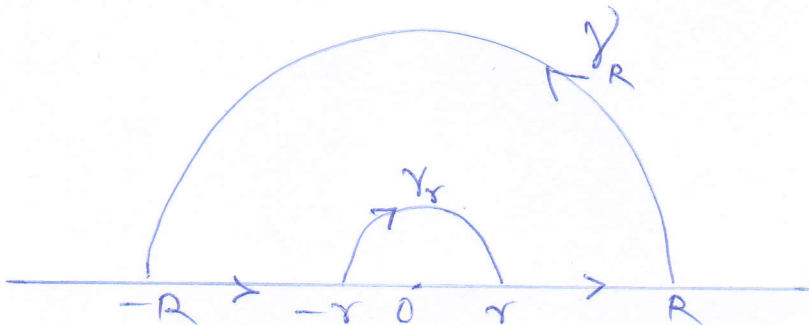
$$\Rightarrow \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{x^2}{1+x^4} dx = \frac{-i}{2\sqrt{2}}$$

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

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

Proof: Let $f(z) = \frac{e^{iz}}{z}$. It has a simple pole at $z=0$. Let $0 < r < R$ and let γ be the following curve



i.e.; $\gamma = \gamma_R + [-R, -r] + \gamma_r + [r, R]$

By Cauchy's thm; $\int_{\gamma} f = 0$ ($\because f$ is analytic in the region bdd. by γ)

$$5) \Rightarrow 0 = \int_{\gamma}^R \frac{e^{ix}}{x} dx + \int_{\gamma_R} \frac{e^{iz}}{z} dz + \int_{-R}^{-\gamma} \frac{e^{ix}}{x} dx + \int_{\gamma_r} \frac{e^{iz}}{z} dz \quad \text{--- (1)}$$

$$\Rightarrow \int_{\gamma}^R \frac{\sin x}{x} dx = \frac{1}{2i} \int_{\gamma}^R \frac{e^{ix} - e^{-ix}}{-\gamma^x} dx$$

$$= \frac{1}{2i} \int_{\gamma}^R \frac{e^{ix}}{x} dx + \frac{1}{2i} \int_{-R}^{-\gamma} \frac{e^{ix}}{x} dx \quad \text{--- (2)}$$

Now $\left| \int_{\gamma_R} \frac{e^{iz}}{z} dz \right| = \left| i \int_0^{\pi} \exp(iR e^{i\theta}) d\theta \right|$ ($\because z = Re^{i\theta}$
implies $dz = iRe^{i\theta} d\theta$)

$$\leq \int_0^{\pi} |\exp(iR e^{i\theta})| d\theta.$$

$$= \int_0^{\pi} \exp(-R \sin \theta) d\theta = 2 \int_0^{\pi/2} \exp(-R \sin \theta) d\theta$$

$$\leq 2 \int_0^{\pi/2} \exp\left(-\frac{2R\theta}{\pi}\right) d\theta \quad (\because \sin \theta \geq \frac{2\theta}{\pi} \text{ on } [0, \pi/2])$$

$$= \frac{2 \exp\left(-\frac{2R\theta}{\pi}\right)}{\left(-\frac{2R}{\pi}\right)} \Bigg|_{\theta=0}^{\theta=\pi/2} = \frac{-\pi}{R} (e^{-R} - 1)$$

$$= \frac{\pi}{R} (1 - e^{-R}).$$

$$\Rightarrow \lim_{R \rightarrow \infty} \int_{\gamma_R} \frac{e^{iz}}{z} dz = 0 \quad \text{--- (3)}$$

Now consider $\int_{\gamma_r} \frac{e^{iz}}{z} dz = \int_{\gamma_r} \frac{e^{iz} - 1}{z} dz + \int_{\gamma_r} \frac{1}{z} dz.$

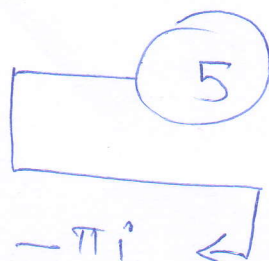
$$= \int_{\gamma_r} \frac{e^{iz} - 1}{z} dz - \pi i \quad \text{--- (4)}$$

⑥ Now $\frac{e^{iz}-1}{z}$ has a removable singularity at $z=0$

$\Rightarrow \exists M(\text{constant}), M > 0 \exists \left| \frac{e^{iz}-1}{z} \right| \leq M$ for $|z| \leq 1$,

$\Rightarrow \left| \int_{\gamma_r} \frac{e^{iz}-1}{z} dz \right| \leq \pi r M$ so that

$$\lim_{r \rightarrow 0} \int_{\gamma_r} \frac{e^{iz}-1}{z} dz = 0$$



which gives from ④, $\lim_{r \rightarrow 0} \int_{\gamma_r} \frac{e^{iz}}{z} dz = -\pi i$

Thus from ①, ②, ③ and ⑤,

$$\int_0^{\infty} \frac{\sin x}{x} dx = \lim_{R \rightarrow \infty} \lim_{r \rightarrow 0} \int_r^R \frac{\sin x}{x} dx$$

$$= \frac{1}{2i} \left\{ - \lim_{R \rightarrow \infty} \int_{\gamma_R} \frac{e^{iz}}{z} dz - \lim_{r \rightarrow 0} \int_{\gamma_r} \frac{e^{iz}}{z} dz \right\}$$

$$= \frac{1}{2i} (-0 - (-\pi i)) = \frac{\pi}{2} \quad \square$$

③ For $a > 1$, show that $\int_0^{\pi} \frac{d\theta}{a + \cos \theta} = \frac{\pi}{\sqrt{a^2 - 1}}$,

Proof: Let $z = e^{i\theta}$, then $\bar{z} = e^{-i\theta} = 1/z$.

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

$$= \frac{z^2 + 2az + 1}{2z}$$