

How to calculate residues?

Case 1. Simple pole at z_0 .

$$f(z) = \frac{g(z)}{z-z_0}, \quad g \in \mathcal{A}(B(z_0, r)), \quad g(z_0) \neq 0.$$

$$\text{Res}_{z=z_0} f(z) = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \oint_{C_r} f(z) dz = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \oint_{C_r} \frac{g(z)}{z-z_0} dz = g(z_0) = \boxed{\lim_{z \rightarrow z_0} (z-z_0)f(z)}$$

And if $f \in \mathcal{A}(B(z_0, r) \setminus \{z_0\})$, and $\exists \lim_{z \rightarrow z_0} (z-z_0)f(z) =: R$, then $g(z) = \begin{cases} f(z)(z-z_0), & z \neq z_0 \\ R, & z = z_0 \end{cases} \in \mathcal{A}(B(z_0, r))$. So $R = \text{Res}_{z=z_0} f(z)$, as above.

Example. $\text{Res}_{z=0} \frac{1}{\sin z} = \lim_{z \rightarrow 0} \frac{z}{\sin z} = \frac{1}{\lim_{z \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sin z - \sin 0}{z-0}} = \frac{1}{\cos 0} = 1$.

If $f(z) = \frac{g(z)}{h(z)}$, $g, h \in \mathcal{A}(B(z_0, r))$, $h(z_0) = 0, h'(z_0) \neq 0$ (simple zero).

Then $\text{Res}_{z=z_0} f(z) = \lim_{z \rightarrow z_0} \frac{g(z)}{h(z)} \cdot (z-z_0) = \frac{\lim_{z \rightarrow z_0} g(z)}{\lim_{z \rightarrow z_0} \frac{h(z)-h(z_0)}{z-z_0}} = \boxed{\frac{g(z_0)}{h'(z_0)}}$

Example $\text{Res}_{z=0} \cotan z = \frac{\cos 0}{\sin' 0} = 1$.

Case 2. f has a pole of order h at z_0 .

$$f(z) = \frac{g(z)}{(z-z_0)^h}, \quad \text{where } g(z_0) \neq 0, \quad g \in \mathcal{A}(B(z_0, r)).$$

By Cauchy:

$$g^{(h-1)}(z_0) = (h-1)! \cdot \frac{1}{2\pi i} \oint_{C_r} \frac{g(z)}{(z-z_0)^h} dz = (h-1)! \cdot \frac{1}{2\pi i} \oint_{C_r} f(z) dz = \text{Res}_{z=z_0} f(z) (h-1)!$$

So $\frac{g^{(h-1)}(z_0)}{(h-1)!} = \text{Res}_{z=z_0} f(z)$

So $\text{Res}_{z=z_0} f(z) = \frac{1}{(h-1)!} \left(\frac{d^{h-1}}{dz^{h-1}} \left((z-a)^h f(z) \right) \right)$

Case 3. Essential singularity: no good formula.

General argument principle.

Theorem. Let $f \in \mathcal{M}(\Omega)$. $\gamma \subset \mathcal{R}$ -cycle, $\gamma \sim 0$ in \mathcal{R} .

$\forall z \in \gamma, f(z) \neq 0, \infty$ (no poles or zeroes on γ)

Then $\frac{1}{2\pi i} \oint_{\gamma} \frac{f'(z)}{f(z)} dz = \sum_{f(z)=0} n(\gamma, z) \text{ord}(f, z) + \sum_{f(z)=\infty} n(\gamma, z) \text{ord}(f, z)$.

Reminder: "Argument principle" because

$\frac{1}{2\pi i} \oint_{\gamma} \frac{f'(z)}{f(z)} dz = n(f \circ \gamma, 0)$.



Remark. As usual, there are only finitely many zeroes and poles of f for which $n(\gamma, z) \neq 0$, so both sums on RHS are finite.

Proof. $\frac{f'(z)}{f(z)} \in \mathcal{A}(\Omega \setminus \{z : f(z)=0 \text{ or } f(z)=\infty\})$

So, by residue theorem

$\frac{1}{2\pi i} \oint_{\gamma} \frac{f'(z)}{f(z)} dz = \sum_{\substack{f(w)=0 \\ f(w)=\infty}} n(\gamma, w) \text{Res}_{z=w} \frac{f'(z)}{f(z)}$.

Let $\text{ord}(f, w) = h \neq 0$ (w is a zero or pole).

Then $f(z) = (z-w)^h f_1(z)$, where $f_1(w) \neq 0, f_1 \in \mathcal{A}(B(w, s))$ for some $s > 0$.

$\frac{f'(z)}{f(z)} = \frac{h(z-w)^{h-1} f_1(z) + (z-w)^h f_1'(z)}{(z-w)^h f_1(z)} = \frac{h}{z-w} + \frac{f_1'(z)}{f_1(z)}$. (we also knew it has no essential singularity)

$$\frac{f(z)}{(z-w)^h} = \frac{f_1(z)}{(z-w)^h} = \frac{1}{z-w} + \frac{f_1'(z)}{f_1(z)} \quad (\text{we also know it by properties of logarithmic derivative}).$$

$$\text{So } \text{Res}_{z=w} \frac{f'(z)}{f(z)} = \lim_{z \rightarrow w} (z-w) \left(\frac{h}{z-w} + \frac{f_1'(z)}{f_1(z)} \right) = h + 0 \cdot \frac{f_1'(w)}{f_1(w)} = h = \text{ord}(f, w).$$

Corollary Let γ be an oriented boundary of Ω , $f \in M(\Omega \cup \gamma)$, $f(z) \neq 0$ and $f(z) \neq \infty$ if $z \in \gamma$.

Then

$$\frac{1}{2\pi i} \oint_{\gamma} \frac{f'(z)}{f(z)} dz = N - P, \text{ where } N \text{ is the number of zeroes of } f \text{ in } \Omega \text{ (counted with multiplicity),}$$

P - the number of poles in Ω (also counted with multiplicity).

Theorem (Rouche) Let $f, g \in A(\Omega)$, γ -simple closed

curve in Ω , $\gamma \neq 0$ in Ω . Assume

$$\forall z \in \gamma \quad |f(z) - g(z)| < |f(z)|.$$

Then f and g have the same number of zeros (N_f and N_g) inside of γ , counted with multiplicities.

Proof The same as for the local version.



Adolf Hurwitz

Theorem (Hurwitz).

Assume $f_n \in \mathcal{A}(\Omega)$, $\forall z \in \Omega \quad f_n(z) \neq 0$. Let $f_n \rightarrow f$ locally uniformly.

Then $\forall z \in \Omega \quad f(z) \neq 0$ or $f(z) \equiv 0$.

Proof. By Weierstrass Theorem, $f \in \mathcal{A}(\Omega)$.

Assume: $f \not\equiv 0$, $f(z_0) = 0$. Then $\exists r > 0$:

$0 < |z - z_0| \leq r \Rightarrow z \in \Omega, f(z) \neq 0$ (zeros are isolated).

Let $C_r = \{ |z - z_0| = r \}$. Then $m = \min_{z \in C_r} |f(z)| > 0$.

$f_n \rightarrow f$ uniformly on C_r . Take $\epsilon = \frac{m}{2}$. $\forall z \in C_r, \quad |f_n(z) - f(z)| < \frac{m}{2}$

Then, by Rouché, f_n and f have the same number of zeros inside C_r ($|f_n(z) - f(z)| < \frac{m}{2} \leq |f(z)|$). But $f_n(z) \neq 0, \forall z, f(z_0) = 0$ - contradiction! \Rightarrow

Corollary. $f_n \in \mathcal{A}(\Omega)$, injective (= conformal).

$f_n \rightarrow f$ locally uniformly on Ω . Then either f is conformal or $f \equiv \text{const.}$

Proof

Assume $f \neq \text{const}$.

Fix $z_0 \in \Omega$. Consider $g_n(z) := f_n(z) - f_n(z_0) \neq 0$ in $\Omega \setminus \{z_0\}$.

$g_n(z) \rightarrow f(z) - f(z_0)$ locally uniformly, $g_n(z) \neq 0$ in $\Omega \setminus \{z_0\}$.

So, by Hurwitz, $f(z) \neq f(z_0) \forall z \in \Omega \setminus \{z_0\}$.

So for $z \neq z_0$, $f(z) \neq f(z_0)$ - injective ■