

## Residues

$z = z_0$  : an isolated singularity  
Laurent series about  $z_0$

$$f(z) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n (z - z_0)^n + \frac{b_1}{z - z_0} + \frac{b_2}{(z - z_0)^2} + \dots$$

$$\operatorname{Res}_{z=z_0} f(z) = b_1$$

Calculating residues (at poles) :

Theorem If  $z = a$  is a simple pole of  $f$   
then

$$\operatorname{Res}_{z=a} f(z) = \lim_{z \rightarrow a} (z - a) f(z)$$

Proof :  $z = a$  is a simple pole  $\Rightarrow$

$$f(z) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n (z - a)^n + \frac{b_1}{(z - a)}$$

$$\Rightarrow (z - a) f(z) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n (z - a)^{n+1} + b_1$$

$$\Rightarrow \lim_{z \rightarrow a} (z - a) f(z) = b_1 = \operatorname{Res}_{z=a} f$$

Example  $f(z) = \frac{3z-1}{z^2-1} = \frac{3z-1}{(z-1)(z+1)}$

simple poles (a)  $z=1, -1$

$$\text{Res } f(z) = \lim_{z \rightarrow -1} (z+1) f(z)$$

$$= \lim_{z \rightarrow -1} (z+1) \frac{3z-1}{(z-1)(z+1)}$$

$$= \lim_{z \rightarrow -1} \frac{3z-1}{z-1} = \frac{-4}{-2} = 2$$

Theorem [Residue at a pole of order  $m$ ]:

If  $z = a$  is a pole of order  $m$ , then

$$b_1 = \operatorname{Res} f(z) = \lim_{z \rightarrow a} \frac{1}{(m-1)!} \frac{d^{m-1}}{dz^{m-1}} [(z-a)^m f(z)]$$

Proof:  ~~$f(z) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n (z-a)^n + \frac{b_1}{z-a} + \frac{b_2}{(z-a)^2} + \dots + \frac{b_m}{(z-a)^m}$~~

$$f(z) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n (z-a)^n + \frac{b_1}{z-a} + \frac{b_2}{(z-a)^2} + \dots + \frac{b_m}{(z-a)^m}$$

$$b_m \neq 0$$

$$(z-a)^m f(z) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n (z-a)^{m+n} + \underbrace{b_1}_{\text{circled}} (z-a)^{m-1} + \dots + b_{m-1} (z-a) + b_m$$

which is the Taylor series of  $(z-a)^m f(z)$  about  $z = a$ ;

$$b_1 = \lim_{z \rightarrow a} \frac{1}{(m-1)!} \frac{d^{m-1}}{dz^{m-1}} [f(z)(z-a)^m]$$

by Taylor's Theorem.

Example

$$f(z) = \frac{\cos z}{z^6}$$

has a pole of order 6 at  $z=0$ .

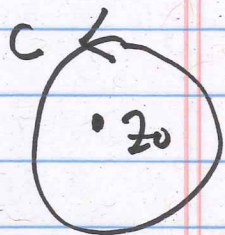
$$\begin{aligned} \operatorname{Res}_{z=0} \frac{\cos z}{z^6} &= \lim_{z \rightarrow 0} \frac{1}{5!} \frac{d^5}{dz^5} \cos z \\ &= \lim_{z \rightarrow 0} \frac{1}{5!} (-\sin z) = 0 \end{aligned}$$

$z_0$ : an isolated singularity

About  $z_0$ , the series expansion of  $f$

$$f(z) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n (z - z_0)^n + \frac{b_1}{z - z_0} + \frac{b_2}{(z - z_0)^2} + \dots$$

$$b_1 = \operatorname{Res}_{z=z_0} f(z) \quad ; \quad b_1 = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_C f(z) dz$$



$$\Rightarrow \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_C f(z) dz = \operatorname{Res}_{z=z_0} f(z)$$

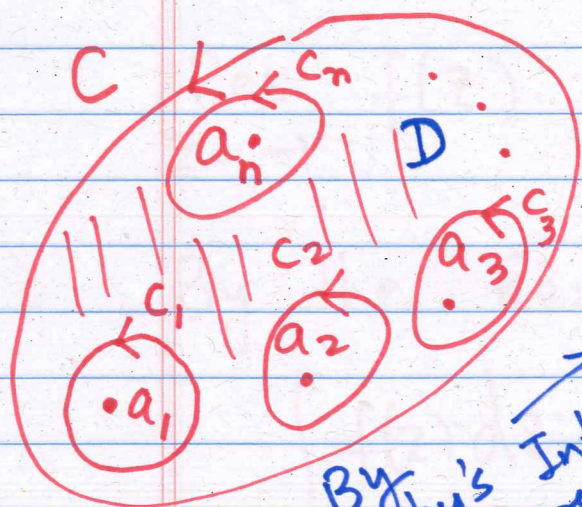
$$\Rightarrow \int_C f(z) dz = 2\pi i \operatorname{Res}_{z=z_0} f(z)$$

# THE RESIDUE THEOREM

Let  $f$  be analytic on and inside a simple closed curve  $C$  except for a finite no. of isolated singularities  $a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n$  inside  $C$ . Then

$$\int_C f(z) dz = 2\pi i \sum_{k=1}^n \operatorname{Res}_{z=a_k} f(z)$$

Proof:  $f$  is analytic in  $D$ ;  
 $D$  is bounded by  $C, C_1, \dots, C_n$ .



$$\int_C f = \int_{C_1} f + \int_{C_2} f + \dots + \int_{C_n} f$$

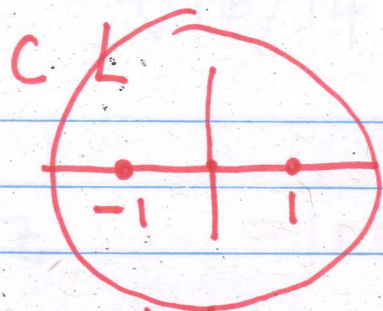
By Cauchy's  
Integral  
Theorem

$$= 2\pi i \operatorname{Res}_{z=a_1} f + 2\pi i \operatorname{Res}_{z=a_2} f + \dots + 2\pi i \operatorname{Res}_{z=a_n} f$$

$$\int_C f = 2\pi i \sum_{k=1}^n \operatorname{Res}_{z=a_k} f$$

Example

$$f(z) = \frac{3z-1}{z^2-1}$$



Integrate  $f$  about  $C: |z| < 3$

$f$  has two simple poles at  $z = \pm 1$

$$\text{Res}_{z=1} f(z) = \lim_{z \rightarrow 1} (z-1) \frac{(3z-1)}{(z-1)(z+1)} = 1$$

$$\text{Res}_{z=-1} f(z) = \lim_{z \rightarrow -1} (z+1) \frac{(3z-1)}{(z-1)(z+1)} = 2$$

By the Residue Theorem

$$\int_C f(z) dz = \int_C \frac{3z-1}{z^2-1} = 2\pi i (1+2) = 6\pi i$$

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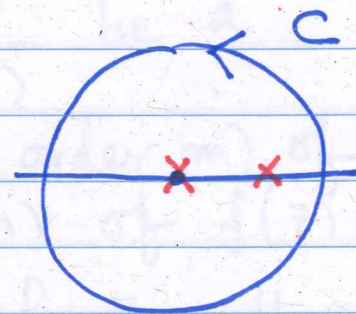
## Residue Thm

Evaluate  $\int_C \frac{5z-2}{z(z-1)} dz \dots = 10\pi i$

$C$ : circle  $|z| = 2$ .

$f(z) = \frac{5z-2}{z(z-1)}$  has singularities

inside  $C$  (a)  $z = 0, 1$ .



Residue (a)  $z = 0$ : (simple pole)

$$\lim_{z \rightarrow 0} z \frac{5z-2}{z(z-1)} = \lim_{z \rightarrow 0} \frac{5z-2}{z-1} = 2$$

or,

$$\frac{5z-2}{z(z-1)} = \frac{2-5z}{z(1-z)} = \frac{2-5z}{z} [1+z+z^2+\dots]$$

$$= \frac{2}{z} + 2 + 2z^2 + \dots \quad (-5 - 5z \dots)$$

$$b_1 = \text{Res } f = 2$$

$$\text{Res } f = \lim_{z \rightarrow 1} (z-1) \frac{5z-2}{z(z-1)} = 3$$

By the Residue Thm  $\int_C \frac{5z-2}{z(z-1)} dz$

$$= 2\pi i (2+3) = 10\pi i$$



Another result at calculating residues at simple poles:

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Thm. Let  $f(z) = \frac{p(z)}{q(z)}$  be a rational function. A zero (of order  $m$ ) of  $q(z)$  is a pole (of order  $m$ ) of  $f(z)$ .

If  $z_0$  is a simple pole of  $f(z)$ , then

$$\operatorname{Res}_{z=z_0} f(z) = \frac{p(z_0)}{q'(z_0)}$$

$$f(z) = \frac{1}{z^6 + 1}$$

$\nearrow p$   
 $\searrow q$

Zeros of  $z^6 + 1$  are the 6th roots of  $-1$ :

$$e^{i\pi/6}, e^{i3\pi/6}, e^{i5\pi/6}, e^{i7\pi/6}, e^{i9\pi/6}, e^{i11\pi/6}$$

$$\operatorname{Res}_{z=e^{i\pi/6}} \frac{1}{z^6 + 1}$$

$$= \left. \frac{1}{6z^5} \right|_{z=e^{i\pi/6}} = \frac{1}{6} e^{-i5\pi/6}$$

all simple poles of  $\frac{1}{z^6 + 1}$

Similarly

$$\operatorname{Res}_{z=e^{i7\pi/6}} f(z) = \frac{1}{6} e^{-5\pi/2 i}$$

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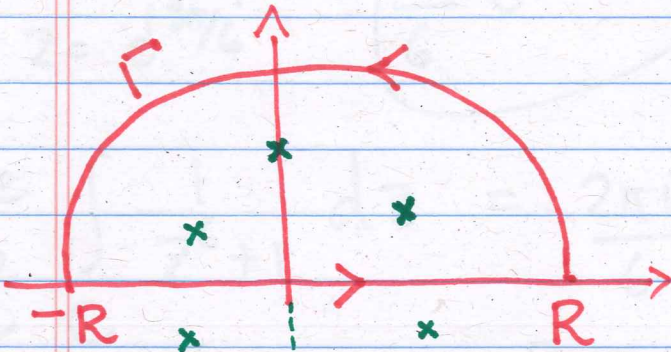
# Applications of the Residue Thm in evaluating real integrals :

① Integrals of the form  $\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} F(x) dx$

$F(x)$  is a rational function

$$\int_0^{\infty} \frac{dx}{x^6+1}$$

Let  $f(z) = \frac{1}{z^6+1}$   
function of a complex variable



$C: [-R, R] \cup \Gamma$   
 $\Gamma$ : upper boundary of the circle of radius  $R$

$5\pi/6$   
 $= \pi - \pi/6$   
 $7\pi/6 = \pi + \pi/6$

$$\int_C \frac{1}{z^6+1} dz$$

$$z^6 + 1 = 0 \text{ if } z^6 = -1 = e^{i(\pi + 2n\pi)}$$

$$z = e^{i\frac{\pi(2n+1)}{6}} \quad \left| \quad z = e^{i\frac{(2n+1)\pi}{6}} \quad n=0,1,\dots,5$$

$\Rightarrow z = e^{i\pi/6}, e^{i3\pi/6}, e^{i5\pi/6}, e^{i7\pi/6}, e^{i9\pi/6}, e^{i11\pi/6}$   
 $\rightarrow z_1, \rightarrow z_2, \rightarrow z_3$  (circled) outside

are the singularities of  $\frac{1}{z^6+1}$ , all poles of order 1.

$$\int_C \frac{1}{z^6+1} dz = \int_{-R}^R \frac{dx}{x^6+1} + \int_{\Gamma} \frac{dz}{z^6+1}$$

$$\text{Res } f = \lim_{z \rightarrow e^{i\pi/6}} (z - e^{i\pi/6}) \frac{1}{z^6+1} = \frac{1}{6} e^{-i5\pi/6}$$

$$\text{Res } f = \frac{1}{6} e^{-i5\pi/2}$$

$$\text{Res } f = \frac{1}{6} e^{-25\pi i/6}$$

By the  
residue  
Theorem

$$\int_C \frac{1}{z^6+1} dz = \frac{2\pi i}{6} \left[ e^{-i5\pi/6} + e^{-i5\pi/2} + e^{-25\pi i/6} \right]$$

$$= \frac{2\pi}{3}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{2\pi}{3} = \int_{-R}^R \frac{dx}{x^6+1} + \int_{\Gamma} \frac{dz}{z^6+1}$$

$$\Gamma: z = R e^{i\theta} \quad 0 \leq \theta \leq \pi$$

$$dz = R i e^{i\theta} d\theta$$

$$\lim_{R \rightarrow \infty} \left| \int_{\Gamma} \frac{dz}{z^6+1} \right| = \lim_{R \rightarrow \infty} \left| \int_0^{\pi} \frac{i R e^{i\theta} d\theta}{R^6 e^{i6\theta} + 1} \right| \leq \lim_{R \rightarrow \infty} \int_0^{\pi} \frac{R d\theta}{|R^6 e^{i6\theta} + 1|}$$

$$= \lim_{R \rightarrow \infty} \int_0^{\pi} \frac{R d\theta}{R^6 |e^{i6\theta} + \frac{1}{R^6}|} = 0$$

Taking the limit as  $R \rightarrow \infty$

$$\frac{2\pi}{3} = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{dx}{x^6+1} + \lim_{R \rightarrow \infty} \int \frac{dz}{z^6+1}$$

0 ←

$$\Rightarrow \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{dx}{x^6+1} = \frac{2\pi}{3}$$

$$\int_0^{\infty} \frac{dx}{x^6+1} = \frac{1}{2} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{dx}{x^6+1} = \frac{\pi}{3}$$

# Application of the Residue Theorem in evaluating real integrals

$$(2) \int_0^{2\pi} G(\sin\theta, \cos\theta) d\theta$$

$G$ : is a rational function of  $\sin\theta, \cos\theta$

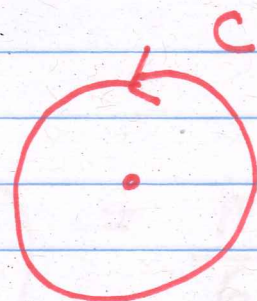
Example

$$\int_0^{2\pi} \frac{d\theta}{13 - 5\cos\theta}$$

Set  $z = e^{i\theta}$ ,  $0 \leq \theta \leq 2\pi$

on the unit circle

$$\begin{aligned} dz &= i e^{i\theta} d\theta \\ d\theta &= \frac{1}{iz} dz \end{aligned}$$



$$z = \cos\theta + i\sin\theta$$

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

$$\sin\theta = \frac{e^{i\theta} - e^{-i\theta}}{2i} = \frac{1}{2i} \left( z - \frac{1}{z} \right)$$

$$\frac{1}{13 - 5\cos\theta} = \frac{1}{13 - \frac{5}{2} \left( z + \frac{1}{z} \right)} = \dots = \frac{-2z}{(5z-1)(z-5)}$$

$$\int_0^{2\pi} \frac{d\theta}{13 - 5\cos\theta} = \int_C \frac{-2z dz}{(5z-1)(z-5)i} = \frac{-2}{i} \int_C \frac{dz}{(5z-1)(z-5)}$$

Let  $f(z) = \frac{-2}{i(5z-1)(z-5)}$ . Singularities at  $z = \frac{1}{5}, 5$

$\frac{1}{5}$  is inside  $C$

$C$ : unit circle

$$\text{Res } f(z) = \lim_{z \rightarrow \frac{1}{5}} \left(z - \frac{1}{5}\right) \frac{-2}{i} \frac{1}{(5z-1)(z-5)}$$

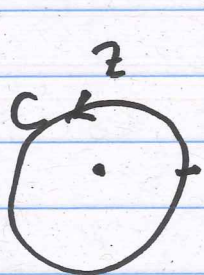
$$= \lim_{z \rightarrow \frac{1}{5}} \left(\cancel{z - \frac{1}{5}}\right) \left(-\frac{2}{i}\right) \frac{1}{5(\cancel{z - \frac{1}{5}})(z-5)}$$

$$= -\frac{i}{12}$$

$$\frac{-2}{i} \int_C \frac{dz}{(5z-1)(z-5)} = 2\pi i \left(-\frac{i}{12}\right) = \frac{\pi}{6}$$

$$\Rightarrow \int_0^{2\pi} \frac{d\theta}{13-5\cos\theta} = \frac{\pi}{6}$$

General idea :  $I = \int_0^{2\pi} G(\sin\theta, \cos\theta) d\theta$ .



$$z = e^{i\theta} \Rightarrow dz = i e^{i\theta} d\theta$$

$$\Rightarrow d\theta = \frac{dz}{i e^{i\theta}} = \frac{dz}{iz}$$

$$\cos\theta = \frac{1}{2} \left(z + \frac{1}{z}\right) \quad \sin\theta = \frac{1}{2i} \left(z - \frac{1}{z}\right)$$

$$I = \int_C \tilde{G}(z) \frac{dz}{iz}$$

$C$ : unit circle  
Find singularities of  $\tilde{G}$  inside  $C$ ; use Residue Thm.