

MATH 122B: HOMEWORK 3

Suggested due date: August 22nd 2016

- (1) Compute the Laurent expansion of

$$\frac{e^z}{z(z^2 + 1)}, \quad 0 < |z| < 1.$$

- (2) what are the singularities of the function $f(z) = \frac{z^4(z-1)}{\sin^2(\pi z)}$?

- (3) Assume that $z = a$ is a pole of order N of the function f . Show that it is a pole of order $N + 1$ of the function f' .

- (4) Compute the residue of the function

$$\frac{nz^{n-1}}{z^n - 1}$$

at its poles, including infinity. Then prove

$$\frac{nz^{n-1}}{z^n - 1} = \sum_{k=0}^{n-1} \frac{1}{z - \alpha_k}$$

where $\alpha_0, \dots, \alpha_{n-1}$ are the roots of unity of order n .

- (5) Let C be a simple closed contour and f holomorphic in and on C , with the possibly a finite number of poles inside C . Show that

$$\frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_C \frac{f'}{f} = Z - P$$

where Z denotes the number of zeroes of f and P is the number of poles, both counting multiplicity, inside C .

- (6) Compute $\int_{|z|=2} \frac{dz}{(z^{1000} + 1)(z - 3)}$.

- (7) Compute the Fresnel integral $\int_0^\infty \sin(x^2) dx$.

- (8) Compute $\int_0^\infty \frac{dx}{x^4 + 1}$.

- (9) Compute $\int_{|z-1|=4} z^3 e^{1/z} dz$.

- (10) Compute $\int_0^\infty \frac{\sin^2(x)}{x^2} dx$.

SOLUTIONS

(1) Computing each Laurent series,

$$e^z = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{z^n}{n!}$$

$$\frac{1}{1+z^2} = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} (-1)^k z^{2k}$$

We combine them to obtain

$$\frac{e^z}{z(z^2+1)} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \left(\sum_{j=0}^n \frac{(-1)^j}{(n-2j)!} \right) z^{n-1}.$$

(2) The zeroes of $\sin(\pi z)$ are $n \in \mathbb{Z}$. Since the numerator has z^4 , $z = 0$ is a removable singularity. Since $(z-1)$ is in the numerator but only of linear order, it only cancels with one order for $z = 1$, hence $z = 1$ is a simple pole, and all other positive and negative integers are poles of order 2.

(3) Since f has a pole of order N at a , in some punctured neighborhood,

$$f(z) = \frac{g(z)}{(z-a)^N}$$

where $g(a) \neq 0$. Then

$$f'(z) = \frac{(z-a)g'(z) - Ng(z)}{(z-a)^{N+1}} = \frac{h(z)}{(z-a)^{N+1}}$$

where $h(a) \neq 0$.

(4) The simple poles are the n -th roots of unity $\{e^{2k\pi/n}\}_{k=0}^{n-1}$. The residue is

$$\text{Res}(f, \alpha_k) = \frac{n(\alpha_k)^{n-1}}{n(\alpha_k)^{n-1}} = 1$$

The residue at infinity can be computed by

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Res}(f, \infty) &= -\text{Res}\left(\frac{1}{w^2} f\left(\frac{1}{w}\right), 0\right) \\ &= -\text{Res}\left(\frac{n}{w(1-w^n)}, 0\right) = -n \end{aligned}$$

To prove the identity, we know that there is a partial fraction decomposition

$$\frac{nz^{n-1}}{z^n - 1} = \sum_{k=0}^{n-1} \frac{A_k}{z - \alpha^k}$$

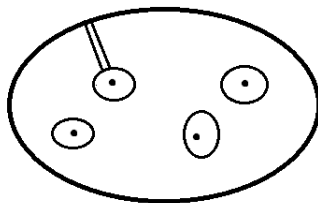
Solving for the coefficients, we have

$$nz^{n-1} = \sum_{k=0}^{n-1} A_k \prod_{i \neq k} (z - \alpha_i)$$

Inserting $z = \alpha_k$, we have

$$A_k = \frac{n(\alpha_k)^{n-1}}{\prod_{i \neq k} (\alpha_k - \alpha_i)} = \text{Res}(f, \alpha_k) = 1$$

- (5) Let z_1, \dots, z_n be the zeroes and p_1, \dots, p_m be the poles. Since the zeroes and poles are isolated, we can cover each by a ball so that the integral becomes the sum of the integral around each zero and pole



Let C_i contain the zeroes and let D_i contain the poles so

$$\frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_C \frac{f'}{f} = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \sum_i \left(\int_{C_i} \frac{f'}{f} \right) + \frac{1}{2\pi i} \sum_j \left(\int_{D_j} \frac{f'}{f} \right)$$

Around each zero, z_i , we can write f as

$$f(z) = g(z)(z - z_i)^{n_i}$$

where $g(z_i) \neq 0$. Then

$$\frac{f'}{f} = \frac{g'}{g} + \frac{n_i}{z - z_i}$$

therefore

$$\frac{1}{2\pi i} \sum_i \left(\int_{C_i} \frac{f'}{f} \right) = \sum_i n_i = Z.$$

Around each pole, we can write f as

$$f(z) = \frac{h(z)}{(z - p_i)^{m_i}}$$

where $h(p_i) \neq 0$. Hence

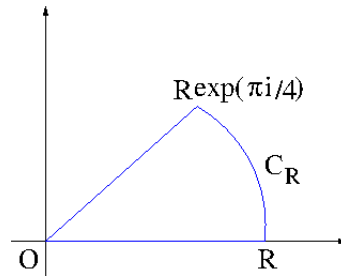
$$\frac{f'}{f} = \frac{h'}{h} - \frac{m_i}{z - p_i}$$

therefore

$$\frac{1}{2\pi i} \sum_i \left(\int_{D_i} \frac{f'}{f} \right) = - \sum_i m_i = -P.$$

- (6) Use $\sum_{k=1}^{1000} \text{Res}(f, \alpha_k) = -\text{Res}(f, 3) - \text{Res}(f, \infty)$.

- (7) Using the contour



with Γ_R as the circular portion and γ as the line towards the origin at $\pi/4$, we split the integral as

$$0 = \int_{C_R} e^{iz^2} dz = \int_0^R e^{ix^2} dx + \int_{\Gamma_R} e^{iz^2} dz + \int_{\gamma} e^{iz^2} dz.$$

By the inequality $-\sin(2\theta) \leq \frac{4\theta}{\pi}$ on $0 \leq \theta \leq \frac{\pi}{4}$, we have

$$\begin{aligned} \left| \int_{\Gamma_R} e^{iz^2} dz \right| &= \left| Ri \int_0^{\pi/4} e^{iR^2 e^{i2\theta}} e^{i\theta} d\theta \right| \\ &\leq R \int_0^{\pi/4} e^{-R^2 \sin(2\theta)} d\theta \\ &\leq R \int_0^{\pi/4} e^{-4R^2 \theta/\pi} d\theta \\ &= -\frac{R\pi}{4R^2} (e^{-R^2} - 1) \rightarrow 0 \end{aligned}$$

as $R \rightarrow \infty$. To compute the integral along γ , we have

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{\gamma} e^{iz^2} dz &= -e^{i\pi/4} \int_0^R e^{-r^2} dr \\ &\rightarrow -\frac{\pi}{2} \left(\frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} + i \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} \right), \end{aligned}$$

as $R \rightarrow 0$. Matching the real and imaginary parts, we get

$$\int_0^{\infty} \sin(x^2) dx = \frac{\sqrt{2\pi}}{4}$$

(8) Similar and easier method as above, answer is $\frac{\pi}{2\sqrt{2}}$.

(9) Straightforward application of residue theorem, computing the Laurent series, we have

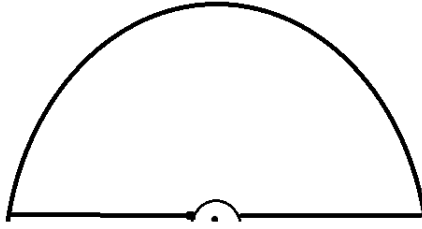
$$z^3 e^{1/z} = z^3 \left(1 + \frac{1}{z} + \frac{1}{2z^2} + \frac{1}{3!z^3} + \frac{1}{4!} z^4 + O\left(\frac{1}{z^5}\right) \right)$$

so the $1/z$ term is $\frac{1}{4!}$. Thus by residue theorem, the answer is $\frac{2\pi i}{4!}$.

(10) Consider the integral

$$4 \int_0^{\infty} \frac{\sin^2(x)}{x^2} dx = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{1 - \cos(2x)}{x^2} dx.$$

To integrate, we integrate along the contour C_R



where the outer circle is Γ_R and the inner circle is γ_r . Then the integral splits as

$$\int_{C_R} \frac{1 - e^{i2z}}{z^2} dz = \int_{-R}^{-r} \frac{1 - e^{i2z}}{z^2} dz + \int_r^R \frac{1 - e^{i2z}}{z^2} dz + \int_{\Gamma_R} \frac{1 - e^{i2z}}{z^2} dz + \int_{\gamma_r} \frac{1 - e^{i2z}}{z^2} dz$$

We can show that $\int_{\Gamma_R} \frac{e^{1-i2z}}{z^2} dz \rightarrow 0$ as $R \rightarrow \infty$. So we integrate the smaller circle by parametrizing $z = re^{i\theta}$ for θ from π to 0, so that

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{\gamma_r} \frac{1 - e^{i2z}}{z^2} dz &= - \int_0^\pi \frac{1 - e^{i2re^{i\theta}}}{r^2 e^{2i\theta}} rie^{i\theta} d\theta \\ &= -i \int_0^\pi \frac{-(2ir e^{i\theta}) - \sum_{n=2}^\infty \frac{(i2re^{i\theta})^n}{n!}}{r} e^{-i\theta} d\theta \\ &= -2\pi + O(r) \rightarrow -2\pi \end{aligned}$$

as $r \rightarrow 0$. Hence the answer is $\pi/2$.