

Q6: It is sufficient to compute  $\frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{\gamma} \frac{zf'(z)}{f(z)-a} dz$  in a neighbourhood of a pole, and of a root. Then extend to all of the domain of integration by linearity. Furthermore, it is enough to check when  $a = 0$ , since we can always translate our closed curve  $\gamma$ . Taking a path  $\gamma$  enclosing some zero  $z_i$  with order  $k$ , we can write  $f$  locally as  $f(z) = (z - z_i)^k g(z)$  for some holomorphic  $g(z)$ . We compute that

$$\frac{zf'(z)}{f(z) - a} = \frac{zk(z - z_i)^{k-1}g(z) + z(z - z_i)^k g'(z)}{(z - z_i)^k g(z)} = \frac{zk g(z) + z(z - z_i)g'(z)}{(z - z_i)g(z)}.$$

The residue theorem tells us that this integral over  $\gamma$  will be  $z_i k$ . Similarly, if we evaluate this at a pole, we will get  $-mp_j$  where  $m$  is the order of the pole. Therefore, the entire integral will give us the sum of the poles and zeros counted with multiplicity.