Gate Question

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I. Question GATE PH 56

Consider the complex function

$$f(z) = \frac{z^2 \sin z}{(z - \pi)^4}$$

At $z = \pi$, which of the following options is (are) correct?

- (A) The order of the pole is 4
- **(B)** The order of the pole is 3
- (C) The residue at the pole is $\frac{\pi}{6}$ (D) The residue at the pole is $\frac{2\pi}{3}$

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II. Solution

TABLE 1 INPUT PARAMETERS

Parameter	Used to denote	Values
m	order of pole at $z = \pi$?
$Res(f,\pi)$	Residue of pole	?

 $\lim_{z\to\pi}(z-\pi)^3 f(z)$ (1)

$$= \lim_{z \to \pi} (z - \pi)^3 \left(\frac{z^2 \sin z}{(z - \pi)^4} \right)$$
 (2)

$$= \lim_{z \to \pi} \left(\frac{z^2 \sin z}{(z - \pi)} \right) \tag{3}$$

$$= \lim_{z \to \pi} \left(\frac{2z \sin z - z^2 \cos z}{1} \right) \tag{4}$$

Which is a finite value, so order of pole is 3.

Res
$$(f, \pi) = \frac{1}{(m-1)!} \frac{d^m}{dz^m} [(z-\pi)^m f(z)] \bigg|_{z=\pi}$$
 (5)

$$\operatorname{Res}(f,\pi) = \frac{1}{2!} \frac{d}{dz} \left[(z - \pi)^3 \frac{z^2 \sin z}{(z - \pi)^4} \right]_{z = \pi}$$
 (6)

Simplify the expression:

$$\operatorname{Res}(f,\pi) = \frac{1}{2!} \frac{d}{dz} \left[\frac{z^2 \sin z}{(z-\pi)} \right]_{z=\pi} \tag{7}$$

Compute the derivative:

$$\operatorname{Res}(f,\pi) = \frac{1}{2!} \frac{d}{dz} \left[z^2 \sin z \right] \bigg|_{z=\pi}$$
 (8)

Res
$$(f, \pi) = \frac{1}{2!} \left(2z \sin z + 2z^2 \cos z \right) \Big|_{z=\pi}$$
 (9)

Now, substitute $z = \pi$:

Res
$$(f, \pi) = \frac{1}{2!} (2\pi \sin(\pi) + 2\pi^2 \cos(\pi))$$
 (10)

Since $\sin(\pi) = 0$ and $\cos(\pi) = -1$, this simplifies to:

Res
$$(f, \pi) = \frac{1}{2!}(-2\pi^2) = -\pi^2$$
 (11)