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Cauchy residue theorem

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$$\int_C f(z) dz = 2\pi i \sum_{i=1}^m \eta(C, a_i) \operatorname{Res}(f; a_i),$$

where

$$\eta(C, a_i) := \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_C \frac{dz}{z - a_i}$$

is the winding number of C about a_i , and $Res(f; a_i)$ denotes the residue of f at a_i .

The Cauchy residue theorem generalizes both the Cauchy integral theorem (because analytic functions have no poles) and the Cauchy integral formula (because $f(x)/(x-a)^n$ for analytic f has exactly one pole at x=a with residue $\text{Res}(f(x)/(x-a)^n,a)=f^{(n)}(a)/n!$).