

## 8 Argument Principle & its Applications

### 8.1 The Arg principle.

Thm] (Arg Princ.) let  $f$  be a meromorphic function on domain  $\Omega$  with zeros  $a_j$  & poles  $b_k$ , listed with multiplicities. (D for zeros usual sum for pole order.)

$$\Rightarrow \frac{1}{2\pi i} \oint_{\Gamma} \frac{f'(z)}{f(z)} dz = \sum_j w_r(a_j) - \sum_k w_r(b_k)$$

Rmk: about  $z$

+ cycle  $\gamma \sim 0 \bmod \Omega$ . Does not pass through any zeros & poles

Cor] let  $\Gamma$  be a piecewise smooth Jordan Curve.

&  $\Omega = \text{int } \Gamma$ . Suppose  $f$  is meromorphic on  $\Omega \cup \Gamma$  without zeros or poles on  $\Gamma$

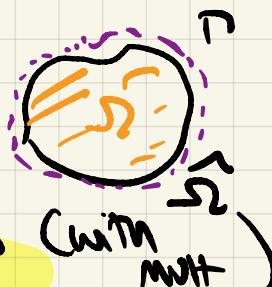
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apply  $\Rightarrow$

$$= \# \text{Zeros} - \# \text{Poles}$$

(with mult)

Pf] This is a pf.



Proof] let  $g(z) = \frac{f'(z)}{f(z)}$  meromorphic we want to compute it using residue thm.  $\Rightarrow$  find si

We see singularities would be subset of irregularities  $\times$  zeros of  $f$ .

If  $a$  is a zero of  $f$  of order  $m$

$$\Rightarrow f(z) = (z-a)^m h(z), \quad h \text{ analytic near } a \quad h(a) \neq 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{f'(z)}{f(z)} = \frac{m}{z-a} + \frac{h'(z)}{h(z)}$$

analytic at  $z=a$

power series exp.

$$\Rightarrow \left| \operatorname{Res}_{z=a} \frac{f'}{f} \right| = m \quad (\text{order of } 0) \quad \Rightarrow \text{multiplicity}$$

If  $\beta$  a pole of order  $n$

$$\Rightarrow f(z) = \frac{h(z)}{(z-\beta)^n} = (z-\beta)^{-n} h(z)$$

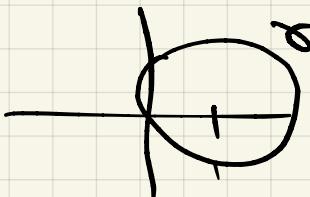
In analytic at  
 $\beta$   $h(\beta) + 0$

Same comp  $\Rightarrow$   $\underset{\beta}{\text{Res}} \frac{f'}{f} = -n \Rightarrow$  mult of pole

open residue  $\xrightarrow[\text{then}]{}$   $\frac{1}{2\pi i} \oint_{\Gamma} g(z) dz = \sum_{z_j} w_{f_0}(z_j) \text{Res}_{z_j} g_j$  (considering above)

= result since we  
gives multiplicity  
by res.

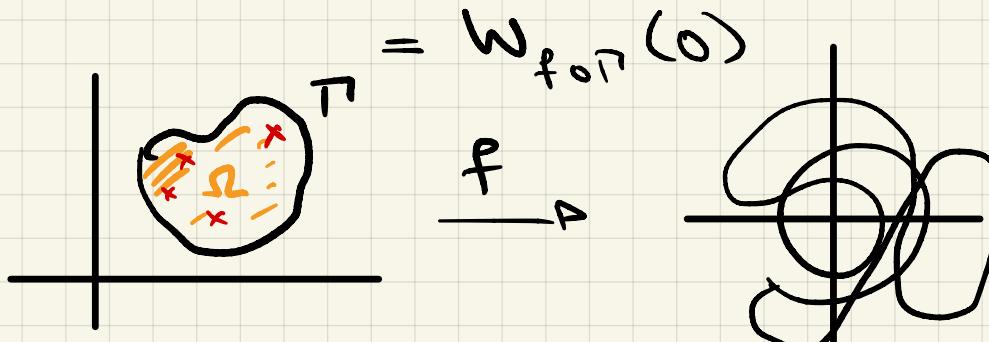
eg]  $f(z) = \frac{1}{(z-1)^2}$



$$w_{f_0}(1) \cdot 2 = 2 \quad | \quad a_1 = 1, a_2 = 1 \\ w_{f_0}(1) + w_{f_0}(1) = 2$$

Cor 1 Assume same as prev cor w/ Jordan Curve  $\Gamma$ .

Then,  $z-\beta = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \oint_{\Gamma} \frac{f(z)}{f'(z)} dz$  by earlier



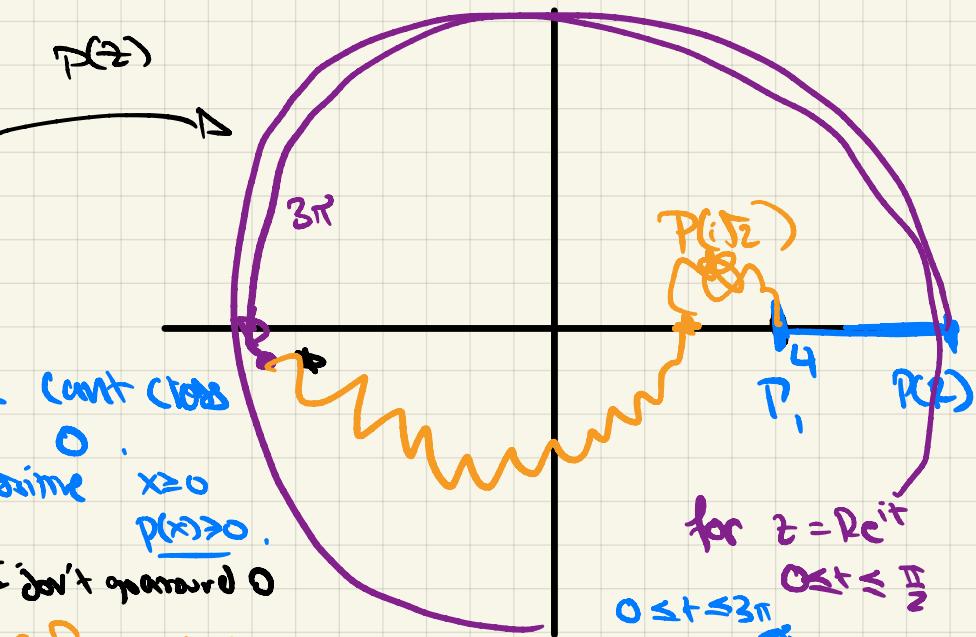
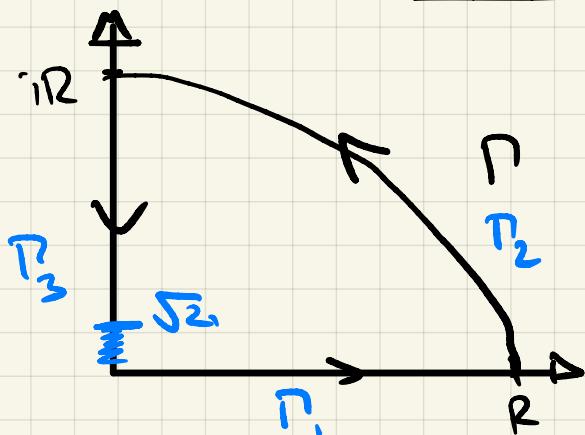
Pf

$$\frac{1}{2\pi i} \oint_{\Gamma} \frac{f'(z)}{f(z)} dz \stackrel{\text{param}}{=} \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_a^b \frac{f'(\Gamma(t))}{f(\Gamma(t))} \Gamma'(t) dt$$

$$= \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_a^b \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \left( \frac{f \circ \Gamma(t)}{f(\Gamma(t))} \right) dt \quad \text{call } f \circ \Gamma = h$$

$$= \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_a^b \frac{h'(t)}{h(t)} dt = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \oint_{\Gamma} \frac{dw}{w} = w_n(0)$$

c.g) Find the number of roots in the first quadrant.  $z^6 + 9z^4 + z^3 + 2z + 1 = P(z)$



$\hookrightarrow$  mapped to  $\mathbb{R}$  (cont closed)

stays positive  $x \geq 0$

$P(x) > 0$ .

don't surround 0

$\hookrightarrow$  -ive for  $\sqrt{2} < y \leq R$

stay in bottom half

$$\text{im } P(iy) = -y^3 + 2y$$

when  $y = R$  large

$\hookrightarrow$  negative  $\Rightarrow \star$

$$P(i\sqrt{2}) = -8 + 9 \cdot 4 + 4 > 0$$

$$z = iy \in T_3 \quad P(iy)$$

$$\frac{-y^6 + 9y^4 - iy^3 + 2iy + 4}{(-y^6 + 9y^4 + 4) + i(-y^3 + 2y)}$$

for  $z = Re^{it}$   
 $0 \leq t \leq \frac{\pi}{2}$

$$P(Re^{it}) \approx R^6 e^{it} \quad \text{dominant.}$$

$\text{Re } P(iy) = -y^6 + 9y^4 + 4 > 0$  when  $0 \leq y < \sqrt{2}$  stay on Right side  
 $(\text{so no wrap})$

$\therefore \omega_{f+g}(0) = 2$  for large enough  $R$ .

### (Cor) (Rouche's Thm)

Let  $\Gamma$  be a piecewise smooth Jordan Curve &  $S$  its interior.

If  $f, g$  analytic on  $\Gamma \cup S$  &  $|g(z)| < |f(z)| \forall z \in \Gamma$

Then  $\omega_{f+g} = \omega_f$

(so  $f$  has no zeros on  $\Gamma$ )  
 $\Rightarrow f+g$  doesn't.

e.g. How many zeros does the map  $e^z - 1 - 2z$  have in  $|z| < 1$ ?

$$\text{let } f(z) = -2z, g(z) = e^z - 1$$

Check  $|g(z)| < |f(z)|$  in  $|z|=1$ ? If so ans to abv

$$|e^z - 1| \stackrel{?}{<} |2z|$$

"2"

$$\begin{aligned} |e^z - 1 - 2z| &= |e^z - 1| \\ &= \boxed{\text{?}} \text{ in } |z| < 1 \end{aligned}$$

$$|e^z - 1| = |z + \frac{z^2}{2!} + \frac{z^3}{3!} + \dots|$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{on } z=1 &\approx |z| + \frac{|z^2|}{2!} + \frac{|z^3|}{3!} + \dots \\ &= 1 + \frac{1}{2!} + \frac{1}{3!} + \dots = e^1 - 1 \stackrel{?}{=} 1.71 \dots \leq 2 \end{aligned}$$

$$\therefore |e^z - 1| < 2 \text{ on } |z|=1 \quad \text{taylor series} \quad e^z = 1 + 1 + \frac{1}{2!} + \dots$$

Pf of Rouché's

(arg principle) as freq, f don't vanish on  $\Gamma$

$$\text{PF 1} \quad Z_{f+g} - Z_f = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \oint_{\Gamma} \frac{f'(z) + g'(z)}{f(z) + g(z)} dz$$

Note:

$\frac{h'(z)}{h(z)}$  of form  $\frac{p(z)}{q(z)}$  by prev work

$$= \frac{1}{2\pi i} \oint_{\Gamma} \frac{\frac{f'(z)}{f(z)}}{1 + \frac{g(z)}{f(z)}} dz$$

$$= \frac{1}{2\pi i} \oint_{\Gamma} \frac{\left(\frac{g(z)}{f(z)}\right)'}{1 + \frac{g(z)}{f(z)}} dz$$

$$= \int_{\Gamma} \frac{1+g(z)}{1+g(z)} dz \xrightarrow{\text{modulus} < 1 \text{ on } \Gamma} 0 \quad \text{Can't get to real positive bit.}$$

$$= \omega_{\left(1+\frac{g}{f}\right) \circ \Gamma}(0) = 0$$

(in right half plane)

PR 21 for  $0 \leq t \leq 1$  let

$$f_t(z) = f(z) + t g(z)$$

so that  $f_0(z) = f(z)$ ,  $f_1(z) = f(z) + g(z)$

$$Z(t) := Z_{f+t} = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \oint \frac{f'(z) + tg'(z)}{f(z) + tg(z)} dz$$

check  $\frac{f'}{f}$   
doesn't vanish

Check  $Z(t)$  is cb func of  $t$

but  $Z(t)$  is int valued  $\Rightarrow Z$  is cts!

$$\text{So, } \boxed{Z(1) = Z(0)}$$

□.