

MA205-6

Applications :

Theorem (Jordan's Lemma) :

Let f be a continuous function defined on the semicircular contour: $C_R = \{ R e^{i\theta} \mid \theta \in [0, \pi] \}$

of the form $f(z) = e^{iaz} g(z)$: with $a > 0$.

Let $M_R = \max_{\theta \in [0, \pi]} |g(R e^{i\theta})|$.

Then $\left| \int_{C_R} f(z) dz \right| \leq \frac{\pi}{a} M_R$

Proof: $\int_{C_R} f(z) dz = \int_0^\pi g(R e^{i\theta}) \cdot e^{iaR(\cos\theta + i\sin\theta)} \cdot iR e^{i\theta} d\theta$

$$\Rightarrow \left| \int_{C_R} f(z) dz \right| \leq R \int_0^{\pi} |g(Re^{i\theta})| e^{aR(i\cos\theta - \sin\theta)} \cdot i e^{i\theta} d\theta$$

$$= R \int_0^{\pi} |g(Re^{i\theta})| e^{-aR \sin\theta} d\theta$$

$$\leq R M_R \int_0^{\pi} e^{-aR \sin\theta} d\theta$$

$$\leq 2 R M_R \int_0^{\pi/2} e^{-aR \sin\theta} d\theta$$

Check: $\int_0^{\pi/2} e^{-aR \sin\theta} d\theta < \frac{\pi}{2aR}$ (see the next example)

$$\Rightarrow \left| \int_{C_R} f(z) dz \right| \leq \frac{2 R M_R \pi}{2aR} = \frac{\pi}{a} M_R.$$

Example:

Evaluate $\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{\sin x}{x} dx$

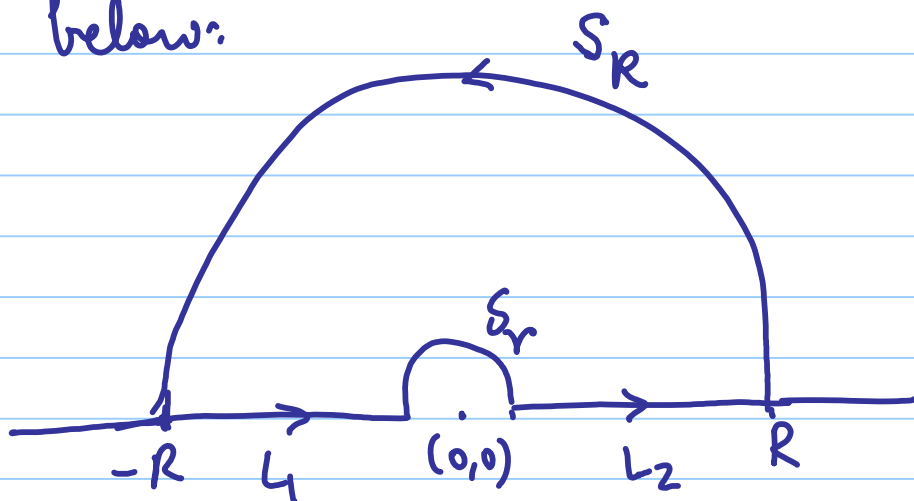
Take $f(z) = \frac{e^{iz}}{z}$

Note that the imaginary part of $\frac{e^{iz}}{z}$ is $\frac{\sin x}{x}$.

$f(z)$ has a simple pole at the origin.

To avoid it, we make an "indentation",

as below:



$$f(z) = \frac{e^{iz}}{z}$$

By Cauchy's integral theorem,

$$\int_{L_1} f(z) dz + \int_{-S_r} f(z) dz + \int_{L_2} f(z) dz + \int_{S_R} f(z) dz = 0$$

Note: $\int_{L_1} f(z) dz + \int_{L_2} f(z) dz$

$$= \int_{-R}^{-r} \frac{e^{ix}}{x} dx + \int_r^R \frac{e^{ix}}{x} dx$$

$$= i \int_{-R}^{-r} \frac{\sin x}{x} dx + i \int_r^R \frac{\sin x}{x} dx \quad (*)$$

As $R \rightarrow \infty$ the above $(*) \rightarrow i \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{\sin x}{x} dx$

We shall show $\int_{S_R} f(z) dz \rightarrow 0$ as $R \rightarrow \infty$
(follows from Jordan's lemma!)

Let $z = Re^{it} \quad : 0 \leq t \leq \pi$
 $dz = Ri e^{it} dt \quad : \frac{dz}{z} = i dt$

$$\int_{S_R} f(z) dz = i \int_0^{\bar{n}} e^{iR e^{it}} dt$$

$$| \quad | \leq \int_0^{\bar{n}} e^{-R \sin t} dt \quad (\text{why?})$$

Now use the inequality:

$$\sin t \geq \frac{2t}{\pi} \quad : \quad 0 \leq t \leq \frac{\pi}{2}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \left| \int_{S_R} f(z) dz \right| &\leq \int_0^{\pi} e^{-R \sin t} dt \\ &\leq 2 \int_0^{\pi/2} e^{-R \sin t} dt \end{aligned}$$

$$\sin t \geq \frac{2t}{\pi} \Rightarrow e^{-R \sin t} \leq e^{-\frac{2Rt}{\pi}}$$

$$\therefore \left| \int_{S_R} f(z) dz \right| \leq 2 \int_0^{\pi/2} e^{-2Rt/\pi} dt$$

Show that $\int_0^{\pi/2} e^{-2Rt/\pi} dt \rightarrow 0$ as $R \rightarrow \infty$

Next we calculate $\lim_{r \rightarrow 0} \int_{S_r} f(z) dz$

$$\int_{S_r} f(z) dz = \int_{S_r} \frac{e^{iz}}{z} dz$$

$$= \int_{S_r} \frac{e^{iz} - 1}{z} dz + \int_{S_r} \frac{dz}{z}$$

$$= \int_{S_r} \frac{e^{iz} - 1}{z} dz - i\pi$$

Note: $\frac{e^{iz} - 1}{z}$ has a removable singularity

at 0. Hence $\exists M > 0$ such that

$$\left| \frac{e^{iz} - 1}{z} \right| \leq M \quad : \text{ for } |z| \leq 1$$

(why?)

$$\text{Hence } \lim_{r \rightarrow 0} \int_{S_r} \frac{e^{iz} - 1}{z} dz \leq \lim_{r \rightarrow 0} M \cdot (\text{length of } S_r) = 0$$

$$\therefore \lim_{r \rightarrow 0} \int_{\gamma_r} \frac{e^{iz}}{z} dz = -\pi i$$

$$\therefore i \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{\sin x}{x} dx = i\pi$$

$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{\sin x}{x} dx = \pi$$

Example: Evaluate $I = \int_0^{\infty} \frac{x^p}{(1+x^2)^2} : -1 < p < 3$

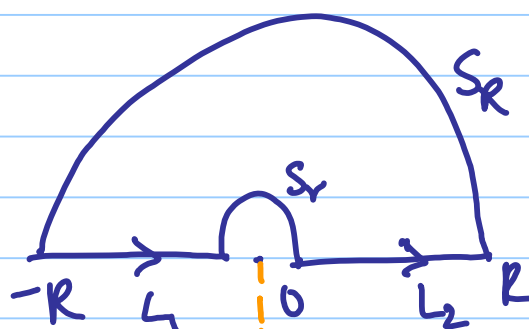
Take $f(z) = \frac{z^p}{(1+z^2)^2}$

Note: As z^p is defined using \log , at $z=0$ there

is a branch point. We choose a

semicircular contour with indentation

as below:



← remove this ray

$$\log z = \ln|z| + i \arg z \quad : -\frac{\pi}{2} < \arg z < \frac{3\pi}{2}$$

$$z^p = \exp(p \log z)$$

Check: $\lim_{R \rightarrow \infty} \int_{S_R} f(z) dz = 0$

$$\lim_{r \rightarrow 0} \int_{S_r} f(z) dz = 0$$

$$\int_{L_1} f(z) dz = \int_r^R \frac{x^p}{(1+x^2)^2} \rightarrow \underline{I} \quad \text{as } R \rightarrow \infty \text{ and } r \rightarrow 0$$

$$\int_{L_2} f(z) dz = \int_{-R}^{-r} \frac{|t|^p}{(1+t^2)^2} e^{i\pi p} \rightarrow -e^{i\pi p} \underline{I} \quad \text{as } R \rightarrow \infty \text{ and } r \rightarrow 0$$

If $C = S_R \cup L_1 \cup -S_r \cup L_2$ then

$$\int_C f(z) dz = \int_C \frac{z^p / (z+i)^2}{(z-i)^2} dz$$

$$= 2\pi i \left. \frac{d}{dz} \frac{z^p}{(z+i)^2} \right|_{z=-i} \quad (**)$$

$$\therefore f^{(n)}(z_0) = \frac{n!}{2\pi i} \oint_C \frac{f(w)}{(w-z_0)^{n+1}} dw$$

Let $R \rightarrow \infty$ & $r \rightarrow 0$ in (**) to get the value of the integral.

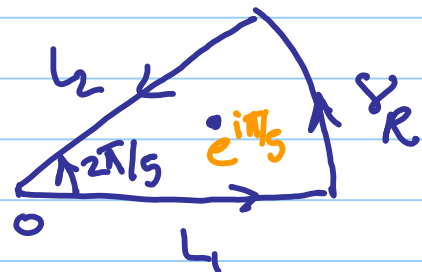
Example: Evaluate $I = \int_0^{\infty} \frac{dx}{1+x^5}$

$$\text{let } f(z) = \frac{1}{1+z^5}$$

f has simple poles which are roots of

$$1+z^5=0.$$

$e^{i\pi/5}$ is one root. Consider the sector



$$\int_{L_1} f(z) dz + \int_{\gamma_R} f(z) dz + \int_{L_2} f(z) dz = 2\pi i \operatorname{Res}(f; e^{i\pi/5}) \rightarrow (*)$$

check: $\lim_{R \rightarrow \infty} \int_{\gamma_R} f(z) dz = 0$

$$\int_L f(z) dz = \int_0^R \frac{dt}{1+t^s} \longrightarrow I \text{ as } R \rightarrow \infty$$

$$\text{on } -L_2 : z = te^{2\pi i/s} : 0 \leq t \leq R$$

$$dz = e^{2\pi i/s} dt$$

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{L_2} f(z) dz &= - \int_0^R \frac{e^{2\pi i/s} dt}{1+t^s} \\ &= -e^{2\pi i/s} \int_0^R \frac{dt}{1+t^s} \longrightarrow -e^{2\pi i/s} \cdot I \end{aligned}$$

as $R \rightarrow \infty$

letting $R \rightarrow \infty$ in (*), we get:

$$I (1 - e^{2\pi i/s}) = 2\pi i \operatorname{Res}(f; e^{\pi i/s})$$

$$I = \frac{2\pi i}{(1 - e^{2\pi i/s})} \cdot \operatorname{Res}(f; e^{\pi i/s})$$

As we have a simple pole,

$$\operatorname{Res}(f; e^{\pi i/s}) \underset{z_0}{=} = \lim_{z \rightarrow z_0} \frac{z - z_0}{1 + z^5}$$

$$= \frac{1}{5 z_0^4} = \frac{z_0}{5 z_0^5}$$

$$= -\frac{z_0}{5} = -\frac{1}{5} e^{i\pi/s}$$

$$\therefore I = -\frac{\pi}{5} \frac{2i e^{i\pi/s}}{1 - e^{2\pi i/s}}$$

$$= \frac{\pi}{5} \frac{2i}{e^{i\pi/s} - e^{-i\pi/s}} = \frac{\pi}{5} \operatorname{cosec} \frac{\pi}{5}$$

Example: Prove that if a is a rational number such that $0 < a < 1$ then

$$\int_0^{\infty} \frac{t^{a-1}}{1+t} dt = \frac{\pi}{\sin \pi a}$$

Does the result hold for all real

numbers $a \in (0, 1)$? (Solution in next class)

From tutorial sheet ↓

Example: Determine the residue at each singularity of $\operatorname{cosec} z \cdot \operatorname{cosech} z$.

$$\text{Let } f(z) = \operatorname{cosec} z \cdot \operatorname{cosech} z = \frac{1}{\sin z \cdot \sinh z}$$

Singularities of f are $n\pi$ & $i n\pi$: $n=1, \dots$

check there are simple poles of f , except for $n=0$, at 0 there is a double pole.

let z_0 be a pole of f .

$$\text{Then } \lim_{z \rightarrow z_0} (z - z_0) \frac{1}{f(z)} = 0 \quad \left(\text{as } \lim_{z \rightarrow z_0} f(z) = \infty \right)$$

By RRT, $\frac{1}{f(z)}$ has a removable singularity

at z_0 . let g be holomorphic in $B_\varepsilon(z_0)$


$$\text{for some } \varepsilon > 0 \quad \& \quad g(z) = \frac{1}{f(z)} \quad : z \neq z_0$$

$$= 0 \quad : z = z_0$$

$$\text{So } g(z) = (z - z_0) g_1(z) : g_1(z_0) \neq 0$$

$$\Rightarrow f(z) = \frac{1/g_1(z)}{(z - z_0)}$$

$$\oint f(z) = \oint \frac{1/g_1(z)}{z - z_0} dz = 2\pi i \frac{1}{g_1(z_0)}$$

(by CIF)  $\rightarrow (*)$

$$\text{Now } g(z) = \sin z \cdot \sinh z = (z - z_0) \cdot g_1(z)$$

$$\Rightarrow g'(z) = g_1(z) + (z - z_0) g_1'(z)$$

$$\Rightarrow g'(z_0) = g_1(z_0)$$

Substitute \nearrow in (*) to get $\oint f(z) dz$

Then use CRT in $B_\epsilon(z_0)$ to get

$$\text{Res}(f; z_0).$$

$$\text{Res}(f; 0) = ?$$

Some students - especially Aniya, Anmol & Vedant - were discussing the following questions from the last tutorial sheet with me. As the explanations may be useful to you too, I'm writing them here.

i) Locate & classify the singularities of:


$$(iii) f(z) = \sin(wz) \sin(1/z) \frac{1}{1+z^4} : w = \exp\left(\frac{i\pi}{4}\right)$$

It is easy to see that solutions of $1+z^4$ form simple poles. We consider the remaining singularity at $z=0$.

We'll show that the singularity at

$z = 0$ is essential by showing that

$\lim_{z \rightarrow 0} z^m \cdot f(z)$ does not exist for every positive integer $m > 0$.

(check that)  implies that the principal

part of the Laurent series of f about 0

is infinite, i.e., 0 is an essential

singularity of f).

First note that $\sin(1/z)$ has 0 as an

essential singularity (this can be

seen from the Laurent series expansion of $\sin(1/z)$ about 0).

$\Rightarrow \lim_{z \rightarrow 0} z^m \cdot \sin(1/z)$ does not exist for any positive integer m

(as the series expansion of $\sin(1/z)$ has

infinitely many negative powers of z).

$$\text{So } \lim_{z \rightarrow 0} z^m \cdot f(z) = \lim_{z \rightarrow 0} z^m \cdot \sin(1/z) \cdot \sin(wz) \cdot \frac{1}{1+z^4}$$

$$= \lim_{z \rightarrow 0} z^{m+1} \cdot w \sin(1/z) \cdot \frac{\sin(wz)}{wz} \cdot \frac{1}{(1+z^4)}$$

$$\text{Now, } \lim_{z \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sin(wz)}{wz} = 1 = \lim_{z \rightarrow 0} \frac{1}{1+z^4}.$$

Use: $\lim_{z \rightarrow z_0} h(z) \cdot g(z)$ does not exist iff

$\lim_{z \rightarrow z_0} g(z) \neq 0$ & $\lim_{z \rightarrow z_0} f(z)$ does not exist.

$\Rightarrow \lim_{z \rightarrow 0} z^m \cdot f(z)$ does not exist
i.e. 0 is an essential singularity.

$$Q1)(iv) \quad g(z) = \log z \cdot \sin(yz) \cdot \sin(wz) \cdot \frac{1}{1+z^4}$$

$$= \log z \cdot f(z) \quad : \quad f \text{ as in (iii) above.}$$

• As in (iii) solutions of $1+z^4=0$ are simple poles.

• At $z=0$: $\log z$ has a non-isolated singularity (\log is the principal branch) as it's not defined on the negative real axis

$\Rightarrow z=0$ is a non-isolated zero of the function g above.

Q1)(v) \sim similar to (iv).