

Complex Powers of Complex Numbers (You use logs!)



$$f(z) = z^c$$

$$c \in \mathbb{C}$$

$$0 \leq \theta < 2\pi$$

principle branch of \ln

$$z^c = e^{c \ln z} = e^{c [\ln r + i\theta + i2n\pi]}$$

$$z = re^{i\theta}$$

$$(i) \quad c \in \mathbb{R} \quad c \in \mathbb{Q} \quad c = \frac{p}{q} \quad p, q \text{ are prime integers}$$

$$ci2n\pi = i \frac{p}{q} n 2\pi$$

if $n = q$



$$= ip2\pi$$

$$\Rightarrow e^{\frac{p}{q}(\ln r + i\theta)} e^{\frac{1}{ip2\pi}}$$

no change in

value

Riemann Surface is q sheeted.

(explains
the periodicity)

$$(ii) \quad c \in \mathbb{R}, \quad c \notin \mathbb{Q}$$

$$ci2n\pi \neq m2\pi$$

\star Riemann surface of z^c is the same as the Riemann surface of $\ln z$

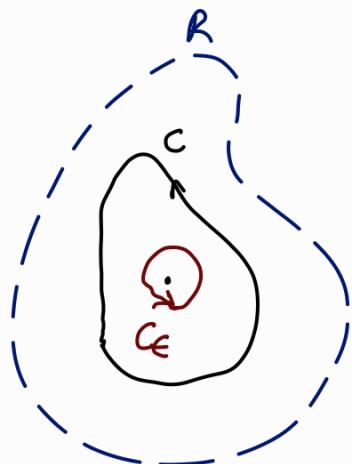
Ex: Let's calculate the principle value of:

$$(i) i = e^{ilni} = e^{i \ln(e^{i\frac{\pi}{2}})}$$

$$i = e^{i\frac{\pi}{2}} = e^{i[\frac{i\pi}{2}]} = e^{-\frac{\pi}{2}}$$

it's real!

Calculus of Residues



Around z_0 we have the Laurent expansion:

$$f(z) = \sum_{n=-N}^{\infty} a_n (z - z_0)^n$$

→ Remember the contour trick!

$$\oint_C dz f(z) = \oint_{C_\epsilon} dz f(z)$$

$f(z)$ analytic on R
except at z_0 where
it has a pole.

C_ϵ : Circle with radius ϵ
center z_0 lying inside
the disk of convergence of
the Laurent expansion.

Write the Laurent Expansion:

$$\oint_{C_\epsilon} dz f(z) = \sum_{n=-N}^{\infty} a_n (z - z_0)^n = \oint_{C_\epsilon} dz a_{-1} (z - z_0)^{-1} + \int_{\epsilon}^R dz \sum_{n=-N}^{-2} a_n (z - z_0)^n$$

$$+ \int_{\epsilon}^R dz \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n (z - z_0)^n$$

↳ See this is an analytic function. (Tay. Exp.)
So, by Cauchy-Goursat thm it's = 0.

From last week:

$$\rightarrow \int_{C_\epsilon} dz (z - z_0)^n = 0 \text{ if } n \neq -1 \\ = 2\pi i \text{ if } n = -1$$

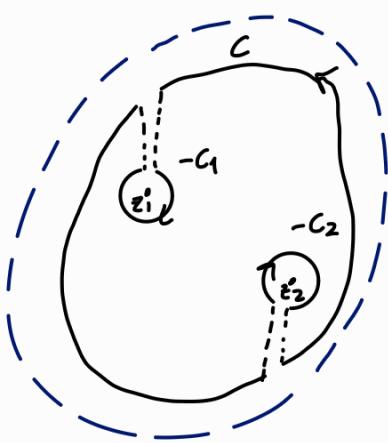
So:

$$\Rightarrow \oint_C dz f(z) = \oint_{C_\epsilon} dz f(z) = 2\pi i a_{-1}$$

Residue of $f(z)$

Now let's have 2 poles

Now I can do the exact calculation for both of them.



$$\oint_C dz f(z) = \int_{C_1} dz f(z) + \int_{C_2} dz f(z)$$

$$= 2\pi i a_{-1, z_1} + 2\pi i a_{-1, z_2}$$

Fundamental Theorem of Calculus of Residues

$$\oint_C dz f(z) = 2\pi i \sum_{k=1}^r a_{-1, z_k}$$

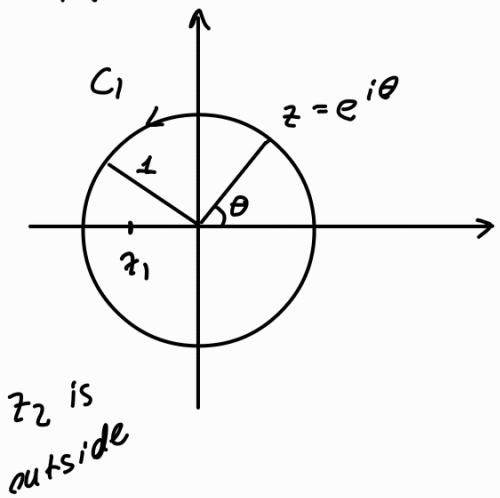
z_1, z_2, \dots, z_r are the poles of $f(z)$ enclosed by C

→ may or may not work
for essential singularities Why?

We don't know if Laurent series is uniformly convergent or not.

Example:

$$|z| < 1$$



$$z = e^{i\theta}$$

$$dz = de^{i\theta} = (id\theta)e^{i\theta} \quad d\theta = -i \frac{dz}{e^{i\theta}} = -i e^{-i\theta} dz$$

$$= -i \frac{1}{z} dz$$

$$\cos \theta = \frac{e^{i\theta} + e^{-i\theta}}{2} = \frac{z + \frac{1}{z}}{2}$$

$$I = \int_0^{2\pi} d\theta \frac{1}{1+\epsilon \cos\theta} = \oint_{C_1} dz \frac{-i}{z} \frac{1}{1+\epsilon \left(\frac{z+1}{2}\right)} = \oint_{C_1} dz \frac{-i}{\frac{\epsilon}{2} z^2 + z + \frac{\epsilon}{2}}$$

↓ Exercise: To check, start from here and go back.

$$= \oint_{C_1} dz \frac{-i}{\frac{\epsilon}{2} (z-z_1)(z-z_2)}$$

z_1 & z_2 are the roots of:

$$az^2 + bz + c = a(z-z_1)(z-z_2)$$

$$\frac{\epsilon}{2} z^2 + z + \frac{\epsilon}{2} = 0$$

$$z_{1,2} = \frac{-1 \pm \sqrt{1-\epsilon^2}}{\epsilon} = -\frac{1}{\epsilon} \pm \frac{\sqrt{1-\epsilon^2}}{\epsilon}$$

$$z_2 = -\frac{1}{\epsilon} - \frac{\sqrt{1-\epsilon^2}}{\epsilon} < -1$$

or

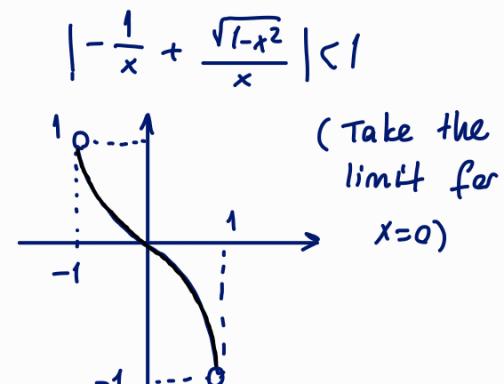
$$z_2 > 1$$

in either case it is outside the circle.

$$z_1 = -\frac{1}{\epsilon} + \frac{\sqrt{1-\epsilon^2}}{\epsilon}$$

z_1 is inside the circle.
 $|z_1| < 1$ for $|\epsilon| < 1$

Therefore we are only interested in z_1 .



Practical Way of Getting the Residues

Suppose: $f(z) = \frac{a_{-1}}{z-z_0} + \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n (z-z_0)^n = \frac{a_{-1}}{z-z_0} + a_0 + a_1(z-z_0) + \dots$

$$(z-z_0) f(z) = a_{-1} + a_0(z-z_0) + a_1(z-z_0)^2 + \dots$$

Take the limit:

$$\lim_{z \rightarrow z_0} (z-z_0) f(z) = a_{-1, z_0}$$

Partial function of $\oint_{C_1} dz \frac{-i}{\frac{\epsilon}{2}(z-z_1)(z-z_2)} \sim \frac{A}{z-z_1} + \frac{B}{z-z_2}$

$$a_{-1, z_1} = \lim_{z \rightarrow z_1} (z-z_1) \frac{-i \frac{2}{\epsilon}}{(z-z_1)(z-z_2)} = -i \frac{2}{\epsilon} \frac{1}{z_1-z_2}$$

$$= \frac{-i}{\sqrt{1-\epsilon^2}}$$

$$z_{1,2} = -\frac{1}{\epsilon} \pm \frac{\sqrt{1-\epsilon^2}}{\epsilon}$$

So:

$$\oint_{C_1} dz \frac{-i}{\frac{\epsilon}{2}(z-z_1)(z-z_2)} = 2\pi i \frac{-i}{\sqrt{1-\epsilon^2}} = \frac{2\pi}{\sqrt{1-\epsilon^2}}$$

$$\lim_{z \rightarrow z_0} (z-z_0) f(z) = a_{-1, z_0}$$

Let's say ...

$$f(z) = \frac{a_{-2}}{(z-z_0)^2} + \frac{a_{-1}}{(z-z_0)} + a_0 + (z-z_0)a_1 + \dots$$

$$(z-z_0)^2 f(z) = a_{-2} + (z-z_0) a_{-1} + \dots$$

Laurent expansion with one term
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We don't consider z_2 .
Can Taylor expand (+) powers

$$\frac{d}{dz} (z-z_0)^2 f(z) = a_{-1} + 2(z-z_0)a_0 + 3(z-z_0)^2 a_1 + \dots$$

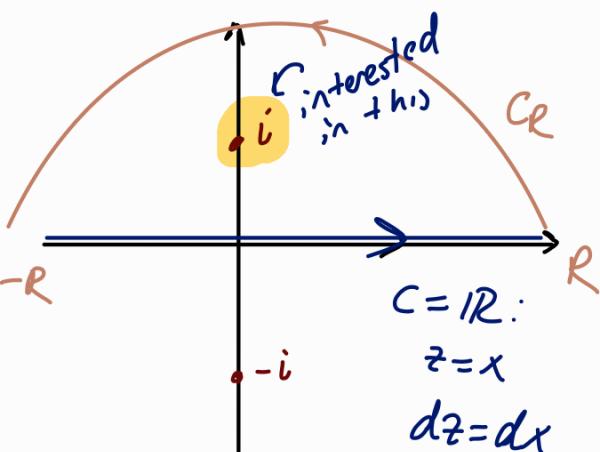
Therefore I can write:

$$\lim_{z \rightarrow z_0} \frac{d}{dz} [(z-z_0)^2 f(z)] = a_{-1}, z_0$$

- EXERCISE:**
- What if pole is of 3rd order.
 - What is the general case?

(from Arken)

Ex: $\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} dx \frac{1}{x^2+1} = \int_C dz \frac{f(z)}{1+z^2}$ (Again, you can go backward)



C_R = semi-circle of radius R , center 0.

C is an open contour. Now what?:

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} dx \frac{1}{x^2+1} &= \lim_{R \rightarrow \infty} \int_{-R}^R dx \frac{1}{x^2+1} \\ &= \int_C dz \frac{1}{(z+i)(z-i)} \end{aligned}$$

EXERCISE:

You can repeat this calculation with the lower circle

$$C_T = C \cup C_R$$

close

$$\int_{C_T} dz f(z) = \underbrace{\int_C dz f(z)}_{2\pi i \frac{1}{2i}} + \underbrace{\int_{C_R} dz f(z)}_{\frac{?}{\pi}}$$

$$a_{-1,i} = \lim_{z \rightarrow i} (z-i) \frac{1}{(z-1)(z+i)}$$

- We will show that:

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

on C_R : $f(z) = \frac{1}{z^2 + 1} = \frac{1}{R^2 e^{2i\theta} + 1}$

$$z = Re^{i\theta} \quad (0 \leq \theta \leq \pi)$$

We had triangle inequality: $|z_1 - z_2| \leq |z_1 + z_2| \leq |z_1| + |z_2|$
 exercise:
 Try to get this

$$\begin{aligned} \left| \int_{C_R} dz f(z) \right| &\leq \left| \int_0^\pi R \cdot e^{i\theta} d\theta \frac{1}{R^2 e^{2i\theta} + 1} \right| \\ &\leq \int_0^\pi d\theta \left| R \cdot e^{i\theta} \frac{1}{R^2 e^{2i\theta} + 1} \right| \\ (\star) &= \int_0^\pi d\theta R \cdot 1 \cdot 1 \cdot \frac{1}{|R^2 e^{2i\theta} + 1|} \end{aligned}$$

So: $R^2 - 1 \leq |R^2 e^{2i\theta} + 1|$
 /
 very large

Therefore $\frac{1}{|R^2 e^{2i\theta} + 1|} \leq \frac{1}{R^2 - 1} + \dots$

$$(\times) \leq \int_0^\pi d\theta \frac{R}{R^2 - 1} = \pi \frac{R}{R^2 - 1}$$

So:

$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} dx \frac{1}{1+x^2} = \pi$$

I add an extra contour, apply calculus of residues, then show the extra has no contribution at all.