

Residues

If $f(z)$ has a simple pole at a (a pole of multiplicity 1) then

$$Res_a(f) = \lim_{z \rightarrow a} (z - a)f(z)$$

More generally, suppose that $f(z)$ has a pole of multiplicity $m \geq 1$. Then

$$Res_a(f) = \lim_{z \rightarrow a} \left\{ \frac{1}{(m-1)!} \left(\frac{d}{dz} \right)^{m-1} (z - a)^m f(z) \right\}$$