Complex Analysis: Day 23

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Residues

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

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

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

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