

Recap 1: Cauchy and Integrals

- Analytic function $f(z) = u(x, y) + iv(x, y)$ must have

$$\frac{\partial u}{\partial x} = \frac{\partial v}{\partial y}$$

$$\frac{\partial u}{\partial y} = -\frac{\partial v}{\partial x}$$

Cauchy-Riemann conditions

- Then

$$\oint_C f(z) dz = 0$$

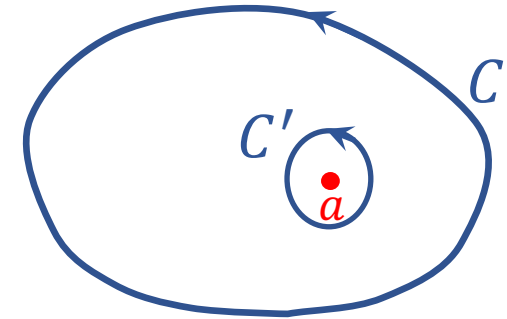
Cauchy's theorem

and

$$I = \oint_C \frac{dz}{z-a} = \begin{cases} 2\pi i, & a \text{ lies within } C \\ 0, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

$$f(a) = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \oint_C \frac{f(z) dz}{z-a}$$

Cauchy integral formula



Recap 2: Series Expansions

- Taylor series

$$f(z) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} c_n (z - a)^n$$

$$f(z) \text{ analytic for } |z - a| < R$$

expect a singularity at some point z with $|z - a| = R$

e.g. $f(z) = \frac{1}{z-1}$

Radius of convergence of the Taylor series expansion about $z = 0$ is $R = 1$.

- Laurent series

$$f(z) = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} c_n (z - a)^n$$

$$f(z) \text{ analytic for } R_1 < |z - a| < R_2$$

expect singularities at points z with $|z - a| = R_1$

and $|z - a| = R_2$

e.g. $f(z) = \frac{1}{(z-1)(z-3i)}$

Radii of convergence of the Laurent series expansion about $z = 0$ are $R_1 = 1, R_2 = 3$.

Construction of Laurent Series

- Several techniques for constructing series
 1. Binomial theorem: Taylor series for $|z - a| < R_1$
Principal Laurent for $|z - a| > R_2$
Full Laurent for $R_1 < |z - a| < R_2$

Can always write $\frac{1}{(z-a)(z-b)} = \frac{A}{z-a} + \frac{B}{z-b}$ if $a \neq b$
 2. If $a = b$, write $\frac{1}{(z-a)^2} = -\frac{d}{dz} \left(\frac{1}{z-a} \right)$

expand $\left(\frac{1}{z-a} \right)$ as a Taylor/Laurent series, then differentiate

(OK because of the Weierstrass theorem – uniform convergence)
 3. Also can integrate a known expression, e.g. $f(z) = \log_e(1 + z)$

— write $\frac{df}{dz} = \frac{1}{1+z}$, expand and integrate.

Types of Singularity

- A singularity is any place where a function f is not analytic.
- Our applications and interests point us to a very specific type.
- Suppose $f(z)$ is analytic everywhere in some small region surrounding $z = a$, except at $z = a$

\Rightarrow f has an isolated singularity at a

- If $f(z)$ is bounded as $z \rightarrow a$, $|f| < B < \infty$, then $\lim_{z \rightarrow a} f(z)$ exists, so we can define $f(a)$ as this limit, and then $f(z)$ is analytic at $z = a$

removable singularity

e.g. $f(z) = \frac{\sin z}{z}$

- Otherwise, $|f| \rightarrow \infty$ “uniformly” as $z \rightarrow a$ ($|f| > \text{any } M$ for $|z - a| < \text{some } \varepsilon$)

singularity is a pole

e.g. $f(z) = \frac{1}{z}, \frac{1}{\sin z}$

Zeros of Functions

- Taylor series: $f(z) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} c_n (z-a)^n$
- If $c_0 = 0, c_1 \neq 0$, then $f(z) \sim z-a$ near $z=a$ — simple zero
- if $c_0 = c_1 = 0, c_2 \neq 0$, then $f(z) \sim (z-a)^2$ near $z=a$ — zero of order 2
- if $c_0 = c_1 = \dots = c_{m-1} = 0, c_m \neq 0$, then $z=a$ is a zero of order m
- Order of a zero is lowest m for which $\lim_{z \rightarrow a} \frac{f(z)}{(z-a)^m} \neq 0$.

Zeros and Poles

- Similarly, if the Laurent series for f

$$f(z) = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} c_n (z - a)^n$$

has $c_n = 0$ for $n < -m$, then f has a pole of order m at $z = a$.

- Order of a pole is lowest m for which $|\lim_{z \rightarrow a} (z - a)^m f(z)| \neq \infty$.
- Loosely, “a pole of order m is the reciprocal of a zero of order m .”

e.g. $f(z) = \operatorname{cosec} z = \frac{1}{\sin z} = \frac{1}{z} + \frac{1}{6}z + \frac{7}{360}z^3 + \dots$

pole of order 1
simple pole

Other Singularities

- Possible that $f(z)$ is neither bounded nor uniformly bounded as $z \rightarrow a$.

$$\text{e.g. } e^{1/z} = 1 + \frac{1}{z} + \frac{1}{2z^2} + \frac{1}{6z^3} + \cdots, \text{ so } c_n \neq 0, n \rightarrow -\infty$$

Wild oscillations as $z \rightarrow 0$, and values taken depend on path.

Can show (Picard's theorem) that $f(z)$ takes on all ("almost all") values in \mathbb{C} infinitely many times in any small region containing a as $z \rightarrow a$.

essential singularity

- Other singularities (non-isolated)
 1. branch point and branch cut
 2. accumulation point of isolated singularities

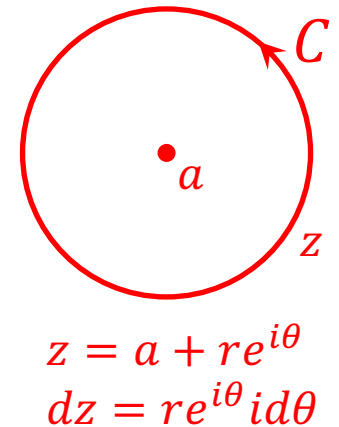
$$\text{e.g. } \operatorname{cosec} \frac{1}{z} \text{ as } z \rightarrow 0.$$

- Often of great interest to mathematicians
- Don't turn up often in "our" applications

The Residue Theorem

- The point!
- Our primary interest is in poles (regular functions divided by polynomials).
- Recall

$$\oint_C \frac{dz}{(z-a)^n} = \int_0^{2\pi} \frac{re^{i\theta} i d\theta}{r^n e^{in\theta}} = \frac{i}{r^{n-1}} \int_0^{2\pi} e^{i(1-n)\theta} i d\theta$$
$$= \begin{cases} 0, & n \neq 1 \\ 2\pi i, & n = 1 \end{cases}$$



- Then if $f(z) = \sum_{n=-m}^{\infty} c_n (z-a)^n$, substitute in and find that

$$\oint_C f(z) dz = 2\pi i c_{-1}$$

1. Integral along C depends on behavior of function away from C
2. Integral doesn't depend on the most singular part of the function, but on the least singular part of its Laurent expansion.

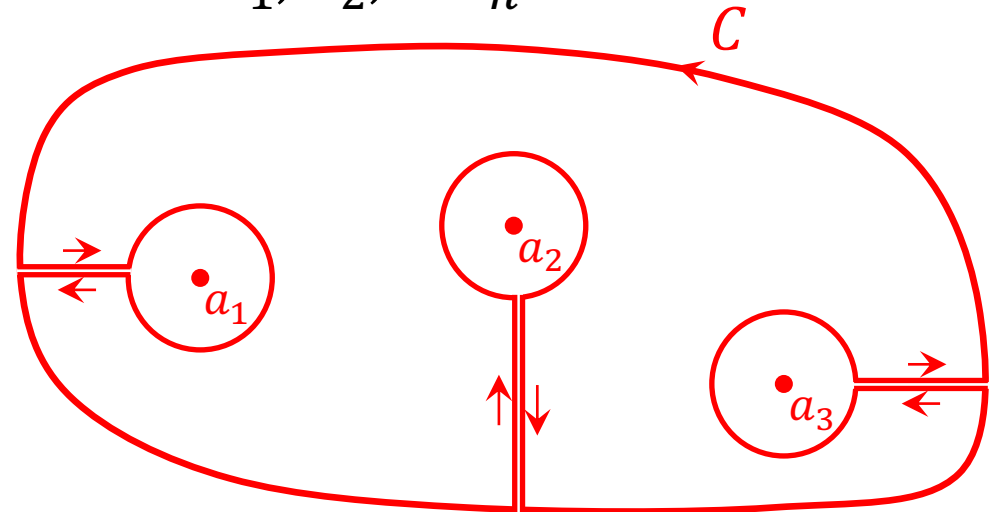
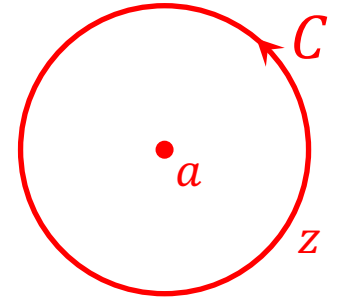
The Residue Theorem

- Turn all this into a formal statement of the theorem:
- Define residue of f at a ,

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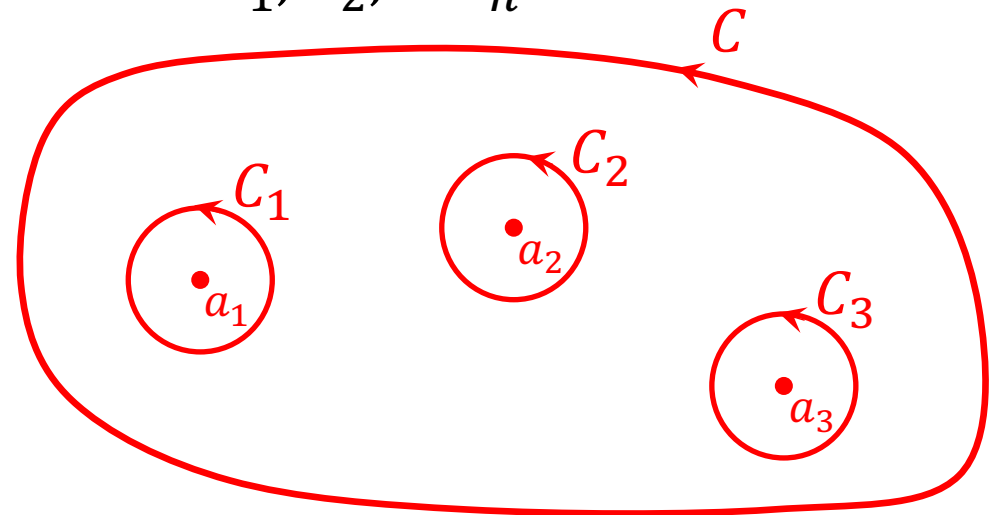
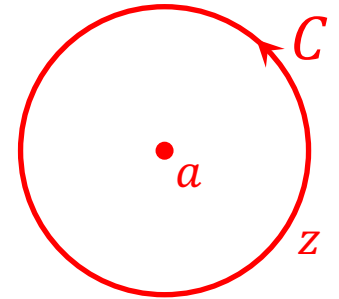
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$$\oint_C f(z) dz = 2\pi i \sum_{k=1}^n \text{Res } f(a_k)$$

- Again,
integral is determined by the least
singular behavior of f at poles away
from C



Computation of Residues

- Integral of a function around a contour boils down to locating its poles inside the contour and computing the residues at each.

- Formal expressions:

for a simple pole at $z = a$, $\text{Res } f(a) = \lim_{z \rightarrow a} (z - a)f(z)$

for a pole of order m at $z = a$, $\text{Res } f(a) = \frac{1}{(m-1)!} \lim_{z \rightarrow a} \frac{d^{m-1}}{dx^{m-1}} [(z - a)^m f(z)]$

— follows from definition of residue in terms of Laurent series

— basically, getting rid of leading terms to expose c_{-1}

e.g. $f(z) = e^z/z^4$, $m = 4$, $\text{Res } f(0) = \frac{1}{3!} \lim_{z \rightarrow 0} \frac{d^3}{dx^3} [e^z] = \frac{1}{6}$

- Simple pole, with $f(z) = \frac{\phi(z)}{\psi(z)}$, $\phi(a) \neq 0$, $\psi(a) = 0 \Rightarrow \text{Res } f(a) = \frac{\phi(a)}{\psi'(a)}$
- But usually, just expanding out the Laurent series is the best way to get there!

Computation of Residues

- Examples

1. $f(z) = e^z / z^4 = \frac{1}{z^4} \left(1 + z + \frac{z^2}{2} + \frac{z^3}{6} + \dots \right) = \frac{1}{z^4} + \frac{1}{z^3} + \frac{1}{2z^2} + \frac{1}{6z} + \dots$
residue is $\frac{1}{6}$

2. $f(z) = \sin z / z^4 = \frac{1}{z^4} \left(z - \frac{z^3}{6} + \frac{z^5}{120} \dots \right) = \frac{1}{z^3} - \frac{1}{6z} + \frac{z}{120} \dots$
residue is $-\frac{1}{6}$

3. $f(z) = \cos z / z^4 = \frac{1}{z^4} \left(1 - \frac{z^2}{2} + \frac{z^4}{24} \dots \right) = \frac{1}{z^4} - \frac{1}{2z^2} + \frac{1}{24} \dots$
residue is 0

4. $f(z) = \cos z / z^3 = \frac{1}{z^3} \left(1 - \frac{z^2}{2} + \frac{z^4}{24} \dots \right) = \frac{1}{z^3} - \frac{1}{2z} + \frac{z}{24} \dots$
residue is $-\frac{1}{2}$

Applications of the Residue Theorem

1. Real integral

$$I = \int_0^{2\pi} \frac{d\theta}{1 - 2p \cos \theta + p^2} \quad (|p| \neq 1)$$

Turns up quite frequently
in optics, transforms, ...

Standard “trick”: convert to a contour integral by writing

$$z = e^{i\theta}, \quad dz = ie^{i\theta} d\theta = iz d\theta, \quad \text{so } d\theta = dz/iz$$

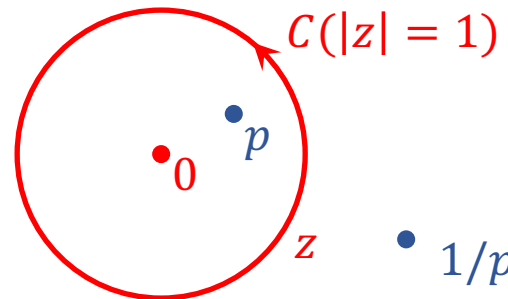
$$\cos \theta = (e^{i\theta} + e^{-i\theta})/2 = \frac{1}{2} \left(z + \frac{1}{z} \right)$$

$$\Rightarrow I = \oint_C \frac{dz}{iz \left[1 - p \left(z + \frac{1}{z} \right) + p^2 \right]}$$

$$\begin{aligned} & z \left[1 - p \left(z + \frac{1}{z} \right) + p^2 \right] \\ &= z - pz^2 - p + p^2 z \\ &= z - p - pz(z - p) \\ &= (z - p)(1 - pz) \\ &= -p(z - p)(z - 1/p) \end{aligned}$$

Two poles, at $z = p, 1/p$

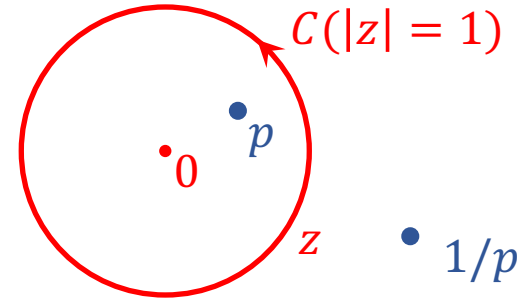
Only one lies inside the
contour.



Applications of the Residue Theorem

1. Integral

$$\begin{aligned} I &= \oint_C \frac{dz}{iz \left[1 - p \left(z + \frac{1}{z} \right) + p^2 \right]} \\ &= \oint_C \frac{dz}{-ip(z-p)(z-1/p)} \end{aligned}$$



- For $|p| < 1$, the residue at $z = p$ is the coefficient of $(z - p)^{-1}$ in the integrand evaluated at $z = p$:

$$\text{Res } f(a) = \frac{1}{-ip(p-1/p)} = \frac{i}{p^2-1} = \frac{-i}{1-p^2}$$

$$\Rightarrow I = 2\pi i \text{ Res } f(a) = \frac{2\pi}{1-p^2}$$

Typical candidate integral is

$$I = \int_0^{2\pi} \frac{P(\cos \theta, \sin \theta) d\theta}{Q(\cos \theta, \sin \theta)},$$

where P and Q are polynomials in $\cos \theta$ and/or $\sin \theta$.

- For $|p| > 1$, the residue at $z = 1/p$ is the coefficient of $(z - 1/p)^{-1}$ in the integrand evaluated at $z = 1/p$:

$$\text{Res } f(a) = \frac{1}{-ip(1/p-p)} = \frac{i}{1-p^2}$$

$$\Rightarrow I = 2\pi i \text{ Res } f(a) = \frac{2\pi}{p^2-1}$$

Applications of the Residue Theorem

2. A well-known integral

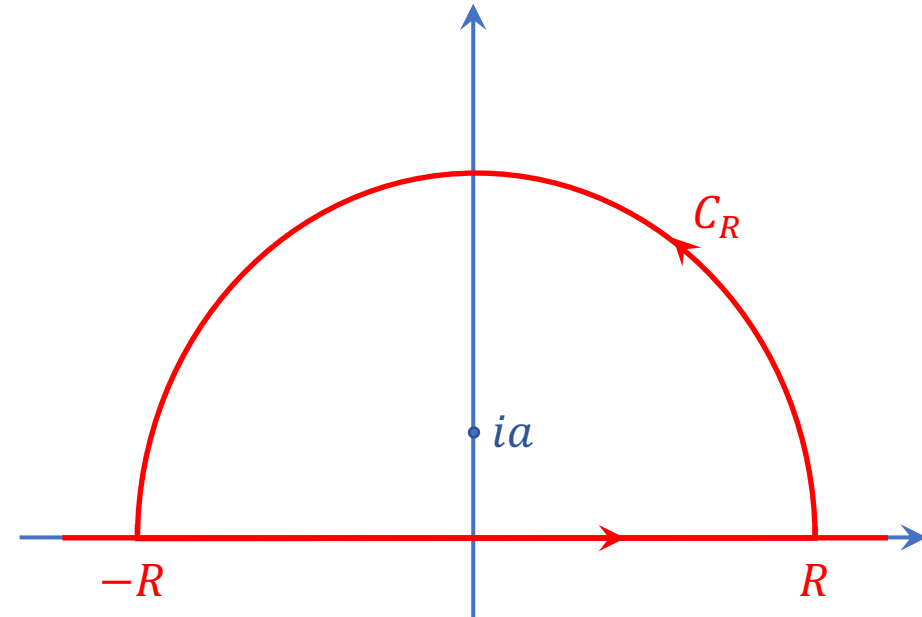
$$I = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{dx}{x^2 + a^2}$$

Easy to show:
 $I = \pi/a$

Integration path is the real axis.

Convert to a closed contour integral as follows:

1. Write as finite integral $\int_{-R}^R f(z)$.
2. Create closed contour C with a large semicircle C_R with $|z| = R > a$.
3. Evaluate using residue theorem
4. Take limit $R \rightarrow \infty$.
5. Demonstrate that the extra integral along the curved contour goes to 0.



Applications of the Residue Theorem

2. Residue theorem

$$\Rightarrow \oint_C \frac{dz}{z^2 + a^2} = I_R + \oint_{C_R} \frac{dz}{z^2 + a^2} = 2\pi i \operatorname{Res}(ia)$$

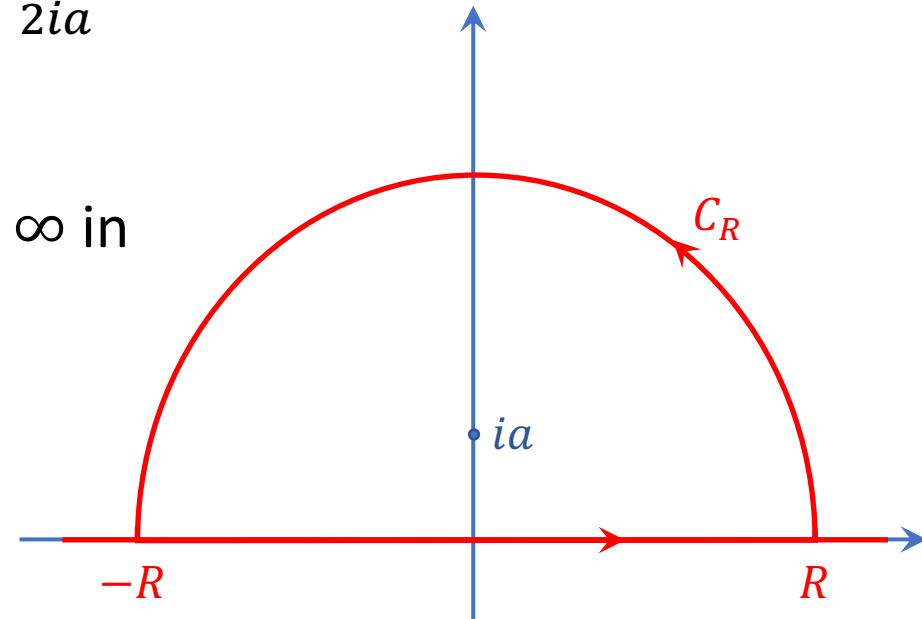
$z^2 + a^2 = (z - ia)(z + ia)$
poles of order 1 at $z = \pm ia$
only ia lies inside C

- Calculate the residue at ia

$$f(z) = \frac{1}{(z - ia)(z + ia)} \Rightarrow \operatorname{Res} f(ia) = \frac{1}{2ia}$$

$$2\pi i \operatorname{Res} f(ia) = \pi/a$$

- Note that $I_R = \int_{-R}^R f(z) dz \rightarrow I$ as $R \rightarrow \infty$ in a very specialized sense
 - Cauchy Principal Value
 - possible for $\int_{-R_1}^{R_2}$ to diverge as R_1 and $R_2 \rightarrow \infty$ separately



Applications of the Residue Theorem

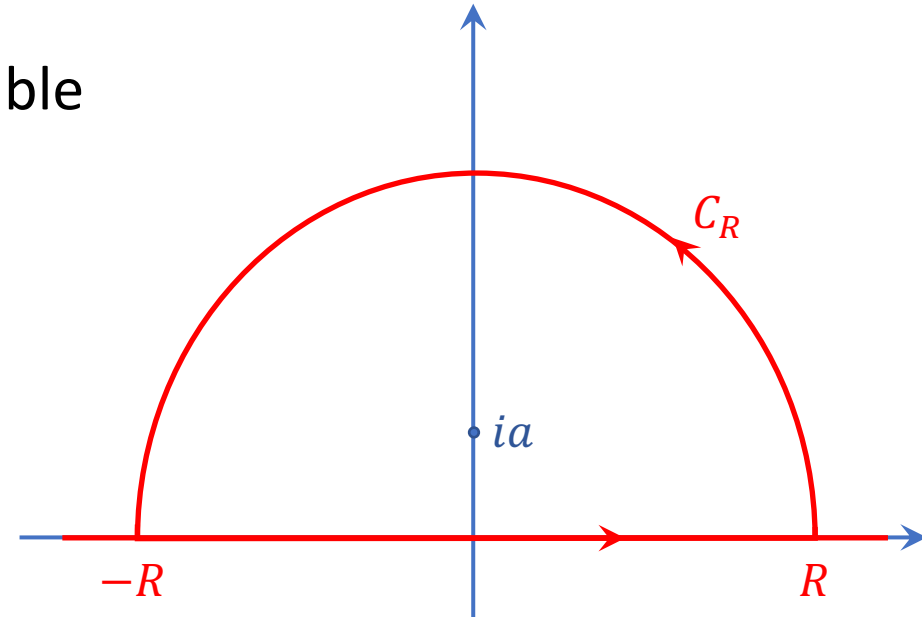
2. Still have to show that

$$\oint_{C_R} \frac{dz}{z^2 + a^2} \rightarrow 0 \text{ as } R \rightarrow \infty$$

- Strategy: place a limit on the integral and show that the limit goes to zero as $R \rightarrow \infty$.
- Important result (straightforwardly provable from the definition of the integral):

$$\left| \int_C f \right| \leq \max_C |f| \cdot L(C)$$

max. value
of $|f|$ on C length
of C



Applications of the Residue Theorem

2. In this case, on C_R , $|f| \sim \frac{1}{R^2}$, so $\max_{C_R} |f| \sim \frac{1}{R^2}$

Clearly, $L(C_R) = \pi R$

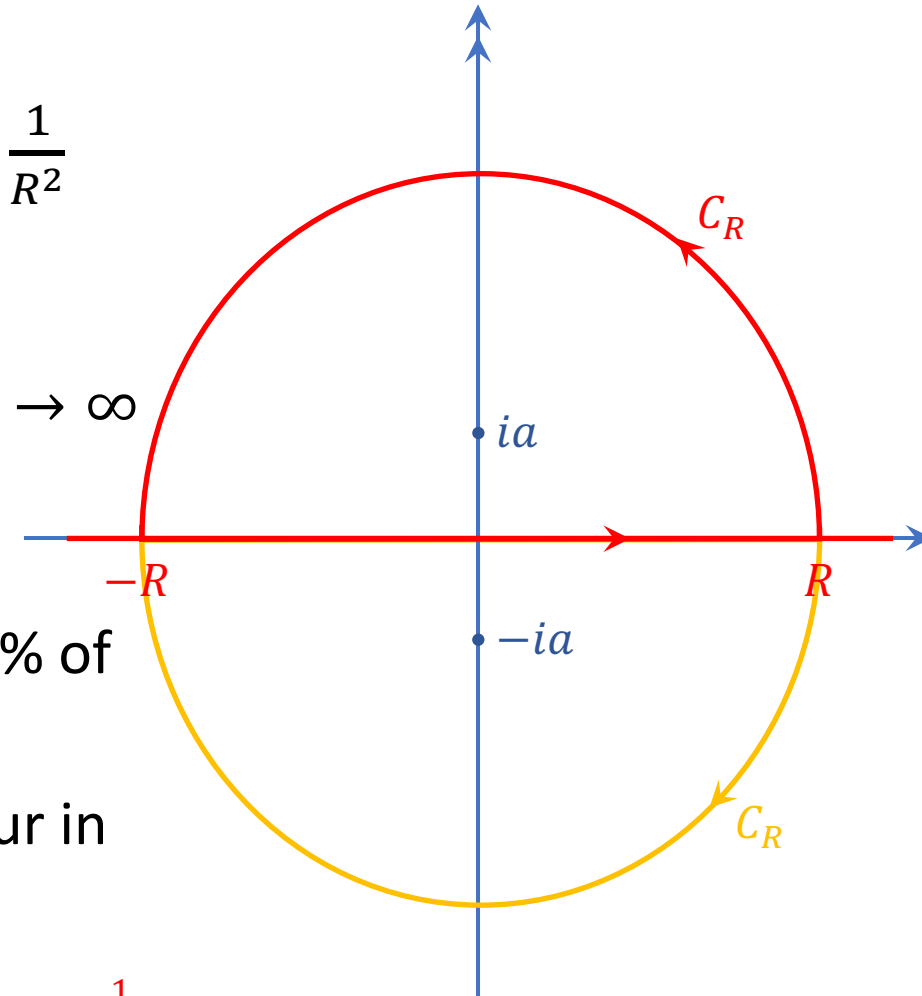
$$\Rightarrow \left| \int_{C_R} f \right| \leq \max_{C_R} |f| L(C) \sim \frac{\pi}{R} \rightarrow 0 \text{ as } R \rightarrow \infty$$

➤ Notes:

- 1) Standard method of solution for >90% of complex integrals.
- 2) What if I close the loop with a contour in the lower half plane?

- pick up residue at $-ia$: $\frac{-1}{2ia}$ $f(z) = \frac{1}{(z-ia)(z+ia)}$
- but clockwise, so $\oint = -2\pi i \operatorname{Res}(-ia)$

Result is unchanged.



Applications of the Residue Theorem

3. Now consider

$$I = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{\cos x \, dx}{x^2 + a^2}$$

Almost a Fourier transform...

This time, just replacing x by z and closing with a large semicircle won't work, because

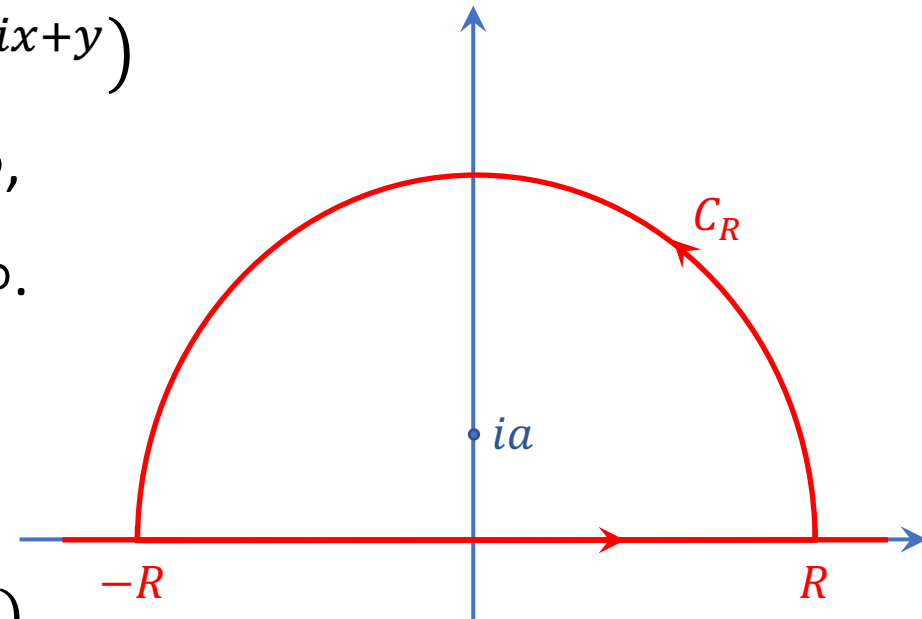
$$\begin{aligned} \cos z &= \frac{1}{2} (e^{iz} + e^{-iz}) = \frac{1}{2} (e^{ix-y} + e^{-ix+y}) \\ &\rightarrow \infty \text{ as } |y| \rightarrow \infty, \end{aligned}$$

so $\left| \int_{C_R} f \right|$ does not go to zero as $R \rightarrow \infty$.

Instead (another standard trick), write

$$\cos x = \operatorname{Re}(e^{ix})$$

and consider $J = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{e^{ix} dx}{x^2 + a^2}$, so $I = \operatorname{Re}(J)$



Applications of the Residue Theorem

3. Now considering

$$J = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{e^{iz} dz}{z^2 + a^2}$$

- Now

$$e^{iz} = e^{ix-y} \rightarrow 0 \text{ as } y \rightarrow +\infty,$$

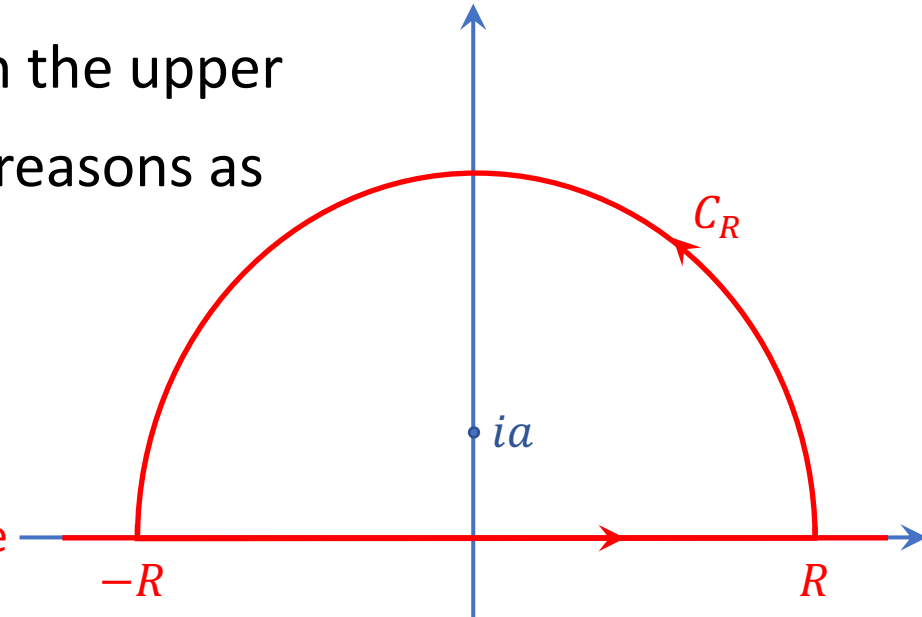
so OK to close with the large semicircle in the upper half plane, and $\left| \int_{C_R} f \right| \rightarrow 0$ for the same reasons as before as $R \rightarrow \infty$.

- Residue at ia is $\frac{e^{-a}}{2ia}$,

$$\text{so } J = 2\pi i \frac{e^{-a}}{2ia} = \frac{\pi}{a} e^{-a}$$

$$I = J = \frac{\pi}{a} e^{-a}$$

Note: J is real because sine is an odd function, so the imaginary part of the integral = 0.



Recall: Solving an Inhomogeneous ODE

- Equation

$$y'' - \lambda^2 y = f(x)$$

Let $Y(k) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} dx \ y(x) e^{-ikx}$

$$F(k) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} dx \ f(x) e^{-ikx}$$

$$\Rightarrow -k^2 Y - \lambda^2 Y = F$$

$$\Rightarrow Y(k) = \frac{-F(k)}{k^2 + \lambda^2}$$

$$\Rightarrow y(x) = \frac{-1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} dk \ \frac{F(k)}{k^2 + \lambda^2} e^{ikx}$$

- Start simple: suppose $f(x) = \delta(x)$, so $F(k) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}}$

Applications of the Residue Theorem

4. Now consider an actual Fourier transform (λ real):

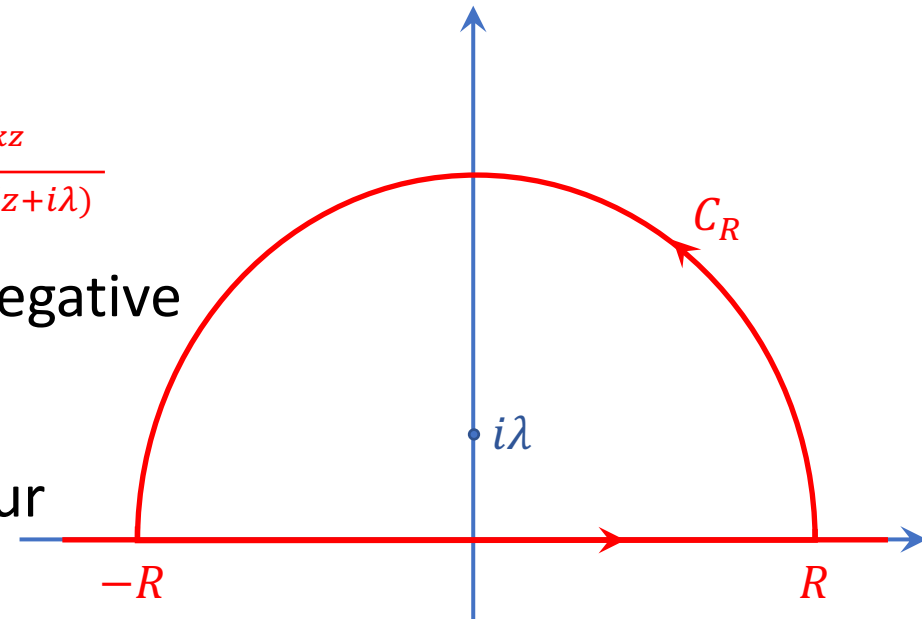
$$I = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{e^{ikx} dx}{x^2 + \lambda^2}$$

➤ If $k > 0$, then the same arguments as before mean that the integrand goes to zero as $y \rightarrow +\infty$, so OK to close with a semicircle in the upper half plane.

➤ As we just saw, $I = \frac{\pi}{\lambda} e^{-k\lambda}$ $f(z) = \frac{e^{ikz}}{(z-i\lambda)(z+i\lambda)}$

➤ If $k < 0$, close with a semicircle in the negative half plane, pick up residue at $-i\lambda$: $-\frac{e^{k\lambda}}{2i\lambda}$ and a negative sign for a clockwise contour

$$\Rightarrow I = \frac{\pi}{\lambda} e^{-|k\lambda|}$$



Applications of the Residue Theorem

5. What if the pole is on the integration path (e.g. finite pulse transform)?

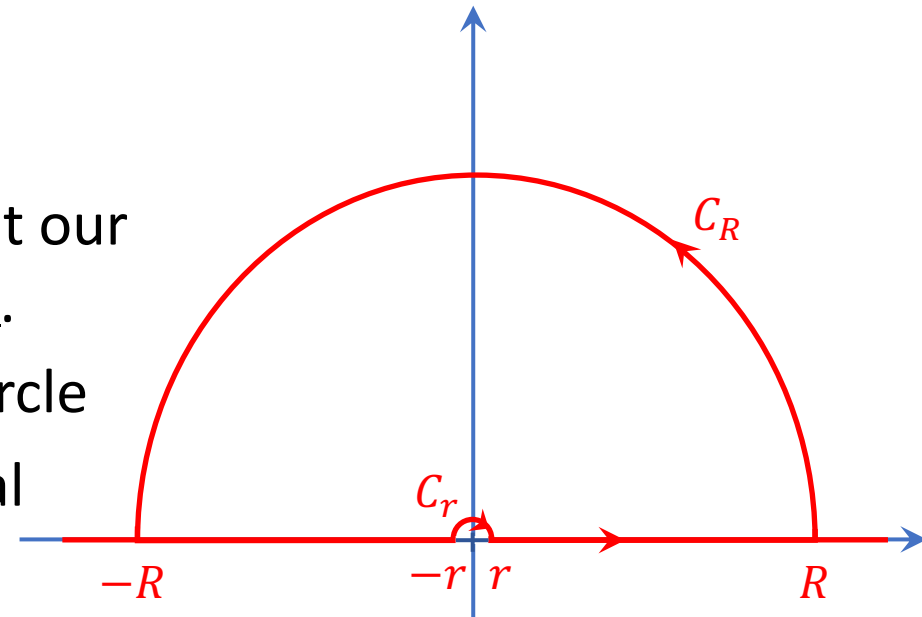
$$I = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{\sin x}{x} dx$$

- Removable singularity at $x = 0$, so the integral is valid, but the behavior of the sine function is such that we can't use our favorite contour.
- Again, look at

$$J = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{e^{iz}}{z} dz, \text{ so } I = \text{Im}(J)$$

Now we can use the upper semicircle, but our removable singularity has become a pole.

- Avoid the pole with another small semicircle
(Note: now we have two Cauchy Principal Value integrals, as $R \rightarrow \infty$, $r \rightarrow 0$)



Applications of the Residue Theorem

5. Now the integrand in the J integral

$$J = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{e^{iz}}{z} dz$$

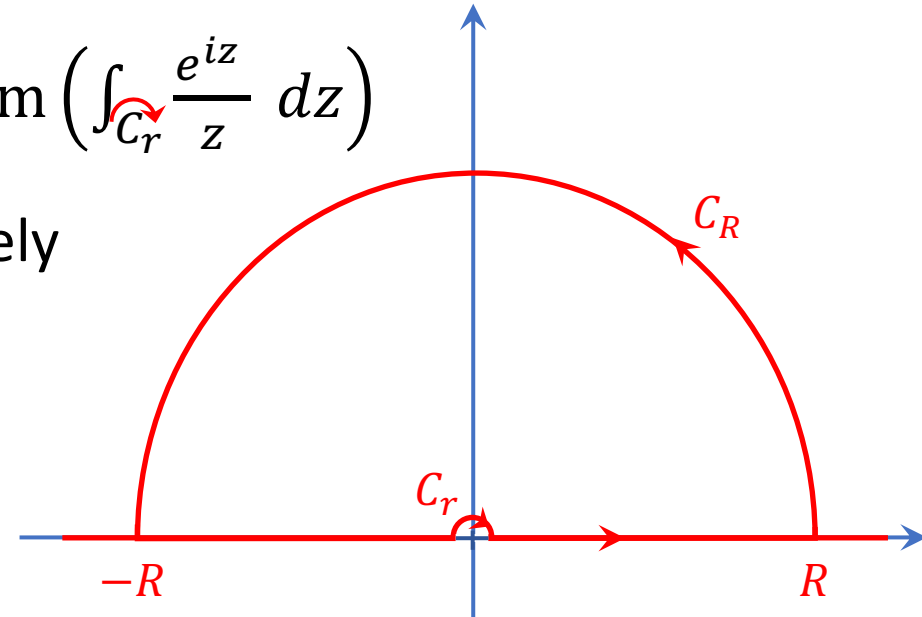
by construction is analytic everywhere inside the closed contour, so

$$\begin{aligned} \operatorname{Im} \left(\oint_C \frac{e^{iz}}{z} dz \right) &= 0 \\ &= I + \operatorname{Im} \left(\int_{C_R} \frac{e^{iz}}{z} dz \right) + \operatorname{Im} \left(\int_{C_r} \frac{e^{iz}}{z} dz \right) \end{aligned}$$

Need to look at the two semicircles separately

1) $\int_{C_R} \frac{e^{iz}}{z} dz$ is not so obviously 0

2) how to handle $\int_{C_r} \frac{e^{iz}}{z} dz$?



Applications of the Residue Theorem

5. Look first at $\int_{C_R} \frac{e^{iz}}{z} dz$

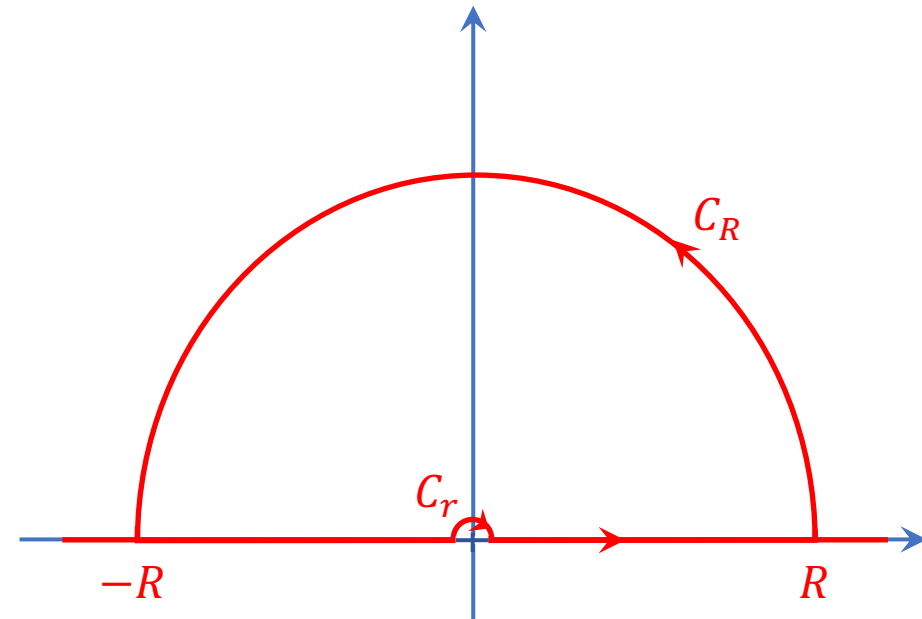
- previous estimate would just say $\left| \int_{C_R} \frac{e^{iz}}{z} dz \right| \leq \frac{\pi R}{R}$, which does not $\rightarrow 0$
- integrate by parts:

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{C_R} \frac{e^{iz}}{z} dz &= \left[\frac{e^{iz}}{iz} \right]_{z=-R}^{z=R} + \int_{C_R} \frac{e^{iz}}{iz^2} dz \\ &\quad \xrightarrow{\text{red}} 0 \quad \quad \quad \xrightarrow{\text{red}} 0, \text{ by earlier argument} \\ &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

Now for $\int_{C_r} \frac{e^{iz}}{z} dz$

- write $e^{iz} = 1 + (e^{iz} - 1)$

$$\begin{aligned} \Rightarrow \int_{C_r} \frac{e^{iz}}{z} dz &= \int_{C_r} \frac{dz}{z} + \int_{C_r} \frac{e^{iz} - 1}{z} dz \\ &= -\pi i \quad \quad \quad \frac{e^{iz} - 1}{z} \approx i \\ &\quad \quad \quad \text{"half a residue"} \end{aligned}$$



Applications of the Residue Theorem

- End result:

$$I = -\operatorname{Im} \left(\lim_{r \rightarrow 0} \int_{C_r} \frac{e^{iz}}{z} dz \right) \\ = \pi$$

