

Isolated Singularity, pole, essential singularity, Branch point

zero's of an analytic function: If $f(z)$ an analytic function is zero i.e. $f(z) = 0$ at a point z_0 in R then z_0 is called a zero of $f(z)$. If $f(z) = 0$ but $f'(z) \neq 0$ then zero is called simple zero.

If $f(z_0) = f'(z_0) = f''(z_0) = \dots = f^{(n-1)}(z_0) = 0, f^{(n)}(z_0) \neq 0$. Then z_0 is called a zero of order n . For ex: $f(z) = e^{-1/z^2} = 0 \Rightarrow z=0$ is a zero of order 2.

Singular Point: A point where $f(z)$ fails to be analytic is called singular point.

Isolated Singularity: If $z = z_0$ is a singularity of $f(z)$ s.t. $f(z)$ is analytic at each point in its neighbourhood, then $z=a$ is called an isolated singularity.

Example (i) $f(z) = \tan z$ has isolated singularity at $\pm \frac{\pi}{2}$

$\pm \frac{3\pi}{2} \dots$ as $\tan z = 0 \Rightarrow \tan z = \tan n\frac{\pi}{2}, n=1, 3, 5, \dots$
(ii) $f(z) = \cot(\pi/z) = 1/\tan(\pi/z) \Rightarrow \frac{\pi}{z} = 4\pi$ or $\Rightarrow z = 1/n (n=1, 2, 3, \dots)$

Thus $z=1, 1/2, 1/3, \dots$ are all isolated singularities as there are no other singularities in their neighbourhood.

Removable singularity: If a single valued function $f(z)$ is not defined at $z=a$ but limit $f(z)$ exist then $z=a$ is called removable singularity. In such cases we define $f(z)$ at $z=a$ as equal to $\lim_{z \rightarrow a} f(z)$. Example: $\lim_{z \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sin z}{z} = 1, z=0$ R.S.

Pole: If in Laurent series expansion of $f(z)$ have only finite number of point given by $f(z) = \frac{a_{-1}}{z-a} + \frac{a_{-2}}{(z-a)^2} + \frac{a_{-3}}{(z-a)^3} + \dots + \frac{a_{-n}}{(z-a)^n}, a_n \neq 0$

Then $z=a$ is called a pole of order n . vis a vis If $f(z)$ has a pole at $z=a \Rightarrow \lim_{z \rightarrow a} f(z) = \infty$

aliter: If we can find a positive integer n such that $\lim_{z \rightarrow z_0} (z-z_0)^n f(z) = A \neq 0$. Then $z = z_0$ is called a pole. If $n=1, z_0$ is called simple pole.

Example: (i) $f(z) = \frac{1}{(z-2)^3}$ has a pole of order 3 at $z=2$

(ii) $f(z) = \frac{\cot \pi z}{(z-a)^2} \Rightarrow \sin \pi z \cdot (z-a)^2 = 0 \Rightarrow$ either $\sin \pi z = 0$

or $(z-a)^2 = 0 \Rightarrow z=a$ is a pole of order 2. and $\sin \pi z = 0 \Rightarrow z=n \Rightarrow z=\infty$ is limit point of these poles so $z=\infty$ is essential singularity.

Essential Singularity: A singularity which is not a pole or removable singularity. In $f(z)$ principal part of Laurent expansion has infinite terms.

Ex: (i) $e^{1/z} = 1 + 1/z + \frac{1}{2!z^2} + \frac{1}{3!z^3} + \dots, z=0$ is essential singularity.
(ii) $e^{1/z-2} \Rightarrow z=2$ is essential singularity.

Q: Find Laurent Series about indicated singularity

- (a) $\frac{e^{2z}}{(z-1)^3}, z=1$ (b) $\frac{z-\sin z}{z^3}, z=0$ (c) $(z-3) \sin \frac{1}{z+2}, z=-2$

Ans: (a) let $z-1 = u \Rightarrow u+1 = z$

$$\frac{e^{2(u+1)}}{u^3} = e^2 \frac{e^{2u}}{u^3} = \frac{e^2}{u^3} \left\{ 1 + 2u + \frac{(2u)^2}{2} + \frac{(2u)^3}{6} + \dots \right\}$$

$$= \frac{e^2}{(z-1)^3} + \frac{2e^2}{(z-1)^2} + \frac{2e^2}{(z-1)} + \frac{4e^2}{3} + \frac{2e^2}{3}(z-1) + \dots$$

$\Rightarrow z=1$ is pole of order 3 or triple pole.

(b) $\frac{z-\sin z}{z^3} = \left(\frac{1}{3} - \frac{z^2}{15} + \frac{z^4}{17} - \dots \right) \Rightarrow z=0$ remov. sing.

(c) let $z+2 = u \Rightarrow z = u-2$
 $\Rightarrow (u-5) \sin \frac{1}{u} = (u-5) \left\{ \frac{1}{u} - \frac{1}{6} \frac{1}{u^3} + \frac{1}{120} \frac{1}{u^5} - \dots \right\}$

$$\Rightarrow 1 - \frac{5}{z+2} - \frac{1}{6(z+2)^2} + \frac{5}{6(z+2)^3} + \dots$$

$z=-2$ is an essential singularity.

Branch Point: A point $z=z_0$ is called a branch point of multiple valued function $f(z)$ if branches of $f(z)$ are interchanged when z described a closed path about z_0 . Ex: $(z-3)^{1/3} = f(z), z=3$ branchpoint

Evaluate $\int_C \frac{z-3}{z^2+2z+5} dz$ where C is the circle

- (i) $|z|=1$ (ii) $|z+1-i|=2$ (iii) $|z+1+i|=2$

Answer: $z^2+2z+5=0 \Rightarrow z = \frac{-2 \pm \sqrt{4-20}}{2} = -1 \pm 2i$

(i) Both poles lie outside the circle $|z|=1$. Therefore using Cauchy theorem $\int f(z) dz = 0$.

(ii) Here only one pole $z = -1 + 2i$ lie inside the circle $C: |z+1-i|=2$. Therefore $f(z)$ is analytic within C except at this pole.

$$\therefore \text{Res } f(-1+2i) = \lim_{z \rightarrow -1+2i} \frac{(z-3)(z+1-2i)}{(z+1-2i)(z+1+2i)} = \frac{-4+2i}{4i}$$

$$= i + 1/2 \text{ Ans.}$$

Hence by residue theorem $\int_C f(z) dz = 2\pi i \left\{ \text{Res } f(-1+2i) \right\} = \pi(2-2)$

(iii) Only $z = -1 - 2i$ lies inside circle $C: |z+1+i|=2$. Therefore

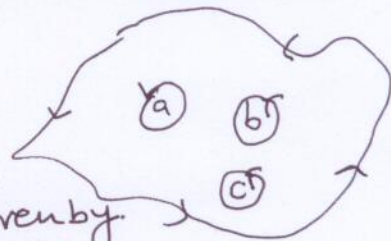
$$\text{Res } f(-1-2i) = \lim_{z \rightarrow -1-2i} \frac{(z+1+2i)(z-3)}{z^2+2z+5} = \lim_{z \rightarrow -1-2i} \frac{z-3}{z+1-2i} = \frac{4}{2} - i$$

$$\int_C f(z) dz = 2\pi i \text{Res } f(-1-2i) = \pi(2+i) = 2\pi i \left(\frac{1}{2} - i \right)$$

Residue Theorem

Residue Theorem: If $f(z)$ is analytic single valued function inside and on a simple closed curve C except at a finite number of points a, b, c inside C at which the residues are a_1, b_1, c_1, \dots respectively, then

$$\oint_C f(z) dz = 2\pi i (a_1 + b_1 + c_1 + \dots)$$



Calculation of Residues:

(a) If $z=a$ is a simple pole then Laurent series expansion of $f(z)$ around pole is given by
 $f(z) = c_0 + c_1(z-a) + \dots + a_1(z-a)^{-1}$
 Multiplying with $(z-a)$ and taking limit as $(z-a)$ we get

$$a_1 = \text{Res } f(z) \Big|_{z=a} = \lim_{z \rightarrow a} \{ (z-a) f(z) \} \rightarrow \text{Formula}$$

(b) Similarly if $z=a$ is pole of order m then

$$a_1 = \frac{1}{(m-1)!} \lim_{z \rightarrow a} \frac{d^{m-1}}{dz^{m-1}} \{ (z-a)^m f(z) \}.$$

Example: Find Residue of $f(z) = z / \{ (z-1)(z+1)^2 \}$.

Answer Res at $z=1$, $a_1 = \lim_{z \rightarrow 1} \{ (z-1) \cdot z / (z-1)(z+1)^2 \} = 1/4$.

Res $z=-1$, $a_{-1} = \lim_{z \rightarrow -1} \frac{1}{(2-1)!} \frac{d}{dz} \{ (z-(-1))^2 z / (z-1)(z+1)^2 \} = \frac{1}{1} \frac{d}{dz} \left\{ \frac{z}{z-1} \right\} = \frac{1}{4}$.

Example: Find the residue of $f(z) = (z^2 - 2z) / (z+1)^2 (z^2 + 4)$.

Ans: Residue at $z=-1$ is given by

$$\lim_{z \rightarrow -1} \frac{1}{1!} \frac{d}{dz} \left\{ \frac{(z+1)^2 (z^2 - 2z)}{(z+1)^2 (z^2 + 4)} \right\} = \lim_{z \rightarrow -1} \left\{ \frac{(z^2 + 4)(2z - 2) - (z^2 - 2z)(2z)}{(z^2 + 4)^2} \right\} = \frac{-14}{25}$$

(ii) Residue at $z=2i$ is given by

$$\lim_{z \rightarrow 2i} \left\{ \frac{(z-2i)(z^2 - 2z)}{(z+1)^2 (z-2i)(z+2i)} \right\} = \frac{-4 - 4i}{(2i+1)^2 (4i)} = \frac{7+i}{25}$$

(iii) Residue at $z=-2i$ is given by

$$\lim_{z \rightarrow -2i} \left\{ \frac{(z+2i)(z^2 - 2z)}{(z+1)^2 (z-2i)(z+2i)} \right\} = \frac{-4 + 4i}{(-2i+1)^2 (-4i)} = \frac{7+i}{25}$$

Example Find the residue $f(z) = e^z / \sin^2 z$ at all poles.

Answer: $f(z)$ has double poles at $z = m\pi, m=0, \pm 1, \pm 2, \dots$.

$$\lim_{z \rightarrow m\pi} \frac{1}{1!} \frac{d}{dz} \left\{ \frac{(z-m\pi)^2 e^z}{\sin^2 z} \right\} = \lim_{z \rightarrow m\pi} \left\{ \frac{\sin^2 z (e^z (z-m\pi)^2 + e^z \cdot 2(z-m\pi)) - 2(z-m\pi)^2 e^z \sin z \cdot \cos z}{\sin^2 z \cdot \sin^2 z} \right\}$$

$$= \lim_{z \rightarrow m\pi} e^z \left[(z-m\pi)^2 \sin z + 2(z-m\pi) \sin z - 2(z-m\pi)^2 \cos z \right] / \sin^3 z$$

Put $z - m\pi = u$

$$= e^{m\pi} \lim_{u \rightarrow 0} \frac{e^u [u^2 \sin u + 2u \sin u - 2u^2 \cos u]}{u^3} \left(\frac{u^3}{\sin^3 u} \right)$$

$$= e^{m\pi} \left\{ \lim_{u \rightarrow 0} \left(\frac{e^4 \sin u}{u} + \left(\frac{2e^4 \sin u}{u^2} - \frac{2e^4 \cos u}{u} \right) \right) \cdot 1 \right\} = e^{m\pi}$$

Ans.

Q1 Application Evaluate $\int_C \frac{\sin \pi z^2 + \cos \pi z^2}{(z-1)^2 (z-2)} dz$ where C is the circle $|z|=3$

Answer: $f(z)$ is analytic within the circle except $z=1$ which is double pole and $z=2$ simple pole.

$$(i) \text{ Residue } f(1) = \frac{1}{1!} \left[\frac{d}{dz} \frac{(z-1)^2 (\sin \pi z^2 + \cos \pi z^2)}{(z-1)^2 (z-2)} \right]_{z=1}$$

$$= \left[\frac{(z-2) \{ 2\pi z \cos \pi z^2 - 2\pi z \sin \pi z^2 \} - (\sin \pi z^2 + \cos \pi z^2)}{(z-2)^2} \right]_{z=1}$$

$$= 2\pi + 1$$

$$(ii) \text{ Res } f(2) = \lim_{z \rightarrow 2} \{ (z-2) f(z) \} = \lim_{z \rightarrow 2} \left\{ \frac{\sin \pi z^2 + \cos \pi z^2}{(z-1)^2} \right\}$$

= 1

By residue theorem

$$\int_C f(z) dz = 2\pi i \{ \text{Res } f(1) + \text{Res } f(2) \} = 2\pi i \{ 2\pi + 1 + 1 \} \text{ Ans.}$$

Q2 Evaluate $\int_0^{2\pi} \frac{\cos 3\theta}{5-4\cos\theta} d\theta$, let $z = e^{i\theta}$, $d\theta = \frac{dz}{iz}$, $\cos\theta = \frac{1}{2}(z + \frac{1}{z})$

$$\text{Ans } \cos 3\theta = \frac{1}{2} (e^{3i\theta} + e^{-3i\theta}) = \frac{1}{2} (z^3 + \frac{1}{z^3})$$

$$I = \int_C \frac{\frac{1}{2} (z^3 + \frac{1}{z^3})}{5-2(z + \frac{1}{z})} \frac{dz}{iz} = -\frac{1}{2i} \int_C \frac{z^6 + 1}{z^3(2z-1)(z-2)} dz$$

$$= -\frac{1}{2i} \int_C f(z) dz \text{ where } C \text{ is unit circle } |z|=1, \text{ only } z=0 \text{ \& } z=\frac{1}{2} \text{ lie inside circle}$$

$$\text{Res } f(1/2) = \lim_{z \rightarrow 1/2} \left\{ \frac{z^6 + 1}{2z^3(z-2)} \right\} = -65/42$$

$$\text{Res } f(0) = \frac{1}{n-1} \frac{d^{n-1}}{dz^{n-1}} [(z-0)^n f(z)]_{z=0} \text{ where } n=3$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \frac{d^2}{dz^2} \left\{ \frac{(z^6 + 1)}{(2z^2 - 5z + 2)} \right\}_{z=0}$$

$$= 21/8$$

$$I = -\frac{1}{2i} \{ (\text{Res}(1/2) + \text{Res}(0)) \times 2\pi i \}$$

$$= \pi/12 \text{ Ans}$$

Contour Integration