

EXAMPLE. In the example in Sec. 70, we evaluated the integral of

$$f(z) = \frac{5z - 2}{z(z - 1)}$$

around the circle $|z| = 2$, described counterclockwise, by finding the residues of $f(z)$ at $z = 0$ and $z = 1$. Since

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{1}{z^2} f\left(\frac{1}{z}\right) &= \frac{5 - 2z}{z(1 - z)} = \frac{5 - 2z}{z} \cdot \frac{1}{1 - z} \\ &= \left(\frac{5}{z} - 2\right)(1 + z + z^2 + \cdots) \\ &= \frac{5}{z} + 3 + 3z + \cdots \quad (0 < |z| < 1), \end{aligned}$$

we see that the theorem here can also be used, where the desired residue is 5. More precisely,

$$\int_C \frac{5z - 2}{z(z - 1)} dz = 2\pi i(5) = 10\pi i,$$

where C is the circle in question. This is, of course, the result obtained in the example in Sec. 70.

EXERCISES

1. Find the residue at $z = 0$ of the function

$$(a) \frac{1}{z + z^2}; \quad (b) z \cos\left(\frac{1}{z}\right); \quad (c) \frac{z - \sin z}{z}; \quad (d) \frac{\cot z}{z^4}; \quad (e) \frac{\sinh z}{z^4(1 - z^2)}.$$

$$\text{Ans. (a) } 1; \quad (b) -1/2; \quad (c) 0; \quad (d) -1/45; \quad (e) 7/6.$$

2. Use Cauchy's residue theorem (Sec. 70) to evaluate the integral of each of these functions around the circle $|z| = 3$ in the positive sense:

$$(a) \frac{\exp(-z)}{z^2}; \quad (b) \frac{\exp(-z)}{(z - 1)^2}; \quad (c) z^2 \exp\left(\frac{1}{z}\right); \quad (d) \frac{z + 1}{z^2 - 2z}.$$

$$\text{Ans. (a) } -2\pi i; \quad (b) -2\pi i/e; \quad (c) \pi i/3; \quad (d) 2\pi i.$$

3. Use the theorem in Sec. 71, involving a single residue, to evaluate the integral of each of these functions around the circle $|z| = 2$ in the positive sense:

$$(a) \frac{z^5}{1 - z^3}; \quad (b) \frac{1}{1 + z^2}; \quad (c) \frac{1}{z}.$$

$$\text{Ans. (a) } -2\pi i; \quad (b) 0; \quad (c) 2\pi i.$$

4. Let C denote the circle $|z| = 1$, taken counterclockwise, and use the following steps to show that

$$\int_C \exp\left(z + \frac{1}{z}\right) dz = 2\pi i \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n!(n+1)!}.$$

(a) By using the Maclaurin series for e^z and referring to Theorem 1 in Sec. 65, which justifies the term by term integration that is to be used, write the above integral as

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n!} \int_C z^n \exp\left(\frac{1}{z}\right) dz.$$

(b) Apply the theorem in Sec. 70 to evaluate the integrals appearing in part (a) to arrive at the desired result.

5. Suppose that a function f is analytic throughout the finite plane except for a finite number of singular points z_1, z_2, \dots, z_n . Show that

$$\operatorname{Res}_{z=z_1} f(z) + \operatorname{Res}_{z=z_2} f(z) + \cdots + \operatorname{Res}_{z=z_n} f(z) + \operatorname{Res}_{z=\infty} f(z) = 0.$$

6. Let the degrees of the polynomials

$$P(z) = a_0 + a_1z + a_2z^2 + \cdots + a_nz^n \quad (a_n \neq 0)$$

and

$$Q(z) = b_0 + b_1z + b_2z^2 + \cdots + b_mz^m \quad (b_m \neq 0)$$

be such that $m \geq n + 2$. Use the theorem in Sec. 71 to show that if all of the zeros of $Q(z)$ are interior to a simple closed contour C , then

$$\int_C \frac{P(z)}{Q(z)} dz = 0.$$

[Compare with Exercise 3(b).]

72. THE THREE TYPES OF ISOLATED SINGULAR POINTS

We saw in Sec. 69 that the theory of residues is based on the fact that if f has an isolated singular point at z_0 , then $f(z)$ has a Laurent series representation

$$(1) \quad f(z) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n(z - z_0)^n + \frac{b_1}{z - z_0} + \frac{b_2}{(z - z_0)^2} + \cdots + \frac{b_n}{(z - z_0)^n} + \cdots$$

in a punctured disk $0 < |z - z_0| < R_2$. The portion

$$(2) \quad \frac{b_1}{z - z_0} + \frac{b_2}{(z - z_0)^2} + \cdots + \frac{b_n}{(z - z_0)^n} + \cdots$$

of the series, involving negative powers of $z - z_0$, is called the *principal part* of f at z_0 . We now use the principal part to identify the isolated singular point z_0 as one of three special types. This classification will aid us in the development of residue theory that appears in following sections.

If the principal part of f at z_0 contains at least one nonzero term but the number of such terms is only finite, then there exists a positive integer m ($m \geq 1$) such that

$$b_m \neq 0 \quad \text{and} \quad b_{m+1} = b_{m+2} = \cdots = 0.$$