

COMPLEX ANALYSIS: PROBLEM SHEET 7

Problem 1. Compute the following residues.

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \text{(a) } \operatorname{Res}_{z=2\pi i} \left(\frac{1}{z(1-e^{-z})} \right), & \text{(b) } \operatorname{Res}_{z=3\pi} (\cot(z)), & \text{(c) } \operatorname{Res}_{z=0} \left(\frac{1}{z^2 \sin(z)} \right), \\
 & \text{(d) } \operatorname{Res}_{z=n\pi} \left(\frac{1}{z^2 \sin(z)} \right), \quad (n \in \mathbb{Z}_{\neq 0}), & \text{(e) } \operatorname{Res}_{z=0} \left(\frac{z - \sin(z)}{z} \right), & \text{(f) } \operatorname{Res}_{z=0} \left(\frac{e^z - e^{-z}}{z^4(1-z^2)} \right), \\
 & \text{(g) } \operatorname{Res}_{z=0} \left(\frac{\ln(1+z) \sin(z)}{z^5} \right).
 \end{aligned}$$

Problem 2. Prove that $\operatorname{Res}_{z=\infty} \left(\frac{2z^3 + 7}{z(z-1)^3} \right) = -2$.

(Hint: see problem 4 below).

Problem 3. Let C be the counterclockwise circle of radius 3, centered at 0. Compute the following integral, using the change of variables $w = z^{-1}$: $\int_C \frac{z^3 e^{\frac{1}{z}}}{1+z^3} dz$.

Problem 4. Let $n < m$ be two positive integers. Let $P(z) = a_n z^n + a_{n-1} z^{n-1} + \cdots + a_0$ and $Q(z) = b_m z^m + \cdots + b_0$ be two polynomials of degrees n and m respectively. Prove that $\operatorname{Res}_{z=\infty} \left(\frac{P(z)}{Q(z)} \right) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } n < m - 1 \\ -\frac{a_n}{b_m} & \text{if } n = m - 1 \end{cases}$.

(Hint: we have already solved this problem in Lecture 19.)

Problem 5. Let $\Omega \subset \mathbb{C}$ be an open set and $f : \Omega \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ be a holomorphic function. Assume that $z_0 \in \Omega$ is a zero of f of order $N \in \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 1}$. Prove that $\operatorname{Res}_{z=z_0} \left(\frac{f'(z)}{f(z)} \right) = N$.

(Hint: f vanishes at z_0 to order N means $f(z) = (z - z_0)^N g(z)$, and g does not vanish at all in a small enough disc around z_0 - see Lemma 25.2 and its proof).

Problem 6. Let $\Omega \subset \mathbb{C}$ be an open set, $\alpha \in \Omega$, and $f : \Omega \setminus \{\alpha\} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ be a holomorphic function, such that α is a pole of f , of order $M \in \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 1}$. Prove that $\operatorname{Res}_{z=\alpha} \left(\frac{f'(z)}{f(z)} \right) = -M$.

Problem 7. Compute the following integrals:

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \text{(a) } \int_0^{2\pi} \frac{d\theta}{5 + 4 \sin(\theta)}, & \text{(b) } \int_0^{2\pi} \frac{d\theta}{(a + \cos(\theta))^2}, \quad (a \in \mathbb{R}_{>1}), \\
 & \text{(c) } \int_0^{2\pi} \frac{d\theta}{1 + \sin^2(\theta)}, & \text{(d) } \int_0^{2\pi} \frac{\cos(2\theta) d\theta}{1 - 2p \cos(\theta) + p^2}, \quad (0 < p < 1),
 \end{aligned}$$

Problem 8. For $n \in \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0}$, prove that $\int_0^\pi \sin^{2n}(\theta) d\theta = \frac{(2n)!}{2^{2n}(n!)^2} \pi$.

Problem 9. Compute the following integrals.

(a) $\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{dx}{x^4 + 1}$, (b) $\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{x^2}{(x^2 + 9)(x^2 + 4)^2} dx$.

Problem 10. Let $a, b \in \mathbb{R}_{>0}$ be two positive real numbers. Prove that:

$$\int_0^\infty \frac{x^4}{(a + bx^2)^4} dx = \frac{\pi}{32a^{\frac{3}{2}}b^{\frac{5}{2}}}.$$

Problem 11. (Bonus) Let $n \in \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0}$. Prove that

$$\int_0^{2\pi} e^{\cos(\theta)} \cos(n\theta - \sin(\theta)) d\theta = \frac{2\pi}{n!} \quad \text{and} \quad \int_0^{2\pi} e^{\cos(\theta)} \sin(n\theta - \sin(\theta)) d\theta = 0.$$

(Hint: combine the two integrals as real and imaginary parts of one:

$$\cos(n\theta - \sin(\theta)) + \mathbf{i} \sin(n\theta - \sin(\theta)) = e^{\mathbf{i}(n\theta - \sin(\theta))} = e^{\mathbf{i}n\theta} e^{-\mathbf{i}\sin(\theta)}.$$

Now do the substitution: $z = e^{\mathbf{i}\theta}$.)

Problem 12. (Combine problems 5 and 6 with Cauchy's residue theorem). Let $\Omega \subset \mathbb{C}$ be an open set, and let $f : \Omega \dashrightarrow \mathbb{C}$ be a meromorphic function. (Recall: this means that there is a subset $A \subset \Omega$, such that f is defined and holomorphic on $\Omega \setminus A$; and every point of A is a pole of f).

Let $\gamma : [a, b] \rightarrow \Omega$ be a counterclockwise oriented contour, which does not pass through any of the poles of f .

- Let $z_1, z_2, \dots, z_k \in \text{Interior}(\gamma)$ be zeroes of $f(z)$ which are inside γ , of orders N_1, N_2, \dots, N_k respectively.
- Let $\alpha_1, \alpha_2, \dots, \alpha_\ell \in \text{Interior}(\gamma)$ be poles of f which are inside γ , of orders M_1, M_2, \dots, M_ℓ respectively.

Prove that $\frac{1}{2\pi\mathbf{i}} \int_\gamma \frac{f'(z)}{f(z)} dz = \sum_{a=1}^k N_a - \sum_{b=1}^{\ell} M_b$.