

Math 4213 - Complex Analysis

Quiz #15 - 2012.03.09

Solutions

1. What is the relationship between the residue of a function $f(z)$ at z_0 and it's Laurent series at z_0 ?

The residue of $f(z)$ at $z = z_0$ is simply the a_{-1} coefficient in the Laurent series of $f(z)$ at z_0 .

2. Compute the following integral:

$$\int_{\mathcal{C}_2^+(0)} \frac{e^z + 1}{(z - 3i)^2(z^2 + 1)} dz$$

First, we rewrite the integrand as

$$\int_{\mathcal{C}_2^+(0)} \frac{e^z + 1}{(z - 3i)^2(z^2 + 1)} dz = \int_{\mathcal{C}_2^+(0)} \frac{e^z + 1}{(z - 3i)^2(z + i)(z - i)} dz$$

The contour $\mathcal{C}_2^+(0)$ encloses the simple poles at $z = i$ and $z = -i$, but not the pole of order 2 at $z = 3i$. Thus, by Cauchy-Goursat, we have

$$\int_{\mathcal{C}_2^+(0)} \frac{e^z + 1}{(z - 3i)^2(z + i)(z - i)} dz = \int_{\mathcal{C}_{r_1}^+(i)} \frac{e^z + 1}{(z - 3i)^2(z + i)} \frac{1}{(z - i)} dz + \int_{\mathcal{C}_{r_2}^+(-i)} \frac{e^z + 1}{(z - 3i)^2(z - i)} \frac{1}{(z + i)} dz$$

where r_1 and r_2 are chosen so the contours contain only the poles about which each is centered. We now have

$$\int_{\mathcal{C}_{r_1}^+(i)} \frac{e^z + 1}{(z - 3i)^2(z + i)} \frac{1}{(z - i)} dz = 2\pi i \frac{e^i + 1}{(-2i)^2(2i)} = 2\pi i \frac{e^i + 1}{-8i}$$

and

$$\int_{\mathcal{C}_{r_2}^+(-i)} \frac{e^z + 1}{(z - 3i)^2(z - i)} \frac{1}{(z + i)} dz = 2\pi i \frac{e^{-i} + 1}{(-4i)^2(-2i)} = 2\pi i \frac{e^{-i} + 1}{32i}$$

Adding these up, we have

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{\mathcal{C}_2^+(0)} \frac{e^z + 1}{(z - 3i)^2(z + i)(z - i)} dz &= 2\pi i \left[\frac{e^i + 1}{-8i} + \frac{e^{-i} + 1}{32i} \right] \\ &= \pi \left[-\frac{e^i + 1}{4} + \frac{e^{-i} + 1}{16} \right] \end{aligned}$$