

Suppose that  $f(z)$  has an isolated singular point at  $z = \infty$ .

Define the residue at  $\infty$  to be: 
$$\text{Res}_f(\infty) := -\frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{\gamma} f(z) dz$$

where  $\gamma$  is any cycle with winding number = 1 for all pts in interior of  $\gamma$  and such that all finite singularities are contained in bounded components det'd by  $\gamma$ . E.g.  $\gamma = C(0, R)$  with radius  $R \gg 0$ .

Equivalently, we may define  $\text{Res}_f(\infty)$  to be  $-a_{-1}$ : where  $a_{-1}$  is the coefficient of  $1/z$  in Laurent expansion of  $f(z)$  at  $\infty$ .

Typically, we evaluate this by making change of

vars: 
$$z \mapsto 1/z$$
  

$$\infty \mapsto 0$$

initially might seem confusing. Show that it's right. Conceptual reason later...

Then  $-\text{Res}_f(\infty)$  is coeff. of  $z$  in expansion of  $f(1/z)$  at  $z = 0$ .

Or equivalently, coeff. of  $1/z$  in Laurent expansion of

$$F(z) := \frac{1}{z^2} f\left(\frac{1}{z}\right) \text{ at } z = 0. \quad (\text{i.e. } \text{Res}_f(\infty) = -\text{Res}_F(0))$$

Indeed, if  $\gamma = C(0, R)$ ,  $R \gg 0$ , then

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Res}_f(\infty) &:= -\frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{C(0, R)} f(z) dz = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{-C(0, 1/R)} f\left(\frac{1}{\xi}\right) \frac{d\xi}{\xi^2} \\ &= \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{C(0, 1/R)} f\left(\frac{1}{\xi}\right) \frac{d\xi}{\xi^2} \\ &= -\text{Res}_F(0) \end{aligned}$$

Since, if  $F$  has simple pole at  $\xi = 0$ ,

then 
$$\text{Res}_F(0) = \lim_{\xi \rightarrow 0} \xi \cdot F(\xi)$$

so 
$$\text{Res}_f(\infty) = -\lim_{z \rightarrow \infty} z \cdot f(z) \text{ if } f(\infty) = 0.$$

(also see this via Laurent series,  $f(\infty) = 0$  implies  $a_n = 0$  for  $n > 0$ )

With these definitions:

Thm: If  $f(z)$  (as function on Riemann sphere  $\mathbb{C} \cup \{\infty\}$ ) has isolated singularities  $\{z_j\}$  necessarily if  $\infty$  is sing. (finitely many)

then 
$$\sum_j \text{Res}_f(z_j) = 0.$$

Def: defn of  $\text{Res}_f(\infty) = -\frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{\gamma} f(z) dz = -\sum_{z_j \neq \infty} \text{Res}_f(z_j) //$

Residue theorem  
↓  
contains all finite isolated singularities

Moreover, Thm:  $\gamma = \text{simple closed curve}$

$$\int_{\gamma} f dz = 2\pi i \sum_j \text{Res}_f(z_j) \quad (\text{including } z_j = \infty)$$

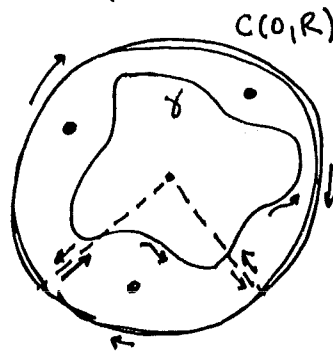
f: analytic on ext. of  $\gamma$  with isolated sing.  $\{z_j\}$

traverse  $\gamma$  clockwise

further assume winding #  $\neq 0, 1$  for all points in  $\mathbb{C}$

Use this latter thm to study functions with branch points in  $|z| < \infty$  and an isolated singularity at  $z = \infty$ .

sketch in pictures: Choose  $R > 0$  to contain all finite singularities outside  $\gamma$ .



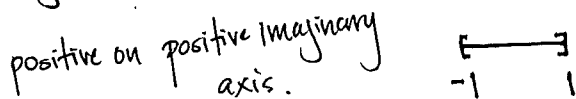
chops region between  $C(0, R)$  and  $\gamma$  into closed curves  $C_1, C_2$ .

$$\int_{\gamma} f dz = \int_{C_1} f dz + \int_{C_2} f dz$$

$$-\int_{C(0, R)} f dz + \sum_{z_j \text{ finite}} 2\pi i \text{Res}_f(z_j)$$

traversed counter clock giving  $2\pi i \text{Res}_f(\infty)$ .

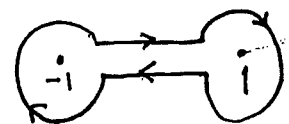
E.g.  $\sqrt{1-z^2}$  single valued on cut plane:



To show isolated sing. at  $\infty$ :  $\sqrt{1-z^2} = -iz \sqrt{1-1/z^2}$  use power series with  $\sqrt{1-g}$  for  $|g| < 1$ .  $-i$  not  $+i$  so that posi in  $iy$ .

Show: 
$$\int_{-1}^1 \frac{\sqrt{1-x^2}}{1+x^2} dx = \pi(\sqrt{2}-1)$$

compar:



The power series expansion shows that  $\sqrt{1-z^2}$  analytic for  $|z| > 1$ .

$\Rightarrow$  Singularity at infinity is isolated.

Alternate geometric approach to ~~problem~~ problem: is branch well-defined at  $\infty$ ?

$$\sqrt{1-z^2} = i\sqrt{z^2-1} \quad \text{Focus on } \sqrt{z^2-1}$$

which behaves like  $z$  in limit as  $|z| \rightarrow \infty$

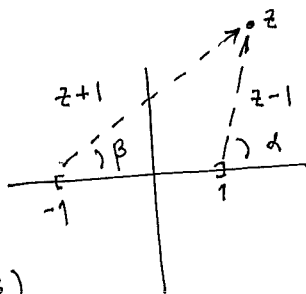
$$\sqrt{z^2-1} = \sqrt{(z-1)(z+1)}$$

$$\sqrt{z} = z^{1/2} = e^{1/2 \log z} = e^{1/2 \log |z| + i/2 \arg(z)}$$

want to ensure  $\arg(z)$  well-defined on nbhd. of  $\infty$ .  
rather  $\arg(z^2-1)$

$$\arg(z^2-1) = \arg(z-1) + \arg(z+1)$$

choose  $\arg(z^2-1) = \alpha + \beta$ .



so  $\sqrt{z^2-1} = e^{1/2 \log |z| + i/2 (\alpha + \beta)}$

Lemma Along any closed curve  $\gamma$  in  $\mathbb{C} \setminus [-1, 1]$ ,  $\alpha, \beta$  both change by same multiple of  $2\pi$ .

$\Rightarrow$   $1/2 (\alpha + \beta)$  changes by multiple of  $2\pi i$ , hence  $\sqrt{z^2-1}$  unchanged.

pos. on y-axis    neg. on y-axis

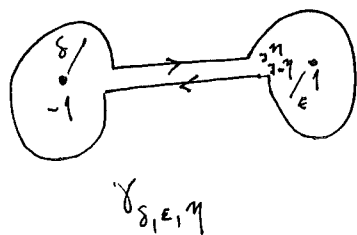
Three approaches: (1) define on  $|z| > 1$ ,  $\text{Im}(z) > 0$ ,  $\text{Im}(z) < 0$  (rigorous)

(2) use composition of  $\sqrt{w}$  with  $w = 1-z^2$  (?)

(3) geometric defn/intuition. (?)

$$z \mapsto 1-z^2 = w$$

To compute integral use residue thm (with contour traversed clockwise)



$$\lim_{\eta \rightarrow 0} \int_{\gamma_{\delta, \epsilon, \eta}} f(z) dz = \int_{C_1} + \int_{C_2} + 2 \cdot \int_{-1+\delta}^{1-\epsilon} \frac{\sqrt{1-x^2}}{1+x^2}$$

check these  
 $\rightarrow 0$  as  $\delta, \epsilon \rightarrow 0$

Just have to compute residues at  $\pm i, \infty$ .

$$\text{At } \pm i: \quad \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2i}, \quad \frac{-\sqrt{2}}{-2i}$$

$$\text{At } \infty: \quad - \lim_{z \rightarrow \infty} z \cdot \frac{-iz}{1+z^2} \sqrt{1-1/z^2} = i$$

$$\text{Residue thm:} \quad \int_{-1}^1 f(x) dx = \left( i + \frac{\sqrt{2}}{i} \right) \cdot 2\pi i = 2\pi(\sqrt{2}-1) \checkmark$$

This example suggests that the right way to keep track of poles of

meromorphic function is via 1-forms:

relating residues at  
 $\infty$  for  $f$  to those  
at 0 for  $F$

$$f(z) dz, \text{ with } f: \text{meromorphic.}$$

on Riemann surface — ex manifold (orientable, path-conn., 2-dim'l  
smoother)

Riemann sphere: compact Riemann surface.

(Any compact Riemann surface is diffeomorphic to  $g$ -holed torus,  $g \geq 0$ .)

$g$ : genus.

Then Residue Thm: (notice no cycle here)

$$\sum_{z_j: \text{poles}} \text{Res}_{f dz}(z_j) = 0.$$

(seen as precursor to Riemann-Roch  
thm.)

Other Riemann surfaces arise naturally from multi-valued functions.

e.g.  $f(z) = \log z$ . Try to construct Riemann surface for

$$\text{which map: } \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{C} \\ z \mapsto \log z$$

is one-one.

Draw geometric approximation.