

Project 2, Complex Analysis  
due Monday March 31, 2014

Problem 1:

Let  $f(z) = \frac{(\cos z - 1)e^{\frac{i}{z-1}}}{z^3(3z^2 - 27)}$ .

- a) Find the singularities of  $f$  and characterize them.  
b) Find the integral  $\oint_{|z|=5} f(z) dz$

Solution, Problem 1:

$$f(z) = \frac{\cos z - 1}{z^3} \frac{1}{3(z-3)(z+3)} e^{\frac{i}{z-1}}.$$

- a) We can see that  $z_1 = 1$  is an essential singularity since

$$e^{\frac{i}{z-1}} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n!} i^n \left( \frac{1}{z-1} \right)^n.$$

At  $z_2 = 3$  or  $z_3 = -3$  we have simple poles. Near  $z_4 = 0$  we see that

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\cos z - 1}{z^3} &= \frac{-\frac{1}{2}z^2 + \frac{1}{4!}z^4 - \dots}{z^3} \\ &= -\frac{1}{2} \frac{1}{z} + \frac{1}{4!}z - \dots \end{aligned}$$

so  $z = 0$  is a simple pole.

b)

$$\oint_{|z|=5} f(z) dz = 2\pi i \sum_{j=1}^4 \text{Res}_{z=z_j} f(z)$$

since  $z_1, z_2, z_3, z_4$  are all inside the disc of radius 5.

Now

$$\begin{aligned}
 \operatorname{Res}_{z=z_4} f(z) &= \lim_{z \rightarrow 0} z f(z) \\
 &= (-1/2) \frac{1}{3(-3)(3)} e^i \\
 &= e^{-i}/54. \\
 \operatorname{Res}_{z=z_3} f(z) &= \lim_{z \rightarrow -3} (z+3) f(z) \\
 &= \frac{\cos(-3) - 1}{(-3)^3} \frac{1}{3(-3-3)} e^{\frac{i}{-3-1}} \\
 &= \frac{1}{3^5} \frac{\cos 3 - 1}{2} e^{-i/4} \\
 \operatorname{Res}_{z=z_2} f(z) &= \lim_{z \rightarrow 3} (z-3) f(z) \\
 &= \frac{\cos 3 - 1}{3^3} \frac{1}{3+3} e^{\frac{1}{3-1}} \\
 &= \frac{1}{3^5} \frac{1}{2} (\cos 3 - 1) e^{i/2}
 \end{aligned}$$

Finally at  $z = 1$  things are more complicated.

$$\begin{aligned}
 f(z) &= g(z) e^{\frac{i}{z-1}} \\
 &= g(z) \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n!} i^n \frac{1}{(z-1)^n} \\
 &= \left( \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{g^{(k)}(1)}{k!} (z-1)^k \right) \left( \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n!} i^n \frac{1}{(z-1)^n} \right)
 \end{aligned}$$

Notice that when  $n \geq 1$  and  $k = n - 1$ , then

$$\begin{aligned}
 \frac{g^{(k)}(1)}{k!} (z-1)^k \frac{1}{n!} i^n \frac{1}{(z-1)^n} &= \frac{g^{(n-1)}(1)}{(n-1)!} (z-1)^{n-1} \frac{1}{n!} i^n \frac{1}{(z-1)^n} \\
 &= \frac{g^{(n-1)}(1)}{n!(n-1)!} i^n \frac{1}{(z-1)}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{so } \operatorname{Res}_{z=z_1} f(z) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{g^{(n-1)}(1)}{n!(n-1)!} i^n$$

**Problem 2:**

Let  $h(z)$  be analytic in  $\Delta = \{z \in \mathbb{C}; |z| < 1\}$ . Suppose that  $h(0) = h'(0) = h''(0) = 0$ . Assume that  $|h| < 1$ .

a) Show that  $|h(z)| \leq |z|^3$ .

b) Show that if  $h(1/2) = 1/8$ , then  $h\left(\left(\frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} + \frac{i\sqrt{2}}{2}\right)\frac{1}{8}\right) = e^{3i\pi/4}/2^9$ .

Solution Problem 2:

a) Notice that since  $h(0) = h'(0) = h''(0) = 0$ , then  $g(z) = \frac{h(z)}{z^3}$  has a removable singularity. Also

$$|g(z)| = \frac{|h(z)|}{|z^3|} \leq \frac{1}{|z^3|}.$$

Let  $|z| = 1 - \epsilon$ , then  $|g(z)| \leq \frac{1}{(1-\epsilon)^3}$  so by the maximum principle  $|g(z)| \leq \frac{1}{(1-\epsilon)^3}$  for all  $z$  such that  $|z| \leq 1 - \epsilon$ . Let  $\epsilon \rightarrow 0$ . Then we get  $|g(z)| \leq 1$  so  $|h(z)| \leq |z|^3$ .

b) If  $h(1/2) = 1/8$  it follows that  $g(1/2) = 1$ , hence  $g$  takes a maximum at an interior point, so it must be constant. This implies that  $h(z) = z^3$  and therefore

$$\begin{aligned} h\left(\left(\frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} + i\frac{\sqrt{2}}{2}\right)\frac{1}{8}\right) &= h\left(e^{i\pi/4}\frac{1}{8}\right) \\ &= \left(e^{i\pi/4}\frac{1}{8}\right)^3 \\ &= e^{3i\pi/4}\left(\frac{1}{2^3}\right)^3 \\ &= e^{3i\pi/4}\frac{1}{2^9} \end{aligned}$$

Problem 3:

a) Show that  $10z^5 + e^z + \cos z$  has exactly 5 zeroes in the unit disc  $\Delta = \{|z| < 1\}$ .

b) Show that

$$\frac{1}{2\pi i} \oint_{|z|=1} \frac{50z^4 + e^z - \sin z}{10z^5 + e^z + \cos z} dz = 5.$$

Solution Problem 3:

a) Let  $f(z) = 10z^5$  and  $g(z) = e^z + \cos z$ . Then  $|f(z)| = 10$  when  $|z| = 1$  while

$$\begin{aligned} |g(z)| &= \left|e^z + \frac{1}{2}(e^{iz} + e^{-iz})\right| \\ &\leq |e^z| + \frac{1}{2}|e^{iz}| + \frac{1}{2}|e^{-iz}|. \end{aligned}$$

When  $|z| = 1$ , it follows that  $-1 \leq \operatorname{Re}(z) \leq 1$  and  $-1 \leq \operatorname{Im}(z) \leq 1$  so

$$\begin{aligned} |e^z| + \frac{1}{2}|e^{iz}| + \frac{1}{2}|e^{-iz}| &= e^{\operatorname{Re}(z)} + \frac{1}{2}e^{-\operatorname{Im}(z)} + \frac{1}{2}e^{\operatorname{Im}(z)} \\ &\leq e + \frac{1}{2}e + \frac{1}{2}e \\ &= 2e \\ &< 10. \end{aligned}$$

Hence by Rouché's theorem it follows that  $f(z) + g(z)$  has as many 0's in the unit disc as  $f$  does, and  $f$  has 5 zeroes at 0.

b) Let  $h(z) = 10z^5 + e^z + \cos z$ . Then  $h'(z) = 50z^4 + e^z - \sin z$ . So

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{1}{2\pi i} \oint \frac{50z^4 + e^z - \sin z}{10z^5 + e^z + \cos z} dz &= \frac{1}{2\pi i} \oint_{|z|=1} \frac{h'(z)}{h(z)} dz \\ &= N_0 - N_\infty \end{aligned}$$

where  $N_0$  is the number of 0's for  $h$  in the unit disc and  $N_\infty$  is the number of poles. So  $N_0 - N_\infty = 5 - 0 = 5$ .

Problem 4:

Find

$$\int_0^\infty \frac{x^{3/2}}{(1+x)^4} dx.$$

Show all estimates.

Solution of Problem 4:

(1) Notice that  $x + 1 \geq 1$  when  $x \geq 0$  so the function is continuous in  $[0, \infty)$ . Also

$$\int_0^\infty \frac{x^{3/2}}{(1+x)^4} dx = \int_0^1 \frac{x^{3/2}}{(1+x)^4} dx + \int_1^\infty \frac{x^{3/2}}{(1+x)^4} dx.$$

The first integral converges since the integrand is continuous. Now

$$0 \leq \frac{x^{3/2}}{(1+x)^4} \leq \frac{x^{3/2}}{x^4} = x^{-5/2}$$

when  $1 \leq x < \infty$  and

$$\int_1^\infty x^{-5/2} dx < \infty$$

so the second integral converges also.

(2) Let  $T_{\epsilon,R} = C_R \cup L_1 \cup L_2 \cup \gamma_\epsilon$  where  $C_R$  is the circle around 0 of radius  $R$  traversed counter-clockwise,  $L_1 = [\epsilon, R]$ ,  $L_2 = [R, \epsilon]$  and  $\gamma_\epsilon$  is the circle around 0 of radius  $\epsilon$  traversed clockwise. Now

$$\int_{T_{\epsilon,R}} \frac{z^{3/2}}{(1+z)^4} dz = 2\pi i \operatorname{Res}_{z=-1} \frac{z^{3/2}}{(1+z)^4}$$

when  $\epsilon < 1$  and  $R > 1$   $\frac{z^{3/2}}{(1+z)^4}$  has a pole of order 4 at  $z = -1$  and so

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{Res}_{z=-1} f(z) &= \lim_{z \rightarrow -1} \frac{1}{3!} \frac{d^3}{dz^3} (z+1)^4 f(z) \\
 &= \frac{1}{3!} \lim_{z \rightarrow -1} \frac{d^3}{dz^3} (z^{3/2}) \\
 &= \frac{1}{3!} \lim_{z \rightarrow -1} \frac{3}{2} \frac{1-1}{2} \frac{1-1}{2} z^{-3/2} \\
 &= \frac{1}{3 \cdot 2} \frac{3}{8} (-1) (e^{i\pi})^{3/2} \\
 &= -\frac{1}{16} e^{3i\pi/2} \\
 &= -i/16
 \end{aligned}$$

So  $\int_{T_{\epsilon,R}} \frac{z^{3/2}}{(1+z)^4} dz = 2\pi i (i/16) = \pi/8$ .

Now

$$\begin{aligned}
 \left| \int_{C_R} \frac{z^{3/2}}{(1+z)^4} dz \right| &\leq \int_{C_R} \frac{|z|^{3/2}}{|1+z|^4} |dz| \\
 &\leq \frac{R^{3/2}}{(R-1)^4} 2\pi R \\
 &\rightarrow 0
 \end{aligned}$$

when  $R \rightarrow \infty$ .

Also

$$\begin{aligned}
 \left| \int_{\gamma_\epsilon} \frac{z^{3/2}}{(1+z)^4} dz \right| &\leq \int_{\gamma_\epsilon} \frac{|z|^{3/2}}{(1-|z|)^4} |dz| \\
 &= \frac{1}{(1-\epsilon)^4} \epsilon^{5/2} \pi \cdot 2 \\
 &\rightarrow 0
 \end{aligned}$$

when  $\epsilon \rightarrow 0$ .

Moreover

$$\begin{aligned}
 \int_{L_2} \frac{z^{3/2}}{(1+z)^4} dz &= \int_R^\epsilon \frac{x^{3/2} e^{\frac{3}{2}2\pi i}}{(1+x)^4} dx \\
 &= -\int_\epsilon^R \frac{x^{3/2}}{(1+x)^4} e^{3\pi i} dx \\
 &= \int_\epsilon^R \frac{x^{3/2}}{(1+x)^4} dx
 \end{aligned}$$

So

$$\begin{aligned}
 \lim_{\epsilon \rightarrow 0, R \rightarrow \infty} \int_{T_{\epsilon, R}} \frac{z^{3/2}}{(1+z)^4} dz &= \lim \int_{L_1} \frac{z^{3/2}}{(1+z)^4} dz \lim \int_{L_2} \frac{z^{3/2}}{(1+z)^4} dz \\
 &= \int_0^\infty \frac{x^{3/2}}{(1+x)^4} dx + \int_0^\infty \frac{x^{3/2}}{(1+x)^4} dx \\
 &= 2 \int_0^\infty \frac{x^{3/2}}{(1+x)^4} dx \\
 &= \pi/8
 \end{aligned}$$

Hence

$$\int_0^\infty \frac{x^{3/2}}{(1+x)^4} dx = \pi/16.$$

Problem 5:

- a) Find the radius of convergence of  $\sum_{n=1}^\infty \left( \frac{i(n^2+3)}{3(2n^2-1)} \right)^n z^n$ .

b) Find out where the function

$$g(z) = \sum_{n=1}^\infty \left( \frac{i(n^2+3)}{3(2n^2-1)} \right)^n \left( z^n + \frac{1}{z^n} \right)$$

is analytic.

Solution Problem 5:

- a)  $\sum_{n=1}^\infty \left( \frac{i(n^2+3)}{3(2n^2-1)} \right)^n z^n = \sum_{n=1}^\infty a_n z^n$ . The radius of convergence  $R$  for this series, is found as

$$\begin{aligned}
 \frac{1}{R} &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} |a_n|^{1/n} \\
 &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{i(n^2+3)}{3(2n^2-1)} \\
 &= 1/6
 \end{aligned}$$

Hence  $R = 6$ .

b)

$$g(z) = \sum_{n=1}^\infty a_n \left( z^n + \frac{1}{z^n} \right) = \sum_{n=1}^\infty a_n (z^n) + \sum_{n=1}^\infty a_n \left( \frac{1}{z^n} \right)$$

The first sum converges when  $|z| < 6$ , the second converges when  $|1/z| < 6$  or  $|z| > 1/6$  so both converge when  $1/6 < |z| < 6$ .