

Residues

Note Title

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Suppose $f(z) = \frac{g(z)}{h(z)}$,

where g and h are analytic at z_0 ,
 $g(z_0) \neq 0$, $h(z) = (z-z_0)^m H(z)$, $H(z_0) \neq 0$.

Let $H(z) = H_0 + H_1(z-z_0) + \dots + H_n(z-z_0)^n + \dots$,

$g(z) = g_0 + g_1(z-z_0) + \dots + g_n(z-z_0)^n + \dots$,

$g_n = g^{(n)}(z_0)/n!$, $H_n = h^{(n+m)}(z_0)/(n+m)!$

Then $\text{Res}[f, z_0] = \frac{1}{H_0^m} \det \begin{pmatrix} H_0 & 0 & 0 & \dots & g_0 \\ H_1 & H_0 & & & g_1 \\ \vdots & & & & \\ H_{m-1} & \dots & & H_1 & g_{m-1} \end{pmatrix}$

Proof:

$P_0 + P_1(z-z_0) + \dots + P_{m-1}(z-z_0)^{m-1} + \dots$

$= (z-z_0)^m f(z)$

$= g(z)/H(z) = \frac{\sum g_k(z-z_0)^k}{\sum H_k(z-z_0)^k}$, and

$f(z) = \frac{a_{-m}}{(z-z_0)^m} + \dots + \frac{a_{-1}}{z-z_0} + \dots$,

so $(z-z_0)^m f(z) = a_{-m} + \dots + a_{-1}(z-z_0)^{m-1} + \dots$.

Thus $a_{-1} = P_{m-1}$. We compute P_{m-1} by recurrence:

$$\begin{aligned}
 g_0 &= H_0 P_0 \\
 g_1 &= H_1 P_0 + H_0 P_1 \\
 &\vdots \\
 g_{m-1} &= H_{m-1} P_0 + \dots + H_0 P_{m-1}
 \end{aligned}
 \quad
 \begin{bmatrix} g_0 \\ \vdots \\ g_{m-1} \end{bmatrix}
 =
 \begin{bmatrix} H_0 & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ H_1 & H_0 & \dots & 0 \\ H_2 & H_1 & H_0 & \dots & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ H_{m-1} & \dots & \dots & H_0 & P_{m-1} \end{bmatrix}
 \begin{bmatrix} P_0 \\ P_1 \\ P_2 \\ \vdots \\ P_{m-1} \end{bmatrix}$$

Cramer's rule \Rightarrow

$$a_{-1} = P_{m-1} = \frac{1}{H_0^m} \det \begin{bmatrix} H_0 & 0 & \dots & g_0 \\ H_1 & H_0 & \dots & g_1 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ H_{m-1} & \dots & H_1 & g_{m-1} \end{bmatrix}$$

If $m=2$ the residue is

$$\left(\frac{2}{h''(z_0)} \right)^2 \left[g'(z_0) \frac{h''(z_0)}{2} - g(z_0) \frac{h'''(z_0)}{3!} \right]$$

This result was taken from Hille,

"Analytic Function Theory".

I don't know who should get the credit.