

Next up we study integrals of the form  $\int_0^{2\pi} R(\cos\theta, \sin\theta) d\theta$

where  $R(x, y)$  is a rational function of two variables.

We will convert these into a contour integral around the unit circle in the complex plane of an auxiliary function:

$$f(z) = \frac{1}{iz} R\left(\frac{z + \frac{1}{z}}{2}, \frac{z - \frac{1}{z}}{2i}\right)$$

That looks a bit weird, but on the unit circle

$$z + \frac{1}{z} = e^{i\theta} + e^{-i\theta} = 2 \cos\theta \quad \text{and}$$

$$z - \frac{1}{z} = e^{+i\theta} - e^{-i\theta} = 2i \sin\theta.$$

Prop 4.3.2 Assume  ~~$R(x, y)$~~   $R(x, y)$  has no sing. on  $x^2 + y^2 = 1$ . Then

$$\int_0^{2\pi} R(\cos\theta, \sin\theta) d\theta = 2\pi i \sum_{\text{inside unit circle}} \text{residues of } f(z)$$

Proof

$$\int_{\gamma} f(z) dz = 2\pi i \sum \text{res of } f \text{ inside } \gamma$$

"  $z = \gamma(\theta) = e^{i\theta}$

$$\int_0^{2\pi} \frac{R(\cos\theta, \sin\theta)}{ie^{i\theta}} \cdot ie^{i\theta} d\theta,$$

$$\text{Ex } \int_0^{2\pi} \frac{\cos(3\theta)}{5-4\cos\theta} d\theta = \frac{\pi}{12} \quad (\text{Spiegel, 1962})$$

Note  $\cos(3\theta) = 4\cos^3\theta - 3\cos\theta$ , so this is a rational function of  $\cos\theta$ .

$$\text{Sol } \cos\theta = \frac{z + \frac{1}{z}}{2} \quad \text{and} \quad \cos 3\theta = \frac{z^3 + \frac{1}{z^3}}{2} \quad \text{on unit circle}$$

$$\frac{\cos(3\theta)}{5-4\cos\theta} = \frac{(z^3 + \bar{z}^3)/2}{5-4(z+z^{-1})/2} = \frac{z^3 + z^{-3}}{10-4(z+z^{-1})}$$

$$= \frac{z^6 + 1}{10z^3 - 4z^4 - 4z^2} = -\frac{1}{2z^2} \left( \frac{z^6 + 1}{z^2 \cdot 5z + 2} \right) = -\frac{1}{2z^2} \left( \frac{z^6 + 1}{(z-1)(z-2)} \right)$$

$$\int_0^{2\pi} \frac{\cos(3\theta)}{5-4\cos\theta} d\theta = -\frac{1}{2} \int_{\gamma} \frac{z^6 + 1}{z^2(z-1)(z-2)} \frac{1}{iz} dz$$

$$= \frac{i}{2} \int_{\gamma} \frac{z^6 + 1}{z^3(z-1)(z-2)} dz$$

There is a 3<sup>rd</sup> order pole at  $z=0$ , and a simple pole at  $z=\frac{1}{2}$  inside unit circle  $\gamma$ .

$$\text{Let } g(z) = z^6 + 1, \quad h(z) = z^3(z-1)(z-2)$$

$$\text{and } f(z) = \frac{g(z)}{h(z)}$$

$$\operatorname{Res}\left(\frac{g}{h}, \frac{1}{2}\right): \quad g\left(\frac{1}{2}\right) = \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^6 + 1 = \frac{65}{64} \neq 0$$

$$h\left(\frac{1}{2}\right) = 0$$

$$h(z) = 2z^5 - 5z^4 + 2z^3$$

$$h'(z) = 10z^4 - 20z^3 + 6z^2$$

$$h'\left(\frac{1}{2}\right) = \frac{10}{16} - \frac{20}{8} + \frac{6}{4} = \frac{5}{8} - \frac{20}{8} + \frac{12}{8} = \frac{-3}{8} \neq 0$$

Use formula 4.

$$\operatorname{Res}\left(f, \frac{1}{2}\right) = \frac{\frac{65}{64}}{-\frac{3}{8}} = -\frac{65 \cdot 8}{64 \cdot 3} = -\frac{65}{24}$$

$\operatorname{Res}(f, 0)$ . Use formula 9 with  $k=3$ .

$$\phi(z) = (z)^3 f(z) = \frac{z^6 + 1}{2z^2 - 5z + 2}$$

$$\lim_{z \rightarrow 0} \phi = \frac{1}{2} \neq 0. \quad \text{Thus, } \operatorname{Res} = \lim_{z \rightarrow 0} \frac{(\phi(z))''}{2!}$$

$$\phi''(z) = \frac{6(8z^8 - 50z^7 + 106z^6 - 80z^5 + 20z^4 + 4z^2 - 10z + 7)}{(2z^2 - 5z + 2)^3} \quad (\text{Via Maple})$$

$$\lim_{z \rightarrow 0} \phi''(z) = \frac{6 \cdot 7}{8} = \frac{21}{4}$$

$$\operatorname{Res}(f, 0) = \frac{21}{8} \quad (\text{Wolfram Alpha agrees})$$

Final answer is

$$\frac{1}{2} \cdot 2\pi i \left( \frac{21}{8} - \frac{65}{24} \right) = -\pi \left( \frac{63}{24} - \frac{65}{24} \right) = \frac{2\pi}{24} = \frac{\pi}{12}$$