

Workbook



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The Argument Principle

The Argument Principle

Questions

1) Compute $\int_{|z|=2} \frac{2z}{z^2+1} dz$ using the Argument Principle.

Reminder: $\oint_{\gamma} \frac{f'(z)}{f(z)} dz = 2\pi i(N - P)$.

2) Let $f(z) = \frac{(z+3)(z+1)}{z^2}$. Compute $\int_{|z|=2} \frac{f'(z)}{f(z)} dz$ using the Argument Principle.

Reminder: $\oint_{\gamma} \frac{f'(z)}{f(z)} dz = 2\pi i(N - P)$

3) Compute $\int_{|z|=1} \frac{3 \sin 2z}{\sin^2 z - 0.5} dz$ using the Argument Principle.

Reminder: $\oint_{\gamma} \frac{f'(z)}{f(z)} dz = 2\pi i(N - P)$

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

a. Find the zeros and poles of f (and their orders) in the domain $|z| < 4$.

b. Compute $\frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{|z|=4} \frac{f'(z)}{f(z)} dz$ using the Argument Principle.

Reminder: $\frac{1}{2\pi i} \oint_{\gamma} \frac{f'(z)}{f(z)} dz = N - P$.

Answer Key

- 1) $4\pi i$
- 2) $-2\pi i$
- 3) $12\pi i$
- 4) a. 0 is a pole order 5 and $\pm\pi i$ are poles of order 2 b. -7

The Argument Principle

The Argument Principle - Geometric Meaning

Questions

- 1) Let $f(z) = z^2$ and $\gamma = \{z = e^{i\theta} : 0 \leq \theta \leq 2\pi\} = \{z : |z| = 1\}$.

Show that the equality $\frac{1}{2\pi i} \oint_{\gamma} \frac{f'(z)}{f(z)} dz = \frac{1}{2\pi} \Delta \arg_{\gamma} f(z)$ holds,

by evaluation each side separately and comparing.

- 2) Compute $\frac{1}{2\pi} \Delta \arg_{\gamma} f(z)$, where $f(z) = z^2 - z$ and $\gamma = \{z = 2e^{i\theta} : 0 \leq \theta \leq 2\pi\}$.

- 3) Let $f(z) = e^z$ and $\gamma = \{z = e^{i\theta} : 0 \leq \theta \leq 2\pi\} = \{z : |z| = 1\}$.

Show that the equality $\frac{1}{2\pi i} \oint_{\gamma} \frac{f'(z)}{f(z)} dz = \frac{1}{2\pi} \Delta \arg_{\gamma} f(z)$ holds,

by evaluation each side separately and comparing.

- 4) Use the Argument Principle to compute N for the polynomial $p(z) = z^2 + 1$ in $\text{Im } z > 0$ (the upper half-plane).

- 5) Use the Argument Principle to compute the number of zeros N for the polynomial $p(z) = z^4 + 8z^3 + 3z^2 + 8z + 3$ in $\text{Re } z > 0$ (the right half-plane).

Answer Key

$$1) \quad \frac{1}{2\pi i} \oint_{\gamma} \frac{f'(z)}{f(z)} dz = 2, \quad \frac{1}{2\pi} \Delta \arg_{\gamma} f(z) = 2$$

$$2) \quad \frac{1}{2\pi i} \oint_{\gamma} \frac{f'(z)}{f(z)} dz = N - P = 2 - 0 = 2$$

$$3) \quad \frac{1}{2\pi i} \oint_{\gamma} \frac{f'(z)}{f(z)} dz = 0, \quad \frac{1}{2\pi} \Delta \arg_{\gamma} f(z) = 0$$

$$4) \quad N = 1$$

$$5) \quad N = 2$$

Rouche's Theorem

Questions

- 1) Find the number of zeros of $h(z) = z^4 + 5z + 1$ in $D = \{z \in \mathbb{C} : |z| < 1\} = D(0,1)$.
- 2) Find the number of zeros of $h(z) = 5z^4 + z + 1$ in $D = \{z \in \mathbb{C} : |z| < 1\} = D(0,1)$.
- 3) Find the number of zeros of $h(z) = z^4 + 5z + 4$ in $D = \{z \in \mathbb{C} : |z| < 2\} = D(0,2)$.
- 4) Find the number of zeros of $h(z) = z^5 + 3z + 1$ in $D = \{z \in \mathbb{C} : 1 < |z| < 2\}$.
- 5) Find the number of zeros of $h(z) = z^4 - 10z + 1$ in $D = \{z \in \mathbb{C} : 1 < |z| < 3\}$.
- 6) Find the number of zeros of $h(z) = \frac{1}{2}z^6 - 5z^4 + 7z$ in $D = \{z \in \mathbb{C} : |z| < 1\} = D(0,1)$.
- 7) Find the number of zeros of $h(z) = \frac{1}{2}z^6 - 5z^4 + 7z$ in $D = \{z \in \mathbb{C} : 1 < |z| < 3\}$.
- 8) Let $m \geq 2$ Find the number of zeros (including multiplicity) in $D = \{z \in \mathbb{C} : |z| < 1\} = D(0,1)$ of $h(z) = ze^{m-z} - 1$.
- 9) Let $D = \{z \in \mathbb{C} : |z| < 1\} = D(0,1)$ and let $a_1, \dots, a_n \in D$ be all different.
Denote $B(z) = \prod_{j=1}^n \frac{z - a_j}{1 - \overline{z}a_j} = \frac{z - a_1}{1 - \overline{z}a_1} \cdot \dots \cdot \frac{z - a_n}{1 - \overline{z}a_n}$ and let $z_0 \in D$.
Prove that the function $B(z) - z_0$ has n roots in D (including multiplicities).
Hint: show that $\varphi_j(z) = \frac{z - a_j}{1 - \overline{z}a_j}$ maps the unit circle into itself.
- 10) Prove that there exists a number $N \in \mathbb{N}$ such that, for all $n > N$ ($n \in \mathbb{N}$), there is exactly one solution of the equation $\sin z = z^n$ in the disk $D = D(0, \frac{1}{2})$.
- 11) Let f be analytic on the closed unit disk $\overline{D}(0,1)$ and satisfy $|f(z)| < 1$ for all $|z| = 1$.
Prove that f has exactly one stationary point in the open unit disk. In other words, prove that the equation $f(z) = z$ has exactly one solution in $D(0,1)$.

Answer Key

- 1) 1
- 2) 4
- 3) 4
- 4) 4
- 5) 3
- 6) 1
- 7) 3
- 8) 1
- 9) Proof
- 10) Proof
- 11) Proof

The Argument Principle

Hurwitz's Theorem

Questions

12) Prove that there exists $N \in \mathbb{N}$ such that, for all $n > N$, the equation

$$z - \frac{z^3}{3!} + \frac{z^5}{5!} - \dots + (-1)^{n+1} \frac{z^{2n+1}}{(2n+1)!} = 0 \text{ has exactly one solution in } D = \{z : |z - \pi| < 1\}.$$

Hint: Use Hurwitz's theorem and the Taylor series for $\sin z$.

13) Let $R > 0$. Prove that there exists $N \in \mathbb{N}$ such that, for all $n > N$, the equation

$$1 + z + \frac{z^2}{2!} + \frac{z^3}{3!} + \dots + \frac{z^n}{n!} = 0 \text{ has no solutions in } D = D(0, R) = \{z : |z| < R\}.$$

Hint: Use Hurwitz's theorem and the Taylor series for e^z .

*Proof questions- for the full solution see the video

The Argument Principle

Existence of Logarithms and Roots of Functions

Questions

- 1) Show that the function $f(z) = \frac{z-1}{z+1}$ has an analytic logarithm in $D = \mathbb{C} - \{(-\infty, -1] \cup [1, \infty)\}$.

- 2) Let D be the domain $\mathbb{C} - [-i, i]$, as illustrated.
 - a. Prove that the function $f(z) = \frac{z-i}{z+i}$ has an analytic logarithm on D .
 - b. Prove that the function $F(z) = z^2 \frac{z-i}{z+i}$ has an analytic square root on D .

- 3) Let D be the domain $\mathbb{C} - [-1, 1]$, and let $f(z) = 1 - z^2$ on D .
 - a. Prove that $f(z)$ does **not** have an analytic logarithm on D .
 - b. Prove that $f(z)$ **does** have an analytic square root on D .

- 4) Let D be the domain $\{z : |z| > 4\}$, and let $f(z) = (z-2)^2 - 4$ on D .
 - a. Prove that $f(z)$ does **not** have an analytic logarithm on D .
 - b. Prove that $f(z)$ **does** have an analytic square root on D .

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