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Exercises with a  $\star$  are eligible for bonus points.

**7.1.**  $\star$  Calculus of residues Determine the order of the poles of the following functions and compute their residue at the indicated points:

$$\operatorname{res}_{2i}\left(\frac{1}{z^2+4}\right), \quad \operatorname{res}_0\left(\frac{\sin(z)}{z^2}\right), \quad \operatorname{res}_0\left(\frac{\cos(z)}{z^2}\right), \quad \operatorname{res}_1\left(\frac{1}{z^5-1}\right).$$

**7.2. Complex integrals** Compute the following complex integrals taking advantage of the Residue Theorem<sup>1</sup>.

(a)

$$\int_{|z|=2} \frac{e^z}{z^2(z-1)} \, dz.$$

(b)

$$\int_{|z|=1} \frac{1}{z^2(z^2-4)e^z} \, dz.$$

(c)

$$\int_{|z|=1/2} \frac{1}{z\sin(1/z)} \, dz.$$

(d)

$$\int_{\gamma} \frac{1}{(z-i)(z+2)(z-4)} \, dz,$$

for any simple closed curve  $\gamma$  that does not intersect the points  $\{i,-2,4\}.$ 

**7.3.**  $\star$  **Poles at infinity** Let  $f : \mathbb{C} \to \mathbb{C}$  be holomorphic. We say that f has a pole at infinity of order  $N \in \mathbb{N}$  if the function g(z) := f(1/z) has a pole of order N at the origin in the usual sense. Prove that if  $f : \mathbb{C} \to \mathbb{C}$  has a pole of order  $N \in \mathbb{N}$  at infinity, then it has to be a polynomial of degree  $N \in \mathbb{N}$ .

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>Recall:  $\{z_1, \ldots, z_N\} \subset \Omega$  poles and  $f: \Omega \setminus \{z_1, \ldots, z_N\} \to \mathbb{C}$  holomorphic. Then if  $\{z_1, \ldots, z_N\}$  are inside a simple closed curve  $\gamma$  in  $\Omega$ , then  $\int_{\gamma} f \, dz = 2\pi i \sum_{j=1}^{N} \operatorname{res}_{z_j}(f)$ .

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**7.4. The Gamma function** Let  $Z_{-} := \{0, -1, -2, ...\}$  the set of all non-positive integers, and define for all  $\tau \in \mathbb{R}$  the set  $U_{\tau} := \{z \in \mathbb{C} : \Re(z) > \tau, z \notin Z_{-}\}$ , and  $U := \mathbb{C} \setminus Z_{-}$ .

(a) Show that the function defined by the complex improper Riemann integral

$$\Gamma(z) = \int_0^{+\infty} e^{-t} t^{z-1} dt$$

is well defined for all  $z \in U_1$ . (Here  $t^{z-1} = \exp((z-1)\log(t)))$ .

(b) Prove that  $\Gamma$  is holomorphic in  $U_1$ .

Hint: First show that the functions of the sequence  $(\Gamma_n)_{n\in\mathbb{N}}$  given by truncating the integral at height n  $(\Gamma_n(z) = \int_0^n e^{-t}t^{z-1} dt)$  are holomorphic. Then, show that  $\Gamma_n \to \Gamma$  uniformly in all compact subsets of  $U_1$ .

(c) Show that  $\Gamma(z+1) = z\Gamma(z)$  for all  $z \in U_1$ .

(d) Deduce that  $\Gamma$  allows a unique holomorphic extension to  $U_0$ .

(e) Deduce that  $\Gamma$  allows a unique holomorphic extension to U.