

Example $\int \frac{1}{x^3+x} = \ln|x| - \frac{1}{2} \ln|x-i| - \frac{1}{2} \ln|x+i| = \ln|x| - \frac{1}{2} \ln|x^2+1|$.

$K=\mathbb{Q}$
 $\mathbb{Q}(x)$
 $F=\mathbb{Q}(i)$
 $L=\mathbb{Q}$

$$\frac{1}{x^3+x} = \frac{1}{x(x-i)(x+i)} = \frac{1}{x} + \frac{-\frac{1}{2}}{x-i} + \frac{-\frac{1}{2}}{x+i}$$

$$R(z) = \text{res}(C - zD', D, \underline{x}) \quad C=1, D=x^3+x, D'=3x^2+1.$$

$$= \text{res}(1 - z(3x^2+1), x^3+x, x)$$

$$= \text{res}(\underbrace{(-3z)}_A x + \underbrace{(1-z)}_B, x^3+x, x)$$

$0, i, -i$

$$= (1-z)(1+z)^2$$

$m = \deg A \quad n = \deg B, \quad B(\beta_j) = 0$
 $\text{res}(A, B) = (-1)^{mn} \cdot \underline{C(B)}^m \cdot \prod_{j=1}^n A(\beta_j)$
 $= (-1)^{2 \cdot 3} \cdot 1^2 \cdot A(0) \cdot A(i) \cdot A(-i)$
 $= 1 \cdot (1-z)(1+z)(1+z)$

The distinct roots of $R(z)$ are $1, -\frac{1}{2} \Rightarrow \alpha_1=1, \alpha_2=-\frac{1}{2}$.

Then

$$v_i = \gcd(C - \alpha_i D', D)$$

$$v_1 = \gcd(1 - 1 \cdot (3x^2+1), x^3+x) = \gcd(-3x^2, x^3+x) = \underline{x}$$

$$v_2 = \gcd(1 - (-\frac{1}{2})(3x^2+1), x^3+x)$$

$$= \gcd(\frac{3}{2} + \frac{3}{2}x^2, x^3+x)$$

$$= \gcd(\frac{3}{2}(1+x^2), x(1+x^2)) = 1 \cdot \underline{x^2+1}$$

Thus $\int \frac{dx}{x^3+x} = 1 \cdot \ln|x| + -\frac{1}{2} \ln|x^2+1|$.

So $\int \frac{C}{D}$ depends on the roots of $R(z) = \text{res}(C - zD', D, x)$.

and not on the roots of $D(x)$. $R(z)$ is called the

Trager-Rothstein resultant. Can we compute $R(z)$ without factoring $D(x) = (x-\beta_1)(x-\beta_2)\dots$?

Yes, use the Euclidean algorithm or the det of Sylvester's matrix.

Let $A = a_m x^m + \dots + a_0$ and $B = b_n x^n + \dots + b_0$.
 Sylvester's matrix is the $m+n$ by $m+n$ matrix

$$S = \begin{bmatrix} a_m & a_{m-1} & \dots & a_0 & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ 0 & a_m & a_{m-1} & \dots & a_0 & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots \\ 0 & \dots & 0 & a_m & a_{m-1} & \dots & a_0 & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots \\ 0 & \dots & 0 & \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots \\ b_n & b_{n-1} & \dots & b_0 & 0 & \dots & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & b_n & b_{n-1} & \dots & b_0 & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots \\ 0 & \dots & 0 & \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots \end{bmatrix}$$

} n times
} m times.

Theorem: $\text{res}(A, B) = \det(S)$.

$C=1, D=x^3+x$ $\text{res}(C-zD, D) = \text{res}\left(\underbrace{(-3z)x + (-1)}_A, \underbrace{x^3+x}_B, x\right)$

$$S = \begin{bmatrix} -3z & 0 & 1-z & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -3z & 0 & 1-z & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -3z & 0 & 1-z \\ 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad S_{3,5}$$

$z(z)$ \uparrow

$$\det(S) = (1-z)(-1)^{3+5} \cdot \det(M)$$

$$= (1-z) \cdot 1 \cdot (1+2z)^2$$

$$= R(z).$$

$$M = \begin{bmatrix} -3z & 0 & 1-z & 0 \\ 0 & -3z & 0 & 1-z \\ 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{matrix} C_1 \leftarrow C_1 - C_3 \\ C_2 \leftarrow C_2 - C_4 \end{matrix} \begin{bmatrix} -1-2z & 0 & 1-z & 0 \\ 0 & -(-2z) & 0 & 1-z \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = N$$

$$\det(M) = \det(N) = (-1-2z)^2 = (1+2z)^2$$