

VII Series (review)

In order to proceed, we have to generalize the Taylor series to something called the Laurent series.

In this section, we briefly review some basic properties of series as they apply to complex numbers.

An infinite series

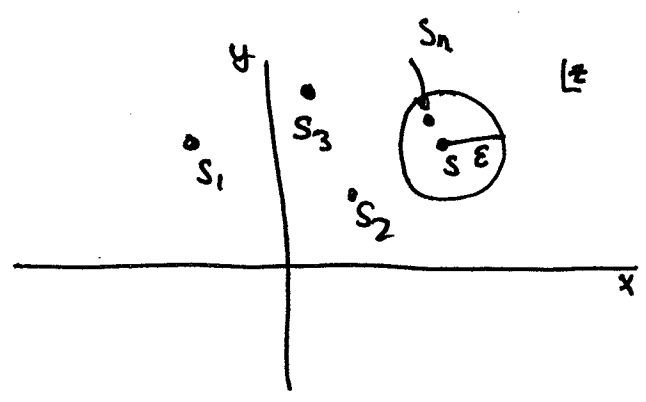
$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} z_n = z_1 + z_2 + \dots + z_n + \dots$$

converges to the sum S if the sequence

$$S_N = \sum_{n=1}^N z_n = z_1 + z_2 + \dots + z_N$$

of partial sums converges to S .

$$\lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} S_N = S \quad \left(\text{i.e. } \forall \epsilon > 0, \exists n_0 \text{ s.t. } |S_N - S| < \epsilon \text{ whenever } n > n_0 \right)$$



(i.e.) The partial sums get closer and closer to S as $n \rightarrow \infty$.

Theorem

Suppose $Z_n = x_n + iy_n$ and $S = X + iY$, then

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} Z_n = S$$

iff and only if $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} x_n = X$ and $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} y_n = Y$.

This theorem means that both the real and imaginary parts separately converge as real sums.

A complex series is said to be absolutely convergent if the series

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} |z_n| = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \sqrt{x_n^2 + y_n^2} \text{ of real numbers converges.}$$

Corollary The absolute convergence of a series of complex numbers implies the convergence of that series.

Useful to define remainder P_N after N terms

$$P_N = S - S_N.$$

Since $S = S_N + P_N$ and $|S_N - S| = |P_N|$

A series converges to a number S iff the sequence of remainders

tends to zero.

Example

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Verify $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} z^n = \frac{1}{1-z}$ whenever $|z| < 1$

$$S_N(z) = \sum_{n=0}^N z^n = 1 + z + z^2 + \dots + z^N = \frac{1-z^{N+1}}{1-z}$$

$$p_N(z) = -S_N(z) + S(z) = \frac{z^{N+1}}{1-z}$$

$$\text{So } p_N(z) = \frac{|z|^{N+1}}{|1-z|}$$

as $N \rightarrow \infty$ we know $|z|^{N+1} \rightarrow \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } |z| < 1 \\ \infty & \text{if } |z| > 1. \end{cases}$

Thus, series converges for $|z| < 1$.

VIII Taylor Series + Laurent Series

We now generalize the familiar notion of a Taylor series.

Theorem Suppose that a function f is analytic throughout a disk $|z - z_0| < R_0$, centered at z_0 and with radius R_0 . Then $f(z)$ has a power series representation

$$f(z) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n (z - z_0)^n \quad (|z - z_0| < R) \quad (1)$$

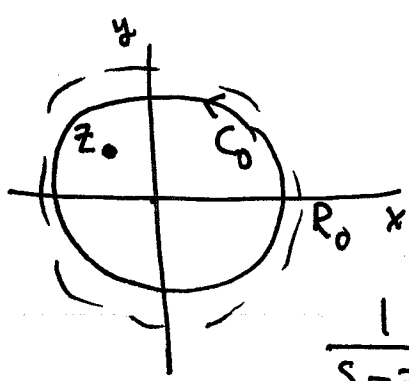
where $a_n = \frac{f^{(n)}(z_0)}{n!} = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int \frac{f(z)}{(z - z_0)^{n+1}} dz$, $n = 0, 1, 2, \dots$

That is series (1) converges to $f(z)$ when z lies in the stated open disk.

Called Maclurin series

Proof We prove for the case $z_0=0$. The general proof is almost same

So now write



$$f(z) = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{C_0} \frac{f(s) ds}{s-z_0}$$

Now notice $|z/s| < 1$ from picture

$$\frac{1}{s-z} = \frac{1}{s} \left(\frac{1}{1-z/s} \right)$$

~~...~~

$$= 1 + \left(\frac{z}{s}\right) + \left(\frac{z}{s}\right)^2 + \dots$$

~~... terms~~

$$f(z) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{z^n}{2\pi i} \int_{C_0} \frac{f(s)}{s^{n+1}} ds$$

$$f(z) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} z^n \frac{f^{(n)}(0)}{n!}$$

> Derivative formula (physics "proof")

So we have proven Taylor series exists using Contour integration.

The Taylor expansions are same as before. However, the don't always exists

Example

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

Here we see there is a singularity at zero. Let us "factor it out"

$$f(z) = \frac{1}{z^3} \left(2 - \frac{1}{1+z^2} \right)$$

This has good Taylor series around zero ($z=0$)

$$\frac{1}{1+z^2} = 1 - z^2 + z^4 - z^6 + \dots$$

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

Notice that "negative powers" of z appear.

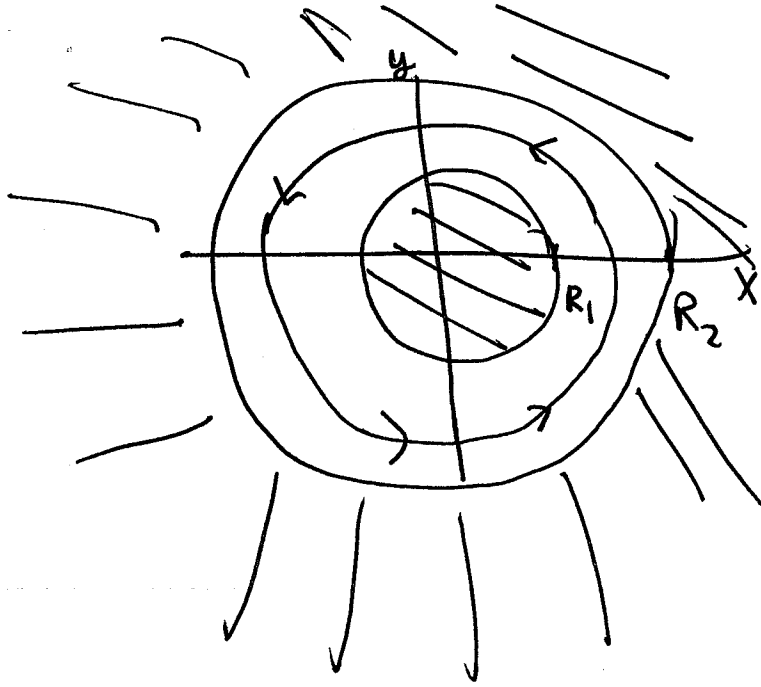
Such expansions where negative powers appear are called Laurent series!

Theorem

Suppose a function f is analytic throughout an annular domain $R_1 < |z - z_0| < R_2$ centered at z_0 , and let C denote any positively oriented simple contour around z_0 in that domain, Then at each point in the domain, $f(z)$ has a series representation

$$f(z) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n (z - z_0)^n + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{b_n}{(z - z_0)^n} \quad (R_1 < |z - z_0| < R_2)$$





where

$$a_n = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_C \frac{f(z) dz}{(z-z_0)^{n+1}}$$

$$b_n = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_C (z-z_0)^{n-1} f(z) dz$$

Alternatively, we can write

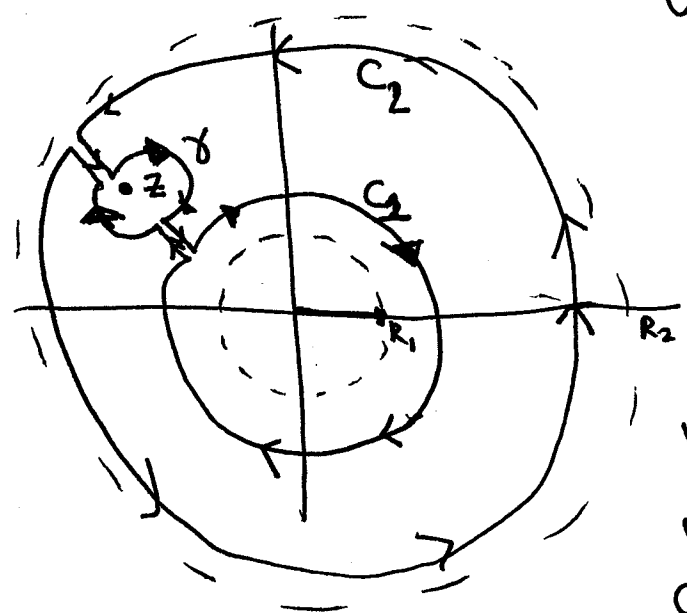
$$f(z) = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} C_n (z-z_0)^n$$

Laurent series

$$C_n = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_C \frac{f(z)}{(z-z_0)^{n+1}} dz$$

($n = 0, \pm 1, \pm 2, \pm 3, \dots$)

Proof



Using the contour shown on left we can conclude

$$\int_{C_2} \frac{f(s) ds}{s-z} = \int_{C_1} \frac{f(s)}{s-z} - \int_{\gamma} \frac{f(s) ds}{s-z} = 0$$

Where C_2 is outer circle with C.C.W. orientation.

C_1 is ~~outer~~ inner circle with C.C.W. orientation (opposite of diagram)

and γ is circle around z_0 with C.C.W. orientation (opposite of diagram)

We know that

$$\int_{\gamma} \frac{f(s) ds}{s-z} = 2\pi i f(z)$$

So we have

$$f(z) = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{C_2} \frac{f(s) ds}{s-z} + \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{C_1} \frac{f(s) ds}{z-s}$$

Notice for C_2 $|\frac{z}{s}| < 1$

switched signs

whereas for C_1 $|\frac{s}{z}| < 1$. So we can just do same trick as before and expand

$$f(z) = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{C_2} \frac{1}{s} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \left(\frac{z}{s}\right)^n ds + \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{C_1} \frac{1}{z} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \left(\frac{s}{z}\right)^n ds$$

~~$$\frac{1}{2\pi i} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} z^n \int_{C_2} \frac{1}{s^{n+1}} ds + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{z^n} \int_{C_1} \frac{f(s)}{s^{n+1}} ds =$$~~

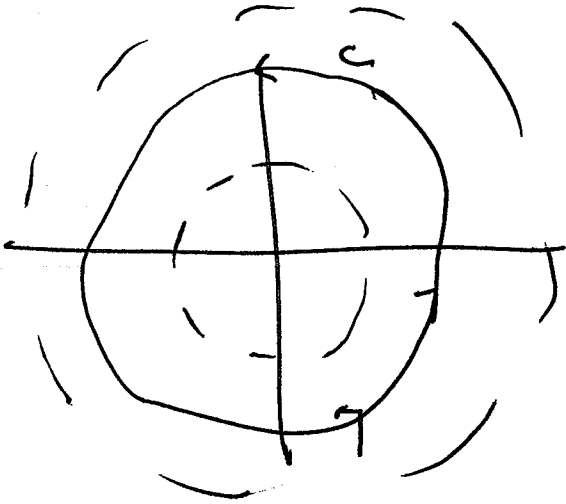
$$f(z) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n z^n + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} b_n z^{-n}$$

$$a_n = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{C_2} \frac{f(s) ds}{s^{n+1}}$$

$$b_n = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{C_1} \frac{f(s) ds}{s^{n+1}}$$

Using the fact that integral around any curve in annulus is same, we ~~so~~ can replace C_1 and C_2 by generic curve C in region to complete

proof!



Example Replacing z by $\frac{1}{2}$ in the expansion

$$e^z = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{z^n}{n!} = 1 + \frac{z}{1!} + \frac{z^2}{2!} + \dots$$

We have

$$e^{1/2} = 1 + \frac{1}{1!} + \frac{1}{2!} + \dots$$

We know that coefficient on "negative power" terms are

$$b_n = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_C \frac{f(z)}{(z-z_0)^{n+1}} \quad n=1, 2, \dots$$

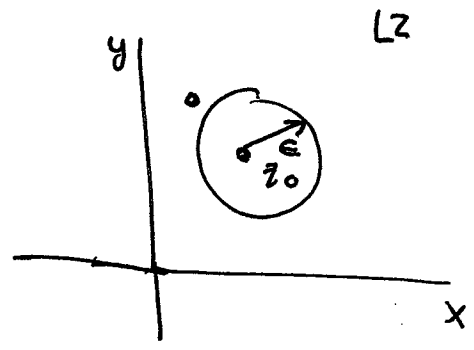
$$\text{Where } f(z) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n (z-z_0)^n + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{b_n}{(z-z_0)^n}$$

$$\text{Thus, integral } \int_C f(z) = 2\pi i (b_1) = 2\pi i$$

This is example of something called "residue" theorem we will revisit in a few pages.

IX Residues + Singularities : Poles + Branch Cuts + Residues

A point z_0 is called a singular point of a function if f fails to be analytic at z_0 but is analytic at some point in every neighborhood of z_0 . An isolated singular point is a singular point that meets the additional criterion that there is a deleted neighborhood $0 < |z - z_0| < \epsilon$ of z_0 through out f is analytic.



In other words, there are no singularities arbitrarily close to z_0 .

These kind of distinctions become important when one is dealing with fractal structures!

Example 1

$f(z) = \frac{1}{z^2 + 1}$ $f'(z) = \frac{-2z}{(z^2 + 1)^2}$

This clearly has isolated singular points at $z = \pm i$ because derivative does not exist there but exists for every neighborhood of $z = \pm i$.

Example 2 Consider the ~~log z~~ multi-valued function

$f(z) = \log z$

Now we can write

$\log z = r + i(\theta + 2\pi n)$ $n = 0, \pm 1, \pm 2$

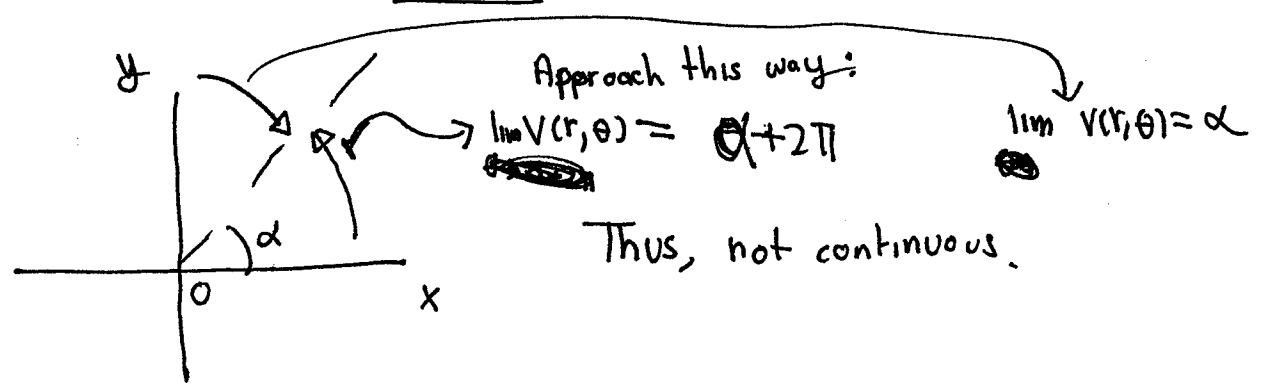
If we let α denote any real number and restrict the value of θ in expression so that $\alpha < \theta < \alpha + 2\pi$ the function

$$\log z = \ln r + i\theta \quad (r > 0, \alpha < \theta < \alpha + 2\pi)$$

with components

$$u(r, \theta) = \ln r \quad \text{and} \quad v(r, \theta) = \theta$$

is single valued and continuous. If we define on the ray $\theta = \alpha$ it would not be continuous



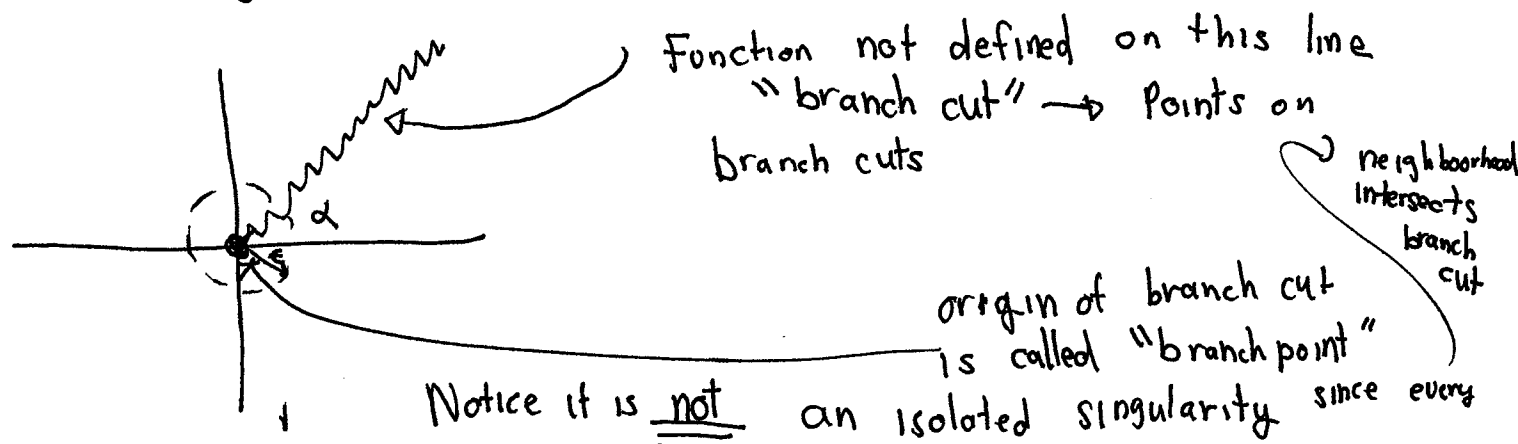
Furthermore, can show that C.R. equations are satisfied

Polar form: $r U_r = V_\theta \quad U_\theta = -r V_r$

Thus, is analytic for this choice

So we can define Single Valued Function $\text{Log } z$ by restricting to $\alpha < \theta < \alpha + 2\pi$

$$\text{Log } z = \log z \quad (r > 0, \alpha < \theta < \alpha + 2\pi)$$



Residues

Recall that for any function ~~analytic~~ it is analytic $f(z)$ with isolated singularity at z_0 , Δ in the domain

$0 < |z - z_0| < R_2$ with

$$f(z) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n(z-z_0)^n + \frac{b_1}{(z-z_0)} + \frac{b_2}{(z-z_0)^2} + \dots$$

$$b_n = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_C \frac{f(z)}{(z-z_0)^{-n+1}} \quad (n=1, 2, \dots)$$

So we know

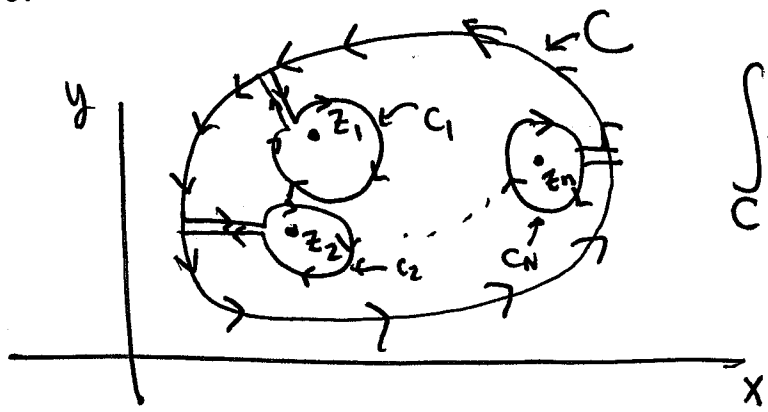
$$\int_C f(z) dz = 2\pi i b_1$$

The complex number b_1 , which is the coefficient of $\frac{1}{z-z_0}$ is called the residue of f at z_0 .

We already saw this earlier.

Now consider the case where there are ~~an~~ finite number of isolated singularities z_k ($k=1, 2, \dots, n$) inside a

Contour C



Then from picture we know

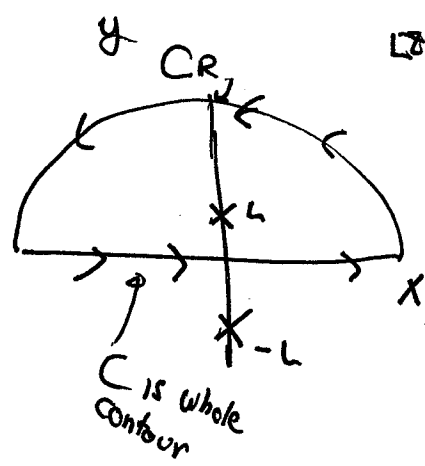
$$\int_C f(z) dz = \sum_{j=1}^N \int_{C_j} f(z) dz \quad \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{(usual} \\ \text{argument} \\ \text{from} \\ \text{picture} \\ \text{on left} \end{array} \right.$$
$$= \sum_{j=1}^N 2\pi i \operatorname{Res} f(z)_{z=z_k}$$

Example

Consider integral

$$\frac{\pi}{2} = \int_0^{\infty} \frac{dx}{x^2+1} = \frac{1}{2} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{1}{x^2+1} dx$$

call this I



So we have

$$I \rightarrow \int_{C_R} \frac{1}{z^2+1} dz = \int_C \frac{dz}{z^2+1}$$

$$I = \int_C \frac{dz}{z^2+1} - \int_{C_R} \frac{1}{z^2+1} dz$$

$$= \int_C \frac{dz}{z^2+1} - \int_{C_R} \frac{1}{z^2+1} dz$$

$$= 2\pi i \operatorname{Res}(L) - 0$$

To see is zero
notice that when $|z|=R$
 $|f(z)| \leq \frac{1}{R^2}$
So
 $|\int_{C_R} f(z) dz| \leq \frac{\pi R}{R^2}$
 $\int_{C_R} f(z) dz \rightarrow 0$ as $R \rightarrow \infty$

So now calculate residue at $z=L$

$$\frac{1}{z^2+1} = \frac{1}{z+L} \left(\frac{1}{z-L} \right)$$

$$= \frac{1}{z+L} \approx \frac{1}{z+L} \Big|_{z=L} + \left(\frac{1}{z+L} \right)' \Big|_{z=L} (z-L) + \dots$$

Taylor expand

$$= \frac{1}{2L} - \frac{1}{(2L)^2} (z-L) + \dots$$

So residue is

$$\frac{1}{2L} \Rightarrow I = \pi \Rightarrow \int_0^{\infty} \frac{dx}{1+x^2} = \frac{1}{2} I = \frac{\pi}{2}$$

Residue at Poles + Residues at infinity

Theorem An isolate point z_0 of a function f

is a "pole" of "order m " iff

$$f(z) = \frac{\phi(z)}{(z-z_0)^m}$$

where $\phi(z)$ is analytic and non-zero at z_0 .

Switch order

$$\text{Res}_{z=z_0} f(z) = \frac{\phi^{(m-1)}(z_0)}{(m-1)!}$$

where $\phi^{(0)}(z_0) = \phi(z_0)$

Definition

~~Lemma~~ $f(z)$ has a pole of order m at z_0 if the Laurent series of $f(z)$ is on the form

$$f(z) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n(z-z_0)^n + \frac{b_1}{z-z_0} + \frac{b_2}{(z-z_0)^2} + \dots + \frac{b_m}{(z-z_0)^m}$$

Proof

Write $f(z)$ in Taylor series

$$f(z) = \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} \frac{\phi^{(j)}(z_0)}{j!} \frac{(z-z_0)^j}{(z-z_0)^m} = \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} \frac{\phi^{(j)}(z_0)}{j!} (z-z_0)^{m-j}$$

$\text{Res}_{z=z_0} f(z)$ is coefficient on $\frac{1}{z-z_0}$ term, in this

$$\text{Case} = \frac{\phi^{(m-1)}(z_0)}{(m-1)!}$$

Converse follows similarly.

Example 1 Consider two functions $p(z)$ and $q(z)$ which are analytic at z_0 . If $p(z_0) \neq 0$, $q(z_0) = 0$ and $q'(z_0) \neq 0$

then

$$\operatorname{Res}_{z=z_0} \frac{p(z)}{q(z)} = \frac{p(z_0)}{q'(z_0)}$$

because

$$\frac{p(z)}{q(z)} = \frac{p(z)}{(z-z_0)g(z)} = \frac{\phi(z)}{(z-z_0)}$$

$$\text{where } \phi(z) = \frac{p(z)}{g(z)}$$

Since this implies

$$\operatorname{Res}_{z=z_0} \frac{p(z)}{q(z)} = \phi(z_0) = \frac{p(z_0)}{g(z_0)} = \frac{p(z_0)}{q'(z_0)}$$

Here we have used $g(z_0) = q'(z_0)$ since

$$q(z) = (z-z_0)q'(z_0) + (z-z_0)^2 \frac{q''(z_0)}{2!} + \dots$$

$$= (z-z_0) [g(z)]$$

So all higher derivatives terms are zero

Example 2

$$f(z) = \cot z = \frac{\cos z}{\sin z}$$

Singularities at $z = n\pi$ $n \in \mathbb{Z}$ ($n=0, \pm 1, \pm 2, \dots$)

notice $\frac{d}{dz} \sin z = \cos z$ so that example above applies

$$\operatorname{Res}_{z=n\pi} \cot z = \frac{\cos n\pi}{\cos n\pi} = 1$$