

## Laurent Series

Defn - A neighborhood of  $\infty$  is any open set in  $\mathbb{C}$  containing the complement of a closed bdd disc.

- If  $f$  is analytic in a nbhd of  $\infty$ , say it vanishes at  $\infty$  if  $\lim_{z \rightarrow \infty} f(z) = 0$ .

Lemma If  $h$  is analytic on  $\mathbb{C} - \bar{D}_r(z_0)$  and vanishes at  $\infty$ , then

$$g(w) = \begin{cases} h(w + z_0) & \text{if } w \neq 0 \\ 0 & \text{if } w = 0 \end{cases}$$

is analytic on  $D_{1/r}(0)$ .

Pf  $\frac{1}{w} + z_0 \in \mathbb{C} - \bar{D}_r(z_0)$  iff  $\frac{1}{|w|} > r$  iff  $w \in D_{1/r}(0)$ .

Clearly  $g$  is analytic on  $D_{1/r}(0) - \{0\}$  and

$\lim_{w \rightarrow 0} g(w) = 0$  so  $g$  is analytic on  $D_{1/r}(0)$ .  $\square$

Defn An open annulus centered at  $z_0$  is a set of the form

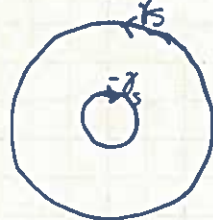
$$A = \{z \in \mathbb{C} \mid r < |z - z_0| < R\}$$

where  $0 \leq r < R \leq \infty$ .

For  $r < s < S < R$  consider  $\gamma_s, \gamma_S$  in  $A$  pos around  $|w - z_0| = s, |w - z_0| = S$ .

Define  $\Gamma = \gamma_S - \gamma_s$ . Then

$$\text{Ind}_{\Gamma}(z) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } |z - z_0| > S \\ 1 & \text{if } s < |z - z_0| < S \\ 0 & \text{if } |z - z_0| < s. \end{cases}$$



Hence  $\Gamma$  nullhomologous in  $A$ , so if  $f$  is analytic on  $A$ , then

$$\frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{\Gamma} \frac{f(w)}{w - z} dw = \begin{cases} 0 \\ f(z) \\ 0 \end{cases}$$

Then if  $s, S$  are on the same side of  $|z-z_0|$ ,

$$\frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{\gamma_S} \frac{f(w)}{w-z} dw = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{\gamma_s} \frac{f(w)}{w-z} dw.$$

If  $s, S$  are on opp sides of  $|z-z_0|$ ,

$$f(z) = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{\gamma_S} \frac{f(w)}{w-z} dw - \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{\gamma_s} \frac{f(w)}{w-z} dw.$$

Thm If  $f$  is analytic on an annulus  $A$  then  $\exists!$  way to write

$$f(z) = g(z) - h(z) \text{ for } z \in A$$

where  $g$  is analytic on  $D_R(z_0)$ , and  $h$  is analytic on  $\mathbb{C} - \bar{D}_r(z_0)$  and vanishes at  $\infty$ .

Pf Define  $g$  as follows: if  $|z-z_0| < R$ , choose  $S$  with  $|z-z_0| < S$  and  $r < S < R$ . Set  $g(z) = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{\gamma_S} \frac{f(w)}{w-z} dw$ . By above, this doesn't depend on choice of  $S$  with  $|z-z_0| < S < R$ .

Define  $h$  on  $\mathbb{C} - \bar{D}_r(z_0)$  as follows: for  $|z-z_0| > r$ , choose  $s$  s.t.  $r < s < R$ ,  $s < |z-z_0|$ . Set

$$h(z) = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{\gamma_s} \frac{f(w)}{w-z} dw$$

which doesn't depend on  $s$ .

If  $z \in A$ ,  $f(z) = g(z) - h(z)$  by prior work. Use Morera to get that  $g, h$  are analytic in appropriate domains

•  $h(z) \rightarrow 0$  as  $z \rightarrow \infty$ : simple check.

• uniqueness: Identity Thm □

### Laurent Series Expansion

Thm If  $f$  is analytic on annulus  $A$ , then  $f$  has a unique rep'n of the form  $f(z) = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} c_n (z-z_0)^n$  which converges to  $f$  at all pts of  $A$  and converges unif on cpt subsets of  $A$ .

Pf Write  $f = g - h$  as in previous thm. Then

$$g(z) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} c_n (z - z_0)^n \text{ on } D_R(z_0)$$

and  $g(w)$  as in Lemma is analytic on  $D_{r_1}(z_0)$  with  $g(z_0) = 0$

$$\Rightarrow g(w) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} b_n w^n = h(w + z_0)$$

Subbing  $z = \frac{1}{w} + z_0$  (i.e.  $w = (z - z_0)^{-1}$ ) get

$$h(z) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} b_n (z - z_0)^{-n}$$

$$\text{Set } c_n = -b_n \text{ for } n < 0 \text{ to get } h(z) = - \sum_{n=-\infty}^{-1} c_n (z - z_0)^{n+1}$$

Then  $f = g - h$  on  $A$  gives  $f(z) = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} c_n (z - z_0)^{n+1}$ .  $\square$

e.g.  $f(z) = \frac{1}{(z-1)(z-2)}$  on  $A = \{1 < |z| < 2\}$

If  $g(z) = \frac{1}{z-2}$  for  $|z| < 2$  and  $h(z) = \frac{1}{z-1}$  for  $|z| > 1$ , then

$f = g - h$  on  $A$  and  $h(z) \rightarrow 0$  at  $\infty$ .

$$g(z) = \frac{-1/2}{1 - z/2} = -\frac{1}{2} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{z^n}{2^n} \text{ in } D_2(z_0)$$

$$h(z) = \frac{1}{z-1} = \frac{1/z}{1 - 1/z} = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{z^n} \text{ on } C - \bar{D}_1(z_0). \text{ Thus}$$

$$f(z) = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{-1} (-1) z^{n+1} + \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{-1}{2^{n+1}} z^{n+1} \text{ on } A.$$

Read on  $D_1(z_0) - \{z_0\}$ ,  $f'(z) = - \sum_{n=-1}^{\infty} (z-1)^n$ .

e.g.  $f(z) = e^{1/z}$  analytic on  $C - \{0\}$ ,  $f(z) \rightarrow 1$  as  $z \rightarrow \infty$  so

$$g(z) = 1, h(z) = 1 - e^{1/z}, f(z) = \sum_{n=-\infty}^0 \frac{z^n}{|n|!}$$

Thm [Integral formula for Laurent series coeffs] If  $A = \{r < |z - z_0| < R\}$ ,  $f$  analytic on  $A$ ,  $r < s < R$ , then the Laurent series of  $f$  on  $A$  has coeffs

$$c_k = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{|w - z_0| = s} \frac{f(w)}{(w - z_0)^{k+1}} dw$$

Pf We have  $\frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{|w-z_0|=r} \frac{f(w)}{(w-z_0)^{k+1}} dw = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} c_n \int_{|w-z_0|=r} (w-z_0)^{n-k-1} dw$

$$\int_0^{2\pi} r^{n-k} e^{i(n-k)t} dt$$

$$= \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } n \neq k \\ 2\pi i & \text{if } n = k \end{cases} \quad \square$$

## The Residue Theorem

$D_r(z_0) - \{z_0\}$  is an annulus so when  $f$  is analytic on  $D_r(z_0) - \{z_0\}$  with isolated singularity at  $z_0$ , then  $f(z) = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} c_n (z-z_0)^n$

Defn The coefficient of  $(z-z_0)^{-1}$  is the residue of  $f$  at  $z_0$ .

$$\text{Res}(f, z_0) := c_{-1}.$$

e.g.  $\text{Res}\left(\frac{g(z)}{z-z_0}, z_0\right) = g(z_0)$   
for  $g$  analytic on open  $\ni z_0$ .

Thm For  $f$  analytic on  $D_R(z_0) - \{z_0\}$  with isolated sing at  $z_0$  and  $0 < r < R$ ,

$$\text{Res}(f, z_0) = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{|z-z_0|=r} f(z) dz. \quad \square$$

Residue Theorem Let  $f$  be analytic on  $U - E$ ,  $U \subseteq \mathbb{C}$  open,  $E$  discrete subset of  $U$ . If  $\gamma$  is a closed path in  $U - E$  which is homologous to 0 in  $U$ , then

(a) there are only finitely many pts of  $E$  at which  $\text{Ind}_\gamma$  is nonzero

(b) if these pts are  $\{z_1, \dots, z_n\} \subseteq E$ , then

$$\frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_\gamma f(z) dz = \sum_{j=1}^n \text{Ind}_\gamma(z_j) \text{Res}(f, z_j).$$

Pf (a) Choose  $r > 0$  s.t.  $\gamma(I) \subseteq D_r(0)$ . Then the bdd cpts of  $\mathbb{C} - \gamma(I)$  are inside  $D_r(0)$ .  $\text{Ind}_\gamma$  is nonzero only on (some) bdd cpts of  $\mathbb{C} - \gamma(I)$ . Thus  $\gamma(I) \cup \{\text{cpts of } \mathbb{C} - \gamma(I) \text{ on which } \text{Ind}_\gamma \text{ is nonzero}\}$  is a bdd set  $K$ .  $K = \mathbb{C} \cup \{\text{cpts of } \mathbb{C} - \gamma(I) \text{ on which } \text{Ind}_\gamma = 0\}$  so  $K$  is closed. Thus  $K$  is compact.

Since  $\gamma$  nullhom in  $U$ ,  $K \subseteq U$ . Choose for each point of  $U$  an open disc containing either no sings, or only one sing at its center. (Possible since  $E$  discrete.) This is an open cover of  $K$  hence it contains a finite subcover.  $\Rightarrow$  only finitely many sings of  $f$  in  $K$ .  $\checkmark$  (a)

(b) Let  $z_1, \dots, z_n$  be the sings of  $f$  at which  $\text{Ind}_\gamma \neq 0$ . For each  $z_j$  choose  $r_j > 0$  s.t.  $\bar{D}_{r_j}(z_j) \subseteq U - \gamma$ . Choose  $0 < r < \min\{r_1, \dots, r_n\}$  s.t.  $\bigcap_{j=1}^n \bar{D}_r(z_j) = \emptyset$ . Then set  $m_j = \text{Ind}_\gamma(z_j)$  and define 1-cycle  $\Gamma = \gamma - \sum_{j=1}^n m_j \gamma_j$  with  $\gamma_j(t) = z_j + r e^{2\pi i t}$  for  $t \in [0, 1]$ .



Have each  $\bar{D}_r(z_j) \subseteq K \subseteq U \Rightarrow \mathbb{C} - U \subseteq \bar{D}_r(z_j)$   
 $\Rightarrow \text{Ind}_\gamma(z_j) = 0$  on  $z \in \mathbb{C} - U$ , and same for  $\gamma$ .  
 Thus  $\Gamma$  is nullhomologous in  $U$ .

Also have  $\text{Ind}_\gamma(z_j) = m_j = m_j \text{Ind}_{\gamma_j}(z_j)$   
 and  $m_j \text{Ind}_{\gamma_j}(z_k) = 0$  for  $k \neq j$ .

Thus  $\Gamma$  is also nullhomologous in  $U - E$  where  $f$  is analytic.  
 By the general Cauchy integral formula,

$$0 = \int_{\Gamma} f(z) dz = \int_{\gamma} f(z) dz - \sum_{j=1}^n m_j \int_{\gamma_j} f(z) dz.$$

$\underbrace{\int_{\gamma_j} f(z) dz}_{\text{Ind}_{\gamma_j}(z_j) \text{ Res}(f, z_j)}$

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e.g. Let  $\gamma$  be a simple closed path with 1, 2 inside  $\gamma(\mathbb{I})$ .

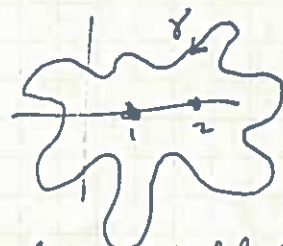
We determine  $\int_{\gamma} \underbrace{\frac{z+1}{(z-1)(z-2)}}_{f(z)} dz = 2\pi i (\text{Res}(f, 1) + \text{Res}(f, 2))$ .

Let  $g(z) = \frac{z+1}{z-2}$  so that  $g$  is analytic at 1 and  $f(z) = \frac{g(z)}{z-1}$ .

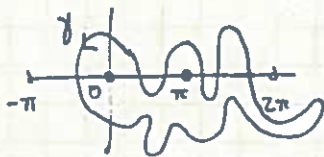
Thus  $\text{Res}(f, 1) = g(1) = -2$ . Working similarly with

$h(z) = \frac{z+1}{z-1}$ , get  $\text{Res}(f, 2) = h(2) = 3$ . Thus

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



e.g.



$f(z) = \frac{1}{\sin z}$  has isolated singularities inside  $\gamma$  at 0 and  $\pi$ . The function  $g(z) = \frac{z}{\sin(z)}$

has a removable singularity at 0 and the value of the corresponding analytic function at 0 is 1. Thus  $\text{Res}(f, 0) = 1$ . Since  $\sin(z) = -\sin(z-\pi)$ ,

$h(z) = \frac{z-\pi}{\sin(z)} = -\frac{z-\pi}{\sin(z-\pi)}$  has a removable singularity at  $z=\pi$  and

corresponding value at  $\pi$  is -1. Thus  $\text{Res}(f, \pi) = -1$ . By the Residue Theorem,

$$\int_{\gamma} \frac{dz}{\sin z} = 0.$$

### Counting zeros and poles

Recall:  $f$  meromorphic on  $U$  means it is analytic on  $U-E$  where  $E \subseteq U$  is discrete and  $f$  has poles on  $E$ .

Thm If  $f$  is meromorphic on  $U$  and  $z_0 \in U$ , then

$$\text{Res}(f'/f, z_0) = k,$$

where  $k = \begin{cases} \text{order of the zero of } f \text{ at } z_0 \\ -(\text{order of the pole of } f \text{ at } z_0) \\ 0 \text{ no zero or pole at } z_0 \end{cases}$ .

PF May factor  $f(z) = (z-z_0)^k g(z)$  where  $g$  is meromorphic on  $U$  with no zero or pole at  $z_0$ . Then

$$f'(z) = k(z-z_0)^{k-1} g(z) + (z-z_0)^k g'(z)$$

$$\text{so } \frac{f'(z)}{f(z)} = \frac{k}{z-z_0} + \frac{g'(z)}{g(z)}$$

Since  $g'/g$  is analytic at  $z_0$ ,  $\text{Res}(f'/f, z_0) = k$ .  $\square$

Combined with the residue thm, we get:

Thm Let  $f$  be meromorphic on  $U \subseteq \mathbb{C}$  open and let  $\gamma$  be a closed path in  $U$  homologous to 0 in  $U$ . Assume no zeroes or poles of  $f$  on  $\gamma(I)$ , and suppose the zeroes and poles of  $f$  at which  $\text{Ind}_\gamma \neq 0$  are  $z_1, \dots, z_n$ . Set  $k_j = \begin{cases} \text{order of the zero of } f \text{ at } z_j \\ -(\text{order of the pole of } f \text{ at } z_j) \end{cases}$

and  $m_j = \text{Ind}_\gamma(z_j)$ . Then

$$\frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_\gamma \frac{f'(z)}{f(z)} dz = \sum_{j=1}^n m_j k_j \quad \square$$

Cor For  $U, f, z_1, \dots, z_n, k_1, \dots, k_n, \gamma$  as in Thm, if we create the new path  $f \circ \gamma$  then  $\sum_{j=1}^n m_j k_j = \text{Ind}_{f \circ \gamma}(0)$ .

Pf If  $\gamma: [a, b] \rightarrow U$  then

$$\text{Ind}_{f \circ \gamma}(0) = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{f \circ \gamma} \frac{1}{z} dz = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_a^b \frac{(f \circ \gamma)'(t)}{f \circ \gamma(t)} dt$$

$$= \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_a^b \frac{f'(\gamma(t)) \gamma'(t)}{f(\gamma(t))} dt = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_\gamma \frac{f'(z)}{f(z)} dz.$$

$$= \sum m_j k_j \quad \square$$

Cor If  $\gamma$  is a simple closed path, we get the above formulae with  $m_j = 1$ .

Application Suppose  $f$  is meromorphic in a convex open  $U \subseteq \mathbb{C}$ .

Suppose the only zero of  $f$  in  $U$  is at  $z_1$  of order  $k$ , and the only pole of  $f$  in  $U$  is at  $z_2$ , also of order  $k$ . Then

$\exists$  analytic  $g: U - [z_1, z_2] \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$  s.t.  $f(z) = e^{g(z)}$  for  $z \in U - [z_1, z_2]$ .  
(Call  $g$  a logarithm of  $f$ .)



Pf Let  $V = U - [z_1, z_2]$ . If  $\gamma$  is a closed path in  $V$ , then  $\gamma$  is homologous to 0 in  $U$  since  $U$  is convex. Note  $\text{Ind}_\gamma(z_1) = \text{Ind}_\gamma(z_2)$  since  $z_1, z_2$  are connected by a line segment in  $\mathbb{C} - V$  hence are in the same connected component of  $\mathbb{C} - \gamma(I)$ . Thus

$$\frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_\gamma \frac{f'}{f} = \text{Ind}_\gamma(z_1)k - \text{Ind}_\gamma(z_2)k = 0. \quad \textcircled{*}$$

Take  $z_0 \in V$  fixed and  $z$  varying in  $V$ . Let  $\gamma_z$  be a path in  $V$  beginning at  $z_0$ , ending at  $z$ . Then

$$h(z) = \int_{\gamma_z} f'/f$$

is independent of the choice of path  $\gamma_z$  by  $\textcircled{*}$ .

Furthermore  $h$  is a primitive of  $f'/f$ , i.e.  $h' = f'/f$ , whence

$$\begin{aligned} (f e^{-h})' &= f' e^{-h} - f h' e^{-h} \\ &= f' e^{-h} - f' e^{-h} \\ &= 0. \end{aligned}$$

Thus  $f e^{-h} = C$ , constant, i.e.  $f = C e^h$ .

Set  $g(z) = h(z) + \log(C)$  to get  $e^{g(z)} = e^{h(z)} f(z) e^{-h(z)} = f(z)$  where  $\log$  is any branch of the logarithm.  $\square$