

Stuff:

- Exam on Tuesday October 25th in class (full time)
- HW 7 due tomorrow
- Office Hours on Friday 1-2:30pm EH3855
- Math Club!
- Popcorn Thursdays/Bagel Sundays!
- Super Saturdays!
- Voting t-shirts
- Student seminar tomorrow (Topic: Conway's topograph by Xuyan), EH 3096 4pm-5pm.

No content from today on the midterm. HW8 will be based on today and will be received tuesday after midterm.

## I. Laurent Series

### I.1. Laurent Decomposition

This is Gamelin Ch. VI, 1-4 [Gam03], and [Ahl53] 5.1.

Motivating Question: Let  $D \subseteq \mathbb{C}$  be open and connected, and let

$$A(D) := \{f : D \rightarrow \mathbb{C} \mid f \text{ is analytic on } D\}.$$

How do we understand this?

#### Example I.1.1

If  $D = B_R(z_0)$  or  $D = \mathbb{C}$  then

$$A(D) = \left\{ f(z) = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} a_k (z - z_0)^k \mid \limsup_{k \rightarrow \infty} |a_k|^{1/k} \leq \frac{1}{R} \right\}.$$

#### Example I.1.2

Consider  $D = \widehat{\mathbb{C}} \setminus \overline{B_r(0)}$ . That is analytic on an open disk about  $\infty$ .

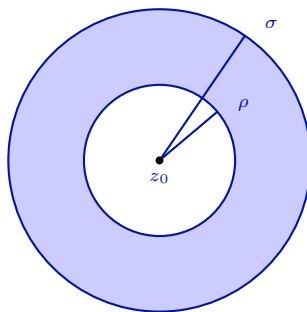
This is  $D = \{|z| > r\} \cup \{\infty\}$ . Setting  $w = 1/z$ . This is the same as

$$\begin{aligned} A(D) &= \{f \mid f(z) \text{ analytic on } |z| > r \text{ and } z = \infty\} \\ &\cong \{g \mid g(w) \text{ analytic on } |w| < 1/r\}. \end{aligned}$$

What about the intersection of these? This will be an annulus, and the space  $A(D)$  will be larger, as the domain is smaller and so it is *easier* to be analytic here.

#### Theorem I.1.1 (Laurent Decomposition Theorem)

Suppose  $0 \leq \rho < \sigma \leq \infty$  and suppose  $f(z)$  is analytic for  $\rho < |z - z_0| < \sigma$ . That is, suppose  $f$  is analytic on an annulus



Then  $f(z)$  can be decomposed as a sum  $f(z) = f_0(z) + f_1(z)$  where  $f_0(z)$  is analytic on  $|z - z_0| < \sigma$  and  $f_1(z)$  is analytic on  $|z - z_0| > \rho$  and at  $z = \infty$ .

If we normalize so that  $f_1(\infty) = 0$ , then this decomposition is unique.

*Proof of Uniqueness.* Suppose we have  $f(z) = f_0(z) + f_1(z) = g_0(z) + g_1(z)$ , and normalize so that  $f_1(\infty) = g_1(\infty)$ . Then we have that

$$g_0(z) - f_0(z) = f_1(z) - g_1(z)$$


for all  $\rho < |z - z_0| < \sigma$ . We know that  $g_0(z) - f_0(z)$  is analytic on  $|z - z_0| < \sigma$ . Likewise  $f_1(z) - g_1(z)$  is analytic in  $|z - z_0| > \rho$  and at  $z = \infty$ . We may define

$$h : \mathbb{C} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$$

$$z \mapsto \begin{cases} g_0(z) - f_0(z) & \text{if } |z - z_0| < \sigma \\ f_1(z) - g_1(z) & \text{if } |z - z_0| > \rho \end{cases}.$$

We see that  $h$  is entire, and

$$\lim_{z \rightarrow \infty} h(z) = f_1(\infty) - g_1(\infty) = 0.$$

Thus  $h$  is bounded on  $\mathbb{C}$ , and so it is a constant by Liouville's Theorem. Thus  $h = 0$ , showing that  $g_0 = f_0, f_1 = g_1$ . 


*Proof of Existence.* We will use the Cauchy integral formula. Choose  $r$  and  $s$  so that  $\rho < r < s < \sigma$ . Call the annulus  $r < |\zeta| < s$ ,  $A$ . Then keeping track of orientations we have

$$\begin{aligned} f(z) &= \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{\partial A} \frac{f(\zeta)}{\zeta - z} d\zeta \\ &= \frac{1}{2\pi i} \left( - \int_{|\zeta - z_0| = r} \frac{f(\zeta)}{\zeta - z} d\zeta + \int_{|\zeta - z_0| = s} \frac{f(\zeta)}{\zeta - z} d\zeta \right). \end{aligned}$$

Define

$$\begin{aligned} f_0(z) &:= \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{|\zeta - z_0| = s} \frac{f(\zeta)}{\zeta - z} d\zeta \\ f_1(z) &:= -\frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{|\zeta - z_0| = r} \frac{f(\zeta)}{\zeta - z} d\zeta. \end{aligned}$$

We know  $f_0$  is defined on  $|z - z_0| < s$ , and  $f_1$  is defined on  $|z - z_0| > r$ .

HW 4A (up to small changes) shows that they're analytic on these areas (note we're only plugging in  $\zeta$  on the region where  $f$  is continuous). Although this depends on  $r, s$ , because of the uniqueness of the decomposition in fact  $f_0, f_1$  must not depend on our choice of  $r, s$ ! 

Question: Can we get independence of the decomposition with only Cauchy integral formula?

Express  $f_1(z)$  as a power series in  $\frac{1}{z-z_0}$ , then

$$f_1(z) = \sum_{k=-\infty}^{-1} a_k (z - z_0)^k, |z - z_0| > \rho$$

Note  $f_1(\infty)$  is the constant term, in this series which is 0. The series for  $f_1(z)$  converges absolutely for any  $r > \rho$ , and it converges uniformly for  $|z - z_0| \geq r$ .

$$f(z) = \sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} a_k (z - z_0)^k = \lim_{K \rightarrow \infty} \left( \sum_{k=0}^K a_k (z - z_0)^k + \sum_{k=-K}^{-1} a_k (z - z_0)^k \right).$$

when  $\rho < |z - z_0| < \sigma$ . This converges absolutely and converges uniformly for  $\rho < r \leq |z - z_0| \leq s < \sigma$ .

How do we get coefficients? Namely what's a formula for  $a_k$ ? Well let  $\rho < r < s < \sigma$ . We know

$$f(z) = \sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} a_k (z - z_0)^k$$

How do we extract  $a_n$  for  $n \in \mathbb{Z}$ , divide both sides by  $(z - z_0)^{n+1}$  and integrate. Then

$$\int_{|z-z_0|=r} \frac{f(z)}{(z - z_0)^{n+1}} dz = \int_{|z-z_0|=r} \frac{1}{(z - z_0)^{n+1}} \sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} a_k (z - z_0)^k.$$

We have uniform convergence, so we can swap integral and series to get

$$\sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} a_k \int_{|z-z_0|=r} (z - z_0)^{k-n-1} dz = 2\pi i a_n,$$

because only the integral where  $k - n - 1 = -1$  does not vanish! Therefore

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

### Example I.1.3

Let  $f(z) = \frac{1}{z-z^2}$ , which is defined for  $z \neq 0, 1$ .

Let  $z_0 = 0$ . We want to find the Laurent series decomposition. We do this using partial fractions, but in fact this depends on the annulus we consider!!! If we take  $\rho = 0, \sigma = 1$ , then we get

$$f(z) = \underbrace{\frac{1}{z}}_{f_1} + \underbrace{\frac{1}{1-z}}_{f_0} = \frac{1}{z} + \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} z^k$$

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which is valid for  $|z| < 1$ .

If we take  $\rho = 1, \sigma = \infty$ , then we get  $f_0 = 0$  and  $f_1 = \frac{1}{z-z^2}$ . Then

$$f(z) = \frac{-1}{z^2} \cdot \frac{1}{1 - \frac{1}{z}} = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} -z^{-k-2}.$$

which converges for  $|z| > 1$ .

**Theorem I.1.2** (Laurent Series Expansion)

Suppose  $0 \leq \rho < \sigma \leq \infty$  and suppose  $f(z)$  is analytic on the annulus  $\rho < |z - z_0| < \sigma$ . Then  $f(z)$  has a Laurent series expansion that converges absolutely at each point in the annulus and converges uniformly on each subannulus  $r \leq |z - z_0| \leq s$ , where  $\rho < r < s < \sigma$ .

The coefficients are uniquely determined by  $f(z)$  and given as

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

## I.2. Isolated Singularities

**Definition I.2.1**

A point  $z_0 \in \mathbb{C}$  is an isolated singularity of  $f(z)$  if  $f(z)$  is analytic in a punctured disk centered at  $z_0$ .

**Example I.2.1**

$$f(z) = 1/z$$

**Non-Example I.2.2**

$\text{Log}(z)$  does not have an isolated singularity at  $z = 0$ . There is no argument function on any neighborhood of 0.

Isolated singularities come in 3 types.

**Definition I.2.2**

The isolated singularity of  $f(z)$  at  $z_0$  is said to be removable if a Laurent series about  $z_0$  has  $a_k = 0$  for all  $k < 0$ .

In this case, the Laurent series becomes an honest power series, and  $f(z)$  can be continued analytically to  $z_0$  with  $f(z_0) = a_0$ .

**Example I.2.3**

$f(z) = \frac{\sin z}{z}$  has an isolated singularity at  $z = 0$ . This is a removable singularity since

$$\frac{\sin z}{z} = 1 - \frac{z^2}{3!} + \frac{z^4}{5!} - \cdots.$$