

1. Let  $f$  be analytic in  $|z| < 1$ .

Suppose  $|f(\frac{1}{n})| \leq \alpha^{-n}$  for some  $\alpha > 1$  for all  $n=2,3,4,\dots$

Show  $f \equiv 0$

Ans:  $\because f$  is continuous

$$\therefore |f(0)| = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} |f(\frac{1}{n})| \leq \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{\alpha^n} = 0$$

$$\therefore f(0) = 0$$

$\because f$  is analytic in  $|z| < 1$

~~$f = a_0 + a_1 z + a_2 z^2 + \dots$~~  [Assume  $f$  is not identically 0]

$\exists k_0 \geq 1$  such that

$$f(z) = z^{k_0} g(z) \text{ where } g(z) \text{ is analytic on } |z| < 1 \text{ and } g(0) \neq 0$$

$$\therefore |f(\frac{1}{n})| \leq \frac{1}{\alpha^n}$$

$$\therefore \frac{1}{n^{k_0}} |g(\frac{1}{n})| \leq \frac{1}{\alpha^n}$$

$$\therefore \alpha^n |g(\frac{1}{n})| \leq n^{k_0}$$

$\because g(0) \neq 0$ ,  $g$  is continuous

$\therefore \exists N_0 \in \mathbb{N}$  such that

$$\frac{|g(0)|}{2} < |g(\frac{1}{n})| < 2|g(0)| \text{ for } \forall n > N_0$$

$$\therefore \ln(\alpha^n |g(\frac{1}{n})|) \leq \ln(n^{k_0})$$

$$n \ln \alpha + c \leq n \ln \alpha + \ln |g(\frac{1}{n})| \leq k_0 \ln n$$

$$\therefore n \leq \frac{k_0 \ln n - c}{\ln \alpha} \text{ where } k_0 > 1, \alpha > 1 \text{ for } \forall n > N_0$$

it is a contradiction since  $n$  increases much faster than  $\ln n$

$\therefore f$  is identically 0.

2. Let  $f$  be an entire function

Let  $g(z) = \frac{a}{z} + f(z)$  where  $a$  is a constant

Suppose  $g(z) \in \mathbb{R}$  for  $\forall |z|=1$

Show that  $g(z) = \frac{a}{z} + b + \bar{a}z$  for some  $b \in \mathbb{R}$

Ans:  $\because f(z)$  is entire

$\therefore f(z) = a_0 + a_1 z + a_2 z^2 + \dots$  for  $\forall z \in \mathbb{C}$

Let  $h(z) = \overline{g\left(\frac{1}{z}\right)}$

$$\begin{aligned} \therefore h(z) &= \overline{\left(\frac{a}{\frac{1}{z}} + a_0 + a_1 \frac{1}{z} + a_2 \frac{1}{z^2} + \dots\right)} \\ &= \bar{a}z + \bar{a}_0 + \bar{a}_1 \frac{1}{z} + \bar{a}_2 \frac{1}{z^2} + \bar{a}_3 \frac{1}{z^3} + \dots \end{aligned}$$

$\therefore h(z)$  is analytic on  $\mathbb{C} \setminus \{0\}$  by the convergence of the power series

• For  $|z|=1$ ,  $\frac{1}{z} = \frac{1}{e^{i\theta}} = e^{-i\theta} = \bar{z}$

$\therefore g(z) \in \mathbb{R}$

$$\therefore h(z) = \overline{g\left(\frac{1}{z}\right)} = \overline{g(z)} = g(z)$$

$\therefore h(z) = g(z)$  on  $|z|=1$

$\therefore$  By result of Theorem 9

$$h(z) \equiv g(z) \Rightarrow \bar{a}z + \bar{a}_0 + \bar{a}_1 \frac{1}{z} + \bar{a}_2 \frac{1}{z^2} + \dots = \frac{a}{z} + a_0 + a_1 z + a_2 z^2 + \dots$$

Then by the uniqueness of Laurent series

$$\begin{cases} a_2 = a_3 = a_4 = \dots = 0 \\ \bar{a}_0 = a_0 \\ \bar{a}_1 = \bar{a} \end{cases}$$

$$\therefore g(z) = \frac{a}{z} + a_0 + \bar{a}z$$

3. Find the Laurent series of the function  $f(z) = \frac{1}{4z - z^2}$  in the region

i)  $\{z \in \mathbb{C} \mid 0 < |z| < 4\}$

ii)  $\{z \in \mathbb{C} \mid |z| > 4\}$

Ans: i) when  $0 < |z| < 4$

$$f(z) = \frac{1}{4z - z^2} = \frac{1}{4z} \cdot \frac{1}{1 - \frac{z}{4}} = \frac{1}{4z} \left( 1 + \frac{z}{4} + \left(\frac{z}{4}\right)^2 + \dots \right)$$

$$= \frac{1}{4z} + \frac{1}{4^2} + \frac{z}{4^3} + \frac{z^2}{4^4} + \dots$$

$$= \frac{1}{4z} + \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{z^n}{4^{n+2}}$$

ii) when  $|z| > 4$

$$f(z) = \frac{1}{4z - z^2} = -\frac{1}{z^2} \cdot \frac{1}{1 - \frac{4}{z}} = -\frac{1}{z^2} \left( 1 + \frac{4}{z} + \frac{4^2}{z^2} + \frac{4^3}{z^3} + \dots \right)$$

$$= -\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{4^n}{z^{n+2}}$$

4. Let  $f(z) = \frac{e^z}{z(z^2+1)}$ . Find the following terms in the Laurent series expansion

i) first three ~~positive~~ positive degree terms in  $\{z \in \mathbb{C} \mid 0 < |z| < 1\}$ .

ii) first negative degree term in  $\{z \in \mathbb{C} \mid |z| > 1\}$

Ans: i) when  $0 < |z| < 1$

$$f(z) = \frac{e^z}{z(z^2+1)} = \frac{1}{z} \cdot (1+z+\frac{z^2}{2!}+\frac{z^3}{3!}+\dots) (1-z^2+z^4-z^6+\dots)$$

$$\therefore \text{degree 0 term} = \frac{1}{z} \cdot (-z^2 + \frac{z^2}{2!}) = -\frac{z}{2}$$

$$\text{degree 2 term} = \frac{1}{z} \left( \frac{z^3}{3!} - z^3 \right) = -\frac{5}{6} z^2$$

$$\text{degree 3 term} = \frac{1}{z} \left( \frac{z^4}{4!} - \frac{z^4}{2!} + z^4 \right) = \frac{13}{24} z^3$$

ii) when  $|z| > 1$

$$f(z) = \frac{e^z}{z(z^2+1)} = \frac{e^z}{z^3} \cdot \frac{1}{1+\frac{1}{z^2}} = \frac{1}{z^3} (1+z+\frac{z^2}{2!}+\frac{z^3}{3!}+\dots) (1-\frac{1}{z^2}+\frac{1}{z^4}-\frac{1}{z^6}+\dots)$$

$\therefore$  degree (-1) term

$$= \frac{1}{z^3} \left( \frac{z^2}{2!} \cdot 1 + \frac{z^4}{4!} \left(-\frac{1}{z^2}\right) + \frac{z^6}{6!} \left(\frac{1}{z^4}\right) + \dots \right)$$

$$= \frac{1}{z^3} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{z^{2n}}{(2n)!} \cdot (-1)^{n-1} \cdot \frac{1}{z^{2n-2}}$$

$$= \frac{1}{z^3} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (-1)^{n-1} \frac{1}{(2n)!} \cdot z^2$$

$$= \frac{1}{z} \left( \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^{n-1}}{(2n)!} \right)$$