

Mittag-Leffler's theorem. Laurent series. Partial fractions expansions

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Remark about two-sided series

Let $\sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} b_n$ converges if $\exists \lim_{N_1, N_2 \rightarrow \infty} \sum_{n=-N_1}^{N_2} b_n \Leftrightarrow$ both $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} b_n$ and $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} b_{-n}$ converge.

If $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n w^n$ a power series with radius of convergence R ,

then $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{a_n}{(z-z_0)^{n+1}}$ converges locally uniformly when $\frac{1}{|z-z_0|} < R$ ($|z-z_0| > \frac{1}{R}$).

$f(z) := \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{a_n}{(z-z_0)^{n+1}} \in \mathcal{A}(\{ |z-z_0| > \frac{1}{R} \})$ including ∞ : $f(\infty) = a_0$.
removable singularity.

Let now $(a_n)_{n=-\infty}^{\infty}$, then

$f(z) = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} a_n (z-z_0)^n$ converges in some annulus $\{ R_1 < |z-z_0| < R_2 \}$.
where R_2 - radius of convergence of $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n w^n$
 R_1 - radius of convergence of $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_{-n} w^n$.
 $f \in \mathcal{A}(\{ R_1 < |z-z_0| < R_2 \})$ - locally uniform sum.

Note. Possible that $R_1 = 0, R_2 = \infty$.



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Theorem (Laurent) Let $f \in \mathcal{A}(\{ R_1 < |z-z_0| < R_2 \})$

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

The series converges locally uniformly in \mathcal{A} .

$a_n = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \oint_{C_r} f(\zeta) (\zeta-z_0)^{-(n+1)} d\zeta$ for any $R_1 < r < R_2$,
 $C_r := \{ z + re^{it} \}$,

Proof

Observe: $\forall R_1 < r_1 < r_2 < R_2, C_{r_1} - C_{r_2} \sim 0$ in Ω .

Indeed, $z \notin \Omega \Rightarrow |z| \geq R_2: n(C_{r_1}, z) = n(C_{r_2}, z) = 0$

$|z| \leq R_1: n(C_{r_1}, z) = n(C_{r_2}, z) = 1.$

So $\oint_{C_{r_1}} f(\zeta) (\zeta - z_0)^n d\zeta = \oint_{C_{r_2}} f(\zeta) (\zeta - z_0)^n d\zeta \quad \forall n \in \mathbb{Z}$ (can be negative).
 since $f(\zeta) (\zeta - z_0)^n \in \mathcal{A}(\Omega)$.

Let us fix $z \in \Omega$ and $r_1, r_2: R_1 < r_1 < |z - z_0| < r_2 < R_2$

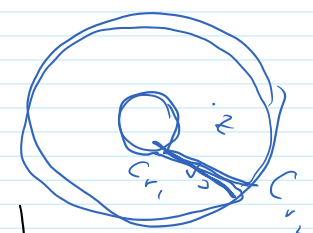
Notice $n(C_{r_2} - C_{r_1}, z) = 1$ ($n(C_{r_1}, z) = 0, n(C_{r_2}, z) = 1$).

By Cauchy integral formula:

$$f(z) = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \oint_{C_{r_2}} \frac{f(\zeta)}{\zeta - z} d\zeta - \frac{1}{2\pi i} \oint_{C_{r_1}} \frac{f(\zeta)}{\zeta - z} d\zeta$$

Use Cauchy trick twice:

On $|\zeta - z_0| = r_2 > |z - z_0|$:

$$\frac{1}{\zeta - z} = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{(z - z_0)^k}{(\zeta - z_0)^{k+1}} \quad \left(\frac{|z - z_0|}{|\zeta - z_0|} < 1 \right) \text{ - converges uniformly on } C_{r_2}$$


On $|\zeta - z_0| = r_1 < |z - z_0|$:

$$-\frac{1}{\zeta - z} = \frac{1}{(z - z_0) \left(1 - \frac{\zeta - z_0}{z - z_0} \right)} = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{(\zeta - z_0)^{k-1}}{(z - z_0)^k} \text{ - converges uniformly on } C_{r_1}$$

Since multiplication by bounded $f(z)$ does not change uniform convergence, we get

$$f(z) = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \left[\frac{1}{2\pi i} \oint_{C_{r_2}} \frac{f(\zeta)}{(\zeta - z_0)^{k+1}} d\zeta \right] (z - z_0)^k + \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \left[\frac{1}{2\pi i} \oint_{C_{r_1}} f(\zeta) (\zeta - z_0)^{k-1} d\zeta \right] (z - z_0)^{-k}$$

The series converges $\overset{a_n}{a_n}$ for every $z \in \Omega$, so locally uniformly.

Special case: $R_1 = 0$ - isolated singularity.

If $f \in \mathcal{A}(\Omega \setminus \{z_0\})$, $f(z) = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} a_n (z - z_0)^n$ for $0 < |z - z_0| < \text{dist}(z_0, \partial\Omega)$.

$n = -1$: $a_{-1} = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \oint_{C_r} f(\zeta) d\zeta = \text{Res}_{z=z_0} f(z)$.



Theorem

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- 1) z_0 is removable $\Leftrightarrow \forall n < 0, a_n = 0$
- 2) z_0 is pole $\Leftrightarrow \exists N \in \mathbb{N}: a_n = 0 \quad \forall n < -N$.
- 3) z_0 is essential $\Leftrightarrow \{n < 0: a_n \neq 0\}$ is infinite.

Proof. 1) z_0 is removable $\Leftrightarrow f \in A(\mathcal{R})$

So $a_{-n} = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \oint f(\zeta) (\zeta - z_0)^n d\zeta = 0$, by Cauchy ($n > 0$).

Other direction: $a_n = 0 \quad \forall n < 0: f(z) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n (z - z_0)^n$ - analytic at z_0 \Rightarrow

2) already done: [Theorem on characterization of poles.](#)

3) Essential \neq pole or removable

So $\{n < 0: a_n \neq 0\}$ is infinite \Leftrightarrow essential. \Rightarrow

Def. If z_0 is isolated singularity, $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{a_{-n}}{(z - z_0)^n}$ is called singular part of Laurent decomposition.



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Theorem (Mittag-Leffler).

Let $\{z_n\} \subset \mathbb{C}$ be a sequence of distinct complex numbers, $z_n \rightarrow \infty$

Let $g_n(z) = \sum_{k=1}^{m_n} \frac{a_{-k}^{(n)}}{(z - z_n)^k}$ - a sequence of polynomials in $\frac{1}{z - z_n}$.

Then there exists $f \in \mathcal{M}(\mathbb{C})$, with poles at just the points z_n and the corresponding singular parts $g_n(z)$.

Moreover, any meromorphic function in \mathbb{C} has the form:

$$f(z) = g(z) + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (g_n(z) - p_n(z)), \quad \text{where } g \in A(\mathbb{C}) \text{ (entire),}$$

$p_n(z)$ - a sequence of polynomials, $g_n(z)$ - singular parts at poles of f .

(partial fraction decomposition).

[Partial fraction decomposition for rational functions](#)

Def. Let $f_n \in \mathcal{M}(\Omega)$. We say that $\sum f_n$ converges locally uniformly if $\forall K \subset \Omega$ -compact $\exists N(K): n \geq N(K) \Rightarrow f_n \in \mathcal{A}(K)$, and $\sum_{n=N}^{\infty} f_n$ converges uniformly on K .

Remark. If $f = \sum f_n$, $f_n \in \mathcal{M}(\Omega)$ -locally uniformly, then $f \in \mathcal{M}(\Omega)$.

Proof. Need to prove: $\forall \overline{B(z, r)} \subset \Omega$, $f \in \mathcal{M}(\overline{B(z, r)})$. Take N from def. But $f_0 := \sum_{n=N}^{\infty} f_n$ converges uniformly on $\overline{B(z, r)}$, so $f_0 \in \mathcal{A}(\overline{B(z, r)})$.

So $f = f_0 + \underbrace{\sum_{n=1}^{N-1} f_n}_{\text{finite}} \in \mathcal{M}(\Omega)$. ■

Proof (of Mittag-Leffler).

Observe: If $z_n \neq 0$, then $g_n(z) \in \mathcal{A}(B(0, |z_n|))$ (it only has a singularity at z_n).

So for $z: |z| < \frac{|z_n|}{2}$, $g_n(z) = \sum b_k^{(n)} z^k$ - Taylor series, $b_k^{(n)} = \frac{g_n^{(k)}(0)}{k!}$.

Converges uniformly in $B(0, \frac{|z_n|}{2})$. So $\exists m_n$:

$$|g_n(z) - \sum_{k=0}^{m_n} b_k^{(n)} z^k| < 2^{-n}.$$

Let $p_n(z) := \sum_{k=0}^{m_n} b_k^{(n)} z^k$.

know: $\forall z \text{ w. } |z| < \frac{|z_n|}{2}$, $|g_n(z) - p_n(z)| < 2^{-n}$.

Take K -compact. Since $z_n \rightarrow \infty \exists N(K): \forall n \geq N(K) |z_n| \geq \max_{z \in K} |z|$, so $g_n \in \mathcal{A}(K)$ and $|g_n(z) - p_n(z)| < 2^{-n}$.

Consider $f(z) := \sum_{z_n \neq 0} (g_n(z) - p_n(z)) + g_m(z)$, where $z_m = 0$ ($g_m(z) = 0$ if no such z_m)

Then the series converges locally uniformly:

when $n \geq N(K)$, $g_n(z) - p_n(z) \in \mathcal{A}(K)$, $|g_n(z) - p_n(z)| < 2^{-n}$

so $\sum_{n=N}^{\infty} (g_n(z) - p_n(z))$ converges uniformly on K .

So $f \in \mathcal{M}(\Omega)$. For $k \neq n$, $g_k(z) - p_n(z)$ is analytic at $B(z_n, r)$, $r = \min_{k \neq n} |z_n - z_k|$.

So the singular part of f at z_n is the same as the singular part of $g_n(z) - p_n(z)$, which is $g_n(z)$.

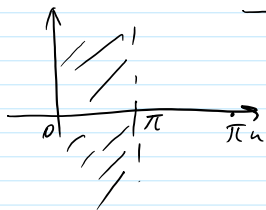
Finally, it f is a meromorphic function, let (z_n) be its poles,

$g_n(z)$ - singular parts. If $f(z_n)$ is finite - nothing to prove,
 $f(z) - \sum g_n(z) \in A(\mathbb{C})$ - finite.
 If $f(z_n)$ is infinite, $f(z) - \sum (g_n(z) - p_n(z)) \in A(\mathbb{C}) \equiv$
 as constructed

Examples 1) $f(z) = \frac{1}{\sin^2 z}$. Poles $z_n = \pi n$, of order 2.
 $g_n(z) = \frac{1}{(z - \pi n)^2}$ ($\frac{1}{\sin^2 z} - \frac{1}{(z - \pi n)^2} = \frac{(z - \pi n)^2 - \sin^2 z}{\sin^2 z (z - \pi n)^2}$ ← expand in Taylor
 $f_0(z) := \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{(z - \pi n)^2}$ - converges locally uniformly (on each k , eventually $\frac{1}{(z - \pi n)^2} \leq \frac{1}{k^2}$).

Observe: $f(z + \pi) = f(z)$, $f_0(z + \pi) = f_0(z)$,
 so $h(z) := f(z) - f_0(z) - \pi$ -periodic: $h(z + \pi) = h(z)$.

Consider $0 \leq \text{Re } z \leq \pi$. For $n \in \mathbb{N}$, $|z - n\pi| \geq \pi(n-1)$.
 $|z + n\pi| \geq \pi n$.



$$\text{So } |f_0(z)| \leq \frac{1}{|z|^2} + \sum_{n=-m}^m \frac{1}{|z - n\pi|^2} + 2 \sum_{n=m+1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{(n-1)^2 \pi^2}$$

$$\text{So } \lim_{|z| \rightarrow \infty} |f_0(z)| \leq 0 + 0 + 2 \sum_{n=m+1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{\pi^2 (n-1)^2} \rightarrow 0$$

$$\text{So } \lim_{|z| \rightarrow \infty} f_0(z) = 0, \quad 0 \leq \text{Re } z \leq \pi$$

Observe: $|\sin^2 z| = |\sin z|^2 = \left(\frac{e^{iz} - e^{-iz}}{2i} \right) \left(\frac{e^{-i\bar{z}} - e^{i\bar{z}}}{-2i} \right) =$

$$\frac{1}{4} (e^{2ix} - e^{-2ix} + e^{2y} + e^{-2y}) = \frac{1}{4} ((e^y + e^{-y})^2 - (e^{ix} + e^{-ix})^2) = \cosh^2 y - \sin^2 x.$$

As $z \rightarrow \infty$, $0 \leq \text{Re } z \leq \pi$, we have $|y| \rightarrow \infty$, so $\cosh^2 y \rightarrow \infty$, $|\sin x| \leq 1$.

So $f(z) \rightarrow 0$.

So $h(z) \rightarrow 0$ as $|z| \rightarrow \infty$, $0 \leq \text{Re } z \leq \pi$. So h is bounded in $0 \leq \text{Re } z \leq \pi$.

But it is periodic, so $h \in A(\mathbb{C})$, bounded, so $h \equiv \text{const}$. Tends to 0, so $h \equiv 0$.

$$\text{So } \boxed{\frac{1}{\sin^2 z} = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{1}{(z - \pi n)^2}}$$

$\cotan z = \frac{\cos z}{\sin z}$ has simple poles at $z = n\pi$. Singular parts: $g_n(z) = \frac{1}{z - n\pi}$.

$\sum \frac{1}{z - n\pi}$ - diverges, but

$$\sum_{\substack{n=-\infty \\ n \neq 0}}^{\infty} \left(\frac{1}{z - n\pi} + \frac{1}{n\pi} \right) = \sum_{\substack{n=-\infty \\ n \neq 0}}^{\infty} \frac{z}{(z - n\pi)n} - \text{converges.}$$

Can use similar technique, as above.

Another way:

Let γ be any arc from 0 to z , not passing through $\frac{\pi}{2} + k\pi$.

$$\oint_{\gamma} \left(\frac{1}{\sin^2 \zeta} - \frac{1}{\zeta^2} \right) d\zeta = \frac{1}{z} - \cotan z$$

$$\oint_{\gamma} \sum_{\substack{n=-\infty \\ n \neq 0}}^{\infty} \frac{1}{(\zeta - n\pi)^2} d\zeta \underset{\substack{\text{converges} \\ \text{uniformly on } \gamma}}{=} \sum_{\substack{n=-\infty \\ n \neq 0}}^{\infty} \oint_{\gamma} \frac{d\zeta}{(\zeta - n\pi)^2} = - \sum_{\substack{n=-\infty \\ n \neq 0}}^{\infty} \left(\frac{1}{z - n\pi} + \frac{1}{n\pi} \right)$$

So

$$\cotan z - \frac{1}{z} = \sum_{\substack{n=-\infty \\ n \neq 0}}^{\infty} \left(\frac{1}{z - n\pi} + \frac{1}{n\pi} \right)$$

Theorem (Mittag-Leffler, local version)

Let $(z_n) \in \Omega$ be a sequence without limit points in Ω .

Let $g_n(z) = \sum_{k=1}^{m_n} \frac{a_{n,k}}{(z - z_n)^k}$ - a sequence of polynomials of $\frac{1}{z - z_n}$.

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No proof here.