Obtaining Laurent Series & residues using Mathematica

Laurent Series example discussed in Boas and in class

In[343]:= Clear[ff]

In[344]:= ff[z_] = 12 / (z (2 - z) (1 + z))

Out[344]=
$$\frac{12}{(2-z) z (1+z)}$$

Inner region RI

Mathematica command Series[] automatically gives Laurent series. $\{z,0,3\}$ means: expand in z, about z=0, giving up to z^3 term.

In[345]:= **Series[ff[z], {z, 0, 3}]**
Out[345]:=
$$\frac{6}{z} - 3 + \frac{9z}{2} - \frac{15z^2}{4} + \frac{33z^3}{8} + 0[z]^4$$

Outermost region R3

Here we expand about z=Infinity, and Mathematica automatically does the series in powers of 1/z

Out[347]= Series[ff[z], {z, Infinity, 6}]
$$\frac{12}{z^3} - \frac{12}{z^4} - \frac{36}{z^5} - \frac{60}{z^6} + O\left[\frac{1}{z}\right]^7$$

Middle region R2

Partial fraction function:

In[372]:= Clear[ff1, ff2]

In[373]:= ff1[z_] = 4 / (z (1+z)); ff2[z_] = 4 / (z (2-z));

Check that sum agrees with original function

In[374]:= FullSimplify[ff1[z] + ff2[z] - ff[z]]

Out[374]= 0

In[379]:= ff1expand = Normal[Series[ff1[z], {z, Infinity, 4}]]

Out[379]=
$$\frac{4}{z^4} - \frac{4}{z^3} + \frac{4}{z^2}$$

In[380]:= ff2expand = Normal[Series[ff2[z], {z, 0, 3}]]

Out[380]= $1 + \frac{2}{z} + \frac{z}{2} + \frac{z^2}{4} + \frac{z^3}{8}$

Out[381]=
$$1 + \frac{4}{z^4} - \frac{4}{z^3} + \frac{4}{z^2} + \frac{2}{z} + \frac{z}{z} + \frac{z^2}{4} + \frac{z^3}{8}$$

Residues

This is a built-in *Mathematica* command. Here is the example of the function discussed above.