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Let $A \subset B \subseteq \mathbb{C}$ and $f \colon A \to \mathbb{C}$ be analytic. A meromorphic extension of f is a meromorphic function $g \colon B \to \mathbb{C}$ such that $g|_A = f$.

The meromorphic extension of an analytic function to a larger http://planetmath.org/Domain is unique; http://planetmath.org/Iei.e., using the above notation, if $h: B \to \mathbb{C}$ has the property that $h|_A = f$, then g = h on B.

Occasionally, an analytic function and its meromorphic extension are denoted using the same notation. A common example of this phenomenon is the Riemann zeta function.