

Tutorial - 11

Q.1 Find the Laurent series of the function

$$f(z) = \frac{2z - 3i}{z^2 - 3iz - 2}$$

in the following domain

(a) $0 < |z| < 1$

(b) $1 < |z| < 2$

(c) $|z| > 2$

(d) $0 < |z+i| < 2$



Solⁿ By doing the partial fraction we can write

$$\begin{aligned} f(z) = \frac{2z - 3i}{z^2 - 3iz - 2} &= \frac{2z - 3i}{z^2 - 3iz - 2} = \frac{2z - 3i}{(z-i)(z-2i)} \\ &= \frac{1}{z-i} + \frac{1}{z-2i} \end{aligned}$$

(a) $0 < |z| < 1$

$$\frac{1}{z-i} = \frac{1}{-i(1+iz)} = i(1+iz)^{-1} = i \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (-1)^n (iz)^n = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (-1)^n i^{n+1} z^n \quad \text{--- (1)}$$

The above series (1) is valid for $|iz| < 1 \Rightarrow |z| < 1$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{1}{z-2i} &= \frac{1}{-2i(1+\frac{iz}{2})} = \frac{i}{2} (1+\frac{iz}{2})^{-1} = \frac{i}{2} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (-1)^n \left(\frac{iz}{2}\right)^n \\ &= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (-1)^n \left(\frac{i}{2}\right)^{n+1} z^n \quad \text{--- (2)} \end{aligned}$$

The above series (2) is valid for $|\frac{iz}{2}| < 1$
that is $|z| < 2 \Rightarrow |z| < 2$

So the series (2) is also valid for $|z| < 1$ as it is valid for $|z| < 2$

Hence both series (1) & (2) are valid in $|z| < 1$.

Hence $f(z)$ can be written as

$$f(z) = \frac{2z-3i}{z^2-3iz-2} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (-1)^n i^{n+1} z^n + \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (-1)^n \left(\frac{i}{2}\right)^{n+1} z^n$$

(b) $1 < |z| < 2$

$$f(z) = \frac{1}{z-i} + \frac{1}{z-2i}$$

$$\frac{1}{z-i} = \frac{1}{z(1-\frac{i}{z})} = \frac{1}{z} \left(1-\frac{i}{z}\right)^{-1} = \frac{1}{z} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \left(\frac{i}{z}\right)^n = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{i^n}{z^{n+1}} \quad (3)$$

This series is valid for $\left|\frac{i}{z}\right| < 1 \Rightarrow |z| > 1$

$$\text{From (2)} \quad \frac{1}{z-2i} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (-1)^n \left(\frac{i}{2}\right)^{n+1} z^n$$

is valid for $|z| < 2$

So in the intersection region $1 < |z| < 2$ both the series (2) & (3) are valid.



$$\text{So } f(z) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{i^n}{z^{n+1}} + \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (-1)^n \left(\frac{i}{2}\right)^{n+1} z^n$$

(c) $|z| > 2$

$$f(z) = \frac{1}{z-i} + \frac{1}{z-2i}$$

$$\text{From (3)} \quad \frac{1}{z-i} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{i^n}{z^{n+1}} \quad \text{valid for } |z| > 1$$

So it is also valid for $|z| > 2$.

$$\frac{1}{z-2i} = \frac{1}{z(1-\frac{2i}{z})} = \frac{1}{z} \left(1-\frac{2i}{z}\right)^{-1} = \frac{1}{z} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \left(\frac{2i}{z}\right)^n \quad (4)$$

valid for $\left|\frac{2i}{z}\right| < 1$
 $\Rightarrow \frac{2}{|z|} < 1$
 $\Rightarrow |z| > 2$

So both (3) & (4) are valid for $|z| > 2$.

$$\text{Hence } f(z) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{i^n}{z^{n+1}} + \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (2i)^n \frac{1}{z^{n+1}}$$

(d) $0 < |z+0| < 2$

$$f(z) = \frac{1}{z-i} + \frac{1}{z-2i}$$

$$\frac{1}{z-i} = \frac{1}{z+i-2i} = \frac{-1}{2i \left(1 + \frac{z+i}{-2i}\right)} = \frac{-1}{2i} \left(1 + \frac{z+i}{-2i}\right)^{-1}$$

$$= \frac{-1}{2i} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (-1)^n \left(\frac{z+i}{-2i}\right)^n \quad \text{--- (5)}$$

(5) is valid for $\left|\frac{z+i}{-2i}\right| < 1 \Rightarrow \frac{|z+i|}{2} < 1 \Rightarrow |z+i| < 2$

$$\frac{1}{z-2i} = \frac{1}{z+i-3i} = \frac{1}{-3i \left(1 + \frac{z+i}{-3i}\right)} = \frac{-1}{3i} \left(1 + \frac{z+i}{-3i}\right)^{-1}$$

$$= \frac{-1}{3i} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (-1)^n \left(\frac{z+i}{-3i}\right)^n \quad \text{--- (6)}$$

(6) is valid for $\left|\frac{z+i}{-3i}\right| < 1 \Rightarrow \frac{|z+i|}{3} < 1$
 $\Rightarrow |z+i| < 3$

As (6) is valid for $|z+i| < 3$, it is also valid for $|z+i| < 2$.

Hence both the series (5) and (6) are valid for $|z| < 2$
 So $f(z) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (-1)^n \frac{1}{(-2i)^{n+1}} (z+i)^n + \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (-1)^n \frac{1}{(-3i)^{n+1}} (z+i)^n$

Result-1 If f has an isolated singularity at z_0 , then z_0 is a removable singularity iff one of the following conditions holds:

- (1) f is bounded in a deleted nbd of z_0 .
- (2) $\lim_{z \rightarrow z_0} f(z)$ exists and is finite.
- (3) $\lim_{z \rightarrow z_0} (z - z_0) f(z) = 0$

Result-2 If z_0 is an isolated singularity of $f(z)$ then z_0 is a pole of order m if

$$\lim_{z \rightarrow z_0} (z - z_0)^m f(z) \text{ exists.}$$

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Q.2 Determine the location and types of singularities of the following function

(i) $z^2 - \frac{1}{z^2}$

(iv) $\frac{z}{z^3} - \frac{1}{z}$

(ii) $\tan z$

(v) $\sin \frac{1}{z}$

(iii) $z^{-2} \sin^2 z$

Solⁿ (i) $z^2 - \frac{1}{z^2}$

$z=0$ is a singularity

It is a pole of order 2, because we can get it as a Laurent series about $z=0$.

$$(i) \quad \frac{2}{z^3} - \frac{1}{z}$$

$z=0$ is the singularity and it is a pole of order 3.

$$(ii) \quad \tan z = \frac{\sin z}{\cos z}$$

$$\cos z = 0 = \cos(z + n\pi) \quad n = 0, 1, 2, \dots$$

$\pm \frac{\pi}{2}, \pm \frac{3\pi}{2}, \dots$ all are singularity.

Let us consider $\frac{\pi}{2}$. We use the result -2

$$\tan z = \frac{\sin z}{\cos z} = - \frac{\cos(z - \frac{\pi}{2})}{\sin(z - \frac{\pi}{2})}$$

$$\lim_{z \rightarrow \frac{\pi}{2}} (z - \frac{\pi}{2}) \times \frac{-\cos(z - \frac{\pi}{2})}{\sin(z - \frac{\pi}{2})} = \lim_{z \rightarrow \frac{\pi}{2}} - \frac{\cos(z - \frac{\pi}{2})}{\frac{\sin(z - \frac{\pi}{2})}{(z - \frac{\pi}{2})}} = -1$$

So $\lim_{z \rightarrow \frac{\pi}{2}} (z - \frac{\pi}{2}) f(z)$ exists.

So $z = \frac{\pi}{2}$ is a pole of order 1.

Similarly all other singularities of $\tan z$ are also poles of order 1.

$$(iv) \quad \frac{1}{z^2} \sin^2 z$$

$z=0$ is the singular point. We use result -2.

$$\lim_{z \rightarrow 0} (z-0)^2 f(z) = \lim_{z \rightarrow 0} (z-0)^2 \frac{1}{z^2} \sin^2 z = \lim_{z \rightarrow 0} \sin^2 z = 0$$

So $z=0$ is a pole of order 2.

(v) $\sin \frac{1}{z}$

$z=0$ is the singular point.

$$\sin \frac{1}{z} = \frac{1}{z} - \frac{\left(\frac{1}{z}\right)^3}{3!} + \frac{\left(\frac{1}{z}\right)^5}{5!} - \dots$$

Laurent series expansion about $z=0$.

The Laurent series has infinite no. of terms in the principal part.

So $z=0$ is an essential singularity.

Residues

If z_0 is a simple pole of $f(z)$ of order 1.

$$\text{Then } \text{Res } f(z) \text{ at } z=z_0 = \lim_{z \rightarrow z_0} (z-z_0)f(z)$$

If z_0 is a pole of order m , then

$$\text{Res } f(z) \text{ at } z=z_0 = \frac{1}{(m-1)!} \lim_{z \rightarrow z_0} \left\{ \frac{d^{m-1}}{dz^{m-1}} [(z-z_0)^m f(z)] \right\}$$

Residue Theorem

If $f(z)$ is analytic inside a simple closed curve C and on C , except for finitely many singular points z_1, z_2, \dots, z_k inside C . Then

$$\oint_C f(z) dz = 2\pi i \left(\sum_{j=1}^k \text{Res } f(z) \text{ at } z=z_j \right)$$

Q.3

Integrate

$$\oint_C \frac{e^z}{\cos z} dz$$

$$C: |z|=3$$

The singular points of $f(z) = \frac{e^z}{\cos z}$ are

$$\frac{\pi}{2}, -\frac{\pi}{2}, \frac{3\pi}{2}, -\frac{3\pi}{2}, \dots$$

All are simple poles.

Only $\frac{\pi}{2}$ and $-\frac{\pi}{2}$ are inside the circle $|z|=3$.

So by Residue theorem

$$\oint_{|z|=3} \frac{e^z}{\cos z} dz = 2\pi i \left[\text{Res } f(z) \Big|_{z=\frac{\pi}{2}} + \text{Res } f(z) \Big|_{z=-\frac{\pi}{2}} \right]$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Res } f(z) \Big|_{z=\frac{\pi}{2}} &= \lim_{z \rightarrow \frac{\pi}{2}} (z - \frac{\pi}{2}) \frac{e^z}{\cos z} \\ &= \lim_{z \rightarrow \frac{\pi}{2}} (z - \frac{\pi}{2}) \frac{e^z}{-\sin(z - \frac{\pi}{2})} \\ &= \lim_{z \rightarrow \frac{\pi}{2}} \frac{e^z}{\frac{\sin(z - \frac{\pi}{2})}{z - \frac{\pi}{2}}} = \frac{-e^{\frac{\pi}{2}}}{1} = -e^{\frac{\pi}{2}} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Res } f(z) \Big|_{z=-\frac{\pi}{2}} &= \lim_{z \rightarrow -\frac{\pi}{2}} (z + \frac{\pi}{2}) \frac{e^z}{\cos z} = \lim_{z \rightarrow -\frac{\pi}{2}} \frac{(z + \frac{\pi}{2}) e^z}{\sin(z + \frac{\pi}{2})} \\ &= \lim_{z \rightarrow -\frac{\pi}{2}} \frac{e^z}{\frac{\sin(z + \frac{\pi}{2})}{z + \frac{\pi}{2}}} = \frac{e^{-\frac{\pi}{2}}}{1} = e^{-\frac{\pi}{2}} \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{So } \oint_{|z|=3} \frac{e^z}{\cos z} dz = 2\pi i [-e^{\frac{\pi}{2}} + e^{-\frac{\pi}{2}}] = -4\pi i \sinh \frac{\pi}{2}$$