

* Taylor's and Laurent's Series :-

→ power series in complex number :-

The power series in powers of $(z-a)$ is of the form
$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} C_n (z-a)^n \quad \text{--- (1)}$$

where, z is complex number and C_n 's are constants.

Note that : The power series (1) is convergent for $|z-a| < R$, for some real Number R . therefore the number ' R ' is called as Radius of convergence.

* To find the Radius of convergence :-

consider the power series
$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} C_n (z-a)^n$$

$$(1) \quad R = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left| \frac{C_n}{C_{n+1}} \right|$$

$$(2) \quad R = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (C_n)^{-\frac{1}{n}}$$

Example

Find the radius of convergence of following

(i)

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{z^n}{3^n + 1}$$

(ii)

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

Solution:

(1)

Given power series is $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{3^n + 1} z^n$

compare with $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} C_n z^n$, we get

$$C_n = \frac{1}{3^n + 1}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \therefore R &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left| \frac{C_n}{C_{n+1}} \right| = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left| \frac{1}{3^n + 1} \times \frac{3^{n+1} + 1}{1} \right| \\ &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left| \frac{3^{n+1} + 1}{3^n + 1} \right| \\ &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left| \frac{3^n \left(3 + \frac{1}{3^n}\right)}{3^n \left(1 + \frac{1}{3^n}\right)} \right| \\ &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left| \frac{\left(3 + \frac{1}{3^n}\right)}{\left(1 + \frac{1}{3^n}\right)} \right| \\ &= \frac{3 + 0}{1 + 0} \\ &= 3. \end{aligned}$$

\therefore Radius of convergence : $R = 3$.

(2)

Given power series is $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left(1 + \frac{1}{n}\right)^{n^2} z^n$

compare with $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} C_n z^n$, we get

$$C_n = \left(1 + \frac{1}{n}\right)^{n^2}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \therefore R &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (c_n)^{-\frac{1}{n}} \\
 &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left[\left(1 + \frac{1}{n}\right)^{n^2} \right]^{-\frac{1}{n}} \\
 &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(1 + \frac{1}{n}\right)^{-n} \\
 &= e^{-1} = \frac{1}{e}
 \end{aligned}$$

\therefore Radius of convergence : $R = \frac{1}{e}$

Homework

Example : find the radius of convergence of following

① $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{n+1}{(n+2)(n+3)} z^n$. ② $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{z^n}{n^p}$

* Taylor's Series Expansion:

Let C be the circle with centre at z_0 and $f(z)$ be analytic everywhere inside C then Taylor's series expansion of $f(z)$ is

$$f(z) = f(z_0) + (z-z_0) f'(z_0) + \frac{(z-z_0)^2}{2!} f''(z_0) + \dots \quad \text{--- (1)}$$

Note that: (1) Above series of $f(z)$ is convergent at every point inside C

(2) If we put $z = z_0 + h$ then equation (1) becomes

$$f(z_0+h) = f(z_0) + h f'(z_0) + \frac{h^2}{2!} f''(z_0) + \dots$$

(3) If we put $z_0 = 0$ then equation (1) becomes

$$f(z) = f(0) + z f'(0) + \frac{z^2}{2!} f''(0) + \dots$$

is known as Maclaurin's series.

* Important power series of the function:-

$$\rightarrow (1+z)^{-1} = 1 - z + z^2 - z^3 + z^4 - \dots, \text{ where } |z| < 1$$

$$\rightarrow (1-z)^{-1} = 1 + z + z^2 + z^3 + z^4 + \dots, \text{ where } |z| < 1$$

$$\rightarrow (1+z)^{-2} = 1 - 2z + 3z^2 - 4z^3 + \dots, \text{ where } |z| < 1$$

$$\rightarrow (1-z)^{-2} = 1 + 2z + 3z^2 + 4z^3 + \dots, \text{ where } |z| < 1$$

* Examples on Taylor's series:

Example ① obtain Taylor's expansion of

$$f(z) = \frac{z+2}{(z-1)(z-4)} \quad \text{at } z=2$$

Solution: given function is $f(z) = \frac{z+2}{(z-1)(z-4)}$

clearly, degree of Numerators is less than degree of Denominators

Now, consider the partial fraction

$$\frac{z+2}{(z-1)(z-4)} = \frac{A}{z-1} + \frac{B}{z-4}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{z+2}{(z-1)(z-4)} = \frac{A(z-4) + B(z-1)}{(z-1)(z-4)}$$

$$\Rightarrow A(z-4) + B(z-1) = z+2$$

$$\text{if } z=1 \quad \text{then } A(1-4) + 0 = 1+2 \Rightarrow A = -1$$

$$\text{if } z=4 \quad \text{then } A(0) + B(4-1) = 4+2 \Rightarrow B = 2$$

$$\therefore \frac{z+2}{(z-1)(z-4)} = -\frac{1}{z-1} + \frac{2}{z-4}$$

we have to find series expansion in the power of $(z-2)$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{z+2}{(z-1)(z-4)} &= -\frac{1}{(z-2)+1} + \frac{2}{(z-2)-2} \\ &= -\frac{1}{[1+(z-2)]} + \frac{2}{-2[1-(\frac{z-2}{2})]} \\ &= -\frac{1}{1+(z-2)} - \frac{1}{1-(\frac{z-2}{2})} \\ &= -[1+(z-2)]^{-1} - [1-(\frac{z-2}{2})]^{-1} \end{aligned}$$

we know, $[1+z]^{-1} = 1-z+z^2-z^3+\dots$ and $[1-z]^{-1} = 1+z+z^2+z^3+\dots$

$$\begin{aligned}
\Rightarrow \frac{z+2}{(z-1)(z-4)} &= - \left[1 - (z-2) + (z-2)^2 - (z-2)^3 + \dots \right] \\
&\quad - \left[1 + \left(\frac{z-2}{2}\right) + \left(\frac{z-2}{2}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{z-2}{2}\right)^3 + \dots \right] \\
&= - \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (-1)^n (z-2)^n - \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \left(\frac{z-2}{2}\right)^n \\
&= - \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \left[(-1)^n + \frac{1}{2^n} \right] (z-2)^n
\end{aligned}$$

i.e. $f(z) = - \sum \left[(-1)^n + \frac{1}{2^n} \right] (z-2)^n, \quad |z-2| < 1$

Example (2). obtain Taylor's expansion of $f(z) = \frac{1-z}{z^2}$ in the powers of $(z-1)$

solution: Given: $f(z) = \frac{1-z}{z^2}$

$$\begin{aligned}
\Rightarrow f(z) &= - \frac{(z-1)}{(z-1+1)^2} \\
&= - \frac{(z-1)}{[1+(z-1)]^2} \\
&= - (z-1) [1+(z-1)]^{-2} \\
&= - (z-1) \left[1 - 2(z-1) + 3(z-1)^2 - 4(z-1)^3 + \dots \right] \\
&\quad \left(\because [1+z]^{-2} = 1 - 2z + 3z^2 - 4z^3 + \dots \right) \\
&= \left[-(z-1) + 2(z-1)^2 - 3(z-1)^3 + 4(z-1)^4 - \dots \right] \\
&= \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (-1)^n n (z-1)^n
\end{aligned}$$

i.e. $f(z) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (-1)^n \cdot n (z-1)^n$