MTH483, Complex Variables, HW7 Wyatt Whiting

- 1. Find the radius of convergence and the region of convergence of the following power series:
 - (a) $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(2z)^n}{1+3^n}$ Applying the ratio test:

$$\lim_{n \to \infty} \left| \frac{(2z)^{n+1}}{1+3^{n+1}} \frac{1+3^n}{(2z)^n} \right| = \lim_{n \to \infty} \left| \frac{2z(1+3^n)}{1+3^{n+1}} \right| = \frac{2|z|}{3}$$

We demand that $\frac{2|z|}{3} < 1$, so then $|z| < \frac{3}{2}$, so the radius of convergence is $\frac{3}{2}$. We can then conclude that the region of convergence is $D_{3/2}(0)$

(b)
$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{z^n}{(\sqrt{3}+i)^n} = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (\frac{z}{\sqrt{3}+i})^n$$

The form of the summand make applying the root test quite easy:

$$\lim_{n\to\infty} \sqrt[n]{\left(\frac{z}{\sqrt{3}+i}\right)^n} = \frac{z}{\sqrt{3}+i}$$

To converge, we demand $\frac{|z|}{|\sqrt{3}+i|} < 1 \implies \frac{|z|}{2} < 1 \implies |z| < 2$, so the radius of convergence is 2. Then the region of convergence is $D_4(0)$.

2. Find three different Laurent series representations (about 0) for the function

$$f(z) = \frac{3}{-z^2 + z + 2} = \frac{1}{z+1} - \frac{1}{z-2}$$

We can see that the function has two singularities at z=-1 and z=2. These split the plane into three regions with varying radius. Let's begin with the region |z|<1.

The function is holomorphic on $D_1(0)$ since it contains no singularities. Then our Laurent series ends up being a regular Taylor series given by

$$f(z) = \frac{3}{-z^2 + z + 2} = \frac{1}{1+z} + \frac{1}{2-z} = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} (-z)^k + \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{z^k}{2^{k+1}}$$
$$= \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} (-z)^k + \frac{z^k}{2^{k+1}},$$

which holds when |z| < 1.

Now we focus on the annulus 1 < |z| < 2. We can manipulate the terms as follows:

$$\frac{1}{1+z} = \frac{1}{z} \frac{1}{\frac{1}{z}+1} = \frac{1}{z} \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^k}{z^k} = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^k}{z^{k+1}},$$

which converges when |z| > 1. We can also expand the other term, giving

$$\frac{1}{2-z} = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{z^k}{2^{k+1}},$$

which holds for |z| < 2. Combining these gives

$$f(z) = \frac{1}{z+1} + \frac{1}{2-z} = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^k}{z^{k+1}} + \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{z^k}{2^{k+1}} = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^k}{z^{k+1}} + \frac{z^k}{2^{k+1}},$$

which holds for 1 < |z| < 2.

Finally, let's examine the case |z| > 2. We can recycle the manipulation of $\frac{1}{1+z}$ from above since its valid for |z| > 1. For the other term, we have

$$\frac{1}{2-z} = \frac{1}{z} \frac{1}{\frac{2}{z}-1} = -\frac{1}{z} \frac{1}{1-\frac{2}{z}} = -\frac{1}{z} \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{2^k}{z^k} = -\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{2^k}{z^{k+1}},$$

which holds for |z| > 2. Combining the two series gives

$$f(z) = \frac{1}{z+1} + \frac{1}{2-z} = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^k}{z^{k+1}} - \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{2^k}{z^{k+1}}$$
$$= \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^k - 2^k}{z^{k+1}},$$

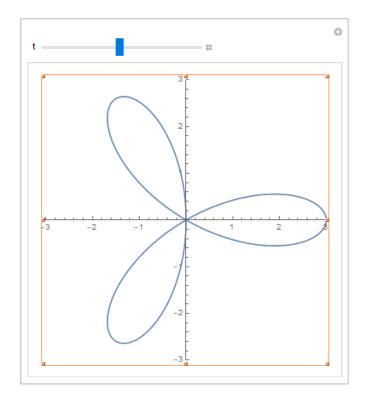
which holds for all |z| > 2. Thus, these are three different Laurent series for $f(z) = \frac{3}{-z^2 + z + 2}$.

3. (a) Sketch γ .

 $p[s_{-}] := ParametricPlot[{3 Cos[t] Cos[3 t], 3 Sin[t] Cos[3 t]}, {t, 0, s}, PlotRange -> {{-3, 3}, {-3, 3}}]$

Manipulate[p[t], {t, 0.1, 2 Pi}]

This code allows me to use the slider to watch what happens to the graph of γ as the range of t is varied. It's from this that we see that each lobe has positive orientation as t is increasing.



We can see that the figure completes an entire loop and touches its endpoint when $t = \pi$. Thus, since $t \in [0, 2\pi]$, γ traces itself twice.

(b) Compute the exact value of $\int_{\gamma} f(z) dz$

In order the compute this integral, we will split up γ into its three lobes and evaluate them separately. Let the rightmost lobe be γ_1 and working counterclockwise, the next two lobes be γ_2 and γ_3 . By watching the manipulation of γ with Mathematica, we can each region is positively oriented.

Let's begin with γ_1 . We can see that γ_1 encloses the point a=1. We can then apply Cauchy's integral formula by rearranging the integrand as follows:

$$\int_{\gamma_1} f(z) \ dz = \int_{\gamma_1} \frac{1}{(z^2 + 2z + 2)(z - 1)} \ dz = \int_{\gamma_1} \frac{\frac{1}{(z^2 + 2z + 2)}}{z - 1} \ dz$$

$$=2\pi i \frac{1}{1+2+2} = \frac{2\pi i}{5}$$

Now let's examine γ_2 in a similar fashion. We can see the point a = -1 + i is contained within γ_2 , which is also a root of the second degree polynomial. We can then rearrange the integral as follows:

$$\int_{\gamma_2} \frac{1}{(z^2 + 2z + 2)(z - 1)} dz = \int_{\gamma_2} \frac{\frac{1}{(z + 1 + i)(z - 1)}}{z + 1 - i} dz$$

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

$$= \frac{2\pi i}{-2 - 4i} = \frac{\pi i}{-1 - 2i}$$

Finally, let's evaluate γ_3 in a similar fashion. I omit explanation for obvious reasons.

$$\int_{\gamma_3} \frac{1}{(z^2 + 2z + 2)(z - 1)} dz = \int_{\gamma_3} \frac{\frac{1}{(z - 1)(z + 1 - i)}}{z + 1 + i}$$

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

$$= \frac{2\pi i}{-2 + 4i} = \frac{\pi i}{-1 + 2i}$$

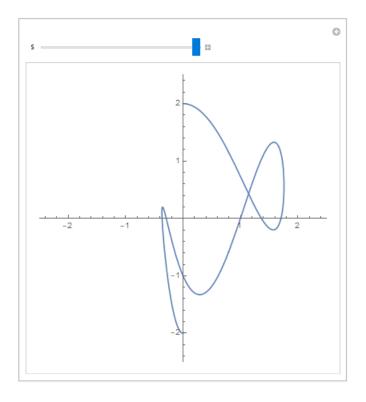
Now we add the integrals together:

$$\int_{\gamma} f(z) dz = \int_{\gamma_1} f(z) dz + \int_{\gamma_2} f(z) dz + \int_{\gamma_3} f(z) dz$$
$$= \frac{2\pi i}{5} + \frac{\pi i}{-1 - 2i} + \frac{\pi i}{-1 + 2i} = 0$$

4. (a) Sketch γ .

p[s_] := ParametricPlot[{Sin[t] + Sin[2 t], Cos[t] + Cos[5
t]}, {t, 0, s}, PlotRange -> {{-2.5, 2.5}, {-2.5, 2.5}}]
Manipulate[p[s], {s, 0.1, Pi}]

Similar to the previous code, this enters γ as a parametrized curve and then allows me to view how γ is traced as t varies from 0 to π .



We can see that γ takes a very strange path. It is not "nice" as in the previous problem, which makes integration over γ a somewhat more formidable task.

(b) Find a Laurent series representation of f(z) about 0. Luckily for us, the form of this function makes finding a proper Laurent series exceedingly easy. Observe:

$$f(z) = \frac{e^z}{z^3} = z^{-3}e^z$$

We already know a series expansion for e^z , giving

$$z^{-3}e^{z} = z^{-3}\left(1 + z + \frac{z^{2}}{2} + \frac{z^{3}}{6} + \dots\right) = \frac{1}{z^{3}} + \frac{1}{z^{2}} + \frac{1}{2z} + \frac{1}{6} + \dots$$
$$= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{z^{n-3}}{n!}$$

(c) Use part (b) to find an approximation for $\int_{\gamma} f(z) dz$.

For this section I just mimicked the example in the supplementary document, evaluating terms up to k=3 by hand. This gave me the mathematica code

When evaluated, this gives the solution

$$\int_{\gamma} f(z) \ dz \approx 0 + 3.1955i.$$