

Lecture 40 Mittag-Leffler and Weierstraß theorems

Meromorphic functions : poles at a discrete set of pts in Ω .

Give mero fcn f on Ω the value ∞ at poles. Get

$f: \Omega \rightarrow \hat{\mathbb{C}}$ "analytic" from the point of view of $\hat{\mathbb{C}}$ as a complex manifold (Riemann surface).

[Coordinate chart at ∞ : $\{z: |z| > \frac{1}{\varepsilon}\} \cup \{\infty\} \xrightarrow{\frac{1}{z}} D_{\varepsilon}(0)$]

Mittag-Leffler thm Given a seq $\{a_n\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$ of distinct pts in $\mathbb{C}$ such that $a_n \rightarrow \infty$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$ and principal

parts $R_n(z) = \frac{A_{N_n, n}}{(z-a_n)^{N_n}} + \dots + \frac{A_{1, n}}{(z-a_n)} ,$

there exists a meromorphic fcn on $\mathbb{C}$ with poles precisely at the a_n with princ part $R_n(z)$ at a_n .

EX: $a_n = n$, $R_n(z) = \frac{1}{(z-n)^2}$

$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{(z-n)^2}$ works.

On $D_R(0) = \underbrace{\sum_{n \leq R} \frac{1}{(z-n)^2}}_{\text{has given p.p. inside } D_R(0)} + \underbrace{\sum_{n > R} \frac{1}{(z-n)^2}}_{\text{converges unif on compact subsets of } D_R(0) \text{ to analytic.}}$

[Compare with $\sum_{n > R} \frac{1}{(n-R)^2}$]

EX: Ouch! Can't do it so simply if $a_n = n$, $R_n(z) = \frac{1}{z-n}^2$ because $\sum \frac{1}{n} = \infty$.

PF of M-L thm: First try $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} R_n(z)$. Might not work. Second try: $f = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} [R_n(z) - p_n(z)]$

where $p_n(z)$ is Taylor poly about $z=0$ for $R_n(z)$ such that $|R_n(z) - p_n(z)| < \frac{1}{2^n}$ on $\overline{D_{r_n}(0)}$ where

$$r_n = \frac{|a_n|}{2}.$$

Claim: This f works. Take big disc $D_R(0)$.

$\exists N$ such that $r_n = \frac{|a_n|}{2} > R$ if $n > N$.

$$f(z) = \underbrace{\sum_{n=1}^N (R_n(z) - p_n(z))}_{\text{rational fcn with desired p.p.'s in } D_R(0)} + \sum_{n=N+1}^{\infty} \underbrace{(R_n(z) - p_n(z))}_{| | < \frac{1}{2^n}}$$

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Weierstraß M-test
 $\Rightarrow \sum$ conv to an
analytic fcn on $D_R(0)$.

Remark M-L thm true for mero fcns on any domain.

Weierstraß thm Given a seq $\{a_n\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$ of distinct

pts in $\mathbb{C}$ with $a_n \rightarrow \infty$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$ and positive

integers m_n , there is an entire fcn with zeroes precisely at a_n 's with given multiplicities.

Pf: M-L thm + Gen^d residue thm $\Rightarrow$ W. thm.

$$\left[\begin{array}{l} \text{Hmmm. } \frac{f'}{f} = \frac{m_n}{z-a_n} + (\text{analytic near } a_n) \\ \text{M-L Thm} \Rightarrow \exists \text{ mero fcn with poles at } a_n\text{'s} \\ \text{and p.p.'s } \frac{m_n}{z-a_n} \end{array} \right.$$

$$\left[\text{Hmmm. } f(z) \text{ " = " } e^{\log f} = e^{\int_{\gamma_a^z} \frac{f'}{f} dw} \right.$$

Details: M-L $\Rightarrow \exists$ mero F on $\mathbb{C}$ with poles at a_n with p.p. $\frac{m_n}{z-a_n}$. Fix a pt $a \in \mathbb{C} - \{a_n\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$.

"Define" $f(z) = \exp \left(\int_{\gamma_a^z} F(w) dw \right)$ ← non-vanishing on $\mathbb{C} - \{a_n\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$

where γ_a^z is curve in $\mathbb{C} - \{a_n\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$ that starts at a and goes to z .

Step 1 $f(z)$ is well defined.

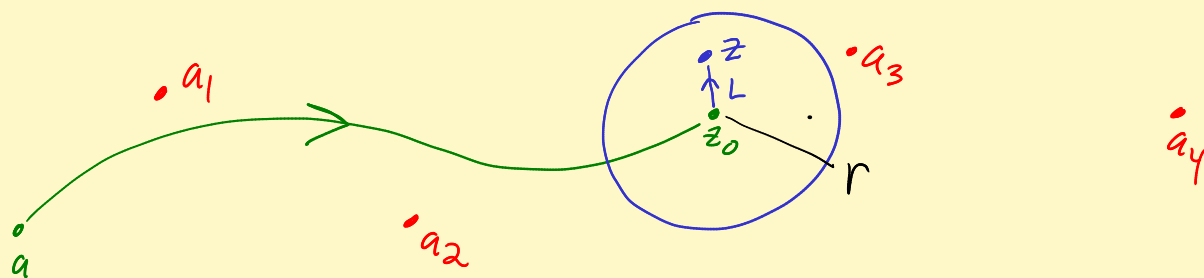
$$\frac{f(z)}{\hat{f}(z)} = \exp \left(\underbrace{\left(\int_{\gamma_a^z} + \int_{-\tilde{\gamma}_a^z} \right)}_{\Gamma = \gamma_a^z \cup (-\tilde{\gamma}_a^z) \text{ is closed!}} F(w) dw \right)$$

$$= \exp \left(2\pi i \sum_1^{\infty} \underbrace{\text{Ind}_p(a_n)}_{\text{integer!}} \cdot \underbrace{\text{Res}_{a_n} F}_{m_n} \right)$$

$$= \exp \left((2\pi i) (\text{integer}) \right) = \underline{1}$$

So $f(z) = \tilde{f}(z)$ is indep of choice of γ_a^z .

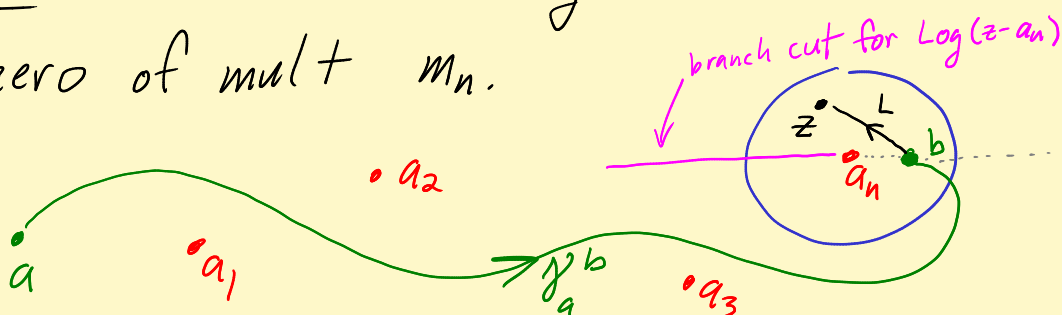
Step 2 f is analytic on $\mathbb{C} - \{a_n\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$.



$$f(z) = \exp \left(\underbrace{\int_{\gamma_a^{z_0}} F(w) dw}_{\text{const}} + \underbrace{\int_{L_{z_0}^z F(w) dw}_{\text{analytic antiderivative for } F \text{ on } D_r(z_0)}} \right)$$

✓ f analytic on $D_r(z_0)$.

Step 3 a_n removable sing for f . In fact a_n is a zero of mult m_n .



$$f(z) = \exp \left(\underbrace{\int_a^b F(w) dw}_{\text{const}} + \underbrace{\int_b^z \frac{m_n}{w - a_n} dw}_{m_n (\underbrace{\log(z - a_n) - \log(b - a_n)}_{\text{const}})} + \underbrace{\int_b^z \underbrace{H(w)}_{\text{analytic}} dw}_{\text{analytic antider for } H} \right)^5$$

Aha! $f(z) = \underbrace{\exp(m_n \log(z - a_n))}_{(z - a_n)^{m_n}} \underbrace{\exp(\text{analytic fcn near } a_n)}_{\text{non-vanishing}}$

Hmmm. What about purple branch cut?

Aha! Argument gives $f(z)$ above cut, below cut, extend continuously up to cut and agree there.

Cor of Morera $\Rightarrow$ the extension is analytic across cut. Formulas now show a_n is removable and is a zero of mult m_n .

Weierstraß pf was via infinite products.

Cor: Mero fns on $\mathbb{C} = \left\{ \frac{f}{g} : f, g \text{ entire, } g \neq 0 \right\}$