

# MAS205 Complex Variables 2004-2005

## Exercises 6

Exercise 23: Find the Laurent series of the function

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

on a punctured disk centred at the point  $z_0 = 2$ .

Where is this Laurent series valid (i.e. absolutely convergent)?

What is the principal part of this Laurent series?

What type of singularity does  $f$  have at  $z_0 = 2$ ?

What is the residue of  $f$  at  $z_0 = 2$ ?

Exercise 24: Locate the singularities for each of the following functions, and determine the nature of each singularity:

$$(a) \frac{1}{z^4 - 16} \quad (b) \frac{1}{(z-1)^4} + e^{-1/(z+3)} \quad (c) z^2(e^{1/z^2} - 1) \quad (d) \frac{\sin(z^2)}{z^2}$$

Exercise 25: (a) List the singularities of the function  $f(z) = e^{-iz}/(z^2 - \pi^2)$  and determine the nature of each singularity. Compute the residue of  $f$  at each singularity.

(b) List the singularities of the function  $f(z) = e^{1/z}/(1+z)$  and determine the nature of each singularity. Compute the residue of  $f$  at each singularity.

Exercise 26: Let  $f$  and  $g$  be holomorphic on a disk  $D$  centred at  $z_0$ , and let  $h$  be holomorphic on the punctured disk  $D' = D \setminus \{z_0\}$ . Suppose  $f$  and  $g$  both have zeros of order  $m \geq 1$  at  $z_0$  and  $h$  has a pole of order  $n \geq 1$  at  $z_0$ .

(a) Does  $fh$  have a zero or pole at  $z_0$ ? If so, what is its order?

(b) Does  $f+g$  have a zero or pole at  $z_0$ ? If so, what is its order?

Exercise 27: Let  $E$  denote the set of all entire functions.

(a) Is  $E$  a group under addition (i.e.  $(f+g)(z) = f(z) + g(z)$ )?

(b) Is  $E$  a group under multiplication (i.e.  $(fg)(z) = f(z)g(z)$ )?

(c) Is  $E$  a group under composition (i.e.  $(f \circ g)(z) = f(g(z))$ )?

Prove your answers.

Note: determining the type of singularity means finding out whether it is a pole (if so, which order?), an essential singularity, or a removable singularity.

Please hand in your solutions (to the yellow Complex Variables box on the ground floor) by 11am Tuesday 23rd November

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$$\begin{aligned}
 23) \quad f(z) &= \frac{1}{(z+3)(z-2)^2} = \frac{1}{(z-2)^2} \frac{1}{5+(z-2)} \\
 &= \frac{1}{5(z-2)^2} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \left[ -\frac{1}{5}(z-2) \right]^n \\
 &= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n}{5^{n+1}} (z-2)^{n-2} = \sum_{n=-2}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n}{5^{n+2}} (z-2)^n \\
 &= \frac{1}{5} \frac{1}{(z-2)^2} - \frac{1}{25} \frac{1}{(z-2)^2} + \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n}{5^{n+2}} (z-2)^n \quad 8
 \end{aligned}$$

also convergent for  $0 < |z-2| < 5$  3

principal part  $\frac{1}{5} \frac{1}{(z-2)^2} - \frac{1}{25} \frac{1}{(z-2)^2}$  3

pole of order 2 at  $z_0 = 2$  3

residue  $-\frac{1}{25}$  3

24) (a) simple poles at  $\pm 2, \pm 2i$  5

(b) pole of order 4 at 1, essential sing. at -3 5

(c) essential singularity at 0  $(f(z) = z^2 \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{z^{-2n}}{n!})$  5

(d) removable singularity at 0  $f(z) = \frac{1}{z^2} (z^2 - \frac{z^6}{3!} + \dots)$  5

25) (a) simple poles at  $z = \pm\pi$  4

$$f(z) = \frac{e^{-iz}}{2\pi} \left( \frac{1}{z-\pi} - \frac{1}{z+\pi} \right)$$

residue at  $\pi$ :  $+\frac{e^{-i\pi}}{2\pi} = -\frac{1}{2\pi}$  3


residue at  $-\pi$ :  $-\frac{e^{i\pi}}{2\pi} = +\frac{1}{2\pi}$  3

(b) simple pole at  $z = -1$ , essential sing at  $z = 0$  4

$$f(z) = \frac{e^{1/2}}{1+z}$$

residue at  $-1$ :  $-e^{-1} = -1/e$  3

residue at  $0$ :  $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n!} z^{-n} \sum_{m=0}^{\infty} (-z)^m$  3

coefficient of  $z^{-1}$  is  $\frac{1}{1!} - \frac{1}{2!} + \frac{1}{3!} - \frac{1}{4!} = e^{-1} - 1$  

26)  $f(z) = F(z)(z-z_0)^m$   $F(z_0) \neq 0$ ,  $F$  hol on  $D$  2

$g(z) = G(z)(z-z_0)^m$   $G(z_0) \neq 0$ ,  $G$  hol on  $D$  2

$h(z) = H(z)(z-z_0)^{-n}$   $H(z_0) \neq 0$ ,  $H$  hol on  $D'$  2

a)  $f(z)h(z) = F(z)H(z)(z-z_0)^{m-n}$   $FH$  hol on  $D'$   
 $FH(z_0) \neq 0$  2

$m > n$ : zero of order  $m-n$  (removable singularity) 2

$m = n$ : neither zero nor pole 2

$n < m$ : pole of order  $n-m$  2

b)  $f(z)g(z) = [F(z)+G(z)](z-z_0)^m$   $F+G$  hol on  $D$  2

zero of at least order  $m$  2  $F(z_0) > G(z_0)$  may be zero 2

27)

- (a) yes. 2      error ✓      2  
                                closure ✓      2  
                                identity  $e(z) = 0$  ✓      2  
                                inverse  $(-f)(z) = -f(z)$  ✓      2

- (b) no, inverse doesn't exist 2:      identity  $e(z) = 1$   
  inverse  $(f^{-1})(z) = \frac{1}{f(z)}$  not entire 3  
  (pole at  $z_0$  where  $f(z_0) = 0$ )

- (c) no, inverse doesn't exist 2:      identity  $e(z) = z$       3  
  problem is lack of surjectivity:      inverse of e.g.  $f(z) = z^2$  not entire.