

TAYLORS AND LAURENTS SERIES

In this section, we find a power series for the given analytic function. Taylor's series is a series of positive powers while Laurent's series is a series of both positive and negative powers.

Taylor's Series

If $f(z)$ is analytic inside and on a circle C with centre at point 'a' and radius 'R' then at each point Z inside C ,

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

(OR)

$$f(z) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(z-a)^n}{n!} f^n(a)$$

This is known as Taylor's series of $f(z)$ about $z = a$.

Note: 1 Putting $a = 0$ in the Taylor's series we get

$$f(z) = f(0) + (z-0) \frac{f'(0)}{1!} + (z-0)^2 \frac{f''(0)}{2!} + \dots \text{ this series is called Maclaurin's Series.}$$

Note: 2 The Maclaurin's for some elementary functions are

- 1) $(1-z)^{-1} = 1 + z + z^2 + z^3 + \dots$, when $|z| < 1$
- 2) $(1+z)^{-1} = 1 - z + z^2 - z^3 + \dots$, when $|z| < 1$
- 3) $(1-z)^{-2} = 1 + 2z + 3z^2 + 4z^3 + \dots$, when $|z| < 1$
- 4) $(1+z)^{-2} = 1 - 2z + 3z^2 - 4z^3 + \dots$, when $|z| < 1$
- 5) $e^z = 1 + \frac{z}{1!} + \frac{z^2}{2!} + \dots$ when $|z| < \infty$
- 6) $e^z = 1 - \frac{z}{1!} + \frac{z^2}{2!} + \dots$ when $|z| < \infty$
- 7) $\sin z = z - \frac{z^3}{3!} + \frac{z^5}{5!} + \dots$ when $|z| < \infty$
- 8) $\cos z = 1 - \frac{z^2}{2!} + \frac{z^4}{4!} + \dots$ when $|z| < \infty$

LAURENTS SERIES

If c_1 and c_2 are two concentric circles with centre at $z = a$ and radii r_1 and r_2 ($r_1 < r_2$) and if $f(z)$ is analytic inside on the circles and within the annulus between c_1 and c_2 then for any z in the annulus, we have

$$f(z) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n (z-a)^n + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} b_n (z-a)^{-n} \dots (1)$$

Where $a_n = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{c_1} \frac{f(z)}{(z-a)^{n+1}} dz$ and $b_n = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{c_2} \frac{f(z)}{(z-a)^{1-n}} dz$ and the integration being taken in positive direction. This series (1) is called Laurent series of $f(z)$ about the point $z = a$

Note:

- 1) If $f(z)$ is analytic inside c_2 , then the Laurent's series reduces to the Taylor series of $f(z)$ with centre a , since the negative powers in Laurent's series is Zero.
- 2) As the Taylor's and Laurent's expansion in the regions are unique, they can find by simpler method such as binomial series.

- 3) In Laurent's series the part $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n(z-a)^n$, consisting of positive powers of $(z-a)$ is called the analytic part of Laurent's series, while $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} b_n(z-a)^{-n}$ consisting of negative powers of $(z-a)$ is called the principal part of Laurent's series.
- 4) The coefficient of $\frac{1}{z-a}$ (i.e) b , in the Laurent's expansion of $f(z)$ about a singularity $z = a$ valid in region $0 < |z-a| < r$ is also called residue.

$$(i.e) \text{ coeff of } \frac{1}{z-a} = \text{Res} [f(z), z = a]$$

Problems based on Taylor's series

Example: 4.18 Expand $f(z) = \cos z$ as a Taylor's series about $z = \frac{\pi}{4}$.

Solution:

Function	Value of function at $z = \frac{\pi}{4}$
$f(z) = \cos z$	$f\left(\frac{\pi}{4}\right) = \cos\left(\frac{\pi}{4}\right) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}$
$f'(z) = -\sin z$	$f'\left(\frac{\pi}{4}\right) = -\sin\left(\frac{\pi}{4}\right) = -\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}$
$f''(z) = -\cos z$	$f''\left(\frac{\pi}{4}\right) = -\cos\left(\frac{\pi}{4}\right) = -\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}$
$f'''(z) = \sin z$	$f'''\left(\frac{\pi}{4}\right) = \sin\left(\frac{\pi}{4}\right) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}$

The Taylor series of $f(z)$ about $z = \frac{\pi}{4}$ is $f(z) = f\left(\frac{\pi}{4}\right) + \left(z - \frac{\pi}{4}\right) \frac{f'\left(\frac{\pi}{4}\right)}{1!} + \left(z - \frac{\pi}{4}\right)^2 \frac{f''\left(\frac{\pi}{4}\right)}{2!} + \dots$

$$\cos z = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} + \left(z - \frac{\pi}{4}\right) \frac{-\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}}{1!} + \left(z - \frac{\pi}{4}\right)^2 \frac{-\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}}{2!} + \dots$$

Example: 4.19 Expand $f(z) = \log(1+z)$ as a Taylor's series about $z = 0$.

Solution:

Function	Value of function at $z = 0$
$f(z) = \log(1+z)$	$f(0) = \log(1+0) = 0$
$f'(z) = \frac{1}{1+z}$	$f'(0) = \frac{1}{1+0} = 1$
$f''(z) = \frac{-1}{(1+z)^2}$	$f''(0) = \frac{-1}{(1+0)^2} = -1$
$f'''(z) = \frac{2}{(1+z)^3}$	$f'''(0) = \frac{2}{(1+0)^3} = 2$

The Taylor series of $f(z)$ about $z = 0$ is

$$f(z) = f(0) + (z-0) \frac{f'(0)}{1!} + (z-0)^2 \frac{f''(0)}{2!} + \dots$$

$$\log(1+z) = 0 + (z) \frac{1}{1!} + (z)^2 \frac{-1}{2!} + \dots$$

$$\log(1+z) = (z) \frac{1}{1!} - (z)^2 \frac{1}{2!} + \dots$$

Example: 4.20 Expand $f(z) = \frac{1}{z-2}$ as a Taylor's series about $z = 1$.

Solution:

Function	Value of function at $z = 1$
$f(z) = \frac{1}{z-2}$	$f(z) = \frac{1}{1-2} = -1$
$f'(z) = \frac{-1}{(z-2)^2}$	$f'(1) = \frac{-1}{(1-2)^2} = -1$
$f''(z) = \frac{2}{(z-2)^3}$	$f''(1) = \frac{2}{(1-2)^3} = -2$
$f'''(z) = \frac{-6}{(z-2)^4}$	$f'''(1) = \frac{-6}{(1-2)^4} = -6$

The Taylor series of $f(z)$ about $z = 1$ is

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

$$\frac{1}{z-2} = -1 + (z-1)\frac{-1}{1!} + (z-1)^2\frac{-2}{2!} + \dots$$

Problems based on Laurent's Series

Working rule to expand $f(z)$ as a Laurent's Series

Let $f(z) = \frac{1}{z+a} + \frac{1}{z+b}$ with $a < b$

(i) To expand $f(z)$ in $|z| < a$, rewrite $f(z)$ as

$$f(z) = \frac{1}{a(1+z/a)} + \frac{1}{b(1+z/b)}$$

$$= \frac{1}{a}(1+z/a)^{-1} + \frac{1}{b}(1+z/b)^{-1}$$

Now use Binomial expansion.

(ii) To expand $f(z)$ in $|z| > a$, rewrite $f(z)$ as

$$f(z) = \frac{1}{z(1+a/z)} + \frac{1}{z(1+b/z)}$$

$$= \frac{1}{z}(1+a/z)^{-1} + \frac{1}{z}(1+b/z)^{-1}$$

Now use Binomial expansion.

(iii) To expand $f(z)$ in $a < |z| < b$, rewrite $f(z)$ as

$$f(z) = \frac{1}{z(1+a/z)} + \frac{1}{b(1+z/b)}$$

$$= \frac{1}{z}(1+a/z)^{-1} + \frac{1}{b}(1+z/b)^{-1}$$

Now use Binomial expansion.

Example: 4.21 Expand $f(z) = \frac{z^2-1}{(z+2)(z+3)}$ as a Laurent's series if (i) $|z| < 2$ (ii) $|z| > 3$

(iii) $2 < |z| < 3$

Solution:

Given $f(z) = \frac{z^2-1}{(z+2)(z+3)}$ is an improper fraction. Since degree of numerator and degree of denominator of $f(z)$ are same

∴ Apply division process

$$\begin{array}{r} 1 \\ z^2 + 5z + 6 \overline{) z^2 - 1} \\ \underline{z^2 + 5z + 6} \\ -5z - 7 \end{array}$$

$$\therefore \frac{z^2-1}{(z+2)(z+3)} = 1 - \frac{5z+7}{(z+2)(z+3)} \dots (1)$$

$$\text{Consider } \frac{5z+7}{(z+2)(z+3)} = \frac{A}{z+2} + \frac{B}{z+3}$$

$$\Rightarrow 5z + 7 = A(z+3) + B(z+2)$$

$$\text{Put } z = -2, \text{ we get } -10 + 7 = A(1)$$

$$\Rightarrow A = -3$$

$$\text{Put } z = -3, \text{ we get } -15 + 7 = B(-1)$$

$$\Rightarrow B = 8$$

$$\therefore \frac{5z+7}{(z+2)(z+3)} = \frac{-3}{z+2} + \frac{8}{z+3}$$

$$\therefore (1) \Rightarrow 1 - \frac{3}{z+2} - \frac{8}{z+3}$$

(i) Given $|z| < 2$

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

(ii) Given $|z| > 3$

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

(iii) Given $2 < |z| < 3$

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

Example: 4.22 Find the Laurent's series expansion of $f(z) = \frac{7z-2}{z(z-2)(z+1)}$ in $1 < |z+1| < 3$.

Also find the residue of $f(z)$ at $z = -1$

Solution:

$$\text{Given } f(z) = \frac{7z-2}{z(z-2)(z+1)}$$

$$\frac{7z-2}{z(z-2)(z+1)} = \frac{A}{z} + \frac{B}{z-2} + \frac{C}{z+1}$$

$$7z - 2 = A(z-2)(z+1) + Bz(z+1) + Cz(z-2)$$

$$\text{Put } z = 2, \text{ we get } 14 - 2 = B(2)(2+1)$$

$$\Rightarrow 12 = 6B$$

$$\Rightarrow B = 2$$

$$\text{Put } z = -1, \text{ we get } -7 - 2 = C(-1)(-1-2)$$

$$\Rightarrow -9 = 3C$$

$$\Rightarrow C = -3$$

$$\text{Put } z = 0 \text{ we get } -2 = A(-2)$$

$$\Rightarrow A = 1$$

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

$$\text{Given region is } 1 < |z+1| < 3$$

$$\text{Let } u = z+1 \Rightarrow z = u-1$$

$$(i.e) 1 < |u| < 3$$

$$\text{Now } f(z) = \frac{1}{u-1} + \frac{2}{u-3} - \frac{3}{u}$$

$$= \frac{1}{u(1-1/u)} + \frac{2}{-3(1-u/3)} - \frac{3}{u}$$

$$= \frac{1}{u} \left(1 - 1/u\right)^{-1} - \frac{2}{3} \left(1 - u/3\right)^{-1} - \frac{3}{u}$$

$$= \frac{1}{u} \left[1 + \frac{1}{u} + \left[\frac{1}{u}\right]^2 + \dots\right] - \frac{2}{3} \left[1 + \frac{u}{3} + \left[\frac{u}{3}\right]^2 + \dots\right] - \frac{3}{u}$$

$$= \frac{1}{z+1} \left[1 + \frac{1}{z+1} + \left[\frac{1}{z+1}\right]^2 + \dots\right] - \frac{2}{3} \left[1 + \frac{z+1}{3} + \left[\frac{z+1}{3}\right]^2 + \dots\right] - \frac{3}{z+1}$$

$$= \frac{1}{z+1} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \left[\frac{1}{z+1}\right]^n - \frac{2}{3} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \left[\frac{1}{3}\right]^n - \frac{3}{z+1}$$

$$\text{Also } \text{Res}[f(z), z = -1] = \text{coefficient of } \frac{1}{z+1} = -2$$

Example: 4.23 Expand $f(z) = \frac{1}{(z-1)(z-2)}$ in a Laurent's series valid in the region

(i) $|z-1| > 1$ (ii) $0 < |z-2| < 1$ (iii) $|z| > 2$ (iv) $0 < |z-1| < 1$

Solution:

$$\text{Given } f(z) = \frac{1}{(z-1)(z-2)}$$

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

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

$$\text{Put } z = 2, \text{ we get } 1 = B(1)$$

$$\Rightarrow B = 1$$

Put $z = 1$ we get $1 = A(1 - 2)$

$$\Rightarrow A = -1$$

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

(i) Given region is $|z - 1| > 1$

Let $u = z - 1 \Rightarrow z = u + 1$

$$(i.e) |u| > 1$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Now } f(z) &= -\frac{1}{u} + \frac{1}{u-1} \\ &= \frac{-1}{u} + \frac{1}{u(1-1/u)} \\ &= \frac{-1}{u} + \frac{1}{u} \left(1 - 1/u\right)^{-1} \\ &= \frac{-1}{u} + \frac{1}{u} \left[1 + \frac{1}{u} + \left[\frac{1}{u}\right]^2 + \dots\right] \\ &= \frac{-1}{z+1} + \frac{1}{z+1} \left[1 + \frac{1}{z+1} + \left[\frac{1}{z+1}\right]^2 + \dots\right] \\ &= \frac{-1}{z+1} + \frac{1}{z+1} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \left[\frac{1}{z+1}\right]^n \end{aligned}$$

(ii) Given $0 < |z - 2| < 1$

Let $u = z - 2 \Rightarrow z = u + 2$

$$(i.e) 0 < |u| < 1$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Now } f(z) &= -\frac{1}{u+1} + \frac{1}{u} \\ &= -(1+u)^{-1} + \frac{1}{u} \\ &= -[1 - u + [u]^2 + \dots] + \frac{1}{u} \\ &= -[1 - (z-2) + [z-2]^2 + \dots] + \frac{1}{z-2} \\ &= -\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} [-1]^n [z-2]^n + \frac{1}{z-2} \end{aligned}$$

(iii) Given $|z| > 2$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Now } f(z) &= -\frac{1}{z(1-\frac{1}{z})} + \frac{1}{z(1-\frac{2}{z})} \\ &= -\frac{1}{z} \left(1 - \frac{1}{z}\right)^{-1} + \frac{1}{z} \left(1 - \frac{2}{z}\right)^{-1} \\ &= -\frac{1}{z} \left[1 + \frac{1}{z} + \left[\frac{1}{z}\right]^2 + \dots\right] + \frac{1}{z} \left[1 + \frac{2}{z} + \left[\frac{2}{z}\right]^2 + \dots\right] \\ &= -\frac{1}{z} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \left[\frac{1}{z}\right]^n + \frac{1}{z} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \left[\frac{2}{z}\right]^n \end{aligned}$$

(iv) Given $0 < |z - 1| < 1$

Let $u = z - 1 \Rightarrow z = u + 1$

$$(i.e) 0 < |u| < 1$$

$$\text{Now } f(z) = -\frac{1}{u} + \frac{1}{u-1}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
&= -\frac{1}{u} + \frac{1}{-1[1-u]} \\
&= -\frac{1}{u} - (1-u)^{-1} \\
&= -\frac{1}{u} - [1 + u + [u]^2 + \dots] \\
&= -\frac{1}{z-1} - [1 + z - 1 + [z-1]^2 + \dots] \\
&= -\frac{1}{z-1} - \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} [z-1]^n
\end{aligned}$$

Example: 4.24 Expand $f(z) = \frac{z}{(z+1)(z-2)}$ in a Laurent's series about (i) $z = -1$ (ii) $z = 2$

Solution:

$$\begin{aligned}
\text{Consider } \frac{z}{(z+1)(z-2)} &= \frac{A}{z+1} + \frac{B}{z-2} \\
\Rightarrow z &= A(z-2) + B(z+1)
\end{aligned}$$

Put $z = 2$, we get $2 = B(3)$

$$\Rightarrow B = \frac{2}{3}$$

Put $z = -1$ we get $-1 = A(-3)$

$$\Rightarrow A = \frac{1}{3}$$

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

(i) To expand $f(z)$ about $z = -1$

$$(\text{or}) |z - 1| < 1$$

Put $z + 1 = u \Rightarrow z = u - 1$

$$\Rightarrow |z - 1| < 1 \Rightarrow |u| < 1$$

$$\begin{aligned}
\text{Now } f(z) &= \frac{1}{3u} + \frac{2}{3(u-3)} \\
&= \frac{1}{3u} + \frac{2}{3((-3)(1-u/3))} \\
&= \frac{1}{3u} - \frac{2}{9} (1 - u/3)^{-1} \\
&= \frac{1}{3u} - \frac{2}{9} \left[1 + \frac{u}{3} + \left[\frac{u}{3} \right]^2 + \dots \right] \\
&= \frac{1}{3(z+1)} - \frac{2}{9} \left[1 + \frac{(z+1)}{3} + \left[\frac{(z+1)}{3} \right]^2 + \dots \right] \\
&= \frac{1}{3(z+1)} - \frac{2}{9} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \left[\frac{(z+1)}{3} \right]^n
\end{aligned}$$

(ii) To expand $f(z)$ about $z = 2$

$$(\text{or}) |z - 2| < 1$$

Put $z - 2 = u \Rightarrow z = u + 2$

$$\Rightarrow |z - 2| < 1 \Rightarrow |u| < 1$$

$$\begin{aligned}
\text{Now } f(z) &= \frac{1}{3(u+3)} + \frac{2}{3(u)} \\
&= \frac{1}{3((3)(1+u/3))} + \frac{2}{3(u)}
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
&= \frac{1}{9} \left(1 + \frac{u}{3}\right)^{-1} + \frac{2}{3(u)} \\
&= \frac{1}{9} \left[1 - \frac{u}{3} + \left[\frac{u}{3}\right]^2 + \dots\right] + \frac{2}{3(u)} \\
&= \frac{1}{9} \left[1 - \frac{(z-2)}{3} + \left[\frac{(z-2)}{3}\right]^2 + \dots\right] + \frac{2}{3(z-2)} \\
&= \frac{1}{9} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (-1)^n \left[\frac{(z-2)}{3}\right]^n + \frac{2}{3(z-2)}
\end{aligned}$$

Example: 4.25 Expand the Laurent's series about for $f(z) = \frac{6z+5}{z(z-2)(z+1)}$ in the region $1 < |z+1| < 3$

Solution:

$$\begin{aligned}
\text{Consider } \frac{6z+5}{z(z-2)(z+1)} &= \frac{A}{z} + \frac{B}{z-2} + \frac{C}{z+1} \\
\Rightarrow 6z+5 &= A(z-2)(z+1) + Bz(z+1) + Cz(z-2)
\end{aligned}$$

Put $z = 0$, we get $5 = A(-2)(1)$

$$\Rightarrow A = \frac{-5}{2}$$

Put $z = -1$ we get $-11 = C(-1)(-3)$

$$\Rightarrow C = -\frac{11}{3}$$

Put $z = 2$ we get $17 = B(2)(3)$

$$\Rightarrow B = \frac{17}{6}$$

$$\therefore f(z) = \frac{-5}{2z} + \frac{17}{6(z-2)} - \frac{11}{3(z+1)}$$

Given region $1 < |z+1| < 3$

Put $z+1 = u \Rightarrow z = u-1$

(i.e) $1 < |u| < 3$

$$\begin{aligned}
\text{Now } f(z) &= \frac{-5}{2(u-1)} + \frac{17}{6(u-3)} - \frac{11}{3u} \\
&= \frac{-5}{2u(1-\frac{1}{u})} + \frac{17}{6(-3)(1-\frac{u}{3})} - \frac{11}{3u} \\
&= \frac{-5}{2u} \left[1 - \frac{1}{u}\right]^{-1} - \frac{17}{18} \left[1 - \frac{u}{3}\right]^{-1} - \frac{11}{3u} \\
&= \frac{-5}{2u} \left[1 + \frac{1}{u} + \left[\frac{1}{u}\right]^2 + \dots\right] - \frac{17}{18} \left[1 + \frac{u}{3} + \left[\frac{u}{3}\right]^2 + \dots\right] - \frac{11}{3u} \\
&= \frac{-5}{2(z+1)} \left[1 + \frac{1}{(z+1)} + \left[\frac{1}{(z+1)}\right]^2 + \dots\right] - \frac{17}{18} \left[1 + \frac{(z+1)}{3} + \left[\frac{(z+1)}{3}\right]^2 + \dots\right] - \frac{11}{3(z+1)} \\
&= \frac{-5}{2(z+1)} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \left[\frac{1}{(z+1)}\right]^n - \frac{17}{18} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \left[\frac{(z+1)}{3}\right]^n - \frac{11}{3(z+1)}
\end{aligned}$$

Example: 4.26 Find the Laurent's series which represents the function $\frac{z}{(z+1)(z+2)}$ in (i) $|z| < 1$

(ii) $1 < |z| < 2$ (iii) $|z| > 2$

Solution:

$$\begin{aligned}
\text{Consider } \frac{z}{(z+1)(z+2)} &= \frac{A}{z+1} + \frac{B}{z+2} \\
\Rightarrow z &= A(z+2)(z+1)
\end{aligned}$$

Put $z = -2$ we get $-2 = B(-1)$

$$\Rightarrow B = 2$$

Put $z = -1$ we get $-1 = A(1)$

$$\Rightarrow A = -1$$

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

(i) Given region $|z| < 1$

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

(ii) Given region $1 < |z| < 2$

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

(iii) Given region $|z| > 2$

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

(iv) Given region $|z+1| < 1$

$$\text{Put } z+1 = u \Rightarrow z = u-1$$

$$\therefore |z+1| < 1 \Rightarrow |u| < 1$$

$$\begin{aligned} f(z) &= \frac{-1}{u} + \frac{2}{u+1} \\ &= \frac{-1}{u} + 2(1+u)^{-1} \\ &= \frac{-1}{u} + 2[1 - u + u^2 - \dots] \\ &= \frac{-1}{z+1} + 2[1 - (z+1) + ((z+1)^2) - \dots] \\ &= \frac{-1}{z+1} + 2 \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (-1)^n (z+1)^n \end{aligned}$$

EXERCISE: 4.2

(1) Expand $f(z) = e^z$ in a Taylor's series about $z = 0$. **Ans:** $f(z) = 1 + \frac{z}{1!} + \frac{z^2}{2!} + \dots$

(2) Expand $f(z) = \sin z$ in a Taylor's series about $z = \frac{\pi}{4}$. **Ans:** $f(z) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \left[1 + \frac{\left[z - \frac{\pi}{4}\right]}{1!} - \frac{\left[\left[z - \frac{\pi}{4}\right]\right]^2}{2!} + \dots \right]$

(3) Find the Laurent's series expansion of $f(z) = \frac{z-1}{(z+2)(z+3)}$ valid in the region $2 < |z| < 3$

$$\text{Ans: } f(z) = \frac{-3}{2} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (-1)^n \left[\frac{2}{z}\right]^n + \frac{4}{3} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (-1)^n \left[\frac{z}{3}\right]^n$$

(4) Expand the Laurent's series the function $f(z) = \frac{3z-7}{(z-1)(z-2)}$ in the region $1 < |z-1| < 2$

$$\text{Ans: } f(z) = \frac{-2}{z-1} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \left(\frac{1}{z-1}\right)^n - 2 \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \left[\frac{z-1}{2}\right]^n$$

(5) Find the Laurent's series the function $f(z) = \frac{1}{z(1-z)}$ valid in the region (i) $|z+1| < 1$

(ii) $1 < |z+1| < 2$ (iii) $|z+1| > 2$

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

$$\text{(iii) } \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{1-2^n}{(z+1)^{n+1}}$$

(6) Find the Laurent's series expansion $f(z) = \frac{1}{z^2+4z+3}$ valid in the region (i) $|z| < 1$ and

$$\text{(ii) } 0 < |z+1| < 2 \quad \text{Ans: (i) } f(z) = \frac{1}{2(z+1)} - \frac{1}{4} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (-1)^n \left(\frac{z+1}{2}\right)^n$$

$$\text{(ii) } f(z) = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (-1)^n [z]^n - \frac{1}{6} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (-1)^n \left[\frac{z}{3}\right]^n$$

(7) Expand $f(z) = \frac{z+3}{(z)(z^2-z-2)}$ the Laurent's series for the region

(i) $|z| < 1$ (ii) $1 < |z| < 2$ (iii) $|z| > 2$

$$\text{Ans: (i) } f(z) = \frac{-3}{2z} + \frac{2}{3} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (-1)^n (z)^n - \frac{5}{12} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (-1)^n \left(\frac{z}{2}\right)^n$$

$$\text{(ii) } f(z) = \frac{-3}{2z} + \frac{2}{3z} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (-1)^n \left(\frac{1}{z}\right)^n - \frac{5}{12} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \left(\frac{z}{2}\right)^n$$

$$\text{(iii) } f(z) = \frac{-3}{2z} + \frac{2}{3z} \left[\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (-1)^n \left(\frac{1}{z}\right)^n \right] - \frac{5}{6z} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \left(\frac{2}{z}\right)^n$$

(8) Expand $\frac{z^2+6z-1}{(z-1)(z-3)(z+2)}$ in $3 < |z+2| < 5$ as a Laurent's Series.

$$\text{Ans: } f(z) = \frac{-1}{z+1} + \frac{8}{5} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \left(\frac{3}{z+2}\right)^n - \frac{13}{25} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \left(\frac{z+2}{5}\right)^n$$

(9) Obtain the Laurent's Series expansion of the function $\frac{e^z}{(z-1)^2}$ in the neighbourhood of its singular point.

Hence find the residue at that pole. **Ans:** The residue is 'e'.

(10) Find the residues of $f(z) = \frac{z^2}{(z-1)^2(z-2)}$ at its isolated singularities using Laurent's Series expansions.

Ans: Residue at $z = -1$ is -3 , Residue at $z = 2$ is 4