

### Automorphisms of $\Delta$

1. Let  $\Delta$  be the unit disc.
  - (a) Show that every automorphism of  $\Delta$  extends injectively to a neighbourhood of its closure  $\overline{\Delta}$  and admits at least a fixed point in  $\overline{\Delta}$ .
  - (b) Show that if  $f$  has a fixed point in  $\Delta$ , then it is necessarily unique.

*Sol.:* Let  $f(z) = e^{i\theta} \frac{z-z_0}{1-\bar{z}_0 z}$  be an automorphism of the disc, where  $\theta \in \mathbb{R}$  and  $z_0 \in \Delta$ . Since the rotation  $z \mapsto e^{i\theta} z$  is defined and injective on all  $\mathbb{C}$ , it is sufficient to consider  $g(z) = \frac{z-z_0}{1-\bar{z}_0 z}$ . The map  $g$  is well defined provided that  $1 - z\bar{z}_0 \neq 0$ , in particular for all  $z$  with  $|z| < 1/|z_0|$ . Note that  $1/|z_0| > 1$ , meaning that  $g$  is well defined on an open neighbourhood of  $\overline{\Delta}$ . To prove injectivity, we solve

$$w = \frac{z - z_0}{1 - \bar{z}_0 z} \Leftrightarrow z = \frac{w + z_0}{1 + w\bar{z}_0}.$$

To see that there exists at least a fixed point in  $\overline{\Delta}$ , we consider the equation

$$e^{i\theta} \frac{z - z_0}{1 - \bar{z}_0 z} = z \Leftrightarrow z^2 + z \frac{e^{i\theta} - 1}{\bar{z}_0} - e^{i\theta} \frac{z_0}{\bar{z}_0} = 0.$$

The equation shows that there are at most 2 fixed points. Since the modulus of their product is  $|e^{i\theta} \frac{z_0}{\bar{z}_0}| = 1$ , then either both fixed points are on  $\partial\Delta$  or one is inside and the other is outside  $\Delta$ .

2. Define  $D(0, r) = \{z \in \mathbb{C} : |z| < r\}$ . Let  $f : D(0, 1) \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$  be a holomorphic function such that  $|f(z)| = 1$  for all  $z \in \partial D(0, 1)$ . Show that if  $f$  is nonconstant, then there exists an automorphism  $g$  of  $D(0, 1)$  such that  $f \circ g(0) = 0$ .

*Sol.:* By the maximum modulus principle,  $|f(z)| < 1$ , for all  $z \in D(0, 1)$ . In other words,  $f$  maps the unit disc into itself. Since  $|f|$  is constant on the boundary of the disc, then there exists  $z_0 \in D(0, 1)$  such that  $f(z_0) = 0$  (cf. Exercise 9). Since the automorphism group of the disc acts transitively on it, then there exists an automorphism  $g$  such that  $g(0) = z_0$ . It follows that  $f(g(0)) = f(z_0) = 0$ .

3. Let  $f : \Delta \rightarrow \Delta$  be a holomorphic function with a zero of order  $m$  at 0. Show that for all  $z \in \Delta$  one has  $|f(z)| \leq |z|^m$ .

*Sol.:* This exercise is a variation of the Schwarz Lemma. The power expansion of  $f$  around 0 is  $f(z) = a_m z^m + a_{m+1} z^{m+1} + \dots$ . Consider the holomorphic function

$$g(z) := \begin{cases} \frac{f(z)}{z^m} = a_m + a_{m+1}z + \dots, & z \neq 0 \\ f^{(m)}(0), & z = 0. \end{cases}$$

For  $0 < r < 1$ , one has

$$|g(z)| \leq 1/r, \quad \forall z : |z| = r,$$

and by the maximum principle the above inequality holds for all  $z$  with  $|z| \leq r$ . By letting  $r \rightarrow 1$ , we obtain  $|g(z)| \leq 1$ , for all  $z \in \Delta$ . Equivalently

$$|f(z)| \leq |z|^m,$$

as claimed.

4. Verify that the Cayley transform

$$C(z) := i \frac{1+z}{1-z}$$

is a biholomorphism between the unit disc  $\Delta$  and the upper half plane  $\mathbb{H}^+$ .

*Sol.:* The map  $C$  is holomorphic on  $\Delta$ . Since

$$\operatorname{Im} \left( i \frac{1+z}{1-z} \right) = \frac{1-|z|^2}{|1-z|^2} > 0, \quad \forall z \in \Delta,$$

the map  $C$  takes the disc onto the upperhalfplane. Finally  $C$  is injective, as it has inverse

$$C^{-1}: \mathbb{H} \rightarrow \Delta, \quad w \mapsto \frac{w-i}{w+i}.$$

5. Show that the strip  $S_r := \{z \in \mathbb{C} : 0 < \operatorname{Im} z < r\}$ , with  $r > 0$ , is biholomorphic to  $\mathbb{H}$  (and therefore to  $\Delta$ ). Determine an explicit biholomorphism  $f: S_1 \rightarrow \Delta$ .

*Sol.:* The exponential map  $e^z$  determines a biholomorphism between the strip  $S_\pi$  and the upperhalfplane  $\mathbb{H}$ . It is holomorphic and injective

$$e^z = e^w, \quad z, w \in S_\pi \quad \Leftrightarrow \quad e^{z-w} = 1 \quad \Leftrightarrow \quad z - w \in \mathbb{Z}2\pi i \quad \Leftrightarrow \quad z = w.$$

It is surjective: horizontal lines in the strip  $S_\pi$  are mapped into halflines from the origin in  $\mathbb{H}$ .

Any strip  $S_r$ , with  $r > 0$ , is biholomorphic to  $S_\pi$  via the map  $z \mapsto \frac{\pi}{r}z$ .

An explicit biholomorphism  $f: S_1 \rightarrow \Delta$  is given by

$$z \mapsto C^{-1}(\exp(\pi z)),$$

where  $C^{-1}: \mathbb{H} \rightarrow \Delta$  is the inverse Cayley transform of Exercise 13.

*Note:* The strip  $S_r$  is a proper convex subset of  $\mathbb{C}$ . In particular it is simply connected. We'll see later in the course that any such set is biholomorphic to the unit disc.

6. Determine whether there exists a nonconstant holomorphic function  $f: \mathbb{C} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$  whose image  $f(\mathbb{C})$  has empty intersection with the border  $\partial\Delta$  of the unit disc  $\Delta$ .

*Sol.:* If  $f(\mathbb{C})$  has empty intersection with the border  $\partial\Delta$  of the unit disc  $\Delta$ , then either  $f(\mathbb{C}) \subset \Delta$  or  $f(\mathbb{C}) \subset \mathbb{C} \setminus \Delta$ . In the first case  $f$  is bounded, and therefore constant. In the second case  $f(\mathbb{C})$  is contained in a domain  $D$  biholomorphic to the unit disc, i.e. there exists a biholomorphism  $g: D \rightarrow \Delta$  such that  $g \circ f: \mathbb{C} \rightarrow \Delta$  is a bounded holomorphic function. By Liouville's theorem,  $g \circ f$  is constant and therefore also  $f$  is constant.

7. Determine whether there exists a nonconstant holomorphic function  $f: \mathbb{C} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$  whose image  $f(\mathbb{C})$  has empty intersection with the real line  $\mathbb{R}$ .

*Sol.:* If  $f(\mathbb{C})$  has empty intersection with the real line  $\mathbb{R}$ , then it is either contained in the upperhalf plane or in the lower half plane in  $\mathbb{C}$ . In both halfplanes are biholomorphic to the unit disc. Then

the same argument as in the previous exercise shows that there are no nonconstant holomorphic functions  $f: \mathbb{C} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$  whose image  $f(\mathbb{C})$  has empty intersection with the real line  $\mathbb{R}$ .

**Laurent series and isolated singularities, Riemann extension theorem, Casorati-Weierstrass theorem, automorphisms of the plane, residue theorem**

8. Let  $f, g: \mathbb{C} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$  be holomorphic functions with  $g(z) \neq 0$ , for every  $z \in \mathbb{C}$ . Assume that  $|f(z)| \leq |g(z)|$ , for every  $z \in \mathbb{C}$ . Show that there exists a constant  $c \in \mathbb{C}$  such that  $f(z) = cg(z)$  (cf. Exercise 17 in sheet 0). Show that the assumption “ $g(z) \neq 0$ , for every  $z \in \mathbb{C}$ ” can be replaced with “ $g$  not identically zero”.

*Sol.:* Under the assumption that  $g$  never vanishes,  $f/g$  is a bounded holomorphic function. Hence it is constant by Liouville’s theorem, i.e.  $f/g = c$ .

Without such assumption, zeros of  $g$  are isolated singularities of  $f/g$ . However  $f/g$  is bounded near such singularities. By the Riemann extension theorem, they are removable singularities and the statement follows from Liouville’s theorem.

9. (a) Let  $f$  be a bounded holomorphic function defined on  $\mathbb{C} \setminus \{0, i, 1+i\}$  or on  $\mathbb{C} \setminus \mathbb{Z}$ . Show that  $f$  is constant.  
(b) Is it true that  $f$  is constant when it is bounded on  $\mathbb{C} \setminus (\{1/n : n \in \mathbb{N}\} \cup \{0\})$ ?

*Sol.:* (a) The boundedness assumption implies that all singularities of  $f$  are removable. In other words,  $f$  is holomorphic and bounded on all  $\mathbb{C}$ . Therefore it is constant.

(b) By the boundedness assumption, all isolated singularities  $\{1/n\}_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$  are removable. Hence  $f$  is holomorphic and bounded at least on  $\mathbb{C} \setminus \{0\}$ . On the other hand, if 0 were singular, then  $f$  could not be bounded in any neighbourhood of 0. Conclusion:  $f$  is holomorphic and bounded on all  $\mathbb{C}$ , and therefore constant.

10. Show that the functions

$$\frac{\sin z}{z}, \quad \frac{e^z - 1}{z}, \quad \frac{\cosh z - 1}{z}$$

are entire, i.e. they extend holomorphically to  $\mathbb{C}$ .

*Sol.:* The above functions are holomorphic on all  $\mathbb{C}$ , except possibly for  $z = 0$ . By expanding the numerators around  $z = 0$  we find

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\sin z}{z} &= \frac{z - z^3/3! + z^5/5! - \dots}{z} = 1 - z^2/3! + z^4/5! - \dots \\ \frac{e^z - 1}{z} &= \frac{1 + z + z^2/2! + z^3/3! + \dots - 1}{z} = 1 + z/2! + z^2/3! + \dots \\ \frac{\cosh z - 1}{z} &= \frac{1 + \frac{1}{2}z^2 + \frac{1}{24}z^4 + \dots - 1}{z} = \frac{1}{2}z + \frac{1}{24}z^3 + \dots, \end{aligned}$$

which show that  $z = 0$  is indeed a removable singularity, i.e. the three functions are entire.

11. Let  $f: \mathbb{C} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$  be an entire function.  
(a) Show that if  $f$  has a zero of order  $n$  in  $z_0$ , then  $1/f$  has a pole of order  $n$  in  $z_0$ .  
(b) Let  $z_0$  be a singularity (removable, polar, essential) of  $f$ . Determine the corresponding type of singularity of  $1/f$ .

*Sol.:* (a) Write  $f(z) = (z - z_0)^n u(z)$ , where  $u(z) = a_n + a_{n+1}(z - z_0) + \dots$  is a holomorphic function with  $u(z_0) \neq 0$ . Then

$$1/f(z) = \frac{1}{(z - z_0)^n} \frac{1}{u(z)}.$$

Since  $1/u(z)$  is holomorphic around  $z_0$ , then  $z_0$  is a pole of  $1/f$  of order  $n$ .

(b) Let  $z_0$  be a removable singularity for  $f$  and let  $f(z) = a_0 + a_1(z - z_0) + a_2(z - z_0)^2 + \dots$  be the Taylor expansion of  $f$  around  $z_0$ . If  $f(z_0) \neq 0$ , then  $1/f$  is holomorphic around  $z_0$ ; if  $z_0$  is a zero of  $f$  of order  $n$ , then  $z_0$  is a pole of order  $n$  of  $1/f$ .

Let  $z_0$  be a pole of  $f$  of order  $m$  and let

$$f(z) = \frac{a_{-m}}{(z - z_0)^m} + \frac{a_{-m+1}}{(z - z_0)^{m-1}} + \dots = \frac{1}{(z - z_0)^m} (a_{-m} + a_{-m+1}(z - z_0) + \dots)$$

be the Laurent expansion of  $f$  around  $z_0$ , where  $g(z) = a_{-m} + a_{-m+1}(z - z_0) + \dots$  is a holomorphic function with  $g(z_0) \neq 0$ . Now it is clear that  $z_0$  is a zero of  $1/f = \frac{(z - z_0)^m}{g(z)}$  of order  $n$ .

(c) Let  $z_0$  be an essential singularity for  $f$ . Then the image of any disc  $D(z_0, r) \setminus \{z_0\}$  is dense in  $\mathbb{C}$  and the same is true for  $\frac{1}{f}$ . Hence  $z_0$  is an essential singularity for  $1/f$  as well.

12. Let  $z_0$  be a pole of  $f$ . Recall that for every  $M \gg 0$  there exists  $\varepsilon > 0$  such that  $f(D^*(z_0, \varepsilon)) \subset \{|z| > M\}$ .

Show that, given  $\varepsilon > 0$ , there exists  $M \gg 0$  such that  $\{|z| > M\} \subset f(D^*(z_0, \varepsilon))$ .

(Justify your answer and mention all the results you used.)

*Sol.:* If  $z_0$  is a pole, then  $\lim_{z \rightarrow z_0} |f(z)| = +\infty$ . Equivalently, for every  $M \gg 0$  there exists  $\varepsilon > 0$  such that  $f(D^*(z_0, \varepsilon)) \subset \{|z| > M\}$ .

View the map  $f$  valued in  $\mathbb{P}^1(\mathbb{C})$ , with  $f(z_0) = \infty$ . One easily checks that  $f$  is a non constant holomorphic map to  $\mathbb{P}^1(\mathbb{C})$ , viewed as a Riemann surface. In particular  $f$  is open and its image contains a neighbourhood of  $\infty$ . Therefore, given  $\varepsilon > 0$ , there exists  $M \gg 0$  such that  $\{|z| > M\} \subset f(D^*(z_0, \varepsilon))$ .

13. Determine and classify all the singularities of the following functions:

$$\tan z, \quad \frac{1}{z^3} \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} 2^n z^n, \quad ze^{1/z} e^{-1/z^2}, \quad \frac{\sin \frac{1}{z}}{z^4}, \quad \frac{\sin z}{z^4}, \quad \frac{1}{z^3} - \cos z.$$

*Sol.:* (a) The function  $f(z) = \tan z = \sin z / \cos z$  is defined and holomorphic on  $\mathbb{C} \setminus \{\pi/2 + k\pi, k \in \mathbb{Z}\}$ , where  $\cos z \neq 0$ , and it is periodic of period  $\pi$ . So it is sufficient to determine the type singularity at  $\pi/2$ . For this note that  $\sin z$  is non-zero close to  $\pi/2$  while  $\cos z$  has a zero of order one in  $\pi/2$ . It follows that all points  $\{\pi/2 + k\pi, k \in \mathbb{Z}\}$  are simple poles for  $\tan z$  (cf. ex. 4).

(b) The function

$$\frac{1}{z^3} \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} 2^n z^n = \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} 2^n z^{n-3} = 2^2 \frac{1}{z} + 2^3 + 2^4 z + \dots$$

has a pole of order 1 at  $z = 0$ .

(c) The function

$$ze^{1/z} e^{-1/z^2} = ze^{1/z - 1/z^2} = z(1 + (\frac{1}{z} - \frac{1}{z^2}) + \frac{1}{2}(\frac{1}{z} - \frac{1}{z^2})^2 + \dots)$$

has an essential singularity at  $z = 0$ .

(d) The function

$$\frac{\sin(1/z)}{z^4} = \frac{1}{z^4} \left( \frac{1}{z} - \frac{1}{3!} \frac{1}{z^3} + \dots \right)$$

has an essential singularity at  $z = 0$ .

(e) The function

$$\frac{\sin z}{z^4} = \frac{1}{z^4} \left( z - \frac{1}{3!} z^3 + \dots \right)$$

has a pole of order 3 at  $z = 0$ . Alternatively, one can observe that

$$\lim_{z \rightarrow 0} z^3 \frac{\sin z}{z^4} = \lim_{z \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sin z}{z} = 1.$$

(f) Since  $\cos z$  is holomorphic on  $\mathbb{C}$ , the function

$$\frac{1}{z^3} - \cos z$$

has a pole of order 3 at  $z = 0$ .

14. Let  $g(z) := e^{1/z} - e^{2/z}$ . Determine  $g(\mathbb{C} \setminus \{0\})$ .

*Sol.:* The Laurent series expansion of  $g$  around  $z = 0$  is given by

$$\begin{aligned} g(z) &= 1 + \frac{1}{z} + \frac{1}{2!} \frac{1}{z^2} + \frac{1}{3!} \frac{1}{z^3} + \dots - \left( 1 + \frac{2}{z} + \frac{1}{2!} \frac{2^2}{z^2} + \frac{1}{3!} \frac{2^3}{z^3} + \dots \right) \\ &= -\frac{1}{z} - \frac{1}{2!} \frac{2^2 - 1}{z^2} - \frac{1}{3!} \frac{2^3 - 1}{z^3} + \dots \end{aligned}$$

One sees that  $z = 0$  is an essential singularity for  $g$ . Hence  $g(\mathbb{C} \setminus \{0\})$  is dense in  $\mathbb{C}$ , by Casorati-Weierstrass theorem. Also, the equation  $w = e^{1/z}(1 - e^{1/z})$  can be solved for every  $w \in \mathbb{C}$ . In order to see this, set  $\eta := e^{1/z}$ . Then such equation reads as  $\eta^2 - \eta + w = 0$ . For  $w \neq 0$  fixed, one obtains two different roots in the punctured complex plane  $\mathbb{C}^*$ , which is the image of the map  $z \rightarrow e^{\frac{1}{z}}$ . For  $w = 0$ , one root is  $\eta = 1$  and, indeed, for  $\frac{1}{z} = 2\pi i k$ , with  $k \neq 0$ , one obtains  $e^{1/z} - e^{2/z} = 0$ . Therefore  $g(\mathbb{C} \setminus \{0\}) = \mathbb{C}$ .

15. Let  $f(z) = \frac{z^2}{z^2+1}$ . Determine the Laurent serie of  $f$  around  $z_0 = i$ .

*Sol.:* The function  $f(z) = \frac{z^2}{(z+i)(z-i)}$  is holomorphic on  $\mathbb{C}$ , except for  $\pm i$  where it has simple poles. The Laurent serie of  $f$  around  $z_0 = i$  is given by

$$f(z) = \frac{1}{(z-i)} \sum_{n \geq 0} a_n (z-i)^n,$$

where  $\sum_{n \geq 0} a_n (z-i)^n$  is the Taylor series expansion of  $g(z) = \frac{z^2}{(z+i)}$ , which is holomorphic around  $z_0 = i$ . The coefficients of such series are

$$a_0 = g(i) = i/2, \quad a_1 = g'(i) = 3/4, \dots, \quad a_n = \frac{1}{n!} g^{(n)}(i).$$

16. Let  $f$  be a holomorphic function on  $D^*(0, r)$ , for  $0 < r \leq +\infty$ . Assume that  $z_0 = 0$  is a pole of  $f$  of order  $m$ . Then the Laurent series of  $f$  around  $z_0$  is given by

$$f(z) = \sum_{n \geq -m} a_n z^n, \quad a_n = \frac{1}{(n+m)!} g^{(n+m)}(0), \quad \text{where } g(z) = z^m f(z).$$

*Sol.:* The Laurent series expansion of  $f$  around  $z = 0$  is given by

$$f(z) = \frac{a_{-m}}{z^m} + \frac{a_{-(m-1)}}{z^{m-1}} + \dots = \frac{1}{z^m} (a_{-m} + a_{-(m-1)}z + \dots),$$

and  $g(z) = z^m f(z) = b_0 + b_1 z + \dots$  is a holomorphic function with  $g(z) \neq 0$ . The coefficients of the series expansion of  $g$  are

$$b_k = a_{-m+k} = \frac{1}{k!} g^{(k)}(0).$$

If  $n = -m + k$ , then

$$a_n = \frac{1}{(n+m)!} g^{(n+m)}(0).$$

17. Let  $f(z) = \frac{e^z}{(z-i)^3(z+2)^2}$ .

- (i) Show that  $z_1 = i$  is a pole of  $f$  of order 3.
- (ii) Determine all the coefficients of the principal part of the Laurent series of  $f$  around  $z_1$ .
- (iii) Show that  $z_2 = -2$  is a pole of  $f$  of order 2.
- (iv) Determine all the coefficients of the principal part of the Laurent series of  $f$  around  $z_2$ .

*Sol.:* (i) The limit  $\lim_{z \rightarrow i} (z-i)^3 \cdot f(z) = \frac{e^i}{(i+2)^2}$  is finite. Hence  $z_1 = i$  is a pole of  $f$  of order 3.

(ii) The Laurent series expansion of  $f$  around  $z_1 = i$  is given by

$$\frac{1}{(z-i)^3} \sum_{n \geq 0} a_n (z-i)^n,$$

where  $\sum_{n \geq 0} a_n (z-i)^n$  is the Taylor series expansion of the holomorphic function  $g(z) = \frac{e^z}{(z+2)^2}$  around  $z_1$ . The principal part of the Laurent series of  $f$  around  $z_1$  is

$$a_{-3} \frac{1}{(z-i)^3} + a_{-2} \frac{1}{(z-i)^2} + a_{-1} \frac{1}{(z-i)}.$$

The coefficients can be computed as in Exercise 9

$$a_{-3} = g(i) = \frac{e^i}{(i+2)^2}, \quad a_{-2} = g'(i) = \frac{e^i(1+i)}{(i+2)^2} \quad a_{-1} = \frac{1}{2!} g''(i) = \dots$$

(iii) The limit  $\lim_{z \rightarrow -2} (z+2)^2 \cdot f(z) = \frac{e^{-2}}{(-2-i)^3}$  is finite. Hence  $z_2 = -2$  is a pole of  $f$  of order 2.

(iv) The Laurent series expansion of  $f$  around  $z_2 = -2$  is given by

$$\frac{1}{(z+2)^2} \sum_{n \geq 0} a_n (z+2)^n,$$

where  $\sum_{n \geq 0} a_n (z+2)^n$  is the Taylor series expansion of the holomorphic function  $g(z) = \frac{e^z}{(z+2)^3}$  around  $z_2$ . The principal part of the Laurent series of  $f$  around  $z_2$  is

$$a_{-2} \frac{1}{(z+2)^2} + a_{-1} \frac{1}{(z+2)}.$$

The coefficients can be computed as in Exercise 9

$$a_{-2} = g(-2), \quad a_{-1} = g'(-2).$$

18. Let  $\gamma_2(\theta) = e^{i\theta}$ , where  $\theta \in [0, 2\pi]$ , and  $\gamma_1(\theta) = 3e^{i\theta}$ , where  $\theta \in [0, 2\pi]$ . Compute

$$\begin{aligned} (a) \quad & \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{\gamma_1} \frac{z^2 + 5z}{(z-2)} dz - \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{\gamma_2} \frac{z^2 + 5z}{(z-2)} dz; \\ (b) \quad & \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{\gamma_1} \frac{z^2 - 2}{z} dz - \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{\gamma_2} \frac{z^2 - 2}{z} dz; \\ (c) \quad & \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{\gamma_1} \frac{z^3 - 3z - 6}{z(z+2)(z+4)} dz - \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{\gamma_2} \frac{z^3 - 3z - 6}{z(z+2)(z+4)} dz. \end{aligned}$$

*Sol.:* The curves  $\gamma_1$  and  $\gamma_2$  are circles centered in the origin, oriented counterclockwise, of radius 3 and radius 1, respectively. (a) The function  $f(z) = \frac{z^2+5z}{(z-2)}$  is holomorphic on  $\mathbb{C} \setminus \{2\}$  and has a pole of order 1 in  $z = 2$  with residue  $\text{Res}_f(2) = \lim_{z \rightarrow 2} (z-2)f(z) = 14$ . The pole is inside  $\gamma_1$  and outside  $\gamma_2$ .

Hence the integral in (a) is equal to  $2\pi i \text{Res}_f(2) = 28\pi i$ .

(b) The function  $f(z) = \frac{z^2-2}{z}$  is holomorphic on  $\mathbb{C} \setminus \{0\}$  and has a pole of order 1 in  $z = 0$  with residue  $\text{Res}_f(0) = \lim_{z \rightarrow 0} (z)f(z) = -2$ . The pole is inside  $\gamma_1$  and inside  $\gamma_2$ .

Hence the integral in (b) is equal to 0.

(c) The function  $f(z) = \frac{z^3-3z-6}{z(z+2)(z+4)}$  has simple poles in  $z = 0$ , inside both circles,  $z = -2$  inside  $\gamma_1$  and outside  $\gamma_2$ , and  $z = -4$ , outside both circles.

Hence the integral in (c) is given by  $2\pi i (\text{Res}_f(0) + \text{Res}_f(-2) - \text{Res}_f(-4)) = 2\pi i \text{Res}_f(-2) = 4\pi i$ .

19. Compute the residues of the following functions at the singular points:

$$e^{3/z^2}, \quad \frac{z^3}{z-1}, \quad \frac{z^3}{(z-1)^2}, \quad \frac{z^3}{1-z^4}, \quad \frac{z^5}{(z^2-1)^2}, \quad \frac{\cos z}{1+z+z^2}, \quad \frac{1}{\sin z}.$$

*Sol.:*

$$f(z) = e^{3/z^2} = 1 + \frac{3}{z^2} + \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{3}{z^2}\right)^2 + \dots, \quad \text{Res}_f(0) = 0$$

$$f(z) = \frac{z^3}{z-1}, \quad \text{Res}_f(1) = \lim_{z \rightarrow 1} (z-1)f(z) = 1;$$

$$f(z) = \frac{z^3}{(z-1)^2} = \frac{1}{(z-1)^2} + \frac{2}{(z-1)} + \dots, \quad \text{Res}_f(1) = 2;$$

$$f(z) = \frac{z^3}{1-z^4} = \frac{z^3}{(z-1)(z+1)(z-i)(z+i)} \quad \text{Res}_f(1) = \lim_{z \rightarrow 1} (z-1)f(z) = \frac{1}{4}, \quad \text{etc} \dots$$

$$f(z) = \frac{z^5}{(z^2-1)^2} = \frac{z^5}{(z+1)^2(z-1)^2} = \frac{1}{(z+1)^2} \left( -\frac{1}{4} + (z+1) + \dots \right) \quad \text{Res}_f(-1) = 1;$$

$$f(z) = \frac{z^5}{(z^2-1)^2} = \frac{1}{(z-1)^2} \left( \frac{1}{4} + (z-1) + \dots \right) \quad \text{Res}_f(1) = 1;$$

The points  $\alpha = -1/2 + i\sqrt{3}/2$  and  $\beta = -1/2 - i\sqrt{3}/2$  are simple poles for  $f$

$$f(z) = \frac{\cos z}{1+z+z^2} = \frac{\cos z}{(z-\alpha)(z-\beta)}.$$

Then

$$\text{Res}_f(\alpha) = \lim_{z \rightarrow \alpha} (z-\alpha)f(z) = \frac{\cos \alpha}{\alpha - \beta}, \quad \text{Res}_f(\beta) = \lim_{z \rightarrow \beta} (z-\beta)f(z) = \frac{\cos \beta}{\beta - \alpha}.$$

$$f(z) = \frac{1}{\sin z} \quad \text{Res}_f(0) = \text{Res}_f(k\pi) = 1, \quad \forall k \in \mathbb{Z}.$$

20. Show that the function defined by  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n!z^n}$  is holomorphic on  $\mathbb{C} \setminus \{0\}$ . Compute its integral on  $\gamma(\theta) = e^{i\theta}$ , for  $\theta \in [0, 2\pi]$ .

*Sol.:* The function defined by  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n!z^n}$  is just  $e^{1/z}$ , which is holomorphic on  $\mathbb{C} \setminus \{0\}$ . It has an essential singularity at  $z = 0$  with residue 1. Hence the integral on  $f$  on  $\gamma$  is equal to  $2\pi i$ .

21. Compute

$$\int_{\gamma} \frac{e^z}{z^3} dz, \quad \int_{\gamma} \frac{e^{1/z}}{z^3} dz,$$

when  $\gamma(\theta) = e^{i\theta}$ , for  $\theta \in [0, 6\pi]$  and when  $\gamma(\theta) = e^{i\theta}$ , for  $\theta \in [0, 2\pi]$ .

*Sol.:* The curve  $\gamma(\theta) = e^{i\theta}$ , for  $\theta \in [0, 2\pi]$ , is the unit circle, oriented counterclockwise, covered 1 time. Then

$$f(z) = \frac{e^z}{z^3} = \frac{1}{z^3} + \frac{1}{z^2} + \frac{1}{2z} + \dots, \quad \int_{\gamma} f(z) dz = 2\pi i \text{Res}_f(0) = 2\pi i \frac{1}{2} = \pi i,$$

$$f(z) = \frac{e^{1/z}}{z^3} = \frac{1}{z^3} + \frac{1}{z^4} + \dots, \quad \int_{\gamma} f(z) dz = 2\pi i \text{Res}_f(0) = 0.$$

The curve  $\gamma(\theta) = e^{i\theta}$ , for  $\theta \in [0, 6\pi]$ , is the unit circle, oriented counterclockwise, covered 3 times. Then

$$f(z) = \frac{e^z}{z^3}, \quad \int_{\gamma} f(z) dz = 3 \cdot 2\pi i \text{Res}_f(0) = 3\pi i,$$

$$f(z) = \frac{e^{1/z}}{z^3}, \quad \int_{\gamma} f(z) dz = 3 \cdot 2\pi i \text{Res}_f(0) = 0.$$

22. Use the "sector method" to compute

$$\int_0^{+\infty} \frac{1}{1+x^4} dx.$$

*Sol.:* See Sarason, Example 3, p.126.