Analytic combinatorics Lecture 9

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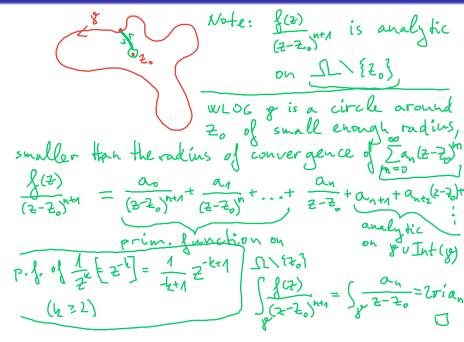
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Consequence: The value $f(z_0)$ (which is equal to a_0) can be determined as $\frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{\gamma} \frac{f(z)}{z-z_0}$, and in particular, the value of f in z_0 is uniquely determined by its values on γ .

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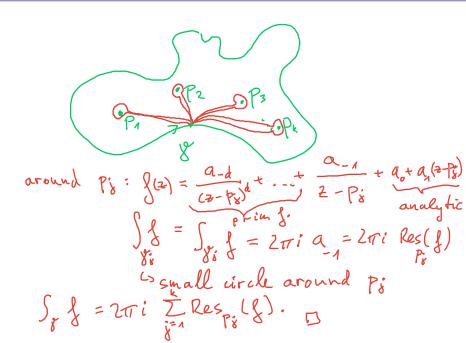
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Note: Cauchy's formula is a special case of the Residue theorem, since $\operatorname{Res}_{z_0}\left(\frac{f(z)}{(z-z_0)^{n+1}}\right) = a_n.$ $\int \underbrace{f(z)}_{\mathcal{Y}} \underbrace{f(z)}_{\mathcal{Y}} = 2 \overline{f} \overline{f} \cdot \alpha_n$

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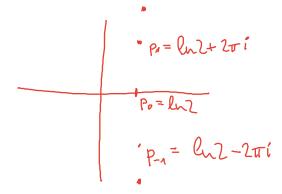
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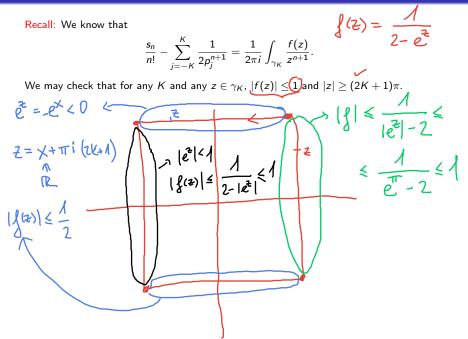
Residue theorem gives

$$\begin{split} \int_{\gamma} \frac{f(z)}{z^{n+1}} &= 2\pi i \sum_{p \in (P \cap \mathsf{Int}(\gamma)) \cup \{0\}} \mathsf{Res}_p\left(\frac{f(z)}{z^{n+1}}\right) \\ &= 2\pi i \left(\frac{s_n}{n!} + \sum_{p \in P \cap \mathsf{Int}(\gamma)} -\frac{1}{2p^{n+1}}\right) \\ &= 2\pi i \left(\frac{s_n}{n!} - \sum_{p \in P \cap \mathsf{Int}(\gamma)} \frac{1}{2p^{n+1}}\right). \end{split}$$

Goal: Show (for a suitably chosen γ) that $\int_{\gamma} \frac{f(z)}{z^{n+1}}$ is small. For $K \in \mathbb{N}$, take γ_K to be the square whose vertices are $\pm (2K + 1)\pi \pm i(2K + 1)\pi$ Note: $\operatorname{Int}(\gamma_K) \cap P = \{p_j; j = -K, -K + 1, \dots, K - 1, K\}$.

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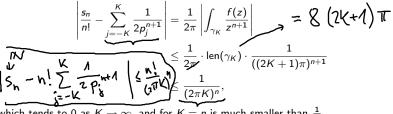
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$$s_n = n! \sum_{j=-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{1}{2p_j^{n+1}}$$
, and
• s_n is the nearest integer to
$$n! \sum_{j=-n}^{n} \frac{1}{2p_j^{n+1}} = N! 2 \left(\frac{1}{2n!}\right)^{n+1} + \dots$$