

Def. $f: G \setminus \{a\} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ has an isolated singularity at a provided $f \in H(G \setminus \{a\})$ & G open & $a \in G$.

Throughout this handout, $f: G \setminus \{a\} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ where G is an open subset of \mathbb{C} and $a \in G$ and

$$f \in H(G \setminus \{a\}) ;$$

i.e., a is an **isolated singularity of f** .

Def. Types of isolated singularities:

- (1) a is a removable singularity of f provided
 - (i) a is an isolated singularity of f
 - (ii) there exists $\tilde{f} \in H(G)$ such that $\tilde{f}|_{G \setminus \{a\}} = f|_{G \setminus \{a\}}$.
- (2) a is a pole of f provided
 - (i) a is an isolated singularity of f
 - (ii) $\lim_{z \rightarrow a} |f(z)| = \infty$.
- (3) a is an essential singularity of f provided
 - (i) a is an isolated singularity of f
 - (ii) a is neither a removable singularity nor a pole of f .

Summary. Let a be an isolated singularity of f .

Let $\{c_n\}_{n \in \mathbb{Z}}$ be f 's Laurent Series Expansion Coefficients (see (LSE)).

1. **TFAE** to a is a removable singularity of f .

- (1a) Def: $\exists \tilde{f} \in H(G)$ such that $\tilde{f}|_{G \setminus \{a\}} = f|_{G \setminus \{a\}}$.
- (1b) $\lim_{z \rightarrow a} f(z)$ exists.
- (1c) f is bounded on $B'_r(a)$ for some $r > 0$.
- (1d) $c_n = 0$ for each $n \leq -1$

2. **TFAE** to a is a pole of f .

- (2a) Def: $\lim_{z \rightarrow a} |f(z)| = \infty$
- (2b) $\exists! m \in \mathbb{N}$ & $g \in H(G)$ with $g(a) \neq 0$ s.t. $\forall z \in G \setminus \{a\}$: $f(z) = \frac{g(z)}{(z-a)^m}$. (so $g(z) = (z-a)^m f(z)$).
- (2c) $\exists! m \in \mathbb{N}$ and $\{c_n\}_{n=-m}^{-1}$ from \mathbb{C} with $c_{-m} \neq 0$ s.t. a is a removable singularity of $f(z) - \sum_{n=-m}^{-1} c_n (z-a)^n$.
 - The above m is the order of the pole and $\sum_{n=-m}^{-1} c_n (z-a)^n$ is the principal part of f .
 - Also, [f has a pole at a of order m] \iff [$c_k = 0$ if $k < -m$ and $c_{-m} \neq 0$].

3. **TFAE** to a is an essential singularity of f .

- (3a) Def: a is neither a removable singularity nor a pole of f .
- (3b) $\forall r > 0$ s.t. $B_r(a) \subset G$, $f(B'_r(a))$ is dense in \mathbb{C} , i.e., $\overline{f(B'_r(a))} = \mathbb{C}$ (Casorati-Weierstrass Thm.)
- (3c) \exists sequences $\{z_n^1\}_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ & $\{z_n^2\}_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ in $G \setminus \{a\}$, each converging to a , s.t. $\{f(z_n^1)\}_n$ & $\{f(z_n^2)\}_n$ each converge but to different points in \mathbb{C} .
- (3d) $c_n \neq 0$ for infinitely many $n < 0$.

Examples. of $f: \mathbb{C} \setminus \{0\} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ with isolated singularity at $z = 0$.

$$(1) f(z) = \frac{z^2}{z} \qquad (2) f(z) = \frac{1}{z} \qquad (3) f(z) = e^{1/z}$$

Thm. 2.8. Laurent Series Expansion. Still have $f \in H(G \setminus \{a\})$.

There exists $R > 0$ and $\{c_n\}_{n \in \mathbb{Z}}$ from \mathbb{C} s.t. for each $z \in B'_R(a)$,

$$f(z) = \underbrace{\sum_{n=-\infty}^{-1} c_n (z-a)^n}_{\text{singular part}} + \underbrace{\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} c_n (z-a)^n}_{\text{analytic part}} \stackrel{\text{in short}}{=} \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} c_n (z-a)^n \quad (\text{LSE})$$

where each series in (LSE) converge absolutely for each (fixed) $z \in B'_R(a)$.

For $k \in \mathbb{N}$, let

$$S_k(z) := \sum_{n=-k}^{-1} c_n (z-a)^n \quad \text{and} \quad A_k(z) := \sum_{n=0}^k c_n (z-a)^n$$

Let $0 < r_1 < r_2 < R$. Futhermore:

- (A1) $A_k \in H(\mathbb{C})$ for each $k \in \mathbb{N}$
- (A2) $\{A_k\}_{k \in \mathbb{N}}$ converges uniformly to the analytic part on $\{z \in \mathbb{C} : |z-a| \leq r_2\}$
- (A3) the analytic part is in $H(B_R(a))$
- (S1) $S_k \in H(\mathbb{C} \setminus \{a\})$ for each $k \in \mathbb{N}$
- (S2) $\{S_k\}_{k \in \mathbb{N}}$ converges uniformly to the singular part on $\{z \in \mathbb{C} : r_1 \leq |z-a|\}$
- (S3) the singular part is in $H(\mathbb{C} \setminus \{a\})$

Thus each series in (LSE) converges uniformly on each closed annulus $\{z \in \mathbb{C} : r_1 \leq |z-a| \leq r_2\}$.

Also, if $0 < r < R$ and $\gamma_r(t) = a + re^{it}$ with $0 \leq t \leq 2\pi$, then

$$c_n = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{\gamma_r} \frac{f(\zeta)}{(\zeta-a)^{n+1}} d\zeta. \quad (\text{LSC})$$

Any pointwise convergent expansion of f on $B'_R(a)$ of this form equals the Laurent expansion.

Lemma for (1)+(2) \equiv (3). Let $\{h_n\}_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ be a sequence from $H(B_\varepsilon(z_0))$ that convergences uniformly to a function h on each $\overline{B_{\varepsilon_0}(z_0)}$ with $0 < \varepsilon_0 < \varepsilon$. Then $h \in H(B_\varepsilon(z_0))$.

Proof. Let γ be a closed contour in $B_\varepsilon(z_0)$. Then

$$0 \stackrel{\substack{\text{Cauchy Thm for } \star \\ \text{Thm 2.12}}}{=} \int_{\gamma} h_n(z) dz \xrightarrow{n \rightarrow \infty, \text{by uniform conv.}} \int_{\gamma} h(z) dz.$$

Note $h \in C(B_\varepsilon(z_0))$ since the uniform limit of continuous functions is continuous. So by Morea's theorem (Thm II.2.25), $h \in H(B_\varepsilon(z_0))$. □

Comment about uniqueness. If, for some $\{c_n\}_{n \in \mathbb{Z}}$, f has an expansion of the form (LSE) that converges pointwise on $B'_R(a)$, then from the proof (A2) and (S2) hold, so we get uniform convergence on γ_r^* . For $n, k \in \mathbb{Z}$, $\int_{\gamma_r} \frac{(z-a)^k}{(z-a)^{n+1}} dz$ is $2\pi i$ if $n = k$ and 0 otherwise. So for any $n \in \mathbb{Z}$

$$\int_{\gamma_r} \frac{f(z)}{(z-a)^{n+1}} dz = \int_{\gamma_r} \frac{\sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} c_k (z-a)^k}{(z-a)^{n+1}} dz \stackrel{\text{by unif. conv.}}{=} \sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} c_k \left[\int_{\gamma_r} \frac{(z-a)^k}{(z-a)^{n+1}} dz \right] = c_n [2\pi i].$$

So (LSC) holds.