

# Complex Analysis MAT656 August 2019.

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## 1 August 2019 Problem 6. - REDACTED

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

### 1.1 a -

$$f(z) = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int \frac{1}{f(z)} f'(z) dz$$

#### 1.1.1 Solution:

By the argument principle, this is the number of zeros of  $f$  minus the number of poles of  $f$  (counted with multiplicity) inside the disk of radius  $r$

### 1.2 b - REDACTED

$r?$

To make the notation clearer, we redefine  $f$  as  $f_n$  then we have that  $f_n(z) = \sum_{k=0}^n z^{-k}/k!$ . Note that  $f_n(z) \rightarrow e^{1/z}$  as  $n \rightarrow \infty$  for each  $z$  (this is just the Taylor series for  $e^{1/z}$ ). By uniform convergence, the limit as  $n \rightarrow \infty$  of the integral of  $\frac{1}{f_n} f'_n$  is the same as the integral of the limit as  $n \rightarrow \infty$  of  $\frac{1}{f_n} f'_n$ . Since  $f_n(z) \rightarrow e^{1/z}$ , we find that  $f'_n(z) \rightarrow -\frac{1}{z^2} e^{\frac{1}{z}}$ , so  $\frac{1}{f_n(z)} f'_n(z) \rightarrow -\frac{1}{z^2}$ . In other words,  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{(2\pi i)} \int_{|z|=r} \frac{1}{f_n(z)} f'_n(z) dz = \frac{1}{(2\pi i)} \int_{|z|=r} -\frac{1}{z^2} dz$ . This integral can be evaluated by parameterizing the curve  $|z|=r$ , and we find it is 0.

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For fixed  $r$ , the integral approaches 0 as  $n$  approaches infinity. Since the integral always takes integral values, we find that the integral is exactly 0 for all  $n$  sufficiently large. Thus  $f(z)$  has no zeroes or poles for large  $n$ .

## 2 Conclusion

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## References

- [1] Mark J Ablowitz, Athanassios S Fokas, and AS Fokas. *Complex variables: introduction and applications*. Cambridge University Press, 2003.