

17. Taylor and Laurent Series

① Convergence of sequences

- $z_1, z_2, z_3, \dots, z_n, \dots$ infinite sequence of complex numbers;
 \parallel
 $x_n + iy_n$
- $z \in \mathbb{C}$;
 \parallel
 $x + iy$

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} z_n = z \iff \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} |z_n - z| = 0$$

$$\iff |z_n - z| \rightarrow 0 \text{ as } n \rightarrow \infty$$

$$\iff \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n = x \text{ \& } \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} y_n = y.$$

② Convergence of series

$z_1, z_2, z_3, \dots, z_n, \dots$ complex numbers.

\leadsto "Nth partial sum" $S_N = \sum_{n=1}^N z_n.$

\leadsto sequence of partial sums:

$$S_1, S_2, S_3, \dots, S_N, \dots$$

We say that the series $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} z_n$
"infinite sum"

converges to S if $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} S_N = S.$

Otherwise, we say $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} z_n$ diverges.

In other words:

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} z_n = \lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} \sum_{n=1}^N z_n.$$

Fact:

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} z_n \text{ convergent} \iff \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} x_n \text{ \& \ } \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} y_n \text{ convergent.}$$

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} z_n = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} x_n + i \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} y_n$$

Absolute Convergence

Theorem: If $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} |z_n|$ converges, then $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} z_n$ also converges.

no cancellation possible

cancellation possible

Defⁿ: $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} z_n$ converges absolutely

$$\iff \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} |z_n| \text{ converges.}$$

Absolute convergence \Rightarrow convergence.

Geometric Series: $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} z^n$, $z \in \mathbb{C}$.

$$S_N = 1 + z + z^2 + \dots + z^N$$

$$zS_N = z + z^2 + \dots + z^N + z^{N+1}$$

$$\leadsto (1-z)S_N = 1 - z^{N+1}$$

$$\leadsto S_N = \frac{1 - z^{N+1}}{1 - z} \quad \text{provided } z \neq 1.$$

$$\leadsto \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} z^n \text{ converges} \iff |z| < 1.$$

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} z^n = \frac{1}{1-z} \quad \text{provided } |z| < 1.$$

radius of convergence

③ Taylor Series

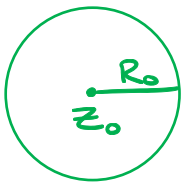
Taylor's Theorem:

$z_0 \in \mathbb{C}$, $R_0 > 0$, $f(z)$ analytic in the disk $|z - z_0| < R_0$, then

$$f(z) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n (z - z_0)^n, \quad |z - z_0| < R_0$$

where

$$a_n = \frac{f^{(n)}(z_0)}{n!}, \quad n = 0, 1, 2, \dots$$



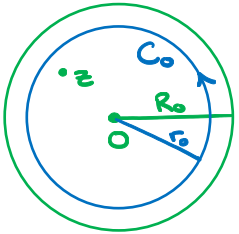
power series representation

* Maclaurin series when $z_0 = 0$:

$$f(z) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{f^{(n)}(0)}{n!} z^n, \quad |z| < R_0.$$

Proof for $z_0 = 0$:

Given z with $|z| < R_0$, take $r_0 > 0$ with $|z| < r_0 < R_0$. Take C_0 to be the circle of radius r_0 centered at 0 , oriented positively.



Cauchy Integral Formula:

$$\rightsquigarrow f(z) = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{C_0} \frac{f(s)}{s-z} ds.$$

$$\text{Write } \frac{1}{s-z} = \frac{1}{s} \cdot \frac{1}{(1-\frac{z}{s})} = \frac{1}{s} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{z^n}{s^n} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{z^n}{s^{n+1}}$$

(this is valid for $|\frac{z}{s}| < 1$, so works when $s \in C_0$ & z is interior to C_0). ✓✓

$$\rightsquigarrow f(z) = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{C_0} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} f(s) \cdot \frac{z^n}{s^{n+1}} ds$$

Careful! Interchanging infinite sums & integrals is not valid in general. This needs to be justified.

$$\begin{aligned} &= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} z^n \underbrace{\frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{C_0} \frac{f(s)}{s^{n+1}} ds}_{= a_n} \end{aligned}$$

Cauchy I. F. for Derivatives:

$$\rightsquigarrow \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{C_0} \frac{f(s)}{s^{n+1}} ds = \frac{f^{(n)}(0)}{n!}. \quad \square$$

Examples:

① $\frac{1}{1-z}$ is analytic on $\mathbb{C} - \{1\}$,
hence on $\{|z| < 1\}$.

We get the Maclaurin expansion

$$\frac{1}{1-z} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} z^n, \quad |z| < 1.$$

$$\textcircled{2} \quad \frac{1}{1+z} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (-1)^n z^n, \quad |z| < 1.$$

$$\begin{aligned} \textcircled{3} \quad \frac{1}{1+z^2} &= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (-1)^n z^{2n} \\ &= 1 - z^2 + z^4 - z^6 + \dots, \quad |z| < 1. \end{aligned}$$

$$\textcircled{4} \quad e^z = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{z^n}{n!}, \quad z \in \mathbb{C}.$$

$$\textcircled{5} \quad \cos z = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (-1)^n \frac{z^{2n}}{(2n)!}, \quad z \in \mathbb{C}.$$

$$\textcircled{6} \quad \sin z = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (-1)^n \frac{z^{2n+1}}{(2n+1)!}, \quad z \in \mathbb{C}.$$

$$\frac{d}{dz} \left[\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (-1)^n \frac{z^{2n+1}}{(2n+1)!} \right] = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (-1)^n \frac{z^{2n}}{(2n)!}$$

$$\textcircled{7} \quad \cosh z = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{z^{2n}}{(2n)!}, \quad z \in \mathbb{C}.$$

$$\textcircled{8} \quad \sinh z = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{z^{2n+1}}{(2n+1)!}, \quad z \in \mathbb{C}.$$

Recall that $(\cosh z)' = \sinh z$ & $(\sinh z)' = \cosh z$.

entire
functions

④ Laurent Series

Laurent's Theorem:

$$z_0 \in \mathbb{C}, \quad 0 \leq R_1 < R_2,$$

$f(z)$ analytic on $D = \{ R_1 < |z - z_0| < R_2 \}$,

C simple closed contour in D , positively oriented, going once around z_0 ,

then

$$f(z) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n (z - z_0)^n + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{b_n}{(z - z_0)^n}$$

where

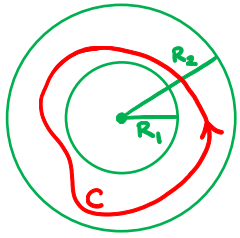
$$a_n = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_C \frac{f(z)}{(z - z_0)^{n+1}} dz, \quad n = 0, 1, 2, \dots$$

$$b_n = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_C \frac{f(z)}{(z - z_0)^{-n+1}} dz, \quad n = 0, 1, 2, \dots$$

Note: a_n & b_n do not depend on the choice of C .

We also write:

$$f(z) = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} c_n (z - z_0)^n, \quad c_n = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_C \frac{f(z)}{(z - z_0)^{n+1}} dz, \quad n \in \mathbb{Z}.$$



Examples:

① $e^{1/z}$ on $0 < |z| < \infty$.

$$e^z = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{z^n}{n!}, \quad z \in \mathbb{C}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \leadsto e^{1/z} &= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{\left(\frac{1}{z}\right)^n}{n!} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n! z^n} \\ &= 1 + \frac{1}{z} + \frac{1}{2z^2} + \frac{1}{6z^3} + \dots, \quad z \neq 0. \end{aligned}$$

$$\left(b_n = \frac{1}{n!}, \quad a_0 = 1, \quad a_n = 0, \quad n=1,2,3,\dots \right)$$

② $f(z) = \frac{1}{(z-i)^3}$ on $0 < |z-i| < \infty$.

This is a trivial example, since $\frac{1}{(z-i)^3}$ is already in the form of a Laurent expansion,

$$\text{with } c_n = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } n \neq -3 \\ 1 & \text{if } n = -3. \end{cases}$$

Exercise: check that for this example

we have

$$\frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{\mathcal{C}} \frac{f(z)}{(z-i)^{n+1}} dz = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } n \neq -3 \\ 1 & \text{if } n = -3. \end{cases}$$

③ The function $f(z) = \frac{1}{z-1} - \frac{1}{z-2}$ is analytic on each of the three domains

$$D_1 = \{|z| < 1\}, \quad D_2 = \{1 < |z| < 2\}, \quad D_3 = \{|z| > 2\}.$$

Problem: Find the series representation in

powers of z for $f(z)$ on each of these three domains.

Domain $D_1 = \{|z| < 1\}$:

$$\begin{aligned} f(z) &= -\frac{1}{1-z} + \frac{1}{2} \cdot \frac{1}{1-\frac{z}{2}} \\ &= -\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} z^n + \frac{1}{2} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \left(\frac{z}{2}\right)^n \\ &= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{z^n}{2^{n+1}} - z^n = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \underbrace{\left(\frac{1}{2^{n+1}} - 1\right)}_{= a_n} z^n \end{aligned}$$

An ordinary Maclaurin expansion.

Domain $D_2 = \{1 < |z| < 2\}$:

Key point: we can no longer write $\frac{1}{z-1} = -\frac{1}{1-z}$ as a geometric series in z , since $|z| > 1$.
But we can write $\frac{1}{1-\frac{1}{z}}$ as a geometric series in $\frac{1}{z}$.

$$\begin{aligned} f(z) &= \frac{1}{z} \cdot \frac{1}{\left(1-\frac{1}{z}\right)} + \frac{1}{2} \cdot \frac{1}{1-\frac{z}{2}} \quad \begin{array}{l} \text{since} \\ |z/2| < 1 \end{array} \\ &= \underbrace{\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{z^{n+1}}}_{= \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{z^n}} + \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{z^n}{2^{n+1}}, \quad 1 < |z| < 2. \end{aligned}$$

Since $|1/z| < 1$

A Laurent expansion!

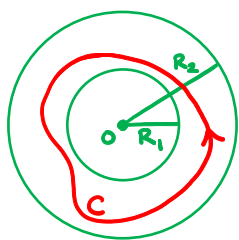
Domain $D_3 = \{ |z| > 2 \}$:

$$\begin{aligned} f(z) &= \frac{1}{z} \cdot \frac{1}{(1-\frac{1}{z})} - \frac{1}{z} \cdot \frac{1}{(1-\frac{2}{z})} \\ &= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{z^{n+1}} - \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{2^n}{z^{n+1}} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{1-2^n}{z^{n+1}} \\ &= \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1-2^{n-1}}{z^n}. \quad \leftarrow \text{Laurent expansion!} \end{aligned}$$

④ $f(z) = \frac{1}{z(z^2+1)}$ has singularities at $z=0$ and $z=\pm i$. Find the Laurent expansion for $f(z)$ on $\{0 < |z| < 1\}$.

Note: $\frac{1}{z^2+1} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (-1)^n z^{2n}$ for $|z| < 1$.

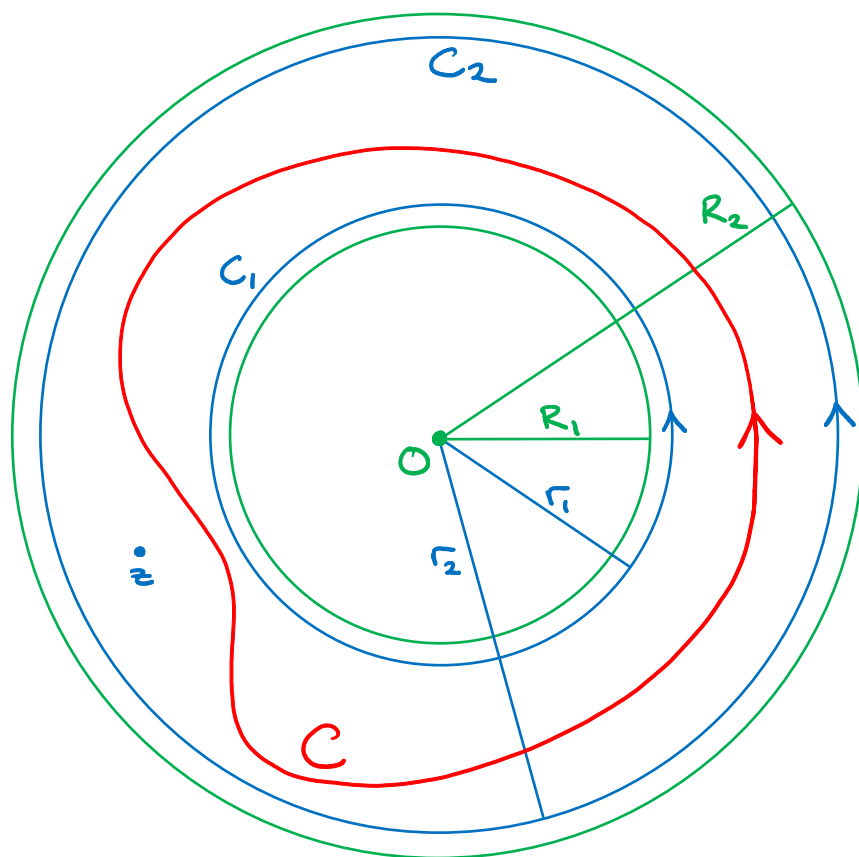
$$\begin{aligned} \leadsto f(z) &= \frac{1}{z} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (-1)^n z^{2n} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (-1)^n z^{2n-1} \\ &= \frac{1}{z} + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (-1)^n z^{2n-1}, \quad 0 < |z| < 1. \\ &= \frac{1}{z} + \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (-1)^{n+1} z^{2n+1}, \quad 0 < |z| < 1. \end{aligned}$$



Proof of Laurent's theorem ($z_0 = 0$):

Given z with $R_1 < |z| < R_2$, take $r_1, r_2 > 0$ with $R_1 < r_1 < |z| < r_2 < R_2$ and with C contained in the annulus with inner radius r_1 & outer radius r_2 . Let C_j ($j=1, 2$) denote the circle of radius r_j , positively oriented and centered at O .

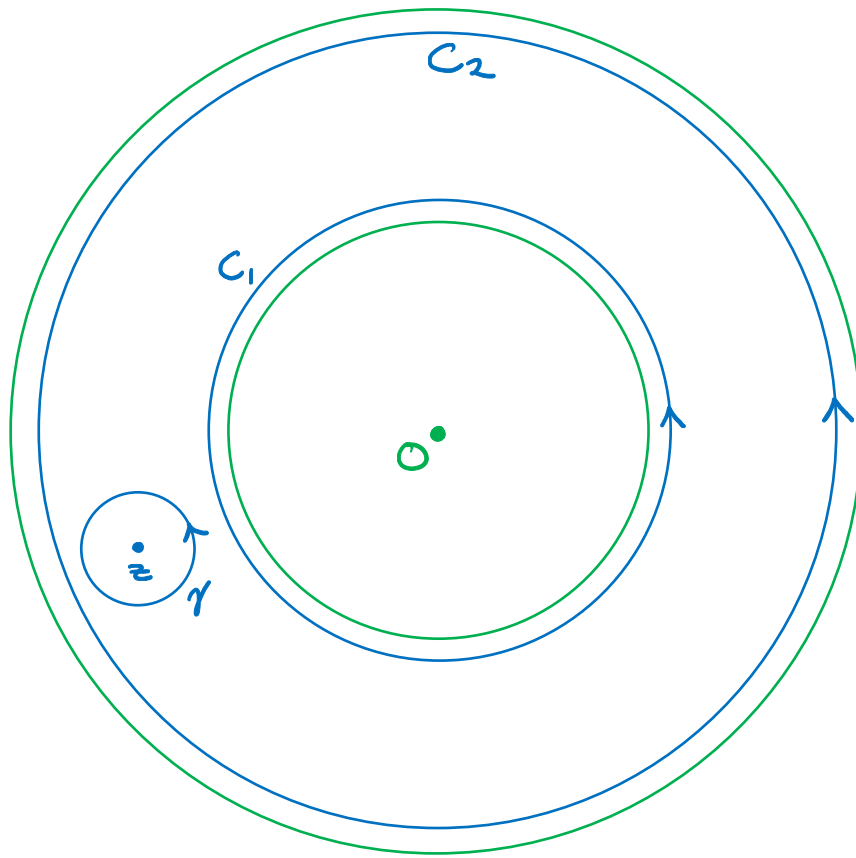
just for convenience →



Now consider a small circle γ centered at z and between C_1 & C_2 .

The function $f(z)$ is analytic on & interior to γ .

Cauchy Integral Formula: $f(z) = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{\gamma} \frac{f(s)}{s-z} ds$.



Keyhole surgery gives

$$\int_{C_2} \frac{f(s)}{s-z} ds = \int_{C_1} \frac{f(s)}{s-z} ds + \int_{\gamma} \frac{f(s)}{s-z} ds$$

Since C_2 "goes around" C_1 & γ ,
and $\frac{f(s)}{s-z}$ is analytic in between.

$$\leadsto f(z) = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{\gamma} \frac{f(s)}{s-z} ds$$

$$= \frac{1}{2\pi i} \underbrace{\int_{C_2} \frac{f(s)}{s-z} ds}_{\text{se } C_2 \text{ so } |s| > |z|} + \frac{1}{2\pi i} \underbrace{\int_{C_1} \frac{f(s)}{z-s} ds}_{\text{se } C_1 \text{ so } |s| < |z|}$$

$$\leadsto \text{use } \frac{1}{s-z} = \frac{1}{s} \cdot \frac{1}{1-\frac{z}{s}}$$

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For the C_2 integral we use $\frac{1}{s-z} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{z^n}{s^{n+1}}$

as in the proof of Taylor's theorem to get

$$\frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{C_2} \frac{f(s)}{z-s} ds = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{C_2} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} f(s) \frac{z^n}{s^{n+1}} ds$$

Careful! ↪
Needs justification.

$$= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} z^n \underbrace{\frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{C_2} \frac{f(s)}{s^{n+1}} ds}_{= a_n}$$

For the C_1 integral we have to use

$$\frac{1}{z-s} = \frac{1}{z} \cdot \frac{1}{1-s/z} = \frac{1}{z} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \left(\frac{s}{z}\right)^n = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{s^{n-1}}{z^n}$$

since $|s| < |z|$ (so $|\frac{s}{z}| < 1$). We get

$$\frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{C_1} \frac{f(s)}{z-s} ds = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{C_1} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} f(s) \frac{s^{n-1}}{z^n} ds$$

$$= \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{z^n} \cdot \underbrace{\frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{C_1} f(s) s^{n-1} ds}_{= b_n}$$

note that →
 $f(s) s^{n-1} = \frac{f(s)}{s^{n+1}}$

To conclude we simply apply the principle of deformation of paths to our expressions for a_n & b_n to see that in both cases the contour can be taken to be C (instead of C_1 or C_2). This gives the result. □

⑤ Manipulating power/Laurent series

Differentiating term by term:

It is valid to differentiate a convergent power series term by term, provided we stay inside the (open) domain of convergence.

Examples:

$$\textcircled{1} \quad \sin z = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (-1)^n \frac{z^{2n+1}}{(2n+1)!}, \quad |z| < \infty$$

$$\leadsto (\sin z)' = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (-1)^n \frac{z^{2n}}{(2n)!} = \cos z.$$

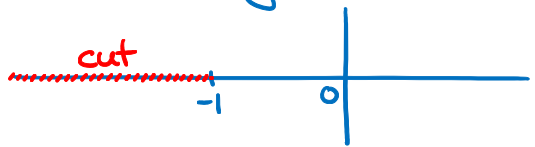
$$\textcircled{2} \quad e^z = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{z^n}{n!} \leadsto (e^z)' = e^z.$$

$$\textcircled{3} \quad \text{Differentiate } \frac{1}{1-z} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} z^n, \quad |z| < 1$$

to get $\frac{1}{(1-z)^2} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (n+1)z^n, \quad |z| < 1.$

Integrating term by term: (Valid!)

Example: $\text{Log}(1+z)$ is analytic in the unit disk $|z| < 1$.



$$\frac{1}{1+z} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (-1)^n z^n = 1 - z + z^2 - z^3 + \dots, \quad |z| < 1.$$

$(\text{Log}(1+z))' = \frac{1}{1+z}$
& $\text{Log}(1+0) = 0.$

$$\text{Log}(1+z) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (-1)^n \frac{z^{n+1}}{n+1} = z - \frac{z^2}{2} + \frac{z^3}{3} \dots, \quad |z| < 1.$$

Multiplication:

Example: Find the Maclaurin series for $\frac{e^z}{z^2+1}$, $|z| < 1$.

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{e^z}{z^2+1} &= \left(1 + z + \frac{z^2}{2} + \frac{z^3}{3!} + \dots\right) \left(1 - z^2 + z^4 - z^6 + \dots\right) \\ &= 1 + z + \left(\frac{1}{2} - 1\right)z^2 + \left(\frac{1}{6} - 1\right)z^3 + \left(\frac{1}{4!} - \frac{1}{2} + 1\right)z^4 + \dots\end{aligned}$$

Division:

Example: Using $\sinh z = z + \frac{z^3}{3!} + \frac{z^5}{5!} + \dots$, $z \in \mathbb{C}$, find the Laurent series expansion for $\frac{1}{\sinh z}$ in the punctured disk $0 < |z| < \pi$.

$$\rightsquigarrow \sinh z = z \left(\underline{1} + \frac{z^2}{3!} + \frac{z^4}{4!} + \dots \right)$$

$$\rightsquigarrow \frac{1}{\sinh z} = \frac{1}{z} \cdot \frac{1}{1 + \frac{z^2}{3!} + \frac{z^4}{5!} + \dots}$$

$$\begin{array}{r} \frac{1 - \frac{1}{3!}z^2 + \left[\frac{1}{(3!)^2} - \frac{1}{5!}\right]z^4 + \dots}{\underline{1 + \frac{1}{3!}z^2 + \frac{1}{5!}z^4 + \dots}} \\ \boxed{1} \\ \hline 1 + \frac{1}{3!}z^2 + \frac{1}{5!}z^4 + \dots \\ \hline - \frac{1}{3!}z^2 - \frac{1}{5!}z^4 - \dots \\ \hline - \frac{1}{3!}z^2 - \frac{1}{(3!)^2}z^4 - \dots \\ \hline \boxed{\left[\frac{1}{(3!)^2} - \frac{1}{5!}\right]z^4} + \dots \\ \vdots \end{array}$$

$$\rightsquigarrow \frac{1}{\sinh z} = \frac{1}{z} - \frac{1}{3!}z + \left[\frac{1}{(3!)^2} - \frac{1}{5!}\right]z^3 + \dots,$$

$$0 < |z| < \pi.$$