

## Mittag-Lefflers' Expansion Theorem

Let  $f(z)$  be a meromorphic function whose only singularities in the finite part of the plane are simple poles at  $a_1, a_2, a_3, \dots, a_n, \dots$ , which can be arranged as  $0 < |a_1| < |a_2| < \dots < |a_n| < \dots$  with residues  $b_1, b_2, b_3, \dots, b_n, \dots$ , respectively. Suppose also that  $f(z)$  is bounded i.e;  $|f(z)| < M$ .

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Consider a sequence of closed contours  $C_1, C_2, C_3, \dots, C_n, \dots$ , in the form of concentric circles of radii  $R_1, R_2, R_3, \dots, R_n, \dots$ , respectively, having centers at origin, such that, (i)  $C_n$  encloses  $a_1, a_2, a_3, \dots, a_n$  and no other poles and (ii)  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} R_n = \infty$ . Then for all values of  $z$ , except poles

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$$f(z) = f(0) + \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} b_m \left( \frac{1}{z - a_m} + \frac{1}{a_m} \right).$$

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Or more generally,

$$f(z) = f(0) + \sum_{m=-\infty}^{\infty} b_m \left( \frac{1}{z - a_m} + \frac{1}{a_m} \right).$$

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**Proof:** Consider the integral

$$I = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{C_n} \frac{f(t)dt}{t(t-z)},$$

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where  $z$  is a point with in  $C_n$  other than poles of  $f(z)$ . The poles of integrand are at

(i)  $t = a_m, m = 1, 2, 3, \dots, n$  (simple poles)(ii)  $t = 0$  (simple pole)(iii)  $t = z$  (simple poles)

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The residues at poles are

$$R_m = R_m(f, a_m) = \lim_{t \rightarrow a_m} \frac{(t - a_m)f(t)}{t(t-z)}, \quad m = 1, 2, 3, \dots, n.$$

$$\frac{b_m}{a_m(a_m - z)} \quad \text{Prepared by: Mr. Haider Ali} \quad \text{b}_m \text{ is residue of } f(z) \text{ at } z = a_m \Rightarrow \lim_{t \rightarrow a_m} (t - a_m)f(t) = b_m$$

$$R(f, 0) = \lim_{t \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(t)}{(t-z)} = \frac{f(0)}{-z}$$

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$$R(f, z) = \lim_{t \rightarrow z} \frac{f(t)}{t} = \frac{f(z)}{z}$$

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$$I = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \left[ 2\pi i \left( \sum_{m=1}^n R_m + R(f, 0) + R(f, z) \right) \right]$$

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$$I = \sum_{m=1}^n \frac{b_m}{a_m(a_m - z)} - \frac{f(0)}{z} + \frac{f(z)}{z} \quad \text{..... (1)}$$

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Now consider:-

$$I = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{C_n} \frac{f(t)dt}{t(t-z)} \quad \begin{array}{l} \text{Prepared by: Mr. Haider Ali} \\ \text{Guided by: Dr. Amir Mahmood} \end{array}$$

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$$|I| = \left| \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{C_n} \frac{f(t)dt}{t(t-z)} \right| \stackrel{\text{by: Mr. Haider Ali}}{=} \left| \frac{1}{2\pi |i|} \int_{C_n} \frac{|f(t)|dt}{|t(t-z)|} \right| \leq \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{C_n} \left| \frac{f(t)dt}{t(t-z)} \right| \stackrel{\text{Prepared by: Mr. Haider Ali}}{=} \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{C_n} \frac{|f(t)| |dt|}{|t| |t-z|} \quad \text{..... (2)}$$

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$$\text{But } | |t| - |z| | \leq |t - z| \Rightarrow \frac{1}{|t-z|} \leq \frac{1}{| |t| - |z| |} \quad \text{..... (3)}$$

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Using (3), (2) becomes

$$|I| \leq \frac{M}{2\pi(R_n |R_n - |z||)} \int_{C_n} |dt|, \quad \because |f(t)| \leq M \text{ and for } C_n \text{ (circle of radius } R_n \text{ with centre at origin), } |t| \stackrel{\text{Prepared by: Mr. Haider Ali}}{=} R_n$$

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$$= \frac{M}{2\pi(R_n |R_n - |z||)} (2\pi R_n) = \frac{M}{|R_n - |z||} \rightarrow 0 \text{ as } R_n \rightarrow \infty \text{ (or equivalently as } n \rightarrow \infty \text{)} \quad \because \int_{C_n} |dt| = 2\pi R_n$$

$$\Rightarrow I \rightarrow 0 \text{ as } R_n \rightarrow \infty \text{ (or equivalently as } n \rightarrow \infty \text{)}$$

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So, (1) takes the form, as long as  $n \rightarrow \infty$ 

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$$0 = \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} \frac{b_m}{a_m(a_m - z)} - \frac{f(0)}{z} + \frac{f(z)}{z} \quad \begin{array}{l} \text{Prepared by: Mr. Haider Ali} \\ \text{Guided by: Dr. Amir Mahmood} \end{array}$$

$$\frac{f(z)}{z} = \frac{f(0)}{z} - \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} \frac{b_m}{a_m(a_m - z)} \quad \begin{array}{l} \text{Prepared by: Mr. Haider Ali} \\ \text{Guided by: Dr. Amir Mahmood} \end{array}$$

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$$f(z) = f(0) + \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} \frac{b_m z}{a_m(z - a_m)} \quad \begin{array}{l} \text{Gu...d by: Dr. Amir Mahmood} \\ \text{Prepared by: Mr. Haider Ali} \end{array}$$

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$$f(z) = f(0) + \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} b_m \left[ \frac{1}{a_m} + \frac{1}{z - a_m} \right] \quad \begin{array}{l} \text{Prepared by: Mr. Haider Ali} \\ \text{Gu...d by: Dr. Amir Mahmood} \end{array}$$

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$$\text{Or more generally, } f(z) = f(0) + \sum_{m=-\infty}^{\infty} b_m \left( \frac{1}{z - a_m} + \frac{1}{a_m} \right) \quad \begin{array}{l} \text{Prepared by: Mr. Haider Ali} \\ \text{Gu...d by: Dr. Amir Mahmood} \end{array} \quad \text{Hence the theorem.}$$

**Question 1:** Prove that  $\pi \tan(\pi z) = -\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \left[ \frac{1}{z-n-1/2} + \frac{1}{z+n+1/2} \right]$  and deduce that

$$\frac{\pi^2}{\cos^2(\pi z)} = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{1}{(z-n-1/2)^2}$$

**Solution:** Let,  $f(z) = \tan(\pi z) \Rightarrow \lim_{z \rightarrow 0} f(z) = \lim_{z \rightarrow 0} \tan(\pi z) = 0$

Since,  $\lim_{z \rightarrow 0} f(z) = 0$  (= defined), therefore, there is removable singularity at  $z = 0$  (and hence no pole at  $z = 0$ ).

Poles of  $\tan(\pi z)$  are determined by  $\cos(\pi z) = 0 \Rightarrow \pi z = \left(n + \frac{1}{2}\right)\pi \Rightarrow z = n + \frac{1}{2}, n = 0, \pm 1, \pm 2, \pm 3, \dots$

$$\begin{aligned} R(f, n + 1/2) &= \lim_{z \rightarrow n + 1/2} \frac{(z - (n + 1/2)) \sin(\pi z)}{\cos(\pi z)} \quad \left( \frac{0}{0} \right) \text{ form} \\ &= \lim_{z \rightarrow n + 1/2} \frac{(z - (n + 1/2)) \pi \cos(\pi z) + \sin(\pi z)}{-\pi \sin(\pi z)} = \frac{0 + (-1)^n}{-\pi(-1)^n} = -\frac{1}{\pi} \end{aligned}$$

Mittag Leffler's Formula:  $f(z) = f(0) + \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} b_n \left[ \frac{1}{z - a_n} + \frac{1}{a_n} \right]$

$$\tan(\pi z) = 0 + \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} \left( -\frac{1}{\pi} \right) \left[ \frac{1}{z - (n + 1/2)} + \frac{1}{n + 1/2} \right] \quad \xrightarrow{\text{--- --- --- --- ---}} (1)$$

$$\pi \tan(\pi z) = - \left( \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \left[ \frac{1}{z - (n + 1/2)} + \frac{1}{n + 1/2} \right] + \sum_{n=-1}^{-\infty} \left[ \frac{1}{z - (n + 1/2)} - \frac{1}{n + 1/2} \right] \right)$$

Replace  $n$  by  $-n$  in second summation, we get

$$\pi \tan(\pi z) = - \left( \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \left[ \frac{1}{z - (n + 1/2)} + \frac{1}{n + 1/2} \right] + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left[ \frac{1}{z - (-n + 1/2)} - \frac{1}{-n + 1/2} \right] \right)$$

Now, replace  $n$  by  $n + 1$  in second summation, to get

$$\begin{aligned} \pi \tan(\pi z) &= - \left( \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \left[ \frac{1}{z - (n + 1/2)} + \frac{1}{n + 1/2} \right] + \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \left[ \frac{1}{z - (-n - 1/2)} - \frac{1}{(-n - 1/2)} \right] \right) \\ &= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \left[ \frac{1}{z - n - 1/2} + \frac{1}{n + 1/2} + \frac{1}{z + n + 1/2} - \frac{1}{n + 1/2} \right] \\ &= - \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \left[ \frac{1}{z - n - 1/2} + \frac{1}{z + n + 1/2} \right] \end{aligned}$$

Differentiate (1) with respect to  $z$ , we get

$$\pi \sec^2(\pi z) = \frac{1}{\pi} \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{1}{(z - n - 1/2)^2} \Rightarrow \frac{\pi^2}{\cos^2(\pi z)} = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{1}{(z - n - 1/2)^2} \quad \text{Hence proved.}$$

**Question 2:** Prove that  $\frac{\pi}{\sin(\pi z)} = \frac{1}{z} + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n 2z}{z^2 - n^2}$

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**Solution:** Let,  $f(z) = \frac{\pi}{\sin(\pi z)} - \frac{1}{z} = \frac{z\pi - \sin(\pi z)}{z \sin(\pi z)}$

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$$\begin{aligned}\lim_{z \rightarrow 0} f(z) &= \lim_{z \rightarrow 0} \frac{z\pi - \sin(\pi z)}{z \sin(\pi z)} \quad \left( \frac{0}{0} \right) \text{ form} \\ &= \lim_{z \rightarrow 0} \frac{\pi - \pi \cos(\pi z)}{\pi z \cos(\pi z) + \sin(\pi z)} \quad \left( \frac{0}{0} \right) \text{ form} \\ &= \lim_{z \rightarrow 0} \frac{\pi^2 \sin(\pi z)}{-\pi^2 z \sin(\pi z) + \pi \cos(\pi z) + \pi \cos(\pi z)} = 0\end{aligned}$$

Since,  $\lim_{z \rightarrow 0} f(z) = 0$  (= defined), therefore, there is removable singularity at  $z = 0$  (and hence no pole at  $z = 0$ ).

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The poles of  $f(z)$  are determined by  $\sin(\pi z) = 0, z \neq 0 \Rightarrow \pi z = n\pi \Rightarrow z = n, n = \pm 1, \pm 2, \pm 3, \dots$ 

$$\begin{aligned}R(f, n) &= \lim_{z \rightarrow n} \frac{(z - n)(\pi z - \sin(\pi z))}{z \sin(\pi z)} \quad \left( \frac{0}{0} \right) \text{ form} \\ &= \lim_{z \rightarrow n} \frac{(z - n)(\pi - \pi \cos(\pi z)) + (\pi z - \sin(\pi z))}{\pi z \cos(\pi z) + \sin(\pi z)} \\ &\stackrel{\text{Prepared by: Mr. Haider Ali}}{=} \frac{n\pi}{n\pi(-1)^n} = (-1)^n, \forall n \in \mathbb{Z}\end{aligned}$$

Mittag Lefflers' Formula:  $f(z) = f(0) + \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} b_n \left[ \frac{1}{z - a_n} + \frac{1}{a_n} \right]$

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$$\frac{\pi}{\sin(\pi z)} - \frac{1}{z} = 0 + \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} (-1)^n \left[ \frac{1}{z - n} + \frac{1}{n} \right]$$

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$$\begin{aligned}\frac{\pi}{\sin(\pi z)} &= \frac{1}{z} + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (-1)^n \left[ \frac{1}{z - n} + \frac{1}{n} \right] + \sum_{n=-1}^{\infty} (-1)^n \left[ \frac{1}{z - n} + \frac{1}{n} \right] \\ &= \frac{1}{z} + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (-1)^n \left[ \frac{1}{z - n} + \frac{1}{n} \right] + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (-1)^{-n} \left[ \frac{1}{z + n} - \frac{1}{n} \right] \\ &\stackrel{\text{Prepared by: Mr. Haider Ali}}{=} \frac{1}{z} + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (-1)^n \left[ \frac{1}{z - n} + \frac{1}{n} + \frac{1}{z + n} - \frac{1}{n} \right] \\ &\stackrel{\text{Prepared by: Mr. Haider Ali}}{=} \frac{1}{z} + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (-1)^n \left[ \frac{1}{z - n} + \frac{1}{z + n} \right] = \frac{1}{z} + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n 2z}{z^2 - n^2}\end{aligned}$$

Hence proved.

**Question 3:** Prove that  $\tan z = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{2z}{(n + 1/2)^2 \pi^2 - z^2}$

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**Solution:** Let,  $f(z) = \tan z \Rightarrow f(0) = 0$

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Poles of  $\tan z$  are determined by  $\cos z = 0 \Rightarrow z = \left(n + \frac{1}{2}\right)\pi, n = 0, \pm 1, \pm 2, \pm 3, \dots$

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$$R(f, (n + 1/2)\pi) \text{ by: Dr. Amir Mahmood} = \lim_{z \rightarrow (n+1/2)\pi} \frac{(z - (n + 1/2)\pi) \sin z}{\cos z} \quad \text{Guided by: Dr. Amir Mahmood} \\ = \lim_{z \rightarrow (n+1/2)\pi} \frac{(z - (n + 1/2)\pi) \cos z + \sin z}{-\sin z} = \frac{0 + (-1)^n}{-(-1)^n} = -1$$

Mittag Lefflers' Formula:  $f(z) = f(0) + \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} b_n \left[ \frac{1}{z - a_n} + \frac{1}{a_n} \right]$

$$\tan z = 0 + \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} (-1) \left[ \frac{1}{z - (n + 1/2)\pi} + \frac{1}{(n + 1/2)\pi} \right] \quad \text{Prepared by: Dr. Amir Mahmood}$$

$$\tan z = - \left( \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \left[ \frac{1}{z - (n + 1/2)\pi} + \frac{1}{(n + 1/2)\pi} \right] + \sum_{n=-1}^{-\infty} \left[ \frac{1}{z - (n + 1/2)\pi} - \frac{1}{(n + 1/2)\pi} \right] \right) \quad \text{Prepared by: Dr. Amir Mahmood}$$

Replace  $n$  by  $-n$  in second summation, we get

$$\tan z = - \left( \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \left[ \frac{1}{z - (n + 1/2)\pi} + \frac{1}{(n + 1/2)\pi} \right] + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left[ \frac{1}{z - (-n + 1/2)\pi} - \frac{1}{(-n + 1/2)\pi} \right] \right)$$

Now, replace  $n$  by  $n + 1$  in second summation, to get

$$\begin{aligned} \tan z &= - \left( \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \left[ \frac{1}{z - (n + 1/2)\pi} + \frac{1}{(n + 1/2)\pi} \right] + \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \left[ \frac{1}{z - (-n - 1/2)\pi} - \frac{1}{(-n - 1/2)\pi} \right] \right) \\ &= - \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \left[ \frac{1}{z - (n + 1/2)\pi} + \frac{1}{(n + 1/2)\pi} + \frac{1}{z + (n + 1/2)\pi} - \frac{1}{(n + 1/2)\pi} \right] \\ &\stackrel{\text{Guided by: Dr. Amir Mahmood}}{=} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \left[ \frac{1}{z - (n + 1/2)\pi} + \frac{1}{z + (n + 1/2)\pi} \right] = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{z^2 - [(n + 1/2)\pi]^2} \\ &= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{2z}{(n + 1/2)^2 \pi^2 - z^2} \quad \text{Prepared by: Mr. Haider Ali} \end{aligned}$$

**Hence proved.**

**Question 4: Prove that**  $\frac{1}{e^z - 1} = -\frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{z} + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{2z}{z^2 - 4n^2 \pi^2}$

**Solution:** Let  $f(z) = \frac{1}{e^z - 1} - \frac{1}{z} = \frac{z - e^z + 1}{z(e^z - 1)}$

$$\begin{aligned} \lim_{z \rightarrow 0} f(z) &= \lim_{z \rightarrow 0} \frac{z - e^z + 1}{z(e^z - 1)} \quad \left( \frac{0}{0} \right) \text{ form} \\ &\stackrel{\text{Guided by: Dr. Amir Mahmood}}{=} \lim_{z \rightarrow 0} \frac{1 - e^z}{ze^z + e^z - 1} \quad \left( \frac{0}{0} \right) \text{ form} \\ &= \lim_{z \rightarrow 0} \frac{-e^z}{ze^z + e^z + e^z} = -\frac{1}{2} \end{aligned}$$

Since,  $\lim_{z \rightarrow 0} f(z) = -\frac{1}{2}$  (= defined), therefore, there is removable singularity at  $z = 0$  (and hence no pole at  $z = 0$ ).

The poles of  $f(z)$  are determined by  $e^z = 1 = e^{2n\pi i}$ ,  $z \neq 0 \Rightarrow z = 2n\pi i$ ,  $n = \pm 1, \pm 2, \pm 3, \dots$

$$\begin{aligned}
 R(f, 2n\pi i) &= \lim_{z \rightarrow 2n\pi i} \frac{(z - 2n\pi i)(z - e^z + 1)}{z(e^z - 1)} \\
 &= \lim_{z \rightarrow 2n\pi i} \frac{(z - 2n\pi i)(1 - e^z) + (z - e^z + 1)}{ze^z + e^z - 1} = \frac{2n\pi i}{2n\pi i} = 1
 \end{aligned}$$

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$$\frac{1}{e^z - 1} = \frac{1}{z} + \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} \left[ \frac{1}{z - 2n\pi i} + \frac{1}{2n\pi i} \right]$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \Rightarrow \frac{1}{e^z - 1} &= -\frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{z} + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left[ \frac{1}{z - 2n\pi i} + \frac{1}{2n\pi i} \right] + \sum_{n=-1}^{-\infty} \left[ \frac{1}{z - 2n\pi i} + \frac{1}{2n\pi i} \right] \\
 &= -\frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{z} + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left[ \frac{1}{z - 2n\pi i} + \frac{1}{2n\pi i} \right] + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left[ \frac{1}{z + 2n\pi i} - \frac{1}{2n\pi i} \right] \quad \begin{matrix} \text{(by replacing } n \\ \text{by } -n \text{ in second} \\ \text{summation} \end{matrix} \\
 &= -\frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{z} + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left[ \frac{1}{z - 2n\pi i} + \frac{1}{2n\pi i} + \frac{1}{z + 2n\pi i} - \frac{1}{2n\pi i} \right] = -\frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{z} + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left[ \frac{1}{z - 2n\pi i} + \frac{1}{z + 2n\pi i} \right] \\
 &= -\frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{z} + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{2z}{z^2 + 4n^2\pi^2}
 \end{aligned}$$

**Question 5:** Prove that  $\frac{\sin(\alpha z)}{\sin(\pi z)} = \frac{2}{\pi} + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (-1)^n \frac{n \sin(\alpha n)}{z^2 - n^2}$

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**Solution:** This is exactly the solved example 6 on page 293 of the book "Fundamentals of Complex Analysis" by "Dr. Iqbal". You may see solution there.

**Question 6:** Construct a function  $f(z)$  which is holomorphic except at the poles  $z = \pm 1, \pm 2, \pm 3, \dots$  and is such that  $f(z) - \cot(\pi z)$  tends to zero at each of these poles.

**Solution:** Consider the function,  $f(z) = z \cot(\pi z) = \frac{z \cos(\pi z)}{\sin(\pi z)}$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \lim_{z \rightarrow 0} f(z) &= \lim_{z \rightarrow 0} \frac{z \cos(\pi z)}{\sin(\pi z)} \quad \left( \frac{0}{0} \right) \text{ form} \\
 &= \lim_{z \rightarrow 0} \frac{-\pi z \sin(\pi z) + \cos(\pi z)}{\pi \cos(\pi z)} = \frac{1}{\pi}
 \end{aligned}$$

Since,  $\lim_{z \rightarrow 0} f(z) = \frac{1}{\pi}$  (= defined), therefore, there is removable singularity at  $z = 0$  (and hence no pole at  $z = 0$ ).

The poles of  $f(z)$  are determined by  $\sin(\pi z) = 0$ ,  $z \neq 0 \Rightarrow \pi z = n\pi \Rightarrow z = n$ ,  $n = \pm 1, \pm 2, \pm 3, \dots$

$$\begin{aligned}
 R(f, n) &= \lim_{z \rightarrow n} \frac{(z - n)z \cos(\pi z)}{\sin(\pi z)} \quad \left( \frac{0}{0} \right) \text{ form} \\
 &= \lim_{z \rightarrow n} \frac{(z - n)(-\pi z \sin(\pi z) + \cos(\pi z)) + z \cos(\pi z)}{\pi \cos(\pi z)} = \frac{n(-1)^n}{\pi(-1)^n} = \frac{n}{\pi}
 \end{aligned}$$

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$f(z) = z \cot(\pi z) = \frac{1}{\pi} + \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} \left[ \frac{1}{\pi} \left( \frac{1}{z-n} + \frac{1}{n} \right) \right] = \frac{1}{\pi} + \frac{1}{\pi} \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} \left[ \frac{1}{z-n} + \frac{1}{n} \right]$  is the required function.

**Question 7: Prove that  $\pi \cot(\pi z) = \frac{1}{z} + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{2z}{z^2 - n^2}$  and deduce the following results:**

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(i)  $\sin(\pi z) = \pi z \prod_{n=1}^{\infty} \left( 1 - \frac{z^2}{n^2} \right)$  and (ii)  $\sqrt{2} = \frac{2}{1} \cdot \frac{2}{3} \cdot \frac{6}{5} \cdot \frac{6}{7} \cdot \frac{10}{9} \cdot \frac{10}{11} \dots$

**Solution:** Let,  $f(z) = \pi \cot(\pi z) - \frac{1}{z} = \frac{\pi \cos(\pi z)}{\sin(\pi z)} - \frac{1}{z} = \frac{\pi z \cos(\pi z) - \sin(\pi z)}{z \sin(\pi z)}$

$$\begin{aligned} \lim_{z \rightarrow 0} f(z) &= \lim_{z \rightarrow 0} \frac{\pi z \cos(\pi z) - \sin(\pi z)}{z \sin(\pi z)} \stackrel{(0/0)}{\text{form}} \\ &= \lim_{z \rightarrow 0} \frac{-\pi^2 z \sin(\pi z) + \pi \cos(\pi z) - \pi \cos(\pi z)}{\pi z \cos(\pi z) + \sin(\pi z)} = \lim_{z \rightarrow 0} \frac{-\pi^2 z \sin(\pi z)}{\pi z \cos(\pi z) + \sin(\pi z)} \stackrel{(0/0)}{\text{form}} \\ &= \lim_{z \rightarrow 0} \frac{-\pi^2 [\pi z \cos(\pi z) + \sin(\pi z)]}{-\pi^2 z \sin(\pi z) + \pi \cos(\pi z) + \pi \cos(\pi z)} = 0 \end{aligned}$$

Since,  $\lim_{z \rightarrow 0} f(z) = 0$  (= defined), therefore, there is removable singularity at  $z = 0$  (and hence no pole at  $z = 0$ ).

The poles of  $f(z)$  are determined by  $\sin(\pi z) = 0$ ,  $z \neq 0 \Rightarrow \pi z = n\pi \Rightarrow z = n$ ,  $n = \pm 1, \pm 2, \pm 3, \dots$

$$\begin{aligned} R(f, n) &= \lim_{z \rightarrow n} \frac{(z - n)[\pi z \cos(\pi z) - \sin(\pi z)]}{z \sin(\pi z)} \stackrel{(0/0)}{\text{form}} \\ &= \lim_{z \rightarrow n} \frac{(z - n)[- \pi^2 z \sin(\pi z) + \pi \cos(\pi z) - \pi \cos(\pi z)] + (\pi z \cos(\pi z) - \sin(\pi z))}{\pi z \cos(\pi z) + \sin(\pi z)} \\ &= \frac{n\pi(-1)^n}{n\pi(-1)^n} = 1 \end{aligned}$$

Mittag Lefflers' Formula:  $f(z) = f(0) + \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} b_n \left[ \frac{1}{z - a_n} + \frac{1}{a_n} \right]$

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$$\pi \cot(\pi z) - \frac{1}{z} = 0 + \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} \left[ \frac{1}{z-n} + \frac{1}{n} \right]$$

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$$\begin{aligned} \pi \cot(\pi z) &= \frac{1}{z} + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left[ \frac{1}{z-n} + \frac{1}{n} \right] + \sum_{n=-1}^{-\infty} \left[ \frac{1}{z-n} + \frac{1}{n} \right] \\ &= \frac{1}{z} + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left[ \frac{1}{z-n} + \frac{1}{n} \right] + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left[ \frac{1}{z+n} - \frac{1}{n} \right] \quad \begin{aligned} &\text{Guided by: Dr. Amir Mahmood} \\ &\text{by replacing } n \text{ by } -n \text{ in second summation} \end{aligned} \\ &= \frac{1}{z} + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left[ \frac{1}{z-n} + \frac{1}{n} + \frac{1}{z+n} - \frac{1}{n} \right] \quad \because (-1)^{-n} = \frac{1}{(-1)^n} = (-1)^n, \forall n \in \mathbb{Z} \end{aligned}$$

$$\pi \cot(\pi z) = \frac{1}{z} + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left[ \frac{1}{z-n} + \frac{1}{z+n} \right] = \frac{1}{z} + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{2z}{z^2 - n^2}$$

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Hence proved.

From (1), we have

$$\frac{\pi \cos(\pi z)}{\sin(\pi z)} = \frac{1}{z} + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{2z}{z^2 - n^2}$$

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Integrating above equation (on both sides), with respect to  $z$ , between the limits 0 to  $z$ , we get

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$$\left[ \log(\sin(\pi z)) \right]_{z=0}^z = \left[ \log z \right]_{z=0}^z + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left[ \log(z^2 - n^2) \right]_{z=0}^z$$

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$$\Rightarrow \log(\sin(\pi z)) - \lim_{z \rightarrow 0} \log(\sin(\pi z)) = \log z - \lim_{z \rightarrow 0} \log z + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} [\log(z^2 - n^2) - \log(-n^2)]$$

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$$\Rightarrow \log\left(\frac{\sin(\pi z)}{z}\right) - \lim_{z \rightarrow 0} \log\left(\frac{\sin(\pi z)}{z}\right) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \log\left(\frac{z^2 - n^2}{-n^2}\right)$$

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$$\Rightarrow \log\left(\frac{\sin(\pi z)}{z}\right) - \log\left(\lim_{z \rightarrow 0} \frac{\pi \sin(\pi z)}{\pi z}\right) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \log\left(\frac{z^2 - n^2}{-n^2}\right)$$

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$$\Rightarrow \log\left(\frac{\sin(\pi z)}{z}\right) - \log \pi = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \log\left(1 - \frac{z^2}{n^2}\right)$$

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$$\Rightarrow \log\left(\frac{\sin(\pi z)}{\pi z}\right) = \log \prod_{n=1}^{\infty} \left(1 - \frac{z^2}{n^2}\right)$$

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$$\Rightarrow \frac{\sin(\pi z)}{\pi z} = \prod_{n=1}^{\infty} \left(1 - \frac{z^2}{n^2}\right) \quad \text{-----} \quad \text{Prepared by: Mr. Haider Ali} \quad \text{Guided by: Dr. Amir Mahmood} \quad (1)$$

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$$\Rightarrow \sin(\pi z) = \pi z \prod_{n=1}^{\infty} \left(1 - \frac{z^2}{n^2}\right) \quad \text{Hence proved.}$$

Put  $z = 1/2$  in (1), we get,

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$$\frac{\sin\left(\frac{\pi}{2}\right)}{\frac{\pi}{2}} = \prod_{n=1}^{\infty} \left(1 - \frac{1}{(2n)^2}\right)$$

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$$\Rightarrow \frac{2}{\pi} = \left(1 - \frac{1}{(2)^2}\right) \left(1 - \frac{1}{(4)^2}\right) \left(1 - \frac{1}{(6)^2}\right) \left(1 - \frac{1}{(8)^2}\right) \left(1 - \frac{1}{(10)^2}\right) \left(1 - \frac{1}{(12)^2}\right) \left(1 - \frac{1}{(14)^2}\right) \dots \quad \text{Prepared by: Mr. Haider Ali} \quad \text{Guided by: Dr. Amir Mahmood} \quad (2)$$

Put  $z = 1/4$  in (1), we get,

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$$\frac{\sin\left(\frac{\pi}{4}\right)}{\frac{\pi}{4}} = \prod_{n=1}^{\infty} \left(1 - \frac{1}{(4n)^2}\right)$$

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$$\Rightarrow \frac{4}{\sqrt{2}\pi} = \left(1 - \frac{1}{(4)^2}\right) \left(1 - \frac{1}{(8)^2}\right) \left(1 - \frac{1}{(12)^2}\right) \left(1 - \frac{1}{(16)^2}\right) \left(1 - \frac{1}{(20)^2}\right) \left(1 - \frac{1}{(24)^2}\right) \dots \quad (3)$$

Dividing (2) by (3), we get

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$$\left(\frac{2}{\pi}\right) \left(\frac{\sqrt{2}\pi}{4}\right) = \left(1 - \frac{1}{(2)^2}\right) \left(1 - \frac{1}{(6)^2}\right) \left(1 - \frac{1}{(10)^2}\right) \left(1 - \frac{1}{(14)^2}\right) \dots$$

$$\frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} = \left(\frac{(2)^2 - 1}{(2)^2}\right) \left(\frac{(6)^2 - 1}{(6)^2}\right) \left(\frac{(10)^2 - 1}{(10)^2}\right) \left(\frac{(14)^2 - 1}{(14)^2}\right) \dots$$

$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} = \left[\frac{(2-1)(2+1)}{(2)(2)}\right] \left[\frac{(6-1)(6+1)}{(6)(6)}\right] \left[\frac{(10-1)(10+1)}{(10)(10)}\right] \left[\frac{(14-1)(14+1)}{(14)(14)}\right] \dots$$

Taking reciprocal on both sides of above expression, we get

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$$\sqrt{2} = \left[\frac{(2)(2)}{(2-1)(2+1)}\right] \left[\frac{(6)(6)}{(6-1)(6+1)}\right] \left[\frac{(10)(10)}{(10-1)(10+1)}\right] \left[\frac{(14)(14)}{(14-1)(14+1)}\right] \dots$$

$$\sqrt{2} = \frac{2}{1} \cdot \frac{2}{3} \cdot \frac{6}{5} \cdot \frac{6}{7} \cdot \frac{10}{9} \cdot \frac{10}{11} \cdot \frac{14}{13} \cdot \frac{14}{15} \dots$$

Hence proved.

**Question 8:** Deduce from the result of question 6 that

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$$\pi \cot(\pi z) = \frac{1}{z} + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{2z}{z^2 - n^2}$$

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**Solution:** In question 6, we have proved that:

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$$\pi \cot(\pi z) = \frac{1}{\pi} + \frac{1}{\pi} \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} n \left[ \frac{1}{z-n} + \frac{1}{n} \right]$$

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$$\begin{aligned} \Rightarrow z \cot(\pi z) &= \frac{1}{\pi} + \frac{1}{\pi} \left( \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} n \left[ \frac{1}{z-n} + \frac{1}{n} \right] + \sum_{n=-1}^{-\infty} n \left[ \frac{1}{z-n} + \frac{1}{n} \right] \right) \\ &= \frac{1}{\pi} + \frac{1}{\pi} \left( \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} n \left[ \frac{1}{z-n} + \frac{1}{n} \right] + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (-n) \left[ \frac{1}{z+n} - \frac{1}{n} \right] \right) \quad \begin{array}{l} \text{(by replacing } n \text{)} \\ \text{(by } -n \text{ in second summation)} \end{array} \\ &= \frac{1}{\pi} + \frac{1}{\pi} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} n \left[ \frac{1}{z-n} + \frac{1}{n} - \frac{1}{z+n} + \frac{1}{n} \right] \\ &= \frac{1}{\pi} + \frac{1}{\pi} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} n \left[ \frac{n(z+n) + (z+n)(z-n) - n(z-n) + (z+n)(z-n)}{n(z+n)(z-n)} \right] \\ &= \frac{1}{\pi} + \frac{1}{\pi} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{nz + n^2 + z^2 - n^2 - nz + n^2 + z^2 - n^2}{z^2 - n^2} = \frac{1}{\pi} + \frac{1}{\pi} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{2z^2}{z^2 - n^2} \end{aligned}$$

$$\Rightarrow \pi z \cot(\pi z) = 1 + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{2z^2}{z^2 - n^2} \quad \Rightarrow \quad \pi \cot(\pi z) = \frac{1}{z} + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{2z}{z^2 - n^2}$$

Hence proved.

**Question 9:** Expand  $\cot(\pi z)$  by Mittag Leffler's theorem and deduce the following results:

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$$(i) \quad \frac{\pi^2}{\sin^2(\pi z)} = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{1}{(z-n)^2} \quad \text{and} \quad (ii) \quad \frac{\pi^2}{\cos^2(\pi z)} = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{1}{(z+n-1/2)^2}.$$

**Solution:** Let  $f(z) = \pi \cot(\pi z)$ . Then  $\frac{1}{z} = \frac{\pi \cos(\pi z)}{\sin(\pi z)} - \frac{1}{z} = \frac{\pi z \cos(\pi z) - \sin(\pi z)}{z \sin(\pi z)}$

$$\begin{aligned}\lim_{z \rightarrow 0} f(z) &= \lim_{z \rightarrow 0} \frac{\pi z \cos(\pi z) - \sin(\pi z)}{z \sin(\pi z)} \quad \left( \frac{0}{0} \right) \text{ form} \\ &= \lim_{z \rightarrow 0} \frac{-\pi^2 z \sin(\pi z) + \pi \cos(\pi z) - \pi \cos(\pi z)}{\pi z \cos(\pi z) + \sin(\pi z)} = \lim_{z \rightarrow 0} \frac{-\pi^2 z \sin(\pi z)}{\pi z \cos(\pi z) + \sin(\pi z)} \quad \left( \frac{0}{0} \right) \text{ form} \\ &= \lim_{z \rightarrow 0} \frac{-\pi^2 [\pi z \cos(\pi z) + \sin(\pi z)]}{-\pi^2 z \sin(\pi z) + \pi \cos(\pi z) + \pi \cos(\pi z)} = 0\end{aligned}$$

Since,  $\lim_{z \rightarrow 0} f(z) = 0$  ( $\neq$  defined), therefore, there is removable singularity at  $z = 0$  (and hence no pole at  $z = 0$ ).

The poles of  $f(z)$  are determined by  $\sin(\pi z) = 0$ ,  $z \neq 0 \Rightarrow \pi z = n\pi \Rightarrow z = n$ ,  $n = \pm 1, \pm 2, \pm 3, \dots$

$$\begin{aligned}R(f, n) &= \lim_{z \rightarrow n} \frac{(z - n)[\pi z \cos(\pi z) - \sin(\pi z)]}{z \sin(\pi z)} \quad \left( \frac{0}{0} \right) \text{ form} \\ &= \lim_{z \rightarrow n} \frac{(z - n)[- \pi^2 z \sin(\pi z) + \pi \cos(\pi z) - \pi \cos(\pi z)] + (\pi z \cos(\pi z) - \sin(\pi z))}{\pi z \cos(\pi z) + \sin(\pi z)} \\ &= \frac{n\pi(-1)^n}{n\pi(-1)^n} = 1\end{aligned}$$

Mittag Leffler's Formula:  $f(z) = f(0) + \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} b_n \left[ \frac{1}{z - a_n} + \frac{1}{a_n} \right]$

$$\pi \cot(\pi z) - \frac{1}{z} = 0 + \sum'_{n=-\infty} \left[ \frac{1}{z - n} + \frac{1}{n} \right] \quad \text{---} \quad (1)$$

$$\begin{aligned}\pi \cot(\pi z) &= \frac{1}{z} + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left[ \frac{1}{z - n} + \frac{1}{n} \right] + \sum_{n=-1}^{-\infty} \left[ \frac{1}{z - n} + \frac{1}{n} \right] \quad \text{Guided by: Dr. Amir Mahmood} \\ &= \frac{1}{z} + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left[ \frac{1}{z - n} + \frac{1}{n} \right] + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left[ \frac{1}{z + n} - \frac{1}{n} \right] \quad \begin{array}{l} \text{by replacing } n \\ \text{by } -n \text{ in second} \\ \text{summation} \end{array} \\ &= \frac{1}{z} + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left[ \frac{1}{z - n} + \frac{1}{n} + \frac{1}{z + n} - \frac{1}{n} \right] \quad \because (-1)^{-n} = \frac{1}{(-1)^n} = (-1)^n, \forall n \in \mathbb{Z} \\ &= \frac{1}{z} + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left[ \frac{1}{z - n} + \frac{1}{z + n} \right] = \frac{1}{z} + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{2z}{z^2 - n^2}\end{aligned}$$

$$\Rightarrow \cot(\pi z) = \frac{1}{\pi z} + \frac{1}{\pi} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{2z}{z^2 - n^2} \quad \text{is the required expansion of } \cot(\pi z)$$

From (1), we have:  $\pi \cot(\pi z) = \frac{1}{z} + \sum'_{n=-\infty} \left[ \frac{1}{z - n} + \frac{1}{n} \right]$

Differentiating above equation (on both sides) with respect to "z", we get

$$-\pi^2 \operatorname{cosec}^2(\pi z) = -\frac{1}{z^2} + \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} \left[ -\frac{1}{(z-n)^2} \right]$$

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$$\Rightarrow -\frac{\pi^2}{\sin^2(\pi z)} = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} \left[ -\frac{1}{(z-n)^2} \right], \quad \text{where the term } -\frac{1}{z^2} \text{ corresponds to } n=0 \text{ in the summation sign.}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{\pi^2}{\sin^2(\pi z)} = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{1}{(z-n)^2}$$

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Replace  $z$  by  $z - 1/2$  in (2), we get

$$\frac{\pi^2}{\sin^2(\pi z - \pi/2)} = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{1}{(z - 1/2 - n)^2} \Rightarrow \frac{\pi^2}{\cos^2(\pi z)} = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{1}{(z - n - 1/2)^2}$$

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