

Take  $f(z) = 1/z^2$ , squares  $C_N$  as in the Lemma. By CRT:

$$\left| \int_{C_N} \frac{\cot \pi z}{z^2} dz \right| = 2\pi i \sum \text{Res} = 2\pi i \left( -\pi/3 + \sum_{n=-N}^N \frac{1}{\pi n^2} \right) \quad (\text{Cover-Up Rule}).$$

By ML: as  $\cot \pi z$  is bounded ( $= O(1)$ ) on the  $C_N$ ,  $1/z^2 = O(1/N^2)$  on the  $C_N$ , and the  $C_N$  have length  $O(N)$ ,

$$\left| \int_{C_N} \frac{\cot \pi z}{z^2} dz \right| = O(1) \cdot O(1/N^2) \cdot O(N) = O(1/N) \rightarrow 0 \quad (N \rightarrow \infty).$$

Combining, we get

$$-\frac{\pi}{3} + \frac{2}{\pi} \sum_{n=1}^N 1/n^2 \rightarrow 0 \quad (N \rightarrow \infty) : \quad \zeta(2) := \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} 1/n^2 = \pi^2/6. \quad //$$

Similarly,

$$\zeta(4) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} 1/n^4 = \pi^4/90.$$

*Proof.*

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\cot \pi z}{z^4} &= \frac{\cos \pi z}{z^4 \sin \pi z} = \frac{1 - \frac{\pi^2 z^2}{2} + \frac{\pi^4 z^4}{24} \dots}{z^4 \left( \pi z - \frac{\pi^3 z^3}{6} + \frac{\pi^5 z^5}{120} \dots \right)} \\ &= \frac{1}{\pi z^5} \left( 1 - \frac{\pi^2 z^2}{2} + \frac{\pi^4 z^4}{24} \dots \right) \cdot \left( 1 - \frac{\pi^2 z^2}{6} + \frac{\pi^4 z^4}{120} \dots \right)^{-1} \\ &= \frac{1}{\pi z^5} \left( 1 - \frac{\pi^2 z^2}{2} + \frac{\pi^4 z^4}{24} \dots \right) \cdot (1 - \{\dots\})^{-1}, \end{aligned}$$

say. Since  $(1 - \{\dots\})^{-1} = 1 + \{\dots\} + \{\dots\}^2 + \dots$ , the last factor on the RHS is

$$1 + \frac{\pi^2 z^2}{6} - \frac{\pi^4 z^4}{120} + \frac{\pi^4 z^4}{36} + \dots = 1 + \frac{\pi^2 z^2}{6} + \pi^4 z^4 \left( \frac{1}{36} - \frac{1}{120} \right) = 1 + \frac{\pi^2 z^2}{6} + \pi^4 z^4 \frac{7}{360},$$

neglecting terms beyond  $z^4$ . So multiplying up the last two brackets on the RHS, we get three terms in  $z^4$ , each of which will contribute to the residue (coefficient of  $1/z$ ), in view of the  $z^{-5}$  factor. This gives

$$\text{Res}_0 \frac{\cot \pi z}{z^4} = \text{coefficients of } 1/z \text{ on RHS} = \frac{1}{\pi} \cdot \pi^4 \left( \frac{7}{360} + \frac{1}{24} - \frac{1}{12} \right) = \dots = -\frac{\pi^3}{45}.$$

As before:

$$-\frac{\pi^3}{45} + \frac{2}{\pi} \sum_{n=1}^N 1/\pi^4 \rightarrow 0 \quad (N \rightarrow \infty) : \quad \zeta(4) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} 1/n^4 = \pi^4/90. \quad //$$

## 8. Expansion of a meromorphic function.

*Example.*

$$f(z) = \operatorname{cosec} z - \frac{1}{z} = \frac{1}{\sin z} - \frac{1}{z}.$$

Simple pole at  $z = n\pi$ ,  $N \neq 0$ . For  $z = n\pi + \zeta$ ,

$$f(z) = \frac{1}{\sin(n\pi + \zeta)} - \frac{1}{n\pi + \zeta} = \frac{(-1)^n}{\sin \zeta} - \frac{1}{n\pi + \zeta} \sim \frac{(-1)^n}{\zeta} \quad (\zeta \rightarrow 0) :$$

$$\operatorname{Res}_{n\pi} f = (-1)^n, \quad n \neq 0.$$

At  $n = 0$ ,

$$f(z) = \frac{z - \sin z}{z \sin z} = \frac{z - \left(z - \frac{z^3}{6} \dots\right)}{z \left(z - \frac{\pi^3}{6} \dots\right)} = \frac{\frac{1}{6}z^3 + \dots}{z^2 \left(1 - \frac{z^2}{6} \dots\right)} \sim \frac{z}{6} \rightarrow 0 \quad (z \rightarrow 0) :$$

no singularity, so no residue.

Recall (III.7 – see Lecture 30 and Handout) that as  $\operatorname{cosec} \pi z$  is bounded on the squares  $C_N$  with vertices  $(N + \frac{1}{2})(\pm 1 \pm i)$ ,  $\operatorname{cosec} z$  is bounded on the squares  $\Gamma_N$  with vertices  $(N + \frac{1}{2})\pi(\pm 1 \pm i)$ . Consider

$$I_N(z) := \int_{\Gamma_N} \frac{f(w)}{w(w-z)} dw = \int_{\Gamma_N} \frac{\operatorname{cosec} w - \frac{1}{w}}{w(w-z)} dw.$$

$$\left| \int_{\Gamma_N} \frac{\operatorname{cosec} w}{w(w-z)} dw \right| = O(1).O(1/N^2).O(N) = O(1/N) \rightarrow 0 \quad (N \rightarrow \infty)$$

$$\left| \int_{\Gamma_N} \frac{\frac{1}{w}}{w(w-z)} dw \right| = O(1/N).O(1/N^2).O(N) = O(1/N^2) \rightarrow 0.$$

So  $I_N(z) \rightarrow 0$  as  $N \rightarrow \infty$ . By CRT:

$$I_N(z) = 2\pi i \sum \operatorname{Res} \frac{\operatorname{cosec} w - 1/w}{w(w-z)},$$

over the singularities inside  $\Gamma_N$ . For fixed  $z$ ,  $z$  is *inside*  $\Gamma_N$  for large enough  $N$ . By the Cover-Up rule:

$$Res_z = \frac{\operatorname{cosec} z - 1/z}{z}, \quad Res_0 = \frac{\operatorname{cosec} w - 1/w}{w(w-z)} = 0.$$

For  $n \neq 0$ ,

$$Res_{n\pi} = \frac{(-1)^n}{n\pi(n\pi - z)} = \frac{(-1)^n}{(-z)} \left( \frac{1}{n\pi} - \frac{1}{n\pi - z} \right) = -\frac{(-1)^n}{z} \left( \frac{1}{z - n\pi} + \frac{1}{n\pi} \right).$$

So

$$I_N(z) = 2\pi i \left\{ - \sum_{n=-N, n \neq 0}^N \left[ \frac{(-1)^n}{z} \left( \frac{1}{z - n\pi} + \frac{1}{n\pi} \right) \right] + \frac{\operatorname{cosec} z - 1/z}{z} \right\} \rightarrow 0.$$

We can cancel  $2\pi i/z$ . Then replace  $\sum_{n=-N, n \neq 0}^N = \sum_{-N}^{-1} + \sum_1^N$  by  $\sum_1^N \{\dots + \dots\}$ : the  $1/(n\pi)$  and  $-1/(n\pi)$  cancel, and

$$\frac{1}{z - n\pi} + \frac{1}{z + n\pi} = \frac{2z}{z^2 - n^2\pi^2}.$$

We obtain

$$\operatorname{cosec} z = \frac{1}{z} + 2z \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n}{z^2 - n^2\pi^2} = \frac{1}{z} + 2z \sum_{\text{even}} - 2z \sum_{\text{odd}}. \quad (i)$$

Similarly,

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

In Lecture 32 (lost because of the end of term), we start with (i) and (ii), integrate, and obtain the infinite products for  $\sin$ ,  $\cos$  and  $\tan$ . These give extensions to entire functions of the Fundamental Theorem of Algebra, displaying a polynomial as a product of linear factors vanishing at its roots. From these, we can obtain  $\zeta(2) = \pi^2/6$ ,  $\zeta(4) = \pi^4/90$  and Wallis's product for  $\pi$  (again).