

Part B

Complex Asymptotics

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ASYNPTOTICS

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N! for N=2,...,50

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$$\left(\frac{N}{e}\right)^N \sqrt{2\pi N} \left(1 + \frac{1}{12N}\right) + \dots$$

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Real analysis?

Some functions are too complicated to be expanded

e.g. = TRAINS

Some GF's are not even explicit

e.g. = unlabelled, non-plane trees

$$U(z) = z \exp(U(z) + \frac{1}{2} U(z^2) + \frac{1}{3} U(z^3) + \dots)$$

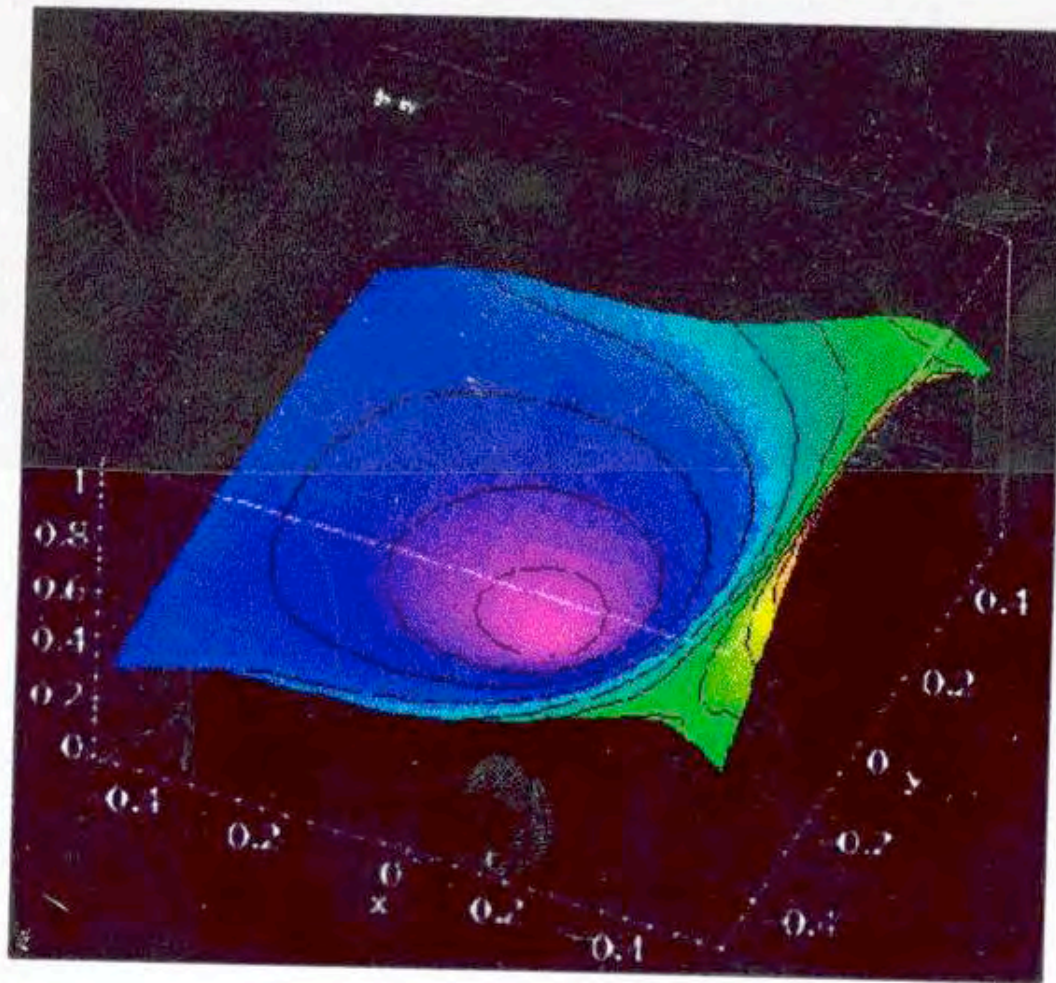
"Universality" phenomena are not apparent

- schemas applying to wide classes
- limit laws shared by — —

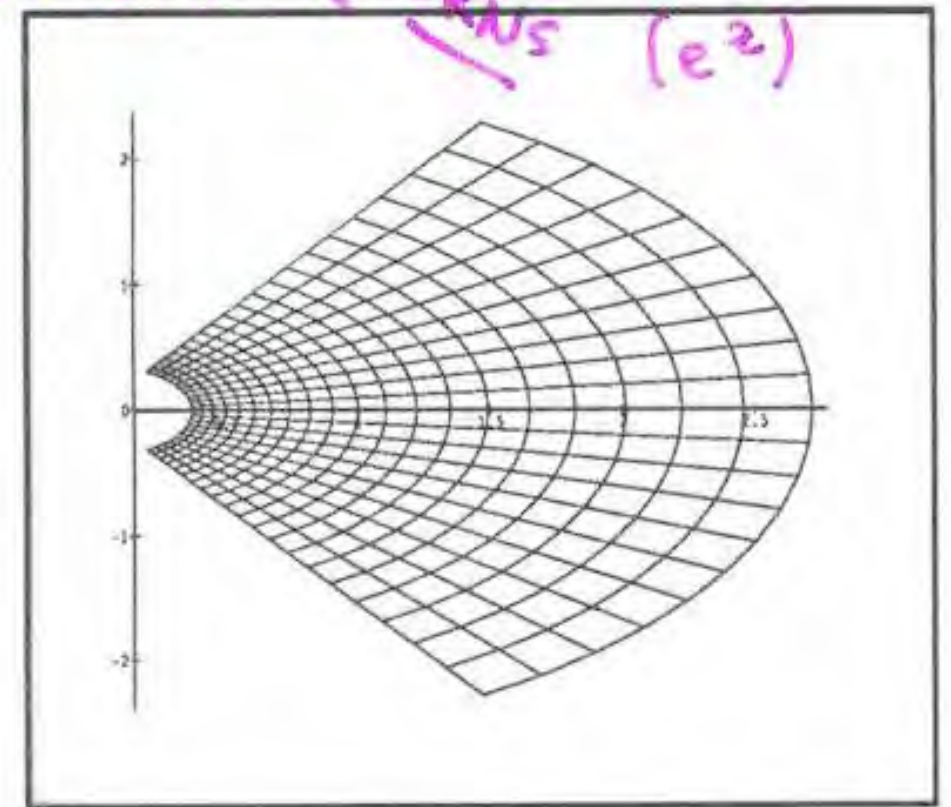
PRINCIPLE: Assign to the variable (z) complex values \Rightarrow

View a GF as a geometric transformation
from $\mathbb{C} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$

Modules
of
GF of
balanced
trees



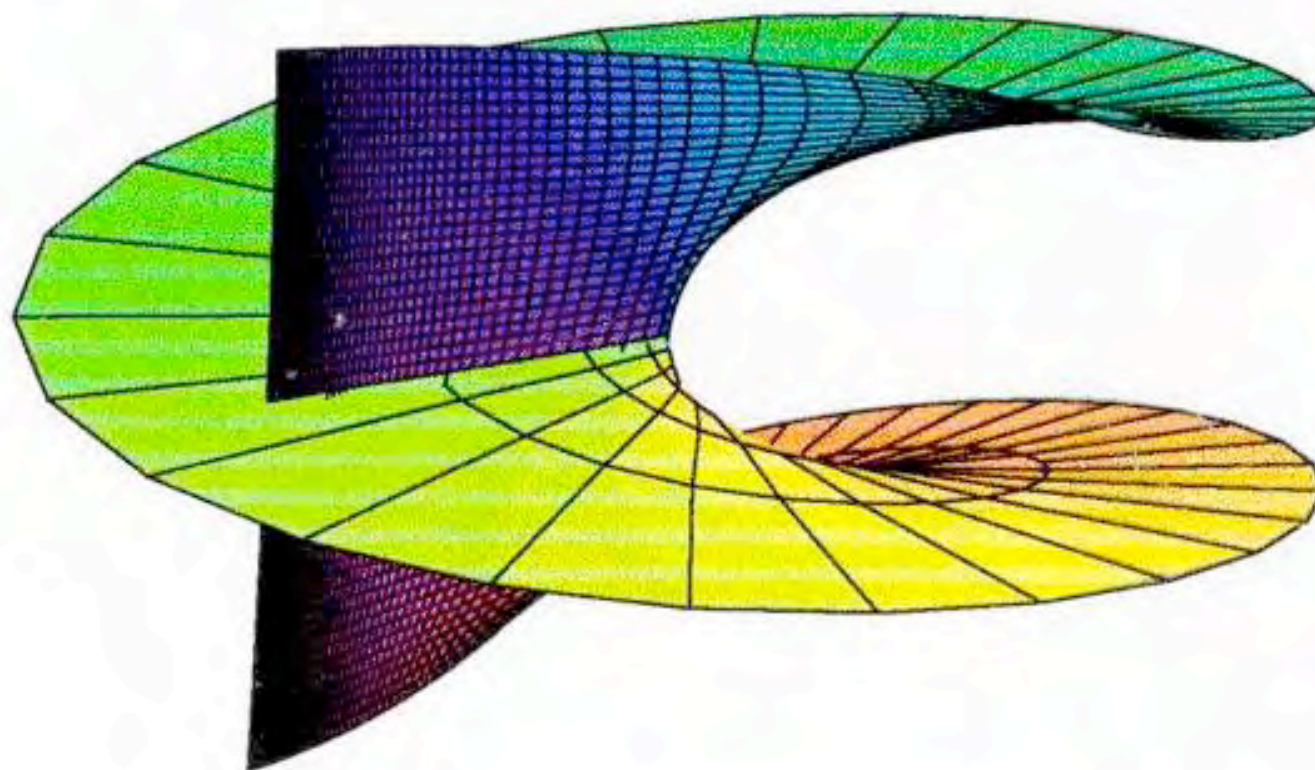
THE EGF of $U_{\text{BUS}}(e^z)$



(Catalan GF)

SINGULARITIES MATTER!

The $\sqrt{-}$ -
Singularity
of the
OGF
of binary
trees.



CHAPTER

4 ANALYTIC FUNCTIONS

GFs are (usually) **analytic** functions near 0.

- **Analytic** aka holomorphic functions
- Meromorphic functions
- Integrals and residues
- **Singularities** and exponential growth orders

Let $f(z)$ be defined from D (open connected set) to E :



Definition. • $f(z)$ is analytic at z_0 iff locally: $f(z) = \sum_{n \geq 0} c_n (z - z_0)^n$.

• $f(z)$ is complex differentiable iff

$$\exists \lim_{h \rightarrow 0, h \in \mathbb{C}} \frac{f(z_0 + h) - f(z_0)}{h} =: f'(z_0) \equiv \left. \frac{d}{dz} f(z) \right|_{z=z_0}.$$

$\leadsto f$ analytic/ differentiable in Ω , etc.

Theorem. Equivalence between the two notions!

Combinatorialists love power series; analysts love differentiability!

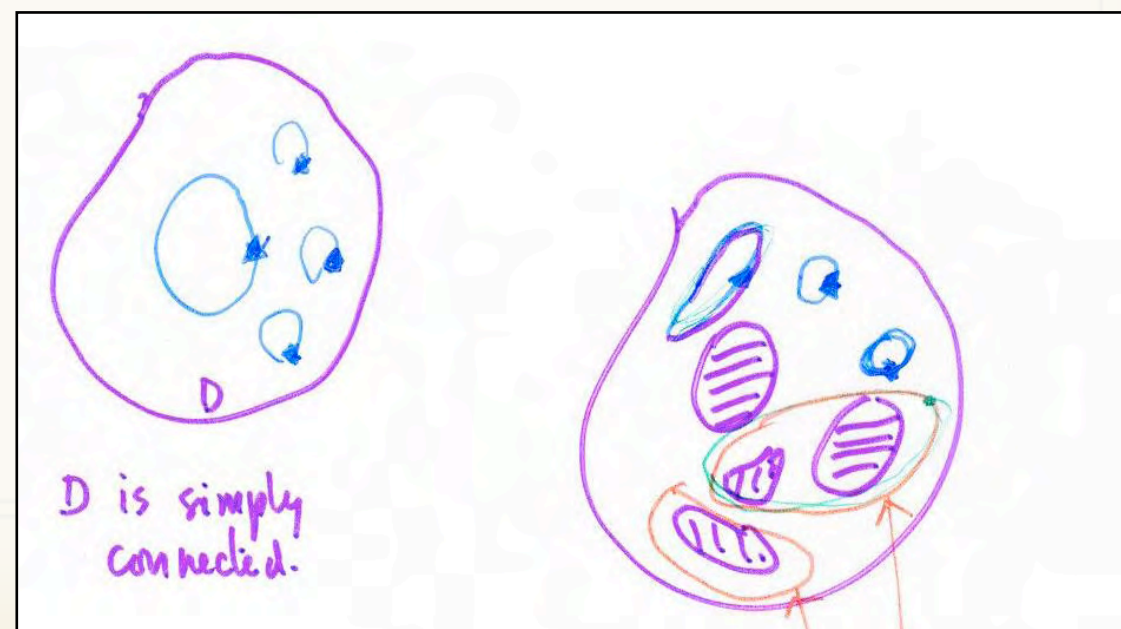
$\frac{\Delta f}{\Delta z}$ gives closure under $+$, $-$, \times , \div , composition, inversion, &c.

Integration and residues

Theorem. Let f be analytic in Ω and γ be contractible to a single point in Ω . Then

$$\int_{\gamma} f(z) dz = 0.$$

In particular $\int_A^B f(z) dz$ does not depend on path.



Definition. $g(z)$ is *meromorphic* in Ω iff near any z_0 , one has $g(z) = \frac{A(z)}{B(z)}$, with A, B analytic.

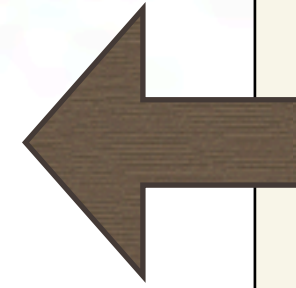
A point z_0 such that $B(z_0) = 0$ is a *pole*. Its *order* is the multiplicity of z_0 as root of B (assume $A(z_0) \neq 0$).

Pole of order m : $g(z) = \frac{c_{-m}}{(z - z_0)^m} + \cdots + \frac{c_{-1}}{(z - z_0)} + c + 0 + \cdots$.

c_{-1} is called *residue* of $g(z)$ at z_0 .

Cauchy's Residue Theorem. If $f(z)$ has poles, then

$$\frac{1}{2i\pi} \int_{\gamma} f(z) dz = \sum \text{Residues}.$$



Proof: local integration +



Cauchy's Coefficient Theorem.

$$\text{coeff}[z^n] f(z) = \frac{1}{2i\pi} \int_{\gamma} f(z) \frac{dz}{z^{n+1}}$$



Proof: by residues:

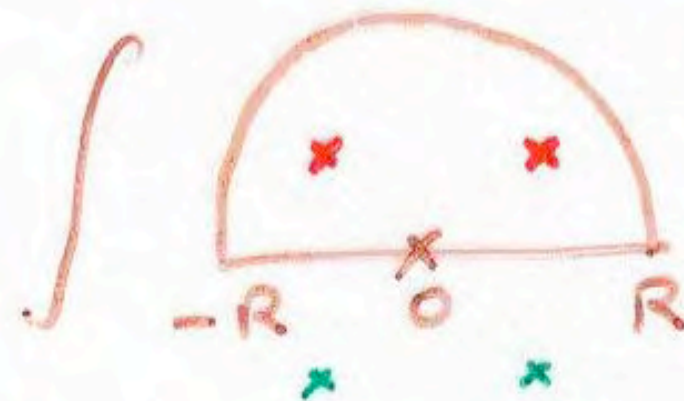


Complex analysis: LOCAL vs GLOBAL

■ Computing integrals global \leadsto local !!!

$$\int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} \frac{dx}{1+x^4}$$

$$= \lim_{R \rightarrow \infty}$$



$$= 2i\pi \sum$$

$$\zeta \in \{e^{i\pi/4}, e^{3i\pi/4}\}$$

$$\text{Res}\left(\frac{1}{1+x^4}; \zeta\right)$$

$$= \frac{\pi\sqrt{2}}{2}$$

Complex analysis: coeffs at 0 \sim elsewhere

- Estimating coefficients: $d_n := \mathbb{P}[\text{derangement}]$ over \mathcal{P}_n .

$$d_n = [z^n] \frac{e^{-z}}{1-z} = \frac{1}{2i\pi} \int_{|z|=1/2} \frac{e^{-z}}{1-z} \frac{dz}{z^{n+1}}.$$

Evaluate **instead** on $|z| = 2$:

$$\begin{aligned} J_n &= \frac{1}{2i\pi} \int_{|z|=2} \frac{e^{-z}}{1-z} \frac{dz}{z^{n+1}} = O(2^{-n}) \\ &= \text{Res}_{z=0} + \text{Res}_{z=1} = d_n - e^{-1}. \end{aligned}$$

Thus: $d_n = e^{-1} + O(2^{-n})$.

Exercise: Double derangement: $[z^n] e^{-z-z^2/2}/(1-z)$. Generalize!

singularity

■ $f(z)$ has a SINGULARITY at border point σ iff

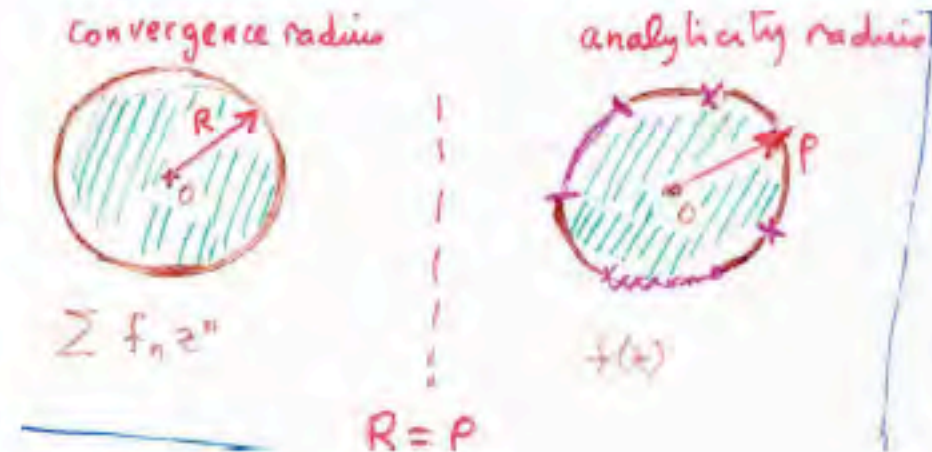
$\nexists \Omega' \supset \Omega, \{\sigma\}$



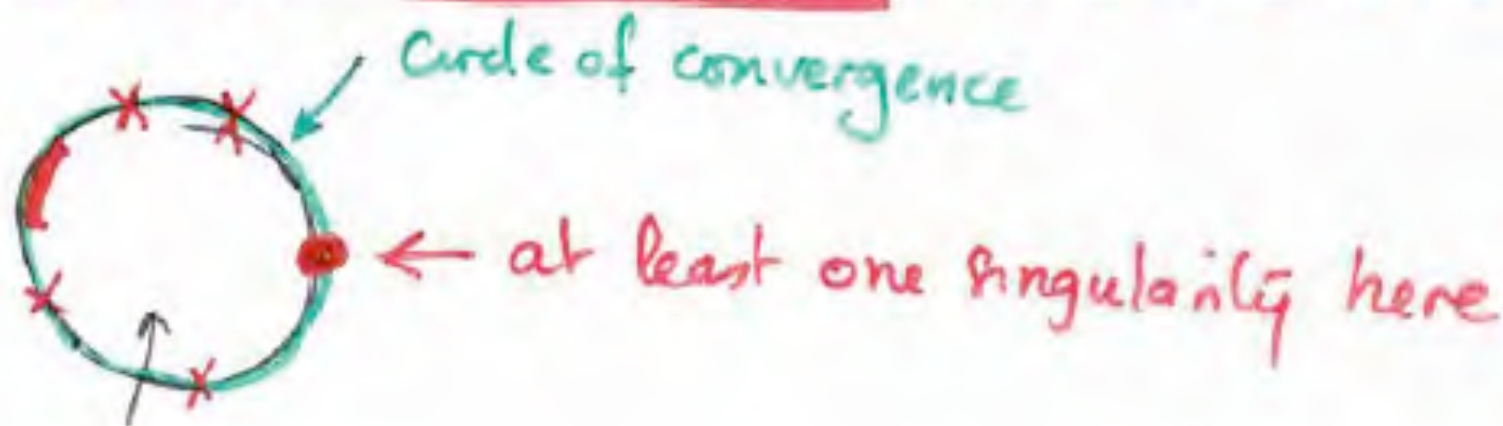
e.g: $f(\sigma) = \infty$, $f'(\sigma) = \infty$, + other causes

Theorem. A series always has at least one singularity on its circle of convergence (but none inside).

Convergence radius \equiv Analyticity radius:



Pringsheim's Theorem. If $f_n \geq 0$, one such singularity is positive.



Exponential growth of coefficients

$$f_n(R - \epsilon)^n \rightarrow 0; \quad f_n(R + \epsilon)^n \text{ is unbounded.}$$

That is $\limsup |f_n|^{1/n} = \frac{1}{R}$, or

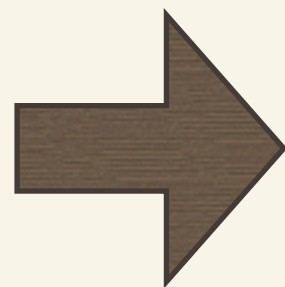
$$f_n = R^{-n} \vartheta(n), \quad \text{where } \vartheta(n) \text{ is "subexponential".}$$

Also write $f_n \asymp R^{-n}$ with $R := \text{distance to nearest sing(s).}$

Find exponential growth by just "looking" at GF!!

Once you find the singularities nearest to the origin, you know the exponential growth of the function's coefficients.

Exponential order of coeffs is computable:



$$\rho(f+g) = \min(\rho(f), \rho(g))$$

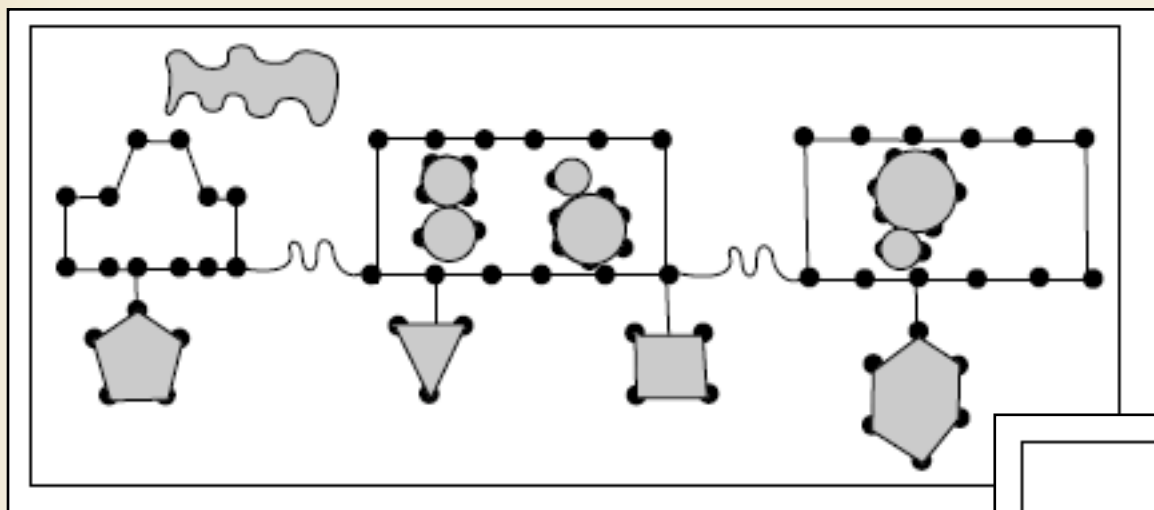
$$\rho(f \times g) = \min(\rho(f), \rho(g))$$

$$\rho\left(\frac{1}{1-f}\right) = \min(\rho(f), \{|z| \mid f(z)=1\})$$

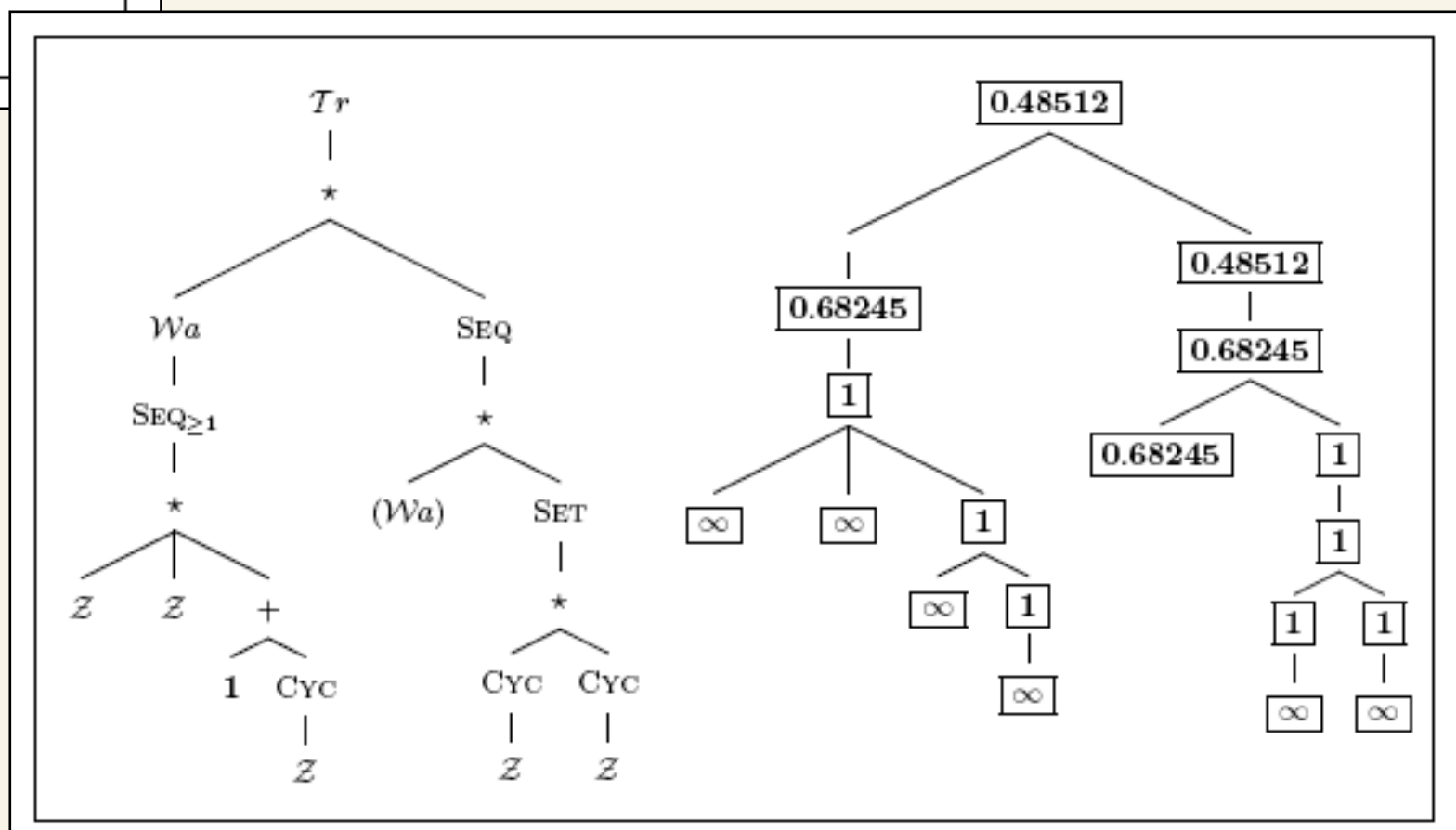
$$\rho(e^f) = \rho(f)$$

$$\rho\left(\log \frac{1}{1-f}\right) = \rho\left(\frac{1}{1-f}\right)$$

+ Recursive structures can be approached
via Implicit function theorem.



TRAINS



$$Tr(z) = \frac{z^2 (1 + \log((1 - z)^{-1}))}{(1 - z^2 (1 + \log((1 - z)^{-1})))} \left(1 - \frac{z^2 (1 + \log((1 - z)^{-1})) e^{(\log((1 - z)^{-1}))^2}}{1 - z^2 (1 + \log((1 - z)^{-1}))} \right)^{-1},$$

Chapter 5

Rational and Meromorphic Asymptotics

Find **subexponential factors** in

$$f_n \asymp R^{-n}, \quad \text{meaning} \quad f_n = R^{-n} \vartheta(n),$$

where $\vartheta(n)$ is like n^α , $(\log n)^\beta$, $e^{\sqrt{n}}$, etc.

Here: simple case of **Rat** & **Mero**.

Coefficients of rational functions

Theorem. Each pole ζ with multiplicity r contributes to coefficients a term

$$\zeta^{-n} P(n),$$

where $P(n)$ is a polynomial of degree $r - 1$.

Proof. $[z^n] \frac{1}{(z - \zeta)^r} = (-\zeta)^{-r} \binom{n + r - 1}{r - 1} \zeta^{-n}.$

Poles are arranged in order of increasing modulus. Dominant ones matter for exponential growth. Multiplicities give polynomial factors.



Example 1. Denumerants.



$$D(z) = \frac{1}{1-z^{s_1}} \times \frac{1}{1-z^{s_2}} \times \dots \times \frac{1}{1-z^{s_m}}$$

Poles at various roots of unity w/order $< m$
at $z=1$ with order exactly m

$$D_n \equiv [z^n] D(z) \sim [z^n] \frac{1}{(1-z)^m} \frac{1}{\prod s_j}$$

Schur:

$$\sim \frac{n^{m-1}}{(m-1)!} \times \frac{1}{\prod s_j}$$

Example 2. Longest b -runs in strings. (cf Feller)

bbb \boxed{abb} \boxed{ab} \boxed{a} \boxed{abbbb}

$$\begin{aligned} & \text{SEQ}_{<m}(b) \times \text{SEQ}(a \text{ SEQ}_{<m}(b)) \\ & \frac{1 - z^m}{1 - z} \times \frac{1}{1 - z \frac{1 - z^m}{1 - z}} = \frac{1 - z}{1 - 2z + z^{m+1}}. \end{aligned}$$

$$\frac{1 - z^m}{1 - 2z + z^{m+1}}$$

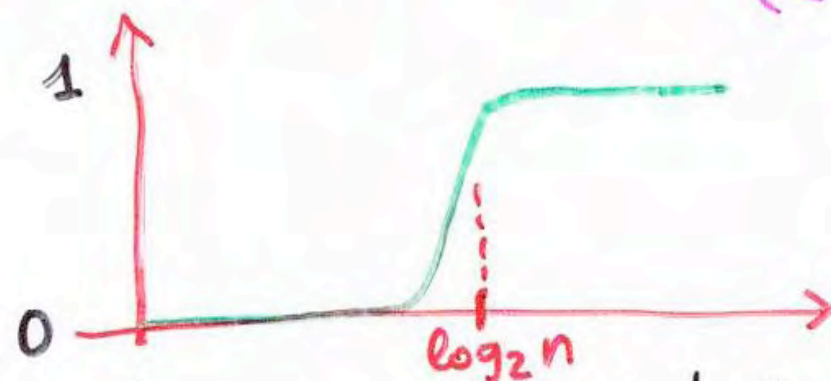
► Dominant pole at $\rho_m \approx \frac{1}{2}$

$$\rho_m \approx \frac{1}{2} \left(1 + \left(\frac{1}{2} \right)^{m+1} \right)$$

► Check error from dominant pole is good
by

$$\int |z| = 3/4$$

$$\Pr(\text{Longest run} \leq m) \approx \left(\frac{1}{2\rho_m} \right)^n \approx e^{-n/2^{m+1}}$$



Guibas - Odlyzko: Correlation Polynomials

Normality of strings; longest repeated substring...

Coefficients of meromorphic functions

Theorem

EACH POLE ζ WITH MULTIPLICITY r CONTRIBUTES
A TERM

$$\zeta^{-n} P(n) \text{ with } \deg(P) = r-1$$

AND ERROR TERM $O(R^{-n})$

Proof: 1) Let $h(z)$ gather contributions of poles.
Then $[g(z) - h(z)]$ is analytic in $|z| \leq R$
Cauchy coeff. formula + trivial bounds
2) Estimate $\frac{1}{2\pi i} \int g$ on $|z| = R$ by residues.

Worked out Example: *derangements*

$$\mathcal{D} = \text{Set}(\text{Cycle}(Z, \text{card} \geq 2))$$

$$D(z) = \exp\left(\log \frac{1}{1-z} - z\right)$$

$$D(z) = \frac{e^{-z}}{1-z}$$

$$D(z) \sim \frac{e^{-1}}{1-z} \quad \text{at singularity } z=1$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{D_n}{n!} \sim [z^n] \frac{e^{-1}}{1-z} = e^{-1}$$

Prop. A perm is a derangement with probability $e^{-1} = 0.345\dots$

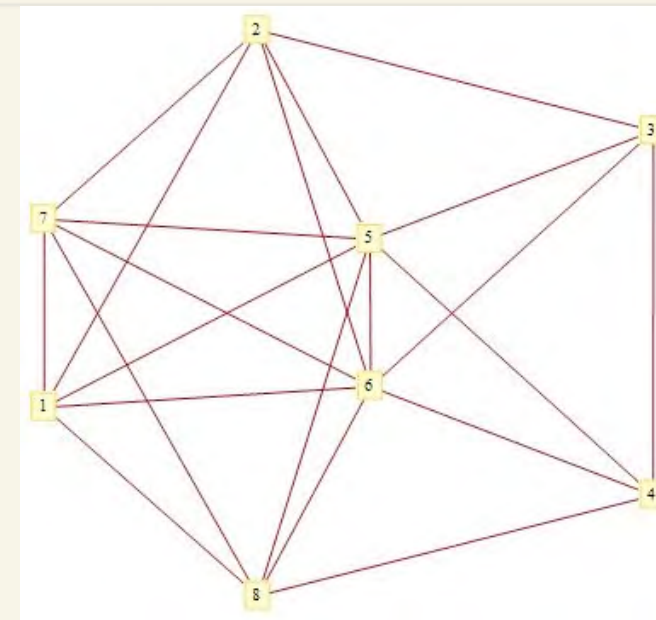
■ Generalized derangements \mathcal{D}^*

$$D^*(z) = \frac{e^{-z - \frac{z^2}{2}}}{1-z}$$

$$\frac{D_n^*}{n!} \sim e^{-3/2}$$

in general, get

proba $\sim e^{-H_k}$ of all cycles
of length $> k$.



Example 4. Paths-in-graphs models.

Encapsulates **finite automata** and finite **Markov chains**. GFs are **rational**.

If the graph Γ is *strongly connected* and *aperiodic*, then there is uniqueness and simplicity of dominant pole (\ll Perron-Frobenius): $f_n \sim c\rho^{-n}$.

Generalized patterns in random strings (F, Nicodème, Régnier, Salvy, Szpankowski, Vallée, &c).

Example 5. Surjections and Supercritical SEQ Schema.

Random surjection \equiv ordered partition (pref. arrangement)

$$\mathcal{R} = \text{SEQ}(\text{SET}_{\geq 1}(\mathcal{Z})) \quad \implies R(z) = \frac{1}{2 - e^z}.$$

Pole at $\zeta = \log 2$; subdominant ones at $\zeta = \log 2 \pm 2ik\pi$, etc.

$$\frac{R_n}{n!} \sim c(\log 2)^{-n}.$$

Also, mean number of blocks via $\frac{1}{1 - u(e^z - 1)}$ is $O(n)$. There is concentration, etc.

Any supercritical sequence should similarly behave \leadsto schema.

APPLICATION: Supercritical schema (sequences)

Assume $\mathcal{F} = \text{Seq}(G) \Rightarrow F(z) = \frac{1}{1-G(z)}$

H₁: $G(z)$ reaches 1 before it becomes singular

(H₂: The schema is aperiodic: $F_n \gg 0$ for all $n \geq n_0$.)

Then

$$F_n \sim C \cdot p^{-n}$$

$$p = G^{(-1)}(1)$$

Also: number of G -components in random \mathcal{F} -structure has

mean $\sim \mu n$; variance $\sim \sigma^2 n \Rightarrow$ concentration

SCHEMA

Chapter 6

Singularity Analysis

- Singularities more general than poles.
- Subexponential factors more general than polynomials:

$$f_n \sim R^{-n} \vartheta(n),$$

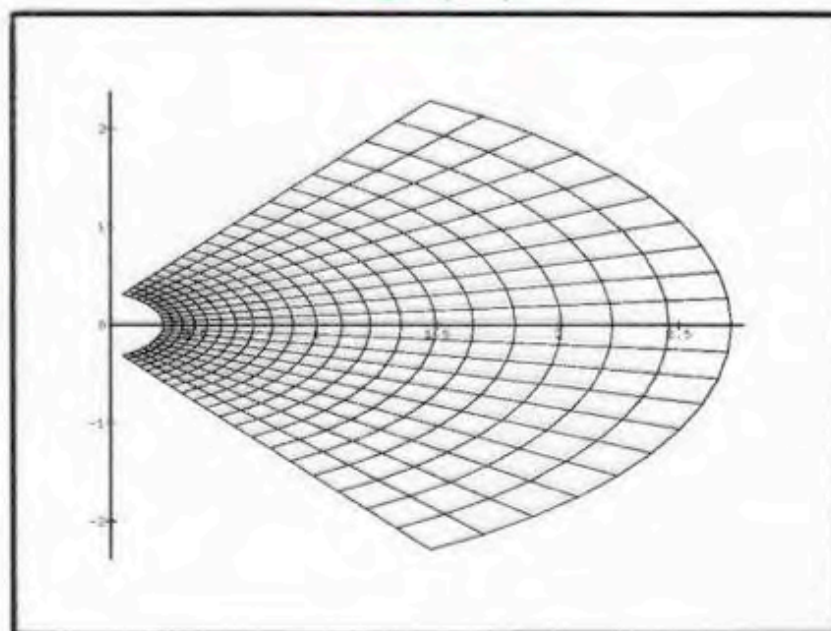
with $\vartheta(n)$ of the form $n^\alpha (\log n)^\beta$.

Note: May assume singularity at 1 by scaling $[z^n]f(\lambda z) = \lambda^n [z^n]f(z)$.

Regular point

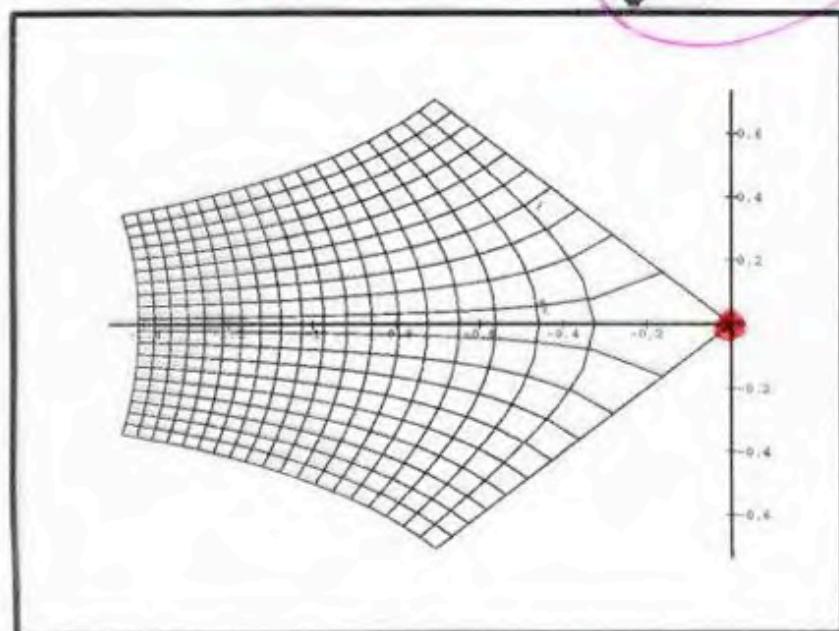
$$f(z) \approx f(z_0) + f'(z_0)(z - z_0)$$

$\exp(z)$

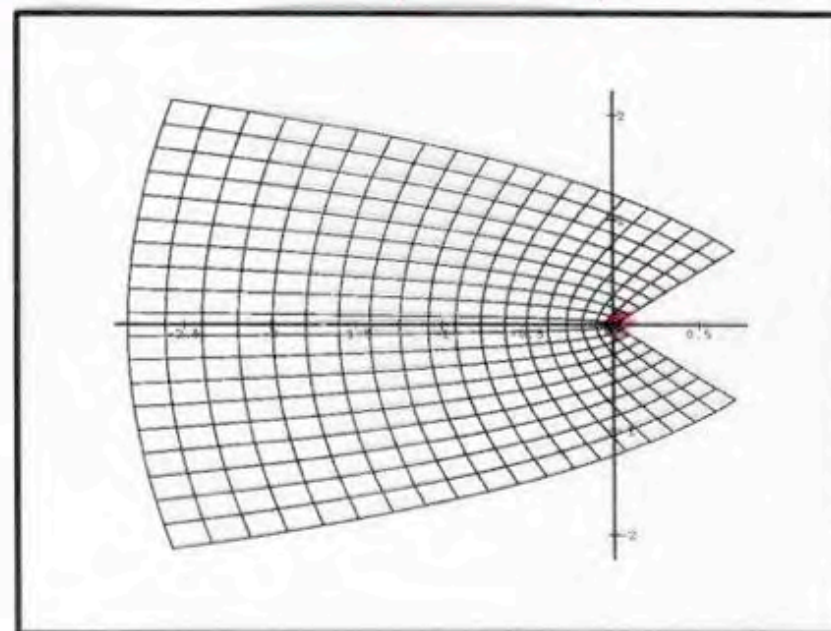


Singular point

$$-\sqrt{1-z}$$



$$-(1-z)^{3/2}$$

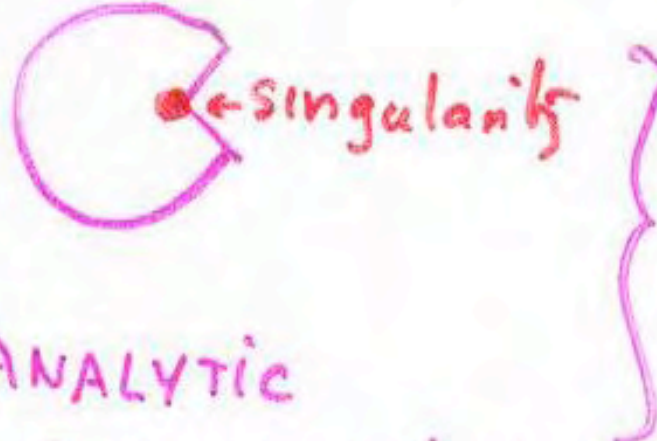


(Singularity analysis)

[F + Odlyzko, 90]

PRINCIPLE

$$f(z) \underset{[z \rightarrow 1]}{\sim} C \cdot (1 - z)^{-\alpha} \log^k \frac{1}{1 - z}$$


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$$\Rightarrow [z^n]f(z) \underset{[n \rightarrow \infty]}{\sim} C \cdot \frac{n^{\alpha-1}}{\Gamma(\alpha)} \log^k n$$

(earlier: Darboux-Pólya; Tauberian thms)

From functions to coefficients:

$$\begin{array}{llll}
 \frac{1}{(1-z)^2} & \longrightarrow & n+1 & \sim n \\
 \frac{1}{1-z} \log \frac{1}{1-z} & \longrightarrow & H_n \equiv \frac{1}{1} + \dots + \frac{1}{n} & \sim \log n \\
 \frac{1}{1-z} & \longrightarrow & 1 & \sim 1 \\
 \frac{1}{\sqrt{1-z}} & \longrightarrow & \frac{1}{2^{2n}} \binom{2n}{n} & \sim \frac{1}{\sqrt{\pi n}}
 \end{array}$$

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{ll}
 \text{Location of sing's :} & \text{Exponential factor } \rho^{-n} \\
 \text{Nature of sing's :} & \text{"Polynomial" factor } \vartheta(n)
 \end{array} \right.$$

Principles of Singularity Analysis

Larger functions tend to have larger coefficients.

- Establish this for **basic scales** $(1 - z)^{-\alpha}$. Enrich with \log 's, $\log \log$'s, etc.
- Prove **transfer theorems**. If f “resembles” g via $O(\cdot)$, $o(\cdot)$, then f_n resembles g_n .

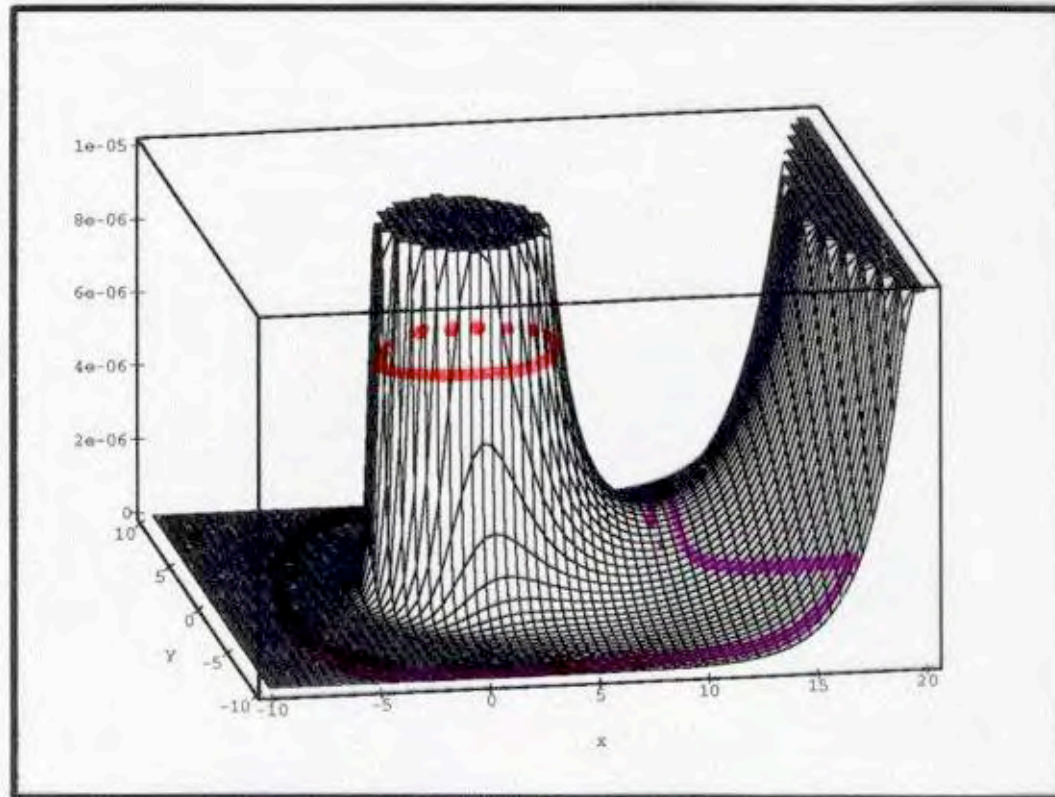
Theorem 1. Coefficients of basic scale:

$$[z^n](1 - z)^{-\alpha} \sim \frac{1}{\Gamma(\alpha)} n^{\alpha-1}.$$

Also: full expansion, log's log-log's, etc.

Gamma function: $\Gamma(s) := \int_0^\infty e^{-t} t^{s-1} dt$, with analytic continuation by $\Gamma(s+1) = s\Gamma(s)$.

$$\text{Coeff}[z^n] f(z) = \frac{1}{2i\pi} \oint f(z) \frac{dz}{z^{n+1}} \cdot (1-z)^{-\alpha}$$



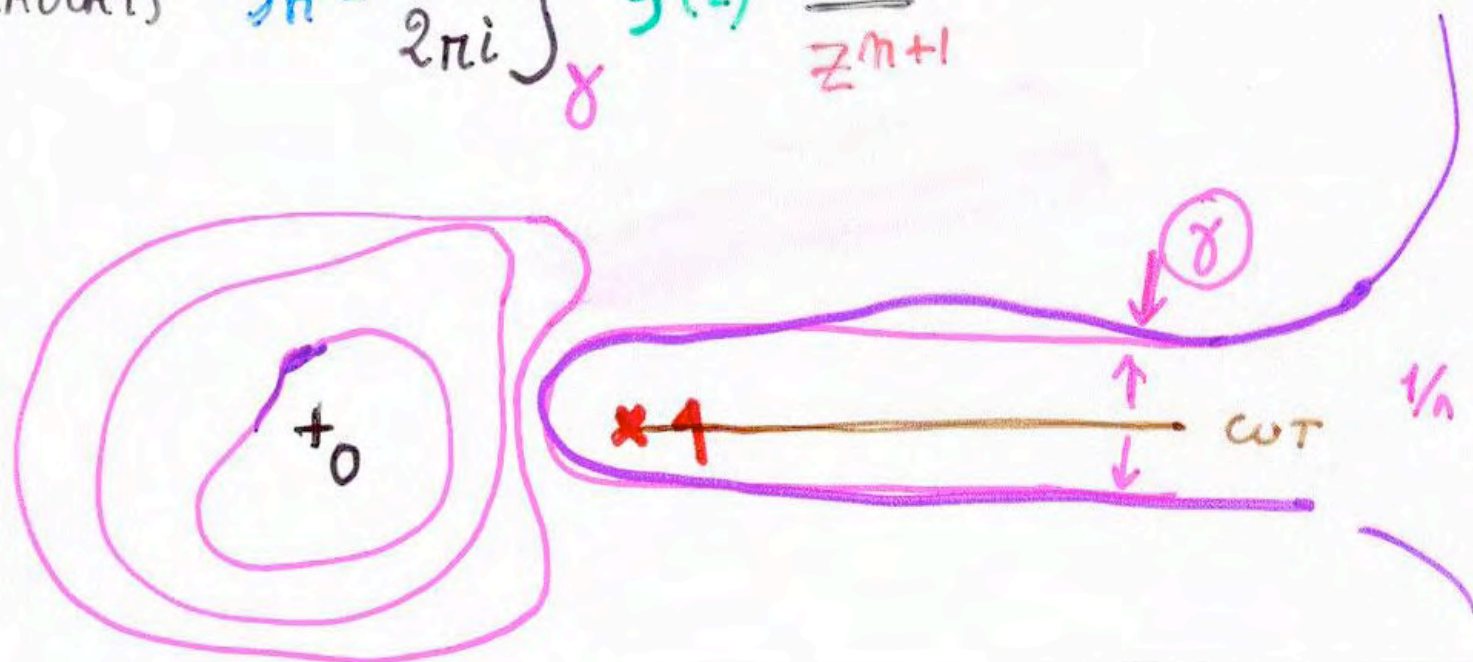
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HANKEL CONTOUR

PROOF:

$$f(z) = (1-z)^{-\alpha}, \quad \alpha \in \mathbb{C}$$

[CAUCHY] $f_n = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{\gamma} f(z) \frac{dz}{z^{n+1}}$



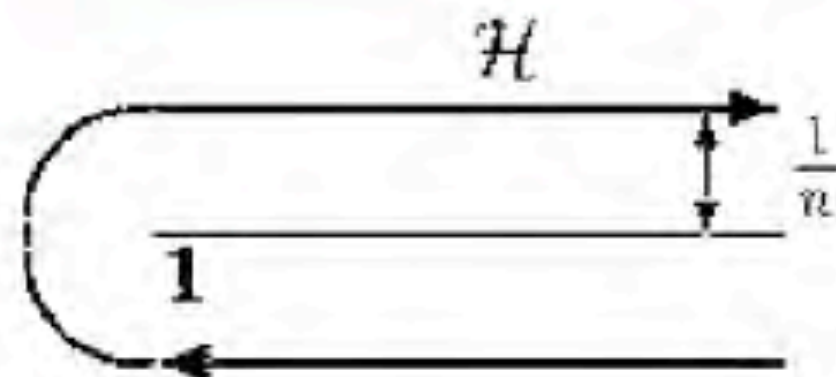
$$f(z) = (1-z)^{-\alpha}$$

$$[z^n]f(z) = \frac{1}{2i\pi} \int_{\gamma} f(z) \frac{dz}{z^{n+1}}$$

$$\Downarrow \quad \left(z = 1 + \frac{t}{n} \right) \quad \Downarrow$$

$$\frac{1}{2i\pi} \int_{\mathcal{H}} \left(-\frac{t}{n} \right)^{-\alpha} e^{-t} \frac{dt}{n}$$

$$n^{\alpha-1} \times \frac{1}{\Gamma(\alpha)}.$$



Theorem 2. Transfer of asymptotic properties.

If $f(z) = O((1-z)^{-\alpha})$ as $z \rightarrow 1$ in
a Camembert region

Then

$$\text{coeff}[z^n] f(z) = O(n^{\alpha-1})$$

* same for $\Theta(-)$; * same for log's, etc..



Proof: similarly by Hankel contours.

"ALGORITHM": * Make sure function exists
in larger region than disc.

* Expand as $z \rightarrow 1$

* Translate formally (and safely) by

THEOREMS

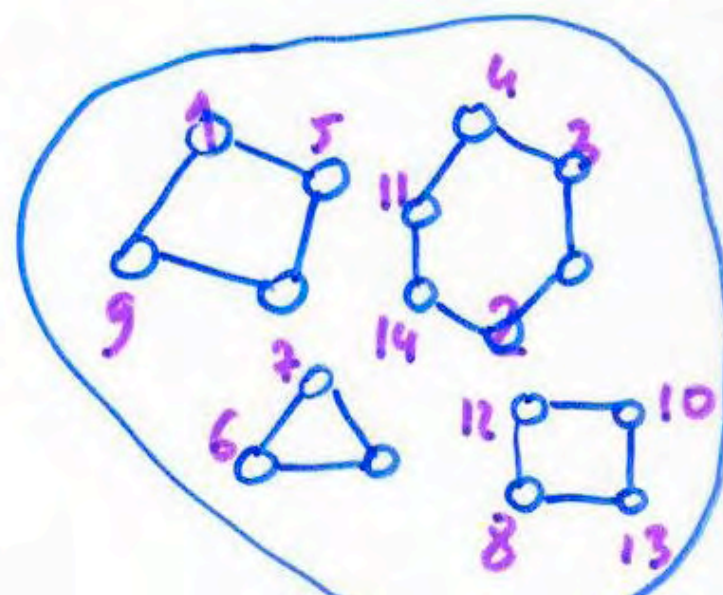
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2-regular graphs [Each node has exact degree=2]

$\mathcal{R} = \text{Set}(\text{Unordered Cycle}(Z, \text{card} \geq 3))$

$$R(z) = \exp\left(\frac{1}{2} \log \frac{1}{1-z} - \frac{z}{2} - \frac{z^2}{4}\right)$$

$$R(z) = \frac{e^{-\frac{z}{2} - \frac{z^2}{4}}}{\sqrt{1-z}}$$



By singularity analysis,

$$R(z) \sim \frac{e^{-3/4}}{\sqrt{1-z}}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{R_n}{n!} &\sim e^{-3/4} \binom{2n}{n} 4^{-n} \\ &\sim \frac{e^{-3/4}}{\sqrt{\pi n}} \end{aligned}$$

TREES (Catalan model, binary variety)

$$\mathcal{B} = \square + \mathcal{B} \begin{array}{c} \nearrow \\ \nwarrow \end{array} \mathcal{B}$$

$$B(z) = \frac{1 - \sqrt{1-4z}}{2}$$

$$\text{Sing}(\mathcal{B}) = \frac{1}{4} ; \text{ exponent : } \alpha = -\frac{1}{2} \text{ in form } (1-z)^{-\alpha}$$

$$B_n \sim \frac{1}{4\sqrt{\pi n}} 4^n.$$

- Unary binary trees.

$$T = z + zT + zT^2$$

$$\Rightarrow T = \frac{1 - z - \sqrt{1 - 2z - 3z^2}}{2z}$$

$$1 - 2z - 3z^2 = (1 - 3z)(1 + z)$$

$$\Rightarrow \sqrt{\text{singularity at } \left(\frac{1}{3}\right)},$$

$$T_n \sim c \cdot 3^n n^{-3/2} \leftarrow$$

In fact: *universality* of $n^{-3/2}$ law (later).

Example 3. Cycles in Perms.

Mean number of cycles in a random perm is $\text{coeff}[z^n]$ in

$$M(z) = \frac{\partial}{\partial u} \exp \left(u \log \frac{1}{1-z} \right) \Big|_{u \rightarrow 1} = \frac{1}{1-z} \log \frac{1}{1-z}.$$

Thus $[z^n]M(z) \sim \log n$.

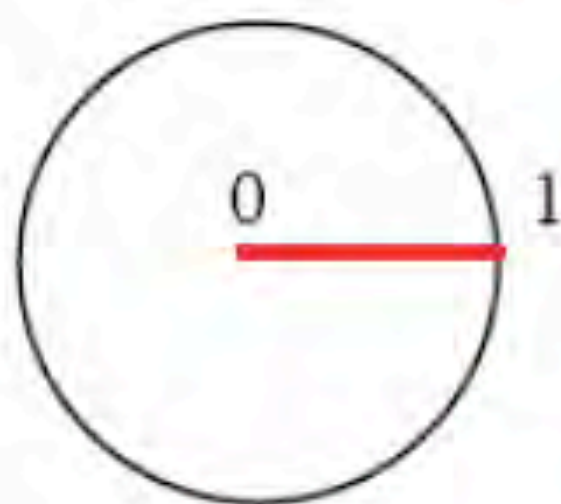
Exercise: Holds for perms with finitely many excluded cycle lengths.

In fact: *universality* for the “exp-log” schema.

Generating Function \leadsto Coefficients

Solving a “Tauberian” problem

Real-Tauberian



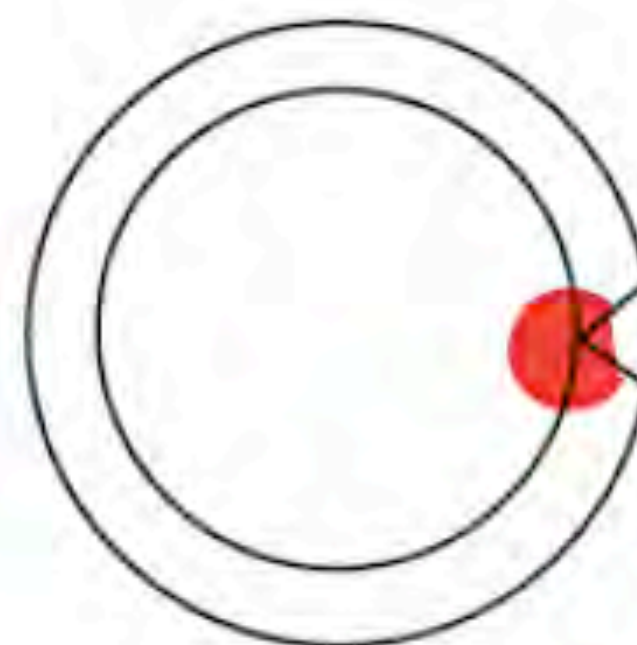
(large \implies large)

Darboux-Pólya



(smooth \implies small)

Singularity An.



(Full mappings)

+ Singularity analysis preserves uniformity \leadsto distributions.

Closures

Theorem 3. *Generalized polylogarithms*

$$\text{Li}_{\alpha,k} := \sum (\log n)^k n^{-\alpha} z^n$$

are of S.A.-type.

Theorem 4. *Functions of S.A.-type are closed under integration and differentiation.*

Theorem 5. *Functions of S.A.-type are closed under Hadamard product*

$$f(z) \odot g(z) := \sum_n (f_n g_n) z^n.$$

Chapter 7

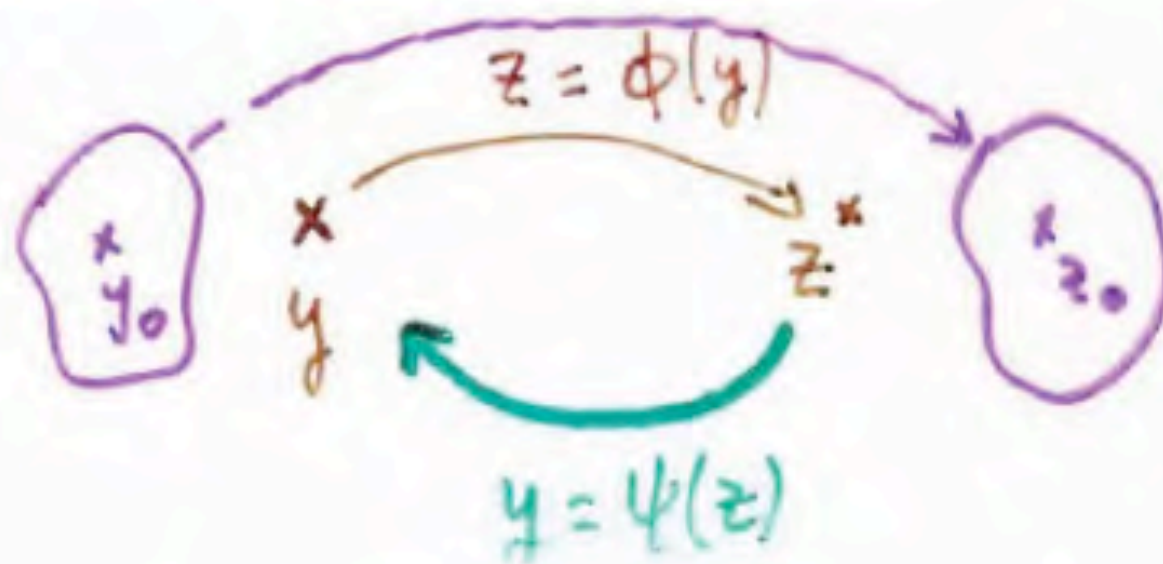
Applications of Singularity Analysis

Recursive structures

— TREES

- Universality of the $\sqrt{\cdot}$ -law for functions
- Universality of $p^{-n} n^{-3/2}$ estimate for counts

Inversion:



Inversion Theorem: ϕ is analytically invertible iff $\phi'(y_0) \neq 0$.

If not invertible
 $\phi''(y_0) \neq 0$:

$$y \mapsto z \approx y^2$$
$$y \approx \sqrt{z}$$

Square-root singularity is expected for inverse functions.

Cayley trees : $T = ze^T$ or $z = Te^{-T}$

not invertible if $\frac{d}{dT}(Te^{-T}) = (1-T)e^{-T} = 0$,

that is $T=1$; $z=e^{-1}$

square-root singularity

$$T(z) \underset{z \rightarrow e^{-1}}{\sim} 1 - \sqrt{2} \sqrt{1 - ez} + O((1 - ez))$$

$$[z^n] T(z) \sim \frac{e^n}{\sqrt{2\pi n^3}}$$

\uparrow
 $\left(= \frac{n^{n-1}}{n!} \right)$

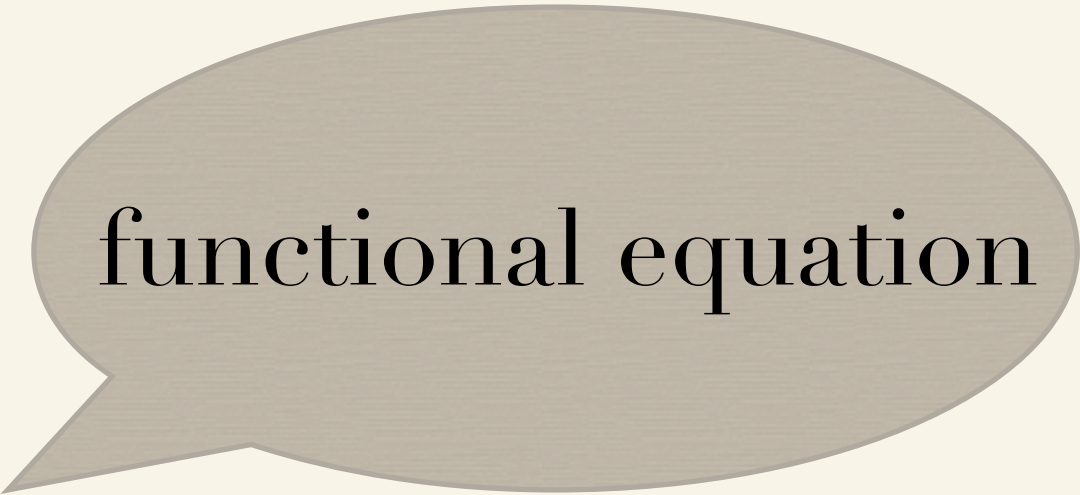
Theorem 1. Let ϕ have nonnegative coeffs and be entire. Then the function that solves

$$Y(z) = z\phi(Y(z))$$

has a square-root singularity, so that

$$[z^n]Y(z) \sim C\rho^{-n}n^{-3/2}.$$

- Characteristic equation (singular value of Y) is $\tau : \frac{d}{dy} \frac{y}{\phi(y)} = 0$, i.e., $\tau\phi'(\tau) - \phi(\tau) = 0$. Then $\rho = \frac{\tau}{\phi(\tau)}$. All is computable.
- $\sqrt{}$ -singularity propagates via suitable compositions, so that parameters can be analysed.
- Phenomena are robust.



functional equation

Example 2. Unlabelled trees. Recall

$$U(z) = ze^{U(z) + \frac{1}{2}U(z^2) + \dots}.$$

Express as T composed with an analytic function and get SQRT sing:

$U = \zeta e^U$, where $\zeta := z \exp(\frac{1}{2}U(z^2) + \dots)$.

- Using BGF's and singularities

- Meir & Moon: Path length is on average $\sim C n^{3/2}$
- F. Odlyzko: Height is on average $\sim c' n^{3/2}$
- Marckert et al.: Width is on average $\sim c'' n^{3/2}$

Height is universally $O(\sqrt{n})$ wth local and integral limit laws (of theta type). Similarly for width (Marckert et al.). Leaves are universally normally distributed, etc.

Example 3. Mappings (cyclic points).

$$\begin{cases} \text{graph:} & G = \text{Set}(K) \\ \text{connected:} & K = \text{Cyc}(\mathcal{G}) \\ \text{tree:} & \mathcal{G} = \mathcal{O} * \text{Set}(\mathcal{G}) \end{cases} \quad \begin{cases} G = e^K \\ K = \log \frac{1}{1-uT} \\ T = ze^T \end{cases}$$

Mean number of cyclic points is

$$f_n = \frac{[z^n] \partial/\partial u G|_{u=1}}{[z^n] G|_{u=1}}, \quad \leftarrow \left(G = \frac{1}{1-uT} \right)$$

Develop a theory of degree-constrained mappings: (Arney-Bender), (F.-Odlyzko).

Mean number of cyclic points is

$$h_n = \frac{[z^n] \frac{\partial}{\partial u} G|_{u=1}}{[z^n] G|_{u=1}} \quad \leftarrow G = \frac{1}{1-uz}$$

$$= \frac{[z^n] T/(1-T)^2}{[z^n] 1/(1-T)}$$

$$\sim \frac{[z^n] 2(1-ez)^{-1}}{[z^n] \sqrt{2} (1-ez)^{-1/2}}$$

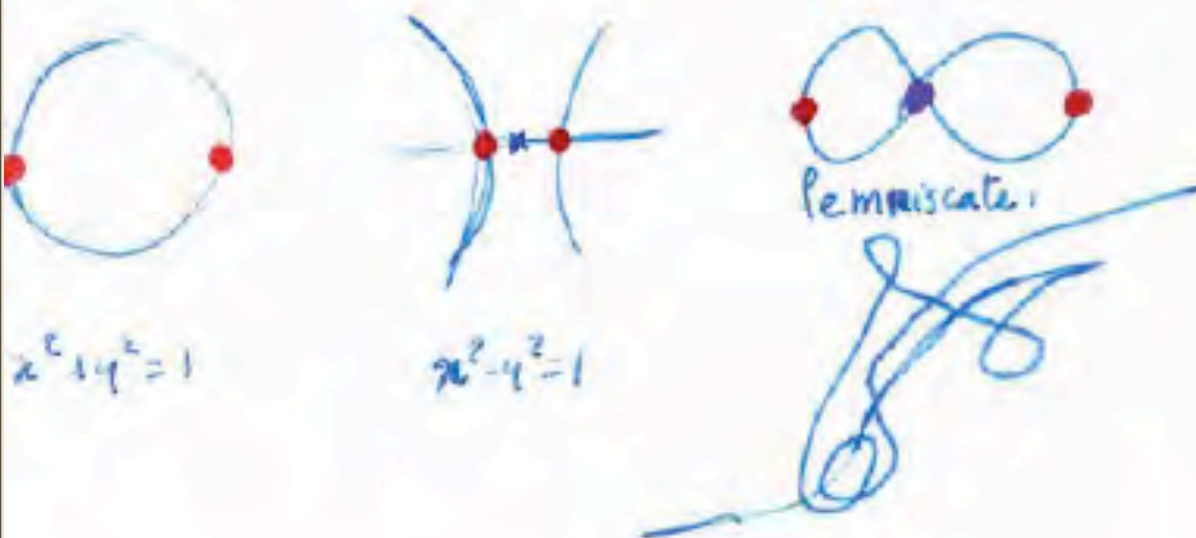
$$\leftarrow e^n n^0$$

$$\leftarrow e^n n^{-1/2}$$

$$h_n \equiv \text{Mean \# cyclic points} \sim \sqrt{\frac{\pi n}{2}}$$

Algebraic functions

Singularity analysis applies to any algebraic function



NEWTON-PUISEUX THEOREM

Around any point ξ , $y(z)$ admits a fractional power expansion

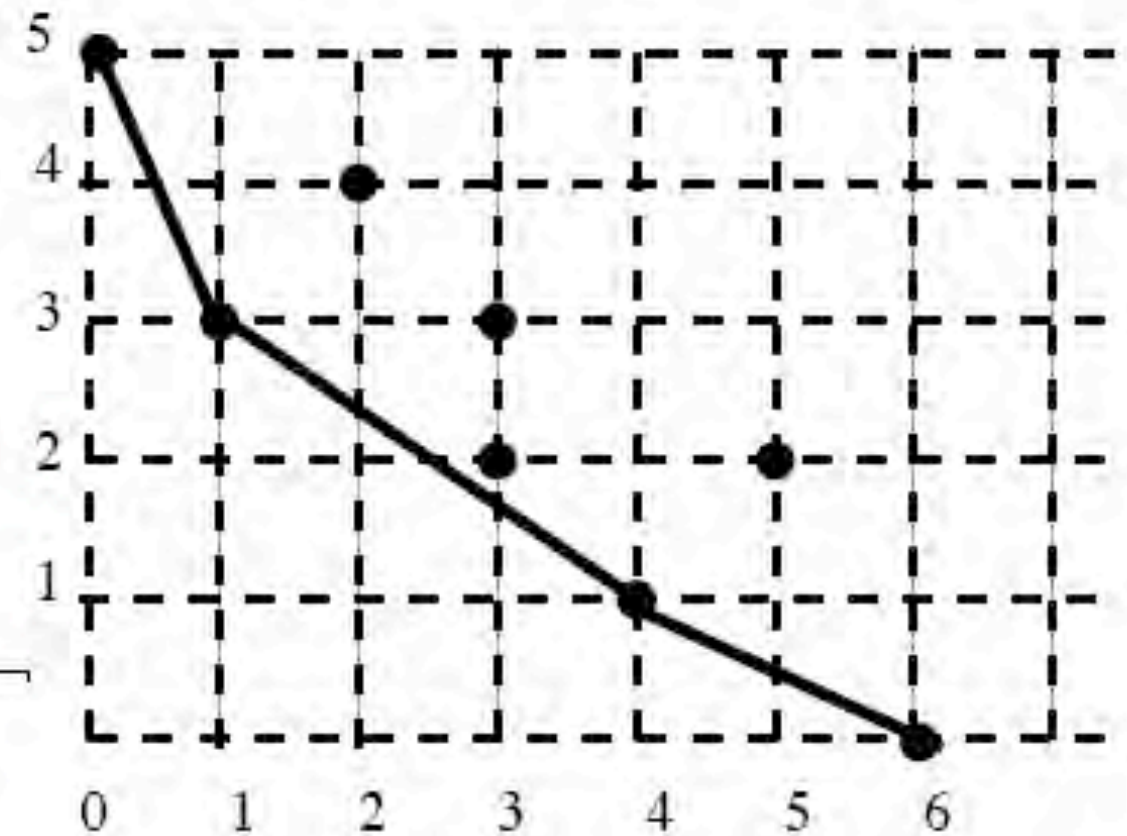
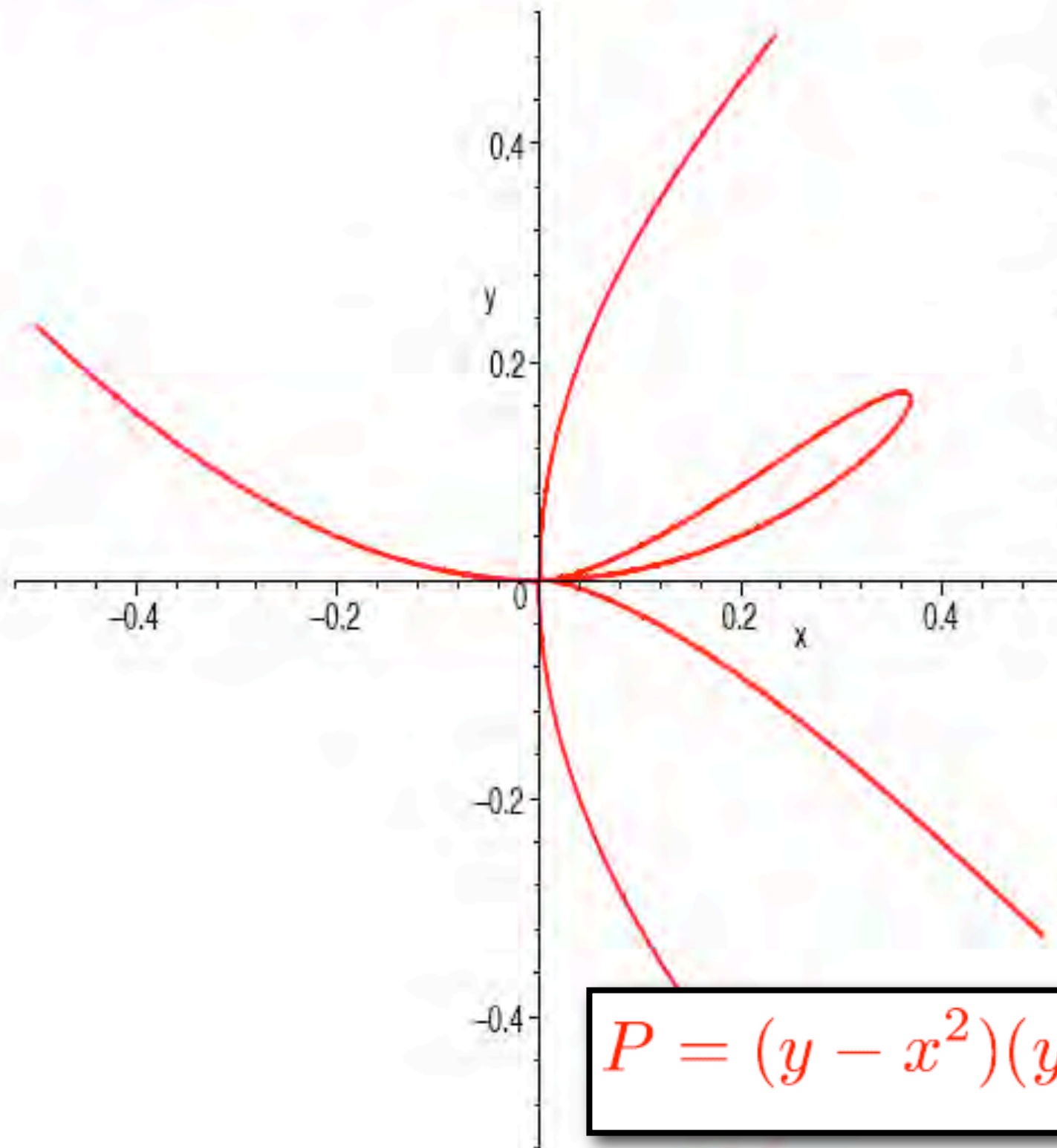
$$y(z) = \sum_{j \geq -m} c_j (z - \xi)^{\alpha_j} \quad \alpha = p/q \in \mathbb{Q}$$

Algebraic function \implies Fractional exponents @ singularities.

Theorem [Newton-Puiseux] At a singularity solutions group themselves into “cycles” that can be expanded into fractional power series (Puiseux series):

$$y(z) = H((z - z_0)^{1/r}), \quad H(w) = \sum_{j=-m}^{\infty} h_j w^j.$$

Newton diagram



$$P = (y - x^2)(y^2 - x)(y^2 - x^3) - x^3 y^3$$

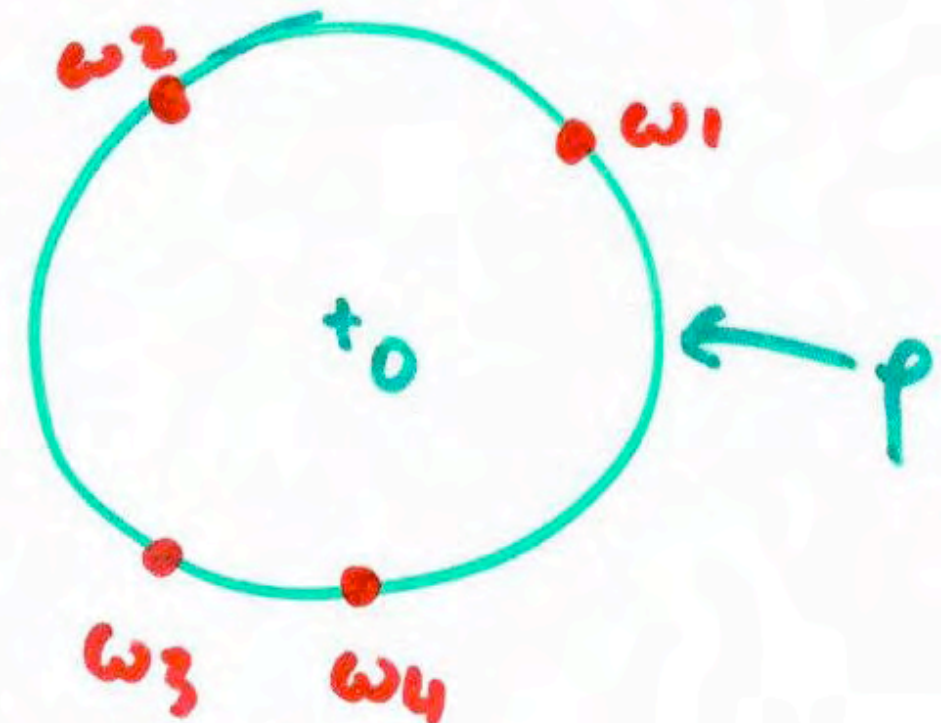
Theorem Let $f(z)$ be an alg. fun. (branch).

— One dominant singularity at α_1 :

$$f_n \sim \alpha_1^{-n} \left(\sum_{k \geq k_0} d_k n^{-1-k/\kappa} \right),$$

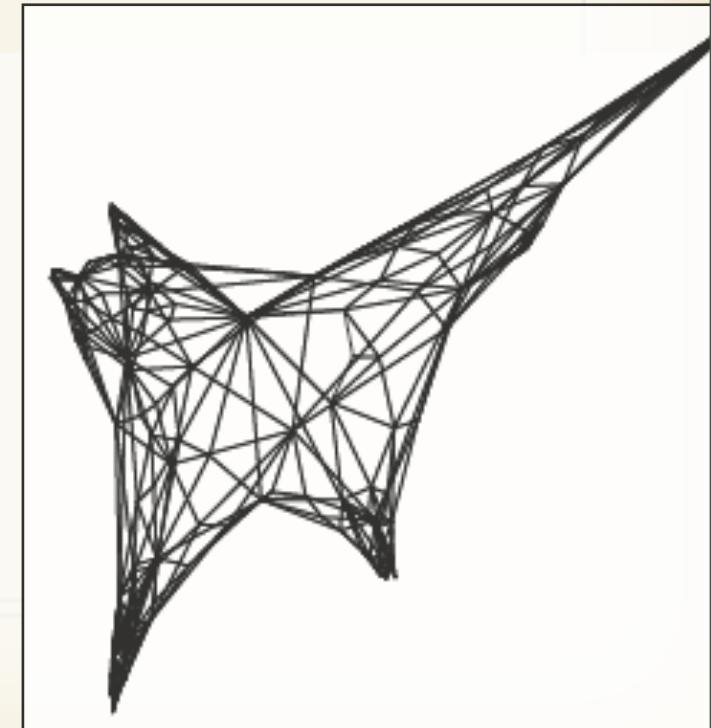
where $k_0 \in \mathbb{Z}$ and κ is an integer ≥ 2 . — Several: a finite linear combination of such plus exponentially smaller error terms.

*Exponential * n^{rational}*

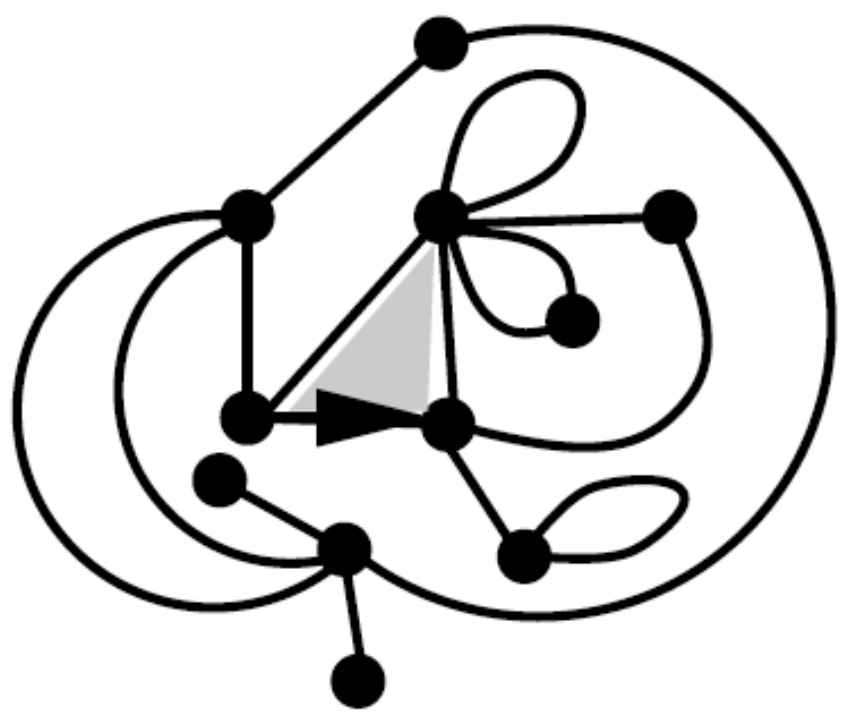


APPLICATIONS of ALGEBRAIC FUNCTIONS

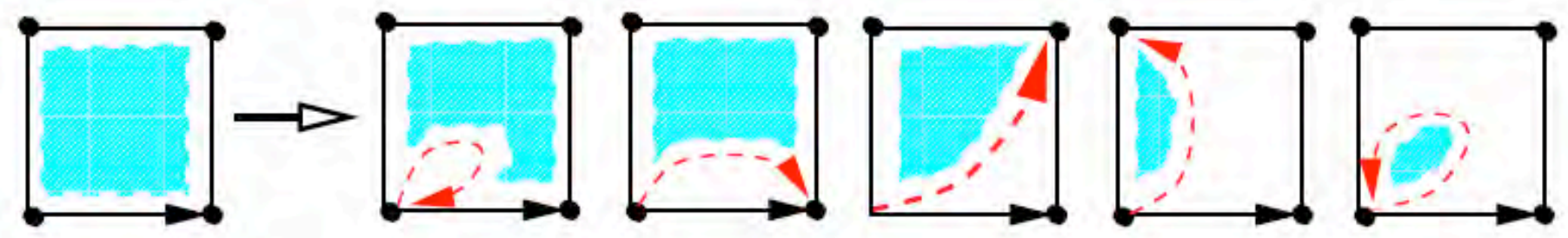
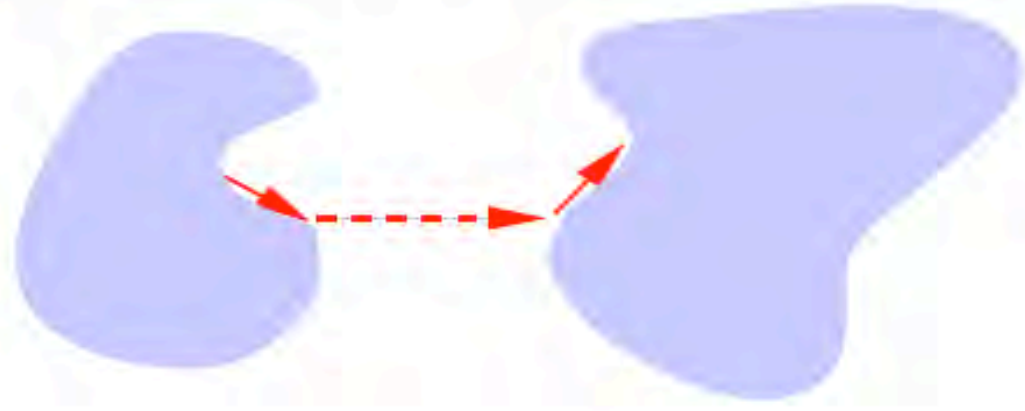
- ~ Trees with a finite set of node degrees
- ~ Excursions with finite set of steps [Lalley, BaFl]
- ~ Maps embedded into the plane [Tutte,...]
Gimenez-Noy: Planar graphs
- ~ Context-free structures =
Drmota-Lalley-Woods Thm.



Maps



$$M(z,u) = 1 + u^2 z M(z,u)^2 + uz \frac{M(z,1) - uM(z,u)}{1-z}.$$



$$u^4 \mapsto zu^5 + zu^4 + zu^3 + zu^2 + zu^1.$$

Theorem [DLW]. Assume positive irreducible system.

All y_j have same dominant singularity ρ .

\exists functions h_j analytic at the origin such that

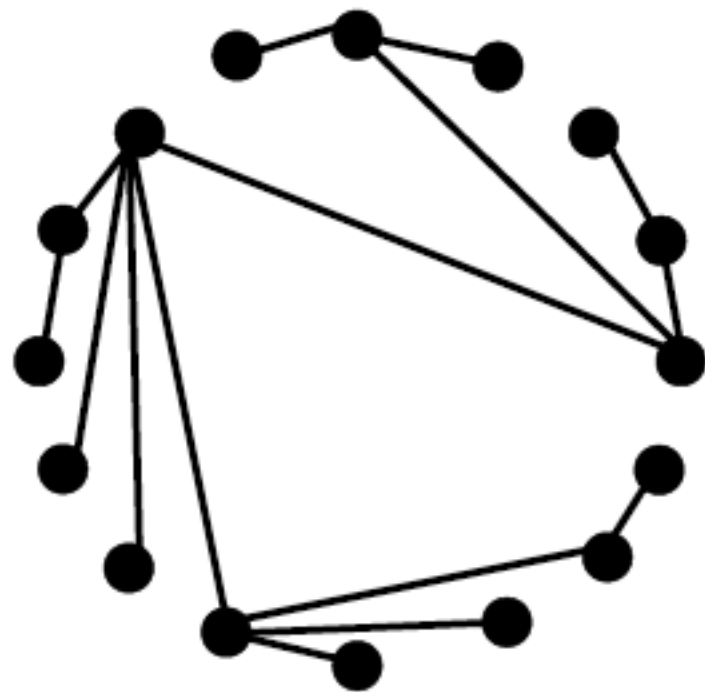
$$y_j = h_j \left(\sqrt{1 - z/\rho} \right) \quad (z \rightarrow \rho^-).$$

All other dominant sing. of the form $\rho\omega^j$, with ω root of unity—this, iff strongly periodic.

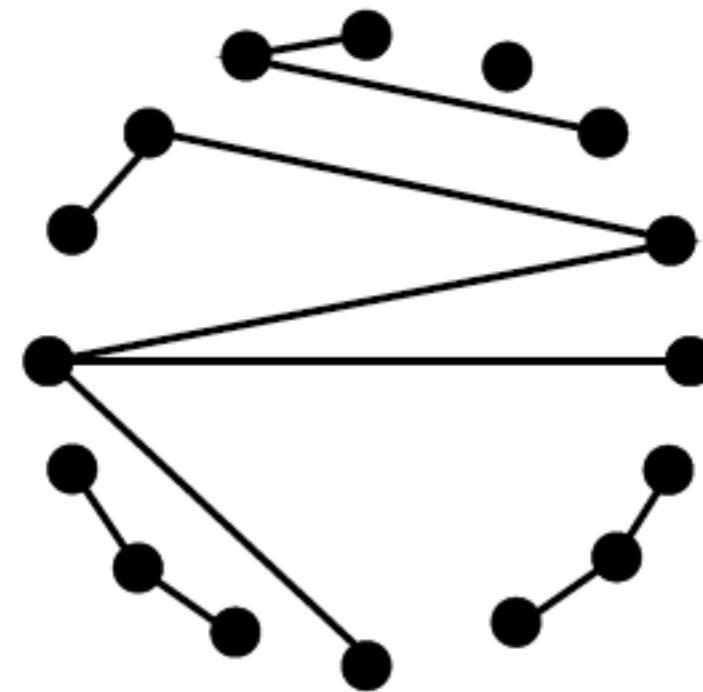
Asymptotics of the form (single sing.)

$$[z^n]y_j(z) \sim \rho^{-n} \left(\sum_{k \geq 1} d_k n^{-1-k/2} \right).$$

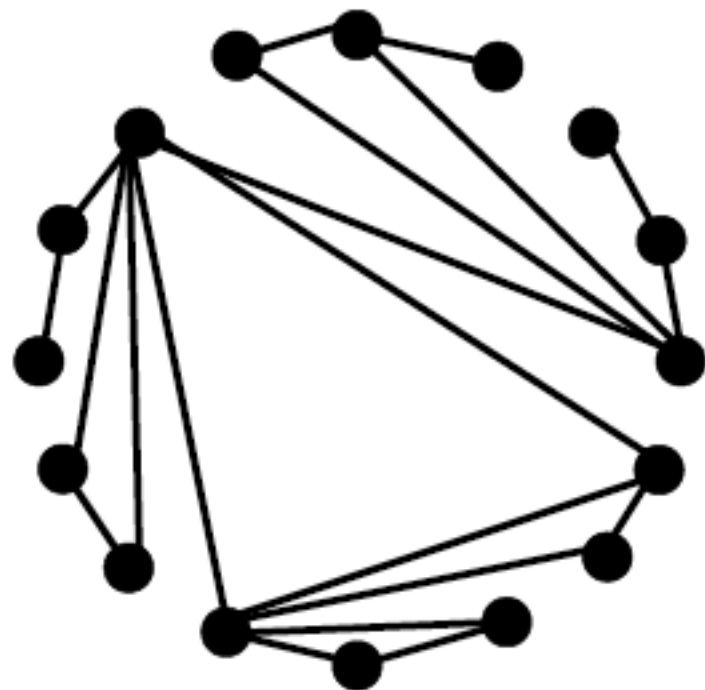
EXAMPLE. Noncrossing graphs [F.Noy, Disc. Math '99]



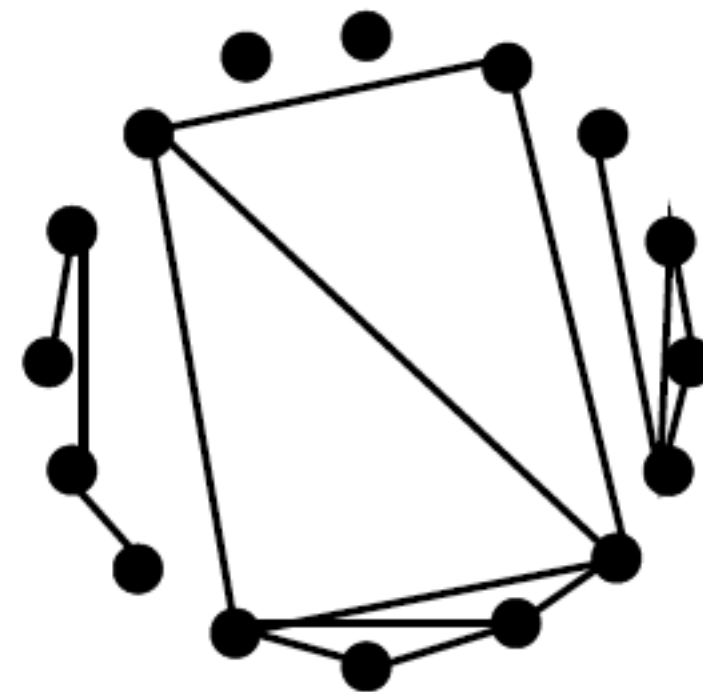
(tree)



(forest)



(connected graph)



(graph)

Configuration / OGF	Coefficients (exact / asymptotic)
<p>Trees (<i>EIS</i>: A001764)</p> $T^3 - zT + z^2 = 0$	$z + z^2 + 3z^3 + 12z^4 + 55z^5 + \dots$ $\frac{1}{2n-1} \binom{3n-3}{n-1}$ $\sim \frac{\sqrt{3}}{27\sqrt{\pi n^3}} \left(\frac{27}{4}\right)^n$
<p>Forests (<i>EIS</i>: A054727)</p> $F^3 + (z^2 - z - 3)F^2 + (z + 3)F - 1 = 0$	$1 + z + 2z^2 + 7z^3 + 33z^4 + 181z^5 + \dots$ $\sum_{j=1}^n \frac{1}{2n-j} \binom{n}{j-1} \binom{3n-2j-1}{n-j}$ $\sim \frac{0.07465}{\sqrt{\pi n^3}} (8.22469)^n$
<p>Connected graphs (<i>EIS</i>: A007297)</p> $C^3 + C^2 - 3zC + 2z^2 = 0$	$z + z^2 + 4z^3 + 23z^4 + 156z^5 + \dots$ $\frac{1}{n-1} \sum_{j=n-1}^{2n-3} \binom{3n-3}{n+j} \binom{j-1}{j-n+1}$ $\sim \frac{2\sqrt{6} - 3\sqrt{2}}{18\sqrt{\pi n^3}} (6\sqrt{3})^n$
<p>Graphs (<i>EIS</i>: A054726)</p> $G^2 + (2z^2 - 3z - 2)G + 3z + 1 = 0$	$1 + z + 2z^2 + 8z^3 + 48z^4 + 352z^5 + \dots$ $\frac{1}{n} \sum_{j=0}^{n-1} (-1)^j \binom{n}{j} \binom{2n-2-j}{n-1-j} 2^{n-1-j}$ $\sim \frac{\sqrt{140 - 99\sqrt{2}}}{4\sqrt{\pi n^3}} (6 + 4\sqrt{2})^n$

Singularity Analysis applies to

- ~ non-linear ODEs = models of “logarithmic trees”
- ~ the holonomic framework = solutions of linear ODEs with rational coefficients.

- “Holonomic” functions. Defined as solutions of linear ODE’s with coeffs in $\mathbb{C}(z)$ [Zeilberger] $\equiv \mathcal{D}$ -finite.

$$\mathcal{L}[f(z)] = 0, \quad \mathcal{L} \in \mathbb{C}(z)[\partial_z].$$

- Stanley, Zeilberger, Gessel: Young tableaux and permutation statistics; regular graphs, constrained matrices, etc.

Fuchsian case (or “regular” singularity) $(Z^\beta \log^k Z)$:

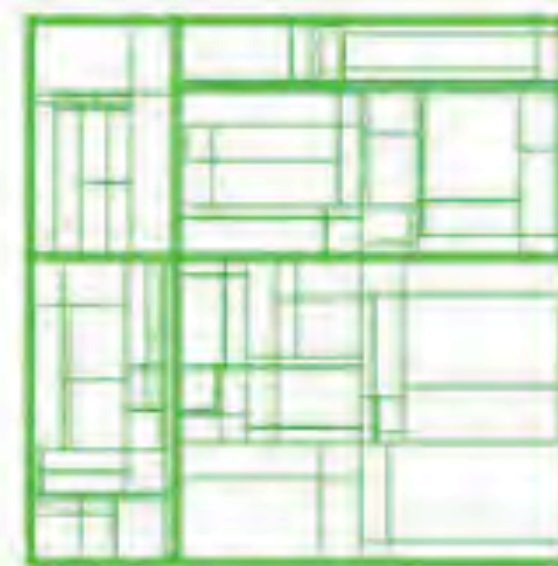
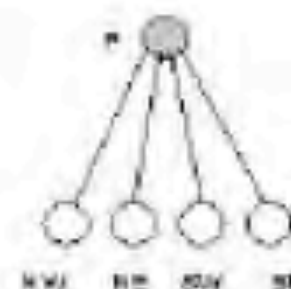
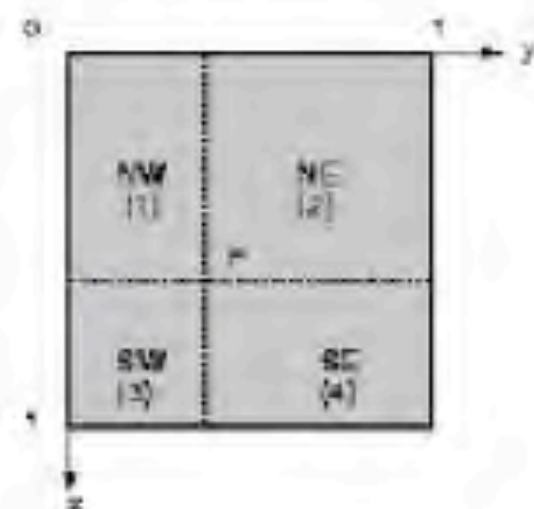
$$[z^n]f(z) \approx \sum \omega^n n^\beta (\log n)^k, \quad \omega, \beta \in \overline{\mathbb{Q}}, \quad k \in \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0}.$$

S.A. applies automatically to classical classification.

Asymptotics of coeff is decidable

- general case: modulo oracle for connection problem;
- strictly positive case: “usually” OKay.

QTrees:



EXAMPLE 6. *Quadrees—Partial Match* [FGPR'92]

Divide-and-conquer recurrence with coeff. in $\mathbb{Q}(n)$

Fuchsian equation of order d (dimension) for GF

$$Q_n^{(d=2)} \asymp n^{(\sqrt{17}-3)/2}.$$

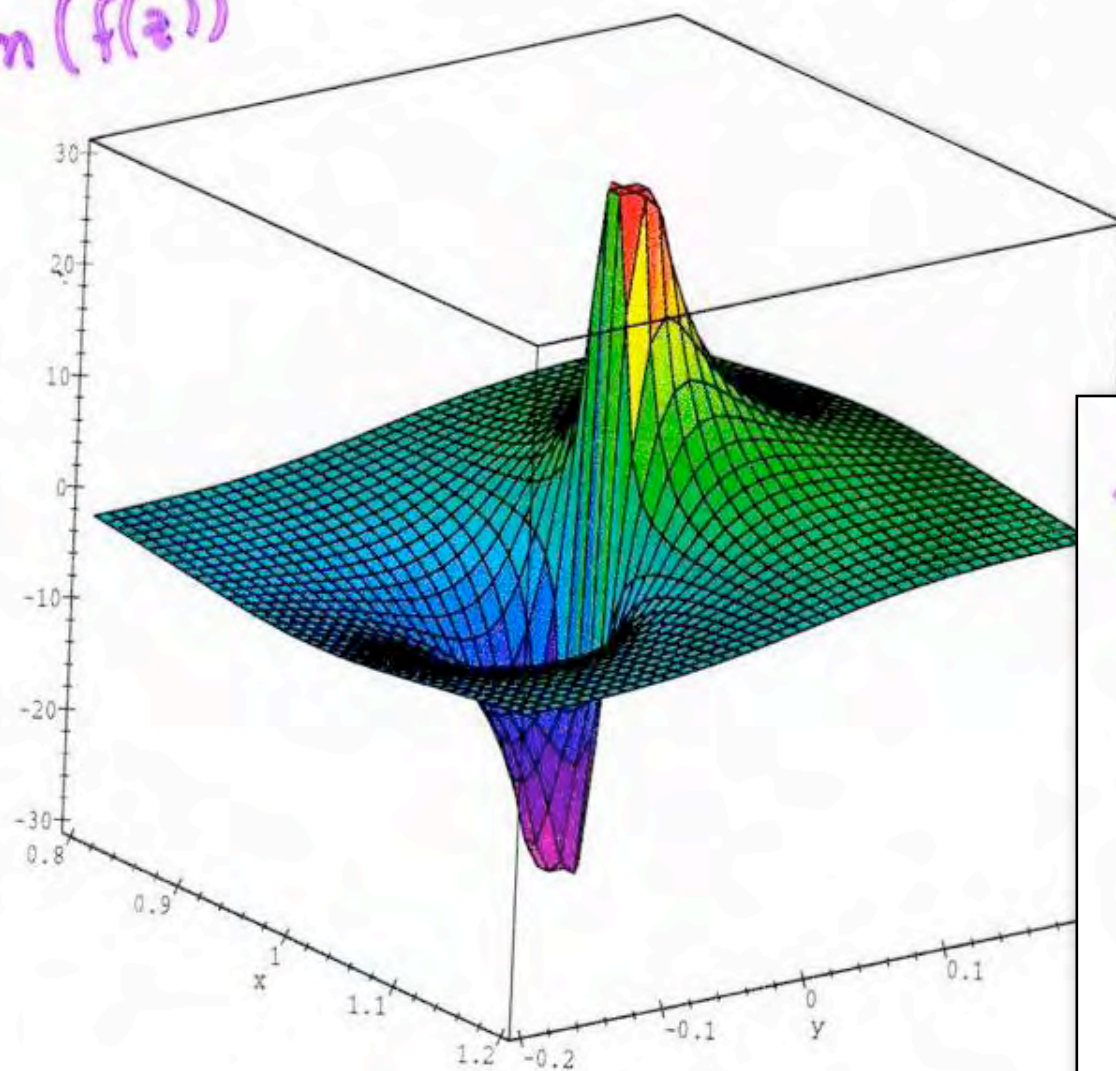
E.g., $d = 2$: Hypergeom ${}_2F_1$ with algebraic arguments.

Extended by Hwang et al. Cf also Hwang's *Cauchy ODE* cases.

Panholzer-Proding+Martinez, ...

Permutations: $f(z) = (1 - z)^{-1}$

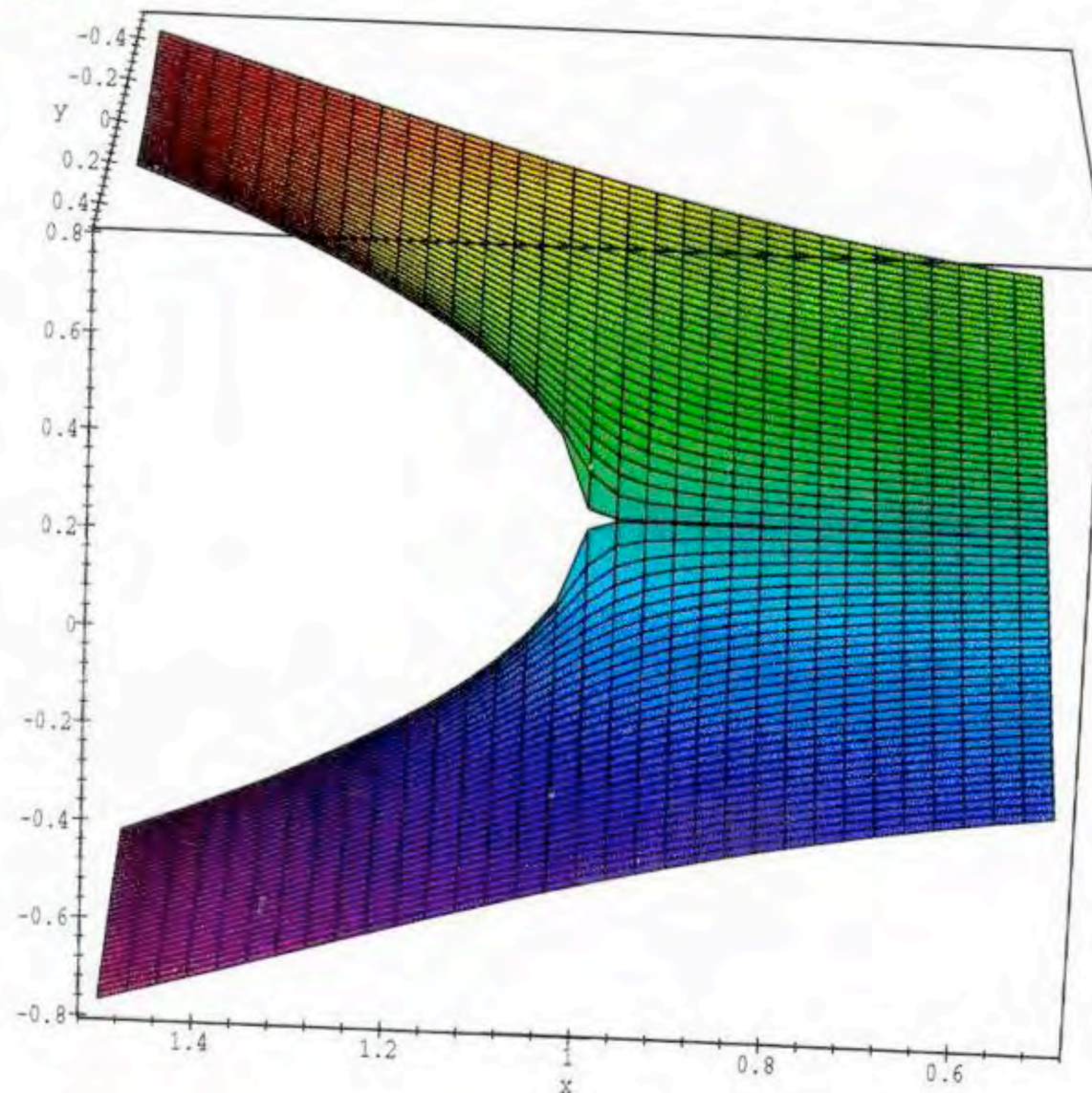
$\text{Im}(f(z))$



Conclusion:
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Trees: $f(z) = 1 - \sqrt{1 - z}$

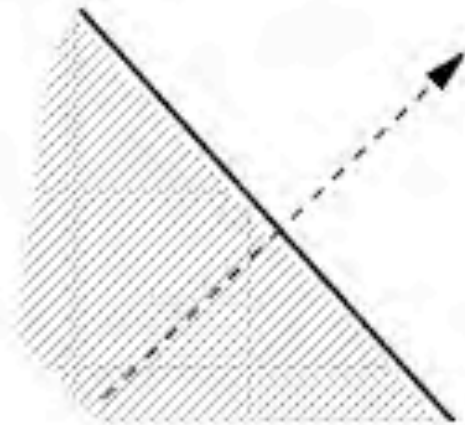
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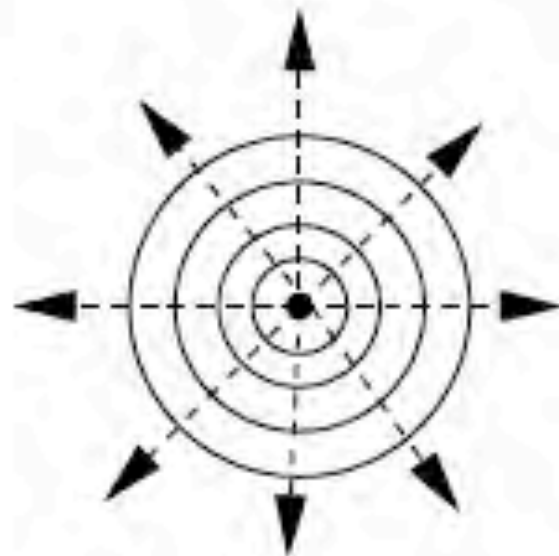
Chapter 8

Saddle-point Asymptotics

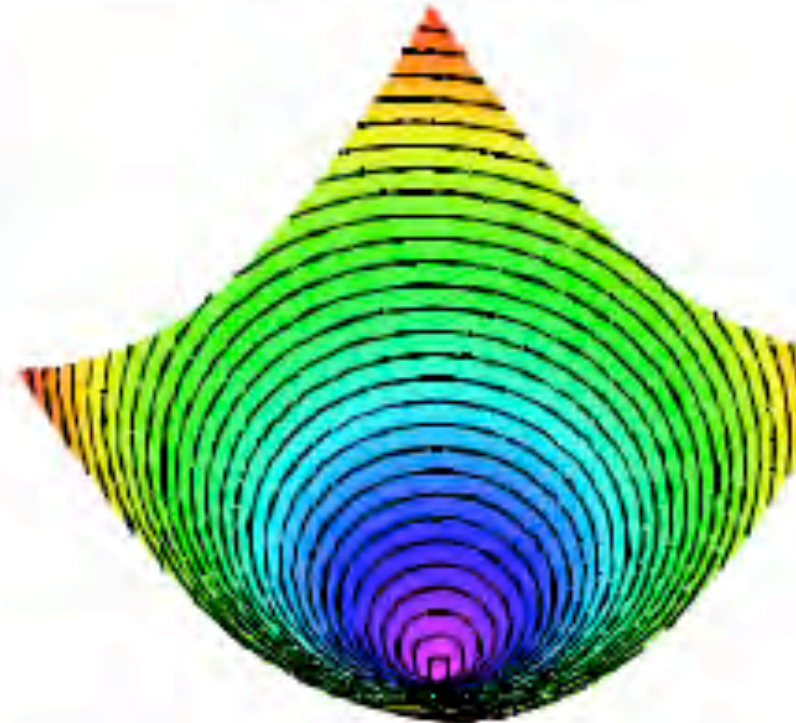
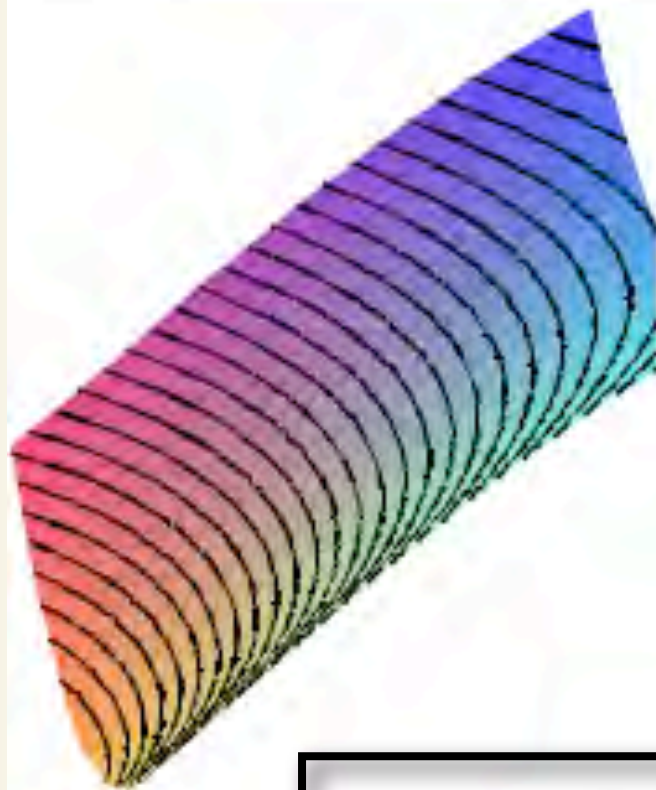
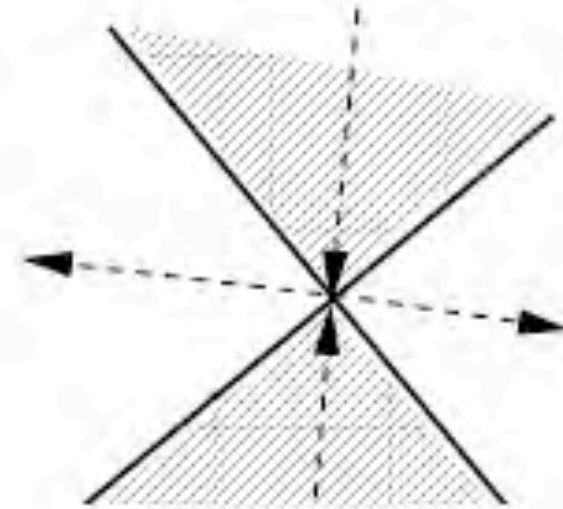
Ordinary point
 $f(z_0) \neq 0, f'(z_0) \neq 0$



Zero
 $f(z_0) = 0$



Saddle-point
 $f(z_0) \neq 0, f'(z_0) = 0$
 $f''(z_0) \neq 0$



Modulus of an analytic function

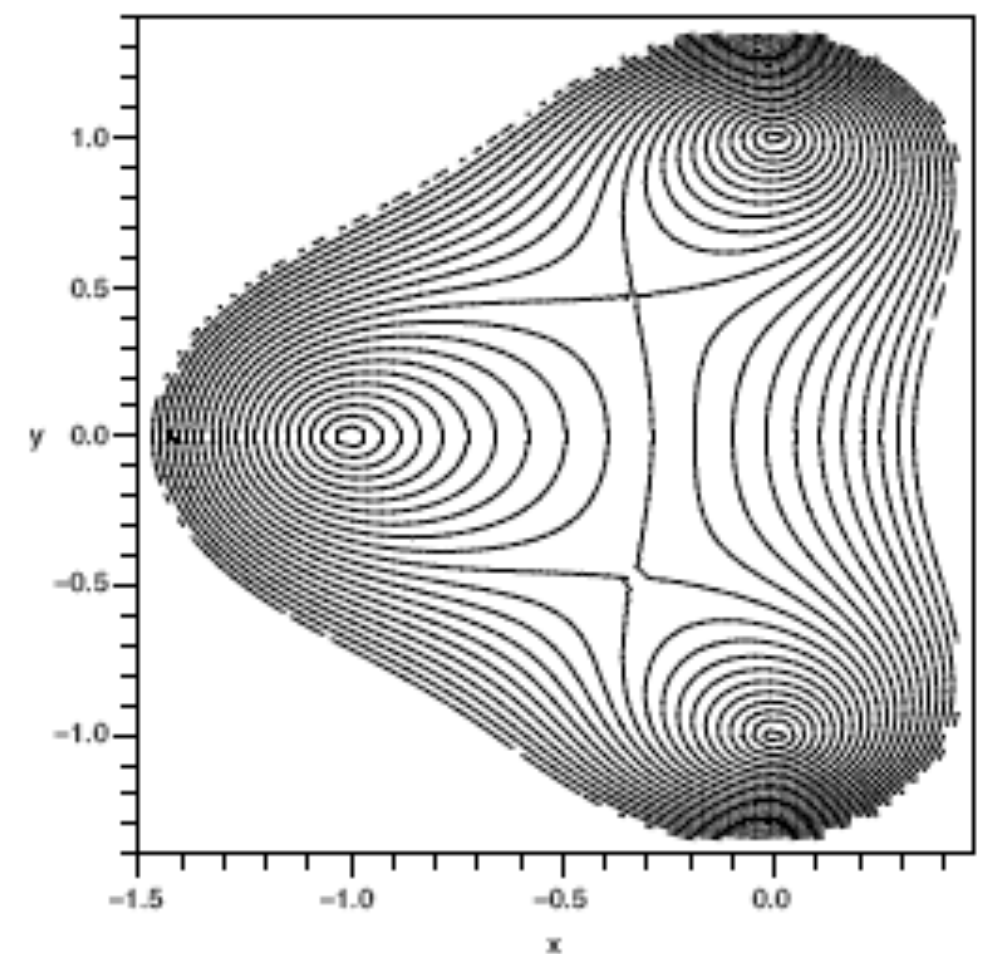
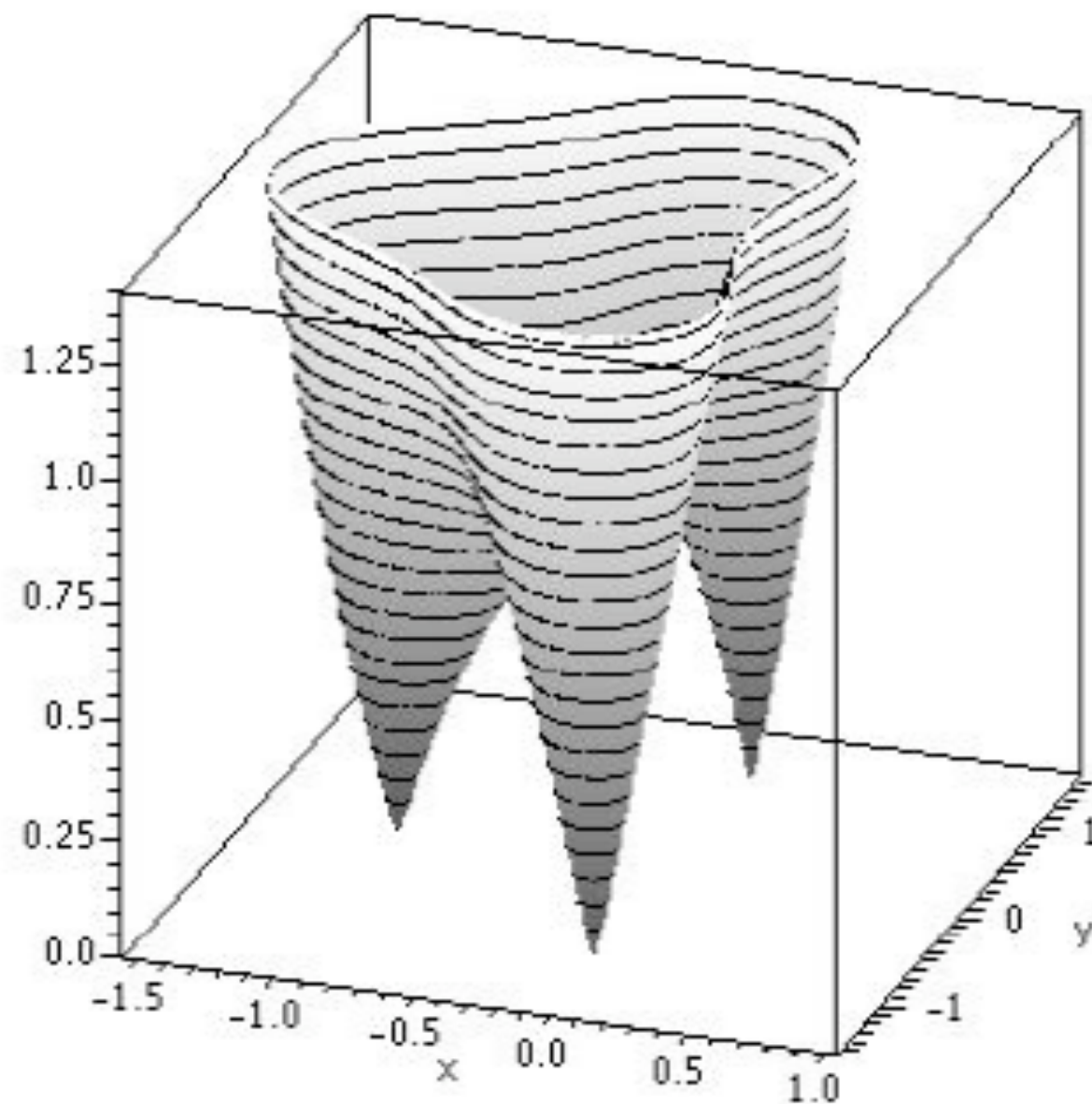
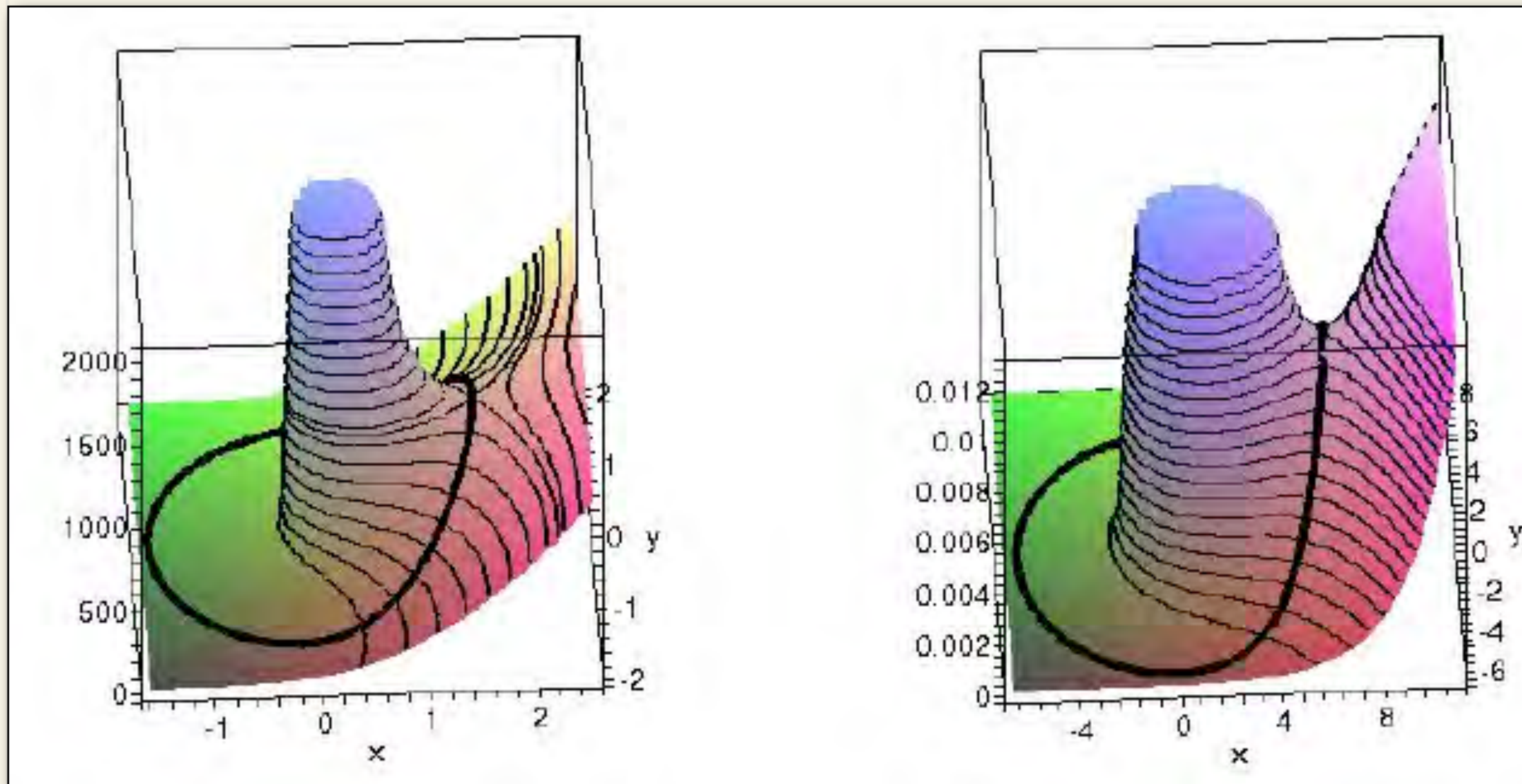


Figure VIII.2. The “tripod”: two views of $|1 + z + z^2 + z^3|$ as function of $x = \Re(z)$, $y = \Im(z)$: (left) the modulus as a surface in \mathbb{R}^3 ; (right) the projection of level lines

Cauchy coefficient integrals



$$J_n = \frac{1}{2i\pi} \oint (1+z)^{2n} \frac{dz}{z^{n+1}}, \quad K_n = \frac{1}{2i\pi} \oint e^z \frac{dz}{z^{n+1}},$$

Saddle-point method:

= concentration + local quadratic approximation.

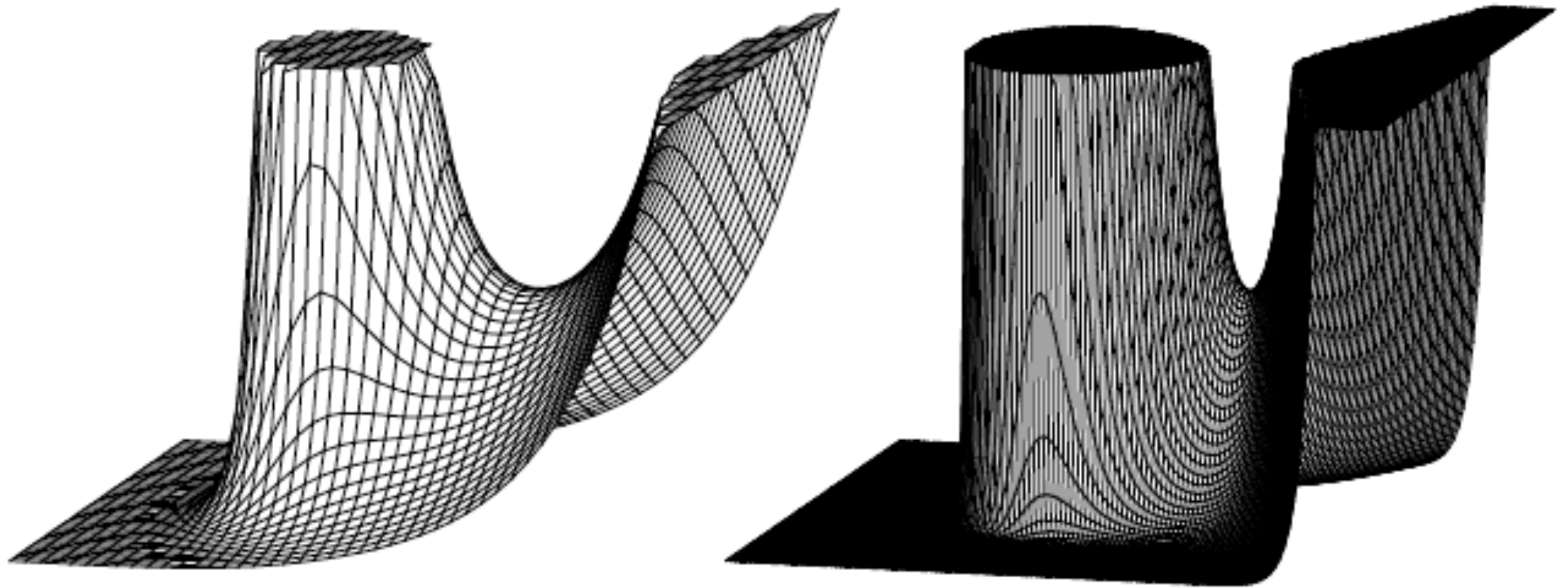
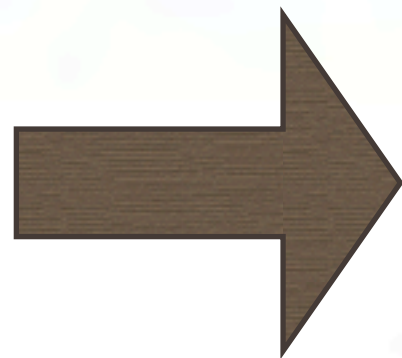


Figure VIII.5. Plots of $|e^z z^{-n-1}|$ for $n = 3$ and $n = 30$ (scaled according to the value of the saddle-point) illustrate the essential concentration condition as higher

The simple saddle point (review)

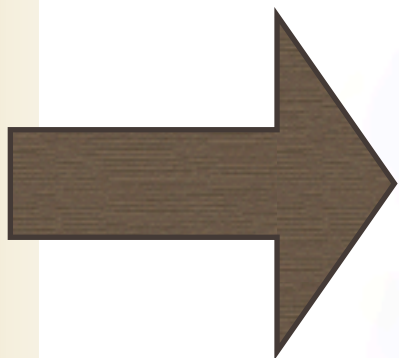


$$I(n) = \frac{1}{2i\pi} \int e^{h_n(z)} dz$$

saddle point at $\zeta \equiv \zeta_n : h'_n(\zeta) = 0$

via: $e^{h_n(\zeta)} \int \exp\left(\frac{t^2}{2} h''_n(\zeta)\right) dt$

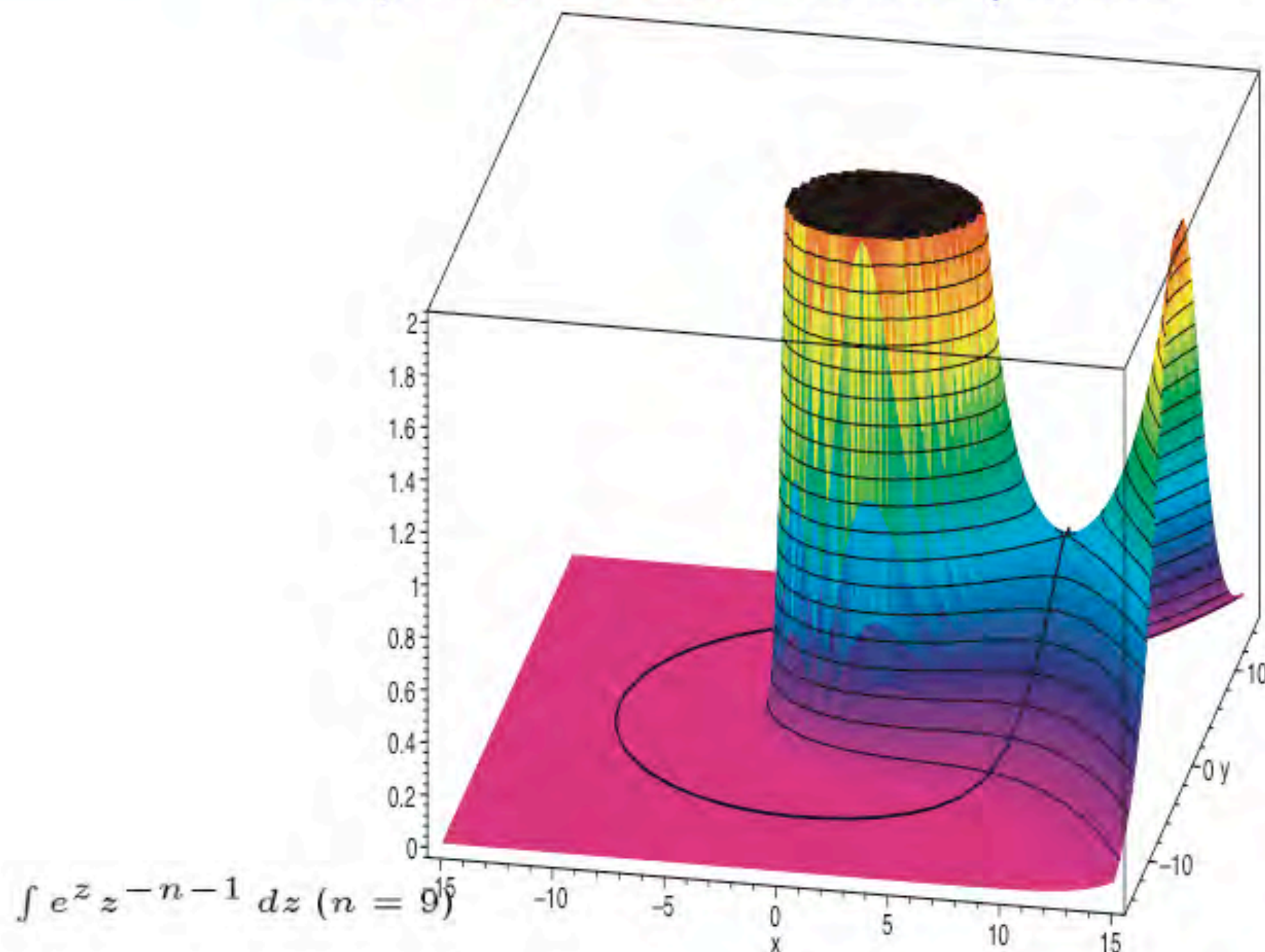
+ concentration as $n \rightarrow \infty$



$$I(n) \sim \frac{1}{2\pi} \left((2!)^{1/2} \Gamma(1/2) \right) \frac{1}{\sqrt{h''_n(\zeta)}} e^{h_n(\zeta)}.$$

Normalization to:

Exp \circ Quadratic; scales \sqrt{n}, \dots



The saddle-point theorem:

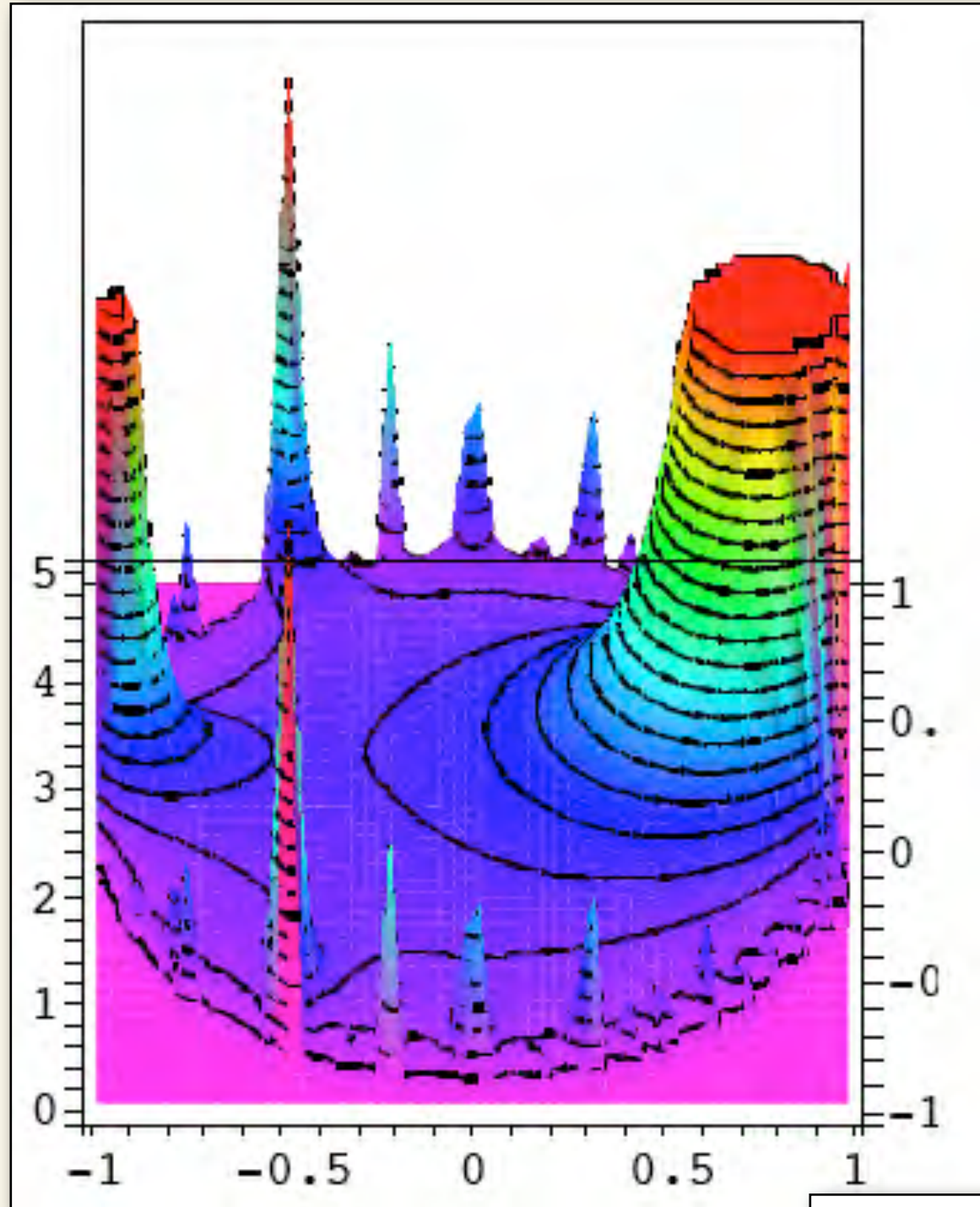
$$\frac{1}{2i\pi} \int_A^B e^{f(z)} dz \sim \varepsilon e^{-i\phi/2} \frac{e^{f(\zeta)}}{\sqrt{2\pi |f''(\zeta)|}} = \pm \frac{e^{f(\zeta)}}{\sqrt{2\pi f''(\zeta)}}.$$

under conditions: concentration + local quadratic approximation

**+ Hayman: *admissible functions*
= **closure properties****

<i>Class</i>	<i>EGF</i>	<i>radius (r)</i>	<i>angle (θ_0)</i>	<i>coeff [z^n] in EGF</i>
urns SET(\mathcal{Z}) (Ex. VIII.3, p. 555)	e^z	n	$n^{-2/5}$	$\sim \frac{e^n n^{-n}}{\sqrt{2\pi n}}$
involutions SET(CYC _{1,2} (\mathcal{Z})) (Ex. VIII.5, p. 558)	$e^{z+z^2/2}$	$\sim \sqrt{n} - \frac{1}{2}$	$n^{-2/5}$	$\sim \frac{e^{n/2-1/4} n^{-n/2}}{2\sqrt{\pi n}} e^{\sqrt{n}}$
set partitions SET(SET _{≥ 1} (\mathcal{Z})) (Ex. VIII.6, p. 560)	e^{e^z-1}	$\sim \log n - \log \log n$	$e^{-2r/5}/r$	$\sim \frac{e^{e^r}-1}{r^n \sqrt{2\pi r(r+1)} e^r}$
fragmented perms SET(SEQ _{≥ 1} (\mathcal{Z})) (Ex. VIII.7, p. 562)	$e^{z/(1-z)}$	$\sim 1 - \frac{1}{\sqrt{n}}$	$n^{-7/10}$	$\sim \frac{e^{-1/2+2\sqrt{n}}}{2\sqrt{\pi} n^{3/4}}$

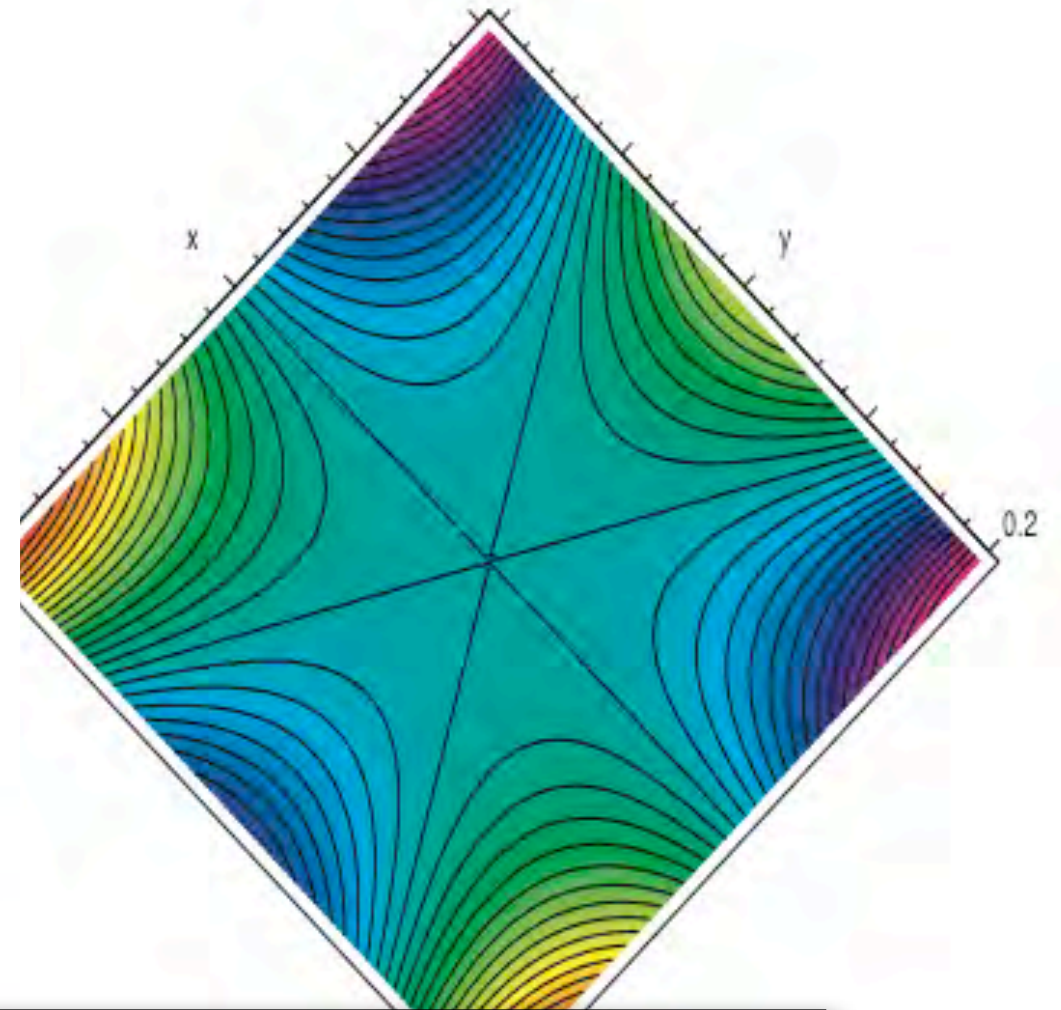
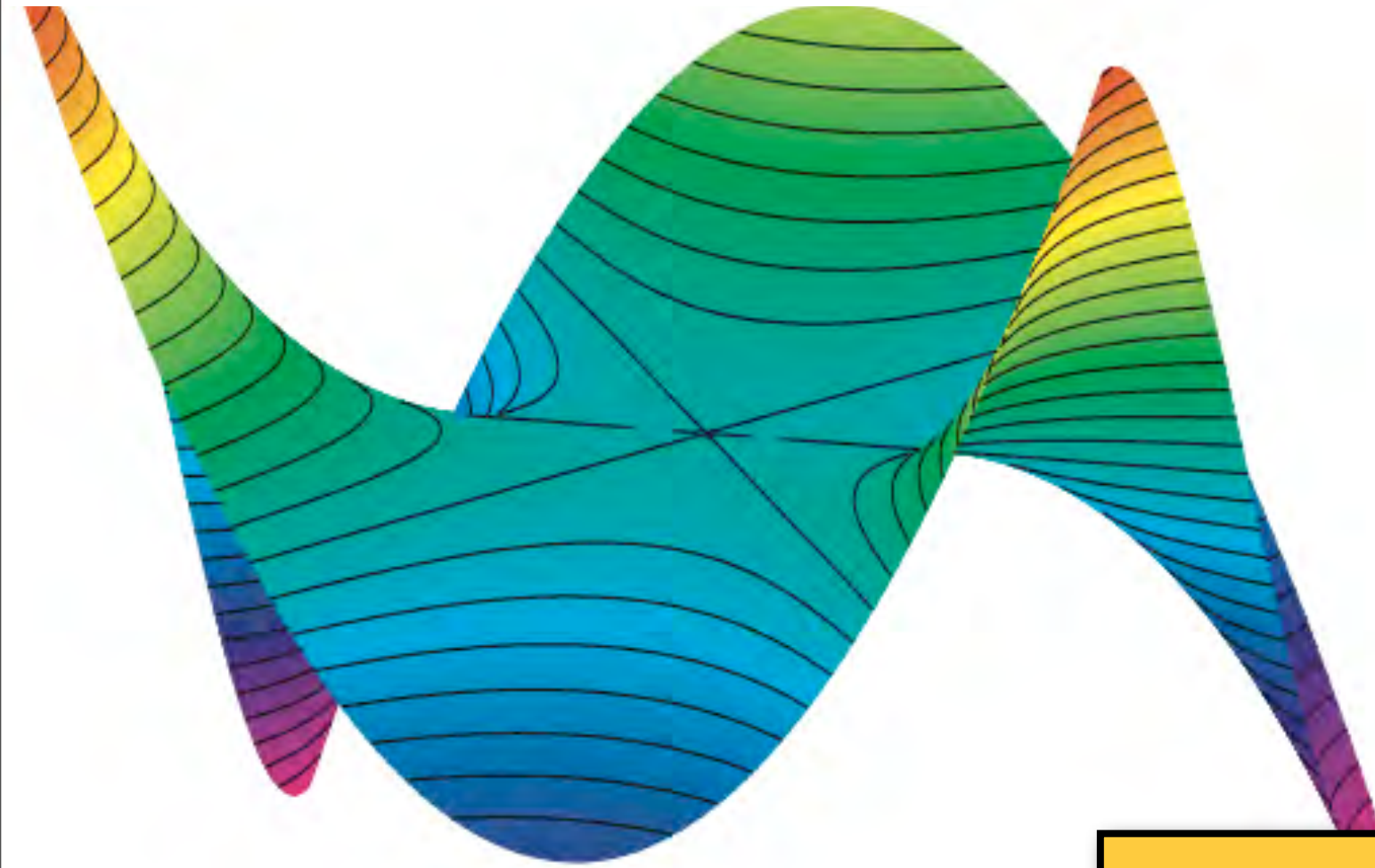
Hardy & Ramanujan



The number p_n of partitions of integer n satisfies

$$p_n \equiv [z^n] \prod_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{1-z^k} \sim \frac{1}{4n\sqrt{3}} e^{\pi\sqrt{2n/3}}$$

(double saddle-point)



Coalescence; e.g., maps

Gauss \Rightarrow Airy

Conclusions: Saddle-point method

- ~ Applies to many **entire functions**: involutions, set partitions, etc.
- ~ Applies to function with **violent growth** at singularity(-ies): integer partitions
- ~ Applies to coefficients of large order in **large powers**