

COS 488: AC week 3 Q1

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The pictures are drawn at the bottom.

We begin by taking the derivative of the function, which gives:

$$\frac{1}{1-z} \frac{1}{1 - \ln \frac{1}{1-z}}$$

we now apply the transfer theorem from slide 59 of the poles lecture:

we let $f(x) = \frac{1}{1-z}$ and $g(x) = 1 - \ln \frac{1}{1-z}$. We note that are poles at 1 and when

$$1 - \ln \frac{1}{1-z} = 0$$

$$e^1 = \frac{1}{1-z}$$

$$z = 1 - 1/e$$

we note that the latter root is closer to the origin, so we have $\alpha = 1 - 1/e$ with order $M = 1$.

Applying the theorem we get:

$$\frac{(-1)(1) \frac{1}{1-(1-e^{-1})}}{(1-e^{-1})^1 \left(\frac{-1}{1-(1-e^{-1})}\right)} \left(\frac{1}{1-e^{-1}}\right)^n n^0 = (1-e^{-1})^{-(n+1)}$$


adjusting for the earlier derivative, we take the $n - 1^{st}$ coefficient, and divide by n , giving the desired:

$$[z^n]h(z) \sim \frac{1}{n} (1 - e^{-1})^{-n}$$






Now to develop the asymptotic estimate of the number of them of size n , we multiply by $n!$ using Stirling's approximation, giving:



$$\sqrt{\frac{2\pi}{n}} \left(\frac{n}{e-1}\right)^n$$

Plugging in $n = 4$, we get 36.8, which is very close to the 35 we get below.

$n=1$:  = 1

$n=2$:   = 2

$n=3$:     

  = 7

$n=4$: 