On the value of the function $\exp(ax)/f(a)$ at a = 0 for f(a) = 0

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1 Introduction

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2 Division by zero calculus

For the statement of the conclusion, we will recall the division by zero calculus.

For any Laurent expansion around z = a,

$$f(z) = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{-1} C_n (z-a)^n + C_0 + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} C_n (z-a)^n,$$

we **define** the division by zero calculus by the identity

$$f(a) = C_0.$$

For many basic properties and applications of the division by zero calculus, see [7] and the references.

3 Conclusion

From the definition of the division by zero calculus, directly, we obtain the theorem, simply

Theorem: For the function

$$\frac{\exp(ax)}{f(a)}, \quad f(a) = 0$$

if f(z) is analytic around z = 0 and $f'(a) = f''(a) = \dots = f^{(m)}(a) = 0$ and $f^{(m+1)}(a) \neq 0$, by the division by zero calculus, we obtain the identity

$$\frac{x^{m+1}\exp(ax)}{f^{(m+1)}(a)}$$

When f(D) is an (polynomial) ordinary differential operator with D = d/dx and with constant coefficients, in the ordinary differential equation

$$f(D)y = \exp(ax),$$

if $f'(a) = f''(a) = \dots = f^{(m)}(a) = 0$ and $f^{(m+1)}(a) \neq 0$, then it gives a special solution.

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