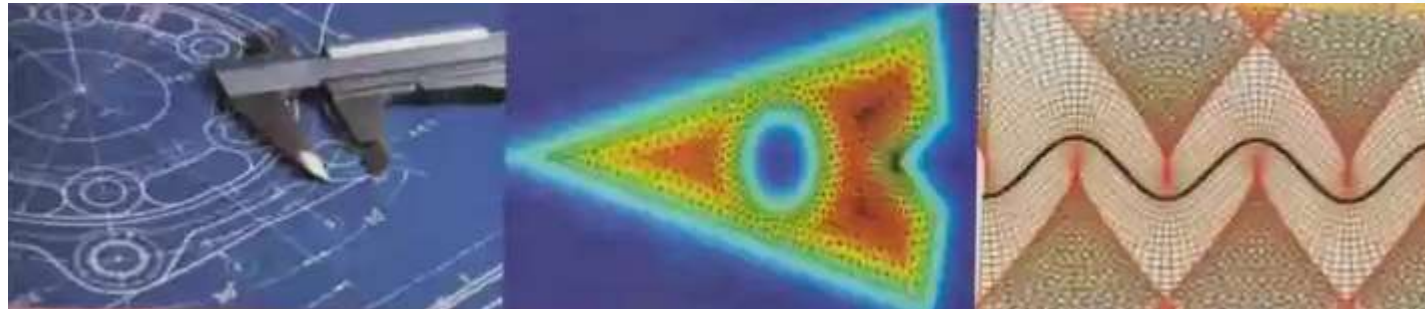


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Lecture Notes 3: Integration in the Complex Plan



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Chapter 2

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1. Contour Integrals

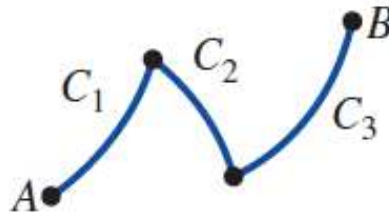
A Definition

Suppose C is a curve parameterized by $x = x(t)$, $y = y(t)$, $a \leq t \leq b$, and A and B are the points $(x(a), y(a))$ and $(x(b), y(b))$, respectively. We say that:

- (i) C is a **smooth** curve if x' and y' are continuous on the closed interval $[a, b]$ and not simultaneously zero on the open interval (a, b) .
- (ii) C is **piecewise smooth** if it consists of a finite number of smooth curves C_1, C_2, \dots, C_n joined end to end; that is, $C = C_1 \cup C_2 \cup \dots \cup C_n$.
- (iii) C is a **closed curve** if $A = B$.
- (iv) C is a **simple closed curve** if $A = B$ and the curve does not cross itself.
- (v) If C is not a closed curve, then the positive **direction** on C is the direction corresponding to increasing values of t .



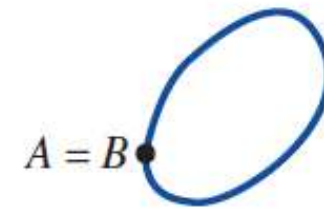
Smooth curve



Piecewise smooth curve



Closed but not simple



Simple closed curve

A Definition

- Integral of a complex function $f(z)$ that is defined along a curve C in the complex plane. Let C be defined by the parametric equations $x = x(t)$, $y = y(t)$, $a \leq t \leq b$, where t is a real parameter.
- By using $x(t)$ and $y(t)$ as real and imaginary parts, we can also describe a curve C in the complex plane by means of a complex-valued function of a real variable t : $z(t) = x(t) + iy(t)$, $a \leq t \leq b$.

- For example, $x = \cos t$, $y = \sin t$, $0 \leq t \leq 2\pi$, describes a unit circle centered at the origin. This circle can also be described by $z(t) = \cos t + i \sin t$, or even more compactly by $z(t) = e^{it}$, $0 \leq t \leq 2\pi$.
- In complex variables, a piecewise-smooth curve C is also called a **contour** or **path**.
- An integral of $f(z)$ on C is denoted by $\int_C f(z)dz$ or $\oint_C f(z)dz$ if the contour C is closed; it is referred to as a **contour integral** or simply as a **complex integral**.
 1. Let $f(z) = u(x, y) + iv(x, y)$ be defined at all points on a smooth curve C defined by $x = x(t)$, $y = y(t)$, $a \leq t \leq b$.
 2. Divide C into n subarcs according to the partition $a = t_0 < t_1 < \dots < t_n = b$ of $[a, b]$. The corresponding points on the curve C are:

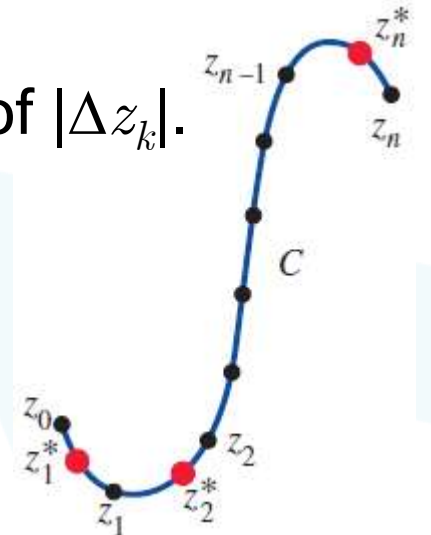
$z_0 = x_0 + iy_0 = x(t_0) + iy(t_0)$, $z_1 = x_1 + iy_1 = x(t_1) + iy(t_1)$, ..., $z_n = x_n + iy_n = x(t_n) + iy(t_n)$. Let $\Delta z_k = z_k - z_{k-1}$, $k = 1, 2, \dots, n$.

3. Let $\|P\|$ be the **norm** of the partition, i.e., the maximum value of $|\Delta z_k|$.

4. Choose a sample point $z_k^* = x_k^* + iy_k^*$ on each subarc.

5. Form the sum:

$$\sum_{k=1}^n f(z_k^*) \Delta z_k$$



- **Definition:** Let f be defined at points of a smooth curve C defined by $x = x(t)$, $y = y(t)$, $a \leq t \leq b$. The contour integral of f along C is

$$\int_C f(z) dz = \lim_{\|P\| \rightarrow 0} \sum_{k=1}^n f(z_k^*) \Delta z_k$$

The limit exists if f is continuous at all points on C and C is either smooth or piecewise smooth.

- **Theorem 1 (Evaluation of a Contour Integral):** If f is continuous on a smooth curve C given by $z(t) = x(t) + iy(t)$, $a \leq t \leq b$, then

$$\int_C f(z) dz = \int_a^b f(z(t)) z'(t) dt$$

- **Example 1:** Evaluating a Contour Integral

Evaluate $\int_C \bar{z} dz$, where C is given by $x(t) = 3t$, $y(t) = t^2$, $-1 \leq t \leq 4$

$$\begin{aligned} \int_C \bar{z} dz &= \int_{-1}^4 (3t - it^2)(3 + 2it) dt \\ &= \int_{-1}^4 (2t^3 + 9t) dt + i \int_{-1}^4 3t^2 dt = 195 + 65i \end{aligned}$$

- **Example 2:** Evaluating a Contour Integral

Evaluate $\oint_C \frac{1}{z} dz$, where C is the circle $x(t) = \cos t$, $y(t) = \sin t$, $0 \leq t \leq 2\pi$

$$\oint_C \frac{1}{z} dz = \int_0^{2\pi} (e^{-it})ie^{it} dt = i \int_0^{2\pi} dt = 2\pi i$$

Properties

- **Theorem 2 (Properties of Contour Integrals):** Suppose f and g are continuous in a domain D and C , C_1 and C_2 are smooth curves lying entirely in D . Then

(i) $\int_C kf(z)dz = k \int_C f(z)dz$, k a constant

(ii) $\int_C [f(z) + g(z)]dz = \int_C f(z)dz + \int_C g(z)dz$

$$(iii) \int_C f(z) dz = \int_{C_1} f(z) dz + \int_{C_2} f(z) dz, \quad C = C_1 \cup C_2$$

$$(iv) \int_{-C} f(z) dz = -\int_C f(z) dz$$

where $-C$ denotes the curve having the opposite orientation of C

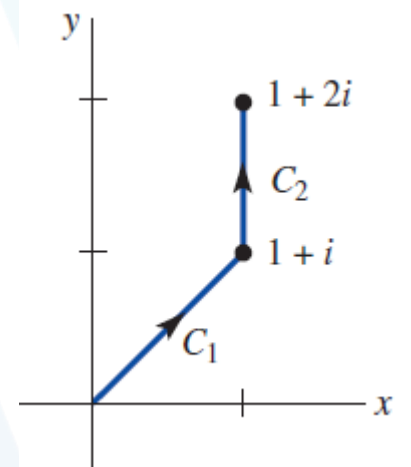
- **Note:** Theorem 2 also hold when C is a piecewise-smooth curve in D .
- **Example 3:** Evaluating a Contour Integral

Evaluate $\int_C (x^2 + iy^2) dz$, where C is the contour shown below

$$\int_C (x^2 + iy^2) dz = \int_{C_1} (x^2 + iy^2) dz + \int_{C_2} (x^2 + iy^2) dz$$

The curve C_1 is defined by $x(t) = y(t) = t, 0 \leq t \leq 1$

The curve C_2 is defined by $x(t) = 1, y(t) = t, 1 \leq t \leq 2$



$$\int_{C_1} (x^2 + iy^2) dz = \int_0^1 (t^2 + it^2)(1 + i) dt = (1 + i)^2 \int_0^1 t^2 dt = \frac{2}{3}i$$

$$\int_{C_2} (x^2 + iy^2) dz = \int_1^2 (1 + it^2)i dt = -\frac{7}{3} + i$$

$$\int_C (x^2 + iy^2) dz = \frac{2}{3}i - \frac{7}{3} + i = -\frac{7}{3} + \frac{5}{3}i$$

- **Theorem 3 (A Bounding Theorem):** If f is continuous on a smooth curve C and if $|f(z)| < M$ for all z on C , then $\left| \int_C f(z) dz \right| \leq ML$, where L is the length of C .

- **Example 4:** A Bound for a Contour Integral

Find an upper bound for the absolute value of $\oint_C \frac{e^z}{z+1} dz$, where C is the circle $|z| = 4$.

The length s of the circle of radius 4 is 8π . $|z + 1| \geq |z| - 1 = 4 - 1 = 3$,

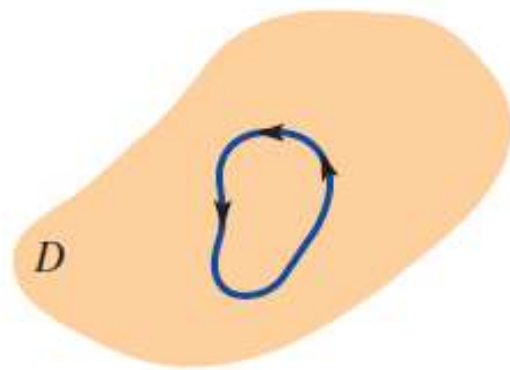
$$\left| \frac{e^z}{z + 1} \right| \leq \frac{|e^z|}{|z| - 1} = \frac{|e^z|}{3} = \frac{e^x}{3} \leq \frac{e^4}{3} \Rightarrow \left| \frac{e^z}{z + 1} \right| \leq \frac{e^4}{3} \Rightarrow \left| \oint_C \frac{e^z}{z + 1} dz \right| \leq \frac{8\pi e^4}{3}$$

2. Cauchy-Goursat Theorem

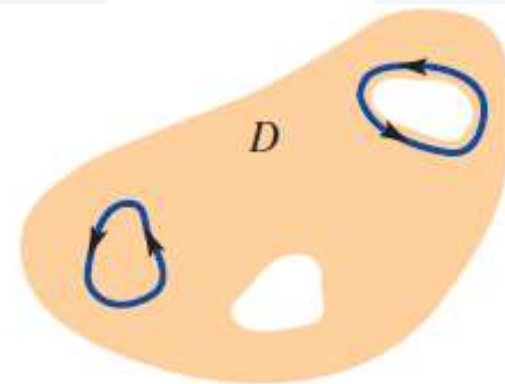
Simply and Multiply Connected Domains

- A domain D is said to be **simply connected** if every simple closed contour C lying entirely in D can be shrunk to a point without leaving D .
- In other words, in a **simply connected domain**, every simple closed contour C lying entirely within it encloses only points of the domain D .
- A **simply connected domain** has no “holes” in it.

- The **entire complex plane** is an example of a simply connected domain.
- A domain that is not simply connected is called a **multiply connected domain**; that is, a multiply connected domain has “holes” in it.
- We call a domain with one “hole” **doubly connected**, a domain with two “holes” **triply connected**, and so on.



Simply connected domain



Multiply connected domain

Cauchy's Theorem

Suppose that a function f is analytic in a simply connected domain D and that f is continuous in D . Then for every simple closed contour C in D , $\oint_C f(z)dz = 0$

- **Theorem 4 (Cauchy-Goursat Theorem):** Suppose a function f is analytic in a simply connected domain D . Then for every simple closed contour C in D ,

$$\oint_C f(z)dz = 0$$

- **Example 5:** The functions z^n with n a positive integer, $\sin z$, $\cos z$, e^z , $\sinh z$, and $\cosh z$ are analytic (they are entire functions), so for any closed contour C in the complex plane,

$$\oint_C z^n dz = \oint_C \sin z dz = \oint_C \cos z dz = \oint_C e^z dz = \oint_C \sinh z dz = \oint_C \cosh z dz = 0$$

- **Example 6:** Applying the Cauchy-Goursat Theorem

Evaluate $\oint_C \frac{1}{z^2} dz$ where C is the ellipse $(x - 2)^2 + \frac{(y - 5)^2}{4} = 1$

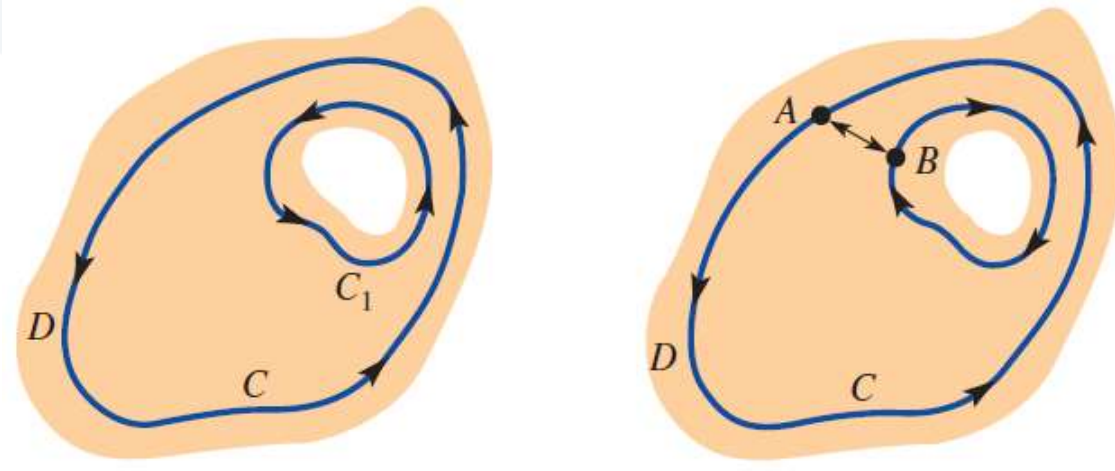
The rational function $f(z) = 1/z^2$ is analytic everywhere except at $z = 0$. But $z = 0$ is not a point interior to or on the contour C . Thus,

$$\oint_C \frac{1}{z^2} dz = 0$$

Cauchy-Goursat Theorem for Multiply Connected Domains

suppose D is a doubly connected domain and C and C_1 are simple closed contours such that C_1 surrounds the “hole” in the domain and is interior to C . Suppose, also, that f is analytic on each contour and at each point interior to C but exterior to C_1 .

When we introduce the cut AB the region bounded by the curves is simply connected.



The integral from A to B has the opposite value of the integral from B to A , so

$$\oint_C f(z)dz + \int_{AB} f(z)dz + \int_{-AB} f(z)dz + \oint_{C_1} f(z)dz = 0 \Rightarrow \oint_C f(z)dz = \oint_{C_1} f(z)dz$$

This result is sometimes called the principle of **deformation of contours**.

■ **Example 7:** Applying Deformation of Contours

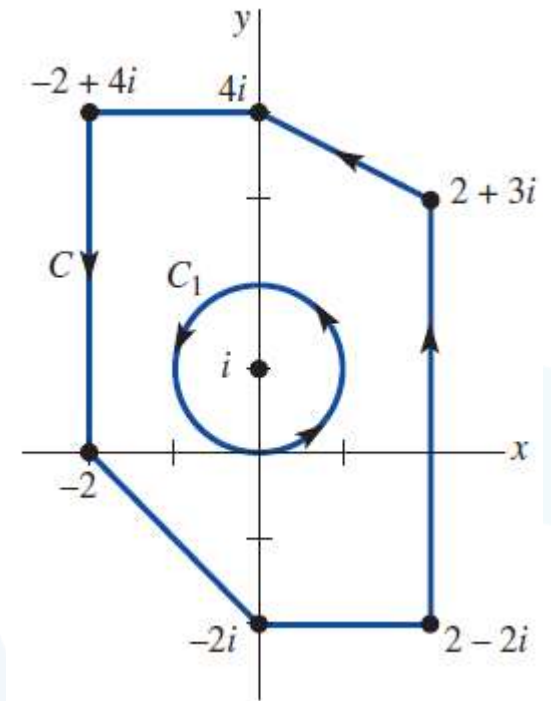
Evaluate $\oint_C \frac{1}{z-i} dz$, where C is the outer contour shown

We choose the more convenient circular contour C_1 . By taking $r = 1$, we are guaranteed that C_1 lies within C . C_1 is the circle $|z - i| = 1$, which can be parameterized by $x = \cos t$, $y = 1 + \sin t$, or by $z = i + e^{it}$, $0 \leq t \leq 2\pi$.

$$\oint_C \frac{1}{z-i} dz = \oint_{C_1} \frac{1}{z-i} dz = \int_0^{2\pi} \frac{ie^{it}}{e^{it}} dt = 2\pi i$$

- If z_0 is any constant complex number interior to any simple closed contour C , then

$$\oint_C \frac{dz}{(z-z_0)^n} = \begin{cases} 2\pi i, & n = 1 \\ 0, & n \text{ an integer} \neq 1 \end{cases}$$



- **Example 8:** Applying Deformation of Contours

Evaluate $\oint_C \frac{5z + 7}{z^2 + 2z - 3} dz$, where C is the circle $|z - 2| = 2$

Since the denominator factors as $z^2 + 2z - 3 = (z - 1)(z + 3)$, the integrand fails to be analytic at $z = 1$ and $z = -3$. Only $z = 1$ lies within the contour C , which is a circle centered at $z = 2$ of radius $r = 2$.

$$\frac{5z + 7}{z^2 + 2z - 3} = \frac{3}{z - 1} + \frac{2}{z + 3} \Rightarrow \oint_C \frac{5z + 7}{z^2 + 2z - 3} dz = 3 \oint_C \frac{dz}{z - 1} + 2 \oint_C \frac{dz}{z + 3}$$

$$\oint_C \frac{5z + 7}{z^2 + 2z - 3} dz = 3(2\pi i) + 2(0) = 6\pi i$$

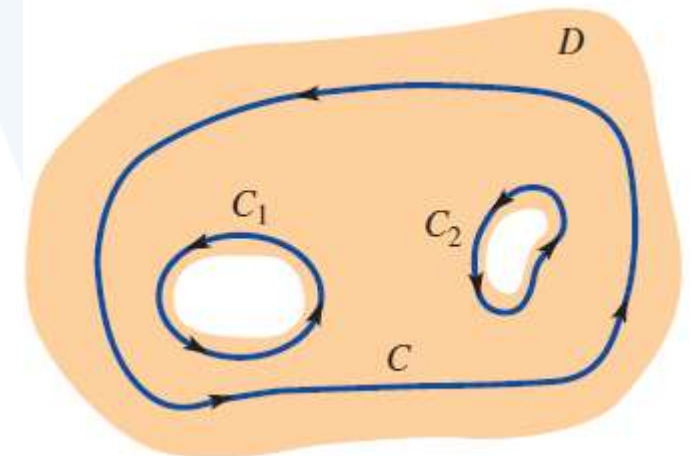
- Theorem 5 (Cauchy-Goursat Theorem for Multiply Connected Domains):**
 Suppose C, C_1, \dots, C_n are simple closed curves with a positive orientation such that C_1, C_2, \dots, C_n are interior to C but the regions interior to each $C_k, k = 1, 2, \dots, n$, have no points in common. If f is analytic on each contour and at each point interior to C but exterior to all the $C_k, k = 1, 2, \dots, n$, then

$$\oint_C f(z) dz = \sum_{k=1}^n \oint_{C_k} f(z) dz$$

For example: triply connected domain D ,

$$\oint_C f(z) dz = \oint_{C_1} f(z) dz + \oint_{C_2} f(z) dz$$

- Note:** Cauchy-Goursat theorem is valid for any closed contour C in a simply connected domain D .



- **Example 9:** Applying Cauchy-Goursat Theorem for triply Connected domain

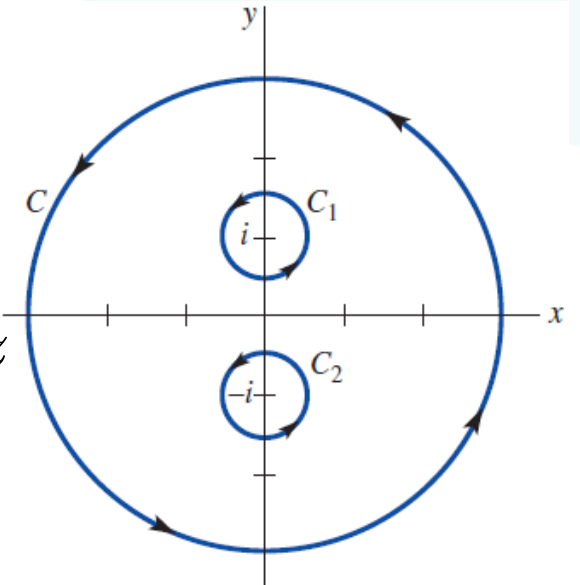
Evaluate $\oint_C \frac{dz}{z^2 + 1}$, where C is the circle $|z| = 3$

$z^2 + 1 = (z - i)(z + i)$, the integrand fails to be analytic at $z = i$ and $z = -i$. Both of these points lie within the contour C .

$$\frac{1}{z^2 + 1} = \frac{1/2i}{z - i} - \frac{1/2i}{z + i} \Rightarrow \oint_C \frac{dz}{z^2 + 1} = \frac{1}{2i} \oint_C \left[\frac{1}{z - i} - \frac{1}{z + i} \right] dz$$

$$\oint_C \frac{dz}{z^2 + 1} = \frac{1}{2i} \oint_{C_1} \left[\frac{1}{z - i} - \frac{1}{z + i} \right] dz + \frac{1}{2i} \oint_{C_2} \left[\frac{1}{z - i} - \frac{1}{z + i} \right] dz$$

$$\oint_C \frac{dz}{z^2 + 1} = \frac{1}{2i} [(2\pi i) - (0)] + \frac{1}{2i} [(0) - (2\pi i)] = \pi - \pi = 0$$



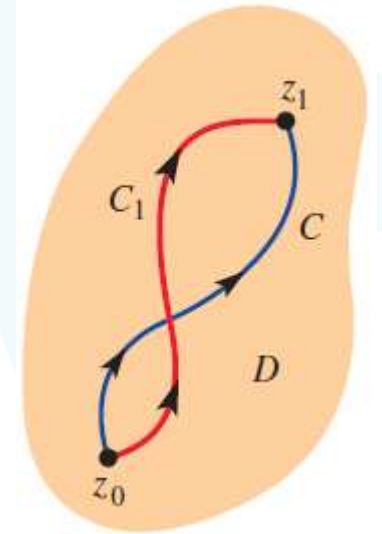
3. Independence of the Path

- **Definition:** Let z_0 and z_1 be points in a domain D . A contour integral $\int_C f(z)dz$ is said to be **independent of the path** if its value is the same for all contours C in D with an initial point z_0 and a terminal point z_1 .

Suppose, that C and C_1 are two contours in a simply connected domain D , both with initial point z_0 and terminal point z_1 . Note that C and $-C_1$ form a closed contour. Thus, if f is analytic in D , it follows from the Cauchy-Goursat theorem that

$$\oint_C f(z)dz + \oint_{-C_1} f(z)dz = 0 \Rightarrow \oint_C f(z)dz = \oint_{C_1} f(z)dz$$

- **Theorem 6 (Analyticity Implies Path Independence):** If f is an analytic function in a simply connected domain D , then $\int_C f(z)dz$ is independent of the path C .



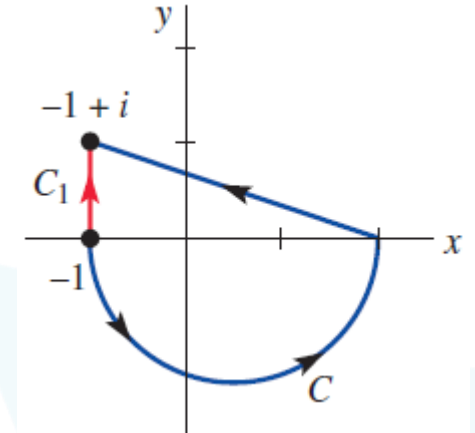
■ **Example 10:** Choosing a Different Path

Evaluate $\int_C 2zdz$, where C is the contour with initial point $z = -1$ and terminal point $z = 1 + i$ shown below

The function $f(z) = 2z$ is entire, we can replace the path C C_1 joining $z = -1$ and $z = -1 + i$. In particular, by choosing

C_1 to be the straight line segment $x = -1, y = t, 0 \leq t \leq 1$. $z = -1 + it$

$$\int_C 2zdz = \int_0^1 2(-1 + it)idt = -2i \int_0^1 dt - 2 \int_0^1 tdt = -1 - 2i$$



- **Definition:** Suppose f is continuous in a domain D . If there exists a function F such that $F'(z) = f(z)$ for each z in D , then F is called an **antiderivative** of f .

For example, the function $F(z) = -\cos z$ is an antiderivative of $f(z) = \sin z$.

Antiderivative, or **indefinite integral**, of a function $f(z)$ is written

$$\int f(z)dz = F(z) + C$$

where $F'(z) = f(z)$ and C is some complex constant.

- **Theorem 7 (Fundamental Theorem for Contour Integrals):** Suppose f is continuous in a domain D and F is an antiderivative of f in D . Then for any contour C in D with initial point z_0 and terminal point z_1 ,

$$\int_C f(z)dz = F(z_1) - F(z_0)$$

- **Example 11:** Using an Antiderivative

$$\int_C 2zdz = \int_{-1}^{-1+i} 2zdz = z^2 \Big|_{-1}^{-1+i} = -1 - 2i$$

- **Example 12:** Using an Antiderivative

Evaluate $\int_C \cos z dz$, where C is any contour with initial point $z = 0$ and terminal point $z = 2 + i$.

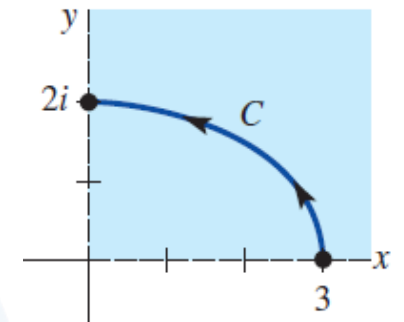
$$\int_C \cos z dz = \int_0^{2+i} \cos z dz = \sin z \Big|_0^{2+i} = \sin(2 + i)$$

- If a continuous function f has an antiderivative F in D , then $\int_C f(z) dz$ is independent of the path.
- If f is continuous and $\int_C f(z) dz$ is independent of the path in a domain D , then f has an antiderivative everywhere in D .
- **Theorem 8 (Existence of an Antiderivative):** If f is analytic in a simply connected domain D , then f has an antiderivative in D ; that is, there exists a function F such that $F'(z) = f(z)$ for all z in D .

- **Note:** under some circumstances $\text{Log } z$ is an antiderivative of $1/z$. For example, suppose D is the entire complex plane without the origin. The function $1/z$ is analytic in this **multiply connected domain**.
- If C is any simple closed contour containing origin, $\oint_C (1/z) dz = 2\pi i \neq 0$. In this case, $\text{Log } z$ is not an antiderivative of $1/z$ in D , since $\text{Log } z$ is not analytic in D .
- **Example 13:** Using the Logarithmic Function

Evaluate $\int_C \frac{dz}{z}$, where C is the contour shown below

Suppose that D is the simply connected domain defined by $x = \text{Re}(z) > 0$, $y = \text{Im}(z) > 0$. In this case, $\text{Log } z$ is an antiderivative of $1/z$, since both these functions are analytic in D .



$$\int_C \frac{dz}{z} = \int_3^{2i} \frac{1}{z} dz = \text{Log } z \Big|_3^{2i} = \text{Log } 2i - \text{Log } 2 = \text{Ln } 2 + \frac{\pi}{2}i - \text{Ln } 3 = \text{Ln } \frac{2}{3} + \frac{\pi}{2}i$$

4. Cauchy's Integral Formulas

- The value of an analytic function f at any point z_0 in a simply connected domain can be represented by a contour integral.
- An analytic function f in a simply connected domain possesses derivatives of all orders.
- **Theorem 9 (Cauchy's Integral Formula):** Let f be analytic in a simply connected domain D , and let C be a simple closed contour lying entirely within D . If z_0 is any point within C , then

$$f(z_0) = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \oint_C \frac{f(z)}{z - z_0} dz$$

■ **Example 14:** Using Cauchy's Integral Formula

Evaluate $\oint_C \frac{z^2 - 4z + 4}{z + i} dz$, where C is the circle $|z| = 2$

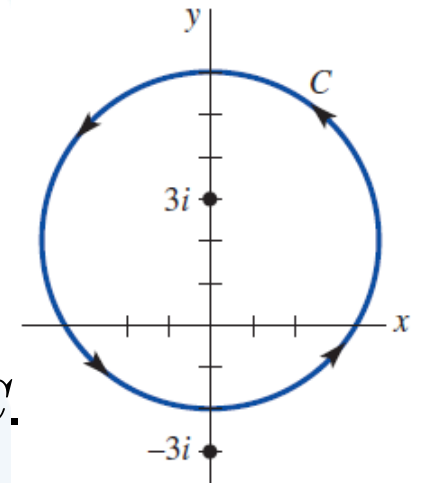
$f(z) = z^2 - 4z + 4$ and $z_0 = -i$ as a point within the circle C . f is analytic at all points within and on the contour C .

$$\oint_C \frac{z^2 - 4z + 4}{z + i} dz = 2\pi i f(-i) = 2\pi i(3 + 4i) = 2\pi(-4 + 3i)$$

■ **Example 15:** Using Cauchy's Integral Formula

Evaluate $\oint_C \frac{z}{z^2 + 9} dz$, where C is the circle $|z - 2i| = 4$

$$\frac{z}{z^2 + 9} = \frac{z/(z + 3i)}{z - 3i} \quad z_0 = 3i \text{ is the only point within the circle } C.$$



$f(z) = z/(z - 3i)$. This function is analytic at all points within and on the contour C .

$$\oint_C \frac{z}{z^2 + 9} dz = 2\pi i f(3i) = 2\pi i \frac{3i}{6i} = \pi i$$

- **Theorem 10 (Cauchy's Integral Formula for Derivatives):** Let f be analytic in a simply connected domain D , and let C be a simple closed contour lying entirely within D . If z_0 is any point within C , then

$$f^{(n)}(z_0) = \frac{n!}{2\pi i} \oint_C \frac{f(z)}{(z - z_0)^{n+1}} dz$$

- **Example 16:** Using Cauchy's Integral Formula for Derivatives

Evaluate $\oint_C \frac{z + 1}{z^4 + 4z^3} dz$, where C is the circle $|z| = 1$

The integrand is not analytic at $z = 0$ and $z = -4$, but only $z = 0$ lies within the closed contour.

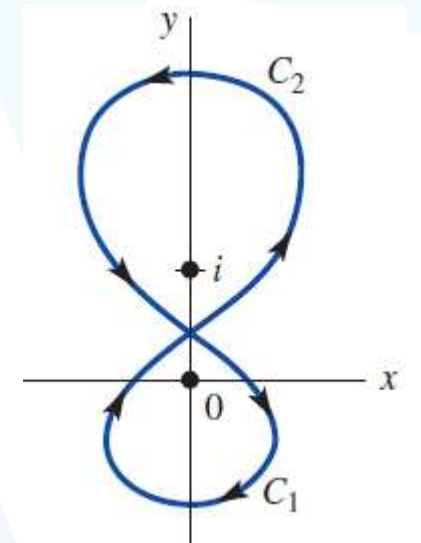
$$\frac{z+1}{z^4+4z^3} = \frac{(z+1)/(z+4)}{z^3} \Rightarrow \oint_C \frac{z+1}{z^4+4z^3} dz = \frac{2\pi i}{2!} f''(0) = \frac{3\pi}{32} i$$

■ **Example 17:** Using Cauchy's Integral Formula for Derivatives

Evaluate $\oint_C \frac{z^3+3}{z(z-i)^2} dz$, where C is the contour shown below

C is not a simple closed contour, we can think of it as the union of two simple closed contours C_1 and C_2

$$\oint_C \frac{z^3+3}{z(z-i)^2} dz = \oint_{C_1} \frac{z^3+3}{z(z-i)^2} dz + \oint_{C_2} \frac{z^3+3}{z(z-i)^2} dz$$



$$\oint_C \frac{z^3 + 3}{z(z - i)^2} dz = -\oint_{C_1} \frac{\frac{z^3 + 3}{(z - i)^2}}{z} dz + \oint_{C_2} \frac{\frac{z^3 + 3}{z}}{(z - i)^2} dz = -I_1 + I_2$$

$$I_1 = \oint_{C_1} \frac{\frac{z^3 + 3}{(z - i)^2}}{z} dz = 2\pi i f(0) = -6\pi i$$

$$I_2 = \oint_{C_2} \frac{\frac{z^3 + 3}{z}}{(z - i)^2} dz = \frac{2\pi i}{1!} f'(i) = 2\pi i(3 + 2i) = 2\pi(-2 + 3i)$$

$$\oint_C \frac{z^3 + 3}{z(z - i)^2} dz = -I_1 + I_2 = 6\pi i + 2\pi(-2 + 3i) = 4\pi(-1 + 3i)$$