

1. Suppose $\gamma : [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ is a contour. The length of the contour γ is defined as $\int_a^b |\gamma'(t)| dt$. Note that for $\gamma(t) = x(t) + iy(t)$ this formula reduces to the familiar arclength formula $s = \int_a^b \sqrt{x'(t)^2 + y'(t)^2} dt$.
 - (a) Find the length of the contour parametrized by $\gamma(t) = 4e^{3it}$, $0 \leq t \leq \pi$.
 - We have $\gamma'(t) = 12e^{3it}$ so $|\gamma'(t)| = 12$ and the length is $\int_0^\pi 12 dt = \boxed{12\pi}$.
 - (b) Find the length of the contour parametrized by $\gamma(t) = t + i \cosh(t)$, $0 \leq t \leq 1$.
 - We have $\gamma'(t) = 1 + i \sinh(t)$ so $|\gamma'(t)| = \sqrt{1 + \sinh^2 t} = \cosh t$ so the length is $\int_0^1 \cosh(t) dt = \boxed{\sinh(1)}$.
 - (c) Find the length of the contour parametrized by $\gamma(t) = (1 - 2t) + (3 + t)i$, $0 \leq t \leq 1$.
 - We have $\gamma'(t) = -2 + i$ so $|\gamma'(t)| = \sqrt{5}$ and the length is $\int_0^1 \sqrt{5} dt = \boxed{\sqrt{5}}$.
 - (d) Find the length of the contour parametrized by $\gamma(t) = (\pi + et) + (\sqrt{2} - \pi t)i$, $0 \leq t \leq 1$.
 - We have $\gamma'(t) = e - \pi i$ so $|\gamma'(t)| = \sqrt{e^2 + \pi^2}$ and the length is $\int_0^1 \sqrt{e^2 + \pi^2} dt = \boxed{\sqrt{e^2 + \pi^2}}$.

 2. For each function f on each contour γ , calculate $\int_\gamma f(z) dz$ without¹ using a parametrization of γ :
 - (a) $f(z) = z^{-3}$ on the upper half of the unit circle traversed from $z = 1$ to $z = -1$.
 - Since $f(z)$ has an antiderivative $F(z) = -\frac{1}{2}z^{-2}$, by the fundamental theorem of line integrals we have $\int_\gamma f(z) dz = F(-1) - F(1) = \boxed{0}$.
 - (b) $f(z) = z^n$ (n an integer with $n \neq -1$) on the counterclockwise boundary of the square with vertices $\pm 1, \pm i$.
 - Since $f(z)$ has an antiderivative $F(z) = \frac{z^{n+1}}{n+1}$ and the contour is closed, by the fundamental theorem of line integrals we have $\int_\gamma f(z) dz = \boxed{0}$.
 - (c) $f(z) = 3z^2$ on the curve $\gamma(t) = e^{et} - \tan(t^2)i$ for $0 \leq t \leq 1$.
 - Since $f(z)$ has an antiderivative $F(z) = z^3$, by the fundamental theorem of line integrals we have $\int_\gamma f(z) dz = F(\gamma(1)) - F(\gamma(0)) = \boxed{(e - i \tan 1)^3 - e^3}$.
 - (d) $f(z) = e^z$ on the portion of the ellipse $\frac{\operatorname{Re}(z)^2}{(\ln 2)^2} + \frac{\operatorname{Im}(z)^2}{4\pi^2} = 1$ clockwise from $z = \ln 2$ to $z = 2\pi i$.
 - Since $f(z)$ has an antiderivative $F(z) = e^z$, by the fundamental theorem of line integrals we have $\int_\gamma f(z) dz = F(2\pi i) - F(\ln 2) = \boxed{e^{2\pi i} - e^{\ln 2}} = \boxed{-1}$.
 - (e) $f(z) = 1/z$ on the polygonal path with successive vertices $i, -1 + 7i, -20 - 25i$, and $-i$.
 - Note $1/z$ has an antiderivative $F(z) = \operatorname{Log}(z)$ on $\mathbb{C} \setminus [0, \infty)$ inside which this path lies.
 - So by the fundamental theorem of line integrals, $\int_\gamma f(z) dz = F(-i) - F(i) = \operatorname{Log}(-i) - \operatorname{Log}(i) = \boxed{i\pi}$.
 - (f) $f(z) = \operatorname{Log}(z)$ on the polygonal path with successive vertices $i, -1 + 7i, -20 - 25i$, and $-i$.
 - Note that $\operatorname{Log}(z)$ is holomorphic on $\mathbb{C} \setminus [0, \infty)$ inside which this path lies.
 - By the product rule we see $F(z) = z \operatorname{Log}(z) - z$ has derivative $f(z) = \operatorname{Log}(z)$, so by the fundamental theorem of line integrals, $\int_\gamma f(z) dz = F(-i) - F(i) = [(-i)\operatorname{Log}(-i) - (-i)] - [i\operatorname{Log}(i) - i] = \boxed{2\pi + 2i}$.
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¹Obviously, since this is in Part I, we won't actually know for sure that you didn't use a parametrization, but read between the lines on the directions here (namely, that you should be able to solve each part without using a parametrization).

3. For each function f on each closed contour γ , calculate $\int_{\gamma} f(z) dz$:
- $f(z) = z^{-1}$ on the counterclockwise boundary of the triangle with vertices 1 and $-2 \pm i\sqrt{3}$.
 - Note f is holomorphic for all $z \neq 0$.
 - We can deform this contour in $\mathbb{C} \setminus \{0\}$ into the unit circle, and thus the integral is $\boxed{2\pi i}$.
 - $f(z) = z^{-1}$ on the counterclockwise boundary of the triangle with vertices -1 and $-2 \pm i\sqrt{3}$.
 - Note f is holomorphic for all $z \neq 0$.
 - Since this triangle does not contain $z = 0$, we can deform this contour to a point, and so the integral is $\boxed{0}$.
 - $f(z) = z^{-1}$ on the polygonal path with successive vertices 1, i , -1 , $-i$, 2, $2i$, -2 , $-2i$, and 1.
 - Note f is holomorphic for all $z \neq 0$.
 - We can deform this contour in $\mathbb{C} \setminus \{0\}$ into a path that winds twice around the unit circle, so the integral is $\boxed{4\pi i}$.
 - $f(z) = \frac{i}{z^2 - iz}$ on the counterclockwise boundary of the ellipse $\frac{\operatorname{Re}(z)^2}{(\ln 2)^2} + \frac{\operatorname{Im}(z)^2}{4\pi^2} = 1$.
 - Note f is holomorphic for all $z \neq 0, i$, and both of these points lie in the ellipse.
 - Furthermore, from partial fraction decomposition we have $\frac{i}{z^2 - iz} = \frac{1}{z - i} - \frac{1}{z}$, so we need only calculate $\int_{\gamma} \frac{1}{z} dz$ and $\int_{\gamma} \frac{1}{z - i} dz$.
 - For $\int_{\gamma} \frac{1}{z} dz$ we deform the contour into the unit circle to see the integral is $2\pi i$. For $\int_{\gamma} \frac{1}{z - i} dz$ we deform the contour into the circle $|z - i| = 1$ and then substitute $w = z - i$ to see that the integral is $2\pi i$.
 - Therefore we have $\int_{\gamma} \frac{i}{z^2 - iz} dz = \int_{\gamma} \frac{1}{z - i} dz - \int_{\gamma} \frac{1}{z} dz = \boxed{0}$.
 - $f(z) = \frac{z}{z^2 + 1}$ on the counterclockwise boundary of the square with vertices ± 1 and $\pm 1 + 2i$.
 - Note f is holomorphic for all $z \neq i, -i$, and i lies inside the square while $-i$ does not.
 - Furthermore, from partial fraction decomposition we have $\frac{z}{z^2 + 1} = \frac{1/2}{z + i} + \frac{1/2}{z - i}$, so we need only calculate $\int_{\gamma} \frac{1}{z + i} dz$ and $\int_{\gamma} \frac{1}{z - i} dz$.
 - Since $-i$ is not in the square we see that $\int_{\gamma} \frac{1}{z + i} dz$ by deforming the contour to a point. For $\int_{\gamma} \frac{1}{z - i} dz$ we deform the contour to the circle $|z - i| = 1$ to see that the integral is $2\pi i$ as earlier.
 - Therefore we have $\int_{\gamma} \frac{z}{z^2 + 1} dz = \frac{1}{2} \int_{\gamma} \frac{1}{z + i} dz + \frac{1}{2} \int_{\gamma} \frac{1}{z - i} dz = \boxed{\pi i}$.
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4. Let $f(z)$ be continuous on a connected open region R . Prove that the following are equivalent (you may freely appeal to theorems proven in class or in the notes; if you find yourself writing a long solution then you've missed something):
- The line integral $\int_{\gamma} f(z) dz = 0$ for all closed contours γ in R .
 - There exists a holomorphic $F(z)$ on R such that $F'(z) = f(z)$.
 - For any $a, b \in R$ and any contours γ_1 and γ_2 in R from a to b , $\int_{\gamma_1} f(z) dz = \int_{\gamma_2} f(z) dz$.
 - (a) implies (b): This is the existence of antiderivatives theorem from the notes.
 - (b) implies (c): This is independence of path: $\int_{\gamma_1} f(z) dz = F(b) - F(a) = \int_{\gamma_2} f(z) dz$.
 - (c) implies (a): Suppose γ is closed. Take $\gamma_1 = \gamma$ and γ_2 to be constant at any point on γ . Then $\int_{\gamma_2} f(z) dz = 0$, so the hypothesis of (c) yields immediately $\int_{\gamma} f(z) dz = 0$.
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5. The goal of this problem is to compute the integral $I(z_0) = \int_{\gamma} \frac{dz}{z - z_0}$ where γ is the unit circle traversed once counterclockwise and $|z_0| \neq 1$.

(a) If $z_0 = re^{i\theta}$ show that $I(z_0) = I(r)$. [Hint: Make a substitution.]

- We substitute $z = e^{i\theta}\tilde{z}$, with $dz = e^{i\theta}d\tilde{z}$. This substitution corresponds to a rotation of θ radians (clockwise going from z to $\tilde{z}$, or counterclockwise going from $\tilde{z}$ to z), which does not change the contour γ .
- Then we have $I(z_0) = \int_{\gamma} \frac{dz}{z - z_0} = \int_{\gamma} \frac{e^{i\theta}d\tilde{z}}{e^{i\theta}\tilde{z} - re^{i\theta}} = \int_{\gamma} \frac{d\tilde{z}}{\tilde{z} - r} = I(r)$ as required.

(b) Suppose $r \geq 0$ and $r \neq 1$. Show that $\int_0^{2\pi} \frac{r \sin t}{1 - 2r \cos t + r^2} dt = 0$.

- Observe that the derivative of $\ln(1 - 2r \cos t + r^2)$ is $\frac{2r \sin t}{1 - 2r \cos t + r^2}$. Since the argument of the logarithm ranges from $(r - 1)^2$ to $(r + 1)^2$ and $r \neq 1$, it is never zero.
- Thus by the fundamental theorem of calculus we have $\int_0^{2\pi} \frac{r \sin t}{1 - 2r \cos t + r^2} dt = \frac{1}{2} \ln(1 - 2r \cos t + r^2)|_{t=0}^{2\pi} = 0$ by periodicity.

(c) Show that $\int_0^{\pi} \frac{1 - r \cos t}{1 - 2r \cos t + r^2} dt = \begin{cases} \pi & \text{if } 0 \leq r < 1 \\ 0 & \text{if } r > 1 \end{cases}$. [Hint: Substitute $x = \tan(t/2)$, which has $dt = \frac{2dx}{1 + x^2}$ and $\cos t = \frac{1 - x^2}{1 + x^2}$. You may want to make a computer do the partial fraction decomposition.]

- Making the suggested substitution $x = \tan(t/2)$, which has $dt = \frac{2dx}{1 + x^2}$ and $\cos t = \frac{1 - x^2}{1 + x^2}$ and has an integration range of $(-\infty, \infty)$ for x yields

$$\begin{aligned} \int_0^{\pi} \frac{1 - r \cos t}{1 - 2r \cos t + r^2} dt &= 2 \int_0^{\infty} \frac{1 - r \cdot \frac{1 - x^2}{1 + x^2}}{1 - 2r \cdot \frac{1 - x^2}{1 + x^2} + r^2} \cdot \frac{dx}{1 + x^2} \\ &= 2 \int_0^{\infty} \frac{(1 + x^2) - r(1 - x^2)}{(1 + r^2)(1 + x^2) - 2r(1 - x^2)} \cdot \frac{dx}{1 + x^2} \\ &= 2 \int_0^{\infty} \frac{(1 - r) + (1 + r)x^2}{(1 - 2r + r^2) + (1 + 2r + r^2)x^2} \cdot \frac{dx}{1 + x^2} \\ &= 2 \int_0^{\infty} \left[\frac{1/2}{1 + x^2} - \frac{(r^2 - 1)/2}{(1 - 2r + r^2) + (1 + 2r + r^2)x^2} \right] dx \\ &= \int_0^{\infty} \frac{1}{1 + x^2} dx - \int_0^{\infty} \frac{1}{1 + [\frac{r+1}{r-1}x]^2} \frac{r+1}{r-1} dx \end{aligned}$$

- The first integral is $\frac{\pi}{2}$ while substituting $u = \frac{r+1}{r-1}x$ in the second integral yields $\int_0^{\infty} \frac{du}{1 + u^2} = \frac{\pi}{2}$ also, but with the order of integration preserved for $r > 1$ and reversed for $r < 1$. So for $r > 1$ the two integrals cancel and the sum is zero, while for $r < 1$ the integrals add and the sum is π .

(d) Find the value of $I(z_0)$ in terms of z_0 .

- By (a) we just need to evaluate $I(r)$. With $\gamma(t) = e^{it}$ for $0 \leq t \leq 2\pi$ we have $\gamma'(t) = ie^{it}$ and $\frac{1}{z - r} = \frac{1}{e^{it} - r}$.
- Plugging in the parametrization then yields $\int_{\gamma} \frac{1}{z - r} dz = \int_0^{2\pi} \frac{1}{e^{it} - r} \cdot ie^{it} dt = i \int_0^{2\pi} \frac{\cos t + i \sin t}{(\cos t - r) + i \sin t} dt$
 $= i \int_0^{2\pi} \frac{(\cos t + i \sin t)(\cos t - r - i \sin t)}{(\cos t - r)^2 + \sin^2 t} dt = i \int_0^{2\pi} \frac{1 - r \cos t - ri \sin t}{1 - 2r \cos t + r^2} dt$.
- By (b) and (c) we see that this integral equals 0 when $r > 1$ and $i \cdot 2\pi$ when $r < 1$. So $I(z_0) = \boxed{2\pi i \text{ for } |z_0| < 1 \text{ and } 0 \text{ for } |z_0| > 1}$.

6. Recall that if $\gamma_0 : [0, 1] \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ and $\gamma_1 : [0, 1] \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ are continuous closed curves in a region R , we say they are homotopic in R if there exists some continuous function $h : [0, 1] \times [0, 1] \rightarrow R$ with $h(s, 0) = h(s, 1)$ for all s and $h(0, t) = \gamma_0(t)$ and $h(1, t) = \gamma_1(t)$. Prove that being homotopic in R is an equivalence relation on continuous closed curves in R . [Hint: For transitivity, use half of the interval to go from γ_0 to γ_1 and the other half to go from γ_1 to γ_2 .]
- Reflexive: To show γ is homotopic to itself, simply take the trivial homotopy, with $h(s, t) = \gamma(t)$ for all s .
 - Symmetric: If γ_0 is homotopic to γ_1 with $h(s, 0) = h(s, 1)$, $h(0, t) = \gamma_0(t)$, and $h(1, t) = \gamma_1(t)$, then let $\tilde{h}(s, t) = h(1 - s, t)$. Then $\tilde{h}$ has $\tilde{h}(s, 0) = h(s, 1) = h(s, 0) = \tilde{h}(s, 1)$ and $\tilde{h}(0, t) = h(1, t) = \gamma_1(t)$ and $\tilde{h}(1, t) = h(0, t) = \gamma_0(t)$ so $\tilde{h}$ is a homotopy from γ_1 to γ_0 .
 - Transitive: Suppose γ_0 is homotopic to γ_1 with $h_1(s, 0) = h_1(s, 1)$, $h_1(0, t) = \gamma_0(t)$, and $h_1(1, t) = \gamma_1(t)$, and also that γ_1 is homotopic to γ_2 with $h_2(s, 0) = h_2(s, 1)$, $h_2(0, t) = \gamma_1(t)$, and $h_2(1, t) = \gamma_2(t)$. Then let $h(s, t) = \begin{cases} h_1(2s, t) & \text{for } 0 \leq s \leq 1/2 \\ h_2(2s - 1, t) & \text{for } 1/2 < s \leq 1 \end{cases}$.
 - Since h_1 and h_2 are continuous and agree on the boundary $s = 1/2$, since $h_1(1, t) = \gamma_1(t) = h_2(0, t)$ for each t , we see h is continuous. Furthermore $h(s, 0) = \begin{cases} h_1(s, 0) & \text{for } 0 \leq s \leq 1/2 \\ h_2(s, 0) & \text{for } 1/2 < s \leq 1 \end{cases} = \begin{cases} h_1(s, 1) & \text{for } 0 \leq s \leq 1/2 \\ h_2(s, 1) & \text{for } 1/2 < s \leq 1 \end{cases} = h(s, 1)$, and $h(0, t) = \gamma_0(t)$ and $h(1, t) = \gamma_2(t)$. So h is a homotopy from γ_0 to γ_2 as desired.
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7. [Challenge] Recall the definition of the length of a contour from problem 1.

- (a) Suppose that $\gamma_1 : [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ and $\gamma_2 : [c, d] \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ are continuously differentiable and there exists a continuously differentiable increasing function $g : [a, b] \rightarrow [c, d]$ with $g(a) = c$ and $g(b) = d$ such that $\gamma_1 = \gamma_2 \circ g$, show that $\int_a^b |\gamma_1'(t)| dt = \int_c^d |\gamma_2'(s)| ds$. [Hint: Substitution.]
- Make the substitution $t = g(s)$. For $t = a$ we have $s = g(a) = c$ and for $t = b$ we have $s = g(b) = d$, and also $dt = g'(s) ds$. Additionally note that $g'(s) > 0$ by the assumption that g is increasing.
 - Then substituting $t = g(s)$ in $\int_a^b |\gamma_1'(t)| dt$ yields $\int_c^d |\gamma_1'(g(s))| g'(s) ds = \int_c^d |\gamma_1'(g(s))g'(s)| ds = \int_c^d |\gamma_2'(s)| ds$ by the chain rule and the fact that $g'(s) = |g'(s)|$ since $g'(s) > 0$.
- (b) Prove that the length of a contour is independent of the parametrization. [Hint: Sum (a).]
- Suppose we have two different parametrizations of the same contour. By breaking each at the points where either one is nondifferentiable, we may assume that $\gamma = \gamma_1 \cup \dots \cup \gamma_n$ and $\tilde{\gamma} = \tilde{\gamma}_1 \cup \dots \cup \tilde{\gamma}_n$ where each γ_i and $\tilde{\gamma}_i$ is continuously differentiable and has the same endpoints.
 - Then applying (a) to each pair $(\gamma_i, \tilde{\gamma}_i)$ we see that the length of γ_i equals the length of $\tilde{\gamma}_i$. Summing over all pieces and observing that the length integral is additive shows immediately that the length of γ equals the length of $\tilde{\gamma}$.
- (c) Suppose that $|f(z)| \leq M$ on the contour γ of length s . Prove that $\left| \int_\gamma f(z) dz \right| \leq Ms$.
- Suppose $\gamma : [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ is a contour. Then $\left| \int_\gamma f(z) dz \right| = \left| \int_a^b f(\gamma(t)) \gamma'(t) dt \right| \leq \int_a^b |f(\gamma(t))| |\gamma'(t)| dt \leq \int_a^b M |\gamma'(t)| dt = M \int_a^b |\gamma'(t)| dt = Ms$ using the triangle inequality and the fact that $|f(\gamma(t))| \leq M$ for all t .
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