

23.2

1. Problem Evaluate the following by expressing them in terms of real line integrals and then evaluating those integrals.

- (a) $\int_C |z|^2 dz$, where C is a straight line from $z = 0$ to $z = 1 + i$.
- (d) $\int_C dz/z$, where C consists of three straight-line segments: from $z = 1$ to $z = 1 - i$, from $z = 1 - i$ to $z = -1 - i$, and then from $z = -1 - i$ to $z = -1$
- (f) $\int_C (\operatorname{Re} z) dz$, where C is a clockwise quarter circle from $z = 3i$ to $z = 3$ centered at $z = 0$.
- (g) $\int_C (\operatorname{Im} z) dz$, where C is a straight line from $z = i$ to $z = 2 + 2i$.

Solution

(a) Note that this is a path-dependent integral.

$$\int |z|^2 dz = \int (x^2 + y^2)(dx + idy),$$

where $x = y$ and $dx = dy$ so

$$I = \int_0^1 2x^2(1+i)dx = \frac{2(1+i)}{3}.$$

(d) The integral path can be modified to the one along a semicircle of $|z| = 1$ from $\theta = 0$ to $\theta = -\pi$ (clockwise) as one can choose a closed loop that contains $z = 1$ and $z = -1$ but not $z = 0$ (singular point of $1/z$) so that $f(z) = 1/z$ is analytic on and inside such a loop. Thus,

$$\int \frac{1}{z} dz = [\ln z]_1^{\exp(-\pi i)} \quad (1)$$

$$= \ln(e^{-\pi i}) - \ln 1 \quad (2)$$

$$= -\pi i - 0 \quad (3)$$

$$= \boxed{-\pi i}. \quad (4)$$

Note that this integral is independent on the integral path.

(f) This integral is path-dependent as

$$f(z) = \Re z = (z + \bar{z})/2$$

is NOT analytic !. Along the path, one can set

$$z = 3e^{i\theta} \quad (5)$$

$$dz = 3ie^{i\theta} d\theta \quad (6)$$

$$x = 3 \cos \theta \quad (7)$$

so

$$\int_C x(dx + idy) = \int_{\pi/2}^0 (3 \cos \theta)(3ie^{i\theta})d\theta \quad (8)$$

$$= 9i \int_{\pi/2}^0 \cos \theta (\cos \theta + i \sin \theta) d\theta \quad (9)$$

$$= -\frac{9\pi i}{4} + \frac{9}{2}. \quad (10)$$

(g) This is a path dependent integral as $f(z) = y$ is not analytic. Along the path from $z = i$ to $z = 2 + 2i$ one can set

$$x = 2t \quad (11)$$

$$y = 1 + t \quad 0 < t < 1 \quad (12)$$

so that

$$z = x + iy \quad (13)$$

$$= 2t + (1 + t)i \quad (14)$$

$$= i + (2 + i)t \quad (15)$$

and

$$dz = (2 + i)dt \quad (16)$$

so

$$\int_C y(dx + idy) = \int_0^1 (1 + t)(2 + i)dt \quad (17)$$

$$= \frac{3}{2}(2 + i). \quad (18)$$

2. Consider

$$I = \int_C \bar{z} dz,$$

where the initial and final points of C are $z = 0$ and $z = 1 + i$, respectively. Show that the integral is *path independent* by choosing two different paths and obtaining different values for I .

Solution

Since \bar{z} is not analytic (see your class note for why), its integral is path-dependent.

23.3

1. **Problem** According to Example 2,

$$\int_C \frac{dz}{z^2} = 0 \quad (19)$$

where C is a counterclockwise circle of radius R , centered at the origin. Yet $f(z) = 1/z^2$ is not analytic within C , it is singular at $z = 0$. Explain why this result does not violate Cauchy's theorem.

Solution

Cauchy's theorem is a sufficient but NOT necessary condition for

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

i.e. the contour integral being 0 does not necessary imply that the function, $f(z)$, is regular on and inside the contour although the converse is true (Cauchy's theorem !).

2. **Problem** Consider $I = \int_C dz/z$, where C is the counterclockwise unit circle, and the assertion that $I = 0$, from Cauchy's theorem, because $f(z) = 1/z$ is analytic in the domain D containing C . (See the accompanying figure.) Yet we show in Example 2 that $I = 2\pi i$. Explain the apparent contradiction.

Solution

Note that the domain D is not singly-connected (there is a hole) so Cauchy's theorem does not apply.

4.Problem Let C_1, C_2, C_3 be the following simple closed curves:

$C_1 : |z| = 1$, counterclockwise

$C_2 : |z| = 1$, clockwise

C_3 : the square with vertices at $1 - i, 1 + i, -1 + i, -1 - i$, counterclockwise.

Evaluate each of the following integrals using Cauchy's theorem if applicable and partial fractions if necessary.

(a) $\int_{C_1} \operatorname{Re} z dz$

(d) $\int_{C_3} \frac{dz}{z^2-3}$

(g) $\int_{C_2} \frac{dz}{z(z+5)}$

(j) $\int_{C_3} \frac{dz}{|z|}$

Solution

(a) Along C_1 , one can set $z = e^{i\theta}$, $dz = ie^{i\theta} d\theta$, $0 < \theta < 2\pi$, $x = \cos \theta$ and $y = \sin \theta$. So

$$\int_0^{2\pi} \cos \theta i e^{i\theta} d\theta = i \int_0^{2\pi} \cos \theta (\cos \theta + i \sin \theta) d\theta \quad (20)$$

$$= \pi i. \quad (21)$$

(d) Note that both of the singular points, $z = \sqrt{3}$ and $z = -\sqrt{3}$, are outside the contour, C_3 so $f = 0$.

(g) Partial fraction of $1/(z^2+5z)$ is $(1/z - 1/(z+5))/5$ so $z = 0$ is the only singular point inside C_2 . Thereby,

$$\oint_{C_2} \frac{dz}{z(z+5)} = \frac{1}{5} \oint_{C_2} \frac{dz}{z} - \frac{1}{5} \oint_{C_2} \frac{dz}{z+5} \quad (22)$$

$$= -\frac{2\pi i}{5} - 0 \quad (23)$$

$$= \frac{2\pi i}{5}. \quad (24)$$

(j) From $-1 - i$ to $1 - i$, $y = -1$, $dy = 0$ and x varies from -1 to 1 so

$$\int \frac{dz}{|z|} = \int_{-1}^1 \frac{dx}{\sqrt{x^2+1}}.$$

From $1 - i$ to $1 + i$, $x = 1$, $dx = 0$ and y varies from -1 to 1 so

$$\int \frac{dz}{|z|} = \int_{-1}^1 \frac{dy}{\sqrt{y^2+1}}.$$

From $1 + i$ to $-1 + i$, $y = 1$, $dy = 0$ and x varies from 1 to -1 so

$$\int \frac{dz}{|z|} = \int_1^{-1} \frac{dx}{\sqrt{x^2+1}}.$$

From $-1 + i$ to $-1 - i$, $x = -1$, $dx = 0$ and y varies from 1 to -1 so

$$\int \frac{dz}{|z|} = \int_1^{-1} \frac{dy}{\sqrt{y^2+1}}.$$

Adding the four integrals above amounts to $\boxed{0}$ (not because of Cauchy's theorem !!)

5.Problem Can we use path deformation to obtain

$$\int_{C_3} \bar{z}dz = \int_{C_1} \bar{z}dz, \quad (25)$$

where C_1 and C_3 are defined in Exercise 4 ? Explain.

Solution

The formula,

$$\oint_{C_1} f(z)dz = \oint_{C_2} f(z)dz \quad (26)$$

is true if $f(z)$ has isolated singular points. \bar{z} is singular everywhere except for $z = 0$. So this is NOT TRUE.

Here is a direct approach.

Along C_1 :

$$x = \cos \theta, \quad y = \sin \theta$$

so

$$dx = -\sin \theta, \quad dy = \cos \theta$$

$$\oint (x - iy)(dx + idy) = \oint (\cos \theta - i \sin \theta)(-\sin \theta + i \cos \theta)d\theta = \int_0^{2\pi} i d\theta = 2\pi i.$$

Along C_3 :

1. From $z = -1 - i$ to $z = 1 - i$, $y = -1$, $dy = 0$, x varies from -1 to 1. So

$$\int \bar{z}dz = \int_{-1}^1 (x + i)dx = 2i.$$

2. From $z = 1 - i$ to $z = 1 + i$, $x = 1$, $dx = 0$, y varies from -1 to 1. So

$$\int \bar{z}dz = \int_{-1}^1 (1 - iy)idy = 2i.$$

3. From $z = 1 + i$ to $z = -1 + i$, $y = 1$, $dy = 0$, x varies from 1 to -1. so

$$\int \bar{z}dz = \int_1^{-1} (x - i)idx = 2i.$$

4. From $z = -1 + i$ to $z = -1 - i$, $x = -1$, $dx = 0$, y varies from 1 to -1. so

$$\int \bar{z}dz = \int_1^{-1} (-1 - iy)idy = 2i.$$

So

$$\oint_{C_3} \bar{z}dz = 8i.$$

6.Problem Evaluate $\int_C z^{20}dz$, where C is the path

- (a) $y = x - x^3$ from $x = 0$ to $x = 1$

Solution

(a) As z^{20} is analytic, its integration is independent of the path. Thereby, take the straight line from $(0,0)$ to $(1,0)$ instead of the given curve.

$$\int_C z^{20} dz = \int_0^1 x^{20} dx = \frac{1}{21}.$$

8. Problem (*Path deformation in multiply-connected domain*) Show that if $f(z)$ is analytic in the shaded region between and on the contours C, C_1, C_2 (see the accompanying figure), then

$$\int_C f(z) dz = \int_{C_1} f(z) dz + \int_{C_2} f(z) dz. \quad (27)$$

You may use the result stated in Exercise 3. NOTE: More generally,

$$\int_C f(z) dz = \int_{C_1} f(z) dz + \cdots + \int_{C_n} f(z) dz \quad (28)$$

if C_1, \dots, C_n are non-intersecting counterclockwise closed contours within C , and f is analytic between and on C, C_1, \dots, C_n .

Solution

Shown in class.

9. Problem Evaluate the following integrals, where in each case C is the circle $|z| = 3$, counterclockwise.

(a) $\int_C \frac{dz}{z(z-1)}$

(d) $\int_C \frac{z dz}{z^2 - 3z + 2}$

Solution

(a)

$$\oint \frac{dz}{z(z-1)} = \oint \frac{dz}{z-1} - \oint \frac{dz}{z} = 2\pi i - 2\pi i = 0.$$

(d)

$$\oint \frac{z dz}{(z-1)(z-2)} = - \oint \frac{dz}{z-1} + 2 \oint \frac{dz}{z-2} = -2\pi i + 2(2\pi i) = 2\pi i.$$

23.4**3. Problem**

Use the fundamental theorem to evaluate each of the following.

(a) $\int_0^i z dz$

(b) $\int_{-i}^i z^4 dz$

(c) $\int_4^{-1-2i} (e^{-z} - 3z^2) dz$

(d) $\int_i^0 \cos 3z dz$

(e) $\int_{1-i}^{1+i} ze^z dz$

(f) $\int_4^{-i} z \sin z dz$

(g) $\int_0^{3i} ze^{z^2} dz$

(h) $\int_0^{1+2i} \sin^2 z dz$

- (i) $\int_{-2i}^3 z \cos 2z \, dz$
(j) $\int_i^{2+i} \cosh 3z \, dz$
(k) $\int_0^i \cos^3 z \, dz$
(l) $\int_i^1 z^2 e^{2z^3} \, dz$

Solution

(a)

$$\int_0^i z \, dz = \left[\frac{z^2}{2} \right]_0^i = -1/2.$$

(d)

$$\int_i^0 \cos 3z \, dz = \left[\frac{\sin 3z}{3} \right]_i^0 = -\frac{\sin 3i}{3}.$$

(g)

$$\int_0^{3i} z e^{z^2} \, dz = \left[\frac{e^{z^2}}{2} \right]_0^{3i} = \frac{1}{2e^9} - \frac{1}{2}.$$

4. Problem

Determine all possible values of

$$I = \int_{1-i}^{1+i} \frac{dz}{z(z-1)}.$$

Solution Note that

$$\ln A - \ln B = \ln \frac{A}{B} \tag{29}$$

is also true for complex numbers.

$$I = \int_{1-i}^{1+i} \frac{dz}{z-1} - \int_{1-i}^{1+i} \frac{dz}{z} \tag{30}$$

$$= [\ln(z-1)]_{1-i}^{1+i} - [\ln z]_{1-i}^{1+i} \tag{31}$$

$$= \ln i - \ln(-i) - (\ln(1+i) + \ln(1-i)) \tag{32}$$

$$= \ln \left(\frac{i}{-i} \right) - \ln \left(\frac{1+i}{1-i} \right) \tag{33}$$

$$= \ln(-1) - \ln(i) \tag{34}$$

$$= \ln \left(\frac{-1}{i} \right) \tag{35}$$

$$= \ln(i) \tag{36}$$

$$= \left(\frac{\pi}{2} + 2n\pi \right) i, \quad n = 0, \pm 1, \pm 2 \dots \tag{37}$$

23.5

1. Problem Evaluate each integral, where C is the counterclockwise circle $|z| = 3$. Use Cauchy's integral formula or its extension.

$$(a) \oint_C \frac{\cos z}{z} dz (d) \oint_C \frac{z^2 - 1}{z^2 + 1} e^z dz (g) \oint_C \frac{\sinh 3z}{(z^2 + 1)^2} dz (i) \oint_C \frac{e^{z^2}}{z \cos(z/2)} dz (j) \oint_C \frac{z}{(z+i)(z^2+1)} dz$$

Solution

(a) $I = 2\pi i \cos z|_{z=0} = 2\pi i.$

(d) Note that

$$\frac{1}{z^2 + 1} = \frac{1}{2i} \left(\frac{1}{z - i} - \frac{1}{z + i} \right) \tag{38}$$

so

$$I = \oint \frac{1}{2i} \left(\frac{z^2 - 1}{z - i} e^z - \frac{z^2 - 1}{z + i} e^z \right) dz \tag{39}$$

$$= [\pi i(z^2 - 1)e^z]_{z=i} - [\pi i(z^2 - 1)e^z]_{z=-i} \tag{40}$$

$$= \pi i(i^2 - 1)e^i - \pi i((-i)^2 - 1)e^{-i} \tag{41}$$

$$= -4\pi i \sin 1. \tag{42}$$

(g)

$$I = \oint_{C_1} \frac{\sinh 3z dz}{(z+i)^2(z-i)^2} + \oint_{C_2} \frac{\sinh 3z dz}{(z+i)^2(z-i)^2} \tag{43}$$

$$= \frac{2\pi i}{1!} \frac{d}{dz} \frac{\sinh 3z}{(z+i)^2} \Big|_{z=i} + \frac{2\pi i}{1!} \frac{d}{dz} \frac{\sinh 3z}{(z-i)^2} \Big|_{z=-i} \tag{44}$$

$$= 2\pi i \left(-\frac{3 \cos 3}{4} + \frac{\sin 3}{4} \right) + 2\pi i \left(-\frac{3 \cos 3}{4} + \frac{\sin 3}{4} \right) \tag{45}$$

$$= \pi i (\sin 3 - 3 \cos 3). \tag{46}$$

where C_1 is a little circle around $z = i$ and C_2 is a little circle around $z = -i$.

(j) Note that

$$f(z) = \frac{z}{(z+i)^2(z-i)} \tag{47}$$

$$\oint_C \frac{z}{(z+i)^2(z-i)} dz = \oint_{C_1} \frac{g(z)}{z-i} dz + \oint_{C_2} \frac{h(z)}{(z+i)^2} dz \tag{48}$$

$$= 2\pi i g(i) + 2\pi i h'(i) \tag{49}$$

$$= 2\pi i \frac{i}{(2i)^2} + 2\pi i \frac{-i}{(-2i)^2} \tag{50}$$

$$= 0 \tag{51}$$

where $g(z) = z/(z+i)^2$, $h(z) = z/(z-i)$, C_1 is a loop that encircles $z = i$ and C_2 is a loop that encircles $z = -i$.

2.

Problem (*Important little integral*) In Section 23.3 we show that

$$\oint_C (z-a)^n dz = \begin{cases} 2\pi i & (n = -1) \\ 0 & (n \neq -1), \end{cases} \tag{2.1}$$

where n is any integer and a is within the contour C . Derive (2.1) using Cauchy's theorem, the Cauchy integral formula, and the generalized Cauchy integral formula.

Solution

If $n \geq 0$, $I = 0$ by the Cauchy's theorem. If $n = -1$, $I = 2\pi i(1)|_{z=a} = 2\pi i$ by the Cauchy's integral formula. If $n < -1$,

$$I = \frac{2\pi i}{(n-1)!} \frac{d^{n-1}}{dz^{n-1}}(1)|_{z=a} = 0.$$

3. Problem (a) Show from (22) that if C is a circle of radius ρ with center at z , $f(z)$ is analytic inside and on C , and M is the maximum value of $|f(z)|$ on C , then

$$|f^{(n)}(z)| \leq \frac{n!M}{\rho^n}. \tag{3.1}$$

(b) (*Liouville's theorem*) Use (3.1) to prove **Liouville's theorem**: *If f is entire (i.e., analytic for all finite z) and bounded for all z , then f is a constant.*

(c) Since $f(z) = \sin z$ is entire and not a constant, it must not be bounded (according to Liouville's theorem). Demonstrate that, in fact, it is not bounded.

(d) (*Fundamental theorem of algebra*) Use Liouville's theorem to prove the **Fundamental theorem of algebra**: *if $P(z)$ is a polynomial function of z , of degree 1 or greater,*

$$P(z) = a_n z^n + a_{n-1} z^{n-1} + \dots + a_0 \quad (a_n \neq 0)$$

then $P(z) = 0$ has at least one root. **HINT**: Suppose that $P(z)$ is nonzero everywhere. Then $f(z) = 1/P(z)$ is analytic everywhere and is bounded.

Solution

(a) According to eq.(22),

$$f^{(n)}(a) = \frac{n!}{2\pi i} \oint \frac{f(z)}{(z-a)^{n+1}} dz \tag{3.2}$$

so

$$|f^{(n)}(a)| \leq \frac{n!}{2\pi} \oint \frac{|f(z)|}{|z-a|^{n+1}} dz \tag{3.3}$$

$$\leq \frac{n!}{2\pi} \frac{M}{\rho^{n+1}} \oint |dz| \tag{3.4}$$

$$= \frac{n!}{2\pi} \frac{M}{\rho^{n+1}} 2\pi\rho \tag{3.5}$$

$$= \frac{n!M}{\rho} \tag{3.6}$$

(b) Let $n = 1$, then $|f'(z)| \leq \frac{M}{\rho}$. Because ρ can be arbitrarily large, it follows that $f'(z)$ can be arbitrarily small, i.e., $f'(z) = 0$ for each z so that $f(z)$ is a constant.

(c) For example, $|\sin yi| \rightarrow \infty$ as $y \rightarrow \infty$.

(d) Will be shown in class.