

Mathematics 552 Homework.

Theorem 1. Let D be an open domain in \mathbb{C} and $f(z)$ a function that has an anti-derivative in D . That is there is a function $F(z)$ such that

$$F'(z) = f(z)$$

in D . Then for any curve γ in D we have the following form of the fundamental theorem of calculus:

$$\int_{\gamma} f(z) dz = F(z) \Big|_{\gamma_{\text{initial}}}^{\gamma_{\text{end}}} = F(\gamma_{\text{end}}) - F(\gamma_{\text{initial}})$$

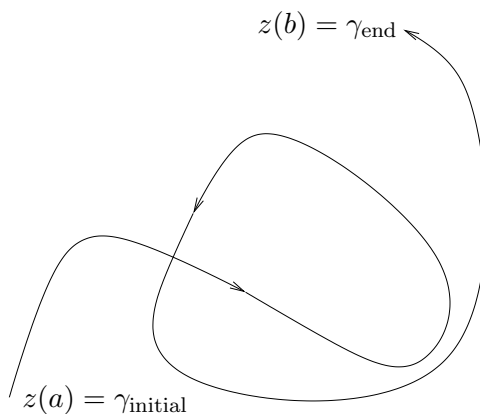
where γ_{initial} is the initial (beginning) point of γ and γ_{end} is the end point of γ .

Proof. Let $z(t) = x(t) + iy(t)$ for $a \leq t \leq b$ be a parameterization of γ . Then

$$z(a) = \gamma_{\text{initial}}, \quad z(b) = \gamma_{\text{end}}$$

and

$$dz = z'(t) dt$$



Then

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{\gamma} f(z) dz &= \int_a^b f(z) z'(t) dt && \text{(def. of the line integral)} \\ &= \int_a^b F'(z(t)) z'(t) dt && \text{(Using } F'(z) = f(z)) \\ &= \int_a^b \frac{d}{dt} F(z(t)) dt && \text{(chain rule)} \\ &= F(z(b)) - F(z(a)) && \text{(math 141 version of fund. thm of calculus)} \\ &= F(\gamma_{\text{end}}) - F(\gamma_{\text{initial}}) \end{aligned}$$

□

Recall that a curve is **closed** if and only if $\gamma_{\text{initial}} = \gamma_{\text{end}}$. That is if and only if γ starts and ends at the same point. The following is a special case of the previous result, but is important enough to be called a theorem in its own right.

Theorem 2. *Let $f(z)$ have an antiderivative on the open domain D . Then for any closed curve γ in D*

$$\int_{\gamma} f(z) dz = 0.$$

Proof.

$$\int_{\gamma} f(z) dz = F(\gamma_{\text{end}}) - F(\gamma_{\text{initial}}) = 0. \quad \square$$

This implies that if there is a closed curve in D such that

$$\int_{\gamma} f(z) dz \neq 0$$

then $f(z)$ does not have an antiderivative in D .

For the next couple of problems let D_a be the complex plane punctured at a . That is

$$D_a = \{z \in \mathbb{C} : z \neq a\}.$$

Problem 1. Let γ be a closed curve in D_a and let

$$f(z) = (z - a)^n$$

where n is an integer with $n \neq -1$. Show

$$\int_{\gamma} f(z) dz = \int_{\gamma} \frac{dz}{z - a} = 0.$$

Hint: By Theorem 1 it is enough to show that $f(z)$ has an antiderivative $F(z)$. You should be able to give an explicit formula for $F(z)$. \square

Problem 2. (a) Let

$$f(z) = \frac{1}{z - a}$$

in the domain D_a . Let $r > 0$ and let γ be the circle $|z - a| = r$ traversed in the positive (that is counterclockwise) direction. Compute

$$\int_{\gamma} f(z) dz$$

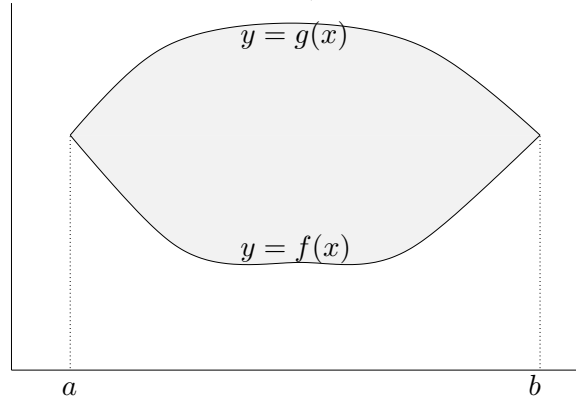
or being more explicit compute

$$\int_{|z-a|=r} \frac{dz}{z - a}.$$

Hint: The circle $|z - a| = r$ is parameterized by $z(t) = a + re^{it}$ with $0 \leq t \leq 2\pi$. With this parameterization the integral should simplify a lot.

(b) Use your answer to explain why $f(z)$ has no antiderivative in D_a . \square

Theorem 3 (Green's Theorem Part 1). *Let D be a domain as shown:*



Then

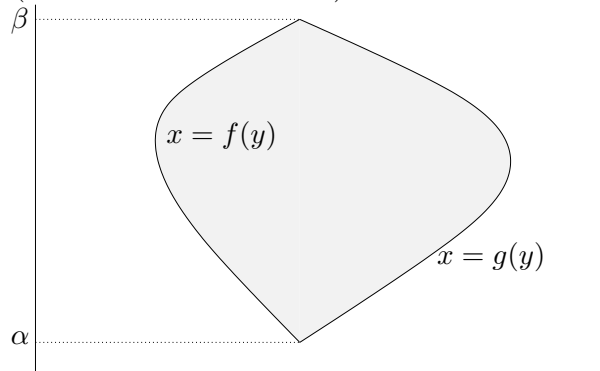
$$\int_{\partial D} P(x, y) dx = - \iint_D P_y(x, y) dx dy$$

Proof. Using the standard convention that we transverse the boundary keeping the inside on the left we have that

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{\partial D} P(x, y) dx &= \int_a^b P(x, f(x)) dx - \int_a^b P(x, g(x)) dx \\ &= - \int_a^b (P(x, g(x)) - P(x, f(x))) dx \\ &= - \int_a^b \int_{f(x)}^{g(x)} \frac{\partial P}{\partial y}(x, y) dy dx \quad (\text{by Fundamental Theorem of Calculus}) \\ &= - \iint_D \frac{\partial P}{\partial y}(x, y) dx dy \end{aligned}$$

as required. \square

Theorem 4 (Green's Theorem Part 2). *Let D be a domain as shown:*



Then

$$\int_{\partial D} Q(x, y) dy = \iint_D \frac{\partial Q}{\partial x}(x, y) dx dy$$

Proof. Again orienting the direction moving around the curve so that the inside is on the left we have

$$\begin{aligned}
\int_{\partial D} Q(x, y) dx dy &= \int_{\alpha}^{\beta} Q(g(y), y) dy - \int_{\alpha}^{\beta} Q(f(y), y) dy \\
&= \int_{\alpha}^{\beta} (Q(g(y), y) - Q(f(y), y)) dy \\
&= \int_{\alpha}^{\beta} \int_{f(y)}^{g(y)} \frac{\partial Q}{\partial x}(x, y) dx dy \quad (\text{by Fundamental Theorem of Calculus}) \\
&= \iint_D \frac{\partial Q}{\partial x}(x, y) dx dy
\end{aligned}$$

which is what we were to prove. \square

Theorem 5 (Green's Theorem). *Let D be a bounded domain with a nice boundary and let $P(x, y)$ and $Q(x, y)$ be functions that have continuous partial derivative on D and its boundary. Then*

$$\int_{\partial D} P dx + Q dy = \iint_D (-P_y + Q_x) dx dy.$$

Proof. This basically is just the two versions of Green's Theorem we have already done added together. \square

Theorem 6 (Cauchy Integral Theorem). *Let D be a bounded domain and $f(z) = u + iv$ be a function that satisfies the Cauchy-Riemann Equations (i.e. if $f(z)$ is analytic) on D and its boundary. Then*

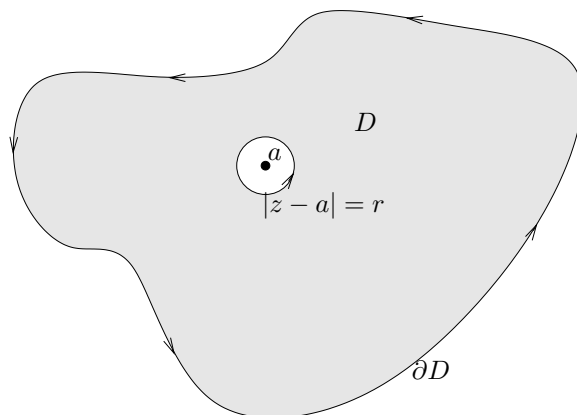
$$\int_{\partial D} f(z) dz = 0.$$

Proof. This is an almost straightforward application of Green's Theorem and the Cauchy-Riemann equations:

$$\begin{aligned}
\int_{\partial D} f(z) dz &= \int_{\partial D} (u + iv)(dx + idy) \\
&= \int_{\partial D} u dx - v dy + i \int_{\partial D} v dx + u dy \\
&= \iint_D (-u_y - v_x) dx dy + i \iint_D (-v_y + u_x) dx dy \quad (\text{by Green's Theorem}) \\
&= \iint_D (-u_y + u_y) dx dy + i \iint_D (-u_x + u_x) dx dy \quad (\text{by CR equations}) \\
&= 0
\end{aligned}$$

and we are done. \square

Problem 3. Let $f(z)$ be analytic in a domain D and let $a \in K$. Let $r > 0$ be so small that the disk $|z - a| \leq r$ is contained in D as in this figure



(a) Use the Cauchy Integral Theorem to show

$$\int_{\partial D} \frac{f(z)}{z-a} dz = \int_{|z-a|=r} \frac{f(z)}{z-a} dz.$$

Be sure to say why Cauchy Integral Formula applies.

(b) Use Part (a) and the parameterization of $|z-a|=r$ given by $z = a + re^{it}$ with $0 \leq t \leq 2\pi$ to show

$$\int_{\partial D} \frac{f(z)}{z-a} dz = \int_{|z-a|=r} \frac{f(z)}{z-a} dz = i \int_0^{2\pi} f(a + re^{it}) dt.$$

Problem 4. With the same set up as in Problem 1 explain why

$$\lim_{r \rightarrow 0^+} \int_0^{2\pi} f(a + re^{it}) dt = 2\pi f(a)$$

and use this to show

$$\int_{\partial D} \frac{f(z)}{z-a} dz = 2\pi i f(a).$$

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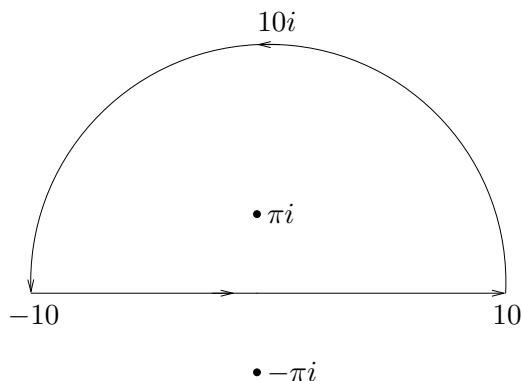
You have just proven what may be the most important result in Complex Analysis:

Theorem 7 (Cauchy Integral Formula). *Let D be a bounded domain with nice boundary and $f(z)$ be analytic on D and its boundary. Then for any point $a \in D$*

$$f(a) = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{\partial D} \frac{f(z) dz}{z-a}.$$

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Example 8. Consider the following path:



We now use the Cauchy Integral formula to evaluate

$$\int_{\gamma} \frac{e^z}{z^2 + \pi^2} dz.$$

This function is analytic except where the denominator becomes zero. That is where $z^2 + \pi^2 = 0$. Note that $z^2 + \pi^2 = (z - \pi i)(z + \pi i)$. So that the bad points are $z = \pi i$ and $z = -\pi i$. Thus our integral becomes

$$\int_{\gamma} \frac{e^z}{(z - \pi i)(z + \pi i)} dz.$$

We only need to work about the point πi as it is the only non-analytic point inside of γ . Rewrite the integral as

$$\int_{\gamma} \frac{e^z/(z + \pi i)}{(z - \pi i)} dz = \int_{\gamma} \frac{f(z)}{(z - \pi i)} dz$$

where

$$f(z) = \frac{e^z}{z + \pi i}.$$

The function $f(z)$ is analytic inside of γ . So by the Cauchy integral formula

$$\int_{\gamma} \frac{e^z}{z^2 + \pi^2} dz = \int_{\gamma} \frac{f(z)}{(z - \pi i)} dz = 2\pi i f(\pi i) = 2\pi i \frac{e^{\pi i}}{\pi i + \pi i} = e^{\pi i} = -1.$$

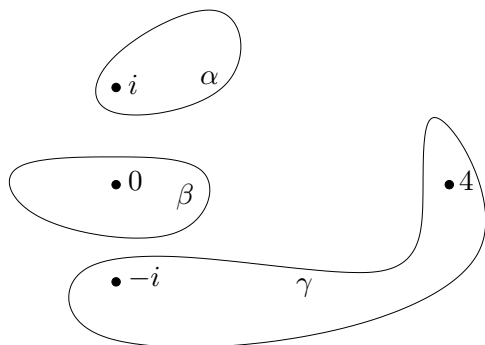
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Problem 5. Let z_1 be a complex number and γ a simple closed curve that does not pass through z_1 . Show

$$\int_{\gamma} \frac{dz}{z - z_1} = \begin{cases} 2\pi i, & \text{if } z_1 \text{ is inside of } \gamma, \\ 0, & \text{if } z_1 \text{ is outside of } \gamma. \end{cases}$$

Hint: Use part (d) of Problem 2, or the Cauchy Integral Formula, with $f(z) = 1$, D the region inside of γ , and $z = z_1$.

Problem 6. The following figure shows the points i , $-i$, 0 , and 4 along with three paths α , β , and γ .



Use the Cauchy integral formula to

(a) Evaluate $\int_{\alpha} \frac{2z+1}{z(z-4)(z^2+1)} dz$,

(b) Evaluate $\int_{\beta} \frac{2z+1}{z(z-4)(z^2+1)} dz$,

(c) Evaluate $\int_{\gamma} \frac{2z+1}{z(z-4)(z^2+1)} dz$.