

Thm (Goursat)

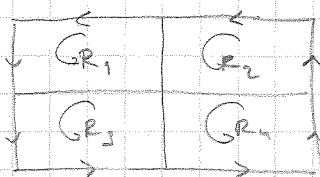
Let  $R$  be a rectangle, and let  $f$  be analytic on  $R$ .

Then,

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

Proof: Decompose  $R$  into four sub-rectangles by

bisecting the sides:



$$\text{Then, } \int_{\partial R} f dz = \sum_{j=1}^4 \int_{\partial R_j} f dz$$

$$\Rightarrow \left| \int_{\partial R} f dz \right| \leq \sum_{j=1}^4 \left| \int_{\partial R_j} f dz \right|$$

So there is some rectangle  $R^{(1)}$  among  $R_1, R_2, R_3, R_4$  s.t.

$$\left| \int_{\partial R^{(1)}} f dz \right| \geq \frac{1}{4} \left| \int_{\partial R} f dz \right|$$

Next decompose  $R^{(1)}$  into four sub-rectangles by

bisecting the sides. Similarly one of these, say  $R^{(2)}$ ,

satisfies

$$\left| \int_{\partial R^{(2)}} f dz \right| \geq \frac{1}{4} \left| \int_{\partial R^{(1)}} f dz \right| \geq \frac{1}{4^2} \left| \int_{\partial R} f dz \right|$$

We continue to obtain a seq. of rectangles

$$R^{(1)} \supseteq R^{(2)} \supseteq R^{(3)} \supseteq \dots$$

Clearly,

$$\left| \int_{\partial R^{(n)}} f dz \right| \geq \frac{1}{4^n} \left| \int_{\partial R} f dz \right|.$$

(2)

Let  $L$  be the length of  $\partial R$  and  $L_n$  the length of  $\partial R^{(n)}$ . Clearly then

$$L_n = \frac{1}{2^n} L$$

It is not difficult to show that  $\bigcap_{n=1}^{\infty} R^{(n)}$

consists of a single point  $z_0$ . Since  $f$  is

differentiable at  $z_0$ ,

$$\frac{f(z) - f(z_0)}{z - z_0} - f'(z_0) \rightarrow 0, \quad z \rightarrow z_0$$

let  $\varepsilon > 0$  be given. Then  $\exists \delta > 0$  s.t.

$$0 < |z - z_0| < \delta \Rightarrow \left| \frac{f(z) - f(z_0)}{z - z_0} - f'(z_0) \right| < \varepsilon,$$

i.e.

$$|f(z) - f(z_0) - f'(z_0)(z - z_0)| \leq \varepsilon |z - z_0|, \quad |z - z_0| < \delta.$$

Choose  $n$  so large that  $R^{(n)}$  belongs to the

disk  $|z - z_0| < \delta$ . Then

$$\begin{aligned} \left| \int_{\partial R} f(z) dz \right| &\leq 4^n \left| \int_{\partial R^{(n)}} f(z) dz \right| = \\ &= 4^n \left| \int_{\partial R^{(n)}} \left( \overset{0}{f(z) - f(z_0)} - \overset{0}{f'(z_0)(z - z_0)} \right) dz \right| \leq \\ &\stackrel{ML-est}{\leq} 4^n \cdot \varepsilon \frac{1}{2^n} \text{diam } R \cdot \frac{1}{2^n} L = L \cdot \text{diam } R \cdot \varepsilon, \end{aligned}$$

where  $\text{diam } R$  is the length of the diagonal of  $R$ .

$$\text{True for any } \varepsilon > 0 \Rightarrow \int_{\partial R} f dz = 0$$

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Thm Let  $D$  be an open disc centered at  $z_0$ .

Let  $f$  be continuous in  $D$ , and assume that

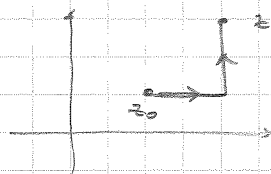
for each rectangle  $R$  contained in  $D$  we have

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

For any point  $z \in D$ , define

$$F(z) = \int_{\Gamma_z} f(s) ds$$

where  $\Gamma_z$  is the contour below:



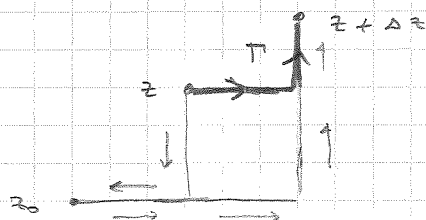
$$\text{Then, } F'(z) = f(z).$$

Proof: As in the proof of the path indep.

theorem we have that

$$\frac{F(z+\Delta z) - F(z)}{\Delta z} = f(z) + \frac{1}{\Delta z} \int_{\Gamma} (f(s) - f(z)) ds,$$

where  $\Gamma$  is the contour shown below:



By the ML-Reg.

$$\begin{aligned} \left| \frac{1}{\Delta z} \int_{\Gamma} (f(s) - f(z)) ds \right| &\leq \frac{1}{|\Delta z|} \max_{s \in \Gamma} |f(s) - f(z)| \cdot \underbrace{(|\Delta x| + |\Delta y|)}_{\leq 2|\Delta z|} \\ &\leq 2 \max_{s \in \Gamma} |f(s) - f(z)| \rightarrow 0 \text{ by cont.} \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{So, } F'(z) = f(z).$$

Combining the two theorems above with the

indep. of path theorem, we get the following

local result:

Thm Let  $D$  be an open disk and suppose

that  $f$  is analytic in  $D$ . Then  $f$  has an

antiderivative in  $D$ , contour integrals are

indep. of path, and integrals over closed

contours are 0.

Homotopy Let  $D$  be a domain,  $I = [0, 1]$ .

Def 1 Suppose that  $\gamma_0, \gamma_1 : I \rightarrow D$  are continuous and that  $\gamma_0(0) = \gamma_1(0) = z_0, \gamma_0(1) = \gamma_1(1) = z_1$ .

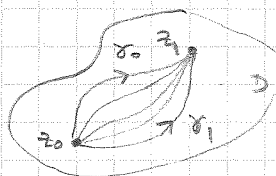
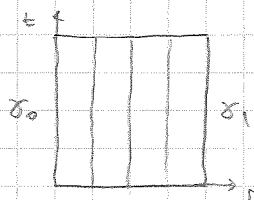
We say that  $\gamma_0$  is homotopic to  $\gamma_1$  with endpoints fixed in  $D$  if there is a continuous mapping  $H : I \times I \rightarrow D$  s.t.

$$(i) \quad H(0, t) = \gamma_0(t) \quad \forall t \in I$$

$$(ii) \quad H(1, t) = \gamma_1(t) \quad \forall t \in I$$

$$(iii) \quad H(s, 0) = z_0, \quad H(s, 1) = z_1, \quad \forall s \in I$$

See figure:



$$\gamma_s(t) = H(s, t)$$

Def 2 Suppose that  $\gamma_0, \gamma_1 : I \rightarrow D$  are continuous

and that  $\gamma_0(0) = \gamma_0(1) = z_0, \gamma_1(0) = \gamma_1(1) = z_1$  (closed curves)

We say that  $\gamma_0$  and  $\gamma_1$  are homotopic as

closed curves in  $D$  if there is a continuous

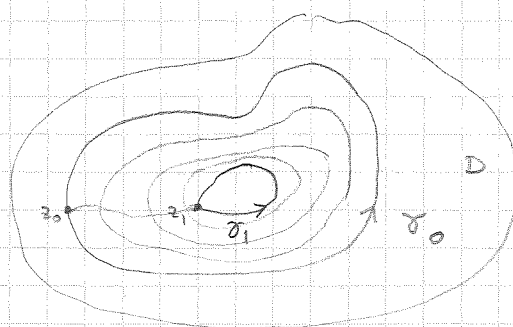
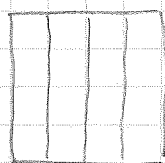
mapping  $H : I \times I \rightarrow D$  s.t.

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$$(iii) \quad H(s, 0) = H(s, 1) \quad \forall s \in I$$

See Figure :



$$\gamma_s(t) = H(s, t)$$

Def A domain  $D$  is called simply connected if every closed curve in  $D$  is homotopic to a point (= constant closed curve) in  $D$ .

Thm (Deformation thm)

Suppose that  $f$  is analytic in a domain  $D$ .

(i) If  $\Gamma_0$  and  $\Gamma_1$  are contours from  $z_0$  to  $z_1$  which are homotopic with endpoints fixed in  $D$ , then

$$\int_{\Gamma_0} f(z) dz = \int_{\Gamma_1} f(z) dz$$

(ii) If  $\Gamma_0$  and  $\Gamma_1$  are closed contours which are homotopic as closed curves in  $D$ , then

$$\int_{\Gamma_0} f(z) dz = \int_{\Gamma_1} f(z) dz$$

Proof:  $H: I \times I \rightarrow \mathbb{D}$  homotopy from  $\pi_0$  to  $\pi_1$

$H(I \times I)$  is a compact subset of  $\mathbb{D}$ , open.

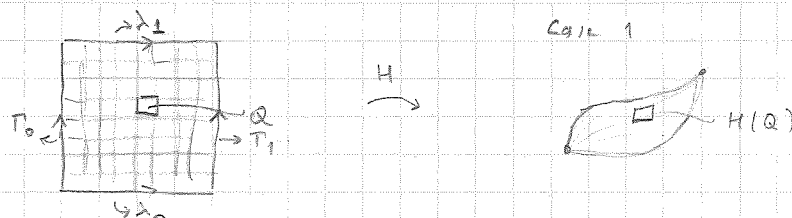
$\Rightarrow \exists \varepsilon > 0$  s.t.  $\forall z \in H(I \times I)$  the disk  $D_\varepsilon(z) \subset \mathbb{D}$ .

$H$  is uniformly continuous  $\Rightarrow \exists \delta > 0$  s.t.

$$|(s, t) - (\tilde{s}, \tilde{t})| < \delta \Rightarrow |H(s, t) - H(\tilde{s}, \tilde{t})| < \varepsilon.$$

Subdivide  $I \times I$  into subsquares  $Q$  with  $\text{diam } Q < \delta$ .

See Figure:



For every subsquare  $Q$ ,  $H(Q)$  belongs to a disk

contained in  $\mathbb{D}$ . Orient each  $\partial Q$  counterclockwise,

and  $H(\partial Q)$  accordingly. By Cauchy's integral theorem for a disk

$$\Rightarrow \int_{H(\partial Q)} f(z) dz = 0 \quad \forall Q.$$

$$\Rightarrow 0 = \sum_Q \int_{H(\partial Q)} f(z) dz = \int_{H(\partial(I \times I))} f(z) dz$$

$$= \int_{\lambda_0} + \int_{\pi_1} - \int_{\lambda_1} - \int_{\pi_0}$$

$$(i) \quad \lambda_0, \lambda_1 \text{ constant} \Rightarrow \int_{\lambda_0} = \int_{\lambda_1} = 0 \Rightarrow \int_{\pi_0} = \int_{\pi_1}$$

$$(ii) \quad \lambda_0 = \lambda_1 \Rightarrow \int_{\lambda_0} = \int_{\lambda_1} \Rightarrow \int_{\pi_0} = \int_{\pi_1}$$

Remark: One can argue that the above proof only works for a smooth loop. Now, if

$\gamma: I \rightarrow D$  is a contour, then we can

find a partition  $P = \{t_0, \dots, t_n\}$  of  $I$ ,

$$0 = t_0 < t_1 < \dots < t_n = 1$$

s.t.  $\gamma([t_i, t_{i+1}])$  belongs to a disk  $D_i$

contained in  $D$ . If  $F_i$  is an antiderivative

for  $f$  in  $D_i$  then letting  $\gamma_i$  denote the

restriction of  $\gamma$  to  $[t_i, t_{i+1}]$ , it follows that

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{\gamma} f(z) dz &= \sum_{i=1}^{n-1} \int_{\gamma_i} f(z) dz = \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^{n-1} \left( F_i(\gamma(t_{i+1})) - F_i(\gamma(t_i)) \right) \quad (*) \end{aligned}$$

For any continuous curve  $\gamma: [0, 1] \rightarrow D$  one

can define  $\int_{\gamma} f(z) dz$ , if  $f$  is analytic in  $D$ , by (\*)

for any partition  $P$  of  $[0, 1]$  s.t.  $\gamma([t_i, t_{i+1}])$

belongs to a disk  $D_i$ ,  $D_i \subset D$ , and  $F_i$  is an

antiderivative of  $f$  in  $D_i$ . Independent of the

choice of  $P$ ,  $D_i$  and  $F_i$ !



Corollary

Suppose that  $f$  is analytic in a simply connected domain, and let  $\Gamma$  be any closed contour in  $D$ . Then,

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