

12.C CAUCHY'S THEOREM FOR DERIVATIVES

Note Title

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Theorem (Cauchy's Theorem for Derivatives)

If $f(z)$ is analytic in a domain D , then $f(z)$ has derivatives of all orders in D , which are then also analytic functions in D . The values of these derivatives at a point z_0 in D are given by the formulas

$$f'(z_0) = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \oint_C \frac{f(z)}{(z-z_0)^2} dz, \quad f''(z_0) = \frac{2!}{2\pi i} \oint_C \frac{f(z)}{(z-z_0)^3} dz, \quad \dots$$
$$f^{(n)}(z_0) = \frac{n!}{2\pi i} \oint_C \frac{f(z)}{(z-z_0)^{n+1}} dz \quad (n=1,2,3,\dots)$$

We also have the most useful reformulation

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



Example 1: For any contour enclosing πi (counterclockwise) we have

$$\begin{aligned} \rightarrow \oint_C \frac{\cos z}{(z-\pi i)^2} dz &= \frac{2\pi i}{1!} (\cos z)' \Big|_{z=\pi i} \\ &= -2\pi i \sin \pi i = 2\pi \sinh \pi \end{aligned}$$

Example 2: For any contour enclosing $-i$ (counterclockwise) we have

$$\rightarrow \oint_C \frac{z^4 - 3z^2 + 6}{(z+i)^4} dz = \frac{2\pi i}{3!} (z^4 - 3z^2 + 6)''' \Big|_{z=-i} = \frac{2\pi i}{6} [24z]_{z=-i} = 8\pi$$

Example 3: For any contour for which 1 lies inside and $\pm 2i$ outside (counterclockwise).

$$\begin{aligned} \rightarrow \oint_C \frac{e^z}{(z-1)^2(z^2+4)} dz &= \frac{2\pi i}{1!} \left(\frac{e^z}{z^2+4} \right)' \Big|_{z=1} = 2\pi i \frac{e^z(z^2+4) - e^z 2z}{(z^2+4)^2} \Big|_{z=1} \\ &= \frac{6e\pi}{25} i \approx 2.05 i \end{aligned}$$