

## Real Integrals

# Definite Integrals

- If  $F(x)$  is an antiderivative of a continuous function  $f$ , i.e.,  $F$  is a function for which  $F'(x) = f(x)$ , then the **definite integral** of  $f$  on the interval  $[a, b]$  is the number

$$\int_a^b f(x) dx = F(x) \Big|_a^b = F(b) - F(a).$$

- **Example:**  $\int_{-1}^2 x^2 dx = \frac{1}{3}x^3 \Big|_{-1}^2 = \frac{8}{3} - \frac{-1}{3} = 3.$
- The fundamental theorem of calculus is a method of evaluating  $\int_a^b f(x) dx$ ; it is not the definition of  $\int_a^b f(x) dx$ .
- We next define:
  - The definite (or Riemann) integral of a function  $f$ ;
  - Line integrals in the Cartesian plane.

Both definitions rest on the limit concept.

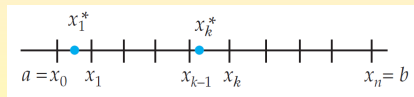
# Steps Leading to the Definition of the Definite Integral

1. Let  $f$  be a function of a single variable  $x$  defined at all points in a closed interval  $[a, b]$ .
2. Let  $P$  be a partition:

$$a = x_0 < x_1 < x_2 < \cdots < x_{n-1} < x_n = b$$

of  $[a, b]$  into  $n$  subintervals  $[x_{k-1}, x_k]$  of length  $\Delta x_k = x_k - x_{k-1}$ .

3. Let  $\|P\|$  be the **norm** of the partition  $P$  of  $[a, b]$ , i.e., the length of the longest subinterval.
4. Choose a number  $x_k^*$  in each subinterval  $[x_{k-1}, x_k]$  of  $[a, b]$ .



5. Form  $n$  products  $f(x_k^*)\Delta x_k$ ,  $k = 1, 2, \dots, n$ , and then sum these products:

$$\sum_{k=1}^n f(x_k^*)\Delta x_k.$$

# The Definition of the Definite Integral

## Definition (Definite Integral)

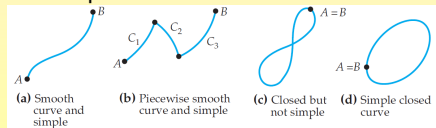
The **definite integral** of  $f$  on  $[a, b]$  is

$$\int_a^b f(x)dx = \lim_{\|P\| \rightarrow 0} \sum_{k=1}^n f(x_k^*) \Delta x_k.$$

- Whenever the limit exists we say that  $f$  is **integrable** on the interval  $[a, b]$  or that the definite integral of  $f$  **exists**.
- It can be proved that if  $f$  is continuous on  $[a, b]$ , then the integral exists.

# Terminology About Curves

- Suppose a curve  $C$  in the plane is parametrized by a set of equations  $x = x(t)$ ,  $y = y(t)$ ,  $a \leq t \leq b$ , where  $x(t)$  and  $y(t)$  are continuous real functions. Let the initial and terminal points of  $C$   $(x(a), y(a))$ ,  $(x(b), y(b))$  be denoted by  $A$ ,  $B$ . We say that:
  - $C$  is a **smooth curve** if  $x'$  and  $y'$  are continuous on the closed interval  $[a, b]$  and not simultaneously zero on the open interval  $(a, b)$ .
  - $C$  is a **piecewise smooth curve** if it consists of a finite number of smooth curves  $C_1, C_2, \dots, C_n$  joined end to end, i.e., the terminal point of one curve  $C_k$  coinciding with the initial point of the next curve  $C_{k+1}$ .
  - $C$  is a **simple curve** if the curve  $C$  does not cross itself except possibly at  $t = a$  and  $t = b$ .
  - $C$  is a **closed curve** if  $A = B$ .
  - $C$  is a **simple closed curve** if the curve  $C$  does not cross itself and  $A = B$ , i.e.,  $C$  is simple and closed.

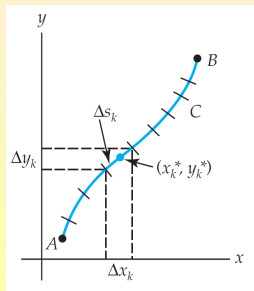


# Steps Leading to the Definition of Line Integrals

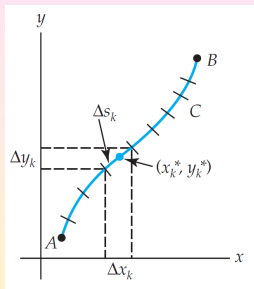
1. Let  $G$  be a function of two real variables  $x$  and  $y$ , defined at all points on a smooth curve  $C$  that lies in some region of the  $xy$ -plane. Let  $C$  be defined by the parametrization  $x = x(t)$ ,  $y = y(t)$ ,  $a \leq t \leq b$ .
2. Let  $P$  be a partition of the parameter interval  $[a, b]$  into  $n$  subintervals  $[t_{k-1}, t_k]$  of length  $\Delta t_k = t_k - t_{k-1}$ :

$$a = t_0 < t_1 < t_2 < \cdots < t_{n-1} < t_n = b.$$

The partition  $P$  induces a partition of the curve  $C$  into  $n$  subarcs of length  $\Delta s_k$ . Let the projection of each subarc onto the  $x$ - and  $y$ -axes have lengths  $\Delta x_k$  and  $\Delta y_k$ , respectively.



# Steps Leading to the Definition of Line Integrals (Cont'd)



3. Let  $\|P\|$  be the **norm** of the partition  $P$  of  $[a, b]$ , that is, the length of the longest subinterval.
4. Choose a point  $(x_k^*, y_k^*)$  on each subarc of  $C$ .
5. Form  $n$  products  $G(x_k^*, y_k^*)\Delta x_k$ ,  $G(x_k^*, y_k^*)\Delta y_k$ ,  $G(x_k^*, y_k^*)\Delta s_k$ ,  $k = 1, 2, \dots, n$ , and then sum these products

$$\sum_{k=1}^n G(x_k^*, y_k^*)\Delta x_k, \quad \sum_{k=1}^n G(x_k^*, y_k^*)\Delta y_k, \quad \sum_{k=1}^n G(x_k^*, y_k^*)\Delta s_k.$$

# The Definition of Line Integrals

## Definition (Line Integrals in the Plane)

(i) The **line integral of  $G$  along  $C$  with respect to  $x$**  is

$$\int_C G(x, y) dx = \lim_{\|P\| \rightarrow 0} \sum_{k=1}^n G(x_k^*, y_k^*) \Delta x_k.$$

(ii) The **line integral of  $G$  along  $C$  with respect to  $y$**  is

$$\int_C G(x, y) dy = \lim_{\|P\| \rightarrow 0} \sum_{k=1}^n G(x_k^*, y_k^*) \Delta y_k.$$

(iii) The **line integral of  $G$  along  $C$  with respect to arc length  $s$**  is

$$\int_C G(x, y) ds = \lim_{\|P\| \rightarrow 0} \sum_{k=1}^n G(x_k^*, y_k^*) \Delta s_k.$$

- If  $G$  is continuous on  $C$ , then the three types of line integrals exist.
- The curve  $C$  is referred to as the **path of integration**.



# Method of Evaluation: $C$ Defined Parametrically

- Convert a line integral to a definite integral in a single variable.
- If  $C$  is a smooth curve parametrized by  $x = x(t)$ ,  $y = y(t)$ ,  $a \leq t \leq b$ , then replace
  - $x$  and  $y$  in the integral by the functions  $x(t)$  and  $y(t)$ ;
  - the appropriate differential  $dx$ ,  $dy$ , or  $ds$  by

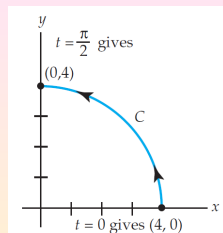
$$x'(t)dt, \quad y'(t)dt, \quad \sqrt{[x'(t)]^2 + [y'(t)]^2}dt.$$

- The term  $ds = \sqrt{[x'(t)]^2 + [y'(t)]^2}dt$  is called the **differential of the arc length**.
- The line integrals become definite integrals in which the variable of integration is the parameter  $t$ :

$$\begin{aligned}\int_C G(x, y)dx &= \int_a^b G(x(t), y(t))x'(t)dt, \\ \int_C G(x, y)dy &= \int_a^b G(x(t), y(t))y'(t)dt, \\ \int_C G(x, y)ds &= \int_a^b G(x(t), y(t))\sqrt{[x'(t)]^2 + [y'(t)]^2}dt.\end{aligned}$$

# Evaluation of a Line Integral I

- Evaluate  $\int_C xy^2 dx$ , where the path of integration  $C$  is the quarter circle defined by  $x = 4 \cos t, y = 4 \sin t, 0 \leq t \leq \frac{\pi}{2}$ .



We have

$$dx = -4 \sin t dt.$$

Thus,

$$\begin{aligned}\int_C xy^2 dx &= \int_0^{\pi/2} (4 \cos t)(4 \sin t)^2 (-4 \sin t dt) \\ &= -256 \int_0^{\pi/2} \sin^3 t \cos t dt \\ &= -256 \left[ \frac{1}{4} \sin^4 t \right]_0^{\pi/2} \\ &= -64.\end{aligned}$$

# Evaluation of a Line Integral II

- Evaluate  $\int_C xy^2 dy$ , where the path of integration  $C$  is the quarter circle defined by  $x = 4 \cos t$ ,  $y = 4 \sin t$ ,  $0 \leq t \leq \frac{\pi}{2}$ .

We have

$$dy = 4 \cos t dt.$$

Thus,

$$\begin{aligned}\int_C xy^2 dy &= \int_0^{\pi/2} (4 \cos t)(4 \sin t)^2 (4 \cos t dt) \\&= 256 \int_0^{\pi/2} \sin^2 t \cos^2 t dt \\&= 256 \int_0^{\pi/2} \frac{1}{4} \sin^2 2t dt \\&= 64 \int_0^{\pi/2} \frac{1}{2} (1 - \cos 4t) dt \\&= 32 \left[ t - \frac{1}{4} \sin 4t \right]_0^{\pi/2} = 16\pi.\end{aligned}$$

# Evaluation of a Line Integral III

- Evaluate  $\int_C xy^2 ds$ , where the path of integration  $C$  is the quarter circle defined by  $x = 4 \cos t$ ,  $y = 4 \sin t$ ,  $0 \leq t \leq \frac{\pi}{2}$ .

We have

$$ds = \sqrt{16(\sin^2 t + \cos^2 t)} dt = 4dt.$$

Therefore,

$$\begin{aligned}\int_C xy^2 ds &= \int_0^{\pi/2} (4 \cos t)(4 \sin t)^2 (4dt) \\ &= 256 \int_0^{\pi/2} \sin^2 t \cos t dt \\ &= 256 \left[ \frac{1}{3} \sin^3 t \right]_0^{\pi/2} \\ &= \frac{256}{3}.\end{aligned}$$

# Method of Evaluation: $C$ Defined by a Function

- If the path of integration  $C$  is the graph of an explicit function  $y = f(x)$ ,  $a \leq x \leq b$ , then we can use  $x$  as a parameter:
- The differential of  $y$  is  $dy = f'(x)dx$ , and the differential of arc length is  $ds = \sqrt{1 + [f'(x)]^2}dx$ .
- We, thus, obtain the definite integrals:

$$\begin{aligned}\int_C G(x, y)dx &= \int_a^b G(x, f(x))dx, \\ \int_C G(x, y)dy &= \int_a^b G(x, f(x))f'(x)dx, \\ \int_C G(x, y)ds &= \int_a^b G(x, f(x))\sqrt{1 + [f'(x)]^2}dx.\end{aligned}$$

- A line integral along a piecewise smooth curve  $C$  is defined as the sum of the integrals over the various smooth pieces.
- **Example:** To evaluate  $\int_C G(x, y)ds$  when  $C$  is composed of two smooth curves  $C_1$  and  $C_2$ , we write

$$\int_C G(x, y)ds = \int_{C_1} G(x, y)ds + \int_{C_2} G(x, y)ds.$$

# Notation for Line Integrals

- In many applications, line integrals appear as a sum

$$\int_C P(x, y) dx + \int_C Q(x, y) dy.$$

- It is common practice to write this sum as one integral without parentheses as

$$\int_C P(x, y) dx + Q(x, y) dy$$

or simply

$$\int_C P dx + Q dy.$$

- A line integral along a closed curve  $C$  is usually denoted by

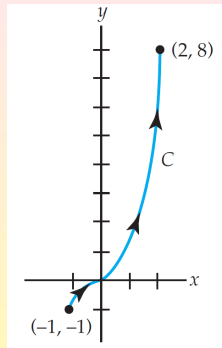
$$\oint_C P dx + Q dy.$$

# $C$ Defined by an Explicit Function

- Evaluate  $\int_C xy dx + x^2 dy$ , where  $C$  is the graph of  $y = x^3$ ,  $-1 \leq x \leq 2$ .

We have  $dy = 3x^2 dx$ . Therefore,

$$\begin{aligned}\int_C xy dx + x^2 dy &= \int_{-1}^2 xx^3 dx + x^2 3x^2 dx \\ &= \int_{-1}^2 (x^4 + 3x^4) dx \\ &= \int_{-1}^2 4x^4 dx \\ &= \left. \frac{4}{5} x^5 \right|_{-1}^2 \\ &= \frac{4}{5} (32 - (-1)) = \frac{132}{5}.\end{aligned}$$



# $C$ a Closed Curve

- Evaluate  $\oint_C x dx$ , where  $C$  is the circle defined by  $x = \cos t, y = \sin t$ ,  $0 \leq t \leq 2\pi$ .

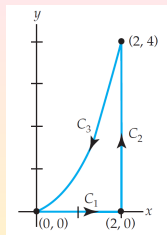
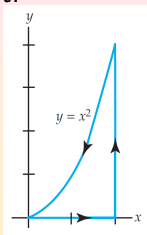
We have  $dx = -\sin t dt$ , whence:

$$\begin{aligned}\oint_C x dx &= \int_0^{2\pi} \cos t (-\sin t dt) \\ &= \left. \frac{1}{2} \cos^2 t \right|_0^{2\pi} \\ &= \frac{1}{2}(1 - 1) \\ &= 0.\end{aligned}$$



# C Another Closed Curve

- Evaluate  $\oint_C y^2 dx - x^2 dy$ , where  $C$  is the closed curve shown on the left.



$C$  is piecewise smooth. So, the given integral is expressed as a sum of integrals, i.e., we write  $\oint_C = \int_{C_1} + \int_{C_2} + \int_{C_3}$ , with  $C_1, C_2, C_3$  as shown on the right.

- On  $C_1$ , with  $x$  as a parameter:  $\int_{C_1} y^2 dx - x^2 dy = \int_0^2 0 dx - x^2(0) = 0$ .
- On  $C_2$ , with  $y$  as a parameter:  

$$\int_{C_2} y^2 dx - x^2 dy = \int_0^4 y^2(0) - 4 dy = - \int_0^4 4 dy = -16.$$
- On  $C_3$ , we again use  $x$  as a parameter. From  $y = x^2$ , we get  $dy = 2x dx$ . Thus,  $\int_{C_3} y^2 dx - x^2 dy = \int_2^0 (x^2)^2 dx - x^2(2x dx) = \int_2^0 (x^4 - 2x^3) dx = \left( \frac{1}{5}x^5 - \frac{1}{2}x^4 \right) \Big|_2^0 = \frac{8}{5}.$

$$\text{Hence, } \oint_C y^2 dx - x^2 dy = \int_{C_1} + \int_{C_2} + \int_{C_3} = 0 + (-16) + \frac{8}{5} = -\frac{72}{5}.$$

# Orientation of a Curve

- If  $C$  is not a closed curve, then we say the **positive direction** on  $C$ , or that  $C$  has **positive orientation**, if we traverse  $C$  from its initial point  $A$  to its terminal point  $B$ , i.e., if  $x = x(t), y = y(t), a \leq t \leq b$ , are parametric equations for  $C$ , then the positive direction on  $C$  corresponds to increasing values of the parameter  $t$ .
- If  $C$  is traversed in the sense opposite to that of the positive orientation, then  $C$  is said to have **negative orientation**.
- If  $C$  has an orientation (positive or negative), then the **opposite curve**, the curve with the opposite orientation, will be denoted  $-C$ .
- Then
$$\int_{-C} Pdx + Qdy = - \int_C Pdx + Qdy,$$
or, equivalently
$$\int_{-C} Pdx + Qdy + \int_C Pdx + Qdy = 0.$$
- A line integral is independent of the parametrization of  $C$ , provided  $C$  is given the same orientation.

# Complex Integrals

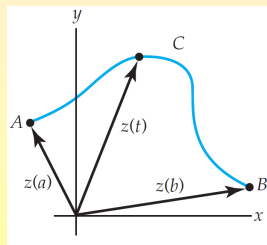
# Curves Revisited

- Suppose the continuous real-valued functions  $x = x(t)$ ,  $y = y(t)$ ,  $a \leq t \leq b$ , are parametric equations of a curve  $C$  in the complex plane.
- By considering  $z = x + iy$ , we can describe the points  $z$  on  $C$  by means of a complex-valued function of a real variable  $t$ , called a **parametrization** of  $C$ :  $z(t) = x(t) + iy(t)$ ,  $a \leq t \leq b$ .

**Example:** The parametric equations  $x = \cos t$ ,  $y = \sin t$ ,  $0 \leq t \leq 2\pi$ , describe a unit circle centered at the origin. A parametrization of this circle is  $z(t) = \cos t + i \sin t$ , or  $z(t) = e^{it}$ ,  $0 \leq t \leq 2\pi$ .

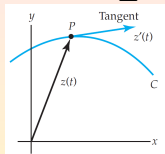
- The point  $z(a) = x(a) + iy(a)$  or  $A = (x(a), y(a))$  is called the **initial point** of  $C$ . and  $z(b) = x(b) + iy(b)$  or  $B = (x(b), y(b))$  the **terminal point**.

As  $t$  varies from  $t = a$  to  $t = b$ ,  $C$  is being traced out by the moving arrowhead of the vector corresponding to  $z(t)$ .



# Smooth Curves and Contours

- Suppose the derivative of  $z(t) = x(t) + iy(t)$ ,  $a \leq t \leq b$ , is  $z'(t) = x'(t) + iy'(t)$ .
- We say  $C$  is **smooth** if  $z'(t)$  is continuous and never zero in the interval  $a \leq t \leq b$ .

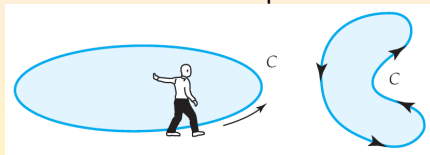


Since the vector  $z'(t)$  is not zero at any point  $P$  on  $C$ , the vector  $z'(t)$  is tangent to  $C$  at  $P$ . In other words, a smooth curve has a continuously turning tangent.

- A **piecewise smooth curve**  $C$  has a continuously turning tangent, except possibly at the points where the component smooth curves  $C_1, C_2, \dots, C_n$  are joined together.
- A curve  $C$  in the complex plane is **simple** if  $z(t_1) \neq z(t_2)$ , for  $t_1 \neq t_2$ , except possibly for  $t = a$  and  $t = b$ .
- $C$  is a **closed curve** if  $z(a) = z(b)$ .
- $C$  is a **simple closed curve** if it is simple and closed.
- A piecewise smooth curve  $C$  is also called a **contour** or **path**.

# Positive and Negative Directions

- We define the **positive direction** on a contour  $C$  to be the direction on the curve corresponding to increasing values of the parameter  $t$ . It is also said that the curve  $C$  has **positive orientation**.
- In the case of a *simple closed curve*  $C$ , the **positive direction** roughly corresponds to the counterclockwise direction or the direction that a person must walk on  $C$  in order to keep the interior of  $C$  to the left.



- The **negative direction** on a contour  $C$  is the direction opposite the positive direction.
- If  $C$  has an orientation, the **opposite curve**, that is, a curve with opposite orientation, is denoted by  $-C$ .
- On a *simple closed curve*, the **negative direction** corresponds to the clockwise direction.

# Steps Leading to the Definition of the Complex Integral I

1. Let  $f$  be a function of a complex variable  $z$  defined at all points on a smooth curve  $C$  that lies in some region of the plane. Suppose  $C$  is defined by the parametrization  $z(t) = x(t) + iy(t)$ ,  $a \leq t \leq b$ .
2. Let  $P$  be a partition of the parameter interval  $[a, b]$  into  $n$  subintervals  $[t_{k-1}, t_k]$  of length  $\Delta t_k = t_k - t_{k-1}$ :

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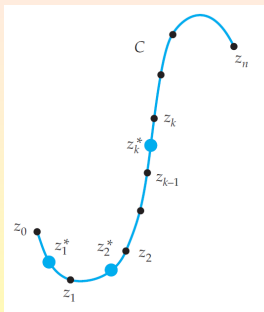
The partition  $P$  induces a partition of the curve  $C$  into  $n$  subarcs whose initial and terminal points are the pairs of numbers

$$\begin{array}{ll} z_0 = x(t_0) + iy(t_0), & z_1 = x(t_1) + iy(t_1), \\ z_1 = x(t_1) + iy(t_1), & z_2 = x(t_2) + iy(t_2), \\ \vdots & \vdots \\ z_{n-1} = x(t_{n-1}) + iy(t_{n-1}), & z_n = x(t_n) + iy(t_n). \end{array}$$

Let  $\Delta z_k = z_k - z_{k-1}$ ,  $k = 1, 2, \dots, n$ .

# Steps Leading to the Definition of the Complex Integral II

3. Let  $\|P\|$  be the **norm** of the partition  $P$  of  $[a, b]$ , i.e., the length of the longest subinterval.
4. Choose a point  $z_k^* = x_k^* + iy_k^*$  on each subarc of  $C$ .



5. Form  $n$  products  $f(z_k^*)\Delta z_k$ ,  $k = 1, 2, \dots, n$ , and then sum these products:  $\sum_{k=1}^n f(z_k^*)\Delta z_k$ .



# The Definition of the Complex Integral

## Definition (Complex Integral)

The **complex integral** of  $f$  on  $C$  is

$$\int_C f(z) dz = \lim_{\|P\| \rightarrow 0} \sum_{k=1}^n f(z_k^*) \Delta z_k.$$

- If the limit exists,  $f$  is said to be **integrable** on  $C$ .
- The limit exists whenever  $f$  is continuous at all points on  $C$  and  $C$  is either smooth or piecewise smooth.
- Thus, we **always assume that these conditions are fulfilled**.
- By convention, we will use the notation  $\oint_C f(z) dz$  to represent a complex integral around a *positively oriented closed curve*  $C$ .
- The notations  $\oint_C f(z) dz$ ,  $\oint_C f(z) dz$  denote more explicitly integration in the positive and negative directions, respectively.
- We shall refer to  $\int_C f(z) dz$  as a **contour integral**.

# Complex-Valued Function of a Real Variable

- **Example:** If  $t$  represents a real variable, then  $f(t) = (2t + i)^2$  is a complex number. For  $t = 2$ ,  $f(2) = (4 + i)^2 = 16 + 8i + i^2 = 15 + 8i$ .
- If  $f_1$  and  $f_2$  are real-valued functions of a real variable  $t$ , then  $f(t) = f_1(t) + if_2(t)$  is a complex-valued function of a real variable  $t$ .
- We are interested in integration of a complex-valued function  $f(t) = f_1(t) + if_2(t)$  of a real variable  $t$  carried out over a real interval.
- **Example:** On the interval  $0 \leq t \leq 1$ , it seems reasonable for  $f(t) = (2t + i)^2$  to write

$$\int_0^1 (2t + i)^2 dt = \int_0^1 (4t^2 - 1 + 4ti) dt = \int_0^1 (4t^2 - 1) dt + i \int_0^1 4t dt.$$

The integrals  $\int_0^1 (4t^2 - 1) dt$  and  $\int_0^1 4t dt$  are real, and could be called the **real** and **imaginary parts** of  $\int_0^1 (2t + i)^2 dt$ . Each can be evaluated using the fundamental theorem of calculus to get:

$$\int_0^1 (2t + i)^2 dt = \left(\frac{4}{3}t^3 - t\right)\Big|_0^1 + i 2t^2\Big|_0^1 = \frac{1}{3} + 2i.$$

# Integral of Complex Valued Function of a Real Variable

- If  $f_1$  and  $f_2$  are real-valued functions of a real variable  $t$  continuous on a common interval  $a \leq t \leq b$ , then we define the **integral** of the complex-valued function  $f(t) = f_1(t) + if_2(t)$  on  $a \leq t \leq b$  by

$$\int_a^b f(t)dt = \int_a^b f_1(t)dt + i \int_a^b f_2(t)dt.$$

- The continuity of  $f_1$  and  $f_2$  on  $[a, b]$  guarantees that both integrals on the right exist.
- If  $f(t) = f_1(t) + if_2(t)$  and  $g(t) = g_1(t) + ig_2(t)$ , are complex-valued functions of a real variable  $t$  continuous on  $a \leq t \leq b$ , then
  - $\int_a^b kf(t)dt = k \int_a^b f(t)dt$ ,  $k$  a complex constant;
  - $\int_a^b (f(t) + g(t))dt = \int_a^b f(t)dt + \int_a^b g(t)dt$ ;
  - $\int_a^b f(t)dt = \int_a^c f(t)dt + \int_c^b f(t)dt$ , if  $c \in [a, b]$ ;
  - $\int_b^a f(t)dt = - \int_a^b f(t)dt$ .

# Evaluation of Contour Integrals

- If we use  $u + iv$  for  $f$ ,  $\Delta x + i\Delta y$  for  $\Delta z$ ,  $\lim_{\|P\| \rightarrow 0}$  and  $\sum$  for  $\sum_{k=1}^n$ , we get  $\int_C f(z)dz = \lim \sum (u + iv)(\Delta x + i\Delta y) = \lim [\sum (u\Delta x - v\Delta y) + i \sum (v\Delta x + u\Delta y)]$ .
- Thus, we have

$$\int_C f(z)dz = \int_C udx - vdy + i \int_C vdx + udy.$$

- If  $x = x(t)$ ,  $y = y(t)$ ,  $a \leq t \leq b$ , are parametric equations of  $C$ , then  $dx = x'(t)dt$ ,  $dy = y'(t)dt$ .
- Now we obtain  $\int_a^b [u(x(t), y(t))x'(t) - v(x(t), y(t))y'(t)]dt + i \int_a^b [v(x(t), y(t))x'(t) + u(x(t), y(t))y'(t)]dt$ .
- This is the same as  $\int_a^b f(z(t))z'(t)dt$  when the integrand  $f(z(t))z'(t) = [u(x(t), y(t)) + iv(x(t), y(t))][x'(t) + iy'(t)]$  is multiplied out and  $\int_a^b f(z(t))z'(t)dt$  is expressed in terms of its real and imaginary parts.

# Evaluating of a Contour Integral

## Theorem (Evaluation of a Contour Integral)

If  $f$  is continuous on a smooth curve  $C$  given by  $z(t) = x(t) + iy(t)$ ,  $a \leq t \leq b$ , then

$$\int_C f(z) dz = \int_a^b f(z(t)) z'(t) dt.$$

- **Example:** Evaluate  $\int_C \bar{z} dz$ , where  $C$  is given by  $x = 3t$ ,  $y = t^2$ ,  $-1 \leq t \leq 4$ .

A parametrization of the contour  $C$  is  $z(t) = 3t + it^2$ . Thus, since  $f(z) = \bar{z}$ , we have  $f(z(t)) = \overline{3t + it^2} = 3t - it^2$ . Also,  $z'(t) = 3 + 2it$ . Now, we have

$$\begin{aligned} \int_C \bar{z} dz &= \int_{-1}^4 (3t - it^2)(3 + 2it) dt \\ &= \int_{-1}^4 (2t^3 + 9t) dt + i \int_{-1}^4 3t^2 dt \\ &= \left( \frac{1}{2}t^4 + \frac{9}{2}t^2 \right) \Big|_{-1}^4 + i t^3 \Big|_{-1}^4 = 195 + 65i. \end{aligned}$$

# Another Evaluation of a Contour Integral

- Evaluate  $\oint_C \frac{1}{z} dz$ , where  $C$  is the circle  $x = \cos t, y = \sin t$ ,  $0 \leq t \leq 2\pi$ .

In this case  $z(t) = \cos t + i \sin t = e^{it}$ ,  $z'(t) = ie^{it}$ , and  $f(z(t)) = \frac{1}{z(t)} = e^{-it}$ . Hence,

$$\begin{aligned}\oint_C \frac{1}{z} dz &= \int_0^{2\pi} (e^{-it}) ie^{it} dt \\ &= i \int_0^{2\pi} dt \\ &= 2\pi i.\end{aligned}$$

# Using $x$ as a Parameter

- For some curves the real variable  $x$  itself can be used as the parameter.
- Example:** Evaluate  $\int_C (8x^2 - iy)dz$  on the line segment  $y = 5x$ ,  $0 \leq x \leq 2$ .

We write  $z = x + 5xi$ , whence  $dz = (1 + 5i)dx$ . Therefore,

$$\begin{aligned}\int_C (8x^2 - iy)dz &= (1 + 5i) \int_0^2 (8x^2 - 5ix)dx \\ &= (1 + 5i) \left. \frac{8}{3}x^3 \right|_0^2 - (1 + 5i)i \left. \frac{5}{2}x^2 \right|_0^2 \\ &= \frac{214}{3} + \frac{290}{3}i.\end{aligned}$$

- If  $x$  and  $y$  are related by means of a continuous real function  $y = f(x)$ , then the corresponding curve  $C$  can be parametrized by  $z(x) = x + if(x)$ .

# Properties of Contour Integrals

## Theorem (Properties of Contour Integrals)

Suppose the functions  $f$  and  $g$  are continuous in a domain  $D$ , and  $C$  is a smooth curve lying entirely in  $D$ . Then:

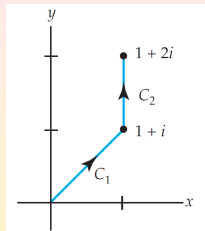
- (i)  $\int_C kf(z)dz = k \int_C f(z)dz$ ,  $k$  a complex constant.
- (ii)  $\int_C [f(z) + g(z)]dz = \int_C f(z)dz + \int_C g(z)dz$ .
- (iii)  $\int_C f(z)dz = \int_{C_1} f(z)dz + \int_{C_2} f(z)dz$ , where  $C$  consists of the smooth curves  $C_1$  and  $C_2$  joined end to end.
- (iv)  $\int_{-C} f(z)dz = -\int_C f(z)dz$ , where  $-C$  denotes the curve having the opposite orientation of  $C$ .

- The four parts of the theorem also hold if  $C$  is a *piecewise smooth* curve in  $D$ .



# C a Piecewise Smooth Curve

- Evaluate  $\int_C (x^2 + iy^2)dz$ , where  $C$  is the contour shown:



We write  $\int_C (x^2 + iy^2)dz = \int_{C_1} (x^2 + iy^2)dz + \int_{C_2} (x^2 + iy^2)dz$ .

Since the curve  $C_1$  is defined by  $y = x$ , we use  $x$  as a parameter:  $z(x) = x + ix$ ,  $z'(x) = 1 + i$ ,  $f(z) = x^2 + iy^2$ ,  $f(z(x)) = x^2 + ix^2$ ,

$$\text{whence, finally, } \int_{C_1} (x^2 + iy^2)dz = \int_0^1 (x^2 + ix^2)(i + 1)dx = (1 + i)^2 \int_0^1 x^2 dx = \frac{(1+i)^2}{3} = \frac{2}{3}i.$$

The curve  $C_2$  is defined by  $x = 1$ ,  $1 \leq y \leq 2$ . If we use  $y$  as a parameter, then  $z(y) = 1 + iy$ ,  $z'(y) = i$ ,  $f(z(y)) = 1 + iy^2$ , and  $\int_{C_2} (x^2 + iy^2)dz = \int_1^2 (1 + iy^2)idy = -\int_1^2 y^2 dy + i \int_1^2 dy = -\frac{7}{3} + i$ .

$$\text{Therefore } \int_C (x^2 + iy^2)dz = \frac{2}{3}i + \left(-\frac{7}{3} + i\right) = -\frac{7}{3} + \frac{5}{3}i.$$

# A Bounding Theorem

- We find an upper bound for the modulus of a contour integral.
- Recall the length of a plane curve  $L = \int_a^b \sqrt{[x'(t)]^2 + [y'(t)]^2} dt$ . If  $z'(t) = x'(t) + iy'(t)$ , then  $|z'(t)| = \sqrt{[x'(t)]^2 + [y'(t)]^2}$ , whence  $L = \int_a^b |z'(t)| dt$ .

## Theorem (A Bounding Theorem)

If  $f$  is continuous on a smooth curve  $C$  and if  $|f(z)| \leq M$ , for all  $z$  on  $C$ , then  $|\int_C f(z) dz| \leq ML$ , where  $L$  is the length of  $C$ .

- By triangle inequality,  $|\sum_{k=1}^n f(z_k^*) \Delta z_k| \leq \sum_{k=1}^n |f(z_k^*)| |\Delta z_k| \leq M \sum_{k=1}^n |\Delta z_k|$ . Because  $|\Delta z_k| = \sqrt{(\Delta x_k)^2 + (\Delta y_k)^2}$ , we can interpret  $|\Delta z_k|$  as the length of the chord joining the points  $z_k$  and  $z_{k-1}$  on  $C$ . Moreover, since the sum of the lengths of the chords cannot be greater than  $L$ , we get  $|\sum_{k=1}^n f(z_k^*) \Delta z_k| \leq ML$ . Finally, the continuity of  $f$  guarantees that  $\int_C f(z) dz$  exists. Thus, letting  $\|P\| \rightarrow 0$ , the last inequality yields  $|\int_C f(z) dz| \leq ML$ .

# A Bound for a Contour Integral

- Find an upper bound for the absolute value of  $\int_C \frac{e^z}{z+1} dz$  where  $C$  is the circle  $|z| = 4$ .

First, the length  $L$  (circumference) of the circle of radius 4 is  $8\pi$ .

Next, for all points  $z$  on the circle, we have that

$$|z+1| \geq |z| - 1 = 4 - 1 = 3. \text{ Thus, } \left| \frac{e^z}{z+1} \right| \leq \frac{|e^z|}{|z| - 1} = \frac{|e^z|}{3}. \text{ In}$$

addition,  $|e^z| = |e^x(\cos y + i \sin y)| = e^x$ . For points on the circle  $|z| = 4$ , the maximum that  $x = \operatorname{Re}(z)$  can be is 4, whence

$$\left| \frac{e^z}{z+1} \right| \leq \frac{e^4}{3}. \text{ From the theorem, we have}$$

$$\left| \int_C \frac{e^z}{z+1} dz \right| \leq \frac{8\pi e^4}{3}.$$

# Single Contour: Many Parametrizations

- There is no unique parametrization for a contour  $C$ .
- **Example:** All of the following:

$$z(t) = e^{it} = \cos t + i \sin t, \quad 0 \leq t \leq 2\pi,$$

$$z(t) = e^{2\pi it} = \cos 2\pi t + i \sin 2\pi t, \quad 0 \leq t \leq 1,$$

$$z(t) = e^{\pi it/2} = \cos \frac{\pi t}{2} + i \sin \frac{\pi t}{2}, \quad 0 \leq t \leq 4,$$

are all parametrizations, oriented in the positive direction, for the unit circle  $|z| = 1$ .