

Assignment 5

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Problem 1

The given closed polygonal arc can be expressed as a piecewise smooth arc:

$$\begin{cases} \alpha_1 = t(1+i), & t \in [0, 1] \\ \alpha_2 = t + (2-t)i, & t \in [1, 2] \\ \alpha_3 = -t, & t \in [-2, 0] \end{cases}$$

The derivatives are:

$$\begin{cases} \alpha'_1 = 1+i, & t \in [0, 1] \\ \alpha'_2 = 1-i, & t \in [1, 2] \\ \alpha'_3 = -1, & t \in [-2, 0] \end{cases}$$

i) $f(z) = z$:

$$\begin{aligned} \oint_{\alpha} z \, dz &= \int_{\alpha_1} z \, dz + \int_{\alpha_2} z \, dz + \int_{\alpha_3} z \, dz \\ &= \int_0^1 t(1+i)(1+i) \, dt + \int_1^2 (t + (2-t)i)(1-i) \, dt + \int_{-2}^0 (-t)(-1) \, dt \\ &= (1+i)^2 \int_0^1 t \, dt + (1-i) \int_1^2 (t + 2i - ti) \, dt + \int_{-2}^0 t \, dt \\ &= (2i) \left[\frac{1}{2} t^2 \right]_0^1 + (1-i) \left[\frac{(1-i)}{2} t^2 + 2it \right]_1^2 + \left[\frac{1}{2} t^2 \right]_{-2}^0 \\ &= i + (1-i)((2(1-i) + 4i) - (\frac{(1-i)}{2} + 2i)) - 2 \\ &= i + (1-i)(2 - 2i + 4i - (\frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{2}i + 2i)) - 2 \\ &= i + \frac{3}{2} + \frac{1}{2}i - \frac{3}{2}i + \frac{1}{2} - 2 \\ &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

ii)

$$\begin{aligned} \ell(\alpha) &= \int_{\alpha_1} |\alpha'_1(t)| \, dt + \int_{\alpha_2} |\alpha'_2(t)| \, dt + \int_{\alpha_3} |\alpha'_3(t)| \, dt \\ &= \int_0^1 |1+i| \, dt + \int_1^2 |1-i| \, dt + \int_{-2}^0 |-1| \, dt \\ &= \sqrt{2} \int_0^1 dt + \sqrt{2} \int_1^2 dt + \int_{-2}^0 dt \\ &= \sqrt{2} + \sqrt{2}(2-1) + (0 - (-2)) \\ &= \sqrt{2} + \sqrt{2} + 2 \\ &= 2(\sqrt{2} + 1) \end{aligned}$$

iii) Let $f(z) = \operatorname{Re}(z) = x$:

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{\alpha} f(z) dz &= \int_0^1 \operatorname{Re}(t(1+i))(1+i) dt + \int_1^2 \operatorname{Re}(t + (2-t)i)(1-i) dt + \int_{-2}^0 \operatorname{Re}(-t)(-1) dt \\ &= (1+i) \int_0^1 t dt + (1-i) \int_1^2 t dt - \int_{-2}^0 -t dt \\ &= (1+i) \left[\frac{1}{2} t^2 \right]_0^1 + (1-i) \left[\frac{1}{2} t^2 \right]_1^2 + \left[\frac{1}{2} t^2 \right]_{-2}^0 \\ &= \frac{1}{2}(1+i) + \frac{3}{2}(1-i) - 2 \\ &= \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{2}i + \frac{3}{2} - \frac{3}{2}i - 2 \\ &= 0 - i \\ &= -i \end{aligned}$$

Problem 2

i) Let $f(z) = \frac{1}{z^2}$, and let $\alpha(t) = -t + (1-t)i$, $t \in [0, 1]$. We have the bound:

$$\left| \int_{\alpha} f(z) dz \right| \leq M(f)\ell(\alpha), \quad (1)$$

where:

$$\begin{aligned} \ell(\alpha) &= \int_0^1 |-1-i| dt \\ &= \int_0^1 \sqrt{1^2 + 1^2} dt \\ &= \sqrt{2} \end{aligned}$$

We also have:

$$\begin{aligned} M(f) &= \max\{|f(z)| : z \in \alpha\} \\ &= \max\left\{\left|\frac{1}{z^2}\right| : z \in \alpha\right\} \\ &= \min\{|z^2| : z \in \alpha\} \end{aligned}$$

We can observe that the smallest value of $|z^2|$ (along α) occurs on the midpoint on the straight line from i to -1 , which is the point $z = -\frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{2}i$. At this point:

$$\begin{aligned}
 |f(z)| &= \frac{1}{|(-\frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{2}i)^2|} \\
 &= \frac{1}{|-\frac{1}{2}i|} \\
 &= \frac{1}{\frac{1}{2}} \\
 \Rightarrow M(f) &= 2
 \end{aligned}$$

Using this result and Inequality (1) above, we obtain:

$$\left| \int_{\alpha} f(z) dz \right| \leq 2\sqrt{2} = M(f)\ell(\alpha)$$

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ii) Let $\alpha_R(t) = Re^{it}$, $t \in [0, \pi]$, where $\alpha'_R(t) = iRe^{it}$:

$$\begin{aligned}
 \ell(\alpha) &= \int_0^{\pi} |iRe^{it}| dt \\
 &= \int_0^{\pi} |iR(\cos(t) + i\sin(t))| dt \\
 &= \int_0^{\pi} |iR\cos(t) - R\sin(t)| dt \\
 &= \int_0^{\pi} \sqrt{R^2\cos^2(t) + R^2\sin^2(t)} dt \\
 &= \int_0^{\pi} \sqrt{R^2(\cos^2(t) + \sin^2(t))} dt \\
 &= \int_0^{\pi} R dt \\
 &= R\pi
 \end{aligned}$$

Let $f_1(z) = e^{ikz} = e^{ik(x+iy)} = e^{-ky}e^{ikx}$:

$$\begin{aligned}
 M_1(f) &= \max\{|f_1(z)| : z \in \alpha\} \\
 &= \max\{|e^{-ky}e^{ikx}| : z \in \alpha\} \\
 &= \max\{e^{-ky} : z \in \alpha\}
 \end{aligned}$$

As $y \geq 0$, $k > 0$, if ky is minimum (i.e. $ky = 0$), then $e^{-ky} = 1$; if ky is maximum (i.e. $ky \rightarrow \infty$), then $e^{-ky} \rightarrow 0$. Therefore, we have that:

$$M_1(f) = \max\{e^{-ky} : z \in \alpha\} = 1 \quad (2)$$

Let $f_2(z) = \frac{1}{z^2+1}$:

$$\begin{aligned} M_2(f) &= \max\{|f_2(z)| : z \in \alpha\} \\ &= \max\{|\frac{1}{z^2+1}| : z \in \alpha\} \\ &= \min\{|z^2+1| : z \in \alpha\} \end{aligned}$$

Using the Inverse Triangle Inequality ($|\gamma - \eta| \geq ||\gamma| - |\eta||$, where $\gamma = z^2$, and $\eta = -1$):

$$\begin{aligned} |z^2+1| &\geq ||z^2| - |-1|| \\ |z^2+1| &\geq R^2 - 1 \\ \frac{1}{|z^2+1|} &\leq \frac{1}{R^2-1} \end{aligned} \tag{3}$$

Combining Equations Equation 2, Equation 3, we have:

$$\begin{aligned} \left| \int_{\alpha_R} \frac{e^{ikz}}{1+z^2} dz \right| &\leq R\pi \left(\frac{1}{R^2-1} \right) \\ \left| \int_{\alpha_R} \frac{e^{ikz}}{1+z^2} dz \right| &\leq \left(\frac{R\pi}{R^2-1} \right) \\ \Rightarrow \lim_{R \rightarrow +\infty} \left| \int_{\alpha_R} \frac{e^{ikz}}{1+z^2} dz \right| &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

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iii) Let $\gamma_R(t) = R + it$, $t \in [0, h]$, $\gamma'_R(t) = i$:

$$\begin{aligned} \therefore \int_{\gamma_R} e^{-z^2} dz &= \int_0^h e^{-(R+it)^2} (i) dt \\ &= i \int_0^h e^{-(R^2+(2iR-1)t)} dt \\ &= i \int_0^h e^{-R^2} e^{(1-2iR)t} dt \\ &= ie^{-R^2} \int_0^h e^{(1-2iR)t} dt \\ &= ie^{-R^2} \left[\frac{1}{(1-2iR)} e^{(1-2iR)t} \right]_0^h \\ &= ie^{-R^2} \left(\frac{1}{(1-2hi)} e^{(1-2hi)t} - 1 \right) \end{aligned}$$

$$\therefore \lim_{R \rightarrow +\infty} \int_{\gamma_R} e^{-z^2} dz = \lim_{R \rightarrow +\infty} ie^{-R^2} \left(\frac{1}{(1-2hi)} e^{(1-2hi)t} - 1 \right) = 0$$

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Problem 3

i) $f(z) = \text{Log}(z)$ has an antiderivative:

$$F(z) = z\text{Log}(z) - z$$

Let $\alpha(t) = 1 + (i-1)t$, $t \in [0, 1]$ be a curve, $\alpha \in \Omega$. As f has an antiderivative F everywhere in $\mathbb{C} \setminus \{(\text{Re}(z) \in (-\infty, 0]) \cap (\text{Im}(z) = 0)\}$ (i.e. away from the branch cut), we can conclude that:

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{\alpha} f(z) dz &= F(z_f) - F(z_i) \\ &= F(\alpha(1)) - F(\alpha(0)) \\ &= F(i) - F(1) \\ &= (i\text{Log}(i) - i) - (\text{Log}(1) - 1) \\ &= (i(i\frac{\pi}{2}) - i) - (-1) \\ &= 1 - \frac{\pi}{2} - i, \end{aligned}$$

as the curve $\alpha(t)$ is away from the branch cut.

ii) Let $f(z) = \bar{z}$, Let $\alpha_+ = e^{it}$, $t \in [0, \pi]$, $\alpha'_+ = ie^{it}$, and let $\alpha_- = e^{-it}$, $t \in [0, \pi]$, $\alpha'_- = -ie^{it}$.

For α_+ :

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{\alpha_+} f(z) dz &= \int_0^{\pi} (ie^{it}) \overline{e^{it}} dt \\ &= \int_0^{\pi} (ie^{it}) e^{-it} dt \\ &= i \int_0^{\pi} dt \\ &= i\pi \end{aligned}$$

For α_- :

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{\alpha_-} f(z) dz &= \int_0^{\pi} (-ie^{-it}) \overline{e^{-it}} dt \\ &= \int_0^{\pi} (-ie^{-it}) e^{it} dt \\ &= -i \int_0^{\pi} dt \\ &= -i\pi \end{aligned}$$

Problem 4

Since $F(t) = \alpha^{-1}e^{\alpha t}$ is an antiderivative of $f(t) = e^{\alpha t} = e^{at}e^{ibt}$:

$$\begin{aligned}\int e^{at}e^{ibt} dt &= \alpha^{-1}e^{\alpha t} \\ \int e^{at}(\cos(bt) + i\sin(bt)) dt &= \frac{a - bi}{a^2 + b^2}(e^{at}(\cos(bt) + i\sin(bt))) \\ \int e^{at}\cos(bt) dt + i \int e^{at}\sin(bt) dt &= \frac{a - bi}{a^2 + b^2}(e^{at}(\cos(bt) + i\sin(bt))) \\ \int e^{at}\cos(bt) dt + i \int e^{at}\sin(bt) dt &= \frac{e^{at}}{a^2 + b^2}(a\cos(bt) + ai\sin(bt) - b\cos(bt) + b\sin(bt)) \\ \int e^{at}\cos(bt) dt + i \int e^{at}\sin(bt) dt &= \frac{e^{at}}{a^2 + b^2}((a\cos(bt) + b\sin(bt)) + i(a\sin(bt) - b\cos(bt))) \\ \int e^{at}\cos(bt) dt + i \int e^{at}\sin(bt) dt &= \frac{e^{at}}{a^2 + b^2}(a\cos(bt) + b\sin(bt)) + i\frac{e^{at}}{a^2 + b^2}(a\sin(bt) - b\cos(bt))\end{aligned}$$

Taking $\text{Re}(\text{LHS}) = \text{Re}(\text{RHS})$, and $\text{Im}(\text{LHS}) = \text{Im}(\text{RHS})$, gives:

$$\begin{aligned}\int e^{at}\cos(bt) dt &= \frac{e^{at}}{a^2 + b^2}(a\cos(bt) + b\sin(bt)) \\ \int e^{at}\sin(bt) dt &= \frac{e^{at}}{a^2 + b^2}(a\sin(bt) - b\cos(bt))\end{aligned}$$

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For $a > 0$:

$$\begin{aligned}\int_0^\infty e^{-at}\cos(bt) dt &= \frac{e^{-at}}{(-a)^2 + b^2}(-a\cos(bt) + b\sin(bt))\Big|_0^\infty \\ &= 0 - \left(\frac{1}{a^2 + b^2}(-a)\right) \\ &= \frac{a}{a^2 + b^2}\end{aligned}$$

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$$\begin{aligned}\int_0^\infty e^{-at}\sin(bt) dt &= \frac{e^{-at}}{(-a)^2 + b^2}(-a\sin(bt) - b\cos(bt))\Big|_0^\infty \\ &= 0 - \left(\frac{1}{a^2 + b^2}(-b)\right) \\ &= \frac{b}{a^2 + b^2}\end{aligned}$$

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Problem 5

Let $\alpha_\epsilon = z_0 + \epsilon e^{it}$, $t \in [0, \pi]$. This gives:

$$\begin{aligned} f(\alpha_\epsilon(t)) &= \frac{a}{(z_0 + \epsilon e^{it}) - z_0} + g(\epsilon e^{it} - z_0), \\ &= \frac{a}{\epsilon e^{it}} + g(\epsilon e^{it} - z_0), \\ \alpha'_\epsilon(t) &= i\epsilon e^{it} \\ \Rightarrow f(\alpha_\epsilon(t))\alpha'_\epsilon(t) &= \left(\frac{a}{\epsilon e^{it}} + g(\epsilon e^{it} - z_0)\right)(i\epsilon e^{it}) \\ &= ai + i\epsilon e^{it} g(\epsilon e^{it} - z_0) \end{aligned}$$

This gives:

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{\alpha_\epsilon} f(z) dz &= \int_0^\pi ai + i\epsilon e^{it} g(\epsilon e^{it} - z_0) dt \\ &= ai \int_0^\pi dt + i\epsilon \int_0^\pi e^{it} g(\epsilon e^{it} - z_0) dt \\ &= ai\pi + i\epsilon \int_0^\pi e^{it} g(\epsilon e^{it} - z_0) dt \end{aligned}$$

Taking the limit then yields:

$$\begin{aligned} \lim_{\epsilon \rightarrow 0} \int_{\alpha_\epsilon} f(z) dz &= ai\pi + i(0) \int_0^\pi e^{it} g(-z_0) dt \\ &= i\pi a \end{aligned}$$

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