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MMAT5220 Complex Analysis and its Applications 2016-2017 Suggested Solution to Assignment 3

1 If z_0 does not lie inside C, by Cauchy-Goursat theorem we have

$$\int_C \frac{dz}{z - z_0} = 0$$

Otherwise, by Cauchy integral formula, we have

$$\int_C \frac{dz}{z - z_0} = 2\pi i(1) = 2\pi i$$

2 (a) Since the function $f(z) = \frac{1}{z^2 - 1}$ is analytic inside the contour C_1 except the point z = -1, by Cauchy integral formula, we have

$$\int_{C_1} \frac{1}{z^2 - 1} dz = \int_{C_1} \frac{1/(z - 1)}{z + 1} dz = 2\pi i \frac{1}{(-1) - 1} = -\pi i$$

(b) Denote C(z,r) be the circle centered at z with radius r in counter-clockwise direction. Then we have

$$\int_{C_2} \frac{3z-2}{z^2-z} dz = \int_{C(0,\frac{1}{2})} \frac{3z-2}{z^2-z} dz + \int_{C(1,\frac{1}{2})} \frac{3z-2}{z^2-z} dz$$

By Cauchy integral formula, we have

$$\int_{C(0,\frac{1}{2})} \frac{3z-2}{z^2-z} dz = \int_{C(0,\frac{1}{2})} \frac{(3z-2)/(z-1)}{z} dz = 2\pi i \frac{3(0)-2}{0-1} = 4\pi i$$

and

$$\int_{C(1,\frac{1}{2})} \frac{3z-2}{z^2-z} dz = \int_{C(1,\frac{1}{2})} \frac{(3z-2)/z}{z-1} dz = 2\pi i \frac{3(1)-2}{1} = 2\pi i$$

As a result, we have

$$\int_{C_2} \frac{3z - 2}{z^2 - z} dz = 4\pi i + 2\pi i = 6\pi i$$

(c) Decomposite C_3 into T_1 and T_2 , where T_1 and T_2 are the left and right parts of C_3 respectively. Then we have

$$\int_{C_3} \frac{2z^2 - z + 1}{(z - 1)^2(z + 1)} dz = \int_{T_1} \frac{2z^2 - z + 1}{(z - 1)^2(z + 1)} dz + \int_{T_2} \frac{2z^2 - z + 1}{(z - 1)^2(z + 1)} dz$$

By Cauchy integral formula, we have

$$\int_{T_1} \frac{2z^2 - z + 1}{(z - 1)^2 (z + 1)} dz = \int_{T_1} \frac{(2z^2 - z + 1)/(z - 1)^2}{z + 1} dz = 2\pi i \frac{2(-1)^2 - (-1) + 1}{((-1)^2 - 1)^2} = 2\pi i \frac{2(-1)^2 - (-1)}{(-1)^2} = 2\pi i \frac{2(-1)^2 - (-1)}$$

and

$$\int_{T_2} \frac{2z^2 - z + 1}{(z - 1)^2(z + 1)} dz = -\int_{-T_2} \frac{(2z^2 - z + 1)/(z + 1)}{(z - 1)^2} dz = -2\pi i \left(\frac{2z^2 - z + 1}{z + 1}\right)'|_{z=1} = -2\pi i$$

As a result, we have

$$\int_{C_3} \frac{2z^2 - z + 1}{(z - 1)^2 (z + 1)} dz = 2\pi i - 2\pi i = 0$$