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- Integration of complex-valued function of real variable
 - Contour integral
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Integration of complex-valued function of real variable

Defn: Let $w(t) = u(t) + i v(t)$ be a complex-valued function of real variable. The integral of $w(t)$ is defined by

$$\int w(t) dt = \int u(t) dt + i \int v(t) dt.$$

Remark: The Fundamental theorem of Calculus also holds in this case. i.e. If $w'(t) = w(t)$, then

$$\int_a^b w(t) dt = \int_a^b w'(t) dt = w(b) - w(a).$$

Example: 1) Show that for non-zero integer n ,

$$\int_0^\pi e^{(1+ni)x} dx = \int_0^\pi e^x \cos nx dx + i \int_0^\pi e^x \sin nx dx.$$

Hence find the integrals on the R.H.S.

Ans: Note that

$$\int_0^\pi e^{(1+ni)x} dx = \int_0^\pi e^x \cdot e^{inx} dx$$

$$= \int_0^\pi e^x (\cos nx + i \sin nx) dx$$

$$= \int_0^\pi e^x \cos nx dx + i \int_0^\pi e^x \sin nx dx. \quad (*)$$

Also we have

$$\begin{aligned} \int_0^\pi e^{(1+ni)x} dx &= \left. \frac{e^{(1+ni)x}}{(1+ni)} \right|_0^\pi \\ &= \frac{1}{1+ni} (e^{\pi+i n \pi} - 1) \end{aligned}$$

$$= \frac{1}{1+ni} ((-i)^n e^\pi - 1)$$

$$= \frac{1-ni}{1+n^2} ((-i)^n e^\pi - 1)$$

$$= \frac{1}{1+n^2} ((-i)^n e^\pi - 1) + i \left(\frac{-n}{1+n^2} ((-i)^n e^\pi - 1) \right)$$

By comparing the real and imaginary parts on both sides of (*), we have

$$\int_0^\pi e^x \cos nx \, dx = \frac{1}{1+n^2} ((-i)^n e^\pi - 1) \quad \text{and}$$

$$\int_0^\pi e^x \sin nx \, dx = \frac{-n}{1+n^2} ((-i)^n e^\pi - 1)$$

Remark: Try to compute $\int_0^\pi e^{mx} \cos nx \, dx$ and $\int_0^\pi e^{mx} \sin nx \, dx$

by the same trick.

Contour Integral

Defn: Let $\gamma: [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ be a piecewise differentiable arc.

- γ is said to be closed if $\gamma(a) = \gamma(b)$
- γ is said to be simple if γ is injective on (a, b) .

Defn: Let $\gamma: [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ be a differentiable arc.

Let $f: \Omega \subseteq \mathbb{C} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ be an \mathbb{C} -valued function

and $\gamma([a, b]) \subseteq \Omega$.

The contour integral of f along γ is defined to be

$$\int_\gamma f \, dz = \int_a^b f(\gamma(t)) \gamma'(t) \, dt.$$

↖ complex multiplication,
not dot product

Example: 1) Compute the contour integral of $f(z) = z^2$ along

a) $\gamma_1(t) = t\bar{i}$, $t \in [0, 1]$

b) $\gamma_2(t) = t + \bar{i}$, $t \in [0, 1]$

c) $\gamma_3(t) = t + t^2\bar{i}$, $t \in [0, 1]$.

Ans: a)
$$\int_{\gamma_1} f(z) dz = \int_0^1 (t\bar{i})^2 (\bar{i}) dt$$

$$= -\bar{i} \int_0^1 t^2 dt$$

$$= -\frac{\bar{i}}{3}$$

b)
$$\int_{\gamma_2} f(z) dz = \int_0^1 (t + \bar{i})^2 (1) dt$$

$$= \int_0^1 (t^2 + 2\bar{i}t - 1) dt$$

$$= \int_0^1 (t^2 - 1) dt + 2\bar{i} \int_0^1 t dt$$

$$= \frac{-2}{3} + \bar{i}$$

c)
$$\int_{\gamma_3} f(z) dz = \int_0^1 (t + t^2\bar{i})^2 (1 + 2t\bar{i}) dt$$

$$= \int_0^1 (t^2 + 2t^3\bar{i} - t^4) (1 + 2t\bar{i}) dt$$

$$= \int_0^1 (t^2 - t^4 - 4t^4) dt$$

$$+ \bar{i} \int_0^1 (2t^3 + 2t^3 - 2t^5) dt$$

$$= \frac{-2}{3} + \frac{2}{3}\bar{i}$$

Remark: Note that we have

$$\int_{\gamma_1 + \gamma_2} f(z) dz = \int_{\gamma_1} f(z) dz + \int_{\gamma_2} f(z) dz = \int_{\gamma_3} f(z) dz.$$

2) Compute the contour integral where f is the principal branch of $z^{n\bar{i}}$ ($n \neq 0$) & C is the semicircle with $z = e^{i\theta}$, ($0 \leq \theta \leq \pi$).

Ans: $z^{n\bar{i}} = \exp(n\bar{i} \operatorname{Log} z)$
 $= \exp(n\bar{i} (\ln|z| + i \operatorname{Arg} z))$

So $\int_C f(z) dz = \int_0^\pi \exp(n\bar{i} (\ln(1) + i\theta)) \cdot i e^{i\theta} d\theta$
 $= i \int_0^\pi e^{-n\theta} \cdot e^{i\theta} d\theta$
 $= i \int_0^\pi e^{(n+i)\theta} d\theta$
 $= i \left. \frac{e^{(n+i)\theta}}{n+i} \right|_0^\pi$
 $= \frac{i}{n+i} (e^{(n+i)\pi} - 1)$
 $= \frac{i(-n-i)}{n^2+1} (-e^{-n\pi} - 1)$
 $= -\frac{e^{-n\pi} + 1}{1+n^2} (1-n\bar{i})$

Anti-derivative and path independence

Prop: (Chain rule for analytic function)

If f is analytic and $z(t) = (x(t), y(t))$ is a differentiable curve sitting inside the domain of f , then we have

$$\frac{d}{dt} f(z(t)) = f'(z(t)) z'(t)$$

Proof: let $f = u + iv$.

By Chain rule, we have

$$\frac{d}{dt} f(z(t)) = \frac{d}{dt} u(z(t)) + i \frac{d}{dt} v(z(t))$$

$$\begin{aligned}
&= \frac{d}{dt} u(x(t), y(t)) + i \frac{d}{dt} v(x(t), y(t)) \\
&= u_x x' + u_y y' + i(v_x x' + v_y y') \\
&\stackrel{\text{CR-eqn}}{=} u_x x' - v_x y' + i(v_x x' + u_y y') \\
&= (u_x + i v_x)(x' + i y') \\
&= f'(z(t)) z'(t).
\end{aligned}$$

□

Now suppose $f = F'$ for some analytic $F = U + iV$

Then

$$\begin{aligned}
\int_{\gamma} f(z) dz &= \int_a^b f(\gamma(t)) \gamma'(t) dt \\
&= \int_a^b F'(\gamma(t)) \gamma'(t) dt \\
&= \int_a^b \frac{d}{dt} F(\gamma(t)) dt \\
&= \int_a^b \frac{d}{dt} U(\gamma(t)) + i \int_a^b \frac{d}{dt} V(\gamma(t)) dt \\
&= U(\gamma(b)) - U(\gamma(a)) + i(V(\gamma(b)) - V(\gamma(a))) \\
&= F(\gamma(b)) - F(\gamma(a)).
\end{aligned}$$

Hence we have

Anti-derivative exists \Rightarrow path independence

i.e. $\int_{\gamma_1} f(z) dz = \int_{\gamma_2} f(z) dz$

whenever $\gamma_1(a) = \gamma_2(a)$ and $\gamma_1(b) = \gamma_2(b)$