

Complex functions for Engineering Students

Work sheet 6

Exercise 1: Calculate the following integrals:

- a) $\oint_{C_1} \frac{e^z}{z} dz$, $C_1 : [0, 2\pi] \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$, $C_1(t) = 2 + e^{it}$,
- b) $\oint_{C_2} \frac{e^z}{z} dz$, $C_2 : [0, 2\pi] \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$, $C_2(t) = 2e^{it}$,
- c) $\oint_{C_2} \frac{\pi e^{iz^2}}{(z-i)^2} dz$, $C_2 : [0, 2\pi] \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$, $C_2(t) = 2e^{it}$,
- d) $\oint_{C_3} \frac{z \cos(2z)}{(z - \frac{\pi}{3})^3} dz$, $C_3 : [0, 2\pi] \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$, $C_3(t) = 1 + e^{it}$,
- e) $\oint_{C_4} \frac{z \cos(2z)}{(z - \frac{\pi}{3})^3} dz$, $C_4 : [0, 6\pi] \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$, $C_4(t) = \frac{1}{2} e^{2it}$,
- f) $\oint_{C_5} \frac{z \cos(2z)}{(z - \frac{\pi}{3})^3} dz$, $C_5 : [0, 6\pi] \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$, $C_5(t) = 1 + 2e^{it}$,
- g) $\oint_{C_6} \frac{1}{z^2 + 2z + 10} dz$, $C_6 : [0, 4\pi] \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$, $C_6(t) = -3i + 3e^{-it}$.
- h) $\oint_{C_7} \frac{z^2 + 2}{(z^3 - z^2 + z - 1)} dz$, $C_7 : |z - 0.5| = 1$, traversed once counterclockwise.

Solution to Exercise 1:

a) According to Cauchy's Integral Theorem, we have: $\oint_{C_1} \frac{e^z}{z} dz = 0$.

b) According to the first Cauchy's Integral Formula (see lecture for conditions):

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

Therefore, $\oint_{C_2} \frac{e^z}{z} dz = 2\pi i e^0 = 2\pi i$

c) According to the second Cauchy's Integral Formula (see lecture for conditions):

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

Therefore,
$$\oint_{C_2} \frac{\pi e^{iz^2}}{(z - i)^2} dz = 2\pi i \left(\pi e^{iz^2} \right)'_{z=i} = 2\pi^2 i^2 \cdot 2ie^{i^3} = -4\pi^2 i e^{-i}.$$

d) Since $(z \cos(2z))'' = (-2z \sin(2z) + \cos(2z))' = -4z \cos(2z) - 4 \sin(2z)$, we obtain with the second Cauchy's Integral Formula:

$$I_3 := \oint_{C_3} \frac{z \cos(2z)}{(z - \frac{\pi}{3})^3} dz = \pi i [-4z \cos(2z) - 4 \sin(2z)]_{z=\frac{\pi}{3}} = 2\pi i \left(\frac{\pi}{3} - \sqrt{3} \right)$$

e) From Cauchy's Integral Theorem, it follows that
$$\oint_{C_4} \frac{z \cos(2z)}{(z - \frac{\pi}{3})^3} dz = 0.$$

f) C_5 encircles the pole in the same manner as C_3 but three times. Therefore, we get:

$$I_5 := \oint_{C_5} \frac{z \cos(2z)}{(z - \frac{\pi}{3})^3} dz = 3I_3 = 2\pi i (\pi - 3\sqrt{3}).$$

g) Consider $f(z) = \frac{1}{z^2 + 2z + 10}$.

Finding the roots of the denominator: $z^2 + 2z + 10 = (z + 1)^2 + 9 = 0 \iff z_{1,2} = -1 \pm 3i$.

Then,
$$\oint_{C_6} f(z) dz = \oint_{C_6} \frac{\frac{1}{z - (-1+3i)}}{z - (-1-3i)} dz = -2 \cdot 2\pi i \cdot \frac{1}{-1-3i - (-1+3i)} = \frac{2\pi}{3}.$$

h) We have
$$\frac{z^2 + 1}{(z^3 - z^2 + z - 1)} = \frac{z^2 + 1}{(z^2 + 1)(z - 1)}.$$

The points $\pm i$ are outside $|z - 0.5| \leq 1$. Thus, it follows that:

$$\oint_{|z-0.5|=1} \frac{z^2 + 2}{(z^3 - z^2 + z - 1)} dz = \oint_{|z-0.5|=1} \frac{\frac{z^2+2}{z^2+1}}{(z-1)} dz = 2\pi i \left(\frac{1^2+2}{1^2+1} \right) = 3\pi i.$$

(Cauchy's Integral Formula with $f(z) = \frac{z^2+2}{z^2+1}$)

Exercise 2:

Given the function

$$g(z) = \frac{2 + 3z + z^2}{(z^2 + 4)(z^2 - 1)}, \quad f(z) = \frac{1 + z}{z^2(z + i)}, \quad \tilde{f}(z) = \frac{\cos(z) - 2}{z^2} :$$

- a) How many Laurent series are there for g , f or \tilde{f} at $z_0 = 0$?
- b) Determine the Laurent series of the functions f and \tilde{f} for the point $z_0 = 0$ that converges to $f(2)$ or $\tilde{f}(2)$ in the neighborhood of $z^* = 2$.

Hint: polynomial long division should be used!

Solution:

- a) For g , there are three Laurent series around zero in the following rings:

$$R_1 : 0 < |z| < 1, \quad R_2 : 1 < |z| < 2, \quad R_3 : 2 < |z|.$$

For f , there are two Laurent series around zero in the following rings:

$$R_1 : 0 < |z| < 1, \quad R_2 : 1 < |z|.$$

For \tilde{f} , there is only one Laurent series around zero. The series converges in the dotted complex plane:

$$\mathbb{C} \setminus \{0\} : 0 < |z|.$$

- b) We approximate for $|z| > 1$ and $z_0 = 0$:

$$\begin{aligned} f(z) &= i + \frac{1 + z}{z^2(z + i)} = \frac{1}{z^2} \cdot \frac{1 + z}{z + i} = i + \frac{1}{z^2} \cdot \left(1 + \frac{1 - i}{z + i}\right) \\ &= \frac{1}{z^2} + \frac{1 - i}{z^2} \cdot \left(\frac{1}{z + i}\right) = \frac{1}{z^2} + \frac{1 - i}{z^2} \cdot \left(\frac{1}{z} \cdot \frac{1}{1 - \frac{-i}{z}}\right) \\ &= \frac{1}{z^2} + \frac{1 - i}{z^3} \cdot \left(\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-i)^k}{z^k}\right) = \frac{1}{z^2} + \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{1 - i}{i^k \cdot z^{k+3}} \\ &= z^{-2} + \sum_{k=-\infty}^{-3} (1 - i)i^{k+3}z^k \end{aligned}$$

For \tilde{f} , it holds that in the dotted complex plane $0 < |z|$:

$$\tilde{f}(z) = \frac{\cos(z) - 2}{z^2} = -\frac{2}{z^2} + \frac{1}{z^2} \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^k}{(2k)!} z^{2k} = -\frac{1}{z^2} + \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^k}{(2k)!} z^{2(k-1)}.$$

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