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Math 503 Complex Analysis - Homework 2 – Solutions

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Q-1) Let $f(z) = u(x, y) + iv(x, y)$ be a complex differentiable function with continuous first partials in a simply connected open set G . Use Green's theorem to show that

$$\int_{\gamma} f(z) dz = 0$$

for every smooth loop γ in G .

Solution:

Let γ be a smooth loop and let D be the inside of γ . When $M(x, y)$ and $N(x, y)$ have continuous first partials on an open region containing γ and D , then Green's theorem states that

$$\int_{\gamma} M dx + N dy = \int_D (N_y - M_x) dx dy.$$

Note here that if $\omega = M dx + N dy$, then $d\omega = (N_y - M_x) dx dy$. Moreover observe that $\partial D = \gamma$, where ∂ denotes the boundary. Thus this is a special case of the Stokes' theorem which says that

$$\int_{\partial D} \omega = \int_D d\omega,$$

when certain smoothness conditions hold.

In our case we have

$$\omega = f(z) dz = (u + iv)(dx + idy) = (u dx - v dy) + i(v dx + u dy),$$

and

$$d\omega = -(v_x + u_y) dx dy + i(u_x - v_y) dx dy.$$

But $d\omega = 0$ because of the Cauchy-Riemann equations which follow from the assumption that f is analytic. Now the green's theorem gives the required vanishing.

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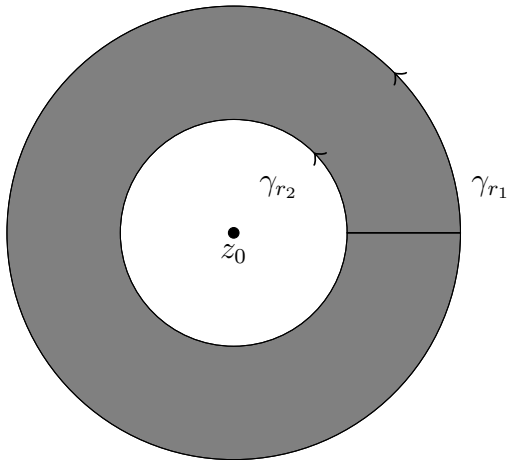
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Q-2) Let $f(z) = u(x, y) + iv(x, y)$ be a complex differentiable function with continuous first partials in a simply connected open set G . Let $z_0 \in G$ be a fixed point. Show that the integral

$$\int_{|z-z_0|=r} \frac{f(z)}{z-z_0} dz$$

is independent of $r > 0$ provided that the closed ball of radius r centered at z_0 totally lies in G .

Solution:



In the above figure, the function $g(z) = \frac{f(z)}{z-z_0}$ is analytic on the shaded region which lies between the curves γ_{r_1} and γ_{r_2} . By Cauchy theorem the integral of g along the boundary of this region is zero. But the boundary is $\gamma = \gamma_{r_1} - \gamma_{r_2}$. This gives

$$\int_{\gamma_{r_1}} g = \int_{\gamma_{r_2}} g,$$

showing that the value of the integral does not depend on the radius.

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Q-3 In the previous question you showed that the value of the given integral is independent of r . Find that value.

Solution:

Let $r > 0$ be such that the closed disk D_r with radius r and center z_0 totally lies in G . Define a new function on G as

$$h(z) = \begin{cases} \frac{f(z)-f(z_0)}{z-z_0} & z \neq z_0, \\ f'(z_0) & z = z_0. \end{cases}$$

Then g is continuous on G since f is analytic on G . Let $M > 0$ be such that $|g(z)| \leq M$ for all $z \in D_r$. We then have

$$\lim_{r \rightarrow 0} \left| \int_{|z-z_0|=r} g(z) dz \right| \leq \lim_{r \rightarrow 0} \int_{|z-z_0|=r} |g(z)| dz \leq \lim_{r \rightarrow 0} 2\pi r M = 0.$$

Since the integral $\int_{|z-z_0|=r} \frac{f(z)}{z-z_0} dz$ is independent of r , its value does not change if we take the limit as r goes to zero. We then have

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{|z-z_0|=r} \frac{f(z)}{z-z_0} dz &= \lim_{r \rightarrow 0} \int_{|z-z_0|=r} \frac{f(z)}{z-z_0} dz \\ &= \lim_{r \rightarrow 0} \int_{|z-z_0|=r} \frac{f(z)}{z-z_0} dz - f(z_0) + f(z_0) \\ &= \lim_{r \rightarrow 0} \int_{|z-z_0|=r} \frac{f(z)-f(z_0)}{z-z_0} dz + \lim_{r \rightarrow 0} \int_{|z-z_0|=r} \frac{f(z_0)}{z-z_0} dz \\ &= 0 + \lim_{r \rightarrow 0} 2\pi i f(z_0) \\ &= 2\pi i f(z_0). \end{aligned}$$

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Q-4) Redo question 1, but this time do not assume the continuity of the first partials. This is Goursat's theorem. For the purposes of this homework, instead of giving all the details of the proof, it suffices to summarize the main ideas used in the proof.

Solution:

For this question I will refer you to two articles. The first one is Goursat's original article:
Goursat, E. Sur la définition générale des fonctions analytiques, d'après Cauchy. (French) [[On the general definition of analytic functions, after Cauchy]] Trans. Amer. Math. Soc. 1 (1900), no. 1, 14–16. MR1500519.

The second one simplifies some of the arguments of the above paper:
Moore, Eliakim Hastings . A simple proof of the fundamental Cauchy-Goursat theorem. Trans. Amer. Math. Soc. 1 (1900), no. 4, 499–506, MR1500551

But note the following typos:

P. 501, I.5. For $< \epsilon$, read $\leq \epsilon$

P. 504, II.3,7,11 up, for $<$, read \leq .

Both of these articles are reachable through Bilkent network.