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# Complex Analysis

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**SUMMARY** Applications and Implications of Cauchy's Integral Formula

**CURRENT READING** Saff & Snider, §4.5

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## Applications of Cauchy's Integral Formula

Let  $C$  be a simple closed (positively oriented) contour. If  $f$  is analytic in some simply connected domain  $D$  containing  $C$  and  $z_0$  is **any point inside** of  $C$ , then

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

and

$$\oint_C \frac{f(z)}{(z - z_0)^m} dz = \frac{2\pi i}{(m-1)!} f^{(m-1)}(z_0)$$

These two results lead to a number of other results. Actually, the two formulas are just restatement of one formula, known as the *generalized Cauchy Integral Formula*. Can you see how the first expression (**CIF**) is just a special case ( $m = ??$ ) of the second one?

### EXAMPLES

We have rewritten the integral formulas in the way above so that we can use them to actually evaluate integrals. Let's do the following two.

$$\oint_C \frac{e^{5z}}{z^3} dz =$$

(where  $C$  is  $|z| = 1$  traversed once clockwise)

$$\int_C \frac{2z + 1}{z(z-1)^2} dz =$$

(where  $C$  is given in the sketch)

There are numerous theorems which directly follow from Cauchy's Integral Formula. I have listed a *few* of the more famous ones below...

## Implications of Cauchy's Integral Formula

### Morera's Theorem

If  $f(z)$  is continuous in a simply-connected region  $R$  and if  $\oint_C f(z)dz = 0$  around *every* simple closed curve  $C$  in  $R$ , then  $f(z)$  is analytic in  $R$ .

(NOTE: Morera's Theorem is the converse of the Cauchy-Goursat theorem.)

### Cauchy's Inequality

If  $f(z)$  is analytic inside and on a circle of radius  $r$  and centered at  $z = z_0$  then

$$|f^{(n)}(z_0)| \leq \frac{M \cdot n!}{r^n} \quad n = 0, 1, 2, \dots$$

where  $M$  is an upper bound on  $|f(z)|$  on  $C$

### Liouville's Theorem

Suppose that for all  $z$  in the entire complex plane, if  $f(z)$  is analytic and bounded, (i.e.  $|f(z)| < M$  for some real constant  $M$ ) then  $f(z)$  must be a constant.

### Fundamental Theorem of Algebra

Every polynomial equation  $P(z) = a_0 + a_1z + a_2z^2 + \dots + a_nz^n = 0$  with degree  $n \geq 1$  and  $a_n \neq 0$  has at least one root.

### Gauss' mean value theorem

If  $f(z)$  is analytic inside and on a circle  $C$  with center  $z_0$  and radius  $r$  then  $f(z_0)$  is the mean of the values of  $f(z)$  on  $C$ , namely

$$f(z_0) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} f(z_0 + re^{i\theta})d\theta$$

### Maximum modulus theorem

If  $f(z)$  is analytic inside and on a simple closed curve  $C$  and is not identically equal to a constant, then the maximum value of  $|f(z)|$  occurs on  $C$ .

### Minimum modulus theorem

If  $f(z)$  is analytic inside and on a simple closed curve  $C$  and  $f(z) \neq 0$  inside  $C$ , then the minimum value of  $|f(z)|$  occurs on  $C$ .

### The Argument Theorem

Let  $f(z)$  be analytic inside and on a simple closed curve  $C$  except for a finite number of poles inside  $C$ . Then

$$\frac{1}{2\pi i} \oint \frac{f'(z)}{f(z)} dz = N - P$$

where  $N$  and  $P$  are the number of zeroes and poles of  $f(z)$  inside  $C$

### Rouche's Theorem

If  $f(z)$  and  $g(z)$  are analytic inside and on a simple closed curve  $C$  and if  $|g(z)| < |f(z)|$  on  $C$ , then  $f(z) + g(z)$  and  $f(z)$  have the same number of zeros inside of  $C$ .