

3E1 Problem Sheet 13

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1. State the definition of a simply connected subset of the complex plane. Sketch the following subsets of \mathbb{C} and decide whether they are simply connected; justify your answer

(a) $\{z \in \mathbb{C} \mid 1 < |z| < 2\}$

(b) $\{z \in \mathbb{C} \mid 1 < |z| < 2, 0 \leq \arg(z) \leq \pi\}$

(c) $\{z \in \mathbb{C} \mid z \neq 0, |z| \leq 3\}$

2. Evaluate the following complex integrals, where C is the unit circle traversed counterclockwise from 1.

(a) $\int_C 2z^2 + 3z - i \, dz$ (b) $\int_C \operatorname{Re}(z) \, dz$

Hint: $\cos^2 \alpha = \frac{1}{2}(1 + \cos(2\alpha))$.

3. Let $f(z) = \frac{1}{z^2}$. Decide where $f(z)$ is analytic and compute the integral

$$\int_C f(z) \, dz,$$

where

- (a) C is the upper semi-circle of radius r centred at the origin and traversed counterclockwise,
- (b) C is the lower semi-circle of radius r centred at the origin and traversed clockwise,
- (c) C is the circle of radius r about the origin traversed counterclockwise.