

VI. Integral in the complex plane

1. Contour Integral

(1) Contour integral (complex line integral)

Let $f(z) = u(x, y) + iv(x, y)$ be defined along a piecewise smooth curve (contour or path) c defined by $z = x + iy$

The contour integral of $f(z)$ along c is

$$\int_c f(z) dz = \int_c (u + iv)(dx + dy) = \int_c (udx - vdy) + i \int_c (vdx + udy)$$

→ Two real line integral

(2) Alternative form

Assume smooth curve c is defined by $z(t) = x(t) + iy(t)$, $a \leq t \leq b$

Then

$$\int_c f(z) dz = \int_a^b [ux'(t) - vy'(t)] dt + i \int_a^b [vx'(t) + uy'(t)] dt$$

$$u = u(x(t), y(t)), v = v(x(t), y(t))$$

$$\therefore \int_c f(z) dz = \int_a^b [(u + iv)(x'(t) + iy'(t))] dt = \int_a^b f(z(t)) z'(t) dt$$

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

Ex: evaluate $\oint_c \frac{1}{z} dz$

$$c : z(t) = \cos t + i \sin t$$

Sol: method1:

$$z(t) = \cos t + i \sin t$$

$$z'(t) = -\sin t + i \cos t$$

$$\therefore \oint_c \frac{dz}{z} = \int_0^{2\pi} \frac{z'(t)}{z(t)} dt = \int_0^{2\pi} \frac{-\sin t + i \cos t}{\cos t + i \sin t} dt = i \int_0^{2\pi} dt = 2i\pi$$

method2:

$$z(t) = \cos t + i \sin t = e^{it}$$

$$z'(t) = ie^{it}$$

$$\therefore \oint_c \frac{dz}{z} = \int_0^{2\pi} \frac{z'(t)}{z(t)} dt = \int_0^{2\pi} \frac{ie^{it}}{e^{it}} dt = 2i\pi$$

(3) Basic properties of complex line integral

A. Linear operation

$$\int_c [\alpha f(z) + \beta g(z)] dz = \alpha \int_c f(z) dz + \beta \int_c g(z) dz$$

B. Decomposition

$$\int_c f(z) dz = \int_{c_1} f(z) dz + \int_{c_2} f(z) dz \quad \text{if } c = c_1 \cup c_2$$

C. Reversion

$$\int_{z_0}^{z_1} f(z) dz = - \int_{z_1}^{z_0} f(z) dz$$

(4) A bounding theorem (ML-inequality)

If $|f(z)| \leq M$ for all z on c , then $\left| \int_c f(z) dz \right| \leq ML$ where L is the length of c

Ex: $\int_c \frac{dz}{z}$ $c: z(t) = \cos t + i \sin t, 0 \leq t \leq 2\pi$

Sol: $f(z) = \frac{1}{z}$

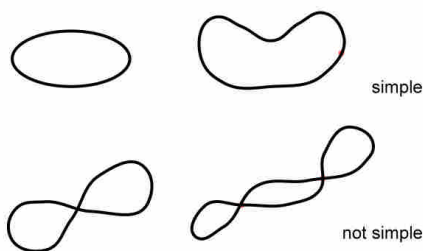
$$|f(z)| = \left| \frac{1}{z} \right| = \frac{1}{|z|} \leq 1 = M \quad \text{for all } z \text{ on } c$$

\therefore According to ML-inequality, we have

$$\therefore \left| \int_c \frac{dz}{z} \right| \leq ML = (1)(2\pi)$$

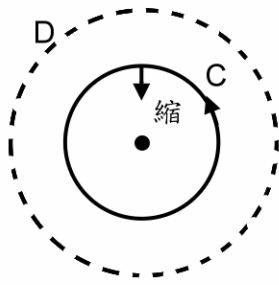
2. Cauchy-Goursat Theorem (Cauchy Integral Theorem)

(1) Simple closed contour (path) a closed path doesn't intersect itself

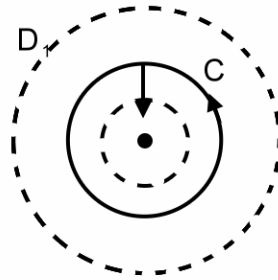


(2) Simple connected domain

Every simple closed contour C lying in domain D can be shrunk to a point
Without leaving D



simple connected domain



not simple connected domain

(3) Cauchy-Goursat Theorem

A. Suppose a function $f(z)$ is analytic in a simple connected domain D,

Then for

Every simple closed path C in D

$$\oint_C f(z) dz = 0$$

B. If $f(z)$ is analytic at all points within and on a simple closed contour

C, Then

$$\oint_C f(z) dz = 0$$

[Proof]

$$\oint_C f(z) dz = \oint_C (u dx - v dy) + i \oint_C (v dx + u dy)$$

According to Green Theorem, we have

$$\int_C f dx + g dy = \int_D \left(\frac{\partial g}{\partial x} - \frac{\partial f}{\partial y} \right) dA$$

$$\therefore \int_C (u dx - v dy) = \int_D \left(-\frac{\partial v}{\partial x} - \frac{\partial u}{\partial y} \right) dA$$

$$\int_C (v dx + u dy) = \int_D \left(\frac{\partial u}{\partial x} - \frac{\partial v}{\partial y} \right) dA$$

$\therefore f(z)$ is analytic in D

\therefore Cauchy – Riemann equation are satisfied

Thus

$$\begin{cases} \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} = \frac{\partial v}{\partial y} \\ \frac{\partial u}{\partial y} = -\frac{\partial v}{\partial x} \end{cases}$$

Hence

$$I_1 = 0$$

$$I_2 = 0$$

$$\therefore \oint_C f(z) dz = 0$$

EX: Evaluate $\oint_C e^z dz = 0$ C: simple closed contour

(Sol)

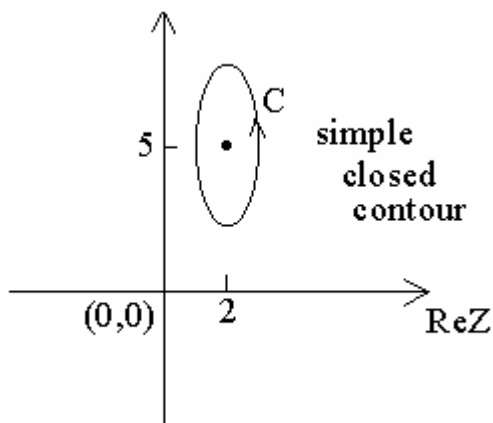
$\oint_C e^z dz = 0$ is entire function

e^z is analytic on entire complex

\therefore Form Cauchy integral theorem, we have

$$\oint_C e^z dz = 0$$

Ex. Evaluate $\oint_C \frac{dz}{z^2}$ $c: (x-2)^2 + \frac{(y-5)^2}{4} = 1$



$f(z) = \frac{1}{z^2}$ analytic except $z=0$

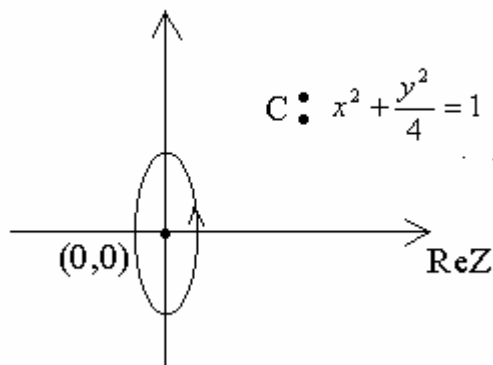
$\therefore f(z) = \frac{1}{z^2}$ is analytic within and on c.

According to Cauchy integral-theorem, we have

$$\oint_C \frac{dz}{z^2} = 0$$

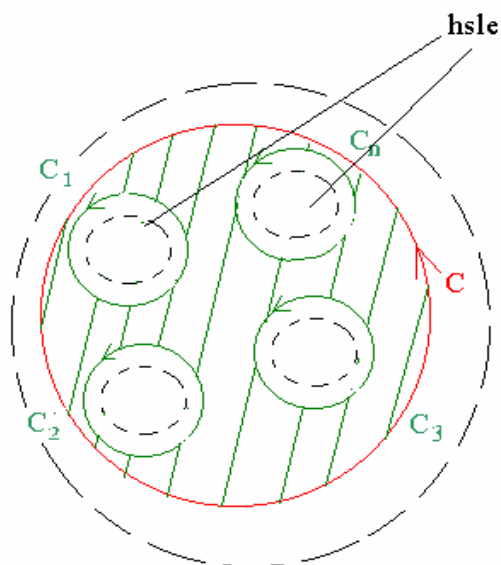
If the contour C is $x^2 + \frac{y^2}{4} = 1$,

Then $\oint_C \frac{dz}{z^2} = ?$



(4) multiple connected domain (MCD)

A domain is not simple connected called
Multiple connected domain



(5) Cauchy Integral Theorem for MCD Let $C_1, C_2, C_3, \dots, C_n$ be simple

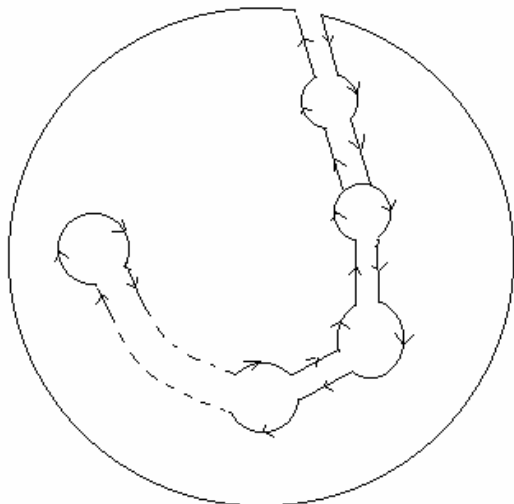
closed curves with positive orientation. Courves $C_1, C_2, C_3, \dots, C_n$ are
interior to curve c and have no points in common.

If function $f(z)$ is analytic on each contour and at each point interior

to C but exterior to all the C_n , then

$$\oint_C f(z) dz = \sum_{k=1}^n \oint_{C_k} f(z) dz$$

[proof]



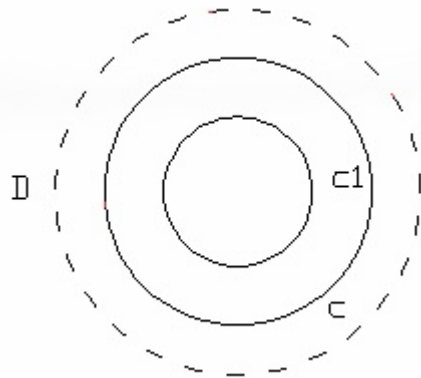
$$\therefore \int_{c-c_1-c_2-\dots-c_n} f(z) dz + \sum (\downarrow + \uparrow)$$

$$= \oint_C f(z) dz + \sum_{k=1}^n \oint_{C_k} f(z) dz + \int_{\sum (\downarrow + \uparrow)} f(z) dz \xrightarrow{0}$$

= 0 (From Cauchy integral theorem)

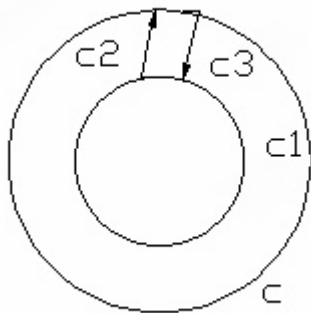
$$\oint_C f(z) dz = - \sum_{k=1}^n \oint_{C_k} f(z) dz = \sum_{k=1}^n \oint_{C_k} f(z) dz$$

Principle of Deformation of Contour



$$\oint_c f(z) dz = \oint_{c1} f(z) dz$$

[proof]



$$\begin{aligned} & \because \int_{c1+c2+c3} f(z) dz \\ &= \oint_{c1} f(z) dz + \int_{c2 \uparrow} + \int_{c3 \downarrow} + \oint_c f(z) dz \\ &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

(Cachy integral theorem)

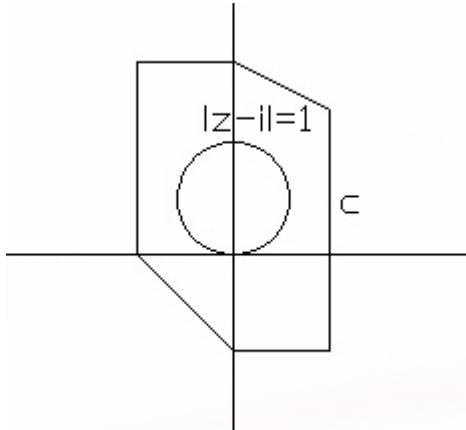
$$\therefore \oint_c f(z) dz = \oint_{c1} f(z) dz$$

[note]

This formula allow us to evaluate an integral over an complex simple closed contour by replacing a simple contour.

Ex :

Evaluate $I = \oint_c \frac{dz}{z-i}$, c is as shown



Sol

$$f(z) = \frac{1}{z-i} \text{ is analytic except } z = i$$

let contour $C_1: |z-i|=1$ enclosing

the point $z = i$

$$\therefore f(z) = \frac{1}{z-i} \text{ is analytic between } C_1 \text{ \& } C_2 \text{ and on } C_1 \text{ \& } C_2$$

\therefore from Cauchy-integral theorem for MCD , we have use complex line

integral to evaluate $\oint_{C_1} \frac{dz}{z-i}$

$$C_1: |z-i|=1$$

$$z-i = e^{it} \quad 0 \leq t \leq 2\pi$$

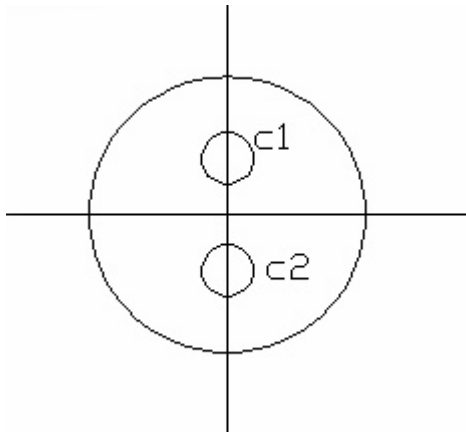
$$dz = i e^{it} dt$$

$$\therefore \oint_{C_1} \frac{dz}{z-i} = \int_0^{2\pi} \frac{i e^{it} dt}{e^{it}} = it \Big|_0^{2\pi} = 2\pi i$$

EX :

Evaluate $\oint_C \frac{dz}{z^2+1}$
 $C: |z|=3$

Sol



$$f(z) = \frac{1}{z^2 + 1} \text{ is not analytic at } \pm i$$

$$\text{Take } \begin{cases} c_1 = |z - i| = \frac{1}{2} \\ c_2 = |z + i| = \frac{1}{2} \end{cases} \text{ with no common point}$$

Form Cauchy integral theorem form MCD , we have

$$\begin{aligned} \oint_c \frac{dz}{z^2 + 1} &= \oint_{c_1} \frac{dz}{z^2 + 1} + \oint_{c_2} \frac{dz}{z^2 + 1} \\ &= \frac{1}{2i} \left[\oint_{c_1} \frac{1}{z - i} - \oint_{c_1} \frac{dz}{z + i} \right] + \frac{1}{2i} \left[\oint_{c_2} \frac{dz}{z - i} - \oint_{c_2} \frac{dz}{z + i} \right] \\ &= \pi - \pi = 0 \end{aligned}$$

3. Independence of Path

(1) path independent

if $f(z)$ is an analytic function in a simple connected domain D , then

$\int_c f(z) dz$ is independent of the path C in D

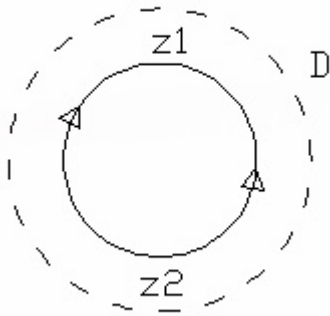


$$\int_c f(z) dz = F(z_1) - F(z_0)$$

where z_0 & z_1 are initial point and end point of contour C ; $f(z)$ is an

antiderivative (or indefinite integral) of $f(z)$ in D , $F'(z) = f(z)$

[proof]



contour c_1 & c_2 are continuous in a simple connected domain D , and c & c_1 form a closed contour

$\therefore f(z)$ is analytic in D , from Cauchy integral theorem, we have

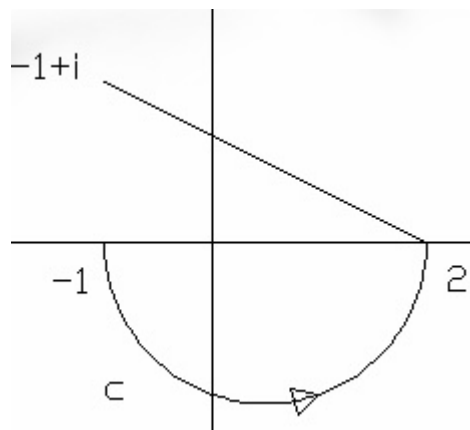
$$\begin{aligned} \oint_{c-c_1} f(z) dz &= 0 \\ &= \int_c f(z) dz + \int_{c_1} f(z) dz \\ &= \int_c f(z) dz - \int_{c_1} f(z) dz \end{aligned}$$

$$\therefore \int_c f(z) dz = \int_{c_1} f(z) dz$$

independent of path

EX :

Evaluate $I = \int_c 2z dz$ C : given as shown



Sol

$f(z) = 2z$ is entire function

$\therefore I = \int_c 2z dz$ is independent of path

$$\begin{aligned} \therefore I &= \int_c 2z dz = \int_{z_0=-1}^{z_1=-1+i} 2z dz = z^2 \Big|_{-1}^{-1+i} \\ &= (-1+i)^2 - (-1)^2 \\ &= -1 - 2i \end{aligned}$$

4. Cauchy Integral Formula

(1) consequence of Cauchy-Goursat Theorem

A. The value of an analytic function $f(z)$ at z_0 in a simply connected domain can be represented by a contour integral

$$f(z_0) = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \oint_c \frac{f(z)}{z - z_0} dz$$

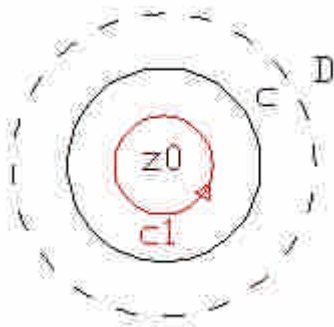
B. An analytic function in a simply connected domain possesses derivatives of all orders

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

(2) Cauchy Integral Formula

If $f(z)$ is analytic at all points within and on a simple closed contour C lying within a simply connected domain D , and z_0 is any point interior to

C , then $f(z_0) = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \oint_c \frac{f(z)}{z - z_0} dz$



[proof]

By principle of deformation of contour

$$\begin{aligned}
I &= \oint_c \frac{f(z)}{z - z_0} dz \\
&= \oint_{c_1} \frac{f(z)}{z - z_0} dz \\
&= \oint_{c_1} \frac{f(z_0) + f(z) - f(z_0)}{z - z_0} dz \\
&= f(z_0) \oint_{c_1} \frac{dz}{z - z_0} + \oint_{c_1} \frac{f(z) - f(z_0)}{z - z_0} dz \\
&= 2\pi i + I_1
\end{aligned}$$

By ML-integrality, and choose $c_1 : |z - z_0| = \frac{\delta}{2}$

$$\begin{aligned}
\therefore |I_1| &= \left| \oint_{c_1} \frac{f(z) - f(z_0)}{z - z_0} \right| \leq \left| \frac{f(z) - f(z_0)}{z - z_0} \right| 2\pi \left(\frac{\delta}{2} \right) \\
&= \frac{|f(z) - f(z_0)|}{|z - z_0|} \pi \delta \leq \frac{\varepsilon}{\delta} \pi \delta = \pi \varepsilon
\end{aligned}$$

$\therefore f(z)$ is continuous at z_0 , for small $\varepsilon > 0$, such that

$$|f(z) - f(z_0)| < \varepsilon \text{ whenever } |z - z_0| < \delta$$

$$\therefore \varepsilon \rightarrow 0 \Rightarrow I_1 = 0$$

$$\therefore \oint_c \frac{f(z)}{z - z_0} = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \oint_c \frac{f(z)}{z - z_0} dz$$

(3) Cauchy Integral Formula for Derivative

If $f(z)$ is analytic in a simply connected domain D , and C is a simple closed contour lying within D , then

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

where z_0 is point interior to C

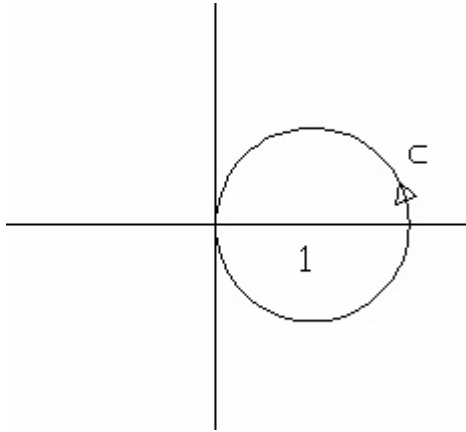
EX :

Evaluate $\oint_c \frac{z^2 + 1}{z^2 - 1} dz$ where C is unit circle with center at ① $z_0 = 1$ ②

$$z_0 = 1/2 \text{ ③ } z_0 = -1 \text{ ④ } z = i$$

Sol

$$\text{① } |z - 1| = 1$$



$$\oint_C \frac{z^2 + 1}{z^2 - 1} dz = \oint_C \frac{1}{z-1} \left(\frac{z^2 + 1}{z+1} \right) dz$$

$\oint_C \frac{z^2 + 1}{z^2 - 1} dz$ is analytic within and on contour C: $|z-1|=1$, and $z_0 = 1$ is within C

\therefore from Cauchy integral theorem, we have

$$\begin{aligned} \oint_C \frac{\left(\frac{z^2 + 1}{z+1} \right)}{z-1} dz &= 2\pi i \left(\frac{z^2 + 1}{z+1} \right)_{z=1} \\ &= 2\pi i \left(\frac{1^2 + 1}{1+1} \right) \\ &= 2\pi i \end{aligned}$$

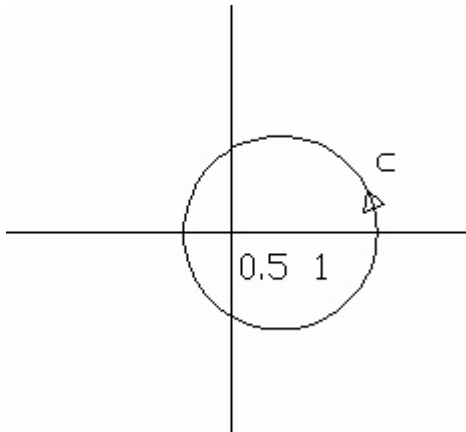
$\oint_C \frac{z^2 + 1}{z^2 - 1} dz$ isn't analytic at $z = \pm 1$

$$C: |z-1|=1$$

$$z-1 = e^{it} \quad -0 \leq t \leq 2\pi$$

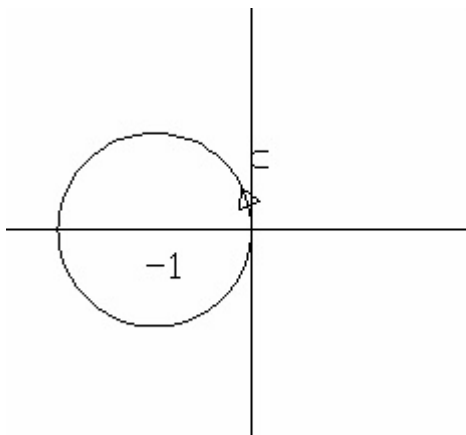
$$\begin{aligned} \oint_{c_1} f(z) dz &= \frac{1}{2} \oint_{c_1} \left[\frac{z^2 + 1}{z-1} - \frac{z^2 + 1}{z+1} \right] dz \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \oint_{c_1} \frac{z^2 + 1}{z-1} dz = \frac{1}{2} \int_0^{2\pi} \frac{(e^{it} + 1)^2 + 1}{e^{it}} i e^{it} dt \\ &= \frac{i}{2} \int_0^{2\pi} (e^{2it} + 2e^{it} + 2) dt \\ &= \frac{i}{2} \left[\frac{1}{2i} e^{2it} + \frac{2}{i} e^{it} + 2t \right]_0^{2\pi} \\ &= 2\pi i \end{aligned}$$

$$\textcircled{2} \left| z - \frac{1}{2} \right| = 1 \text{ containing } z = 1$$



$$\begin{aligned} \therefore \oint_C \frac{z^2 + 1}{z^2 - 1} dz &= \oint_C \left(\frac{z^2 + 1}{z - 1} \right) dz \\ &= 2\pi i \left(\frac{z^2 + 1}{z - 1} \right)_{z=1} = 2\pi i \end{aligned}$$

$$\textcircled{3} |z + 1| = 1$$

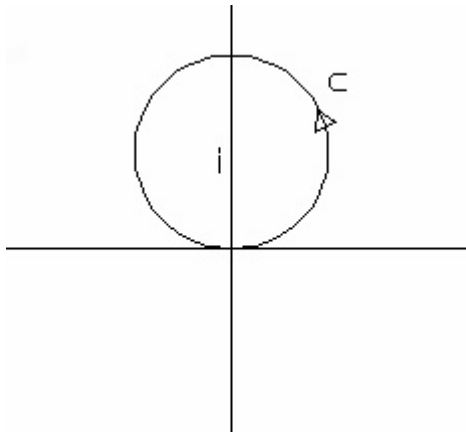


$$\oint_C \frac{z^2 + 1}{z^2 - 1} dz = \oint_C \left(\frac{z + 1}{z - 1} \right) dz$$

$$f(z) = \frac{z + 1}{z - 1} \text{ is analytic within and on contour } |z + 1| = 1$$

$$\begin{aligned} \therefore \oint_C \frac{z^2 + 1}{z^2 - 1} dz &= 2\pi i \left(\frac{z^2 + 1}{z - 1} \right) \\ &= 2\pi i \left(\frac{(-1)^2 + 1}{-1 - 1} \right) \\ &= 2\pi i \end{aligned}$$

$$\textcircled{4} |z - i| = 1$$



$\therefore \frac{z^2 + 1}{z^2 - 1}$ is analytic within and on contour $|z - i| = 1$

\therefore from Cauchy integral theorem

$$\oint_C \frac{z^2 + 1}{z^2 - 1} dz = 0$$