

Complex Analysis HW4

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These problems are usually from the course textbook [1], but sometimes directly from Prof. Blackmore, as is the case in this instance.

1 Problem 1 - Show that the contour integral is invariant under different parametrizations.

See original text for full conditions on the problem.

We define a mapping H such that $\tau = H(t)$, $H : [a, b] \rightarrow [\alpha, \beta]$, noticing that H is one to one and invertible with $t = H^{-1}(\tau)$ and $H(a) = \alpha, H(b) = \beta$, We then have that:

$$\psi(\tau) = \psi(H(t)) = \phi(t).$$

Via chain rule we have that:

$$\frac{d\psi}{d\tau} \frac{d\tau}{dt} = \frac{d\psi}{dH} \frac{dH}{dt}.$$

$$\frac{d\psi}{d\tau} d\tau = \frac{d\psi}{dH} \frac{dH}{dt} dt.$$

We also have that:

$$\psi(H(t)) = \phi(t) \text{ implies that } \frac{d\psi}{dH} \frac{dH}{dt} = \frac{d\phi}{dt} = \frac{d\psi}{dH} \frac{dH}{dt} dt = \frac{d\phi}{dt} dt.$$

Thus, we use these equations and we have that:

$$\int_c f(z) dz = \int_\alpha^\beta f(\psi(\tau)) \frac{d\psi}{d\tau}(\tau) d\tau = \int_a^b f(\psi(H(t))) \frac{d\psi}{dH} \frac{dH}{dt} dt = \int_a^b f(\phi(t)) \frac{d\phi}{dt}(t) dt.$$

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2 Conclusion

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References

- [1] Mark J Ablowitz, Athanassios S Fokas, and AS Fokas. *Complex variables: introduction and applications*. Cambridge University Press, 2003.