

COMPLEX ANALYSIS

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Recap of last week

- definition of a path / contour integral
in \mathbb{C}

$$\int_{\gamma} f(z) dz := \int_a^b f(\gamma(t)) \gamma'(t) dt$$

$$\gamma(t) \quad a \leq t \leq b$$

- always available
- but usually hard
- sometimes impossible

- antiderivatives

If f has a holomorphic antiderivative F in a set U containing the image of γ then

$$\int_{\gamma} f(z) dz = F(\gamma(b)) - F(\gamma(a))$$
$$\gamma(t) \quad a \leq t \leq b$$

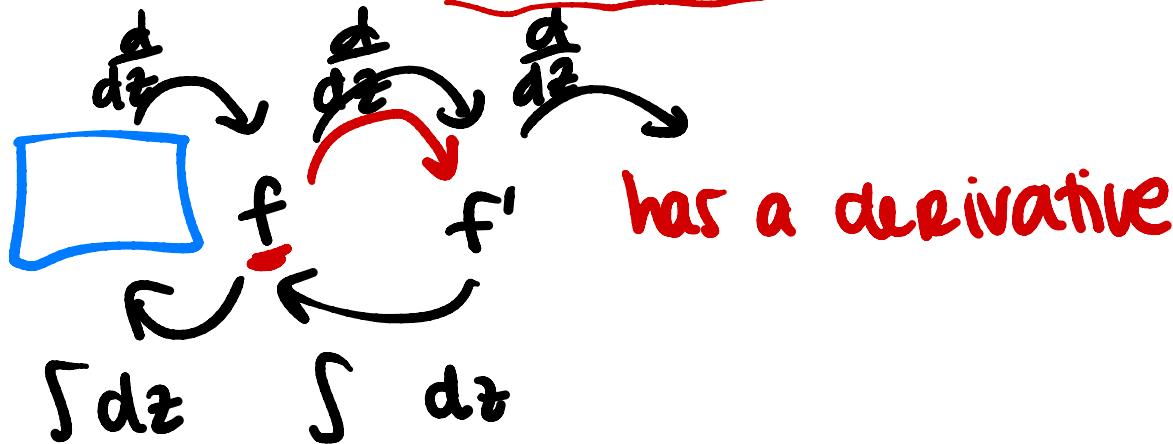
- very restrictive
- pretty easy when you can use it

If f has an antiderivative, $\int_{\gamma} f(z) dz$ is path-independent (depends only on $\gamma(a)$ & $\gamma(b)$)

BMPS shows that if f is continuous and integrals $\int_{\gamma} f(z) dz$ are path independent then f has an antiderivative.

issue is to find / compute it

This week: f is holomorphic!



has a derivative

Takeaway point: being holomorphic is
very strong!! can influence
integration!

Cauchy's Theorem - Many things called that
Warm up 7.1

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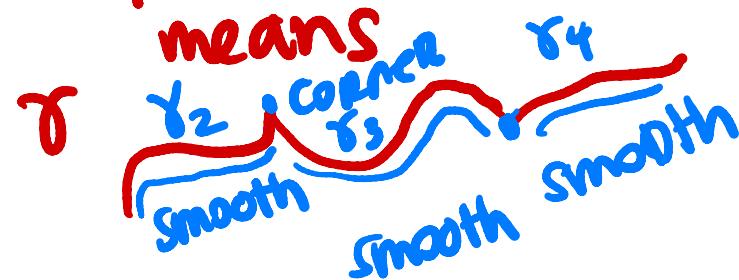
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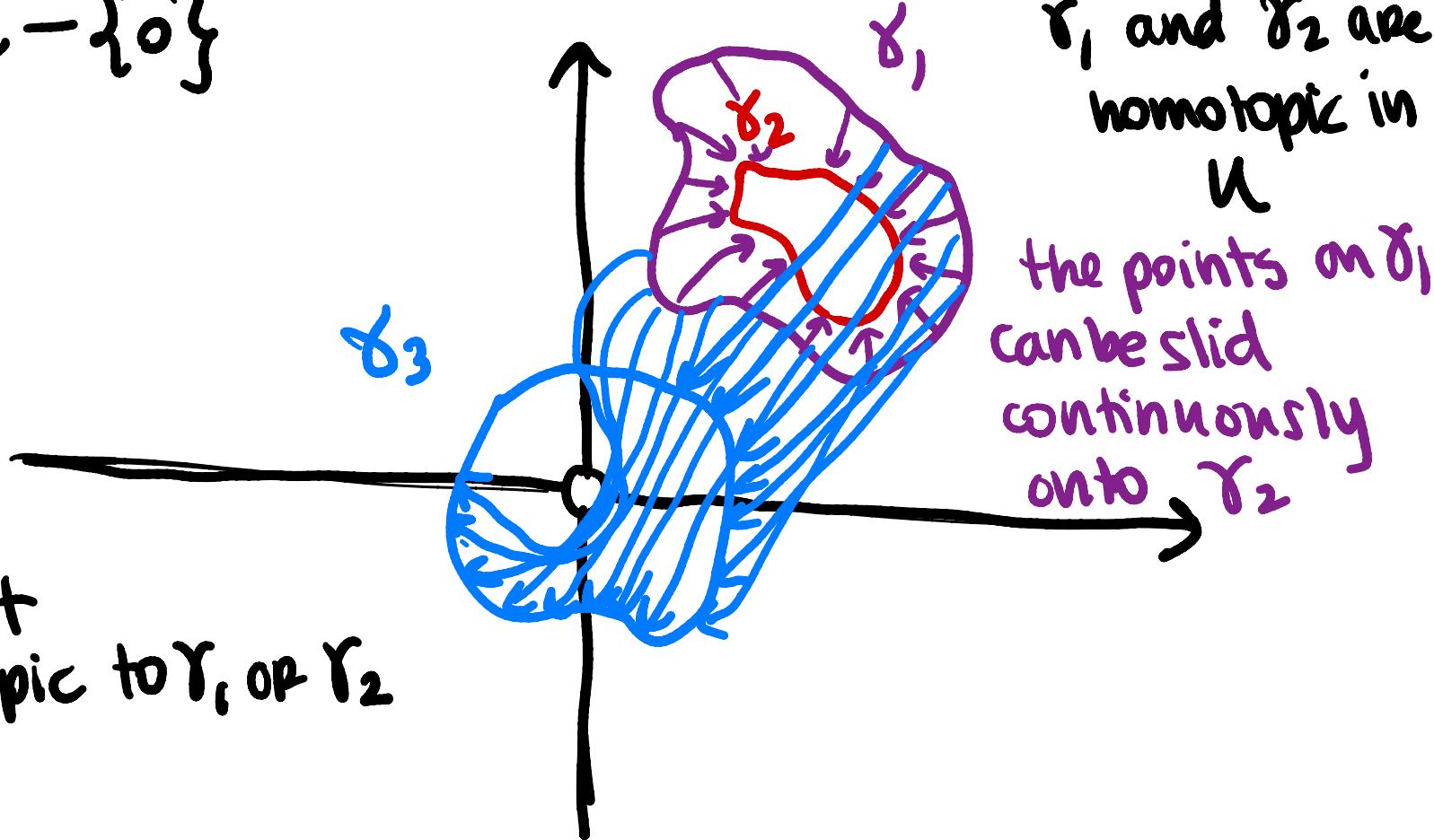
in U

- Smooth 
- no corners
- piecewise smooth



2 paths are homotopic in U if one can be deformed
to the other within U .

$$U = \mathbb{C} - \{0\}$$



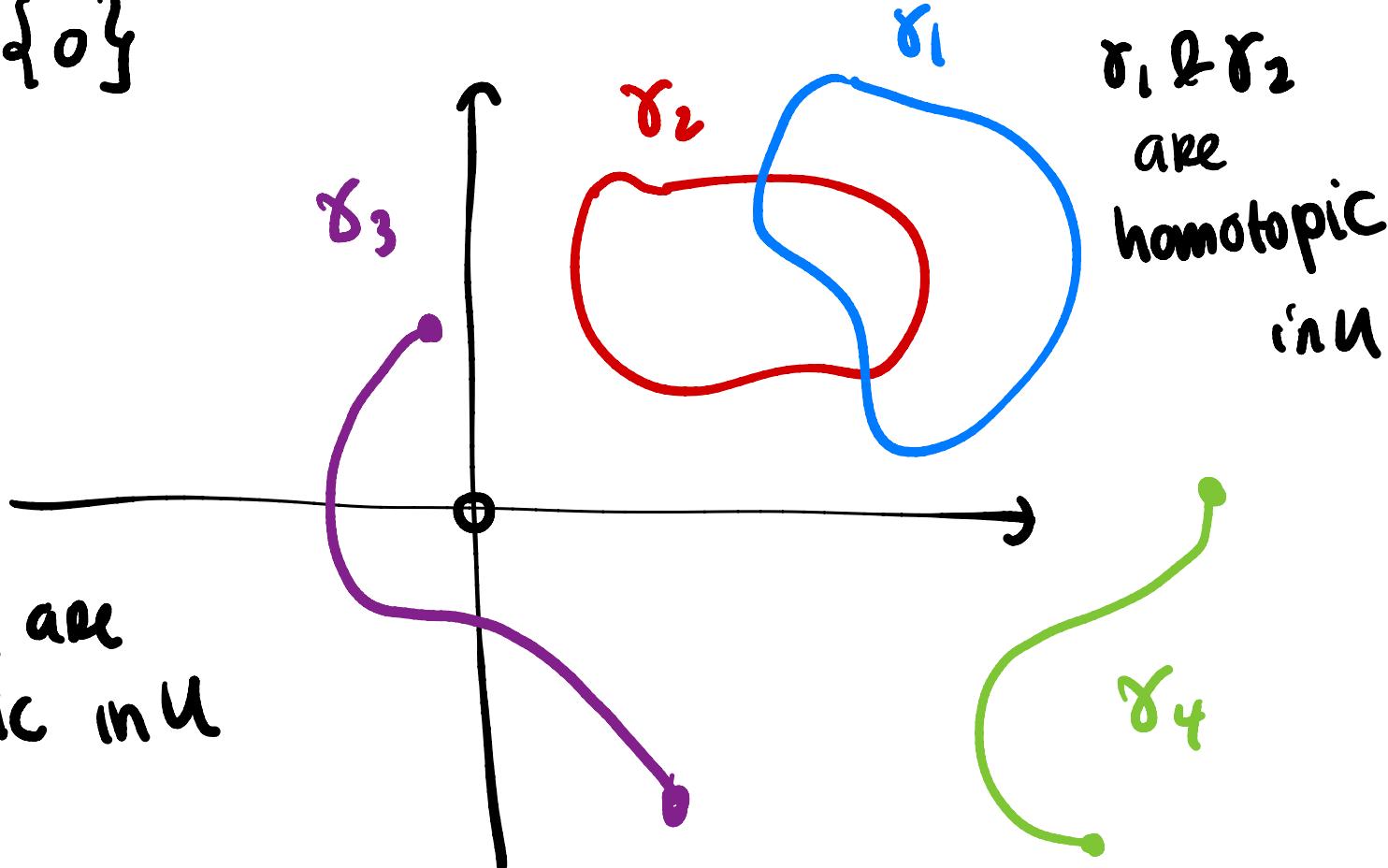
γ_1 and γ_2 are homotopic in U

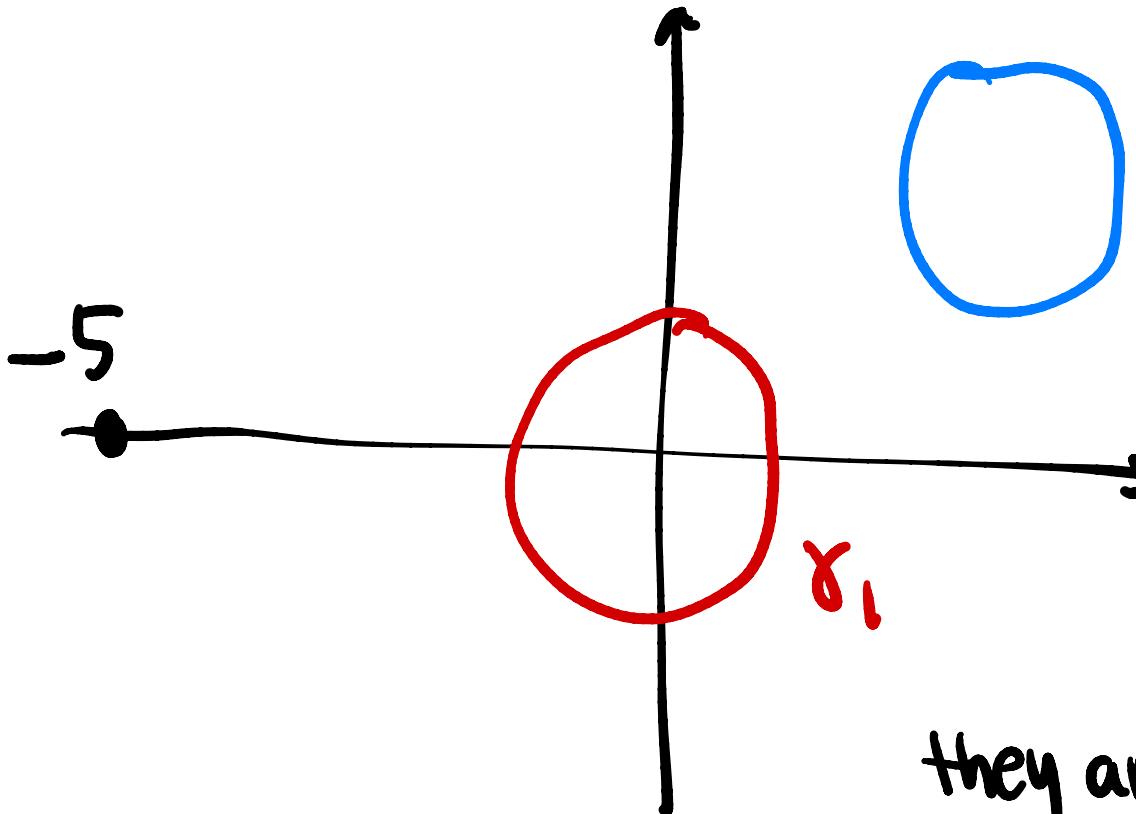
the points on γ_1 can be slid continuously onto γ_2

γ_3 is not homotopic to γ_1 or γ_2

$$U = \mathbb{C} - \{0\}$$

γ_3 and γ_4 are
homotopic in U





γ_1 and γ_2
are not
homotopic
in $\mathbb{C} - \{0\}$
but they are
homotopic in
 \mathbb{C}
they are homotopic
in $\mathbb{C} - \{-5\}$

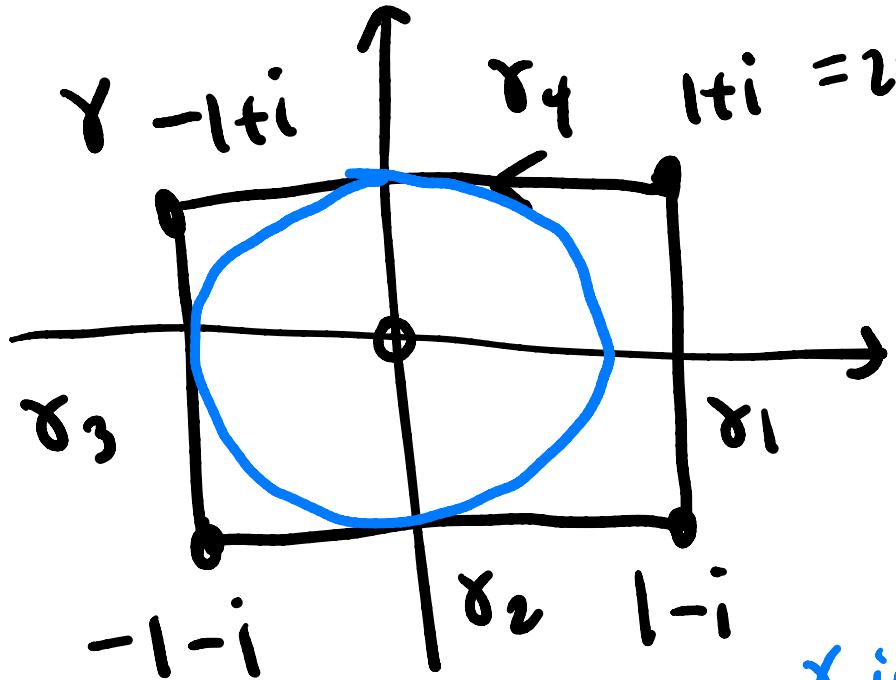
Example

$$\int_{\gamma} \frac{1}{z} dz = \int_0^{2\pi} \frac{1}{e^{it}} ie^{it} dt$$

f is holomorphic
in $U = \mathbb{C} - \{0\}$

$$= it \Big|_0^{2\pi}$$

can do $\int_a^b f(\gamma(t)) \gamma'(t) dt$
but very annoying



$$\begin{aligned} &= \int_{\gamma_1} \frac{1}{z} dz + \int_{\gamma_2} \frac{1}{z} dz \\ &\quad + \int_{\gamma_3} \frac{1}{z} dz + \int_{\gamma_4} \frac{1}{z} dz \end{aligned}$$

γ is homotopic to $\gamma_1(t) = e^{it}$ $0 \leq t \leq \pi$

The upshot is that if f is holomorphic!
you can deform a hard/ complicated path
to a simple one that is homotopic.

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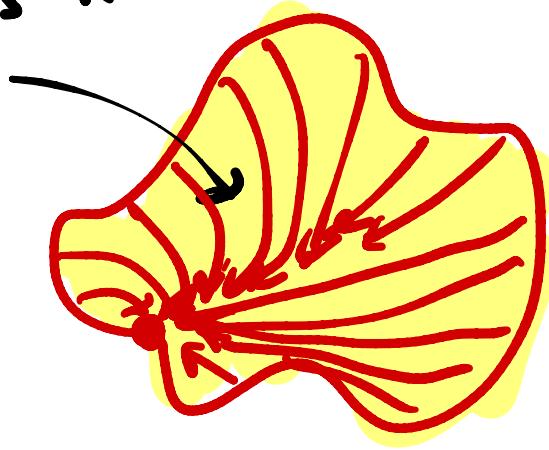
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$$\int_{\gamma} f(z) dz = 0$$

f is holomorphic inside



$$\int_{\gamma} e^z dz = 0 \quad \int_{\gamma} \frac{1}{z} dz \neq 0 \text{ since not holomorphic at } 0 \text{ so can't contract to a point}$$

$\gamma(t) = e^{it} \quad 0 \leq t \leq 2\pi$

These 2 theorems are equivalent

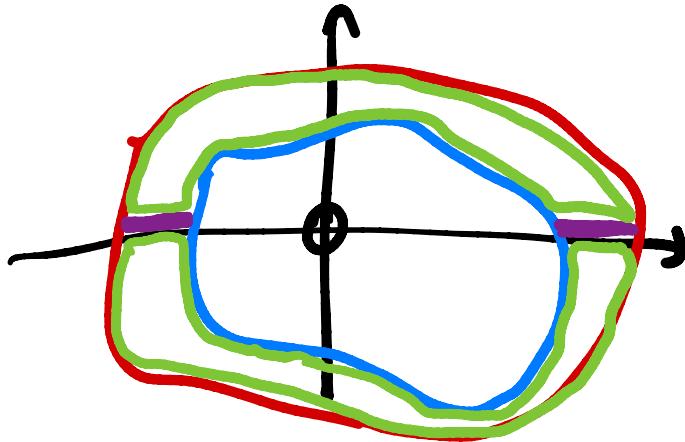
$$\int_{\gamma_1} f(z) dz = \int_{\gamma_2} f(z) dz \quad \text{easy}$$

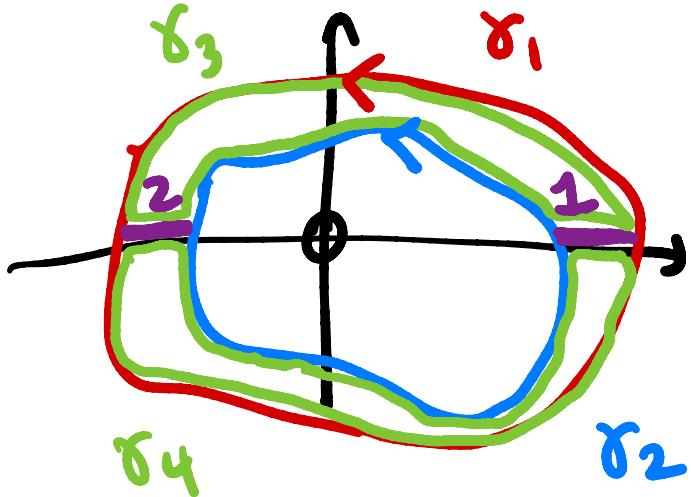
$\gamma_1 \sim_u \gamma_2$

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

$\gamma \sim_u 0$

assume ↑ Let $\gamma \sim_u 0$ then $\int_{\gamma} f(z) dz = \int f(z) dz = 0$
one point





• $\int_{\delta_3} f(z) dz = 0$ since δ_3 is contractible

$$\int_{\delta_4} f(z) dz = 0$$

$$= \int_{\delta_1} f(z) dz - \int_{\delta_2} f(z) dz$$

$$0 = \int_{\delta_3 + \delta_4} f(z) dz = \cancel{\int_{\delta_2} f(z) dz} - \cancel{\int_{\text{top half}} f(z) dz} + \cancel{\int_{\delta_1} f(z) dz}$$

$$+ \cancel{\int_{\text{top half}} f(z) dz} + \int_{\text{bottom half}} f(z) dz$$

$$+ \cancel{\int_{\delta_1} f(z) dz} - \int_{\text{bottom half}} \overset{f(z) dz}{\cancel{f(z) dz}} + \cancel{\int_{\delta_2} f(z) dz}$$

THAT'S ALL FOR TODAY!