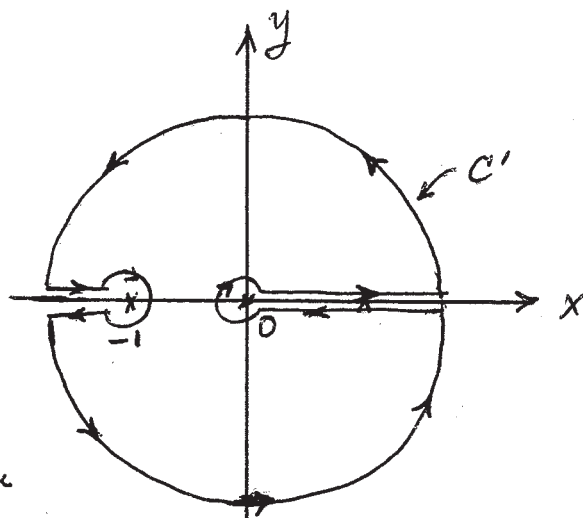


Problem 9)

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

The integral over the contour C' shown in the figure is zero, because the

function $\frac{1}{z(z+1)}$ is analytic everywhere



inside and on this contour. The integrals over the straight-line segments of the contour cancel each other out. The two small circles are traversed clockwise. Thus the integral over the circle of radius $R > 1$ is equal to the sum of the integrals over the two small circles, provided that these small circles are traversed counterclockwise. For the circle surrounding $z=0$ we write $z = \epsilon e^{i\theta}$.

$$\text{Then } \oint_{\text{circle at } z=0} \frac{i\epsilon e^{i\theta} d\theta}{\epsilon e^{i\theta} (\epsilon e^{i\theta} + 1)} \xrightarrow{\epsilon \rightarrow 0} \int_0^{2\pi} i d\theta = 2\pi i$$

For the circle surrounding $z=-1$ we write $z = -1 + \epsilon e^{i\theta}$. We then

$$\text{have } \oint_{\text{circle at } z=-1} \frac{dz}{z(z+1)} = \int_0^{2\pi} \frac{i\epsilon e^{i\theta} d\theta}{(-1 + \epsilon e^{i\theta}) \epsilon e^{i\theta}} \xrightarrow{\epsilon \rightarrow 0} -2\pi i$$

The sum of the two integrals is thus equal to zero. ✓

$$\text{Alternatively, we could write } \oint_C \frac{dz}{z(z+1)} = \oint_C \left(\frac{1}{z} - \frac{1}{z+1} \right) dz = \oint_C \frac{dz}{z} - \oint_C \frac{dz}{z+1}$$

Each integral is then equal to $2\pi i$ times the residue at the corresponding pole, which is equal to 1. The final result is $2\pi i - 2\pi i = 0$, as before.