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**Exercise 1.** Compute  $\int_c \vec{F} \cdot d\vec{r}$ , where  $\vec{F} = \langle x, y \rangle$  and  $c$  is given by  $\vec{r}(t) = \langle \sqrt{\cos(t)} - e^{\sqrt{\cos(t)}}, \sqrt{\sin(t)} \rangle$  with  $0 \leq t \leq \frac{\pi}{2}$ . (Hint: Think about a "fundamental" theorem.)

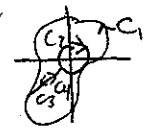
Note:  $\vec{F} = \langle x, y \rangle = \nabla f$  where  $f = \frac{x^2}{2} + \frac{y^2}{2}$ . So, by the fundamental thm for line integrals  $\int_c \vec{F} \cdot d\vec{r} = f|_{\text{end pts.}}$ . Now when  $t=0$   $\sqrt{\cos(t)} - e^{\sqrt{\cos(t)}} = 1 - e$  and  $\sqrt{\sin(t)} = 0$  and when  $t = \pi/2$   $\sqrt{\cos(t)} - e^{\sqrt{\cos(t)}} = -1$  and  $\sqrt{\sin(t)} = 1 \Rightarrow$  end pts. are  $(1-e, 0)$  and  $(-1, 1) \Rightarrow \int_c \vec{F} \cdot d\vec{r} = \left(\frac{(-1)^2}{2} + \frac{(1)^2}{2}\right) - \left(\frac{(1-e)^2}{2} + \frac{0^2}{2}\right)$ .

**Exercise 2.** Compute  $\int_c \vec{F} \cdot d\vec{r}$ , where  $\vec{F} = \langle \frac{-y}{x^2+y^2}, \frac{x}{x^2+y^2} \rangle$  and  $c$  is a circle of radius  $r = 1$  centered at the origin  $(0,0)$ .

We can parameterize  $c$  by  $x(t) = \cos(t)$ ,  $y(t) = \sin(t)$   $0 \leq t \leq 2\pi$ . This gives

$$\oint_c \vec{F} \cdot d\vec{r} = \int_0^{2\pi} \frac{\sin^2(t) + \cos^2(t)}{\sin^2(t) + \cos^2(t)} dt = \int_0^{2\pi} dt = 2\pi$$

**Exercise 3.** Use Green's theorem to compute  $\int_c \vec{F} \cdot d\vec{r}$ , where  $\vec{F} = \langle \frac{-y}{x^2+y^2}, \frac{x}{x^2+y^2} \rangle$  and  $c$  is ANY simple closed loop (i.e., a curve that starts and ends at the same point and it does not intersect itself) whose interior contains the origin  $(0,0)$ .

Consider the curves  then  $\int_{C_1 + C_2 + C_3 - C_4} = \int_{C_1 - C_2}$ . Further the region enclosed by

$C = C_1 - C_2 + C_3 - C_4$  is simply connected, so by Green's thm  $\int_{C_1 - C_2} \vec{F} \cdot d\vec{r} = \oint_C \vec{F} \cdot d\vec{r}$   
 $= \iint_D \left[ \frac{y^2 - x^2}{(x^2+y^2)^2} - \frac{y^2 - x^2}{(x^2+y^2)^2} \right] dA = 0 \Rightarrow \int_{C_1 - C_2} \vec{F} \cdot d\vec{r} = 0 \Rightarrow \int_{C_1} \vec{F} \cdot d\vec{r} = \int_{C_2} \vec{F} \cdot d\vec{r}$ . Now,

taking  $C_2$  to be a circle centered at  $(0,0)$ , we have (by question 2)

$$\int_{C_1} \vec{F} \cdot d\vec{r} = \int_{C_2} \vec{F} \cdot d\vec{r} = 2\pi$$