

# Jordan Curve Theorem

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# Chapter 0

## Abstract

In this note, we prove the Jordan curve theorem: a closed curve with no self-intersection in the complex plane  $\mathbb{C}$  divides  $\mathbb{C}$  into exactly two connected components – one is unbounded and the other is bounded.

# Chapter 1

## Preliminaries

### 1.1 Sets and Maps

We assume some working knowledge of informal set theory including sets and corresponding membership relation  $\in$ , subsets, supersets, the empty set  $\emptyset$ , union, intersection, set difference, complement, and the like.

#### 1.1.1 Sets and Maps

**Definition 1.1.1** (Complement). Let  $X$  be a set and  $A \subset X$  be a subset. We denote  $\neg A = X - A = \{x \in X \mid x \notin A\}$ .

**Theorem 1.1.1** (Empty Intersection and Empty Union). Let  $X$  be a set,  $\Lambda$  be an index set, and  $\{A_\lambda \subset X \mid \lambda \in \Lambda\}$  be a  $\Lambda$ -indexed set of subsets of  $X$ . The empty intersection  $\bigcap_{\lambda \in \emptyset} A_\lambda$  is the underlying set  $X$  and the empty union  $\bigcup_{\lambda \in \emptyset} A_\lambda$  is the empty set  $\emptyset$ .

*Proof.* By definition:

$$\bigcap_{\lambda \in \Lambda} A_\lambda := \{x \in X \mid \forall \lambda \in \Lambda : x \in A_\lambda\}. \quad (1.1)$$

For the empty intersection, the condition is vacuously true. Hence,  $\bigcap_{\lambda \in \emptyset} A_\lambda = X$ . Similarly:

$$\bigcup_{\lambda \in \Lambda} A_\lambda := \{x \in X \mid \exists \lambda \in \Lambda : x \in A_\lambda\}. \quad (1.2)$$

If the index set is empty, the condition is always false. Hence,  $\bigcup_{\lambda \in \emptyset} A_\lambda = \emptyset$ . ■

*Remark 1.* We also have:

$$\neg \bigcap_{\lambda \in \Lambda} A_\lambda := \{x \in X \mid \exists \lambda \in \Lambda : x \notin A_\lambda\} = \bigcup_{\lambda \in \Lambda} \neg A_\lambda \quad (1.3)$$

and

$$\neg \bigcup_{\lambda \in \Lambda} A_\lambda := \{x \in X \mid \forall \lambda \in \Lambda : x \notin A_\lambda\} = \bigcap_{\lambda \in \Lambda} \neg A_\lambda. \quad (1.4)$$

**Theorem 1.1.2.** *Let  $X$  be a set. For  $\{V_\alpha \subset X \mid \alpha \in A\}$  and  $\{W_\beta \subset X \mid \beta \in B\}$ ,*

$$\left( \bigcup_{\alpha \in A} V_\alpha \right) \cap \left( \bigcup_{\beta \in B} W_\beta \right) = \bigcup_{(\alpha, \beta) \in A \times B} V_\alpha \cap W_\beta. \quad (1.5)$$

Similarly,

$$\left( \bigcap_{\alpha \in A} V_\alpha \right) \cup \left( \bigcap_{\beta \in B} W_\beta \right) = \bigcap_{(\alpha, \beta) \in A \times B} V_\alpha \cup W_\beta. \quad (1.6)$$

*Proof.*

$$\begin{aligned} \left( \bigcup_{\alpha \in A} V_\alpha \right) \cap \left( \bigcup_{\beta \in B} W_\beta \right) &= \{x \in X \mid \exists \alpha \in A : x \in V_\alpha\} \\ &\quad \cap \{x \in X \mid \exists \beta \in B : x \in W_\beta\} \\ &= \{x \in X \mid \exists (\alpha, \beta) \in A \times B : x \in V_\alpha \cap W_\beta\} \\ &= \bigcup_{(\alpha, \beta) \in A \times B} V_\alpha \cap W_\beta. \end{aligned} \quad (1.7)$$

Similarly,

$$\begin{aligned} \left( \bigcap_{\alpha \in A} V_\alpha \right) \cup \left( \bigcap_{\beta \in B} W_\beta \right) &= \{x \in X \mid \forall (\alpha, \beta) \in A \times B : x \in V_\alpha \cup W_\beta\} \\ &= \bigcap_{(\alpha, \beta) \in A \times B} V_\alpha \cup W_\beta. \end{aligned} \quad (1.8)$$

■

For a given map  $f: X \rightarrow Y$ , there are two induced maps:

- Direct image  $f: 2^X \rightarrow 2^Y; U \mapsto \{y \in Y \mid \exists u \in U : y = fu\}$
- Preimage  $f^\leftarrow: 2^Y \rightarrow 2^X; W \mapsto \{x \in X \mid fx \in W\}$

**Theorem 1.1.3** (Properties of Preimage). *Let  $X$  and  $Y$  be sets and  $f: X \rightarrow Y$  be a map. The preimage map  $f^\leftarrow$  preserves the following elementary set operations:*

- $f^\leftarrow (\bigcup_{\lambda \in \Lambda} B_\lambda) = \bigcup_{\lambda \in \Lambda} f^\leftarrow B_\lambda$
- $f^\leftarrow (\bigcap_{\lambda \in \Lambda} B_\lambda) = \bigcap_{\lambda \in \Lambda} f^\leftarrow B_\lambda$

- $f^{\leftarrow}(B_1 - B_2) = f^{\leftarrow}B_1 - f^{\leftarrow}B_2$

where  $\Lambda$  is an arbitrary index set,  $B_1, B_2, B_\lambda$  are all subspaces in  $Y$  for each  $\lambda \in \Lambda$ .

*Proof.* The first two equations are almost identical:

$$\begin{aligned}
p \in f^{\leftarrow}\left(\bigcup_{\lambda \in \Lambda} B_\lambda\right) &\Leftrightarrow fp \in \bigcup_{\lambda \in \Lambda} B_\lambda \\
&\Leftrightarrow \exists \lambda \in \Lambda : fp \in B_\lambda \\
&\Leftrightarrow \exists \lambda \in \Lambda : p \in f^{\leftarrow}B_\lambda \\
&\Leftrightarrow p \in \bigcup_{\lambda \in \Lambda} f^{\leftarrow}B_\lambda
\end{aligned} \tag{1.9}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned}
p \in f^{\leftarrow}\left(\bigcap_{\lambda \in \Lambda} B_\lambda\right) &\Leftrightarrow fp \in \bigcap_{\lambda \in \Lambda} B_\lambda \\
&\Leftrightarrow \forall \lambda \in \Lambda : fp \in B_\lambda \\
&\Leftrightarrow \forall \lambda \in \Lambda : p \in f^{\leftarrow}B_\lambda \\
&\Leftrightarrow p \in \bigcap_{\lambda \in \Lambda} f^{\leftarrow}B_\lambda
\end{aligned} \tag{1.10}$$

for each  $p \in A$ .

Recalling  $B_1 - B_2 = \{x \in A \mid x \in B_1 \wedge x \in \neg B_2\} = B_1 \cap \neg B_2$ , and

$$f^{\leftarrow}(\neg B_2) = \{x \in X \mid fx \in \neg B_2\} = X - f^{\leftarrow}B_2 = \neg f^{\leftarrow}B_2, \tag{1.11}$$

we have

$$\begin{aligned}
f^{\leftarrow}(B_1 - B_2) &= f^{\leftarrow}(B_1 \cap \neg B_2) \\
&= f^{\leftarrow}B_1 \cap f^{\leftarrow}(\neg B_2) \\
&= f^{\leftarrow}B_1 \cap \neg f^{\leftarrow}B_2 \\
&= f^{\leftarrow}B_1 - f^{\leftarrow}B_2.
\end{aligned} \tag{1.12}$$

Thus, the preimage  $f^{\leftarrow} : 2^Y \rightarrow 2^X$  preserves union, intersection, and set-difference. ■

## 1.2 Topological Spaces

A topological space is a structured set in which the concept of convergence can be defined.

### 1.2.1 Basic Definitions

**Definition 1.2.1** (Topological Spaces). Let  $X$  be a set. A topology on  $X$  is a subset of its subsets  $\mathcal{T} \subset 2^X$  that closed under:

- Arbitrary Union  
Each union of members in  $\mathcal{T}$  is also a member of  $\mathcal{T}$ .
- Finite Intersection  
Each finite intersection of members of  $\mathcal{T}$  is also a member of  $\mathcal{T}$ .

As shown in Theorem 1.1.1, the union of an empty family of sets in  $X$  is  $\emptyset$ , and the intersection of an empty family of sets in  $X$  is  $X$ . Hence, we may add the following, yet redundant, conditions:

- Both  $\emptyset$  and  $X$  are members of  $\mathcal{T}$ .

The pair  $(X, \mathcal{T})$  is called a topological space. Any member in  $\mathcal{T}$  is called an open subset of  $X$ . In particular, both  $\emptyset$  and  $X$  are open subsets in  $X$ . A subset  $C \subset X$  is called closed iff the complement  $\neg C := X - C$  is open, namely  $\neg C \in \mathcal{T}$ . Since  $\emptyset = X - X$  and  $X = X - \emptyset$ , both  $\emptyset$  and  $X$  are clopen. Dually, closed subsets are closed under finite union and arbitrary intersections.

Let  $Y \subset X$  be a subset of a topological space  $(X, \mathcal{T})$ . The induced topology on  $Y$  is

$$\mathcal{T}_Y := \{Y \cap U \mid U \in \mathcal{T}\}. \quad (1.13)$$

The pair  $(Y, \mathcal{T}_Y)$  is called a subspace of  $(X, \mathcal{T})$ .

**Lemma 1.2.1.** *Let  $(X, \mathcal{T})$  be a topological space and  $C_1 \subset C_2 \subset X$ . If  $C_1, C_2 \subset X$  are both closed, then  $C_1 \subset C_2$  is closed relative to the subspace topology on  $C_2$ .*

*Proof.* Let  $\neg_2 C_1 := C_2 - C_1$ :

$$\neg_2 C_1 = C_2 \cap \neg C_1. \quad (1.14)$$

Since  $\neg C_1 \in \mathcal{T}$ , i.e.,  $\neg C_1 \subset X$  is open,  $C_2 \cap \neg C_1 \subset C_2$  is open relative to the subspace topology. ■

**Definition 1.2.2** (Neighborhoods and Open Subspaces). Let  $(X, \mathcal{T})$  be a topological space, and  $p \in X$  be a point. A subspace  $U' \subset X$  is called a neighborhood of  $p$  iff there exists some  $U \in \mathcal{T}$  such that  $p \in U$  and  $U \subset U'$ . Let  $\mathcal{N}_p$  be the set of all neighborhoods of  $p$  in  $X$  relative to  $\mathcal{T}$ .

**Lemma 1.2.2.** *Let  $(X, \mathcal{T})$  be a topological space. A subspace  $U \subset X$  is open,  $U \in \mathcal{T}$ , iff  $U$  is a neighborhood of every point in it.*

*Proof.* ( $\Rightarrow$ ) Suppose  $U \in \mathcal{T}$ . Then, for each  $p \in U$ ,  $U$  is an open neighborhood of  $p$ .

( $\Leftarrow$ ) Conversely, suppose  $U$  is a neighborhood to its points. For  $p \in U$ , let  $V_p \in \mathcal{T}$  be an open subspace such that  $p \in V_p$  and  $V_p \subset U$ . Then, we conclude  $U = \bigcup_{p \in U} V_p$  since:

$$U \subset \bigcup_{p \in U} V_p \subset U. \quad (1.15)$$

Hence  $U$  is open. ■

**Definition 1.2.3** (Limit Points and Closure). Let  $A \subset (X, \mathcal{T})$  be a subspace. A point  $p \in X$  is called a limit point of  $A$  iff each neighborhood of  $p$  contains at least one point of  $A$  distinct from  $p$ :

$$\forall U' \in \mathcal{N}_p : U' \cap A - \{p\} \neq \emptyset. \quad (1.16)$$

Let  $A'$  denote the set of all limit points. We call  $\bar{A} := A \cup A'$  the closure of  $A$  in  $X$  relative to  $\mathcal{T}$ .

**Lemma 1.2.3.** Let  $A \subset (X, \mathcal{T})$  be a subspace. For any point  $p \in X$ ,  $p \in \bar{A}$  iff

$$\forall U' \in \mathcal{N}_p : U' \cap A \neq \emptyset. \quad (1.17)$$

*Proof.* ( $\Rightarrow$ ) Let  $p \in \bar{A}$ :

- $p \in A$  case

For each neighborhood  $U' \in \mathcal{N}_p$ ,  $p \in U' \cap A$ .

- $p \notin A$  case

For each neighborhood  $U' \in \mathcal{N}_p$ ,  $U' \cap A = U' \cap A - \{p\} \neq \emptyset$  holds.

( $\Leftarrow$ ) Let  $p \in X$ . Suppose  $U' \cap A \neq \emptyset$  whenever  $U'$  is a neighborhood of  $p$ .

- $p \in A$  case

Since  $A \subset \bar{A}$ ,  $p \in \bar{A}$ .

- $p \notin A$  case

Let  $U' \in \mathcal{N}_p$ . Since  $p \notin A$  but  $p \in U'$ ,  $p \notin U' \cap A$ . Hence,  $U' \cap A = U' \cap A - \{p\} \neq \emptyset$ , which means  $p$  is a limit point of  $A$ . ■

**Theorem 1.2.1** (Characterization of Closed Subspaces). A subspace  $A \subset (X, \mathcal{T})$  is closed iff  $A = \bar{A}$ .

*Proof.* ( $\Rightarrow$ ) Suppose  $A \subset (X, \mathcal{T})$  is closed. Then  $\neg A \in \mathcal{T}$ . Let  $p \in \neg A$ . Since  $\neg A$  is an open neighborhood of  $p$  such that  $\neg A \cap A = \emptyset$ ,  $p$  is not a limit point of  $A$  by Lemma 1.2.3. Therefore  $p \notin \bar{A}$ . Since  $\neg A \subset \neg \bar{A}$  is shown, we obtain  $A \supset \bar{A}$ ; with the inclusion  $A \subset \bar{A}$ , we conclude  $A = \bar{A}$ .



( $\Leftarrow$ ) Suppose  $\overline{A} = A$ . We will show  $\neg A$  is open. Let  $p \in \neg A$ . Since  $p \in \neg \overline{A}$ ,  $p$  is not a limit point of  $A$ . Thus, there is some neighborhood  $U' \in \mathcal{N}_p$  with  $U' \cap A = \emptyset$  by Lemma 1.2.3. We obtain  $U' \subset \neg A$ . That is,  $\neg A$  is a neighborhood of  $p$ . As  $p \in \neg A$  is arbitrary, by Lemma 1.2.2, we conclude  $\neg A \in \mathcal{T}$ .  $\blacksquare$

**Theorem 1.2.2** (Properties of Closures). *Let  $A, B \subset (X, \mathcal{T})$  be subspaces.*

- The closure  $\overline{A}$  is  $\subset$ -smallest closed subspace of  $X$  containing  $A$ :

$$\overline{A} = \bigcap \{F \subset X \mid F \supset A \wedge \neg F \in \mathcal{T}\} \quad (1.18)$$

- $A \subset B \Rightarrow \overline{A} \subset \overline{B}$
- $\overline{\overline{A}} = \overline{A}$ , i.e., the closure  $\overline{A}$  of  $A$  is closed, and the closure-operation is idempotent.
- $\overline{A \cup B} = \overline{A} \cup \overline{B}$
- $\overline{\emptyset} = \emptyset$

*Proof.* Let  $\tilde{A} := \bigcap \{F \subset X \mid F \supset A \wedge \neg F \in \mathcal{T}\}$ . Since open subspaces are closed under arbitrary union, the complements, i.e., closed subspaces are closed under arbitrary intersection. Hence,  $\tilde{A}$  is closed. To show  $\tilde{A}$  is equal to  $\overline{A}$ , let us consider their complements:

- $\subset$  Let  $p \in \neg \tilde{A}$ . Since  $\neg \tilde{A}$  is an open neighborhood of  $p$  such that  $\neg \tilde{A} \cap \tilde{A} = \emptyset$ , recalling  $\tilde{A} \supset A$ , we conclude  $\neg \tilde{A} \cap A = \emptyset$ :

$$\emptyset \subset \neg \tilde{A} \cap A \subset \neg \tilde{A} \cap \tilde{A} = \emptyset. \quad (1.19)$$

Hence, by Lemma 1.2.3,  $p$  is not a limit point of  $A$ , i.e.,  $p \in \neg \overline{A}$ :

$$\neg \tilde{A} \subset \neg \overline{A}. \quad (1.20)$$

- $\supset$  Let  $p \in \neg \overline{A}$ . Since  $p$  is not a limit point of  $A$ , there exists an open neighborhood  $U \in \mathcal{N}_p \cap \mathcal{T}$  such that  $U \cap A - \{p\} = \emptyset$ . As  $p$  is not in  $A$ ,  $U \cap A = \emptyset$ , thus  $A \subset \neg U$ . Thus,  $\neg U$  is a member of the intersection of the right-hand side of (1.18). Hence, we obtain  $\tilde{A} \subset \neg U$ . Since  $p \in U$  and  $U \subset \neg \tilde{A}$ , we conclude  $p \in \neg \tilde{A}$ :

$$\neg \tilde{A} \supset \neg \overline{A}. \quad (1.21)$$

Therefore, we obtain  $\overline{A} = \bigcap \{F \subset X \mid F \supset A \wedge \neg F \in \mathcal{T}\}$ .

- $A \subset B \Rightarrow \overline{A} \subset \overline{B}$

Since any closed subspace containing  $B$  also contains  $A$ ,  $\overline{A} \subset \overline{B}$ .

- $\overline{\overline{A}} = \overline{A}$

Since  $\overline{A}$  is given by an intersection of closed subspaces,  $\overline{A}$  is closed. Moreover,  $\overline{A} \subset \overline{\overline{A}}$  is the  $\subset$ -smallest subspace containing  $\overline{A}$ .

- $\overline{A \cup B} = \overline{A} \cup \overline{B}$   
 $\overline{A \cup B}$  is closed, and contains both  $A$  and  $B$ , hence  $\overline{A} \cup \overline{B} \subset \overline{A \cup B}$ . As  $\overline{A} \cup \overline{B}$  is closed, containing  $A \cup B$ ,  $\subset$ -smallest property implies  $\overline{A \cup B} \subset \overline{A} \cup \overline{B}$ .
- $\overline{\emptyset} = \emptyset$   
 Since  $\emptyset$  is clopen and  $\emptyset \subset \emptyset$ , the  $\subset$ -smallest property ensures  $\overline{\emptyset} = \emptyset$ . ■

*Remark 2* (Interior and Boundary). Let  $A \subset (X, \mathcal{T})$  be a subspace. As a dual concept of closure, the interior  $A^\circ$  of  $A$  is the  $\subset$ -largest open set contained in  $A$ :

$$A^\circ = \bigcup \{U \in \mathcal{T} \mid U \subset A\}. \quad (1.22)$$

By Remark 1 in Theorem 1.1.1,

$$\begin{aligned} A^\circ &= \bigcup \{\neg F \in \mathcal{T} \mid \neg F \subset A\} \\ &= \bigcup \{\neg F \subset X \mid \neg F \in \mathcal{T} \wedge F \supset \neg A\} \\ &= \neg \bigcap \{F \subset X \mid \neg F \in \mathcal{T} \wedge F \supset \neg A\} \\ &= \neg \overline{\neg A}. \end{aligned} \quad (1.23)$$

So, a subspace  $A \subset X$  is open iff  $A = A^\circ$ , since  $\neg A^\circ = \overline{\neg A}$ . We call  $\partial A := \overline{A} - A^\circ$  the boundary of  $A$ . Moreover,  $\partial A = \neg(A^\circ) - \neg(\overline{A})$ :

$$\begin{aligned} \neg(A^\circ) - \neg(\overline{A}) &= (X - A^\circ) - (X - \overline{A}) \\ &= \{x \in X \mid x \notin A^\circ \wedge x \in (X - \overline{A})\} \\ &= \{x \in X \mid x \notin A^\circ \wedge x \in \overline{A}\} \\ &= \overline{A} - A^\circ. \end{aligned} \quad (1.24)$$

**Theorem 1.2.3** (Subspaces and Closures). *Let  $(X, \mathcal{T})$  be a topological space and  $(Y, \mathcal{T}_Y) \subset (X, \mathcal{T})$  be a subspace. For  $A \subset Y$ , the closure  $\overline{A}_Y$  relative to  $\mathcal{T}_Y$  is  $Y \cap \overline{A}$ , where  $\overline{A}$  is the closure of  $A \subset X$  relative to  $\mathcal{T}$ .*

*Proof.* It suffices to show  $A'_Y = Y \cap A'$  since  $\overline{A}_Y = A'_Y \cup A$  and  $Y \cap \overline{A} = Y \cup (A \cup A') = (Y \cap A) \cup (Y \cap A') = A \cup (Y \cap A')$ .

Let  $p \in A'_Y$  and  $\mathcal{N}_{Y,p}$  be the set of neighborhood of  $p$  relative to  $\mathcal{T}_Y$ :

$$\forall U' \in \mathcal{N}_{Y,p} : \exists U \in \mathcal{T} : p \in (U \cap Y) \subset U'. \quad (1.25)$$

Note that  $(U \cap Y) \in \mathcal{T}_Y$  if  $U \in \mathcal{T}$ . Since  $p \in A'_Y$ ,

$$\forall U' \in \mathcal{N}_{Y,p} : U' \cap A - \{p\} \neq \emptyset, \quad (1.26)$$

i.e.,

$$\forall U \in \mathcal{N}_p \cap \mathcal{T} : (U \cap Y) \cap A - \{p\} \neq \emptyset, \quad (1.27)$$

we obtain  $p \in (Y \cap A)'$  relative to  $\mathcal{T}$ . Recalling  $A \subset Y$  and  $p \in Y$ , we obtain  $p \in Y \cap A'$ .

Conversely, let  $p \in Y \cap A'$  relative to  $\mathcal{T}$ :

$$\forall U' \in \mathcal{N}_p : U' \cap A - \{p\} \neq \emptyset. \quad (1.28)$$

Since  $A \subset Y$ , it is equivalent to

$$\forall U' \in \mathcal{N}_p : U' \cap (A \cap Y) - \{p\} \neq \emptyset. \quad (1.29)$$

Now,  $U' \cap Y$  contains an open  $(U \cap Y) \in \mathcal{T}_Y$  with  $p \in U \cap Y$ . That is,  $U' \cap Y$  is a neighborhood of  $p$  relative to  $\mathcal{T}_Y$ , namely  $U' \cap Y \in \mathcal{N}'_{Y,p}$ , moreover  $p \in A'_Y$ .

Hence, we establish  $A'_Y = Y \cap A'$ , and  $\overline{A}_Y = Y \cap \overline{A}$ .  $\blacksquare$

### 1.2.2 Separation Axioms

**Definition 1.2.4.** The following axioms describe how a topology can distinguish points in the underlying set:

$T_2$  A  $T_2$  space – a Hausdorff space – is a topological space  $(X, \mathcal{T})$  in which each of two distinct points have disjoint neighborhoods, that is, if  $p \neq q$ , there are  $U' \in \mathcal{N}_p$  and  $V' \in \mathcal{N}_q$  with  $U' \cap V' = \emptyset$ .

$T_4$  A  $T_4$  space is a Hausdorff space in which each disjoint closed subspaces have disjoint neighborhoods.

### 1.2.3 Basic Open Sets

... we can to an extent preassign the notion of nearness desired. [Dug66]

**Definition 1.2.5** (Subbases and Generated Topology). Let  $X$  be a set and  $\mathcal{S} \subset 2^X$  be a set of subsets in  $X$ . As  $2^X$  is a topology of  $X$ ,

$$\tau_{\mathcal{S}} := \{ \mathcal{T} \subset 2^X \mid \mathcal{T} \text{ is a topology on } X \text{ with } \mathcal{S} \subset \mathcal{T} \} \quad (1.30)$$

is non-empty. Their intersection:

$$\bigcap \tau_{\mathcal{S}} := \bigcap \{ \mathcal{T} \in \tau_{\mathcal{S}} \} \quad (1.31)$$

is called the topology generated by  $\mathcal{S}$ . It is the  $\subset$ -smallest topology containing  $\mathcal{S}$ .

For the generated topology, the generating set  $\mathcal{S}$  is called the subbasic open set, in short, a subbase.

*Remark 3* (Basis). No further conditions for being a subbase of some topology. If  $\mathcal{S}$  satisfies:

1.  $\mathcal{S}$  covers  $X$

For each  $x \in X$ , there is a  $B \in \mathcal{S}$  with  $x \in B$ . This condition guarantees that  $X$  is open.

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Let  $B_1, B_2 \in \mathcal{S}$ . If  $x \in B_1 \cap B_2$ , there is a  $B_3 \in \mathcal{S}$  with  $x \in B_3$  and  $B_3 \subset B_1 \cap B_2$ . This condition guarantees that  $B_1 \cap B_2$  is open.

Then  $\mathcal{S}$  is called the set of basic open sets, in short, a basis for the topology  $\bigcap \tau_{\mathcal{S}}$  of  $X$ .

**Theorem 1.2.4.** *Let  $X$  be a set,  $\mathcal{S} \subset 2^X$  be a basis –  $\mathcal{S}$  satisfies both conditions 1 and 2 – and  $\mathcal{T}_{\mathcal{S}}$  be the set of all unions of  $\mathcal{S}$ .  $\mathcal{T}_{\mathcal{S}}$  is a topology on  $X$ . Moreover,  $\mathcal{T}_{\mathcal{S}} = \bigcap \tau_{\mathcal{S}}$ .*

*Proof.* As the condition 1 ensures  $\mathcal{S}$  covers  $X$ , we have  $X \in \mathcal{T}_{\mathcal{S}}$ . If we take the empty union,  $\emptyset \in \mathcal{T}_{\mathcal{S}}$ . By definition,  $\mathcal{T}_{\mathcal{S}}$  is closed under arbitrary union. The condition 2 guarantees  $\mathcal{T}_{\mathcal{S}}$  is closed under binary, hence any finite intersection. Therefore,  $\mathcal{T}_{\mathcal{S}}$  forms a topology on  $X$ .

Since  $\mathcal{S} \subset \mathcal{T}_{\mathcal{S}}$  holds,  $\mathcal{T}_{\mathcal{S}} \in \tau_{\mathcal{S}}$ , hence  $\bigcap \tau_{\mathcal{S}} \subset \mathcal{T}_{\mathcal{S}}$ . To show the other inclusion, let  $U \in \mathcal{T}_{\mathcal{S}}$ . By construction, there exists  $\mathcal{B}_U \subset \mathcal{S}$  with

$$U = \bigcup \mathcal{B}_U = \bigcup \{V \in \mathcal{B}_U\}. \quad (1.32)$$

As  $\mathcal{B}_U \subset \mathcal{S}$ , and any member  $T \in \tau_{\mathcal{S}}$  contains  $\mathcal{S}$ , we obtain  $\mathcal{B}_U \subset T$  for each  $T \in \tau_{\mathcal{S}}$ . Thus,  $\mathcal{B}_U \subset T$  holds for each  $T \in \tau_{\mathcal{S}}$ . I.e.,  $U \in \bigcap \tau_{\mathcal{S}}$ . ■

### 1.2.4 Continuous Maps

For given topological space  $(X, \mathcal{T}_X)$  and  $(Y, \mathcal{T}_Y)$ , and a map between the underlying sets  $f: X \rightarrow Y$ , we use  $f^{\leftarrow}$  to associate the topology since  $f^{\leftarrow}$  preserves the elementary set operations as shown in Theorem 1.1.3:

**Definition 1.2.6** (Continuous Maps). Let  $(X, \mathcal{T}_X)$  and  $(Y, \mathcal{T}_Y)$  be topological spaces. A map  $f: X \rightarrow Y$  is called continuous iff the preimage of each open subspace in  $Y$  is open in  $X$ . That is,  $f^{\leftarrow}$  maps  $\mathcal{T}_Y \subset 2^Y$  into  $\mathcal{T}_X$ :

$$f^{\leftarrow}: \mathcal{T}_Y \rightarrow \mathcal{T}_X. \quad (1.33)$$

The set of all continuous maps from  $X$  to  $Y$  is denoted by  $C^0(X, Y)$ .

**Theorem 1.2.5** (Characterizations of Continuity). *Let  $(X, \mathcal{T}_X)$  and  $(Y, \mathcal{T}_Y)$  be topological spaces, and  $f: X \rightarrow Y$  be a map. The following are equivalent:*

1.  $f \in C^0(X, Y)$  by means of Definition 1.2.6.
2. For a subbase (or a basis)  $\mathcal{S}_Y \subset \mathcal{T}_Y$ ,  $f^{\leftarrow} \mathcal{S}_Y \subset \mathcal{T}_X$ .
3. The preimage of a closed subspace in  $Y$  is closed in  $X$ .
4. For each  $x \in X$  and for each neighborhood  $V' \in \mathcal{N}_{f x}$ , there exists a neighborhood  $U' \in \mathcal{N}_x$  such that  $fU' \subset V'$ .
5.  $f\overline{A} \subset \overline{fA}$  for every  $A \subset X$ .

6.  $\overline{f^{\leftarrow} B} \subset f^{\leftarrow} \overline{B}$  for every  $B \subset Y$ .

*Remark 4* ( $\epsilon\delta$ -Continuity). The condition 4 is the topological version of  $\epsilon\delta$  definition of continuity.

*Proof.* (1  $\Leftrightarrow$  2) As  $\mathcal{S}_Y \subset \mathcal{T}_Y$ ,  $f^{\leftarrow}|_{\mathcal{S}_Y} : \mathcal{S}_Y \rightarrow \mathcal{T}_X$ . Conversely, suppose  $f^{\leftarrow} \mathcal{S}_Y \subset \mathcal{T}_X$  is the case. Let  $W \in \mathcal{T}_Y$ . Since  $\mathcal{T}_Y$  is generated by  $\mathcal{S}_Y$ ,  $W$  is given by some, not necessarily finite, union of finite intersections of members in  $\mathcal{S}_Y$ :

$$W = \bigcup_{\lambda \in \Lambda} \left( B_1^{(\lambda)} \cap \dots \cap B_{j_\lambda}^{(\lambda)} \right), \quad (1.34)$$

where  $B_1^{(\lambda)} \dots B_{j_\lambda}^{(\lambda)} \in \mathcal{S}_Y$  for each  $\lambda \in \Lambda$ . Applying Theorem 1.1.3, we obtain

$$f^{\leftarrow} W = \bigcup_{\lambda \in \Lambda} f^{\leftarrow} \left( B_1^{(\lambda)} \cap \dots \cap B_{j_\lambda}^{(\lambda)} \right) = \bigcup_{\lambda \in \Lambda} \left( f^{\leftarrow} B_1^{(\lambda)} \right) \cap \dots \cap \left( f^{\leftarrow} B_{j_\lambda}^{(\lambda)} \right). \quad (1.35)$$

Since  $\left( f^{\leftarrow} B_1^{(\lambda)} \right) \cap \dots \cap \left( f^{\leftarrow} B_{j_\lambda}^{(\lambda)} \right) \in \mathcal{T}_X$  and  $W$  is a union of such open subspaces in  $X$ , we conclude  $f^{\leftarrow} W \in \mathcal{T}_X$ .

(1  $\Leftrightarrow$  3) By Theorem 1.1.3,

$$f^{\leftarrow} (\neg A) = f^{\leftarrow} (Y - A) = X - f^{\leftarrow} A = \neg f^{\leftarrow} A \quad (1.36)$$

for every  $A \subset X$ .

(1  $\Rightarrow$  4) Let  $x \in X$ ,  $V' \in \mathcal{N}_{fx}$ , and  $V \in \mathcal{T}_Y$  s.t.,  $fx \in V$  and  $V \subset V'$ . As  $f$  is continuous,  $f^{\leftarrow} V \in \mathcal{T}_X$ . Since  $x \in f^{\leftarrow} V$ , we may set  $U' = f^{\leftarrow} V$ .

(4  $\Rightarrow$  5) Let  $A \subset X$  and  $x \in \overline{A}$ ; we will show  $fx$  is a member of  $f\overline{A}$ . Consider  $V' \in \mathcal{N}_{fx}$ ; as we assume 4, there exists  $U' \in \mathcal{N}_x$  with  $fU' \subset V'$ . Since  $x \in \overline{A}$ , by Lemma 1.2.3,  $U' \cap A \neq \emptyset$  holds. Hence,  $fx \in f\overline{A}$ :

$$\emptyset \subsetneq f(U' \cap A) \subset fU' \cap fA \subset V' \cap fA. \quad (1.37)$$

(5  $\Rightarrow$  6) Let  $B \subset Y$  and  $A := f^{\leftarrow} B$ . As we assume 5,

$$f(\overline{f^{\leftarrow} B}) = f\overline{A} \subset \overline{fA} = \overline{f(f^{\leftarrow} B)} \subset \overline{B}. \quad (1.38)$$

Thus,  $\overline{f^{\leftarrow} B} \subset f^{\leftarrow} \overline{B}$ .

(6  $\Rightarrow$  3) Let  $B \subset Y$  be a closed subspace. As we assume 6,  $\overline{f^{\leftarrow} B} \subset f^{\leftarrow} \overline{B}$ . Since  $\overline{B} = B$ , we conclude  $\overline{f^{\leftarrow} B} = f^{\leftarrow} B$ :

$$\overline{f^{\leftarrow} B} \subset f^{\leftarrow} \overline{B} \subset f^{\leftarrow} B \subset \overline{f^{\leftarrow} B}. \quad (1.39)$$

See Theorem 1.2.1. ■

**Lemma 1.2.4** (Universal Property of Relative Topology). *Let  $Y \subset (X, \mathcal{T})$  be a subspace. The relative topology  $\mathcal{T}_Y$  defined in Definition 1.2.1 can be characterized as the  $\subset$ -smallest topology on  $Y$  for which the inclusion map:*

$$i: Y \hookrightarrow X; y \mapsto y \quad (1.40)$$

*is continuous, namely  $i \in C^0(Y, X)$ .*

*Proof.* Let  $\mathcal{T}_Y'$  be an arbitrary topology on  $Y$ . Suppose  $i: Y \hookrightarrow X$  is continuous relative to  $(X, \mathcal{T})$  and  $(Y, \mathcal{T}_Y')$ . We will show that  $\mathcal{T}_Y' \supset \mathcal{T}_Y$ .

Let  $U \in \mathcal{T}$ . As  $i \in C^0((Y, \mathcal{T}_Y'), (X, \mathcal{T}))$ , the preimage  $i^{-1}U$  is open in  $(Y, \mathcal{T}_Y')$ :

$$i^{-1}U = U \cap Y \in \mathcal{T}_Y'. \quad (1.41)$$

Since  $U$  is arbitrary, it follows that any open subspace in  $Y$  relative to  $\mathcal{T}_Y$ ,  $U \cap Y \in \mathcal{T}_Y$  is a member of  $\mathcal{T}_Y'$ , hence  $\mathcal{T}_Y \subset \mathcal{T}_Y'$ . ■

**Theorem 1.2.6** (Properties of Continuous Maps). *Let  $(X, \mathcal{T}_X), (Y, \mathcal{T}_Y), (Z, \mathcal{T}_Z)$  be topological spaces.*

- If  $f \in C^0(X, Y)$  and  $g \in C^0(Y, Z)$ , the composition  $gf \in C^0(X, Z)$ .
- If  $f \in C^0(X, Y)$  and  $A \subset X$ , the restriction  $f|_A: A \rightarrow Y$  is continuous relative to the relative topology on  $A$ .
- If  $f \in C^0(X, Y)$ , the corstriction of  $f$  on its image is continuous:

$$f \in C^0(X, fX). \quad (1.42)$$

*Proof.* Suppose  $f \in C^0(X, Y), g \in C^0(Y, Z)$ , and  $A \subset X$ .

- Since  $f^{-1}: \mathcal{T}_Y \rightarrow \mathcal{T}_X$  and  $g^{-1}: \mathcal{T}_Z \rightarrow \mathcal{T}_Y$ , and  $(g \circ f)^{-1} = f^{-1} \circ g^{-1}$ , the continuity of the composition  $g \circ f$  follows:

$$(g \circ f)^{-1}: \mathcal{T}_Z \rightarrow \mathcal{T}_X. \quad (1.43)$$

- Let  $i: A \hookrightarrow X$ . Since

$$f|_A = f \circ i \quad (1.44)$$

and as shown above  $i \in C^0(A, X)$  relative to  $\mathcal{T}_A$ , the composition is continuous.

- For each  $V \in \mathcal{T}_V$ , i.e., for each open subspace  $V \cap fX$  in  $fX$ ,

$$f^{-1}(V \cap fX) = f^{-1}V \cap f^{-1}(fX) = f^{-1}V. \quad (1.45)$$

Since  $f^{-1}V$  is open in  $X$ , the restriction  $f: X \rightarrow fX$  is continuous. ■

**Definition 1.2.7** (Homeomorphisms and Topological Invariance). Let  $(X, \mathcal{T}_X)$  and  $(Y, \mathcal{T}_Y)$  be topological spaces. A map  $f: X \rightarrow Y$  is called a homeomorphism – a topological isomorphism – iff the following conditions hold:

- The underlying map  $f: X \rightarrow Y$  is bijective.
- Both  $f$  and  $f^{-1}$  are continuous.

If  $f$  is a homeomorphism, it is denoted by  $f: X \cong Y$ . Two spaces  $X$  and  $Y$  are homeomorphic, written  $X \cong Y$ , iff there is a homeomorphism between them. It is worth mentioning that a homeomorphism  $f: X \cong Y$  is an open map – the image of an open subspace  $U \in \mathcal{T}_X$  along  $f$  is open  $fU \in \mathcal{T}_Y$ , since  $f^{-1}$  is continuous. Moreover, a homeomorphism  $f: X \cong Y$  is a bijection for the underlying set and the associated topologies:

$$\begin{aligned} f: X &\cong Y \\ f^{-1}: \mathcal{T}_Y &\cong \mathcal{T}_X \end{aligned} \tag{1.46}$$

Thus, any topological property about  $X$  is mapped to that of  $Y$ . We call any property of spaces a topological invariant iff whenever it is true for one space, it is also varied for every homeomorphic space.

**Theorem 1.2.7.** *Homeomorphism is an equivalence relation in the class of all topological spaces.*

*Proof.* Observe:

- Reflexive  
For any topological space  $X$ ,  $1_X: X \cong X$ .
- Symmetric  
If  $f: X \cong Y$ ,  $Y \cong X$  via  $f^{-1}$ .
- Transitive  
If  $f: X \cong Y$  and  $g: Y \cong Z$ , then  $g \circ f: X \cong Z$ .

See Theorem 1.2.6. ■

## 1.2.5 Connected Spaces

**Definition 1.2.8** (Connectedness). A topological space is disconnected iff it is given by the union of two nonempty disjoint open subspaces: a topological space is connected iff it is not disconnected. A subspace is connected iff it is connected relative to its subspace topology. We call a connected open space a domain.

**Theorem 1.2.8** (Characteristics of Connectedness). *For a topological space  $(X, \mathcal{T})$ , TFAE:*

1.  $(X, \mathcal{T})$  is connected.
2. The only clopen subspaces of  $(X, \mathcal{T})$  are  $\emptyset$  and  $X$ .
3. Any  $f \in C^0(X, \mathbf{2})$  is constant, where  $\mathbf{2}$  is the two points set  $\{0, 1\}$  with discrete topology  $\{\emptyset, \{0\}, \{1\}, \{0, 1\}\}$ .

*Proof.* (1  $\Rightarrow$  2) Suppose  $(X, \mathcal{T})$  is a connected space. Let  $A \subset X$  be a non-empty clopen subspace of  $(X, \mathcal{T})$ . Then  $X$  is expressed as  $A \cup \neg A$  of the disjoint union of open subspaces. Since  $X$  is connected and  $A \neq \emptyset$ ,  $\neg A$  must be empty.

(2  $\Rightarrow$  3) Assume  $(X, \mathcal{T})$  has only two clopen subspaces  $\emptyset$  and  $X$ . Let  $f \in C^0(X, \mathbf{2})$ . Suppose, for contradiction, that  $f$  is not constant. Then, both  $f^{-1}\{0\}$  and  $f^{-1}\{1\}$  are non-empty. Moreover,  $\neg f^{-1}\{0\} = f^{-1}\{1\} \neq \emptyset$  implies  $f^{-1}\{0\}$  is clopen such that  $\emptyset \subsetneq f^{-1}\{0\} \subsetneq X$ , which is absurd.

(3  $\Rightarrow$  1) Assume no continuous non-constant map exists from  $X$  to  $\mathbf{2}$ . Suppose, for contradiction, that  $(X, \mathcal{T})$  is disconnected, i.e., there exists a clopen non-empty subspace  $\emptyset \subsetneq A \subsetneq X$ . Define  $f: X \rightarrow \mathbf{2}$  by  $f|_A = 1$  and otherwise zero. By definition,  $f$  is non-constant, since  $\neg A \neq \emptyset$ . Hence  $f^{-1}\emptyset = \emptyset$  and  $f^{-1}\{0, 1\} = X$ . Moreover, both  $f^{-1}\{0\} = \neg A$  and  $f^{-1}\{1\} = A$  are open. Therefore, such a non-constant  $f$  is continuous, which is absurd. ■

**Theorem 1.2.9.** *The continuous image of a connected space is connected.*

*Proof.* Let  $X$  be a connected space,  $Y$  be a topological space, and  $f \in C^0(X, Y)$ . Suppose, for contradiction, that the continuous image  $fX$  is disconnected. By Theorem 1.2.8, there exists a non-constant continuous  $g \in C^0(fX, \mathbf{2})$ . It follows  $g(fX) = \{0, 1\}$ . The  $g \circ f: X \rightarrow \mathbf{2}$  is continuous by Theorem 1.2.6. Hence, it follows that  $(g \circ f)X = \{0, 1\}$  is a non-constant continuous map on a connected space  $X$ , which is absurd. ■

**Theorem 1.2.10.** *Let  $X$  be a topological space and  $A \subset X$  be a connected subspace. Then, any  $B \subset X$  satisfying  $A \subset B \subset \bar{A}$  is also connected; particularly, the closure of connected subspace is connected.*

*Proof.* Let  $f \in C^0(B, \mathbf{2})$ . Since  $A$  is connected,  $f|_A \in C^0(A, \mathbf{2})$  becomes constant by Theorem 1.2.6. Let  $\{n\} := f|_A \subset \{0, 1\}$ ; relative to the topology on  $\mathbf{2}$ , such a singleton  $\{n\} \subset \mathbf{2}$  is clopen. Since  $B \subset \bar{A}$ , we have  $B = \bar{A} \cap B$ . As shown in Theorem 1.2.3,  $\bar{A} \cap B = \bar{A}_B$ , we conclude  $B = \bar{A}_B$ . Since  $f$  is continuous, we may apply Theorem 1.2.5 for the relative topology  $\mathcal{T}_B$ :

$$fB = f\bar{A}_B \subset \overline{fA} = \overline{\{n\}} = \{n\} = fA. \quad (1.47)$$

Therefore,  $f|_B$  is also constant, and hence  $B$  is connected by Theorem 1.2.8. ■

**Theorem 1.2.11.** *If a set of non-empty connected spaces share at least one common point, their union is also connected.*

*Proof.* Let  $\{X_\lambda \mid \lambda \in \Lambda\}$  be a set of non-empty connected spaces, and  $x \in \bigcap_{\lambda \in \Lambda} X_\lambda$ . Consider  $f \in C^0(\bigcup_{\lambda \in \Lambda} X_\lambda, \mathbf{2})$ . Let  $\lambda \in \Lambda$ . By Theorem 1.2.6:

$$f|_{X_\lambda} \in C^0(X_\lambda, \mathbf{2}). \quad (1.48)$$

Since  $X_\lambda$  is connected,  $f|_{X_\lambda}$  is constant; since  $x \in X_\lambda$ ,  $f|_{X_\lambda} x = fx$ . Hence,  $f$  is constant. By Theorem 1.2.8, we conclude  $\bigcup_{\lambda \in \Lambda} X_\lambda$  is connected. ■



**Definition 1.2.9** (Connected Components). Let  $X$  be a topological space and  $x \in X$ . The component  $C_x$  of  $x$  in  $X$  is the union of all connected subspaces in  $X$  containing  $x$ . In other words,  $C_x$  is  $\subset$ -largest connected subspace in  $Y$  containing  $x$ . By Theorem 1.2.8,  $C_x \subset X$  is a closed subset, because both  $C_x$  and  $\overline{C_x}$  are connected and its  $\subset$ -largest property  $\overline{C_x} \subset C_x$  with the trivial inclusion  $C_x \subset \overline{C_x}$ .

**Theorem 1.2.12.** *Let  $X$  be a topological space. The union of any set of connected subspaces in  $X$  having at least one point in common is connected. Hence, the component  $C_x$  is connected for each  $x \in X$ .*

*Proof.* Let  $C := \bigcup_{\lambda \in \Lambda} A_\lambda$  be the union of connected subspace in  $X$  and  $a \in \bigcap_{\lambda \in \Lambda} A_\lambda$  is a common point. Consider an arbitrary continuous map  $f \in C^0(C, \mathbf{2})$ . Let  $\lambda \in \Lambda$ . Since  $A_\lambda$  is connected, the restriction  $f|_{A_\lambda}$  is constant by Theorem 1.2.8. Since  $a \in A_\lambda$ , we obtain  $fx = fa$  for each  $x \in A_\lambda$ . Thus  $f|_{A_\lambda} = f(a)$  holds. Since  $\lambda \in \Lambda$  is arbitrary, we conclude that  $f$  is constant. ■

**Theorem 1.2.13.** *Let  $X$  be a topological space. The set of all distinct components in  $X$  forms a partition of  $X$ .*

*Proof.* Let  $x, y \in X$ . If  $C_x \cap C_y \neq \emptyset$ , by Theorem 1.2.12, their union  $C_x \cup C_y$  is connected. Since  $C_x \subset C_x \cup C_y$  and  $C_x$  is  $\subset$ -largest connected subset containing  $x$ , we conclude  $C_x = C_x \cup C_y = C_y$ . Hence, if  $C_x \neq C_y$ , then they are disjoint  $C_x \cap C_y = \emptyset$ . ■

## 1.2.6 Compact Spaces

**Definition 1.2.10** (Open Covers). Let  $(X, \mathcal{T})$  be a topological space and  $Y \subset X$  be a subspace. Any set of subspaces  $\{A_\lambda \subset X \mid \lambda \in \Lambda\}$  is called a cover of  $Y$  iff  $Y \subset \bigcup_{\lambda \in \Lambda} A_\lambda$ . If a cover  $\{A_\lambda \mid \lambda \in \Lambda\}$  consists of open subspaces of  $X$ , we call it an open cover.

For a cover  $\{A_\lambda \mid \lambda \in \Lambda\}$  of  $Y$ , a subcover is a subset  $\{A_\lambda \mid \lambda \in \Lambda'\}$ ,  $\Lambda' \subset \Lambda$ , that is also a cover of  $Y$ .

**Definition 1.2.11** (Compact Spaces). A topological space  $(X, \mathcal{T})$  is compact iff each open cover has a finite subcover.

**Theorem 1.2.14.** *The continuous image of a compact space is compact.*

*Proof.* Let  $(X, \mathcal{T}_X)$  be a compact space,  $(Y, \mathcal{T}_Y)$  be a topological space, and  $f \in C^0(X, Y)$ . Consider an arbitrary open cover  $\mathcal{V} \subset \mathcal{T}_Y$  of  $fX \subset Y$ . Then  $\{f^{-1}V \mid V \in \mathcal{V}\}$  is an open cover of  $X$ ; for every  $x \in X$ ,  $fx \in Y$  is covered by some  $V \in \mathcal{V}$ :

$$x \in f^{-1}V. \tag{1.49}$$

Since  $X$  is compact, there exists a finite subcover  $X \subset f^{-1}V_1 \cup \dots \cup f^{-1}V_t$ . We have the desired finite subcover  $\{V_1, \dots, V_t\} \subset \mathcal{V}$ , since for each  $x \in X$ , as  $x \in f^{-1}V_s$  for some  $s \in \{1, \dots, t\}$ , it follows  $fx \in V_s$ . ■

**Theorem 1.2.15.** *A closed subspace of a compact space is compact.*

*Proof.* Let  $(X, \mathcal{T}_X)$  be a compact space and  $C \subset X$  be a closed subspace. Consider an open cover  $\mathcal{U} \subset \mathcal{T}_X$  of  $C$ . Since  $\neg C \subset X$  is open, we have an open cover of  $X$ :

$$\mathcal{U} \cup \{\neg C\}. \quad (1.50)$$

Since  $X$  is compact, there is a finite subcover  $\{U_1, \dots, U_n\} \subset \mathcal{U} \cup \{\neg C\}$ . Since it also covers  $C \subset X$ , we have the desired finite subcover of  $C$ , namely  $C$  is covered by  $\{U_1, \dots, U_n\} - \{\neg C\}$ . ■

**Theorem 1.2.16.** *A compact subspace of a Hausdorff space is closed.*

*Proof.* Let  $(X, \mathcal{T})$  be a Hausdorff space and  $K \subset X$  be a compact subspace. If  $K = X$ ,  $X \subset X$  is clopen. So, suppose  $K \subsetneq X$ , and let  $x \in \neg K$ . For each  $y \in K$ , as  $x \neq y$ , there are disjoint open subspaces  $U_y, V_y \in \mathcal{T}$  such that

$$x \in U_y \wedge y \in V_y. \quad (1.51)$$

Then the open cover  $\{V_y \mid y \in K\}$  has a finite subcover:

$$K \subset V := V_{y_1} \cup \dots \cup V_{y_n}. \quad (1.52)$$

Define  $U := U_{y_1} \cap \dots \cap U_{y_n}$ . Both  $U$  and  $V$  are open in  $X$ . Moreover,  $U \cap V = \emptyset$ , since, if  $z \in V$ , there is  $y_p$  with  $z \in V_{y_p}$  but  $z \notin U_{y_p} \supset U$ . Since  $K \subset V$ ,  $U$  and  $K$  are disjoint, namely

$$U \subset \neg K. \quad (1.53)$$

Since  $x \in U$ , we conclude that  $\neg K$  is a neighborhood of  $x$ . By Lemma 1.2.2,  $\neg K \subset X$  is open. ■

**Theorem 1.2.17.** *A continuous bijection from a compact space to a Hausdorff space is homeomorphic.*

*Proof.* Let  $(K, \mathcal{T}_K)$  be a compact space,  $(X, \mathcal{T}_X)$  be a Hausdorff space, and  $f \in C^0(K, X)$ . Suppose there is a map  $g: X \rightarrow K$  with  $gf = 1_K$  and  $fg = 1_X$ . We will show  $g$  is continuous. Let  $V \in \mathcal{T}_K$ . Consider  $\neg V := K - V$  of the corresponding closed subspace in  $K$ . By Theorem 1.2.15,  $\neg V$  is a compact subspace in  $K$ ; its continuous image  $f\neg V$  is a compact subspace in  $X$ . By Theorem 1.2.15, such a compact subspace  $f\neg V$  is closed. Now

$$g^\leftarrow \neg V = \{x \in X \mid gx \in \neg V\} = \{x \in X \mid x = fgx \in f\neg V\} = f\neg V \quad (1.54)$$

implies  $g^\leftarrow \neg V \subset X$  is closed. By the condition 3 in Theorem 1.2.5, we conclude  $g$  is continuous. ■

### 1.2.7 Product Spaces

Let  $\Lambda \neq \emptyset$  be an index set and  $\{X_\lambda \mid \lambda \in \Lambda\}$  be a  $\Lambda$ -indexed set of sets. The Cartesian product of  $\{X_\lambda \mid \lambda \in \Lambda\}$ :

$$\prod_{\lambda \in \Lambda} X_\lambda \quad (1.55)$$

is given by the set of all maps  $\{f: \Lambda \rightarrow \bigcup_{\lambda \in \Lambda} X_\lambda \mid \forall \lambda \in \Lambda : f\lambda \in X_\lambda\}$ . For instance,  $\prod_{\lambda \in \{1,2\}} X_\lambda = X_1 \times X_2$  is given by

$$\{f: \{1,2\} \rightarrow X_1 \cup X_2 \mid f1 \in X_1 \wedge f2 \in X_2\} \quad (1.56)$$

i.e., each member in  $X_1 \times X_2$  is essentially a pair  $(x_1, x_2)$ , where  $x_1 = f1 \in X_1$  and  $x_2 = f2 \in X_2$ .

There is a natural projection for each  $\alpha \in \Lambda$ :

$$p_\alpha: \prod_{\lambda \in \Lambda} X_\lambda \rightarrow X_\alpha; f \mapsto f_\alpha. \quad (1.57)$$

**Definition 1.2.12** (Product Topologies). Let  $\Lambda \neq \emptyset$  be an index set and  $\{(X_\lambda, \mathcal{T}_\lambda) \mid \lambda \in \Lambda\}$  be a  $\Lambda$ -indexed set of topological spaces. For the Cartesian product of the underlying sets  $\prod_{\lambda \in \Lambda} X_\lambda$ , the topology generated by the following subbase:

$$\bigcup_{\alpha \in \Lambda} \{p_\alpha \leftarrow U \mid U \in \mathcal{T}_\alpha\} \quad (1.58)$$

is called the product topology; with this product topology, we call  $\prod_{\lambda \in \Lambda} X_\lambda$  the product space.

Let us consider finite products of topological spaces and compactness.

**Theorem 1.2.18.** *Let  $X \times Y$  be a product of topological spaces. If  $X \times Y$  is compact relative to the product topology, then  $X$  is also compact.*

*Proof.* Let  $\mathcal{U} \subset \mathcal{T}_X$  be an open cover of  $X$ . For each  $U \in \mathcal{U}$ , consider

$$p_X \leftarrow U = U \times Y. \quad (1.59)$$

Since  $p_X \leftarrow U$  is a subbasic open subspace in  $X \times Y$ , it is open. Then  $\{p_X \leftarrow U \mid U \in \mathcal{U}\}$  forms an open cover of the compact  $X \times Y$ . Therefore, there is a finite subcover:

$$X \times Y = p_X \leftarrow U_1 \cup \dots \cup p_X \leftarrow U_n. \quad (1.60)$$

Hence,  $\{U_1, \dots, U_n\}$  is the desired finite subcover. ■

**Theorem 1.2.19** (Finite Tychonoff Theorem). *The product of finite compact spaces is compact.*

*Proof.* We will show the binary case; let  $(X, \mathcal{T}_X)$  and  $(Y, \mathcal{T}_Y)$  be compact spaces. Let  $\mathcal{O}$  be an open cover of  $X \times Y$  and  $x \in X$ . Since  $\mathcal{O}$  covers  $X \times Y$ :

$$\forall y \in Y : \exists O_{(x,y)} \in \mathcal{O} : (x, y) \in O_{(x,y)}. \quad (1.61)$$

Since  $O_{(x,y)} \subset X \times Y$  is open relative to the product topology, there are  $U_{(x,y)} \in \mathcal{T}_X$  and  $V_{(x,y)} \in \mathcal{T}_Y$  such that

$$(x, y) \in U_{(x,y)} \times V_{(x,y)} \subset O_{(x,y)}, \quad (1.62)$$

where  $U_{(x,y)} \times V_{(x,y)}$  is  $p_X^{-1}U_{(x,y)} \cap p_Y^{-1}V_{(x,y)} = (U_{(x,y)} \times Y) \cap (X \times V_{(x,y)})$ . Now  $\{V_{(x,y)} \mid y \in Y\}$  covers  $Y$ ; there is a finite subcover:

$$Y = V_{(x,y_{j(x,1)})} \cup \dots \cup V_{(x,y_{j(x,m_x)})}. \quad (1.63)$$

Define:

$$U_x := U_{(x,y_{j(x,1)})} \cap \dots \cap U_{(x,y_{j(x,m_x)})}. \quad (1.64)$$

Since it is a finite intersection of open subspaces in  $X$ ,  $U_x \in \mathcal{T}_X$ . Moreover,  $U_x$  is an open neighborhood of  $x$ .

We, then, have an open cover of  $X$ ,  $\{U_x \mid x \in X\}$ . There exists a finite subcover:

$$X = U_{x_1} \cup \dots \cup U_{x_n}. \quad (1.65)$$

Consider a finite subset of  $\mathcal{O}$ :

$$\{O_{(x,y)} \mid x \in \{x_1, \dots, x_n\}, y \in \{y_{j(x,1)}, \dots, y_{j(x,m_x)}\}\}. \quad (1.66)$$

Note that the indices for  $y$  varies as  $x \in \{x_1, \dots, x_n\}$ . We will show that it is the desired finite subcover of  $X \times Y$ .

Let  $(\xi, \eta) \in X \times Y$ . Since (1.65) holds, there is some  $x_p$  with  $\xi \in U_{x_p}$ . For such  $x_p$ , since

$$Y = V_{(x_p,y_{j(x_p,1)})} \cup \dots \cup V_{(x_p,y_{j(x_p,m_{x_p})})} \quad (1.67)$$

there is some  $y_{j(x_p,i)}$  with  $\eta \in V_{(x_p,y_{j(x_p,i)})}$ . For the given pair  $(\xi, \eta)$ , we conclude:

$$(\xi, \eta) \in U_{x_p} \times V_{(x_p,y_{j(x_p,i)})} \subset O_{(x_p,y_{j(x_p,i)})}. \quad (1.68)$$

Hence, (1.66) is the desired finite subcover of  $X \times Y$ . ■

## 1.3 Metric Spaces

### 1.3.1 Topological Properties

**Definition 1.3.1** (Metrics and Metric Spaces). Let  $X$  be a non-empty set. A metric on  $X$  is a real-valued map  $d: X \times X \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  that satisfies the following conditions:

- Non-negative:  
For every  $x, y \in X$ ,  $d(x, y) \geq 0$ .
- Distinguishable:  
For every  $x, y \in X$ ,  $d(x, y) = 0$  iff  $x = y$ .
- Symmetric:  
For every  $x, y \in X$ ,  $d(x, y) = d(y, x)$ .
- Triangle Inequality:  
For each triple points,

$$d(x, z) \leq d(x, y) + d(y, z). \quad (1.69)$$

We call  $d(x, y)$  the distance between two points  $x$  and  $y$  in  $X$ . For a non-empty subset  $A \subset X$  and  $x \in X$ , define the distance between  $A$  and  $x$  by

$$d(A, x) := \inf \{d(a, x) \mid a \in A\}, \quad (1.70)$$

where  $\inf$  stands for the greatest lower bound. Since the possible minimum value of the metric  $d$  is zero,  $d(A, x) \geq 0$  for each  $x \in X$ .

*Remark 5 (Metric Spaces).* Let  $X$  be a non-empty set and  $d$  be a metric on  $X$ . Consider the set of open balls:

$$\mathcal{B}_d := \{B_\epsilon(x) \mid \epsilon > 0 \wedge x \in X\}, \quad (1.71)$$

where

$$B_\epsilon(x) := \{y \in X \mid d(x, y) < \epsilon\}. \quad (1.72)$$

*Lemma 1.3.1.* *The set of all open balls in  $X$  forms a basis.*

*Proof.* Let  $X$  be a set,  $d$  be a metric on  $X$ ,  $\mathcal{B}_d$  is the set of all open balls in  $X$  defined above. Recalling Definition 1.2.5, we will show that  $\mathcal{B}_d$  satisfies the conditions in Remark 3:

1. Since  $X \subset \bigcup_{x \in X} B_1(x)$ ,  $\mathcal{B}_d$  covers  $X$ .
2. Let  $\epsilon_1 > 0, \epsilon_2 > 0$ , and  $x_1, x_2 \in X$ . Consider  $B_1 := B_{\epsilon_1}(x_1)$  and  $B_2 := B_{\epsilon_2}(x_2)$ . Suppose  $B_1 \cap B_2 \neq \emptyset$ . Let  $x \in B_1 \cap B_2$ . Define

$$\epsilon := \min \{\epsilon_1 - d(x_1, x), \epsilon_2 - d(x_2, x)\}. \quad (1.73)$$

Let  $y \in B_\epsilon(x)$ :

$$d(y, x_1) \leq d(y, x) + d(x, x_1) < \epsilon + d(x, x_1) = \epsilon_1. \quad (1.74)$$

We obtain  $y \in B_1$ ; dually  $y \in B_2$  as well, hence:

$$y \in B_1 \cap B_2. \quad (1.75)$$

We conclude  $B_\epsilon(x) \subset B_1 \cap B_2$ .

Hence,  $\mathcal{B}_d$  forms a basis of a topology on  $X$ . ■

With this generated topology, the set  $X$  with a metric  $d$  forms a topological space. The pair  $(X, d)$  is called a metric space with the generated topology.

*Remark 6.* As an important example of metric space, consider  $\mathbb{C}$  of the complex plane, where the metric is induced by the standard Euclid norm:

$$|z| := \sqrt{(\Re z)^2 + (\Im z)^2} \quad (1.76)$$

*Lemma 1.3.2.* For two complex numbers  $z$  and  $w$ , they are equal iff for every  $\epsilon > 0$ ,  $|z - w| < \epsilon$  holds.

*Proof.* ( $\Rightarrow$ ) Suppose  $z = w$ . Then  $|z - w| = 0$ . Therefore, for every  $\epsilon > 0$ ,  $|z - w| < \epsilon$ .

( $\Leftarrow$ ) Conversely, suppose  $z \neq w$ . Then,  $\epsilon := |z - w| > 0$ . Hence,  $|z - w| \not\leq \epsilon$  holds. ■

**Lemma 1.3.3.** A metric is continuous.

*Proof.* Let  $(X, d)$  be a metric space:

$$d: X \times X \rightarrow \mathbb{R}. \quad (1.77)$$

For the product  $X \times X$ , the subbase of the product topology is given by

$$\{U \times X \mid U \in \mathcal{T}_X\} \cup \{X \times V \mid V \in \mathcal{T}_X\} \quad (1.78)$$

where  $\mathcal{T}_X$  is the topology generated by the metric  $d$  on  $X$ , see Definition 1.2.12 and Lemma 1.3.1. Let  $0 < s < t$ ; for further discussion, let

$$(s < t) := \{x \in \mathbb{R} \mid s < x < t\} \quad (1.79)$$

be an open interval. We will show that the following preimage is open:

$$d^{\leftarrow}(s < t) = \{(x, y) \in X \times X \mid s < d(x, y) < t\}. \quad (1.80)$$

Let  $(x, y) \in d^{\leftarrow}(s < t)$ . Select a positive  $\epsilon > 0$  such that  $s < d(x, y) \pm 2\epsilon < t$ . Consider  $B_\epsilon(x) \times B_\epsilon(y)$ . For any  $(x', y') \in B_\epsilon(x) \times B_\epsilon(y)$ ,

$$d(x', y') \leq d(x', x) + d(x, y) + d(y, y') < d(x, y) + 2\epsilon < t \quad (1.81)$$

and  $s < d(x, y) - 2\epsilon < d(x', y')$  since

$$d(x, y) \leq d(x, x') + d(x', y') + d(y', y) < d(x', y') + 2\epsilon. \quad (1.82)$$

It follows  $(x', y') \in d^{\leftarrow}(s < t)$  and, hence,

$$B_\epsilon(x) \times B_\epsilon(y) \subset d^{\leftarrow}(s < t). \quad (1.83)$$

By Lemma 1.2.2, the preimage of an open interval  $d^{\leftarrow}(s < t)$  is open in  $X \times X$  relative to the product topology. ■

*Remark 7* ( $\epsilon\delta$ -Continuity). Intuitively speaking, the above proof can be expressed as follows.

For each  $x, x', y, y' \in X$ , the triangle inequality  $d(x', y) \leq d(x', y') + d(y, y')$  implies  $-d(x', y') \leq d(y, y') - d(x', y)$ . Hence,

$$d(x, y) - d(x', y') \leq d(x, x') + d(x', y) - d(x', y') \leq d(x, x') + d(y, y'). \quad (1.84)$$

Similarly,  $d(x', y') - d(x, y) \leq d(x', x) + d(y', y)$  holds. Thus,

$$|d(x, y) - d(x', y')| \leq d(x, x') + d(y, y'). \quad (1.85)$$

As  $(x', y') \rightarrow (x, y)$  i.e.,  $d(x, x') \rightarrow 0$  and  $d(y, y') \rightarrow 0$ , we conclude  $d$  is continuous  $d(x', y') \rightarrow d(x, y)$ .

**Theorem 1.3.1.** *Let  $(X, d)$  be a metric space and  $A \subset X$  be a non-empty subspace. For each point  $p \in X$ ,  $p \in \bar{A}$  iff  $d(A, p) = 0$ , where  $\bar{A}$  is the closure of  $A \subset (X, d)$  relative to the topology generated by  $d$  via  $\mathcal{B}_d$ .*

*Proof.* ( $\Rightarrow$ ) Suppose  $p \in \bar{A}$ . Let  $\epsilon > 0$ . Since  $B_\epsilon(x)$  is an open neighborhood around  $p$ ,

$$B_\epsilon(p) \cap A - \{p\} \neq \emptyset \quad (1.86)$$

by Definition 1.2.3. We may select  $q \in B_\epsilon(p) \cap A - \{p\}$ . Since  $q \in A$ , and  $d(A, p)$  is a lower bound of  $\{d(a, p) \mid a \in A\}$ :

$$d(A, p) \leq d(q, p) < \epsilon. \quad (1.87)$$

Recalling  $\epsilon > 0$  is arbitrary and  $d(A, p) \geq 0$ , by Lemma 1.3.2, we conclude  $d(A, p) = 0$ .

( $\Leftarrow$ ) Consider the complement  $\neg\bar{A} = X - \bar{A}$ . If  $\neg\bar{A} = \emptyset$ , nothing has to be proven. Let  $p \in \neg\bar{A}$ . Since  $\neg\bar{A} \subset X$  is open, there is  $\epsilon > 0$  such that

$$B_\epsilon(p) \subset \neg\bar{A}. \quad (1.88)$$

For each  $a \in A$ , since  $a \notin B_\epsilon(p)$ ,  $d(a, p) \geq \epsilon$ . That is,  $\epsilon > 0$  is a lower bound of  $\{d(a, p) \mid a \in A\}$ :

$$d(A, p) \geq \epsilon > 0. \quad (1.89)$$

Hence,  $d(A, p) \neq 0$  if  $p \notin \bar{A}$ . ■

**Theorem 1.3.2.** *Metric spaces are  $T_4$  spaces.*

*Proof.* Let  $(X, d)$  be a metric space.

First, we will show  $(X, d)$  is a Hausdorff space. Suppose  $x$  and  $y$  are distinct points in  $X$ . Since  $x \neq y$ ,

$$\epsilon := d(x, y) > 0. \quad (1.90)$$

We will show  $B_{\epsilon/2}(x) \cap B_{\epsilon/2}(y) = \emptyset$ . Suppose, for contradiction, that there exists  $p \in B_{\epsilon/2}(x) \cap B_{\epsilon/2}(y)$ . Then:

$$\epsilon = d(x, y) \leq d(x, p) + d(p, y) < \epsilon/2 + \epsilon/2 = \epsilon, \quad (1.91)$$

which is absurd.

Consider two non-empty disjoint closed subspaces  $F_1, F_2 \subset X$ . Let  $p \in F_1$ . Since  $\overline{F_1} = F_1$ , by Theorem 1.3.1,  $d(F_2, p) > 0$ . Define  $\delta_p := \frac{1}{3}d(F_2, p)$  and  $U_p := B_{\delta_p}(p)$ , and

$$G_1 := \bigcup_{p \in F_1} U_p. \quad (1.92)$$

Similarly,  $G_2 := \bigcup_{q \in F_2} V_q$ , where  $\delta_q := \frac{1}{3}d(F_1, q) > 0$  and  $V_q := B_{\delta_q}(q)$ . By definition, both  $G_1 \supset F_1$  and  $G_2 \supset F_2$ , and they are open in  $X$ . We will show  $G_1$  and  $G_2$  are disjoint. Suppose, for contradiction, that there is an  $r \in G_1 \cap G_2$ . Then, there are some  $p \in F_1$  and  $q \in F_2$  such that  $r \in B_{\delta_p}(p) \cap B_{\delta_q}(q)$ . Without loss of generality,  $\delta_p \leq \delta_q$ :

$$3\delta_p = d(F_1, q) \leq d(p, q) \leq d(p, r) + d(r, q) < \delta_p + \delta_q \leq 2\delta_p, \quad (1.93)$$

which is absurd. ■

**Theorem 1.3.3.** *Let  $(X, d)$  be a metric space and  $A \subset X$  be a non-empty subspace. The distance  $d(A, \cdot) : X \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  is continuous.*

*Proof.* Let  $p, q \in X$  and  $a \in A$ :

$$d(A, p) \leq d(a, p) \leq d(a, q) + d(q, p) \quad (1.94)$$

Therefore,  $d(A, p) - d(q, p) \leq d(a, q)$ , meaning that  $d(A, p) - d(q, p)$  is a lower bound of  $\{d(a, q) \mid a \in A\}$ :

$$d(A, p) - d(q, p) \leq d(A, q). \quad (1.95)$$

Swapping  $p \leftrightarrow q$ , we obtain  $d(A, q) - d(p, q) \leq d(A, p)$ :

$$|d(A, p) - d(A, q)| \leq d(p, q) \quad (1.96)$$

As  $q \rightarrow p$ , i.e., as  $d(p, q) \rightarrow 0$ ,  $|d(A, p) - d(A, q)| \rightarrow 0$ .

Formally speaking, for any  $\epsilon > 0$ , there is a  $\delta > 0$  for instance,  $\delta := \frac{\epsilon}{2}$  such that

$$|d(A, p) - d(A, q)| \leq d(p, q) < \epsilon \quad (1.97)$$

for any  $q \in B_\delta(p)$ . By the condition 4 in Theorem 1.2.5,  $d(A, \cdot)$  is continuous at  $p \in X$ . ■

*Remark 8 (Lipschitz Continuous).* Given two metric spaces  $X$  and  $\mathbb{R}$ , (1.96) implies  $d(A, \cdot)$  is Lipschitz continuous with Lipschitz constant is equal to 1.



### 1.3.2 Uniform Continuity and Uniform Limit Theorem

**Definition 1.3.2** (Uniformly Continuous Maps). A map  $f: X \rightarrow Y$  between metric spaces is called uniformly continuous iff for each  $\epsilon > 0$ , there exists  $\delta > 0$  such that

$$d_Y(fp, fq) < \epsilon \quad (1.98)$$

for each  $p, q \in X$  such that  $d_X(p, q) < \delta$ .

**Theorem 1.3.4** (Heine-Cantor Theorem). *A continuous map between two metric spaces is uniformly continuous if the domain space is compact.*

*Proof.* Let  $(X, d_X)$  and  $(Y, d_Y)$  be metric spaces, and  $f \in C^0(X, Y)$ . Suppose  $(X, d_X)$  is compact. Let  $\epsilon > 0$ . For each  $x \in X$ , since  $f$  is continuous, there exists  $\delta_x > 0$  such that

$$f(B_{\delta_x}(x)) \subset B_{\epsilon/2}(fx) \quad (1.99)$$

see the condition 4 in Theorem 1.2.5. Since  $\{B_{\delta_x/2}(x) \mid x \in X\}$  is an open covering of the given compact space  $X$ , there exists a finite subcover:

$$X = B_{\delta_{x_1}/2}(x_1) \cup \cdots \cup B_{\delta_{x_k}/2}(x_k). \quad (1.100)$$

Define  $\delta_0 > 0$ :

$$\delta_0 := \min \left\{ \frac{\delta_{x_1}}{2}, \dots, \frac{\delta_{x_k}}{2} \right\}. \quad (1.101)$$

Let  $p \in X$ ; there is some  $l \in \{1, \dots, k\}$  such that  $p \in B_{\delta_{x_l}/2}(x_l)$ . For each  $q \in B_{\delta_0}(p)$ , namely  $d_X(p, q) < \delta_0$ :

$$d_X(q, x_l) \leq d_X(q, p) + d_X(p, x_l) < \delta_0 + \frac{\delta_{x_l}}{2} \leq \delta_{x_l}. \quad (1.102)$$

That is, both  $p$  and  $q$  are in  $B_{\delta_{x_l}}(x_l)$ . Then, the images  $fp$  and  $fq$  are in  $B_{\epsilon/2}(fx_l)$ , hence

$$d_Y(fp, fq) \leq d_Y(fp, fx_l) + d_Y(fx_l, fq) < \frac{\epsilon}{2} + \frac{\epsilon}{2}. \quad (1.103)$$

Since  $p$  is arbitrary for the preassigned  $\epsilon > 0$ , we conclude that  $f$  is uniformly continuous. ■

**Definition 1.3.3** (Uniform Convergence). Let  $X$  be a set,  $(Y, d)$  be a metric space,

$$\{f_n: X \rightarrow Y \mid n \in \mathbb{N}\} \quad (1.104)$$

be a  $\mathbb{N}$ -index set of maps. As a sequence,  $\{f_n \mid n \in \mathbb{N}\}$  converges uniformly to a limit  $f_\infty$  iff for each  $\epsilon > 0$ , there exists  $N \in \mathbb{N}$  such that for every  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ ,

$$n \geq N \Rightarrow \forall x \in X : d(f_n(x), f_\infty(x)) < \epsilon. \quad (1.105)$$

**Theorem 1.3.5** (Uniform Limit Theorem). *Let  $X$  be a topological space,  $(Y, d)$  be a metric space,*

$$\{f_n: X \rightarrow Y \mid n \in \mathbb{N}\} \quad (1.106)$$

*be a sequence of maps converging uniformly to  $f_\infty: X \rightarrow Y$ . If  $\{f_n: X \rightarrow Y \mid n \in \mathbb{N}\}$  is a sequence of continuous maps, then the limit  $f_\infty$  is continuous.*

*Proof.* Let  $x \in X$ . For a given sequence  $\{f_n \in C^0(X, Y) \mid n \in \mathbb{N}\}$ , we will show that the limit is continuous at  $x$ . Let  $\epsilon > 0$  be arbitrary.

Since  $f_n \dashrightarrow f_\infty$  uniformly as  $n \dashrightarrow \infty$ , for any  $t \in X$ , there is some  $N_t \in \mathbb{N}$  such that

$$n \geq N_t \Rightarrow d(f_n t, f_\infty t) < \frac{\epsilon}{3}. \quad (1.107)$$

For  $n \geq N_x$ , since  $f_n \in C^0(X, Y)$ , there is some neighborhood  $U \in \mathcal{N}_x$  such that

$$\forall y \in U : |f_n x - f_n y| < \frac{\epsilon}{3}. \quad (1.108)$$

Let  $y \in U$ . If  $n \geq \max\{N_x, N_y\}$ ,

$$d(f_\infty x, f_\infty y) \leq d(f_\infty x, f_n x) + d(f_n x, f_n y) + d(f_n y, f_\infty y) < \epsilon. \quad (1.109)$$

Hence as  $y \dashrightarrow x$  relative to the topology on  $X$ ,  $f_\infty y \dashrightarrow f_\infty x$ . ■

**Theorem 1.3.6** (Special Case of Tietze-Urysohn Theorem). *Let  $(X, d)$  be a metric space,  $F_0, F_1 \subset X$  be non-empty closed subspaces. If  $F_0$  and  $F_1$  are disjoint, then there exists a continuous map  $f \in C^0(S, [0, 1])$  such that  $f|_{F_0} = 0$  and  $f|_{F_1} = 1$ .*

*Proof.* Since  $F_0 \cap F_1 = \emptyset$ ,

$$g := d(F_0, -) + d(F_1, -) \quad (1.110)$$

is continuous and positive definite. Define

$$fp := \frac{d(F_0, p)}{g(p)} = \frac{d(F_0, p)}{d(F_0, p) + d(F_1, p)} \quad (1.111)$$

We will show that  $f$  is continuous. For  $p, q \in X$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} fq - fp &= \frac{(d(F_0, p) + d(F_1, p)) d(F_0, q) - d(F_0, p) (d(F_0, q) + d(F_1, q))}{g(p)g(q)} \\ &= \frac{d(F_1, p) (d(F_0, q) - d(F_0, p)) + d(F_0, p) (d(F_1, p) - d(F_1, q))}{g(p)g(q)} \end{aligned} \quad (1.112)$$

By Theorem 1.3.3, we conclude that as  $q \dashrightarrow p$ ,  $fq \dashrightarrow fp$ . ■

**Corollary 1.3.6.1.** *With a scaling and a shift, we obtain  $\tilde{f} \in C^0(S, [a, b])$ :*

$$\tilde{f}x := (b - a)fx + a \quad (1.113)$$

*for  $a < b$ .*

**Lemma 1.3.4** (Special Case of Tietze's Extension Theorem). *Let  $(X, d)$  be a metric space,  $F \subset X$  be a closed subspace, and  $g \in C^0(F, [-1, 1])$ . There exists a continuous extension of  $g$ , that is, an  $f \in C^0(X, [-1, 1])$  exists such that  $f|_F = g$ .*

*Proof.* For closed intervals  $[-1, -\frac{1}{3}]$  and  $[\frac{1}{3}, 1]$ , their preimages:

$$F_{0-} := g^{\leftarrow} \left[ -1, -\frac{1}{3} \right], F_{0+} := g^{\leftarrow} \left[ \frac{1}{3}, 1 \right] \quad (1.114)$$

are closed in  $X$ , see the condition 3 Theorem 1.2.5. Moreover, they are disjoint. Applying Theorem 1.3.6, there exists

$$f_0 \in C^0 \left( X, \left[ -\frac{1}{3}, \frac{1}{3} \right] \right) \quad (1.115)$$

such that  $f_0|_{F_{0-}} = -\frac{1}{3}$  and  $f_0|_{F_{0+}} = +\frac{1}{3}$ . By definition,

$$\forall x \in X : |f_0 x| \leq \frac{1}{3}. \quad (1.116)$$

Since

$$F = \underbrace{g^{\leftarrow} \left[ -1, -\frac{1}{3} \right]}_{F_{0-}} \cup g^{\leftarrow} \left[ -\frac{1}{3}, \frac{1}{3} \right] \cup \underbrace{g^{\leftarrow} \left[ \frac{1}{3}, 1 \right]}_{F_{0+}} \quad (1.117)$$

we conclude  $|gx - f_0 x| \leq \frac{2}{3}$  for each  $x \in F$ :

- $x \in F_{0-}$  case

Since  $-1 \leq gx \leq -\frac{1}{3}$  and  $f_0 x = -\frac{1}{3}$ ,

$$-\frac{2}{3} \leq gx - f_0 x \leq 0. \quad (1.118)$$

- $x \in g^{\leftarrow} \left[ -\frac{1}{3}, \frac{1}{3} \right]$  case

Since both  $-\frac{1}{3} \leq gx, f_0 x \leq +\frac{1}{3}$ ,

$$-\frac{2}{3} \leq gx - f_0 x \leq \frac{2}{3}. \quad (1.119)$$

- $x \in F_{0+}$  case

Since  $\frac{1}{3} \leq gx \leq 1$  and  $f_0 x = +\frac{1}{3}$ ,

$$0 \leq gx - f_0 x \leq \frac{2}{3}. \quad (1.120)$$

Define  $g_1 := g - f_0$ . As shown above  $g_1 \in C^0(F, [-\frac{2}{3}, \frac{2}{3}])$ . For

$$F = g_1 \leftarrow \left[-\frac{2}{3}, -\frac{2}{3}\frac{1}{3}\right] \cup g_1 \leftarrow \left[-\frac{2}{3}\frac{1}{3}, \frac{2}{3}\frac{1}{3}\right] \cup g_1 \leftarrow \left[\frac{2}{3}\frac{1}{3}, \frac{2}{3}\right] \quad (1.121)$$

by Theorem 1.3.6, there exists  $f_1 \in C^0(X, [-\frac{2}{3}, \frac{2}{3}])$  with

$$\forall x \in F : |g_1x - f_1x| = \left| gx - \sum_{j=0}^1 f_jx \right| \leq \left(\frac{2}{3}\right)^2 \quad (1.122)$$

We can continue this process so that for each  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ ,

$$f_n \in C^0\left(X, \left[-\left(\frac{2}{3}\right)^n \frac{1}{3}, \left(\frac{2}{3}\right)^n \frac{1}{3}\right]\right) \quad (1.123)$$

such that

$$\forall x \in F : \left| gx - \sum_{j=0}^n f_jx \right| \leq \left(\frac{2}{3}\right)^n \quad (1.124)$$

Since  $\{f_n \mid n \in \mathbb{N}\}$  is a sequence of bounded maps such that

$$\left\| \sum_{j=0}^n f_j \right\| \leq \sum_{j=0}^n \|f_j\| \leq \sum_{j=0}^n \left(\frac{2}{3}\right)^j \frac{1}{3} < 1, \quad (1.125)$$

the limit  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sum_{j=0}^n f_j = \sum_{n \in \mathbb{N}} f_n$  exists, where  $\|f\| := \sup_{x \in X} |fx|$ . Moreover, it is a uniform limit of continuous functions on  $X$ ,

$$\sum_{n \in \mathbb{N}} f_n \in C^0(X, [-1, 1]). \quad (1.126)$$

By (1.124),  $\sum_{j=0}^n f_j \rightarrow g$  as  $n \rightarrow \infty$  on  $F$ :

$$\sum_{n \in \mathbb{N}} f_n \Big|_F = g. \quad (1.127)$$

Hence,  $\sum_{n \in \mathbb{N}} f_n$  is the desired continuous extension of  $g$  on  $X$ . ■

# Chapter 2

## Complex Analysis 101

We assume some working knowledge of real numbers, particularly the existence of least upper bound: if a subspace  $A \subset \mathbb{R}$  of real numbers is non-empty and bounded above, then it has a least upper bound. Such an upper bound, if it exists, is unique.

### 2.1 Intervals and Curves

#### 2.1.1 Real Intervals and Heine-Borel Theorem

**Definition 2.1.1** (Real Intervals). For  $a, b \in \mathbb{R}$ , let

$$[a, b] := \{(1-t)a + tb \mid t \in [0, 1]\}. \quad (2.1)$$

We call  $[a, b]$  a real closed interval.

**Theorem 2.1.1.** *A real closed interval  $[a, b] \subset \mathbb{R}$  is connected.*

*Proof.* Let  $F \subset [a, b]$  be a closed proper subspace:

$$\emptyset \subsetneq F \subsetneq [a, b]. \quad (2.2)$$

We will show that  $F$  is not open.

Let  $x \in F$  and  $y \in \neg F$ . Without loss of generality, consider  $x < y$  case. Define  $F_{<y} := \{t \in F \mid t < y\}$ ; as  $x \in F_{<y}$  and  $F_{<y}$  is bounded above, we may set:

$$z := \sup F_{<y}. \quad (2.3)$$

Then  $x \leq z \leq y$ , since  $y$  is an upper bound of  $F_{<y}$  and  $z$  is the least upper bound.

For any  $\epsilon > 0$ ,  $B_\epsilon(z) \cap F \neq \emptyset$ , i.e.,  $z \in \overline{F}$ , where  $B_\epsilon(x) := (x - \epsilon, x + \epsilon)$ . Otherwise, any number in  $(z - \epsilon, z)$  would be an upper bound of  $F_{<y}$ , which contradicts the very definition of  $z$ .

Recalling  $F \subset [a, b]$  is closed, we conclude  $z \in F$ . Therefore,  $z < y$ . Since the open interval  $(z, y)$  does not meet  $F$ ,  $(z, y) \cap F = \emptyset$ , for each  $\epsilon > 0$ ,  $B_\epsilon(z) \not\subset F$ . In other words,  $F$  is not a neighborhood of  $z$ ; hence,  $F$  can not be an open subspace of  $[a, b]$ . It follows that no clopen proper subspace in  $[a, b]$ . By Theorem 1.2.8,  $[a, b] \subset \mathbb{R}$  is connected. ■

**Theorem 2.1.2.** *A real closed interval  $[a, b] \subset \mathbb{R}$  is compact.*

*Proof.* Let  $\mathcal{O}$  be an open cover of  $[a, b]$ . Define

$$S := \{x \in [a, b] \mid [a, x] \text{ is finitely covered by } \mathcal{O}\} \quad (2.4)$$

- $S$  is not empty

Since  $a \in [a, b]$  is covered by at least one  $U \in \mathcal{O}$ ,  $[a, a] = \{a\} \subset U$ . Hence,  $a \in S$ .

- $S \subset [a, b]$  is open

Let  $x \in S$  and  $\{V_1, \dots, V_n\} \subset \mathcal{O}$  be the finite subcover of  $[a, x]$ . Since  $x \in [a, b]$  is covered by some open  $V \in \mathcal{O}$ , there exists a positive  $\epsilon > 0$  such that:

$$B_\epsilon(x) \subset V. \quad (2.5)$$

We will show that  $B_\epsilon(x) \subset S$ . Let  $y \in B_\epsilon(x)$ . Since  $y \in V$ , we have a finite subcover  $\{V_1, \dots, V_n, V\}$  of  $[a, y]$ . Hence,  $y \in S$ . By Lemma 1.2.2,  $S \subset [a, b]$  is open.

- $S \subset [a, b]$  is closed

Let  $x \in \overline{S}$ , where the closure  $\overline{S}$  is relative to the topology of  $[a, b]$ . Since  $\overline{S} \subset [a, b]$ ,  $x$  is in some open  $W \in \mathcal{O}$ :

$$x \in W. \quad (2.6)$$

Hence, there is a positive  $\epsilon > 0$  with  $B_\epsilon(x) \subset W$ . Since  $x \in \overline{S}$ :

$$B_\epsilon(x) \cap S \neq \emptyset. \quad (2.7)$$

There exists, thus, some  $y \in B_\epsilon(x) \cap S$  such that  $[a, y]$  is finitely covered:

$$[a, y] \subset W_1 \cup \dots \cup W_k. \quad (2.8)$$

Then  $[a, x]$  is covered by  $\{W_1, \dots, W_k, W\}$ , since the interval between  $x$  and  $y$  is covered by  $W$  and  $x \in W$ . Therefore, we conclude  $x \in S$ . With the trivial inclusion  $S \subset \overline{S}$ , we conclude  $S = \overline{S}$  by Theorem 1.2.1.

As shown,  $S \subset [a, b]$  is non-empty and clopen. Since  $[a, b] \subset \mathbb{R}$  is connected by Theorem 2.1.1, we conclude  $S = [a, b]$ . Hence,  $[a, b]$  is compact. ■

**Theorem 2.1.3** (Heine-Borel Theorem). *Let  $n$  be a positive integer. A subspace  $K \subset \mathbb{R}^n$  is compact iff it is bounded and closed.*

*Proof.* ( $\Rightarrow$ ) Since  $\mathbb{R}^n$  is furnished with the standard metric  $d$ , as shown in Theorem 1.3.2,  $\mathbb{R}^n$  is a Hausdorff space. Thus, if  $K \subset \mathbb{R}^n$  is compact, it is closed by Theorem 1.2.16. Consider  $\{B_1(x) \mid x \in K\}$  of the set of unit open balls. Since it is an open cover of the compact subspace  $K \subset \mathbb{R}^n$ , there is a finite subcover:

$$K \subset B_1(x_1) \cup \cdots \cup B_1(x_n). \quad (2.9)$$

Define  $M := \max\{|x_1|, \dots, |x_n|\}$ . For each  $x \in K$ , there is some  $x_p$  with  $x \in B_1(x_p)$ :

$$|x| = d(0, x) \leq d(0, x_p) + d(x_p, x) < M + 1. \quad (2.10)$$

Hence,  $K \subset B_{M+1}(0)$  i.e.,  $K$  is bounded.

Conversely, suppose  $K \subset \mathbb{R}^n$  is bounded and closed. Since  $K$  is bounded, there is  $\mu > 0$  with

$$K \subset [-\mu, \mu]^n. \quad (2.11)$$

As shown in Theorem 2.1.2,  $[-\mu, \mu] \subset \mathbb{R}$  is compact; by Theorem 1.2.19, the product  $[-\mu, \mu]^n$  is a compact subspace in  $\mathbb{R}^n$ . By Lemma 1.2.1, since  $K \subset [-\mu, \mu]^n$  is closed. By Theorem 1.2.15, the closed subspace  $K \subset [-\mu, \mu]^n$  of a compact subspace  $[-\mu, \mu]^n \subset \mathbb{R}^n$  is a compact subspace in  $\mathbb{R}^n$ . ■

**Theorem 2.1.4** (Extreme Value Theorem). *A real valued continuous map  $f$  on a compact space  $K$  is bounded, and there are  $p, q \in K$  such that  $fp = \sup_{x \in K} fx$  and  $fq = \inf_{x \in K} fx$ .*

*Proof.* Let  $f \in C^0(K, \mathbb{R})$  be a continuous map on a compact space  $K$ . The image  $fK \subset \mathbb{R}$  is compact by Theorem 1.2.14; by Theorem 2.1.3,  $fK$  is bounded in  $\mathbb{R}$ . Let  $M := \sup_{x \in K} fx$ . Suppose, for contradiction, that there is no point  $x$  on  $K$  so that  $fx = M$ , namely for each  $x \in K$ ,  $fx < M$ . Then  $x \mapsto \frac{1}{M-fx} > 0$  is continuous on  $K$ , hence  $\frac{1}{M-f}$  is bounded. Let  $\epsilon > 0$  be arbitrary. There must be some  $x_\epsilon \in K$  with  $M - \epsilon < fx_\epsilon \leq M$ , otherwise  $M - \epsilon$  would be an upper bound of  $fK$ . Hence,  $\frac{1}{M-fx_\epsilon} > \frac{1}{\epsilon}$ , which means  $\frac{1}{M-f}$  is not bounded, a contradiction. ■

**Corollary 2.1.4.1.** *For a subspace  $A \subset \mathbb{C}$ , define*

$$\delta A := \sup\{|a - b| \mid a, b \in A\} \quad (2.12)$$

*If  $A$  is compact, there are  $x, y \in A$  with  $\delta A = |x - y| < \infty$ .*

*Proof.* Let

$$f: \mathbb{C} \times \mathbb{C} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}; (x, y) \mapsto |x - y| \quad (2.13)$$

be the standard metric on  $\mathbb{C}$ . By Lemma 1.3.3,  $f$  is continuous. If  $A \subset \mathbb{C}$  is compact, the product  $A \times A$  is also compact by Theorem 1.2.19. Hence,  $f|_{A \times A}$  is bounded. Applying Theorem 2.1.4,  $f$  has maximum, namely there are  $x, y \in A$  with  $\delta A = f(x, y) = |x - y|$ . ■

### 2.1.2 Curves in $\mathbb{C}$

**Definition 2.1.2** (Curves and Complex Intervals). Let  $X$  be a topological space. A curve in  $X$  is a continuous map from some closed interval, namely  $\gamma \in C^0([a, b], X)$ . We call  $\gamma(a)$  the initial point of  $\gamma$ , and  $\gamma(b)$  the final point of  $\gamma$ . A closed curve is a curve  $\gamma \in C^0([a, b], X)$  with  $\gamma(a) = \gamma(b)$ . Let  $[\gamma] := \gamma[a, b]$  be the image in  $X$  of a curve  $\gamma \in C^0([a, b], X)$ . In other words, a closed curve is a curve with no endpoints. For a pair of complex numbers  $z, w \in \mathbb{C}$ , we denote  $[w, z] := \{(1-t)w + tz \mid t \in [0, 1]\}$ .

**Theorem 2.1.5.** *The image of a curve in  $\mathbb{C}$  is compact.*

*Proof.* Let  $\gamma \in C^0([a, b], \mathbb{C})$  be a curve. By Theorem 1.2.14 and Theorem 2.1.2, the continuous image  $[\gamma]$  is compact. ■

**Theorem 2.1.6.** *Let  $r > 0$  and  $x \in \mathbb{C}$ . Both  $B_r(x) \subset \mathbb{C}$  and its complement  $\neg B_r(x) = \mathbb{C} - B_r(x)$  are connected.*

*Proof.* Consider  $y \in B_r(x)$  and  $[x, y] = \{(1-t)x + ty \mid y \in [0, 1]\}$ . Let  $p = (1-t)x + ty \in [x, y]$ . Then  $p \in B_r(x)$  since

$$|p - x| = |-tx + ty| = |t| |x - y| \leq |x - y| < r. \quad (2.14)$$

It follows  $[x, y] \subset B_r(x)$ . Hence,

$$B_r(x) = \bigcup_{y \in B_r(x)} [x, y] \quad (2.15)$$

and each complex interval shares the center  $x$  in common. By Theorem 1.2.11, we conclude  $B_r(x)$  is connected.

The complement  $\neg B_r(x)$  is given by:

$$\{z \in \mathbb{C} \mid |z - x| \geq r\} = C \cup \bigcup_{\theta \in [0, 2\pi]} J_\theta = \bigcup_{\theta \in [0, 2\pi]} C \cup J_\theta, \quad (2.16)$$

where  $C := \partial B_r(x) = \{z \in \mathbb{C} \mid |z - x| = r\}$  and  $J_\theta := \{x + t \exp \sqrt{-1}\theta \mid t \geq r\}$ . Now,  $C$  is the image of a continuous map  $\gamma_0 \in C^0([0, 2\pi], \mathbb{C})$ :

$$\gamma_0\theta = \exp \sqrt{-1}\theta. \quad (2.17)$$

Hence,  $C = [\gamma]$  is connected since it is the continuous image of the connected interval  $[0, 1] \subset \mathbb{R}$ ; see Theorem 1.2.9 and Theorem 2.1.1. Similarly,  $J_\theta$  is also connected for each  $\theta \in [0, 1]$  with  $C \cap J_\theta = \{r \exp \sqrt{-1}\theta\}$ . By Theorem 1.2.11,  $C \cup J_\theta$  is connected for each  $\theta \in [0, 2\pi]$ . Therefore, we conclude  $\bigcup_{\theta \in [0, 2\pi]} C \cup J_\theta$  is connected. ■

**Definition 2.1.3** (Path-Connectedness). A topological space is called path-connected iff each pair of points can be joined by a curve.

**Lemma 2.1.1.** *Each path-connected space is connected.*



*Proof.* Let  $X$  be a path-connected non-empty space and  $x \in X$ . For each  $y \in X$ , there exists  $\gamma_y \in C^0([0, 1], X)$  such that  $\gamma_y 0 = x$  and  $\gamma_y 1 = y$ . Since each  $\gamma_y$  is connected by Theorem 1.2.9, sharing the initial point  $\gamma_y 0 = x$ ,

$$X = \bigcup_{y \in X} [\gamma_y] \quad (2.18)$$

is connected by Theorem 1.2.11. ■

**Theorem 2.1.7.** *Let  $X$  be a topological space. TFAE:*

1. *Each path-component is open.*
2. *Each point of  $X$  has a path-connected open neighborhood.*

*Proof.* (1  $\Rightarrow$  2) Each point belongs to some path-component. By 1, such a path-component is open, and therefore, it is an open neighborhood of its points.

(2  $\Rightarrow$  1) Let  $K$  be a path-component of  $X$ , and  $x \in K$ . By 2, there is an open and path-connected  $U \subset Y$  with  $x \in U \subset Y$ . By the  $\subset$ -largest property of  $K$ ,  $K \subset K \cup U$  implies  $U \subset K$ . By Lemma 1.2.2,  $K$  is open. ■

*Remark 9.* Let  $K$  be a path-component of  $X$ . Since  $\neg K = X - K$  is given by the union of other open path-components,  $\neg K \subset X$  is open. Namely, a path-component of  $X$  is clopen.

**Theorem 2.1.8.** *A topological space is path-connected iff it is connected and each point has a path-connected open neighborhood.*

*Proof.* ( $\Rightarrow$ ) Let  $X$  be a path-connected space. As shown in Lemma 2.1.1,  $X$  is connected, and hence  $X$  is clopen. Then,  $X$  itself is a path-connected open neighborhood of its points.

( $\Leftarrow$ ) Let  $X$  be a connected topological space in which each point has a path-connected open neighborhood. Each path-component is open and, hence, closed in  $X$ . Since  $X$  is connected, such a clopen subspace must be  $X$  itself. ■

**Corollary 2.1.8.1.** *An open subspace in  $\mathbb{R}^n$ , in particular in  $\mathbb{C}$ , is connected iff it is path-connected.*

*Proof.* Let  $U \subset \mathbb{C}$  be an open subspace. Each point  $x \in U$  has  $\epsilon > 0$  with  $B_\epsilon(x) \subset U$ . Recall  $B_\epsilon(x)$  is path-connected, see the proof in Theorem 2.1.6, via Theorem 2.1.8, the connectedness of  $U \subset \mathbb{C}$  is equivalent to the path-connectedness of  $U$ . ■

## 2.2 Winding Numbers

The winding number of a closed curve is the number of times the curve winds around a given point on the complex plane  $\mathbb{C}$ .

**Definition 2.2.1** (Argument). For any  $z \in \mathbb{C} - \mathbb{R}_{\leq 0}$ , there are unique  $\theta \in (-\pi, \pi)$  and  $r > 0$  such that  $z = r \exp(\sqrt{-1}\theta)$ . We call  $\theta$  the argument of  $z = r \exp(\sqrt{-1}\theta)$ :

$$\arg: (\mathbb{C} - \mathbb{R}_{\leq 0}) \rightarrow (-\pi, \pi); r \exp(\sqrt{-1}\theta) \mapsto \theta. \quad (2.19)$$

**Theorem 2.2.1.** A curve in  $\mathbb{C}$  is uniformly continuous.

*Proof.* Let  $\gamma \in C^0([a, b], \mathbb{C})$  be a curve. As shown in Theorem 2.1.2, the domain  $[a, b] \subset \mathbb{R}$  is compact. By Theorem 1.3.4, it follows. ■

**Definition 2.2.2** (Winding Numbers of Closed Curves). Let  $\gamma \in C^0([a, b], \mathbb{R})$  be a closed curve and  $z_0 \in \neg[\gamma]$ . We will define the winding number  $n(\gamma, z_0)$  of the curve  $\gamma$  at  $z_0$ .

Since  $[\gamma] \subset \mathbb{C}$  is closed, Theorem 1.3.1 implies

$$\delta_0 := d([\gamma], z_0) > 0 \quad (2.20)$$

Let  $\epsilon > 0$  such that

$$0 < \epsilon < \delta_0. \quad (2.21)$$

Since  $\gamma$  is uniformly continuous by Theorem 1.3.4, there exists  $\delta > 0$  such that, for each  $s, t \in [a, b]$ ,

$$|s - t| < \delta \Rightarrow |\gamma s - \gamma t| < \epsilon. \quad (2.22)$$

Consider a finite subdivision of  $[a, b]$ :

$$a = a_0 < a_1 < \cdots < a_{n-1} < a_n = b \quad (2.23)$$

such that  $\max\{a_1 - a_0, \cdots, a_n - a_{n-1}\} < \delta$ . Then, for each pair  $(a_{j-1}, a_j), j \in \{1, \cdots, n\}$ :

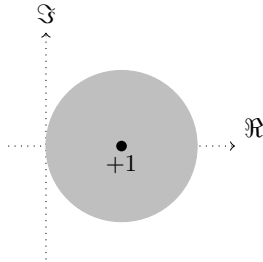
$$|\gamma a_j - \gamma a_{j-1}| < \epsilon. \quad (2.24)$$

Moreover, for each  $j \in \{1, \cdots, n\}$ ,

$$w_j := \frac{\gamma a_j - z_0}{\gamma a_{j-1} - z_0} \quad (2.25)$$

satisfies  $|w_j - 1| < 1$ , hence  $\Re w_j > 0$ :

$$|w_j - 1| = \left| \frac{\gamma a_j - z_0 - (\gamma a_{j-1} - z_0)}{\gamma a_{j-1} - z_0} \right| = \left| \frac{\gamma a_j - \gamma a_{j-1}}{\gamma a_{j-1} - z_0} \right| < \frac{\epsilon}{\delta_0} < 1. \quad (2.26)$$



Thus, for each  $j \in \{1, \dots, n\}$ ,

$$\arg w_j \in \left(-\frac{\pi}{2}, \frac{\pi}{2}\right). \quad (2.27)$$

Since  $\gamma$  is closed,  $\gamma a_0 = \gamma a = \gamma b = \gamma a_n$ :

$$\prod_{j=1}^n w_j = \prod_{j=1}^n \frac{\gamma a_j - z_0}{\gamma a_{j-1} - z_0} = \frac{\gamma a_n - z_0}{\gamma a_0 - z_0} = 1, \quad (2.28)$$

we conclude  $\sum_{j=1}^n \arg w_j \equiv 0 \pmod{2\pi}$ . We define:

$$n(\gamma, z_0) := \frac{1}{2\pi} \sum_{j=1}^n \arg w_j. \quad (2.29)$$

*Remark 10.* As a trivial example, if a curve is a constant, its winding number is zero.

**Lemma 2.2.1.** *The winding number is independent of the subdivision.*

*Proof.* We will show that the winding number based on a new subdivision:

$$a_0 < \dots < a_{j-1} < \tau < a_j < \dots < a_n \quad (2.30)$$

is equal to the original  $n(\gamma, z_0)$  via the subdivision in (2.23), using the same notation in Definition 2.2.2.

Let  $\theta_j := \arg w_j$ . Since

$$\theta_j = \arg \frac{\gamma a_j - z_0}{\gamma a_{j-1} - z_0} = \arg \frac{\gamma a_j - z_0}{\gamma \tau - z_0} \frac{\gamma \tau - z_0}{\gamma a_{j-1} - z_0} \quad (2.31)$$

if we define  $\theta'_j := \arg \frac{\gamma a_j - z_0}{\gamma \tau - z_0}$  and  $\theta''_j := \arg \frac{\gamma \tau - z_0}{\gamma a_{j-1} - z_0}$ , we have

$$\theta_j \equiv \theta'_j + \theta''_j \pmod{2\pi}. \quad (2.32)$$

Since each argument is in  $(-\frac{\pi}{2}, \frac{\pi}{2})$ :

$$|\theta_j - (\theta'_j + \theta''_j)| \leq |\theta_j| + |\theta'_j| + |\theta''_j| < \frac{3}{2}\pi, \quad (2.33)$$

we conclude  $\theta_j = \theta'_j + \theta''_j$ . This means the winding number based on a finer subdivision remains the same.  $\blacksquare$

**Theorem 2.2.2.** *Let  $\gamma$  be a closed curve in  $\mathbb{C}$ . Then*

$$n(\gamma, -): \mathbb{C} \setminus \gamma \rightarrow \mathbb{Z} \quad (2.34)$$

*is constant on each connected component in  $\mathbb{C} \setminus \gamma$ . In particular,  $n(\gamma, -)$  is zero on an unbounded connected component.*

*Proof.* Let  $\gamma \in C^0([a, b], \mathbb{R})$  be a closed curve,  $t \in [a, b]$ , and  $z_0, z'_0 \in \neg[\gamma]$ . We use the same  $0 < \epsilon < \delta_0 := d([\gamma], z_0)$  and subdivision  $a = a_0 < \dots < a_n = b$  for  $z_0$ . Since

$$|\gamma t - z_0| \leq |\gamma t - z'_0| + |z_0 - z'_0|. \quad (2.35)$$

we obtain:

$$|\gamma t - z'_0| \geq |\gamma t - z_0| - |z_0 - z'_0| = \delta_0 - |z_0 - z'_0| \quad (2.36)$$

If  $z_0$  and  $z'_0$  are relatively close, namely, if  $|z_0 - z'_0| < \delta_0 - \epsilon$ ,

$$|\gamma t - z'_0| > \epsilon. \quad (2.37)$$

Then, for each  $s \in [a, b]$ ,  $|\gamma s - z'_0| > \epsilon > 0$ , and

$$d([\gamma], z'_0) \geq \epsilon > 0. \quad (2.38)$$

Hence, for  $n(\gamma, z'_0)$ , we may use the same subdivision as  $n(\gamma, z_0)$ :

$$|w'_j - 1| = \left| \frac{\gamma a_j - \gamma a_{j-1}}{\gamma a_{j-1} - z'_0} \right| < \frac{\epsilon}{\epsilon} = 1 \quad (2.39)$$

where

$$w'_j := \frac{\gamma a_j - z'_0}{\gamma a_{j-1} - z'_0}, \quad (2.40)$$

for each  $j \in \{1, \dots, n\}$ .

We will first show  $n(\gamma, -)$  is continuous. Let  $j \in \{1, \dots, n\}$ . Define:

$$v_j := \frac{\gamma a_j - z_0}{\gamma a_j - z'_0}. \quad (2.41)$$

Since

$$|v_j - 1| = \left| \frac{z'_0 - z_0}{\gamma a_j - z'_0} \right| < \frac{|z'_0 - z_0|}{\epsilon} \quad (2.42)$$

if  $z'_0$  is sufficiently close to  $z_0$ , namely if

$$|z_0 - z'_0| < \min \{\epsilon, \delta_0 - \epsilon\} \quad (2.43)$$

then we obtain  $|v_j - 1| < 1$ . Hence

$$\arg v_j \in \left( -\frac{\pi}{2}, \frac{\pi}{2} \right). \quad (2.44)$$

Since

$$\theta'_j := \arg \frac{\gamma a_j - z'_0}{\gamma a_{j-1} - z'_0} = \arg \frac{\gamma a_j - z'_0}{\gamma a_j - z_0} \frac{\gamma a_j - z_0}{\gamma a_{j-1} - z_0} \frac{\gamma a_{j-1} - z_0}{\gamma a_{j-1} - z'_0}. \quad (2.45)$$

we obtain:

$$\theta'_j \equiv \theta_j - \arg v_j + \arg v_{j-1} \pmod{2\pi}. \quad (2.46)$$

Recalling each angle is in  $(-\frac{\pi}{2}, \frac{\pi}{2})$ , we conclude

$$\theta'_j = \theta_j - \arg v_j + \arg v_{j-1}. \quad (2.47)$$

Recalling  $\gamma a_0 = \gamma a_n$ , we have  $v_0 = v_n$ . Moreover:

$$\sum_{j=1}^n \theta'_j = \sum_{j=1}^n \theta_j. \quad (2.48)$$

Thus,  $n(\gamma, -)$  is locally constant, and hence  $n(\gamma, -)$  is continuous relative to the discrete topology:

$$n(\gamma, -) \in C^0(-[\gamma], \mathbb{Z}). \quad (2.49)$$

Let  $\Omega \subset -[\gamma]$  be a connected component and  $z_0 \in \Omega$ . Define

$$\Omega_0 := \{z \in \Omega \mid n(\gamma, z) = n(\gamma, z_0)\} = \Omega \cap n(\gamma, -)^{\leftarrow} n(\gamma, z_0). \quad (2.50)$$

Since the singleton set  $\{n(\gamma, z_0)\} \subset \mathbb{Z}$  is open, its preimage  $\Omega_0 \subset \Omega$  is open. Moreover, its complement is also open:

$$\Omega_1 := \{z \in \Omega \mid n(\gamma, z) \neq n(\gamma, z_0)\} = \Omega \cap \bigcup_{k \neq n(\gamma, z_0)} n(\gamma, -)^{\leftarrow} k \quad (2.51)$$

By definition,  $\Omega_0 \cup \Omega_1 = \Omega$ , and these two open subspaces are disjoint:

$$\Omega_0 \cap \Omega_1 = \emptyset. \quad (2.52)$$

Since  $\Omega$  is connected and  $z_0 \in \Omega \cap \Omega_0$ , by Theorem 1.2.8, we conclude  $\Omega_0 = \Omega$ . Hence,  $n(\gamma, -)$  is constant on each connected component.

Finally, we will show that  $n(\gamma, -)$  is zero on an unbounded connected component. Since  $\mathbb{C}$  is Hausdorff, and as shown in Theorem 2.1.5  $[\gamma] \subset \mathbb{C}$  is compact, by Theorem 1.2.16,  $[\gamma] \subset \mathbb{C}$  is closed. There exists  $R > 0$  with  $[\gamma] \subset \overline{B_R(0)} = \{w \in \mathbb{C} \mid |w| \leq R\}$ . The complement  $\neg \overline{B_R(0)} = \{w \in \mathbb{C} \mid |w| > R\}$  is connected, as shown in Theorem 2.1.6. Let  $\Omega_\infty$  be an unbounded component of  $\neg[\gamma]$ :

$$\overline{\neg B_R(0)} \subset \Omega_\infty. \quad (2.53)$$

Consider  $z_0 \in \Omega_\infty$  such that  $|z_0| > 3R$ . Let  $s, t \in [a, b]$ :

$$\begin{aligned} |\gamma t - z_0| &\geq |z_0| - |\gamma t| > 3R - R = 2R \\ |\gamma s - \gamma t| &\leq |\gamma s| + |\gamma t| \leq 2R \end{aligned} \quad (2.54)$$

Then, we obtain:

$$\left| \frac{\gamma s - \gamma t}{\gamma t - z_0} \right| < 1. \quad (2.55)$$

Since  $s, t \in [a, b]$  are arbitrary, we may use the trivial subdivision  $a < b$ :

$$\arg \frac{\gamma b - z_0}{\gamma a - z_0} = \arg 1 = 0. \quad (2.56)$$

Hence,  $n(\gamma, -)|_{\Omega_\infty} = 0$ . ■

**Theorem 2.2.3.** Let  $\gamma_0, \gamma_1$  be closed curves in  $\mathbb{C}$ , for simplicity,  $\gamma_0, \gamma_1 \in C^0([0, 1], \mathbb{C})$  with  $\gamma_0 0 = \gamma_0 1$  and  $\gamma_1 0 = \gamma_1 1$ . Suppose  $\gamma_0 0 = \gamma_1 0$ , and there exists  $h \in C^0([0, 1] \times [0, 1], \mathbb{C})$  such that

$$h(0, -) = \gamma_0, h(1, -) = \gamma_1, h(-, 0) = \gamma_0 0 = h(-, 1). \quad (2.57)$$

Then,  $n(\gamma_0, z_0) = n(\gamma_1, z_0)$  for  $z_0 \in \neg[h]$ .

*Proof.* Note that for each  $s \in [0, 1]$ ,  $h(s, 0) = h(s, 1)$ , that is  $h(s, -) \in C^0([0, 1], \mathbb{C})$  is a closed curve.

Let  $z_0 \in \neg[h]$ . By Theorem 1.2.14, since  $h$  is compact and its domain  $[0, 1] \times [0, 1] \subset \mathbb{R}^2$  is compact in  $\mathbb{C}$ . Since the underlying  $\mathbb{C}$  is a Hausdorff space, by Theorem 1.2.16,  $[h] \subset \mathbb{C}$  is closed. Hence,

$$\delta_0 := d([h], z_0) > 0 \quad (2.58)$$

by Theorem 1.3.1. Let  $\epsilon > 0$  such that  $0 < \epsilon < \delta_0$ . Since  $h$  is continuous on a compact space  $[0, 1] \times [0, 1] \subset \mathbb{R}^2$ , by Theorem 1.3.4,  $h$  is uniformly continuous. Therefore, there exists  $\delta > 0$  such that, for each  $s, s', t, t' \in [0, 1]$ :

$$|s - s'|, |t - t'| < \delta \Rightarrow |h(s, t) - h(s', t')| < \epsilon. \quad (2.59)$$

Consider subdivisions  $0 = s_0 < \dots < s_m = 1$  and  $0 = t_0 < \dots < t_n = 1$  such that

$$\max\{s_1 - s_0, \dots, s_m - s_{m-1}, t_1 - t_0, \dots, t_n - t_{n-1}\} < \delta. \quad (2.60)$$

Let  $j \in \{0, \dots, m\}$ . The condition (2.60) guarantees:

$$2\pi n(h(s_j, -), z_0) = \sum_{k=1}^n \arg \frac{h(s_j, t_k) - z_0}{h(s_j, t_{k-1}) - z_0} \quad (2.61)$$

is well-defined; see the construction in Definition 1.2.16. Moreover, for any  $t \in [0, 1]$ :

$$\left| \frac{h(s_j, t) - z_0}{h(s_{j-1}, t) - z_0} - 1 \right| = \left| \frac{h(s_j, t) - h(s_{j-1}, t)}{h(s_{j-1}, t) - z_0} \right| < \frac{\epsilon}{\delta_0} < 1 \quad (2.62)$$

holds, where we set  $s_{-1} = s_{m-1}$ , and hence,  $\left| \arg \frac{h(s_j, t) - z_0}{h(s_{j-1}, t) - z_0} \right| < \frac{\pi}{2}$ .

Since

$$\frac{h(s_j, t_k) - z_0}{h(s_j, t_{k-1}) - z_0} \frac{h(s_{j-1}, t_{k-1}) - z_0}{h(s_{j-1}, t_k) - z_0} = \frac{h(s_j, t_k) - z_0}{h(s_{j-1}, t_k) - z_0} \frac{h(s_{j-1}, t_{k-1}) - z_0}{h(s_j, t_{k-1}) - z_0}, \quad (2.63)$$

we obtain:

$$\begin{aligned} & \arg \frac{h(s_j, t_k) - z_0}{h(s_j, t_{k-1}) - z_0} - \arg \frac{h(s_{j-1}, t_k) - z_0}{h(s_{j-1}, t_{k-1}) - z_0} \\ & \equiv \arg \frac{h(s_j, t_k) - z_0}{h(s_{j-1}, t_k) - z_0} - \arg \frac{h(s_j, t_{k-1}) - z_0}{h(s_{j-1}, t_{k-1}) - z_0} \pmod{2\pi}. \end{aligned} \quad (2.64)$$

Since each argument is in  $(-\frac{\pi}{2}, \frac{\pi}{2})$ , we conclude:

$$\begin{aligned} & \arg \frac{h(s_j, t_k) - z_0}{h(s_j, t_{k-1}) - z_0} - \arg \frac{h(s_{j-1}, t_k) - z_0}{h(s_{j-1}, t_{k-1}) - z_0} \\ &= \arg \frac{h(s_j, t_k) - z_0}{h(s_{j-1}, t_k) - z_0} - \arg \frac{h(s_j, t_{k-1}) - z_0}{h(s_{j-1}, t_{k-1}) - z_0}. \end{aligned} \quad (2.65)$$

Hence,  $n(h(s_j, -), z_0) = n(h(s_{j-1}, -), z_0)$ :

$$\begin{aligned} & 2\pi n(h(s_j, -), z_0) - 2\pi n(h(s_{j-1}, -), z_0) \\ &= \sum_{k=1}^n \arg \frac{h(s_j, t_k) - z_0}{h(s_j, t_{k-1}) - z_0} - \sum_{k=1}^n \arg \frac{h(s_{j-1}, t_k) - z_0}{h(s_{j-1}, t_{k-1}) - z_0} \\ &= \sum_{k=1}^n \arg \frac{h(s_j, t_k) - z_0}{h(s_{j-1}, t_k) - z_0} - \sum_{k=1}^n \arg \frac{h(s_j, t_{k-1}) - z_0}{h(s_{j-1}, t_{k-1}) - z_0} \\ &= \arg \frac{h(s_j, t_n) - z_0}{h(s_{j-1}, t_n) - z_0} - \arg \frac{h(s_j, t_0) - z_0}{h(s_{j-1}, t_0) - z_0} \\ &= 0. \end{aligned} \quad (2.66)$$

Since  $j$  is arbitrary, we conclude  $n(h(s_0, -), z_0) = \dots = n(h(s_m, -), z_0)$ .  $\blacksquare$

*Remark 11.* The continuous map  $h$  is called a homotopy of  $\gamma_0$  to  $\gamma_1$ . The homotopy  $h$  represents, intuitively speaking, a continuous deformation of  $\gamma_0$  into  $\gamma_1$ . This theorem shows that the winding number is homotopy invariant.

## 2.3 Boundary-Preserving Maps on Unit Disc

Consider  $\overline{D} = \overline{B_1(0)} = \{z \in \mathbb{C} \mid |z| \leq 1\}$ , its boundary:

$$\partial D = \{z \in \mathbb{C} \mid |z| = 1\} \quad (2.67)$$

and the corresponding closed curve  $\gamma_0 \in C^0(I, \partial D)$ :

$$\gamma_0 t := \exp(2\pi\sqrt{-1}t), \quad (2.68)$$

where  $I := [0, 1]$ .

**Theorem 2.3.1.** *Let  $f \in C^0(\overline{D}, \overline{D})$  such that  $f\partial D \subset \partial D$ . If  $n(f\gamma_0, -)|_D \neq 0$ , then  $D \subset fD$ .*

*Proof.* Suppose  $n(f\gamma_0, -)|_D \neq 0$  but, for contradiction,  $D \not\subset fD$ . Then, we may select  $z_0$  in  $D - fD$ , and  $n(f\gamma_0, z_0) \neq 0$ . If we define  $\gamma_1 = 1$  of a constant curve and

$$h(s, t) := (1-s)\gamma_0 t + s, \quad (2.69)$$

we obtain  $h \in C^0([0, 1] \times [0, 1], \mathbb{C})$  such that

$$h(0, -) = \gamma_0, h(1, -) = \gamma_1, h(-, 0) = 1 = h(-, 1). \quad (2.70)$$

Since  $f\partial D \subset \partial D$  and  $z_0 \in D - fD \subset D = \overline{D} - \partial D \subset \overline{D} - f\partial D$ ,

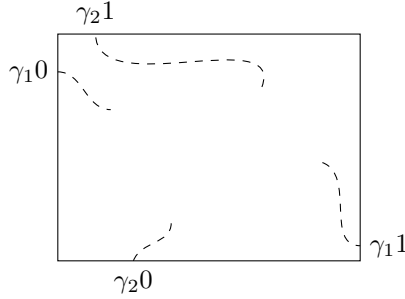
$$z_0 \notin f\partial D. \quad (2.71)$$

Hence,  $z_0 \notin fD \cup f\partial D$ , i.e.,

$$z_0 \notin f\overline{D}. \quad (2.72)$$

Recalling  $[h] = \overline{D}$ , we conclude  $z_0 \notin [f\gamma_0]$ . Applying Theorem 2.2.3,  $n(f\gamma_0, z_0) = n(f\gamma_1, z_0) = 0$ , which is absurd. ■

**Theorem 2.3.2.** *Let  $R = R(a, b; c, d) := \{z \in \mathbb{C} \mid a \leq \Im z \leq b \wedge c \leq \Re z \leq d\}$  be a closed rectangle,  $\gamma_1, \gamma_2 \in C^0(I, R)$  be curves in  $R$  such that  $\Re(\gamma_1 0) = a, \Re(\gamma_1 1) = b, \Im(\gamma_2 0) = c, \Im(\gamma_2 1) = d$ , where  $I := [0, 1]$ . Then there exist  $s, t \in I$  such that  $\gamma_1 s = \gamma_2 t$ . In other words, a curve connecting the left and right edges meets another curve connecting the top and bottom edges.*



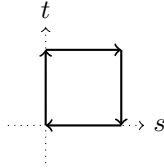
*Proof.* Suppose, for contradiction, that such a pair of curves never meet, i.e.,  $\gamma_1 s \neq \gamma_2 t$  for any  $s, t \in [0, 1]$ . Then, we can define

$$f(s, t) := \frac{\gamma_2 t - \gamma_1 s}{|\gamma_2 t - \gamma_1 s|}. \quad (2.73)$$

Moreover,  $f \in C^0(I^2, \overline{D})$  and, since  $|f(s, t)| = 1$  for each  $(s, t) \in I^2$ :

$$[f] \subset \partial D. \quad (2.74)$$

Since  $fD \subset [f]$  is in  $\partial D = \overline{D} - D$ , we have  $D \not\subset fD$ . Consider a closed path  $L$  in  $I^2$ :



- $[(0, 0), (0, 1)]$

Relative to  $\gamma_1 0$ , the argument of  $\gamma_2 - \gamma_1 0: I \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$  moves from  $\arg(\gamma_2 0 - \gamma_1 0) \in [-\frac{\pi}{2}, 0]$  to  $\arg(\gamma_2 1 - \gamma_1 0) \in [0, \frac{\pi}{2}]$ , where

$$\arg: (\mathbb{C} - \mathbb{R}_{\leq 0}) \rightarrow (-\pi, \pi) \quad (2.75)$$



see Definition 2.2.1.

- $[(0, 1), (1, 1)]$

The argument of  $\gamma_2 1 - \gamma_1 -$ :  $I \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$  moves from  $\arg(\gamma_2 1 - \gamma_1 0) \in [0, \frac{\pi}{2}]$  to  $\arg(\gamma_2 1 - \gamma_1 1) \in [\frac{\pi}{2}, \pi]$ , where

$$\arg: (\mathbb{C} - \sqrt{-1}\mathbb{R}_{\leq 0}) \rightarrow \left(-\frac{\pi}{2}, \frac{3}{2}\pi\right) \quad (2.76)$$

with  $\sqrt{-1}\mathbb{R}_{\leq 0} := \{\sqrt{-1}t \mid t \leq 0\}$  so that the argument single-valued and continuous in the corresponding domain.

- $[(1, 1), (1, 0)]$

The argument of  $\gamma_2 - \gamma_1 1$ :  $I \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$  moves from  $\arg(\gamma_2 1 - \gamma_1 1) \in [\frac{\pi}{2}, \pi]$  to  $\arg(\gamma_2 1 - \gamma_1 0) \in [\pi, \frac{3}{2}\pi]$ , where

$$\arg: (\mathbb{C} - \mathbb{R}_{\geq 0}) \rightarrow (0, 2\pi). \quad (2.77)$$

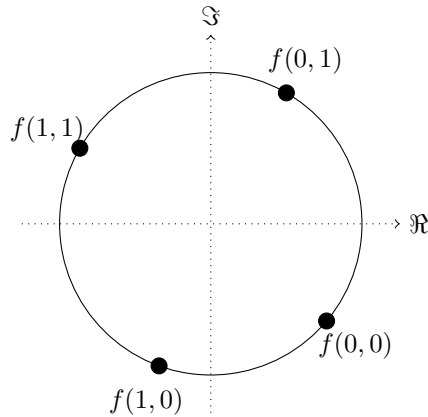
- $[(1, 0), (0, 0)]$

The argument of  $\gamma_2 0 - \gamma_1 -$ :  $I \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$  moves from  $\arg(\gamma_2 1 - \gamma_1 0) \in [\pi, \frac{3\pi}{2}]$  to  $\arg(\gamma_2 0 - \gamma_1 0) \in [\frac{3\pi}{2}, 2\pi]$ , where, with  $\sqrt{-1}\mathbb{R}_{\geq 0} := \{\sqrt{-1}t \mid t \geq 0\}$ ,

$$\arg: (\mathbb{C} - \sqrt{-1}\mathbb{R}_{\geq 0}) \rightarrow \left(\frac{\pi}{2}, \frac{5}{2}\pi\right). \quad (2.78)$$

Let  $\gamma_L: [0, 4] \rightarrow L$  be a curve along with  $L \subset I^2$ :

$$\gamma_L u := \begin{cases} (0, u) & u \in [0, 1] \\ (u - 1, 1) & u \in [1, 2] \\ (1, 3 - u) & u \in [2, 3] \\ (4 - u, 0) & u \in [3, 4] \end{cases} \quad (2.79)$$



Then  $f$  circles around the origin once, namely  $n(f\gamma_L, 0) = 1$ ; by Theorem 2.3.1, it follows  $D \subset fD$ , which is absurd.  $\blacksquare$

## 2.4 Jordan Curve Theorem

We will closely follow [Yan] to show Jordan curve theorem.

**Lemma 2.4.1.** *Let  $F \subset \mathbb{C}$  be a closed subspace and  $V \subset \mathbb{C} - F$  be a connected component. Then  $\partial V \subset F$ .*

*Proof.* We will first show that a connected component  $V \subset \mathbb{C} - F$  is open in  $\mathbb{C}$ . Let  $x \in V$ ; since  $x \in \mathbb{C} - F$  and  $\mathbb{C} - F \subset \mathbb{C}$  is open, there exists  $\epsilon > 0$  with  $B_\epsilon(x) \subset \mathbb{C} - F$ . As shown in Theorem 2.1.6, the open ball  $B_\epsilon(x)$  is connected, and  $V$  is a connected component with  $V \cap B_\epsilon(x) \neq \emptyset$ . Since  $V \subset V \cup B_\epsilon(x)$ , the  $\subset$ -largest property, see Definition 1.2.9, implies  $B_\epsilon(x) \subset V$ . By Lemma 1.2.2,  $V \subset \mathbb{C}$  is open.

Let  $W \subset \mathbb{C} - F$  be another connected component; as shown above,  $W \subset \mathbb{C}$  is open. By Theorem 1.2.13,  $W \cap V = \emptyset$ . We will show  $\partial V \cap W = \emptyset$ . Let  $x \in W$ ; since  $W \subset \mathbb{C}$  is open, there is  $\epsilon > 0$  with  $B_\epsilon(x) \subset W$ . If  $x$  were also in  $\partial V$ , by Lemma 1.2.3,  $B_\epsilon(x) \cap V \neq \emptyset$  but  $B_\epsilon(x) \cap V \subset W \cap V = \emptyset$ , which is absurd.

Since  $V \subset \mathbb{C}$  is open, we obtain:

$$\partial V = \bar{V} - V. \quad (2.80)$$

Hence,  $\partial V \cap V = \emptyset$ . Moreover, for each connected component  $W$  of  $\mathbb{C} - F$ ,  $\partial V \cap W = \emptyset$ :

$$\emptyset = \partial V \cap \bigcup \{W \mid W \subset \mathbb{C} - F \text{ is a connected component}\} = \partial V \cap (\mathbb{C} - F) \quad (2.81)$$

Therefore,  $\partial V \subset F$  holds. ■

**Theorem 2.4.1.** *Let  $\gamma \in C^0([0, 1], \mathbb{C})$  be a simple curve:*

$$\gamma s = \gamma t \Rightarrow s = t \quad (2.82)$$

*i.e., a curve with no self-intersection. Then, the complement  $\neg[\gamma] = \mathbb{C} - [\gamma]$  is a domain.*

*Proof.* The continuous image  $[\gamma] = \gamma[0, 1]$  of a compact interval  $[0, 1]$  is compact by Theorem 2.1.5; by Theorem 2.1.3,  $[\gamma] \subset \mathbb{C}$  is closed. Hence,  $\neg[\gamma]$  is open.

Suppose, for contradiction, that  $\neg[\gamma]$  is not connected. Then  $\neg[\gamma]$  has at least two connected components. Since  $[\gamma]$  is bounded, at least one connected component  $V_\infty$  is unbounded; let  $V$  be another connected component of  $\neg[\gamma]$ . Recalling  $[\gamma] \subset \mathbb{C}$  is bounded, let  $R > 0$  such that  $[\gamma] \subset B_R(0)$ ; let  $\gamma_R \theta = R \exp \sqrt{-1}\theta$  be the corresponding closed curve on  $\partial B_R(0) = \{z \in \mathbb{C} \mid |z| = R\}$ . As shown in Theorem 2.1.6,  $\mathbb{C} - B_R(0)$  is connected but  $[\gamma] \cap (\mathbb{C} - B_R(0)) = \emptyset$ . Hence  $\mathbb{C} - B_R(0) \subset V_\infty$ , since  $\mathbb{C} - B_R(0)$  is unbounded. It follows:

$$B_R(0) \supset \neg V_\infty \supset V. \quad (2.83)$$

Since  $\gamma$  is injective, the corestriction  $\gamma : [0, 1] \rightarrow [\gamma]$  is bijective; by Theorem 1.2.6,  $\gamma \in C^0([0, 1], [\gamma])$  is a continuous bijection. Applying Theorem 1.2.17, the inverse is also continuous:

$$\gamma^{-1} \in C^0([\gamma], [0, 1]). \quad (2.84)$$

By Lemma 1.2.1,  $[\gamma] \subset \overline{B_R(0)}$  is a closed subspace. Hence,  $\gamma^{-1}$  has a continuous extension  $\varphi$  on  $\overline{B_R(0)} \supset [\gamma]$  by Lemma 1.3.4:

$$\varphi \in C^0(\overline{B_R(0)}, [0, 1]) \quad (2.85)$$

such that  $\varphi|_{[\gamma]} = \gamma^{-1}$ . Consider the composition  $\gamma\varphi: \overline{B_R(0)} \rightarrow [\gamma]$ . Since both are continuous,  $\gamma\varphi \in C^0(\overline{B_R(0)}, [\gamma])$ . Moreover, the restriction  $\gamma \circ \varphi|_{[\gamma]}$  is an identity on  $[\gamma]$ . Define  $f: \overline{B_R(0)} \rightarrow \overline{B_R(0)}$ :

$$fz := \begin{cases} z & z \in \overline{B_R(0)} - V \\ \gamma\varphi z & z \in V \end{cases} \quad (2.86)$$

By definition, both  $f|_{\overline{B_R(0)}-V}$  and  $f|_V$  are both continuous; recalling  $V$  is open,  $f|_{\partial V = \overline{V}-V}$  is identity, so is continuous. Therefore,  $f \in C^0(\overline{B_R(0)}, \overline{B_R(0)})$ . Since  $f|_{\partial B_R(0)}$  is identity, we obtain:

$$f\partial B_R(0) \subset \partial B_R(0). \quad (2.87)$$

Then, for the curve on  $\partial B_R(0)$   $\gamma_R\theta = R \exp \sqrt{-1}\theta$ ,  $\theta \in [0, 2\pi]$  and  $z \in B_R(0)$ , we obtain  $n(f\gamma_R, z) = 1$  since  $f\gamma_R$  circles around  $z$  once:

$$f\gamma_R\theta = f(R \exp \sqrt{-1}\theta) = R \exp \sqrt{-1}\theta. \quad (2.88)$$

By Theorem 2.3.1, we obtain  $B_R(0) \subset fB_R(0)$ . Consider the image of  $B_R(0)$  over  $f$ :

$$fB_R(0) \subset (\overline{B_R(0)} - V) \cup \gamma\varphi V \subset (\overline{B_R(0)} - V) \cup [\gamma]. \quad (2.89)$$

Recalling  $V \subset B_R(0)$ , any point in  $V$  is not in the image of  $f$ , namely  $V \not\subset fB_R(0)$ . Therefore, we have

$$B_R(0) \not\subset fB_R(0), \quad (2.90)$$

which is absurd. ■

**Definition 2.4.1** (Jordan Curves). A curve  $\gamma \in C^0([0, 1], \mathbb{C})$  is called a Jordan curve iff it is closed,  $\gamma 0 = \gamma 1$ , and the restriction  $\gamma|_{[0, 1]}$  is a simple curve:

$$\forall s, t \in [0, 1] : \gamma s = \gamma t \Rightarrow s = t. \quad (2.91)$$

**Lemma 2.4.2.** Let  $\gamma \in C^0([0, 1], \mathbb{C})$  be a Jordan curve. If  $\neg[\gamma] = \mathbb{C} - [\gamma]$  is not connected, the boundary of each connected component of  $\neg[\gamma]$  is  $[\gamma]$ .

*Proof.* Since  $[\gamma] \subset \mathbb{C}$  is compact – bounded and closed – at least one connected component of  $\neg[\gamma]$  is unbounded. Let  $V_\infty$  be an unbounded connected component of  $\neg[\gamma]$ . If  $R > 0$  is sufficiently large such that  $[\gamma] \subset B_R(0)$ , since  $\mathbb{C} - B_R(0)$  is unbounded:

$$\mathbb{C} - B_R(0) \subset V_\infty. \quad (2.92)$$

The  $\subset$ -largest property implies such an unbounded component is unique.

Since  $\neg[\gamma]$  is disconnected, there is at least one bounded connected component, say  $V$ . By Lemma 2.4.1,  $\partial V_\infty \subset [\gamma]$  and  $\partial V \subset [\gamma]$ . To show these inclusions are equalities, suppose for contradiction that  $\partial V \subsetneq [\gamma]$ . Shifting the parameter, we may set

$$\gamma 0 = \gamma 1 \in [\gamma] - \partial V. \quad (2.93)$$

Then, there are  $0 < a < b < 1$  such that:

$$\gamma[a, b] \supset \partial V. \quad (2.94)$$

Since  $\gamma|_{[a, b]}$  is a simple curve,  $\mathbb{C} - \gamma[a, b]$  is connected by Theorem 2.4.1. By Corollary 2.1.8.1 in Theorem 2.1.8,  $\mathbb{C} - \gamma[a, b]$  is path-connected. Hence, for  $z \in V$  and  $z_\infty \in V_\infty$ , there is a curve in  $\mathbb{C} - \gamma[a, b] \subset \mathbb{C} - \partial V$ . Since  $\partial V \cap V = \emptyset = \partial V \cap V_\infty$ :

$$V \cup V_\infty \subset \mathbb{C} - \partial V \quad (2.95)$$

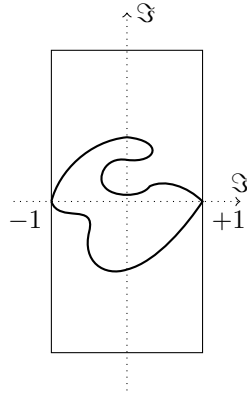
It follows  $V \cup V_\infty$  is path-connected, and hence connected, which is absurd. ■

**Theorem 2.4.2** (Jordan Curve Theorem). *Let  $\gamma$  be a Jordan curve in  $\mathbb{C}$ . The open subspace  $\neg[\gamma] = \mathbb{C} - [\gamma]$  has exactly two connected components, one is unbounded and the other is bounded. If we let  $V$  be the bounded connected component and  $V_\infty$  be the unbounded connected component of  $\neg[\gamma]$ ,  $\partial V = [\gamma] = \partial V_\infty$  is the case.*

*Proof.* Since  $[\gamma]$  is a compact subspace in  $\mathbb{C}$ , by Corollary 2.1.4.1, there are  $z_1, z_2 \in [\gamma]$  such that

$$\delta[\gamma] := \sup_{\zeta_1, \zeta_2 \in [\gamma]} |\zeta_1 - \zeta_2| = |z_1 - z_2|. \quad (2.96)$$

Shifting and rotating the curve, we may set  $z_1 = -1$  and  $z_2 = +1$ :



Since the diameter of  $[\gamma]$  is now 2, from  $-1$  to  $+1$ ,

$$[\gamma] \subset E := \{z \in \mathbb{C} \mid |\Im z| \leq 2 \wedge |\Re z| \leq 1\} \quad (2.98)$$

with

$$[\gamma] \cap \partial E = \{-1, +1\}, \quad (2.99)$$

otherwise, the diameter would be greater than 2. By Theorem 2.3.2,  $\gamma$  and  $[-2\sqrt{-1}, 2\sqrt{-1}]$  meet:

$$[\gamma] \cap [-2\sqrt{-1}, 2\sqrt{-1}] \neq \emptyset. \quad (2.100)$$

Since  $[\gamma]$  is compact and  $[-2\sqrt{-1}, 2\sqrt{-1}] \subset \mathbb{C}$  is closed, by Theorem 1.2.15,  $[\gamma] \cap [-2\sqrt{-1}, 2\sqrt{-1}]$  is compact. Since  $\Im: \mathbb{C} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  is a projection, by Theorem 1.2.18,  $\Im$  is continuous; applying Theorem 2.1.4,  $\Im([\gamma] \cap [-2\sqrt{-1}, 2\sqrt{-1}])$  has extreme values:

$$l := \max \Im([\gamma] \cap [-2\sqrt{-1}, 2\sqrt{-1}]). \quad (2.101)$$

Then  $[2\sqrt{-1}, l\sqrt{-1}] \cap [\gamma] = \emptyset$ . Since  $\pm 1$  subdivide  $\gamma$  into two simple curves between  $\pm 1$ , we let  $\gamma_+$  be the one that  $l\sqrt{-1}$  belongs to:

$$l\sqrt{-1} \in [\gamma_+]. \quad (2.102)$$

Define

$$m := \min \Im([\gamma_+] \cap [-2\sqrt{-1}, 2\sqrt{-1}]). \quad (2.103)$$

It is worth mentioning  $l \geq m$ . Then  $(m\sqrt{-1}, -2\sqrt{-1}) \cap [\gamma_+] = \emptyset$ . Let

$$[l\sqrt{-1}, m\sqrt{-1}]_{\gamma_+} \subset [\gamma_+] \quad (2.104)$$

denote the curve segment in  $\gamma_+$  from  $l\sqrt{-1}$  to  $m\sqrt{-1}$ .

We will show  $[\gamma_-] \cap (m\sqrt{-1}, -2\sqrt{-1}) \neq \emptyset$ . Consider a curve between  $\pm 2\sqrt{-1}$ :

$$[2\sqrt{-1}, l\sqrt{-1}] \diamond [l\sqrt{-1}, m\sqrt{-1}]_{\gamma_+} \diamond [m\sqrt{-1}, -2\sqrt{-1}], \quad (2.105)$$

where  $\diamond$  stands for the concatenation of two curves. By Theorem 2.3.2, such a curve between  $\pm 2\sqrt{-1}$  and  $\gamma_-$  between  $\pm 1$  must meet. Since  $[\gamma_-] \subset [\gamma]$  does not meet  $[2\sqrt{-1}, l\sqrt{-1}]$ , and  $l\sqrt{-1} \in [\gamma_+]$ , we conclude:

$$[\gamma_-] \cap [2\sqrt{-1}, l\sqrt{-1}] = \emptyset. \quad (2.106)$$

Moreover,  $[l\sqrt{-1}, m\sqrt{-1}]_{\gamma_+} \subset [\gamma_+]$ , and  $m\sqrt{-1} \in [\gamma_+]$ . Hence,  $(m\sqrt{-1}, -2\sqrt{-1})$  must meet  $[\gamma_-]$ :

$$[\gamma_-] \cap (m\sqrt{-1}, -2\sqrt{-1}) \neq \emptyset. \quad (2.107)$$

Since the intersection  $[\gamma_-] \cap [m\sqrt{-1}, -2\sqrt{-1}]$  is non-empty and compact:

$$\begin{aligned} p &:= \max \Im([\gamma_-] \cap [m\sqrt{-1}, -2\sqrt{-1}]) \\ q &:= \min \Im([\gamma_-] \cap [m\sqrt{-1}, -2\sqrt{-1}]) \end{aligned} \quad (2.108)$$

By definition,  $m \geq p$  but  $[\gamma_+] \cap [\gamma_-] = \{\pm 1\}$  but the intersection is on the imaginary axis, we have  $m \neq p$ :

$$m > p. \quad (2.109)$$

Hence  $(m\sqrt{-1}, p\sqrt{-1}) \cap [\gamma] = \emptyset$ . In particular,

$$z_0 := \frac{m\sqrt{-1} + p\sqrt{-1}}{2} \notin [\gamma]. \quad (2.110)$$

Recalling  $[\gamma]$  is compact, its complement  $\neg[\gamma]$  should have an unbounded connected component; let  $V_\infty$  be such an unbounded component of  $\neg[\gamma]$ . Let  $R > 0$  be sufficiently large  $[\gamma] \subset B_R(0)$ . Since  $\mathbb{C} - B_R(0) \subset \neg[\gamma]$  is connected, see Theorem 2.1.6 and unbounded, we obtain:

$$\mathbb{C} - B_R(0) \subset V_\infty. \quad (2.111)$$

The  $\subset$ -largest property of  $V_\infty$  implies such an unbounded component of  $\neg[\gamma]$  is unique. Then  $z_0 \in E^\iota$ , since  $\Re z_0 = 0$  and

$$\Im z_0 = \frac{m+p}{2} < m \in [-2, 2]. \quad (2.112)$$

We will show that the connected component of  $\neg[\gamma]$  around  $z_0$  is not  $V_\infty$ . Suppose, for contradiction, that  $z_0$  is in  $V_\infty$ . Since  $V_\infty$  is connected, there is a curve in  $V_0$  from  $z_0$  to some point in  $\neg E$ , since  $\neg E \subset \neg[\gamma]$  is unbounded:

$$\alpha \in C^0(I, V_\infty), \quad (2.113)$$

where  $\alpha 0 = z_0 \in E^\iota$  and  $\alpha 1 \in \neg E$ . Define

$$t_0 := \inf \{t \in I \mid \alpha t \notin E^\iota\} \quad (2.114)$$

and  $w_0 := \alpha t_0$ . We will show  $w_0 \in E - E^\iota = \partial E$ :

- $w_0 \in E$

Let  $\epsilon > 0$  and consider  $B_\epsilon(w_0)$ . Since  $\alpha$  is continuous, its preimage  $\alpha^\leftarrow B_\epsilon(w_0) \subset I$  is open. Hence, there is  $\delta > 0$  with  $(t_0 - \delta, t_0 + \delta) \subset \alpha^\leftarrow B_\epsilon(w_0)$ :

$$\alpha(t_0 - \delta, t_0 + \delta) \subset B_\epsilon(w_0). \quad (2.115)$$

In particular  $t_0 - \frac{\delta}{2} < t_0 = \inf \{t \in I \mid \alpha t \notin E^\iota\}$ :

$$\alpha\left(t_0 - \frac{\delta}{2}\right) \neq \alpha t_0 = w_0 \quad (2.116)$$

and  $\alpha\left(t_0 - \frac{\delta}{2}\right) \in E^\iota \subset E$ . Hence, it follows  $w_0 \in \overline{E} = E$ :

$$B_\epsilon(w_0) \cap E - \{w_0\} \neq \emptyset. \quad (2.117)$$

- $w_0 \notin E^t$

Suppose, for contradiction, that  $w_0$  is an interior point of  $E$ . Then there is  $\epsilon > 0$  with  $B_\epsilon(w_0) \subset E^t$ . Then, around  $t_0$ , there is some  $\delta > 0$  with  $\alpha(t_0 - \delta, t_0 + \delta) \subset B_\epsilon(w_0)$  since  $\alpha$  is continuous. Then  $\alpha(t_0 + \frac{\delta}{2}) \in B_\epsilon(w_0) \subset E^t$  implies  $t_0 + \frac{\delta}{2} > t_0$  would be a lower bound of  $\{t \in I \mid \alpha t \notin E^t\}$ , which is absurd.

Let  $\alpha_0 := \alpha|_{[0, t_0]}$  be the curve from  $z_0$  to  $w_0 \in \partial E$ . Recalling  $w_0 \in V_\infty \subset \neg[\gamma]$ ,  $w_0 \neq \pm 1$ , hence  $\Im w_0 \neq 0$ :

- $\Im w_0 < 0$  case

We have  $[w_0, -2\sqrt{-1}]_{\partial E} \subset \partial E$ , connecting  $w_0$  and  $-2\sqrt{-1}$  along with the edge of the rectangle  $E$ , without traversing  $\pm 1$ . Then, since  $\alpha_0$  is a curve in  $V_\infty$  from  $z_0 \in E^t$  to  $w_0 \in \partial E$ :

$$[2\sqrt{-1}, l\sqrt{-1}] \diamond [l\sqrt{-1}, m\sqrt{-1}]_{\gamma_+} \diamond [m\sqrt{-1}, z_0] \diamond [\alpha_0] \diamond [w_0, -2\sqrt{-1}]_{\partial E} \quad (2.118)$$

does not meet  $\gamma_-$ , which is absurd.

- $\Im w_0 > 0$

We have  $[w_0, 2\sqrt{-1}]_{\partial E} \subset \partial E$ , connecting  $w_0$  and  $2\sqrt{-1}$  along with the edge of the rectangle  $E$ , without traversing  $\pm 1$ . Then,

$$[-2\sqrt{-1}, z_0] \diamond [\alpha_0] \diamond [w_0, 2\sqrt{-1}]_{\partial E} \quad (2.119)$$

does not meet  $\gamma_+$ , which is absurd.

Hence,  $z_0 \notin V_\infty$ . Let  $V$  be a connected component of  $\neg[\gamma]$  with  $z_0 \in V$ :

$$V \cap V_\infty. \quad (2.120)$$

Finally, we will show the unbounded connected component is unique. Suppose  $W \subset \neg[\gamma]$  is another unbounded component. Since  $\neg[\gamma] \supset \neg E$ , we obtain

$$V_\infty \supset \neg E. \quad (2.121)$$

That is, the exterior of  $E$  is in  $V_\infty$ . Hence, unbounded components are all in  $E$ :

$$V \subset E \wedge W \subset E. \quad (2.122)$$

Define a curve  $[\beta]$  between  $\pm 2\sqrt{-1}$ :

$$[2\sqrt{-1}, l\sqrt{-1}] \diamond [l\sqrt{-1}, m\sqrt{-1}]_{\gamma_+} \diamond [m\sqrt{-1}, p\sqrt{-1}] \diamond [p\sqrt{-1}, q\sqrt{-1}]_{\gamma_-} \diamond [q\sqrt{-1}, -2\sqrt{-1}]. \quad (2.123)$$

- $[2\sqrt{-1}, l\sqrt{-1}], [q\sqrt{-1}, -2\sqrt{-1}] \subset V_\infty$

Since  $[2\sqrt{-1}, l\sqrt{-1}]$  can be connected with  $3\sqrt{-1} \in \neg E \subset V_\infty$ ,  $[2\sqrt{-1}, l\sqrt{-1}] \subset V_\infty$ .

- $[l\sqrt{-1}, m\sqrt{-1}]_{\gamma_+}, [p\sqrt{-1}, q\sqrt{-1}]_{\gamma_-} \subset [\gamma]$

By the very definition, they are segments of the original curve  $\gamma$ .

- $[m\sqrt{-1}, p\sqrt{-1}] \subset V$

Since  $[m\sqrt{-1}, p\sqrt{-1}]$  contains  $z_0 \in V$ ,  $[m\sqrt{-1}, p\sqrt{-1}] \subset V$ .

Then  $[\beta] \cap W = \emptyset$ , since  $[\beta] \subset V_\infty \cup [\gamma] \cup V$ . Since  $\pm 1 \notin [\beta]$ , there are open balls  $D_\pm \in \mathcal{N}_{\pm 1}$  with  $D_\pm \cap [\beta] = \emptyset$ , choosing their diameters smaller than  $d([\beta], \pm 1)$ . Since  $\partial W = [\gamma]$  by Lemma 2.4.1, and  $\pm 1 \in [\gamma]$ ,  $\pm 1$  are limit points of  $W$ :

$$W \cap D_\pm \neq \emptyset. \quad (2.124)$$

Let  $a_\pm \in W \cap D_\pm$ ,  $c$  be a curve from  $a_-$  to  $a_+$ , and

$$[-1, a_-] \diamond [c] \diamond [a_+, 1] \quad (2.125)$$

be a curve between  $\pm 1$ . This curve in  $E$ , connecting  $\pm 1$ , does not meet  $\beta$ , which is absurd. Hence, the bounded component of  $\neg[\gamma]$  must be unique.  $\blacksquare$

**Definition 2.4.2** (Interior and Exterior of Jordan Curves). For a Jordan curve  $\gamma$  in  $\mathbb{C}$ , we call the unbounded connected component  $V_\infty$  of  $\neg[\gamma]$  the exterior of  $\gamma$ , and the bounded component  $V$  the interior of  $\gamma$ . As examined in Theorem 2.2.2, the winding number on  $V_\infty$  is zero.

**Theorem 2.4.3.** *Let  $\gamma$  be a Jordan curve in  $\mathbb{C}$ . The winding number of  $\gamma$  satisfies  $|n(\gamma, z)| = 1$  for any point  $z$  in the interior of  $\gamma$ .*

*Proof.* We will use the same notation in the proof of Theorem 2.4.2. Assume  $\gamma_+$  is a curve from  $+1$  to  $-1$ ; we will show  $n(\gamma, \cdot)|_V = +1$ , where  $V$  is the interior of  $\gamma$ . Let  $\delta_+$  be the line segments from  $-1$  to  $+1$  along  $\partial E$ :

$$[\delta_+] = [-1, -1 + 2\sqrt{-1}] \diamond [-1 + 2\sqrt{-1}, +1 + 2\sqrt{-1}] \diamond [+1 + 2\sqrt{-1}, +1] \quad (2.126)$$

Let  $\gamma_+ + \delta_+$  be the composite curve from  $+1$  to  $-1$  along  $\gamma_+$ , and from  $-1$  to  $+1$  along  $\delta_+$ . It follows that  $\gamma_+ + \delta_+$  is a Jordan curve. Since  $-3\sqrt{-1} \in \neg E$  and  $\neg E \subset V_\infty(\gamma_+ + \delta_+)$ , the presence of a line segment  $[z_0, -3\sqrt{-1}]$  implies  $z_0$  is in the exterior of  $\gamma_+ + \delta_+$ , namely  $z_0 \in V_\infty(\gamma_+ + \delta_+)$ :

$$n(\gamma_+ + \delta_+, z_0) = 0. \quad (2.127)$$

Similarly, for

$$[\delta_-] = [+1, +1 - 2\sqrt{-1}] \diamond [+1 - 2\sqrt{-1}, -1 - 2\sqrt{-1}] \diamond [-1 - 2\sqrt{-1}, -1] \quad (2.128)$$

we obtain

$$n(\gamma_- + \delta_-, z_0) = 0 \quad (2.129)$$

since  $z_0 \in V_\infty(\gamma_- + \delta_-)$ . Recalling Definition 2.2.2, we can write:

$$0 = n(\gamma_+ + \delta_+, z_0) + n(\gamma_- + \delta_-, z_0) = n(\gamma, z_0) + n(\delta_+ + \delta_-, z_0). \quad (2.130)$$



As demonstrated in the proof of Theorem 2.3.2, since  $\delta_+ + \delta_-$  cycles around  $z_0$  clockwise once:

$$n(\delta_+ + \delta_-, z_0) = -1, \tag{2.131}$$

we conclude  $n(\gamma, z_0) = +1$ . ■

*Remark 12.* We can use Theorem 2.2.3 to show this claim.

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