

Thm.: Let $\gamma : [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$ be a C^1 -curve. Then $\ell(\gamma)$ exists (i.e., γ is rectifiable), and.

$$\ell(\gamma) = \int_a^b \|\gamma'(t)\| dt$$

$\therefore C^1 \text{ curve} \Rightarrow \text{rectifiable.}$

Proof. Let $\epsilon > 0$. Set $I = \int_a^b \|\gamma'(t)\| dt$. \leftarrow Recall: it exists.

Claim: $\exists \delta > 0$ s.t. $|I - \ell(\gamma, P)| < \epsilon \quad \forall P \in \mathcal{P}[a, b] \text{ s.t. } \|P\| < \delta$.

Recall: $\left(\sum_{i=1}^m \|\gamma(t_i) - \gamma(t_{i-1})\| \right)$ if $P: a=t_0 < t_1 < \dots < t_m=b$

Back Calculation: $\ell(\gamma, P) = \sum_{i=1}^m \|\gamma(t_i) - \gamma(t_{i-1})\|$

\leftarrow A given partition of $[a, b]$, $a=t_0 < t_1 < \dots < t_m=b$.

$$= \sum_{i=1}^m \left[\sum_{j=1}^n (\gamma_j(t_i) - \gamma_j(t_{i-1}))^2 \right]^{\frac{1}{2}}$$

where $\gamma(t) = (\gamma_1(t), \dots, \gamma_n(t))$, $\gamma_j : [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$.

$\therefore \gamma \text{ is } C^1 \Rightarrow \gamma_j : [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R} \text{ is } C^1, j=1, \dots, n$.

\therefore By MVT [!! BTW: there is no vector-valued MVT !!],
 $\forall j \in \{1, \dots, n\} \quad \forall i \in \{1, \dots, m\}, \exists t_{ij} \in [t_{i-1}, t_i]$
s.t. $\gamma_j(t_i) - \gamma_j(t_{i-1}) = \gamma_j'(t_{ij}) (t_i - t_{i-1})$.

$$\therefore \ell(\gamma, P) = \sum_{i=1}^m \left[\sum_{j=1}^n \gamma_j'(t_{ij})^2 \times (t_i - t_{i-1})^2 \right]^{\frac{1}{2}}$$
$$= \sum_{i=1}^m \left[\sum_{j=1}^n \gamma_j'(\underbrace{t_{ij}}_{\text{Trouble}})^2 \right]^{\frac{1}{2}} \times (t_i - t_{i-1}). \quad \text{--- (1)}$$

Recall: Riemann sum for $f \in \mathcal{B}[a, b]$ is $S(f, P)$
 $= \sum_{i=1}^n f(\xi_i) |I_i|$
 $\forall P \in \mathcal{P}[a, b]$
 $\& \xi_i \in I_i$ is i-th tag.

Suppose, we have that: $t_{ij} = t_i^* \in [t_{i-1}, t_i] \quad \forall j=1, \dots, n$
 $\leftarrow j$ -free. $j=1, \dots, n$.
i.e., ~~the choice of~~ t_{ij} is independent of the choice

$\#$ We know, $f \in \mathcal{R}[a, b]$ of j , then:
 $\Rightarrow \lim_{\|P\| \rightarrow 0} S(f, P)$ exists. Then
 $\int_a^b f = \lim_{\|P\| \rightarrow 0} S(f, P)$.

$$\ell(\gamma, P) = \sum_{i=1}^m \left[\sum_{j=1}^n \gamma_j'(t_i^*) \right]^{\frac{1}{2}} (t_i - t_{i-1})$$
$$= \sum_{i=1}^m \|\gamma'(t_i^*)\| (t_i - t_{i-1}) = \mathcal{B}(\|\gamma'\|, P)$$

Finally: The tag set is just restricted on just $\xi_i \in [x_{i-1}, x_i]$.

The Riemann sum of $\|\gamma'\|$ for P .

$\Rightarrow l(\gamma, P) = \mathcal{S}(\|\gamma'\|, P)$, \leftarrow This would finish the proof as $\|\gamma'\| \in \mathcal{R}[a, b]$. (8)

So, we need to work on " t_{ij} " part.

Define $B^n = [a, b] \times \dots \times [a, b] = [a, b]^n \leftarrow$ a box in \mathbb{R}^n ,

$\gamma : B^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ by

$$\Gamma(t_1, \dots, t_n) = \left[\sum_{j=1}^n \gamma_j'(t_j)^2 \right]^{\frac{1}{2}}.$$

Note

$$\Gamma(t, \dots, t) = \|\gamma'(t)\|, \quad \forall t \in [a, b].$$

$\because \gamma_j \in C^1$, $\Gamma : B^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is continuous.

$\Rightarrow \Gamma$ is uniformly continuous [$\because B^n$ is compact].

\therefore For $\varepsilon > 0$, $\exists \delta > 0$ s.t.

$$|\Gamma(x) - \Gamma(y)| < \frac{\varepsilon}{2(b-a)} \quad \forall \|x - y\| < \delta_1. \quad (2)$$

Now By (1):
$$l(\gamma, P) = \sum_{i=1}^m \left[\sum_{j=1}^n \gamma_j'(t_{ij})^2 \right]^{\frac{1}{2}} (t_i - t_{i-1}).$$

\uparrow Recall: This is the trouble. (i-th part).

$$= \sum_{i=1}^m \Gamma(t_{i1}, t_{i2}, \dots, t_{in}) (t_i - t_{i-1}).$$

Here $P: a = t_0 < t_1 < \dots < t_m = b$ a partition of $[a, b]$ s.t. $\|P\| = \max_{1 \leq i \leq m} (t_i - t_{i-1}) < \delta_1$.

Moreover, $\hat{R}(\gamma, P) := \sum_{i=1}^m \|\gamma'(t_i)\| (t_i - t_{i-1})$

if $\mathcal{S}(\gamma, P) := \sum_{i=1}^m \|\gamma'(t_i)\| (t_i - t_{i-1})$, then

The Riemann Sum.

$$\mathcal{S}(\gamma, P) = \sum_{i=1}^m \Gamma(t_i, \dots, t_i) (t_i - t_{i-1}).$$

$t_i \in [t_{i-1}, t_i]$ is the tag point.

(9)

$$\therefore L(\gamma, P) - \mathcal{S}(\gamma, P) = \sum_{i=1}^n \left(\Gamma(t_{i1}, \dots, t_{in}) - \Gamma(t_i, \dots, t_i) \right) \times (t_i - t_{i-1}).$$

$$\Rightarrow |L(\gamma, P) - \mathcal{S}(\gamma, P)| \leq \sum_{i=1}^n \left| \Gamma(t_{i1}, \dots, t_{in}) - \Gamma(t_i, \dots, t_i) \right| (t_i - t_{i-1}).$$

$$\stackrel{\text{by (2)}}{\leq} \frac{\varepsilon}{2(b-a)} \times \underbrace{\sum_{i=1}^n (t_i - t_{i-1})}_{= b-a}$$

$$= \frac{\varepsilon}{2}.$$

$$\therefore |L(\gamma, P) - \mathcal{S}(\gamma, P)| < \frac{\varepsilon}{2} \quad \forall P \in \mathcal{P}[a, b] \text{ s.t. } \|P\| < \delta_1.$$

The needed estimate.

Also, as $\|\gamma'\| \in \mathcal{R}[a, b]$, $\exists \delta_2 > 0$ s.t.

$$\left| \mathcal{S}(\gamma, P) - \int_a^b \|\gamma'(t)\| dt \right| < \frac{\varepsilon}{2} \quad \forall \|P\| < \delta_2.$$

\therefore For $\delta := \min\{\delta_1, \delta_2\}$ s.t. $\forall P$ s.t. $\|P\| < \delta$, we have:

$$\left| L(\gamma, P) - \int_a^b \|\gamma'(t)\| dt \right| \leq \left| L(\gamma, P) - \mathcal{S}(\gamma, P) \right| + \left| \mathcal{S}(\gamma, P) - \int_a^b \|\gamma'(t)\| dt \right|$$

(3)

$$< \frac{\varepsilon}{2} + \frac{\varepsilon}{2} = \varepsilon.$$

$$\therefore \lim_{\|P\| \rightarrow 0} L(\gamma, P) = \int_a^b \|\gamma'(t)\| dt.$$

QED

Cor: A piecewise smooth parametrized curve $\gamma: [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$ is rectifiable.
 Moreover $L(\gamma) = \int_a^b \|\gamma'\|$. ← However, rectifiable \nRightarrow piecewise smooth
Consider: graph of the Cantor function \Leftarrow Devil's staircase.

Proof: Let ~~partition~~ $a = x_0 < x_1 < \dots < x_m = b$ be a partition of $[a, b]$
 s.t. $\gamma|_{[x_{i-1}, x_i]} : [x_{i-1}, x_i] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$ is a smooth parametrized curve, $\forall i = 1, \dots, m$.
 $\Rightarrow \gamma = \bigcup_{i=1}^m \gamma_i$ Smooth. \uparrow

Let $\varepsilon > 0$.
 $\therefore \gamma$ is uniformly continuous (\because curve \Rightarrow cont.), $\exists \delta > 0$
 $\exists \cdot \quad \|\gamma(s) - \gamma(t)\| < \frac{\varepsilon}{6m} \quad \forall |s - t| < \delta$.

Suppose $P \in \mathcal{P}[a, b]$ s.t. $\|P\|_{\text{mesh}} < \delta$.

Let $\tilde{P} \supset P$, where $\{x_i\}_{i=0}^m$ are also the nodes of \tilde{P} refinement
 \tilde{P} are $\{x_i\}_{i=0}^m \cup \{\text{nodes of } P\}$. [Clearly, $\|\tilde{P}\| < \delta$]

Then $|L(\gamma, \tilde{P}) - L(\gamma, P)| = \left| \sum_{s_i \in \lambda(\tilde{P}) \setminus \{a\}} \|\gamma(s_{i-1}) - \gamma(s_i)\| - \sum_{t_j \in \lambda(P) \setminus \{a\}} \|\gamma(t_{j-1}) - \gamma(t_j)\| \right|$
(Here $\lambda(P) = \text{nodes of } P \setminus \{a\}$
 $\lambda(\tilde{P}) = \dots \tilde{P}$)
(Note: s_i index of nodes of \tilde{P} , t_j index of nodes of P)

$\sum_{i \in \lambda(\tilde{P})} \|\gamma(s_{i-1}) - \gamma(s_i)\| + \sum_{j \in \lambda(P)} \|\gamma(t_{j-1}) - \gamma(t_j)\|$

Observe that $\lambda(\tilde{P}) = \lambda(P) \cup \{x_i\}_{i=0}^m$.

Apply ~~the~~ triangle inequality ~~in terms of~~ to $\|\gamma(s_{i-1}) - \gamma(s_i)\|$,
 if necessary, ~~we~~ we get We get [Note: $\sum_{\lambda(P)}$ has m terms & $\sum_{\lambda(\tilde{P})}$ has at most $2m$ terms. Also each term can be dominated by $\frac{\varepsilon}{6m}$.]

$|L(\gamma, \tilde{P}) - L(\gamma, P)| \leq 3m \times \left\{ \|\gamma(s) - \gamma(t)\| : s, t \in [a, b] \text{ s.t. } |s - t| < \delta \right\}$

$< 3m \times \frac{\varepsilon}{6m}$
 $= \frac{\varepsilon}{2}$

$$\Rightarrow |l(\gamma, \tilde{P}) - l(\gamma, P)| < \frac{\varepsilon}{2}. \quad \text{--- Fact 1}$$

Now, $\forall i=1, \dots, m$, $\gamma_i := \gamma|_{[x_{i-1}, x_i]} : [x_{i-1}, x_i] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$ is rectifiable.

\therefore For $\frac{\varepsilon}{2m} > 0$, $\exists \delta_i > 0$ s.t. $\forall P_i \in \mathcal{P}([x_{i-1}, x_i])$ with $\|P_i\| < \delta_i$, we have

$$\left| l(\gamma_i, P_i) - \int_{x_{i-1}}^{x_i} \|\gamma'_i\| \right| < \frac{\varepsilon}{2m}. \quad \text{--- } \textcircled{+}$$

Set $\underline{\delta} := \min\{\tilde{\delta}, \delta_1, \dots, \delta_m\}$.

Let $P \in \mathcal{P}([a, b])$ s.t. $\|P\| < \underline{\delta}$. $\left(\Rightarrow \| \tilde{P} \| < \underline{\delta}, \text{ where } \underset{\text{nodes of } \tilde{P}}{\tilde{P}} = \text{nodes of } P \cup \{x_i\}_{i=1}^m \right)$

$$\therefore \left| l(\gamma, P) - \int_a^b \|\gamma'\| \right| \leq |l(\gamma, P) - l(\gamma, \tilde{P})| + |l(\gamma, \tilde{P}) - \int_a^b \|\gamma'\||.$$

by Fact 1. $\leq \frac{\varepsilon}{2} + \left| l(\gamma, \tilde{P}) - \int_a^b \|\gamma'\| \right|$

Now $\left| l(\gamma, \tilde{P}) - \int_a^b \|\gamma'\| \right| = \left| \sum_{i=1}^m l(\gamma_i, \tilde{P}_i) - \sum_{i=1}^m \int_{x_{i-1}}^{x_i} \|\gamma'_i\| \right|$

$\tilde{P}_i \in \mathcal{P}([x_{i-1}, x_i])$
defined by $\tilde{P}_i := \tilde{P} \cap [x_{i-1}, x_i]$
 $\forall i=1, \dots, m$.

$$\leq \sum_{i=1}^m \left| l(\gamma_i, \tilde{P}_i) - \int_{x_{i-1}}^{x_i} \|\gamma'_i\| \right|$$

$$< \frac{\varepsilon}{2m} \times m \quad \left(\text{by } \textcircled{+} \right) \quad \text{As } \|\tilde{P}_i\| \leq \|\tilde{P}\| < \underline{\delta} \text{ is } \leq \delta_i \quad \forall i.$$

$$= \frac{\varepsilon}{2}.$$

$$\therefore \left| l(\gamma, P) - \int_a^b \|\gamma'\| \right| < \varepsilon \quad \forall P \in \mathcal{P}([a, b]) \text{ s.t. } \|P\| < \underline{\delta}.$$

$$\Rightarrow l(\gamma) = \int_a^b \|\gamma'\|.$$



Thm:

Remark: Recall that a parametrized curve $\gamma: [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$ is smooth, if $\gamma'(t) \neq 0 \quad \forall t$.

Clearly $\gamma(t) = (t^3, t^6)$ is non-smooth at $t = 0$.

But $\tilde{\gamma}(t) = (t, t^2)$ is smooth at $t = 0$. [$\because \tilde{\gamma}'(t) = (1, 2t) \neq (0, 0) \quad \forall t$.]

$\because \gamma'(t) = (3t^2, 6t^5)$
 $\Rightarrow \gamma'(0) = (0, 0)$.

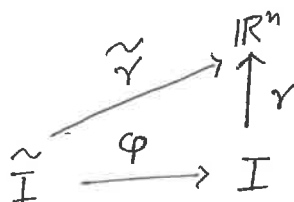
But the path of γ & the path of $\tilde{\gamma}$ are the same (i.e. the same trace/path).

\Rightarrow Smoothness is NOT an intrinsic property of the curve as just path/subset/trace. Smoothness is a local property of parametrization.

However:

Thm: Consider a smooth curve $\gamma: [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$ & a parametrization $\phi: [\tilde{a}, \tilde{b}] \rightarrow [a, b]$, smooth, then $\tilde{\gamma} = \gamma \circ \phi$ is also smooth.

A reparametrization of γ , but we are not assuming onto.



Proof:

Easy:

$$\tilde{\gamma}(s) = \gamma(\phi(s))$$

$$\Rightarrow \tilde{\gamma}' = \gamma'(\phi(s)) \cdot \phi'(s) \quad [\text{Chain rule}]$$

$\because \gamma' \& \phi'$ non-vanishing $\Rightarrow \tilde{\gamma}'$ is non-vanishing.

Eg:

For $\gamma(t) = (t^3, t^6)$ & $\tilde{\gamma}(t) = (t, t^2)$, $\phi(s) = s^{\frac{1}{3}}$. [$\Rightarrow \tilde{\gamma} = \gamma \circ \phi$]

But ϕ is not even diff. at 0.

(From \oplus)

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