

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

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

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

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

Claim:  $\exists \delta > 0$  s.t.  $|I - \underbrace{\ell(\gamma, P)}_{\sum_{i=1}^m \|\gamma(t_i) - \gamma(t_{i-1})\|} | < \varepsilon \quad \forall P \in \mathcal{P}[a, b] \text{ s.t. } \|P\| < \delta$ .

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

Back Calculation:  $\ell(\gamma, P) \xleftarrow{\text{A given partition of } [a, b], a = t_0 < t_1 < \dots < t_m = b} = \sum_{i=1}^m \|\gamma(t_i) - \gamma(t_{i-1})\| .$

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

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

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

$\therefore$  By MVT  $\boxed{\text{!! BTW: there is no vector-valued MVT !!}}$ ,  
 $\forall j \in \{1, \dots, n\} \quad \forall i \in \{1, \dots, m\}, \exists t_{ij} \in [t_{i-1}, t_i]$

s.t.  $\gamma_j(t_i) - \gamma_j(t_{i-1}) = \gamma'_j(t_{ij}) (t_i - t_{i-1})$ .

$$\therefore \ell(\gamma, P) = \sum_{i=1}^m \left[ \sum_{j=1}^n \gamma'_j(t_{ij})^2 \times (t_i - t_{i-1})^2 \right]^{\frac{1}{2}}$$

Recall: Riemann sum for  $f \in \mathcal{B}[a, b]$  is  $S(f, P) = \sum_{i=1}^n f(S_i) |I_i|$

$$= \sum_{i=1}^m \left[ \sum_{j=1}^n \gamma'_j(t_{ij})^2 \right]^{\frac{1}{2}} \times (t_i - t_{i-1}) .$$

Trouble.  $\boxed{1}$   
 $\forall P \in \mathcal{P}([a, b])$   
 $\exists g_j \in I_i$  is Suppose, we have that:  $t_{ij} = \overset{*}{t_i} \in [t_{i-1}, t_i] \quad \forall j = 1, \dots, n$   
i-th tag. 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

$$\int_a^b f = \lim_{\|P\| \rightarrow 0} S(f, P).$$

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

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

$$= \sum_{i=1}^m \|\gamma'(t_i^*)\| (t_i - t_{i-1}) = \mathbf{S}(\|\gamma'\|, P)$$

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

$$|\Gamma(x) - \Gamma(y)| < \frac{\varepsilon}{2(b-a)} \quad \text{s.t. } \|x-y\| < \delta. \quad (2)$$

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

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

Here  $P : a = t_0 < t_1 < \dots < t_m = b$  a partition

of  $[a,b]$  s.t.  $\|P\| = \max_{1 \leq i \leq n} (t_i - t_{i-1}) < \delta_1$ .

Moreover,  ~~$\hat{R}(\gamma, P) := \sum_{i=1}^m \gamma'(t_{i1}) (t_i - t_{i-1})$~~

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

The needed estimate.

Also, as  $\|\gamma'\| \in R[a, b]$ ,  $\exists s_2 > 0$  s.t.

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

$\therefore$  For  $s := \min\{\delta_1, \delta_2\}$   $\forall p \rightarrow \|p\| < s$ , we have:

$$|\ell(\gamma, p) - \int_a^b \|\gamma'(t)\| dt| \leq |\ell(\gamma, p) - \tilde{S}(\gamma, p)| + |\tilde{S}(\gamma, p) - \int_a^b \|\gamma'(t)\| dt|$$

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

$$\therefore \lim_{\|p\| \rightarrow 0} \ell(\gamma, p) = \int_a^b \|\gamma'\|.$$

□

Cor: A piecewise smooth parametrized curve  $\gamma: [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$  is rectifiable.

Moreover  $\ell(\gamma) = \int_a^b \|\gamma'\|$ . ← However, rectifiable  $\not\Rightarrow$  piecewise smooth  
Consider: graph of the Cantor function  
 $\Leftarrow$  Devil's staircase.

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

Let  $\epsilon > 0$ .

$\because \gamma$  is uniformly continuous ( $\because$  Curve  $\Rightarrow$  Cont.),  $\exists \tilde{s} > 0$   
 $\exists \delta > 0$  such that  $\|\gamma(s) - \gamma(t)\| < \frac{\epsilon}{6m}$  whenever  $|s - t| < \tilde{s}$ .

Suppose  $P \in P[a, b]$  s.t.  $\frac{\|P\|}{\text{mesh}} < \tilde{s}$ .

Let  $\tilde{P} \supset P$ , where  $\{x_i\}_{i=0}^m$  are also the nodes of refinement.

$\tilde{P}$  are  $\{x_i\}_{i=0}^m \cup \{\text{nodes of } P\}$ .

[Clearly,  $\|\tilde{P}\| < \tilde{s}$ ]

$$\text{Then } |\ell(\gamma, \tilde{P}) - \ell(\gamma, P)| = \left| \sum_{s \in \gamma(\tilde{P}) \setminus \{a\}} \|\gamma(s_{i-1}) - \gamma(s_i)\| - \sum_{t \in \gamma(P) \setminus \{a\}} \|\gamma(t_{j-1}) - \gamma(t_j)\| \right|$$

$s_i$  index of nodes of  $\tilde{P}$

$t_j$  index of nodes of  $P$ . ⊕

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

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

Apply triangle inequality to  $\|\gamma(s_{i-1}) - \gamma(s_i)\|$ , we get [Note:  $\sum$  has m terms  $\gamma(\tilde{P})$  has at most 2m terms. Also each term can be dominated by  $\frac{\epsilon}{6m}$ ].

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

$$\begin{aligned} & \leq 3m \times \frac{\epsilon}{6m} \\ & = \frac{\epsilon}{2}. \end{aligned}$$

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

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  $\frac{\varepsilon}{2m} > 0$ ,  $\exists s_i > 0$  s.t.  $\forall P_i \in \mathcal{P}([x_{i-1}, x_i])$  with  $\|P_i\| < s_i$ , we have  $\left| \ell(\gamma_i, P_i) - \int_{x_{i-1}}^{x_i} \|\gamma'_t\| \right| < \frac{\varepsilon}{2m}$ . ⊕

Set  $S := \min \{ \tilde{s}, s_1, \dots, s_m \}$ . Like the previous construction of  $\tilde{P}$ .

Let  $P \in \mathcal{P}([a, b])$   $\Rightarrow \|P\| < S$ . ( $\Rightarrow \|\tilde{P}\| < S$ , where  $\underbrace{\tilde{P}}_{\text{nodes of } P} = \underbrace{\text{nodes of } P \cup \{x_i\}_{i=1}^m}$ )

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

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

$\stackrel{\text{by fact 1.}}{\leq} \frac{\varepsilon}{2} + \left| \ell(\gamma, \tilde{P}) - \int_a^b \|\gamma'_t\| \right|$

$\stackrel{\text{defn of } \tilde{P}_i}{=} \left| \sum_{i=1}^m \ell(\gamma_i, \tilde{P}_i) - \sum_{i=1}^m \int_{x_{i-1}}^{x_i} \|\gamma'_t\| \right|$

$\stackrel{\tilde{P}_i \in \mathcal{P}([x_{i-1}, x_i])}{\leq} \sum_{i=1}^m \left| \ell(\gamma_i, \tilde{P}_i) - \int_{x_{i-1}}^{x_i} \|\gamma'_t\| \right|$

$\stackrel{\forall i=1, \dots, m.}{\leq} \sum_{i=1}^m \frac{\varepsilon}{2m} = \frac{\varepsilon}{2}$

$$\begin{aligned} &\leq \sum_{i=1}^m \left| \ell(\gamma_i, \tilde{P}_i) - \int_{x_{i-1}}^{x_i} \|\gamma'_t\| \right| \\ &\leq \frac{\varepsilon}{2m} \times m \quad (\text{by } \oplus) \quad \text{As } \|\tilde{P}_i\| \leq \|\tilde{P}\| < S. \\ &= \frac{\varepsilon}{2}. \end{aligned}$$

$$\therefore \left| \ell(\gamma, P) - \int_a^b \|\gamma'_t\| \right| < \varepsilon \quad \forall P \in \mathcal{P}([a, b])$$

s.t.  $\|P\| < S$ .

$$\Rightarrow \ell(\gamma) = \int_a^b \|\gamma'_t\|. \quad \boxed{\text{QED}}$$

Thm:

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

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

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

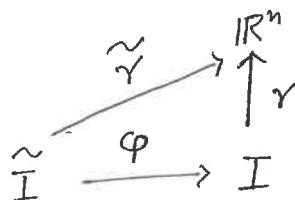
But  $\tilde{\gamma}(t) = (t, t^2)$  is smooth at  $t = 0$ . [ $\because \tilde{\gamma}'(t) = (1, 2t) \neq (0, 0) \forall t$ ]

But the path of  $\gamma$  & 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 soul property of parametrization.

However:

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

Proof:

Easy:

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

$$\Rightarrow \tilde{\gamma}' = \gamma'(\varphi(s)) \times \varphi'(s) \quad [\text{Chain rule.}]$$

$\therefore \gamma'$  &  $\varphi'$  non-vanishing  $\Rightarrow \tilde{\gamma}'$  is non-vanishing.

Eg:

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

(From  $\oplus$ ) But  $\varphi$  is not even diff. at 0.

