

# Homework #2

## Chapter 1, Sec. 3

**Ex. 1 Sketch the image under the spherical projection of the following sets on the sphere:**

**(a) the lower Hemisphere  $Z < 0$**

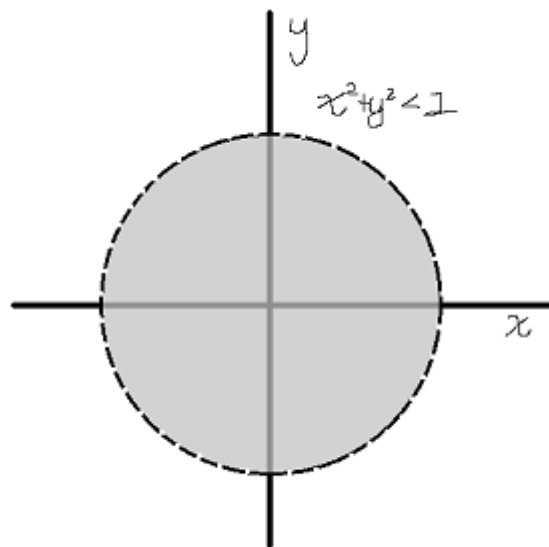
$$x = X/(1 - Z), y = Y/(1 - Z)$$

We have that  $1 - Z > 1$ , since  $Z < 0$

so  $|x| < |X|$  and  $|y| < |Y|$

and also because  $Z \neq 0$ ,  $X^2 + Y^2 < 1$

meaning,  $x^2 + y^2 < X^2 + Y^2 < 1$



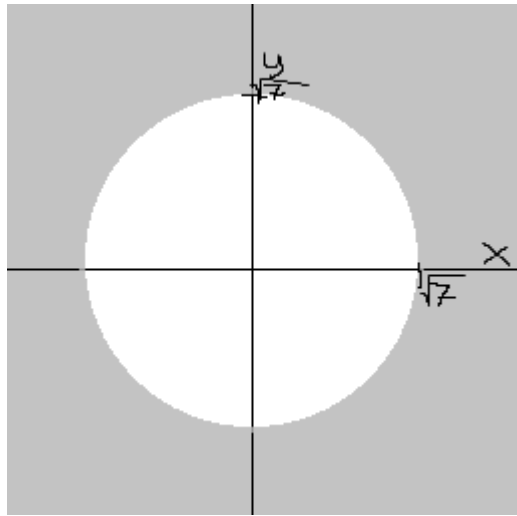
**(b) the polar cap  $\frac{3}{4} \leq Z \leq 1$**

When  $Z = \frac{3}{4}$ ,  $1 - Z = \frac{1}{4}$ , so we have:  $x = 4X$  and  $y = 4Y$

$$\text{And } 1 - Z^2 = 1 - \frac{9}{16} = \frac{7}{16}$$

$$\text{so: } x^2 + y^2 = 16(X^2 + Y^2) = 16 \times \frac{7}{16} = 7$$

The image will be the grey section.



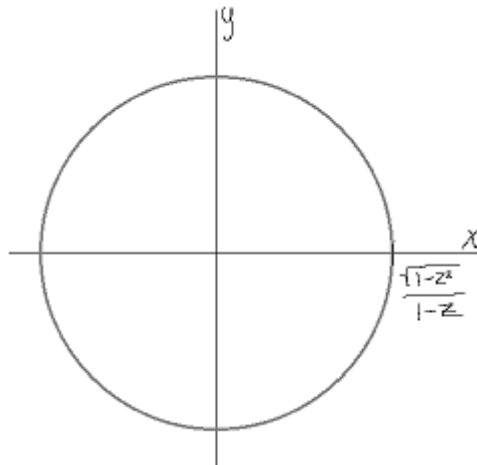
and as  $Z$  goes towards 1, the radii of the circles on the plane centered at 0 tend towards  $\infty$ , so we have that  $x^2 + y^2 \geq 7$  when  $Z \in [\frac{3}{4}, 1]$

**(c) lines of latitude**  $X = \sqrt{1 - Z^2} \cos \theta$ ,  $Y = \sqrt{1 - Z^2} \sin \theta$ , for  $Z$  fixed and  $0 \leq \theta \leq 2\pi$

so this will correspond to a circle on the plane centered at 0.

the radius will be  $= \frac{\sqrt{1-Z^2}}{1-Z}$ , since  $x = \frac{X}{1-Z} = \left(\frac{\sqrt{1-Z^2}}{1-Z}\right) \cos \theta = r \cos \theta$

So for each  $Z$ :



**(d) lines of longitude**  $X = \sqrt{1 - Z^2} \cos \theta$ ,  $Y = \sqrt{1 - Z^2} \sin \theta$ , for  $\theta$  fixed and  $-1 \leq Z \leq 1$

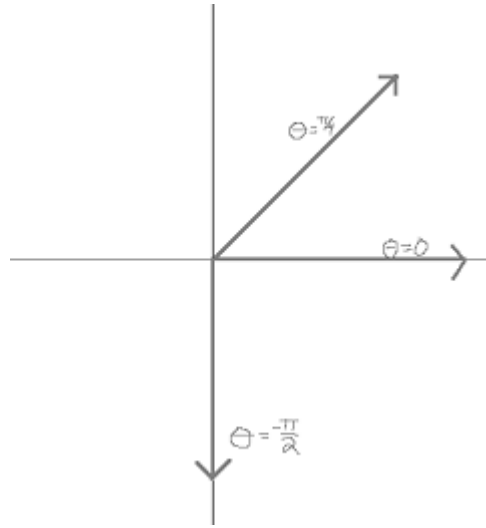
These will correspond to lines on the plane that pass through origin

and slope  $m = y/x = \tan \theta$ ,  $x = \frac{\sqrt{1-Z^2}}{1-Z} \cos \theta$ ,  $y = \frac{\sqrt{1-Z^2}}{1-Z} \sin \theta$ .

For a fixed  $\theta$ , when  $x$  is nonzero,  $x$  has the same sign as  $\cos \theta$ , because  $\sqrt{1 - Z^2} \geq 0$  and  $1 - Z \geq 0$ , and similarly for  $y$  and  $\sin \theta$

when  $Z = -1, 1$ ,  $x = y = 0$ , regardless of the value of  $\theta$ , so the origin is always included in the image.

as  $Z \rightarrow 1$ ,  $x$  and  $y$  approach either positive or negative infinity depending on  $\theta$ .



(e) the spherical cap  $A \leq X \leq 1$ , with center lying on the equator for fixed  $A$ . Separate into cases, according to various ranges of  $A$ .

$A = 1$ : We only have the point  $(1, 0, 0)$ , which means  $x = 1, y = 0$

$A = 0$ : We have the entire right half-plane.  $X \geq 0 \implies x \geq 0$

$A = -1$ : We get the whole sphere as the domain, which means the whole plane.

$A \in (0, 1)$ :

$$-\sqrt{1-A^2} \leq Y, Z \leq \sqrt{1-A^2},$$

Setting  $Y = 0$ :

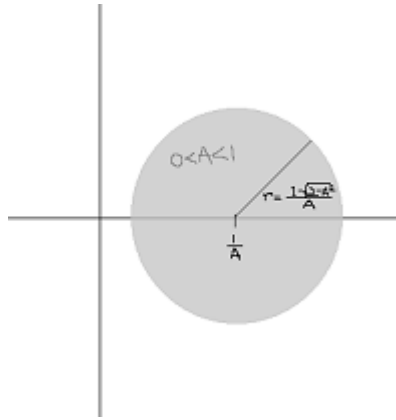
$$\frac{A}{1+\sqrt{1-A^2}} \leq x \leq \frac{A}{1-\sqrt{1-A^2}}, \text{ as } Z \text{ goes from } -\sqrt{1-A^2} \text{ to } \sqrt{1-A^2}$$

In the plane  $X = A$ , the intersection with the unit sphere is the circle in the plane centered at  $(0, 0)$  with radius  $\sqrt{1-A^2}$

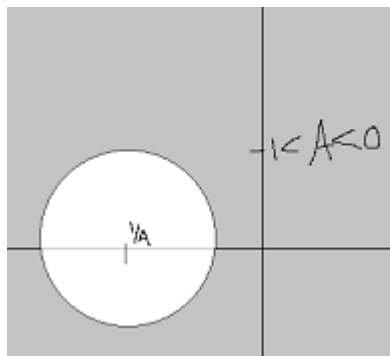
$$\text{this gives us the circle: } (x - \frac{1}{A})^2 - y^2 = \frac{1}{A^2} - 1 = \frac{1-A^2}{A^2}$$

It is centered at  $(\frac{1}{A}, 0)$  with radius  $\frac{\sqrt{1-A^2}}{A}$ .

and if we continue to look at circles that come from the intersection of the sphere with the planes of the form  $X = D$ , with  $D \in (A, 1)$ . As  $D$  increases, we get circles that are contained within the one before, each with center  $(1/D, 0)$  and radius  $\frac{\sqrt{1-D^2}}{D}$ . Our image is therefore the section within the circle centered at  $(1/A, 0)$  with radius  $\frac{\sqrt{1-A^2}}{A}$



When  $A \in (-1, 0)$ , If we looked at the spherical cap  $-1 \leq X \leq A$ , we'd get a similar situation as the one before. Since we're looking at the projection from the rest of the sphere, we'd get the image being the exterior of the circle.



**Ex. 6** We define the chordal distance  $d(z, w)$  between two points  $z, w \in \mathbb{C}^*$  to be the length of the straight line segment joining the points  $P$  and  $Q$  on the unit sphere whose stereographic projections are  $z$  and  $w$  respectively.

(a) Show that the chordal distance is a metric, that is, it is symmetric,  $d(z, w) = d(w, z)$ ; it satisfies the triangle inequality  $d(z, w) \leq d(z, \zeta) + d(\zeta, w)$ , and  $d(z, w) = 0$  if and only if  $z = w$

let  $P = (X_1, Y_1, Z_1)$  and  $Q = (X_2, Y_2, Z_2)$ , and let  $z = x_1 + iy_1$  and  $w = x_2 + iy_2$

then we have the length of the line segment  $\overline{PQ}$   
 $= \sqrt{(X_2 - X_1)^2 + (Y_2 - Y_1)^2 + (Z_2 - Z_1)^2} = \sqrt{(X_1 - X_2)^2 + (Y_1 - Y_2)^2 + (Z_1 - Z_2)^2}$  = the length of  $\overline{QP}$  so  $d(z, w) = d(w, z)$

For the Triangle Inequality: the length of the segment is the distance between the two points, where the distance is the usual metric on  $\mathbb{R}^3$ , and by the definition of a metric, the triangle inequality is satisfied. Also, if we let  $R$  be a point on the unit sphere with the stereographic projection  $\zeta$ , we could find the angles between  $\overline{PQ}$ ,  $\overline{QR}$ , and  $\overline{RP}$  by identifying the vectors, say  $u_1$  from  $P$  to  $Q$ ,  $u_2$  from  $Q$  to  $R$ , and  $u_3$  from  $P$  to  $R$ , using these vectors to find the cosine of the angle  $\theta_1$  between  $u_1$  and  $u_3$ , and  $\theta_2$  between  $-u_1$  and  $u_2$ , and use:

$$\|u_1\| = \|u_3\| \cos \theta_1 + \|u_2\| \cos \theta_2 \text{ since these angles are going to be less than } \pi, \cos \theta_1, \cos \theta_2 \in (0, 1)$$

$$d(z, w) = \|u_1\| \leq \|u_3\| + \|u_2\| = d(z, \zeta) + d(\zeta, w)$$

For  $d(z, w) = 0$ , we'd need  $X_1 - X_2 = 0, Y_1 - Y_2 = 0, Z_1 - Z_2 = 0$ , which means

$P = (X_1, Y_1, Z_1) = (X_2, Y_2, Z_2) = Q$ , which means they have the same stereographic projection  $z = w$

**(b) Show that the chordal distance from  $z$  to  $w$  is given by  $d(z, w) = \frac{2|z-w|}{\sqrt{1+|z|^2}\sqrt{1+|w|^2}}$ ,  $z, w \in \mathbb{C}$**

We rewrite  $d(z, w)$  in terms of  $x_1, y_1, x_2, y_2$  and  $|z|, |w|$

$$\sqrt{\left(\frac{2x_1}{|z|^2+1} - \frac{2x_2}{|w|^2+1}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{2y_1}{|z|^2+1} - \frac{2y_2}{|w|^2+1}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{|z|^2-1}{|z|^2+1} - \frac{|w|^2-1}{|w|^2+1}\right)^2}$$

$$\left(\frac{|z|^2-1}{|z|^2+1} - \frac{|w|^2-1}{|w|^2+1}\right)^2 = \frac{(|z|^2-1)^2}{(|z|^2+1)^2} - 2\frac{(|w|^2-1)(|z|^2-1)}{(|z|^2+1)(|w|^2+1)} + \frac{(|w|^2-1)^2}{(|w|^2+1)^2}$$

$$\left(\frac{2x_1}{|z|^2+1} - \frac{2x_2}{|w|^2+1}\right)^2 = 4\left(\frac{x_1^2}{(|z|^2+1)^2} - 2\frac{x_1x_2}{(|z|^2+1)(|w|^2+1)} + \frac{x_2^2}{(|w|^2+1)^2}\right)$$

For the part containing  $y_1, y_2$  can replace the  $x_i$ 's' with the corresponding  $y_i$ 's

And using  $|z|^2 = x_1^2 + y_1^2$ , when combining terms with denominator  $(|z|^2 + 1)^2$

When we combine  $(|z|^2 - 1)^2 + 4|z|^2 = |z|^4 - 2|z|^2 + 1 + 4|z|^2 = (|z|^2 + 1)^2$  (and similarly for  $|w| = x_2^2 + y_2^2$

Under the radical we now have:

$$2\left(\frac{-4x_1x_2 - 4y_1y_2 - (|w|^2-1)(|z|^2-1) + (|w|^2+1)(|z|^2+1)}{(|z|^2+1)(|w|^2+1)}\right) = 2\frac{-4x_1x_2 - 4y_1y_2 + 2|w|^2 + 2|z|^2}{(|z|^2+1)(|w|^2+1)} = 2\frac{2(x_1-x_2)^2 + 2(y_1-y_2)^2}{(|z|^2+1)(|w|^2+1)}$$

squaring this we get:  $2\frac{\sqrt{(x_1-x_2)^2 + (y_1-y_2)^2}}{\sqrt{1+|z|^2}\sqrt{1+|w|^2}}$  and the numerator is, by definition,  $|z - w|$

**(c) What is  $d(z, \infty)$ ?**

as  $w \rightarrow \infty$ ,

$$d(z, w) = \frac{2|z-w|}{\sqrt{1+|z|^2}\sqrt{1+|w|^2}} = \frac{2|z/w-1||w|}{\sqrt{1+|z|^2}(\sqrt{1/|w|^2+1})|w|} = \frac{2|z/w-1|}{\sqrt{1+|z|^2}\sqrt{1/|w|^2+1}} \rightarrow \frac{2|-1|}{\sqrt{1+|z|^2}} = \frac{2}{\sqrt{1+|z|^2}}$$

## Chapter 1, Sec. 5

**Ex. 4 Show that the only periods of  $e^z$  are the integral multiples of  $2\pi i$ , that is, if  $e^{z+\lambda} = e^z$  for all  $z$ , then  $\lambda$  is an integer times  $2\pi i$**

Let  $e^{z+\lambda} = e^z$

$e^{z+\lambda} = e^z e^\lambda = e^z$  (because of the addition formula property)

multiplying by  $e^{-z}$ :  $e^\lambda = 1 = \cos(2\pi k) + i \sin(2\pi k) = e^{i2\pi k}$ , where  $k$  is an integer.

multiplying by  $e^{-i2\pi k}$  we have  $e^\lambda e^{-i2\pi k} = 1$ ,

$$e^{\lambda - i2\pi k} = e^0$$

$$\lambda - i2\pi k = 0 \equiv \lambda = i2\pi k$$

## Chapter 1, Sec. 6

**Ex. 1 Find and plot  $\log z$  for the following complex numbers  $z$ . Specify the principal value.**

**(a) 2, principal value =  $\log |2|$**

$$x = \log |2|, y = 0$$

(b)  $i$ , principal value  $= 0 + i\pi/2$

$$|i| = 1$$

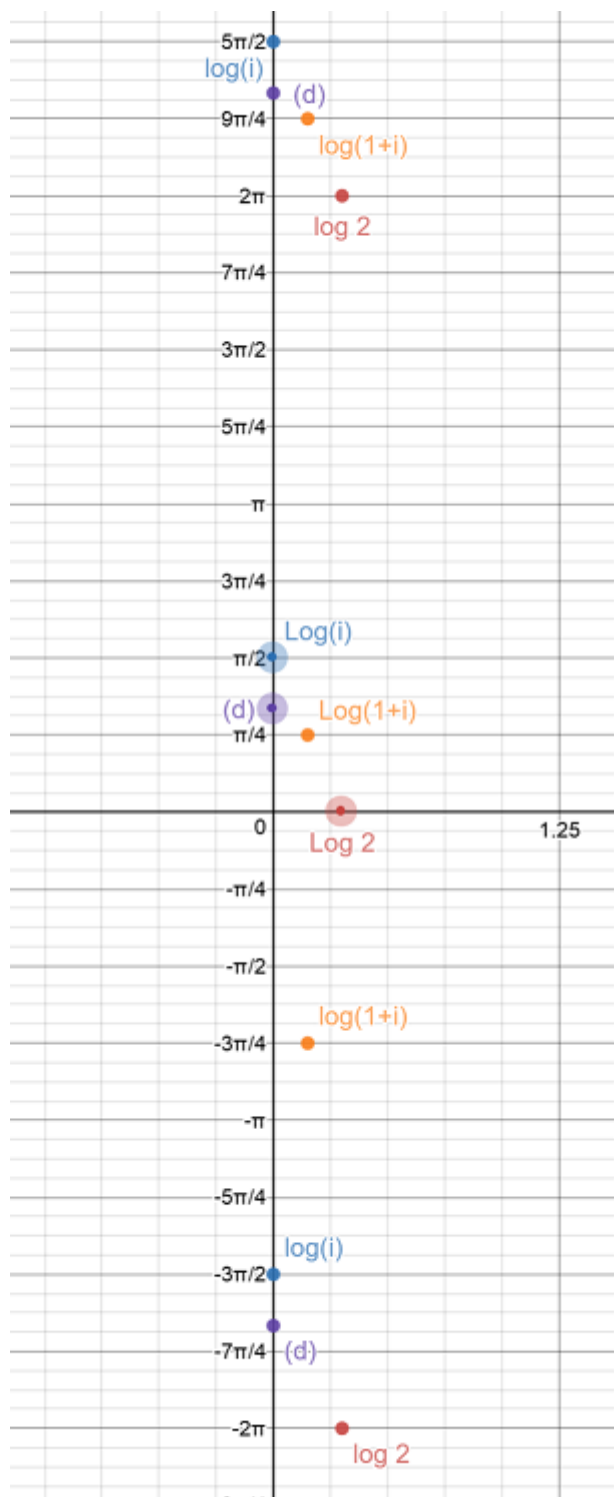
$$x = 0, y = \pi/2$$

(c)  $1 + i$ , principal value  $= \log(\sqrt{2}) + i\pi/4 = (1/2)\log(2) + i\pi/4$

$$x = \log \sqrt{2}, y = \pi/4$$

(d)  $(1 + i\sqrt{3})/2$ , principal value  $= \log(\sqrt{1/4 + 3/4} = 1) + i\pi/3$

$$x = 0, y = \pi/3$$



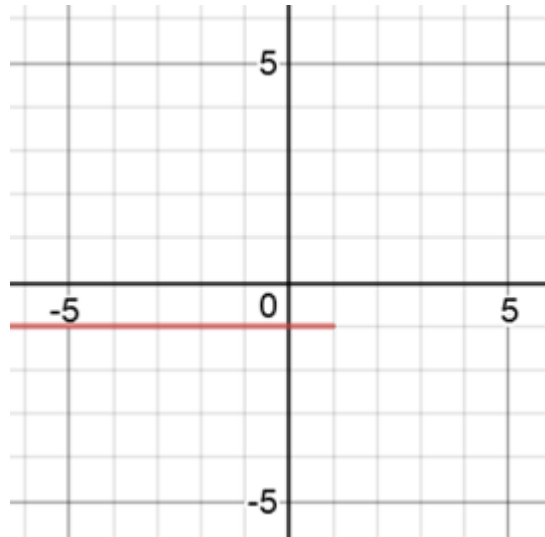
**Ex. 4** How would you make a branch cut to define a single-value branch of function  $\log(z + i - 1)$ ?  
**How about**  $\log(z - z_0)$

Each branch of  $f_m(z) = \text{Log}(z + i - 1) + 2\pi im$

We want to make a slit in the  $z$ -plane where  $z + i - 1 \in (-\infty, 0]$ , and this will allow us to define a single-value branch of the function similar to the way we define one for  $\log(z)$

so any  $z = x - i$ , where  $x \in (-\infty, 1]$

So:



Where the red line is the slit in the complex plane.

Basically, started at the point  $(1, -1)$  and drew a horizontal line towards  $-\infty$  from there.

It's like treating  $(1, -1)$  as a new origin and moving the axes over to the right by 1 and down by 1.

For example: For any point on the red line,  $(x, -1)$  the function maps this point to  $(\log(\sqrt{(x-1)^2}), \pi)$

In general, for any  $z_0$ , we start at  $z_0$  and draw a horizontal line towards  $-\infty$

## Chapter 2, Sec. 1

**Ex. 10** At what points are the following functions continuous? Justify your answer.

(a)  $z$

Let  $z_0 \in \mathbb{C}$  and let  $\epsilon > 0$

Let  $\delta = \epsilon$

then for any  $z$  s.t.  $|z - z_0| < \delta \implies |f(z) - f(z_0)| = |z - z_0| < \epsilon$

so as  $z$  approaches  $z_0$ ,  $f(z)$  approaches  $f(z_0)$ , and since  $z_0$  was an arbitrary point in  $\mathbb{C}$ ,  $z$  is continuous at any point in  $\mathbb{C}$

(b)  $z/|z|$

from (a),  $z$  is continuous everywhere.  $|z|$  is a function that maps  $\mathbb{C}$  to  $\mathbb{R}$

From triangle inequality:  $|(z - z_0) + (z_0)| = |z| \leq |z - z_0| + |z_0| \implies |z| - |z_0| \leq |z - z_0|$

so let  $z_0 \in \mathbb{C}$  and let  $\delta = \epsilon$ , then:

for any  $z$  in  $\mathbb{C}$  s.t.  $|z - z_0| < \delta \implies ||z| - |z_0|| < \delta = \epsilon$

so  $|z|$  is continuous everywhere.

However,  $z/|z|$  must have  $|z| \neq 0$  for this to be continuous, and  $|z| = 0$  when  $z = 0$

so continuous everywhere except  $z = 0$

**(c)**  $z^2/|z|$

From page 37, and (a),  $z^2$  is continuous on every point in  $\mathbb{C}$

From (b), we have that  $1/|z|$  is not continuous at  $z = 0$

so continuous everywhere except at 0.

If we were to define this function to be 0 at  $z = 0$ , then it would be continuous since the limit as  $z$  approaches 0 is 0:

for any  $\epsilon > 0$ , we have that if  $|z| < \epsilon$

Using the fact that for any 2 complex numbers,  $|zw| = |z||w|$

then  $|f(z) - 0| = \left| \frac{z^2}{|z|} \right| = \frac{|z|^2}{|z|} = |z| < \epsilon$

**(d)**  $z^2/|z|^3$

Continuous everywhere except at 0.

There is no limit as  $z \rightarrow 0$ , since  $|z^2/|z|^3| = |z|^2/|z|^3 = 1/|z| \rightarrow \infty$

**Ex. 15 Which of the following sets are open subsets of  $\mathbb{C}$ ? Which are closed? Sketch the sets.**

**(a) The punctured plane  $\mathbb{C} \setminus \{0\}$**

Let  $z = x + iy$  be a point in  $\mathbb{C}$ ,  $(x, y)$

Let  $\rho = |z| > 0$ , since  $z \neq 0$

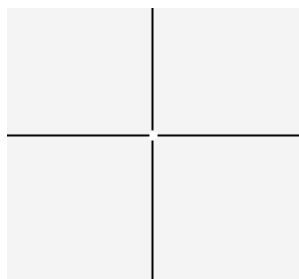
let  $w$  be a point in the open disk centered at  $z$  with radius  $\rho$

then  $|w - z| < \rho$

by triangle inequality:  $|z| \leq |z - w| + |w| \equiv |w| \geq |z| - |z - w| > 0$ , since  $|z - w| = |w - z| < \rho$

so  $w \neq 0$ , and since  $w$  was arbitrary, the disk is contained in the punctured plane.

It is open.

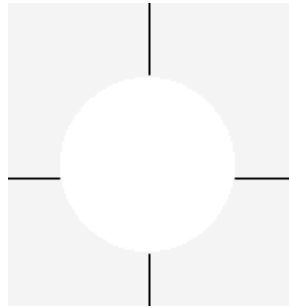


**(b) the exterior of the open unit disk in the plane,  $\{|z| \geq 1\}$**



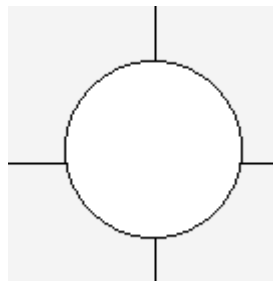
Not open, and also:

Closed, because the complement of the set is open.



**(c) the exterior of the closed unit disk in the plane,  $\{|z| > 1\}$**

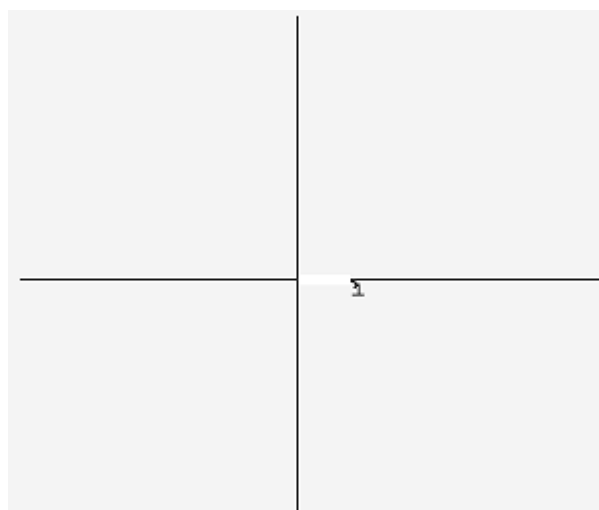
Open, you can take any point  $z$  and the open disk centered around it with radius  $|z| - 1$  is contained in the set. Also it is the complement of a closed set.



**(d) the plane with the open unit interval removed,  $\mathbb{C} \setminus (0, 1)$**

Not Open, if you take  $z = 0$  or  $z = 1$ , then any open disk with radius  $> 0$  will contain points in the open unit interval, such as  $(0, .9999999 \dots)$ . (if the radius is  $\geq 1$ , then all of the open unit interval will be contained in the disk, if the  $\rho = \text{radius}$  is  $< 1$ , then the point  $(0, 1 - \rho/2)$  is a point in the interval and in the disk.

Not closed:  $(0, 1)$  is not an open subset: let  $z = (x, 0)$  be in  $(0, 1)$ . Any disk centered at the point with radius  $\rho$  will contain the point  $(x, \rho/2)$ , which is not in the open unit interval



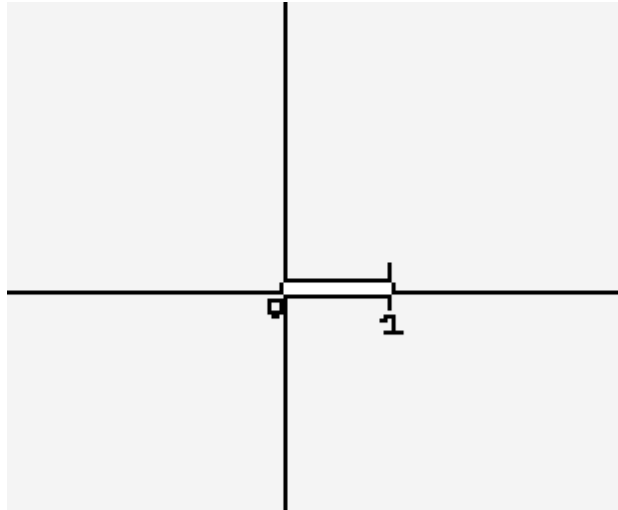
**(e) the plane with the closed unit interval removed,  $\mathbb{C} \setminus [0, 1]$**

open: let  $z \notin [0, 1]$ . there exists a point  $w \in [0, 1]$  such that for all  $w' \in [0, 1]$

$|z - w'| > |z - w|$ . In other words,  $w$  is the closest point to  $z$

We define the radius for the open disk to be  $< |z - w|$ , which is possible since  $|z - w| > 0$ , and there are infinitely many real numbers between any two real numbers, in this case:  $(0, |z - w|)$ .

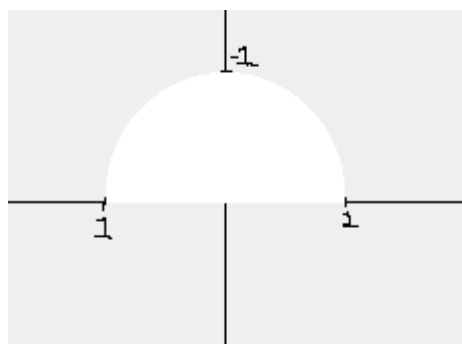
So, for every point in the set there is an open disk centered around it that is contained in the set.



**(f) the semidisk  $\{z \mid |z| < 1, \operatorname{Im}(z) \geq 0\}$**

not closed: the complement of this set contains the points on the boundary of the disk, such as  $(0, 1)$ . And any open disk centered around  $(0, 1)$  with radius  $\rho < 1$  will contain  $(0, 1 - \rho/2)$  in the semidisk, so the complement is not open, meaning this set is not closed.

not open: Let  $z$  be in the semidisk with  $x \in (-1, 1), y = 0$ . Any open disk centered on  $z$  with radius  $\rho$  will contain the point  $(x, -\rho/2)$ , which is not in the semidisk, since  $\operatorname{Im}(z) = -\rho/2 < 0$ , so there exists points where no open disk centered on them will be contained in the set.



**(g) the complex plane  $\mathbb{C}$**

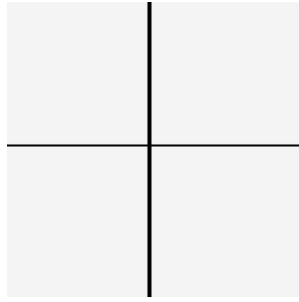
Both open and closed.

Any disk centered on any point in  $\mathbb{C}$  is in  $\mathbb{C}$ , so open.

The empty set is considered open, so  $\mathbb{C}$  is closed.

Also, there are no points in the empty set, so it does satisfy

whenever a point is in the set, there exists an open disk such that the disk is contained in the set.



**Ex. 19 Give a proof of the fundamental theorem of algebra along the following lines. Show that if  $p(z)$  is a nonconstant polynomial, then  $|p(z)|$  attains its minimum at some point  $z_0 \in \mathbb{C}$ . Assume that the minimum is attained at  $z_0 = 0$ , and that  $p(z) = 1 + az^m + \dots$ , where  $m \geq 1$  and  $a \neq 0$ . Contradict the minimality by showing that  $|P(\epsilon e^{i\theta_0})| < 1$  for an appropriate choice of  $\theta_0$**

Let  $p(z) = a_n z^n + \dots + a_1 z + a_0$ ,  $a_n \neq 0$  and  $n \geq 1$

If we were to take the limit of  $|p(z)|/|z|^n$  as  $|z| \rightarrow \infty$

We would get  $\frac{|z^n|(a_0/z^n + a_1/z^{n-1} + \dots + a_n)}{|z|^n}$  and since  $|z^n| = |z|^n$  we have

$$|(a_0/z^n + a_1/z^{n-1} + \dots + a_n)| \rightarrow |a_n| \text{ as } z \rightarrow \infty$$

So for any  $\delta > 0$

so  $\exists N > 0$  such that for  $|z| > N$ ,  $|p(z)|/|z|^n \in (|a_n| - \delta, |a_n| + \delta)$

Restricting  $\delta < |a|$ , so  $|a| - \delta > 0$ , we have for all  $|z| > N$

$$|p(z)|/|z|^n > |a_n| - \delta \equiv |p(z)| > (|a_n| - \delta)(|z|^n) > 0$$

So we know that a minimum for  $|p(z)|$  is obtained when  $|z| \leq R$ , and this minimum is at most  $(|a_n| - \delta)(|z|^n)$

Now looking at  $p(z) = 1 + az^m + \dots$  higher order terms,

Assuming  $z_0 = 0$  is when  $|p(z)|$  has its minimum,  $|p(0)| = 1 = 1$

let  $|a|e^{i\phi}$  be the polar representation of  $a \neq 0$

$$\text{Then } a\epsilon^m e^{i\phi} = |a|e^{i\phi}\epsilon^m e^{im\theta_0} = |a|\epsilon^m e^{i(\phi+m\theta_0)}$$

if we choose  $\theta_0$  such that  $\phi + m\theta_0 = \pi$ , then  $e^{i(\phi+m\theta_0)} = -1$

so we get

$$p(z) = 1 - |a|\epsilon^m + C_1\epsilon^{m+1}e^{i(m+1)\theta_0} + \dots \text{ and if we choose } \epsilon \text{ to be sufficiently small, we'll have}$$

$$|p(z)| = |1 - |a|\epsilon^m + C_1\epsilon^{m+1}e^{i(m+1)\theta_0} + \dots| < 1$$

this is because no matter how large the coefficient,  $C_i$ , for any number  $n > 0$  there always exists an  $\epsilon > 0$  s.t.  $|C_i|\epsilon < n$ .

We could for example have a condition on  $\epsilon$  to make  $|1 - |a|\epsilon^m| < 1/2$

$$\text{and } |C_1\epsilon^{m+1}e^{i(m+1)\theta_0} + \dots| < 1/2$$

so that by triangle inequality:

$$|p(z)| = |1 - |a|\epsilon^m + C_1\epsilon^{m+1}e^{i(m+1)\theta_0} + \dots| < 1/2 + 1/2 = 1$$

