

SIMPLY CONNECTED DOMAIN

DEFINITIONS

Say $f: (S, \tau_S) \longrightarrow (T, \tau_T)$ for two topological spaces

f is continuous if $\forall \text{ open } V \subseteq T, f^{-1}(V) \ni \text{open in } S$

Path-connected: $\forall \alpha, \beta \in S, \exists \gamma: [0, 1] \longrightarrow S$ continuously s.t. $\gamma(0) = \alpha, \gamma(1) = \beta$ (E.g. $\{x=0\} \cup \{y=1\}$: connected but not path connected)
any open set cannot separate

IN \mathbb{C} TOPOLOGICAL SPACE

We consider the topo space $\mathbb{C} \cong \mathbb{R}^2$

We say S is simply connected if it is:

① Path-connected (\Rightarrow connected)

② For any continuous maps $f_0: [0, 1] \longrightarrow S$ with $f_0(0) = f_1(0)$ and $f_0(1) = f_1(1)$, \exists continuous $F: [0, 1] \times [0, 1] \longrightarrow S$ s.t.
 $F(t, 0) = f_0(t), F(t, 1) = f_1(t)$ (intuitively: they are connected via shrinking a rubber band for any two pts)

Actually, $S = \mathbb{C} \cong \mathbb{R}^2$ is simply connected and a torus is not

can be seen as a disc with a hole taken out (disc裡挖出一個洞)

RECALL

f : ana on closed disc $D(0, 1)$, then $\int_{\partial D(0, 1)} f dz = 0$

\Rightarrow Torus

However, remember $\int_{\partial D(0, 1)} \frac{1}{z} dz = 2\pi i$, note that $\frac{1}{z}$: well-defined on $D(0, 1) \setminus \{0\}$

Motivation: Simply via integration, we can determine the topo nature of subsets of \mathbb{C} , equal zero or nonzero?

\hookrightarrow "Holomorphic simply connected" (= "topo simply connected")

DEFINITION

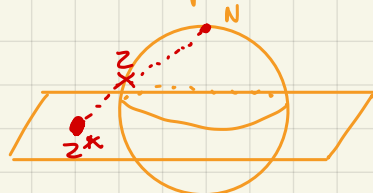
D is holomorphic simply connected (hsc) if $\forall f$: ana on $D, \int_{\Gamma} f dz = 0 \forall$ simple closed curve $\Gamma \subseteq D$

FACT: In $\mathbb{C}, \text{hsc} \Leftrightarrow \text{sc}$

DEFINITION

We say the extended \mathbb{C} -plane is $\mathbb{C} \cup \{\infty\} \cong S^2$ (sphere)
 \uparrow basically treat $\{\infty\}$ as one point, no more too as opposites, they are the same concept

∞ is the north pole in this stereographic projection



DEFINITION

If D is open connected $\subseteq \mathbb{C}$, then D is \uparrow simply connected
sc if $(\mathbb{C} \cup \{\infty\}) \setminus D$ is path connected

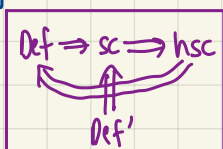
DEFINITION'

For a region $D \subseteq \mathbb{C}$, we say D is sc' if $\forall z_0 \in \mathbb{C} \setminus D, \forall \varepsilon > 0, \exists$ path $\gamma: [0, \infty) \longrightarrow \mathbb{C} \setminus D = \tilde{D}$, s.t.

① $d(\gamma, \tilde{D}) \leq \varepsilon$

② $\gamma(0) = z_0$

③ $\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \gamma(t) = \infty$



REMARK

Shun/1/1/5 (@shunfmid)

For open $D \subseteq \mathbb{C}$, D is open connected $\Leftrightarrow D$ is connected

Proof

" \Rightarrow ": Locally path connected (i.e. $\forall x \in D, \exists$ open nbd $U(x) \subseteq D$ s.t. $U(x)$: path-connected)

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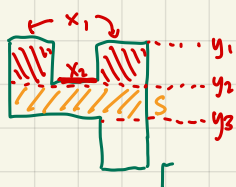
Given a polygonal path Γ (e.g. level 3: ---), we define the level of Γ $:=$ # diff values y_0 where the line $\text{Im} z = y_0$ contains a horizontal segment of Γ

LEMMA

no intersections w/ itself

Γ : simple closed curve that is also a polygonal curve, say $\Gamma \subseteq D$, where D : SC region

Suppose the top level of Γ consists of points $y=y_1, x \in X_1$ and $y=y_2, x \in X_2$. Then the set $R := \{z+iy \mid y_2 \leq y \leq y_1, x \in X_1\}$ is contained in D



Proof

Consider induction on the level of Γ .

For $\text{lev}(\Gamma) \geq 2$,

- $\text{lev}(\Gamma) = 2$: $R = \bigcup_i R_i$, R_i : closed rectangle and $\bigcup \partial R_i = \Gamma$

Let $z_0 \in R$.

Suppose $z_0 \notin R$. As D is simply connected, $\exists \gamma: [0, \infty) \rightarrow (\mathbb{C} \cup \{\infty\}) \setminus D$ s.t. $\gamma(0) = z_0$ and $\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \gamma(t) = \infty$, $t_0 := \sup \{t \mid \gamma(t) \in R\}$

(claim: $\gamma(t_0) \in \Gamma \subseteq D$ (\Rightarrow \times))

Proof

(i) $\gamma(t_0) \notin R \setminus \Gamma$: open (If no, then $\gamma(t_0) \in \Gamma$ or $\gamma(t_0) \in \mathbb{C} \setminus R$)

If yes, as $R \setminus \Gamma$: open, $\exists D(\gamma(t_0), \epsilon) \subseteq R \setminus \Gamma$, $t_0 \in \gamma^{-1}(D(\gamma(t_0), \epsilon)) \subseteq [0, \infty)$ (as $t_0 = \sup \{t \mid \gamma(t) \in R\}$) \times

(ii) $\gamma(t_0) \notin \mathbb{C} \setminus R$: Similarly, \times

$\therefore \gamma(t_0) \in \Gamma \subseteq D$ \times

- $\text{lev}(\Gamma) > 2$: Note: $U(\partial R_i)$ not necessarily equal to Γ

By the same argument as base case, $t_0 = \sup \{t \mid \gamma(t) \notin R\}$, $t_0 \in \partial R_i$ for some R_i

If $t_0 \in \Gamma$, as in the base case, \times

Def $\tilde{R} := \mathbb{C} \setminus R$, $\Gamma' := (\Gamma \cap \tilde{R}) \cup L$, where $L := \{x+iy \mid y=y_2, x \in X_1 \setminus X_2\}$

For small h , $\gamma(t_0+h)$ is between the top two levels of Γ'

As $\gamma(t_0+h) \notin D$ and $\gamma(t_0+h) \in S$, $\text{level}(\Gamma') < \text{level}(\Gamma)$

\therefore By induction, $\gamma: [t_0+h, \infty) \rightarrow \infty$ intersects $\Gamma' \setminus L$ \square
(as $\forall t > t_0, \gamma(t) \notin R$)