

$$\{e^{it} : 0 \in [0, 2\pi)\}$$

Defn Let X be a top. sp. A loop in X is a continuous map $\text{from } S^1 \text{ to } X$

To say J is a Jordan curve in X means J is the image of a simple (1-1) loop in X .

Jordan Curve Theorem.

Let J be a Jordan curve in \mathbb{C} . Then:

- a) $\mathbb{C} \setminus J$ has exactly two components, one bounded & one unbounded
- b) J is the boundary of each component of $\mathbb{C} \setminus J$.

Theorem Let γ be a simple loop in \mathbb{C} and let J be the range of γ .

For each a in the bounded component of $\mathbb{C} \setminus J$, the winding number of γ w.r.t a is 1 or -1 (and is the same for all such a).

Theorem Let J be a Jordan curve in \mathbb{C} . Then each point of J is accessible from each component of $\mathbb{C} \setminus J$ (meaning if $a \in J$, $b \in \mathbb{C} \setminus J$, then $\exists \gamma: [0, 1] \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ s.t. $\gamma(0) = a$, $\gamma(t) \in \mathbb{C} \setminus J \quad \forall t > 0$, and $\gamma(1) = b$).

The Schoenflies Extension Theorem

Let γ be a simple closed loop in \mathbb{C} . Then there is a homeomorphism from \mathbb{C} into \mathbb{C} whose restriction to S^1 is γ .

Schoenflies's Converse to the Jordan Curve Theorem

Let J be a cpt $\subseteq \mathbb{C}$ s.t. $\mathbb{C} \setminus J$ has exactly two components (one bdd, one unbdd) and each point of J is accessible from each component of $\mathbb{C} \setminus J$.

then J is a Jordan curve.

Thm (Brouwer, 1911)

Let J be the range of a Hcts map $f: S^{n-1} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$. Then

$\mathbb{R}^n \setminus J$ has exactly two components (one bdd, one unbdd), and

each point of J is accessible from each component of $\mathbb{R}^n \setminus J$.

furthermore, $\forall a \in$ the bdd component of $\mathbb{R}^n \setminus J$, the map $f_a: S^{n-1} \rightarrow S^{n-1}$ defined

by $f_a(x) = \frac{f(x)-a}{\|f(x)-a\|}$ has degree equal to 1 or -1 (the degree is the same \forall such a).

Defn Let X and Y be top. sps. let $f_0, f_1: X \rightarrow Y$ be continuous

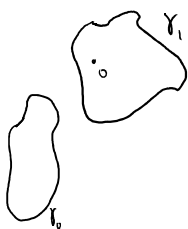
a) to say H is a homotopy in Y from f_0 to f_1 means H is a cts map from

$X \times [0,1]$ to Y such that $\forall x \in X, H(x,0) = f_0(x), H(x,1) = f_1(x)$

b) To say f_0 is homotopic to f_1 in Y means \exists a homotopy in Y from f_0 to f_1 .

$$H: f_0 \simeq f_1 \\ \text{in } Y$$

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$Y = \mathbb{C} \setminus \{0\}$.

Y_0 is not homotopic to Y_1 .



$n(z=1) = 0$ but not homotopic to 0
in $\mathbb{C} \setminus \{z=1\}$.

Theorem Let X and Y be top. sp. Then on the set $C(X, Y)$ of all continuous maps $X \rightarrow Y$, the relation of being homotopic in Y is an equivalence relation.

Notation $\pi(X, Y)$ is the set of homotopy classes in $C(X, Y)$

Thm Compositions of homotopic maps are homotopic. Specifically, let X, Y, Z be top. sp.
let $f_0, f_1: X \rightarrow Y$ which are homotopic in Y , let $g_0, g_1: Y \rightarrow Z$ which are
homotopic in Z . Then $h_0 = g_0 \circ f_0$ and $h_1 = g_1 \circ f_1$ are homotopic in Z .

$$((f_0 \simeq f_1, g_0 \simeq g_1) \implies h_0 \simeq h_1)$$

Proof let $F: X \times [0, 1] \rightarrow Y$ be a homotopy from f_0 to f_1 in Y , let $G: Y \times [0, 1] \rightarrow Z$ be a
homotopy from g_0 to g_1 in Z . let $H: X \times [0, 1] \rightarrow Z$ be defined by

$$H(x, t) = G(F(x, t), t). \text{ Then } H \text{ is a homotopy from } h_0 \text{ to } h_1 \text{ in } Z. \text{ (check this)} \quad \square$$