

Today:

- More examples of conti. fns.
- revisit connectedness, IVT, fixed point thm.
- Q & A. (conti. fns).

Reminder: Lecture this Thursday will be asynchronous.

$f: (X, d_X) \rightarrow (Y, d_Y)$  is continuous if:

$\forall x_0 \in X, \forall (x_n) \subseteq X$  with  $\lim x_n = x_0$ .  
we have:  $\lim f(x_n) = f(x_0)$ .

equivalent  
definitions.

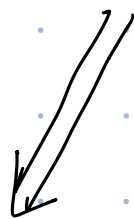
$\forall x_0 \in X, \forall \varepsilon > 0, \exists \delta > 0$  s.t.

$d_X(x, x_0) < \delta \Rightarrow d_Y(f(x), f(x_0)) < \varepsilon$ .

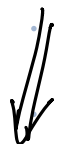
Ross, §21.

$\forall U \subseteq Y$  open, we have  $f^{-1}(U) \subseteq X$  open.

Ross, 21.4.



$E \subseteq X$  cpt  $\Rightarrow f(E) \subseteq Y$  cpt.



Ross, 21.5  
Ross, 18.1

extreme value theorem.  
for compact sets.  
(e.g.  $[a, b] \subseteq \mathbb{R}$ ).



Ross, 22.2.

$E \subseteq X$  connected



$f(E) \subseteq Y$  connected.



Intermediate value theorem.

Ross, 18.2.

Def  $E \subseteq (X, d)$  is disconnected if  $\exists u_1, u_2 \subseteq X$ ,  
that "separates  $E$ ", i.e.

1)  $E \cap u_1 \neq \emptyset, E \cap u_2 \neq \emptyset$

2)  $E \subseteq u_1 \cup u_2$

3)  $E \cap u_1 \cap u_2 = \emptyset$ .

Otherwise,  $E \subseteq X$  is called connected.

Thm  $f: X \rightarrow Y$  conti.

If  $E \subseteq X$  connected, then  $f(E) \subseteq Y$  is connected

Pf. Assume  $f(E) \subseteq Y$  disconnected, i.e.  $\exists u_1, u_2 \subseteq Y$   
that "separates  $f(E)$ ".  
open.

- Since  $f$  is conti,  $f^{-1}(u_1), f^{-1}(u_2) \subseteq X$  are open
- It's easy to check that:  $f^{-1}(u_1), f^{-1}(u_2)$  "separates  $E$ ".  
(ex).

(Ex: If  $u_1, u_2 \subseteq Y$  separates  $f(E)$ , (i.e. they satisfy the  
conditions 1) - 3),

then  $f^{-1}(u_1), f^{-1}(u_2) \subseteq X$  separates  $E$ .)

$\Rightarrow E$  is disconnected.  $\times$



ex.  $f(x) = x^3 + x + 1 : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$

Claim  $\exists x_0 \in \mathbb{R}$  st.  $f(x_0) = 0$

• If we can find  $x_1, x_2 \in \mathbb{R}$  st.  $f(x_1) < 0$ ,  $f(x_2) > 0$ ,  
then by IVT,  $\exists y$  between  $x_1, x_2$   
st.  $f(y) = 0$

$$f(-1) = -1 < 0$$

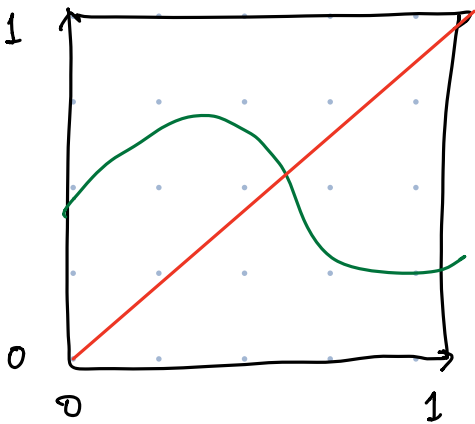
$$f(1) = 3 > 0$$

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ex: Any conti. fun. from  $[0,1]$  to itself has a fixed pt.

$f: [0,1] \rightarrow [0,1]$  conti.

Then  $\exists x_0 \in [0,1]$  st.  $f(x_0) = x_0$ .



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pf. Consider  $g(x) = f(x) - x$  conti.

Prove by contradiction.

Suppose  $\forall x_0 \in [0,1], f(x_0) \neq x_0$

then  $g(0) > 0$ ,  $g(1) < 0$ .

IVT  $\Rightarrow \exists x_0 \in (0,1)$  st.  $g(x_0) = 0$

$\updownarrow$

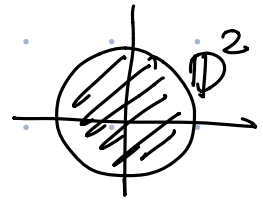
$$f(x_0) = x_0$$

$\rightarrow$

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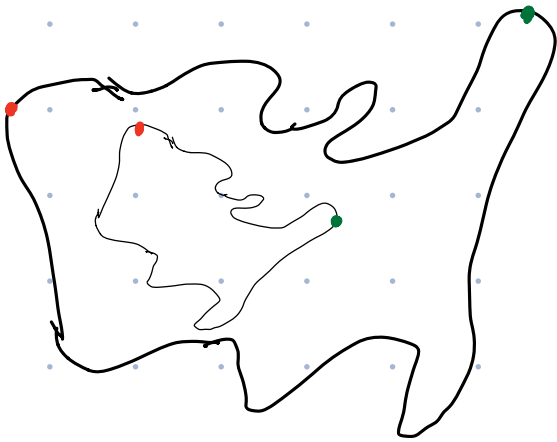
Brouwer fixed pt thm:

$$\mathbb{D}^n = \{x \in \mathbb{R}^n : x_1^2 + \dots + x_n^2 \leq 1\} \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n$$



$\forall f: \mathbb{D}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{D}^n$  conti.,

$\exists x_0 \in \mathbb{D}^n$  st.  $f(x_0) = x_0$



eg.  $f: (X, d_X) \rightarrow (Y, d_Y)$  the constant map that  
 $\forall x \mapsto y_0$  sends any pt in  $X$  to  $y_0 \in Y$ .

Claim:  $f$  is conti.

Using 1<sup>st</sup> def<sup>n</sup>: clear!

Using 2<sup>nd</sup> def<sup>n</sup>: clear!

$\forall x_0 \in X, \forall \varepsilon > 0$ , we need to find  $\delta > 0$

st. if  $d_X(x, x_0) < \delta$  then  $d_Y(f(x), f(x_0)) < \varepsilon$ .

choose any

$\begin{matrix} \circ \\ \parallel \\ \hline \uparrow \quad \uparrow \\ y_0 \end{matrix}$

Using 3<sup>rd</sup> def<sup>n</sup>:

$\forall U \subseteq Y$ , need to show:  $f^{-1}(U) \subseteq X$   
 open open.

Reminds:  $\forall$  metric space  $(X, d_x)$ ,  
 $\phi$  is open.  
 $X$  is open.

eg:  $f(x) = \begin{cases} 1, & x \in \mathbb{Q} \\ 0, & x \notin \mathbb{Q} \end{cases}$

$f: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$

Claim:  $f$  is discontinuous at any point  $x_0 \in \mathbb{R}$ .

pf (using 1st def<sup>n</sup>):

If  $x_0 \in \mathbb{Q}$ , (so  $f(x_0) = 1$ )

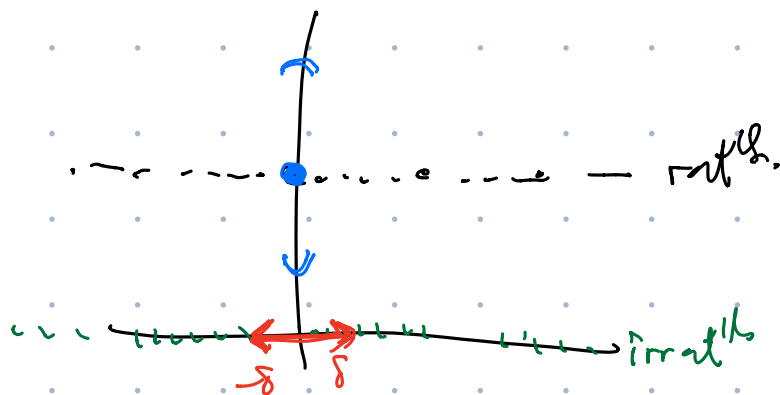
$\exists (x_n)$  irrat<sup>l</sup> st.  $\lim x_n = x_0$

but  $\lim \underbrace{f(x_n)}_0 = 0 \neq f(x_0) = 1$

Similarly,  $x_0 \notin \mathbb{Q}$ .

pf (using 2<sup>nd</sup> def<sup>n</sup>):

If  $x_0 \in \mathbb{Q}$ ,



If  $f$  is conti at  $x_0$ :

$$\forall \epsilon > 0, \exists \delta > 0 \text{ st. } |x - x_0| < \delta \Rightarrow |f(x) - f(x_0)| < \epsilon.$$

If  $f$  is not conti. at  $x_0$ :

$$\exists \epsilon > 0, \text{ st. } \forall \delta > 0, \exists x \text{ where } |x - x_0| < \delta, |f(x) - f(x_0)| \geq \epsilon$$

pf (using 3rd def<sup>n</sup>)

$$f^{-1}\left(\frac{1}{2}, \frac{3}{2}\right) = \mathbb{Q} \subseteq \mathbb{R}$$

↑  
open interval

not open.

$$f^{-1}\left(-\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}\right) = \mathbb{R} \setminus \mathbb{Q} \subseteq \mathbb{R}$$

↑  
open interval

not open.

$$f(x) = x^2 : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$$

fix  $x_0 \in \mathbb{R}$

$\forall \varepsilon > 0$

we need find a  $\delta > 0$

st.

$$(x - x_0 < \delta) \Rightarrow (x^2 - x_0^2 < \varepsilon)$$

$$\delta \leq 1$$

$$|x + x_0| \leq |x - x_0| + 2|x_0|$$

$$< \delta + 2|x_0|$$

$$\leq 1 + 2|x_0|$$

$$|x^2 - x_0^2| = |x - x_0| |x + x_0|$$

$$< \delta \left( \frac{1}{2} + 2|x_0| \right) < \varepsilon$$

$$\delta < \frac{\varepsilon}{1 + 2|x_0|}$$