

# TOPOLOGY

[bit.ly/ea-205](https://bit.ly/ea-205)

with  $\int (x^2) dx$

↳ tut solution, etc.

- open sets
- closed sets
- unions and intersections
- bounded sets
- compact sets
- EVT
- path-connected

- 
- All apples in this bag are good.  $\rightarrow$  I
  - At least one apple in this bag is not good.  $\rightarrow$  II
- $\Rightarrow$  bag is non-empty

If my bag is empty, which of I or II is true? I

"vacuously true"

I Many

II

Both II

None

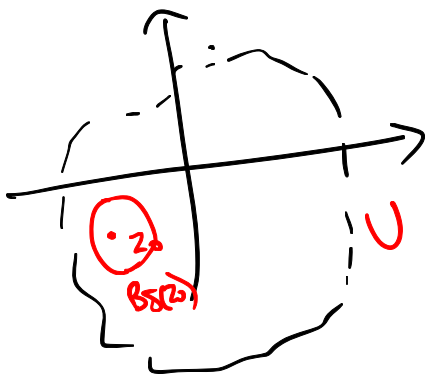
Let  $U \subset \mathbb{C}$ .

Let us say that  $z_0 \in U$  is good if there exists some  $\delta > 0$  such that

good  
↓  
interior point

$$B_\delta(z_0) \subset U,$$

where  $B_\delta(z_0) = \{z \in \mathbb{C} : |z - z_0| < \delta\}$ .



Note that some  $\delta$  should exist.

Def<sup>n</sup>.

A subset  $U \subset \mathbb{C}$  is said to be open if all points of  $U$  are good.

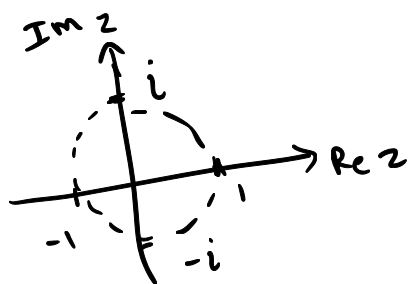
In other words, for all  $z_0 \in U$ ,  $\exists \delta > 0$

s.t.  $B_\delta(z_0) \subset U$ .

Q. Is  $\emptyset$  open? Yes. Why? Vacuously!

Q. Is  $\mathbb{C}$  open? Yes. Why? Take any  $z_0 \in \mathbb{C}$ .  $B_1(z_0) \subset \mathbb{C}$ . i.e.  $\delta = 1$  works.

Q. Is  $D^2 = \{z \in \mathbb{C} : |z| < 1\}$  open?



Proof. Let  $z_0 \in D^2$ .

Let  $\delta := 1 - |z_0|$ .

Note that  $\delta > 0$ .

To show that:  $B_\delta(z_0) \subset \underline{\underline{D^2}}$ .

Let  $z \in B_\delta(z_0)$ .

show

I know:  $|z - z_0| < \delta$

Now, observe that:

$$|z| = |z - z_0 + z_0|$$

$$\leq |z - z_0| + |z_0|$$

$$< \delta + |z_0| = 1.$$

$$\therefore |z| < 1 \Rightarrow z \in D^2. \quad \square$$

Def<sup>n</sup>. A subset  $U \subset \mathbb{C}$  is said to be closed

$$\text{if } U^c = \mathbb{C} - U = \mathbb{C} \setminus U$$

is open.

Remark.

$U$  is closed  $\Leftrightarrow U$  is not open

$U$  is not closed  $\Leftrightarrow U$  is open

$U$  is closed  $\stackrel{\text{def}^n}{\Leftrightarrow} U^c$  is open

• Is  $\emptyset$  closed? Yes. Why?  $\emptyset^c = \mathbb{C}$  is open.

• Is  $\mathbb{C}$  closed? Yes. Why?  $\mathbb{C}^c = \emptyset$  is open.

Q. Is  $C = \{z \in \mathbb{C} : |z| > 1\}$  open?

Yes. Take  $z_0 \in C$ . Check that  $\delta = |z_0| - 1$  works.

Q. Is  $D^2 \cup C = \{z \in \mathbb{C} : |z| > 1 \text{ or } |z| < 1\}$  open in  $\mathbb{C}$ ?

Yes. Use same argument as earlier:

If  $z_0 \in D^2 \cup C$ ,

then either

$z_0 \in D^2 \rightarrow \delta = 1 - |z_0|$

or

$z_0 \in C \rightarrow \delta = |z_0| - 1$ .

Q. What is  $\mathbb{C} \setminus (D^2 \cup C)$ ?

It is  $S^1 = \{z \in \mathbb{C} : |z| = 1\}$ .

Q. Is  $S^1$  closed? Yes! Its complement is open.

Q. Is  $S^1$  open? No. ~~It is closed.~~

At least one point of  $S^1$  is not good.

Let us  $1 + 0i \in S^1$ .

To show: It is not good.

That is, to show that

for every  $\delta > 0$ , we have that

$$B_\delta(1) \not\subset S^1.$$

This means that  $\exists z \in B_\delta(1)$  s.t.  $z \notin S^1$ .

Proof. Let  $\delta > 0$  be arbitrary.

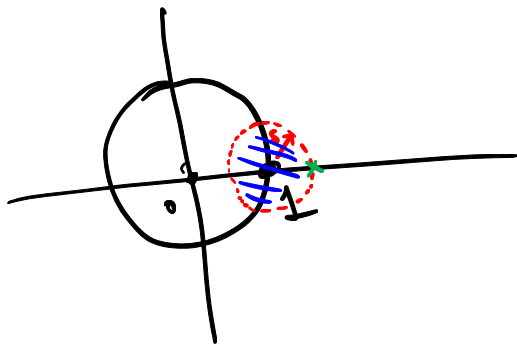
Then,  $1 + \frac{\delta}{2}i \in B_\delta(1)$ . (Why?)

But  $1 + \frac{\delta}{2}i \notin S^1$ . (Why?)

Because

$$\left|1 + \frac{\delta}{2}i\right| = \sqrt{1 + \frac{\delta^2}{4}} > 1.$$

Thus, for any  $\delta > 0$ ,  $B_\delta(1) \not\subset S^1$ .



Thus, 1 is not good (for  $S'$ )

Thus,  $S'$  is not open! ☹️

Q. Is  $E = \{z \in \mathbb{C} : |z| \leq 1\}$ .

Is  $E$  closed?

Yes. Why?



This is true!

$E$  is not open, by similar argument.

**NO!** ← Argument

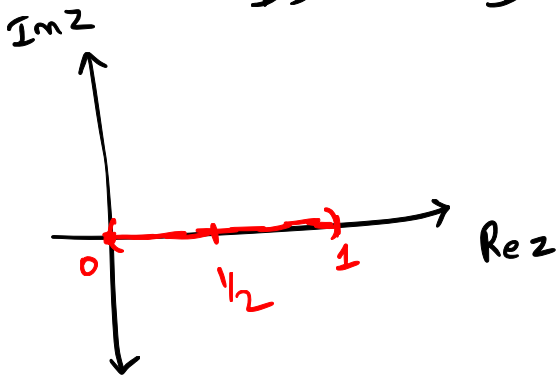
↳  $\mathbb{C} \setminus E = \{z \in \mathbb{C} : |z| > 1\}$ .

↳ we have shown this is open!

Remark. There ARE subsets of  $\mathbb{C}$  which are NEITHER open nor closed.

Q. Consider the interval  $I = (0, 1) \subset \mathbb{R} \subset \mathbb{C}$ .

Is  $I$  open? **No!**



Why? Give one not good point.

$$0.5 = \frac{1}{2}$$

Note that for any  $\delta > 0$   
 $\frac{1}{2} + i \frac{\delta}{2} \in B_\delta(\frac{1}{2})$  but

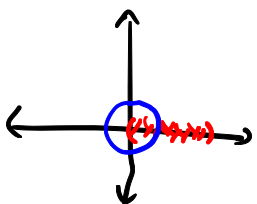
$$\frac{1}{2} + i \frac{\delta}{2} \notin (0, 1).$$

Thus,  $(0, 1)$  is not an open subset of  $\mathbb{C}$ .

Q Is  $(0, 1)$  closed? **No.**

Let us look at

$\mathbb{C} \setminus (0, 1) \rightarrow$  want to show this is not open.



Give me a not good point.

Claim:  $0 \in \mathbb{C} \setminus (0, 1)$  is not good.

[want:  $B_\delta(0) \not\subset \mathbb{C} \setminus (0, 1)$ ]

$A \neq \emptyset$   
 $A \cap B \neq \emptyset$

Proof. Let  $\delta > 0$ .

$B_\delta(0) \cap (0,1) \neq \emptyset$

Claim:  $\frac{\delta}{2} \in B_\delta(0)$  but  $\frac{\delta}{2} \notin \mathbb{C} \setminus (0,1)$

works if  $\delta < 1$

or

$\frac{\delta}{2} \in B_\delta(0)$  and  $\frac{\delta}{2} \in (0,1)$



Is this true? Not always.

Let  $x_0 := \min \left\{ \frac{1}{2}, \frac{\delta}{2} \right\}$ .

Now, clearly,  $x_0 \in (0,1)$ . (Why?)

Moreover,  $x_0 \in B_\delta(0)$ . (Why?)

$|x_0 - 0| = x_0 \leq \frac{\delta}{2} < \delta$ .

Thus, for any  $\delta > 0$ ,  $B_\delta(0) \not\subseteq \mathbb{C} \setminus (0,1)$ .

Conclusion.  $(0,1)$  is a subset of  $\mathbb{C}$  which is neither open nor closed.

Fact.  $\emptyset$  and  $\mathbb{C}$  are the only subsets of  $\mathbb{C}$  which are both open and closed.



Def<sup>n</sup>

A subset  $S \subset \mathbb{C}$  is said to be bounded if there exists  $M > 0$  s.t.

$$|z| \leq M \quad \text{for all } z \in S.$$

( $M$  is obviously independent of  $z$ .)

Def<sup>n</sup>

A subset  $K \subset \mathbb{C}$  is said to be compact if it is closed and bounded.

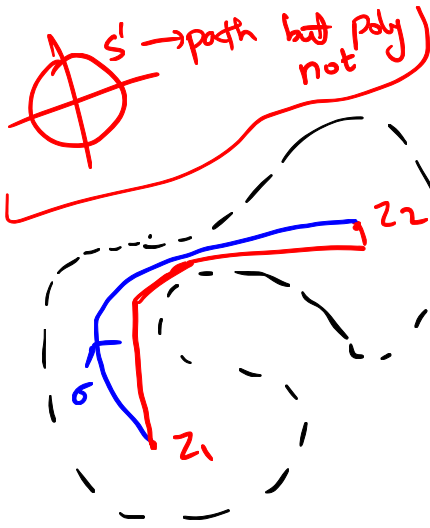
Fact.

If  $f: K \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$  is continuous, then  $\exists M > 0$  s.t.  $|f(z)| \leq M \quad \forall z \in K$ .

Def<sup>n</sup>

A subset  $P \subset \mathbb{C}$  is said to be path-connected, if for every  $z_1, z_2 \in P$ , there is a path in  $P$  that joins  $z_1$  and  $z_2$ .  
( $\emptyset$ , by THIS def<sup>n</sup>, is path-connected.)

To be precise, there is a continuous function  $\sigma: [0, 1] \rightarrow P$  such that  $\sigma(0) = z_1$  and  $\sigma(1) = z_2$ .



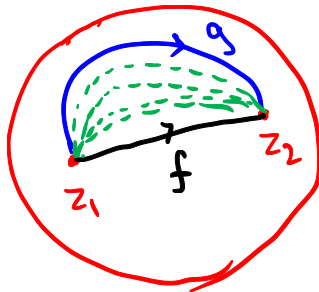
Def<sup>n</sup>. A subset  $\Omega \subset \mathbb{C}$  is said to be a **domain** if  $\Omega$  is open and path-connected.

Q. Let  $D^2$  be as earlier.  $\{z \in \mathbb{C} : |z| < 1\}$ .  
 Let  $A \subset D^2$  be <sup>at most</sup> countable. (finite or infinite)

For this argument, you only need  $D^2$  to be convex & open. Result is true in more generality.

Claim:  $D^2 \setminus A$  is path-connected.

Proof.



Let  $z_1, z_2 \in D^2 \setminus A$ .

First consider  $f$ , line segment in  $D^2$  joining them

$\hookrightarrow D^2$  can be replaced with path-conn & open.

Similarly, consider an arc  $g$  joining them in  $D^2$ .

For every  $\lambda \in [0, 1]$ , define the path

$$\sigma_\lambda := \lambda f + (1-\lambda)g.$$

$$t \in [0, 1] \quad \sigma_\lambda(t) = \lambda f(t) + (1-\lambda)g(t).$$

Claim 1.  $\sigma_\lambda$  is a path in  $D^2$ .

Claim 2.  $\sigma_\lambda(0) = z_1$  &  $\sigma_\lambda(1) = z_2 \quad \forall \lambda \in [0, 1]$

Claim 3. If  $\lambda_1 \neq \lambda_2$  and  $t \in (0, 1)$   
then,  $\lambda_1(t) \neq \lambda_2(t)$

} images of the paths are disjoint

Fact:  $[0, 1]$  is uncountable.

$\{\sigma_\lambda\}_{\lambda \in [0, 1]}$  is uncount.

$\exists$  some  $\lambda_0$  s.t.  $\sigma_{\lambda_0}(t) \notin A$  for all  $t \in [0, 1]$ .

In other words,

$\sigma_{\lambda_0}$  is a path in  $D^2 \setminus A$  starting at  $z_1$   
& ending at  $z_2$ .

---

Yes!  $\emptyset$  is bounded. Any  $M^{\geq 0}$  works.

Yes. Vacuous.

$\emptyset \rightarrow$  open, closed, bdd, path conn.

$\mathbb{C} \rightarrow$  open, closed, NOT bdd, path conn.

?  $\rightarrow$  open, closed, NOT path-conn.

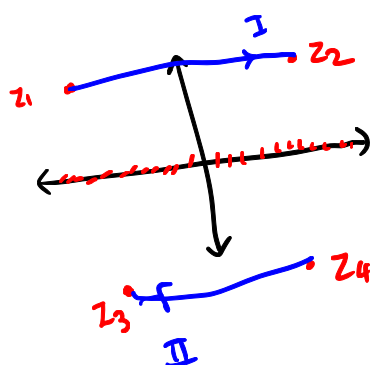
No.

$\hookrightarrow$  only  $\emptyset$  and  $\mathbb{C}$ .

Both are path-conn.

---

10.  $\mathbb{C} \setminus (\mathbb{R} \setminus \{0\})$  is path connected.



Three cases

(1) Both are in the same half plane.  
either both have  $\text{Im} z_i > 0$  or both  $\text{Im} z_i < 0$

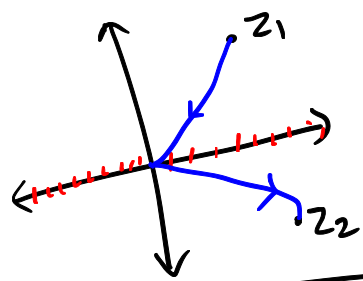
$\hookrightarrow$  take the line segment joining them

(2) In different half planes.

wlog,

$\text{Im} z_1 > 0$

$\text{Im} z_2 < 0$

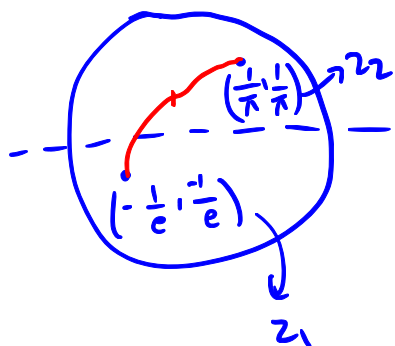


Join  $z_1$  to 0 & 0 to  $z_2$ .

(3) one or both are 0.

↑ Trivial.

Q: Is  $D^2 \setminus ((\mathbb{Q} \times \mathbb{R}) \cup (\mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{Q}))$ .



Suppose  $\sigma$  is a path from  $z_1$  to  $z_2$ .

$$\sigma: [0, 1] \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$$

$$\text{s.t. } \sigma(0) = z_1 \text{ \& } \sigma(1) = z_2.$$

Consider  $\gamma: [0, 1] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$

$$\text{given by } \gamma(t) = \text{Re}(\sigma(t)).$$

Is  $\gamma$  continuous? Yes. (Why?)

$$\text{Moreover } \gamma(0) = -\frac{1}{e}$$

$$\gamma(1) = \frac{1}{\pi}$$

Thus,  $\gamma(c) = 0$  for some  $c \in (0, 1)$

Thus,  $\text{Re}(\sigma(c)) = 0 \in \mathbb{Q}$ .

→ ←

(The above question was

Take the disc  $D^2 = \{x \in \mathbb{C} : |x| < 1\}$ .

$(a, b) \equiv a + bi$   
 Note that I  
 have used  
 $\mathbb{R}^2$  &  $\mathbb{C}$   
 interchangeably.

Remove all those points which have real part  $\in \mathbb{Q}$ .  
Then remove all those points which have imag. part  $\in \mathbb{Q}$

T.S: The final set is NOT path-connected.

What I did: I gave you point  $z_1, z_2 \in \text{Set}$   
s.t. there is no path from  $z_1$  to  $z_2$

---

Q: Let  $S \subset \mathbb{C}$  s.t.  $S \neq \emptyset$  and  $S^c \neq \emptyset$ .  
for every  $\epsilon > 0$ , can we find  
 $s \in S$  &  $s' \in S^c$  s.t.  
 $|s - s'| < \epsilon$ .

Answer: Yes.

Def<sup>n</sup>. Let  $\{U_\alpha\}_{\alpha \in A}$  be a collection of sets.

- $\downarrow$
- ①  $A$  is some set.  $\rightarrow$  called the indexing set.
  - ② for each  $\alpha \in A$ ,  $U_\alpha$  is a set

Then,  $\bigcup_{\alpha \in A} U_\alpha := \{x : x \in U_\alpha \text{ for some } \alpha \in A\}$ .

$\rightarrow$   
This is defined even if  $A = \emptyset$ .

and

$\bigcap_{\alpha \in A} U_\alpha := \{x : x \in U_\alpha \text{ for all } \alpha \in A\}$ .

$\rightarrow$   
Only defined when  $A \neq \emptyset$ .

Theorem. If  $\{U_\alpha\}_{\alpha \in A}$  is a collection of open subsets of  $\mathbb{C}$ , then

$U := \bigcup_{\alpha \in A} U_\alpha$  is open in  $\mathbb{C}$ .

Proof Let  $z_0 \in U$ . We want to show  $z_0$  is good.

$\Downarrow$   
 $z_0 \in U_{\alpha_0}$  for some  $\alpha_0 \in A$ .

$\hookrightarrow$  this is open  $\rightarrow$

Then,  $\exists \delta > 0$  s.t.  $B_\delta(z_0) \subset U_{\alpha_0}$ .

However,  $U_0 \subset U$ .

Thus,  $B_\delta(z_0) \subset U$ .  $\rightarrow z$  is good.

Thus,  $U$  is open.

Theorem.

Let  $U_1, \dots, U_n \subset \mathbb{C}$  be open sets. ( $n \geq 1$ )

Then,  $U := U_1 \cap U_2 \cap \dots \cap U_n$  is open in  $\mathbb{C}$ .

Proof.

Let  $z_0 \in U$ .

$\downarrow$

$z_0 \in U_1, z_0 \in U_2, \dots, z_0 \in U_n$

$\downarrow$  each is open,  $\exists \delta_i > 0$  for all  $1 \leq i \leq n$

$B_{\delta_i}(z_0) \subset U_i \quad \forall 1 \leq i \leq n$

Take  $\delta = \min \{ \delta_i : 1 \leq i \leq n \}$ .

$\leftarrow$  finiteness

$\delta \leq \delta_i \quad \forall i$

$\Rightarrow B_\delta(z_0) \subset B_{\delta_i}(z_0) \subset U_i \quad \forall i$

$\Rightarrow B_\delta(z_0) \subset U$ .

Example.

Take  $A = \{ \frac{1}{n} : n \in \mathbb{N} \}$ .

Clearly, every element of  $A$  is  $> 0$ .

Does  $\min A$  exist? No.

$\inf A$  exists and is  $= 0$ .  
Thus,  $\delta$  can't be chosen.



Take  $U_n = B_{1/n}(0)$  for all  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ .

$\{U_n\}_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$  is a collection of open sets.

BUT  $\bigcap_{n \in \mathbb{N}} U_n = \{0\} \rightarrow$  NOT open.

## De Morgan's Laws

$$\left( \bigcup_{\alpha \in A} U_\alpha \right)^c = \bigcap_{\alpha \in A} (U_\alpha^c)$$

$$\left( \bigcap_{\alpha \in A} U_\alpha \right)^c = \bigcup_{\alpha \in A} (U_\alpha^c)$$

Ex. Show that finite union of closed sets is closed.  
Show that arbitrary inters of closed sets is closed.