

On the Decomposition of a Simple Closed Curve into Two Arcs

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Summary. The purpose of the paper is to prove lemmas needed for the Jordan curve theorem. The main result is that the decomposition of a simple closed curve into two arcs with the ends p_1, p_2 is unique in the sense that every arc on the curve with the same ends must be equal to one of them.

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The articles [25], [24], [26], [14], [27], [2], [4], [8], [3], [22], [17], [21], [7], [6], [20], [1], [23], [15], [9], [5], [10], [19], [18], [11], [13], [12], and [16] provide the terminology and notation for this paper.

One can prove the following proposition

- (1) Let S_1 be a finite non empty subset of \mathbb{R} and e be a real number. If for every real number r such that $r \in S_1$ holds $r < e$, then $\max S_1 < e$.

For simplicity, we use the following convention: C is a simple closed curve, A, A_1, A_2 are subsets of \mathcal{E}_T^2 , p, p_1, p_2, q, q_1, q_2 are points of \mathcal{E}_T^2 , and n is a natural number.

Let us consider n . Note that there exists a subset of \mathcal{E}_T^n which is trivial.

We now state a number of propositions:

- (2) For all sets a, b, c, X such that $a \in X$ and $b \in X$ and $c \in X$ holds $\{a, b, c\} \subseteq X$.
- (3) $\emptyset_{\mathcal{E}_T^n}$ is Bounded.
- (4) $\text{LowerArc } C \neq \text{UpperArc } C$.
- (5) $\text{Segment}(A, p_1, p_2, q_1, q_2) \subseteq A$.

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- (6) Let T be a non empty topological space and A, B be subsets of the carrier of T . If $A \subseteq B$, then $T|A$ is a subspace of $T|B$.
- (7) If A is an arc from p_1 to p_2 and $q \in A$, then $q \in \text{LSegment}(A, p_1, p_2, q)$.
- (8) If A is an arc from p_1 to p_2 and $q \in A$, then $q \in \text{RSegment}(A, p_1, p_2, q)$.
- (9) If A is an arc from p_1 to p_2 and $\text{LE } q_1, q_2, A, p_1, p_2$, then $q_1 \in \text{Segment}(A, p_1, p_2, q_1, q_2)$ and $q_2 \in \text{Segment}(A, p_1, p_2, q_1, q_2)$.
- (10) $\text{Segment}(p, q, C) \subseteq C$.
- (11) If $p \in C$ and $q \in C$, then $\text{LE}(p, q, C)$ or $\text{LE}(q, p, C)$.
- (12) Let X, Y be non empty topological spaces, Y_0 be a non empty subspace of Y , f be a map from X into Y , and g be a map from X into Y_0 . If $f = g$ and f is continuous, then g is continuous.
- (13) Let S, T be non empty topological spaces, S_0 be a non empty subspace of S , T_0 be a non empty subspace of T , and f be a map from S into T . Suppose f is a homeomorphism. Let g be a map from S_0 into T_0 . If $g = f|S_0$ and g is onto, then g is a homeomorphism.
- (14) Let P_1, P_2, P_3 be subsets of \mathcal{E}_T^2 and p_1, p_2 be points of \mathcal{E}_T^2 . Suppose P_1 is an arc from p_1 to p_2 and P_2 is an arc from p_1 to p_2 and P_3 is an arc from p_1 to p_2 and $P_2 \cap P_3 = \{p_1, p_2\}$ and $P_1 \subseteq P_2 \cup P_3$. Then $P_1 = P_2$ or $P_1 = P_3$.
- (15) Let C be a simple closed curve, A_1, A_2 be subsets of \mathcal{E}_T^2 , and p_1, p_2 be points of \mathcal{E}_T^2 . Suppose A_1 is an arc from p_1 to p_2 and A_2 is an arc from p_1 to p_2 and $A_1 \subseteq C$ and $A_2 \subseteq C$ and $A_1 \neq A_2$. Then $A_1 \cup A_2 = C$ and $A_1 \cap A_2 = \{p_1, p_2\}$.
- (16) Let A_1, A_2 be subsets of \mathcal{E}_T^2 and p_1, p_2, q_1, q_2 be points of \mathcal{E}_T^2 . If A_1 is an arc from p_1 to p_2 and $A_1 \cap A_2 = \{q_1, q_2\}$, then $A_1 \neq A_2$.
- (17) Let C be a simple closed curve, A_1, A_2 be subsets of \mathcal{E}_T^2 , and p_1, p_2 be points of \mathcal{E}_T^2 . Suppose A_1 is an arc from p_1 to p_2 and A_2 is an arc from p_1 to p_2 and $A_1 \subseteq C$ and $A_2 \subseteq C$ and $A_1 \cap A_2 = \{p_1, p_2\}$. Then $A_1 \cup A_2 = C$.
- (18) Suppose $A_1 \subseteq C$ and $A_2 \subseteq C$ and $A_1 \neq A_2$ and A_1 is an arc from p_1 to p_2 and A_2 is an arc from p_1 to p_2 . Let given A . If A is an arc from p_1 to p_2 and $A \subseteq C$, then $A = A_1$ or $A = A_2$.
- (19) Let C be a simple closed curve and A be a non empty subset of \mathcal{E}_T^2 . If A is an arc from $\text{W-min } C$ to $\text{E-max } C$ and $A \subseteq C$, then $A = \text{LowerArc } C$ or $A = \text{UpperArc } C$.
- (20) Suppose A is an arc from p_1 to p_2 and $\text{LE } q_1, q_2, A, p_1, p_2$. Then there exists a map g from \mathbb{I} into $(\mathcal{E}_T^2)|A$ and there exist real numbers s_1, s_2 such that g is a homeomorphism and $g(0) = p_1$ and $g(1) = p_2$ and $g(s_1) = q_1$ and $g(s_2) = q_2$ and $0 \leq s_1$ and $s_1 \leq s_2$ and $s_2 \leq 1$.
- (21) Suppose A is an arc from p_1 to p_2 and $\text{LE } q_1, q_2, A, p_1, p_2$ and $q_1 \neq q_2$. Then there exists a map g from \mathbb{I} into $(\mathcal{E}_T^2)|A$ and there exist real numbers

s_1, s_2 such that g is a homeomorphism and $g(0) = p_1$ and $g(1) = p_2$ and $g(s_1) = q_1$ and $g(s_2) = q_2$ and $0 \leq s_1$ and $s_1 < s_2$ and $s_2 \leq 1$.

(22) If A is an arc from p_1 to p_2 and LE q_1, q_2, A, p_1, p_2 , then $\text{Segment}(A, p_1, p_2, q_1, q_2)$ is non empty.

(23) If $p \in C$, then $p \in \text{Segment}(p, \text{W-min } C, C)$ and $\text{W-min } C \in \text{Segment}(p, \text{W-min } C, C)$.

Let f be a partial function from \mathbb{R} to \mathbb{R} . We say that f is continuous if and only if:

(Def. 1) f is continuous on $\text{dom } f$.

Let f be a function from \mathbb{R} into \mathbb{R} . Let us observe that f is continuous if and only if:

(Def. 2) f is continuous on \mathbb{R} .

Let a, b be real numbers. The functor $\text{AffineMap}(a, b)$ yielding a function from \mathbb{R} into \mathbb{R} is defined by:

(Def. 3) For every real number x holds $(\text{AffineMap}(a, b))(x) = a \cdot x + b$.

Let a, b be real numbers. Observe that $\text{AffineMap}(a, b)$ is continuous.

Let us mention that there exists a function from \mathbb{R} into \mathbb{R} which is continuous.

We now state a number of propositions:

(24) Let f, g be continuous partial functions from \mathbb{R} to \mathbb{R} . Then $g \cdot f$ is a continuous partial function from \mathbb{R} to \mathbb{R} .

(25) For all real numbers a, b holds $(\text{AffineMap}(a, b))(0) = b$.

(26) For all real numbers a, b holds $(\text{AffineMap}(a, b))(1) = a + b$.

(27) For all real numbers a, b such that $a \neq 0$ holds $\text{AffineMap}(a, b)$ is one-to-one.

(28) For all real numbers a, b, x, y such that $a > 0$ and $x < y$ holds $(\text{AffineMap}(a, b))(x) < (\text{AffineMap}(a, b))(y)$.

(29) For all real numbers a, b, x, y such that $a < 0$ and $x < y$ holds $(\text{AffineMap}(a, b))(x) > (\text{AffineMap}(a, b))(y)$.

(30) For all real numbers a, b, x, y such that $a \geq 0$ and $x \leq y$ holds $(\text{AffineMap}(a, b))(x) \leq (\text{AffineMap}(a, b))(y)$.

(31) For all real numbers a, b, x, y such that $a \leq 0$ and $x \leq y$ holds $(\text{AffineMap}(a, b))(x) \geq (\text{AffineMap}(a, b))(y)$.

(32) For all real numbers a, b such that $a \neq 0$ holds $\text{rng } \text{AffineMap}(a, b) = \mathbb{R}$.

(33) For all real numbers a, b such that $a \neq 0$ holds $(\text{AffineMap}(a, b))^{-1} = \text{AffineMap}(a^{-1}, -\frac{b}{a})$.

(34) For all real numbers a, b such that $a > 0$ holds $(\text{AffineMap}(a, b))^\circ[0, 1] = [b, a + b]$.

(35) For every map f from \mathbb{R}^1 into \mathbb{R}^1 and for all real numbers a, b such that $a \neq 0$ and $f = \text{AffineMap}(a, b)$ holds f is a homeomorphism.

- (36) If A is an arc from p_1 to p_2 and LE q_1, q_2, A, p_1, p_2 and $q_1 \neq q_2$, then $\text{Segment}(A, p_1, p_2, q_1, q_2)$ is an arc from q_1 to q_2 .
- (37) Let p_1, p_2 be points of \mathcal{E}_T^2 and P be a subset of \mathcal{E}_T^2 . Suppose $P \subseteq C$ and P is an arc from p_1 to p_2 and W-min $C \in P$ and E-max $C \in P$. Then $\text{UpperArc } C \subseteq P$ or $\text{LowerArc } C \subseteq P$.

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