

Intermediate Value Theorem and Thickness of Simple Closed Curves

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Summary. Various types of the intermediate value theorem ([14]) are proved. For their special cases, the Bolzano theorem is also proved. Using such a theorem, it is shown that if a curve is a simple closed curve, then it is not horizontally degenerated, neither is it vertically degenerated.

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The articles [15], [18], [1], [17], [19], [4], [12], [6], [13], [2], [10], [3], [7], [8], [9], [11], [16], and [5] provide the notation and terminology for this paper.

1. INTERMEDIATE VALUE THEOREMS AND BOLZANO THEOREM

For simplicity, we follow the rules: $a, b, d, r_1, r_2, s_1, s_2$ are real numbers, r, r_3, r_4 are elements of \mathbb{R} , p, q are points of \mathcal{E}_T^2 , and X, Y are non empty topological spaces.

One can prove the following propositions:

- (1) For all real numbers a, b, c holds $c \in [a, b]$ iff $a \leq c$ and $c \leq b$.
- (4)¹ Let A, B_1, B_2 be subsets of X . Suppose B_1 is open and B_2 is open and B_1 meets A and B_2 meets A and $A \subseteq B_1 \cup B_2$ and B_1 misses B_2 . Then A is not connected.
- (5) Let f be a continuous map from X into Y and A be a subset of X . If A is connected, then $f \circ A$ is connected.
- (6) For all r_1, r_2 such that $r_1 \leq r_2$ holds $\Omega_{[(r_1), r_2]_{\mathbb{R}}}$ is connected.
- (7) For every subset A of \mathbb{R}^1 and for every a such that $A = \{r : a < r\}$ holds A is open.
- (8) For every subset A of \mathbb{R}^1 and for every a such that $A = \{r : a > r\}$ holds A is open.
- (9) Let A be a subset of \mathbb{R}^1 and given a . Suppose $a \notin A$ and there exist b, d such that $b \in A$ and $d \in A$ and $b < a$ and $a < d$. Then A is not connected.
- (10) Let X be a non empty topological space, x_1, x_2 be points of X , a, b, d be real numbers, and f be a continuous map from X into \mathbb{R}^1 . Suppose X is connected and $f(x_1) = a$ and $f(x_2) = b$ and $a \leq d$ and $d \leq b$. Then there exists a point x_3 of X such that $f(x_3) = d$.

¹ The propositions (2) and (3) have been removed.

- (11) Let X be a non empty topological space, x_1, x_2 be points of X , B be a subset of X , a, b, d be real numbers, and f be a continuous map from X into \mathbb{R}^1 . Suppose B is connected and $f(x_1) = a$ and $f(x_2) = b$ and $a \leq d$ and $d \leq b$ and $x_1 \in B$ and $x_2 \in B$. Then there exists a point x_3 of X such that $x_3 \in B$ and $f(x_3) = d$.
- (12) Let given r_1, r_2, a, b . Suppose $r_1 < r_2$. Let f be a continuous map from $[(r_1), r_2]_{\mathbb{T}}$ into \mathbb{R}^1 and given d . Suppose $f(r_1) = a$ and $f(r_2) = b$ and $a < d$ and $d < b$. Then there exists r_4 such that $f(r_4) = d$ and $r_1 < r_4$ and $r_4 < r_2$.
- (13) Let given r_1, r_2, a, b . Suppose $r_1 < r_2$. Let f be a continuous map from $[(r_1), r_2]_{\mathbb{T}}$ into \mathbb{R}^1 and given d . Suppose $f(r_1) = a$ and $f(r_2) = b$ and $a > d$ and $d > b$. Then there exists r_4 such that $f(r_4) = d$ and $r_1 < r_4$ and $r_4 < r_2$.
- (14) Let given r_1, r_2, g be a continuous map from $[(r_1), r_2]_{\mathbb{T}}$ into \mathbb{R}^1 , and given s_1, s_2 . Suppose $r_1 < r_2$ and $s_1 \cdot s_2 < 0$ and $s_1 = g(r_1)$ and $s_2 = g(r_2)$. Then there exists r_3 such that $g(r_3) = 0$ and $r_1 < r_3$ and $r_3 < r_2$.
- (15) Let g be a map from \mathbb{I} into \mathbb{R}^1 and given s_1, s_2 . Suppose g is continuous and $g(0) \neq g(1)$ and $s_1 = g(0)$ and $s_2 = g(1)$. Then there exists r_3 such that $0 < r_3$ and $r_3 < 1$ and $g(r_3) = \frac{s_1 + s_2}{2}$.

2. SIMPLE CLOSED CURVES ARE NOT FLAT

We now state a number of propositions:

- (16) For every map f from $\mathcal{E}_{\mathbb{T}}^2$ into \mathbb{R}^1 such that $f = \text{proj1}$ holds f is continuous.
- (17) For every map f from $\mathcal{E}_{\mathbb{T}}^2$ into \mathbb{R}^1 such that $f = \text{proj2}$ holds f is continuous.
- (18) Let P be a non empty subset of $\mathcal{E}_{\mathbb{T}}^2$ and f be a map from \mathbb{I} into $(\mathcal{E}_{\mathbb{T}}^2)|P$. Suppose f is continuous. Then there exists a map g from \mathbb{I} into \mathbb{R}^1 such that g is continuous and for all r, q such that $r \in$ the carrier of \mathbb{I} and $q = f(r)$ holds $q_1 = g(r)$.
- (19) Let P be a non empty subset of $\mathcal{E}_{\mathbb{T}}^2$ and f be a map from \mathbb{I} into $(\mathcal{E}_{\mathbb{T}}^2)|P$. Suppose f is continuous. Then there exists a map g from \mathbb{I} into \mathbb{R}^1 such that g is continuous and for all r, q such that $r \in$ the carrier of \mathbb{I} and $q = f(r)$ holds $q_2 = g(r)$.
- (20) Let P be a non empty subset of $\mathcal{E}_{\mathbb{T}}^2$. Suppose P satisfies conditions of simple closed curve. Then it is not true that there exists r such that for every p such that $p \in P$ holds $p_2 = r$.
- (21) Let P be a non empty subset of $\mathcal{E}_{\mathbb{T}}^2$. Suppose P satisfies conditions of simple closed curve. Then it is not true that there exists r such that for every p such that $p \in P$ holds $p_1 = r$.
- (22) For every compact non empty subset C of $\mathcal{E}_{\mathbb{T}}^2$ such that C is a simple closed curve holds $\text{N-bound}(C) > \text{S-bound}(C)$.
- (23) For every compact non empty subset C of $\mathcal{E}_{\mathbb{T}}^2$ such that C is a simple closed curve holds $\text{E-bound}(C) > \text{W-bound}(C)$.
- (24) For every compact non empty subset P of $\mathcal{E}_{\mathbb{T}}^2$ such that P is a simple closed curve holds $\text{S}_{\min}(P) \neq \text{N}_{\max}(P)$.
- (25) For every compact non empty subset P of $\mathcal{E}_{\mathbb{T}}^2$ such that P is a simple closed curve holds $\text{W}_{\min}(P) \neq \text{E}_{\max}(P)$.

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