

So $\hat{\varphi}_u(t) \cdot \hat{\varphi}_x(t) = \cos(\theta_u(t) - \theta_x(t))$. By (*) $\cos(\theta_u(t) - \theta_x(t)) > 1 - \varepsilon_2$ (**)

Let $\theta_0 = \arccos(1 - \varepsilon_2)$. As $\theta_u(a), \theta_x(a) \in [0, 2\pi)$, $|\theta_u(a) - \theta_x(a)| < \theta_0$

So for $\forall t, \exists k_t \in \mathbb{Z}$, s.t. $|\theta_u(t) - \theta_x(t)| \in (2k_t\pi - \theta_0, 2k_t\pi + \theta_0)$

If $\exists t_1, t_2$, $t_1 < t_2$, $\frac{k_{t_1} + k_{t_2}}{2} \in \mathbb{Z}$, $|\theta_u(t_1) - \theta_x(t_1)| \in (2k_t\pi - \theta_0, 2k_t\pi + \theta_0)$

$|\theta_u(t_2) - \theta_x(t_2)| \in (2k_t\pi - \theta_0, 2k_t\pi + \theta_0)$ Note $\theta_0 \in (0, \pi/2]$

As $\theta_u(t) - \theta_x(t)$ is continuous with respect to t , there must exist $t_3 \in (t_1, t_2)$

s.t. $\theta_u(t_3) - \theta_x(t_3) = 2\pi \cdot \min(k_{t_1}, k_{t_2}) + \pi$, if ε_2 is small enough and thus θ_0 is small

enough. But $\cos(\theta_u(t_3) - \theta_x(t_3)) = -1$ violating (**). Thus there is a $k \in \mathbb{Z}$,

s.t. $\forall t \in [a, b]$, $|\theta_u(t) - \theta_x(t)| \in (2k\pi - \theta_0, 2k\pi + \theta_0)$

But $|k(\varphi_u) - k(\varphi_x)| = \frac{1}{2\pi} |(\theta_u(b) - \theta_u(a)) - (\theta_x(b) - \theta_x(a))|$

$$\leq \frac{1}{2\pi} (|\theta_u(b) - \theta_x(b)| + |\theta_u(a) - \theta_x(a)|)$$

$$= \frac{1}{2\pi} |(\theta_u(b) - \theta_x(b)) - (\theta_u(a) - \theta_x(a))|$$

$$\forall u \in [a, b] \quad \varepsilon_2 \in (0, 1/2) \quad < \frac{1}{2\pi} 2\theta_0 = \frac{\theta_0}{\pi} \quad \text{It's to make } \theta_0 \text{ sufficiently small to ensure } \varepsilon_2$$

So $\forall \varepsilon_2 = 1 - \cos(\varepsilon_2\pi)$, $\varepsilon_1 = \sqrt{2\varepsilon_2}$, s.t. $\forall x \in (u - \varepsilon_1, u + \varepsilon_1) \cap [0, 1]$,

$|k(\varphi_x) - k(\varphi_u)| < \varepsilon_2$. So $k(\varphi_u)$ is a continuous function of u

Finally, as $k(\varphi_u)$ can only assume integer value, $k(\varphi_0) = k(\varphi_1)$

Note: φ can be on any $[c, d]$ ($c, d \neq \infty$) and $k(\varphi_c) = k(\varphi_d)$

11.8 (a) $\forall n$. define $\alpha(t) = (\cos nt, \sin nt)$, i.e. $\alpha(t) = (\frac{1}{n} \sin nt, \frac{1}{n} \cos nt)$

Then following Example 2 on Pg 75, $\int_0^{2\pi} \eta = n \int_0^{2\pi} \frac{1}{\cos^2 t + \sin^2 t} dt = 2n\pi$

i.e. the rotation index of α is n .

(b) We follow the definitions of φ, ψ, ϕ as in the hint, but define to more formally.

Let $u \in \mathbb{R}^2, u \neq 0$ define $h(t) = \alpha(t) \cdot u$. Since α is compact, h must attain its minimum θ , say, at t_0 . By Lagrange multiplier Thm, $\alpha(t_0) = \lambda u$.

So $h'(t_0) = \dot{\alpha}(t_0) \cdot u = 0$, i.e. $\dot{\alpha}(t_0) \perp u$. By definition, ϕ is continuous.

$k(\varphi_0)$ is the rotation index of α , because $\varphi_0(t) = \psi(t, t) = \dot{\alpha}(t) / \|\dot{\alpha}(t)\|$.

As for $k(\varphi_1)$, when $t \in (t_0, t_0 + \tau/2]$ $\varphi_1(t) = \psi(t_0, t_0 + 2t) = (\alpha(t_0 + 2t) - \alpha(t_0)) / \|\alpha(t_0 + 2t) - \alpha(t_0)\|$

Now the η is exact because $\varphi_1(t) \cdot u \geq 0$ and we can set $v = -u$, and have $\varphi_1(t) \cdot v \leq 0$

$V = \mathbb{R}^2 - \{rv \mid r > 0\}$, η is exact on V . Here $\varphi_1(t) \cdot u \geq 0$, because $\forall t$

$h(t) \geq h(t_0) \Rightarrow (\alpha(t) - \alpha(t_0)) \cdot u \geq 0 \Rightarrow \varphi_1(t) \cdot u \geq 0$ ($t \in (t_0, t_0 + \tau/2]$)

So $\int_{\varphi_1} \eta = \theta_V(\varphi_1(t_0 + \tau/2)) - \theta_V(\varphi_1(t_0)) = \theta_V(-\dot{\alpha}(t_0) / \|\dot{\alpha}(t_0)\|) - \theta_V(\dot{\alpha}(t_0) / \|\dot{\alpha}(t_0)\|)$

$$= \pm \pi$$

For $t \in (t_0 + \tau/2, t_0 + \tau]$, $\varphi_1(t) = \psi(2t - t_0 - \tau, t_0 + \tau) = (\alpha(t_0) - \alpha(2t - t_0 - \tau)) / \|\alpha(t_0) - \alpha(2t - t_0 - \tau)\|$