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Let  $\Delta$  be the open unit disc in C,  $\partial \Delta$  its boundary and  $B \subset \partial \Delta$  a relatively open set. Let X be a complex Banach space. Denote by  $H_B(\Delta, X)$  the set of all continuous functions from  $\Delta \cup B$  to X which are analytic on  $\Delta$ . A set  $P \subset X$  is said to have the analytic extension property with respect to  $H_B(\Delta, X)$  if for each relatively closed set  $F \subset B$  of Lebesgue measure 0 and for each continuous function  $f: F \to P$  there exists  $g \in H_B(\Delta, X)$  with  $g \mid F = f$  and  $g(\Delta \cup B) \subset P$ .

THEOREM. Let  $P \subset X$  be an open set. Then P has the analytic extension property with respect to  $H_B(\mathcal{A}, X)$  for every relatively open  $B \subset \partial \mathcal{A}$  if and only if P is connected.

By a result of E. A. Heard and J. H. Wells any closed disc in *C* has the analytic extension property with respect to  $H_B(\mathcal{A}, C)$  for every relatively open  $B \subset \partial \mathcal{A}$  (see [9]). The special case  $B = \partial \mathcal{A}$  is the well known Rudin-Carleson theorem (see [4], [10], [12]). This result was generalized to the vector case by proving that every closed ball in X has the analytic extension property with respect to  $H_B(\mathcal{A}, X)$  for every relatively open  $B \subset \partial \mathcal{A}$  (see [6]), the special case  $B = \partial \mathcal{A}$  is the Rudin-Carleson theorem for vector-valued functions (see [5], [11], [14]).

It is a natural question whether the balls above can be replaced by some other sets:

Problem (see [8]). Obtain a (geometrical, topological) characterization of the sets having the analytic extension property with respect to  $H_{\mathbb{B}}(\Delta, X)$  for every relatively open  $B \subset \partial \Delta$ .

It seems that this problem is not solved even for the subsets of C.

Taking  $B = \partial \Delta$ ,  $F = \{-1, 1\}$  it is trivial to see that every set having the analytic extension property with respect to  $H_B(\Delta, X)$  for every relatively open  $B \subset \partial \Delta$ , is pathwise connected. The converse is not true in general as shown by taking  $P = \{t: 0 \leq t \leq 1\}$ . However, the converse turns out to be true for open sets and this is the main result of the present paper.

Throughout, we denote by  $\overline{A}$  the closure of A. Given r > 0 we denote by  $B_r(X)$  the open ball in X of radius r, centered at the origin. If K is a compact Hausdorff space we denote by C(K, X)

the space of all continuous functions from K to X. By  $A(\Delta, X)$  we denote the Banach space of all continuous functions from  $\overline{\Delta}$  to X, analytic on  $\Delta$ , with sup norm, and we write  $A = A(\Delta, C)$ . We write  $I = \{t: 0 \leq t \leq 1\}$  and we denote the set of all positive integers by N.

For the proof of theorem we shall need four lemmas.

LEMMA 1. Suppose that G is a closed subset of  $\partial \Delta$  of Lebesgue measure 0 and let  $U(G) \subset \overline{\Delta}$  be a neighbourhood of G. Let  $p: I \to X$  be a path in a complex Banach space X and let  $\varepsilon > 0$  be arbitrary. There exists  $\phi \in A(\Delta, X)$  having the following properties:

- (i)  $|| \phi(z) p(1) || < \varepsilon \ (z \in G)$
- (ii)  $|| \phi(z) p(0) || < \varepsilon \ (z \in \overline{A} U(G))$
- (iii)  $\phi(\overline{A}) \subset p(I) + B_{\varepsilon}(X).$

*Proof.* By the Mergelyan theorem for analytic functions into a Banach space (see [3]) there exists a polynomial  $f: C \rightarrow X$  satisfying  $|| f(z) - p(z) || < \varepsilon$  ( $z \in I$ ). By the continuity of f there exists an open neighbourhood V of I such that  $f(V) \subset p(I) + B_{\epsilon}(X)$ . Let  $W \subset V$  be an open set, bounded by a Jordan curve, containing the point 1 in its boundary and satisfying  $I - \{1\} \subset W, \ \overline{W} \subset V$ . Let  $T \subset W$  be a neighbourhood of the point 0 in W such that  $|| f(z) - p(0) || < \varepsilon$  ( $z \in T$ ). Assume for a moment that  $\alpha \in A$  satisfies  $\alpha(\overline{A}) \subset \overline{W}, \ \alpha(G) = \{1\} \text{ and } \alpha(\overline{A} - U(G)) \subset T.$  Then it is easy to check that  $\phi = f \circ \alpha$  has all the required properties. It remains to prove the existence of such an  $\alpha$ . By the Riemann mapping theorem (see [13]) there exists a homeomorphism  $\beta$  from  $\overline{\mathcal{A}}$  onto  $\overline{W}$ , analytic on  $\varDelta$  and satisfying  $\beta(0) = 0$ ,  $\beta(1) = 1$ . Let  $S \subset \varDelta$  be a neighbourhood of 0 such that  $\beta(S) \subset T$ . By the Rudin-Carleson theorem (see [12]) there exists  $\gamma \in A$  satisfying  $\gamma(\overline{A}) \subset \overline{A}$ ,  $\gamma(G) = \{1\}$ . Also (see [15], p. 205) there exists  $\psi \in A$  satisfying  $\psi(\overline{A}) \subset \overline{A}$ ,  $\psi(G) = \{1\}, |\psi(z)| < 1$  $(z \in \overline{A} - G)$ . Let  $U_1 \subset U(G)$  be an open subset of  $\overline{A}$  containing G. Now  $\overline{A} - U_1$  is a compact set disjoint from G and it follows that for sufficiently large  $n \in N$  we have  $\psi^n(z) \cdot \gamma(z) \in S$   $(z \in \overline{A} - U_1)$ . Now putting  $\alpha(z) = \beta[\psi^n(z) \cdot \gamma(z)]$   $(z \in \overline{A})$  it is easy to see that  $\alpha$  has all the required properties.

LEMMA 2. Let X be a complex Banach space and let Q be an open connected subset of X. Given a compact subset K of Q and a point  $x \in K$  there exists  $\delta_0 > 0$  such that for every  $\delta: 0 < \delta < \delta_0$  there exists a path  $p: I \to X$  satisfying

- (i) p(0) = x
- (ii)  $K \subset p(I) + B_{\delta}(X)$
- (iii)  $p(I) + B_{6\delta}(X) \subset Q$ .

**Proof.** By the compactness of K there exists an  $\varepsilon > 0$  such that  $K + B_{7\varepsilon}(X) \subset Q$ . Cover K by a finite number of balls, say by  $B_1, B_2, \dots, B_n$  of radii  $\varepsilon$  whose centers lie in K. With no loss of generality assume that the center of  $B_1$  is x. By the connectedness of Q there exists a path  $q: I \to X$ , satisfying  $q(I) \subset Q$ , q(0) = x, and connecting the centers of all  $B_i$ . By the compactness of q(I) there exists  $\delta_0: 0 < \delta_0 < \varepsilon$  such that  $q(I) + B_{\varepsilon\delta_0}(X) \subset Q$ . Let  $\delta$  satisfy  $0 < \delta < \delta_0$  and cover K by a finite number of balls  $D_1, D_2, \dots, D_m$  of radii  $\delta$  whose centers lie in K. Let  $1 \leq i \leq n$ . Consider those balls  $D_k$  whose centers lie in  $B_i$ . Connect all these centers by a path  $p_i$  starting and ending at the center of  $B_i$  and satisfying  $p_i(I) \subset B_i$ . Having done this for all i, denote by  $q_i$   $(1 \leq i \leq n - 1)$  the part of the path q between the centers of  $B_i, B_{i+1}$ . Now define p as the sum of the paths

$$p = \sum_{i=1}^{n-1} \left( p_i + q_i 
ight) + \, p_n \; .$$

If  $s \in I$  is such that p(s) is in none of the balls  $B_i$   $(1 \leq i \leq n)$  then  $p(s) \in q(I)$  and consequently  $p(s) + B_{6i}(X) \subset q(I) + B_{6i_0}(X) \subset Q$ . If  $s \in I$  is such that p(s) is in some  $B_i$  then  $p(s) + B_{6i}(X) \subset B_i + B_{6i_0}(X) \subset K + B_{7i}(X) \subset Q$ . On the other hand, if  $y \in K$  then  $y \in D_k$  for some ball  $D_k$  whose center is contained in p(I) which means that  $y \in p(I) + B_i(X)$ .

LEMMA 3. Let  $F \subset \partial \Delta$  be a closed set of Lebesgue measure 0 and let  $U(F) \subset \overline{\Delta}$  be a neighbourhood of F. Suppose that Q is an open connected set in a complex Banach space X containing the point 0. Let  $\varepsilon > 0$  be arbitrary. Given  $f \in C(F, X)$  satisfying  $f(F) \subset Q$  there exists  $\tilde{f} \in A(\Delta, X)$  satisfying

 $\begin{array}{ll} (\ {\rm i}\ ) & \widetilde{f} \mid F = f \\ (\ {\rm ii}\ ) & \widetilde{f}(\bar{J}) \subset Q \\ (\ {\rm iii}\ ) & \parallel \widetilde{f}(z) \parallel < \varepsilon \ (z \in \bar{J} - \ U(F)). \end{array}$ 

*Proof.*  $f(F) \cup \{0\}$  is a compact set contained in Q. By Lemma 2 there exists  $\delta: 0 < \delta < \varepsilon/5$  and a path  $p: I \to X$  satisfying  $f(F) \subset p(I) + B_{\delta}(X)$ ,  $p(I) + B_{\delta\delta}(X) \subset Q$  and p(0) = 0. Since F is a compact set the function f is uniformly continuous on F. By the assumption F is nowhere dense on  $\partial A$ . It follows that

$$F = igcup_{i=1}^n F_i$$

where  $F_i \subset \partial A$  are disjoint closed sets such that

$$\| f(\eta) - f(\zeta) \| < \delta \quad (\eta, \zeta \in F_i; \ 1 \leq i \leq n) \;.$$

Let  $U_i$   $(1 \leq i \leq n)$  be disjoint open subsets of  $\overline{A}$  satisfying  $F_i \subset U_i \subset U(F)$   $(1 \leq i \leq n)$ . Since  $f(F) \subset p(I) + B_i(X)$  there exist  $t_i \in I$  and  $z_i \in F_i$   $(1 \leq i \leq n)$  such that

$$|| p(t_i) - f(z_i) || < \delta \quad (1 \leq i \leq n) .$$

Applying Lemma 1 to the paths  $t \mapsto p(t_i t)$   $(1 \leq i \leq n)$  there exist functions  $\phi_i \in A(\mathcal{A}, X)$   $(1 \leq i \leq n)$  satisfying

$$egin{array}{l} || \, \phi_i(z) - p(t_i) \, || < \delta \quad (z \in F_i) \ || \, \phi_i(z) \, || < \delta/n \quad (z \in ar{\mathcal{A}} - U_i) \ \phi_i(ar{\mathcal{A}}) \subset p(I) + B_\delta(X) \;. \end{array}$$

Now define  $\Psi \in A(\varDelta, X)$  by

$$\Psi = \sum_{i=1}^n \phi_i$$

If  $z \in \varDelta - \bigcup_{i=1}^{n} U_i$  then

$$\| arpsi (z) \| \leqq \sum_{i=1}^n \| \phi_i (z) \| < n \; . \hspace{1em} \delta/n = \delta_{-}.$$

If  $z \in U_i$  for some *i* then  $z \notin U_j$   $(i \neq j)$  and

$$\varPsi(z)=\phi_{\mathfrak{s}}(z)+\sum_{j=1\atop j
eq i}^{n}\phi_{j}(z)\in p(I)+B_{\mathfrak{s}}(X)+B_{\mathfrak{s}}(X)\subset p(I)+B_{\mathfrak{z}\mathfrak{s}}(X)\;.$$

Consequently  $\Psi(\overline{A}) \subset p(I) + B_{zs}(X)$ . Now define  $\Theta \in C(F, X)$  by  $\Theta(z) = \Psi(z) - f(z) \ (z \in F)$ . If  $z \in F$  then  $z \in F_i$  for some *i* and consequently

$$egin{aligned} \| \, artheta(z) \, \| & \leq \| \, arphi(z) - p(t_i) \, \| + \| \, p(t_i) - f(z_i) \, \| + \| \, f(z_i) - f(z) \, \| \ & \leq \sum_{\substack{j=1\ j 
eq i}}^n \| \, \phi_i(z) \, \| + \| \, \phi_i(z) - p(t_i) \, \| + 2 \delta \ . \ & < 4 \delta \ . \end{aligned}$$

By the Rudin-Carleson theorem for vector valued functions there exists  $\widetilde{\Theta} \in A(\Delta, X)$  satisfying  $||\widetilde{\Theta}|| < 4\delta$ ,  $\widetilde{\Theta} | F = \Theta$ . Finally, define  $\widetilde{f}(z) = \Psi(z) - \widetilde{\Theta}(z) \ (z \in \overline{\Delta})$ . Clearly  $\widetilde{f} \in A(\Delta, X)$ . Further,  $\widetilde{f}(\overline{\Delta}) \subset p(I) + B_{2\delta}(X) \subset P(I) + B_{6\delta}(X) \subset Q$ . Clearly  $\widetilde{f} | F = f$ . Also, if  $z \in \overline{\Delta} - U(F)$  then  $z \in \overline{\Delta} - \bigcup_{i=1}^{n} U_i$  hence  $||\widetilde{f}(z)|| \leq ||\Psi(z)|| + ||\widetilde{\Theta}(z)|| < \delta + 4\delta < \varepsilon$ .

LEMMA 4. Let E be closed subset of  $\partial \Delta$  and let  $G \subset \partial \Delta - E$  be a relatively closed set of Lebesgue measure 0. Let  $H \subset \partial \Delta - E$  be a compact set of Lebesgue measure 0, disjoint from G. Let Q be an open connected set in a complex Banach space X containing the point 0 and suppose that  $f \in C(H, X)$  satisfies  $f(H) \subset Q$ .

There exists  $\delta_0 > 0$  such that for every  $\delta: 0 < \delta < \delta_0$  and for

every  $\varepsilon: 0 < \varepsilon < \delta$  and for every neighbourhood  $U \subset \overline{A} - E$  of Hthere exists a continuous function  $\tilde{f}: \overline{A} - E \to X$ , analytic on A and satisfying

 $\begin{array}{ll} (\ {\rm i}\ ) & \widetilde{f} \mid H = f \\ (\ {\rm ii}\ ) & \widetilde{f} \mid G = 0 \\ (\ {\rm iii}\ ) & \mid |\widetilde{f}(z) \mid \mid < \varepsilon \ (z \in (\overline{\varDelta} - E) - E) - U) \\ (\ {\rm iv}\ ) & f(\overline{\varDelta} - E) + B_{\delta}(X) \subset Q. \end{array}$ 

*Proof.* With no loss of generality we may assume that  $U \cap G = \emptyset$ . By Lemma 2 there exists  $\delta_0 > 0$  such that for every  $\delta: 0 < \delta < \delta_0$ there exists a path  $p: I \to X$  satisfying p(0) = 0,  $f(H) \subset p(I) + B_{\delta}(X)$ ,  $p(I) + B_{\delta\delta}(X) \subset Q$ . Let  $0 < \delta < \delta_0$  and  $0 < \varepsilon < \delta$ . Applying Lemma 3 to the function f and to the (open connected) set  $p(I) + B_{\delta}(X)$  there exists  $\tilde{f}_1 \in A(\Delta, X)$  satisfying

$$egin{array}{l} \widetilde{f}_1 \mid H = f \ \widetilde{f}_1(ar{\mathcal{J}}) + B_{3\delta}(X) \subset Q \ \mid\mid \widetilde{f}_1(z) \mid\mid < arepsilon/2 \ (z \in ar{\mathcal{J}} - \ U) \ . \end{array}$$

Define

$$f_{\scriptscriptstyle 2}(s) = egin{cases} - \widetilde{f}_{\scriptscriptstyle 1}(s) & (s \in G) \ 0 & (s \in H) \ . \end{cases}$$

Then  $f_2$  is continuous on  $G \cup H$  and satisfies  $||f_2(s)|| < \varepsilon/2$   $(s \in G \cup H)$ . By Theorem 2 in [6] there exists a continuous function  $\tilde{f}_2: \overline{A} - E \to X$ , analytic on  $\Delta$ , satisfying  $\tilde{f}_2 | G \cup H = f_2$  and  $||\tilde{f}_2(z)|| \leq \varepsilon/2$   $(z \in \overline{A} - E)$ . Put  $\tilde{f} = \tilde{f}_1 + \tilde{f}_2$ . It is easy to check that  $\tilde{f}$  has all the required properties.

Proof of theorem. Let Q be an open connected subset of a complex Banach space X. Let  $E \subset \partial \Delta$  be a closed set and let  $F \subset \partial \Delta - E$  be a relatively closed set of Lebesgue measure 0. Suppose that  $f: F \to X$  is a continuous function satisfying  $f(F) \subset Q$ . We will prove that there exists a continuous extension  $\tilde{f}: \overline{\Delta} - E \to X, \tilde{f} \mid F = f$ , which is analytic on  $\Delta$  and which satisfies  $f(\overline{\Delta} - E) \subset Q$ .

If E is empty then the statement of the theorem is proved by Lemma 3. So assume that E is not empty. With no loss of generality assume that  $0 \in Q$ . As in [6] write  $F = \bigcup_{n=1}^{\infty} F_n$  where  $F_n \subset \overline{A} - E$  are compact sets such that there exist disjoint open sets  $U_n \subset \overline{A} - E$  satisfying  $F_n \subset U_n$  for all n.

Now we define inductively a sequence  $\{D_n\}$  of open subsets of  $\overline{A} - E$  satisfying  $F_n \subset D_n \subset U_n$  for all n, a decreasing sequence  $\{\delta_n\}$  of positive numbers and a sequence  $\{\phi_n\}$  of functions from  $\overline{A} - E$  to X having the following properties:

(i) for each  $i \in N$ ,  $\phi_i$  is continuous on  $\overline{\varDelta} - E$  and analytic on  $\varDelta$ 

- (ii)  $\phi_i | F_j = 0 \ (i \neq j; \ i, j \in N)$
- (iii)  $\phi_i \mid F_i = f \mid F_i \ (i \in N)$
- (iv)  $\phi_i(\overline{A} E) + B_{\delta_i}(X) \subset Q \ (i \in N)$
- $\| ( \mathrm{v} ) \ \| \phi_i(z) \| < \delta_i/2^{i+1} \ (z \in (ar{\mathcal{A}} E) D_i; \, i \in N)$
- (vi)  $||\sum_{j=1}^{i}\phi_{j}(z)|| < \delta_{i+1}/2$  ( $z \in D_{i+1}$ ;  $i \in N$ ).

If i = 1, put  $D_i = U_1$  and apply Lemma 4 to the function  $f | F_1$  to obtain  $\delta_1$  satisfying  $B_{\delta_1}(X) \subset Q$  and  $\phi_1$  which satisfies (i)-(v) above for i = 1. Now assume that  $\delta_i$ ,  $D_i$ ,  $\phi_i$   $(1 \leq i \leq n)$  are given satisfying (i)-(v) for  $1 \leq i \leq n$  and (vi)  $1 \leq i \leq n - 1$ . Applying Lemma 4 to the function  $f | F_{n+1}$  there exists  $\delta_{n+1}: 0 < \delta_{n+1} < \delta_n$  such that Lemma 4 holds for  $\delta = \delta_{n+1}$ . Since the function

$$z \longmapsto \sum_{j=1}^n \phi_j(z)$$

is continuous on  $\overline{A} - E$  and equal 0 on  $F_{n+1}$  there exists a neighbourhood  $D_{n+1} \subset \overline{A} - E$  of  $F_{n+1}$  satisfying  $D_{n+1} \subset U_{n+1}$  and such that (vi) is satisfied for i = n. Now, by Lemma 4 there exists  $\phi_{n+1}$  satisfying (i)-(v) for i = n + 1.

Define

$$\widetilde{f}(z) = \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} \phi_i(z) \quad (z \in \overline{\varDelta} - E) \;.$$

If  $z \in (\overline{A} - E) - \bigcup_{j=1}^{\infty} D_j$  then  $||\phi_i(z)|| < \delta_i/2^{i+1} < \delta_1/2^{i+1}$ . Consequently the series converges uniformly for all such z. By

$$\sum\limits_{i=1}^\infty || \, \phi_i(z) \, || < \delta_1/2$$

and by  $B_{\delta_1}(X) \subset Q$  we have  $f(z) \in Q$  for all such z. Suppose that  $z \in D_k$  for some k. Then  $z \notin D_j$  for  $j \neq k$  and by the above argument the series converges uniformly on  $D_k$ . Further, by (v) and (vi) we have

$$\left\|\sum_{j=1\atop j
eq k}^{\infty}\phi_j(z)
ight\|\leq \left\|\sum_{j=1}^{k-1}\phi_j(z)
ight\|+\sum_{j=k+1}^{\infty}||\,\phi_j(z)\,||<\delta_k/2+\delta_k/2=\delta_k\;.$$

Consequently by (iv)  $f(z) \in \phi_k(\overline{A} - E) + B_{\delta_k}(X) \subset Q$ . Since each compact subset of  $\overline{A} - E$  misses all but a finite number of the sets  $D_i$  the series converges uniformly on compact subsets of  $\overline{A} - E$ . Consequently  $\tilde{f}$  is continuous on  $\overline{A} - E$ , analytic on A and, as shown above, satisfies  $\tilde{f}(\overline{A} - E) \subset Q$ . By the properties of  $\phi_i$  we have also  $\tilde{f} | F = f$ .

COROLLARY (see [7]). Given any open connected subset Q of a

separable complex Banach space X there exists an analytic function  $\tilde{f}: \Delta \to X$  whose range is contained and dense in Q.

*Proof.* Put  $E = \{1\}$  and let  $F = \{z_n\} \subset \partial \varDelta - \{1\}$  be an injective sequence converging to 1. Let  $f(z_n) = w_n$  where  $\{w_n\} \subset Q$  is a sequence dense in Q and then apply theorem.

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