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From Lemma 3.5, it follows then that

$$B \subseteq \bigcup_{\varepsilon_1, \ldots, \varepsilon_{35} \in \{0, 1\}} \left[\left(\sum_{j=1}^n \varepsilon_j z^j \right) + \left(\frac{1}{2} + O(|\delta|) \right) z^n B \right]$$

so for sufficiently small δ , we may apply Lemma 3.1 to deduce $z \in \overline{W}$.

We now combine all the results of this section.

THEOREM 3.1. There is an open neighborhood of $\{z: |z| = 1, z \neq 1\}$ contained in \overline{W} .

Proof. Apply Propositions 3.2 and 3.3. \Box

COROLLARY 3.1. If $z \in (-1, -1 + \delta)$ for sufficiently small δ then z is a multiple zero of some 0, 1 power series.

Proof. By Theorem 3.1, if δ is small enough we can pick 0, 1 power series f_n and zeros z_n of f_n such that $z_n \notin \mathbf{R}$ and $z_n \to z$ as $n \to \infty$. By taking a subsequence we may assume that the coefficient of z^k in f_n is eventually constant for large n, for each k. By a Rouché's Theorem argument, the pairs of zeros $\{z_n, \bar{z}_n\}$ of f_n must converge to (at least) a double zero at z of $\lim_{n \to \infty} f_n$. \square

4. \bar{W} is connected

Since W is countable, we cannot hope to prove W is connected. We prove instead that \overline{W} is connected. First we need some topological lemmas.

Give $\{0, 1\}$ the discrete topology and $\{0, 1\}^{\omega}$ the product topology, as usual. If $v = (v_1, v_2, ..., v_n)$ is a finite vector of 0's and 1's, let S_v be the set of sequences in $\{0, 1\}^{\omega}$ which start with v. The following lemma is the key ingredient in the connectivity proof.

LEMMA 4.1. Let Y be a topological space. Suppose $f: \{0, 1\}^{\omega} \to Y$ is a continuous map such that

$$(4.1) f(S_{v0}) \cap f(S_{v1}) \neq \emptyset$$

for all $v \in \{0, 1\}^n$, and all $n \ge 0$. (Here v0 denotes the vector v with 0 appended, etc.) Then the image of f is path connected.

Proof. Let $w(0) = f(x'_0)$ and $w(1) = f(x_1)$ be elements of the image we wish to connect by a path. Find $x_{1/2}$, $x'_{1/2} \in \{0, 1\}^{\omega}$ such that x'_0 , $x_{1/2}$ have the same first coordinate, and $x'_{1/2}$, x_1 have the same first coordinate and $f(x_{1/2}) = f(x'_{1/2})$. (If x'_0 , x_1 have the same first coordinate, take $x_{1/2} = x'_{1/2} = x'_0$; otherwise apply the hypothesis (4.1) with v as the empty vector.) Let w(1/2) be this common value.

Next find $x_{1/4}$, $x'_{1/4} \in \{0, 1\}^{\omega}$, using the same argument, such that x'_0 , $x_{1/4}$ agree in the first two coordinates, $x'_{1/4}$, $x_{1/2}$ agree in the first two coordinates, and $f(x_{1/4}) = f(x'_{1/4})$. Let w(1/4) be this common value. Do the analogous thing at 3/4.

By induction, we may continue to define $x_{d/2^n}$, $x'_{d/2^n}$, $w(d/2^n)$ at all dyadic rationals $d/2^n$ in [0, 1], such that $x'_{d/2^n}$ and $x_{(d+1)/2^n}$ agree in the first n coordinates and

$$w(d/2^n) = f(x_{d/2^n}) = f(x'_{d/2^n})$$
.

By induction, we see that all the x'_q with $q \in [d/2^n, (d+1)/2^n)$ agree in the first n coordinates. Hence for

$$r = \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} \varepsilon_i 2^{-i} \in [0, 1], \quad \varepsilon_i \in \{0, 1\}$$

not a dyadic rational, we may define

$$x_r = x'_r = \lim_{n \to \infty} x'_{\sigma(n)}$$
 where $\sigma(n) = \sum_{i=1}^n \varepsilon_i 2^{-i}$,

and $w(r) = f(x_r)$. Then w maps $\left[\frac{d}{2^n}, \frac{(d+1)}{2^n}\right]$ into $f(S_v)$ where $v \in \{0, 1\}^n$ is the first n coordinates of x'_r , $r \in \left[\frac{d}{2^n}, \frac{(d+1)}{2^n}\right]$ and of $x_{(d+1)/2^n}$.

We now show that w is continuous at $r \in [0, 1]$. Let U be an open set of Y containing w(r). Then $f^{-1}(U)$ contains S_v and $S_{v'}$ for some finite substrings v, v' of x_r , x'_r respectively, by continuity of f. By the last sentence of the previous paragraph it follows that

$$w^{-1}(U) \supseteq w^{-1}(f(S_v) \cup f(S_{v'}))$$

will contain a neighborhood of r.

Thus $w: [0, 1] \to \text{image } (f)$ is a continuous path, and image (f) is path connected. \square

Let M be a topological space. Give M^n the product topology and let the symmetric group S_n act on M^n by permuting the coordinates. The space

 M^n/S_n , which parameterizes *n*-element multisets, can be given the quotient topology.

LEMMA 4.2. If $A \subseteq M^n/S_n$ is connected, and the multiset $\{P, P, ..., P\}$ is in A for some $P \in M$, then the subset $B \subseteq M$ of all coordinates of points in A is connected.

Proof. Suppose not. Then there are open sets $U, V \subseteq M$ such that $U \cap B$ and $V \cap B$ are disjoint nonempty sets with union B. Without loss of generality, $P \in U$. Let

$$U' = U \times U \times \cdots \times U,$$

$$V' = (V \times M \times M \times \cdots \times M)$$

$$\cup (M \times V \times M \times \cdots \times M)$$

$$\vdots$$

$$\cup (M \times M \times M \times \cdots \times V).$$

Then U', V' are open sets in M^n which are stable under S_n , so they project to open sets U'', V'' in M^n/S_n . Also $A \subseteq U'' \cup V''$ since a point in A must have all coordinates in U, or else at least one coordinate in $B \setminus U \subseteq V$. Furthermore $P \in U'' \cap A$, and $V'' \cap A$ is nonempty also, since at least one point of A has a coordinate in V, since $V \cap B \neq \emptyset$. Finally $U'' \cap V'' \cap A = \emptyset$, since it is not possible for a point of A to have all coordinates in U, yet have some coordinate in V. This contradicts the connectedness of A. \square

Theorem 4.1. \bar{W} is connected.

Proof. First we show that for $\delta \in (0, 1)$,

$$\overline{W}_{\delta} = (\overline{W} \cap \{z : |z| \leqslant 1\}) \cup \{z : 1 - \delta \leqslant |z| \leqslant 1\}$$

is connected. The idea is to apply Lemma 4.1 to the function f which assigns to $(\varepsilon_1, \varepsilon_2, ...)$ the set of zeros of

$$1 + \varepsilon_1 z + \varepsilon_2 z^2 + \cdots$$

inside $\{z: |z| < 1 - \delta\}$. To make a continuous map of this requires some manipulation.

By Jensen's theorem, as was shown in Section 2, there is an upper bound n on the number of zeros that a power series with 0, 1 coefficients can have inside $\{z: |z| < 1 - \delta\}$. Let M be $\{z: |z| \le 1\}$ with the annulus

 $\{z: 1-\delta \leqslant |z| \leqslant 1\}$ shrunk to a point P. (Therefore M is topologically a sphere.) To each power series $1+\sum_{i=1}^{\infty} \varepsilon_i z^i$, $\varepsilon_i \in \{0,1\}$, we assign the set of zeros inside $\{z: |z| < 1-\delta\}$, (counted with multiplicities) and throw in extra copies of the point P as necessary to bring the total number of points to n. Since the order of these n elements of M is unspecified, we obtain a point of M^n/S_n . Let $f((\varepsilon_1, \varepsilon_2, ...))$ be this point.

We claim that this map

$$f:\{0,1\}^{\omega}\to M^n/S_n$$

is continuous. This follows easily from Rouché's theorem; if two power series agree in the first m coordinates for m sufficiently large then their zeros inside $\{z: |z| < 1 - \delta\}$ will be within ε . Some may escape or enter the disk, but this is not a problem, since in the topology on M, P is close to all points z with |z| sufficiently near $1 - \delta$.

We next check condition (4.1) of Lemma 4.1. This is easily done using the following trick: given

$$v = (v_1, v_2, ..., v_n) \in \{0, 1\}^n$$

let $w = (v_1, v_2, ..., v_n, 1, v_1, v_2, ..., v_n)$. Then $v \in S_{v0}$, $w \in S_{v1}$, and f(v) = f(w) (we extend v, w to infinite vectors by appending 0's), since

$$1+v_1z+v_2z^2+\cdots+v_nz^n$$

and

$$1 + v_1 z + v_2 z^2 + \dots + v_n z^n + z^{n+1} + v_1 z^{n+2} + \dots + v_n z^{2n+1}$$

$$= (1 + v_1 z + v_2 z^2 + \dots + v_n z^n) (1 + z^{n+1})$$

have the same zeros inside $\{z: |z| < 1 - \delta\}$. Therefore we may apply Lemma 4.1 and deduce that the image of f is path connected.

Since f((0,0,...)) = (P,P,P,...,P), we may apply Lemma 4.2 with A = image(f) to deduce that \overline{W}_{δ} with the annulus $\{z: 1 - \delta \leq |z| \leq 1\}$ shrunk to a point P is a connected subset of M. This is equivalent to the connectivity of \overline{W}_{δ} .

Since $\overline{W} \cap \{\underline{z} : |z| \leq 1\}$ is the decreasing intersection of the compact connected sets $\overline{W}_{1/m}$, it too is connected. So is its image under $z \mapsto 1/z$. Finally, \overline{W} is the union of these two sets, which meet on the unit circle, so \overline{W} is connected as well. \square