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3190 Gofuku Toyama-shi 930-8555 Japan, Toyama. *Topological aspect of the Jacobian conjecture.*

Let  $\phi$  be a polynomial map of the complex planes  $\mathbf{C}^2$  defined by polynomials  $f(x, y), g(x, y) \in \mathbf{C}[x, y]$ . If we set  $t = y/x \in \mathbf{C}(x, y)$ , then we have  $F(T, X, Y)$  an irreducible polynomial in  $\mathbf{C}[T, X, Y] = \mathbf{C}^{[3]}$  defined by  $F(t, f, g) = 0$ . Given a small real number  $0 \leq \varepsilon$ , a subdomain  $D_\varepsilon = \{(t, f(u, tu), g(u, tu)) | t, u \in \mathbf{C}, |t| \leq \varepsilon\}$  of the affine hypersurface  $V(F) \subset \mathbf{C}^3$  is welldefined. For the proof of the Jacobian conjecture it is enough to prove the case where (1) the highest degree term of  $f$  is of the form  $y^m$ , and (2)  $\mathbf{C}(f, g, t) = \mathbf{C}(x, y)$ . Such a pair  $(f, g)$  with its Jacobian nonzero constant is called a standard Jacobian pair. We will talk about a topological characterization of  $D_\varepsilon$  in case of  $(f, g)$  a standard Jacobian pair as a graph of the locally homeomorphism  $\phi$ . (Received August 25, 2008)