Torsional rigidity and Euclidean moment of inertia

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[Saint-Venant, 1847]

$$P(\Omega) = 2 \iint_{\Omega} v(x, y) \, dx dy,$$

here v(x, y) is the solution of the Dirichlet problem for the Poisson equation $\Delta v = -2$, $v|_{\partial\Omega} = 0$.

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$$\rho(z,\Omega) \le R(z,\Omega) \le 4\rho(z,\Omega) \tag{1}$$

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[Avkhadiev,F.G. Solution of the generalized Saint Venant problem Mat. Sb., 1998, **189**(12), 3–12]

Theorem

For simply connected domains $\Omega \subset \mathbb{C}$

 $P(\Omega) \sim I(\partial \Omega) \sim I_c(\Omega)$

rather, the following chain of inequalities is valid:

 $I(\partial \Omega) \le I_c(\Omega) \le P(\Omega) \le 4I_c(\Omega) \le 64I(\partial \Omega)$ (2)

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Kovalev, L.V. (2002)

It is not true!

$$\frac{P(\Omega)}{I(\partial\Omega)} > 4$$

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Theorem

There exists the simply connected domain $\Omega\subset\mathbb{C}$ for which $P(\Omega)/I(\partial\Omega)>4.08$

Sector of radius $a \ (\alpha > \pi)$



$$I(\partial\Omega) = \frac{a^4}{360}(15(\alpha + \pi) - 64)$$

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 $\alpha > \alpha^* \approx 1,81948\pi (\approx 327,5^\circ)$

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Thank you for your attention!