

**ON SIMPLY-CONNECTED DOMAINS WITH CONNECTED  
PREIMAGE**

DAVID SIXSMITH

We consider the following straightforward question: does there exist a transcendental entire function  $f$ , and two disjoint simply-connected domains  $U$  and  $V$ , such that  $f^1(U)$  and  $f^1(V)$  are both connected? The answer is surprising, and contrary to a series of published proofs, dating back to 1970. As well as answering this question, we discuss the error in these proofs, and the dynamical questions that are reopened