

## Lecture 8 (continue §4.4)

### The Cantor's Intersection Thm

$$A_1 \supset A_2 \supset \dots$$

$$A_i \neq \emptyset$$

$$A_i \text{ is compact } \forall i \in \mathbb{N} \Rightarrow \bigcap_{i \geq 1} A_i \neq \emptyset$$

### The Cantor Set



$$S_0 = [0, 1]$$

$$S_1 = [0, 1/3] \cup [2/3, 1]$$

$$S_2 = [0, 1/9] \cup [2/9, 1/3] \cup [2/3, 7/9] \cup [8/9, 1]$$

$$S_3 = [0, 1/27] \cup [2/27, 1/9] \cup \dots \cup [26/27, 1]$$

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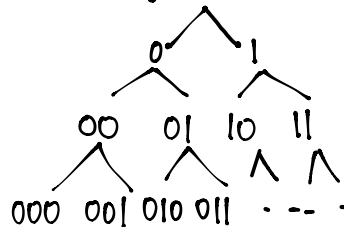
$S_{i+1}$  from  $S_i$  by taking out the middle third from each of the intervals of  $S_i$ .

$$S_i \neq \emptyset$$

$S_i$  are compact (closed & bounded)

$$C = \bigcap S_i \neq \emptyset$$

All of the endpoints of <sup>all of</sup> the intervals are in  $C$ .



Each path is a nested seq of interval

$$\bigcap_{i \geq 1} I_i \neq \emptyset$$

For each path  $\exists$  a non-empty intersection

(1)  $C$  is compact

$$(2) \overline{C} = C$$

(3)  $\text{int } C = \emptyset$ . suppose  $(a, b) \subset C \Rightarrow (a, b) \subset S_n \forall n$

$$b - a \leq 3^{-n}, \forall n \text{ not possible}$$

Def: A set whose closure has no interior is nowhere dense

$$\text{Ex: } \begin{cases} \mathbb{Q} \\ \text{int } \mathbb{R} = \mathbb{R} \end{cases} \quad \overline{\mathbb{Q}} = \mathbb{R}$$

$$\text{Note: } \begin{cases} \text{int } \overline{\mathbb{Q}} = \mathbb{R} \\ \text{int } \mathbb{Q} = \emptyset \end{cases}$$

Def: A point  $x \in A$  is called isolated if  $\exists \varepsilon > 0$  s.t.  $B_\varepsilon(x) \cap A = \{x\}$

$$M = \{1/n : n \in \mathbb{N}\}$$

Every point of  $M$  is an isolated pt.

$S = M \cup \{0\}$  is not b/c  $\{0\}$  is not isolated b/c  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} 1/n = 0$

Claim:  $C$  has no isolated pts ( $C$  is a perfect set)

Proof: Let  $x \in \mathbb{C}$ .

Case 1:  $x$  is not the right end-point of any interval.

For each  $n$  if  $x$  is in one of the interval  $x_n$

$$|x - x_n| \leq \frac{1}{3^n} \rightarrow 0$$

$$x_n \rightarrow x$$

Case 2: If  $x$  is the right-end point  $\Rightarrow$  let  $x_n$  be the left-end point.

Two sets  $A$  &  $B$  have the same cardinality if  $\exists$  a bijection  $f: A \rightarrow B$   
 $|A| = |B|$

$|A| \geq |B|$  if  $\exists$  injective func. from  $B \rightarrow A$

$|A| > |B|$  if  $\exists$  an injective map from  $B$  to  $A$ , but no bijection map.

if  $|S| = |\mathbb{N}| \Rightarrow S$  is a countable  
read as aleph-null written as  $\aleph_0$

$$|\mathbb{Q}| = |\mathbb{N}|$$

$$|\mathbb{R}| = \mathbb{C}$$

$$\mathbb{C} > \aleph_0$$

$$|[0, 1]| = \mathbb{C}$$

(cardinality of continuum)

Claim:  $|\mathbb{C}| = |[0, 1]|$

The Cantor-Bernstein-Schroeder thm

If  $\exists$  injective functions:

$$f: A \rightarrow B$$

$$g: B \rightarrow A \Rightarrow |A| = |B|$$

Consider the numbers in  $[0, 1]$

$$x = (x_0.x_1x_2x_3\cdots)_{\text{base } 3} = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} 3^{-k} x_k$$

$$\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{x_k}{3^k}, \quad x_i \in \{0, 1, 2\}$$

$$\frac{1}{3} = (.1) = (0.02222\cdots)$$

$S_1$  consists of all numbers of  $[0, 1]$  for which the first digit after a pt, is either 0 or 2.

$S_2$ : it will consist of the numbers s.t. their dec. expansion will have the first two digits after "." to either 0 or 2

$S_i$ : it will consist of all number of  $[0, 1]$  s.t. the first  $i$  terms are all either 0 or 2

$C$ : consists of all numbers of  $[0, 1]$  that have a ternary expansion using only 0's and 2's.

Goal is to construct an injective map (one-to-one map) from  $[0, 1] \rightarrow C$ .

Consider a binary expansion of number in  $[0, 1]$   $y = (0.y_1 y_2 y_3 \dots)_{\text{base } 2} \in [0, 1]$

$$\sum_{k \geq 0} \frac{y_k}{2^k} \quad y_k = \{0, 1\}$$

Note that some points have two expansions

$$\frac{1}{2} = 0.1 = 0.01111\dots$$

Pick the expansion that ends at 0's in this case.

$$x = (0.x_1 x_2 x_3 \dots x_i \dots)_{\text{base } 2}$$

$$\text{If } x_i = 0 \Rightarrow \tilde{x}_i = 0$$

$$\tilde{x}_i = 0$$

$$x_i = 1 \Rightarrow \tilde{x}_i = 2$$

one-to-one map