

Banach-Tarski

It's possible to divide up the ball D^3 :

$$D^3 = A_1 \cup A_2 \cup A_3 \cup A_4 \cup A_5 \quad (\text{disjoint})$$

Rotate and translate the A_i and reassemble into two D^3 's.

$$D^3 = A_1 \cup A_2 \cup A_3 \quad D^3 = A_4 \cup A_5$$

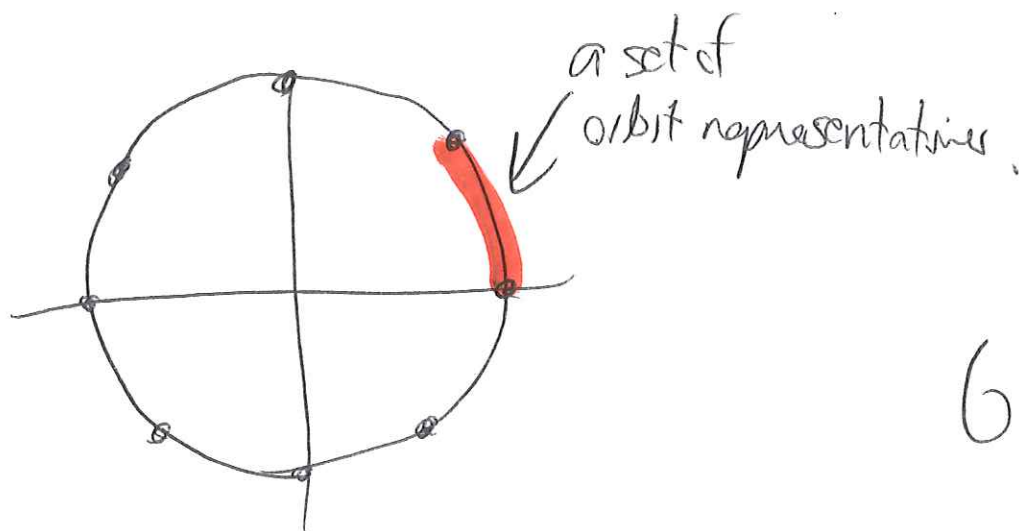
(last time: $G = \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{a set of transformations} \\ \text{e.g. all rotations by mult} \\ \text{of } \frac{\pi}{4} \text{ or mults of } 1 \text{ rad.} \end{array} \right\}$)

(rotations of circle)

Orbit representative

A set of orbit representatives M for G is a collection of points such that every point can be obtained by applying some transformation in G to a (unique) point in M .

$$G = \{ \text{rotations by } \pi/4 \}$$

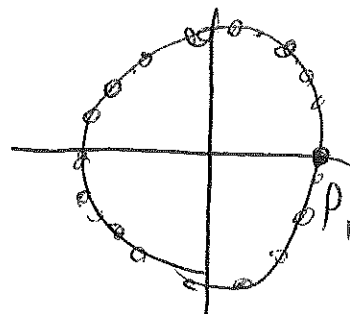


$$G = \{ \text{rotation by } 13^\circ \}$$

Can we find a set?
of orbit reps?

Algorithm: Pick a point P_1 on circle, and delete its full orbit. $\approx \mathbb{R} \setminus \mathbb{Q}$

Pick a remaining point P_2 , delete its full orbit. $\approx \mathbb{R} \setminus \mathbb{Q} \setminus \pi\mathbb{Q}$



Keep going until nothing left. What's left is the set $\{P_i\}$ is a set of orbit reps!

Another way to think about it:

G divides up the circle into an infinite infinite partition by orbits.

$$S' = \bigcup_{\text{circle}} O_\alpha$$

each O_α is orbit.

Pick a point P_α in each O_α . That's a set of ORS!

✓ combinations of rotation
 To represent an transformation in G , you can use
 a "word" like:

$A^{-1} B^3 A B A B A^{-2} B^{-3} A$

↑
 first do A

↑
 then B^{-1} 3 times

↑
 then A^{-1} 2 times.

Overrule: a word can't AA^{-1} , $A^{-1}A$, BB^{-1} , $B^{-1}B$.

Let $S(A) \subset G = \{ \text{all words starting with } A \}$

$S(A^{-1})$, $S(B)$, $S(B^{-1})$ similar

the empty
 thing

$\in S(A^{-1})$

$$G = S(A) \cup S(A^{-1}) \cup S(B) \cup S(B^{-1}) \cup \{e\}$$

$$G = A S(A^{-1}) \cup S(A)$$

and

$$G = B S(B^{-1}) \cup S(B)$$

First: divide up the sphere S^2 :

Let M be a set of orbit representatives for the rotations G on S^2 . (Weird set!)
 need choice.

$S(A)M =$ all points you can get by applying an $S(A)$ transformation to a point of M .
 \uparrow
 subset of sphere.

$S^2 = G M$ \leftarrow for every $p \in S^2$, can find $m \in M$ and a rotation g so $g(m) = p$.

$$S^2 = S(A)M \cup S(A^{-1})M \cup S(B)M$$

sphere

$$\cup S(B^{-1})M \cup M. \quad \text{five pieces!}$$

What are all words ~~of the form~~
equivalent to:

$$A S(A^{-1})$$

↑

A

↑

followed by a word starting A^{-1}

eg. BAB is $A(A^{-1}BAB)$, that counts:

$$BAB \in A S(A^{-1})$$

$$A^{-1}B^2A \text{ is } A(A^{-2}B^2A)$$

$$ABBA \text{ is } A(\underbrace{A^{-1}ABBA})$$

not a valid word!

$AS(A^{-1}) =$ all words, except those starting
with 'A'!

$$S^2 = S(A) M \cup S(A^{-1}) M \cup S(B) M \cup S(B^{-1}) M \cup M^{F_5}$$

↑ points obtained by rotating
some point of M where last
rotation used is an "A".

↑
things in M

what is ~~A~~

what do we get if we rotate every element
of F_2 by A ?

rotated F_2

$$AF_2 = \underbrace{AS(A^{-1})}_M M$$

$$AF_2 \cup F_1 = \underbrace{AS(A^{-1})}_M M \cup \underbrace{S(A)}_M M$$

$$= (AS(A^{-1}) \cup S(A)) M = GM = S^2$$

$$BF_4 \cup F_3 = S^2$$

F_5 is extra! (can be fixed)

Axiom of Choice (and ^{candidate} axiom of set theory)

Given any collection of sets U_α ,
it's possible to choose a p_α in
each U_α . ← indexed by reals, integers,
who knows

Other axioms of set theory: you can always take
union of two sets, etc.

// You can use it or not. Choice is not implied
// by the other axioms of set theory.

(Theorem: assuming choice won't lead to a
contradiction.)

You don't always need this axiom to make a choice.

Bertrand Russell: Imagine each U_α is a pair of shoes.

You can always take $p_\alpha = \text{left shoe}$.

But if each U_α is a pair of socks.

You need choice!

Axiom of Choice



Well-ordering Principle



Zorn's Lemma

"obviously true"

"obviously false"

"who knows"



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First, divide up the sphere S^2 :

(or

To divide up D^3 instead, just use our decomposition of sphere and ~~connect~~
divide up radially. (We'll ignore center.)

Proof for transcendental numbers existing:

- The set of all polynomials with rational coefficients is countable (HW!)
- Each one has only finitely many roots.

\Rightarrow Algebraic numbers are countable.

\mathbb{R} is uncountable, so non-algebraic numbers must exist!

Proof that π is irrational:

Suppose $f(x)$ is any function
Integrate

$\int f(x) \sin x \, dx$ by parts twice.

What do you get?

What is

$$\int_0^{\pi} f(x) \sin x \, dx$$

$$\int f(x) \sin x \, dx = -f(x) \cos x + \int f'(x) \cos x \, dx$$

$u = f'(x)$

$$\left. \begin{array}{ll} u = f(x) & v = -\cos x \\ du = f'(x) dx & dv = \sin x dx \end{array} \right\} = -f(x) \cos x$$

Actually finding a transcendental number is hard:

TT Works.

It's easier to prove:

$0 \cdot 1 \mid 1 \mid 0 \mid 0 \mid 0 \mid 1 \mid 0 \cdots 0 \mid$

$\begin{matrix} \uparrow & & \uparrow & & & & & \\ 1^{st} & 2^{nd} & 3 & 4 & 5 & 6 & & 24 \end{matrix}$

every $n!$ place put a 1:

$$L = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{10^n!}$$

"Liouville number" \rightarrow easier to prove it's transcendental.

$$\int f(x) \sin x = -f(x) \cos x + f'(x) \sin x - \int f''(x) \sin x \, dx$$

We'll use this with $f(x)$ a clever polynomial.