

Today: More dynamical systems,
more fractals.

HW $r=1$ logistic map

$$f(x) = x(1-x)$$

call x_n : so $x_{n+1} = x_n(1-x_n)$
Prove $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} f^n(x_0) = 0$.

Let $y_n = 1/x_n$, let's prove $y_n \rightarrow \infty$

$$y_{n+1} = \frac{1}{x_{n+1}} = \frac{1}{x_n(1-x_n)} = \frac{1}{1/y_n(1-1/y_n)}$$

$$= \frac{1}{\frac{1}{y_n} - \frac{1}{y_n^2}} = \frac{1}{\frac{y_n}{y_n^2} - \frac{1}{y_n^2}} = \frac{1}{\frac{y_n - 1}{y_n^2}}$$

$$= \frac{y_n^2}{y_n - 1} = \frac{y_n^2 - 1}{y_n - 1} + \frac{1}{y_n - 1} = y_n + 1 + \frac{1}{y_n - 1}$$

$$> y_n + 1$$

$0 < x_n < 1$
so $y_n > 1$
so $y_n - 1 > 0$

So
$$Y_{n+1} > Y_n + 1$$

this means $Y_n \rightarrow \infty$, so $X_n \rightarrow 0$.

Julia sets.

If c is a complex number,

let $f_c(z) = z^2 + c$.

there exists R

so $|f^n(z)| < R$ all n .

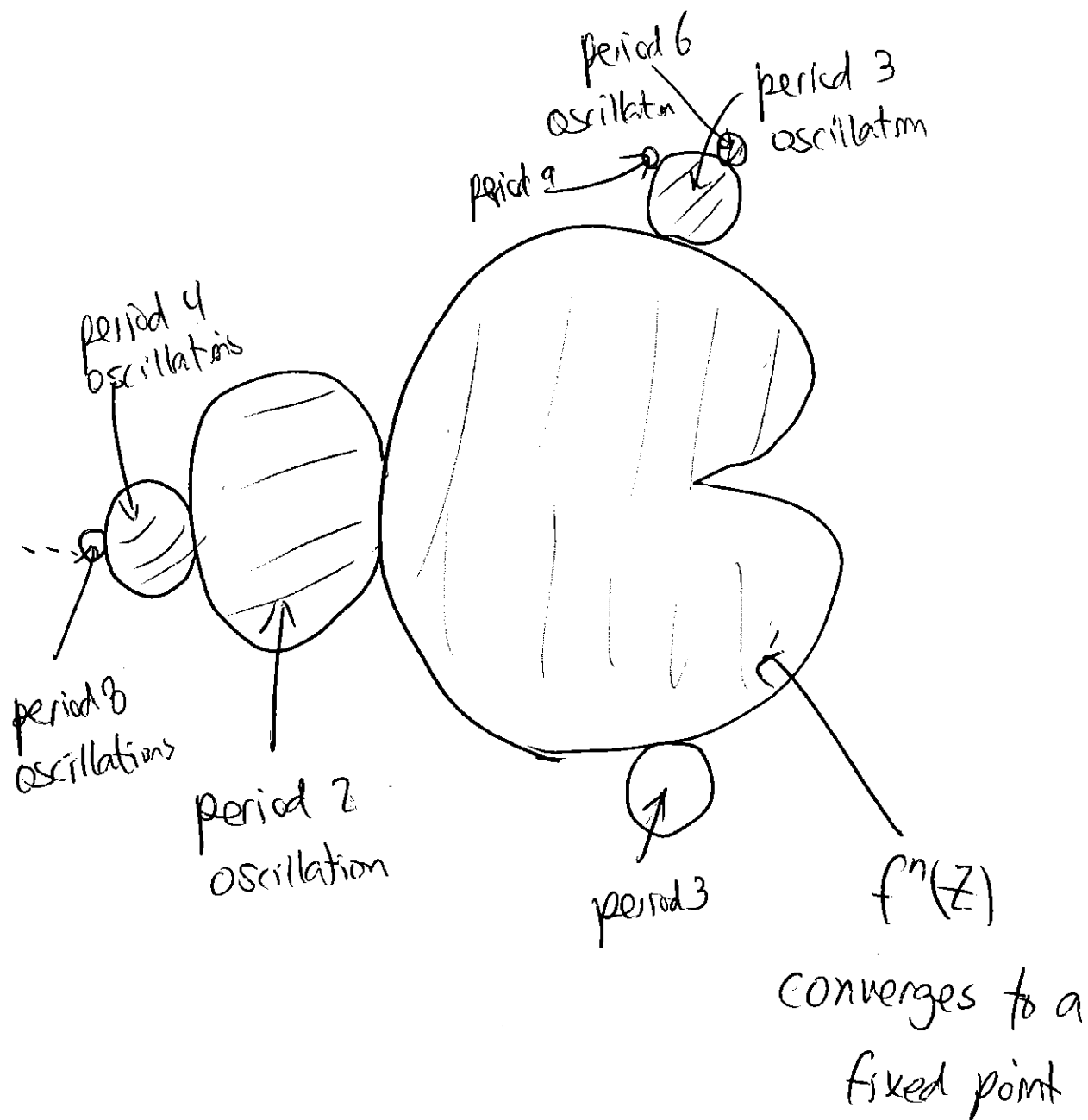
$J(c) = \{z : f_c^n(z) \text{ stays bounded as } n \rightarrow \infty\}$

Mandelbrot set

$M = \{c : J(c) \text{ is connected}\}$

"one piece"

$= \{c : 0 \text{ has bounded orbit under } f_c\}$



We've seen some examples of "chaos":

- never goes to ∞ , not bounded
- never repeats
- unpredictable: can't guess anything about $f^{1000}(z)$ without calculating it.
(unlike $r=1/2$ logistic map; then $f^{1000}(z) \approx 0$)
- nearby starting pt have different behavior.
("butterfly effect")

How can we define chaos more precisely?

Warm-up How do we define dimension?

(of a fractal, or a non-fractal)

What is dimension of a geometric object?

- How many "independent" directions can we go?

- Number of ^{orthogonal} lines you can draw?
segments.

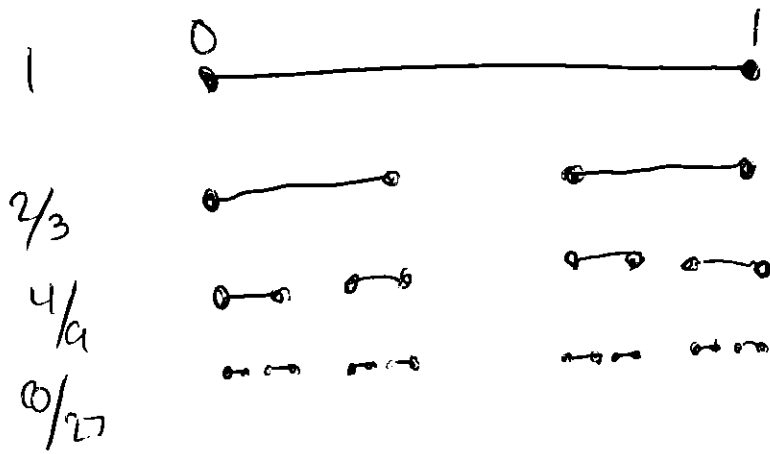
Another way:

If we double S in every direction, how much does the size $\mu(S)$ change?

Square: $\mu(2 \cdot S) = \mu(S) \cdot 2^{(2)}$ ^{\checkmark S stretched by factor of 2.} } the dimension

Cube: $\mu(2 \cdot S) = \mu(S) \cdot 2^{(3)}$

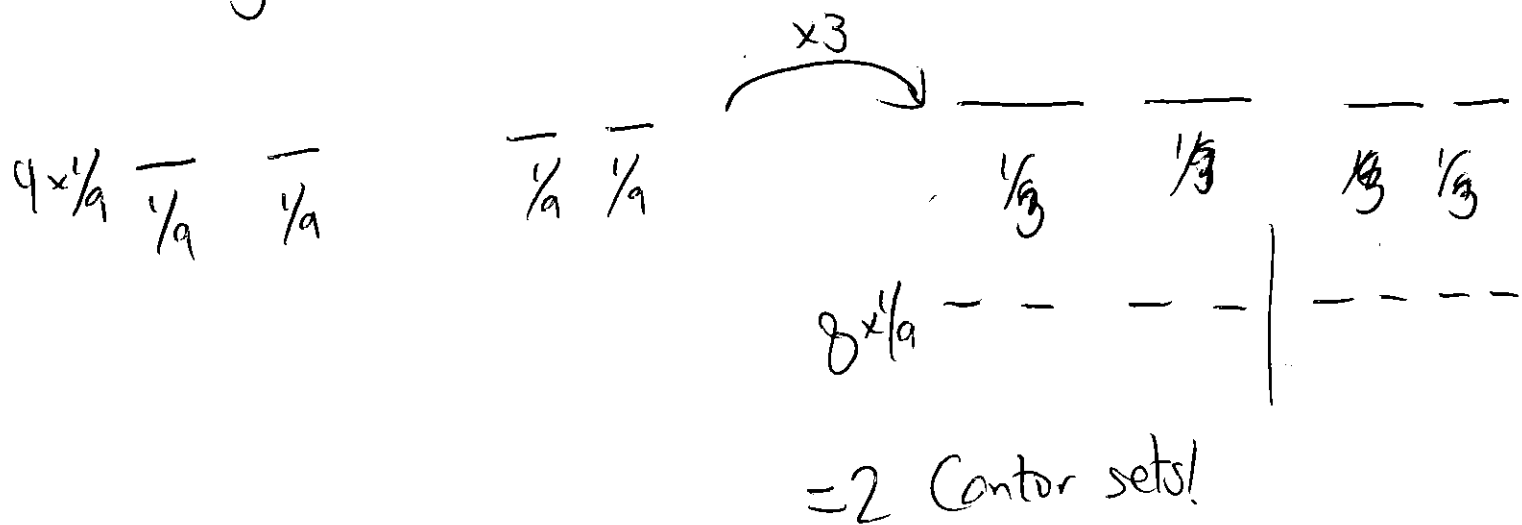
Cantor set



Dimension? If we stretch by a factor of 3, we get:

3x Cantor set

original



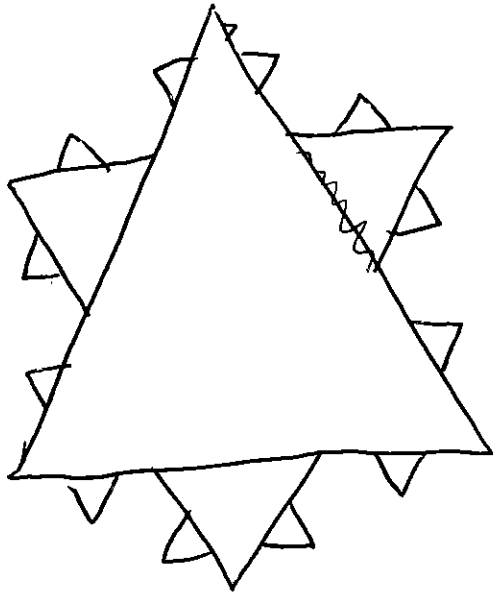
$$So \rightarrow \mu(3 \cdot S) = \mu(S) \cdot 2$$

$$\text{but } \mu(3 \cdot S) = \mu(S) \cdot 3^d$$

$$d = \log_3 2 \approx 0.630929 \dots$$

"fractal" since not an integer.

Koch snowflake



perimeter of n^{th} iterate:?

$$P_0 = 3$$

area enclosed

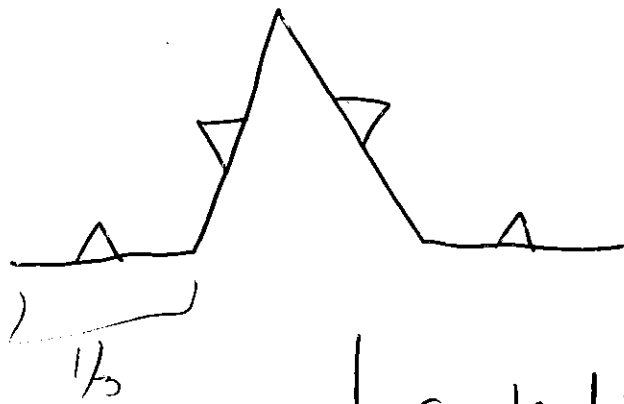
$$P_0 = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{4}$$

perimeter of $P_n = \left(\frac{4}{3}\right)^n \cdot 3$

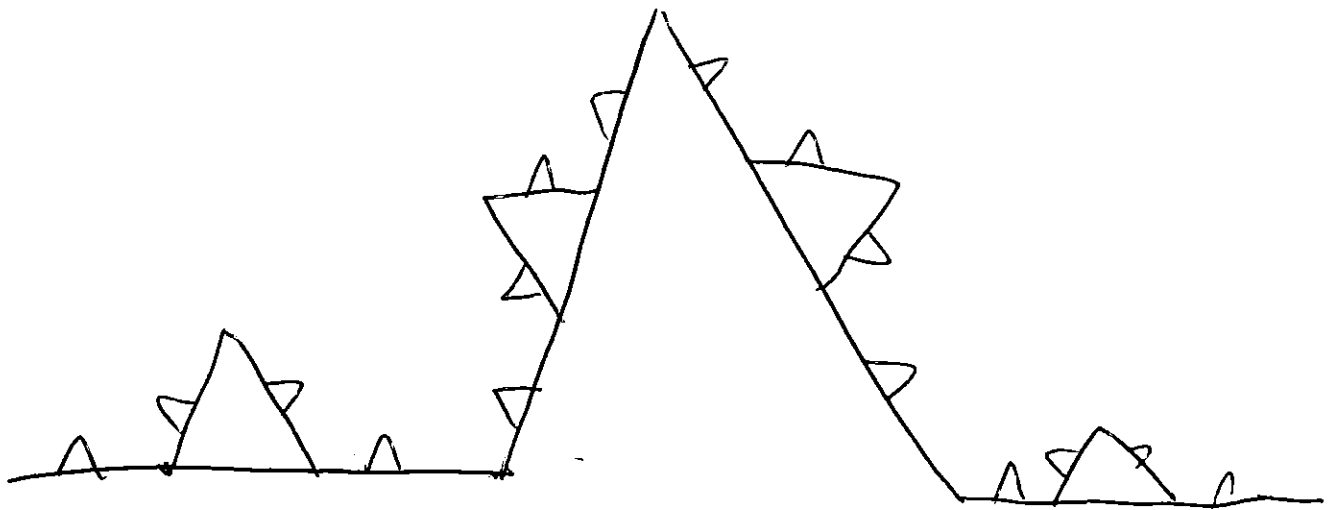
perimeter (snowflake)
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 ∞

area of P_n = stays finite

dimension = 1? 2? other?



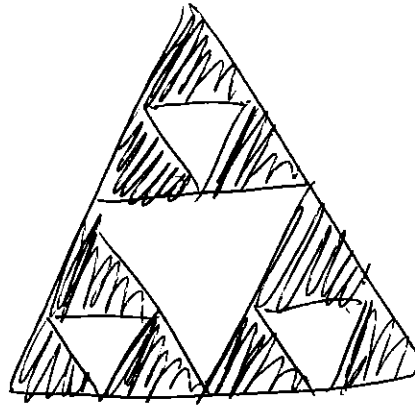
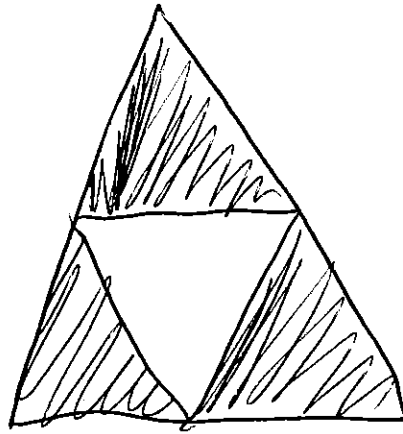
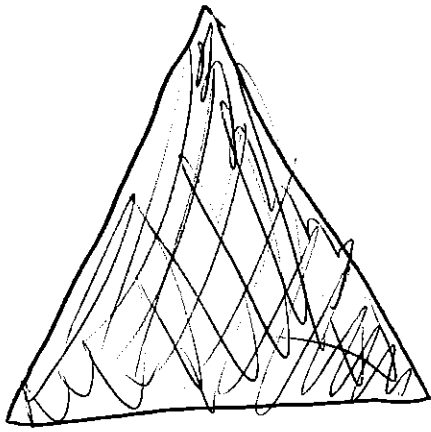
↓ scale by 3



$$\mu(3 \cdot S) = 4 \mu(S)$$

but $\mu(3 \cdot S) = \mu(S) \cdot 3^d \implies d = \log_3 4 = 1.2618\dots$

Sierpinski triangle

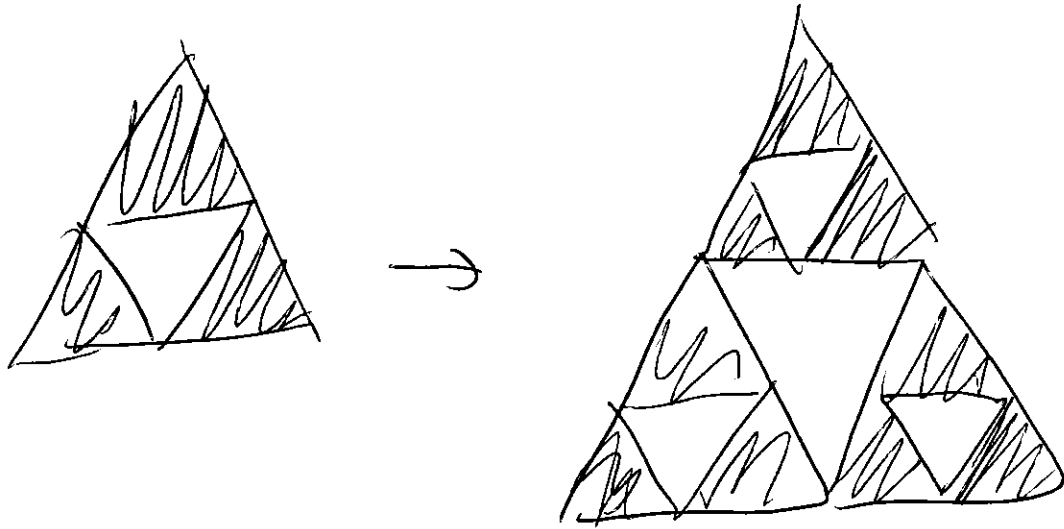


$$\text{area}(P_n) \approx \left(\frac{3}{4}\right)^n$$

final area is 0!

Dimension = ?

Stretch by 2 \rightsquigarrow 3 copies of original!



$$\mu(2 \cdot S) = 3 \mu(S)$$

$$\mu(2 \cdot S) = \mu(S) \cdot 2^d$$

$$d = \log_2 3$$