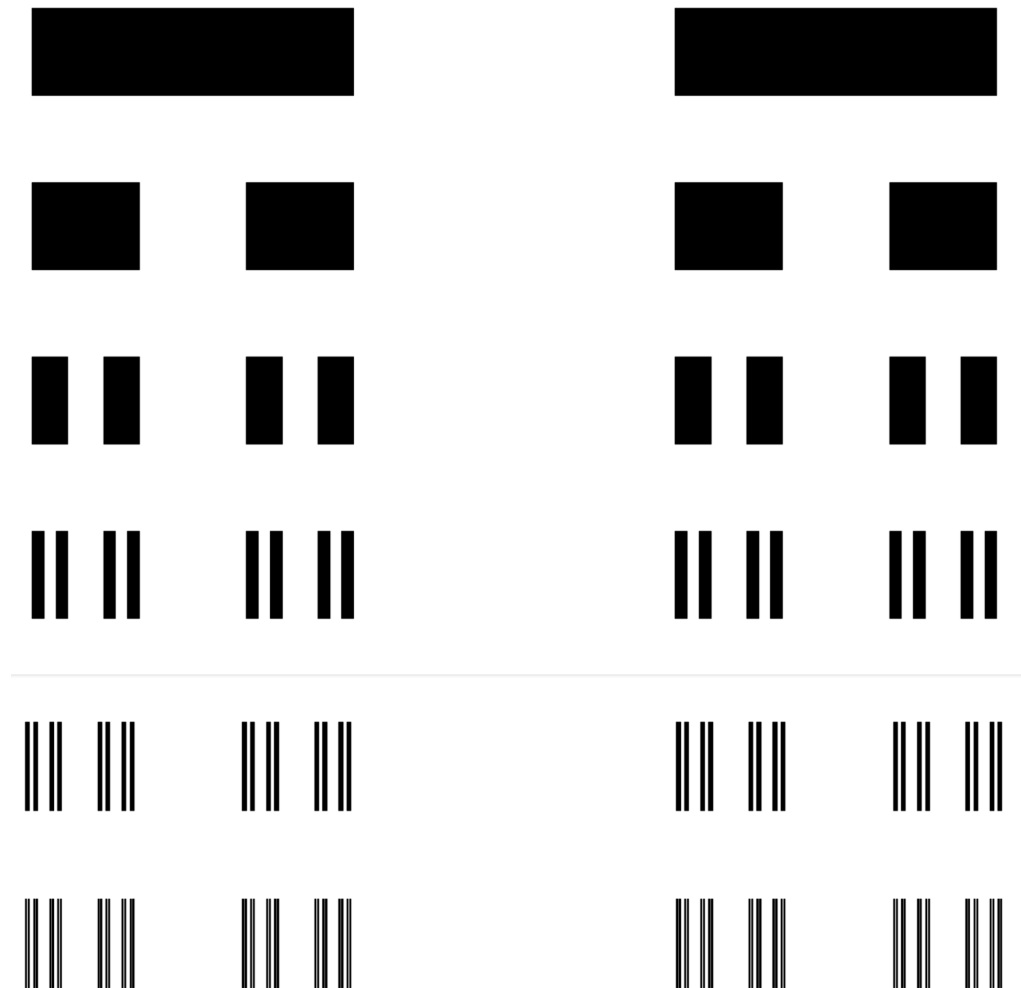


The Cantor set is a fractal I had never seen before, nor would have readily considered a fractal in that material is recursively being removed, rather than added.



Before digging into the code, I notice first that the middle thirds are removed, again, with no change to the edges of the borders or any space previously removed later being filled in, which leaves the noticeable gap through the center of the fractal.

Reading about the Cantor set, the initial iterations consist of the following

$$Gen_0 = [0, 1] \quad Gen_1 = [0, \frac{1}{3}] \cup [\frac{2}{3}, 1]$$

$$Gen_2 = [0, \frac{1}{9}] \cup [\frac{2}{9}, \frac{1}{3}] \cup [\frac{2}{3}, \frac{7}{9}] \cup [\frac{8}{9}, 1]$$

with the number of sets growing infinitely and the width of them reducing infinitely.

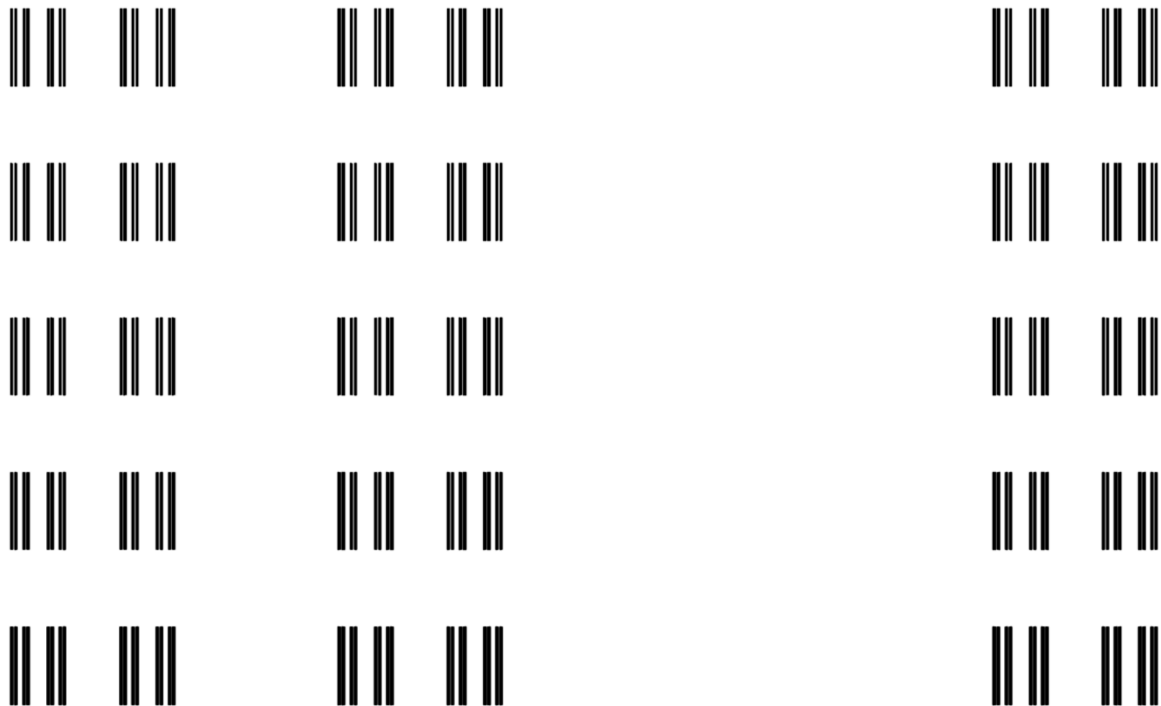
Looking at the code itself, you start off defining the parameters:

```

# Set initial parameters
x_start = 0      # Starting x-coordinate of the first bar
x_end = 3        # Ending x-coordinate of the first bar
y_position = 0   # Starting y-coordinate (height of the first bar)
bar_height = 5   # Height of each bar
spacing = 10     # Space between bars (distance downwards)
depth = 6        # Number of levels to draw

```

Thanks to your comments, it is straightforward to see what adjusting each one does. After playing with the height and spacing a bit, I set the depth to 10. I appreciate my monitor does not pick up the increasingly minute spaces between segments and they all look the same:



Looking at the function you created:

```

# Define a function to create the Cantor Set pattern
def cantor_set(x_start, x_end, y_position, depth):
    if depth == 0:
        return []

    # Left and right segments for the current bar
    left_segment = [[x_start, x_start + (x_end - x_start) / 3, y_position]]
    right_segment = [[x_end - (x_end - x_start) / 3, x_end, y_position]]

    # Recursively generate segments for the next levels
    left_recursive = cantor_set(x_start, x_start + (x_end - x_start) / 3, y_position - spacing, depth - 1)
    right_recursive = cantor_set(x_end - (x_end - x_start) / 3, x_end, y_position - spacing, depth - 1)

    # Combine the current segments with the results from recursive calls
    return left_segment + right_segment + left_recursive + right_recursive

```

Let's use your default parameters. Your left segment initially is set as $[0, (0+(1-0))/3, 1]$ or $[0, \frac{1}{3}, 1]$ although the last parameter strictly defines the height of the bar. The right segment is defined as $[(1-(1-0))/3, 1, 1]$ or $[\frac{2}{3}, 1, 1]$ which corresponds to my first defined generation at the start of the report.

Let's assume that the depth goes only once more, if it was set to 2. Because the depth is not yet decreased, you will run the left and right_recursive once each. These both call the cantor_set function from within the function (hence it being iterative), but further breaking down the start and end positions, creating separate left and right segments similar to the original. Once these both have been completed, then the values are returned.

There is not a lot to experiment here, but I recognize that breaking this into halves and fourths would create a similar effect to one another, so I want to try a little bit to see if I can break it into fifths, getting rid of the second and fourth fifth, which seems to be called a 5-adic Cantor set. As I do this, I am again tickled to see the AI wanting to define and set forth the code simply by typing the letter 'm' on the line.

My initial attempt looks like this:

```

# Import libraries for math and plotting
import numpy as np
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt

# Set initial parameters
x_start = 0      # Starting x-coordinate of the first bar
x_end = 1        # Ending x-coordinate of the first bar
y_position = 0   # Starting y-coordinate (height of the first bar)
bar_height = 1   # Height of each bar
spacing = 2      # Space between bars (distance downwards)
depth = 6        # Number of levels to draw

# Define a function to create the Cantor Set pattern
def cantor_set(x_start, x_end, y_position, depth):
    if depth == 0:
        return []

    # Left and right segments for the current bar
    left_segment = [[x_start, x_start + (x_end - x_start) / 5, y_position]]
    middle_segment = [[x_start + (x_end - x_start) / 5, x_end - (x_end - x_start) / 5, y_position]]
    right_segment = [[x_end - (x_end - x_start) / 5, x_end, y_position]]

    # Recursively generate segments for the next levels
    left_recursive = cantor_set(x_start, x_start + (x_end - x_start) / 5, y_position - spacing, depth - 1)
    middle_recursive = cantor_set(x_start + (x_end - x_start) / 5, x_end - (x_end - x_start) / 5, y_position - spacing, depth - 1)
    right_recursive = cantor_set(x_end - (x_end - x_start) / 5, x_end, y_position - spacing, depth - 1)

    # Combine the current segments with the results from recursive calls
    return left_segment + middle_segment + right_segment + left_recursive + middle_recursive + right_recursive

# Generate Cantor Set segments data
segments = np.array(cantor_set(x_start, x_end, y_position, depth)) # Convert to an array for easy plotting

# Plot the Cantor Set
plt.figure(figsize=(25, 25))

# Draw each segment as a black bar
for x_start, x_end, y in segments:
    plt.fill_between([x_start, x_end], [y] * 2, [y - bar_height] * 2, color="black")

# Hide the axes for a clean look
plt.axis('off')
plt.show()

```

but is returning solid bars.



I can see that the spacing is incorrect on the first pass, but am stumped as it looks like it should be picking up from where the last one left off, but maybe that is why it is not leaving the gap this time.