Problem Set 2 is due This Friday, Jan 31 (10pm)

Class 5:

Boolean Gates.

https://youtu.be/IxXaizglscw?si=iUw9bHqXyl\_G5dWt&t=303

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Contradiction! So, there must not exist any S such that  $|pow(S)| \leq |S|$ .

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Recall:  $\{0, 1\}^{\infty}$  is Uncountable  $s_7 = 10001000100...$  $s_8 = 00110011001$ 

https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Cantor%27s\_diagonal\_argument

#### Are they the same (or comparable)?

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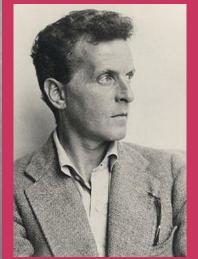
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(1) If u \in g(u), then u \notin T.   
(2) If u \notin g(u), then u \in T. But T = g(u), so u \notin g(u). But T = g(u), so u \in g(u).
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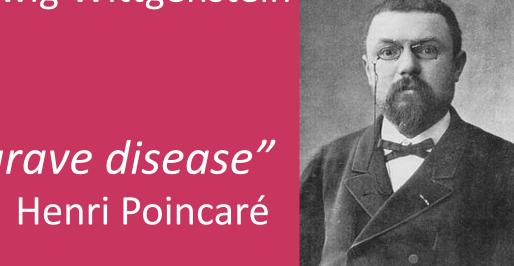
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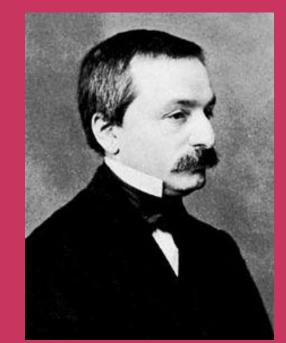
"corruptor of youth" Leopold Kronecker

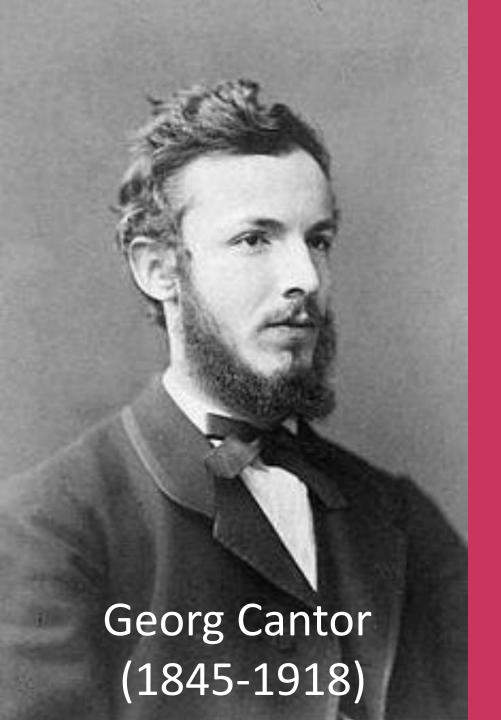


"utter nonsense" **Ludwig Wittgenstein** 



"grave disease"





My theory stands as firm as a rock; every arrow directed against it will return quickly to its archer. How do I know this? Because I have studied it from all sides for many years; because I have examined all objections which have ever been made against the infinite numbers; and above all, because I have followed its roots, so to speak, to the first infallible cause of all created things.

Georg Cantor, 1887 Letter to K. F. Heman

# Any set bigger than $\mathbb{N}$ ? $b_0 b_1 b_2 \dots$

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• 
$$a \in pow(\mathbb{N})$$

• 
$$f_a: \mathbb{N} \to \{0,1\}$$
 such that  $f_a(i) = \begin{cases} 0 & if \ i \notin a \\ 1 & if \ i \in a \end{cases}$ 

• 
$$(b_0, b_1, b_2, \dots) \in \{0,1\}^{\infty}$$
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•  $0.b_0b_1b_2 \dots \in [0,1]$  in base 2

And also 
$$|pow(\mathbb{N})| = |[0,1]^2| = |\mathbb{R}| = |\mathbb{R}^2| = |\mathbb{C}|$$

#### Exercise

$$S \times T = \{(a,b) \mid a \in S, b \in T\}$$
  
 $S' = S \times S, S' = \emptyset S^{i},$   
 $[0,1] \text{ real } 0 \leq r \leq 1$   $\{0,1\}$ 

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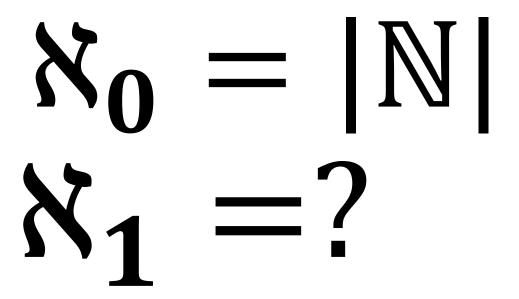
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## Any set bigger than [0, 1]?

yes: For all sets S, |pow(S)| > |S|

## Aleph-Naught



"smallest infinite cardinal number"

"second smallest infinite cardinal number"

"smallest infinite cardinal number"

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Is there any set with carries  $\mathbb{N}$  and  $pow(\mathbb{N})$ ?

It solver from 
$$(\mathbb{N}) | = |\mathbb{R}| = \aleph_1$$

first tor's Continuum Hypothesis<sup>13</sup>

https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Continuum hypothesis
https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Aleph number#Continuum hypothesis

### To conclude...

#### Infinities are not Intuitive, at least at first

From the paradise, that
Cantor created for us,
no-one can expel us.
David Hilbert



# **Defining Computation**

### Story so far

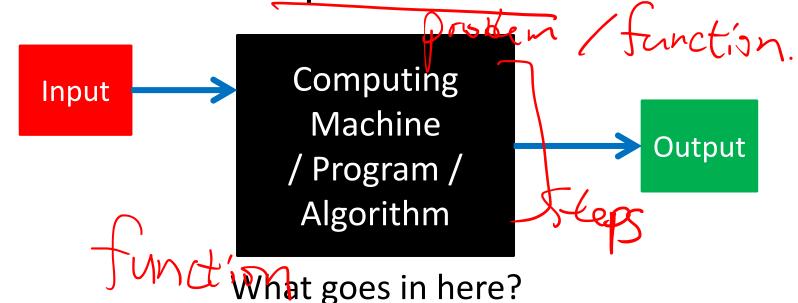
- Defining things Precisely:
  - Natural numbers
  - Sets
  - Cardinality
  - Infinity
  - Countability
- Goal of the class:
  - Think precisely about computing
- Next:
  - Precise definition of computing

## What do computers do?

## What computers do

- A "computer" is something that "performs" a "mapping" from inputs to outputs (strings?)
  - It is the actual process.

Different from the specification.

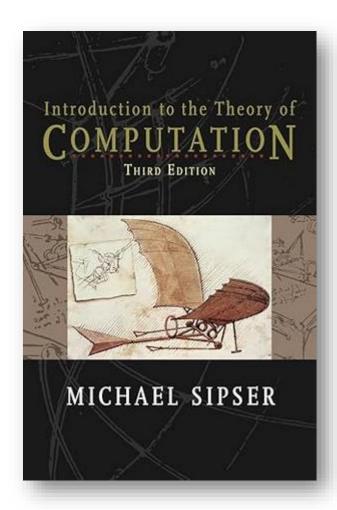


### Computational Model

The particular way of implementing the computation process

• Examples:

python / C++ / Hastel Ocamal



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## A simple model of computation

Based on Boolean logical 'gates':

```
\sim OR(a, b): outputs 1 iff a=1 or b=1
```

- AND(a, b): outputs 1 iff a=1 and b=1

– NOT(b): outputs 1 iff b=0



Output 0 otherwise

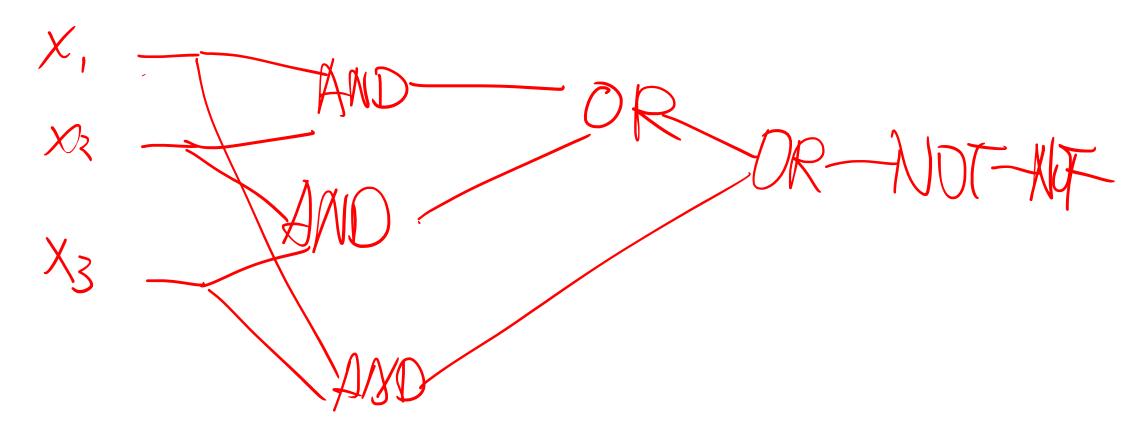
## Towards Algorithms

- Example: "median"
  - Median is 1 if at least half of inputs are 1



### Computing MED using And/Or/N ot

Still a "math"-ish def/algorithm for MED:

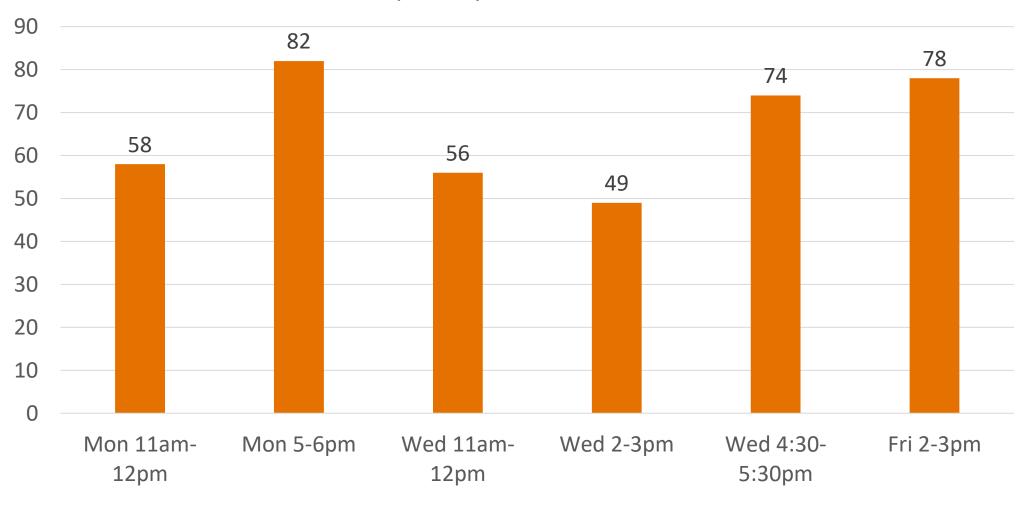


### Office Hours

- TA/Office Hours: We do not typically read your solution
- Time constraint (there can be many students)
- Independent and critical thinking! (It is easy to believe TA/teacher without thinking)
- Discussion is encouraged. Example:
- A: "I started with X but then step Y is unclear. Does Y hold in general?"
- B: "I can prove Y. Problem solved!"

Subscribe calendar: <a href="https://weikailin.github.io/cs3120-toc/calendar/">https://weikailin.github.io/cs3120-toc/calendar/</a>

#### Popularity of Office Hours



#### What is the extension policy?

#### Syllabus webpage:

**Extensions and Late Submissions.** Extensions will be granted to individual students on a case-by-case basis. We are more likely to respond positively to an extension request if it is made well before an assignment is due and provides a reasonable justification for the extension. To request an extension, use this form:

Extension Request Form

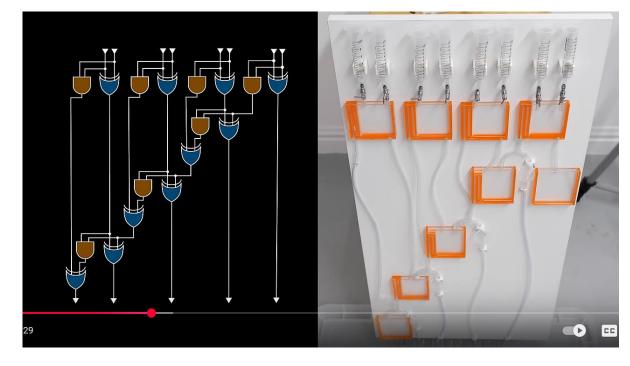
#### Charge

**Set Cardinality** 

Cantor's Theorem

**Computation Model** 

AND, OR, NOT



PS2: due this Friday 10:00pm