

Discrete Dynamical Systems

The Tent Map
and the Cantor Set

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Mandelbrot Set

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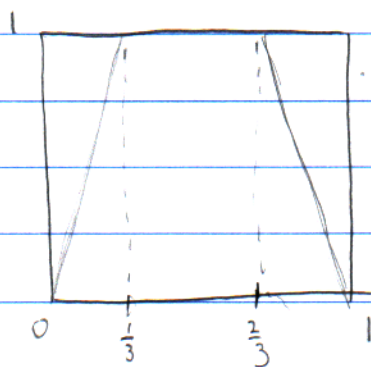
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$\frac{1}{3}$ tent map and the Cantor set - Discrete Dynamical Systems

'Review' - We are examining the set

$$\Lambda_{1/3} = \{x \in [0, 1], x_n = T_{1/3}^n(x) \text{ is in } [0, 1] \text{ for all } n\}$$

which are all the points on the x-axis of the function



$$x_{n+1} = T_{1/3}(x_n) = \begin{cases} 3x_n & \text{if } 0 \leq x_n \leq \frac{1}{3} \\ -3x_n + 3 & \text{if } \frac{2}{3} \leq x_n \leq 1 \\ \infty & \text{if } \frac{1}{3} < x_n < \frac{2}{3} \end{cases}$$

that never enter the

interval $(\frac{1}{3}, \frac{2}{3}) \rightarrow$ "bad region"

- If we erase all the intervals that go to the bad region after one iteration, 2 iterations etc.

- 1st erase bad region \rightarrow middle third

- as we've shown, we erase the middle third of every remaining set

- so we're left with the Cantor Set

Ternary expansion:

- base 3, uses 0's 1's 2's

- In our tent map: 1 corresponds to the bad region

- So numbers in our set have ternary expansions consisting of only 0's and 2's

Cardinality

- different ideas of infinity

- for example, there are more numbers in $[0, 1]$ than there are natural numbers (probably won't prove in our presentation)

- uncountable: one-to-one correspondence with numbers in $[0, 1]$

- countable = natural numbers

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$\Delta_{1/3}$

Claim: Cantor set has the same cardinality as the interval $[0, 1]$
[one-to-one correspondence]

Proof: All numbers with ternary expansions consisting only of 0's and 2's are in the set $\Delta_{1/3}$

- Expand every number $[0, 1]$ into binary (so they consist of only 0's and 1's)
- Now change every '2' in the ternary expansion of $\Delta_{1/3}$ into a '1'
- So now every number in $\Delta_{1/3}$ corresponds to a binary expansion of a number in $[0, 1]$ and we are done

- Length of space removed in Cantor set:

$$\frac{1}{3} + \frac{2}{9} + \frac{4}{27} + \dots = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{2^n}{3^{n+1}} = \frac{\frac{2}{3}}{1 - \frac{2}{3}} = 1$$

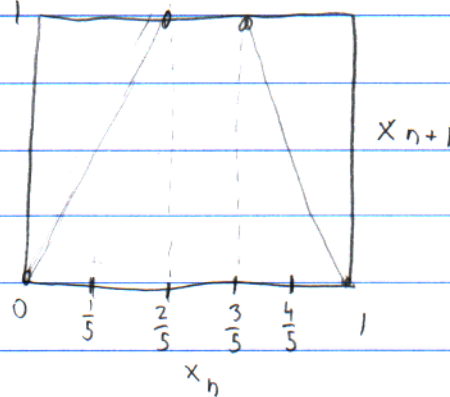
so we are removing the whole line of length 1

$\frac{1}{3}$ Cantor set has measure 0

- measure - technical mathematical definition ... basically assigns a "size" to a set. Refines inexact ideas like 'length' (measures are used in integration in calculus)
- A general Cantor set has a positive measure or a measure of 0

$\frac{1}{5}$ Cantor Set / Tent Map

$$T_{\frac{1}{5}} \begin{cases} 5x & 0 \leq x \leq \frac{2}{5} \\ 5x-5 & \frac{3}{5} \leq x \leq 1 \\ \infty & \frac{2}{5} < x < \frac{3}{5} \end{cases}$$



- remove the middle 5th
- However, if we add up the space removed:

$$\frac{1}{5} + \frac{2}{25} + \frac{4}{125} + \dots = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{5} \left(\frac{2}{5}\right)^n = \frac{\frac{1}{5}}{\frac{3}{5}} = \frac{1}{3}$$

So there is still $\frac{2}{3}$ left

- Cantor sets can have either 0 or positive measure
- However, they still contain no intervals
- Cardinality is same as interval $[0, 1] \rightarrow$ can be proven in similar way as with $T_{1/3}$

Differences between $\frac{1}{3}$ and $\frac{1}{5}$ Cantor Map

- '1' = total space removed from $\frac{1}{3}$ set, ' $\frac{1}{3}$ ' = total space removed from $\frac{1}{5}$ set
- In $\frac{1}{3}$ set, we always remove the middle third of remaining interval
- In $\frac{1}{5}$ set, we first remove middle fifth, but then we aren't removing the middle of intervals
- $\frac{1}{5}$ set is not symmetrical like $\frac{1}{3}$ and has positive measure

Similarity of $\frac{1}{5}$ and $\frac{1}{3}$ Cantor sets

- both have uncountable points (one-to-one correspondence w/ numbers in $[0,1]$)
- can be proven as we did with $\frac{1}{3}$, but using base 5 and base 4 expansions

- No intervals
- Dense (no matter how small the interval, there is a point from Cantor Set in it)

Mandelbrot Set

- Our program generates the Mandelbrot Set and graphs it.
- Definition: all complex numbers $c = a + bi$ such that

$$x_0 = 0$$

$$x_{n+1} = x_n^2 + c$$

never diverges

- the graph is a fractal
- what this means: picture repeats itself, you can zoom into a part of the graph to see a miniature version

$\frac{1}{3}$ Cantor set and tent map

G+V Review 1 min

Andrea Cardinality

ternary expansion

Isabel Proof that Cantor set has same cardinality as $[0, 1]$

Valeria Space removed from $\frac{1}{3}$ Cantor set, geometric sequence

Introduce idea of measure

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differences from $\frac{1}{3}$ (space removed, symmetry)

Valeria similarity (no intervals, uncountable)

all Mandelbrot (fractal, explain generation)

$$z_{n+1} = z_n^2 + c \quad [c \text{ is a complex \# } a+bi]$$