

Math 191 Notes, 2003 September 18

1 new outline/hw

1 sectioning form

Ask for old handouts if you weren't here last time

Section: M4-5, 5-6, 8-9

Cantor's uncountable subsets

- The set of all subsets of a countably infinite set is uncountable.

Pf: Cantor via Apolstol.

My set $B = \{\text{all } n \text{ for which } n \notin f(n)\} = \{3, 4, \dots\}$

1 : $\{1, 3, \dots\}$

2 : $\{2, 9, \dots\}$

3 : $\{4, 9, \dots\}$

4 : "all primes"

Suppose this is element b on the list and the corresponding set is B . Suppose $b \notin B \Rightarrow b \in B$.

- Schwarzkopf attack Your job is to defend 1 mile of a border (x is from 0 to 1). Captured orders: Start at $1/2$ at noon. At 12:30 flip a coin and move $1/3$. At 12:45 flip a coin and move $1/9$. Repeat at $1/2$ the time and $1/3$ the distance until 1pm, when you attack.

Analysis: total length of intervals where N.S. won't attack.

$$\frac{1}{3} + \frac{1}{3} \cdot \frac{2}{3} + \dots = 1$$

Final position as a base-3 decimal $0.202022202020202\dots$. The collection of these is known as the Cantor set (Cantor dust).

Set theory

- Complement. $A \cap B = (A^c \cup B^c)^c$. Proof: We must show that each is contained in the other. If $x \in A \cap B$, then $x \in A$, $x \notin A^c$, $x \notin B^c$. Therefore, $x \notin (A^c \cup B^c) \Rightarrow x \in (A^c \cup B^c)^c$. Now let's go backwards. If $x \in (A^c \cup B^c)^c$ then $x \notin A^c \cup B^c \Rightarrow x \notin A^c$ and $x \notin B^c \Rightarrow x \in A$ and $x \in B \Rightarrow x \in A \cap B$.
- Difference set $A \setminus B$. $A \setminus B = A \cap B^c$.
- σ -field, F . $\emptyset \in F$. If $A \in F$, $A^c \in F$. If countable collection A_1, A_2, \dots all in F , then $\bigcup_{i=1}^{\infty} A_i \in F$. (This is a countable union, because uncountable unions are weird).

Examples. $\emptyset, \Omega, \emptyset, A, A^c, \Omega$, all subsets of A . Maybe an example? All sets of $A \in \Omega$ s.t. A is finite or A^c is finite. No! All sets of $A \in \Omega$ s.t. A is countable or A^c is countable. The union of 2 σ -fields may not be another σ -field. If there is one subset in one of them that is not in the other and vice versa, we have a problem. The intersection is not in the union of the σ -fields.

- \mathbb{P} “Probability measure” is a function $F \rightarrow [0, 1]$. $\mathbb{P}(\emptyset) = 0, \mathbb{P}(\Omega) = 1$. $\mathbb{P}(\bigcup_{i=1}^{\infty} A_i) = \text{sum}$. Where these are countable, disjoint sets.

- $\mathbb{P}(A \cup B) = \mathbb{P}(A) + \mathbb{P}(B \setminus A) = \mathbb{P}(A) + \mathbb{P}(B) - \mathbb{P}(A \cap B)$

- Hint, whenever you find something with negatives, do everything with disjoint sets to be positive and then do algebra.

- Polya, *Mathematics and Probable Inference*. How to reason through something.

- $\mathbb{P}(A \cup B) \leq \mathbb{P}(A) + \mathbb{P}(B)$.

- $\mathbb{P}(B \setminus A) = \mathbb{P}(B) - \mathbb{P}(A)$ if $A \subseteq B$.

- $\mathbb{P}(A) \leq \mathbb{P}(B)$ if $A \subseteq B$.

- A non-measurable set.

$x \sim y$ if $y = x + r, r \in \mathbb{Q}$.

Work on $(0, 1]$. Construct set H , choose 1 member from each class. Set H contains no two elements such that, $h_2 - h_1$ is rational. $(0, 1]$ is a countable union of the form $H + r$.