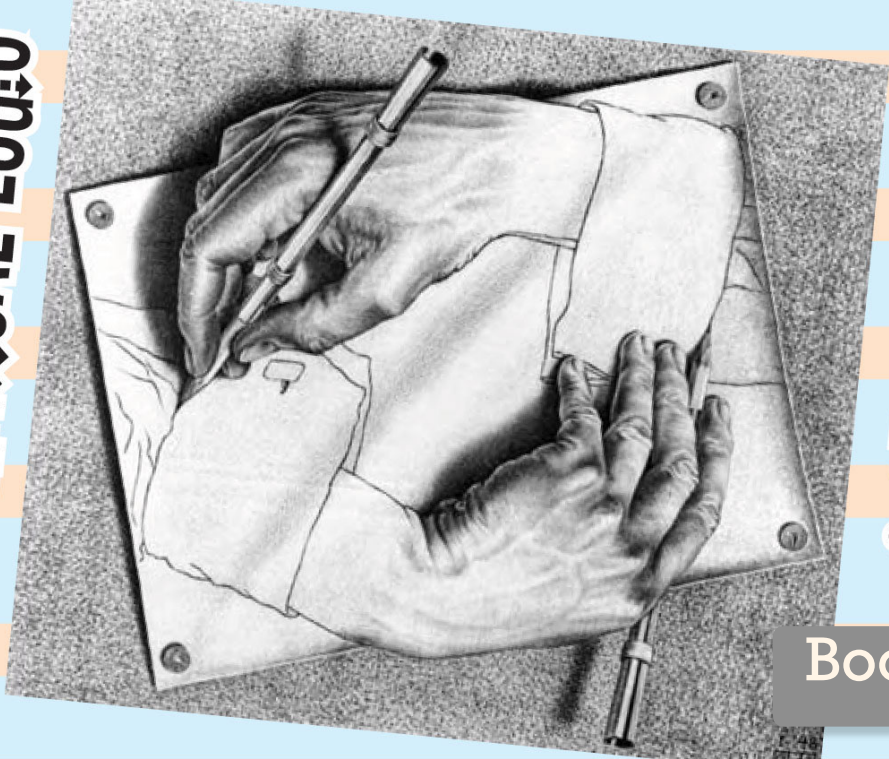


**MATHEMATICAL LOGIC**

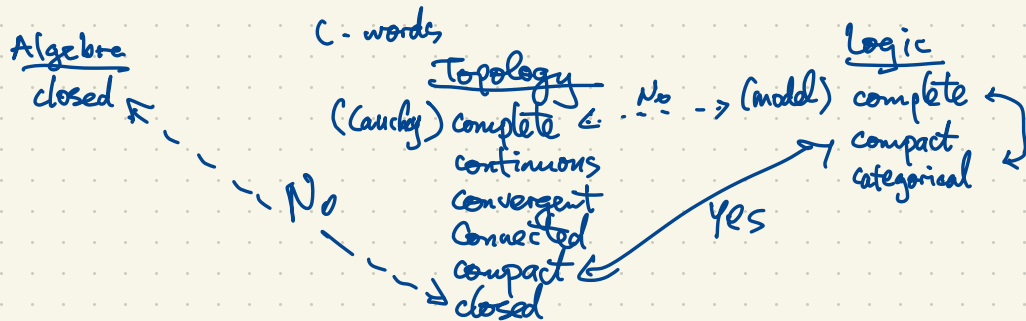


**& SET THEORY**

Book 2

Łoś-Vaught Test assures us that  $Th(ACF_0)$  is complete. This uses: the theory has no finite models; and the theory is  $2^{\aleph_0}$ -categorical.

L Ł Jerzy Łoś, Robert Vaught (1954)



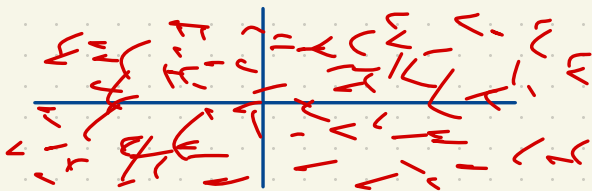
Let  $L$  be a language and let  $X$  be the collection of all  $L$ -structures.

For any set of sentences  $\Sigma$  over  $L$ , let  $K_\Sigma =$  set of  $L$ -structures satisfying all the sentences in  $\Sigma$  (i.e. the set of models of  $\Sigma$ ).

Then  $X$  is a top. space with  $K_\Sigma$  as its basic closed set.

This space is (topologically) compact.  $\{K_\phi : \phi \text{ sentence over } L\}$  are <sup>sub-</sup>basic closed sets.

Eg.  $K = \mathbb{Q}[\sqrt{2}] = \{a+b\sqrt{2} : a, b \in \mathbb{Q}\}$  has two field automorphisms,  $\iota(a+b\sqrt{2}) = a+b\sqrt{2}$ ,  $\tau(a+b\sqrt{2}) = a-b\sqrt{2}$ .



$\mathbb{C}$  has uncountably many automorphisms but only two of them are continuous.  
Where do we get this?

$$\mathbb{C} \subset \mathbb{C}[x] \subset \mathbb{C}(x) = K \subset \bar{K}$$

The <sup>polynomial</sup> ring  $\mathbb{C}[x]$  has automorphisms  $f(x) \mapsto f(x+a)$

$$K = \mathbb{C}(x) = \left\{ \frac{f(x)}{g(x)} : f(x), g(x) \in \mathbb{C}[x] \right\}$$

is a field extension of  $\mathbb{C}$  and it's not alg. closed.

$K[t]$  has irreducible polys eg.  $t^2 - x \in K[t]$

$\bar{K}$  is an alg. closed field of char. 0,  $|\bar{K}| = 2^{\aleph_0} = |\mathbb{C}|$

But there is only one alg. closed field of char. 0 for each uncountable cardinality  
(the theory of  $\text{ACF}_0$  is uncountably categorical) so  $\bar{K} \cong \mathbb{C}$ .

$\bar{K}$  has lots of automorphisms i.e.  $\mathbb{C}$  has lots of automorphisms.

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$\mathbb{R}$  has only one automorphism, the identity  $i(a) = a$ .

Axioms for  $\mathbb{R}$ ?

Field axioms

+ Order axioms  
and axioms

Introduce a new binary relation symbol ' $<$ ' ( $a < b$  is a shorthand for  $R(a, b)$ )  
 $(\forall a)(\forall b) [(a < b) \vee (a = b) \vee (b < a)] \wedge \neg [(a < b) \wedge (b < a)] \wedge \neg [(a < b) \wedge (a = b)] \wedge \neg [(b < a) \wedge (a = b)]$   
 $(\forall a)(\forall b)(\forall c) [(a < b) \wedge (b < c) \rightarrow (a < c)]$

$$(\forall a)(\forall b)(\forall c) ((a < b) \rightarrow [(a+c < b+c) \wedge (c > 0) \rightarrow (ac < bc)])$$

$\mathbb{R}$  is the unique ordered field which is (Cauchy)-complete and having  $\mathbb{Q}$  as a dense subfield.

But we cannot state "Cauchy complete" in first order theory of fields.

How much of the theory of  $\mathbb{R}$  can be captured in first order logic?

Ordered field axioms

- $(\forall a)(a \neq 0 \rightarrow a^2 > 0)$
- $(\forall a)(a > 0 \rightarrow (\exists b)(b^2 = a))$
- Every polynomial  $f(x) \in \mathbb{R}[x]$  of odd degree has a root. Eg. for degree 3  
 $(\forall a)(\forall b)(\forall c)(\exists x)(x^3 + ax^2 + bx + c = 0)$

RCF

The first order theory of  $\mathbb{R}$  is complete.

However the theory is not  $\kappa$ -categorical for any cardinality  $\kappa$ . (No models for  $\kappa$  finite; more than one for each infinite  $\kappa$ .)

Eg. for  $\kappa = \aleph_0$ :  $\bar{\mathbb{Q}} \cap \mathbb{R}$

For  $\kappa = 2^{\aleph_0}$ :  $\mathbb{R}$ ; hyperreals  ${}^*\mathbb{R}$

Any model of RCF is a real closed field.

Every real closed field is elementarily equivalent to  $\mathbb{R}$  (i.e. has the same first order theory).

$\bar{\mathbb{Q}}$  and  $\mathbb{C}$  are elementarily equivalent.



Emil Artin (1927) proved the Hilbert 17<sup>th</sup> problem using mathematical logic.

### Hilbert's 17th Problem

Let  $f(x_1, \dots, x_n) \in \mathbb{R}[x_1, \dots, x_n]$ , such that  $f \geq 0$  (i.e.  $f(x_1, \dots, x_n) \geq 0$  for all  $x_1, \dots, x_n \in \mathbb{R}$ ).  
Is it necessary then  $f = s_1^2 + \dots + s_k^2$  for some  
rational functions  $s_i(x_1, \dots, x_n) \in \mathbb{R}(x_1, \dots, x_n)$ ? (Preston:  $k \leq 2^n$ )

Matzkin's example:  $n=2$ .  $f(x,y) = 1 - 3x^2y^2 + x^2y^4 + x^4y^2 \geq 0$ . This is not expressible as a sum of  
squares of poly's but

$$f(x,y) = \left[ \frac{x^2y(x^2+y^2-2)}{x^2+y^2} \right]^2 + \left[ \frac{xy^2(x^2+y^2-2)}{x^2+y^2} \right]^2 + \left[ \frac{xy(x^2+y^2-2)}{x^2+y^2} \right]^2 + \left[ \frac{x^2-y^2}{x^2+y^2} \right]^2.$$

Note:  $\frac{1+x^4y^2+x^2y^4}{3} \geq (1 \cdot x^4y^2 \cdot x^2y^4)^{\frac{1}{3}} = x^2y^2$  by the arithmetic-geometric mean inequality

so  $f(x,y) \geq 0$  for all  $x,y$ .

If  $f = s_1^2 + \dots + s_k^2$  for some  $s_i(x,y) \in \mathbb{R}[x,y]$  then  $\deg s_i \leq 3$ , so  $s_i(x,y)$  may have terms

$$1, x, y, x^2, xy, y^2, \cancel{x^3}, \cancel{xy^2}, \cancel{xy^2}, \cancel{y^3}$$

$$s_i(x,y) = a_i + b_i x + c_i y + d_i xy + e_i x^2 + f_i y^2$$

$$s_i^2 = \underline{2d_i xy} + \dots$$

In  $\mathbb{R}$ , the positive elements are squares.

(Not true in  $\mathbb{Q}$ )

Consequence:  $|\text{Aut } \mathbb{R}| = 1$ . If  $\phi \in \text{Aut } \mathbb{R}$  i.e.  $\phi: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  is bijective and  $\phi(a+b) = \phi(a) + \phi(b)$  for all  $a, b \in \mathbb{R}$   
then  $\phi(a) = a$  for all  $a \in \mathbb{R}$ . Why?  $\phi(a^2) = \phi(a)^2$  so  $\phi(a) > 0$  iff  $a > 0$ .  $\phi(ab) = \phi(a)\phi(b)$

$$\text{So } \phi(a) < \phi(b) \iff a < b.$$

$$\iff \phi(b) - \phi(a) > 0$$

$$\iff \phi(b-a) > 0$$

$$\iff b-a > 0$$

$$\iff a < b.$$

$$\phi(0) = 0$$

$$\phi(1) = 1$$

$$\phi(2) = \phi(1+1) = \phi(1) + \phi(1) = 1+1=2$$

$$\vdots$$

$$\phi(n) = n$$

$$\phi(a) = a \text{ for all } a \in \mathbb{Q}$$

$$\phi(a) = a \text{ for all } a \in \mathbb{R}.$$

Compare:  $\mathbb{D}[\sqrt{2}]$  is also an ordered field but it has a non-trivial automorphism  $\phi(a+b\sqrt{2}) = a-b\sqrt{2}$  for all  $a, b \in \mathbb{D}$ .

Hilbert's 17<sup>th</sup> problem is true for  $n=1$ : every  $f(x) \in \mathbb{R}[x]$  with  $f(x) \geq 0$  for all  $x$  satisfies

$f(x) = g(x)^2 + h(x)^2$  for some  $g(x), h(x) \in \mathbb{R}[x]$ . Why? Factor

$$f(x) = \lambda \prod_{i=1}^m (x-r_i)^2 \cdot \prod_{j=1}^n ((x-s_j)^2 + t_j^2) \text{ where } \lambda \geq 0, \lambda = a^2$$

$$(a^2+b^2)(c^2+d^2) = (ac-bd)^2 + (ad+bc)^2$$

Proof of Hilbert's 17<sup>th</sup> Problem (Artin; Serre)

Let  $f = f(x_1, \dots, x_n) \in \mathbb{R}[x_1, \dots, x_n]$ . Suppose  $f$  is not a sum of squares of rational functions; we must show  $f(a_1, \dots, a_n) < 0$  for some  $a_1, \dots, a_n \in \mathbb{R}$ .

$F = \mathbb{R}(x_1, \dots, x_n)$  = field of rational functions in  $x_1, \dots, x_n$  with real coefficients.

$T = \{ \text{sums of squares of rational functions in } f \}$ .

$= \{ s_1^2 + \dots + s_k^2 : s_i \in F \}$ . Note:  $T+T \subseteq T$ ,  $TT \subseteq T$ ,  $a^2 \in T$  for all  $a \in F$ .

$T$  defines a preorder on  $F$ , namely for  $g, h \in F$ , we say  $g \leq h$  iff  $h-g \in T$ .  
 " $\leq$ " is transitive but it's a partial order in general.

It's an order iff  $T \cup (-T) = F$  and  $T \cap (-T) = \{0\}$ .  
 (total order)  $-T = \{-g : g \in T\}$

We are assuming  $f \notin T$ .

Among all preorders containing  $T$  but not containing  $f$ , choose a maximal preorder  $P$  using Zorn's lemma.

Let  $\{P_\alpha : \alpha \in A\}$  be a <sup>totally ordered</sup> collection of preorders on  $F$  with  $P_\alpha \supseteq T$ ,  $f \notin P_\alpha$ .  
 (i.e. for every  $\alpha, \beta \in A$ , either  $P_\alpha \subseteq P_\beta$  or  $P_\beta \subseteq P_\alpha$ )

( $\{P_\alpha\}$  is a chain) Then  $P = \bigcup_{\alpha \in A} P_\alpha$  is an upper bound for the chain i.e.  $P_\alpha \subseteq P$  for all  $\alpha \in A$ . Then  $P$  is a preorder ( $P+P \subseteq P$ ,  $PP \subseteq P$ ,  $a^2 \in P$ ) and  $P \supseteq T$ ,  $f \notin P$ .  
 By Zorn's lemma there exists a maximal preorder  $P$  as above.

(i) Show  $-f \notin P$ . If  $-f \in P$  then  $f = \left(\frac{1+f}{2}\right)^2 + (-1)\left(\frac{1-f}{2}\right)^2 \in P$ , a contradiction.

(ii) Show  $-f \in P$ . Suppose  $-f \notin P$  and consider  $\tilde{P} = P - Pf = \{a-bf : a, b \in P\}$  which is a preorder.  
 $\tilde{P} + \tilde{P} = \{(a_1-b_1f) + (a_2-b_2f)\} = \{(a_1+a_2) - (b_1+b_2)f : a_i, b_i \in P\} \subseteq \tilde{P}$

$\tilde{P} \tilde{P}$ :  $(a_1-b_1f)(a_2-b_2f) = \underbrace{(a_1a_2 + f^2 \cdot b_1b_2)}_P - \underbrace{(a_1b_2 + a_2b_1)}_P f \in \tilde{P}$   $\tilde{P} \supset P$   $-f \notin P$   $-f \in \tilde{P}$   
 By maximality of  $P$ ,  $-f \in P$ .  
 $f = a-bf$ , some  $a, b \in P$ .  $(1+b)f = a \Rightarrow f = \frac{a}{1+b} = (1+b)a \cdot \frac{1}{(1+b)^2} \in P$

(iii) Given  $g \in F$ , show  $g \in P$  or  $-g \in P$ .

Assume  $g \notin P$ ; show  $-g \in P$ . wlog  $g \neq 0$ .

Consider  $\tilde{P} = P + Pg$ . As in (ii)  $\tilde{P}$  is a preorder,  $\tilde{P} \supseteq P$ ,  $\tilde{P} > P$  since  $g \notin P$ ,  $g \in \tilde{P}$ . By maximality of  $P$ , we must have  $f \in \tilde{P}$  so  $f = a + bg$ , some  $a, b \in P$ .

$$-bg = a - f \Rightarrow -g = \frac{a-f}{b} = b \cdot (a-f) \cdot \left(\frac{1}{b}\right)^2 \in P$$

(iv)  $P \cap (-P) = \{0\}$  If  $g \neq 0$ ,  $g \in P$ ,  $-g \in P$  then  
 $-(-g) = g = (-g) \cdot \left(\frac{1}{g}\right)^2 \in P$ , contrary to (i).

$(F, \leq)$  is an ordered field where  $a \leq b \iff b - a \in P$ .

It's an extension of  $(\mathbb{R}, \leq)$

By the Tarski Transfer Principle, if  $(x_1, \dots, x_n) \in F^n$  satisfies a statement in first order theory of ordered fields, then there is  $(a_1, \dots, a_n) \in \mathbb{R}^n$  realizing this statement.

Here  $-f \in P$  i.e.  $f < 0$  i.e.  $f(x_1, \dots, x_n) < 0$  so  $f(a_1, \dots, a_n) < 0$  for some  $a_1, \dots, a_n \in \mathbb{R}$ .

# Indiscernibles ... coming soon


Axioms for projective plane geometry: Here we consider only points, lines and their incidences.

Objects: points and lines

Relations:  $\underbrace{P(\cdot) L(\cdot)}_{\text{many relation symbols}}, \underbrace{I(\cdot, \cdot)}_{\text{binary relation symbol}}$

$$(\forall x)(P(x) \leftrightarrow (\exists L(x)))$$

$$(\forall x)(\forall y)(I(x,y) \rightarrow (P(x) \leftrightarrow L(y)))$$

Axioms: (i)  Any two distinct points are on a unique line.

$$(\forall x)(\forall y)(P(x) \wedge P(y) \wedge \neg(x=y) \rightarrow (\exists z)(I(x,z) \wedge I(y,z) \wedge (\forall w)(I(x,w) \wedge I(y,w) \rightarrow (w=z))))$$

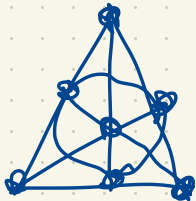
(ii)  Any two distinct lines meet in a unique point.

(iii) nondegeneracy axiom



There exist at least four points with no three of them collinear.

Models? There are some orders (sizes) for which models are unique up to isomorphism



7 points  
7 lines  
3 points/line  
3 lines/point

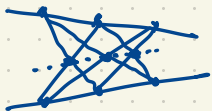
Finite projective planes:

$n^2 + n + 1$  points / lines  
 $n + 1$  points / line  
 $n + 1$  lines / point  
 $n = \text{order of the plane}$


Infinite planes:

For every infinite cardinal  $\kappa$ , there are many proj planes of order  $\kappa$  (with cardinality  $\kappa$ ).

Does there exist an infinite projective plane which is  $\aleph_0$ -categorical i.e. its theory has a unique countable model?



Generalized Quadrangles

- (i) ... Any two points are on at most one line
- (ii)  IF  $P$  is not on  $l$  then there is a unique  $Q$  on  $l$  joined to  $P$ .

(iii) nondegeneracy.  $\left. \begin{matrix} \leftarrow \\ \leftarrow \\ \leftarrow \end{matrix} \right\} \geq 3$



In every case  $\left. \begin{matrix} \leftarrow \\ \leftarrow \\ \leftarrow \end{matrix} \right\} t+1$



Can  $s < \infty, t = \infty$ ?

IF  $s = 2$  then  $t \leq 4$  (easy).

IF  $s = 3$  then  $t \leq 9$  (4 pages)

IF  $s = 4$  then  $t \leq 16$  (Cherlin)

Let  $A$  be a set of first order sentences over a language  $L$  (i.e. a theory) and let  $M \models A$  (a model of  $A$ ).

A set of indiscernibles  $S \subseteq M$  such that for every distinct  $s_1, \dots, s_k \in S$  and  $t_1, \dots, t_k \in S$  and every propositional function  $\phi(x_1, \dots, x_k)$ ,  $\phi(s_1, \dots, s_k) \equiv \phi(t_1, \dots, t_k)$ .

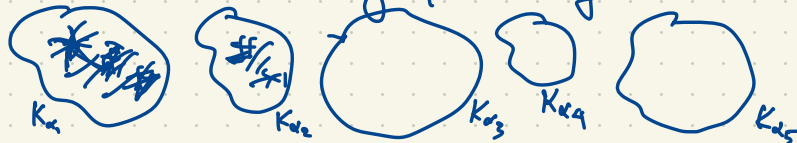
Ex. Let  $A$  be the axioms of field theory,  $\mathbb{C} \models A$ . Let  $S$  be <sup>any</sup> <sup>distinct</sup> algebraically independent subset of  $\mathbb{C}$ . This means that for all  $s_1, \dots, s_k \in S$  and  $f(x_1, \dots, x_k) \in \mathbb{Q}[x_1, \dots, x_k]$  then  $f(s_1, \dots, s_k) \neq 0$ .

eg.  $\{\pi\}$ ,  $\{e\}$ . There are alg. ind. subsets of  $\mathbb{C}$  of uncountable size!

Is  $\{\pi, e\}$  alg. indep.?

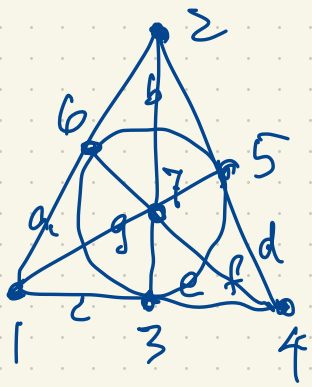
Any set  $S \subseteq \mathbb{C}$  which is alg. indep. is a set of indiscernibles.

Let  $A$  be the axioms of graph theory. Consider a graph  $\Gamma \models A$  that looks like

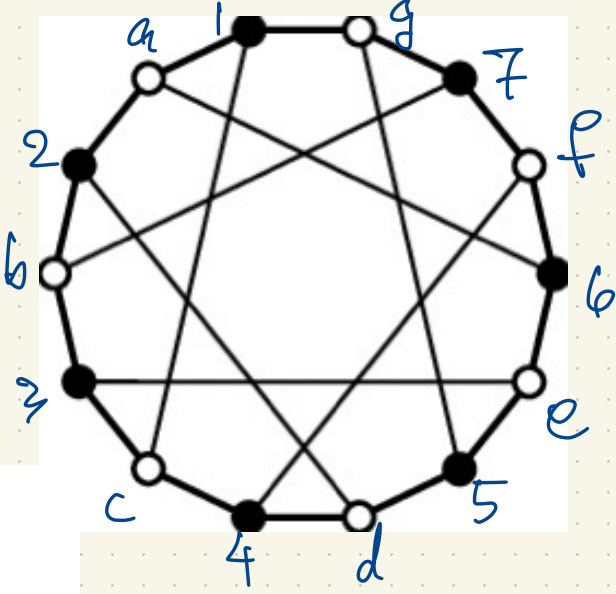


where  $\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_5$  are infinite cardinals

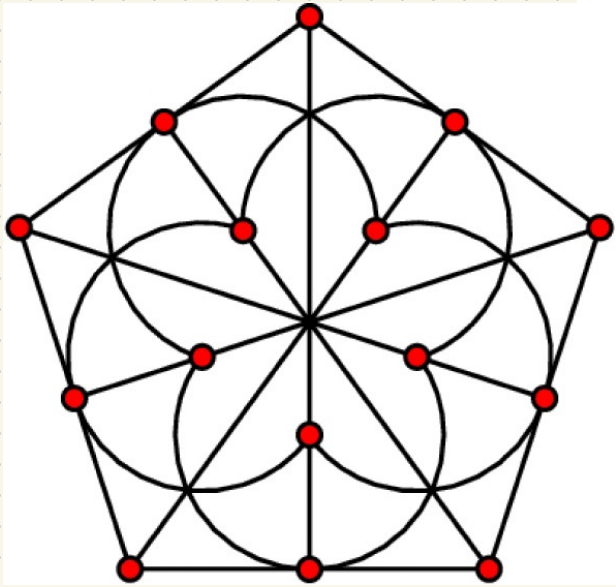
Pick  $s_1 \in K_{\alpha_1}, \dots, s_5 \in K_{\alpha_5}$ .  
 $\{s_1, \dots, s_5\}$  is a set of indiscernibles.



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Proj. Plane  $\leftrightarrow$   
 bipartite graph  
 of diameter 3  
 and girth 6  
 (shortest cycles have  
 length 6)



generalized  
 quadrangle  $\leftrightarrow$

bipartite graph  
 of diameter 4  
 and girth 8.



Let  $\mathcal{L}$  be a language and  $\mathcal{A}$  a set of sentences over  $\mathcal{L}$ . Let  $M \models \mathcal{A}$  be an  $\mathcal{L}$ -structure.  
 A subset  $S \subseteq M$  is a set of indiscernibles if for every  $k \geq 1$  and formula over  $\mathcal{L}$ ,  
 $a_1, \dots, a_k \in S$  distinct, also any  $\phi(x_1, \dots, x_n)$  formula over  $\mathcal{L}$ ,  
 $b_1, \dots, b_k \in S$  distinct,  
 $M \models \phi(a_1, \dots, a_k) \Leftrightarrow \phi(b_1, \dots, b_k)$ .

Eg.  $\mathcal{L} = (\cdot, +, 0, 1)$  = language of rings with identity!

$\mathcal{A}$  = axioms of field theory

$M = \mathbb{C}$

$S \subseteq \mathbb{C}$  any algebraically independent set (i.e. for  $a_1, \dots, a_k \in S$  distinct,

$f(x_1, \dots, x_k) \in \mathbb{Q}[x_1, \dots, x_k]$  nonzero poly.,  $f(a_1, \dots, a_k) \neq 0$ .)

Let  $s, t \in S$ . Eg.  $\phi(x, y) : x^2 + xy + y^2 = 0$ .

For all  $s, t \in S$  ( $s \neq t$ ),  $\phi(s, t)$  is false.

$\psi(x, y) : (\forall u)(\exists v)(ux + vy = 1)$ .

$\psi(s, t)$  is true for all  $s \neq t$  in  $S$ .

Dense Linear Order Without Endpoints

$\mathcal{L} = (<)$ ,  $\mathcal{A}$  = axioms of DLO without endpoints,  $M = (\mathbb{Q}, <)$  usual ordering on  $\mathbb{Q}$ .  
 $M \models \mathcal{A}$  (the unique countable model up to isomorphism). This structure has no indiscernible sets  $S$  with  $|S| \geq 1$ . If  $s, t \in S$  with  $s \neq t$  then  $(s, t)$ ,  $(t, s)$  are discernible

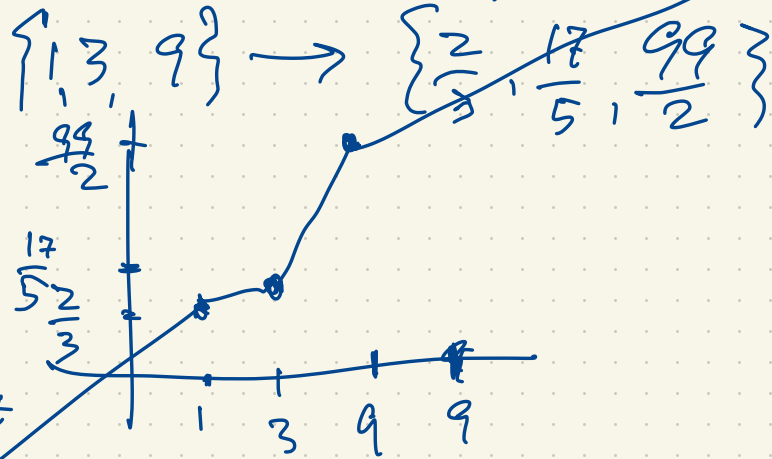
eg.  $s < t \rightarrow \neg(t < s)$

A set of order indiscernibles in  $M$  is an ordered set  $S = \{s_t : t \in \mathbb{Q}\}$   
 such that whenever  $t_1 < \dots < t_k$  in  $\mathbb{Q}$  and  $\phi(x_1, \dots, x_k)$  is a prop. formula over  $\mathcal{L}$   
 $u_1 < \dots < u_k$  in  $\mathbb{Q}$   
 we have  $M \models (\phi(s_{t_1}, \dots, s_{t_k}) \leftrightarrow \phi(s_{u_1}, \dots, s_{u_k}))$ .

Now  $\mathcal{L} = (<)$ ,  $M = (\mathbb{Q}, <)$ ,  $S = \mathbb{Q}$ .  
 $S$  is a set of order indiscernibles.

Theorem Let  $A$  be a collection of sentences over a language  $\mathcal{L}$ . If  $A$  has an infinite model  $M \models A$ , then  $A$  has an infinite model with a set of order indiscernibles  $S \subseteq M$ ,  $S = \{s_t : t \in \mathbb{Q}\}$ .

(Here we have chosen  $S$  having order type  $(\mathbb{Q}, <)$  but you can choose any total order you want and get models of  $A$  with sets of order indiscernibles of the desired order type.)



Remark: The Upward Löwenheim-Skolem Theorem says: if  $A$  has an infinite model  $M$  then it also has models of every cardinality  $\geq |M|$ .

$|A| = |B|$  iff there is a bijection  $A \rightarrow B$ .

$|A| \leq |B|$  iff there is a bijection between  $A$  and a subset of  $B$  (i.e. an injection  $A \rightarrow B$ ) 1:1 map

eg.  $\mathbb{N} = \{1, 2, 3, \dots\}$ ,  $\mathbb{N}_0 = \{0, 1, 2, 3, \dots\} = \aleph_0$ . The map  $x \mapsto x$ ,  $\mathbb{N} \rightarrow \mathbb{N}_0$  is injective so

$|\mathbb{N}| \leq |\mathbb{N}_0|$ . But  $|\mathbb{N}| = |\mathbb{N}_0|$  since  $x \mapsto x-1$  is a bijection  $\mathbb{N} \rightarrow \mathbb{N}_0$ .

$|\mathbb{N}| = |\mathbb{N}_0| = |\mathbb{Q}| = |\mathbb{Z}| = |\mathbb{Q}^n| = \aleph_0$  ( $n=1, 2, 3, \dots$ ) Countably infinite;  $|\mathbb{R}| > \aleph_0$ . why?

$\mathbb{N} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ ,  $x \mapsto x$  is an injection so  $|\mathbb{N}| \leq |\mathbb{R}|$ . Cantor showed there is no bijection so  $|\mathbb{N}| < |\mathbb{R}|$ . More generally, if  $S$  is any set then  $|S| < |\mathcal{P}(S)|$  where  $\mathcal{P}(S) =$  power set of  $S = \{\text{all subsets of } S\}$ .

$$|\mathbb{R}| = |\mathcal{P}(\mathbb{N})|.$$

~~Possible~~ Sizes (cardinalities) of sets:  $0, 1, 2, 3, \dots, \aleph_0, \aleph_1, \aleph_2, \aleph_3, \aleph_4, \dots, \aleph_w, \aleph_{w+1}, \dots$   
 $0, 1, 2, 3, \dots, \aleph_0, \aleph_1, \aleph_2, \aleph_3, \aleph_4, \dots, \aleph_w, \aleph_{w+1}, \dots$

Since  $|\mathbb{R}| > \aleph_0$ , we have  $|\mathbb{R}| \geq \aleph_1$ .

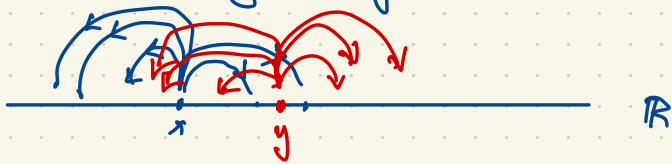
(CH (Continuum Hypothesis):  $|\mathbb{R}| = \aleph_1$ , i.e. there is no set  $A$  with  $|\mathbb{N}| < |A| < |\mathbb{R}|$ .  
"Conjecture"

$\neg$ CH:  $|\mathbb{R}| \geq \aleph_2$  i.e. there exists a set  $B$  with  $|\mathbb{N}| < |B| < |\mathbb{R}|$ .

By ZFC, every set  $S$  can be well-ordered. There is an order relation " $\preceq$ " on  $S$  such that

- if  $a \preceq b$  and  $b \preceq c$  then  $a \preceq c$
- if  $a \preceq b$  and  $b \preceq a$  then  $a=b$ . ( $a \preceq b$  means  $\underline{a \prec b}$  or  $a=b$ )
- Every nonempty subset of  $S$  has a least element. If  $A \subseteq S$ ,  $A \neq \emptyset$  then there exists  $a \in A$  with  $a \preceq x$  for all  $x \in A$ .  
In other words, there is no infinite decreasing sequence  $a_1 \succ a_2 \succ a_3 \succ a_4 \succ \dots$  in  $A$ .

The Axiom of Symmetry AS:  $x$  shoots at positions  $A_x \subset \mathbb{R}$ ,  $|A_x| \leq \aleph_0$ .  
 $x \notin A_x$



AS: There exist  $x \neq y$  in  $\mathbb{R}$  such that  $x \notin A_y$ ,  $y \notin A_x$ .  
(Neither of  $x, y$  hits the other.)

AS is very easily believable.

AS is equivalent to  $\neg CH$ .

Proof of CH implies  $\neg AS$ : Assuming CH,  $|\mathbb{R}| = \aleph_1$ , so well-order  $(\mathbb{R}, \triangleleft)$  of type  $\omega_1$ .

For every  $x \in \mathbb{R}$ , define  $A_x = \{y \in \mathbb{R} : \underbrace{y \triangleleft x}_{y \in x}\}$ .  $x \in \mathbb{R}$  says  $\underbrace{x \triangleleft \omega_1}_{x \in \omega_1}$ , so  $x$  is a countable ordinal.

so  $|A_x| \leq \aleph_0$ .

$\left. \begin{array}{l} x \in A_y \iff x \triangleleft y \\ y \in A_x \iff y \triangleleft x \end{array} \right\}$  Since  $x \neq y$ , one of these holds. This contradicts AS.

Proof of  $\neg CH \rightarrow AS$ : Assuming there exists  $B \subset \mathbb{R}$  with  $\aleph_0 < |B| < |\mathbb{R}|$ , say  $|B| = \aleph_1$ ,  $|\mathbb{R}| \geq \aleph_2$ , and let  $x \mapsto A_x$  be any assignment of countable subsets of  $\mathbb{R}$  to the real numbers  $x \in \mathbb{R}$ .

$B_1 = \bigcup_{x \in B} A_x = \{\text{all points hit from } B\}$ .  $|B_1| \leq \aleph_1$ .

$B_2 = \bigcup_{x \in B_1} A_x$   $|B_2| \leq \aleph_1$ , etc.  $B^* = B \cup B_1 \cup B_2 \cup B_3 \cup \dots$   $|B^*| = \aleph_1$ .

Since  $|B^*| < |\mathbb{R}|$ , we can pick  $x \in \mathbb{R}$ ,  $x \notin B^*$ . We want to pick

$y \in B^*$ ,  $y \notin A_x$ . Since  $|A_x| = \aleph_0 < |B^*|$ , such  $y$  exists.

Also  $x \notin A_y$  since points  $y \in B^*$  can only hit other points in  $B^*$ .

Thus AS holds.

Freiling c.1986 introduced AS. But this was actually due to Sierpinski.

$$AS = AS_1$$

$AS_2$  says: Given any assignment  $\{x, y\} \mapsto A_{x,y} \subseteq \mathbb{R}$  (for  $x \neq y$  in  $\mathbb{R}$ )

$$|A_{x,y}| \leq \aleph_0$$

there exist three distinct  $x, y, z \in \mathbb{R}$  such that none of them are shot by the other two i.e.

$$x \notin A_{y,z}$$



$$y \notin A_{x,z}$$

$$z \notin A_{x,y}$$

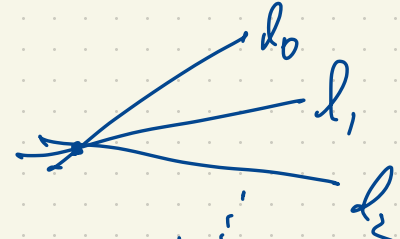
$AS_2$  is equivalent to  $|\mathbb{R}| \geq \aleph_3$ .

$AS_3$  . . . . .  $|\mathbb{R}| \geq \aleph_4$

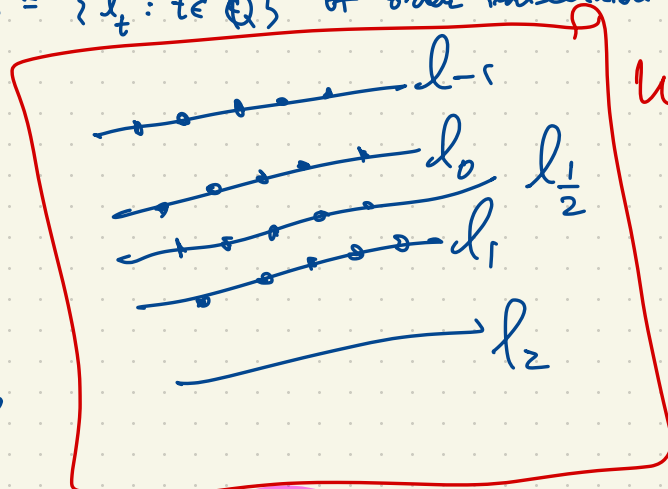
Theorem (Cherlin) Let  $\mathcal{Q}$  be a generalized quadrangle with  $k$  points on every line,  $k \in \{3, 4\}$ .  
 Then  $\mathcal{Q}$  is finite. (Actually known previously for  $k = 3, 4$ .)

Language:  $I(x, y)$  binary relation "x is incident with y" i.e.  or   
 $P(x), L(y)$  unary relations.

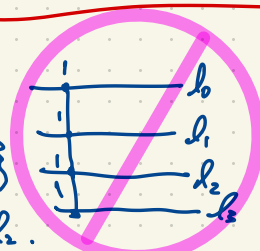
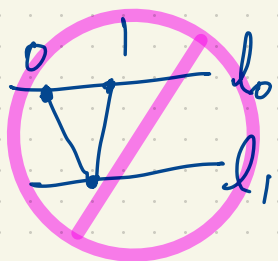
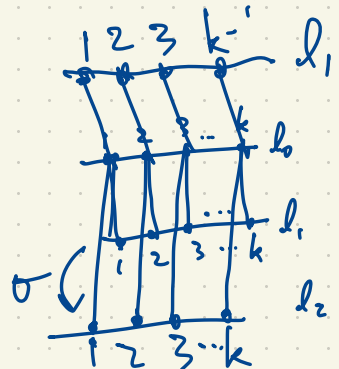
Proof Suppose the theory of GQ's with  $k$  points per line has an infinite model. Then it has an infinite model with a set  $S = \{l_t : t \in \mathbb{Q}\}$  of order indiscernible lines.



or

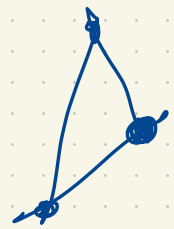


WLOG



$l_0, l_1, l_2, l_3$

$0 < 1 < 2$   
 $0 < 1 < 3$

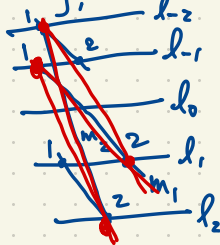


There is a permutation  $\sigma: \{1, 2, \dots, k\} \rightarrow \{1, 2, \dots, k\}$  such that point  $i$  on  $l_1$  is joined to point  $\sigma(i)$  on  $l_2$ .

( $\sigma$  is a derangement of  $\{1, \dots, k\}$ .  
 $\sigma$  is fixed point free i.e.  $\sigma(i) \neq i$ .)

By order-indiscernibility, whenever  $0 < s < t$ , point  $i$  of  $l_s$  is joined to point  $\sigma(i)$  of  $l_t$ .

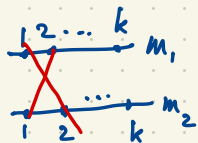
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Suppose  $\sigma(1) = 2$ . (WLOG)

For each  $t > 0$  ( $t \in \mathbb{Q}$ ), let  $m_t$  be the line joining point 1 on  $l_t$  with point 2 on  $l_t$ .

This gives from  $\{l_t : t \in \mathbb{Q}\}$  a new set of lines  $\{m_t : t \in \mathbb{Q}, t > 0\}$ .  $m_t \cap m_{t'} = \emptyset$  for all  $t \neq t'$  and the collection  $\{m_t : t \in \mathbb{Q}, t > 0\}$  of lines is again a collection of order indiscernibles.



If we replace the original  $\{l_t\}_t$  with  $\{m_t\}_t$  then the new  $\sigma$  is a derangement satisfying  $\sigma(1) = 2$ ,  $\sigma(2) = 1$ .

If  $k = 3$  we have a contradiction!

For  $k = 4, 5$  we must work a little harder.

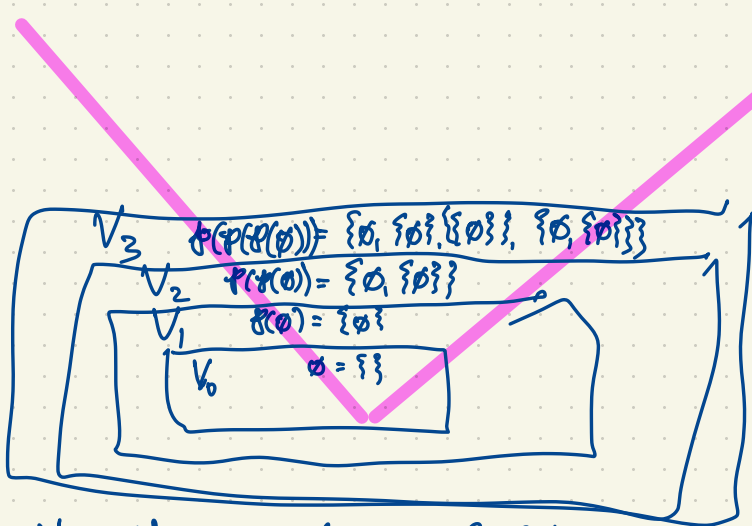


Set Theory ZFC axioms for first order set theory. See Cameron; Borchers

Richard Borchers YouTube  $\rightarrow$  Zermelo-Fraenkel ( $\approx 9$  videos)

Avoid Russel's Paradox!

If  $S$  has  $n$  elements  
then  $\mathcal{P}(S)$  has  $2^n$  elements



The Von Neumann Universe of Sets

Starting with  ~~$V_0 = \{\}$~~  or  $V_0 = \emptyset$ ??

recursively  $V_{n+1} = \mathcal{P}(V_n)$

$$V_\omega = V_0 \cup V_1 \cup V_2 \cup \dots$$

$$V_{\omega+1} = \mathcal{P}(V_\omega)$$

$$V_{\omega+2} = \mathcal{P}(V_{\omega+1})$$

$\vdots$

$$V_{\omega+2} = V_{\omega+\omega} = \bigcup_{V_\omega \cup V_{\omega+1} \cup V_{\omega+2} \cup \dots} V_\omega \cup V_{\omega+1} \cup V_{\omega+2} \cup \dots$$

"Keep going"

$V_0, V_1, V_2, \dots$

$$V_a \mapsto V_{\omega+a}$$

Axioms of ZFC : language ' $\in$ ', ' $=$ ' or just ' $\in$ ' (include ' $=$ ' as a standard symbol in first order logic)

Axiom of Extensionality Two sets are equal iff they have the same elements.

$$(\forall x)(\forall y) [ (\forall z) (z \in x \leftrightarrow z \in y) \rightarrow (x = y) ]$$

Axiom of Foundation No set  $x$  can satisfy  $x \in x$ . More generally, there is no infinite descending sequence  $x_0 \ni x_1 \ni x_2 \ni x_3 \ni x_4 \ni \dots$  (\*)

Every nonempty set  $x$  has an element  $y \in x$  which is disjoint from  $x$ , i.e.  $y \cap x = \emptyset$ .

$$(\forall x) (x \neq \emptyset \rightarrow (\exists y) (y \in x \wedge y \cap x = \emptyset))$$

$$(\forall x) ( ( (\exists z) (z \in x) ) \rightarrow (\exists y) (y \in x \wedge \neg (\exists z) (z \in y \wedge z \in x)) ) )$$

This is equivalent to (\*). If  $x_0 \ni x_1 \ni x_2 \ni x_3 \ni \dots$  then  $y = \{x_0, x_1, x_2, x_3, \dots\}$  is a nonempty set but if we take any element of  $y$ , it has the form  $x_n$  for some  $n$ , with

$$x_{n+1} \in y \cap x_n.$$

Conversely if our new axiom fails then  $x_0 \ni x_1 \ni x_2 \ni \dots$

$$\{x : \phi(x)\}$$

$$B = \{x \in A : \phi(x)\}$$

Use Axiom of Separation / Selection / Specification : (one axiom for each formula  $\phi(x)$ )

$$(\forall A) (\exists B) (\forall x) ( (x \in B) \leftrightarrow (x \in A \wedge \phi(x)) )$$

$(\forall x \in A)(\phi(x))$  means  $(\forall x)((x \in A) \rightarrow \phi(x))$

$(\exists x \in A)(\phi(x))$  ...  $(\exists x)((x \in A) \wedge \phi(x))$

$(\exists! x \in A)(\phi(x))$  .  $(\exists x)((x \in A) \wedge \phi(x)) \wedge [(\forall w)((w \in A) \wedge \phi(w)) \rightarrow w = x]$

### Axiom Schema of Replacement

If you had a function  $f: A \rightarrow B$  then we want to say the image  $C = \{f(a) : a \in A\}$  is a set.

Here  $f$  can be implicitly defined by a formula  $\phi(x, y)$  if for every  $x \in A$  there is a unique  $y \in B$  satisfying  $\phi(x, y)$ .

$(\forall A)(\forall B)[(\forall x \in A)(\exists! y \in B)(\phi(x, y)) \rightarrow (\exists C)(\forall y)(y \in C \leftrightarrow ((y \in B) \wedge (\exists x \in A)(\phi(x, y))))]$

Axiom of Pairing Justifies  $\{x, y\}$ .

$(\forall x)(\forall y)(\exists A)((x \in A) \wedge (y \in A))$  Then  $\{z \in A : (z=x) \vee (z=y)\} = \{x, y\}$

Note: If  $x=y$  this reduces to  $\{x\}$ .

(Uses Selection Axiom)

Axiom of Union Justifies  $A \cup B$ .

$A \cap B = \{x \in A : x \in B\}$

$(\forall A)(\forall B)(\exists S)(\forall x)((x \in S) \leftrightarrow (x \in A \vee x \in B))$ .

Axiom of Power Set Given  $A$ , we want  $B = \mathcal{P}A = \{\text{subsets of } A\}$ .

$(\forall A)(\exists B)(\forall y)[(y \subseteq A) \rightarrow (y \in B)]$

$(\forall A)(\exists B)(\forall y)(\forall z)[(\forall z)(z \in y \rightarrow z \in A) \rightarrow (y \in B)]$

## Axiom of Infinity

Justifies  $\omega = \{0, 1, 2, 3, 4, \dots\}$  where  $0 = \emptyset$ ,  $1 = \{0\}$ ,  $2 = \{0, 1\}$ ,  $3 = \{0, 1, 2\}$ , ...

$$(\exists S) [(\emptyset \in S) \wedge (\forall x \in S)(x \cup \{x\} \in S)]$$

$$(\exists z) [(\forall x)(\neg(x \in z)) \wedge (z \in S)]$$

Axiom of Choice For any collection  $\mathcal{C}$  of nonempty sets, there exists a function assigning to each  $A \in \mathcal{C}$  an element of  $A$ .

A relation between  $A$  and  $B$  is a subset of  $A \times B$ ; a function  $A \rightarrow B$  is a relation satisfying  $(a, b), (a, b') \in A \times B \rightarrow b = b'$ .

$$A \times B = \{(a, b) : a \in A, b \in B\}$$

Kuratowski  $(a, b) = \{\{a\}, \{a, b\}\}$ .

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ZFC Axioms. Models?

How about the entire von Neumann universe  $V = \bigcup V_\alpha$ ? No, this is not a set; it is a proper class. What about  $V_\alpha$  for some "sufficiently large" ordinal  $\alpha$ ?

This requires that  $|\alpha|$  be inaccessible i.e.

(1)  $|\alpha| > |\omega| = \aleph_0$  ( $\alpha$  is uncountable)

(2) If  $|\lambda| < |\alpha|$  then  $2^{|\lambda|} < |\alpha|$

(3) If  $\{\lambda_\beta : \beta \in B\}$  is a collection of smaller ordinals  $|\lambda_\beta| < |\alpha|$  for all  $\beta \in B$ ,  $|B| < |\alpha|$  then  $\sup_{\beta \in B} |\lambda_\beta| < |\alpha|$

$V_\omega$  satisfies (2), (3) but not (1).

Ordinals: sets which are well-ordered by ' $\in$ '. They are the canonical examples of well-ordered sets.

$$\emptyset = 0$$

$$\{\emptyset\} = 1 = \{0\}$$

$$\{\emptyset, \{\emptyset\}\} = 2 = \{0, 1\} = 1 \cup \{1\}$$

$$3 = \{0, 1, 2\} \quad 0 \in 1 \in 2$$

⋮

$$\omega = \{0, 1, 2, 3, \dots\}$$

$$\omega + 1 = \omega \cup \{\omega\}$$

$$\omega + 2 = \omega + 1 \cup \{\omega + 1\}$$

$$\alpha + 1 = \alpha \cup \{\alpha\}$$

$$3 = 2 \cup \{2\} \text{ etc.}$$

Every ordinal is either a successor or a limit ordinal.  
eg.  $1, 2, 3, \dots; \omega + 1$   
eg.  $0, \omega$

Cardinal numbers are the names for cardinalities of sets.  
 These may be viewed as a proper subclass of the ordinals:

|           |                     |            |                   |            |         |            |         |            |         |            |
|-----------|---------------------|------------|-------------------|------------|---------|------------|---------|------------|---------|------------|
| Ordinals  | $0, 1, 2, 3, \dots$ | $\omega$   | $\omega+1, \dots$ | $\omega_1$ | $\dots$ | $\omega_2$ | $\dots$ | $\omega_3$ | $\dots$ | $\omega_n$ |
| Cardinals | $0, 1, 2, 3, \dots$ | $\aleph_0$ |                   | $\aleph_1$ |         | $\aleph_2$ |         | $\aleph_3$ | $\dots$ | $\aleph_n$ |

$$\omega+1 = \{0, 1, 2, 3, \dots\} \cup \{\omega\}$$

$V_{\omega_n}$  satisfies (1), (3) but not (2) ( $n = 1, 2, 3, \dots$ )

$V_{\omega}$  satisfies (1), (2) but not (3).

We cannot prove in ZFC that inaccessible cardinals exist (unless ZFC is inconsistent).  
 Usually one adds an extra assumption ("large cardinal axiom") to justify having an inaccessible cardinal).

## Transfinite Induction / Recursion

Given a collection of statements  $S_\alpha$  ( $\alpha \in A$  where  $A$  is well-ordered) we can ask for a proof of all these statements by transfinite induction.

To prove  $S_\alpha$  for all  $\alpha \in A$ , it is sufficient to prove the following inductive step:

Whenever  $S_\beta$  holds for all  $\beta < \alpha$ ,  $S_\alpha$  also holds.

Why? Assuming the inductive step holds for all  $\alpha \in A$ , we must show  $S_\alpha$  holds for all  $\alpha \in A$ . This is proved by contradiction. If  $S_\alpha$  fails for at least one

$\alpha \in A$ , then  $B = \{\alpha \in A : S_\alpha \text{ fails}\}$  is a nonempty subset of  $A$ , so there is a least element  $\beta \in B$ . Then  $S_\alpha$  holds for all  $\alpha < \beta$  (by minimality of  $\beta$ ) so by the inductive step,  $S_\beta$  holds so  $\beta \notin B$ . Contradiction.

Eg. It is possible to partition  $X = \mathbb{R}^3 - \{0\}$  into Euclidean lines. (Clearly  $\mathbb{R}^3$  can be partitioned into Euclidean lines. Not so obvious for  $X = \mathbb{R}^3 - \{0\}$ .) Zorn's Lemma doesn't give us such a partition (i.e. a maximal set of mutually disjoint lines in  $X$  doesn't necessarily cover  $X$ ).



$$|X| = ?$$

$$|\mathbb{R}^3| = 2^{\aleph_0} = |\mathbb{R}| = |X|.$$

( $0 \in \mathbb{R}^3$  is a single point)

$\Sigma \subset \{\text{lines of } \mathbb{R}^3 \text{ contained in } X\}$

$$|\Sigma| = 2^{\aleph_0}$$

$l \cap m = \emptyset$  whenever  $l \neq m$  in  $\Sigma$ .