

# INFINITE GAMES

Lecture VII  
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Baire space  $\omega^\omega$   
Cantor space  $2^\omega$

METRIC

$$d(x, y) := \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } x = y \\ 2^{-n} & \text{if } x \upharpoonright n = y \upharpoonright n \\ & \& \bigvee x(n) \neq y(n) \end{cases}$$

Open balls / basic open sets

$$[s] := \{x \in \omega^\omega ; s \subseteq x\}$$

↑  
Countably many basic open sets.

Convergence

$$x_n \longrightarrow x$$

$$\iff \forall \varepsilon \exists N \forall n > N \quad d(x_n, x) < \varepsilon$$

$$\iff \forall m \exists N \forall n > N \quad d(x_n, x) < 2^{-m}$$

$$\iff \forall m \exists N \forall n > N \quad x_n \upharpoonright m = x \upharpoonright m$$

If  $A \subseteq \omega^\omega$ , we can define

$$T_A := \{x \upharpoonright n ; x \in A, n \in \mathbb{N}\}$$

tree

Observe

$$A \subseteq [T_A]$$

$$\left[ x \in A \rightarrow \begin{array}{l} x \upharpoonright n \in T_A \\ \forall n \in \mathbb{N} \end{array} \rightarrow x \in [T_A] \right]$$



Proposition  $[T_A]$  is the closure of  $A$ ,  
i.e.,  $\{x; \exists (x_n) \text{ with } x_n \in A$   
and  $x_n \rightarrow x\}$

Proof. Suppose  $x_n \in A$  and  $x_n \rightarrow x$ .

By our characterisation of convergence,  
this means that  $x \upharpoonright k = x_n \upharpoonright k$  for some  
 $n$ ,

so  $x \upharpoonright k \in T_A$ . Since  $k$  was arbitrary  
 $x \in [T_A]$ .

Suppose that  $x \in [T_A]$ . For every  
 $k \in \mathbb{N}$ ,  $x \upharpoonright k \in T_A$ , so there is some  
 $x_k \in A$  s.t.  $x \upharpoonright k = x_k \upharpoonright k$ .

Then by the characterisation of  
convergence:  $x_k \rightarrow x$ .

So  $x$  is in the closure of  $A$ .

q.e.d.

Corollary  $A \subseteq \omega^\omega$  is closed  $\iff$   
 $\exists T \ A = [T]$ .

(we know  
that  $T := T_A$   
does it).

TREE REPRESENTATION  
THM FOR CLOSED SETS



Some more topological properties:

Basic open sets  $[s] = [T_s]$

where  $T_s := \{t; s \subseteq t \text{ or } t \subseteq s\}$

So: basic open sets are closed

→ clopen

Spaces like these are called zero-dimensional.

If  $x \in \omega^\omega$ , then  $\{x\} = [T_x]$  with

$T_x := \{x \upharpoonright n; n \in \mathbb{N}\}$

So singletons are closed and not open.

Hausdorff Separation ( $T_2$ ):

If  $x \neq y$  find  $n$  s.t.  $x \upharpoonright n \neq y \upharpoonright n$ .

Then  $[x \upharpoonright n] \ni x$   
 $[y \upharpoonright n] \ni y$ ;  $[x \upharpoonright n] \cap [y \upharpoonright n] = \emptyset$

CONTINUOUS FUNCTIONS [Proof on ES#2]

If  $g: \omega^{<\omega} \rightarrow \omega^{<\omega}$  s.t.

(1)  $g$  is order-preserving:  
 $s \subseteq t \rightarrow g(s) \subseteq g(t)$

(2)  $g$  is "unbounded":  
if  $x \in \omega^\omega$   $h_x(g(x \upharpoonright n)) \rightarrow \infty$

$\hat{g}(x) := \bigcup_{n \in \mathbb{N}} g(x \upharpoonright n)$



If  $f, g: \omega^{<\omega} \rightarrow \omega^{<\omega}$  sat. (1) & (2)

$$\uparrow \hat{f}: \omega^\omega \rightarrow \omega^\omega$$

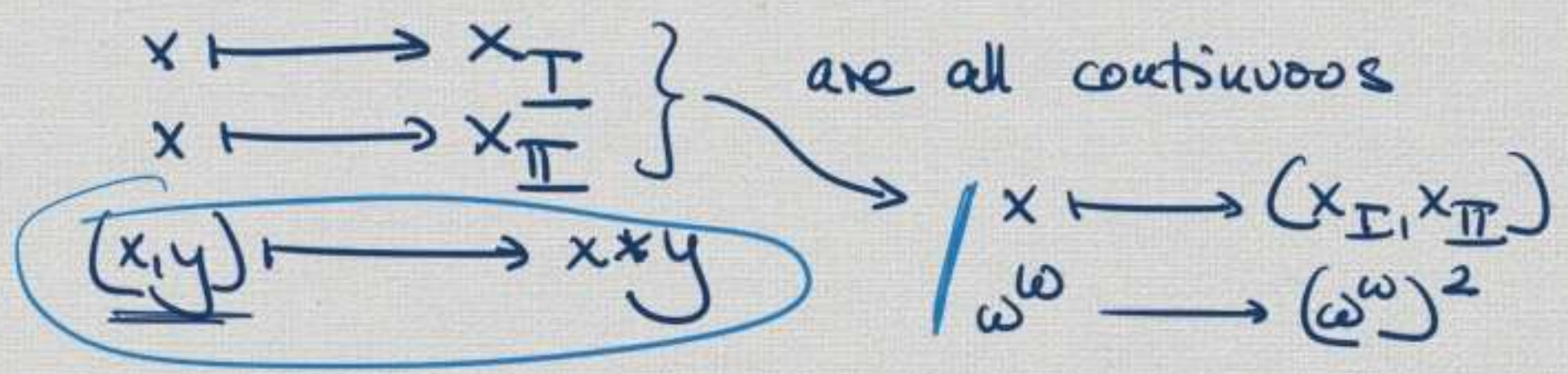
Proposition (w/o proof; ES#2)

$f: \omega^\omega \rightarrow \omega^\omega$  is continuous  
 iff there is  $g: \omega^{<\omega} \rightarrow \omega^{<\omega}$   
 with (1) & (2) s.t.  $f = \hat{g}$ .

RULE OF THOMAS

A function  $f$  is continuous if and only if in order to determine  $f(x)(k)$ , I only need  $x \upharpoonright n$  for some finite  $n$ .

Now consider functions from  $(\omega^\omega)^2$  to  $\omega^\omega$  and vice versa and  $\omega^\omega$  to  $\omega^\omega$ :





Thus  $(\omega^\omega)^2$  and  $\omega^\omega$  are homeomorphic with inverse by  $(x, y) \mapsto xy$   
 $x \mapsto (x_I, x_{II})$ .

This phenomenon may explain the name zero-dimensional.

[Similarly:  $(\omega^\omega)^k \cong (\omega^\omega)^l$  for every  $k, l > 0$ !]

Theorem Baire space is homeomorphic to  $\mathbb{R} \setminus \mathbb{Q}$ .

[Proof uses continued fractions: if  $x \in \mathbb{R} \setminus \mathbb{Q}$ , then there is a sequence  $a_i \in \mathbb{Z}^\omega$  s.t.

$$x = \cfrac{1}{a_0 + \cfrac{1}{a_1 + \cfrac{1}{a_2 + \dots}}}$$

So while topologically quite different from the reals  $\mathbb{R}$ , Baire space is set-theoretically very close to the reals: many set-theoretic properties/proofs only depend on cardinality.



## Example

ES#1 (4) has ~~three~~ principles

$$AC_X(Y)$$

These are invariant under replacing  $X$  or  $Y$  with  $X'$ ,  $Y'$  s.t.  $X$  is in bij. with  $X'$  and  $Y$  is in bij. with  $Y'$ .

In particular,

$$\begin{aligned} \underline{AC_\omega(\mathbb{R})} &\iff AC_\omega(\omega^\omega) \\ &\iff AC_\omega(2^\omega) \\ &\iff AC_\omega(X) \end{aligned}$$

where  $X$  is any set in bij. w.  $\mathbb{R}$ .

## IN SET THEORY

we often refer to elements of  $2^\omega$  or  $\omega^\omega$  as "reals" and abuse the notation by sometimes writing  $\mathbb{R} := \omega^\omega$ .



MOTTO / HOPE

If  $A$  is "simple", then  $A$  is determined.

Need a complexity hierarchy on Baire space:

Borel hierarchy

Let  $X$  be any topological space:

$$\Sigma_1^0 := \{A \subseteq X; A \text{ is open in } X\}$$

[BOLDFACE] SIGMA ZERO ONE

if  $\Sigma_\alpha^0$  is defined

$$\Pi_\alpha^0 := \{X \setminus A; A \in \Sigma_\alpha^0\}$$

if  $\alpha$  is an ordinal & for all  $\gamma < \alpha$ ,  $\Pi_\gamma^0$  is defined

$$\Sigma_\alpha^0 := \{A; \exists (A_n) \text{ s.t. for all } n, A_n \in \bigcup_{\gamma < \alpha} \Pi_\gamma^0 \text{ and } A = \bigcup_{n \in \mathbb{N}} A_n\}$$

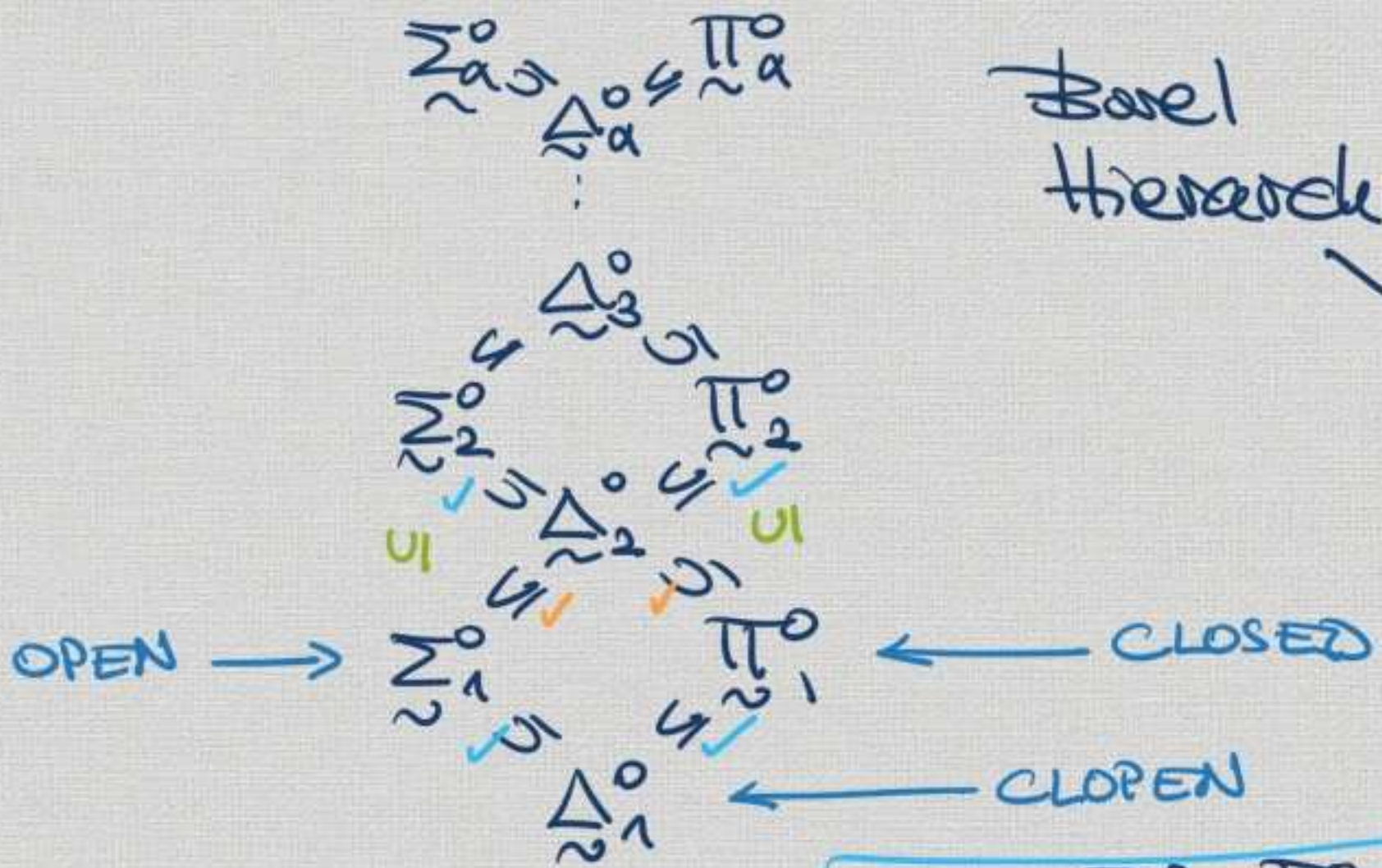
CTBLE UNIONS

COMPLEMENTS

$$\Delta_\alpha^0 := \Sigma_\alpha^0 \cap \Pi_\alpha^0$$



Borel hierarchy



Properties By definition  $\Delta^0_1 \subseteq \Sigma^0_1, \Pi^0_1$

By definition  $\alpha \leq \beta, \Sigma^0_\alpha \subseteq \Sigma^0_\beta$ .

[So by complementation:

$\alpha \leq \beta, \Pi^0_\alpha \subseteq \Pi^0_\beta$ .]

Remains  $\alpha < \beta$ , then  $\Pi^0_\alpha \subseteq \Sigma^0_\beta$

[ $\Leftrightarrow \Sigma^0_\alpha \subseteq \Pi^0_\beta$ ]

This follows from def. of  $\Sigma^0_\beta$  by

letting  $A_n := A$ , so  $\bigcup_{n \in \mathbb{N}} A_n = A$

Q: When does the Borel hierarchy terminate?



## AFTER CLASS Question about REGULAR CARDINALS

Let  $\lambda$  be a limit ordinal. Then:

$cf(\lambda) := \min \{ \alpha; \text{there is a } \left. \begin{array}{l} \text{cofinal fu } f: \alpha \rightarrow \lambda \\ \text{unbounded} \end{array} \right\}$   
COPINALITY OF  $\lambda$

$\lambda$  is REGULAR if  $\lambda = cf(\lambda)$

$\lambda$  is SINGULAR if  $\lambda > cf(\lambda)$

These notions show up in L&ST, but not necessarily the words "regular" and "singular"

Theorem (Example Sheet in L&ST)

If  $\alpha < \omega_1$ , then there is no unbounded function  $f: \alpha \rightarrow \omega_1$ .

[ $\iff \omega_1$  is regular]

NOTE THAT THIS THEOREM USES THE AXIOM OF CHOICE.

If you want to reformulate Example (4) without the word "regular", then (4) asks you to prove:

$AC_{\omega}(\mathbb{R}) \implies$  every  $f: \mathbb{N} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  is bounded

[i.e.,  $\forall f: \mathbb{N} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}, \exists \alpha < \mathbb{R}$  s.t.  $\text{ran}(f) \subseteq \alpha$ ]