

# ① Poincare recurrence

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Thm  $(X, \mathcal{B}, \mu) \supset f$  measure preserving.  
 $\mu$  probability measure

$\forall A \in \mathcal{B}$ . a.e.  $x \in A$ .  $(f^n(x))_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$  return to  $A$  infinitely many times.

pf. Def  $B_n = \{x \in A \mid f^m(x) \notin A, \forall m \geq n\}$

Let  $g = f^n$ ;  $B = B_n$ ,  $g$  preserve  $\mu$ . &  $\forall x \in B$ ,  $g^l x \notin A$ .

We have  $g^{-l} B \cap B = \emptyset$ . since  $\forall x \in g^{-l} B \cap B$   ~~$g^l x \in B$~~

$g^l x \in B \subset A$ , &  $x \in B$ . contradicts to def of  $B$ .

Hence  $B, g^{-1}B, g^{-2}B, \dots$  disjoint  $\subset X$ .

but  $\mu(g^{-l}B) = \mu(B)$ .

$$1 \geq \mu\left(\bigcup_{l \geq 0} g^{-l} B\right) = \sum_{l \geq 0} \mu(g^{-l} B) = \sum_{l \geq 0} \mu(B).$$

$$\Rightarrow \mu(B) = 0$$

$$\forall n \quad \mu(B_n) = 0 \Rightarrow \mu\left(A \setminus \bigcup_n B_n\right) = \mu(A)$$

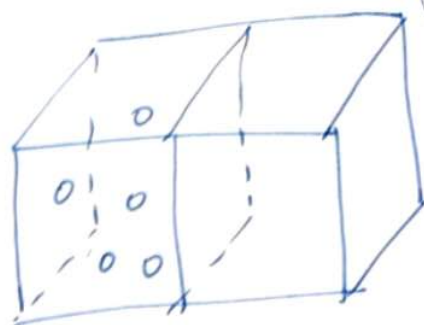
$\forall x \in A \setminus \bigcup_n B_n$ . recurrent.

Ex. (Zeno's paradox)

2 boxes of size 1.

If all points in first box.

$A = \{ \text{neighborhood of initial} \\ \text{all points in first box} \}$



Poincaré recurrence, Leb. a.e.  $x \in A$ ,  $(f^t(x))_{t \geq 0}$  return to  $A$ , paradox to statistic mechanics

Time to return  $2^{10^{23}}$  ... too large to check

(=) Birkhoff recurrence.

Thm.  $X$  cpt metric space,  $f \subseteq X$ .

continuous. Then  $\exists x \in X$  s.t.

$$\exists n_k \rightarrow \infty, \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} f^{n_k}(x) = x$$

Def. Such  $x$  called recurrent pt. (compared to periodic pt)

Remark. 1) If  $X$  not cpt, not true

$$X = \mathbb{R}. \quad f(x) = x + 1$$

2). May have only one recurrent pt

$$X = \mathbb{R} \cup \{\infty\}. \quad f(x) = x + 1, \quad x = \infty \text{ recurrent pt}$$

3). May have no periodic pt, irrational rotations (3)

Def (Minimal set)

$f$ . invariant set  $A$  :  $f(A) \subset A$ .

$A$  closed non-empty invariant set. is minimal if there exist no smaller such set in  $A$ .

Prop. If  $Y$  a minimal set in  $X$ , then

$\forall y \in Y$ .  $\overline{\{f^n(y), n \geq 0\}} = Y$ , recurrent.

pf.  $\overline{\{f^n(y), n \geq 0\}}$  closed, invariant  $\subset Y$ .

Prop.  $X$  cpt metric space.  $f \in C(X)$  continuous

Then  $\exists$  minimal set

pf.  $\mathcal{F} = \{ \overset{\text{non-empty}}{\text{closed, invariant set}} \subset X \}$

$\mathcal{F}$  partially ordered.

$\forall$  descending sequence.  $F_n \supset F_{n+1} \supset \dots$

$\bigcap F_n \in \mathcal{F}$ ,  $\bigcap F_n \neq \emptyset$  due to compact

Zorn lemma:  $\exists$  a minimal element in  $\mathcal{F}$ .

(equivalent to Axiom of choice)

Cor. Birkhoff recurrence

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Ex. 1.  $R_\alpha$  circle rotation

$\forall x \in S' = \mathbb{R}/\mathbb{Z}$ . recurrent for  $R_\alpha$ .

pf. Birkhoff recurrence  $\Rightarrow \exists y \in S'$ , recurrent.

$\forall x \in S'$ ,  $\exists \beta \in \mathbb{R}$  s.t.  $x = R_\beta y$ .

$$\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} R_\alpha^{n_k}(y) = y.$$

$$\begin{aligned} \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} R_\alpha^{n_k}(x) &= \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} R_\alpha^{n_k} R_\beta(y) = \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} R_\beta R_\alpha^{n_k} y \\ &= R_\beta y = x. \end{aligned}$$

~~(transitive commut)~~

Ex 2.  $(\Lambda^{\mathbb{N}}, \sigma)$  or  $(\Lambda^{\mathbb{Z}}, \sigma)$ .

(=) Multiple recurrence.

Thm (Furstenberg - Weiss)

$f \in \mathcal{C}(X)$ . cpt metric space.  $\forall l$ .

$\exists x, n_k$  s.t.  $\forall 1 \leq j \leq l$ .

$$\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} f^{jn_k}(x) = x$$

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$\exists$  recurrent pt  $(x, \dots, x)$  for  $(f, f^2, \dots, f^l)$

Thm (Application) Van der Waerden

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$\forall$  finite partition  $B_1, \dots, B_g$  of  $\mathbb{N}$ .

~~$\forall l. \exists$  length  $l$  arithmetic sequence in~~  
For some  $B_j$ .  $\exists$  arbitrary long arithmetic sequence

pf.  $\Lambda = \{1, \dots, g\}$ .  $\Lambda^{\mathbb{N}}$ .

$\omega \in \Lambda^{\mathbb{N}}$ ,  $\omega_i = j$  if  $i \in B_j$ .

$X = \overline{\{\sigma^n(\omega), n \in \mathbb{N}\}} \subset \Lambda^{\mathbb{N}}$ .

$(X, \sigma)$ . Furstenberg-Weiss

$\Rightarrow \forall l. \exists x \in X$  s.t.  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sigma^{jn_k} x = x$   
 $\forall 1 \leq j \leq l$

Take  $n_k$ .  $d(\sigma^{jn_k} x, x) < 1/l_0 \quad \forall 1 \leq j \leq l$

$x = (x_0, x_1, x_2, \dots)$

$\Rightarrow x_0 = x_{n_k} = \dots = x_{ln_k}$   
By  $x \in \overline{\{\sigma^n(\omega), n \in \mathbb{N}\}}$

$\exists m, d(x, \sigma^m \omega) < 1/2^{ln_k+1}$

$\Rightarrow \omega_{m+jn_k} = x_{jn_k} = x_0$

$\Rightarrow \{m, m+n_k, \dots, m+jn_k\} \subset B_{x_0}$

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Pf. (Furstenberg - Weiss).

$l = 1$  ✓ Birkhoff recurrence

zf  $l-1$  true, consider  $l$ , Assume  $f \curvearrowright X$  minimal

$$X^l \supset \Delta = \{ (x, x, \dots, x) \mid x \in X \} \text{ diag}$$

$$g = (f, f^2, \dots, f^l)$$

$$h = (f, f, \dots, f)$$

$h \curvearrowright \Delta$  minimal,  $h \circ g = g \circ h$

Step 1:  $\exists y_0 \in \Delta$ ,  $z_{0,k} \in \Delta$  s.t.

$$\lim_{k \rightarrow +\infty} g^{n_k}(z_{0,k}) = y_0$$

Pf. Take  $x$ .  $\lim f^{j n_k}(x) = x \quad \forall 1 \leq j \leq l-1$ .

(Induction hypothesis)

$$y_0 = (x, \dots, x) \quad z_{0,k} = (x_k, \dots, x_k)$$

$$\text{where } f^{n_k} x_k = x \quad \left( \begin{array}{l} f(X) \subset X, X \text{ minimal} \Rightarrow f(X) = X \\ f \text{ surjective. } \exists x_k \end{array} \right)$$

$$g^{n_k}(x_k, \dots, x_k) = (x_k, f^{n_k}(x_k), \dots, f^{(l-1)n_k}(x_k)) \rightarrow (x, \dots, x) = y_0$$

Step 2  $\forall y \in \Delta$ ,  $\forall \varepsilon > 0$ .  $\exists z \in \Delta$ ,  $n \geq 1$

$$d(g^n z, y) < \varepsilon \quad (\text{image of } g \text{ large})$$

pf. By  $h \in \Delta$  minimal  $\exists m$

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$$\text{s.t. } d(h^m y_0, y) < \varepsilon/2$$

$$z = h^m z_{0,k}, \quad g^{n_k} z = g^{n_k} h^m z_{0,k}$$

~~def~~

$$= h^m g^{n_k} z_{0,k}$$

$$\longrightarrow h^m y_0$$

$$\text{Take } n_k, \text{ s.t. } d(h^m g^{n_k} z_{0,k}, h^m y_0) < \varepsilon/2.$$

Step 3  $\forall \varepsilon > 0. \exists y, n \geq 1. \text{ s.t.}$

$$d(g^n y, y) < \varepsilon$$

pf. Take  $y_0, \varepsilon_0 = \varepsilon/2$

Step 2  $\Rightarrow y_1, \varepsilon_1 < \varepsilon_0$

$$\forall z \in B(y_1, \varepsilon_1)$$

$$d(g^{n_1} z, y_0) < \varepsilon_0$$

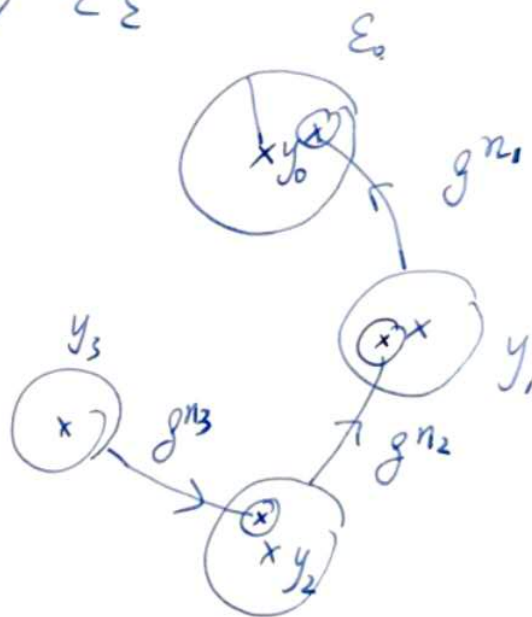
Induction

$$y_k, \varepsilon_k < \varepsilon_{k-1}$$

$$\forall z \in B(y_k, \varepsilon_k). \quad d(g^{n_k} z, y_{k-1}) < \varepsilon_{k-1}.$$

$$\forall j > i.$$

$$d(g^{n_i + n_{i+1} + \dots + n_j}(y_i), y_i) < \varepsilon_i < \varepsilon/2$$



By compactity of  $\Delta$ .  $\exists i, j$   $d(y_i, y_j) < \frac{\varepsilon}{2}$  (S)  
 (A sequence in a compact metric space,  $\exists$  accumulation pt)

$$\Rightarrow d(g^{n_{i_1} + \dots + n_j}(y_j), y_j) < \varepsilon.$$

Step 4.  $\varphi(z) = \inf_{n \geq 1} d(g^n z, z)$

~~Goal~~ Goal: Find  $x$  s.t.  $\varphi(x) = 0$

$\varphi(z)$  upper semi-continuous  $\lim_{y_n \rightarrow y} \varphi(y_n) \leq \varphi(y)$

Continuity pt of  $\varphi$  dense in  $\Delta$ .

a continuous pt of  $\varphi$ . If  $\varphi(a) > 0$ ,  $\exists \delta$ .

$\exists$  <sup>open</sup>  $V \subset \{x \mid \varphi(x) > \delta\}$  ~~open~~

$h$  minimal.  $\Rightarrow \bigcup_{m \geq 1} h^{-m}(V) = \Delta$

$\Delta$  cpt  $\exists$  finite set  $F$ .  $\bigcup_{m \in F} h^{-m}(V) = \Delta$ .

Take  $y$  Step 3.  $y \in h^{-m}(V)$ .  $m \in F$

(\*)  $\Rightarrow d(g^n y, y) < \varepsilon$  &  $d(g^n h^m y, h^m y) > \delta$   
 $d(h^m g^n y, h^m y)$

Take  $\varepsilon$  small s.t.  $h^m$  uniform continuous  $\forall m \in F$

that is  $\forall d(y_i, y_j) < \varepsilon$ ,  $\forall m \in F$ ,  $d(h^m y_i, h^m y_j) < \delta$ .

(Contradiction to (\*))