

GMT 19/20, lecture 11, 23/4/20

## Self-similar fractals (continued)

Setting:

Given:  $\phi_1, \dots, \phi_N$  contractive similarities of  $\mathbb{R}^n$ ,  
 $\phi_i: x \mapsto x_i + \lambda_i R_i x$

with  $x_i \in \mathbb{R}^n$ ,  $R_i \in O(n)$ ,  $\lambda_i \in (0, 1)$

Theorem  $d$  is the sol. of

$$\sum_{i=1}^N \lambda_i^d = 1$$

Theorem

(i)  $\exists!$  compact set  $C \subset \mathbb{R}^n$  s.t.

$$C = \bigcup_{i=1}^N \phi_i(C)$$

(ii)  $H^d(C) < +\infty$

open set cond.

(iii) Assume  $\exists V$  open s.t.

$V \supset \phi_i(V) \ \forall i$

&  $\phi_i(V)$  are disjoint

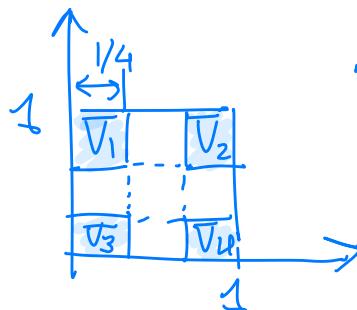
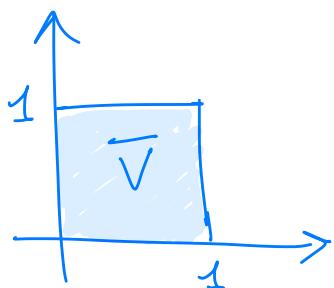
Then  $H^d(C) > 0$ .

## Proof of (i)

$C$  is the (unique) fixed point of the contraction

$$\underline{\Phi}: E \mapsto \bigcup_{i=1}^N \phi_i(E)$$

Example 1 ( $n=2$ )

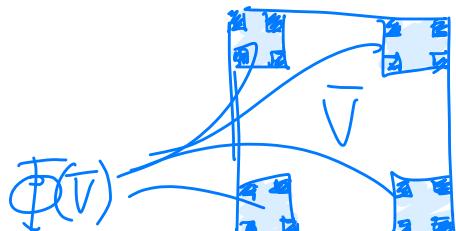


$$\phi_1, \dots, \phi_4$$

map  $\bar{V}$  onto  $\bar{V}_i$

$$\text{thus } \lambda_i = \frac{1}{4}$$

Then  $d$  solves  $4 \cdot \frac{1}{4^d} = 1 \Rightarrow d=1$



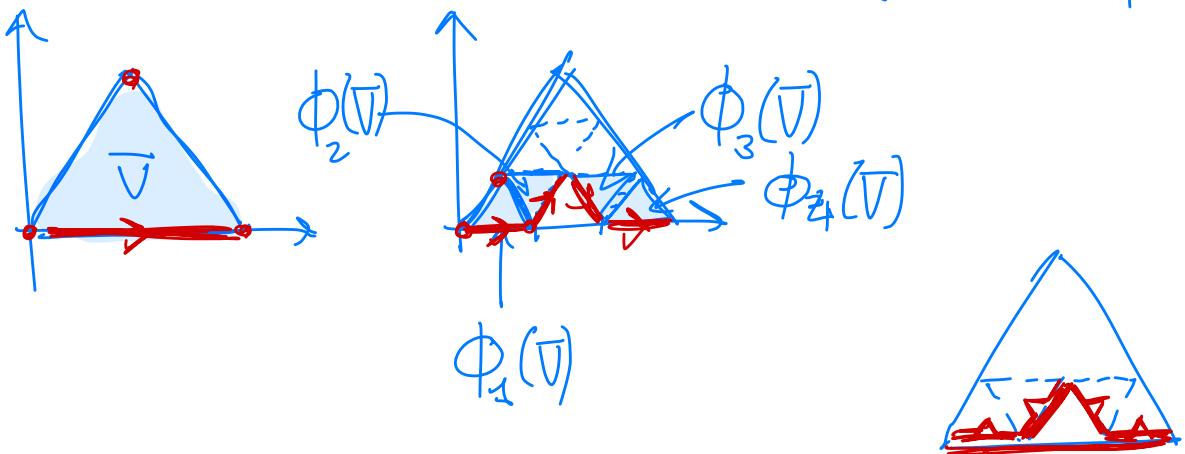
$$\blacksquare \quad \underline{\Phi}^2(V)$$

$\underline{\Phi}^m(V) = \text{union of } 4^m \text{ squares}$   
with side  $\frac{1}{4^m}$

$$C = \bigcap_{m=0}^{\infty} \underline{\Phi}^m(V)$$

## Example 2 ( $n=2$ )

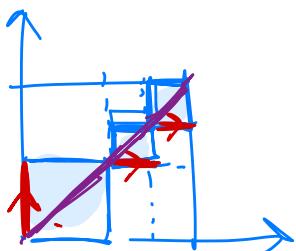
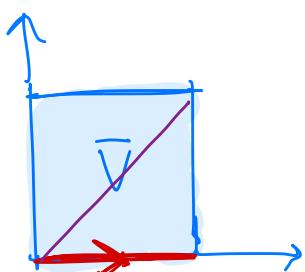
$\phi_1, \dots, \phi_4$



$C$  is the von Koch curve!

$$d \text{ solves } 4 \cdot \frac{1}{3^d} = 1 \Rightarrow d = \frac{\log 4}{\log 3}$$

## Example 3



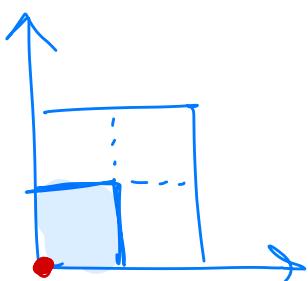
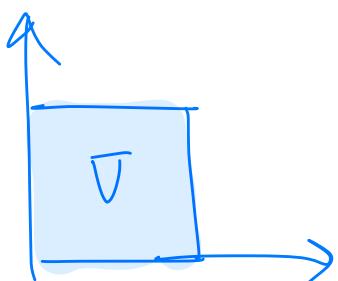
$\phi_1, \phi_2, \phi_3$

scaling factors

$$\frac{1}{2} \quad \frac{1}{4} \quad \frac{1}{4}$$

$$d \text{ solves } 1 = \frac{1}{2^d} + \frac{1}{4^d} + \frac{1}{4^d} \Rightarrow d=1$$

## Example 4



$\phi_1 = \phi_2$  scaling factor  $\frac{1}{2}$

$$d=1$$

proof of (ii)

$$\begin{aligned}
 C &= \bigcup_{i=1}^N \phi_i(C) \\
 &= \bigcup_{i_1=1}^N \phi_{i_1} \left( \bigcup_{i_2=1}^N \phi_{i_2}(C) \right) \\
 &= \bigcup_{1 \leq i_1, i_2 \leq N} \phi_{i_1} \circ \phi_{i_2}(C) \\
 &\vdots \\
 &= \bigcup_{\substack{i_1, \dots, i_m \leq N \\ \underline{i} \in I^m}} \phi_{i_1} \circ \phi_{i_2} \circ \dots \circ \phi_{i_m}(C)
 \end{aligned}$$

Similarity  
 with scal.  
 fact.  
 $\lambda_{\underline{i}} := \lambda_{i_1} \cdot \dots \cdot \lambda_{i_m}$

$I := \{1, \dots, N\}$   
 $\underline{i} = (i_1, \dots, i_m)$

$\underline{\underline{R}}$

Note that  $\text{diam}(C_{\underline{i}}) = \lambda_{\underline{i}} \cdot \text{diam}(C)$

$$\leq \lambda_{\max}^m R$$

$$1 > \lambda_{\max} := \max_{1 \leq i \leq N} \lambda_i$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \mathcal{H}_s^d(C) &\leq \cancel{\frac{\alpha_d}{2^d}} \left( \sum_{\underline{i} \in I^m} \lambda_{\underline{i}}^d \right) R^d = \cancel{\left( \sum_{i=1}^N \lambda_i^d \right)^m} R^d \\
 &\quad \uparrow s \geq \lambda_{\max}^m R \\
 &\Rightarrow \mathcal{H}^d(C) \leq R^d.
 \end{aligned}$$

Proof of (iii) ( $H^d(C) > 0!$ )

I construct a probability measure  $\mu$  on  $C$  s.t.  $\Theta_d^*(\mu, x) < +\infty \quad \forall x \in C.$

Instead of open set cond, I assume a stronger condition:  $\phi_i(V)$  disjoint!!

This implies that  $\phi_i(C)$  are disjoint!  
(Ex.) Take  $\mu$  so that

$$(*) \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \mu(C) = 1 \\ \mu(\phi_i(C)) = \lambda_i^d \\ \dots \\ \mu(C_{\underline{i}}) = \lambda_{\underline{i}}^d \quad \forall m \quad \forall \underline{i} \in I^m \\ \phi_{\underline{i}}(C) \end{array} \right.$$

How do I construct  $\mu$ ?

$\mu = \lim_m \mu_m$  where

Note that

$$\boxed{\mu_m(C_{\underline{i}}) = \lambda_{\underline{i}}^d}$$

$$\forall m' \leq m \quad \forall \underline{i} \in I^{m'}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \mu_0 &= S_{\bar{x}} \quad (\bar{x} \in C) \\ \mu_1 &= \sum_{i=1}^N \lambda_i^d S_{\phi_i(\bar{x})} \\ \vdots \\ \mu_m &= \sum_{\underline{i} \in I^m} \lambda_{\underline{i}}^d S_{\phi_{\underline{i}}(\bar{x})} \end{aligned}$$

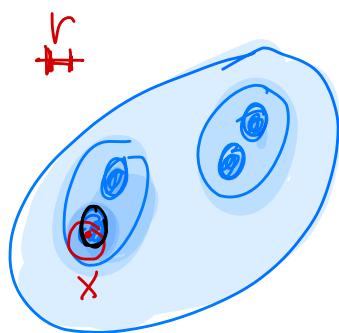
Ex: prove that  $\mu_m$  converge (in the sense of measures on  $C$ ) to a prob. measure  $\mu$  with  $(\star)$

(use that  $1_{C_i}$  is continuous because  $C_i$  is open and closed in  $C$ ).

Upper bound on  $\oplus_d^*(\mu, x)$ .

Fix  $x \in C$ .

$\exists \underline{i} \in I^\mathbb{N}$  st.  $\forall m$   $x \in C_{\underline{i}_m}$  with  
 $\underline{i}_m = \text{truncation of } \underline{i}$   
 $= (\underline{i}_1, \dots, \underline{i}_m)$



Fix  $0 < \delta \leq \text{diam } \phi_i(\bar{V})$ ,  $\forall i$   
 $\& \delta \leq \text{dist}(\phi_i(\bar{V}), \phi_j(\bar{V}))$   
 $\forall i \neq j$

Fix  $r > 0$  choose  $m$  s.t.

$$\delta \lambda_{\underline{i}_{m+1}} < r \leq \delta \lambda_{\underline{i}_m} \quad \overline{B(x, r)} \cap C \subset C_{\underline{i}_m}$$

$$S. \lambda_{i_1}, \dots, \lambda_{i_{m+1}}$$

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$$\mu(\overline{B(x,r)}) \leq \mu(C_{i_m}) = (\lambda_{i_m})^d$$

$$r \geq \delta \lambda_{i_{m+1}} = \delta \lambda_{i_m} \cdot \lambda_{i_{m+1}}$$

$$\frac{\mu(\overline{B(x,r)})}{r^d} \leq \frac{(\lambda_{i_m})^d}{(\delta \cancel{\lambda_{i_m} \cdot \lambda_{i_{m+1}}})^d} \leq \frac{1}{(\delta \lambda_{\min})^d}$$

$$\Rightarrow \textcircled{H}_d^*(\mu, x) \leq \frac{1}{(\delta \lambda_{\min})^d}$$

□

Corollary upper and lower bound

on  $\textcircled{H}_d^*(\mu, x)$ ,  $\textcircled{H}_{*d}(\mu, x)$

$\textcircled{H}_d^*(\zeta, x)$ ,  $\textcircled{H}_{*d}(\zeta, x)$

## Haar measures

$G$  topological group

$\forall y \in G$  let  $\tau_y^l : x \mapsto yx$

$\tau_y^r : x \mapsto xy$

a meas.  $\mu$  on  $G$  is left/right invariant if

$$\mu(E) = \mu(\tau_y^{l/r}(E)) \quad \forall E \quad \forall y \in G$$

### Examples

- Lebesgue measure on  $\mathbb{R}^n$
- $\mathcal{H}^1$  on  $S^1 \subset \mathbb{C}^*$
- $\mathcal{H}^3$  on  $S^3 \subset \mathbb{H}^*$

### Main theorem

If  $G$  is compact then it admits a (unique!) invariant prob. measure  $\mu$

(If  $G$  is locally compact + ... then  
there exists a  $\mu$ -invariant measure  
which is locally finite & unique  
up to a constant factor)