

Set Theory

集合论

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Previously on Set Theory

Cardinal

- An ordinal α is a cardinal if $\alpha = \text{card } \alpha = \min \{ \beta \mid \beta \sim \alpha \}$
- Successor cardinal, limit cardinal
- enumeration of infinite cardinals: \aleph_α

Previously on Set Theory

Cardinal arithmetic

- $\kappa + \lambda, \kappa \cdot \lambda, \kappa^\lambda$
- Canonical well ordering of $\text{OR} \times \text{OR}$ $\psi_\alpha \cdot \psi_\alpha = \psi_\alpha$
- $\kappa + \lambda = \kappa \cdot \lambda = \max\{\kappa, \lambda\}$

Cardinal arithmetic

Facts of cardinal exponentiation

- $\kappa^{\lambda+\mu} = \kappa^\lambda \cdot \kappa^\mu$

- $(\kappa^\lambda)^\mu = \kappa^{\lambda \cdot \mu}$

$$2^\lambda \leq \kappa^\lambda \leq (2^\kappa)^\lambda \leq (2^\lambda)^\lambda = 2^{\lambda \cdot \lambda} = 2^\lambda$$

- Assume $\kappa \leq \lambda$ are infinite cardinal, then $\kappa^\lambda = 2^\lambda$

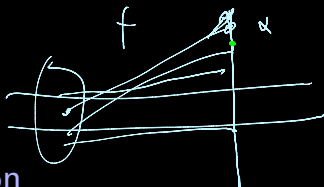
- $2^\lambda > \lambda$

Cardinal arithmetic

By forcing arguments, we can hardly infer anything about 2^λ for regular λ within ZFC. However, there are something we can say about κ^λ if λ is irregular, or $\kappa \geq \lambda$.

This is where we need the concept of **cofinality**

Cofinality



Definition

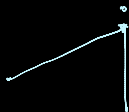
- Given $\alpha \in \text{OR}$, we say function $f: A \rightarrow \alpha$ is **cofinal in α** if for all $\beta < \alpha$ there exists $a \in A$ such that $f(a) \geq \beta$.
- The **cofinality** of α (written **cf α**) is the defined as

$$\text{cf } \alpha = \min \{ \beta \in \text{OR} \mid \text{there is a cofinal } f: \beta \rightarrow \alpha \}$$

Cofinality

Fact $cf \alpha \leq \alpha$

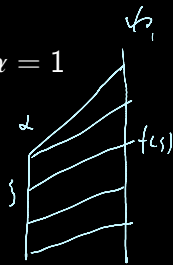
Example



■ If $\alpha = \beta + 1$ is a successor ordinal, then $cf \alpha = 1$

■ $cf \omega = cf(\omega + \omega) = cf \aleph_\omega = \aleph_{\aleph_\omega} = \omega$

■ $cf \aleph_1 = \aleph_1$



Assume $\alpha < \aleph_1$, and $cf(\aleph_1) = \aleph_1$. Let f witness that

For each $\beta < \aleph_1$, $f(\beta) < \aleph_1$, and $\aleph_1 \leq \text{card}(\bigcup_{\beta < \aleph_1} f(\beta)) \leq \text{card}(\aleph_1) \cdot \aleph_0 < \aleph_1$

Cofinality

Assume α is limit, and f_α witness $\text{cf } \alpha = \beta$

Let $X = \text{ran } f_\alpha \subseteq \alpha$

Let f be the enumeration of X (by Mostowski's collapse)

Fact

If $\text{cf } \alpha = \beta$, then it is witnessed by an **strictly increasing** function $f: \beta \rightarrow \alpha$.

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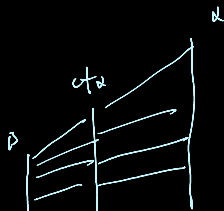
regular: $\aleph_1, \aleph_2, \dots$

singular: $\aleph_\omega, \aleph_{\omega+\omega}, \dots$

Cofinality

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Every successor cardinal is regular

Cofinality

Definition

- $\lambda^{<\kappa} = \sup_{\mu < \kappa} \lambda^\mu$

Fact

$2^{<\kappa} = \text{card}(\bigcup_{i \in I} P(\alpha_i))$ where $\langle \alpha_i : i \in I \rangle$ is cofinal in κ

Cofinality

$$\text{Let } \lambda = \text{card} \left(\bigcup_{\alpha \in I} P(\alpha_i) \right)$$

(1) it is sufficient to show $\sum^* \leq \lambda$ for all $\mu < \kappa$

By cofinal, find $\alpha_j \geq \mu$, then $\sum^* \leq |P(\alpha_j)| \leq |\bigcup_{\alpha \in I} P(\alpha_i)|$

(2) Since $|I| \leq \kappa$, and $|P(\alpha_i)| \leq 2^{\alpha_i}$

$$\sum^{\kappa} \leq 2^{\kappa} \cdot \kappa \geq \left| \bigcup_{i \in I} P(\alpha_i) \right|$$

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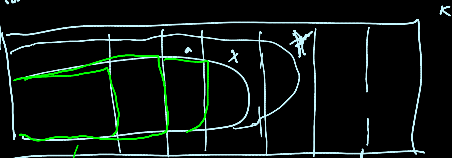
Proof

$$\geq) (2^{\text{cf}K})^{\text{cf}K} \leq (2^K)^{\text{cf}K} = 2^{K \cdot \text{cf}K} = 2^K$$

(\leq) Let $\langle K_i : i < \text{cf}K \rangle$ be a cofinal sequence of K

Then $2^{<K} = \left| \bigcup_{i < \text{cf}K} 2^{K_i} \right|$ $\text{cf}K$ is cofinal to show

We define $F : P(K) \rightarrow \left(\bigcup_{i < \text{cf}K} 2^{K_i} \right)$



$K_i \cap X \in P(K_i)$

Lemma

$$2^K = (2^{<K})^{\text{cf}K}$$

For $X \in K$, let $F(x)$ be the function f_x

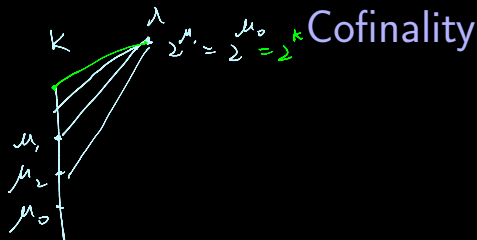
c.t.
 $f_x(i) = X \cap K_i$

We show F is 1-1: For $X \neq Y$, there exist $i \in \mathbb{Z}$ s.t. $X \cap K_i \neq Y \cap K_i$ ($\text{cf}K$ is cofinal)

Thus $f_x^i \neq f_y^i$, so $f^X \neq f^Y$ \square

Cofinality

$$\sup_{\text{cf}K} 2^{<K_i} \leq 2^K$$



Corollary

Let κ be singular infinite cardinal and assume that there are $\mu_0 < \kappa$ and λ such $2^\mu = \lambda$ whenever $\mu_0 \leq \mu < \kappa$. Then $2^\kappa = \lambda$

$$\lambda = 2^{\mu_0} = (2^{\mu_0})^\mu \cong \lambda^\mu \quad (\mu < \kappa)$$

$$\lambda \cong \lambda^{\mu_0}$$

$$(2^{\mu_0})^{\mu_0} \cong \lambda^{\mu_0}$$

Cofinality

Theorem (Hausdorff)

(\geq) Trivial

For infinite cardinal κ, λ ,

(\leq) If $\lambda \geq \kappa^+$. Then $(\kappa^+)^{\lambda} = \sum^{\lambda} \leq \kappa^{\lambda} \cdot \kappa^+$ / $\leq \kappa^{\lambda}$

If $\lambda < \kappa^+$. Since κ^+ is regular, $(\kappa^+)^{\lambda} = \left| \bigcup_{\xi < \kappa^+} \xi^{\lambda} \right| \leq \kappa^{\lambda} \cdot \kappa^+$

Next on Set Theory

- Infinite sum / production
- Singular cardinal hypothesis
- Club and stationary set

Exercise

1. Define $[\kappa]^\lambda = \{X \subset \kappa \mid \text{card } X = \lambda\}$. Show that if κ and λ are cardinals, then $\kappa^\lambda = \text{card}([\kappa]^\lambda)$.
2. Show that the least κ with $\mathfrak{N}_\kappa = \kappa$ is singular of cofinality ω . Show that for every regular cardinal λ there is some κ with $\mathfrak{N}_\kappa = \kappa$ and $\text{cf } \kappa = \lambda$