

Four dimensions

1. Topological dimension n
homeomorphism $C(X; \mathbb{R}^{2n+1})$

2. Hausdorff

Mauré — linear maps

3. Box-counting dimension

Hurst & Kahoshin — Hölder AS
parameterization

4. Assouad dimension

(X, d)

(X, d^α)

bi-Lipschitz embeddings
into \mathbb{R}^N $\alpha \in (0, 1)$

Lebesgue covering dimension

(X, d) Compact

(open) covering of X is a collection

$\{U_j\}_{j=1}^n$ open sets s.t.

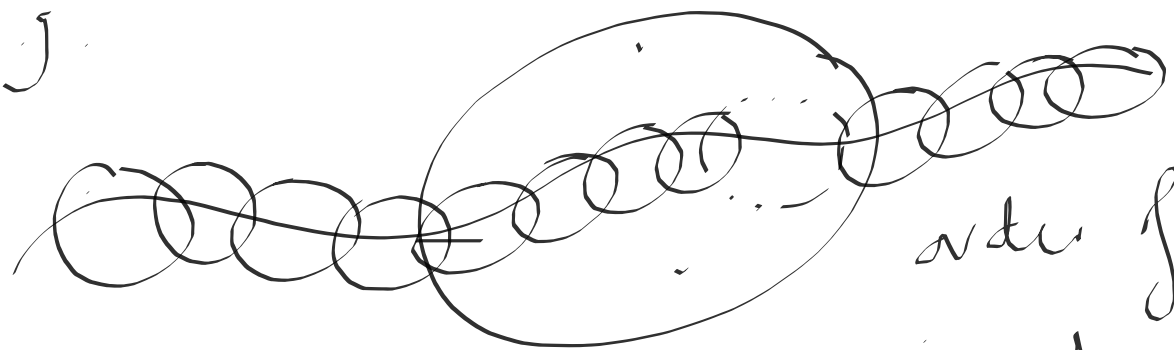
$$X = \bigcup_{j=1}^n U_j$$

A refinement β of a cover α is another

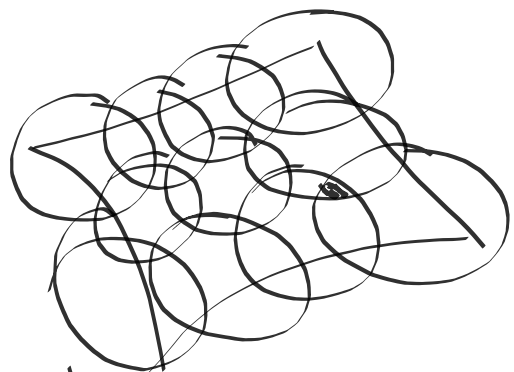
covering st. every element of β
is contained in an element of α

The order of covering is n
if the largest number of elements in the
cover that have non-empty intersection
is $n+1$

e.g.



order of refinement
is 1.



order of covering is 2

Definition

$\dim(X) \leq n$

refinement

\Leftrightarrow

every covering has a
refinement of order n .

$$\dim(X) = \min\{n : \dim(X) \leq n\}$$

This is a topological property

i.e. invariant under homeomorphisms.

- This is integer-valued.

Hurewicz & Wallman (1941)

Munkres (2000)

Theorem

(X, d) compact metric space with

$$\dim(X) = n.$$

Then a residual set of $f \in C(X, \mathbb{R}^{2n+1})$
are homeomorphisms between X and its

image.

$f \rightarrow$ Embedding

$f^{-1} \rightarrow$ parametrisation

We will use the Baire Category Theorem

Given $U \subset X$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{define diam } U &= |U| \\ &= \sup_{\substack{u_1, u_2 \\ \in U}} d(u_1, u_2) \end{aligned}$$

Mesh size of a covering is the largest diameter of elements of the covering
(must be in a metric space)

Lemma

(X, d) compact

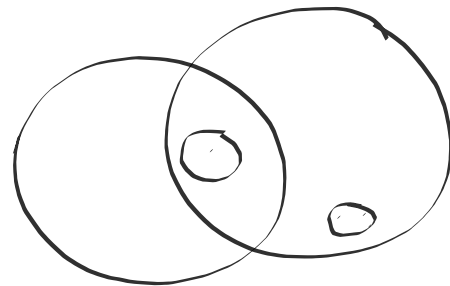
$\dim(X) \leq n \iff \exists$ coverings of
arb. small mesh size of order $\leq \epsilon^n$

Proof "exercise"

\implies cover X using $\epsilon/2$ -balls

\impliedby Show that any covering has a
"Lebesgue number"

i.e. $\eta > 0$ s.t. any subset ^{Δ} of X with
 $|A| < \eta$ is entirely contained in some
 elt^h of the cover \square



We say that $g \in C(X, \mathbb{R}^k)$
 is an ε -mapping if

$$\text{diam}(g^{-1}(y)) < \varepsilon \quad \forall y \in g(X)$$

$$\text{i.e. if } g(x) = g(x') \Rightarrow d(x, x') < \varepsilon$$

S. $f \circ g$ is a $\frac{1}{n}$ -mapping for every n

g is injective

But if $g \in C(X, \mathbb{R}^k)$

is injective then it must be a homeomorphism
it's enough to show that g maps closed sets
to closed sets

$K \subset X \Rightarrow K$ compact
closed

$\Rightarrow g(K)$ compact -
 $\Rightarrow g(K)$ closed.

Define

$$F_\varepsilon^k = \left\{ \text{set of all } \varepsilon\text{-mappings} \right. \\ \left. \text{in } C(X, \mathbb{R}^k) \right\}$$

We will show that $F_{1/m}^{2nd}$ is open

& dense for every m .

$$\left[\text{We use sup metric on } C(X, \mathbb{R}^k) \right. \\ \left. d(f, g) = \|f - g\|_\infty = \sup_x |f(x) - g(x)| \right]$$

Lemma

\mathcal{F}_ε is open $\forall \varepsilon > 0$

proof Take $g \in \mathcal{F}_\varepsilon$

$X \times X$ is compact

$Z = \{(x, x') \in X \times X : d(x, x') \geq \varepsilon\}$ is compact

$h : Z \rightarrow \mathbb{R} \quad h(x, x') = |g(x) - g(x')|$

$h > 0$ on $Z \implies h(x, x') \geq \delta > 0$

$f, g \in C(X; \mathbb{R}^k)$

$$\|f - g\|_\infty < \delta/2$$

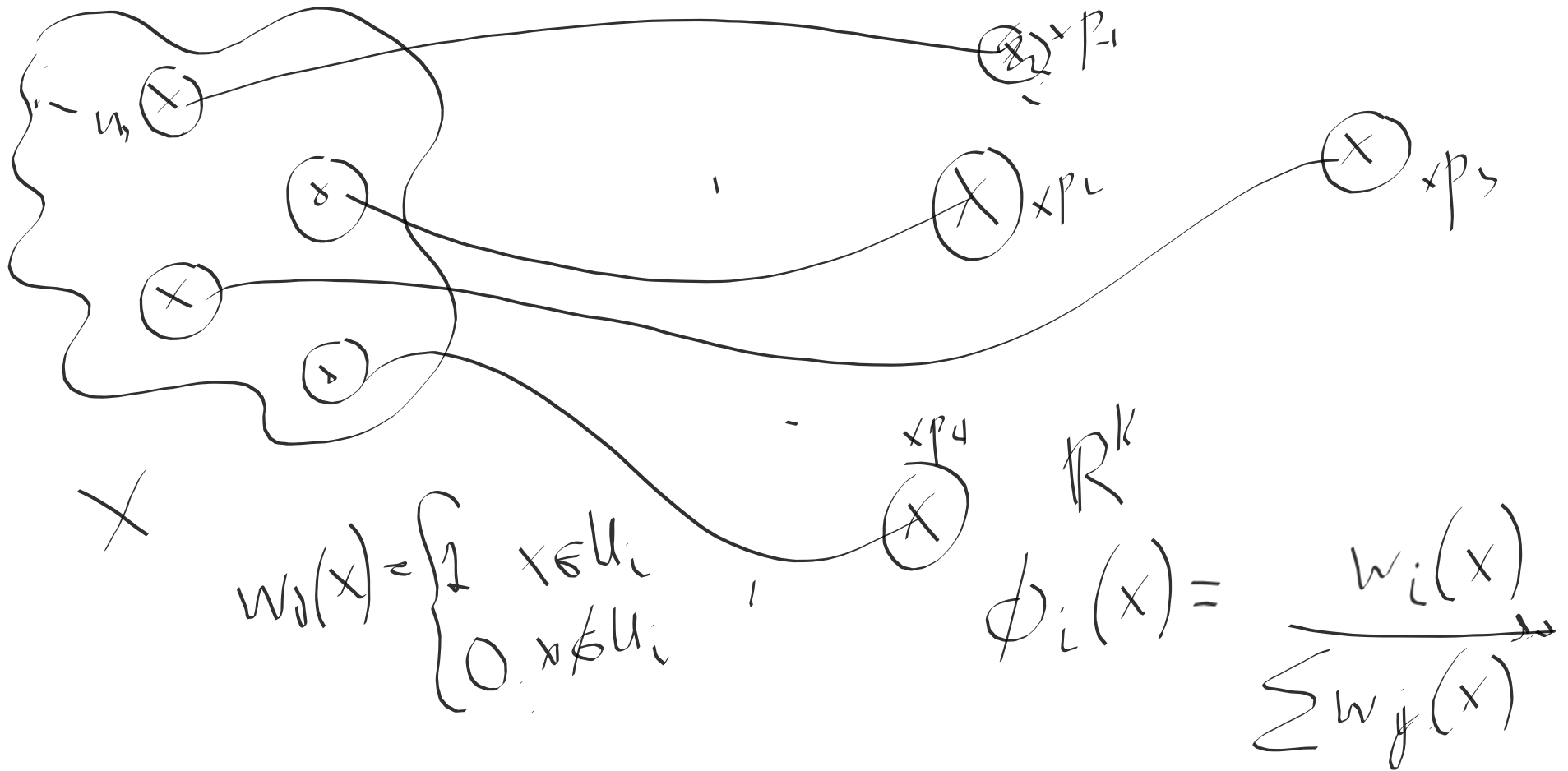
$f(x) = f(x')$

then $|g(x) - g(x')| < \delta$

$$\implies d(x, x') < \varepsilon$$

$\implies f$ is an ε -mapping \square

To show density we need more ideas



try

$$g(x) = \sum_{i=1}^r \phi_i(x) p_i \quad \left[\|g - f\|_{\infty} < \text{small} \right]$$

we want

$$g(x) = g(x') \quad x \approx x'$$

$$\sum_{i=1}^r \phi_i(x) p_i = \sum_{i=1}^r \phi_i(x') p_i$$

$$\sum_{i=1}^r \underbrace{[\phi_i(x) - \phi_i(x')]}_{c_i} p_i = 0 \quad \sum c_i = 0$$

Def

A set of points $\{x_0, \dots, x_n\}$ in \mathbb{R}^k is

geometrically independent if

$$\sum_{i=0}^n \alpha_i x_i = 0 \quad \wedge \quad \sum \alpha_i = 0$$

$$\implies \alpha_i = 0 \quad \forall i = 0, 1, \dots, n$$

$$\text{if } \sum_{i=1}^n \alpha_i (x_i - x_0) = 0 \implies \alpha_i = 0 \quad \forall i = 1, \dots, n$$

vectors $(x_i - x_0)_{i=1}^n$ are l.i.

Any set of points generates a hyperplane P

$$x = \sum_{i=0}^2 t_i x_i \quad \text{where} \quad \sum_{i=0}^2 t_i = 1$$

$$\Leftrightarrow x = x_0 + \sum_{i=1}^2 a_i (x_i - x_0)$$

• If $K < k$ then P has empty interior
• If $y \notin P$ then (x_0, \dots, x_n, y) is geometrically indep.

Proof

By induction. Take $y_1 = x_1$.

Suppose (y_1, \dots, y_m) in $\mathcal{J}P$.

Consider all hyperplanes determined by
 $\leq k$ ~~the~~ elements

This union has empty interior / measure zero
 $\exists y_{m+1} \in B(x_{m+1}, \delta)$ not in any of these
planes
∴

these are ~~geometrical~~ in general pos:

take $k+1$

- if one of them is y_{m+1} then geom indep since $y_{m+1} \in P(m)$
- if not then geom. indep. by induction. \square

Lemma in \mathbb{R}^k

(x_1, \dots, x_n)

$\delta > 0$

$\exists (y_1, \dots, y_n)$ in gen. pos.

$$|x_j - y_j| < \delta$$

A set of points in \mathbb{R}^k is in general position if any collection of $\leq k+1$ points is geometrically independent

Lemma

Given $(x_1, \dots, x_n) \in \mathbb{R}^k$ & $\delta > 0$ then
 $\exists (y_1, \dots, y_n) \in \mathbb{R}^k$ in general position
& $|y_j - x_j| < \delta$

Prop

If (X, d) compact $\dim(X) \leq n$

$\mathcal{F}_\varepsilon^{2n+1}$ is dense in $C(X, \mathbb{R}^{2n+1})$

Proof take $f \in C(X, \mathbb{R}^{2n+1})$ & $\eta > 0$

X compact $\Rightarrow f$ uniformly cts

$\exists \delta < \varepsilon$ s.t. $d(x, x') < \delta \Rightarrow |f(x) - f(x')| < \eta/2$

\exists covering of X $(U_j)_{j=1}^n$ s.t. $|U_j| < \delta$
& order $\leq n$ $\forall j$

[any point in X is in at least one U_j
& at most $n+1$ U_j 's]

$$\text{diam}(f(U_0)) < \epsilon/2$$

Find points (P_j) in general position in \mathbb{R}^{2n+1}
s.t. $\text{dist}(P_0, f(U_j)) < \epsilon/2$

Define

$$w_i(x) = \text{dist}(x, X \setminus U_i)$$

$$w_i(x) > 0 \iff x \in U_i$$

$$w_i(x) = 0 \iff x \notin U_i$$

$$\phi_i(x) = \frac{w_i(x)}{\sum w_i(x)}$$

$$\sum \phi_i(x) = 1 \quad \forall x \in X$$

$$\text{Set } g(x) = \sum_{i=1}^r \phi_i(x) p_i$$

$$\text{NB } g \in C(X, \mathbb{R}^{2n+1})$$

$$|f(x) - g(x)| = \left| \sum_{i=1}^r \phi_i(x) (p_i - f(x)) \right|$$

$$\left(\sum_{i=1}^r \phi_i(x) \right) \eta = \underbrace{\sum_{i=1}^r \phi_i(x) |p_i - f(x)|}_{< \eta \text{ if } x \in U_i}$$

i.e. $\|f-g\|_\infty < \epsilon$

Now show that g is an ϵ -mapping

- if $g(x) = g(x')$

$$\sum_{i=1}^r \phi_i(x) p_i = \sum_{i=1}^r \phi_i(x') p_i$$

$$\sum_{i=1}^r [\phi_i(x) - \phi_i(x')] p_i = 0$$

$$\sum_{i=1}^r p_i = 0$$

if r

at most $(n+1)$ values of i make

$$\phi_i(x) \neq 0$$

similarly for $\phi_i(x')$

So at most $2n+2$ values of $c_i \neq 0$.

$$\sum c_i p_i = 0 + \sum c_i = 0$$

$\Rightarrow c_i = 0 \forall i$ as (p_i) is gen pos

$$g(x) = g(x') \Rightarrow \phi_i(x) = \phi_i(x')$$

$\in \mathbb{R}^{2n+1}$

So if $g(x) = g(x')$

$$x \in U_i \Rightarrow x' \in U_i$$

but $|U_i| < \delta < \varepsilon$

$$\Rightarrow d(x, x') < \varepsilon$$

$\Rightarrow g$ is an ε -mapping. \square

$\bigcap_{\varepsilon} F_{\varepsilon}^{2n+1}$

is open & dense in $C(X, \mathbb{R}^{2n+1})$

So

$$\bigcap_{n \geq 1} F_{1/n}^{2n+1}$$

is (dense)
residual

$\in C(X, \mathbb{R}^{2n+1})$

by Baire Category Theorem

homeomorphisms of
subsets of \mathbb{R}^{2n+1} onto
 (X, d)