

# Lineability: The search for linearity in Mathematics

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## Lineability...? Motivation!

In 1872, **Weierstrass** constructed a continuous nowhere differentiable function on  $\mathbb{R}$ .

A function such as

$$f(x) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{\cos(3^n x)}{2^n}$$

enjoys this property.

In the literature, this example is known as

**Weierstrass' monster,**

although earlier (1822) **Bolzano** found a function of this type!!!!

## How many examples are like Weierstrass'?

MANY functions enjoying this “pathological” property have been constructed since the 1800's. Moreover:

- **1966**: Gurariy showed that there exists an infinite dimensional linear space every nonzero function of which is continuous and nowhere differentiable on  $\mathbb{R}$ .
- **1999**: Fonf, Gurariy, and Kadeč proved that the above space can be chosen to be **closed** in  $\mathcal{C}[0, 1]$ .
- Analogously, Rodríguez-Piazza (**1995**), Hencl (**2000**), Bayart and Quarta (**2007**), among others, have improved these spaces by adding *extra pathologies* to Weierstrass' monster.

## Definitions

Gurariy's results from 1966 and 1999 lead to the introduction of the following concept:

### Definition (Gurariy)

- A subset  $M$  of functions on  $\mathbb{R}$  is said to be **spaceable** if  $M \cup \{0\}$  contains a *closed* infinite dimensional subspace.
- The set  $M$  will be called **lineable** if  $M \cup \{0\}$  contains an infinite dimensional vector space.
- $M$  is called  **$\kappa$ -lineable** if it contains a vector space of dimension  $\kappa$ .

Thus,

Theorem (Gurariy, 1966)

*The set of continuous nowhere differentiable functions in  $\mathbb{R}$  is LINEABLE.*

Theorem (Fonf, Gurariy, Kadeč, 1999)

*The set of continuous nowhere differentiable functions on  $\mathcal{C}[0, 1]$  is spaceable.*

And, also, in 1966 V. I. Gurariy showed something really surprising:

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**SUBSPACES AND BASES IN SPACES OF CONTINUOUS FUNCTIONS**

V. I. GURARIĬ

**Theorem 10.** *If all elements of a subspace  $E$  of  $C$  are differentiable on  $[0, 1]$ , then  $E$  is finite-dimensional.\**

The term lineability was coined by **Vladimir I. Gurariy** and first introduced by Aron, Gurariy, S. in

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Around that time and since then, many authors have shown their interest in this topic...



## Other examples...

Theorem (Aron, Gurariy, Seoane, 2004)

*The set of differentiable nowhere monotone functions on  $\mathbb{R}$  is  $\aleph_0$ -lineable.*

Theorem (Gámez, Muñoz, Sánchez, Seoane, 2010)

*The set of differentiable nowhere monotone functions on  $\mathbb{R}$  is  $\mathfrak{c}$ -lineable.*

## Set of zeroes of polynomials in Banach spaces

- Aron, Rueda (1997).
- Plichko, Zagorodnyuk (1998).
- Aron, Gonzalo, Zagorodnyuk (2000).
- Aron, García, Maestre (2001).
- Aron, Boyd, Ryan, Zalduendo (2003).
- Aron, Hajék (2006).

## Chaos and hypercyclicity

- Godefroy, Shapiro (1991).
- Montes (1996).
- Aron, García, Maestre (2001).
- Aron, Bès, León, Peris (2005).
- Seoane (2007).
- Aron, Conejero, Peris, Seoane (2007).
- Bernal (2009).
- Shkarin (2010).
- Bertoloto, Botelho, Fávoro, Jatobá (2012).

## Continuous nowhere differentiable functions in $\mathcal{C}[0, 1]$

- Rodríguez-Piazza (1995).
- Fonf, Gurariy, Kadeč (1999).
- Aron, García, Maestre (2001).
- Bayart, Quarta (2007).
- Bernal (2008).
- Aron, García, Pérez, Seoane (2009).

## Norm-attaining functionals

- Aron, García, Maestre (2001).
- Acosta, Aizpuru, Aron, García (2007).
- Pellegrino, Teixeira (2009).

Subsets of  $\mathbb{R}^{\mathbb{R}}$ 

- Aron, Gurariy, Seoane (2004).
- Enflo, Gurariy (2004).
- Gurariy, Quarta (2004).
- Bayart, Quarta (2007).
- Aron, Seoane (2007).
- Aron, Gorkin (2007).
- García, Palmberg, Seoane (2007).
- Aizpuru, Pérez, García, Seoane (2008).
- Azagra, Muñoz, Sánchez, Seoane (2009).
- Aron, García, Pérez, Seoane (2009).
- Gámez, Muñoz, Seoane (2010, 2011).
- Bartoszewicz, Głab, Pellegrino, Seoane-Sepúlveda (2012).
- Jimenez-Rodríguez, Muñoz, Seoane (2012).
- Conejero, Jimenez-Rodríguez, Muñoz, Seoane (2012).
- Enflo, Gurariy, Seoane (2014).

$\ell_p$  and  $L_p$  spaces

- Aizpuru, Pérez, Seoane (2005).
- Aron, Pérez, Seoane (2006).
- Muñoz, Palmberg, Puglisi, Seoane (2008).
- Botelho, Diniz, Fávoro, Pellegrino (2011).
- Bernal, Ordóñez-Cabrera (2012).
- Botelho, Fávoro, Pellegrino, Seoane (2012).
- Botelho, Cariello, Fávoro, Pellegrino, Seoane (2012).
- Akbarbaglu, Maghsoudi (2012).
- Jimenez-Rodríguez, Maghsoudi, Muñoz (2013).
- Cariello, Seoane (2013).

## Theory of homogeneous polynomials

- Botelho, Matos, Pellegrino (2009).

## Complex analysis and holomorphy

- Bernal (2008).
- López (2010).
- Bastin, Conejero, Esser, Seoane (2013).



## Measurable and non-measurable functions

- García, Seoane (2006).
- Muñoz, Palmberg, Puglisi, Seoane (2008).

## Non-absolutely summing operators

- Puglisi, Seoane (2008).
- Botelho, Diniz, Pellegrino (2009).
- Kitson, Timoney (2010).

## Integrability and Measurability

Theorem (García, Martín, Seoane, 2009)

*On any interval  $I$ , the set of Lebesgue integrable functions that are not Riemann integrable is **spaceable**.*

Theorem (García, Martín, Seoane, 2009)

*Given any unbounded interval  $I$ , the set of Riemann integrable functions on  $I$  that are not Lebesgue integrable is **lineable**.*

Theorem (Bernal, Ordóñez-Cabrera, 2013)

*Given any unbounded interval  $I$ , the set of Riemann integrable functions on  $I$  that are not Lebesgue integrable is **spaceable**.*

Let  $\mathbb{K} = \mathbb{R}$  or  $\mathbb{C}$ , and denote by  $N(\Omega, \mathbb{K})$  the set of non-measurable functions from  $\Omega$  to  $\mathbb{K}$ , provided a measurable space  $(\Omega, \Sigma)$ .

### Theorem (García, Seoane, 2006)

*For any cardinal  $\gamma$  there is a Hausdorff topological space  $\Omega$  with Borel  $\sigma$ -algebra  $\mathcal{B}$  such that  $N(\Omega, \mathbb{K}) \cup \{0\}$  contains a subspace isometric to  $\ell_\infty(\gamma)$ , i.e.  $N(\Omega, \mathbb{K})$  is spaceable.*

*In particular, any Banach space with density character  $\gamma$  is isometric to a space consisting (but zero) of non-measurable functions.*

## The Denjoy-Clarkson property

It is well known that derivatives of functions of one real variable satisfy the Denjoy-Clarkson property:

*If  $u : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  is everywhere differentiable, then the counterimage through  $u'$  of any open subset of  $\mathbb{R}$  is either empty or has positive Lebesgue measure.*

Extending this result to several real variables is known as the “Weil Gradient Problem” and, after being an open problem for almost 40 years, was eventually solved in the negative for  $\mathbb{R}^2$  by Buczolich in 2002.

**Theorem (García, Greco, Maestre, Seoane, 2010)**

*For every  $n \geq 2$  there exists an infinite dimensional Banach space of differentiable functions on  $\mathbb{R}^n$  which (except for 0) fail the Denjoy-Clarkson property.*

## Sierpiński-Zygmund functions

### Theorem (Blumberg, 1922)

*Let  $f : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  be an arbitrary function. There exists a dense subset  $S \subset \mathbb{R}$  such that the function  $f|_S$  is continuous.*

A careful reading of the proof of this result shows that the above set  $S$  is countable. Naturally, we could wonder whether we can choose the subset  $S$  in Blumberg's theorem to be **uncountable**. A (partial) negative answer to this was given by Sierpiński and Zygmund:

### Theorem (Sierpiński, Zygmund, 1923)

*There exists a function  $f : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  such that, for any set  $Z \subset \mathbb{R}$  of cardinality the continuum, the restriction  $f|_Z$  is not a Borel map.*

$$\mathcal{SZ}(\mathbb{R}) = \{ f: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R} : f \text{ is a Sierpiński-Zygmund function} \}$$

Theorem (Gámez, Muñoz, Sánchez, Seoane, 2010)

$\mathcal{SZ}(\mathbb{R})$  is  $\kappa$ -lineable for some cardinal  $\kappa$  with  $\mathfrak{c} < \kappa \leq 2^{\mathfrak{c}}$ . Assuming the Generalized Continuum Hypothesis,  $\mathcal{SZ}(\mathbb{R})$  is  $2^{\mathfrak{c}}$ -lineable.

## Question

Can the  $2^c$ -lineability of  $\mathcal{SZ}(\mathbb{R})$  be obtained in ZFC?

Theorem (Gámez, Seoane, 2013)

*The  $2^c$ -lineability of  $\mathcal{SZ}(\mathbb{R})$  is undecidable.*

# 1-lineable and not 2-lineable sets, I

## Example 1: Gurariy and Quarta (2005)

Let  $\widehat{C}[0, 1]$  be the subset of  $C[0, 1]$  of functions admitting one (and only one) absolute maximum. If  $V \subset \widehat{C}[0, 1] \cup \{0\}$  is a non-trivial linear space, then  $V$  is 1-dimensional.

Recently, Botelho, Cariello, Fávoro, Pellegrino, and Seoane have obtained generalizations of the above result in a more general framework and for *bigger* dimensions.



## 1-lineable and not 2-lineable sets, II

### Example 2: Albuquerque (2013)

Let us suppose that there exists a 2-dimensional vector space of injective functions,  $V$ , generated by  $f$  and  $g$ . Take  $x \neq y$  and

$$\alpha = \frac{f(x) - f(y)}{g(y) - g(x)} \in \mathbb{R}.$$

Consider the function  $h = f + \alpha g \in V \setminus \{0\}$ .

By construction we have  $h(x) = h(y)$ .

EXAMPLE: non-lineable,  $n$ -lineable set ( $\forall n \in \mathbb{N}$ )

Let  $j_1 \leq k_1 < j_2 \leq \dots \leq k_m < j_{m+1} \leq \dots$  integers. The set

$$M = \bigcup_m \left\{ \sum_{i=j_m}^{k_m} a_i x^i : a_i \in \mathbb{R} \right\}$$

is  $n$ -lineable for every  $n \in \mathbb{N}$  and it is not lineable in  $\mathcal{C}[0, 1]$ .

**EXAMPLE: Totally non-linear sets**

There are totally non-linear sets (but they might contain a positive cone).

**EXAMPLE**

Let  $X$  be an infinite dimensional Banach space. There exists a subset  $M \subset X$  such that  $M$  is **spaceable and dense**, although it is **not dense-lineable**.

**EXAMPLE**

Every infinite dimensional Banach space  $X$  contains a subset  $M$  which is **lineable and dense**, but which is **not spaceable**. If  $X$  is separable, then  $M$  can also be chosen to be dense-lineable.

## Lineability, Spaceability, ... What about other structures?

We have, so far, studied the existence of linear subspaces inside sets of functions enjoying some “*exotic*” property.

But, can we also construct algebras inside those sets of functions?

Aron, Pérez, and S. introduced the concept of **Algebrability** (originally coined by V. I. Gurariy) in

*Studia Math.* 175 (2006), 83–90,

and

*Bull. Belg. Math. Soc. Simon Stevin* 14 (2007), 25–31.

### Definition (Gurariy + Aron, Pérez, and Seoane, 2006)

- We say that a subset of functions  $M$  is  **$(\mu, s)$ -algebrable** if  $M \cup \{0\}$  contains an algebra  $\mathcal{A}$  such that  $\dim(\mathcal{A}) = \mu$  (as a vector space) and  $\text{card}(S) = s$ , where  $\mu$  and  $s$  are two cardinal numbers and  $S$  is a minimal system of generators of  $\mathcal{A}$ .
- For short,  $M$  is said to be **algebrable** if  $M \cup \{0\}$  contains an infinitely generated algebra.

**ALGEBRABLE  $\Rightarrow$  LINEABLE**

### Theorem (Aron, Pérez, Seoane, 2006)

Let  $E \subset \mathbb{T}$  be a set of measure zero. Let  $\mathcal{F}_E \subset \mathcal{C}(\mathbb{T})$  be the set of continuous functions whose Fourier series expansion diverges at every point  $t \in E$ . Then  $\mathcal{F}_E$  is (dense-)algebrable.

### Theorem (Aron, Conejero, Peris, Seoane, 2010)

There exists an **uncountably generated** algebra every non-zero element of which is an everywhere surjective function on  $\mathbb{C}$ , that is, a function  $f : \mathbb{C} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$  such that, for every non void open set  $U \subset \mathbb{C}$ ,  $f(U) = \mathbb{C}$ .

Theorem (Gómez, Muñoz, Sánchez, Seoane, 2010)

$\mathcal{SZ}(\mathbb{R})$  is  $(c, c)$ -algebrable.

Theorem (Rosenthal, 1968)

$\ell_\infty \setminus c_0$  is spaceable.

Theorem (García, Martín, Seoane, 2009)

$\ell_\infty \setminus c_0$  is algebrable.

Theorem (García, Martín, Seoane, 2009)

$\ell_\infty(\Gamma) \setminus c_0(\Gamma)$  is spaceable and algebrable for every infinite set  $\Gamma$ .

# How “strange” can a function be?

## A function from $ES(\mathbb{R})$ (I)

- ▶ Let  $(I_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$  be the collection of all open intervals with rational endpoints.
- ▶  $I_1$  contains a Cantor type set, call it  $C_1$ .
- ▶  $I_2 \setminus C_1$  also contains a Cantor type set, call it  $C_2$ .
- ▶  $I_3 \setminus (C_1 \cup C_2)$  contains, as well, a Cantor type set,  $C_3$ .
- ▶ Inductively... there exists a family of pairwise disjoint Cantor type sets,  $(C_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ , such that for every  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ ,

$$I_n \setminus \left( \bigcup_{k=1}^{n-1} C_k \right) \supset C_n.$$



## A function from $ES(\mathbb{R})$ (II)

- ▶ Next, take (for every  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ )  $\phi_n$  any bijection

$$\phi_n : C_n \leftrightarrow \mathbb{R}.$$

- ▶ Define  $f \in \mathbb{R}^{\mathbb{R}}$  as  $f(x) = \begin{cases} \phi_n(x) & \text{if } x \in C_n, \\ 0 & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$
- ▶  $f$  is clearly everywhere surjective (and also zero almost everywhere!).
- ▶ Indeed, let  $I$  be any interval in  $\mathbb{R}$ . There exists  $k \in \mathbb{N}$  such that  $I_k \subset I$ , thus

$$f(I) \supset f(I_k) \supset f(C_k) = \phi_k(C_k) = \mathbb{R}.$$



## An even more “*pathological*” function

- ✓ **F. B. Jones** (1942) proved the existence of a function such that its graph intersects every closed subset of  $\mathbb{R}^2$  with uncountable projection on the  $x$ -axis.
- ✓ A Jones function has dense graph in  $\mathbb{R}^2$ .
- ✓ If  $f$  is a Jones function, then  $f(I) = \mathbb{R}$  for every interval  $I$ ,
- ✓ also,  $f$  attains every real value “ $\mathfrak{c}$  times”, and
- ✓ moreover,  $f(P) = \mathbb{R}$  for every perfect set  $P \subset \mathbb{R}$ .
- ✓ Jones functions are **not** measurable.

## An even more “*pathological*” function

- ✓ **J. L. Gámez** (2011) proved that the set of *Jones functions* is actually  $2^c$ -lineable.
- ✓ **Ciesielski, Gámez, Pellegrino, Seoane** (2014) proved that the set of *Jones functions* is actually  $2^c$ -spaceable with respect to the topology of pointwise convergence.
- ✓ **Algebrability?**

## Annuling functions in $\mathcal{C}[0, 1]$

### Definition

*A function  $f \in \mathcal{C}[0, 1]$  is said to be an annuling function if  $f$  has infinitely many zeros in  $[0, 1]$ .*

It is easy to construct a  $\mathfrak{c}$ -generated algebra of annuling functions in  $\mathcal{C}[0, 1]$ . But...

Is the set of annuling functions spaceable in  $\mathcal{C}[0, 1]$ ?

# Annuling functions and spaceability

Answer:

Theorem (Enflo, Gurariy, Seoane, 2012)

Let  $X$  be any infinite dimensional closed subspace of  $C[0, 1]$ .

There exists:

- An infinite dimensional closed subspace  $Y$  of  $X$ , and
- a sequence  $\{t_k\}_{k \in \mathbb{N}} \subset [0, 1]$  (of pairwise different elements),  
such that  $y(t_k) = 0$  for every  $k \in \mathbb{N}$  and every  $y \in Y$ .

Related to the study of the amount of zeros of functions on a given interval, let us recall a question posed by Aron and Gurariy in 2003:

**Is there an infinite dimensional subspace of  $l_\infty$   
every non-zero element of which  
has a finite number of zero coordinates?**

### Theorem (Cariello, Seoane, 2013)

Let  $X$  be  $c_0$  or  $\ell_p$  for  $p \in [1, \infty]$ . And denote by  $Z(X)$  the subset of  $X$  formed by sequences having only a finite number of zero coordinates.

- $Z(X)$  does not contain infinite dimensional closed subspaces.
- $Z(X)$  is maximal algebraable and maximal lineable.

$Z(c_0)$  and  $Z(\ell_p)$  are max. algebrable for  $p \in [1, +\infty]$

For every real number  $p \in ]0, 1[$  denote

$$x_p = (p^1, p^2, p^3, \dots),$$

and let  $V = \text{span}\{x_p : p \in ]0, 1[ \}$ . Notice that  $V \subset X$ , for  $X = c_0$  or  $\ell_p$ ,  $p \in [1, +\infty]$ .

Next, take any  $x \in V \setminus \{0\}$ . We shall show that  $x \in Z(X)$ . We can write  $x$  as

$$x = \sum_{j=1}^N \lambda_j x_{p_j},$$

with  $N \in \mathbb{N}$ ,  $p_j \in ]0, 1[$  for every  $j \in \{1, 2, \dots, N\}$ ,  $p_N > p_{N-1} > \dots > p_1$ , and  $(\lambda_j)_{j=1}^N \subset \mathbb{C}$ .



Let us suppose that there exists an increasing sequence of positive integers  $(m_k)_{k \in \mathbb{N}}$  such that  $x(m_k) = 0$  for every  $k \in \mathbb{N}$ . Then, we have

$$0 = \sum_{j=1}^N \lambda_j p_j^{m_k}$$

for every  $k \in \mathbb{N}$ . Dividing the last identity by  $p_N^{m_k}$ , we obtain (for every  $k \in \mathbb{N}$ ),

$$0 = \sum_{j=1}^{N-1} \lambda_j \left( \frac{p_j}{p_N} \right)^{m_k} + \lambda_N.$$

Now, since  $0 < \frac{p_j}{p_N} < 1$  for every  $j \in \{1, 2, \dots, N-1\}$  and  $\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} m_k = \infty$ , we have  $\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \left( \frac{p_j}{p_N} \right)^{m_k} = 0$ . Thus,  $\lambda_N = 0$ . By induction, we can easily obtain  $\lambda_j = 0$  for every  $j \in \{1, 2, \dots, N\}$ . This is a contradiction, since  $x \neq 0$ .

This argument also shows that the set

$$\{x_p : p \in ]0, 1]\}$$

is linearly independent, thus  $V$  is  $\mathfrak{c}$ -dimensional (where  $\mathfrak{c}$  stands for the continuum) and, thus,  $Z(X)$  is maximal lineable for  $X = c_0$  or  $\ell_p$ ,  $p \in [1, +\infty]$ .

Now let

$$x_p, x_q \in \{x_r, r \in ]0, 1[ \}.$$

Notice that the coordinatewise product of  $x_p$  and  $x_q$  is

$$x_{pq} \in \{x_r, r \in ]0, 1[ \}.$$

Therefore the algebra generated by  $\{x_r, r \in ]0, 1[ \}$  is the subspace generated by  $\{x_r, r \in ]0, 1[ \}$  which is  $V$ .

Consider any countable subset  $W \subset V$ . The subalgebra generated by  $W$  is a vector space generated by finite products of elements of  $W$ , but the set of finite products of elements belonging to a countable set is still countable. Therefore the subalgebra generated by  $W$  has countable dimension and, thus,  $W$  cannot be a set of generators for the algebra  $V$ , since  $\dim(V)$  is uncountable. Therefore any set of generators of  $V$  is uncountable.

## Peano maps

For any topological space  $X$ , let

$$\mathcal{CS}_\infty(\mathbb{R}^m, X) := \{f \in \mathcal{C}(\mathbb{R}^m, X) : f^{-1}(\{a\}) \text{ is unbounded for every } a \in X\}.$$

In 2014 Albuquerque showed the following:

### Theorem (Albuquerque, 2014)

*For every pair  $m, n \in \mathbb{N}$ , the set  $\mathcal{CS}(\mathbb{R}^m, \mathbb{R}^n)$  is maximal lineable in the space  $\mathcal{C}(\mathbb{R}^m, \mathbb{R}^n)$ .*

Also, more recently, Bernal and Ordóñez provided the following natural generalization of Albuquerque's result.

### Theorem (Bernal and Ordóñez, 2014)

*For each pair  $m, n \in \mathbb{N}$ , the set  $\mathcal{CS}_\infty(\mathbb{R}^m, \mathbb{R}^n)$  is maximal dense-lineable and spaceable in  $\mathcal{C}(\mathbb{R}^m, \mathbb{R}^n)$ . In particular, it is maximal lineable in  $\mathcal{C}(\mathbb{R}^m, \mathbb{R}^n)$ .*

A natural question would be to ask about the algebraicity of the set  $\mathcal{CS}_\infty(\mathbb{R}^m, \mathbb{R}^n)$ .

Clearly, **algebraicity** cannot be obtained in the real context, since for any  $f \in \mathbb{R}^{\mathbb{R}}$ ,  $f^2$  is always non-negative.

However, in the complex frame it is actually possible to obtain algebraicity. Before that, let us recall some results related to **the growth** of an entire function.

## Growth of an entire function

$\mathcal{H}(\mathbb{C})$  denotes the space of all entire functions from  $\mathbb{C}$  to  $\mathbb{C}$ . For  $r > 0$  and  $f \in \mathcal{H}(\mathbb{C})$ , we set  $M(f, r) := \max_{|z|=r} |f(z)|$ .  $M(f, \cdot)$  increases strictly towards  $+\infty$  as long as  $f$  is non-constant.

The (growth) *order*  $\rho(f)$  of an entire function  $f \in \mathcal{H}(\mathbb{C})$  is defined as the infimum of all positive real numbers  $\alpha$  with the following property:  $M(f, r) < e^{r^\alpha}$  for all  $r > r(\alpha) > 0$ . Note that  $\rho(f) \in [0, +\infty]$ . The order of a constant map is 0. If  $f$  is non-constant, we have

$$\rho(f) = \limsup_{r \rightarrow +\infty} \frac{\log \log M(f, r)}{\log r}.$$

## Some properties and examples, I

(a) If  $f(z) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n z^n$  is the MacLaurin series expansion of  $f$  then

$$\rho(f) = \limsup_{n \rightarrow +\infty} \frac{n \log n}{\log(1/|a_n|)}.$$

In particular, given  $\alpha > 0$ ,  $f_\alpha(z) := \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{z^n}{n^{n/\alpha}}$  satisfies  $\rho(f_\alpha) = \alpha$ .

(b) For every  $f \in \mathcal{H}(\mathbb{C})$ , every  $N \in \mathbb{N}$  and every  $\alpha \in \mathbb{C} \setminus \{0\}$ ,

$$\rho(\alpha f^N) = \rho(f).$$

## Some properties and examples, II

(c) For every  $f, g \in \mathcal{H}(\mathbb{C})$ ,

$$\rho(f \cdot g) \leq \max\{\rho(f), \rho(g)\}$$

and

$$\rho(f + g) \leq \max\{\rho(f), \rho(g)\}.$$

Moreover, if  $f$  and  $g$  have different orders, then

$$\rho(f + g) = \max\{\rho(f), \rho(g)\} = \rho(f \cdot g),$$

where it is assumed  $f \not\equiv 0 \not\equiv g$  for the second equality.

(d) (*Corollary to Hadamard's theorem*): Every non-constant entire function  $f$  with  $\infty > \rho(f) \notin \mathbb{N}$  is surjective.



## An “interesting” consequence

Given any non-constant polynomial in  $M$  complex variables  $P \in \mathbb{C}[z_1, \dots, z_M]$ , let  $\mathcal{I}_P \subset \{1, \dots, M\}$  be the set of indexes  $k$  such that the variable  $z_k$  explicitly appears in some monomial (with non-zero coefficient) of  $P$ ; that is,

$$\mathcal{I}_P = \left\{ n \in \{1, \dots, M\} : \frac{\partial P}{\partial z_n} \neq 0 \right\}.$$

### Proposition

Let  $f_1, \dots, f_M \in \mathcal{H}(\mathbb{C})$  such that  $\rho(f_i) \neq \rho(f_j)$  whenever  $i \neq j$ . Then

$$\rho(P(f_1, \dots, f_M)) = \max_{k \in \mathcal{I}_P} \rho(f_k),$$

Moreover, the set  $(f_k)_{k=1}^M$  is algebraically independent.

## The result (maximal algebrability)

Theorem (Albuquerque, Bernal, Pellegrino, Seoane, 2014)

*The set  $\mathcal{CS}_\infty(\mathbb{R}^m, \mathbb{C}^n)$  is maximal algebrable in  $\mathcal{C}(\mathbb{R}^m, \mathbb{C}^n)$ .*

## PROOF - 1/2

It suffices to consider the case  $n = m = 1$ . In fact, the case  $m > 1$  follows from the  $m = 1$  by considering the projection map from  $\mathbb{R}^m$  to  $\mathbb{R}$ . The case  $n > 1$  is obtained from  $n = 1$  by working on each coordinate.

For each  $s > 0$ , select an entire function  $\varphi_s : \mathbb{C} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$  of order  $s > 0$ . Let  $A := (0, +\infty) \setminus \mathbb{N}$ . The Proposition assures that the set  $\{\varphi_s\}_{s \in A}$  is a system of cardinality  $\mathfrak{c}$  generating an algebra  $\mathcal{A}$ .

Next, notice that any element  $\varphi \in \mathcal{A} \setminus \{0\}$  may be written as a non-constant polynomial  $P$  without constant term evaluated on some  $\varphi_{s_1}, \varphi_{s_2}, \dots, \varphi_{s_N}$ :

$$\varphi = P(\varphi_{s_1}, \varphi_{s_2}, \dots, \varphi_{s_N}) = \sum_{|\alpha| \leq m} c_\alpha \cdot \varphi_{s_1}^{\alpha_1} \cdot \varphi_{s_2}^{\alpha_2} \cdots \varphi_{s_N}^{\alpha_N}.$$

## PROOF - 2/2

By the Proposition, there exists  $j \in \{1, \dots, N\}$  such that

$$\rho(\varphi) = \rho(\varphi_{s_j}) = s_j \notin \mathbb{N}_0.$$

Thus,  $\varphi$  is surjective (Why?).

Finally, take any  $F \in \mathcal{CS}_\infty(\mathbb{R}, \mathbb{C})$  and consider the algebra

$$\mathcal{B} := \{\varphi \circ F\}_{\varphi \in \mathcal{A}}.$$

Then it is plain that  $\mathcal{B}$  is  $\mathfrak{c}$ -generated and that

$$\mathcal{B} \setminus \{0\} \subset \mathcal{CS}_\infty(\mathbb{R}, \mathbb{C}),$$

as required.

## Peano and $\sigma$ -Peano spaces

A theorem of Hahn and Mazurkiewicz provides a topological characterization of Hausdorff topological spaces that are continuous image of the unit interval  $I := [0, 1]$ : these are precisely the Peano spaces. We are interested in investigating the topological spaces that are continuous image of the *real line*, and for this task the following definition seems natural.

### Definition

A topological space  $X$  is a  $\sigma$ -Peano space if there exists an increasing sequence of subsets

$$K_1 \subset K_2 \subset \cdots \subset K_m \subset \cdots \subset X,$$

such that each one of them is a Peano space (endowed with the topology inherited from  $X$ ) and  $\bigcup_{n \in \mathbb{N}} K_n = X$ .

## Proposition

Let  $X$  be a Hausdorff topological space. TFAE:

- (a)  $X$  is a  $\sigma$ -Peano space.
- (b)  $\mathcal{CS}_\infty(\mathbb{R}, X) \neq \emptyset$ .
- (c)  $\mathcal{CS}(\mathbb{R}, X) \neq \emptyset$ .

### Example (Spaces that are $\sigma$ -Peano)

The Euclidean spaces  $\mathbb{R}^n$  and Peano spaces are  $\sigma$ -Peano. For  $1 < p \leq \infty$ , the Hilbert cube

$$C_p := \prod_{n \in \mathbb{N}} \left[ -\frac{1}{n}, \frac{1}{n} \right] \subset \ell_p,$$

considered as a topological subspace of  $\ell_p$ , is a compact metric space, so it is a Peano space. For each natural  $k$ , let  $k C_p$  be the Hilbert cube after applying a “ $k$ -homogeneous dilation” to it. Therefore, the union of Hilbert cubes  $\bigcup_{k \in \mathbb{N}} k C_p$  is a  $\sigma$ -Peano topological vector space, when endowed with the topology inherited from  $\ell_p$ .

### Example (Spaces that are NOT $\sigma$ -Peano)

- (a) Every  $\sigma$ -Peano space is separable (continuity preserves separability). In particular,  $\ell_\infty$  is not  $\sigma$ -Peano.
- (b) No infinite dimensional  $\mathbb{F}$ -space is  $\sigma$ -compact (i.e., a countable union of compact spaces), and, therefore, is not  $\sigma$ -Peano. This is a consequence of the Baire category theorem combined with the fact that on infinite dimensional topological vector spaces, compact sets have empty interior. In particular, no infinite dimensional Banach space is  $\sigma$ -Peano.



Theorem (Albuquerque, Bernal, Pellegrino, Seoane, 2014)

Let  $\mathcal{X}$  be a  $\sigma$ -Peano topological vector space.

Then

$$\mathcal{CS}_\infty(\mathbb{R}^m, \mathcal{X})$$

is maximal lineable in  $\mathcal{C}(\mathbb{R}^m, \mathcal{X})$ .

Constructive techniques?

General (existence) results?

Definition (Aron, Gurariy, Seoane, 2004)

A subset  $M$  of a topological vector space  $X$  is said to be **dense-lineable** in  $X$  if there exists an infinite dimensional linear manifold in  $M \cup \{0\}$  and dense in  $X$ .

## Definition

Let  $A, B$  be subsets of a vector space  $X$ . We say that  $A$  is stronger than  $B$  if  $A + B \subseteq A$ .

In general,  $0 \notin A$ .

The following result will give us a technique to prove the dense-lineability of certain lineable sets.

## Theorem (Aron, García, Pérez, Seoane, 2009)

*Let  $X$  be a separable Banach space, and consider two subsets  $A, B$  of  $X$  such that  $A$  is lineable and  $B$  dense-lineable.*

*If  $A$  is stronger than  $B$ , then  $A$  is dense-lineable.*

# Applications

## $\mathcal{CND}[0, 1]$

- 1 Gurariy (1966) showed that  $\mathcal{CND}[0, 1]$  is lineable.
- 2 The set  $\mathcal{P}$  of polynomials in  $[0, 1]$  is dense in  $\mathcal{C}[0, 1]$ .
- 3 Clearly,  $\mathcal{CND}[0, 1]$  is stronger than  $\mathcal{P}$ .
- 4 Thus,  $\mathcal{CND}[0, 1]$  is dense-lineable.

$\mathcal{HC}(D)$ 

- 1 In 1952, MacLane constructed a universal entire function for the differentiation operator

$$\begin{aligned} D &: \mathcal{H}(\mathbb{C}) &\longrightarrow & \mathcal{H}(\mathbb{C}) \\ &f(z) &\longmapsto & f'(z) \end{aligned}$$

- 2 Thus, there exists an entire function  $f$  such that the set  $\{f^{(n)} : n \in \mathbb{N}\}$  is dense in  $\mathcal{H}(\mathbb{C})$ , endowed with the compact-open topology.
- 3  $\mathcal{HC}(D)$  is stronger than  $\mathcal{P}$ .
- 4 Therefore,  $\mathcal{HC}(D)$  is dense-lineable.

## $\mathcal{C}^\infty$ non-analytic functions

- 1 The set of non-analytic  $\mathcal{C}^\infty$  functions on  $[-1, 1]$ , as well as the set of functions that are in  $\mathcal{C}^m \setminus \mathcal{C}^n$  (with  $m < n$ ), are dense-lineable.
- 2 Consider the infinite dimensional subspace  $S$  of  $\mathcal{C}^\infty[-1, 1]$  given by  $S = \text{span}\{e^{-\frac{\alpha}{x^2}} : \alpha > 0\}$ . It is clear that every function in  $S \setminus \{0\}$  is non-analytic, since all derivatives at 0 are equal to 0. However the set of  $\mathcal{C}^\infty$  non-analytic functions is clearly stronger than the set of polynomials, which is dense.

Let us see that the set of  $\mathcal{C}^\infty$ -functions on  $\mathbb{R}$  with constant Taylor expansion is maximal-algebrable.

## $C^\infty$ non-analytic functions, I

Let  $M_0 \subset M$  be the set of  $C^\infty$ -functions whose Taylor expansion is identically equal to zero. Consider the functions  $f_\beta$ , where  $\beta \in \mathbb{R}^+$ , given by

$$f_\beta(x) = \begin{cases} e^{-\beta x^{-2}} & \text{if } x \neq 0, \\ 0 & \text{if } x = 0. \end{cases}$$

A straightforward calculation gives that  $f_\beta^{(n)}(0) = 0$  for every  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ . Therefore  $f_\beta \in M_0$ .

Define now the following algebra:

$$A := \mathcal{A}(\{f_\gamma : \gamma \in \mathcal{H}\}).$$



The family  $\{f_\gamma : \gamma \in \mathcal{H}\}$  is algebraically independent. Take any polynomial

$$P(f_{\gamma_1}, \dots, f_{\gamma_k}) := \sum_{i=1}^m \alpha_i \prod_{j=1}^k f_{\gamma_j}^{n_{j,i}},$$

where  $\{\alpha_i\}_{i=1}^m \subset \mathbb{R} \setminus \{0\}$ ,  $m$ ,  $k$  and all the  $n_{j,i}$ 's are natural numbers and where  $n_{j,a} = n_{j,b}$  for all  $j \in \{1, \dots, k\}$  if and only if  $a = b$ .

A straight forward calculation shows that

$$\begin{aligned} P(f_{\gamma_1}, \dots, f_{\gamma_k}) &= \sum_{i=1}^m \alpha_i e^{-(n_{1,i}\gamma_1 + \dots + n_{k,i}\gamma_k)x^{-2}} \\ &=: \sum_{i=1}^m \alpha_i e^{-\beta_i x^{-2}}. \end{aligned}$$

Since  $\{\gamma_i\}_{i=1}^k \subset \mathcal{H}$ , we get that all the  $\beta_i$ 's are different positive real numbers.





Thus,

$$P(f_{\gamma_1}, \dots, f_{\gamma_k})(x) = \sum_{i=1}^m \alpha_i f_{\beta_i}(x) =: F(x),$$

where  $\beta_i = \beta_j$  if and only if  $i = j$ .

Suppose now that  $F \equiv 0$ . Then  $F' \equiv 0$  and thus,

$$F'(x) = \frac{2}{x^3} \sum_{i=1}^m \alpha_i \beta_i f_{\beta_i}(x) =: \frac{2}{x^3} G_1(x) = 0 \quad \forall x \in \mathbb{R}.$$

Therefore  $G_1 \equiv 0$  and so we must have  $G_1' \equiv 0$ , from which it follows that...  $G_2 \equiv 0$ ... and so on.

## IV

Continuing in the same manner we obtain that

$$G_n := \sum_{i=1}^m \alpha_i \beta_i^n f_{\beta_i} \equiv 0 \forall \in \mathbb{N} \Rightarrow 0 = \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} G_n(x) = \sum_{i=1}^m \alpha_i \beta_i^n \forall \in \mathbb{N}$$

By writing this last equation for  $n = 0, \dots, m-1$ , we obtain:

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 & \cdots & 1 \\ \beta_1 & \beta_2 & \beta_3 & \cdots & \beta_m \\ \beta_1^2 & \beta_2^2 & \beta_3^2 & \cdots & \beta_m^2 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ \beta_1^{m-1} & \beta_2^{m-1} & \beta_3^{m-1} & \cdots & \beta_m^{m-1} \end{pmatrix} \cdot \begin{pmatrix} \alpha_1 \\ \alpha_2 \\ \alpha_3 \\ \vdots \\ \alpha_m \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ \vdots \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}.$$

A Vandermonde-type matrix!!!!

Therefore,  $\alpha_1 = \dots = \alpha_k = 0 \implies \{f_\gamma : \gamma \in \mathcal{H}\}$  is a. i.

# Questions

- Is there any general (existence, non-constructive) result that guarantees the lineability of a given subset of  $\mathbb{R}^{\mathbb{R}}$ ?
- On the other hand... Is there an “easy” way to find out when a set is not lineable at all?

# Additivity

- We have given conditions that provide **dense lineability** for **lineable** sets.
- However, Is it possible to know when a subset of  $\mathbb{R}^{\mathbb{R}}$  is, simply, **lineable**?
- Let us recall the following concept:

Let  $\mathcal{F} \subset \mathbb{R}^{\mathbb{R}}$ . The **additivity** of  $\mathcal{F}$  is given by the following cardinal invariant:

$$\mathcal{A}(\mathcal{F}) = \min(\{\text{card } F : F \subset \mathbb{R}^{\mathbb{R}}, \varphi + F \not\subset \mathcal{F}, \forall \varphi \in \mathbb{R}^{\mathbb{R}}\} \cup \{(2^{\mathfrak{c}})^+\}),$$

where  $(2^{\mathfrak{c}})^+$  denotes the successor of  $2^{\mathfrak{c}}$ .

$$\mathcal{A}(\mathcal{F}) = \min(\{\text{card } F : F \subset \mathbb{R}^{\mathbb{R}}, \varphi + F \not\subset \mathcal{F}, \forall \varphi \in \mathbb{R}^{\mathbb{R}}\} \cup \{(2^c)^+\})$$

## Additivity:

- Introduced by T. Natkaniec in the 1990's and thoroughly studied in F. E. Jordan's dissertation (1998).
- The additivity of an immense amount of families of functions is known.
- While knowing whether a set is lineable or not can be a very hard problem, finding the additivity of a certain set is (in general) fairly simple.

## Additivity and lineability

Theorem (Gómez, Muñoz, Seoane, 2010)

Let  $\mathcal{F} \subset \mathbb{R}^{\mathbb{R}}$  star-like. If  $\mathfrak{c} < \mathcal{A}(\mathcal{F}) \leq 2^{\mathfrak{c}}$ , then  $\mathcal{F}$  is  $\mathcal{A}(\mathcal{F})$ -lineable.

This previous result allows us to obtain the lineability of many families of *strange* functions.

## Some Definitions in Real Analysis

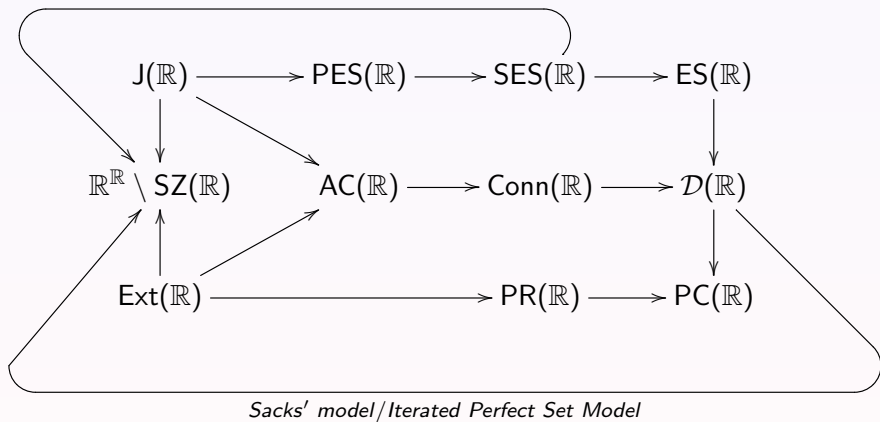
Let  $f \in \mathbb{R}^{\mathbb{R}}$ . We say that:

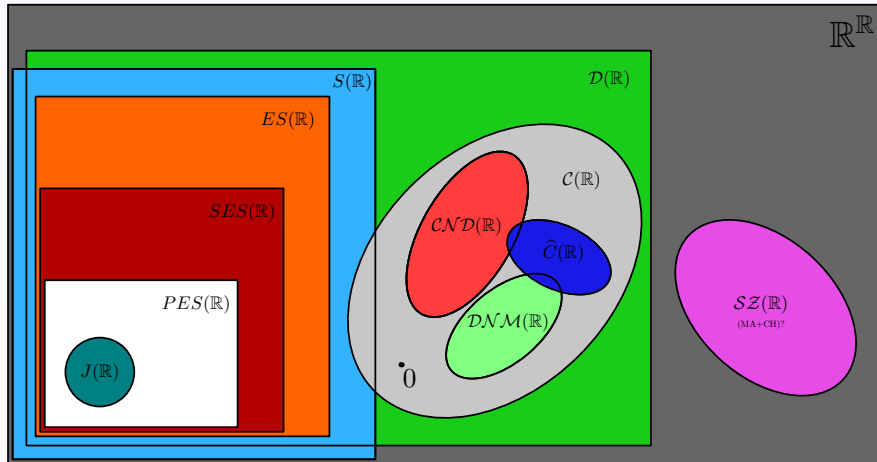
- 1.-  $f \in \text{ES}(\mathbb{R})$  ( $f$  is everywhere surjective) if  $f(I) = \mathbb{R}$  for every non-trivial interval  $I$ .
- 2.-  $f \in \text{SES}(\mathbb{R})$  ( $f$  is strongly everywhere surjective) if  $f$  takes all values  $c$  times on any interval.
- 3.-  $f \in \text{PES}(\mathbb{R})$  ( $f$  is perfectly everywhere surjective) if for every perfect set  $P$ ,  $f(P) = \mathbb{R}$ .
- 4.-  $f \in \text{AC}(\mathbb{R})$  ( $f$  is almost continuous, in the sense of J. Stallings) if every open set containing the graph of  $f$  contains also the graph of some continuous function.
- 5.- If  $h: X \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ , where  $X$  is a topological space,  $h \in \text{Conn}(X)$  ( $h$  is a connectivity function) if the graph of  $h|_C$  is connected for every connected set  $C \subset X$ . (If  $h \in \mathbb{R}^{\mathbb{R}}$ , it is equivalent to say that its graph is connected.)

- 6.-  $f \in \text{Ext}(\mathbb{R})$  ( $f$  is extendable) if there is a connectivity function  $g: \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow [0, 1]$  such that  $f(x) = g(x, 0)$  for every  $x \in \mathbb{R}$ .
- 7.-  $f \in \text{PR}(\mathbb{R})$  ( $f$  is a perfect road function) if for every  $x \in \mathbb{R}$  there is a perfect set  $P \subset \mathbb{R}$  such that  $x$  is a bilateral limit point of  $P$  and  $f|_P$  is continuous at  $x$ .
- 8.-  $f \in \text{PC}(\mathbb{R})$  ( $f$  is peripherally continuous) if for every  $x \in \mathbb{R}$  and pair of open sets  $U, V \subset \mathbb{R}$  such that  $x \in U$  and  $f(x) \in V$  there is an open neighborhood  $W$  of  $x$  with  $\overline{W} \subset U$  and  $f(\text{bd}(W)) \subset V$ .
- 9.-  $f \in \text{SZ}(\mathbb{R})$  ( $f$  is a Sierpiński-Zygmund function) if  $f$  is not continuous on any set of cardinality  $\mathfrak{c}$ .
- 10.-  $f \in \mathcal{D}(\mathbb{R})$  if  $f$  is a Darboux function.



## Some relations between the previous concepts.



Some relations between other subsets of  $\mathbb{R}^{\mathbb{R}}$ .

## Lineability VIA additivity

Here we see that combining the additivity of a certain family plus the GCH we can obtain **sharp** results:

SET	ADDITIVITY	LINEABILITY (ZFC)	+ GCH
$AC(\mathbb{R})$	$e_c$	$2^c$	$=$
$Conn(\mathbb{R})$	$e_c$	$2^c$	$=$
$Ext(\mathbb{R})$	$c^+$	$2^c$	$=$
$PR(\mathbb{R})$	$c^+$	$2^c$	$=$
$SZ(\mathbb{R})$	$d_c$	$c^+$	$2^c$
$J(\mathbb{R})$	$e_c$	$2^c$	$=$

$$d_c = \min \{ \text{card } F : F \subset \mathbb{R}^{\mathbb{R}}, (\forall \varphi \in \mathbb{R}^{\mathbb{R}}) (\exists f \in F) (\text{card}(f \cap \varphi) = c) \}$$

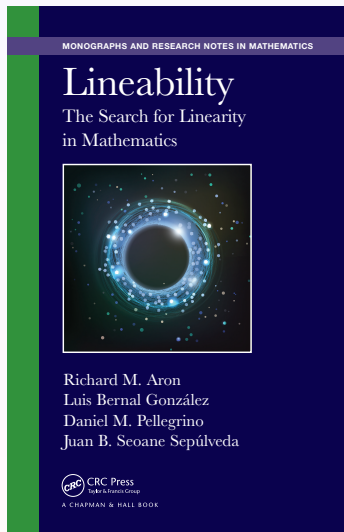
$$e_c = \min \{ \text{card } F : F \subset \mathbb{R}^{\mathbb{R}}, (\forall \varphi \in \mathbb{R}^{\mathbb{R}}) (\exists f \in F) (\text{card}(f \cap \varphi) < c) \}$$

$$c^+ \leq d_c \leq 2^c \quad c^+ \leq e_c \leq 2^c$$

## General “existence” techniques

- **2011** (Kitson and Timoney).
- **2012** (Botelho, Cariello, Fávoro, and Pellegrino): Maximal-spaceability (applied to subsets of certain topological vector sequence spaces).
- **2013** (Bernal, Ordóñez): General technique that can be applied to many frameworks of study, generalizing one of the previous known ones.

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