

Dynamical properties of greedy and lazy alternate base expansions

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Backgrounds

Let $\beta > 1$, a β -**representation** of a real number x is an infinite word $a \in (\mathbb{N})^{\mathbb{N}}$ such that

$$\begin{aligned} x &= \frac{a_0}{\beta} + \frac{a_1}{\beta^2} + \frac{a_2}{\beta^3} + \cdots \\ &= \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} \frac{a_i}{\beta^{i+1}} \end{aligned}$$

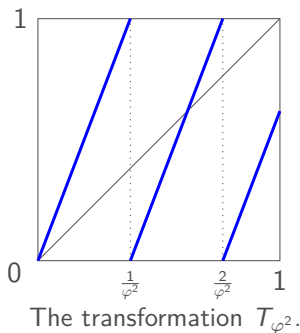
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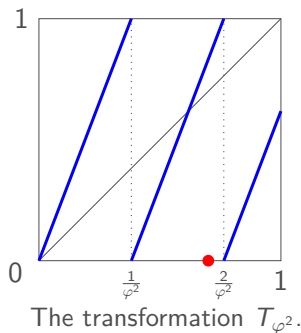
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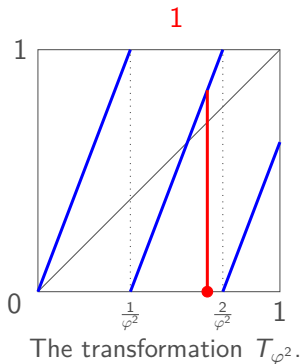
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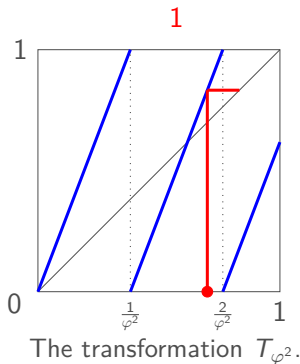
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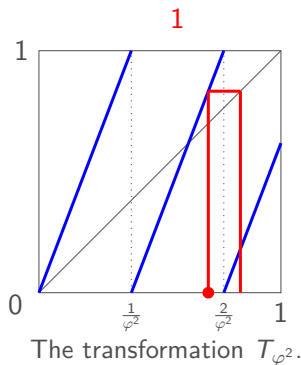
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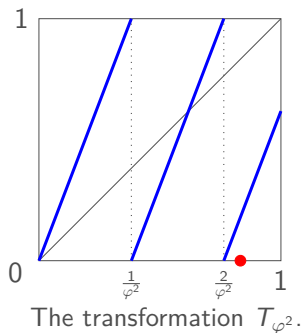
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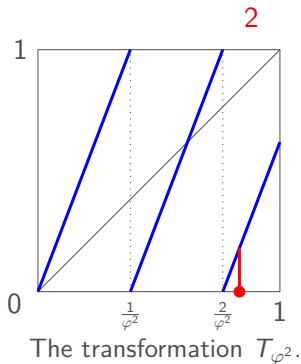
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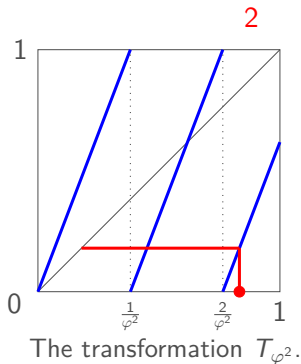
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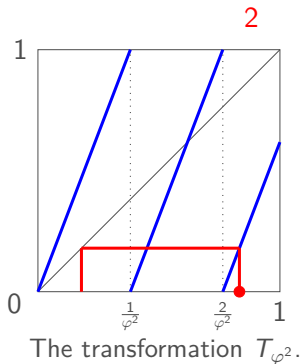
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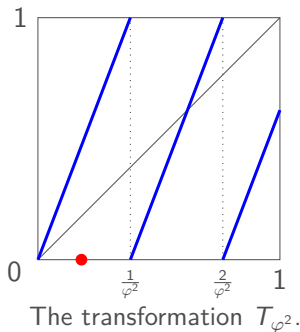
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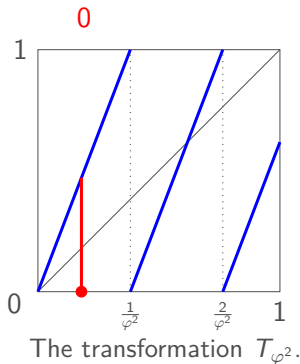
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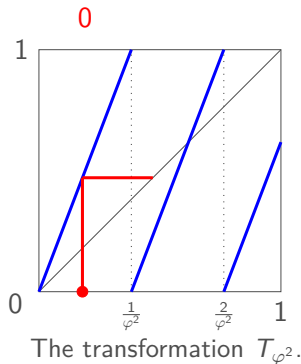
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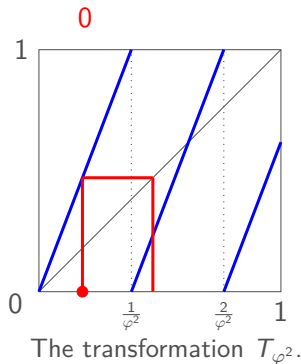
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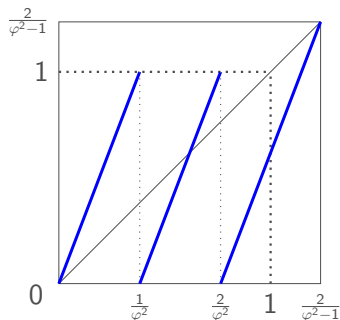


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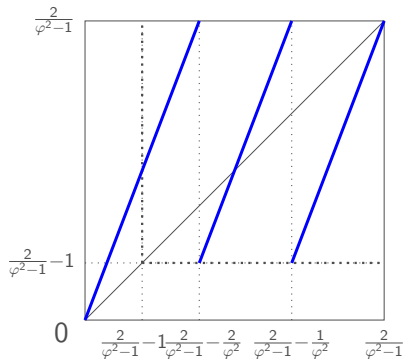
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Combinatorial results (Charlier & C., 2020):

- The β -expansion of a real number $x \in [0, 1]$ is the greatest of all the β -representations of x with respect to the lexicographic order.
- The β -expansion of 1 can't be purely periodic.
- The function d_β is increasing.
- Definition of a quasi-greedy representation $d_\beta^*(1)$.
- Generalization of Parry's theorem and its corollary.
- Characterization of the β -shift.
- Generalization of *Bertrand-Mathis'* theorem: The β -shift is sofic if and only if all quasi-greedy $\beta^{(i)}$ -expansions of 1 are ultimately periodic, where $\beta^{(i)} = (\beta_i, \dots, \beta_{p-1}, \beta_0, \dots, \beta_{i-1})$.

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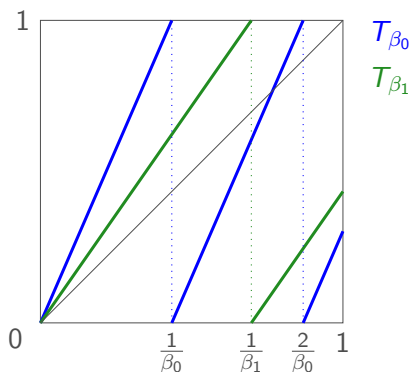
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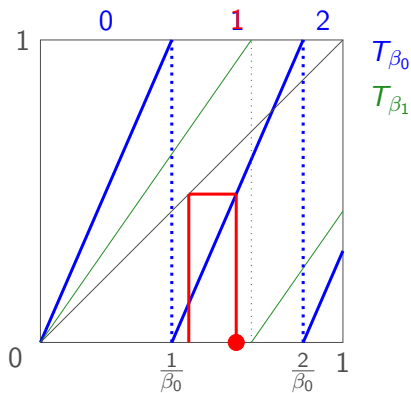
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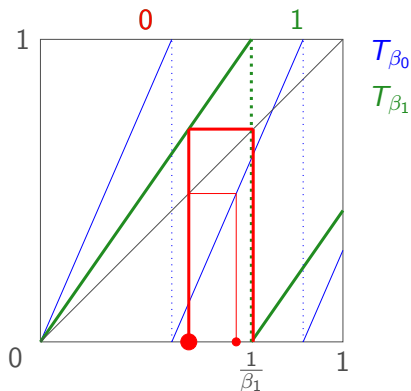
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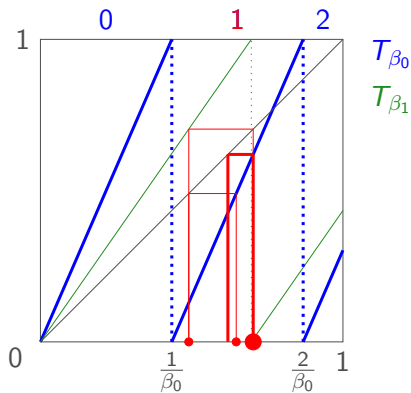
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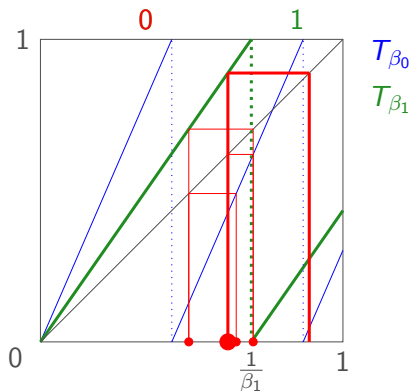
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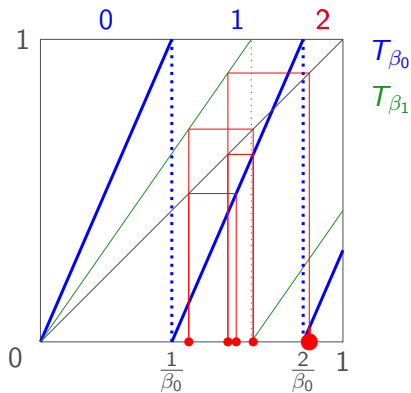
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for $i \in \llbracket 0, p-1 \rrbracket$, where

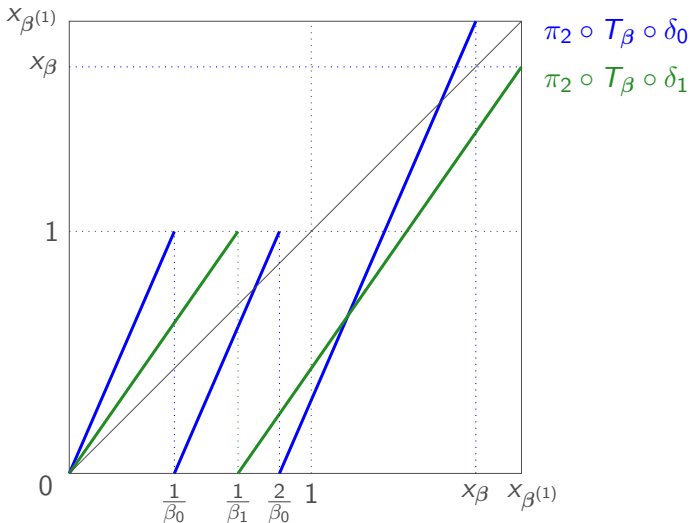
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$$\delta_i: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \{i\} \times \mathbb{R}, \quad x \mapsto (i, x).$$

The maps $\pi_2 \circ T_\beta \circ \delta_0|_{[0, x_\beta)}$ and $\pi_2 \circ T_\beta \circ \delta_1|_{[0, x_{\beta(1)})}$ with

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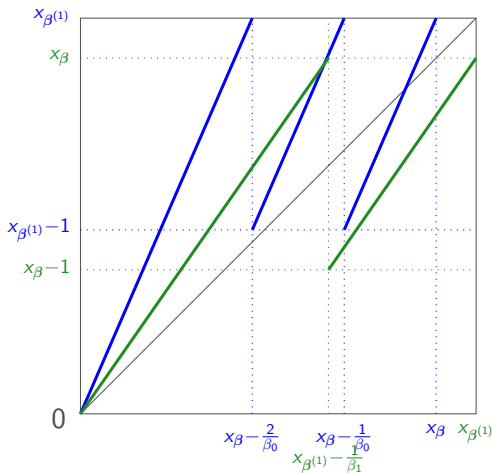
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$$\pi_2 \circ L_\beta \circ \delta_i|_{(0, x_{\beta(i)}]}: (0, x_{\beta(i)}] \rightarrow (0, x_{\beta(i+1)}]$$

for $i \in \llbracket 0, p-1 \rrbracket$.

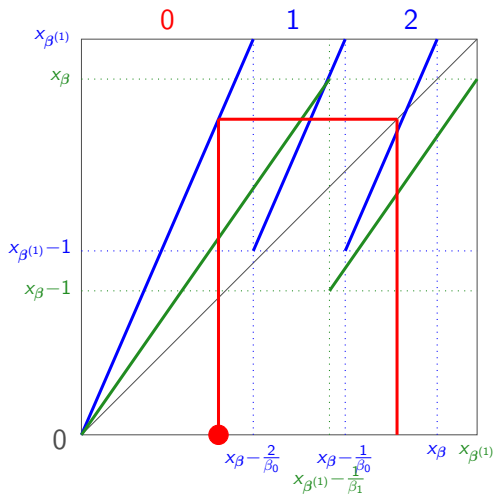
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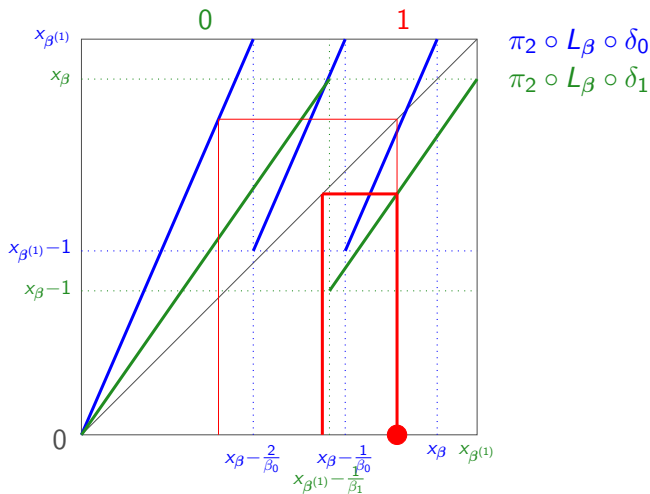
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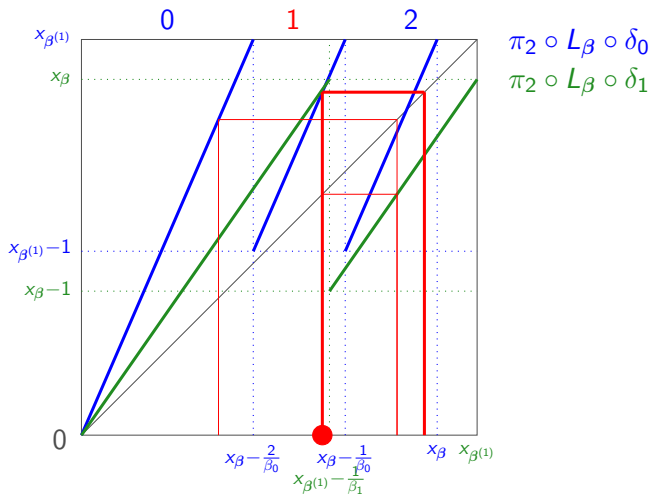
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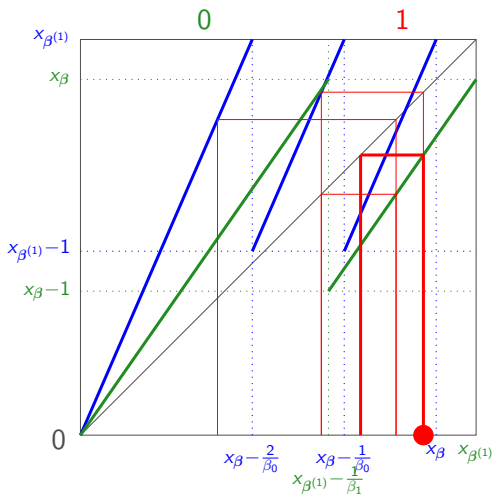
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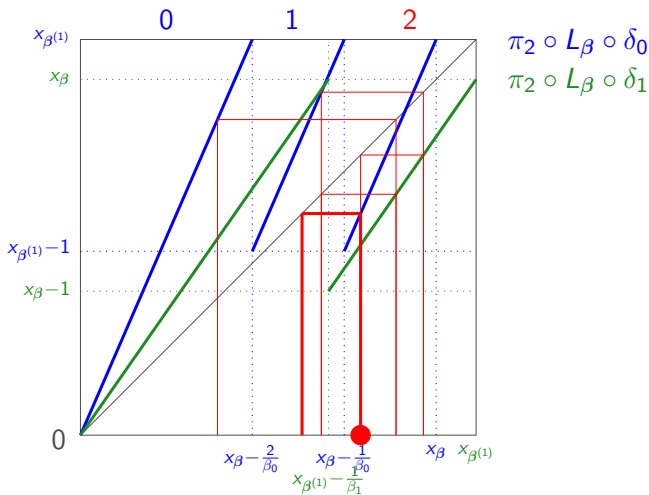
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$$\pi_2 \circ L_\beta \circ \delta_1$$

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Measure Theory

Consider a probability space (X, \mathcal{F}, μ) and a map $T: X \rightarrow X$.

- ▶ μ is T -invariant: $\mu(T^{-1}B) = \mu(B)$.
- ▶ μ absolutely continuous w.r.t ν : $\nu(B) = 0 \Rightarrow \mu(B) = 0$.
- ▶ μ is equivalent to ν : $\mu(B) = 0 \Leftrightarrow \nu(B) = 0$.
- ▶ T is ergodic: $T^{-1}B = B \Rightarrow \mu(B) = 0$ or 1 .

Theorem (Rényi, 1957)

There exists a unique T_β -invariant absolutely continuous probability measure μ_β on $\mathcal{B}([0, 1))$. Furthermore, the measure μ_β is equivalent to the Lebesgue measure on $\mathcal{B}([0, 1))$ and the dynamical system $([0, 1), \mathcal{B}([0, 1)), \mu_\beta, T_\beta)$ is ergodic and has entropy $\log(\beta)$.

Question:

- Can we find a T_β -invariant probability measure μ_β equivalent to “Lebesgue” and such that the transformation T_β is ergodic?

Steps:

- For all $i \in \llbracket 0, p-1 \rrbracket$, we consider the alternate base

$$\beta^{(i)} = (\beta_i, \dots, \beta_{p-1}, \beta_0, \dots, \beta_{i-1})$$

and we find a $(T_{\beta_{i-1}} \circ \cdots \circ T_{\beta_0} \circ T_{\beta_{p-1}} \circ \cdots \circ T_{\beta_i})$ -invariant probability measure $\mu_{\beta,i}$, equivalent to Lebesgue and such that $T_{\beta_{i-1}} \circ \cdots \circ T_{\beta_0} \circ T_{\beta_{p-1}} \circ \cdots \circ T_{\beta_i}$ is ergodic.

- With the probability measures $\mu_{\beta,i}$ we construct a probability measure μ_β .
- We prove the properties on μ_β .

For all $n \in \mathbb{N}_{\geq 1}$ and all $\beta_0, \dots, \beta_{n-1} > 1$, the map $T_{\beta_{n-1}} \circ \cdots \circ T_{\beta_0}$ is piecewise linear with a slope $\beta_0 \cdots \beta_{n-1} > 1$. From a result of Lasota and Yorke, we get the following.

Theorem (Charlier, C. & Dajani)

For all $n \in \mathbb{N}_{\geq 1}$ and all $\beta_0, \dots, \beta_{n-1} > 1$, there exists a unique $(T_{\beta_{n-1}} \circ \cdots \circ T_{\beta_0})$ -invariant absolutely continuous probability measure μ on $\mathcal{B}([0, 1])$. Furthermore, the measure μ is equivalent to the Lebesgue measure on $\mathcal{B}([0, 1])$, its density is bounded and decreasing, and the dynamical system $([0, 1], \mathcal{B}([0, 1]), \mu, T_{\beta_{n-1}} \circ \cdots \circ T_{\beta_0})$ is exact and has entropy $\log(\beta_0 \cdots \beta_{n-1})$.

Remark: Exactness implies ergodicity.

For all $i \in \llbracket 0, p-1 \rrbracket$, consider the alternate base

$$\beta^{(i)} = (\beta_i, \dots, \beta_{p-1}, \beta_0, \dots, \beta_{i-1})$$

and let $\mu_{\beta,i}$ be the measure given by the theorem for

$$T_{\beta_{i-1}} \circ \cdots \circ T_{\beta_0} \circ T_{\beta_{p-1}} \circ \cdots \circ T_{\beta_i}.$$

We define the σ -algebra

$$\mathcal{T}_p = \left\{ \bigcup_{i=0}^{p-1} (\{i\} \times B_i) : \forall i \in \llbracket 0, p-1 \rrbracket, B_i \in \mathcal{B}([0, 1]) \right\}.$$

We define the probability measure μ_β on \mathcal{T}_p as follows:

For all $B_0, \dots, B_{p-1} \in \mathcal{B}([0, 1])$,

$$\mu_\beta \left(\bigcup_{i=0}^{p-1} (\{i\} \times B_i) \right) = \frac{1}{p} \sum_{i=0}^{p-1} \mu_{\beta,i}(B_i).$$

We define an *extended Lebesgue measure* λ_p over \mathcal{T}_p as follows.
For all $B_0, \dots, B_{p-1} \in \mathcal{B}([0, 1))$,

$$\lambda_p\left(\bigcup_{i=0}^{p-1}(\{i\} \times B_i)\right) = \frac{1}{p} \sum_{i=0}^{p-1} \lambda(B_i).$$

Theorem (Charlier, C. & Dajani)

The measure μ_β is the unique T_β -invariant probability measure on \mathcal{T}_p that is absolutely continuous with respect to λ_p . Furthermore, μ_β is equivalent to λ_p on \mathcal{T}_p and the dynamical system $(\llbracket 0, p-1 \rrbracket \times [0, 1), \mathcal{T}_p, \mu_\beta, T_\beta)$ is ergodic and has entropy $\frac{1}{p} \log(\beta_0 \cdots \beta_{p-1})$.

The result can be extended on the dynamical system

$$\left(\bigcup_{i=0}^{p-1} (\{i\} \times [0, x_{\beta(i)}]), \mathcal{T}_\beta, \mu_\beta, T_\beta \right)$$

where

$$\mathcal{T}_\beta = \left\{ \bigcup_{i=0}^{p-1} (\{i\} \times B_i) : \forall i \in \llbracket 0, p-1 \rrbracket, B_i \in \mathcal{B}([0, x_{\beta(i)}]) \right\}$$

by setting

$$\mu_\beta(A) = \mu_\beta(A \cap (\llbracket 0, p-1 \rrbracket \times [0, 1)))$$

and

$$\lambda_p(A) = \lambda_p(A \cap (\llbracket 0, p-1 \rrbracket \times [0, 1))).$$

Isomorphisms

Two dynamical systems

$$(X, \mathcal{F}_X, \mu_X, T_X)$$

and

$$(Y, \mathcal{F}_Y, \mu_Y, T_Y)$$

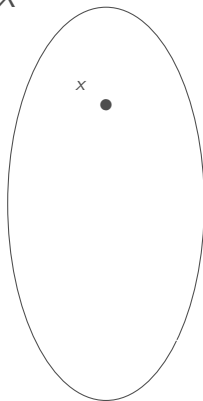
are (measurably) **isomorphic** if there exists an almost everywhere bijective measurable map $\psi: X \rightarrow Y$ such that

$$\psi \circ T_X = T_Y \circ \psi$$

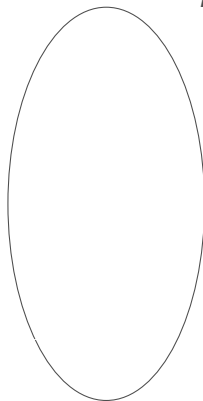
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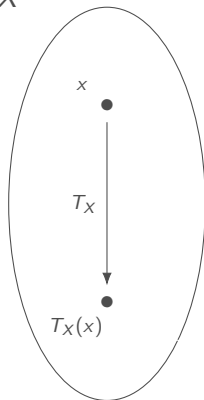
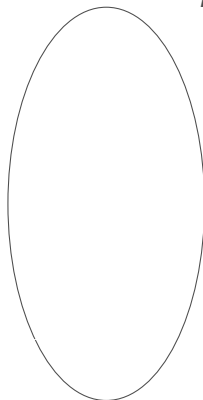
$$\mu_Y = \mu_X \circ \psi^{-1}.$$

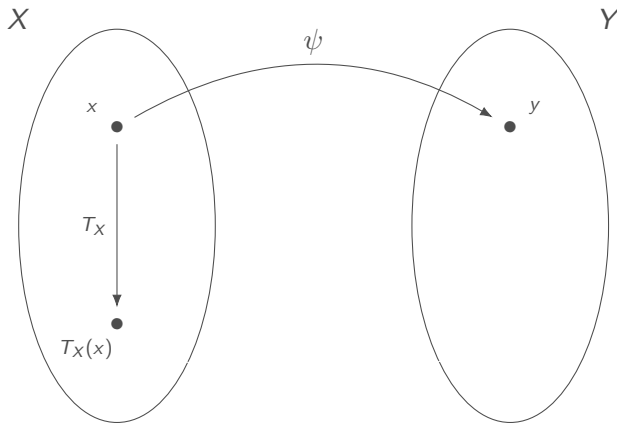
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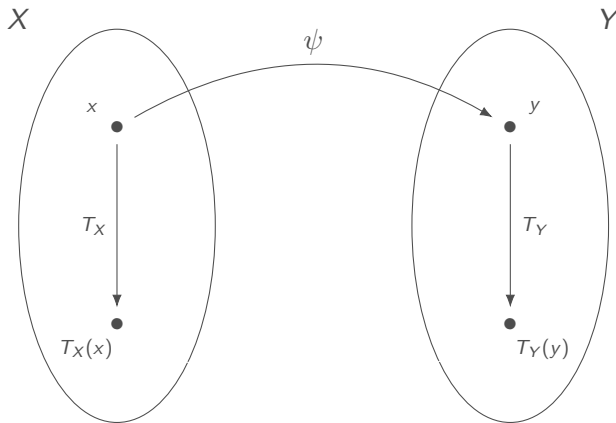


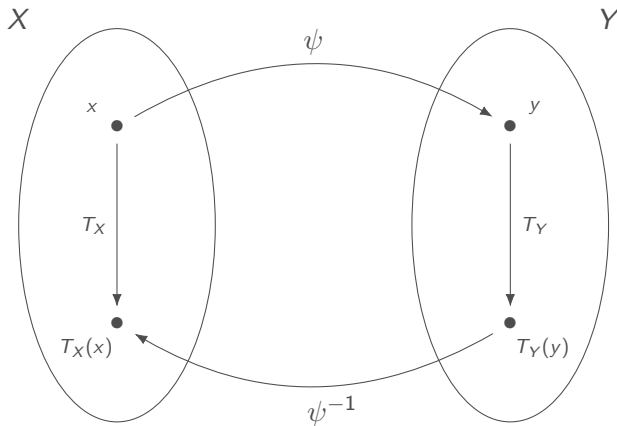
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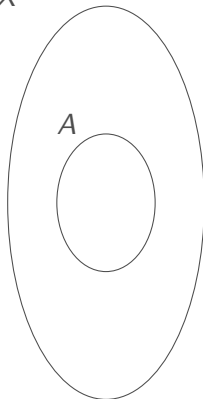
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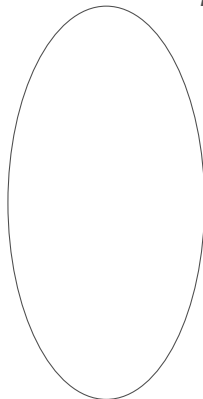




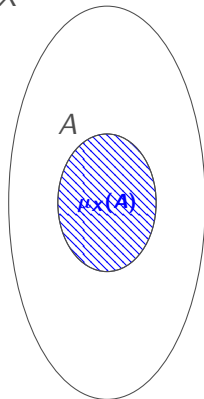
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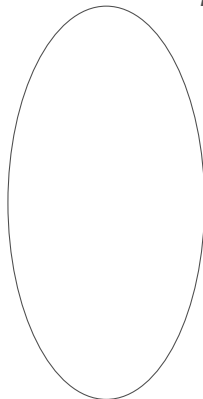
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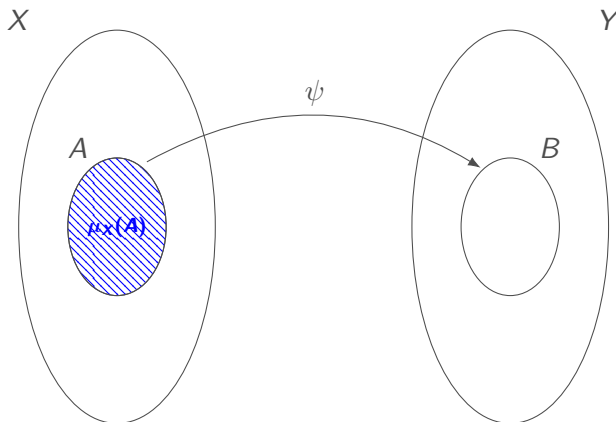


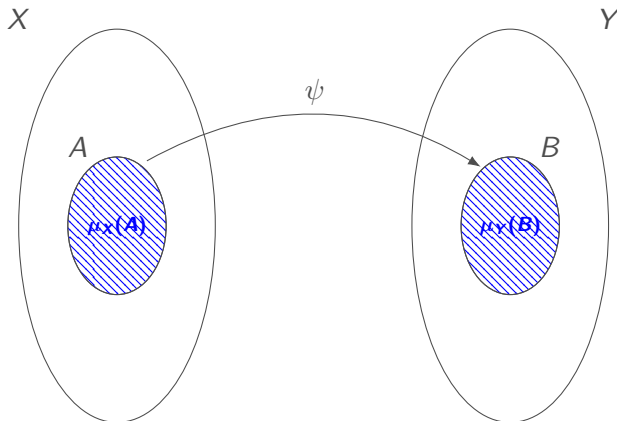
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Greedy-Lazy isomorphism

Consider the map

$$\phi_\beta: \bigcup_{i=0}^{p-1} (\{i\} \times [0, x_{\beta(i)})) \rightarrow \bigcup_{i=0}^{p-1} (\{i\} \times (0, x_{\beta(i)}]), (i, x) \mapsto (i, x_{\beta(i)} - x).$$

We have

$$\phi_\beta \circ T_\beta = L_\beta \circ \phi_\beta.$$

Hence, if $x \in [0, x_\beta)$ has greedy β -expansion

$$a_0 a_1 a_2 \cdots,$$

then $\pi_2(\phi_\beta(0, x)) = x_\beta - x$ has lazy β -expansion

$$(\lceil \beta_0 \rceil - 1 - a_0)(\lceil \beta_1 \rceil - 1 - a_1)(\lceil \beta_2 \rceil - 1 - a_2) \cdots.$$

We define the σ -algebra

$$\mathcal{L}_\beta = \left\{ \bigcup_{i=0}^{p-1} (\{i\} \times B_i) : \forall i \in \llbracket 0, p-1 \rrbracket, B_i \in \mathcal{B}((0, x_{\beta(i)}]) \right\}$$

on $\bigcup_{i=0}^{p-1} (\{i\} \times (0, x_{\beta(i)}])$.

Theorem (Charlier, C. & Dajani)

The map ϕ_β is an isomorphism between the dynamical systems

$$\left(\bigcup_{i=0}^{p-1} (\{i\} \times [0, x_{\beta(i)}]), \mathcal{T}_\beta, \mu_\beta, T_\beta \right)$$

and

$$\left(\bigcup_{i=0}^{p-1} (\{i\} \times (0, x_{\beta(i)}]), \mathcal{L}_\beta, \mu_\beta \circ \phi_\beta^{-1}, L_\beta \right).$$

Theorem (Charlier, C. & Dajani)

The measure $\mu_\beta \circ \phi_\beta^{-1}$ is the unique L_β -invariant probability measure on \mathcal{L}_β that is absolutely continuous with respect to $\lambda_p \circ \phi_\beta^{-1}$. Furthermore, $\mu_\beta \circ \phi_\beta^{-1}$ is equivalent to $\lambda_p \circ \phi_\beta^{-1}$ on \mathcal{L}_β and the dynamical system $(\bigcup_{i=0}^{p-1} (\{i\} \times (0, x_{\beta(i)}]), \mathcal{L}_\beta, \mu_\beta \circ \phi_\beta^{-1}, L_\beta)$ is ergodic and has entropy $\frac{1}{p} \log(\beta_0 \cdots \beta_{p-1})$.

Remark: Analogue result on $\bigcup_{i=0}^{p-1} (\{i\} \times (x_{\beta(i)} - 1, x_{\beta(i)}])$.

β -shift isomorphism

Let

$$D_\beta = \{d_\beta(x) : x \in [0, 1)\} \quad \text{and} \quad S_\beta = \overline{D_\beta}.$$

Lemma (Charlier & C., 2020)

For all $n \in \mathbb{N}$, if $w \in D_{\beta^{(n)}}$ (resp. $S_{\beta^{(n)}}$) then $\sigma(w) \in D_{\beta^{(n+1)}}$ (resp. $S_{\beta^{(n+1)}}$).

Consider the σ -algebra

$$\mathcal{G}_\beta = \left\{ \bigcup_{i=0}^{p-1} (\{i\} \times (C_i \cap S_{\beta(i)})) : C_i \in \mathcal{C}_{A_\beta} \right\}$$

on $\bigcup_{i=0}^{p-1} (\{i\} \times S_{\beta(i)})$ where

$$A_\beta = \llbracket 0, \max_{i \in \llbracket 0, p-1 \rrbracket} \lceil \beta_i \rceil - 1 \rrbracket$$

and, for all $\ell \in \mathbb{N}$ and $a_0, \dots, a_{\ell-1} \in A_\beta$

$$C_{A_\beta}(a_0, \dots, a_{\ell-1}) = \{w \in A_\beta^\mathbb{N} : w[0] = a_0, \dots, w[\ell-1] = a_{\ell-1}\}.$$

We define the maps

$$\begin{aligned}\sigma_p: \bigcup_{i=0}^{p-1} (\{i\} \times S_{\beta^{(i)}}) &\rightarrow \bigcup_{i=0}^{p-1} (\{i\} \times S_{\beta^{(i)}}), \\ (i, w) &\mapsto ((i+1) \bmod p, \sigma(w)) \\ \psi_\beta: \llbracket 0, p-1 \rrbracket \times [0, 1) &\rightarrow \bigcup_{i=0}^{p-1} (\{i\} \times S_{\beta^{(i)}}), \\ (i, x) &\mapsto (i, d_{\beta^{(i)}}(x)).\end{aligned}$$

We have

$$\psi_\beta \circ T_\beta = \sigma_p \circ \psi_\beta.$$

Theorem (Charlier, C. & Dajani)

The map ψ_β defines an isomorphism between the dynamical systems

$$(\llbracket 0, p-1 \rrbracket \times [0, 1), \mathcal{T}_p, \mu_\beta, T_\beta)$$

and

$$\left(\bigcup_{i=0}^{p-1} (\{i\} \times S_{\beta(i)}), \mathcal{G}_\beta, \mu_\beta \circ \psi_\beta^{-1}, \sigma_p \right).$$

Remark: Analogue result on the measure $\mu_\beta \circ \psi_\beta^{-1}$.

β -expansions and $(\beta_0\beta_1\cdots\beta_{p-1})$ -expansions

Let $\beta = (\beta_0, \dots, \beta_{p-1}) \in (\mathbb{R}_{\geq 1})^p$. By definition of the $d_\beta(x)$, we have

$$\begin{aligned} x = & \frac{a_0}{\beta_0} + \frac{a_1}{\beta_0\beta_1} + \cdots + \frac{a_{p-1}}{\beta_0\cdots\beta_{p-1}} \\ & + \frac{a_p}{(\beta_0\cdots\beta_{p-1})\beta_0} + \frac{a_{p+1}}{(\beta_0\cdots\beta_{p-1})\beta_0\beta_1} + \cdots + \frac{a_{2p-1}}{(\beta_0\cdots\beta_{p-1})^2} \\ & + \cdots . \end{aligned}$$

That can be rewritten as follows

$$\begin{aligned} x = & \frac{a_0\beta_1\cdots\beta_{p-1} + a_1\beta_2\cdots\beta_{p-1} + \cdots + a_{p-1}}{\beta_0\beta_1\cdots\beta_{p-1}} \\ & + \frac{a_p\beta_1\cdots\beta_{p-1} + a_{p+1}\beta_2\cdots\beta_{p-1} + \cdots + a_{2p-1}}{(\beta_0\beta_1\cdots\beta_{p-1})^2} \\ & + \cdots . \end{aligned}$$

Define the digit set

$$\begin{aligned} \Delta_\beta = & \{a_0\beta_1 \cdots \beta_{p-1} + a_1\beta_2 \cdots \beta_{p-1} + \cdots + a_{p-2}\beta_{p-1} + a_{p-1} : \\ & a_j \in \llbracket 0, \lceil \beta_j \rceil - 1 \rrbracket, j \in \llbracket 0, p-1 \rrbracket\} \\ = & \left\{ \sum_{j=0}^{p-1} a_j \beta_{j+1} \cdots \beta_{p-1} : a_j \in \llbracket 0, \lceil \beta_j \rceil - 1 \rrbracket, j \in \llbracket 0, p-1 \rrbracket \right\}. \end{aligned}$$

Questions:

- Can we compare the maps $\pi_2 \circ T_\beta^p \circ \delta_0$ and $T_{\beta_0 \cdots \beta_{p-1}, \Delta_\beta}$ on $[0, x_\beta)$?
- Can we compare the maps $\pi_2 \circ L_\beta^p \circ \delta_0$ and $L_{\beta_0 \cdots \beta_{p-1}, \Delta_\beta}$ on $(0, x_\beta]$?

Backgrounds on expansions over a general digit set

Consider $\beta > 1$ and a digit set

$$\Delta = \{0 = d_0 < d_1 < \cdots < d_m\} \subset \mathbb{R}.$$

The word $a = a_0 a_1 \cdots$ over Δ is a (β, Δ) -representation of $x \in \left[0, \frac{d_m}{\beta-1}\right)$ if

$$x = \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} \frac{a_i}{\beta^{i+1}}.$$

Greedy algorithm:

If the first N digits of the greedy (β, Δ) -expansion of x are given by a_0, \dots, a_{N-1} , then the next digit a_N is the greatest element in Δ such that

$$\sum_{n=0}^N \frac{a_n}{\beta^{n+1}} \leq x.$$

Lazy algorithm:

If the first N digits of the lazy (β, Δ) -expansion of x are given by a_0, \dots, a_{N-1} , then the next digit a_N is the least element in Δ such that

$$\sum_{i=0}^N \frac{a_i}{\beta^{i+1}} + \sum_{i=N+1}^{\infty} \frac{d_m}{\beta^{i+1}} \geq x.$$

Greedy algorithm:

If the first N digits of the greedy (β, Δ) -expansion of x are given by a_0, \dots, a_{N-1} , then the next digit a_N is the greatest element in Δ such that

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Lazy algorithm:

If the first N digits of the lazy (β, Δ) -expansion of x are given by a_0, \dots, a_{N-1} , then the next digit a_N is the least element in Δ such that

$$\sum_{i=0}^N \frac{a_i}{\beta^{i+1}} + \underbrace{\sum_{i=N+1}^{\infty} \frac{d_m}{\beta^{i+1}}}_{\substack{= \frac{d_m}{\beta^{N+1}} \\ = \frac{\beta-1}{\beta^{N+1}}}} \geq x.$$

The transformation that generates the greedy and lazy (β, Δ) -expansions are

$$T_{\beta, \Delta}: [0, \frac{d_m}{\beta-1}) \rightarrow [0, \frac{d_m}{\beta-1}),$$

$$x \mapsto \begin{cases} \beta x - d_i & \text{if } x \in [\frac{d_i}{\beta}, \frac{d_{i+1}}{\beta}), \text{ for } i \in \llbracket 0, m-1 \rrbracket \\ \beta x - d_m & \text{if } x \in [\frac{d_m}{\beta}, \frac{d_m}{\beta-1}) \end{cases}$$

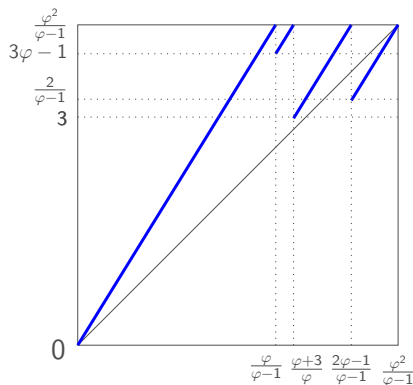
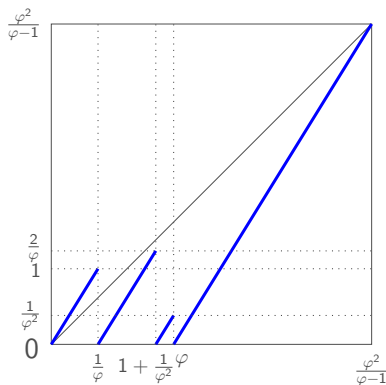
and

$$L_{\beta, \Delta}: (0, \frac{d_m}{\beta-1}] \rightarrow (0, \frac{d_m}{\beta-1}],$$

$$x \mapsto \begin{cases} \beta x & \text{if } x \in (0, \frac{d_m}{\beta-1} - \frac{d_m}{\beta}] \\ \beta x - d_k & \text{if } x \in (\frac{d_m}{\beta-1} - \frac{d_m - d_{k-1}}{\beta}, \frac{d_m}{\beta-1} - \frac{d_m - d_k}{\beta}], \text{ } k \in \llbracket 1, m \rrbracket. \end{cases}$$

The maps $T_{\beta, \Delta}$ and $L_{\beta, \tilde{\Delta}}$ are isomorphic where

$$\tilde{\Delta} := \{0, d_m - d_{m-1}, \dots, d_m - d_1, d_m\}.$$



The transformations $T_{\varphi, \Delta}$ and $L_{\varphi, \tilde{\Delta}}$ for $\Delta = \{0, 1, \frac{\varphi+1}{\varphi}, \varphi^2\}$.

β -Expansions and $(\beta_0 \cdots \beta_{p-1}, \Delta_\beta)$ -expansions

Define

$$f_\beta: \llbracket 0, \lceil \beta_0 \rceil - 1 \rrbracket \times \cdots \times \llbracket 0, \lceil \beta_{p-1} \rceil - 1 \rrbracket \rightarrow \Delta_\beta,$$

$$(a_0, \dots, a_{p-1}) \mapsto \sum_{j=0}^{p-1} a_j \beta_{j+1} \cdots \beta_{p-1}.$$

We get $\Delta_\beta = \text{im}(f_\beta)$ and

$$x_\beta = \frac{d_m}{\beta_0 \cdots \beta_{p-1} - 1}.$$

Lemma

For all $x \in [0, x_\beta)$, we have

$$\pi_2 \circ T_\beta^p \circ \delta_0(x) = \beta_{p-1} \cdots \beta_0 x - f_\beta(c)$$

where c is the lexicographically greatest p -tuple in $\llbracket 0, \lceil \beta_0 \rceil - 1 \rrbracket \times \cdots \times \llbracket 0, \lceil \beta_{p-1} \rceil - 1 \rrbracket$ such that $\frac{f_\beta(c)}{\beta_{p-1} \cdots \beta_0} \leq x$.

Proposition (Charlier, C. & Dajani)

We have

$$T_{\beta_0 \cdots \beta_{p-1}, \Delta_\beta}(x) \leq \pi_2 \circ T_\beta^p \circ \delta_0(x), \quad \forall x \in [0, x_\beta) \quad (1)$$

and

$$L_{\beta_0 \cdots \beta_{p-1}, \Delta_\beta}(x) \geq \pi_2 \circ L_\beta^p \circ \delta_0(x), \quad \forall x \in (0, x_\beta]. \quad (2)$$

Moreover, equality in (1) occurs if and only if equality in (2) do.

Lemma

The function f_β is non decreasing if and only if for all $j \in \llbracket 1, p-2 \rrbracket$,

$$\sum_{i=j}^{p-1} ([\beta_i] - 1) \beta_{i+1} \cdots \beta_{p-1} \leq \beta_j \cdots \beta_{p-1}.$$

Theorem (Charlier, C. & Dajani)

If the function f_β is non-decreasing then

$$T_{\beta_0 \cdots \beta_{p-1}, \Delta_\beta} = \pi_2 \circ T_\beta^p \circ \delta_0|_{[0, x_\beta]}$$

and

$$L_{\beta_0 \cdots \beta_{p-1}, \Delta_\beta} = \pi_2 \circ L_\beta^p \circ \delta_0|_{(0, x_\beta]}.$$

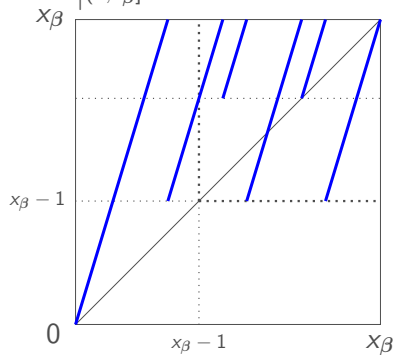
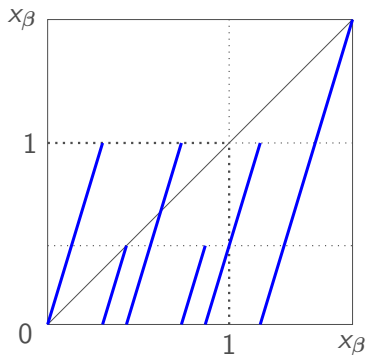
In particular, for all length-2 alternate bases equalities hold.

Let $\beta = (\beta_0, \beta_1) = (\frac{1+\sqrt{13}}{2}, \frac{5+\sqrt{13}}{6})$. Then

$$T_{\beta_0\beta_1,\Delta_\beta} = \pi_2 \circ T_\beta^2 \circ \delta_0|_{[0,x_\beta]}$$

and

$$L_{\beta_0\beta_1,\Delta_\beta} = \pi_2 \circ L_\beta^2 \circ \delta_0|_{(0,x_\beta]}.$$

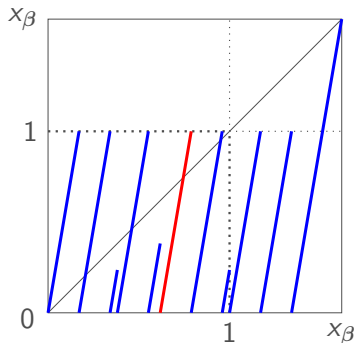
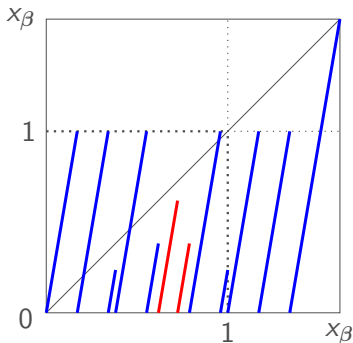


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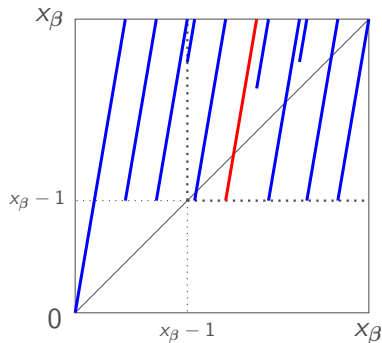
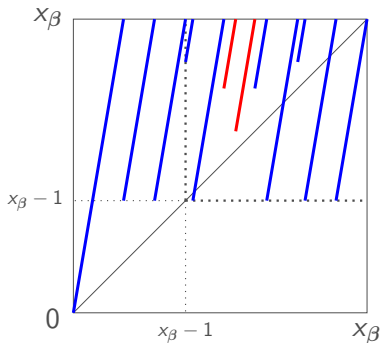


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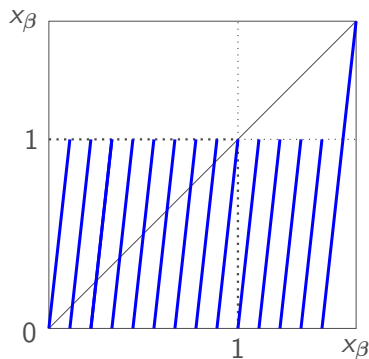


Let $\beta = (\frac{3}{2}, \frac{3}{2}, 4)$. We have $\Delta_\beta = \llbracket 0, 13 \rrbracket$. The map f_β is not non-decreasing:

$$f_\beta(0, 1, 3) = 7 > 6 = f_\beta(1, 0, 0).$$

However, we have

$$T_{9, \Delta_\beta} = \pi_2 \circ T_\beta^3 \circ \delta_0|_{[0, x_\beta]}.$$



Further work

- Numeration systems:

- ① Link between numeration systems without a dominant root and alternate bases ✓
- ② Convergence of the greatest words ✓
- ③ Link between Ostrowski numeration systems and alternate bases ✓
- ④ Hollander's conjecture : characterization of the linear numeration systems without a dominant root having a regular numeration language
- ⑤ Correction of Bertrand's Theorem?

- Normalization:

- ① In alternate bases (Prague 🙌)
- ② In numeration systems without a dominant root
- ③ In Ostrowski numeration systems

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