

Fonctions de complexité et complexité tout court

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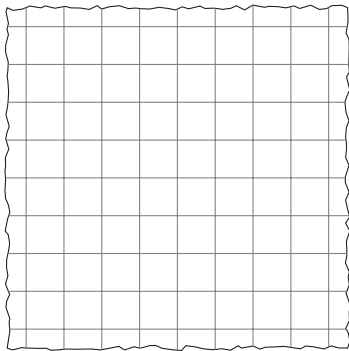
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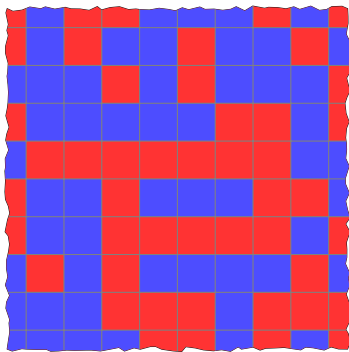


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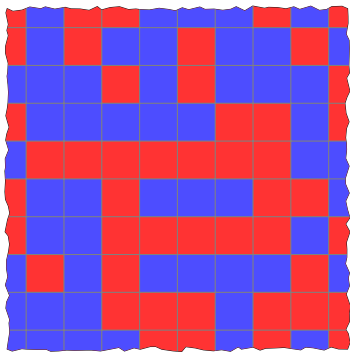
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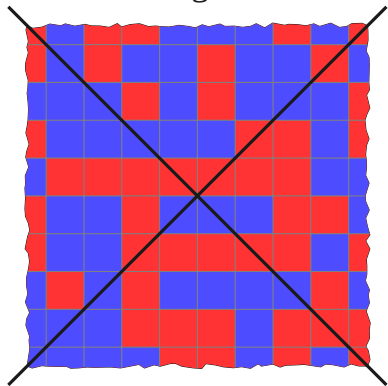
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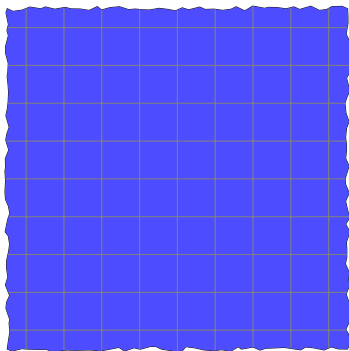
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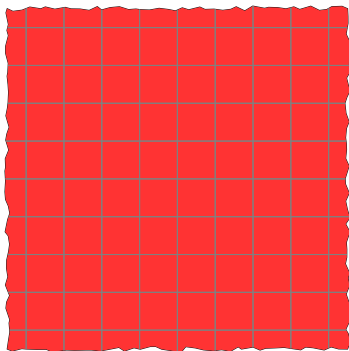
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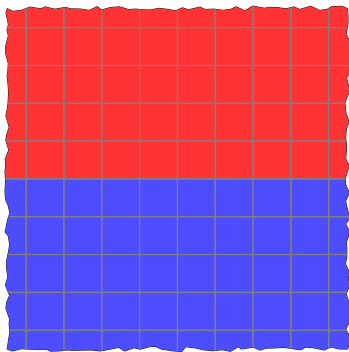
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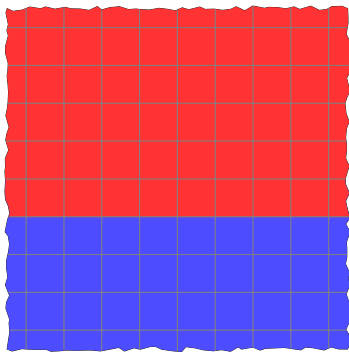
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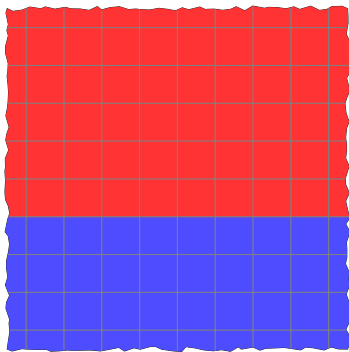
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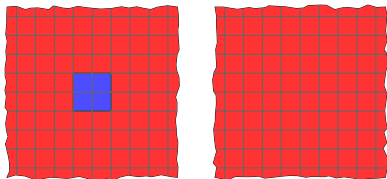
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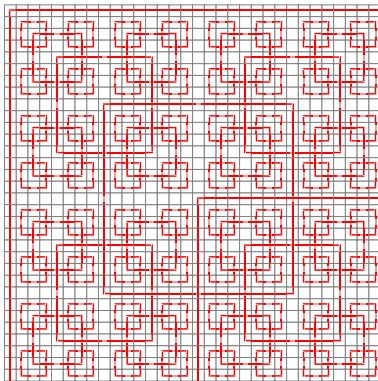
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And numerous others:

[Knuth 1968]

[Anderaa & Lewis 1974]

[Kari 1996]

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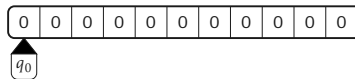
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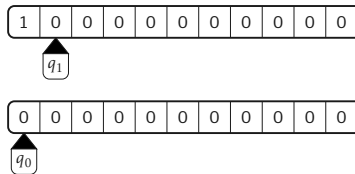
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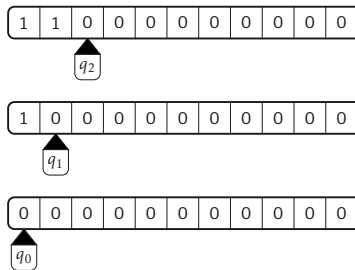
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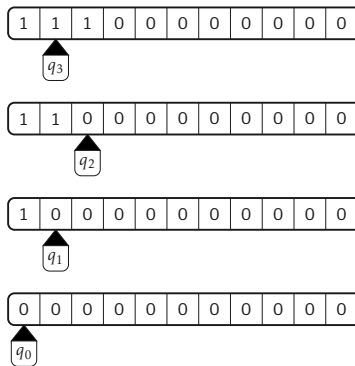
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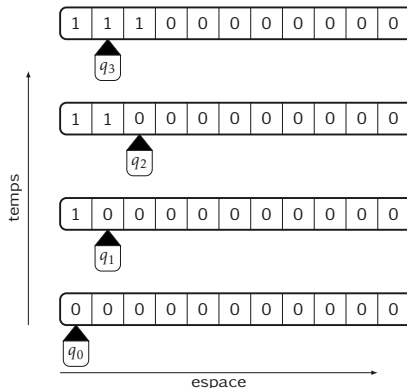
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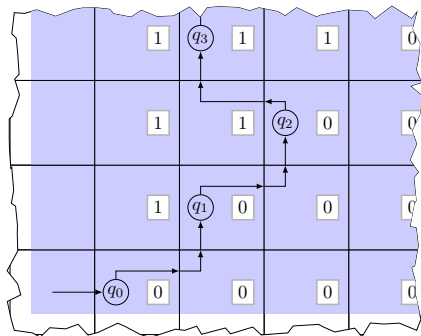
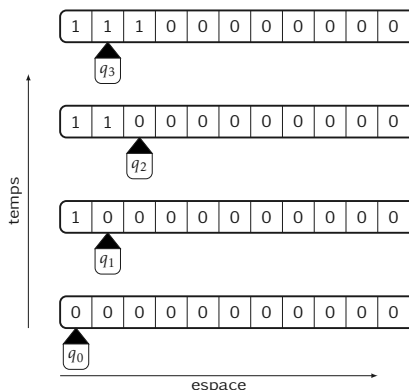
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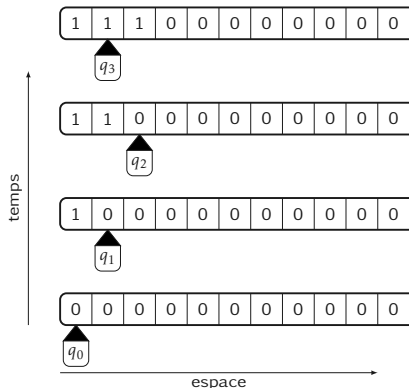
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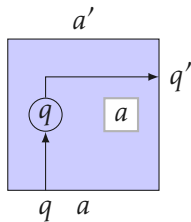


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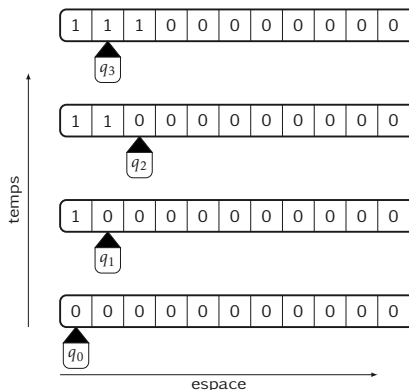


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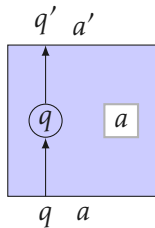


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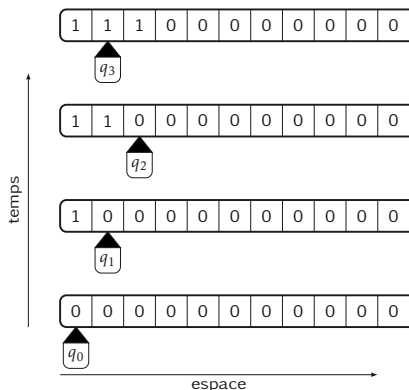


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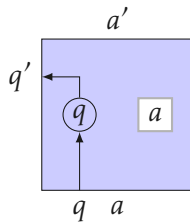


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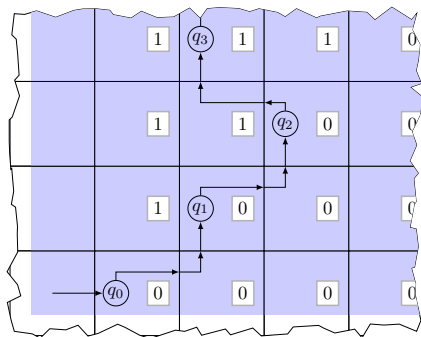
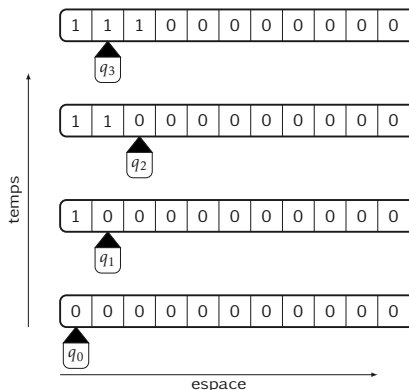


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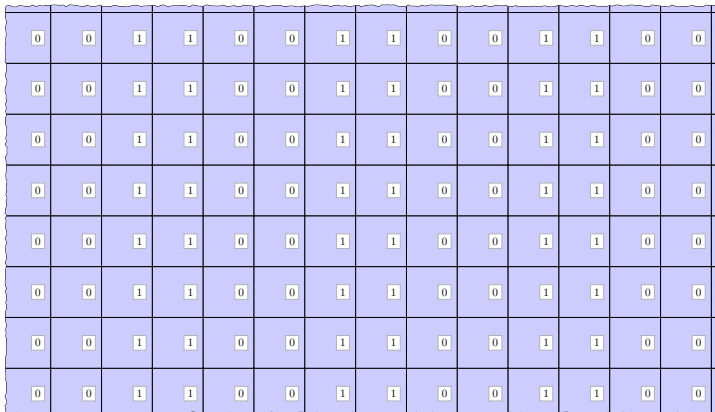
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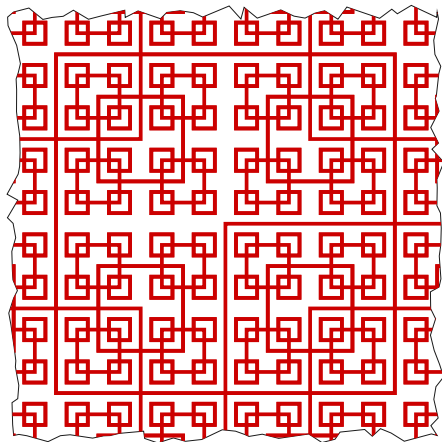
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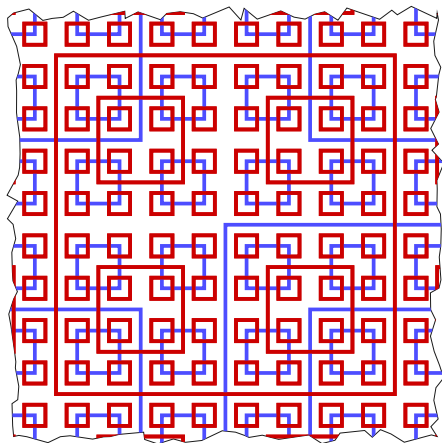
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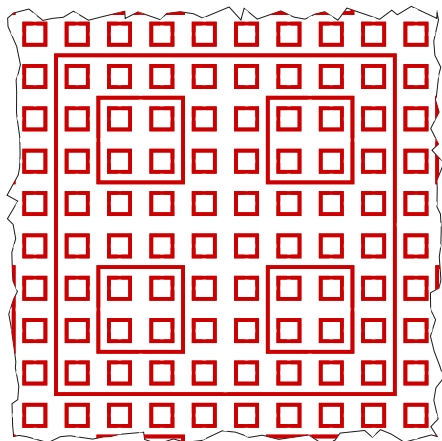
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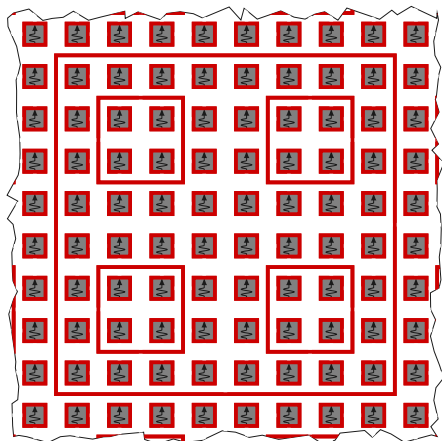
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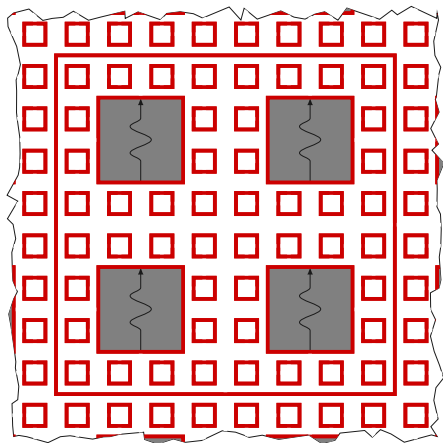
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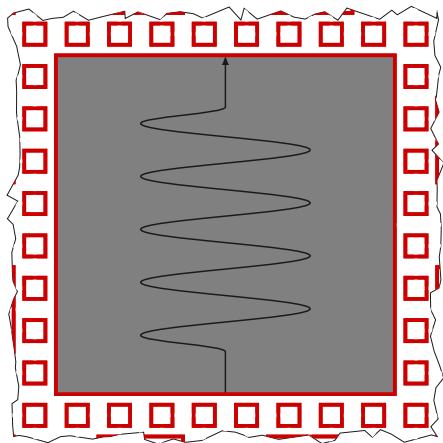
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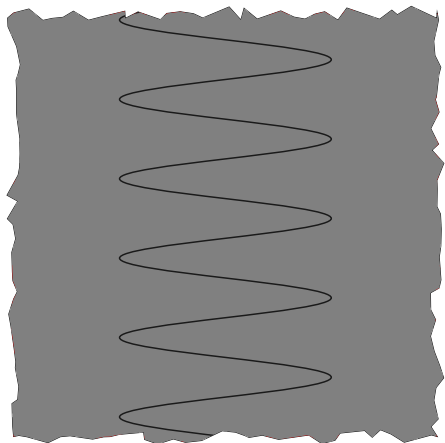
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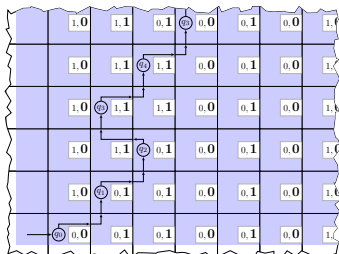
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SFTs without any computable configuration

There exists a TM M that **does not halt** only on **non computable oracles**:



The quarter plane may be tiled iff M does not halt on x .

Theorem [Hanf-Myers 1974] **There exist SFTs containing only non computable points.**

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[Hochman & Meyerovitch 2010] **Entropies** of SFTs correspond to the **upper semi-computable** real numbers.

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The functions counting the number of periodic points are exactly the functions of **#P**.

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Turing degrees

- $x \leq_T y$ if there exists a **TM that outputs x with input y** .
- $x \equiv_T y$ if $x \leq_T y$ and $x \geq_T y$.
- A **Turing degree** is an equivalence class for \equiv_T . The degree of x is noted $\text{deg}_T x$.

The simplest degree is **0**: the degree of computable objects.

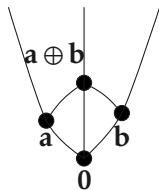
- Turing degree of a configuration.
- **Turing degree spectrum** of a subshift:

$$\mathbf{Sp}(X) = \{\text{deg}_T x \mid x \in X\}$$

Turing degrees

There exists a degree $\mathbf{a} \oplus \mathbf{b}$ which is the smallest above both \mathbf{a} and \mathbf{b} .

- Every Turing degree contains exactly \aleph_0 elements.
- There are 2^{\aleph_0} Turing degrees.
- There are at most \aleph_0 degrees below any degree.
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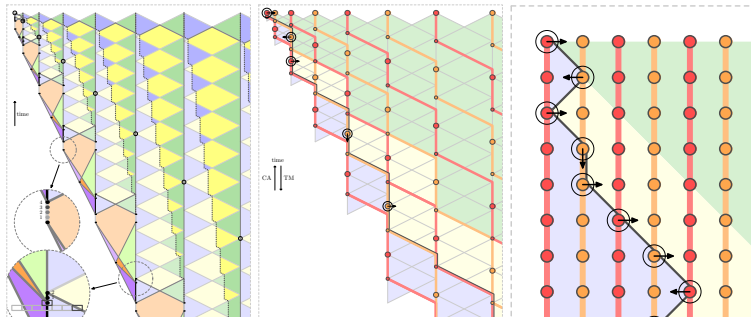
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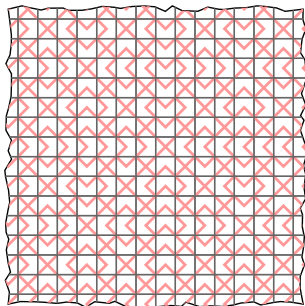
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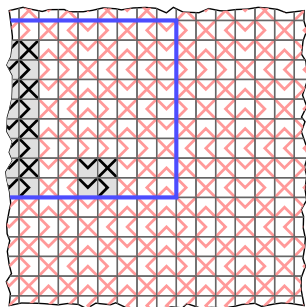
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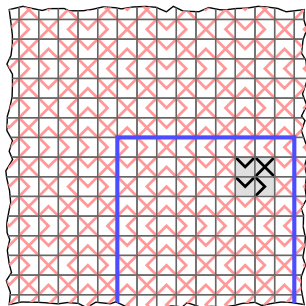
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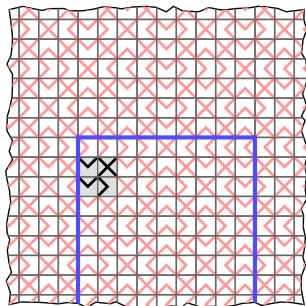
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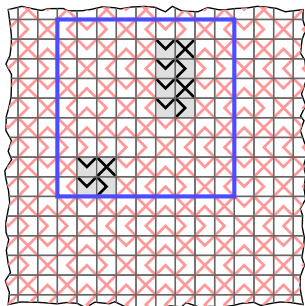
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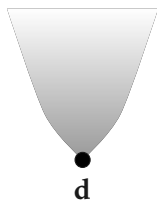
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Minimality and Turing degrees

Theorem Let X be a non finite **minimal subshift**, then $\mathbf{Sp}(X)$ contains the **cone** of degrees **above any of its points**.



Cone above d :

$$C_d = \{d' \mid d' \geq_T d\}$$

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Spectra of minimal SFTs

Theorem Let X be a subshift, and $x \in X$ be an **aperiodic recurrent** point, then $\mathbf{Sp}(X)$ contains $\mathcal{C}_{\deg_T x}$.

Proof. We build two **computable** functions:

- $enc : A \times \{0, 1\}^{\mathbb{N}} \rightarrow A$ $\deg_T(enc(x, y)) \leq_T \deg_T x \oplus y$
- $dec : A \rightarrow \{0, 1\}^{\mathbb{N}}$ $\deg_T(dec(x)) \leq_T \deg_T x$

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So we have this inequality:

$$\deg_T(y) \leq_T \deg_T(enc(x, y)) \leq_T \deg_T(\sup(x, y))$$

In particular if we **choose y such that $\deg_T(y) \geq \deg_T(x)$** , then

$$\deg_T(enc(x, y)) = \deg_T(y)$$

Idea of the proof : in dimension 1

- $enc : A \times \{0, 1\}^{\mathbb{N}} \rightarrow A$
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By induction: from a word c_i construct c_{i+1} .

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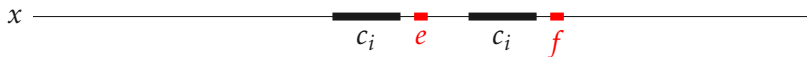
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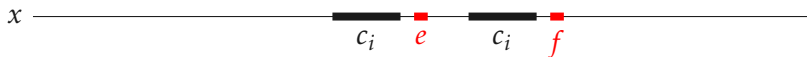
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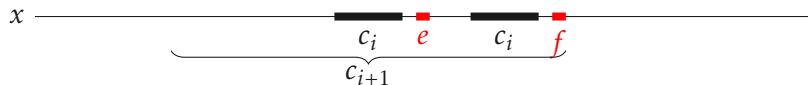
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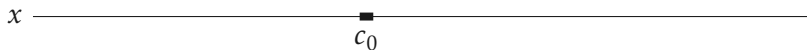


c_{i+1} is constructed according to y_i :

- if $y_i = 0$, take $e < f$,
- if $y_i = 1$, take $e > f$.

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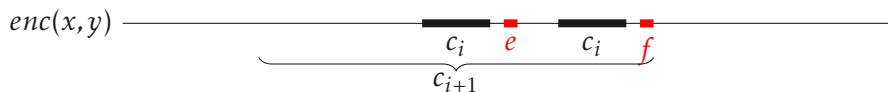
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Start with $c_0 = x_0$, and look for the first differing letters e, f .

- if $e > f$ then $y_i = 1$
- if $e < f$ then $y_i = 0$

We now know c_1 and can look for c_2 and so on...



Minimal subshifts and spectra 1

A **Sturmian subshift** is a subshift on $\{0, 1\}$ corresponding to a density $\alpha \in [0, 1]$:

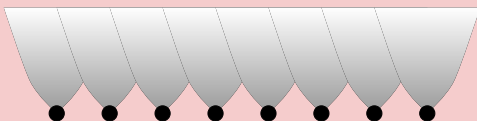
$$S_\alpha = \overline{\{(\lfloor (n+1)\alpha \rfloor - \lfloor n\alpha \rfloor)_{n \in \mathbb{Z}}\}}$$

Every word w of $\mathcal{L}(X)$ of length n has either $\lfloor n\alpha \rfloor$ or $\lfloor n\alpha \rfloor + 1$ ones.

Theorem A Sturmian subshift's spectrum is exactly one cone.

Minimal subshifts and spectra 2

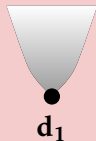
Theorem [Hochman-V.] There exists minimal subshifts with spectrum containing more than one cone.



Theorem [McCarthy] A minimal subshift's spectrum is exactly the cone of Turing degrees above the enumeration degree of its colanguage.

Minimal subsystems and spectra

Theorem There exists a subshift X with this spectrum:



$$\mathbf{d}_1 \leq 0'$$

$$\mathbf{d}_2 > 0$$

Proof.

$f : \mathbb{N} \rightarrow \mathbb{N}$ of degree \mathbf{d}_2

S_α with α of degree \mathbf{d}_1

Computable sequence of rationals $r_n \rightarrow \alpha$

[Schoenfield]

$$z = \cdots 2w_7 2w_5 2w_3 2w_1 2w_2 2w_4 2w_6 2 \cdots$$

where w_i is the first word of length $f(i)$ of the Sturmian S_{r_i} .

z is of degree \mathbf{d}_2 and we take

$$X = \overline{\{\sigma^i(z) \mid i \in \mathbb{Z}\}} = S_\alpha \cup \{\sigma^i(z) \mid i \in \mathbb{Z}\}$$

Complexity function

Dimension 1 from now on.

Most results do not translate to higher dimensions.

Definition The **complexity function**:

$$c_n(X)$$

counts the **number of patterns of size n** .

Slowest

Fastest



Constant Linear

Exponential

Linear complexity

The trivial cases

- $c_n(X) < n + 1 \Rightarrow$ Only periodic configurations

...123123123123123...

- $c_n(X) = n + k$ and eventually periodic on both sides

...000000100000000...

$$\mathbf{Sp}(X) = \mathbf{0}$$

Linear complexity

Sturmian subshifts

- Low complexity : $c_n(X) = n + 1$
- No periodic points
- Only aperiodic recurrent points

...101001001010010100100101010...

$\underbrace{\hspace{10em}}_w \quad \underbrace{\hspace{10em}}_{w'}$

- If w, w' have the same length then $||w|_1 - |w'|_1| \leq 1$.
- Density of 1s tends to $\{\alpha\}$.

$$\mathbf{Sp}(X) = \mathcal{C}_{\deg_T \alpha}$$

Linear complexity

Theorem If $c_n(X) \sim tn$ then, $\mathbf{Sp}(X)$ contains **at most k isolated degrees and k cones with $k + k' \leq t$.**

Lemma If $c_n X \sim tn$ then X contains **at most t non recurrent aperiodic configurations.**

at most t isolated degrees.

Lemma If $c_n X \sim tn$ and X contains **k non recurrent aperiodic configurations** then X contains **at most $t - k$ recurrent aperiodic configurations** with different language.

$\{\mathcal{L}(x) \mid x \text{ aperiodic recurrent}\}$

at most $t - k$ cones.
not directly though...

Linear complexity

Aperiodic recurrent configurations

Lemma If x is aperiodic recurrent with linear complexity, then

$$x \geq_T \mathcal{L}(x)$$

Theorem [Cassaigne 1995] If x has linear growth, then $c_{n+1}(x) - c_n(x)$ is bounded by a constant.

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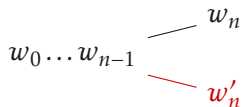
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Some words can be followed by different letters:



There are exactly M **choices** for all words of length n .

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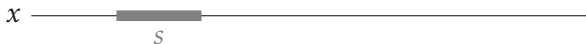
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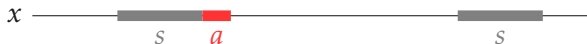
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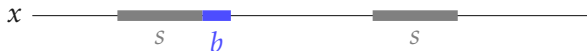
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Linear complexity

Last ingredient:

Lemma If x is aperiodic recurrent, there exists y such that

$$\mathcal{L}(x) = \mathcal{L}(y) \text{ and } \deg_T y = \deg_T \mathcal{L}(x)$$

Theorem If $c_n(X) \sim tn$ then, $\mathbf{Sp}(X)$ contains **at most k isolated degrees and k cones with $k + k' \leq t$.**

Linear complexity

Theorem There exist linear complexity subshifts with k cones and k' isolated degrees for any k, k' .

- k cones: union of Sturmians
- k' isolated degrees:

$$\cdots \text{---} s_0 \underbrace{\text{---} \cdots \text{---}}_{f(0)} s_1 \underbrace{\text{---} \cdots \text{---}}_{f(1)} s_2 \underbrace{\text{---} \cdots \text{---}}_{f(2)} s_3 \text{---} \cdots$$

- ▶ $s \in \{0, 1\}^{\mathbb{N}}$
- ▶ f computable
- ▶ same degree as s
- ▶ linear growth

Exponential complexity: positive entropy

Exponential complexity (=positive entropy):

$$c_n(X) \sim a^n$$

Theorem If $h(X) > 0$, then $\mathbf{Sp}(X)$ contains a cone.

Theorem Any spectrum containing a cone can be realized by a subshift with entropy in this cone.

The inbetweeners

Slowest

Fastest



- **Constant** Only 0.
- **Linear** Finite number of cones and isolated degrees.
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- **Superlinear ?**

Slow superlinear complexity

Theorem For any countable set of degrees, $S = \{\mathbf{d}_1, \mathbf{d}_2, \dots\}$ there exists subshifts with **arbitrarily slow superlinear complexity** and **spectrum** $\bigcup \mathcal{C}_{\mathbf{d}_i}$.

Proof idea.

Take some increasing unbounded f .

Take $(\alpha_k)_{k \in \mathbb{N}}$ and $(m_k)_{k \in \mathbb{N}}$ such that

$$\alpha_k \rightarrow \alpha_0 \quad \text{and} \quad \mathcal{L}_{m_k}(S_{\alpha_k}) = \mathcal{L}_{m_k}(S_{\alpha_0}) \quad \text{and} \quad m_{f(n)/2} > n$$

Define

$$X = \bigcup_k S_{\alpha_k} \quad \text{its spectrum is} \quad \mathbf{Sp}(X) = \bigcup \mathbf{d} \in S\mathcal{C}_{\mathbf{d}}$$

it is **closed** since $\alpha_k \rightarrow \alpha_0$, and hence a subshift.

$$c_n X \text{ is bounded by } nf(n).$$



Slow superlinear complexity

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Proof idea.

For each degree $\mathbf{d}_i \in S$ include s of degree \mathbf{d}_i :

$$\dots 0000.10^{2^1} 10^{2^2} 10^{2^3} 1 \dots 10^{2^{m_i}} 10^{2^{m_i}+1+s_1} 10^{2^{m_i}+2+s_2} 1 \dots$$

Limit points:

- $\dots 000010000 \dots$
- $\dots 000000000 \dots$
- $\dots 000010^{2^1} 1 \dots 10^{2^k} 1 \dots$



The inbetweeners

Slowest

Fastest



- **Constant** Only 0 .
- **Linear** Finite number of cones and isolated degrees.
- **Exponential** Contains a cone.
- **Superlinear** ~ Anything is possible. Tradeoff
 - ▶ Countable unions, any superlinear growth
 - ▶ Unions, any superlinear computable growth
- **Subexponential** ~ Anything is possible
- **The rest** ~ Anything is possible

