# Recursive sequences and numeration 

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Pisot-Vijayaraghavan number An algebraic integer is a Pisot number if its algebraic conjugates $\lambda$ (except itself) satisfy

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And the study of statistical properties of digits can be performed via their associated dynamical systems

- Finite expansions and periodic expansions
- Average carry propagation for +1
- Tilings and dynamical systems


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N=\sum_{i=0}^{k} \varepsilon_{i} F_{i}, \quad \varepsilon_{i} \in\{0,1\}
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How does the carry propagate with respect to the successor function $/+1$ ?

## $11 \nexists \sim 001$

$N=F_{1}+F_{3}+F_{6}+F_{8}$
010100101
$+1$
$=000010101$
$\sim N+1$

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Average carry propagation $=\frac{\tau}{\tau-1} \simeq 2.618$

## Base $p$

The successor map changes

- the least digit of every number
- plus another one every $p$ numbers
- plus again another one every $p^{2}$ numbers, and so on...

The average carry propagation of the successor function, computed over the first $N$ integers, tends to

$$
1+\frac{1}{p}+\frac{1}{p^{2}}+\frac{1}{p^{3}}+\cdots=\frac{p}{p-1}
$$

when $N$ tends to infinity.

## When dynamical systems enter into play

Let $L$ be the set of representations of the integers
The average carry propagation $C P_{L}$ is the limit, if it exists, of the mean of the carry propagation at the first $N$ words of $L$

$$
\begin{gathered}
\mathrm{CP}_{L}=\lim _{N \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{N} \sum_{n=0}^{N-1} \mathrm{cp}_{L}(n) \\
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\end{gathered}
$$

This is an ergodic sum!

## Ergodic theorem

We are given a dynamical system $(X, T, \mathcal{B}, \mu)$ with $T: X \rightarrow X$

- Average time values: one particle over the long term
- Average space values: all particles at a particular instant Ergodicity

$$
\begin{gathered}
\mu(B)=\mu\left(T^{-1} B\right) \quad T \text {-invariance } \\
T^{-1} B=B \Longrightarrow \mu(B)=0 \text { or } 1 \text { ergodicity }
\end{gathered}
$$

Ergodic theorem space mean= average mean

$$
\text { If } f \in L_{1}(\mu), \quad \lim _{N} \frac{1}{N} \sum_{0 \leq n<N} f\left(T^{n} x\right)=\int f d \mu \quad \text { a.e. } x
$$

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| ---: | ---: | ---: |
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## Base $p$

- The completion $\mathcal{K}_{p}$ is the ring $\mathbb{Z}_{p}$ of the $p$-adic integers.
- It is a topological group, and the odometer $\tau_{p}$ is just addition by one, and thus a group rotation

$$
\leadsto \mathrm{CP}_{L}=\lim _{N \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=0}^{N-1} \tau_{p}^{i}(0)=\frac{p}{p-1}
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## Exponential numeration scale

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Theorem [Barat-Grabner] If $G$ is exponential, then $\left(\mathcal{K}_{G}, \tau_{G}\right)$ is uniquely ergodic

Theorem [B.-Frougny-Rigo-Sakarovitch]
Let $G$ be an exponential numeration. Then the average carry propagation exists. If $L_{G}$ is prefix closed and right-extensible, then

$$
\mathrm{CP}_{G}=\frac{\gamma}{\gamma-1}
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## Numeration dynamics

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\begin{gathered}
x_{1}=T(x)=10 x-[10 x]=10 x-a_{1} \\
x=\frac{a_{1}}{10}+\frac{x_{1}}{10} \\
x_{2}=T\left(x_{1}\right)=T^{2}(x) \quad a_{2}=\lfloor 10 T(x)\rfloor \\
x=\frac{a_{1}}{10}+\frac{a_{2}}{10^{2}}+\frac{x_{2}}{10^{2}}=\sum_{i=1}^{\infty} a_{i} 10^{-i}
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The map $T$ produces the digits

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From numeration dynamics to symbolic dynamics

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x=\frac{1}{a_{1}+x_{1}}=\frac{1}{a_{1}+\frac{1}{a_{2}+\frac{1}{a_{3}+\frac{1}{a_{4}+\cdots}}}}
$$

## $\beta$-numeration [Rényi'57, Parry'60]

Let $\beta>1$. We consider the transformation

$$
T_{\beta}(x):[0,1] \rightarrow[0,1], x \mapsto \beta x-\lfloor\beta x\rfloor
$$

Let $\mathcal{A}_{\beta}:=\{0,1, \cdots,\lceil\beta\rceil-1\}$
Every real number $x \in[0,1]$ has an expansion of the form

$$
x=\sum_{i \geq 1} u_{i} \beta^{-i}
$$

with $u_{i}=\left\lfloor\beta T_{\beta}^{i-1}(x)\right\rfloor \in \mathcal{A}_{\beta}, \quad \forall i \geq 1$

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- The set of $\beta$-expansions of real numbers in $[0,1)$ is the set of sequences $\left(u_{n}\right)_{n \geq 1}$ with values in $\mathcal{A}_{\beta}$ such that

$$
\forall k \geq 1,\left(u_{n}\right)_{n \geq k}<_{\operatorname{lex}} d_{\beta}^{*}(1)
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- The closure of this set is called the $\beta$-shift

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$\beta$-shift $=$ symbolic dynamical systems made of (bi-infinite) sequences of digits

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The language of admissible words has a simple description as regular/sofic language

## The finiteness property

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A sufficient condition [Frougny-Solomyak'92] Let $\beta$ be the positive root of

$$
X^{m}-a_{1} X^{m-1}-\cdots-a_{m} \text { where } a_{1} \geq a_{2} \geq a_{m} \cdots>0
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Then $\beta$ is a Pisot number and $\beta$ satisfies the (F) property

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## Toward Rauzy fractals

- Under which conditions is it possible to give a geometric representation of the $\beta$-shift as a map acting on a compact group?
- How to characterize real numbers in $[0,1]$ that have a purely periodic expansion?
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We thus introduce

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T_{b}^{\prime}: x \mapsto 10 \cdot x \bmod b \\
T_{b}^{\prime}(a) \sim \text { numerator of } T(a / b)
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$$

We conclude by noticing that $T_{b}^{\prime}$ is onto and thus one-to-one since we work on a finite set

## Purely periodic $\beta$-expansions

Beta-numeration Let $\beta>1$. We expand real numbers $x \in[0,1]$ as

$$
x=\sum_{i \geq 1} u_{i} \beta^{-i}, \quad u_{i} \in\{0, \ldots,\lceil\beta\rceil-1\}, \forall i \geq 1
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A Lagrange theorem Theorem [K. Schmidt, A. Bertrand] If $\beta$ is a Pisot number, then $x$ has an eventually periodic expansion iff $x \in \mathbb{Q}(\beta)$

A Galois theorem Theorem[Ito-Sano-Hui, B.-Siegel]
If $\beta$ is a Pisot number, then $x$ has a purely periodic expansion iff $\left(x, x^{\prime}\right) \in \widetilde{\mathcal{R}_{\beta}}$.


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Meaning? Convergence?

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Take the conjugates of $\beta$ (Pisot) and the prime ideals in the integer ring $\mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{Q}(\beta)}$ of $\mathbb{Q}(\beta)$ that contain $\beta$

$$
\widetilde{\mathcal{R}_{\beta}} \subset \mathbb{R}^{d-1} \times \prod_{p \mid N(\beta)} \mathbb{Q}_{p}^{d_{p}} \times \mathbb{R}
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Let

$$
\mathcal{R}=\left\{\sum_{i \geq 0} \varepsilon_{i} \alpha^{i} ; \forall i, \varepsilon_{i} \in\{0,1\}, \varepsilon_{i} \varepsilon_{i+1} \varepsilon_{i+2}=0\right\}
$$

## Purely periodic expansions of rational numbers

We assume that $\beta$ is a Pisot unit
$\gamma(\beta)=\sup \{0<c<1$, every rational element in $[0, c[$ has a purely perio

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Theorem [Akiyama] If $\beta$ is a Pisot unit satisfying the finiteness property, then $\gamma(\beta)>0$

Theorem [Adamczewski-Frougny-Siegel-Steiner] The quantity $\gamma(\beta)$ is irrational when $\beta$ is a cubic Pisot unit (not totally real case)

## And now

- Carry propagation $\sim$ Interest of dynamical systems
- Finiteness property $\sim$ Decision problems, transcendence
- Canonical Number Systems, Shift Radix Systems

$$
\sum_{n} M^{n} u_{n}
$$

