

# $\beta$ -expansions and multiple tilings

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# Introduction

Let  $\beta > 1$  and  $A = \{a_0, \dots, a_m\}$  a set of real numbers with  $a_0 < a_1 < \dots < a_m$ . Expressions of the form

$$x = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{b_n}{\beta^n},$$

with  $b_n \in A$  for all  $n \geq 1$ , are called  $\beta$ -expansions with arbitrary digits.

This gives numbers in the interval  $\left[\frac{a_0}{\beta-1}, \frac{a_m}{\beta-1}\right]$ .

$\beta$  is called the base,  $A$  is the digit set and elements of  $A$  are called digits.

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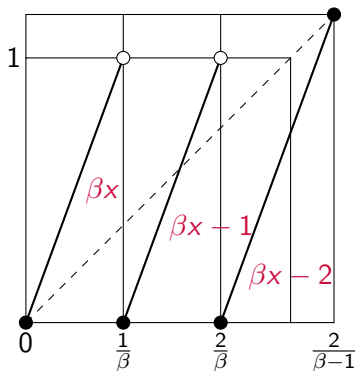
For each  $\beta > 1$  and allowable digit set  $A = \{a_0, \dots, a_m\}$  there exist transformations that generate  $\beta$ -expansions with digits in  $A$  by iteration.

## Example: Classic $\beta$ -expansions

Consider a non-integer  $\beta > 1$  and digit set  $A = \{0, 1, \dots, \lfloor \beta \rfloor\}$ . This gives 'classic'  $\beta$ -expansions for all  $x \in \left[0, \frac{\lfloor \beta \rfloor}{\beta - 1}\right]$ . A transformation that generates these is

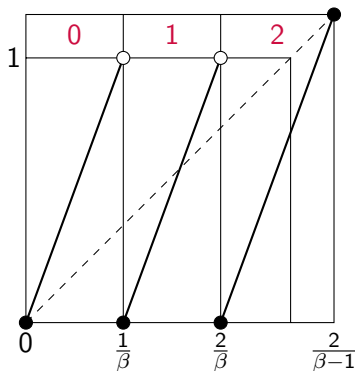
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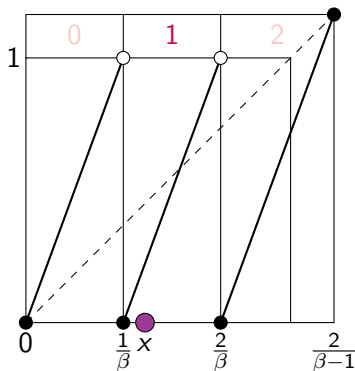
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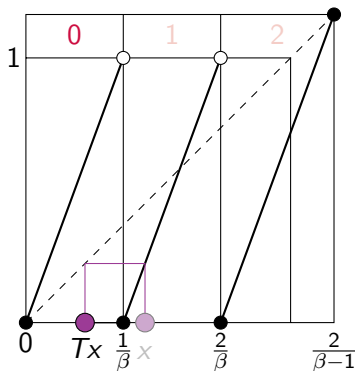


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If  $Tx = \beta x - b_1(x)$ , then  $x = \frac{b_1}{\beta} + \frac{T x}{\beta}$ . Iterating this, we get after  $n$  steps,

$$x = \frac{b_1}{\beta} + \frac{b_2}{\beta^2} + \frac{T^2 x}{\beta^2} = \dots = \frac{b_1}{\beta} + \frac{b_2}{\beta^2} + \dots + \frac{b_n}{\beta^n} + \frac{T^n x}{\beta^n}.$$

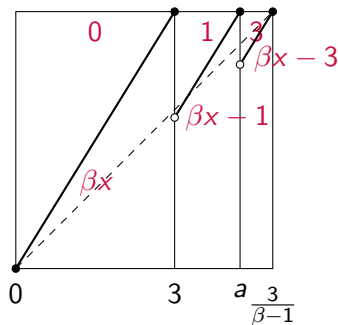
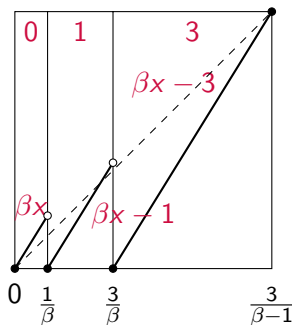
Since  $T^n x \in [0, \frac{\lfloor \beta \rfloor}{\beta-1})$  for all  $n$ , this converges and gives

$$x = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{b_n}{\beta^n}.$$



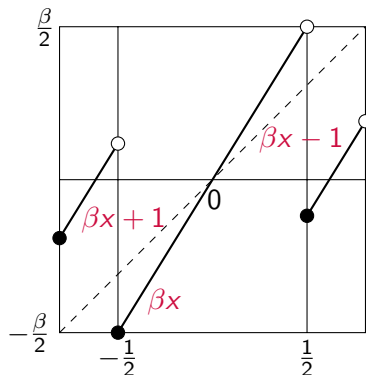
# Other transformations: greedy and lazy

Take  $\beta$  to be the golden mean and  $A = \{0, 1, 3\}$ . These are the **greedy** and **lazy  $\beta$ -transformations with digits in  $A$** . [Dajani & K., 2007]



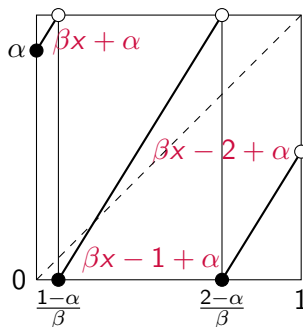
# Other transformations: the minimal weight transformation

Take  $\beta$  to be the golden mean and  $A = \{-1, 0, 1\}$ . This is a **minimal weight transformation**, i.e. if an  $x$  has a finite  $\beta$ -expansion, then the expansion generated by this transformation has the highest number of 0's. [Frougny & Steiner, 2009]



## Other transformations: the linear mod 1 transformation

Take  $\beta > 1$  and  $0 \leq \alpha < 1$ . Suppose  $n < \beta + \alpha \leq n + 1$ . The **linear mod 1 transformation** below ( $Tx = \beta x + \alpha \pmod{1}$ ) gives  $\beta$ -expansions with digits in  $\{j - \alpha : 0 \leq j \leq n\}$ .



# The class of transformations

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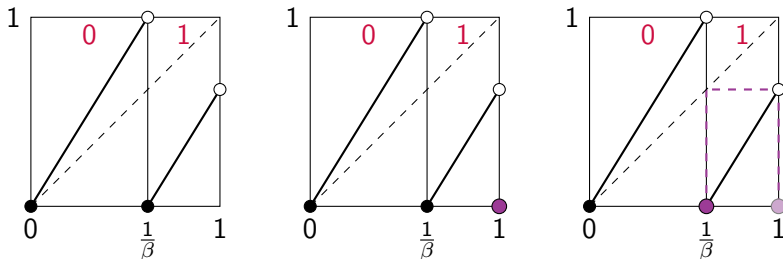
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# Admissible sequences: The golden mean

We can characterise the digit sequences generated by a transformation. For the classic greedy  $\beta$ -transformation with  $\beta$  the golden mean, we have the following.



0 can be followed by 0 or 1, but 1 is always followed by 0. This is given by the orbit of 1. Hence,  $T$  produces precisely the sequences from the set  $\{u_1 u_2 \cdots \mid u_n u_{n+1} \neq 11, n \geq 1\}$ .

# The set of admissible sequences

Given a transformation  $T$  for a  $\beta > 1$  and digit set  $A$ , we call a sequence  $u_1 u_2 \cdots \in A^{\mathbb{N}}$  **admissible** for  $T$  if there is an  $x \in X$  such that  $u_1 u_2 \cdots = b(x)$ .

A two-sided sequence  $\cdots u_{-1} u_0 u_1 \cdots$  is called **admissible** if for each  $n \in \mathbb{Z}$  there is an  $x \in X$ , such that  $u_n u_{n+1} \cdots = b(x)$ .

**Notation:**  $\mathcal{S}$  is the set of two sided admissible sequences.



# Relation between expansions and sequences

To a  $\beta$ -transformation on an interval, there corresponds a shift-transformation on a set of digit sequences.

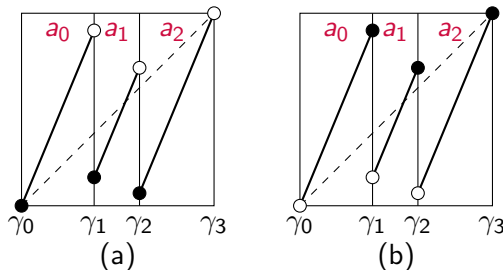
$$x \stackrel{T}{=} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{b_n}{\beta^n} \Rightarrow b(x) = b_1 b_2 \cdots$$

$$Tx = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{b_{n+1}}{\beta^n} \Rightarrow b(Tx) = b_2 b_3 \cdots$$

$T$  is not invertible: after applying  $T$  to  $x$  we 'lose' the first digit  $b_1$ .

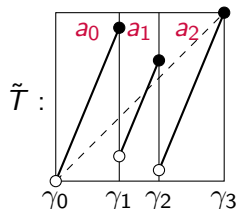
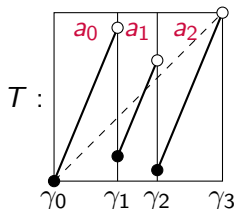
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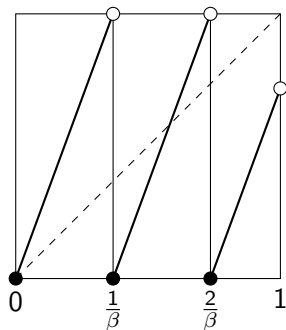
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A sequence  $u_1 u_2 \cdots \in \{a_0, \dots, a_m\}^{\mathbb{N}}$  is generated by  $T$  iff for each  $n \geq 1$ , if  $u_n = a_j$ , then

$$b(\gamma_j) \preceq u_n u_{n+1} \cdots \prec \tilde{b}(\gamma_{j+1}),$$

where  $\preceq$  denotes the lexicographical ordering.

# The classic admissible sequences



In the case of the classic greedy  $\beta$ -transformation, only the orbit of 1 is important. This gives the Parry condition.

## Theorem (Parry, 1960)

Let  $\tilde{b}(1)$  be the expansion of 1 generated by  $T$ . Then a sequence  $u_1 u_2 \cdots \in \{0, 1, \dots, \lfloor \beta \rfloor\}^{\mathbb{N}}$  is generated by  $T$  iff for each  $n \geq 1$ ,

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(Rauzy (1982), Thurston (1989), Berthé and Siegel (2005))



## Example: the golden mean

Take  $\beta > 1$  such that  $\beta^2 - \beta - 1 = 0$ . Then  $\frac{1}{\beta} = \beta - 1$ . So,  $\beta$  is an algebraic unit. Then

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# An invariant measure for $T$

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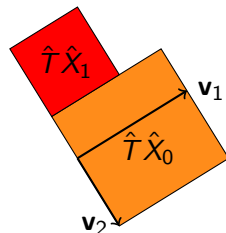
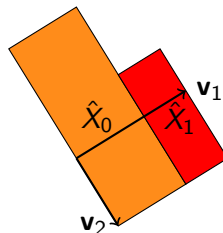
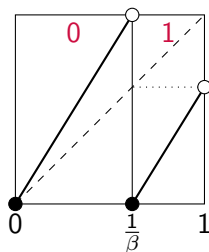
Define the measure  $\mu$  on  $(X, \mathcal{L})$  by  $\mu(E) = (\lambda^d \circ \pi^{-1})(E)$  for each  $E \in \mathcal{L}$ . Then  $\mu$  is invariant for  $T$ .

**Note:** Since  $\hat{T}$  is only invertible a.e. we need to remove the right sets of measure zero everywhere.

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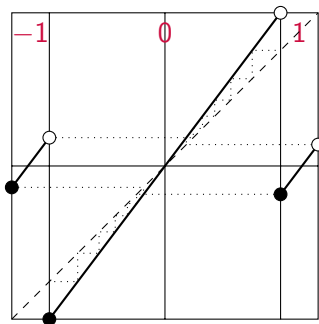
Take  $\beta$  to be the golden mean and  $T$  the classic greedy  $\beta$ -transformation, then  $A = \{0, 1\}$ . Recall that

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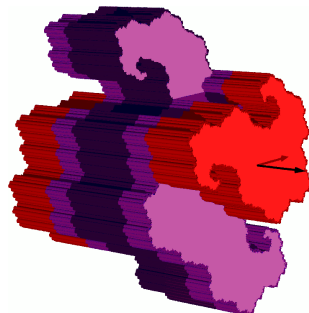
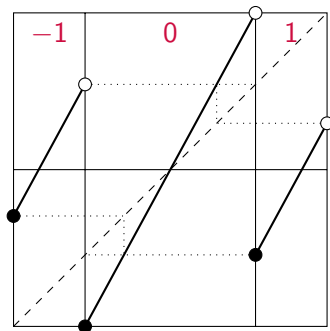
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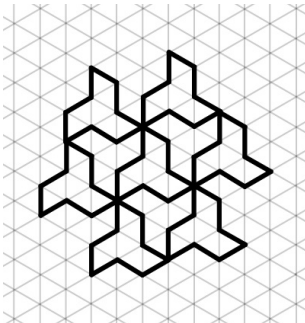
Start with a finite set of **prototiles** in  $H$ , compact sets that are the closure of their interior.  $\mathcal{D} = \{\mathcal{D}_1, \dots, \mathcal{D}_k\}$ .

A **tile** is a translation of a prototile.  $\mathcal{T}_x = \mathcal{D}_i + \mathbf{v}_x$  for some vector  $\mathbf{v}_x \in H$ .

Let  $M \geq 1$ . A **multiple tiling of degree  $M$**  of  $H$  is a covering of  $H$  such that almost all elements are in exactly  $M$  different tiles.

A **tiling** of  $H$  is a multiple tiling of degree 1.

# Tilings

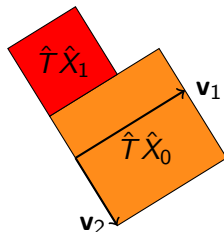
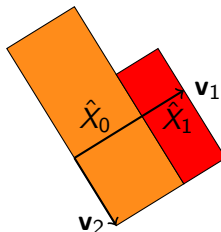
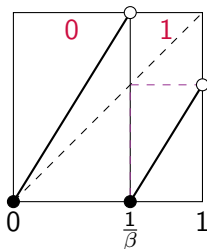


# A finite set of prototiles

For each  $x \in X$ , let  $\mathcal{D}_x = \{\phi(w) \mid w \cdot b(x) \in \mathcal{S}\}$ . Then each set  $\mathcal{D}_x$  is compact and

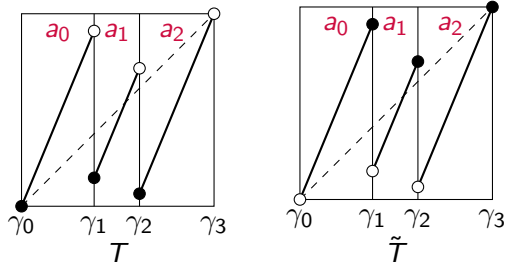
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We will construct a multiple tiling of  $H$  with  $\{\mathcal{D}_x \mid x \in \mathbb{Z}[\beta] \cap X\}$  as the set of prototiles. Therefore, we would like to have only finitely many different sets  $\mathcal{D}_x$ .



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Recall the transformation  $\tilde{T}$ :



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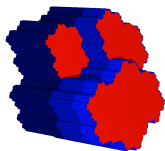
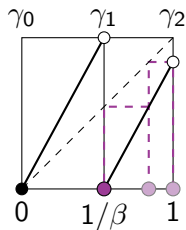
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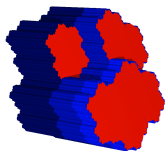
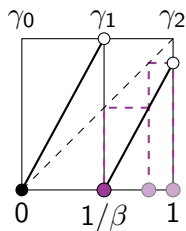
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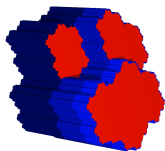
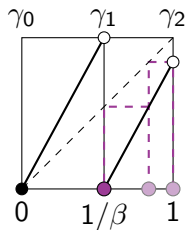
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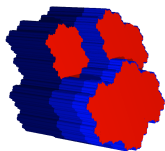
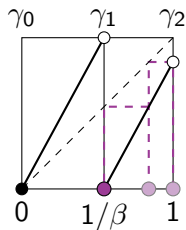
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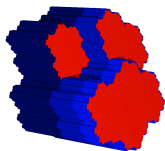
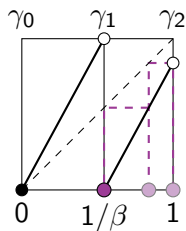
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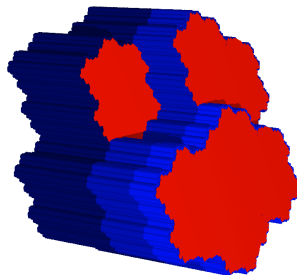
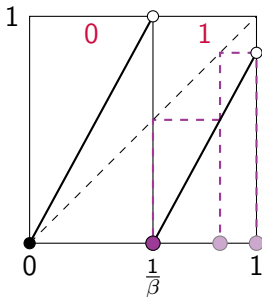
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## Pisot conjecture (Akiyama, 2002 and Sidorov, 2003)

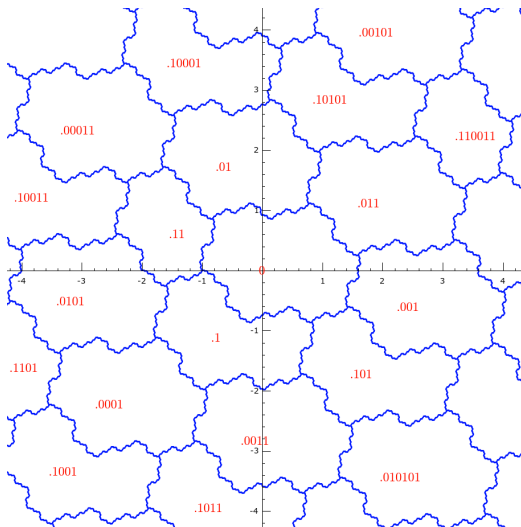
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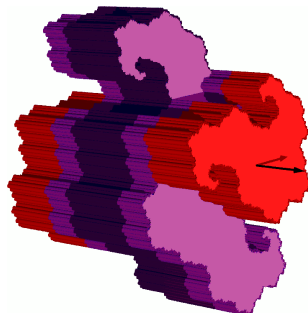
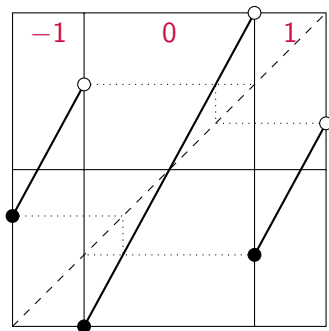


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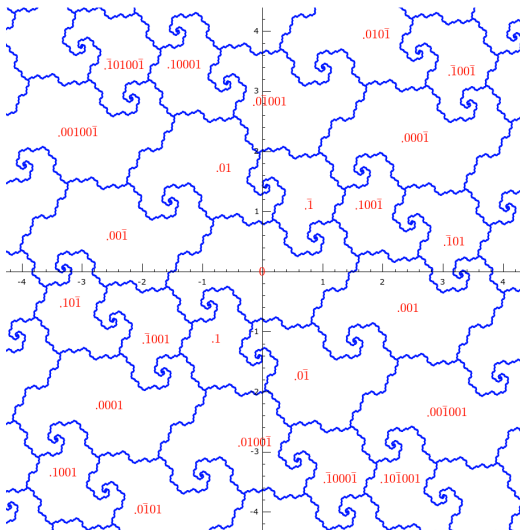


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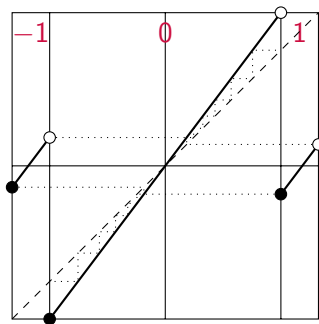


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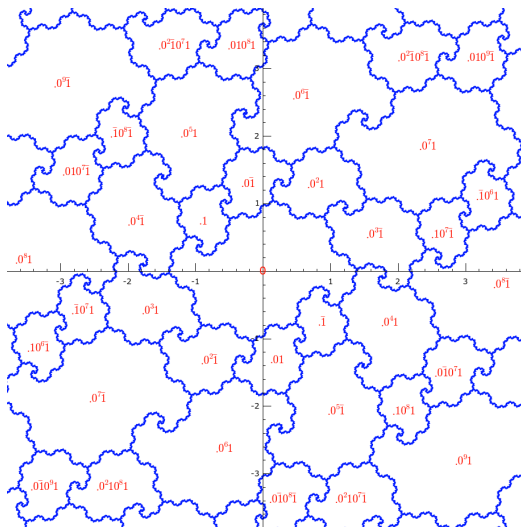


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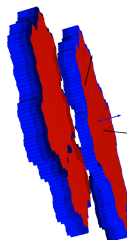
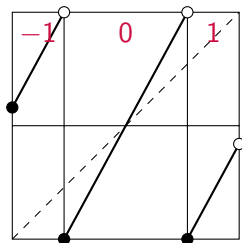
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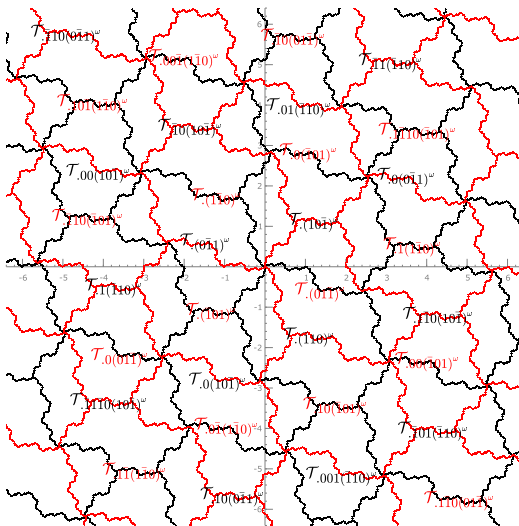


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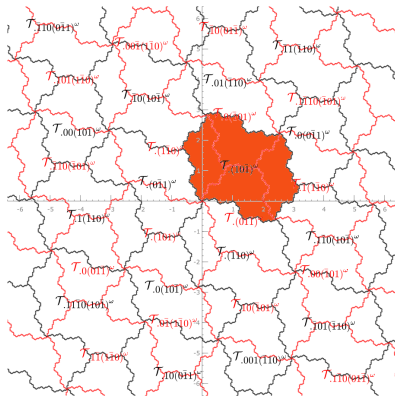
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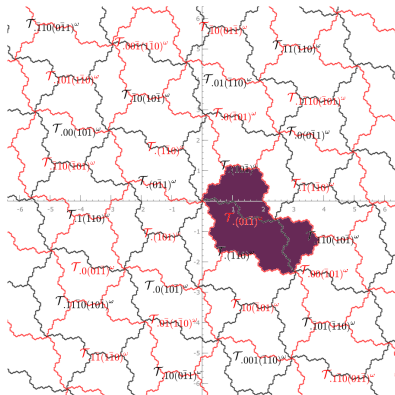
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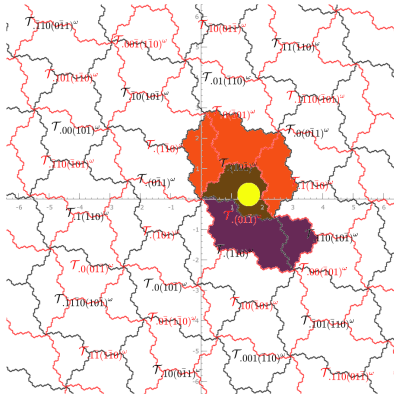


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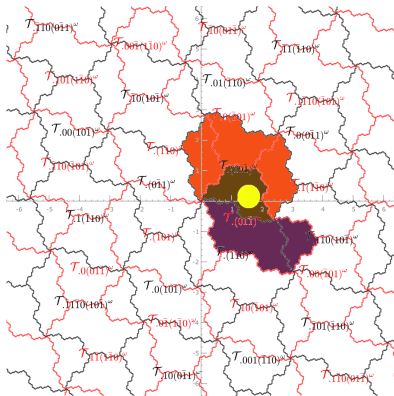


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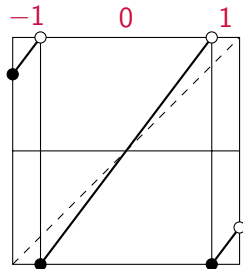
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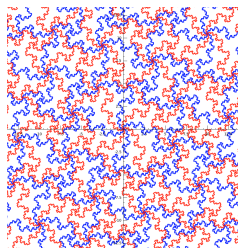
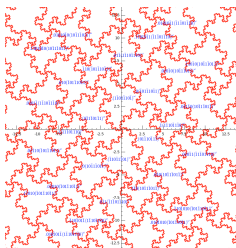
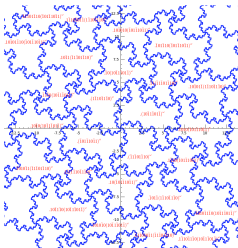
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