# Adic Systems and Symbolic Dynamics 

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- This is analogous to $h_{s e^{-t}} g_{t}=g_{t} h_{s}$ for the horocycle and geodesic flows.


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## Action of the Pascal adic



## Pascal by cutting and stacking



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- Strengthenings of ergodicity (such as weak mixing) would therefore imply new results in probability.


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- The adic representation suggests the use of $C^{*}$ ideas such as dimension groups (Elliott 1976 and 1993, Effros-Handelman-Shen 1980)


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- A version in symbolic dynamics called the Marker Lemma is used to prove the Krieger Embedding Theorem for SFT's: There is an embedding $X \rightarrow Y$ if and only if $h(X)<h(Y)$ and the periodic points of $X$ embed in those of $Y$-see Lind-Marcus (1995, Lemma 10.1.8, p. 343).


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## Stationary adics



- We describe first the stationary adic system (on an infinite downward directed graph) that arises from a finite directed graph.
- Vertices divided into levels, with the number on each level equal to the total number in the finite graph
- Each vertex on level $n$ corresponds to a vertex in the finite graph. Connect the edges accord-
 ing to the allowed transitions in the SFT.


## The full shift on $\{0,1\}$ generates the binary odometer

$$
\begin{array}{ll}
\gamma=.01011 \ldots & \\
\sigma(\gamma)=.1011 \ldots & S(\gamma)=.11011 \ldots \\
\sigma^{2}(\gamma)=.011 \ldots & S^{2}(\gamma)=.00111 \ldots
\end{array}
$$

This stationary adic is the dyadic odometer.
The adic transformation is transverse to the shift.
The translation action in a self-similar tiling system is like the adic, while the shift is like a change of scale (action of a substitution). This is similar to transverse actions of horocycle and geodesic flows.

## Symbol count adics

- Keeps track of symbol counts
- Regardless of path to vertex, same symbol counts vector
- Each path in the symbol count adic gives the history from time 0 of the random walk on the
 labeled edge graph


## The symbol count adic for the full shift is the Pascal adic



These are the adic invariant, fully-supported ergodic probability measures on the Pascal adic (Hewitt-Savage, de Finetti).
Cylinders are given measures by multiplying the weights on their edges. The diagram defines the "CCR" $C^{*}$ algebra, found already in Bratteli's 1972 paper.

## Higher-dimensional Pascal

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## Reinforced random walk (or urn model)

- Reinforcement scheme on a finite directed graph: For each edge $e$ we have $v_{e} \in \mathbb{Z}_{+}^{2}$ that tells what to add to the weights on the edges.
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## Positively reinforced random walk on two loops: the reverse Euler adic



## Negatively reinforced random walk on two loops: the Euler adic



## The Walk Measures (not necessarily invariant or ergodic)



- Adic invariant
- Gives each edge connecting level $n$ to level $n+1$ weight $\frac{1}{n+2}$.
- Gives each cylinder of length $n$ measure $\frac{1}{(n+1)!}$


## Counting paths: $\operatorname{dim}\left(C, x_{n}\right)$ and $\operatorname{dim}\left(x_{n}\right)$

- Let $\operatorname{dim}\left(x_{n}\right)$ be the number of finite paths from the root vertex to vertex through which the path $x$ passes at level $n$.
- For any cylinder $C$, let $\operatorname{dim}\left(C, x_{n}\right)$ be the number of paths in $C$ that agree with $x_{n}$ after level $n$.
- Theorem (Vershik) If $(X, T)$ is a Bratteli-Vershik system and $\mu$ is an ergodic, $T$-invariant measure on $X$, then for any cylinder $C \subset X$ and $\mu$-a.e. $x$,

$$
\lim _{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\operatorname{dim}\left(C, x_{n}\right)}{\operatorname{dim}\left(x_{n}\right)}=\mu(C)
$$

- Proved by Ergodic Theorem or Reverse Martingale Theorem.
- Also can use generalized Perron-Frobenius Theorem, as with substitutions.


## Ergodic Measures on the Reverse Euler

- Let $\mu$ be an ergodic measure on $X_{R}$ and $C$ a cylinder in $X_{R}$, for $\mu$-a.e. $x \in X_{R}$,

$$
\mu[C]=\lim _{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\operatorname{dim}(C,(n, k))}{n!}=\frac{(\alpha)^{k_{0}}(1-\alpha)^{n_{0}-k_{0}}}{k_{0}!\left(n_{0}-k_{0}\right)!} .
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## Dimensions of vertices in the Euler graph: Eulerian numbers



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(Previous proofs for the Pascal were given by Hajian-Ito-Kakutani (1972), and Vershik.)

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Pick an $n_{0}=n_{0}(x, y)$ such that for all $n \geq n_{0}$, and $\eta \times \eta$-a.e. $(x, y) \in A \times A^{c}$,

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\begin{equation*}
\frac{\eta\left(A \cap I_{n}(x)\right)}{\eta\left(I_{n}(x)\right)}>\frac{1}{2} \text { and } \frac{\eta\left(A^{c} \cap I_{n}(y)\right)}{\eta\left(I_{n}(y)\right)}>\frac{1}{2} . \tag{2}
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Then, by Proposition 2, we can choose $n \geq n_{0}$ such that $I_{n}(x)$ and $I_{n}(y)$ end in the same vertex and hence there is $j \in \mathbb{Z}$ such that $T^{j}\left(I_{n}(x)\right)=I_{n}(y)$.
Since $A$ is $T$-invariant, this contradicts (2)—most of $I_{n}(x)$ is made up of $A$, while most of $I_{n}(y)$ is made up of $A^{c}$.

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- Each path from the end of $C_{1}$ to $(n, k)$ corresponds to a permutation of $1, \ldots, n+1$ in which $1, \ldots, n_{0}+1$ appear in the order $\pi\left(C_{1}\right)$.
- We obtain each such permutation by starting with a permutation of $n_{0}+2, \ldots, n+1$ and inserting $1, \ldots, n_{0}+1$ in the order prescribed by $\pi\left(C_{1}\right)$.
- And we are supposed to end up with a permutation of $1, \ldots, n+1$ which has exactly $k$ rises and $n-k$ falls.
- If no two elements of $1, \ldots, n_{0}+1$ are placed consecutively, we have $n_{0}+1$ choices for where to put them (in a rise, in a fall, at the beginning or end).
- And the effect on the number of rises and falls is the same for $\pi\left(C_{1}\right)$ as for $\pi\left(C_{2}\right)$ —putting any $i \leq n_{0}+1$ into a fall or at the beginning produces a new rise, putting it into a rise or at the end produces a new fall (and the number of rises does not change).


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- In counting $\operatorname{dim}\left(C_{1}, x_{n}\right)$ we see Eulerian numbers $A\left(n-\left(n_{0}+1\right), j\right)$, with coefficients of various degrees in $k$ and $n-k$.
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$C\left(k+1, n_{0}+1\right)=(k+1) k \cdots\left(k-n_{0}+1\right) /\left(n_{0}+1\right)$ ! choices for the set of places, and the number of rises will stay fixed at $k$.
- Similarly, if we insist that a certain number of $1, \ldots, n_{0}+1$ be placed into separate rises or at the end, and the rest into separate falls or at the beginning, we again find a product of $n_{0}+1$ factors on the order of $k$ or $n-k$.
- But if we allow some of $1, \ldots, n_{0}+1$ to be placed adjacently, we will obtain a lower degree product.
- Thus the coefficients of each $A\left(n-\left(n_{0}+1\right), j\right)$ of highest degree (in $k$ and $n-k$ ) are the same for $\pi\left(C_{1}\right)$ and $\pi\left(C_{2}\right)$, and so $\operatorname{dim}\left(C_{1}, x_{n}\right) / \operatorname{dim}\left(C_{2}, x_{n}\right) \rightarrow 1, \quad$ provided that $k, n-k \rightarrow \infty$.


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- We will compare $\frac{\mu\left(C_{1}\right)}{\mu\left(C_{2}\right)}$ when $C_{1}$ and $C_{2}$ are of the same length, $n_{0}$.
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- $\pi\left(C_{1}\right)$ is "broken up" in 41752638
- This term is the same for cylinders of the same length.
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- 41752638 and 43751628 have the same number of rises.


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## Pairs of paths in the Euler graph.



From each vertex below each of $P_{0}, P_{1}, n_{0}+1$ paths are colored and numbered $1,2, \ldots, n_{0}+1$ from left to right.
The other vertices are numbered as falls or rises.
When a colored edge is used, we note the label, remove the color, relabel it at all vertices below as a fall or rise.
We have to show that most paths from $P_{0}$ and $P_{1}$ correspond by means of their labels.

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## Hitting densities (boundaries)

- Ergodic decomposition of the walk measure is related to asymptotic edge traversal frequencies.
- Sometimes this has a density on the simplex-e.g., for positive reinforcement (Coppersmith-Diaconis, Keane-Rolles).
- Other reinforcement schemes lead to other interesting examples, such as the Stirling system that comes from always reinforcing to the left (Salama).
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## Ordering incoming edges to define the transformation



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$$

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## Various formulas for Delannoy numbers

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$$

## Asymptotics of Delannoy numbers on the diagonal

$$
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## Ingredients of the proof

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uniformly if $n / k$ and $k / n$ are bounded.

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- Staircase coding: There are $x$ and irrational $\theta$ such that for all $n$, $\omega(n)=\lfloor x+(n+1) \theta\rfloor-\lfloor x+n \theta\rfloor$ or for all $n$, $\omega(n)=\lceil x+(n+1) \theta\rceil-\lceil x+n \theta\rceil$. (Look at jumps between lattice points above or below line through origin of slope $\theta$. Get jump (of floor) when $n \theta$ is in $[1-\theta, 1)$.)


## Lower staircase coding of 3/7



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0
1
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## Farey or Stern-Brocot Diagram



## Properties of Farey diagram

- Generated by adding numerators and denominators.
- Every rational in $[0,1]$ appears, generated exactly once, automatically in lowest terms.
- Two Farey neighbors, $p / q$ and $p^{\prime} / q^{\prime}$, satisfy $p^{\prime} q-q^{\prime} p= \pm 1$.
- Infinite paths give best one-sided approximations to irrationals. When switch sides, have best two-sided approximations, the ordinary continued fractions.


## Farey Diagram



## Ordinary and intermediate continued fractions

- Let $B=\left(\begin{array}{ll}0 & 1 \\ 1 & 1\end{array}\right), \quad A=\left(\begin{array}{ll}1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1\end{array}\right)$.
- Ordinary continued fractions for $x=\left[a_{1}, a_{2}, \ldots\right]$ :

$$
\begin{gathered}
\left(\begin{array}{cc}
p_{n-1} & p_{n} \\
q_{n-1} & q_{n}
\end{array}\right)=\left(\begin{array}{ll}
1 & 0 \\
0 & 1
\end{array}\right)\left(\begin{array}{cc}
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1 & a_{n}
\end{array}\right) \\
=B A^{a_{1}-1} B A^{a_{2}-1} \ldots B A^{a_{n}-1}
\end{gathered}
$$

- The intermediate products give the intermediate, Farey, approximations.

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x=[2,3,2,4, \ldots] \approx 1, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{3}, \frac{2}{5}, \frac{3}{7}, \frac{4}{9}, \frac{7}{16}, \frac{10}{23}, \frac{17}{39}, \frac{24}{55}, \frac{31}{71}, \ldots
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- I learned about the Farey shift from papers of Jeff Lagarias.


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## Balanced periodic sequences

- The word at position corresponding to fraction $p /(p+q)$ has $p$ 1's and $q 0$ 's (hence length $p+q$ ).
- The periodic sequence formed by each of these words is balanced.
- These words are Lyndon words-primitive and lexicogaphically minimal among their rotations.
- They also increase lexicographically left to right in each row.
- Every balanced word of length $p+q$ with exactly $p$ 1's is a rotation of the word in the Farey diagram that corresponds to $p /(p+q)$. There are exactly $p+q$ of them.
- Infinite nonperiodic Sturmian sequences are found as "ends" of infinite paths in the Farey diagram.


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## Why does the concatenation work?

- Prop: If $u<v$ are Lyndon words, then $u v$ is Lyndon.
- The following are equivalent:
- Two integer vectors $(q, p)$ and $\left(q^{\prime}, p^{\prime}\right)$ span the integer lattice $\mathbb{Z}^{2}$.
- $p q^{\prime}-q p^{\prime}= \pm 1$.
- The parallelogram spanned by the vectors $(q, p)$ and $\left(q^{\prime}, p^{\prime}\right)$ has no point of the integer lattice $\mathbb{Z}^{2}$ in its interior.


## $(7,3)$ is Farey child of $(5,2)$ and $(2,1)$



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## Ideal and orbit closure for $\theta=[2,3,2,4, \ldots]$



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- What further insight into the much-studied class of Sturmian subshifts might be gained from the adic viewpoint?


## $\beta$-shifts

- Fix $\beta>1$, let $d=\lceil\beta\rceil$, and $D=\{0,1, \ldots, d-1\}$.
- Let $\Sigma_{\beta}^{+} \subset D^{\mathbb{N}}$ denote the closure of the set of all greedy expansions base $\beta$ of all $x \in[0,1]$,

$$
x=\frac{a_{1}}{\beta}+\frac{a_{2}}{\beta^{2}}+\ldots
$$

- $\left(\Sigma_{\beta}^{+}, \sigma\right)$ is a symbolic coding (lift) of the $\beta$-transformation $T_{\beta}:[0,1] \rightarrow[0,1]$ defined by $T_{\beta} x=\beta x \bmod 1$.
- If the expansion $a_{1} a_{2} \ldots$ of 1 base $\beta$ is nonterminating, we put $e_{\beta}(1)=a_{1} a_{2} \ldots$.
- Otherwise there is a first $i$ for which $T_{\beta}^{i} 1=n \in \mathbb{N}$, and then we put $e_{\beta}(1)=\left[a_{1} \ldots a_{i-1}(n-1)\right]^{\infty}$.


## $\beta$-shifts and lexicographic order

- A sequence $a=a_{1} a_{2} \cdots \in D^{\mathbb{N}}$ is in $\Sigma_{\beta}^{+}$if and only if $\sigma^{k} x \leq e_{\beta}(1)$ for all $k \geq 0$.
- A sequence $a=a_{1} a_{2} \cdots \in D^{\mathbb{N}}$ is $e_{\beta}(1)$ for some $\beta$ if and only if it dominates all its shifts: $a \geq \sigma^{k} a$ for all $k \geq 0$ (Parry, 1960).


## A map of the interval

- Return now to a Sturmian symbolic dynamical system with rotation number $\theta$. It also has a lexicographically maximal element.
- This maximal element, $M(\theta)=\left(1_{[0, \theta)}(n(1-\theta))\right)$, is obtained from the Farey diagram of blocks by switching 0 's and 1 's (and $\theta$ with $1-\theta$ ).
- Since $M(\theta)$ is lexicographically maximal in a subshift, it dominates all its shifts and hence is the expansion $e_{\beta}(1)$ of 1 base $\beta$ for some $\beta=\beta(\theta) \in(1,2)$.
- We define $L:(0,1] \rightarrow(0,1]$ by $L(\theta)=\beta(\theta)-1$.


## The map $L$

- The map $L:(0,1] \rightarrow(0,1]$ is strictly increasing.
- This is because $\beta \rightarrow e_{\beta}(1)$ is strictly increasing and each row of the Farey diagram of blocks is strictly increasing.
- Then we switch 0 's and 1 's, and $\theta$ and $1-\theta$.
- For $\theta=1 / 3$, the minimal element is $001001001 \ldots$, the maximal element is $M(\theta)=100100100 \cdots=\left(1_{[0,1 / 3)}(n \times 2 / 3)\right)$, and $\beta(\theta)$ is the reciprocal of the solution of $1=x+x^{4}+x^{7}+\ldots$, i.e. $1=x+x^{3}$.
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- So $\beta(1 / 3)<\beta(2 / 3)$


## Some values of $L$

- $L(1 / 2)$ is the solution $\alpha$ of $x+x^{2}=1$.
- $L(\mathbb{Q}) \subset$ algebraic numbers.
- $M(\alpha)=1 f$, where $f$ is the fixed point of the Fibonacci substitution $0 \rightarrow 01,1 \rightarrow 0$.
- The 1999 thesis of Kimberly Johnson gives (among other things) an algorithm for finding the maximal elements in substitution subshifts.
- $L(\alpha)$ is transcendental (Chi and Kwon, 2004).
- Since the mapping $L$ connects the lexicographic order properties of Sturmian systems and $\beta$-shifts (and the interval), it may be interesting to develop further its properties and those of the dynamical system it defines.
- In recent papers and preprints, DoYong Kwon has defined and studied essentially the same function.

