

Topological properties of central tiles for substitutions

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Central Tiles and Rauzy fractals

Introduced by Rauzy and Thurston in different frameworks

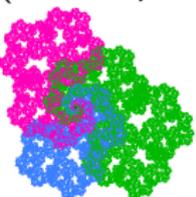
- **Symbolic dynamical systems** Geometrical representation of the **shift map** on a substitutive dynamical system. The shift map commutes with a piecewise exchange of domains.
- **Beta-numeration** Geometric compact representation of real numbers with an **empty fractional greedy expansion** in a non-integer numeration system.
- **Discrete geometry** **Renormalized limit** of an inflation action on faces of discrete planes.

Specific topological properties

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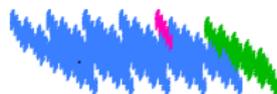
(0 not inner point)

connectivity



(not connected)

Hausdorff
dimension of the
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disklikeness

Parametrization of the
boundary



Give criterions for topological properties that can be checked algorithmically ?

Definitions

- **Substitution.** endomorphism σ of the free monoid $\{0, \dots, n\}^*$.
 $\sigma: 1 \rightarrow 12 \quad 2 \rightarrow 13 \quad 3 \rightarrow 1. \quad (\beta^3 = \beta^2 + \beta + 1)$

- **Primitivity.** The map \mathbf{M} obtained by abelianization of $0, \dots, n^*$ on σ is primitive.

- **Periodic points.** If σ is primitive, then there exists at least a periodic point w for σ :

$$\sigma^\nu(w) = w.$$

- **unit Pisot assumption** The dominant eigenvalue β of the abelianized matrix of σ is a **unit Pisot number**.

$$\sigma: 1 \rightarrow 12 \quad 2 \rightarrow 3 \quad 3 \rightarrow 1 \quad 4 \rightarrow 5 \quad 5 \rightarrow 1 \quad (\beta^3 = \beta + 1)$$

Let $d \leq n$ be the algebraic degree of β . Let Min_β be its minimal polynomial.

Central Tile

- Beta-decomposition of the space:
 - Beta-expanding line \mathbb{H}_e
 - Beta-contracting space \mathbb{H}_c generated by the eigenvectors for the algebraic conjugates β_i 's of β .
 - Beta-Orthogonal space: subspace \mathbb{H}_o generated by the other eigenvectors.
- Beta-projection: projection on the beta-contracting plane parallel to $G\mathbb{H}_e + \mathbb{H}_o$

$$\forall w \in \mathcal{A}^*, \pi(\mathbf{l}(\sigma(w))) = \mathbf{h}\pi(\mathbf{l}(w)).$$

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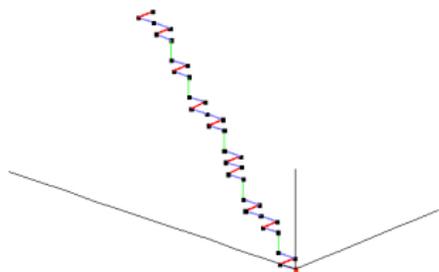
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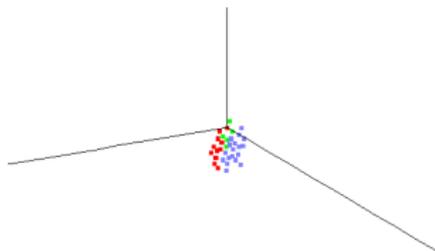
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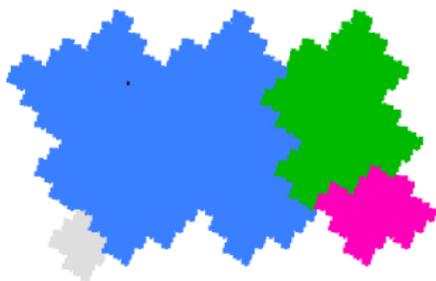
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Definition

Let σ be a primitive unit Pisot substitution. The central tile of σ is defined by

$$\mathcal{T}_\sigma = \overline{\{\pi(\mathbf{l}(u_0 \cdots u_{i-1})); i \in \mathbb{N}\}}.$$

$$\text{Subtile: } \mathcal{T}(a) = \overline{\{\pi(\mathbf{l}(u_0 \cdots u_{i-1})); i \in \mathbb{N}, u_i = a\}}.$$

Main topological properties

Theorem

Let σ be a primitive Pisot unit substitution.

- The central tile \mathcal{T} is a **compact** subset of \mathbb{R}^{d-1} , with **nonempty interior** and **non-zero measure**. (d degree of Min_β).
- Each subtile is the **closure of its interior**.
- The subtiles of \mathcal{T} are solutions of the following affine **Graph Iterated Function System**:

$$\mathcal{T}(a) = \bigcup_{b \in \mathcal{A}, \sigma(b) = pas} \mathbf{h}(\mathcal{T}(b)) + \pi(\mathbf{l}(p))$$

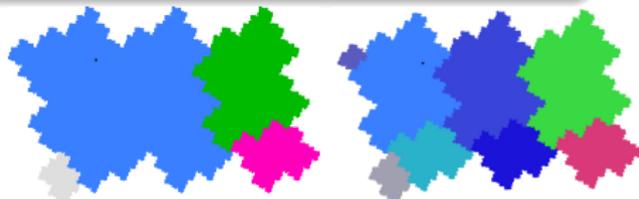
- The **subtiles are disjoint** when the substitution satisfies the so-called **coincidence condition**.

$$\mathcal{T}(1) = \mathbf{h}[\mathcal{T}(1) \cup (\mathcal{T}(1) + \pi(\mathbf{l}(e_1))) \cup \mathcal{T}(2) \cup (\mathcal{T}(2) + \pi(\mathbf{l}(e_1))) \cup \mathcal{T}(4)],$$

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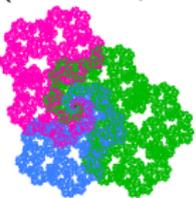
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(Sufficient conditions, CNS conditions)
[Rauzy, Akiyama]



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(Sufficient condition, necessary condition)
[Canterini, Messaoudi]

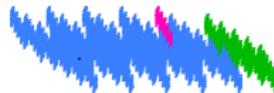


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(Examples of computation)
[Feng-Furukado-Ito, Thuswaldner]



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(Examples)
[Messaoudi, Sirvent]



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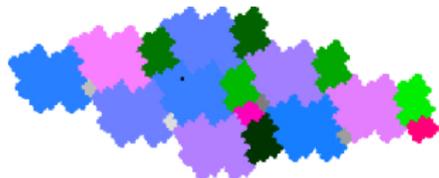
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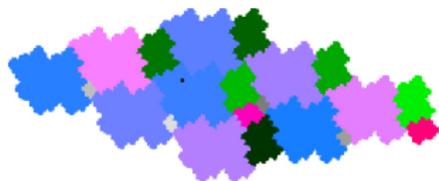
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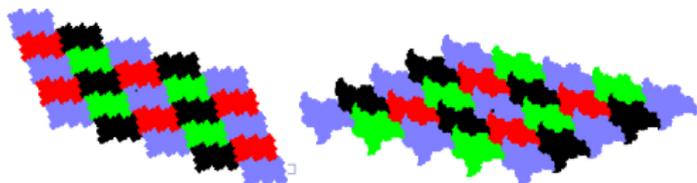


Lattice multiple tiling

$(\mathbf{e}_{B(1)}, \dots, \mathbf{e}_{B(d)})$ \mathbb{Z} -basis of $\pi(\mathbb{Z}^n)$

$$\Gamma_{lattice} = \{(\pi(\mathbf{x}), i) \in \pi(\mathbb{Z}^n) \times \mathcal{A}, \\ \sum_1^d \langle \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{e}_{B(k)} \rangle = 0\}.$$

Periodic and Delaunay set.
When σ irreducible, tiling iff
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The main tool: IFS description of intersection of tiles

Suppose that two tiles intersect. $\mathcal{I} = \mathcal{T}(a) \cap (\pi(\mathbf{x}) + \mathcal{T}(b)) \neq \emptyset$.

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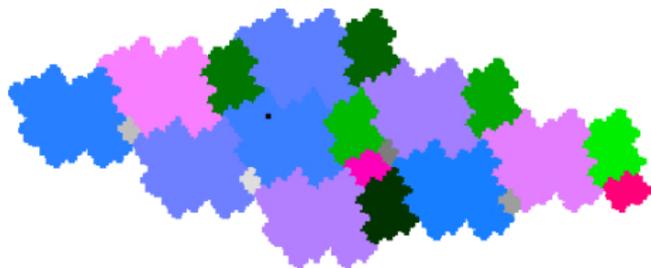
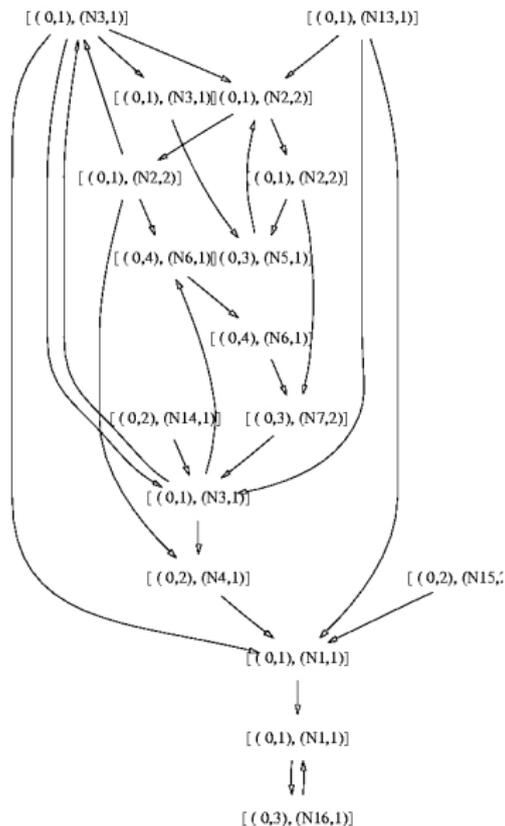
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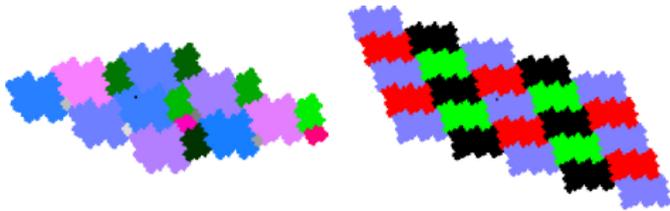
The central subtile intersects 17 other tiles in the SRS tiling

$\mathcal{T}(1)$ has 5 neighbours outside the central tile.

Several graphs

It is algorithmically possible to compute graphs

- **Self-replicating substitution neighbor graph** Pairs of tiles intersecting in the SRS multiple tiling.
- **Connectivity graph** Pairs of subtiles of $\mathcal{T}(a)$ with a common point.
- **Lattice neighbor graph** Pairs of tiles in lattice multiple tiling.
- **Triple point neighbor graph** Triplets of tiles intersecting in the SRS multiple tiling.
- **Quadruple point neighbor graph** Quadruplets of tiles intersecting in the SRS mutiple tiling.



- 6 intersecting pairs in the lattice tiling
- 20 intersecting triplets in the SRS tiling (redundancy)
- 4 intersecting quadruplets in the SRS tiling

Application to boundary

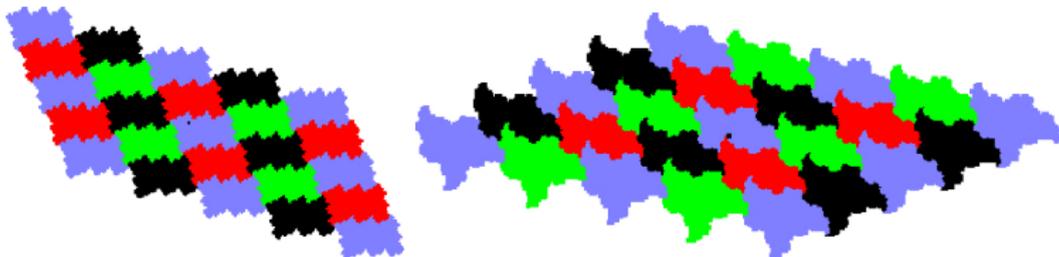
Proposition

The *SRS multiple tiling is a tiling* iff the dominant eigenvalue of the matrix of the SRS neighbor graph is strictly less than β .

The *lattice multiple tiling is a tiling* iff the dominant eigenvalue of the matrix of the lattice neighbor graph is strictly less than β .

Application: $\sigma(1) = 112, \sigma(2) = 113, \sigma(3) = 4, \sigma(4) = 1$ generates a lattice tiling.

$\sigma(1) = 12, \sigma(2) = 13, \sigma(3) = 4, \sigma(4) = 5, \sigma(5) = 1$ does not generate a lattice tiling with the given vectors.



Application to boundary

Proposition

Let λ be the largest conjugate of β and λ' the smallest conjugate. Let μ be the dominant eigenvalue of the matrix of the SRS neighbor graph. If the SRS neighbor graph is strongly connected then

$$\dim_B(\partial T) = \dim_B(\partial T(a)) = d - 1 + \frac{\log \lambda - \log \mu}{\log \lambda'}$$

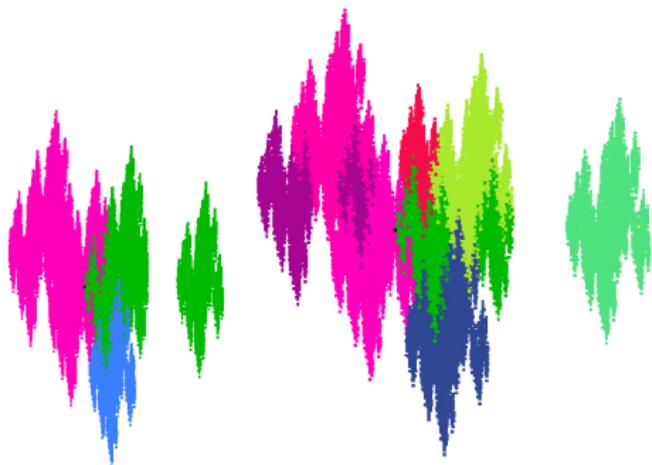
Application: Explicit computations of Hausdorff dimensions.

Application to connectivity

Connectivity graph For each subtile $\mathcal{T}(a)$, there is an edge between two subunits iff they intersect.

Proposition

*Each $\mathcal{T}(a)$ is a locally connected continuum if and only if the connectivity graph $G_a(V, E)$ is connected for each $a \in \mathcal{A}$.
 \mathcal{T} is connected iff each $\mathcal{T}(a)$ and the subtiles have connections.*



$$\sigma(1) = 3; \sigma(2) = 23, \sigma(3) = 31223.$$

- The three central tiles intersect.
- One subtile of $\mathcal{T}(2)$ intersects no other subtile: some nodes are missing in the graph.

Criterion for non dislike

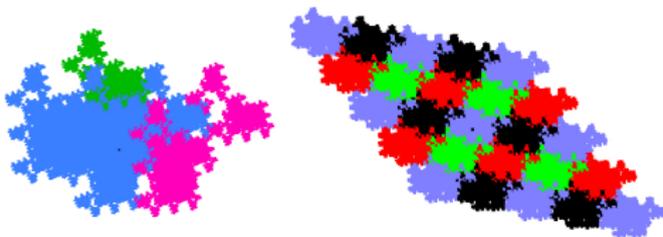
Proposition

Suppose that β has degree 3. If the central tile \mathcal{T} is homeomorphic to a closed disk then \mathcal{T} has at most six neighbors λ in a lattice tiling with the property

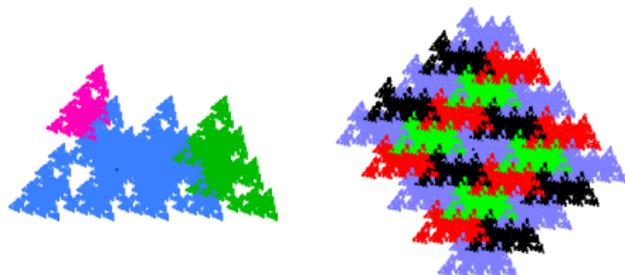
$$|\mathcal{T}_\sigma \cap (\mathcal{T}_\sigma + \gamma)| > 1.$$

Deduced from Bandt and Gelbrich.

Application: when there is lattice tiling, check if the central tile is not dislike.



8 neighbours. Not homeomorphic to a closed disk.



Only 6 neighbors. No conclusion

Criterion for disklike

Theorem

Suppose that β has degree 3. Let B_1, \dots, B_k be the boundary pieces $\mathcal{T}(a) \cap (\mathcal{T}(b) + \pi(\mathbf{x}))$. Suppose that

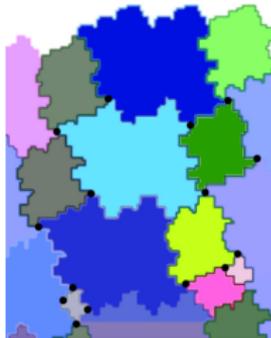
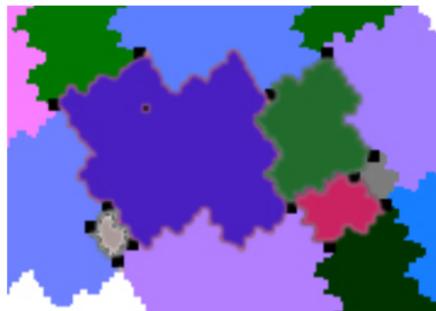
- *The B_i 's form a circular chain: they can be arranged so that they have one intersection point with the following and no intersection with the others.*
- *The self-affine decomposition of each B_i is a regular chain*

Then the central tile is disklike

Translation into the boundary graph framework. A boundary piece B_i corresponds to a node $[(\mathbf{0}, a), (\pi\mathbf{x}, b)]$.

Algorithmic criterion for dislike

- Identify pairs intersecting as a singleton
- Check that every triple intersection is a singleton.
- For every pair-intersection $[(0, a), (\pi x, b)]$ that is not a singleton, check that it intersect exactly two other intersections.
- The intersections make a loop.
- Similar checking for the successors of $[(0, a), (\pi x, b)]$.



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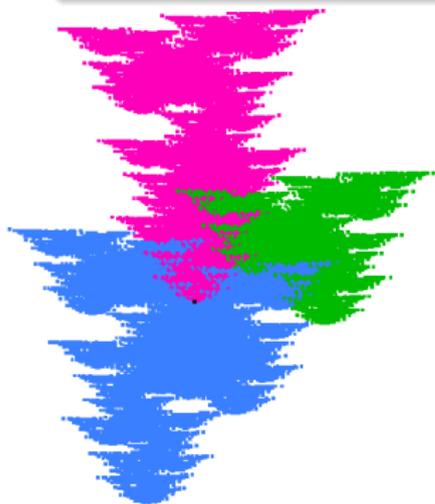
- 17 pair-intersections of tiles.
- 4 contains exactly one point (Sommets 1,15, 16, 17)
- 13 remaining infinite pair-intersections.

The central tile for $\sigma(1) = 112$,
 $\sigma(2) = 113$, $\sigma(3) = 4$, $\sigma(4) = 1$ is
homeomorphic to a closed disk.

Criterion for not simply connected

Theorem

The SRS boundary graph, triple point graph and quadruple point graph allow to check a condition for not simply connected.



Not simply connected

Conclusion

- Many topological properties of central tiles can be checked.
- Understand the structure of boundary, triple and quadruple graphs for classes of substitutions to deduce general properties?
- What is the relation between topological properties and ergodic properties of the substitutive dynamical system?
- What can be deduced from topological properties about beta-numeration systems?
- (Find a good programmer to compute efficiently the graphs to check the conditions?)