

Symbolic dynamics of "low complexity systems"

(TALK 1)

→ Background: In topological dynamics we consider a compact metric space X (metric d) and a continuous transformation

$$T: X \rightarrow X$$

This couple $\underline{(X, T)}$ topological dynamical system. Here we have orbits:

$$\underline{\text{orb}_T^+(x) = \{T^n(x) \mid n \geq 0\}} \quad \forall x \in X.$$

Typically we will consider T to be a homeomorphism (bijective); in this case we have:

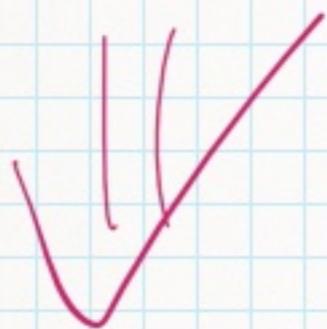
$$\underline{\text{orb}_T(x) = \{T^n(x) \mid n \in \mathbb{Z}\}}, \quad \forall x \in X.$$

To classify a t.d.s. (X, T) we have properties:
(homeomorphism)

① minimality: $\forall x \in X, \overline{\text{orb}(x)} = X$

$\Leftrightarrow \forall$ an open set in $X, \exists \delta > 0$, s.t.

$$X = \bigcup_{n=0}^{\infty} T^{-n}U$$



② transitivity: $\exists x \in X, \overline{\text{orb}(x)} = X$

(when this is true prove that
 $\exists \mathcal{G}$, set of points like here
dense)

③ $\forall U, V$ open sets, $\neq \emptyset, \exists n > 0,$

$$U \cap T^{-n}V \neq \emptyset$$

③ weak-mixing: $(X \times X, T \times T)$ is transitive.

$$(x, y) \sim (Tx, Ty) = (T^2x, T^2y) \dots$$

(Ex: if (X, T) is w.m. \Rightarrow $(\underbrace{X \times \dots \times X}_n, T \times \dots \times T)$
 is transitive)

$\forall U, V, \bar{U}, \bar{V}$ open sets, $\neq \emptyset$, in X : $\exists \epsilon > 0$,

$$U \cap T^{-n}V \neq \emptyset, \quad \bar{U} \cap T^{-n}\bar{V} \neq \emptyset$$

④ mixing: $\forall U, V$ open sets, $\neq \emptyset$,

$\exists N > 0$, $\forall n \geq N$,

$$U \cap T^{-n}V \neq \emptyset$$

In the minimal case to be w.mixing means that we cannot have "continuous eigenvalues":

$\lambda \in \mathbb{C}, |\lambda|=1$, is a continuous eigenvalue for (X, T)

$$\text{iff } \exists f \in C_c(X), \quad \underbrace{f \circ T}_{\text{Kopman operator}} = \lambda \cdot f$$

$\rightarrow U_T(f)$

⑤ Invariant measures: in X we can consider the σ -algebra of Borel sets \mathcal{B}_X and look for probability measures:

$$\boxed{\mu: \mathcal{B}_X \rightarrow [0, 1]}$$

so: $\forall B \in \mathcal{B}_X, \quad T\mu(B) \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \mu(T^{-1}(B)) = \mu(B)$
invariant prob. measure.

Theorem: given (X, T) a top. dynamical system
there exists $\mu: \mathcal{B}_X \rightarrow [0, 1]$ prob.
measure s.t. $T\mu = \mu$.

Proof. \odot You need to prove that

$$\int_X f \, d(T\mu) = \int_X f \, d\mu$$

$$\forall f \in C(X).$$

$$\left(\text{ex: } \int_X f \circ T \, d\mu = \int_X f \, d(T\mu) \right)$$

\odot First we need to construct such a μ :
start with $\nu: \mathcal{B}_X \rightarrow [0, 1]$ any prob. measure
($\nu = \delta_x, x \in X$) and consider:

$$M_N = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{n=0}^{N-1} T^n \nu$$

$\downarrow (T^{-n}(\cdot))$

 \xrightarrow{g}
 upto a subsequence
 (N_i)

μ

\leftarrow candidate

[$\mathcal{M}(X)$ space of prob. measures in \mathcal{B}_X is compact - metric weak-~~or~~ topology.]

\rightarrow let $f \in C(X)$:

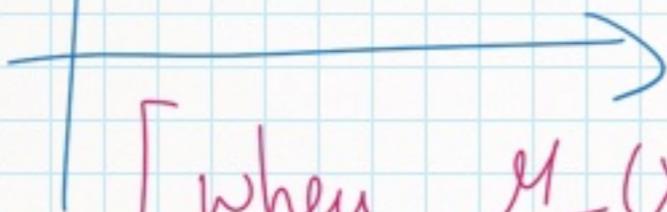
$$\begin{aligned} \int_X f \circ T \, d\mu &= \lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} \int_X f \circ T \, d\left(\frac{1}{N} \sum_{n=0}^{N-1} T^n \nu\right) \\ &= \lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{N} \sum_{n=0}^{N-1} \int_X f \circ T^{n+1} \, d\nu \\ &= \lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} \left(\frac{\int f \circ T^N \, d\nu}{N} - \frac{\int f \, d\nu}{N} + \frac{1}{N} \sum_{n=0}^{N-1} \int_X f \circ T^n \, d\nu \right) \end{aligned}$$

$$= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \int_X f d\mu_n = \int_X f d\mu \quad \square$$

Conclusion: given (X, T) the space

$$\mathcal{M}_T(X) = \left\{ \mu: \mathcal{B}_X \rightarrow [0, 1] \mid \int \mu = 1 \right\} \text{ a prob. m.}$$

$\neq \emptyset$



[when $\mathcal{M}_T(X)$ is a singleton we say that (X, T) uniquely ergodic]

We say $\mu \in \mathcal{M}_T(X)$ is ergodic iff.

$$\forall B \in \mathcal{B}_X, \mu(B \Delta T^{-1}B) = 0 \Rightarrow \mu(B) = 0 \text{ or } 1.$$

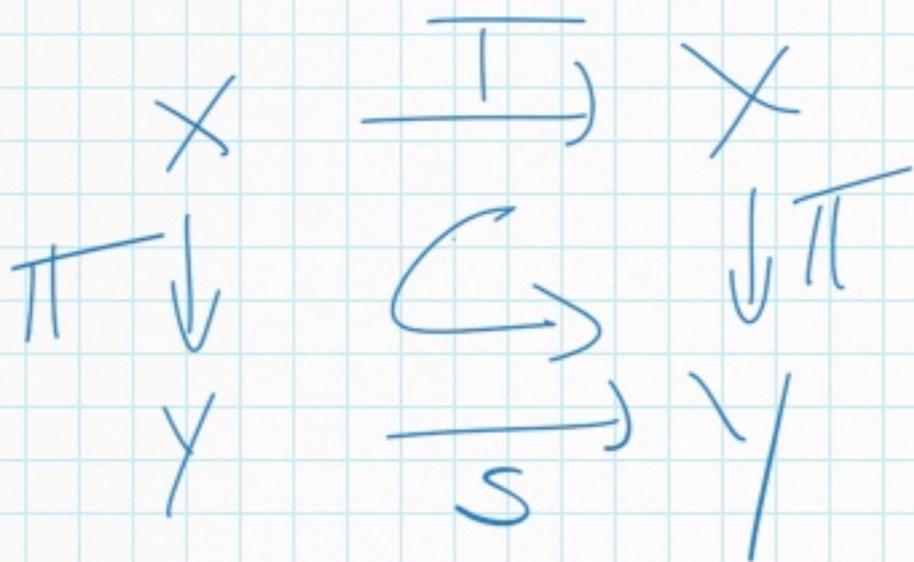
($B =_{\mu} T^{-1}B$)

⑥ Factors & extensions :-

Given (X, T) and (Y, S) top-dyn. systems
we say (Y, S) is a factor of (X, T) if that
 (X, T) is an extension of (Y, S) iff.

$\exists \pi: X \rightarrow Y$ continuous, onto.

st. the diagram commutes.



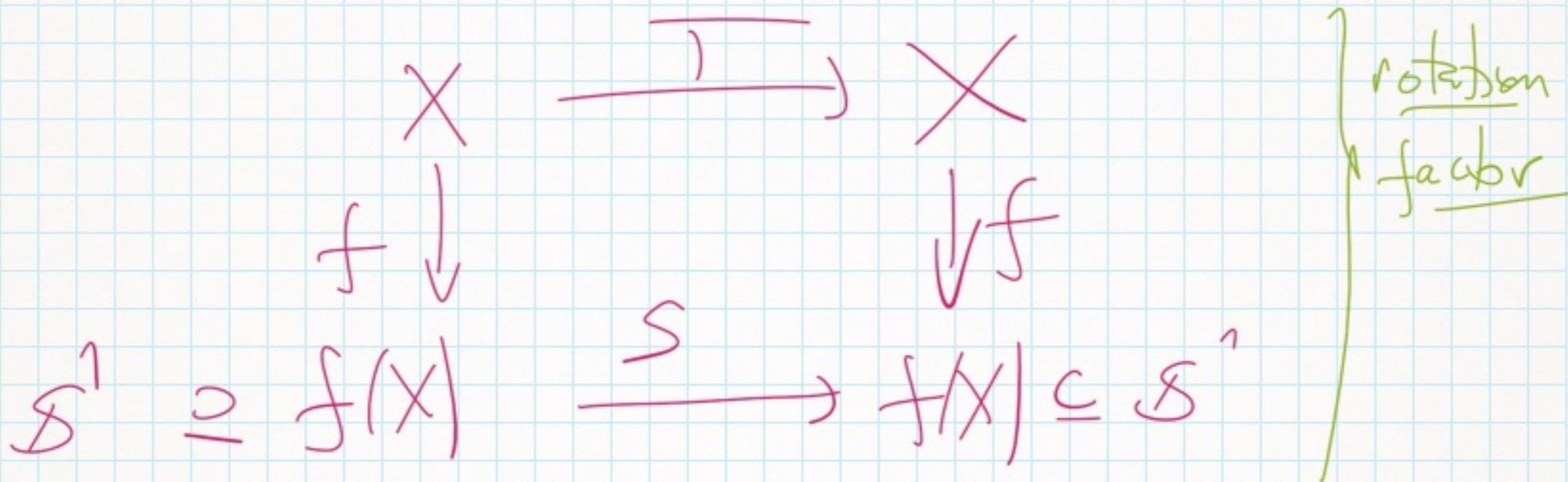
$$\boxed{\pi \circ T = S \circ \pi}$$

Try to classify
top-dyn. syst. by
the factors —

(X, T) and (Y, S) are conjugated if T in previous slide is bijective. (systems "are equal").

Ex: Assume there is function and $\lambda \in \mathcal{D}^1$ $f: X \rightarrow \mathcal{D}^1$ continuous
 $(\mathcal{D}^1 = \{z \in \mathbb{C} \mid |z| = 1\})$

s.t. $f \circ T = \lambda f$. We can write:



$$\underline{S}(f(x)) = \lambda f(x) = \underline{f \circ T}$$

$\exists: \lambda = \exp(2\pi i \alpha), \alpha \in \mathbb{Q} \Rightarrow f(X) = \mathcal{D}^1$

② Symbolic Dynamics: (X will be particular and T too)

Let A be a finite set that we also call alphabet

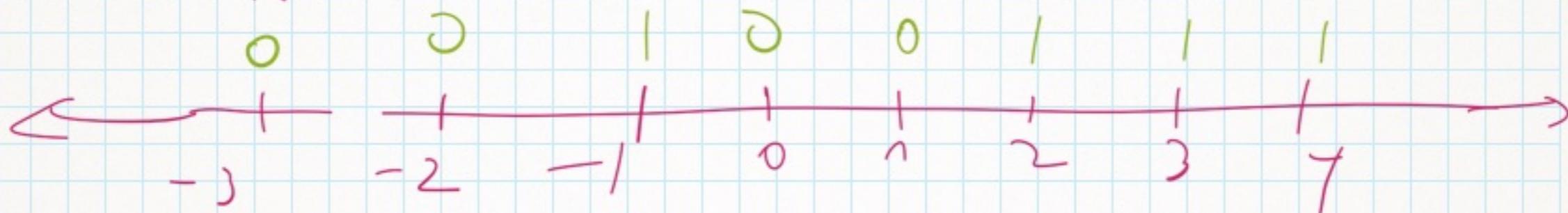
Consider:

$$X = A^{\mathbb{Z}} = \{ \alpha = (\alpha_i)_{i \in \mathbb{Z}} \mid \forall i \in \mathbb{Z}, \alpha_i \in A \}$$

full shift
on
 A .

Ex: $A = \{0, 1\}$, $\{0, 1\}^{\mathbb{Z}} \leftarrow$ biinfinite sequences of 0's and 1's.

we write:

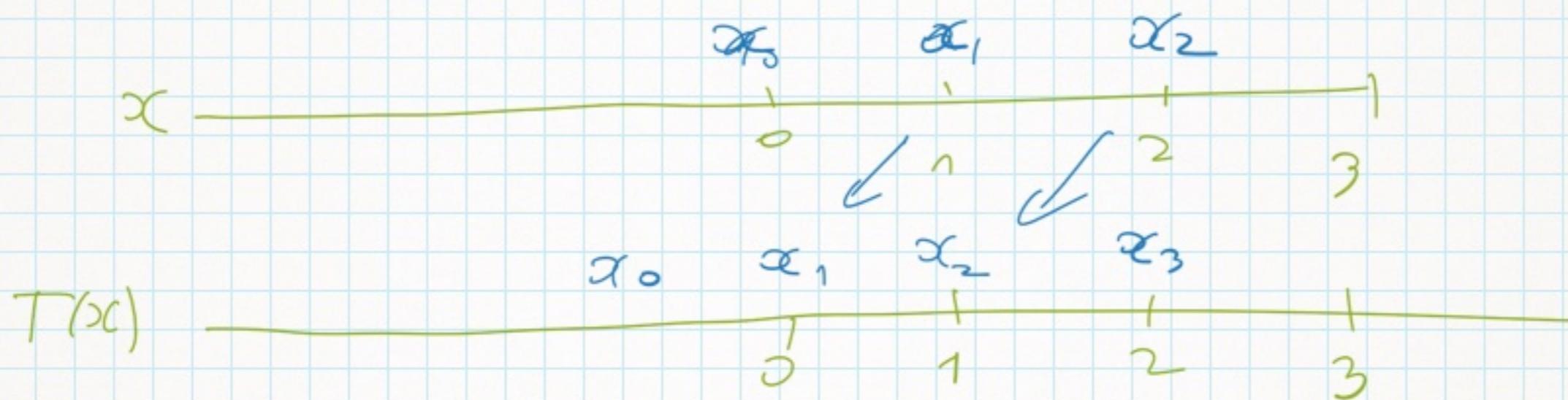


τ :

$$\tau: A^{\mathbb{Z}} \longrightarrow A^{\mathbb{Z}}$$

$$x = (x_i)_{i \in \mathbb{Z}} \rightsquigarrow \tau(x) = (x_{i+1})_{i \in \mathbb{Z}}$$

(left) shift



→ which topology in X ?

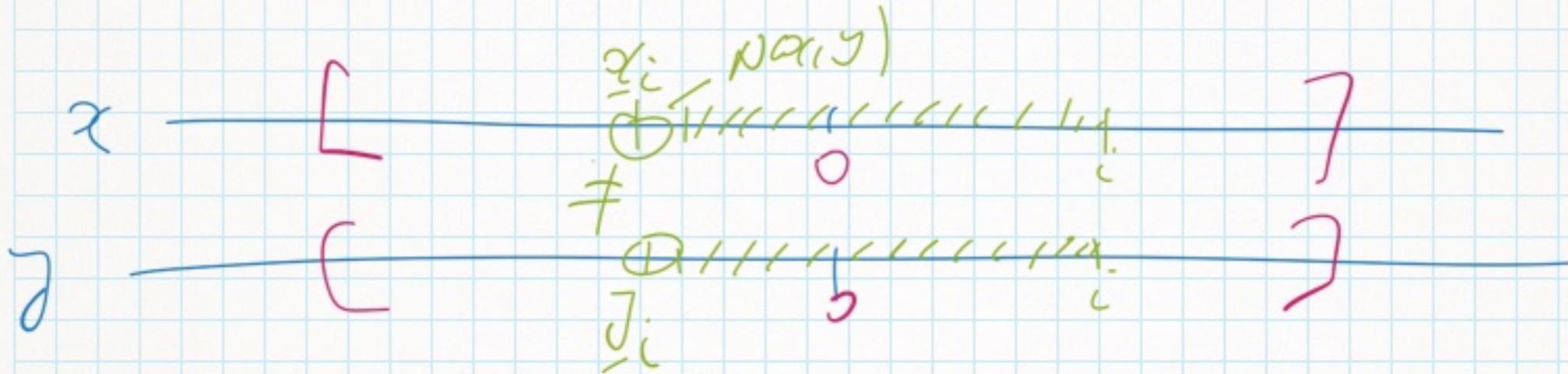
We look $A^{\mathbb{Z}}$ as product space of a discrete set A with discrete topology, that

is compact. So by Tychonoff $A^{\mathbb{Z}}$ compact

space. This is metrizable:

$$d\left(\underbrace{(x_i)_{i \in \mathbb{Z}}}_{\in \mathbb{A}^{\mathbb{Z}}}, \underbrace{(y_i)_{i \in \mathbb{Z}}}_{\in \mathbb{A}^{\mathbb{Z}}}\right) = \frac{1}{2^{\inf_{i \in \mathbb{Z}} (x_i \neq y_i)}}$$

$$N(x, y) = \min \{ |i| \mid i \in \mathbb{Z}, x_i \neq y_i \}$$



So two points "are close" if they coincide in "big symmetric windows around 0" - coordinate.

For this metric: (X, T) is a top. dyn. syst.

compact metric \uparrow \uparrow homeomorphism

For the moment "full shift" $\rightarrow (A^{\mathbb{Z}}, T)$

The notion of subshift: $X \subseteq A^{\mathbb{Z}}$ is a subshift

iff X compact set, $\neq \emptyset$, $T(X) = X \iff X$ is T -invariant

$(T|_X: X \rightarrow X$
homeomorphism)

just T

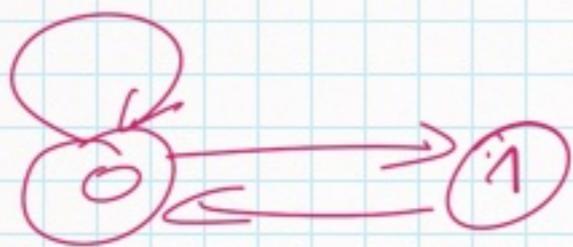
So a subshift defines a top. dyn. system

(X, T)

Example 1:

$$\textcircled{1} X = \left\{ (x_i)_{i \in \mathbb{Z}} \in \{0,1\}^{\mathbb{Z}} \mid \forall i \in \mathbb{Z}, x_i x_{i+1} \neq 11 \right\}$$

SFT



away to look to X.

→ closed set for product topology (ex.)

→ clearly τ invariant.

② Fibonacci substitution subshift:

Fibonacci
substitution

$$\sigma: \{a, b\} \rightarrow \{a, b\}^+$$

$$\begin{aligned} a &\longrightarrow \sigma(a) = ab \\ b &\longrightarrow \sigma(b) = a \end{aligned}$$

concatenation of letters
so words in a and b .

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \sigma: A^* \rightarrow A^* \\ \parallel \\ A^+ \cup \{\emptyset\} \end{array} \right\} \cong \uparrow \text{empty word.}$$

This map can be extended to words:

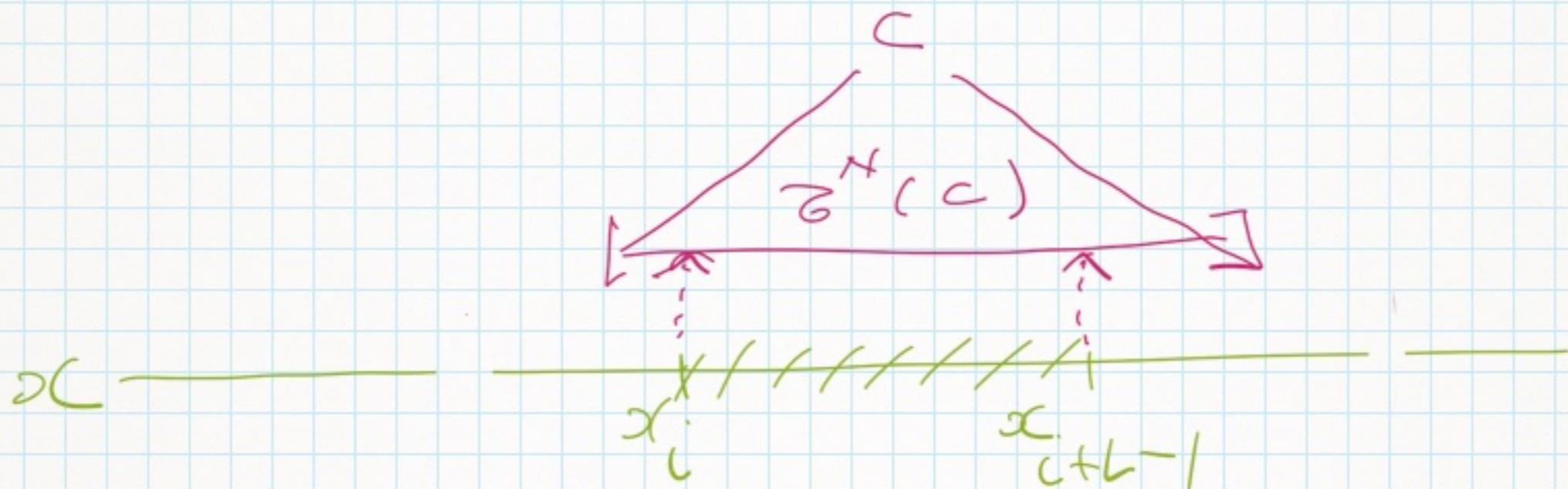
$$w = w_0 \dots w_{L-1} \text{ with } w_i \in \{a, b\}$$

$$\sigma(w_0 \dots w_{L-1}) = \sigma(w_0) \sigma(w_1) \dots \sigma(w_{L-1})$$

It makes sense $\sigma^l = \underbrace{\sigma \circ \dots \circ \sigma}_l$
 l -times.

$$X_\sigma = \left\{ (x_i)_{i \in \mathbb{Z}} \in \{a, b\}^{\mathbb{Z}} \mid \forall i \in \mathbb{Z}, \forall L \geq 0, \exists c \in \{a, b\}, \exists N \geq 0, \right. \\ \left. x_i \dots x_{i+L-1} \subseteq \sigma^N(c) \right\}$$

"to be a subword of"

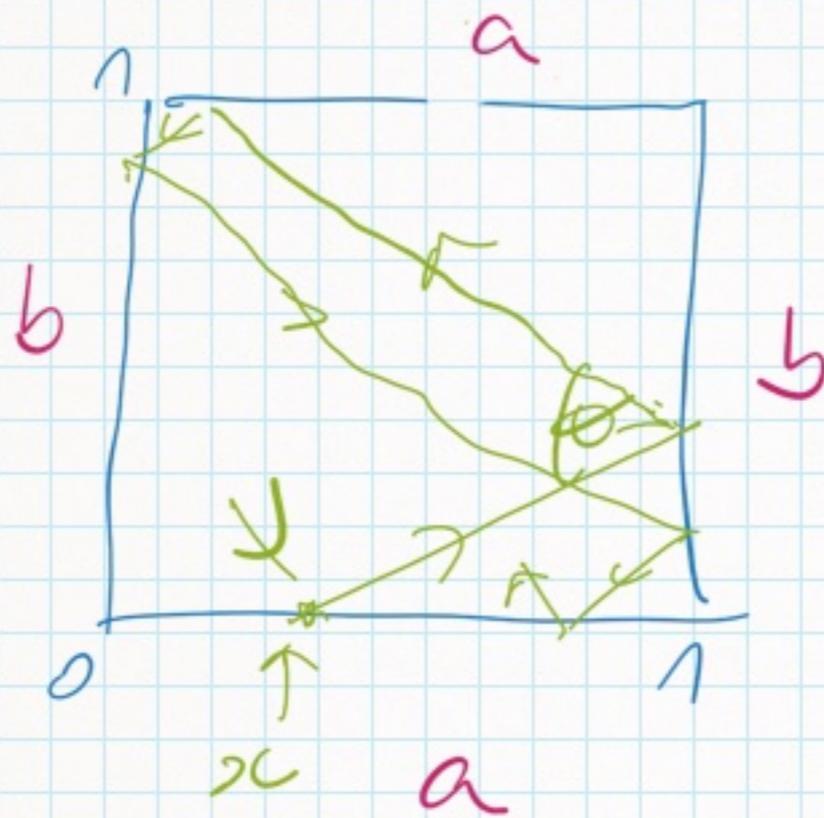


→ closed

→ T invariant

$\Rightarrow (X_\sigma, T)$ is top. dyn. syst.

This example can be constructed geometrically:



good choice of \underline{a} and \underline{b} produce a sequence $(a_i)_{i \in \mathbb{Z}} \in \{a, b\}^{\mathbb{Z}}$ that is in X_B .

Moreover, this sequence has dense orbit in X_B .

Complexity of a sub shift: Given a sub shift (X, τ) the languages associated to X are:

$\rightarrow L_n(X) = \{ \text{finite words of length } n \text{ appearing in points of } X \} \subseteq A^n$

Associated to such $L_n(X)$ we have:

$$P_X(n) = \# \mathcal{L}_n(X)$$

complexity function

In previous examples:

$$\text{SFT} \rightarrow \# \mathcal{L}_n(X) \approx \left(\frac{1+\sqrt{5}}{2} \right)^n$$

high
complexity
symb.
dynamics

$$X_2 \rightarrow \# \mathcal{L}_n(X) = n+1$$

low complexity
symb. dynamics

Theorem (Hedlund-Morse): $\exists (X, T)$ is a subshift

$$\text{is. } \exists N, \forall n \geq N, P_X(n) \leq n \\ \Rightarrow X \text{ is finite.}$$

Exercise

Another way to see that the examples are really different in terms of complexity is "entropy" :

$$h_{\text{top}}(X, T) = \lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{N} \log (P_X^N)$$

↑
topological
entropy

$$= \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \frac{1 + \sqrt{5}}{2} \quad \text{SFT} \\ \text{[Diagram: A rectangle containing a circle on the left and an 'X' over a '2' on the right]} \end{array} \right.$$

↑
invariant for
conjugation

We will live
here in the next
2 talks.



Talk 2:

→ $X \subseteq A^{\mathbb{Z}}$, subshift of closed and shift invariant
where $T: X \rightarrow X$
 \uparrow
 $x = (x_i)_{i \in \mathbb{Z}}$ $(x_i)_{i \in \mathbb{Z}} \mapsto (x_{i+1})_{i \in \mathbb{Z}}$

→ $Z_n(X) = \#$ words of length n appearing in points in X .

→ $P_X(n) = \# Z_n(X)$; $h_{\text{top}}(X, T) = \lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{N} \log(P_X(N))$

↳ typically we will be looking to systems where $h_{\text{top}}(X, T) = 0$

→ Hedlund-Dorsey: $\exists N \geq 1, \# Z_n(X) \leq n$
 $\Rightarrow X$ is finite.

sketch proof: for the n sit. $P_X(n) \leq n$

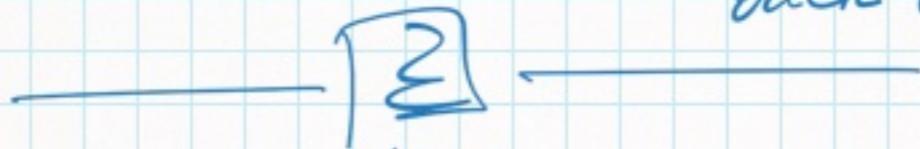
$(P_X(n) = n)$

$$I_n(X) \ni \begin{matrix} \omega_1 & a_1 \\ \omega_2 & a_2 \\ \omega_3 & a_3 \\ \vdots & \vdots \\ \omega_n & a_n \end{matrix}$$

$\underbrace{\hspace{10em}}_{\omega_{j(n)}}$

← continue in a unique way; so you produce a periodic configuration forward;

The same can be said backward



So if X is infinite: $P_X(n) \geq n+1 \quad \forall n \geq 1$

The extreme case: $P_X(n) = n+1 \quad \forall n \geq 1$

name: Sturmian subshift. -

One example is the Fibonacci substitution subshift //

Substitutive Subshifts:

Definition \Rightarrow let A be a finite set and recall
 A^+ is the set of words in alphabet A
and $A^* = A^+ \cup \{\epsilon\}$
 \uparrow
empty word.

\rightarrow The length of $w = w_0 \dots w_{l-1} \in A^+$ is
given by $|w| = l$

\rightarrow A substitution \leftarrow (non erasing) is a map $\sigma: A^+ \rightarrow A^+$:

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \sigma: A^+ & \longrightarrow & A^+ \\ \downarrow & & \downarrow \\ w & \longmapsto & \sigma(w) \end{array}$$

$$w_0 \dots w_{l-1} \Rightarrow \sigma(w_0 \dots w_{l-1}) = \sigma(w_0) \dots \sigma(w_{l-1})$$

So, to define σ is enough to know $\sigma(a)$ for
 $a \in A$.

Fibonacci

$$\sigma(a) = ab$$

$$\sigma(b) = a$$

Dovse

$$\sigma(0) = 01$$

$$\sigma(1) = 10$$

→ We say that \mathcal{Z} is primitive if
for $N > 1$, $\mathcal{Z}^N(a)$ contains all the
letters in A , this for all $a \in A$.

Another way to see the same is by
defining a "matrix associated to \mathcal{Z} ";

$$M_{\mathcal{Z}} \in M_{A \times A}(\mathbb{N}) : \boxed{(M_{\mathcal{Z}})_{ab} = \# \text{ a's in } \mathcal{Z}(b)}$$

In the examples:

Fibonacci: $M_{\mathcal{Z}} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$

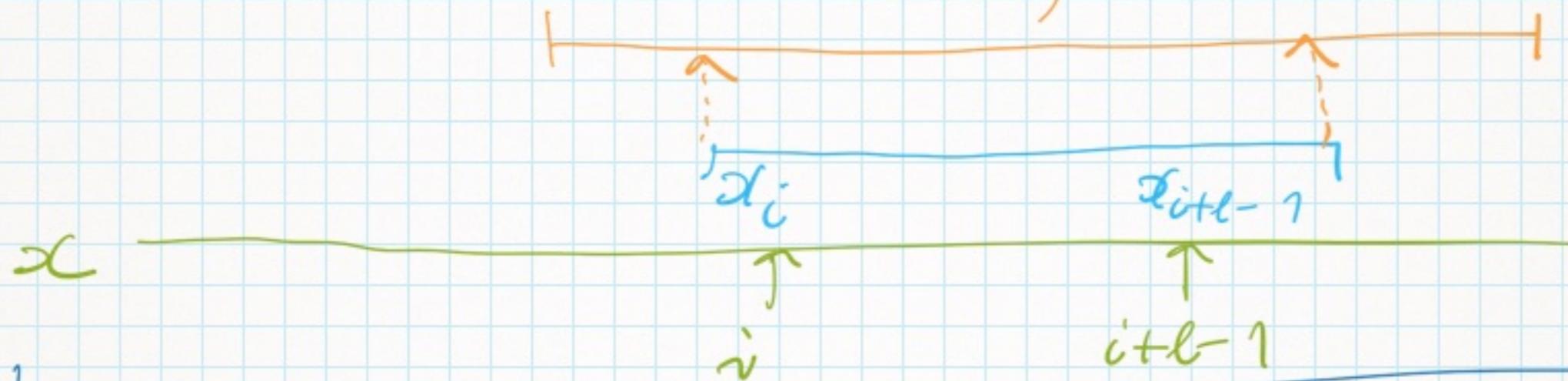
Noise: $M_{\mathcal{Z}} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$

To be primitive means $\exists N > 1: \underline{\underline{M_{\mathcal{Z}}^N > 0}}$

From here we will only consider "primitive substitutions"

Given $\sigma: A^+ \rightarrow A^+$ a p-subst. we define:

$$X_\sigma = \left\{ \alpha = (\alpha_i)_{i \in \mathbb{Z}} \in A^{\mathbb{Z}} \mid \begin{array}{l} \forall i \in \mathbb{Z}, \forall l \geq 1, \exists a \in A, \exists N \geq 1 \\ \alpha_i \dots \alpha_{i+l-1} \stackrel{N}{=} \sigma^N(a) \\ \uparrow \\ \text{subword.} \end{array} \right\}$$

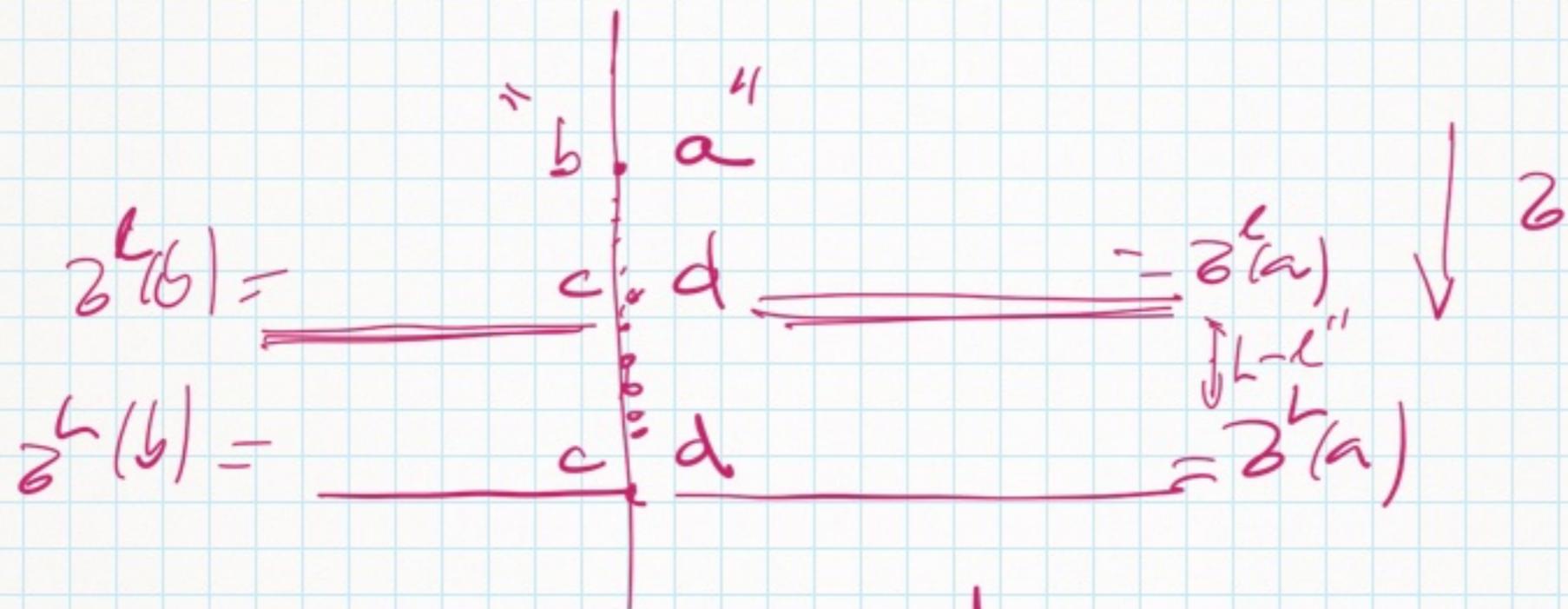


X_σ is clearly dense and shift invariant.

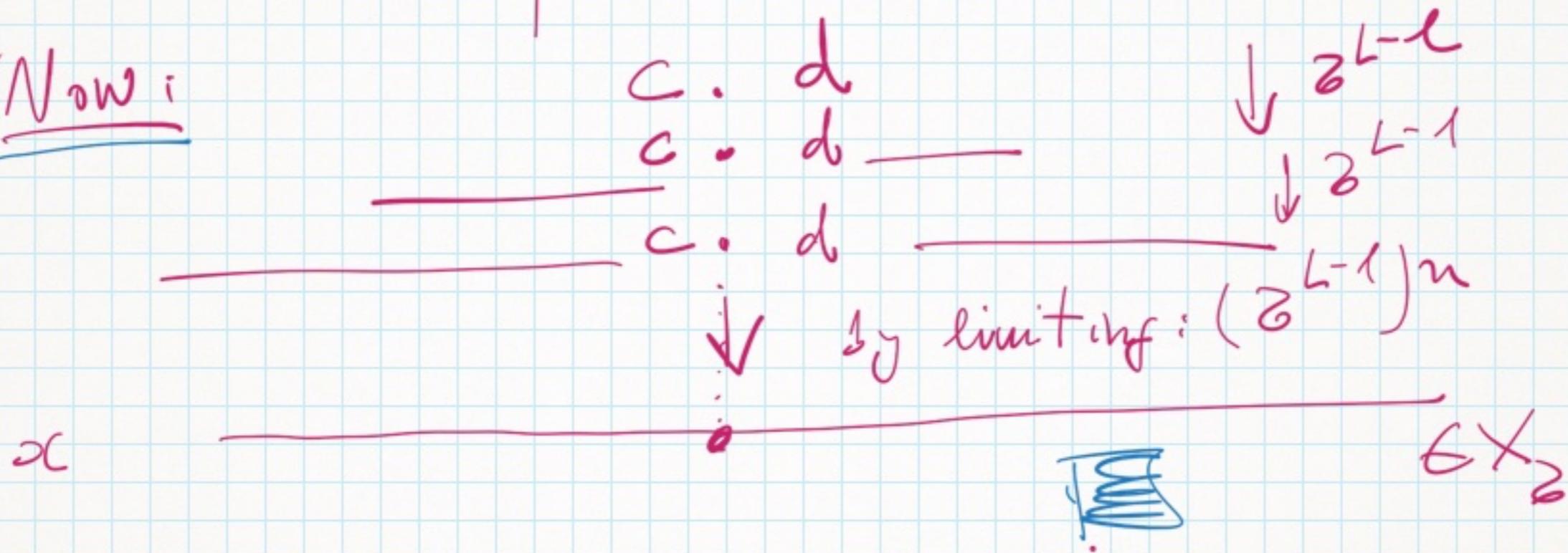
is it non-empty??

Intuitive proof: $\neq \emptyset$:

Consider $\downarrow a \in A^2$ appearing in same $\mathcal{O}^X(a)$,



Now i



α



$\in X_2$

Proposition: (X_σ, T) is minimal (all orbits are dense)

(σ is a primitive substitution).

Proof: \rightarrow what means for a subshift to be minimal?

$\forall x \in X_\sigma, \forall n \geq 1, \forall w \in \mathcal{L}_n(X_\sigma),$

$$\exists i \in \mathbb{Z}, x_i \dots x_{i+|w|-1} = w$$

$\hookrightarrow \exists w \in \mathcal{L}_n(X_\sigma), \exists a \in A, \exists N \geq 1,$
 $w \in \sigma^N(a)$

• Also, we know that for every $i \in \mathbb{Z}$ and $l \geq 1$

$$\exists b \in A, \exists M \geq 1, \underline{x_i \dots x_{i+l-1} \in \sigma^M(b)}$$

since b appears in $\sigma^l(a)$ (by primitivity)
(any letter).

In particular:

$$x_0 \dots x_{i+|w|-1} \in \mathcal{O}^{L+M}(a)$$

b



$$\dots a \dots \in \mathcal{O}^L(b)$$

play h
(as big
as I want)



$$\dots \mathcal{O}^N(a) \dots \in \omega$$

α

Take L enough big st:

$$\boxed{L + N = M}$$

flexible

fix

big

From here we will see ω inside α ~~□~~

Ex: fix the proofs!!

Other questions:

- 1) weak-mixing?
- 2) mixing?
- 3) invariant measures.
- 4) factors...

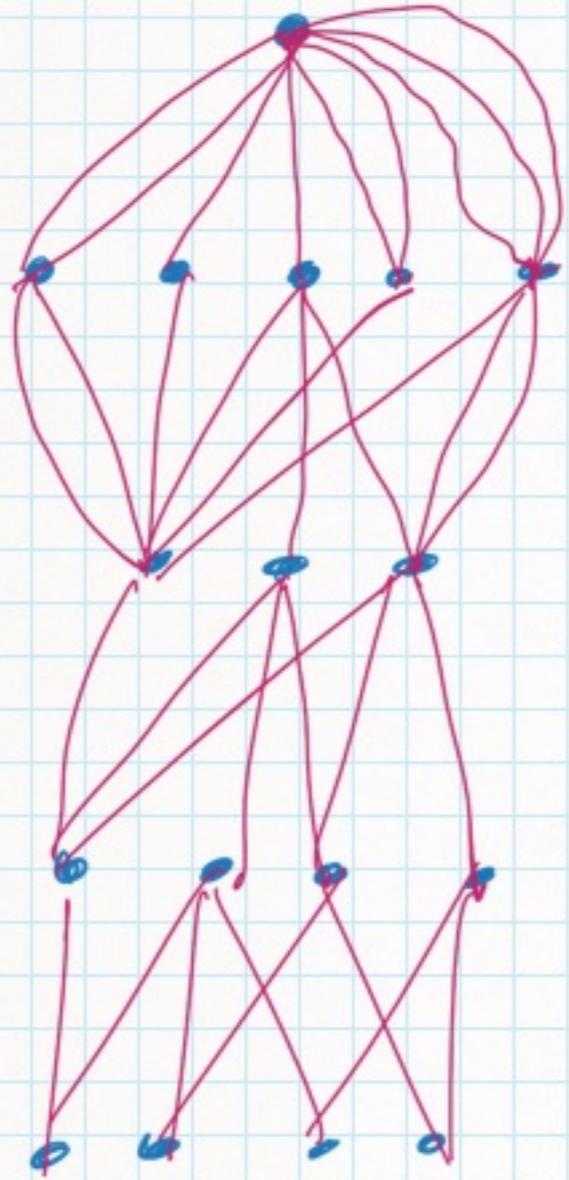
(main references: works of
Fabian Durand)

The way to see these
questions will be via
"Bottelli diagrams"

Bratteli-Vershik representations:

Graph structure:

(Bratteli diagram)



$$V_0 = \{v_0\}$$

$$\leftarrow E_1$$

$$V_1$$

$$\leftarrow E_2$$

$$V_2$$

$$\leftarrow E_3$$

$$V_3$$

$$\leftarrow E_4$$

$$V_4$$

⋮



only many times.

• The diagram is simple

$$\forall n \geq 1 \exists m > n$$

s.t. $\forall u \in V_n, \forall v \in V_m$

\exists path of edges

from u to v .

(consequence is that;

to any vertex of

level $n \geq 1$

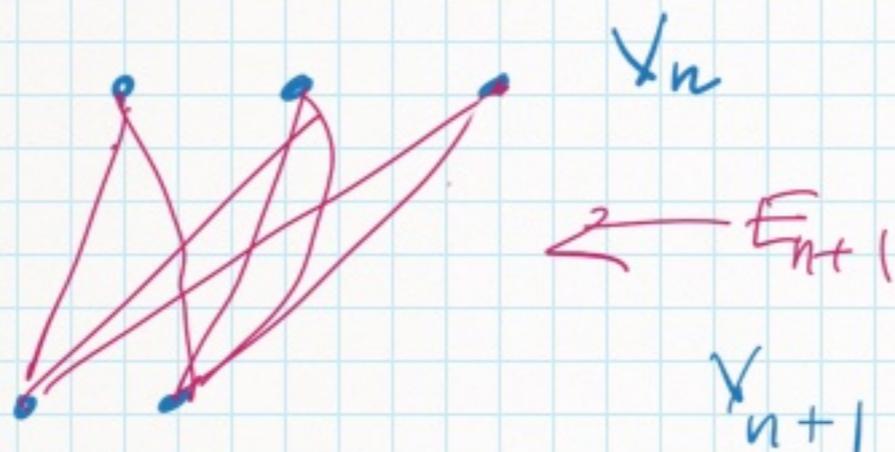
converges edges

and starts edges



All our Bratteli diagrams will be simple

Algebraic objects:



$$M^{(n+1)} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 2 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$M^{(n+1)} \in M_{V_n \times V_{n+1}}(\mathbb{N})$$

$$M_{u,v}^{(n+1)} = \# \text{ edges between } u \in V_n \text{ and } v \in V_{n+1}$$

given Bratteli diagram: $(M^{(n)}; n \geq 1)$

obs. $M^{(n)}$ is a row vector: $n^{(n)} = [\dots] = \#(n)$ hat of diagram

So we do the following:

$$H(1) \cdot M^{(2)} = H(2) = \begin{bmatrix} v \in V_2 \\ \uparrow \\ \# \text{ paths from } v_0 \text{ to } v. \end{bmatrix}$$

$V_0 \times V_1 \quad V_1 \times V_2 \quad V_0 \times V_2$

$$H(2) \cdot M^{(2)} \cdot M^{(3)} = H(3)$$

$V_0 \times V_1 \quad V_1 \times V_2 \quad V_2 \times V_3 \quad V_0 \times V_3$

$$\boxed{H(n) = H(1) \cdot M^{(2)} \cdots M^{(n)}} \in \mathcal{M}_{V_0 \times V_n}(\mathbb{N})$$

$\rightarrow \{ H(n) : n \geq 1 \} \Leftarrow$ heights of Brattli diagram.

Simplicity means that: $\forall n \in \mathbb{N} \exists m > n : \prod_{i=n}^m M^{(i)} > 0$

2) Space:

$$X \subseteq E_1 \times E_2 \times E_3 \times \dots$$

$$\{ (e_i)_{i \geq 1} \in \prod_{i \geq 1} E_i \mid \forall i \geq 1, t(e_i) = s(e_{i+1}) \}$$

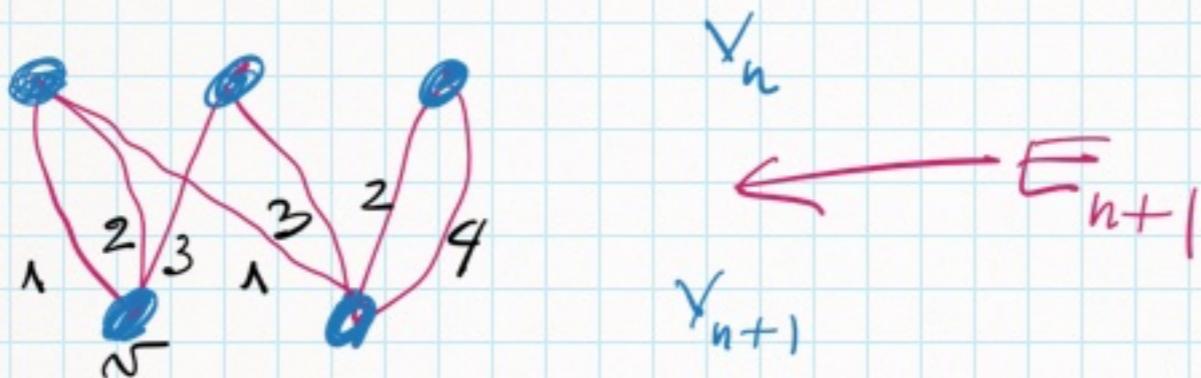
↑ terminal vertex ↑ start vertex.

infinite paths starting in $\underline{v_0}$ that we can draw in the Bratteli diagram.

For product topology of discrete spaces

X is compact, metrizable.

3) Dynamics on the Bratteli diagram:



To each $n \geq 0$, $v \in V_{n+1}$, we order locally the edges $e \in \bar{E}_{n+1}$ s.t. $t(e) = v$.

Crucial property: We say the local orders produce a Bratteli diagram that "properly order" if:

$\exists! \partial C^- = (e_i^-)_{i \geq 1} \in X$: all e_i^- are minimal for local order

$\exists! \partial C^+ = (e_i^+)_{i \geq 1} \in X$: all e_i^+ are max for local order.

From now we will be handling:

simple Bratteli diagrams that are properly ordered,

with those conditions we can define a dynamics on X_i

$$x = \overbrace{e_1 \ e_2 \ e_3 \ \dots \ e_{l-1}}^{\text{max for local order.}} \ \boxed{e_l} \quad \begin{array}{l} \downarrow \text{first time } e_l \text{ is} \\ \text{not max for} \\ \text{local order} \end{array}$$

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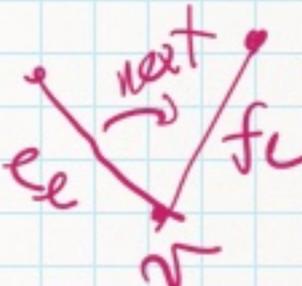
$$T(x) = \underbrace{f_1 \ f_2 \ f_3 \ \dots \ f_{l-1}}_{\text{uniform min for local order}} \ \underbrace{f_l \ e_{l+1} \ \dots}_{\text{next edge}}$$

next edge

in the local order

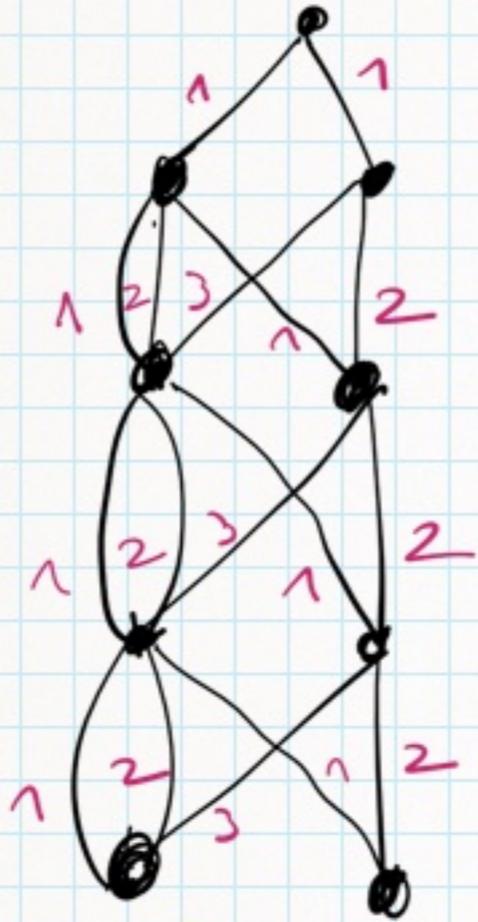
of the edges arriving

to $\underline{t(e_l)} = v$.



$$T(x^+) = x^-$$

2)



$$M^{(1)} = H^{(1)} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$M^{(2)} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$M^{(3)} = M^{(2)}$$

$$\vec{x}_i = (1 \ 1 \ 1 \ 1 \ \dots)$$

$$\vec{y}_i = (1 \ 2 \ 2 \ 2 \ \dots)$$

Substitution
Subshift

"This diagram is simple and properly ordered; so we can define (X, T) as before."

"This kind of representations are called: ~~Brattli~~-Verdub systems"

Theorem: "The class
Substitutive subshifts
arising from "primitive substitutes"

is equivalent (conjugation)

to the class of Bratteli-Vershik systems

where all layers (upto the first one)

are identical (stationary

Bratteli-Vershik
systems)

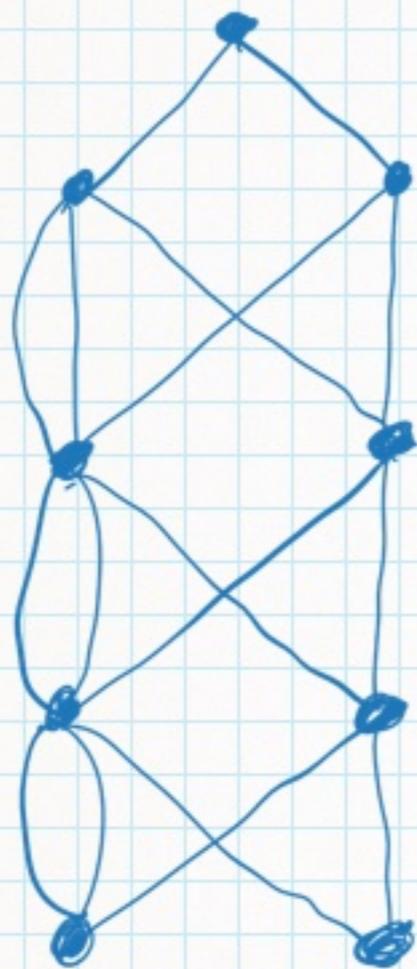
(when τ is not an odometer)

(Fabien Durand - B. Host - C. Skau).

Talk 3: we will prove unique ergodicity,
and study weak-mixing of
substitution subshifts with
such structures. — ~~□~~

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Recall:



$$v_0 = \{v_0\}$$

$$\leftarrow E_1$$

 v_1

$$\leftarrow E_2$$

 v_2

$$\leftarrow E_3$$

 v_3

$$\leftarrow E_4$$

 v_4
 \vdots

$$M^{(1)} = H(n) = \sum_{v \in V_1} \left[\begin{array}{c} v \\ \leftarrow \end{array} \right]$$

edges from v_0 to v

$$M^{(2)} \in M_{V_1 \times V_2}(N)$$

$$M^{(3)} \in M_{V_2 \times V_3}(N)$$

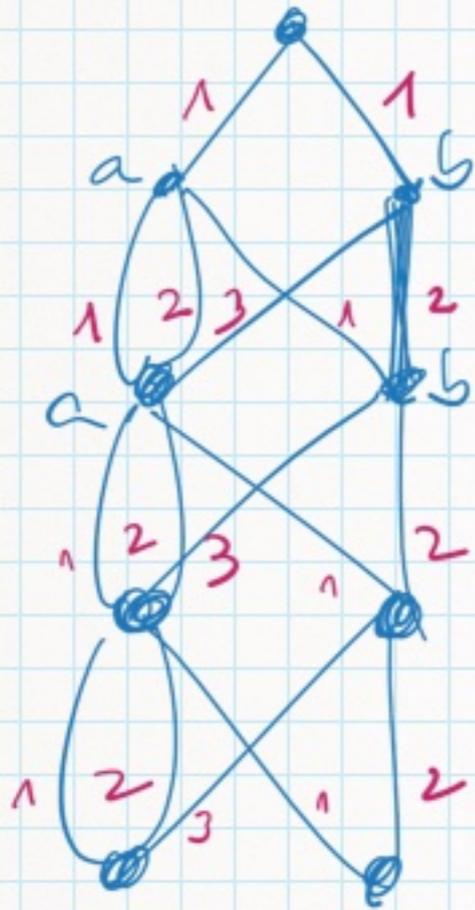
 \vdots

$$H(n) = H(n) M^{(2)} \dots M^{(n)}$$

Algebraic condition: "Simple": $\forall n \geq 0, \exists m > n,$

$$P^{(n,m)} = M^{(n+1)} \dots M^{(m)} > 0$$

II order:



Dynamics:

$$x = \underbrace{e_1, e_2, \dots, e_{l-1}}_{\text{all maximum}} \quad \boxed{e_l} \quad e_{l+1}, \dots$$

$$T(x) = \underbrace{f_1, f_2, \dots, f_{l-1}}_{\text{all minimum}} \quad f_l \quad e_{l+1}, \dots$$

first von maximum



folger of e_l in the local order

$$T(x^+) = x^-$$

X infinite paths from \mathbb{N}_0 .

Top-Dyn-System.

condition: "properly ordered"

$$\exists! x^- = (e_i^-)_{i \geq 1}, \quad \exists! x^+ = (e_i^+)_{i \geq 1}$$

↑
minimum for the local order

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maximum for the local order.

Exercise: (X, Π) is minimal.

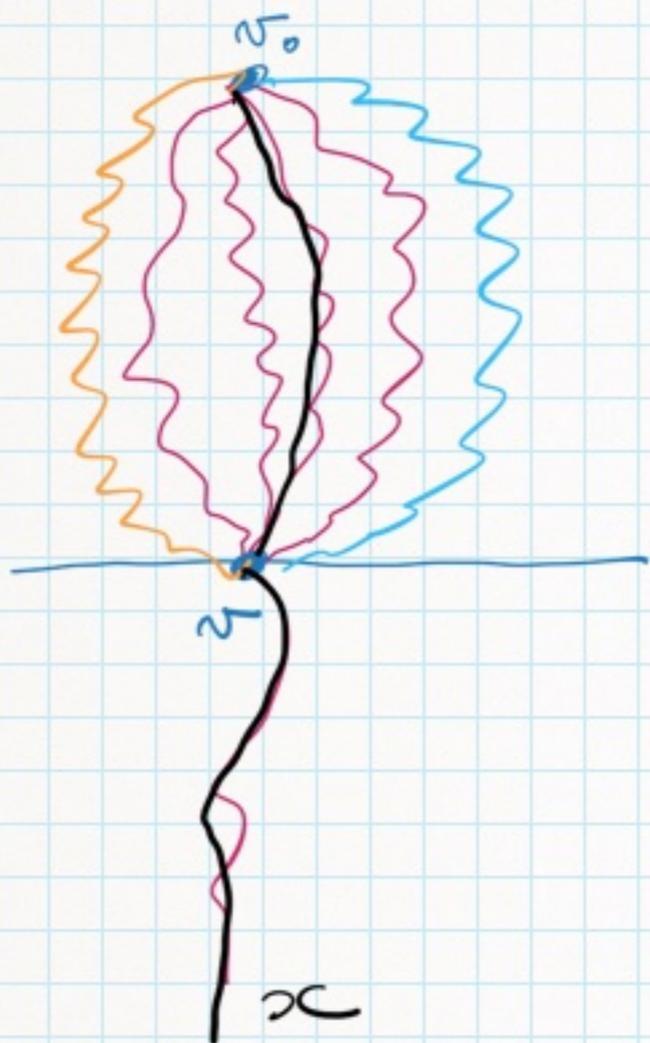
(we are assuming simplicity and proper order)

Theorem: Stationary Bratteli-Vershik systems
are "substitution subshifts" (with primitive substitutions).

In the example the substitution is:

$$\begin{aligned} z(a) &= aab \\ z(b) &= ab \end{aligned}$$

How to understand invariant measures:



- m \rightarrow m_{\min}
- m \rightarrow m_{\max}

\otimes - T moves the path m to m covering all paths in between.

- each path e_1, \dots, e_n starting in v_0 and ending in $v \in V_n$ define a Borel set (closed and open set) of X :

$$[e_1, \dots, e_n]_0$$

- By $(*)$, if μ is an invariant prob. measure then:

$$(**) \quad \mu([e_1, \dots, e_n]) = \mu([f_1, \dots, f_n])$$

\forall path joining v_0 and $v \in V_n$

Since the σ -algebra \mathcal{B}_X (Borel one) is generated by

$$\{ [e_1 \dots e_n]_0 \}$$

$n \geq 1, e_1 \dots e_n$ a path from ν_0 to $\nu \in X_n$

then μ is completely determined if we know all: $\mu([e_1 \dots e_n]_0)$. Since (***) the measure μ is determined by vectors

$$\mu^{(n)} = (\mu_{\nu}^{(n)}([e_1 \dots e_n]_0) : \nu \in X_n) \leftarrow \begin{array}{l} \text{column} \\ \text{vector} \end{array}$$

↑ any path from ν_0 to $\nu \in X_n$

$$\mu^{(n)} = \begin{pmatrix} \vdots \\ \mu_{\nu}^{(n)} \\ \vdots \end{pmatrix}$$

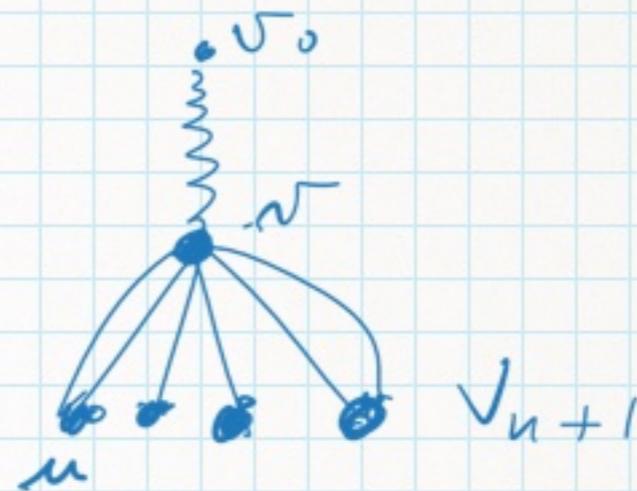
$$H^{(n)} \cdot \mu^{(n)} = 1 \quad (A_n)$$

↑ values in $[0, 1]$

Relation of $\mu^{(n)} |_{S_i}$

$\forall v \in Y_n$:

$$\mu^{(n)}_v = \sum_{u \in Y_{n+1}} M_{vu}^{(n+1)} \cdot \mu^{(n+1)}_u$$



\Rightarrow $(\Delta)_2$

$$\begin{matrix} \boxed{M^{(n)} = M^{(n+1)} \cdot \mu^{(n+1)}} \\ \left[\begin{array}{ccc} Y_n \times 1 & Y_n \times Y_{n+1} & Y_{n+1} \times 1 \end{array} \right] \end{matrix}$$

(If the collection of $\mu^{(n)}$'s verifies $(\Delta)_S$ by extensions then product a unique prob. measure on \mathcal{B}_X)

By considering several stages:

$$\frac{n \ll m}{\text{---}}$$

$$\mu^{(m)} = \underbrace{M^{(n+1)} \cdots M^{(m-1)}}_{P(n,m)} M^{(m)} \mu^{(m)}$$

Suppose: all $n^{(n)} = A > 0$ (case of substitution subshifts)

$\forall n < m$

\Rightarrow

$$\mu^{(n)} = A^{m-n} \mu^{(m)}$$

Perron-Frobenius Th.

$\forall n, \mu^{(n)} \in \langle \sqrt[n]{A} \rangle$

↑ vector generating the eigen space associated to λ_A , the P-F eigen value of A .

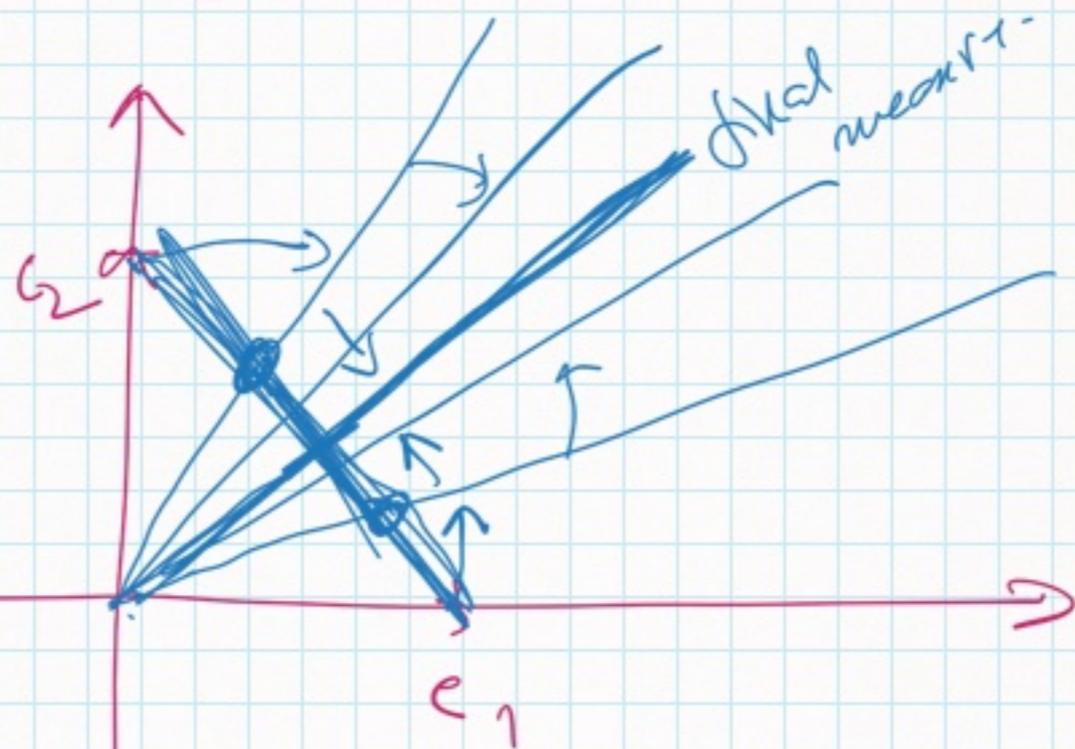
$\Rightarrow \mu^{(n)} = d_n \sqrt[n]{A}$, but: $\mathbb{H}^{(n)} \cdot \mu^{(n)} = 1 \Rightarrow d_n = \frac{1}{\mathbb{H}^{(n)} \cdot \lambda_A}$

Clearly:

$$\begin{aligned} A (\alpha_{n+1} \sqrt{A}) &= \alpha_{n+1} \lambda_A \sqrt{A} \\ \hline &= \frac{1}{H(n+1) \cdot \sqrt{A}} \cdot \cancel{\lambda_A} \sqrt{A} \\ &\quad \cup \\ &\quad \dots \quad \underbrace{H(n) \cdot H(n+1) \cdot \sqrt{A}}_{\cancel{\lambda_A} \sqrt{A}} \\ &= \frac{1}{H(n) \cdot \sqrt{A}} \cdot \sqrt{A} = \alpha_n \sqrt{A} \\ &= \underline{\underline{\mu^{(n)}}} \end{aligned}$$

Conclusion: Any Bratteli-Vershik system (X, T) where $\rho^{(n)} = A > 0$ $\forall n \geq 1$ is uniquely ergodic.

This is the case of "substitution
subshifts".



$K_{\mathbb{R}^2}$ produce one of \mathbb{R}^2 .

$\underbrace{\mu^{(n+1)} \dots \mu^{(n)} \mu^{(n-1)}}$

Exercise: Assume (X, T) is a Bratteli-Vershik system where " $\Pi^{(n)}$ " belongs to a finite set of > 0 matrices.

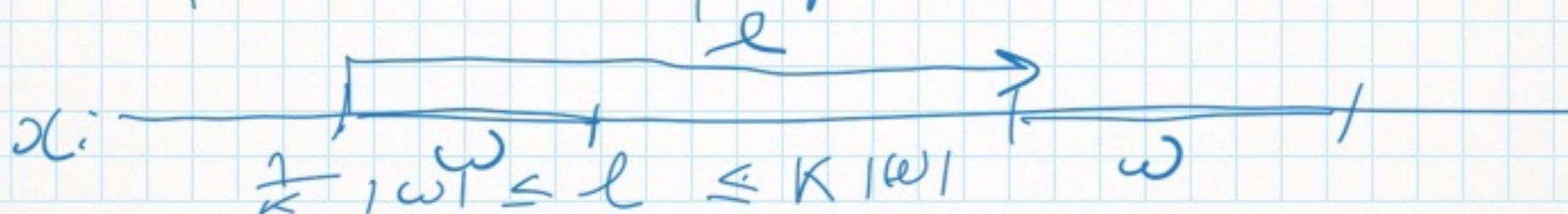
Then, (X, T) is uniquely ergodic.

The systems like \uparrow are called "linearly recurrent subshifts" (substitutions are here)

$\rightarrow X \subseteq A^{\mathbb{Z}}$ minimal subshifts s.t.

$\forall w \in \mathcal{L}(X)$, repetitions of w in points of X occur proportionally to the length of w , and this proportion is "universal".

FK:



A general class of Bratteli-Vershik systems containing substation subshifts and LR subshifts is the one of "topological finite rank systems":

(X, T) a Bratteli-Vershik system is top. FR.

iff 1) $\forall n \geq 1, M^{(n)} > 0$;

2) $\#V_n = L \quad \forall n \geq 1$;

\uparrow
rank

number of vertices is bounded
 $\#V_n \leq L \quad \forall n \geq 1$

Theorem: (Dowdrowicz/P.)

If (X, T) is top. FR. then it is

either a subshift or an odometer

\rightarrow (conjugate)

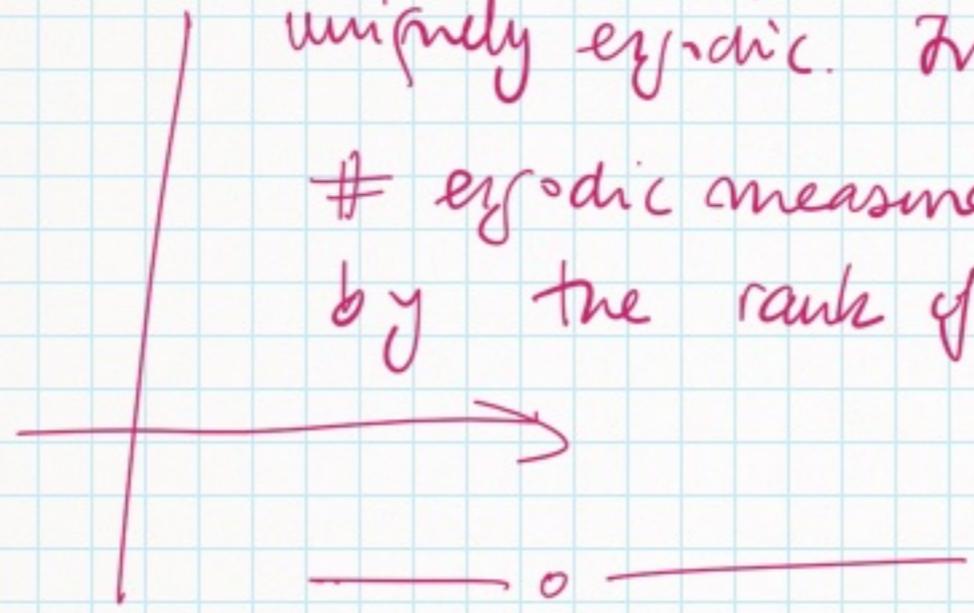
Th: (Dorand-Davaso-D. - Fetite)

If (X, T) is a subshift s.t.

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{P_X(n)}{n} < K$$

\Rightarrow is of top. FR.

Comment: there are topFR systems that are not uniquely ergodic. In fact, # ergodic measures here is bounded by the rank of the system (ℓ)



"Top"
X

Weak-mixing property in top. finite rank systems

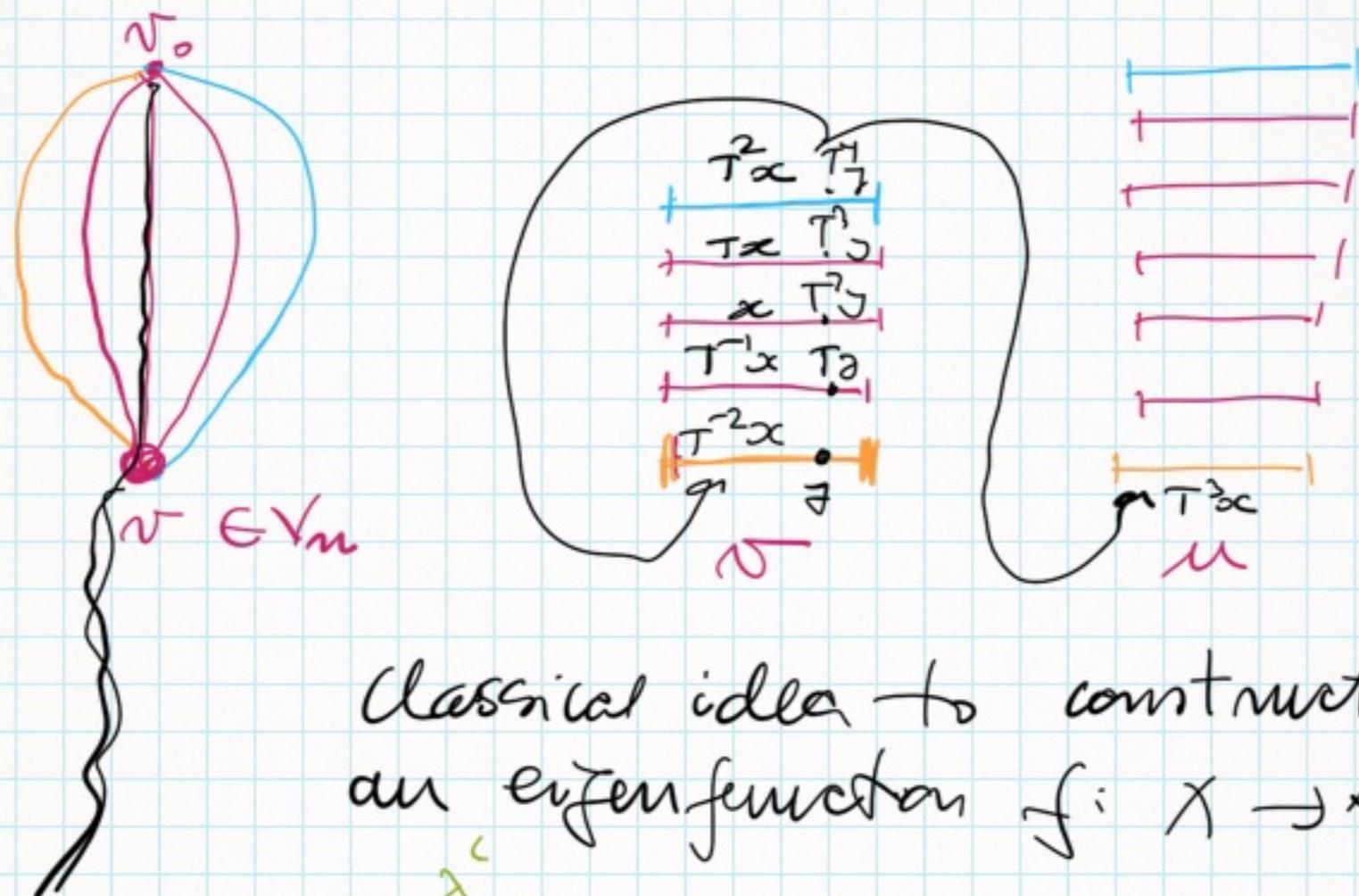
In this class, where all systems are minimal, WN means to do not have continuous eigenvalues

($f: X \rightarrow \mathbb{S}^1$ continuous, s.t. $f \circ T = \lambda f$
↑
eigenvalue)

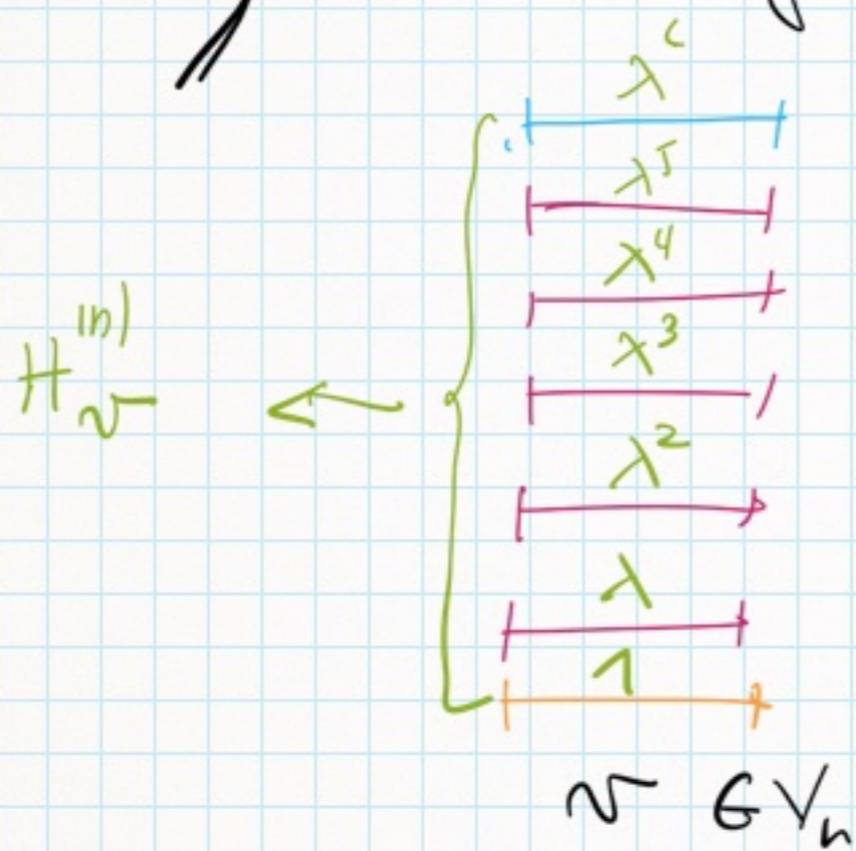
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eigenfunction
related to λ

$$\lambda \in \mathbb{S}^1 = \{z \in \mathbb{C} \mid |z| = 1\}$$

how to address this problem:



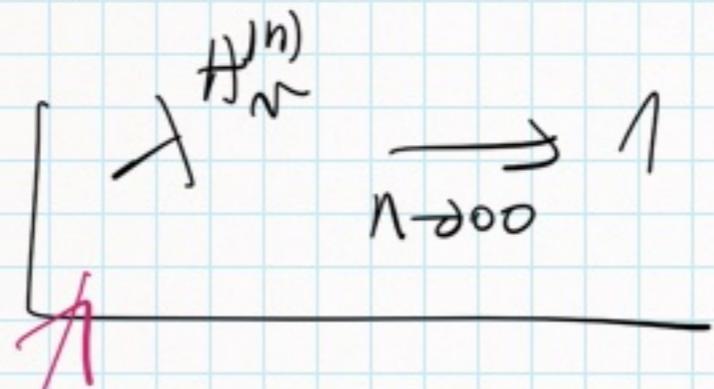
classical idea to construct an eigenfunction $f: X \rightarrow S^1$:



- $f_n(\lambda)$ is constant at each stage of each tower:

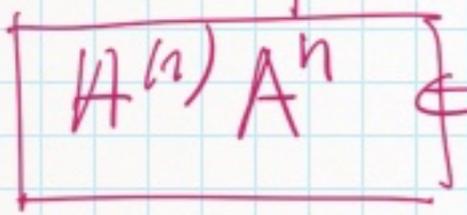
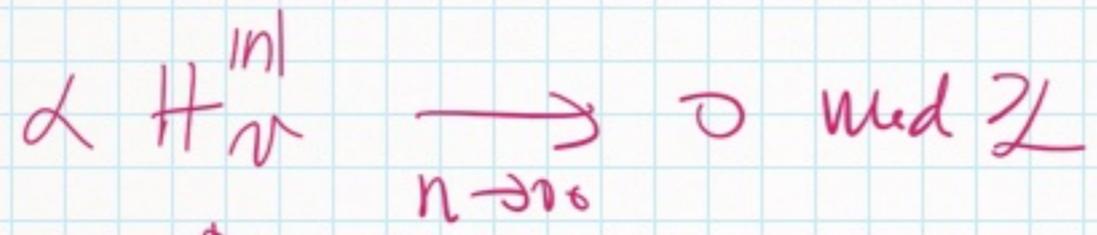
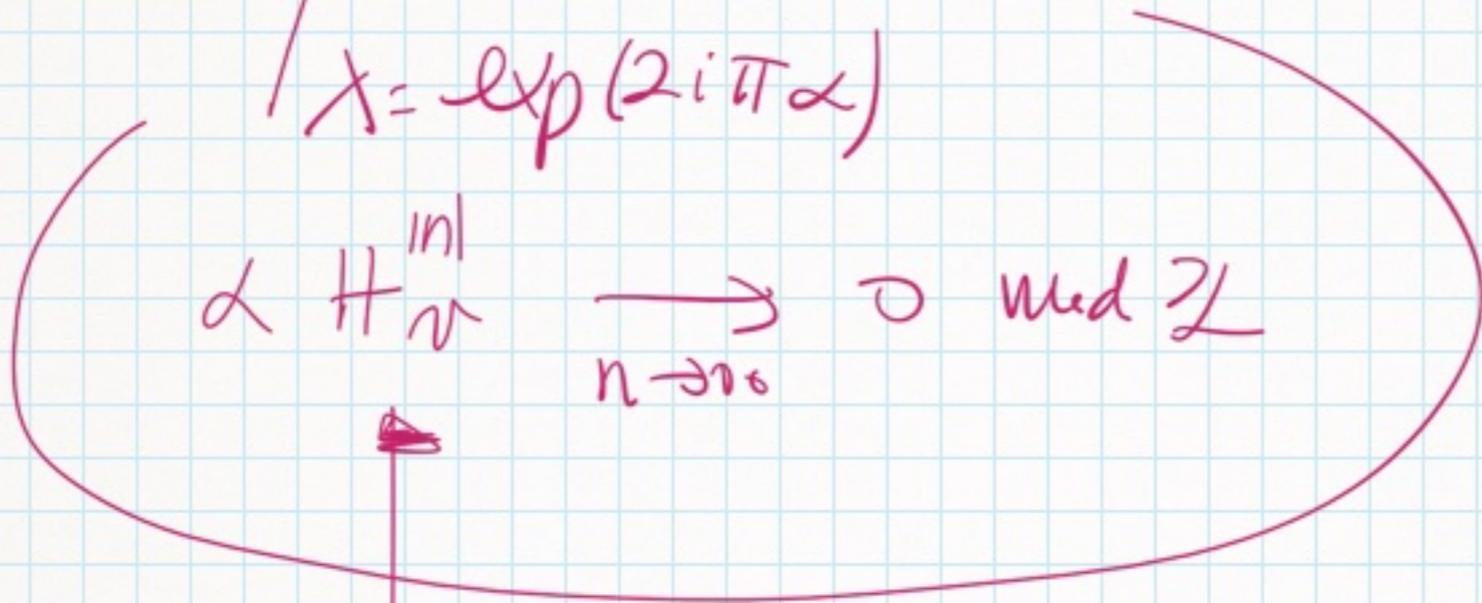
- See if $f_n \xrightarrow{n \rightarrow \infty} f$
 good topology of $C(X)$
 if true $f \circ T = \lambda f$.

to have a good approximation on a condition that appears is that:



$\forall v \in X_n$
 (if finite rank. $V_n = V$
 $\forall n \geq 1$)

$\lambda = \exp(2i\pi\alpha)$



Study using
 Perron-Frobenius.

If (X, T) is a substitution subshift
we have $|D^n| = A > 0 \quad \forall n \geq 1$.

$$H^n = H^{n-1} A$$

\Rightarrow $\| \alpha H^{n-1} A^{n-1} \|$
 $\| \alpha H^n A^n \|$ both go to ϕ
exponentially when
this happens.

So λ be continuous & measurable
eigen value is the same

Th. (Host): \uparrow many years before.

TODAY: (Durand-Franck η). We conditions
for top FR subshifts; but more involved. use the
order //

→ LR: (D. Randall) → top. FR systems (B. Espinoza)
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⊙ finitely many symbolic factors

→ FR_{top}: (B. Espinoza, N.)

$\text{Aut}(X, T)$ is finite

↑ $\mathbb{Z} = \langle \text{powers of shift} \rangle$

$\phi: X \rightarrow X$ homeomorphisms

s.t. $\phi \circ T = T \circ \phi$

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"END"

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