# Patterns generation problems arising in multiplicative integer systems

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### **1** Introduction

### 1.1 Some known results

Multiple ergodic average:

Let (X, T) be a topological dynamical system and  $2 \le l \in \mathbb{N}$  be a positive integer. The **multiple ergodic av**erage

$$\frac{1}{n}\sum_{k=1}^{n} f_1(T^kx)f_2(T^{2k}x)\cdots f_l(T^{lk}x),$$

where  $f_1, \ldots, f_l$  are l given continuous functions.

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**A. H. Fan, L. M. Liao and J. H. Ma**, *Monatshefte für Mathematik* (2011) : If

$$f_1(x) = f_2(x) = \cdots = f_l(x) = x_1,$$

and  $X \subseteq \mathbb{D}$ , where

$$\mathbb{D}=\left\{ +1,-1
ight\} ^{\mathbb{N}}.$$

Define

$$Y_{\alpha} = \left\{ x \in \mathbb{D} : \lim_{n \to \infty} \frac{1}{n} \sum_{k=1}^{n} x_k x_{2k} \cdots x_{lk} = \alpha \right\},$$

then  $\forall lpha \in [-1, 1]$ 

$$\dim_H Y_{\alpha} = 1 - \frac{1}{l} + \frac{1}{l}H(\frac{1+\alpha}{2}),$$

where

$$H(t) = -t \log_2 t - (1 - t) \log_2 (1 - t).$$

Let

$$X \subseteq \mathbb{E} = \left\{ \mathsf{0}, \mathsf{1} 
ight\}^{\mathbb{N}},$$

 $\quad \text{and} \quad$ 

$$Z_{\alpha} = \left\{ x \in \mathbb{E} : \lim_{n \to \infty} \frac{1}{n} \sum_{k=1}^{n} x_k x_{2k} \cdots x_{lk} = \alpha \right\},$$

with simplified form l=2 and  $\alpha=$  0, that is

$$\widehat{Z}_{\mathbf{0}} = \{x \in \mathbb{E}: \ x_n x_{2n} = \mathbf{0} \ \forall n\}$$
 ,

and show that

$$\dim_B(\widehat{Z}_0) = \frac{1}{2\log 2} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{\log a_n}{2^n} \approx 0.8242936...,$$

**R. Kenyon, Y. Peres and B. Solomyak**, Ergodic Theory Dynam. Sys. (2011):

$$\dim_H(\widehat{Z}_0) = -\log_2 p = 0.81137...,$$

where

$$p^{3} = (1 - p)^{2}, 0$$

Furthermore,

$$\dim_H \widehat{Z}_0 < \dim_B \widehat{Z}_0.$$

**Y. Peres, J. Schmeling, S. Seuret and B. Solomyak**, (2012): Consider

$$\mathbb{E}_m = \{0, \ldots, m-1\}^{\mathbb{N}}, \Omega \subseteq \mathbb{E}_m.$$

Let

$$S = \langle p_1, \dots, p_J \rangle$$

be the semigroup generated by distinct primes  $p_1, \ldots, p_J$ 

$$Z_{oldsymbol{\Omega}}^{(S)} = \{x \in \mathbb{E}_m: \; x|_{iS} \in oldsymbol{\Omega} \; orall i, \; (i,S) = oldsymbol{1}\}$$
 ,

they present the Minkowski dimension formula and variational principle for Hausdorff dimension of  $Z_{\Omega}^{(S)}$ .

#### **Remark** :

(i). **Different approach** on for some multi-dimensional systems.

(ii). Combinatorial method leads us to consider more general MS, e.g., coupled systems.

(iii). Based on the previous work of **patterns generation problems** for  $\mathbb{Z}^d$  SFT.

### 1.2 Set up

(A. H. Fan, R. Kenyon, L. M. Liao, J. H. Ma, Y. Peres and B. Solomyak, J. Schmeling and S. Seuret) Consider

 $\mathbb{X}_{2}^{0} = \left\{ (x_{1,}x_{2},\cdots) \in \{0,1\}^{\mathbb{N}} : x_{k}x_{2k} = 0, \forall k \geq 1 \right\};$  $\mathbb{X}_{2,3}^{0} = \left\{ (x_{1,}x_{2},\cdots) \in \{0,1\}^{\mathbb{N}} : x_{k}x_{2k}x_{3k} = 0, \forall k \geq 1 \right\}.$ 

**Goal** : Compute  $h(\mathbb{X}_2^0)$  or  $h(\mathbb{X}_{2,3}^0)$ .

Note :

$$\mathsf{dim}_M(\mathbb{X}) = rac{1}{\log N}h(\mathbb{X})$$
,

where N is the number of the symbols of the system X.

### **1.3 Three types multiple shifts**

### **Multi-dimensional system** :

$$\mathbb{X}_{2,3}^{0} = \left\{ (x_{1}, x_{2}, \ldots) \in \{0, 1\}^{\mathbb{N}} : x_{k} x_{2k} x_{3k} = 0, \ k \ge 1 \right\}.$$

#### **Coupled systems** :

$$\mathbb{X}_2^A=\{(x_1,x_2,\ldots)\in \mathbf{\Sigma}_A: x_kx_{2k}=\mathbf{0}, \ k\geq \mathbf{1}\}$$
, i.e., $\mathbb{X}_2^A=\mathbb{X}_2^\mathbf{0}\cap \mathbf{\Sigma}_A.$ 

**Multi-dimensional coupled systems** :

$$\mathbb{X}^{A}_{2,3} = \{(x_1, x_2, \ldots) \in \mathbf{\Sigma}_A : x_k x_{2k} x_{3k} = \mathbf{0}, \ k \geq \mathbf{1}\},$$
ie.,

$$\mathbb{X}_{2,3}^A = \mathbb{X}_{2,3}^0 \cap \Sigma_A.$$

### 1.4 The approach of Fan, Liao and Ma

For  $k \geq 1$ ,

 $Z_k$  : the blank lattice of k cells in  $\mathbb{Z}^1$ ;

 $M_k$  : the numbered lattices of the first k elements in  $\mathbb{M}_2$  on  $Z_k;$ 

 $iM_k$  : the numbered lattices of the first k elements in  $i\mathbb{M}_2$  on  $Z_k$ ;

$$\mathcal{N}(2^n) = \bigcup_{i \in \mathcal{I}, 1 \leq i \leq 2^n} i M_{k_n(i)},$$



Figure 1:  $\mathcal{I}_2$  and  $\mathbb{M}_2$ 

where  $\mathcal{N}(m) := \{k \in \mathbb{N} : 1 \leq k \leq m\}$  and  $k_n(i) = \max\left\{k : i2^k \leq 2^n
ight\}$ 

**Proposition :** For integer  $Q \ge 2$  and  $n \ge 1$ ,

$$Q^{n} = (n+1) + n(Q-2) + (Q-1)^{2} \sum_{k=1}^{n-1} kQ^{n-1-k}$$

In particular,

$$2^n = (n+1) + \sum_{k=1}^{n-1} k 2^{n-1-k}$$

• 
$$X_m = \left\{ \begin{array}{c} (x_1, \dots, x_m) \in \{0, 1\}^{\mathbb{Z}_m} : x_k x_{2k} = 0, \\ \text{for all } k \ge 1, \ 2k \le m \end{array} \right\}.$$

• 
$$h(\mathbb{X}_2^0) = \lim_{m \to \infty} \frac{1}{m} \log |X_m|$$

**Constraint :**  $x_k x_{2k} = 0 \Leftrightarrow$  The forbidden set on  $Z_2$  is 11.

**Theorem :** For any  $Q \ge 2$ , denote the multiplicative integer system

 $\mathbb{X}_Q^0 = \left\{ (x_1, x_2 \ldots) \in \{0, 1\}^{\mathbb{N}} : x_k x_{Qk} = 0 \ \forall k \ge 1 \right\},$  then

$$h(\mathbb{X}_Q^0) = (Q-1)^2 \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{Q^{k+1}} \log a_k.$$

### **1.5** Main ingredient of the study on $\mathbb{X}_2^0$

(I). Identify the numbered lattice  $M_k$  in  $Z_k$  from the given system.

(II). **Compute the numbers of copies** of independent admissible lattices of the same length.

(III). Determine the set of all admissible patterns  $\Sigma_k$ , which can be generated on  $Z_k$ , and compute the number of  $|\Sigma_k|$ .

# 2 Multi-dimensional systems

**Goal** : Study the entropy of MDSs.

### 2.1 Step (I)

**Goal** : Identify the admissible numbered and blank lattices determined by the constraint  $x_k x_{2k} x_{3k} = 0$  in  $\mathbb{X}_{2,3}^0$ .

- Grouping lattices :  $\mathbb{M}_{2,3} := \left\{ 2^k 3^l : k, l \geq 0 \right\}$  ;
- Decomposition of  $\mathbb{N}$  :

$$\mathbb{N} = \bigcup_{i \in \mathcal{I}_{2,3}} i \mathbb{M}_{2,3}$$

243	486	972	1944	3888	7776	$q_{27}$	$q_{33}$	$q_{40}$	$q_{47}$	$q_{55}$	$q_{64}$
81	162	324	648	1296	2592	$q_{19}$	$q_{24}$	$q_{30}$	$q_{36}$	$q_{43}$	$q_{51}$
27	54	108	216	432	864	$q_{12}$	$q_{16}$	$q_{21}$	$q_{26}$	$q_{32}$	$q_{39}$
9	18	36	72	144	288	$q_7$	$q_{10}$	$q_{14}$	$q_{18}$	$q_{23}$	$q_{29}$
3	6	12	24	48	96	$q_3$	$q_5$	$q_8$	$q_{11}$	$q_{15}$	$q_{20}$
1	2	4	8	16	32	$q_1$	$q_2$	$q_4$	$q_6$	$q_9$	$q_{13}$

Figure 2:  $\mathbb{M}_{2,3}$ 

• Leading number :  $\mathcal{I}_{2,3} = \{n \in \mathbb{N} : 2 \nmid n \text{ and } 3 \nmid n\}$ =  $\{6k + 1, 6k + 5\}_{k=0}^{\infty} = \{1, 5, 7, 11, \ldots\}.$ 



Figure 3:  $\mathbb{N} = \bigcup_{i \in \mathcal{I}_{2,3}} i\mathbb{M}_{2,3}$ 

• Decomposition of  $\mathcal{N}(q_K)$  :

$$\mathcal{N}(q_K) = \bigcup_{i \in I_K(k)} iM_K,$$

where  $q_K = 2^m 3^n \in \mathbb{M}_{2,3}$ .



Figure 4:  $M_1$  to  $M_{15}$ 

• 
$$I_K(k) = \left(\frac{q_K}{q_{k+1}}, \frac{q_K}{q_k}\right] \cap \mathcal{I}_{2,3}.$$

• The number of copies of  $M_k$  in  $\mathcal{N}(q_K)$ :  $\alpha_K(k) = |I_K(k)|$ .

### 2.2 Step (II)

**Goal** : compute the numbers of copies of  $M_k$  for a given  $\mathcal{N}(m)$ 

**Proposition (Density of copies of**  $M_k$ **)** : On  $\mathbb{X}_{2,3}^0$  for an  $k \geq 1$ ,

$$\lim_{K \to \infty} \frac{\alpha_K(k)}{q_K} = \beta_{2,3} \left( \frac{1}{q_k} - \frac{1}{q_{k+1}} \right),$$

where

$$\beta_{2,3} = \frac{\# \left\{ \mathcal{I}_{2,3} \cap [1, [2, 3]] \right\}}{[2, 3]} = \frac{1}{3}.$$

### 2.3 Step (III)

**Goal :** computing the admissible patterns on  $L_k$  for all  $k \ge 1$ .

• The basic set of admissible patterns on  $L_3$ .

Figure 5: Basic patterns

• Let 
$$\Sigma_k = \Sigma_k(\mathcal{B}_{2,3})$$
 and  $|\Sigma_k| = b_k$ .

#### Remark :

(i). Patterns generation problem and 2-dimensional transition matrices.

k	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14
$b_k$	2	4	7	14	25	50	90	160	320	584	1039	1861	3722	6774
$b_{25} = 5,434,757$ $b_{42} = 172,749,984,030$														
$b_{63} \approx 5.291646495998910 \times 10^{16}$ $b_{88} \approx 2.006283543836154 \times 10^{23}$														
$b_{118} \approx 1.439075072036499 \times 10^{31}$ $b_{149} \approx 1.766912321512124 \times 10^{39}$														

Figure 6: k and  $b_k$  for  $\mathbb{X}_{2,3}^0$ 

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(ii). The  $L_k$  is **not regular lattice**, however, some idea are the same!

Theorem : The entropy  $\mathbb{X}_{2,3}^0$  is given by

$$h(\mathbb{X}_{2,3}^{0}) = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} eta_{2,3}\left(rac{1}{q_k} - rac{1}{q_{k+1}}
ight) \log |\mathbf{\Sigma}_k| \,.$$

For  $n \geq 1$ , let

$$h^{(n)}(\mathbb{X}_{2,3}^{0}) = \sum_{k=1}^{n} eta_{2,3}\left(rac{1}{q_{k}} - rac{1}{q_{k+1}}
ight) \log |\mathbf{\Sigma}_{k}| \, .$$

Numerical result for  $h^{(n)}(X_{2,3}^0)$ :

n	n			13		25	42	
$h^{(n)}(\mathbb{X}^{0}_{2,3})$		0.319901		0.537229		0.620707	0.645733	
63		88		118		149		
0.652284	ł	0.653865	0	0.654224	(	0.654303		
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Figure 7:  $h^{(n)}(X_{2,3}^{0})$ 

#### 2.4 General multi-dimensional systems

$$\mathbb{X}_{\gamma_1\gamma_2}^{\mathbf{0}} = \left\{ (x_1, x_2, \ldots) \in \{\mathbf{0}, \mathbf{1}\}^{\mathbb{N}} : x_k x_{\gamma_1 k} x_{\gamma_2 k} = \mathbf{0} \ \forall k \ge \mathbf{1} \right\}$$

**Theorem :** For any two integers  $\gamma_2 > \gamma_1 > 1$  with  $\gamma_2 \neq \gamma_1^m$  for all m > 1. Then

$$h(\mathbb{X}_{\gamma_1,\gamma_2}^{\mathbf{0}}) = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \beta_{\gamma_1,\gamma_2} \left( \frac{1}{q_k} - \frac{1}{q_{k+1}} \right) \log |\boldsymbol{\Sigma}_k (\gamma_1,\gamma_2)|,$$

where

$$\beta_{\gamma_1,\gamma_2} = \frac{\#\left\{\mathcal{I}_{\gamma_1,\gamma_2} \cap [1, [\gamma_1, \gamma_2]]\right\}}{[\gamma_1, \gamma_2]}.$$

**Theorem :** For  $Q, m \ge 2$ , if  $\gamma_1 = Q$  and  $\gamma_2 = Q^m$ , then

$$h(\mathbb{X}_{Q,Q^m}^0) = (Q-1)^2 \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{Q^{k+1}} \log |a_k(Q,Q^m)|,$$

where  $a_k = |A(Q, Q^m)|$  for  $k \ge m$ ,  $a_j = Q^j$ ,  $1 \le j \le m$ , where  $A(Q, Q^m)$  is the associated transition matrix of  $\mathcal{B}(Q, Q^m)$ .

### $\mathbb{X}_{\mathsf{L}}^{0}$

$$= \{ (x_1, x_2, \ldots) \in \{0, 1\}^{\mathbb{N}} : x_k x_{\gamma_1 k} x_{\gamma_2 k} \cdots x_{\gamma_d k} = 0, \ k \ge 1 \}.$$

**Theorem :** Let  $\Gamma = (\gamma_1, \gamma_2, \dots, \gamma_d)$ , if  $1 < \gamma_2 < \gamma_2 < \dots < \gamma_d$ ,  $d \ge 3$  and  $\gamma_j \ne \gamma_i^m$  for all  $m \ge 2$  and  $1 \le i \le j \le d$ . Then the entropy of  $\mathbb{X}^0_{\Gamma}$  is given by

$$h(\mathbb{X}_{\Gamma}^{0}) = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} eta_{\Gamma} \left( rac{1}{q_{k}} - rac{1}{q_{k+1}} 
ight) \log |\Sigma_{k}|,$$

where

$$\beta_{\Gamma} = \frac{\mathcal{I}_{\Gamma} \cap [1, [\gamma_1, \gamma_2, \dots, \gamma_d]]}{[\gamma_1, \gamma_2, \dots, \gamma_d]}.$$

**Note :** the numbered lattice is *d*-dimensional.

$$\mathbb{X}_{\Gamma}(N, \mathcal{C})$$
  
=  $\{(x_1, x_2, \ldots) \in \{0, 1, \ldots, N\}^{\mathbb{N}} : x_k x_{\gamma_1 k} \cdots x_{\gamma_d k} \in \mathcal{C}\}.$ 



Figure 8: The numbered lattice for  $\mathbb{M}_{2,3,5}$ 

**Theorem :** Let  $\Gamma = \{\gamma_1, \ldots, \gamma_d\}$  satisfy conditions as above and  $C \subseteq \{0, 1, \ldots, (N-1)^d\}$ . Then the entropy of  $\mathbb{X}_{\Gamma}(N, C)$  is given by

$$h(\mathbb{X}_{\Gamma}(N, \mathcal{C})) = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \beta_{\Gamma} \left( \frac{1}{q_k} - \frac{1}{q_{k+1}} \right) \log |\Sigma_k(\mathcal{B}_{\Gamma}(N, \mathcal{C}))|,$$

where  $\Sigma_k (\mathcal{B}_{\Gamma}(N, \mathcal{C}))$  is the set of *d*-dimensional admissible local patterns that can be generated by  $\mathcal{B}_{\Gamma}(N, \mathcal{C})$  on  $L_k$ .

# **3 Coupled systems**

**Goal:** compute the entropy of  $\mathbb{X}_Q^A = \mathbb{X}_Q^0 \cap \Sigma_A$ .

#### **Coupled systems :**



Figure 9: The effect of  $\Sigma_A$ 

**Zigzag line :** connects all natural integers comes from  $\Sigma_A$ ;

**Horizontal line :** connect the integers in in  $i\mathbb{M}_2$  for each  $i \in \mathcal{I}_2$ .note:  $i\mathbb{M}_2$  and  $j\mathbb{M}_2$  are no longer mutually independent!! Therefore, it is regarded as a *coupled system*.

Idea : Decouple !!

# **3.1** Strategy: decouple system $\mathbb{X}_2^A$

#### Strategy:

(I). To decouple the whole system into disjoint pieces by eliminating  $\mathbb{M}_2$  such that only

$$\widetilde{\mathbb{X}}_2^A = \left(\bigcup_{1 < i \in \mathcal{I}_2} i \mathbb{M}_2\right) \cap \mathbf{\Sigma}_A$$

is considered.

(II). From the reduced system  $\widetilde{\mathbb{X}}_{2}^{A}$ , a sequence  $\{\mathbb{X}_{2}^{A}(m)\}_{m=1}^{\infty}$  of **independent branches** are chosen.

(III) The **entropy** of the decoupled independent system  $\mathbb{X}_2^A(m)$  can be computed easily.

(IV). An appropriate choice of  $\mathbb{X}_2^A(m)$  is demonstrated to enable the **recovery of the entropy** of  $\mathbb{X}_2^A$ , i.e.,

$$\lim_{m\to\infty}h(\mathbb{X}_2^A(m))=h(\mathbb{X}_2^A).$$

## **3.2** Lower and upper bounds for $h(\mathbb{X}_2^A)$

**Theorem :** The entropy  $h(\mathbb{X}_2^A)$  is given by

$$h(\mathbb{X}_2^A) = \lim_{k o\infty} rac{1}{2(2^k-1)} \log |\mathbf{\Sigma}_k|\,,$$

where  $\Sigma_k$  the admissible patterns on  $L_k$ . Furthermore,

$$egin{aligned} &rac{1}{2(2^k-1)}\log|\mathbf{\Sigma}_k| \leq h(\mathbb{X}_2^A)\ &\leq &rac{1}{2(2^k-1)}\log|\mathbf{\Sigma}_k|+rac{k}{2(2^k-1)}\log2. \end{aligned}$$

Numerical result for  $h^{(n)}(\mathbb{X}_2^A)$ :



Figure 10: The admissible numbered lattice  $M_k$  in  $\widetilde{\mathbb{X}}_2^A$ 



Figure 11:  $M_4(3)$ 



Figure 12: The decoupled system by  $M_2$ 



Figure 13: Distribution of  $M_k$ 

n	2	3	4
$ \Sigma_n $	9	237	213624
$h^{(n)}(\mathbb{X}_2^A)$	0.366204	0.390576	0.409066
$\bar{h}^{(n)}(\mathbb{X}_2^A)$	0.597253	0.539107	0.501485

Figure 14:  $|\mathbf{\Sigma}_n|$  and  $h^{(n)}\left(\mathbb{X}_2^A\right)$ 

### 3.3 General coupled systems

**Theorem :** For any  $Q \ge 3$  and  $k \ge 2$ ,

$$egin{aligned} & rac{Q-1}{Q(Q^k-1)}\log\left|\Sigma_{Q;k}
ight|\leq h(\mathbb{X}_Q^A)\ &\leq & rac{Q-1}{Q(Q^k-1)}\left(\log\left|\Sigma_{Q;k}
ight|+k\log 2
ight), \end{aligned}$$

and

$$h(\mathbb{X}_Q^A) = \lim_{k o \infty} rac{Q-1}{Q(Q^k-1)} \log \left| \mathbf{\Sigma}_{Q;k} 
ight|,$$

where  $\Sigma_{Q;k}$  is the set of all admissible patterns on  $L_{Q;k}$ , and  $L_{Q;k}$  is the degree k blank lattice.

Theorem : For any  $Q \geq 3$ ,  $\mathcal{C} \subseteq \left\{0, 1, \dots, (N-1)^d\right\}$  and  $k \geq 2$ ,

$$egin{aligned} &rac{Q-1}{Q(Q^k-1)}\log|\mathbf{\Sigma}_k(Q;A;N,\mathcal{C})| \leq h\left(\mathbb{X}_Q^A(N,\mathcal{C})
ight) \ &\leq &rac{Q-1}{Q(Q^k-1)}\left(\log|\mathbf{\Sigma}_k(Q;A;N,\mathcal{C})|+k\log N
ight), \end{aligned}$$

and

$$h\left(\mathbb{X}_Q^A(N,\mathcal{C})\right) = \lim_{k \to \infty} \frac{Q-1}{Q(Q^k-1)} \log \left| \Sigma_k\left(Q;A;N,\mathcal{C}\right) \right|,$$

where  $\Sigma_k(Q; A; N, C)$  is the set of all admissible patterns on  $L_{Q;k}$  the constraint of the vertices on the bold lines in  $L_{Q;k}$  is given by A and the constraint of the vertices on the lines in  $L_{Q,k}$  is given by N and C.