# About pseudo-Markov interval maps, entropy and pseudocenters. 

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Rokhlin's formula gives the metric entropy:

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h_{\mu}(T)=\sum_{i=1}^{N} \max \left\{\log \left(t_{i}\right), 0\right\} \mu\left(P_{i}\right)
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Theorem: If $T$ has matching, then $\rho=\frac{d \mu}{d x}$ is constant on each element of the pre-matching partition.

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Remark: The density can again be found by linear algebra, using

$$
\Pi_{i, j}=\left|T\left(P_{i}\right) \cap P_{j}\right| /\left|P_{j}\right| .
$$

Then $\Pi_{i, j} \in\{0,1\}$ except for those column numbers $j$ such that $z:=T^{\kappa_{-}}\left(c_{-}\right)=T^{\kappa_{+}}\left(c_{+}\right) \in P_{j}$.
Example: For $0<\beta \leq 2$, we have matrices

$$
\Pi=\left(\begin{array}{ccc}
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\end{array}\right) \quad \text { and } \quad A=\left(\begin{array}{ccc}
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\end{array}\right)
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The eigenvectors are

$$
\rho=\frac{1}{10-4 \theta}\left(\begin{array}{lll}
1 & 2 & 2
\end{array}\right) \quad \text { and } \quad \ell=\left(\begin{array}{c}
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The metric entropy is $h_{\mu}\left(T_{\beta}\right)=\frac{2 \log 2}{5-2 \theta}$ by the Rokhlin formula.

## Monotonicity of entropy

Numerical illustration for the metric entropy:



Figure : Entropy $h_{\mu}\left(T_{\beta}\right)$ for $\beta \in[4.6,6]$ (I) and $\beta \in[5.29,5.33]$ ( $\left.\mathbf{r}\right)$.

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## $\alpha$-continued fractions and the Mandelbrot set



Figure: From a paper by Bonanno, Carminati, Isola and Tiozzo: The non-matching set and the real antenna of Mandelbrot set

## Change of coordinates

For fixed slope $s>1$, take:

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Advantages of $Q_{\gamma}$ :

- $x=1$ is fixed for all $s \in \mathbb{R}$ and $\gamma<1$;
- For integer $s \geq 2$, every point $p s^{-m}, p, m \in \mathbb{N}$, eventually maps to 1 ;
- therefore matching occurs whenever $\gamma=p s^{-m}$;
- matching occurs on an open dense set!


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Let $g(x):=s(1-x) \bmod 1$ and $R:(0,1) \rightarrow(0,1)$ be the first return of $Q_{\gamma}^{k}(x)$ to $[0,1)$.

Lemma:

$$
R(x)= \begin{cases}g(x) & \text { if } x \in(0, \gamma) \\ g^{2}(x) & \text { if } x \in(\gamma, 1)\end{cases}
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Lemma: For fixed $\gamma \in[0,1]$, the following conditions are equivalent:
(i) $g^{k}(\gamma)<\gamma$ for some $k \in \mathbb{N}$;
(ii) matching holds for $\gamma$.

In other words, the bifurcation set is

$$
\mathcal{E}=\left\{\gamma \in[0,1]: g^{k}(\gamma) \geq \gamma \forall k \in \mathbb{N}\right\} .
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Lemma: All branches of $R$ are monotone onto, also the branches that contain a preimage $y \in Q_{\gamma}^{-N}(\gamma)$.

$$
\begin{aligned}
& R=Q_{\gamma}^{\tau} \text { for first } \\
& \text { return time } \tau:[0,1) \rightarrow \mathbb{N}
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& \tau\left(A_{-}\right)=N+\kappa_{-} \\
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Corollary: $R$ preserves Lebesgue measure $m$.

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- Also define the "degenerate" interval $l_{1}:=(2 / 3,+\infty)$.


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| $\frac{1}{4}$ | $=.01$ | $\frac{1}{3}=. \overline{01}$ |  | $=. \overline{001110}$ |
| $\frac{7}{32}$ | $=.001110$ | $\frac{2}{9}=. \overline{001110}$ | $\frac{7}{33}$ | $=. \overline{0011011001}$ |
| $\frac{3}{16}$ | $=.0011$ | $\frac{1}{5}=. \overline{0011}$ | $\frac{2}{11}$ | $=. \overline{0010111010}$ |
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$$

where $|w|_{a}$ is the number of symbols $a$ in $w$ (the shortest even binary expansion of $\xi$ ).

Proposition: If $g^{k}(\gamma) \geq \frac{1}{6}$, then $\left|w_{0}\right|=|w|_{1}$. In particular, all matching intervals in $\left(\frac{1}{6}, \frac{2}{3}\right)$ have matching index $\Delta=0$.

## Pseudo-centers




Figure: Entropies $h_{\text {top }}\left(T_{\beta}\right)$ and $h_{\mu}\left(T_{\beta}\right)$ for $\beta \in[0,6.5]$.

Remark: This proposition explains constant entropy on all matching intervals in $\left(\frac{1}{6}, \frac{2}{3}\right)$. Using an extra (no devil's staircase) argument:

$$
h_{\mu}\left(Q_{\gamma}\right)=\log \left(\frac{1+\sqrt{5}}{2}\right) \quad \text { and } h_{\text {top }}\left(Q_{\gamma}\right)=\frac{2}{3} \log 2
$$

for all $\gamma \in\left[\frac{1}{6}, \frac{2}{3}\right]$.

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