

# Geometrical aspects of positional representations of real and complex numbers

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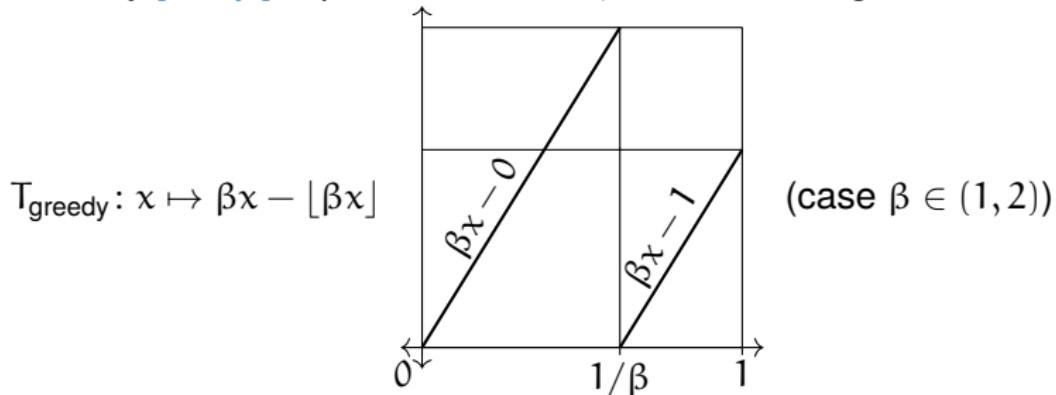
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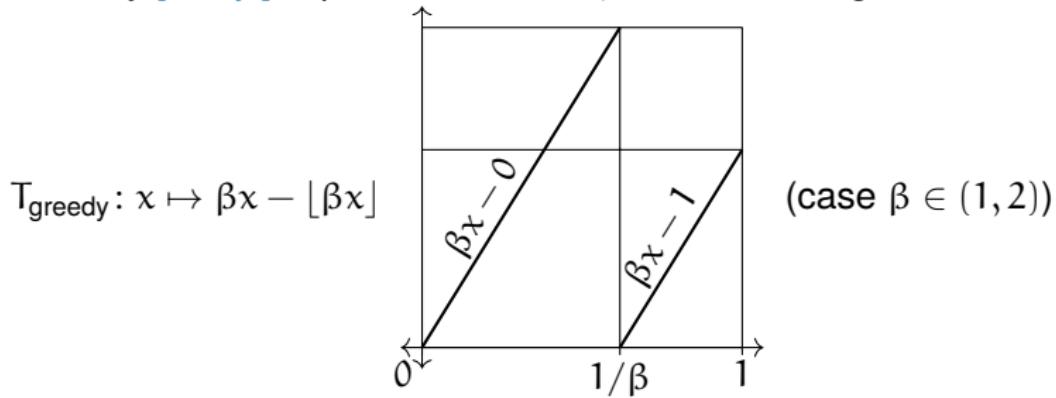
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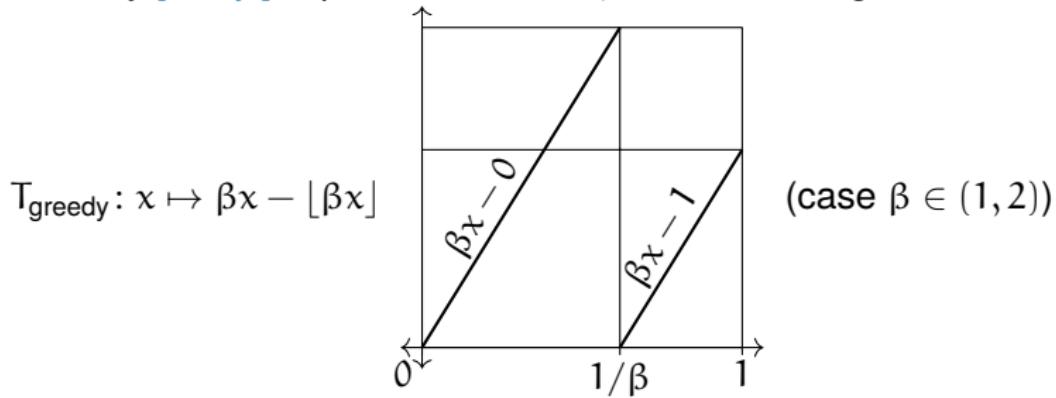
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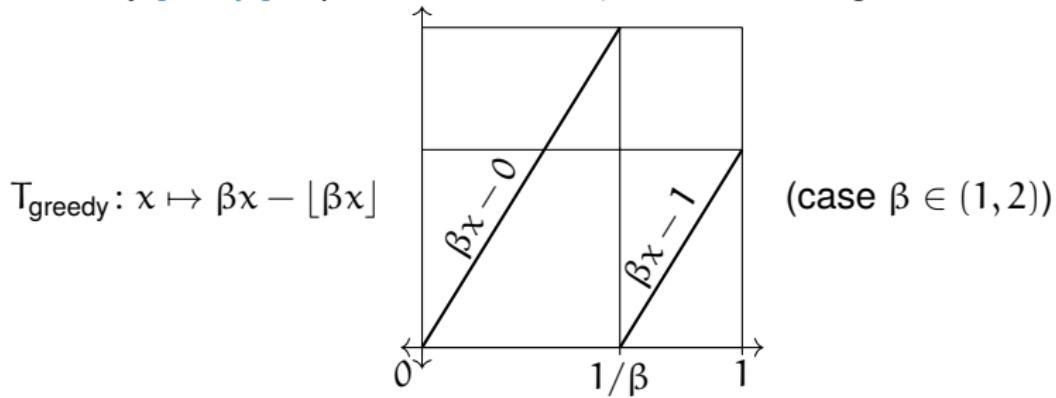
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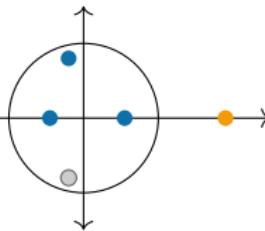
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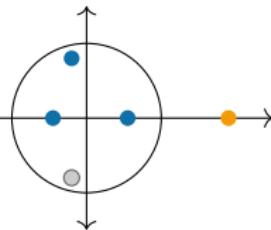
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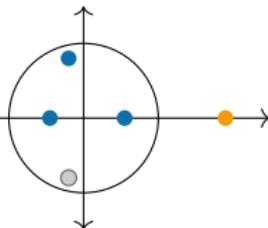
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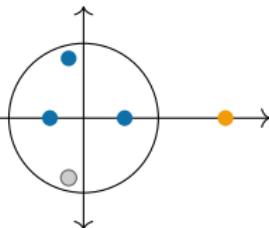
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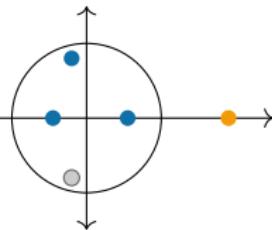
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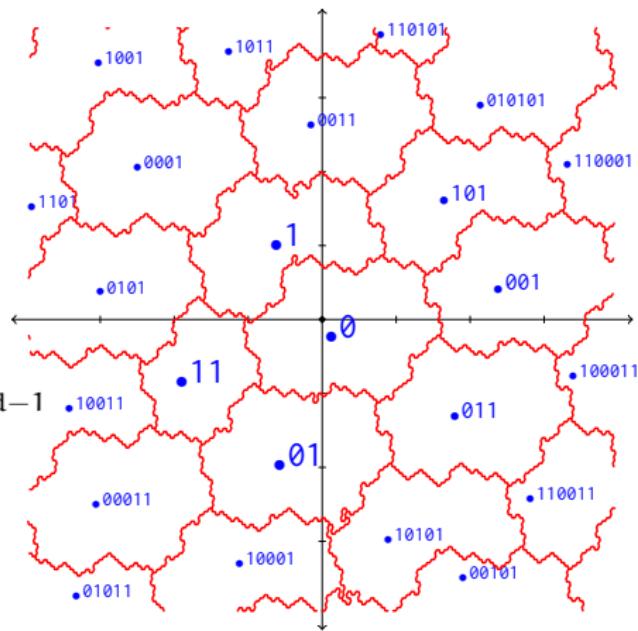
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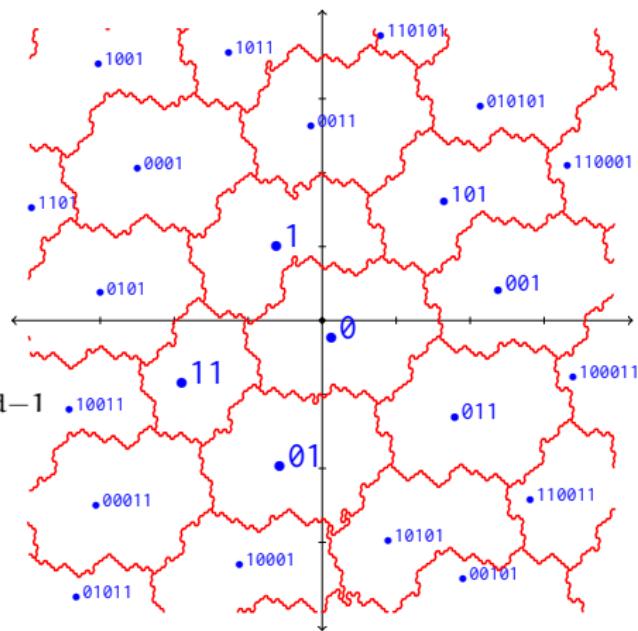
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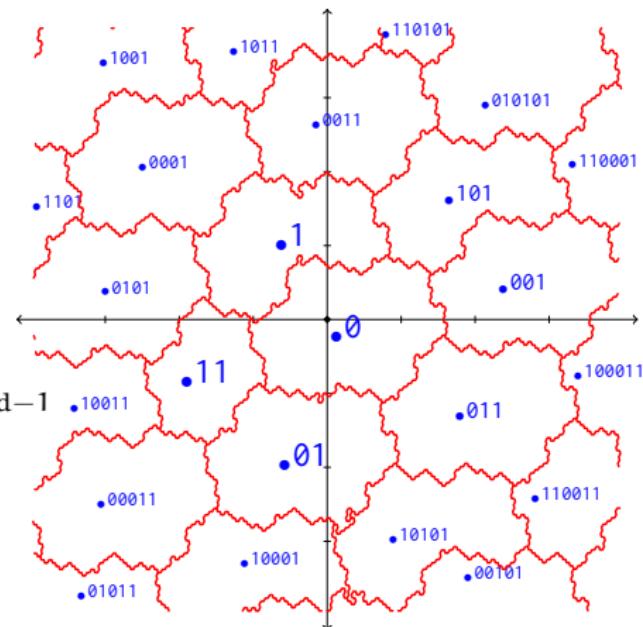
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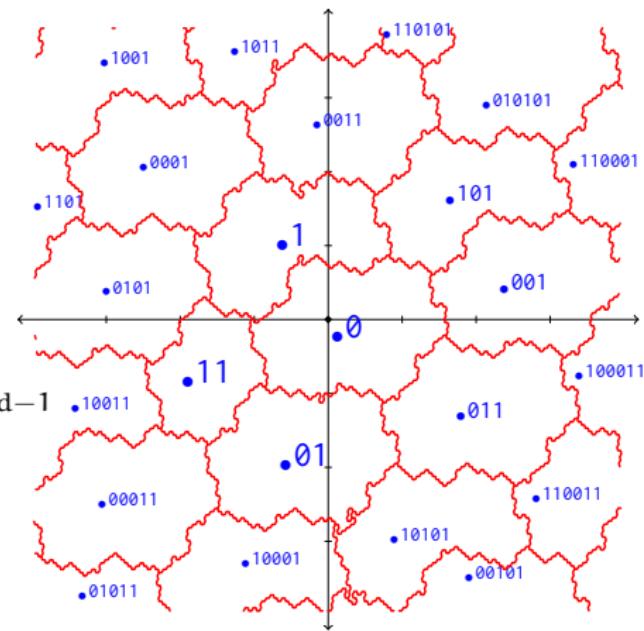
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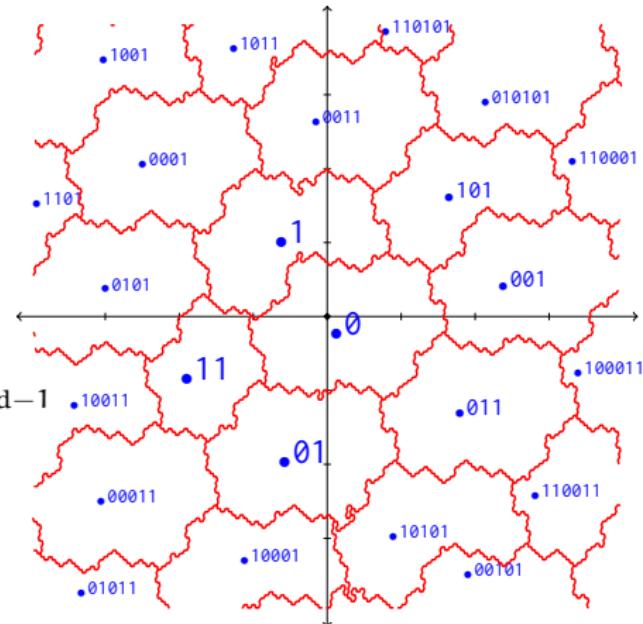
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- 2 **For irreducible substitutions:** For any Pisot irreducible substitution, the Rauzy fractals form a tiling.

The two are connected, for instance:

$$\begin{aligned}\beta^3 - \beta^2 - \beta - 1 &= 0 \\ \beta &\approx 1.839\ldots\end{aligned}\quad \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}\quad \begin{cases} 0 \mapsto 01 \\ 1 \mapsto 02 \\ 2 \mapsto 0 \end{cases}$$
$$0 \mapsto 01 \mapsto 0102 \mapsto 0102010 \mapsto \dots \mapsto 0102010010201\dots$$

## Theorem (Barge 2015)

*The Pisot conjecture for  $\beta$ -numeration is true.*

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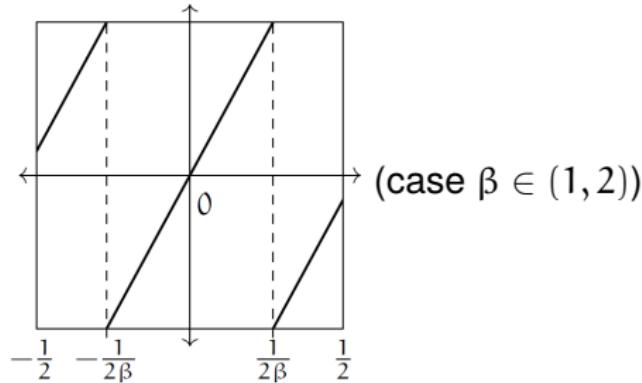
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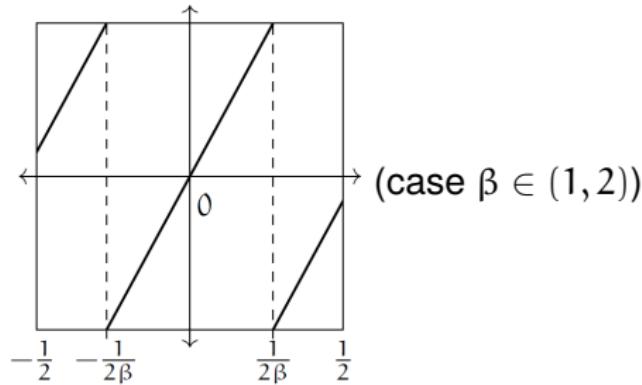
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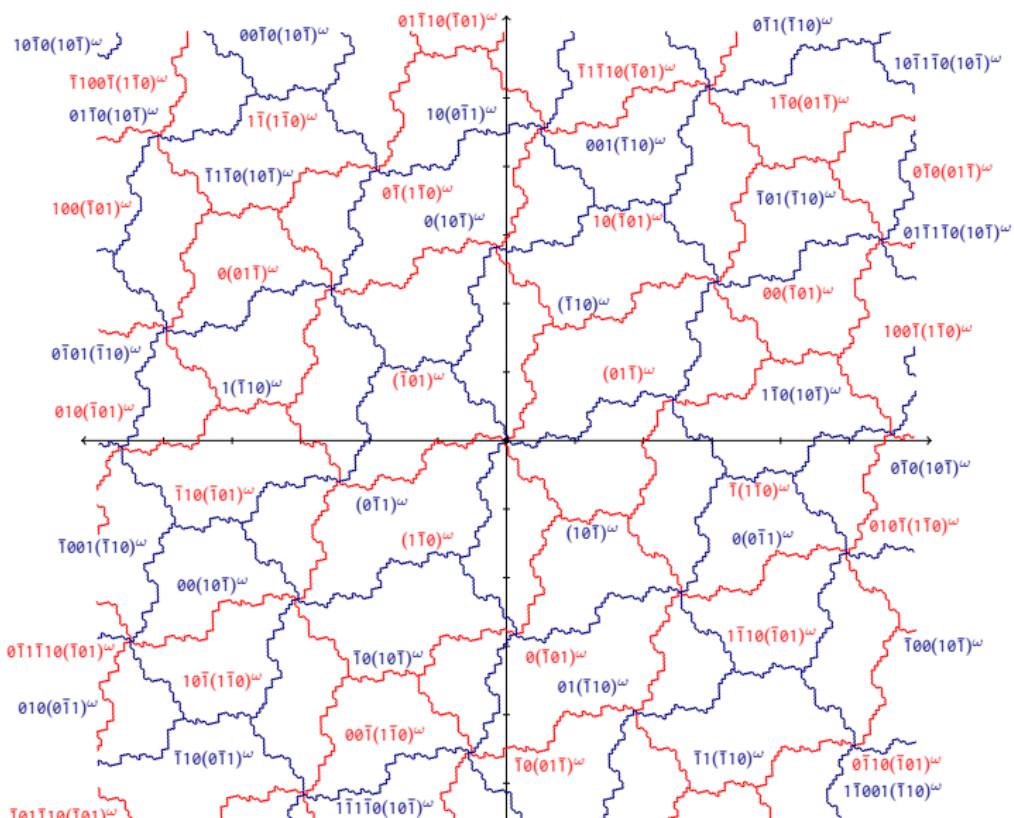
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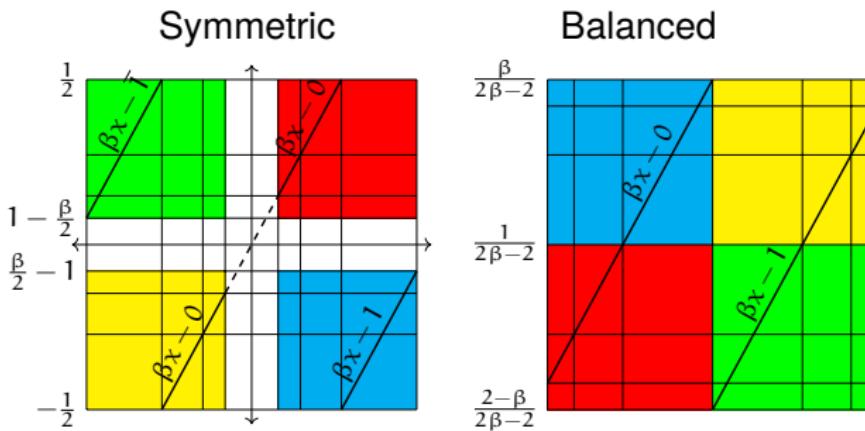
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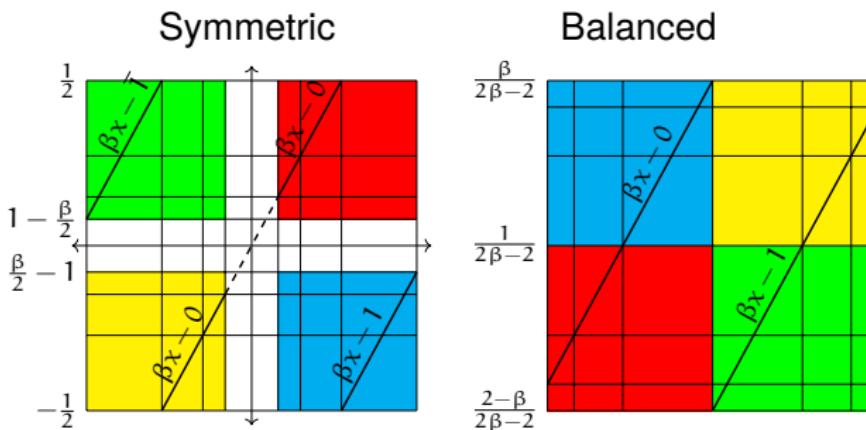
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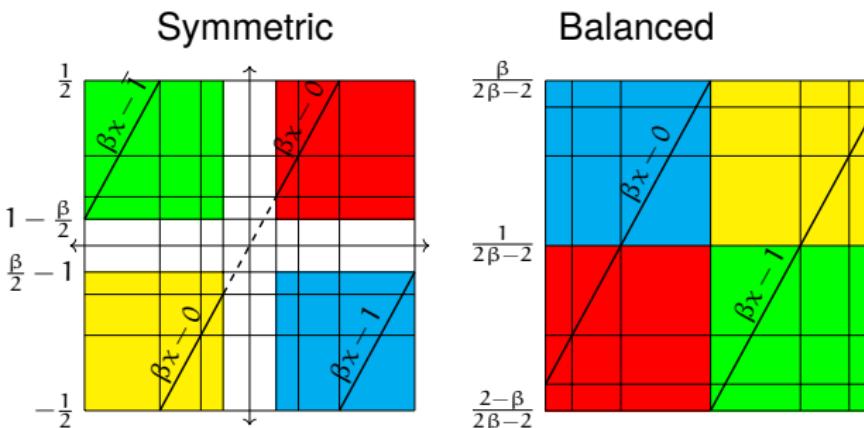


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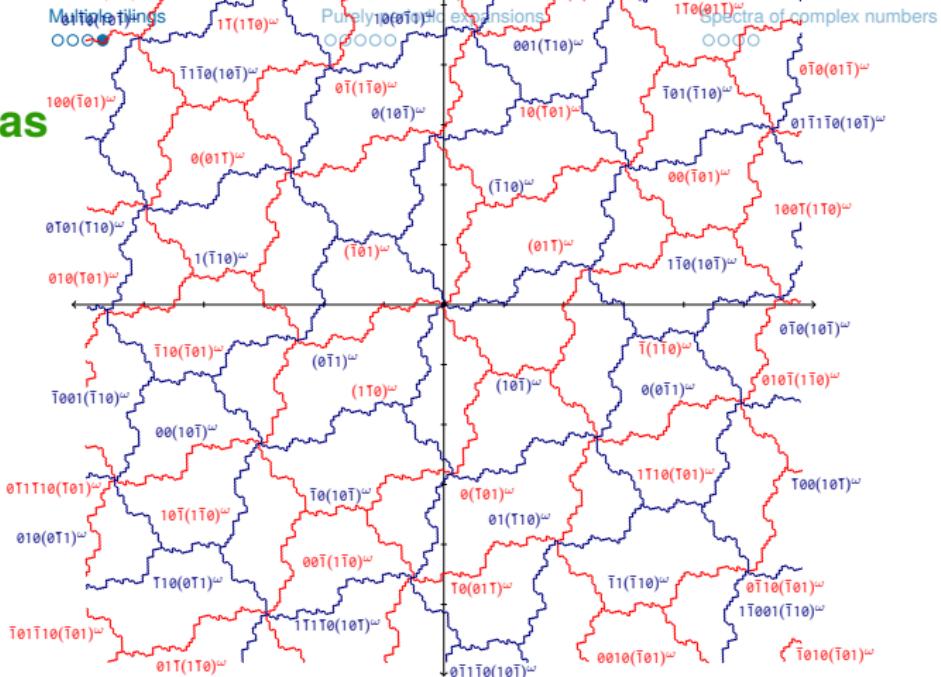
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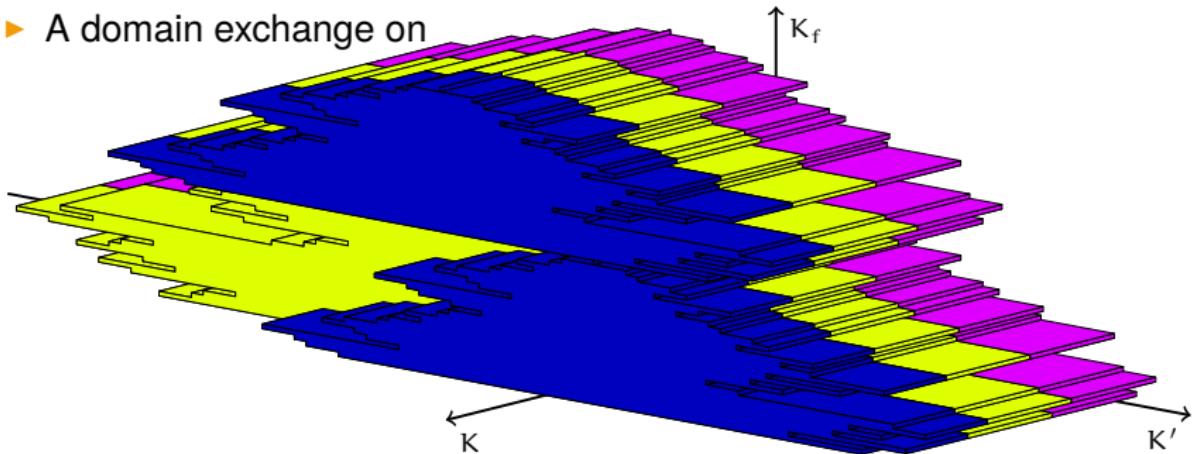
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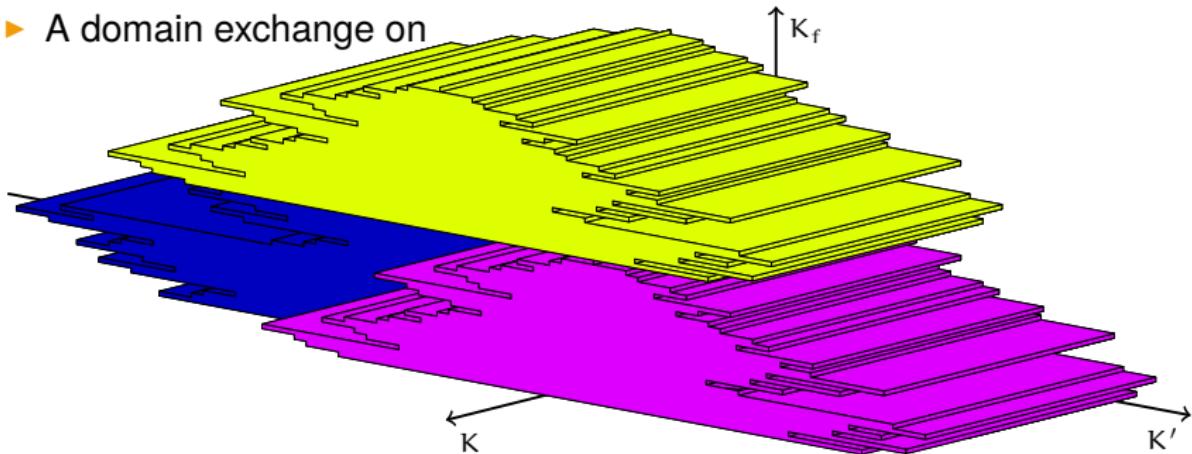


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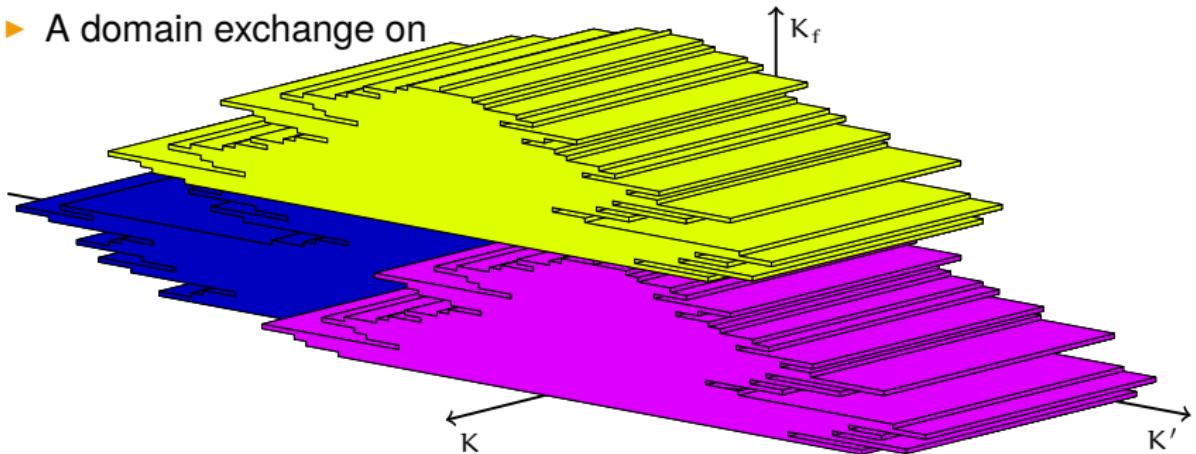


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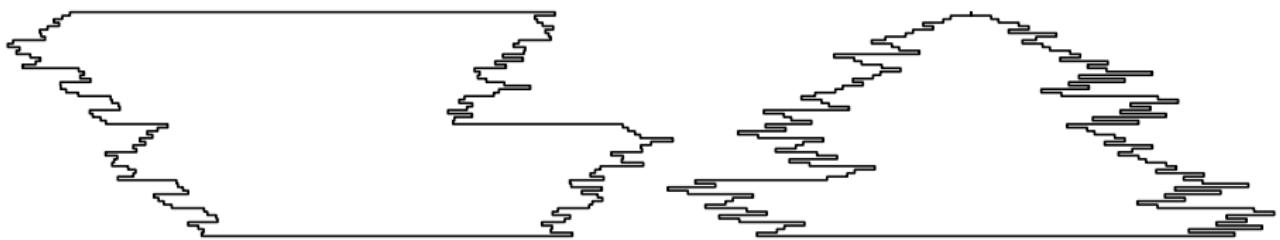
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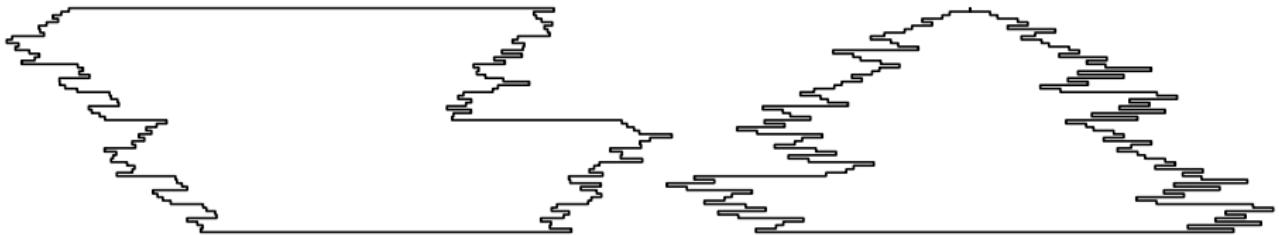
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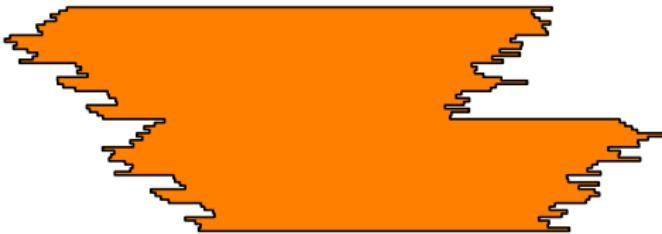
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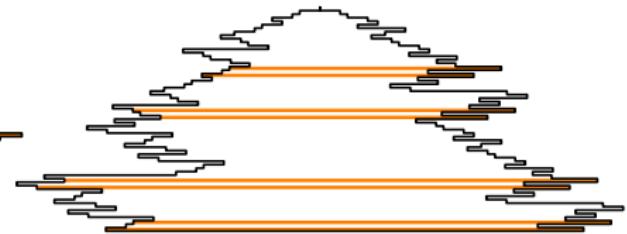


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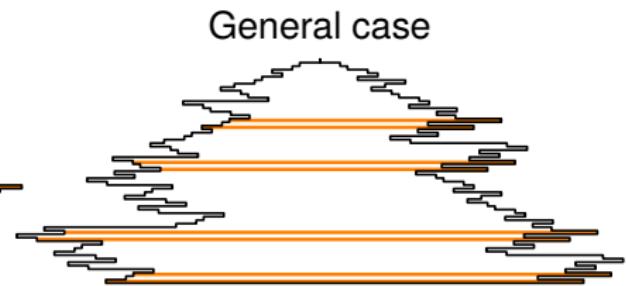
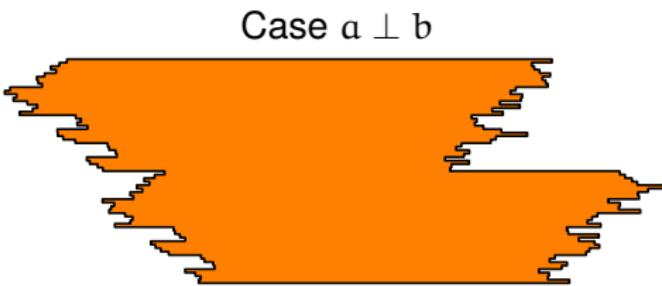
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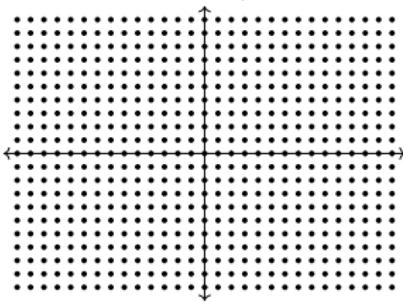
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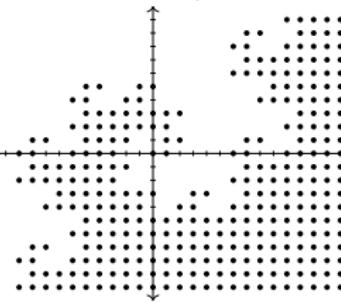
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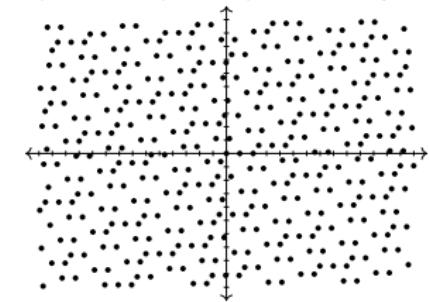
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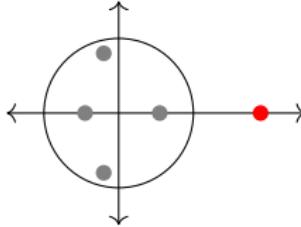
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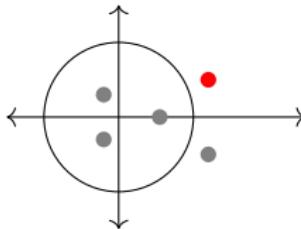


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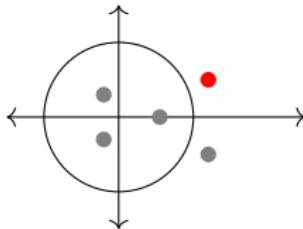


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