On the second Lyapunov exponent of some multidimensional continued fraction algorithms

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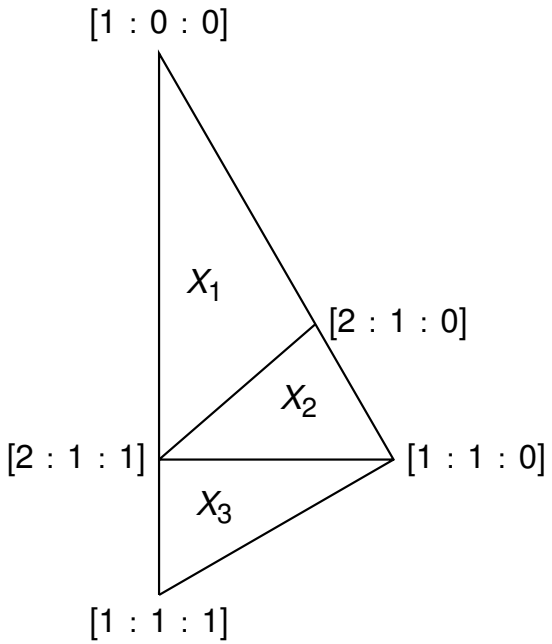

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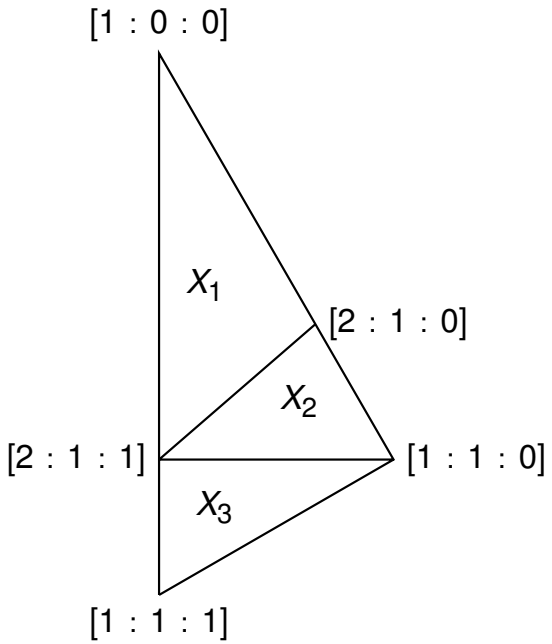

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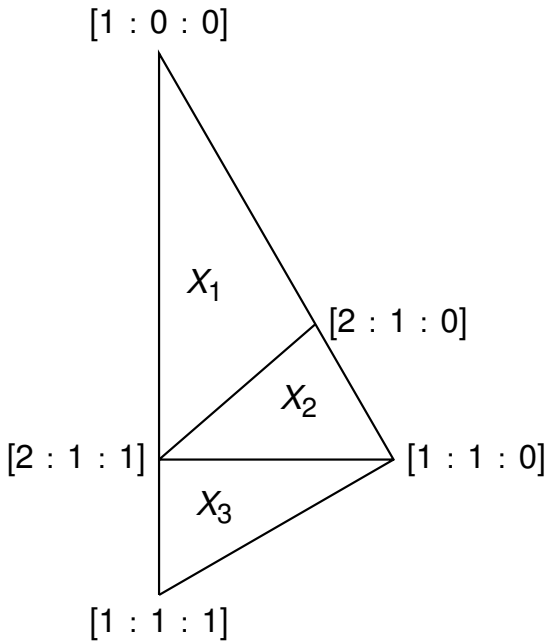

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invariant measure μ_S has density $\frac{c}{x_1 \cdots x_d}$ (Bruin, Fokkink, Kraaikamp'15).

Selmer approximation cocycle

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Selmer algorithm, computer simulations

Calculating $D_S^{(n)}(\mathbf{x})$ and $A_S^{(n)}(\mathbf{x})$ for $n = 2^{30}$ for randomly chosen points $\mathbf{x} \in \Delta$ gives the following estimates for $d \in \{2, 3, 4, 5\}$ (without guaranteed accuracy)

d	$\lambda_2(A_S)$	$1 - \frac{\lambda_2(A_S)}{\lambda_1(A_S)}$
2	-0.07072	1.3871
3	-0.02283	1.1444
4	$+0.00176$	0.9866
5	$+0.01594$	0.8577

Lagarias 1993: Uniform approximation exponent

$$\sup\left\{\delta : \left\|\mathbf{x} - \frac{\mathbf{p}_i^{(n)}}{q_i^{(n)}}\right\| = O\left(\frac{1}{(q_i^{(n)})^{\delta}}\right), 0 \le i \le d\right\} = 1 - \frac{\lambda_2(A)}{\lambda_1(A)} \quad \text{(a.e. } \mathbf{x} \in \Delta\text{)}$$

Computer simulations

We calculate $D^{(n)}(\mathbf{x})$ for randomly chosen points $\mathbf{x} \in \Delta$ by a C program with double precision floating point arithmetic. We have to renormalize the matrices before they get too small or too large. For $k|n$, e.g., $k = 2^{10}$, $n = 2^{30}$, we have

$$\frac{1}{D_{1,1}^{(n)}(\mathbf{x})} D^{(n)}(\mathbf{x})$$
$$= \frac{D_{1,1}^{(n-k)}(\mathbf{x})}{D_{1,1}^{(n)}(\mathbf{x})} D^{(k)}(T^{n-k}\mathbf{x}) \cdots \frac{D_{1,1}^{(k)}(\mathbf{x})}{D_{1,1}^{(2k)}(\mathbf{x})} D^{(k)}(T^{k}\mathbf{x}) \frac{1}{D_{1,1}^{(k)}(\mathbf{x})} D^{(k)}(\mathbf{x})$$

$$\log \left| D_{1,1}^{(n)}(\mathbf{x}) \right| = \log \frac{|D_{1,1}^{(n)}(\mathbf{x})|}{|D_{1,1}^{(n-k)}(\mathbf{x})|} + \cdots + \log \frac{|D_{1,1}^{(2k)}(\mathbf{x})|}{|D_{1,1}^{(k)}(\mathbf{x})|} + \log |D_{1,1}^{(k)}(\mathbf{x})|$$

($D_{1,1}^{(n)}(\mathbf{x})$ is the top left coefficient of $D^{(n)}(\mathbf{x})$)

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Nearest integer Jacobi–Perron algorithm

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d	$1 - \frac{\lambda_2(A)}{\lambda_1(A)}$	d	$1 - \frac{\lambda_2(A)}{\lambda_1(A)}$	d	$1 - \frac{\lambda_2(A)}{\lambda_1(A)}$	d	$1 - \frac{\lambda_2(A)}{\lambda_1(A)}$
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Brun and modified Jacobi–Perron algorithms (ordered)

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d	$\lambda_2(A_{\mathrm{B}})$	$1 - \frac{\lambda_2(A_{\mathrm{B}})}{\lambda_1(A_{\mathrm{B}})}$	d	$\lambda_2(A_{\mathrm{B}})$	$1 - \frac{\lambda_2(A_{\mathrm{B}})}{\lambda_1(A_{\mathrm{B}})}$
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Garrity's triangle algorithm (ordered)

$$\Delta = \{(x_1, \ldots, x_d) \in \mathbb{R}^d : 1 \geq x_1 \geq \cdots \geq x_d \geq 0\}$$

$$T_{\mathrm{G}}(x_1, \ldots, x_d) = \begin{cases} \kappa\big(\mathrm{ord}\big(1 - \sum_{j=1}^{k} x_j, x_1, \ldots, x_d\big)\big) \\ \qquad \text{if } 0 < 1 - \sum_{j=1}^{k} x_j < x_{k+1},\ 1 \leq k \leq d-2 \\ \frac{1}{x_1}\big(x_2, \ldots, x_d, 1 - \sum_{j=1}^{d-1} x_j - \ell x_d\big) \\ \qquad \text{if } 0 < 1 - \sum_{j=1}^{d-1} x_j - \ell x_d < x_d,\ \ell \geq 0 \end{cases}$$

$d = 2$:

$$A_{\mathrm{G}}(\mathbf{x}) = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 \\ \lfloor \frac{1-x_1}{x_2} \rfloor & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix},\ D_{\mathrm{G}}(\mathbf{x}) = \begin{pmatrix} -\lfloor \frac{1-x_1}{x_2} \rfloor x_1 & 1 - \lfloor \frac{1-x_1}{x_2} \rfloor x_2 \\ -x_1 & -x_2 \end{pmatrix}$$

Problem: $\lfloor \frac{1-x_1}{x_2} \rfloor x_1$ can be large

d	$\lambda_2(A_G)$	$1 - \frac{\lambda_2(A_G)}{\lambda_1(A_G)}$	d	$\lambda_2(A_G)$	$1 - \frac{\lambda_2(A_G)}{\lambda_1(A_G)}$
2	+0.34434	0.6859	7	−0.00644	1.0225
3	+0.37673	0.5798	8	−0.00768	1.0304
4	+0.25232	0.6286	9	−0.00435	1.0189
5	+0.10677	0.7778	10	−0.00074	1.0035
6	+0.01859	0.9468	11	+0.00237	0.9880

Intermediate algorithm between Arnoux–Rauzy and Brun

$$\Delta = \{(x_1, \ldots, x_d) \in \mathbb{R}^d : 1 \geq x_1 \geq \cdots \geq x_d \geq 0\}$$

$$T_{\mathrm{BST}}(x_1, \ldots, x_d) = \kappa\big(\mathrm{ord}\big(1 - \textstyle\sum_{j=1}^{k} x_j, x_1, \ldots, x_d\big)\big)$$
$$\text{if } 0 < 1 - \textstyle\sum_{j=1}^{k} x_j < x_{k+1} \quad (1 \leq k \leq d,\ x_{d+1} = 1)$$

d	$\lambda_2(A_{\mathrm{BST}})$	$1 - \frac{\lambda_2(A_{\mathrm{BST}})}{\lambda_1(A_{\mathrm{BST}})}$	d	$\lambda_2(A_{\mathrm{BST}})$	$1 - \frac{\lambda_2(A_{\mathrm{BST}})}{\lambda_1(A_{\mathrm{BST}})}$
2	-0.13648	1.3606	7	-0.02033	1.0729
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4	-0.07540	1.1817	9	-0.00563	1.0246
5	-0.05035	1.1388	10	-0.00114	1.0054
6	-0.03263	1.1034	11	$+0.00224$	0.9886

Comparison between (simulations of) algorithms

uniform approximation coefficients $1 - \frac{\lambda_2(A)}{\lambda_1(A)} \leq 1 + \frac{1}{d}$

d	Selmer	Brun	JP	Intermed.	Garrity	NIJP
2	1.3871	1.3683	1.3735	1.3606	0.6859	**1.40145**
3	1.1444	1.2203	1.1922	**1.2430**	0.5798	1.22519
4	0.9866	1.1504	1.1114	**1.1817**	0.6286	1.14373
5	0.8577	1.1065	1.0676	**1.1388**	0.7778	1.09786
6	0.7442	1.0746	1.0413	**1.1034**	0.9468	1.06898
7	0.6437	1.0493	1.0243	**1.0729**	1.0225	1.04944
8	0.5561	1.0283	1.0127	**1.0468**	1.0304	1.03551
9	0.4810	1.0102	1.0044	**1.0246**	1.0189	**1.02521**
10	0.4173	0.9943	0.9981	**1.0054**	1.0035	**1.01737**
11	0.3636	0.9799	**0.9933**	0.9886	0.9880	**1.01125**
12						**1.00639**
13						**1.00246**
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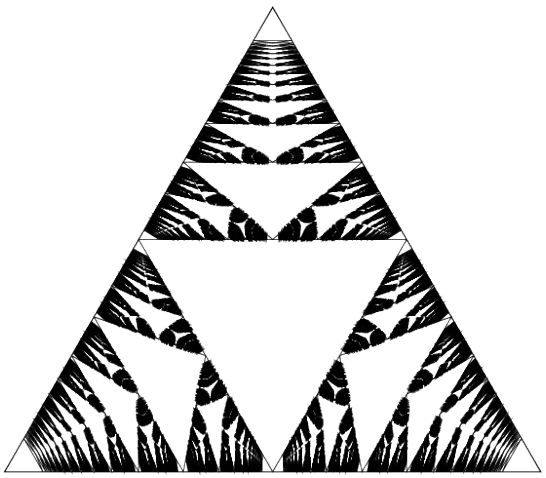

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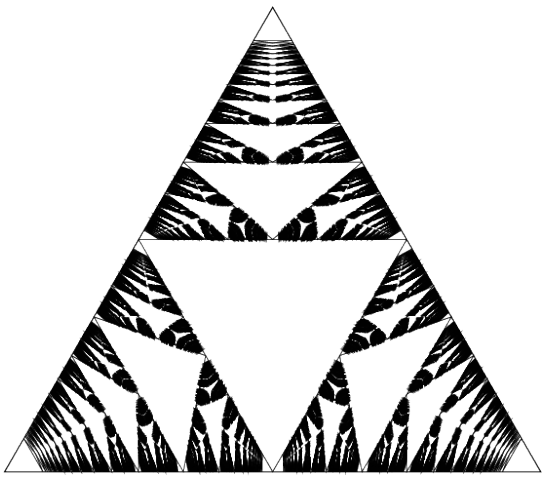

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