

Weighted Flow Equivalence of Shifts of Finite Type

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Classification of SFTs up to FE

DEFINITION: $PS(A) = \det(I-A)$ is the Parry-Sullivan number of A .

DEFINITION: $BF(A) = \frac{\mathbb{Z}^n}{(I-A)\mathbb{Z}^n}$ is the Bowen-Franks group of A .

THEOREM (Franks): Let A and B be square matrices of nonnegative integers that are non-trivial and irreducible. Then they are flow equivalent if and only if

$$(1) \quad PS(A) = PS(B)$$

$$(2) \quad BF(A) \cong BF(B)$$

Types of SFTs

Trivial: Finite number of orbits. Permutation matrix.

Irreducible: Path from any vertex to any vertex. For any (i,j) there is an n with $M^n(i,j) > 0$.

Essentially Irreducible Matrix: Matrix has a unique principal submatrix that is irreducible. Passing to the **IRREDUCIBLE CORE** does not change the shift space.

$$M = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad \text{core}(M) = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$



$$X_M = X_{\text{core}(M)}$$

Strong Shift Equivalence (SSE)

Let A & B be square matrices over \mathbb{Z}_+ . We say there is an SSE-move from A to B if there are matrices R & S over \mathbb{Z}_+ with

$$A = RS \text{ and } B = SR.$$

Two square matrices, A & B , over \mathbb{Z}_+ are Strong Shift Equivalent (SSE) if there is a sequence of SSE-moves from A to B .

FUNDAMENTAL THEOREM of SFTs (Williams):
Two SFTs are topologically conjugate if and only if their matrices are SSE.

It is unknown if SSE is decidable, but many computable invariants exist.

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

so $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$ is SSE to $\begin{bmatrix} 2 \end{bmatrix}$

Shifts of Finite Type (SFT)

A **SHIFT SPACE** is a subset of the set of bi-infinite sequences of symbols from a finite alphabet that is invariant under the **SHIFT MAP**. The topology is the subset topology of the product topology. (compact)

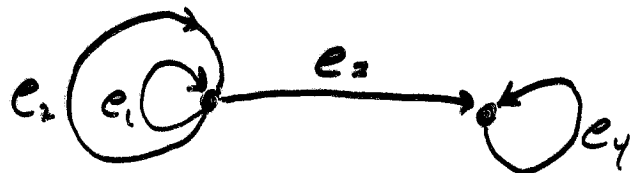
$$\sigma(\dots 001.1001\dots) = \dots 0011.001\dots$$

Shifts spaces are **TOPOLOGICALLY CONJUGATE** if there is a homeomorphism between them that commutes with the shift maps.

$$\begin{array}{ccc} X & \xrightarrow{\sigma_X} & X \\ h \downarrow & & \downarrow h \\ Y & \xrightarrow{\sigma_Y} & Y \end{array} \quad h \circ \sigma_X = \sigma_Y \circ h$$

A directed graph or its adjacency matrix determines a special type of shift space called a **SFT**, up to topological conjugacy. We illustrate with an example.

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$



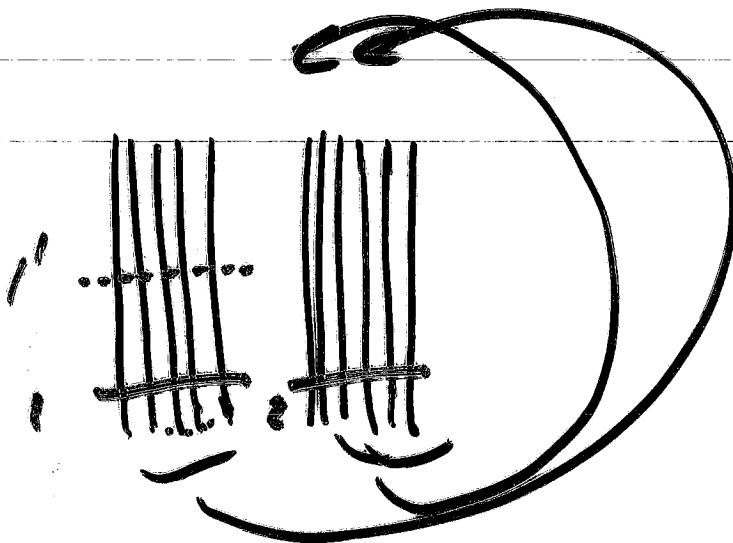
$$X_A = \left\{ \text{All sequences of } e_1 \text{ and } e_2 \right\} \cup \left\{ e_1^\infty \right\} \cup$$

$$\left\{ \dots \overset{\text{any } e_1}{e_2} \dots e_3 e_4 e_4 \dots \right\}$$

The PS-move

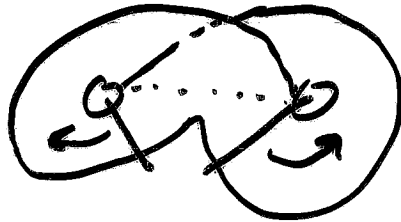
$$\begin{pmatrix} a_{11} & \dots & a_{1n} \\ \vdots & & \vdots \\ a_{n1} & \dots & a_{nn} \end{pmatrix} \longleftrightarrow \begin{pmatrix} 0 & a_{11} & \dots & a_{1n} \\ 1 & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ 0 & a_{21} & \dots & a_{2n} \\ \vdots & \vdots & & \vdots \\ 0 & a_{n1} & \dots & a_{nn} \end{pmatrix}$$

THEOREM (Parry & Sullivan): FE of matrices is generated by SSE and the PS-move.

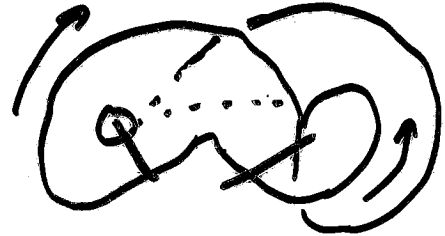


Twistwise Flow Equivalence

Let $G = \mathbb{Z}/2$.



Lorenz



Horseshoe

The indicated cross sections are both full 2-shifts. Thus, they are FE.

But they are not TWFE.

Create TWIST MATRICES:

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$B = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ t & t \end{pmatrix}$$

Invariants of TWFE

- $\text{PS}^+(\mathbf{A}) = \text{PS}(\mathbf{A}(1))$.
- $\text{PS}^-(\mathbf{A}) = \text{PS}(\mathbf{A}(-1))$.
- $\text{BF}^+(\mathbf{A}) = \text{BF}(\mathbf{A}(1))$.
- $\text{BF}^-(\mathbf{A}) = \text{BF}(\mathbf{A}(-1))$.
- $\text{BF}^\partial(\mathbf{A}) = \text{BF}(\mathbf{A}(\mathbf{T}))$, where $\mathbf{T} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$.
- $\text{Or}(\mathbf{A}) = \text{yes}$ if no Möbius, no otherwise.

EXAMPLE:

$$\mathbf{A} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & t \\ 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \qquad \mathbf{B} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & t \\ 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

All invariants are the same. But are they
TWFE???
