

Regularity and Optimization , Part 2

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Sturmian Words: 3 equivalent definitions

Consider an infinite word:

00101001001010010100100100...

- minimal complexity : $n + 1$ factors of length n .
example: 4 factors of length 3: 001, 010, 100 and 101.
- balanced : number of 1 only differ by 1 in factors of same length.
 - ▶ length 3: 1 or 2.
 - ▶ length 4: 1 or 2.
 - ▶ ...
- mechanical:
 - ▶ for all i : $w_i = \lfloor \alpha * (i + 1) + \theta \rfloor - \lfloor \alpha * i + \theta \rfloor$
or for all i : $w_i = \lceil \alpha * (i + 1) + \theta \rceil - \lceil \alpha * i + \theta \rceil$

Problem

Can we extend these notions to trees?

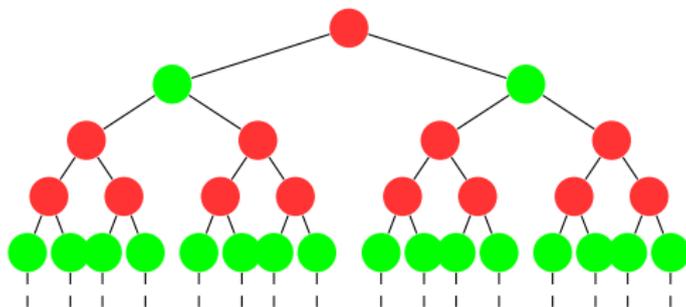
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Previous Work

Definition (Berstel, Boasson, Carton and Fagnot, 2007)

A *Sturmian tree* is a tree with $n + 1$ subtrees of size n .

Simple example:

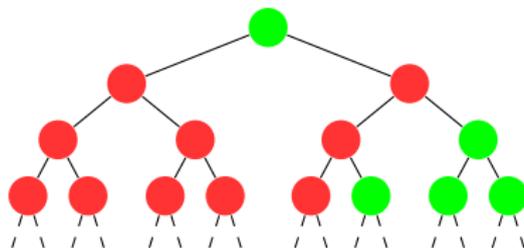


Example: The uniform tree corresponding to $0100101\dots$

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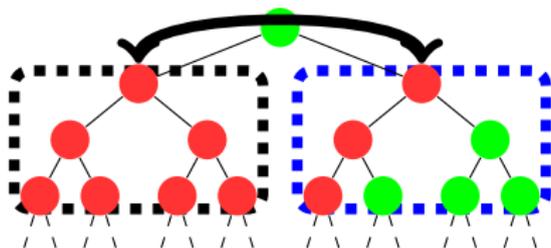
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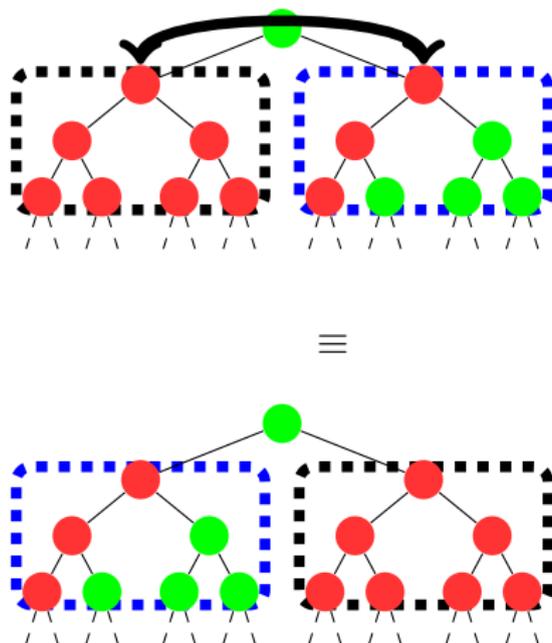
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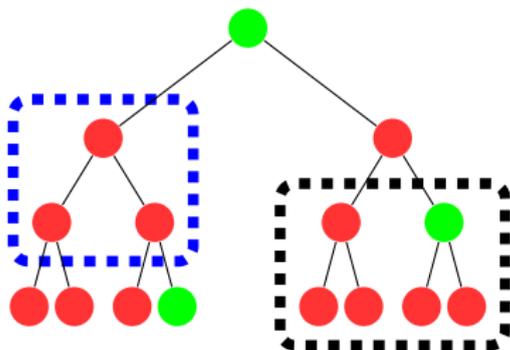
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Subtrees and Density

We define:

- Subtree of height n .
- Diff-tree of width k and height n .
- Density of a subtree = average number of 1.
- If d_n is the density of the rooted subtree of height n :
 - ▶ density = $\lim_n d_n$
 - ▶ average density = $\lim_n \frac{1}{n} \sum_{k=1}^n d_k$



First simple case

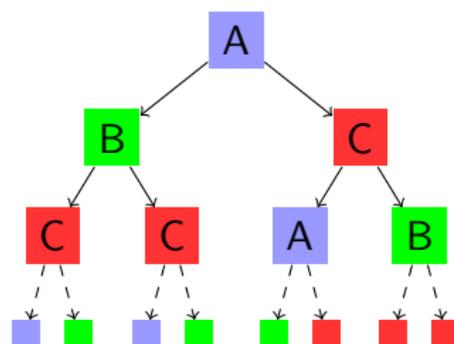
What is a non-planar Rational Tree?

Rational Trees: Definition

We call $P(n)$ = number of subtrees of size n .

Rational Trees: 3 equivalent definitions:

- $P(n)$ bounded.
- $\exists n/P(n) = P(n + 1)$
- $\exists n/P(n) \leq n$.



Rational Trees: average Density

Theorem

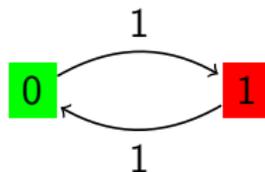
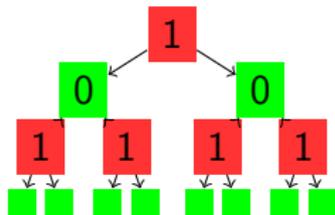
- *A rational Tree has an average density α which is rational.*

α is not necessarily a density but:

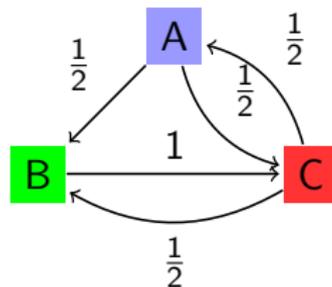
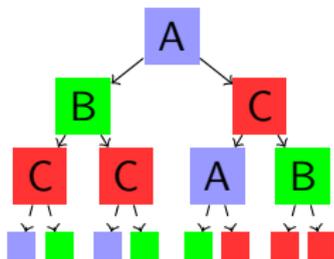
- *If the associated Markov chain is aperiodic then there exists a density.*

Example of density

- **Periodic** = average density $d_{\text{average}} = \frac{1}{2}$



- **Aperiodic** : density $d = \frac{2}{9}l_A + \frac{1}{3}l_B + \frac{4}{9}l_C$



Second case

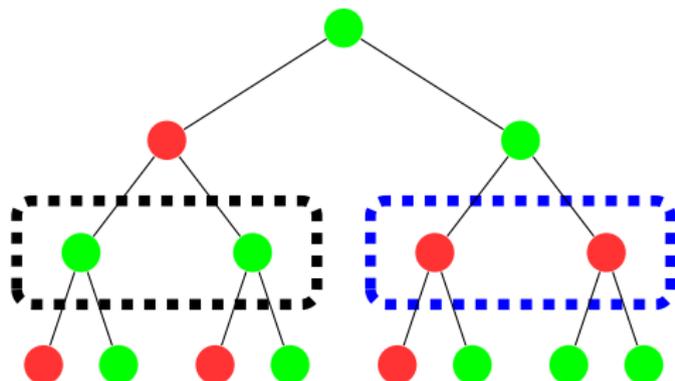
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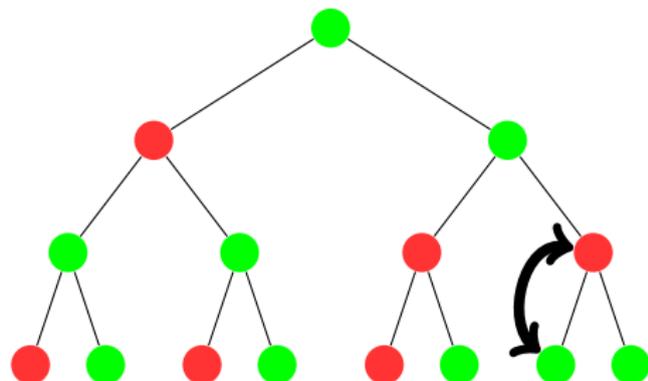
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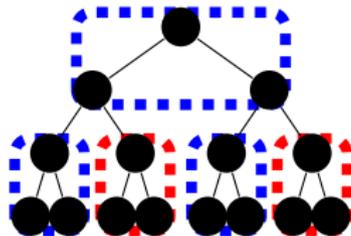
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- *A balanced tree has a density.*

Sketch of the proof

- 1 A tree of size n has a density α_n or $\alpha_n + \frac{1}{2^n - 1}$

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If **blue** has a density α_2
and **red** $\alpha_2 + \frac{1}{3}$ then
 $\alpha_2 \leq \alpha_4 \leq \alpha_2 + \frac{1}{3}$

- 3 Take limits.

Mechanical Trees

- Subtree of size n has $2^n - 1$ nodes.
- We want density α

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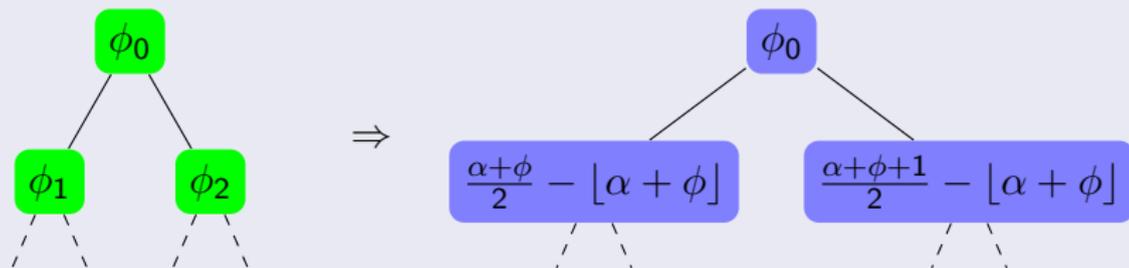
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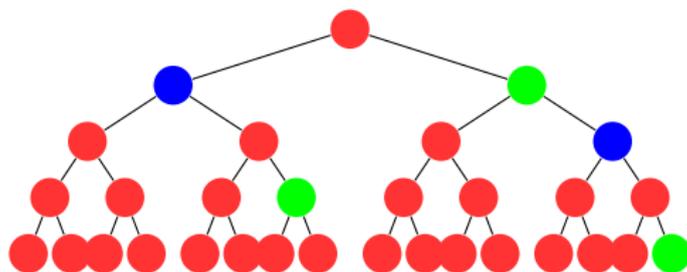
Equivalences?

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Equivalences between Definitions

Theorem (Mechanical \sim strongly balanced)

- *A mechanical tree is strongly balanced*
- *A strongly balanced tree with irrational density is mechanical*
- *A strongly balanced tree with rational density is ultimately mechanical.*



Example: Ultimately mechanical tree

Sketch of Proof

Mechanical implies strongly balanced.

The number of 1 in a subtree of size n and width k is bounded by $\lfloor (2^n - 2^k)\alpha \rfloor$ and $\lfloor (2^n - 2^k)\alpha \rfloor + 1$ □

Strongly Balanced implies mechanical.

$\forall \tau \in [0; 1)$, if h_n is the number of 1 in the subtree of size n , at least one of these properties is true:

- ① for all n : $h_n \leq \lfloor (2^n - 1)\alpha + \tau \rfloor$,
- ② for all n : $h_n \geq \lfloor (2^n - 1)\alpha + \tau \rfloor$.

We choose ϕ the maximal τ such that 1 is true. □

Theorem

- *An irrational mechanical tree is a Sturmian tree: it has $n + 1$ subtrees of height n .*

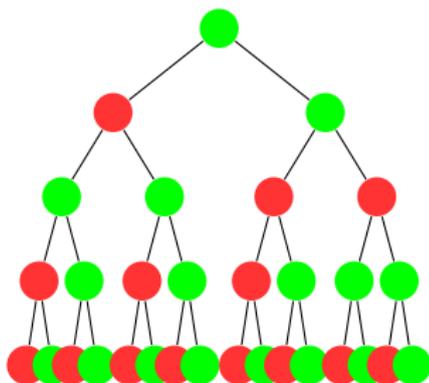
Proof.

- A subtree of size n depends only on its phase
- In fact, it depends on $((2^1 - 1)\alpha + \phi, \dots, (2^n - 1)\alpha + \phi)$ which takes $n + 1$ values when $\phi \in [0; 1)$.



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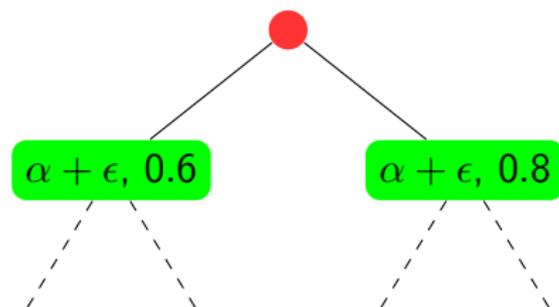
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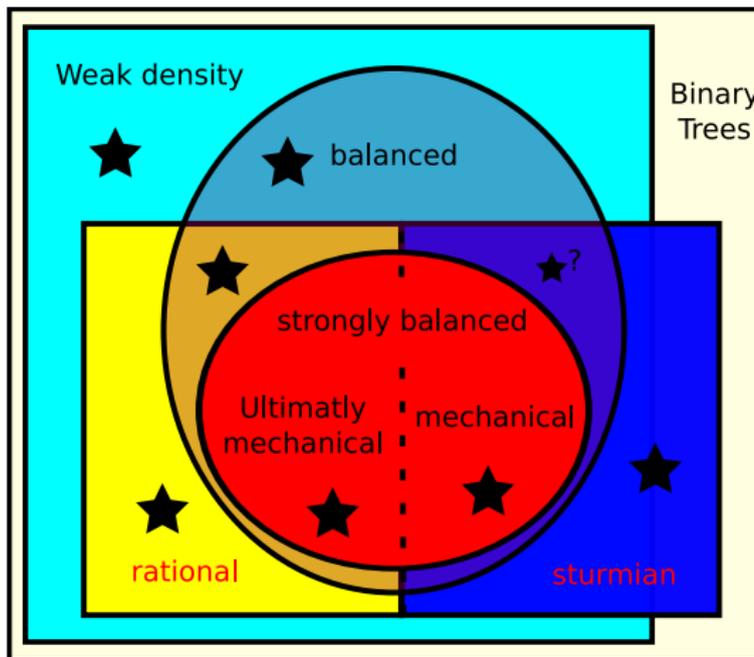
This has potential applications in optimization problem in distributed systems with a binary causal structure and generalizes some results presented in Part 1, based on the same principle.

Conclusion

- Non-planar definition better?
- Constructive definition
- Strict inclusions
- Good characterization

but:

- ▶ what are exactly balanced trees?
- ▶ how many balanced trees of size n ?



- ★ = we know a counter-example
- ★? = we think there is a counter-example