

ORBIT EQUIVALENCE OF MINIMAL
ACTIONS ON THE CANTOR SET

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LONG TERM GOAL : CLASSIFY UP TO O.E

MINIMAL FREE ACTIONS OF \mathbb{Z}^n ON THE
CANTOR SET X .

REN: MEASURABLE CASE : DYF, KRIEGER
ORNSTEIN - WEISS
CONNES - FELDMAN - WEISS.

BORBL CASE: WEISS
DOUGHERTY - JACKSON - KECHRIS

FIRST CASE: MINIMAL ACTIONS OF \mathbb{Z} KNOWN. [GPS]

GOAL: ANY MINIMAL \mathbb{Z}^2 -ACTION O.E
 \mathbb{Z} -ACTION.

EXP: (S', R_α) IRRATIONAL ROTATION

DISCONNECT S' ALONG THE α -ORBIT OF 1 PT.

GET A CANTOR SET X

(X, R_α) C.M.S. DENJOY SYST.

- α, β RATION - INDEP.

DISCONNECT S' ALONG THE β -ORBIT OF EACH ELT OF THE α -ORBIT OF A PT.

GET CANTOR SET X

R_α, R_β GENERATE MIN. \mathbb{Z}^2 -ACTION. φ

DOUBLE DENJOY SYST.

EQUIV. REL. INDUCED BY φ :

$$x R_\varphi y \Leftrightarrow \exists u, m \in \mathbb{Z} \text{ st } y = R_\alpha^u R_\beta^m x$$

G COUNTABLE GRP ACTING FREELY ON X.

$$\mathcal{R}_G = \{ (x, gx); g \in G, x \in X \}$$

TOPOLOGIZE \mathcal{R}_G VIA BIJECTION $X \times G \rightarrow \mathcal{R}_G$
 $(x, g) \mapsto (x, gx)$

THEN \mathcal{R}_G HAUSDORFF
LOC. COMPACT GROUPOID
 σ -COMPACT

MOREOVER $r: \mathcal{R}_G \rightarrow X$ RANGE
 $s: \mathcal{R}_G \rightarrow X$ SOURCE

LOCAL HOMEO.

\mathcal{R}_G ÉTALE EQUIV. REL.

PROP: (\mathcal{R}, τ) ÉTALE EQ. REL ON X CANTOR

THEN $\mathcal{R} = \mathcal{R}_G$ FOR SOME COUNTABLE
GRP OF HOMEO.

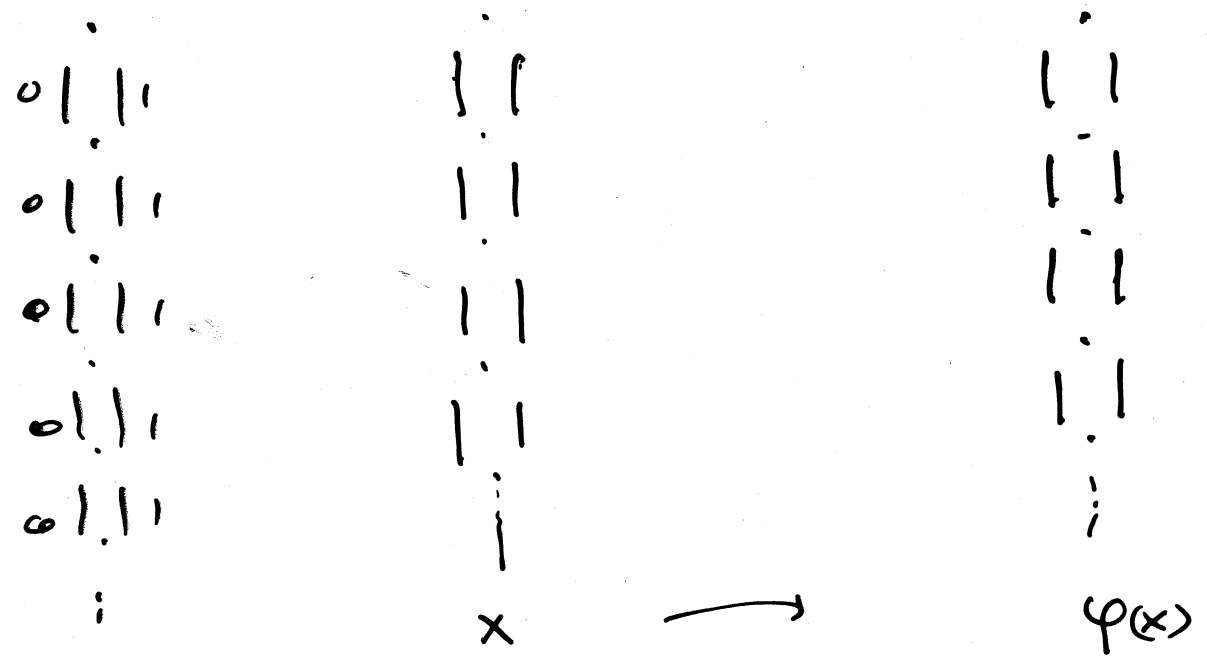
EXP. $X = \prod \{0, 1\}$ $\varphi = + (1, 0, 0, \dots)$
 WITH CARRYING OVER

(X, φ) CMS. ODOMETER.

FOR EXAMPLE, IF $x = (1, 1, 1, 0, \dots)$, THEN

$\varphi(x) = (0, 0, 0, 1, \dots)$

BRATTELI - VERSHIK MODEL.



X_B PATH SPACE

- $\mathcal{R}_\varphi \subset X \times X$ EQ. REL. INDUCED BY THE ACTION OF φ
 $x \mathcal{R}_\varphi y \iff \exists u \in \mathbb{Z}; y = \varphi^u(x).$

- $\mathcal{R} \subset X \times X$ TAIL EQUIVALENCE.

$x \mathcal{R} y \iff \exists n \text{ st } x_{\mathcal{R}} = y_{\mathcal{R}}, \forall \mathcal{R} \geq n.$

x AND y COFINAL.

REM: ① $\mathcal{R} \subset \mathcal{R}_\varphi.$

x not cofinal to $(0, -, 0, -); (1, 1, -, 1, -)$, THEN $[x]_{\mathcal{R}} = [x]_{\mathcal{R}_\varphi}$

$x = (0, -, 0, -), [x]_{\mathcal{R}} = \{ \varphi^n(x), n \geq 0 \}$

IF $y = (1, -, 1, -), [y]_{\mathcal{R}} = \{ \varphi^{-n}(y); n \geq 0 \}$

$[(0, -, 0, -)]_{\mathcal{R}_\varphi} = [(1, 1, -, 1, -)]_{\mathcal{R}} \cup [\varphi(1, -, 1, -)]_{\mathcal{R}}$

IN FACT, $\mathcal{R}_\varphi = \mathcal{R} \cup \{ (1, -, 1, -), \varphi(1, -, 1, -) \}.$

② FOR $n \geq 1, \mathcal{R}_n$ EQU. REL DEF. BY:

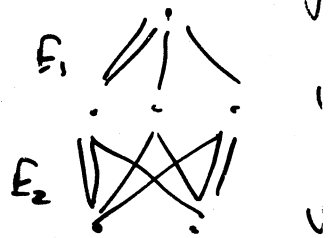
$x \mathcal{R}_n y \iff x_{\mathcal{R}} = y_{\mathcal{R}}, \forall \mathcal{R} \geq n.$

- \mathcal{R}_n FINITE EQ. REL.

- $\mathcal{R}_1 \subset \mathcal{R}_2 \subset \mathcal{R}_3 \subset \dots$ AND $\mathcal{R} = \bigcup_{n \geq 1} \mathcal{R}_n$.

IN GENERAL: (X, φ) C.M.S.

[HPS], \exists SIMPLE BRATTELI DIAG.
 $B = (\mathbb{N}, E)$



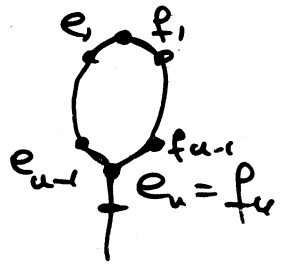
PARTIAL ORDER ON E
WITH UNIQUE MIN AND MAX PATH ST.

X_B PATH SPACE CANTOR SET

φ_U VERSHIK MAP. MINIMAL HOMEO.

(X_B, φ_U) CONS. TO (X, φ) .

REM: $\emptyset \neq \forall n \geq 1. e, f \in X_B \quad e \mathcal{R}_n f \not\equiv$



\mathcal{R}_n FINITE EQ. REL.

- $\mathcal{R} = \bigcup_{n \geq 1} \mathcal{R}_n$ TAIL EQUIV.

- $\mathcal{R} \subset \mathcal{R}_{\varphi_B}$

- IF X NOT COPINAL TO MAX, MIN, $[x]_{\mathcal{R}} = [x]_{\mathcal{R}_{\varphi_B}}$

REM: (\mathcal{R}_n, τ_n) COMPACT, WHERE τ_n RELATIVE
 TOPOLOGY. $\mathcal{R}_n \subset X \times X$.

$$(\mathcal{R}, \tau) = \varinjlim (\mathcal{R}_n, \tau_n)$$

INDUCTIVE LIMIT TOPOLOGY.

ÉTALE EQUIV. REL. AF-RELATION

CONVERSELY, ANY AF-RELATION IS GIVEN
 BY A BRATTECI DIAGRAM, $\text{AFF}(U, E)$.

FACTS: ① [HPS]. $\text{AFF}(U, E)$ MINIMAL $\Leftrightarrow (U, E)$ SIMPLE

$$\text{② [E-K]} \quad \text{AFF}(U, E) \cong \text{AFF}(U', E')$$

(i.e. $\exists f: X_B \rightarrow X_{B'}$ HOMEOMORPHISM ORBIT MAP.

$$f \times f: \text{AFF}(U, E) \rightarrow \text{AFF}(U', E') \text{ HOMEOMORPHISM.}$$

IFF

$$D(U, E) \cong D(U', E')$$

ORDER ISOM.

COME BACK TO (X_B, φ_B) .

$$\mathcal{R}_{\varphi_B} = \mathcal{R} \cup \{ (e_{\max}, e_{\min}) \}$$

" $\varphi_B(e_{\max})$

THM [GPS]. \mathcal{R}_{φ_B} O.E. \mathcal{R}

HENCE \mathcal{R}_{φ_B} O.E. AF-RELATION.

STRATEGY FOR PROVING O.E.

STEP 1: CLASSIFY UP TO O.E. AF-RELATIONS

STEP 2: (X, φ) MIN. FREE G-ACTION ON X,
SHOW \mathcal{R}_{φ} O.E. AF-RELATION.

STEP 1 IS KNOWN.:

INVARIANT: (X, \mathcal{R}) ÉTALE EQ. REL ON X CANTOR

$$D_m(X, \mathcal{R}) = C(X, \mathbb{Z}) / \{f; \int f d\mu = 0, \forall \mu \in M_1(X, \mathcal{R})\}$$

WHERE $M_1(X, \mathcal{R})$ \mathcal{R} -INV. PROB. MEAS. ON X .

POSITIVE CONE $D_m^+ = \{[f]; f \geq 0\}$.

THM [GPS] FOR MINIMAL AF-EQUIV REL.

$(D_m(X, \mathcal{R}), D_m^+, [1])$ COMPLETE INV FOR O.E.

THE \mathbb{Z} -CASE:

THM [GPS] (X, φ) CMS.

THEN \mathcal{R}_φ O.E. AF-REL.

COR: $(D_m(X, \mathcal{R}_\varphi), D_m^+, [1])$ COMPLETE INV FOR O.E.

REM:

① [PUTNAM] $C^*(X, \varphi)$ SIMPLE UNITAL, PRO AT-ALG.

② [GPS]. $(X, \varphi), (X, \psi)$ CMS.

$C^*(X, \varphi) \cong C^*(X, \psi)$ IFF $(X, \varphi) \text{ SOE } (X, \psi)$

③ [H. LIU]. (X, φ) O.E (X, ψ)

IFF

$C^*(X, \varphi)$ TRACIALLY EQUIV TO $C^*(X, \psi)$.

④ (X_i, φ_i) φ_i MIN HOMEOM; X_i COMPACT CONNECT.

φ_1 NOT FLIP CONJ. φ_2 , BUT $C^*(X_1, \varphi_1) \cong C^*(X_2, \varphi_2)$

⑤ [H. LIU - C. PHILLIPS]

STUDY OF $C^*(X, \varphi)$

φ MIN HOMEOM

X COMPACT METRIC

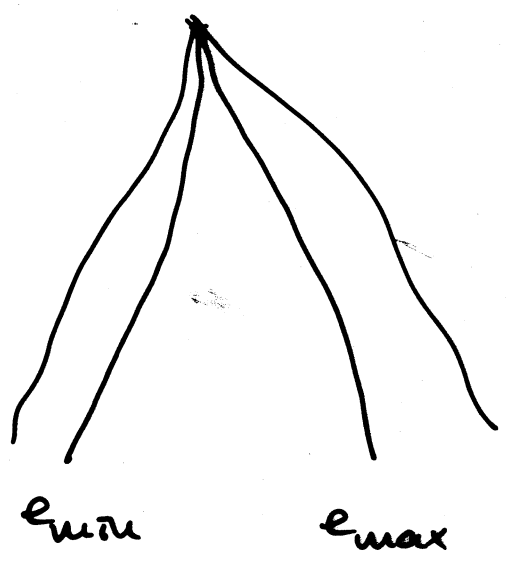
FINITE COVER. DIM.

STEP 2 FOR MIN. FREE ACTIONS φ OF \mathbb{Z}^2

STEP 2.1

SHOW THAT "SMALL" EXTENSIONS
OF A MIN. AF-REL. ARE O.E.
TO THE ORIGINAL ACTION.

RECALL: (X_B, φ_B) B-V. MODEL.



$$\varphi_B(e_{max}) = e_{min}.$$

$$\mathcal{R}_{\varphi_B} = \mathcal{R} \vee \{ (e_{min}, e_{max}) \}$$

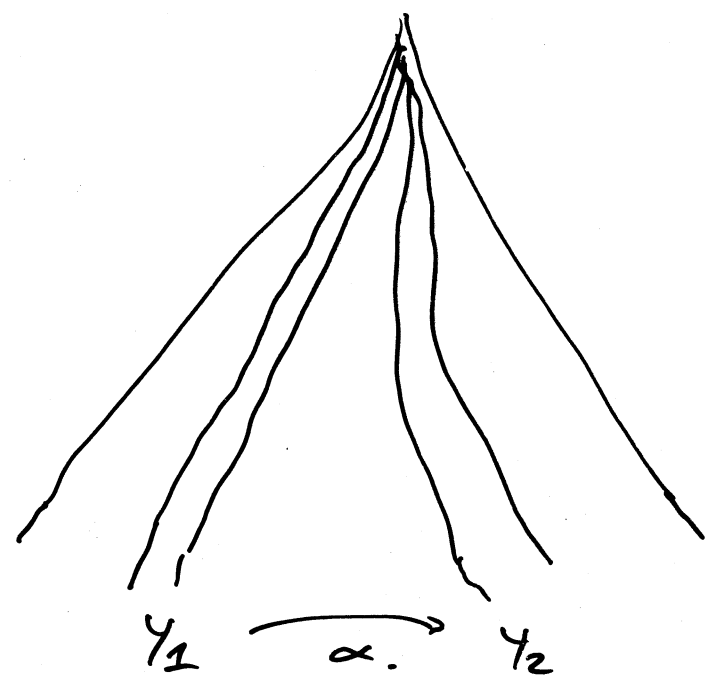
O.E. \mathcal{R} .

THM: THE ABSORPTION THM.

(X, \mathcal{R}) MINIMAL AF-REL.

Y_1, Y_2 CLOSED

$\alpha: Y_1 \rightarrow Y_2$ HOMEOM. ST.



1) $\mathcal{R} \cap (Y_1 \times Y_2) = \emptyset$

2) Y_i THIN.

$(\mu(Y_i) = 0 \ \forall \mu \in \mathcal{M}(X, \mathcal{R}))$

3) $\mathcal{R} \cap (Y_i \times Y_i)$ ETALE REL. ON Y_i

4) $y_1 \mathcal{R} y_1' \iff \alpha(y_1) \mathcal{R} \alpha(y_1')$

THEN $\mathcal{R} \cup \text{GRAPH}(\alpha) \in \mathcal{R}$.

(IN PARTICULAR $\mathcal{R} \cup \text{GRAPH}(\alpha)$ IS AF).

STEP. 2.2

(X, φ) FREE MIN. ACTION OF \mathbb{Z}^2 ON X .

CONSTRUCT A SEQUENCE $\mathcal{R}_1 \subset \mathcal{R}_2 \subset \dots$ OF COMPACT OPEN SUBEQUIV. OF \mathcal{R}_φ ST.

① $\mathcal{R} = \bigcup_{u \geq 1} \mathcal{R}_u$ MINIMAL AF

② Y_1, Y_2 CLOSED, $\alpha: Y_1 \rightarrow Y_2$ HOMEO AS IN THE ABSORPTION THM.

THEN $\mathcal{R}_\varphi = \mathcal{R} \vee \text{GRAPH}(\alpha)$.

REM: - A. FORREST LARGE AF SUBREL OF \mathcal{R}_φ

- IMPLICIT CONSTR.

BELLISARD - BENEDETTI - GAMBRAUDO
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COCYCLE AND POSITIVE COCYCLES.

(X, φ) FREE ACTION OF \mathbb{Z}^2 ON X .

- $\theta: X \times \mathbb{Z}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}$. (ONE-) COCYCLE.

θ CONT. AND $\theta(x, m+u) = \theta(x, m) + \theta(\varphi^u(x), u)$.

REM: $\theta: \mathcal{R}_\varphi \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}$ HOMO.

$$\theta((x, y)(y, z)) = \theta(x, z) = \theta(x, y) + \theta(y, z).$$

- A COCYCLE θ IS A COBOUNDARY IF

$$\theta(x, n) = h(x) - h(\varphi^{-u}(x)) \quad h \in C(X, \mathbb{Z}).$$

$$- \quad \underline{H^1(X, \varphi)} (= H^1(\mathcal{R}_\varphi)) = \frac{Z^1(X, \varphi)}{B^1(X, \varphi)}.$$

REM: $\theta \in Z^1(X, \varphi)$.

$$\text{ker } \theta = \{ (x, y) \in \mathcal{R}_\varphi; \theta(x, y) = 0 \} \subset \mathcal{R}_\varphi.$$

Exp 1: $\varphi: X \hookrightarrow \text{HOMEO.}$; $\mathbb{R} = \mathbb{R}_\varphi$

$\theta \in \mathbb{Z}^1(X, \varphi)$; $\theta: X \times \mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}$.

SET $f(x) = \theta(x, 1)$. $\theta(x, z) = \theta(x, 1) + \theta(\varphi(x), 1)$
 $= f(x) + f(\varphi(x))$.

SO. $\theta \longleftrightarrow f$.

$\theta \in \mathbb{B}^1(X, \varphi)$, $\theta(x, 1) = f(x) = h(x) - h(\varphi^{-1}(x))$

HENCE, $H^1(X, \varphi) \cong \frac{C(X, \mathbb{Z})}{\{f \circ \varphi^{-1} - f\}} = K^0(X, \varphi)$.

Exp-2: φ \mathbb{Z}^2 -ACTION. ; $\mathbb{R} = \mathbb{R}_\varphi$.

NOTATION: $\alpha \in \text{HOMEO}(X)$. $\mathcal{D}_\alpha: C(X, \mathbb{Z}) \hookrightarrow$

$$\mathcal{D}_\alpha f = f - f \circ \alpha^{-1}$$

$\theta \in \mathbb{Z}^1(X, \varphi)$. ; a, b GENERATORS OF \mathbb{Z}^2

$$\theta^a(x) = \theta(x, a) , \theta^b(x) = \theta(x, b)$$

THEN $\mathcal{D}_b(\theta^a) = \mathcal{D}_a(\theta^b)$

CONVERSELY: $f, g \in C(X, \mathbb{Z})$ ST. $\mathcal{D}_b f = \mathcal{D}_a g$

THEN THERE IS A UNIQUE COCYCLE θ ST.

$$\theta^a = f \quad \text{AND} \quad \theta^b = g$$

SPECIAL CASE:

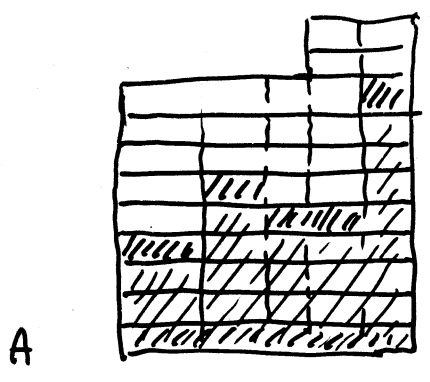
A, B CLOPEN WITH

1) $A \cap \varphi^a(B) = \emptyset$

2) $A \cup \varphi^a(B) = B \cup \varphi^b(A)$

THEN (χ_A, χ_B) COCYCLE.

Exp:



$\varphi^b(A)$
B

TOWER FOR φ^a

POSITIVE COCYCLES

EXP: (X, φ) CMS. $\varphi: X \rightarrow X$

$\theta \in Z^1(X, \varphi) \iff f(x) = \theta(x, 1).$

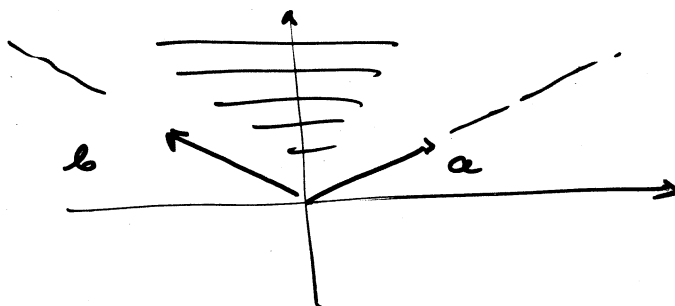
THEN: $f \geq 0 \iff \theta|_{X \times \mathbb{N}} \geq 0$

$f \neq 0 \iff \theta|_{X \times \mathbb{N}}$ PROPER MAP.

✓ φ FREE \mathbb{Z}^2 -ACTION.

IF a, b GEN. OF \mathbb{Z}^2 , SET

$$C(a, b) =$$



$$C(a, b) = \{ ka + lb ; k, l \geq 0 \}$$

DEF: $\theta \in \mathbb{Z}^2 (X, \varphi)$.

θ POSITIVE WRT $C(a, b)$ IF $\theta \mid_{X \times C(a, b)} \geq 0$.

θ STRICTLY POSITIVE WRT $C(a, b)$ IF

$$\theta : X \times C(a, b) \rightarrow \{0, 1, 2, \dots\} \text{ PROPER.}$$

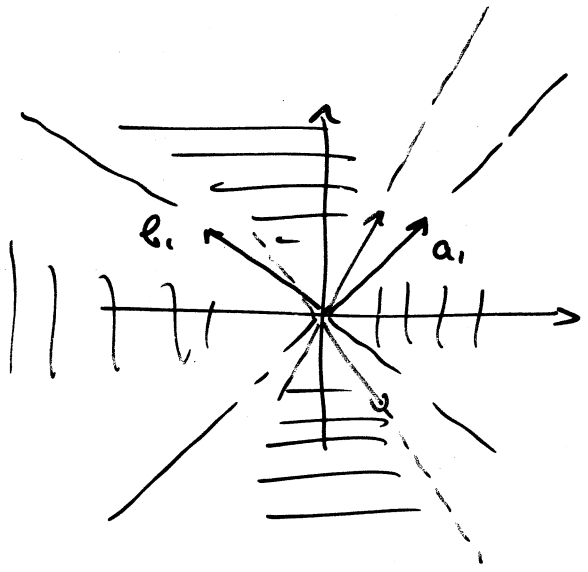
THM: C_1, \dots, C_k CONES IN \mathbb{Z}^2 ST.

$$\bigcup_{i=1}^k C_i \cup (-C_i) = \mathbb{Z}^2$$

θ_i STRICT. ≥ 0 WRT. C_i

THEN $\bigcap_{i=1}^k \ker \theta_i$ COMPACT ETALE EQ. REL.

REM:



$$\equiv R^1 \cup (R^1)^{-1}$$

$$\equiv R^2 \cup (R^2)^{-1}$$

DEF:

φ FREE MIN ACTION OF \mathbb{Z}^2

φ HAS ARBIT. SMALL STRICTLY ≥ 0 COCYCLES

IF FOR EVERY PAIR OF GEN. $\alpha, \beta \in \mathbb{Z}^2$

FOR $n \geq 1$,

$\exists \theta \in \mathbb{Z}^1(R_\varphi)$ 1) STRICTLY ≥ 0 WRT $C(\alpha, \beta)$

$$2) \theta^n(\alpha + \beta) \leq 1.$$

THM:

DENJOY (α, β)

HAVE ASSP. COCYCLE

TWO ODOMETERS.

PRODUCT OF 2 C.M.S

REM: ① $\exists \varphi \mathbb{Z}^2$ -ACTION OF X
 MINIMAL, BUT NOT FREE
 ST. $H^1(X, \varphi) = \mathbb{Z}^2$

② IN THE ODOMETER CASE,

$$0 \rightarrow \mathbb{Z} \rightarrow H^1(X, \varphi) \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}[\frac{1}{2}] \rightarrow 0$$

③ IN THE DENJOY EXAMPLE

$$H^1(X, \varphi) \cong \mathbb{Z}^3$$

MORE GEN. FOR EVERY \mathbb{Z}^2 -ACTION
 COMING FROM THE CUT AND PROJ. METH.

$$H^1(X, \varphi) \cong \mathbb{Z}^p, \quad p \geq 3.$$

THM [GPS]. (X, φ) FREE MIN. \mathbb{Z}^2 -ACTION ON
CANTOR SET X

SUPPOSE FOR EVERY $a, b \in \mathbb{Z}^2$ SYST OF GEN
THERE EXIST ASSP COCYCLES ON $C(a, b)$

THEN \mathcal{R}_φ OE. AF-EQUIV. REL.

COR: $(X_1, \mathcal{R}_1), (X_2, \mathcal{R}_2)$ MIN. ACTIONS ON CANTOR

ST. \mathcal{R}_2 EITHER AF, $\mathcal{R}_{\mathbb{Z}}$, $\mathcal{R}_{\mathbb{Z}^2}$
WITH ASSP COCY.

THEN, \mathcal{R}_1 OE \mathcal{R}_2 .
IFF

$$(D_{\text{un}}(X_1, \mathcal{R}_1), D_{\text{un}}^+, [\mathbb{Z}]) \cong (D_{\text{un}}(X_2, \mathcal{R}_2), D_{\text{un}}^+, [\mathbb{Z}])$$

ORDER ISOM.

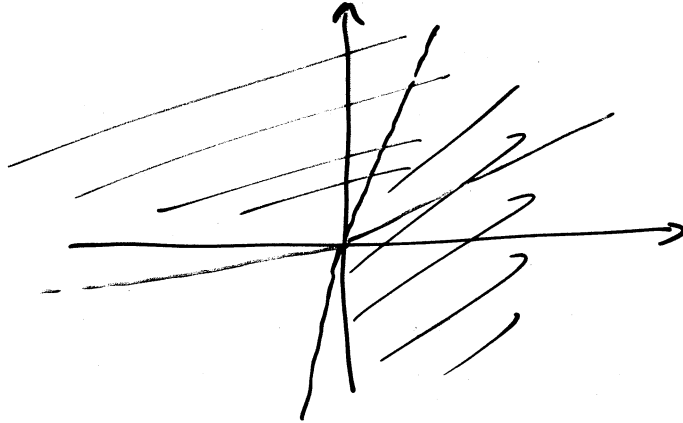
REMARKS ON THE PF:

① CONSTRUCTION OF \mathcal{R}_1 .

FIND PAIR OF SURJECTIVE SP. COCYCLES ξ', η' ST.

ξ' SP.

η' SP



C_{ξ_1}

\mathbb{Z}^2 -ORBIT OF $x \in X$.

$\xi' = -1$

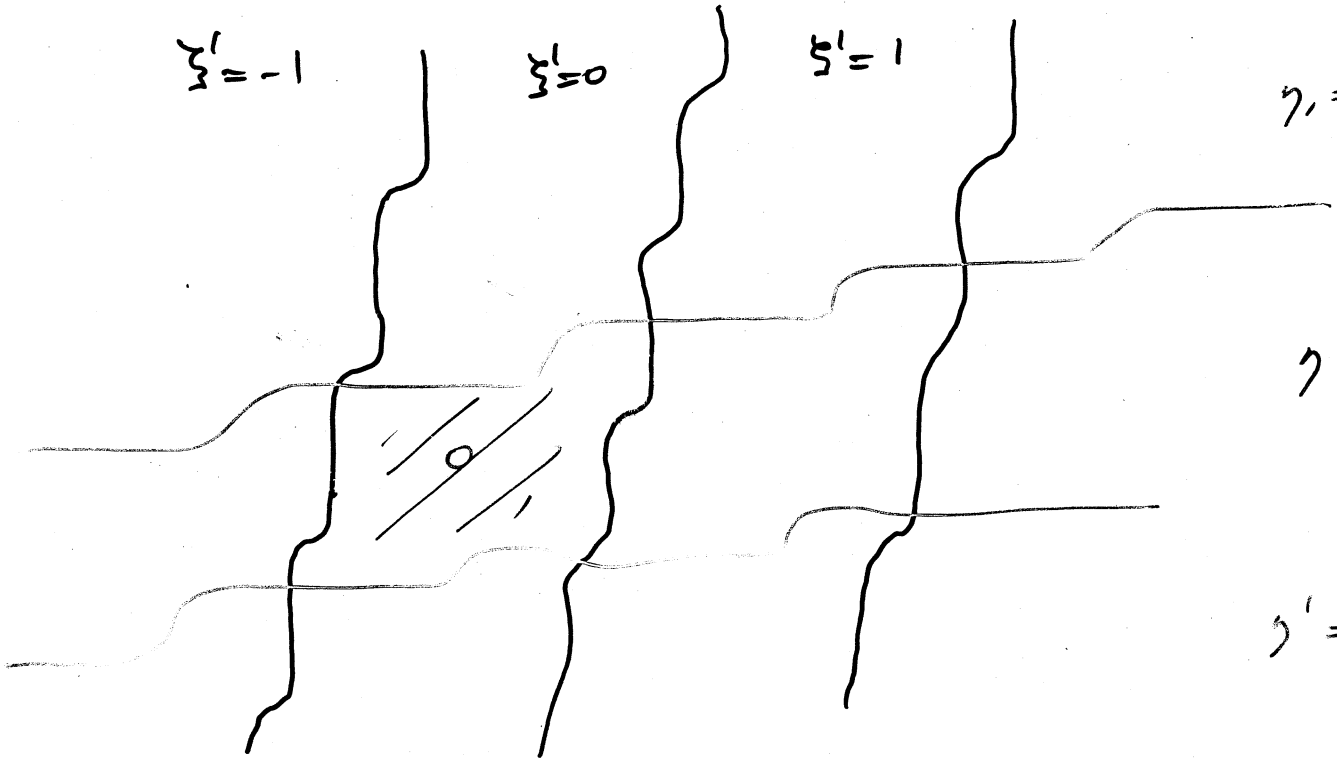
$\xi' = 0$

$\xi' = 1$

$\eta' = 1$

$\eta' = 0$

$\eta' = -1$

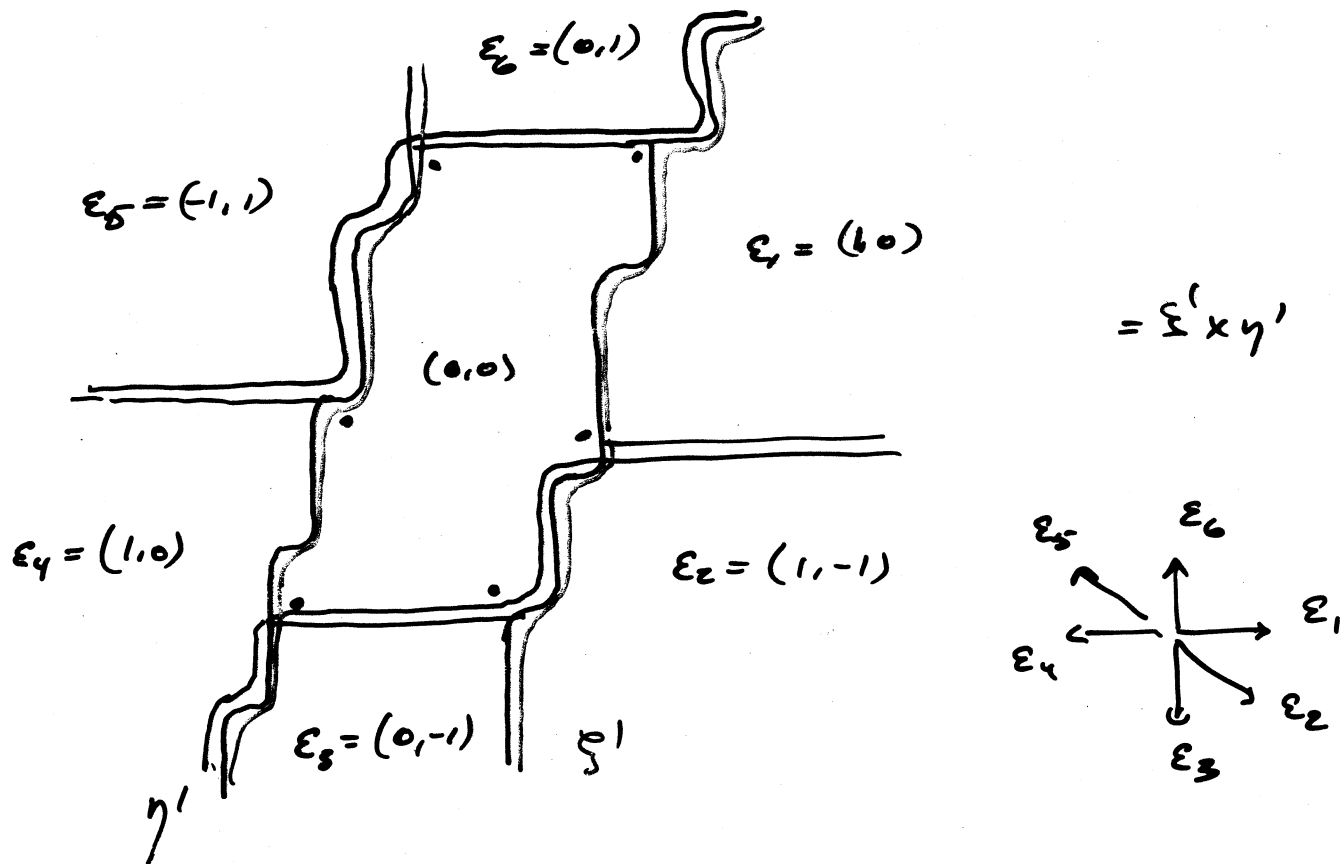


FACT:

$$C_{\xi_1} \cup (-C_{\xi_1}) \cup (C_{\eta_1}) \cup (-C_{\eta_1}) = \mathbb{Z}^2$$

\Rightarrow Rel $\xi_1 \times \eta_1$ COMPACT OPEN SURFON.

CAN ASSUME (AFTER SMALL MODIF BY COBOUND.)



SET $E = \{E_1, E_2, E_3\}$, $E^* = \{E_4, E_5, E_6\}$

THEN $x \in X$, $\Sigma' \times \gamma' (x, E) \subset E \cup \{(0,0)\}$
 E^* E^*

$$E'(x) = \Sigma' \times \gamma' (x, E \cup E^*) - \{(0,0)\}$$

THEN $\# E'(x) \leq 2$.

IF $\# E'(x) = 2$, THEN $E'(x) = \{E_i, E_{i-1}\}$ AND

$$\Sigma' \times \gamma' (x, E_i) = E_i , \quad \Sigma' \times \gamma' (x, E_{i-1}) = E_{i-1}$$

THEY ARE THE "CORNERS"

IF $\# E'(x) = 1$, THEN $\Sigma' \times \gamma' (x, E_i) = E_i$
BOUNDARIES

② CAN CONSTRUCT SEQ OF SSP COCYCLES.

$$\xi^u, \eta^u \text{ ST. } \text{Per } \xi^u \times \eta^u \supset \text{Per } \xi^{u-1} \times \eta^{u-1}$$

$$\text{"} \quad \text{"} \\ \mathcal{R}_u \quad \mathcal{R}_{u-1}$$

$$\mathcal{R} = \cup \mathcal{R}_u \text{ AF-REL., MIN.. } \mathcal{R} \subset \mathcal{R}_\varphi$$

IF $B_i = \{x \in X; \xi^1 \times \eta^1(x, \varepsilon_i) = \varepsilon_i; \#E_u(x) = 1 \forall$

THEN $B = \bigcup_{i=1}^3 B_i, B^* = \bigcup_{i=4}^6 B_i$ BOUNDARIES

- B, B^* THIN, CLOSED
- $\varphi^{\varepsilon_i}(B_i) = B_{i+3}$ HENCE $\beta: B \rightarrow B^*$
- $\mathcal{R}_\varphi = \mathcal{R} \vee \text{Graph } \beta.$

BUT $\mathcal{R} \not|_{B \times B}$ AND $\mathcal{R} \not|_{B^* \times B^*}$ NOT ÉTALE

③ DEFINE $\mathcal{R}' \subset \mathcal{R}$ ST $\mathcal{R}' \not|_{B \times B}$ ÉTALE
AF MIN
BY COLOURING.

THEN. $\mathcal{R}' \vee \text{Graph } \beta = \tilde{\mathcal{R}} \in \mathcal{R}'$

④ IF $C_i = \{x \in X; E^u(x) = \{\varepsilon_i, \varepsilon_{i-1}\} \forall u \geq 1\}$,

$\tilde{\mathcal{R}} \not|_{C_i \times C_i} = \text{EQUALITY}$, HENCE ÉTALE

THEN \mathcal{R}_φ FINITE EXT. OF $\tilde{\mathcal{R}}$

(VIA $\delta_3: C_1 \rightarrow C_3 \quad \delta_3 = \varphi^{e_6}, \dots$)

HENCE \mathcal{R}_φ OE. AF-REL.