

# "Digital" entropy as an invariant under a refinement of the partition of the interval

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Let  $I = [0, n]$  be a closed interval and let  $T = \{0, 1, \dots, n\}$  be a set of partition points of  $I$ . Let  $f : I \rightarrow I$  be a piecewise-continuous Markov map with respect to the partition points  $T$ , that is,  $f$  satisfies that (1)  $f$  is strictly monotonic and continuous on each subinterval  $I_i = (i, i + 1)$   $i = 0, 1, \dots, n - 1$  and (2) both the right and left limits  $f(i^+) = \lim_{x \rightarrow i^+} f(x)$  and  $f(i^-) = \lim_{x \rightarrow i^-} f(x)$  are elements of  $T$ . Let  $A$  be a  $0 - 1$  matrix of size  $n \times n$  which is induced by  $f$  with  $T$ . Let  $S = \{0 = s_0 < s_1 < \dots < s_{m+n} = n\}$  be a partition of the interval  $[0, n]$  such that  $S$  is a refinement of  $T$  (that is,  $T \subset S$ ) and  $f$  with  $S$  also induces a  $0 - 1$  matrix  $B$  of size  $(m + n) \times (m + n)$ .

Then we have the following results:

**Proposition 1** Suppose that for any  $s_i \in S - T$  there exists  $k \in \mathbb{N}$  such that  $f^k(s_i) \in T$ , that is,  $S - T$  consists of  $m$  eventually cyclic points. Then the characteristic polynomial  $Ch_B(\lambda)$  of  $B$  is expressed as the product of the characteristic polynomial  $Ch_A(\lambda)$  of  $A$  and  $\lambda^m$ , that is,

$$Ch_B(\lambda) = Ch_A(\lambda) \lambda^m.$$

**Proposition 2** Suppose that  $S - T$  consists of the orbit of an  $m$ -cycle induced by  $(-)$ -signed closed walk in  $G_f$ . Then

$$Ch_B(\lambda) = Ch_A(\lambda) (\lambda^m + 1).$$

**Proposition 3** Suppose that  $S - T$  consists of the orbit of an  $m$ -cycle induced by  $(+)$ -signed closed walk in  $G_f$ . Then

$$Ch_B(\lambda) = Ch_A(\lambda) (\lambda^m - 1).$$

Combining Propositions 1-3, we may have the following:

**Proposition 4** Suppose that  $S - T$  consists of  $m_0$  of eventually cyclic points,  $m_i$  of  $(-)$ -signed  $l_i$ -cycles ( $i = 1, \dots, j$ ), and  $m_i$  of  $(+)$ -signed  $l_i$ -cycles ( $i = j + 1, \dots, k$ ), where  $m_0 + \sum_{i=1}^k m_i l_i = m$ . Then

$$Ch_B(\lambda) = Ch_A(\lambda) \lambda^{m_0} \prod_{i=1}^j (\lambda^{l_i} + 1)^{m_i} \prod_{i=j+1}^k (\lambda^{l_i} - 1)^{m_i}.$$

**Note:** Proposition 1 implies that the "digital" entropy of  $\theta$  does **not** depend on how to choose a refinement of the partition of the interval  $[0, n - 1]$ , if the refined partition does not include any periodic orbit, except  $T$ , the orbit of the  $n$ -cycle with type  $\theta$ .

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