

# Periodic representations in Salem bases

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### Theorem (V.)

*Let  $\beta$ ,  $|\beta| > 1$ , be an algebraic number, then there exists  $\mathcal{A} \subset \mathbb{Z}$  such that every element of  $\mathbb{Q}(\beta)$  admits an eventually periodic  $(\beta, \mathcal{A})$ -representation.*

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**Schmidt conjectured:**  $\text{Per}(\beta) = \mathbb{Q}(\beta)$  holds for Salem numbers although a little is known (and that little is thanks to D. Boyd)

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*If each  $x \in \mathbb{Q}(\beta) \cap B_r(0)$  for some  $r > 0$  has an eventually periodic representation of the form  $x = \sum_{i \geq 1} a_i \beta^{-i}$ , then  $|\beta'| = |\beta|$  or  $|\beta'| \leq 1$  holds for all the conjugates  $\beta'$  of  $\beta$ .*

P. Savický, J. Šíma: Quasi-Periodic  $\beta$ -expansions and Cut Languages, Theoret. comp. sci., 2018

P. Savický: Eventually periodic representations for  $\beta \approx 1.722084$  Salem root of  $x^4 - x^3 - x^2 - x + 1$  and  $\mathcal{A} = \{-2, -1, 0, 1, 2\}$



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Greedy expansions:  $V = [0, 1)$ ,  $D(x) = \lfloor \beta x \rfloor$

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If  $T^n(x) = T^m(x)$  for some  $m, n \in \mathbb{N}$ , then we get an eventually periodic representation

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Solution: We define  $V$  bounded in embeddings where  $\beta$  is big, i.e.

- ▶ Embeddings corresponding to  $|\beta'| \geq 1$
- ▶  $p$ -adic embeddings where  $|\beta|_p > 1$

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But if

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then

$$\beta' B_m(0) \subset \bigcup_{a \in \mathcal{A}} (B_m(0) + a)$$

holds for any  $m > 1$  (with the same alphabet!)

## General case

$$\beta^{-n}x \in V_m := \prod_{\substack{p|\infty \\ |\beta|_p > 1}} B_1(0) \times \prod_{\substack{p|\infty \\ |\beta|_p = 1}} B_m(0) \times \prod_{\substack{p|\infty \\ |\beta|_p > 1}} \mathcal{O}_p \subset \mathbb{K}_\beta$$

For each individual set  $V_p$  in the product we can find  $\mathcal{A}_p$  such that

$$\beta V_p \subset \bigcup_{a \in \mathcal{A}_p} (V_p + a)$$

Then with  $\mathcal{A} = \prod_p \mathcal{A}_p$  we have  $\beta V_m \subseteq \bigcup_{a \in \mathcal{A}} (V_m + a)$

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We cannot get weak-greedy property for non Pisot and non Salem bases (and their complex analogy): start with  $x$  big in some embedding where  $|\beta|_p > 1$

## Question #2

Given  $\beta$  and  $\mathcal{A}$ , can we tell whether  $\mathbb{Q}(\beta)$  admits eventually periodic  $(\beta, \mathcal{A})$ -representations?



## Theorem (V.)

Let  $\beta$  have no conjugate on the unit circle. The following statements are equivalent

1.  $\mathbb{Q}(\beta)$  admits eventually periodic  $(\beta, \mathcal{A})$ -representations
2.  $\mathbb{Z}[\beta]$  admits eventually periodic  $(\beta, \mathcal{A})$ -representations
3. The set

$$X^{\mathcal{A}}(\beta) = \{a_{-k}\beta^k + \cdots + a_{-1}\beta + a_0 : a_i \in \mathcal{A}, k \in \mathbb{N}\}$$

is relatively dense in  $\mathbb{K}_\beta$

4.  $0 \in \text{int}(K) \subset \mathbb{K}_\beta$ , where  $\beta K = \bigcup_{a \in \mathcal{A}} (K + a)$