

Algorithmic investigation of substitution tilings and their associated graph Laplacians

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Background Information

Aperiodic Tiling

- An aperiodic tiling is a tiling of a plane that does not form repeating patterns.
- Some aperiodic tilings can be formed by applying inflate-and-subdivide (substitution) rules to an initial tile.
- 1-dimensional tilings are better understood than 2-dimensional tilings.



Figure 1: Fibonacci tiling

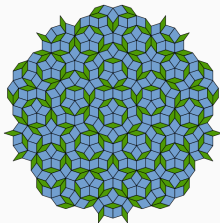
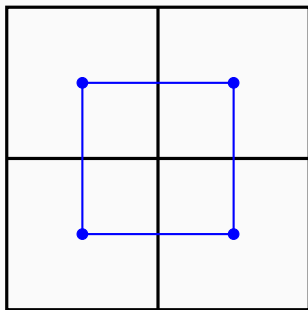


Figure 2: Penrose tiling

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Dual Graph

The dual graph G of a tiling has a node for each tile and an edge connect each pair of tiles that share an edge.



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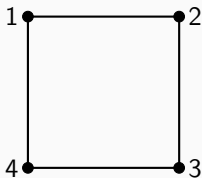
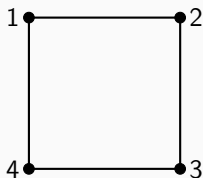


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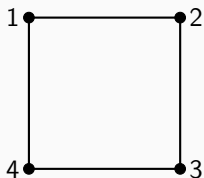
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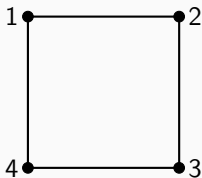
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- There exist 1-dimensional methods, but can we do it 2-dimensionally? Yes!

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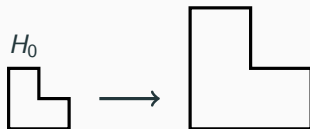
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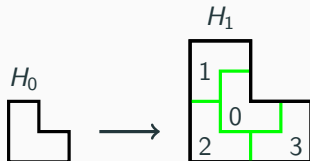
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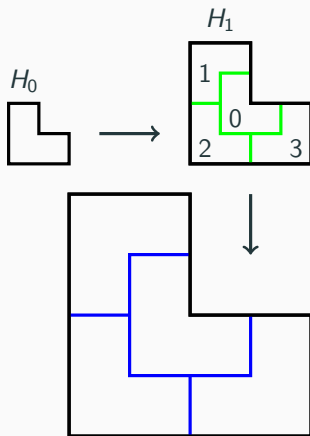
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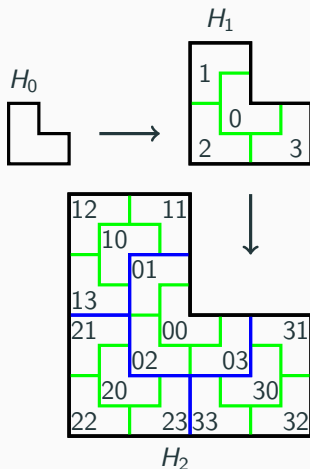
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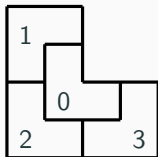
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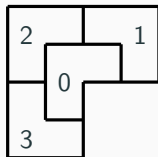


Rotations

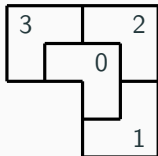
There exist four different rotations of a sub-tiling.



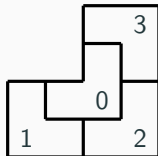
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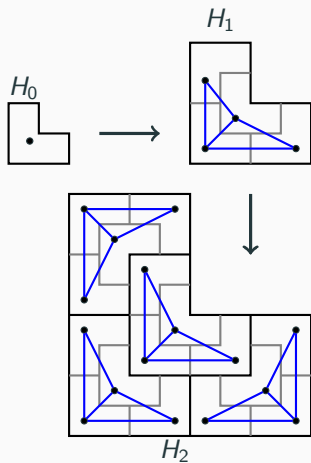


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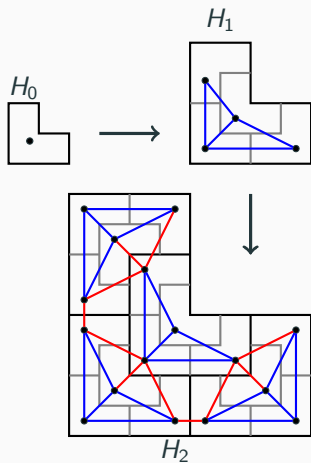


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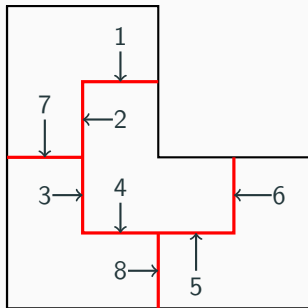


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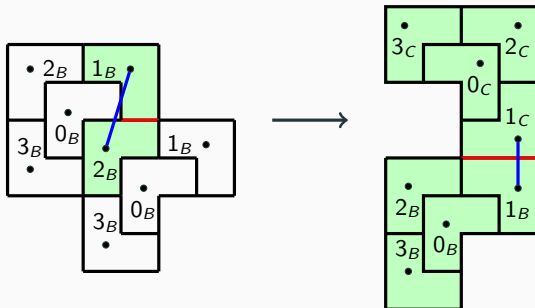


Quadrant Separations

We look at the substitution for each of the 8 line segments separating the quadrants.



Example



This case corresponds to the following rule in the 2-dimensional substitution.

- $(2_B, 1_B) \mapsto (1_B, 1_C)$ from line 1.

Line 1

North side	South side
$0_B \mapsto 0_B 1_B$	$2_B \mapsto 2_B 1_B$
$1_B \mapsto 1_C$	$1_B \mapsto 3_C 2_C$
$1_C \mapsto 1_D 2_D$	$3_C \mapsto 2_B 1_B$
$1_D \mapsto 2_A 3_A$	$2_C \mapsto 3_C 2_C$
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Paired substitution

We pair the substitutions for either side of a line to create 2-d substitutions.

Line 1

$$(2_B, 0_B) \mapsto (2_B, 0_B)(2_B, 1_B)$$

$$(2_B, 1_B) \mapsto (1_B, 1_C)$$

$$(1_B, 1_C) \mapsto (3_C, 1_D)(2_C, 2_D)$$

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Pinwheel Tiling

Pinwheel Substitution

- Defined by Radin and Conway
- Infinite orientations, so look at shapes created
- 5 quint-ants, so number in base 5
- For next iteration:
 - Inflate each tile by $\sqrt{5}$
 - Divide into copy of T_1

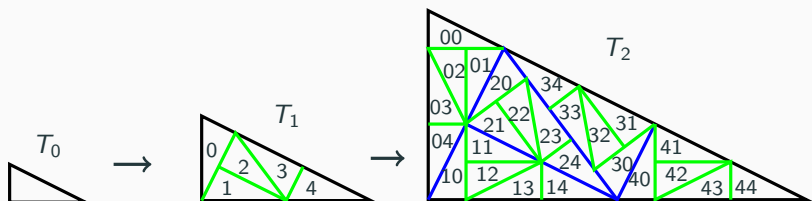
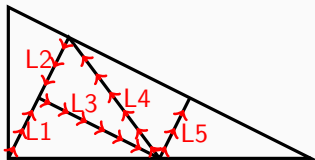


Figure 4: Pinwheel Tiling

Lines with New Edges

- 5 lines
- Direction will be important when finding 1-D substitution
- Direction doesn't affect edges
 - This way makes different lines have the same rules



2-D Substitution Across Lines

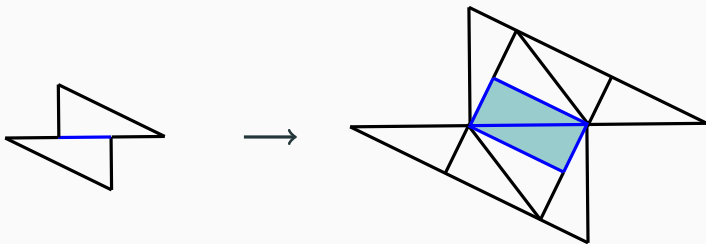
- Focus on shapes made across 5 lines
- Example with line between quint-ant 2 and quint-ant 3
- Split into two so we can see all the shapes
 - Middle tiles are part of 2 shapes because of adjacency to 2 tiles



Figure 5: Shapes Formed between Quint-ants 2 and 3

2-D Substitution

- Blue line is where two tiles meet between quint-ants
- Want to know what shape will be on line after one iteration
- Use this process for all 7 of shapes that are created



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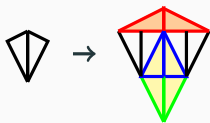


Figure 6: Forward Kite (A)
and Backward Kite (B)

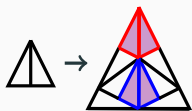


Figure 7: Forward Acute (C)
and Backward Acute (D)



Figure 8: Forward Obtuse (E)
and Backward Obtuse (F)

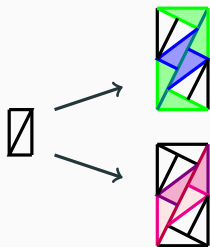
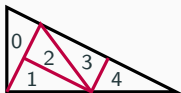


Figure 9: Rectangle (G)

1-D Substitution Naming

- Number based on the position inside the T_1 tiling that the tile is in
 - Last digit when in base 5
- Letter to represent the shape it creates across the edge, as well as direction
- i.e. 1_A if it's in the one spot, and a part of a forward kite



1-D Substitution Pairs

Quint-ant 0

$1_B \mapsto 0_F 3_D 4_C \mapsto 0_B 4_A 1_A 1_B 4_B \mapsto 0_F 3_D 4_C 4_D 3_C 0_E 4_D 3_C 0_E 3_D 4_C 0_F 3_D 4_C$
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Quint-ant 2

Figure 10: Line 2

Paired 1-D Substitution

Line 2

$$(0_B, 1_B) \mapsto (0_F, 0_F)(3_D, 3_D), (4_C, 4_C)$$

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$$(3_D, 3_D) \mapsto (4_A, 4_A)(1_A, 1_A)$$

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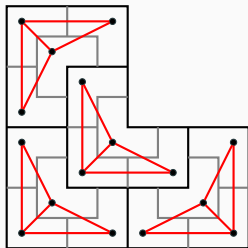
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The Algorithm

$$L_i = L_i^* + L'_i$$

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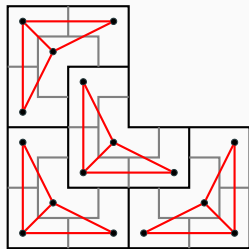
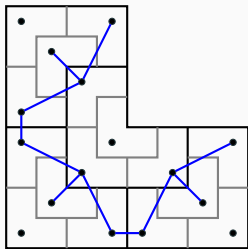


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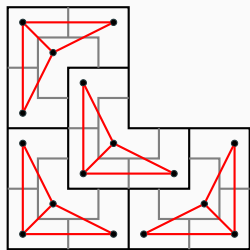
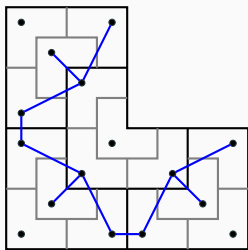
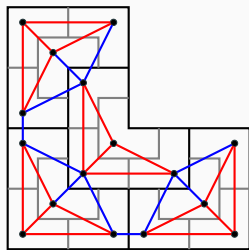
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