

# Modulated Chaos as a Source of Images for Number Poems

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**Abstract** Mario Markus, a Chilean scientist and artist from Dortmund Max Planck Institute, has exposed, in (Markus, 2016), a large set of images of Lyapunov exponents for the logistic equation modulated through rhythmic oscillation of parameters. The pictures display features like foreground/background contrast, visualizing superstability, structural instability and, above all, multistability in a way visually analogous to three-dimensional representation (Markus, 2016a). The present paper aims at classifying, through codification of numbers using the unit interval, the ensemble of fractal images thus generated. This is part of a bigger project, which is the classification of style of fractals - a common endeavor to Art and Science.

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## 1. Introduction

In 1872, the Felix Klein Erlangen Program aimed at the complete classification of geometries through inclusion of the internal symmetry groups.

The studies of Felix Hausdorff, in the forties, and Benoît Mandelbrot, at the IBM Thomas J. Watson Research Center, in the seventies, produced a definition of fractality through a negative statement –inequality of topological and capacity dimensions, in a vast family of self-similar entities existing in all types of geometry. Self-similarity, affinity, or its distortion, as in *fat fractals*, are characterized by semigroups – a lesser symmetric structure than what is common to all Geometry.

Therefore, fractals survived as counter-examples, without a proper way to be denominated and classed – a consequence of negativity in their definition, and a pillar to experimental approach. A paradox emerged, mainly in Latin universities:

a) the prohibition of fractal teaching in Math department (a manifestation of austerity), synchronous with its use in natural, computational, social sciences, as well as arts and philosophy.

b) chaos and another morphology trends – catastrophes, otherwise designated as singularities (or, by Vladimir I. Arnold, perestroika) – emerged simultaneously in another private institution. Fractals and Gregory Chaitin computational approach to randomness as a Kurt Godel generalized result, emerged at IBM in New York. René Thom theory, and chaos in Henri Poincaré spirit of limitation to determinism came from Paris at the same moment.

See at (Aubin, 2017) the detailed study of David Aubin, a PhD thesis (Princeton University), UMI #9817022. This is how it is organized:

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Where a philosophic standpoint on Lyapounov exponent has not yet been studied. Chaos appears as measure of exponential divergence - positive Lyapounov lambda. Inverting time, lambda is less than zero – no chaos for the past, total determinism. More interesting becomes the common endeavor of ALL classical deterministic systems, prior to Poincaré and Lyapounov – precision for the future, antagonism of ideas and scenarios. The flagrant contradiction of the origins – of the universe, big bang versus Hoyle continuous creation; for life, as local or panspermia; the seat of the soul, as dual in Popper and Eccles, or self-organized, as Von Foerster, Maturana and Varela eloquently sustained; etc. Origins backwards, chaos in future – a cabal symmetry illustrated By Lyapounov exponents.

c) Mystery of origins as necessary, classification of fractals as doable. Subjects for future writings and lectures. More modest today, the denomination of rare differentiable fractals drawn by computation of small variation of quadratic chaos generators.

d) The pictures of Lyapounov exponents, published by Markus, corresponding to symbolic sequences which control a quadratic – or topologically conjugate – iteration, is, through the alternation of parameters A and B, equivalent to a succession of zeros and ones. For such a symbolic sequence, the natural topology is the one of a Cantor set.

Now, it is also true that the infinite ensemble generated by sequencing zero and one is the transcription of the unit interval in basis 2; to what conditions is such a sequence bound to obey, in order to designate a generic real number, instead of a point in a meagre, zero – measure set such as a Cantor set? Are such conditions compatible with the hypothesis basilar to the works of Markus? If so it was, this would be another instantiation of a new paradigm – constructing fractals as number images.

A procedure developed in divergent ways by a few authors:

- Jenny Harrison (1989), through a construction inspired by Denjoy and leading into continued fractals;
- Michel Mendes-France (1991), when he considered number-theoretic properties of sequences of coefficients for trigonometric sums.
- The early departed authors Mario Sarreira and Jose Sousa Ramos (1991) in their codification of cubic Mandelbrot sets.

## 2. Development

(1)  $0,111111\dots = 1.000\dots$

is the constitutive equation of the binary number system. For a radix  $b > 2$ , it will not happen; therefore, the free semigroup generated by the two symbols 0 and 1 shall define a Cantor set (for a global study see (Komornik, 2017).

The inverse inequality ( $0.1111\dots > 1.00\dots$ ) is accomplished for  $b < 2$ , where a multiplicity of developments, with a magnitude dependent on the location, is present for each point of the unit segment, thus structuring it as a multifractal.

Equation (1) fills the same role as the *just-touching collage* giving rise to connected sets. The apparent tridimensionality of the pictures in (1) is a consequence of the difference between the basins of attraction, the cardinality of which is conjectured to be equal to the periodicity in the control signal (the A B sequence).

**Such a conjecture would validate the following corollaries:**

- a) The existence of a shift symmetry in the control sequence, with the same period as it
- b) The irrelevance of the first  $n$  terms of the control sequence, for whatever  $n$ , in periodic A B sequences
- c) Modulo the postulate of equivalence between images, generated by points with a multiple definition for basins of traction (depending on the initial terms of control sequence), then the shift symmetry of period P reported in a) becomes, by generalization, a unit-shift symmetry.

From these points we are bound to deduce, for every 01 sequence:

- d) Every multiple or sub multiple by a power of 2 is equivalent and
  - e) Every two sequences diverging in a finite number of transient terms are equivalent
- Thus:  $0.001001\dots \equiv 0.010010\dots \equiv 0.1001001\dots$
- f)  $0.111001001\dots = 0.001101001\dots$

This means that for the set of numbers, in the unit interval, expanded in binary system in a periodic way (dyadic rationals), a quotient set is generated through these equivalences.

Are these quotient classes the real numbers, or something alike in a Cantor set?

An answer is suggested by the geometric significance of equation (1): We are dealing with sequences ABBB... and BAAA..., which as the same as (through the exclusion of the first symbol, a transient) every constant sequence (of period

one).

Their identity, after (1), simply means that both display the same structure (the *haircomb* generated by the Cartesian product of the chaotic windows in the parameters of a Feigenbaum bifurcation  $\times$  the unit interval); the interchange between A/B being displayed as different orientation (horizontal versus vertical).

This is only a part of a more general isomorphism, the one of duality.

**It can be expressed in 3 ways:**

- a) Symbolically, by the replacement of all A's by B's and vice-versa (reminiscent of the ambivalence of symbolizing, once quoted by Wittgenstein: It is necessary that P and not- P may designate the same utterance).
- b) Geometrically, by transposition: Reflecting along the diagonal of the unit square.
- c) Arithmetically, as the symmetry between X and 1-X and the unit interval (dualism) replacing the unit interval by its half.

**Illustrating c) by means of an example, we have:**

AAABBABAB, or 000110101

= means  $\equiv$

BBBAABABA, or 111011010

Which sum is 11111111... =1

**Trivial cases: Periods 1, 2, 3**

**Period 1:** AAA... or BBB..., 000...  $\equiv$  111...as above (Feigenbaum  $\cap$  chaotic window X [01])

**Period 2:** of the 4 possibilities (AA, AB, BA e BB). Two reinstate the period 1 are to be excluded: 00 and 11. The two others, 01 and 10, are identical both by shift and by duality.

**Period 3:** 000  $\equiv$  111 are excluded (period 1)

All the other 6 are equivalent:

001  $\rightarrow$  shift  $\rightarrow$  010  $\rightarrow$  100

$\downarrow \downarrow \downarrow$

Duality

110  $\rightarrow$  shift  $\rightarrow$  101  $\rightarrow$  011

Therefore, until now, only one sequence modular above equivalences exists in each period 1, 2, 3. We might name them after their numeric values in binary - 1, 2, 4 corresponding to 1, 10, 100.

From now on everything shall become more complex.

**Periods 4 to 7**

**Period 4:** 16 sequences

- 0000  $\equiv$  1111 are excluded (period 1)

- 1010  $\rightarrow$  shift  $\rightarrow$  0101

$\downarrow$

Duality

$\downarrow$

0101

Are identifiably excluded as they repeat the sequence of period 2.

The excluded sequences correspond to numbers 0,19, 9,10.

As for the other 2 sequences, we shall do arithmetic in decimal, instead of binary.

(duality = 1  $\rightarrow$  2  $\rightarrow$  4  $\rightarrow$  8 (shift = product by 2)

(- 1) - X =  $\downarrow \downarrow \downarrow \downarrow$

= 15 - X 14 13 11 7

As well as

3  $\rightarrow$  6  $\rightarrow$  12

$\downarrow \downarrow \downarrow$

12 9 3

As a convention, we shall designate them as the 8 and 12 sequences, in order to enhance the leading digit 1

8 : 1000

12 : 1100

**Period 5:**

- Exclusion of 00000 and 11111

- No repeating of sub multiple sub sequences as 5 is a prime number

- Generation of their respective sequences

Shift = 2x, Duality = 32-x

1  $\rightarrow$  2  $\rightarrow$  4  $\rightarrow$  8  $\rightarrow$  16

↓↓↓↓↓

30 29 27 23 15

Also, there is

3 → 6 → 12 → 24

↓↓↓↓↓

28 25 19 7

which merges with

14 → 28

↓↓

17 3

In fact, the numbers subsuming them (24,17) represent the same pattern, adjusted from a shift:

24 : 11000

17 : 10001

The same phenomenon occurs between

5 → 10 → 20 9 → 18

↓↓↓ and ↓↓

26 21 11 22 13

20 : 10100 being equivalent by 2 Shift to 18 : 10010

Therefore, we shall select, as tokens for periods sequences:

16 : 10000

17 : 10001

18 : 10010

**Period 6:** 64 sequences; elimination of 0 and 1, as usual

6 being a multiple of 2 and 3, we are bound to eliminate repetitions of segments 10 and 100, live

101010 : 42

100100 : 36

But it proves better to start by their duals.

010101 : 21

011011 : 27

1 → 42 27 → 54 45

↓↓↓↓↑

42 21 36 9 → 18 → 36

54 numbers remain, to be distributed.

1 → 2 → 4 → 8 → 16 → 32

↓↓↓↓↓

62 61 59 55 47 31

3 → 6 → 12 → 24 → 48 33

↓↓↓↓↑

60 57 51 39 15 → 31 → 60

5 → 10 → 20 → 40 17 → 34

↓↓↓↓↑↓

58 53 43 23 → 46 29 → 58

7 → 14 → 28

↓↓↓

56 49 35

11 → 22 → 44 25 → 50 37

↓↓↓↑↑

52 41 19 → 38 13 → 26 → 52

Therefore the sequences will be codified as:

32: 100000

33: 100001

34: 100010 (or 56 = 111000)

35: 100011

36: 100101

**Period 7:** Excluding 0 and 1, and there being no submultiples, we need to explore 126 numbers

1 → 2 → 4 → 8 → 16 → 32 → 64

$\downarrow\downarrow\downarrow\downarrow\downarrow\downarrow$   
 126 125 123 119 111 95 63  $\rightarrow$  126  
 3  $\rightarrow$  6  $\rightarrow$  12  $\rightarrow$  24  $\rightarrow$  48  $\rightarrow$  96 65  
 $\downarrow\downarrow\downarrow\downarrow\downarrow\uparrow$   
 124 121 115 103 79 31  $\rightarrow$  62  $\rightarrow$  124  
 5  $\rightarrow$  10  $\rightarrow$  20  $\rightarrow$  40  $\rightarrow$  80 33  $\rightarrow$  66  
 $\downarrow\downarrow\downarrow\downarrow\uparrow\downarrow$   
 122 117 107 77 47  $\rightarrow$  94 61  $\rightarrow$  122  
 7  $\rightarrow$  14  $\rightarrow$  28  $\rightarrow$  56  $\rightarrow$  112 97 67  
 $\downarrow\downarrow\downarrow\downarrow\uparrow\uparrow$   
 120 113 99 71 15  $\rightarrow$  30  $\rightarrow$  60  
 9  $\rightarrow$  18  $\rightarrow$  36  $\rightarrow$  72 17  $\rightarrow$  34  $\rightarrow$  68  
 $\downarrow\downarrow\downarrow\uparrow\downarrow\downarrow$   
 118 109 91 55  $\rightarrow$  110 93 59  
 11  $\rightarrow$  22  $\rightarrow$  44  $\rightarrow$  88  $\rightarrow$  49  $\rightarrow$  98 69  
 $\downarrow\downarrow\downarrow\uparrow\downarrow\uparrow$   
 116 105 83 39 78 29  $\rightarrow$  58  
 13  $\rightarrow$  26  $\rightarrow$  52  $\rightarrow$  104 81 35  $\rightarrow$  70  
 $\downarrow\downarrow\downarrow\uparrow\uparrow\downarrow$   
 114 101 65 23  $\rightarrow$  46  $\rightarrow$  92 57

15 and 17 are not suitable generators, as previously they were found. We might remark that these sequences always have 14 elements; therefore, we need 2 more ( $7 + 2 = 9$ ,  $9 \times 14 = 126$ ). The last elements in the 1st line grow according to arithmetic progression (647,70). 71 is present in one previous sequence, as is 72. So, 73 and 74 should be good generators.

73 19  $\rightarrow$  38  $\rightarrow$  76 25  $\rightarrow$  50  $\rightarrow$  100  
 $\downarrow\uparrow\downarrow\downarrow\uparrow\downarrow$   
 54  $\rightarrow$  108 89 51  $\rightarrow$  102 77 27  
 74 21  $\rightarrow$  42  $\rightarrow$  84 41  $\rightarrow$  82 37  
 $\downarrow\uparrow\downarrow\downarrow\uparrow\uparrow$   
 53  $\rightarrow$  106 85 43  $\rightarrow$  86 45  $\rightarrow$  90

Until now, we have the followings symbolic sequences:

**Periods**

**1, 2, 3**

**4 5 6 7**

1 (= 1 8 (=1000 16-10000 32 64  
 2 (= 10 9 (= 1001 17-10001 33 65  
 4 (= 100 18-10010 34 66  
 35 67  
 37 68  
 69  
 70  
 73  
 74

**Generalization**

If p is a prime number, this having no sub-multiples, the only excluded sequences are 0 and  $2p - 1$  (0000... and 1111...). Therefore, if every single set of isomorphic numbers (in terms of duality + shift) has the same quantity of terms, as they did until now, their quality must depend on the factorization of  $2p - 2 = 2(2p - 1)$ . Let us try it for the next prime numbers: 11, 13, 17. 11:  $211 = 2048$ ;  $211 - 2 = 2046 = 2 \times 1023 = 6 \times 341 = 6 \times 31 \times 11 = 11 \times 186 = 22 \times 93$

Therefore, there should be 93 ensembles of 22 equivalent numbers.

13:  $213 - 2 = 8190 = 10 \times 819 = 13 \times 10 \times 63 = 26 \times 315$

315 equivalent segments

17:  $(2(17-1)-1)$  being divisible by 17, this quotient should be the member of different sequences. For composite numbers, the problem is more difficult, we should eliminate the instantiation of sub-multiples. For instance, in the period 8 ( $28 = 256$ ) we eliminate:

- 0 and 255
- The translates of period 2 (10101010 and 01010101)
- The duals and translate of 8 and 9

$8 \rightarrow 16 \rightarrow 32 \rightarrow 64 \rightarrow 128 \quad 1 \rightarrow 2 \rightarrow 4$

$\downarrow \downarrow \downarrow \downarrow \downarrow \uparrow \downarrow \downarrow$

247 239 223 191 127  $\rightarrow$  254 253 251

9, along with fifteen others.

Therefore,  $256 - 2 - 2 - 16 - 16 = 220$  will remain, to be distributed through 16 – long ensembles.

### 3. Conclusions

The number of image-generations sequences grows with  $N$  in a was majorated by  $(2(p-1)-1)/p$ , for prime  $p$ ; which means, exponentially in  $N$ . Therefore, it is not a denumerable set. Is it a continuation, or a Cantor set, or something in between (a *fat* Cantor set)?

As a tentative answer, let us be inspired by the following:

- A number such as 0.897897897... in decimal radix expansion is  $= 897.0.001001001... = 897/999$

Therefore, in fractal number system, the corresponding numbers are to be

$1 / 1, 2 / 3, 4 / 7, 8 / 19, 9 / 15 = 3 / 5$

$16 / 31, 17 / 31, 18 / 31, 32 / 63, 33 / 63 = 11 / 21$

$34 / 63, 35 / 63, 37 / 63, 64 / 127, 65 / 127, 66 / 127, 67 / 127, 68 / 127, 69 / 127, 70 / 127, 73 / 127, 74 / 127$

How for did such a sequence fill the  $[0, 1]$  interval? Is it fat or meagre? What about its

Hausdorff dimension? Sequences, essentially because shift symmetric fails (it was a consequence of periodicity); therefore applet tridimensionality (multimodality) is lost.

However, duality, as well as irrelevance of transients, are maintained.

We might understand for the above that, restrictions of the a periodic, being less severe, on stating hypothesis – Markus pictures as images for numbers – which was not refuted in the realm of dyadic rationals, keeps maintaining the pertinence of a brand-new conjecture.

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