# Overlapping random self-similar sets on the line 

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## Construction of the (homogeneous) Mandelbrot percolation fractal $\Lambda_{d}(M, p)$ in $\mathbb{R}^{d}$

- $M \in \mathbb{N} \backslash\{0,1\}$ : division parameter
- $p \in(0,1)$ : probability



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In particular, if $M=3$

- $p>\frac{1}{9} \Lambda_{3, p} \neq \emptyset$ with positive probability;
- $p>\frac{1}{3}$ if we exclude a set of realizations of extinction and further a realizations of 0 measure, for the remaining set of realizations the projection to every line contains an interval.


## Homogeneous and inhomogeneous Mandelbrot percolation

We call the Mandelbrot percolation introduced above homogeneous Mandelbrot percolation, where in level- $n$ of the construction we divided each of the level- $n$ retained cubes into $M^{d}$ congruent subcubes and for each of these we tossed a coin to decide wether we retain it or not. As opposed to this in the case of the inhomogeneous Mandelbrot percolation, there are some preselected cubes that we always discard.

## Right angled Sierpiński gasket






## Sierpiński carpet



## Menger sponge



## Inhomogeneous Mandelbrot percolation

$\operatorname{dim}_{H}\left(\widetilde{\Lambda}_{p}\right)=\frac{\log (\mathbb{E}(\# \text { retained level } 1 \text { cubes }))}{-\log (\text { contraction ratio })}$ a.s. conditioned on non-extinction.
■ Menger sponge: $\operatorname{dim}_{\mathrm{H}}\left(\mathcal{M}_{p}\right)=\frac{\log 20 \cdot p}{\log 3}$.

- Sierpiński carpet: $\operatorname{dim}_{\mathrm{H}}\left(\mathcal{S}_{p}\right)=\frac{\log 8 \cdot p}{\log 3}$.

1 Dekking-Grimmet (1988), Dekking-Meester (1989), Falconer (1989),Falconer-Grimmett (1992), Barral-Feng (2018): projections to the coordinate axes in the inhomogeneous case.
2 Simon and Vágó: rational projections of the random Sierpiński carpet.

## Orthogonal projection of the random Menger sponge

$\mathcal{M}_{p}$ : random Menger sponge with parameter $p$; proj: projection to the space diagonal of the unit cube; $\operatorname{proj}_{\underline{\alpha}}$ : projection of the form $\underline{x} \rightarrow \underline{\alpha} \underline{x}$.


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& \forall \underline{\alpha} \operatorname{Int}\left(\operatorname{proj}_{\underline{\alpha}}\left(\mathcal{M}_{p}\right)\right) \neq \emptyset \\
& \operatorname{dim}_{H}\left(\operatorname{proj}\left(\mathcal{M}_{p}\right)\right)<1 \text { a.s. } \mathcal{L} \operatorname{Leb}_{1}\left(\operatorname{proj}\left(\mathcal{M}_{p}\right)\right)>0 \text { a.s.* a.s.* } \\
& 0.15 \quad B_{1} \stackrel{?}{=} \quad B_{2} \quad 0.166 \ldots \quad 0.25 \\
& p \\
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*=conditioned on non-extinction
$0.15<B_{2}<0.1514 \ldots$
$0.15=\frac{3}{20}$,
$0.166 \cdots=\frac{1}{6}$,
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A_{1} \cdot A_{1} & =\left(\begin{array}{ll}
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\mathcal{S}= & \left\{S_{i}(x)=\frac{1}{L} x+t_{i}\right\}_{i=0}^{M-1}, \\
\square & L \in \mathbb{N} \backslash\{0,1\}, \\
& t_{i} \in \mathbb{Q} .
\end{aligned}
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## Lyapunov exponent and Lower spectral radius

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\text { For } \begin{aligned}
& \mathcal{A}=\left\{A_{0}, \ldots, A_{L-1}\right\} \\
& \Sigma:=\{0, \ldots, L-1\}^{\mathbb{N}} \\
& \boxed{ } \quad \\
& =\left(\frac{1}{L}, \ldots, \frac{1}{L}\right)^{\mathbb{N}} . \\
& \|\cdot\| \text { denote a submultiplicative matrix norm. }
\end{aligned}
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## Definition (The Lyapunov exponent of $\mathcal{A}$ )

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\lambda(\mathcal{A}):=\lim _{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{n} \log \left\|A_{i_{1}} \cdots A_{i_{n}}\right\| \text { for } \mu \text { a.e. }\left(i_{1}, \ldots, i_{n}, \ldots\right)
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\underline{\rho}(\mathcal{A}):=\lim _{n \rightarrow \infty} \min \left\{\left\|A_{i_{1}} \cdots A_{i_{n}}\right\|^{1 / n}, A_{i_{j}} \in \mathcal{A}\right\}
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## Positivity of Lebesgue measure

$\square \mathcal{S}:=\left\{S_{i}(x)=\frac{1}{L} x+t_{i}\right\}_{i=0}^{M}, t_{i} \in \mathbb{Q}, L \in \mathbb{N}-\{0,1\}$.
■ $\mathcal{A}_{\mathcal{S}}=\left\{A_{0}, \ldots, A_{L-1}\right\}$, such that $\mathcal{A}_{\mathcal{S}}$ consists of allowable matrices and $\exists i_{1}, \ldots, i_{n} \in[L]^{n}$ such that $A_{i_{1}} \ldots A_{i_{n}}$ has only positive elements.

- Random attractor: $\Lambda_{\mathcal{S}, p}$.


## Theorem (Károly Simon, V.O.)

- for $p>e^{-\lambda\left(\mathcal{A}_{\mathcal{S}}\right)}, \mathcal{L e} e b\left(\Lambda_{\mathcal{S}, p}\right)>0$ for almost every realization conditioned on non-extinction,
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Checkable condition: Let $C S(i, j)=\sum_{k} A_{i}(k, j)$. If $p>\max _{j}\left(\prod_{i} C S(i, j)\right)^{-\frac{1}{L}}$, then $\mathcal{L} e b\left(\Lambda_{\mathcal{S}, p}\right)>0$ a.s. conditioned on non-extinction.
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## Existence of interior points

■ $\mathcal{S}:=\left\{S_{i}(x)=\frac{1}{L} x+t_{i}\right\}_{i=0}^{M}, t_{i} \in \mathbb{Q}, L \in \mathbb{N}-\{0,1\}$.

- $\mathcal{A}_{\mathcal{S}}=\left\{A_{0}, \ldots, A_{L-1}\right\}$, such that $\exists i_{1}, \ldots, i_{n} \in[L]^{n}$ such that $A_{i_{1}} \ldots A_{i_{n}}$ has a row with only positive elements,
- $C S(i, j)=\sum_{k} A_{i}(k, j)$.
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## Theorem (Károly Simon, V.O.)

■ for $p>\left(\min _{i, j} C S(i, j)\right)^{-1}$, then $\wedge_{\mathcal{S}, p}$ contains an interval for almost every realization conditioned on non-extinction,

- for $p<\underline{\rho}(\mathcal{A})^{-1}$, then $\wedge_{\mathcal{S}, p}$ does not contain an interval almost surely.
$\underline{\rho}(\mathcal{A}):=\lim _{n \rightarrow \infty} \min \left\{\left\|A_{i_{1}} \cdots A_{i_{n}}\right\|^{1 / n}, A_{i_{j}} \in \mathcal{A}\right\}$


## Thank you for your attention!

