Inner Minkowski Dimension of Products of Fractal Strings

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Introduce the Cantor string so that the audience can see an example right away. A movie would be nice!



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$$D_{\mathcal{L}} = \inf\{\alpha \in \mathbb{R} \mid \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} \ell_{i}^{\alpha} < \infty\} \implies 0 < D_{\mathcal{L}} < 1$$



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The Cartesian product of two fractal strings is a bounded open subset of \mathbb{R}^2 since a fractal string is a bounded open subset of \mathbb{R} .

$$\Omega_1 = \bigcup_{j=1}^{\infty} \ell_j, \, \Omega_2 = \bigcup_{i=1}^{\infty} I_i$$

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$$\sum_{i=1}^{N_{\Omega_i}(x)} \ell_j = \mathcal{L}_i - \mathcal{W}_i(x)$$





Partially covered volume

Fully covered volume

$$\qquad V_{\textit{full}}(\epsilon) = \mathcal{L}_1 \mathcal{W}_2(\frac{1}{2\epsilon}) + \mathcal{L}_2 \mathcal{W}_1(\frac{1}{2\epsilon})$$

Double counted volume

$$V_{double}(\epsilon) = W_1(\frac{1}{2\epsilon})W_2(\frac{1}{2\epsilon})$$



$$V(\epsilon) = V_{ extit{partial}}(\epsilon) + V_{ extit{full}}(\epsilon) - V_{ extit{double}}(\epsilon)$$

$$\begin{split} V(\epsilon) &= 2\epsilon \cdot \textit{N}_{\Omega_{1}}(\frac{1}{2\epsilon}) \cdot \left(\sum_{j=1}^{\textit{N}_{\Omega_{2}}(\frac{1}{2\epsilon})} \textit{p}_{j}\right) + 2\epsilon \cdot \textit{N}_{\Omega_{2}}(\frac{1}{2\epsilon}) \cdot \left(\sum_{j=1}^{\textit{N}_{\Omega_{1}}(\frac{1}{2\epsilon})} (\ell_{j} - 2\epsilon)\right) + \\ & \mathcal{L}_{1}\mathcal{W}_{2}(\frac{1}{2\epsilon}) + \mathcal{L}_{2}\mathcal{W}_{1}(\frac{1}{2\epsilon}) - \mathcal{W}_{1}(\frac{1}{2\epsilon})\mathcal{W}_{2}(\frac{1}{2\epsilon}) \end{split}$$

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$$\begin{split} V(\epsilon) &= \mathcal{L}_1 \cdot (2\epsilon \cdot \textit{N}_{\Omega_2} + \mathcal{W}_2) + \mathcal{L}_2 \cdot (2\epsilon \cdot \textit{N}_{\Omega_1} + \mathcal{W}_1) - \\ & (2\epsilon \cdot \textit{N}_{\Omega_1} + \mathcal{W}_1) \cdot (2\epsilon \cdot \textit{N}_{\Omega_2} + \mathcal{W}_2) \end{split}$$

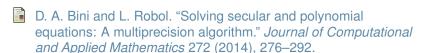
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Cantor Lawn Volume GIF



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