On arithmetic index in the Thue-Morse word

Olga Parshina

Sobolev Institute of mathematics SB RAS Institut Camille Jordan UCBL1

parolja@gmail.com

November 29, 2016

- Let $\Sigma_t = \{0, 1, ..., t-1\}$ be a finite alphabet A sequence $w = w_0 w_1 w_2 w_3 \cdots$, $w_i \in \Sigma_t$ is an infinite word over Σ_t
- A sequence u is *periodic* with the length of a period T, if for every i the following holds: $u_i = u_{i+T}$
- An arithmetic subsequence of length k with the starting symbol w_c and difference d in w is a word $w_d^c = w_c w_{c+d} w_{c+2d} \cdots w_{c+(k-1)d}$
- If $w_{c+id} = a$ for i = 0, 1, ..., k-1 and $a \in \Sigma_t$, then w_d^c is called an *arithmetic progression*.



2 / 16

- An arithmetic closure of an infinite word w over Σ_t is a set $A_w = \{w_d^c | c \ge 0, d > 0\}$
- An arithmetic complexity of w is a function $a_w(n) = |A_w \cap \Sigma_t^n|$
- A word w is arithmetic universal, if $a_w(n) = t^n$

Theorem [Van der Waerden, 1927]

An arithmetic closure of every infinite word over a finite alphabet contains an arbitrary long arithmetic progression.



Object of the research

Let
$$\Sigma=\{0,1\}$$
, $x\in\mathbb{N}$

- $B(x) = x_{n-1}...x_1x_0$, where $x_i \in \Sigma, x = \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} x_i \cdot 2^i$ is a binary expansion of x
- $p(x) = \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} x_i \mod 2$

The *Thue-Morse word* is a sequence $w_{TM} = w_0 w_1 w_2 w_3 \cdots$, where $w_i = p(i)$.

 $w_{TM} = 01101001100101101001011001101001 \cdots$



Words with T=1

Let $\Sigma = \{0, 1\}$, $w_{TM} = w_0 w_1 w_2 w_3 \cdots$ is the Thue-Morse word.

- Define L(c,d) as the length of an arithmetic progression in w_{TM} with the starting symbol w_c and the difference d for $n, d \in \mathbb{N}$
- $L(d) = \max_{c} L(c, d)$

Theorem [P., 2015]

For every $n \in \mathbb{N}$, n > 1 the following holds:

$$\max_{d<2^n} L(d) = \begin{cases} 2^n + 4, & n \text{ is even,} \\ 2^n, & n \text{ is odd.} \end{cases}$$

Moreover, the maximum is reached with the difference $d = 2^n - 1$ in both cases.



Words with T > 1

Consider a word $u = (01)^k, k \in \mathbb{N}$ $u \in A_{TM}$

[Avgustinovich, Frid, Fon-der-Flaas, 2000]

A word w_{TM} is arithmetic universal.

Words with T > 1

Consider a word $u = (01)^k, k \in \mathbb{N}$ $u \in A_{TM}$

[Avgustinovich, Frid, Fon-der-Flaas, 2000]

A word w_{TM} is arithmetic universal.

Questions:

- What is an upper bound on the value of the difference while searching arithmetic subwords in the Thue-Morse word?
- Which words occur in the Thue-Morse word with the maximal difference?



Object of the research

- Let w be an infinite word over Σ_t .
- Let $d \in \mathbb{N}$, then define $A_w(d)$ as a set of arithmetic subsequences with the difference d in w.
- $\bullet \ A_w = \bigcup_{d=1}^{\infty} A_w(d)$
- A finite word u has an arithmetic index $I_w(u)$, if $I_w(u)$ is the length of a binary expansion of $i(u) = \min\{d | u \in A_w(d)\}$
- If u does not belong to A_w , then $I_w(u) = \infty$
- The object of a research is a function $\max_{u:|u|=n} I_w(u)$



Words with T=1

- Define L(c,d) to be the length of an arithmetic progression in w_{TM} with the starting symbol w_c and the difference d for $c,d \in \mathbb{N}$
- $L(d) = \max_{c} L(c, d)$

Theorem [P., 2015]

For every $n \in \mathbb{N}$, n > 1 the following holds:

$$\max_{d<2^n} L(d) = \begin{cases} 2^n + 4, & n \text{ is even,} \\ 2^n, & n \text{ is odd.} \end{cases}$$

Moreover, the maximum is reached with the difference $d = 2^n - 1$ in both cases.

Corollary

Let u be of the form 0^N or 1^N for some $N \in \mathbb{N}$.

Then $I_{TM}(u) = n = \lceil \log N \rceil$.

Upper bound

Let u be a binary word of length N, $2^{n-1} \le N < 2^n$.

• Define a "basis": $b_1, b_2, ..., b_N$,

$$\begin{aligned} b_1 &= 1\alpha_1\alpha_2\cdots\alpha_{N-1}\\ b_2 &= 01\alpha_1\alpha_2\cdots\alpha_{N-2}\\ &\cdots\\ b_i &= 0^{i-1}1\alpha_1\alpha_2\cdots\alpha_{N-i}\\ &\cdots\\ b_N &= 0^{N-1}1, \text{ where } \alpha_i \in \{0,1\} \end{aligned}$$

- Every b_i can be obtained with the difference $d = 2^n 1$
- A word *u* can be represented in the following way:

$$u = \sum_{i=1}^{n} \beta_i \cdot b_i, \ \beta_i \in \{0, 1\}$$



Upper bound

- Basis: $b_1, b_2, ..., b_N$, $b_i = 0^{i-1} 1 \alpha_1 \alpha_2 \cdots \alpha_{n-i}, \ \alpha_i \in \{0, 1\}$
- $u = b_1 + b_2 + ... + b_N$
- Set C_i to be an index of the first symbol of b_i arithmetic occurrence in the Thue-Morse word, c_i to be a binary expansion of C_i , the length of each c_i is equal to $3n = 3 \cdot \lceil log N \rceil$
- Build a binary number $c = c_1 c_2 \cdots c_N$ of length $3n \cdot N$
- Then take a difference of the form

$$D = \underbrace{0 \cdots 0}_{2n} \underbrace{1 \cdots 1}_{n} \underbrace{0 \cdots 0}_{2n} \underbrace{1 \cdots 1}_{n} \cdots \underbrace{0 \cdots 0}_{2n} \underbrace{1 \cdots 1}_{n}$$

• $\max_{u:|u|=N} I_w(u) \leq 3Nn = 3N \cdot \lceil log N \rceil$



Set
$$u = 1110$$
, $N = 4 = 2^2$, $n = 2$

Define a basis:

•
$$d = 2^2 - 1 = 3$$

$w_{\mathsf{TM}} = 01101001100101101001011001101001\cdots$

$$b_1 = 1000$$
, $C_1 = 21$, $c_1 = 010101$
 $b_2 = 0100$, $C_2 = 18$, $c_2 = 010010$
 $b_3 = 0010$, $C_3 = 15$, $c_3 = 001111$
 $b_4 = 0001$, $C_4 = 12$, $c_4 = 001100$

•
$$u = b_1 + b_2 + b_3$$



Set
$$u = 1110$$
, $N = 4 = 2^2$, $n = 2$

Define a basis:

•
$$d = 2^2 - 1 = 3$$

$w_{\mathsf{TM}} = \textcolor{red}{0}1101001100101101001011001101001\cdots$

$$b_1 = 1000$$
, $C_1 = 21$, $c_1 = 010101$
 $b_2 = 0100$, $C_2 = 18$, $c_2 = 010010$
 $b_3 = 0010$, $C_3 = 15$, $c_3 = 001111$
 $b_4 = 0001$, $C_4 = 12$, $c_4 = 001100$

•
$$u = b_1 + b_2 + b_3$$



Set
$$u = 1110$$
, $N = 4 = 2^2$, $n = 2$

Define a basis:

•
$$d = 2^2 - 1 = 3$$

$w_{\mathsf{TM}} = 01101001100101101001011001101001\cdots$

$$b_1 = 1000, C_1 = 21, c_1 = 010101$$

 $b_2 = 0100, C_2 = 18, c_2 = 010010$
 $b_3 = 0010, C_3 = 15, c_3 = 001111$
 $b_4 = 0001, C_4 = 12, c_4 = 001100$

•
$$u = b_1 + b_2 + b_3$$



Set
$$u = 1110$$
, $N = 4 = 2^2$, $n = 2$

Define a basis:

•
$$d = 2^2 - 1 = 3$$

$w_{TM} = 01101001100101101001011001101001\cdots$

$$b_1 = 1000, C_1 = 21, c_1 = 010101$$

 $b_2 = 0100, C_2 = 18, c_2 = 010010$
 $b_3 = 0010, C_3 = 15, c_3 = 001111$
 $b_4 = 0001, C_4 = 12, c_4 = 001100$

•
$$u = b_1 + b_2 + b_3$$



Set
$$u = 1110$$
, $N = 4 = 2^2$, $n = 2$

Define a basis:

•
$$d = 2^2 - 1 = 3$$

 $w_{\mathsf{TM}} = 01101001100101101001011001101001\cdots$

$$b_1 = 1000$$
, $C_1 = 21$, $c_1 = 010101$
 $b_2 = 0100$, $C_2 = 18$, $c_2 = 010010$
 $b_3 = 0010$, $C_3 = 15$, $c_3 = 001111$
 $b_4 = 0001$, $C_4 = 12$, $c_4 = 001100$

•
$$u = b_1 + b_2 + b_3$$



Set
$$u = 1110$$
, $N = 4 = 2^2$, $n = 2$

Define a basis:

•
$$d = 2^2 - 1 = 3$$

$w_{\mathsf{TM}} = 01101001100101101001011001101001\cdots$

$$b_1 = 1000, C_1 = 21, c_1 = 010101$$

 $b_2 = 0100, C_2 = 18, c_2 = 010010$
 $b_3 = 0010, C_3 = 15, c_3 = 001111$
 $b_4 = 0001, C_4 = 12, c_4 = 001100$

•
$$u = b_1 + b_2 + b_3$$



Basis:

$$b_1 = 1000$$
, $C_1 = 21$, $c_1 = 010101$
 $b_2 = 0100$, $C_2 = 18$, $c_2 = 010010$
 $b_3 = 0010$, $C_3 = 15$, $c_3 = 001111$
 $b_4 = 0001$, $C_4 = 12$, $c_4 = 001100$

- $u = b_1 + b_2 + b_3$
- The initial number: $c = c_1 c_2 c_3 = 010101'010010'001111$
- The difference D:
 D = 000011'000011'000011
- We can obtain u as an arithmetic subword starting with w_C with the difference D:



c+iD	wt	u
010101′010010′001111	9	1
\oplus 000011'000011'000011		
011000′010101′010010	7	1
\oplus 000011'000011'000011		
011011′011000′010101	9	1
\oplus 000011'000011'000011		
011110′011011′011000	13	0

Lower bound

A factor complexity $p_w(N)$ of an infinite word w is the number of its factors of length N.

Theorem [Avgustinovich, 1994]

A factor complexity of the Thue-Morse word is

$$p_{WTM}(N+1) = 3N + \rho(N),$$

where $\rho(N) = min\{N-2^k\}$

where $\rho(N) = min\{N - 2^k, 2^k + 1 - N\}$ and $n/2 < 2^k \le N$.

•
$$|A_{TM}(1) \cap \Sigma^{N}| = p_{w_{TM}}(N) < 4N$$



Lower bound

- Consider $A(d, N) := |A_{TM}(d) \cap \Sigma^{N}|$
- $A(1, N) \leq p_{w_{TM}}(N) < 4N$
- $A(3,N) \leq p_{w_{TM}}(3N) < 12N$
- $A(d, N) \leq p_{w_{TM}}(d \cdot N) < 4d \cdot N$

The aim is to obtain a lower bound for x s.t. $2^N \leq \sum_{d=1}^{x} A(d, N)$.

$$x \ge 0.5(N-2-\log N)$$



Resume

A word u has an arithmetic index $I_{TM}(u)$ in the Thue-Morse word, if $I_{TM}(u)$ is the length of binary expansion of $i_{TM}(u) = \min\{d | u \in A_{TM}(d)\}$

$$0.5(\mathit{N}-2-\log \mathit{N}) < \max_{u:|u|=\mathit{N}} \mathit{I}_w(u) \leq 3\mathit{N}\lceil\log \mathit{N}\rceil$$

Thank you for your attention!

