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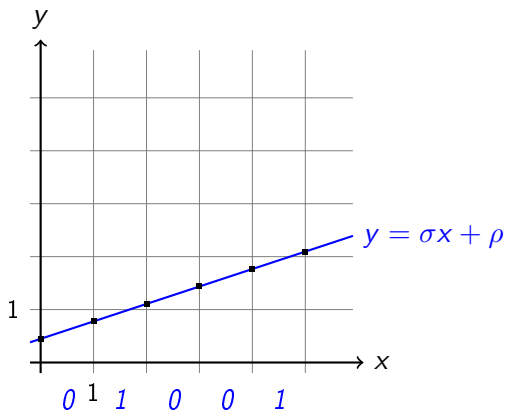
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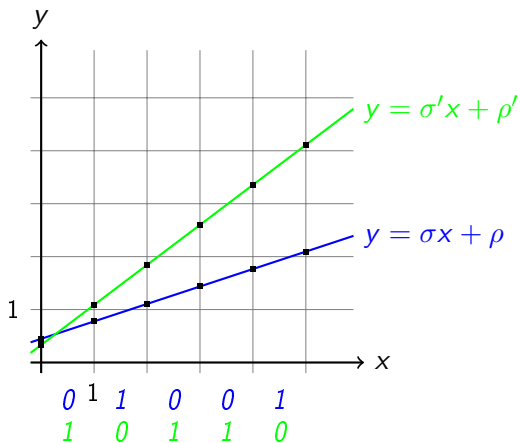
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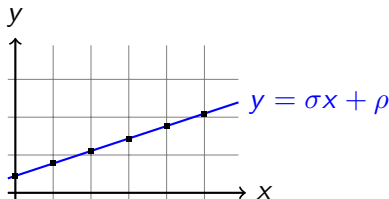
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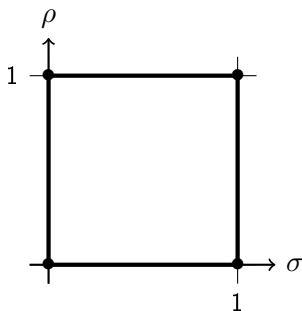
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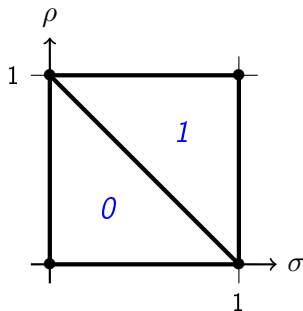
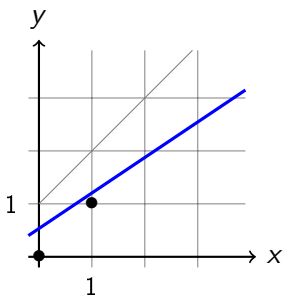
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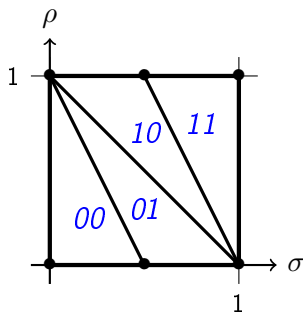
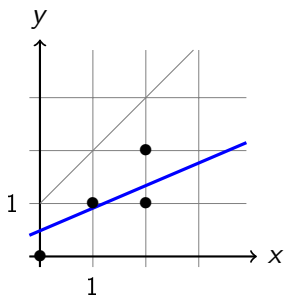
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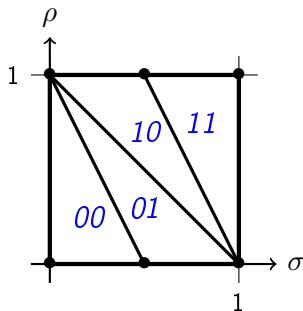
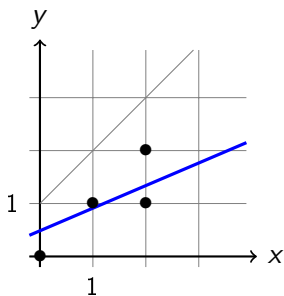
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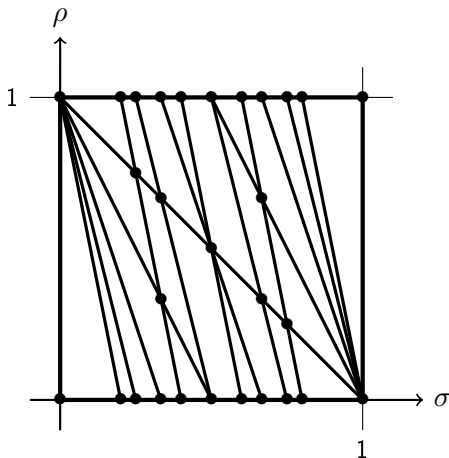
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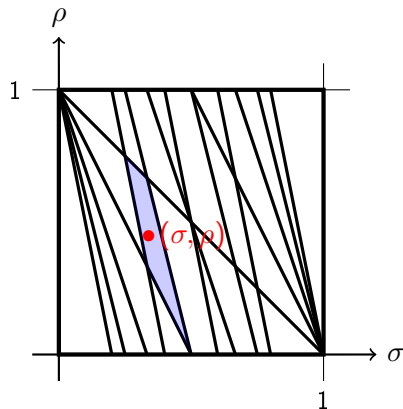
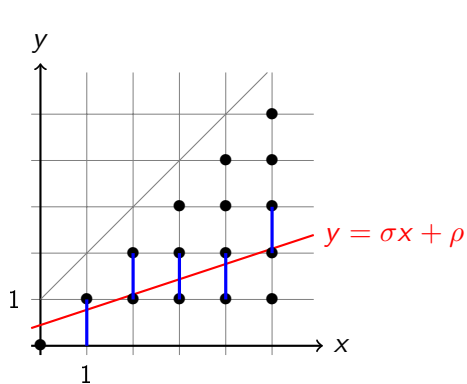
Arrangement of a high order

Lines in the square: $k\sigma + \rho = l$, where $0 < l \leq k \leq n$.

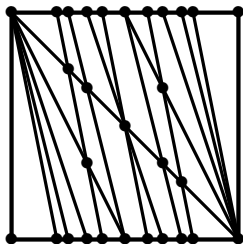


Duality

lines \longleftrightarrow points, points \longleftrightarrow lines
faces \longleftrightarrow Sturmian words

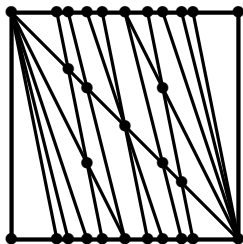


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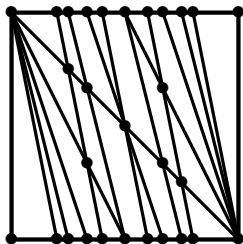
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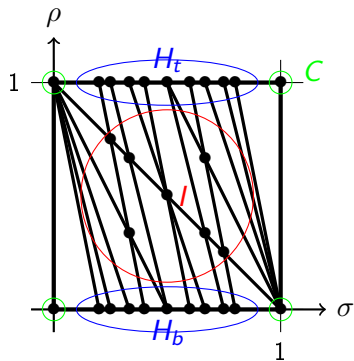


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$$p_s(n) = f = 1 + e - v = 1 + \sum_{t \in V} \left(\frac{\deg(t)}{2} - 1 \right).$$

Four groups of vertices



$$\begin{aligned}
 p_s(n) &= 1 + \sum_{t \in C} \left(\frac{\deg(t)}{2} - 1 \right) + \sum_{t \in H_t \cup H_b} \left(\frac{\deg(t)}{2} - 1 \right) + \sum_{t \in I} \left(\frac{\deg(t)}{2} - 1 \right) \\
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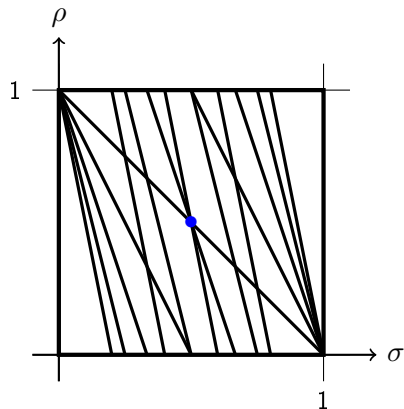
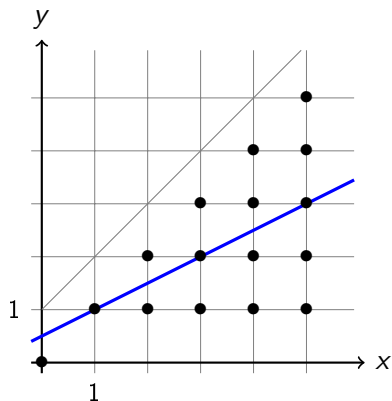
All intersection points are of the form

$$\left(\frac{L}{K}, \frac{M}{K} \right),$$

where $1 < K \leq n$, $1 \leq L < K$, $0 \leq M < K$.

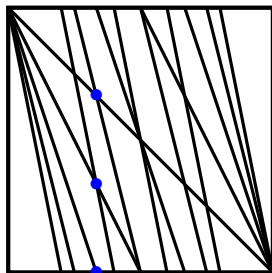
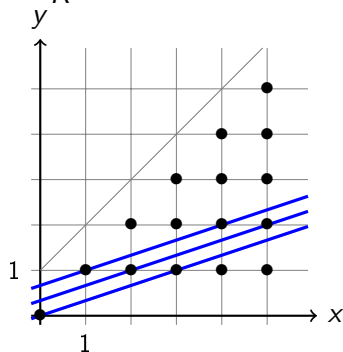
How many lines at one point?

As many as integer points on the dual line.



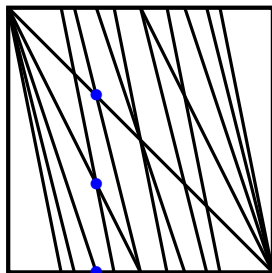
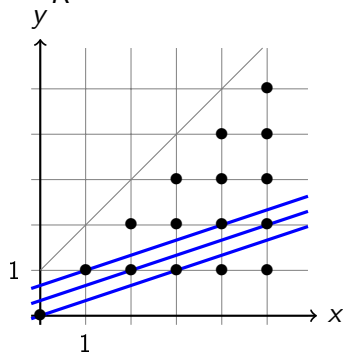
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So, we can sum over abscissas L/K , where $2 \leq K \leq n$, $0 \leq L < K$; that is, over the Farey series.

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where $\varphi(K)$ is the Euler's totient function =
(positive integers $\leq K$ relatively prime to K)

Asymptotics

$$p_s(n) = 1 + \sum_{K=1}^n \varphi(K)(n+1-K) = \frac{n^3}{\pi^2} + O(n^2 \log n).$$

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