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TOEPLITZ WORDS¹

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Let Σ be a finite non-empty set of symbols (letters), which is called an alphabet. Let Σ^* (respectively, Σ^{ω}) denote the set of all finite (respectively, infinite) words over alphabet Σ . For a deeper coverage of the topic see, e.g., [1; 2]. Let ? be a special letter or hole not in Σ . For a word $x \in (\Sigma \cup \{?\})^{\omega}$ let $T^0(x) = x$, and $\forall i \geq 0$ $T^{i+1}(x)$ is obtained from $T^i(x)$ by replacing sequentially all occurrences of the letter ? by letters of a word $x \in (\Sigma \cup \{?\})^{\omega}$. The limit of the sequence

$$T^{\omega}(x) = \lim_{i \to \infty} T^{i}(x) \tag{1}$$

is called *Toeplitz word*, cf. [3]. We consider cases when Toeplitz words are generated from non-periodic infinite words. Special significance is paid to Toeplitz transformation on Thue-Morse word: The *Thue-Morse* word over alphabet $\Sigma = \{0, 1\}$ is defined as the limit

$$\tau^{\omega} = \lim_{n \to \infty} \tau_0^n, \tag{2}$$

where the sequences of words $(\tau_0^n)_{n\geq 0}$, $(\tau_1^n)_{n\geq 0}$ are defined as follows, cf. [2]:

$$\tau_0^0 = 0, \tau_1^0 = 1,$$

$$\forall n \ge 0 (\tau_0^{n+1} = \tau_0^n \tau_1^n \wedge \tau_1^{n+1} = \tau_1^n \tau_0^n).$$
(3)

We prove that after finite number of iterations Thue-Morse word over alphabet $\{0,?\}$ is transferred into Thue-Morse word over another alphabet. After infinitely many iterations it is transferred into periodic word 0^{ω} . Further we consider Toeplitz transformation on bounded and finitely generated bi-ideals, cf. [4].

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