

Dynamically defined fractals

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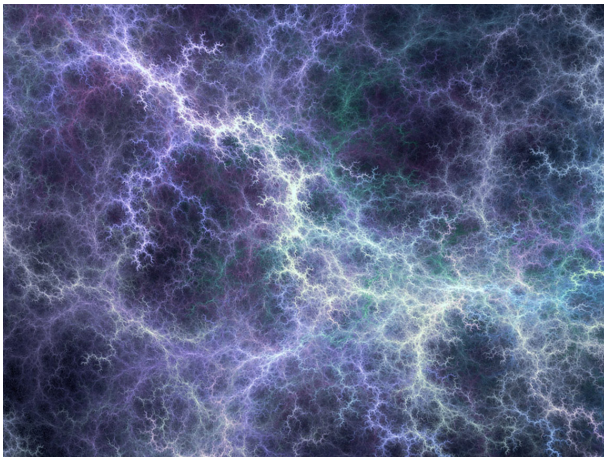
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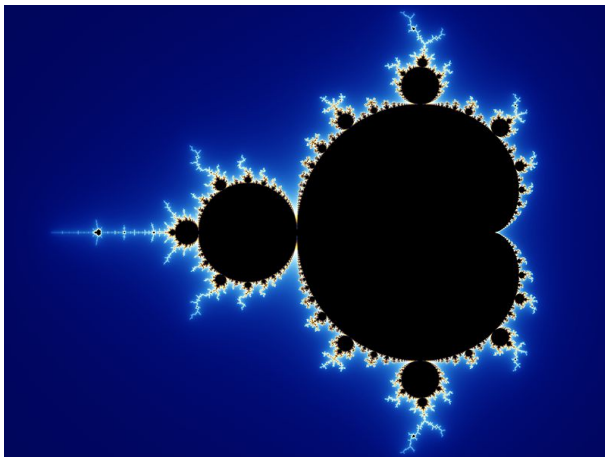
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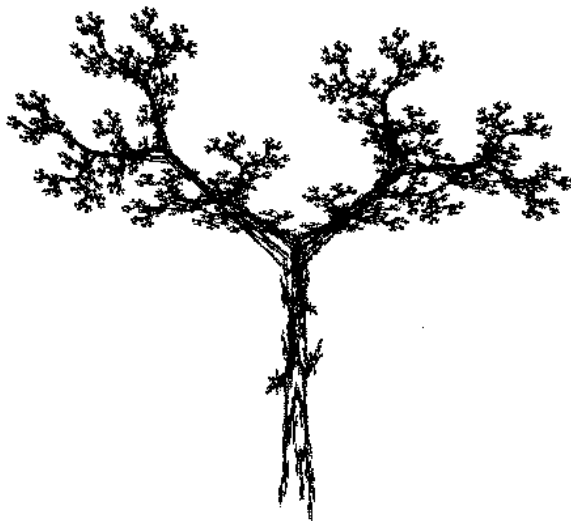
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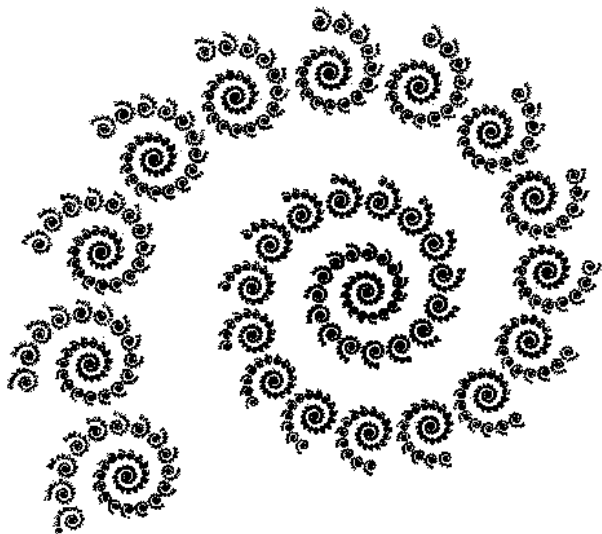


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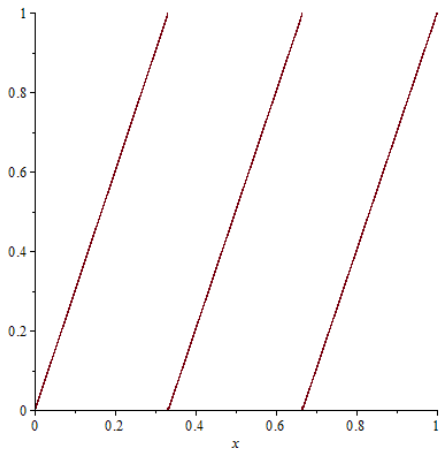
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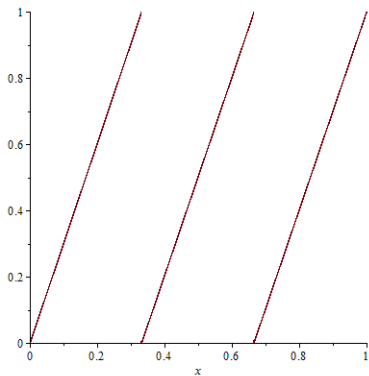
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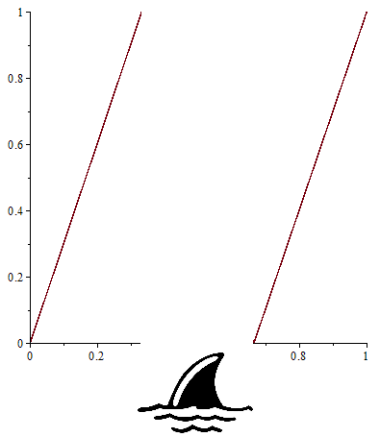
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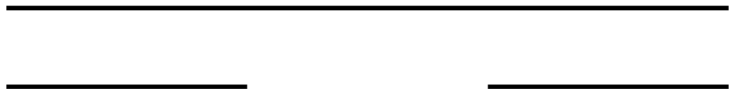
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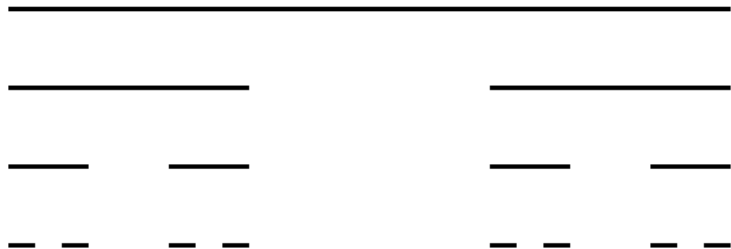
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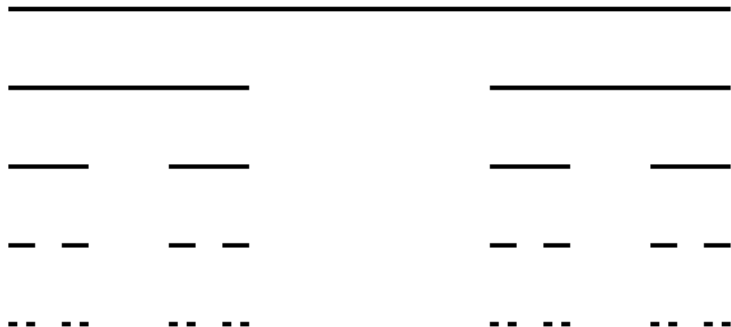
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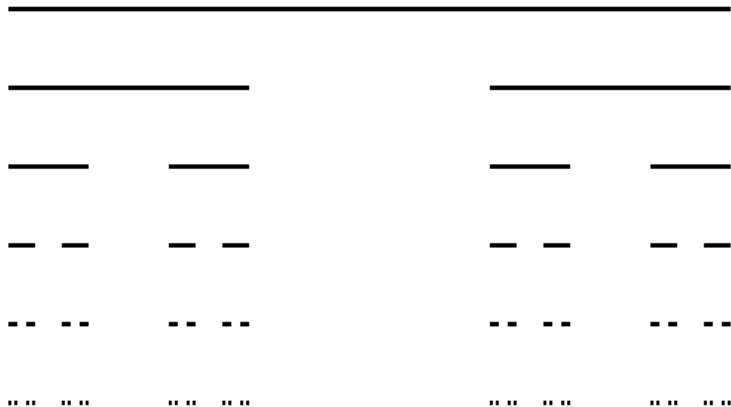
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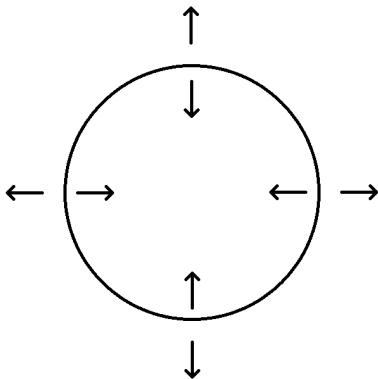
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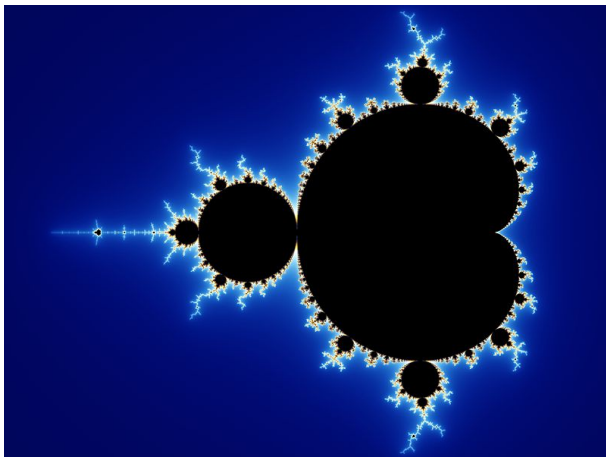
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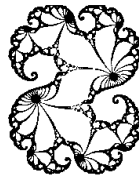
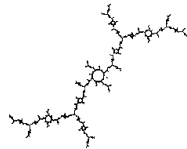
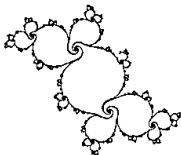
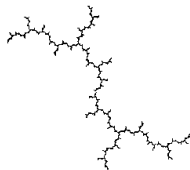
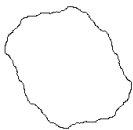
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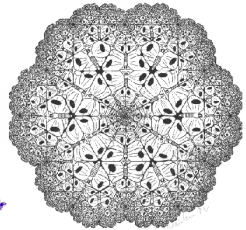
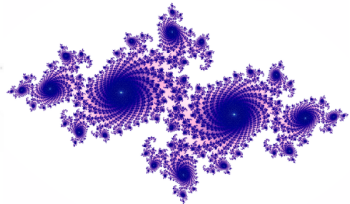
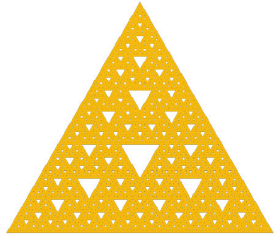
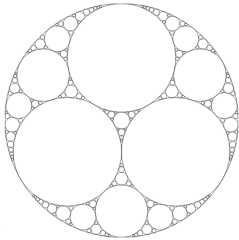
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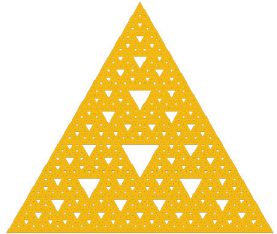
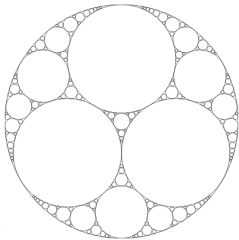
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Iterated function systems are collections of contracting maps on a metric space. They uniquely define non-empty compact fractal attractors which can be modelled by shift spaces similar to the Cantor set.





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