

# Study of an example of multifractal and "sparse" signal

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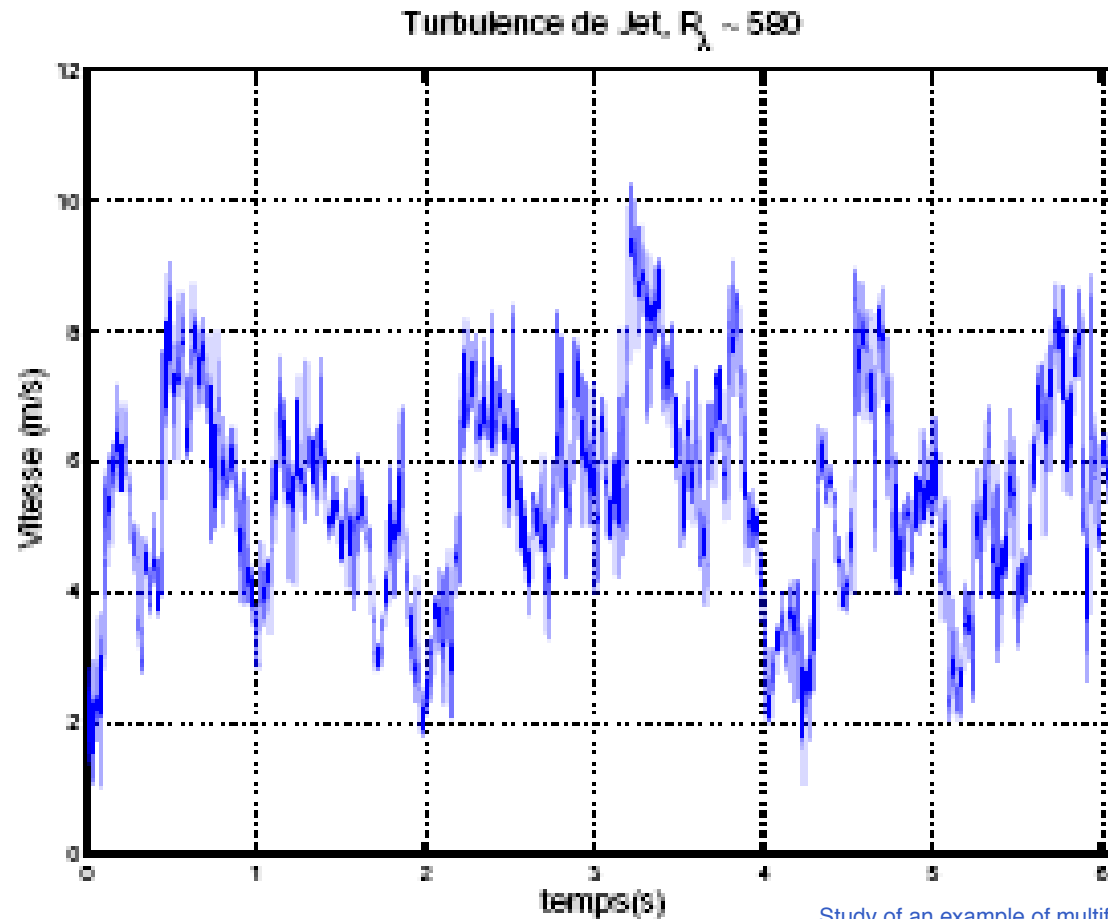
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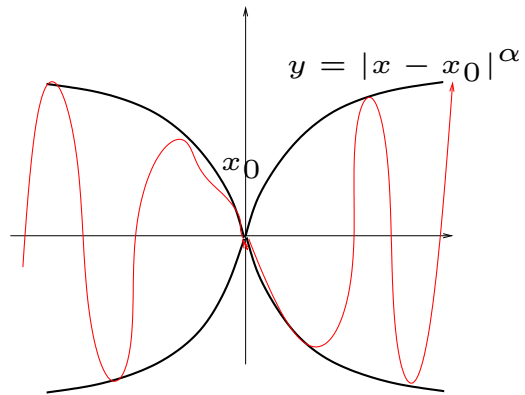
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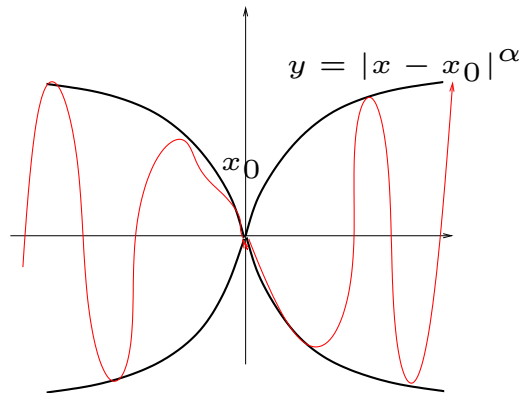
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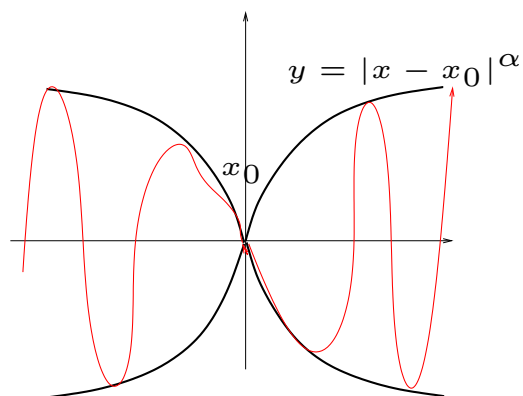


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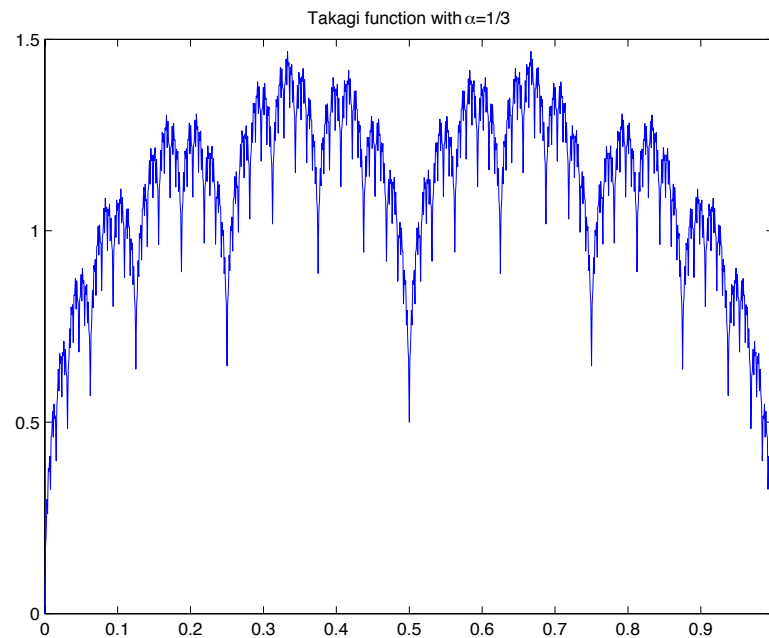
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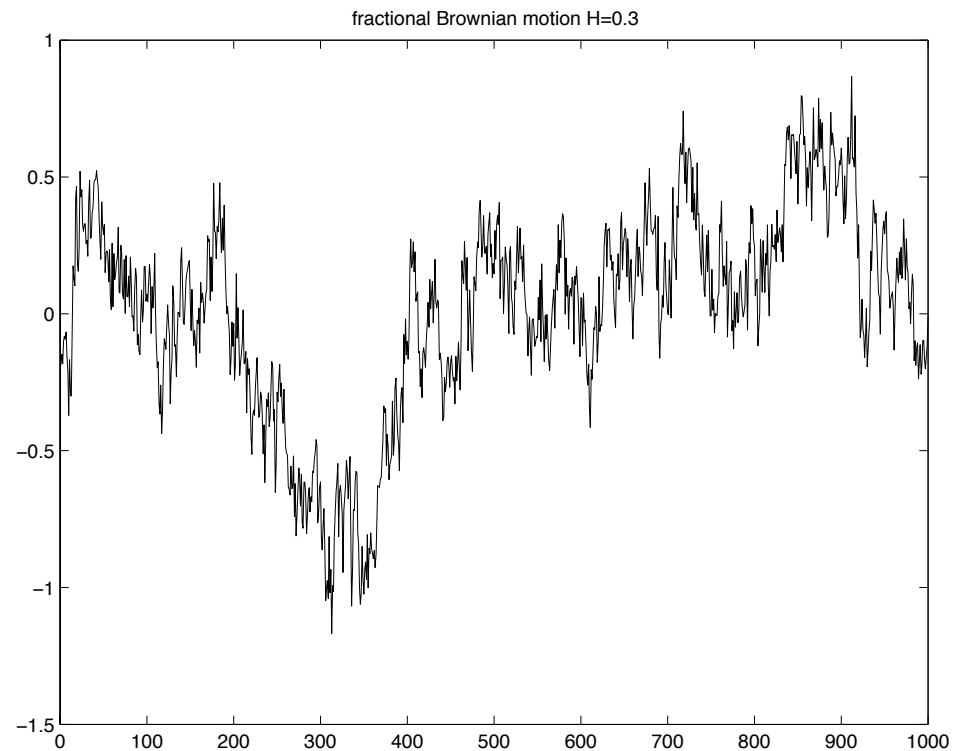
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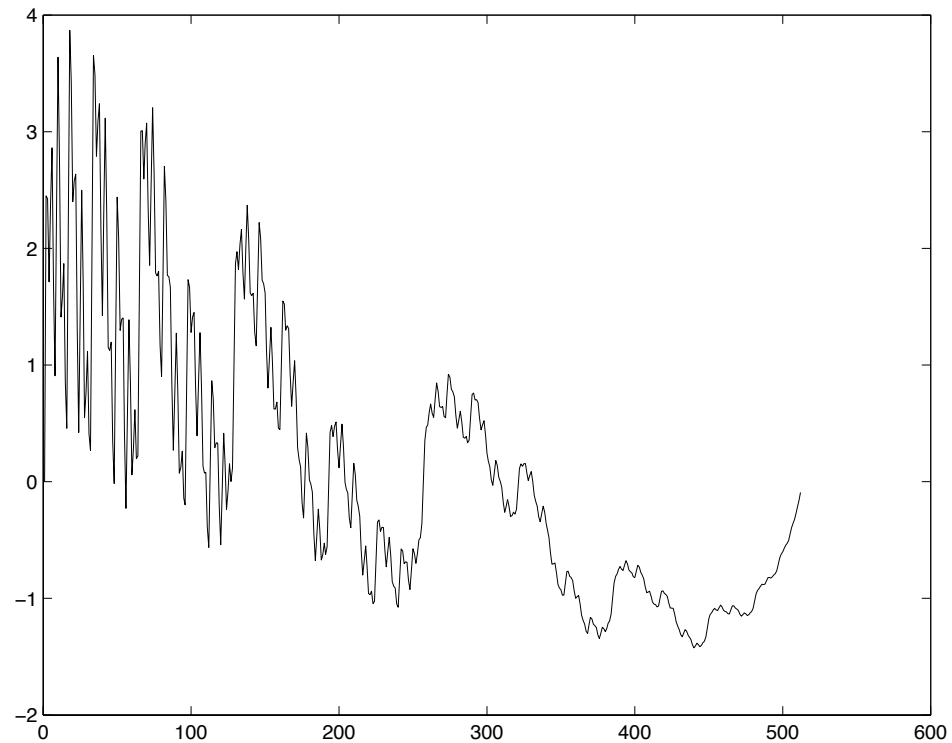
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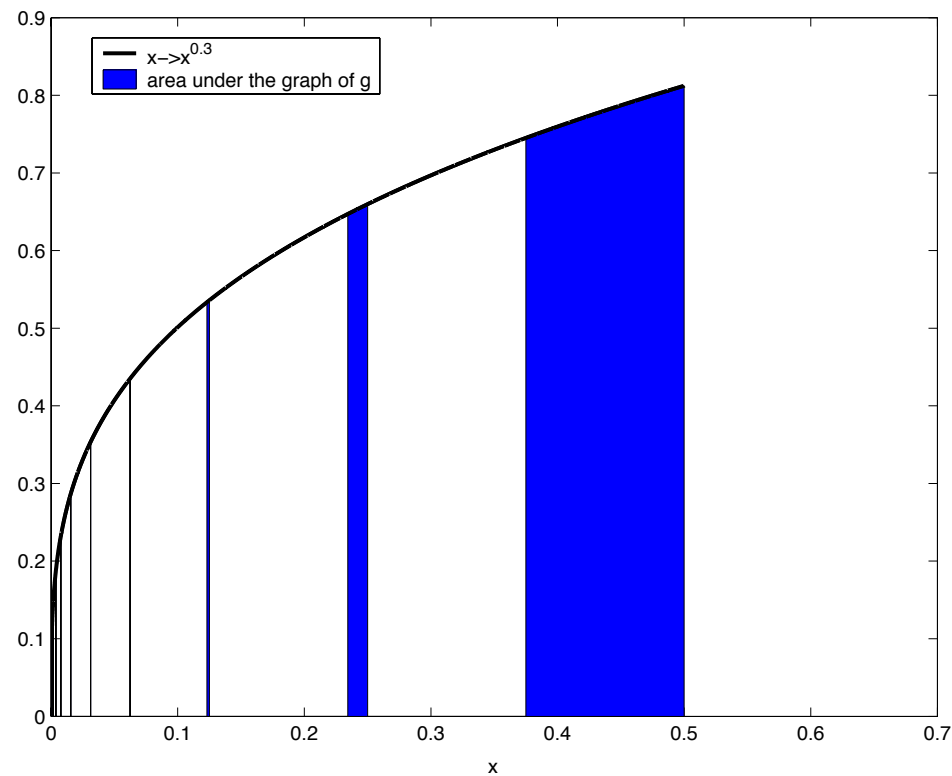
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- Less straightforward: Bessel potential of order  $\alpha$   $\mathcal{J}^\alpha$  (fractional integration operator) maps continuously  $T_u^p(x_0)$  to  $T_{u+\alpha}^p(x_0)$ .

# Example:

$$D_j = [1/2^j - 1/2^{3j}, 1/2^j], \text{ where } j \geq 0$$

$$g(x) = |x|^\alpha \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} I_{D_j}(x).$$

$$h_g(0) = \alpha < u_g^p(0) = \alpha + 1/p \text{ for any } p \geq 1.$$



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- we write  $\lambda = (j, k) = [\frac{k}{2^j}, \frac{k+1}{2^j}]$  which yields  $\psi_\lambda = \psi(2^j \cdot - k)$

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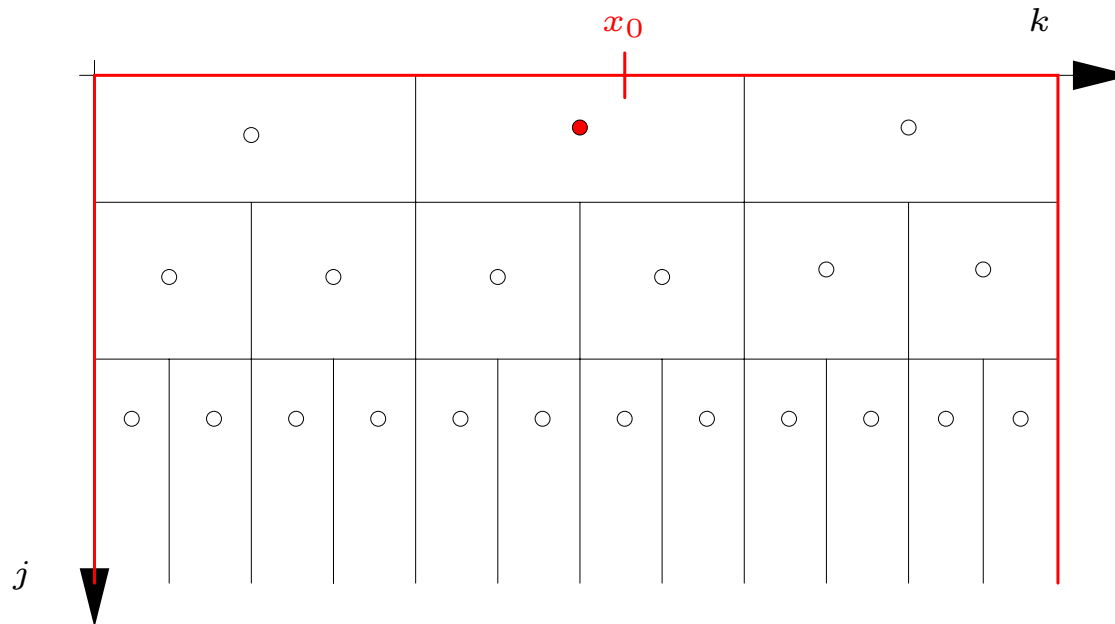
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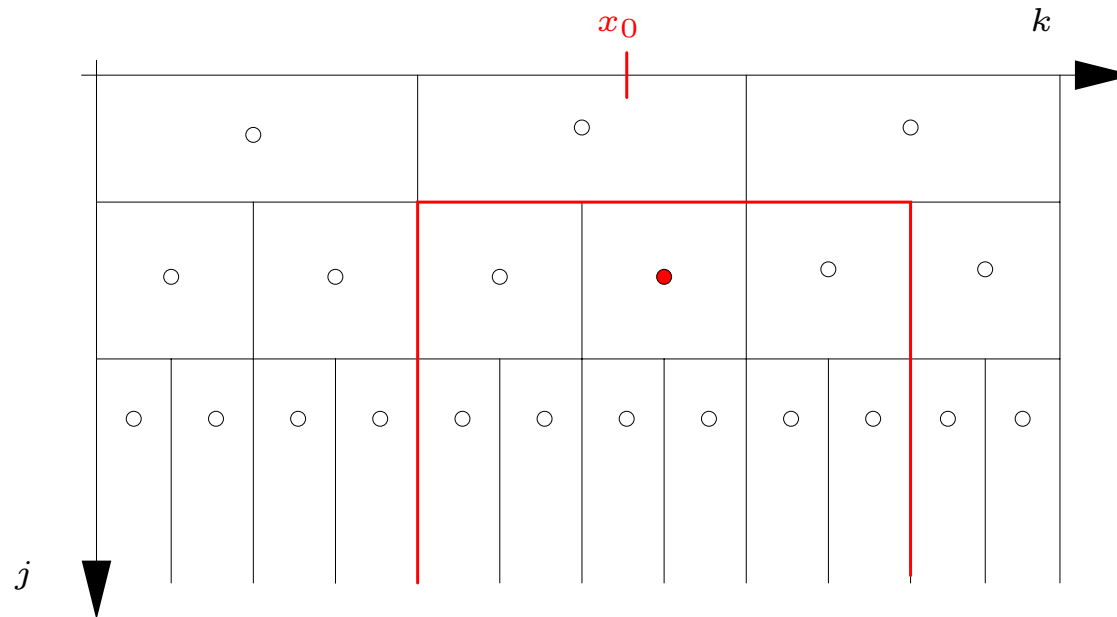


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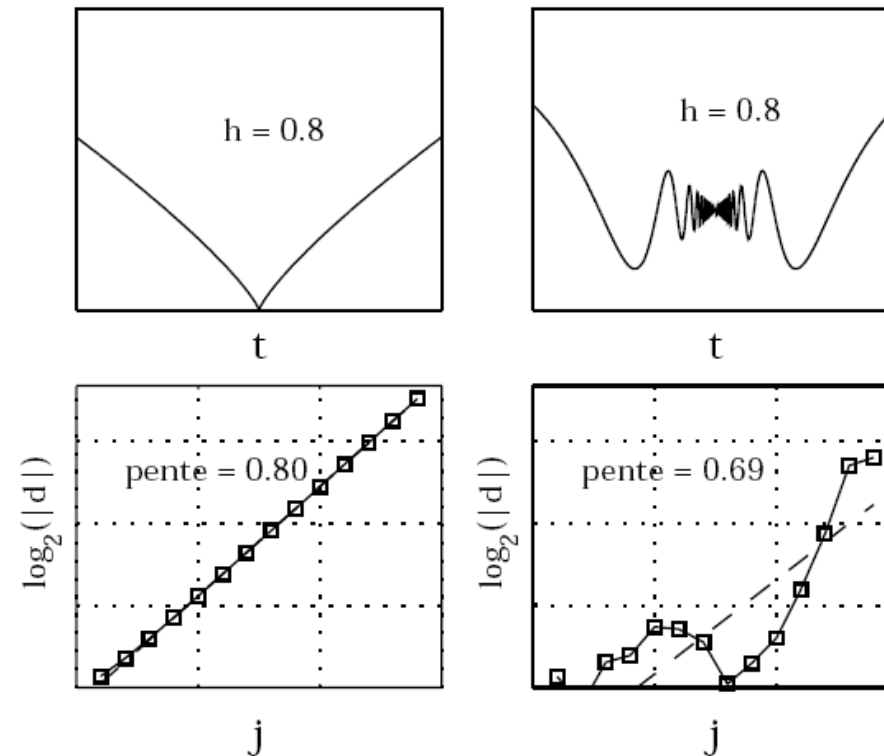
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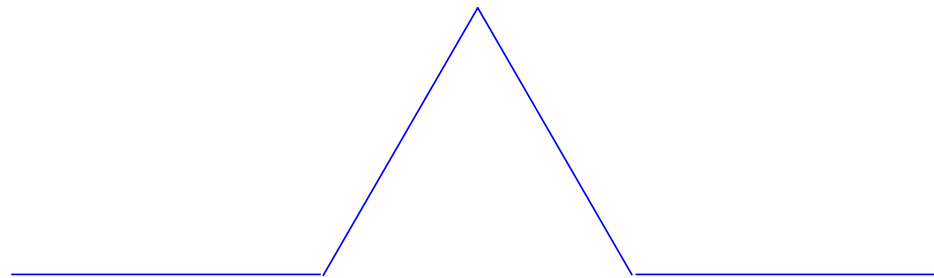
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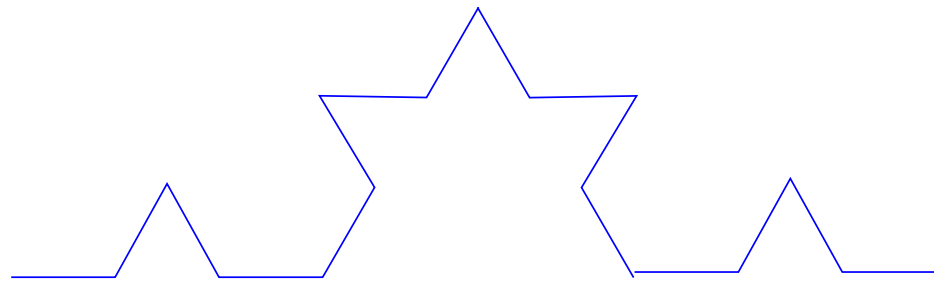
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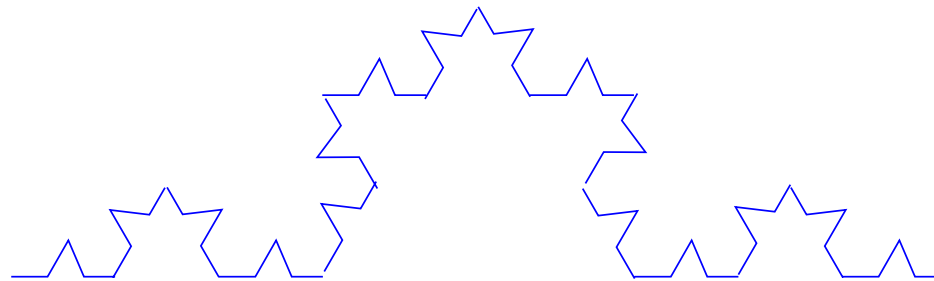
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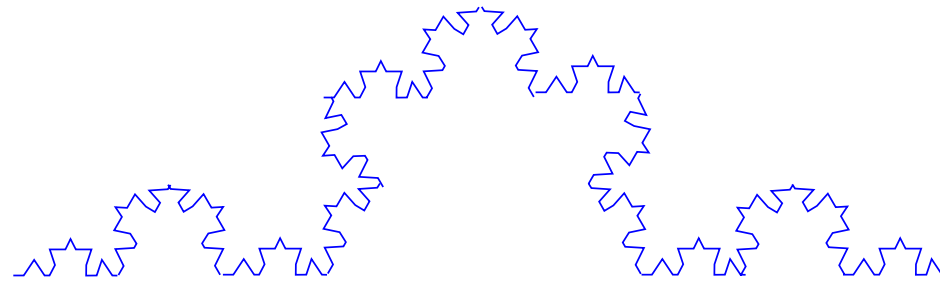
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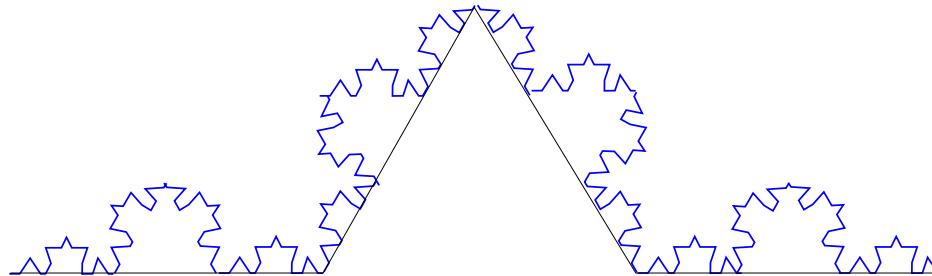
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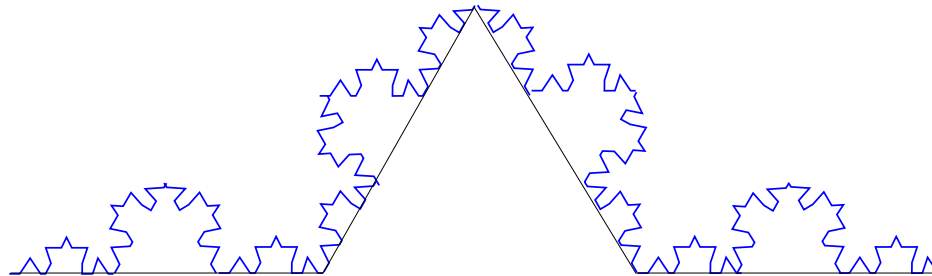
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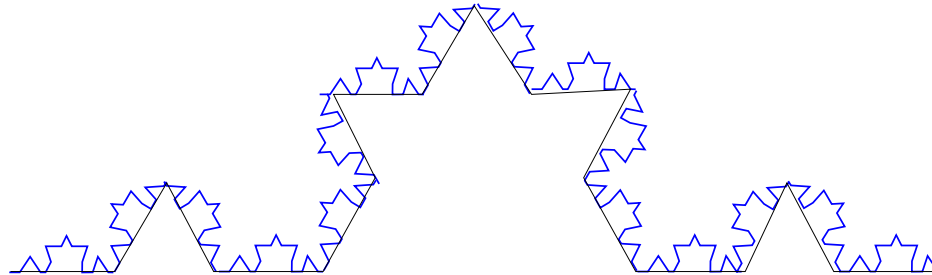
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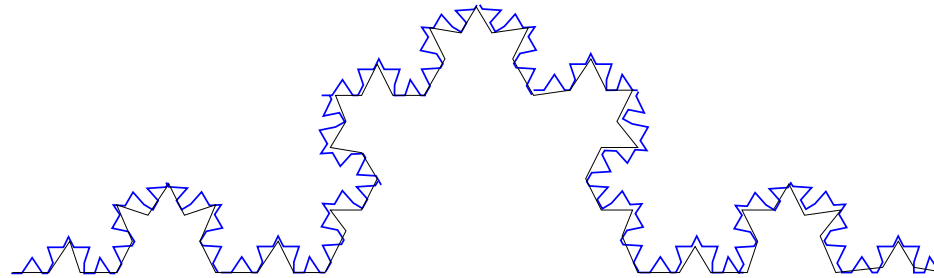
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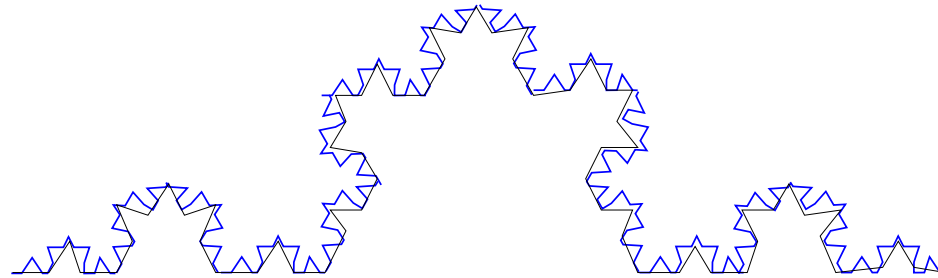


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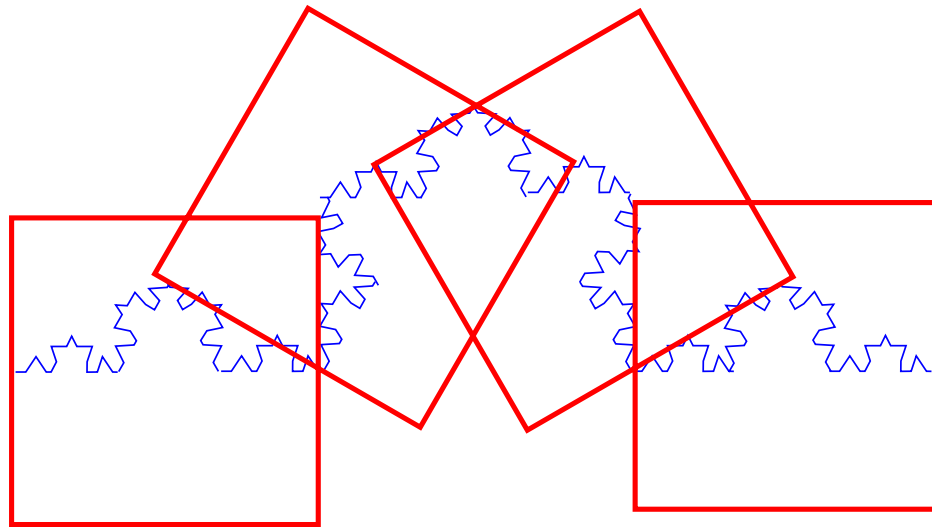
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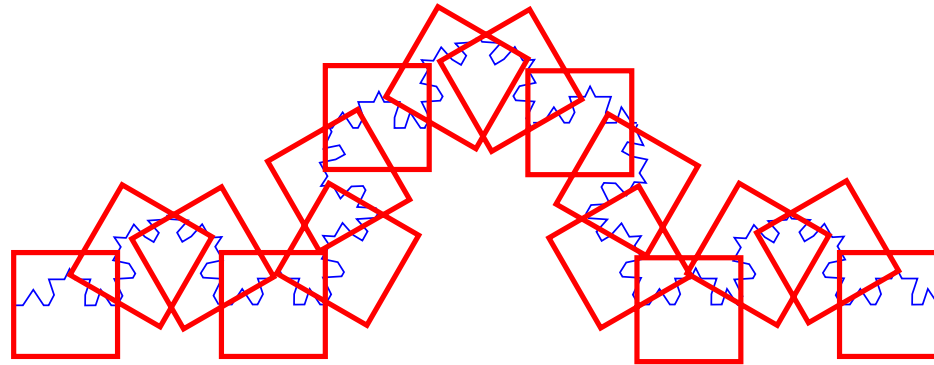
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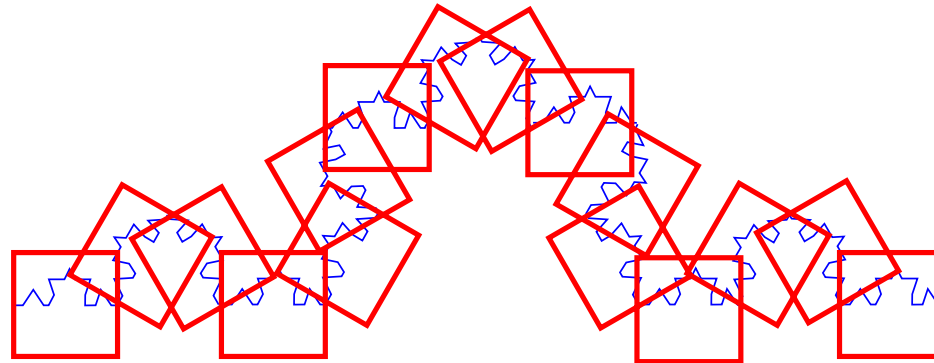
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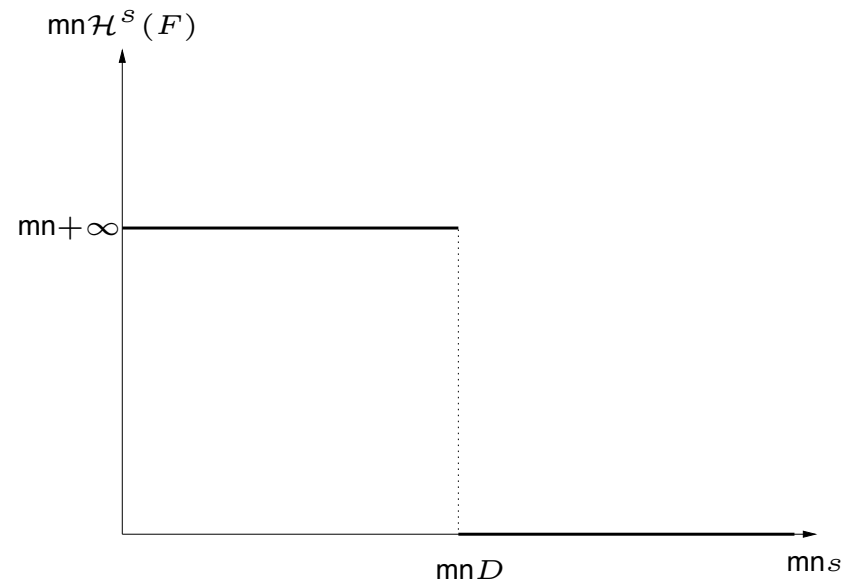


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