

# Algebras of hypercyclic vectors



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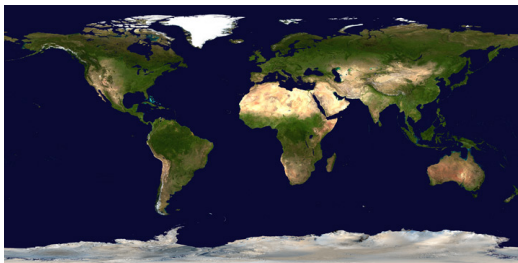


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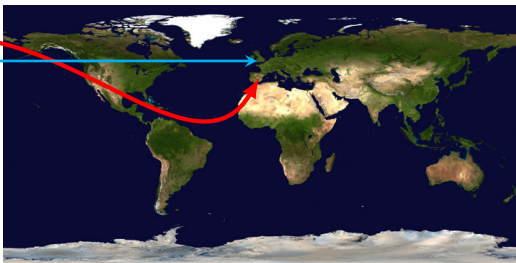


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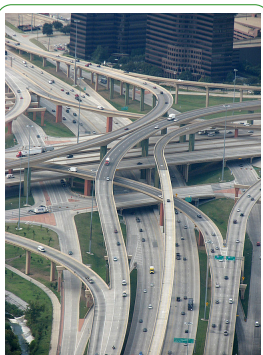


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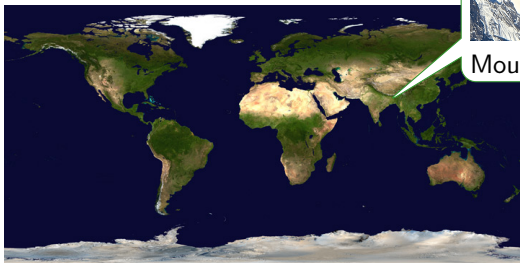
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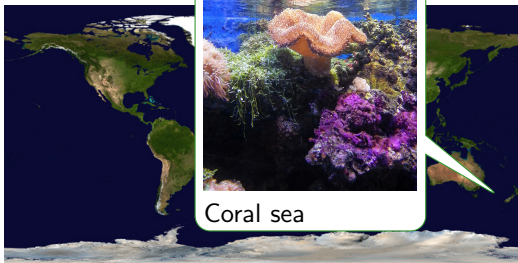
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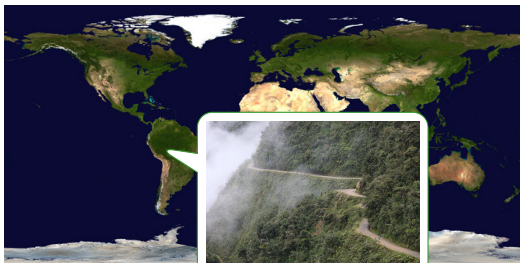




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Naturally we have that  $B_w F_w^{-1} = Id$  where  $Id$  is the identity map on  $X$  and  $w^{-1} = (w_n^{-1})_n$ .

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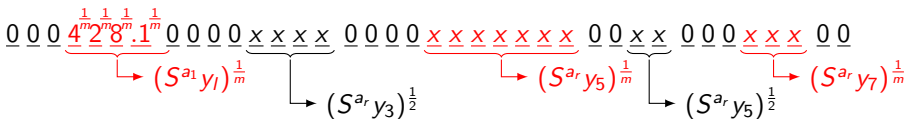
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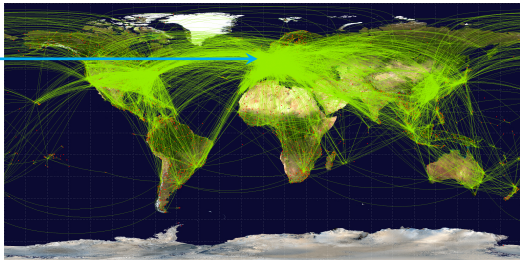


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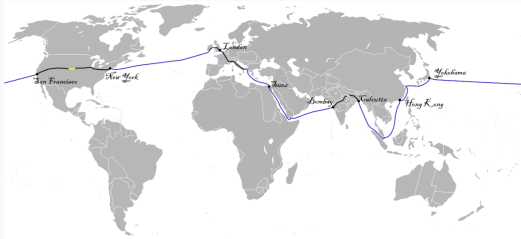
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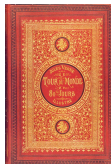
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An operator  $T$  on a Fréchet space  $X$  is called *frequently hypercyclic* if there is some  $x \in X$  so that, for any non-empty open subset  $U$  of  $X$ ,

$$\underline{\text{dens}}\{n \in \mathbb{N}_0; T^n x \in U\} > 0.$$

In this case,  $x$  is called a *frequently hypercyclic vector* for  $T$ . The set of frequently hypercyclic vectors for  $T$  is denoted by  $FHC(T)$ .

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$$z(t) = \begin{cases} x(1)y(1) & \text{if } j = 1 \\ x(1)y(t-1) & \text{if } n_k + 2 \leq t \leq n_k + s_l \text{ for some } n_k \in A(l) \\ 0 & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

where  $(n_k)_k, (s_l)_l$  are two fixed sequences of natural numbers and  $A(l)$  is a set of positive lower density for all  $l \in \mathbb{N}$ .

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