

New Hausdorff type dimensions and optimal bounds for bilipschitz invariant dimensions

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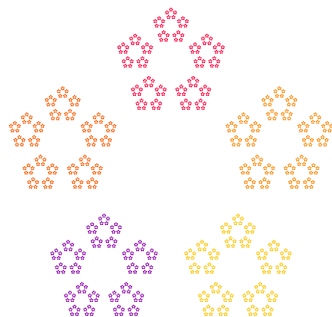
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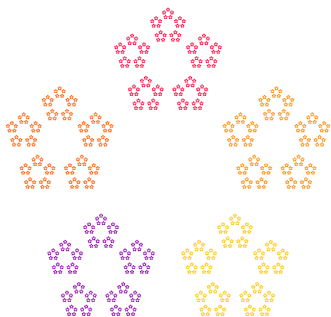
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Counter-example for $D(K) \leq \dim_{\text{A}}(K)$ when $n > 1$:

$$D(K) = \begin{cases} \dim_{\text{A}} K & \text{if } K \text{ is totally disconnected,} \\ n & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

Then $D(L) = n > 1 = \dim_{\text{A}}(L)$ for any closed line segment.

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Theorem (Siqi Wang 2024)

Hausdorff dimension is not the only dimension that has all the properties we have mentioned so far.

Right now we do not know what property or properties we should add to get a promising conjecture to characterize Hausdorff dimension.

Any idea?

Thank you



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