

# On the number of Pisot polynomials

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**Definition 1** Let  $d \geq 1$  and  $\mathbf{r} = (r_1, \dots, r_d) \in \mathbb{R}^d$ . To  $\mathbf{r}$  we associate the mapping  $\tau_{\mathbf{r}} : \mathbb{Z}^d \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}^d$ : For  $\mathbf{a} = (a_1, \dots, a_d) \in \mathbb{Z}^d$  let

$$\tau_{\mathbf{r}}(\mathbf{a}) = (a_2, \dots, a_d, -\lfloor \mathbf{r}\mathbf{a} \rfloor),$$

where  $\mathbf{r}\mathbf{a} = r_1a_1 + \dots + r_da_d$ . We call  $\tau_{\mathbf{r}}$  a shift radix system (SRS for short) if for all  $\mathbf{a} \in \mathbb{Z}^d$  we can find some  $k > 0$  with  $\tau_{\mathbf{r}}^k(\mathbf{a}) = 0$ .

SRS form a common generalization of canonical number systems in residue class rings of polynomial rings as well as  $\beta$ -expansions of real numbers.

For  $d \in \mathbb{N}$ ,  $d \geq 1$  let

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{D}_d &:= \left\{ \mathbf{r} \in \mathbb{R}^d : \forall \mathbf{a} \in \mathbb{Z}^d \text{ the sequence } (\tau_{\mathbf{r}}^k(\mathbf{a}))_{k \geq 0} \text{ is ultimately periodic} \right\} \\ \mathcal{D}_d^0 &:= \left\{ \mathbf{r} \in \mathbb{R}^d : \forall \mathbf{a} \in \mathbb{Z}^d \exists k > 0 : \tau_{\mathbf{r}}^k(\mathbf{a}) = 0 \right\}. \end{aligned}$$

$\mathcal{D}_d$  is strongly related to the set of contracting polynomials. In particular, let

$$\mathcal{E}_d(r) := \left\{ (r_1, \dots, r_d) \in \mathbb{R}^d : X^d + r_d X^{d-1} + \dots + r_1 \right. \\ \left. \text{has only roots } y \in \mathbb{C} \text{ with } |y| < r \right\}.$$

Let  $P(X) = X^d - b_1 X^{d-1} - \dots - b_d \in \mathbb{Z}[X]$ .

- If all but one root of  $P$  is located in the open unit disc then  $P$  is called a *Pisot polynomial*. Its dominant root is called *Pisot number*.
- If all but one root of  $P$  is located in the closed unit disc and at least one of them has modulus 1 then  $P$  is called a *Salem polynomial*. Its dominant root is called *Salem number*.

If  $P$  is a Pisot or Salem polynomial, we will denote its dominating root by  $\beta$ .

Let  $\beta > 1$  and put  $\mathcal{A} = \{0, 1, \dots, \lfloor \beta \rfloor\}$ . Then each  $\gamma \in [0, \infty)$  can be represented uniquely as a  $\beta$ -expansion by

$$\gamma = a_m \beta^m + a_{m-1} \beta^{m-1} + \dots \quad (2)$$

with  $a_i \in \mathcal{A}$  such that

$$0 \leq \gamma - \sum_{i=n}^m a_i \beta^i < \beta^n \quad (3)$$

holds for all  $n \leq m$ . Since the digits  $a_i$  are selected as large as possible, this representation is often called the *greedy expansion* of  $\gamma$  with respect to  $\beta$ .

K. Schmidt (1980) proved that in order to get ultimately periodic expansions for all  $\gamma \in \mathbb{Q} \cap (0, 1)$  it is necessary for  $\beta$  to be a Pisot or a Salem number.

Let  $\text{Fin}(\beta)$  be the set of positive real numbers having finite greedy expansion with respect to  $\beta$ . We say that  $\beta > 1$  has property (F) if

$$\text{Fin}(\beta) = \mathbb{Z}[1/\beta] \cap [0, \infty).$$

It is shown by Frougny and Solomyak (1992) that (F) can hold only for Pisot numbers  $\beta$ . Akiyama, Brunotte, Pethő and Thuswaldner (2005) proved that property (F) is related to the SRS property.

Associated to Pisot and Salem numbers with periodic  $\beta$ -expansions and with property (F), respectively, we define for each  $d \in \mathbb{N}$ ,  $d \geq 1$  the sets

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{B}_d &:= \{(b_1, \dots, b_d) \in \mathbb{Z}^d : X^d - b_1X^{d-1} - \dots - b_d \\ &\quad \text{is a Pisot or Salem polynomial}\} \quad \text{and} \\ \mathcal{B}_d^0 &:= \{(b_1, \dots, b_d) \in \mathbb{Z}^d : X^d - b_1X^{d-1} - \dots - b_d \\ &\quad \text{is a Pisot polynomial with property (F)}\}. \end{aligned}$$

We obviously have  $\mathcal{B}_d^0 \subseteq \mathcal{B}_d$ .

Let us consider the map  $\psi : \mathcal{B}_d \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^{d-1}$ . If  $(b_1, \dots, b_d) \in \mathcal{B}_d$  then let  $\beta$  be the dominant root of the polynomial

$$P(X) = X^d - b_1X^{d-1} - \dots - b_d.$$

Now let

$$\psi(b_1, \dots, b_d) = (r_d, \dots, r_2),$$

where  $r_2, \dots, r_d$  are defined in a way that they satisfy the relation

$$X^d - b_1 X^{d-1} - \dots - b_d = (X - \beta)(X^{d-1} + r_2 X^{d-2} + \dots + r_d).$$

As  $(b_1, \dots, b_d) \in \mathcal{B}_d$ , the polynomial  $X^{d-1} + r_2 X^{d-2} + \dots + r_d$  has all its roots in the closed unit circle. Together with this implies that

$$\psi(\mathcal{B}_d) \subseteq \overline{\mathcal{D}_{d-1}}.$$

The above-mentioned relation between property (F) and SRS now reads as follows.

$$\psi(\mathcal{B}_d^0) \subseteq \mathcal{D}_{d-1}^0.$$

We show that  $\psi(\mathcal{B}_d)$  and  $\psi(\mathcal{B}_d^0)$  are excellent approximations of  $\mathcal{D}_{d-1}$  and  $\mathcal{D}_{d-1}^0$  respectively.

For  $M \in \mathbb{N}_{>0}$  we set

$$\mathcal{B}_d(M) := \left\{ (b_2, \dots, b_d) \in \mathbb{Z}^{d-1} : (M, b_2, \dots, b_d) \in \mathcal{B}_d \right\} \quad (4)$$

and

$$\mathcal{B}_d^0(M) := \left\{ (b_2, \dots, b_d) \in \mathbb{Z}^{d-1} : (M, b_2, \dots, b_d) \in \mathcal{B}_d^0 \right\}. \quad (5)$$

With these notations we are able to state the following theorem.

**Theorem 2** *We have*

$$\lim_{M \rightarrow \infty} \frac{|\mathcal{B}_d(M)|}{M^{d-1}} = \lambda_{d-1}(\mathcal{D}_{d-1}), \quad (6)$$

and

$$\lim_{M \rightarrow \infty} \frac{|\mathcal{B}_d^0(M)|}{M^{d-1}} = \lambda_{d-1}(\mathcal{D}_{d-1}^0), \quad (7)$$

where  $\lambda_{d-1}$  denotes the  $d - 1$ -dimensional Lebesgue measure.



## Properties of two auxiliary mappings

For  $M \in \mathbb{Z}$  let  $\chi_M : \mathbb{R}^{d-1} \mapsto \mathbb{Z}^d$  such that if  $\mathbf{r} = (r_2, \dots, r_d)$  then  $\chi_M(\mathbf{r}) = \mathbf{b} = (b_1, \dots, b_d)$ , where  $b_1 = M$ ,  $b_d = \lfloor r_d(M + r_2) + \frac{1}{2} \rfloor$  and

$$b_i = \lfloor r_i(M + r_2) - r_{i+1} + \frac{1}{2} \rfloor, i = 2, \dots, d-1.$$

If  $\mathbf{b} = (b_1, \dots, b_d) \in \mathcal{B}_d$ , then  $\chi_{b_1}(\psi(\mathbf{b})) = \mathbf{b}$ , i.e.  $\chi_{b_1}$  is the inverse of  $\psi$ .

To prove the main theorem we need some properties of the sets

$$\mathcal{S}_d(M) = \chi_M(\overline{\mathcal{D}_{d-1}}) \quad \text{and} \quad \mathcal{S}_d^0(M) = \chi_M(\overline{\mathcal{D}_{d-1}^0})$$

and

$$\mathcal{S}_d = \cup_{M \in \mathbb{Z}} \mathcal{S}_d(M) \quad \text{and} \quad \mathcal{S}_d^0 = \cup_{M \in \mathbb{Z}} \mathcal{S}_d^0(M).$$

Our first Lemma shows that if  $|M|$  is large enough then the polynomials associated to the elements of  $\mathcal{S}_d$  behaves in some sense similar as Pisot or Salem polynomials.

**Lemma 3** *Let  $M \in \mathbb{Z}$ ,  $(b_1, \dots, b_d) \in \mathcal{S}_d(M)$  and  $P(X) = X^d - b_1X^{d-1} - \dots - b_d$ . There exist constants  $c_1 = c_1(d), c_2 = c_2(d)$  such that if  $|M|$  is large enough than  $P(X)$  has a real root  $\beta$  for which the inequalities*

$$|\beta - b_1| < c_1 \tag{8}$$

$$\left| \beta - b_1 - \frac{b_2}{b_1} \right| < \frac{c_2}{|b_1|} + O\left(\frac{1}{b_1^2}\right), \tag{9}$$

*hold.*

There exists  $(r_2, \dots, r_d) \in \overline{\mathcal{D}_{d-1}}$  such that  $\mathbf{b} = (b_1, \dots, b_d) = \chi_M(r_2, \dots, r_d)$ .

It is easy to see that  $|r_i| \leq 2^{d-1}$ . Thus  $b_i = Mr_i + O(1), i = 2, \dots, d$ .

Put  $Q(X) = b_2X^{d-2} + \dots + b_d$ , i.e. let  $P(X) = X^d - MX^{d-1} - Q(X)$ . Then  $P(M) = Q(M)$  and  $P(M+t) = t(M+t)^{d-1} + Q(M+t)$ . Assume that  $M > 0$  and large enough and  $Q(M) < 0$ . As  $|Q(M+t)| \leq d2^dM(M+t)^{d-2}$  we have  $P(M+t) > 0$  provided  $t \geq d2^d$ . Thus  $P(X)$  has a real root in the interval  $(M, M+t)$  and (8) is proved with  $c_1 = d2^d$ .

The relation  $P(\beta) = 0$  implies

$$\beta = b_1 + \frac{b_2}{\beta} + \frac{b_3}{\beta^2} + \dots + \frac{b_d}{\beta^{d-1}}.$$

Thus

$$\beta - b_1 - \frac{b_2}{b_1} = \frac{(b_1 - \beta)b_2}{b_1\beta} + \frac{b_3}{\beta^2} + \dots + \frac{b_d}{\beta^{d-1}}.$$

using this expression, inequality (8) and the estimates  $|b_i| = 2^d|M|, i = 2, \dots, d$  we get

$$\begin{aligned} \left| \beta - b_1 - \frac{b_2}{b_1} \right| &\leq \frac{c_1 2^{d-1}}{|b_1| - c_1} + \frac{2^d |b_1|}{(|b_1| - c_1)^2} + \sum_{j=3}^{d-1} \frac{2^d |b_1|}{(|b_1| - c_1)^j} \\ &< \frac{c_2}{|b_1|} + O\left(\frac{1}{b_1^2}\right), \end{aligned}$$

which proves the second assertion of the Lemma.

Now we are in the position to extend the definition of  $\psi$  from the set  $\mathcal{B}_d$  to  $\mathcal{S}_d$ . If  $(b_1, \dots, b_d) \in \mathcal{S}_d$  and  $|b_1|$  is large enough, then let  $\beta$  be the dominant root of the polynomial

$$P(X) = X^d - b_1X^{d-1} - \dots - b_d,$$

which exists by Lemma 3. Then let

$$\psi(b_1, \dots, b_d) = (r_d, \dots, r_2),$$

where the real numbers  $r_2, \dots, r_d$  are defined in a way that they satisfy the relation

$$X^d - b_1X^{d-1} - \dots - b_d = (X - \beta)(X^{d-1} + r_2X^{d-2} + \dots + r_d).$$

We also introduce an other mapping  $\tilde{\psi} : \mathbb{Z}^d \mapsto \mathbb{Q}^{d-1}$  by

$$\tilde{\psi}(b_1, \dots, b_d) = \left( \frac{b_d}{b_1 + \frac{b_2}{b_1}}, \frac{b_{d-1}}{b_1 + \frac{b_2}{b_1}} + \frac{b_d}{b_1^2}, \dots, \frac{b_2}{b_1 + \frac{b_2}{b_1}} + \frac{b_3}{b_1^2} \right).$$

The next lemma shows that if  $(b_1, \dots, b_d) \in \mathcal{S}_d$  then  $\tilde{\psi}(b_1, \dots, b_d)$  is a good approximation of  $\psi(b_1, \dots, b_d)$ . We actually prove

**Lemma 4** *Let  $(b_1, \dots, b_d) \in \mathcal{S}_d$  and assume that  $|b_1|$  is large enough. Then*

$$\left| \tilde{\psi}(b_1, \dots, b_d) - \psi(b_1, \dots, b_d) \right|_{\infty} < \frac{c_3}{b_1^2} + O\left(\frac{1}{|b_1|^3}\right),$$

where  $c_3$  is depending only on  $d$ .

In the next lemma we show that the set  $\tilde{\psi}(\mathcal{S}_d)$  is lattice like. More precisely we prove

**Lemma 5** *Let  $\mathbf{b} = (b_1, \dots, b_d), \mathbf{b}' = (b'_1, \dots, b'_d) \in \mathcal{S}_d$  such that there exists a  $1 \leq j \leq d$  such that  $b_i = b'_i, i \neq j$  and  $b'_j = b_j + 1$ . Then*

$$|\tilde{\psi}(\mathbf{b})_k - \tilde{\psi}(\mathbf{b}')_k| = \begin{cases} 0, & \text{if } j > 2 \text{ and } k \neq d - j + 1, d - j + 2 \\ \frac{1}{|b_1|} + O(b_1^{-2}), & \text{if } j > 2 \text{ and } k = d - j + 1 \text{ or } j = 2, k = d - 1 \\ O(b_1^{-2}), & \text{if } j > 2 \text{ and } k = d - j + 2 \text{ or } j = 2, k < d - 1 \\ |b_{d-k+1}| \left( \frac{1}{b_1^2} + O(|b_1|^{-3}) \right), & \text{if } j = 1. \end{cases}$$

## A lemma on the roots of polynomials

**Lemma 6** *Assume that all roots  $\alpha \in \mathbb{C}$  of the polynomial  $P(x) = X^d + p_{d-1}X^{d-1} + \dots + p_0 \in \mathbb{R}[X]$  satisfy  $|\alpha| < \rho$ . Let  $\varepsilon > 0$  and  $Q(x) = X^d + q_{d-1}X^{d-1} + \dots + q_0 \in \mathbb{R}[X]$  such that  $|p_i - q_i| < \varepsilon, i = 0, \dots, d-1$ . Then for every root  $\alpha$  of  $P(X)$  there exists a root  $\beta$  of  $Q(X)$  such that*

$$|\alpha - \beta| < \begin{cases} (d\varepsilon)^{1/d}, & \text{if } \rho \leq 1, \\ \left(\varepsilon \frac{\rho^{d-1}}{\rho-1}\right)^{1/d}, & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$



Let  $\alpha \in \mathbb{C}$  be a root of  $P(X)$  and denote by  $\beta_1, \dots, \beta_d$  the roots of  $Q(X)$ . Then

$$Q(\alpha) - P(\alpha) = \sum_{i=0}^{d-1} \alpha^i (q_i - p_i) = \prod_{i=1}^d (\alpha - \beta_i).$$

We may assume without loss of generality  $|\alpha - \beta_1| = \min_{1 \leq i \leq d} |\alpha - \beta_i|$ . Then on one hand

$$\prod_{i=1}^d |\alpha - \beta_i| \geq |\alpha - \beta_1|^d$$

and on the other hand

$$\prod_{i=1}^d |\alpha - \beta_i| \leq \sum_{i=0}^{d-1} |\alpha|^i |q_i - p_i| \leq \varepsilon \sum_{i=0}^d \rho^i.$$

Comparing these inequalities we get the result.

The following Lemma is a immediate consequence of a theorem of Akiyama, Brunotte, Pethő and Thuswaldner (2005)

**Lemma 7** *For every  $\varepsilon > 0$  there exists  $M_0$  such that if  $|M| > M_0$  then*

$$\lambda_{d-1} \left( \mathcal{D}_{d-1} \setminus \mathcal{E} \left( 1 - \sqrt[d]{\frac{d}{2|M|}} \right) \right) < \varepsilon$$

*and*

$$\lambda_{d-1} \left( \mathcal{D}_{d-1}^0 \setminus \mathcal{E} \left( 1 - \sqrt[d]{\frac{d}{2|M|}} \right) \right) < \varepsilon.$$

The next Lemma can be proved similarly as Lemma 4.7. of [?].

**Lemma 8** *For every  $\varepsilon > 0$  there exists  $M_0$  such that if  $|M| > M_0$  then*

$$\lambda_{d-1} \left( \mathcal{E} \left( 1 + \sqrt[d]{\frac{d}{2|M|}} \right) \setminus \mathcal{D}_{d-1} \right) < \varepsilon.$$

## Proof of Theorem 2

Let  $M > 0$  and put

$$W(\mathbf{x}, s) = \{\mathbf{y} \in \mathbb{R}^d : |\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{y}|_\infty \leq s/2\} \quad (\mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^d, s \in \mathbb{R})$$

and

$$\mathcal{W}_{d-1}(M) = \cup_{\mathbf{x} \in \mathcal{B}_d(M)} W(\psi(\mathbf{x}), M^{-1}).$$

Then we claim

$$\lambda_{d-1}(\mathcal{W}_{d-1}(M)) = \frac{|\mathcal{B}_d(M)|}{M^{d-1}} \left( 1 + O\left(\frac{1}{M}\right) \right). \quad (10)$$

Indeed, let  $\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y} \in \mathcal{B}_d(M)$  such that  $\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{y} = \mathbf{e}_j$  for some  $j \in \{2, \dots, d\}$ . Then by Lemmata 4 and 5

$$\begin{aligned} |\psi(\mathbf{x})_k - \psi(\mathbf{y})_k| &\leq |\psi(\mathbf{x})_k - \tilde{\psi}(\mathbf{x})_k + \tilde{\psi}(\mathbf{x})_k - \tilde{\psi}(\mathbf{y})_k + \tilde{\psi}(\mathbf{y})_k - \psi(\mathbf{y})_k| \\ &\leq \begin{cases} \frac{1}{M} + O\left(\frac{1}{M^2}\right), & \text{if } (j, k) = (2, d-1), \text{ or } j > 2, k = d - j + 1 \\ \left(\frac{1}{M^2}\right), & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases} \end{aligned}$$

Thus

$$\lambda_{d-1}(W(\psi(\mathbf{x}), M^{-1}) \cap W(\psi(\mathbf{y}), M^{-1})) = O\left(\frac{1}{M^d}\right). \quad (11)$$

As  $\mathbf{x}$  has at most  $2^d$  neighbors we get

$$\lambda_{d-1}\left(\bigcup_{\substack{\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y} \in \mathcal{B}_d(M) \\ \mathbf{x} \neq \mathbf{y}}} (W(\psi(\mathbf{x}), M^{-1}) \cap W(\psi(\mathbf{y}), M^{-1}))\right) = O\left(\frac{|\mathcal{B}_d(M)|}{M^d}\right)$$

and the claim is proved.

Now we are in the position to give lower estimate for  $\lambda_{d-1}(\mathcal{D}_{d-1})$ . Let  $\mathbf{x} \in \mathcal{B}_d(M)$  such that  $\psi(\mathbf{x}) \in \mathcal{E} \left(1 - \sqrt[d]{\frac{d}{2M}}\right) \subseteq \mathcal{D}_{d-1}$ . Let  $\mathbf{y} \in W(\psi(\mathbf{x}), M^{-1})$ . Then  $\rho(\psi(\mathbf{x})) < 1 - \sqrt[d]{\frac{d}{2M}}$  and as  $|\psi(\mathbf{x}) - \mathbf{y}|_\infty \leq \frac{1}{2M}$  we get  $\rho(\mathbf{y}) < 1$  by Lemma 6. Thus

$$\bigcup_{\substack{\mathbf{x} \in \mathcal{B}_d(M) \\ \rho(\psi(\mathbf{x})) < 1 - \sqrt[d]{\frac{d}{2M}}}} W(\psi(\mathbf{x}), M^{-1}) \subseteq \mathcal{D}_{d-1}. \quad (12)$$

Let  $\varepsilon > 0$  and  $M > M_0$ , where  $M_0$  is defined in Lemma 7. Then the number of  $\mathbf{x} \in \mathcal{B}_d(M)$  such that  $1 - \sqrt[d]{\frac{d}{2M}} \leq \rho(\psi(\mathbf{x})) \leq 1$  is at most  $O(M^{d-1}\varepsilon)$  by Lemma 7 and by (11). Combining this with 11 and 12 we obtain the desired lower bound

$$\lambda_{d-1}(\mathcal{D}_{d-1}) \geq \frac{|\mathcal{B}_d(M)|}{M^{d-1}} (1 - \varepsilon). \quad (13)$$

To prove an upper bound we construct for every  $\mathbf{r} = (r_d, \dots, r_2) \in \mathcal{D}_{d-1}$  and  $M$  large enough a vector  $\mathbf{b} = (b_1, \dots, b_d) \in \mathbb{Z}^d$  such that  $\psi(\mathbf{b})$  is lying near enough to  $\mathbf{r}$ .

Indeed put  $\mathbf{b} = \chi_M(\mathbf{r})$  and consider

$$\tilde{\psi}(\mathbf{b}) = \left( \frac{b_d}{b_1 + \frac{b_2}{b_1}}, \frac{b_{d-1}}{b_1 + \frac{b_2}{b_1}} + \frac{b_d}{b_1^2}, \dots, \frac{b_2}{b_1 + \frac{b_2}{b_1}} + \frac{b_3}{b_1^2} \right).$$

then we get

$$|\tilde{\psi}(\mathbf{b}) - \mathbf{r}|_\infty \leq \frac{1}{2M} + O\left(\frac{1}{M^2}\right).$$

Applying now Lemma 4 we obtain

$$|\psi(\mathbf{b}) - \mathbf{r}|_\infty \leq |\tilde{\psi}(\mathbf{b}) - \mathbf{r}|_\infty + |\psi(\mathbf{b}) - \tilde{\psi}(\mathbf{b})|_\infty \leq \frac{1}{2M} + O\left(\frac{1}{M^2}\right).$$

Thus by Lemma 6

$$\rho(\psi(\mathbf{b})) \leq \rho(\mathbf{r}) + \sqrt[d]{\frac{d}{2M}} \leq 1 + \sqrt[d]{\frac{d}{2M}}.$$

This means that if  $M$  is large enough then all but one roots of  $P(X) = X^d - b_1X^{d-1} - \dots - b_d$  have absolute value at most  $1 + \sqrt[d]{\frac{d}{2M}}$  and one root is close to  $M$ . We have further

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{D}_{d-1} &\subseteq \bigcup_{\substack{\mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{Z}^d \\ \psi(\mathbf{x}) \in \mathcal{E}_{d-1}(1 + \sqrt[d]{\frac{d}{2M}})}} W(\psi(\mathbf{x}), M^{-1}) \\ &= \bigcup_{\mathbf{x} \in \mathcal{B}_d(M)} W(\psi(\mathbf{x}), M^{-1}) \cup \bigcup_{\substack{\mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{Z}^d \\ \psi(\mathbf{x}) \in \mathcal{E}_{d-1}(1 + \sqrt[d]{\frac{d}{2M}}) \setminus \mathcal{E}(1)}} W(\psi(\mathbf{x}), M^{-1}). \end{aligned}$$

Let again  $\varepsilon > 0$  and  $M > M_0$ , where  $M_0$  is defined in Lemma 8.



Then Lemma 8 and (11) implies that the number of  $\mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{Z}^d$  such that  $\psi(\mathbf{x})$  is lying in  $\mathcal{E}_{d-1} \left(1 + \sqrt[d]{\frac{d}{2M}}\right) \setminus \mathcal{D}_{d-1}$  is at most  $O(M^{d-1}\varepsilon)$ , thus

$$\lambda_{d-1}(\mathcal{D}_{d-1}) \leq \frac{|\mathcal{B}_d(M)|}{M^{d-1}} (1 + \varepsilon).$$

Comparing this inequality with (13) we obtain the first statement of Theorem 2.