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Marschall, Amherst College, Darius Onul, Amherst College, and Yang Xiao, Brown University. Computing the entropy of certain p-adic dynamical systems.

Let  $\mathbf{Q}_p$  denote the field of *p*-adic rationals. We will consider the dynamics of a *p*-adic rational function  $f(z) \in \mathbf{Q}_p(z)$  acting on the Berkovich space  $\mathbf{P}_{Ber}^1$ , which is a *p*-adic analog of the Riemann sphere. Inspired by a question of Favre and Rivera-Letelier, we compute both the topological and the measure-theoretic entropy of this dynamical system for certain choices of f. Our computation makes use of Markov processes on countably many symbols.

No prior knowledge of *p*-adic numbers or Berkovich spaces will be assumed for this talk. (Received January 05, 2015)