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Let $f_s(x) = \min\{s \cdot x, s \cdot (1 - x)\}$ on $[0, 1]$. This is the *tent map* with slope s . Let (I, f_s) be the inverse limit of the inverse system $\{I, f_s\}_{i=1}^{\infty}$.

There is a standard homeomorphism on (I, f_s) called the *shift map*. We show that under certain conditions that every homeomorphism on (I, f_s) is isotopic to a power of this shift map. This says a great deal about the structure of the homeomorphism group of (I, f_s) . The proof gives insights into the structure of (I, f_s) as well. (Received August 30, 2008)