

# Computational Complexity of Rule Distributions of Non-Uniform Cellular Automata

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# Motivations

- Wide literature. Applications in biology, physics, cryptography, ...
- General framework for non-uniform cellular automata.
- Distributions of local rules vs. automata properties.

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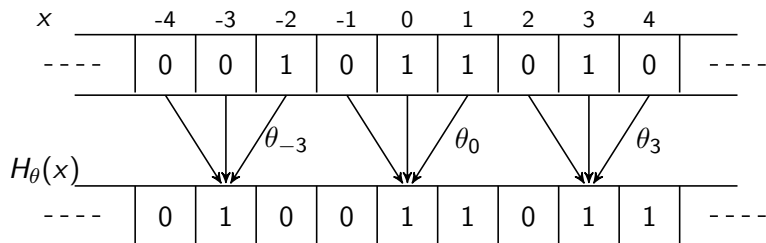
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# Non-Uniform Cellular Automata ( $\nu$ -CA)

## Definition

A *non-uniform cellular automaton* is a couple  $(A, \theta)$  where  $A$  is a finite alphabet and  $\theta$  a distribution of local rules of radius  $r$  on  $A$ . It defines a global transition function  $H_\theta$  by

$$\forall x \in A^{\mathbb{Z}}, \forall i \in \mathbb{Z}, H_\theta(x)_i = \theta_i(x_{[i-r, i+r]})$$



# Characterization of Properties

- $\mathcal{R}$  = finite set of local rules of radius  $r$
- $\Theta$  = distributions on  $\mathcal{R}$
- If  $P$  is a proposition on non-uniform cellular automata,

$$\mathcal{L}_P = \{\theta \in \Theta : H_\theta \text{ verifies } P\}$$

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# Background

- $A = \{0, 1, \dots, s - 1\}$
- Finite configurations
- **Partial charge:**  $\mu_n(x) = \sum_{i=-n}^n x_i$
- **Global charge:**  $\mu(x) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \mu_n(x)$



# Number Conservation

## Definition

- A  $\nu$ -CA  $H$  is *number conserving on finite configurations* (FNC) if for all finite configuration  $x$ ,  $\mu(x) = \mu(H(x))$ .
- A  $\nu$ -CA  $H$  is *number-conserving* (NC) if
  - $H(\underline{0}) = \underline{0}$
  - $\forall x \in A^{\mathbb{Z}} \setminus \{\underline{0}\}, \quad \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\mu_n(H(x))}{\mu_n(x)} = 1$ .

## Proposition

$H$  is NC if and only if it is NFC.

# Characterization

## Proposition

$P(H) = "H \text{ is NC}"$ . Then  $\mathcal{L}_P$  is a SFT.

$$\mathcal{L}_P = X_{\mathcal{F}}$$

$$\mathcal{F} = \left\{ \psi \in \mathcal{R}^{2r+1} : \exists u \in A^{2r+1}, \psi_{2r}(u) \neq u_0 + \sum_{i=0}^{2r-1} \psi_{i+1}(0^{2r-i} u_{[1,i+1]}) - \psi_i(0^{2r-i} u_{[0,i]}) \right\} .$$

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# Surjectivity and Finite Distributions

## Proposition

$H_\theta$  is surjective iff  $h_{\theta_{[i,j]}}$  is surjective  $\forall i \leq j$ .

## Corollary

$P(H) = "H \text{ is surjective}"$ . Then  $\mathcal{L}_P$  is a subshift.

$$\mathcal{F} = \{\psi \in \mathcal{R}^* : h_\psi \text{ is not surjective}\} .$$

# De Bruijn Graphs

## Definition

The *De Bruijn graph* of  $\mathcal{R}$  is graph  $\mathcal{G} = (V, E)$ , where  $V = A^{2r}$  and edges in  $E$  are all the pairs  $(aw, wb)$  with label  $(f, f(awb))$ , obtained varying  $a, b \in A$ ,  $w \in A^{2r-1}$ , and  $f \in \mathcal{R}$ .

## Proposition

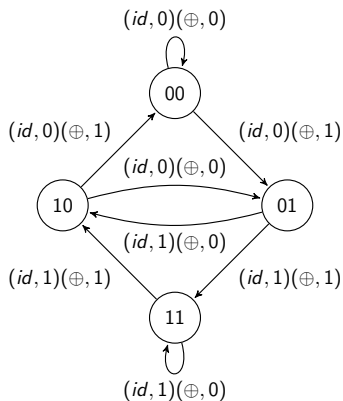
- A bi-infinite path defines a distribution  $\theta$  and two configurations  $x$  and  $y$  such that  $H_\theta(x) = y$ .
- A finite path defines a finite distribution  $\psi$  and two words  $v$  and  $w$  such that  $h_\psi(v) = w$ .

# Example

Let  $id$  and  $\oplus$  be the local rules of radius 1 on  $A = \{0, 1\}$  such that

- $id(x, y, z) = y$
- $\oplus(x, y, z) = x + z \pmod{2}$

The associated De Bruijn Graph is



# Characterization of surjectivity

## Proposition

$\mathcal{L}_P$  is a sofic subshift.

The language of a De Bruijn graph is

$$\mathcal{L} = \{(\psi, u) \in (\mathcal{R} \times A)^* : h_\psi^{-1}(u) \neq \emptyset\}$$

Then

$$\mathcal{L}^c = \{(\psi, u) \in (\mathcal{R} \times A)^* : h_\psi^{-1}(u) = \emptyset\}$$

and

$$\mathcal{L}' = \{\psi \in \mathcal{R}^* : \exists u \in A^*, h_\psi^{-1}(u) = \emptyset\} = \mathcal{F}$$

are rational.

# Injectivity and Product Graph

## Definition

Let  $\mathcal{G} = (V, E)$  be the De Bruijn graph of  $\mathcal{R}$ . The *product graph*  $\mathcal{P}$  of  $\mathcal{R}$  is the labeled graph  $(V \times V, W)$  where  $((u, u'), (v, v')) \in W$  with label  $(f, a) \in \mathcal{R} \times A$  if and only if  $(u, v), (u', v') \in E$  both with the same label  $(f, a)$ .

## Proposition

*A bi-infinite path defines a distribution  $\theta$  and three configurations  $x, y$  and  $z$  such that  $H_\theta(x) = H_\theta(y) = z$ .*



## Proposition

$P(H) = "H \text{ is injective}"$ . Then  $\mathcal{L}_P$  is a  $\zeta$ -rational language.

$$\{\theta \in \Theta : \exists x \neq y \in A^{\mathbb{Z}}, H_{\theta}(x) = H_{\theta}(y)\} =$$
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is a  $\zeta$ -rational language then its complementary  $\mathcal{L}_P$  is also  $\zeta$ -rational.

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## Definition

- $H$  is *sensitive* iff

$$\exists n \geq 0, \forall x \in A^{\mathbb{Z}}, \forall m \geq 0, \exists y \in A^{\mathbb{Z}}, x_{[-m,m]} = y_{[-m,m]} \\ \text{and } \exists k \geq 0, H^k(x)_{[-n,n]} \neq H^k(y)_{[-n,n]} .$$

- $x \in A^{\mathbb{Z}}$  is an *equicontinuity point* of  $H$  iff

$$\forall n \geq 0, \exists m \geq 0, \forall y \in A^{\mathbb{Z}}, x_{[-m,m]} = y_{[-m,m]} \Rightarrow \\ \forall k \geq 0, H^k(x)_{[-n,n]} = H^k(y)_{[-n,n]} .$$

- $H$  is *equicontinuous* iff all its points are equicontinuity points

# Definitions

- $(A, +, \cdot)$  = finite commutative ring
- $f$  linear iff  $\forall u \in A^{2r+1}, f(u) = \sum_{i=0}^{2r} \lambda_i \cdot u_i$
- $H_\theta$  linear iff  $\theta_i$  linear  $\forall i$

## Proposition

*H linear iff*

$$\forall x, y \in A^{\mathbb{Z}}, \forall a \in A, H(a \cdot x + y) = a \cdot H(x) + H(y)$$

## Proposition

*Linear  $\nu$ -CA are either sensitive or equicontinuous*

## Definition (Wall)

A *right-wall* is any element  $\psi \in \mathcal{R}^*$  of length  $n \geq r$  such that, for all word  $v \in A^r$ ,

$$\begin{aligned}u_{\psi}(v)_0 &= 0^n \\u_{\psi}(v)_1 &= h_{\psi}(0^r u_{\psi}(v)_0 v) \\u_{\psi}(v)_{k+1} &= h_{\psi}(0^r u_{\psi}(v)_k 0^r) \text{ for } k > 1\end{aligned}$$

verifies  $\forall k \in \mathbb{N}, (u_{\psi}(v)_k)_{[0, r-1]} = 0^r$ . *Left-walls* are defined similarly.

# Walls

Fixed	Application of $h_{\psi}$	Fixed
$0^r$	$0^n = u_{\psi}(v)_0$	$v$
$0^r$	$u_{\psi}(v)_1$	$0^r$
$0^r$	$u_{\psi}(v)_2$	$0^r$
$\vdots$	$\vdots$	$\vdots$
$0^r$	$u_{\psi}(v)_k$	$0^r$
$\vdots$	$\vdots$	$\vdots$

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$\vdots$	$\vdots$	$\vdots$		$\vdots$
$0^r$	$0^r$	$u_{\psi}(v)_k$		$0^r$
$\vdots$	$\vdots$	$\vdots$		$\vdots$

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## Proposition

*$H_\theta$  sensitive iff one of the two following conditions holds*

- 1**  $\exists n \in \mathbb{N}$  such that for all integer  $m \geq n + r$ ,  $\theta_{[n+1,m]}$  is not a right-wall.
- 2**  $\exists n \in \mathbb{N}$  such that for all integer  $m \leq -n - r$ ,  $\theta_{[m,-n-1]}$  is not a left-wall.



# Case of the radius 1

$$f(a, b, c) = \lambda_f^- . a + \tilde{\lambda}_f . b + \lambda_f^+ . c$$

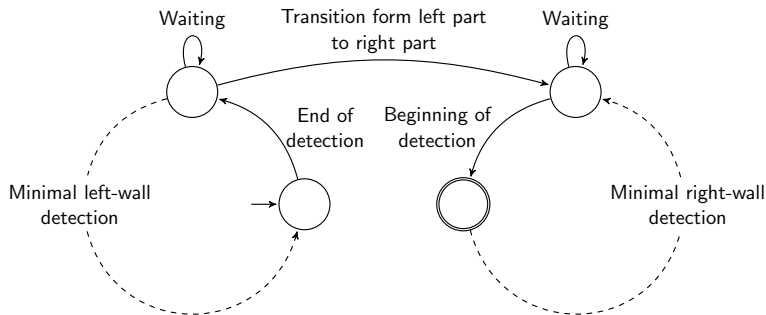
## Proposition

- 1  $\psi$  is a right-wall if and only if  $\prod_{i=0}^{n-1} \lambda_{\psi_i}^+ = 0$ .
- 2  $\psi$  is a left-wall if and only if  $\prod_{i=0}^{n-1} \lambda_{\psi_i}^- = 0$ .

# Case of the radius 1

## Proposition

$P(H) = "H \text{ is equicontinuous}"$ . Then  $\mathcal{L}_P$  is a  $\zeta$ -rational language.



# Conclusions

- Complexity of properties according to the classes of languages they involve.
- Characterizing the equicontinuity for any radius and/or non-commutative rings.
- Exploring more in-depth classes of bi-infinite languages.

Thanks for your attention!