

Universal Time-symmetric Number-Conserving Cellular Automaton

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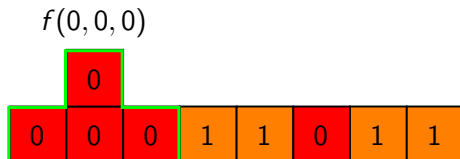
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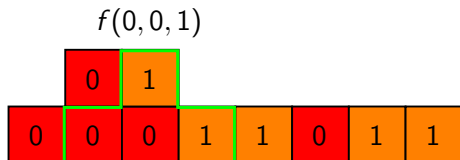
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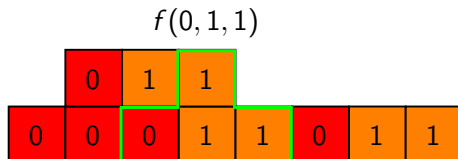


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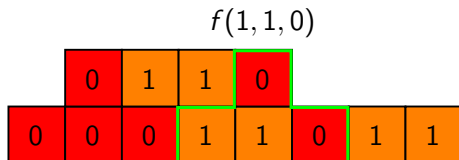


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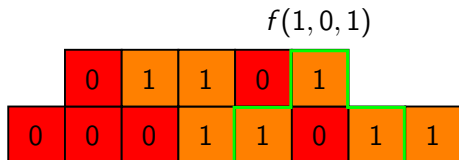


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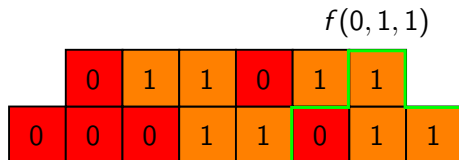


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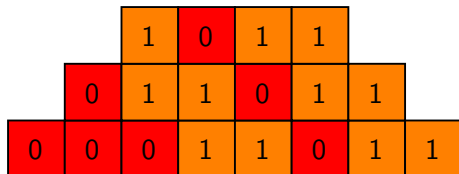


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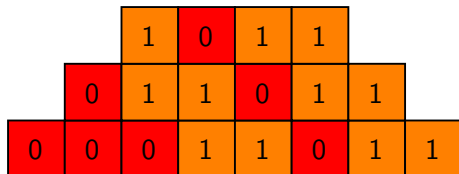


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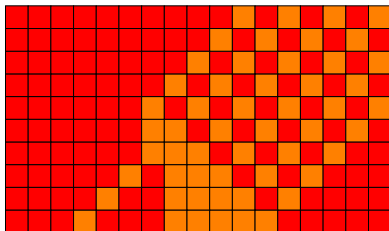
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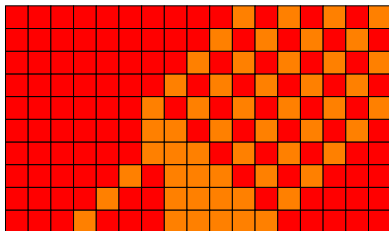


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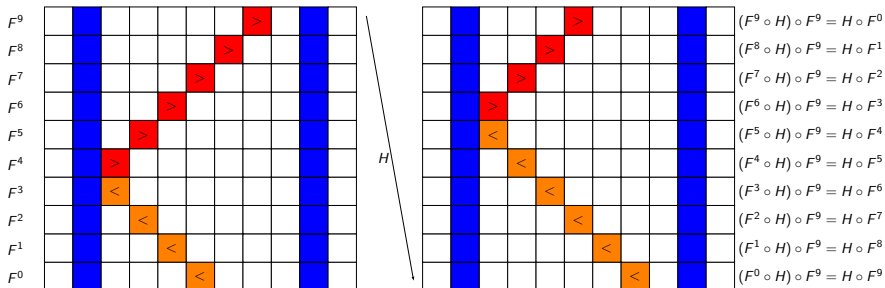
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Problem

Even if $Q \subset \mathbb{Z}$, we cannot talk about Number conservation in Q^2 .

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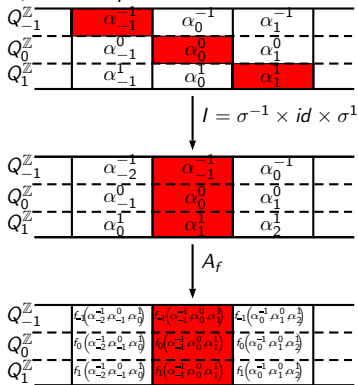
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Partitioned CA

$F \in \text{End}(Q^{\mathbb{Z}})$ with $Q = Q_{n_1} \times \dots \times Q_{n_m}$ is a **partitioned CA** if it is a composition of an autarkic CA A_f with local function f and $I := \sigma^{n_1} \times \dots \times \sigma^{n_m}$, i.e., $F = A_f \circ I$



Proposition

A partitioned CA is reversible (RPCA) if and only if f is bijective.

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Theorem

Given a RNCCA $F \in \text{End}(\{0, \dots, s - 1\}^{\mathbb{Z}})$ with neighborhood of size n



There exists $\tilde{F} \in \text{End}(\{0, \dots, s^2 - 1\}^{\mathbb{Z}})$ a TSNCCA that simulates F .

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Corollary

There exists a NCTSCA Turing universal.

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Given a reversible CA F (partitioned)(neighborhood of size n)



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Is another extension of Morita's work possible?

Question

Given a reversible TSCA F (partitioned)(neighborhood of size n)



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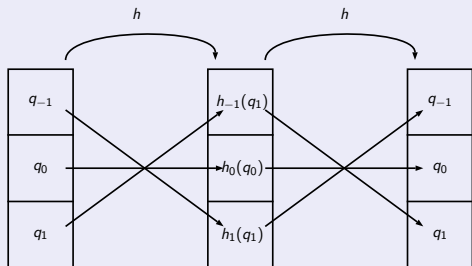
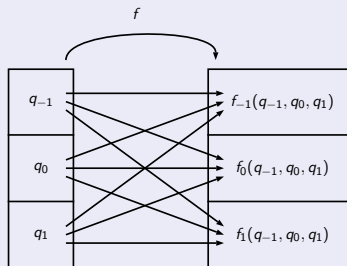
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i.e. if F is ITSCA then the Morita's simulation preserves the TS.

Thanks