

# Solutions for Selected Exercises

Solutions for selected exercises in the following book are given below.

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**Solution 1.1.** Figure 10.1 shows the evolution process of a toad.

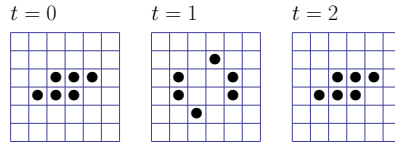


Fig. 10.1 Evolution process of a *toad* in GoL.

**Solution 1.2.** Let  $Q = \{0, 1\}$  be the set of states of the Fredkin's CA. Let  $\alpha^n$  denote the configuration at time  $n$  (hence  $\alpha^n$  is a function  $\mathbb{Z}^2 \rightarrow Q$ ). Then, the state transition of the cell at  $(x, y) \in \mathbb{Z}^2$  by the local function of Fredkin's CA is expressed by the following formula, where  $\oplus$  denotes the mod 2 addition.

$$\alpha^{n+1}(x, y) = \alpha^n(x, y + 1) \oplus \alpha^n(x + 1, y) \oplus \alpha^n(x, y - 1) \oplus \alpha^n(x - 1, y) \quad (\text{i})$$

Applying (i) repeatedly, we have the equation (ii), since  $z \oplus z = 0$  holds for

any  $z \in \{0, 1\}$ .

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \alpha^{n+2}(x, y) \\
 &= \alpha^n(x, y+2) \oplus \alpha^n(x+1, y+1) \oplus \alpha^n(x, y) \oplus \alpha^n(x-1, y+1) \\
 & \quad \oplus \alpha^n(x+1, y+1) \oplus \alpha^n(x+2, y) \oplus \alpha^n(x+1, y-1) \oplus \alpha^n(x, y) \\
 & \quad \oplus \alpha^n(x, y) \oplus \alpha^n(x+1, y-1) \oplus \alpha^n(x, y-2) \oplus \alpha^n(x-1, y-1) \\
 & \quad \oplus \alpha^n(x-1, y+1) \oplus \alpha^n(x, y) \oplus \alpha^n(x-1, y-1) \oplus \alpha^n(x-2, y) \\
 &= \alpha^n(x, y+2) \oplus \alpha^n(x+2, y) \oplus \alpha^n(x, y-2) \oplus \alpha^n(x-2, y) \quad (\text{ii})
 \end{aligned}$$

Applying (ii) repeatedly, and so on, we obtain the formula (iii) for each  $m \in \{1, 2, \dots\}$ .

$$\alpha^{n+2^m}(x, y) = \alpha^n(x, y+2^m) \oplus \alpha^n(x+2^m, y) \oplus \alpha^n(x, y-2^m) \oplus \alpha^n(x-2^m, y) \quad (\text{iii})$$

By (iii), we can see that if  $2^m$  is larger than the diameter (*i.e.*, maximum of the height and the width) of the initial pattern, then four replicated pattern appear at time  $2^m$ .

It is also easy to see that at time

$$n = 2^{m_1} + 2^{m_2} \dots + 2^{m_k}$$

such that  $m_1 > m_2 > \dots > m_k$  and  $2^{m_k}$  is larger than the diameter of the initial pattern,  $4^k$  copies of the pattern appear.

**Solution 1.3.** (omitted)

**Solution 1.4.** (omitted)

**Solution 2.1.** (1) Figure 10.2 shows its evolution process. Two copies of a space-moving pattern of period 3 appear, and they move opposite directions. Hence, it is diameter-growing.

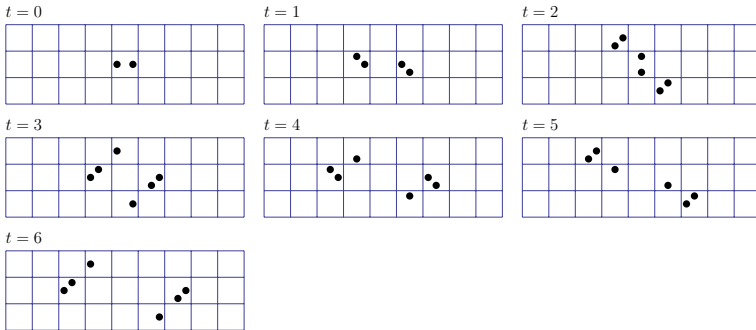


Fig. 10.2 Evolution process of a 2-dot configuration in ESPCA-0945df.

(2) Figure 10.3 shows its evolution process. A space-moving pattern of period 3, and a periodic pattern of period 22 appear. Since the former moves rightward, it is diameter-growing as a whole.

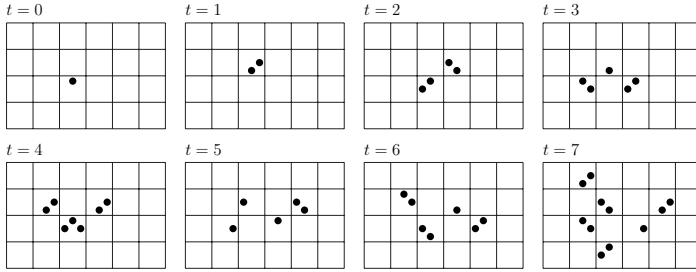


Fig. 10.3 Evolution process of a 1-dot configuration in ESPCA-0945df.

**Solution 2.2.** (1) Figure 10.4 shows its evolution process. It is a periodic configuration of period 8.

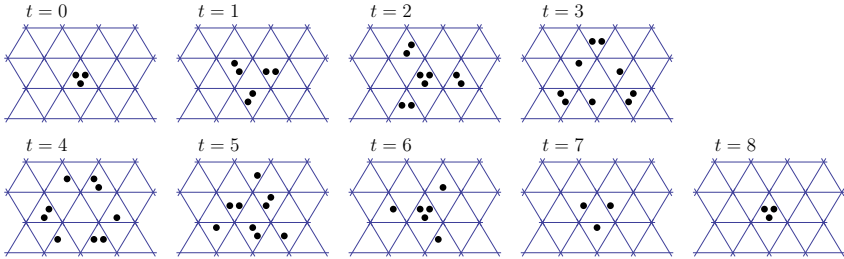


Fig. 10.4 Evolution process of a 3-dot configuration in ETPCA-0347.

(2) The configuration rotates clockwise by  $60^\circ$  in 7 steps (Fig. 10.5). Hence, it is a periodic configuration of period 42.

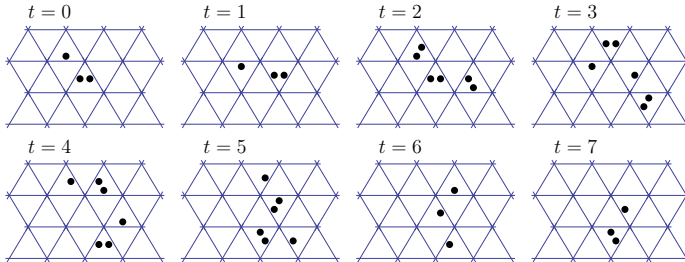


Fig. 10.5 Evolution process of a rotating configuration in ETPCA-0347.

**Solution 2.3.** *Proof.* Assume, on the contrary, negation of the statement holds:

$$\exists d > 0 \forall t > 0 (\text{diam}((F^{-1})^t(\alpha)) \leq d)$$

It means that there are infinitely many instances of  $t > 0$  such that  $\text{diam}((F^{-1})^t(\alpha)) \leq d$ . We can see that the total number of different configurations whose diameter is bounded by  $d$  is finite except their translations. Therefore, there exist  $0 < t_1 < t_2$  such that  $(F^{-1})^{t_1}(\alpha) = (F^{-1})^{t_2}(\alpha)$ , or  $(F^{-1})^{t_1}(\alpha)$  is a translation of  $(F^{-1})^{t_2}(\alpha)$ . In the former case  $(F^{-1})^{t_2}(\alpha)$  is periodic, while in the latter case it is space-moving. Hence,  $\alpha = (F^{-1})^0(\alpha)$  is also periodic or space-moving, and thus not diameter-growing, a contradiction. Therefore, the statement holds.

**Solution 2.4.** Figure 2.30 (a) is a periodic configuration of period 34. Figure 2.30 (b) is a diameter-growing one with a chaotic core that generates an unbounded number of space-moving patterns of period 3. The above solution is found in the following pattern file:

`Cx_Exercise_2_4_ESPCA-0945df.rle`

**Solution 2.5.** Figure 2.31 (a) is a periodic configuration of period 24. Figure 2.31 (b) generates two space-moving patterns, which move to the east and the south-east directions. Hence, it is a diameter-growing one. The above solution is found in the following pattern file:

`Cx_Exercise_2_5_ETPCA_0347.rle`

**Solution 3.1.**

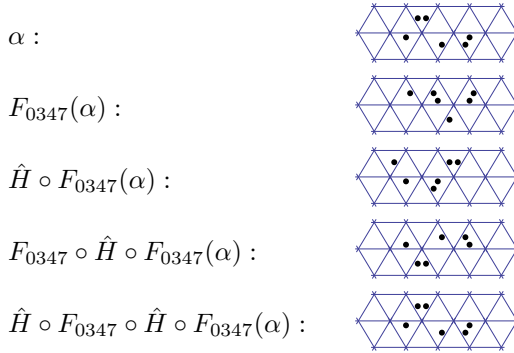


Fig. 10.6 T-symmetry under  $\hat{H}$  in reversible ETPCA-0347.

**Solution 3.2.** (1) Let  $\hat{f}$  denote the local function of ESPCA-073a2f. Then,

$$\hat{f}(0, 0, 0, 0) = (0, 0, 0, 0), \quad \hat{f}(0, 0, 1, 0) = (0, 1, 1, 1),$$

$$\hat{f}(0, 0, 1, 1) = (0, 0, 1, 1), \quad \hat{f}(1, 0, 1, 0) = (1, 0, 1, 0),$$

$$\hat{f}(0, 1, 1, 1) = (0, 0, 1, 0), \quad \hat{f}(1, 1, 1, 1) = (1, 1, 1, 1).$$

Therefore,

$$\hat{f}^{-1}(0, 0, 0, 0) = (0, 0, 0, 0), \quad \hat{f}^{-1}(0, 1, 1, 1) = (0, 0, 1, 0),$$

$$\hat{f}^{-1}(0, 0, 1, 1) = (0, 0, 1, 1), \quad \hat{f}^{-1}(1, 0, 1, 0) = (1, 0, 1, 0),$$

$$\hat{f}^{-1}(0, 0, 1, 0) = (0, 1, 1, 1), \quad \hat{f}^{-1}(1, 1, 1, 1) = (1, 1, 1, 1).$$

Hence,  $\hat{f} = \hat{f}^{-1}$ . Thus, by Theorem 3.1, ESPCA-073a2f is T-symmetric under  $H^{\text{rev}}$ .

(2) A solution is found in the following two pattern files:

Cx\_Exercise\_3\_2\_ESPCA-073a2f\_T-symmetry.rle

Cx\_Exercise\_3\_2\_ESPCA-08cadf\_Hrev.rle

**Solution 3.3.** A solution is found in the following pattern file:

Cx\_Exercise\_3\_2\_ESPCA-073a2f\_T-symmetry.rle

**Solution 4.1.** (1)  $T_{\text{add}} = (Q_{\text{add}}, \{0, 1\}, q_0, \{q_f\}, \delta_{\text{add}})$ , where

$$Q_{\text{add}} = \{ q_0, q_1, q_2, q_3, q_4, q_5, q_6, q_7, q_f \},$$

$$\delta_{\text{add}} = \{ [q_0, 0, 0, R, q_1], [q_1, 0, 0, L, q_7], [q_1, 1, 0, R, q_2], [q_2, 0, 0, R, q_3], \\ [q_2, 1, 1, R, q_2], [q_3, 0, 1, R, q_4], [q_3, 1, 1, R, q_3], [q_4, 0, 0, L, q_5], \\ [q_5, 0, 0, L, q_6], [q_5, 1, 1, L, q_5], [q_6, 0, 1, R, q_1], [q_6, 1, 1, L, q_6], \\ [q_7, 0, 0, N, q_f], [q_7, 1, 1, L, q_7] \}.$$

See also the solution of Exercise 4.8 given as a pattern file for Golly.

(2)  $T_{\text{mult}} = (Q_{\text{mult}}, \{0, 1\}, p_0, \{p_f\}, \delta_{\text{mult}})$ , where

$$Q_{\text{mult}} = \{ p_0, p_1, p_2, p_3, p_4, p_f, q_0, q_1, q_2, q_3, q_4, q_5, q_6, q_7 \},$$

$$\delta_{\text{mult}} = \{ [p_0, 0, 0, R, p_1], [p_1, 0, 0, L, p_4], [p_1, 1, 0, R, p_2], [p_2, 0, 0, R, q_1], \\ [p_2, 1, 1, R, p_2], [p_3, 0, 1, R, p_1], [p_3, 1, 1, L, p_3], [p_4, 0, 0, N, p_f], \\ [p_4, 1, 1, L, p_4], [q_1, 0, 0, L, q_7], [q_1, 1, 0, R, q_2], [q_2, 0, 0, R, q_3], \\ [q_2, 1, 1, R, q_2], [q_3, 0, 1, R, q_4], [q_3, 1, 1, R, q_3], [q_4, 0, 0, L, q_5], \\ [q_5, 0, 0, L, q_6], [q_5, 1, 1, L, q_5], [q_6, 0, 1, R, q_1], [q_6, 1, 1, L, q_6], \\ [q_7, 0, 0, L, p_3], [q_7, 1, 1, L, q_7] \}.$$

See also the solution of Exercise 4.8 given as a pattern file for Golly.

**Solution 4.2.** (1)  $M_{\text{half}} = (Q_{\text{half}}, 2, \delta_{\text{half}}, h_0, \{h_f\})$ , where

$$\begin{aligned} Q_{\text{half}} &= \{ h_0, h_1, h_2, h_3, h_4, h_5, h_6, h_7, h_8, h_f \}, \\ \delta_{\text{half}} &= \{ [h_0, 2, Z, h_1], [h_1, 1, Z, h_f], [h_1, 1, P, h_2], [h_2, 1, -, h_3], \\ &\quad [h_3, 1, Z, h_4], [h_3, 1, P, h_6], [h_4, 1, +, h_5], [h_5, 1, P, h_f], \\ &\quad [h_6, 1, -, h_7], [h_7, 2, +, h_8], [h_8, 2, P, h_1] \}. \end{aligned}$$

See also the solution of Exercise 4.9 given as a pattern file for Golly.

(2)  $P_{\text{half}}$  is shown in Fig. 10.7.

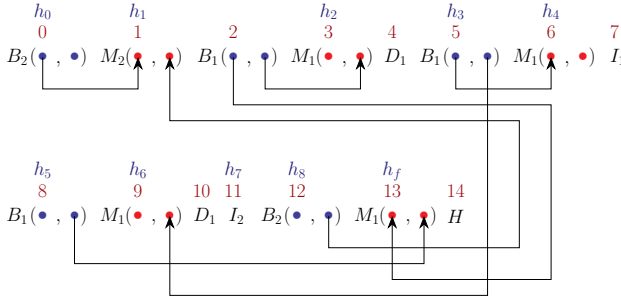


Fig. 10.7 WFP  $P_{\text{half}}$ .

See also the solution of Exercise 4.9 given as a pattern file for Golly.

**Solution 4.3.** See the solution of Exercise 4.10 given as a pattern file for Golly.

**Solution 4.4.** See the solution of Exercise 4.10 given as a pattern file for Golly.

**Solution 4.5.** See the solution of Exercise 4.10 given as a pattern file for Golly.

**Solution 4.6.** See the solution of Exercise 4.10 given as a pattern file for Golly.

**Solution 4.7.** See the solution of Exercise 4.10 given as a pattern file for Golly.

**Solution 4.8.** A solution is found in the following pattern file:

`Cx_Exercise_4_08_RTMs.rle`

**Solution 4.9.** A solution is found in the following pattern file:

`Cx_Exercise_4_09_RCMs.rle`

**Solution 4.10.** A solution is found in the following pattern file:

Cx\_Exercise\_4\_10\_RLEMs.rle

**Solution 5.1.** Figure 10.8 shows the evolution process.

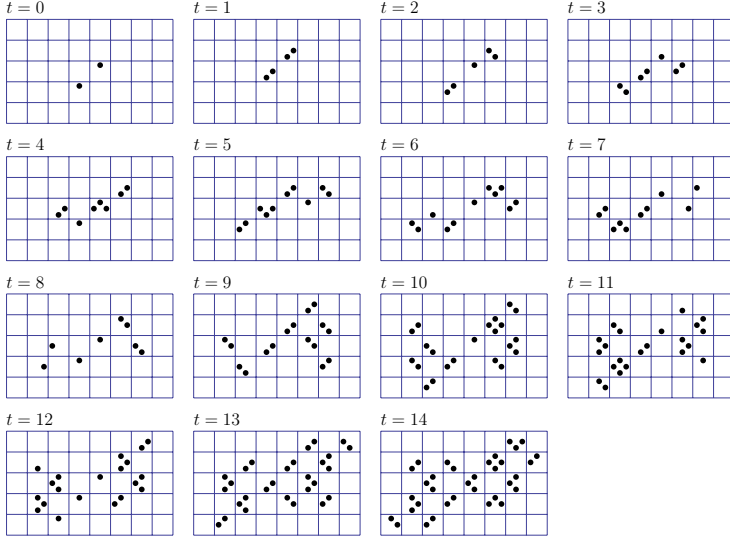


Fig. 10.8 Evolution process of the periodic pattern of period 60 in ESPCA-0945df.

**Solution 5.2.** First note that ESPCA-05f050 is defined by  $(a_1, a_2, a_3, a_4) = (0, 1, 0, 1)$  (see Table 5.1). Let  $f$  be the local function of ESPCA-05f050. If  $f(t, r, b, l) = (t', r', b', l')$  for  $(t, r, b, l), (t', r', b', l') \in \{0, 1\}^4$ , then the following holds, where  $\oplus$  denotes the mod 2 addition.

$$t' = r \oplus l, \quad r' = b \oplus t, \quad b' = l \oplus r, \quad l' = t \oplus b$$

Let  $\alpha^n$  denote the configuration at time  $n$  (it is a function  $\mathbb{Z}^2 \rightarrow \{0, 1\}^4$ ). Thus,  $\alpha^n(x, y)$  is the state of the cell at  $(x, y) \in \mathbb{Z}^2$ . Let  $\alpha_t^n(x, y)$ ,  $\alpha_r^n(x, y)$ ,  $\alpha_b^n(x, y)$ , and  $\alpha_l^n(x, y)$  denote the states of the top, right, bottom, and left parts of the cell at  $(x, y)$ , respectively. Then the following holds.

$$\begin{aligned} \alpha_t^{n+1}(x, y) &= \alpha_r^n(x-1, y) \oplus \alpha_l^n(x+1, y) \\ \alpha_r^{n+1}(x, y) &= \alpha_b^n(x, y+1) \oplus \alpha_t^n(x, y-1) \\ \alpha_b^{n+1}(x, y) &= \alpha_l^n(x+1, y) \oplus \alpha_r^n(x-1, y) \\ \alpha_l^{n+1}(x, y) &= \alpha_t^n(x, y-1) \oplus \alpha_b^n(x, y+1) \end{aligned}$$

Using the above equations, we have the following.

$$\begin{aligned}
\alpha_t^{n+2}(x, y) &= \alpha_r^{n+1}(x-1, y) \oplus \alpha_l^{n+1}(x+1, y) \\
&= \alpha_b^n(x-1, y+1) \oplus \alpha_t^n(x-1, y-1) \oplus \alpha_t^n(x+1, y-1) \oplus \alpha_b^n(x+1, y+1) \\
\alpha_r^{n+2}(x, y) &= \alpha_b^{n+1}(x, y+1) \oplus \alpha_t^{n+1}(x, y-1) \\
&= \alpha_l^n(x+1, y+1) \oplus \alpha_r^n(x-1, y+1) \oplus \alpha_r^n(x-1, y-1) \oplus \alpha_l^n(x+1, y-1) \\
\alpha_b^{n+2}(x, y) &= \alpha_l^{n+1}(x+1, y) \oplus \alpha_r^{n+1}(x-1, y) \\
&= \alpha_t^n(x+1, y-1) \oplus \alpha_b^n(x+1, y+1) \oplus \alpha_b^n(x-1, y+1) \oplus \alpha_t^n(x-1, y-1) \\
\alpha_l^{n+2}(x, y) &= \alpha_t^{n+1}(x, y-1) \oplus \alpha_b^{n+1}(x, y+1) \\
&= \alpha_r^n(x-1, y-1) \oplus \alpha_l^n(x+1, y-1) \oplus \alpha_l^n(x+1, y+1) \oplus \alpha_r^n(x-1, y+1)
\end{aligned}$$

Again, using the above equations, we have the following.

$$\begin{aligned}
\alpha_t^{n+4}(x, y) &= \alpha_b^{n+2}(x-1, y+1) \oplus \alpha_t^{n+2}(x-1, y-1) \oplus \\
&\quad \alpha_t^{n+2}(x+1, y-1) \oplus \alpha_b^{n+2}(x+1, y+1) \\
&= \alpha_t^n(x, y) \oplus \alpha_b^n(x, y+2) \oplus \alpha_b^n(x-2, y+2) \oplus \alpha_t^n(x-2, y) \oplus \\
&\quad \alpha_b^n(x-2, y) \oplus \alpha_t^n(x-2, y-2) \oplus \alpha_t^n(x, y-2) \oplus \alpha_b^n(x, y) \oplus \\
&\quad \alpha_b^n(x, y) \oplus \alpha_t^n(x, y-2) \oplus \alpha_t^n(x+2, y-2) \oplus \alpha_b^n(x+2, y) \oplus \\
&\quad \alpha_t^n(x+2, y) \oplus \alpha_b^n(x+2, y+2) \oplus \alpha_b^n(x, y+2) \oplus \alpha_t^n(x, y) \oplus \\
&= \alpha_b^n(x-2, y+2) \oplus \alpha_t^n(x-2, y-2) \oplus \alpha_t^n(x+2, y-2) \oplus \alpha_b^n(x+2, y+2)
\end{aligned}$$

The above equation is derived from the following fact. From the local function of ESPCA-05f050, we can see that the configurations at time  $n > 0$  consist only of the states  $(0,0,0,0)$ ,  $(0,1,0,1)$ ,  $(1,0,1,0)$  and  $(1,1,1,1)$ , as well as the initial configuration. Therefore, in the above formula, for example,  $\alpha_t^n(x-2, y) = \alpha_b^n(x-2, y)$  holds, and they are cancelled by  $\oplus$ .

We can derive the following equations in a similar way.

$$\begin{aligned}
\alpha_r^{n+4}(x, y) &= \alpha_l^n(x+2, y+2) \oplus \alpha_r^n(x-2, y+2) \oplus \alpha_r^n(x-2, y-2) \oplus \alpha_l^n(x+2, y-2) \\
\alpha_b^{n+4}(x, y) &= \alpha_t^n(x+2, y-2) \oplus \alpha_b^n(x+2, y+2) \oplus \alpha_b^n(x-2, y+2) \oplus \alpha_t^n(x-2, y-2) \\
\alpha_l^{n+4}(x, y) &= \alpha_r^n(x-2, y-2) \oplus \alpha_l^n(x+2, y-2) \oplus \alpha_l^n(x+2, y+2) \oplus \alpha_r^n(x-2, y+2)
\end{aligned}$$

Repeating this procedure, we have the following for each  $m \in \{1, 2, \dots\}$ .

$$\begin{aligned}
\alpha_t^{n+2^{m+1}}(x, y) &= \alpha_b^n(x-2^m, y+2^m) \oplus \alpha_t^n(x-2^m, y-2^m) \oplus \\
&\quad \alpha_t^n(x+2^m, y-2^m) \oplus \alpha_b^n(x+2^m, y+2^m) \\
\alpha_r^{n+2^{m+1}}(x, y) &= \alpha_l^n(x+2^m, y+2^m) \oplus \alpha_r^n(x-2^m, y+2^m) \oplus \\
&\quad \alpha_r^n(x-2^m, y-2^m) \oplus \alpha_l^n(x+2^m, y-2^m) \\
\alpha_b^{n+2^{m+1}}(x, y) &= \alpha_t^n(x+2^m, y-2^m) \oplus \alpha_b^n(x+2^m, y+2^m) \oplus \\
&\quad \alpha_b^n(x-2^m, y+2^m) \oplus \alpha_t^n(x-2^m, y-2^m) \\
\alpha_l^{n+2^{m+1}}(x, y) &= \alpha_r^n(x-2^m, y-2^m) \oplus \alpha_l^n(x+2^m, y-2^m) \oplus \\
&\quad \alpha_l^n(x+2^m, y+2^m) \oplus \alpha_r^n(x-2^m, y+2^m)
\end{aligned}$$

By above, if  $2^m$  is larger than the size of the initial pattern, then four copies of it appear at time  $2^{m+1}$ . For example, if the initial pattern lies in the area  $0 < x < 2^m$  and  $0 < y < 2^m$ , then  $\alpha^0(x-2^m, y+2^m) = \alpha^0(x-2^m, y-2^m) = \alpha^0(x+2^m, y-2^m) = (0,0,0,0)$  for all  $x$  and  $y$  such that  $-2^m < x < 0$  and  $-2^m < y < 0$ . Thus, the following holds for



$-2^m < x < 0$  and  $-2^m < y < 0$ .

$$\begin{aligned}\alpha_t^{2^{m+1}}(x, y) &= \alpha_b^0(x + 2^m, y + 2^m) = \alpha_t^0(x + 2^m, y + 2^m) \\ \alpha_r^{2^{m+1}}(x, y) &= \alpha_l^0(x + 2^m, y + 2^m) = \alpha_r^0(x + 2^m, y + 2^m) \\ \alpha_b^{2^{m+1}}(x, y) &= \alpha_b^0(x + 2^m, y + 2^m) \\ \alpha_l^{2^{m+1}}(x, y) &= \alpha_l^0(x + 2^m, y + 2^m)\end{aligned}$$

Therefore, a copy of the pattern in the region  $0 < x < 2^m$  and  $0 < y < 2^m$  at time 0 appears in the region  $-2^m < x < 0$  and  $-2^m < y < 0$  (i.e., to the south-west direction from the original) at time  $2^{m+1}$ . By a similar argument, copies of the initial pattern also appear to the north-west, north-east and south-east directions.

**Solution 5.3.** (omitted)

**Solution 5.4.** A solution is found in the following pattern file:

Cx\_Exercise\_5\_4\_ETPCA-0347\_12w\_glider\_gun.rle

**Solution 6.1.** The process of a left-turn is shown in Fig. 10.9.

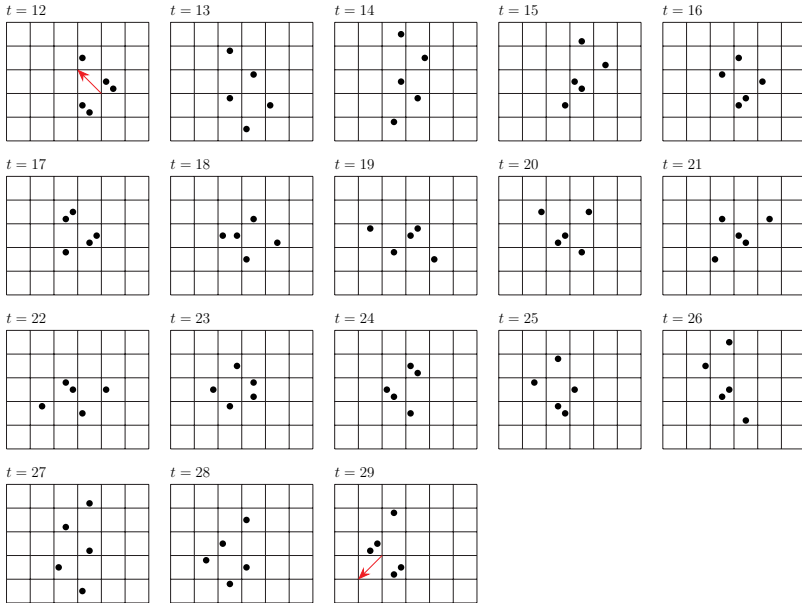


Fig. 10.9 Left-turn process of a glider-12 by a rotor in ESPCA-01c5ef.

**Solution 6.2.** See the solution of Exercise 6.7 given as a pattern file for Golly.

**Solution 6.3.** See the solution of Exercise 6.8 given as a pattern file for Golly.

**Solution 6.4.** A solution is given in Fig. 10.10. Here, every delay element has a unit-time delay. An input should be given at  $t \equiv 0 \pmod{2}$ . See also the solution of Exercise 6.9 given as a pattern file for Golly.

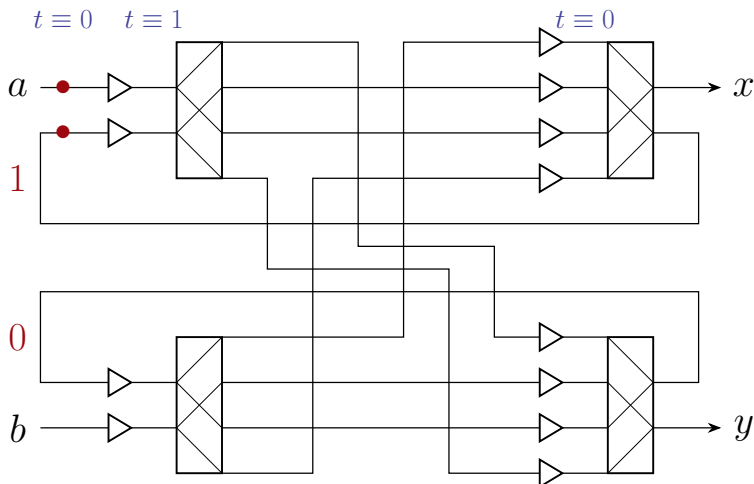


Fig. 10.10 RLEM 2-2 composed of I-gates,  $I^{-1}$ -gates, and delay elements. Here,  $t \equiv n$  means  $t$  and  $n$  are congruent modulo 2, and shows that signals can be at the position only when  $t \equiv n$ .

**Solution 6.5.** A solution is shown in Fig. 10.11. Here, a number in each delay element shows the delay time. An input should be given at  $t \equiv 0 \pmod{6}$ . See also the solution of Exercise 6.9 given as a pattern file for Golly.

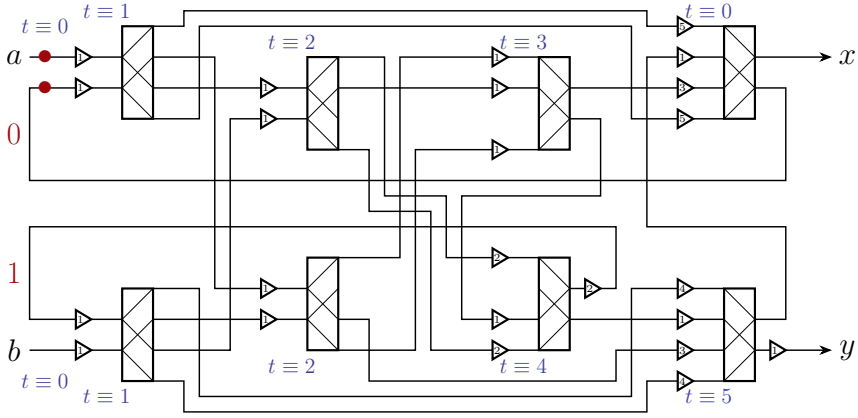


Fig. 10.11 RLEM 2-3 composed of I-gates,  $I^{-1}$ -gates, and delay elements. Here,  $t \equiv n$  means that  $t$  and  $n$  are congruent modulo 6.

Another solution: First, note that RLEM 2-3 is realized using only one RE as shown in Fig. 10.12. Therefore, a circuit for RLEM 2-3 is obtained by adding two feedback loops to the circuit of Fig. 6.36.

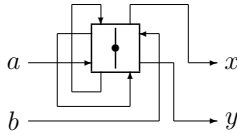


Fig. 10.12 RLEM 2-3 composed of an RE. This figure shows the state 0 of RLEM 2-3.

**Solution 6.6.** A solution is found in the following pattern file:

Cx\_Exercise\_6\_6\_ESPCA-01caef\_RTM\_square\_by\_RE.mc

**Solution 6.7.** A solution is found in the following pattern file:

Cx\_Exercise\_6\_7\_ESPCA-01c5ef\_RLEM\_2-2.rle

**Solution 6.8.** A solution is found in the following pattern file:

Cx\_Exercise\_6\_8\_ESPCA-01caef\_RLEM\_2-3.rle

**Solution 6.9.** A solution is found in the following pattern file:

Cx\_Exercise\_6\_9\_ESPCA-02c5df\_RLEM\_2-2\_2-3.rle

**Solution 7.1.** As shown in Fig. 10.13, the fin rotates around the block by  $120^\circ$  in 14 steps. Hence, it is a periodic pattern of period 42.

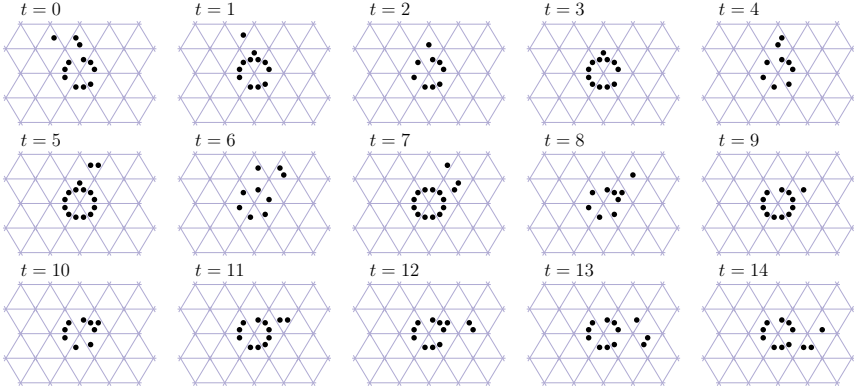


Fig. 10.13 Interaction of a fin and a block in ETPCA-0347.

**Solution 7.2.** The evolving process is given in Fig. 10.14.

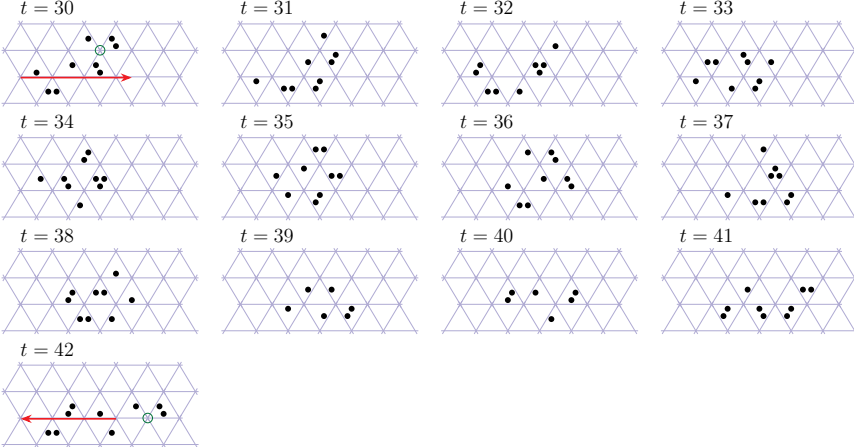


Fig. 10.14 Pushing process of a fin by a glider in ETPCA-0347.

**Solution 7.3.** A solution is shown in Fig. 10.15. See also the solution of Exercise 7.5 given as a pattern file for Golly.

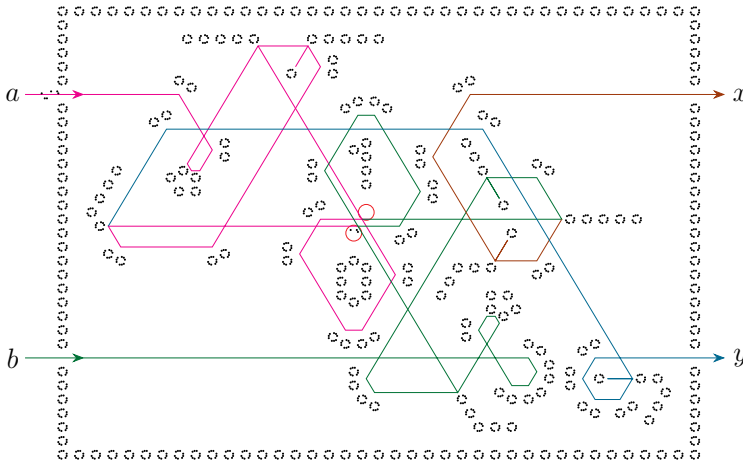


Fig. 10.15 RLEM 2-2 implemented in ETPCA-0347.

**Solution 7.4.** (omitted)

**Solution 7.5.** A solution is found in the following pattern file:

Cx\_Exercise\_7\_5\_ETPCA-0347\_RLEM\_2-2.rle

**Solution 8.1.** See the solution of Exercise 8.5 given as a pattern file for Golly.

**Solution 8.2.** (1) Figure 10.16 shows that it is a space-moving pattern.

(2)  $c/7$

(3) See the solution of Exercise 8.6 given as a pattern file for Golly.

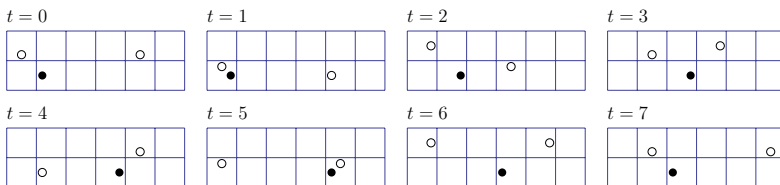


Fig. 10.16 Evolving process of a space-moving pattern in the SPCA  $P_3$ .

**Solution 8.3.**

- (1)  $3^3 \times 9^3 \times 81^{18} = 3 \times 81^{20}$   
 $= 443426488243037769948249630619149892803$
- (2)  $3! \times 6 \times 4 \times 2 \times 18! \times 4^{18}$   
 $= 126710718026674580911816704000$

**Solution 8.4.** See the solution of Exercise 8.7 given as a pattern file for Golly.

**Solution 8.5.** A solution is found in the following pattern file:

`Cx_Exercise_8_5_P3_B-turn.rle`

**Solution 8.6.** A solution is found in the following pattern file:

`Cx_Exercise_8_6_P3_Slow_space_moving.rle`

**Solution 8.7.** A solution is found in the following pattern file:

`Cx_Exercise_8_7_P3_RCM_half.rle`

**Solution 9.1.** Construct the following  $\text{RCM}(3)$   $M_{\text{loop}}$  in  $P_3$  using the  $\text{RCM}(3)$   $M_{\text{exp}}$  given in Example 8.2. If  $x \in \mathbb{N}$  is given in the first counter,  $M_{\text{loop}}$  first simulates  $M_{\text{exp}}$ , and writes  $2^x$  in the second counter. Next, it retraces the computing process backward. By this, the second counter is cleared, and the contents of the first counter becomes  $x$ . Then, repeats this procedure indefinitely. Therefore,  $M_{\text{loop}}$  is a periodic pattern in  $P_3$ . The pattern file `Cx_Exercise_9_1_P3_RCM_loop.rle` for Golly contained in [7] shows  $M_{\text{loop}}$  in  $P_3$ . From this pattern, we can see that if  $M_{\text{loop}}$  keeps a triplet  $(x_1, x_2, x_3)$  in its three counters, then the diameter of the pattern is  $615 + 2 \cdot \max\{x_1, x_2, x_3\}$ . Therefore, if  $x \in \mathbb{N}$  is given to  $M_{\text{loop}}$ ,  $d_{\min} = 615 + 2x$ , and  $d_{\max} = 615 + 2 \cdot 2^x$ . Therefore,  $d_{\max}/d_{\min} = (615 + 2 \cdot 2^x)/(615 + 2x)$ , and thus  $d_{\max}/d_{\min} > r$  holds for sufficiently large  $x$ .

**Solution 9.2** (omitted)