

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.

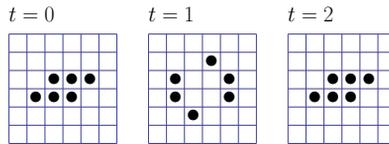


Fig. 10.1 Evolution process of a *toad* in GoL.

Solution 1.2. Let $Q = \{0, 1\}$ be the set of states of the Fredkin's CA. Let α^n denote the configuration at time n (hence α^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 $z \in \{0, 1\}$.

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

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

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

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.

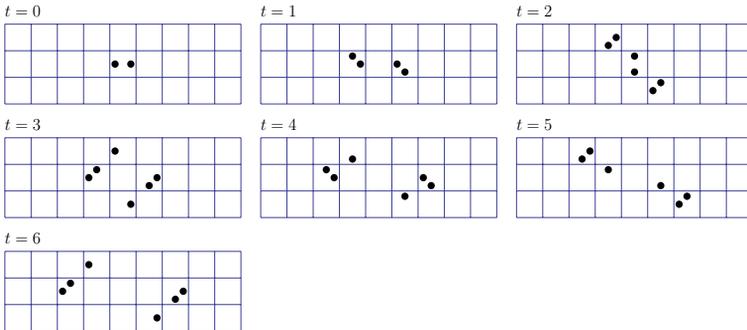


Fig. 10.2 Evolution process of a 2-dot configuration in ESPCA-0945df.

(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.

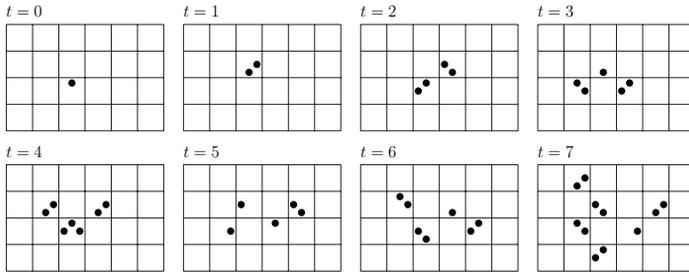


Fig. 10.3 Evolution process of a 1-dot configuration in ESPCA-0945df.

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

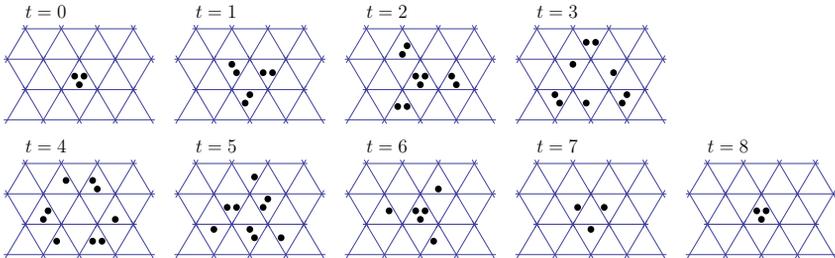


Fig. 10.4 Evolution process of a 3-dot configuration in ETPCA-0347.

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

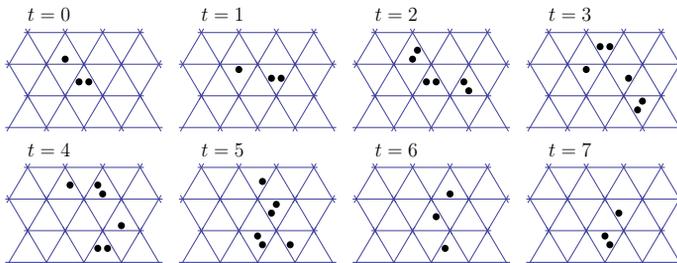


Fig. 10.5 Evolution process of a rotating configuration in ETPCA-0347.

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.

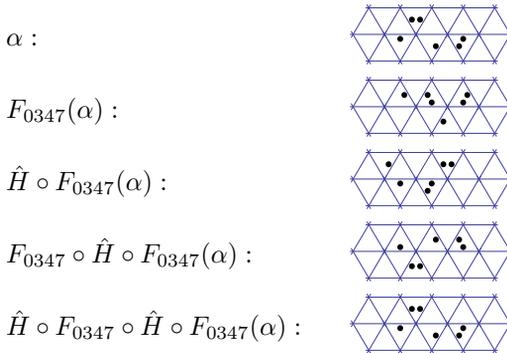


Fig. 10.6 T-symmetry under \hat{H} in reversible ETPCA-0347.

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^{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

$$Q_{\text{half}} = \{ h_0, h_1, h_2, h_3, h_4, h_5, h_6, h_7, h_8, h_f \},$$

$$\delta_{\text{half}} = \{ [h_0, 2, Z, h_1], [h_1, 1, Z, h_f], [h_1, 1, P, h_2], [h_2, 1, -, h_3],$$

$$[h_3, 1, Z, h_4], [h_3, 1, P, h_6], [h_4, 1, +, h_5], [h_5, 1, P, h_f],$$

$$[h_6, 1, -, h_7], [h_7, 2, +, h_8], [h_8, 2, P, h_1] \}.$$

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

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

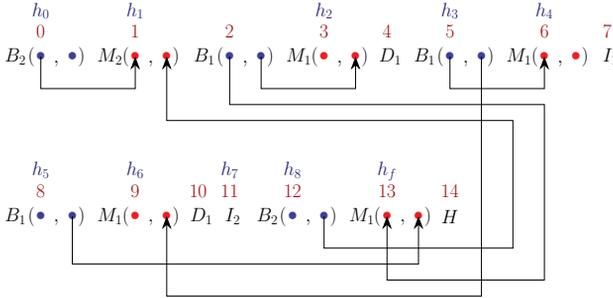


Fig. 10.7 WFP P_{half} .

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.

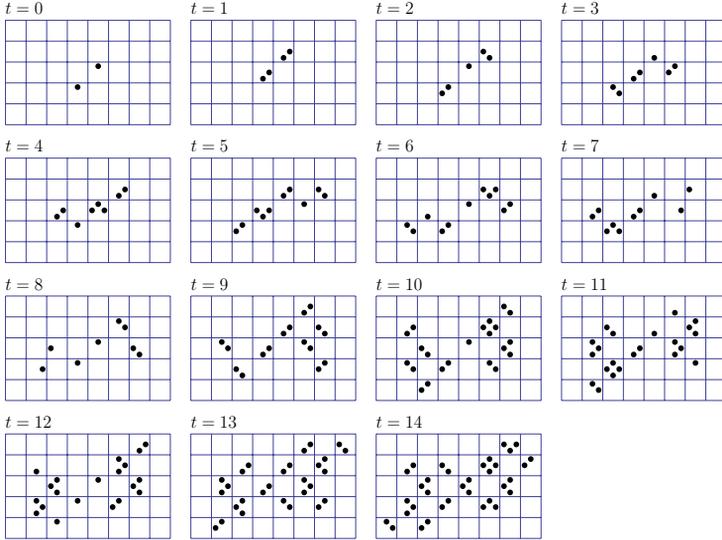


Fig. 10.8 Evolution process of the periodic pattern of period 60 in ESPCA-0945df.

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 α^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.

$$\begin{aligned}
\alpha_t^{n+2}(x, y) &= \alpha_r^{n+1}(x-1, y) \oplus \alpha_1^{n+1}(x+1, y) \\
&= \alpha_b^n(x-1, y+1) \oplus \alpha_t^n(x-1, y-1) \oplus \alpha_t^n(x+1, y-1) \oplus \alpha_b^n(x+1, y+1) \\
\alpha_r^{n+2}(x, y) &= \alpha_b^{n+1}(x, y+1) \oplus \alpha_t^{n+1}(x, y-1) \\
&= \alpha_t^n(x+1, y+1) \oplus \alpha_r^n(x-1, y+1) \oplus \alpha_r^n(x-1, y-1) \oplus \alpha_t^n(x+1, y-1) \\
\alpha_b^{n+2}(x, y) &= \alpha_1^{n+1}(x+1, y) \oplus \alpha_r^{n+1}(x-1, y) \\
&= \alpha_t^n(x+1, y-1) \oplus \alpha_b^n(x+1, y+1) \oplus \alpha_b^n(x-1, y+1) \oplus \alpha_t^n(x-1, y-1) \\
\alpha_1^{n+2}(x, y) &= \alpha_t^{n+1}(x, y-1) \oplus \alpha_b^{n+1}(x, y+1) \\
&= \alpha_r^n(x-1, y-1) \oplus \alpha_1^n(x+1, y-1) \oplus \alpha_1^n(x+1, y+1) \oplus \alpha_r^n(x-1, y+1)
\end{aligned}$$

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

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

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.

$$\begin{aligned}
\alpha_r^{n+4}(x, y) &= \alpha_1^n(x+2, y+2) \oplus \alpha_r^n(x-2, y+2) \oplus \alpha_r^n(x-2, y-2) \oplus \alpha_1^n(x+2, y-2) \\
\alpha_b^{n+4}(x, y) &= \alpha_t^n(x+2, y-2) \oplus \alpha_b^n(x+2, y+2) \oplus \alpha_b^n(x-2, y+2) \oplus \alpha_t^n(x-2, y-2) \\
\alpha_1^{n+4}(x, y) &= \alpha_r^n(x-2, y-2) \oplus \alpha_1^n(x+2, y-2) \oplus \alpha_1^n(x+2, y+2) \oplus \alpha_r^n(x-2, y+2)
\end{aligned}$$

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

$$\begin{aligned}
\alpha_t^{n+2^{m+1}}(x, y) &= \alpha_b^n(x-2^m, y+2^m) \oplus \alpha_t^n(x-2^m, y-2^m) \oplus \\
&\quad \alpha_t^n(x+2^m, y-2^m) \oplus \alpha_b^n(x+2^m, y+2^m) \\
\alpha_r^{n+2^{m+1}}(x, y) &= \alpha_1^n(x+2^m, y+2^m) \oplus \alpha_r^n(x-2^m, y+2^m) \oplus \\
&\quad \alpha_r^n(x-2^m, y-2^m) \oplus \alpha_1^n(x+2^m, y-2^m) \\
\alpha_b^{n+2^{m+1}}(x, y) &= \alpha_t^n(x+2^m, y-2^m) \oplus \alpha_b^n(x+2^m, y+2^m) \oplus \\
&\quad \alpha_b^n(x-2^m, y+2^m) \oplus \alpha_t^n(x-2^m, y-2^m) \\
\alpha_1^{n+2^{m+1}}(x, y) &= \alpha_r^n(x-2^m, y-2^m) \oplus \alpha_1^n(x+2^m, y-2^m) \oplus \\
&\quad \alpha_1^n(x+2^m, y+2^m) \oplus \alpha_r^n(x-2^m, y+2^m)
\end{aligned}$$

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.

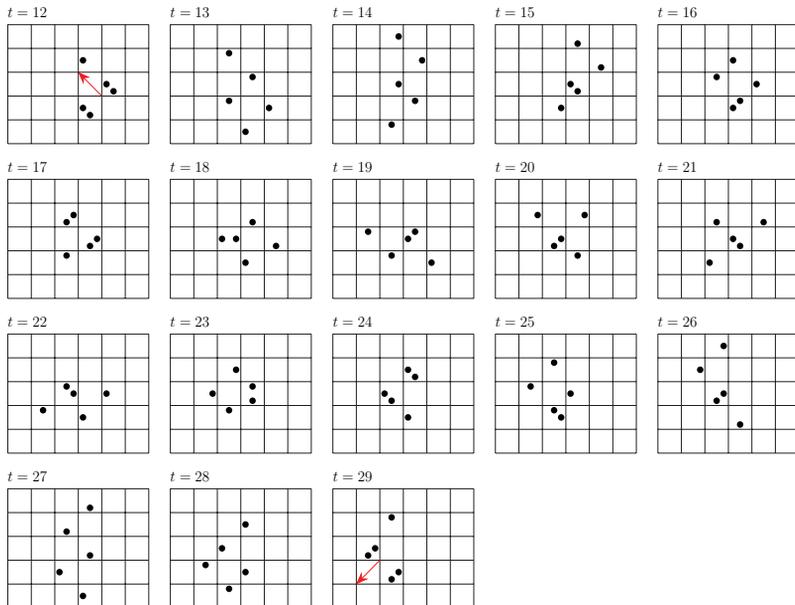


Fig. 10.9 Left-turn process of a glider-12 by a rotor in ESPCA-01c5ef.

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.

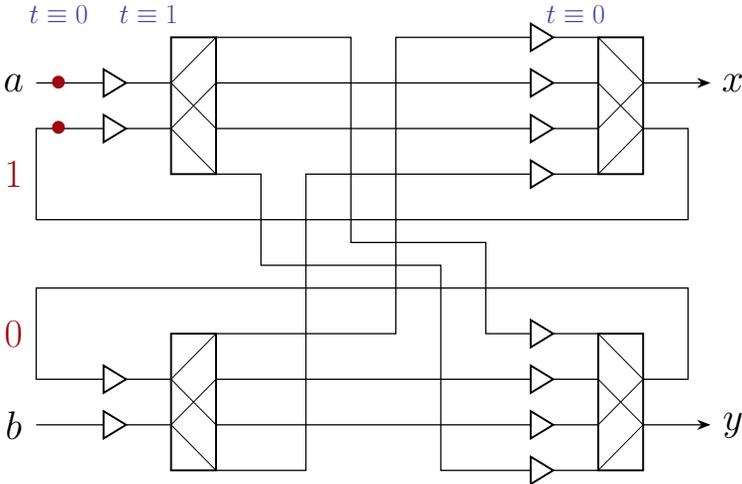


Fig. 10.10 RLEM 2-2 composed of I-gates, I^{-1} -gates, and delay elements. Here, $t \equiv n$ means t and n are congruent modulo 2, and shows that signals can be at the position only when $t \equiv n$.

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.

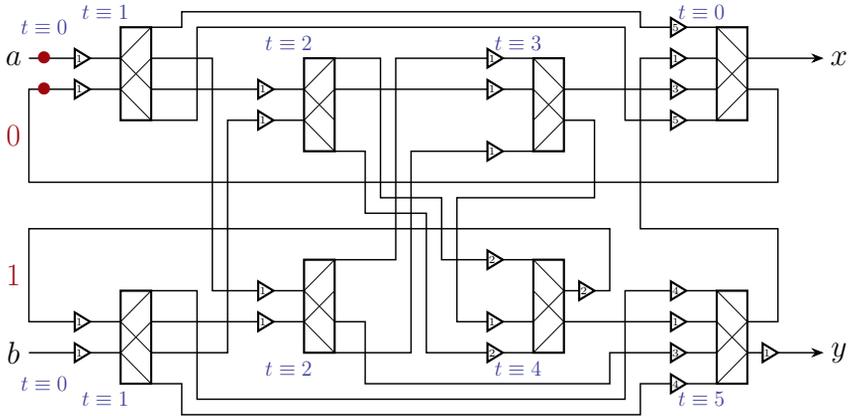


Fig. 10.11 RLEM 2-3 composed of I-gates, I^{-1} -gates, and delay elements. Here, $t \equiv n$ means that t and n are congruent modulo 6.

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.

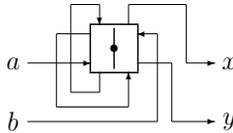


Fig. 10.12 RLEM 2-3 composed of an RE. This figure shows the state 0 of RLEM 2-3.

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° in 14 steps. Hence, it is a periodic pattern of period 42.

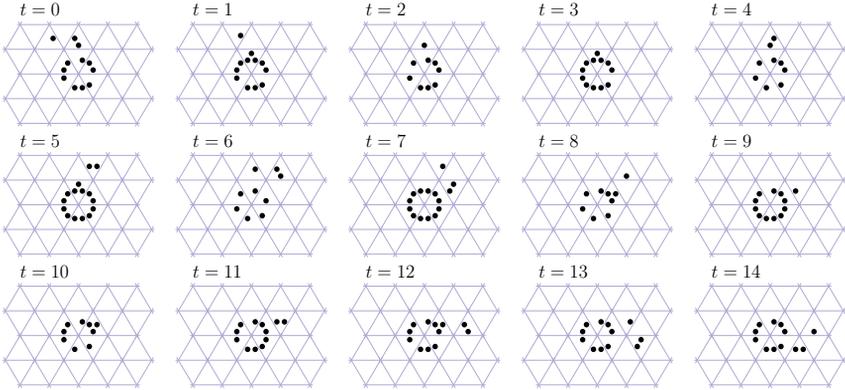


Fig. 10.13 Interaction of a fin and a block in ETPCA-0347.

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

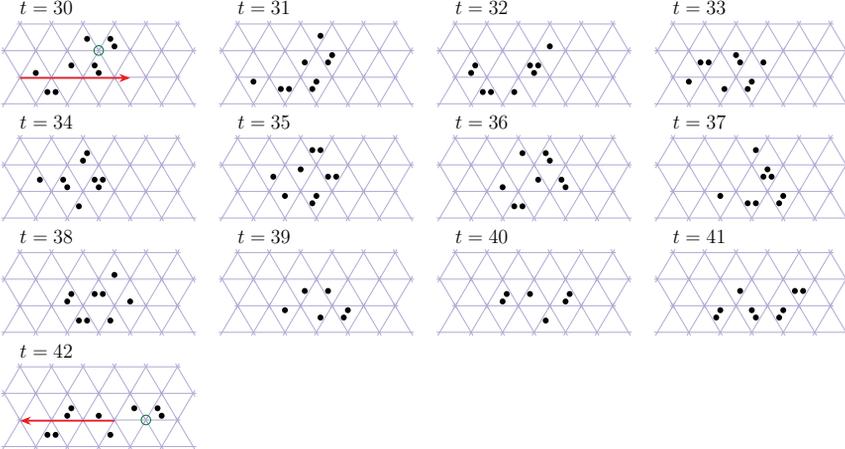


Fig. 10.14 Pushing process of a fin by a glider in ETPCA-0347.

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.

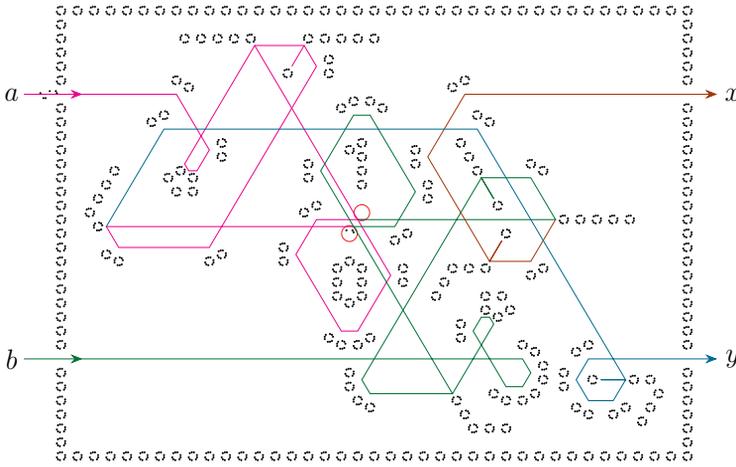


Fig. 10.15 RLEM 2-2 implemented in ETPCA-0347.

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.

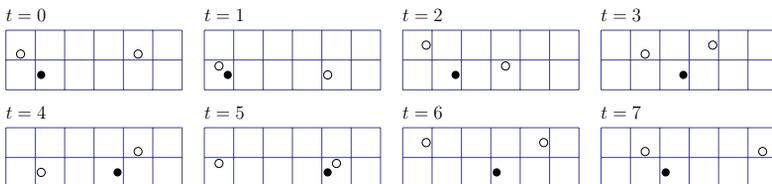


Fig. 10.16 Evolving process of a space-moving pattern in the SPCA P_3 .

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 RCM(3) M_{loop} in P_3 using the RCM(3) M_{exp} given in Example 8.2. If $x \in \mathbb{N}$ is given in the first counter, M_{loop} first simulates M_{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_{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_{loop} in P_3 . From this pattern, we can see that if M_{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_{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)