

1 Determination of NCCA in 2 dimensions

We want to consider number conserving CAs in 2 dimensions. There are different possibilities for the neighbourhood, both in size and in shape. To choose a criterium, I will determine all the rules for all the contiguous neighbourhoods of sizes 3, 4 and 5, where the cells are said to be contiguous if they share a side (**not** just a corner), and for each size, as much states as computationally possible will be considered. The size 2 is not interesting, for in that case the dynamics will be one dimensional, in diagonal, vertical or horizontal lines.

The first subsection (1.1) has the detail of the procedure which is also followed in the rest of this section:

- Listing of the possible shapes.
- Determination of a system of equations for each shape (necessary and sufficient condition).
- Listing the solutions, for each of the computationally feasible numbers of states (Q).
- Discarding of solutions, through considerations of **symmetry**, **conjugation**, and **real size** (the last point means the following: if the rule *ignores* some neighbours, then it may be a rule which has been found in a previous section).
- Description of the resulting set of rules.

1.1 Neighbourhood Size 3

The different possibilities of contiguous shapes for neighbourhood size 3 are shown in figure 1. Only the shape on the left is interesting (the other is one dimensional).

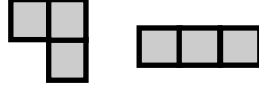


Fig. 1: Possible shapes for neighbourhoods of size 3

A first thing to notice (which is common to all the NCCAs), is that *all states must be quiescent*: $f\left(\begin{smallmatrix} i \\ i \end{smallmatrix}\right) = i$ $\forall i = 0, \dots, Q-1$. In particular, $f\left(\begin{smallmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{smallmatrix}\right) = 0$.

If a torus is filled with zeroes, but for a region with the configuration $\left(\begin{smallmatrix} a & b \\ \cdot & c \end{smallmatrix}\right)$, we see that any NC rule f must satisfy

$$a+b+c = f\left(\begin{smallmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ b & \cdot \end{smallmatrix}\right) + f\left(\begin{smallmatrix} b & 0 \\ \cdot & 0 \end{smallmatrix}\right) + f\left(\begin{smallmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ a & \cdot \end{smallmatrix}\right) + f\left(\begin{smallmatrix} a & b \\ \cdot & c \end{smallmatrix}\right) + f\left(\begin{smallmatrix} c & 0 \\ \cdot & 0 \end{smallmatrix}\right) + f\left(\begin{smallmatrix} 0 & a \\ \cdot & 0 \end{smallmatrix}\right) + f\left(\begin{smallmatrix} 0 & c \\ \cdot & 0 \end{smallmatrix}\right)$$

Putting isolated a and c on the torus, we have

$$a+c = f\left(\begin{smallmatrix} a & 0 \\ \cdot & 0 \end{smallmatrix}\right) + f\left(\begin{smallmatrix} 0 & a \\ \cdot & 0 \end{smallmatrix}\right) + f\left(\begin{smallmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ a & \cdot \end{smallmatrix}\right) + f\left(\begin{smallmatrix} c & 0 \\ \cdot & 0 \end{smallmatrix}\right) + f\left(\begin{smallmatrix} 0 & c \\ \cdot & 0 \end{smallmatrix}\right) + f\left(\begin{smallmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ \cdot & c \end{smallmatrix}\right)$$

which may be subtracted from the first equation, obtaining

$$b = f\left(\begin{smallmatrix} a & b \\ \cdot & c \end{smallmatrix}\right) + \left[f\left(\begin{smallmatrix} b & 0 \\ \cdot & 0 \end{smallmatrix}\right) - f\left(\begin{smallmatrix} a & 0 \\ \cdot & 0 \end{smallmatrix}\right) \right] + \left[f\left(\begin{smallmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ b & \cdot \end{smallmatrix}\right) - f\left(\begin{smallmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ a & \cdot \end{smallmatrix}\right) \right]$$

Now, this is a necessary *and sufficient* condition for f to be number conserving, since if it verifies the equation, then we can add on the two sides, over all the positions of the torus, and the sum of each of the terms in brackets will cancel, leaving only the sum of the states at one moment (on the left) and at the next moment (on the right).

Q	Rules	New rules
2	3	0
3	9	0
4	36	4
5	195	29

Tab. 1: Number of new rules with neighbourhood of size 3

We can determine all the number conserving rules f for these shapes, for a given number of states Q , by listing the solutions of the respective systems of equations, obtained in each case by replacing all the possible $a, b, c \in \{0, \dots, Q-1\}$.

The number of solutions for $Q = 2, 3, 4, 5$ is shown in table 1.1. Some solutions can be discarded: first of all, the ones that ignore one of the positions in the neighbourhood, since the dynamics will be one dimensional. We can also discard rules according to conjugation, where the conjugated rule of f is defined as $f'(a, b, c) = Q-1-f(Q-1-a, Q-1-b, Q-1-c)$. And finally, we can discard one of each pair of symmetric rules. What is left is what I call “new rules”.

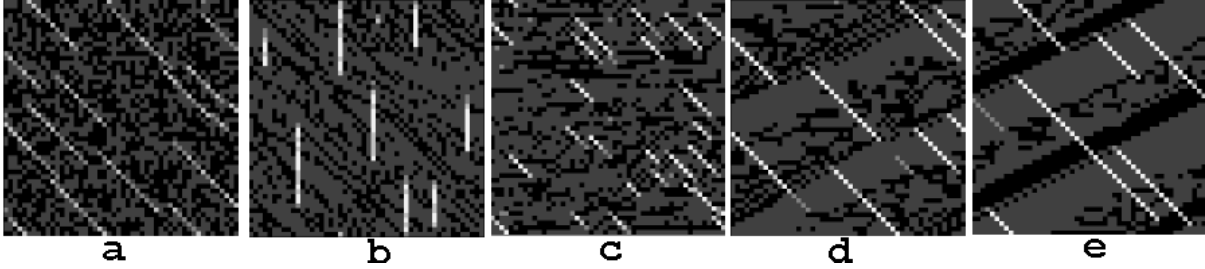


Fig. 2: Some rules, for neighbourhood size 3

Description of the rules

In most of the rules found here, the behavior after some number of iterations can be summarized as follows: at low density (20%), there is a nearly constant set of ones fixed or shifting on a background of zeroes. For high density (80%), $(Q-2)$'s shift or remain constant on a background of $(Q-1)$'s. In between, there works some cancelation law, that can lead to mixed shifts, fixed states or to chaotic aspect, on middle density (50%). For some rules, some lines with 0/1 can remain at high density, or lines of

1	0011112200111122001111220011112211222233112222331122223311222233
2	0001000111121112111211122223222311121112222322231112111222232223
3	0001111211121112000111121112111211122223222322231112222322232223
4	00110011112211221122112222332233001100111122112211221122112222332233

Tab. 2: New rules with neighbourhood of size 3, $Q = 4$

1	000000011001001012101101112111110111211201221221211122212200112012101212112
2	000000011001001012111111221111110111211201222222122111111220010010121111122
3	0000000110010010120010010121111101111211201211211201222222122112112012112112012
4	000000011001001012011011022111110111121120121221220222211122112001012122011022
5	000000011011011022101101112111000011122011022212101112111222122011122022101212112
6	00000001101101102211111112211100001112201102222211112211111122011011022211111122
7	00000001101101102200100101211100001112201102211200101222222122122122022112112012
8	00000001101101102201101102211100001112201102212201102222211122122011022122011022
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12	0000001110010011121111112221111111111211212222222200000011100100111211111222
13	00000001110110112011011022000111011012121201112202222111122212101112122011022
14	0000001110010011120110111221111111111211211212212212211100011111200111212201122
15	00000000000100100111111111111111110001121120012222211111111111211211222222222
16	000000000100100101111111111111111100011112101012122211122211111111121121222222222
17	00000011101101112210110121211100011112201112221210121200011111011122122101212212
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20	00000111011012122111122221110011112201212211100111100000111101101212211112222
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28	00000011111111222011011122000000111111112220110111221110001112221122212201122
29	0001011111122201102112200010111000010111011021122111010111222121222122021122

Tab. 4: New rules with neighbourhood of size 4, $Q = 3$, Shape 1

the rule, we have the following condition for the rule to be number conserving:

$$a+b+c+d = f\begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & a \end{pmatrix} + f\begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ a & b \end{pmatrix} + f\begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ b & 0 \end{pmatrix} + f\begin{pmatrix} 0 & a \\ 0 & c \end{pmatrix} + f\begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix} + f\begin{pmatrix} b & 0 \\ d & 0 \end{pmatrix} + f\begin{pmatrix} 0 & c \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} + f\begin{pmatrix} c & d \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} + f\begin{pmatrix} d & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

Now, letting some of the variables be zero, we get the following equations:

$$\begin{aligned} a+b &= f\begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & a \end{pmatrix} + f\begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ a & b \end{pmatrix} + f\begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ b & 0 \end{pmatrix} + f\begin{pmatrix} 0 & a \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} + f\begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} + f\begin{pmatrix} b & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \\ a+c &= f\begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & a \end{pmatrix} + f\begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ a & 0 \end{pmatrix} + f\begin{pmatrix} 0 & a \\ 0 & c \end{pmatrix} + f\begin{pmatrix} a & 0 \\ c & 0 \end{pmatrix} + f\begin{pmatrix} 0 & c \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} + f\begin{pmatrix} c & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \\ a &= f\begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & a \end{pmatrix} + f\begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ a & 0 \end{pmatrix} + f\begin{pmatrix} 0 & a \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} + f\begin{pmatrix} a & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

Combining them, we get a necessary and sufficient condition:

$$d = f\begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix} + \left[f\begin{pmatrix} b & 0 \\ d & 0 \end{pmatrix} - f\begin{pmatrix} a & 0 \\ c & 0 \end{pmatrix} \right] + \left[f\begin{pmatrix} c & d \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} - f\begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \right] + \left[f\begin{pmatrix} d & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} - f\begin{pmatrix} b & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \right] + \left[f\begin{pmatrix} a & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} - f\begin{pmatrix} c & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \right]$$

With (a, b, c, d) ranging over $\{0, \dots, Q-1\}^4$, we obtain for each Q an equation system, whose solutions I listed for $Q = 2$ and $Q = 3$. For $Q = 4$, there are already 27 degrees of freedom, and the listing of the solutions becomes computationally too hard. 4 rules were found for $Q = 2$ (identity and shifts), and 338 were found for $Q = 3$.

As before, I discarded rules according to conjugation, symmetry, and non-dependance from some cell of the neighbourhood (for not depending on any of the cells would restrict the rule to the cases of the previous section). 29 were the “new rules” found after this discarding, for $Q = 3$, and are shown in table 1.2

Shape 2

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31	00000001111111122212122200000001111111222121222000111220001112210021222
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33	00000012100100122001001122111111211212121221212122111111210010010111212122
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38	000001001000001001121221221111212121111212121212212211001121110011212101122
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Tab. 5: New rules with neighbourhood of size 4, $Q = 3$, Shape 2. The first 29 rules are not shown, since they coincide with those on table 1.2.

1	001001001001112112001112112112112112001112112001112112112112112001112112001112112
2	001001001112112112001112112001001001112112112001112112112112112112112112001112112
3	001001001001112112112112112112112112001112112112112112001001001001112112112112112

Tab. 6: New rules with neighbourhood of size 4, $Q = 3$, Shape 3

1	001001001001112112001112112112112112001112112001112112112112112001112112001112112
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6	001112112001001001001001001112112112112112112112001112112112112112112112112112112112

Tab. 7: New rules with neighbourhood of size 4, $Q = 3$, Shape 4

The equation is the same as before, and therefore we start with the same solutions. But now there is only one symmetry we can use to discard rules. I also discarded all the rules that ignore any of the 4 positions; ignoring a or d in $\begin{smallmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{smallmatrix}$ will produce new rules, but they will be taken into account with shape 4. The number of new rules, then, is 0 (again) for $Q = 2$, and 112 for $Q = 3$.

Shape 3

Now the necessary condition is

$$a+b+c+d = \begin{aligned} & f\begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ a & & \end{pmatrix} + f\begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ & b & \end{pmatrix} + f\begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ & & c \end{pmatrix} + f\begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & a \\ & & \end{pmatrix} + f\begin{pmatrix} 0 & a & b \\ & & \end{pmatrix} + f\begin{pmatrix} a & b & c \\ & & \end{pmatrix} \\ & + f\begin{pmatrix} b & c & 0 \\ & & \end{pmatrix} + f\begin{pmatrix} c & 0 & 0 \\ & & \end{pmatrix} + f\begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & d \\ & & \end{pmatrix} + f\begin{pmatrix} 0 & d & 0 \\ & & \end{pmatrix} + f\begin{pmatrix} d & 0 & 0 \\ & & \end{pmatrix} \end{aligned} \quad (1)$$

which in turns leads to

$$a+b = f\begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ & a & \end{pmatrix} + f\begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ & & b \end{pmatrix} + f\begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & a \\ & & \end{pmatrix} + f\begin{pmatrix} 0 & a & b \\ & & \end{pmatrix} + f\begin{pmatrix} a & b & 0 \\ & & \end{pmatrix} + f\begin{pmatrix} b & 0 & 0 \\ & & \end{pmatrix} \quad (2)$$

$$d = f\begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & d \\ & & \end{pmatrix} + f\begin{pmatrix} 0 & d & 0 \\ & & \end{pmatrix} + f\begin{pmatrix} d & 0 & 0 \\ & & \end{pmatrix} + f\begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ & & d \end{pmatrix} \quad (3)$$

and with (1)-(2)-(3) we get the necessary and sufficient condition

$$c = f\begin{pmatrix} a & b & c \\ & & d \end{pmatrix} + \left[f\begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ & & c \end{pmatrix} - f\begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ & & d \end{pmatrix} \right] + \left[f\begin{pmatrix} b & c & 0 \\ & & \end{pmatrix} - f\begin{pmatrix} a & b & 0 \\ & & \end{pmatrix} \right] + \left[f\begin{pmatrix} c & 0 & 0 \\ & & \end{pmatrix} - f\begin{pmatrix} b & 0 & 0 \\ & & \end{pmatrix} \right]$$

We found 6 solutions for $Q = 2$, and 163 for $Q = 3$. Then I proceeded to discard all the rules that didn't consider a , c or d in $f\begin{pmatrix} a & b & c \\ & & d \end{pmatrix}$; ignoring b was allowed (for the resulting shape hasn't been considered before). Conjugation, and (horizontal) symmetry were also used to discard. No rule survived for $Q = 2$, and only 3 did for $Q = 3$.

For this equation, it was possible to list the solutions for $Q = 4$, since there were "only" 18 degrees of freedom. I don't list them here, nor did I include them in the applet, but I have the list; they are a few thousands.

Shape 4

Equation and solutions are the same as for shape 3. Now we can't use symmetry to discard. With respect to the names $\begin{smallmatrix} a & b & c \\ & & d \end{smallmatrix}$, I discarded the rules that ignored a , d , or that ignored $\{b, c\}$ (for, in that case, the dynamics will be one dimensional, on one or two lines wrapped around the torus). After discarding, no one rule was left for $Q = 2$, and 6 did for $Q = 3$.

Description of the rules

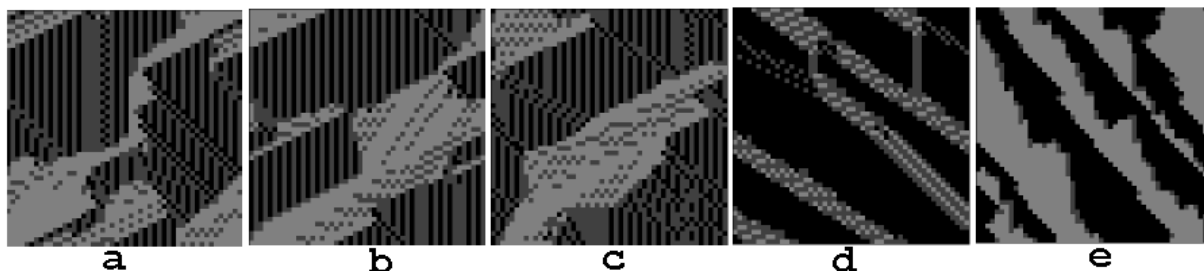


Fig. 4: Some rules, for neighbourhood size 4, shape 1

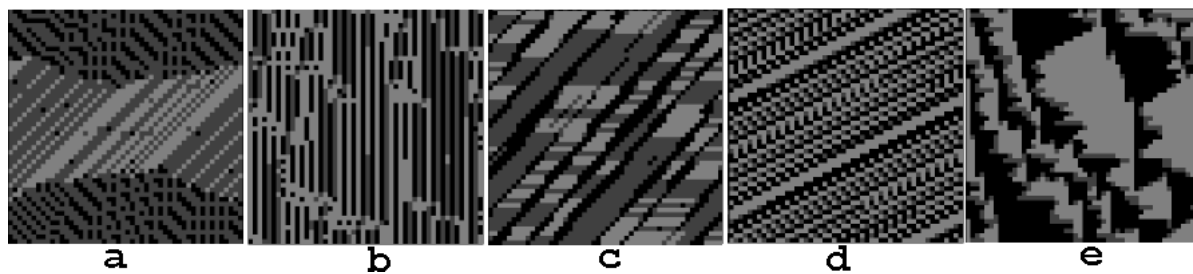


Fig. 5: Some rules, for neighbourhood size 4, shape 2

Q	Shape 1	Shape 2	Shape 3	Shape 4
2	$4 \rightarrow 0$	$4 \rightarrow 0$	$6 \rightarrow 0$	$6 \rightarrow 0$
3	$338 \rightarrow 29$	$338 \rightarrow 112$	$163 \rightarrow 3$	$163 \rightarrow 6$
4	?	?	$97983 \rightarrow 2247$	$97983 \rightarrow 4227$

Tab. 8: Number of rules and new rules for the different shapes, with neighbourhood size 4.

There are too much rules here; let's consider the rules with $Q = 3$. Starting with shape 1, some rules are found to be similar to those of the previous section (orthogonal shifts, canceling with different effects for middle densities). The new phenomenon is the appearance of cluster, which may have a fixed form, or change it all the time (figure 4a-b-c are different moments of a same cluster, for rule 2), shifting in some direction, usually with speed 1/2 (in figure 4d, which corresponds to rule 6, the stripe shifts down with that speed). Figure 4e corresponds to rule 21. Some typical cases for shape 2 are given in figure 5, for rules 14, 49, 57, 63, and 71 (a number of rules gives patterns that look random, and are not worth printing, though a movement can be perceived while looking at them running). The few rules found for shapes 3 and 4 are all of the kind "superposition of shifts".

1.3 Neighbourhood Size 5

The possible shapes are shown in figure 6. The following equations give the necessary and sufficient conditions for the respective shapes (in some cases, one equation works for two shapes).

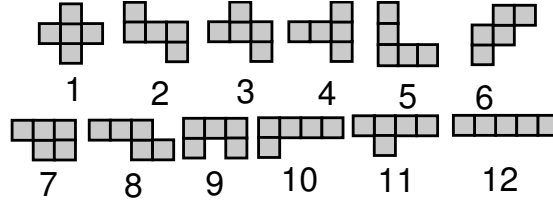


Fig. 6: Possible shapes for neighbourhoods of size 5

For shapes 1 and 2:

$$\begin{aligned}
 f\left(\begin{array}{ccc} a \\ b & c & d \\ & e & \end{array}\right) &= c + \left[f\left(\begin{array}{ccc} 0 \\ b & c & 0 \\ & 0 & 0 \end{array}\right) - f\left(\begin{array}{ccc} 0 \\ c & d & 0 \end{array}\right) \right] + \left[f\left(\begin{array}{ccc} a \\ 0 & c & 0 \\ & 0 & 0 \end{array}\right) - f\left(\begin{array}{ccc} c \\ 0 & c & 0 \end{array}\right) \right] \\
 &+ \left[f\left(\begin{array}{ccc} a \\ 0 & 0 & d \\ & 0 & e \end{array}\right) - f\left(\begin{array}{ccc} b \\ 0 & 0 & e \end{array}\right) \right] + \left[f\left(\begin{array}{ccc} 0 \\ 0 & 0 & d \\ & 0 & e \end{array}\right) - f\left(\begin{array}{ccc} 0 \\ 0 & 0 & a \end{array}\right) \right] + \left[f\left(\begin{array}{ccc} b \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{array}\right) - f\left(\begin{array}{ccc} a \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{array}\right) \right] + \left[f\left(\begin{array}{ccc} 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{array}\right) - f\left(\begin{array}{ccc} 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{array}\right) \right] \\
 &+ \left[f\left(\begin{array}{ccc} 0 \\ 0 & 0 & e \end{array}\right) - f\left(\begin{array}{ccc} 0 \\ 0 & 0 & d \end{array}\right) \right] + \left[f\left(\begin{array}{ccc} 0 \\ 0 & 0 & a \end{array}\right) - f\left(\begin{array}{ccc} 0 \\ 0 & 0 & c \end{array}\right) \right] + \left[f\left(\begin{array}{ccc} 0 \\ 0 & c & 0 \end{array}\right) + f\left(\begin{array}{ccc} 0 \\ 0 & d & 0 \end{array}\right) - 2f\left(\begin{array}{ccc} 0 \\ 0 & c & 0 \end{array}\right) \right]
 \end{aligned}$$

For shape 3:

$$\begin{aligned}
 f\left(\begin{array}{ccc} a \\ b & c & d \\ & e & \end{array}\right) &= c + \left[f\left(\begin{array}{ccc} 0 \\ b & c & 0 \\ & 0 & 0 \end{array}\right) - f\left(\begin{array}{ccc} 0 \\ c & d & 0 \end{array}\right) \right] + \left[f\left(\begin{array}{ccc} a \\ 0 & 0 & d \\ & 0 & e \end{array}\right) - f\left(\begin{array}{ccc} c \\ 0 & 0 & e \end{array}\right) \right] + \left[f\left(\begin{array}{ccc} 0 \\ 0 & 0 & d \\ & 0 & e \end{array}\right) - f\left(\begin{array}{ccc} 0 \\ 0 & 0 & a \end{array}\right) \right] \\
 &+ \left[f\left(\begin{array}{ccc} 0 \\ 0 & 0 & a \end{array}\right) - f\left(\begin{array}{ccc} 0 \\ 0 & 0 & d \end{array}\right) \right] + \left[f\left(\begin{array}{ccc} 0 \\ 0 & d & 0 \end{array}\right) - f\left(\begin{array}{ccc} 0 \\ 0 & c & 0 \end{array}\right) \right] + \left[f\left(\begin{array}{ccc} 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{array}\right) - f\left(\begin{array}{ccc} 0 \\ 0 & 0 & c \end{array}\right) \right]
 \end{aligned}$$

Q	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11
2	7→0	7→0	7→0	9→0	9→0	11→1	11→2	11→2	7→0	23→0	23→0
3	492→62	492→149	690→97	471→36	415→23	?→?	?→?	?→?	630→27	?→?	?→?

Tab. 9: Number of rules and new rules for the different shapes, with neighbourhood size 5.

For shape 4:

$$f\left(\begin{array}{ccc} b & c & a \\ & & d \\ & & e \end{array}\right) = a + \left[f\left(\begin{array}{ccc} b & c & 0 \\ & & d \\ & & e \end{array}\right) - f\left(\begin{array}{ccc} c & d & 0 \\ & & e \end{array}\right) \right] + \left[f\left(\begin{array}{ccc} 0 & 0 & d \\ & & e \end{array}\right) - f\left(\begin{array}{ccc} 0 & 0 & a \\ & & d \end{array}\right) \right] \\ + \left[f\left(\begin{array}{ccc} 0 & d & 0 \\ & & e \end{array}\right) - f\left(\begin{array}{ccc} 0 & a & 0 \\ & & d \end{array}\right) \right] + \left[f\left(\begin{array}{ccc} 0 & 0 & d \\ & & e \end{array}\right) - f\left(\begin{array}{ccc} 0 & 0 & a \\ & & d \end{array}\right) \right] + \left[f\left(\begin{array}{ccc} c & 0 & 0 \\ & & d \end{array}\right) - f\left(\begin{array}{ccc} a & 0 & 0 \\ & & d \end{array}\right) \right]$$

For shape 5:

$$f\left(\begin{array}{ccc} a & b & c \\ & & d \\ & & e \end{array}\right) = c + \left[f\left(\begin{array}{ccc} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ & & d \\ & & e \end{array}\right) - f\left(\begin{array}{ccc} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ & & c \\ & & d \end{array}\right) \right] + \left[f\left(\begin{array}{ccc} a & b & 0 \\ & & d \\ & & e \end{array}\right) - f\left(\begin{array}{ccc} b & c & 0 \\ & & d \\ & & e \end{array}\right) \right] \\ + \left[f\left(\begin{array}{ccc} b & 0 & 0 \\ & & d \\ & & e \end{array}\right) - f\left(\begin{array}{ccc} c & 0 & 0 \\ & & d \\ & & e \end{array}\right) \right] + \left[f\left(\begin{array}{ccc} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ & & d \\ & & e \end{array}\right) - f\left(\begin{array}{ccc} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ & & c \\ & & d \end{array}\right) \right]$$

For shape 6:

$$f\left(\begin{array}{ccc} c & a & b \\ & & d \\ & & e \end{array}\right) = e + \left[f\left(\begin{array}{ccc} 0 & a & b \\ & & d \\ & & e \end{array}\right) - f\left(\begin{array}{ccc} 0 & c & d \\ & & e \end{array}\right) \right] + \left[f\left(\begin{array}{ccc} c & a & 0 \\ & & d \\ & & e \end{array}\right) - f\left(\begin{array}{ccc} c & d & 0 \\ & & e \end{array}\right) \right] \\ + \left[f\left(\begin{array}{ccc} 0 & 0 & d \\ & & e \end{array}\right) - f\left(\begin{array}{ccc} 0 & 0 & e \end{array}\right) \right] + \left[f\left(\begin{array}{ccc} d & 0 & 0 \\ & & e \end{array}\right) - f\left(\begin{array}{ccc} e & 0 & 0 \\ & & d \end{array}\right) \right] + \left[f\left(\begin{array}{ccc} c & 0 & 0 \\ & & d \end{array}\right) - f\left(\begin{array}{ccc} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ & & d \end{array}\right) \right]$$

For shapes 7 and 8:

$$f\left(\begin{array}{ccc} a & b & c \\ & & d \\ & & e \end{array}\right) = c + \left[f\left(\begin{array}{ccc} a & b & 0 \\ & & d \\ & & e \end{array}\right) - f\left(\begin{array}{ccc} b & c & 0 \\ & & d \\ & & e \end{array}\right) \right] + \left[f\left(\begin{array}{ccc} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ & & d \\ & & e \end{array}\right) - f\left(\begin{array}{ccc} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ & & b \\ & & c \end{array}\right) \right] \\ + \left[f\left(\begin{array}{ccc} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ & & d \\ & & e \end{array}\right) - f\left(\begin{array}{ccc} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ & & c \\ & & d \end{array}\right) \right] + \left[f\left(\begin{array}{ccc} b & 0 & 0 \\ & & d \\ & & e \end{array}\right) - f\left(\begin{array}{ccc} c & 0 & 0 \\ & & d \\ & & e \end{array}\right) \right] + \left[f\left(\begin{array}{ccc} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ & & d \\ & & e \end{array}\right) - f\left(\begin{array}{ccc} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ & & d \\ & & e \end{array}\right) \right]$$

For shape 9:

$$f\left(\begin{array}{ccc} a & b & c \\ & & d \\ & & e \end{array}\right) = c + \left[f\left(\begin{array}{ccc} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ & & d \\ & & e \end{array}\right) - f\left(\begin{array}{ccc} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ & & a \\ & & c \end{array}\right) \right] + \left[f\left(\begin{array}{ccc} a & b & 0 \\ & & d \\ & & e \end{array}\right) - f\left(\begin{array}{ccc} b & c & 0 \\ & & d \\ & & e \end{array}\right) \right] + \left[f\left(\begin{array}{ccc} 0 & 0 & c \\ & & d \\ & & e \end{array}\right) - f\left(\begin{array}{ccc} 0 & 0 & a \\ & & d \\ & & e \end{array}\right) \right] \\ + \left[f\left(\begin{array}{ccc} b & 0 & 0 \\ & & d \\ & & e \end{array}\right) - f\left(\begin{array}{ccc} c & 0 & 0 \\ & & d \\ & & e \end{array}\right) \right] + \left[f\left(\begin{array}{ccc} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ & & d \\ & & e \end{array}\right) - f\left(\begin{array}{ccc} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ & & a \\ & & c \end{array}\right) \right] + \left[f\left(\begin{array}{ccc} 0 & 0 & a \\ & & d \\ & & e \end{array}\right) - f\left(\begin{array}{ccc} 0 & 0 & c \\ & & d \\ & & e \end{array}\right) \right] + \left[f\left(\begin{array}{ccc} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ & & d \\ & & e \end{array}\right) - f\left(\begin{array}{ccc} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ & & d \\ & & e \end{array}\right) \right]$$

For shapes 10 and 11:

$$f\left(\begin{array}{ccc} a & b & c \\ & & d \\ & & e \end{array}\right) = d + \left[f\left(\begin{array}{ccc} a & b & c \\ & & d \\ & & e \end{array}\right) - f\left(\begin{array}{ccc} b & c & d \\ & & e \end{array}\right) \right] + \left[f\left(\begin{array}{ccc} b & c & 0 \\ & & d \\ & & e \end{array}\right) - f\left(\begin{array}{ccc} c & d & 0 \\ & & e \end{array}\right) \right] \\ + \left[f\left(\begin{array}{ccc} c & 0 & 0 \\ & & d \\ & & e \end{array}\right) - f\left(\begin{array}{ccc} d & 0 & 0 \\ & & e \end{array}\right) \right] + \left[f\left(\begin{array}{ccc} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ & & d \\ & & e \end{array}\right) - f\left(\begin{array}{ccc} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ & & d \\ & & e \end{array}\right) \right]$$

Description of the rules

The rules found for $Q = 2$, for shapes 6, 7 and 8, are almost constant, but for some transitions that produce stripes of the kind shown in figure 7a. For $Q = 3$, the main novelty, in relation to the rules of the previous sections, is the appearance of cluster that remain stable, with activity in their borders (7b). Another new behaviour is the presence of shifts in different directions: in 7c, the “dotted lines” above move to the right, while the triangle below moves to the left. In 7d, some lines shift in one direction and some in the other, and in 7e, the two block shift in opposite directions.

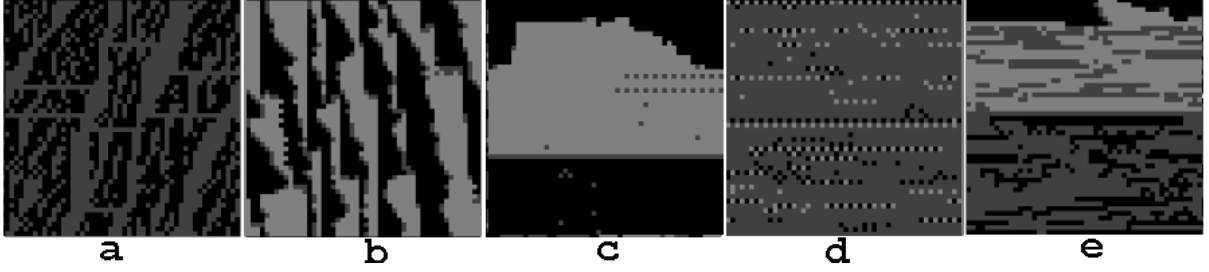


Fig. 7: Some rules, for neighbourhood size 5

1.4 General equation for rectangular neighbourhoods

Here I show how to write an equation of the style used before, for any rectangular neighbourhood, for any number of states.

Note that this implies the existence of a system of equations for any neighbourhood (of any shape): just take the equations for the rectangle that covers it, and add the equations to force the resulting rules to ignore the positions which are not part of the shape. This does **not** imply that for any shape, there should be a single expression which generates the whole system of equations, when the variables range over $0, \dots, Q - 1$. Nevertheless, that was the case for all the shapes considered in the previous sections, and I guess that it will be the case for any shape.

(I think it has to do with a symmetry that arises when you write the initial, necessary condition: to write the terms, you move the neighbourhood over a zone of the same shape which is filled with the variables; for each position of the neighbourhood over that zone, there will be a position where neighbourhood and zone are in the same relative positions, but with the roles inverted; the only case where these symmetry doesn't exist, is when the neighbourhood is exactly on the zone, and that's the term you want to conserve. I don't see it clearly, but it must be something like that.)

Let's consider a neighbourhood of n rows and m columns. As before, we take a torus filled with zeroes, but for a region with the matrix

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} a_{1,1} & \dots & a_{1,m} \\ \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ a_{n,1} & \dots & a_{n,m} \end{bmatrix}$$

Since we need to write a lot of matrices, which are all of them submatrices of A put in a corner of a matrix of size $n \times m$, the rest of which is filled with zeroes, we will use the notation $\overline{\begin{matrix} 2, 2; 2, 3 \\ n, 2; n, 7 \end{matrix}}$, for instance, to represent the image of the matrix

$$\begin{bmatrix} 0 & \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots & 0 \\ \vdots & & & \vdots & & \vdots \\ 0 & \dots & 0 & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ 0 & \dots & 0 & a_{2,2} & \dots & a_{2,7} \\ \vdots & & \vdots & \vdots & & \vdots \\ 0 & \dots & 0 & a_{n,2} & \dots & a_{n,7} \end{bmatrix}$$

or $\overline{n, 3; n, m}$, for the image of a matrix filled with zeroes but for the first row, which starts with $a_{n,3}, a_{n,4}, \dots, a_{n,m}$.

We start with the necessary condition:

$$\begin{aligned}
 \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^m a_{i,j} = & \begin{array}{cccccc}
 \frac{1,1}{1,1} & + \dots + & \frac{1,1;1,m}{1,1;1,m} & + \dots + & \frac{1,m}{1,m} \\
 + \frac{1,1}{2,1} & + \dots + & \frac{1,1;1,m}{2,1;2,m} & + \dots + & \frac{1,m}{2,m} \\
 \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots \\
 + \frac{1,1}{n,1} & + \dots + & \frac{1,1;1,m}{n,1;n,m} & + \dots + & \frac{1,m}{n,m} \\
 \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots \\
 + \frac{n-1,1}{n,1} & + \dots + & \frac{n-1,1;n-1,m}{n,1;n,m} & + \dots + & \frac{n-1,m}{n,m} \\
 + \frac{n,1}{n,1} & + \dots + & \frac{n,1;n,m}{n,1;n,m} & + \dots + & \frac{n,m}{n,m}
 \end{array} \tag{4}
 \end{aligned}$$

Now, taking $a_{1,j} = 0$ for all j , we have

$$\begin{aligned}
 \sum_{i=2}^n \sum_{j=1}^m a_{i,j} = & \begin{array}{cccccc}
 \frac{2,1}{2,1} & + \dots + & \frac{2,1;1,m}{2,1;1,m} & + \dots + & \frac{2,m}{2,m} \\
 + \frac{2,1}{3,1} & + \dots + & \frac{2,1;2,m}{3,1;3,m} & + \dots + & \frac{2,m}{3,m} \\
 \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots \\
 + \frac{2,1}{n,1} & + \dots + & \frac{2,1;2,m}{n,1;n,m} & + \dots + & \frac{2,m}{n,m} \\
 \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots \\
 + \frac{n-1,1}{n,1} & + \dots + & \frac{n-1,1;n-1,m}{n,1;n,m} & + \dots + & \frac{n-1,m}{n,m} \\
 + \frac{n,1}{n,1} & + \dots + & \frac{n,1;n,m}{n,1;n,m} & + \dots + & \frac{n,m}{n,m}
 \end{array} \tag{5}
 \end{aligned}$$

Taking $a_{i,1} = 0$ for all i , we have

$$\begin{aligned}
 \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=2}^m a_{i,j} = & \begin{array}{cccccc}
 \frac{1,2}{1,2} & + \dots + & \frac{1,2;1,m}{1,2;1,m} & + & \frac{1,2;1,m}{1,2;1,m} & + \dots + & \frac{1,m}{1,m} \\
 + \frac{1,2}{2,2} & + \dots + & \frac{1,2;1,m}{2,2;2,m} & + & \frac{1,2;1,m}{2,2;2,m} & + \dots + & \frac{1,m}{2,m} \\
 \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots \\
 + \frac{1,2}{n,2} & + \dots + & \frac{1,2;1,m}{n,2;n,m} & + & \frac{1,2;1,m}{n,2;n,m} & + \dots + & \frac{1,m}{n,m} \\
 \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots \\
 + \frac{n-1,2}{n,2} & + \dots + & \frac{n-1,2;n-1,m}{n,2;n,m} & + & \frac{n-1,2;n-1,m}{n,2;n,m} & + \dots + & \frac{n-1,m}{n,m} \\
 + \frac{n,2}{n,2} & + \dots + & \frac{n,2;n,m}{n,2;n,m} & + & \frac{n,2;n,m}{n,2;n,m} & + \dots + & \frac{n,m}{n,m}
 \end{array} \tag{6}
 \end{aligned}$$

And finally, taking $a_{i,1} = 0$ and $a_{1,j}$ for all i, j , we have

$$\sum_{i=2}^n \sum_{j=2}^m a_{i,j} = \begin{array}{ccccccc} & \frac{2,2}{n,2} & + \dots + & \frac{2,2;2,m}{n,2;n,m} & + & \frac{2,2;2,m}{n,2;n,m} & + \dots + & \frac{2,m}{n,m} \\ + & \frac{2,2}{3,2} & + \dots + & \frac{2,2;2,m}{3,2;3,m} & + & \frac{2,2;2,m}{3,2;3,m} & + \dots + & \frac{2,m}{3,m} \\ & \vdots & & \vdots & & \vdots & & \vdots \\ + & \frac{2,2}{n,2} & + \dots + & \frac{2,2;2,m}{n,2;n,m} & + & \frac{2,2;2,m}{n,2;n,m} & + \dots + & \frac{2,m}{n,m} \\ + & \frac{2,2}{n,2} & + \dots + & \frac{2,2;2,m}{n,2;n,m} & + & \frac{2,2;2,m}{n,2;n,m} & + \dots + & \frac{2,m}{n,m} \\ & \vdots & & \vdots & & \vdots & & \vdots \\ + & \frac{n-1,2}{n,2} & + \dots + & \frac{n-1,2;n-1,m}{n,2;n,m} & + & \frac{n-1,2;n-1,m}{n,2;n,m} & + \dots + & \frac{n-1,m}{n,m} \\ + & \frac{n-1,2}{n,2} & + \dots + & \frac{n-1,2;n-1,m}{n,2;n,m} & + & \frac{n-1,2;n-1,m}{n,2;n,m} & + \dots + & \frac{n-1,m}{n,m} \end{array} \quad (7)$$

Now, taking (4)-(5)-(6)+(7), we get the following necessary **and sufficient** condition (I was unable to fit it into the page in a way similar to the previous equations...)

$$a_{1,1} = \left(\frac{1,1;1,m}{n,1;n,m} + \sum_{i=1}^{n-1} \sum_{j=1}^{m-1} \left(\frac{1,1;1,j}{i,1;i,j} + \frac{2,2;2,j+1}{i+1,2;i+1,j+1} - \frac{1,2;1,j+1}{i,2;i,j+1} - \frac{2,1;2,j}{i+1,1;i+1,j} \right) \right) \\ + \sum_{i=1}^{n-1} \left(\frac{1,1;1,m}{i,1;i,m} - \frac{2,1;2,m}{i+1,1;i+1,m} \right) + \sum_{j=1}^{m-1} \left(\frac{1,1;1,j}{n,1;n,j} - \frac{1,2;1,j+1}{n,2;n,j+1} \right)$$

Unfortunately, the resulting systems are beyond the computational power of my PC (and probably of any PC), for most sizes and numbers of states. The degrees of freedom for different sizes, for small Q , are shown in table 1.4.

For $n = m = 2$, the solutions were already seen in the previous sections. For $Q = 2, n = 2, m = 3$, 10 new solutions appeared.

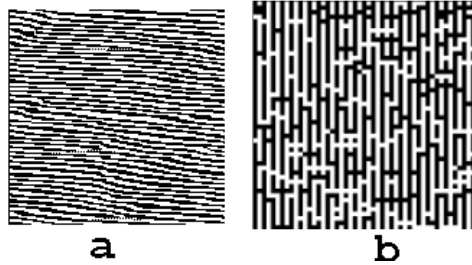


Fig. 8: Rules number 10 and 1, with neighbourhood size 6

Description of the rules

At least at first look, the only rule that seems to show something new is the self-conjugated rule 10, which leads to a stripe wrapped around the torus, with different curvatures, according to the initial

Q	n	m	Degrees of freedom	
2	1	2	1	
	1	3	3	
	1	4	7	
	1	5	15	
	1	6	31	
	1	7	63	
	2	2	5	
	2	3	19	
	2	4	71	
	2	5	271	
	3	3	111	
	3	1	2	2
		1	3	8
1		4	26	
1		5	80	
2		2	14	
2		3	98	
4	2	27		
5	2	44		

Tab. 10: Degrees of freedom for different sizes and Q .

1	000000000000000100010011111111110011111100111110100010011111111
2	00000000000000001000101111111111110011111100110010001011111111
3	0000000000000000110011011111111111000011110000110110011011111111
4	00000000000000000100011111111111111100111111000001000111111111
5	0000000000000000100110011111111100111100001111001001100111111111
6	00000000000000011011011111111100001100000011001101110111111111
7	00000000010001011010001111001100001100001011101101110111111111
8	0000000000000001011101111111110011000001100001011101111111111
9	000000000000000111011111111111000000110000001110111111111111
10	00000000001000101110100111110011000000110100010111011111111111

Tab. 11: New rules for neighbourhood 2×3 , $Q = 2$

condition. The rest of the rules have rather trivial behaviours; the picture given by rule 1 is new too (with respect to all the rules previously found).