

# Propagation, Diffusion and Randomization in Cellular Automata

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# This talk

- based on 2 joint works
  - **pre-expansivity:** A. Gajardo, V. Nesme
  - **randomization:** B. Hellouin de Menibus, V. Salo
- *general setting:* deterministic 1D cellular automata

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**Proposition** (folklore?, see Kari's course notes)

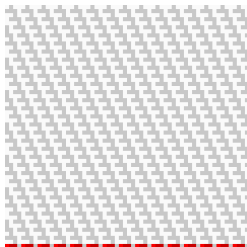
No CA can be both **reversible** and **positively expansive**.

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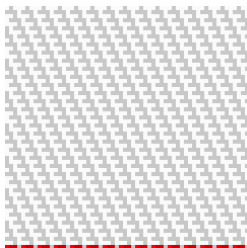
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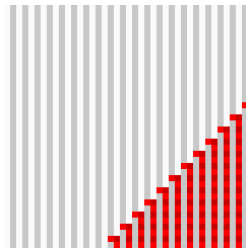
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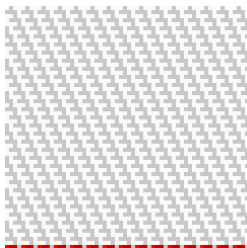


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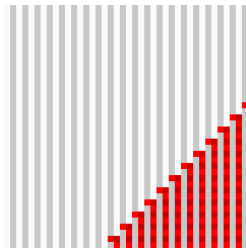


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■ (2010): Garden of Eden Theorem over  $Q^G \iff G$  amenable

■ Gottschalk problem (1973): is there a group which is not surjunctive?

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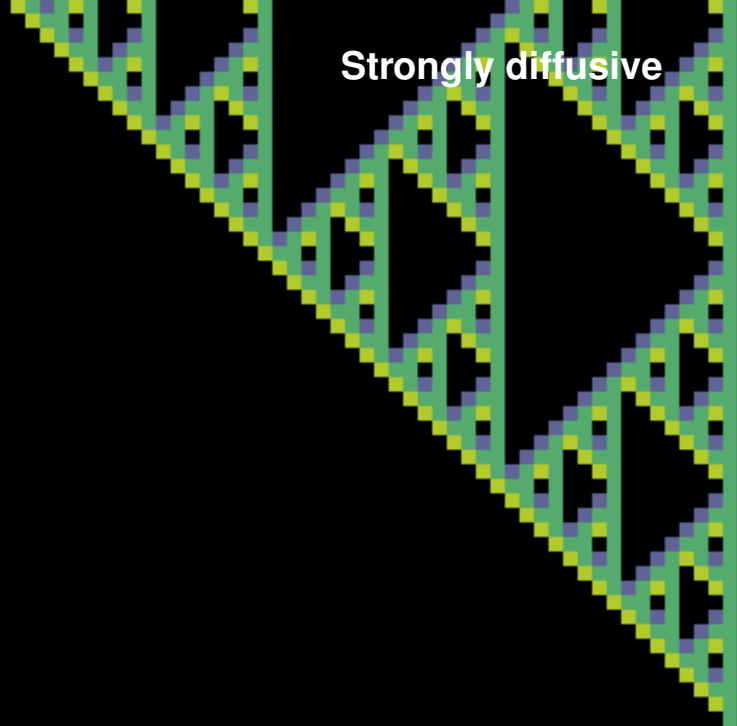
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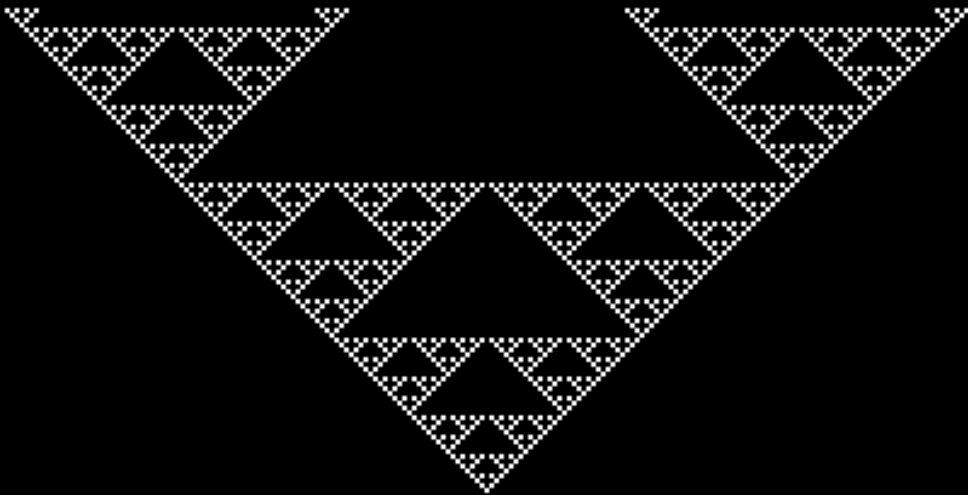
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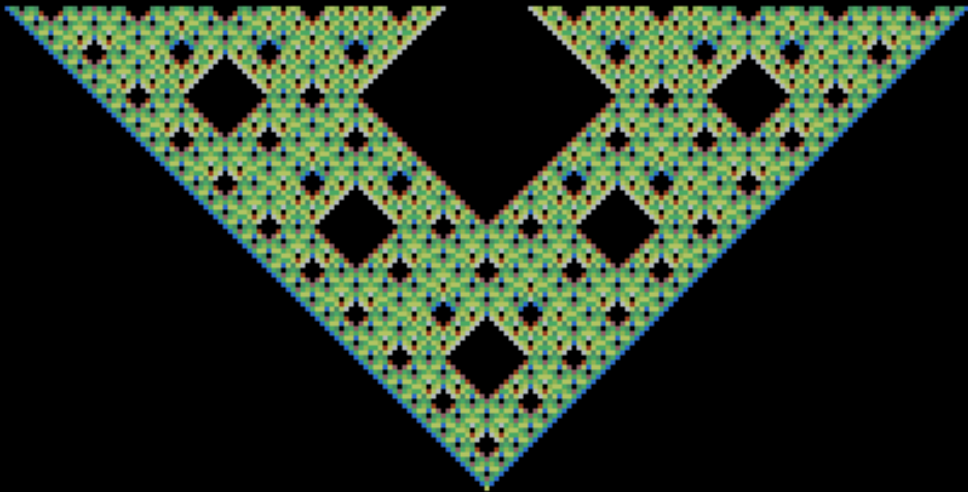
**Strongly diffusive**



# Diffusive but not strongly



# Pre-expansive and reversible



# Inside Surjectivity

strong diffusivity  $\Rightarrow$  diffusivity



**no glider**  $\Rightarrow$  **surjectivity**



pos. expansivity  $\Rightarrow$  pre-expansivity



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## Theorem (Hedlund, 1969)

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## Some Results on Randomization

- Miyamoto 1979, Lind 1984

XOR CA (ECA 102) is randomizing (NDB measures).

- Ferrari-Maass-Martinez-Ney 2000

$F(c)_z = \alpha c_z + \beta c_{z+1} \pmod{p^l}$ ,  $\alpha, \beta \neq 0 \pmod{p}$   
is randomizing (measures with quick correlation decay).

- Pivato-Yassawi 2002

$F(c)_z = \sum_{j \in J} \alpha_j c_{z+j}$  on Abelian group + conditions on  $\alpha_j$   
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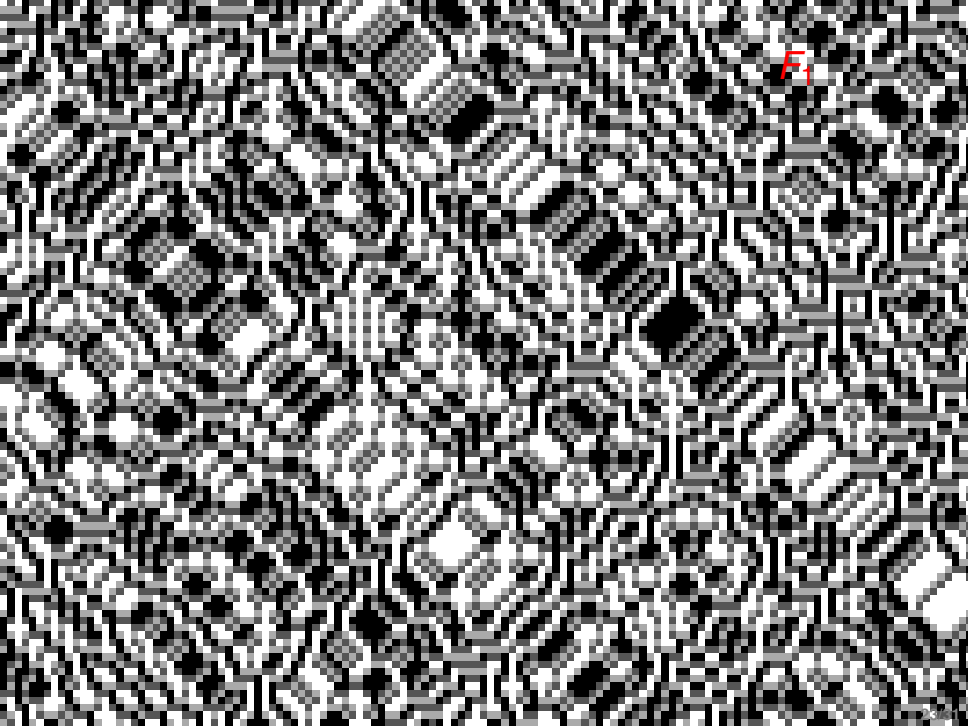
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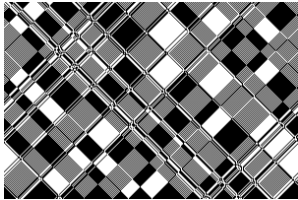
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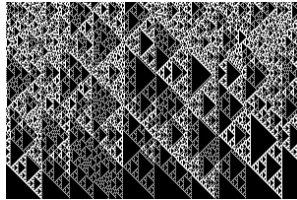


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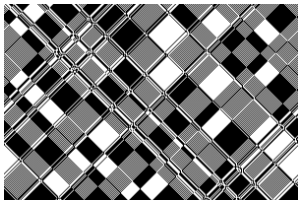


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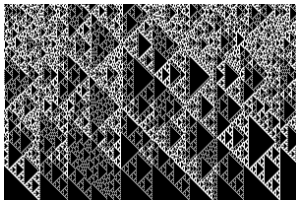


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## Theorem

Let  $F$  be a  $\mathbb{Z}_{p^k}^l$ -Abelian CA, then the following are equivalent:

- 1  $F$  has no glider
- 2  $F$  is diffusive
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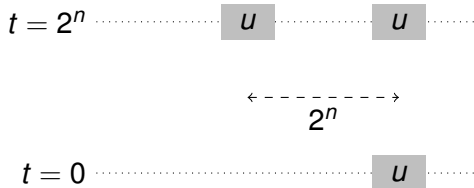
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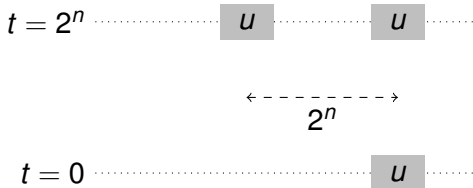
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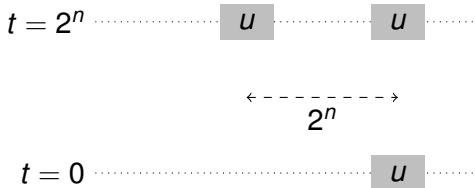


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- **lemma:**  $F^{p^{n+l-1}}(c)_z = \left( \sum_{i \in V} h_i^{p^n}(c_{z+ip^n}) \right)^{p^{l-1}}$

- **corollary 1:** decision algorithm for randomization

- **corollary 2:** no strong randomization

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## About the Proof

- 1 no glider  $\Leftrightarrow$  diffusivity
- 2 harmonic analysis (inspired from Pivato-Yassawi)
  - characters:  $\chi : \mathbb{Q}^{\mathbb{Z}} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$  continuous group morphism
  - Fourier coefficients:  $\mu[\chi] = \int \chi d\mu$
  - $F\mu[\chi] = \mu[\chi \circ F]$
  - dual  $F^*$ : action of  $F$  on characters
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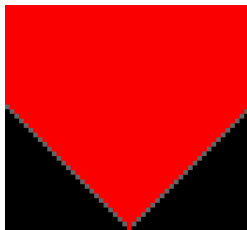
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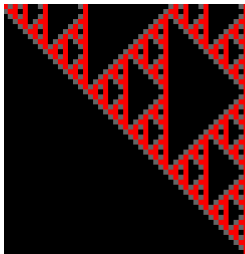
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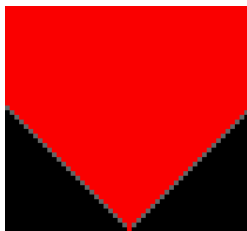
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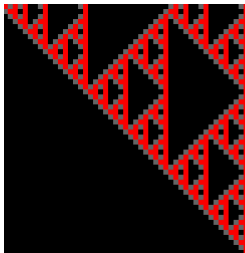
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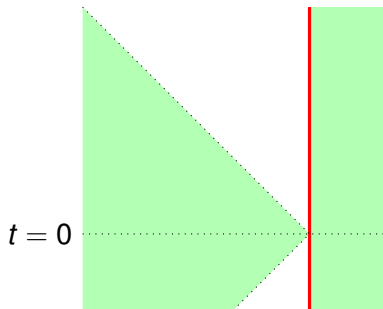
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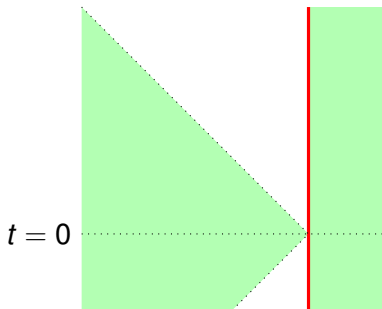
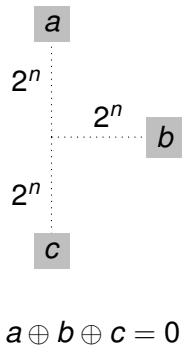


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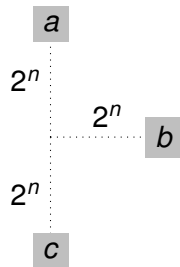


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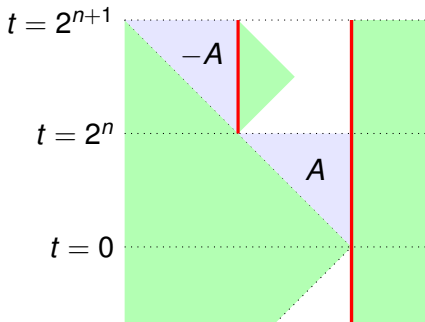
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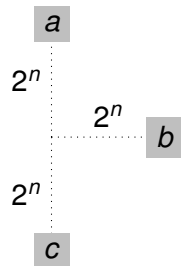


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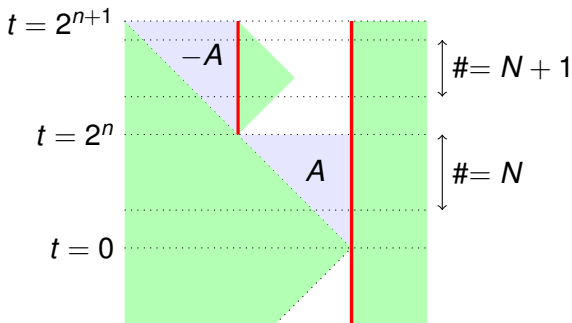
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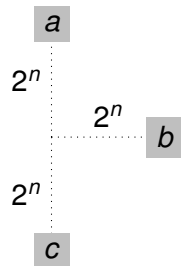
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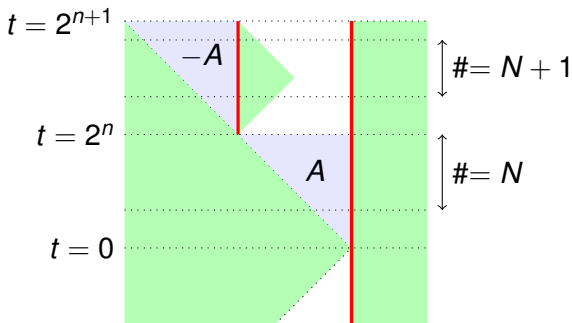
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■  **$k$ -separated dependencies + reversibility!**

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