Selforganisational High Efficient Stable Chaos Patterns

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Abstract: The aim of this paper is to provide a new solution for the problem of a simple application of swarm robots, and here the model and its simulation, which shall be later implemented in these Internet of Things (IoT) devices. For this reason this paper describes how, swarm robots, robot-multirobots, a series of entangled robots or robot-os, form predictable selforganisational room-time patterns, as a function of a binary sensor and a binary actor signal interaction, in a triangular cellular automata fashion. The influence of the outer border compared to the inner border of robot-os is investigated, to answer the question, whether and how they can be distinguished. So this process can then be regarded as a different level border-order-entity or as a ‘solidification process’ of the robot-o. By means of this, the robot-o is itself ‘recognising’, as an extended self, that is identified by the robot-o as the environment. Border as direction change of signal, hence, can be regarded as a basic selforganisational driving force. Above described sensor actor processes can be regarded as bidirectional ordering process, according to orgiton theory, a further development of the theory of selforganisation. Based on the Shannon information entropy, measuring this is methodically demonstrated. Application programs and respective patterns are given in Mathcad and Witness simulations in detail. These prepare for IoT robot-os applications, for future research applications, especially for the open source robot-os of Elmenreich et al., that our work refers to and builds upon.

1 INTRODUCTION

Selforganisational patterns are quite well known, but it seems, that these become more and more relevant in technical and cyber-physical applications like Internet of Things (IoT)-devices. There are several reasons for this. Cybernetic models have become increasingly complex in the sense of programming on the one side, on the other side there is the need for efficient designs of programming in limited resources regions applications, e.g. in space missions, autonomous vehicles, or transport-tools, and others. The limited resources are not only part of some exotic and maybe extreme applications, but they arise also increasingly in common applications like production environments. One reason is, that the extreme situation can be understood as solving an optimality problem of e.g. maximum production while at the same time a lot of restrictions or system-environment conditions have to be fulfilled. In this field of increasingly complex conditions, not only not all information is available timely, but also some information is impossible reachable or in out of distance conditions. We all know now, as in the current pandemic video-conferencing is becoming widely common, the acquainted systemic problem is, that reliant information of the ‘end-point’, becomes increasingly important, which means that the problem has to be solved to operate safely in industrial production, etc. out of a distant operating point.

While this may be clear for military applications, the civilian applications are now also affected systematically.

We can think of this, as increasing growth of intermediate relay stations between information transmitter and receiver used in the path between IoT-devices. This has been recently named by the term osmotic manufacturing (Heiden et al., 2020), osmotic computing (Villari et al., 2016), and also as a generalisation the osmotic paradigm. (Heiden et al., 2021a; Heiden et al., 2021b).
As such the complexity measure of IoT-systems becomes increasingly important. One such measure is the Lyapunov coefficient, another the information entropy by Shannon (Shannon and Weaver, 1963). In this work, this measure will be used to order the information results obtained in the calculation.

The inspiration of this work is that chaotic patterns can be implemented by algorithms looking just at neighbors, which result in e.g. Sierpinski triangle patterns (Hütt, 2006).

This has led to the idea of this work to implement the pattern generators on IoT devices of swarm type. That means each IoT device is similar and can implement cybernetics. One such system can then be regarded as a multirobot (Elmenreich et al., 2015) implementation. Synonyms are robots, swarm robots or robot-os. Robot-o refers to the term robot-orgiton, according to the grammar rules of orgiton theory (Heiden and Tonino-Heiden, 2021). An orgiton is a cybernetic unit with elements of mass, energy and information, and hence the robot-o denotes a single robot, as well as a swarm, which is then a robot-o of potentially higher order. On each “length” scale a robot-o denotes a functional unit with a specific composition. As a consequence, the system can be used to study chaotic patterns with robot-os or IoT-clusters in general.

1.1 Content

This work is, after summarising the goal in section 1.2 with the basic idea of this work of tri-information patterns, diving in section 2, into the related theoretical background. In section 3 we go to the computational applications of tri-information-patterns, first in section 3.1 to a Mathcad application, then in section 3.2 to a Witness application, and we close section 3 with an information entropy investigation in section 3.3. In section 4 we make conclusions of the computational applications and connect them to IoT applications. Finally, we give a summary and outlook in section 5.

1.2 Goal

The goal of this work, is to motivate and give application examples of chaotic patterns in computational and IoT devices, designated for educational purposes, leading to a deeper understanding of chaotic system behaviour of cellular automata, implemented in parallelised IoT-swarms, operating in stable chaos regions. For this basic computational tools for IoT-swarm applications in general, and educational ones in special are given.

2 TRI-INFORMATION PATTERNS

In this section we will introduce a concept used in this paper and based on the following:

Axiom 1. Information flow is a translational information chain. - The “living” function can be interpreted as a continuous information flow.

We here regard cybernetic systems, analogously to Wiener (Wiener, 1963), similar to living “machines”, or as Heinz von Förster noted, biocybernetic machines.

Axiom 2. Increasingly nested translational patterns (autoencoders), increase potentially order and allow for increasingly safety or an integrity informational check.

When Axiom 2 is true, then this should also be seen in some informational measure. Such a measure could be the informational entropy $S_i$. The Shannon information entropy $S_i$ can be calculated by (1):

$$H_i = S_i = p_i \cdot \ln(p_i)$$

$p_i$ denotes here the probability or frequency. This measure can be in general used to measure information content, as a consequence of its statistical properties. We will use this when looking at some bit-information of the core translation process of the cellular automata. The translation process can be regarded as an essential process transferring information from one moment to the other (event horizon) or one room to the other (cf. Figure 1). By this means, information of one observing window in Figure 1 is divided by ‘mirroring’ borders and fulfilling, in each window, the information balance. By this dynamically information can be kept alive in an open system, as well as be enriched by open time-rooms or room-times of possibility.

3 SIMULATION

In the following, we give the two simulation-programs for the tri-information chaos patterns of the cellular automata. The translational matrix is $U$ (see APPENDIX - MATHCAD PROGRAMS). Eight combinatorial possible states of three elements, or one element and its two neighbours, are combined uniquely by one translational configuration, which is in our case row four in $U$.

The first simulation is done in Mathcad. A parallelised program for general process simulation is Witness. This has the advantage to be able to simulate each virtual IoT device, which is operating in the IoT-swarm, separately. We show, how this is implemented in this specific “parallel” program environment.
The programs, in Mathcad or Witness itself, can be regarded as information-translation in the sense of Figure 1, and hence the system order is increasing potentially.

3.1 Mathcad Simulation

To simulate the triangular process first two programs are made in Mathcad (cf. APPENDIX - MATHCAD PROGRAMS) to implement the cellular automaton. In Figure 2 we see the cyclic implementation. Circular robot-os, can be imagined in a way having one neighbour to the left and one to the right and arranged in a circle.

The other variant is to have robot-os with left and right neighbours only, which means that there is an open-end on each side (cf. Figure 3).

In Figure 4 ten (10) variants of open-ended and cycle robot-os patterns can be seen. They tend to a stable dynamic pattern, although, each configuration is more or less chaotic in the pattern structure, or has different information entropy (cf. Figure 6).

3.2 Witness Simulation

Nowadays the role of Machine-to-Machine (M2M) communication is becoming increasingly important in different areas of applications. M2M communication technology is commonly based on wired or wireless communication channels, e.g. sensors, Internet, RFID, etc. (Galetić et al., 2011). The purpose of this chapter is to introduce a simple simulation model as a pattern example of communication between functional independent and informational open robots-multirobots as an entangled robotic system. The model was simulated in the Witness Software and consists of five functional independent robots, each of which has binary incoming and outgoing signals. The functional principle of communication in this robotic system is based on binary sensor and bi-
Figure 3: With the $A3x(n=5,m=15)$ function (see APPENDIX - MATHCAD PROGRAMS) calculated cyclic pattern of five robot-o's for 15 time steps ($n=5$, $m=15$): left the pattern-picture and right the corresponding 0/1 representational matrix - open-ended variant.

Binary actor signals. Each robot recognises and processes signals of its neighbouring robots (input signal) according to the general pattern and generates the outgoing signals (output). For a demonstration of outgoing signals, the function of integer variables in Witness was used. Based on this simulation, the inner and external border of a robot-o can be distinguished. This methodology of M2M-communication-based on binary sensors can be also important and applicable in intralogistics, namely in the context of traffic organisation of automated guided vehicles and human-robot-communication in the intelligent warehouse (cf. (Rey et al., 2019)).

When we look at the Witness simulation, there is the basic concept of parallelisation of the model. Witness is an intrinsic simultaneous process simulation program. By this, each robot can be regarded as a parallel and individual separate agent in one room-time window, according to Figure 1. The parallelisation process occurs then by going into the y-direction. An example configuration of the five robot-o’s is depicted in Figure 5. In the Witness model, the information balance of the ‘living’ or dynamic cybernetic process is given by ingoing and outgoing information. In this context, the ingoing part and outgoing part of every robot-o simulates the event horizon for each time step. In this event horizon then the translation to the next step is calculated inside the robot (cf. Figure 5, 1 and APPENDIX - WITNESS PROGRAMS). The translation is done in this case according to the cellular automaton and is by this restricted to a relatively static as well as collective behaviour between each state, so this may be called a swarm.

When we now regard a meta-meta perspective, an observer who sees the light of the robot-o’s, this observer gets integrated information of all together as a pattern. This meta-information then increases the possibilities of the process, and hence the possible practical applications.

3.3 Information Entropy

In Figure 6 the information entropy according to Shannon and equation (1) is calculated for the 2 x 10 variants in Figure 4, as well as the intermediate steps.

The general form in Mathcad can be written:

$$H(n) := \log(n, 2)$$

So we have calculated the maximum possible entropy ($H_{\text{max}} = H(n \times m)$ according to (2)), the entropy for the cycle cases ($H_{\text{cyclic}}$ number of positive values in $A33x$ (see function summe1(n,m) in APPENDIX - MATHCAD PROGRAMS)), the entropy of the open-end cases ($H_{\text{open end}}$), and the difference entropy for cyclic ($\Delta H_{\text{cyclic}}$) and for the open-end cases ($\Delta H_{\text{open end}}$) and the maximum time horizon (regarded time steps). The total bit number is then time steps $\times$ # robot-o’s (number $n$) of robot-o’s. We see then peaks in $n=3, 5, 9, 17$ which correspond to increasing relative entropy in those cases as the signal is vanishing after a certain time, for the depicted open-end cases (cf. Figure 4).

We can find also the minimum entropy differences, and hence the maximum efficiency patterns for $n=3$ robots for the cyclic cases and $n=7$ for the open-end cases, where the information efficiency is maximal in the cyclic $n=3$ cases.

When the difference is minimal with regard to maximum entropy, information is most effectively stored in the patterns. This is the case at the local minima of $\Delta H$ in Figure 6.

Of course, this is only valid for the given time-horizon and the translational vector in row 4 given in $U$. In sum, in this scenario $2^8 = 256$ cases are possible.

4 CONCLUSION

We can conclude from the above given computational results, that it is possible to implement a stable chaotic pattern by means of cellular automata and different forms of translations. Translations are understood as a program inside of an observer. When progressing with information from inside to outside and or in
time, then the possibilities can emerge by the grade of increasing possibilities triggered by the specific process. By this, the difference lies in the expression of how information is distributed, e.g. with regard to information entropy.

This then lets order or control the process from extended mirroring planes by means of observables that constitute a dynamic memory. In each case, in these cellular automata, the information balance can be regarded as fulfilled for each event window, i.e. it constitutes a living system, only having possibilities in the 'alive' state, which means that information is in- and outgoing with regard to the observer.

More specifically the observer constitutes an event-horizon decreasing effect of possibilities by observation. The same is true for acting.

Hence in the robot-o case, the basic constitution of a cellular automaton - which can therefore also be regarded as the most efficient with regard to cause-effect, as it maximises the possibilities room - is a dynamic cybernetic interaction, including sensing and acting. This in sum is the form of the translation process, of an observer/actor reality autoencoder, which means that ingoing and outgoing information with regard to a process or event relative observer is in dynamic equilibrium.

The emergence process is here different. It arises in each room-time window as a consequence of the possibilities rooms and is hence related to entropy resp. negentropy.

Hence stable chaos is bound to this basic information and more complex patterns are triggered for the same translation procedure, if there are employed more observers or e.g. robot-os.
An interesting fact is that the same overall program, which explicitly excludes different patterns in individual robot-os, restricts information order, which can be derived from Figure 6. This is as a sum a unidirectional process, which can be regarded as 'solidified' in a state, the translation vector. As a conclusion, the bidirectionality would possibly increase order (cf. (Heiden and Tonino-Heiden, 2021)). The gaining possibilities are then restricted to the difference to the unidirectional case, as a consequence. A future research could then be to investigate, how the bidirectional process is achieved and what the informational efficiency gain will be.

As a conclusion with regard to information entropy it can be said, that it is dependent on the room-time horizon, and there exists a minimum leading to a stable efficient chaotic pattern. Similar results are to be expected with other translational patterns and can be measured with the given method.

In general, the “efficiency” case, will be also a question of the specific application, and hence it will change, according to different patterns. It may then be optimal with regard to a specific informational goal, e.g. detection of an error intrusion, detection of stable operation, signal encryption, signal superposition, dynamic signal storage, etc.

5 SUMMARY AND OUTLOOK

In this work, we have given the computational tools to implement stable chaotic patterns by means of cellular automata. The basic principles have been provided, that can be applied in future research to IoT-swarm applications like in robot-os.

Future applications in IoT-swarms will have to implement further "translations" into physical devices according to the theory section 2.

There can be used similar programs as in the Witness program section, with the difference, that the program, e.g. on the Arduino-Board has to be connected to the input (light-sensing) and output (light-indicating) information resp. signal.

Concerning the translation matrix only one of 256 possibilities, according to permutations has been investigated. So using other translational codes, a lot of more configurations are possible. It will be interesting, maybe for future research, to investigate the relation of those different kinds of translational patterns on the overall informational process, as well as more dynamic or even more nested translations relation-matrices, maybe to implement bi-directional cybernetic processes to further increase the informational efficiency of the regarded or implemented processes.

REFERENCES


APPENDIX

Mathcad Programs

Translational Matrix $U$:

Starting Vector:

\[
U = \begin{bmatrix}
1 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\
1 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\
0 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\
0 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\
1 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 1
\end{bmatrix}
\]

Initial Matrix:

Mathcad Program $A_{33x}(n, m)$ - non-cyclic (open-ended) triangular cellular automaton ($nxm, n$...robots, $m$...time steps):

\[
\text{summe}_1(n, m) \quad \text{for the calculation of entropy in the open-end case:}
\]

\[
\text{summe}_c(n, m) \quad \text{for the calculation of entropy in the cyclic case:}
\]

Calculation of entropy:

\[
H(s) = \log(n, 2)
\]

Witness Programs

Actions Initialise

- BI1 = 0
- BI2 = 0
- BI4 = 0
- BI5 = 0
- BIa = 0
- BIb = 0
- BIc = 1
- BId = 0
- BIe = 0
- XI = 0
- X2 = 0
- X3 = 0
- X4 = 0
- r1t = 0
- r2t = 0
- r3t = 0

Mathcad Program $A_{33x_c}(n, m)$ - cyclic triangular cellular automaton ($nxm, n$...robots, $m$...time steps):
robot1 = 0
timex = 0
timen = 0
tt = 1

Robot1-Program-Actions: Input Part
IF R5La = 1 AND R1La = 1 AND R2La = 1
  X1 = 0
  r1t = 1
ELSEIF R5La = 1 AND R1La = 1 AND R2La = 0
  X1 = 1
  r1t = 2
ELSEIF R5La = 1 AND R1La = 0 AND R2La = 1
  X1 = 0
  r1t = 3
ELSEIF R5La = 1 AND R1La = 0 AND R2La = 0
  X1 = 1
  r1t = 4
ELSEIF R5La = 0 AND R1La = 1 AND R2La = 1
  X1 = 1
  r1t = 5
ELSEIF R5La = 0 AND R1La = 1 AND R2La = 0
  X1 = 0
  r1t = 6
ELSEIF R5La = 0 AND R1La = 0 AND R2La = 1
  X1 = 1
  r1t = 7
ELSEIF R5La = 0 AND R1La = 0 AND R2La = 0
  X1 = 0
  r1t = 8
ENDIF
R1L = X1
timex = TIME
IF TIME > timeo
  timen = TIME
  timeo = timen - 1
ENDIF

Robot1-Program-Actions: Output Part
IF TIME = 1
  XLWriteArray ("Robot-o.xls","x","$A$2",TIME)
  XLWriteArray ("Robot-o.xls","x","$B$2",R1La)
  XLWriteArray ("Robot-o.xls","x","$C$2",R2La)
  XLWriteArray ("Robot-o.xls","x","$D$2",R3La)
  XLWriteArray ("Robot-o.xls","x","$E$2",R4La)
  XLWriteArray ("Robot-o.xls","x","$F$2",R5La)
ENDIF

Robot2-Program-Actions: Input Part
IF R5La = 1 AND R2La = 1 AND R3La = 1
  X2 = 0
  r2t = 1
ELSEIF R5La = 1 AND R2La = 1 AND R3La = 0
  X2 = 1
  r2t = 2
ELSEIF R5La = 1 AND R2La = 0 AND R3La = 1
  X2 = 0
  r2t = 3
ELSEIF R5La = 1 AND R2La = 0 AND R3La = 0
  X2 = 1
  r2t = 4
ELSEIF R5La = 0 AND R2La = 1 AND R3La = 1
  X2 = 1
  r2t = 5
ELSEIF R5La = 0 AND R2La = 1 AND R3La = 0
  X2 = 0
  r2t = 6
ELSEIF R5La = 0 AND R2La = 0 AND R3La = 1
  X2 = 1
  r2t = 7
ELSEIF R5La = 0 AND R2La = 0 AND R3La = 0
  X2 = 0
  r2t = 8
ENDIF

Robot3-Program-Actions: Input Part
IF R2La = 1 AND R3La = 1 AND R4La = 1
  X3 = 0
  r3t = 1
ELSEIF R2La = 1 AND R3La = 1 AND R4La = 0
  X3 = 1
  r3t = 2
ELSEIF R2La = 1 AND R3La = 0 AND R4La = 1
  X3 = 0
  r3t = 3
ELSEIF R2La = 1 AND R3La = 0 AND R4La = 0
  X3 = 1
  r3t = 4
ELSEIF R2La = 0 AND R3La = 1 AND R4La = 1
  X3 = 1
  r3t = 5
ELSEIF R2La = 0 AND R3La = 1 AND R4La = 0
  X3 = 0
  r3t = 6
ELSEIF R2La = 0 AND R3La = 0 AND R4La = 1
  X3 = 1
  r3t = 7
ELSEIF R2La = 0 AND R3La = 0 AND R4La = 0
  X3 = 0
  r3t = 8
ENDIF
R3L = X3

Robot4-Program-Actions: Input Part
IF R3La = 1 AND R4La = 1 AND R5La = 1
  X4 = 0
  r4t = 1
ELSEIF R3La = 1 AND R4La = 1 AND R5La = 0
  X4 = 1
  r4t = 2
ELSEIF R3La = 1 AND R4La = 0 AND R5La = 1
  X4 = 0
  r4t = 3
ELSEIF R3La = 1 AND R4La = 0 AND R5La = 0
  X4 = 1
  r4t = 4
ELSEIF R3La = 0 AND R4La = 1 AND R5La = 1
  X4 = 1
  r4t = 5
ELSEIF R3La = 0 AND R4La = 1 AND R5La = 0
  X4 = 0
  r4t = 6
ELSEIF R3La = 0 AND R4La = 0 AND R5La = 1
  X4 = 1
  r4t = 7
ELSEIF R3La = 0 AND R4La = 0 AND R5La = 0
  X4 = 0
  r4t = 8
ENDIF
R4L = X4

Robot5-Program-Actions: Input Part
IF R4La = 1 AND R5La = 1 AND R1La = 1
  X5 = 0
  r5t = 1
ELSEIF R4La = 1 AND R5La = 1 AND R1La = 0
  X5 = 1
  r5t = 2
ELSEIF R4La = 1 AND R5La = 0 AND R1La = 1
  X5 = 0
  r5t = 3
ELSEIF R4La = 1 AND R5La = 0 AND R1La = 0
  X5 = 1
  r5t = 4
ELSEIF R4La = 0 AND R5La = 1 AND R1La = 1
  X5 = 1
  r5t = 5
ELSEIF R4La = 0 AND R5La = 1 AND R1La = 0
  X5 = 0
  r5t = 6
ELSEIF R4La = 0 AND R5La = 0 AND R1La = 1
  X5 = 1
  r5t = 7
ELSEIF R4La = 0 AND R5La = 0 AND R1La = 0
  X5 = 0
  r5t = 8
ENDIF
R5L = X5