

Latin Hypercubes and CA

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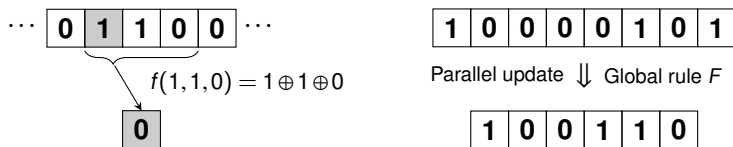
One-Dimensional Cellular Automata (CA)

Definition (One-dimensional CA)

A quadruple $\langle A, n, d, f \rangle$ with A a finite alphabet, $n \in \mathbb{N}$ is the number of cells, $d \in \mathbb{N}$ is the diameter and $f : A^d \rightarrow A$ is the local rule.

Remark: we only consider finite fields as alphabets, i.e. $A = \mathbb{F}_q$ for $q = p^a$ with p prime and $a \in \mathbb{N}$

Example: $A = \mathbb{F}_2$, $n = 8$, $d = 3$, $f(x_1, x_2, x_3) = x_1 \oplus x_2 \oplus x_3$ (Rule 150)



CA Global Rule: $F : \{0, 1\}^n \rightarrow \{0, 1\}^{n-d+1}$ defined as

$$F(x_1, \dots, x_n) = (f(x_1, \dots, x_d), f(x_2, \dots, x_{d+1}), \dots, f(x_{n-d+1}, \dots, x_n))$$

Latin Squares and Quasigroups

Definition

Latin square of order N : a $N \times N$ matrix L such that every row and every column are permutations of $[N] = \{1, \dots, N\}$

1	3	4	2
4	2	1	3
2	4	3	1
3	1	2	4

Latin square of order N



Cayley table of quasigroup
 (Q, \circ) with $|Q| = N$

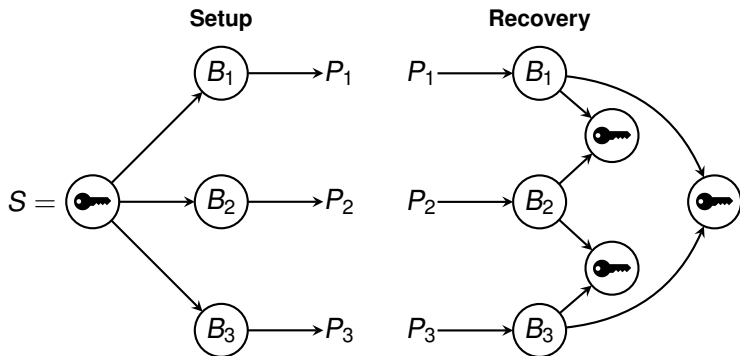
Definition

Quasigroup: algebraic structure (Q, \circ) where for all $x, y \in Q$ the equations $x \circ z = y$ and $z \circ x = y$ have a unique solution for $z \in Q$

Secret Sharing Schemes (SSS)

(k, n) **Threshold Secret Sharing Scheme**: a procedure enabling a **dealer** to share a **secret** S among n **players** so that at least k players out of n can recover S [Shamir79].

Example: $(2, 3)$ -scheme



Remark: $(2, 2)$ -scheme \Leftrightarrow Latin square

Latin Squares through Bipermutive CA (1/2)

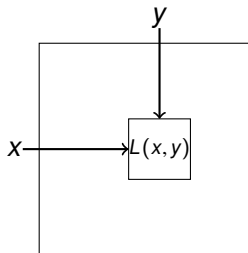
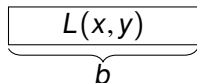
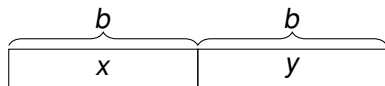
- ▶ **Bipermutive CA**: local rule f is defined as

$$f(x_1, \dots, x_d) = x_1 \oplus \varphi(x_2, \dots, x_{d-1}) \oplus x_d$$

- ▶ $\varphi : \mathbb{F}_q^{d-2} \rightarrow \mathbb{F}_q$: **generating function** of f

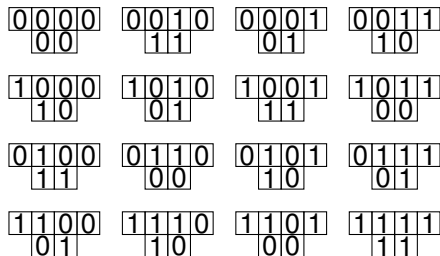
Lemma ([Eloranta93, Mariot20])

Let $\langle \mathbb{F}_q, 2b, b+1, f \rangle$ be a CA with bipermutive rule f of diameter $d = b+1$. Then, F generates a Latin square of order $N = q^b$



Latin Squares through Bipermutive CA (2/2)

- ▶ **Example:** CA $\langle \mathbb{F}_2, 4, 1, f \rangle$, $f(x_1, x_2, x_3) = x_1 \oplus x_2 \oplus x_3$ (Rule 150)
- ▶ Encoding: $00 \mapsto 1, 10 \mapsto 2, 01 \mapsto 3, 11 \mapsto 4$



(a) Rule 150 on 4 bits

1	4	3	2
2	3	4	1
4	1	2	3
3	2	1	4

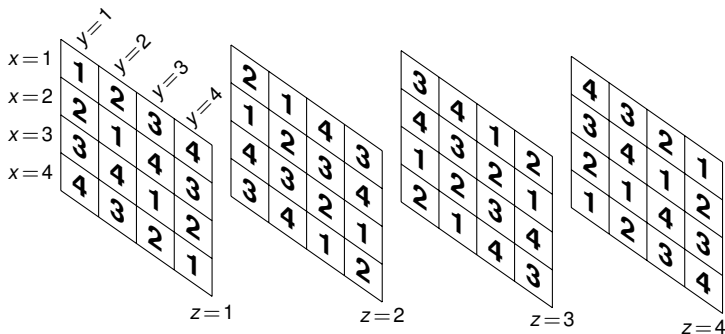
(b) Latin square L_{150}

Latin Hypercubes

Definition (Latin hypercube of dimension k and order N)

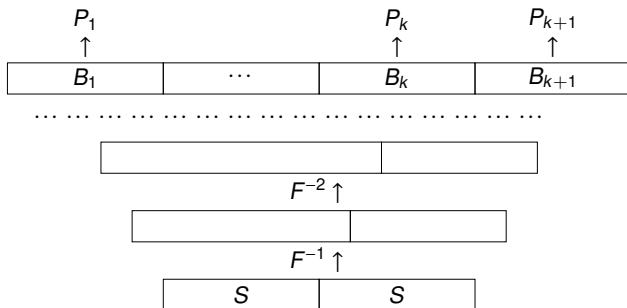
A k -dimensional array of side N such that fixing any $k - 1$ coordinates i_1, \dots, i_{k-1} permutes $[N]$ on the remaining coordinate i_k

Example: $k = 3$, $N = 4 \Leftrightarrow$ Each number from 1 to 4 occurs once in each row, column, and file



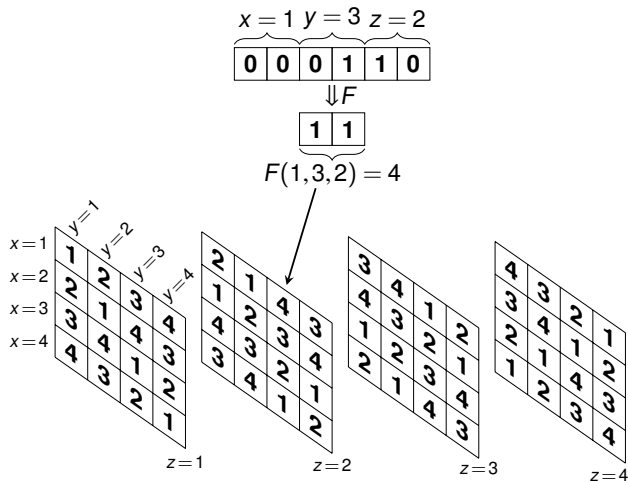
Motivation: CA-based Secret Sharing Schemes

- ▶ Latin hypercube of dimension $k \Leftrightarrow (k, k)$ -SSS
- ▶ Latin hypercubes based on CA can be used to design secret sharing schemes with **consecutive access structure** [Mariot14]



- ▶ Useful in **distributed cryptographic protocols**, with applications e.g. to automatized control [Herranz18]

CA-Based Latin Hypercubes



Example: Latin cube of order 4 generated by a CA $F : \mathbb{F}_2^6 \rightarrow \mathbb{F}_2^2$ defined by local rule $f(x_1, \dots, x_5) = x_1 \oplus x_3 \oplus x_5$.

Latin Cubes: Bipermutivity is not Enough!

- ▶ **Question:** does any bipermutive rule generate a Latin cube?
- ▶ Unfortunately, no! Let $b = 2$, $k = 3$, and consider the CA $F : \mathbb{F}_2^6 \rightarrow \mathbb{F}_2$ defined by the local rule

$$f(x_1, x_2, x_3, x_4, x_5) = x_1 \oplus x_5$$

1	0	0	0	1	0
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0	0
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1	0	0	1	1	0
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0	0
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- ▶ Fixing (x_1, x_2) and (x_5, x_6) to $(1, 0)$, the CA F will always give $(0, 0)$ as a result, *independently* of (x_3, x_4) :

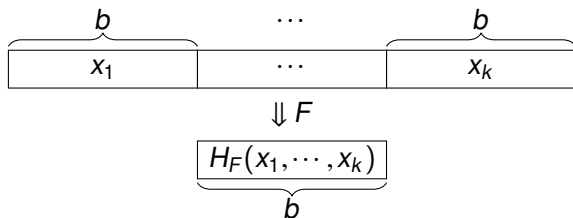
Problem Statement

Idea: Generalize the square construction to CA acting on k blocks of length b that represent the k dimensions of the hypercube

Problem

Let $b, k \in \mathbb{N}$, $N = q^b$ and $d = b(k-1) + 1$.

1. **(Characterization):** When does a CA $F : \mathbb{F}_q^{bk} \rightarrow \mathbb{F}_q^b$ with rule $f : \mathbb{F}_q^d \rightarrow \mathbb{F}_q$ give a k -dimensional Latin hypercube of order N ?
2. **(Counting):** How many local rules $f : \mathbb{F}_q^d \rightarrow \mathbb{F}_q$ generate k -dimensional hypercubes of order N ?



Linear Bipermutive CA (LBCA)

- ▶ Local rule: **linear combination** of the neighborhood cells

$$f(x_1, \dots, x_d) = a_1 x_1 \oplus \dots \oplus a_d x_d, \quad a_i \in \mathbb{F}_q$$

- ▶ A linear local rule f is bipermutive iff $a_1 \neq 0, a_d \neq 0$
- ▶ Global rule: $n \times (n + d - 1)$ $(d - 1)$ -diagonal **transition matrix**

$$M_F = \begin{pmatrix} a_1 & \cdots & a_d & 0 & \cdots & \cdots & \cdots & \cdots & 0 \\ 0 & a_1 & \cdots & a_d & 0 & \cdots & \cdots & \cdots & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & \cdots & \cdots & \cdots & \cdots & 0 & a_1 & \cdots & a_d \end{pmatrix}$$

$$x = (x_1, \dots, x_n) \mapsto M_F x^T$$

Linear System for LBCA cubes

- ▶ Let $k = 3$, $b \in \mathbb{N}$ and let $F : \mathbb{F}_q^{3b} \rightarrow \mathbb{F}_q^b$ be a LBCA defined by a rule $f : \mathbb{F}_q^{2b+1} \rightarrow \mathbb{F}_q$.
- ▶ Since f is linear, $y = F(x)$ can be expressed as a system of b linear equations and $3b$ variables:

$$\begin{cases} y_1 &= x_1 \oplus a_2 x_2 \oplus \cdots \oplus a_{2b} x_{2b} \oplus x_{2b+1} \\ y_2 &= x_2 \oplus a_2 x_3 \oplus \cdots \oplus a_{2b} x_{2b+1} \oplus x_{2b+2} \\ &\vdots \\ y_b &= x_b \oplus a_2 x_{b+1} \oplus \cdots \oplus a_{2b} x_{3b-1} \oplus x_{3b} \end{cases}$$

- ▶ Fixing the $2b$ leftmost and rightmost variables reduces this to a linear system in b equations and b variables

Toeplitz Matrix Characterization

Matrix associated to the reduced linear system:

$$M_f = \begin{pmatrix} a_{b+1} & a_{b+2} & \cdots & a_{2b} \\ a_b & a_{b+1} & \cdots & a_{2b-1} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ a_2 & a_3 & \cdots & a_{b+1} \end{pmatrix}$$

Remark: the above matrix is a **Toeplitz matrix**, thus we have:

Lemma

Let $F : \mathbb{F}_q^{3b} \rightarrow \mathbb{F}_q^b$ be a LBCA defined by

$$f(x_1, \dots, x_{2b+1}) = x_1 \oplus a_2 x_2 \oplus \cdots \oplus a_{2b} x_{2b} \oplus x_{2b+1} .$$

Then, F generates a Latin cube of order $N = q^b$ if and only if the Toeplitz matrix M_F defined by $a_2, \dots, a_{2b} \in \mathbb{F}_q$ is invertible.

Theorem ([Price18])

Let $b \in \mathbb{N}$. Then, the number of invertible $b \times b$ Toeplitz matrices over \mathbb{F}_q is $q^{q^{b-1}}$.

Since the number of LBCA with rules of diameter $d = 2b + 1$ generating Latin cubes corresponds to the number of invertible $b \times b$ Toeplitz matrices over \mathbb{F}_q , we have:

Corollary

Let $b \in \mathbb{N}$. Then, the number of linear bipermutive CA $F : \mathbb{F}_q^{3b} \rightarrow \mathbb{F}_q^b$ whose associated hypercube H_F is a Latin cube is $q^{q^{b-1}}$.

Generalizing to Hypercubes

- ▶ When $k > 3$, the LBCA $F : \mathbb{F}_q^{bk} \rightarrow \mathbb{F}_q^b$ is defined by a local rule $f : \mathbb{F}_q^{b(k-1)+1} \rightarrow \mathbb{F}_q$ of the form:

$$f(x_1, \dots, x_{b(k-1)+1}) = x_1 \oplus a_2 x_2 \oplus \dots \oplus a_{b(k-1)} x_{b(k-1)} \oplus x_{b(k-1)+1}$$

- ▶ the values of $y = F(x) \in \mathbb{F}_q^b$ are determined by a linear system in b equations and bk variables:

$$\begin{cases} y_1 &= x_1 \oplus a_2 x_2 \oplus \dots \oplus a_{b(k-1)} x_{b(k-1)} \oplus x_{b(k-1)+1} \\ y_2 &= x_2 \oplus a_2 x_3 \oplus \dots \oplus a_{b(k-1)} x_{b(k-1)+1} \oplus x_{b(k-1)+2} \\ &\vdots \\ y_b &= x_b \oplus a_2 x_{b+1} \oplus \dots \oplus a_{b(k-1)} x_{bk-1} \oplus x_{bk} \end{cases}$$

Characterization of LBCA Latin Hypercubes

Matrix associated to the reduced system obtained by leaving free only the variables of the $(i+1)$ -th block, $1 \leq i \leq k-2$:

$$M_{F,i} = \begin{pmatrix} a_{bi+1} & a_{bi+2} & \cdots & a_{b(i+1)-1} \\ a_{bi} & a_{bi+1} & \cdots & a_{b(i+1)-2} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ a_{b(i-1)+2} & a_{b(i-1)+3} & \cdots & a_{bi+1} \end{pmatrix}$$

Theorem

The hypercube generated by a LBCA $F : \mathbb{F}_q^{bk} \rightarrow \mathbb{F}_q^b$ with rule $f : \mathbb{F}_q^{b(k-1)+1} \rightarrow \mathbb{F}_q$ is a k -dimensional Latin hypercube of order $N = q^b$ if and only if all Toeplitz matrices $M_{F,i}$ are invertible.

Adjacent Matrices Coefficients

Remark: the matrices $M_{F,i}, M_{F,i+1}$ share the coefficients respectively on the upper and lower triangular parts:

$$M_{F,i} = \begin{pmatrix} a_{bi+1} & \mathbf{a}_{bi+2} & \cdots & \mathbf{a}_{b(i+1)} \\ a_{bi} & a_{bi+1} & \cdots & \mathbf{a}_{b(i+1)-1} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ a_{b(i-1)+2} & a_{b(i-1)+3} & \cdots & a_{bi+1} \end{pmatrix}$$

$$M_{F,i+1} = \begin{pmatrix} a_{b(i+1)+1} & a_{b(i+1)+2} & \cdots & a_{b(i+2)} \\ \mathbf{a}_{b(i+1)} & a_{b(i+1)+1} & \cdots & a_{b(i+2)-1} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ \mathbf{a}_{bi+2} & \mathbf{a}_{bi+3} & \cdots & a_{b(i+1)+1} \end{pmatrix}$$

Determinant Boolean Function

- ▶ Let $\det(a_2, \dots, a_{2b})$ be the **Boolean function** associating to each $b \times b$ Toeplitz matrix its determinant, 0 or 1

Example: $b = 2$

$$M_F = \begin{pmatrix} a_3 & a_4 \\ a_2 & a_3 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\det(a_2, a_3, a_4) = a_3 \oplus a_2 a_4$$

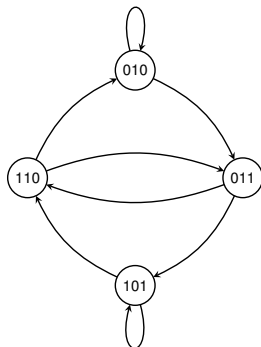
a_2	a_3	a_4	$\det(a_2, a_3, a_4)$
0	0	0	0
1	0	0	0
0	1	0	1
1	1	0	1
0	0	1	0
1	0	1	1
0	1	1	1
1	1	1	0

- ▶ The **support** of $\det(\cdot)$ defines the invertible matrices
- ▶ $\det(\cdot)$ is always **balanced**

De Bruijn Graph of Determinant

Latin hypercubes of dimension k correspond to paths of length $k - 3$ on the **De Bruijn Graph** G_{det} of the support of $det(\cdot)$:

a_2	a_3	a_4	$det(a_2, a_3, a_4)$
0	0	0	0
1	0	0	0
0	1	0	1
1	1	0	1
0	0	1	0
1	0	1	1
0	1	1	1
1	1	1	0



Example: the path $(0, 1, 0) - (0, 1, 1) - (1, 0, 1)$ gives rise to the $k = 5$ dimensional Latin hypercube of order 2^2 defined by

$$f(x_1, \dots, x_9) = x_1 \oplus x_3 \oplus x_5 \oplus x_6 \oplus x_8 \oplus x_9$$

Counting Latin Hypercubes

Lemma

The De Bruijn graph G_{det} of the determinant function det is $(q-1)q^{b-1}$ -regular for all $b \in \mathbb{N}$

Since the number of Latin hypercubes corresponds to the number of paths of length $k-3$ on G_{det} , we obtain

Theorem

The number of k -dimensional Latin hypercubes of order q^b generated by LBCA $F : \mathbb{F}_q^{bk} \rightarrow \mathbb{F}_q^b$ with rule $f : \mathbb{F}_q^{b(k-1)+1} \rightarrow \mathbb{F}_q$ is

$$L_{b,k,q} = (q-1)^{k-2} q^{(k-1)(b-1)} .$$









Recap of the main results:

- ▶ We generalized the construction of Latin squares based on Bipermutive CA in [Mariot20] to Latin hypercubes of any dimensions
- ▶ For dimension $k = 3$, any LBCA whose central coefficients define an invertible Toeplitz matrix generates a Latin cube
- ▶ Latin hypercubes of dimension $k > 3$ induced by LBCA can be characterized by paths over the de Bruijn graph of the determinant function

Several interesting problems remain to be explored, such as:

- ▶ Design of an algorithm for constructing sequences of invertible Toeplitz matrices with overlapping coefficients
- ▶ Characterize sets of **Mutually Orthogonal** Latin hypercubes defined by LBCA, using e.g. the generalized resultant in [Deissler18]
- ▶ Analyze the cycle structure of the preimages of LBCA generating hypercubes [Mariot17a]
- ▶ Employ heuristic techniques to explore hypercubes based on *nonlinear CA* (e.g. Genetic Programming [Mariot17b])

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