

Ergodicité de certains automates cellulaires bruités

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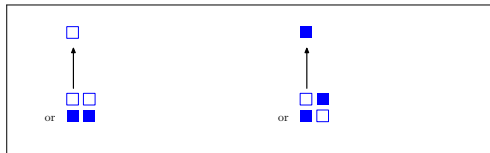
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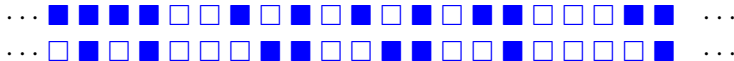
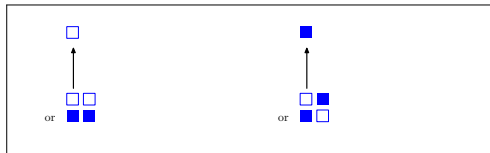
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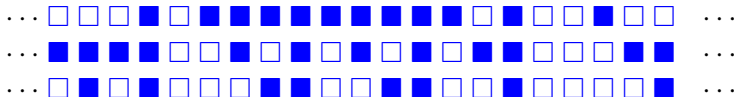
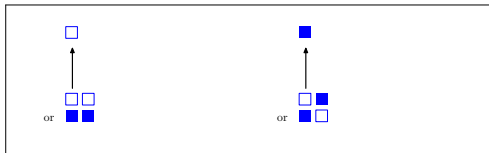
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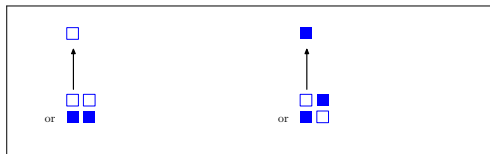


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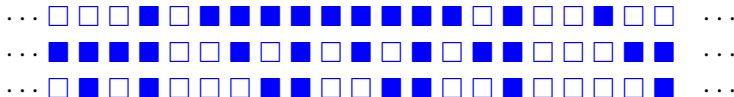


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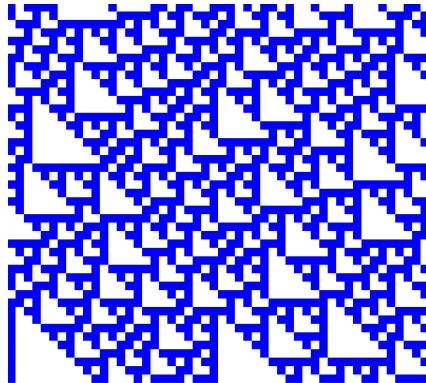




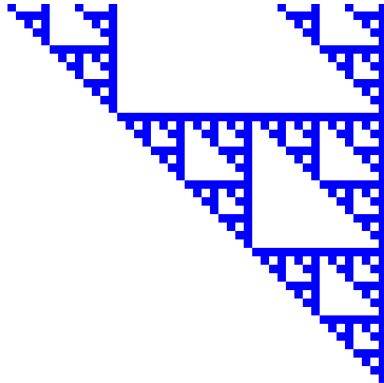
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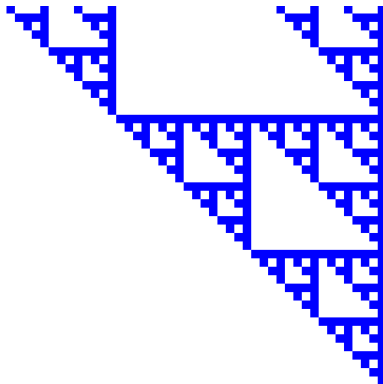


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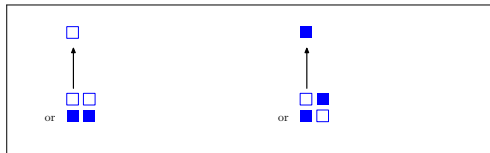
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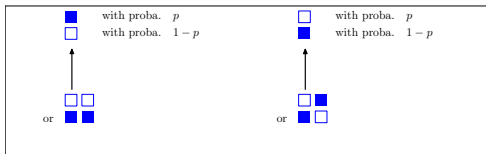


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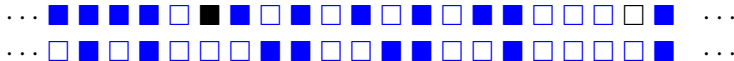
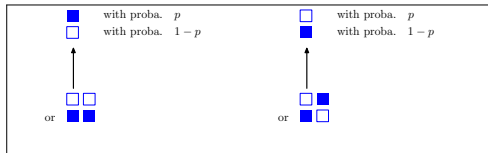
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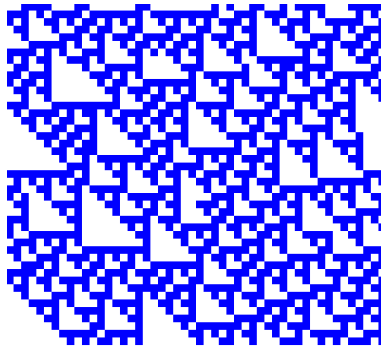
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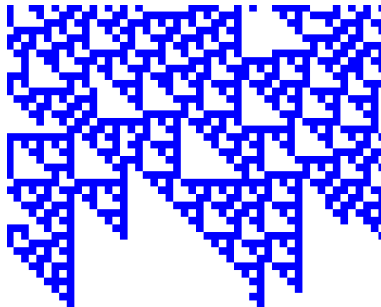
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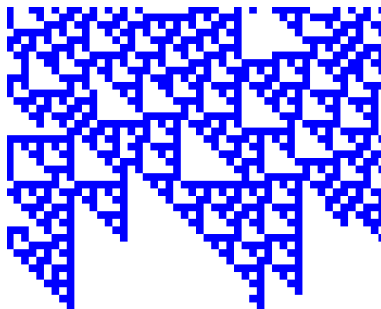
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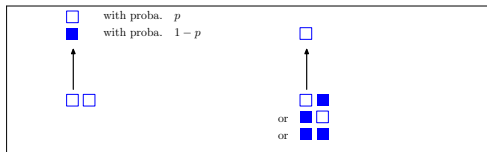


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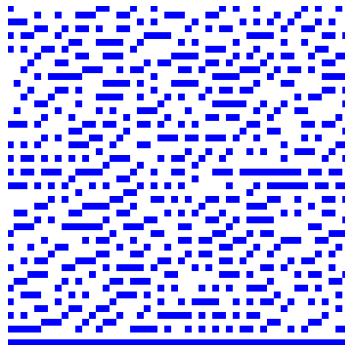
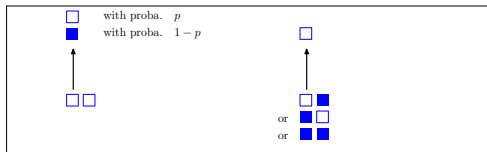


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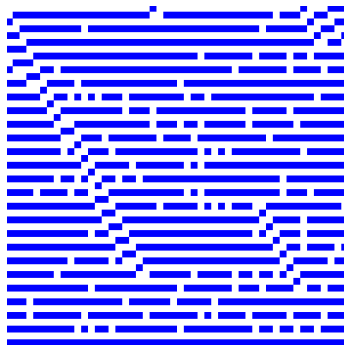
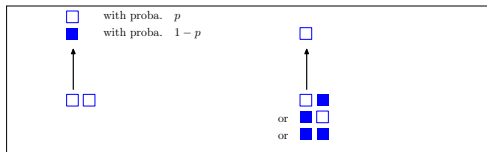


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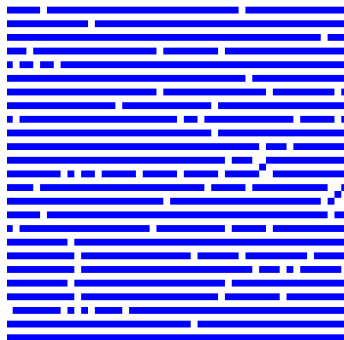
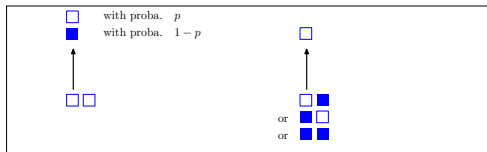
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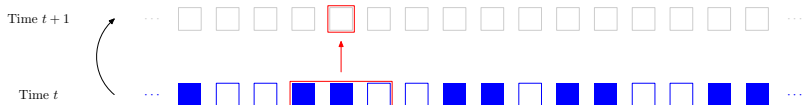
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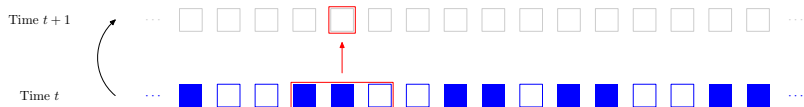
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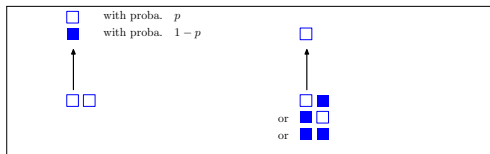
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simultaneously and independently of the other cells.



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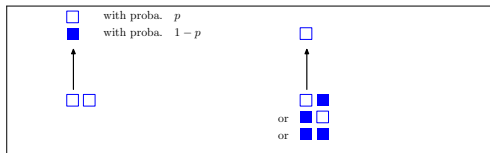
$$f : \{\blacksquare, \square\}^2 \rightarrow \mathcal{M}(\{\blacksquare, \square\})$$

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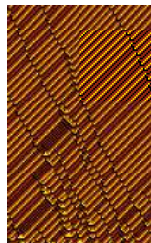
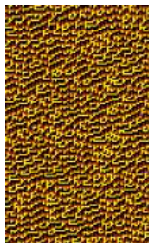
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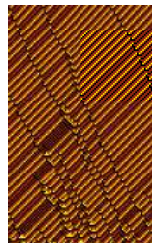
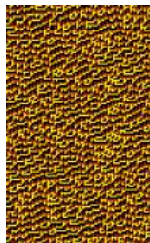
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Ergodicity

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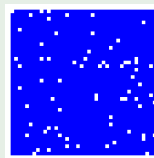
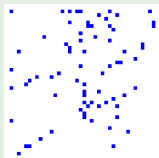
- it has a **unique invariant probability distribution** $\pi \in \mathcal{M}(\mathcal{A}^{\mathbb{Z}^d})$, such that $F\pi = \pi$,
- for any initial measure $\mu \in \mathcal{M}(\mathcal{A}^{\mathbb{Z}^d})$, the sequence of iterates $(F^n\mu)_{n \geq 0}$ **converges** weakly to π .

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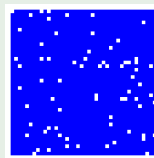
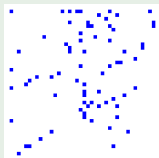
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Corollary (with [Kari 1992])

The ergodicity of one-dimensional deterministic CA (and hence of PCA) is undecidable.

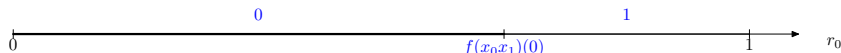
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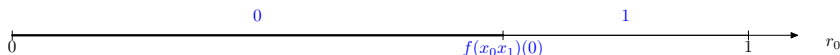
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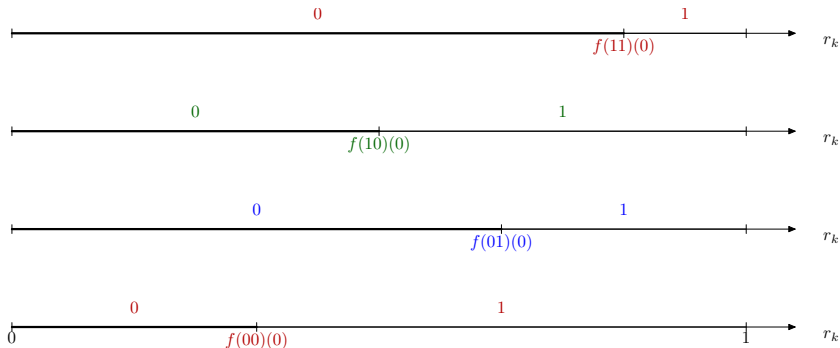


It defines an **update function** for F , given by:

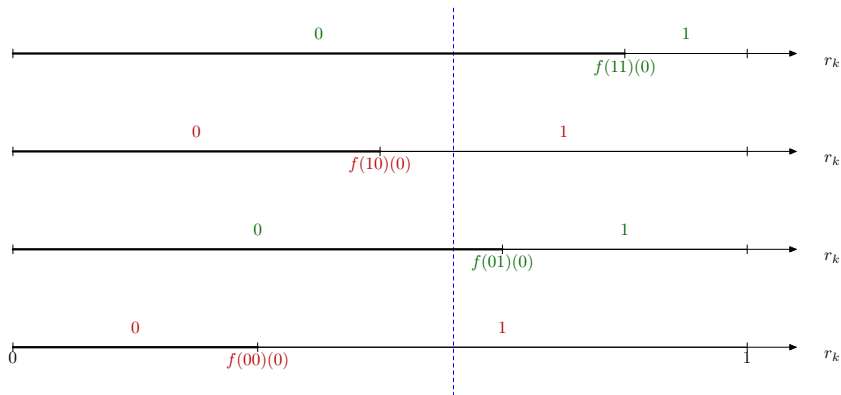
$$\phi : \mathcal{A}^{\mathbb{Z}} \times [0, 1]^{\mathbb{Z}} \rightarrow \mathcal{A}^{\mathbb{Z}}$$

$$\phi(x, r)_k = \begin{cases} \mathbf{0} & \text{if } r_k < f((x_i)_{i \in k+\mathcal{N}})(0) \\ \mathbf{1} & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

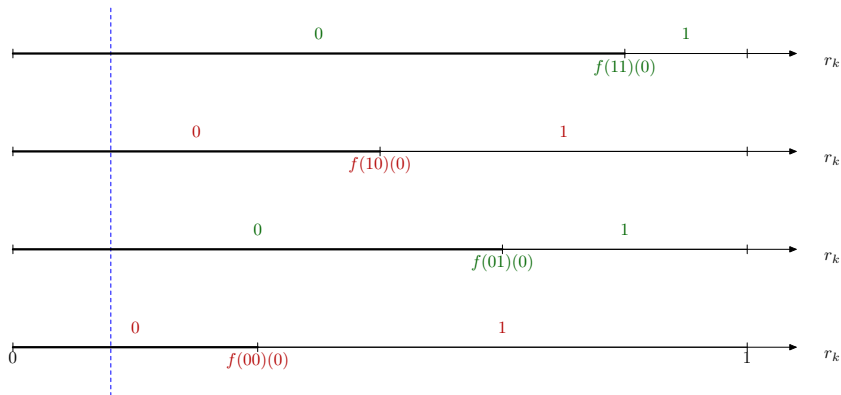
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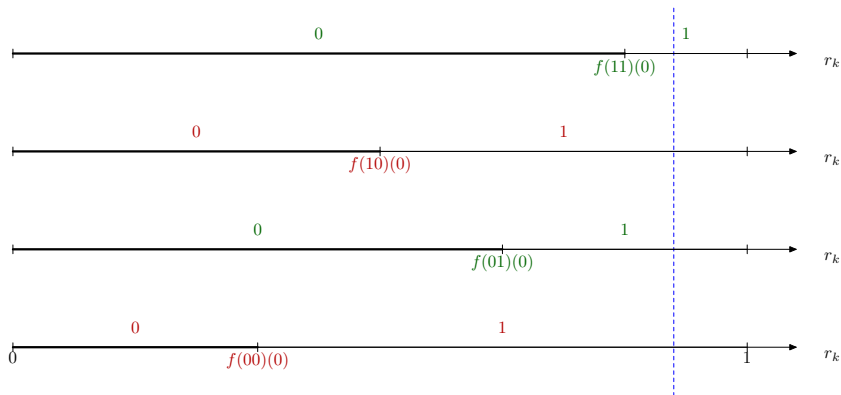
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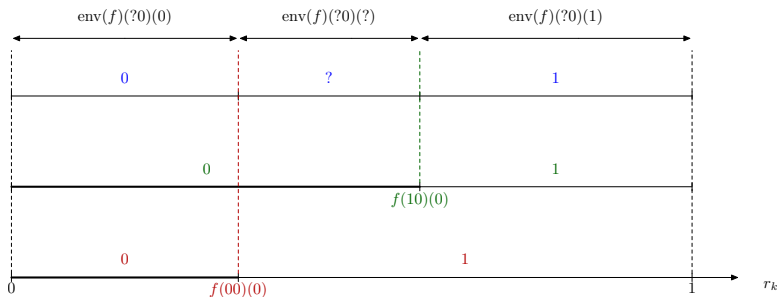
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Introduction of an **envelope PCA** defined on the alphabet

$$\mathcal{B} = \{0 = \{0\}, 1 = \{1\}, ? = \{0, 1\}\},$$

to handle configurations partially known.



The update function $\tilde{\phi}$ of $\text{env}(P)$ satisfies for $x \in \mathcal{A}^{\mathbb{Z}}$ and $y \in \mathcal{B}^{\mathbb{Z}}$,

$$x \in y \Rightarrow \forall r \in [0, 1]^{\mathbb{Z}}, \phi(x, r) \in \tilde{\phi}(y, r).$$

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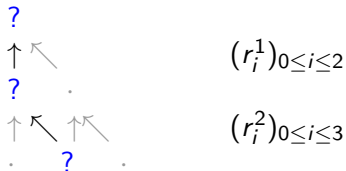
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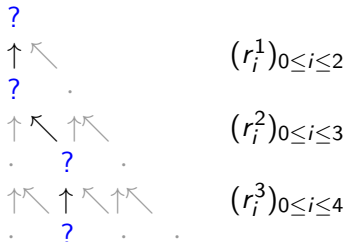
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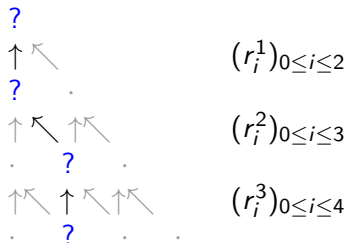
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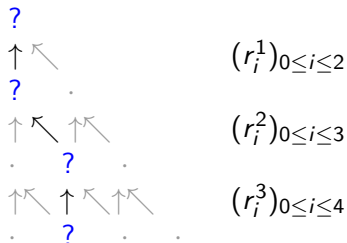


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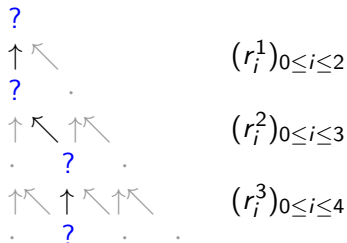
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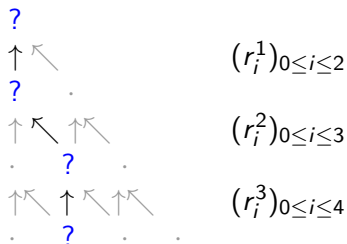


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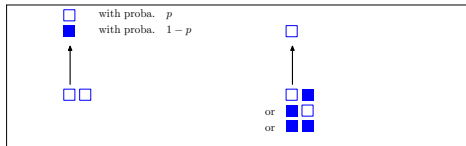
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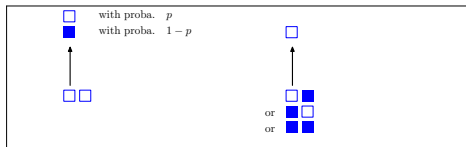
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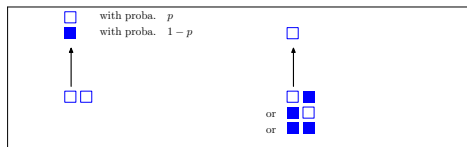
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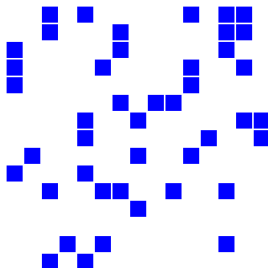
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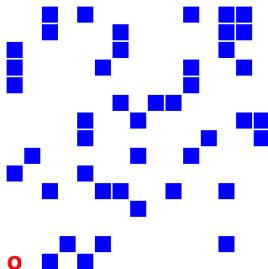
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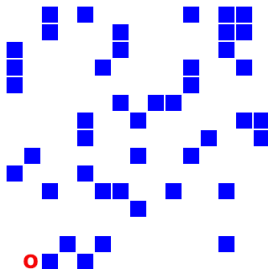
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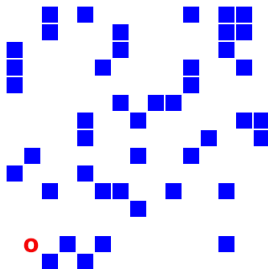
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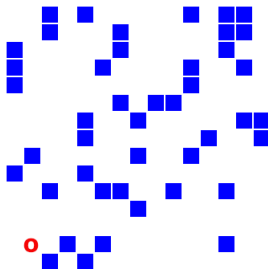
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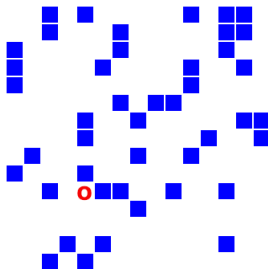
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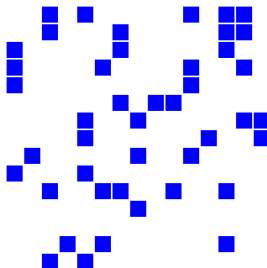
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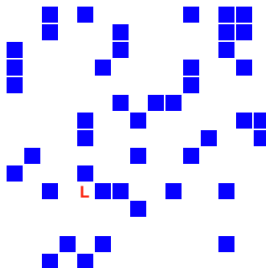
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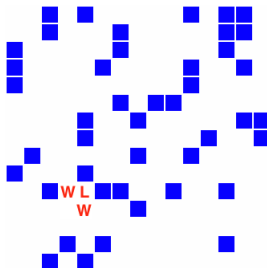
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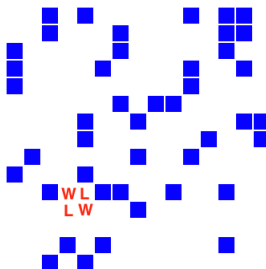
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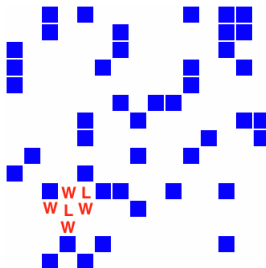
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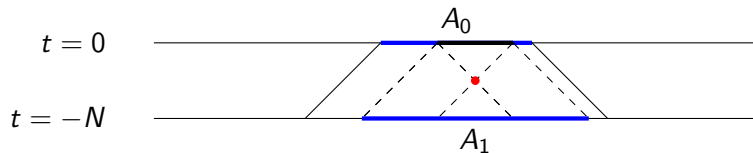
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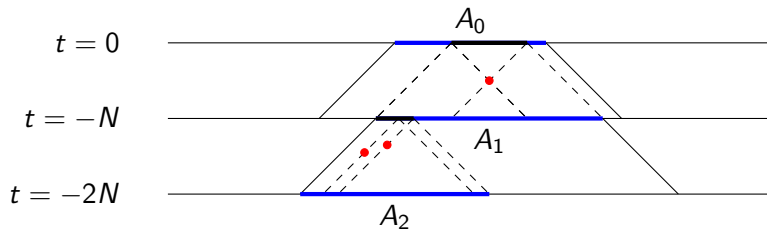
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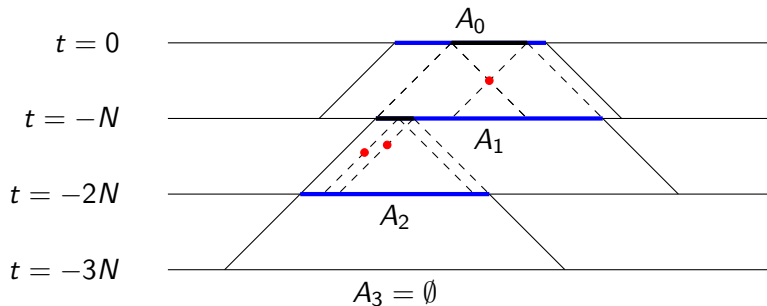
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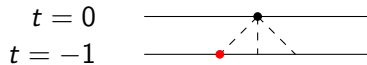
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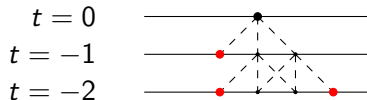
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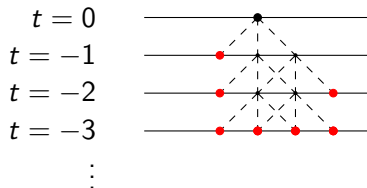
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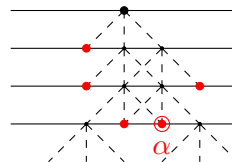
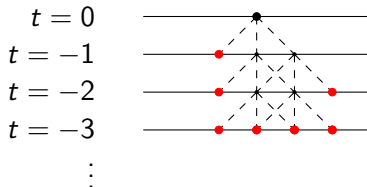
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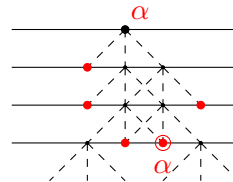
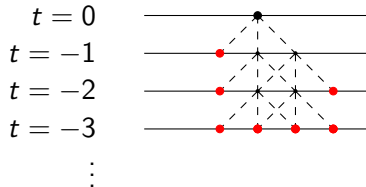
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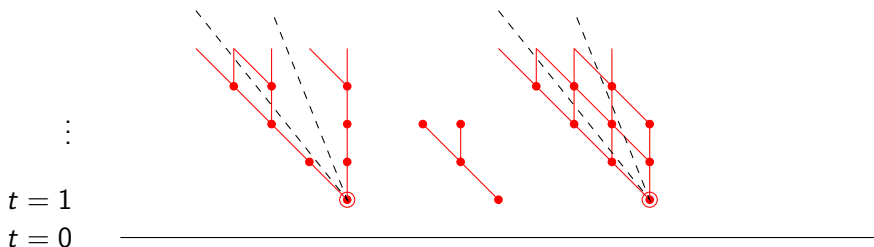


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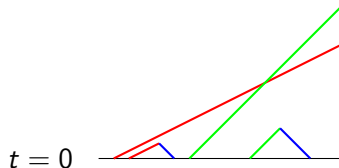
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In particular, for $\nu = \lambda_n$ (uniform measure on $\mathcal{A}^n$), we obtain that for any distribution μ on $\mathcal{A}^n$ and any $a_1, \dots, a_t \in \mathcal{A}$,

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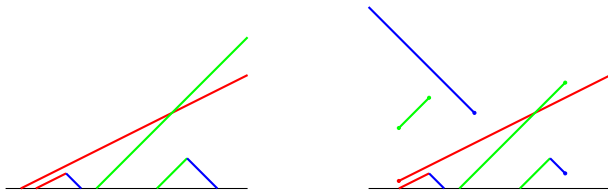
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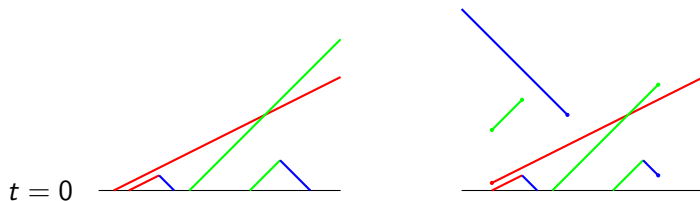


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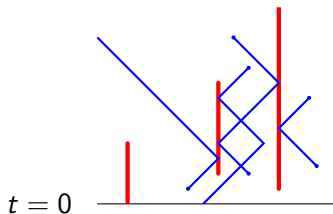
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