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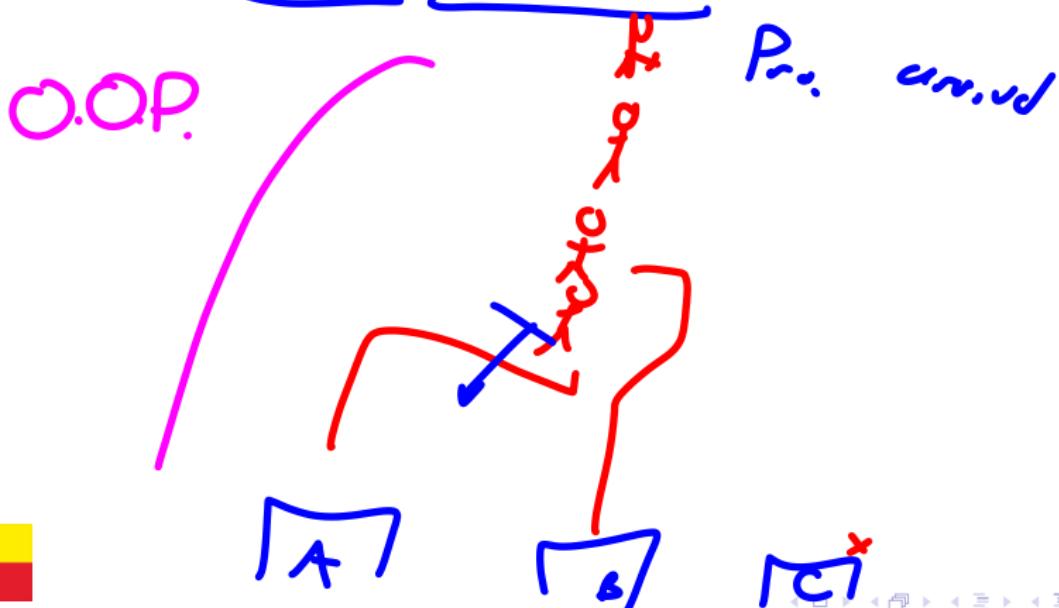
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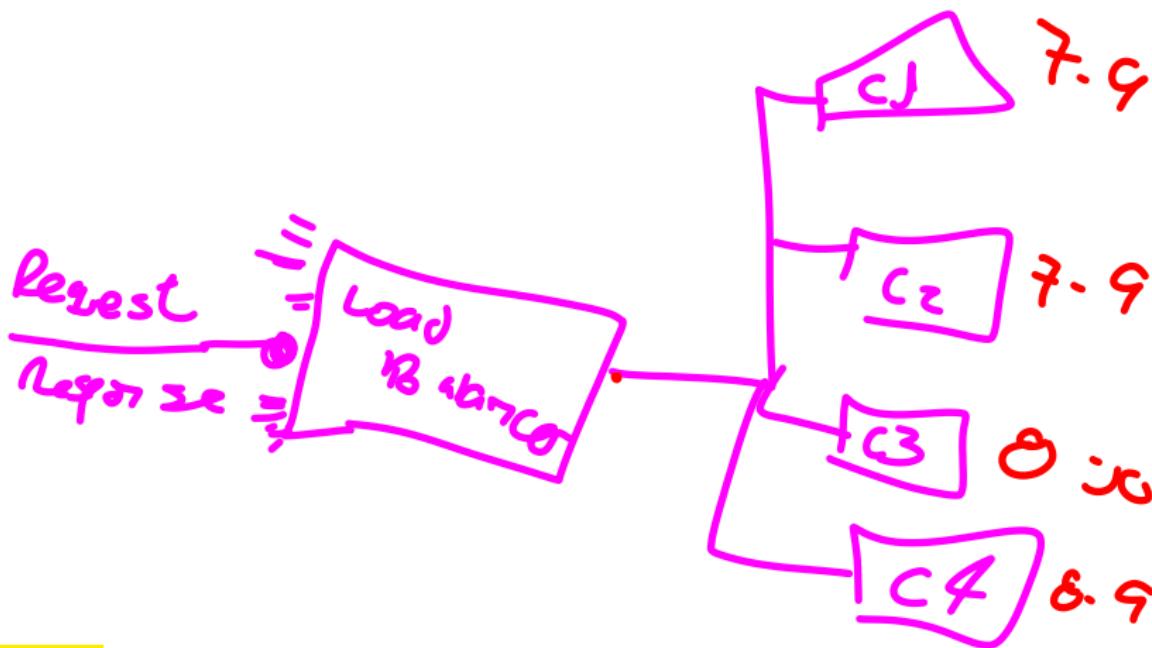


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- The state of a cell is updated based on the states of its neighbors.

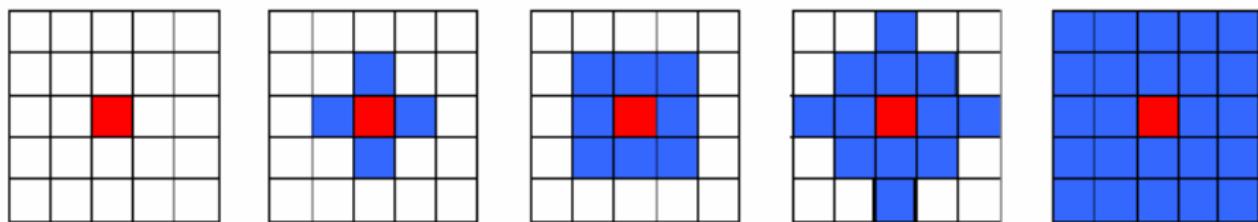


Figure: Cellular Automata Typical Neighborhoods



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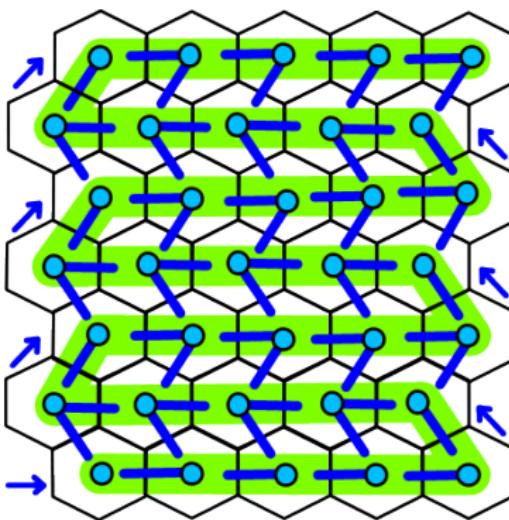
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HoneyComb Cellular Automata

- **HoneyComb Cellular Automata** is a different topology where a cell has **six neighbors**.
- This representation has different **dispersion properties**, which can be more interesting.



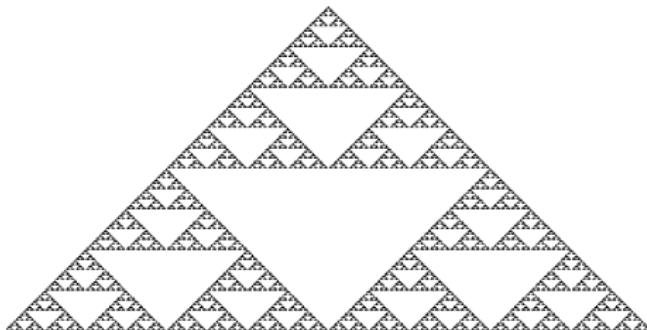
SIR Model

- **SIR Model** is a compartmental model used to represent the transmission of a contagious disease.
- The **model** divides the population into three compartments: **S** for the number of **susceptible individuals**, **I** for the number of **infected individuals**, and **R** for the number of **recovered individuals**.
- The model is defined by the following differential equations where β is the **transmission rate** and γ is the **recovery rate**:
 - $\frac{dS}{dt} = -\beta \cdot S \cdot I$
 - $\frac{dI}{dt} = \beta \cdot S \cdot I - \gamma \cdot I$
 - $\frac{dR}{dt} = \gamma \cdot I$



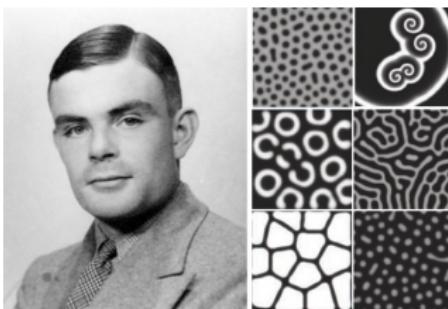
Chaotic Systems

- **Chaotic Systems** are a class of **dynamical systems** that exhibit **sensitive dependence** on initial conditions.
- This means that the **future behavior** of the system is **highly dependent** on the **initial conditions**.
- The **Lorenz System** is a well-known example of a **chaotic system**.
- Using **cellular automata** to simulate **chaotic systems** is a common practice. Many **fractals** can be created using what are called **chaotic rules**.



Turing Morphogenesis

- **Turing Morphogenesis** is a theory of biological development that explains how **patterns** form in **living** organisms.
- The theory is based on the idea that **chemical signals** can interact to create **patterns** in living organisms.
- The **reaction-diffusion** model is a common way to simulate **Turing morphogenesis**.
- The model is defined by a set of **reaction** and **diffusion** equations that describe how the **chemical signals** interact.



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What are Digital Twins?

- A **Digital Twin** is a *virtual model* that accurately reflects a physical object or **system**.
- **Digital twins** enable **real-time monitoring**, **simulation**, and **analysis** of the physical counterpart.
- They are widely used in **manufacturing**, **smart cities**, **healthcare**, and **energy systems**.
- By integrating sensor data, **digital twins** help in predictive maintenance and process optimization.



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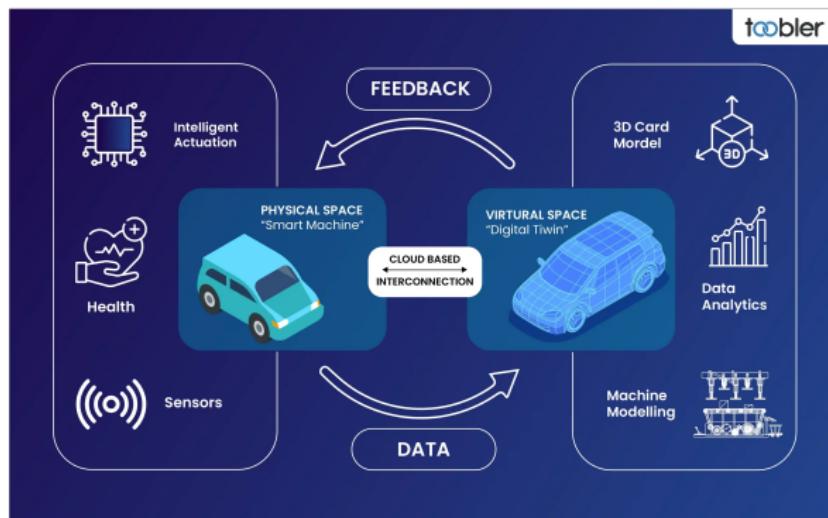
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Benefits of Digital Twins

- Enhanced **decision-making** through **real-time data analysis**.
- Improved efficiency and reduced operational costs.
- *Better understanding* of system behavior and performance.
- Increased collaboration between teams and stakeholders.



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