



MINI-PROJECT
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Conway's Game of Life: Exploring Cellular Automata



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What is Conway's Game of Life?

- Definition: Conway's Game of Life is a mathematical model and cellular automaton devised by mathematician John Conway in 1970.
- It's not a traditional "game," but rather a simulation of cell evolution based on simple rules.

Basic Rules of the Game



- Birth: A dead cell with exactly three live neighbors becomes a live cell.
- Survival: A live cell with two or three live neighbors remains alive.
- Death: All other live cells die or remain dead.





Visualization and Simulation.

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- The game is played on a two-dimensional grid of cells.
 - Cells can be in two states: alive (filled) or dead (empty).
 - Simulation progresses in discrete time steps, with cell states evolving based on neighboring cells
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ADVANTAGES



Importance of Conway's Game of Life

Emergent Behavior: Simple rules lead to complex and unpredictable patterns.

Model for Complex Systems: Serves as a model for various natural systems.

Scientific Applications: Used in biology, physics, and other fields to study pattern formation

Cellular Automata in Science

Real-world significance
- Simulating population growth and decline.

Studying pattern formation in biological systems

Patterns and Structures

Blinkers, gliders, spaceships, and oscillators.

Building blocks for creating more intricate structures

Turing Completeness

Concept of Turing completeness: A system that can simulate any computation.

Remarkably, Conway's Game of Life is Turing complete, showcasing its computational power.

Creative and Artistic Exploration

Beyond science: Game of Life's creative applications.

Generating aesthetic patterns and designs



Real-World Applications

Practical uses:

- Modeling predator-prey relationships.
- Image processing for pattern recognition



Conclusion

- Recap: We've explored the significance of Conway's Game of Life.
- Ongoing relevance: Continues to inspire research, creativity, and computational exploration.



WORKING COMMANDS

COMMANDS :-

- 1. Spacebar:** While the simulation is running, press the spacebar to pause it. Press it again to resume the simulation.
- 2. 'c':** While the simulation is running, press the 'c' key to clear the grid (set all cells to dead).
- 3. 'r':** While the simulation is running, press the 'r' key to randomize the grid (set cells to either alive or dead randomly).
- 4. Mouse Click:** While the simulation is running, click on a cell in the grid to toggle its state between alive and dead. This allows you to interactively modify the grid.

CODE



```
1 import pygame
2 import numpy as np
3
4 # Initialize pygame
5 pygame.init()
6
7 # Set up display
8 width, height = 800, 600
9 screen = pygame.display.set_mode((width, height))
10 pygame.display.set_caption("Game of Life")
11
12 # Set cell size and grid dimensions
13 cell_size = 10
14 cols, rows = width // cell_size, height // cell_size
15
16 # Create grid and initialize variables
17 grid = np.zeros((rows, cols), dtype=int)
18 running = False
19 clear_grid = False
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21 # Define colors
22 BLACK = (0, 0, 0)
23 WHITE = (255, 255, 255)
24
25 # Main loop
26 clock = pygame.time.Clock()
27 while True:
28     screen.fill(BLACK)
29
30     for event in pygame.event.get():
31         if event.type == pygame.QUIT:
32             pygame.quit()
33             exit()
34         elif event.type == pygame.MOUSEBUTTONDOWN and not running:
35             if event.button == 1: # Left mouse button
36                 row = event.pos[1] // cell_size
37                 col = event.pos[0] // cell_size
38                 grid[row, col] = 1 - grid[row, col]
39         elif event.type == pygame.MOUSEMOTION and pygame.mouse.get_pressed()[0] and not running:
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39     elif event.type == pygame.MOUSEMOTION and pygame.mouse.get_pressed()[0] and not running:
40         row = event.pos[1] // cell_size
41         col = event.pos[0] // cell_size
42         grid[row, col] = 1
43
44     elif event.type == pygame.KEYDOWN:
45         if event.key == pygame.K_SPACE:
46             running = not running
47         elif event.key == pygame.K_c:
48             grid = np.zeros((rows, cols), dtype=int)
49         elif event.key == pygame.K_UP:
50             clock.tick(30) # Increase the simulation speed
51         elif event.key == pygame.K_DOWN:
52             clock.tick(5) # Decrease the simulation speed
53
54     if running:
55         new_grid = np.copy(grid)
56
57         for row in range(rows):
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57     for row in range(rows):
58         for col in range(cols):
59             x = col * cell_size
60             y = row * cell_size
61
62             # Draw cells
63             if grid[row, col] == 1:
64                 pygame.draw.rect(screen, WHITE, (x, y, cell_size, cell_size))
65
66             # Count live neighbors
67             neighbors = np.sum(grid[max(0, row - 1):min(rows, row + 2),
68                                 max(0, col - 1):min(cols, col + 2)]) - grid[row, col]
69
70             # Apply Game of Life rules
71             if grid[row, col] == 1 and (neighbors < 2 or neighbors > 3):
72                 new_grid[row, col] = 0
73             elif grid[row, col] == 0 and neighbors == 3:
74                 new_grid[row, col] = 1
75
76             grid = new_grid
77
78             pygame.display.flip()
79
80             clock.tick(100) # Adjust the speed of the simulation here
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OUTPUT





Thank you



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