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# PHY104b Project Prompt 5:  
# Write a code which simulates the 'Game of Life'.  
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%pylab inline  
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt  
import matplotlib.animation as animation  
set_printoptions(threshold=sys.maxsize)
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Populating the interactive namespace from numpy and matplotlib

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N = 64 # size of game board  
  
np.random.seed(123456789) # establish seed for consistent results  
  
def random(N): # creates random matrix of size N with equal probability of cells being 1(alive) or 0(dead)  
    board = np.random.choice([0,1],size=(N,N),p=[.5,.5])  
    return board  
  
def update(frame): # function that updates game of life board when called  
    global board,img_plot # defines board and image frame as global variable for coding simplicity  
    updateboard = np.array([]) # creates new board used to update existing board  
    if(frame < 5): # pauses board for roughly half a second before animation starts (helpful visually)  
        updateboard = board  
    else:  
        for i in range(N):  
            updaterow = np.array([]) # update board will be appended row by row  
            for j in range(N): # have to calculate number of neighbors to enforce game of life rules  
                # there are many boundary conditions that must be accounted for to ensure accurate data  
                # I have marked each boundary condition (each side and corner) with comments below:  
                if((i+1)>=N):  
                    if((j+1)>=N):  
                        neighbors = ((board[i-1,j-1]) + (board[i-1,j]) + (board[i,j-1])) # for bottom right corner element  
                    elif((j-1)<0):  
                        neighbors = ((board[i-1,j]) + (board[i-1,j+1]) + (board[i,j+1])) # for bottom left corner element  
                    else:  
                        neighbors = ((board[i-1,j-1]) + (board[i-1,j]) + (board[i-1,j+1]) + (board[i,j-1]) +  
                                    (board[i,j+1])) # for bottom row  
                elif((j+1)>=N):  
                    if((i-1)<0):
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        neighbors = ((board[i,j-1]) + (board[i+1,j-1]) + (board[i+1,j])) # for top right corner element
    else:
        neighbors = ((board[i-1,j-1]) + (board[i-1,j]) + (board[i,j-1]) +
                     (board[i+1,j-1]) + (board[i+1,j])) # for right-most column
elif((j-1)<0):
    if((i-1)<0):
        neighbors = ((board[i,j+1]) + (board[i+1,j]) + (board[i+1,j+1])) # for top left corner element
    else:
        neighbors = ((board[i-1,j]) + (board[i-1,j+1]) + (board[i,j+1]) +
                     (board[i+1,j]) + (board[i+1,j+1])) # for left-most column
elif((i-1)<0):
    neighbors = ((board[i,j-1]) + (board[i,j+1]) + (board[i+1,j-1]) +
                 (board[i+1,j]) + (board[i+1,j+1])) # for top row
else:
    neighbors = ((board[i-1,j-1]) + (board[i-1,j]) + (board[i-1,j+1]) + (board[i,j-1]) +
                 (board[i,j+1]) + (board[i+1,j-1]) + (board[i+1,j]) + (board[i+1,j+1])) # every other box

if((board[i,j]==1):
    if(neighbors < 2):
        # If cell is ON and has fewer than 2 neighbors that are ON, it turns OFF
        updaterow = np.append(updaterow,0)
    elif((neighbors == 2) or (neighbors == 3)):
        # If cell is ON and has 2 or 3 neighbors that are ON, it stays ON
        updaterow = np.append(updaterow,1)
    elif(neighbors > 3):
        # If cell is ON and has more than 3 neighbors that are ON, it turns OFF
        updaterow = np.append(updaterow,0)
elif((board[i,j]==0):
    if(neighbors == 3):
        # If cell is OFF and has exactly 3 neighbors that are ON, it turns ON
        updaterow = np.append(updaterow,1)
    else:
        # If cell is OFF and has more/less than 3 neighbors that are ON, it stays OFF
        updaterow = np.append(updaterow,0)

if(i==0):
    updateboard = np.append(updateboard,updaterow) # appends first row directly to update board
elif(i>0):
    updateboard = np.vstack([updateboard,updaterow]) # appends each preceeding line row by row
board = updateboard # overwrites old board with new board
img_plot.set_data(updateboard) # creates an image frame of this board

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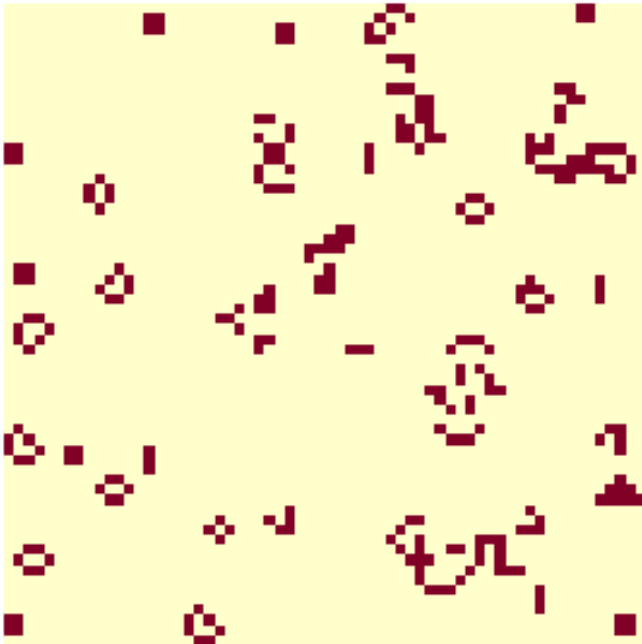
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    return img_plot, # returns cell map as an image frame to be called in animate function

def animate(N): # function that animates game of life by creating a gif
    global board, img_plot # defines existing global variables
    board = random(N) # creates random board using existing function
    fig, ax = plt.subplots()
    img_plot = ax.imshow(board, interpolation='nearest', cmap='YlOrRd') # creates image
    plt.axis('off') # removes numbers on axes for cleaner look
    anim = animation.FuncAnimation(fig, frames=100, func=update, interval=100)
    # above line animates the board over 100 preceeding frames at 100ms intervals
    # using my update function. FuncAnimation found from animate.py file in canvas notes.
    plt.tight_layout() # allows image to scale properly
    anim.save('conwaytest.gif') # saves animation frames to gif
    plt.show() # displays image
    return anim # returns gif
    # gif will be stored wherever your code saves, or if using jupyter notebook it will store there

animate(N) # Creates the animation in one line

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Out[42]: <matplotlib.animation.FuncAnimation at 0x7d80336b3eb0>

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