

SUPPLEMENTARY MATERIALS:
Predator-Prey Oscillations in a Cellular Automaton of Huffakers Mite Experiment

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SM1. Extinction Trial Data.

Table SM1

24x20 grid size, no posts, -1 predator energy per timestep

	Both Ext Imm	Both Ext	Prey Ext	Pred Ext Imm	Pred Ext	No Ext
1,1,1	100	0	0	0	0	0
1,1,10	89	9	0	0	0	2
1,10,1	4	0	0	93	3	0
1,10,10	0	10	0	51	6	33
10,1,1	0	0	100	0	0	0
10,1,10	72	0	28	0	0	0
10,10,1	0	0	100	0	0	0
10,10,10	36	1	0	62	1	0

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SM2. Oscillation Trial Data without Posts.

Table SM2

36x30 grid size, no posts, -1 predator energy per timestep

	Both Ext Imm	Both Ext	Prey Ext	Pred Ext Imm	Pred Ext	No Ext
1,1,1	98	2	0	0	0	0
1,1,10	25	11	0	0	0	64
1,10,1	0	0	0	100	0	0
1,10,10	0	0	0	95	0	5
10,1,1	0	0	100	0	0	0
10,1,10	86	0	14	0	0	0
10,10,1	0	0	100	0	0	0
10,10,10	21	6	0	40	6	27

SM3. Oscillation Trial Data with Posts.

Table SM3

36x30 grid size, with posts, -1 predator energy per timestep.

	Both Ext Imm	Both Ext	Prey Ext	Pred Ext Imm	Pred Ext	No Ext
1,1,1	2	0	0	0	0	98
1,1,10	49	46	0	0	0	5
1,10,1	0	0	0	74	22	4
1,10,10	61	0	0	39	0	0
10,1,1	0	0	100	0	0	0
10,1,10	57	0	43	0	0	0
10,10,1	0	0	100	0	0	0
10,10,10	60	0	0	40	0	0

Table SM4

36x30 grid size, with posts, -2 predator energy per timestep. Total oscillations: 85

	Both Ext Imm	Both Ext	Prey Ext	Pred Ext Imm	Pred Ext	No Ext
2,2,20	15	20	0	0	0	65

SM4. Python Code.

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4 ### Modified from http://scipython.com/blog/wa-tor-world/
5 /Users/haleyzsoldos/PycharmProjects/fishshark/main.py
6 import random
7 import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
8 from matplotlib.colors import LinearSegmentedColormap
9 from matplotlib import animation
10 from matplotlib import colors
11 import numpy as np
12
13 EMPTY = 0
14 PREY = 1
15 PREDATOR = 2
16
17 # Color the cells for the above states in this order:
18 colors = ['sandybrown', 'mediumseagreen', 'crimson']
19 n_bin = 3
20 cm = LinearSegmentedColormap.from_list(
21     'wator_cmap', colors, N=n_bin)
22
23 # # Run the simulation for MAX_CHRONONS chronons (time intervals).
24 MAX_CHRONONS = 500
25
26 # parameters
27 # NOTE: make sure parameters match those in line 300
28 # NOTE: PREY INITIAL ENERGY IS ARBITRARY
29 initial_energies = {PREY: 10, PREDATOR: 1}
30 fertility_thresholds = {PREY: 1, PREDATOR: 10}
31
32
33 class Mite:
34     def __init__(self, id, x, y, init_energy, fertility_threshold):
35         """Initialize the mite.
36
37         id is an integer identifying the mite.
38 x, y is the mite's position in the world grid.
39 init_energy is the mite's initial energy: this decreases by 1
40     each time the mite moves and if it reaches 0 the mite dies.
41 fertility_threshold: each chronon, the mite's fertility increases
42     by 1. When it reaches fertility_threshold, the mite reproduces.
43
44         """
45
46         self.id = id
47         self.x, self.y = x, y
48         self.energy = init_energy
49         self.fertility_threshold = fertility_threshold

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50     self.fertility = 0
51     self.dead = False
52
53
54 class World:
55     def __init__(self, width=24, height=20):
56         """Initialize (but don't populate) the Wa-Tor world."""
57
58         self.width, self.height = width, height
59         self.ncells = width * height
60         self.grid = [[EMPTY] * width for y in range(height)]
61         self.mites = []
62
63     def spawn_mite(self, mite_id, x, y):
64         """Spawn a mite of type ID mite_id at location x,y."""
65
66         mite = Mite(mite_id, x, y,
67                    initial_energies[mite_id],
68                    fertility_thresholds[mite_id])
69         self.mites.append(mite)
70         self.grid[y][x] = mite
71
72     def populate_world(self, nprey=120, npredators=27):
73         """Populate the Wa-Tor world with prey and predators."""
74
75         self.nprey, self.npredators = nprey, npredators
76
77     def place_mites(nmites, mite_id):
78         """Place nmites of type ID mite_id in the Wa-Tor world."""
79
80         for i in range(nmites):
81             while True:
82                 x, y = divmod(random.randrange(self.ncells), self.height)
83                 if not self.grid[y][x]:
84                     self.spawn_mite(mite_id, x, y)
85                     break
86         place_mites(self.nprey, PREY)
87         place_mites(self.npredators, PREDATOR)
88
89     def get_world_image_array(self):
90         """Return a 2D array of mite type IDs from the world grid."""
91         return [[self.grid[y][x].id if self.grid[y][x] else 0
92                 for x in range(self.width)] for y in range(self.height)]
93
94     def get_world_image(self):
95         """Create a Matplotlib figure plotting the world."""
96
97         im = self.get_world_image_array()
98         fig = plt.figure(figsize=(8.3333, 6.25), dpi=72)

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99     ax = fig.add_subplot(111)
100    ax.imshow(im, interpolation='nearest', cmap=cm)
101    # Remove ticks, border, axis frame, etc
102    ax.set_xticks([])
103    ax.set_yticks([])
104    ax.axis('off')
105    return fig
106
107    def show_world(self):
108        """Show the world as a Matplotlib image."""
109
110        fig = self.get_world_image()
111        plt.show()
112        # plt.close(fig)
113
114    def save_world(self, filename):
115        """Save a Matplotlib image of the world as filename."""
116
117        fig = self.get_world_image()
118        # NB Ensure there's no padding around the image plot
119        plt.savefig(filename, bbox_inches='tight', dpi=72, pad_inches=0)
120        plt.close(fig)
121
122    def get_neighbours_prej(self, x, y):
123        """Return a dictionary of the contents of cells neighbouring (x,y).
124
125        The dictionary is keyed by the neighbour cell's position and contains
126        either EMPTY or the instance of the prey mite occupying that cell.
127
128        """
129        neighbours = {}
130        # post_pos = [(4, 7), (4, 16), (4, 25), (7, 4), (7, 13), (7, 22),
131        #             (16, 7), (16, 16), (16, 25), (19, 4), (19, 13), (19, 22),
132        #             (28, 7), (28, 16), (28, 25), (31, 4), (31, 13), (31, 22)]
133
134        for dx, dy in ((0, -1), (1, 0), (0, 1), (-1, 0)):
135            xp, yp = (x + dx) % self.width, (y + dy) % self.height
136            # If the mite is on a boundary and trying to move to the
137            # other side of the grid, prevent this from happening
138            if (x == 0) and (xp == self.width - 1):
139                continue
140            elif (xp == 0) and (x == self.width - 1):
141                continue
142            elif (y == 0) and (yp == self.height - 1):
143                continue
144            elif (yp == 0) and (y == self.height - 1):
145                continue
146            else:
147                neighbours[xp, yp] = self.grid[yp][xp]

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148     # Posts
149     # if (x, y) in post_pos:
150     #     temp = post_pos[:]
151     #     temp.remove((x, y))
152     #     for (x_pos, y_pos) in temp:
153     #         neighbours[x_pos, y_pos] = self.grid[y_pos][x_pos]
154     # else:
155     #     for (x_pos, y_pos) in post_pos:
156     #         neighbours[x_pos, y_pos] = self.grid[y_pos][x_pos]
157     return neighbours
158
159 def get_neighbours_predator(self, x, y):
160     """Return a dictionary of the contents of cells neighbouring (x,y).
161
162     The dictionary is keyed by the neighbour cell's position and contains
163     either EMPTY or the instance of the predator mite occupying that cell.
164
165     """
166     neighbours = {}
167     for dx, dy in ((0, -1), (1, 0), (0, 1), (-1, 0)):
168         xp, yp = (x + dx) % self.width, (y + dy) % self.height
169         # If the mite is on a boundary and trying to move to the
170         # other side of the grid, prevent this from happening
171         if (x == 0) and (xp == self.width - 1):
172             continue
173         elif (xp == 0) and (x == self.width - 1):
174             continue
175         elif (y == 0) and (yp == self.height - 1):
176             continue
177         elif (yp == 0) and (y == self.height - 1):
178             continue
179         else:
180             neighbours[xp, yp] = self.grid[yp][xp]
181     return neighbours
182
183 def evolve_mite(self, mite):
184     """Evolve a given mite forward in time by one chronon."""
185     if mite.id == PREY:
186         neighbours = self.get_neighbours_preymite(mite.x, mite.y)
187     elif mite.id == PREDATOR:
188         neighbours = self.get_neighbours_predator(mite.x, mite.y)
189
190     mite.fertility += 1
191     moved = False
192     if mite.id == PREDATOR:
193         try:
194             # Try to pick a random prey to eat.
195             xp, yp = random.choice([pos
196                                     for pos in neighbours if neighbours[pos] !=

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197             EMPTY
198             and neighbours[pos].id == PREY])
199         # Eat the prey. Yum yum.
200         mite.energy += 1
201         self.grid[yp][xp].dead = True
202         self.grid[yp][xp] = EMPTY
203         moved = True
204     except IndexError:
205         # No prey to eat: just move to a vacant cell if possible.
206         pass
207
208     if not moved:
209         # Try to move to a vacant cell
210         try:
211             xp, yp = random.choice([pos
212                                     for pos in neighbours if neighbours[pos] ==
213                                     EMPTY])
214             if mite.id != PREY:
215                 # The predator's energy decreases when it moves.
216                 mite.energy -= 1
217             moved = True
218         except IndexError:
219             # Surrounding cells are all full: no movement.
220             xp, yp = mite.x, mite.y
221
222     if mite.energy <= 0:
223         # Mite dies.
224         mite.dead = True
225         self.grid[mite.y][mite.x] = EMPTY
226     elif moved:
227         # Remember the mite's old position.
228         x, y = mite.x, mite.y
229         # Set new position
230         mite.x, mite.y = xp, yp
231         self.grid[yp][xp] = mite
232         if mite.fertility >= mite.fertility_threshold:
233             # Spawn a new mite and reset fertility.
234             mite.fertility = 0
235             self.spawn_mite(mite.id, x, y)
236         else:
237             # Leave the old cell vacant.
238             self.grid[y][x] = EMPTY
239
240     def evolve_world(self):
241         """Evolve the world forward in time by one chronon."""
242
243         # Shuffle the mites grid so that we don't always evolve the same
244         # mites first.
245         random.shuffle(self.mites)

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246
247     # NB The self.mites list is going to grow as new mites are
248     # spawned, so loop over indices into the list as it stands now.
249     nmites = len(self.mites)
250     for i in range(nmites):
251         mite = self.mites[i]
252         if mite.dead:
253             # This mite has been eaten so skip it.
254             continue
255         self.evolve_mite(mite)
256
257     # Remove the dead mites
258     self.mites = [mite for mite in self.mites
259                  if not mite.dead]
260
261
262 # advance the world 1 time step
263 tots = []
264
265
266 def advance():
267     world.evolve_world()
268     X = world.get_world_image_array()
269     tots.append([sum([i.count(j) for i in X]) for j in range(3)])
270     return X
271
272 # %% Comment out below to run without animation
273 # The animation function: called to produce a frame for each generation.
274 def animate(i):
275     if i <= MAX_CHRONONS:
276         im.set_data(animate.X)
277         animate.X = advance()
278
279
280 # Initialize
281 world = World()
282 world.populate_world()
283
284 # Animation time. First plot IC
285 X = world.get_world_image_array()
286 fig = plt.figure(figsize=(25 / 3, 6.25))
287 ax = fig.add_subplot(111)
288 ax.set_axis_off()
289 im = ax.imshow(X, cmap=cm) # , interpolation='nearest'
290
291 # Bind our grid to the identifier X in the animate function's namespace.
292 animate.X = X
293
294 # Interval between frames (ms).
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295 interval = 100
296 anim = animation.FuncAnimation(fig, animate, frames=MAX_CHRONONS, interval=interval)
297 # plt.show()
298
299 anim.save('WaTor.gif', fps=15)
300
301 # %%
302
303 # Run the simulation for MAX_CHRONONS chronons (time intervals) - INTEGER
304 MAX_CHRONONS = 500
305
306 # parameters
307 # NOTE: PREY INITIAL ENERGY IS ARBITRARY
308 initial_energies = {PREY: 10, PREDATOR: 1}
309 fertility_thresholds = {PREY: 1, PREDATOR: 10}
310
311 # For loop intended for multiple test runs, in this case 100
312 # Comment out for loop and i variable if intent is to only run once
313 # for i in range(1, 101):
314 world = World()
315 world.populate_world()
316 X = world.get_world_image_array()
317 tots = []
318
319 # and run it
320 for jj in range(0, MAX_CHRONONS):
321     advance()
322
323 # %%#####
324 # now plot the predator-prey dynamics
325 atots = np.array(tots)
326 fig = plt.figure(figsize=(25 / 3, 6.25))
327 plt.plot(atots[:, 1], 'darkorange', linewidth=3, label='Prey')
328 plt.plot(atots[:, 2], '--k', linewidth=3, label='Predators')
329
330 plt.xlabel('Number of Timesteps', fontsize=24)
331 plt.ylabel('Pop. sizes', fontsize=24)
332 plt.xticks(fontsize=20)
333 plt.yticks(fontsize=20)
334 plt.axis([0, 500, 0, 1200])
335 plt.legend(loc=1, fontsize=20)
336 plt.tight_layout()
337 # Change file path to desired file you would like the graphs saved to
338 plt.savefig('test2.png', dpi=300) # comment for for loop
339 # plt.savefig('test_10_10_10_10/TimeSeries%d.png' % i) # uncomment for for loop
340 plt.close(fig)
341 # plt.show()
342

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