Cellular Automata. Homework 11 (4.4.2022)

- 1. Let (X, \mathcal{T}) be a topological space. Prove the following properties of the topological closure \overline{A} of $A \subseteq X$.
 - (a) If $A \subseteq B$ then $\overline{A} \subseteq \overline{B}$,
 - (b) $\overline{A \cup B} = \overline{A} \cup \overline{B}$,
 - (c) $\overline{\overline{A}} = \overline{A}$.
- 2. (a) Prove that in a metric space X, every compact $A \subseteq X$ is closed and bounded. (Bounded means that A is contained in some ε -ball.)
 - (b) Prove that the converse is not true: there is a metric space where a closed and bounded set is not necessarily compact.
- 3. Prove that a configuration is in the limit set of the traffic CA if and only if it does not contain consecutive 1's to the right of consecutive 0's, that is, no pattern

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appears in c. (Traffic CA is the elementary CA number 226.)

- 4. Determine the limit set of the majority CA (elementary CA number 232).
- 5. CA G is called *stable* if there exists $n \ge 0$ such that

$$\Omega_G = G^n(S^{\mathbb{Z}^d}),$$

where Ω_G is the limit set. Determine which of the following cellular automata are stable.

- (a) Elementary CA 128 (see Example 38, page 107).
- (b) Xor CA (=Elementary CA 102).
- (c) Majority CA. (=Elementary CA 232).
- 6. See the previous problem for the definition of stable CA.
 - (a) Show that all surjective CA are stable, and that all eventually periodic CA are stable.
 - (b) Prove that it is undecidable if a given one-dimensional CA is stable.
- 7. Prove that if the limit set of a CA is a subshift of finite type (SFT) then the CA is stable. (Recall that a subshift of finite type is defined by forbidding a finite number of finite patterns. In other words, SFT is the complement of $\bigcup_{\tau} \tau(C)$ for some clopen set C, where the union is over all translations.)