

Traversing a n -cube without Balanced Hamiltonian Cycle to Generate Pseudorandom Numbers

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Problematic

A (coarse) two steps approach

1. Sufficient conditions to retrieve Boolean maps whose graphs are strongly connected are given
2. Further filter those whose Markov matrix is doubly stochastic

Drawback

Delaying the second requirement to a final step whereas this is a necessary condition

Content of this work

A completely new approach to generate Boolean functions, whose Markov matrix is doubly stochastic and whose graph of iterations is strongly connected (denoted as DSSC Matrix)

Pseudo Random Number Generation

- Fields of Applications :
 - Security : hash function, steganography, stream cipher
 - Time Synchronization : GPS
 - Numerical simulations : Monte-Carlo algorithms
 - Simulation of Chaotic systems : double pendulum, protein dynamics
- Practical requirements :
 - Reproducibility : same seed \rightsquigarrow same stream
 - Successful pass on PRNG batteries of tests : the NIST¹, and DieHARD²
 - Should have chaotic properties

1. E. Barker and A. Roginsky. Draft NIST special publication 800-131 recommendation for the transitioning of cryptographic algorithms and key sizes, 2010.

2. G. Marsaglia. DieHARD : a battery of tests of randomness. <http://stat.fsu.edu/geo/diehard.html>, 1996

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Chaotic PRNG

Motivation

Automatically generating a large class of PRNGs with chaos and statistical properties

Previous work

To provide a PRNG with the properties of Devaney's chaos and of succeeding NIST test : a (non-chaotic) PRNG + iterating a Boolean maps^a

- with strongly connected iteration graph (sufficient)
- with doubly stochastic Markov probability matrix (necessary and sufficient)

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Boolean Map

- Boolean algebra on $\mathbb{B} = \{0, 1\}$ with the classical operators \cdot , $+$, $-$, disjunctive union \oplus
- For $n \in \mathbb{N}^*$, a *Boolean map* f : a function

$$\mathbb{B} \rightarrow \mathbb{B}, x = (x_1, \dots, x_n) \mapsto f(x) = (f_1(x), \dots, f_n(x))$$

- Dynamics :
 - $s = (s_t)_{t \in \mathbb{N}}$: sequence of indices in $\llbracket 1; n \rrbracket$ called "strategy".
 - At the t^{th} iteration : only the s_t -th component is "iterated"

$$x^{t+1} = F_f(s_t, x^t)$$

where

$$F_f : \llbracket 1; n \rrbracket \times \mathbb{B}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{B}^n$$

$$F_f(i, x) = (x_1, \dots, x_{i-1}, f_i(x), x_{i+1}, \dots, x_n)$$

Our PRNG

Mixing Time

The smallest iteration number that is sufficient to obtain a deviation lesser ε between rows of M and a given distribution.

PRNG $\chi_{14\text{Crypt}}$

- Inputs : f , b , x^0 , a *Random* PRNG

Input: a function f , an iteration number b , an initial configuration x^0 (n bits)

Output: a configuration x (n bits)

$x \leftarrow x^0$;

for $i = 0, \dots, b - 1$ **do**

$s \leftarrow \text{Random}(n)$;

$x \leftarrow F_f(s, x)$;

end

return x ;

- From x^0 : a random walk in $\Gamma(f)$ thanks to *Random* of length b

Iteration Graph and Markov Matrix

Iteration Graph

The *iteration graph* $\Gamma(f)$: directed graph s. t.

- the set of vertices : \mathbb{B}^n
- the set of edges : $(x, F_f(i, x)) \in \Gamma(f)$, $x \in \mathbb{B}^n$, $i \in \llbracket 1; n \rrbracket$

Markov Matrix

Matrix M :

$$M_{ij} = \frac{1}{n} \text{ if } i \neq j \text{ and } (i, j) \in \Gamma(f)$$

$$M_{ij} = 0 \text{ if } i \neq j \text{ and } (i, j) \notin \Gamma(f)$$

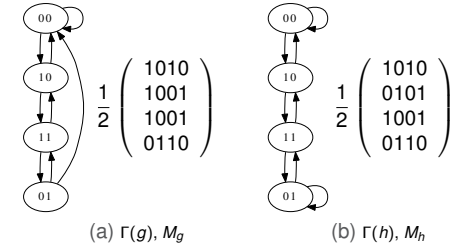
$$M_{ii} = 1 - \sum_{j=1, j \neq i}^n M_{ij}$$

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Iteration Graph and Markov Matrix (cont'd)

$$g(x_1, x_2) = (\overline{x_1}, x_1 \overline{x_2}), h(x_1, x_2) = (\overline{x_1}, x_1 \overline{x_2} + \overline{x_1} x_2)$$



A typical CLPFD

From Theory

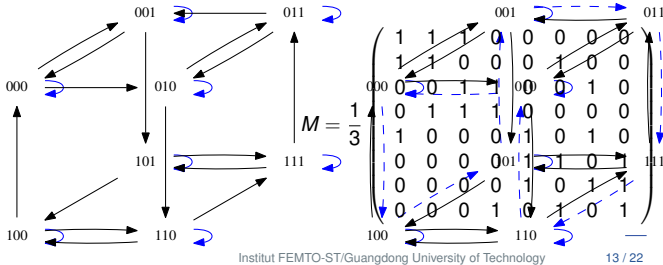
Find all the $2^n \times 2^n$ matrices $\frac{1}{n} \cdot M$ such that :

1. $M_{ij} = 0$ if j is not a neighbor of i
2. $0 \leq M_{ij} \leq n$: the number of loops around i is lesser than n
3. Otherwise $M_{ij} = 1$ if the edge from i to j is kept and 0 otherwise
4. For any index of line i , $1 \leq i \leq 2^n$, $n = \sum_{1 \leq j \leq 2^n} M_{ij}$: the matrix is right stochastic
5. For any index of column j , $1 \leq j \leq 2^n$, $n = \sum_{1 \leq i \leq 2^n} M_{ij}$: the matrix is left stochastic
6. All the values of $\sum_{1 \leq k \leq 2^n} M^k$ are strictly positive, (the induced graph is strongly connected)

A typical CLPFD (cont'd)

To Practice

- Definitively not efficient enough : a *generate and test* approach
- $f^*(x_1, x_2, x_3) = (x_2 \oplus x_3, \overline{x_1}x_3 + x_1\overline{x_2}, \overline{x_1}x_3 + x_1x_2)$: function with the smallest MT, $n = 3$
- f^* : the 3-cube in which the *Hamiltonian cycle* 000, 100, 101, 001, 011, 111, 110, 010, 000 has been removed



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Theoretical Aspects

Theorem

The Markov Matrix M resulting from the n -cube in which an Hamiltonian cycle is removed, is doubly stochastic

Theorem

The iteration graph issued from the n -cube where an Hamiltonian cycle is removed is strongly connected

We are then left

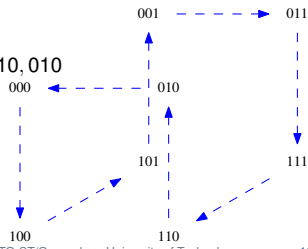
- To focus on the generation of Hamiltonian cycles in the n -cube, i.e.,
- To find cyclic Gray codes : sequences of 2^n codewords (n -bits strings) where two successive elements differ in only one bit position and where the last codeword differs in only one bit position from the first one

Cyclic Balanced Gray Codes

- Lower bound³ of number of Gray codes in B^n : $\left(\frac{n \cdot \log 2}{e \cdot \log n} * (1 - o(1))\right)^{2^n}$ (more than 10^{13} when n is 6).
- Restriction to balanced codes : the number of edges that modify the bit i in $\Gamma(f)$ have to be close to each other

Study of previous code

- Let L^* = 000, 100, 101, 001, 011, 111, 110, 010
- Its transition sequence : $S = 3, 1, 3, 2, 3, 1, 3, 2$
- Its transition count function : $TC_3(1) = TC_3(2) = 2$ and $TC_3(3) = 4$.



Generation of Balanced Gray Codes

- Algorithm⁴ : inductive construction of n -bits Gray code given a $n - 2$ -bit Gray code
 - Let l be an even positive integer. Find $u_1, u_2, \dots, u_{l-2}, v$ (maybe empty) subsequences of S_{n-2} such that S_{n-2} is the concatenation of $s_{i_1}, u_0, s_{i_2}, u_1, s_{i_3}, u_2, \dots, s_{i_{l-1}}, u_{l-2}, s_{i_l}, v$ where $i_1 = 1, i_2 = 2$, and $u_0 = \emptyset$ (the empty sequence).
 - $\rightsquigarrow \#n = \sum_{l'=1}^{2^{n-3}} \binom{2^{n-2}-2}{2^{l'}-2}$ distinct u subsequences
- | | | | | | |
|--------|---|----|------|-------|--------|
| n | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 |
| $\#n$ | 1 | 31 | 8191 | 5.3e8 | 2.3e18 |
| $\#n'$ | 1 | 15 | 3003 | 1.4e8 | 4.5e17 |
- A first simplification $\rightsquigarrow \#n'$

4. A. J. van Zanten and I. N. Suparta. Totally balanced and exponentially balanced gray codes. *Discrete Analysis and Operational Research*, 11 :81–98, 2004.

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Experiments



For each $n = 4, 5, 6, 7, 8$

- Generation of Balanced Gray Codes \rightsquigarrow functions f to iterate
- Selection of the function f_* minimizing the mixing time b
- Reproduced in the paper
- Evaluation through NIST and DieHARD
- \rightsquigarrow all the generators pass the NIST and the DieHARD batteries of tests

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Conclusion & Future Work



Summary

- Goal : description of a method to compute a large class of truly chaotic PRNGs
- The chaotic iterated map inside the generator : built by removing from a n -cube an Hamiltonian path, *i.e.*, a balanced Gray code
- Statistical properties : established for $n = 4, 5, 6, 7, 8$ through NIST and DieHARD batteries

Open Problems

- Our proposal : remove from the n -cube an Hamiltonian path that is a balanced Gray code. **Can we prove that this solution is the one that minimizes the mixing time ?**
- Lack of constructive method to built balanced Gray Code with large n . **Can we propose a new algorithm ?**

Thanks



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