Stability criteria for Intercating Particle Systems via Toom contours

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#### Theorem (Toom, 1980)

The Monotone CA is **stable** against random perturbations if and only if its monotone map is an **eroder**.

**Eroder**: in the absence of defective sites a finite set of zeros disappear in finite steps

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Gray (99): sufficient conditions for stability of IPS and examples for

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