Automata and finite order elements in the Nottingham group

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The Nottingham group at 2 is the group of (formal) power series $t + a_2t^2 + a_3t^3 + ...$ in the variable t with coefficients a_i from the field of 2 elements. Describing its torsion elements is a difficult problem. In this talk I will argue that it is advantageous to use tools from the world of automata to study its finite order elements. This is joint work with Jakub Byszewski and Gunther Cornelissen.

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