Exact logarithmic connectivities in 2d critical percolation (and the Ising model)

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1. Introduction

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Invitation: 2d percolation

• A stat. mech models such as Ising, *Q*-state Potts model or percolation can be formulated in terms of random clusters





- **Percolation:** *L* × *L* random matrix of 0, 1. Phase transition signaled by the finite probability of one point being connected to the boundary
- No symmetry, however at p = p_c configurations are scale (conformally) invariant! [Langlands-Pouliot-Saint Aubin 92]

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• However (not in textbooks): Let Z the percolation partition function on a L × L matrix

 $Z(L) = 1 \Rightarrow$ as a CFT, percolation has zero central charge!

• Earlier influential works: Nienhuis, Duplantier-Saluer, Dotsenko-Fateev (especially for the *Q*-color Potts model)

A deeper insight: Cardy formula

• Back in 1992, J. Cardy showed how to adapt techniques of Boundary Conformal Field Theory to percolation (or a c = 0 CFT)



• A result proved by S. Smirnov (Field's medal) in 2009

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• There is an obvious problem for the OPE at c = 0 if $h \neq 0$

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• Mixing of the null field T(z) with another (logarithmic) field t(z) of the same dimensions [Gurarie-Ludwig 04]

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An useful device: Q-color Potts model [Wu 82]

• The Hamiltonian is given by (J > 0)

$$H_Q = -J \sum_{\langle x,y \rangle} \delta_{s(x),s(y)}, \quad s(x) = 1, \dots, Q$$

• Graph expansion [Fortuin-Kasteleyn 70], here $p = 1 - e^{-J}$



• Q = 1 corresponds to percolation and Q = 2 to the Ising model. First order for Q > 4 in 2d.

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• Example: n = 4, probabilities of the following configurations



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 Why only η? From conformal symmetry, R can be calculated in the UHP (z₁ < z₂ < z₃ < z₄)

$$R = R(\eta), \quad \eta = rac{z_{21}z_{43}}{z_{31}z_{42}}, \quad 0 < \eta < 1$$

• Under a conformal map to a new geometry w = f(z) it does not change (conformally invariant)

2. Some CFT details

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$$s \land Q = 2 \quad \mathbb{Z}_{2} \text{ lsing}$$

$$5 \quad \frac{5}{2} \quad 1 \quad | \quad \frac{1}{6} \mid 0 \quad | \quad \frac{1}{2} \mid$$

$$4 \quad \frac{21}{16} \quad \frac{5}{16} \mid / \frac{1}{6} \quad | \quad -\frac{1}{48} \mid \frac{5}{16} \mid$$

$$3 \quad \frac{1}{2} \quad 0 \mid | \quad \frac{1}{6} \quad | \quad 1 \quad | \quad \frac{5}{2} \mid$$

$$2 \quad \frac{1}{16} \quad \frac{1}{16} \quad \frac{35}{48} \mid \frac{33}{16} \quad \frac{65}{116} \mid$$

$$1 \quad 0 \quad \frac{1}{2} \quad \frac{5}{3} \mid \frac{7}{2} \mid 6 \mid$$

$$1 \quad 2 \quad 3 \quad 4 \quad 5 \quad r$$

 $\phi_{1,2s+1}$ anchors s clusters at the boundary [Saleur-Duplantier 87]

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$$\langle \phi_{1,3}(z_1)\phi_{1,3}(z_2)\phi_{1,3}(z_3)\phi_{1,3}(z_4) \rangle_{\mathbb{H}} = \frac{1}{(z_{12}z_{34})^{2h}} \underbrace{\overbrace{G(\eta)}^{\text{conf. block}}}_{(1-\eta)^{2h}}$$

• The function $G(\eta)$ solves a **third** order ODE [BPZ 83]

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• The exponent ρ corresponds to the leading singularity produced in the OPE when $z_1 \rightarrow z_2$ (care when roots are separated by integers!)

no cluster
$$\rho$$
 $(\rho - h_{1,3})$ $(\rho - h_{1,5}) = 0$

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3. Results

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$$R_{Q=1}(\eta) = A_1 \frac{G_2(\eta)}{G_0(\eta)}, \quad A_1 = \frac{3^{7/6} \pi \Gamma\left(\frac{5}{9}\right) \Gamma\left(\frac{8}{9}\right) \Gamma\left(\frac{7}{3}\right)}{4 \cos(13\pi/18) \Gamma\left(-\frac{2}{9}\right) \Gamma\left(\frac{1}{6}\right) \Gamma\left(\frac{11}{6}\right)}$$

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- The denominator is the regularized identity conformal block at c = 0

$$G_0(\eta) = -\frac{8}{45}\log(\eta)G_2(\eta) + \left(1 - \frac{2}{3}\eta + \frac{119}{225}\eta^2 + \frac{152}{2025}\eta^3 + o(\eta^3)\right).$$

• The coefficient of the logarithm is according to Gurarie and Ludwig

$$\frac{h^2}{b} \stackrel{h=\frac{1}{3}}{\longrightarrow} b = -\frac{5}{8}$$

Monte Carlo vs CFT for percolation



Figure: Simulations on a triangular lattice

lsing (Q = 2 or c = 1/2)

• We have a more explicit result [Gori-V. 17]

$$R_{Q=2}(\eta) = A_2 \int_0^\eta g(\eta')$$

• where g contains elliptic integrals of first and second kind



• Logarithmic singularity for $\eta \rightarrow 1$

• Collision between $\phi_{1,5}$ and null vector at level two of $\phi_{1,3}$

Q=3 (c = 4/5) and Q=4 (c = 1)



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Summary

- Exact CFT results for four-point boundary connectivities in the *Q*-color Potts model
- Explicit logarithmic singularities at c = 0 (percolation) and c = 1/2 (Ising)

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 First correlation function at c = 0 where Gurarie and Ludwig b number appears explicitly

Thank you!