

Lecture 2 :

Some basic facts :

$$\textcircled{1} \quad p_c(d+1) \leq p_c(d)$$

$$\textcircled{2} \quad p < p_c(d) \Rightarrow \Theta(p) = 0$$

$$p > p_c(d) \Rightarrow \Theta(p) > 0$$

$$\textcircled{3} \quad p = p_c(d) \quad \text{we don't have any info}$$

~~$p_c(d) \equiv p_c$~~

Thm : For $d \geq 2$, we have

$$0 < p_c(d) < 1$$

Want

to show

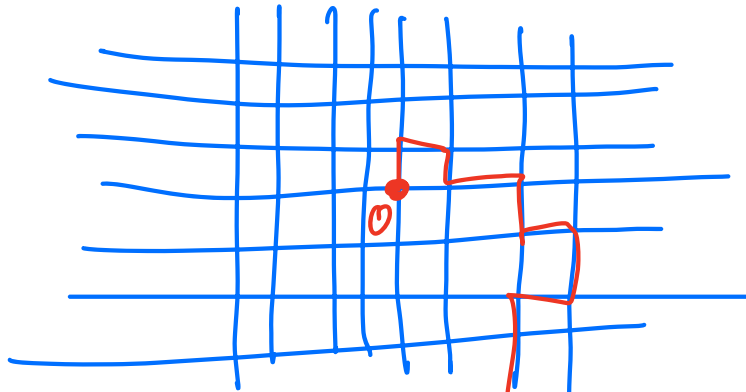
$\begin{aligned} p_c(2) &< 1 \\ p_c(d) &> 0 \quad \forall d \geq 2 \end{aligned}$

Actually we'll show $p_c(2) \leq 2/3$

and $\phi_c(2) \geq \frac{1}{3}$

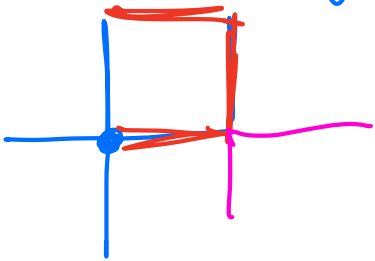
Proof:

$$\textcircled{1} \quad p_c(d) \geq \frac{1}{2d-1}$$



length $\leq n$
Starting from 0.

Counting Argument:



First step has 2d choices

Next step has $ad-1$ choices

All further step - each has atmost $2d-1$ choices

Total # of paths from the origin of length $\leq n$ is at most $2d(2d-1)^{n-1}$

For a given path of length n - The prob that the path is open is p^n .

So the expected number of open paths of length n , starting from the origin is

$$\sum p^n \mathbb{1}(\text{path is open})$$

↙
over
all
paths of
length n

$$\leq 2d (2d-1)^{n-1} p^n$$

k_n

$$\text{Bin} \left(2d (2d-1)^{n-1}, p^n \right)$$

$$\therefore \mathbb{P}(p) \leq \mathbb{P}_p \left(\text{there is at least one open path from the origin of length } n \right)$$

$$\leq \mathbb{E}_p(\# \text{ open paths from the origin of length } n)$$

$$\leq 2d (2d-1)^{n-1} p^n$$

$$\xrightarrow{\hspace{1cm}} 0$$

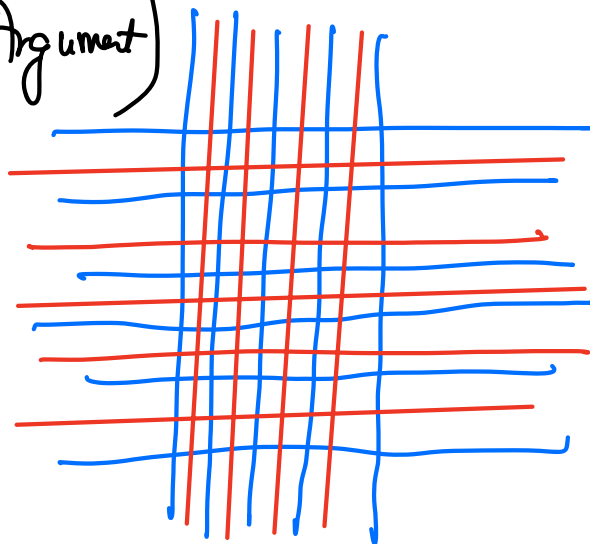
$$\text{for } p < \frac{1}{2d-1}$$

$$\therefore \theta(p) = 0 \text{ for } p < \frac{1}{2d-1}$$

$$\Rightarrow p_c \geq \frac{1}{2d-1}$$

$$\textcircled{2} \quad p_c(2) \leq \frac{2}{3} \quad (\text{Peierls Argument})$$

$$\boxed{d=2}$$



Let e^* denote the edge in \mathbb{L}^* which the edge e of \mathbb{L} intersects.

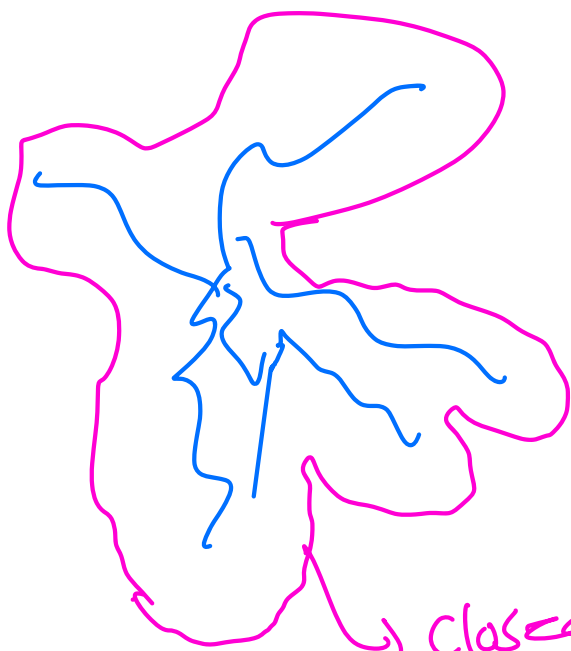
$$\text{Blue lattice: } \mathbb{L} = \mathbb{Z}^2$$

$$\text{Red lattice: } \mathbb{L}^* = \mathbb{L} + \left(\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}\right)$$

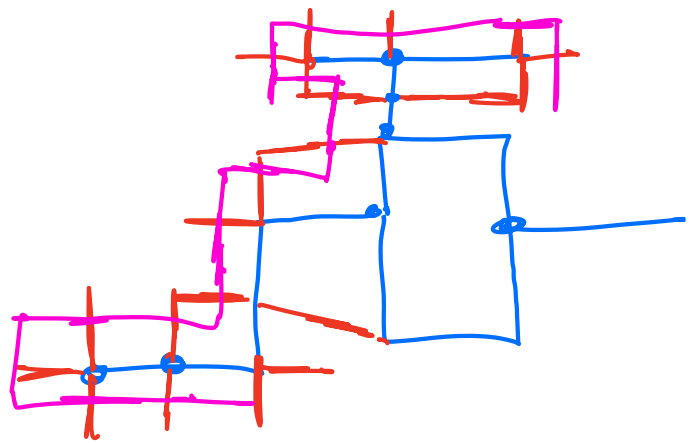
↳ Dual lattice (of \mathbb{L})

The edge e^* is declared open/closed iff the edge e is open/closed.

Suppose the open cluster C_0 of the original lattice is bounded.



closed circuit in the dual lattice

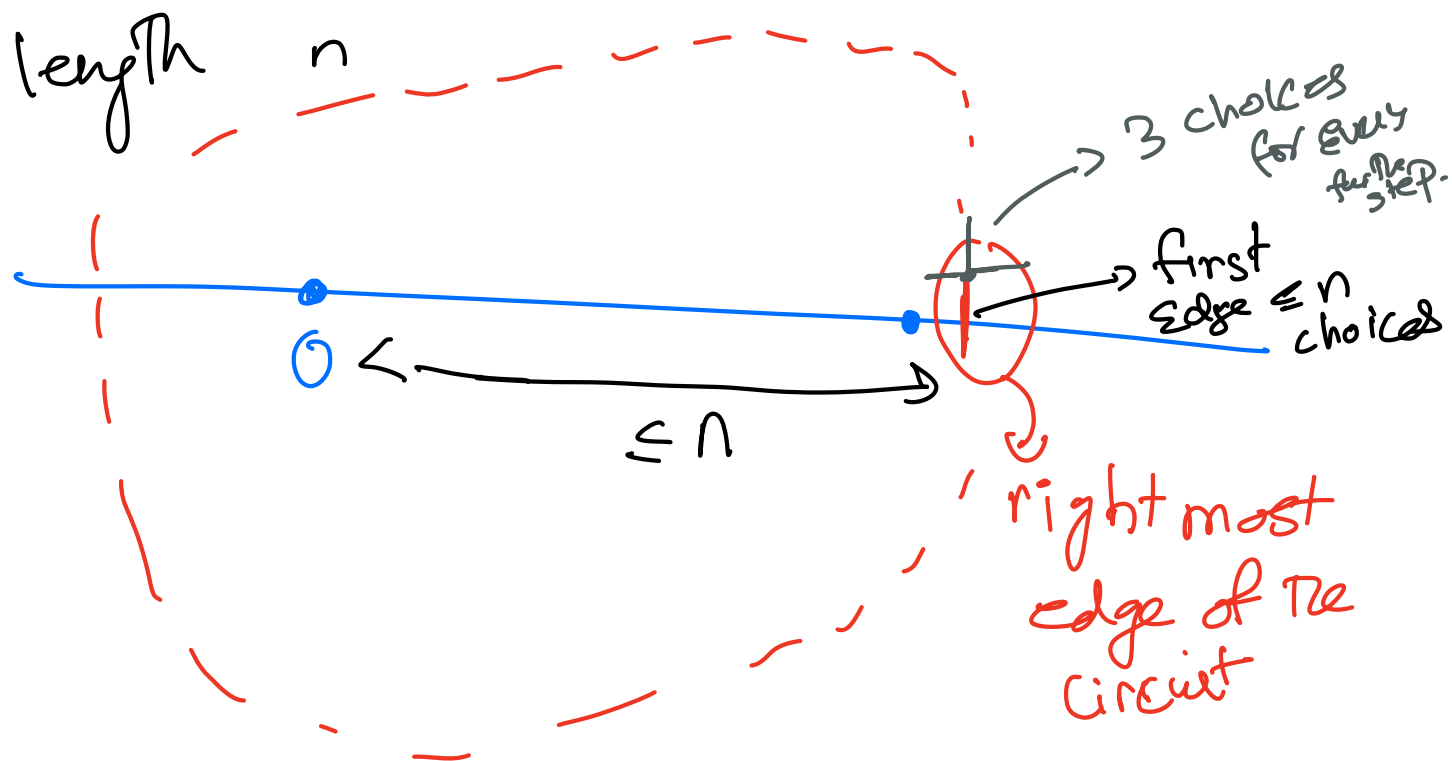


$\text{magenta line} \rightarrow$ Dual Edges
 $\text{red line} \rightarrow$ closed edges
 $\text{blue line} \rightarrow$ open edges.

$\# C_0 < \infty$. iff \exists a closed dual circuit surrounding it

Whitney's Theorem. for formalisation.
 \rightarrow graph theory

Now we'll count the # of circuits in \mathbb{Z}^k surrounding the origin of L of



$$\therefore \# \text{ closed circuits of length } n \leq n 3^{n-1}$$

Any such circuit it is closed w.p. $(1-p)^n$

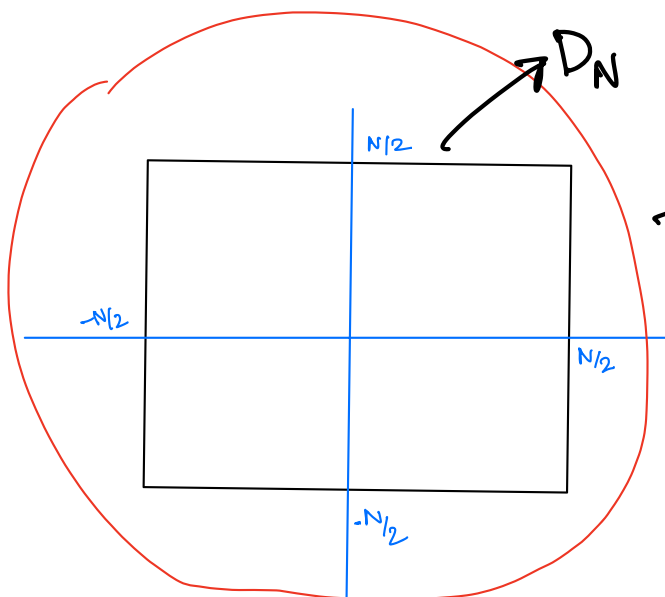
$$\mathbb{E}_p \left(\# \text{ of closed dual circuits surrounding } 0 \text{ of } L \right)$$

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \leq \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} n 3^{n-1} (1-p)^n \\ < \infty \end{array} \right. \quad \text{iff } 1-p < \frac{1}{3} \Leftrightarrow p > \frac{2}{3}$$

From $*$ for $p > \frac{2}{3}$ Choose N s.t.

$$\sum_{n=N}^{\infty} n 3^{n-1} (1-p)^n < \frac{1}{2}$$

For $p > \frac{2}{3}$, $\mathbb{P}_p(\nexists \text{ any closed dual circuit of length } N \text{ or more})$



> 0

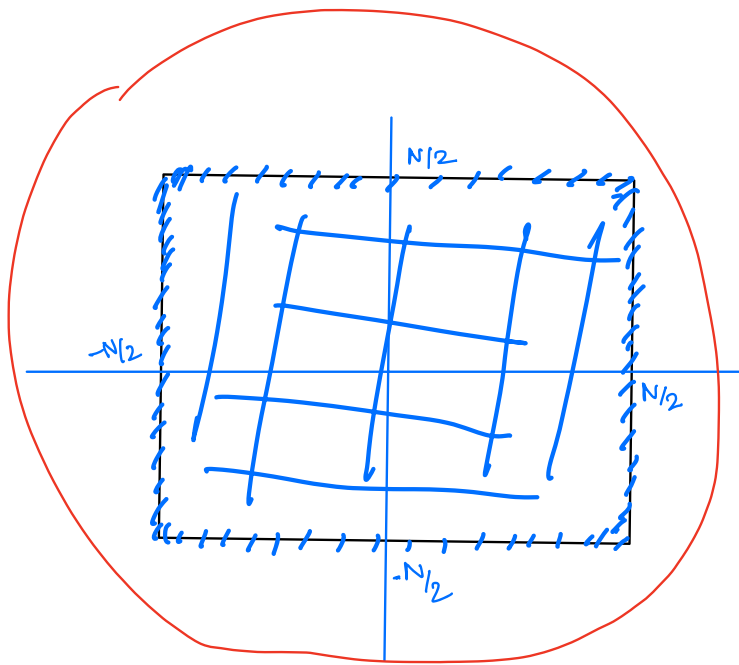
Any dual circuit surrounding the box must have length $\geq N$

$A_n := \{ \text{all edges of the lattice} \mid \text{in } D_N \text{ are open} \}$

$$B_N := \{ \exists \text{ any closed dual circuit surrounding } D_N \}$$

$$\mathbb{P}_p(B_N) > 0 \longrightarrow \text{from above, } p > 2/3$$

$$\mathbb{P}_p(A_N) = p^{N^2} > 0 \text{ for } p > 0$$



Event A_N depends on the edges inside the box D_N .

Event B_N depends on the edges of \mathbb{Z} outside D_N .

A_N and B_N are independent events,

$$\mathbb{P}_p(A_N \cap B_N) = \mathbb{P}_p(A_N) \mathbb{P}_p(B_N) > 0 \text{ for } p > 2/3$$

$$\therefore Q(p) > \mathbb{P}_p(A_N) \mathbb{P}_p(B_N) > 0 \text{ for}$$

$$\phi > 2/3.$$

* Such counting arguments in mathematical physics are called Peierls argument — after Rudolf Peierls.

Thus,

$$\frac{1}{2d-1} \leq P_c(d) \leq 2/3$$



Tools (required to study percolation)

Lemma (Subadditive lemma) [Fekete's lemma]

Let $\{a_n : n \geq 1\}$ be a \mathbb{R} -valued sequence s.t.

$$a_{m+n} \leq a_m + a_n \quad \forall m, n \geq 1$$

Then

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{a_n}{n} \text{ exists and}$$

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{a_n}{n} = \inf_{n \geq 1} \frac{a_n}{n}$$

Pf : ① $\liminf_n \frac{a_n}{n} \geq \inf_{n \geq 1} \frac{a_n}{n}$

Write $n = lm + r$ $\parallel r \in \{0, 1, 2, \dots, l-1\}$

by subadditivity,

$$a_n \leq a_{lm} + a_r$$

$$\leq ma_l + a_r$$

$$| a_l = l + (m-1)l$$

$$a_{lm} \leq a_l + a_{(m-1)l}$$

$$\leq ma_l + \max \{a_s : s = 0, \dots, l-1\}$$

$$a_0 = 0$$

$$\frac{a_n}{n} \leq \frac{ma_l}{n} + \frac{\max \{a_s : s = 0, 1, 2, \dots, l-1\}}{n}$$

$$\leq \frac{ma_l}{ml} + \frac{\max \{a_s : s = 0, 1, 2, \dots, l-1\}}{n}$$

$$\longrightarrow \frac{a_l}{l}$$

$$\text{as } n \rightarrow \infty$$

This is true for all $l \geq 1$.

So

$$\frac{a_n}{n} \leq \inf_{l \geq 1} \frac{a_l}{l} \quad (\forall n)$$

$$\textcircled{2} \quad \limsup_n \frac{a_n}{n} \leq \inf_{l \geq 1} \frac{a_l}{l}$$

By ①, ② \Rightarrow Subadditive lemma

FKG Ineq (Harris - FKG Ineq)

$\Omega = \{0, 1\}^E$

$\omega, \omega' \in \Omega$

$\omega(e_1), \omega(e_2), \dots$

$\omega: E \rightarrow \{0, 1\}$
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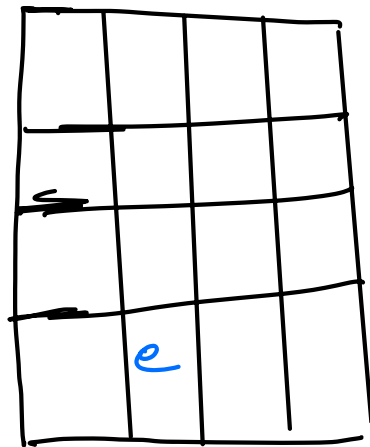
Mathematician (pointing to Harris - FKG Ineq)
Physicists (pointing to $\omega, \omega' \in \Omega$)

Define a partial order

$$\omega(e) \leq \omega'(e)$$

$$\omega \leq \omega' \text{ (fs) } \omega(e) = \omega'(e) \quad \forall e \in E.$$

If edge e is open in the config ω , Then it is also open in ω'



$$\omega(e) = 1 \Rightarrow \omega'(e) = 1$$

$$\omega(e) = 0 \Rightarrow \omega'(e) = 0 \text{ or } 1$$

$$\forall e \in E$$

Defⁿ : A function $f: \Omega \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is increasing if $f(\omega) \leq f(\omega')$ for all $\omega \leq \omega'$, dec if $f(\omega) \geq f(\omega')$ for all $\omega \leq \omega'$.

An event $A \in \mathcal{F}$ is increasing/decreasing if 1_A is inc/dec

$(\Omega, \mathcal{F}, \mathbb{P})$

Thm (FKG Ineq) let $f_1, f_2: \Omega \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$
be both increasing or both decreasing.

Assume they are square integrable (i.e. $\int_{\Omega} f_i^2 d\mathbb{P} < \infty$
for $i=1,2$)

Then

$$\mathbb{E}_{\mathbb{P}}(f_1 f_2) \geq \mathbb{E}_{\mathbb{P}}(f_1) \mathbb{E}_{\mathbb{P}}(f_2)$$

In particular if $f_1 = 1_A$ and $f_2 = 1_B$
then,

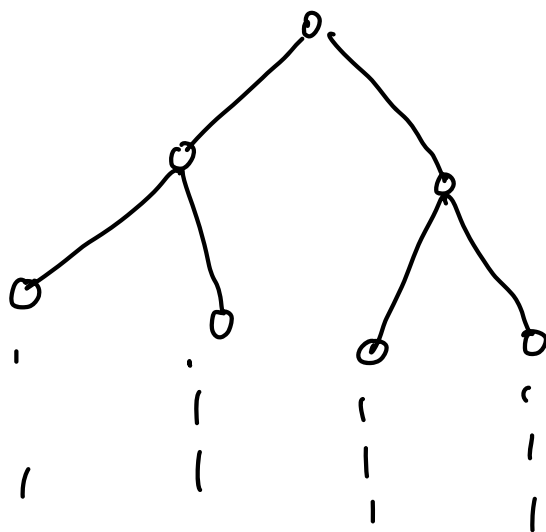
$$\mathbb{P}_{\mathbb{P}}(A \cap B) \geq \mathbb{P}(A) \mathbb{P}(B)$$

* FKG tells us that $\mathbb{E}_{\mathbb{P}}(f_1 f_2) - \mathbb{E}_{\mathbb{P}}(f_1) \mathbb{E}_{\mathbb{P}}(f_2)$

i.e. $\text{COV}(f_1, f_2) \geq 0$ i.e. f_1, f_2 are positively
correlated. ≥ 0

Exercise

(1)



$T =$ a rooted binary tree

- Find $p_c(T)$
- Using Kolmogorov's 0-1 law show that
$$Q(p) > 0 \Rightarrow \mathbb{P}_p(\exists u \in V \text{ s.t. } \#(cu) = \infty) = 1$$
- $\{u \longleftrightarrow v\}$ is increasing.