

Non-decay of correlations in the dimer model and
phase transition in lattice permutations
in \mathbb{Z}^d , $d > 2$, via reflection positivity

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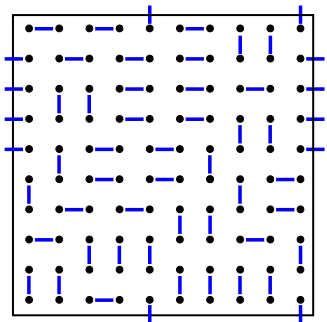
Definition (Dimer Cover)

A *dimer cover* of the graph $\mathcal{G} = (V, E)$ is a spanning sub-graph of \mathcal{G} such that every vertex has degree one.

- **Exact enumeration on \mathbb{Z}^2**
(Kasteleyn, Fisher and Temperley, 1961).
- **Correlations on planar graphs**
(Fisher and J. Stephenson, 1963)
- **Connections to critical planar Ising model**
(Kasteleyn 1961, Fisher 1966).
- **No phase transition in monomer-dimer model**
(Heilmann, Lieb, 1972)
- **Arctic circle phenomenon**
(H. Cohn, N. Elkies, J. Propp, 1996)
- **Scaling limits, conformal invariance** (Kenyon, 2000 - 2014).

What about \mathbb{Z}^d , $d > 2$?

- Hammersley et al, 1969: 'Negative Finding for the Three-Dimensional Dimer Problem'.
- Jerrum, 1987: 'Monomer-dimer systems are computationally intractable'.



Definition (Monomer-monomer correlation)

Define $\mathbb{T}_L := \mathbb{Z}^d / L\mathbb{Z}^d$ and, for any $M \subset \mathbb{T}_L$ (set of monomers), let $\mathcal{D}(M)$ be the set of dimer covers of $\mathbb{T}_L \setminus M$. We define the *monomer-monomer correlation*,

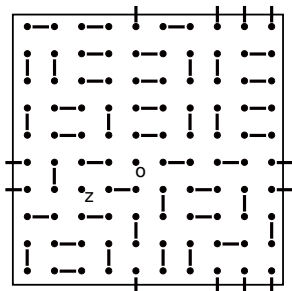
$$\forall z \in \mathbb{T}_L \quad \Xi_L(z) := \frac{|\mathcal{D}(\{o, z\})|}{\mathcal{D}(\emptyset)}.$$

- **Conjecture (Fisher and Stephenson):**

$$\text{On } \mathbb{Z}^2 \quad \lim_{L \rightarrow \infty} \Xi_L(z) \sim \frac{1}{|z|^{\frac{1}{2}}}$$

- **Proved for:**

- z along the cartesian axis
(Fisher, Stephenson, 1963)
- z along diagonals
(Hartwig, 1966)



The dimer model

Let r_d be the expected number of returns of a simple random walk on \mathbb{Z}^d .
Define the *odd and even sub-lattices*

$$\mathbb{T}_L^e := \{x \in \mathbb{T}_L : d(o, x) \in 2\mathbb{N}\}, \quad \mathbb{T}_L^o := \{x \in \mathbb{T}_L : d(o, x) \in 2\mathbb{N} + 1\},$$

Theorem (Taggi, 2019+)

Suppose that $d > 2$. For any $L \in 2\mathbb{N}$, we have that,

$$\frac{1}{|\mathbb{T}_L^o|} \sum_{x \in \mathbb{T}_L^o} \Xi_L(x) \geq \frac{1}{2d} \left(1 - \frac{r_d}{2}\right). \quad (1)$$

Moreover, there exists $c \in (0, \frac{1}{2})$ such that for any $L \in 2\mathbb{N}$ and any odd integer $n \in (0, cL)$,

$$\Xi_L(n \mathbf{e}_1) \geq \frac{1}{2d} (1 - r_d). \quad (2)$$

Remark

$r_3 \simeq 0.52$ (exact computation Watson, 1939). Moreover, $r_{d+1} \leq r_d$.

Remark

$\Xi_L(x) = 0$ if $x \in \mathbb{T}_L^e$ and $L \in 2\mathbb{N}$.

Theorem (Lees, Taggi, 2019)

Suppose that $L \in 2\mathbb{N}$, let $z \in \mathbb{T}_L$ be such that $n = z \cdot \mathbf{e}_i$ is odd for some $i \in \{1, \dots, d\}$, suppose that $n \in (0, \frac{L}{2})$. Then,

$$\Xi_L(z) \leq \Xi_L(\mathbf{e}_i n) \leq \Xi_L(\mathbf{e}_i(n-2)) \leq \Xi_L(\mathbf{e}_i) = \frac{1}{2d}. \quad (3)$$

Remark

Since $r_d \rightarrow 0$ as $d \rightarrow \infty$, the lower and upper bound are sharp in the limit $d \rightarrow \infty$,

$$\frac{1}{2d} \left(1 - \frac{r_d}{2}\right) \leq \frac{1}{|\mathbb{T}_L^{\circ}|} \sum_{x \in \mathbb{T}_L^{\circ}} \Xi_L(x) \leq \frac{1}{2d}.$$

Remark

The site monotonicity properties (Lees, Taggi 2019) hold for other models, e.g. Spin $O(N)$ model with arbitrary $N \in \mathbb{N}_{>0}$, Loop $O(N)$ model, lattice permutations, and are not limited to the inequalities in (3).

Definition

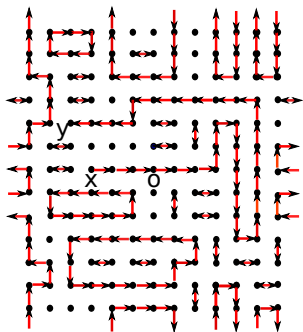
Let $\Omega_{x,y}$ be the set of *bijections* $\pi : \mathbb{T}_L \setminus \{y\} \rightarrow \mathbb{T}_L \setminus \{x\}$ such that $\forall z \in \mathbb{T}_L \setminus \{y\}$, $|\pi(z) - z|_1 \leq 1$. Define $\Omega = \cup_{x \in \mathbb{T}_L} \Omega_{o,x}$. Fix arbitrary $N, \lambda \geq 0$, define

$$\forall \pi \in \Omega \quad \mathbb{P}_{L,N,\lambda}(\pi) := \frac{\lambda^{\mathcal{H}(\pi)} (N/2)^{\mathcal{L}(\pi)}}{Z_{L,\lambda,N}},$$

where $\mathcal{H}(\pi) := |\{z \in \mathbb{T}_L : \pi(z) \neq z\}|$ is the *number of (directed) edges* in the picture and $\mathcal{L}(\pi)$ is the *number of loops and double dimers* in π .

Terminology: *Loops, double dimers, monomers, walk.*

- Closely related to Loop $O(N)$ model
- $\lambda = 1, N = 0$: uniform SAW in a box
(Duminil-Copin, Kozma, Yadin, 2014)
- $N = 2$ related to quantum Bose gas
(Feynmann, 1953)
(Ueltschi, Betz, 2010, 2011)
(Elboim, Peled, 2017)



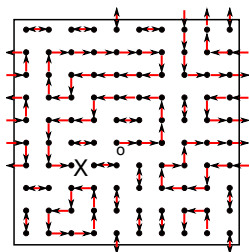
Lattice permutations

Define the *fully-packed* lattice permutation model,

$$\mathcal{P}_{L,N}(\pi) := \lim_{\lambda \rightarrow \infty} \mathbb{P}_{L,N,\lambda}(\pi)$$

We say that π is *fully-packed* if it contains no monomer.

Let $X : \Omega \rightarrow \mathbb{T}_L$ be the last point of the walk (*target point*).



Theorem (Taggi, 2019+)

In any dimension $d > 2$, for any integer N such that $0 < N < \frac{4}{r_d}$, the following holds for any $L \in 2\mathbb{N}$:

$$\forall A \subset \mathbb{T}_L, \quad \mathcal{P}_{L,N}(X \in A) \leq \frac{1}{1 - \frac{Nr_d}{4}} \frac{|A|}{L^d}.$$

- For example plug in $A = \mathbb{T}_{\epsilon L}$ for small enough ϵ ,
- When N is large, *exponential decay* for all λ :
 - **Intersecting loops on \mathbb{Z}^d** : Chayes, Pryadko, Shtengel, 1999.
 - **Loop $O(N)$ on honeycomb**: Duminil-Copin, Peled, Samotij, Spinka, 2014.

Definition (Two point function)

Let Ω^ℓ be the set of *permutations* $\pi : \mathbb{T}_L \rightarrow \mathbb{T}_L$ such that, for any $z \in \mathbb{T}_L$, $|\pi(z) - z|_1 \leq 1$.

$$Z_{L,N,\lambda}^\ell := \sum_{\pi \in \Omega^\ell} \lambda^{\mathcal{H}(\pi)} (N/2)^{\mathcal{L}(\pi)},$$

and, for any $x, y \in \mathbb{T}_L$, we define

$$Z_{L,N,\lambda}(x, y) := \sum_{\pi \in \Omega_{x,y}} \lambda^{\mathcal{H}(\pi)} (N/2)^{\mathcal{L}(\pi)},$$

Finally, we define the *two point function*,

$$G_{L,N,\lambda}(x, y) := \frac{\lambda Z_{L,N,\lambda}(x, y)}{Z_{L,N,\lambda}^\ell},$$

and note that, in the limit $\lambda \rightarrow \infty$, it collects only the contribution of fully packed configurations,

$$G_{L,N,\infty}(x, y) := \lim_{\lambda \rightarrow \infty} G_{L,N,\lambda}(x, y) = \frac{\sum_{\substack{\pi \in \Omega_{x,y}: \\ \pi \text{ is f.p.}}} \left(\frac{N}{2}\right)^{\mathcal{L}(\pi)}}{\sum_{\substack{\pi \in \Omega^\ell: \\ \pi \text{ is f.p.}}} \left(\frac{N}{2}\right)^{\mathcal{L}(\pi)}}.$$

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$$\frac{1}{|\mathbb{T}_L^\circ|} \sum_{x \in \mathbb{T}_L^\circ} G_{L,N,\infty}(o, x) \geq \frac{1}{2d} \left(\frac{2}{N} - \frac{r_d}{2} \right).$$

Moreover, there exists $c \in (0, \frac{1}{2})$ such that for any $L \in 2\mathbb{N}$ and any odd integer $n \in (0, cL)$,

$$G_{L,N,\infty}(o, n e_1) \geq \frac{1}{2d} \left(\frac{2}{N} - r_d \right).$$

Remark

From the monotonicity properties (Lees, Taggi 2019) and the fact that $r_d \rightarrow 0$ as $d \rightarrow \infty$, we deduce that the lower and upper bound are sharp in the limit $d \rightarrow \infty$,

$$\frac{1}{2d} \left(\frac{2}{N} - \frac{r_d}{2} \right) \leq \frac{1}{|\mathbb{T}_L^\circ|} \sum_{x \in \mathbb{T}_L^\circ} G_{L,N,\infty}(x) \leq \frac{1}{2d} \frac{2}{N}.$$

Relation between lattice permutations and dimers

Lemma

$$G_{L,2,\infty}(x,y) = \Xi_L(x,y).$$

Proof.

There exist two bijections Π^1, Π^2 ,

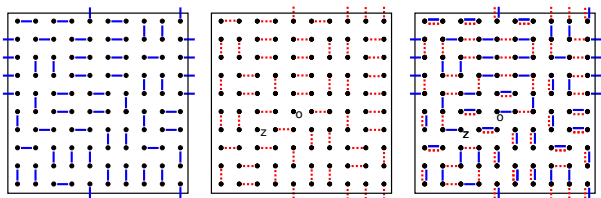
$$\Pi^1 : \mathcal{D}(\emptyset) \times \mathcal{D}(\{x,y\}) \mapsto \tilde{\Omega}_{x,y} := \{\pi \in \Omega_{x,y} : \pi \text{ is f.p.}\}$$

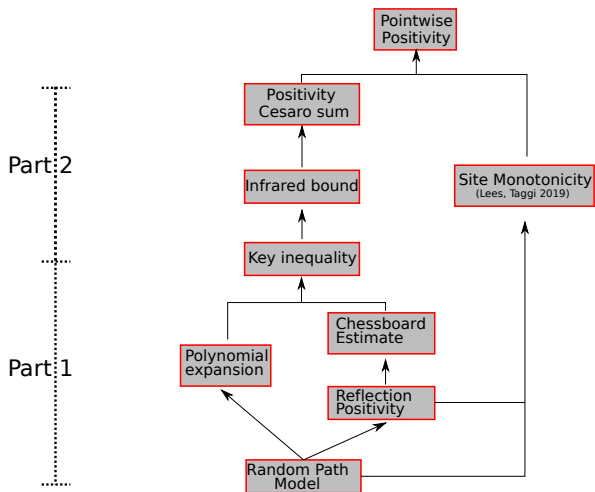
$$\Pi^2 : \mathcal{D}(\emptyset) \times \mathcal{D}(\emptyset) \mapsto \tilde{\Omega}^\ell := \{\pi \in \Omega^\ell : \pi \text{ is f.p.}\}$$

Hence,

$$G_{L,2,\infty}(x,y) = \frac{|\tilde{\Omega}_{x,y}|}{|\tilde{\Omega}^\ell|} = \frac{|\mathcal{D}(\emptyset)| |\mathcal{D}(\{x,y\})|}{|\mathcal{D}(\emptyset)|^2} = \frac{|\mathcal{D}(\{x,y\})|}{|\mathcal{D}(\emptyset)|} = \Xi_L(x,y).$$

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Comment: Inspired by the famous proof of *Fröhlich, Simon, Spencer 1976* for the spin $O(N)$ model

Method overviews: *Biskup, Friedli and Velenik, Spinka and Peled, Ueltschi.*

Positivity Cesaro sum given Key Inequality

Dual torus, $\mathbb{T}_L^* := \left\{ \frac{2\pi}{L} (k_1, \dots, k_d) \in \mathbb{R}^d : k_i \in \left(-\frac{L}{2}, \frac{L}{2}\right] \cap \mathbb{Z} \right\}$. For $f \in \ell^2(\mathbb{T}_L)$,

$$\forall k \in \mathbb{T}_L^*, \quad \hat{f}(k) := \sum_{x \in \mathbb{T}_L} e^{-ik \cdot x} f(x).$$

$$\forall x \in \mathbb{T}_L, \quad f(x) = \frac{1}{|\mathbb{T}_L|} \sum_{k \in \mathbb{T}_L^*} e^{ik \cdot x} \hat{f}(k).$$

Put $G_{L,N,\infty}(x) := G_{L,N,\infty}(o, x)$.

Lemma

Define the Fourier modes $p := (\pi, \dots, \pi)$, $o := (0, \dots, 0) \in \mathbb{T}_L^*$. We have that,

$$\frac{2}{|\mathbb{T}_L|} \sum_{x \in \mathbb{T}_L} G_{L,N,\infty}(x) = G_{L,N,\infty}(e_1) - \frac{1}{|\mathbb{T}_L|} \sum_{k \in \mathbb{T}_L^* \setminus \{o, p\}} e^{ik \cdot e_1} \hat{G}_{L,N,\infty}(k).$$

Proof: From the inverse Fourier transform formula:

$$G_{L,N,\infty}(e_1) = \frac{1}{|\mathbb{T}_L|} \hat{G}_{L,N,\infty}(o) + \frac{e^{ip \cdot e_1}}{|\mathbb{T}_L|} \hat{G}_{L,N,\infty}(p) + \frac{1}{|\mathbb{T}_L|} \sum_{k \in \mathbb{T}_L^* \setminus \{o, p\}} e^{ik \cdot e_1} \hat{G}_{L,N,\infty}(k)$$

the fact that $\hat{G}_{L,N,\infty}(p) = -\hat{G}_{L,N,\infty}(o)$ since we are in the **fully packed regime** ($\lambda = \infty$) and from the Fourier transform formula: $\hat{G}_{L,N,\infty}(o) = \sum_{x \in \mathbb{T}_L} G_{L,N,\infty}(x)$.

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Note: $G_{L,N,\infty}(e_1) = \frac{1}{2d} \frac{2}{N}$

Goal: bound $\frac{1}{|\mathbb{T}_L|} \sum_{k \in \mathbb{T}_L^* \setminus \{o,p\}} e^{ik \cdot e_1} \hat{G}_{L,N,\infty}(k)$ away from $\frac{1}{2d} \frac{2}{N}$ uniformly!!

Part 2 of the proof

Uniform positivity Cesaro sum given the Key Inequality

Theorem (Key inequality)

For any $N \in \mathbb{N}_{>0}$, $\lambda \in \mathbb{R}_{>0} \cup \{\infty\}$, $L \in 2\mathbb{N}_{>0}$, any real vector $\mathbf{h} = (h_x)_{x \in \mathbb{T}_L}$,

$$\sum_{x,y \in \mathbb{T}_L} G_{L,N,\lambda}(x,y) (\Delta h)_x (\Delta h)_y \leq \sum_{\{x,y\} \in \mathbb{E}_L} (h_y - h_x)^2,$$

where $(\Delta h)_x := \sum_{y \sim x} (h_y - h_x)$.

- Case of Fröhlich, Simon and Spencer: $\langle S_x \cdot S_y \rangle$ in place of $G(x,y)$ and factor $\frac{1}{\beta}$ in the RHS

Application of Key Inequality with $h_x := \cos(k \cdot x)$ (Fröhlich, Simon, Spencer 1976)

For any $k = (k_1, \dots, k_d) \in \mathbb{T}_L^*$, define $\varepsilon(k) := \frac{1}{2 \sum_{i=1}^d (1 - \cos(k_i))}$,

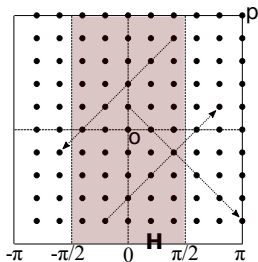
$$k \in \mathbb{T}_L^* \setminus \{0\}, \quad \hat{G}(k) \leq \frac{1}{\varepsilon(k)}.$$

Note: $\hat{G}(k)$ is real.

Positivity Cesaro sum given Key Inequality

$$\frac{1}{|\mathbb{T}_L|} \sum_{k \in \mathbb{T}_L^* \setminus \{o, p\}} e^{ik \cdot e_1} \hat{G}_\infty(k) = \frac{1}{|\mathbb{T}_L|} \sum_{k \in \mathbb{T}_L^* \setminus \{o, p\}} \operatorname{Re} \left(e^{ik \cdot e_1} \hat{G}_\infty(k) \right) = \frac{1}{|\mathbb{T}_L|} \sum_{k \in \mathbb{T}_L^* \setminus \{o, p\}} \cos(k \cdot e_1) \hat{G}_\infty(k)$$

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- Apply: $\hat{G}_\infty(k) \leq \frac{1}{\epsilon(k)}$ (derived from Key Inequality)
- Define: $\mathbb{H} := \{k \in \mathbb{T}_L^* : k_1 \in (-\frac{\pi}{2}, \frac{\pi}{2})\}$,
- Define **bijection** $\Psi : \mathbb{H} \setminus \{o\} \mapsto \mathbb{H}^c \setminus \{p\}$ such that $\Psi(k) = k + (\pm\pi, \dots, \pm\pi)$.
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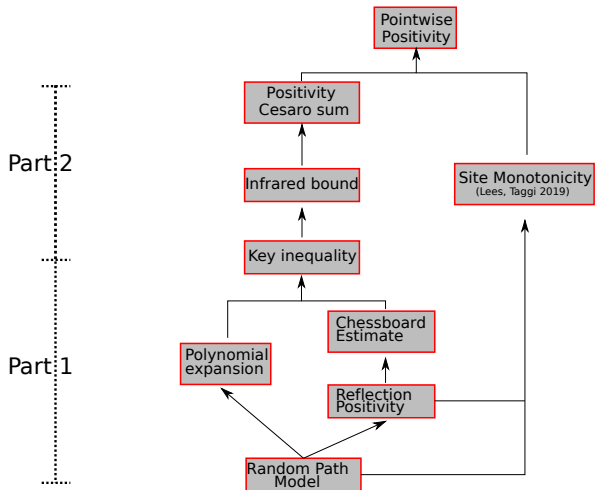


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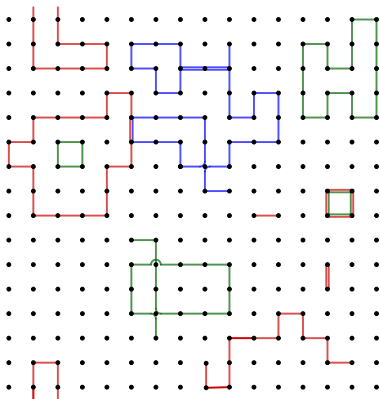
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The random path model



- (i) arbitrary number of undirected loops, double dimers and walks,
- (ii) such objects are allowed to 'use' the same edge multiple times,
- (iii) it can be used to **represent** different models by choosing the *weight function* appropriately: e.g. spin $O(N)$ model, loop $O(N)$ model, random permutations, dimer model.
- (iv) it will be possible for the walks to enter 'from the top'

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where $m_e \in \mathbb{N}$ represents the **number of links on the edge** e .

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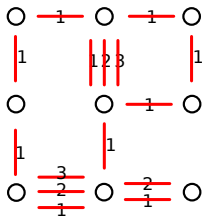
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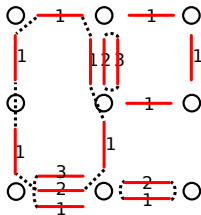
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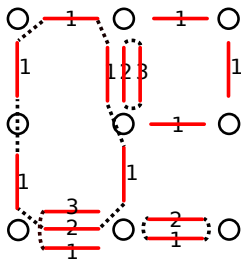


Definition (Measure)

For any $w \in \mathcal{W}_G$, define the (not normalised, possibly signed) measure,

$$\forall w = (m, \pi) \quad \mu_{G, N, \lambda}(w) = \left(\prod_{e \in \mathcal{E}} \frac{\lambda^{m_e}}{m_e!} \right) \left(\prod_{x \in \mathcal{V}} U_x(w) \right) N^{\mathcal{L}(w)}$$

where $U = (U_x)_{x \in \mathcal{V}}$ are the **weight functions**, U_x has **domain** $\{x\}$ and $\mathcal{L}(w)$ is the number of *link-connected components* of w .

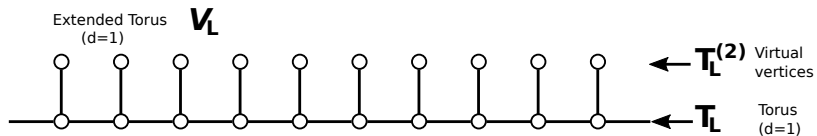




T_L

Torus
($d=1$)

Random path model

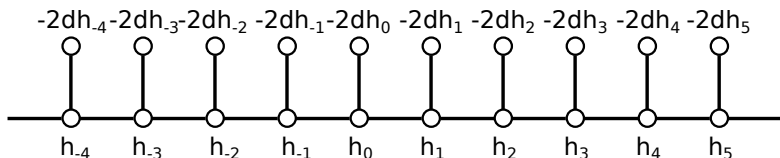


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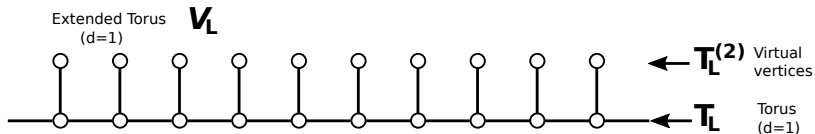
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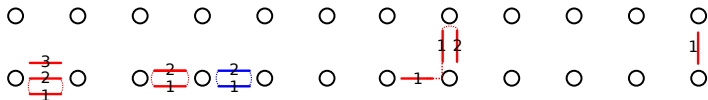


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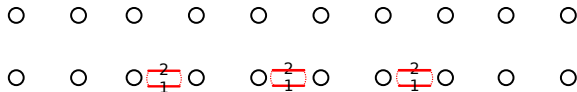
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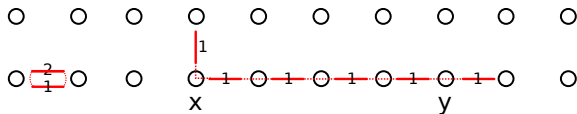
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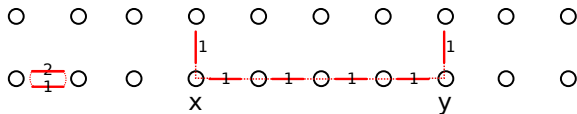
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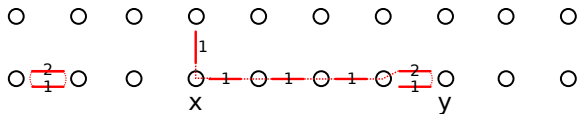
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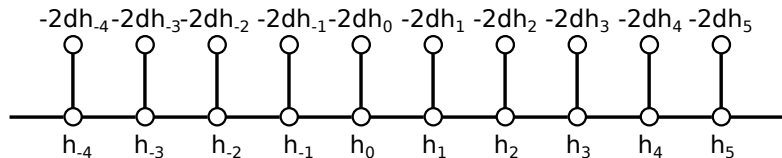
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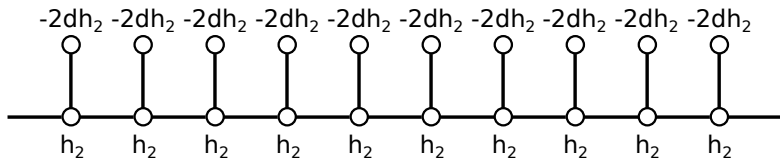
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Derivation Key Inequality from Chessboard estimate and Polynomial expansion

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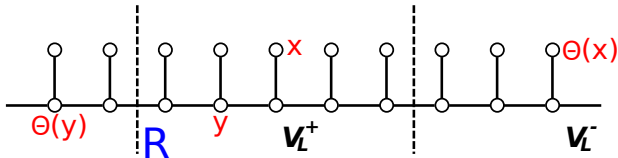
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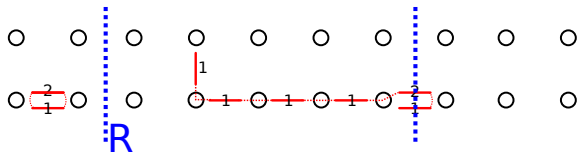


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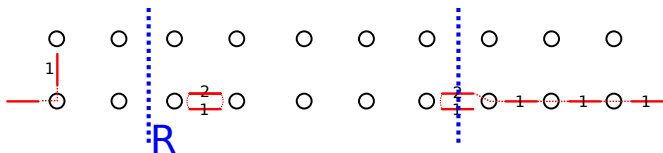


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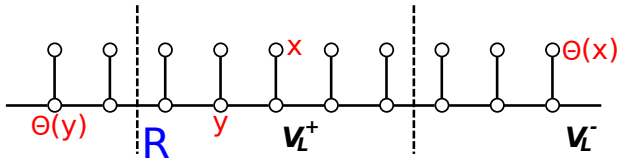


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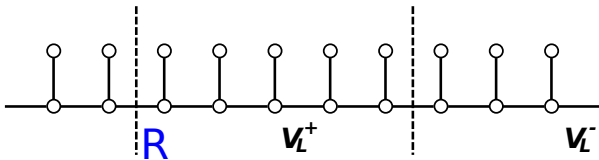
For any pair of functions $f, g \in \mathcal{A}^+$, we have that,

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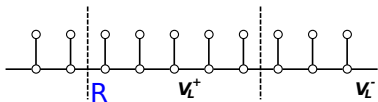
(ii) $\mu_{L,N,\lambda,U}(f \Theta f) \geq 0,$

from which we deduce that $\mu_{L,N,\lambda,U}$ is **reflection positive**, namely:

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Proof of $\mu_{L,N,\lambda,U}(f\Theta f) \geq 0$ when $N = 1$:



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- w^\pm is the **restriction** of w to \mathcal{V}_L^\pm (keep links incident to sites in \mathcal{V}_L^\pm),

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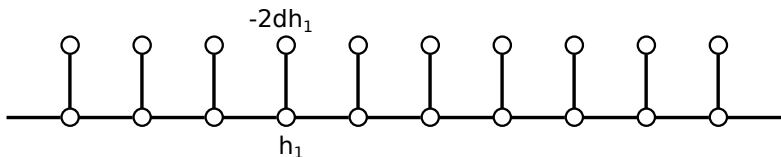
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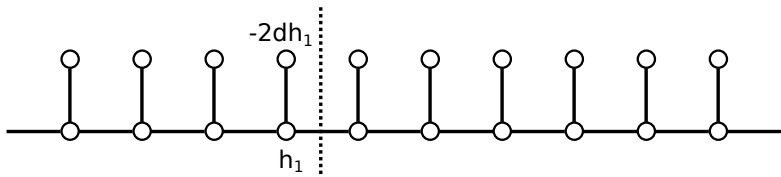
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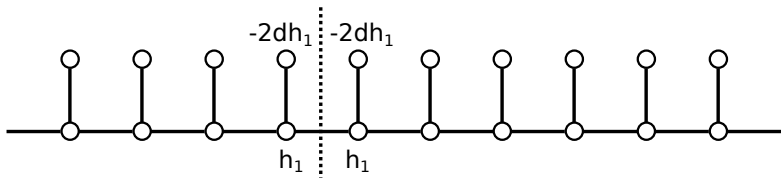
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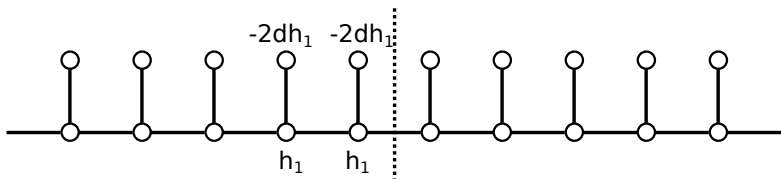
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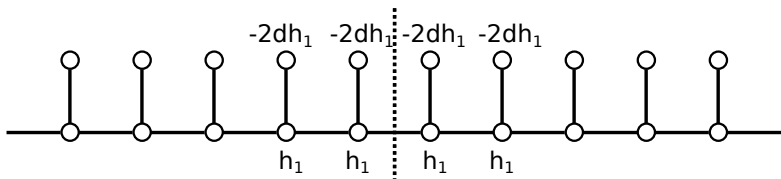
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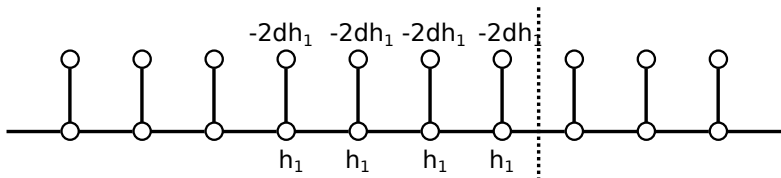
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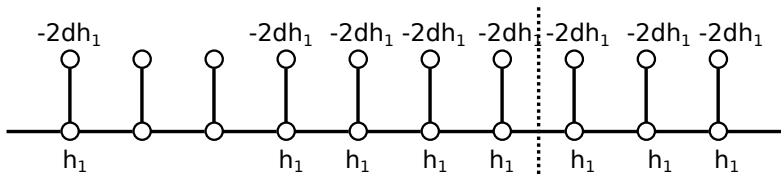
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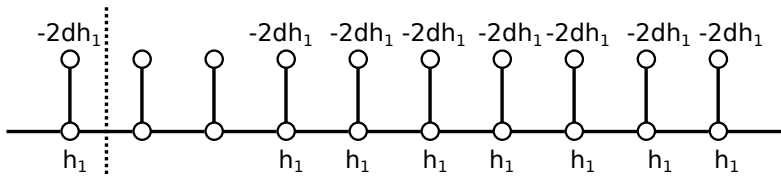
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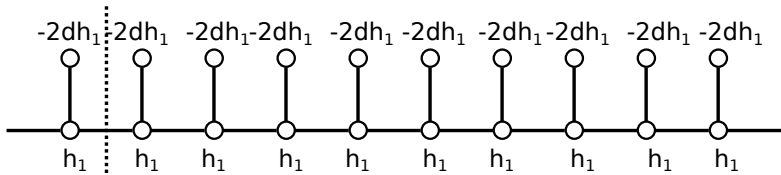
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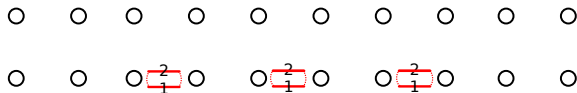


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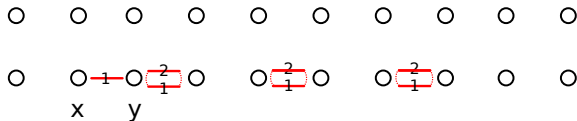
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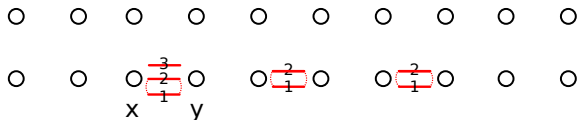
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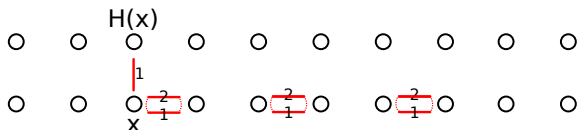
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$$-\frac{1}{2} N \lambda (2 d h_x^2) Z_{L,N,\lambda}^\ell$$



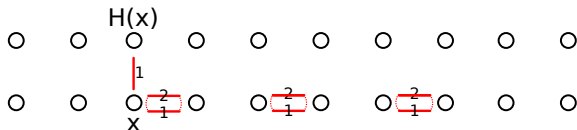
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Summing contributions with a link unpaired at both its end-points:

$$N\lambda \left(\sum_{\{x,y\} \in \mathbb{E}_L} h_x h_y - \sum_{x \in \mathbb{T}_L} dh_x^2 \right) Z_{L,N,\lambda}^\ell = - \sum_{\{x,y\} \in \mathbb{E}_L} (h_y - h_x)^2 \frac{N\lambda}{2} Z_{L,N,\lambda}^\ell. \quad (4)$$



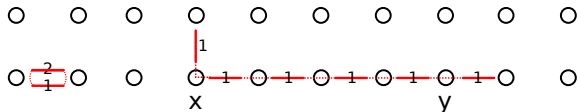
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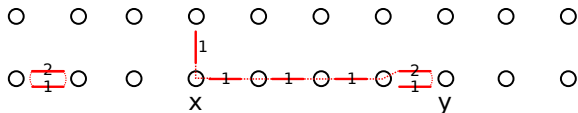
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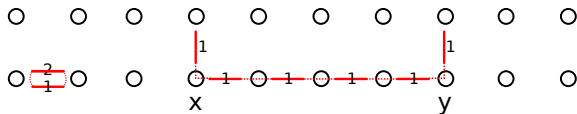
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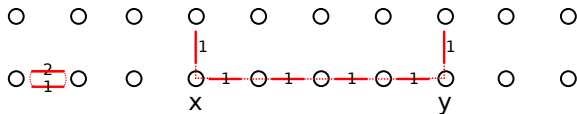
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- Other Applications of the **key inequality** (e.g. Merming-Wagner or polynomial decay of correlations in $d = 2$?)

$$\sum_{x,y \in \mathbb{T}_L} G_{L,N,\lambda}(x,y) (\Delta h)_x (\Delta h)_y \leq \sum_{\{x,y\} \in \mathbb{E}_L} (h_y - h_x)^2.$$

- Implementation of the method for the (loop representation of) **Quantum bose gas** or quantum **Heisenberg model**?