

The polynomial method for percolation and the Potts model

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Introduction

- Method of critical polynomials is used to locate critical points in percolation and the Potts model
- Critical points found as zeros of a graph polynomial
- For many standard problems, the accuracy outstrips Monte Carlo and standard transfer matrix methods
- Provides detailed view of antiferromagnetic regime of the Potts model

Introduction

- Potts model partition function

$$Z = \sum_{\{\sigma\}} \prod_{\langle ij \rangle} \exp(K \delta_{\sigma_i \sigma_j})$$

- Spins $\sigma_i \in \{0, 1, \dots, q - 1\}$
- For $d > 1$, critical points are not known exactly, except for a few special cases in $d = 2$
- Numerical techniques needed: Monte Carlo, transfer matrix

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- Instead of physical representation, we define $v \equiv e^K - 1$ to get random cluster representation

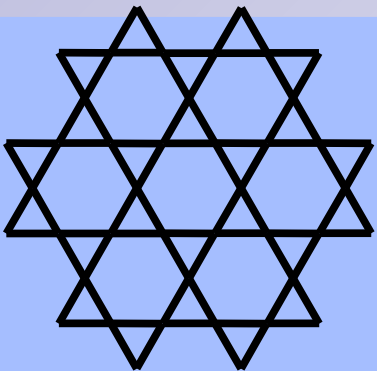
$$Z = \sum_{A \subseteq E} v^{|A|} q^{C(A)}$$

- With $q = 1$ and $v = p/(1 - p)$ we get bond percolation: each edge has probability p of being open. Critical probability p_c marks transition to infinite cluster
- Most critical thresholds are not exactly known in percolation

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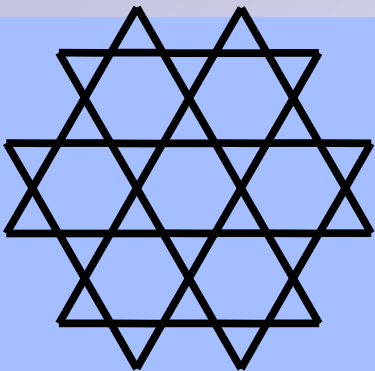


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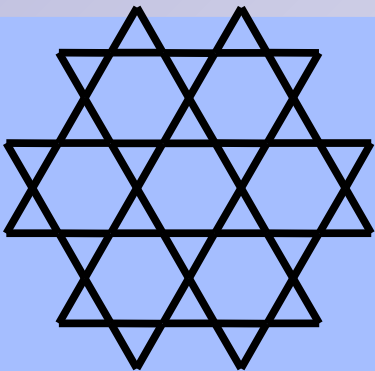
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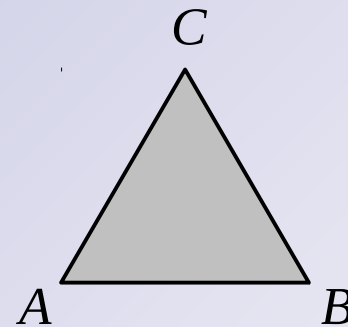
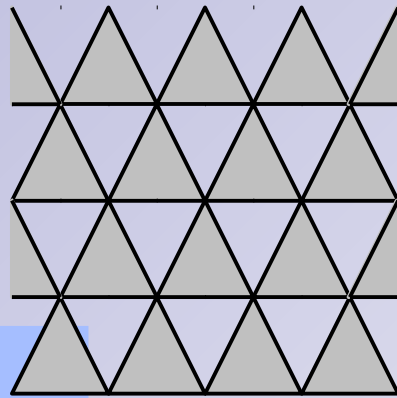
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- Method can be applied on any periodic lattice and for any q

2D Exact Solutions

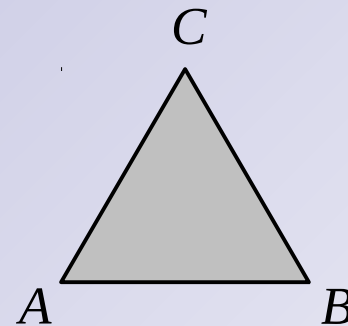
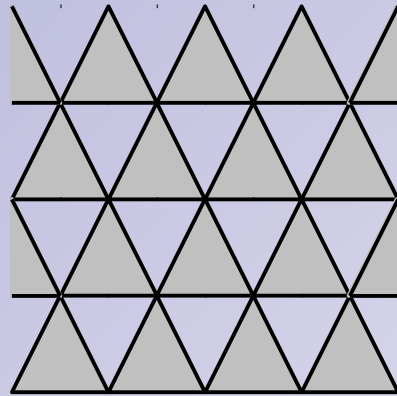
- In two dimensions, problems with unit cells contained between three vertices can be solved exactly



- The critical manifolds are always given by zeros of polynomials in v and q

Critical Polynomials

- Percolation critical criterion



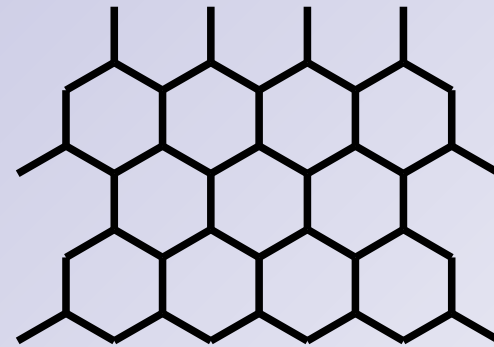
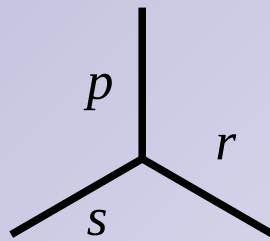
$$P(A, B, C) = P(\bar{A}, \bar{B}, \bar{C})$$

- Grey triangle can be essentially any network of vertices and edges (CS 2006, Ziff 2006, Bollobás and Riordan 2010)

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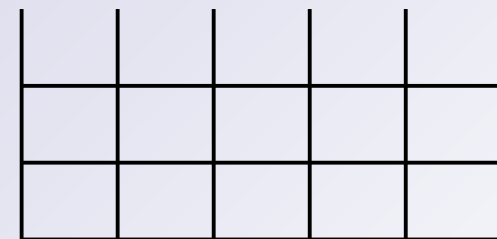
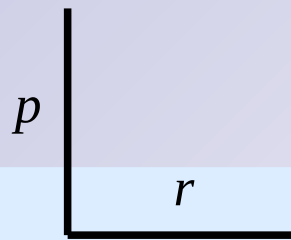
- Examples: $P(A, B, C) - P(\bar{A}, \bar{B}, \bar{C}) = 0$

Hexagonal lattice:



$$H(p, r, s) = prs - pr - ps - rs + 1 = 0$$

Square lattice:



$$S(p, r) = H(p, r, 1) = 1 - p - r = 0$$

Critical Polynomials

- All critical surfaces are multi-linear functions in the probabilities
- Setting all probabilities equal gives critical polynomial

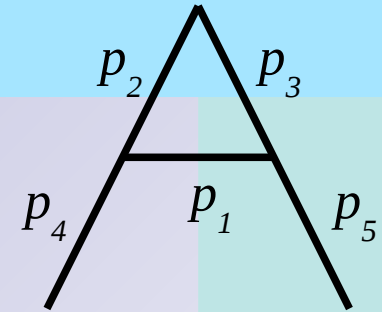
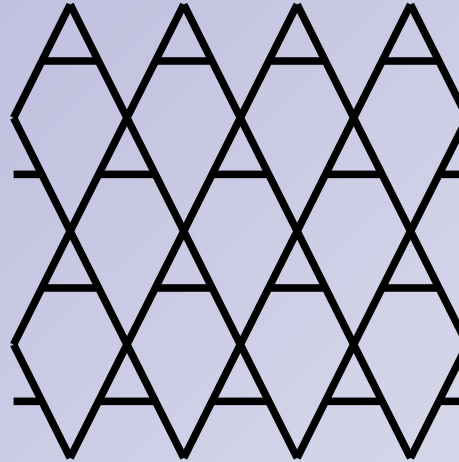
Hexagonal lattice: $H(p, p, p) = p^3 - 3p^2 + 1 = 0$

$$p_c = 1 - 2 \sin \pi/18 \approx 0.652704$$

- So all exact thresholds are algebraic numbers
- Critical surfaces satisfy deletion-contraction identity

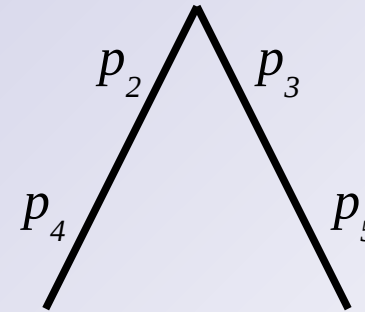
Deletion-Contraction

Known: A lattice



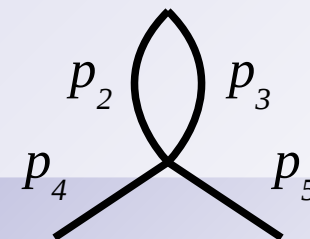
Delete p_1 bond by setting $p_1=0$:

$$S(p_2p_4, p_3p_5)$$



Contract p_1 bond by setting $p_1=1$:

$$H(1 - [1 - p_2][1 - p_3], p_4, p_5)$$



Deletion-Contraction

Deletion-contraction formula for the A lattice:

$$A(p_1, p_2, p_3, p_4, p_5) = p_1 H(1 - [1 - p_2][1 - p_3], p_4, p_5) + (1 - p_1) S(p_2 p_4, p_3 p_5)$$

Expand and set all probabilities equal

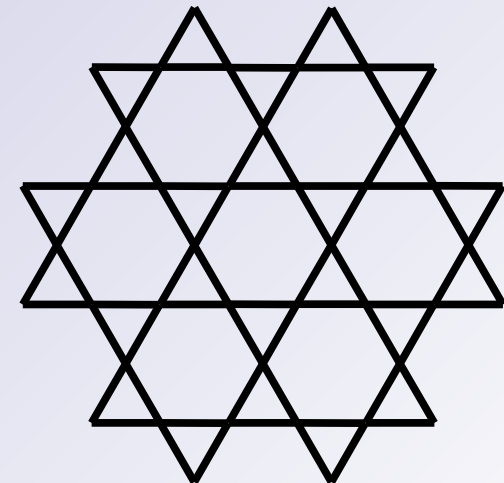
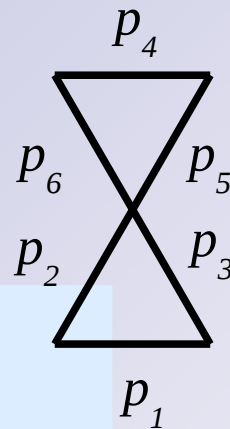
$$A(p, p, p, p, p) = 1 - 2p^2 - 3p^3 + 4p^4 - p^5 = 0$$
$$p_c \approx 0.625457$$

Consistent with using criticality condition directly

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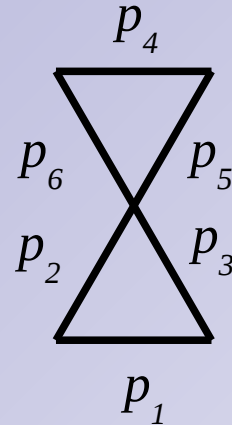
- Definition of critical polynomial can be extended to any periodic lattice using D-C
- Example: the unit cell of the kagome lattice is contained between four vertices and thus it is not exactly solvable

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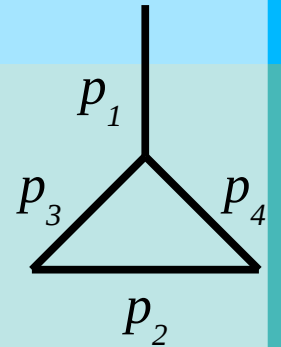


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Known: B lattice

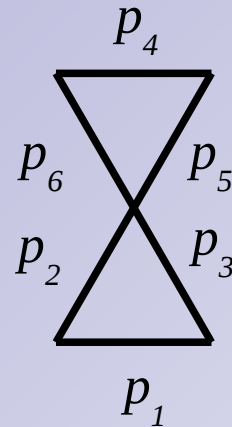


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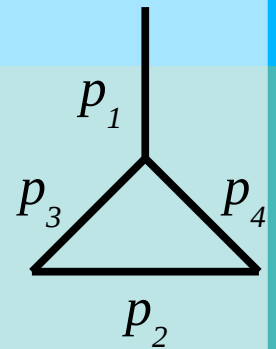
$$K(p_1, p_2, p_3, p_4, p_5, p_6) = p_4 B(1 - [1 - p_5][1 - p_6], p_1, p_2, p_3) \\ + (1 - p_4) A(p_1, p_2, p_3, p_5, p_6) = 0$$

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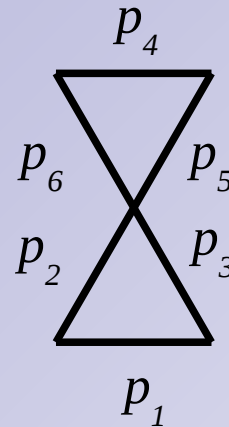
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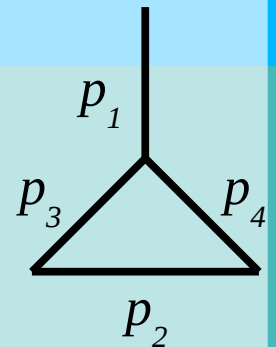
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(CS and R.M. Ziff 2006) $p_c \approx 0.52442971$

Transfer Matrix: $p_c = 0.52440499(2)$

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Not exact, but close!

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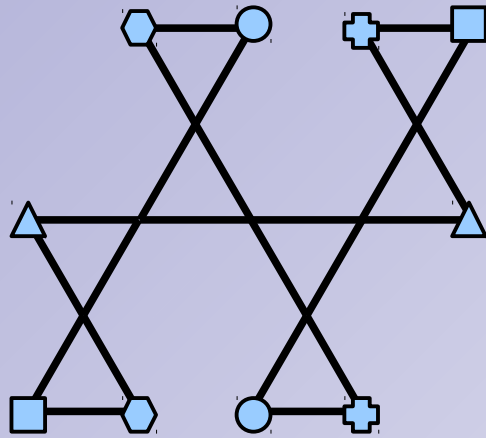
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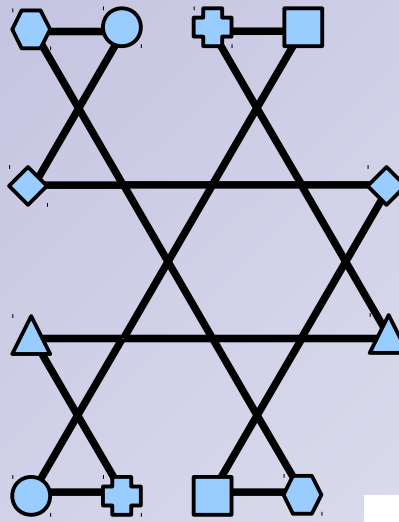
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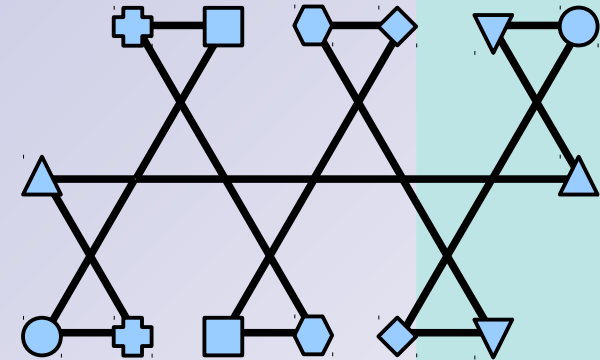
Kagome lattice



2x2



3x2



2x3

base	polynomial	error
1x1	0.52442971...	2.5×10^{-5}
2x2	0.52440672...	1.7×10^{-6}
3x2	0.52440607...	1.1×10^{-6}
2x3	0.52440572...	6.9×10^{-7}

$$\begin{aligned}
 &1 - 6p^4 - 24p^5 - 14p^6 + 36p^7 + 39p^8 - 100p^9 \\
 &- 462p^{10} + 780p^{11} + 4583p^{12} + 4812p^{13} \\
 &- 9276p^{14} - 71600p^{15} - 85626p^{16} \\
 &+ 312336p^{17} + 1091146p^{18} - 509340p^{19} \\
 &- 9675936p^{20} + 5297340p^{21} + 66607704p^{22} \\
 &- 151097304p^{23} - 5319734p^{24} + 610494828p^{25} \\
 &- 1461237180p^{26} + 2022998000p^{27} \\
 &- 1949295060p^{28} + 1387593528p^{29} \\
 &- 745850356p^{30} + 303533928p^{31} \\
 &- 92388675p^{32} + 20427736p^{33} - 3103578p^{34} \\
 &+ 290052p^{35} - 12579p^{36} = 0,
 \end{aligned}$$

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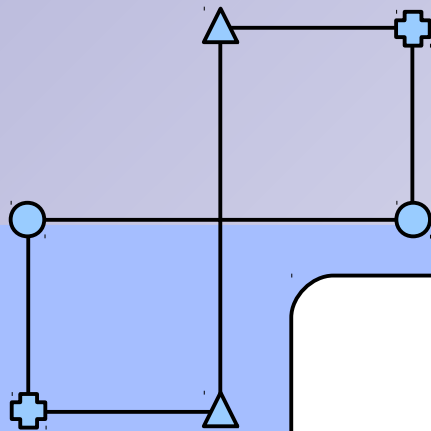
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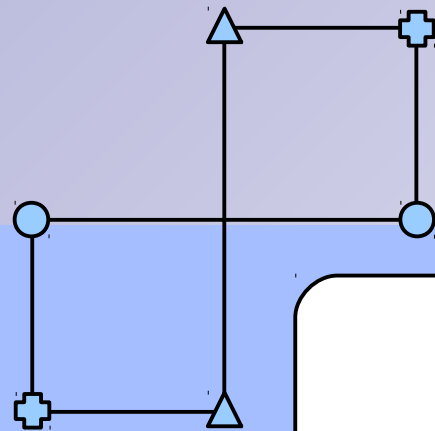
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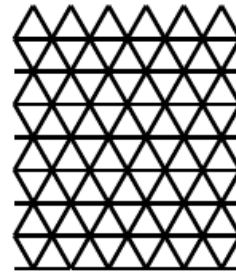
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- If the unit cell polynomial does not give the exact answer, then **no finite basis will either**

Archimedean Lattices

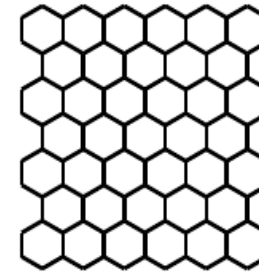
11 lattices for which all vertices are equivalent

Only 3 of these have exactly known bond thresholds

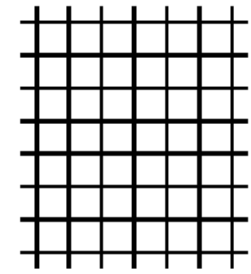
Grünbaum-Shepard naming convention; e) $(4,8^2)$, f) $(3^3,4^2)$, etc.



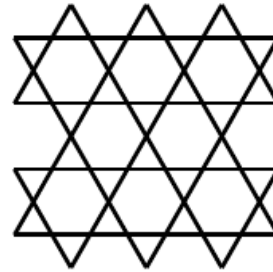
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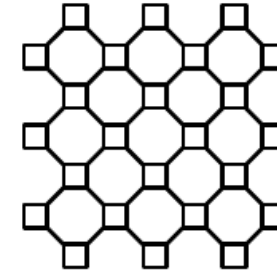
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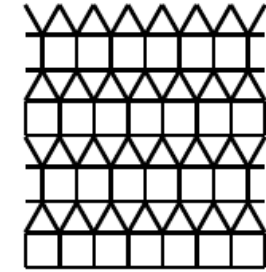
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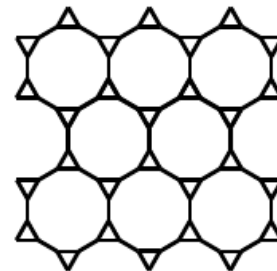
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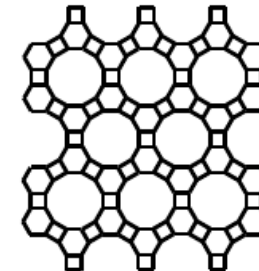
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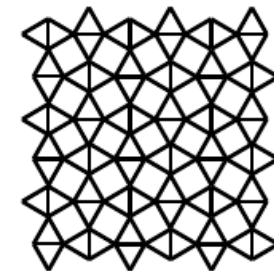
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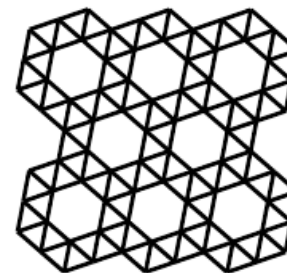
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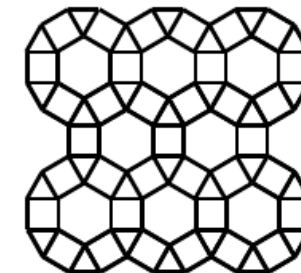
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Lattices	Polynomial	Numerical	Difference
kagome	0.52440572...	0.52440499(2)	6.9×10^{-7}
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$(3^3,4^2)$	0.41964531...	0.41964191(43)	3.6×10^{-7}
$(3,12^2)$	0.74042099...	0.74042077(2)	2.2×10^{-7}
$(4,6,12)$	0.69375829...	0.69373383(72)	1.6×10^{-5}
$(3^2,4,3,4)$	0.41412438...	0.41413743(46)	1.3×10^{-5}
$(3^4,6)$	0.43435240...	0.4343282(2)	2.4×10^{-5}
$(3,4,6,4)$	0.52483166...	0.52483258(53)	9.1×10^{-7}

Numerics: kagome: Feng, Deng and Blöte PRE 78 031136 2008,
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the rest: Parviainen JPA 40 (2007) 9253

Polynomials: CS, J Stat Mech 2012

Part 2

(work with Jesper Jacobsen)

Critical Polynomials

- Critical polynomial easily generalized to the Potts model
- Deletion-contraction in random cluster representation (Sokal 2005)

$$P_B(q, \{v\}) = v_e P_{B/e}(q, \{v\}_{\neq e}) + P_{B \setminus e}(q, \{v\}_{\neq e})$$

- Computer implementation requires minor modifications (J.L. Jacobsen and CS, 2012)
- Deletion-contraction still limited to ~ 36 edges

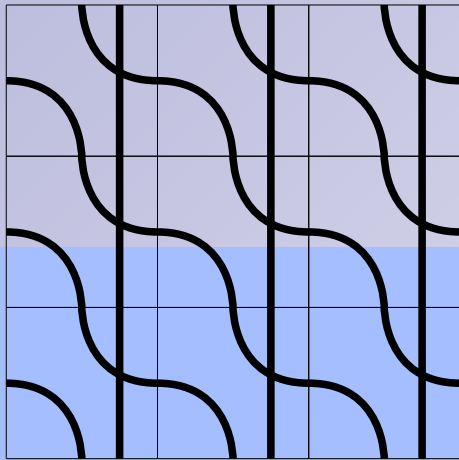
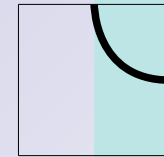
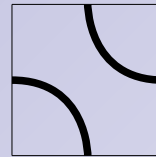
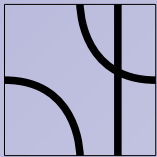
Polynomial Redefinition

- Random cluster representation has another advantage
- Gives a clear picture of the actual events underlying the polynomial
- By inspection of a few cases, we can easily infer an alternate definition of the critical polynomial:

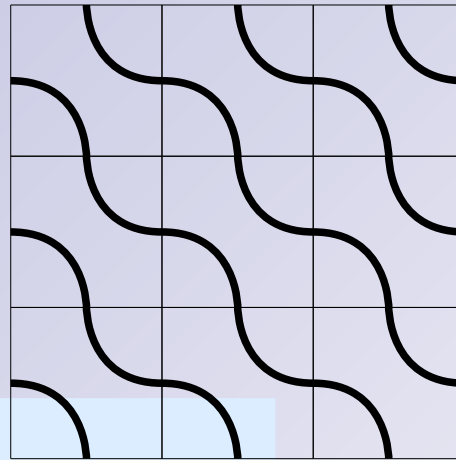
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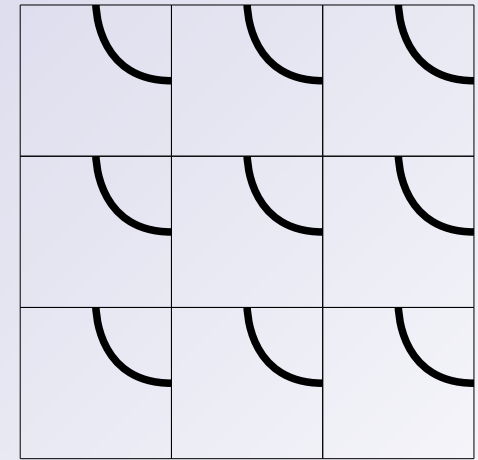
- Three global events on a basis



$2D$



$1D$



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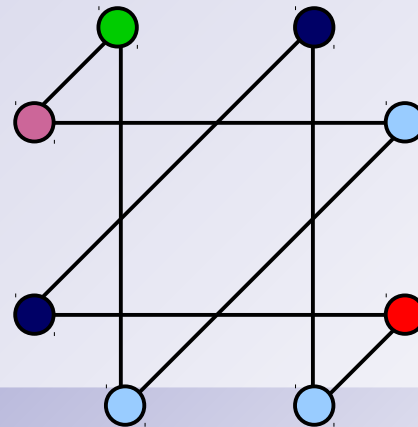
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- Potts generalization: $P(2D) = qP(0D)$

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- New definition allows the use of the transfer matrix
- The strategy is to compute the weight of every boundary connectivity state, then pick out the 2D and 0D states and set their weights equal (and multiply by q)

boundary connectivity:
planar partitions



Transfer Matrix

- Build complete basis edge by edge
- Compute the weight (restricted partition function) for each planar partition
- Put weights into a vector
- Addition of an edge corresponds to the action of a sparse matrix on the weight vector
- Transfer matrix gives weights of completed basis

$$\mathbf{Z}_f = T\mathbf{Z}_i$$

Transfer Matrix

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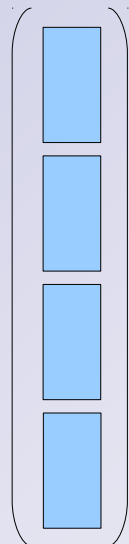
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A diagram showing a weight vector \mathbf{z} as a column of four blue squares, each representing a component of the vector. The squares are arranged vertically and enclosed in a large right-facing curly bracket. The vector is shown to the right of an equals sign.

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Polynomial: $v_c = 1.8764595734(3)$ (Jacobsen 2014)

Conventional: $v_c = 1.876458(3)$ (Ding, Fu, Guo, Wu 2010)

$$q = 4$$

Polynomial: $v_c = 2.1562545798(8)$ (Jacobsen 2014)

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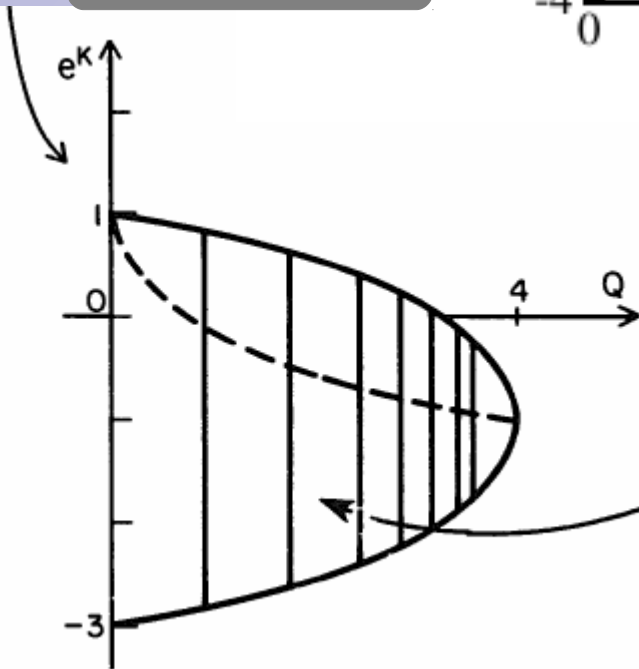
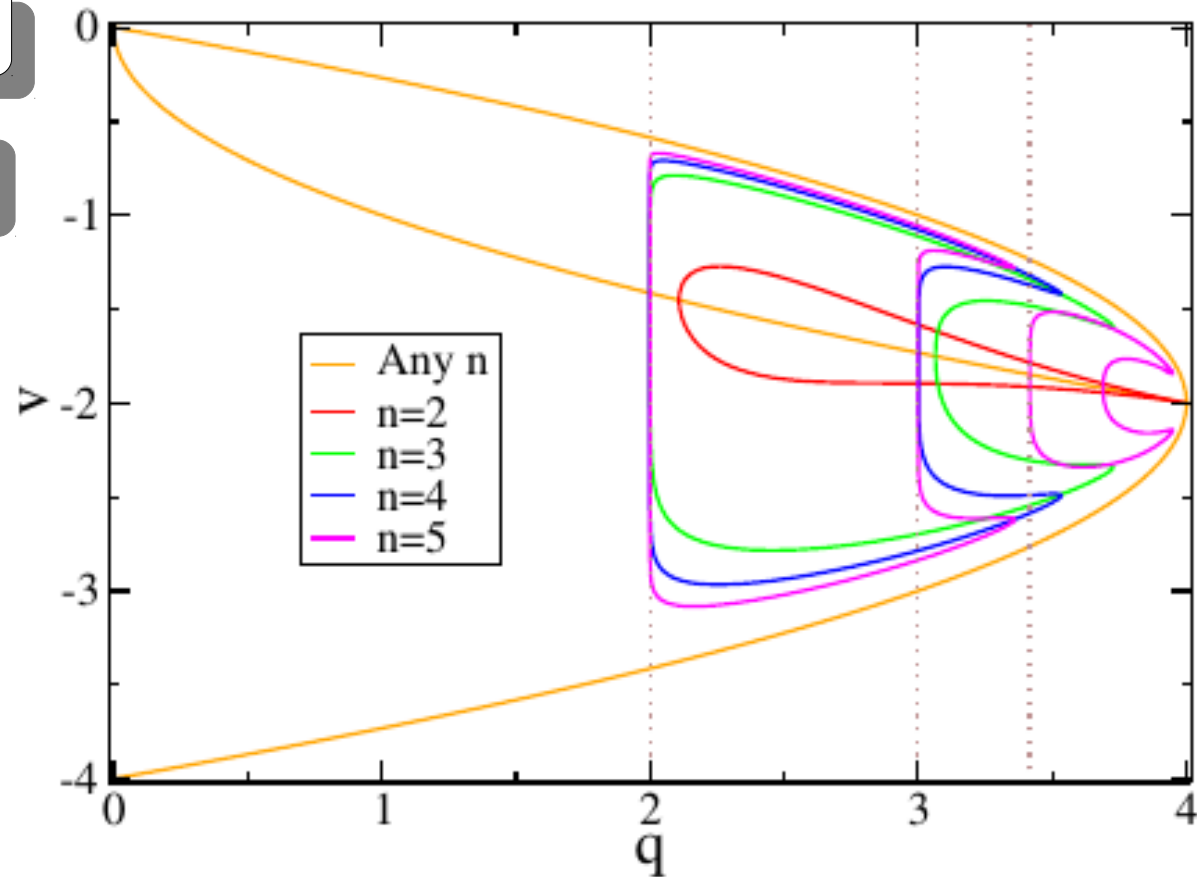
Phase Diagrams

- Method allows us to find phase diagrams in the (q,v) plane
- Maximum basis size of 6×6 using supercomputer
- Phase diagrams reveal many new and mysterious features in the antiferromagnetic regime

Square Lattice

Jacobsen 2014:

Saleur 1991:



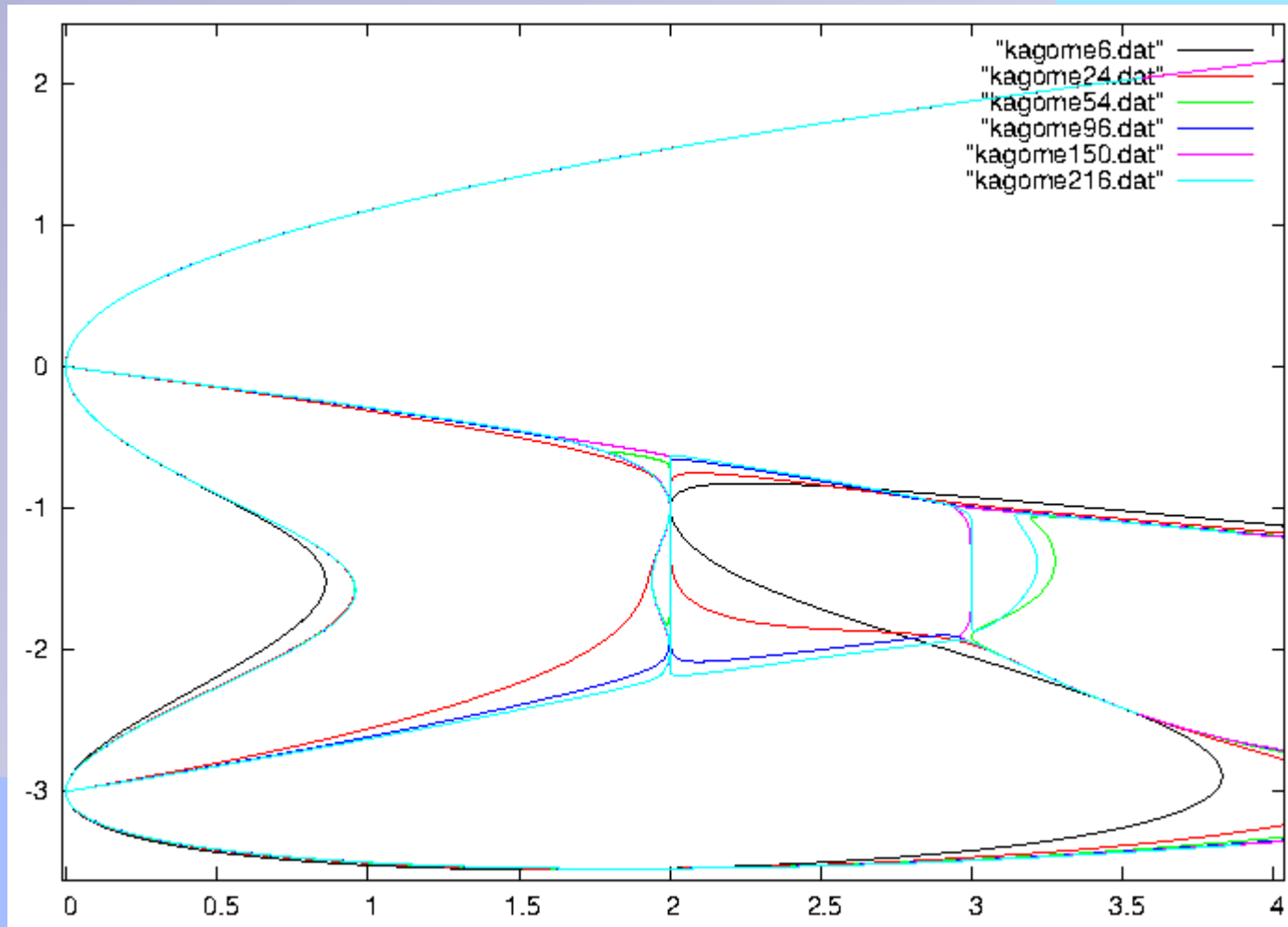
Clearly visible Berker-Kadanoff phase

Vertical rays occur at Beraha numbers:

$$B_k = 4 \cos^2 \pi/k$$

Polynomial: only B_{2k}

Kagome Lattice



Questions

- Why does it work? (Universality)
- Why is the critical polynomial better than other polynomials?
- What is the exponent w ?
- What is going on the phase diagrams?
- Can it be extended to 3D?
- What other models can be handled with this approach?

Conclusion

- We introduced the critical polynomial
- The zeros of the critical polynomial make accurate predictions of the critical points for the Potts model
- Early days for the method: we hope many discoveries await!