Planar spatial random permutations

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- Periodic boundary conditions.
- Question: Existence, distribution, geometry and evolution (under Glauber dynamics) of long cycles.

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- ► MCMC for the cubic lattice: [Grosskinsky-Lovisolo-Ueltschi 2012]
 - Numerical support for all the above statements in the lattice case. See also [Gandolfo-Ruiz-Ueltschi 2007]
 - Geometry: points in long cycles are equidistributed.
 - Dynamics: split-merge process.

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- Analogue in spatial random permutations: bubbles.

[see also Sütö 1993]









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KT phase transition in SRP

- Qunatity to observe: $\mathbb{P}(x_i \sim x_j)$ as a function of $|x_i x_j|$.
- $x_i \sim x_j$ means that they are in the same cycle.
- Let $\ell(x_i)$ denote the length of the cycle containing x_i .
- For large β : High temperature estimate leads to

 $\mathbb{P}(|x_i - x_j| > n) \leq \mathbb{P}(\ell(x_i) > cn) \leq \exp(-\alpha n) \qquad (c, \alpha > 0).$

► Reasonable assumption: For all β > 0 there exist C > 0 such that whenever |x_i = x_j| = n

 $\mathbb{P}(\ell(x_i) > cn) \ge \mathbb{P}(x_i \sim x_j) \ge \mathbb{P}(\ell(x_i) > Cn^2).$

▶ P(ℓ(x_i) > c) = the fraction of points in cycles longer than c and thus numerically easy to observe.

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Assuming that SRP cycles are SLE curves, we get

$$\kappa(\beta) = 8(d_{\rm H} - 1) = 8(1 - \frac{7}{10}\beta) = 8 - \frac{28}{5}\beta;$$

for $\kappa = 4$ (transition from simple to non-simple curves) we find $\beta = \frac{5}{7} \approx 0.71$. This fits well with the KT-Transition!



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Thank you for your attention!

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