

Poisson-Dirichlet statistics for
the extremes of log-correlated Gaussian fields

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- ▶ Hierarchical cases (Polymers on tree, BBM)
- ▶ Non-Hierarchical cases (2DGFF, MRM)

2. Main Result: Poisson-Dirichlet Statistics of the Gibbs weights (Gibbs measure is supported on extremes)

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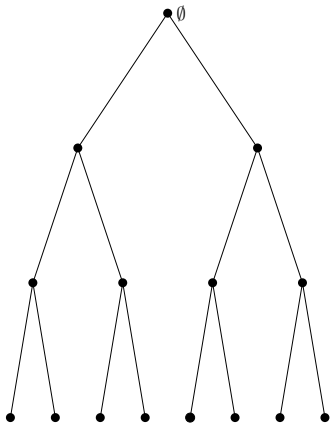
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- ▶ Tree approximation: Bolthausen, Deuschel, Giacomin
- ▶ Spin Glass tools: Ghirlanda-Guerra Identities, Bovier-Kurkova Lemma

4. Beyond the Gibbs measure: the Extremal Process

1. Examples of log-correlated fields

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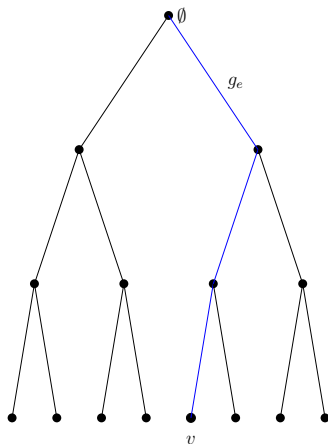
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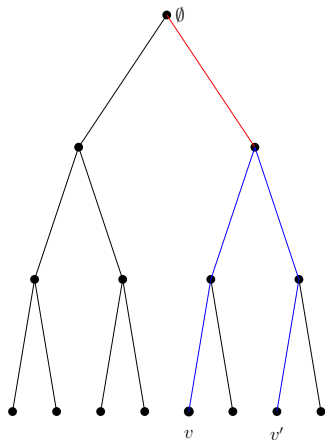


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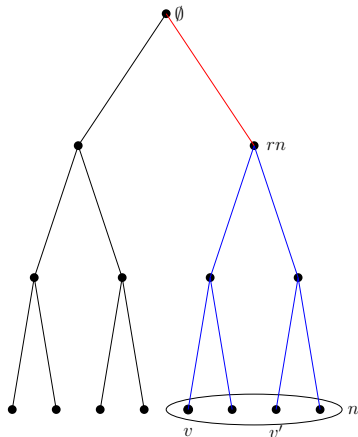
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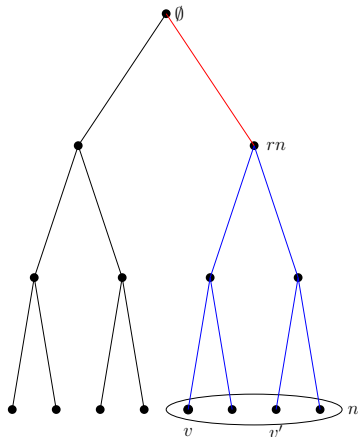
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$$\mathbb{E}[X_v X_{v'}] = E^v \left[\sum_{k=0}^{\tau_{\partial \mathcal{V}_n}} 1_{\{S_k=v'\}} \right].$$

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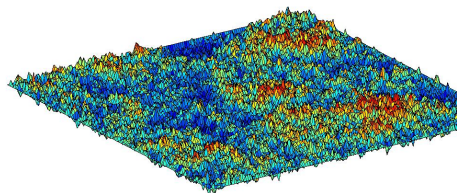


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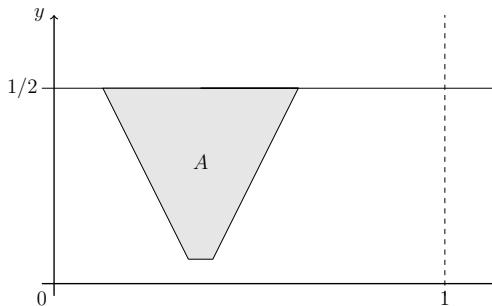
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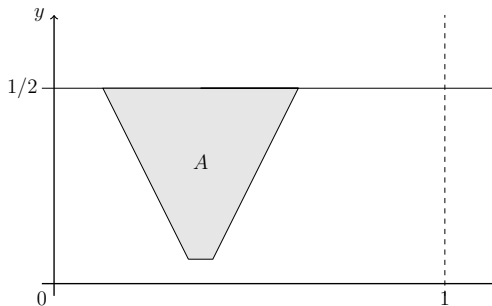


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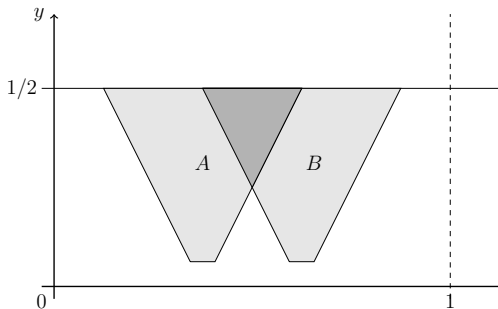


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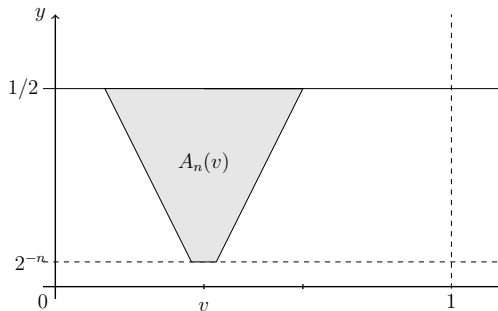
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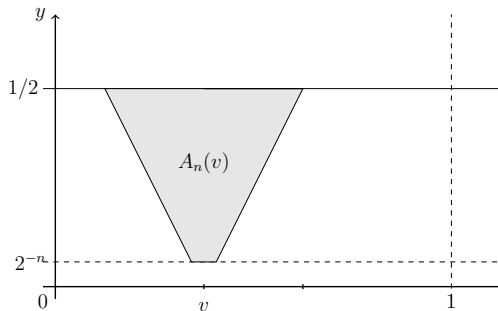
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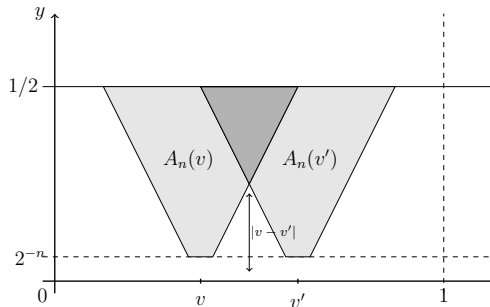
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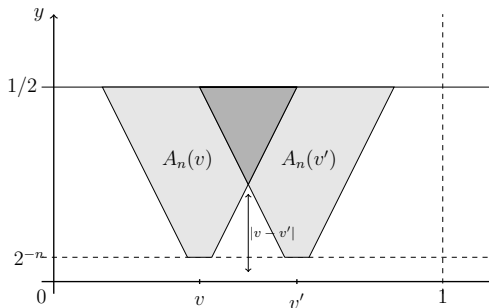
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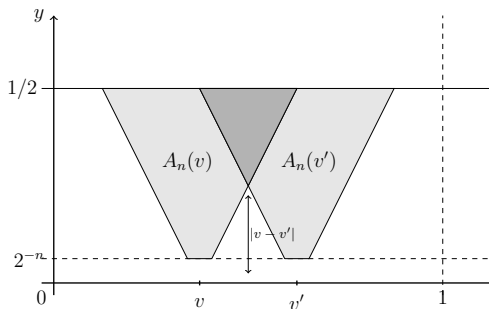
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- ▶ Gaussian fields considered have **strong correlations**, of the order of the variance (\sim spin glasses).
- ▶ The problem of determining fine statistics (law of the maximum, point process of extremes) is typically very hard.
- ▶ A more robust approach, but coarser, is through the **Gibbs weights**.

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$$f(\beta) := \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{\log 2^n} \log Z_n(\beta)$$

- ▶ **Gibbs measure:** Measure on \mathcal{X}_n concentrating on extremes as $\beta \rightarrow \infty$

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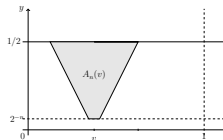
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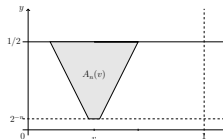
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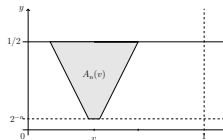
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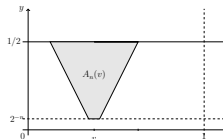
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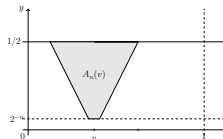
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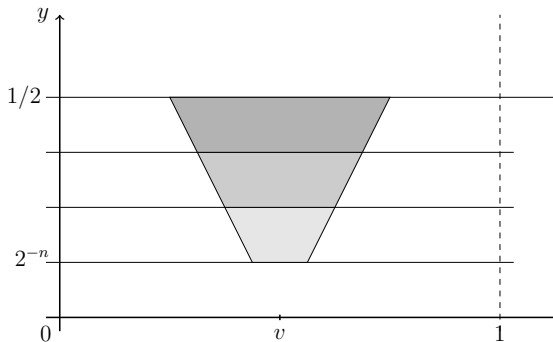
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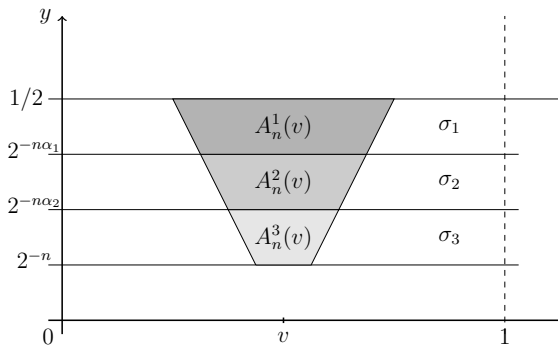
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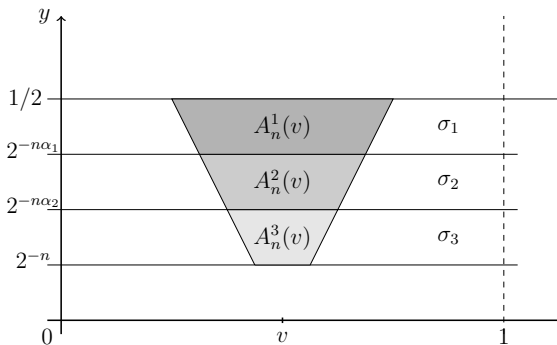
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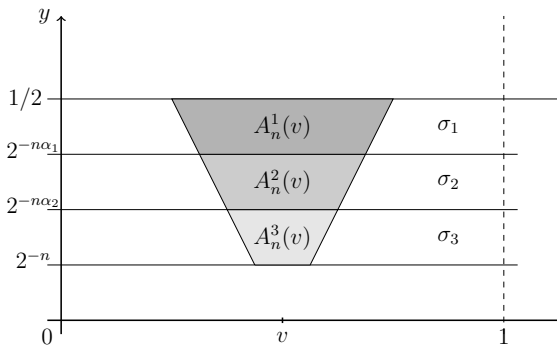


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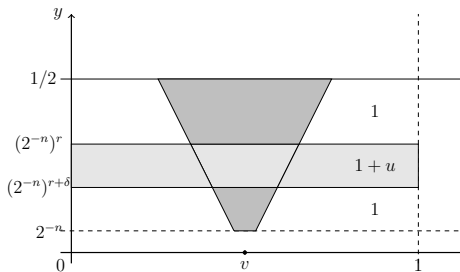
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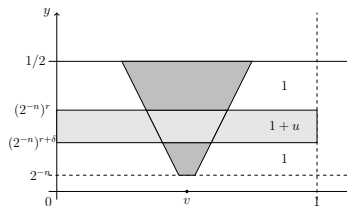
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Lemma (Bovier & Kurkova '04)

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To compute the free energy, it suffices to compute the log-number of high points

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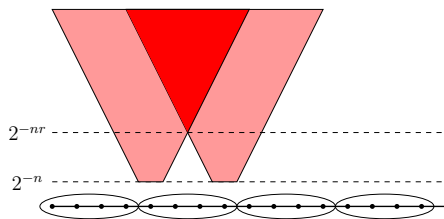
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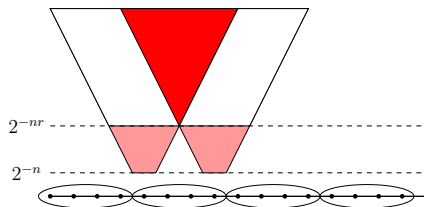
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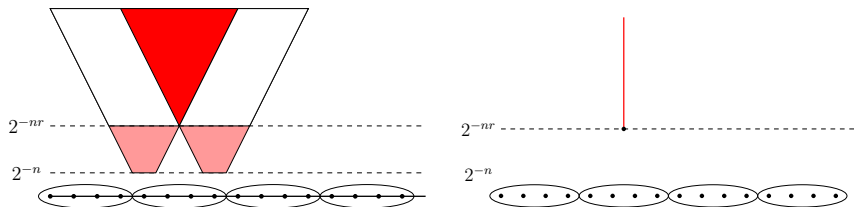
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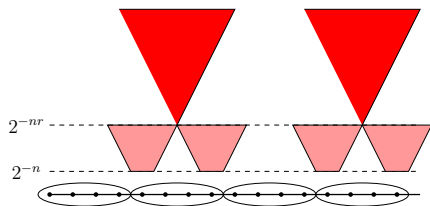
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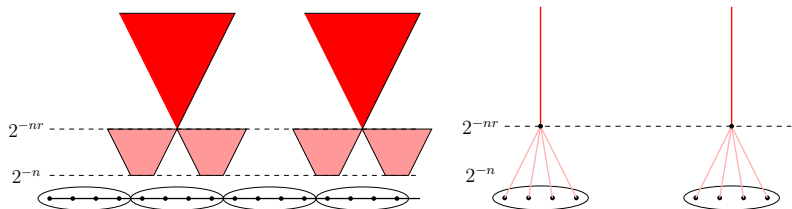
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- ▶ Bramson '78: for BBM, $\max_v X_v - m(n)$ converges as $n \rightarrow \infty$ for an appropriate $m(n)$.
- ▶ The limit law is **not Gumbel** as in the REM.
- ▶ $(X_v - m(n), v \in \mathcal{T}_n)$ converges to a **Poisson cluster process** (A, Bovier & Kistler '11, Aïdekon, Berestycki, Brunet & Shi '11).

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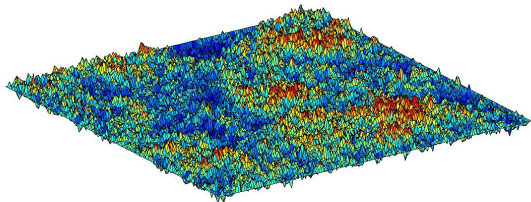
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- ▶ Recent results: BDG '01, Bramson & Zeitouni '10, Ding & Zeitouni '12, Duplantier, Rhodes, Sheffield & Vargas '12
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- ▶ Result on Extremal process: Biskup & Louidor '13



Thank you !

