

Crossing probabilities in Voronoi Percolation

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A Voronoi tiling of the plane is obtained by first generating a point process η in the plane and then assigning to each point $x \in \eta$ the cell C_x consisting of those y which are closer to x than to any other point of η . Colouring cells red and blue independently with probability $1/2$ we obtain a Voronoi percolation configuration in the plane.

A straightforward symmetry argument shows that the probability of a red horizontal crossing of a square is precisely $1/2$. This symmetry argument breaks if one has already generated the Voronoi tiling. Could it be that the crossing event is very much dependent on the choice fo the point process η ?

We prove the conjecture of Benjamini, Kalai and Schramm, which states informally that the randomness comes from the colouring rather than the choice of the point process. Specifically, writing H_n for the event of a horizontal red crossing of $[0, n]^2$, we prove that

$$\Pr(H_n|\eta) \xrightarrow{p} \frac{1}{2}.$$

We also discuss Noise Sensitivity properties of percolation, including the quenched Voronoi percolation model discussed above.

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