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Random Spanning Trees

Reminder

If G & G^* are loc. fin., planar & dual to each other,
 $F \subseteq E(G)$ is a spanning forest, define $F^* \subseteq E(G^*)$ defined
by $e^* \in F^* \Leftrightarrow e \notin F$. [really a forest when F has no finite
components - otherwise it's still spanning but may contain a cycle.]

Prop $F \sim \text{WMSF}(G) \Rightarrow F^* \sim \text{FMSF}(G^*)$,
in WMSF of G^*

Cor In same setting, if each tree is one-ended a.s., then the FMSF of G^*
in a single tree (boundary of 2 components $\rightarrow$ bi-infinite path).

Invasion Percolation & MST

For each $x \in V$ define $T(x) = \bigcup_{n \geq 0} t_n$ where $t_0 = x$ ^{empty tree on x} , and given
 t_n , t_{n+1} is $t_n \cup \{\text{smallest edge touching } t_n \text{ on exactly one side}\}$.

Prop $\bigcup_{x \in V} T(x) = \text{WMSF}$ for any U injective.

pf. Recall $e \in \text{WMSF} \Leftrightarrow \exists W \subseteq V$ finite & e is lowest in $\partial_e W$. So if
 $e \in T(x)$, then there was some n s.t. $e \in t_n \setminus t_{n-1}$, so
taking $W = V(t_{n-1})$ would work. ~~that~~ $e \in \text{WMSF} \Rightarrow \exists$ such W ,
and $e \in \bigcup_{x \in W} T(x)$ (in fact, for any $x \in W$, $e \in T(x)$) since
this tree must exit W for the first time in e .

Prop MSF on $\mathbb{Z}_2$ is a.s. a tree.

pf. We proved that on $\mathbb{Z}_2$, percolation with $p = 1/2$ has no
infinite clusters. So, if $e \in E(\mathbb{Z}^2)$ s.t. $U(e) \leq 1/2$, then
both endpts. belong to the same cluster, by prev. prop.
Therefore, if it had 2 components, all edges between them
have value $> 1/2$. So, $\{e^* \in \mathbb{Z}^{2*} \mid U^*(e^*) < 1/2\}$ spans an infinite
cluster, which has probability 0 by Harris' thm.

Example (Uniqueness not monotone) Let T = binary tree with each
edge replaced by a 2-path, $p_c(T) = \sqrt{1/2}$. Take $\mathbb{Z}^2$ and

This won't happen in transitive graphs -

Thm G transitive, loc. fin. If $p_2 > p_c > p_c(G)$ & a.s. $\exists ! \infty$ p_2 -cluster
 (Haggstrom peres X Schramm) then a.s. $\exists ! \infty$ p_2 cluster.

Simultaneous Coupling $\{U(e)\}$ are i.i.d. $\sim U[0,1]$, $w_p = \{e \mid U(e) \leq p\}$
 the thm. can be ~~restated~~ ^{proved by proving that} under the same setting, a.s. any
 infinite p_2 -cluster contains an infinite p_1 -cluster (p-cluster =
 cluster in w_p).

Slight Variation on invasion percolation

Start at $x \in V$, $I_1(x)$ = lowest edge incident to x , $I_{n+1}(x) = I_n(x) \cup \{e\}$
 where e is the lowest edge touching $I_n(x)$ not in $I_n(x)$
 $I(x) = \bigcup_n I_n(x)$.

properties

- 1) Given $p \in [0,1]$ ~~an~~ p -cluster, $x \in \eta$ - $I(x) \subseteq \eta$.
- 2) If $\exists e \in I_n(x)$ that touches $I(x)$ and $U(e) \leq p$, $\exists \infty$ p -cluster η s.t. $|I(x) \cap \eta| = \infty$.

Main Thm. G transitive, then a.s. $\forall p > p_c$, all $x \in V$, $\exists$ some
 ∞ p -cluster intersecting $I(x)$.

Cor $p_2 > p_c > p_c$ - any inf. p_2 -cluster $\supseteq$ inf. p_1 cluster.

pf. η inf. p_2 -cluster, take $x \in \eta$ so $I(x) \subseteq \eta$. By main thm.
 $I(x)$ intersects some infinite p_1 cluster.

Lemma 1 G inf. ~~bounded~~ bounded degree, $x \in V$, $R \in \mathbb{N}$. Then
 a.s. $I(x)$ contains $B_R(y)$ for some $y \in V$.

pf. Let $S_R(x) = \{y \in V \mid \text{dist}(x,y) = R\}$, and $\leftarrow$ edges with $\frac{\text{deg}(x,y)}{\text{deg}(x)} \leq R$.

$T_n = \inf \{k \mid \text{dist}_G(I_k(x), S_{2nR}) = R\}$. $|I(x)| = \infty$ so $T_n < \infty$. Let

$y_n \in S_{2nR}$ be s.t. $\text{dist}(I_{T_n}(x), y_n) = R$. Let A be the

prob. 1 event " $\forall p < p_c \nexists \infty$ p -cluster". $A_n = \{e \in B_R(y_n) \mid$

$U(e) \leq p_c(G)\}$ If $A \cap A_n$ occurs, $B_R(y_n) \subseteq I(x)$. Note $B_R(y_n)$

about values $n \in \mathbb{N}$. Then $P(\xi_p = n) > 0$ for some n with probability 1.

Def. $\xi_p(x) = \# \text{edges } (y, z) \text{ s.t. } y \in I(x) \text{ and } z \text{ in some } \infty \text{ p-cluster.}$

Lemma 2 G transitive, $p > p_c$, $x \in V$. Then a.s. $\xi_p(x) = \infty$.

pf Fix $\varepsilon > 0$. $\exists R$ s.t. $\forall y \in V$, $P(B_R(y) \cap \text{some inf cluster}) \geq 1 - \varepsilon$, since there is one with prob. 1. This can be rephrased - if $F \subseteq E(G)$ finite, $A(F) = \{\exists \infty \text{ path in } G \text{ that starts at distance } 1 \text{ from } F \text{ and won't visit } F \text{ again}\}$.

So if $B_R(y) \subseteq F$, $P(A) \geq 1 - \varepsilon$.

By lemma 1, a.s. $\exists k$ s.t. $I_k(x)$ contains $B_R(y)$ for some y . let τ be 1st such k . Since invasion up to time τ does not reveal information about edges outside $I_\tau(x)$ we get $P(A(I_\tau(x)) | I_\tau(x)) \geq 1 - \varepsilon$, so

$P(A(I_\tau(x))) \geq 1 - \varepsilon$. But whenever $A(I_\tau(x))$ holds, $\xi_p \geq 1$ so $P(\xi_p \geq 1) = 1$. If $P(\xi_p = n) > 0$ we can do some local changes to get $P(\xi_p = 0) > 0$. Therefore $P(\xi_p = \infty) = 1$.