

Phase transition in kinetically constrained dynamics

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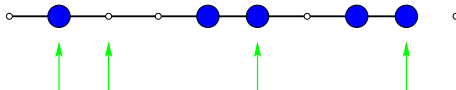


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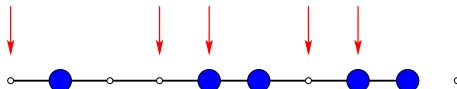


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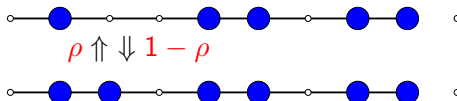


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The markov chain is **reversible** wrt

$$\mu_N = \bigotimes_{i=1}^N \nu_{\rho}(\eta_i) \quad \text{with} \quad \nu_{\rho}(1) = 1 - \nu_{\rho}(0) = \rho$$

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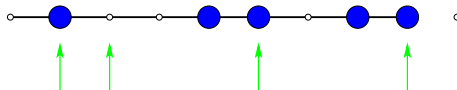
Dynamical parameter to characterize the

- dynamical heterogeneities
- jammed configurations

$\mathcal{A}_i(t) = \{ \text{Number of flips at site } i \text{ during the time interval } [0, t] \}$

Total activity :
$$\mathcal{A}(t) = \sum_i \mathcal{A}_i(t)$$

East model:
$$\mathbb{E}_{\mu_N}(\mathcal{A}(t)) = t(N-1)\rho(1-\rho)^2 + t\rho(1-\rho)$$



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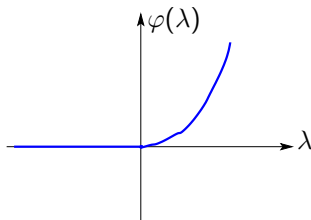
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Phase transition.

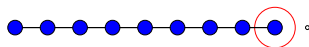
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First order phase transition.

- $\lambda > 0$ then the activity is increased : no singularity
- $\lambda < 0$ then the activity is suppressed



$t = 0$: configuration totally filled

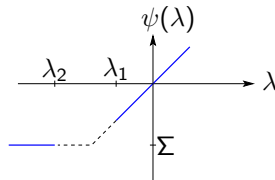
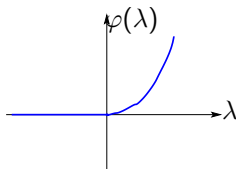
$t > 0$: system is forbidden to move

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Theorem.

There are $\lambda_2 \leq \lambda_1 < 0$ such that

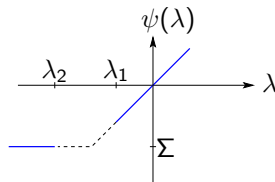
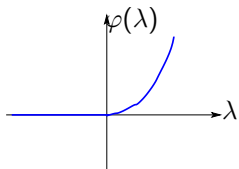
$$\forall \lambda > \lambda_1, \quad \psi(\lambda) = \mathbb{A}\lambda,$$

$$\forall \lambda < \lambda_2, \quad \psi(\lambda) = \Sigma.$$

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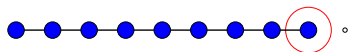
If there was no transition, then

$$\psi(\lambda) \simeq N\varphi\left(\frac{\lambda}{N}\right) = N \left[\varphi(0) + \varphi'(0) \frac{\lambda}{N} + O\left(\frac{1}{N^2}\right) \right] = \varphi'(0)\lambda + O\left(\frac{1}{N}\right)$$

$$\text{As } \varphi'(0) = \mathbb{A} \quad \Rightarrow \quad \psi(\lambda) \simeq \mathbb{A}\lambda$$

Surface tension

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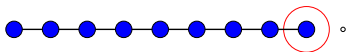


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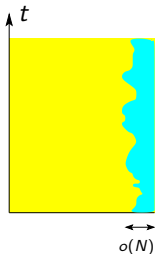
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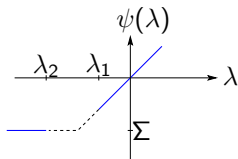
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Surface tension : $\Sigma \in]0, 1 - \rho[$

$$\mathbb{E}_{\mu_N} \left(\exp \left(\frac{\lambda}{N} \mathcal{A}(t) \right) \right) \approx \exp(-\Sigma t)$$

Cost of maintaining an interface during time t



Tilted measures.

$$\mu_{N,\lambda,t}(\cdot) = \frac{\mathbb{E}_{\mu_N}(\cdot \exp(\frac{\lambda}{N} \mathcal{A}(t)))}{\mathbb{E}_{\mu_N}(\exp(\frac{\lambda}{N} \mathcal{A}(t)))}$$

Theorem: density profiles

There are $\lambda_2 \leq \lambda_1 < 0$ such that

$$\forall \lambda > \lambda_1, \quad \mu_{N,\lambda,T} \left(\frac{1}{NT} \int_0^T dt \sum_i \eta_i(t) \in [\rho - \delta_N, \rho + \delta_N] \right) \xrightarrow{T \rightarrow \infty} 1$$

$$\forall \lambda < \lambda_2, \quad \mu_{N,\lambda,T} \left(\frac{1}{NT} \int_0^T dt \sum_i \eta_i(t) \geq (1 - \delta_N) \right) \xrightarrow{T \rightarrow \infty} 1$$

with $\delta_N \rightarrow 0$ as $N \rightarrow \infty$.

Consequence : anomalous large deviation scaling

Large deviations for reducing the activity. Fix $0 \leq u < 1$

$$-\Sigma(1-u) \leq \lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{\textcolor{red}{N} \textcolor{red}{t}} \log \mathbb{P}_{\mu_N} \left(\frac{\mathcal{A}(t)}{\textcolor{red}{N} \textcolor{red}{t}} \approx u\mathbb{A} \right) \leq \lambda_1 \mathbb{A}(1-u)$$

Dynamics without constraints

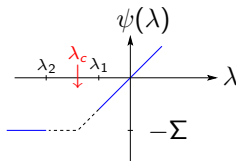
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Other dynamics

Theorem valid for a larger class of 1D dynamics.

Fredrickson Andersen model (FA-1f)

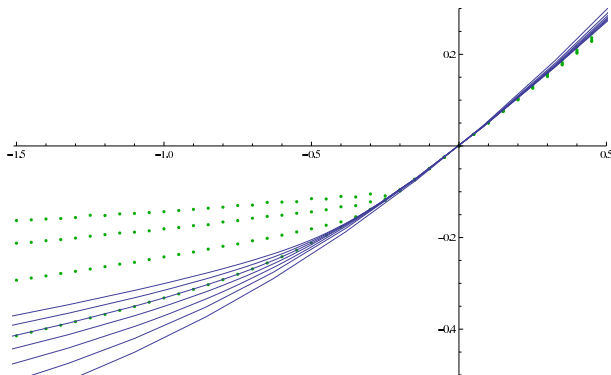
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Question. Extending the results up to λ_c ?

$$\lambda_c = -\frac{\Sigma}{\mathbb{A}}$$

Simulations FA-1f



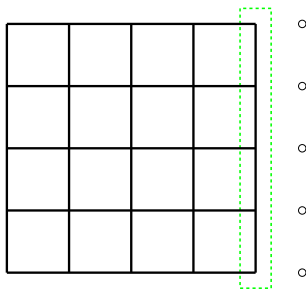
Sizes : 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 10 and 16, 32, 64

Work in progress [B., Lecomte, Toninelli]

Higher Dimensions

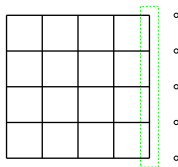
East Model in $\{1, N\}^2 \Leftrightarrow N$ independent East Models in $\{1, N\}$

$$\psi^{(2D)}(\lambda) = \lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{tN} \log \mathbb{E}_{\mu_N} \left(\exp \left(\frac{\lambda}{N} \mathcal{A}(t) \right) \right) = \psi^{(1D)}(\lambda)$$

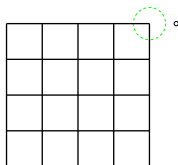


FA-1f in higher Dimensions

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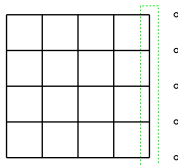


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Only partial results on the inactive regime.

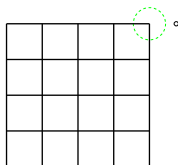
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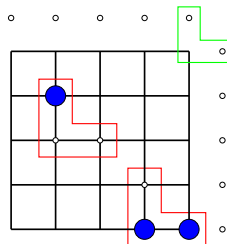
Consequence

Different large deviation scalings

The constraint matters

North-East model.

- North and East sites empty
- $0 \xrightarrow{\rho} 1$ and $0 \xleftarrow{1-\rho} 1$



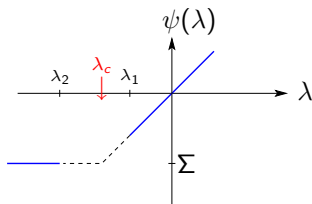
$$\psi^{(NE)}(\lambda) \stackrel{?}{=} \lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{t} \log \mathbb{E}_{\mu_N} \left(\exp \left(\frac{\lambda}{N^2} \mathcal{A}(t) \right) \right).$$

What did we learn ?

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Finite size scaling :

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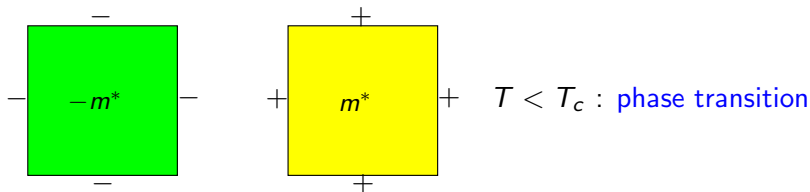
Can one predict something by looking at the activity at $\lambda = 0$?

Box: $\Lambda_N = \{-N, N\}^2$,

Spins : $\sigma = \{\sigma_i\}_{i \in \Lambda_N}$ with $\sigma_i \in \{-1, 1\}$

Hamiltonian:
$$\mathcal{H}(\sigma) = - \sum_{\substack{i \sim j \\ i, j \in \Lambda_N}} \sigma_i \sigma_j - \sum_{i \in \Lambda_N} h_i \sigma_i$$

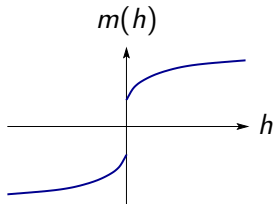
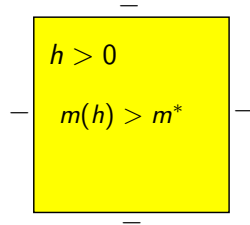
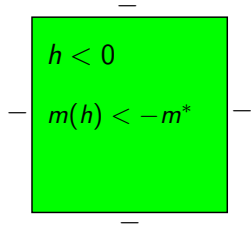
Gibbs measure:
$$\mu_{T,N}(\sigma) = \frac{1}{Z_{T,N}} \exp \left(-\frac{1}{T} \mathcal{H}(\sigma) \right)$$



$h_i = 0$ for i away from the boundary.

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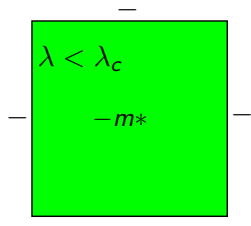
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$m(h)$: magnetization in the infinite volume with field h .

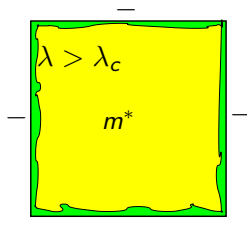
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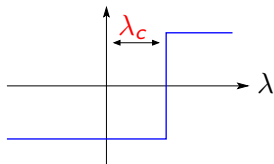
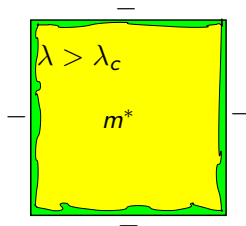
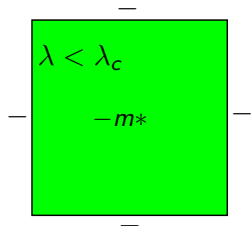
$$N^2 m^* \frac{\lambda}{N} - \tau N$$

Critical parameter :

$$\lambda_c = \frac{\tau}{2m^*}$$

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[Schonmann, Shlosman]
[Borgs, Kotecky]
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Ingredients of the proof

- Donsker-Varadhan large deviation principle
- Local equilibrium (Hydrodynamic theory)
- Surface tension (Equilibrium phase coexistence)

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Donsker-Varadhan theory (in the reversible case)

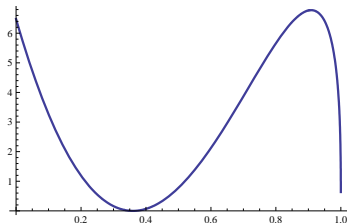
$$\begin{aligned} \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{t} \log \mathbb{E}(\exp(\lambda \mathcal{A}_t)) \\ = \exp(\lambda) \sup_f \left\{ (1 - \exp(-\lambda)) \mu_N \left(f \sum_{i=1}^N c_i(\eta) \right) - \mathcal{D}_N(\sqrt{f}) \right\} \end{aligned}$$

with $f \geq 0$, $\mu_N(f) = 1$ and the Dirichlet form

$$\mathcal{D}_N(f) = \sum_{i=1}^N \mu_N \left(c_i(\eta) (f(\eta^i) - f(\eta))^2 \right).$$

For N large

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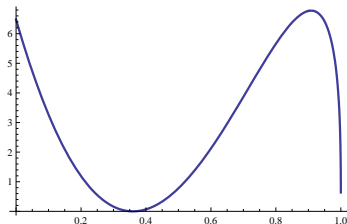


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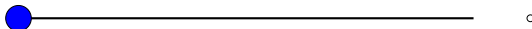
Dirichlet form \Rightarrow **Local equilibrium** : density close to ρ or 1.

Surface tension

Definition.

$\Sigma_L = \inf_f \mathcal{D}_L(f)$ for densities such that $\mu_L(f(\eta)\eta_1) = 1$.

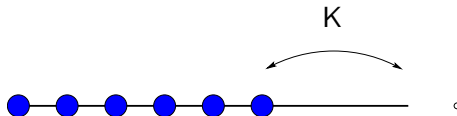
$$\Sigma = \lim_{L \rightarrow \infty} \Sigma_L.$$



Existence of Σ : $L > L'$ then $\Sigma_L < \Sigma_{L'}$.

Surface tension : Lower Bound

$$\mathcal{C} = \{\eta_i(s) = 1, i \leq N - K, s \leq t\}$$

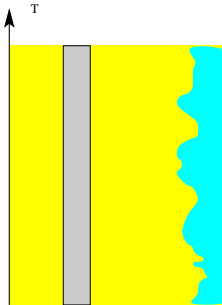


$$\mathbb{E}(\exp(\frac{\lambda}{N}\mathcal{A}_t)) \geq \mathbb{E}(\exp(\frac{\lambda}{N}\mathcal{A}_t)1_{\mathcal{C}})$$

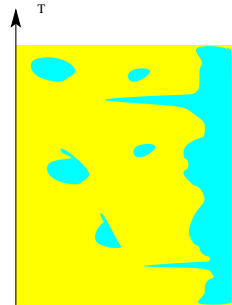
$$\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{t} \log \mathbb{E}(\exp(\frac{\lambda}{N}\mathcal{A}_t)) \geq - \inf_{f \sim \mathcal{C}} \left\{ \mathcal{D}_K(f) \right\} + O(K/N)$$

Surface tension

Existence of a barrier of 1 ?



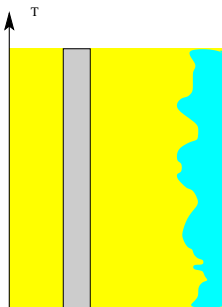
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Coexistence of the two phases



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Active phase

For $\lambda > \lambda_1$ the active phase dominates :

$$\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{t} \log \mathbb{E} \left(\exp \left(\frac{\lambda}{N} \mathcal{A}_t \right) \right) \simeq \sup_f \left\{ \lambda \mu_N \left(f \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N c_i(\eta) \right) - \mathcal{D}_N(f) \right\}$$

If $f \simeq 1$ in the variational principle :

$$\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{t} \log \mathbb{E} \left(\exp \left(\frac{\lambda}{N} \mathcal{A}_t \right) \right) \simeq \lambda \mu_N \left(\frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N c_i(\eta) \right) \simeq \lambda \mathbb{A}$$

Conclusion

- First order phase transition
- Finite size scaling
- Surface cost Σ

Open questions.

- Existence of λ_c
- Description of the interface
- Higher dimensions
- Conservative dynamics