

1 Exercise 1

1.1 a)

A forest of size ℓ occurs when the following pattern occurs:

$$\text{EMPTY} - \underbrace{\text{TREE-TREE} \dots \text{-TREE}}_{\ell\text{-times}} - \text{EMPTY} \quad (1)$$

The probability of a tree on site and of an empty site are:

$$p \text{ and } (1 - p), \quad (2)$$

respectively.

Thus, the probability of landing in an ℓ -sized cluster of trees (or forest) is:

$$n_\ell(p) = (1 - p) * \underbrace{p * p * p * \dots * p}_{\ell\text{-times}} * (1 - p) \quad (3)$$

Or

$$n_\ell(p) = (1 - p)^2 p^\ell \quad (4)$$

1.2 b)

Recall that: $0 \leq p \leq 1$.

Percolation in a $1D$ lattice occurs when all sites have trees. The probability of percolation is thus p^L , where L is the lattice size. In the limit of $L \rightarrow \infty$, then it is seen that:

$$\lim_{L \rightarrow \infty} p^L = \begin{cases} 0, & 0 \leq p < 1 \\ 1, & p = 1 \end{cases} \quad (5)$$

Thus, for an infinitely large lattice in $1D$, percolation only occurs if $p = 1$.

$$\therefore p_c = 1 \quad (6)$$

2 Exercise 2

Via Real Space Renormalization (RSR), each triangular sublattice is replaced by a single site, or supersite. If the majority of the sites in the sublattice is open (closed), then the supersite is open (closed). The probability that a site is closed is given by p and $(1 - p)$, if open. Thus, we need to count how many configurations of triangular sublattices have a majority of closed sites (i.e., 2 or 3 closed) and determine the probability that we will get one of these majority closed sites. Let the majority closed probability be defined as p' . Then, applying the discussed RSR rules to the infinitely large triangular lattice, the majority closed probability is:

$$p' = p^3 + 3p^2(1 - p) \quad (7)$$

Now, setting $p' = p$, the critical probability can be determined:

$$p' = p \quad (8)$$

$$\implies p' - p = 0 \quad (9)$$

$$2p^3 - 3p^2 + p = 0 \quad (10)$$

$$p(p - \frac{1}{2})(p - 1) = 0 \quad (11)$$

$$(12)$$

Thus: $p = 0, 1, \frac{1}{2}$. The first two options are just the trivial solutions discussed in the hint video. Thus, the critical probability for the infinitely large triangular lattice is:

$$p_c = \frac{1}{2} \quad (13)$$

3 Exercise 3

4 Exercise 4

5 Exercise 5