### 2D Discrete Gaussian model at high temperature

- The infinite-volume scaling limit -

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#### Based on the works with Roland Bauerschmidt and Pierre-François Rodriguez

- The Discrete Gaussian model, I. Renormalisation group flow at high temperature, arXiv:2202.02286 (2022)
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► Also called Z-Ferromagnet or Integer-Valued GFF.

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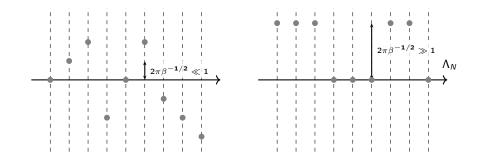
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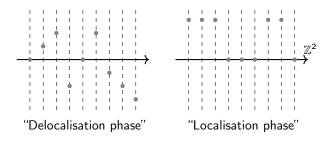
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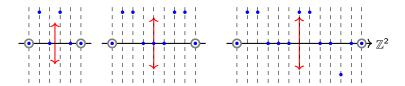
### Kosterlitz-Thouless phase transition

 (2D) XY model, Villain model, Coulomb gas, Sine-Gordon model

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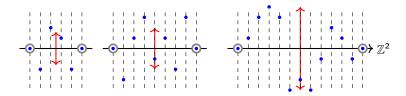
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- + non-existence of transl. inv. Gibbs measure with slope 0 [S'06]
  - ⇒ has to consider gradient Gibbs states

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► [Garban-Sepúlveda(2021)] With 0-Dirichlet boundary, if *f* has bounded support,

$$\mathsf{Var}^{\mathsf{DG}}_{\mathsf{\Lambda}_{\mathsf{N}},\beta}[(f,\sigma)] \leq \left(1 - 2\beta e^{-\frac{\beta}{2} + o(\beta)}\right) \mathsf{Var}^{\mathsf{GFF}}_{\mathsf{\Lambda}_{\mathsf{N}},\beta^{-1}}[(f,\sigma)].$$

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Let  $\beta>0$  fixed large,  $f\in C_c^\infty(\mathbb{R}^2)$  be such that  $\int_{\mathbb{R}^2}f=0$ , and for each  $\epsilon>0$ , let  $f_\epsilon(x)$  be the discretisation of  $\epsilon^{-1}f(\epsilon x)$  on  $\mathbb{Z}^2$ . Then

$$\lim_{\epsilon \to 0} \log \mathbb{E}^{\mathsf{DG}}_{\mathbb{Z}^2,\beta}[e^{(f_\epsilon,\sigma)_{\mathbb{Z}^2}}] = \frac{\beta(1+\mathsf{s}^{\mathsf{DG}}(\beta))^{-1}}{2}(f,(-\Delta_{\mathbb{R}^2})^{-1}f)_{\mathbb{R}^2}$$

where  $\mathbf{s}^{\mathsf{DG}}(\beta) = O(e^{-c\beta}), \ c > 0.$ 

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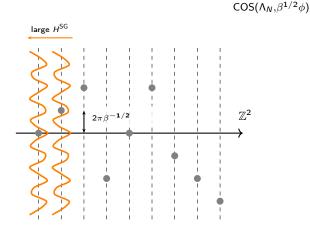
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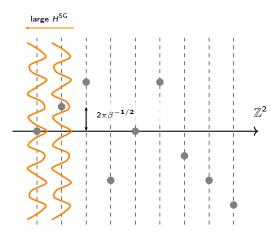
**Defn**:  $\Omega_N^{SG} = \{ \phi \in \mathbb{R}^{\Lambda_N} : \phi(0) = 0 \}$ , 'activity'  $z (\ll 1)$ 

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### A formal correspondence $SG \rightarrow DG$

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$$\left(\sum_{n \in 2\pi\mathbb{Z}/\sqrt{\beta}} \delta_n(\phi) = \frac{1}{2\pi} + \frac{1}{\pi} \sum_{q \ge 1} \cos(q\beta^{1/2}\phi) = \frac{1}{2\pi} e^{z \cos(\beta^{1/2}\phi)} + (\text{higher } q)\right)$$

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- (1) Renormalisation group method on sine-Gordon.
- (2) Why don't "higher q's" matter? Renormalisation group picture, coming back to the Discrete Gaussian model.

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#### Theorem 4

"Scaling limit of (non-general) sine-Gordon is GFF on  $\mathbb{T}^2$ "

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Expecting this :

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(denoted 
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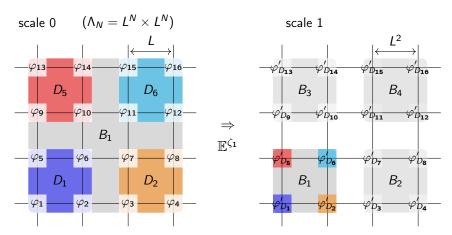
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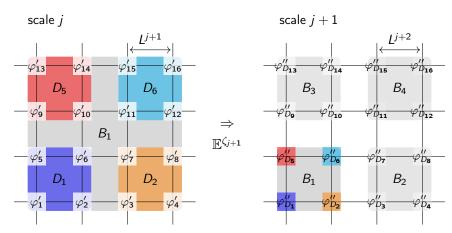
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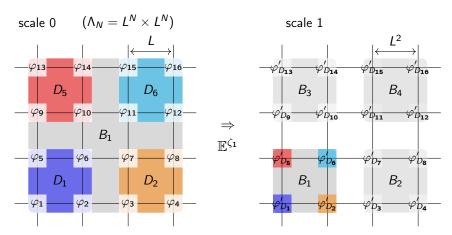
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$$\Gamma_j(0,0) \simeq \frac{1}{2\pi} \log L \quad \Rightarrow \quad \text{(fluctuations are distributed well)}$$



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- (2) Reblocking.

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$$(\text{error}) = \sum_{X \subset \text{scale j block}} e^{-\frac{s_j}{2} (\nabla \varphi, \nabla \varphi)_X^2 - z_j \operatorname{COS}_j(X, (\beta')^{1/2} \varphi)} \quad \overbrace{K_j(X, \varphi)}^{\text{polymer activities}}$$

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▶ If  $\beta' > 8\pi$ ,  $\exists s_0$  such that

$$(s_j, z_j, K_j) \xrightarrow[j \to \infty]{} (0, 0, 0) \quad \Leftrightarrow \quad \mathbb{E}^{\varphi}[Z_0(\varphi + g)] \sim C_N^{|\Lambda_N|}$$

Since 
$$s_0 = \frac{\mathbf{s}^{SG}}{1+\mathbf{s}^{SG}}$$
,

$$\mathbf{s}^{\mathsf{SG}} = \frac{s_0}{1 - s_0}.$$

# Theorem 4 (scaling limit of sine-Gordon)

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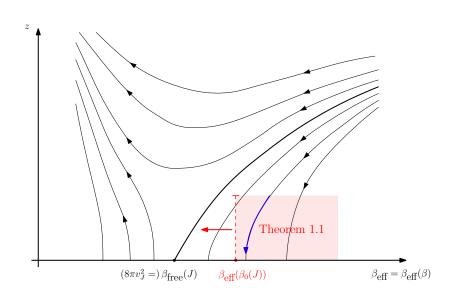
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# Theorem [Falco, 2012]

Using second order analysis,

$$s_{j+1} = s_j - a_j z_j^2 + e_j^1, \quad z_{j+1} \simeq L^2 L^{-\frac{\beta'}{4\pi}} (z_j - b_j s_j z_j + e_j^2),$$

i.e., satisfies the Kosterlitz-Thouless flow equation.



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#### The lattice sine-Gordon model

$$Z_{N,eta}^{ extsf{DG}} \propto$$
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## Critical phenomena

1. GFF as a scaling limit : when  $\beta = \beta_c$ ,

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: within reach for spread-out interaction models.

- 2. The behaviour of  $\mathbf{s}^{DG}$  as  $\beta \downarrow \beta_c$ .
- 3. Decay of the correlation function when  $\beta \uparrow \beta_c$ .

# Open questions

#### Observables

- 1. Two-point function.
- 2. Convergence of discrete observables to an SLE.

#### Related models

- 1. Villain model
  - Two-point observables translate into line observables.
  - Non-trivial co-homology of torus is an obstacle.
- 2. Non-quadratic potentials (SOS model, dual of XY model) :

$$\mathbb{P}_{\Lambda_N,\beta}(\sigma) \propto e^{-\beta^{-1} \sum_{x \sim y} V(\sigma_x - \sigma_y)}.$$

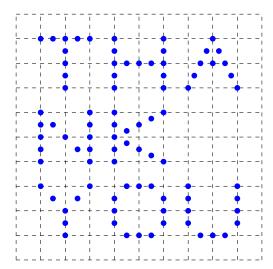


Figure 1: Lattice Thank You