

Causal Set Research Notes

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1 Patch Volume

1.1 1+1 Dimensions

$$\begin{aligned} dV &= (a \sec \eta)^{d+1} d\eta d\Phi_d \\ &= a^2 \sec^2 \eta d\eta d\theta \end{aligned} \tag{1}$$

$$\begin{aligned} V &= a^2 \int_0^{\eta_0} d\eta \int_0^{2\pi} d\theta \sec^2 \eta \\ &= 2\pi a^2 \int_0^{\eta_0} \sec^2 \eta d\eta \\ &= 2\pi a^2 \tan \eta_0 \end{aligned} \tag{2}$$

$$\begin{aligned} N &= \delta V \\ \therefore N_{1+1} &= 2\pi \delta a^2 \tan \eta_0 \end{aligned} \tag{3}$$

1.2 3+1 Dimensions

$$dV = a^4 \sec^4 \eta d\eta \sin^2 \phi \sin \chi d\phi d\chi d\theta \tag{4}$$

$$\begin{aligned} V &= a^4 \int_0^{\eta_0} d\eta \int_0^{2\pi} d\theta \int_0^\pi d\chi \int_0^\pi d\phi \sec^4 \eta \sin^2 \phi \sin \chi \\ &= 2\pi a^4 \int_0^{\eta_0} d\eta \int_0^\pi d\chi \int_0^\pi d\phi \sec^4 \eta \sin^2 \phi \sin \chi \\ &= 4\pi a^4 \int_0^{\eta_0} d\eta \int_0^\pi d\phi \sec^4 \eta \sin^2 \phi \\ &= 2\pi^2 a^4 \int_0^{\eta_0} \sec^4 \eta d\eta \\ &= \frac{2}{3} \pi^2 a^4 (2 + \sec^2 \eta_0) \tan \eta_0 \end{aligned} \tag{5}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
N &= \delta V \\
\therefore N_{3+1} &= \frac{2}{3} \pi^2 \delta a^4 (2 + \sec^2 \eta_0) \tan \eta_0
\end{aligned} \tag{6}$$

2 Expected Average Degrees

2.1 1+1 Dimensions

$$\rho = \frac{\sec^2 \eta}{\tan \eta_0} \tag{7}$$

$$V_p = \ln \sec \eta \tag{8}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
\langle V_p \rangle &= \int_0^{\eta_0} \frac{\sec^2 \eta}{\tan \eta_0} \ln \sec \eta \, d\eta \\
&= \frac{1}{\tan \eta_0} [\eta + \tan \eta (\ln \sec \eta - 1)]_0^{\eta_0} \\
&= \frac{1}{\tan \eta_0} [\eta_0 + \tan \eta_0 (\ln \sec \eta_0 - 1)] \\
&= \frac{\eta_0}{\tan \eta_0} + \ln \sec \eta_0 - 1
\end{aligned} \tag{9}$$

$$V_f = (\eta_0 - \eta) \tan \eta_0 + \ln \left(\frac{\sec \eta}{\sec \eta_0} \right) \tag{10}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
\langle V_f \rangle &= \int_0^{\eta_0} \frac{\sec^2 \eta}{\tan \eta_0} \left[(\eta_0 - \eta) \tan \eta_0 + \ln \left(\frac{\sec \eta}{\sec \eta_0} \right) \right] d\eta \\
&= \frac{1}{\tan \eta_0} \left[\eta_0 \tan \eta_0 \int_0^{\eta_0} \sec^2 \eta \, d\eta - \tan \eta_0 \int_0^{\eta_0} \eta \sec^2 \eta \, d\eta \right. \\
&\quad \left. + \int_0^{\eta_0} \sec^2 \eta \ln \sec \eta \, d\eta - \ln \sec \eta_0 \int_0^{\eta_0} \sec^2 \eta \, d\eta \right] \\
&= \frac{1}{\tan \eta_0} [\eta_0 \tan^2 \eta_0 - \eta_0 \tan^2 \eta_0 + \tan \eta_0 \ln \sec \eta_0 \\
&\quad + \eta_0 + \tan \eta_0 (\ln \sec \eta_0 - 1) - \tan \eta_0 \ln \sec \eta_0] \\
&= \frac{\eta_0}{\tan \eta_0} + \ln \sec \eta_0 - 1
\end{aligned} \tag{11}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
\therefore \langle V_p \rangle &= \langle V_f \rangle \\
\therefore \langle \bar{k} \rangle &= 2a^2 \delta (\langle V_p \rangle + \langle V_f \rangle) \\
&= 4\delta a^2 \left(\frac{\eta_0}{\tan \eta_0} + \ln \sec \eta_0 - 1 \right)
\end{aligned} \tag{12}$$

2.2 3+1 Dimensions

$$\rho = \frac{3 \sec^4 \eta}{(2 + \sec^2 \eta_0) \tan \eta_0} \quad (13)$$

$$\begin{aligned}
V_p(\eta) &= \int_0^\eta d\eta' \int_0^{\eta-\eta'} 2d\theta \int_0^\pi d\phi \int_0^\pi d\chi a^4 \sec^4 \eta' \sin^2 \phi \sin \chi \\
&\quad \int_0^\pi \sin \chi d\chi = 2 \\
&\quad \int_0^\pi \sin^2 \phi d\phi = \frac{\pi}{2} \\
&\quad \int_0^{\eta-\eta'} 2d\theta = 2(\eta - \eta') \\
&= 2\pi a^4 \int_0^\eta (\eta - \eta') \sec^4 \eta' d\eta' \\
&\quad \int_0^\eta \sec^4 \eta' d\eta' = \frac{1}{3} \tan \eta (2 + \sec^2 \eta) \\
&\quad \int_0^\eta \eta' \sec^4 \eta' d\eta' = \frac{1}{3} \left(-2 \ln \sec \eta - \frac{1}{2} \sec^2 \eta + 2\eta \tan \eta + \eta \sec^2 \eta \tan \eta + \frac{1}{2} \right) \\
&= 2\pi a^4 \left(\frac{2}{3} \eta \tan \eta + \frac{1}{3} \eta \sec^2 \eta + \frac{2}{3} \ln \sec \eta + \frac{1}{6} \sec^2 \eta - \frac{2}{3} \eta \tan \eta - \frac{1}{3} \eta \sec^2 \eta \tan \eta - \frac{1}{6} \right) \\
&= 2\pi a^4 \left(\frac{1}{3} \eta \sec^2 \eta + \frac{2}{3} \ln \sec \eta + \frac{1}{6} \sec^2 \eta - \frac{1}{3} \eta \sec^2 \eta \tan \eta - \frac{1}{6} \right) \\
&= \frac{2}{3} \pi a^4 \left(\eta \sec^2 \eta + 2 \ln \sec \eta + \frac{1}{2} \sec^2 \eta - \eta \sec^2 \eta \tan \eta - \frac{1}{2} \right)
\end{aligned} \quad (14)$$