

# The Z-invariant Ising model on isoradial graphs

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# The Ising model

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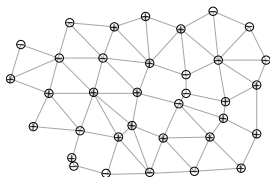
# The Ising model

- (planar) graph  $G$
- spin configurations:  $\sigma : G \rightarrow \pm 1$
- parameters: coupling constants  $(J_e)_{e \in E(G)} > 0$
- Energy of a configuration:

$$\mathcal{H}(\sigma) = - \sum_{e=xy} J_e \sigma_x \sigma_y$$

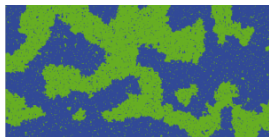
- Probability of a configuration:

$$\mathbb{P}(\sigma) = \frac{1}{Z(G, (J_e))} \times \exp(-\mathcal{H}(\sigma))$$

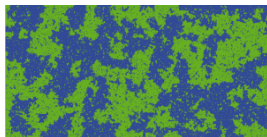


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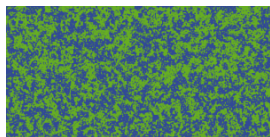
- A single parameter to study possible phase transitions:  
 $\beta \mapsto J(e, \beta)$  increasing
- On a regular graph:  $J(e, \beta) = \beta J$  ( $\beta = 1/T$ )



$\beta > \beta_c$  (low T)



$\beta = \beta_c$



$\beta < \beta_c$  (high T)

# The Ising model via dimers

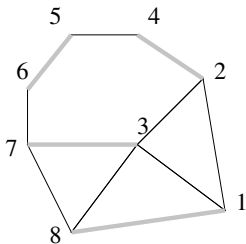
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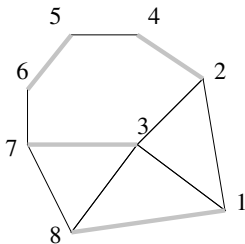


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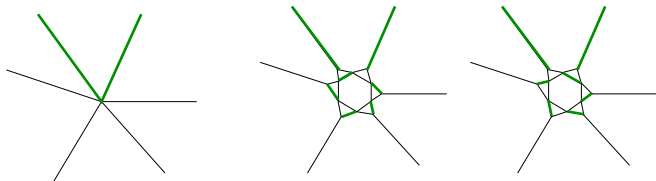


**Fisher**: another explicit correspondence with dimers on a decorated graph



# Fisher's bijection

Ising spins  $\leftrightarrow$  contours (separating spins)  $\leftrightarrow$  dimers



This version (Dubédat) is not a bijection: 2 choices for each decoration of a vertex

# Kasteleyn's theory of dimer models

Let  $\mathcal{G}$  a finite planar graph.

- weights  $(\nu_e)$  on edges of  $\mathcal{G}$
- probability of a dimer conf.  $\mathcal{C} \propto \prod_{e \in \mathcal{C}} \nu_e$

## Theorem (Kasteleyn)

Let  $K$  be the weighted oriented adjacency matrix of  $G$  for an admissible orientation. Then:

- The *partition function*  $Z_{\text{dimers}} := \sum_{\mathcal{C}} \prod_{e \in \mathcal{C}} \nu_e$  is  $\pm \text{Pfaff } K$ ,
- The *probability* that  $e_1 = (v_{i_1}, v_{i_2}), \dots, e_k = (v_{i_{2k-1}}, v_{i_{2k}})$  occur in a random dimer configuration is

$$\left( \prod_j K(v_{i_{2j-1}}, v_{i_{2j}}) \right) \text{Pfaff}_{1 \leq p, q \leq 2k} K^{-1}(v_{i_p}, v_{i_q})^T$$

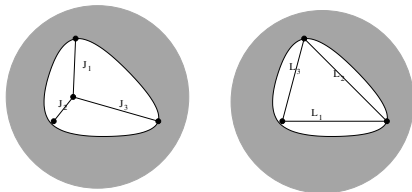
*Pfaffian process*

## Z-invariance

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# Star-triangle transformation

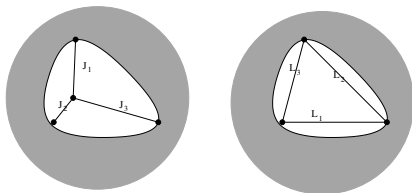
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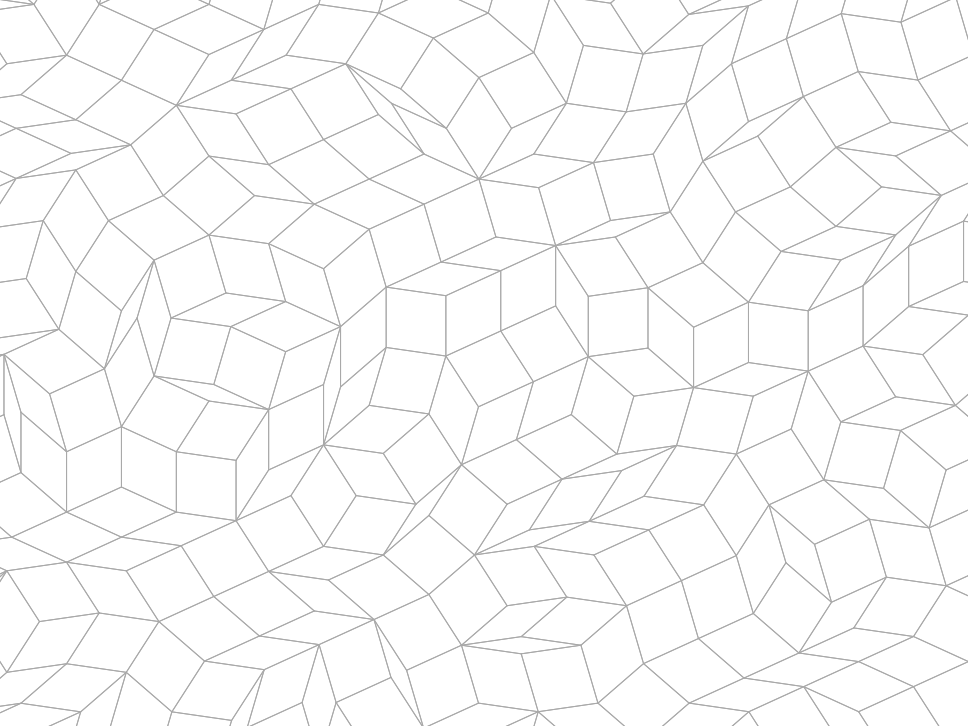
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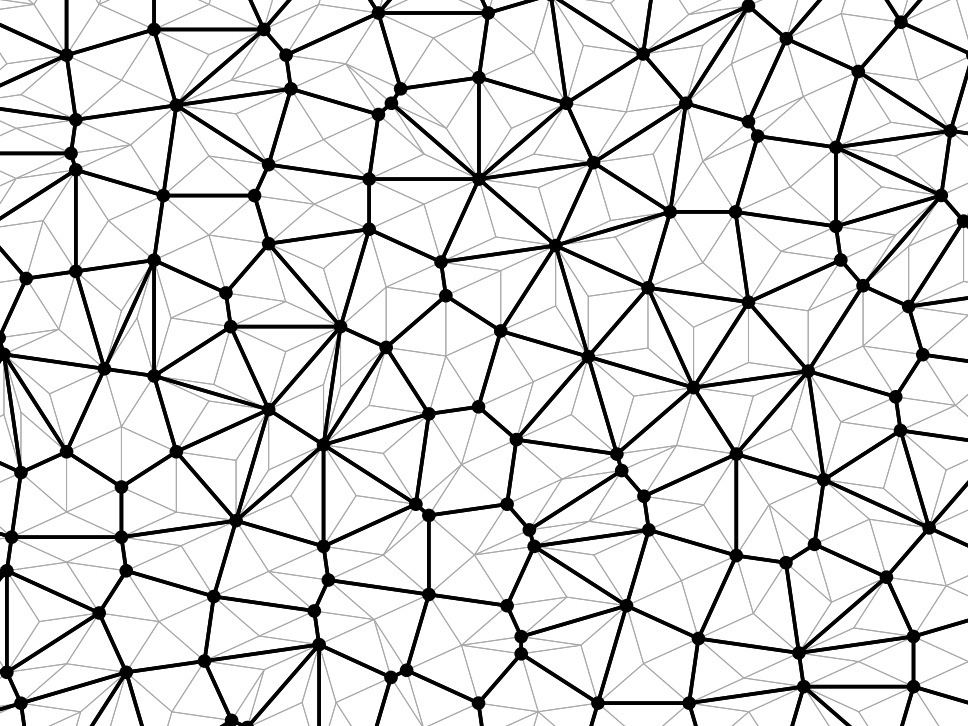
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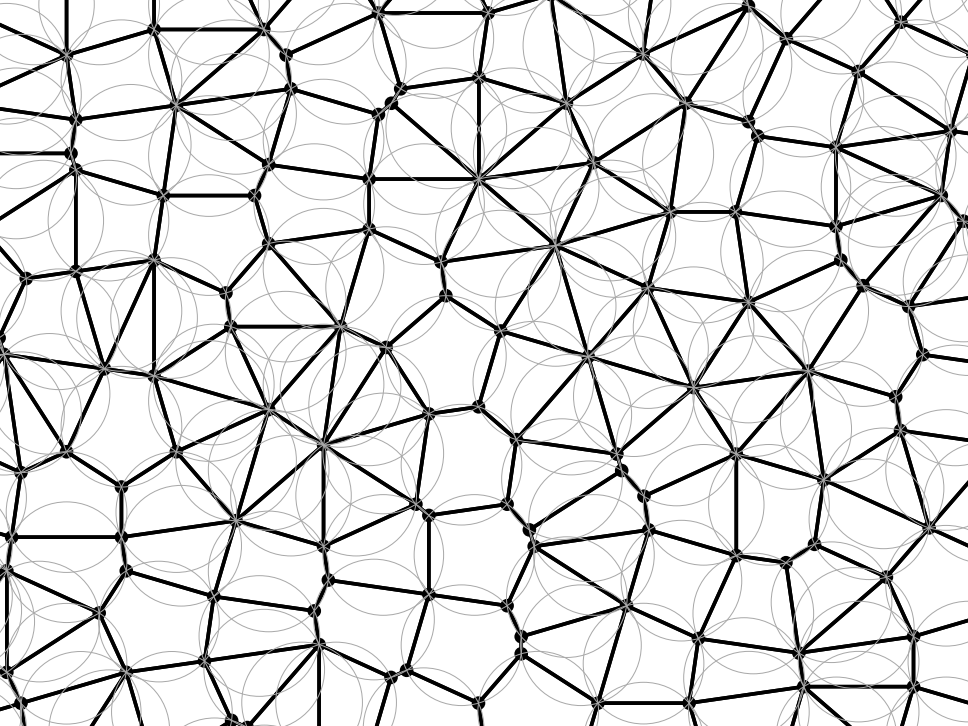


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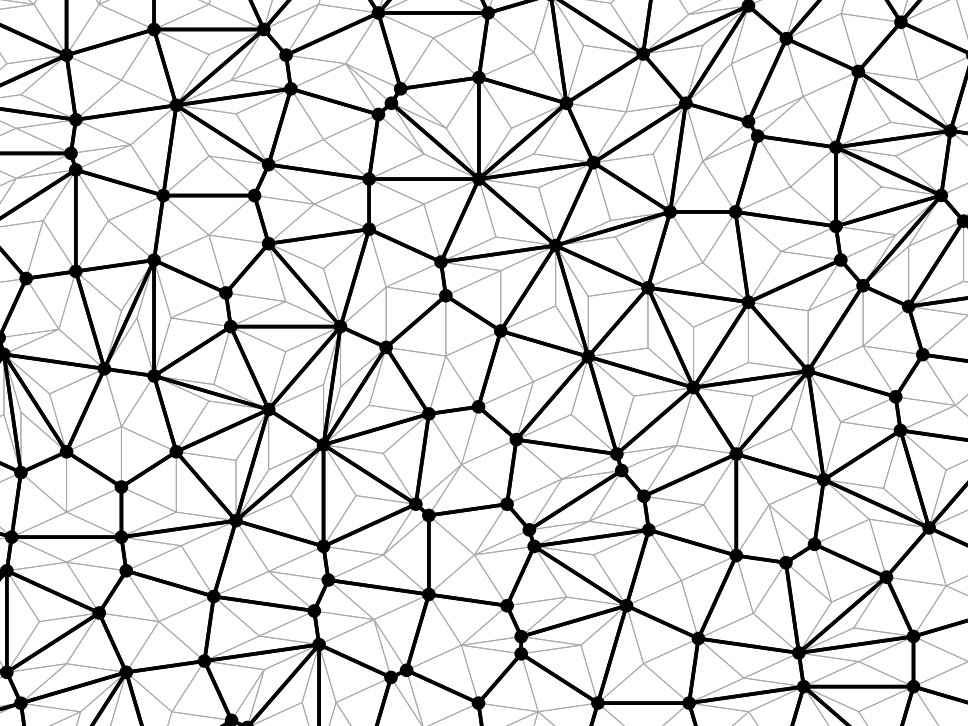
$\sigma_1\sigma_2\sigma_3$	$G$	$G'$
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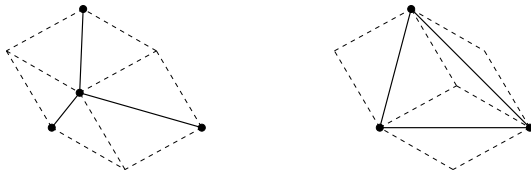




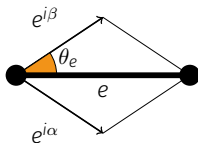


# Isoradial graphs

- quad graph : projection of a surface in  $\mathbb{Z}^d$
- star-triangle transformation: natural flip operation



- Each edge  $e$  has a natural parameter  $\theta_e = \frac{\beta - \alpha}{2}$



## Parametrization of coupling constants with angles

If we require that for isoradial graphs:

- for any edge  $e$ ,  $J(e) = J(\theta_e)$
- invariance under star-triangle transformations

1-parameter family of coupling constants:

$$\sinh(2J(\theta|k)) = \operatorname{sc}\left(\theta \frac{2K(k)}{\pi} |k\right) = \frac{\operatorname{sn}\left(\theta \frac{2K(k)}{\pi} |k\right)}{\operatorname{cn}\left(\theta \frac{2K(k)}{\pi} |k\right)} \quad [\text{Baxter}]$$

The Ising model is then said to be **Z-invariant**

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$k$ : elliptic modulus  $k' = \sqrt{1 - k^2} \in (0, \infty) \leftrightarrow$  temperature

$K(k) = \int_0^{\pi/2} \frac{dt}{\sqrt{1 - k^2 \cos^2(t)}}$  elliptic integral of 1st kind

$\operatorname{sn}(\cdot|k)$ ,  $\operatorname{cn}(\cdot|k)$ ,  $\operatorname{sc}(\cdot|k)$  Jacobi elliptic functions:  
generalization of  $\sin$ ,  $\cos$ ,  $\tan$  respectively.

Bonus: Kramers-Wannier duality built-in

$$\sinh(2J(\theta|k)) \times \sinh\left(2J\left(\frac{\pi}{2} - \theta|k^*\right)\right) = 1 \quad \text{with } k' \times (k^*)' = 1$$

## Critical Z-invariant Ising model ( $k = 0$ )

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- Elliptic functions  $\curvearrowright$  trigonometric:  $\sinh(2J(\theta|0)) = \tan(\theta)$
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**Question:** does locality still holds out of criticality?

Z-invariant Ising model out of  
criticality

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# Inverse Kasteleyn operator

Consider the dimer model on the Fisher graph  $\mathcal{G}$  coming from a  $Z$ -invariant Ising model on an isoradial graph  $G$ :

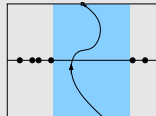
$$\nu_e = \begin{cases} \frac{\operatorname{sn}(\frac{2K\theta}{\pi}|k)}{1+\operatorname{cn}(\frac{2K\theta}{\pi}|k)} & \text{if } e \text{ is an edge coming from } G \\ 1 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

Let  $K$  the corresponding (infinite) Kasteleyn matrix on  $\mathcal{G}$

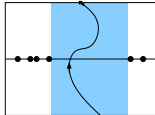
## Theorem (B.-de Tilière – Raschel)

- For  $k \neq 0$ , the Kasteleyn operator on the Fisher graph has a unique inverse with bounded coefficients  $K_{x,y}^{-1}$ .
- These coefficients have a local expression

$$K_{x,y}^{-1} = \frac{k'}{8\pi} \int_{\Gamma_{x,y}} f_x(u+2K)f_y(u) \operatorname{Exp}_{x,y}(u|k) du$$

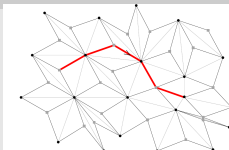


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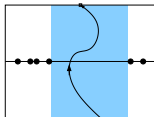
$$\text{Exp}_{x,y}(u|k) = \prod_j i\sqrt{k'} \text{sc}\left(\frac{u - \alpha_j}{2} | k\right), u \in T_k$$



Definition (function  $f$ )

- If  $x$  internal to a decoration  $f_x(u) = \pm \text{cn}\left(\frac{u-\alpha}{2} | k\right)^{-1}$ , where  $e^{i\alpha}$  edge of the quad-graph
- If  $x$  connected to an edge of  $G$ ,  $f_x$  is the sum of two such terms

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- This expression is local:  $K_{x,y}^{-1}$  depends on the geometry of the graph only along a path from  $x$  to  $y$
- It can be used to define a **Gibbs measure** on dimer configurations of the Fisher graph, and thus on Ising contours (without assumption on periodicity of the graph)
- Dimer statistics are **local**

## On periodic isoradial graphs: spectral curve

- If  $G$  is periodic, the Kasteleyn operator  $K$  is also periodic
- $K(z, w)$  Fourier transform of  $K$ : matrix with rows/columns indexed by vertices in a fund. domain with extra  $z^{\pm 1}$  or  $w^{\pm 1}$  weight for edges crossing its boundary
- $P(z, w) = \det K(z, w)$  **characteristic polynomial**
- Fourier formula for  $K^{-1}$ :

$$K_{x,y+(m,n)}^{-1} = \iint_{|z|=|w|=1} z^{-m} w^{-n} \frac{Q_{x,y}(z, w)}{P(z, w)} \frac{dz}{2i\pi z} \frac{dw}{2i\pi w}$$

where  $Q_{x,y}$  cofactor of  $K(z, w)$ .

Asymptotics depends on the zeros of  $P$ .

$C = \{(z, w) : P(z, w) = 0\}$  is called the **spectral curve**

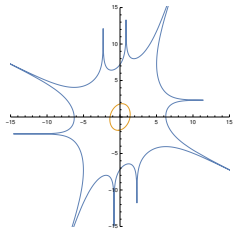
## Theorem (B-de Tilière–Raschel)

*spectral curve of a  $Z$ -invariant  
Ising model on isoradial graph*



*Harnack curve of genus 1 with symmetry*

$$(z, w) \leftrightarrow \left(\frac{1}{z}, \frac{1}{w}\right)$$



- Parametrization:  $u \mapsto (\mathbf{Exp}_{x, x+(1,0)}(u|k), \mathbf{Exp}_{x, x+(0,1)}(u|k))$
- Area of the hole as a function of  $k$  and the local geom. of  $G$
- Same curve for the Ising model with param.  $k$  and  $k^*$

## On periodic isoradial graphs: free energy

free energy  $F_{\text{Ising}}$ : normalized log of the partition function

### Theorem

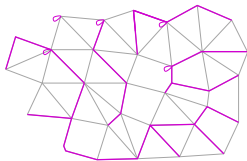
$$F_{\text{Ising}}(k) = -\frac{\log 2}{2}|V_1| - |V_1| \int_0^k 2H'(\theta) \log \text{sc}(\theta) d\theta + \sum_{e \in E_1} \left( -H(2\theta) \log \text{sc}(\theta) + \int_0^{\theta_e} 2H'(\theta) \log \text{sc}(\theta) d\theta \right).$$

As  $k$  goes to 0,

$$F_{\text{Ising}}(k) = F_{\text{Ising}}(0) - \frac{|V_1|}{2} k^2 \log k^{-1} + O(k^2)$$

## Z-invariant Ising model and rooted spanning forests

- This free energy is half the free energy of rooted spanning forests, “counted” by the determinant of a massive Laplacian on isoradial graphs, with conductances  $sc(2K\theta/\pi|k)$  we introduced.



- Same phase transition in Ising as from spanning forests to spanning trees
- Massive exponential functions: harmonic for this massive Laplacian (elliptic generalisation of Mercat’s harmonic exponential functions)

# Phase transition in the Ising model