# Anisotropy in finite continuum percolation: threshold estimation by Minkowski functionals

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#### **Percolation: Geometric phase transition**



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Topology Geometry

Universal behavior Simultaneous percolation in all directions Non-universal properties Approximate threshold using Minkowski functionals

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#### A grain with random orientation $\mathcal{P}(\theta) \propto \cos^{\alpha} \theta$ is assigned to each point

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#### The union of all grains forms Boolean model

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#### Anisotropy parameters: orientation bias $\mathcal{P}(\theta) \propto \cos^{\alpha} \theta$

 $\alpha = \mathbf{0}$ 

 $\alpha = 3$ 

 $\alpha = \infty$ 



#### **Anisotropy parameters: aspect ratio** *b*/*a*

*b*/*a* = 1

![](_page_9_Picture_2.jpeg)

$$b/a = 1/2$$

b/a = 1/4

![](_page_9_Picture_6.jpeg)

#### **Continuum percolation**

![](_page_10_Picture_1.jpeg)

#### Clusters of connected components, that is, intersecting grains

# Effective percolation in finite systems

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In infinite system: simultaneous percolation in *x*- and *y*-direction Isotropic percolation threshold:  $\phi_c^x \equiv \phi_c^y$ 

see also Balberg, Binenbaum, Phys. Rev. B (1983)

# Threshold value depends on anisotropy of the system

Percolation probability depends on the grain distribution

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# Euler characteristic $\chi$

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- Topological invariant
- For compact sets:
  - $\chi$  = # connected components # holes
- Density in the limit of infinite system size |O|:  $\overline{\chi} := \lim_{|O| \to \infty} \frac{\mathbb{E}[\chi]}{|O|}$
- $\overline{\chi} > 0$ : predominant role of single clusters  $\overline{\chi} < 0$ : network-like structure
- Density of the Euler characteristic as a function of the intensity  $\gamma$  changes its sign.
- Mecke, Wagner (1991) suggested the zero of the Euler characteristic as an approximation of the percolation threshold.

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Hörrmann, Hug, K., Mecke, Adv. in Appl. Math. (2014) Weil, Math. Z. (1990)

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# Zero of density of Euler characteristic

Explicit function of intensity  $\gamma$  or occupied area fraction  $\phi$  (Weil 1990):

$$\overline{\chi}(\gamma) = \gamma \left( 1 - \frac{\gamma}{2} \langle V_{1,1}^0 \rangle \right) \exp(-\gamma A),$$

where  $\langle V_{1,1}^0 \rangle$  is the average of the mixed intrinsic volume of two grains and *A* the expected area of the typical grain.

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#### **Qualitative behavior captured by Euler characteristic**

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Using the critical intensity of a Boolean model with squares allows for precise estimates for similar grain shapes.

#### **Asymptotic variances and convariances**

Minkowski functionals:

 $W_0 \propto$  Area $W_1 \propto$  Perimeter $W_2 \propto$  Euler characterisic

Covariances of Minkowski functionals  $W_{\mu}$  rescaled by system size |O|:

$$\sigma_{W_{\mu}W_{\nu}} \coloneqq \lim_{|O| \to \infty} \frac{\operatorname{Cov}(W_{\mu}, W_{\nu})}{|O|}$$

Explicit integral formulas for volume, surface area, and planar systems

Hug, Last, Schulte, Ann. Appl. Probab. (2016) Hug, K., Last, Schulte, arXiv:1601.06718

#### Asymptotic variances: threshold approximations?

$$\sigma_{W_{\mu}W_{\mu}} := \lim_{|\mathcal{O}| \to \infty} \frac{\operatorname{Var}(W_{\mu})}{|\mathcal{O}|}$$

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#### Threshold from Li, Östling Phys. Rev. E (2013)

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## **Anisotropy and threshold estimation**

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# **Morphology and Transport**

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#### **Orientation distribution**

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