

# Disagreement percolation for marked Gibbs point processes

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# Topic

## Result

Sufficient condition for uniqueness of the Gibbs state of a Gibbs specification of a marked point process in the high temperature regime.

Using **percolation**, **coupling** and **dependent thinnings**.

# Notation

We consider  $\mathbb{R}^+$ -marked configurations  $\omega$  on  $\mathbb{R}^d$ . Marked points are  $X := (x, r)$ . The ball of radius  $r$  around  $x$  is  $S(x, r)$  or  $S(X)$ .

Let  $\Delta$  be a Borel set of  $\mathbb{R}^d \times \mathbb{R}^+$  with bounded support in  $\mathbb{R}^d$  and  $\Omega_\Delta$  be the locally finite marked configurations in  $\Delta$ .

The Lebesgue measure  $\mathcal{L}^d$  on  $\mathbb{R}^d$ .

# Percolation

Let  $\mathcal{P}_{\alpha, \mathcal{Q}}^{\text{poi}}$  be the homogeneous marked Poisson PP with intensity  $\alpha$  and radius (mark) measure  $\mathcal{Q}$ .

**Gilbert graph**  $G(\omega)$  on  $\omega$ :  $(x, r) \sim (y, r')$ , if  $S(x, r) \cap S(y, r') \neq \emptyset$ .

The **Boolean model**  $\mathcal{P}_{\alpha, \mathcal{Q}}^{\text{poi}}$  percolates, iff

$$\mathcal{P}_{\alpha, \mathcal{Q}}^{\text{poi}}(G(\xi) \text{ contains infinite connected component}) = 1.$$

**Percolation threshold** at  $\alpha(\mathcal{Q}, d) \in [0, \infty]$ .

## Gibbs point process

For **activity**  $\lambda \in \mathbb{R}^+$ , radius measure  $\mathcal{Q}$ , domain  $\Delta$  and boundary condition  $\tilde{\omega} \in \Omega_{\Delta^c}$ :

$$\mathcal{P}_{\Delta, \tilde{\omega}, \lambda, \mathcal{Q}}^{\text{gibbs}}(d\omega) := \frac{\lambda^{|\omega|} \exp(-H_{\Delta}(\omega|\tilde{\omega})) (\mathcal{L}^d \otimes \mathcal{Q})^{|\omega|}(d\omega)}{Z(\Delta, \lambda, \mathcal{Q}, \tilde{\omega})},$$

with the **partition function**  $Z(\Delta, \lambda, \mathcal{Q}, \tilde{\omega})$ . Fulfils DLR, assume existence of Gibbs states.

# Stochastic domination

$\mathcal{P}^1$  stochastically dominates  $\mathcal{P}^2$ , iff there exists a coupling  $\mathcal{P}$  of them with  $\mathcal{P}(\xi^1 \geq \xi^2)$ . “More and bigger points.”

Sufficient condition for stochastic domination: Papangelou intensity  $\rho^1(X, \omega) \geq \rho^2(X, \omega)$ . [Preston 76](#), [Georgii & Küneth 97](#)

# Necessary properties

## Locality

The interaction occurs within connected components of the Gilbert graph.  $H(\omega|\tilde{\omega})$  depends only on the connected components of  $G(\omega \cup \tilde{\omega})$  intersecting  $\omega$ .

## Boundedness

The Papangelou intensity is uniformly bounded

$$\lambda \exp(-H(X|\tilde{\omega})) \leq \alpha.$$

## Models

Finite range repulsive interaction, continuum random cluster, Widom-Rowlinson, quermass-interaction.

## Disagreement coupling

### Coupling of 3 point processes (van den Berg & Maes 94)

Suppose that, for all  $\Delta \subseteq S$  with  $\text{supp}\Delta \in \mathbb{R}^d$ ,  $\tilde{\omega}_1, \tilde{\omega}_2 \in \Omega_{\Delta^c}$ , there exists  $\mathcal{P} := \mathcal{P}_{\Delta, \tilde{\omega}_1, \tilde{\omega}_2}$  with

$$i \in \{1, 2\} : \mathcal{P}(\xi^i = d\omega) = \mathcal{P}_{\Delta, \tilde{\omega}_i, \lambda, \mathcal{Q}}^{\text{gibbs}}(d\omega)$$

$$\mathcal{P}(\xi^3 = d\omega) = \mathcal{P}_{\Delta, \alpha, \mathcal{Q}}^{\text{poi}}(d\omega)$$

$$\mathcal{P}(\xi^1 \Delta \xi^2 \leq \xi^3) = 1$$

$$\mathcal{P}(\forall X \in \xi^1 \Delta \xi^2 : X \xleftrightarrow{\text{in } G(\xi^3)} \tilde{\omega}_1 \Delta \tilde{\omega}_2).$$



# Disagreement percolation

## Theorem

*If  $\mathcal{P}_{\alpha, \mathcal{Q}}^{\text{poi}}$  does not percolate ( $\alpha < \alpha(\mathcal{Q}, d)$ ), then there is a unique Gibbs state.*

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*If the connection function of  $\mathcal{P}_{\alpha, \mathcal{Q}}^{\text{poi}}$  decays exponentially, then the pair correlation of the Gibbs states decays exponentially, too.*

## Dependent thinning

Couple  $\mathcal{P}_{\Delta, \tilde{\omega}, \lambda, \mathcal{Q}}^{\text{gibbs}}$  and  $\mathcal{P}_{\Delta, \alpha, \mathcal{Q}}^{\text{poi}}$  by a dependent thinning. Explore  $\omega$  drawn from  $\mathcal{P}_{\Delta, \alpha, \mathcal{Q}}^{\text{poi}}$  in (measurable total) order. At  $X \in \omega$ : having chosen  $\gamma \subseteq \omega \cap ]-\infty, X[$ , choose  $X$  with probability

$$\begin{aligned} p_{\Delta}(X|\gamma, \tilde{\omega}) &:= \frac{1}{\alpha} \frac{\partial}{\partial X} \log Z([X, \infty[, \lambda, \mathcal{Q}, \gamma \cup \tilde{\omega}) \\ &= \underbrace{\frac{\lambda \exp(-H(X|\gamma \cup \tilde{\omega}))}{\alpha}}_{\leq 1} \underbrace{\frac{Z(]X, \infty[, \lambda, \mathcal{Q}, \gamma \cup \tilde{\omega} \cup X)}{Z([X, \infty[, \lambda, \mathcal{Q}, \gamma \cup \tilde{\omega})}}_{\leq 1}. \end{aligned}$$

Reduces to Papangelou intensity in extreme case.

# Summary & outlook

Comparison with other uniqueness criteria Cluster expansion Ruelle 69, Hofer-Temmel 15-17+ Dobrushin uniqueness Klein 82

## Models

Applications Uniqueness, Poincare inequality for dynamics Chazottes & Redig & Völlering 11.

## Generalisations

- Replace  $\mathbb{R}^+$  marks by  $\mathbb{R}^k$  (easy) or compact bodies (difficult?).
- Stochastic domination also in  $\mathcal{Q}$ , i.e.,  $\mathcal{Q} \preceq \mathcal{Q}'$ . Finer constraint than uniformly bounded Papangelou intensity.
- Factorisation of joint thinning probability over connected components of  $G(\omega \cup \tilde{\omega})$ .

# Bibliography

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