

Exercise 4.5.

Prove the Harris inequality for decreasing events.

Prove that $P(A \cap B) \leq P(A)P(B)$ whenever A is increasing and B decreasing.

Exercise 4.6 (Square-root trick).

Let A_1, \dots, A_n denote increasing events.

Prove that

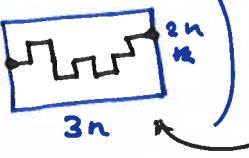
$$\max_k P(A_k) \geq 1 - \sqrt[2^n]{1 - P(A_1 \cup \dots \cup A_n)}$$

In particular, if $P(A_1) = P(A_2) = \dots = P(A_n)$, then this gives a lower bound on all these probabilities.

Note that if $P(A_1 \cup \dots \cup A_n) \approx 1$, then this means that $\max_k P(A_k) \approx 1$.

Exercise 4.7. Consider dimension $d=2$. Fix p .

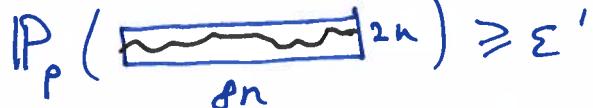
Let $a_n := P_p \left(\text{Diagram} \right)$



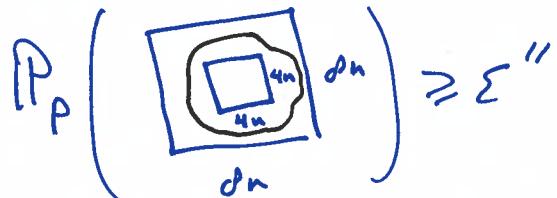
the $3n \times 2n$ rectangle has an open horizontal crossing.

Suppose that $a_n \geq \varepsilon > 0 \quad \forall n$, where ε is constant.

(i) Show that $\exists \varepsilon' > 0$ such that

$$P_p \left(\text{Diagram} \right) \geq \varepsilon' \quad \forall n.$$


(ii) Show that $\exists \varepsilon'' > 0$ such that

$$P_p \left(\text{Diagram} \right) \geq \varepsilon'' \quad \forall n$$


(iii) Show that, almost surely, each face is surrounded by infinitely many open circuits.

(iv) What can we say about the occurrence of an infinite cluster?

Definition 4.8 (disjoint occurrence).

Let A be an event, and $\omega \in \Omega$.

We say that $I \subseteq \mathbb{E}$ allows verification of A for ω , if $\{\omega' \in \Omega : \omega'|_I = \omega|_I\} \subseteq A$. For example:

$$A = \left\{ \boxed{\text{wavy line}} \right\}, \quad \omega = \boxed{\text{wavy line}}, \quad I = \boxed{\text{shaded}} \text{ or } \boxed{\text{diagonal lines}}$$

We say that A and B occur disjointly for ω , if $\exists I_A, I_B \subseteq \mathbb{E}$ disjoint such that

I_A allows verification of A for ω ,

I_B " " " " B " "

Write

$$A \circ B := \{\omega \in \Omega : A \text{ and } B \text{ occur disjointly}\}.$$

For example: $A = \{\boxed{\text{wavy line}}\}$, $B = \{\boxed{\text{zigzag}}\}$

$$\omega = \boxed{\text{wavy zigzag}} \in A \circ B$$

$$\omega' = \boxed{\text{wavy zigzag}} \notin A \circ B \text{ use same edges!}$$