# From the Ising model star-triangle move to a bicolor loop model 

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(1) The cube recurrence and groves
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## Star-triangle move in resistor networks [Kennelly 1899]



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## The cube recurrence



Laurent polynomial in the initial conditions.

## Question (Propp, 2001)

Is the solution of the cube recurrence a partition function of some model?

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\begin{aligned}
w(\mathbf{g}) & =\prod_{i} f_{i} \operatorname{deg}_{\mathbf{g}}(i)-2 \\
\mathcal{Z} & =\sum_{\mathbf{g}} w(\mathbf{g}) .
\end{aligned}
$$



## Solution of the cube recurrence [Carroll - Speyer 2004]



## Theorem (Carroll, Speyer)

For initial conditions $\left(f_{i}\right)_{i \in I}$ on $I \subset \mathbb{Z}^{3}$, and for a $z \in \mathbb{Z}^{3}$ whose value $f_{z}$ is defined by the cube recurrence,

$$
f_{z}=\sum_{\mathbf{g}} \prod_{i} f_{i} \operatorname{deg}_{\mathbf{g}}(i)-2 .
$$

# Limit shape 



## Ising model

Let $G=(V, E)$ be a planar graph, with positive coupling constants $\left(J_{e}\right)_{e \in E}$. $\sigma: V \rightarrow\{-1,+1\}$.

$$
\mathbb{P}(\sigma)=\frac{1}{Z_{\mathrm{lsing}}(G, J)} \prod_{e=u v \in E} \exp \left(J_{e} \sigma_{u} \sigma_{v}\right)
$$

Partition function:

$Z_{\text {lsing }}(G, J)=\sum_{\sigma \in\{-1,1\}^{v}} \prod_{e=u v \in E} \exp \left(J_{e} \sigma_{u} \sigma_{v}\right)$.

Let $x_{e}=\exp \left(-2 J_{e}\right)$.

## Star-triangle for the Ising model [Wannier 1945]



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\begin{aligned}
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& x_{2}^{\prime}=\sqrt{\frac{\left(x_{1}+x_{2} x_{3}\right)\left(x_{3}+x_{1} x_{2}\right)}{\left(x_{1} x_{2} x_{3}+1\right)\left(x_{2}+x_{1} x_{2}\right)}} \\
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\begin{aligned}
& g_{0}^{2} g_{0}^{\prime 2}+g_{1}^{2} g_{4}^{2}+g_{2}^{2} g_{5}^{2}+g_{3}^{2} g_{6}^{2}-2\left(g_{1} g_{3} g_{4} g_{6}+g_{2} g_{3} g_{5} g_{6}+g_{1} g_{2} g_{4} g_{5}\right) \\
&-2 g_{0} g_{0}^{\prime}\left(g_{1} g_{4}+g_{2} g_{5}+g_{3} g_{6}\right)-4\left(g_{0} g_{2} g_{4} g_{6}+g_{0}^{\prime} g_{1} g_{3} g_{5}\right)
\end{aligned}=0
$$

## Principal minors

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## Theorem [Holtz \& Sturmfels 2006; Oeding 2011]

If $M$ is symmetric,

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\begin{array}{r}
a_{\emptyset}^{2} a_{123}^{2}+a_{3}^{2} a_{12}^{2}+a_{2}^{2} a_{13}^{2}+a_{1}^{2} a_{23}^{2} \\
-2 a_{\emptyset} a_{3} a_{12} a_{123}-2 a_{\emptyset} a_{2} a_{13} a_{123}-2 a_{\emptyset} a_{23} a_{1} a_{123} \\
-2 a_{3} a_{2} a_{13} a_{12}-2 a_{3} a_{23} a_{12} a_{1}-2 a_{2} a_{23} a_{13} a_{1} \\
+4 a_{\emptyset} a_{23} a_{13} a_{12}+4 a_{3} a_{2} a_{1} a_{123}=0
\end{array}
$$

and all the relations of the $\left(a_{l}\right)$ are generated by this.

## Kashaev's recurrence

$$
\begin{aligned}
& g^{2} g_{123}^{2}+g_{1}^{2} g_{23}^{2}+g_{2}^{2} g_{13}^{2}+g_{3}^{2} g_{12}^{2} \\
& -2\left(g_{2} g_{3} g_{13} g_{12}+g_{1} g_{3} g_{23} g_{12}+g_{1} g_{2} g_{23} g_{13}\right) \\
& -2 g g_{123}\left(g_{1} g_{23}+g_{2} g_{13}+g_{3} g_{12}\right) \\
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This recurrence also generates Laurent polynomials.

## Question [Kenyon, Pemantle 2016]

Can one identify the solution of this recurrence with the partition function of a model?

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with boundary conditions. Global weight of a loop configuration $\omega$ :

$$
2^{N(\omega)} \prod_{f} w_{f}(\omega)
$$

where $N(\omega)$ is the number of finite loops in $\omega$.

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## Consequences

- Laurent polynomial in the $g_{i}$ and the $X_{\mathrm{f}}=\sqrt{g_{s} g_{t}+g_{u} g_{v}}$; interpretation of coefficients and exponents.
- Limit shapes.

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$$

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- Uniqueness: each monomial corresponds to a single configuration.

Reconstruction algorithm of a configuration from its weight.

## Limit shapes

Periodic initial conditions:


Sample a configuration with a probability proportional to its global weight.

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\begin{aligned}
& R=\frac{a c}{b^{2}}, \\
& N \rightarrow \infty,
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## Theorem [M. 2018]

For periodic initial conditions of order $N$, and
$z=(\lfloor N u\rfloor,\lfloor N v\rfloor,\lfloor N w\rfloor)$, when $N \rightarrow \infty$,

- if $[u: v: w]$ is in the solid region, $\rho(z) \sim \operatorname{cste} e^{-\kappa_{u v w} N}$,
- if $[u: v: w]$ is in the liquid region, $\rho(z) \sim \operatorname{cste} N^{-\theta_{u v w}}$,
- if $[u: v: w]$ is in the gas region, $\rho(z) \rightarrow \frac{1}{3}$.
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Analytic combinatorics in several variables [Pemantle, Wilson] (analysis of singularities of $F$ ) yield the asymptotic behaviour of its coefficients.

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## Question

Is there a direct relation between Ising configurations and bicolor loops?

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## Theorem [M. 2018]

$$
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$$

Idea of proof:


$$
w(\omega)=2^{N(\omega)} \prod_{\mathrm{f}} w_{\mathrm{f}}(\omega)
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10 local configurations.

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$$
w(\vec{\omega})=\prod_{\mathrm{f}} w_{\mathrm{f}}(\vec{\omega})
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40 local configurations.

Idea of proof:


$$
w(\hat{\vec{w}})=\prod_{t}^{\hat{w}_{i}(\hat{\vec{w}})} .
$$

36 local configurations.

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$$
w(\hat{\vec{\omega}})=\prod_{\mathrm{f}} \hat{w}_{\mathrm{f}}(\hat{\vec{\omega}})=w_{6} V\left(\tau_{1}\right) w_{6} V\left(\tau_{2}\right) .
$$

where $\tau_{1}, \tau_{2}$ are two six-vertex configurations with local weights $a_{e}, b_{e}, 1$.
They satisfy $a_{e}^{2}+b_{e}^{2}=1$ (free-fermion).

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## Remark

The blue loops are the interface of the product of 4 Ising models.

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