

Lecture 5

To carry out a conditional expectation \mathbb{E}_x we need

$$(i) \quad \Phi = \Phi' + \zeta \quad \text{independent}$$

$$(ii) \quad \zeta_x, \zeta_y \text{ Gaussian, independent for } |x-y| \geq L^{j/2}$$

In order to evaluate an expectation by carrying out a sequence of conditional expectations we need $\Phi = \sum_{j \geq 1} \zeta_j$ with ζ_x, ζ_y as in (ii) for each $j \geq 1$. This means that the covariance $u = u_{xy} = u(x,y)$ of Φ satisfies

$$(1) \quad u = \sum_{j \geq 1} c_j$$

$$(2) \quad c_j(x,y) = 0 \quad \text{if } |x-y| \geq L^{j/2}$$

Open question What class of $u(x,y) = u(x-y)$ have such decompositions where $c_j(x,y) = c_j(x-y)$?

In the references for these lectures are partial answers which include massive, massless lattice Gaussian fields. If, in addition to

(1) and (2) we have self-similarity,

$$(3) \quad c_{j+1}(x,y) = L^{-2[\phi]} c_j\left(\frac{x}{L}, \frac{y}{L}\right), \quad j \geq 1,$$

or an asymptotic version of (3) valid in the $j \rightarrow \infty$ limit, then

$u(x,y)$ will have power law decay

$$u(x,y) \sim c |x-y|^{-2[\phi]}$$

as $|x-y| \rightarrow \infty$. Since $(-\Delta)^{-1}(x,y) \sim c |x-y|^{-(d-2)}$, $d \neq 2$, for the lattice Laplacian, the case

$$[\phi] = \frac{d-2}{2}$$

is of principal interest. We say $\frac{d-2}{2}$ is the canonical dimension.

In view of the open question above we do not know to what extent the converse holds, $u(x,y) \sim c |x-y|^{-2[\phi]} \Rightarrow$ existence of decomposition satisfying (1), (2), (3). The next Lemma answers the question when $u(x,y) = |x-y|^{-2[\phi]}$. It gives a two-sided decomposition, $j \in \mathbb{Z}$, because the negative scales capture the singularity as $|x-y| \rightarrow 0$. Of course this Lemma is not relevant for the lattice, so it is only of indirect relevance to these lectures.

In the references one can deduce that the covariance $(m^2 - \Delta)^{-1}$ for the massive Gaussian has a decomposition as in (1), (2) which obeys an approximate form of (3) for scales j such that $m L^j \leq 1$. For j with $m L^j \geq 1$ c_j goes to zero like $\exp(-m L^j)$ in sup norm.

Lemma Let $L > 1$, $\phi > 0$. There exists a C^∞ positive-definite $u(x)$ with support in $|x| \leq \frac{1}{2}$ s.t.

$$|x-y|^{-2[\phi]} = \sum_{j \in \mathbb{Z}} L^{-j[\phi]} u(L^{-j}(x-y))$$

for $x \neq y$.

Proof Let $v(x)$ be a smooth function of $|x|$ with support in $|x| \leq \frac{1}{4}$. Then $v*v$ is a positive-definite fn of $|x|$ with support in $|x| \leq \frac{1}{2}$. Replacing v by $v*v$ we may assume v is smooth, positive-def. with support in $|x| \leq \frac{1}{2}$. Let

$$f(x) = \int_0^\infty \frac{dl}{l} l^{-2[\phi]} v\left(\frac{x}{l}\right)$$

The integral is convergent near ∞ because v is bounded, and $\int_0^\infty \frac{dl}{l} l^{-2[\phi]}$ is convergent near ∞ . It is also convergent near $l=0$ because $v(x_l) = 0$ near $l=0$, recalling $x \neq 0$ and v has compact support.

For any $x \neq 0$ the change of variable $l = |x|l'$ proves that

$$f(x) = |x|^{-2[\phi]} f\left(\frac{x}{|x|}\right) \text{ so } f(x) = \text{const. } |x|^{-2[\phi]}. \text{ By}$$

replacing v with a positive multiple of v we absorb the constant so that $f(x) = |x|^{-2[\phi]}$,

$$|x|^{-2[\phi]} = \int_0^\infty \frac{dl}{l} l^{-2[\phi]} v\left(\frac{x}{l}\right)$$

Break the range of integration into $\bigcup_j [L^{-j}, L^j]$

$$= \sum_{j \in \mathbb{Z}} \int_{L^{j-1}}^{L^j} \frac{dl}{l} l^{-2[\phi]} v\left(\frac{x}{l}\right) \quad \begin{matrix} \text{all integrals} \\ \text{are scaling on } S^1. \end{matrix}$$

which

$$\text{proves the Lemma holds with } u(x-y) = \int_1^L \frac{dl}{l} l^{-2[\phi]} v\left(\frac{x-y}{l}\right).$$

RG Norms

The following (semi)norms on \mathbb{R}^Λ are dictated by (1) multiplicativity
 (2) control of Taylor expansions to order p .

Let $\Lambda^* = \bigcup_{p \geq 0} \Lambda^p$ be the set of finite sequences at lattice points in Λ .

$$x = (x_1, \dots, x_p) \in \Lambda^*, \quad x = () \text{ is null sequence } (p=0).$$

$p = p(x)$ is length of sequence x

A Taylor expansion of $K: \mathbb{R}^\Lambda \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ looks like

$$K(\phi + \xi) \sim \sum_{x \in \Lambda^*} \frac{1}{p!} \underbrace{K_x(\phi)}_{\frac{\partial^p K(\phi)}{\partial \phi_{x_1} \dots \partial \phi_{x_p}}} \xi_{x_1} \dots \xi_{x_p}$$

Given $g: \Lambda^* \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$, let

$$\langle K, g \rangle_\phi = \sum_x \frac{1}{p!} K_x(\phi) g_x$$

g is called a "test function". For Φ any normed space of test functions, let

Drastic change in notation!

$$\|K\|_{T_\Phi} = \sup_{\|g\| \leq 1} |\langle K, g \rangle_\phi|$$

From now on Φ is a space!!

(For SI, which is a function of (ϕ, ξ) we regard ξ as a parameter)

Example Fix $p_p \in \mathbb{N}$.

$$\|g\|_{\Phi} = \sup_{\substack{x \in \Lambda^* \\ p(x) \leq p_p}} \sup_{\alpha \in A} |\nabla^\alpha g(x)| L^{i[\phi] + j|\alpha|}$$

A: up to 2 lattice forward or backward derivatives for each component of $x = (x_1, \dots, x_p)$.

Factors of L in $\|g\|_{\Phi}$ are such that $\sum_{x: p \leq p_p} \prod_{j=1}^p K_x(\phi) \phi_{x_1} \dots \phi_{x_p}$
is $\approx \|K\|_{T_\phi}$ for a typical field ϕ . The covariance of $\phi = \phi_1 + \phi_{1+} + \dots$ is dominated by the covariance of C_j and $\nabla^\alpha C_j(x, x) = O(L^{-2j[\phi] - 2j|\alpha|})$
so if we take $g_x = \phi_{x_1} \phi_{x_2} \dots \phi_{x_p}$ then $\|g\|_{\Phi}$ fluctuates around 1.

Lemma with Φ as in example,

$$\|K_1 K_2\|_{T_\phi} \leq \|K_1\|_{T_\phi} \|K_2\|_{T_\phi}$$

Proof First show that
if $\tilde{g}_z = \sum_w \frac{1}{w!} G_w g_{zw}$
then $\|\tilde{g}\|_{\Phi} \leq \|G\|_{T_\phi} \|g\|_{\Phi}$

Control of E_+ .

If, in addition we have measurable functions $G_j(x)$, $j \geq 0$, $x \in \mathbb{R}^p$,

$$E_+ G_j(x) \leq \alpha^{|x|_1} G_{j+1}(x)$$

$$G_j(x \vee y) \leq G_j(x) G_j(y) \quad x \wedge y = \emptyset$$

then

$$\|K(x)\|_{T_\phi} \leq E_+ G_j(x) \quad (\epsilon) \quad \Rightarrow$$

$$\|E_+ K(x)\|_{T_\phi} \leq \epsilon E_+ G_j(x) \leq \epsilon G_{j+1}(x) \alpha^{|x|_1}$$

so $\|K(x)\|_j = \text{best constant } \epsilon \text{ in (E) is a basic construction for norms which factor and control } E_+$.

Constructions of $G_j(x)$ for ϕ^4 models and self-avoiding walks are surprisingly easy. See the bibliography. Construction of $G_j(x)$ for the anharmonic lattice is surprisingly hard. See Park City Notes.

Anharmonic Lattice

$$Z(\Lambda) = \int \underbrace{e^{-\frac{\lambda}{2} (\nabla \phi, \nabla \phi)}}_{\text{harmonic}} \underbrace{F^{\Lambda}}_{\text{anharmonic}}$$

$\Lambda \subset \mathbb{Z}^d$, periodic, integral over $\mathbb{R}^{\Lambda \setminus \{0\}}$ ($\phi(0)$ set to zero).

F_x is an even, Euclidean lattice covariant function of the gradients $(\phi_{x+e} - \phi_x, e \in \mathbb{Z}^d$ unit vectors). For example,

$$F_x = e^{-V\left(\sum_e (\phi_{x+e} - \phi_x)^2\right)},$$

where $V: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is bounded below. Another possibility is

$$F_x = e^{3 \sum_e \cos(\phi_{x+e} - \phi_x)} \quad \text{or} \quad 1 + \sum_e \cos(\phi_{x+e} - \phi_x)$$

This choice equals the dipole gas (see my Park City lectures).

$F \approx 1$ hypothesis

$$|\mathcal{D}^p F_x| \leq A^{*-1} h^{-p} e^{\lambda h^{-2} (\nabla \phi)_x^2}$$

for $A \geq A_0(d)$ $h \geq h_0(d, A)$

Theorem Scaling limit is same as model with $F_x = 1$ and $(\nabla \phi, \nabla \phi)$ replaced by $\gamma (\nabla \phi, \nabla \phi)$, some $\gamma = \gamma(F)$.

Scaling limit For $h \in C_0^\infty(\mathbb{R}^d)$,

$$\langle \phi, h \rangle = \sum_x \phi_x h(x)$$

$$h_\ell(x) = \ell^{-[h]} h(x/\ell) \quad [h] = \frac{d+2}{2} \quad (*)$$

then conclusion is

$$\lim_{\ell \rightarrow \infty} \lim_{N \uparrow \mathbb{Z}^d} \frac{1}{Z(N)} \int e^{-\frac{1}{2} \langle \nabla \phi, \nabla \phi \rangle} F^\Lambda e^{-\langle \phi, h_\ell \rangle} \quad (\text{scaling})$$

$$= e^{-\frac{1}{2} \iint h(x) \frac{1}{r|x-y|} h(y) dx dy}$$

(*) chosen so conclusion holds for case $F_x = 1$. For $d=2$ $|x-y|^{-(d-2)}$ is replaced by $\ln |x-y|$ and I have left out some factors of 2π in RHS.

Idea of proof

For $\gamma > 0$, not yet determined, write LHS of (scaling) as

$$Z(\lambda)^{-1} \int e^{-\frac{\gamma}{2}(\nabla\phi, \nabla\phi)} e^{-\langle \phi, h_\epsilon \rangle} F_\gamma^\wedge$$

\uparrow $\exp\left(-\frac{(1-\gamma)}{2}(\nabla\phi, \nabla\phi)\right)$ into \uparrow

Get rid of $\langle \phi, h_\epsilon \rangle$ by completing square

$$\phi_x = \tilde{\phi}_x + \underbrace{\sum_y (-\gamma\Delta)^{-1}_{xy} h_\epsilon(y)}_{uh(y)}, \quad u = (-\gamma\Delta)^{-1}$$

to obtain

$$\left(Z(\lambda)^{-1} \int e^{-\frac{\gamma}{2}(\nabla\phi, \nabla\phi)} F_\gamma(o+uh_\epsilon)^\wedge \right) \underbrace{e^{\frac{1}{2}\langle h_\epsilon, uh_\epsilon \rangle}}_{\rightarrow \text{RHS (scaling)}} \quad \text{as } l \rightarrow \infty$$

with $\mathcal{T} = \mathcal{T}_{uh_\epsilon}$ = translate ϕ by uh_ϵ .

Therefore it suffices to prove $\exists r$ s.t.

$$\lim_{l \rightarrow \infty} \lim_{\lambda \nearrow} \lambda \frac{\mathbb{E} (\mathcal{T}_{uh_\epsilon} F_\lambda)^\wedge}{\mathbb{E} F_\lambda^\wedge} = 1 \quad (\text{target})$$

Instead will take easier limit $l = L^N$, $\lambda \in \mathcal{B}_N$
 where $\text{diam}(N) = L^N$, $l = L^N$, $N \rightarrow \infty$.

The point of this simplification is that we are going to evaluate E as a sequence of conditional expectations

$$\phi = S_1 + S_2 + \dots + S_{N-1} + \phi_N \leftarrow E_1 E_2 E_{N-1} E_N = S_N + S_{N+1} + \dots$$

and we can write

$$\phi + u h_L = S_1 + S_2 + \dots + S_{N-1} + (\phi_N + u h_L)$$

because $u h_L$ regarded as a test function,

$$g_x = u h_L(x_1) u h_L(x_2) \dots u h_L(x_p),$$

has norm $\|g\|_{\mathbb{B}}^+ = o(1)^+$ as $N \rightarrow \infty$. Thus,

$$E_N E_{N-1} \dots E_1 \tau I \circ \tau K(\lambda) = \tau I_N \circ \tau K_N(\lambda)$$

$$= \tau I_N(\lambda) + \tau K_N(\lambda) \quad \lambda \in \mathbb{B}_N!$$

$$= I_N(\lambda, u h_L) + K_N(\lambda, u h_L)$$

$$= \underbrace{I_N(\lambda, 0) + K_N(\lambda, 0)}_{\text{same as denominator in (target)}} + \text{Taylor expansion in powers of } u h_L$$

so it suffices to prove that $I_N \rightarrow 1$, $K_N \rightarrow 0$ in T_0 norm.

[†] see page 12

Choose

$$I_j(B) = C - \sum_{x \in B} (a_j (\nabla \phi)_x^2 + b_j)$$

Remark

I has dimension L^0
 $(\nabla \phi)^2$ dimension $L^{-2[\phi]-2} = L^{-2 \frac{d-2}{2}-2} = L^{-d}$

By Definition at end of Lecture 2, I is relevant,

$(\nabla \phi)^2$ is marginal, all other monomials which are even and Euclidean invariant, such as

$$(\nabla \phi)^4 L^{-4 \left(\frac{d-2}{2} + 1 \right)} = L^{-2d}$$

are irrelevant. End of remark.

Write $F_{jx} = I_0(\{x\}) + (F_{jx} - I_0(\{x\}))$

\downarrow
 $j=0$ block

Choose a_0 so $F_{jx} - I_0(\{x\}) = O(\nabla \phi)^4$

Binomial Thm: $F_j = I_0^{\wedge} K_0(\Lambda)$

$F \approx I$ hypothesis $\Rightarrow \epsilon_k$ small, start inductive use of Theorems 1, 2, 3.

Coupling constants a_j, b_j flow. Choose a_0, b_0 s.t $(a_j, b_j) \rightarrow (0, 0)$

(See Park City Notes). By our general formalism of lectures 3, 4

$\|K_j\| \rightarrow 0$ so we have $I_{jx} \rightarrow I$, $K_j \rightarrow 0$ in T_0 norm

To check the norm $\|g\|_{\Phi}$ of

$$g_x = u h_{L^N}(x) \cdots u h_{L^N}(x_p)$$

Since $\|g\|_{\Phi} = \|u h_{L^N}\|_{\Phi}^p$ regarding $u h_{L^N}$ as a test function concentrated on sequences of length $p=1$ it suffices to check $\|u h_{L^N}\|_{\Phi}$. The L^{N^d} parts of the Φ norm commute through u and the scaling in h_{L^N} makes them bounded by derivatives of $h \in C_0^\infty$. So we consider

$\alpha=0$ in $\|\cdot\|_{\Phi}$ leading to

$$\begin{aligned} & \left| L^{N[\Phi]} u h_{L^N}(x) \right| \\ &= L^{N[\Phi]} L^{-\frac{d+2}{2}N} \left| \sum_{y \in \Lambda} u(x,y) h\left(\frac{y}{L^N}\right) \right| \\ &\leq L^{N[\Phi]} L^{-\frac{d+2}{2}N} \left(\sum_{y \in \Lambda} O(|x-y|^{-(d-2)}) \right) \sup |h(y)| \\ &= L^{N[\Phi]} L^{-\frac{d+2}{2}N} L^{2N} \sup |h| \quad (\text{diam}(\Lambda) = L^N) \end{aligned}$$

Put in $[\Phi] = \frac{d-2}{2}$.

$$= \sup |h|. \quad \checkmark$$