

Convergence of MCMC and Loopy BP in the Tree Uniqueness Region for the Hard-Core Model

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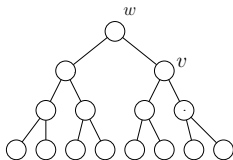
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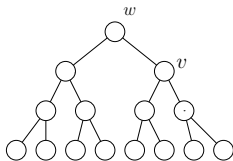
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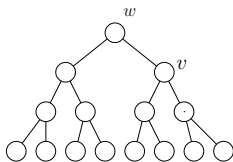


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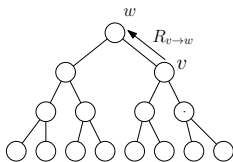


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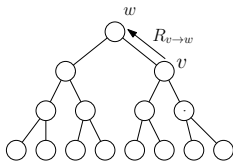
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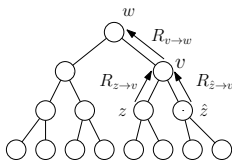
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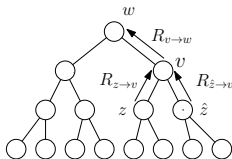
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What is $\lambda_c(\Delta)$? [Kelly 1985]

Critical point for “uniqueness/non-uniqueness” transition of the hard-core model on Δ regular trees

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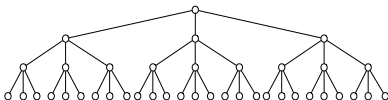


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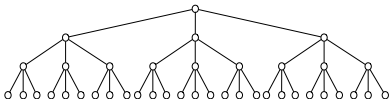
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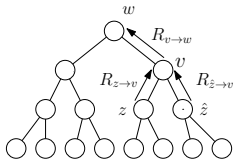
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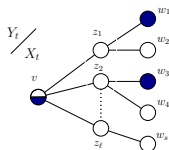
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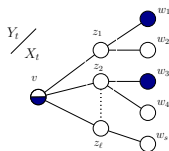


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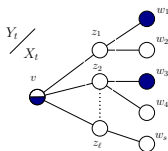
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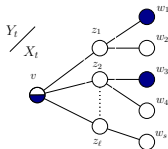
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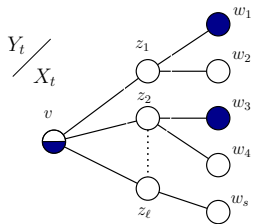
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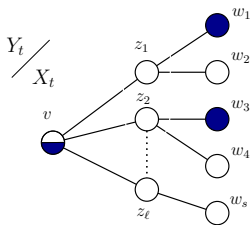
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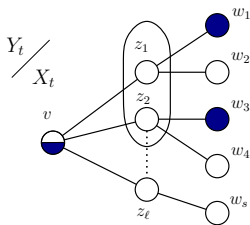
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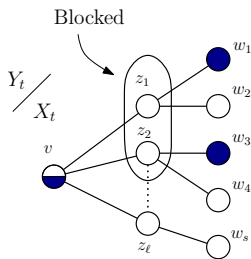
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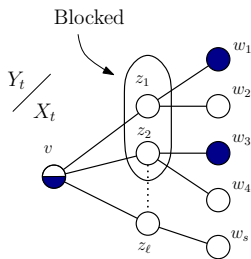
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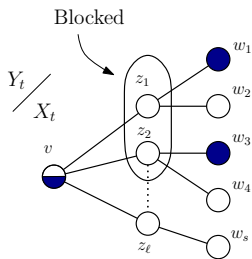
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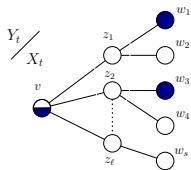
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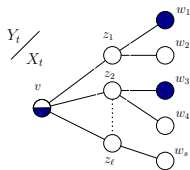
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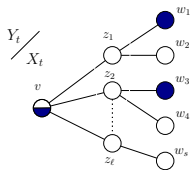
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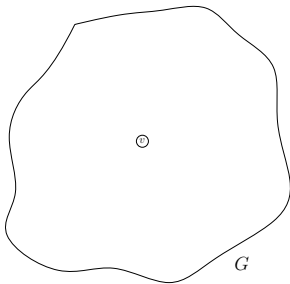
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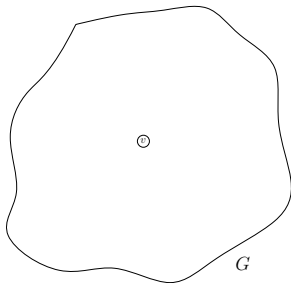
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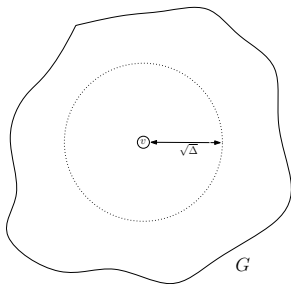
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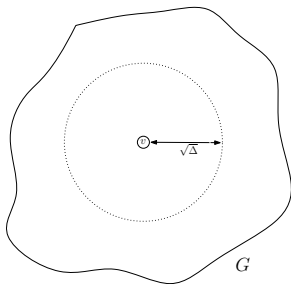
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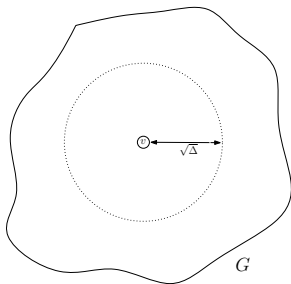
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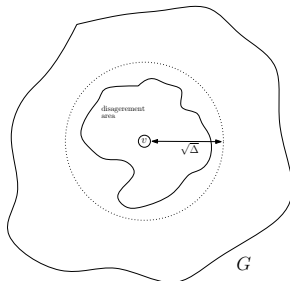
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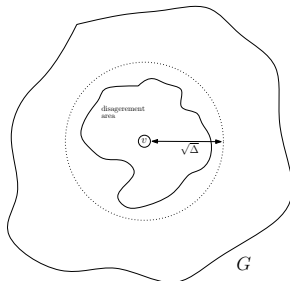
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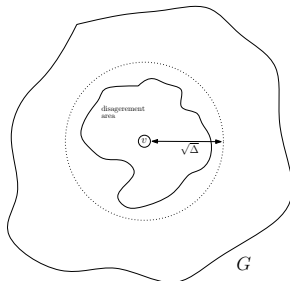
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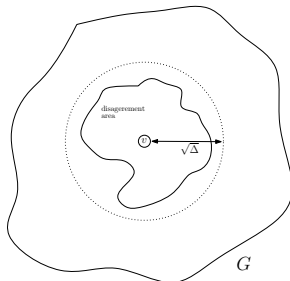
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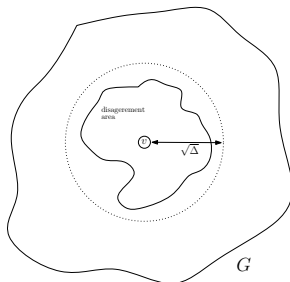
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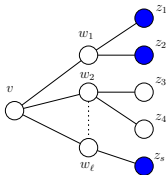
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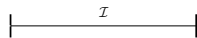
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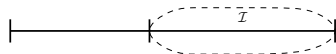


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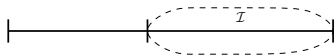


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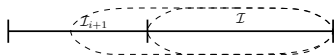
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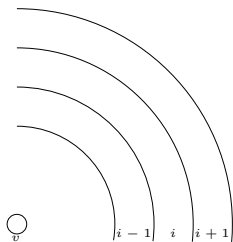
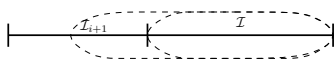
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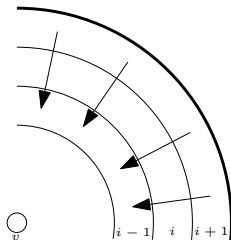
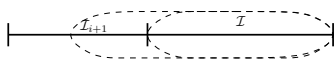
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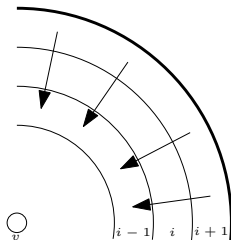
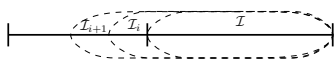
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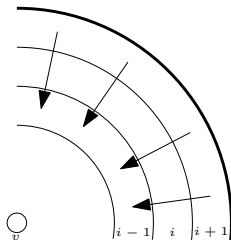
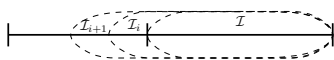
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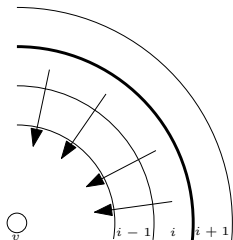
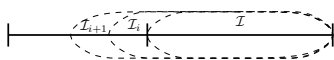
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