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1. **S. S. Manna** and Robert M. Ziff, *Bond percolation between k separated points on a square lattice*, Physical Review E, 101, 062143, 2020

Areas of Research

Statistical Physics

We consider a percolation process in which k points separated by a distance proportional to the system size L simultaneously connect together ($k > 1$), or a single point at the center of a system connects to the boundary ($k = 1$), through adjacent connected points of a single cluster. These processes yield new thresholds p_{ck} defined as the average value of p at which the desired connections first occur. These thresholds are not sharp, as the distribution of values of p_{ck} for individual samples remains broad in the limit of $L \rightarrow \infty$. We study p_{ck} for bond percolation on the square lattice and find that p_{ck} are above the normal percolation threshold $p_c = 1/2$ and represent specific supercritical states. The p_{ck} can be related to integrals over powers of the function $P(p)$ equal to the probability a point is connected to the infinite cluster; we find numerically from both direct simulations and from measurements of $P(p)$ on $L \times L$ systems that for $L \rightarrow \infty$, $p_{c1} = 0.51755(5)$, $p_{c2} = 0.53219(5)$, $p_{c3} = 0.54456(5)$, and $p_{c4} = 0.55527(5)$. The percolation thresholds p_{ck} remain the same, even when the k points are randomly selected within the lattice. We show that the finite-size corrections scale as $L^{-1/k}$ where $k = \nu/(k+1)$, with $\nu = 5/36$ and $\nu = 4/3$ being the ordinary percolation critical exponents, so that $\nu_1 = 48/41$, $\nu_2 = 24/23$, $\nu_3 = 16/17$, $\nu_4 = 6/7$, etc. We also study three-point correlations in the system and show how for $p > p_c$, the correlation ratio goes to 1 (no net correlation) as $L \rightarrow \infty$, while at p_c it reaches the known value of 1.022.