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Corrigendum

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There is an error in the proof of lemma 3.4 for $\alpha > 0$, which can be remedied, as we outline below, by using (3.22) and (3.13) directly. For fixed $\alpha \geq 0$ it follows from (3.22) that

$$Z_n^*(\alpha|\chi) \leq e^{\kappa_d n + o(n)} + e^{o(n)} \max_m [Z_m^+(\alpha|\bar{\chi}^{(1)}) Z_{n-m}^+(\alpha|\chi^{(2)})]$$

and using (3.13) this implies that

$$\begin{aligned} Z_n^*(\alpha|\chi) &\leq e^{\kappa_d n + o(n)} + e^{o(n)} \max_m \max_{0 \leq i \leq 5} \max_{0 \leq j \leq 5} [L_{m+i}(\alpha|\chi^{(1)}) L_{n-m+j}(\alpha|\chi^{(2)})] \\ &\leq e^{\kappa_d n + o(n)} + e^{o(n)} \max_{0 \leq i \leq 10} L_{n+i}(\alpha|\chi^{(3)}) \end{aligned}$$

where $\chi^{(1)}$ and $\chi^{(2)}$ are colourings derived by extending the colourings $\bar{\chi}^{(1)}$ and $\chi^{(2)}$ respectively, and where $\chi^{(3)}$ is the colouring resulting from the concatenation of the two loops. For any $\alpha \geq 0$ $L_n(\alpha|\chi) \geq L_n(0, \chi) \geq e^{\kappa_d n - o(n)}$. Moreover, $L_n(\alpha|\chi) \leq L_{n+i}(\alpha|\chi')$ for any $i \geq 0$ and any χ' which is an extension of χ . Hence

$$Z_n^*(\alpha|\chi) \leq e^{o(n)} L_{n+10}(\alpha|\chi^{(3)}).$$

Taking logarithms, dividing by n and averaging over colourings gives

$$\langle n^{-1} \log Z_n^*(\alpha|\chi) \rangle \leq \langle n^{-1} \log L_{n+10}(\alpha|\chi^{(3)}) \rangle + o(1) = \bar{\kappa}(\alpha) + o(1)$$

which is the result of (3.23) and proves lemma 3.4.

We also note that the proof of lemma 3.2 can be simplified by disconnecting the walk ω into *three* subwalks, the first running from vertex 0 to vertex $m - 1$, the second being the single edge lying in the plane $z = 0$ from vertex $m - 1$ to vertex m , and the third running from vertex m to vertex n . In the reconnection process the orientation of the single edge (from vertex $m - 1$ to vertex m) can be changed to avoid having to add an additional edge in the plane $z = 0$, in the middle of the walk.

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