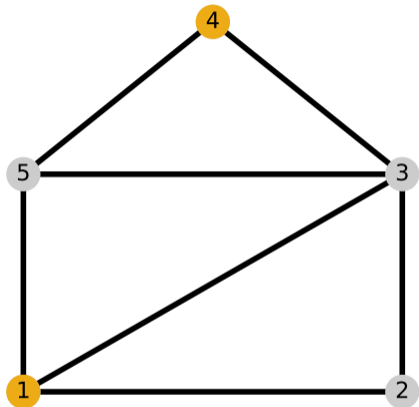


# Modulus On Orthodiagonal Maps

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## Connecting Families of Paths

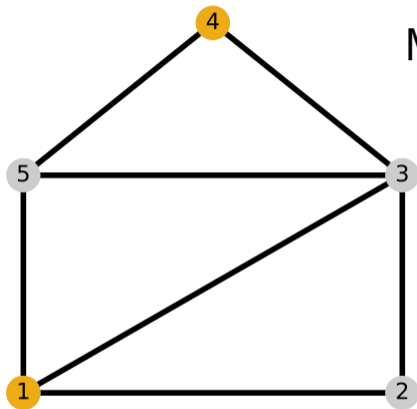


$$\Gamma := \Gamma_{\text{path}}(a, b) \subset \mathbb{R}_{\geq 0}^E$$

$$\gamma \in \Gamma \iff \mathcal{N}(\gamma, \cdot) \in \{0, 1\}^E$$

“Edge Usage”

## Modulus



$$\text{Mod}_{2,\sigma} \Gamma := \min_{\rho \in \text{Adm} \Gamma} \sum_{e \in E} \sigma(e) \rho(e)^2$$

$\text{Adm} \Gamma$  is set of  $\rho \in \mathbb{R}_{\geq 0}^E$  :

$$\sum_{e \in E} \mathcal{N}(\gamma, e) \rho(e) \geq 1, \forall \gamma$$

“Everyone pays 1 dollar”

$$\text{Mod}_{2,\sigma} \Gamma = \text{eff} \mathcal{C}_{\sigma}(a, b)$$

## Fulkerson Duality For Modulus

The **Fulkerson dual** family is  $\hat{\Gamma} := \text{ext}(\text{Adm}(\Gamma)) \subset \mathbb{R}_{\geq 0}^E$

Theorem (2017, with Albin et al.)

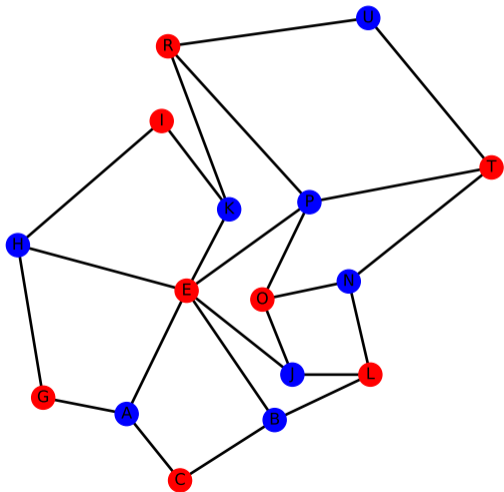
*We have*

$$\text{Mod}_{2,\sigma}(\Gamma) \cdot \text{Mod}_{2,\sigma^{-1}}(\hat{\Gamma}) = 1$$

*and*

$$\hat{\Gamma}_{\text{path}}(a, b) = \Gamma_{\text{cut}}(a, b)$$

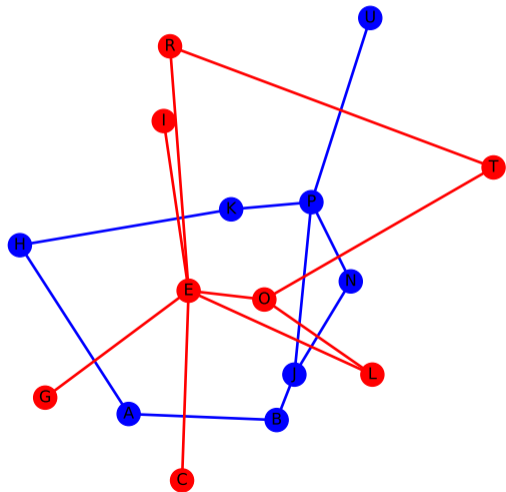
## Orthodiagonal maps



Simply connected domain  
tiled with quadrilaterals with  
**orthogonal diagonals**

Get a bipartite graph

# Orthodiagonal maps

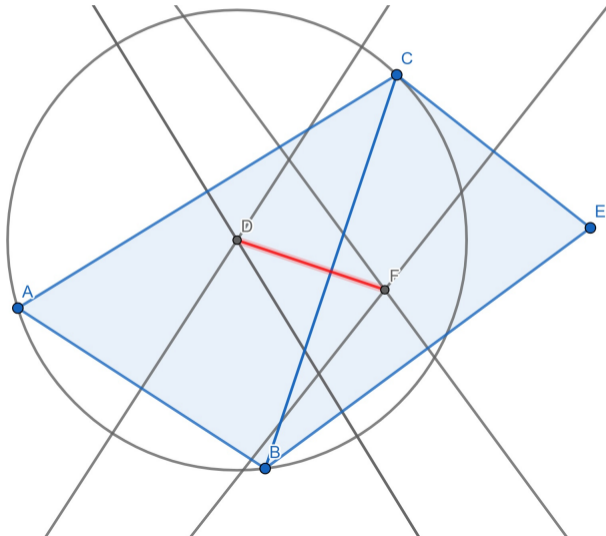


Primal graph

Dual graph

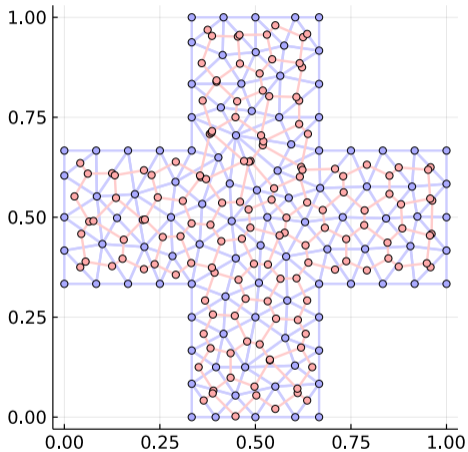
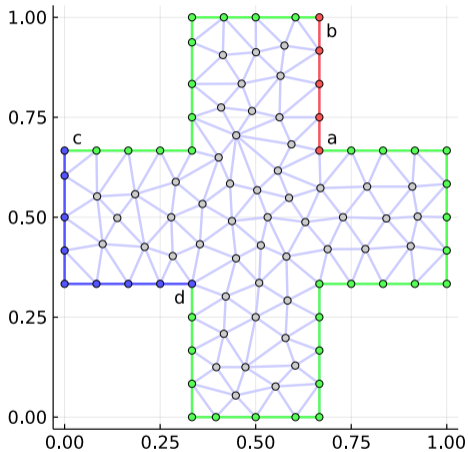


# Delaunay triangulations in numerical analysis

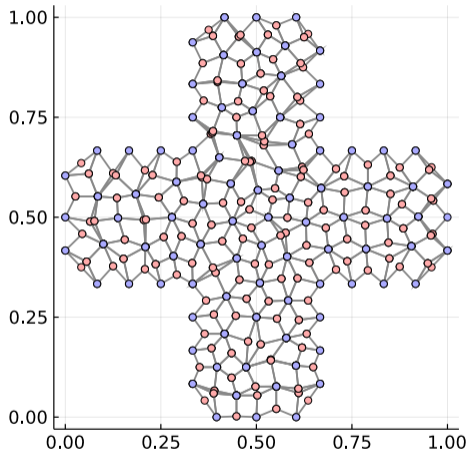




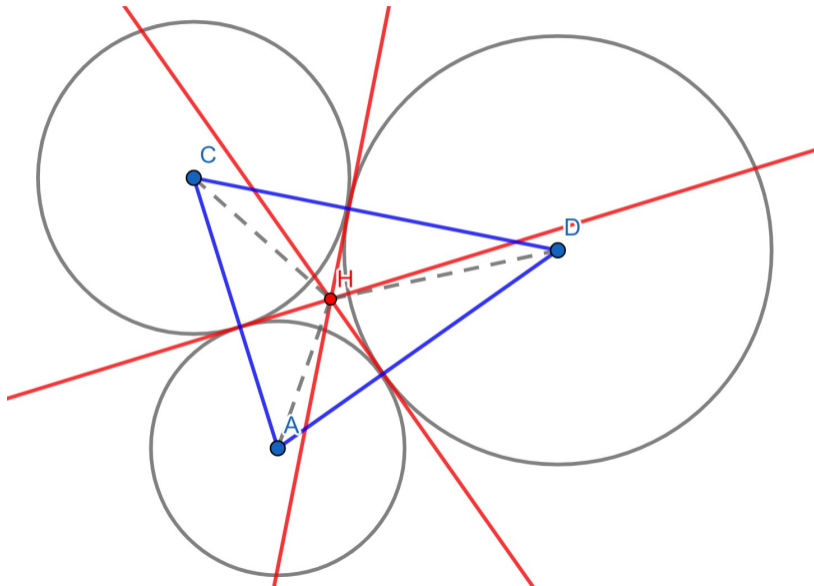
# Delaunay triangulation and its dual Voronoi graph



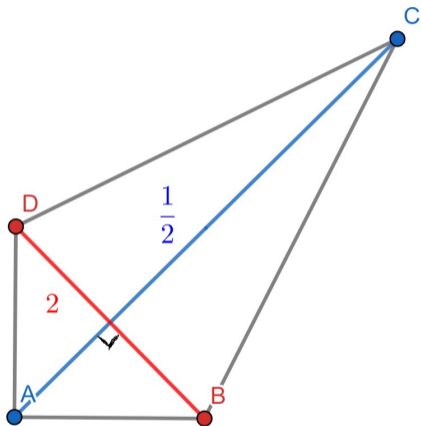
# Quadrilaterals with orthogonal diagonals



# Circle packings



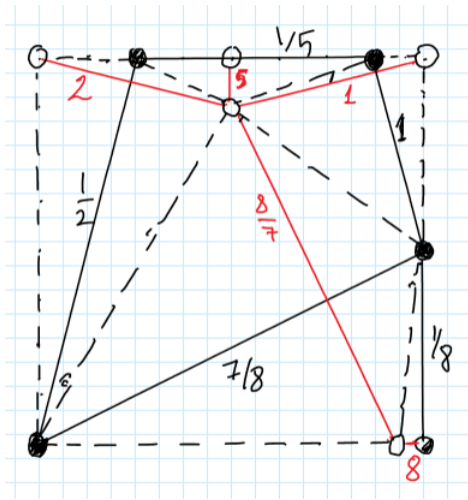
## Canonical weights



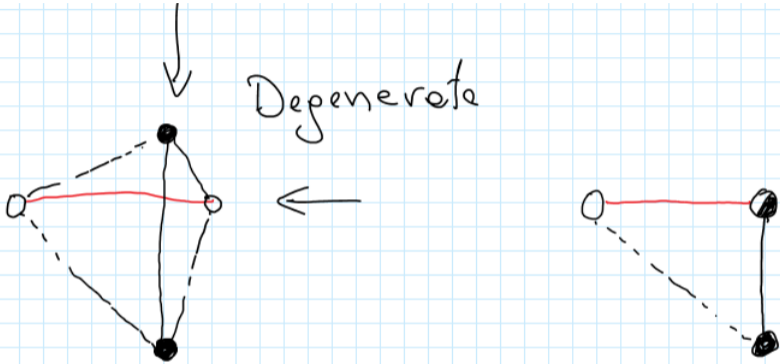
$$\sigma(A, C) = \frac{|BD|}{|AC|}$$

$$\sigma(B, D) = \frac{|AC|}{|BD|}$$

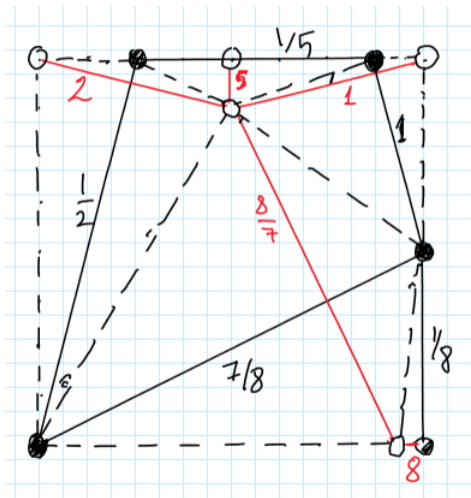
# Orthodiagonal Packings of the Square



# Degeneration



# Orthodiagonal Packings of the Square



$$\text{Mod } \Gamma_{\text{LR}}^{\text{b}} = \frac{7}{8} + \frac{1}{2+5+1}$$

$$\text{Mod } \Gamma_{\text{LR}}^{\text{r}} = \frac{1}{\frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{1 + \frac{1}{\frac{7}{8} + \frac{1}{8}}}}$$

$$\text{Mod } \Gamma_{\text{BT}}^{\text{b}} = \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{1 + \frac{1}{\frac{7}{8} + \frac{1}{8}}}$$

$$\text{Mod } \Gamma_{\text{BT}}^{\text{r}} = \frac{1}{\frac{7}{8} + \frac{1}{1+2+5}}$$

## Modulus is Always One

### Theorem

Tile a square with an orthodiagonal map (appropriately weighted). Then, all four modulus problems, left-right or bottom-top, either on the primal or dual graph, are equal to one.



## The Dirichlet Problem

Assume  $Q = [0, 1] \times [0, 1] \subset \mathbb{C}$ . Recall that  $h(z) := \operatorname{Re}(z)$  and  $\tilde{h}(z) := \operatorname{Im}(z)$  solve the Dirichlet problems

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{ll} (\Delta h)(z) = 0 & z \in \operatorname{int}(Q) \\ h(z) = 0 & \operatorname{Re}(z) = 0 \\ h(z) = 1 & \operatorname{Im}(z) = 1 \end{array} \right. \quad \left\{ \begin{array}{ll} (\Delta \tilde{h})(z) = 0 & z \in \operatorname{int}(Q) \\ \tilde{h}(z) = 0 & \operatorname{Im}(z) = 0 \\ \tilde{h}(z) = 1 & \operatorname{Re}(z) = 1 \end{array} \right.$$

Do same on the primal and dual graphs using the weighted discrete Laplacian and get:

$$h^\bullet, h^\circ, \tilde{h}^\bullet, \tilde{h}^\circ$$

## The Discrete Laplacian

The weighted discrete Laplacian is

$$(L_\sigma u)(x) := \sum_{y \sim x} \sigma(x, y) (u(x) - u(y))$$

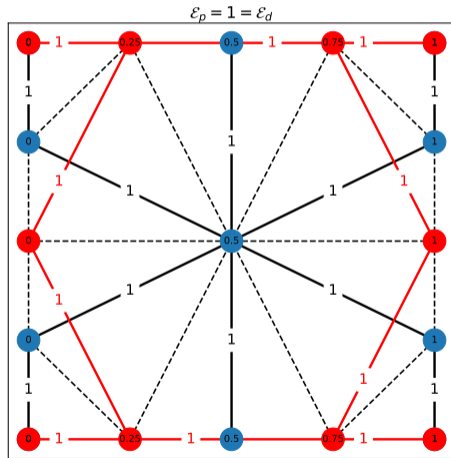
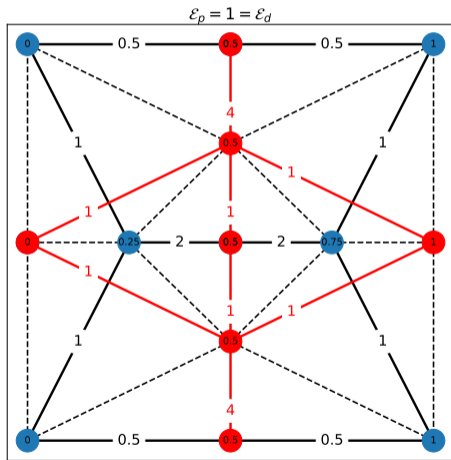
Energy (or quadratic form):

$$\mathcal{E}^\bullet(h^\bullet) := \sum_{\{x, y\} \in E} \sigma(x, y) (h^\bullet(x) - h^\bullet(y))^2 = \text{Mod}_{2, \sigma} \Gamma_{\text{LR}}^\bullet$$

And similar formulas hold for

$$\text{Mod}_{2, \sigma} \Gamma_{\text{LR}}^\circ, \quad \text{Mod}_{2, \sigma} \Gamma_{\text{BT}}^\bullet, \quad \text{Mod}_{2, \sigma} \Gamma_{\text{BT}}^\circ.$$

# Examples



## Harmonicity of $\operatorname{Re} z$ and $\operatorname{Im} z$

Suppose  $z \in V^\bullet \setminus \partial G$ . Then,  $z \in q^\circ$  face of the dual graph  $G^\circ$ . Let  $w_0, w_1, \dots, w_k$  be of  $q^\circ$  with  $w_0 = w_k$ . Consider faces  $q_j = (z, w_{j-1}, z_j, w_j)$  with  $j = 1, \dots, k$ . Then,

$$w_j - w_{j-1} = i(z_j - z)\sigma(z, z_j).$$

So,

$$0 = \sum_{j=1}^k (w_j - w_{j-1}) = i \sum_{j=1}^k \sigma(z, z_j)(z_j - z).$$

Now take real and imaginary parts.

## The Main Identity

Set  $Z = z' - z$  and  $W = w' - w$ , so that  $W = i\sigma(z, z')Z$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} 0 &= \sum_q \sigma(W) |W - i\sigma(Z)Z|^2 \\ &= \mathcal{E}^\circ(h^\circ) + \mathcal{E}^\circ(\tilde{h}^\circ) + \mathcal{E}^\bullet(h^\bullet) + \mathcal{E}^\bullet(\tilde{h}^\bullet) - 2 \sum_q \operatorname{Re}(iZ\overline{W}) \end{aligned}$$

Note that

$$\begin{aligned} \operatorname{Re}(iZ\overline{W}) &= |Z||W| = 2 \operatorname{Area} q \\ \implies \mathcal{E}^\circ(h^\circ) + \mathcal{E}^\circ(\tilde{h}^\circ) + \mathcal{E}^\bullet(h^\bullet) + \mathcal{E}^\bullet(\tilde{h}^\bullet) &= 4 \end{aligned}$$

## Fulkerson duality

$$\mathcal{E}^\bullet(h^\bullet)\mathcal{E}^\circ(\tilde{h}^\circ) = 1 \quad \text{and} \quad \mathcal{E}^\circ(h^\circ)\mathcal{E}^\bullet(\tilde{h}^\bullet) = 1.$$

Therefore,

$$\left( \mathcal{E}^\bullet(h^\bullet) + \frac{1}{\mathcal{E}^\bullet(h^\bullet)} \right) + \left( \mathcal{E}^\circ(h^\circ) + \frac{1}{\mathcal{E}^\circ(h^\circ)} \right) = 4.$$

But this implies that

$$\mathcal{E}^\bullet(h^\bullet) = \mathcal{E}^\circ(h^\circ) = 1,$$

because  $x + \frac{1}{x} \geq 2$  for all  $x \geq 0$ , with equality iff  $x = 1$ .

## Conclusion

We have shown

$$\mathcal{E}^\bullet(h^\bullet) = \mathcal{E}^\circ(h^\circ) = 1,$$

and by Fulkerson duality

$$\mathcal{E}^\bullet(\tilde{h}^\bullet) = \mathcal{E}^\circ(\tilde{h}^\circ) = 1.$$

The claim follows.

## Modulus Convergence

### Corollary

Let  $G_n$  be an orthodiagonal tiling of the square  $Q$  with mesh size  $1/n$ . Then  $\text{Mod}_2 \Gamma_n \longrightarrow \text{Mod}_2 \Gamma$  as  $n \rightarrow \infty$ .

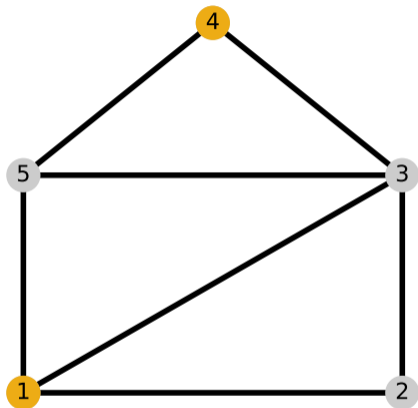
### Theorem

Let  $G_n$  be an orthodiagonal tiling with mesh size  $1/n$  of the domain  $\hat{G}_n$  so that  $(\hat{G}_n, \alpha_n, \beta_n)$  converges to  $(\Omega, A, B)$  in Hausdorff distance. Then

$$\text{Mod}_2 \Gamma_n \longrightarrow \text{Mod}_2 \Gamma \quad \text{as } n \rightarrow \infty.$$



## Probabilistic Interpretation



$$(\text{Mod } \Gamma)^{-1} = \min_{\mu \in \mathcal{P}(\Gamma)} \mathbb{E}_{\mu} |\underline{\gamma} \cap \underline{\gamma}'|$$

$\mu \in \mathbb{R}_{\geq 0}^{\Gamma}$  is a pmf

Optimal pmf  $\mu^*$  not unique

Edge prob  $\eta^*(e) := \mathbb{P}_{\mu^*}(e \in \underline{\gamma})$  are unique

## Problem

Do the optimal pmf's for modulus converge as the mesh goes to zero?

## Non-crossing Minimal Subfamily Algorithm

Let  $G$  be a finite plane graph, and  $A$  and  $B$  be boundary arcs. Then  $\Gamma_G(A, B)$  has a unique minimal subfamily  $\tilde{\Gamma}$  consisting of non-crossing paths that supports an optimal pmf  $\mu^*$ .

$\tilde{\Gamma}$  is a *minimal subfamily* of  $\Gamma$  if  $\text{Mod } \tilde{\Gamma} = \text{Mod } \Gamma$  and

$$\text{Mod } \tilde{\Gamma} \setminus \{\gamma\} < \text{Mod } \Gamma, \quad \forall \gamma \in \tilde{\Gamma}$$

## Main convergence result

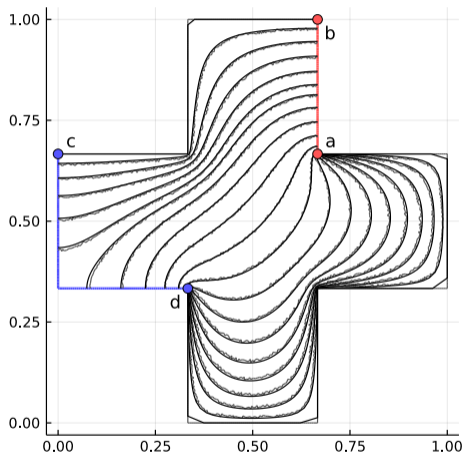
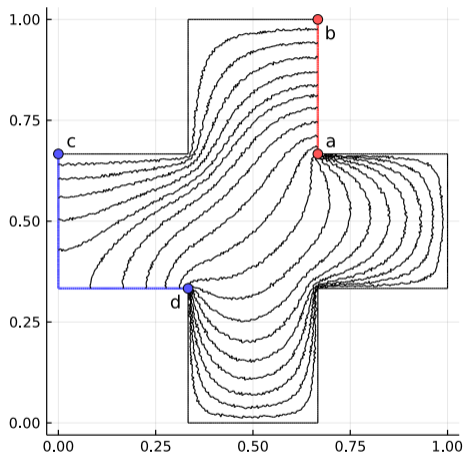
### Theorem

*Let  $(\Omega, A, B)$  be a simply connected domain with bdy arcs.*

*$(G_n, A_n, B_n)$  be approximating orthodiagonal maps*

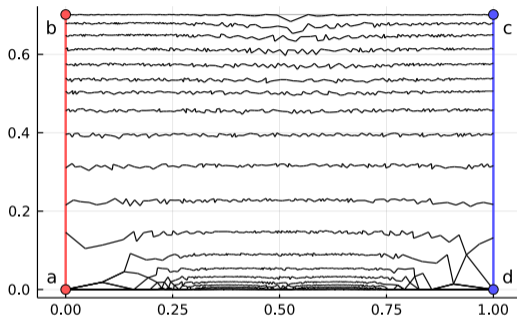
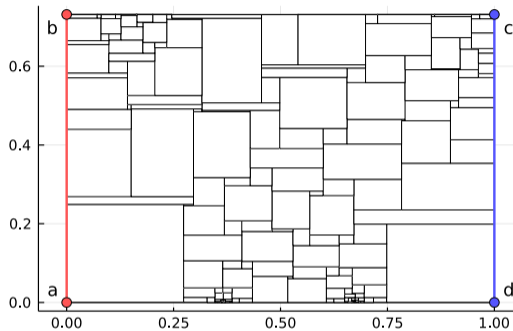
*Then the optimal pmfs  $\mu_n$  output by the algorithm converge to the “transverse” measure on the horizontal trajectories for  $\Omega$ .*

## Non-crossing curves



Non-crossing curves vs. level lines of conformal map

## Convergence of the measures



rectangle packing and its induced coordinates

## Theorem (Gurel-Gurevich, Jerison, Nachmias)

$\Omega$  is a bounded simply connected domain and  $g \in C^2(\mathbb{R}^2)$ . Given  $0 < \epsilon, \delta < \text{Diam}(\Omega)$ , let  $G$  be orthodiagonal map with max edge length  $\epsilon$  and Hausdorff dist at most  $\delta$  between  $\partial\Omega$  and  $\partial G$ . Let  $h_c \in C(\bar{\Omega})$  be the solution to the continuous Dirichlet problem with data  $g$ . Let  $h_d \in \mathbb{R}^{V^\bullet}$  be the solution to the discrete Dirichlet problem with data  $g|_{\partial V^\bullet}$ . Then

$$|h_d(x) - h_c(x)| \leq \frac{C \text{Diam}(\Omega)(C_1 + C_2\epsilon)}{\log^{1/2}(\text{Diam}(\Omega)/(\delta \wedge \epsilon))}$$

## Two flows on the primal graph from left to right

Idea from Gurel-Gurevich, Jerison, Nachmias *The Dirichlet problem for orthodiagonal maps*. Let  $q = [z, w, z', w']$

$$f(z, z') := (\sigma dh)(z, z') = \sigma(z, z') (h(z') - h(z))$$

$$\tilde{f}(z, z') := \tilde{h}(w') - \tilde{h}(w)$$

Then if  $f^\bullet := \sigma dh^\bullet$  is current flow, we have

$$f - f^\bullet \perp f^\bullet - \tilde{f}$$

in the inner product  $\langle f, g \rangle_r = \sum_e r(e) f(e) g(e)$ , ( $r = \sigma^{-1}$ )



## Orthogonality

### Lemma

If  $\text{Div}_g(x) = 0$  for  $x \in V \setminus (A \cup B)$ , and  $h = \sigma d\phi$  with  $\phi$  constant on  $A$  and  $B$ , then

$$\langle g, h \rangle_r = \text{Val}(g)(\phi(B) - \phi(A))$$

Let  $h = f - f^\bullet = \sigma d(h - h^\bullet) = \sigma d\phi$ . Then  $\phi(A) = \phi(B) = 0$ .

Need to check that if  $g = f^\bullet - \tilde{f}$ , is divergence-free for  $x \in V \setminus (A \cup B)$ . Enough To Show for  $\tilde{f}$ .

## Pythagorean Theorem

$$\mathcal{E}^\bullet(f - f^\bullet) + \mathcal{E}^\bullet(f^\bullet - \tilde{f}) = \mathcal{E}^\bullet(f - \tilde{f})$$

For instance in the case of the square.

$$\begin{aligned} f(z, z') - \tilde{f}(w, w') &= \sigma(z, z') (h(z') - h(z)) - (\tilde{h}(w') - \tilde{h}(w)) \\ &= \operatorname{Re}[\sigma(z, z')(z' - z)] - \operatorname{Im}(w' - w) = 0 \end{aligned}$$

Since  $w' - w = i\sigma(z', z)(z' - z)$  and  $\operatorname{Im} iZ = \operatorname{Re} Z$ .

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