

# Hamilton cycles in the random geometric graph

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#### Random graphs and related models

- Erdős-Rényi models:  $\mathcal{G}(n, p)$  and  $\mathcal{G}(n, m)$
- Variations: fixed degree sequence, regular graphs...
- Power-law degree sequence: inhomogeneous random graphs, preferential attachment, internet graph...
- Random boolean formulas
- Statistical mechanics: Ising model, Potts model
- Proximity graphs: Random geometric graphs, nearest neighbour graphs, Delaunay graphs, models of wireless networks...



#### Threshold functions



Example: existence of triangles



#### Threshold functions (sharp)



Example: giant component, connectedness, Hamilton cycles...



#### Random graph process

 Start with empty graph on *n* vertices; add edges one by one; end with the complete graph

$$\mathcal{G}_0, \mathcal{G}_1, \ldots, \mathcal{G}_m, \ldots, \mathcal{G}_{\binom{n}{2}}$$

- $\mathcal{G}_m$  is distributed like  $\mathcal{G}(n, m)$
- We look for "hitting time" properties



#### Wireless networks





#### Random geometric graph



(Gilbert 1961)

*n* vertices radius r = r(n)

 $n 
ightarrow \infty$ 

















#### no giant component yet





$$r \sim \sqrt{C/n}$$

#### giant component!





#### still disconnected!







$$r = \sqrt{\frac{\log n + O(1)}{\pi n}}$$









#### higher connectivity







 $\Theta(1/r)$ 

bad expansion



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#### Earlier results

#### Thm (Petit 2001)

The RGG with  $r = \sqrt{\omega(\log n)/n}$  has a.a.s. a Hamilton cycle.

#### Thm (Díaz, Mitsche & P.G. 2007)

For any  $\epsilon > 0$ , the RGG with  $r \ge (1 + \epsilon)\sqrt{\frac{\log n}{\pi n}}$  has a.a.s. a Hamilton cycle. (extension to general  $\ell_p$  norm)



#### Recent results

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#### Thm (Ballogh, Bollobás & Walters 2010)

Weaker analogue for the *k*-Nearest Neighbour Graph.

#### Thm (Krivelevich & Müller 2010)

Pancyclic  $\iff$  min. deg.  $\ge$  2 (a.a.s.)



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#### Thm (Müller, P.G. & Wormald 2010)

k/2 disjoint Hamilton cycles  $\iff$  min. deg.  $\ge k$  (a.a.s.) (extension to general dimension and  $\ell_p$  norm)



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#### a bit harder!



#### Open question

#### Are there always $\lfloor \frac{\delta(RGG)}{2} \rfloor$ edge disjoint Hamilton cycles?



## thank you!

