

From the KPZ equation to the directed landscape

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Random growth models and KPZ universality

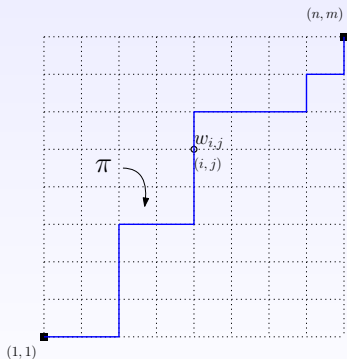
Outline

- Directed polymer and KPZ equation
- Main result
- Ideas of proof

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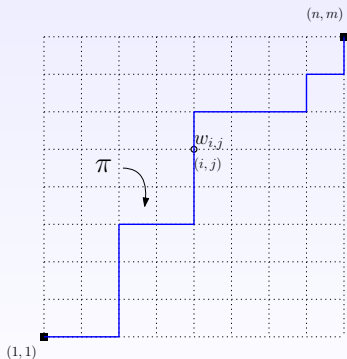


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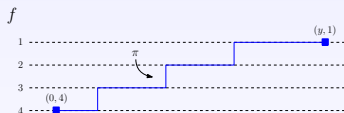
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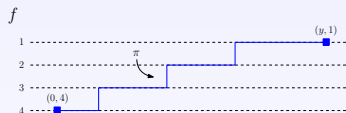


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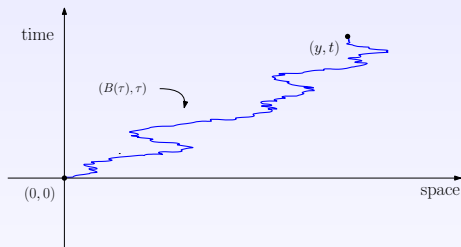


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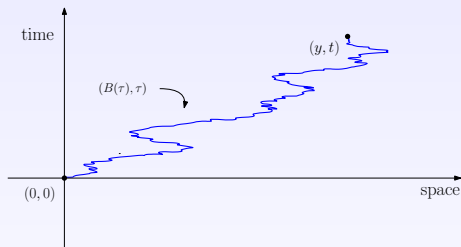
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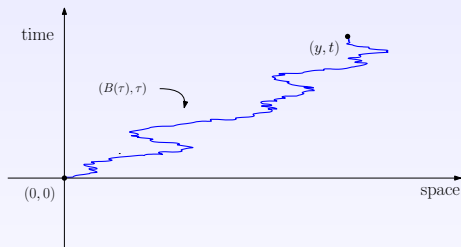
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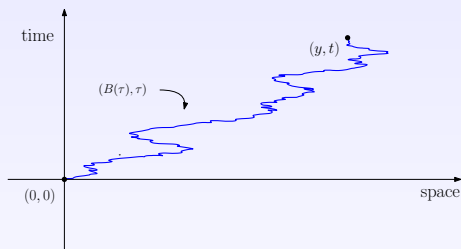
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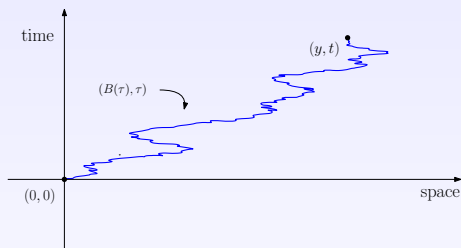


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For a wide class of initial data $f(y)$, $\mathcal{H}(t, y) \xrightarrow{1:2:3} \text{KPZ fixed point}$.

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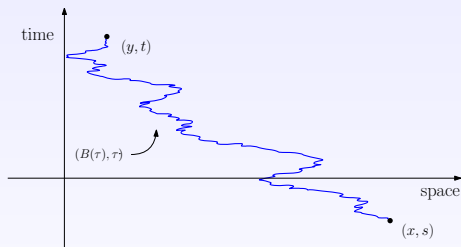
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Narrow wedge solutions



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$\mathcal{H}(t, y | s, x)$ form a random continuous function.

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Implication: **all initial value problems converge simultaneously!**

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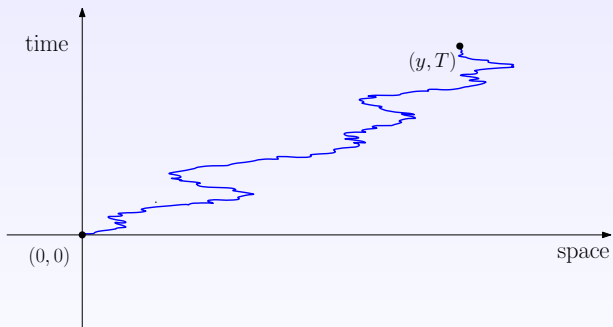
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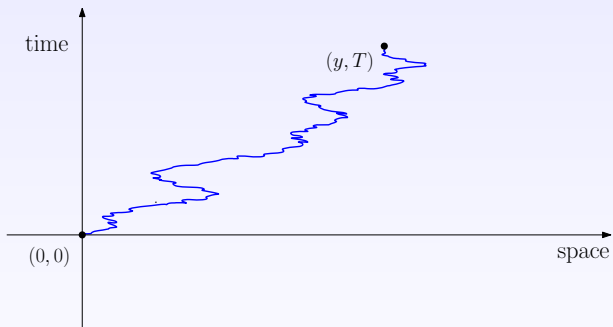
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KPZ sheet $\xrightarrow{1:2:3}$ *Airy sheet*.

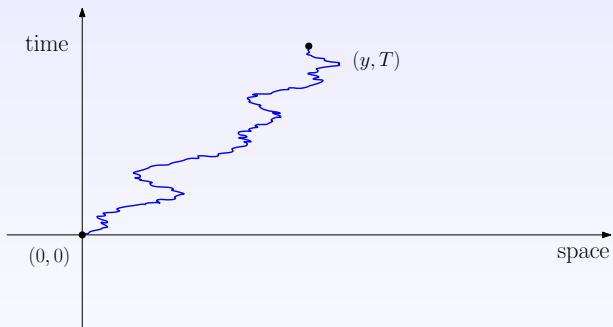
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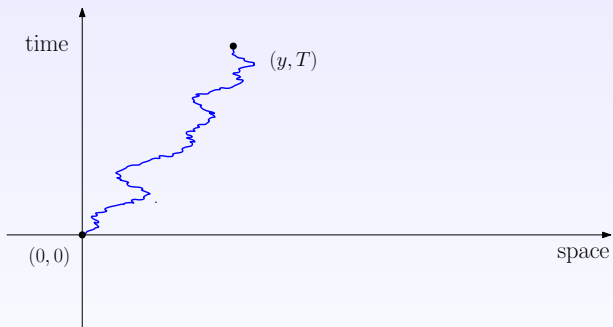
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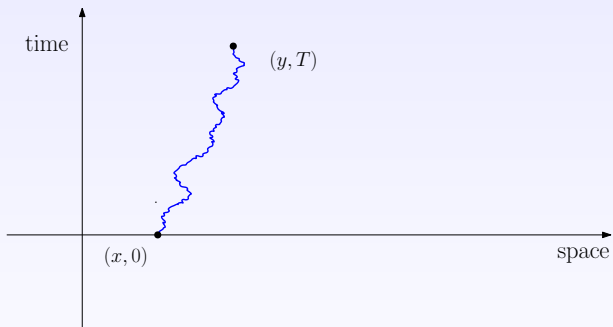
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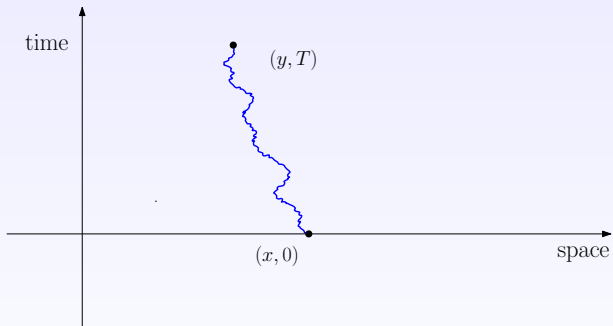
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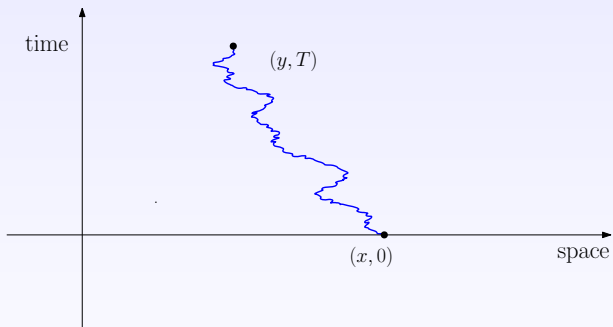
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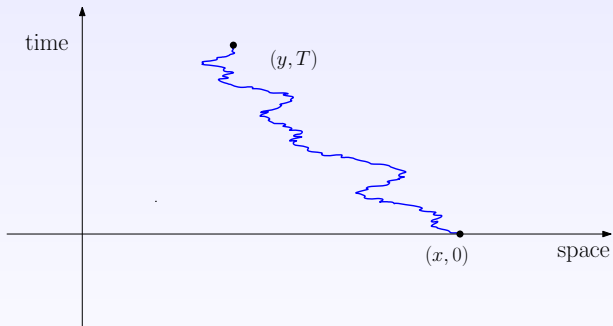
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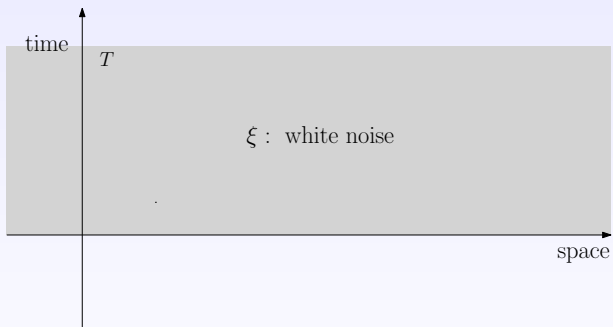
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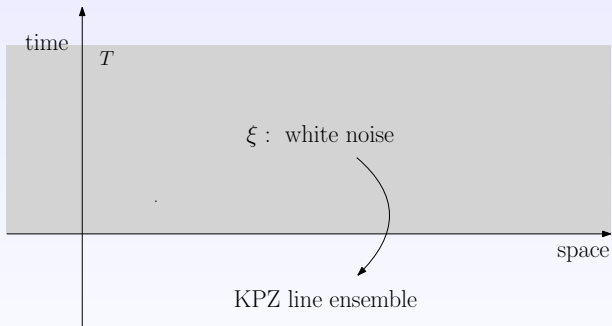
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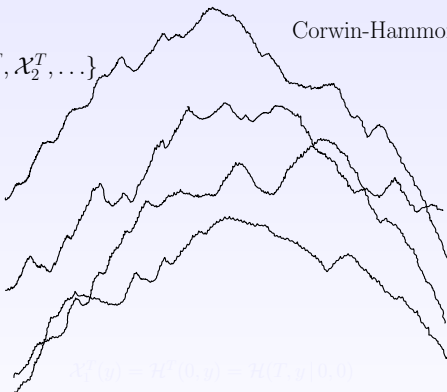
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KPZ line ensemble

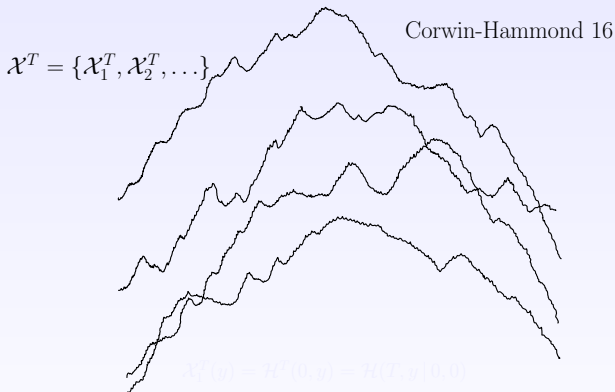
Corwin-Hammond 16

$$\mathcal{X}^T = \{\mathcal{X}_1^T, \mathcal{X}_2^T, \dots\}$$



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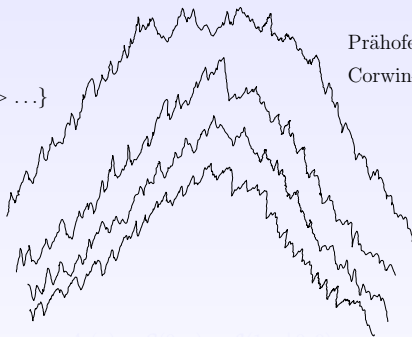


Theorem (QS 23, V 20, Dimitrov-Matetski 18, W. 22)

KPZ line ensemble $\xrightarrow{1:2:3}$ Airy line ensemble.

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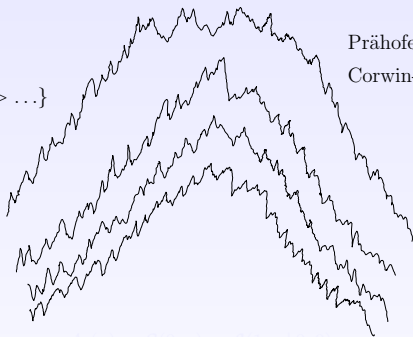
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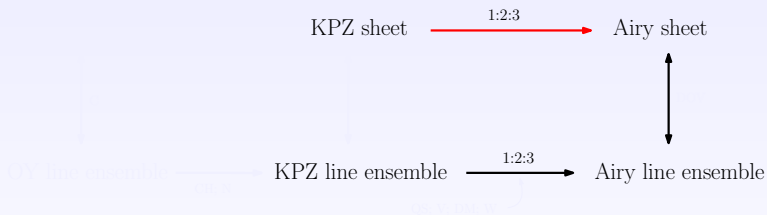
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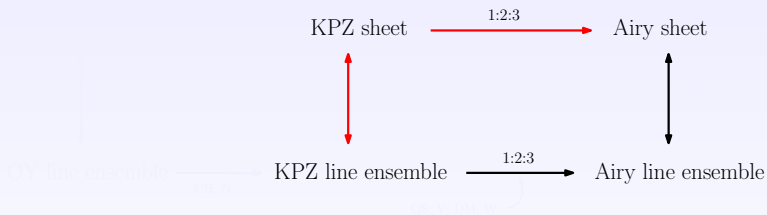
$$\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \mathcal{A}[(z_k, k) \xrightarrow{\infty} (y_2, 1)] - \mathcal{A}[(z_k, k) \xrightarrow{\infty} (y_1, 1)] = \mathcal{S}(x, y_2) - \mathcal{S}(x, y_1)$$

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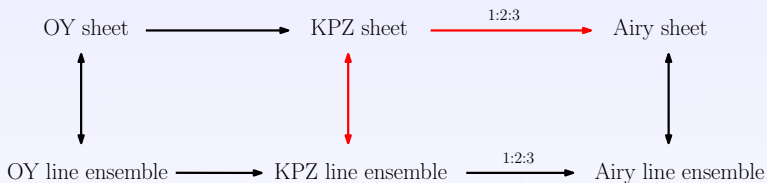
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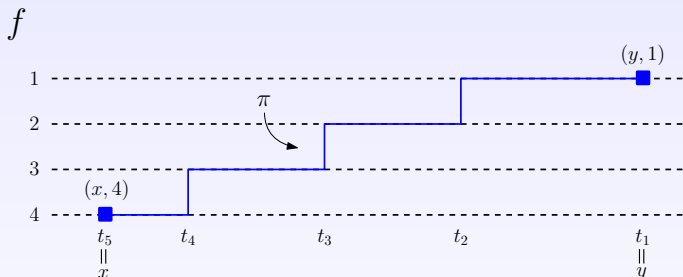
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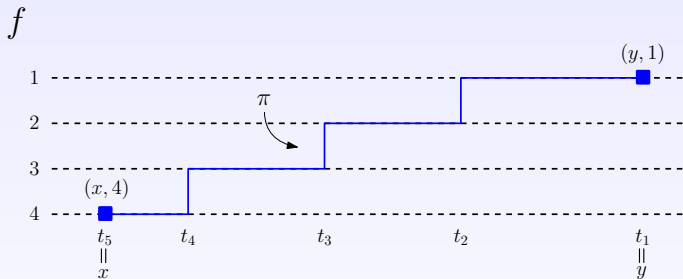


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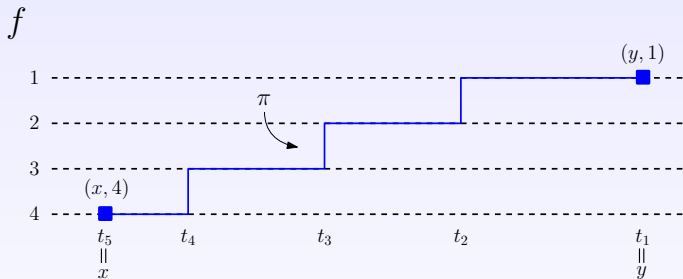
$$f(\pi) = (f_4(t_4) - f_4(t_5)) + (f_3(t_3) - f_3(t_4)) \\ + (f_2(t_2) - f_2(t_3)) + (f_1(t_1) - f_1(t_2))$$

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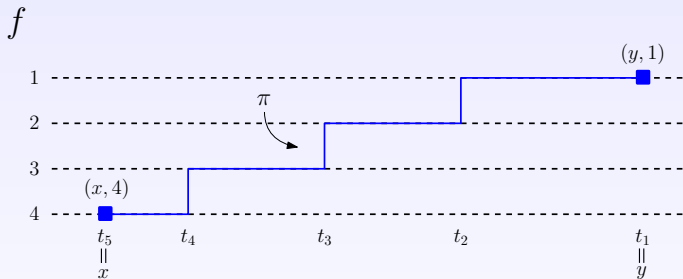
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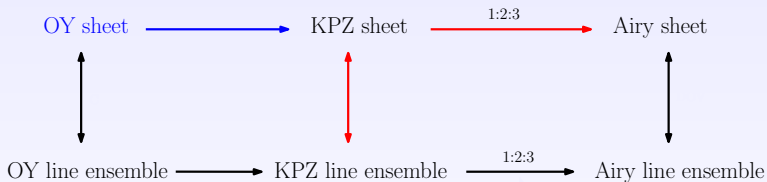
$$f[(x, 4) \xrightarrow{\beta} (y, 1)] = \beta^{-1} \log \int \exp(\beta f(\pi)) d\pi$$

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$$f[(x, 4) \xrightarrow{\infty} (y, 1)] = \max f(\pi)$$

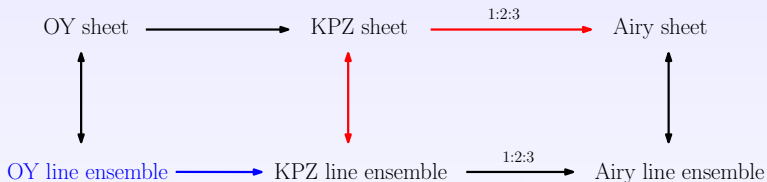
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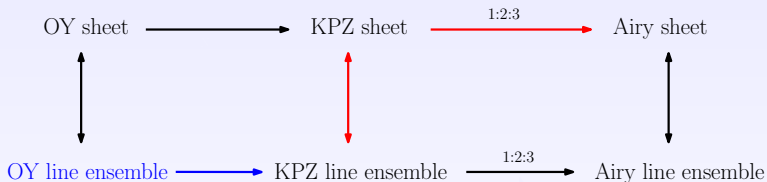
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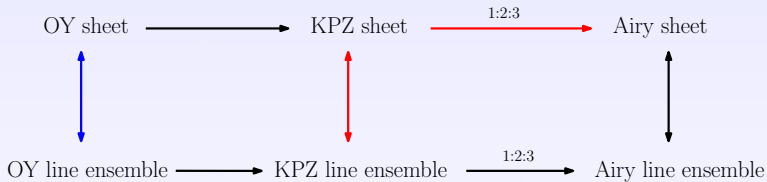


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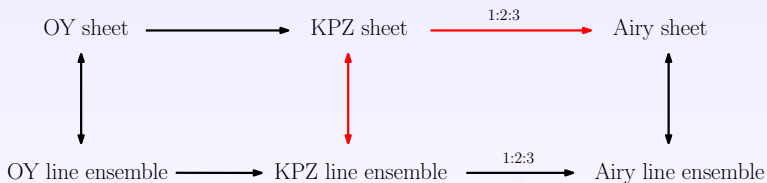


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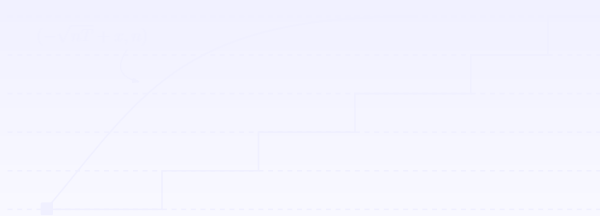
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Ideas of proof

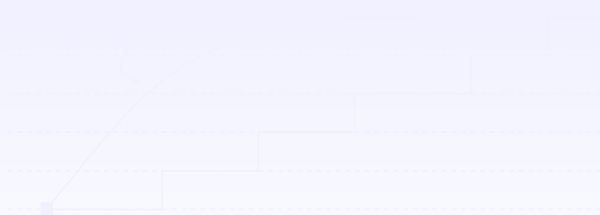
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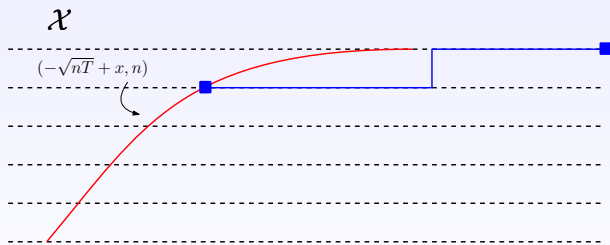
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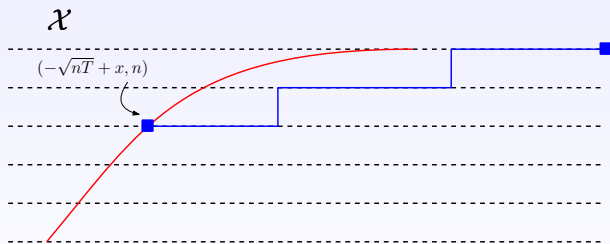
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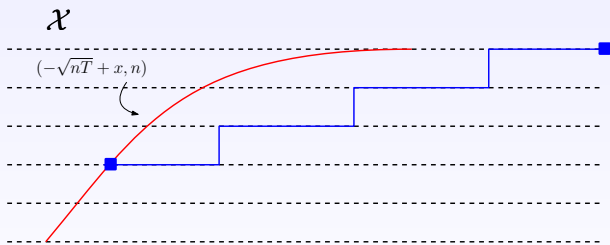
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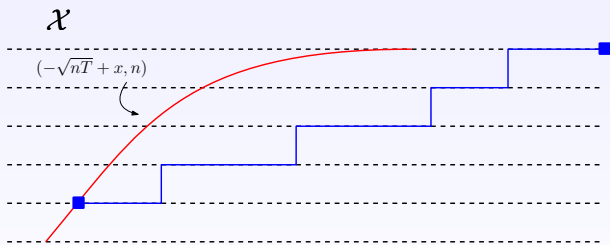
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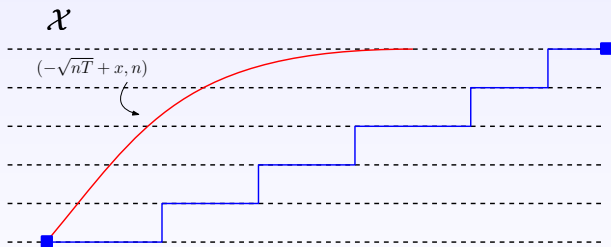
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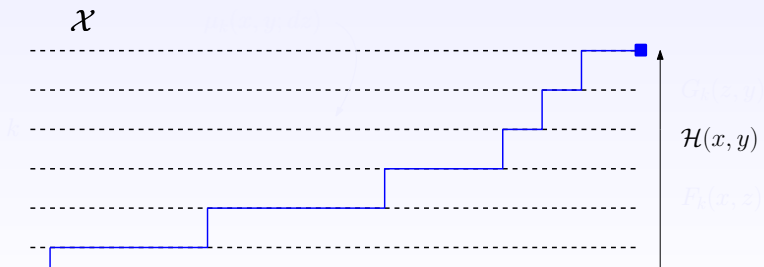
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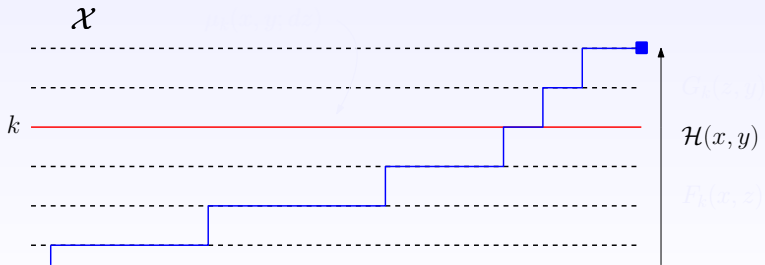
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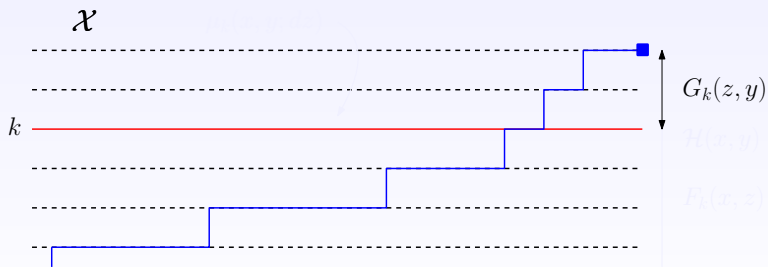
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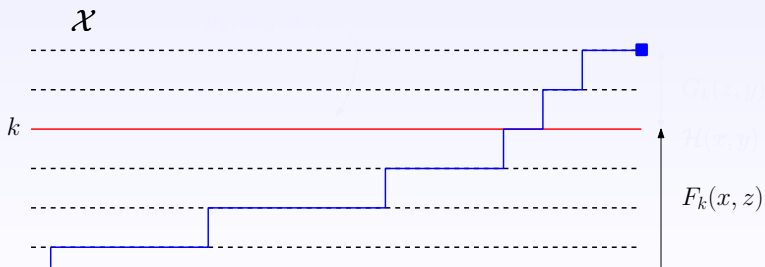
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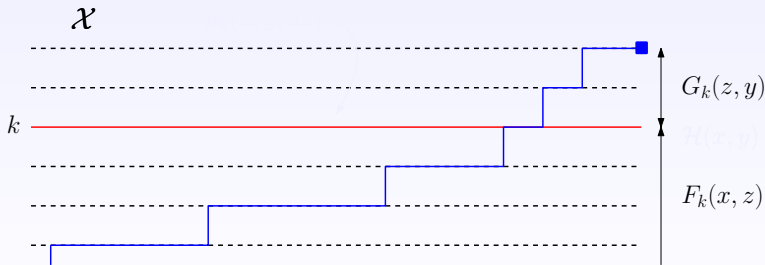
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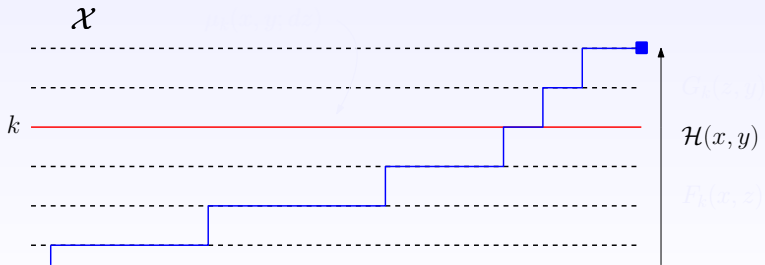
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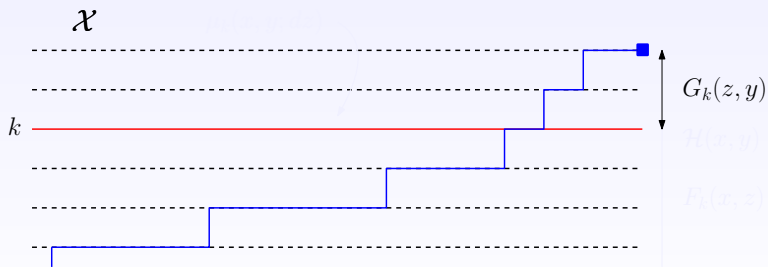
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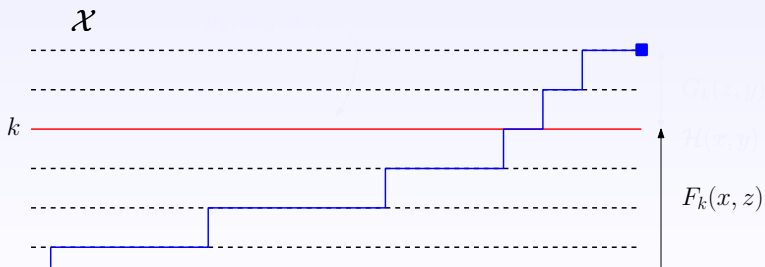
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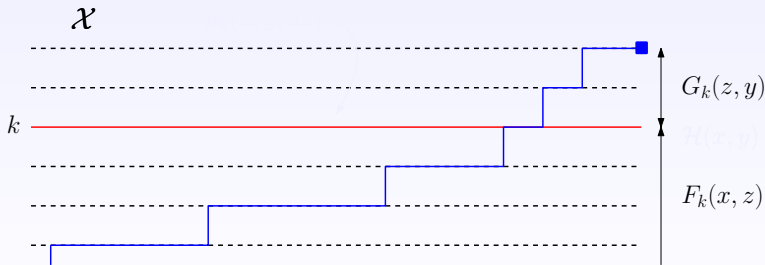
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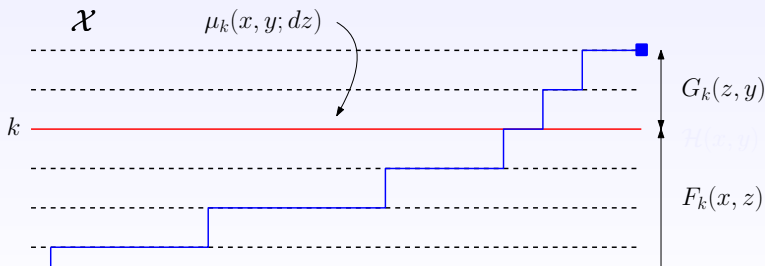
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Ideas

- Control the difference between $\mathcal{H}(x, y_2) - \mathcal{H}(x, y_1)$ and $G_k(z, y_2) - G_k(z, y_1)$ by μ_k .
- Determine μ_k by F_k .
- Compute the limit of F_k .

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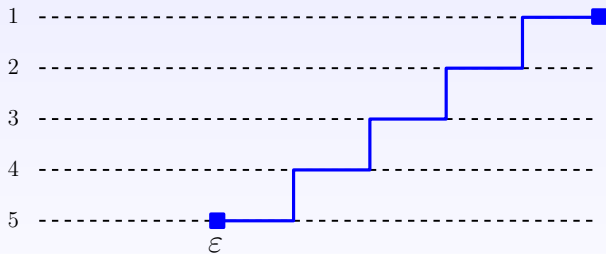
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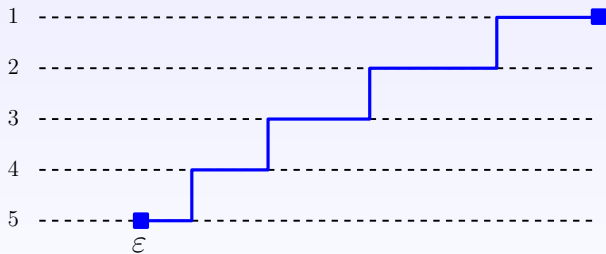
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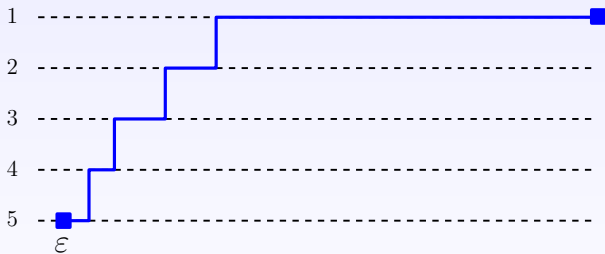
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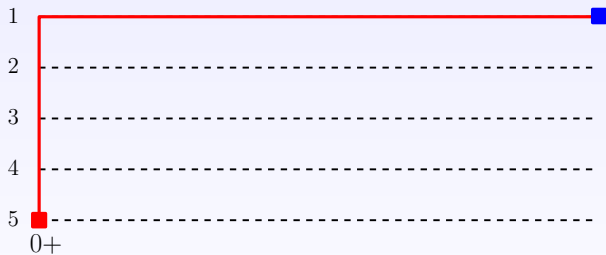
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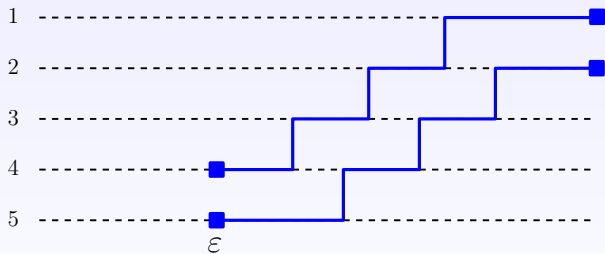
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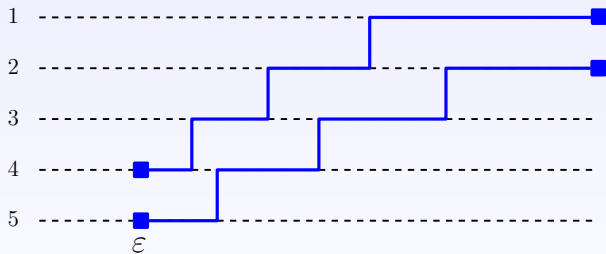
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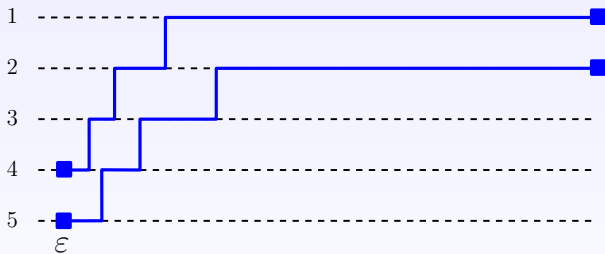
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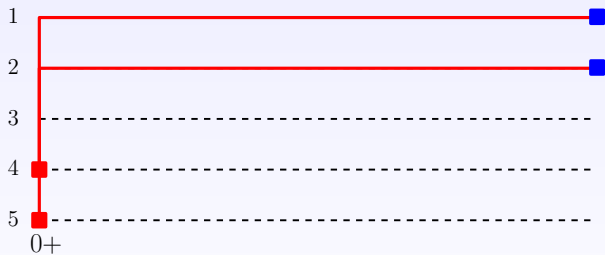
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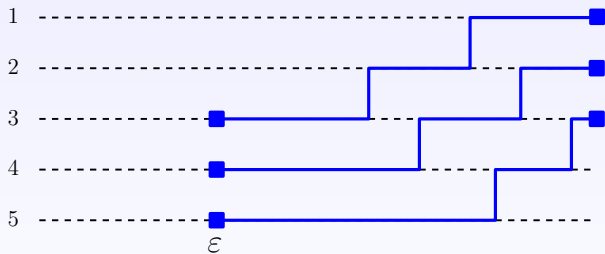
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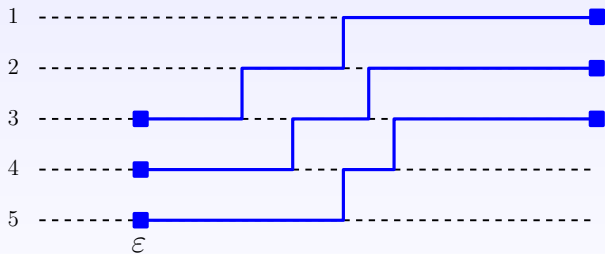
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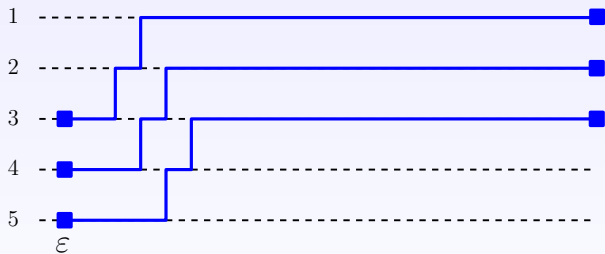
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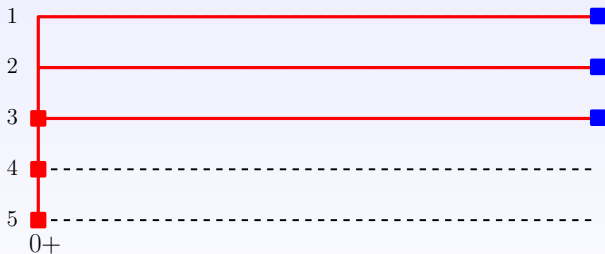
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