Infinite branches of the Directed Spanning Forest in Euclidean and hyperbolic spaces

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Figure: Simulation of the PPP N in the (Euclidean) square $[0; 10]^2$, with intensity $\lambda = 1$.

Simulation of the PPP N in H



Figure: Simulation of the PPP N in the half-plane H, with intensity $\lambda = 5$.

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Figure: (a) Dependence phenomenon within a single branch: how the previous steps may influence the next steps. (b) Dependence phenomenon between two branches: the overlap locally acts as a repulsive effect.

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The Directed Spanning Forest in the Hyperbolic space, Lucas Flammant, 67 pages, 2020. arXiv:1909.13731

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Thank you for your attention!



Simulation of the Radial Spanning Tree, represented in the Poincaré disk *D*, with colors.

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Infinite branches of the DSF