1120-05-77 David Galvin* (dgalvin1@nd.edu). Long-range influence in colorings of the cube.
Choose an independent set uniformly in the $d$-dimensional hypercube. The probability that a particular vertex, say $v_{1}=(1, \ldots, 1)$, is in the independent set is roughly $1 / 4$ (though this is far from obvious). We also know that there is long-range influence: if we condition on $(0, \ldots, 0)$ being in the independent set, then the probability of $v_{1}$ being in the set changes dramatically, dropping to nearly 0 if $d$ is odd and jumping to nearly $1 / 2$ if $d$ is even.

Similar long-range influence results can be established if "independent set" is replaced by "proper $q$-colouring". I'll discuss these results, and highlight a question relating to mixing time of Glauber dynamics for sampling proper $q$-colourings of the cube, which we can resolve for $q=3$ but remains open for $q>3$. Partly joint work with John Engbers. (Received February 12, 2016)

