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 $v_1 = (1, ..., 1)$, 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, ..., 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)