The Molchanov–Vainberg Laplacian

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Abstract

This is well known that the Green function, R(n-0), of the standard discrete Laplacian on the d-dimensional lattice exhibits a pathological behavior in dimension d > 2. In particular, the polynomial estimate $R(n-0) = O(|n|^{(d-1)/2})$ fails at level of energy 0 < |E| < 1-2/d. This fact complicates the study of the scattering theory of discrete Schrödinger operators. In this talk I will present an alternative to the standard discrete Laplacian suggested by Molchanov and Vainberg, for which the previous estimate holds for any E. If time permits, some applications to Anderson type Hamiltonians with sparse random potential will be discussed.