- $A \subset \mathbb{R}^p$ compact, infinite; $\dim_H A = d$
- ▶ $\omega_N \subset A$ discrete set $\longleftrightarrow \nu_N := \frac{1}{N} \sum_{x \in \omega_N} \delta_x$ associated measure
- ► $E_s(\omega_N) := \sum_{x \neq y \in \omega_N} |x y|^{-s} |s| s > d$ Riesz s-energy
- ▶ for A d-rectifiable: any sequence of minimizers $\{\tilde{\omega}_N : N \ge 1\}$ has asymptotics

$$\lim_{N \to \infty} \frac{E_s(\tilde{\omega}_N)}{N^{1+s/d}} = g_{s,d}(A)$$

• Conversely, if $\{\omega_N : N \ge 1\}$ has the right asymptotics of $E_s(\omega_N)/N^{1+s/d}$, it converges weak* to the Hausdorff measure

$$\nu_N \xrightarrow{*} \frac{\mathcal{H}_d}{\mathcal{H}_d(A)}$$

▶ on a self-similar fractal – no asymptotics for all minimizers ▶ but for $\underline{\omega}_N$, $N \in \underline{N}$ with

$$\lim_{\underline{N}\ni N\to\infty} \frac{E_s(\underline{\omega}_N)}{N^{1+s/d}} = \liminf_{N\to\infty} \frac{E_s(\underline{\omega}_N)}{N^{1+s/d}} =: \underline{g}_{s,d}(A)$$

still:

$$\underline{\nu}_N \stackrel{*}{\longrightarrow} \frac{\mathcal{H}_d}{\mathcal{H}_d(A)}$$

- $\blacktriangleright~\underline{\nu}$ also converges for rectifiableUfractal with separated union
- ▶ but apparently **breaks** for fractal Ufractal even with separation
- motivation: packing distance does not change for $N \in [2^p + 1, 2^{p+1}]$



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