Madeleine Leander: On the bunkbed conjecture

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We will study a problem on percolation on product graphs $\tilde{G} = G \times K_2$, where G is a finite graph and K_2 is the graph consisting of two vertices, $\{0,1\}$, and one edge connecting them. On \tilde{G} consider the percolation model with p the probability that an edge e exists, for all $e \in \tilde{G}$. All edges in \tilde{G} will exist independently of each other. We write $u \leftrightarrow v$ for the event "there is a path from u to v". The bunkbed conjecture states that for any bunkbed graph $\tilde{G} = G \times K_2$, corresponding to a finite graph G the following holds

$$P(u_0 \leftrightarrow v_0) \ge P(u_0 \leftrightarrow v_1),$$

for all $u, v \in V(G)$ and any probability p. We prove the bunkbed conjecture for some small classes of graphs.