# Bootstrap percolation: merging operations for polytopes<sup>1</sup>

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For all U supported on a half-space the conjecture holds.

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#### Theorem (H–Mezei'20)

The difficulty  $\alpha$  is computable, but NP-hard to determine.

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