1056-91-1917 Klay Kruczek* (kruczekk@wou.edu), Mathematics Department, 345 N. Monmouth Avenue, Monmouth, OR 97361, and Eric Sundberg. Potential-Based Strategies for Breaker for Maker-Breaker Tic-Tac-Toe on the Integer Lattice with Numerous Directions.
We consider a Tic-Tac-Toe game played on the $d$-dimensional integer lattice. The game that we investigate is a MakerBreaker version of Tic-Tac-Toe. In a Maker-Breaker game, the first player, Maker, only tries to occupy a winning line and the second player, Breaker, only tries to stop Maker from occupying a winning line. We consider the bounded number of directions game, in which we designate a finite set of direction-vectors $\mathcal{S} \subset \mathbb{Z}^{d}$ which determines the set of winning lines. We show, by using the Erdős-Selfridge theorem and a modification of a theorem by Beck about games played on almost-disjoint hypgergraphs, that for the special case when the coordinates of each direction-vector are bounded, i.e., when $\mathcal{S} \subset\left\{\vec{v}:\|\vec{v}\|_{\infty} \leq k\right\}$, Breaker can win this game if the length of each winning line is on the order of $d^{2} \lg (d k)$ and $d^{2} \lg (k)$, respectively. (Received September 22, 2009)

