

Convolutions and fluctuations:
free, finite, quantized.

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(=they become deterministic) as $\beta \rightarrow \infty$:

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Conjecture. Same is true for any fixed $\beta > 0$.

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Semi-classical limit degenerates representations of a Lie group into orbital measures on its Lie algebra

$$T_\lambda \otimes T_\nu \longrightarrow UAU^* + VBV^*$$

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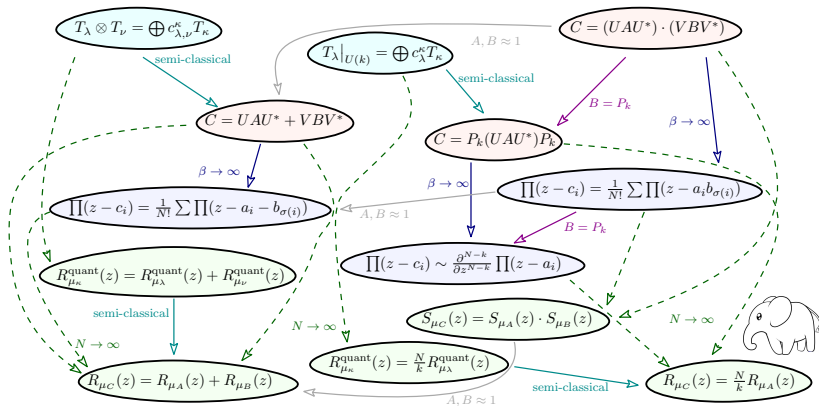
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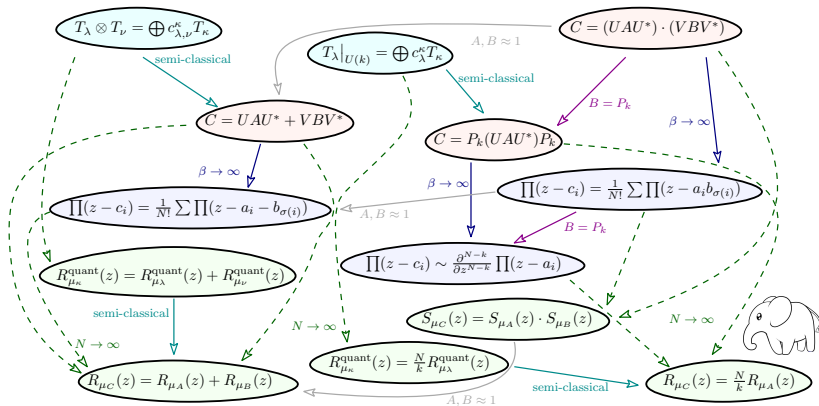
Restrictions to smaller subgroups lead to **projection**.

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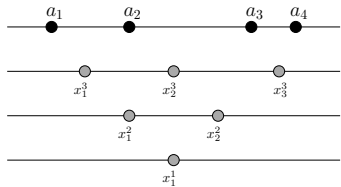
We present a **unifying framework** for the operations.

Matrix corners

The most explicit case.

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Theorem. (Gelfand–Naimark–50s; Baryshnikov, Neretin – 00s)
With $(x_1^N, \dots, x_N^N) = (a_1, \dots, a_N)$, the joint law of particles is

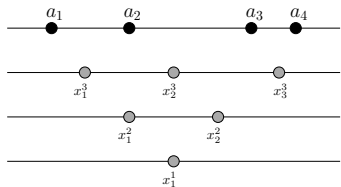
$$\prod_{k=1}^{N-1} \prod_{1 \leq i < j \leq k} (x_i^k - x_j^k)^{2-\beta} \prod_{a=1}^k \prod_{b=1}^{k+1} |x_a^k - x_b^{k+1}|^{\beta/2-1}$$

- A basis of extension from $\beta = 1, 2, 4$ to **general** $\beta > 0$.
- Consistent with (Hermite/Laguerre/Jacobi) β log-gases

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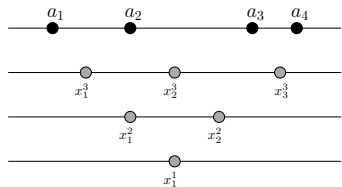
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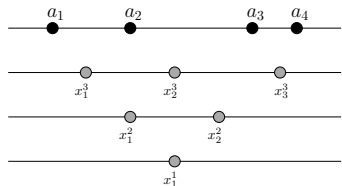
Diagonal matrix elements at $\beta = 1, 2, 4$

Proposition. $\mathcal{B}_{a_1, \dots, a_N}(z_1, \dots, z_N)$ is **symmetric** in z_1, \dots, z_N .

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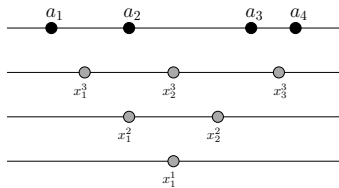
Laplace transform for full matrix at $\beta = 1, 2, 4$.

$$\mathcal{B}_{a_1, \dots, a_N}(z_1, \dots, z_N) = \mathbb{E} \exp [\text{Trace}(UAU^* Z)], \quad Z \sim \{z_i\} \text{ eigenvalues}$$

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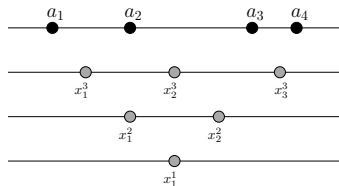
(Harish Chandra; Itzykson–Zuber) **At $\beta = 2$:**

$$\mathcal{B}_{a_1, \dots, a_N}(z_1, \dots, z_N) \sim \frac{\det[\exp(a_i z_j)]_{i,j=1}^N}{\prod_{i < j} (a_i - a_j)(z_i - z_j)}$$

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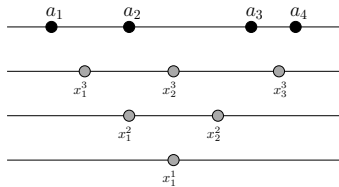
$\left[\mathcal{B}_{a_1, \dots, a_N}(z_1, \dots, z_N) \cdot \prod_{i < j} (z_i - z_j)^{\beta/2} \right]$ is an eigenfunction of rational **Calogero–Sutherland Hamiltonian** for any $\beta > 0$

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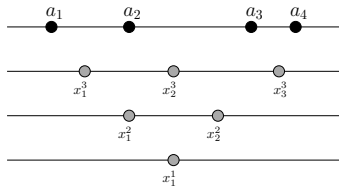
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Equivalently, we have a family of **observables**

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Any $\beta > 0$! **Caveat:** positivity in \mathbb{E} is **open** outside $\beta = 1, 2, 4$.

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These all are degenerations of **Macdonald polynomials**.

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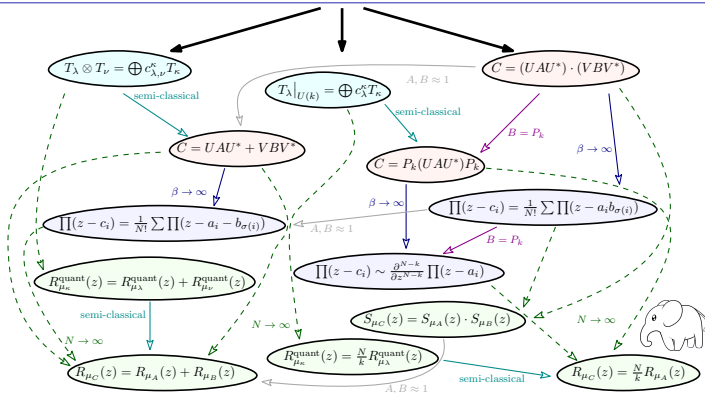
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Conjecture. $c_{\lambda, \nu}^{\kappa} \geq 0$ whenever $0 < q, t < 1$.

Known cases: $q = t$; $q = 0$; $t = 0$; $q \rightarrow 1, t = q^{\beta/2}, \beta = 1, 2, 4$.

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$\sum_{\kappa} c_{\lambda, \nu}^{\kappa} = 1$ and they define a distribution on κ 's.
Everything we saw so far is a limit of this distribution.

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Our analysis of $c_{\lambda, \nu}^{\kappa}$ -random κ :

1. Direct combinatorial limits of Macdonald polynomials.
2. Applying difference/differential operators in x_1, \dots, x_N to the defining identity.
3. Contour integral expressions for $\frac{P_\lambda(x_1, 1, t, \dots, t^{N-2})}{P_\lambda(1, t, \dots, t^{N-1})}$.

Then $N \rightarrow \infty$ analysis of the most general Macdonald case is **open**.

Beyond the Law of Large Numbers

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Information is lost by considering deterministic limits of **random** κ .

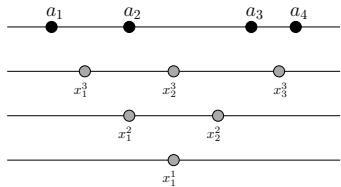
What can be recovered?

Matrix corners again

Back to the most explicit case.

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With $(x_1^N, \dots, x_N^N) = (a_1, \dots, a_N)$, the joint law of particles is

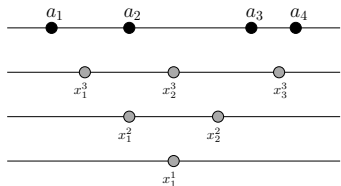
$$\prod_{k=1}^{N-1} \prod_{1 \leq i < j \leq k} (x_i^k - x_j^k)^{2-\beta} \prod_{a=1}^k \prod_{b=1}^{k+1} |x_a^k - x_b^{k+1}|^{\beta/2-1}$$

What is happening as $\beta \rightarrow \infty$?

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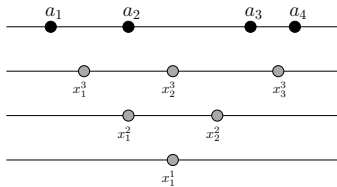
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Proposition. The optimal configuration is given by

$$\prod_{i=1}^k (z - \bar{x}_i^k) \sim \frac{\partial^{N-k}}{\partial z^{N-k}} \prod_{j=1}^N (z - a_j), \quad k = 1, 2, \dots, N.$$

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Proposition. $\xi_j^i := \lim_{\beta \rightarrow \infty} \sqrt{\beta}(x_j^i - \bar{x}_j^i)$ has Gaussian density

$$\exp \left(\sum_{k=1}^{N-1} \left[\sum_{1 \leq i < j \leq k} \frac{(\xi_i^k - \xi_j^k)^2}{2(x_i^k - x_j^k)^2} - \sum_{a=1}^k \sum_{b=1}^{k+1} \frac{(\xi_a^k - \xi_b^{k+1})^2}{4(x_a^k - x_b^{k+1})^2} \right] \right).$$

A version of **discrete Gaussian Free Field**.

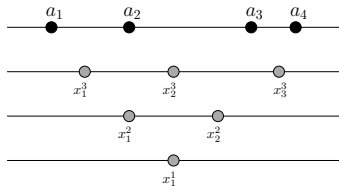
Central Limit Theorems for fluctuations

- $\lim_{\beta \rightarrow \infty} [C = P_k(UAU^*)P_k]$. (Gorin–Marcus–17): **discrete GFF**
- $\lim_{\beta \rightarrow \infty} [C = (UAU^*)(+ \text{ or } \cdot)(VBV^*)]$. **Open problem**
- $\lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} \left[T_\lambda \Big|_{U(k)} = \bigoplus_{\kappa} c_{\lambda}^{\kappa} T_{\kappa} \right]$. (Petrov–12, Bufetov–Gorin–15):
Fluctuations are given by **Gaussian Free Field** (= covariance given by the Green function of the Laplace operator in suitable complex structure); bijection with random lozenge tilings.
- $\lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} [C = P_k(UAU^*)P_k]$. Same methods and results apply.
- $\lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} [C = UAU^* + VBV^*]$. (Collins–Mingo–Sniady–Speicher–04)
Second order freeness. Covariance similar to GFF (??).
- $\lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} [C = (UAU^*) \cdot (VBV^*)]$. (Vasilchuk–16) Similar (??).
- Conjecture:** The last 3 answers extend to general $\beta > 0$.
- $\lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} \left[T_\lambda \otimes T_\nu = \bigoplus_{\kappa} c_{\lambda, \nu}^{\kappa} T_{\kappa} \right]$. (Bufetov–Gorin–15) CLT with covariance similar to GFF. **Conceptual explanation?**

The simplest open problem

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Fix **arbitrary** $\beta > 0$ and send $N \rightarrow \infty$

Conjecture. The Law of Large Numbers is β -independent.

Conjecture. The Central Limit Theorem as $N \rightarrow \infty$ is β -independent after rescaling by $\sqrt{\beta}$.

Difficulty: Negative powers in the interaction.

Summary

- Operations on matrices and representations possess Laws of Large Numbers as $N \rightarrow \infty$ or $\beta \rightarrow \infty$ leading to various **convolutions**.
- Fluctuations are described by Gaussian fields. Whenever formula-less identification is made, it is **GFF**.
- Macdonald polynomials multiplication** is the mother of all.
- Many **open** questions remain!

