

# Current Fluctuations in the Open Exclusion Process

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# Introduction

The statistical mechanics of a system at thermal equilibrium is encoded in the **Boltzmann-Gibbs canonical law**:

$$P_{\text{eq}}(\mathcal{C}) = \frac{e^{-E(\mathcal{C})/kT}}{Z}$$

the **Partition Function  $Z$**  being related to the Thermodynamic **Free Energy  $F$** :

$$F = -kT \text{Log } Z$$

This provides us with a **well-defined prescription** to analyze systems *at equilibrium*:

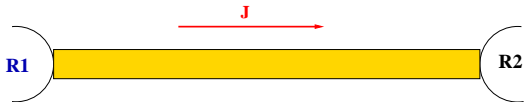
- (i) Observables are mean values w.r.t. the **canonical measure**.
- (ii) Statistical Mechanics predicts **fluctuations** (typically Gaussian) that are out of reach of Classical Thermodynamics.

# Systems far from equilibrium

No fundamental theory is yet available.

- What are the **relevant macroscopic parameters**?
- Which **functions** describe the state of a system?
- Do **Universal Laws** exist? Can one define Universality Classes?
- Can one postulate a general form for the **microscopic measure**?
- What do the **fluctuations** look like ('non-gaussianity')?

Example: Stationary driven systems in contact with reservoirs.



# Rare Events and Large Deviations

Let  $\epsilon_1, \dots, \epsilon_N$  be  $N$  independent binary variables,  $\epsilon_k = \pm 1$ , with probability  $p$  (resp.  $q = 1 - p$ ). Their sum is denoted by  $S_N = \sum_1^N \epsilon_k$ .

- The **Law of Large Numbers** implies that  $S_N/N \rightarrow p - q$  a.s.
- The **Central Limit Theorem** implies that  $[S_N - N(p - q)]/\sqrt{N}$  converges towards a Gaussian Law.

One can show that for  $-1 < r < 1$ , in the large  $N$  limit,

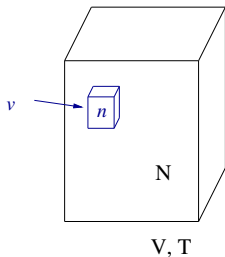
$$\Pr\left(\frac{S_N}{N} = r\right) \sim e^{-N\Phi(r)}$$

where the positive function  $\Phi(r)$  vanishes for  $r = (p - q)$ .

The function  $\Phi(r)$  is a **Large Deviation Function**: it encodes the probability of rare events.

$$\Phi(r) = \frac{1+r}{2} \ln\left(\frac{1+r}{2p}\right) + \frac{1-r}{2} \ln\left(\frac{1-r}{2q}\right)$$

# Density fluctuations in a gas



$$\text{Mean Density } \rho_0 = \frac{N}{V}$$

$$\text{In a volume } v \text{ s. t. } 1 \ll v \ll V$$
$$\left\langle \frac{n}{v} \right\rangle = \rho_0$$

The local density varies around  $\rho_0$ . Typical fluctuations scale as  $\sqrt{v/V}$ .

The probability of observing large fluctuations is given by

$$\Pr\left(\frac{n}{v} = \rho\right) \sim e^{-v\Phi(\rho)} \text{ with } \Phi(\rho_0) = 0$$

# Thermodynamic Free Energy as a L. D. F.

The Large Deviation Function for density fluctuations is given by

$$\Phi(\rho) = f(\rho, T) - f(\rho_0, T) - (\rho - \rho_0) \frac{\partial f}{\partial \rho_0}$$

where  $f = -\log Z(\rho, T)$  is the *free energy per unit volume* in units of  $kT$ .

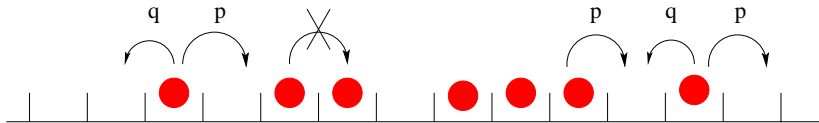
The Free Energy of Thermodynamics can be viewed as a Large Deviation Function

Conversely, large deviation functions *may* play the role of potentials in non-equilibrium statistical mechanics.

Large deviation functions obey remarkable identities that remain valid far from equilibrium: *Fluctuation Theorem of Gallavotti and Cohen*.

In the vicinity of equilibrium the Fluctuation Theorem yields the fluctuation-dissipation relation (Einstein), Onsager's relations and linear response theory (Kubo).

# Classical Transport in 1d: ASEP



**Asymmetric Exclusion Process.** A paradigm for non-equilibrium Statistical Mechanics.

- **EXCLUSION:** Hard core-interaction; at most 1 particle per site.
- **ASYMMETRIC:** External driving; breaks detailed-balance
- **PROCESS:** Stochastic Markovian dynamics; no Hamiltonian.

The probability  $P_t(\mathcal{C})$  to find the system in the microscopic configuration  $\mathcal{C}$  at time  $t$  satisfies

$$\frac{dP_t(\mathcal{C})}{dt} = MP_t(\mathcal{C})$$

where the Markov Matrix  $M$  encodes the transitions rates amongst configurations.

## ORIGINS

- Interacting Brownian Processes (Spitzer, Harris, Liggett).
- Driven diffusive systems (Katz, Lebowitz and Spohn).
- Transport of Macromolecules through thin vessels.  
Motion of RNA templates.
- Hopping conductivity in solid electrolytes.
- Directed Polymers in random media. Reptation models.

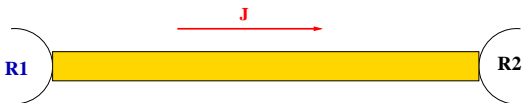
## APPLICATIONS

- Traffic flow.
- Sequence matching.
- Brownian motors.



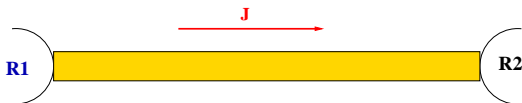
# Total Current transported through an Open System

A paradigm of a non-equilibrium system

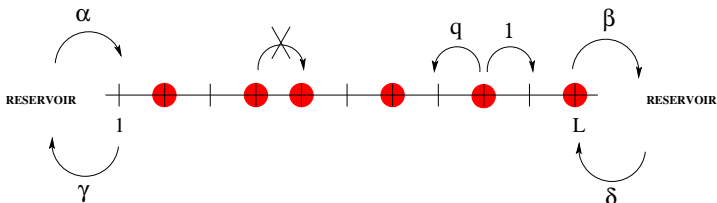


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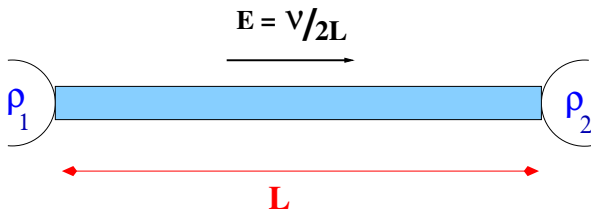
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The asymmetric exclusion model with open boundaries



# The Hydrodynamic Limit



Starting from the microscopic level, define local density  $\rho(x, t)$  and current  $j(x, t)$  with macroscopic space-time variables  $x = i/L, t = s/L^2$  (diffusive scaling).

The typical evolution of the system is given by the hydrodynamic behaviour:

$$\partial_t \rho = \frac{1}{2} \nabla^2 \rho - \nu \nabla \sigma(\rho) \quad \text{with} \quad \sigma(\rho) = \rho(1 - \rho)$$

(Lebowitz, Spohn, Varadhan)

# Large Deviations at the Hydrodynamic Level

What is the probability to observe an **atypical** current  $j(x, t)$  and the corresponding density profile  $\rho(x, t)$  during  $0 \leq s \leq L^2 T$ ?

$$\Pr\{j(x, t), \rho(x, t)\} \sim e^{-L\mathcal{I}(j, \rho)}$$

where the Large-Deviation functional is given by **macroscopic fluctuation theory** (Jona-Lasinio et al.)

$$\mathcal{I}(j, \rho) = \int_0^T dt \int_0^1 dx \frac{(j - v\sigma(\rho) + \frac{1}{2}\nabla\rho)^2}{\sigma(\rho)}$$

with the **constraint**:  $\partial_t \rho = -\nabla \cdot j$

This leads to a variational procedure to control a deviation of the density and of the associated current: **an optimal path problem**.

- A general framework but the corresponding Euler-Lagrange equations can not be solved in general.
- For a non-vanishing external field, the M. F. T. does not apply (Jensen-Varadhan Large Deviation Theory).

# Large Deviations: Profile vs Current

The probability of observing an **atypical density profile in the steady state** was calculated **starting from the exact microscopic solution** (B. Derrida, J. Lebowitz E. Speer, 2002). For the symmetric case  $\nu = 0$ , the Large Deviation Functional is given by

$$\mathcal{F}(\{\rho(x)\}) = \int_0^1 dx \left( B(\rho(x), F(x)) + \log \frac{F'(x)}{\rho_2 - \rho_1} \right)$$

where  $B(u, v) = (1 - u) \log \frac{1-u}{1-v} + u \log \frac{u}{v}$  and  $F(x)$  satisfies

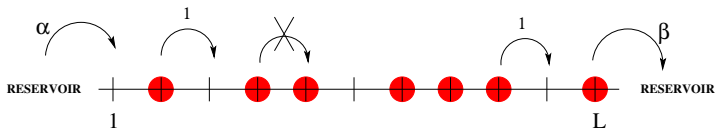
$$F (F'^2 + (1 - F)F'') = F'^2 \rho \quad \text{with} \quad F(0) = \rho_1 \text{ and } F(1) = \rho_2 .$$

**Our aim is to study the statistics of the current and its large deviations starting from the microscopic model.**

# 1. Total Current Fluctuations: The TASEP case

# The Matrix Ansatz (DEHP, 1993)

The **totally** asymmetric exclusion model with open boundaries



The stationary probability of a configuration  $\mathcal{C}$  is given by

$$P(\mathcal{C}) = \frac{1}{Z_L} \langle \alpha | \prod_{i=1}^L (\tau_i D + (1 - \tau_i) E) | \beta \rangle.$$

where  $\tau_i = 1$  (or 0) if the site  $i$  is occupied (or empty).

The normalization constant is  $Z_L = \langle \alpha | (D + E)^L | \beta \rangle$

The operators  $D$  and  $E$ , the vectors  $\langle \alpha |$  and  $| \beta \rangle$  satisfy

$$\begin{aligned} D E &= D + E \\ D | \beta \rangle &= \frac{1}{\beta} | \beta \rangle \quad \text{and} \quad \langle \alpha | E = \frac{1}{\alpha} \langle \alpha | \end{aligned}$$

# Representations of the quadratic algebra

The algebra encodes combinatorial recursion relations between systems of different sizes.

The matrices  $D$  and  $E$  commute whenever they are finite-dimensional:

$$(D - 1)(E - 1) = 1.$$

**Infinite dimensional Representation:**

$$D = 1 + d \text{ where } d = \text{right-shift.}$$

$$E = 1 + e \text{ where } e = \text{left-shift.}$$

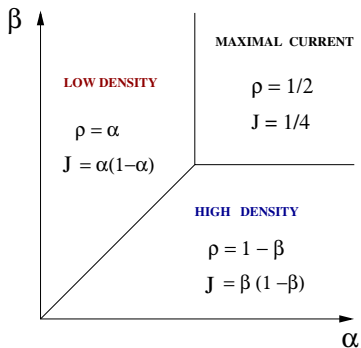
$$D = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & \dots \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 & \dots \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & \dots \\ & & & \ddots & \ddots \end{pmatrix} \quad \text{and} \quad E = D^\dagger = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & \dots \\ 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & \dots \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 & \dots \\ & & & \ddots & \ddots \end{pmatrix}$$

We also have  $\langle \alpha | = (1, a, a^2, a^3 \dots)$  and  $|\beta\rangle = (1, b, b^2, b^3 \dots)$  with  $a = (1 - \alpha)/\alpha$  and  $b = (1 - \beta)/\beta$ .



# Phase Diagram

The matrix Ansatz allows one to calculate **Stationary State Properties** (currents, correlations, fluctuations) and to derive the **Phase Diagram** in the infinite size limit.



# The Total Current

Let  $Y_t$  be the TOTAL NUMBER OF PARTICLES (time-integrated current) that have entered the system between 0 and  $t$  (from the left reservoir).

When a particle **enters** the system:

$$Y_t = Y_t + 1$$

- **Expectation value:**  $\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\langle Y_t \rangle}{t} = J(\alpha, \beta, L) = \frac{Z_{L-1}}{Z_L}$   
The observable  $J(\alpha, \beta, L)$  represents the **average-current** in the stationary state. It can be calculated by the steady-state matrix Ansatz.
- **Variance:**  $\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\langle Y_t^2 \rangle - \langle Y_t \rangle^2}{t} = \Delta(\alpha, \beta, L)$   
The quantity  $\Delta(\alpha, \beta, L)$  represents the **fluctuations** of the total current. It does not depend only on the stationary measure.
- **Cumulant Generating Function:** For  $t \rightarrow \infty$ , it can be proved that

$$\langle e^{\mu Y_t} \rangle \simeq e^{E(\mu)t}$$

$E(\mu)$  encodes the **statistical properties** of the total current.

# Large Deviations of the Current

The **Large-Deviation Function**  $\Phi(j)$  of the total current is defined as

$$P\left(\frac{Y_t}{t} = j\right) \sim e^{-t\Phi(j)}$$

Using this asymptotic behaviour of the large-time PDF, one can evaluate the average of  $e^{\mu Y_t}$ :

$$\langle \exp(\mu Y_t) \rangle \simeq \int dj e^{\mu t j} e^{-t\Phi(j)}$$

Hence, by the saddle-point method, we obtain that the Large-Deviation Function and the Cumulant Generating Function  $E(\mu)$  are related by a *Legendre transform*:

$$E(\mu) = \max_j (\mu j - \Phi(j))$$

# Current Statistics: Mathematical Framework

Let  $P_t(\mathcal{C}, Y)$  be the **joint probability** of being at time  $t$  in configuration  $\mathcal{C}$  with  $Y_t = Y$ . The time evolution of this joint probability can be deduced from the original Markov equation, by **splitting** the Markov operator

$$M = M_0 + M_+ + M_-$$

- $M_0$  corresponds to transitions that **do not modify** the value of  $Y$ .
- $M_+$  are transitions that **increment**  $Y$  by 1: a particle enters the system from the left reservoir.
- $M_-$  encodes rates in which  $Y$  **decreases** by 1, if a particle exits the system from the left reservoir (does not happen in the simplest TASEP case).

The **Laplace transform** of  $P_t(\mathcal{C}, Y)$  with respect to  $Y$  is defined as

$$\hat{P}_t(\mathcal{C}, \mu) = \sum_Y e^{\mu Y} P_t(\mathcal{C}, Y).$$

It satisfies an equation that can be derived from the fundamental Markov equation of the dynamics.

The Laplace transform  $\hat{P}_t(\mathcal{C}, \mu)$  satisfies a dynamical equation governed by the **deformation** of the Markov Matrix  $M$ , obtained by adding a jump-counting *fugacity*  $\mu$ :

$$\frac{d\hat{P}_t}{dt} = M(\mu)\hat{P}_t$$

with

$$M(\mu) = M_0 + e^\mu M_+ + e^{-\mu} M_-$$

In the long time limit,  $t \rightarrow \infty$ , this proves the asymptotic behaviour  $\langle e^{\mu Y_t} \rangle \simeq e^{E(\mu)t}$  where the cumulant-generating function  $E(\mu)$  is given by the **eigenvalue** of  $M(\mu)$  with **maximal real part**.

The current statistics is reduced to an eigenvalue problem, solvable by Bethe Ansatz.

# Analytic Procedure

Call  $F_\mu(\mathcal{C})$  of the dominant eigenvector  $F_\mu$  of  $M(\mu)$ . We have:

$$M(\mu) \cdot F_\mu = E(\mu) F_\mu$$

This dominant eigenvector can be formally expanded w. r. t.  $\mu$ :

$$F_\mu(\mathcal{C}) = P(\mathcal{C}) + \mu R_1(\mathcal{C}) + \mu^2 R_2(\mathcal{C}) \dots$$

- For  $\mu = 0$ :  $M(\mu = 0)$  is the original Markov operator,  $E(\mu = 0) = 0$  and  $P(\mathcal{C})$  is the stationary weight of the configuration  $\mathcal{C}$ :  $M \cdot P = 0$ .
- The **generalized weight vector**  $R_k(\mathcal{C})$  satisfies an inhomogeneous linear equation:  $M \cdot R_k = \Phi_k(P, R_1, \dots, R_{k-1})$ ,  $\Phi_k$  being a linear functional.
- For each value of  $k$ , we show that  $F_\mu$  can be represented by a **matrix product Ansatz** up to corrections of order  $\mu^{k+1}$ .
- Knowing  $F_\mu$  up to corrections of order  $\mu^{k+1}$ , we calculate  $E(\mu)$  to order  $\mu^{k+1}$ .

# Generalized Matrix Ansatz

One can **prove** that

$$F_\mu(C) = \frac{1}{Z_L^{(k)}} \langle W_k | \prod_{i=1}^L (\tau_i D_k + (1 - \tau_i) E_k) | V_k \rangle + \mathcal{O}(\mu^{k+1})$$

The matrices  $D_k$  and  $E_k$  are defined recursively starting with  $D_1 = D$  and  $E_1 = E$  and

$$D_{k+1} = (1 \otimes 1 + d \otimes e) \otimes D_k + (1 \otimes d + d \otimes 1) \otimes E_k$$

$$E_{k+1} = (1 \otimes 1 + e \otimes d) \otimes E_k + (e \otimes 1 + 1 \otimes e) \otimes D_k$$

Where  $d = D - 1$  and  $e = E - 1$

The boundary vectors  $\langle W_k |$  and  $| V_k \rangle$  are also constructed recursively. Start with  $| V_1 \rangle = |\beta\rangle$  and  $\langle W_1 | = \langle \alpha |$  and iterate

$$| V_k \rangle = |\beta\rangle | \tilde{V} \rangle | V_{k-1} \rangle \quad \text{and} \quad \langle W_k | = \langle W^\mu | \langle \tilde{W}^\mu | \langle W_{k-1} |$$

where

$$\beta(1 - d) | \tilde{V} \rangle = 0$$

$$\alpha \langle W^\mu | (1 + e^\mu e) = \langle W^\mu | \quad \text{and} \quad \alpha \langle \tilde{W}^\mu | (1 - e^\mu e) = 0$$

# Representations of the tensor algebra

The tensor products define a systematic iterative construction, which can be visualized in the usual representation.

$$1 \otimes D_k + d \otimes E_k = \begin{pmatrix} D_k & E_k & 0 & 0 & \dots \\ 0 & D_k & E_k & 0 & \dots \\ 0 & 0 & D_k & E_k & \dots \\ & & & \ddots & \ddots \end{pmatrix}$$

$$1 \otimes E_k + e \otimes D_k = \begin{pmatrix} E_k & 0 & 0 & 0 & \dots \\ D_k & E_k & 0 & 0 & \dots \\ 0 & D_k & E_k & 0 & \dots \\ & & & \ddots & \ddots \end{pmatrix}$$

One has to calculate Matrix elements of these tensor products for arbitrary values of  $k$ .



# A Special Case

In the case  $\alpha = \beta = 1$ , a parametric representation of the cumulant generating function  $E(\mu)$ :

$$\mu = - \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{(2k)!}{k!} \frac{[2k(L+1)]!}{[k(L+1)]! [k(L+2)]!} \frac{B^k}{2k},$$
$$E = - \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{(2k)!}{k!} \frac{[2k(L+1)-2]!}{[k(L+1)-1]! [k(L+2)-1]!} \frac{B^k}{2k}.$$

First cumulants of the current

- **Mean Value** :  $J = \frac{L+2}{2(2L+1)}$
- **Variance** :  $\Delta = \frac{3}{2} \frac{(4L+1)! [L!(L+2)]^2}{[(2L+1)!]^3 (2L+3)!}$
- **Skewness** :  
$$E_3 = 12 \frac{[(L+1)!]^2 [(L+2)!]^4}{(2L+1)! [(2L+2)!]^3} \left\{ 9 \frac{(L+1)!(L+2)!(4L+2)!(4L+4)!}{(2L+1)! [(2L+2)!]^2 [(2L+4)!]^2} - 20 \frac{(6L+4)!}{(3L+2)!(3L+6)!} \right\}$$

For large systems:  $E_3 \rightarrow \frac{2187-1280\sqrt{3}}{10368} \pi \sim -0.0090978\dots$

# Full Current Statistics for the TASEP

For arbitrary  $(\alpha, \beta)$ , the parametric representation of  $E(\mu)$  is

$$\begin{aligned}\mu &= -\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} C_k(\alpha, \beta) \frac{B^k}{2k} \\ E &= -\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} D_k(\alpha, \beta) \frac{B^k}{2k}\end{aligned}$$

with

$$C_k(\alpha, \beta) = \oint_{\{0, a, b\}} \frac{dz}{2i\pi} \frac{F(z)^k}{z} \quad \text{and} \quad D_k(\alpha, \beta) = \oint_{\{0, a, b\}} \frac{dz}{2i\pi} \frac{F(z)^k}{(1+z)^2}$$

where

$$F(z) = \frac{-(1+z)^{2L}(1-z^2)^2}{z^L(1-az)(z-a)(1-bz)(z-b)}, \quad a = \frac{1-\alpha}{\alpha}, \quad b = \frac{1-\beta}{\beta}$$

# Some explicit expressions

- **Mean Current:** (Same expression as in DEHP)

$$J = \frac{D_1(\alpha, \beta)}{C_1(\alpha, \beta)}$$

- **Fluctuations:** (an expression more compact than the one of 1995)

$$\Delta = \frac{D_1 C_2 - D_2 C_1}{C_1^3}$$

- **Saddle point analysis in the low density phase:** ( $\rho = \alpha$ )

$$E_1 = \rho(1 - \rho)$$

$$E_2 = \rho(1 - \rho)(1 - 2\rho)$$

$$E_3 = \rho(1 - \rho)(1 - 6\rho + 6\rho^2)$$

$$E_4 = \rho(1 - \rho)(1 - 2\rho)(1 - 12\rho + 12\rho^2)$$

$$E_5 = \rho(1 - \rho)(1 - 30\rho + 150\rho^2 - 240\rho^3 + 120\rho^4) \dots$$

# Asymptotics in the TASEP Phase Diagram

In the limit  $L \rightarrow \infty$  of systems of large size, we have

- **Maximal Current phase**  $\alpha > 1/2$  and  $\beta > 1/2$ : Cumulants are independent from  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$

$$E_k \sim \pi(\pi L)^{k/2-3/2} \text{ for } k \geq 2$$

- **Low Density phase**  $\alpha < \min(\beta, 1/2)$ :

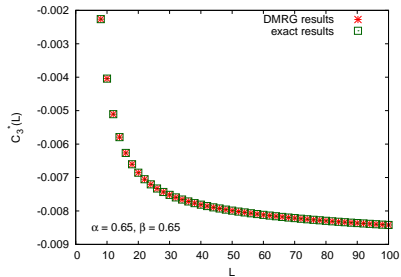
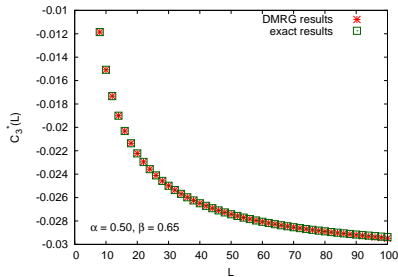
$$E(\mu) = \frac{a}{a+1} \frac{e^\mu - 1}{e^\mu + a}$$

*Agrees with the Asymptotic result obtained using the Bethe Ansatz (J. de Gier and F. L. Essler).*

- **High Density phase** is symmetrical to Low Density via  $\alpha \leftrightarrow \beta$ .
- **Along the shock line**  $\alpha = \beta \leq 1/2$ , fluctuations are enhanced

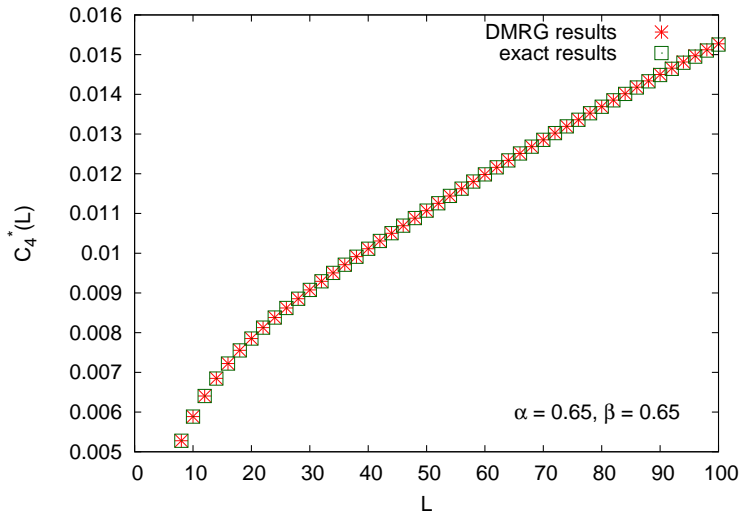
$$E_k \simeq \epsilon_k \alpha(1-\alpha)(1-2\alpha)^{k-1} L^{k-2} \text{ for } k \geq 2$$

# DMRG Results ( M. Gorissen, C. Vanderzande)



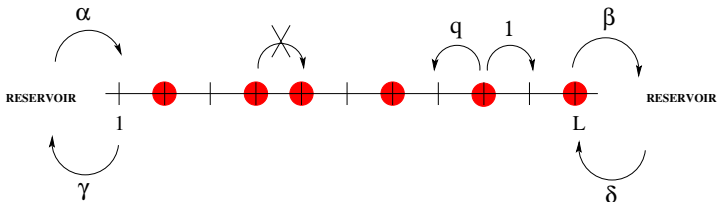
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# Fourth Cumulant (DMRG)



## 2. Current fluctuations: The general ASEP case

# The Open ASEP



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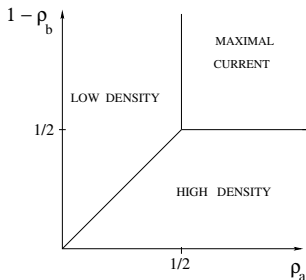
where  $\tau_i = 1$  (or 0) if the site  $i$  is occupied (or empty).

The operators  $D$  and  $E$ , the vectors  $\langle W |$  and  $| V \rangle$  now satisfy

$$\begin{aligned} D E - q E D &= D + E \\ (\beta D - \delta E) | V \rangle &= | V \rangle \\ \langle W | (\alpha E - \gamma D) &= \langle W | \end{aligned}$$



# The Phase Diagram



$\rho_a = \frac{1}{a_++1}$  : effective left reservoir density.

$\rho_b = \frac{b_+}{b_++1}$  : effective right reservoir density.

$$a_{\pm} = \frac{(1 - q - \alpha + \gamma) \pm \sqrt{(1 - q - \alpha + \gamma)^2 + 4\alpha\gamma}}{2\alpha}$$

$$b_{\pm} = \frac{(1 - q - \beta + \delta) \pm \sqrt{(1 - q - \beta + \delta)^2 + 4\beta\delta}}{2\beta}$$

# Total Current

The observable  $Y_t$  counts the total number of particles **exchanged between the system and the left reservoir** between times 0 and  $t$ .

Hence,  $Y_{t+dt} = Y_t + y$  with

- $y = +1$  if a particle enters at site 1 (at rate  $\alpha$ ),
- $y = -1$  if a particle exits from 1 (at rate  $\gamma$ )
- $y = 0$  if no particle exchange with the left reservoir has occurred during  $dt$ .

These three mutually exclusive types of transitions lead to a three parts decomposition of the Markov Matrix:  $M = M_+ + M_- + M_0$ .

The cumulant-generating function  $E(\mu)$  when  $t \rightarrow \infty$ ,  $\langle e^{\mu Y_t} \rangle \simeq e^{E(\mu)t}$ , is the **dominant eigenvalue** of the deformed matrix

$$M(\mu) = M_0 + e^{\mu} M_+ + e^{-\mu} M_-$$

# Generalized Matrix Ansatz

We have proved that the dominant eigenvector of the deformed matrix  $M(\mu)$  is given by the following matrix product representation:

$$F_\mu(C) = \frac{1}{Z_L^{(k)}} \langle W_k | \prod_{i=1}^L (\tau_i D_k + (1 - \tau_i) E_k) | V_k \rangle + \mathcal{O}(\mu^{k+1})$$

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$$E_{k+1} = (1 \otimes 1 + e \otimes d) \otimes E_k + (e \otimes 1 + 1 \otimes e) \otimes D_k$$

The boundary vectors  $\langle W_k |$  and  $|V_k\rangle$  are constructed recursively:

$$|V_k\rangle = |\beta\rangle |\tilde{V}\rangle |V_{k-1}\rangle \quad \text{and} \quad \langle W_k| = \langle W^\mu | \langle \tilde{W}^\mu | \langle W_{k-1}|$$

$$[\beta(1 - d) - \delta(1 + e)] |\tilde{V}\rangle = 0$$

$$\langle W^\mu | [\alpha(1 + e^\mu e) - \gamma(1 + e^{-\mu} d)] = (1 - q) \langle W^\mu |$$

$$\langle \tilde{W}^\mu | [\alpha(1 - e^\mu e) - \gamma(1 - e^{-\mu} d)] = 0$$

# Structure of the solution I

For arbitrary values of  $q$  and  $(\alpha, \beta, \gamma, \delta)$ , and for any system size  $L$  the parametric representation of  $E(\mu)$  is given by

$$\begin{aligned}\mu &= - \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} C_k(q; \alpha, \beta, \gamma, \delta, L) \frac{B^k}{2k} \\ E &= - \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} D_k(q; \alpha, \beta, \gamma, \delta, L) \frac{B^k}{2k}\end{aligned}$$

The coefficients  $C_k$  and  $D_k$  are given by contour integrals in the complex plane:

$$C_k = \oint_C \frac{dz}{2i\pi} \frac{\phi_k(z)}{z} \quad \text{and} \quad D_k = \oint_C \frac{dz}{2i\pi} \frac{\phi_k(z)}{(z+1)^2}$$

There exists an auxiliary function

$$W_B(z) = \sum_{k \geq 1} \phi_k(z) \frac{B^k}{k}$$

that contains the full information about the statistics of the current.

# Structure of the solution II

This auxiliary function  $W_B(z)$  solves a functional Bethe equation:

$$W_B(z) = -\ln\left(1 - BF(z)e^{X[W_B](z)}\right)$$

- The operator  $X$  is an integral operator

$$X[W_B](z_1) = \oint_{\mathcal{C}} \frac{dz_2}{i2\pi z_2} W_B(z_2) K\left(\frac{z_1}{z_2}\right)$$

$$\text{with kernel } K(z) = 2 \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{q^k}{1-q^k} \{z^k + z^{-k}\}$$

- The function  $F(z)$  is given by

$$F(z) = \frac{(1+z)^L (1+z^{-1})^L (z^2)_{\infty} (z^{-2})_{\infty}}{(a_+ z)_{\infty} (a_+ z^{-1})_{\infty} (a_- z)_{\infty} (a_- z^{-1})_{\infty} (b_+ z)_{\infty} (b_+ z^{-1})_{\infty} (b_- z)_{\infty} (b_- z^{-1})_{\infty}}$$

where  $(x)_{\infty} = \prod_{k=0}^{\infty} (1 - q^k x)$  and  $a_{\pm}, b_{\pm}$  depend on the boundary rates.

- The complex contour  $\mathcal{C}$  encircles 0,  $q^k a_+$ ,  $q^k a_-$ ,  $q^k b_+$ ,  $q^k b_-$  for  $k \geq 0$ .

# Discussion

- These results are of *combinatorial nature*: *valid for arbitrary values of the parameters and for any system sizes with no restrictions.*
- For  $q = 0$ , the TASEP case is retrieved.
- *Average-Current:*

$$J = \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\langle Y_t \rangle}{t} = (1 - q) \frac{D_1}{C_1} = (1 - q) \frac{\oint_{\Gamma} \frac{dz}{2i\pi} \frac{F(z)}{z}}{\oint_{\Gamma} \frac{dz}{2i\pi} \frac{F(z)}{(z+1)^2}}$$

(cf. T. Sasamoto, 1999.)

- *Diffusion Constant:*

$$\Delta = \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\langle Y_t^2 \rangle - \langle Y_t \rangle^2}{t} = (1 - q) \frac{D_1 C_2 - D_2 C_1}{2C_1^3}$$

where  $C_2$  and  $D_2$  are obtained using

$$\phi_1(z) = \frac{F(z)}{2} \quad \text{and} \quad \phi_2(z) = \frac{F(z)}{2} \left( F(z) + \oint_{\Gamma} \frac{dz_2 F(z_2) K(z/z_2)}{2i\pi z_2} \right)$$

(cf. the TASEP case: B. Derrida, M. R. Evans, K. M., 1995)

# Asymptotic behaviour

- **Maximal Current Phase:** (Similar Scaling as TASEP).

$$\mu = -\frac{L^{-1/2}}{2\sqrt{\pi}} \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{(2k)!}{k!k^{(k+3/2)}} B^k$$
$$\mathcal{E} - \frac{1-q}{4}\mu = -\frac{(1-q)L^{-3/2}}{16\sqrt{\pi}} \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{(2k)!}{k!k^{(k+5/2)}} B^k$$

- **Low Density (and High Density) Phases:**

Dominant singularity at  $a_+$ :  $\phi_k(z) \sim F^k(z)$ . By Lagrange Inversion:

$$E(\mu) = (1-q)(1-\rho_a) \frac{e^\mu - 1}{e^\mu + (1-\rho_a)/\rho_a}$$

(cf de Gier and Essler, 2011).

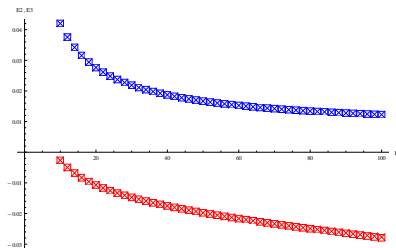
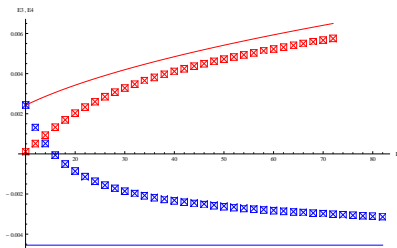
**Current Large Deviation Function:**

$$\Phi(j) = (1-q) \left\{ \rho_a - r + r(1-r) \ln \left( \frac{1-\rho_a}{\rho_a} \frac{r}{1-r} \right) \right\}$$

where the current  $j$  is parametrized as  $j = (1-q)r(1-r)$ .

*Matches the predictions of Macroscopic Fluctuation Theory, as observed by T. Bodineau and B. Derrida.*

# Numerical results (DMRG)



*Left: Max. Current* ( $q = 0.5$ ,  $a_+ = b_+ = 0.65$ ,  $a_- = b_- = 0.6$ ), **Third** and **Fourth** cumulant.

*Right: High Density* ( $q = 0.5$ ,  $a_+ = 0.28$ ,  $b_+ = 1.15$ ,  $a_- = -0.48$  and  $b_- = -0.27$ ), **Second** and **Third** cumulant.



- The function  $W_B(z)$  also contains information on the 6-vertex model associated with the ASEP.
- The periodic case falls to the same scheme (S. Prolhac, 2010):

$$F(z) = \frac{(1+z)^L}{z^N}$$

where  $L$  is the size of the system and  $N$  the conserved number of particles. The Kernel  $K(z_1, z_2)$  has the same expression. Here, the coefficients  $C_k$  and  $D_k$  are combinatorial factors enumerating some **tree structures** (S. Prolhac, 2010).

- **A striking coincidence:** the double-series for the *open* TASEP of size  $L$  for  $\alpha = 1$  and  $\beta = 1/2$  are *identical* to the formulas for the half-filled *periodic* TASEP of size  $2L + 2$ .

# TASEP CASE (Derrida Lebowitz 1998)

$E(\mu)$  is calculated by Bethe Ansatz to **all orders** in  $\mu$ , thanks to the **decoupling property** of the Bethe equations.

The structure of the solution is given by a **parametric representation** of the cumulant generating function  $E(\mu)$ :

$$\mu = -\frac{1}{L} \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{[kL]!}{[kN]! [k(L-N)]!} \frac{B^k}{k},$$
$$E = -\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{[kL-2]!}{[kN-1]! [k(L-N)-1]!} \frac{B^k}{k}.$$

Mean Total current:

$$J = \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\langle Y_t \rangle}{t} = \frac{N(L-N)}{L-1}$$

Diffusion Constant:

$$D = \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\langle Y_t^2 \rangle - \langle Y_t \rangle^2}{t} = \frac{LN(L-N)}{(L-1)(2L-1)} \frac{C_{2L}^{2N}}{(C_L^N)^2}$$

Exact formula for the large deviation function.

# Conclusion

Exact solutions of the asymmetric exclusion process are paradigms for the behaviour of systems far from equilibrium in low dimensions: Dynamical phase transitions, Non-Gibbsean measures, Large deviations, Fluctuations Theorems...

Large deviation functions (LDF) appear as the right generalization of the thermodynamic potentials: convex, optimized at the stationary state, and non-analytic features can be interpreted as phase transitions. The LDF's are very likely to play a key-role in the future of non-equilibrium statistical mechanics.

Tensor products of quadratic algebras provides us with an efficient tool to solve challenging problems: multispecies models; current fluctuations in the open TASEP. In particular, the tensor matrix Ansatz gives access to density profiles that generate atypical currents.