

Current Fluctuations in the 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*:

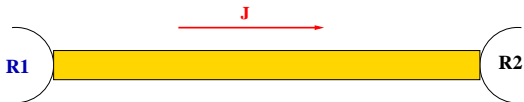
- (i) Observables are mean values w.r.t. the **canonical measure**.
- (ii) Statistical Mechanics predicts **fluctuations** (typically Gaussian) that are out of reach of Classical Thermodynamics.

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 $1/2$. Their sum is denoted by $S_N = \sum_1^N \epsilon_k$.

- The **Law of Large Numbers** implies that $S_N/N \rightarrow 0$ a.s.
- The **Central Limit Theorem** implies that S_N/\sqrt{N} converges towards a Gaussian Law.

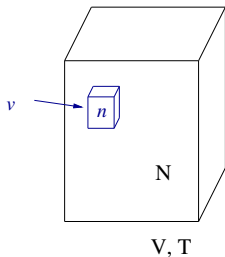
One can show that for $-1 < r < 1$, in the large N limit,

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

where the positive function $\Phi(r)$ vanishes for $r = 0$.

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

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 ρ_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*.

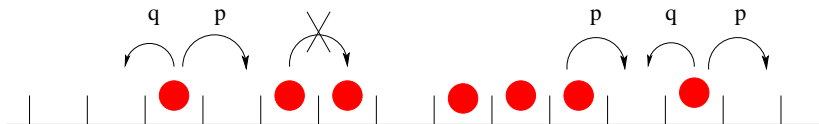
In the vicinity of equilibrium the Fluctuation Theorem yields the fluctuation-dissipation relation (Einstein), Onsager's relations and linear response theory (Kubo).

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1. The Exclusion Process: Spectral Properties



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

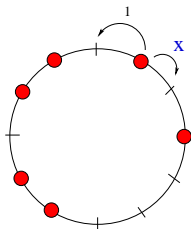
ORIGINS

- 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.

Markov Equation for the ASEP on a ring



L SITES
N PARTICLES

$$\Omega = \binom{L}{N}$$

CONFIGURATIONS

x asymmetry parameter

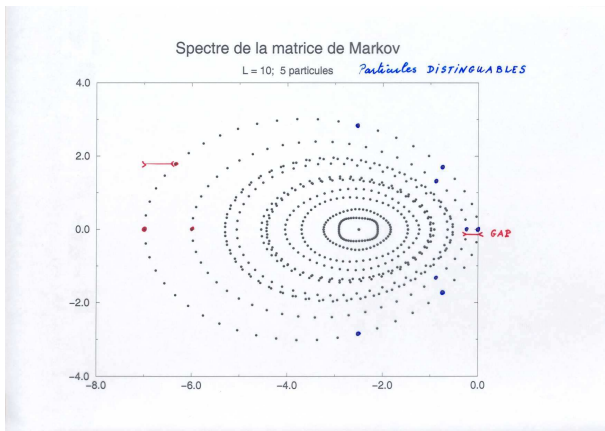
Master Equation for the Probability $P_t(x_1, \dots, x_N)$ of being in configuration $1 \leq x_1 < \dots < x_N \leq L$ at time t .

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{dP_t}{dt} &= \sum_i' [P_t(x_1, \dots, x_i - 1, \dots, x_N) - P_t(x_1, \dots, x_i, \dots, x_N)] \\ &+ x \sum_i' [P_t(x_1, \dots, x_i + 1, \dots, x_N) - P_t(x_1, \dots, x_i, \dots, x_N)] . \end{aligned}$$

The sum being restricted to admissible configurations.

Complex Eigenvalues $M\psi = E\psi$ with $\Re(E) \leq 0$ (Perron-Frobenius)

- Ground State $E = 0$ corresponds to the stationary state.
- Excited States \rightarrow relaxation times.



MAPPING TO A NON-HERMITIAN SPIN CHAIN

$$M = \sum_{l=1}^L \left(\mathbf{s}_l^+ \mathbf{s}_{l+1}^- + x \mathbf{s}_l^- \mathbf{s}_{l+1}^+ + \frac{1+x}{4} \mathbf{s}_l^z \mathbf{s}_{l+1}^z - \frac{1+x}{4} \right)$$

Complex Eigenvalues $M\psi = E\psi$:

- **Ground State** : $E = 0$, $P = \Omega^{-1}$ (non-degenerate).
- **Excited States** : $\Re(E) < 0$ (Perron-Frobenius).

Excitations correspond to relaxation times.

TASEP : $x = 0$

Integrability of ASEP: Bethe Ansatz

Eigenvector ψ of M written as a linear combination of plane waves, with pseudo-momenta given by z_1, \dots, z_N :

$$\psi(x_1, \dots, x_N) = \sum_{\sigma \in \Sigma_N} \mathcal{A}_\sigma \prod_{i=1}^N z_{\sigma(i)}^{x_i}$$

The [Bethe Equations](#) provide us with the quantification of the z_i 's:

$$z_i^L = (-1)^{N-1} \prod_{j=1}^N \frac{x z_i z_j - (1+x) z_i + 1}{x z_i z_j - (1+x) z_j + 1}$$

The corresponding eigenvalue is given by

$$E(z_1, z_2 \dots z_N) = \sum_{i=1}^N \frac{1}{z_i} + x \sum_{i=1}^N z_i - N(1+x).$$

The special case of TASEP

Eigenvectors of M as linear combinations of plane waves, with pseudo-momenta given by z_1, \dots, z_N :

$$\psi(x_1, \dots, x_N) = \det \left(\frac{2^{x_j} (z_i + 1)^{j - x_j}}{(z_i - 1)^j} \right) \quad \text{for } 1 \leq i, j \leq N$$

- ψ is an **eigenfunction** with **eigenvalue** $\mathbf{E} = \frac{1}{2}(-\mathbf{N} + \sum_j z_j)$.
- Cancellation of the two-particle collision terms ($x_{k-1} = x_k - 1$).
- **Bethe Equations**

$$(1 - z_i)^N (1 + z_i)^{L-N} = -2^L \prod_{j=1}^N \frac{z_j - 1}{z_j + 1} \quad \text{for } i = 1, \dots, N$$

Note that the r.h.s. is a constant independent of i : DECOUPLING.

Procedure for solving the TASEP Bethe Equations

- For any given value of Y , **SOLVE** $(1 - z_i)^N(1 + z_i)^{L-N} = Y$. The roots are located on **Cassini Ovals**
- **CHOOSE** N roots $z_{c(1)}, \dots, z_{c(N)}$ amongst the L available roots, with a **choice set** $c : \{c(1), \dots, c(N)\} \subset \{1, \dots, L\}$.
- **SOLVE** the **self-consistent** equation $\mathbf{A}_c(\mathbf{Y}) = \mathbf{Y}$ where

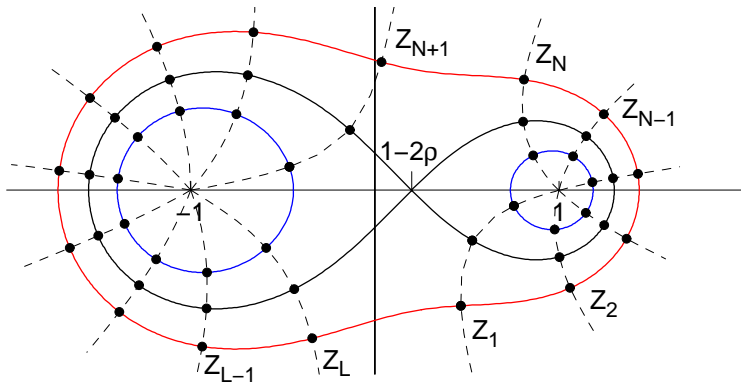
$$A_c(Y) = -2^L \prod_{j=1}^N \frac{z_{c(j)} - 1}{z_{c(j)} + 1}.$$

- **DEDUCE** from the value of Y , the $z_{c(j)}$'s and the energy corresponding to the choice set c :

$$2E_c(Y) = -N + \sum_{j=1}^N z_{c(j)}.$$

Labelling the roots of the Bethe Equations

The loci of the roots (for $x = 0$) are remarkable curves: **The Cassini Ovals**



Calculation of the GAP

The first excited state is solution of a transcendental equation. For a density ρ :

$$E_1 = -2\sqrt{\rho(1-\rho)} \frac{6.509189337\dots}{L^{3/2}} \pm \frac{2i\pi(2\rho-1)}{L}.$$

RELAXATION OSCILLATIONS

- Non-diffusive: Largest relaxation time $T \sim L^z$ with $z = 3/2$ (*D. Dhar, L.H. Gwa and H. Spohn, D. Kim*).
- Oscillations \rightarrow Traveling waves probed by dynamical correlations (*M. Barma, S. Majumdar, P. Krapivsky*).
- Classification of higher excitations (*J. de Gier and F.H.L. Essler, 2006*).

2. Current Fluctuations on a ring

Large Deviations of the Current

Statistics of the total current Y_t : total distance covered by all the N particles, hopping on a ring of size L , between time 0 and time t .

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

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

The Laplace transform of $P_t(\mathcal{C}, Y)$ with respect to Y , defined as $\hat{P}_t(\mathcal{C}, \mu) = \sum_Y e^{\mu Y} P_t(\mathcal{C}, Y)$, satisfies a dynamical equation governed by the deformation of the Markov Matrix M , obtained by adding a jump-counting fugacity μ :

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

with

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

Cumulant generating function

In the long time limit, $t \rightarrow \infty$

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

where $E(\mu)$ is the eigenvalue of $M(\mu)$ with maximal real part. Equivalently, $\Phi(j)$, the *large deviation function* of the current

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

is related to $E(\mu)$ by a *Legendre transform*

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

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

Bethe Ansatz for current statistics

The **Bethe Equations** are given by

$$z_i^L = (-1)^{N-1} \prod_{j=1}^N \frac{x e^{-\mu} z_i z_j - (1+x) z_i + e^{\mu}}{x e^{-\mu} z_i z_j - (1+x) z_j + e^{\mu}}$$

The eigenvalues of $M(\mu)$ are

$$E(\mu; z_1, z_2 \dots z_N) = e^{\mu} \sum_{i=1}^N \frac{1}{z_i} + x e^{-\mu} \sum_{i=1}^N z_i - N(1+x).$$

The Bethe equations **do not decouple** unless $x = 0$

(This case was solved by B. Derrida and J. L. Lebowitz, 1998).

TASEP CASE (Derrida Lebowitz 1998)

$E(\mu)$ is calculated by Bethe Ansatz to **all orders** in μ , 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.

Functional Bethe Ansatz for the General Case

After a change of variable, $y_i = \frac{1 - e^{-\mu} z_i}{1 - x e^{-\mu} z_i}$, the Bethe equations read

$$e^{L\mu} \left(\frac{1 - y_i}{1 - xy_i} \right)^L = - \prod_{j=1}^N \frac{y_i - xy_j}{xy_i - y_j} \quad \text{for } i = 1 \dots N.$$

Let T be **auxiliary variable** playing a symmetric role w.r.t. all the y_j :

$$e^{L\mu} \left(\frac{1 - T}{1 - xT} \right)^L = - \prod_{j=1}^N \frac{T - xy_j}{xT - y_j} \quad \text{for } i = 1 \dots N.$$

$$\text{i.e. } P(T) = e^{L\mu} (1 - T)^L \prod_{j=1}^N (xT - y_j) + (1 - xT)^L \prod_{j=1}^N (T - xy_j) = 0.$$

But $P(y_i) = 0$ (Bethe Eqs.). Thus, $Q(T) = \prod_{i=1}^N (T - y_i)$ divides $P(T)$:

$$Q(T) \text{ DIVIDES } e^{L\mu} (1 - T)^L Q(xT) + (1 - xT)^L x^N Q(T/x).$$

Functional Bethe Ansatz

There exist two polynomials $Q(T)$ and $R(T)$ such that

$$Q(T)R(T) = e^{L\mu}(1 - T)^L Q(xT) + x^N(1 - xT)^L Q(T/x)$$

where $Q(T)$ of degree N vanishes at the Bethe roots.

Functional Bethe Ansatz ([Baxter's TQ equation](#)): Restatement of the Bethe Ansatz as a purely algebraic problem. This equation is solved [perturbatively](#) w.r.t. μ .

Knowing $Q(T)$, we obtain an expansion of $E(\mu)$. This provides the full statistics of the current and its large deviations.

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- **Third cumulant (Skewness):**

$$\frac{E_3}{\phi(\rho(1-\rho))^{3/2} L^{5/2}} \simeq -\frac{4\pi}{3\sqrt{3}} + 12 \int_0^\infty dudv \frac{(u^2 + v^2)e^{-u^2-v^2} - (u^2 + uv + v^2)e^{-u^2-uv-v^2}}{\tanh \phi u \tanh \phi v}$$

→ **Non Gaussian fluctuations.** TASEP limit for $\phi \rightarrow \infty$:

$$E_3 \simeq \left(\frac{3}{2} - \frac{8}{3\sqrt{3}} \right) \pi(\rho(1-\rho))^2 L^3$$

$$\begin{aligned}
\frac{E_3}{6L^2} &= \frac{1-x}{L-1} \sum_{i>0} \sum_{j>0} \frac{C_L^{N+i} C_L^{N-i} C_L^{N+j} C_L^{N-j}}{(C_L^N)^4} (i^2 + j^2) \frac{1+x^i}{1-x^i} \frac{1+x^j}{1-x^j} \\
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&+ (1-x) \frac{N(L-N)}{4(L-1)(2L-1)} \frac{C_{2L}^{2N}}{(C_L^N)^2} \\
&- (1-x) \frac{N(L-N)}{6(L-1)(3L-1)} \frac{C_{3L}^{3N}}{(C_L^N)^3}
\end{aligned}$$

The weakly symmetric case

For large system sizes, $L \rightarrow \infty$, in the scaling limit $x = 1 - \frac{\nu}{L}$, the cumulant generating function is given by

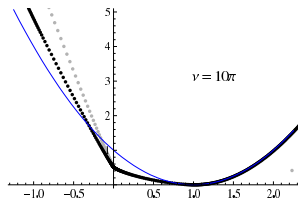
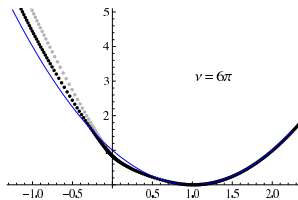
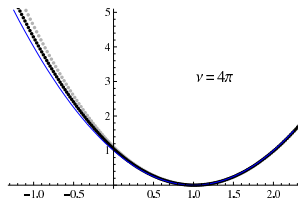
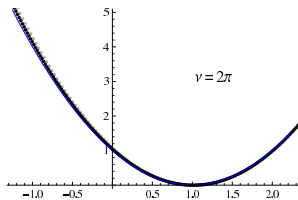
$$E\left(\frac{\mu}{L}\right) \simeq \frac{\rho(1-\rho)(\mu^2 + \mu\nu)}{L} - \frac{\rho(1-\rho)\mu^2\nu}{2L^2} + \frac{1}{L^2}\psi[\rho(1-\rho)(\mu^2 + \mu\nu)]$$

$$\text{with } \psi(z) = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{B_{2k-2}}{k!(k-1)!} z^k$$

- The B_j 's are **Bernoulli Numbers**.
- Leading order (in $1/L$): **Gaussian** fluctuations.
- Subleading (in $1/L^2$): **Non-Gaussian** correction.
- **Phase transition** (predicted by *T. Bodineau* and *B. Derrida*) when

$$\nu \geq \nu_c = \frac{2\pi}{\sqrt{\rho(1-\rho)}}$$

Behaviour of the large deviation function



The General Case (S. Prolhac, 2010)

The function $E(\mu)$ is again obtained in a parametric form:

$$\mu = - \sum_{k \geq 1} C_k \frac{B^k}{k} \quad \text{and} \quad E = -(1-x) \sum_{k \geq 1} D_k \frac{B^k}{k}$$

C_k and D_k are combinatorial factors enumerating some **tree structures**.
There exists an auxiliary function

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

such that C_k and D_k are given by complex integrals along a small contour that encircles 0 :

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

The function $W_B(z)$ contains the full information about the statistics of the current.

The function $W_B(z)$ is the solution of a functional Bethe equation:

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

where

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

The operator X is an integral operator

$$X[W_B](z_1) = \oint_C \frac{dz_2}{i2\pi z_2} W_B(z_2) K(z_1, z_2)$$

with the kernel

$$K(z_1, z_2) = 2 \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{x^k}{1-x^k} \left\{ \left(\frac{z_1}{z_2}\right)^k + \left(\frac{z_2}{z_1}\right)^k \right\}$$

Solving this Functional Bethe Ansatz equation to all orders enables us to calculate cumulant generating function. For $x = 0$, the TASEP result is readily retrieved.

The function $W_B(z)$ also contains information on the 6-vertex model associated with the ASEP.

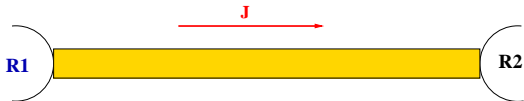
From the **Physics** point of view, the solution allows one to

- Classify the different **universality** classes (KPZ, EW).
- Study the various **scaling** regimes.
- Investigate the **hydrodynamic** behaviour.

3. Current Fluctuations in the open TASEP

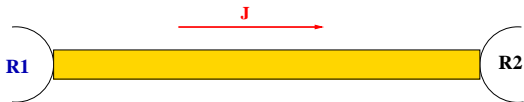
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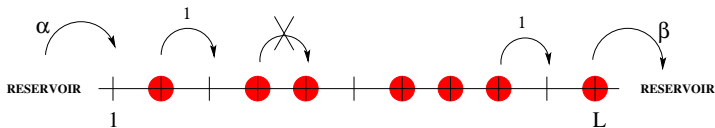


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The totally asymmetric exclusion model with open boundaries



The Matrix Ansatz (DEHP, 1993)

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

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

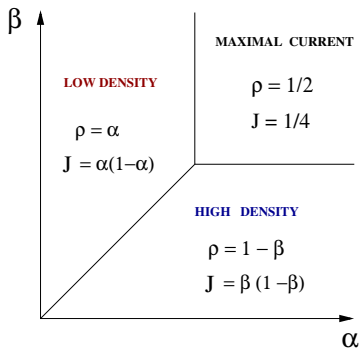
where $\tau_i = 1$ (or 0) if the site i is occupied (or empty).

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

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

Phase Diagram



Large Deviations of the Current: Framework

Let N_t be the TOTAL (time-integrated) current through the system between 0 and t . When a particle enters the system:

$$N_t = N_t + 1$$

- **Expectation value:** $\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\langle N_t \rangle}{t} = J(\alpha, \beta, L) = \frac{Z_{L-1}}{Z_L}$
- **Variance:** $\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\langle N_t^2 \rangle - \langle N_t \rangle^2}{t} = \Delta(\alpha, \beta, L)$
- **Cumulant Generating Function:** $\langle \exp(\mu N_t) \rangle \simeq \exp(E(\mu)t)$

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

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

is the *Legendre transform* of the Cumulant Generating Function $E(\mu)$.

Full Current Statistics

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 arbitrary (α, β) , the parametric representation of $E(\mu)$ is

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

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:** ($\rho = \alpha$)

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

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

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

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

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

An old Formula for Δ :

$$\begin{aligned}
 \Delta = & \frac{\langle \alpha | C^{N-1} | \beta \rangle}{\langle \alpha | C^N | \beta \rangle} - \frac{\langle \alpha | C^{N-1} | \beta \rangle}{\langle \alpha | C^N | \beta \rangle} \sum_{n=1}^{N-1} \left[\frac{\langle \alpha | C^{n-1} D C^{N-n} | \beta \rangle}{\langle \alpha | C^N | \beta \rangle} \right. \\
 & \left. - \frac{\langle \alpha | C^{n-1} D C^{N-1-n} | \beta \rangle}{\langle \alpha | C^{N-1} | \beta \rangle} \right] \\
 & + \sum_{n=0}^{N-1} \frac{(2n)!}{n!(n+1)!} \left[(N-n-1) \frac{\langle \alpha | C^{N-n-2} | \beta \rangle}{\langle \alpha | C^N | \beta \rangle} \right. \\
 & \left. - (N-n+1) \frac{\langle \alpha | C^{N-1} | \beta \rangle \langle \alpha | C^{N-n-1} | \beta \rangle}{\langle \alpha | C^N | \beta \rangle} \right] \\
 & + 2 \frac{\langle \alpha | C^{N-1} | \beta \rangle}{\langle \alpha | C^N | \beta \rangle^3} \sum_{n=1}^N \langle \alpha | C^{N-n} | \beta \rangle \\
 & \times [\langle \alpha | C^{n-1} D C^N | \beta \rangle - \langle \alpha | C^N D C^{n-1} | \beta \rangle] \\
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 & \times [\langle \alpha | C^{n-1} D C^N | \beta \rangle - \langle \alpha | C^{N-1} D C^n | \beta \rangle]
 \end{aligned}$$

where the matrix elements involved are given by expressions derived in ref. 14:

$$\langle \alpha | C^N | \beta \rangle = \frac{\alpha\beta}{\alpha - \beta} \left[R_N \left(\frac{1}{\beta} \right) - R_N \left(\frac{1}{\alpha} \right) \right] \langle \alpha | \beta \rangle \quad (59)$$

$$\langle \alpha | C^m D C^n | \beta \rangle = \sum_{p=0}^{n-1} \frac{(2p)!}{p!(p+1)!} \langle \alpha | C^{n+m-p} | \beta \rangle + R_n \left(\frac{1}{\beta} \right) \langle \alpha | C^m | \beta \rangle \quad (60)$$

where

$$\begin{aligned}
 R_n \left(\frac{1}{\beta} \right) &= \sum_{p=1}^n \frac{p(2n-1-p)!}{n!(n-p)!} \frac{1}{\beta^{p+1}} \quad \text{for } n \geq 1 \\
 R_0 \left(\frac{1}{\beta} \right) &= \frac{1}{\beta}
 \end{aligned} \quad (61)$$

Behaviour 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 α and β and are the same as for $\alpha = \beta = 1$:

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

- **Low Density phase** $\alpha < \min(\beta, 1/2)$: Use saddle-point and Lagrange Inversion Formula to obtain

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

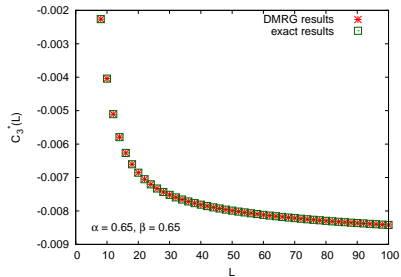
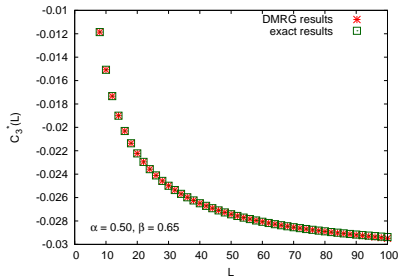
Agrees with Bethe Ansatz (Essler and de Gier) and with Macroscopic Fluctuation Theory.

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

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

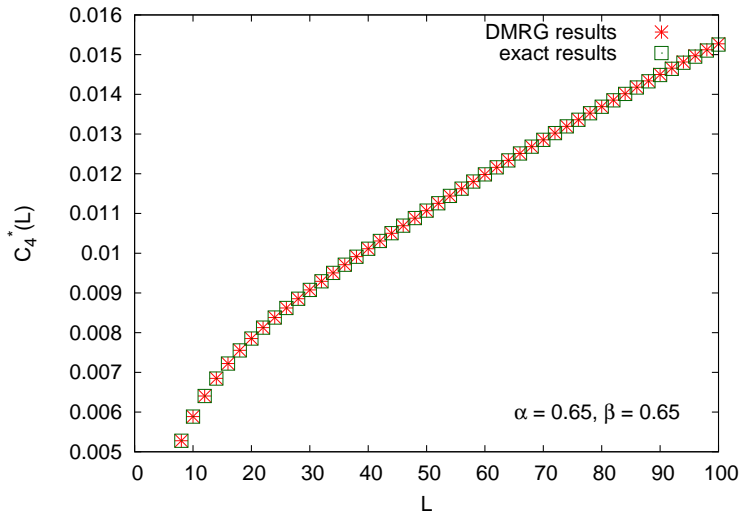
The coefficients $\epsilon_2 = 2/3$, $\epsilon_3 = -1/30$, $\epsilon_4 = 2/315$, $\epsilon_5 = -1/1890\dots$, can be calculated by *Domain Wall Theory*.

DMRG Results (M. Gorissen, C. Vanderzande)



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Fourth Cumulant (DMRG)



Relation to the Macroscopic Fluctuation Theory

By **Legendre Transform** of the cumulant generating function, the Large Deviation Function of the current is found. In the limit of very large systems (Low Density Phase):

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

where the current j is parametrized as $j = r(1 - r)$. This expression is **consistent** with the one derived from the **Macroscopic Fluctuation Theory of Jona-Lasinio et al.** (cf T. Bodineau and B. Derrida).

- In the Macroscopic Fluctuation Theory, the hydrodynamic limit of the ASEP is a **stochastic Burgers equation** (in the weakly asymmetric regime).
- This allows one to define a **probability measure on density profiles and currents**.
- The **optimal profile** that generates the **atypical current** j is found by solving a **variational problem**.
- The probability of occurrence of this optimal profile allows one to calculate $\Phi(j)$.

Outline of the calculation

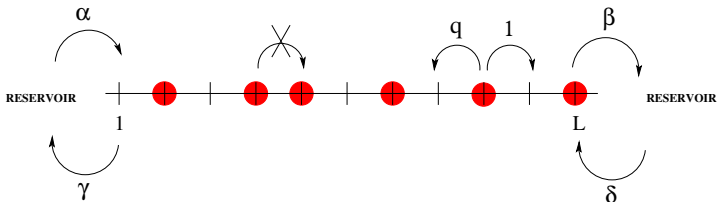
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- The formula is **checked against exact calculations** on systems of sizes ≤ 10 for arbitrary rational values of (α, β) .
- **Large system size** limits and known **special cases** are recovered.
- **DMRG results** of M. Gorissen and C. Vanderzande.

Current fluctuations in the general ASEP



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

$$\mu = - \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} C_k(\alpha, \beta, \gamma, \delta, L) \frac{B^k}{2k} \quad \text{and} \quad E = - \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} D_k(\alpha, \beta, \gamma, \delta, L) \frac{B^k}{2k}$$

The coefficients C_k and D_k are generated by contour integrals in the complex plane.

The key function $F(z)$ is now given by

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

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

The complex integrals are taken along a small contour in the complex plane that encircles the points $0, q^k a_+, q^k a_-, q^k b_+$ and $q^k b_-$ for all integers $k \geq 0$.

The function $F(z)$ must be convoluted with the same kernel as in the closed ASEP problem

$$K(z_1, z_2) = 2 \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{q^k}{1-q^k} \left\{ \left(\frac{z_1}{z_2} \right)^k + \left(\frac{z_2}{z_1} \right)^k \right\}$$

- This structure was obtained using the **Tensor Matrix Ansatz**. These results are of **combinatorial** nature. They are **valid for arbitrary values of the parameters and for any system size with no restrictions**.
- At first order, the formula for the **mean current in the open ASEP** (Sasamoto et al.) is retrieved.
- At second order, an expression of the **Diffusion Constant** that generalizes the old TASEP result is obtained.
- In the limit of large system sizes, the expression of the cumulant generating function becomes

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

Agrees with **Bethe Ansatz** results of Essler and de Gier and with **Macroscopic Fluctuation Theory**.

- Scaling limits, Weakly Asymmetric regime are under investigation.
- There is an underlying **Functional Bethe Ansatz structure**. The relevant $W_B(z)$ has been found.

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...

Tensor products of quadratic algebras provides us with an efficient tool to solve very challenging problems: multispecies models; current fluctuations in the open TASEP.

The 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. Besides, the LDF's satisfy remarkable identities (Gallavotti-Cohen) valid far away from equilibrium. The LDF's are very likely to play a key-role in the future of non-equilibrium statistical mechanics.