

# Lattice Paths and the PASEP

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# Plan of Talk

Definition of the model

Solution of the model (matrix product ansatz)

Relation to Lattice Path Models - ASEP

Relation to Lattice Path Models - PASEP

Continued fraction representation of generating function

# Definition of the model

One dimensional lattice,  $N$  sites

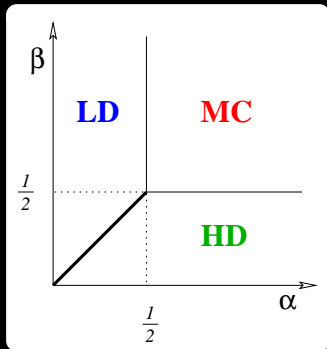
"Hard" particles

Forcing



# The Phase Diagram ( $q = 0$ )

Give away the punchline



Roll of honour (TASEP  $q = 0$ ): Derrida, **Evans**, Hakim Pasquier

Roll of honour (PASEP  $q \neq 0$ ): **Blythe**, **Evans**, Colaioni, Essler

# Setup for solution

Configuration, weights

$$\mathcal{C}, f(\mathcal{C})$$

Normalized probability

$$P(\mathcal{C}) = f(\mathcal{C})/Z$$

Normalization

$$Z = \sum_{\mathcal{C}} f(\mathcal{C})$$

Master Equation

$$\frac{\partial P(\mathcal{C}, t)}{\partial t} = \sum_{\mathcal{C}' \neq \mathcal{C}} [P(\mathcal{C}', t)W(\mathcal{C}' \rightarrow \mathcal{C}) - P(\mathcal{C}, t)W(\mathcal{C} \rightarrow \mathcal{C}')] ]$$

# Setup for (Matrix Product) solution

Represent ball with

$$X_i = D$$

Represent space with

$$X_i = E$$

Represent  $P(\mathcal{C})$  as

$$P(\mathcal{C}) = \frac{\langle W | X_1 X_2 \dots X_N | V \rangle}{Z_N}$$

Make sure behaviour of  $D, E$  is compatible with dynamics:

$$DE - qED = D + E$$

$$\alpha \langle W | E = \langle W |$$

$$\beta D | V \rangle = | V \rangle$$

# Now what?

Various ways to proceed

Purely algebraic - "normal order"

Get a representation of  $D, E$  - not unique (and infinite)

Evaluate  $Z_N = \langle W|(D + E)^N|V\rangle = \langle W|C^N|V\rangle$  having done this

# Normal Order ( $q = 0$ )

Look at *Grand*-canonical normalization

$$\mathcal{Z}(z) = \sum_{N=0}^{\infty} Z_N z^N .$$

Use the expansion

$$\frac{1}{1 - zC} = \sum_{N=0}^{\infty} z^N C_N$$

Note that

$$(1 - \eta D)(1 - \eta E) = 1 - \eta(1 - \eta)C$$

Giving (Depken)

$$\frac{1}{1 - zC} = \frac{1}{1 - \eta E} \frac{1}{1 - \eta D}$$



# Normal Order II ( $q = 0$ )

Take

$$\frac{1}{1 - zC} = \frac{1}{1 - \eta E} \frac{1}{1 - \eta D}$$

Sandwich

$$\mathcal{Z}(z) = \sum_{N=0}^{\infty} Z_N z^N = \sum_{N=0}^{\infty} \langle W | C^N z^N | V \rangle = \langle W | \frac{1}{1 - \eta E} \frac{1}{1 - \eta D} | V \rangle$$

Giving

$$\mathcal{Z}(z) = \frac{1}{(1 - \eta(z)/\alpha)} \frac{1}{(1 - \eta(z)/\beta)}$$

Where

$$\eta(z) = \frac{1}{2}(1 - \sqrt{1 - 4z})$$

# Extracting $Z_N$ from $\mathcal{Z}(z)$

*Singularities* of  $\mathcal{Z}(z) \rightarrow$  *asymptotics* of the  $Z_N$

In MC phase

$$Z_N \sim \frac{4^N}{\pi^{1/2} N^{3/2}} \left[ \frac{1}{(2\alpha - 1)^2} - \frac{1}{(2\beta - 1)^2} \right]$$

In regions LD and HD poles dominate

$$Z_N \sim \frac{\alpha(1 - 2\beta)}{(\alpha - \beta)(1 - \beta)} \frac{1}{(\beta(1 - \beta))^N}$$

# Comment I

If we expand  $\mathcal{Z}(z)$  we recover  $Z_N$ :

$$Z_N = \sum_{p=1}^N \frac{p(2N-1-p)!}{N!(N-p)!} \frac{(1/\beta)^{p+1} - (1/\alpha)^{p+1}}{(1/\beta) - (1/\alpha)}$$

# Comment II

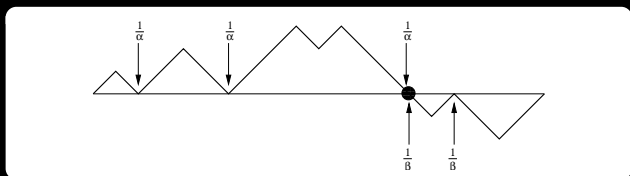
$\eta(z) = \frac{1}{2}(1 - \sqrt{1 - 4z})$  is the generating function for Catalan numbers

Also counts *Dyck* paths



# Generating Function of What?

$\mathcal{Z}(z)$  is an elaboration of  $\eta(z)$



Get generating function by iterating

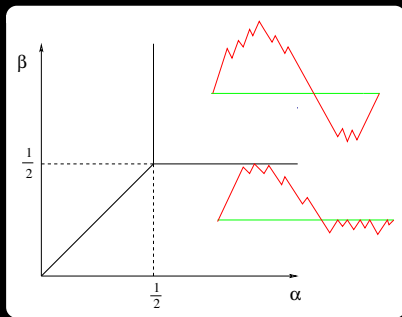
$$\eta(z) = z (1 + \eta(z) + [\eta(z)]^2 + \dots) = \frac{z}{1 - \eta(z)}$$

Then iterate again with contact weights  $1/\alpha$

$$\mathcal{Z}(z) = \frac{1}{(1 - \eta(z)/\alpha)} \frac{1}{(1 - \eta(z)/\beta)}$$

# The Phase Diagram: (Sticky) Lattice Paths

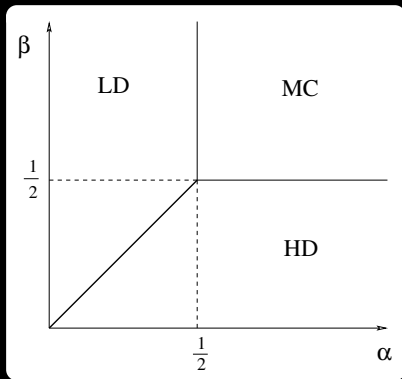
Large  $\alpha, \beta$ : unbound paths



Smaller  $\alpha$  or  $\beta$ : paths “stick”

# The Phase Diagram (ASEP)

Large  $\alpha$ ,  $\beta$ : Maximal Current Phase



Smaller  $\alpha$  or  $\beta$ : High and Low density phases

# Half Time Conclusions

Non-equilibrium ASEP == equilibrium lattice (Dyck) path model

Grand-canonical normalization (ASEP) is identical to partition function (paths)

PASEP?

Not so obvious, go the representation route....



# (Transfer) Matrix Product Ansatz

Consider  $D + E$  as a transfer matrix for paths

Vectors give.....

starting heights:  $\langle W| = (1, 0, 0, \dots)$

and finishing heights:  $|V\rangle = (1, 0, 0, \dots)^T$

# Matrices for the ASEP ( $q=0$ )

$$D = \begin{pmatrix} 1 + \frac{1}{\beta} & \sqrt{\kappa} & 0 & \cdots \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & \ddots \\ \vdots & & \ddots & \ddots \end{pmatrix},$$

$$E = \begin{pmatrix} 1 + \frac{1}{\alpha} & 0 & 0 & \cdots \\ \sqrt{\kappa} & 1 & 0 & \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & \ddots \\ \vdots & & \ddots & \ddots \end{pmatrix}.$$

$$\langle W| = (1, 0, 0, \cdots) \quad |V\rangle = (1, 0, 0, \cdots)^T$$

$$\kappa = \frac{1}{\alpha} + \frac{1}{\beta} - \frac{1}{\alpha\beta}$$

# And the PASEP? ( $q \neq 0$ )

$$D_q = \frac{1}{1-q} \begin{pmatrix} 1 + \tilde{\beta} & \sqrt{c_1} & 0 & \cdots \\ 0 & 1 + \tilde{\beta}q & \sqrt{c_2} & \\ 0 & 0 & 1 + \tilde{\beta}q^2 & \ddots \\ \vdots & & \ddots & \ddots \end{pmatrix},$$
$$E_q = \frac{1}{1-q} \begin{pmatrix} 1 + \tilde{\alpha} & 0 & 0 & \cdots \\ \sqrt{c_1} & 1 + \tilde{\alpha}q & 0 & \\ 0 & \sqrt{c_2} & 1 + \tilde{\alpha}q^2 & \ddots \\ \vdots & & \ddots & \ddots \end{pmatrix}.$$

$$\langle W | = h_0^{1/2} (1, 0, 0, \dots) \quad |V\rangle = h_0^{1/2} (1, 0, 0, \dots)^T$$

# Definitions

$$\begin{aligned}\tilde{\alpha} &= \frac{1-q}{\alpha} - 1 & \tilde{\beta} &= \frac{1-q}{\beta} - 1 \\ c_n &= (1-q^n)(1-\tilde{\alpha}\tilde{\beta}q^{n-1}) \\ h_0 &= \frac{1}{(\tilde{\alpha}\tilde{\beta}; q)_\infty}\end{aligned}$$

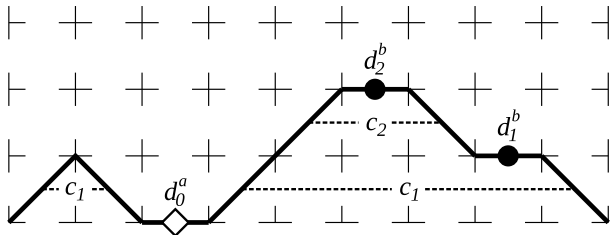
$$\begin{aligned}(a; q)_n &= \prod_{j=0}^{n-1} (1-aq^j) \\ (a, b, \dots, c; q)_n &= (a; q)_n (b; q)_n \dots (c; q)_n\end{aligned}$$

# $C$ as a transfer matrix...

$$C_q = \frac{1}{1-q} \begin{pmatrix} 2 + \tilde{\alpha} + \tilde{\beta} & \sqrt{c_1} & 0 & \cdots \\ \sqrt{c_1} & 2 + (\tilde{\alpha} + \tilde{\beta})q & \sqrt{c_2} & \\ 0 & \sqrt{c_2} & 2 + (\tilde{\alpha} + \tilde{\beta})q^2 & \ddots \\ \vdots & & \ddots & \ddots \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\langle W| = h_0^{1/2}(1, 0, 0, \dots) \quad |V\rangle = h_0^{1/2}(1, 0, 0, \dots)^T$$

# Bicoloured *Motzkin* Paths



$$\tilde{d}_n = \frac{2 + (\tilde{\alpha} + \tilde{\beta}) q^n}{1 - q} = \frac{1 + \tilde{\alpha} q^n}{1 - q} + \frac{1 + \tilde{\beta} q^n}{1 - q}$$

$$\tilde{c}_n = \frac{(1 - q^n)(1 - \tilde{\alpha}\tilde{\beta} q^{n-1})}{(1 - q)^2}$$

# Generating Function as a Continued Fraction

$$\mathcal{Z}(z) = \sum_N Z_N z^N$$

$$\mathcal{Z}(\tilde{\alpha}, \tilde{\beta}, q, z) = \frac{1}{1 - \tilde{d}_0 z - \frac{\tilde{c}_1 z^2}{1 - \tilde{d}_1 z - \frac{\tilde{c}_2 z^2}{1 - \tilde{d}_2 z - \frac{\tilde{c}_3 z^2}{\dots}}}}$$

# Recover ASEP

$$\mathcal{Z}(\tilde{\alpha}, \tilde{\beta}, 0, z) = \frac{1}{1 - (\alpha^{-1} + \beta^{-1})z - \frac{\kappa z^2}{1 - 2z - \frac{z^2}{1 - 2z - \frac{z^2}{1 - 2z - \frac{z^2}{\dots}}}}}$$

$$\mathcal{Z}(\tilde{\alpha}, \tilde{\beta}, 0, z) = \frac{1}{(1 - \eta(z)/\alpha)} \frac{1}{(1 - \eta(z)/\beta)}$$

Why Motzkin rather than Dyck?:  $D + E = DE$



# Singularities of Continued Fractions in general - PASEP

generic, poles

Worpitzky: A continued fraction of the form

$$\frac{1}{1 + \frac{a_2}{1 + \frac{a_3}{1 + \frac{a_4}{\dots}}}}$$

converges if the partial numerators  $a_p$  satisfy

$$|a_p| < 1/4, \quad p = 2, 3, 4, \dots$$

# Singularities of Continued Fractions II

Worpitzsky translates to

$$\frac{4\tilde{c}_n z_{cr}^2}{(1 - \tilde{d}_{n-1} z_{cr})(1 - \tilde{d}_n z_{cr})} = 1 \quad \forall n$$

This the maximal current phase

$$z_{cr} \rightarrow (1 - q)/4$$

# Hunting Poles

Generic, **poles**

Look at  $n^{\text{th}}$  *convergent* of the continued fraction

$$K_0 = \frac{1}{1 - \tilde{d}_0 z},$$
$$K_1 = \frac{1}{1 - \tilde{d}_0 z - \frac{\tilde{c}_1 z^2}{1 - \tilde{d}_1 z}},$$

Continued fraction is given *exactly* by the convergent  $K_n$  if  $\tilde{c}_{n+1} = 0$ .

$$\tilde{\alpha}\tilde{\beta} = q^{-n}.$$

# Hunting Poles II

Each convergent  $K_n$  can be expressed as

$$K_n = \frac{B_n}{A_n}$$

$A_n$  and  $B_n$  both satisfy

$$\begin{aligned}A_n(z) &= (1 - \tilde{d}_n z)A_{n-1}(z) - \tilde{c}_n z^2 A_{n-2}(z), \\B_n(z) &= (1 - \tilde{d}_n z)B_{n-1}(z) - \tilde{c}_n z^2 B_{n-2}(z),\end{aligned}$$

Different initial conditions:  $A_{-2} = B_{-1} = 0$  and  $A_{-1} = B_0 = 1$ .

# Finding Poles

Three term recurrence  $\rightarrow$  orthogonal polynomials

Second nastiest  $q$ -orthogonal polynomials

**Al-Salam-Chihara** polynomials

$$A_n(z) = \frac{(\tilde{\alpha}\tilde{\beta}; q)_{n+1} z^{n+1}}{(1-q)^{n+1} \tilde{\alpha}^{n+1}} \sum_{k=0}^{n+1} \frac{(q^{-(n+1)}; q)_k (\tilde{\alpha} e^{i\theta}; q)_k (\tilde{\alpha} e^{-i\theta}; q)_k}{(\tilde{\alpha}\tilde{\beta}; q)_k (q; q)_k} q^k$$

where  $\cos(\theta) = (1-q)/(2z) - 1$ .

# Finding Poles II

When  $\tilde{c}_{n+1} = 0$ , *i.e.*  $\tilde{\alpha}\tilde{\beta} = q^{-n}$ .

$A_n(z) \rightarrow \mathcal{A}_n(z)$

$$\mathcal{A}_n(z) = \prod_{k=0}^n \left( 1 - \frac{z}{z_k} \right)$$
$$z_k = \frac{1 - q}{\left( 1 + \tilde{\alpha}q^k \right) \left( 1 + \frac{1}{\tilde{\alpha}q^k} \right)}.$$

Remarkable property: all poles of  $\mathcal{A}_n(z)$  are poles of  $\mathcal{A}_m(z)$  where  $m > n$

Generically not the case

# Counting alcohols



# Counting alcohols II

Polya - chemical isomeres of  $C_nH_{2n+1}OH$  without asymmetric carbon atoms

$$1 - \frac{1}{1 - \frac{z}{1 - \frac{z^2}{1 - \frac{z^4}{1 - \frac{z^6}{\dots}}}}}$$

$$z = 1$$

0.61803

0.5950892980

...

0.594883..



# Phases of the PASEP

Zeroth convergent

$$K_0 = \frac{1}{1 - \tilde{d}_0 z}$$

Pole at  $z_0 = 1/\tilde{d}_0$

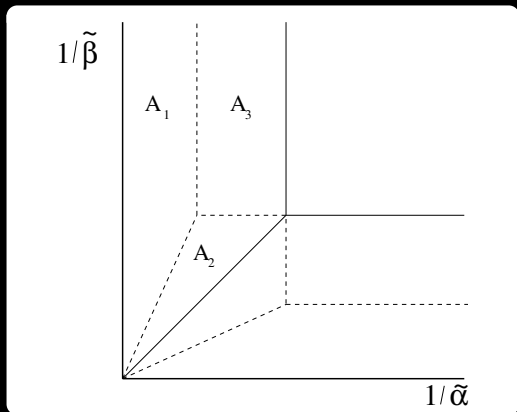
*Stays* a pole for all  $K_N$  (this is why mean field gets phase transition lines correct)

Gives HD, LD phases unless generic singularity is closer

# Observations

$z_0$  and  $\alpha \leftrightarrow \beta$  give *HD LD*, phases

Ratio of leading/subleading gives correlation lengths



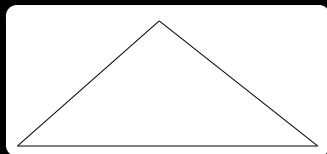
# More Observations

$q \rightarrow 1$  is an inflation transition

Asymptotics for  $q > 1$

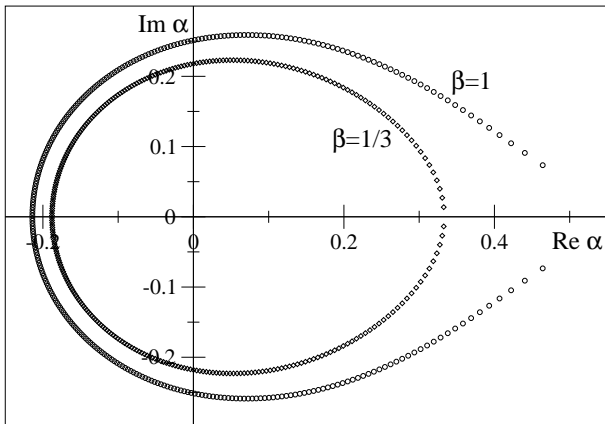
$$Z_N \sim Z_N \sim A(\tilde{\alpha}, \tilde{\beta}; q) (q^{-1}\tilde{\alpha}\tilde{\beta}, 1/\tilde{\alpha}\tilde{\beta}; q^{-1})_{\infty} \left( \frac{\sqrt{\tilde{\alpha}\tilde{\beta}}}{q-1} \right)^N q^{\frac{1}{4}N^2}$$

Given by “tent” paths



# Yet More Observations

Lee-Yang/Fisher zeros for ASEP normalization



# *Even* more Observations

$\tilde{\alpha}\tilde{\beta} = q^{-n}$  is condition for n-dimensional reps.

$$K_0 = \frac{1}{1 - \tilde{d}_0 z},$$
$$K_1 = \frac{1}{1 - \tilde{d}_0 z - \frac{\tilde{c}_1 z^2}{1 - \tilde{d}_1 z}},$$

No unbound paths  $\rightarrow$  No MC phase

# Full Time Conclusions

Non-equilibrium ASEP  $\implies$  equilibrium lattice (Dyck) path model

PASEP and ASEP  $\implies$  Motzkin path model

Casts light on the applicability of “partition function” zeroes, finite dimensional reps, why mean field works well...

Gets the combinatorialists interested

General feature?

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