

# Replica analysis of the 1D KPZ equation

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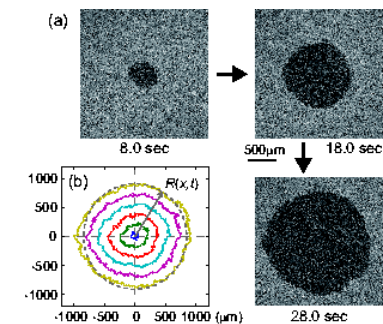
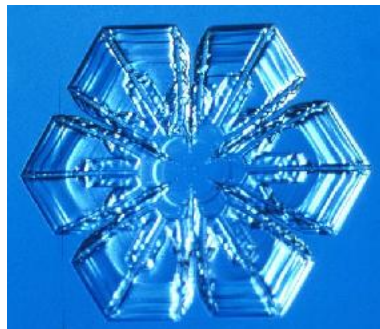
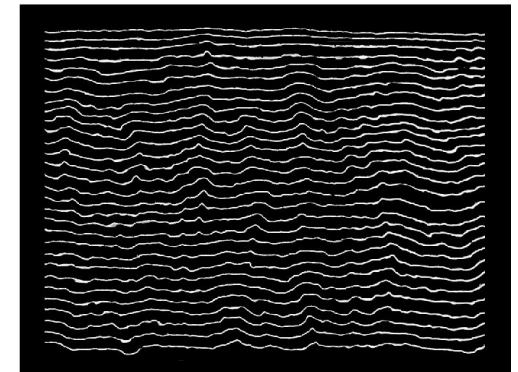
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# 1. Introduction: 1D surface growth

- Paper combustion, bacteria colony, crystal growth, liquid crystal turbulence
- Non-equilibrium statistical mechanics
- Stochastic interacting particle systems
- Integrable systems



## Kardar-Parisi-Zhang(KPZ) equation

1986 Kardar Parisi Zhang

$$\partial_t h(x, t) = \frac{1}{2} \lambda (\partial_x h(x, t))^2 + \nu \partial_x^2 h(x, t) + \sqrt{D} \eta(x, t)$$

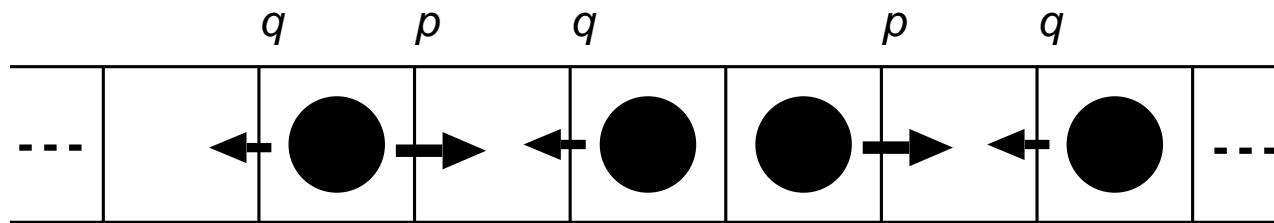
where  $\eta$  is the Gaussian noise with covariance

$$\langle \eta(x, t) \eta(x', t') \rangle = \delta(x - x') \delta(t - t')$$

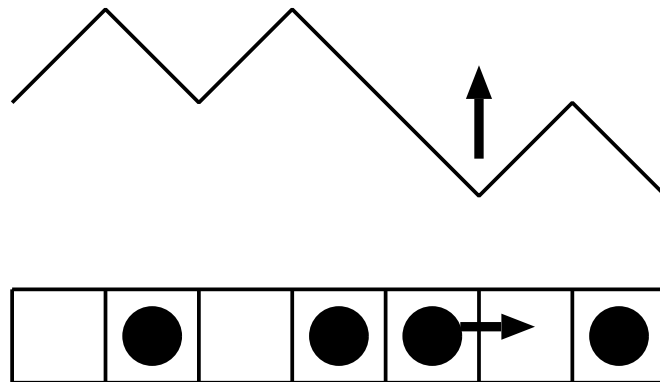
- The Brownian motion is stationary.
- Dynamical RG analysis:  $h(x = 0, t) \simeq vt + c\xi t^{1/3}$   
KPZ universality class
- Now revival: New analytic and experimental developments

## A discrete model: ASEP as a surface growth model

ASEP (asymmetric simple exclusion process)

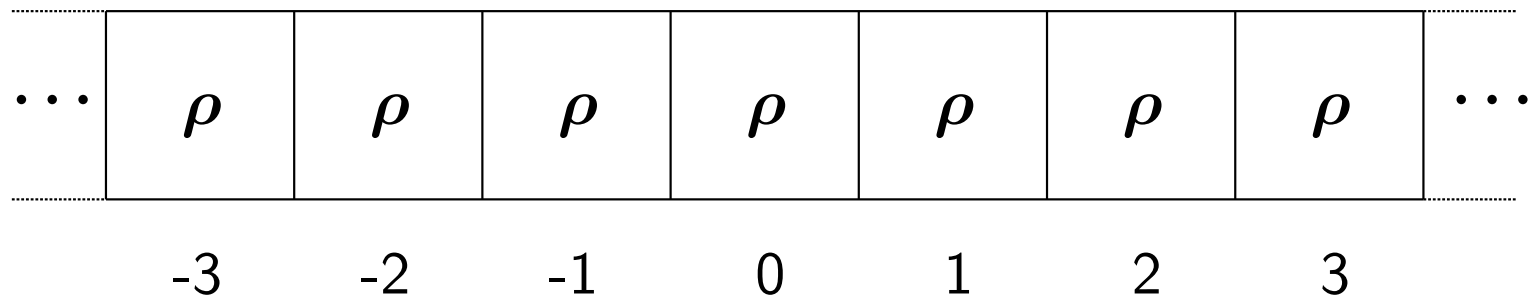


Mapping to surface growth



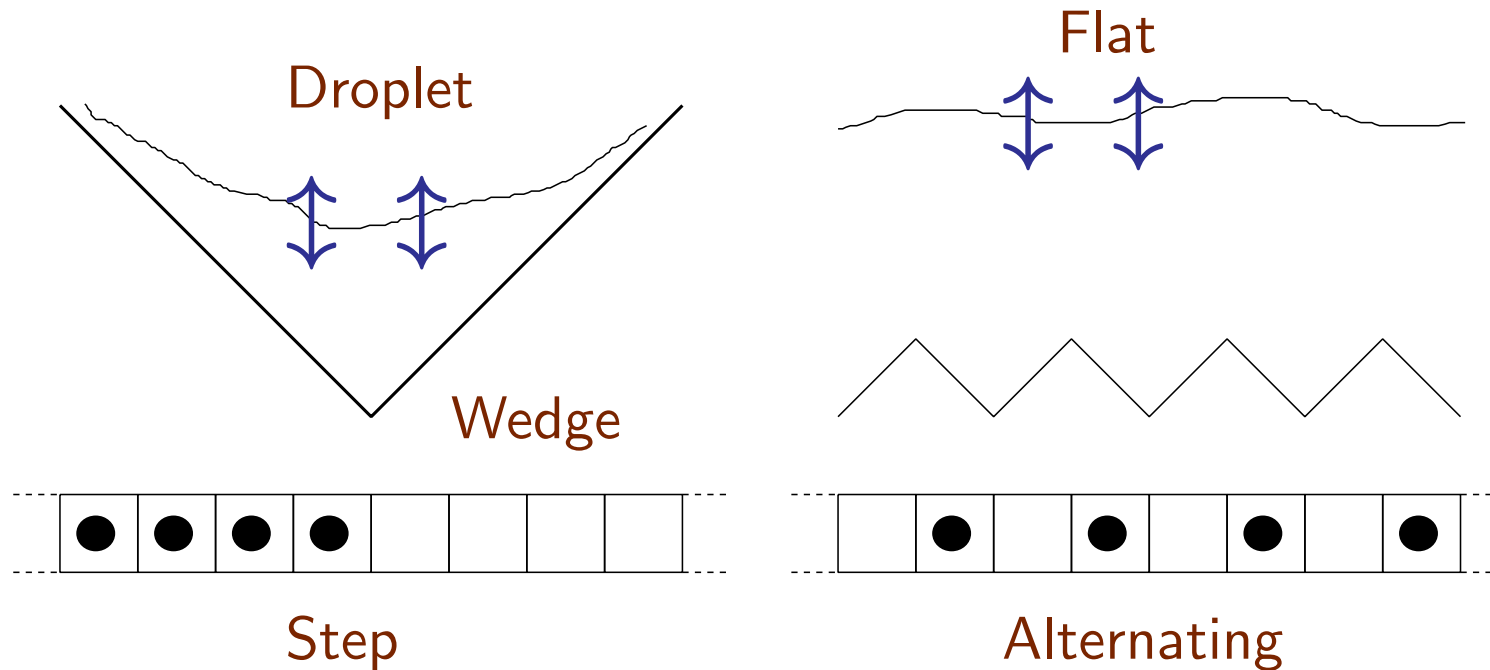
## Stationary measure

**ASEP** ... Bernoulli measure: each site is independent and occupied with prob.  $\rho$  ( $0 < \rho < 1$ ). Current is  $\rho(1 - \rho)$ .



**Surface growth** ... Random walk height profile

Surface growth and 2 initial conditions besides stationary



Integrated current  $N(x, t)$  in ASEP  $\Leftrightarrow$  Height  $h(x, t)$  in surface growth

## Current distributions for ASEP with wedge initial conditions

2000 Johansson (TASEP) 2008 Tracy-Widom (ASEP)

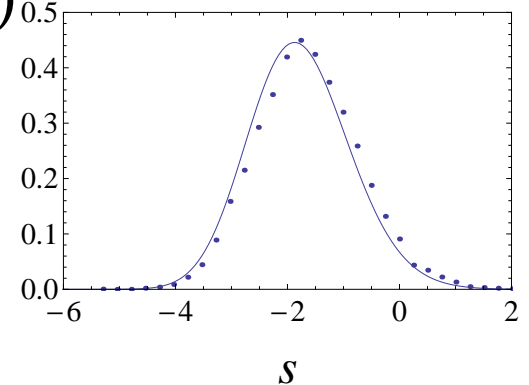
$$N(0, t/(q - p)) \simeq \frac{1}{4}t - 2^{-4/3}t^{1/3}\xi_{\text{TW}}$$

Here  $N(x = 0, t)$  is the integrated current of ASEP at the origin and  $\xi_{\text{TW}}$  obeys the GUE Tracy-Widom distributions;

$$F_{\text{TW}}(s) = \mathbb{P}[\xi_{\text{TW}} \leq s] = \det(1 - P_s K_{\text{Ai}} P_s)$$

where  $K_{\text{Ai}}$  is the Airy kernel

$$K_{\text{Ai}}(x, y) = \int_0^\infty d\lambda \text{Ai}(x + \lambda) \text{Ai}(y + \lambda)$$



Current Fluctuations of ASEP with flat initial conditions: GOE  
TW distribution

More generalizations: stationary case:  $F_0$  distribution, multi-point  
fluctuations, etc

They can be measured experimentally!

The KPZ equation itself can be treated analytically!



## Random matrix theory

**GUE** (Gaussian Unitary Ensemble) hermitian matrices

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} u_{11} & u_{12} + iv_{12} & \cdots & u_{1N} + iv_{1N} \\ u_{12} - iv_{12} & u_{22} & \cdots & u_{2N} + iv_{2N} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ u_{1N} - iv_{1N} & u_{2N} - iv_{2N} & \cdots & u_{NN} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$u_{jj} \sim N(0, 1/2) \quad u_{jk}, v_{jk} \sim N(0, 1/4)$$

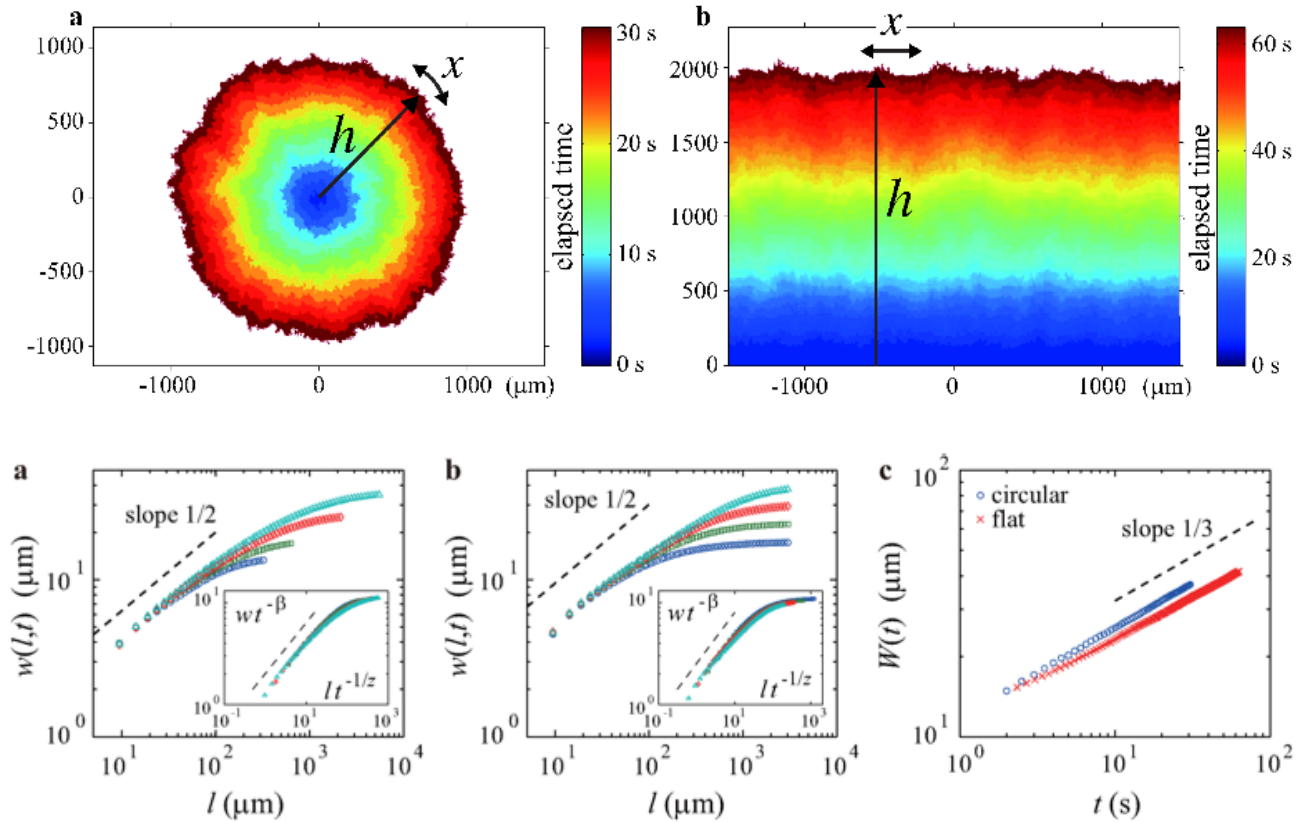
The largest eigenvalue  $x_{\max}$  ... GUE TW distribution

**GOE** (Gaussian Orthogonal Ensemble) real symmetric matrices

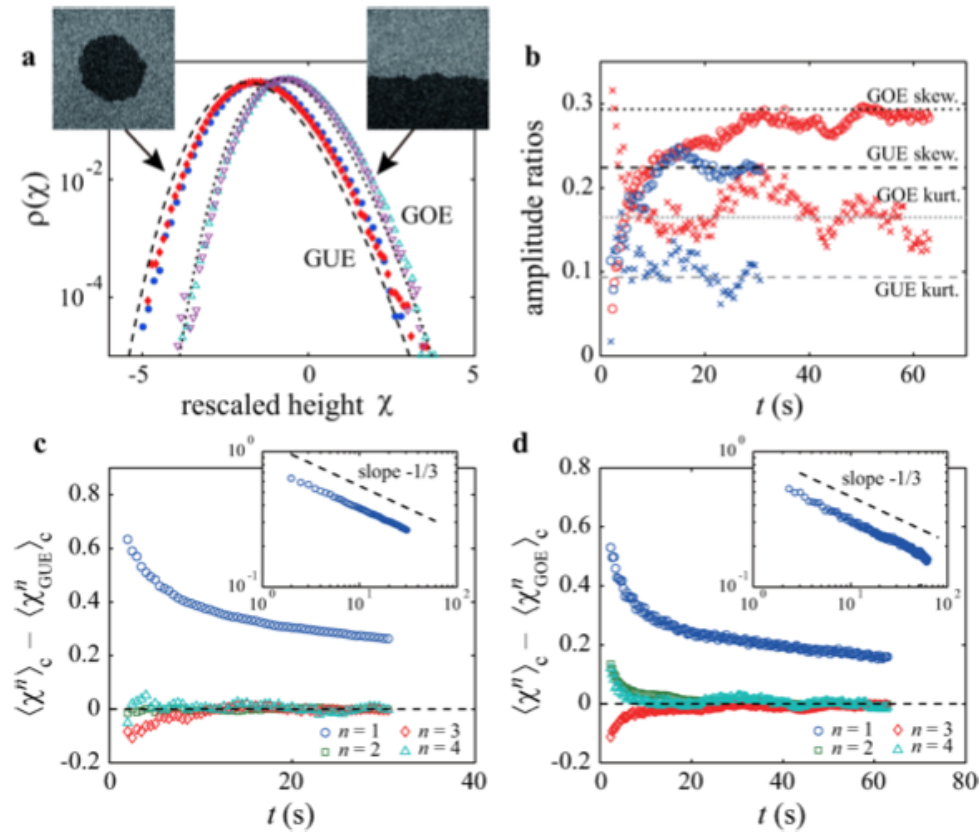
... GOE TW distribution

# Experiments by liquid crystal turbulence

2010-2011 Takeuchi Sano



**Figure 2 | Family-Vicsek scaling.** a,b, Interface width  $w(l, t)$  against the length scale  $l$  at different times  $t$  for the circular (a) and flat (b) interfaces. The four data correspond, from bottom to top, to  $t = 2.0$  s, 4.0 s, 12.0 s and 30.0 s for the panel a and to  $t = 4.0$  s, 10.0 s, 25.0 s and 60.0 s for the panel b. The insets show the same data with the rescaled axes. c, Growth of the overall width  $W(t) \equiv \sqrt{\langle [h(x, t) - \langle h \rangle]^2 \rangle}$ . The dashed lines are guides for the eyes showing the exponent values of the KPZ class.



**Figure 3 | Universal fluctuations.** a, Histogram of the rescaled local height  $\chi = (h - v_{\infty}t)/(\Gamma t)^{1/3}$ . The blue and red solid symbols show the histograms for the circular interfaces at  $t = 10$  s and 30 s; the light blue and purple open symbols are for the flat interfaces at  $t = 20$  s and 60 s, respectively. The dashed and dotted curves show the GUE and GOE TW distributions, respectively. Note that for the GOE TW distribution  $\chi$  is multiplied by  $2^{-1/3}$  in view of the theoretical prediction<sup>31</sup>. b, The skewness (circle) and the kurtosis (cross) of the distribution of the interface fluctuations for the circular (blue) and flat (red) interfaces. The dashed and dotted lines indicate the values of the skewness and the kurtosis of the GUE and GOE TW distributions<sup>31</sup>. c, d, Differences in the cumulants between the experimental data  $\langle \chi^n \rangle_c$  and the corresponding TW distributions  $\langle \chi^n \rangle_{\text{GUE}}$  for the circular interfaces (c) and  $\langle \chi^n \rangle_{\text{GOE}}$  for the flat interfaces (d). The insets show the same data for  $n = 1$  in logarithmic scales. The dashed lines are guides for the eyes with the slope  $-1/3$ .

See Takeuchi Sano Sasamoto Spohn, Sci. Rep. 1,34(2011)

# The narrow wedge KPZ equation

2010 Sasamoto Spohn, Amir Corwin Quastel

- Narrow wedge initial condition
- Based on (i) the fact that the weakly ASEP is KPZ equation (1997 Bertini Giacomin) and (ii) a formula for step ASEP by 2009 Tracy Widom
- The explicit distribution function for finite  $t$
- The KPZ equation is in the KPZ universality class

Before this

2009 Balázs, Quastel, and Seppäläinen

The  $1/3$  exponent for the stationary case

## Narrow wedge initial condition

Scalings

$$x \rightarrow \alpha^2 x, \quad t \rightarrow 2\nu\alpha^4 t, \quad h \rightarrow \frac{\lambda}{2\nu} h$$

where  $\alpha = (2\nu)^{-3/2} \lambda D^{1/2}$ .

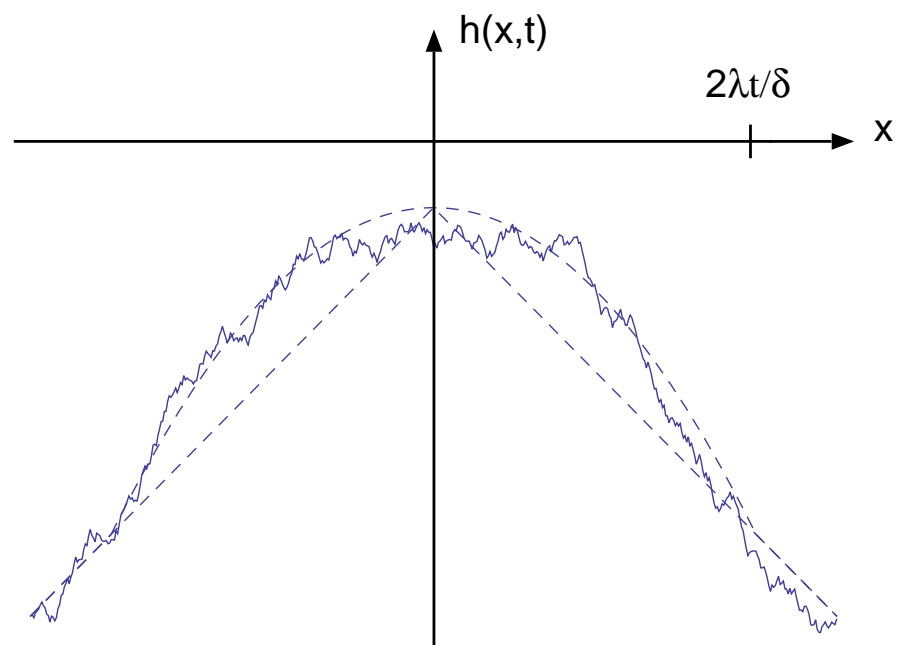
We can and will do set  $\nu = \frac{1}{2}$ ,  $\lambda = D = 1$ .

We consider the droplet growth with macroscopic shape

$$h(x, t) = \begin{cases} -x^2/2t & \text{for } |x| \leq t/\delta, \\ (1/2\delta^2)t - |x|/\delta & \text{for } |x| > t/\delta \end{cases}$$

which corresponds to taking the following narrow wedge initial conditions:

$$h(x, 0) = -|x|/\delta, \quad \delta \ll 1$$



## Distribution

$$h(x, t) = -x^2/2t - \frac{1}{12}\gamma_t^3 + \gamma_t\xi_t$$

where  $\gamma_t = (2t)^{-1/3}$ .

The distribution function of  $\xi_t$

$$F_t(s) = \mathbb{P}[\xi_t \leq s] = 1 - \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \exp \left[ -e^{\gamma_t(s-u)} \right] \\ \times \left( \det(1 - P_u(B_t - P_{\text{Ai}})P_u) - \det(1 - P_u B_t P_u) \right) du$$

where  $P_{\text{Ai}}(x, y) = \text{Ai}(x)\text{Ai}(y)$  .

$P_u$  is the projection onto  $[u, \infty)$  and the kernel  $B_t$  is

$$B_t(x, y) = K_{\text{Ai}}(x, y) + \int_0^\infty d\lambda (e^{\gamma_t \lambda} - 1)^{-1} \\ \times (\text{Ai}(x + \lambda) \text{Ai}(y + \lambda) - \text{Ai}(x - \lambda) \text{Ai}(y - \lambda)) .$$



## Developments (not all!)

- 2010 Calabrese Le Doussal Rosso, Dotsenko Replica
- 2010 Corwin Quastel Half-BM by step Bernoulli ASEP
- 2010 O'Connell A directed polymer model related to quantum Toda lattice
- 2010 Prolhac Spohn Multi-point distributions by replica
- 2011 Calabrese Le Dossal Flat case by replica
- 2011 Corwin et al Tropical RSK for inverse gamma polymer
- 2011 Borodin Corwin Macdonald process
- 2011 Imamura Sasamoto Half-BM and stationary case by replica

## Replica analysis of KPZ equation

- Rederivation of the narrow wedge distribution by 2010 Calabrese Le Doussal Rosso, Dotsenko.

Arrives at the correct formula by way of a divergent sum.  
Now there is a rigorous version for a discrete model.

- In a sense simpler than through ASEP
- Suited for generalisations

Multipoint distributions (2010 Prolhac Spohn), Flat case (2011 Calabrese Le Doussal ), Half-BM (2011 Imamura Sasamoto), Stationary case (2011 Imamura Sasamoto).

## 2. Stationary case

Two sided BM

$$h(x, 0) = \begin{cases} B_-(-x), & x < 0, \\ B_+(x), & x > 0, \end{cases}$$

where  $B_{\pm}(x)$  are two independent standard BMs

We consider a generalized initial condition

$$h(x, 0) = \begin{cases} \tilde{B}(-x) + v_-x, & x < 0, \\ B(x) - v_+x, & x > 0, \end{cases}$$

where  $B(x), \tilde{B}(x)$  are independent standard BMs and  $v_{\pm}$  are the strength of the drifts.

## Result

For the generalized initial condition with  $v_{\pm}$

$$F_{v_{\pm},t}(s) := \text{Prob} \left[ h(x, t) + \gamma_t^3/12 \leq \gamma_t s \right]$$

$$= \frac{\Gamma(v_+ + v_-)}{\Gamma(v_+ + v_- + \gamma_t^{-1} d/ds)} \left[ 1 - \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} du e^{-e\gamma_t(s-u)} \nu_{v_{\pm},t}(u) \right]$$

Here  $\nu_{v_{\pm},t}(u)$  is expressed as a difference of two Fredholm determinants,

$$\nu_{v_{\pm},t}(u) = \det \left( 1 - P_u (B_t^{\Gamma} - P_{\text{Ai}}^{\Gamma}) P_u \right) - \det \left( 1 - P_u B_t^{\Gamma} P_u \right),$$

where  $P_s$  represents the projection onto  $(s, \infty)$ ,

$$P_{\text{Ai}}^{\Gamma}(\xi_1, \xi_2) = \text{Ai}_{\Gamma}^{\Gamma} \left( \xi_1, \frac{1}{\gamma_t}, v_-, v_+ \right) \text{Ai}_{\Gamma}^{\Gamma} \left( \xi_2, \frac{1}{\gamma_t}, v_+, v_- \right)$$

$$B_t^\Gamma(\xi_1, \xi_2) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} dy \frac{1}{1 - e^{-\gamma_t y}} \text{Ai}_\Gamma^\Gamma \left( \xi_1 + y, \frac{1}{\gamma_t}, v_-, v_+ \right) \\ \times \text{Ai}_\Gamma^\Gamma \left( \xi_2 + y, \frac{1}{\gamma_t}, v_+, v_- \right),$$

and

$$\text{Ai}_\Gamma^\Gamma(a, b, c, d) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{\Gamma_{i\frac{d}{b}}} dz e^{iz a + i\frac{z^3}{3}} \frac{\Gamma(ibz + d)}{\Gamma(-ibz + c)},$$

where  $\Gamma_{z_p}$  represents the contour from  $-\infty$  to  $\infty$  and, along the way, passing below the pole at  $z = id/b$ .

## Height distribution for the stationary KPZ equation

$$F_{0,t}(s) = \frac{1}{\Gamma(1 + \gamma_t^{-1} d/ds)} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} du \gamma_t e^{\gamma_t(s-u) + e^{-\gamma_t(s-u)}} \nu_{0,t}(u)$$

where  $\nu_{0,t}(u)$  is obtained from  $\nu_{v_{\pm},t}(u)$  by taking  $v_{\pm} \rightarrow 0$  limit.

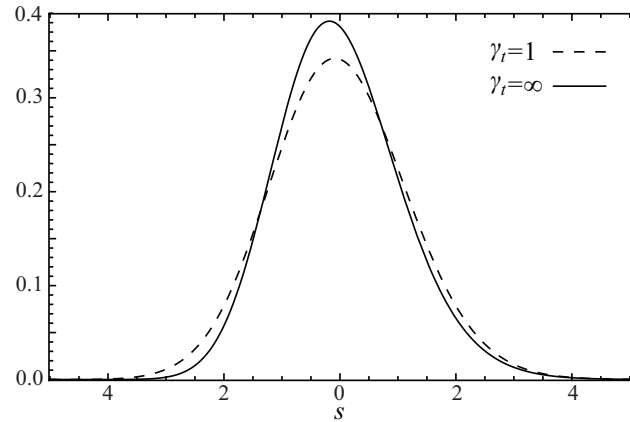


Figure 1: Stationary height distributions for the KPZ equation for  $\gamma_t = 1$  case. The solid curve is  $F_0$ .

## Stationary 2pt correlation function

$$C(x, t) = \langle (h(x, t) - \langle h(x, t) \rangle)^2 \rangle$$

$$g_t(y) = (2t)^{-2/3} C \left( (2t)^{2/3} y, t \right)$$

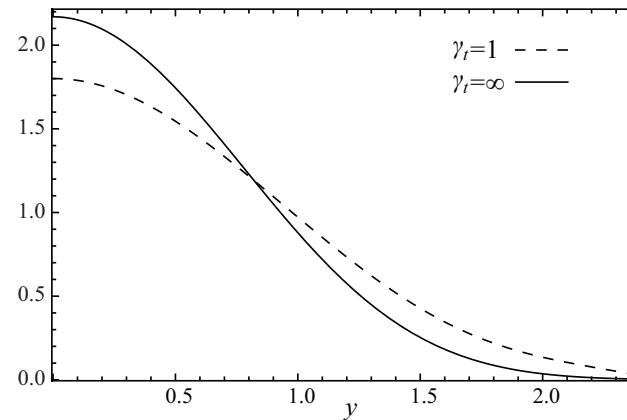


Figure 2: Stationary 2pt correlation function  $g''_t(y)$  for  $\gamma_t = 1$ . The solid curve is the corresponding quantity in the scaling limit  $g''(y)$ .

## Derivation

Cole-Hopf transformation

1997 Bertini and Giacomin

$$h(x, t) = \log (Z(x, t))$$

$Z(x, t)$  is the solution of the stochastic heat equation,

$$\frac{\partial Z(x, t)}{\partial t} = \frac{1}{2} \frac{\partial^2 Z(x, t)}{\partial x^2} + \eta(x, t) Z(x, t).$$

and can be considered as directed polymer in random potential  $\eta$ .

cf. Hairer Well-posedness of KPZ equation without Cole-Hopf



## Feynmann-Kac and Generating function

Feynmann-Kac expression for the partition function,

$$Z(x, t) = \mathbb{E}_x \left( \exp \left[ \int_0^t \eta(b(s), t-s) ds \right] Z(b(t), 0) \right)$$

We consider the  $N$ th replica partition function  $\langle Z^N(x, t) \rangle$  and compute their generating function  $G_t(s)$  defined as

$$G_t(s) = \sum_{N=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-e^{-\gamma_t s})^N}{N!} \langle Z^N(0, t) \rangle e^{N \frac{\gamma_t^3}{12}}$$

with  $\gamma_t = (t/2)^{1/3}$ .

## $\delta$ -Bose gas

Taking the Gaussian average over the noise  $\eta$ , one finds that the replica partition function can be written as

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \langle Z^N(x, t) \rangle \\
 &= \prod_{j=1}^N \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} dy_j \int_{x_j(0)=y_j}^{x_j(t)=x} D[x_j(\tau)] \exp \left[ - \int_0^t d\tau \left( \sum_{j=1}^N \frac{1}{2} \left( \frac{dx}{d\tau} \right)^2 \right. \right. \\
 & \quad \left. \left. - \sum_{j \neq k=1}^N \delta(x_j(\tau) - x_k(\tau)) \right) \right] \times \left\langle \exp \left( \sum_{k=1}^N h(y_k, 0) \right) \right\rangle \\
 &= \langle x | e^{-H_N t} | \Phi \rangle.
 \end{aligned}$$

$H_N$  is the Hamiltonian of the  $\delta$ -Bose gas,

$$H_N = -\frac{1}{2} \sum_{j=1}^N \frac{\partial^2}{\partial x_j^2} - \frac{1}{2} \sum_{j \neq k}^N \delta(x_j - x_k),$$

$|\Phi\rangle$  represents the state corresponding to the initial condition. We compute  $\langle Z^N(x, t) \rangle$  by expanding in terms of the eigenstates of  $H_N$ ,

$$\langle Z(x, t)^N \rangle = \sum_z \langle x | \Psi_z \rangle \langle \Psi_z | \Phi \rangle e^{-E_z t}$$

where  $E_z$  and  $|\Psi_z\rangle$  are the eigenvalue and the eigenfunction of  $H_N$ :  $H_N |\Psi_z\rangle = E_z |\Psi_z\rangle$ .

The state  $|\Phi\rangle$  can be calculated because the initial condition is Gaussian. For the region where  $x_1 < \dots < x_l < 0 < x_{l+1} < \dots < x_N, 1 \leq l \leq N$  it is given by

$$\begin{aligned} \langle x_1, \dots, x_N | \Phi \rangle &= e^{v - \sum_{j=1}^l x_j - v + \sum_{j=l+1}^N x_j} \\ &\times \prod_{j=1}^l e^{\frac{1}{2}(2l-2j+1)x_j} \prod_{j=1}^{N-l} e^{\frac{1}{2}(N-l-2j+1)x_{l+j}} \end{aligned}$$

We symmetrize wrt  $x_1, \dots, x_N$ .

## Bethe states

By the Bethe ansatz, the eigenfunction is given as

$$\langle x_1, \dots, x_N | \Psi_z \rangle = C_z \sum_{P \in S_N} \text{sgn} P \times \prod_{1 \leq j < k \leq N} (z_{P(j)} - z_{P(k)} + i \text{sgn}(x_j - x_k)) \exp \left( i \sum_{l=1}^N z_{P(l)} x_l \right)$$

$N$  momenta  $z_j$  ( $1 \leq j \leq N$ ) are parametrized as

$$z_j = q_\alpha - \frac{i}{2} (n_\alpha + 1 - 2r_\alpha), \quad \text{for } j = \sum_{\beta=1}^{\alpha-1} n_\beta + r_\alpha.$$

( $1 \leq \alpha \leq M$  and  $1 \leq r_\alpha \leq n_\alpha$ ). They are divided into  $M$  groups where  $1 \leq M \leq N$  and the  $\alpha$ th group consists of  $n_\alpha$  quasimomenta  $z'_j$ s which shares the common real part  $q_\alpha$ .

$$C_z = \left( \frac{\prod_{\alpha=1}^M n_{\alpha}}{N!} \prod_{1 \leq j < k \leq N} \frac{1}{|z_j - z_k - i|^2} \right)^{1/2}$$

$$E_z = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{j=1}^N z_j^2 = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{\alpha=1}^M n_{\alpha} q_{\alpha}^2 - \frac{1}{24} \sum_{\alpha=1}^M (n_{\alpha}^3 - n_{\alpha}) .$$

Expanding the moment in terms of the Bethe states, we have

$$\begin{aligned} & \langle Z^N(x, t) \rangle \\ &= \sum_{M=1}^N \frac{N!}{M!} \prod_{j=1}^N \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} dy_j \left( \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \prod_{\alpha=1}^M \frac{dq_{\alpha}}{2\pi} \sum_{n_{\alpha}=1}^{\infty} \right) \delta_{\sum_{\beta=1}^M n_{\beta}, N} \\ & \quad \times e^{-E_z t} \langle x | \Psi_z \rangle \langle \Psi_z | y_1, \dots, y_N \rangle \langle y_1, \dots, y_N | \Phi \rangle . \end{aligned}$$

The completeness of Bethe states was proved by [Prolhac Spohn](#)

We see

$$\begin{aligned}
\langle \Psi_z | \Phi \rangle &= N! C_z \sum_{P \in S_N} \text{sgn} P \prod_{1 \leq j < k \leq N} \left( z_{P(j)}^* - z_{P(k)}^* + i \right) \\
&\times \sum_{l=0}^N (-1)^l \prod_{m=1}^l \frac{1}{\sum_{j=1}^m (-i z_{P_j}^* + v_-) - m^2/2} \\
&\times \prod_{m=1}^{N-l} \frac{1}{\sum_{j=N-m+1}^N (-i z_{P_j}^* - v_+) + m^2/2}.
\end{aligned}$$

## Combinatorial identities

(1)

$$\begin{aligned} & \sum_{P \in S_N} \operatorname{sgn} P \prod_{1 \leq j < k \leq N} (w_{P(j)} - w_{P(k)} + i f(j, k)) \\ &= N! \prod_{1 \leq j < k \leq N} (w_j - w_k) \end{aligned}$$



(2) For any complex numbers  $w_j$  ( $1 \leq j \leq N$ ) and  $a$ ,

$$\begin{aligned}
& \sum_{P \in S_N} \text{sgn} P \prod_{1 \leq j < k \leq N} (w_{P(j)} - w_{P(k)} + a) \\
& \times \sum_{l=0}^N (-1)^l \prod_{m=1}^l \frac{1}{\sum_{j=1}^m (w_{P(j)} + v_-) - m^2 a/2} \\
& \times \prod_{m=1}^{N-l} \frac{1}{\sum_{j=N-m+1}^N (w_{P(j)} - v_+) + m^2 a/2} \\
& = \frac{\prod_{m=1}^N (v_+ + v_- - am) \prod_{1 \leq j < k \leq N} (w_j - w_k)}{\prod_{m=1}^N (w_m + v_- - a/2)(w_m - v_+ + a/2)}.
\end{aligned}$$

A similar identity in the context of ASEP has not been found.

## Generating function

$$\begin{aligned}
 G_t(s) = & \sum_{N=0}^{\infty} \prod_{l=1}^N (v_+ + v_- - l) \sum_{M=1}^N \frac{(-e^{-\gamma_t s})^N}{M!} \\
 & \prod_{\alpha=1}^M \left( \int_0^{\infty} d\omega_{\alpha} \sum_{n_{\alpha}=1}^{\infty} \right) \delta_{\sum_{\beta=1}^M n_{\beta}, N} \\
 & \det \left( \int_C \frac{dq}{\pi} \frac{e^{-\gamma_t^3 n_j q^2 + \frac{\gamma_t^3}{12} n_j^3 - n_j(\omega_j + \omega_k) - 2iq(\omega_j - \omega_k)}}{\prod_{r=1}^{n_j} (-iq + v_- + \frac{1}{2}(n_j - 2r))(iq + v_+ + \frac{1}{2}(n_j - 2r))} \right)
 \end{aligned}$$

where the contour is  $C = \mathbb{R} - ic$  with  $c$  taken large enough.

This generating function itself is not a Fredholm determinant due to the novel factor  $\prod_{l=1}^N (v_+ + v_- - l)$ .

We consider a further generalized initial condition in which the initial overall height  $\chi$  obeys a certain probability distribution.

$$\tilde{h} = h + \chi$$

where  $h$  is the original height for which  $h(0, 0) = 0$ . The random variable  $\chi$  is taken to be independent of  $h$ .

**Moments**

$$\langle e^{N\tilde{h}} \rangle = \langle e^{Nh} \rangle \langle e^{N\chi} \rangle.$$

We postulate that  $\chi$  is distributed as the inverse gamma distribution with parameter  $v_+ + v_-$ , i.e., if  $1/\chi$  obeys the gamma distribution with the same parameter. Its  $N$ th moment is  $1/\prod_{l=1}^N (v_+ + v_- - l)$  which compensates the extra factor.

## Distributions

$$F(s) = \frac{1}{\kappa(\gamma_t^{-1} \frac{d}{ds})} \tilde{F}(s),$$

where  $\tilde{F}(s) = \text{Prob}[\tilde{h}(\mathbf{0}, t) \leq \gamma_t s]$ ,

$F(s) = \text{Prob}[h(\mathbf{0}, t) \leq \gamma_t s]$  and  $\kappa$  is the Laplace transform of the pdf of  $\chi$ . For the inverse gamma distribution,  $\kappa(\xi) = \Gamma(v + \xi)/\Gamma(v)$ , by which we get the formula for the generating function.

## Summary

- 1D KPZ equation is now under revival.
- Replica analysis is suitable for various generalizations.  
For KPZ replica analysis could be made rigorous.
- Explicit formulas for the stationary measure.  
Height distribution and two point correlation function.
- Generalization to ASEP? In Macdonald setting?