

# RANDOM MATRICES, INTERFACES AND HYDRODYNAMICS SINGULARITIES

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# List of Objects

- Random Matrix Models: Equilibrium Measure;
- Geometrical Growth Models;
- Orthogonal Polynomials: **Distribution of zeros**;
- Hydrodynamics Singularities;

## Normal Random Matrices

Normal matrix  $M \Leftrightarrow [M, M^\dagger] = 0 \Leftrightarrow$  diagonalizable by a unitary transform.

$$M = U^{-1} \text{diag}(z_1, \dots, z_N) U, \quad z_i - \text{complex}$$

The eigenvalues of  $N \times N$  normal matrices with the probability distribution

$$\text{Prob}(M) dM = \frac{1}{Z} e^{-\frac{1}{\hbar} \text{Tr} Q(M)} dM$$

distributes by the probability density

$$P(z_1, \dots, z_N) = \frac{1}{Z} \left| \prod_{j < k}^n (z_j - z_k) \right|^2 \exp \left( -\frac{1}{\hbar} \sum_{j=1}^N Q(z_j) \right),$$

**Q1.** What is the distribution of eigenvalues for

$$\hbar \rightarrow 0, \quad N \rightarrow \infty, \quad t = \hbar N = \text{fixed?}$$

The answer depends on the potential  $Q$ .

## 2D Dyson's Diffusion

Brownian motion of a Normal Matrix

$$\dot{M} = M^\dagger + V'(M) + \text{Brownian Motion}$$

Eigenvalues (complex) perform 2D Dyson diffusion

$$\dot{z}_i = \sum_{i \neq j} \frac{\hbar}{\bar{z}_i - \bar{z}_j} + \bar{z}_i + V'(z_i) + \dot{\xi}_i, \quad \langle \xi_i(t) \bar{\xi}_j(t') \rangle = 4\delta_{ij}(t - t').$$

Probability  $\frac{1}{Z} e^{-\frac{1}{\hbar} \text{Tr } Q(M)}$  is the Gibbs distribution of Dyson's diffusion.

Depending on  $V'$  there may or not be Gibbs distribution.

# Ginibre Ensemble and its deformations

$$P(z_1, \dots, z_N) = \frac{1}{\mathcal{Z}} \left| \prod_{j < k}^n (z_j - z_k) \right|^2 \exp \left( -\frac{1}{\hbar} \sum_{j=1}^N Q(z_j) \right),$$

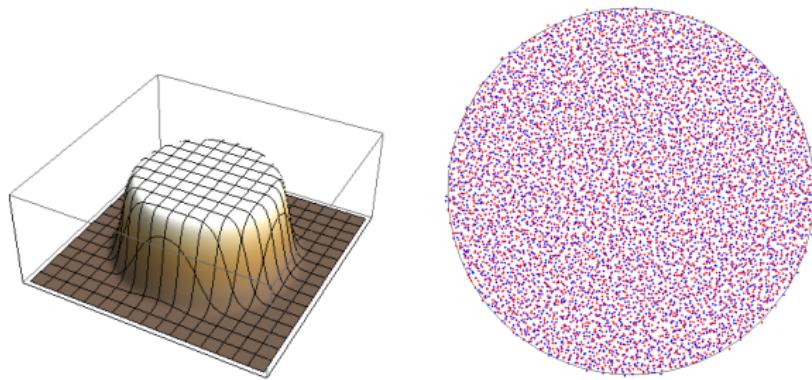
A choice of  $Q(z)$  - **Gaussian** plus **harmonic** function when  $V$  is holomorphic.

Ginibre ensemble:  $Q(z) = |z|^2,$

Deformed Ginibre ensemble:  $Q(z) = |z|^2 + V(z) + \overline{V(z)},$   
 $\Delta Q = 4.$

# Ginibre Ensemble

$$Q = |z|^2$$



Support is the disk of the area  $\pi \hbar N$

# Equilibrium measure

Continuum limit:

$$\rho(z) = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{j=1}^N \delta(z - z_j)$$

$$\langle \rho \rangle = \frac{\Delta Q}{4 \text{ Area}} = \frac{1}{\text{Area}} \quad \text{on the support of } \rho.$$

What is support of density?

It depends on the deformation holomorphic function  $V(z)$

The eigenvalues are **2D Coulomb interacting electrons**:

$$\frac{1}{Z_n} e^{-\frac{1}{\hbar} E(z_1, \dots, z_N)}, \quad \frac{1}{\hbar} E(z_1, \dots, z_N) := \frac{1}{\hbar} \sum_{j=1}^N Q(z_j) - 2 \sum_{j < k} \log |z_j - z_k|.$$

**Continuum limit:** Defining  $\rho(z) = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{j=1}^N \delta(z - z_j)$ , we have

$$E(z_1, \dots, z_n) = \hbar N \left( \int_{\mathbb{C}} Q(z') \rho(z') d^2 z' - \hbar N \iint_{\mathbb{C}^2} \rho(z) \rho(z') \log |z - z'| d^2 z d^2 z' \right).$$

the condition for the optimal configuration is obtained when

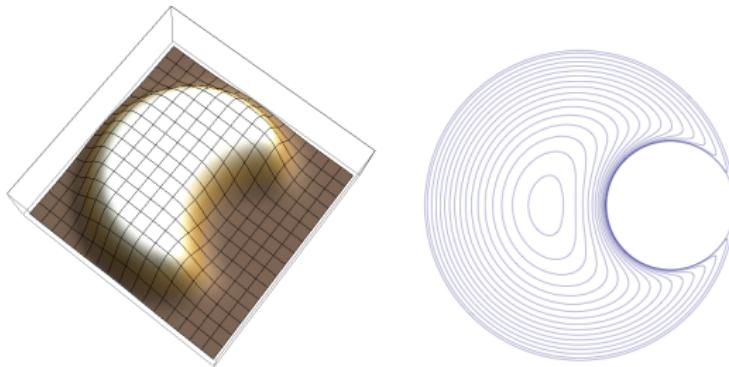
$$0 = Q(z) - \hbar N \int_{\mathbb{D}} \log |z - z'| \rho(z') d^2 z' \quad \text{on the support of } \rho.$$

Applying Laplace operator

$$\boxed{\rho(z) = \frac{1}{\pi \hbar N} = \frac{1}{\text{Area}} \quad \text{on the support of } \rho.}$$

## Bratwurst

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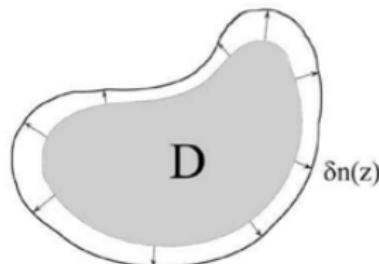


# Growth

Change the size of the matrix

$$N \rightarrow N + n$$

Area of Equilibrium measure changes  $t \rightarrow t + \delta t$ ,  $\delta t = \pi \hbar n$



Q: What is the velocity?

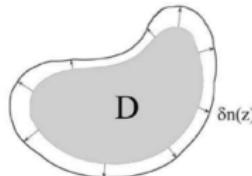
## Growth process

Area  $t := \pi N \hbar$  is identified with time.

Define the Newtonian potential  $U(z)$  by

$$U(z) = t \int_{\mathbf{D}} \log |z - w| d^2 w$$

Equilibrium condition:



$$\pi Q(z) = U(z), \quad \text{inside } \mathbf{D},$$

$$\bar{z} = \partial_z U, \quad \text{inside } \mathbf{D},$$

$$\frac{d}{dt} \bar{z} = \text{velocity} = \partial_z \left[ \frac{d}{dt} U(z) \right], \quad \text{on the boundary}$$

$\frac{d}{dt} U(z)$  is a harmonic function outside  $\mathbf{D}$ ,

$$\frac{d}{dt} U(z) = \log |z| + O(1), \quad z \rightarrow \infty,$$

$$\frac{d}{dt} U(z) = 0 \text{ on } \partial \mathbf{D},$$

Velocity of the boundary  $= \frac{d}{dt} U(z)$  is the **Harmonic Measure** of  $\mathbf{D}$

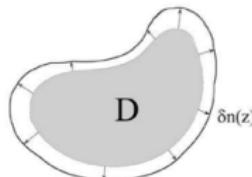
## Harmonic measure: Brownian excursion with a free boundary

A probability for BM to arrive on an element of the boundary is a harmonic measure of the boundary:

Probability to land on  $ds$  :

$$\left| \frac{df}{dz} \right| = |\nabla_n G(z, \infty)| ds, \quad z \in \partial D$$
$$-\Delta G(z, z') = \delta(z - z'), \quad G|_{z \in \partial D} = 0$$

$f(z)$  is a univalent map from the exterior  
of the domain to the exterior of the unit circle



# Geometrical (Laplacian) Growth

## Hele-Shaw Problem



HS Hele-Shaw, inventor of the Hele-Shaw cell  
(and the variable-pitch propeller)

## Physical setup 1898

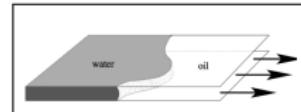
- Navier-Stokes Equation:

$$\dot{v} + (v \cdot \nabla)v = \rho^{-1}\nabla p + \mu\Delta v$$

- Small Reynolds number - no inertia  $0 = \rho^{-1}\nabla p + \mu\Delta v$

- incompressibility:

$$\rho = \text{const}, \quad \nabla \cdot v = 0;$$



- 2D Geometry - Poiseuille's law:

$$\Delta v \approx \partial_z^2 v \approx \frac{v}{d^2} \Rightarrow v = -\frac{d^2}{12\mu} p;$$

- no viscosity on the boundary:  
 $\Rightarrow p = 0$  on the boundary.

Darcy Law:  $v = -\nabla p, \quad \Delta p = 0; \quad p|_{\partial D} = 0; \quad p|_{\infty} = -\log |z|$

# Experiment: Hele-Shaw cell, Fingering instability

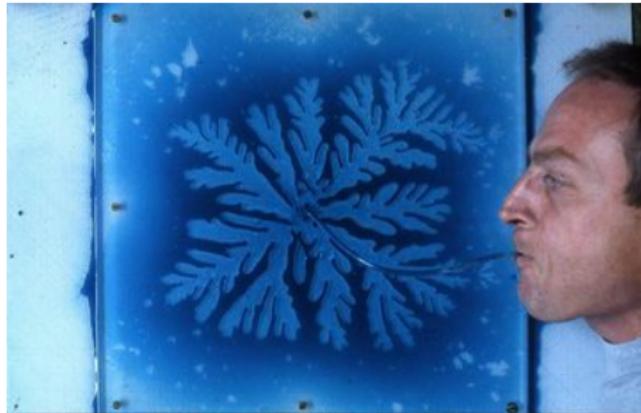


FIGURE: Viscous incompressible fluid pushed out by inviscid incompressible fluid

Blow hard, otherwise the surface tension will take over.

# Fingering Instability

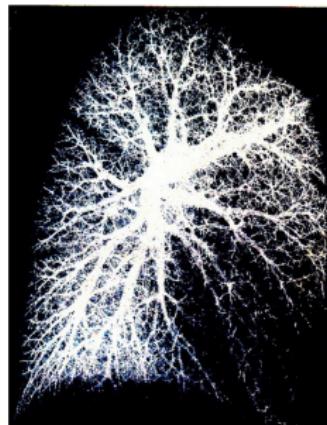
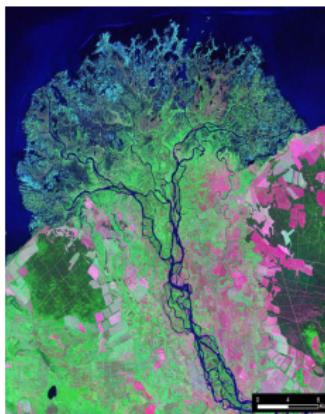


FIGURE: Flame (no convection),      Serenga river (Russia),      Lung vessels

# Cusp-Singularities

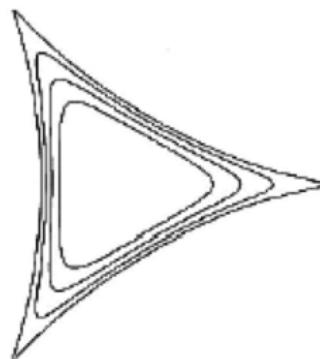
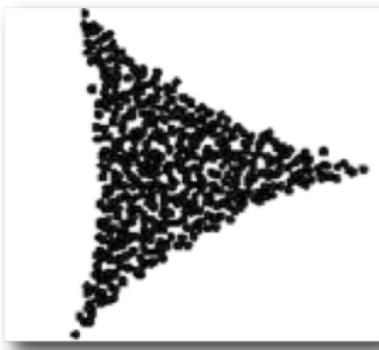


FIGURE: Cusp: end of a smooth growth

## Cusp-Singularities: Growing Deltoid

$$P(z_1, \dots, z_N) = \frac{1}{Z} \left| \prod_{j < k}^n (z_j - z_k) \right|^2 \exp \left( -\frac{1}{\hbar} \sum_{j=1}^N Q(z_j) \right),$$

Deformed Ginibre ensemble:  $Q(z) = |z|^2 + t_3 z^3 + \overline{t_3 z^3}$



Hypotrochoid grows until it reaches a critical point.

# Cusp-Singularities

Deformed Ginibre ensemble:  $Q(z) = |z|^2 + V(z) + \overline{V(z)}$



Almost any deformation leads to a cusp singularity:  $y^p \sim x^q$

The most generic is (2,3)- singularity

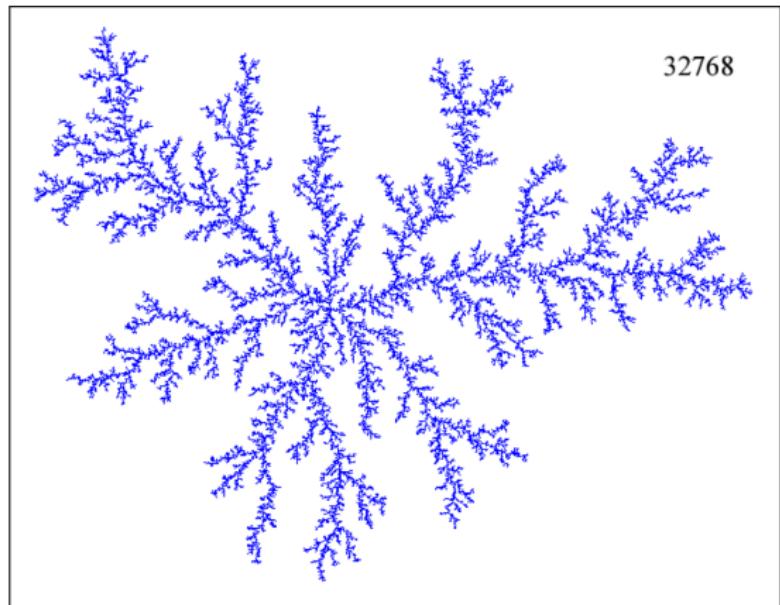
$$y^2 \sim x^3$$

## Diffusion limited aggregation (DLA)

Fractal pattern with  
(numerically computed)  
dimension

$$D_H = 1.71004\dots$$

Structure of this pattern is  
the main problem one the  
subject



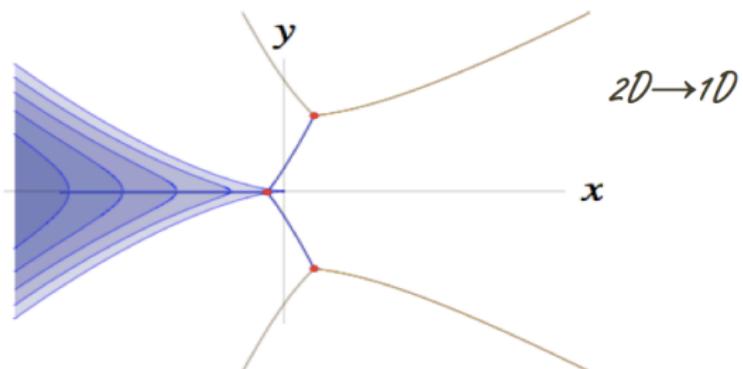
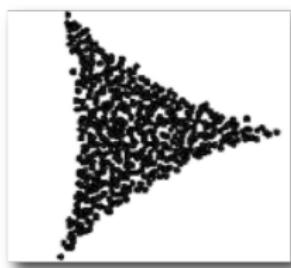
## Zeros of Complexified Orthogonal Polynomials

## Unstable Diffusion

$V = t_3 z^3$  - an example when the integral  $\int e^{-\frac{1}{h} \text{tr} Q} dM$  diverges, there is no Gibbs distribution:

$$\dot{z}_i = \sum_{i \neq j} \frac{\hbar}{\bar{z}_i - \bar{z}_j} + \bar{z}_i + V'(z_i) + \dot{\xi}_i, \quad \langle \xi_i(t) \bar{\xi}_j(t') \rangle = 4\delta_{ij}(t - t').$$

Particle escape. One keeps to pump particles to compensate escaping particles.



## Bi-orthogonal polynomials and growth process

The measure for the subset of the eigenvalues,  $z_1, \dots, z_k$ , ( $k \leq n$ ), is given by

$$P(z_1, \dots, z_N) = \frac{1}{\mathcal{Z}} \left| \prod_{j < k}^n (z_j - z_k) \right|^2 \exp \left( -\frac{1}{\hbar} \sum_{j=1}^N Q(z_j) \right),$$

Bi-orthogonal polynomials  $p_j = z^j + \dots$

$$h_j \delta_{ij} = \int_{\mathbb{C}} p_i(z) \overline{p_j(z)} e^{-\frac{1}{\hbar} Q(z)} d^2 z.$$

Polynomial

$$p_n(z) = \langle \prod_j (z - z_j) \rangle = \int \prod_j (z - z_j) P(z_1, \dots, z_N) d^2 z_1 \dots d^2 z_N$$

**Q:** What is the asymptotic distribution of the roots of  $p_n(z)$  for  $n \rightarrow \infty$ ,  $\hbar \rightarrow 0$ ?

# Christoffel - Darboux formula

Density

$$\rho_N(z) = \frac{1}{N} \left\langle \sum_j \delta(z - z_j) \right\rangle = \int P(z; z_2, \dots, z_N) d^2z_2 \dots d^2z_N$$

Christoffel - Darboux formula

$$\boxed{\rho_{N+1} - \rho_N(z) = |\Psi_N(z)|^2}$$

where

$$\Psi_n(z) = h_n^{-1/2} e^{\frac{1}{h_n} \left( -\frac{1}{2} |z|^2 + V(z) \right)} p_n(z)$$

are weighted orthogonal polynomials

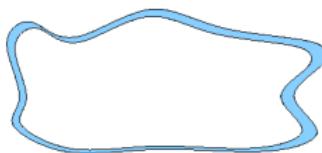
$$\delta_{nm} = \int \Psi_n(z) \overline{\Psi_m(z)} d^2z$$

$|\Psi_n|^2$  can be seen as a velocity of growth.

# Asymptotes of Orthogonal Polynomials solve the growth problem solve

Important result: At a properly defined  $n \rightarrow \infty$

$|\Psi_n(z)|^2$  is localized on  $\partial D$  and proportional to the width of the infinitesimal strip:

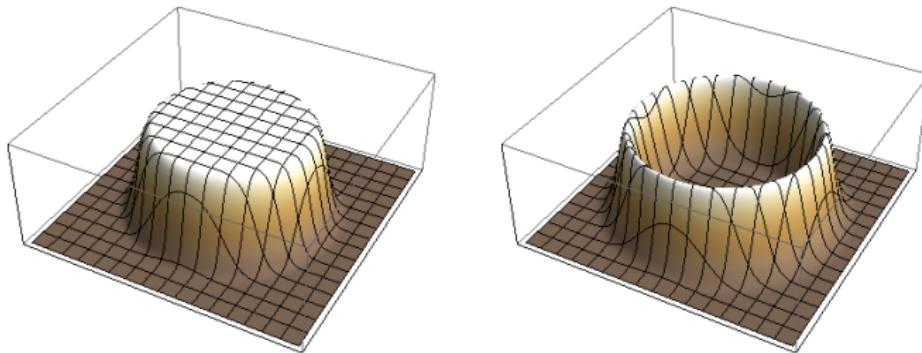


$$z \in \partial D : \quad |\Psi_n(z)|^2 |dz| \sim |f'(z)dz| \approx \text{Harmonic measure}$$

## The simplest example: Circle

When  $V(z) = 0$  the orthogonal polynomials are simply

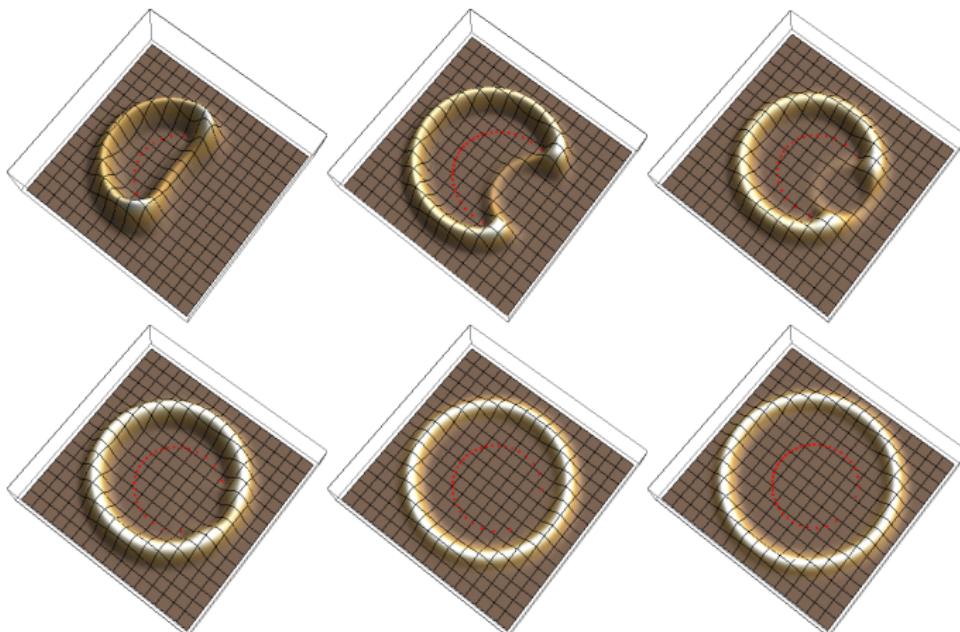
$$\Psi_n(z) \propto z^n e^{-\frac{1}{n}|z|^2}$$



The difference between the consecutive kernels  $|\Psi_n(z)|^2$  is localized on  $\partial D$  and proportional to the width of the infinitesimal strip.

## Another example: Bratwurst

Take  $V(z) = -c \log(z - a)$  such that  $Q(z) = |z|^2 - 2c \log |z - a|$  ( $c > 0$ ).



The plots of  $p_n(z)\overline{p_n(z)}e^{-NQ(z)}$  for various times.

# Zeros of Orthogonal Polynomials

- Szego theorem:

Zeros of Orthogonal Polynomials with real coefficients defined on  $\mathbb{R}$  are distributed on  $\mathbb{R}$ .

- Zeros of Orthogonal Polynomials with real coefficients defined on  $\mathbb{C}$  are distributed on  $\mathbb{C}$ .

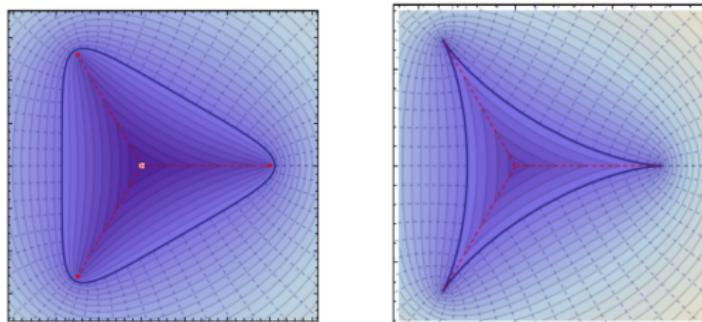


FIGURE: Deltoid:  $Q(z) = |z|^2 + t_3 z^3 + \overline{t_3} z^3$

## Balayage

A minimal body (an open curve) which produces the same Newton potential as a domain  $D$  - *mother body* -  $\Gamma$

$$\int \int_D \log |z-w| d^2w = \oint_{\Gamma} \log |z-w| \sigma(w) |dw|$$

$$z \in \Gamma : \quad S(z)dz = \sigma(z)|dz|$$

A graph  $\Gamma$ :

$$\Omega = \int^z S(z') dz'$$

Level lines of  $\Omega$ :

$$\operatorname{Re}\Omega(z)|_{\Gamma} = 0, \quad \operatorname{Re}\Omega(z)|_{z \rightarrow \Gamma} > 0;$$

are branch cuts drawn such that jump of  $S(z)$  is imaginary.

Balayage reduces the domain to a curve  $\Gamma$

# Zeros of Orthogonal Polynomials

Important result:

A locus of zeros of Orthogonal Polynomials is identical to balayage

$$\Psi \sim f'(z) \sum_{\text{all branches of } \Omega} (\text{Stokes coefficients})_k e^{-\frac{1}{h} \Omega_k(z)}$$

A graph of zeros is identical to level lines of  $\Omega$

$$\operatorname{Re}\Omega(z)|_{\Gamma} = 0, \quad \operatorname{Re}\Omega(z)|_{z \rightarrow \Gamma} > 0;$$

# Boutroux Curves

Definition:

$(\bar{z}, S(z))$  : Real Riemann surface

$$d\Omega = S(z)dz$$

$$\operatorname{Re} \oint_{B-\text{cycles}} d\Omega = 0 - \text{all periods are imaginary}$$

number of conditions - number of parameters =  $g$  - there is no general proof that these curves exist.

Important result:

Zeros of Orthogonal Polynomials are distributed along levels of Boutroux curves

A graph  $\Gamma$  :  $\operatorname{Re}\Omega(z)|_{\Gamma} = 0$ ,  $\operatorname{Re}\Omega(z)|_{z \rightarrow \Gamma} > 0$ ;

## Summary: Geometrical aspects of Random Matrix ensemble

- Given a holomorphic function  $V(z)$  construct a domain  $D$  whose exterior Cauchy transform  $\frac{1}{\pi} \int \frac{d^2w}{z-w} = V'$ . Domain  $D$  is the support of the equilibrium measure;
- Weighted polynomial  $|\Psi_N| = e^{-\frac{1}{2\hbar}Q} p_N$  achieves the maximum on the boundary of the domain.

Its height is a harmonic measure of the domain.

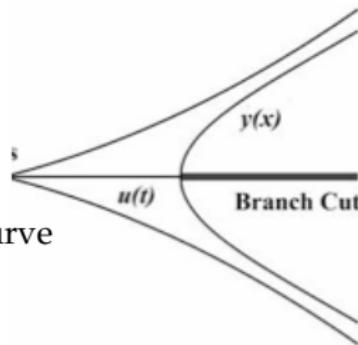
- Harmonic measure  $|f'|$  gives the evolution of the domain with increasing  $t = \pi\hbar N$ ;
- Balayage of the domain is the support of zeros of orthogonal polynomials
- Balayage is a Boutroux curve

## Evolution of the cusp

$$y(x, t) = -4(x - u(t)) \left( x + \frac{1}{2}u(x) \right)^2,$$

$$u(t) = -2(t - t_c)^{1/2}$$

$y(x)$  - is a degenerate elliptic Boutroux curve  
- a pinched torus.



After the singularity -  
the curve becomes non-degenerate!

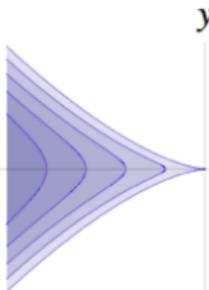
$$y^2 = (x - e_1(t))(x - e_2(t))(x - e_3(t))$$

# Unique Elliptic Boutroux Curve

$$y^2 = (x - e_1(t)) (x - e_2(t)) (x - e_3(t))$$

found by Krichever, Gamsa, Rodnisco, David (early 90s).

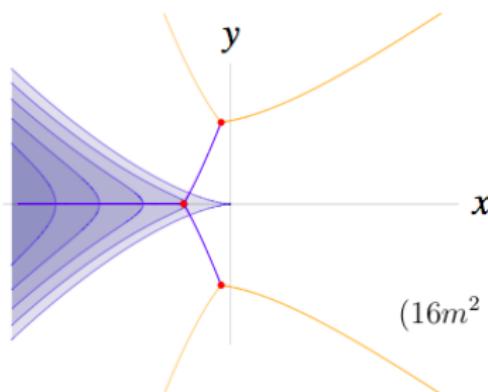
Branch points are transcendental obtained through solution of algebraic equation involving elliptic integrals.



$$y^2 = -(x - e(t)) \left( x + \frac{e(t)}{2} \right)^2$$

$$e(t) = -\sqrt{t_c - t}$$

$$y^2 = (x - e_1)(x - e_2)(x - e_3)$$



$$(e_1, e_2, e_3) = \sqrt{\frac{3}{h^2 - \frac{3}{4}}} (-1, \frac{1}{2} + ih, \frac{1}{2} - ih) \sqrt{t}$$

$$h \approx 3.246382253744278875676.$$

$$m = \frac{1}{2} + \frac{3}{4} \frac{1}{\sqrt{\frac{9}{4} + h^2}}$$

$$(16m^2 - 16m + 1)E(m) = (8m^2 - 9m + 1)K(m).$$

## More about Boutroux curves: How to plant and grow trees

- Start with a polynomial  $V'(x) = t_g x^g + \dots$  of a degree  $g$
- Determine a degenerate hyper elliptic Boutroux curve

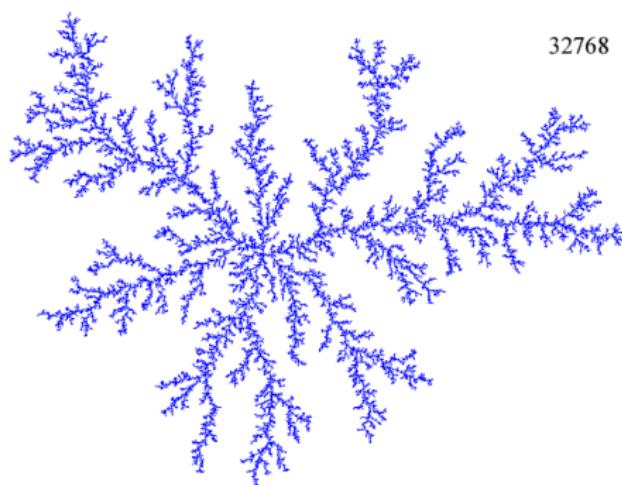
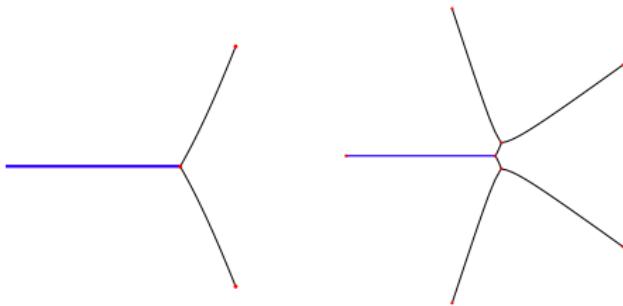
$$y = \sqrt{x - e(t)} \prod_{k=1}^g (x - d_k(t))$$

such that a positive part of Laurent expansion is  $\sqrt{x}V'(\sqrt{x})$

$$y = \sqrt{x} \left( \underbrace{x^g + t_{g-1}x^{g-1} + \dots}_{\text{fixed} = V'} + \underbrace{\frac{t}{x}}_{\text{time}} + \underbrace{\frac{C(t)}{x^2}}_{\text{capacity}} + \text{negative powers} \right)$$

- Run  $t$  keeping positive part fixed. Negative powers follow. Pinched cycles begin to open. Level graph branches. When all double points open the process stabilizes;

## Numerical plot of first two generations



Capacity  $C(t)$  is the measure of the size of the pattern,  $t$  is its mass

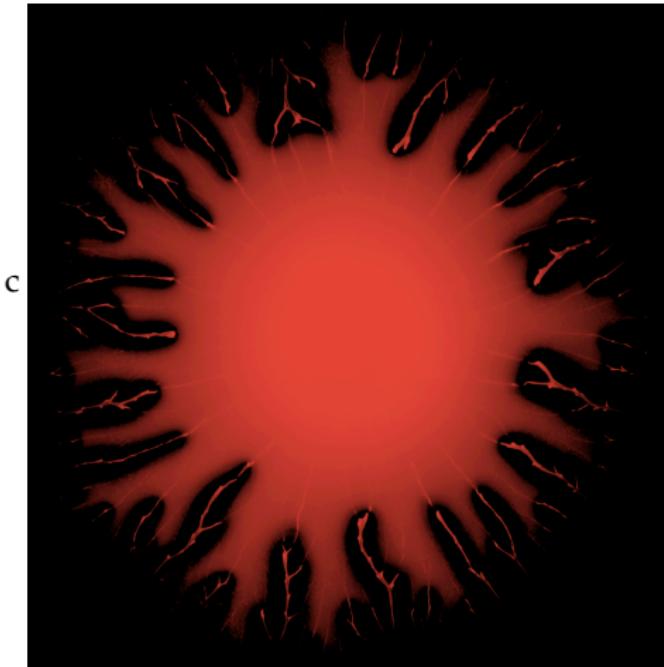
$$y = \sqrt{x}V' + \underbrace{\frac{t}{\sqrt{x}}}_{\text{time}} + \underbrace{\frac{C(t)}{\sqrt{x^3}}}_{\text{capacity}} + \text{negative powers}$$

At every genus transition - branch of the tree capacity jumps by universal (transcendental) value

$$\eta = \frac{\dot{C}_{\text{after branching}}}{\dot{C}_{\text{before branching}}} = 0.91522030388$$

- Conjecture: Capacity grows with the mass as  $C \sim t^{1/D_H}$ , where  $D_H$  is the fractal dimension of the pattern
- Conjecture:  $D_H$  is a simple function of  $\eta$ ;
- Conjecture:  $\frac{1}{D_H} - \frac{1}{2} = 1 - \eta \Rightarrow D_H = \underbrace{1.71004}_{\text{numerical digits in DLA}} \quad 56918$

# DO VISCOUS SHOCKS EXIST IN FLUIDS?



**Mahech Bandi (OIST)**  
observed suggestive  
structures in miscible fluids  
where 2D pattern evolves  
into 1D patterns