

# Asymptotic behaviors in Schur processes

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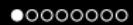
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Schur Process



Schur Process

Sampling algorithm



Asymptotics

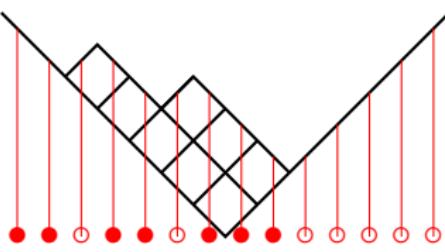
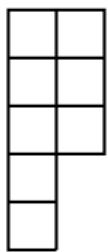


Symmetric Schur process



# Partitions and Maya diagrams

$$\lambda = (2, 2, 2, 1, 1)$$



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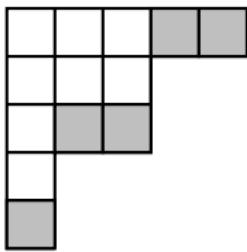
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Schur Process

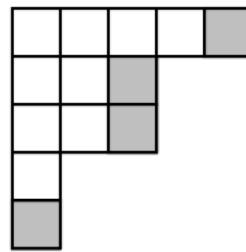
# Interlacing

- interlacing  $\lambda \succ \mu : \lambda_1 \geq \mu_1 \geq \lambda_2 \geq \mu_2 \cdots$
- dual interlacing  $\lambda \succ' \mu$  means  $\lambda' \succ \mu'$



$$(5, 3, 3, 1, 1) \succ (3, 3, 1, 1)$$

horizontal strip



$$(5, 3, 3, 1, 1) \succ' (4, 2, 2, 1)$$

vertical strip

- $w = (w_1, w_2, \dots, w_n) \in \{\prec, \succ, \prec', \succ'\}^n$ :  $w$ -interlaced sequences of partitions  $\Lambda = (\emptyset = \lambda(0), \lambda(1), \dots, \lambda(n) = \emptyset)$  means  $\lambda(i-1)w_i\lambda(i), \forall i$

# Schur process (Okounkov–Reshetikhin [2003])

For a word  $w = (w_1, w_2, \dots, w_n) \in \{\prec, \succ, \prec', \succ'\}^n$ , the *Schur process* of word  $w$  with parameters  $Z = (z_1, \dots, z_n)$  is a measure on the set of  $w$ -interlaced sequences of partitions  $\Lambda = (\emptyset = \lambda(0), \lambda(1), \dots, \lambda(n) = \emptyset)$  given by

$$\text{Prob}(\Lambda) \propto \prod_{i=1}^n z_i^{||\lambda(i)| - |\lambda(i-1)||}.$$

Remark 1.

$$s_{\lambda/\mu}(x_1) = x_1^{|\lambda| - |\mu|} \delta_{\lambda \succ \mu}.$$

Remark 2.

$$q^{vol} = q^{\sum_i |\lambda(i)|}$$

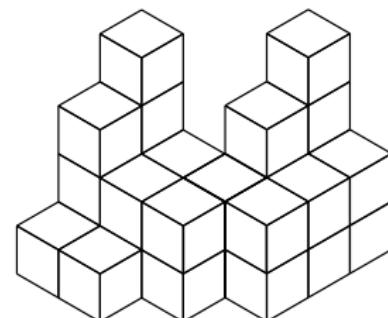
# Reverse plane partitions

$(m \times n)$ -boxed  
plane partitions

|   |   |   |
|---|---|---|
| 1 | 3 | 4 |
| 1 | 2 | 2 |
| 0 | 2 | 2 |
| 0 | 0 | 2 |

skew plane partitions

|   |   |   |   |   |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1 | 3 | 4 |   |   |
| 1 | 2 | 2 |   |   |
| 0 | 2 | 2 |   |   |
| 0 | 0 | 2 | 3 | 4 |
| 0 | 0 | 2 | 2 | 2 |



$$w = (\prec)^3(\succ)^4$$

$$(\prec)^3(\succ)^2(\prec)^2(\succ)^2$$

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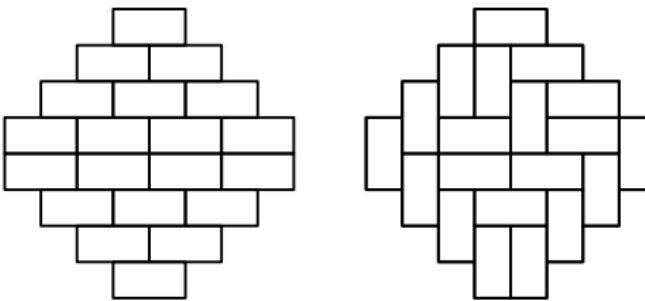
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**Symmetric Schur process**  
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**Schur Process**

# Aztec diamond



$$w = (\prec', \succ)^n$$

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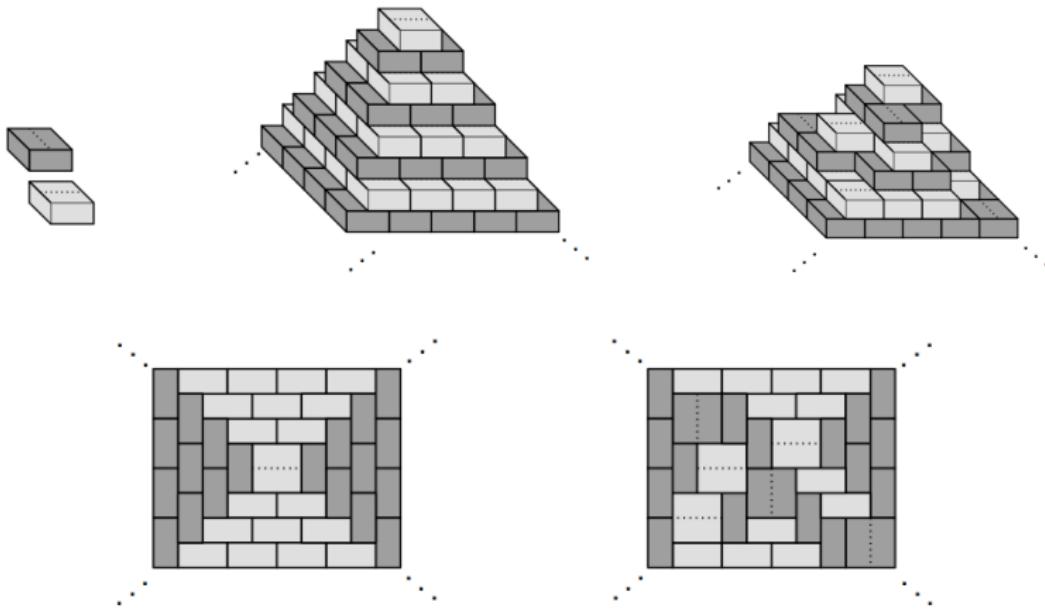
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# Pyramid partitions



$$w = (\underbrace{\dots, \prec, \prec', \prec, \prec', \succ, \succ', \succ, \succ', \dots}_I, \underbrace{\dots, \prec, \prec', \prec, \prec', \succ, \succ', \succ, \succ', \dots}_I, \dots)$$

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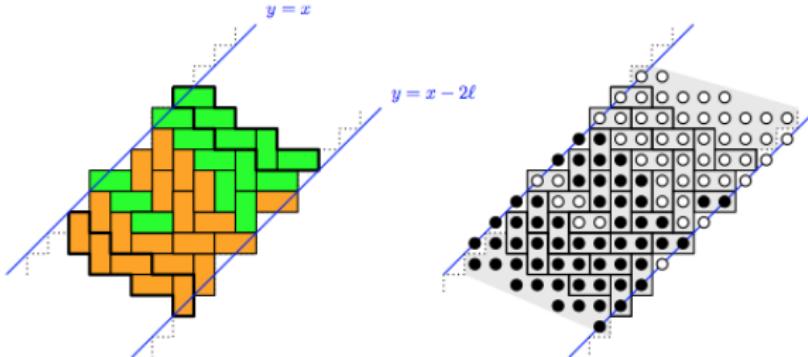
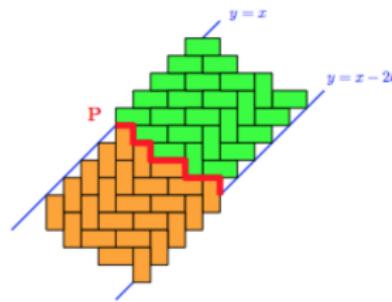
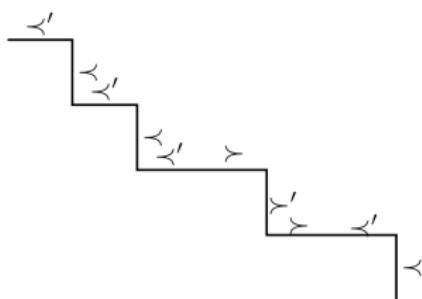
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Schur Process

# Steep tilings (Bouttier, Chapuy, Corteel [2014])

$$w \in \{\prec, \succ, \prec', \succ'\}^{2l} \quad w_{2i} \in \{\prec, \succ\} \text{ and } w_{2i+1} \in \{\prec', \succ'\}$$



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Schur Process

Sampling algorithm

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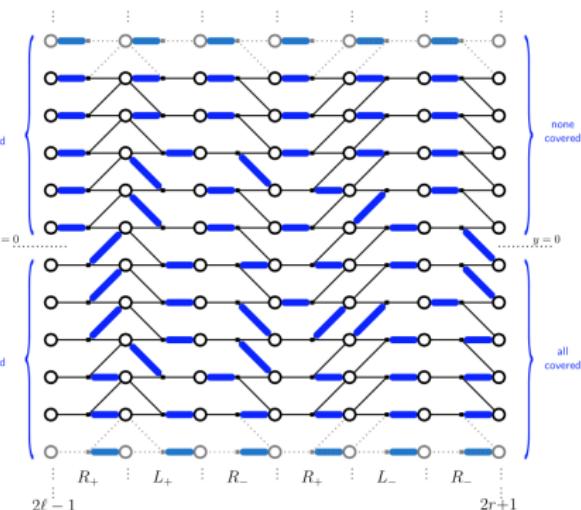
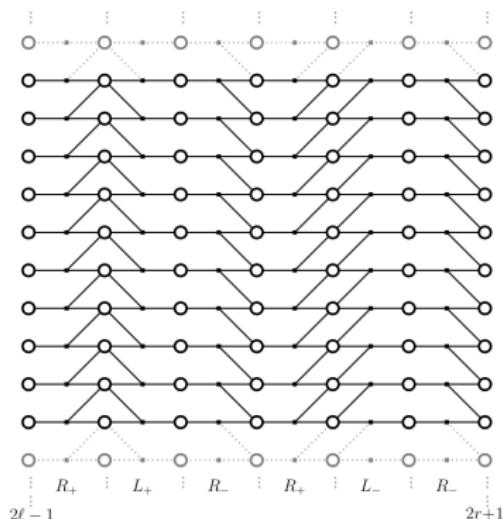
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Symmetric Schur process

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# Rail yard graphs(Boutillier, Bouttier, Chapuy, Corteel and Ramassamy [2015])



$$R_+ = \prec', R_- = \succ', L_+ = \prec, L_- = \succ$$

## Algorithm

## Algorithm properties:

- generalizes RSK and shuffling algorithm
- exact
- entropy optimal
- based on bijections that are easy to implement
- polynomial time complexity
- uses samples from geometric and Bernoulli variables
- extends to one-sided free Schur process (symmetric Schur process) and also to Schur process for infinite words

## Literature

- RSK: Gessel, Krattenthaler, Pak–Postnikov, Fomin
- shuffling algorithm: Elkies–Kuperberg–Larsen–Propp
- sampling of Schur processes: Borodin, Borodin–Ferrari
- sampling of Macdonald process: Borodin–Petrov
- coupling from the past (MCMC): Propp–Wilson

## Algorithm

## RSK (Robinson–Schensted–Knuth) correspondence

$m \times n$  non-negative integer matrices  $\leftrightarrow m \times n$  boxed plane partitions

$$\bullet A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 2 \\ 0 & 2 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\bullet P = \begin{matrix} 1 & 1 & 2 & 2 \\ 2 & 3 \\ 3 \end{matrix}, \quad Q = \begin{matrix} 1 & 1 & 1 & 3 \\ 2 & 2 \\ 3 \end{matrix}$$

$$\bullet \pi = \begin{matrix} 4 & 3 & 3 \\ 4 & 2 & 2 \\ 2 & 1 & 1 \end{matrix}$$

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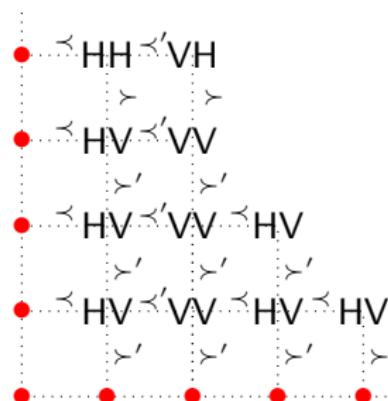
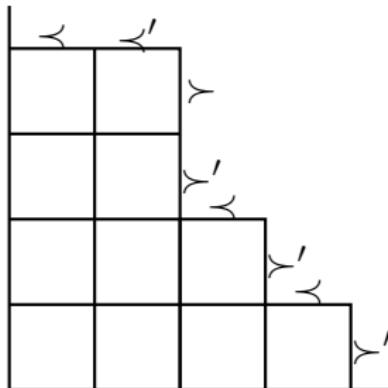
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Algorithm

# Algorithm

Ex.  $w = (\prec, \prec', \succ, \succ', \prec, \succ', \prec, \succ')$

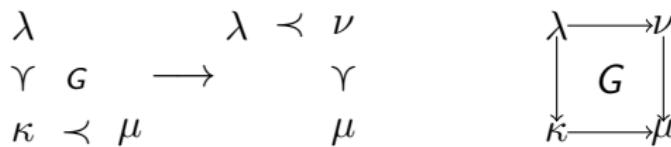
- shape: path of horizontal ( $w_i \in \{\prec, \prec'\}$ ) and vertical ( $w_i \in \{\succ, \succ'\}$ ) segments
- : type: HH ( $\prec, \succ$ ), HV ( $\prec, \succ'$ ), VH ( $\prec', \succ$ ), VW ( $\prec', \succ'$ )



## Algorithm

## Cauchy identity

$$\sum_{\nu} s_{\nu/\lambda}(x) s_{\nu/\mu}(y) = \frac{1}{1 - xy} \sum_{\kappa} s_{\lambda/\kappa}(y) s_{\mu/\kappa}(x)$$

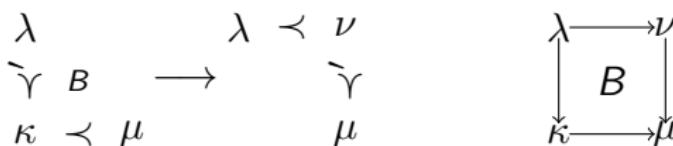


- sample  $G \sim Geom(xy)$
- $\nu_i = \begin{cases} \max(\lambda_1, \mu_1) + G & \text{if } i = 1, \\ \max(\lambda_i, \mu_i) + \min(\lambda_{i-1}, \mu_{i-1}) - \kappa_{i-1} & \text{if } i > 1 \end{cases}$

## Algorithm

## Dual Cauchy identity

$$\sum_{\nu} s_{\nu/\lambda}(x) s_{\nu'/\mu'}(y) = (1 + xy) \sum_{\kappa} s_{\lambda'/\kappa'}(y) s_{\mu/\kappa}(x)$$



- sample  $B \sim Bernoulli(\frac{xy}{1+xy})$
- for  $i = 1 \dots \max(\ell(\lambda), \ell(\mu)) + 1$ 
  - if  $\lambda_i \leq \mu_i < \lambda_{i-1}$  then  $\nu_i = \max(\lambda_i, \mu_i) + B$
  - else  $\nu_i = \max(\lambda_i, \mu_i)$
  - if  $\mu_{i+1} < \lambda_i \leq \mu_i$  then  $B = \min(\lambda_i, \mu_i) - \kappa_i$

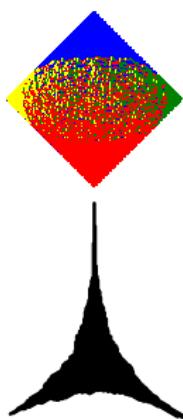
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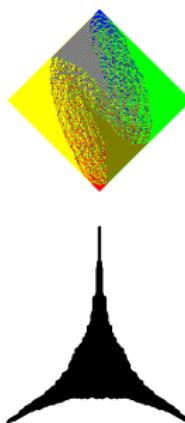
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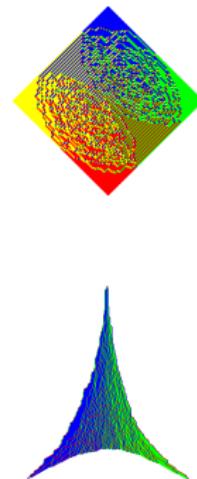
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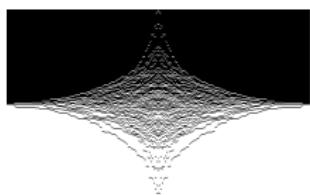
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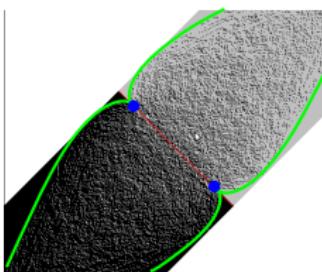
symmetric plane partition



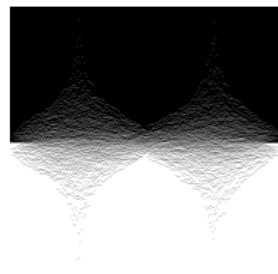
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symmetric pyramid partition



finite width pyramid partition



steep tilings

## Correlation functions (Okounkov-Reshetikhin 2003)

Let  $X = \{(n_j, k_j)\}$  with  $|X| = m$ . The correlation function has the form

$$\rho(X) = \text{Prob}(k_j \in \lambda(n_j), \forall j) = \det [(K(n_i, k_i; k_j, n_j))]_{i,j=1}^m$$

where  $K(n_i, x; n_j, y)$  is the coefficient of  $z^x w^{-y}$  in the formal power series expansion of

$$\frac{\sqrt{zw}}{z-w} \frac{F(n_i, z)}{F(n_j, w)}$$

in the region  $|z| > |w|$  if  $n_i \geq n_j$  and  $|z| < |w|$  if  $n_i < n_j$  where

$$F(n_i, z) = \frac{\prod_{\substack{j:j \leq n_i, w_j = \prec' \\ j:j > n_i, w_j = \succ}} (1 + z_j z) \prod_{\substack{j:j > n_i, w_j = \succ \\ j:j \leq n_i, w_j = \prec'}} (1 - z_j z^{-1})}{\prod_{\substack{j:j \leq n_i, w_j = \prec \\ j:j > n_i, w_j = \succ'}} (1 - z_j z) \prod_{\substack{j:j > n_i, w_j = \succ' \\ j:j \leq n_i, w_j = \prec}} (1 + z_j z^{-1})}.$$

## Fock space formalism

Vector space:

$$V = \bigoplus_{\lambda \text{ partition}} v_\lambda = \bigoplus_{\lambda} e_{\lambda_1-1/2} \wedge e_{\lambda_2-3/2} \wedge e_{\lambda_3-5/2} \wedge \dots,$$

bosonic operators  $\Gamma'_\pm(x)$ ,  $\Gamma_\pm(x)$  and fermionic operators  $\psi$  and  $\psi^*$   
plus their commutation relations

$$\Gamma_-(x)v_\mu = \sum_{\lambda} s_{\lambda/\mu}(x)v_\lambda, \quad \Gamma'_-(x)v_\mu = \sum_{\lambda} s_{\lambda'/\mu'}(x)v_\lambda,$$

$$\Gamma_+(x)v_\lambda = \sum_{\mu} s_{\lambda/\mu}(x)v_\mu, \quad \Gamma'_+(x)v_\lambda = \sum_{\mu} s_{\lambda'/\mu'}(x)v_\mu.$$

$$\psi_i \psi_i^* v_\lambda = \begin{cases} v_\lambda & \text{if } i \in \lambda, \\ 0 & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

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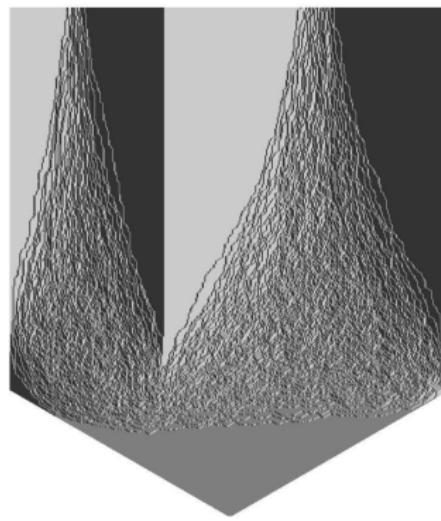
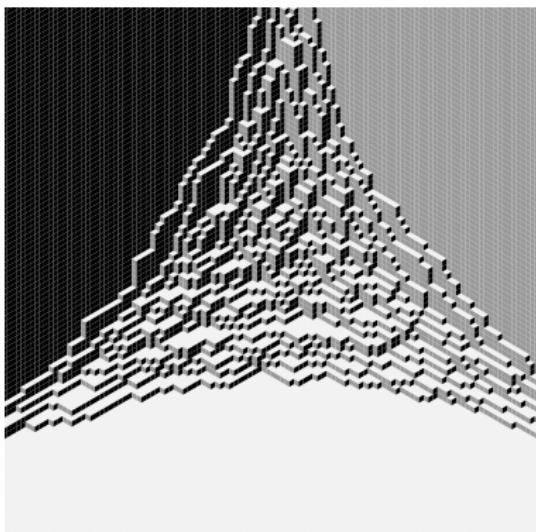
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## Limit shape- plane partitions

- uniform distribution on partitions of volume  $n$ , when  $n \rightarrow \infty$ : Cerrf-Kenyon [01] and Okounkov-Reshetikhin [2003]
- skew plane partitions Okounkov-Reshetikhin [2005] and [2006]
- behavior in the bulk and on the boundary



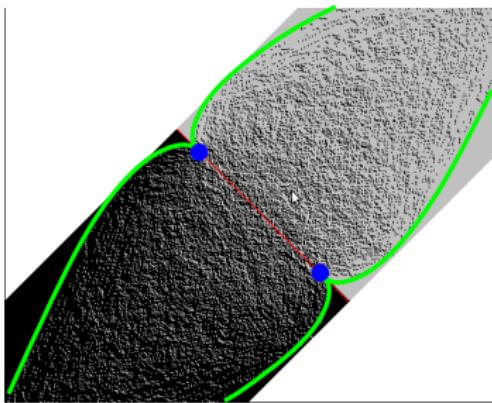
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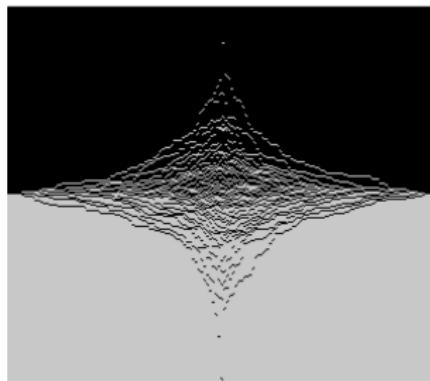
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# Pyramid partitions



finite width pyramid partition



pyramid partition

# Scaling

The correlation kernel is given by

$$\frac{1}{(2\pi)^2} \iint \frac{J(z; k, n)}{J(w; k, n)} \frac{1}{z - w} \frac{1}{z^l w^{-l}} dz dw$$

When  $q = e^{-\epsilon}$ ,  $\epsilon n = a$ ,  $\epsilon k = x$ ,  $\epsilon l = y$ , when  $\epsilon \rightarrow 0+$  asymptotics is determined by

$$\begin{aligned} S(z; x, y) = & -\operatorname{dilog}(e^{-a}z) + \operatorname{dilog}(z) - \operatorname{dilog}(-z) + \operatorname{dilog}(-e^{-a}z) \\ & -\operatorname{dilog}(-e^{-a}z^{-1}) + \operatorname{dilog}(-e^{-x}z^{-1}) \\ & -\operatorname{dilog}(e^{-x}z^{-1}) + \operatorname{dilog}(e^{-a}z^{-1}) - 2y \log z \end{aligned}$$

where

$$\operatorname{dilog}(z) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{z^n}{n^2}, \quad |z| < 1,$$

analytically continued to  $z \in \mathbb{C} \setminus [1, \infty)$ .

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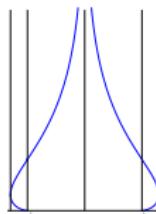
# Frozen boundary

Determined by the double critical points of  $S(z; x, y)$ :

$$f(z, X) = Y, f'(z, X) = 0,$$

where  $A = e^a$ ,  $X = e^x$ ,  $Y = e^{2y}$  and

$$f(z, X) = \frac{(z+1)(z+1/X)(z-1/A)(z-A)}{(z+A)(z+1/A)(z-1/X)(z-1)}.$$

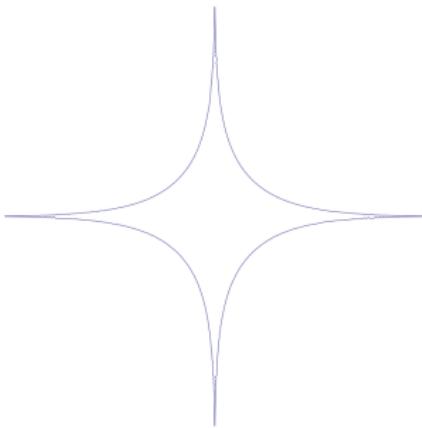


cusps at  $(\pm \log(A + 1/A - 1), 0)$ .

In the case of unbounded pyramid partitions

$$f(z) = \frac{(z+1)(z+1/X)}{(z-1)(z-1/X)}$$

and the frozen boundary is the boundary of the amoeba of the polynomial  $-1 + z + w + zw$ , which is expected from the limit shape of the strict plane partitions (will be explained later)

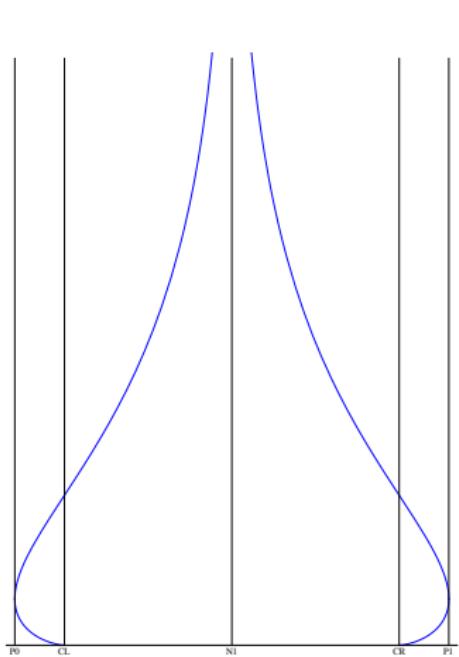


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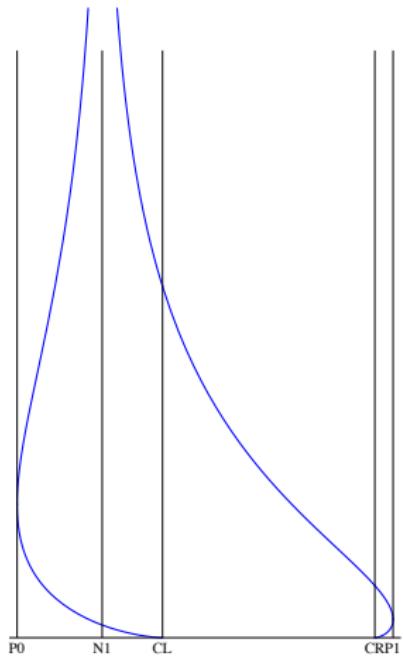
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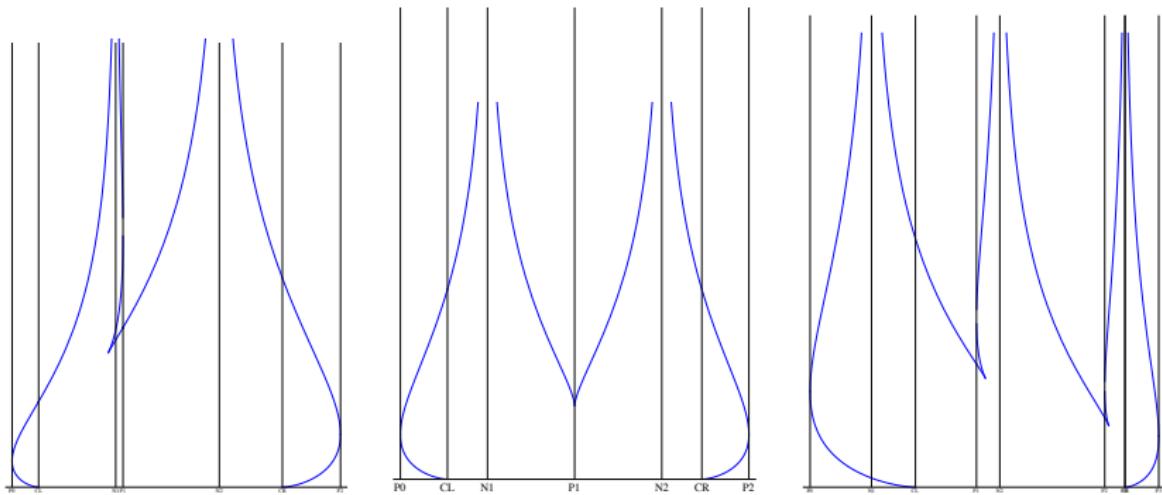
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- generic point on the boundary: Airy
- horizontal cusps and vertical cusps(if any): cusp Airy process (OR[06])
- other cusps: Pearcey process
- turning points: GUE minor process (OR[06]), (Johansson–Nordenstam [2010])

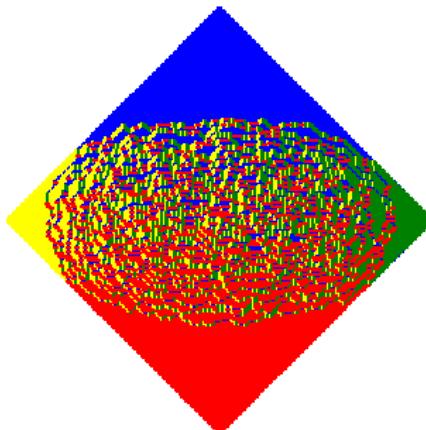
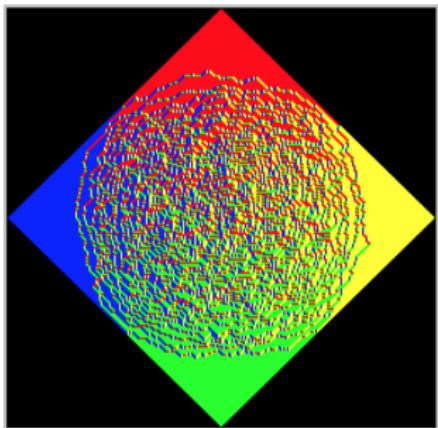
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# Arctic Circle Theorem (Jockusch, Propp, Schor [1998])



$$q^{vol} = q^{\#flips} \text{ left: } q = 1, \text{ right: } q < 1 \text{ (Chhita–Young [2013])}$$

# Aztec diamond with periodic weights

- Similar results: Mkrtchyan [2013] -plane partitions with periodic weights

- periodic  $z_{odd}$  (adding vertical strips) weights

$$(z_1, z_3, z_5 \dots) = (a_1, a_2, \dots a_k, a_1, a_2, \dots a_k, \dots)$$

- periodic weights  $z_{even}$  (removing horizontal strips) weights

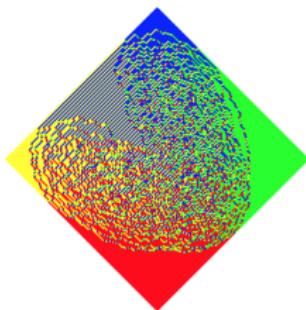
$$(z_2, z_4, z_6 \dots) = (b_1, b_2, \dots b_l, b_1, b_2, \dots b_l, \dots)$$

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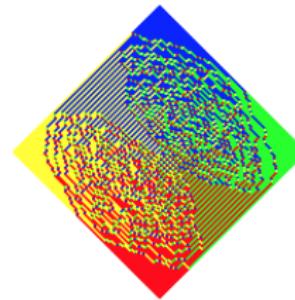
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$$(a_1, a_2) = (4, 1/4) \\ b_1 = 1$$

$$(a_1, a_2, a_3) = (8, 1, 1/8) \\ (b_1, b_2) = (3, 1/3)$$



$$(a_1, a_2) = (48, 1) \\ (b_1, b_2) = (16, 1/8)$$

$$(a_1, a_2) = (30, 1/30) \\ (b_1, b_2) = (30, 1/30)$$

The asymptotics is determined by

$$S(z; x, y) = \frac{x}{k} \log \left( \prod_{i=1}^k (1 + a_i z) \right) + \left( 1 - \frac{x}{l} \right) \log \left( \prod_{i=1}^l \left( 1 - \frac{b_i}{z} \right) \right) - y \log z$$

Using this we get

- arctic curve
- cusps
- location of point where arctic curve touches the boundary
- behavior at special points (work in progress)

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## Symmetric Schur process

# Symmetric Schur process

$w \in \{\prec, \succ, \prec', \succ'\}^n$ : right-free  $w$ -interlaced sequence of partitions,  
i.e.  $\Lambda = (\emptyset = \lambda(0), \lambda(1), \dots, \lambda(n))$  such that  $\lambda(i-1)w_i\lambda(i)$

## Right-free Schur process

$$Prob(\Lambda) \propto \prod_{i=1}^n z_i^{||\lambda(i)| - |\lambda(i-1)||}$$

## Symmetric Schur process

$$(\emptyset = \lambda(0), \lambda(1), \dots, \lambda(n-1), \lambda(n) = \lambda, \lambda(n-1), \dots, \lambda(1), \lambda(0) = \emptyset)$$

$$\prod_{i=1}^{2n+1} t_i^{||\lambda(i)| - |\lambda(i-1)||}.$$

where  $t_i t_{2n-i+1} = z_i$ , for  $i = 1, \dots, n$ .



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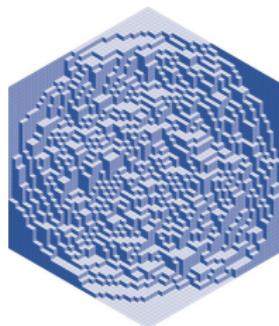
## Examples

Symmetric plane partitions:

|   |   |   |
|---|---|---|
| 1 | 2 | 4 |
| 0 | 2 | 2 |
| 0 | 0 | 1 |



Similar result: uniform plane partitions that fit in  $n \times n \times n$  box,  
when  $n \rightarrow \infty$ : Cohn-Larsen-Propp [98], symmetric: Panova [2014]



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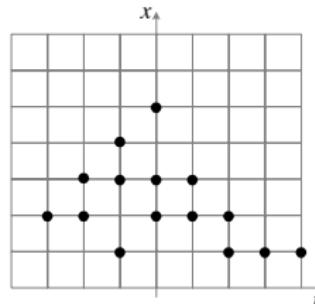
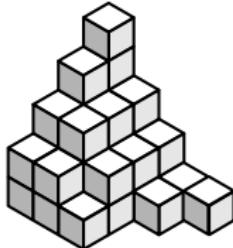
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# Plane overpartitions

- plane overpartition:

|           |           |           |           |   |
|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|---|
| 4         | $\bar{4}$ | $\bar{3}$ | 2         | 2 |
| 3         | 3         | $\bar{3}$ | $\bar{2}$ |   |
| $\bar{3}$ | 1         |           |           |   |
| 1         |           |           |           |   |

- half pyramid partition:  $\emptyset \prec (1) \prec' (2) \prec (2, 2) \prec' (3, 3, 1) \prec (5, 3, 1) \prec' (5, 4, 1) \prec (5, 4, 1, 1) \prec' (5, 4, 2, 1)$
- strict plane partition:



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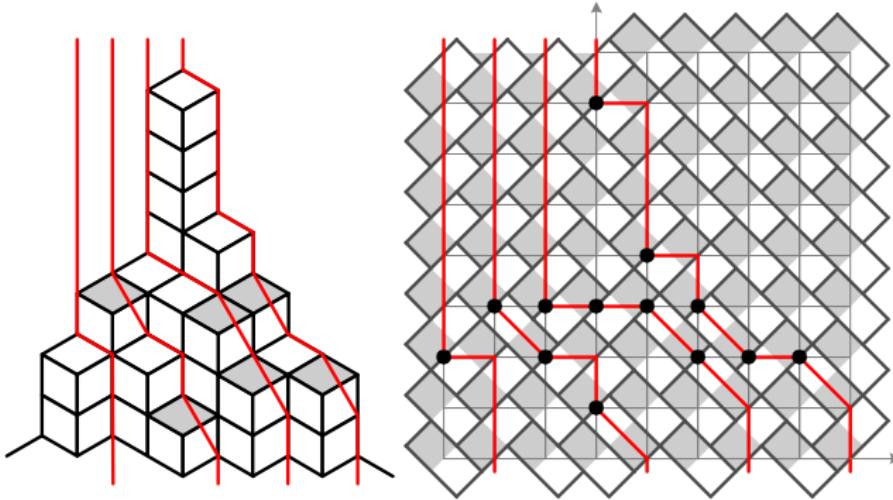
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# Domino tilings

- plane overpartitions  $\longleftrightarrow$  steep domino tilings with one-side free boundary



## Symmetric Schur process

$\mathfrak{M}_q$  is a probability measure on the set of plane overpartitions defined by

$$\mathfrak{M}_q(\pi) \propto q^{|\pi|}$$

## Shifted MacMahon's formula

$$\sum_{\substack{\pi \text{ is a plane} \\ \text{overpartition}}} q^{|\pi|} = \prod_{n=1}^{\infty} \left( \frac{1+q^n}{1-q^n} \right)^n$$

## Theorem

*The correlation function has the form*

$$\rho(X) = \text{Pf}(M_X)$$

*where  $M_X$  is a skew-symmetric  $2n \times 2n$  matrix*

$$M_X(i, j) = \begin{cases} K_{x_i, x_j}(t_i, t_j) & 1 \leq i < j \leq n, \\ (-1)^{x_{j'}} K_{x_i, -x_{j'}}(t_i, t_{j'}) & 1 \leq i \leq n < j \leq 2n, \\ (-1)^{x_{i'} + x_{j'}} K_{-x_{i'}, -x_{j'}}(t_{i'}, t_{j'}) & n < i < j \leq 2n, \end{cases}$$

*where  $i' = 2n - i + 1$  and  $K_{x,y}(t_i, t_j)$  is the coefficient of  $z^x w^y$  in the formal power series expansion of*

$$\frac{z - w}{2(z + w)} J_q(z, t_i) J_q(w, t_j)$$

*in the region  $|z| > |w|$  if  $t_i \geq t_j$  and  $|z| < |w|$  if  $t_i < t_j$ .*

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Here  $J_q(z, t)$  is given with

$$J_q(z, t) = \begin{cases} \frac{(q^{1/2}z^{-1}; q)_\infty(-q^{t+1/2}z; q)_\infty}{(-q^{1/2}z^{-1}; q)_\infty(q^{t+1/2}z; q)_\infty} & t \geq 0, \\ \frac{(-q^{1/2}z; q)_\infty(q^{-t+1/2}z^{-1}; q)_\infty}{(q^{1/2}z; q)_\infty(-q^{-t+1/2}z^{-1}; q)_\infty} & t < 0, \end{cases}$$

where

$$(z; q)_\infty = \prod_{n=0}^{\infty} (1 - q^n z)$$

is the quantum dilogarithm function.

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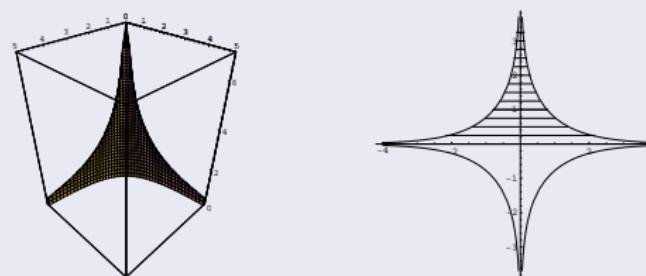
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# Asymptotics for $\mathfrak{M}_q$

## Theorem (Asymptotics)

Limit shape (half amoeba of  $-1 + z + w + zw$ ):



Bulk: Determinantal kernel

$$K(i,j) = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{\gamma_{\tau,\chi}^{\pm}} \left( \frac{1-z}{1+z} \right)^{\Delta t_{ij}} \frac{1}{z^{\Delta x_{ij}+1}} dz.$$

Edge-Floor: Pfaffian kernel similar to the one in the bulk.

Edge-Walls: Airy kernel.

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Height fluctuations  $H = h - E(h)$ - Gaussian free field

### Theorem

*Height fluctuations converge to the Gaussian free field on the first quadrant  $Q$  under the push forward given by  $z : \mathcal{D} \rightarrow Q$ .*

### Higher moments

Let  $rx_i \rightarrow \chi_i$  and  $rt_i \rightarrow \tau_i$  when  $r \rightarrow 0+$  then

$$\begin{aligned} & \lim_{r \rightarrow 0+} E[H(x_1, t_1) \cdots H(x_n, t_n)] \\ &= \begin{cases} \sum_{\sigma} \prod_{i=1}^{n/2} G(z_{\sigma(2i-1)}, z_{\sigma(2i)}) & n \text{ is even} \\ 0 & n \text{ is odd} \end{cases}, \end{aligned}$$

where the sum is taken over all pairings of  $\{1, 2, \dots, n\}$ .

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# The shifted Schur process

specializations:  $\rho = (\rho_0^+, \rho_1^-, \rho_1^+, \dots, \rho_T^-)$  sequences of strict partitions:  $\lambda = (\lambda^1, \lambda^2, \dots, \lambda^T)$  and  $\mu = (\mu^1, \mu^2, \dots, \mu^{T-1})$

$$W(\lambda, \mu) = \prod_{i=0}^T P_{\lambda^i/\mu^i}(\rho_i^-) Q_{\lambda^{i+1}/\mu^i}(\rho_i^+).$$

$\rho_0^-$  and  $\rho_T^+$  are trivial specializations

## Fock space formalism

$$V = \bigoplus_{\lambda \text{ strict}} v_\lambda = \bigoplus_{\lambda \text{ strict}} e_{\lambda_1} \wedge e_{\lambda_2} \wedge \cdots \wedge e_{\lambda_l},$$

$$\Gamma^-(x)v_\mu = \sum_{\lambda \text{ strict}} Q_{\lambda/\mu}(x)v_\lambda, \quad \Gamma^+(x)v_\lambda = \sum_{\mu \text{ strict}} P_{\lambda/\mu}(x)v_\mu.$$

$$\psi_i \psi_i^* v_\lambda = \begin{cases} v_\lambda/2 & \text{if } i \in \lambda, \\ 0 & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$



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