## Fluctuations for products of random matrices

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#### **I.** Setting: Products of M random $N \times N$ matrices

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#### Products of random matrices

Consider M independent  $N \times N$  random matrices  $Y_1, \ldots, Y_M$  satisfying the rotational invariance in law

$$Y_k U \stackrel{d}{=} Y_k$$

for any unitary matrix U. Define the product

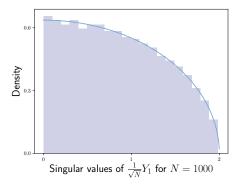
$$X = Y_1 Y_2 \cdots Y_M$$
.

**Question:** How do singular values of *X* look as  $N \to \infty$ ?

# Example: Wishart / "white" sample covariance (M = 1)

If M = 1,  $Y_1$  with i.i.d.  $\mathcal{N}_{\mathbb{C}}(0, 1/2)$  entries:

- $X = Y_1$  has i.i.d. multivariate Gaussian columns
- ►  $XX^*$  = sample covariance for population covariance  $Id_{N\times N}$



Law of Large Numbers: Quarter-circle law

### Example: General sample covariance (M = 2)

- If M=2,  $Y_1$  arbitrary and  $Y_2$  with i.i.d.  $\mathcal{N}_{\mathbb{C}}(0,1/2)$  entries:
  - $X = Y_1 Y_2$  has i.i.d. multivariate Gaussian columns
  - ►  $XX^*$  = sample covariance for population covariance  $Y_1Y_1^*$

#### Extensively studied in statistics and mathematics:

- Random matrix theory: [Marchenko-Pastur '67, Jonsson '82, Bai-Silverstein '04]
- ► High-dimensional PCA: [Wachter '76, Johnstone '01, Baik-Silverstein '06, El Karoui '07, Paul '07, Nadler '08, Bai-Yao '08]
- Sphericity testing / signal detection [Ledoit-Wolf '02, Onatski-Moreira-Hallin '13, '14, Johnstone-Onatski '18]

#### Example: Separable sample covariance (M = 3)

The **separable covariance model** considers a data matrix

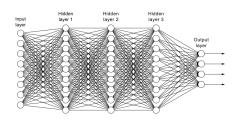
$$X = Y_1 \cdot Y_2 \cdot Y_3$$

with  $Y_1$ ,  $Y_3$  arbitrary and  $Y_2$  having i.i.d.  $\mathcal{N}_{\mathbb{C}}(0,1/2)$  entries.

- Rows and columns of X both have non-trivial correlation
- ► Entries of X are multivariate Gaussian with population covariance  $Y_1 Y_1^* \otimes Y_3 Y_3^*$

#### Applications in several fields:

- Spatio-temporal statistics (rows = space, columns = time) [Storch-Zwiers '99, Paul-Silverstein '09]
- ► Matrix-variate statistics [Dawid '81, Dutilleul '99, Wang-West '09, Allen-Tibshirani '10, Hoff '11, Leng-Tang '12, Fosdick-Hoff '12]
- ► Approximate factor models in economics [Onatski '08]



Feed-forward fully connected network with *D* layers of width *N*:

- ▶ Weights  $W_1, ..., W_D \in \mathbb{R}^{N \times N}$  and biases  $b_1, ..., b_D \in \mathbb{R}^N$ .
- ▶ Given input  $x = x^0 \in \mathbb{R}^N$ , activations at layer k are:

$$x^k = f(W_k \cdot x^{k-1} + b_k) \in \mathbb{R}^N$$

for an **activation function** f(x) applied element-wise.

▶ The **output**  $F_{\theta}(x) \in \mathbb{R}^{N}$  is

$$F_{\theta}(x) = x^{D} = f(b_{D} + W_{D} \cdot f(b_{D-1} + W_{D-1} \cdot f(\cdots)))$$

for **parameters**  $\theta = (W_1, \dots, W_D, b_1, \dots, b_D)$ .



At initialization:  $W_i$  has i.i.d. real Gaussian entries,  $b_i = 0$ .

$$F_{\theta}(x) = f(b_D + W_D \cdot f(b_{D-1} + W_{D-1} \cdot f(\cdots)))$$

Jacobian of output with respect to input is:

$$J(x) = Df(x^{D}) \cdot W_{D} \cdot Df(x^{D-1}) \cdots W_{1},$$

where for  $x \in \mathbb{R}^N$ , Df(x) is the diagonal matrix

$$Df(x) = \begin{bmatrix} f'(x_1) & & & \\ & f'(x_2) & & \\ & & \ddots & \\ & & f'(x_N) \end{bmatrix}.$$

Jacobian at initialization – with  $U_1, \ldots, U_D$  Haar unitary:

$$J(x) = Df(x^{D}) \cdot W_{D} \cdot Df(x^{D-1}) \cdot \cdot \cdot W_{1}$$

$$\stackrel{d}{=} (Df(x^{D})U_{D}) \cdot W_{D} \cdot (Df(x^{D-1})U_{D-1}) \cdot \cdot \cdot \cdot W_{1}$$

fits into our framework with M = 2D and

$$Y_1 = Df(x^D)U_D, \qquad Y_2 = W_D, \qquad \dots$$

Typical values: depth D = O(100) and width  $N = O(10^5)$ 

**Conclusion:** Asymptotic study requires  $N, M \to \infty$  jointly

In training with loss  $\ell(y, y')$  at data point  $(x_i, y_i)$ , take step

$$\theta' = \theta - \alpha \cdot \nabla_{\theta} \ell(\mathbf{y}_i, \mathbf{F}_{\theta}(\mathbf{x}_i)).$$

Expressed with  $J_{\theta}F_{\theta}(x_i)$ , which also has product structure.

For successful training, must make sure gradients are not:

- too large (gradient explosion), or
- too small (gradient vanishing).

[Saxe-McClelland-Ganguli '14] [Pennington-Schoenholz-Ganguli '17] [Chen-Pennington-Schoenholz '18] [Hanin '18] [Zhang-Dauphin-Ma '19]

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### Random Matrix Theory: global regime

Recall  $N \times N$  matrices  $Y_1, \ldots, Y_M$ :

$$X_{N,M} = Y_1 Y_2 \cdots Y_M.$$

Consider the empirical spectral measure of  $X_{N,M}$ 

$$\nu_{N,M} := \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^{N} \delta_{\mu_i}$$

with  $\mu_1 \ge \cdots \ge \mu_N$  singular values of  $X_{N,M}$ . As  $N \to \infty$ , want:

- **Law of Large Numbers:** Deterministic limit for  $\nu_{N,M}$
- ▶ **Central Limit Theorem:** Gaussian fluctuations of  $\nu_{N,M}$  about its expectation (after rescaling).

Global regime because they rely on singular values as a whole.

### LLN for products with M fixed

Define the S-transform from free probability

$$S_{\nu}(z)=rac{z+1}{z}M_{\nu}^{-1}(z)$$
 with  $M_{\nu}(z)=\intrac{xz}{1-xz}d
u(x).$ 

Let A, B be right-invariant matrices whose singular values  $\{a_i\}, \{b_i\}$  have empirical measures with deterministic limits

$$\nu_{\mathcal{A}} := \lim_{N \to \infty} \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^{N} \delta_{a_i} \qquad \nu_{\mathcal{B}} := \lim_{N \to \infty} \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^{N} \delta_{b_i}.$$

#### Theorem (Voiculescu, '80s)

The empirical singular value measure of X = AB has deterministic limit  $\nu_X$  satisfying

$$S_{\nu_X}(z) = S_{\nu_A}(z)S_{\nu_B}(z).$$

#### CLT for products with M fixed

Define the **height function** of *X*:

$$\mathcal{H}_{N}(t) = \#\{\mu_{i} \leq t\} = N \nu_{X} ((-\infty, t]).$$

Note that  $N \to \infty$  limit of  $\frac{1}{N}\mathbb{E}[\mathcal{H}_N(t)]$  is determined by LLN.

Theorem (Gorin-S. '18)

As  $N \to \infty$ , the limit of fluctuations of the height function

$$\xi(x) := \lim_{N \to \infty} \left( \mathcal{H}_N(x) - \mathbb{E}[\mathcal{H}_N(x)] \right)$$

is an **explicit** Gaussian log-correlated field  $\xi(x)$ , meaning

$$\mathbb{E}[\xi(x)\xi(y)] \approx -\frac{1}{2\pi^2}\log|x-y|$$
 for  $x \approx y$ .

**Note:** Fluctuations  $\mathcal{H}_N(x) - \mathbb{E}[\mathcal{H}_N(x)]$  are random functions on  $\mathbb{R}$  converging to the random **distribution**  $\xi(x)$ .

### CLT for products with M fixed

#### Theorem (Gorin-S. '18)

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#### Additive analogue:

- ▶ 2<sup>nd</sup> order freeness: [Collins-Mingo-Śniady-Speicher '04]
- Stieltjes transform: [Pastur-Vasilchuk '07]

#### Multiplicative case:

- Sample covariance: [Jonsson '82, Bai-Silverstein '04]
- Separable covariance: [Bai-Li-Pan '16]
- Gaussianity: [Guionnet-Novak '15] [Arizmendi-Mingo '18]
- ► Explicit covariance + log-correlation: [Gorin-s. 18]



### Fixed matrix size (N) and growing number (M)

Recall that

$$X_{N,M} = Y_1 Y_2 \cdots Y_M.$$

Consider *N* fixed as  $M \to \infty$ :

- Singular values grow exponentially in M
- Lyapunov exponents have deterministic limits

$$\lambda_i := \frac{1}{M} \log \mu_i$$

[Furstenberg-Kesten '60]

Appears in dynamical systems from population ecology

## Growing matrix size (N) and number (M) together

What if  $N, M \to \infty$  together?

- Should consider Lyapunov exponents
- ▶ Taking  $N \to \infty$  and then  $M \to \infty$ : free probability regime
  - LLN studied in [Kargin '08] [Tucci '10]
- ▶ Taking  $M \to \infty$  and then  $N \to \infty$ : similarity to fixed N

**Our results:** LLN and CLT for all joint limits  $N, M \to \infty$ .

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#### $M \to \infty$ , multiplicative case

Define i.i.d.  $N \times N$  random matrices

$$Y_k := AU_k$$

with i.i.d Haar unitary matrices  $U_k$  and deterministic diagonal

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} a_1 & 0 & \cdots & 0 \\ 0 & a_2 & \ddots & \vdots \\ \vdots & \ddots & \ddots & 0 \\ 0 & \cdots & 0 & a_N \end{pmatrix}$$

with  $a_j > 0$  so  $\nu := \lim_{N \to \infty} \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^{N} \delta_{a_i}$  converges. Define

$$X_{N,M} := Y_1 Y_2 \cdots Y_M.$$

For  $M \to \infty$ , study Lyapunov exponents  $\{\lambda_k\}$  defined by

$$\lambda_k := \frac{1}{M} \log \left( k^{\text{th}} \text{ singular value of } X_{N,M} \right)$$

#### $M \to \infty$ LLN, multiplicative case

Define:

$$S(z) := \frac{z+1}{z} M_{\nu}^{-1}(z) \qquad M_{\nu}(z) := \int \frac{xz}{1-xz} d\nu(x).$$

Theorem (Newman '86, Kargin '08, Tucci '10, Gorin-S. '18)

As  $N,M\to\infty$  jointly, the empirical measure of Lyapunov exponents converges to the explicit measure

$$\lim_{N,M\to\infty} \frac{1}{N} \sum_{k=1}^{N} \delta_{\lambda_k} = \frac{-e^{-x}}{S'(S^{-1}(e^{-x}))} \mathbf{1}_{[-\log S(-1), -\log S(0)]} dx.$$

- ▶ CDF of limiting measure is  $S^{-1}(e^{-x}) + 1$
- lacktriangle Limiting measure in LLN recovers original measure u
- ▶ Holds for **any** relative rate of growth  $N, M \rightarrow \infty$

#### $M \to \infty$ CLT, multiplicative case

Lyapunov exponents

$$\lambda_k = \frac{1}{M} \log \left( k^{\text{th}} \text{ singular value of } X_{N,M} \right)$$

and height function  $H_{N,M}(t) = \#\{\lambda_k \leq t\}$ .

Theorem (Gorin-S. '18)

As  $N, M \to \infty$  jointly, rescaled fluctuations converge

$$M^{1/2}\Big(H_{N,M}(x)-\mathbb{E}[H_{N,M}(x)]\Big)\to \xi(x)$$

to explicit Gaussian field  $\xi(x)$  with **white noise** component, i.e.

$$\mathbb{E}[\xi(x)\xi(y)] \approx \delta(x-y)$$
 for  $x \approx y$ .

Fluctuations go from log-correlated for M fixed to white noise for  $M \to \infty$ 

#### $M \to \infty$ , comparison to additive case

Define  $X_{N.M}^{\text{add}} := \sum_{k=1}^{M} U_k A U_k^*$ . As  $N, M \to \infty$ , have

$$\frac{1}{M}X_{N,M}^{\text{add}} \approx \frac{1}{N} \Big(\sum_{k=1}^{N} a_k\Big) \cdot \text{Id}$$

$$\sqrt{\frac{N^2-1}{NM}}\Big(X_{N,M}^{\mathsf{add}}-\mathbb{E}[X_{N,M}^{\mathsf{add}}]\Big) pprox (\mathsf{constant}) \cdot \mathsf{GUE}_{N,\mathsf{Tr}=0},$$

where

$$GUE_{N,Tr=0} = \begin{pmatrix} traceless \ Hermitian \ matrix \ with \ i.i.d. \\ complex \ Gaussian \ entries \end{pmatrix}$$

#### Theorem (Johansson '98)

Fluctuations of height function of  $GUE_N$  converge as  $N \to \infty$  to explicit log-correlated Gaussian field.

Fluctuations stay log-correlated between M fixed and  $M \to \infty$ .



## Why does white noise appear?

Consider additive decomposition

$$X_{N,M}^{\mathsf{add}} = \mathbb{E}[X_{N,M}^{\mathsf{add}}] + \left(X_{N,M}^{\mathsf{add}} - \mathbb{E}[X_{N,M}^{\mathsf{add}}]\right).$$

Expectation is multiple of identity:  $\frac{1}{M}\mathbb{E}[X_{N,M}^{\mathsf{add}}] \approx (\mathsf{const}) \cdot \mathsf{Id}$ 

$$(\textit{k}^{\text{th}} \text{ eigenval. of } \textit{X}^{\textit{add}}_{\textit{N},\textit{M}}) \approx \boxed{(\texttt{const}_1) \cdot \textit{M}} + \boxed{(\texttt{const}_2) \cdot \sqrt{\textit{M}} \cdot \gamma_{\textit{k}}}\\ \mathbb{E}[\textit{X}^{\text{add}}_{\textit{N},\textit{M}}] & \textit{X}^{\text{add}}_{\textit{N},\textit{M}} - \mathbb{E}[\textit{X}^{\text{add}}_{\textit{N},\textit{M}}]}$$

for  $\gamma_k \stackrel{d}{=} (k^{\text{th}} \text{ eigenval. of GUE}_{N,\text{Tr}=0}).$ 

Fluctuations of spectrum of  $X_{N,M}^{\text{add}}$  come **only** from fluctuations of spectrum of  $X_{N,M}^{\text{add}} - \mathbb{E}[X_{N,M}^{\text{add}}]$ .

## Why does white noise appear?

Consider multiplicative decomposition

$$\begin{split} \log X_{N,M}^{\text{mult}}(X_{N,M}^{\text{mult}})^* &= \mathbb{E}[\log X_{N,M}^{\text{mult}}(X_{N,M}^{\text{mult}})^*] \\ &+ \Big(\log X_{N,M}^{\text{mult}}(X_{N,M}^{\text{mult}})^* - \mathbb{E}[\log X_{N,M}^{\text{mult}}(X_{N,M}^{\text{mult}})^*]\Big). \end{split}$$

Expectation  $\mathbb{E}[\log X_{N,M}^{\text{mult}}(X_{N,M}^{\text{mult}})^*]$  has non-trivial spectrum

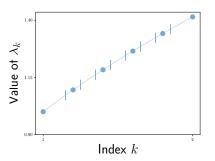
- ▶  $k^{\text{th}}$  eigenvalue of log  $X_{N,M}^{\text{mult}}(X_{N,M}^{\text{mult}})^*$  not determined from spectra of its expectation and fluctuations
- ▶ fluctuations  $\left(\log X_{N,M}^{\text{mult}}(X_{N,M}^{\text{mult}})^* \mathbb{E}[\log X_{N,M}^{\text{mult}}(X_{N,M}^{\text{mult}})^*]\right)$  are distributed along the spectrum of  $\mathbb{E}[\log X_{N,M}^{\text{mult}}(X_{N,M}^{\text{mult}})^*]$

### Why a $M^{1/2}$ scaling?

For **fixed** N,  $M \to \infty$ : limit of Lyapunov exponents is

$$(\lambda_1,\ldots,\lambda_N)\approx \mathbb{E}\Big[(\lambda_1,\ldots,\lambda_N)\Big]+\frac{1}{\sqrt{M}}\mathcal{N}(0,\Sigma)$$

[Akemann-Burda-Kieburg '14], [Forrester '15], [Reddy '16], [Kieburg-Kosters '17]



Empirical measure  $\frac{1}{N} \sum_{k=1}^{N} \delta_{\lambda_k}$  has non-trivial limit, so...

- ▶  $\frac{1}{\sqrt{M}}$  fluctuation in height function (giving  $M^{1/2}$  scaling)

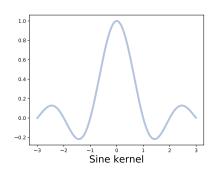
#### Does the relative rate of growth of *N*, *M* matter?

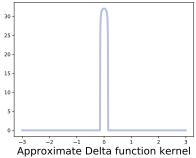
Global LLN and CLT: Our result holds for any relative rate

For **local statistics** (correlations in a  $O(N^{-1})$  neighborhood), as  $N, M \to \infty$  jointly for complex Ginibre:

- for  $N \gg M$ : sine kernel correlations
- ▶ for  $N \ll M$ ; transition to delta function statistics

[Akemann-Burda-Kieburg '18] [Liu-Wang-Wang '18]





#### Analogy with Dyson Brownian motion

#### **Dyson Brownian Motion** (DBM) is the process

$$\{X_k(t)\}_{k=1}^N = \begin{cases} \text{eigenvalues of Brownian motion on} \\ N \times N \text{ complex Hermitian matrices} \end{cases}$$

It solves the stochastic differential equation

$$dX_k(t) = dB_k(t) + \sum_{j \neq k} \frac{dt}{X_k(t) - X_j(t)}.$$

#### Observation (Maurice Duits)

Double contour integral for correlation kernel of singular values of products of M Ginibre matrices looks similar to kernel for DBM at time  $t = M^{-1}$ .

### Analogy with Dyson Brownian motion

For N = 1, DBM is Brownian motion. For  $\xi_i \sim \mathcal{N}_{\mathbb{C}}(0, 1/2)$ :

$$\frac{1}{tM}\log\prod_{i=1}^{tM}|\xi_i|\approx \mathbb{E}[\log|\xi_i|] + \sqrt{\mathsf{Var}(\log|\xi_i|)}\cdot\frac{1}{\sqrt{M}}t^{-1}B_t,$$

$$\stackrel{d}{\approx}\mathbb{E}[\log|\xi_i|] + \sqrt{\mathsf{Var}(\log|\xi_i|)}\cdot\frac{1}{\sqrt{M}}B_{t^{-1}},$$

where Brownian motion  $B_t$  satisfies  $t^{-1}B_t \stackrel{d}{=} B_{t^{-1}}$ .

#### Proposition (Akemann-Burda-Kieburg '18)

If  $N/M \to \infty$  with  $N/M \in (0, \infty)$ , local law of Lyapunov exponents for Ginibre matrices and DBM started at evenly spaced initial condition coincide.

**Note:** Limiting empirical measure of Lyapunov exponents for Ginibre is uniform.

### Analogy with Dyson Brownian motion

Recall the SDE for Dyson Brownian Motion:

$$dX_k(t) = dB_k(t) + \sum_{j \neq k} \frac{dt}{X_k(t) - X_j(t)}.$$

Addition:  $X_k(0) = (const)$ 

all  $t \implies log$ -correlated (strong interactions dominate)

Multiplication:  $X_k(0) = k^{th}$  Lyapunov exponent

small  $t \implies$  white noise (BM near initial condition dominates)

finite  $t \implies \text{log-correlated (strong interactions dominate)}$ 

[Duits-Johansson '18]

Relies on non-trivial limit of Lyapunov exponents!

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#### Overview of method

#### Combine integrable probability and moment method:

- 1. Define Bessel generating function  $\phi_{x}^{\text{mult}}(s)$  of measure
- 2. Find differential operators  $D_k$  in  $s_1, \ldots, s_N$  giving moments

$$\mathbb{E}\Big[p_{k_1}(x)\cdots p_{k_r}(x)\Big] = D_{k_1}\cdots D_{k_r}\phi_X^{\text{mult}}(\rho),$$

where 
$$p_k(x) = x_1^k + \cdots + x_N^k$$
.

- 3. Obtain **LLN** and **CLT** with integral covariance kernel in terms of asymptotics for derivatives of  $\log \phi_X^{\text{mult}}(s)$ .
- 4. Obtain **exact asymptotics** for derivatives of  $\log \phi_X^{\text{mult}}(s)$ .

Analogous to moment generating functions for 1-D measures.

### 1-D LLN and CLT from moment generating function

Let  $X_N$  be a sequence of real-valued random variables.

1. Moment generating function is

$$\phi_{X_N}(s) = \mathbb{E}\Big[e^{sX_N}\Big].$$

2. Moments of  $X_N$  are obtained by derivatives

$$\mathbb{E}[X_N^k] = \phi_{X_N}^{(k)}(0).$$

3. Cumulants of  $X_N$  are obtained by log-derivatives so that

$$\begin{array}{l} \text{LLN} \iff \kappa_2(X_N) = \frac{d^2}{ds^2}[\log \phi_{X_N}(s)]\Big|_{s=0} = o(1) \\ \\ \text{CLT} \iff \kappa_k(X_N) = \frac{d^k}{ds^k}[\log \phi_{X_N}(s)]\Big|_{s=0} = o(1) \text{ for } k \geq 3. \end{array}$$

4. Get LLN and CLT from log-derivatives for specific  $\phi_{X_N}(s)$ .



### Step 1: Multivariate Bessel generating functions

#### Multivariate Bessel function is defined by

$$\mathcal{B}(s,x) := \frac{\det(e^{s_i x_j})_{i,j=1}^N}{\prod_{i < j} (s_i - s_j) \prod_{i < j} (x_i - x_j)} (N-1)! \cdots 1!.$$

For measure  $\nu(x)$  on *N*-tuples  $(x_1 \ge \cdots \ge x_N)$  and  $\rho = (N-1,\ldots,0)$ , the **Bessel generating function** is

$$\phi_
u(oldsymbol{s}) := \mathbb{E}_
u\left[rac{\mathcal{B}(oldsymbol{s}; oldsymbol{x})}{\mathcal{B}(
ho, oldsymbol{x})}
ight].$$

- normalized by  $\phi_{\nu}(\rho) = 1$
- $\phi_{\nu}(s)$  is analogue of Schur generating function for discrete measures ( $\rho$  replaced by  $0^N$  in [Bufetov-Gorin '13-'17])

### Step 1: Bessel generating functions and products

Recall for  $\rho = (N-1, ..., 0)$  and a measure  $\nu$  on  $(x_1, ..., x_N)$ :

$$\phi_
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Let  $\nu$  be the measure on **log-singular values** (scaled by 2) of a random matrix X. Define

$$\phi_X^{\mathsf{mult}}(s) := \phi_{\nu}(s).$$

#### Proposition

For independent right-unitarily invariant matrices X, Y:

$$\phi_{XY}^{\mathsf{mult}}(s) = \phi_{X}^{\mathsf{mult}}(s) \cdot \phi_{Y}^{\mathsf{mult}}(s).$$

**Proof:** Analytic continuation of functional relation for unitary group characters.

## Step 2: Moments from Bessel generating functions

Consider differential operators

$$D_k := \prod_{i < j} (s_i - s_j)^{-1} \circ \sum_{i=1}^N \partial_i^k \circ \prod_{i < j} (s_i - s_j).$$

#### Proposition (Gorin-S. '18)

If  $\phi_{\nu}(s)$  is Bessel generating function for measure  $\nu$  on  $(x_1 \geq \cdots \geq x_N)$ , moments of  $\nu$  are

$$\mathbb{E}[p_{k_1}(x)\cdots p_{k_r}(x)] = D_{k_1}\cdots D_{k_r}\phi_{\nu}(\rho)$$

for  $p_k(x) = x_1^k + \cdots + x_N^k$ .

**Proof:** Analytic continuation from  $D_k \phi_{\nu}(s) = p_k(x) \phi_{\nu}(s)$  via

$$\frac{\mathcal{B}(\boldsymbol{s},\boldsymbol{x})}{\mathcal{B}(\boldsymbol{\rho},\boldsymbol{x})} = \frac{\det(e^{\boldsymbol{s}_i\boldsymbol{x}_j})_{i,j=1}^N}{\prod_{i< j}(\boldsymbol{s}_i-\boldsymbol{s}_j)} \frac{\prod_{i< j}(\rho_i-\rho_j)}{\det(e^{\rho_i\boldsymbol{x}_j})_{i,j=1}^N}.$$

## Step 3: LLN from Bessel generating functions

#### Theorem (Gorin-S. '18)

If  $\phi_X^{\text{mult}}(s)$  for probability measure on  $(x_1 \ge \cdots \ge x_N)$  satisfies

$$rac{1}{N} \partial_{r_i} [\log \phi_X^{\mathsf{mult}}(\mathit{rN})] \Big|_{r_k = 
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eq j} 
ightarrow \Psi'(r_i),$$

have convergence in probability for fixed M:

$$\lim_{N\to\infty}\frac{1}{N}p_k(x)=\frac{1}{k+1}\oint\Big(\log(u/(u-1))+\Psi'(u)\Big)^{k+1}\frac{du}{2\pi \mathbf{i}}$$

and for  $\psi_X(s) = \phi_X^{\mathsf{mult}}(s)^M$  with  $M \to \infty$ :

$$\lim_{N\to\infty}\frac{1}{N}p_k(x)=\oint\log(u/(u-1))\Psi'(u)^k\frac{du}{2\pi\mathbf{i}}.$$

## Step 3: CLT from Bessel generating functions

#### Theorem (Gorin-S. '18)

If  $\phi_X^{\mathsf{mult}}(s)$  for probability measure on  $(x_1 \geq \cdots \geq x_N)$  satisfies

$$\frac{1}{N} \partial_{r_i} [\log \phi_X^{\text{mult}}(rN)] \Big|_{r_k = \rho_k/N, k \neq i} \to \Psi'(r_i)$$

$$\partial_{r_i} \partial_{r_j} [\log \phi_X^{\text{mult}}(rN)] \Big|_{r_k = \rho_k/N, k \neq i, j} \to F^{(1,1)}(r_i, r_j)$$

have Gaussian limit for  $\{p_k(x) - \mathbb{E}[p_k(x)]\}_{k \in \mathbb{N}}$  with  $Cov(p_k, p_l)$ :

$$\oint \oint \left(\log(u/(u-1)) + \Psi'(u)\right)^k \left(\log(w/(w-1)) + \Psi'(w)\right)^l \left(\frac{1}{(u-w)^2} + F^{(1,1)}(u,w)\right) \frac{du}{2\pi \mathbf{i}} \frac{dw}{2\pi \mathbf{i}}.$$

For  $M \to \infty$ : Similar theorem with  $\psi_X^{\text{mult}}(s) = \phi_X^{\text{mult}}(s)^M$ 

## Step 4: Asymptotics of Bessel generating functions

For LLN and CLT, need to find  $\Psi$  and F so that

$$\begin{split} & \frac{1}{N} \partial_{r_i} [\log \phi_X^{\text{mult}}(\textit{rN})] \Big|_{r_k = \rho_k/N, k \neq i} \rightarrow \Psi'(r_i) \\ & \partial_{r_i} \partial_{r_j} [\log \phi_X^{\text{mult}}(\textit{rN})] \Big|_{r_k = \rho_k/N, k \neq i, j} \rightarrow \textit{F}^{(1,1)}(r_i, r_j). \end{split}$$

For X = AU with A diagonal and U Haar unitary

$$\phi_X^{\mathsf{mult}}(s) = rac{\mathcal{B}(s,a)}{\mathcal{B}(
ho,a)}.$$

LLN  $\iff$  asymptotics for *s* differing from  $\rho$  in 1 coordinate:

$$s = (y, N-1, \dots, \widehat{x}, \dots, 0).$$

## Step 4: LLN asymptotics

#### Theorem (Gorin-S. '18)

If the empirical measure of diagonal entries of A has limit  $\nu$ :

$$\lim_{N\to\infty}\frac{1}{N}\partial_{r_k}[\log\phi_X^{\text{mult}}(rN)]\Big|_{r_k=\rho_k/N, k\neq i}=-\log S_{\nu}(r_i-1).$$

**Proof:** Asymptotic analysis of double contour integral

$$\frac{\mathcal{B}(s,a)}{\mathcal{B}(\rho,a)} = (\text{const}) \oint_{\{e^{a_k}\}} \frac{dz}{2\pi \mathbf{i}} \oint_{\{0,z\}} \frac{dw}{2\pi \mathbf{i}} \cdot \frac{z^x w^{-y-1}}{z-w} \cdot \prod_{k=1}^N \frac{w - e^{a_k}}{z - e^{a_k}}$$

for

$$s = (yN, N-1, \dots, \widehat{xN}, \dots, 0).$$

### Step 4: LLN asymptotics

QR decomposition for a complex matrix:

X = UR with U unitary, R upper triangular

Lemma (Kieburg-Kosters '15, Gorin-S. '18)

If X is right unitarily invariant with QR-decomposition X = UR

$$\phi_X^{\mathsf{mult}}(s) = \mathbb{E}\Big[\prod_{k=1}^N R_{kk}^{2(s_k - \rho_k)}\Big].$$

#### Corollary (Gorin-S. '18)

Let X be right unitarily invariant with singular value measure converging to  $\nu$ . For  $t \in [0, 1]$ , we have

$$-\log \mathcal{S}_{\nu}(t-1) = \lim_{N \to \infty} \mathbb{E}[2\log R_{\lfloor tN \rfloor, \lfloor tN \rfloor}].$$

#### Summary

- 1. Global fluctuations of sums and products of M independent  $N \times N$  unitarily-invariant random matrices converge to explicit Gaussian fields as  $N \to \infty$ .
  - ▶ sums: log-correlated fields for *M* fixed and  $M \rightarrow \infty$
  - ▶ products: **log-correlated** for M fixed to **white noise** for  $M \to \infty$
- Uses differential operators acting on multivariate Bessel generating functions of empirical measures of Lyapunov exponents.

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