

Stationary two-point correlation for the KPZ equation

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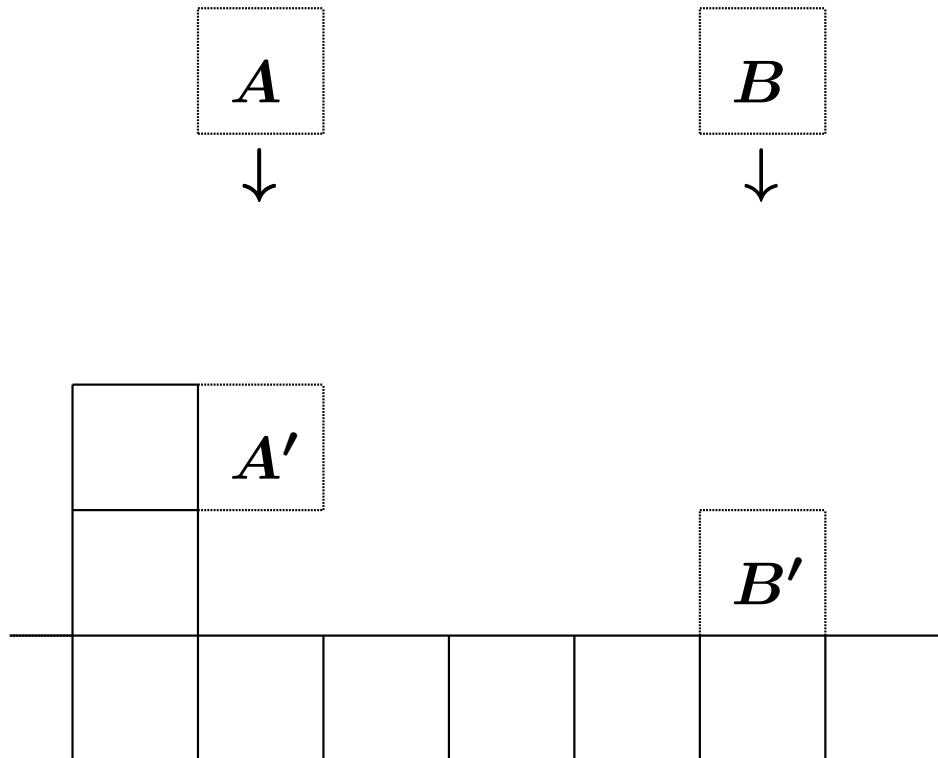
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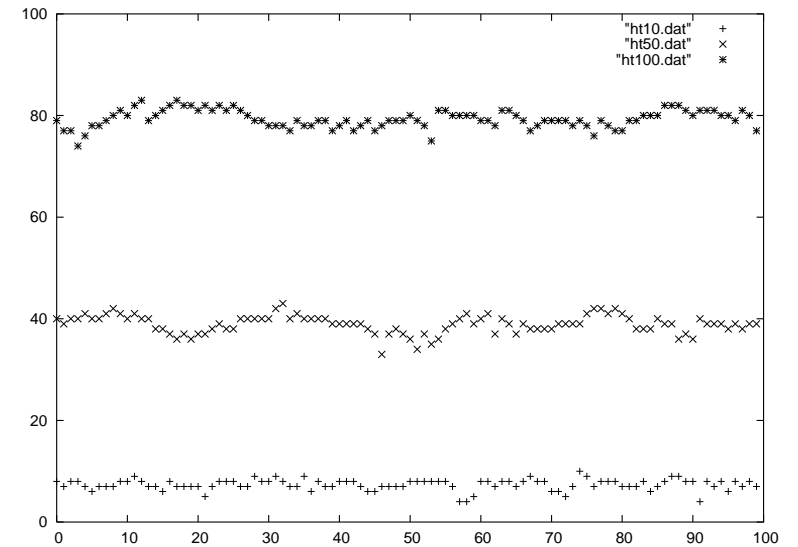
1. Introduction: 1D surface growth

An example: ballistic deposition model



3 snapshots for flat substrate

Kinetic roughening



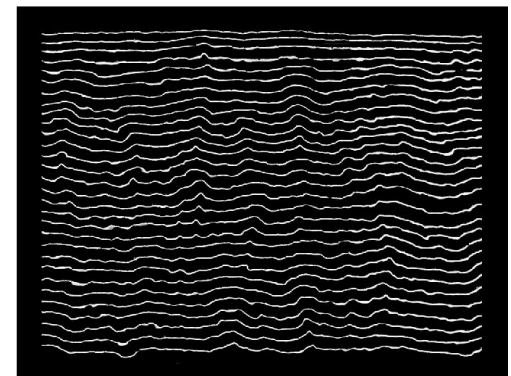
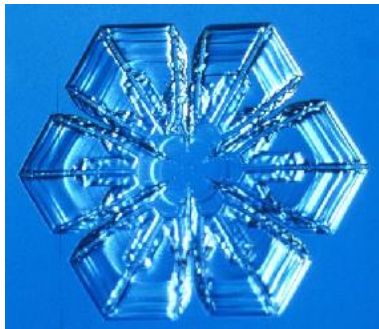
Motivations

- Ubiquitous and interesting physical phenomenon in itself
- Beautiful hidden mathematical structure (e.g. Macdonald)
- Two aspects from non-eq stat. mech: dynamic and stationary

Kinetic roughening (dynamical)

Nonequilibrium steady state (NESS)

Nonlinearity + Noise



Scaling

$h(x, t)$: surface height at position x and at time t

- In stationary state, height looks like a random walk.

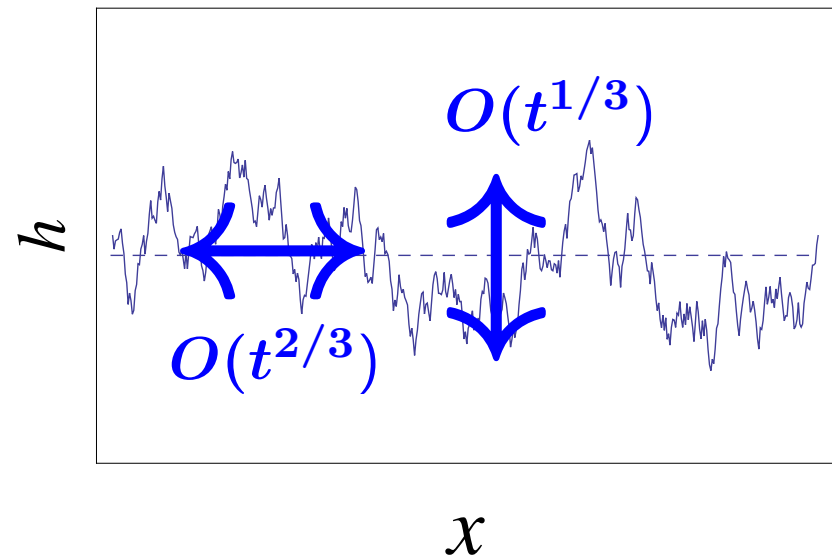
$$h(x, t) - h(0, t) \sim O(x^{1/2})$$

for large x

- $h(x, t) \sim vt + O(t^{1/3})$

for large t

- $h(at^{2/3}, t), h(bt^{2/3}, t)$ has nontrivial correlation.



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 η is the Gaussian noise with mean 0 and covariance
 $\langle \eta(x, t)\eta(x', t') \rangle = \delta(x - x')\delta(t - t')$

- The Brownian motion is stationary.
- By a **dynamical RG analysis**, one can see the KPZ equation exhibit the correct scaling. \rightarrow **KPZ universality class**

- By $x \rightarrow \alpha^2 x$, $t \rightarrow 2\nu\alpha^4 t$, $h \rightarrow \frac{\lambda}{2\nu} h$, $\alpha = \frac{\lambda^{1/2}}{(2\nu)^{3/2}}$, we can and will do set $\nu = \frac{1}{2}$, $\lambda = D = 1$.

- **Noisy Burgers equation:** For $u(x, t) = \partial_x h(x, t)$,

$$\partial_t u = \frac{1}{2} \partial_x^2 u + \frac{1}{2} \partial_x u^2 + \partial_x \eta(x, t)$$

- KPZ equation is not really well-defined.

We consider the Cole-Hopf solution,

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

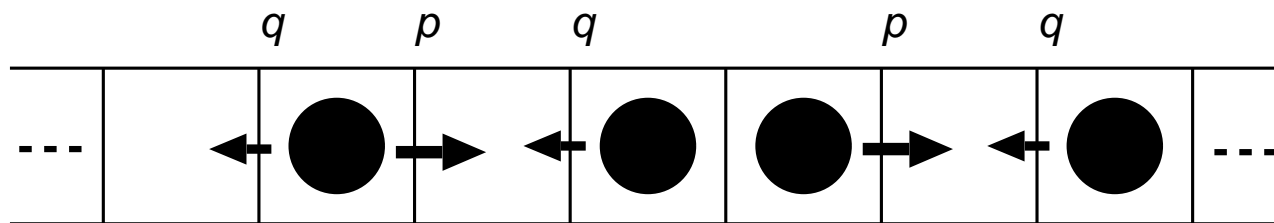
where $Z(x, t)$ is the solution of the stochastic heat equation,

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

where $B(x, t)$ is the cylindrical Brownian motion.

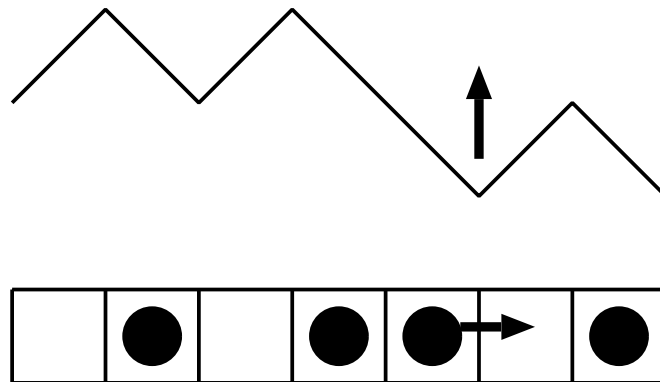
2. Scaling limit results from discrete models

An example: **ASEP** (asymmetric simple exclusion process)

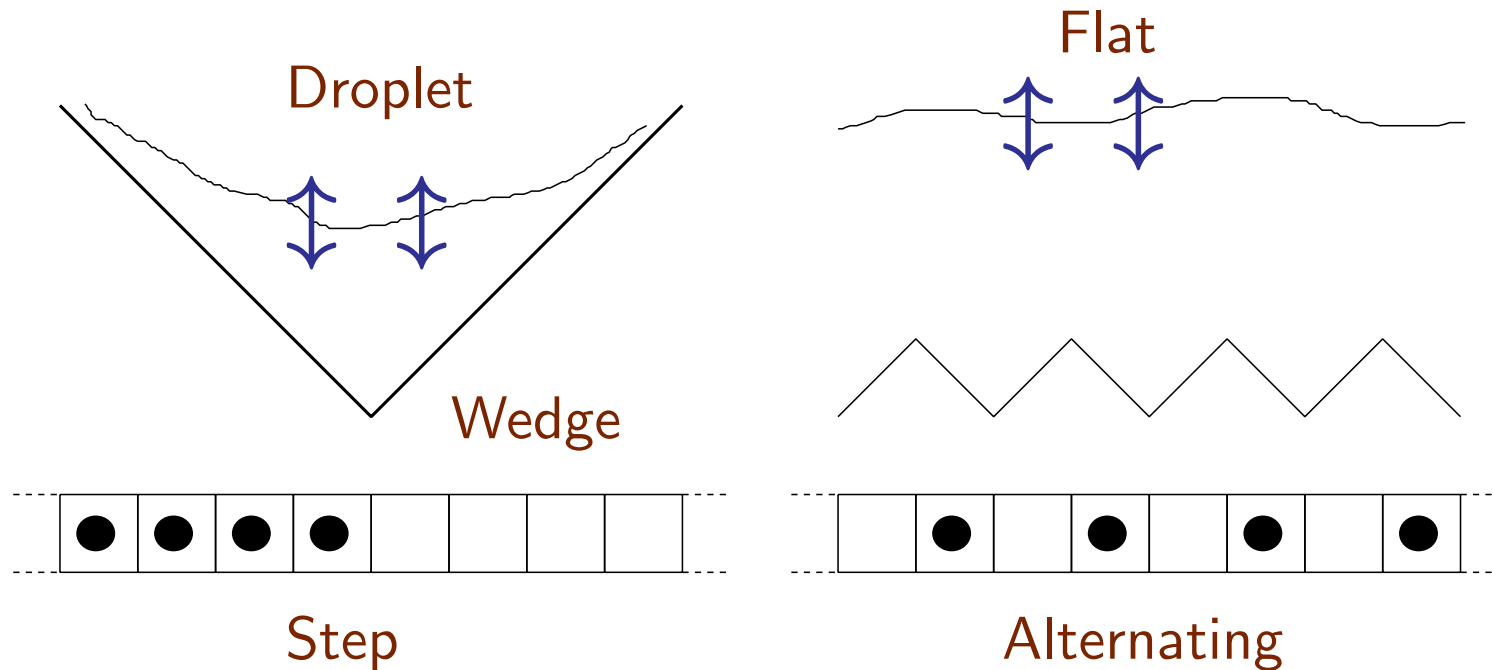


Bernoulli measure is stationary.

Mapping to surface growth



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)

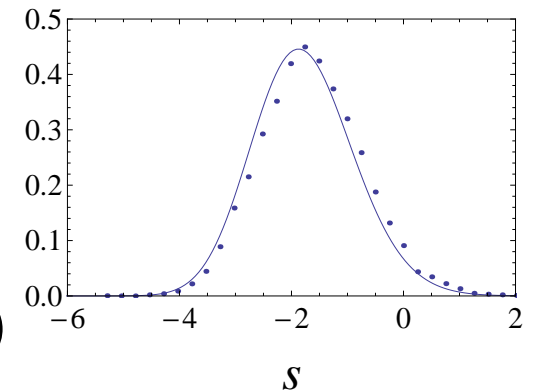
$$N(\mathbf{0}, t/(q - p)) \simeq \frac{1}{4}t - 2^{-4/3}t^{1/3}\xi_{\text{TW}}$$

Here $N(x = \mathbf{0}, t)$ is the integrated current of ASEP at the origin and ξ_{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 P_s : projection onto the interval $[s, \infty)$ and K_{Ai} is the Airy kernel

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



Other cases

	wedge	flat	stationary
1pt	GUE TW	GOE TW	F_0
multi	Airy ₂	Airy ₁	Airy ₀ (?)

2000 Baik Rains GOE TW

2000 Baik Rains, Prähofer Ferrari Spohn F_0

2001 Prähofer Spohn, Johansson Airy₂

2005 Borodin Ferrari Prähofer S Airy₁

2009 Baik Ferrari Piché Airy₀(?)

3. Experiments by liquid crystal turbulence

2010-2012 Takeuchi Sano (see arXiv:1203.2530)

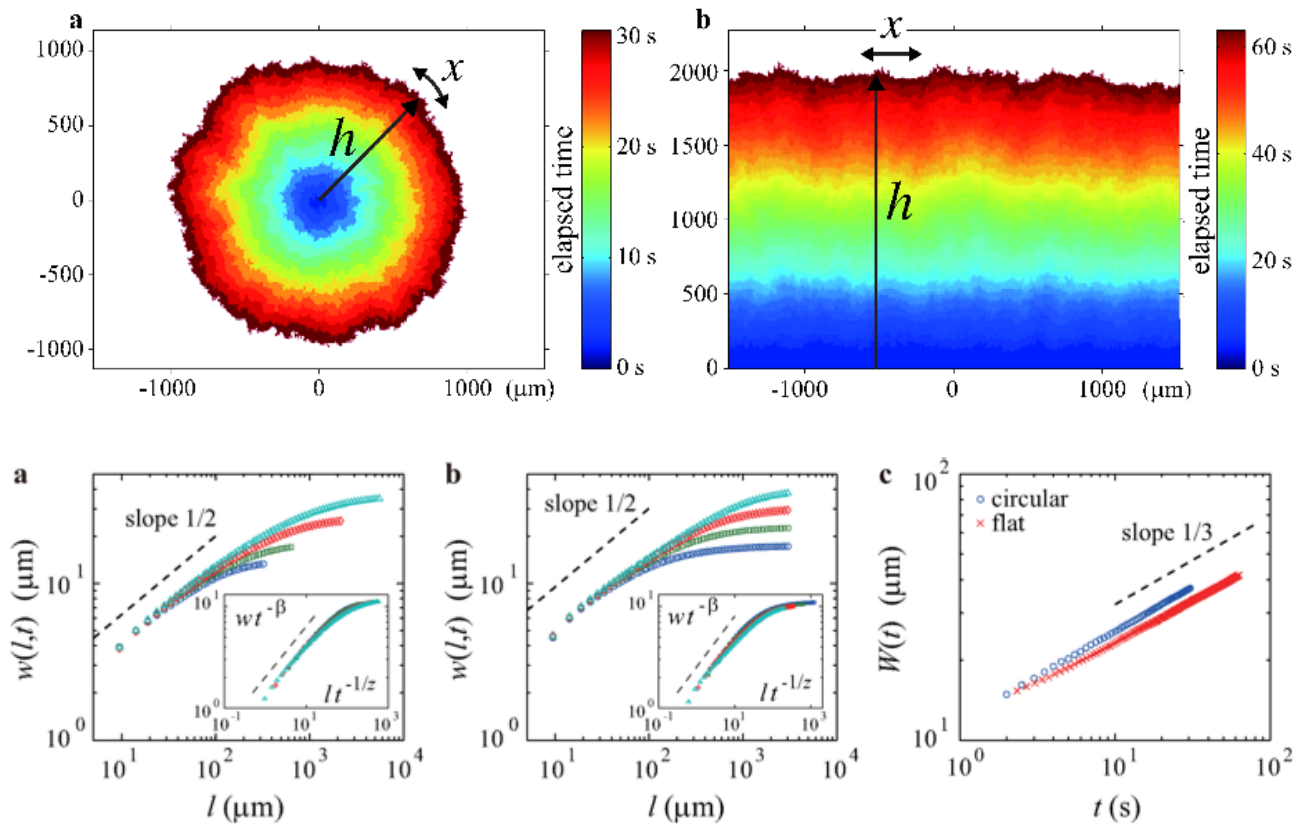
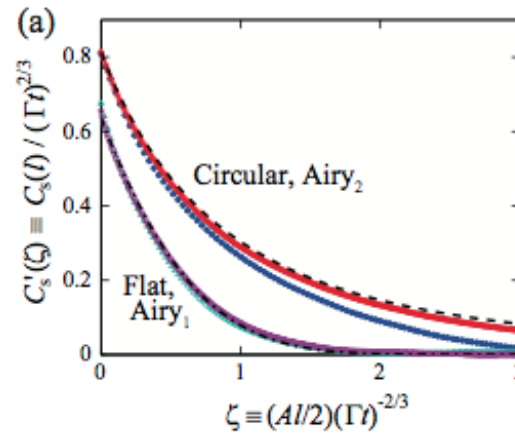
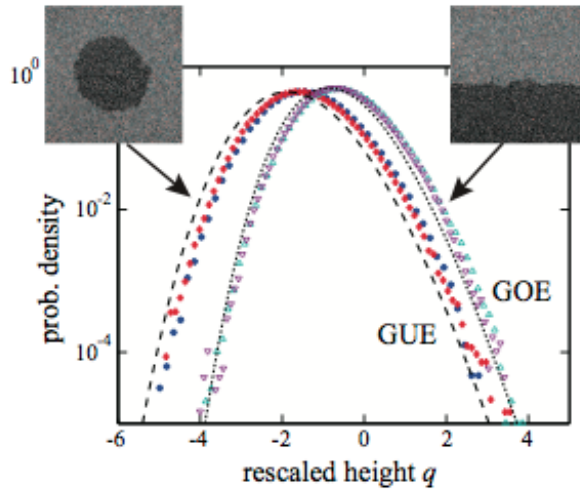


Figure 2 | Family-Vicsek scaling. a,b, Interface width $w(l, t)$ against the length scale l at different times t for the circular (a) and flat (b) interfaces. The four data correspond, from bottom to top, to $t = 2.0$ s, 4.0 s, 12.0 s and 30.0 s for the panel a and to $t = 4.0$ s, 10.0 s, 25.0 s and 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.

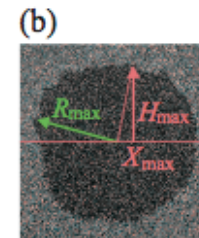
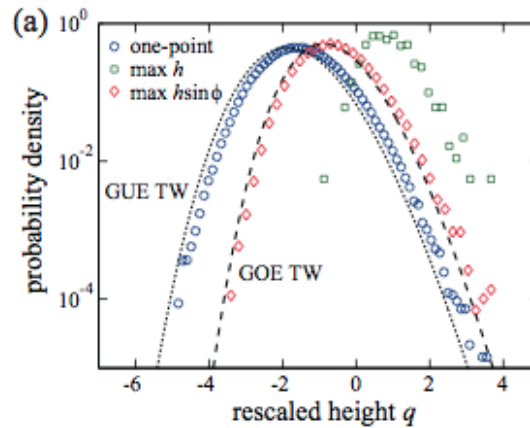
Fluctuations in experiments

1pt



Airy_{1,2}

Max[Airy₂ - x²]



Challenges for us: time correlation, persistence...

4. 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
- In the book by Barabási Stanley [1995], they write "the KPZ equation cannot be solved in closed form"

Before this

2009 Balażs, Quastel, and Seppäläinen

The $1/3$ exponent for the stationary case

Narrow wedge initial condition

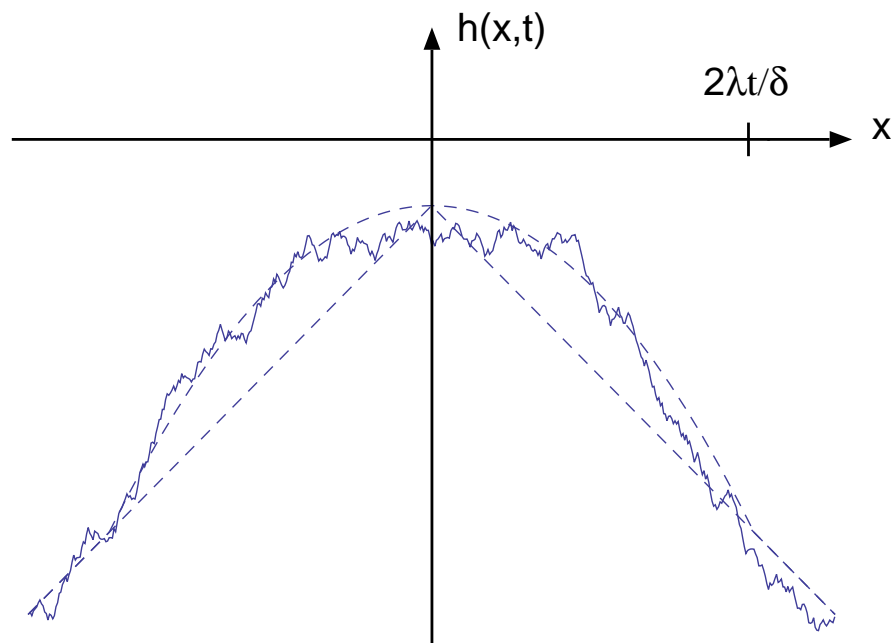
We consider the initial condition, $Z(\mathbf{x}, 0) = \delta(\mathbf{x})$.

This corresponds to the droplet growth with the following narrow wedge initial conditions:

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

For finite t , the macroscopic shape is

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



Distribution

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

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

The distribution function of ξ_t

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

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!)

- Structural

2010 O'Connell A directed polymer model related to q-Toda

2011 COSZ Tropical RSK for inverse gamma polymer

2011 Borodin Corwin Macdonald process

- Probabilistic

- Generalizations by replica method

2010 Calabrese Le Doussal Rosso, Dotsenko Narrow wedge

2010 Prohac Spohn Multi-point distributions

2011 Calabrese Le Dossal Flat

2011 Imamura Sasamoto Half-BM and stationary

5. Stationary case

- **Narrow wedge** is technically the simplest (transient).
- **Flat** case is a well-studied case in surface growth (transient)
- **Stationary** case is important for stochastic process and nonequilibrium statistical mechanics
 - Two-point correlation function
 - Experiments: Scattering, direct observation
 - A lot of approximate methods (renormalization, mode-coupling, etc.) have been applied to this case.
 - Nonequilibrium steady state(NESS): No principle. Dynamics is even harder.

Modification of initial condition

Original: 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 is stationary.

Modification: 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}

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

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

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, ∞) ,

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

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

and

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

where Γ_{z_p} represents the contour from $-\infty$ to ∞ 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.

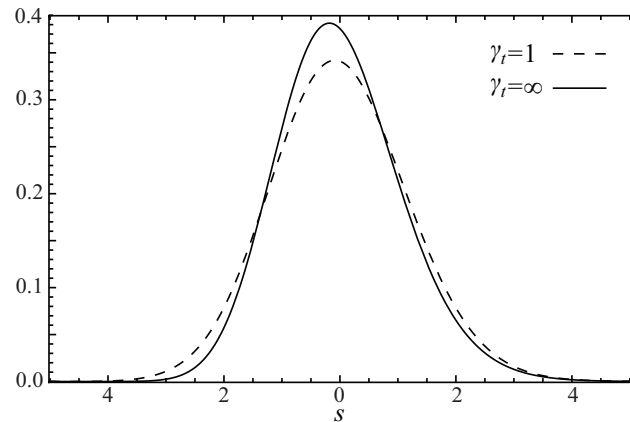


Figure 1: Stationary height distributions for the KPZ equation for $\gamma_t = 1$ case. The solid curve is F_0 .

Stationary 2pt correlation function

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

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

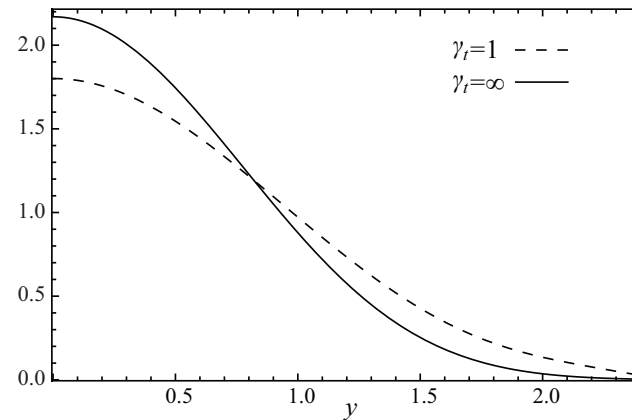


Figure 2: Stationary 2pt correlation function $g''_t(y)$ for $\gamma_t = 1$. The solid curve is the corresponding quantity in the scaling limit $g''(y)$.

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 η .

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

Apparently the series is divergent but should be a "shadow" of a rigorous version at a higher level.

Replica method

For a system with randomness, e.g. for random Ising model,

$$H = \sum_{\langle ij \rangle} J_{ij} s_i s_j$$

where i is site, $s_i = \pm 1$ is Ising spin, J_{ij} is iid random variable (e.g. Bernoulli), we are interested in the averaged free energy $\langle \log Z \rangle$, $Z = \sum_{s_i = \pm 1} e^{-H}$.

In replica method, one often resorts to the following identity,

$$\langle \log Z \rangle = \lim_{n \rightarrow 0} \frac{\langle Z^n \rangle - 1}{n},$$

which needs an analytic continuation wrt n .

δ-Bose gas

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

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

H_N is the Hamiltonian of the δ -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 : $H_N |\Psi_z\rangle = E_z |\Psi_z\rangle$.

[Old fashioned...probably possible to do like BC.]

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

$$\langle \mathbf{x}_1, \dots, \mathbf{x}_N | \Psi_z \rangle = C_z \sum_{P \in S_N} \text{sgn} P \times \prod_{1 \leq j < k \leq N} (z_{P(j)} - z_{P(k)} + i \text{sgn}(\mathbf{x}_j - \mathbf{x}_k)) \exp \left(i \sum_{l=1}^N z_{P(l)} \mathbf{x}_l \right)$$

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 α th group consists of n_α quasimomenta z'_j s which shares the common real part q_α .

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

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

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 is known (e.g. Prolhac Spohn).

We see

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

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 ,

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

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

Generating function

$$G_t(s) = \sum_{N=0}^{\infty} \prod_{l=1}^N (v_+ + v_- - l) \sum_{M=1}^N \frac{(-e^{-\gamma t s})^N}{M!}$$

$$\prod_{\alpha=1}^M \left(\int_0^{\infty} d\omega_{\alpha} \sum_{n_{\alpha}=1}^{\infty} \right) \delta_{\sum_{\beta=1}^M n_{\beta}, N}$$

$$\det \left(\int_C \frac{dq}{\pi} \frac{e^{-\gamma_t^3 n_j q^2 + \frac{\gamma_t^3}{12} n_j^3 - n_j(\omega_j + \omega_k) - 2iq(\omega_j - \omega_k)}}{\prod_{r=1}^{n_j} \left(-iq + v_- + \frac{1}{2}(n_j - 2r) \right) \left(iq + v_+ + \frac{1}{2}(n_j - 2r) \right)} \right)$$

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 χ obeys a certain probability distribution.

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

where h is the original height for which $h(\mathbf{0}, \mathbf{0}) = \mathbf{0}$. The random variable χ 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 χ 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 κ is the Laplace transform of the pdf of χ . For the inverse gamma distribution,

$\kappa(\xi) = \Gamma(v + \xi)/\Gamma(v)$, by which we get the formula for the generating function.

Summary

- Explicit formulas for the stationary situation of the KPZ equation by replica method.
Height distribution and two point correlation function.
- Questions:
A rigorous version.
Other initial and boundary conditions?
- See also the poster by Imamura.

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} \cdots GUE TW distribution

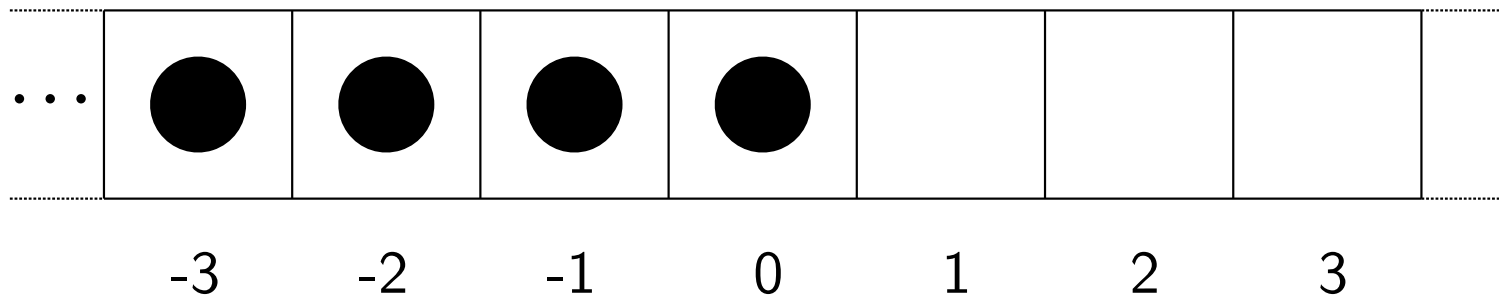
GOE (Gaussian Orthogonal Ensemble) real symmetric matrices

\cdots GOE TW distribution

Connection to random matrix: Johansson

TASEP (Totally ASEP, hop only in one direction)

Step initial condition ($t = 0$)



$N(t)$: Number of particles which crossed $(0,1)$ up to time t

LUE formula

$$\mathbb{P}[N(t) \geq N] = \frac{1}{Z_N} \int_{[0,t]^N} \prod_{i < j} (x_i - x_j)^2 \prod_i e^{-x_i} dx_1 \cdots dx_N$$