

# Multi-species exclusion process and Macdonald polynomials

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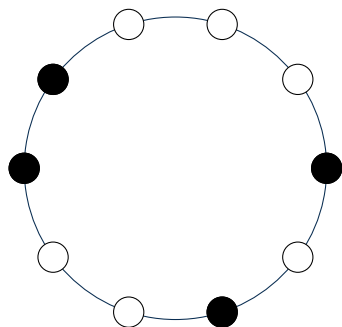
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Continuous time Markov chain of hopping particles:



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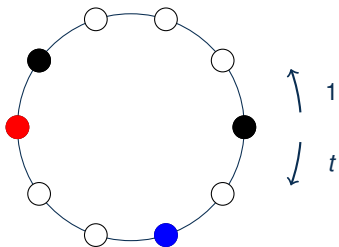
Markov chain:

01  $\mapsto$  10 with rate 1

10  $\mapsto$  01 with rate t

Generalise to multi-species process

## multi-species ASEP



Configurations  $\mu = (\mu_1, \dots, \mu_n)$ ,  $\mu_i \in \{0, \dots, r\}$

$$\dots \mu_i, \mu_{i+1} \dots \mapsto \dots \mu_{i+1}, \mu_i \dots \begin{cases} \text{rate } 1 & \text{if } \mu_i < \mu_{i+1} \\ \text{rate } t & \text{if } \mu_i > \mu_{i+1} \end{cases}$$

We will be interested in the stationary state

## Transition matrix

Let  $|\mu\rangle \in \mathbb{C}^{r+1}$  be the standard basis.

The local transition matrix between  $|\dots \mu_i, \mu_{i+1} \dots\rangle$  and  $|\dots \mu_{i+1}, \mu_i \dots\rangle$  is given by

$$L_i = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & t & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & -t & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

The stationary state  $|\infty\rangle$  is defined by

$$\sum_{i=1}^n L_i |\infty\rangle = 0, \quad |\infty\rangle = \sum_{\mu} f_{\mu_1, \dots, \mu_n} |\mu\rangle.$$

and we would like to know  $f_{\mu}$ .



In the case of  $r = 1$ :

Theorem (Derrida, Evans, Hakim, Pasquier,)

There exist *matrices*  $A_0$  and  $A_1$  such that

$$f_{\mu_1, \dots, \mu_n} = \text{Tr} \left( A_{\mu_1} \cdots A_{\mu_n} \right)$$

and

$$A_0 A_1 - t A_1 A_0 = (1 - t)(A_0 + A_1).$$

Trivial representation ( $A_0 = A_1 = 2$ ) suffices for  $r = 1$  periodic boundary conditions.

For general  $r$  (Prolhac et al) or open boundaries we need “ $t$ -bosons”:

$$A_0 = \phi + 1, \quad A_1 = \phi^\dagger + 1,$$

$$\phi \phi^\dagger - t \phi^\dagger \phi = 1 - t,$$

with infinite “Fock representation”

$$\phi^\dagger |m\rangle = |m+1\rangle, \quad \phi |m\rangle = (1 - t^m) |m-1\rangle.$$





# Inhomogeneous generalisation

- The (multi-species) ASEP is a quantum integrable system (Yang-Baxter)
- There exist an integrable discrete time generalisation with spatial inhomogeneities:

Let

$$\begin{aligned}
 b^+ &= \frac{t(x-y)}{tx-y}, & b^- &= t^{-1}b^+, \\
 c^+ &= 1 - b^+, & c^- &= 1 - b^-.
 \end{aligned} \tag{1}$$

Then for  $r = 1$ , define a generalised local transition matrix between  $|\dots \mu_i, \mu_{i+1} \dots\rangle$  and  $|\dots \mu_{i+1}, \mu_i \dots\rangle$  by

$$\check{R}_i(x, y) = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & c^- & b^+ & 0 \\ 0 & b^- & c^+ & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}, \quad L_i = \check{R}_i(1, 1)^{-1} \check{R}'_i(1, 1).$$



## Generalised stationary state

The generalised inhomogeneous stationary state  $|\infty\rangle$  is now defined by

$$\check{R}_i(x_i, x_{i+1}) |\infty\rangle = s_i |\infty\rangle, \quad |\infty\rangle = \sum_{\mu} f_{\mu_1, \dots, \mu_n}(x_1, \dots, x_n) |\mu\rangle.$$

with quasi-periodic boundary condition

$$\check{f}_{\mu_n, \mu_1, \dots, \mu_{n-1}}(qx_n, x_1, \dots, x_{n-1}; q, t) = q^{\mu_n} f_{\mu_1, \dots, \mu_n}(x_1, \dots, x_n; q, t).$$



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To solve for  $f_{\mu}$  we assume that

$$f_{\mu_1, \dots, \mu_n}(x_1, \dots, x_n) = \text{Tr} \left( A_{\mu_1}(x_1) \cdots A_{\mu_n}(x_n) S \right)$$



# What are Macdonald polynomials?



# Symmetric group

Let  $s_i$  ( $i = 1, \dots, n - 1$ ) be generators of the symmetric group  $S_n$ :

$$s_i s_{i+1} s_i = s_{i+1} s_i s_{i+1}$$

$$s_i^2 = 1;$$

There exist a natural  $t$ -deformation of  $S_n$ :

$$(T_i - t)(T_i + 1) = 0, \quad (i = 1, \dots, n - 1),$$

$$T_i T_{i+1} T_i = T_{i+1} T_i T_{i+1}.$$

This is the Hecke algebra (of type  $A_{n-1}$ ) and  $S_n$  is recovered when  $t \rightarrow 1$ .



# Polynomial action

The generators  $s_i$  act naturally on polynomials:

$$s_i f(\dots, x_i, x_{i+1}, \dots) = f(\dots, x_{i+1}, x_i, \dots) \quad i = 1, \dots, n-1$$

and the  $t$ -deformation also has an action:

$$T_i = t - \frac{tx_i - x_{i+1}}{x_i - x_{i+1}}(1 - s_i).$$

Define the (non-symmetric) polynomials  $f_\mu(x_1, \dots, x_n)$  by these relations:

$$\begin{aligned} T_i f_{\dots, \mu_i, \mu_{i+1}, \dots} &= t f_{\dots, \mu_i, \mu_{i+1}, \dots} & \mu_i &= \mu_{i+1}, \\ T_i f_{\dots, \mu_i, \mu_{i+1}, \dots} &= f_{\dots, \mu_{i+1}, \mu_i, \dots} & \mu_i &> \mu_{i+1}, \\ \omega f_{\mu_n, \mu_1, \dots, \mu_{n-1}} &= q^{\mu_n} f_{\mu_1, \dots, \mu_n}. \end{aligned}$$

- Dynamics of the multi-species inhomogeneous ASEP
- $t$ -deformed Knizhnik-Zamolodchikov equations



# Macdonald polynomial

## Proposition

Let  $\lambda = (\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_n)$  with  $\lambda_1 \geq \dots \geq \lambda_n$ . The polynomial  $P_\lambda$  defined by

$$P_\lambda(x_1, \dots, x_n; q, t) = \sum_{\sigma \in S_n}^* f_{\sigma \circ \lambda}(x_1, \dots, x_n; q, t)$$

is symmetric and equal to a Macdonald polynomial.

Macdonald polynomials are  $(q, t)$  generalisations of Schur polynomials (characters of the symmetric group).

The form

$$f_\lambda(x_1, \dots, x_n) = \text{Tr} \left( A_{\lambda_1}(x_1) \cdots A_{\lambda_n}(x_n) S \right),$$

implies a **matrix product** for Macdonald polynomials which is a completely new way of writing these polynomials



## Theorem (Cantini, dG, Wheeler)

$$P_\lambda(x_1, \dots, x_n; q, t) = \sum_{\mu | \mu^+ = \lambda} \text{Tr} \left[ S \prod_{i=1}^n A_{\mu_i}(x_i) \right],$$

where the sum is over all permutations  $\mu$  of  $\lambda$ .

## Corollary

The normalised stationary state of the multi-species ASEP is given by

$$f_{\mu_1, \dots, \mu_n} = \frac{1}{P_{\mu^+}} \text{Tr} \left[ S \prod_{i=1}^n A_{\mu_i}(x_i) \right],$$

specialised to  $q = x_1 = \dots = x_n = 1$ .





## Explicit construction

For  $r = \lambda_1$  write

$$\mathbb{A}(x) = (A_0(x), \dots, A_r(x))^T,$$

as an  $(r + 1)$ -dimensional **operator valued** column vector.

### Lemma

*The exchange relations are equivalent to*

$$\check{R}(x, y) \cdot [\mathbb{A}(x) \otimes \mathbb{A}(y)] = [\mathbb{A}(y) \otimes \mathbb{A}(x)]$$

$\check{R}(x, y)$  is the  $U_t(\mathfrak{sl}_{r+1})$  R-matrix of dimension  $(r + 1)^2$  ( $r = 1$  is the 6-vertex model).



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Then

$$\mathbb{A}^{(r)}(x) = \tilde{L}^{(r)}(x) \cdot \tilde{L}^{(r-1)}(x) \cdots \tilde{L}^{(1)}(x)$$

Solves the algebra

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## Rank 1 solution

Explicitly

$$\check{R}^{(r)}(x, y) \cdot [\tilde{L}(x) \otimes \tilde{L}(y)] = [\tilde{L}(y) \otimes \tilde{L}(x)] \cdot \check{R}^{(r-1)}(x, y)$$

for  $r = 1$  is given by

$$\left( \begin{array}{cc|cc} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & c^- & b^+ & 0 \\ \hline 0 & b^- & c^+ & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{array} \right) \cdot \left[ \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ x \end{pmatrix} \otimes \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ y \end{pmatrix} \right] = \left[ \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ y \end{pmatrix} \otimes \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ x \end{pmatrix} \right].$$



## Rank 2 solution

$$\left( \begin{array}{ccc|ccc|ccc} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & c^- & 0 & b^+ & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & c^- & 0 & 0 & 0 & b^+ & 0 & 0 \\ \hline 0 & b^- & 0 & c^+ & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & c^- & 0 & b^+ & 0 \\ \hline 0 & 0 & b^- & 0 & 0 & 0 & c^+ & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & b^- & 0 & c^+ & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{array} \right) \cdot \left[ \left( \begin{array}{cc} 1 & \phi^\dagger \\ xk & 0 \\ x\phi & x \end{array} \right) \otimes \left( \begin{array}{cc} 1 & \phi^\dagger \\ yk & 0 \\ y\phi & y \end{array} \right) \right] =$$

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We construct a solution for  $\mathbb{A}$  in the following way:

$$\mathbb{A}(x) = \tilde{L}^{(2)}(x) \cdot \tilde{L}^{(1)}(x) = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & \phi^\dagger \\ xk & 0 \\ x\phi & x \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ x \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 + x\phi^\dagger \\ kx \\ x\phi + x^2 \end{pmatrix}.$$

Example:

$$f_{001122}(x_1, \dots, x_6; q = t^u, t) = \text{Tr} [A_0(x_1)A_0(x_2)A_1(x_3)A_1(x_4)A_2(x_5)A_2(x_6)S],$$

$$A_0(x) = 1 + x\phi^\dagger,$$

$$A_1(x) = xk,$$

$$A_2(x) = x\phi + x^2,$$

$S$  has the form

$$S = k^u = \text{diag}\{1, t^{-u}, t^{-2u}, \dots\} = \text{diag}\{1, q^{-1}, q^{-2}, \dots\}.$$



## Example

$$\begin{aligned}
 f_{001122}(x_1, \dots, x_6; q = t^u, t) &= \\
 \text{Tr} \left[ \left( (1 + x_1 \phi^\dagger) (1 + x_2 \phi^\dagger) x_3 k x_4 k x_5 (\phi + x_5) x_6 (\phi + x_6) S \right) \right] \\
 &= x_3 x_4 x_5 x_6 \text{Tr} \left[ \left( x_5 x_6 k^2 + (x_1 + x_2)(x_5 + x_6) \phi^\dagger k^2 \phi + x_1 x_2 (\phi^\dagger)^2 k^2 \phi^2 \right) S \right],
 \end{aligned}$$

where other terms involving unequal powers of  $\phi^\dagger$  and  $a$  have zero trace.

Normalising with  $\text{Tr}(k^2 S)$  we finally get

$$\begin{aligned}
 f_{001122}(x_1, \dots, x_6; q = t^u, t) &= x_3 x_4 x_5^2 x_6^2 \\
 &+ x_3 x_4 x_5 x_6 (x_1 + x_2)(x_5 + x_6) t^2 \frac{\text{Tr} \phi^\dagger \phi k^2 S}{\text{Tr} k^2 S} + x_1 x_2 x_3 x_4 x_5 x_6 t^4 \frac{\text{Tr} (\phi^\dagger)^2 \phi^2 k^2 S}{\text{Tr} k^2 S}
 \end{aligned}$$



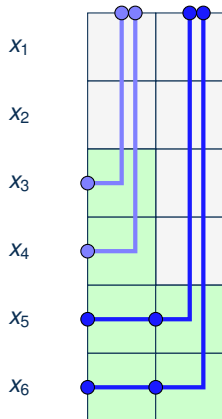


## Solution for rank 3

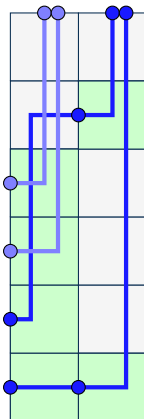
$$\mathbb{A}^{(3)}(x) = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & \phi_2^\dagger & \phi_3^\dagger \\ xk_3k_2 & 0 & 0 \\ xk_3\phi_2 & xk_3 & 0 \\ x\phi_3 & x\phi_3\phi_2^\dagger & x \end{pmatrix}^{(3)} \cdot \begin{pmatrix} 1 & \phi_2^\dagger \\ xk_2 & 0 \\ x\phi_2 & x \end{pmatrix}^{(2)} \cdot \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ x \end{pmatrix}^{(1)} = \begin{pmatrix} A_0(x) \\ A_1(x) \\ A_2(x) \\ A_3(x) \end{pmatrix}.$$

$$\mathbb{A}^{(3)}(x) = \begin{pmatrix} \square & \square \bullet & \square \bullet \\ \bullet \square & \bullet \square & \bullet \square \\ \bullet \square & \bullet \square & \bullet \square \\ \bullet \square & \bullet \square & \bullet \square \end{pmatrix}^{(3)} \cdot \begin{pmatrix} \square & \square \bullet \\ \bullet \square & \bullet \square \\ \bullet \square & \bullet \square \end{pmatrix}^{(2)} \cdot \begin{pmatrix} \square \\ \bullet \square \end{pmatrix}^{(1)} = \begin{pmatrix} A_0(x) \\ A_1(x) \\ A_2(x) \\ A_3(x) \end{pmatrix}.$$

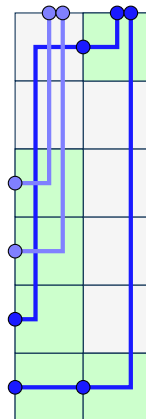




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# Summation formula

A corollary is the following new summation formula.

## Theorem

Let  $\lambda[k]$  be a partition obtained from  $\lambda$  by replacing all parts of size  $\leq k$  with 0.

$$P_\lambda(x_1, \dots, x_n; q, t) = \sum_{\sigma \in \mathcal{S}_\lambda} T_\sigma \circ x_\lambda \circ \prod_{i=1}^{r-1} \left( \sum_{\sigma \in \mathcal{S}_{\lambda[i]}} C_i \left( \begin{matrix} \lambda[i-1] \\ \sigma \circ \lambda[i] \end{matrix} \right) T_\sigma \circ x_{\lambda[i]} \right) 1$$

with coefficients that satisfy  $C_i(\lambda, \mu) = 0$  if any  $0 < \lambda_k < \mu_k$ , and

$$C_i(\lambda, \mu) \equiv C_i \left( \begin{matrix} \lambda_1 \cdots \lambda_n \\ \mu_1 \cdots \mu_n \end{matrix} \right) = \prod_{j=i+1}^r \left( q^{(j-i)a_j(\lambda, \mu)} \prod_{k=1}^{b_j(\lambda, \mu)} \frac{1 - t^k}{1 - q^{j-i} t^{\lambda'_j - \lambda'_j + k}} \right),$$

otherwise.

# Specialisations

- Monomial symmetric polynomials ( $t = 1$ )

$$P_{\lambda}(x_1, \dots, x_n; q, 1) = \sum_{\sigma \in \mathcal{S}_{\lambda}} s_{\sigma} \circ x_{\lambda} \circ \prod_{i=1}^{r-1} x_{\lambda[i]} = \sum_{\sigma \in \mathcal{S}_{\lambda}} \sigma \circ \left( \prod_{i=1}^n x_i^{\lambda_i} \right) = m_{\lambda}(x_1, \dots, x_n),$$

- Hall–Littlewood polynomials ( $q = 0$ )

$$P_{\lambda}(x_1, \dots, x_n; t) = \sum_{\sigma \in \mathcal{S}_{\lambda}} T_{\sigma} \circ x_{\lambda} \circ \prod_{i=1}^{r-1} x_{\lambda[i]} = \sum_{\sigma \in \mathcal{S}_{\lambda}} T_{\sigma} \circ \left( \prod_{i=1}^n x_i^{\lambda_i} \right).$$



# Specialisations

- $q$ -Whittaker polynomials ( $t = 0$ )

$$P_{\lambda}(x_1, \dots, x_n; q, 0) = \sum_{\sigma \in \mathcal{S}_{\lambda}} D_{\sigma} \circ x_{\lambda} \circ \prod_{i=1}^{r-1} \left( \sum_{\sigma \in \mathcal{S}_{\lambda^{[i]}}} C_i \left( \begin{matrix} \lambda^{[i-1]} \\ \sigma \circ \lambda^{[i]} \end{matrix} \right) D_{\sigma} \circ x_{\lambda^{[i]}} \right) 1$$

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$$D_i = (x_i/x_{i+1} - 1)^{-1}(1 - s_i), \quad 1 \leq i \leq n-1.$$



# Conclusion

- Explicit construction of (matrix product) stationary state of a multi-species inhomogeneous exclusion process
- Use Yang-Baxter integrability, representation theory, theory of multi-variable polynomials
- New explicit formulas for Macdonald polynomials using ideas from stochastic processes

