Critical phenomena for dually weighted graphs and spanning forests via matrix models

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[arXiv:2110.10104] with V. Kazakov

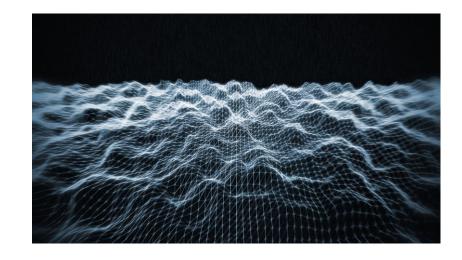
[to appear] with A. Gorsky, V. Kazakov, V. Mishnyakov

Matrix models provide a useful description for 2d quantum gravity

Matrix integral \longrightarrow sum over graphs \longrightarrow sum over 2d surfaces = 2d gravity path integral

large N, continuum limit

Rich subject, but some questions remain unanswered



Some motivation:

- How to control the geometry?

 Could we get AdS or JT gravity? Saad, Shenker, Stanford '19 Witten, Mirzakhani
- Much of existing work focuses on isolated models Can we study flows?

This talk:

 Counting dually weighted graphs and R^2 gravity

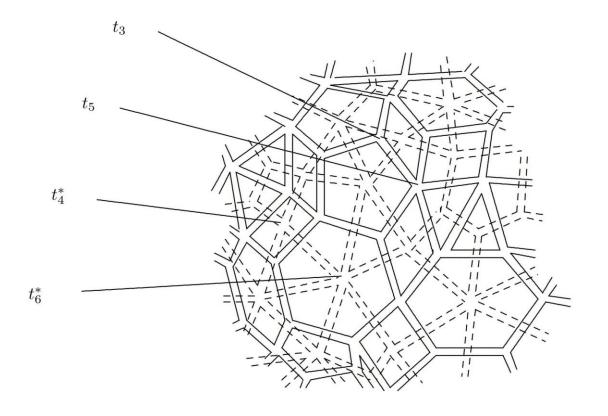
Kazakov, FLM 21

 Counting spanning trees and flow from c=0 to c=-2

Gorsky, Kazakov, FLM, Mishnyakov to appear

PART 1

Dually weighted graphs



continuum limit gives sum over surfaces

Kazakov '85 David '85 Kazakov, Kostov, Migdal '85

Kazakov, Staudacher, Wynter '96

Dually weighted graphs (DWG) partition function

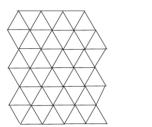
$$Z_N(t,t^*) = \sum_G N^{2-2g_G} \prod_{v_q^*, v_q \in G} t_q^{\#v_q} t_q^{*\#v_q^*}$$

counting of graphs, polyhedra, tilings

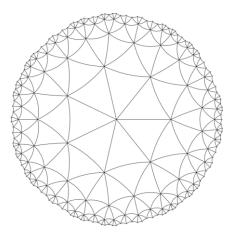
Related works in mathematics [Kazarian, Zograf, Zorich, ...]

2d quantum gravity

Dual weights control local curvature (R^2 coupling)







Lattice model of AdS₂?

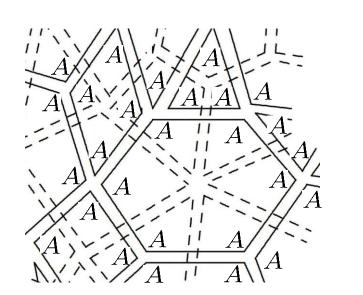
DWG matrix model

We study a refined version of usual 1-matrix model

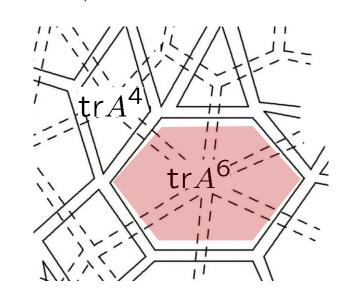
$$Z_N(t,t^*) = \int \mathcal{D}M \exp N \operatorname{tr}\left(-\frac{1}{2}M^2 + \sum_{q=1}^{Q+1} \frac{1}{q}t_q(AM)^q\right)$$

$$ext{n-vertex} o t_n$$
 $ext{n-face} o t_n^*$

Dually weighted graphs (DWG)



$$t_n^* = \frac{1}{N} \operatorname{tr} A^n$$



Dual couplings --> better control the geometry of graphs / surfaces

DWG matrix model

$$Z_N(t, t^*) = \int \mathcal{D}M \exp N \operatorname{tr} \left(-\frac{1}{2}M^2 + \sum_{q=1}^{Q+1} \frac{1}{q} t_q(AM)^q \right)$$

Goal: compute observables like $\langle TrM^n \rangle$ and $\langle Tr(AM)^n \rangle$, explore continuum limit

Solving the matrix model

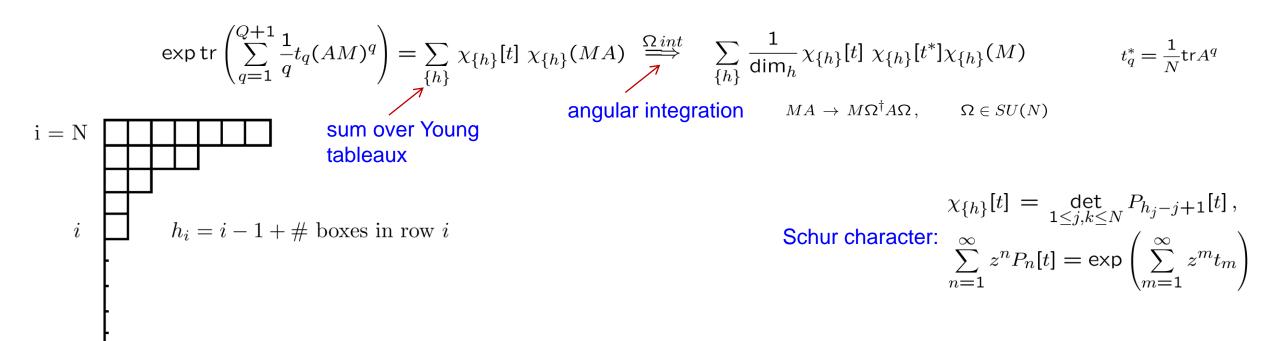
Kazakov, Staudacher, Wynter '95, '96

DWG Matrix Model and sum over Young tableaux

Di Francesco, Itzykson '93 Kazakov, Staudacher, Wynter '95

$$Z_N(t,t^*) = \int (d^{N^2}M) \exp\left(-\frac{1}{2}\text{tr}M^2 + \sum_{q=1}^{Q+1} \frac{1}{q}t_q \operatorname{tr}(AM)^q\right)$$

Cannot reduce to eigenvalues like usual MM, instead use characters



What remains is a Gaussian integral of character

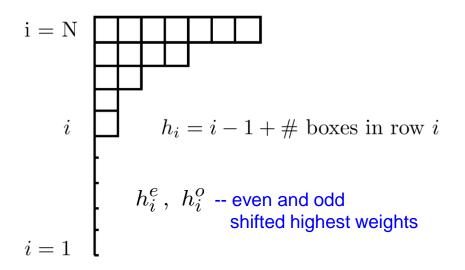
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see also Kostov, Staudacher, Wynter 97

Result for partition function:

$$Z_N(t,t^*) = c(N) \sum_{\{h^e,h^o\}} \frac{\prod_i (h_i^e - 1)!! h_i^o!!}{\prod_{i,j} (h_i^e - h_j^o)} \chi_{\{h\}}[t] \chi_{\{h\}}[t^*]$$



Large Young tableaux dominate at large N

Saddle point gives a single Young tableau

$$h_i \sim N$$

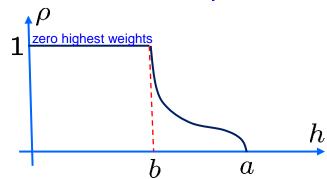
$$\chi_{\{h\}} \sim e^{N^2(...)}$$

Algebraic curve of DWG

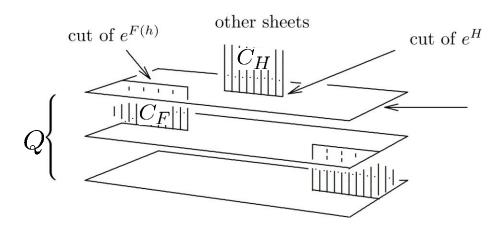
At large N we parameterize the dominating Young tableau by some continuous shape

$$H(h) = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{k=1}^{N} \frac{1}{h - h_k/N}$$
 $H(h) = \int_0^a \frac{\rho(s)ds}{h - s}$

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It can be found from a nontrivial Riemann-Hilbert problem



This gives (in principle) solution of the model

$$he^{-H(h)} = \frac{(-1)^{Q-1}}{t_Q} \prod_{q=1}^{Q} g_q(h)$$

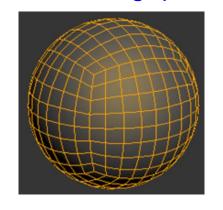
Product over Q sheets of Riemann surface of g(h)

$$h = \sum_{q=1}^{Q+1} t_q g^q + \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \langle \frac{\operatorname{tr}}{N} (MA)^k \rangle g^{-k}$$

Special case: quadrangulations

Disc Quadrangulations

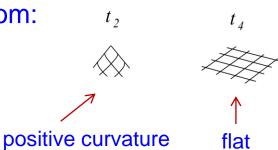
Particular case: counting quadrangulations of sphere and disc



Here we impose:

$$t_q^* = \lambda \, \delta_{q,4}$$

Build surface from:



negative curvature

Special choice of weights makes the model tractable:

$$t_2 = \lambda \beta^2, \qquad t_{2n} = \lambda$$

Kazakov, Staudacher, Wynter '96

Overall curvature must be balanced (sphere topology)

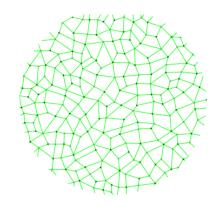
Graph combinatorics
$$Z \propto \sum_G \lambda^F \beta^{2(\#v_2-4)}$$
 gives
$$\lambda \text{ controls area} \quad \beta \text{ controls curvature}$$

Z was computed by [Kazakov, Staudacher, Wynter 96] Corresponds to sphere topology

We will compute two resolvents, i.e. disc partition functions

Type 1
$$\mathcal{W}(g) = \langle \frac{\operatorname{tr}}{N} \frac{1}{g - MA} \rangle$$

Type 2
$$W(g) = \langle \frac{\operatorname{tr}}{N} \frac{1}{g - M} \rangle$$



Disc topology, two types of boundary

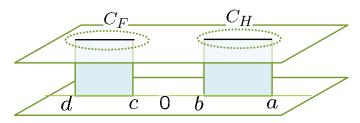
$$W(g) = \sum_{n \geq 0} \frac{1}{g^{n+1}} \frac{1}{N} \langle \operatorname{tr} M^n \rangle$$

$$\operatorname{n = length}$$
 of boundary

Saddle point equation

We have a 2-cut problem

$$h-1 = \frac{\lambda}{\beta^2} \left((\beta^2 - 1)g^2 + \frac{g^2}{1 - \beta^2 g^2} \right) + \mathcal{O}(1/g)$$



Elliptic Riemann surface of $2F + H + \log h$

Saddle point equation: $2F + H + \log h = 0$, $h \in [b, a]$

From algebraic curve: $2F + H + \ln h = \log[\lambda(\beta^2 - 1)], \quad h \in [d, c]$

Solved by elliptic integrals

$$H(h) + 2F(h) = \log \frac{(h-c)^2}{h(h-b)} + r(h) \left[\oint_{C_H} \frac{dh}{2\pi i} \frac{\log \frac{(s-b)}{(s-c)^2}}{(h-s)r(s)} + \oint_{C_F} \frac{dh}{2\pi i} \frac{\log \frac{\lambda(\beta^2-1)(s-b)}{(s-c)^2}}{(h-s)r(s)} \right]$$

$$r(x) = \sqrt{(a-x)(x-b)(x-c)(x-d)}$$

Solution of Riemann-Hilbert problem

We get density in terms of theta-functions

Kazakov, Staudacher, Wynter '96

$$\rho(h) = \frac{u}{K} - \frac{i}{\pi} \ln \left[\frac{\theta_4(\frac{\pi}{2K}(u - iv), q)}{\theta_4(\frac{\pi}{2K}(u + iv), q)} \right]$$

$$u = \operatorname{sn}^{-1} \sqrt{\frac{(a-h)(b-d)}{(h-d)(a-b)}}$$

Then we find H(h) etc

$$H(h) = \int_{b}^{a} \frac{\rho(s)ds}{h-s}$$

 $H(h) = \int_{h}^{a} \frac{\rho(s)ds}{h-s}$ (already not a standard special function)

Parameters are fixed from consistency requirements (e.g. asymptotics)

$$\operatorname{sn}^{2}(v,m') = \sqrt{\frac{a-c}{a-d}} \qquad m = \frac{(a-b)(c-d)}{(a-c)(b-d)}$$
$$v = -K' - \frac{K}{\pi} \log(\lambda(1-\beta^{2}))$$

Asymptotics of Large Area & Boundary

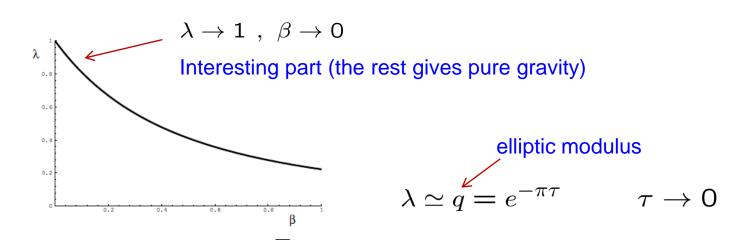
Search for universal regimes when the details of discretization do not matter

Quadrangulations become continuous 2d geometries

Asymptotics of Large Area & Boundary

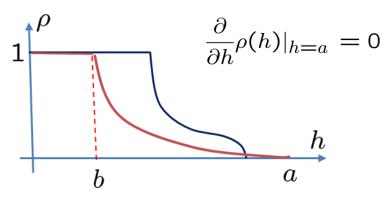
$$Z \propto \sum_{G} \lambda^{F} \beta^{2(\#v_2-4)}$$

Critical regime: density has zero slope at endpoint Gives $\lambda_c(\beta)$



Parametrise via $x = \frac{\sqrt{2}(1-\lambda)}{\pi\beta}$ $V = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(x-\sqrt{x^2-1})$ finite ratio

Kazakov, Staudacher, Wynter '96



Three key regimes:

- All orders in τ (exp precision)
- Flattening: 1st order in τ , V = finite Small curvature, various n-vertices
- Almost flat: 1st order in τ with $V \to 0$ Small curvature, only 2- and 4- vertices

Solution in exp. approximation

$$\mathcal{O}(e^{-\frac{\pi}{\tau}})\,, \quad au o 0$$
 We need to compute $H(h) = \int_b^a rac{
ho(s)ds}{h-s}$

We get integrals of the kind
$$\int_0^\infty dw \left(\frac{\sinh w}{\cosh w + \sinh u} + \dots \right) \log \frac{\cosh(w + iv)}{\cosh(w + iv)} \longrightarrow$$
 Lots of polylogs

in parametric form

Long calculation gives result in parametric form
$$h = b + e^{\tau(4v^2/\pi - \pi)} \frac{\sin^2(2v)}{\sin^2(v) - \sin^2(r)}, \quad g^4 = \frac{1}{h - b} e^{-\frac{i}{\pi}F(r)}$$

$$F = -\frac{i}{\pi}\tau(2v+\pi)\left(-2r^2 - 2\pi r + 2v^2 + \pi^2\right) - \left(2(r-v)(r-3v) - 2\pi r + \frac{5\pi^2}{6}\right)$$

$$+i(2v-2r-\pi)\log\left(1 - e^{2i(r-v)}\right) + i(2(r+v)+\pi)\log\left(1 - e^{2i(r+v)}\right) - \frac{i}{6\pi}2\pi\log\left(1 + e^{2iv}\right)$$

$$+ \operatorname{Li}_2\left(e^{-2i(r-v)}\right) + \operatorname{Li}_2\left(e^{2i(r+v)}\right) + 2\operatorname{Li}_2\left(1 - e^{2iv}\right) + 2\operatorname{Li}_2\left(1 + e^{2iv}\right)$$

[thanks to Omer Gurdogan for help with polylogs]

Parameters from couplings:

$$\tau = -\frac{\log[\lambda(1-\beta^2)]}{2v+\pi} \qquad v = V\beta$$
$$\lambda \simeq (\lambda(1-\beta^2))^{1-\frac{2v}{\pi}} \left[\left(1 - \log[\lambda(1-\beta^2)] \left(\frac{2v}{\pi} + 1\right)\right) \sin(2v) + \pi(\frac{2v}{\pi} + 1) \cos(2v) \right]$$

Solution in exp. approximation

$$h = b + e^{\tau(4v^2/\pi - \pi)} \frac{\sin^2(2v)}{\sin^2(v) - \sin^2(r)}$$

$$g^4 = \frac{1}{h - b} e^{-\frac{i}{\pi}F(r)}$$

$$h = \sum_{q=1}^{Q+1} t_q g^q + \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \langle \frac{\operatorname{tr}}{N} (MA)^k \rangle g^{-k}$$

A rich phase structure to be explored

Describes large 2d surfaces with strong fluctuations of curvature

We can compare $\langle Tr M^2 \rangle$ with exact result [Kazakov, Staudacher, Wynter 96]

$$\begin{split} \langle \mathrm{Tr} M^2 \rangle &= \frac{\xi^2}{4\lambda} \Bigg[\frac{K k'^2 \mathrm{sn}^2}{8\pi \ \mathrm{cn} \ \mathrm{dn}} (1 - k'^2 \mathrm{sn}^4) - \frac{k'^2 \mathrm{sn}^2}{4} - \frac{1}{2\pi} (K \, \Xi - \frac{\pi}{2}) (\mathrm{dn}^2 + k'^2 \mathrm{cn}^2) \\ &+ \frac{3 \, \Upsilon \, \Phi}{8\pi \ \mathrm{sn}^2} - \frac{\Phi^2}{2\pi^2 \mathrm{sn}^2} - \frac{K \, \Upsilon}{4\pi \ \mathrm{sn}} (1 - \mathrm{dn}^2) + \frac{\Phi \, \Xi}{2\pi \ \mathrm{sn}} + \frac{\Omega \, \Phi}{\pi \ \mathrm{sn}} - \frac{\Omega^2}{2} \Bigg] \end{split}$$

Expand our solution to 5th order in tau, find pefect match!

$$\langle \text{Tr} M^2 \rangle = 1 - \frac{8\beta^5 V^3 (6V^2 - 5)}{15\pi} + \dots$$

Flattening regime

$$\beta \sim v \sim (1 - \lambda) \sim \tau \rightarrow 0$$

Curvature is suppressed, Young tableau almost empty

Resolvent = disc partition function:
$$W(g) = \frac{1}{g} + \frac{1}{g^3} \langle \frac{\mathsf{tr}}{N} (AM)^2 \rangle + \frac{1}{g^5} \langle \frac{\mathsf{tr}}{N} (AM)^4 \rangle + \frac{1}{g^7} \langle \frac{\mathsf{tr}}{N} (AM)^6 \rangle + \dots$$

We get

Kazakov, FLM
$$\frac{\mathcal{W}}{\beta^3} = \frac{\left(\frac{4V^3}{\pi} + \frac{2V}{\pi}\right) \arcsin(y)^2}{y^2} + \left(\frac{4V^3 + 2V}{y^2} + \frac{16V^3\sqrt{1 - y^2}}{\pi y^3}\right) \arcsin(y) \\ + \frac{8V^3\left(\sqrt{1 - y^2} - 1\right)}{y^3} + \frac{4V^3}{3\pi} - \frac{16V^3}{\pi y^2} - \frac{2V}{y} - \frac{2V}{\pi} \qquad \text{where } y = \frac{2\beta V}{g^2}$$

Interpolates between pure 2d QG and almost flat case

Pure gravity limit

Kazakov, FLM

$$\lambda_c \simeq 1 - rac{\pi eta}{\sqrt{2}}$$

Small bulk and boundary cosmological constants

$$\Lambda = 2\sqrt{2} \frac{\lambda_c - \lambda}{\pi \beta} \to 0$$
, $\eta = 1 - \frac{\sqrt{2}\beta}{g^2} \to 0$ with $z = \frac{\sqrt{\Lambda}}{\eta} = \text{fixed}$

We get

$$\frac{\mathcal{W}}{\beta^3} = \frac{-28 - 18\pi + 9\pi^2}{3\sqrt{2}\pi} + \frac{\sqrt{2}\left(-12 - 7\pi + 3\pi^2\right)\eta}{\pi} - \frac{8}{3}\frac{\eta^{3/2}(z-2)\sqrt{z+1}}{\eta} + O\left(\eta^2\right)$$
non-universal terms

Matches known prediction! Kazakov '88

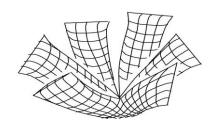
Almost flat limit

Only 2- and 4-vertices

$$\frac{\mathcal{W}}{\beta^3} = \frac{2V}{\pi y^2} \left[(\arcsin y)^2 - y^2 + \pi (\arcsin y - y) \right]$$
Kazakov, Staudacher, Wynter '96

$$\beta \rightarrow 0$$
 , $V \rightarrow 0$

$$y = \frac{t_2}{2\pi\tau\,g}$$
 Describes trees



$$\xi = \frac{T(P - \sqrt{P^2 - 4})}{4}$$

$$T = \frac{t_2}{\tau} \to \text{fixed}$$

Near criticality we find again a tree-like behavior:

$$W(g) - \frac{g - \sqrt{g^2 - 4}}{2} \simeq t \frac{\pi^2 - 4}{4\pi} + t\sqrt{2}\sqrt{1 - \xi} + \dots$$

$$T \sim g \to \infty$$

$$\xi = \frac{T}{2g} = \frac{t}{2g\tau} \rightarrow \text{fixed}$$

Interpretation: $\beta \neq 0$ controls local curvature fluctuations

Produces R² term in QG action

$$S_{\rm QG} = \int_{\mathcal{M}} \sqrt{g} \, \left(\tilde{\Lambda} + \frac{\log N}{2\pi} R + \frac{1}{\tilde{\beta}} R^2 \right) \quad + \text{boundary terms}$$

- Curvature strongly fluctuates at distance $\tilde{\Lambda}^{1/2} \gg \tilde{\beta} \longrightarrow QG$ regime
- Curvature is suppressed at distance $\tilde{\Lambda}^{1/2} \ll \tilde{\beta}$ —— "almost flat" regime

Our solution interpolates between the two regimes

We see no phase transition, in agreement with expectations from [Kazakov, Staudacher, Wynter '96]

Part 1 – summary & prospects

We count the number of dually weighted graphs, topology of sphere, disc (& more?) Compute 2 disc partition functions, observe universality in 2d QG regime

Future:

- Explore our exponential solution and its phase structure
- General spectral curve of DWG, integrability/tau function
- Jackiw-Teitelboim gravity? May need more involved observables / develop character methods

PART 2

Critical phenomena in the forest

[Gorsky, Kazakov, FLM, Mishnyakov to appear]

Forests on random graphs

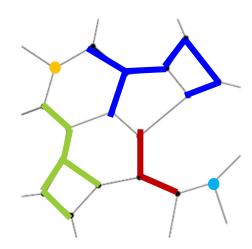
Key properties of a graph are encoded in its Laplacian matrix $\Delta = D - A$

Matrix tree theorem: $det'\Delta = \#$ of spanning trees



Generalization: matrix forest theorem [Chelnokov, Kelmans] [David, Duplantier]

$$\det(\Delta + M^2) = \sum_{F = (F_1 \dots F_l) \in G} M^{2l} \prod_{i=1}^{l} |F_i|$$



We study the partition function:

$$Z = \sum_{\text{graphs } G} \lambda^{|G|} \det(\Delta + M^2) = \sum_{F = (F_1 \dots F_l) \in G} \lambda^{|G|} M^{2l} \prod_{i=1}^{l} |F_i|$$

Sum over random graphs with triple vertices

We count weighted rooted spanning forests

Related work:
[Caracciolo, Jacobsen, Saleur, Sokal 04]
[Caracciolo, Sportiello 09]
[Bondesan, Caracciolo, Sportiello 16]

$$Z = \sum_{\text{graphs } G} \lambda^{|G|} \det(\Delta + M^2)$$

Many reformulations!

- Counting rooted forests
- Massive spinless fermions interacting with 2d gravity
- Hermitian 1-matrix model with nontrivial potential
- O(n) / loop model

[Kostov, Staudacher]

Parisi-Sourlas reformulation via fermions

$$Z = \sum_{G} N^{2-2g} \lambda^{|G|} \int \prod_{i \in G} d^2 \theta_i \prod_{\langle ij \rangle \in G} e^{-(\bar{\theta}_i - \bar{\theta}_j)(\theta_i - \theta_j)} \prod_{i \in G} e^{-\frac{q}{2}M^2 \bar{\theta}_i \theta_i}$$

Massive spinless fermions on random graphs

To get sum over graphs we introduce NxN supermatrix $\Phi(\theta) = \phi + \bar{\theta}\psi + \theta\bar{\psi} + \bar{\theta}\,\theta\epsilon$

$$Z = \int d^{N^2} \phi \, d^{2N^2} \psi \, d^{2N^2} \epsilon \, e^{NS(\Phi)} \qquad S(\Phi) = \operatorname{tr} \int d^2 \theta \, \left(-\frac{1}{2} \Phi^2(\theta) - \frac{1}{2} \partial_\theta \Phi(\theta) \partial_{\bar{\theta}} \Phi(\theta) + \frac{\lambda}{3} e^{-\frac{3}{2} M^2 \bar{\theta} \theta} \left[\Phi(\theta) \right]^3 \right)$$

Feynman graphs give our partition function!

Notice that for unrooted trees one finds massive fermions + 4-fermion interaction Instead we have rooted trees and no interaction

[Bondesan, Caracciolo, Sportiello 16]

The matrix model

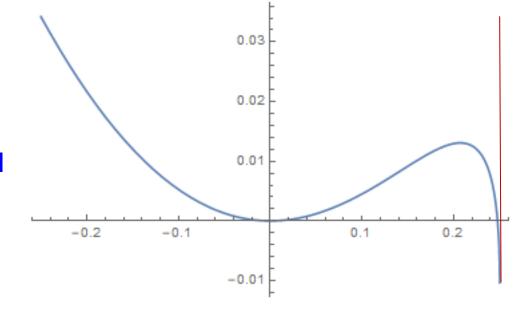
Next we integrate out the fermions and get an Hermitian 1-matrix model

$$Z = \int d^{N^2} X e^{NS_X}$$

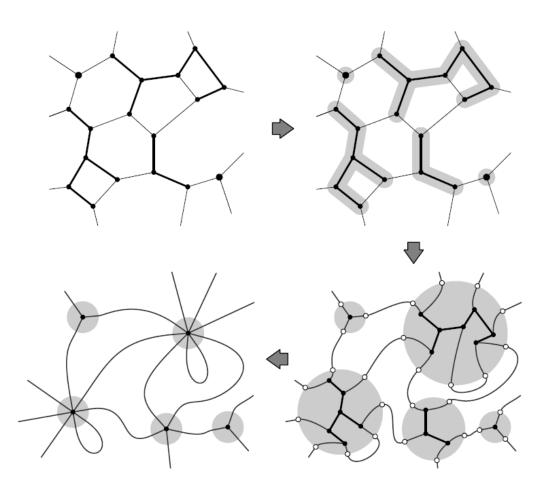
$$S_X = \operatorname{tr} \left[-\frac{1}{2} X^2 + \frac{\lambda M^2}{2} \left(\frac{1 - \sqrt{1 - 4\lambda X}}{2\lambda} \right)^3 \right]$$

generating function for trees i.e. Catalan numbers

Potential: two extrema + wall



Matrix model – combinatoric derivation



picture from

[Bondesan, Cracciolo, Sportiello 16] see also [Bouttier, Di Francesco, Guitter]

Another way to derive the same matrix model

Extension of [Bondesan, Caracciolo, Sportiello 16] who found the potential for unrooted trees:

$$\tilde{V}(z) = \frac{1}{12z^2} \left(-6z^2 + (1 - 4z)^{3/2} + 6z - 1 \right)$$
$$= \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \tilde{c}_n z^{n+2}, \quad \text{where } \tilde{c}_n = \frac{(2n)!}{n!(n+2)!}.$$

For our rooted trees we find:

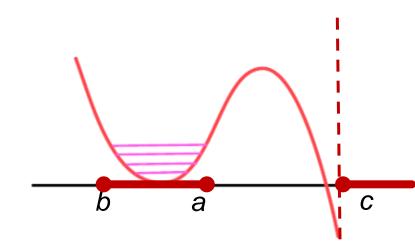
$$V = \frac{\lambda}{3} \left(\frac{1 - \sqrt{1 - 4\lambda X}}{2\lambda} \right)^3 = \lambda \partial_{\lambda} \left(X^2 \tilde{V}(\lambda X) \right)$$

i.e. the same potential as from fermion realization!

Solution of the model

$$G(x) = \int_{b}^{a} \frac{\rho(y)dy}{x - y}$$

Solved in elliptic functions



$$G(x) = \frac{9}{4\pi} \sqrt{c} M^2 \sqrt{x - a} \sqrt{x - b} \left(\frac{2(x - 2c)\Pi\left(\frac{a - b}{x - b} \middle| m\right)}{\sqrt{c - b}(x - b)} - \frac{2K(m)}{\sqrt{c - b}} \right)$$
$$+ \frac{1}{2} \left(-\sqrt{x - a} \sqrt{x - b} + 9cM^2 + x \right)$$

$$+\frac{1}{2}\left(-\sqrt{x-a}\sqrt{x-b}+9cM^2+x\right)$$

$$c = \frac{1}{4\lambda} \qquad B^2 = c - b \ , \ m = \frac{a - b}{c - b}$$

Consistency with asymptotics fixes endpoints

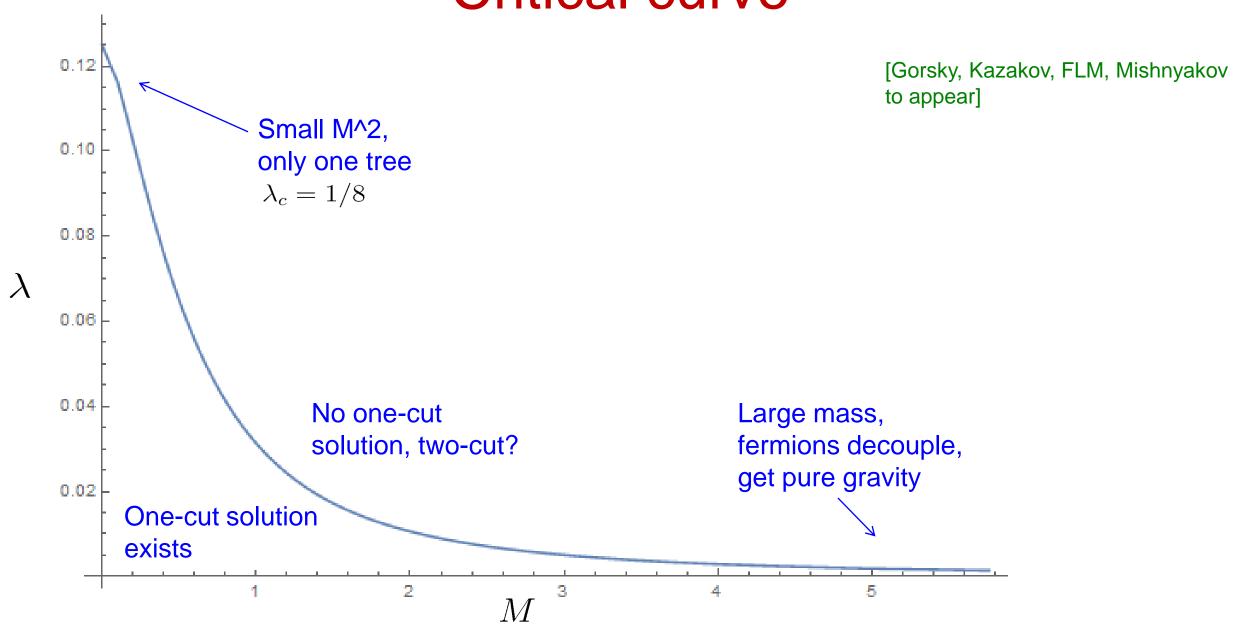
$$\pi B^{3}(m-2) - 18B^{2}\sqrt{c}M^{2}E + 2\pi Bc\left(9M^{2} + 1\right) - 18c^{3/2}M^{2}K = 0$$

$$3\pi B^4 m^2 - 36B^3 \sqrt{c} M^2((m-2)E - 2(m-1)K) + 108Bc^{3/2} M^2((m-2)K + 2E) - 48\pi = 0$$

Merging of solutions ----- critical curve

$$9\sqrt{c}M^{2}E(m)\left(c-B^{2}(m-1)\right)+(m-1)\left(\pi B^{3}m+9\sqrt{c}M^{2}\left(B^{2}+c\right)K(m)\right)=0$$

Critical curve



Limiting regimes

$$M \to \infty$$
: Heavy fermions decouple

$$\lambda_{eff} = M^2 \lambda$$

We reproduce pure gravity (c=0) prediction
$$(\lambda_{eff})_{crit}^2=\frac{1}{12\sqrt{3}}$$
 [Brezin, Itzyckson, Parisi, Zuber 78] [Kazakov, Migdal, Kostov 85]

$$M \to 0$$
: Only 1 tree in the forest

Resolvent becomes Gaussian $G(x) \sim \sqrt{x^2 - 4}$

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$$\det'(\Delta) \sim \left. \frac{d}{dM^2} \det(\Delta + M^2) \right|_{M=0} \sim \left. \frac{d}{dM^2} Z \right|_{M=0} = \langle \phi^3(x) \rangle \sim \int \sqrt{x^2 - 4} (1 - \sqrt{1 - 4\lambda x})^3$$

When branch points collide we reproduce the (c=-2) behavior $\lambda_{crit}=1/8$

[David; Kazakov, Kostov, Migdal]

Our model interpolates between these

Can we get more details on the flow from c=0 to c=-2?

Near-critical behavior

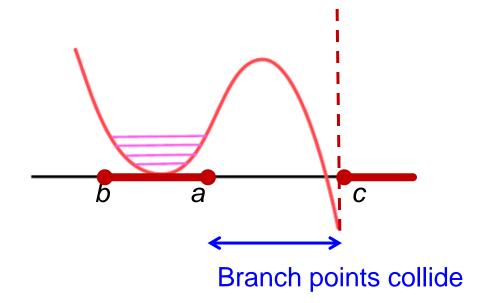
We look for nontrivial double scaling limits

Expand near one corner of the critical line

$$M \to 0 , \lambda \to 1/8$$

Then $m \to 1$ and elliptic functions blow up

$$t = \frac{2\sqrt{2}\pi}{9} \frac{1 - m}{M^2} = \text{fixed}$$



Good probe of criticality: natural observables like

$$\phi = 1 - \sqrt{1 - 4\lambda X}$$

$$\rho(x) = \sqrt{(a - x)(x - b)} \left(\frac{9\sqrt{c}M^2K}{2\pi^2\sqrt{c - b}} + \frac{1}{2\pi} \right)$$

$$\langle \operatorname{tr} \phi \rangle = \int_b^a dx \rho(x) \phi(x)$$

$$-\frac{9\sqrt{c}M^2(x - 2c)}{2\pi^2\sqrt{c - b}} \sqrt{\frac{a - x}{x - b}} \left(K - \Pi\left(\frac{x - b}{c - b}, m\right) \right)$$

Can compute exacty

$$\langle \phi \rangle = \frac{c^3 y}{2\pi^2} \left[\left(M^2 \left(6K^2 (m-1)y + 6\pi K (m-1)y^2 + 3E \left(\pi \left(6 - (m-2)y^2 \right) - 4Ky \left(my^2 + m - y^2 - 2 \right) \right) \right. \\ \left. + 9\pi K (m-2) + 6E^2 y \left((m-2)y^2 - 3 \right) \right) \right. \\ \left. + \frac{1}{60} \pi y^3 \left(16K (m-2)(m-1)y - 32E \left(m^2 - m + 1 \right) y + 15\pi m^2 \right) \right) \right]$$

 $y = c/\sqrt{B}$

Critical behavior: 1pt function

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We find new universal scaling function:

$$\langle \operatorname{tr} \phi \rangle_{sing} \simeq 2(t - \log(M^2 t))(t^2 - 2t) + 3t^2 - 2t^3$$

where
$$t - \log(M^2 t) = C \frac{\lambda - 1/8}{M^2}$$

Lambert function

$$t \to \infty$$

$$\langle \operatorname{tr} \phi \rangle_{sing} \simeq (\lambda - 1/8)^2 \log(\lambda - 1/8)$$
 matches

[David] [Kazakov, Kostov, Migdal]

$$t \to t_c = \frac{9}{32\sqrt{2}\pi}$$

$$\langle \operatorname{tr} \phi \rangle_{sing} \simeq (\lambda - \lambda_c)^{3/2}$$

(nontrivial cancellation kills ½ power)

matches

[Kazakov, Kostov, David, ...]

Perfect interpolation

Critical behavior: resolvent

$$H(r) = \int_{b}^{a} \frac{\rho(y)dy}{r - \phi(y)}$$

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ho(y)dy}{r - \phi(y)}$ The integral seems hard but we can compute the singular part

$$H_{sing} = \frac{72R\sqrt{R^2 - t}(\log\left(R - \sqrt{R^2 - t}\right) - \log\sqrt{t}) + 9\log^2\left(\frac{R - \sqrt{R^2 - t}}{\sqrt{R^2 - t} + R}\right)}{4\pi^2} \qquad r = c + M\frac{3 \ 2^{3/4}}{\sqrt{\pi}}R$$

- c=-2 (one tree) limit: $H_{sing} \simeq (\lambda 1/8)\zeta\sqrt{\zeta^2 1\log(\sqrt{\zeta^2 1} + \zeta)}$ matches [Kostov] $t \to \infty$, $\zeta = \frac{R}{\sqrt{t}} = \text{fixed}$
- c=0 (pure gravity) limit $\frac{1}{M}H_{sing}^{(c=0)} \simeq c_1 + c_2 \frac{\delta(X+1)}{Y} + c_3 \frac{\delta^{3/2}}{Y^{3/2}}(X-2)\sqrt{X+1} + \dots$

$$t = 1 + \delta$$
, $R \to 1$, $X = C \frac{R}{\sqrt{\lambda - \lambda_c}}$

matches [Kazakov] [David]

Thus we observe a smooth flow between very different regimes: c=-2 and c=0

Universal results written in terms of Lambert function, origin - ?

(Hurwitz numbers?)

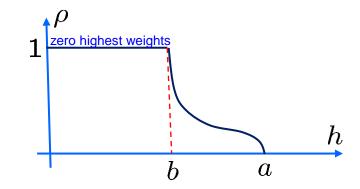
Future

- Nonperturbative effects, i.e. instantons
- Multicut solutions
- Resolvent for X vs phi Dirichlet/Neumann b.c.?
- Generalization to Dirac (spinful) fermions
- Derive/generalize via Liouville
- Other flows? c=1, c=-1?
- Interpolation between models on fixed and random lattices?

Characters at large N

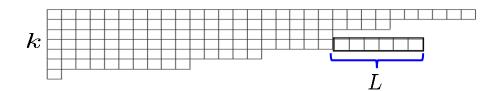
Vershik '77 Douglas, Kazakov '93 Kazakov, Wynter '94 Kazakov, Staudacher, Wynter '95, '96

$$H(h) = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{k=1}^{N} \frac{1}{h - h_k/N}$$
 $H(h) = \int_0^a \frac{\rho(s)ds}{h - s}$



We use the identity for Schur polynomials

$$t_L = \sum_{k=1}^N \frac{\chi_{\{h+L\delta_k\}}[t]}{\chi_{\{h\}}[t]} \quad = \sum_{k=1}^N \frac{\dim(h+L\delta_k)}{\dim(h)} e^{\log\frac{\chi_{\{h+L\delta_k\}}}{\dim(h+L\delta_k)} - \log\frac{\chi_{\{h\}}}{\dim(h)}} = \sum_{k=1}^N \prod_{j(\neq k)} \left(1 + \frac{L}{h_j - h_k}\right) e^{LF(h_k)}$$



where
$$F(h_k) = \partial_{h_k} \log \frac{\chi_{\{h\}}}{\dim(h)}$$

So we get
$$t_L = \oint_{C_H} \frac{dh}{2\pi i} [g(h)]^{-L} = \oint \frac{dg}{2\pi i} g^{-L-1} h(g)$$

$$g(h) = e^{-H(h)-F(h)}$$

Similarly
$$\langle \operatorname{tr}(MA)^L \rangle = \oint_{C_H} \frac{dg}{2\pi i} g^{L-1} h(g)$$

Some motivation

- Matrix models offer another way to understand nonperturbative physics, complementary to AdS/CFT integrability
- Potential links to JT gravity in AdS and its dual matrix model/topological recursion

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New integrability structures to be uncovered

'Flattening' regime - type 2 resolvent

$$W(g) = \frac{1}{g} + \frac{1}{g^3} \langle \frac{\operatorname{tr}}{N} M^2 \rangle + \frac{1}{g^5} \langle \frac{\operatorname{tr}}{N} M^4 \rangle + \frac{1}{g^7} \langle \frac{\operatorname{tr}}{N} M^6 \rangle + \dots$$

$$\beta \sim v \sim (1 - \lambda) \sim \tau \rightarrow 0$$

We get from inversion formula

$$\frac{W(g) - \frac{L}{2D}}{\beta} = \frac{16D^3}{L^2(4D^2 - L^2)} \left[L^2 \frac{\sin^{-1}(\xi)^2 - \xi^2}{4\pi\xi} + \frac{\xi^3 + 12\sqrt{1 - \xi^2}\sin^{-1}(\xi) - 12\xi + 3\xi\sin^{-1}(\xi)^2}{6\pi} \right]$$

Kazakov, FLM

$$\xi = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \left(x - \sqrt{x^2 - 1} \right) L \,, \qquad L = D \left(g - \sqrt{g^2 - 4} \right)$$
 sums up boundary "trees"

Highly similar to previous resolvent though not exactly equal

Related by a simple but formal replacement (meaning to be understood)

Asymptotics of large area & boundary

$$Z \propto \sum_{G} \lambda^{F} \beta^{2(\#v_2-4)}$$

Simplest case: only 4 2-vertices -- Dedekind function

$$\sim \sum$$
 = $\frac{1}{8} \frac{\partial^2}{\partial q^2} \log \left[\prod_{n=1}^{\infty} (1 - q^{2n}) \right]$

Large area: elliptic modulus = 1 $\lambda = q \rightarrow 1$

What happens when we add other vertices?

Recent motivation – Jackiw-Teitelboim (JT) gravity

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Gravity theory in AdS₂, fascinating dualities with matrix models as well as AdS₂/CFT₁

Speculative hope – study it using DWG