

The large-N limits of conditional expectation

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Introduction

N : size of the matrices

$X_N = X_N^*$: **Gaussian matrix** from the GUE

$Y_N = Y_N^*$: **independent matrix** with converging eigenvalue measure
to a compactly supported measure

Consequence of Voiculescu's asymptotic freeness

There exists a noncommutative probability space (\mathcal{A}, τ) containing **freely independent** variables $X = X^*$, $Y = Y^*$ such that,

$\forall P \in \mathbb{C}[x]$,

$$P(X_N + Y_N) \xrightarrow[N \rightarrow \infty]{\text{distr}} P(X + Y),$$

$$\mathbb{E}[P(X_N + Y_N) | Y_N] \xrightarrow[N \rightarrow \infty]{\text{distr}} \tau[P(X + Y) | Y].$$

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Indeed,

$$\mathbb{E} [P(X_N + Y_N) | Y_N]^k = \mathbb{E} \left[P(X_N^{(1)} + Y_N) \cdots P(X_N^{(k)} + Y_N) \middle| Y_N \right]$$
$$\tau [P(X + Y) | Y]^k = \tau \left[P(X^{(1)} + Y) \cdots P(X^{(k)} + Y) \middle| Y \right].$$

if $X_N^{(1)}, \dots, X_N^{(k)}$ are independent copies of X_N ,
and $X^{(1)}, \dots, X^{(k)}$ are freely independent copies of X .

Moreover $(X_N^{(1)}, \dots, X_N^{(k)}, Y_N)$ converges to $(X^{(1)}, \dots, X^{(k)}, Y)$.

Heat kernel point of view

The conditional expectation $\mathbb{E}[P(X_N + Y_N)|Y_N]$ is given by the heat-kernel semigroup $(e^{\frac{t}{2}\Delta_N})_{t \geq 0}$ at time 1:

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \mathbb{E}[P(X_N + Y_N)|Y_N] & = & [e^{\frac{1}{2}\Delta_N}P](Y_N) \\ \downarrow \begin{array}{c} N \rightarrow \infty \\ \text{distr} \end{array} & & \\ \tau[P(X + Y)|Y] & = & ?? \end{array}$$

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\mathbb{H}_N : space of Hermitian matrices

Let $P \in \mathbb{C}[x]$ and consider it as a map $P : \mathbb{H}_N \rightarrow \mathbb{M}_N$.

Example: If $P(Y_N) = Y_N^3$,

$$e^{\frac{1}{2}\Delta_N} P(Y_N) = Y_N^3 + Y_N + \frac{1}{2N} \text{Tr}(Y_N).$$

However, $e^{\frac{1}{2}\Delta_N} P : \mathbb{H}_N \rightarrow \mathbb{M}_N$ **is not a polynomial** nor a function given by functional calculus.

Question: Is it possible to make sense of $\lim_N e^{\frac{1}{2}\Delta_N}$?

Yes, if we enlarge the space of functional calculus.

- Consider the normalized trace $\text{tr} = \frac{1}{N} \text{Tr}$.
- Consider **trace polynomials**,
i.e. polynomials in Y_N and normalized traces of power of Y_N .

Example: $P(Y_N) = Y_N^3 + Y_N \text{tr}(Y_N) + \text{tr}(Y_N^2) \text{tr}(Y_N^3)$.

- Δ_N and $e^{\frac{1}{2}\Delta_N}$ leaves invariant the set $\mathbb{C}\{x\}$ of **trace polynomials**.

Answer: When restricted to $\mathbb{C}\{x\}$, $\Delta_N = \Delta_\infty + O\left(\frac{1}{N^2}\right)$, with an operator $\Delta_\infty : \mathbb{C}\{x\} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}\{x\}$ **independent from N** .

$$\lim_N e^{\frac{1}{2}\Delta_N} = \lim_N e^{\frac{1}{2}\Delta_\infty + O(1/N^2)} = e^{\frac{1}{2}\Delta_\infty}$$

The $\mathbb{C}\{x\}$ -calculus is valid in any non-commutative probability space (\mathcal{A}, τ) .

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \mathbb{E}[P(X_N + Y_N) | Y_N] & = & [e^{\frac{1}{2}\Delta_N} P](Y_N) \\ \downarrow \begin{array}{c} N \rightarrow \infty \\ \text{distr} \end{array} & & \downarrow \text{distr} \\ \tau[P(X + Y) | Y] & = & [e^{\frac{1}{2}\Delta_\infty} P](Y) \end{array}$$

Wigner law revisited:

$$\mathbb{E}\left[\frac{1}{N} \text{Tr}(P(X_N))\right] = [e^{\frac{1}{2}\Delta_N}(\text{tr } P)](0) \xrightarrow{N \rightarrow \infty} [e^{\frac{1}{2}\Delta_\infty}(\text{tr } P)](0) = \tau[P(X)].$$

Brownian motions on Lie groups

A **Brownian motion** $(U_t)_{t \geq 0}$ on the unitary group \mathbb{U}_N is a Markov process starting at I_N **whose generator is the Laplacian** $\frac{1}{2}\Delta_{\mathbb{U}_N}$ for a certain metric.

Because $\Delta_{\mathbb{U}_N} = \Delta_{\mathbb{U}} + O\left(\frac{1}{N^2}\right)$ on $\mathbb{C}\{x\}$, we have

$$\mathbb{E}\left[\frac{1}{N} \operatorname{Tr}(P(U_t))\right] = e^{\frac{t}{2}\Delta_{\mathbb{U}_N}(\operatorname{tr}(P))}(1) \xrightarrow{N \rightarrow \infty} e^{\frac{t}{2}\Delta_{\mathbb{U}}(\operatorname{tr}(P))}(1).$$

Theorem (Biane, Rains, Xu 1997)

For all $t \geq 0$, and all polynomial P ,

$$\frac{1}{N} \operatorname{Tr}(P(U_t)) \text{ converges almost surely as } N \rightarrow \infty.$$

The same proof gives similar results for Brownian motions on other Lie groups.

- **Lévy (2011)**: for the orthogonal group \mathbb{O}_N , and for the symplectic group $\mathbb{S}p(N)$

$$\Delta_{\mathbb{O}_N} = \Delta_{\mathbb{U}} + O(1/N).$$

- **C. (2013), Kemp (2013)**: for the general linear group GL_N

$$\Delta_{GL_N} = \Delta_{GL} + O(1/N^2).$$

- **Ulrich (2015)**: for the M^2 blocks of size $N \times N$ of a Brownian motion on \mathbb{U}_{NM} (when $N \rightarrow \infty$)

$$\Delta_{\mathbb{U}_{NM}} = \Delta_{\mathbb{U},M} + O(1/N^2).$$

$\mathbb{C}\{x\}$ must be replaced by the space $\mathbb{C}\{x_{ij} : 1 \leq i, j \leq M\}$ of trace polynomials in M^2 variables.

It is also possible to consider more general situations.

- **C. (2016)**: for a Lévy process on \mathbb{U}_N with generator

$$\mathcal{L}_{\mathbb{U}_N} = \mathcal{L}_{\mathbb{U}} + O(1/N).$$

- **Gabriel (2015)**: for a random walk $(S_N(t))_{t \geq 0}$ on the permutation group \mathfrak{S}_N with generator

$$\mathcal{L}_{\mathfrak{S}_N} = \mathcal{L} + O(1/N)$$

The set of **trace polynomials** has to be replaced by the set of **traffic operations** (in the sense of Camille Male).

$$e^{\frac{1}{2}\Delta}P(z) = \int_{\mathbb{R}} P(x)e^{-\frac{(x-z)^2}{2}} \frac{dx}{\sqrt{2\pi}} = \int_{\mathbb{R}} P(x)\overline{\psi_z(x)}e^{-\frac{x^2}{2}} \frac{dx}{\sqrt{2\pi}} = \langle P|\psi_z\rangle_{L^2(\mathbb{R},\gamma)}$$

where $\psi_z(x) := e^{-\frac{z^2}{2} + \bar{z}x}$ and γ is the standard Gaussian law.

Theorem (Bargmann 1958, Segal 1958)

We have the resolution of the identity

$$Id_{L^2(\mathbb{R},\gamma)} = \int_{\mathbb{C}} |\psi_z\rangle\langle\psi_z| d\gamma^{\mathbb{C}}(z),$$

(where $d\gamma^{\mathbb{C}}$ is the complex Gaussian law), in the sense that

$$\langle P|P\rangle_{L^2(\mathbb{R},\gamma)} = \int_{\mathbb{C}} \langle P|\psi_z\rangle_{L^2(\mathbb{R},\gamma)}\langle\psi_z|P\rangle_{L^2(\mathbb{R},\gamma)} d\gamma^{\mathbb{C}}(z).$$

The **Segal-Bargmann transform** maps P to $z \mapsto \langle P|\psi_z^q\rangle_{L^2(\mathbb{R},\gamma)}$.

q -Gaussian law (Bozejko and Speicher, 1991)

Interpolation

$q = 0$ free case	$0 \leq q \leq 1$	classical case $q = 1$
$d\gamma_0$ semicircular law	$d\gamma_q$	Gaussian law $d\gamma$
$d\gamma_0^{\mathbb{C}}$ length measure on \mathbb{U}_1	$d\gamma_q^{\mathbb{C}}$	complex Gaussian law $d\gamma^{\mathbb{C}}$
ψ_z^0	ψ_z^q	ψ_z

For $0 \leq q < 1$,

$$d\gamma_q(x) = 1_{|x| \leq 2/\sqrt{1-q}} \frac{1}{\pi} \sqrt{1-q} \sin \theta \prod_{n=1}^{\infty} (1-q^n) |1 - q^n e^{2i\theta}|^2 dx$$

where $\theta \in [0, \pi]$ is such that $x = 2 \cos(\theta) / \sqrt{1-q}$ and $d\gamma_q^{\mathbb{C}}$ is a measure on \mathbb{C} concentrated on a family of concentric circles.

q -deformation of the Segal-Bargmann transform

Theorem (van Leeuwen, Maassen 1995)

We have the resolution of the identity

$$Id_{L^2(\mathbb{R}, \gamma_q)} = \int_{\mathbb{C}} |\psi_z^q\rangle \langle \psi_z^q| d\gamma_q^{\mathbb{C}}(z).$$

The q -deformed **Segal-Bargmann transform**, which maps P to $z \mapsto \langle P | \psi_z^q \rangle_{L^2(d\gamma_q)}$ can also be written as the application of a q -deformed heat kernel on P .

Theorem (C.-Ho 2017)

Let $0 \leq q \leq 1$. For any polynomial P , we have

$$\langle P | \psi_Z^q \rangle_{L^2(d\gamma_q)} = \tau[P(X + Z) | Z],$$

where $X \sim d\gamma_q$ and $Z \sim d\gamma_q^{\mathbb{C}}$ are " q -independent".

Random matrices and q -deformation

Random matrix model for the measure $d\gamma_q$ (Śniady 2001):

- law γ_N on \mathbb{H}_N such that $\gamma_N \sim X_N \xrightarrow[N \rightarrow \infty]{distr} \gamma_q$.
- law $\gamma_N^{\mathbb{C}}$ on \mathbb{M}_N such that $\gamma_N^{\mathbb{C}} \sim Z_N \xrightarrow[N \rightarrow \infty]{distr} \gamma_q^{\mathbb{C}}$.

The model of Śniady is also a model of q -independence, and therefore

$$\mathbb{E}[P(X_N + Z_N)|Z_N] \xrightarrow[N \rightarrow \infty]{distr} \tau[P(X + Z)|Z].$$

Theorem ($q=0$ by Biane in 1997, $0 < q < 1$ by C.-Ho in 2017)

The **classical Segal-Bargmann transform** $M \mapsto \langle P|\psi_M \rangle_{L^2(\mathbb{H}_N, \gamma_N)}$ converges to the **q -deformed Segal-Bargmann transform** $z \mapsto \langle P|\psi_z \rangle_{L^2(\mathbb{R}, \gamma_q)}$ in the following sense:

$$\mathbb{E} \left[\left\| \langle P|\psi_{Z_N} \rangle_{L^2(\mathbb{H}_N, \gamma_N)} - \langle P|\psi_{Z_N} \rangle_{L^2(\mathbb{R}, \gamma_q)} \right\|_2^2 \right] \xrightarrow{N \rightarrow \infty} 0$$

whenever Z_N is a random matrix of law $\gamma_N^{\mathbb{C}}$.

Sketch of proof: We have $\langle P|\psi_{Z_N} \rangle_{L^2(\mathbb{H}_N, \gamma_N)} = \mathbb{E}[P(X_N + Z_N)|Z_N]$, and

$$\mathbb{E} \left[\left\| \mathbb{E}[P(X_N + Z_N)|Z_N] - \langle P|\psi_{Z_N} \rangle_{L^2(\mathbb{R}, \gamma_q)} \right\|_2^2 \right]$$

converges to

$$\left\| \tau[P(X + Z)|Z] - \langle P|\psi_Z \rangle_{L^2(\mathbb{R}, \gamma_q)} \right\|_2^2 = 0.$$

Another notion of conditional expectation

\mathbb{M}_N set of $N \times N$ matrices

$(\mathbb{M}_N, \tau_N = \frac{1}{N} \text{Tr})$ is a noncommutative probability space

We denote by D the **conditional expectation** given the set of diagonal matrices \mathbb{D}_N :

$$D[\cdot] = \tau_N[\cdot | \mathbb{D}_N]$$

$(\mathbb{M}_N, D, \mathbb{D}_N)$ is called an **operator-valued probability space**, and $D : \mathbb{M}_N \rightarrow \mathbb{D}_N$ is the diagonal map.

Freeness with amalgamation over the diagonal

Definition

X_N and Y_N are **free with amalgamation over** \mathbb{D}_N if

$$D \left[(P_{N,1} - D[P_{N,1}]) \cdots (P_{N,n} - D[P_{N,n}]) \right] = 0$$

for all $P_{N,1} \in \mathbb{D}_N \langle X_N \rangle$, $P_{N,2} \in \mathbb{D}_N \langle Y_N \rangle$, $P_{N,3} \in \mathbb{D}_N \langle X_N \rangle \dots$

Asymptotic freeness over the diagonal

Shlyakhtenko (1996): asymptotic freeness over the diagonal for certain Gaussian Wigner matrices with variance profile

Boedihardjo, Dykema (2017): certain random Vandermonde matrices are asymptotically \mathcal{R} -diagonal over the diagonal matrices.

Theorem (Au, C., Dahlqvist, Gabriel, Male 2018)

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Namely, if

$$\epsilon_N := D \left[(P_{N,1} - D[P_{N,1}]) \cdots (P_{N,n} - D[P_{N,n}]) \right]$$

where $P_{N,1} \in \mathbb{D}_N \langle X_N \rangle$, $P_{N,2} \in \mathbb{D}_N \langle Y_N \rangle$, $P_{N,3} \in \mathbb{D}_N \langle X_N \rangle \dots$ have degrees and coefficients uniformly bounded, then for all $\epsilon > 0$,

$$\mathbb{P} [\|\epsilon_N\|_2 > \epsilon] \xrightarrow[N \rightarrow \infty]{} 0.$$

Asymptotic freeness over the diagonal

Permutation invariance means

$$\{X_N(i, j)\}_{i, j} \stackrel{Law}{=} \{X_N(\sigma(i), \sigma(j))\}_{i, j}, \quad \forall \sigma \in S_N.$$

Examples:

- uniform permutation;
- $U_t D U_t^*$, where D is diagonal and U_t unitary BM starting at a uniform permutation.

What about Wigner matrices with variance profile or sparse Erdős-Rényi graphs?

Our assumption of **permutation invariance** can be relaxed by **multiplying all the entries by bounded coefficients**:

- Wigner with variance profile;
- percolated version (entries or blocks are randomly erased) of the previous models.

The boundedness of the norm can also be relaxed in the boundedness of the **traffic distribution**:

- Wigner with exploding moments;
- standardized adjacency matrix of a sparse Erdős-Rényi graph.

Asymptotic freeness over the diagonal

In the proof, we have to control **graph sums** as defined by Mingo and Speicher, or equivalently **traffic distribution**, as defined by Male:

for an oriented graph $G = (V, E)$ and a family $(A_N^{(e)})_{e \in E}$ of matrices among $\{X_N, Y_N\}$, we consider

$$\mathbb{E} \left[\sum_{i: V \rightarrow [N]} \prod_{e=(v,w) \in E} A_N^{(e)}(i(w), i(v)) \right].$$

We prove that $\mathbb{E}[\frac{1}{N} \text{Tr}(\epsilon_N \epsilon_N^*)]$ is a sum of such terms which tends to 0 as $N \rightarrow \infty$.

Numerical computations

The joint law of (X_N, Y_N) is determined by the **operator-valued Stieltjes transforms** G_{X_N} and G_{Y_N} : the diagonal of the resolvent of our matrices

$$G_{X_N}(d) = D [(d - X_N)^{-1}], \quad \forall d \in \mathbb{D}_N, \operatorname{Im}(d) > 0.$$

For numerical computation, the **algorithm of Belinschi, Mai and Speicher (2017)** is efficient to compute the eigenvalue law of $X_N + Y_N$.

Thank you!