# Non-interesecting Browian bridges and the Laguerre Orthogonal Ensemble 

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## The KPZ universality class

- Broad collection of models, including: interface growth models, directed polymers, interacting particle systems, reaction-diffusion models, randomly forced Hamilton-Jacobi equations.
- Main feature: $t^{1 / 3}$ scale of fluctuations, decorrelating at a $t^{2 / 3}$ spatial scale.
- Three special classes of initial data (scale invariance): curved, flat and stationary. Exact computations show that limiting fluctuations are related to random matrix theory (RMT).



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- Simplest version of the curved/GUE connection (next slide): non-intersecting B.M. $\longleftrightarrow$ Dyson B.M.
- Other (deep) connections are available for many models: integrable probability (Macdonald processes, RSK, quantum integrable systems...).


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Our goal: provide an explanation of the flat/GOE connection.
We use non-intersecting Brownian bridges, but focus on

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where $P_{r} f(x)=f(x) \mathbf{1}_{x>r}, \quad B_{r}$ is the integral operator with kernel

$$
B_{r}(x, y)=\operatorname{Ai}(x+y+r)
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and the Fredholm determinant is defined as

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[Prähofer-Spohn '01, Johansson '03]

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Proving this was the subject of intense research in the physics literature [Schehr, Majumdar, Rambeau, Comtet, Randon-Furling, Forrester '08-'12].

It was proved rigorously for Brownian br. on the half-line in [Liechty '12]. It actually follows from a stronger version of ( $\star$ ) in [Corwin-Hammond '14] (and also from our main theorem).

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Observe that $\chi_{2}^{2} \stackrel{(\mathrm{~d})}{=}\left(Z_{1} Z_{2}\right) \cdot\binom{Z_{1}}{Z_{2}}$ with $Z_{1}, Z_{2}$ independent $\mathscr{N}(0,1)$.

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Now the eigenvalues concentrate on $[0,4 N]$. The fluctuations at the soft edge coincide with those of GOE [Johnstone '01]: if $a$ is a constant, then

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Note that we need to take $n \rightarrow \infty$. This was done for the Airy ${ }_{2}$ process in [Corwin-Quastel-R '13].

## Path integral kernel for DBM

Let $\quad H_{N}(x, y)=\sum_{n=0}^{N-1} \varphi_{n}(x) \varphi_{n}(y)$ and $D=-\frac{1}{2}\left[\Delta-x^{2}+1\right]$.
Then

$$
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## Path integral kernel for DBM

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$$
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## Connection with LOE

Correlation kernels for orthogonal ensembles in RMT are not as simple as in the unitary case. To get around this we use a fact from [Forrester-Rains '04].

Take two independent LOE matrices, put all the $2 N$ eigenvalues together in increasing order, and let $\bar{\lambda}(1)<\cdots<\bar{\lambda}(N)$ be the ones with even labels. Then the superimposed ensemble $(\bar{\lambda}(i))_{i=1, \ldots, N}$ has a simple correlation kernel:

$$
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with

$$
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Here the $\psi_{n}$ are the Laguerre functions $\psi_{n}(x)=e^{-x / 2} q_{n}(x)$ with $q_{n}$ the $n$-th normalized Laguerre polynomial. They satisfy

$$
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The proof uses generating functions and contour integral formulas for Hermite and Laguerre polynomials and several ad-hoc combinatorial identities involving them.

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The story is analogous, with the following modifications:

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& \lim _{N \rightarrow \infty} \mathbb{P}\left(2^{7 / 6} N^{1 / 6}\left(\mathscr{M}_{N}^{\mathrm{rbb}}-\sqrt{2 N}\right) \leq r\right)=F_{\mathrm{GOE}}\left(4^{1 / 3} r\right)
\end{aligned}
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