Coloured vertex models and non-symmetric Macdonald polynomials

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Motivation: the multi-species ASEP



A configuration of the multi-species ASEP is given by

$$\eta(t) = \{\dots, \eta_{-1}(t), \eta_0(t), \eta_1(t), \dots\}, \quad \eta_i(t) \in \mathbb{N}.$$

- ▶ 0 indicates an unoccupied site, and an integer $j \ge 1$ indicates a particle of colour j.
- Let {η_{i−1}, η_i, η_{i+1}} be the occupation data for the site *i* and its two neighbours, at some point in time. This site is assigned two exponential clocks: a left clock of rate q · 1_{η_i>η_{i−1}} and a right clock of rate 1_{η_i>η_{i+1}}.
- When the left clock rings, the occupation data is updated as

$$\{\eta_{i-1}, \eta_i, \eta_{i+1}\} \mapsto \{\eta_i, \eta_{i-1}, \eta_{i+1}\}.$$

When the right clock rings, the occupation data is updated as

$$\{\eta_{i-1}, \eta_i, \eta_{i+1}\} \mapsto \{\eta_{i-1}, \eta_{i+1}, \eta_i\}.$$

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Motivation: coloured bosons



- ▶ Particles arrive at site 1 of the lattice according to a Poisson process of rate r_0 . The *i*-th particle to enter the system is assigned colour $t_i \in \mathbb{R}_{>0}$, where t_i is its time of entrance.
- ▶ There is an exponential clock of rate $r_i \in \mathbb{R}_{>0}$ attached to the *i*-th site of the lattice, for each $1 \leq i \leq M$.
- ▶ When the *i*-th clock rings, $1 \le i \le M 1$, the particle with maximal colour at position *i* hops to position *i* + 1.
- When the *M*-th clock rings, the particle with maximal colour at position *M* exits the system.

1: Fundamental $U_q(\widehat{\mathfrak{sl}_{n+1}})$ vertex model

 Our main focus will be a higher-rank extension of the six-vertex model. It is a model of vertices of the form

$$R_{z}(i,j;k,\ell) = \textcircled{(x)}_{j} \stackrel{k}{\underset{i}{\longrightarrow}} \ell \quad \text{where} \quad i,j,k,\ell \in \{0,1,\ldots,n\}, \quad z = y/x.$$

The model has a basic conservation identity:

 $R_z(i, j; k, \ell) = 0$, unless $\{i\} \cup \{j\} = \{k\} \cup \{\ell\}$.

The non-zero weights are simple rational functions of the spectral parameter z and quantum parameter q:

	$i \xrightarrow{j} i$ $\frac{q(1-z)}{1-qz}$	$i \qquad j \qquad $	
$0 \leqslant i < j \leqslant n$	$i = \frac{1 - qz}{i}$ $i = \frac{1 - z}{1 - qz}$	$i = qz$ j i i $\frac{(1-q)z}{1-qz}$	

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1: Fundamental $U_q(\widehat{\mathfrak{sl}_{n+1}})$ vertex model

The model has a sum-to-unity property:

$$\sum_{0\leqslant k,\ell\leqslant n} j \xrightarrow{k}_{\ell} = 1, \quad \forall \ i,j\in\{0,1,\ldots,n\}.$$

With mild assumptions on the parameters z and q (that ensure positivity), this allows us to construct discrete-time Markov processes from the model.

The model satisfies the Yang–Baxter equation:



for all fixed $i_1, \ldots, i_3, j_1, \ldots, j_3 \in \{0, 1, \ldots, n\}$.

1: Non-symmetric rational functions f_{μ} and g_{μ}

▶ In what follows, all vertical lines carry a trivial rapidity variable (= 1):

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i	. j	j
1	$\frac{q(x-1)}{x-q}$	$\frac{(1-q)x}{x-q}$
$0 \leqslant i < j \leqslant n$	j j j	j j i
	$\frac{x-1}{x-q}$	$\frac{(1-q)}{x-q}$

Let μ = (μ₁,..., μ_n) be a vector of pairwise-distinct natural numbers (a strict composition). We define f_μ as a partition function in our vertex model:

state which encodes μ



1: Non-symmetric rational functions f_{μ} and g_{μ}

• We can also consider 90° rotations of the vertices:

i i i i	j j	j i
1	$\frac{q(1-x)}{1-qx}$	$\frac{(1-q)}{1-qx}$
$0 \leqslant i < j \leqslant n$	i 🕂 i	j i i
	$\frac{1-x}{1-qx}$	$\frac{\frac{(1-q)x}{1-qx}}{1-qx}$

• We define g_{μ} as a partition function in our rotated vertex model:



1: Transfer matrix $G_{\mu/\nu}$

- We will define one more type of partition function, which plays the role of a multivariate transfer matrix.
- Let $\mu = (\mu_1, ..., \mu_n)$ and $\nu = (\nu_1, ..., \nu_n)$ be two strict, natural-number compositions, with $\mu_i \ge \nu_i$ for all $i \in \{1, ..., n\}$. We define $G_{\mu/\nu}$ as follows:



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▶ The value of *p* should be sufficiently large, but is otherwise unrelated to *n*.

1: Summation identities

Let (x₁,..., x_n) and (y₁,..., y_p) be two alphabets which satisfy the technical constraint

$$\left|\frac{x_i-1}{x_i-q}\cdot q\cdot \frac{1-y_j}{1-qy_j}\right|<1,\qquad\forall\ i\in\{1,\ldots,n\},\quad j\in\{1,\ldots,p\}.$$

We have the following skew Cauchy summation identity:

$$\sum_{\mu} f_{\mu}(x_1, \dots, x_n) G_{\mu/\nu}(y_1, \dots, y_p) = \prod_{i=1}^n \prod_{j=1}^p \frac{x_i - y_j}{x_i - qy_j} \cdot f_{\nu}(x_1, \dots, x_n),$$

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where the summation is taken over all length-*n*, strict compositions $\mu = (\mu_1, \dots, \mu_n)$.

The proof makes use of the Yang–Baxter equation of the model.

1: Summation identities

• Introduce a function g_{μ}^* which differs from g_{μ} by an overall multiplicative factor:

$$g_{\mu}^{*}(x_{1},\ldots,x_{n}):=rac{q^{n(n+1)/2}}{(q-1)^{n}}\cdot g_{\mu}(x_{1},\ldots,x_{n}).$$

Let (x₁,..., x_n) and (y₁,..., y_n) be two alphabets which satisfy the technical constraint

$$\left|\frac{x_i-1}{x_i-q}\cdot q\cdot \frac{1-y_j}{1-qy_j}\right|<1,\qquad\forall\ i,j\in\{1,\ldots,n\}.$$

▶ We have the following summation identity of Mimachi–Noumi type:

$$\sum_{\mu} f_{\mu}(x_1, \dots, x_n) g_{\mu}^*(y_1, \dots, y_n) = \prod_{i=1}^n \frac{qy_i}{qy_i - x_i} \prod_{n \ge i > j \ge 1} \frac{x_i - y_j}{x_i - qy_j},$$

where the summation is over all length-*n*, strict compositions $\mu = (\mu_1, \dots, \mu_n)$.

The proof makes use of the Yang–Baxter equation of the model.

1: Orthogonality

▶ Consider *n* positively-oriented, *q*-nested integration contours as shown below:



• The rational functions f_{μ} and g_{ν}^* satisfy the following orthogonality relation:

$$\left(\frac{1}{2\pi\sqrt{-1}}\right)^n \oint_{C_1} \frac{dx_1}{x_1} \cdots \oint_{C_n} \frac{dx_n}{x_n}$$
$$\prod_{1 \le i < j \le n} \left(\frac{x_i - x_j}{x_i - qx_j}\right) f_\mu(qx_1, \dots, qx_n) g_\nu^*(x_1, \dots, x_n) = \mathbf{1}_{\mu=\nu}.$$

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The proof is long and complicated!

- 1: Spectral decomposition of $G_{\mu/\nu}$
 - It is now very easy to combine the skew Cauchy identity and the orthogonality relation to obtain the following formula for our transfer matrix:

$$G_{\mu/\nu}(y_1,...,y_p) = \frac{q^{-np}}{(2\pi\sqrt{-1})^n} \oint_{C_1} \frac{dx_1}{x_1} \cdots \oint_{C_n} \frac{dx_n}{x_n}$$
$$\prod_{1 \le i < j \le n} \left(\frac{x_i - x_j}{x_i - qx_j}\right) \prod_{i=1}^n \prod_{j=1}^p \frac{qx_i - y_j}{x_i - y_j} f_{\nu}(qx_1,...,qx_n) g_{\mu}^*(x_1,...,x_n),$$

with the same integration contours as previously.

So far all rational functions were indexed by natural-number compositions. It is easy to extend to integer compositions by noting a simple shift property of the functions:

For all $\mu \in \mathbb{N}^n$ and k > 0 there holds

$$f_{\mu+k^n}(x_1,\ldots,x_n) = \prod_{i=1}^n \left(\frac{x_i-1}{x_i-q}\right)^k f_{\mu}(x_1,\ldots,x_n),$$

$$g_{\mu+k^n}^*(x_1,\ldots,x_n) = \prod_{i=1}^n \left(q \cdot \frac{1-x_i}{1-qx_i}\right)^k g_{\mu}^*(x_1,\ldots,x_n).$$

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1: Spectral decomposition of $G_{\mu/\nu}$

• For strict compositions $\mu \in \mathbb{Z}^n$, we then define

$$f_{\mu}(x_1,\ldots,x_n) := \prod_{i=1}^n \left(\frac{x_i-q}{x_i-1}\right)^k f_{\mu+k^n}(x_1,\ldots,x_n),$$
$$g_{\mu}^*(x_1,\ldots,x_n) := \prod_{i=1}^n \left(q^{-1} \cdot \frac{1-qx_i}{1-x_i}\right)^k g_{\mu+k^n}^*(x_1,\ldots,x_n),$$

where *k* is sufficiently large such that $\mu + k^n \in \mathbb{N}^n$.

• The stated formula for $G_{\mu/\nu}$ continues to hold for arbitrary strict compositions $\mu, \nu \in \mathbb{Z}^n$:

$$G_{\mu/\nu}(y_1,\ldots,y_p) = \frac{q^{-np}}{(2\pi\sqrt{-1})^n} \oint_{C_1} \frac{dx_1}{x_1} \cdots \oint_{C_n} \frac{dx_n}{x_n}$$
$$\prod_{1 \le i < j \le n} \left(\frac{x_i - x_j}{x_i - qx_j}\right) \prod_{i=1}^n \prod_{j=1}^p \frac{qx_i - y_j}{x_i - y_j} f_{\nu}(qx_1,\ldots,qx_n) g_{\mu}^*(x_1,\ldots,x_n).$$

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1: Reduction to ASEP

• Let us study the 90°-rotated vertex weights in the case when all rapidity variables take the form $x = 1 - \epsilon(1 - q)$, where $\epsilon > 0$ is small. The weights become



where we only show $O(\epsilon)$ dependence.

Fix a parameter $t \in \mathbb{R}_{>0}$ and two strict compositions $\mu, \nu \in \mathbb{Z}^n$. We find that

$$\lim_{\epsilon \to 0} G_{\mu/(\nu-p^n)}(y_1, \dots, y_p)\Big|_{p \mapsto t/\epsilon}\Big|_{y_i \mapsto 1-\epsilon(1-q)} = \mathbb{P}_t^{\text{ASEP}}(\mu \to \nu),$$

where the right hand side is the probability of being in state ν at time *t*, given that the system was initialized in state μ .

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1: Reduction to ASEP

• Performing this limit in the explicit formula for $G_{\mu/(\nu-p^n)}$, we obtain all ASEP transition probabilities:

$$\mathbb{P}_{t}^{\text{ASEP}}(\mu \to \nu) = \frac{1}{(2\pi\sqrt{-1})^{n}} \oint_{C_{1}} \frac{dx_{1}}{x_{1}} \cdots \oint_{C_{n}} \frac{dx_{n}}{x_{n}} \\
\prod_{1 \leq i < j \leq n} \left(\frac{x_{i} - x_{j}}{x_{i} - qx_{j}}\right) \prod_{i=1}^{n} \exp\left[\frac{(1 - q)^{2}x_{i}t}{(1 - x_{i})(1 - qx_{i})}\right] f_{\nu}(qx_{1}, \dots, qx_{n})g_{\mu}^{*}(x_{1}, \dots, x_{n}).$$

• Explicit formulae for f_{ν} and g^*_{μ} (as sums over the symmetric group) exist, but are rather complicated.

If we assume that $\mu_1 > \cdots > \mu_n$ and $\nu_1 < \cdots < \nu_n$ (so that the particles have totally reversed their order after time *t*), then both f_{ν} and g_u^* factorize.

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2: Fusion and higher-spin vertex models

▶ The fusion procedure (in the sense of Kulish–Reshetikhin–Sklyanin) makes use of rows of vertices in the $U_q(\widehat{\mathfrak{sl}_{n+1}})$ model:

$$R_{y/x}\Big((i_1,\ldots,i_M),j;(k_1,\ldots,k_M),\ell\Big) := j \xrightarrow{k_1 \quad k_2 \quad \ldots \quad k_M \atop i_1 \quad i_2 \quad \cdots \quad i_M} \ell$$

where the spectral parameters form a geometric progression in *q*:

$$\left(q^{M-1}\frac{y}{x},\ldots,q\frac{y}{x},\frac{y}{x}\right).$$

From this, one defines

$$\mathcal{L}_{y/x}^{(M)}(I,j;\mathbf{K},\ell) := \frac{1}{Z_q(M;I)} \sum_{\substack{\mathcal{C}(i_1,\dots,i_M)=I\\\mathcal{C}(k_1,\dots,k_M)=\mathbf{K}}} q^{\text{inv}(i_1,\dots,i_M)} R_{y/x}\Big((i_1,\dots,i_M),j;(k_1,\dots,k_M),\ell\Big).$$

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2: Fusion and higher-spin vertex models

- The vertex weights that one obtains in this way depend on *M* only via q^M . One may analytically continue q^M to C, writing $q^M = s^{-2}$.
- We then consider the following sequence of limits:

$$\int_{\ell}^{K} \left[x \right]_{\ell} := (-s)^{-\mathbf{1}_{\ell > 0}} \mathcal{L}_{y/x}^{(M)}(I,j;K,\ell) \Big|_{y \to s} \Big|_{q^{M} \to s^{-2}} \Big|_{s \to 0}.$$

• The weights of this model can be computed explicitly:



where it is assumed that $1 \leq i < j \leq n$.

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2: Fusion and higher-spin vertex models

The model satisfies the following Yang–Baxter (RLL) equation:



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2: Non-symmetric Hall–Littlewood polynomials, E_{μ}

In a similar vein to before, we define



Here we have defined

$$N = \max_{1 \leq i \leq n} (\mu_i), \qquad \boldsymbol{\mu}(j) = \sum_{i=1}^n \mathbf{1}(\mu_i = j)\boldsymbol{e}_i.$$

These functions obey two (uniquely-determining) properties:

$$E_{\delta}(x_1,\ldots,x_n)=\prod_{i=1}^n x_i^{\delta_i}, \qquad \delta=(\delta_1\leqslant\cdots\leqslant\delta_n).$$

$$T_i \cdot E_{\mu}(x_1, \dots, x_n) = E_{\mathfrak{s}_i \cdot \mu}(x_1, \dots, x_n), \qquad \mu_i < \mu_{i+1}, \qquad T_i := q - \frac{x_i - qx_{i+1}}{x_i - x_{i+1}} (1 - \mathfrak{s}_i).$$

2: Hall-Littlewood processes

The ascending Hall–Littlewood process is a discrete-time Markov process of growing Young diagrams:



Alternatively, it can be viewed as a probability measure on Gelfand–Tsetlin patterns:

$$\mathbb{P}_{m,n}^{\mathrm{HL}}\left(\lambda^{(1)} \prec \cdots \prec \lambda^{(n)}\right) := \left(\prod_{i=1}^{n} Q_{\lambda^{(i)}/\lambda^{(i-1)}}(x_i;q)\right) P_{\lambda^{(n)}}(y_1,\ldots,y_m;q) \prod_{i=1}^{n} \prod_{j=1}^{m} \frac{1-x_i y_j}{1-q x_i y_j}.$$

2: Non-symmetric Hall-Littlewood processes

• One can extend this probability measure to the non-symmetric case, as follows:

$$\mathbb{P}_{m,n}^{\rm ns}(\mu,\lambda) := Q_{\mu^+/\lambda^{(1)}}(x_1) \cdot \prod_{j=2}^n Q_{\lambda^{(j-1)}/\lambda^{(j)}}(x_j) \cdot E_{\mu}(y_1,\ldots,y_m) \prod_{i=1}^n \prod_{j=1}^m \frac{1-x_i y_j}{1-q x_i y_j}.$$

The measure satisfies the sum-to-unity property:

$$\sum_{\mu} \sum_{\lambda} \mathbb{P}_{m,n}^{\rm ns}(\mu,\lambda) = 1.$$

This can be proved by making use of the branching rule for symmetric Hall–Littlewood polynomials:

$$Q_{\lambda}(x_1,\ldots,x_n)=\sum_{\nu\prec\lambda}Q_{\lambda/\nu}(x_1)Q_{\nu}(x_2,\ldots,x_n),$$

and the symmetrization property of non-symmetric Hall-Littlewood polynomials:

$$\sum_{\mu:\mu^+=\lambda} E_{\mu}(y_1,\ldots,y_m) = P_{\lambda}(y_1,\ldots,y_m).$$

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 One can proceed to compute the averages of observables by using the action of Cherednik–Dunkl operators.

2: A remarkable distribution match

• The observables that will interest us will be the zero set $z(\mu)$ of the composition (μ_1, \ldots, μ_m) , defined as

$$z(\mu) = \{1 \leq i \leq m : \mu_i = 0\},\$$

and a further set

$$\zeta(\mu,\lambda) = \{1 \leq j \leq n : \ell(\lambda^{(j-1)}) - \ell(\lambda^{(j)}) = 0\}, \qquad \lambda^{(0)} \equiv \mu^+, \qquad \lambda^{(n)} \equiv \varnothing,$$

which records the instances where neighbouring partitions in the extended Gelfand–Tsetlin pattern $\mu^+ \succ \lambda^{(1)} \succ \cdots \succ \lambda^{(n-1)} \succ \emptyset$ have the same length.

In particular, we define

$$\mathbb{P}_{m,n}(\mathcal{I},\mathcal{J}) := \sum_{\mu} \sum_{\lambda} \mathbb{P}_{m,n}^{\mathrm{ns}}(\mu,\lambda) \cdot \mathbf{1}_{z(\mu) = \tilde{\mathcal{I}}} \cdot \mathbf{1}_{\zeta(\mu,\lambda) = \mathcal{J}},$$

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which is the joint distribution of the random variables $z(\mu)$, $\zeta(\mu, \lambda)$ in the pair (μ, λ) sampled with respect to the non-symmetric Hall–Littlewood process.

2: A remarkable distribution match

 Compare this against the following probability distribution, of our starting vertex model in a quadrant:



Theorem

Fix two integers $m, n \ge 1$ and two sets $\mathcal{I} = \{1 \le I_1 < \cdots < I_k \le m\}$ and $\mathcal{J} = \{1 \le J_1 < \cdots < J_\ell \le n\}$ whose cardinalities satisfy $k + \ell = n$. The following equality of distributions holds:

$$\mathbb{P}_{m,n}(\mathcal{I},\mathcal{J})=Z_{m,n}(\mathcal{I},\mathcal{J}).$$

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