# Random graph states and area laws 

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# Random density matrices 

## — asymptotics -

## Random pure states and the induced ensemble

- Induced ensemble : partial trace a random pure state on a composite system $\mathcal{H} \otimes \mathcal{K}$ :

$$
\rho=\operatorname{Tr}_{K}|\psi\rangle\langle\psi|,
$$

where $|\psi\rangle$ is a random pure state on $\mathbb{C}^{N} \otimes \mathbb{C}^{K}$.

- The random matrix $\rho$ has the same distribution as a rescaled Wishart matrix $W / \operatorname{Tr} W$, where $W=X X^{*}$ with $X$ a Ginibre (i.i.d. Gaussian entries) matrix from $\mathcal{M}_{N \times K}(\mathbb{C})$.
- The eigenvalue density of $\rho$ is given by

$$
\left(\lambda_{1}, \ldots, \lambda_{N}\right) \mapsto C_{N, K} \exp \left(-\sum_{i=1}^{N} \lambda_{i}\right) \prod_{i=1}^{N} \lambda_{i}^{K-N} \Delta(\lambda)^{2}
$$

where $C_{N, K}$ is the constant $\left[\prod_{j=0}^{N-1} \Gamma(N+1-j) \Gamma(K-j)\right]^{-1}$ and

$$
\Delta(\lambda)=\prod_{1 \leqslant i<j \leqslant N}\left(\lambda_{i}-\lambda_{j}\right) .
$$

## Random density matrices - asymptotics

- In the limit $N \rightarrow \infty, K \sim c N$, for a fixed constant $c>0$, the empirical spectral distribution of the rescaled eigenvalues

$$
L_{N}=\frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^{N} \delta_{c N \lambda_{i}}
$$

converges almost surely to the Marchenko-Pastur distribution $\pi_{c}^{(1)}$.

- The Marchenko-Pastur (or free Poisson) distribution is defined by

$$
\pi_{c}^{(1)}=\max \{1-c, 0\} \delta_{0}+\frac{\sqrt{(x-a)(b-x)}}{2 \pi x} \mathbf{1}_{[a, b]}(x) d x,
$$

where $a=(\sqrt{c}-1)^{2}$ and $b=(\sqrt{c}+1)^{2}$.

## Random density matrices - asymptotics



Figure: Empirical and limit measures for $(N=1000, K=1000)$, $(N=1000, K=2000)$ and ( $N=1000, K=10000$ ).

## Random graph states

- definition and examples -


## Pure states associated to graphs

- Consider an undirected graph $\Gamma$ consisting of $m$ edges (or bonds) $B_{1}, \ldots, B_{m}$ and $k$ vertices $V_{1}, \ldots V_{k}$.
- We associate to $\Gamma$ a pure state $|\tilde{\Psi}\rangle\langle\tilde{\Psi}| \in \mathcal{H}=\mathcal{H}_{1} \otimes \cdots \otimes \mathcal{H}_{2 m}$ :

$$
|\tilde{\Psi}\rangle=\bigotimes_{\{i, j\} \text { edge }}\left|\Phi_{i, j}^{+}\right\rangle,
$$

where $\left|\Phi_{i, j}^{+}\right\rangle$denotes a maximally entangled state:

$$
\left|\Phi_{i j}^{+}\right\rangle=\frac{1}{\sqrt{d_{i} N}} \sum_{x=1}^{d_{i} N}\left|e_{x}\right\rangle \otimes\left|f_{x}\right\rangle
$$

- $\operatorname{dim} \mathcal{H}_{i}=d_{i} N$, with $d_{i}$ fixed parameters and $N \rightarrow \infty$. For each edge $\{i, j\}$, we have $d_{i}=d_{j}$.
- At each vertex, a Haar unitary matrix acts on the subsystems

$$
\bigotimes_{i=1}^{n=2 m} \mathcal{H}_{i} \ni\left|\Psi_{\Gamma}\right\rangle=\left(\bigotimes_{C \text { vertex }} U_{C}\right)|\tilde{\Psi}\rangle
$$

- The random unitary matrices $U_{1}, \ldots, U_{k}$ are independent.


## Pure states associated to graphs - examples



Figure: Graphs with one edge: a loop on one vertex, in simplified notation (a) and in the standard notation (b), and two vertices connected by one edge, in simplified notation (c) and in the standard notation (d).

## Pure states associated to graphs - examples



Figure: A linear 2-edge graph, in the simplified notation (a) and in the standard notation (b). Graph consisting of 3 vertices and 3 bonds (c), one of which is connected to the same vertex so it forms a loop; (d) the corresponding ensemble of random pure states defined in a Hilbert space composed of 6 subspaces represented by dark dots.

## Marginals of graph states

— moments and entropy -

## Partial tracing random pure graph states

- Non-local properties of the random graph state $|\Psi\rangle \leadsto$ partition of the set of all $2 m$ subsystems into two groups, $\{S, T\}$.
- Total Hilbert space can be decomposed as a tensor product, $\mathcal{H}=\mathcal{H}_{T} \otimes \mathcal{H}_{S}$.
- Reduced density operator

$$
\rho_{S}=\operatorname{Tr}_{T}|\Psi\rangle\langle\Psi| .
$$

- Graphically, partial traces are denoted at the graph by "crossing" the spaces $\mathcal{H}_{i}$ which are being traced out.


Figure: The random pure state supported on $n=6$ subspaces is partial traced over the subspace $\mathcal{H}_{T}$ defined by the set $T=\{2,4,6\}$, represented by crosses. The reduced state $\rho_{S}$ supported on subspaces corresponding to the set $S=\{1,3,5\}$.

## Moments

- Use the method of moments: compute $\lim _{N \rightarrow \infty} \mathbb{E} \operatorname{Tr}\left(X^{p}\right)$ for a random matrix $X$.
- Using matrix coordinates, we can reduce our problem to computing integrals over the unitary group.


## Theorem (Weingarten formula)

Let $d$ be a positive integer and $\mathbf{i}=\left(i_{1}, \ldots, i_{p}\right), \mathbf{i}^{\prime}=\left(i_{1}^{\prime}, \ldots, i_{p}^{\prime}\right), \mathbf{j}=\left(j_{1}, \ldots, j_{p}\right)$, $\mathbf{j}^{\prime}=\left(j_{1}^{\prime}, \ldots, j_{p}^{\prime}\right)$ be $p$-tuples of positive integers from $\{1,2, \ldots, d\}$. Then

$$
\begin{aligned}
& \int_{\mathcal{U}(d)} U_{i_{1} j_{1}} \cdots U_{i_{p} j_{p}} \overline{U_{i_{1}^{\prime} j_{1}^{\prime}}} \ldots \overline{U_{i_{p}^{\prime} j_{p}^{\prime}}} d U= \\
& \sum_{\alpha, \beta \in \mathcal{S}_{p}} \delta_{i_{1} i_{\alpha(1)}^{\prime}} \ldots \delta_{i_{p} i_{\alpha(p)}^{\prime}} \delta_{j_{1} j_{\beta(1)}^{\prime}} \ldots \delta_{j_{p} j_{\beta(p)}^{\prime}} \operatorname{Wg}\left(d, \alpha \beta^{-1}\right)
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$$

If $p \neq p^{\prime}$ then

$$
\int_{\mathcal{U}(d)} U_{i, j 1} \cdots U_{i, j_{p}} \overline{U_{i_{1}^{\prime} j_{1}^{\prime}}} \cdots \overline{U_{i_{p}^{\prime}, j_{p}^{\prime}}^{\prime}} d U=0
$$

## Network associated to a marginal

- Using the Weingarten formula, one has to find the dominating term in a sum indexed by permutations of $p$ objects.
- This optimization problem is equivalent to finding the maximum flow in a network.



## Network associated to a marginal

- Network $(\mathcal{V}, \mathcal{E}, w)$ with vertex set $\mathcal{V}$, edge set $\mathcal{E}$ and edge capacities $w$.
- The vertex set $\mathcal{V}=\left\{\right.$ id $\left., \gamma, \beta_{1}, \ldots, \beta_{k}\right\}$, with two distinguished vertices: the source id and the sink $\gamma$.
- The edges in $\mathcal{E}$ are oriented and they are of three types:
$\mathcal{E}=\left\{\left(\mathrm{id}, \beta_{i}\right) ;\left|T_{i}\right|>0\right\} \sqcup\left\{\left(\beta_{i}, \gamma\right) ;\left|S_{i}\right|>0\right\} \sqcup\left\{\left(\beta_{i}, \beta_{j}\right),\left(\beta_{j}, \beta_{i}\right) ;\left|E_{i j}\right|>0\right\}$,
where $S_{i}, T_{i}$ is are the surviving and traced out subsystems at vertex $i$ and $E_{i j}$ are the edges from vertex $i$ to vertex $j$.
- The capacities of the edges are given by:

$$
\begin{aligned}
& w\left(\text { id }, \beta_{i}\right)=\left|T_{i}\right|>0 \\
& w\left(\beta_{i}, \gamma\right)=\left|S_{i}\right|>0 \\
& w\left(\beta_{i}, \beta_{j}\right)=w\left(\beta_{j}, \beta_{i}\right)=\left|E_{i j}\right|>0 .
\end{aligned}
$$

## Main theorem

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Asymptotically, as $N \rightarrow \infty$, the p-th moment of the reduced density matrix behaves as

$$
\mathbb{E} \operatorname{Tr}\left(\rho_{S}^{p}\right) \sim N^{-X(p-1)} \cdot[\text { combinatorial term }+o(1)]
$$

where $X$ is the maximum flow in the network associated to the marginal. The combinatorial part can be expressed in terms of the residual network obtained after removing the capacities of the edges that appear in the maximum flow solution.

## Fuss-Catalan limit distributions

## Definition

- Matrix model: $\pi^{(s)}$ is the limit eigenvalue distribution of the random matrix $X_{s}=G_{s} \cdots G_{2} G_{1} G_{1}^{*} G_{2}^{*} \cdots G_{s}^{*}$, with i.i.d. Gaussian matrices $G_{i}$.
- Combinatorics: moments given by

$$
\begin{aligned}
\int x^{p} d \pi^{(s)}(x) & =\frac{1}{s p+1}\binom{s p+p}{p} \\
& =\left|\left\{\hat{0}_{p} \leqslant \sigma_{1} \leqslant \sigma_{2} \leqslant \cdots \leqslant \sigma_{s} \leqslant \hat{1}_{p} \in N C(p)\right\}\right| .
\end{aligned}
$$

- Free probability: $\pi^{(s)}=\left(\pi^{(1)}\right)^{\boxtimes s}$, where $\pi^{(1)}$ is the free Poisson (or Marchenko-Pastur) distribution (of parameter $c=1$ ).



## Graph marginals with limit Fuss-Catalan distribution, $s=1$



Figure: A vertex with one loop (a) and a marginal (b) having as a limit eigenvalue distribution the Marchenko-Pastur law $\pi^{(1)}$. In the network (c), both edges have capacity one.

- This is the simplest graph state having the Marchenko-Pastur asymptotic distribution.
- The reduced matrix is obtained by partial tracing an uniformly distributed pure state, hence it is an element of the induced ensemble.


## Graph marginals with limit Fuss-Catalan distribution, $s=2$


(a)


$$
\begin{array}{ll}
V_{1} & V_{2}
\end{array}
$$

(b)

(c)

Figure: A graph (a) and a marginal (b) having as a limit eigenvalue distribution the Fuss-Catalan law $\pi^{(2)}$. In the network (c), non-labeled edges have capacity one. A maximum flow of 3 can be sent from the source id to the sink $\gamma$ : one unit through each path id $\rightarrow \beta_{i} \rightarrow \gamma, i=1,2$ and one unit through the path id $\rightarrow \beta_{1} \rightarrow \beta_{2} \rightarrow \gamma$. In this way, the residual network is empty and the only constraint on the geodesic permutations $\beta_{1}, \beta_{2}$ is $\hat{0}_{p} \leqslant\left[\beta_{1}\right] \leqslant\left[\beta_{2}\right] \leqslant \hat{1}_{p}$, i.e. $\left[\beta_{1}\right]$ and $\left[\beta_{2}\right]$ form a 2-chain in $N C(p)$

## Graph marginals with limit Fuss-Catalan distribution, $s \geqslant 2$



Figure: An example of a graph state (a) with a marginal (b) having as a limit eigenvalue distribution the $s$-th Fuss-Catalan probability measure $\pi^{(s)}$. The associated network (c) has a maximal flow of $s+1$, obtained by sending a unit of flow through each $\beta_{i}$ and a unit through the path id $\rightarrow \beta_{1} \rightarrow \cdots \rightarrow \beta_{s} \rightarrow \gamma$. The linear chain condition $\left[\beta_{1}\right] \leqslant \cdots \leqslant\left[\beta_{s}\right]$ follows.

Area laws

## Area law holds for adapted marginals of graph states

- Setting: quantum many-body problem with local interactions
- "Area law" : the entanglement entropy of ground states grows like the boundary area of the subregion
- Non-extensive behavior for the entanglement entropy.
- A marginal $\rho_{S}$ is called adapted if the number of traced out systems in each vertex is either zero or maximal.


## Theorem

Let $\rho_{S}$ be an adapted marginal of a graph state $|\Psi\rangle\langle\Psi|$. Then

$$
H\left(\rho_{S}\right)=|\partial S| \log N
$$

for all $N$. The boundary $\partial S$ contains all the edges between the "traced out" vertices and the "surviving" vertices.

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Figure: An example of a graph state (a) with an adapted marginal (b). The green dashed line represents the boundary between the traced and the surviving subsystems.

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Figure: The network associated to an adapted marginal. Nodes cannot be connected to both the source and the sink. The maximum flow equals the minimum cut in the network which is the number of edges in the boundary $\partial S$.

## Proof techniques

- graphical Weingarten calculus -


## Method of moments \& unitary integration

- Recall the main Theorem


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## Boxes \& wires

- Graphical formalism inspired by works of Penrose, Coecke, Jones, etc.
- Tensors $\leadsto$ decorated boxes.


$$
M \in V_{1} \otimes V_{2} \otimes V_{3} \otimes V_{1}^{*} \otimes V_{2}^{*}
$$

$$
x \in V_{1}
$$

$$
\varphi \in V_{1}^{*}
$$

- Tensor contractions (or traces) $V \otimes V^{*} \rightarrow \mathbb{C} \leadsto$ wires.


$$
\operatorname{Tr}(\mathrm{C})
$$



- Bell state $\Phi^{+}=\sum_{i=1}^{\operatorname{dim} V_{1}} e_{i} \otimes e_{i} \in V_{1} \otimes V_{1}$



## Graphical representation of random graph states



Figure: A graph state and its graphical representation.

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Figure: A marginal $\rho_{S}$ of a graph state and its graphical representation.

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& \sum_{\alpha, \beta \in \mathcal{S}_{p}} \delta_{i_{1} i_{\alpha(1)}^{\prime}} \ldots \delta_{i_{p} i_{\alpha(\rho)}^{\prime}} \delta_{j j_{j(1)}^{\prime}} \ldots \delta_{j p_{\beta}^{\prime} j_{\beta)}^{\prime}} \operatorname{Wg}\left(d, \alpha \beta^{-1}\right) .
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$$

- There is a graphical way of reading this formula on the diagrams !


## "Graphical" Weingarten formula: graph expansion

Consider a diagram $\mathcal{D}$ containing random unitary matrices/boxes $U$ and $U^{*}$. Apply the following removal procedure:
(1) Start by replacing $U^{*}$ boxed by $\bar{U}$ boxes (by reversing decoration shading).
(2) By the (algebraic) Weingarten formula, if the number $p$ of $U$ boxes is different from the number of $\bar{U}$ boxes, then $\mathbb{E} \mathcal{D}=0$.
(3) Otherwise, choose a pair of permutations $(\alpha, \beta) \in \mathcal{S}_{p}^{2}$. These permutations will be used to pair decorations of $U / \bar{U}$ boxes.
(4) For all $i=1, \ldots, p$, add a wire between each white decoration of the $i$-th $U$ box and the corresponding white decoration of the $\alpha(i)$-th $\bar{U}$ box. In a similar manner, use $\beta$ to pair black decorations.
(5) Erase all $U$ and $\bar{U}$ boxes. The resulting diagram is denoted by $\mathcal{D}_{(\alpha, \beta)}$.

## Theorem (Collins, N. - CMP '10)

$$
\mathbb{E D}=\sum_{\alpha, \beta} \mathcal{D}_{(\alpha, \beta)} \operatorname{Wg}\left(d, \alpha \beta^{-1}\right)
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- Conclusion :
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$$
\begin{aligned}
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& \quad \mathcal{D}_{(1)(2),(1)(2)} \cdot \mathrm{Wg}(N,(1)(2))+ \\
& \mathcal{D}_{(1)(2),(12)} \cdot \mathrm{Wg}(N,(12))+ \\
& \mathcal{D}_{(12),(1)(2)} \cdot \mathrm{Wg}(N,(12))+ \\
& \quad \mathcal{D}_{(12),(12)} \cdot \mathrm{Wg}(N,(1)(2)) \\
& \quad=\mathrm{Wg}(N,(1)(2))+\mathrm{Wg}(N,(12))+\mathrm{Wg}(N,(12))+\mathrm{Wg}(N,(1)(2)) \\
& \\
& \quad=\frac{2}{N^{2}-1}-\frac{2}{N\left(N^{2}-1\right)}=\frac{2}{N(N+1)} .
\end{aligned}
$$

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## Conclusion and perspectives

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- Study lattice graphs.
- Other examples of physically and graph-theoretical motivated random states.
- Exotic limit distributions.
- Connection with free probability: classical and free multiplicative convolution semigroups.
- More general area laws.
- Dual graphs: vertices are GHZ states and edges represent unitary coupling.


## Thank you !

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