

On the circle, $GMC^\gamma = \varprojlim C^\beta E_n$ if $\gamma = \sqrt{\frac{2}{\beta}} \leq 1$

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A puzzling identity in law

Consider $(\mathcal{N}_1^{\mathbb{C}}, \mathcal{N}_2^{\mathbb{C}}, \dots)$ to be a sequence of i.i.d standard complex Gaussians i.e:

$$\mathbb{P}(\mathcal{N}_i^{\mathbb{C}} \in dx dy) = \frac{1}{\pi} e^{-x^2 - y^2} dx dy ,$$

so that:

$$\mathbb{E}\mathcal{N}_k^{\mathbb{C}} = 0, \quad \mathbb{E}|\mathcal{N}_k^{\mathbb{C}}|^2 = 1 .$$

Let $(\alpha_j)_{j \geq 0}$ be independent random variables with uniform phases and moduli as follows:

$$|\alpha_j|^2 \stackrel{\mathcal{L}}{=} \text{Beta}(1, \beta_j := \frac{\beta}{2}(j+1))$$

As a shadow of a more global correspondence between GMC and RMT:

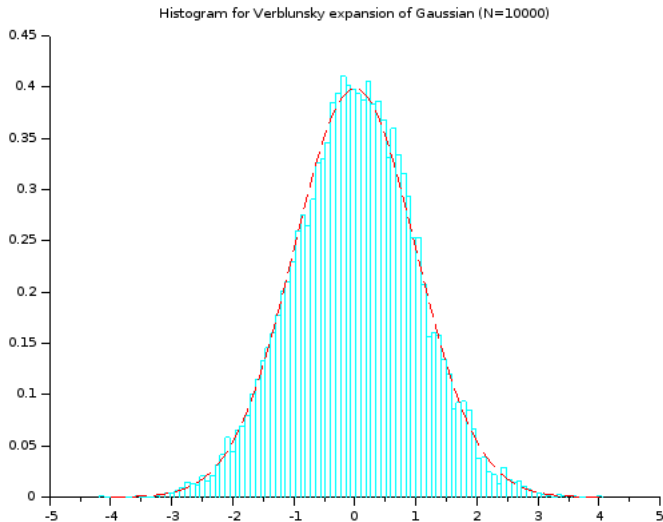
Proposition (Verblunsky expansion of Gaussians)

The following equality in law holds, while the RHS converges almost surely (!):

$$\sqrt{\frac{2}{\beta}} \mathcal{N}_1^{\mathbb{C}} \stackrel{\mathcal{L}}{=} \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} \alpha_j \bar{\alpha}_{j-1} .$$

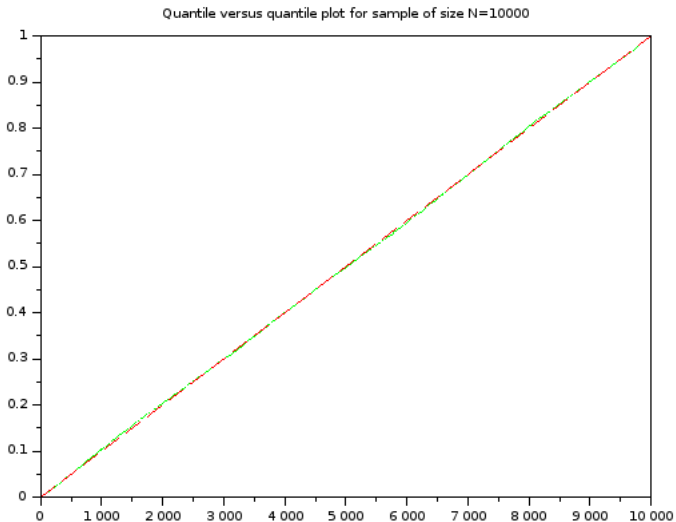
A puzzling identity in law (II)

“Numerical proof:” Histogram of $\Re\left(\sigma \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} \alpha_j \bar{\alpha}_{j-1}\right)$, $|\sigma| = 1$.



A puzzling identity in law (III)

“Numerical proof:”



Introduction

The main player of this talk will be the random Gaussian distribution on S^1 :

$$G(e^{i\theta}) := 2\Re \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{\mathcal{N}_k^{\mathbb{C}}}{\sqrt{k}} e^{ik\theta} .$$

Remark

Given the decay of Fourier coefficients, this is a Schwartz distribution in negative Sobolev spaces $\cap_{\varepsilon>0} H^{-\varepsilon}(S^1)$ where:

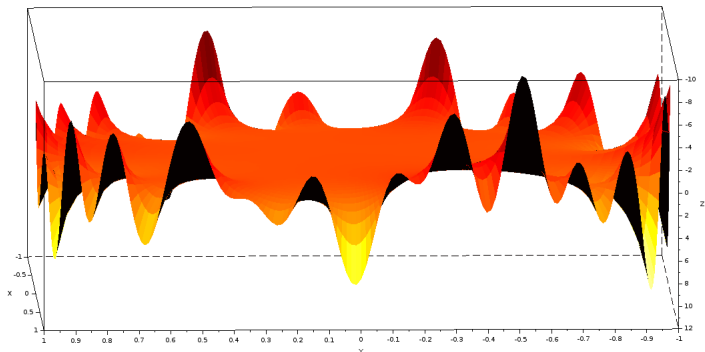
$$H^s(S^1) := \left\{ f \mid \sum_{k \in \mathbb{Z}} |k|^s |\widehat{f}(k)|^2 \right\} .$$

Harmonic extension of G

Consider the harmonic extension of G to the disc:

$$G(re^{i\theta}) := 2\Re \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{\mathcal{N}_k^{\mathbb{C}}}{\sqrt{k}} r^k e^{ik\theta} = P_r * G|_{S^1}(e^{i\theta}),$$

where P_r is the Poisson kernel.

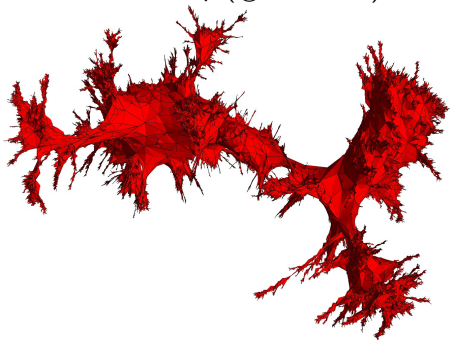


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Modern motivations: “Liouville Conformal Field Theory” in 2D

Brownian Map (© Bettinelli)



$$\text{Uniformization} \left(\begin{array}{c} \text{Sphere} \\ \rightsquigarrow \end{array} , GMC_{\gamma}(dz) \right)$$

for $\gamma = \sqrt{\frac{8}{3}}$.

(Theorem by Miller-Sheffield)

Message

The GMC_{γ} is the natural Riemannian measure on random surfaces which model LCFT.

But please, ask someone else to tell you about this... E.g. Rhodes-Vargas, Miller-Sheffield and/or their students.

Our construction: On the circle, in 1d

A natural object (for Kahane and the LCFT crowd) is:

$$GMC_r^\gamma(d\theta) := e^{\gamma G(re^{i\theta}) - \frac{1}{2} \text{Var}[G(re^{i\theta})]} \frac{d\theta}{2\pi} = e^{\gamma G(re^{i\theta})} (1 - r^2)^{\gamma^2} \frac{d\theta}{2\pi}.$$

We have:

Theorem (Kahane, Rhodes-Vargas, Berestycki)

Define for every $f : S^1 = \partial\mathbb{D} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}_+$, and $\gamma < 1$:

$$GMC_r^\gamma(f) := \int_0^{2\pi} f(e^{i\theta}) GMC_r^\gamma(d\theta).$$

Then the following convergence holds in $L^1(\Omega)$:

$$GMC_r^\gamma(f) \xrightarrow{r \rightarrow 1} GMC^\gamma(f).$$

The limiting measure GMC^γ is called Kahane's Gaussian Multiplicative Chaos.

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The model

- Consider the distribution of n points on the circle:

$$(C\beta E_n) \quad \frac{1}{Z_{n,\beta}} \prod_{1 \leq k < l \leq n} |e^{i\theta_k} - e^{i\theta_l}|^\beta d\theta = \frac{1}{Z_{n,\beta}} |\Delta(\theta)|^\beta d\theta$$

- For $\beta = 2$, one recognizes the Weyl integration formula for central functions on the compact group $U(n)$. Therefore, this nothing but the distribution of a Haar distributed matrix on the group $U(n)$. The study of this case is very rich in the representation theory of U_n (Bump-Gamburd, Borodin-Okounkov, ...)
- For general β , not as nice but still an integrable system: Jack polynomials in n variables are orthogonal for the $C\beta E_n$, Eigenvectors for the trigonometric Calogero-Sutherland system (n variables), "Higher" representation theory (Rational Cherednik algebras).
- The characteristic polynomial:

$$X_n(z) := \det(\text{id} - zU_n^*) = \prod_{1 \leq j \leq n} (1 - ze^{-i\theta_j})$$

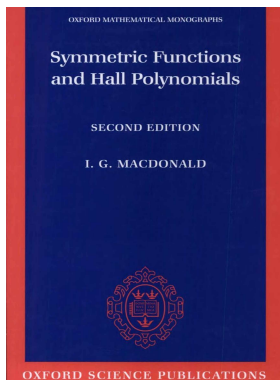
CBE as regularization of Gaussian Fock space

The $C\beta E_n$ is the regularization of a Gaussian space by n points at the level of symmetric functions. In fact:

$$\text{tr} (U_n^k) \xrightarrow{n \rightarrow \infty} \sqrt{\frac{2k}{\beta}} \mathcal{N}_k^{\mathbb{C}},$$

(Strong Szegö - $\beta = 2$, Diaconis-Shahshahani - $\beta = 2$, Matsumoto-Jiang)

Short proof: Open the bible of symmetric functions



CBE as regularization of Gaussian Fock space: Proof

- Power sum polynomials: $p_k := p_k(U_n) = \text{tr}(U_n^k)$ and $p_\lambda := \prod_i p_{\lambda_i}$.
- Scalar product for functions in n variables: $\langle f, g \rangle_n := \mathbb{E}_{C\beta E_n} \left(f(z_i) \overline{g(z_i)} \right)$.
- Fact 1: This scalar product approximates the Hall-Macdonald scalar product in infinitely many variables $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle_n \rightarrow \langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle$, where

$$\langle p_\lambda, p_\mu \rangle = z_\lambda \left(\frac{2}{\beta} \right)^{\ell(\lambda)} \delta_{\lambda, \mu} = \delta_{\lambda, \mu} \text{Cste}(\lambda).$$

- Fact 2: The Macdonald scalar product has a Gaussian space lurking behind as

$$\delta_{\lambda, \mu} \text{Cste}(\lambda) = \mathbb{E} \left(\prod_k \left(\sqrt{\frac{2k}{\beta}} \mathcal{N}_k^{\mathbb{C}} \right)^{m_k(\lambda)} \left(\sqrt{\frac{2k}{\beta}} \overline{\mathcal{N}_k^{\mathbb{C}}} \right)^{m_k(\mu)} \right),$$

where $m_k(\lambda)$ multiplicity of k in partition λ .

\rightsquigarrow the $C\beta E$ is the regularization of a Gaussian Fock space by restricting the symmetric functions to n variables.

Classical Gaussianity and log-correlation in RMT

Since:

$$\log X_n(z) = \sum_{k \geq 1} \frac{\text{tr}(U_n^k)}{k} z^k,$$

it is conceivable that:

Proposition (O'C-H-K for $\beta = 2$, C-N for $\beta > 0$)

We have the convergence *in law* to the *log-correlated field*:

$$(\log |X_n(z)|)_{z \in \mathbb{D}} \xrightarrow{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(\sqrt{\frac{2}{\beta}} G(z) \right)_{z \in \mathbb{D}}$$

- uniformly in $z \in K \subset \mathbb{D}$, K compact.
- for $z \in \partial\mathbb{D}$, in the Sobolev space $H^{-\varepsilon}(\partial\mathbb{D})$.

GMC from RMT: A convergence in law (I)

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Proposition (Nikula, Saksman and Webb (2018))

For $\beta = 2$ and for every $\alpha \in [0, 2)$, consider $X_n(z) = \det(I_n - zU_n^*)$ to be the characteristic polynomial of the CUE = C2E. Then the measure

$$\frac{|X_n(e^{i\theta})|^\alpha}{\mathbb{E} |X_n(e^{i\theta})|^\alpha} \frac{d\theta}{2\pi}$$

converges as $n \rightarrow \infty$ for the topology of weak convergence of measures on $\partial\mathbb{D}$, (*in law*), to $\text{GMC}^{\alpha/2}$.

GMC from RMT: A convergence in law (II)

A few remarks are in order:

- In fact, for $\beta = 2$, there is an **extremely fast** convergence of traces of Haar matrices to Gaussians. For f polynomial on the circle, we have:

$$(Johansson) \quad d_{TV} \left(\text{Tr } f(U_n), \sum_k c_k(f) \sqrt{k} \mathcal{N}_k^{\mathbb{C}} \right) \stackrel{n \rightarrow \infty}{\sim} C_f n^{-cn/\deg f} .$$

- Nikula, Saksman and Webb leverage the (notoriously technical) Riemann-Hilbert problem, which packages neatly this convergence for traces of high powers in order to compare to GMC.
- Probably hopeless for general β , where convergence to Gaussians is *known to be slower* and *finding a machinery that replaces the RH problem, while being just as precise, is an open question of its own*.

Message (Take home message)

Our statement $\text{GMC}^\gamma = \varprojlim_{\leftarrow} C\beta E_n$ is **non-asymptotic** and an **almost sure** equality for all $\beta > 0$ and $n \in \mathbb{N}$, via a non-trivial coupling. We are saying for $\gamma < 1$:

"GMC $^\gamma$ is the object whose finite n approximations are given by $C\beta E_n$'s."

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OPUC and Szegő recurrence

- OPUC : “Orthogonal Polynomials on the Unit Circle”
- Consider a probability measure μ on the circle and apply the Gram-Schmidt procedure:

$$\{1, z, z^2, \dots\} \rightsquigarrow \{\Phi_0(z), \Phi_1(z), \Phi_2(z), \dots\}$$

- Szegő recurrence:

$$\begin{cases} \Phi_{j+1}(z) &= z\Phi_j(z) - \bar{\alpha}_j\Phi_j^*(z) \\ \Phi_{j+1}^*(z) &= -\alpha_j z\Phi_j(z) + \Phi_j^*(z) . \end{cases}$$

Here:

$$\Phi_j^*(z) := z^j \overline{\Phi_j(1/\bar{z})}$$

is the polynomial with reversed and conjugated coefficients. The α_j 's are inside the unit disc, known as Verblunsky coefficients.

The work of Killip, Nenciu

Killip and Nenciu have discovered an explicit distribution for Verblunsky coefficients so that X_n , the characteristic polynomial of $C\beta E_n$, is a Φ_n^* !

Theorem (Killip, Nenciu)

- Let $(\alpha_j)_{j \geq 0}$, as before and η uniform on the circle.
- Let $(\Phi_j, \Phi_j^*)_{j \geq 0}$ be a sequence of OPUC obtained from the coefficients $(\alpha_j)_{j \geq 0}$ and the Szegő recurrence.

Then we have the equality in law *between random polynomials*:

$$X_n(z) = \Phi_{n-1}^*(z) - z\eta\Phi_{n-1}(z).$$

Proof.

Essentially computation of a Jacobian - *with two important subtleties!* □

IMPORTANT: Projective family. Notice the consistency. A priori, a realization of CBE_n has no reason to share the first Verblunsky coefficients with CBE_{n+1} .

A puzzling question

If a measure defines Verblunsky coefficients, the converse is also true:

Theorem (Verblunsky 1930)

Let $\mathcal{M}_1(\partial\mathbb{D})$ be the simplex of probability measures on the circle, endowed with the weak topology. The set $\mathbb{D}^{\mathbb{N}}$ is endowed with the topology of point-wise convergence. The Verblunsky map

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbb{V} : \mathcal{M}_1(\partial\mathbb{D}) &\rightarrow \mathbb{D}^{\mathbb{N}} \sqcup (\bigsqcup_{n \in \mathbb{N}} \mathbb{D}^n \times \partial\mathbb{D}) \\ \mu &\mapsto (\alpha_j(\mu); j \in \mathbb{N}) \end{aligned}$$

is an homeomorphism. Atomic measures with n atoms have n Verblunsky coefficients, the last one being of modulus one.

This begs the question:

Question

The Verblunsky coefficients are consistent. Since the obvious coupling respects the Verblunsky map, we define a limiting measure $\varprojlim CBE_n$, whose n -point approximation/projection is the CBE_n . What is this measure?

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Statement

Theorem (C-Najnudel, arXiv:1904.00578)

For $\gamma = \sqrt{\frac{2}{\beta}} \leq 1$, we have equality between

- the measure μ^β whose Verblunsky coefficients are the $(\alpha_n; n \in \mathbb{N})$ from $C\beta E$.
- Kahane's GMC_γ , renormalized into a probability measure.

$$\mu^\beta(d\theta) = \frac{1}{GMC^\gamma(\partial\mathbb{D})} GMC^\gamma(d\theta) .$$

↪ One can theoretically sample the GMC^γ . Then upon considering the best approximating measure on n points, the quadrature points are nothing but the RMT ensembles $C\beta E_n$.

↪ One could write a projective limit:

$$GMC^\gamma = C\beta E_\infty := \varprojlim_n C\beta E_n .$$

Ideas of proof

Finitely many Verblunsky coeff

Gaussian fields

- RMT regularization of Gaussians

$$\mu_{n,r}^\beta(d\theta) \propto \frac{1}{|\Phi_n^*(re^{i\theta})|^2} d\theta \xrightarrow{n \rightarrow \infty} \mu_r^\beta(d\theta) = \frac{e^{\omega_r(\theta)}}{C_0} GMC_r^\gamma(d\theta) \quad \text{Poisson kernel regularization}$$

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$$\mu_n^\beta(d\theta) = \frac{\prod_{j=0}^{n-1} (1 - |\alpha_j|^2)}{|\Phi_n^*(e^{i\theta})|^2} d\theta \xrightarrow{n \rightarrow \infty} \mu^\beta \setminus \frac{K_\beta}{C_0} GMC^{\gamma = \sqrt{\frac{2}{\beta}}} (d\theta) \quad \text{On the circle}$$

Bernstein-Szegö approx.

Difficult points:

- Filtrations by Gaussians and Verblunsky coefficients (\mathbb{F}) have bad overlap. Top $n \rightarrow \infty$ limit is built to be a martingale limit, with parameter r .
- Doob decomposition w.r.t \mathbb{F} : $\omega_r = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} (1 - r^2) \frac{Y_k^r}{k+1}$. Y has a non-trivial limiting SDE as $r \rightarrow 1$. SDE is ill-behaved at time 0.
- SDE = Crossing mechanism, which quickly forgets initial Verblunsky coefficients, thanks to non-trivial entrance law. Crucial for $r \rightarrow 1$ limit.

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- (Beyond Fyodoroff-Bouchaud) One can also describe all moments

$$c_k = \frac{1}{GMC^\gamma(\partial\mathbb{D})} \int_0^{2\pi} e^{ik\theta} GMC^\gamma(d\theta) .$$

via universal expressions in terms of the Verblunsky coefficients. For example:

$$\begin{cases} c_1 & = & \alpha_0 , \\ c_2 & = & \alpha_0^2 + \alpha_1(1 - |\alpha_0|^2) , \\ c_3 & = & (\alpha_0 - \alpha_1\bar{\alpha}_0)[\alpha_0^2 + \alpha_1(1 - |\alpha_0|^2)] \\ & & + \alpha_1\alpha_0 + \alpha_2(1 - |\alpha_0|^2)(1 - |\alpha_1|^2) . \end{cases}$$

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- Linking dynamics in RMT and dynamics in conformal growth: Hastings-Levitov (hint in work of Norris-Turner-Silvestri), Loewner-(Kufarev) Evolutions...

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