

# Infinitesimal Operators

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# limit distributions of random matrices

- $\{A_N\}_N$  is an ensemble of random matrices,  $\text{Tr} =$  un-normalized trace and  $\text{tr} = N^{-1}\text{Tr} =$  normalized trace
- for a polynomial  $p$ ,  $\mu_N(p) = \mathbb{E}(\text{tr}(p(A_N)))$
- if  $\mu_N$  converges pointwise on polynomials to  $\mu$ , we say the ensemble  $\{A_N\}_N$  has the *limit distribution*  $\mu$
- let  $\mu'_N = N(\mu_N - \mu)$ ,  $\mu'_N$  is linear on polynomials and  $\mu'_N(1) = 0$
- we say the pair  $(\mu_N, \mu'_N)$  is an *infinitesimal law* on  $\mathcal{A} = \mathbf{C}[t]$  (polynomials in  $t$ ) and the triple  $(\mathcal{A}, \mu_N, \mu'_N)$  is an *(infinitesimal probability space)*
- if  $\mu'_N$  converges pointwise to  $\mu'$  we have that  $(\mu, \mu')$  is an infinitesimal law on  $\mathcal{A}$  and we say that  $\{A_N\}_N$  has the *infinitesimal limit distribution*  $(\mu, \mu')$

## examples (Johansson (1998), Dumitriu & Edelman (2006))

- $G = (g_{ij})_{i,j=1}^N$  with  $\{g_{ij}\}_{i,j}$  real independent  $\mathcal{N}(0, 1)$
  - $A_N = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2N}}(G + G^t) = N \times N$  Gaussian Orthogonal Ensemble
  - it has the limit infinitesimal distribution  $(\mu, \mu')$  where  $\mu$  is Wigner's semi-circle law and  $\mu' = \frac{1}{2}(\nu_1 - \nu_2)$  is a signed measure with  $\nu_1 = \frac{1}{2}(\delta_{-2} + \delta_2)$  (Dirac masses at  $\pm 2$ ) and  $d\nu_2(t) = \frac{1}{\pi} \frac{1}{\sqrt{4-t^2}}$  (arcsine law on  $[-2, 2]$ )
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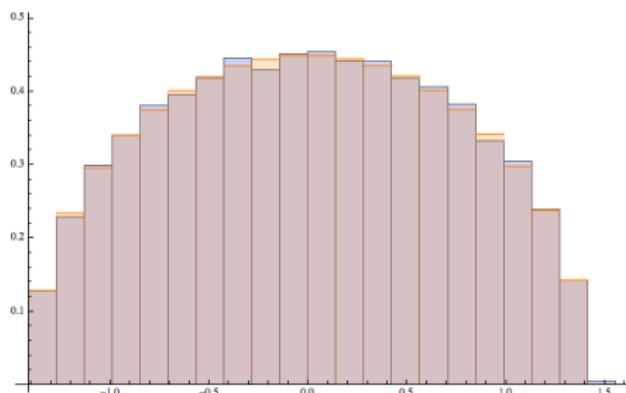
- $G = (g_{ij})_{\substack{i=1,\dots,N \\ j=1,\dots,M}}$  ( $N \times M$ ),  $\{g_{ij}\}_{i,j}$  real independent  $\mathcal{N}(0, 1)$
- $W_N = \frac{1}{N}GG^t$ ,  $N \times N$  real Wishart matrix
- if  $\frac{M}{N} \rightarrow c$  then  $\{W_N\}_N$  has the limit distribution  $\mu$  = the Marchenko-Pastur Law with parameter  $c$
- if  $N(\frac{M}{N} - c) \rightarrow c'$  then  $\{W_N\}_N$  has the infinitesimal limit distribution  $\mu' =$  with parameter  $c'$

# Infinitesimal Marchenko-Pastur (details)

- $\mu_c$  (where  $M/N \rightarrow c > 0$ )
- $a = (1 - \sqrt{c})^2$ , and  $b = (1 + \sqrt{2})^2$
- $d\mu_c(t) = (1 - c)\delta_0 + \frac{\sqrt{(b-t)(t-a)}}{2\pi t} dt$
- $\mu'_c = \frac{1}{2}(\nu_1 - \nu_2) - c'(\rho_1 - \rho_2)$
- $\nu_1 = \frac{1}{2}(\delta_a + \delta_b)$ ,  $d\nu_2(t) = \frac{dt}{\pi \sqrt{(b-t)(t-a)}}$  on  $[a, b]$
- $\rho_1 = \delta_0$  and  $\rho_2 = \frac{t+1-c}{2\pi t \sqrt{(b-t)(t-a)}}$  on  $[a, b]$
- $\rho_1$  is absent when  $c > 1$

# Finite Rank Ex. (Shlyakhtenko (2018), Collins, Hasebe, Sakuma (2018))

- $A$  a fixed finite matrix padded with 0 to  $N \times N$ .
- $\mu = \delta_0$  (because we normalize the trace)
- $\mu'(p) = \text{Tr}(p(A) - p(0))$
- if  $A$  is  $k \times k$  and normal, then  $\mu' = \delta_{\lambda_1} + \delta_{\lambda_2} + \dots + \delta_{\lambda_k} - k\delta_0$  where the eigenvalues of  $A$  are  $\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_k$



a figure from Shlyakhtenko (2018) showing a perturbed GUE with a spike of mass  $1/100$  at 0.4, orange shows predicted eigenvalue density using infinitesimal freeness

# Infinitesimal Freeness: Belinschi & Shylakhtenko (2012), Fevrier, Nica (2010), Tseng (2019)

- $\varphi' : \mathcal{A} \xrightarrow{\text{linear}} \mathbf{C}$ ,  $\varphi'(1) = 0$ ,  $(\mathcal{A}, \varphi, \varphi')$  infinitesimal probability space
- $\tilde{\mathcal{A}} = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} a & a' \\ 0 & a \end{bmatrix} \mid a, a' \in \mathcal{A} \right\}$ ,  $\tilde{\mathbf{C}} = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} \alpha & \alpha' \\ 0 & \alpha \end{bmatrix} \mid \alpha, \alpha' \in \mathbf{C} \right\}$ ,  
 $\tilde{\varphi} = \begin{bmatrix} \varphi & \varphi' \\ 0 & \varphi \end{bmatrix}$ ,  $\tilde{\varphi} : \tilde{\mathcal{A}} \rightarrow \tilde{\mathbf{C}}$
- $(\tilde{\mathcal{A}}, \tilde{\varphi})$  is an algebraic probability space
- $\mathcal{A}_1, \dots, \mathcal{A}_s \subseteq \mathcal{A}$  are infinitesimally free if  $\tilde{\mathcal{A}}_1, \dots, \tilde{\mathcal{A}}_s$  are  $\tilde{\varphi}$ -free
- $\mathcal{A}_1, \dots, \mathcal{A}_s \subseteq \mathcal{A}$  infinitesimally free  $\stackrel{\text{THM}}{\Leftrightarrow} \mathcal{A}_1, \dots, \mathcal{A}_s$   $\varphi$ -free **and** whenever:

- $a_1, \dots, a_n \in \mathcal{A}$  with  $\varphi(a_i) = 0$ ,  $1 \leq i \leq n$ , and
- $a_i \in \mathcal{A}_{j_i}$  with  $j_1 \neq j_2 \neq \dots \neq j_n$ ;

we have  $\varphi'(a_1 \cdots a_n) = \varphi(a_1 \cdots \varphi'(a_{\frac{n+1}{2}}) \cdots a_n)$  for  $n$  **odd**  
and 0 otherwise

# asymptotic freeness

- $\{A_N\}_N$  and  $\{B_N\}_N$  two random matrix ensembles with joint distribution  $\mu_N : \mathbf{C}\langle s, t \rangle \rightarrow \mathbf{C}$  are *asymptotically free* if  $\mu_N$  converges pointwise to a distribution for which  $\mathbf{C}\langle s \rangle$  and  $\mathbf{C}\langle t \rangle$  are free
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- independent GOE random matrices are asymptotically free but *not* asymptotically infinitesimally free (M. 2019)
- a unitarily invariant ensemble and a fixed finite rank matrix are asymptotically infinitesimally free  
(Shlyakhtenko (2018), Collins, Hasebe, Sakuma, (2018))

# infinitesimal operators

- $(\mathcal{A}, \varphi, \varphi')$  is an infinitesimal probability space
- $a \in \mathcal{A}$  is *infinitesimal* if  $\varphi(a^k) = 0$  for  $k = 1, 2, 3, \dots$
- the infinitesimal cumulants of infinitesimal operators are particularly simple
- in a  $C^*$ -probability space a self-adjoint infinitesimal will have spectral measure  $\delta_0$  (Dirac mass at 0) with respect to  $\varphi$
- if  $a$  and  $b$  are infinitesimally free and  $a$  is infinitesimal then  $ab$  is infinitesimal
- if  $a$  and  $b$  are infinitesimally free and both  $a$  and  $b$  are infinitesimal then  $a + b$  is infinitesimal

## free cumulants (Speicher)

$$\kappa_1(x_1) = \varphi(x_1),$$

$$G(z) = \varphi((z - X)^{-1})$$

$$\kappa_2(x_1, x_2) = \varphi(x_1 x_2) - \varphi(x_1)\varphi(x_2)$$

$$R(z) = G^{\langle -1 \rangle}(x) - z^{-1}$$

$$\kappa_{\sqcup \sqcup}(x_1, x_2, x_3) = \kappa_1(x_1) \kappa_2(x_2, x_3) \quad R(z) = \kappa_1 + \kappa_2 z + \kappa_3 z^2 + \dots$$

$$\varphi(x_1 x_2 x_3) = \kappa_{\sqcup \sqcup} + \kappa_{\sqcup \sqcup} + \kappa_{\sqcup \sqcup} + \kappa_{\sqcup \sqcup} + \kappa_{\sqcup \sqcup}$$

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$$\boxed{\varphi(x_1 \cdots x_n) = \sum_{\pi \in NC(n)} \kappa_\pi(x_1, \dots, x_n)}$$

where  $NC(n)$  is the set of non-crossing partitions of  $[n] = \{1, 2, \dots, n\}$

# infinitesimal cumulants, Fevrier & Nica (2010)

- $\varphi(x_1 \cdots x_n) = \sum_{\pi \in NC(n)} \kappa_\pi(x_1, \dots, x_n)$

- $\varphi'(x_1 \cdots x_n) = \sum_{\pi \in NC(n)} \partial \kappa_\pi(x_1, \dots, x_n)$

- where  $\partial \kappa_\pi(x_1 \cdots x_n)$   
 $= \sum_{V \in \pi} \kappa'_{|V|}(x_1, \dots, x_n | V) \prod_{W \neq V} \kappa_{|W|}(x_1, \dots, x_n | W)$
- where  $\partial \kappa_\pi$  is defined by the Leibniz rule, for example  
when  $\pi = \{(1, 3), (2), (4)\}$

$$\begin{aligned}\partial \kappa_\pi(x_1, x_2, x_3, x_4) &= \partial(\kappa_2(x_1, x_3) \kappa_1(x_2) \kappa_1(x_4)) \\ &= \kappa'_2(x_1, x_3) \kappa_1(x_2) \kappa_1(x_4) + \kappa_2(x_1, x_3) \kappa'_1(x_2) \kappa_1(x_4) \\ &\quad + \kappa_2(x_1, x_3) \kappa_1(x_2) \kappa'_1(x_4)\end{aligned}$$

## higher orders

Fix  $m \geq 1$ . For  $0 \leq k \leq m - 1$ , let  $\{\kappa_n^{(k)}\}_{n \geq 1}$  be an infinitesimal cumulant sequence of order  $m - 1$ . We are following the notation of calculus and writing  $\kappa_n^{(1)}$  for  $\kappa'_n$  and  $\kappa_n^{(2)}$  for  $\kappa''_n$ . In this notation  $\kappa_n^{(0)} = \kappa_n$ . We define a derivation,  $\partial$ , by setting  $\partial \kappa_n^{(k)} = \kappa_n^{(k+1)}$  for all  $k$  and  $n$  and extend to sums by linearity and to products by the Leibnitz rule. Then by the Leibnitz rule

$$(*) \quad \frac{\partial^i(\kappa_{l_1} \kappa_{l_2} \cdots \kappa_{l_k})}{i!} = \sum_{\substack{j_1, \dots, j_k \geq 0 \\ j_1 + j_2 + \cdots + j_k = i}} \frac{\kappa_{l_1}^{(j_1)}}{j_1!} \frac{\kappa_{l_2}^{(j_2)}}{j_2!} \cdots \frac{\kappa_{l_k}^{(j_k)}}{j_k!}.$$

Given a partition  $\pi \in \mathcal{P}(n)$  with blocks  $\{V_1, \dots, V_k\}$  of size  $l_1, \dots, l_k$  respectively, we set, as usual,  $\kappa_\pi = \kappa_{l_1} \cdots \kappa_{l_k}$ . By the Leibnitz rule we have

$$\partial \kappa_\pi = \kappa'_{l_1} \kappa_{l_2} \cdots \kappa_{l_k} + \kappa_{l_1} \kappa'_{l_2} \cdots \kappa_{l_k} + \cdots + \kappa_{l_1} \kappa_{l_2} \cdots \kappa'_{l_k}.$$

Let us define a  $m \times m$  upper triangular matrix  $K_n$  by

$$K_n = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{\kappa_n^{(0)}}{0!} & \frac{\kappa_n^{(1)}}{1!} & \cdots & \frac{\kappa_n^{(m-1)}}{(m-1)!} \\ 0 & \frac{\kappa_n^{(0)}}{0!} & \cdots & \frac{\kappa_n^{(m-2)}}{(m-2)!} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & \cdots & \frac{\kappa_n^{(0)}}{0!} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \kappa_n & \frac{\partial^1 \kappa_n}{1!} & \cdots & \frac{\partial^{m-1} \kappa_n}{(m-1)!} \\ 0 & \kappa_n & \cdots & \frac{\partial^{m-2} \kappa_n}{(m-2)!} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & \cdots & \kappa_n \end{bmatrix}.$$

We extend this to partitions in the usual way and set

$K_\pi = K_{l_1} \cdots K_{l_k}$ . Note that the matrices  $K_{l_1}, \dots, K_{l_k}$  commute so the order of the blocks does not matter, and thus the extension is well defined. Then by (\*) we have

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$$K_\pi = \begin{bmatrix} \kappa_\pi & \frac{\partial^1 \kappa_\pi}{1!} & \cdots & \frac{\partial^{m-1} \kappa_\pi}{(m-1)!} \\ 0 & \kappa_\pi & \cdots & \frac{\partial^{m-2} \kappa_\pi}{(m-2)!} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & \cdots & \kappa_\pi \end{bmatrix}.$$

For  $0 \leq k \leq m-1$ , let  $\{m_n^{(k)}\}_{n \geq 1}$  be an infinitesimal moment sequence of order  $m-1$ , using the same convention as with cumulants. We let

$$M_n = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{m_n^{(0)}}{0!} & \frac{m_n^{(1)}}{1!} & \cdots & \frac{m_n^{(m-1)}}{(m-1)!} \\ 0 & \frac{m_n^{(0)}}{0!} & \cdots & \frac{m_n^{(m-2)}}{(m-2)!} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & \cdots & \frac{m_n^{(0)}}{0!} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} m_n & \frac{\partial^1 m_n}{1!} & \cdots & \frac{\partial^{m-1} m_n}{(m-1)!} \\ 0 & m_n & \cdots & \frac{\partial^{m-2} m_n}{(m-2)!} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & \cdots & m_n \end{bmatrix}.$$

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For  $z_0, \dots, z_{m-1} \in \mathbf{C}$ , let

$$Z = \begin{bmatrix} z_0 & z_1 & \cdots & z_{m-1} \\ 0 & z_0 & \cdots & z_{m-2} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & \cdots & z_0 \end{bmatrix},$$

$$G(Z) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} M_n Z^{-(n+1)} \text{ and } R(Z) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} K_n Z^{n-1}.$$

Then

$$G(Z)^{-1} + R(G(Z)) = Z = G(Z^{-1} + R(Z)).$$

- when  $m = 2$  we have  $Z = \begin{bmatrix} z_0 & z_1 \\ 0 & z_0 \end{bmatrix}$
- $G(Z) = \begin{bmatrix} G(z_0) & G'(z_0)z_1 + g(z_0) \\ 0 & G(z_0) \end{bmatrix}$  where  $g(z_0) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{m'_n}{z_0^{n+1}}$
- $R(Z) = \begin{bmatrix} R(z_0) & R'(z_0)z_1 + r(z_0) \\ 0 & R(z_0) \end{bmatrix}$  where  $r(z_0) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \kappa'_n z_0^{n-1}$
- $G(Z)^{-1} + R(G(Z)) = Z \Rightarrow g(z) = -r(G(z)) G'(z)$
- if  $\varphi(x^n) = 0$  for  $n \geq 1$  (i.e.  $x$  is infinitesimal) then  
 $G(z) = z^{-1}$  and  

$$z^{-1}g(z^{-1}) = zr(z)$$
- in particular  $m'_n = \kappa'_n$  for  $n \geq 1$

## commutators and anti-commutators

- $(\mathcal{A}, \varphi)$  algebraic probability space,  $x_1, x_2 \in \mathcal{A}$  freely independent
- $q = i(x_1x_2 - x_2x_1)$  is the *commutator* of  $x_1$  and  $x_2$
- $p = x_1x_2 + x_2x_1$  the *anti-commutator* of  $x_1$  and  $x_2$
- Nica & Speicher found the distribution of  $p$  and  $q$  in terms of  $x_1$  and  $x_2$ , many subsequent investigations: Daniel Perales and Jacob Campbell
- Collins, Hasebe, Sakuma (2018) considered the spectrum of  $P_N = B_N A_N + A_N B_N$  and  $Q_N = i(B_N A_N - A_N B_N)$  with  $B_N$  a unitarily invariant ensemble and  $A_N$  trace class operators,  
 $P_N \xrightarrow{\mathcal{D}} p$  and  $Q_N \xrightarrow{\mathcal{D}} q$
- generalization:  $(\mathcal{A}, \varphi, \varphi')$  infinitesimal probability space,  $x_1, x_2 \in \mathcal{A}$  infinitesimally freely independent,  $x_2$  infinitesimal
- find the distribution of  $p$  and  $q$

## main results (M. & Tseng)

- $(\mathcal{A}, \varphi, \varphi')$  infinitesimal probability space,  $x_1, x_2 \in \mathcal{A}$  infinitesimally freely independent,  $x_2$  **infinitesimal**
- $q = i(x_1 x_2 - x_2 x_1)$

THM.  $\kappa'_n(q) = \kappa'_n(\omega x_2) + \kappa'_n(-\omega x_2)$  for  $n$  even and 0 otherwise,  
where  $\omega = \sqrt{\kappa_2(x_1)}$

THM.  $q \stackrel{\mathcal{D}}{\sim} \omega x_2 \boxplus_B -\omega x_2$  (this means that  $q$  has the same distribution as the free additive infinitesimal convolution of two operators each of which is a scaled version of  $x_2$ )

- $p = x_1 x_2 + x_2 x_1$

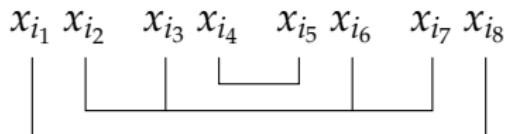
THM.  $\kappa'_n(p) = \kappa'_n(\alpha x_2) + \kappa'_n(\beta x_2)$  where  $\alpha = \varphi(x_1) + \sqrt{\varphi(x_1^2)}$  and  
 $\beta = \varphi(x_1) - \sqrt{\varphi(x_1^2)}$  and  $\pm \sqrt{\varphi(x_1^2)}$  are the two square roots of  $\varphi(x_1^2)$

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# moment calculations

$$\varphi'(x_{i_1} x_{i_2} x_{i_3} x_{i_4} x_{i_5} x_{i_6} x_{i_7} x_{i_8}) = \sum_{\pi \in NC(8)} \partial \kappa_\pi(x_{i_1}, x_{i_2}, x_{i_3}, x_{i_4}, x_{i_5}, x_{i_6}, x_{i_7}, x_{i_8})$$

- for each  $l$  the pair  $\{x_{2l-1}, x_{2l}\}$  contains one  $x_1$  and one  $x_2$
- by vanishing of mixed cumulants, no block can connect an  $x_1$  to an  $x_2$
- by infinitesimality of  $x_2$ , only one  $x_2$ -block



$$\pi = \{\{1, 8\}, \{2, 3, 6, 7\}, \{4, 5\}\},$$

$$i_1 = i_4 = i_5 = i_8 = 1, \quad i_2 = i_3 = i_6 = i_7 = 2$$

$$\partial \kappa_\pi(x_{i_1}, x_{i_2}, x_{i_3}, x_{i_4}, x_{i_5}, x_{i_6}, x_{i_7}, x_{i_8}) = \kappa_2(x_1)^2 \kappa'_4(x_2)$$

# operator valued cumulants

- $a_1, \dots, a_n, b_1, \dots, b_n \in (\mathcal{A}, \varphi, \varphi')$
- $\{a_1, \dots, a_n\}$  infinitesimally free from  $\{b_1, \dots, b_n\}$
- $a_1, \dots, a_n$  infinitesimal operators
- $x = b_1 a_1 b_1^* + \dots + b_n a_n b_n^*$   
$$\begin{bmatrix} a_1 & \cdots & 0 \\ \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & \cdots & a_n \end{bmatrix}$$
- $X = \sqrt{B}A\sqrt{B}$

THM.  $\varphi'(x^m) = \text{Tr}(K'_m(AB, AB, \dots, AB)) = \text{Tr}(K'_m(X, X, \dots, X)) = \text{Tr} \otimes \varphi'(X^m)$

- $K'_n$  is the  $n^{th}$  infinitesimal cumulant with values in  $M_n(\mathbf{C})$

# an infinitesimal manifesto

- Borot, Charbonnier, Garcia-Failde, Leid, and Shadrin (2022) found a connection between topological recursion and higher order freeness
- in this model infinitesimal freeness corresponds to genus  $\frac{1}{2}$  (i.e. planar but not orientable)
- independent GUE random matrices are asymptotically free (Voiculescu, 1991) and have trivial infinitesimal laws , and thus are asymptotically infinitesimally free
- Fevrier (2012) defined higher order freeness (think  $3 \times 3$  matrices), but independent GUEs are not asymptotically second order infinitesimally free (Harer, Zagier 1986)
- independent GOE random matrices are not asymptotically infinitesimally free, **but** there is a universal rule (M. 2019)

## a connection to Boolean independence

- $(\mathcal{A}, \varphi, \varphi')$  an infinitesimal probability space,  $j \in \mathcal{A}$  is infinitesimal and idempotent, and  $\varphi'(j) \neq 0$
- $\mathcal{A}_1, \dots, \mathcal{A}_s \subseteq \mathcal{A}$ , unital subalgebras with  $\{\mathcal{A}_1, \dots, \mathcal{A}_s\}$  infinitesimally free from  $j$
- define  $\psi : \mathcal{A} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$  by  $\psi(a) = \varphi'(aj)/\varphi'(j)$ .
- for  $a \in \mathcal{A}_i$  we have  $\varphi'(aj) = \partial \kappa_\pi(a, j)$  with  $\pi = \{\{1\}, \{2\}\}$ , so  $\varphi'(aj) = \varphi'(a)\varphi(j) + \varphi(a)\varphi'(j) = \varphi(a)\varphi'(j)$ . Thus on  $\mathcal{A}_i$  we have  $\psi = \varphi$
- $\mathcal{J}(\mathcal{A}_k) = \text{alg}\{j^{(\epsilon_1)}a_1j^{(\epsilon_2)} \dots j^{(\epsilon_{n-1})}a_{n-1}j^{(\epsilon_n)} \mid a_1, \dots, a_{n-1} \in \mathcal{A}_k\}$  where  $j^{(1)} = 1 - j$  and  $j^{(-1)} = j$
- $\mathcal{J}_a(\mathcal{A}_k)$  is the sub-algebra generated by the same words as above but we require that the  $\epsilon$ 's alternate in sign
- If  $\{\mathcal{A}_1, \dots, \mathcal{A}_s\}$  infinitesimally free from  $j$ , then the subalgebras  $j\mathcal{J}(\mathcal{A}_1)j, \dots, j\mathcal{J}(\mathcal{A}_s)j$  are Boolean independent
- If  $\{\mathcal{A}_1, \dots, \mathcal{A}_s\}$  infinitesimally free from  $j$ , and  $\varphi$ -free amongst themselves, then the subalgebras  $\mathcal{J}_a(\mathcal{A}_1), \dots, \mathcal{J}_a(\mathcal{A}_s)$  are Boolean independent

# key relation

- recall  $j^{(1)} = 1 - j$  and  $j^{(-1)} = j$
- given  $\epsilon_2, \dots, \epsilon_k \in \{-1, 1\}$  we let  $\sigma_\epsilon \in \mathcal{P}(n)$  be the interval partition (i.e. all blocks are intervals) where we start a new block at  $l$  whenever  $\epsilon_l = -1$ , here we assume that  $k < n$ .
- For example, suppose  $n = 9$  and  $k = 6$  and  $\epsilon_2 = -1, \epsilon_3 = 1, \epsilon_4 = 1, \epsilon_5 = -1, \epsilon_6 = -1$ ; then  $\sigma_\epsilon = \{(1), (2, 3, 4), (5), (6, 7, 8, 9)\}$ .
- Given two strings  $(\epsilon_2, \dots, \epsilon_n)$  and  $(\eta_2, \eta_3, \dots, \eta_n)$  in  $\{-1, 1\}^{n-1}$ , we say that  $\epsilon \leqslant \eta$  if  $\epsilon_k \leqslant \eta_k$  for  $k = 2, \dots, n$ . Then  $\epsilon \leqslant \eta \Leftrightarrow \sigma_\epsilon \leqslant \sigma_\eta$ . In addition  $\sigma_{-\epsilon} = \sigma_{B(\sigma_\epsilon)}$  where  $B(\sigma)$  is the Boolean complement of  $\sigma$ , namely the smallest  $\pi \in I(n)$  such that  $\pi \vee \sigma = 1_n$ .
- ▶  $\psi(ja_1j^{(\epsilon_2)} \cdots j^{(\epsilon_n)}a_nj) = \psi(ja_1j^{(\epsilon_2)} \cdots j^{(\epsilon_n)}a_n) = \beta_{\sigma_\epsilon}(a_1, \dots, a_n)$  where  $\beta_{\sigma_\epsilon}$  is the Boolean cumulant corresponding to the interval partition  $\sigma_\epsilon$ .

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