

# Variational Loop Vertex Expansion for Cumulants

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- Furthermore the real symmetric matrix  $X_{ij}^{\mathcal{F}}(w_{\mathcal{F}})]$  (completed by 1 on the diagonal  $i = j$ ) is **positive**.

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- **Mayer expansion**: define  $H_i = -\lambda \int_0^1 dt \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} x^4 e^{-\lambda t x^4 - x^2/2} \frac{dx}{\sqrt{2\pi}} = H \forall i$ ,  $\epsilon_{ij} = 0 \forall i, j$  and write

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To prove this, let us define  $\eta_{ij} = -1$ ,  $\epsilon_{ij} = 1 + \eta_{ij} = 1 + x_{ij}\eta_{ij}|_{x_{ij}=1}$  and apply the forest formula.

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- However the link with Feynman graphs is somewhat lost, and furthermore it may be not optimal for curved or random space-time geometries.



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Intermediate field representation

$$\begin{aligned}
 F &= \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} e^{-\lambda x^4 - x^2/2} \frac{dx}{\sqrt{2\pi}} = \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} e^{-i\sqrt{2\lambda}\sigma x^2 - x^2/2 - \sigma^2/2} \frac{dx}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \frac{d\sigma}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \\
 &= \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} e^{-\frac{1}{2} \log[1+2i\sqrt{2\lambda}\sigma] - \sigma^2/2} \frac{d\sigma}{\sqrt{2\pi}} = \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{V^n}{n!} d\mu(\sigma)
 \end{aligned}$$

Let us apply the forest formula, but using "**replicas**" of the intermediate field:

$$V^n(\sigma) \rightarrow \prod_{i=1}^n V_i(\sigma_i), \quad d\mu(\sigma) \rightarrow d\mu_C(\{\sigma_i\}),$$

$C_{ij} = \mathbf{1}_n = x_{ij}|_{x_{ij}=1}$ , where  $\mathbf{1}_n$  is the  $n \times n$  matrix with entries one everywhere.

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$$F = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n!} \sum_{\mathcal{F}} \left\{ \prod_{\ell \in \mathcal{F}} \left[ \int_0^1 dw_{\ell} \right] \right\} \int \left\{ \prod_{\ell \in \mathcal{F}} \frac{\partial}{\partial \sigma_{i(\ell)}} \frac{\partial}{\partial \sigma_{j(\ell)}} \prod_{i=1}^n v(\sigma_i) \right\} d\mu_{C^{\mathcal{F}}}$$

where  $C_{ij}^{\mathcal{F}} = x_{\ell}^{\mathcal{F}}(\{w\})$  if  $i < j$ ,  $C_{ii}^{\mathcal{F}} = 1$ .

$$G = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n!} \sum_{\mathcal{T}} \left\{ \prod_{\ell \in \mathcal{T}} \left[ \int_0^1 dw_{\ell} \right] \right\} \int \left\{ \prod_{\ell \in \mathcal{T}} \frac{\partial}{\partial \sigma_{i(\ell)}} \frac{\partial}{\partial \sigma_{j(\ell)}} \prod_{i=1}^n v(\sigma_i) \right\} d\mu_{C^{\mathcal{T}}}$$

where the second sum runs over **trees** !

Link with Feynman graphs can be recovered, and the conclusion is that the LVE should be better adapted for general background geometries, such as curved geometries, random geometries...  $\rightarrow$  in short, **to quantum gravity**.

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- They *prove* that any ordinary cumulant is an analytic function inside a cardioid domain in the complex plane. They prove also that any cumulant is Borel summable at the origin.

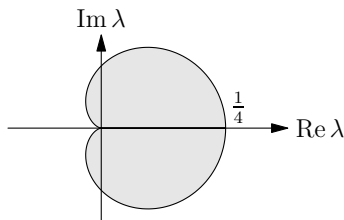


Figure: Analyticity domain in the complex  $\lambda$  plane

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For **scalar cumulants** regarded as functions of  $\lambda$  with  $N$  considered as a parameter, the domain of analyticity is reduced by a factor  $1/4$ :

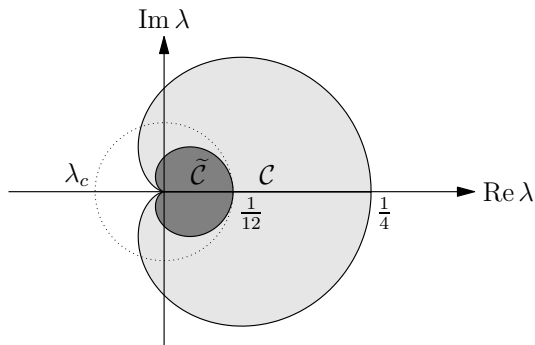


Figure: Analyticity domain of the topological expansion

Their work is essential piece for those seriously interested in the subject of cumulants, even up to today. Presently I work in their footsteps.

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- Fuss-Catalan functions of order  $p$  also govern the leading term in the  $N \rightarrow \infty$  limit of **random tensor models of rank  $p$**  [Bonzom et al, 2011].

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- The key notion is to use the Fuss-Catalan function  $T_p$  defined to be the solution analytic at the origin of the algebraic equation

$$zT_p^p(z) - T_p(z) + 1 = 0.$$

For any square matrix  $X$  we define the matrix-valued function

$$A(\lambda, X) := XT_p(-\lambda X^{p-1})$$

and also an  $N_l$  by  $N_l$  square matrix  $X_l$  and an  $N_r$  by  $N_r$  square matrix  $X_r$  through

$$X_l := MM^\dagger, \quad X_r := M^\dagger M.$$

# A lemma of [Krajewski-R.-Sazonov,2019]

## Lemma

*In the sense of formal power series in  $\lambda$*

$$Z(\lambda, N_l, N_r) = \int dM dM^\dagger \exp\{-N_r \text{Tr}_l X_l + \mathcal{S}(X_l, X_r)\}$$

*where  $\mathcal{S}$ , the loop vertex action is*

$$\mathcal{S}(X_l, X_r) = -\text{Tr}_{lr} \log \left[ \mathbf{1}_{lr} + \lambda \sum_{k=0}^{p-1} A^k(X_l) \otimes_{lr} A^{p-1-k}(X_r) \right].$$

*The  $N_l$  by  $N_l$  matrix  $A^k(X_l)$  acts on the left index of  $\mathcal{H}_{lr}$  and the  $N_r$  by  $N_r$  matrix  $A^{p-1-k}(X_r)$  acts on the right index of  $\mathcal{H}_{lr}$ , where  $\mathcal{H}_l$  is the Hilbert space with  $\dim \mathcal{H}_l = N_l$  and  $\mathcal{H}_r$  is the Hilbert space with  $\dim \mathcal{H}_r = N_r$ .*

This Lemma is proved by a change of variables  $M \rightarrow P$  and we define  $P(M)$  (up to unitary conjugation) through the implicit function formal power series equation:

$$Y_l := PP^\dagger, \quad Y_r := P^\dagger P, \quad X_l := A(Y_l), \quad X_r := A(Y_r).$$



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*For any  $\epsilon > 0$  there exists  $\eta$  small enough such that the expansion defined by  $F(\lambda, N) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n!} \sum_{\mathcal{T} \in \mathfrak{T}_n} A_{\mathcal{T}}$  is absolutely convergent and defines an analytic function of  $\lambda$ , uniformly bounded in  $N$ , in the “pacman domain”*

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*a domain which is uniform in  $N$ . Here absolutely convergent and uniformly bounded in  $N$  means that for fixed  $\epsilon$  and  $\eta$  as above there exists a constant  $K$  independent of  $N$  such that for  $\lambda \in P(\epsilon, \eta)$*

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*where  $\mathcal{T}$  is a LVR tree,  $A_{\mathcal{T}}$  is the corresponding amplitude and  $\mathfrak{T}_n$  is the set of LVR trees with  $n$  vertices.*

But it applies only to the simplest matrix with interaction  $\lambda(\bar{M}M)^p$ . We thought that to deduce the case of Hermitian or symmetric matrices would be relatively easy. In fact, it took us two years to understand and write down the corresponding article!

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- For the Hermitian case it uses the one-to-one change of variables (not singular for  $\lambda$  real positive)

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## In the more distant future

For the more distant future I want to concentrate in hard problems and to do a list of some seven or eight **unsolved problems** in constructive field theory or constructive condensed matter...

Thanks for your attention!