

Melonic large N limit of 5-index irreducible random tensors

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History of random tensors

- First introduced in zero dimension: random geometry and quantum gravity [Ambjorn Durhuus Jonsson '90, Boulatov '92, Ooguri '92, ...]
- Strongly coupled QFTs and holography ($d = 1$): SYK model without disorder [Witten, Klebanov, Tarnopolsky, ...]
- Tensor models in higher dimension: new class of conformal field theories \rightarrow melonic CFTs



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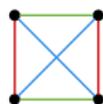
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- Multi matrix models with a large number of matrices [Ferrari, Schaposnik Massolo, Valette ...], different symmetry groups

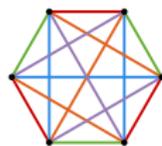
Colored $O(N)$ models

$T_{a_1 a_2 \dots a_r}$ in fundamental representation of $O(N) \times O(N) \times \dots \times O(N)$

- Propagator: $P_{a_1 a_2 \dots a_r, b_1 b_2 \dots b_r} = \delta_{a_1 b_1} \delta_{a_2 b_2} \dots \delta_{a_r b_r}$
- Interaction: complete graph K_{r+1}



K_4



K_6

Theorem

A melonic large N limit exists for prime r . [Ferrari, Rivasseau, Valette '17](#)

Irreducible tensor models

- What about other tensor representations?
 - Completely symmetric tensors: no melonic large N limit
 - Irreducible tensors:
 - Propagator: orthogonal projector on an irreducible representation of $O(N)$
 - Interaction: Complete graph invariant
- Do these models admit a large N expansion?
 - Is it melonic?

Conjecture:

For $r = 3$, there exists a melonic large N limit for $O(N)$ symmetric traceless tensors. [Klebanov, Tarnopolsky '17]

- Evidence: Explicit numerical check for all diagrams up to order λ^8
- Proof and generalizations:
 - $O(N)$ irreducible, $r = 3$ [Benedetti, Carrozza, Gurau, Kolanowski]
 - $Sp(N)$ irreducible, $r = 3$ [Carrozza, Pozsgay]
- Generalization for $r > 3$?
 - \Rightarrow Here for 5 indices

- 1 The model
- 2 Perturbative expansion
- 3 Sketch of the proof

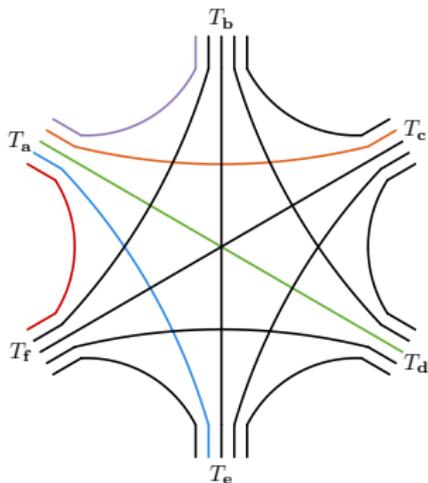
The model

Free energy:

$$F_{\mathbf{P}}(\lambda) = \frac{6}{N^5} \lambda \partial_\lambda \ln \left\{ \left[e^{\frac{1}{2} \partial_T \mathbf{P} \partial_T} e^{\frac{\lambda}{6N^5} \delta_{abcdef}^h T_a T_b T_c T_d T_e T_f} \right]_{T=0} \right\}$$

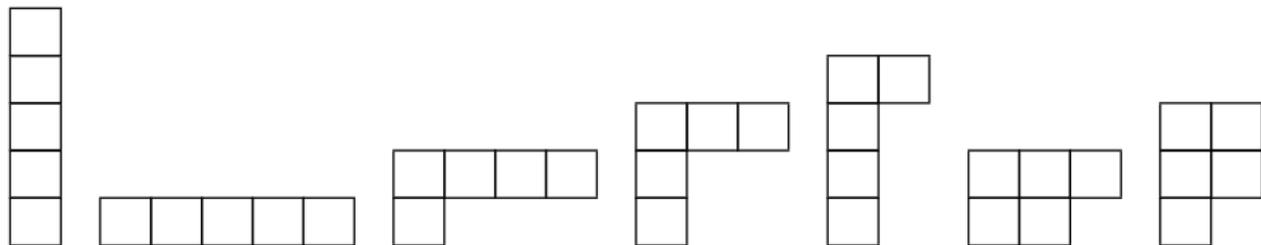
- \mathbf{P} one of seven orthogonal projectors on irreducible representations
- Interaction vertex

$$T_{a_1 a_2 a_3 a_4 a_5} T_{a_5 b_2 b_3 b_4 b_5} T_{b_5 a_4 c_3 c_4 c_5} T_{c_5 b_4 a_3 d_4 d_5} T_{d_5 c_4 b_3 a_2 e_5} T_{e_5 d_4 c_3 b_2 a_1}$$



Propagator

P: orthogonal projector on one of the irreducible tensor spaces



For traceless symmetric tensors:

$$\mathbf{s}_{a,b} = \frac{1}{5!} \left[\sum_{\sigma \in \mathcal{S}_5} \prod_{i=1}^5 \delta_{a_i b_{\sigma(i)}} - \frac{2}{N+6} \sum_{\substack{\{i_1, i_2, i_3\} \cup \{i_4, i_5\} \\ = [1,5]}} \sum_{\substack{\{j_1, j_2, j_3\} \cup \{j_4, j_5\} \\ = [1,5]}} \delta_{a_{i_4} a_{i_5}} \delta_{b_{j_4} b_{j_5}} \sum_{\sigma \in \mathcal{S}_3} \prod_{k=1}^3 \delta_{a_{i_k} b_{j_{\sigma(k)}}} \right. \\
 \left. + \frac{2}{(N+4)(N+6)} \sum_{\substack{\{i_1\} \cup \{i_2, i_3\} \cup \{i_4, i_5\} \\ = [1,5]}} \sum_{\substack{\{j_1\} \cup \{j_2, j_3\} \cup \{j_4, j_5\} \\ = [1,5]}} \delta_{a_{i_1} b_{j_1}} \delta_{a_{i_2} a_{i_3}} \delta_{a_{i_4} a_{i_5}} \delta_{b_{j_2} b_{j_3}} \delta_{b_{j_4} b_{j_5}} \right]$$

Types of edges

- Unbroken: all strands traverse



- Broken: a pair of corners is connected by a strand at each end of the edge. Rescaled by $1/N$

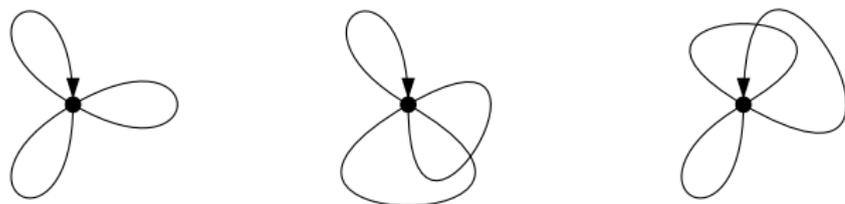


- Doubly broken: two pairs of corners are connected by a strand at each end of the edge. Rescaled by $1/N^2$



Perturbative expansion

- $F_{\mathcal{P}}(\lambda)$: sum over rooted connected combinatorial maps \mathcal{G}



- Half-edge: represented with five strands
- 945 ways to connect two half-edges
- Projector: combination of those terms with different weights and signs
- Stranded map G : combinatorial map with a choice of one term per edge

$$F_{\mathcal{P}}(\lambda) = \sum_{G \text{ connected, rooted}} \lambda^{V(G)} \mathcal{A}(G)$$

1/N expansion

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Goals:

- Non-negative degree
- Maps of zero degree are melonic

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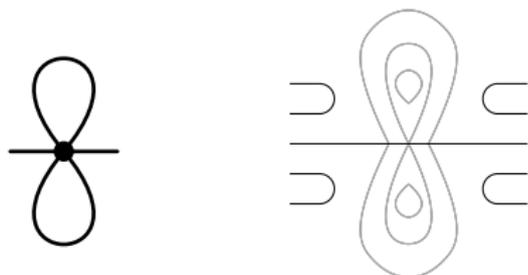
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→ Can be negative iff faces of length $p = 1$ or $p = 2$ (short-faces):

- $p = 1$: Tadpoles, double-tadpoles
- $p = 2$: Melons, dipoles
- Graphs with only long faces: positive degree

Bad double tadpoles



Chain of p double tadpoles:

- 4 faces per vertex
- Factor N^{-5} per vertex
- 2 faces when we glue two double-tadpoles

$$\left(\frac{1}{N}\right)^p N^{2p-1} = N^{p-1}$$

Unbounded from above

→ non-trivial cancellations

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- Problem: generalized double-tadpoles \rightarrow arbitrarily negative degree
- Need to subtract both melons and double-tadpoles

Theorem

We have (in the sense of perturbation series):

$$F_{\mathbf{P}}(\lambda) = \sum_{\omega \in \mathbb{N}} N^{-\omega} F_{\mathbf{P}}^{(\omega)}(\lambda).$$

- Subtract double-tadpoles and melons
- Restrict to unbroken edges
- Induction: remaining graphs have positive degree

Step 1: Subtraction of double-tadpoles and melons

At the combinatorial map level:

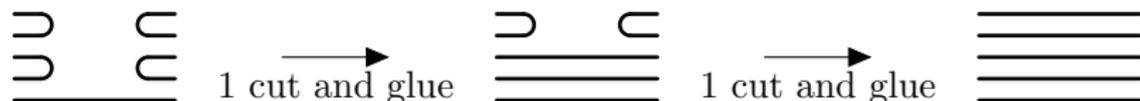
$$\text{Double-tadpole} = \mathcal{O}\left(\frac{1}{N}\right) \text{---} \quad \text{Melon} = \mathcal{O}(1) \text{---}$$

⇒ Crucial role of the **irreducibility assumption**

- Rewrite out theory with modified covariance and subtracted interaction
- New perturbative expansion in terms of maps \mathcal{G} with no double-tadpoles or melons

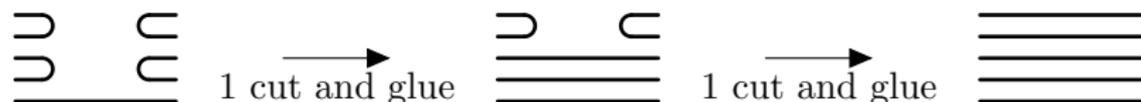
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Remove broken edge:

- decrease the number of faces by at most one
- decrease the number of broken edges by one
- the degree can only decrease

Step 3: Remaining graphs

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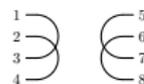
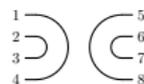
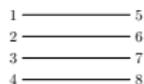
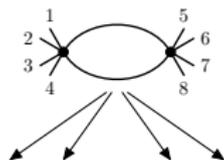
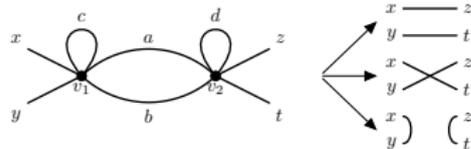
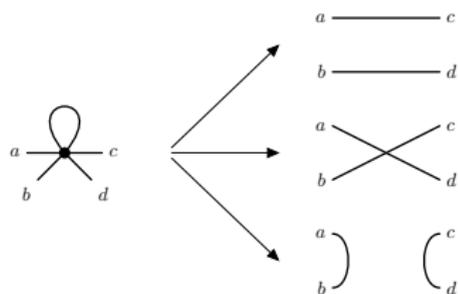
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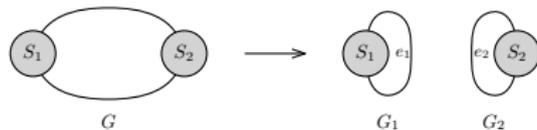
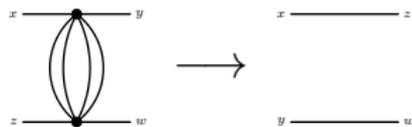
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- Look for a strict subgraph that can be deleted without increasing the degree and preserving the constraints
- Exhaustive graph-theoretic distinction of cases
- High number of particular two-point subgraphs to consider

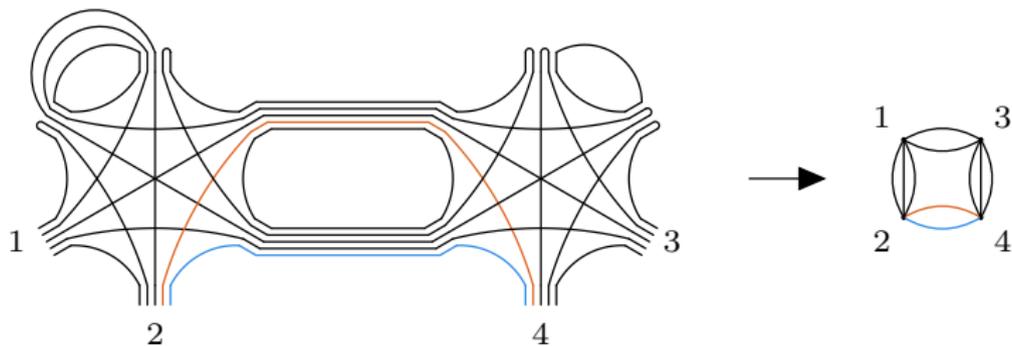
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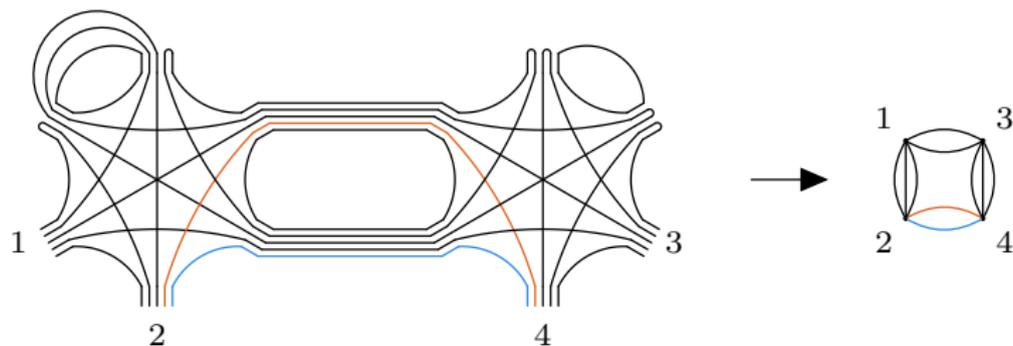
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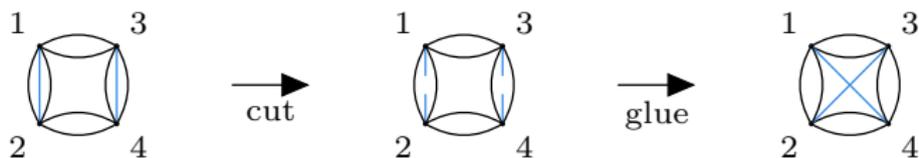
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- Recursive bounds on $\omega \leftrightarrow$ bounds on flip distance between boundary graphs

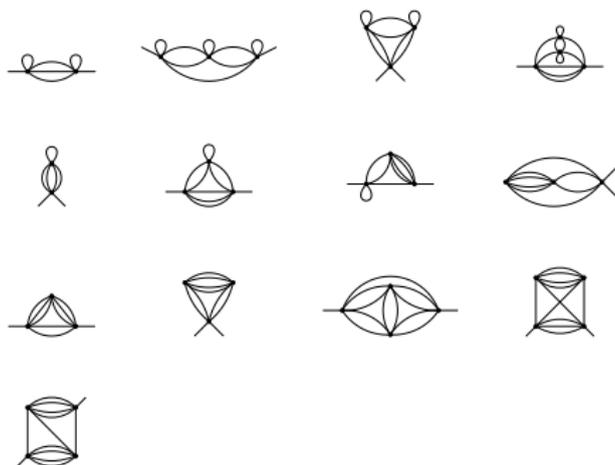


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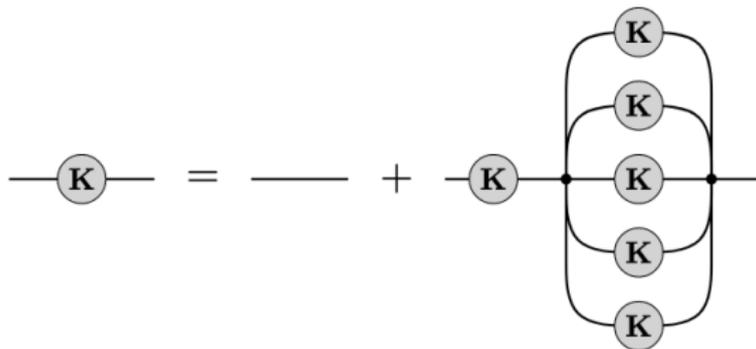
- Bounds on combinatorial maps through Cauchy-Schwarz inequalities

$$\mathcal{A} \left(\text{diagram with one vertex } s \right)^2 \leq \mathcal{A} \left(\text{diagram with two vertices } s \right) \mathcal{A} \left(\text{diagram with two vertices } s \right).$$

- Maps with no melons are subleading
- **Conclusion: A Feynman map is leading order iff it is melonic**

Schwinger-Dyson equation

The two-point function verifies a **closed** SDE



$F_{\mathbf{P}}^{(0)}(\lambda)$ is a solution of the polynomial equation:

$$1 - X + m_{\mathbf{P}}\lambda^2 X^6 = 0$$

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