# Products of Non-Hermitian Random Matrices

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*C<sub>N</sub>* is an *N* × *N* real random matrix with i.i.d entries such that

$$\mathbb{E}[C_{ij}] = 0 \quad \mathbb{E}[C_{ij}^2] = 1/N$$

• We study in the large *N* limit of the empirical spectral measure:

$$\mu_N(z) = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N \delta_{\lambda_i}(z)$$

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- Girko, Bai, ..., Tao-Vu.
- As N → ∞, μ<sub>N</sub>(z) converges a.s. in distribution to μ<sub>c</sub>, the uniform law on the unit disk,

$$\frac{d\mu_c(z)}{dz} = \frac{1}{2\pi} \mathbf{1}_{|z| \le 1},$$

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Figure : Eigenvalues of a 1000  $\times$  1000 iid random matrix

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## Products of iid random matrices

- Let  $m \ge 2$  be a fixed integer.
- Let  $C_{N,1}, C_{N,2}, \ldots, C_{N,m}$  be an independent family of random matrices each with iid entries.
- Götze-Tikhomirov and O'Rourke-Soshnikov computed the limiting distribution of the product

$$C_{N,1}C_{N,2}\cdots C_{N,m}$$

as *N* goes to infinity.

• Limiting density is given by the *m*<sup>th</sup> power of the circular law.

$$\frac{d\mu_m(z)}{dz} = \frac{1}{m\pi} |z|^{\frac{2}{m}-2} \mathbf{1}_{|z|\leq 1}.$$



- Left: eigenvalues of the product of two independent  $1000 \times 1000$  iid random matrices
- Right: eigenvalues of the product of four independent  $1000 \times 1000$  iid random matrices

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- Studied in physics, either non-rigorously or in Gaussian case.
- Z. Burda, R. A. Janik, and B. Waclaw
- Akemann G, Ipsen J, Kieburg M
- Akemann G, Kieburg M, Wei L

## Elliptical Random matrices

- A generalization of the iid model, that interpolates between iid and Wigner.
- $X_N$  is an  $N \times N$  real random matrix such that

$$\mathbb{E}[X_{ij}] = 0 \quad \mathbb{E}[X_{ij}^2] = 1/N \quad \mathbb{E}[|X_{ij}|^{2+\epsilon}] < \infty$$

• For 
$$i \neq j$$
,  $-1 \leq \rho \leq 1$ 

$$\mathbb{E}[X_{ij}X_{ji}] = \rho/N$$

- Entries are otherwise independent.
- Simplest case is weighted sum of GOE and real Ginibre.

$$X_N = \sqrt{\rho} W_N + \sqrt{1 - \rho} C_N$$

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 The limiting distribution of X<sub>N</sub> for general ρ is an ellipse. (Girko; Naumov; Nguyen-O'Rourke) and μ<sub>ρ</sub> is the uniform probability measure on the ellipsoid

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ho}=\left\{z\in\mathbb{C}:rac{\mathfrak{Re}(z)^2}{(1+
ho)^2}+rac{\mathfrak{Im}(z)^2}{(1-
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Figure : Eigenvalues of a 1000  $\times$  1000 Elliptic random matrix, with  $\rho=.5$ 

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#### Theorem (O'Rourke,R,Soshnikov,Vu)

Let  $X_N^1, X_N^2, ..., X_N^m$  be independent elliptical random matrices. Each with parameter  $-1 < \rho_i < 1$ , for  $1 \le i \le m$ . Almost surely the empirical spectral measure of the product

$$X_N^1 X_N^2 \cdots X_N^m$$

converges to  $\mu_m$ , the m<sup>th</sup> power of the circular law.



- Left: eigenvalues of the product of two identically distributed elliptic random matrices with Gaussian entries when  $\rho_1 = \rho_2 = 1/2$
- Right: eigenvalues of the product of a Wigner matrix and an independent iid random matrix

Let

 $Y_N := \begin{pmatrix} 0 & X_{N,1} & & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & X_{N,2} & 0 \\ & & \ddots & \ddots & \\ 0 & & 0 & X_{N,m-1} \\ X_{N,m} & & & 0 \end{pmatrix}$ 

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• Note that raising  $Y_N$  to the  $m^{th}$  power leads to

$$Y_N^m := \begin{pmatrix} Z_{N,1} & 0 & & 0 \\ 0 & Z_{N,2} & 0 & & 0 \\ & 0 & \ddots & \ddots & \\ & & 0 & Z_{N,m-1} & 0 \\ & & & 0 & Z_{N,m} \end{pmatrix}$$

- Where  $Z_{N,k} = X_{N,k} X_{N,k+1} \cdots X_{N,k-1}$
- So  $\lambda$  is an eigenvalue of  $Y_N$  iff  $\lambda^m$  is an eigenvalue of  $X_{N,1}X_{N,2}\cdots X_{N,m}$ .

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## Hermitization

 The log potential allows one to connect eigenvalues of a non-Hermitian matrix to those of a family of Hermitian matrices.

$$\int \log |z-s| d\mu_N(s) = \frac{1}{N} \log(|\det(Y_N-z)|) = \int_0^\infty \log(x) \nu_{N,z}(x)$$

- Where  $\nu_{N,z}(x)$  is the empirical spectral measure of  $\begin{pmatrix} 0 & X_N z \\ (X_N z)^* & 0 \end{pmatrix}$ .
- The spectral measure can be recovered from the log potential.

$$2\pi\mu_N(z) = \Delta \int \log |z-s| d\mu_N(s)$$

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- First step is to show  $\nu_{N,z} \rightarrow \nu_z$
- Show that log(x) can be integrated by bounding singular values.

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• In order to compute  $\nu_{N,z}$ , we use the Stieltjes transform.

$$a_N(\eta, z) := \int \frac{d\nu_{N,z}(x)}{x - \eta}$$

which is also the normalized trace of the resolvent.

$$R(\eta, z) = \begin{pmatrix} -\eta & C_N - z \\ (C_N - z)^* & -\eta \end{pmatrix}^{-1}$$

It is useful to keep the block structure of R<sub>N</sub> and define

$$\Gamma_{N}(\eta, z) = (I_{2} \otimes \operatorname{tr}_{N})R_{N}(\eta, z) = \begin{pmatrix} a_{N}(\eta, z) & b_{N}(\eta, z) \\ c_{N}(\eta, z) & a_{N}(\eta, z) \end{pmatrix}$$

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 The Stietljes transform corresponding to the circular law is characterized as the unique Stieltjes transform that solves the equation

$$a(\eta, z) = \frac{a(\eta, z) + \eta}{|z|^2 - (a(\eta, z) + \eta)^2}$$

for each  $z \in \mathbb{C}$ ,  $\eta \in \mathbb{C}^+$ .

Our goal is to show a<sub>N</sub>(η, z) approximately satisfies this equation.

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$$\Gamma(\eta, z) := egin{pmatrix} -(a(\eta, z) + \eta) & -z \ -ar{z} & -(a(\eta, z) + \eta) \end{pmatrix}^{-1}$$

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• By the defining equation of a,

$$\Gamma(\eta, z) = \begin{pmatrix} a(\eta, z) & \frac{z}{(a(\eta, z) + \eta)^2 - |z|^2} \\ \frac{\overline{z}}{(a(\eta, z) + \eta)^2 - |z|^2} & a(\eta, z) \end{pmatrix}.$$

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#### Letting

$$q := \begin{pmatrix} \eta & z \\ \overline{z} & \eta \end{pmatrix}$$

and

$$\Sigma(A) := diag(A)$$

• This relationship can compactly be written

$$\Gamma(\eta, z) = -(q + \Sigma(\Gamma(\eta, z)))^{-1}.$$

• So we can instead show  $\Gamma_N$  is close to  $\Gamma$ .

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Schur's complement

$$\begin{pmatrix} A & B \\ C & D \end{pmatrix}_{11}^{-1} = (A - BD^{-1}C)^{-1}$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} R_{1,1} & R_{1,N+1} \\ R_{N+1,1} & R_{N+1,N+1} \end{pmatrix}$$

$$= -\left( \begin{pmatrix} \eta & z \\ \overline{z} & \eta \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} 0 & C_{1.}^{(1)} \\ C_{1.}^{(1)*} & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} R^{(1)11} & R^{(1)12} \\ R^{(1)21} & R^{(1)22} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 0 & C_{.1}^{(1)} \\ C_{1.}^{(1)*} & 0 \end{pmatrix} \right)$$

$$\approx -\left( \begin{pmatrix} \eta & z \\ \overline{z} & \eta \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} \operatorname{tr}(R^{22}) & 0 \\ 0 & \operatorname{tr}(R^{11}) \end{pmatrix} \right)^{-1}$$

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# $\Gamma_N(\eta, z) \approx -(q + \Sigma(\Gamma_N(\eta, z)))^{-1}$

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• It will suffice to prove the circular law for

$$Y_N = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & X_{N,1} & & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & X_{N,2} & & 0 \\ & & \ddots & \ddots & \\ 0 & & & 0 & X_{N,m-1} \\ X_{N,m} & & & & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

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Let

$$H_N = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & Y_N \\ Y_N^* & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

Once again we study the hermitized resolvent

$$R_{N}(\eta, z) = \left( \begin{pmatrix} 0 & Y_{N} \\ Y_{N}^{*} & 0 \end{pmatrix} - \begin{pmatrix} \eta I_{mN} & z I_{mN} \\ \overline{z} I_{mN} & \eta I_{mN} \end{pmatrix} \right)^{-1}$$

### **Block Resolvent**

• As before we keep the block structure of  $R_N$  and let

$$\Gamma_{N}(\eta, z) = (I_{2m} \otimes \operatorname{tr}_{N})R_{N}(\eta, z)$$

- Let  $R_{N;11}$  be the  $2m \times 2m$  matrix whose entries are the (1, 1) entry of each block of the resolvent.
- Let  $H_{N;1}^{(1)}$  be a  $2m \times 2m$  matrix with N 1 dimensional vectors

$$R_{N;11} = -\left(q \otimes I_m + H_{N;1}^{(1)*} R_N^{(1)} H_{N;1}^{(1)}\right)^{-1}$$

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$$H_{N} = \begin{pmatrix} & & & 0 & X_{N,1} & & 0 \\ & & & & \ddots & \ddots & \\ & & & 0 & & 0 & X_{N,m-1} \\ 0 & 0 & & & X_{N,m}^{*} & & & 0 \\ 0 & & & & X_{N,m}^{*} & & & & 0 \\ & & \ddots & 0 & 0 & & & \\ 0 & & & & X_{N,m-1}^{*} & 0 & & & & \end{pmatrix}$$

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### **Block Resolvent**

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$$\Gamma_N(\eta, z) \approx (q \otimes I_m - \Sigma(\Gamma_N(\eta, z))^{-1})$$

 where Σ being a linear operator on 2m × 2m matrices defined by:

$$\Sigma(A)_{ab} = \sum_{c,d=1}^{2m} \sigma(a,c;d,b) A_{cd}$$
$$\sigma(a,c;d,b) = N \mathbb{E}[H_{12}^{ac} H_{12}^{db}]$$
$$\Sigma(A)_{ab} = A_{a'a'} \delta_{ab} + \rho_a A_{a'a} \delta_{aa'},$$

In the limit

$$\Gamma = -(q \otimes I_m + \Sigma(\Gamma))^{-1}$$

• This equation has a unique solution that is a matrix valued Stietljes transform (J. Helton, R. Far, R. Speicher)

• As 
$$\eta \to \infty$$
,

$$\Gamma \sim \frac{-1}{\eta^2 - |z|^2} \begin{pmatrix} \eta I_m & -zI_m \\ -\bar{z}I_m & \eta I_M \end{pmatrix}.$$

 Since Σ leaves main diagonal invariant and sets diagonals of the upper blocks to zero, Γ is of this form. So Γ actually satisfies the equation:

$$\Gamma(\eta, z) = -(q \otimes I_m + diag(\Gamma(\eta, z)))^{-1}$$

 This means for 1 ≤ i ≤ 2m, the diagonal entries of the matrix valued Stieltjes transform are given by the Stieltjes transform corresponding to the circular law.

$$\Gamma(\eta, z)_{ii} = a(\eta, z)$$

 Theorem (Nguyen, O'Rourke) Let X<sub>N</sub> be an elliptical random matrix with -1 < ρ < 1 and F<sub>N</sub> be deterministic matrix, for any B > 0, there exists A > 0

$$\mathbb{P}\left(\sigma_N(X_N+F_N)\leq N^{-A}\right)=O(N^{-B}).$$

 Theorem (O'Rourke, R, Soshnikov, Vu) Let Y<sub>N</sub> be the linearized random matrix and F<sub>N</sub> be deterministic matrix, for any B > 0, there exists A > 0

$$\mathbb{P}\left(\sigma_{mN}(Y_N - zI_{Nm}) \leq N^{-A}\right) = O(N^{-B}).$$

### Smallest singular value

• Let  $G_N = (Y_N - z)^{-1}$ . In suffices to show

$$\mathbb{P}\left(\|G_N\|\geq N^A\right)=O(N^{-B}).$$

• Let  $G_N^{ab}$  be the  $ab^{th} N \times N$  block of  $G_N$ .

$$\mathbb{P}\left(\|G_N\| \ge N^A\right)$$
  
  $\le \mathbb{P}\left(\text{there exists } a, b \in \{1, \dots, m\} \text{ with } \|G_N^{ab}\| \ge \frac{1}{m^2}N^A\right).$ 

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## Smallest singular value

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$$G_{N}^{ab} = z^{\kappa} X_{N,j_1} \cdots X_{N,j_l} \left( X_{N,i_1} \cdots X_{N,i_q} - z^{r} \right)^{-1},$$

The second term can be rewritten

$$(X_{N,i_1}\cdots X_{N,i_q}-z^r)^{-1}=X_{N,i_q}^{-1}\cdots X_{N,i_2}^{-1}(X_{N,i_1}-z^r X_{N,i_q}^{-1}\cdots X_{N,i_2}^{-1})^{-1}$$

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 Then the least singular value bound of Nguyen-O'Rourke can be applied.

- In free probability, there are a distinguished set of operators known as R-diagonal operators.
- When they are non-singular, their polar decomposition is

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where u is a haar unitary operator, h is a positive operator, and u, h are free.

• Additionally, the set of R-diagonal operators is closed under addition and multiplication.

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$$x_1x_2 = v_1h_1v_2h_2.$$

We begin by introducing a new free haar unitary *u*. Then the distribution of  $x_1x_2$  is the same the distribution of

 $uv_1h_1u^*v_2h_2$ .

Then  $uv_1$  and  $u^*v_2$  are haar unitaries, and one can check they are free from each other and  $h_1$  and  $h_2$ . Since the product of *R*-diagonal elements remains *R*-diagonal  $x_1x_2$  is *R*-diagonal.

#### Thank you

#### Available at arxiv:1403.6080