

# Expanded Vandermonde powers: applications to the two-dimensional one-component plasma

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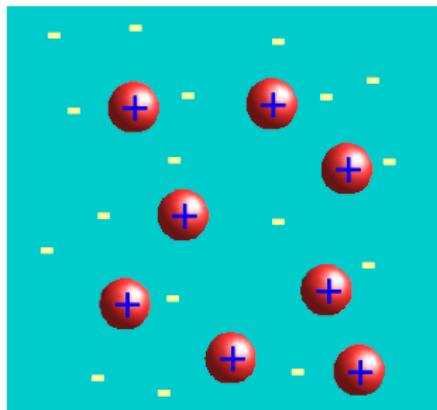
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# The two-dimensional one-component plasma

- System of  $N$  particles with charge  $q$  in a plane, interacting with the 2D Coulomb potential:

$$v(r) = -\ln \frac{r}{L} \quad (1)$$

- Neutralizing background with charge density  $-qn_b$ .
- Coulomb coupling  $\Gamma = q^2/(k_B T) =$  ratio between the electrostatic energy and the thermal energy.



# Hamiltonian

$$H = -q^2 \sum_{i < j} \ln |z_i - z_j| + q^2 \sum_i v_b(\mathbf{r}_i) + V_0 \quad (2)$$

- Particle-background potential interaction  $v_b(\mathbf{r}) = \pi n_b r^2 / 2 + \text{cst}$  (plasma in a disk).
- $V_0$  background-background interaction (constant).

# The Boltzmann factor as a Vandermonde determinant

$$e^{-\beta H} = \prod_{k < j} |z_k - z_j|^\Gamma \prod_i e^{-\Gamma v_b(\mathbf{r}_i)} e^{-\beta V_0} \quad (3)$$

$$= |\det(z_j^{k-1})|^\Gamma \prod_i e^{-\Gamma v_b(\mathbf{r}_i)} e^{-\beta V_0} \quad (4)$$

$$= |\det(\psi_{k-1}(\mathbf{r}_j))|^\Gamma e^{-\beta V_0} \quad (5)$$

with

$$\psi_k(\mathbf{r}) = z^k e^{-v_b(\mathbf{r})} \quad (6)$$

# Analogy with the quantum Hall effect

The functions

$$\psi_l(\mathbf{r}) = z^l e^{-\nu_b(\mathbf{r})} \quad (7)$$

are orthogonal between them. They also are the wave function of an electron in the plane  $Oxy$  with a magnetic field in the perpendicular direction  $z$ . The angular momentum  $L_z$  of this electron is  $l$ . The Slater determinant

$$\Psi(\mathbf{r}_1, \dots, \mathbf{r}_N) = \det(\psi_{k-1}(\mathbf{r}_j)) \quad (8)$$

is the wave function of  $N$  independent electrons in the lowest energy level.

# Partition function $\Gamma = 2$

If  $\Gamma = 2$  then

$$e^{-\beta H} = e^{-\beta V_0} |\Psi(\mathbf{r}_1, \dots, \mathbf{r}_N)|^2. \quad (9)$$

To compute the partition function is the same as normalizing the wave function  $\Psi$

$$Z = e^{-\beta V_0} N! \prod_{k=0}^{N-1} ||\psi_k||^2 \quad (10)$$

with

$$||\psi_k||^2 = \int |\psi_k(\mathbf{r})|^2 d\mathbf{r} \quad (11)$$

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# Partitions

Let  $\mu = (\mu_1, \dots, \mu_N)$  be a partition of non negative integers such that  $\mu_1 \geq \mu_2 \geq \dots \geq \mu_N \geq 0$ . We define  $|\mu| = \sum_j \mu_j$ .

A partition  $\mu$  also be represented by the occupation numbers  $n(\mu) = (n_0, n_1, \dots, n_l, \dots)$ , where  $n_l$  is the frequency of the integer  $l$  in the partition  $(\mu_1, \dots, \mu_N)$ .

# Symmetric polynomials

Let

$$m_\mu(z) = \frac{1}{\prod_i n_i!} \sum_{\sigma \in S_N} z_{\sigma(1)}^{\mu_1} \cdots z_{\sigma(N)}^{\mu_N} \quad (12)$$

They are an orthogonal basis of the space of symmetric polynomials of  $N$  variables.

The wave function of an state of  $N$  free bosons occupying the Landau levels of angular momentum  $\mu_1, \dots, \mu_N$  is proportional to  $m_\mu(z)$ .

# Antisymmetric polynomials

Let

$$A_\mu(z) = \sum_{\sigma \in S_N} \epsilon(\sigma) z_{\sigma(1)}^{\mu_1} \cdots z_{\sigma(N)}^{\mu_N} = \prod_{i < j} (z_j - z_i) s_{\mu - \delta_N}(z) \quad (13)$$

with  $\delta_N = (N-1, N-2, \dots, 0)$  and  $s_\mu$  the Schur polynomials.

The  $\{A_\mu\}$  form an orthogonal basis of the space of antisymmetric polynomials of  $N$  variables.

The wave function of an state of  $N$  free fermions occupying the Landau levels of angular momentum  $\mu_1, \dots, \mu_N$  is proportional to  $m_\mu(z)$ .

A partial order is defined on partitions of the same length:  $\mu < \kappa$  if

$$\sum_{j=1}^p \mu_i \leq \sum_{j=1}^p \kappa_j \quad (p = 1, \dots, N) \quad (14)$$

*Property:*  $\mu < \kappa$  if  $\mu$  can be constructed from  $\kappa$  by a sequence of *squeezing* operations:

- It is an operation between two particles that moves up one particle from the orbital  $m_1$  to  $m'_1$  and moves down the other particle from the orbital  $m_2$  to  $m'_2$  with  $m_1 < m_1 \leq m'_2 < m_2$ , conserving the total angular momentum  $m_1 + m_2 = m'_1 + m'_2$ .

Example:  $m_1 = 2$ ,  $m'_1 = 3$  and  $m'_2 = 6$ ,  $m_2 = 7$ :

occupation:  $[02 \underset{\rightarrow}{4} 2430 \underset{\leftarrow}{2} 13] \rightarrow [0233431113]$

partition:  $(9, 9, 9, 8, 7, 7, 5, 5, 5, 4, 4, 4, 4, 3, 3, 2, 2, 2, 2, 1, 1)$

$\rightarrow (9, 9, 9, 8, 7, 6, 5, 5, 5, 4, 4, 4, 4, 3, 3, 3, 2, 2, 2, 1, 1)$

## Estrategy

Let  $r = \Gamma/2$ ,  $z = (z_1, \dots, z_N)$ , and

$$\Psi(z) = \prod_{k < j} (z_k - z_j)^r. \quad (15)$$

The Boltzmann factor of the 2dOCP is proportional to  $|\Psi(z)|^2$ . In the analogy with the quantum Hall effect,  $\Psi(z_1, \dots, z_N)$  is the Laughlin trial wave function for filling fraction  $1/r$ .

To compute the partition function it is convenient to expand  $\Psi(z)$  in the basis of the  $\{m_\mu\}$  (if  $r$  is even) or  $\{A_\mu\}$  (if  $r$  is odd)

$$\Psi(z) = \prod_{k < j} (z_k - z_j)^r = \sum_\mu c_\mu m_\mu(z) \quad (16)$$

with  $|\mu| = N(N-1)r$ . The Boltzmann factor of the 2dOCP is

$$e^{-\beta H} = e^{-\beta V_0} \left| \sum_\mu c_\mu m_\mu(z) \prod_{k=1}^N e^{-r v_b(r_k)} \right|^2 \quad (17)$$

and the partition function is

$$Z = e^{-\beta V_0} \sum_\mu c_\mu^2 \prod_{k=1}^N \|\psi_{\mu_k}\|^2 \quad (18)$$

# Jack polynomials

The symmetric Jack polynomial  $J_\mu^\alpha(z)$  is an eigenfunction of the operator

$$\mathcal{H} = \sum_{j=1}^N \left( z_j \frac{\partial}{\partial z_j} \right)^2 + \frac{2}{\alpha} \sum_{j < k} \frac{z_j + z_k}{z_j - z_k} \left( \frac{\partial}{\partial z_j} - \frac{\partial}{\partial z_k} \right) \quad (19)$$

with eigenvalue

$$\sum_{j=1}^N \mu_j(\mu_j - 1) + (\alpha(N-1) + 1)|\mu| - 2\alpha \sum_{j=1}^N (j-1)\mu_j \quad (20)$$

One can show that

$$\Psi(z) = \prod_{k < j} (z_k - z_j)^r = J_\lambda^\alpha(z) \quad (21)$$

with  $\alpha = -1/(r-1)$ , and  $\lambda$  is the partition with occupation numbers

$$[1 \underbrace{0 \dots 0}_{r-1 \text{ times}} 10^{r-1} 1 \dots] \quad (22)$$

with  $|\lambda| = rN(N-1)$ .

Furthermore

$$J_\lambda^\alpha = m_\lambda + \sum_{\mu < \lambda} c_\mu m_\mu \quad (23)$$

Applying  $\mathcal{H}$  to (23), one obtains a recurrence relation between the coefficients  $c_\mu$  that allows its calculation:

$$c_\rho = \frac{1}{e_\lambda(\alpha) - e_\rho(\alpha)} \frac{2}{\alpha} \sum_{\rho < \mu \leq \lambda} ((\rho_i + r) - (\rho_j - r)) c_\mu(\alpha) \quad (24)$$

where

$$e_\lambda(\alpha) := \sum_{i=1}^N \lambda_i \left( \lambda_i - 1 - \frac{2}{\alpha} (i-1) \right).$$

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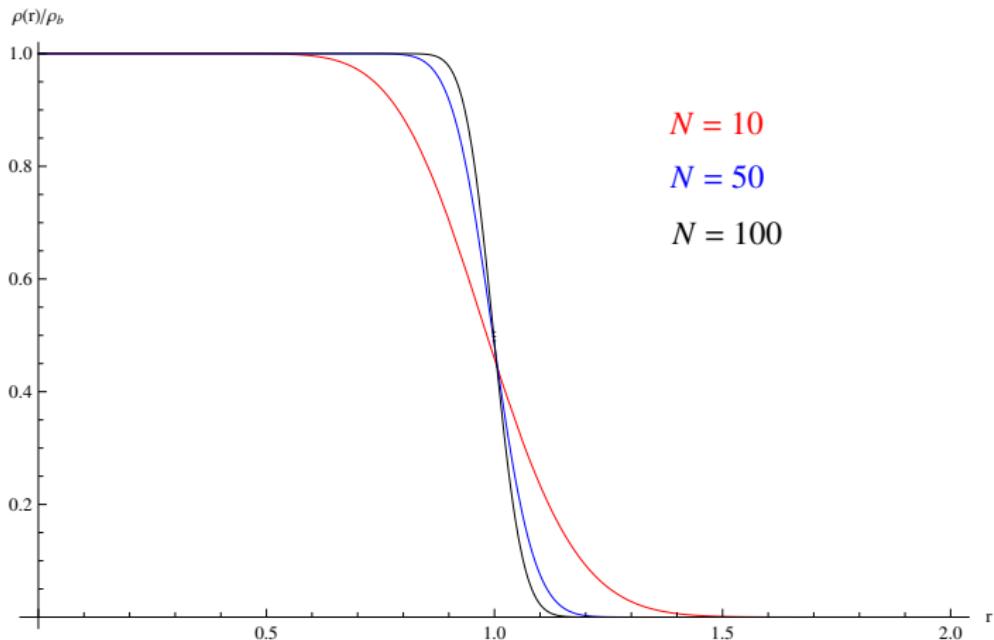
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# Some applications to the 2dOCP

- Pair correlation function at  $\Gamma = 4$ , Šamaj, Percus, Kolesik, PRE 49:5623 (1994)
- Finite size corrections to the free energy, density and correlation in the disk and in the sphere for  $\Gamma = 4$  and  $\Gamma = 6$ , Téllez, Forrester, J. Stat. Phys 97:489 (1999)
- Sum rules and fluctuation of linear statistics, Téllez, Forrester, arXiv:1204.6003 (2012)

# Density profile in the soft edge disk



Density profile with  $\pi\rho_b = N$  in a disk with soft edge, for  $\Gamma = 2$ .

# Sum rules for the density: second moment

A simple scaling argument shows that

$$\iint_{\mathbb{R}^2} r^2 \rho(r) d^2 \vec{r} = \frac{N}{2} + \frac{2}{\Gamma} \left( 1 - \frac{\Gamma}{4} \right) \quad (25)$$

The  $O(1)$  term gives information about the structure of the density profile at the edge, by writing  $\rho(r) = \rho_b \chi_{0 < r < 1} + \kappa(r)$ ,

$$\iint_{\mathbb{R}^2} r^2 \kappa(r) d^2 \vec{r} = \frac{2}{\Gamma} \left( 1 - \frac{\Gamma}{4} \right) \quad (26)$$

# Sum rules for the density

The above argument can be generalized

$$\iint_{\mathbb{R}^2} r^m \rho(r) d^2 \vec{r} = \frac{2N}{m+2} + \frac{m}{\Gamma} \left(1 - \frac{\Gamma}{4}\right) + O(N^{-1/2}) \quad (27)$$

Again, the  $O(1)$  term gives more information about the structure of the density profile at the edge

$$\iint_{\mathbb{R}^2} r^m \kappa(r) d^2 \vec{r} = \frac{m}{\Gamma} \left(1 - \frac{\Gamma}{4}\right) \quad (28)$$

This means that, as  $N \rightarrow \infty$ ,  $\kappa(r)$  converges to the distribution

$$\kappa(r) = \frac{1}{2\pi\Gamma} \left(1 - \frac{\Gamma}{4}\right) \frac{1}{r} \delta'(r - 1) \quad (29)$$

# Exact numerical evaluation of the density moments

The  $2n$ -moment of the density can be expressed as

$$\mathcal{M}_N = \frac{(N\Gamma/2)^{-n}}{Z_{\text{soft}}} \sum_{\mu} \frac{c_{\mu}^2}{\prod_i m_i!} \prod_{\ell=1}^N \mu_{\ell}! \sum_{k=1}^N \frac{(\mu_k + n)!}{\mu_k!}, \quad (30)$$

with

$$Z_{\text{soft}} = \sum_{\mu} \frac{c_{\mu}^2}{\prod_i m_i!} \prod_{\ell=1}^N \mu_{\ell}!, \quad (31)$$

which is the partition function of the 2dOCP in the soft disk, up to a multiplicative constant.

## Numerical test of the sum rules

$N$	$\mathcal{M}_N$	$=$	$aN +$	$b +$	$c/\sqrt{N} +$	$d/N$
			$a$	$b$	$c$	$d$
2	0.8125					
3	1.126262					
4	1.44563743218807					
5	1.76891109591098	0.336437		-0.0742714	0.458953	-0.221263
6	2.09454890418255	0.333419		-0.00242266	0.269645	-0.0817588
7	2.42171814295119	0.332974		0.0108746	0.230301	-0.0491322
8	2.74996856529295	0.33338		-0.003688474	0.277614	-0.0922608
9	3.07901955876735	0.333458		-0.00698637	0.289203	-0.103695
10	3.40868118671838	0.333396		-0.00397741	0.277889	-0.0917455
11	3.73882025776555	0.333353		-0.00169446	0.268779	-0.0815306
12	4.06934089384864	0.333341		-0.000983289	0.265786	-0.0779911
13	4.4001722794716	0.333341		-0.000982974	0.265784	-0.0779894
14	4.73126081887937	0.333342		-0.00105077	0.266097	-0.0783948
$\infty$		1/3		0		

Table: Fourth moment ( $n = 2$ ) of the density when  $\Gamma = 4$ .

$N$	$\mathcal{M}_N$	=	$aN$	+	$b$	+	$c/\sqrt{N}$	+	$d/N$
			$a$		$b$		$c$		$d$
2	0.890625								
3	1.08333333333333								
4	1.29792043399638								
5	1.52318930281443		0.249835		0.0492187		0.53598		-0.0745192
6	1.75432075208484		0.246695		0.123999		0.338947		0.0706775
7	1.98916255005449		0.248062		0.0831756		0.459736		-0.0294887
8	2.22660014721048		0.249434		0.0339754		0.619579		-0.175195
9	2.46595156197257		0.249738		0.021223		0.664392		-0.219408
10	2.70676308425724		0.249748		0.0207354		0.666226		-0.221345
11	2.94871984780432		0.249774		0.0193389		0.671799		-0.227593
12	3.19159601492947		0.249824		0.0163325		0.684451		-0.242556
13	3.43522469549061		0.249871		0.0132299		0.69815		-0.259556
14	3.67947926593368		0.249905		0.0108374		0.709186		-0.273865
$\infty$			0.25		0				

Table: Sixth moment ( $n = 3$ ) of the density when  $\Gamma = 4$ .

$N$	$\mathcal{M}_N$	=	$aN$	+	$b$	+	$c/\sqrt{N}$	+	$d/N$
			$a$		$b$		$c$		$d$
2	1.21875								
3	1.25420875420875								
4	1.36950440777577								
5	1.51576558282311		0.188419		0.468569		-0.269131		1.12729
6	1.67718058035561		0.189303		0.447536		-0.213712		1.08645
7	1.84742557965232		0.194189		0.301703		0.217776		0.728635
8	2.02343313425351		0.197002		0.20078		0.545661		0.42975
9	2.20346793019457		0.197864		0.164668		0.672559		0.30455
10	2.38645657506403		0.198269		0.145249		0.745579		0.227431
11	2.57169539517539		0.198622		0.126216		0.821535		0.142267
12	2.75870117826714		0.198925		0.108069		0.897903		0.0519525
13	2.9471288020509		0.199158		0.0926932		0.965792		-0.0322945
14	3.13672349360904		0.199328		0.0804934		1.02207		-0.10526
$\infty$			0.2		0				

Table: Eighth moment ( $n = 4$ ) of the density when  $\Gamma = 4$ .

$N$	$\mathcal{M}_N$	=	$aN$	+	$b$	+	$c/\sqrt{N}$	+	$d/N$
			$a$	$b$	$c$	$d$			
3	0.829151732377539								
4	1.13999055712937								
5	1.45889183119874								
6	1.78179400313294		0.330681	-0.23698	-0.0197034	0.256393			
7	2.10668148567864		0.326556	-0.113869	-0.383961	0.55846			
8	2.43308749295152		0.335184	-0.423364	0.621536	-0.358107			
9	2.76069703430536		0.335669	-0.443708	0.693027	-0.428642			
10	3.08920070504297		0.333408	-0.335393	0.285749	0.00150004			
11	3.41837572685644		0.33287	-0.306358	0.169876	0.131419			
12	3.74807370935471		0.333069	-0.318295	0.220112	0.0720079			
$\infty$			1/3	-1/3					

Table: Fourth moment ( $n = 2$ ) of the density when  $\Gamma = 6$ .

$N$	$\mathcal{M}_N$	$= aN + b + c/\sqrt{N} + d/N$			
		$a$	$b$	$c$	$d$
3	0.63878932696137				
4	0.852317437834435				
5	1.07602482170551				
6	1.30481948267947	0.238952	-0.17935	-0.0015329	0.306508
7	1.5366992098612	0.241542	-0.256653	0.227188	0.116838
8	1.77130926929194	0.254997	-0.739333	1.79534	-1.31262
9	2.00817460819162	0.253514	-0.677215	1.57705	-1.09725
10	2.24678505124783	0.249869	-0.502619	0.920542	-0.403889
11	2.48676496530133	0.249348	-0.474543	0.8085	-0.278266
12	2.72785340315076	0.249797	-0.501405	0.921547	-0.411958
$\infty$		0.25	-0.5		

Table: Sixth moment ( $n = 3$ ) of the density when  $\Gamma = 6$ .

$N$	$\mathcal{M}_N$	$= aN + b + c/\sqrt{N} + d/N$			
		$a$	$b$	$c$	$d$
3	0.579848665870171				
4	0.732937257370685				
5	0.897778601877637				
6	1.06814688756782	0.178851	0.00107475	-0.227029	0.519884
7	1.24220552729734	0.18911	-0.305123	0.678947	-0.231411
8	1.41969193536163	0.204817	-0.8686	2.50959	-1.90014
9	1.60002816650081	0.201673	-0.736901	2.04679	-1.44354
10	1.78261079422029	0.198035	-0.562593	1.39137	-0.751319
11	1.96700538479197	0.198245	-0.573912	1.43654	-0.801964
12	2.15290808747152	0.199242	-0.633669	1.68802	-1.09938
$\infty$		0.2	$-2/3 \simeq -0.666667$		

Table: Eighth moment ( $n = 4$ ) of the density when  $\Gamma = 6$ .