

Universal current fluctuations in non-equilibrium systems

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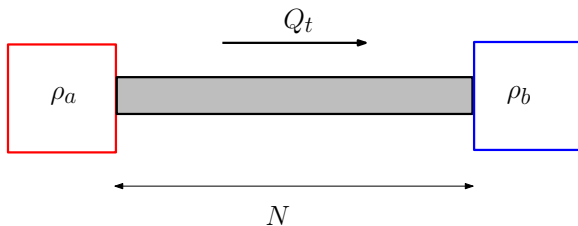
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Outline

- Universality of the Fano factor
- Universality of the large deviations for the current

Open system with reservoirs



Q_t current of particles during the time interval $[0, t]$

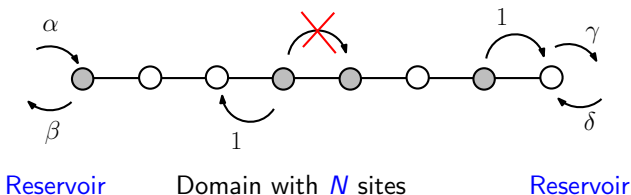
Diffusive systems : $\langle Q_t \rangle \simeq \frac{C(\rho_a, \rho_b)}{N} t$ (Fick's law)

Question : Distribution of the current ?

- Cumulants
- Large deviations

Symmetric Simple Exclusion Process

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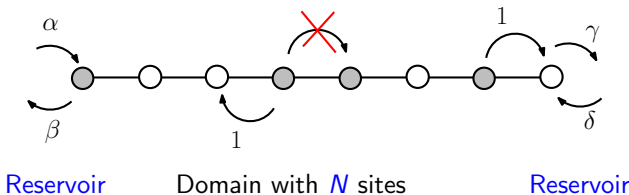
Right reservoir acting at site N

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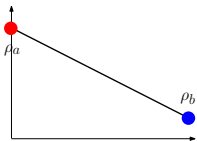
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Macroscopic scale



Linear density profile (Fick's law)

$$\rho_a = \frac{\alpha}{\alpha + \beta}, \quad \rho_b = \frac{\delta}{\delta + \gamma}$$

Current

Q_t = Number of jumps from i to $i + 1$ up to time t
 – Number of jumps from $i + 1$ to i up to time t

Cumulants [Derrida, Douçot, Roche]

$$\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\langle Q_t \rangle}{t} \simeq \frac{1}{N}(\rho_a - \rho_b)$$

$$\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\langle Q_t^2 \rangle - \langle Q_t \rangle^2}{t} \simeq \frac{1}{N} \left(\rho_a + \rho_b - \frac{2}{3}(\rho_a^2 + \rho_a \rho_b + \rho_b^2) \right)$$

Fano Factor

$$F_N = \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\langle Q_t^2 \rangle - \langle Q_t \rangle^2}{\langle Q_t \rangle}$$

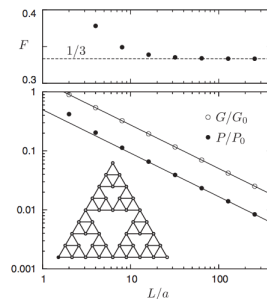
For $\rho_a = 1$ and $\rho_b = 0$ then $\lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} F_N = 1/3$

SSEP on a Sierpinski lattice

($\rho_a = 1$, $\rho_b = 0$)

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[Groth, Tworzydło, Beenakker]

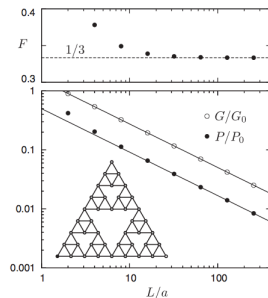


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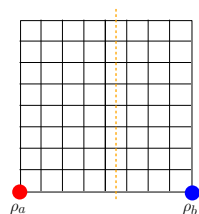
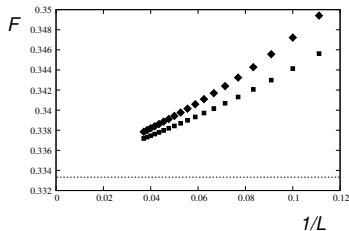
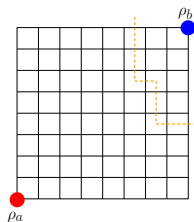
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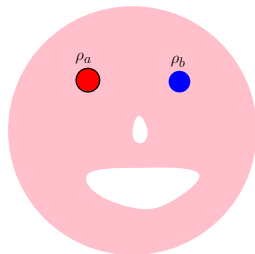


SSEP in 2D $(\rho_a = 1, \rho_b = 0)$ [Akkermans, B, Derrida, Shpielberg]



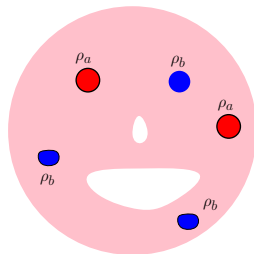
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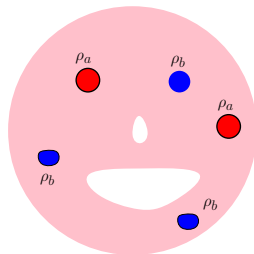
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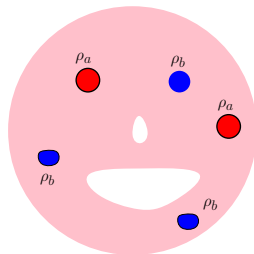


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Claim. Universality of the large deviations.

Large deviations

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For the 1D SSEP :

$$\lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \frac{N}{t} \log \left\langle \exp(\lambda Q_t) \right\rangle = \left(\text{Arcsinh}(\sqrt{\omega}) \right)^2$$

with

$$\omega = \rho_a(e^\lambda - 1) + \rho_b(e^{-\lambda} - 1) + \rho_a(e^\lambda - 1)\rho_b(e^{-\lambda} - 1)$$

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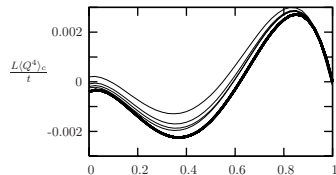
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Formal derivation of the cumulants

$$\lim_t \frac{\langle Q_t^k \rangle_c}{t} = \frac{1}{N} \partial^k \mu \Big|_{\lambda=0}$$



$$N = 5, 9, 13, 17 \quad (\rho_a = 1)$$

Large deviations 1D SSEP

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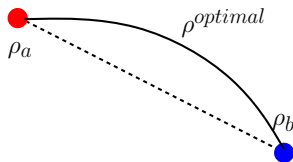
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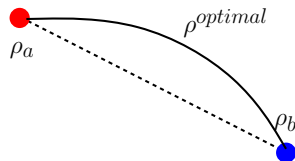
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For SSEP **time independent** variational problem



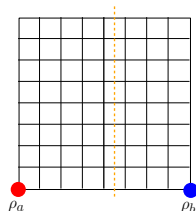
SSEP in higher dimension

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- $\eta_i(t)$ for $i \in \mathbb{Z}^d$
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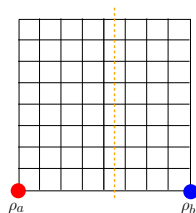
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$$\Delta v(x) = 0 \quad \text{and} \quad v(A) = 1, v(B) = 0$$

A, B : macroscopic contacts

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with boundary conditions $\rho(A) = \rho_a$ and $\rho(B) = \rho_b$

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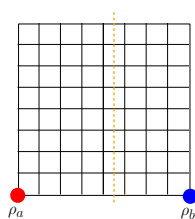
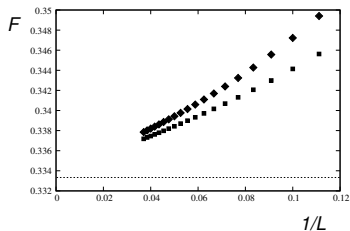
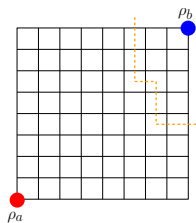
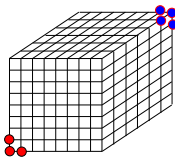
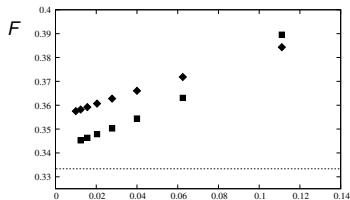
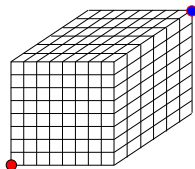
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Claim [Akkermans, B, Derrida, Shpielberg]

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where $C(\mathbb{D}) = \int_{\mathbb{D}} (\nabla_x v)^2$ with $\Delta v = 0$, $v(A) = 1, v(B) = 0$.

Structure of the contacts

SSEP in 2D ($\rho_a = 1, \rho_b = 0$)SSEP in 3D ($\rho_a = 1, \rho_b = 0$)

For general 1D diffusive dynamics :

- Diffusion constant $D(\rho)$: $\rho_a = \rho + \varepsilon, \rho_b = \rho$

$$\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \left\langle \frac{Q_t}{T} \right\rangle \approx D(\rho) \frac{\varepsilon}{N} \quad \text{for SSEP : } D(\rho) = 1$$

- Conductivity $\sigma(\rho)$: $\rho_a = \rho_b = \rho$

$$\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \left\langle \frac{(Q_t)^2}{t} \right\rangle \approx \sigma(\rho) \frac{1}{N} \quad \text{for SSEP : } \sigma(\rho) = 2\rho(1 - \rho)$$

For isotropic dynamics in higher dimensions

$$\mu(\lambda) = \liminf_T \inf_{q, \rho} \left\{ \frac{1}{T} \int_0^T dt \int_{\mathbb{D}} dx \left[\frac{\lambda}{2} \nabla_x v(x, t) \cdot q(x, t) - \frac{(q(x, t) + D(\rho(x, t)) \nabla \rho(x, t))^2}{4\sigma(\rho(x, t))} \right] \right\}$$

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Universality of the cumulants [B., Derrida 2004]

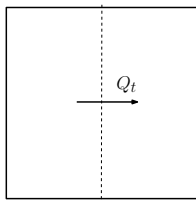
$$I_n = \int_{\rho_b}^{\rho_a} D(u) \sigma(u)^{n-1} du$$

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$$\frac{\langle Q_t^2 \rangle_c}{t} \simeq C(\mathbb{D}) N^{d-2} \frac{I_2}{I_1}$$

$$\frac{\langle Q_t^3 \rangle_c}{t} \simeq C(\mathbb{D}) N^{d-2} \frac{3(I_3 I_1 - I_2^2)}{I_3} \dots$$

Higher dimensions



Two-dimensional SSEP on the periodic domain $\Lambda_N = \{1, \dots, N\}^2$

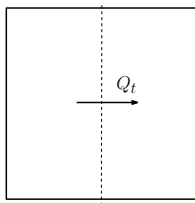
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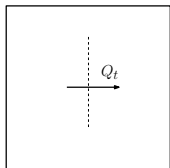
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Minimization under the constraint : $\mathcal{J} = \frac{1}{T} \int_0^T dt \int_0^1 dx_2 q_{((\frac{1}{2}, x_2), t)}^1$

$$G(\mathcal{J}) > 0 \quad \text{for} \quad \mathcal{J} \neq 0$$

Higher dimensions : partial current



Slit $\ell = hN$ with $0 < h < 1$

Large deviations of the partial current Q_t^ℓ

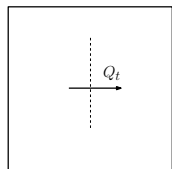
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Claim. [B, Derrida, Lebowitz]

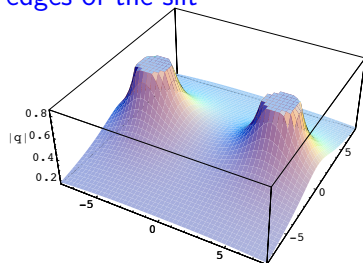
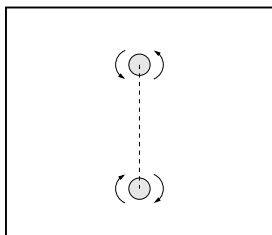
Fix $h < 1$. For any $\mathcal{J} \neq 0$ then $G^h(\mathcal{J}) = 0$

Current Vortices

$$G^h(\mathcal{J}) = \lim_{T \rightarrow \infty} \inf_{\rho} \left\{ \frac{1}{T} \mathcal{I}_{[0, T]}(\rho) \right\} \leq \inf_{q(x)} \frac{1}{2\sigma(\bar{\rho})} \int_{\Lambda} dx (q_{(x)}^1)^2 + (q_{(x)}^2)^2$$

with the constraint $\mathcal{J} = \int_0^h dx_2 q_{((1/2, x_2))}^1$

⇒ Current vortices localized at the edges of the slit



Conclusion

Summary

- Universal current large deviations (in the macroscopic limit)
- SSEP and other diffusive dynamics
- Predictions for all the cumulants

Open problems

- Time dependence; Non uniqueness of the minimizers
- Structure of the contacts