

# Continuous TASEP on a ring

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# Outline of talk

I will discuss a probability distribution  $\Xi$  of labeled particles on a ring that can be described in several ways and seems to have interesting combinatorial properties.

- Process of last row, the simplest definition
- Other definition, multiline queues
- Density function for a fixed permutation
- Correlations

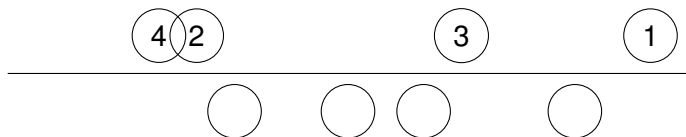
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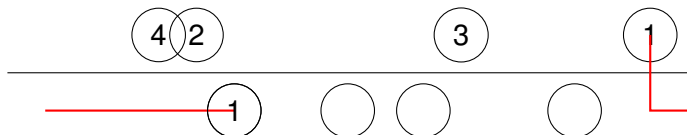
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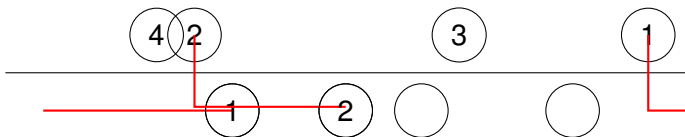


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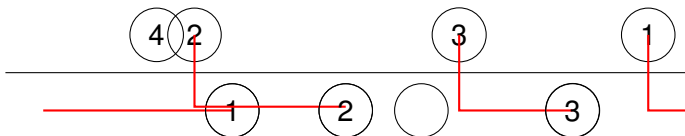


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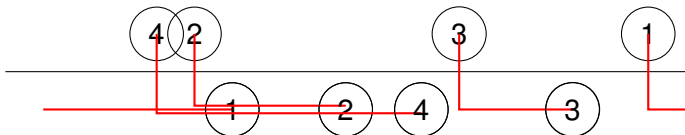


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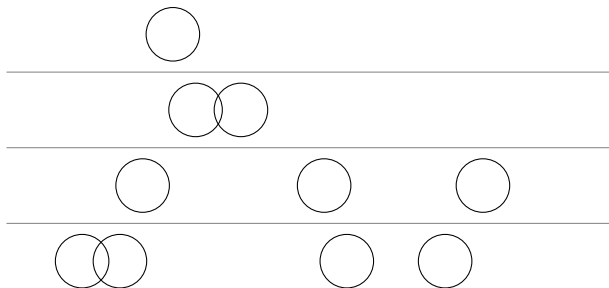
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Note that the positions are uniformly distributed by definition. The difficulty is with the labelling.

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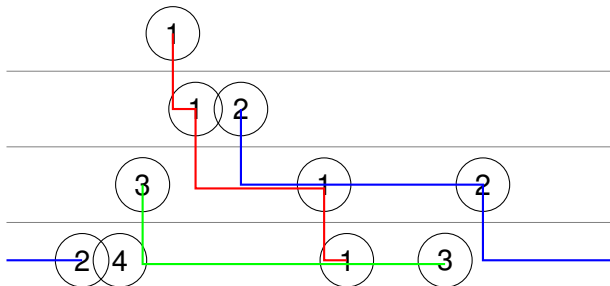
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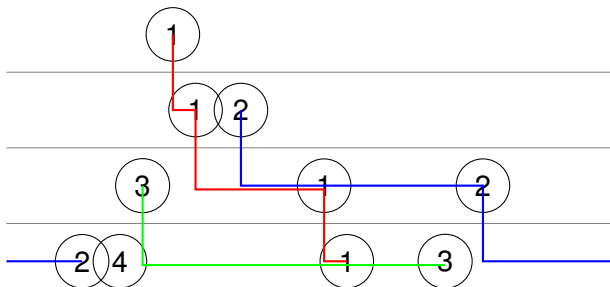


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# Density functions

Let  $q_1, \dots, q_n$  be the positions of the labeled particles.

Restricting  $\Xi$  to a permutation  $\pi$  the density functions  $g_\pi(q_1, \dots, q_n)$  for the positions of the particles behave nicely for some  $\pi$ .

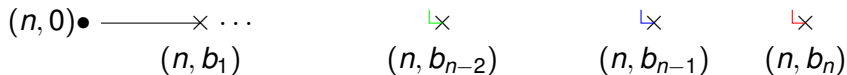
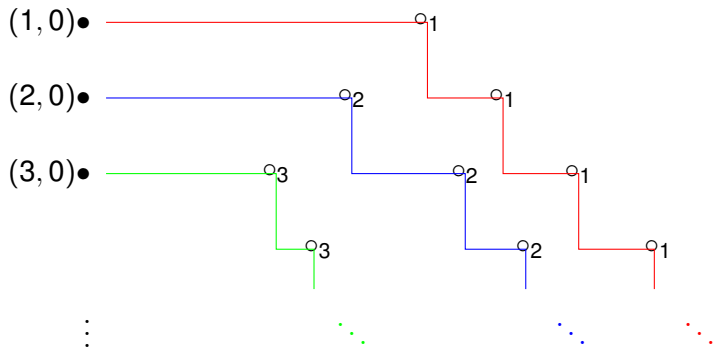
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$$g_{w_0}(q_1, \dots, q_n) = n! \prod_{1 \leq k < l \leq n} (q_l - q_k).$$

Proof uses that the continuous mlq:s are limits of discrete mlq:s with the number of empty positions going to infinity. For the discrete case we can use the determinantal formula.

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NEWSFLASH: Proof of conjecture claimed by Aas-Grinberg-Scrimshaw, to be submitted to FPSAC.

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Question: Is there a better operator than the derivative?



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| $\pi$   | 12            | 21            | 123             | 231             | 312             | 132            | 213            | 321            |
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It would be very interesting if anyone could shed some light on this.