

# Stochastic self-duality from quantum algebra representations

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$L_i : F(\Omega_i) \rightarrow F(\Omega_i)$  generator for process  $X_i$ , i.e.  $\exp(tL_i)$  is the semigroup corresponding to  $X_i$ .

**Theorem:**  $X_1$  and  $X_2$  are in duality with duality function  $D$ , iff

$$[L_1 D(\cdot, \eta_2)](\eta_1) = [L_2 D(\eta_1, \cdot)](\eta_2), \quad (\eta_1, \eta_2) \in \Omega_1 \times \Omega_2.$$

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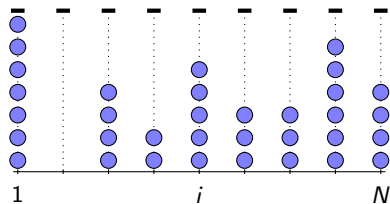
$$d(x, y) = \frac{\delta_{x,y}}{w(x)}.$$

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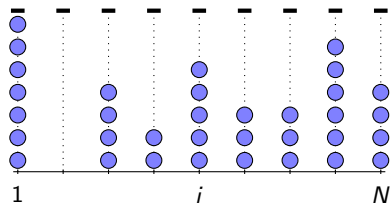
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## Family of reversible measures

$$\prod_{i=1}^N w_p(x_i), \quad w_p(x_i) = \binom{2j}{x_i} \left( \frac{p}{1-p} \right)^{x_i} (1-p)^{2j}, \quad 0 < p < 1$$

**Duality function:**  $D_p^{\text{ch}}(x, y) = \prod_{i=1}^N \frac{\delta_{x_i, y_i}}{w_p(x_i)}$



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**Goal:** find useful symmetries.

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**Representation:**

For  $j \in \frac{1}{2}\mathbb{N}$ ,  $0 < p < 1$ , a \*-representation on  $\ell^2(w_p)$  is given by

$$[Hf](x) = (j - x)f(x),$$

$$[Ef](x) = \sqrt{(1-p)/p} x f(x-1),$$

$$[Ff](x) = \sqrt{p/(1-p)} (2j - x)f(x+1).$$

## Relation with symmetric exclusion process

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**Relation with generator**  $L^{\text{SEP}}$

Recall:

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Let

$$Y = \frac{1}{2} \left( 1 \otimes \Omega + \Omega \otimes 1 - \Delta(\Omega) \right),$$

then

$$L^{\text{SEP}} = \sum_{i=1}^{N-1} (Y_{i,i+1} - 2j^2)$$

## Self-duality functions for SEP(2j) from symmetries

Three types of (factorized) duality functions:

$$\textcircled{1} D_p^{\text{ch}}(x, y) = \prod_{i=1}^N \binom{2j}{x_i}^{-1} \left( \frac{p}{1-p} \right)^{-x_i} \delta_{x_i, y_i}$$

$$\textcircled{2} D_p^{\text{tr}}(x, y) = \prod_{i=1}^N \frac{x_i!(2j-y_i)!}{(x_i-y_i)!(2j)!} \left( \frac{1-p}{p} \right)^{y_i} \mathbb{1}_{y_i \leq x_i}$$

$$\textcircled{3} D_p^{\text{or}}(x, y) = \prod_{i=1}^N {}_2F_1 \left( \begin{matrix} -x_i, -y_i \\ -2j \end{matrix}; \frac{1}{p} \right) = \prod_{i=1}^N K_y(x; p, 2j)$$

**Theorem:**

- $D_p^{\text{tr}}(x, y) = C [\exp(E) D_p^{\text{ch}}(\cdot, y)](x)$
- $D_p^{\text{or}}(x, y) = C [S_{\alpha(p), \beta(p)} D_p^{\text{ch}}(\cdot, y)](x)$  with  $S_{\alpha, \beta} = \exp(\beta(E - F)) \exp(i\alpha H)$

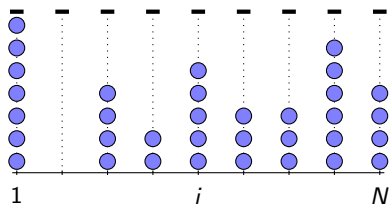
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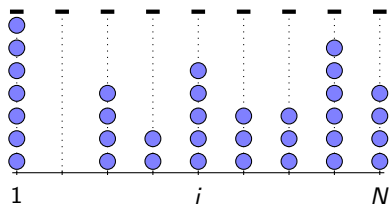
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# The quantum algebra $\mathcal{U}_q(\mathfrak{su}(2))$

**Generators:**  $K, K^{-1}, E$  and  $F$

**Relations:**

$$\begin{aligned}KK^{-1} &= 1 = K^{-1}K, \\KE &= qEK, \quad KF = q^{-1}FK, \\EF - FE &= \frac{K^2 - K^{-2}}{q - q^{-1}}.\end{aligned}$$

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**Casimir:**  $\Omega = \frac{q^{-1}K^2 + qK^{-2} - 2}{(q^{-1} - q)^2} + EF$  satisfies

- $[\Omega, X] = 0$  for all  $X \in \mathcal{U}_q(\mathfrak{su}(2))$
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## Process generator:

$$L^{\text{ASEP}} = G(x)^{-1} \left( \sum_{i=1}^{N-1} \Delta(\Omega)_{i,i+1} - \frac{(q^{2j} - q^{-2j})(q^{2j+1} - q^{-2j-1})}{(q - q^{-1})^2} \right) G(x).$$

# Self-duality functions from symmetries

**$q$ -Exponential functions:**

$$E_{q^2}(x) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{q^{n(n-1)} x^n}{(q^2; q^2)_n} = (-x; q^2)_{\infty}, \quad e_{q^2}(x) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{x^n}{(q^2; q^2)_n} = \frac{1}{(x; q^2)_{\infty}}$$

**Symmetries:**

$$S_{\alpha} = e_{q^2} \left( \sqrt{\alpha} (1 - q^2) \Delta^{N-1} (KE) \right)$$
$$\widehat{S}_{\alpha} = E_{q^2} \left( \sqrt{\alpha} q^{-j(1+2N)} (1 - q^2) \Delta^{N-1} (K^{-1}E) \right).$$

**Self-duality functions:**

- $D_{\alpha}^{\text{tr}}(x, y) = [G^{-1} S_{\alpha} G D_{\alpha}^{\text{ch}}(\cdot, y)](x) = \prod_{i=1}^N \frac{\binom{x_i}{y_i}_q}{\binom{2j}{x_i}_q} q^{x_i(2N_{i-1}^-(y)+y_i)+4jy_i} \alpha^{y_i} \mathbb{1}_{y_i \leq x_i}$
- $\widehat{D}_{\alpha}^{\text{tr}}(x, y) = [G^{-1} \widehat{S}_{\alpha} G D_{\alpha}^{\text{ch}}(\cdot, y)](x) = \prod_{i=1}^N \frac{\binom{x_i}{y_i}_q}{\binom{2j}{x_i}_q} q^{-y_i(2N_{i-1}^-(x)+x_i)-4jy_i} \alpha^{y_i} \mathbb{1}_{y_i \leq x_i}$

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**Theorem:** Let  $d_1, d_2, \tilde{d}_1$  and  $\tilde{d}_2$  be self-duality functions satisfying

$$\langle d_1(x, \cdot), d_2(\cdot, y) \rangle_\alpha = \frac{\delta_{x,y}}{w_\beta(x)}, \quad \langle \tilde{d}_2(x, \cdot), \tilde{d}_1(\cdot, y) \rangle_\beta = \frac{\delta_{x,y}}{w_\alpha(x)}.$$

Then the functions

$$D(x, y) = \langle \tilde{d}_1(x, \cdot), d_1(y, \cdot) \rangle_\alpha, \quad \tilde{D}(x, y) = \langle \tilde{d}_2(\cdot, x), d_2(\cdot, y) \rangle_\alpha$$

satisfy the biorthogonality relations

$$\langle D(\cdot, y), \tilde{D}(\cdot, y') \rangle_\beta = \frac{\delta_{y,y'}}{w_\beta(y)}.$$

## Biorthogonal self-duality functions for ASEP( $q, 2j$ )

**Biorthogonality for triangular self-dualities:**  $\langle D_{1/\alpha q}^{\text{tr}}(x, \cdot), \widehat{D}_{-q/\beta}^{\text{tr}}(\cdot, y) \rangle_{-\alpha} = \frac{\delta_{x,y}}{w_{\beta}(x)}$

**New biorthogonal self-duality functions:**

Use theorem with

$$d_1 = D_{1/\alpha q}^{\text{tr}}, \quad \tilde{d}_1 = \widehat{D}_{q/\alpha}^{\text{tr}}, \quad d_2 = \widehat{D}_{-q/\alpha}^{\text{tr}}, \quad \tilde{d}_2 = D_{-1/\alpha q}^{\text{tr}},$$

then

$$D_{\alpha}(x, y) = \prod_{i=1}^N {}_2\varphi_1 \left( \begin{matrix} q^{-2x_i}, q^{-2y_i} \\ q^{-4j} \end{matrix} ; q^2, \frac{1}{\alpha} q^{1+2y_i+2N_{i+1}^+(y)-2N_{i-1}^-(x)+2j(2i-1)} \right)$$

$$\tilde{D}_{\alpha}(x, y) = c(x)\tilde{c}(y)D_{\alpha}(x, y)$$

satisfy

$$\langle D_{\alpha}(\cdot, y), \tilde{D}_{\alpha}(\cdot, y') \rangle_{\alpha} = \frac{\delta_{x,y}}{w_{\alpha}(y)}.$$

**Remark:**  $D_{\alpha}$  is a nested product of quantum  $q$ -Krawtchouk polynomials

$$K_n(q^{-x}; p, c; q) = {}_2\varphi_1 \left( \begin{matrix} q^{-x}, q^{-n} \\ q^{-c} \end{matrix} ; q; pq^{n+1} \right)$$

## Orthogonal self-duality functions

**Theorem:** The function

$$D_{\alpha}^{\text{or}}(x, y) = \prod_{i=1}^N K_{y_i}(q^{-2x_i}; p_{i,\alpha}(x, y), 2j; q^2)$$

is a self-duality functions for ASEP( $q, 2j$ ), satisfying

$$\langle D_{\alpha}^{\text{or}}(\cdot, y), D_{\alpha}^{\text{or}}(\cdot, y') \rangle_{\omega_{\alpha}} = \frac{\delta_{y,y'}}{\omega_{\alpha}(y)}$$

where  $\omega_{\alpha}(x) = w_{\alpha}(x)c(x)$  with  $c(x)$  a function of the total number of particles.



## From scalar products to symmetries

In matrix notation:

- $D^{\text{or}} = \widehat{D}^{\text{tr}} G^2 (D^{\text{tr}})^T$  with  $G = (\sqrt{w(x)} \delta_{x,y})$
- $D^{\text{tr}} = G^{-1} S G^{-1}$  with  $S = e_{q^2} (\sqrt{\alpha} (1 - q^2) \Delta^{N-1} (KE))$
- $\widehat{D}^{\text{tr}} = G^{-1} \widehat{S} G^{-1}$  with  $\widehat{S} = E_{q^2} (\sqrt{\alpha} q^{-j(1+2N)} (1 - q^2) \Delta^{N-1} (K^{-1}E))$

Then

$$D^{\text{or}} = G^{-1} \widehat{S} S^* G^{-1},$$

or equivalently

$$D^{\text{or}}(x, y) = [G^{-1} \widehat{S} S^* G D^{\text{ch}}(\cdot, y)](x).$$

# Thanks for your attention!

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