

Counting points in boxes : the Riesz family & friends

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Riesz interactions

- ▶ Riesz interaction, parameter s dimension d :

$$g_{s,d}(x) := \frac{1}{s} \|x\|^{-s} \text{ in } \mathbb{R}^d.$$

“Long-range” if $s \in [d - 2, d)$, “short-range” if $s \in (d, +\infty)$.
Will focus on $s \geq d - 2$.

- ▶ Special cases:

- ▶ $s = d - 2$ is the Coulomb kernel (cf. Sylvia's talk):

$$-|x| \quad (d = 1), \quad -\log |x| \quad (d = 2), \quad \frac{1}{|x|} \quad (d = 3).$$

- ▶ $s = 0, d = 1, 2$ corresponds to $-\log |x|$ (logarithmic interaction).
- ▶ Fundamental solution of fractional Laplacian $-\Delta^{\frac{d-s}{2}} g_{s,d} \propto \delta_0$.
Examples: true Laplacian for $s = d - 2$ (Coulomb cases),
half-laplacian for one-dimensional log-gas.

Riesz system

- ▶ N point charges with pairwise interaction through Riesz kernel
- ▶ ∞ point charges with pairwise interaction through Riesz kernel

The second case requires a definition, especially in the “long-range case” $s \leq d$ for which:

$$\int_0^{+\infty} g_{s,d}(r) r^{d-1} dr = +\infty.$$

- ▶ The effect of one particle at 0 is **felt everywhere in the system**.
- ▶ Interaction energy is **not spatially additive** (even up to a small error).
- ▶ What is the energy of an infinite system (even **per unit volume**)?

Finite Riesz system - energy

- ▶ $d \geq 1, N \geq 1$
- ▶ $s \in (d - 2, d)$ (long-range) or $s \in [d, +\infty)$ (short-range / hypersingular).
- ▶ $X_N := (x_1, \dots, x_N)$ positions of point particles in \mathbb{R}^d
- ▶ Riesz interaction energy:

$$\frac{1}{2} \sum_{1 \leq i \neq j \leq N} g_s(x_i - x_j).$$

- ▶ $V_N : \mathbb{R}^d \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ external potential/field/weight, fairly smooth.
- ▶ Total energy of the system in state X_N :

$$H_N^V(X_N) := \frac{1}{2} \sum_{1 \leq i \neq j \leq N} g(x_i - x_j) + \sum_{i=1}^N V_N(x_i).$$

Riesz gas - Gibbs measure

(Finite) Riesz gas

- ▶ $\beta > 0$ inverse temperature parameter (may depend on N)
- ▶ **Canonical Gibbs measure**

$$d\mathbb{P}_{N,\beta}(X_N) := \frac{1}{Z_{N,\beta}} \exp\left(-\beta H_N^V(X_N)\right) dX_N$$

- ▶ $Z_{N,\beta}$ partition function:

$$Z_{N,\beta} := \int_{\mathbb{R}^d \times \dots \times \mathbb{R}^d} \exp\left(-\beta H_N(X_N)\right) dX_N.$$

Alternative to V : choose a density μ supported in a domain Σ and take $\prod_{i=1}^N \mu(x_i) dx_i$ as a reference measure. In physics papers: the background density μ = the uniform measure on a large box of volume N .

Defines a **three-parameter family** of stat. mech. systems (d, s, β) : called (here) the **(finite-N) “Riesz gases”**. These form finite point processes on \mathbb{R}^d (could look at manifolds...). In some cases, the $N \rightarrow \infty$ (**“thermodynamic limit”**) exists = infinite/**limiting point process**.

These are the points we would like to “count”.

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- ▶ For fixed d , the parameter s **determines the “long-range-ness”** (behavior at infinity) and the singularity = **repulsion at the origin**. Coulomb cases $s = d - 2$ are *very* long-range, $s = d$ not so much, $d \ll s$ is short-range but *very* singular.
- ▶ Extra temperature parameter $\beta \rightarrow$ stat. phys. **Transitions as β varies?**
- ▶ Role of V ? Universality?

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- ▶ The **1d Coulomb gas** $d = 1, s = -1, \beta > 0$ was studied by **Kunz, Baxter**. Admits a particularly nice structure.

Some friends

- ▶ **Zeroes of Gaussian Analytic Functions (GAF).** $(a_k)_{k \geq 0}$ iid standard complex Gaussian r.v.

$$f(z) = \sum_{k=0}^{+\infty} \frac{a_k}{\sqrt{k!}} z^k.$$

Almost surely an entire function \rightarrow random infinite collection of points in \mathbb{C} . Invariant under isometries. Some kind of algebraic structure for correlation functions, but mostly analytic techniques.

A good friend of the Ginibre point process!

- ▶ Lattices, lattices + shift, **lattices + random iid perturbations** (+ shift). Potential friends of Riesz gases as $\beta \rightarrow +\infty$ (energy minimization).
- ▶ **Poisson process:** a reference & friend of Riesz gases as $\beta \rightarrow 0$.

More friends?

- ▶ Zeroes of Kac polynomials: a finite point process in \mathbb{R}^2 . The zeroes gather around the unit circle. Could be compared (to some extent) to 1d log-gases, to circular ensembles.
- ▶ Various random analytic functions in various domains.
- ▶ Hierarchical models (à la Dyson).
- ▶ Discrete particle systems (discrete β -ensembles).
- ▶ Your favorite point process?

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X the random point configuration: N points in a domain Λ_N or infinitely many points in \mathbb{R}^d .

Take $\Lambda \subset \Lambda_N$ or $\Lambda \subset \mathbb{R}^d$. Number of points $\#\mathbf{X} \cap \Lambda$ random.

1. N points in Λ_N . Assume volume $|\Lambda_N| = N$. Is it true that:

$$\mathbb{E}[\#\mathbf{X} \cap \Lambda] = |\Lambda| \text{ ??}$$

→ not even clear (**at all**).

2. Infinite system in \mathbb{R}^d , if **stationary** then constant **intensity** (assume = 1), and we have:

$$\mathbb{E}[\#\mathbf{X} \cap \Lambda] = |\Lambda| \text{ for every finite box } \Lambda.$$

Relevant quantities: $\#\mathbf{X} \cap \Lambda - |\Lambda|$ (**discrepancy**)
 $\#\mathbf{X} \cap \Lambda - \mathbb{E}[\#\mathbf{X} \cap \Lambda]$ (**charge fluctuation**).

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- ▶ Hyperuniformity \leftrightarrow control of typical discrepancy. Related notion: **equidistribution** (maximal discrepancy).

(Number-)rigidity

Fix $\Lambda \subset \mathbb{R}^d$ bounded. Knowing $\mathbf{X} \cap \Lambda^c$, can I determine:

- ▶ $\#\mathbf{X} \cap \Lambda$? Yes \rightarrow **number-rigid**. (not relevant for fixed N .)
- ▶ The center of mass in Λ ? Yes \rightarrow 2-rigid (“center of mass”-rigid).
- ▶ Higher moments of \mathbf{X} in Λ (think $\Lambda \subset \mathbb{R}$ or \mathcal{C})? \rightarrow higher-rigidity.
- ▶ $\mathbf{X} \cap \Lambda$ completely ?! Yes \rightarrow **fully rigid**.

S. Ghosh, Peres, Lebowitz

Remark: there are non-deterministic examples of high/full rigidity!
(Ghosh-Krishnapur, Kiro-Nishry).

The JLM law

Assume we know $\mathbb{E}[\#\mathbf{X} \cap \Lambda] = |\Lambda|$ (e.g. infinite, translation-invariant system). Consider charge fluctuations $\#\mathbf{X} \cap \Lambda - |\Lambda|$. Ask:

$$\mathbb{P}[\#\mathbf{X} \cap \Lambda - |\Lambda| \geq Q] \simeq ?$$

Deviation estimates for large excess/defects of particles?

Depending on how large Q is (regimes of deviations), the price to pay might differ.

The **Jancovici-Lebowitz-Manificat** law (for $d = 2$).

$$\mathbb{P}[\#\mathbf{X} \cap B(0, R) - \pi R^2 \geq R^\alpha] \simeq \exp\left(-R^{\varphi(\alpha)}\right),$$

with

$$\varphi(\alpha) = \begin{cases} 2\alpha - 1 & \alpha \in (\frac{1}{2}, 1) \\ 3\alpha - 2 & \alpha \in (1, 2) \\ 2\alpha & \alpha > 2. \end{cases}$$

Other prediction for $d = 3$. This is (much) stronger than “type I hyperuniform”.

Ginibre

Recall: Ginibre = Coulomb gas $d = 2, s = 0$ at $\beta = 2$. For the infinite system:

- ▶ $\mathbb{E}[\#\mathbf{X} \cap \Lambda] = |\Lambda|$
- ▶ $\text{Var}[\#\mathbf{X} \cap B(0, R)] \simeq R^1$. Type I hyperuniform.
- ▶ Satisfies the prediction of JLM.
- ▶ Number-rigid.

For $\beta \neq 2$, we don't know. Hyperuniformity true for hierarchical model (Chatterjee).

Sine-2 and Sine- β

Recall: GUE = log gas $d = 1, s = 0$ at $\beta = 2$. For the infinite system:

- ▶ $\mathbb{E}[\#\mathbf{X} \cap \Lambda] = |\Lambda|$
- ▶ $\text{Var}[\#\mathbf{X} \cap B(0, R)] \simeq \log R$. Type II hyperuniform Costin-Lebowitz.
- ▶ Number-rigid. Bufetov, Bufetov-Nikitin-Qiu
- ▶ Deviation estimates ??

In fact for all β , it holds Kritchevski-Valkó-Virág, Killip, Najnudel-Virág

$$\text{Var}[\#\mathbf{X} \cap B(0, R)] \simeq \frac{\log R}{\beta}.$$

Sine- β is number rigid $\forall \beta$ Chhaibi-Najnudel, Dereudre-Hardy-L.-Maïda.

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- ▶ Poisson ($\beta \rightarrow 0$). Nothing at all.

Remark: Sine- β goes to Poisson as $\beta \rightarrow 0$ (while retaining some rigidity) and to a shifted \mathbb{Z} as $\beta \rightarrow +\infty$ while fluctuating a bit more.

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Remark: we know that for $d = 1$, $s = -1$ (Coulomb) is more rigid than $s = 0$ (log-gas), **despite being less repulsive**.
Possible motto: **long-range, rather than repulsion, is responsible for “cancellation of charge fluctuations”**.

Role of temperature

- ▶ Those were β -independent statements. Unclear whether there are β -dependent properties (e.g. 3d Coulomb gases are rigid at low temperatures, not at higher ones?? in the spirit of Peres-Sly).

There has been some interest in very low/high temperature regimes. Take $\beta = \beta(N)$.

- ▶ If $\beta(N) \rightarrow +\infty$ (low temp.) we see energy minimizers (a lattice)? Might break translation invariance, so charge fluctuations might not be centered. The regime $\beta(N) = \log N$ might already be interesting in $1d$ (since $\text{Var}(\mathbf{X} \cap I) \propto \frac{\log |I|}{\beta}$), and in $2d$ (Ameur, equidistribution).
- ▶ If $\beta(N) \rightarrow 0$ (high temp.) We see Poisson in the limit, however the system might stay rigid for a while. A “rigidity scale” appears, it depends on β and on the property of interest. There is local disorder, but some order lingers at large mesoscales. Armstrong-Serfaty, Lambert, Hardy-Lambert, Akemann-Byun.

Tools - I

“The electric energy controls the fluctuations”

For some dual norm $\|\cdot\|_*$ one gets:

$$\left\| \sum_{i=1}^N \delta_{x_i} - \mathbf{1}\Lambda_N(x) dx \right\|_* \preceq H_N^V(X_N)$$

+ all sorts of controls on the energy H_N^V (large deviation principle, local laws...) \implies control on the “fluctuation measure”

$$\sum_{i=1}^N \delta_{x_i} - \mathbf{1}\Lambda_N(x) dx.$$

Problem: the dual norm may require more regularity than indicator functions possess. Need to mollify and lose precision.

In certain cases, $\mathbf{1}_\Lambda$ is an acceptable test function, e.g. for $d = 1, s \in (0, 1)$ (**Boursier**). In general, need $\frac{d-s}{2}$ derivatives in L^2 .

Tools - II

This approach gives preliminary bounds (L. - Serfaty)

$$\text{Var} [\#\mathbf{X} \cap B(0, R)] = O(R^{d+s}).$$

For $d = 1, s = 0$ gives R instead of $\log R$. For $d = 2, s = 0$ only says “not worse than Poisson”. Exponent probably off by 1.

Finer arguments

CLT-like arguments (cf. Sylvia’s talk) for fluctuation of linear statistics. Test function \rightarrow change of potential \rightarrow local change of density \rightarrow comparison of partition functions... Gives fine controls on fluctuations, but requires even higher regularity (hence even worse mollification issues when treating an indicator function).

Might grant access to e.g. intermediate regime of the JLM prediction but not the finest level.

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A working-able strategy

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3. Apply Bernstein's inequality. Tail probability: $\exp\left(-\frac{R^{2\alpha-1}}{M}\right)$.

Comments

- ▶ For the first step (**locate the excess near the boundary of the disk.**), NSV use analytic techniques. JLM have an electrostatic justification. We can use the “fine” estimates for fluctuations of smooth functions.
- ▶ For step 2.1: well-separated pieces are almost independent? True for GAF (Gaussian functions with almost orthogonal Gaussian coefficients...), true for Riesz systems (after conditioning on the number of points in each piece).
- ▶ In fact, what is lacking is step 2.3: no reason for the charge fluctuations to be centered...
- ▶ In a remarkable way, one finds almost independence in a system of points/particles which are **far** from iid. And indeed, iid particles would never be any close to hyperuniformity and JLM prediction...

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3. Universality w.r.t. interaction? Phase portrait as s, d varies among the Riesz family, does it extend if g is only assumed to decay as $\|x\|^{-s}$, with a different repulsion at the origin (e.g. Lennard-Jones potentials)? What exactly is the interplay of repulsion and long-range?

Thank you for your attention!