

# A combinatorial formula for Interpolation Macdonald polynomials

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# Overview

## Macdonald polynomials (homogeneous polynomials)

- Introduced by Macdonald in 1989,
- Related to the space of diagonal harmonics (Bergeron–Garsia '99), to geometry of Hilbert scheme (Haiman '03).
- Have combinatorial interpretation in terms of tableaux (Haglund–Haiman–Loehr '05), vertex-models (Borodin–Wheeler '19), multiline queues (Corteel–Mandelstam–Williams '22).
- When  $q = 1$ , they encode the distributions of the ASEP model (Cantini–de Gier–Wheeler '15), and the  $t$ -PushTASEP model (Ayyer–Martin–Williams '25).

## Interpolation Macdonald polynomials (inhomogeneous polynomials)

- Introduced by Knop and Sahi in 1996, further studied by Lassalle and Okounkov.
- A Cauchy type identity (Olshansky '17).
- In the Jack limit, they have been shown to be monomial positive (Naqvi–Sahi–Sergel '23).
- Related to the knot theory of  $\mathfrak{gl}_n$  (Beliakova–Gorsky '24).
- **Today:** A combinatorial formula in terms of *signed multiline queues*.
- **Application:** A probabilistic model (analogue to  $t$ -PushTASEP).

# Plan of the talk

- Interpolation ASEP polynomials  $f_\mu^*$  and Interpolation symmetric polynomials  $P_\lambda^*$ ,
- Multiline queues and the combinatorial formula for homogeneous polynomials  $f_\mu$  and  $P_\lambda$  (Corteel–Mandelshtam–Williams),
- Main result: Signed multiline queues and the combinatorial formula for the interpolation polynomials  $f_\mu^*$  and  $P_\lambda^*$ ,
- Sketch of the proof,
- Application: factorization property.

## Notation:

$g^*$ : will denote an interpolation polynomial (inhomogeneous)

$g$ : the homogeneous polynomial obtained from  $g$  by taking the top degree part.

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$$k_i(\mu) := \#\{j : j < i \text{ and } \mu_j > \mu_i\} + \#\{j : j > i \text{ and } \mu_j \geq \mu_i\}, \text{ and}$$
$$\tilde{\mu} := \left( q^{\mu_1} t^{-k_1(\mu)}, \dots, q^{\mu_n} t^{-k_n(\mu)} \right).$$

**Example:** When  $\mu = (4, 2, 0, 1, 4)$  we have  $\tilde{\mu} = (q^4 t^{-1}, q^2 t^{-2}, t^{-4}, q t^{-3}, q^4)$ . For a polynomial  $f(x_1, \dots, x_n)$  and  $\mu \in \mathbb{N}^n$ , define  $f(\tilde{\mu}) = f(\tilde{\mu}_1, \dots, \tilde{\mu}_n)$ .

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The first two conditions are equivalent to:

$$E_\mu^* = x^\mu + \sum_{\substack{\nu: |\nu| \leq |\mu| \\ \nu \neq \mu}} a_\nu x^\nu, \quad \text{for some } a_\nu^\nu \in \mathbb{Q}(q, t).$$

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**Example:**  $n = 1$  and  $\mu = (k)$ . We want

$$f_{(k)}^*(x) = x^k + a_{k-1}x^{k-1} + \dots + a_0,$$

$$f_{(k)}^*(q^m) = 0 \quad \text{for } 0 \leq m < k,$$

We then have

$$f_{(k)}^*(x) = (x - 1)(x - q) \dots (x - q^{k-1}).$$

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**Example:**  $n = 2$  and  $\mu = (0, 2)$ .

$$f_{(0,2)}^*(x_1, x_2) = x_2^2 + ax_1x_2 + bx_1 + cx_2 + d,$$

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In particular,

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$$m_{(2,1,0)}(x_1, x_2, x_3) = x_1^2 x_2 + x_1^2 x_3 + x_2^2 x_3 + x_1 x_2^2 + x_1 x_3^2 + x_2 x_3^2.$$

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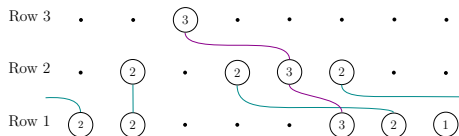
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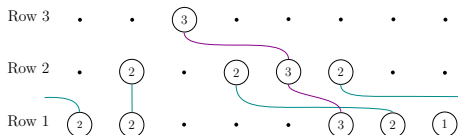
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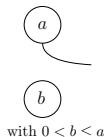
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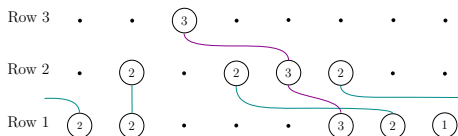
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The **type** of a multiline queue is the composition  $\mu$  obtained by reading the labels in row 1.

- $n = \# \text{columns in the multiline queue} = \# \text{parts of } \mu$ .
- $L = \# \text{rows in the multiline queue} = \text{the size of the maximal part in } \mu$ .



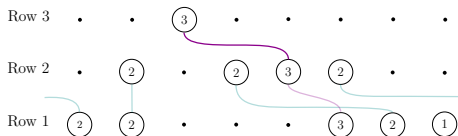
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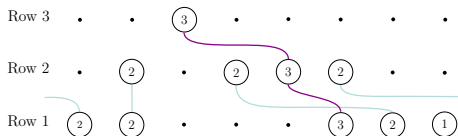
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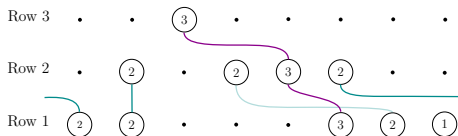
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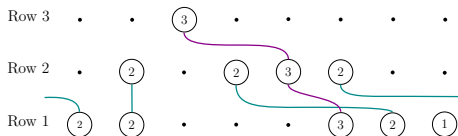
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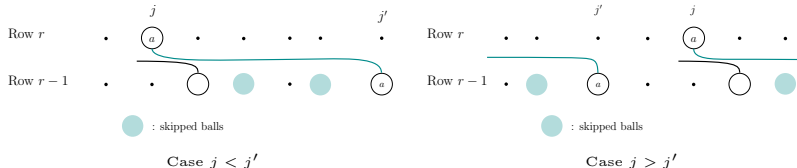
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$\text{free}(p)$ : balls not yet paired in row  $r - 1$ ,

$\text{skip}(p)$ : free balls which have been skipped by  $p$ .



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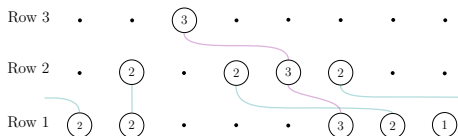
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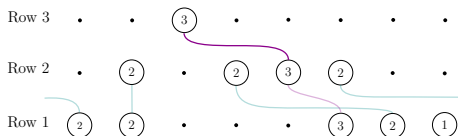
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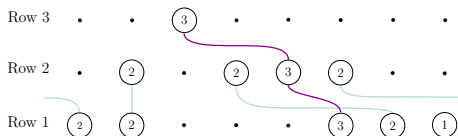
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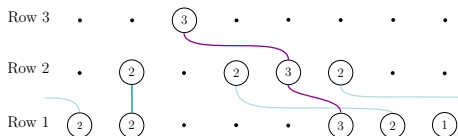
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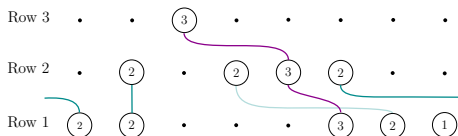
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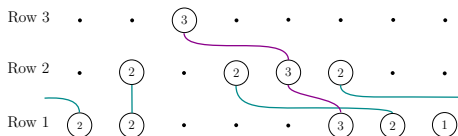
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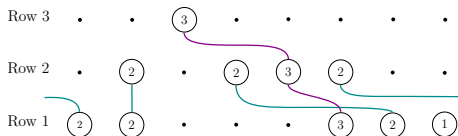
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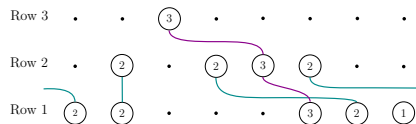
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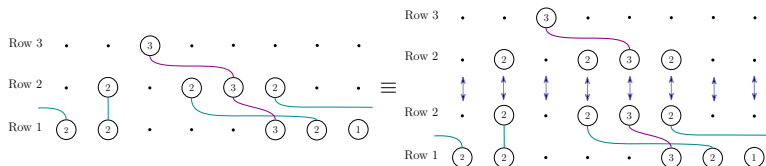
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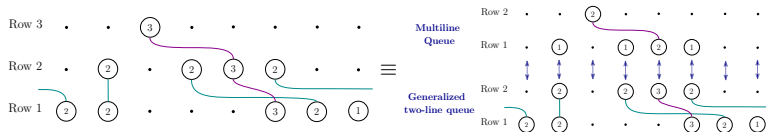
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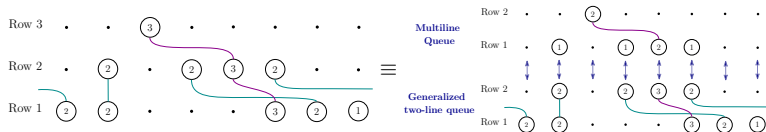
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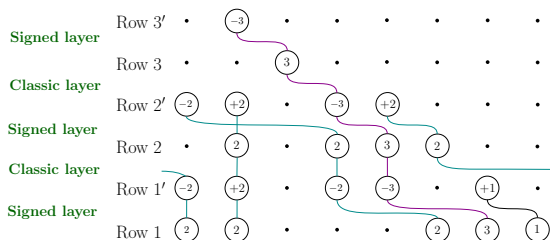
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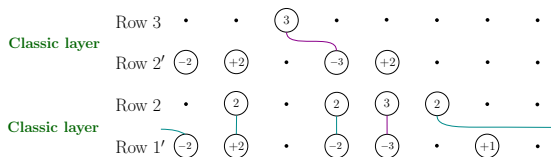
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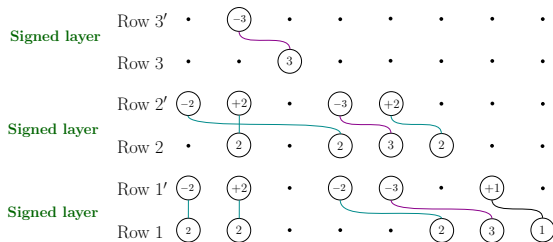
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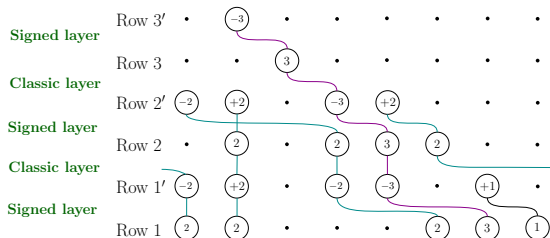


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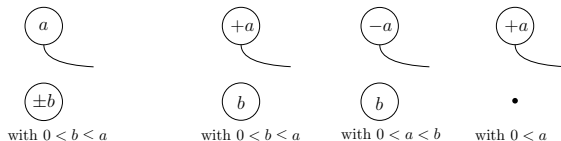
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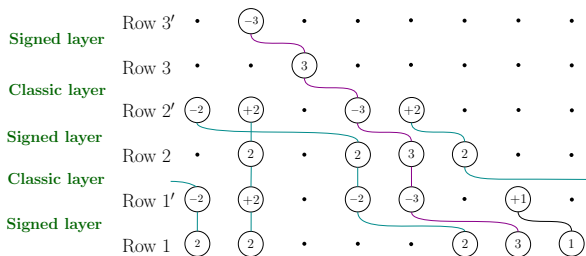
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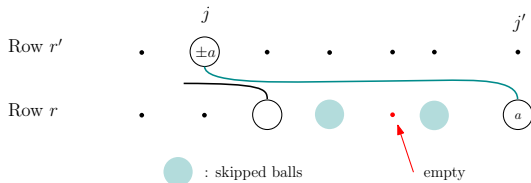
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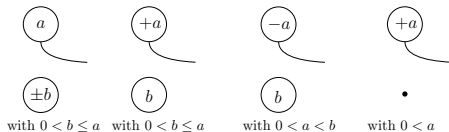
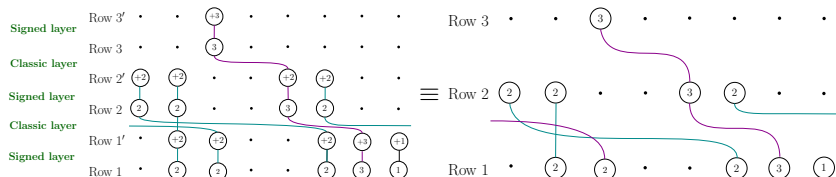
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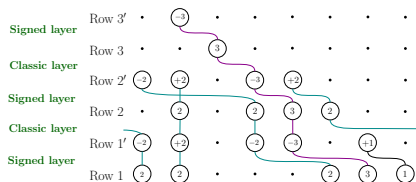
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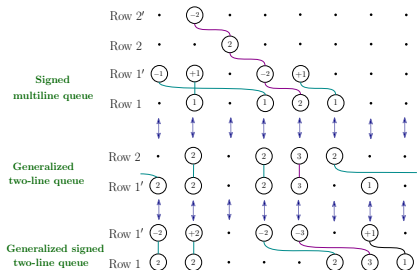
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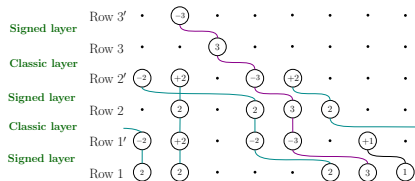
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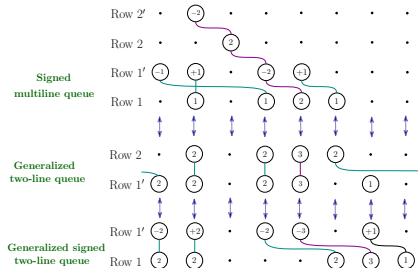
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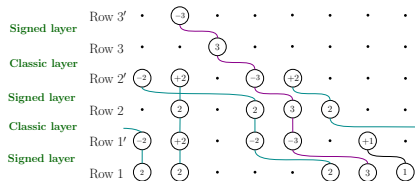


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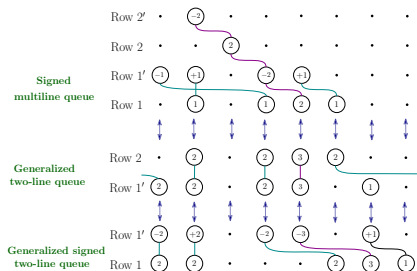
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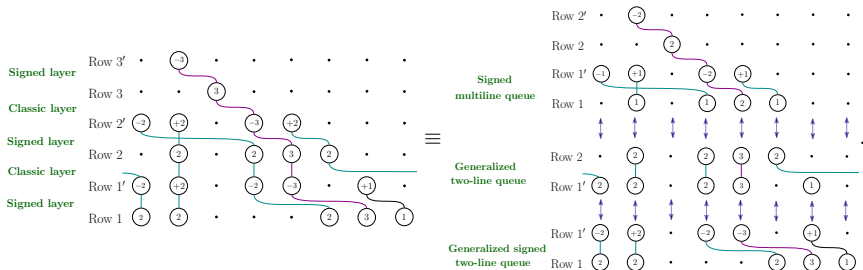
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**Hint:** Extract the top homogeneous coefficient and use the formula of Corteel–Mandelshtam–Williams.

# Algebraic decomposition

Define  $\text{Pack}(k, n)$  as the set of compositions  $\mu \in \mathbb{N}^n$  such that  $\mu_i \neq 0$  if and only if  $1 \leq i \leq k$ .

**Example:**  $(2, 3, 1, 0, 0) \in \text{Pack}(3, 5)$ .

## Theorem

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# Action of Hecke operators

*Do the interpolation polynomials satisfy the  $qKZ$  equations?*

- We have the same action of the Hecke operators as in the homogeneous case,
- there is no analogue for the circular symmetry property.

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## Proposition

For any composition  $\mu$ , we have

$$T_i f_\mu^* = \begin{cases} f_{s_i \mu}^* & \text{if } \mu_i > \mu_{i+1}, \\ t f_\mu^* & \text{if } \mu_i = \mu_{i+1}, \\ t f_{s_i \mu}^* - (1 - t) f_\mu^* & \text{if } \mu_i < \mu_{i+1} \end{cases}.$$

Any  $f_\mu^*$  can be obtained from the packed case using Hecke operators.

# Unpacking procedure

**Recall:** We want to prove that

$$f_{\mu}^*(x_1, \dots, x_n) = \sum_{\alpha \in \mathbb{Z}^n} \sum_{\lambda \in \mathbb{N}^n} A_{\mu}^{\alpha} \text{wt}_{\alpha} B_{|\alpha|}^{\lambda} q^{|\lambda^-|} f_{\lambda^-}^* \left( \frac{x_1}{q}, \dots, \frac{x_n}{q} \right),$$

checked for packed  $\mu$ .

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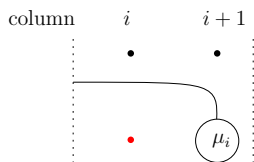
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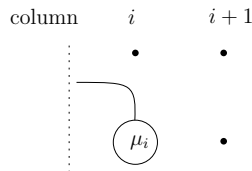
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We check that the combinatorial coefficients  $B_{\mu}^{\alpha}$  satisfy the recursion obtained from the Hecke algebra.

**Example:** Let's check that if  $\alpha_i = \alpha_{i+1} = 0$ , we have  $B_{s_i\mu}^{\alpha} = tB_{\mu}^{\alpha}$ .



A generalized signed two-line queue with bottom row  $s_i\mu$  and top row  $\alpha$ :



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The **empty** statistic of the pairing in the diagram increases by 1 when we go from the right figure to the left one.

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## Conventions and notation:

- A particle labeled 0 will be called a **vacancy**.
- There exists at least one part of size 0 in  $\lambda$  (the system has at least one vacancy).
- We assume that  $0 < t < 1$  and that  $x_i > 0$  for  $1 \leq i \leq n$ .
- We denote  $[m]_t$  the  $t$ -integer

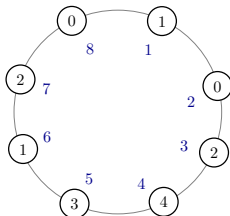
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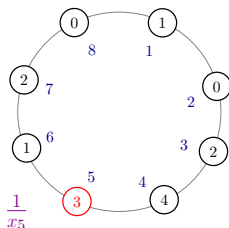
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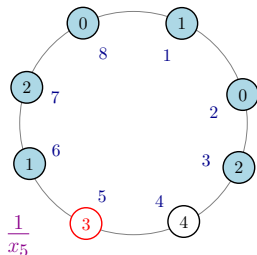
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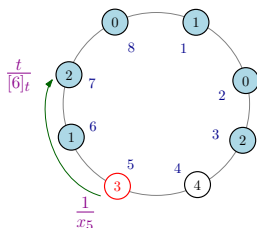
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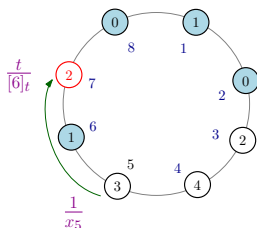
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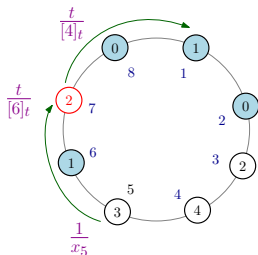
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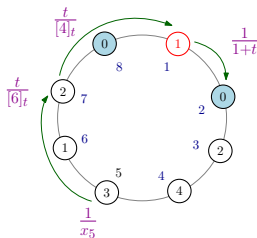
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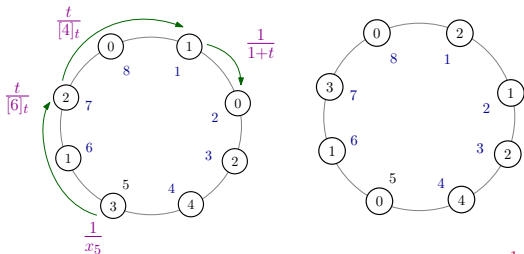
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A transition of  $t$ -PushTASEP with probability  $\frac{1}{x_5} \left( \sum_{1 \leq i \leq 6} \frac{1}{x_i} \right)^{-1} \frac{t}{[6]_t} \frac{t}{[6]_t} \frac{1}{1+t}$ .

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**Remark:** The dynamics can equivalently be described as follows: each time the active particle passes a site with a weaker particle,

- it continues to move with probability  $t$ ,
- and settles at that site with probability  $(1 - t)$ , displacing and activating the particle that is located there.

If it passes the  $m$ th such site, then it continues cyclically around the ring.

**Totally asymmetric:** particles only move clockwise.

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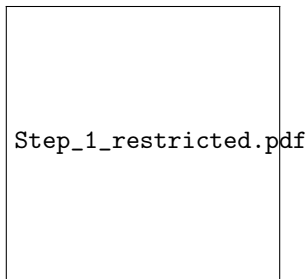
## Theorem (Ayyer–Martin–Williams '25)

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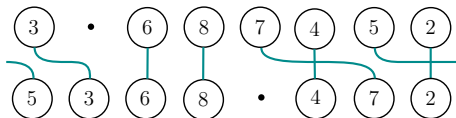
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# Correspondence between MLQ and transitions in the PushTASEP

We can encode the transitions in the PushTASEP using Generalized two-line queues.



A transition of the  $t$ -PushTASEP



The corresponding two-line queue.

# The Interpolation PushTASEP model

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$$\mathfrak{p}_k := \frac{t^{-n+1}(1-t)}{x_k - t^{-n+2}}, \quad \text{and} \quad \mathfrak{q}_k := \frac{(1-t)x_k}{x_k - t^{-n+2}}.$$

- We assume that  $0 < t < 1$  and that  $x_i > t^{-n+1}$  for  $1 \leq i \leq n$ . Under these hypotheses on the parameters, the quantities  $\mathfrak{p}_k$  and  $\mathfrak{q}_k$  are probabilities.

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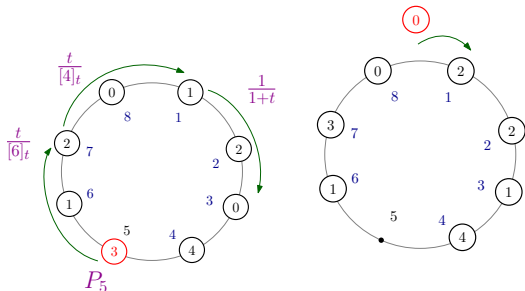
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The dynamics are as follows:

**Step 0** We choose the particle in the  $j$ -th position with probability  $P_j$  proportional to

$$\prod_{k < j} \left( x_k - \frac{1}{t^{n-2}} \right) \prod_{k > j} \left( x_k - \frac{1}{t^{n-1}} \right).$$

**Step 1** The particle at position  $j$ , say with label  $a$ , is activated, and starts traveling clockwise according to the rules of the (classical)  $t$ -Push TASEP.



Step 1 of the interpolation  $t$ -PushTASEP

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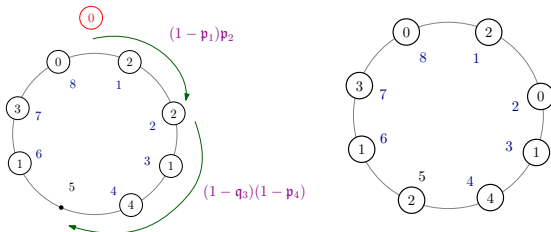
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**Step 2** The last activated particle in Step 1 labeled  $a := 0$ , now goes to position 1 and starts traveling clockwise. When the activated particle labeled  $a$  gets to site  $k$  for  $1 \leq k \leq j - 1$  containing a particle with label  $b \geq 0$ , it settles at that site (displacing and activating the site's particle) with probability

$$\begin{cases} p_k & \text{if } b > a, \\ q_k & \text{if } b < a \end{cases}$$

The activated particle always settles at position  $j$  with probability 1.



Step 2 of the interpolation  $t$ -PushTASEP

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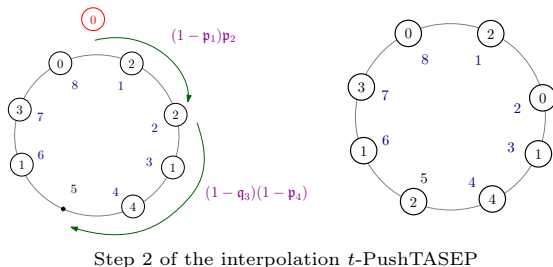
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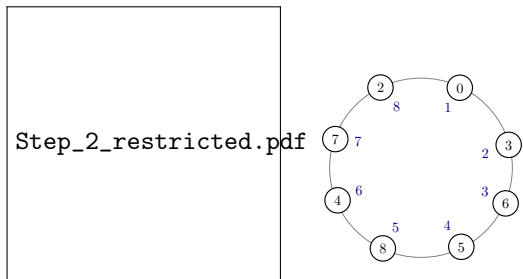
- Unlike in the classical PushTASEP, this interpolation model is not invariant under rotation.
- In Step 2, the active particle can push both weaker and stronger particles.
- When  $x_i \gg 1$ , we recover the classical PushTASEP:

$$p_k := \frac{t^{-n+1}(1-t)}{x_k - t^{-n+2}} \longrightarrow 0,$$

the active particle cannot push a stronger particle and Step 2 is **trivial**.

# Correspondence between signed multiline queues and transitions in the interpolation PushTASEP

- We can encode the transitions in Step 1 of the interpolation PushTASEP using generalized two-line queues.
- We can encode the transitions in Step 2 of the interpolation PushTASEP using **signed** generalized two-line queues:



A transition in Step 2 of the interpolation PushTASEP

