

Hydrodynamic limits for $(2+1)$ -dimensional interface growth models in the AKPZ class

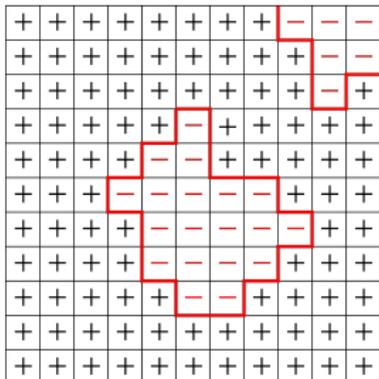
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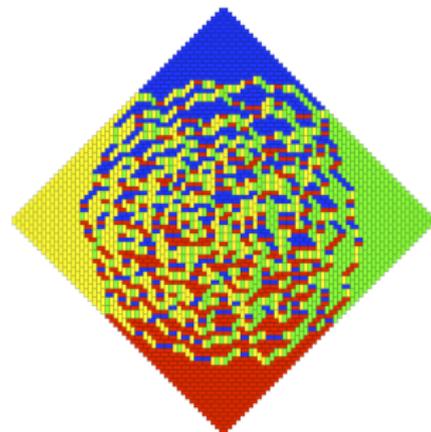
Interfaces in Statistical physics



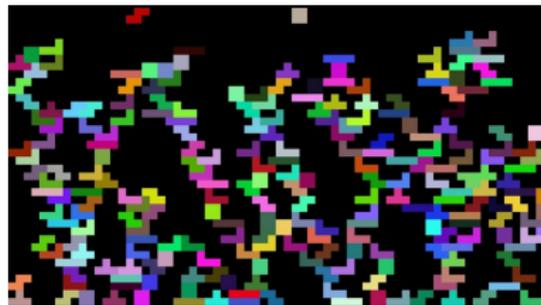
Spin dynamics (Ising model)



Eden model (First Passage Percolation)



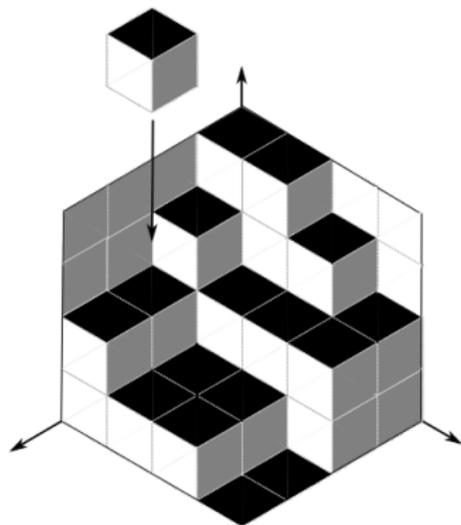
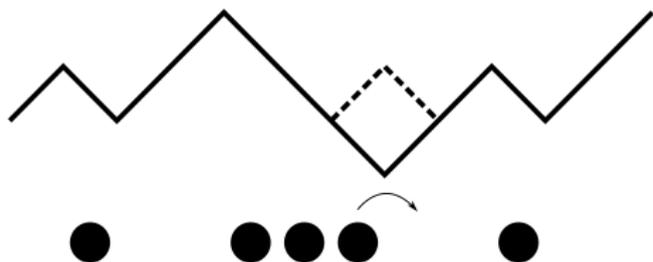
Dimer dynamics (Aztec diamond)



Random deposition (random tetris)_{3/31}

Discrete height functions

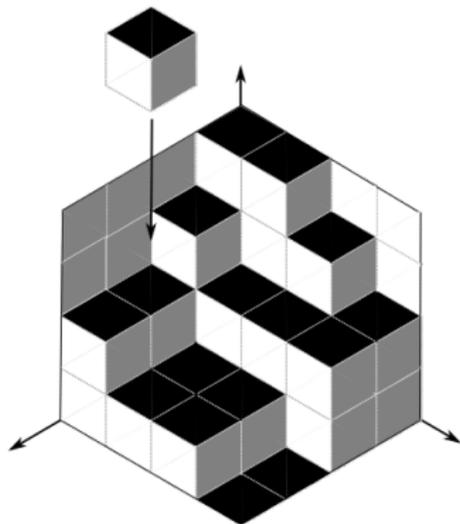
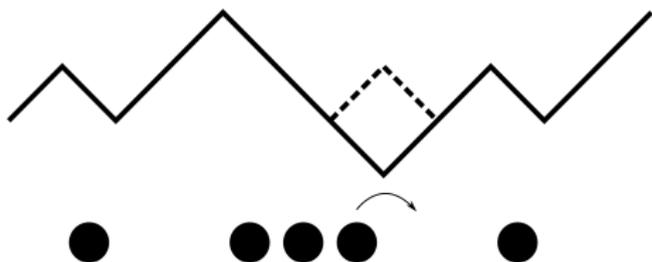
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- Invariant measures of gradients?
- Law of large numbers / **Hydrodynamic limits**? \leftrightarrow Non-linear PDEs
- **Fluctuations**? Universality? \leftrightarrow Non-linear SPDEs

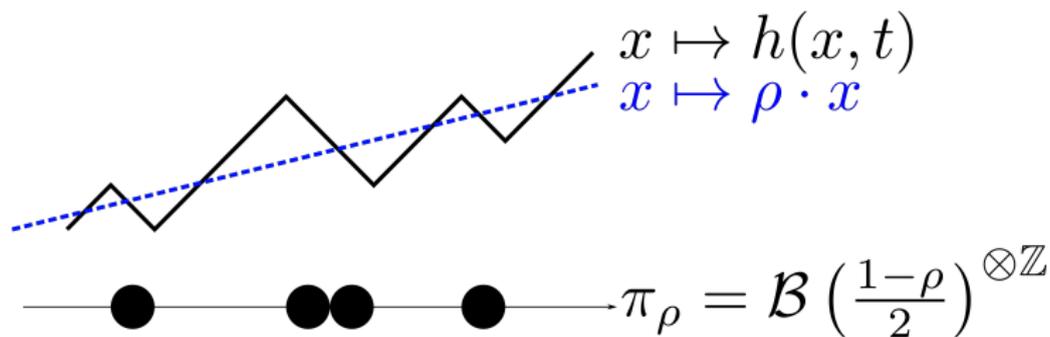
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Invariant measures

When $t \rightarrow +\infty$, we expect that

$$(h(x + e_i, t) - h(x, t))_{x \in \mathbb{Z}^d, i \in \{1, \dots, d\}} \xrightarrow{\text{Law}} \pi_\rho$$

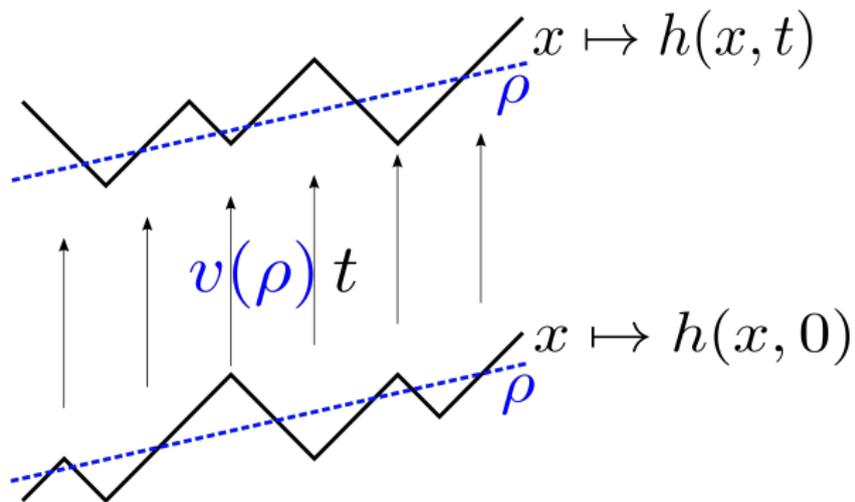
where π_ρ is an **irreversible invariant measure** and $\rho \in \mathbb{R}^d$ is a **slope** parameter: $\mathbb{E}_{\pi_\rho} [h(x) - h(0)] = \rho \cdot x$.



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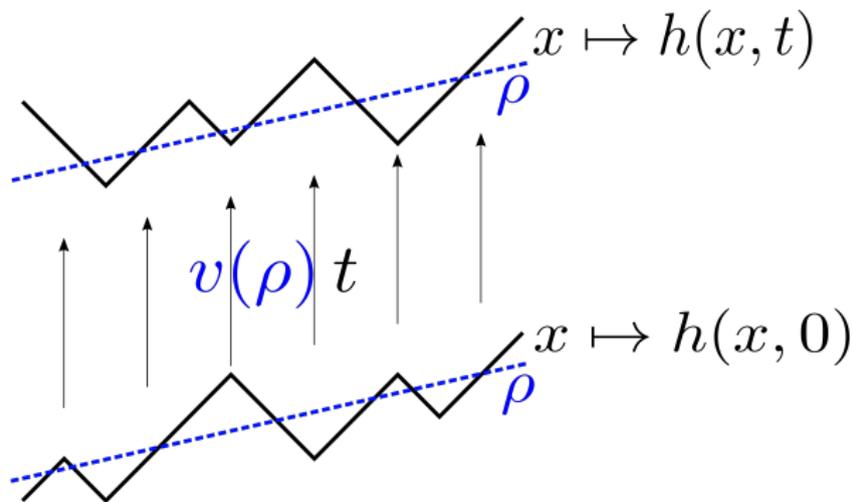
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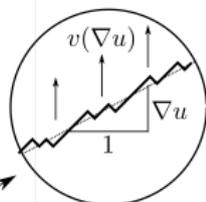
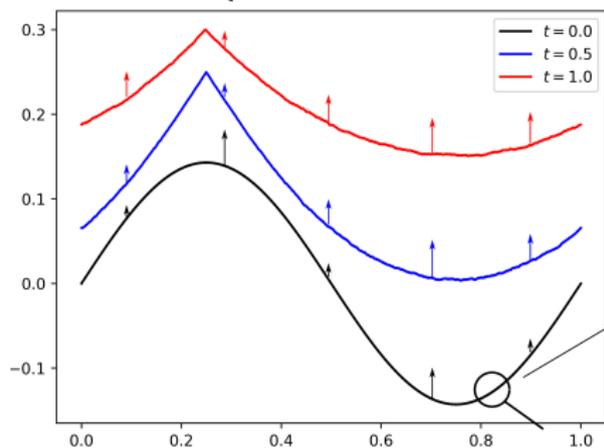
$$\text{e.g. } v(\rho) = 2\pi_\rho(\checkmark) = 2\pi_\rho(\bullet \ominus) = 2 \frac{1-\rho}{2} \left(1 - \frac{1-\rho}{2}\right) = \frac{1-\rho^2}{2}$$

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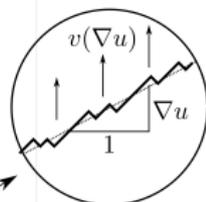
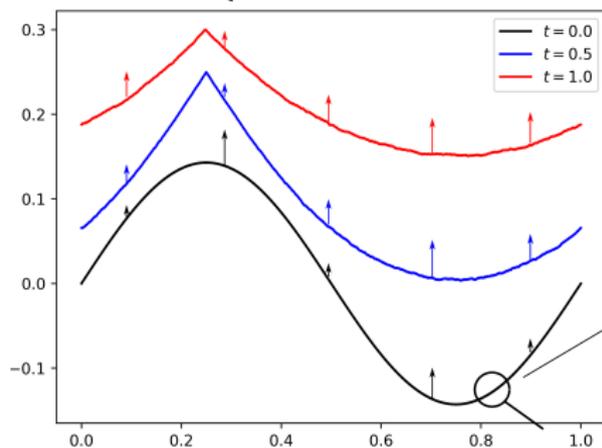


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↪ Formation of **shocks**

↪ Variational formula when v is **convex**

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Conjectured to only depend only on

- the dimension
- the symmetries of the model

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- $d \geq 3$, $H = Id$, $\lambda < \lambda_c(d)$, the non-linearity is **irrelevant**:

$$\varepsilon^{\alpha_{EW}} (h(x/\varepsilon, t/\varepsilon^2) - \mathbf{E}[h(x/\varepsilon, t/\varepsilon^2)]) \xrightarrow{\varepsilon \rightarrow 0} \text{solution of EW equation}$$

Magnen-Unterberger'17, Gu-Ryzhik-Zeituni'17, Comets-Cosco-Mukherjee'19

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Cannizzaro-Erhard-Toninelli '20: for $H = \text{diag}(+1, -1)$, the correlation length is of order $t^{1/2} (\log t)^{\delta/2}$ with conjectural: $\delta = 1/2$.

\hookrightarrow Relevance of the non-linearity !

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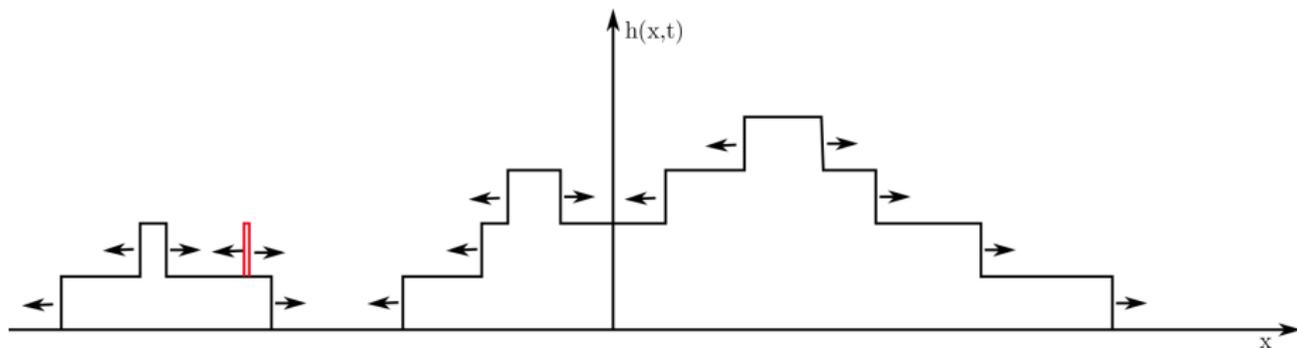
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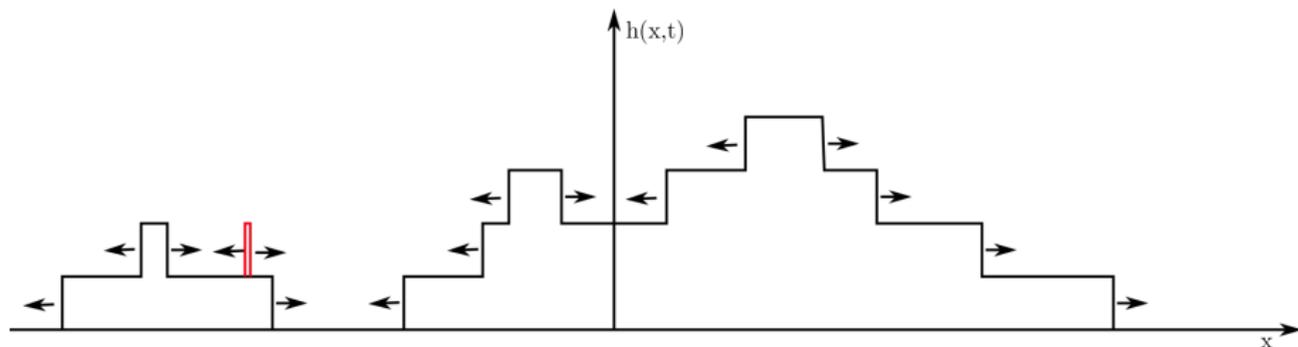
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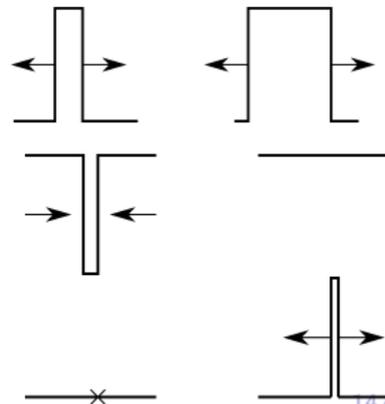
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- Lateral expansion at speed 1
- Annihilation
- Nucleations given by Poisson Point Process



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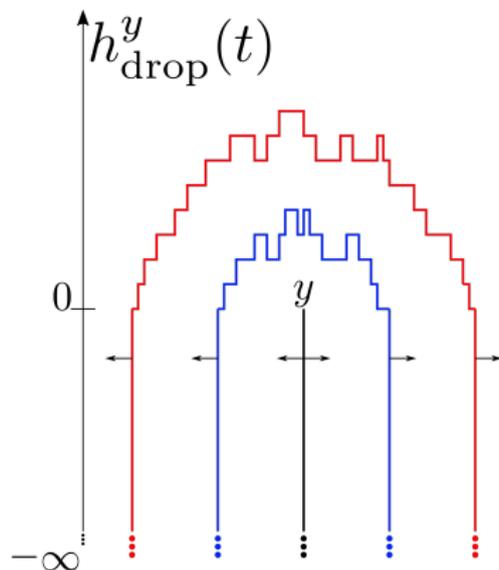
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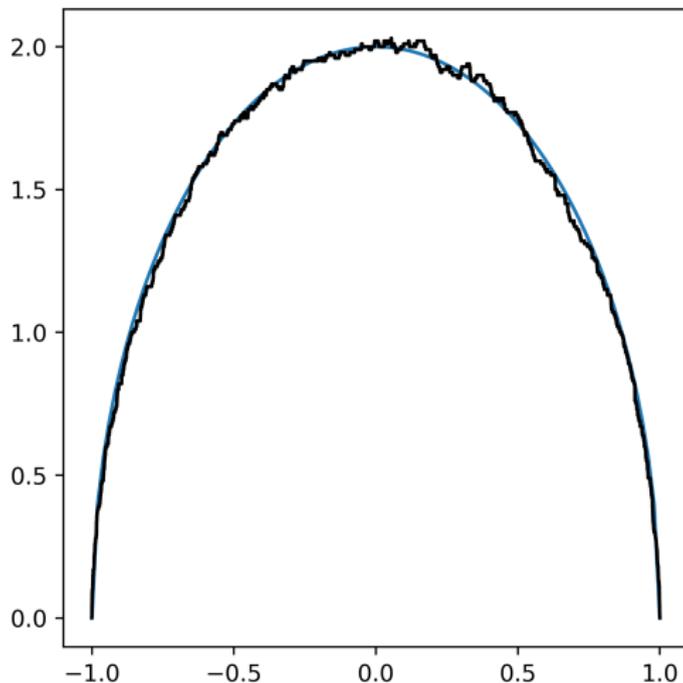
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Super-additivity

Super-additive ergodic argument (Seppäläinen, Rezakhanlou)

$$\frac{1}{L} h_{\text{drop}}(Lx, Lt) \xrightarrow{L \rightarrow \infty} t g(x/t) \quad g \text{ concave}$$



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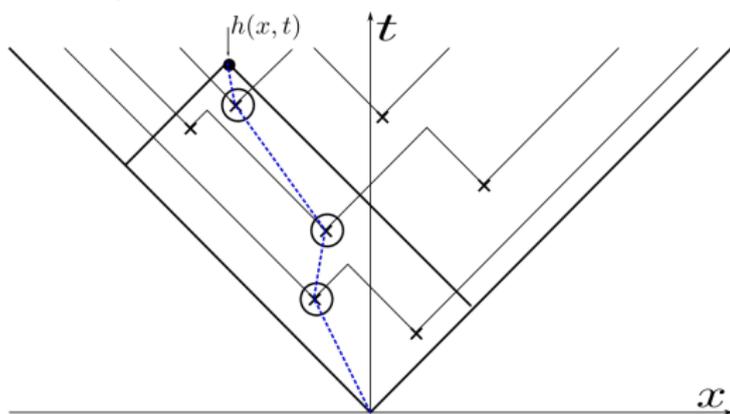
- Compatibility with affine profiles and **stationary growth**

$$\implies -g^*(\rho) = v(\rho) = \sqrt{4 + \rho^2}$$

$$\implies g(x) = (g^*)^*(x) = 2 \sqrt{1 - x^2}$$

Comments about the PNG:

- Link with the longest-increasing subsequence of a random permutation (Ulam's problem '61), Hammersley process '72 and Random polymers



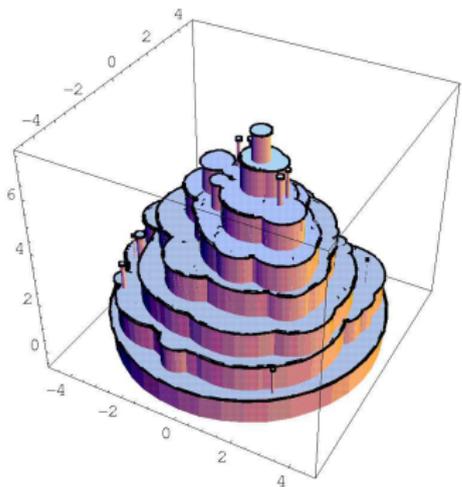
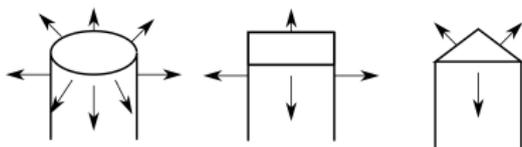
- Determinantal structure with Bessel Kernel
- **Fluctuations** scales like $t^{1/3}$ and converge to a **Tracy Widom** distribution (different geometries: Droplet, Flat, Equilibrium) (Baik-Deift-Johansson '99, Baik-Rains '00, 01')
- Convergence of multi-point fluctuations ($x \mapsto t^{-1/3} h(t, xt^{2/3})$) to **Airy processes** (Prähofer-Spohn '02, Ferrari '04)

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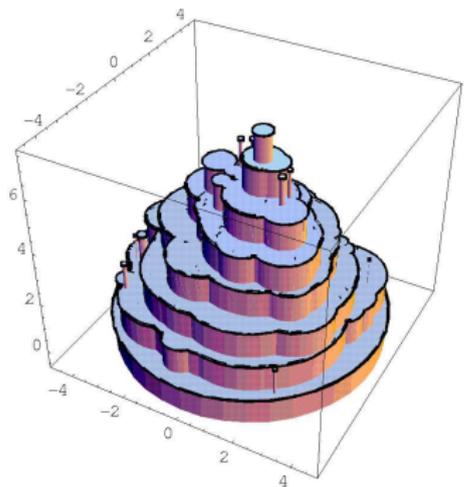
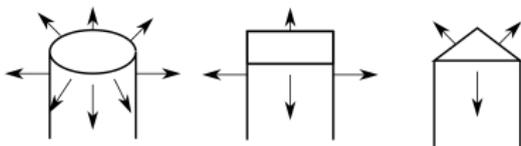
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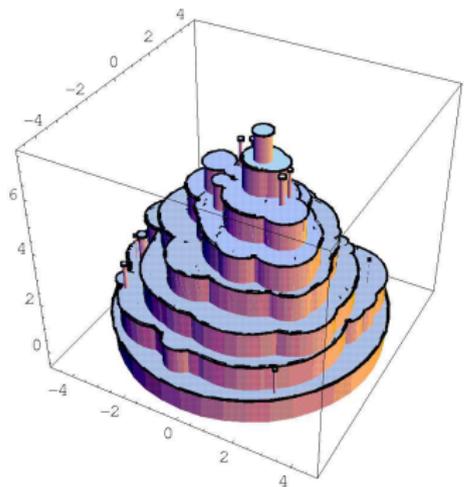
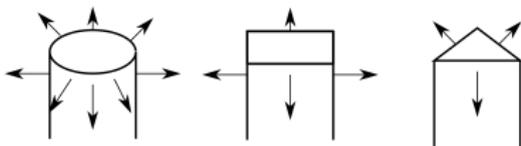


Image of Michael Prähofer

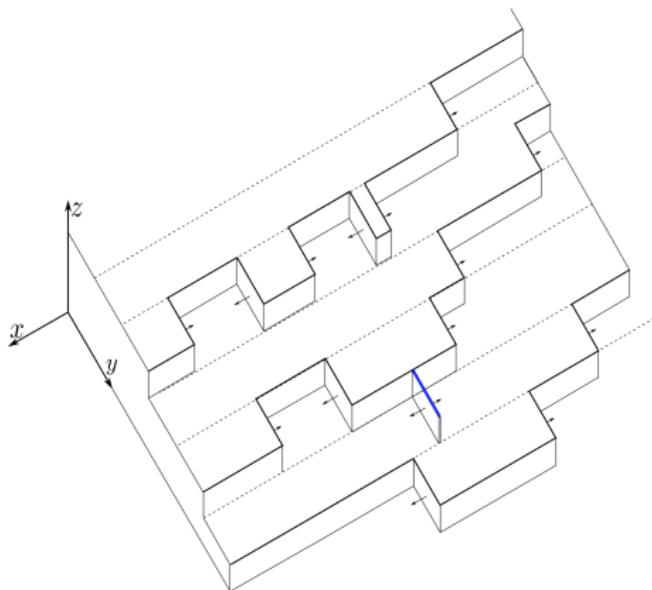
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- Other Isotropic examples: Ballistic deposition, Corner Growth Model and generalisations (Seppäläinen, Rezakhanlou)

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The Gates-Westcott model

Layer by layer Crystal Growth (Gates-Westcott '95)



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- Infinite collection of non-intersecting **level lines** that follow the **PNG dynamic** with nucleation deleted if two lines intersect
- \hookrightarrow **Non-trivial interactions**

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Using fermionic Fock space tools:

- computed the speed

$$v(\rho) = \frac{1}{\pi} \sqrt{\pi^2 \rho_1^2 + 4 \sin^2(\pi \rho_2)}$$

- $\det(D_\rho^2(v)) < 0$ for every ρ

\hookrightarrow Anisotropic class

- $\text{Var}_{\pi_\rho}(h(x) - h(y)) \sim c \log|x - y|$

\hookrightarrow typical from Gaussian Free Field and Edward-Wilkinson universality class

Hydrodynamic limit and upper bound on fluctuations

Theorem 1 (L. '19)

If for all $R > 0$,
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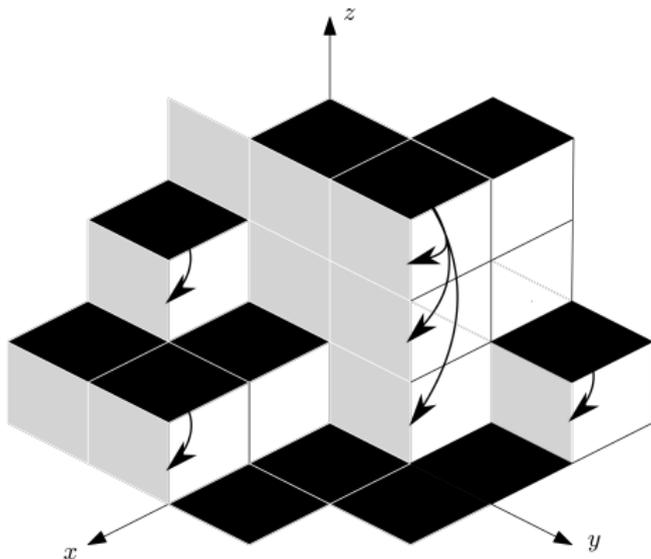
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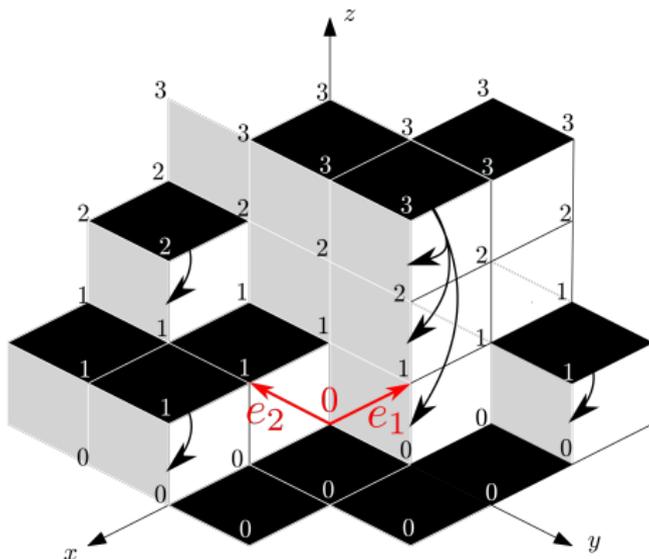
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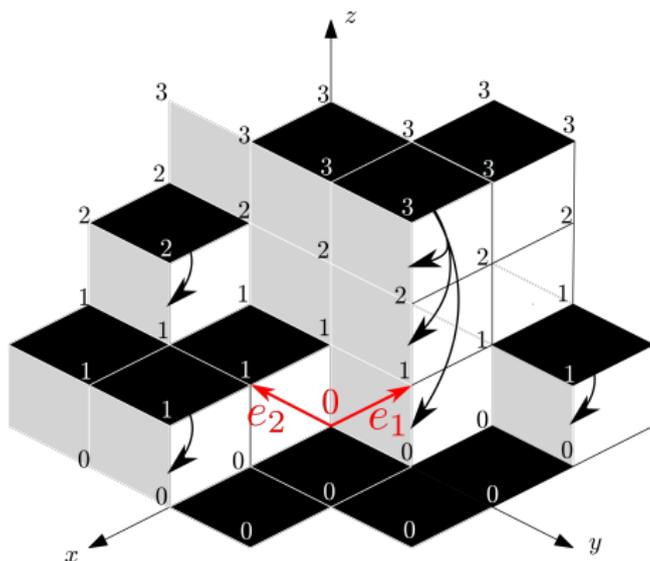
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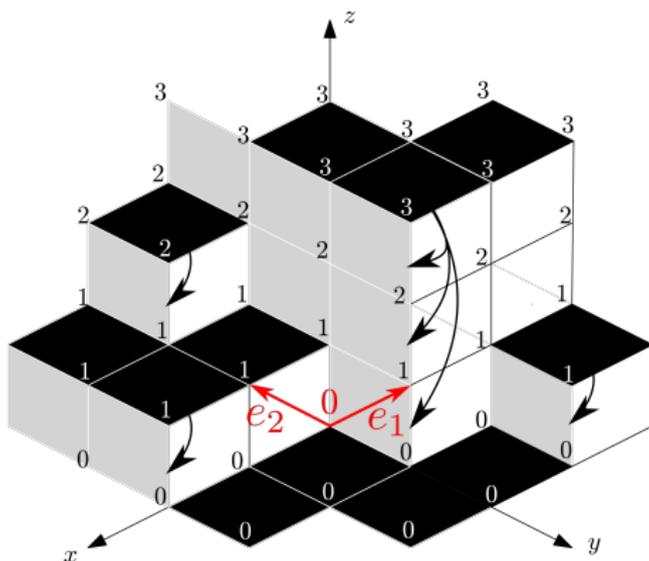


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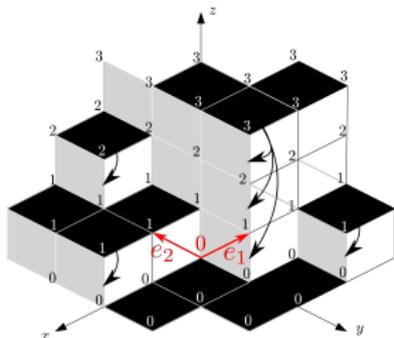
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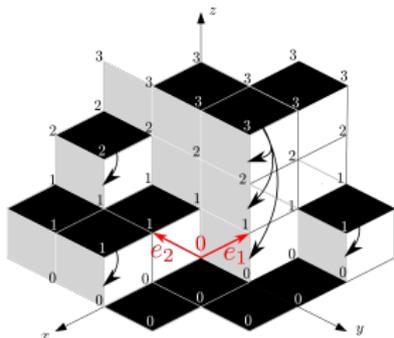
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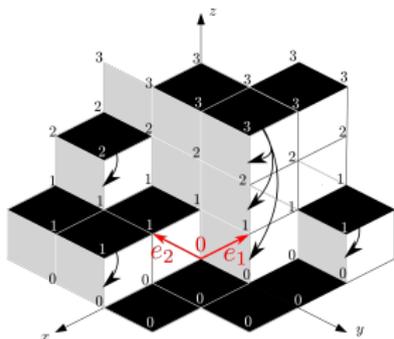
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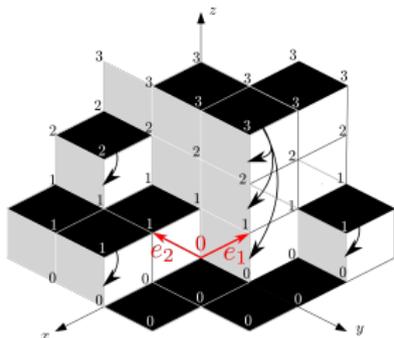


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