#### Blocking measures, hills, and hydrodynamics Joint with Jacob Calvert, Patrícia Gonçalves and Katerina Michaelides

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#### Models

Asymmetric simple exclusion Zero range

#### Blocking measures ASEP ZRP

Further models

#### Hills

Microscopic model Hydrodynamics





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We need *r* non-decreasing.

Examples:

- 'Classical' ZRP:  $r(\omega_i) = \mathbf{1}\{\omega_i > \mathbf{0}\}.$
- Independent walkers:  $r(\omega_i) = \omega_i$ .

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- ► Most hillslopes are rather stationary ↔ particle current.

### Convex hills



Wikipedia

### Concave hills



Stockphotos4free

### Product blocking measures

Solution: block particles (no current) and make their rates asymmetric (non-constant density).

Can we have a reversible stationary distribution in product form:

$$\underline{\mu}(\underline{\omega}) = \bigotimes_{i} \mu_{i}(\omega_{i});$$

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Here

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Solution: 
$$\mu_i \sim \text{Geometric}\Big(1 - \Big(\frac{p}{q}\Big)^{i-\text{const}}\Big).$$

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### Product blocking measures

#### They are also very handy, due to reversibility.

Take a stationary, reversible Markov chain. Cut any of its edges. It stays reversible stationary w.r.t. the same distribution.

In our case: freeze the boundaries to obtain a stationary hill slope.
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We won't be bothered by this.

Work in progress...



A blocking measure is a microscopic object. Here is its scaling

limit:  $\xrightarrow{e^{(x)}}_{x}$ , not very interesting.

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Convection-diffusion type equation with Robin boundary.

Doing the proper derivation is work in progress.

The time-stationary solution  $G(\varrho(x)) = Ce^{4\gamma x}$  is consistent with the stationary blocking measure.

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#### Space scale: $x \in [0, 1] \Leftrightarrow we \in hill$ .

Problem 1: The stationary hillslope will not tell us the time scale.

~ Observe relaxation to stationarity in Nature and in the PDE.





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