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

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We need $r$ non-decreasing.

Examples:

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


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## Convex hills



Wikipedia

## Concave hills



## 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:

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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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Work in progress...


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