Queues, stationarity, and stabilisation of last passage percolation

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Last passage percolation

- Place ω_z i.i.d. Exp(1) for $z \in \mathbb{Z}^2$.
- The *geodesic* $\pi_{a,y}$ from *a* to *y* is the a.s. unique heaviest up-right path from *a* to *y*. Its weight is $G_{a,y}$.



 $G_{0,y}$ is the time TASEP hole y_1 swaps with particle y_2 if started from 1-0 initial condition.

Coalescing: OK



But loops: not OK





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~ Act as boundary weights for a smaller, embedded model.



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Proposition

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With probability at least $1 - Cc^{\frac{3}{8}}$, stationary and point-to-point paths already coalesce in the small box. (Busani, Ferrari '20)

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Result 3)

The Airy₂ process minus a parabola is locally well approximated in total variation by Brownian motion.

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These two boundaries are **jointly** stationary; (Ferrari, Martin '06; Fan, Seppäläinen '20)

















































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Thank you.