

# A Brief Overview of Bi-Free Probability

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# The Left Regular Representation

Let  $\mathbb{F}_2$  denote the free group on two elements  $a$  and  $b$ . The *left regular representation of  $\mathbb{F}_2$*  is the group homomorphism  $\lambda : \mathbb{F}_2 \rightarrow \mathcal{U}(\ell_2(\mathbb{F}_2))$  defined for all  $g, h \in \mathbb{F}_2$  by

$$\lambda(g)\delta_h = \delta_{gh}.$$

If  $L(\mathbb{F}_2) = \lambda(\mathbb{F}_2)''$ , then the linear map  $\tau : L(\mathbb{F}_2) \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$  defined by

$$\tau(T) = \langle T\delta_e, \delta_e \rangle$$

is a tracial state on  $L(\mathbb{F}_2)$ . Indeed if  $n_j, m_j \in \mathbb{Z} \setminus \{0\}$ , then

$$\tau(\lambda(a)^{n_1} \lambda(b)^{m_1} \lambda(a)^{n_2} \lambda(b)^{m_2} \cdots \lambda(a)^{n_k} \lambda(b)^{m_k}) = 0.$$

## Definition

A *non-commutative probability space* is a pair  $(\mathcal{A}, \varphi)$  where  $\mathcal{A}$  is a unital algebra over  $\mathbb{C}$  and  $\varphi : \mathcal{A} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$  is a linear map with  $\varphi(I_{\mathcal{A}}) = 1$ .

## Definition

Let  $(\mathcal{A}, \varphi)$  be a non-commutative probability space. A collection  $\{A_k\}_{k \in K}$  of unital subalgebras of  $\mathcal{A}$  are said to be *freely independent with respect to*  $\varphi$  if

$$\varphi(Z_1 \cdots Z_n) = 0$$

for all  $n \geq 1$ , for all  $k_1, \dots, k_n \in K$  with  $k_m \neq k_{m+1}$  for all  $m$ , and for all  $Z_m \in A_{k_m}$  with  $\varphi(Z_m) = 0$ .

For example,  $\text{alg}(\lambda(a))$  and  $\text{alg}(\lambda(b))$  are freely independent with respect to  $\tau$ .

# Free Independence via Free Products

## Theorem (Voiculescu; 1985)

Let  $(\mathcal{A}, \varphi)$  be a non-commutative probability space. Unital subalgebras  $A_1$  and  $A_2$  of  $\mathcal{A}$  are freely independent if and only if there exist vector spaces  $\mathcal{X}_k$  and unital homomorphisms  $\alpha_k : A_k \rightarrow \mathcal{L}(\mathcal{X}_k)$  such that the following diagram commutes:

$$\begin{array}{ccc} A_1 * A_2 & \xrightarrow{i} & \mathcal{A} \\ \alpha_1 * \alpha_2 \downarrow & & \searrow \varphi \\ \mathcal{L}(\mathcal{X}_1) * \mathcal{L}(\mathcal{X}_2) & \xrightarrow{\lambda_1 * \lambda_2} & \mathcal{L}(\mathcal{X}_1 * \mathcal{X}_2) \end{array} \begin{array}{c} \\ \\ \nearrow \psi \\ \end{array}$$

# Central Limit Distributions

## Theorem (Central Limit Theorem)

For each  $N \in \mathbb{N}$ , let  $X_1, \dots, X_N$  be independent, identically distributed real-valued random variables with expectation zero and variance one. Then

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# Bi-Free Independence

What about the right regular representation?

## Definition (Voiculescu; 2013)

Let  $(\mathcal{A}, \varphi)$  be a non-commutative probability space. Pairs of unital algebras  $(A_{\ell,1}, A_{r,1})$  and  $(A_{\ell,2}, A_{r,2})$  of  $\mathcal{A}$  are said to be *bi-freely independent* if there exist vector spaces  $\mathcal{X}_k$  and unital homomorphisms  $\alpha_k : A_{\ell,k} \rightarrow \mathcal{L}(\mathcal{X}_k)$  and  $\beta_k : A_{r,k} \rightarrow \mathcal{L}(\mathcal{X}_k)$  such that the following diagram commutes:

$$\begin{array}{ccccc} A_{\ell,1} * A_{r,1} * A_{\ell,2} * A_{r,2} & \xrightarrow{i} & \mathcal{A} & \xrightarrow{\varphi} & \mathbb{C} \\ \downarrow \alpha_1 * \beta_1 * \alpha_2 * \beta_2 & & & & \uparrow \psi \\ \mathcal{L}(\mathcal{X}_1) * \mathcal{L}(\mathcal{X}_1) * \mathcal{L}(\mathcal{X}_2) * \mathcal{L}(\mathcal{X}_2) & \xrightarrow{\lambda_1 * \rho_1 * \lambda_2 * \rho_2} & & & \mathcal{L}(\mathcal{X}_1 * \mathcal{X}_2) \end{array}$$

# A Simple Characterization of Bi-Freeness?

Freely Independent  $\iff$  Alternating Centred Moments Vanish

Bi-Freely Independent  $\iff$  ???

Mastnak and Nica attempted to develop a bi-free analogue of non-crossing partitions.

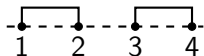
# Non-Crossing Partitions

In 1994, Speicher developed a combinatorial approach to free probability via non-crossing partitions.

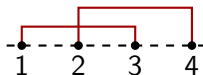
## Definition

An partition  $\pi$  of  $\{1, \dots, n\}$  is said to be *non-crossing* if for all  $U, V \in \pi$  with  $U \neq V$ , for all  $a, b \in U$ , and for all  $c, d \in V$ , it is not the case that  $a < c < b < d$ . The set of non-crossing partitions on  $\{1, \dots, n\}$  is denoted  $NC(n)$ .

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The free cumulant of  $Z_1, \dots, Z_n$  is a Möbius inversion of the moments.

## Theorem (Speicher; 1994)

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$$\kappa_{1_n}(Z_1, \dots, Z_n) = 0$$

for all non-constant  $\epsilon : \{1, \dots, n\} \rightarrow K$  and for all  $Z_k \in A_{\epsilon(k)}$ .

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Consider  $\chi : \{1, \dots, 7\} \rightarrow \{\ell, r\}$  with  $\chi^{-1}(\{\ell\}) = \{1, 4, 6, 7\}$ .

Suppose  $Z_1, \dots, Z_7$  are operators (either left or right based on  $\chi$ ) for which we want to consider  $Z_1 \cdots Z_7 \xi$ .

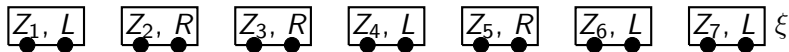
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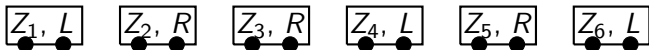
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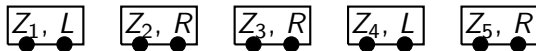
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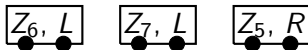
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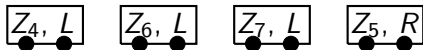
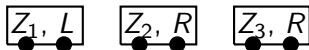
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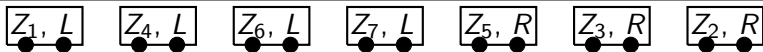
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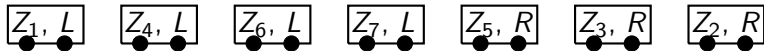
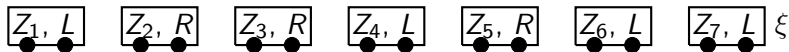
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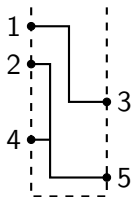
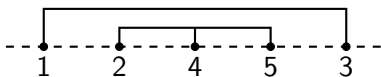
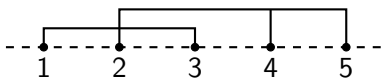
## Definition (Mastnak, Nica; 2013)

Given  $\chi : \{1, \dots, n\} \rightarrow \{\ell, r\}$ , a partition  $\pi$  of  $\{1, \dots, n\}$  is said to be *bi-non-crossing with respect to  $\chi$*  if the partition  $s_\chi^{-1} \cdot \pi$  (the partition obtained by applying  $s_\chi^{-1}$  to each block of  $\pi$ ) is non-crossing.

# Bi-Non-Crossing Partitions

Let  $\chi^{-1}(\{\ell\}) = \{1, 2, 4\}$ ,  $\chi^{-1}(\{r\}) = \{3, 5\}$ , and

$$\pi = \left\{ \{1, 3\}, \{2, 4, 5\} \right\} = s_\chi \cdot \left\{ \{1, 5\}, \{2, 3, 4\} \right\}.$$



$$\mu_{BNC}(\pi, \sigma) = \mu_{NC}(s_\chi^{-1} \cdot \pi, s_\chi^{-1} \cdot \sigma)$$

## Theorem (Charlesworth, Nelson, Skoufranis; 2014)

Let  $(\mathcal{A}, \varphi)$  be a ncps and let  $\{(A_{\ell,k}, A_{r,k})\}_{k \in K}$  be pairs of unital subalgebras of  $\mathcal{A}$ . Then the following are equivalent:

- $\{(A_{\ell,k}, A_{r,k})\}_{k \in K}$  are bi-freely independent.
- For all  $\chi : \{1, \dots, n\} \rightarrow \{\ell, r\}$ ,  $\epsilon : \{1, \dots, n\} \rightarrow K$ , and  $Z_m \in A_{\chi(m), \epsilon(m)}$ ,

$$\varphi(Z_1 \cdots Z_m) = \sum_{\pi \in BNC(\chi)} \left[ \sum_{\substack{\sigma \in BNC(\chi) \\ \pi \leq \sigma \leq \epsilon}} \mu_{BNC}(\pi, \sigma) \right] \varphi_{\pi}(Z_1, \dots, Z_m)$$

- For all  $\chi : \{1, \dots, n\} \rightarrow \{\ell, r\}$ ,  $\epsilon : \{1, \dots, n\} \rightarrow K$  non-constant, and  $Z_m \in A_{\chi(m), \epsilon(m)}$ ,

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- 1 for all  $k_1, k_2 \in K$ ,  $\varphi(Z_1 X Y Z_2) = \varphi(Z_1 Y X Z_2)$  for all  $Z_1, Z_2 \in \mathcal{A}$ ,  $X \in A_{\ell,k_1}$ , and  $Y \in A_{r,k_2}$ , and
- 2 for each  $k \in K$  and  $Y \in A_{r,k}$  there exists a  $X \in A_{\ell,k}$  such that  $\varphi(ZY) = \varphi(ZX)$  for all  $Z \in \mathcal{A}$ .

Then  $\{(A_{\ell,k}, A_{r,k})\}_{k \in K}$  are bi-freely independent if and only if  $\{A_{\ell,k}\}_{k \in K}$  are freely independent.

## Example

If  $\mathfrak{M} = \mathfrak{M}_1 *_\tau \mathfrak{M}_2$  and  $\lambda, \rho : \mathfrak{M} \rightarrow \mathcal{L}(L_2(\mathfrak{M}, \tau))$  are the left and right actions of  $\mathfrak{M}$ , then  $(\lambda(\mathfrak{M}_1), \rho(\mathfrak{M}_1))$  and  $(\lambda(\mathfrak{M}_2), \rho(\mathfrak{M}_2))$  are bi-freely independent.

# Types of Independence

If  $(A_{\ell,1}, A_{r,1})$  and  $(A_{\ell,2}, A_{r,2})$  are bi-freely independent, then

- $A_{\ell,1}$  and  $A_{\ell,2}$  are freely independent,
- $A_{r,1}$  and  $A_{r,2}$  are freely independent,
- $A_{\ell,1}$  and  $A_{r,2}$  are classically independent,
- $A_{r,1}$  and  $A_{\ell,2}$  are classically independent,
- under additional assumptions on the algebras,  $\text{alg}(A_{\ell,1}A_{r,1})$  and  $\text{alg}(A_{\ell,2}A_{r,2})$  are Boolean independent, and
- under additional assumptions on the algebras,  $\text{alg}(A_{\ell,1}A_{r,1})$  and  $A_{\ell,2}$  are monotone independent.

Bi-freeness contains the five universal notions of independent of Speicher and Muraki.

# Bi-Free Central Limit Distributions

## Definition (Voiculescu; 2013)

A pair  $(\{Z_i\}_{i \in I}, \{Z_j\}_{j \in J})$  is said to be a *bi-free central limit distribution* if all cumulants of order at least three vanish.

## Theorem (Voiculescu; 2013)

Given non-empty disjoint sets  $I$  and  $J$ , for each matrix

$$C = [C_{k_1, k_2}]_{k_1, k_2 \in I \sqcup J}$$

there exists exactly one centred bi-free central limit distribution with  $\kappa_\chi(Z_{k_1}, Z_{k_2}) = C_{k_1, k_2}$ . In particular, if  $\mathcal{H}$  is a Hilbert space and  $h, h^* : I \sqcup J \rightarrow \mathcal{H}$  are such that  $C_{k_1, k_2} = \langle h(k_2), h^*(k_1) \rangle_{\mathcal{H}}$ , then

$$Z_i = l(h(i)) + l^*(h^*(i)) \quad \text{and} \quad Z_j = r(h(j)) + r^*(h^*(j))$$

is a realization of said bi-free central limit distribution.



# The $R$ -Transform

If  $(\mathcal{A}, \varphi)$  is a non-commutative probability space and  $X \in \mathcal{A}$ , the *Cauchy transform* of  $X$  is

$$G_X(z) = \varphi((zI_{\mathcal{A}} - X)^{-1}).$$

The  *$R$ -Transform* of  $X$  is

$$R_X(z) = \sum_{n \geq 0} \kappa_{n+1}(X)z^n.$$

It is possible to show that  $G_X(R_X(z) + \frac{1}{z}) = z$ .

## Theorem (Voiculescu; 1985)

If  $X_1$  and  $X_2$  are freely independent, then  $R_{X_1+X_2} = R_{X_1} + R_{X_2}$ .

There exists a combinatorial approach due to Speicher.

# The Bi-Free Partial $R$ -Transform

Given  $X, Y \in \mathcal{A}$ , define the *two-variable Green's function* by

$$G_{X,Y}(z, w) = \varphi((zI_{\mathcal{A}} - X)^{-1}(wI_{\mathcal{A}} - Y)^{-1}) = \frac{1}{zw} + \sum_{\substack{n,m \geq 0 \\ n+m \geq 1}} \frac{\varphi(X^n Y^m)}{z^{n+1} w^{m+1}},$$

The *bi-free partial  $R$ -transform* of  $(X, Y)$  is

$$R_{X,Y}(z, w) = \sum_{\substack{n,m \geq 0 \\ n+m \geq 1}} \kappa_{n,m}(X, Y) z^n w^m.$$

If  $(X_1, Y_1)$  and  $(X_2, Y_2)$  are bi-freely independent, then

$$R_{X_1+X_2, Y_1+Y_2} = R_{X_1, Y_1} + R_{X_2, Y_2}.$$

**Theorem (Voiculescu; 2013), combinatorial proof (Skoufranis, 2014)**

As holomorphic functions near  $(0, 0)$ ,

$$R_{X,Y}(z, w) = 1 + zR_X(z) + wR_Y(w) - \frac{zw}{G_{X,Y}\left(R_X(z) + \frac{1}{z}, R_Y(w) + \frac{1}{w}\right)}.$$

- Let  $B$  be a unital algebra.
- Let  $\mathcal{X}$  be a  $B$ - $B$ -bimodule that may be decomposed as  $\mathcal{X} = B \oplus \mathcal{X}^\perp$ .
- The projection map  $p : \mathcal{X} \rightarrow B$  is given by  $p(b \oplus \eta) = b$ .
- Thus  $p(b \cdot \xi \cdot b') = bp(\xi)b'$ .
- For  $b \in B$ , define  $L_b, R_b \in \mathcal{L}(\mathcal{X})$  by  $L_b(\xi) = b \cdot \xi$  and  $R_b(\xi) = \xi \cdot b$ .
- Define  $E : \mathcal{L}(\mathcal{X}) \rightarrow B$  by  $E(T) = p(T(1_B \oplus 0))$ .
- $E(L_b R_{b'} T) = p(L_b R_{b'}(E(T) \oplus \eta)) = p(bE(T)b' \oplus \eta') = bE(T)b'$ .
- $E(TL_b) = p(T(b \oplus 0)) = E(TR_b)$ .

## Definition

A  $B$ - $B$ -non-commutative probability space is a triple  $(\mathcal{A}, E, \varepsilon)$  where  $\mathcal{A}$  is a unital algebra over  $\mathbb{C}$ ,  $\varepsilon : B \otimes B^{\text{op}} \rightarrow \mathcal{A}$  is a unital homomorphism such that  $\varepsilon|_{B \otimes I}$  and  $\varepsilon|_{I \otimes B^{\text{op}}}$  are injective, and  $E : \mathcal{A} \rightarrow B$  is a unital linear map such that

$$E(\varepsilon(b_1 \otimes b_2)T) = b_1 E(T) b_2 \quad \text{and} \quad E(T\varepsilon(b \otimes 1_B)) = E(T\varepsilon(1_B \otimes b)).$$

Denote  $L_b = \varepsilon(b \otimes 1_B)$  and  $R_b = \varepsilon(1_B \otimes b)$ .

Every  $B$ - $B$ -non-commutative probability space can be embedded into  $\mathcal{L}(\mathcal{X})$  for some  $B$ - $B$ -bimodule  $\mathcal{X}$ .

## Definition

Let  $(\mathcal{A}, E, \varepsilon)$  be a  $B$ - $B$ -ncps. The unital subalgebras of  $\mathcal{A}$  defined by

$$\mathcal{A}_\ell := \{Z \in \mathcal{A} \mid ZR_b = R_bZ \text{ for all } b \in B\} \text{ and}$$

$$\mathcal{A}_r := \{Z \in \mathcal{A} \mid ZL_b = L_bZ \text{ for all } b \in B\}$$

are called the *left* and *right algebras* of  $\mathcal{A}$  respectively. A pair of algebras  $(A_1, A_2)$  is said to be a *pair of  $B$ -faces* if

$$\{L_b\}_{b \in B} \subseteq A_1 \subseteq \mathcal{A}_\ell \quad \text{and} \quad \{R_b\}_{b \in B^{\text{op}}} \subseteq A_2 \subseteq \mathcal{A}_r.$$

# Bi-Free Independence with Amalgamation

## Definition

Let  $(\mathcal{A}, E_{\mathcal{A}}, \varepsilon)$  be a  $B$ - $B$ -ncps. Pairs of  $B$ -faces  $(A_{\ell,1}, A_{r,1})$  and  $(A_{\ell,2}, A_{r,2})$  of  $\mathcal{A}$  are said to be *bi-freely independent with amalgamation over  $B$*  if there exist  $B$ - $B$ -bimodules  $\mathcal{X}_k$  and unital  $B$ -homomorphisms  $\alpha_k : A_{\ell,k} \rightarrow \mathcal{L}(\mathcal{X}_k)_{\ell}$  and  $\beta_k : A_{r,k} \rightarrow \mathcal{L}(\mathcal{X}_k)_r$  such that the following diagram commutes:

$$\begin{array}{ccc} A_{\ell,1} * A_{r,1} * A_{\ell,2} * A_{r,2} & \xrightarrow{i} & \mathcal{A} & \xrightarrow{E_{\mathcal{A}}} & B \\ \downarrow \alpha_1 * \beta_1 * \alpha_2 * \beta_2 & & & & \uparrow E_{\mathcal{L}(\mathcal{X}_1 * \mathcal{X}_2)} \\ \mathcal{L}(\mathcal{X}_1)_{\ell} * \mathcal{L}(\mathcal{X}_1)_r * \mathcal{L}(\mathcal{X}_2)_{\ell} * \mathcal{L}(\mathcal{X}_2)_r & \xrightarrow{\lambda_1 * \rho_1 * \lambda_2 * \rho_2} & \mathcal{L}(\mathcal{X}_1 * \mathcal{X}_2) & & \end{array}$$

## Theorem (Charlesworth, Nelson, Skoufranis; 2014)

Let  $(\mathcal{A}, E, \varepsilon)$  be a  $B$ - $B$ -ncps and let  $\{(A_{\ell,k}, A_{r,k})\}_{k \in K}$  be pairs of  $B$ -faces. Then the following are equivalent:

- $\{(A_{\ell,k}, A_{r,k})\}_{k \in K}$  are bi-free over  $B$ .
- For all  $\chi : \{1, \dots, n\} \rightarrow \{\ell, r\}$ ,  $\varepsilon : \{1, \dots, n\} \rightarrow K$ , and  $Z_m \in A_{\chi(m), \varepsilon(m)}$ ,

$$E(Z_1 \cdots Z_m) = \sum_{\pi \in BNC(\chi)} \left[ \sum_{\substack{\sigma \in BNC(\chi) \\ \pi \leq \sigma \leq \varepsilon}} \mu_{BNC}(\pi, \sigma) \right] \mathcal{E}_\pi(Z_1, \dots, Z_m)$$

- For all  $\chi : \{1, \dots, n\} \rightarrow \{\ell, r\}$ ,  $\varepsilon : \{1, \dots, n\} \rightarrow K$  non-constant, and  $Z_m \in A_{\chi(m), \varepsilon(m)}$ ,

$$\kappa_\chi(Z_1, \dots, Z_n) = 0.$$

# Amalgamating Over Matrices

- Let  $(\mathcal{A}, \varphi)$  be a non-commutative probability space.
- $\mathcal{M}_N(\mathcal{A})$  is naturally a  $\mathcal{M}_N(\mathbb{C})$ -ncps where the expectation map  $\varphi_N : \mathcal{M}_N(\mathcal{A}) \rightarrow \mathcal{M}_N(\mathbb{C})$  is defined via

$$\varphi_N([A_{i,j}]) = [\varphi(A_{i,j})].$$

- If  $A_1, A_2$  are unital subalgebras of  $\mathcal{A}$  that are free with respect to  $\varphi$ , then  $\mathcal{M}_N(A_1)$  and  $\mathcal{M}_N(A_2)$  are free with amalgamation over  $\mathcal{M}_N(\mathbb{C})$  with respect to  $\varphi_N$ .
- Is there a bi-free analogue of this result?
- Is  $\mathcal{M}_N(\mathcal{A})$  a  $\mathcal{M}_N(\mathbb{C})$ - $\mathcal{M}_N(\mathbb{C})$ -ncps?



## $B$ - $B$ -NCPS Associated to $\mathcal{A}$

Let  $(\mathcal{A}, \varphi)$  be a non-commutative probability space and let  $B$  be a unital algebra. Then  $\mathcal{A} \otimes B$  is a  $B$ - $B$ -bi-module where

$$L_b(a \otimes b') = a \otimes bb', \quad \text{and} \quad R_b(a \otimes b') = a \otimes b'b.$$

If  $p : \mathcal{A} \otimes B \rightarrow B$  is defined by

$$p(a \otimes b) = \varphi(a)b,$$

then  $\mathcal{L}(\mathcal{A} \otimes B)$  is a  $B$ - $B$ -ncps with

$$E(Z) = p(Z(1_{\mathcal{A}} \otimes 1_B)).$$

If  $X, Y \in \mathcal{A}$ , defined  $L(X \otimes b) \in \mathcal{L}(\mathcal{A} \otimes B)_\ell$  and  $R(Y \otimes b) \in \mathcal{L}(\mathcal{A} \otimes B)_r$  via

$$L(X \otimes b)(a \otimes b') = Xa \otimes bb' \quad \text{and} \quad R(Y \otimes b)(a \otimes b') = Ya \otimes b'b.$$

## Theorem (Skoufranis; 2015)

*Let  $(\mathcal{A}, \varphi)$  be a non-commutative probability space and let  $\{(A_{\ell,k}, A_{r,k})\}_{k \in K}$  be bi-free pairs of faces with respect to  $\varphi$ . If  $B$  is a unital algebra, then  $\{(L(A_{\ell,k} \otimes B), R(A_{r,k} \otimes B))\}_{k \in K}$  are bi-free over  $B$  with respect to some  $E$ .*

# Bi-Matrix Models - $q$ -Deformed Fock Space

Let  $q \in [-1, 1]$ , let  $\mathcal{H}$  be a Hilbert space, let  $\mathcal{F}_q(\mathcal{H})$  be the  $q$ -deformed Fock space, and, for  $h \in H$ , let  $l_q(h)$ ,  $r_q(h)$ ,  $l_q^*(h)$ , and  $r_q^*(h)$  denote the left/right  $q$ -deformed creation and annihilation operators on  $\mathcal{F}_q(\mathcal{H})$ .

Given an index set  $K$ , an  $N \in \mathbb{N}$ , and an orthonormal set of vectors  $\{h_{i,j}^k \mid i, j \in \{1, \dots, N\}, k \in K\} \subseteq \mathcal{H}$ , let

$$\begin{aligned} L_k(N) &:= \frac{1}{\sqrt{N}} \sum_{i,j=1}^N L(l_q(h_{i,j}^k) \otimes E_{i,j}), & L_k^*(N) &:= \frac{1}{\sqrt{N}} \sum_{i,j=1}^N L(l_q^*(h_{j,i}^k) \otimes E_{i,j}) \\ R_k(N) &:= \frac{1}{\sqrt{N}} \sum_{i,j=1}^N R(r_q(h_{i,j}^k) \otimes E_{i,j}), & R_k^*(N) &:= \frac{1}{\sqrt{N}} \sum_{i,j=1}^N R(r_q^*(h_{j,i}^k) \otimes E_{i,j}). \end{aligned}$$

## Theorem (Skoufranis; 2015)

If  $E : \mathcal{L}(\mathcal{L}(\mathcal{F}_q(\mathcal{H})) \otimes \mathcal{M}_N(\mathbb{C})) \rightarrow \mathcal{M}_N(\mathbb{C})$  is the expectation, the joint distribution of

$$\{L_k(N), L_k^*(N), R_k(N), R_k^*(N)\}_{k \in K}$$

with respect to  $\frac{1}{N} \text{Tr} \circ E$  is asymptotically equal the joint distribution of

$$\{l_0(h^k), l_0^*(h^k), r_0(h^k), r_0^*(h^k)\}_{k \in K}$$

with respect to  $\varphi$  where  $\{h^k\}_{k \in K} \subseteq \mathcal{H}$  is an orthonormal set.

## Definition

Let  $I$  and  $J$  be disjoint index sets and let

$$\{[Z_{k;i,j}]\}_{k \in I} \cup \{[Z_{k;i,j}]\}_{k \in J} \subseteq \mathcal{M}_N(\mathcal{A}).$$

The pair

$$(\{[Z_{k;i,j}]\}_{k \in I}, \{[Z_{k;i,j}]\}_{k \in J})$$

is said to be  $R$ -cyclic if for every  $n \geq 1$ ,  $\omega : \{1, \dots, n\} \rightarrow I \sqcup J$ , and  $1 \leq i_1, \dots, i_n, j_1, \dots, j_n \leq d$ ,

$$\kappa_{\chi_\omega}^{\mathbb{C}}(Z_{\omega(1);i_1,j_1}, Z_{\omega(2);i_2,j_2}, \dots, Z_{\omega(n);i_n,j_n}) = 0$$

whenever at least one of

$$j_{s_\chi(1)} = i_{s_\chi(2)}, j_{s_\chi(2)} = i_{s_\chi(3)}, \dots, j_{s_\chi(n-1)} = i_{s_\chi(n)}, j_{s_\chi(n)} = i_{s_\chi(1)}$$

fail.

# Bi- $R$ -Cyclic Families and Bi-Free over the Diagonal

For example, if  $K$  is an index set and  $\{h_{i,j}^k \mid i, j \in \{1, \dots, N\}, k \in K\} \subseteq \mathcal{H}$  is an orthonormal set of vectors, then

$$(\{[l(h_{i,j}^k)], [l^*(h_{j,i}^k)]\}, \{[r(h_{i,j}^k)], [r^*(h_{j,i}^k)]\})_{k \in K}$$

is an  $R$ -cyclic family.

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Let  $(\mathcal{A}, \varphi)$  be a non-commutative probability space and let

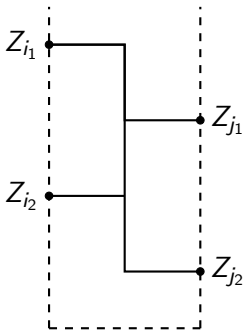
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Then the following are equivalent:

- $(\{[Z_{k;i,j}]\}_{k \in I}, \{[Z_{k;i,j}]\}_{k \in J})$  is  $R$ -cyclic.
- $(\{L([Z_{k;i,j}])\}_{k \in I}, \{R([Z_{k;i,j}])\}_{k \in J})$  is bi-free from  $(L(\mathcal{M}_N(\mathbb{C})), R(\mathcal{M}_N(\mathbb{C})^{\text{op}}))$  with amalgamation over  $\mathcal{D}_N$  with respect to  $F \circ E_N$  where  $F : \mathcal{M}_N(\mathbb{C}) \rightarrow \mathcal{D}_N$  is the expectation onto the diagonal.

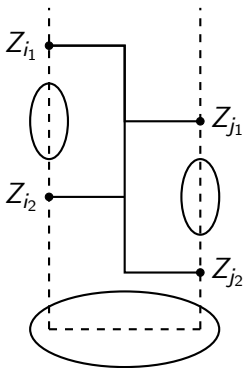
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## Theorem (Skoufranis; 2015)

If  $(X_1, Y_1)$  and  $(X_2, Y_2)$  are bi-free over a unital algebra  $B$ , then

$$S_{X_1 X_2, Y_1 Y_2}(b, c, d)$$

equals

$$Z_\ell S_{X_1, Y_1}(Z_\ell^{-1} b Z_\ell, Z_\ell^{-1} S_{X_2, Y_2}(b, c, d) Z_\ell^{-1}, Z_\ell d Z_\ell^{-1}) Z_r$$

where  $Z_\ell = S_{X_2}^\ell(b)$  and  $Z_r = S_{Y_2}^r(d)$ .

Thanks for Listening!