

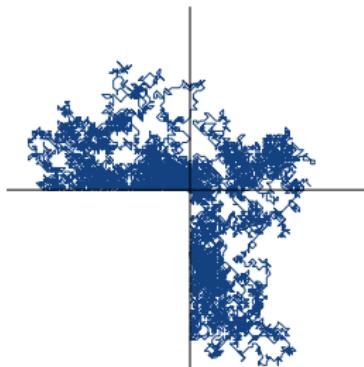
# Journées de Combinatoire de Bordeaux 2019

## Marches dans trois quarts de plan

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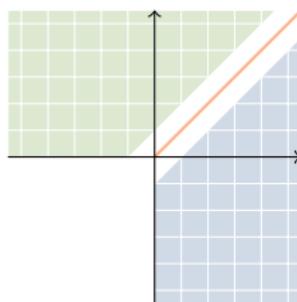
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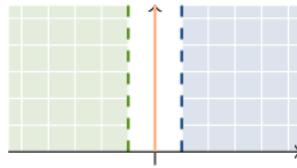


# How can we enumerate walks in the three quarter plan?

I. Partition the walks by their endpoints



II. Transform the cone



III. Integral expression of the generating function

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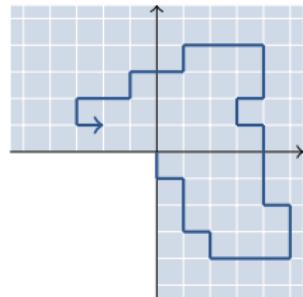
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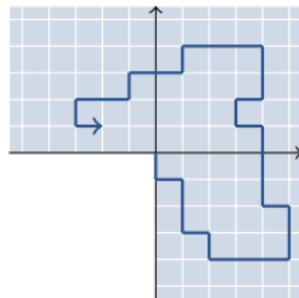


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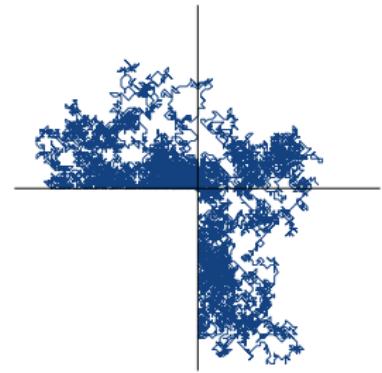
The goal is to **compute** the **number of paths**  $c_{i,j}(n)$  of length  $n$ , starting at  $(0,0)$  and ending at  $(i,j)$ , with  $(i \geq 0 \text{ or } j \geq 0)$  and  $n \geq 0$ .

# Walks in the three quarter plane

We focus on walks with small steps:  $\mathcal{S} \subset \{-1, 0, 1\}^2 \setminus \{(0, 0)\}$

We study the generating function of walks with small steps

$$C(x, y) = \sum_{n \geq 0} \sum_{(i,j) \in \mathcal{C}} c_{i,j}(n) x^i y^j t^n$$



## Strategy

We want to find an explicit expression of the generating function  $C(x, y)$ .

# Context

M. Bousquet-Mélou, 2016. *Square lattice walks avoiding a quadrant.*

- Simple and Diagonal walks with various starting points
- Exact expression of the generating function
- Nature of the generating function
- New proof of Gessel's conjecture via reflection principle

S. Mustapha, 2016. *Non-D-finite excursions walks in a three-quadrant cone.*

- Computation of the asymptotic of the number of excursions

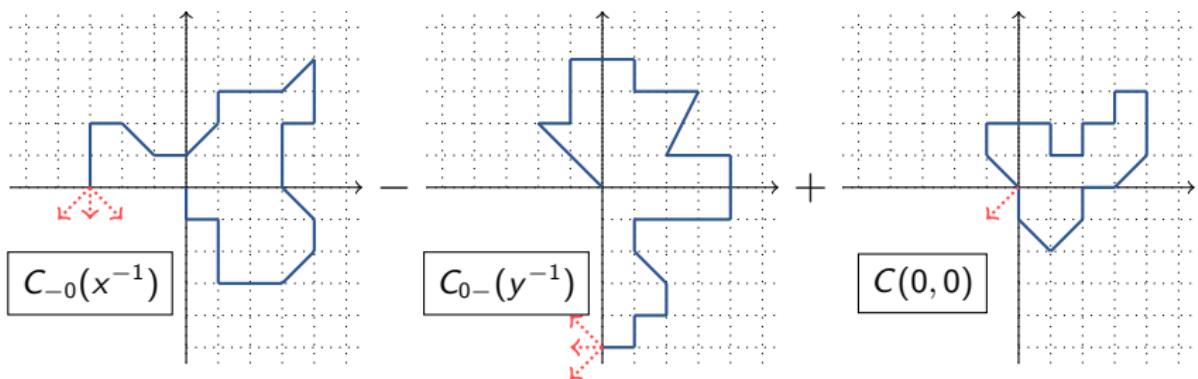
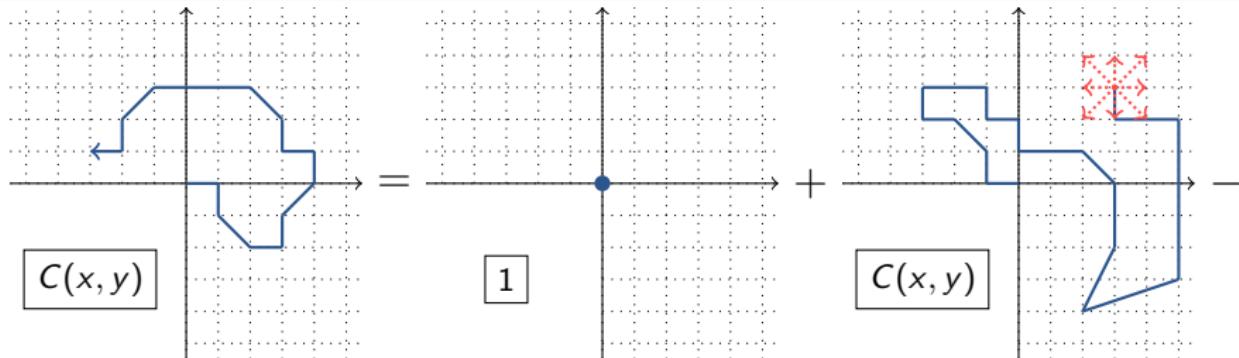
T. Budd, 2017. *Winding angle of simple walks on the square lattice.*

- Enumerating formulas for planar walks keeping track of the winding angle
- Can be used to enumerate simple walks in the three quarter plane

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# A combinatorial decomposition - $\mathcal{S} = \{\pm 1, 0\}^2 \setminus \{(0, 0)\}$



# A first functional Equation in the three quarter plane

The combinatorial decomposition gives a generating function equation

$$\begin{aligned} C(x, y) = 1 + tS(x, y)C(x, y) - t \left( \sum_{(i, -1) \in \mathcal{S}} x^i y^{-1} \right) C_{-0}(x^{-1}) \\ - t \left( \sum_{(-1, j) \in \mathcal{S}} x^{-1} y^j \right) C_{0-}(y^{-1}) + t\delta_{-1, -1} C(0, 0). \end{aligned}$$

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# Compare with the functional equation in the quarter plane

$$\begin{aligned}
 Q(x, y) = & 1 + tS(x, y)Q(x, y) - t \left( \sum_{(i, -1) \in S} x^i y^{-1} \right) Q(x, 0) \\
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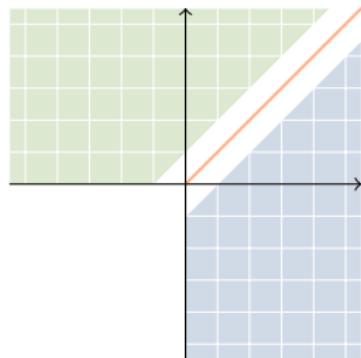
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# Strategy

Cut the domain into three parts

We decompose the domain of possible ends of the walks into three parts:

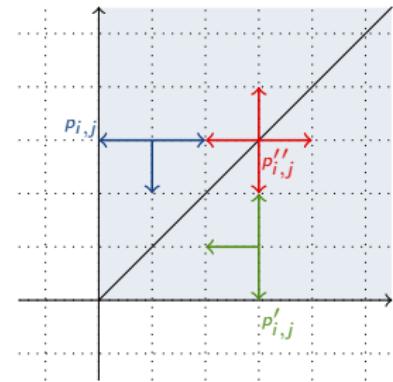
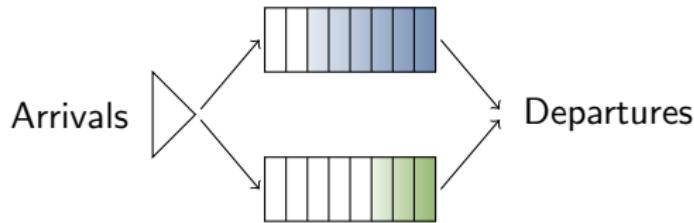
$$C(x, y) = L(x, y) + D(x, y) + U(x, y).$$



Three regions of possible endpoints.

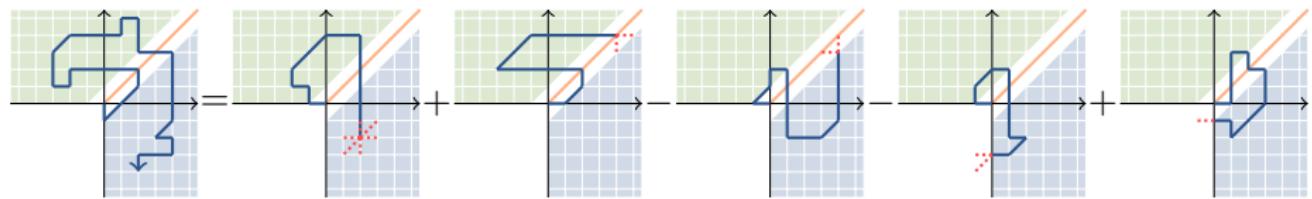
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# Aside: Join-the-Shortest-Queue model (JSQ)



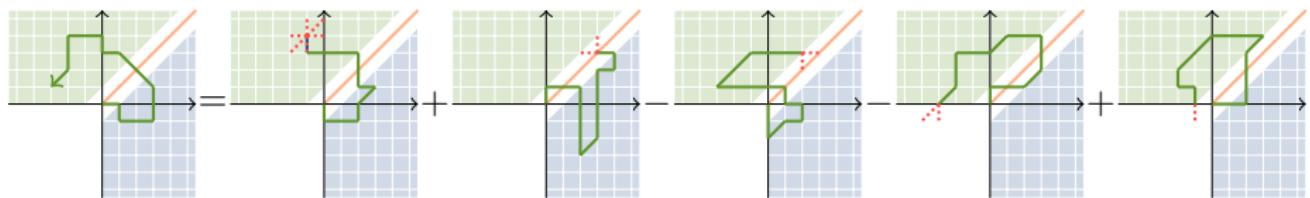
We consider a model with two queues in which the customers choose the shortest queue (if the two queues have same length, then the customers choose a queue according to a fixed probability law).

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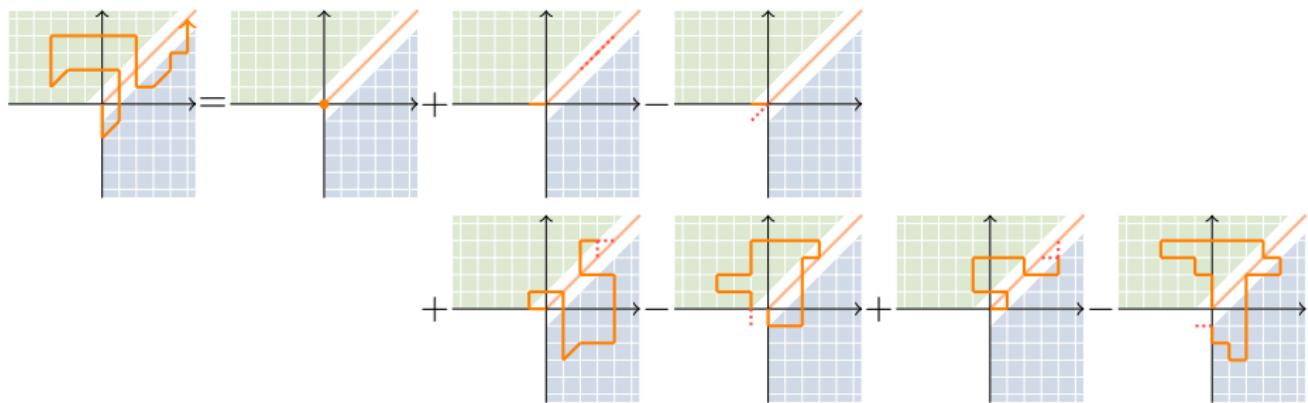
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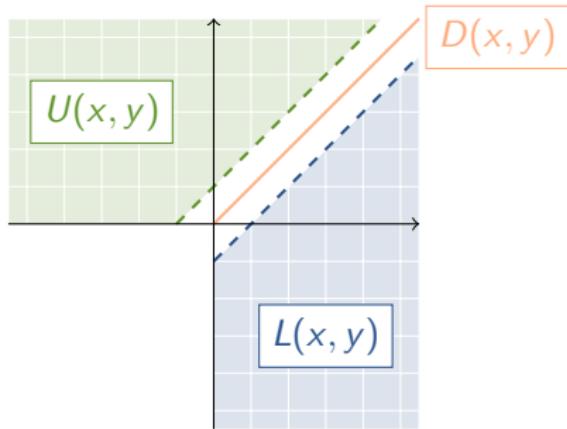
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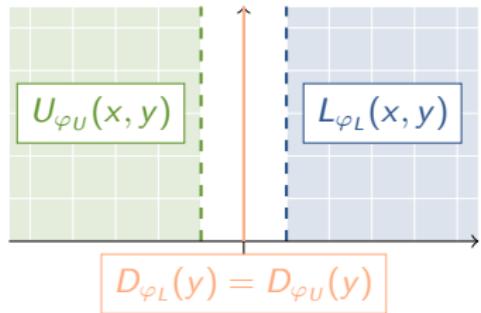
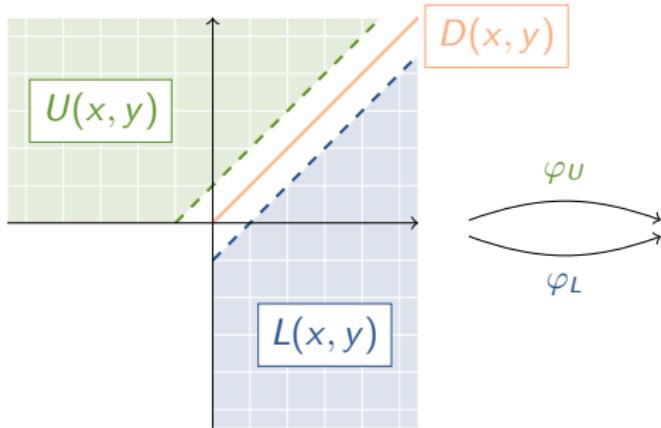
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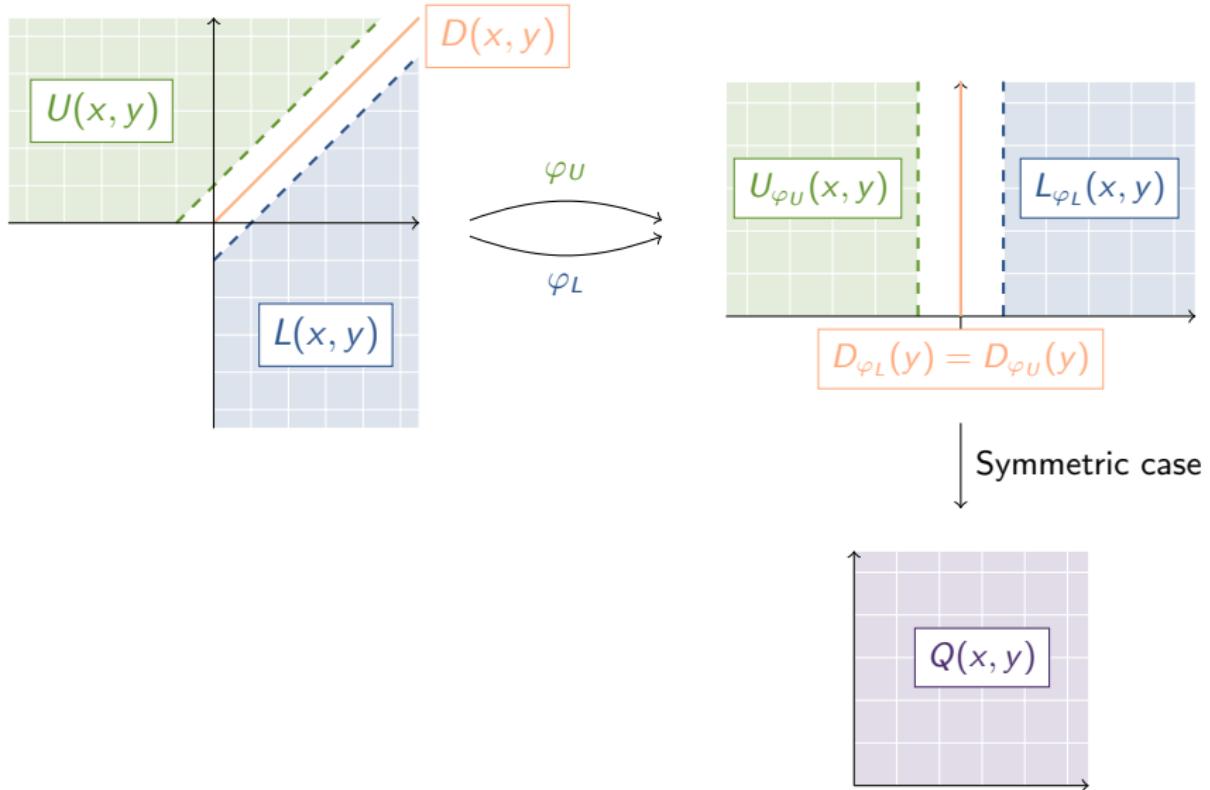
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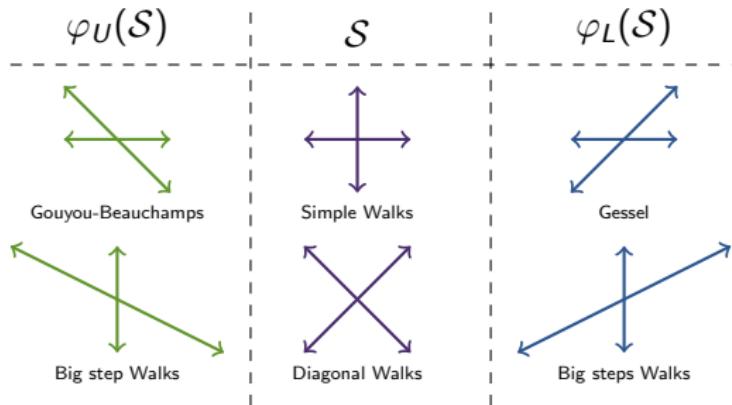
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# Change of variables



$$\varphi_L(x, y) = (xy, x^{-1})$$

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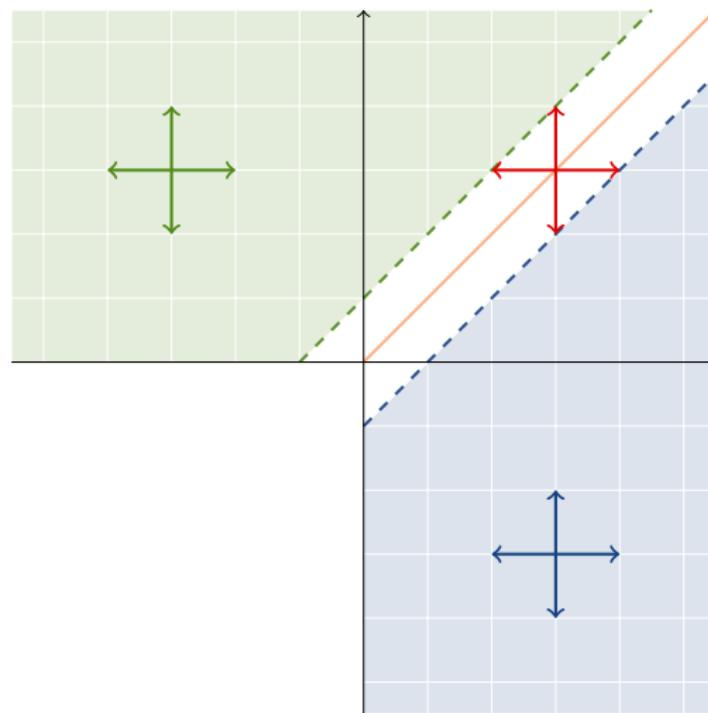
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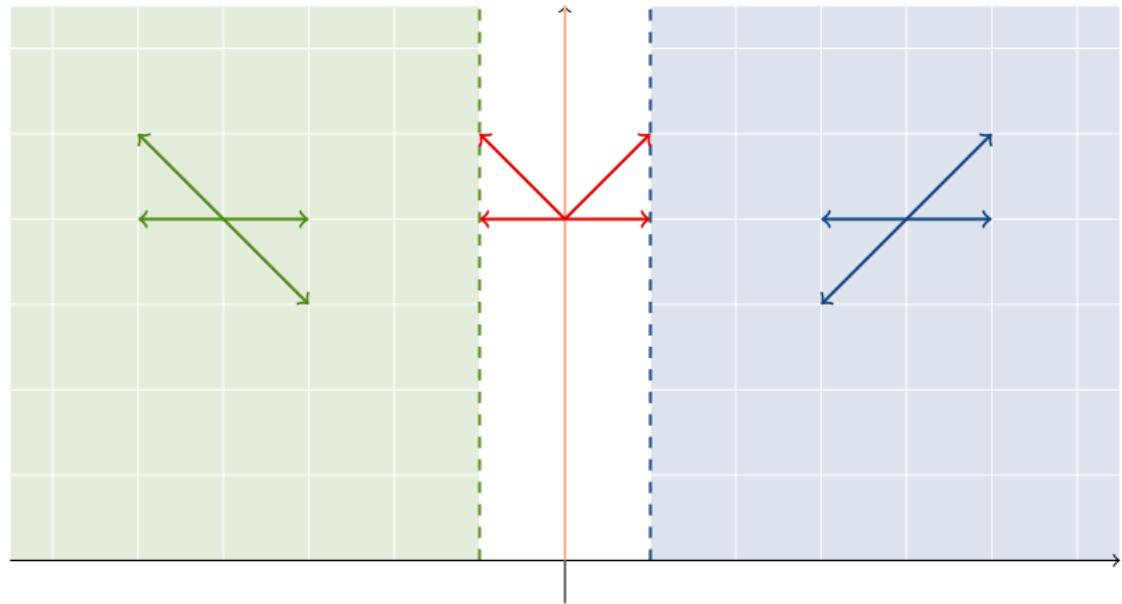
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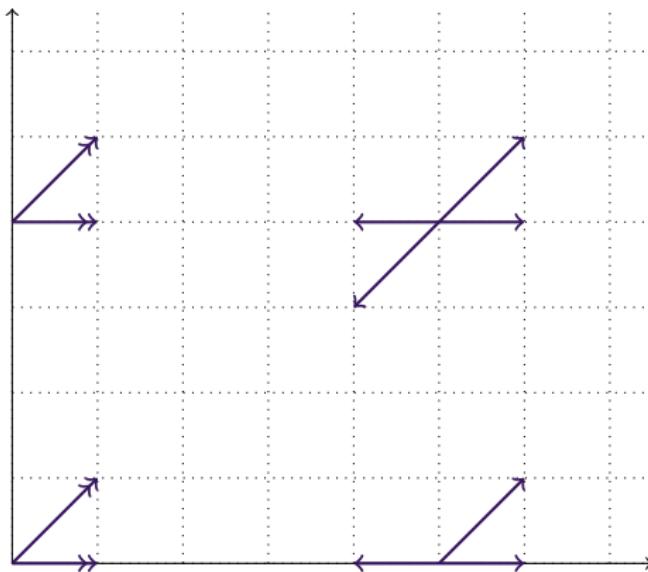
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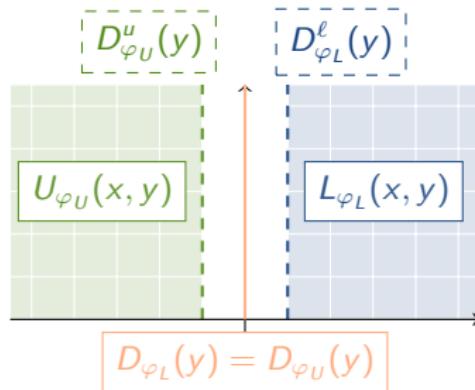
## Different approach

Beaton, Owczarek and Rechnitzer, 2018. *Exact solution of some quarter plane walks with interacting boundaries.*

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# A single functional Equation



$$\begin{aligned}
 K_{\varphi_L}(x, y)L_{\varphi_L}(x, y) &= c_{\varphi_L}(x)L_{\varphi_L}(x, 0) - x \left[ x\tilde{a}_{\varphi_L}(y) + \frac{1}{2}\tilde{b}_{\varphi_L}(y) \right] D_{\varphi_L}(y) \\
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Zeros of the Kernel,  $i = 0, 1$ :

$$K(X_i(y), y) = 0$$

$$K(x, Y_i(x)) = 0$$

$$X_i(y) = \frac{-\tilde{b}(y) \pm \sqrt{\tilde{d}(y)}}{2\tilde{a}(y)}$$

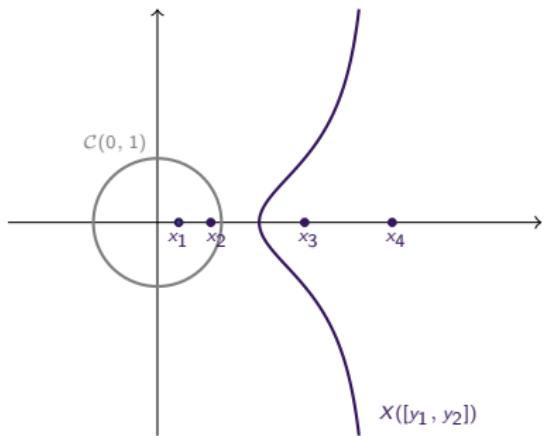
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The roots of the kernel define analytic curves.

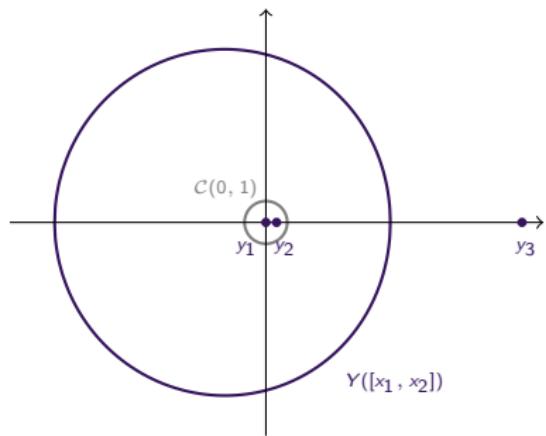
# Branches of the Kernel

## Kernel for Gessel's Walks

$$K(x, y) = xy \left[ t \left( x + xy + x^{-1} + x^{-1}y^{-1} \right) - 1 \right].$$



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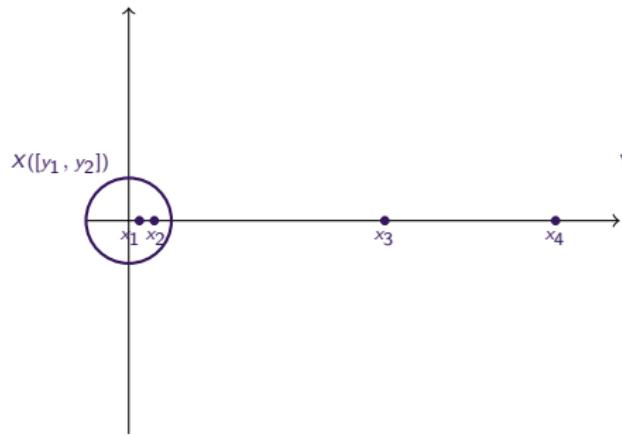


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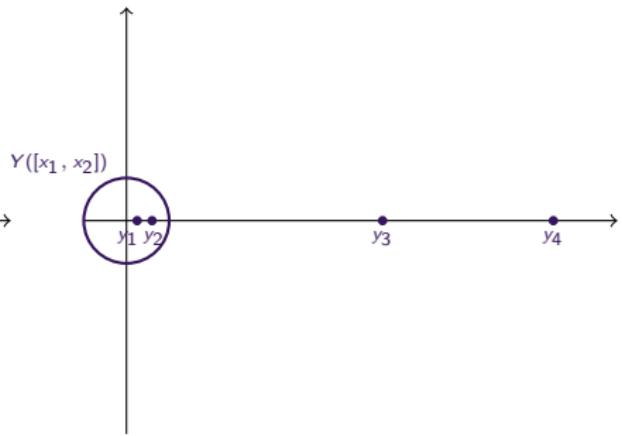
# Branches of the Kernel

## Kernel for Simple Walks

$$K(x, y) = xy \left[ t \left( x + y + x^{-1} + y^{-1} \right) - 1 \right].$$



$X([y_1, y_2])$  for Simple walk.



$Y([x_1, x_2])$  for Simple walk.

# Generating function $D(y)$ stated as a BVP

## Functional Equation

$$\begin{aligned} K_{\varphi_L}(x, y)L_{\varphi_L}(x, y) &= c_{\varphi_L}(x)L_{\varphi_L}(x, 0) - x \left[ x\tilde{a}_{\varphi_L}(y) + \frac{1}{2}\tilde{b}_{\varphi_L}(y) \right] D_{\varphi_L}(y) \\ &\quad - \frac{1}{2}xy + \frac{1}{2}tx\delta_{-1,-1}D_{\varphi_L}(0). \end{aligned}$$

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## Riemann-Carleman with shift BVP

By evaluating the functional equation in  $Y_{\varphi_L,0}$  and  $Y_{\varphi_L,1}$ , we can transform the functional equation into the following **boundary value problem**:

For  $y \in Y_{\varphi_L}([x_{\varphi_L,1}, x_{\varphi_L,2}])$ ,

$$\sqrt{\tilde{d}_{\varphi_L}(y)}D_{\varphi_L}(y) - \sqrt{\tilde{d}_{\varphi_L}(\bar{y})}D_{\varphi_L}(\bar{y}) = -y + \bar{y}.$$

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# Contour-integral expression for $D(y)$

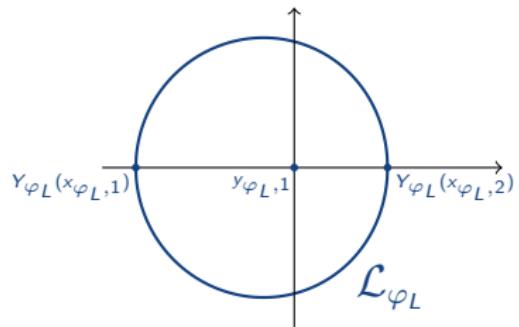
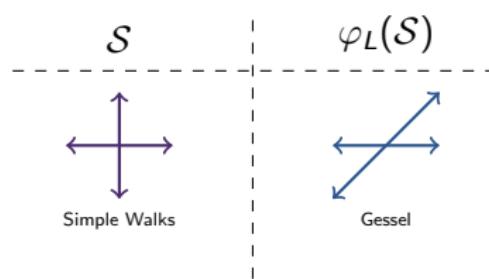
Theorem [Raschel, T., 2018]

Consider a symmetric step set that does not contain the steps  $(1, -1)$  and  $(-1, 1)$ .  
The diagonal section have the following contour-integral expression:

$$D_{\varphi_L}(y) = \frac{-w'_{\varphi_L}(y)}{\sqrt{(w_{\varphi_L}(y) - w_{\varphi_L}(Y_{\varphi_L}(x_{\varphi_L,1}))) (w_{\varphi_L}(y) - w_{\varphi_L}(Y_{\varphi_L}(x_{\varphi_L,2})))}} \\ \frac{1}{2i\pi} \int_{\mathcal{L}_{\varphi_L}} \frac{zw'_{\varphi_L}(z)}{\sqrt{w_{\varphi_L}(z) - w_{\varphi_L}(y_{\varphi_L,1})} (w_{\varphi_L}(z) - w_{\varphi_L}(y))} dz.$$

With  $w_{\varphi_L}$  a known conformal mapping, and  $\mathcal{L}_{\varphi_L}$  the contour  $Y_{\varphi_L}([x_{\varphi_L,1}, x_{\varphi_L,2}])$ .

# Example of the Simple walk



$w_{\varphi_L}$  (algebraic) can be expressed in terms of Weierstrass elliptic function.

Integral expression for  $D_{\varphi_L}(y)$

$$D_{\varphi_L}(y) = \frac{-w'_{\varphi_L}(y)}{\sqrt{(w_{\varphi_L}(y) - w_{\varphi_L}(Y_{\varphi_L}(x_{\varphi_L,1}))) (w_{\varphi_L}(y) - w_{\varphi_L}(Y_{\varphi_L}(x_{\varphi_L,2})))}} \\ \frac{1}{2i\pi} \int_{L_{\varphi_L}} \frac{zw'_{\varphi_L}(z)}{\sqrt{w_{\varphi_L}(z) - w_{\varphi_L}(y_{\varphi_L,1}) (w_{\varphi_L}(z) - w_{\varphi_L}(y))}} dz.$$

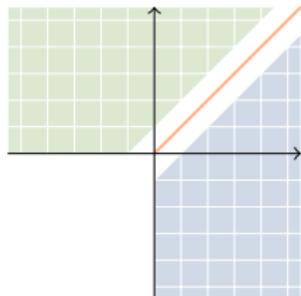
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Symmetry of the cut and the walk

$$\Rightarrow U(x, y) = L(y, x).$$

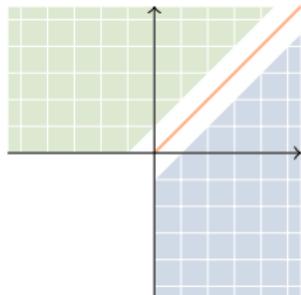
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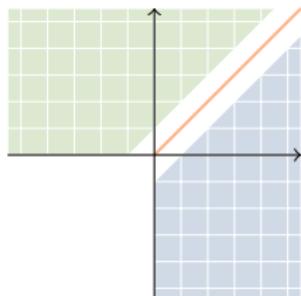
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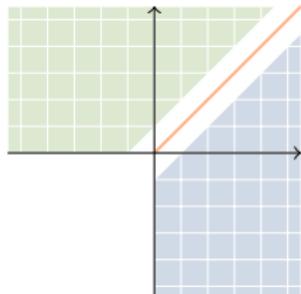
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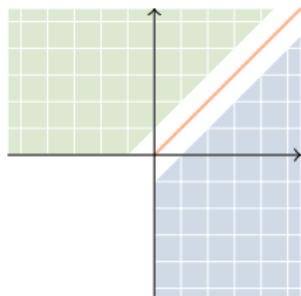
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- With the functional equation we get an expression of  $L_{\varphi_L}(x, y)$ ;
- With a change of variable we get an expression of  $D(x, y)$  and  $L(x, y)$ ;
- Then we have an expression of  $C(x, y)$ .

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# Further Objectives and Perspectives

## Limitations of our method

We made a restriction to:

- Symmetric step sets.
- Step sets with no jumps  $(-1, 1)$  and  $(1, -1)$ .

Otherwise, we have to deal with too many variables and/or with walks with big steps.

## Objectives

- Simplify the contour integral expression.
- Series expansion of the generating function.

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