

Exercise 1 - Pfaffian determinant

Consider an antisymmetric matrix $A = -A^T$ of even dimension $N = 2s$. From the definition of the Pfaffian determinant given in lecture prove that the following holds [induction is one possibility]:

$$\det[A] = (\text{Pf}[A])^2.$$

Exercise 2 - The k th gap and eigenvalue probability

Recall the definition of the probability to find the k -th eigenvalue, out of N eigenvalues $\{x_1, \dots, x_N\}$, at position $x_k = s$ from the lecture:

$$p_k^{(\beta)}(s) \equiv k \frac{N!}{(N-k)!k!} \left(\prod_{j=1}^{k-1} \int_{-\infty}^s dx_j \right) \left(\prod_{j=k+1}^N \int_s^{\infty} dx_j \right) P_N^{(\beta)}(x_1, \dots, x_{k-1}, x_k = s, x_{k+1}, \dots, x_N) \quad (1)$$

where $P_N^{(\beta)}(x_1, \dots, x_N)$ is the jpdf of the eigenvalues and β is the Dyson index.

Recall the definition of the gap probability given in the lecture

$$E_k^{(\beta)}(s) \equiv \frac{N!}{(N-k)!k!} \left(\prod_{j=1}^k \int_{-\infty}^s dx_j \right) \left(\prod_{j=k+1}^N \int_s^{\infty} dx_j \right) P_N^{(\beta)}(x_1, \dots, x_N) \quad (2)$$

where $P_N^{(\beta)}$ denotes the jpdf of N eigenvalues $\{x_1, \dots, x_N\}$, s denotes the gap parameter and β is the Dyson index.

1. Show that you can relate the Gap probability to the eigenvalue probability, i.e.

$$p_k^{(\beta)}(s) = - \sum_{l=0}^{k-1} \frac{\partial}{\partial s} E_l^{(\beta)}(s) \quad (3)$$

2. Show that for all k this probability is normalized to unity, i.e.

$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} ds p_k^{(\beta)}(s) = 1. \quad (4)$$
