

Statistics at the tip of a branching random walk, and simple models of evolution with selection

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Outline

Motivations

Bovier, Kurkova 2006

Aizenman, Sims, Staarr 2007

Arguin 2007

Lalley, Sellke 1987

The rightmost particle and the Fisher-KPP equation

Mc Kean 1975, Bramson 1978,1983

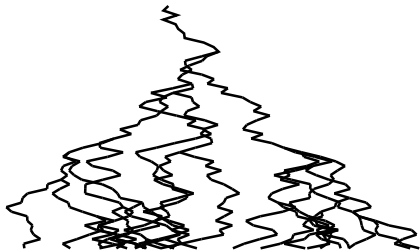
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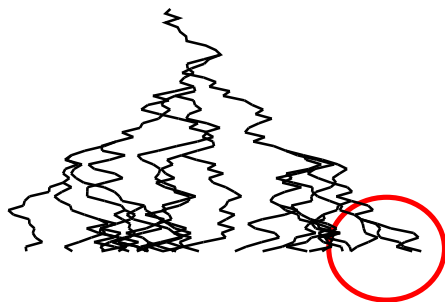


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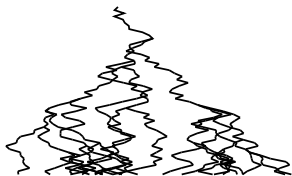
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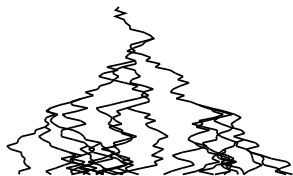
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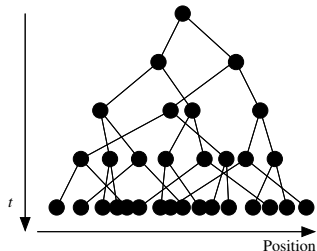
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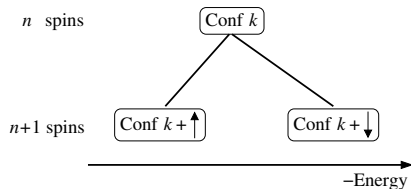
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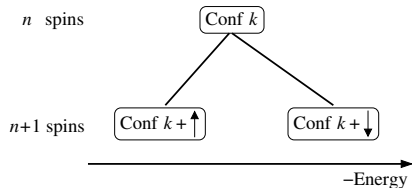
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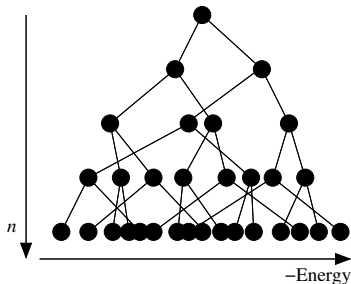
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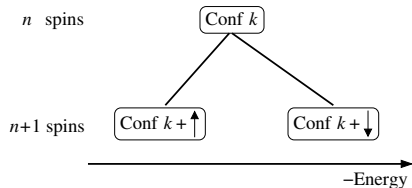
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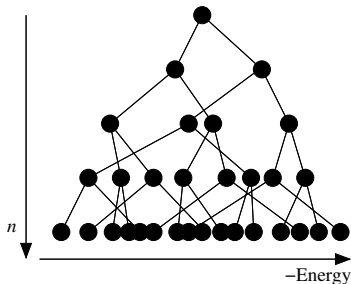
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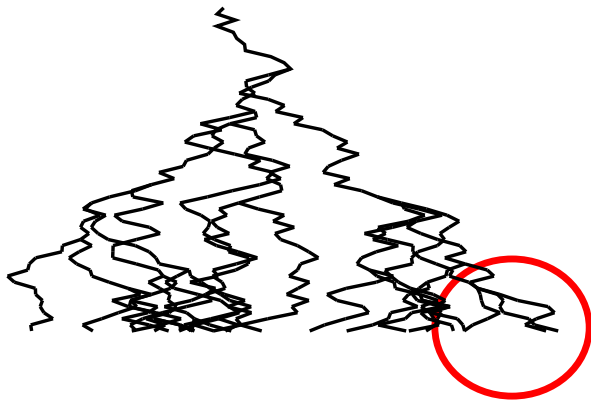
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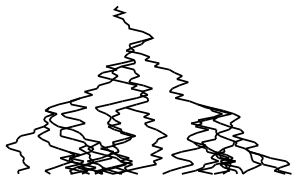
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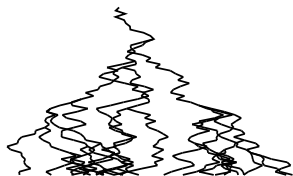
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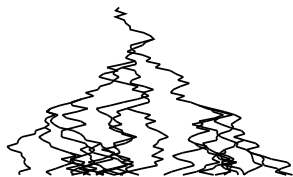
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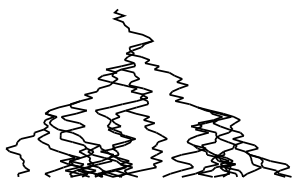
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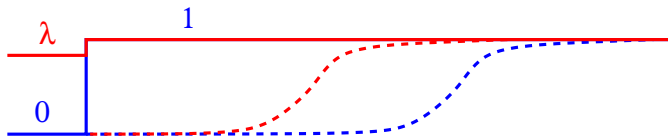
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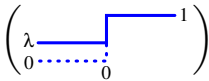
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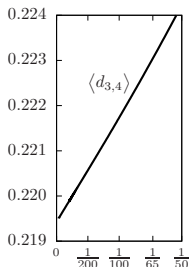
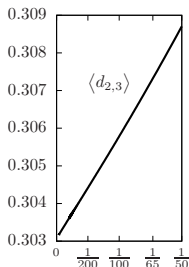
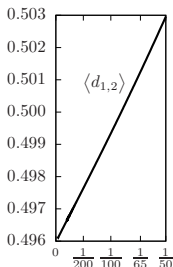
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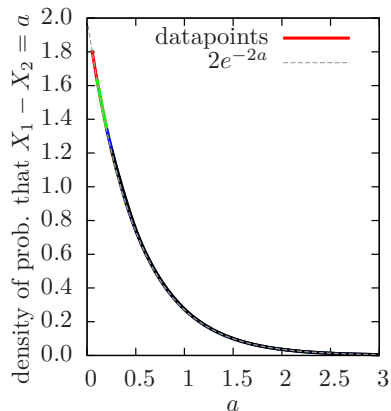
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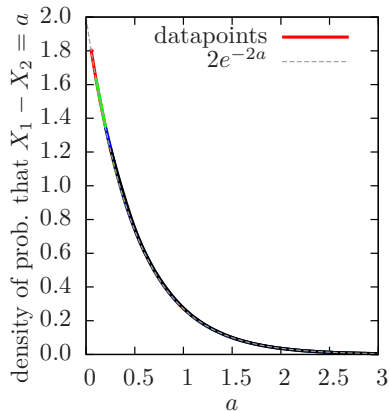
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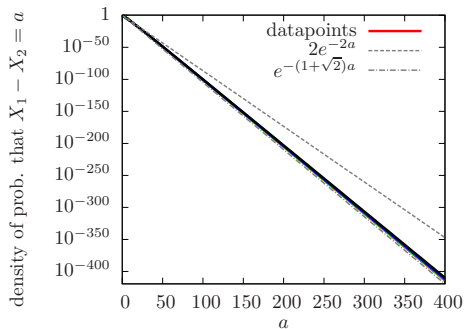
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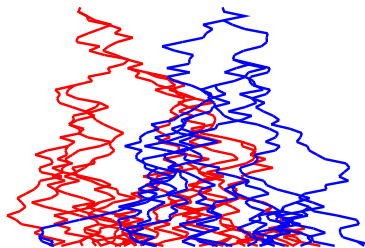
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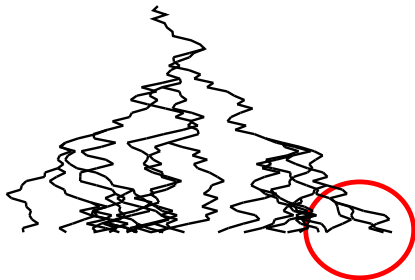
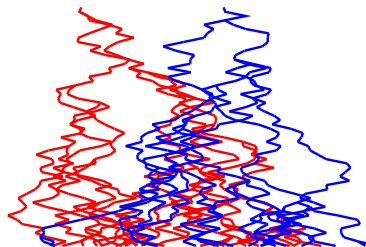
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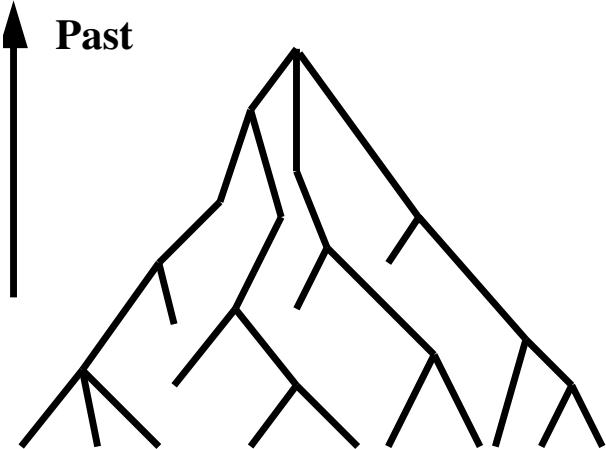


For large t , for the limiting measure of the distances

$$\text{BBM} + \text{BBM} = \text{BBM}$$

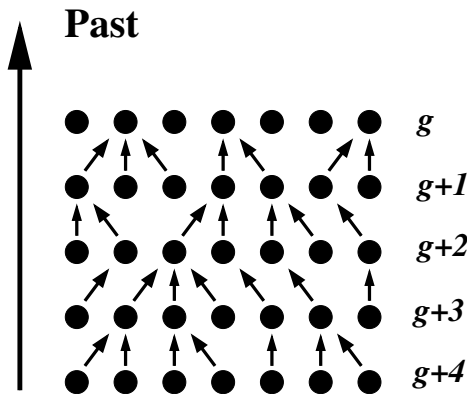
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Asexual Reproduction



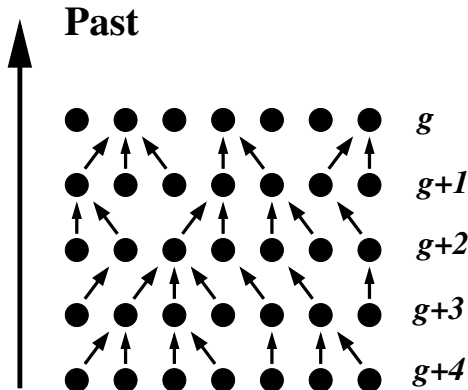
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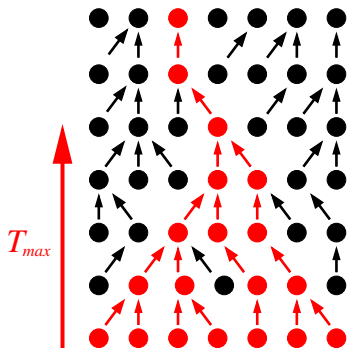
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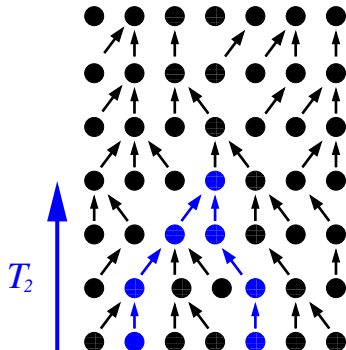
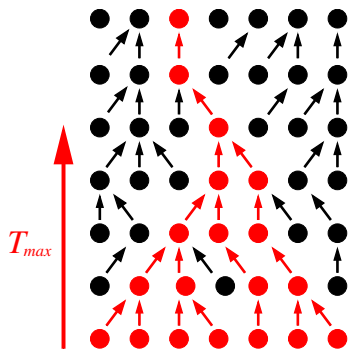


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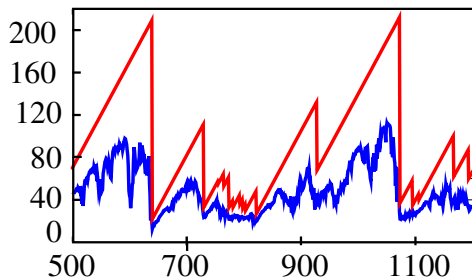
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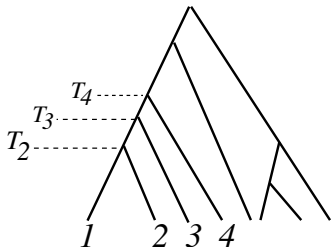
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Age T_p Kingman theory

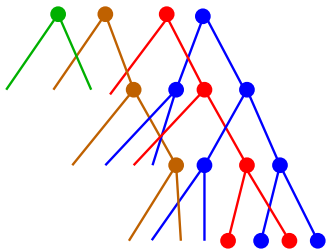
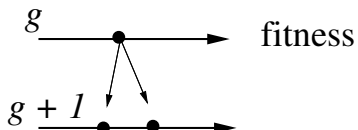
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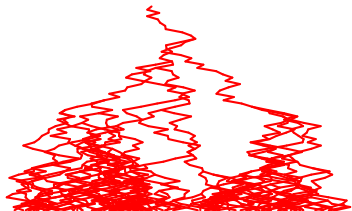
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MODELS OF EVOLUTION WITH SELECTION

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- ▶ Each individual has 2 offspring at the next generation
- ▶ The **fitness** is transmitted up to some small change due to mutations
- ▶ The N **right-most** individuals are **selected**

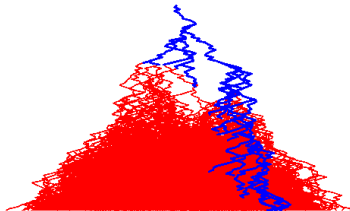
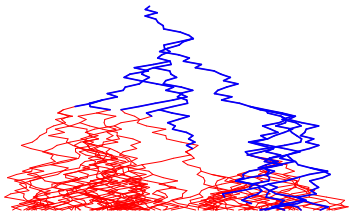


Branching random walk



$$N \leq 5$$

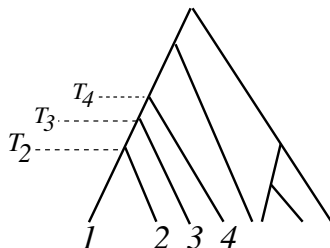
Branching random walk + selection



QUESTIONS

For a population of fixed size N

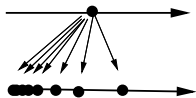
- ▶ Ages of the most recent common ancestors



- ▶ Shape of the genealogical trees

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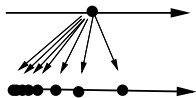
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Statistics of the trees

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spin-glass \equiv mean-field spin glasses






Parisi 79-80

Mézard-Parisi-Sourlas-

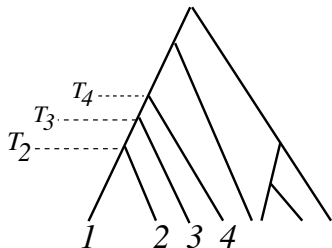
Toulouse-Virasoro 84

... Bolthausen-Sznitman 98

neutral \equiv Wright-Fisher model

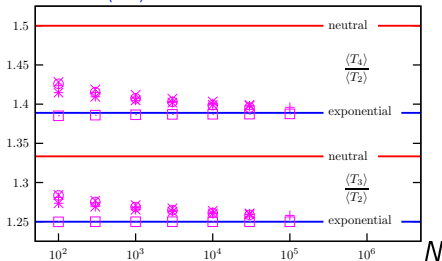
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	$\frac{1}{6}$	$\frac{1}{3}$
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	$\frac{2}{9}$	0
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Coalescence times: simulations $N \rightarrow 10^5$



T_p = age of the most common ancestor of p individuals chosen at random

Ratios $\frac{\langle T_p \rangle}{\langle T_2 \rangle}$



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selection \neq neutral

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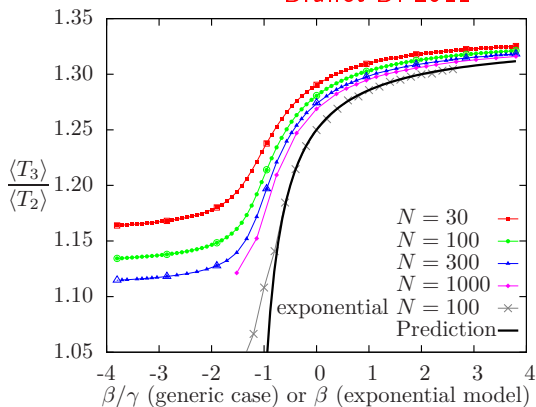
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	q_p/q_2 for $p > 2$
neutral	0
selection	$\frac{1}{p-1}$
$e^{-\beta X_t}$	$\frac{(p-2)! \Gamma(\beta+2)}{\Gamma(\beta+p)}$

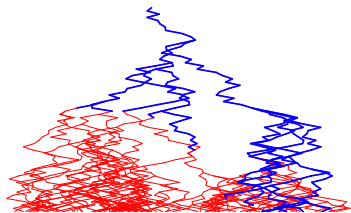
Fisher equation and branching random walk

The Fisher-KPP equation

$$\frac{dc}{dt} = \frac{d^2c}{dx^2} + c - c^2$$

Fisher 1937

Kolmogorov Petrovsky Piscounov 1937



selection

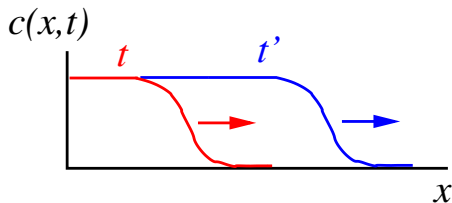
$Q(x, t)$ probability that the right-most walker is at the right of x

$$\frac{dQ}{dt} = \frac{d^2Q}{dx^2} + Q - Q^2 + \text{Noise}$$

Traveling wave equation + noise

$$\frac{dc}{dt} = \frac{d^2c}{dx^2} + c - c^2 + \frac{1}{\sqrt{N}} \eta(x, t) \sqrt{c(1-c)}$$

Brunet D. 1997



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$$v_N \simeq 2 - \frac{\pi^2}{\log^2 N} + \frac{6\pi^2 \log \log N}{\log^3 N}$$

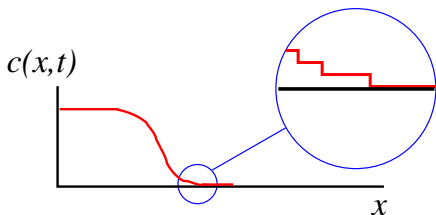
$$D_N \simeq \frac{2\pi^4}{3 \log^3 N}$$

Cut-off approximation

Brunet Derrida 1997, 2001

Branching random walk + selection

$$\frac{dc}{dt} = \frac{d^2c}{dx^2} + c - c^2 + \frac{1}{\sqrt{N}} \eta(x, t) \sqrt{c(1-c)}$$



Replace the noise by a cut-off

$$\frac{dc}{dt} = \frac{d^2c}{dx^2} + a(c)(c - c^2) \quad \text{where} \quad a(c) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } Nc \geq 1 \\ 0 & \text{if } Nc \ll 1 \end{cases}$$

Conclusion

Tip of a branching random walk \neq Poisson process

Selection \Rightarrow Bolthausen-Sznitman coalescent

Conditioning on the speed interpolates between Kingman and Bolthausen-Sznitman

Steady state measure for large N

Soluble case for the measure of the tip

Shape of the noisy KPP equation conditioned on the speed

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