



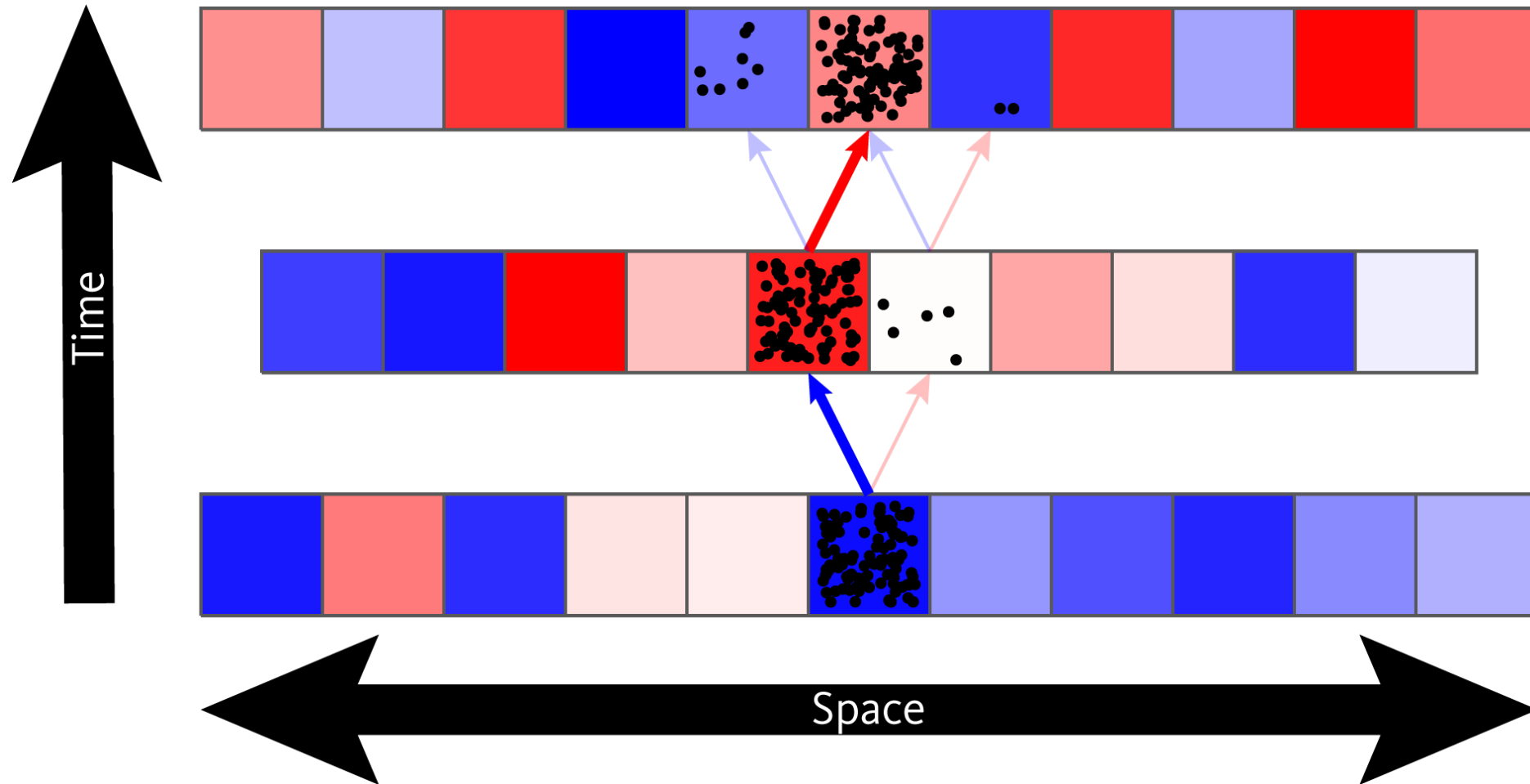
Pot of gold at the end of the KPZ rainbow

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Other initial conditions and multiple species?



Asymmetric simple exclusion process (ASEP)

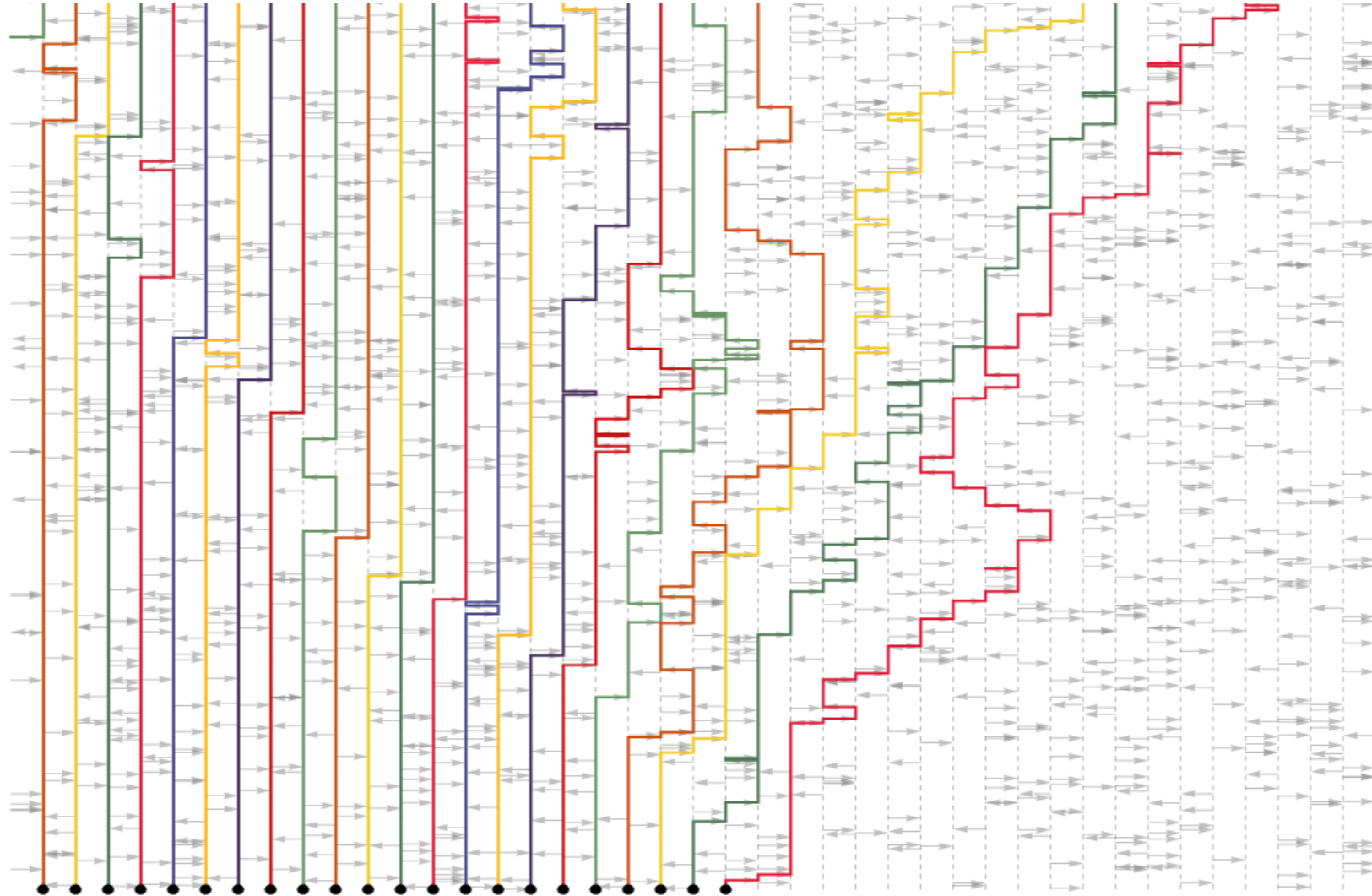
[MacDonald-Gibbs-Pipkin '68], [Spitzer '70]

Environment:

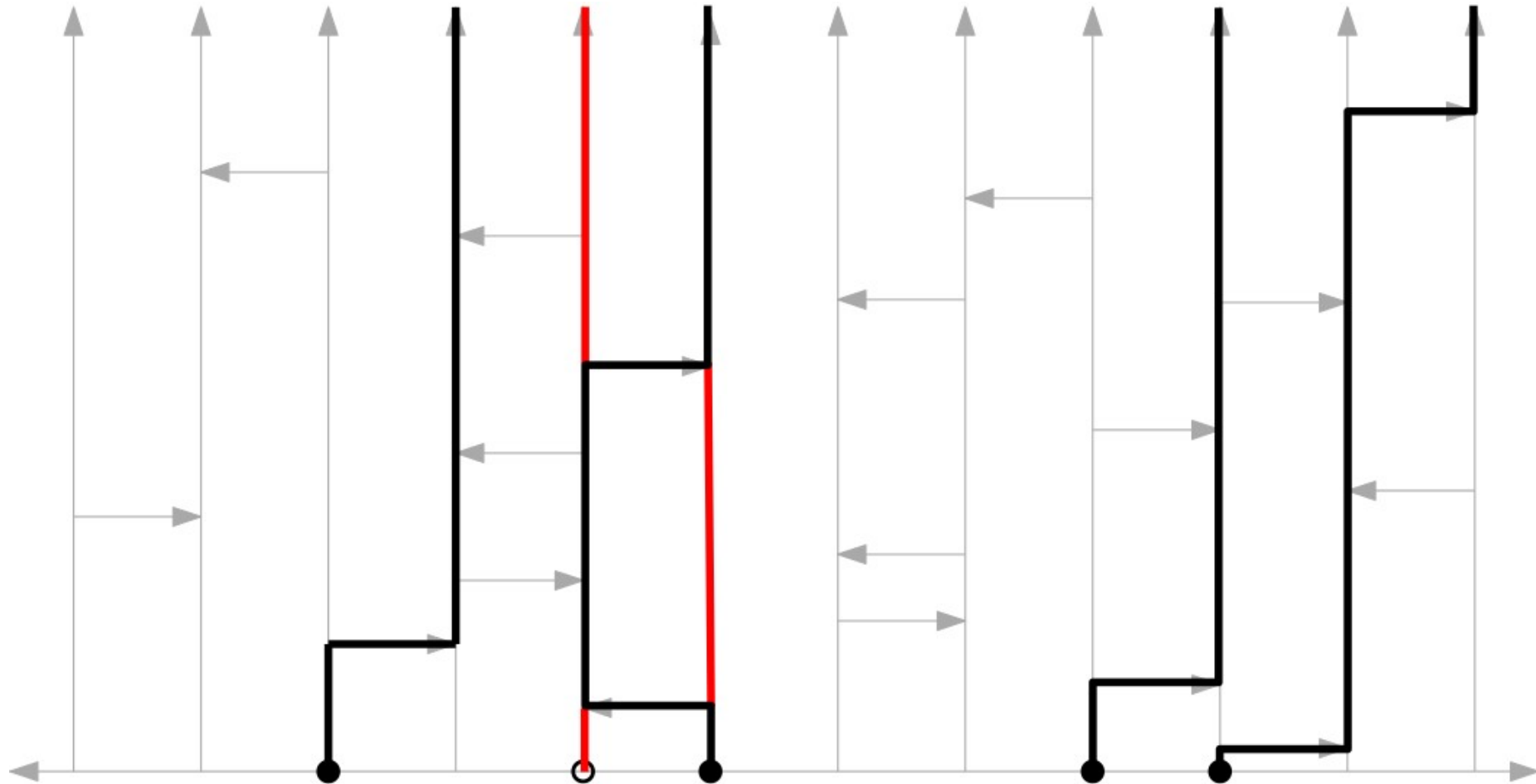
- Poisson rate 1 right arrows
- Poisson rate $q < 1$ left arrows
- All arrows are independent

Evolution:

- Particles follow arrows if they can



Different initial data evolve as colored ASEP

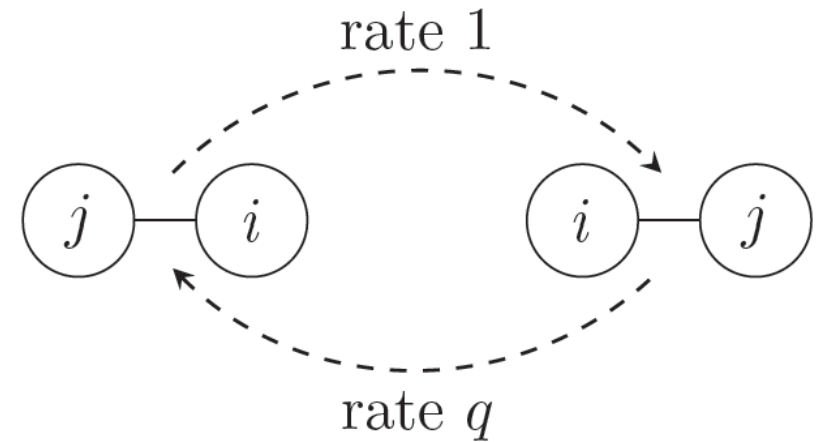
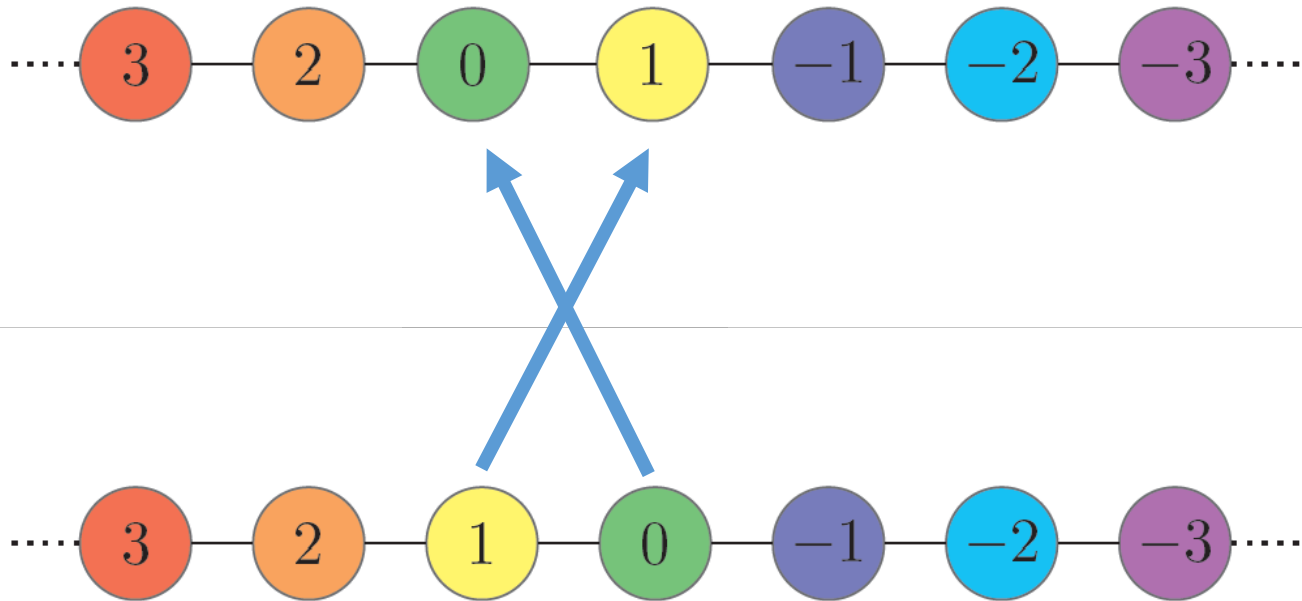


Red—**Black** becomes **Black**—**Red** at rate q

Black—**Red** becomes **Red**—**Black** at rate 1

Colored ASEP

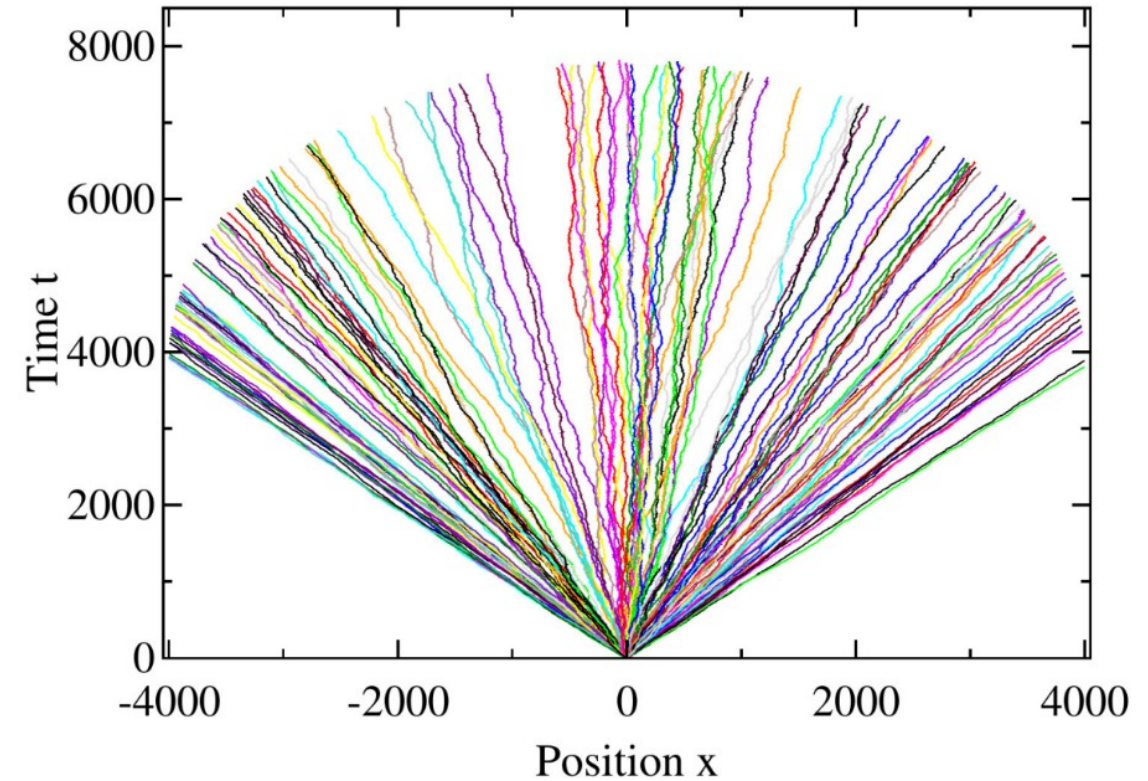
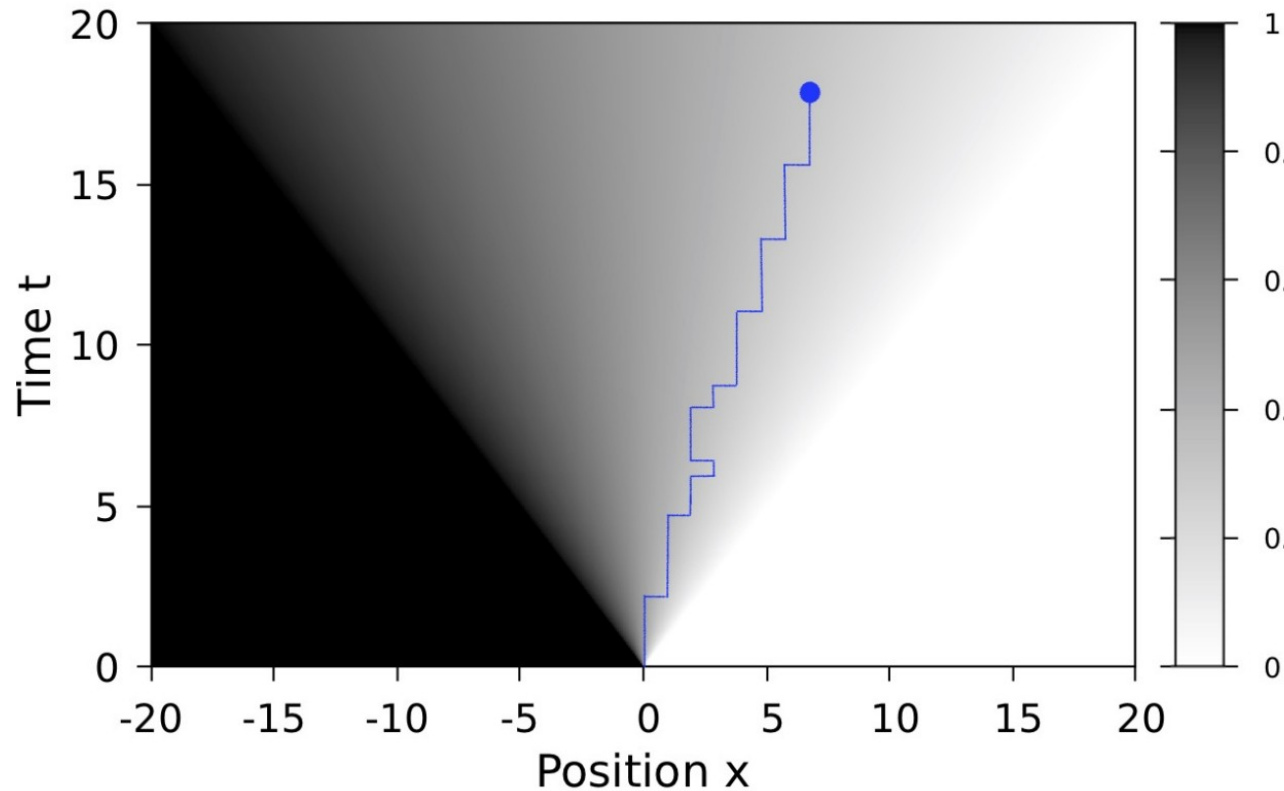
[Liggett '76], [Harris '78]



Always assume $q < 1$ and scale time by $(1-q)$

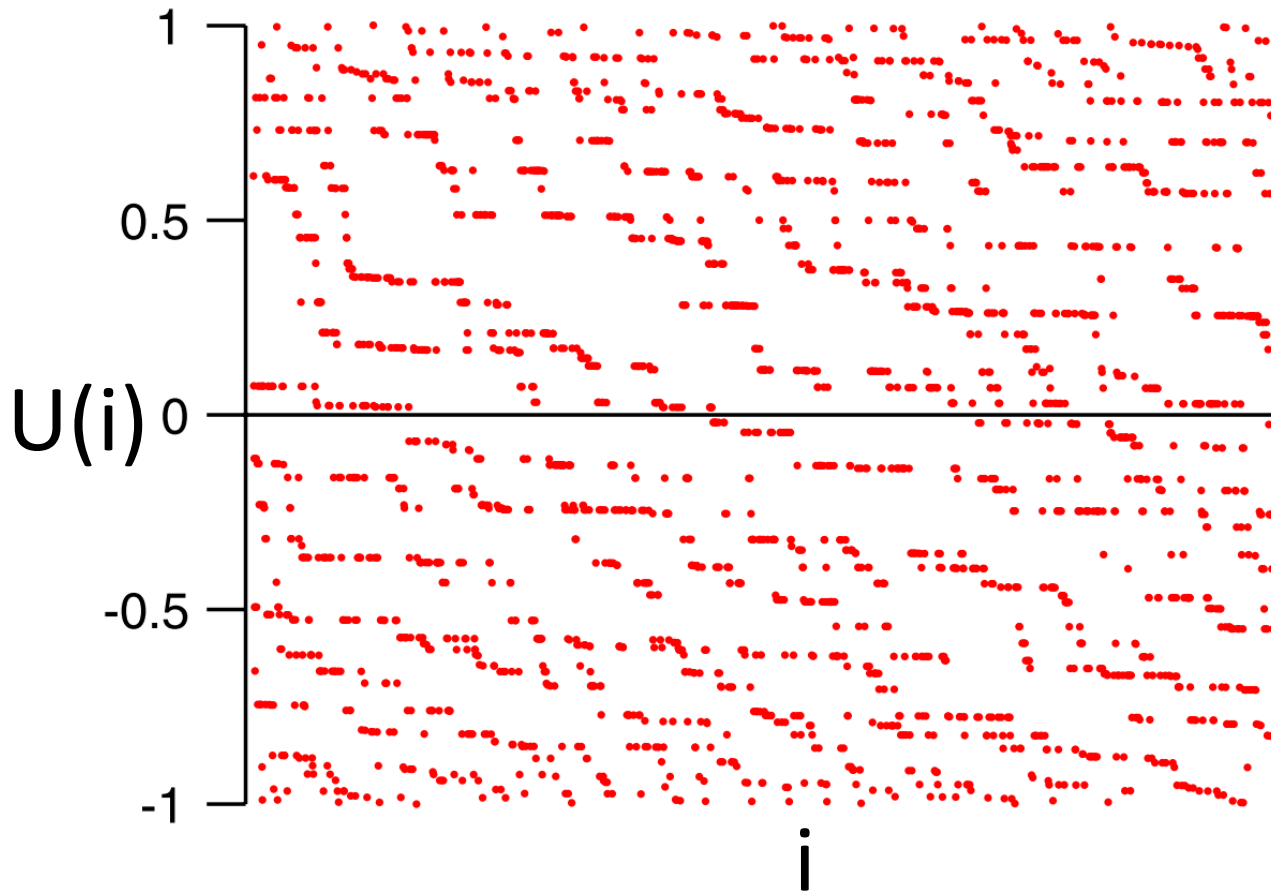
Motion of individual single colors

[Aggarwal-C-Ghosal '22]

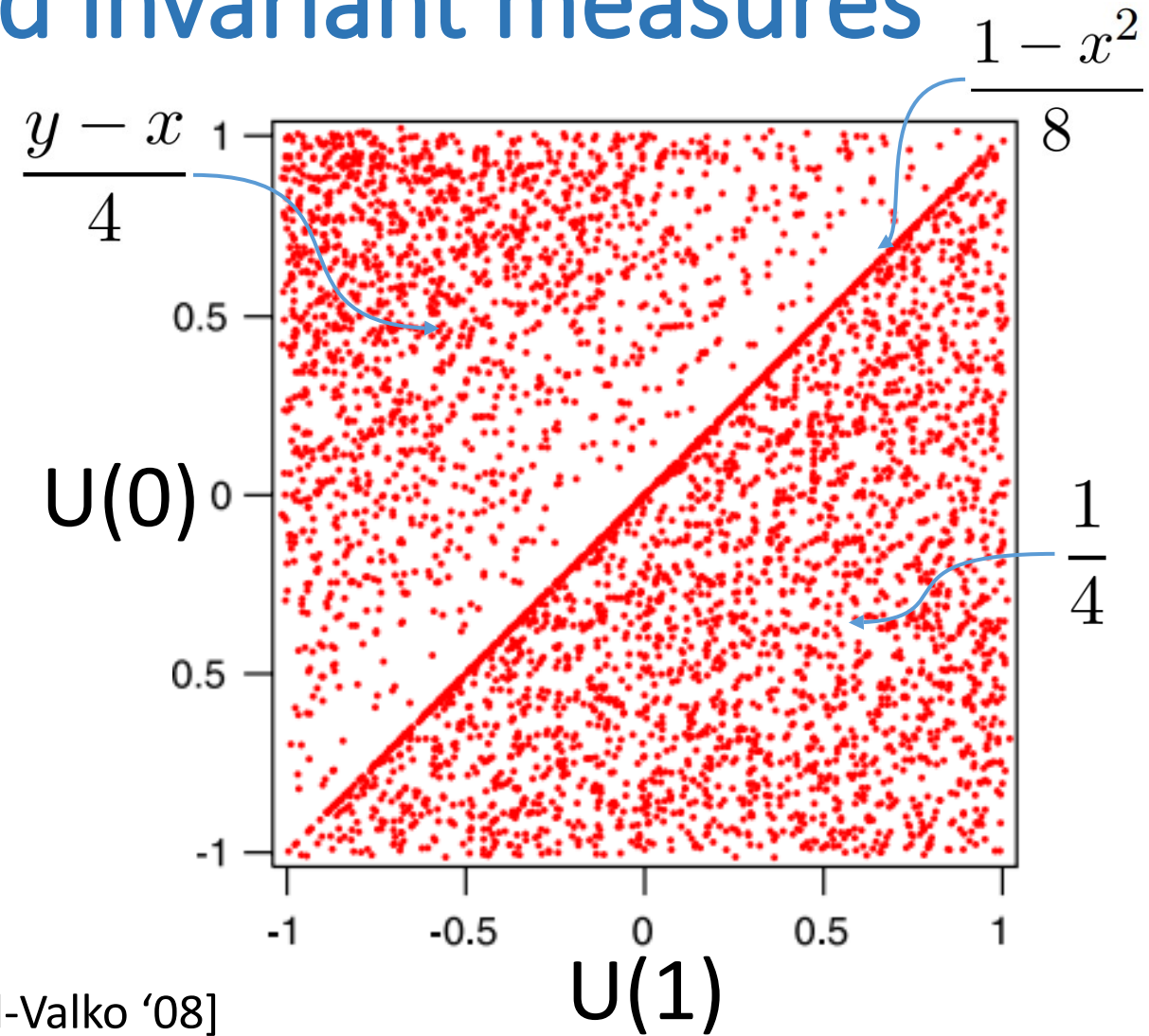


Thm: (Location of color i at time t) / $t \rightarrow U(i)$ almost surely.

ASEP speed process and invariant measures

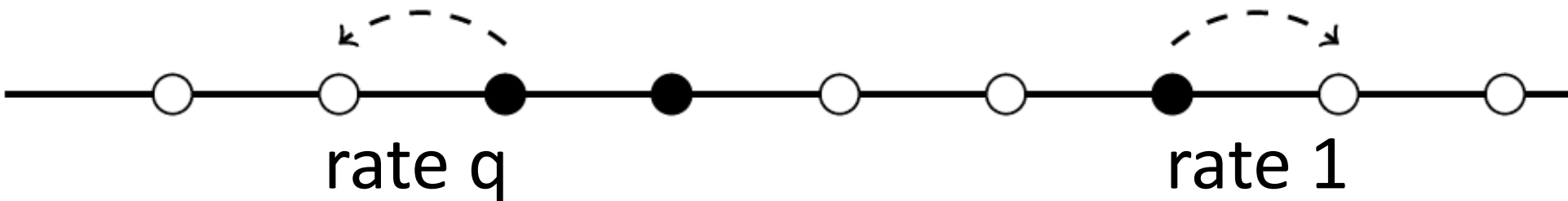
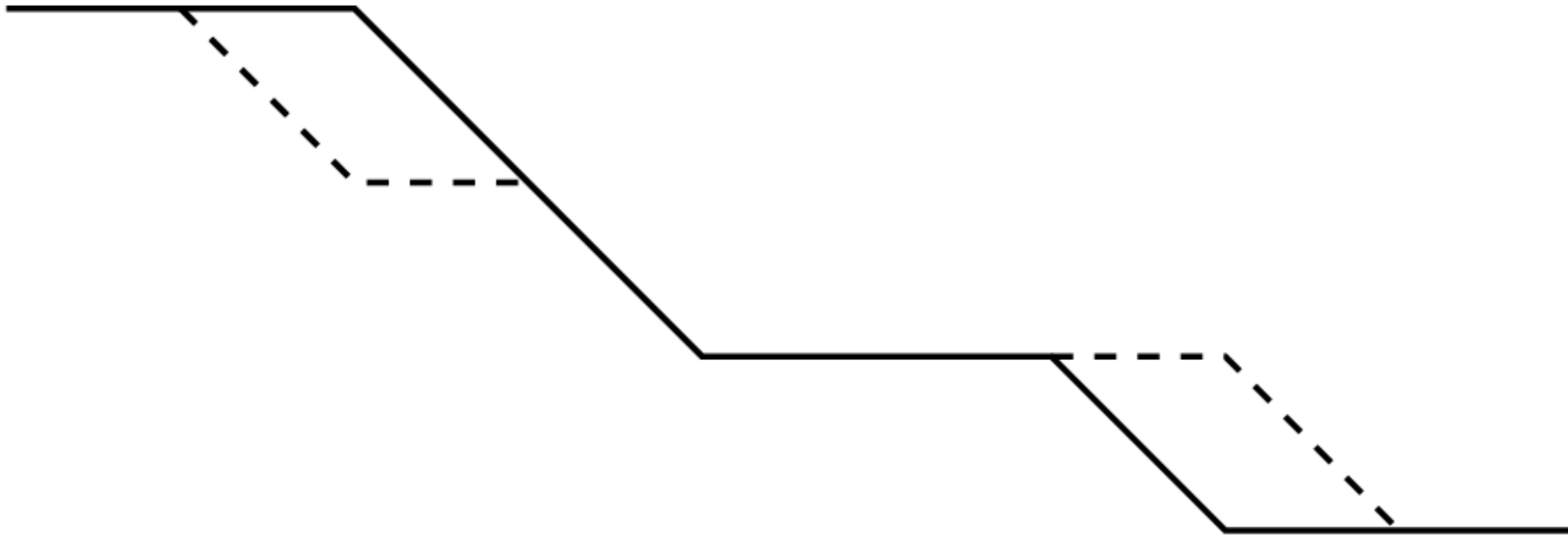


TASEP ($q=0$) case shown above from [Amir-Angel-Valko '08]



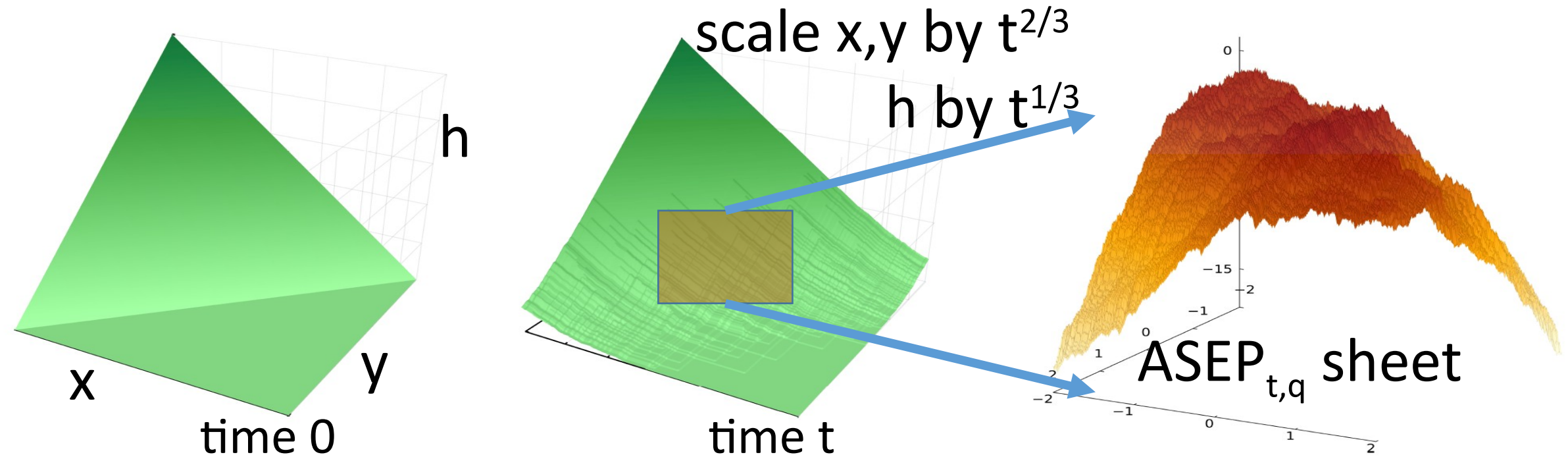
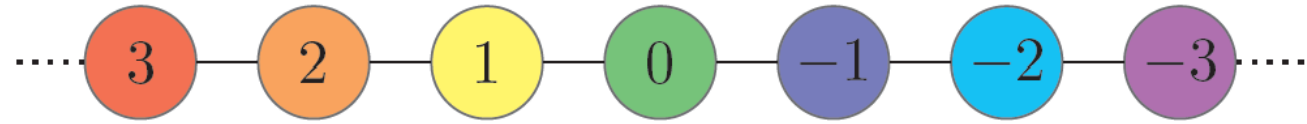
Thm: Colored ASEP with color $U(i)$ at site i initially is stationary.

ASEP height function evolution



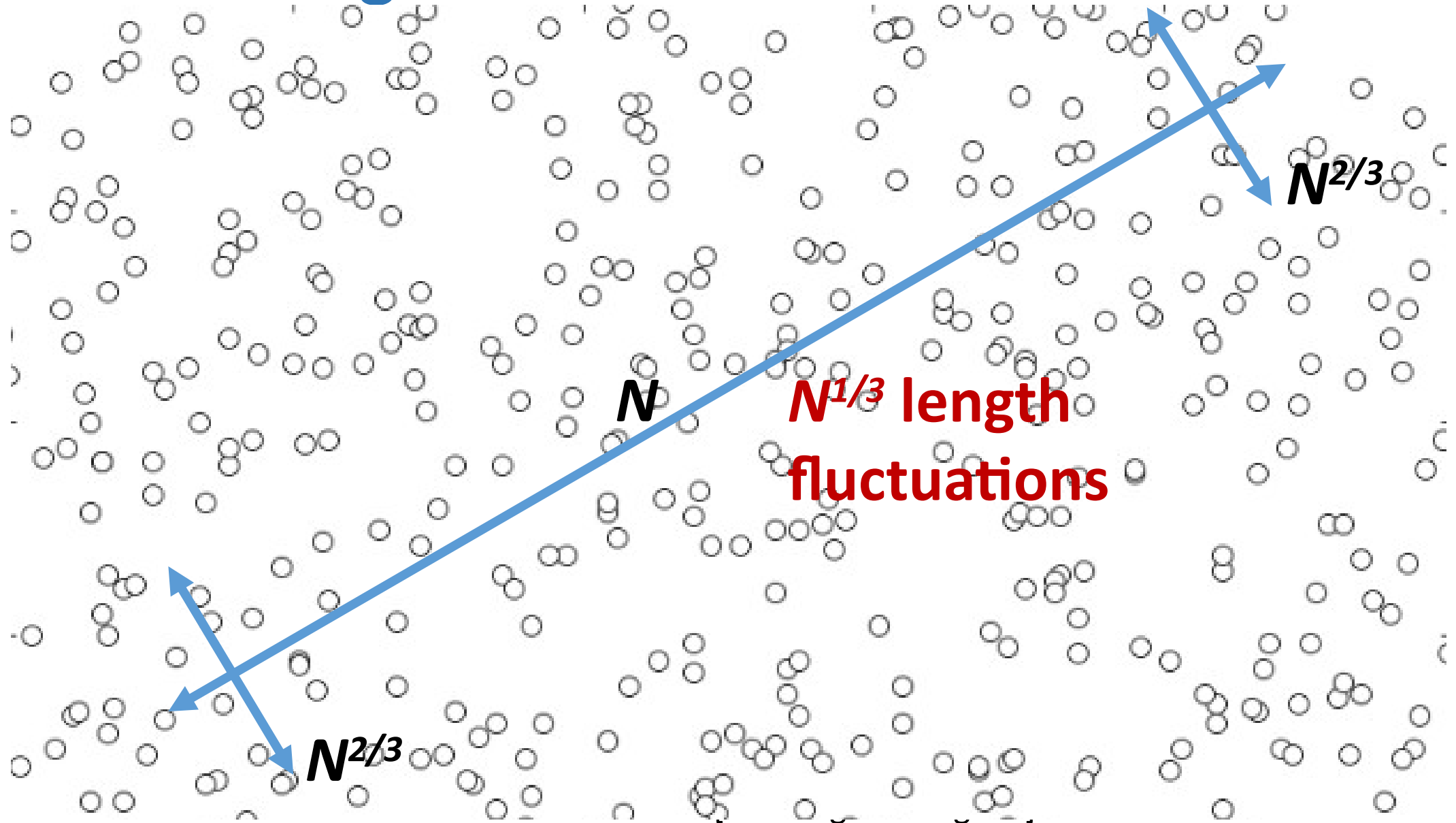
Mesoscopic scaling limit of colored ASEP

$h(x;y,t) := \#$ particles of color $\geq x$ to right of y at time t



Thm: The $ASEP_{t,q}$ sheet converges to the **Airy sheet** $\mathcal{S}(x; y)$.

Scaling limits of random 2d metric?



The directed landscape from the Airy sheet

Unique random continuous function $\mathcal{L} : \mathbb{R}_{\uparrow}^4 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ that satisfies:

1. Airy sheet marginals: For any $s \in \mathbb{R}$ and $t > 0$,

$$(x, y) \mapsto \mathcal{L}(x, s; y, s + t) \stackrel{d}{=} (x, y) \mapsto t^{1/3} \mathcal{S}(xt^{-2/3}; yt^{-2/3}).$$

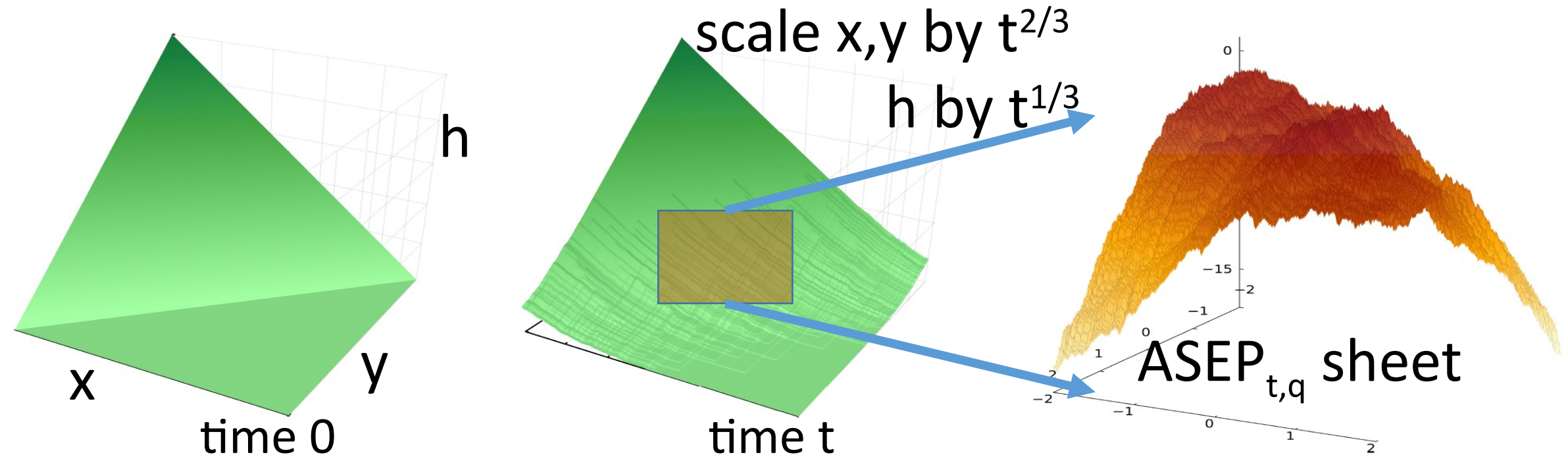
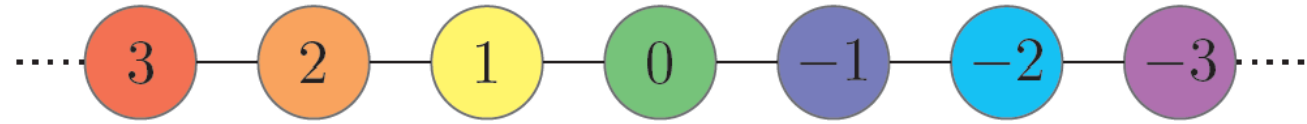
2. Independent increments: The functions $(x, y) \mapsto \mathcal{L}(x, s_i; y, t_i)$ are independent for disjoint time intervals $\{(s_i, t_i) : i \in \llbracket 1, k \rrbracket\}$.

3. Composition law: For all $r < s < t$,

$$\mathcal{L}(x, r; y, t) = \max_{z \in \mathbb{R}} \left(\mathcal{L}(x, r; z, s) + \mathcal{L}(z, s; y, t) \right).$$

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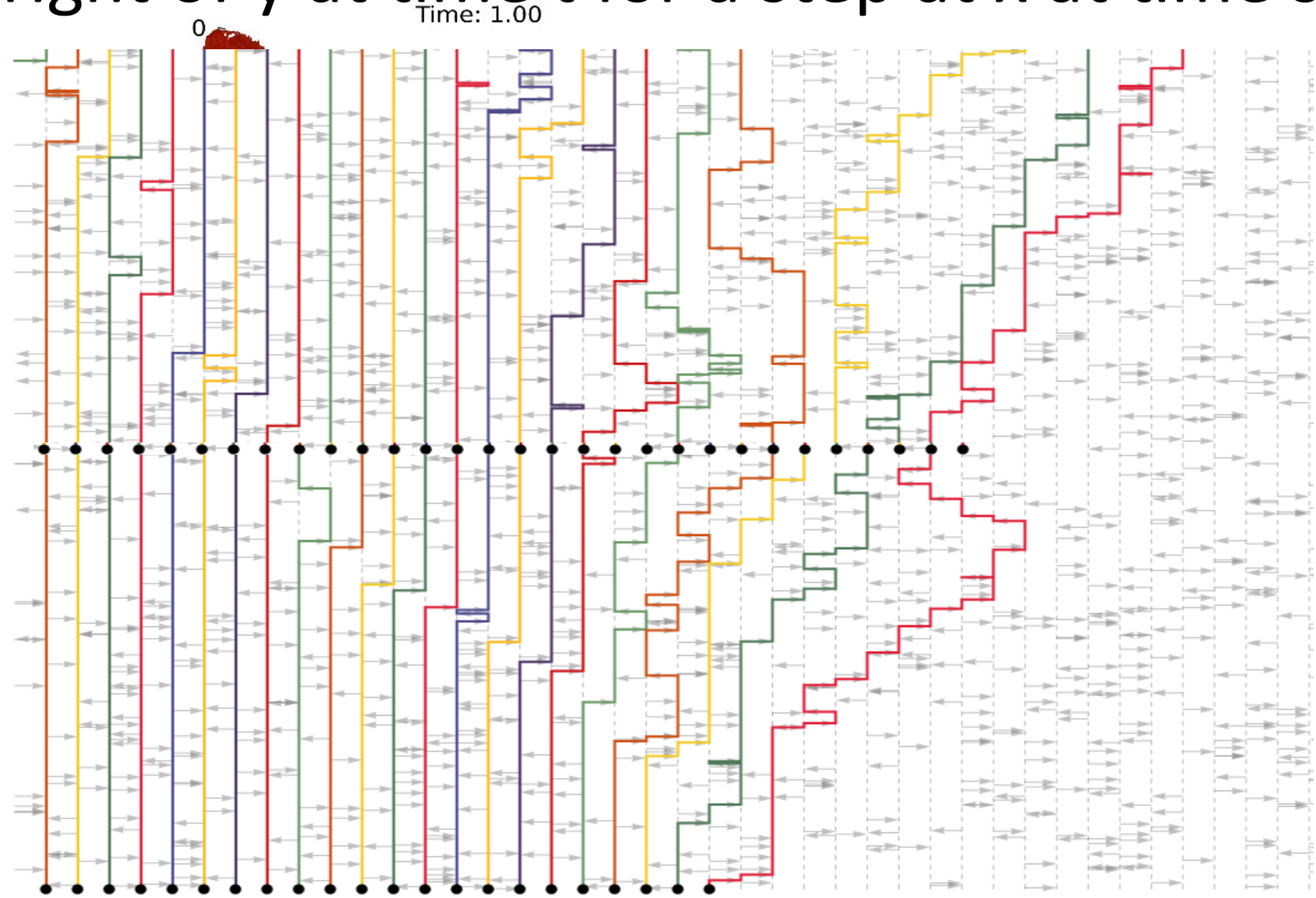
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Directed landscape from colored ASEP

$h(x,s;y,t) := \#$ particles right of y at time t for a step at x at time s

KPZ scaling/centering:
Let R_ε act on h by
scaling s and t by ε^{-1} , x
and y by $\varepsilon^{-2/3}$, h by ε ,
and centering.

Cor: As $\varepsilon \rightarrow 0$,
 $R_\varepsilon h(x,s;t,y) \rightarrow$ the
directed landscape.



Convergence of the random dynamic system

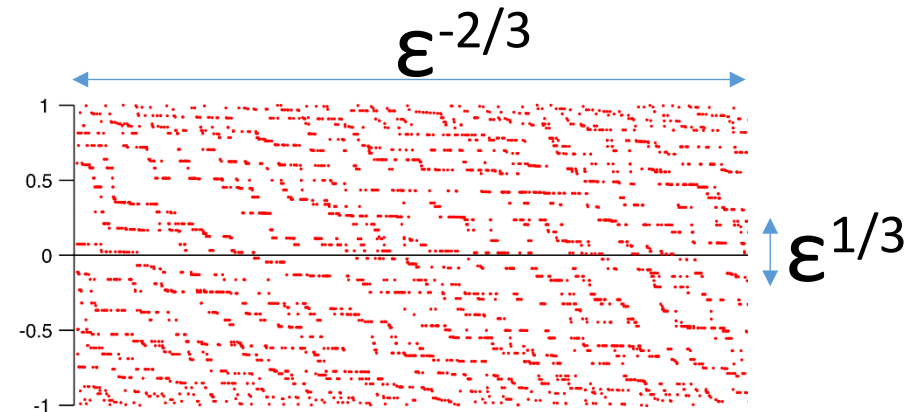
Cor: Under KPZ scaling/centering, the random dynamical system mapping height function initial data to height function evolution has a scaling limit:

$$\mathfrak{h}_0 \mapsto \mathfrak{h}(\mathfrak{h}_0; y, t) := \sup_{x \in \mathbb{R}} \left(\mathfrak{h}_0(x) + \mathcal{L}(x, 0; y, t) \right).$$

For a single initial data this Markov process is known as the ‘KPZ fixed point’ and its transition probabilities are known.

Scaling limits of coupled stationary measures

Cor: Under KPZ scaling and $\varepsilon^{1/3}$ scaling of density the ASEP speed process converges to the ‘stationary horizon’.



E.g. Two coupled stationary height functions converge to

$$f_1(x), \Phi(f_1, f_2)(x)$$

where f_1, f_2 are independent two-sided Brownian motions of strictly ordered prescribed drifts and

$$\Phi(f, g)(y) = f(y) + \sup_{-\infty < x \leq y} \{g(x) - f(x)\} - \sup_{-\infty < x \leq 0} \{g(x) - f(x)\}.$$

Decoupling hypothesis in fluctuating hydrodynamics

Start colored ASEP with $\tilde{\eta}_0 \in \{0, 1, 2\}^{\mathbb{Z}}$ in the stationary measure with 1, 2 density $\frac{1}{2}\beta\varepsilon^{1/3}, \frac{1}{2}$. Evolve and let


$$\eta_t^{(1)}(x) = \mathbb{1}_{\tilde{\eta}_t(x) \geq 1} \quad , \quad \eta_t^{(2)}(x) = \mathbb{1}_{\tilde{\eta}_t(x) = 2} \quad .$$

Cor: The two-point function (space-time covariance)

$$S_{k\ell}^{\beta, \varepsilon}(t, x) = \text{Cov}(\eta_0^{(k)}(0), \eta_t^{(\ell)}(x))$$

Under KPZ scaling has a limit which, as $\beta \rightarrow \infty$, converges to zero except for $S_{kk}^{\beta, \varepsilon}$ with $k = 2$ which yields $\frac{1}{32}g''_{\text{BR}}(x)$.

Summary

- ✓ Defined basic coupling and colored ASEP 
- ✓ Construct ASEP speed process & coupled stationary measures
- ✓ Thm: ASEP sheets \rightarrow Airy sheet
- ✓ Cor: ASEP steps under basic coupling \rightarrow directed landscape
- ✓ Cor: Random dynamical system \rightarrow variational problem in DL
- ✓ Cor: ASEP speed process \rightarrow stationary horizon
- ✓ Cor: Verified decoupling hypothesis for colored ASEP
- Extend to other models solvable via Yang-Baxter (e.g. RW, RE)
- Probe 'fine' details, mixing times, large deviations...

