

# Large Deviations of the Smallest Eigenvalue of Wishart-Laguerre Ensemble

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# Wishart-Laguerre Ensemble

- Experiment: where  $N$  quantities are measure  $M$  times

$$X^T = \underbrace{\begin{pmatrix} x_{11} & x_{12} & \dots & x_{1M} \\ \vdots & & & \vdots \\ x_{N1} & x_{N2} & \dots & x_{NM} \end{pmatrix}}_{M \text{ repetitions}} \left. \vphantom{\begin{pmatrix} x_{11} & x_{12} & \dots & x_{1M} \\ \vdots & & & \vdots \\ x_{N1} & x_{N2} & \dots & x_{NM} \end{pmatrix}} \right\} N \text{ quantities, } \quad W = \underbrace{X^T X}_{N \times N \text{ matrix}}$$

- The Wishart-Laguerre ensemble is the random-matrix version, i.e.  $x_{ij} \sim N(0, 1)$
- Normally  $N < M$  (better  $N \ll M$ )
- When  $N = M$ , square matrices
- When  $N \sim N$ ,  $M - N = \mathcal{O}(1)$ , almost square matrices
- Sometimes  $N > M$  (anti-Wishart ensemble)

# Wishart-Laguerre Ensemble

- We consider Wishart ensemble (Biometrika, 1928)
- Distribution of the  $M \times N$  matrix  $X$  is Gaussian

$$P(X) \sim \exp \left[ -\frac{\beta}{2} \text{Tr} X^\dagger X \right]$$

( $\beta = 1, 2, 4$  Dyson index)

- Wishart matrix  $W = X^T X$
- In recent years, increased interest in so-called generalised  $\beta$ -ensembles (Dumitriu, 2003)

# Density of Eigenvalues

- From distribution of Wishart matrices  $\Rightarrow$  joint distribution of  $N$  eigenvalues

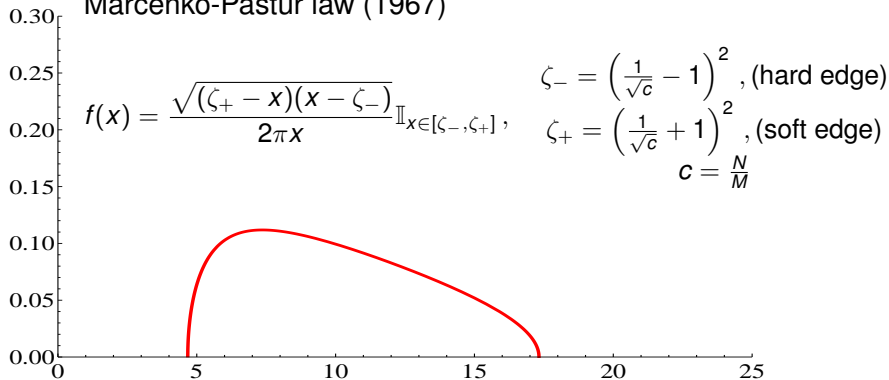
$$\varrho_N(\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_N) = \frac{1}{Z_0} e^{-\frac{\beta}{2} \sum_{i=1}^N \lambda_i} \prod_{i=1}^N \lambda_i^{\frac{\beta}{2}(1+M-N)-1} \prod_{j < k} |\lambda_j - \lambda_k|^\beta$$

- First interesting object of study is the spectral density

$$\rho_N(\lambda) = \int d\lambda_1 \cdots d\lambda_N \varrho_N(\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_N) \left( \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N \delta(\lambda - \lambda_i) \right)$$

# The Marčenko-Pastur Law

- For large  $N$ ,  $\rho_N(\lambda) = (1/N)f(\lambda/N)$  follows the Marčenko-Pastur law (1967)



$$c = 1/10, \zeta_- = 4.678, \zeta_+ = 17.324$$

# The Smallest Eigenvalue

## Mathematics

- invertibility of Wishart matrix is controlled by  $\lambda_{\min}$
- Compressive sensing: fluctuations of  $\lambda_{\min}$  set bounds on # of measurements to fully recover a sparse signal

## Statistics

- Statistical tests based on  $W^{-1}$  (e.g. Hotelling's  $T$ -square test)

## Physics

- Quantum information -measure of entanglement

# The Smallest Eigenvalue

Exact expressions for finite  $N$  and  $M$  using various techniques, e.g.

- Edelman's approach (1991)

$$\rho_{M,N}^{(\min)}(\lambda) = C_{M,N} \lambda^{(M-N-1)/2} e^{-\lambda N/2} g_{M,N}(\lambda)$$

with  $g_{M,N}(\lambda)$  polynomials (different expressions for  $M - N$  even or odd).

These expressions (and similar ones) difficult to evaluate for large sizes.

For large  $N$ , information on the typical fluctuations of the smallest eigenvalue ( $c < 1$ ): Tracy-Widom distribution (Feldheim & Sodin, 2010)

$$\lambda_{\min} = \zeta_- - \zeta_-^{2/3} c^{1/6} N^{-2/3} \chi_\beta, \quad \chi_\beta \sim TW_\beta$$



# Our Goal

Study large fluctuations of the smallest eigenvalue

- simple expressions for rate functions for large deviations.

$$P_N^{(\min)}(t) \sim e^{-\beta N^2 \Phi_+^{(\min)}\left(\frac{t - N\zeta_-}{N}\right)}, \quad N\zeta_- \leq t < \infty$$

$$P_N^{(\min)}(t) \sim e^{-\beta N \Phi_-^{(\min)}\left(\frac{N\zeta_- - t}{N}\right)}, \quad 0 \leq t \leq N\zeta_-$$

- valid for any  $\beta$  and any  $c$

# Coulomb Gas approach

- From joint distribution of eigenvalues

$$\varrho_N(\boldsymbol{\lambda}) = \frac{1}{Z_0} e^{-\frac{\beta}{2} \sum_{i=1}^N \lambda_i} \prod_{i=1}^N \lambda_i^{\frac{\beta}{2}(1+M-N)-1} \prod_{j < k} |\lambda_j - \lambda_k|^\beta$$

- Coulomb Gas: eigenvalues as a system of charged particles in a 2D world (logarithmic potential), constrained to the real line and external linear-log potential

$$\varrho_N(\boldsymbol{\lambda}) = \frac{e^{-\beta F(\boldsymbol{\lambda})/2}}{Z_0}$$

with

$$F(\boldsymbol{\lambda}) = \sum_{i=1}^N \lambda_i - \left(1 + M - N - \frac{2}{\beta}\right) \sum_{i=1}^N \log \lambda_i - \sum_{i \neq j} \log |\lambda_i - \lambda_j|$$

# Coulomb Gas approach

- Quantity to calculate:

$$P_N^{(\min)}(t) \equiv \text{Prob}(\lambda_{\min} \geq t) = \int_t^\infty d\lambda \rho_N^{(\min)}(\lambda) = \frac{Z(t)}{Z_0}$$

with

$$Z(t) = \int_t^\infty \cdots \int_t^\infty e^{-\frac{\beta}{2}F(\lambda)} d\lambda_1 \cdots d\lambda_N$$

and  $Z_0 = Z(t=0)$ .

- Coulomb gas with hard wall at  $t$ .

# Continuum approach

- Introduce the density of particles

$$\rho(\lambda) = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N \delta(\lambda - \lambda_i)$$

- Change variables:  $(\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_N) \rightarrow \rho(\lambda)$

$$\begin{aligned} Z(t) &= \int_t^\infty d\lambda e^{-\frac{\beta}{2} F(\lambda)} \\ &= \int D\rho e^{-\frac{\beta}{2} F[\rho(\lambda)]} \int_t^\infty d\lambda \delta_{(F)} \left[ \rho(\lambda) - \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N \delta(\lambda - \lambda_i) \right] \end{aligned}$$

- Rescaling:  $\rho(\lambda) = f(\lambda/N)/N$

# Analytics - Path integral

To obtain

$$Z(t) = \int Df e^{-\frac{\beta}{2} N^2 S[f(x)]}$$

with

$$\begin{aligned} S[f(x)] = & \int_{\zeta}^{\infty} dx f(x) x - \left( \alpha + \frac{\beta - 2}{\beta N} \right) \int_{\zeta}^{\infty} dx f(x) \log x \\ & - \iint_{\zeta}^{\infty} dx dy f(x) f(y) \log |x - y| \\ & + \frac{2}{\beta N} \int_{\zeta}^{\infty} dx f(x) \log f(x) + C_1 \left( \int_{\zeta}^{\infty} dx f(x) - 1 \right) \end{aligned}$$

with  $\alpha = (1 - c)/c$ .

- No Dyson correction in the entropic term

# Analytics- Saddle-point method

Stationary approximation (neglecting  $1/N$  terms):

$$0 = \frac{\delta S[f(x)]}{\delta f(x)}$$

and differentiation with respect  $x$  we obtain

$$\frac{1}{2} - \frac{\alpha}{2x} = P \int_{\zeta}^{\infty} dx' \frac{f_*(x')}{x - x'}, \quad \zeta \leq x < \infty$$

Tricomi equation

# Analytics: Finite Interval Hilbert Transformation

Solution (Mathematical solution + normalisation + positivity):

$$f_{\star}(x) = \frac{\sqrt{U-x}}{\sqrt{x-\zeta}} \left( \frac{x - \alpha\sqrt{\zeta/U}}{x} \right) \mathbb{I}_{x \in [\zeta, U]}, \quad \zeta \geq \zeta_{-}$$

with  $U \equiv U(c, \zeta) = w^2(c, \zeta)$  with

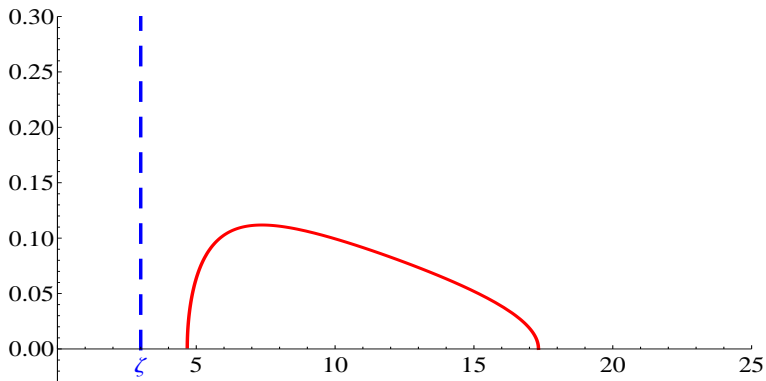
$$w(c, \zeta) = \frac{2p}{3\rho^{1/3}} \cos\left(\frac{\theta + 2\pi}{3}\right), \quad p = -[\zeta + 2(2 + \alpha)]$$

$$q = 2\alpha\sqrt{\zeta}, \quad \rho = \sqrt{-\frac{p^3}{27}}, \quad \theta = \operatorname{atan}\left(\frac{2\sqrt{B}}{q}\right),$$

$$B = -\left(\frac{p^3}{27} + \frac{q^2}{4}\right)$$

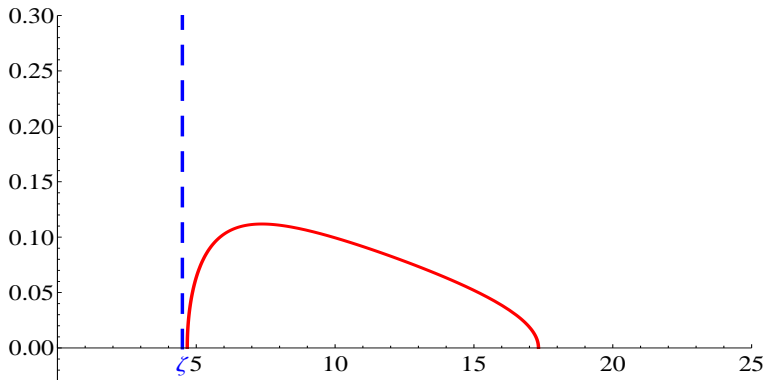
For  $\zeta \leq \zeta_{-}$  we have  $U(c, \zeta_{-}) = \zeta_{+}$  ( $\sqrt{\zeta_{-} - \zeta_{+}} = \alpha$ )

# An intuitive representation

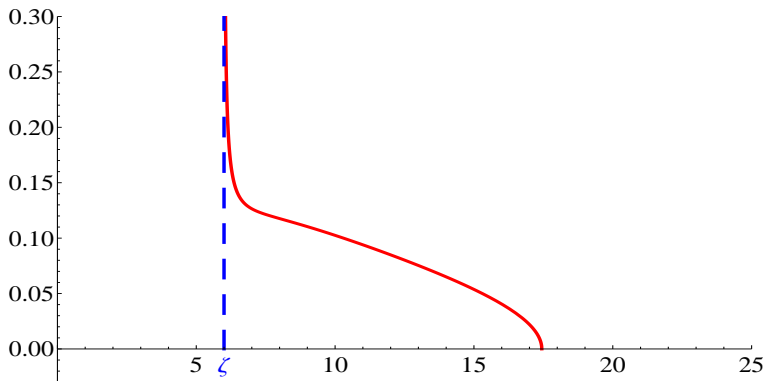




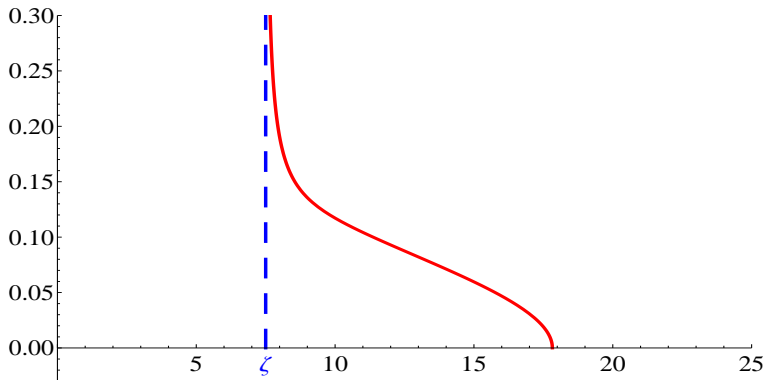
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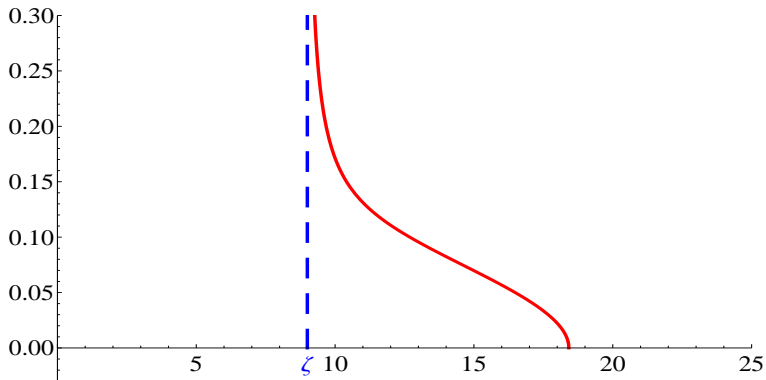
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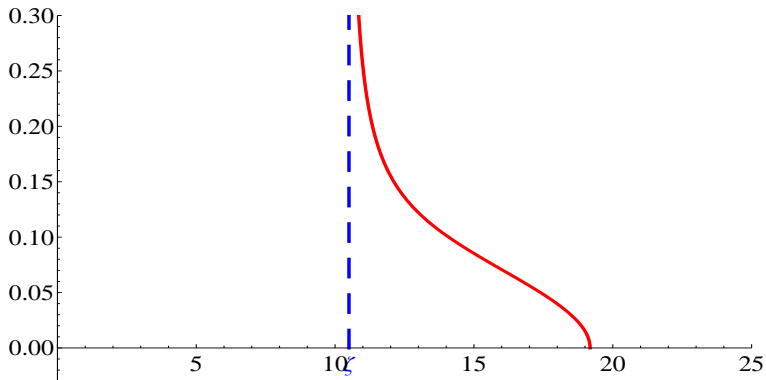
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## Back to the distribution for $\lambda_{\text{textmin}}$

- Recall  $Z(t) = \int Df e^{-\frac{\beta}{2} N^2 S[f(x)]}$

$$P_N^{(\min)}(t) = \frac{Z(t)}{Z_0} \sim e^{-\beta N^2 \Phi_+^{(\min)}\left(\frac{t - N\zeta_-}{N}\right)}, \quad N\zeta_- \leq t < \infty$$

- Right rate function

$$\Phi_+^{(\min)}(x) = \frac{1}{2} [S(x + \zeta_-) - S(\zeta_-)], \quad 0 \leq x < \infty$$

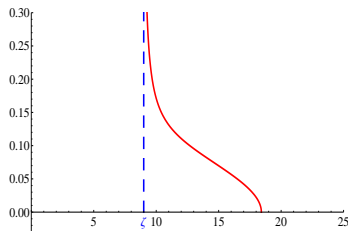
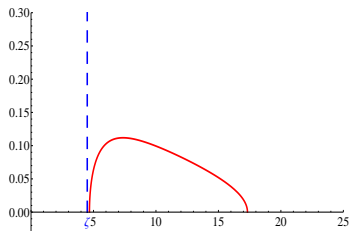
with

$$S(\zeta) = \frac{\zeta + U}{2} - \frac{\Delta^2}{32} - \log\left(\frac{\Delta}{4}\right) + \frac{\alpha}{4} (\sqrt{U} - \sqrt{\zeta})^2 \\ + \frac{\alpha^2}{4} \log(\zeta U) - \alpha(\alpha + 2) \log\left(\frac{\sqrt{\zeta} + \sqrt{U}}{2}\right)$$

with  $\Delta = U - \zeta$

# Large deviations to the left of $\lambda_{\min}$

- Coulomb Gas approach (as presented) not able to capture fluctuations to the left of  $\lambda_{\min}$
- Reason: we only consider leading terms  $\mathcal{O}(N^2)$ , which capture bulk properties



## Large deviations to the left of $\lambda_{\min}$

- Energetic Argument (Majumdar & Vergassola)
- Expression the free energy  $F(\lambda)$
- Energetic cost of moving the smallest eigenvalue to the left  $t \ll \zeta_- N$  (this does not require a global rearrangement of the bulk)

$$\begin{aligned}\Delta E(t) &= F(t, \lambda_2, \dots, \lambda_N) - F(\zeta_- N, \lambda_2, \dots, \lambda_N) \\ &= t - \alpha N \log(t) - 2 \sum_k \log |t - \lambda_k| + C \\ &= t - \alpha N \log(t) - 2N \int d\lambda \rho_{\text{MP}}(\lambda) \log |t - \lambda| + C\end{aligned}$$

$C$  so that  $\Delta E(t = \zeta_- N) = 0$ .



## Large deviations to the left of $\lambda_{\min}$

- Obtain

$$P_N^{(\min)}(t) \sim e^{-\beta N \Phi_-^{(\min)}\left(\frac{N\zeta_- - t}{N}\right)}, \quad 0 \leq t \leq N\zeta_-$$

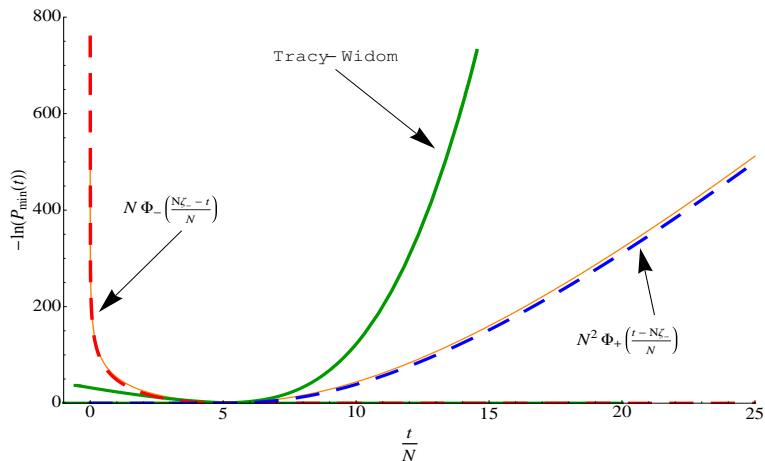
- Left rate function

$$\begin{aligned} \Phi_-^{(\min)}(x) &= -\frac{\alpha}{2} \log\left(1 - \frac{x}{\zeta_-}\right) - \frac{1}{2} \sqrt{x(x + \Delta_-)} \\ &\quad + 2 \log\left(\frac{\sqrt{x + \Delta_-} - \sqrt{x}}{\sqrt{\Delta_-}}\right) \\ &\quad + \alpha \log\left(1 + 2 \frac{\sqrt{x(x + \Delta_-)} - x}{\Delta_- \sqrt{\zeta_-}}\right), \quad 0 \leq x \leq \zeta_- \end{aligned}$$

with  $\Delta_- = \zeta_+ - \zeta_- = 4\sqrt{1 + \alpha}$ .

# Large deviations- Numerics

$N = 11, M = 110$ . Comparison with Edelman's (91) for  $\beta = 1$



# Comparison with Tracy-Widom

$$P_N^{(\min)}(t) \equiv \lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} \mathbb{P}_{\beta, N} \left( (\lambda_{\min} - z_N^{(\beta)}) / s_N^{(\beta)} \leq t \right)$$

To compare with Tracy-Widom, expand rate functions:

$$\Phi_{-}^{(\min)}(x) \underset{x \rightarrow 0}{\sim} \frac{2}{3\zeta_{-} c^{1/4}} x^{3/2}, \quad \Phi_{+}^{(\min)}(x) \underset{x \rightarrow 0}{\sim} \frac{1}{24\zeta_{-}^2 \sqrt{c}} x^3$$

Then

$$P_N^{(\min)}(t) \sim \begin{cases} \exp\left(-\frac{2\beta}{3} \chi^{3/2}(t)\right), & 0 \leq t \leq \zeta_{-} N \\ \exp\left(-\frac{\beta}{24} |\chi(t)|^3\right), & t > \zeta_{-} N \end{cases}$$

$$\text{with } \chi(t) = -\frac{N\zeta_{-} - t}{N^{1/3} \zeta_{-}^{2/3} c^{1/6}}$$

# Almost Square Matrices

- $M = N + a, \alpha = a/N$  ,  $a \rightarrow a(\beta) = a + (\beta - 2)/\beta$
- Look at the behaviour for  $z = Nt$

$$P_N^{(\min)}(z) \sim \begin{cases} \exp\left(-\beta a \Psi_-^{(\min)}\left(\frac{4z}{a^2}\right)\right), & z \in [0, a^2/4] \\ \exp\left(-\beta a^2 \Psi_+^{(\min)}\left(\frac{4z}{a^2}\right)\right), & z \in [a^2/4, \infty) \end{cases}$$

with

$$\Psi_+^{(\min)}(x) = \frac{1}{8} (x - 4\sqrt{x} + 3 + \ln x) ,$$

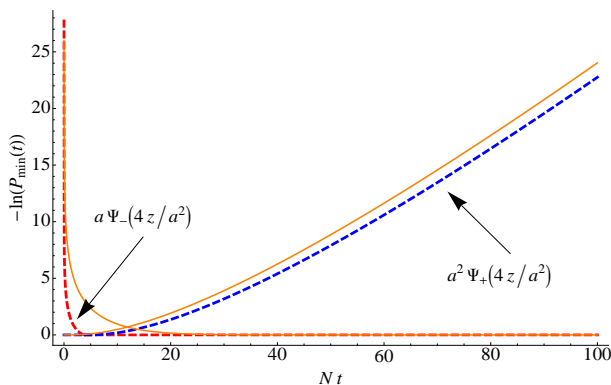
$$\Psi_-^{(\min)}(x) = \ln \frac{1 + \sqrt{1-x}}{\sqrt{x}} - \sqrt{1-x}$$

- $a(\beta) = 0$  ( $a = 1, \beta = 1$  or  $a = 0, \beta = 2$ )

$$P_N^{(\min)}(z) = e^{-\beta z/2}$$

# Almost Square Matrices

Comparison with Edelman's exact result for  $\beta = 1$  ( $N = 200$ ,  $a=5$ )



# Subleading contributions

- Entropic contribution: Saddle-point equation

$$\frac{1}{2} (x - \alpha \log x) + \frac{1}{\beta N} \log f(x) + D = \int_{\zeta}^{\infty} dy f(y) \log |x - y|$$

Support of  $f(x)$  is not compact  $\Rightarrow$  fluctuations to the left of  $\lambda_{\min}$

- Non-linear integral equation (Hammerstein type)
- Standard perturbation is hopeless
- Non-standard perturbation (boundary layer theory ?) as difficult as the original equation

# Subleading contributions

Two options:

- simplest analytical approach:  $y \in \mathcal{R}_{\text{interior}}$ ,  $x \in \mathcal{R}_{\text{exterior}}$ ,  
 $V(x) = \frac{1}{2}(x - \alpha \log x)$

$$f(x) \sim \exp \left[ -\beta N \left( V(x) - \int_{y \in \mathcal{R}_{\text{interior}}} dy f_{\text{MP}}(y) \log |x - y| \right) \right]$$

(instanton contribution as in Fyodorov 2004)

# Subleading contributions

## ■ Numerical solution (Abdou & Ismail 2002)

