# On Two-Faced Families of Non-Commutative Random Variables

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### Definition (Mastnak, Nica; 2013)

Let  $(\mathcal{A}, \varphi)$  be a non-commutative probability space. There exists a family of multilinear functionals

$$(\kappa_{\chi}:\mathcal{A}^n\to\mathbb{C})_{n\geq 1,\chi:\{1,\ldots,n\}\to\{\ell,r\}}$$

which are uniquely determined by the requirement

$$\varphi(z_1\cdots z_n)=\sum_{\pi\in\mathcal{P}^{(\chi)}(n)}\left(\prod_{V\in\pi}\kappa_{\chi|_V}((z_1,\ldots,z_n)|V)\right)$$

for every  $n \ge 1$ ,  $\chi \in \{\ell, r\}^n$ , and  $z_1, \ldots, z_n \in \mathcal{A}$ . These  $\kappa_{\chi}$ 's will be called the  $(\ell, r)$ -cumulant functionals of  $(\mathcal{A}, \varphi)$ .

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A pair of two-faced families

$$z' = ((z'_i)_{i \in I}, (z'_j)_{j \in J})$$
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in  $(\mathcal{A}, arphi)$  are said to be combinatorially-bi-free if

$$\kappa_{\chi}\left(z_{\alpha(1)}^{\epsilon_{1}},\ldots,z_{\alpha(n)}^{\epsilon_{n}}\right)=0$$

whenever  $\alpha : \{1, \ldots, n\} \to I \sqcup J, \ \chi : \{1, \ldots, n\} \to \{\ell, r\}$  is such that  $\alpha^{-1}(I) = \chi^{-1}(\{\ell\})$ , and  $\epsilon \in \{', ''\}^n$  is non-constant.

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The answer is yes!!!

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$$\chi^{-1}(\{\ell\}) = \{i_1 < \cdots < i_p\}, \qquad \chi^{-1}(\{r\}) = \{j_1 < \cdots < j_{n-p}\},$$

and  $s_\chi \in S_n$  is defined by

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then  $s_{\chi}^{-1} \cdot \pi \in NC(n)$ .

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In addition, if  $\alpha : \{1, \ldots, n\} \to I \sqcup J$ , we let  $BNC(\alpha)$  denote the set of all bi-non-crossing diagrams in  $BNC(\chi)$  where  $\chi^{-1}(\{\ell\}) = \alpha^{-1}(I)$  where the  $k^{\text{th}}$  node is labelled  $\alpha(k)$ .

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This is obtained by viewing  $\pi, \sigma$  as elements of NC(n) and using the usual decomposition while maintaining a notion of left and right nodes.

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A function  $f \in IA(BNC)$  is said to be multiplicative if whenever  $\pi, \sigma \in BNC(\chi)$  are such that

$$[\pi,\sigma] \leftrightarrow \prod_{j=1}^k BNC(\beta_k)$$

for some  $\beta_k: \{1,\ldots,m_k\} \to \{\ell,r\}$ , then

$$f(\pi,\sigma)=\prod_{j=1}^k f(\mathbf{0}_{\beta_k},\mathbf{1}_{\beta_k}).$$

For a multiplicative function  $f \in IA(BNC)$ , we will call the collection  $\{f([0_{\chi}, 1_{\chi}]) \mid n \geq 1, \chi : \{1, \ldots, n\} \rightarrow \{\ell, r\}\} \subseteq \mathbb{C}$  the multiplicative net associated to f.

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$$\mu_{BNC}(\pi,\sigma) = \mu(s_{\chi}^{-1} \cdot \pi, s_{\chi}^{-1} \cdot \sigma).$$

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Then one can show that

$$\kappa_{\pi}(T_1,\ldots,T_n) = \prod_{t=1}^k \kappa_{\pi|_{V_t}}(T_{k_{t,1}},\ldots,T_{k_{t,m_t}}) \quad \text{and}$$
$$\varphi(T_1\ldots,T_n) = \sum_{\pi\in BNC(\chi)} \kappa_{\pi}(T_1,\ldots,T_n).$$

In particular,  $\kappa_{1\chi}=\kappa_{\chi}$  are the  $(\ell,r)$ -cumulant functions.

### Definition (Voiculescu; 2013)

A family

$$\pi = \left( \left( \left( \mathfrak{B}_k, \beta_k \right), \left( \mathfrak{C}_k, \gamma_k \right) \right) \right)_{k \in K}$$

of pairs of faces in a non-commutative probability space  $(\mathcal{A}, \varphi)$  is said to be bi-freely independent if there exists a family of vector spaces with specified vector state  $((\mathcal{X}_k, \mathcal{X}_k^{\perp}, \xi_k))_{k \in \mathcal{K}}$  and unital homomorphisms

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such that if

$$\tilde{\pi} = \left( \left( \left( \mathfrak{B}_{k}, \beta_{k} \circ I_{k} \right), \left( \mathfrak{C}_{k}, \gamma_{k} \circ r_{k} \right) \right) \right)_{k \in K}$$

is the family of faces of  $(\mathcal{L}(\mathcal{X}), p)$  where  $(\mathcal{X}, \mathcal{X}^{\perp}, \xi) = *_{k \in K} (\mathcal{X}_k, \mathcal{X}_k^{\perp}, \xi_k)$ , then we have the equality of distributions  $\mu_{\pi} = \mu_{\tilde{\pi}}$ .

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- "A pair of faces" was inspired by the Roman 'god of beginnings and transitions' Janus whom is depicted as having two faces one looking to the future and one looking to the past.

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#### Theorem (CNS; 2014)

Let  $z' = ((z'_i)_{i \in I}, (z'_j)_{j \in J})$  and  $z'' = ((z''_i)_{i \in I}, (z''_j)_{j \in J})$  be a pair of two-faced families in  $(\mathcal{A}, \varphi)$ . Then z' and z'' are bi-free if and only if for every map  $\alpha : \{1, \ldots, n\} \to I \sqcup J$  and  $\epsilon \in \{', ''\}^n$  we have

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As these expressions are the same, the notions of bi-free independence and combinatorially-bi-free independence agree!!!

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For any  $\chi : \{1, ..., n\} \to I \sqcup J$  and  $\pi \in BNC(\chi)$ , the Kreweras complement of  $\pi$ , denoted  $K_{BNC}(\pi)$ , is the element of  $BNC(\chi)$  obtained by applying  $s_{\chi}$  to the Kreweras complement in NC(n) of  $s_{\chi}^{-1} \cdot \pi$ ; explicitly

$$\mathcal{K}_{BNC}(\pi) = s_{\chi} \cdot \mathcal{K}_{NC}(s_{\chi}^{-1} \cdot \pi).$$



#### Theorem (CNS; 2014)

Let  $z' = (\{z'_{\ell}\}, \{z'_{r}\})$  and  $z'' = (\{z''_{\ell}\}, \{z''_{r}\})$  be a bi-free family of pairs of faces and let  $z = (\{z'_{\ell}z''_{\ell}\}, \{z''_{r}z'_{r}\})$ . If  $\kappa_{z}$ ,  $\kappa_{z'}$ , and  $\kappa_{z''}$  are the multiplicative elements of IA(BNC) with multiplicative nets corresponding to the  $(\ell, r)$ -cumulants of z, z', and z'' respectively, then

$$\kappa_z = \kappa_{z'} * \kappa_{z''}.$$

In particular

$$\kappa_{\chi}(z) = \sum_{\pi \in BNC(\chi)} \kappa_{\pi}(z') \kappa_{K_{BNC}(\pi)}(z'')$$

for all  $\chi : \{1, \ldots, n\} \rightarrow \{\ell, r\}.$ 

#### Theorem (Nica; 1996)

Let  $X = \{X_i\}_{i \in I}$  be a collection of random variables in a non-commutative probability space  $(\mathcal{A}, \varphi)$ . Let  $\omega : \mathcal{L}(\mathcal{F}(\mathbb{C}^{|I|})) \to \mathbb{C}$  be defined by  $\omega(T) = \langle T\Omega, \Omega \rangle$  and consider the (unbounded) operator

$$\Theta_X := I_{\mathcal{F}(\mathbb{C}^{|I|})} + \sum_{k \ge 1} \sum_{i_1, \dots, i_k \in I} \kappa(X_{i_1}, \dots, X_{i_k}) L_{i_k} \cdots L_{i_1}.$$

The joint distribution of the operators

$$Z_i := L_i^* \Theta_X = L_i^* + \sum_{k \ge 0} \sum_{i_1, \dots, i_k \in I} \kappa(X_{i_1}, \dots, X_{i_k}, X_i) L_{i_k} \cdots L_{i_1}$$

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$$Z_k := L_k^* \Theta_z = L_k^* + \sum_{\substack{n \ge 0 \\ \alpha: \{1, \dots, n+1\} \to I \sqcup J}} \sum_{\substack{\kappa_\alpha(z) S_\alpha. \\ \alpha(n+1) = k}} \kappa_\alpha(z) S_\alpha.$$

Then, if  $T \in alg(\{Z_k\}_{k \in I \sqcup J})$  then  $\langle T\Omega, \Omega \rangle$  is well-defined. Moreover, if  $\psi(T) = \langle T\Omega, \Omega \rangle$ , the joint distribution of  $\{Z_k\}_{k \in I \sqcup J}$  with respect to  $\psi$  is the same as the joint distribution of z with respect to  $\varphi$ .

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Let  $\alpha : \{1, \ldots, n\} \to I \sqcup J$ . For a bi-non-crossing partition  $\pi \in BNC(\alpha)$ , the skeletons on  $\pi$  are the diagrams of  $\pi$  where the  $k^{\text{th}}$ -node from the top is labelled  $\alpha(k)$ , each node is either an open circle or a closed circle, and if node  $\alpha(k)$  is open, then node  $\alpha(k')$  is open for all k' < k.





The idea behind this operator model is to show that products of  $L_i^*$  and  $\kappa(X_{i_1}, \ldots, X_{i_k}, X_i)L_{i_k} \cdots L_{i_1}$  that have non-zero  $\omega$  value correspond to non-crossing partitions on the generators and the value of  $\omega$  on the product is the correct product of free cumulants. These operators can be viewed as operators on skeletons as follows.

Note there is not a bijection between skeletons and basis vectors on the Fock space as the skeleton retains information on the order and type of operators applied.

For the vector  $e_3 \otimes e_1 \otimes e_2$ 



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is constructed by first applying  $L_1^*L_1L_1$  (weighted by  $\kappa(X_1, X_1, X_1)$ ), then  $L_2^*L_2L_1L_3$  (weighted by  $\kappa(X_3, X_1, X_2)$ ), then  $L_1^*L_1L_3$  (weighted by  $\kappa(X_3, X_1)$ ), then  $L_3^*$ , then  $L_1^*$ , and then  $L_2^*L_2L_2$  (weighted by  $\kappa(X_2, X_2)$ ).

The operator model acts on *F*(ℂ<sup>|I|+|J|</sup>) with {e<sub>i</sub>}<sub>i∈I</sub> ∪ {e<sub>j</sub>}<sub>j∈J</sub> an orthonormal basis for ℂ<sup>|I|+|J|</sup>. The vectors {e<sub>i</sub>}<sub>i∈I</sub> are 'left basis vectors' and {e<sub>j</sub>}<sub>j∈J</sub> are 'right basis vectors'.

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