

Large Deviations of the Extreme Eigenvalues of Random Matrices

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[R.M. May, Nature, 238, 413 (1972)—Ecosystems]

[Cavagna et. al. 2000, Fyodorov 2004, — Glassy systems]

[Suskind 2003, Douglas et. al. 2004, Aazami & Easter 2006— String theory].....

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\implies **Local Minimum**, **Local Maximum** & **Saddles**

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Two real eigenvalues: (λ_1, λ_2)

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$\left. \begin{array}{l} \lambda_1 < 0, \quad \lambda_2 > 0 \\ \lambda_1 > 0, \quad \lambda_2 < 0 \end{array} \right\} \rightarrow$ Saddle

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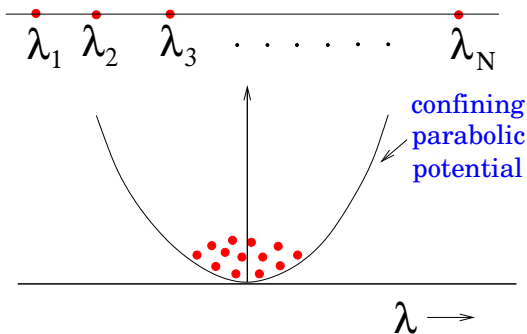
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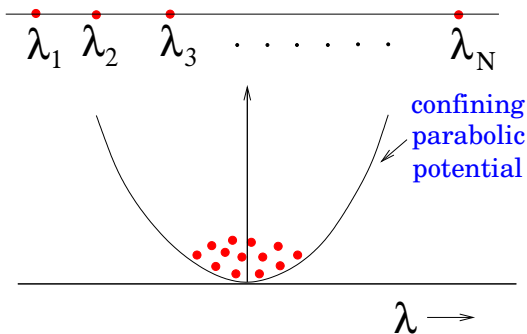
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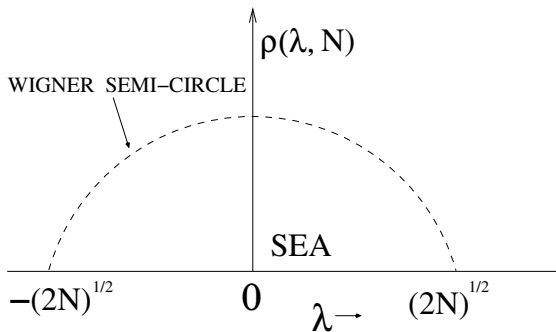
- Balance of energy $\rightarrow N \lambda^2 \sim N^2$
- Typical eigenvalue: $\lambda_{\text{typ}} \sim \sqrt{N}$ for large N

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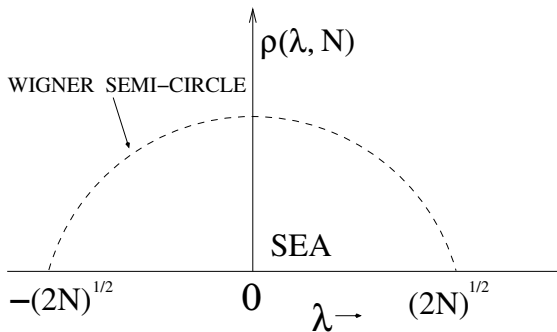
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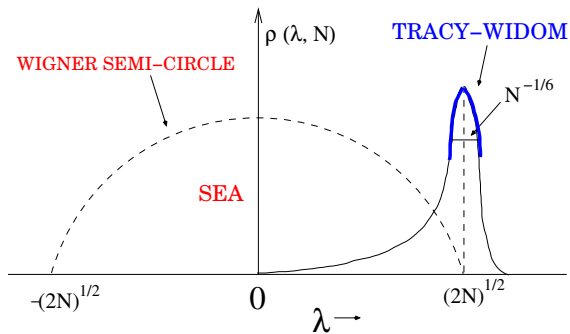
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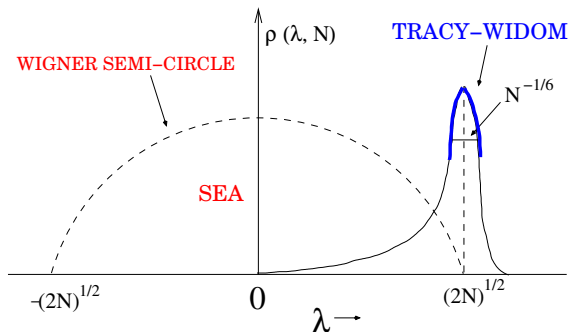


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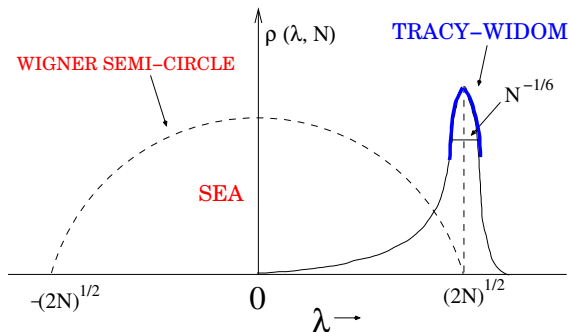


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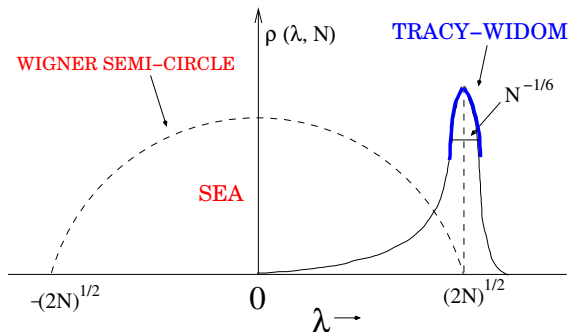
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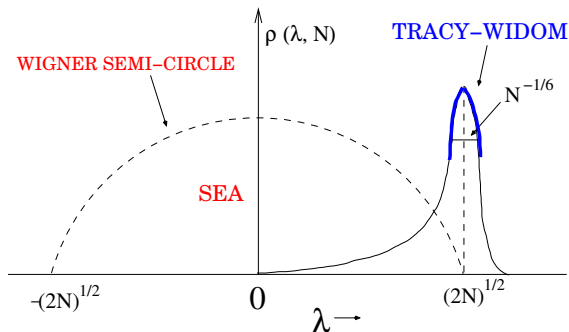
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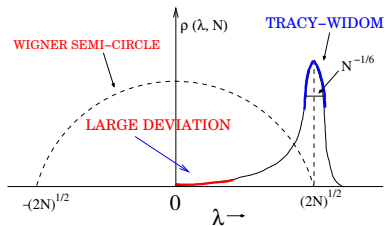
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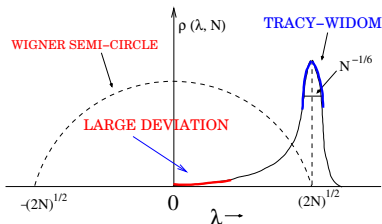


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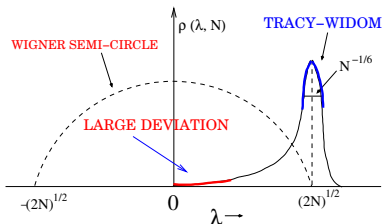


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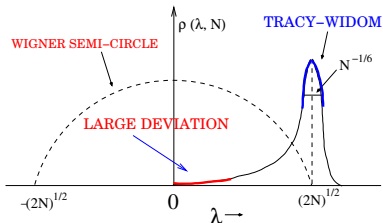
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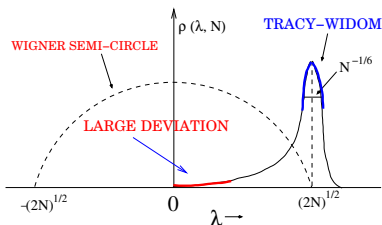
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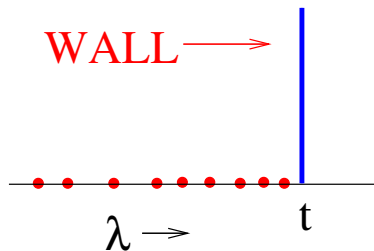
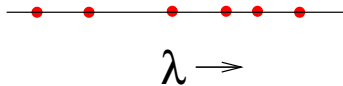
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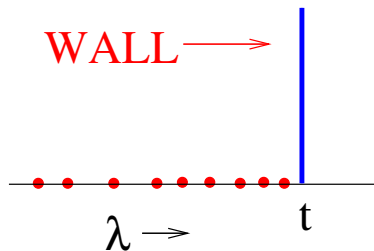
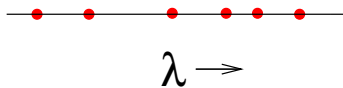
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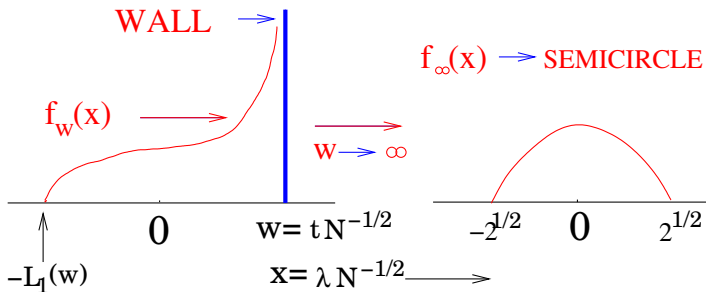
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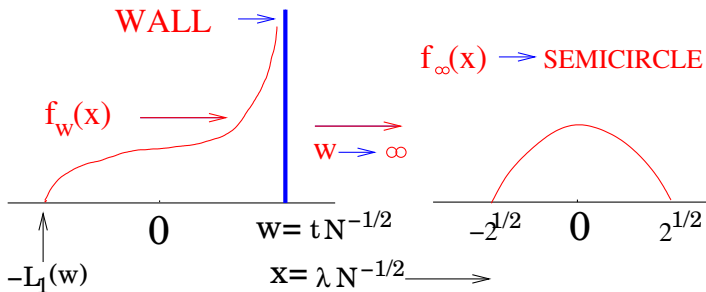
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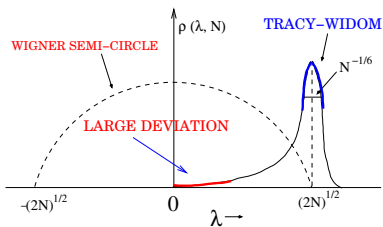
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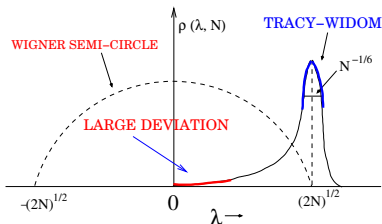
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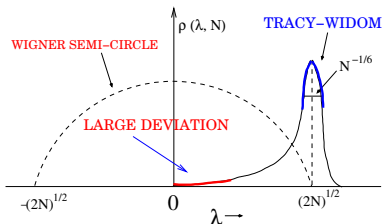


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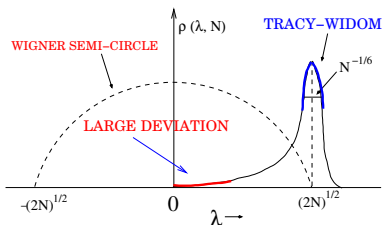
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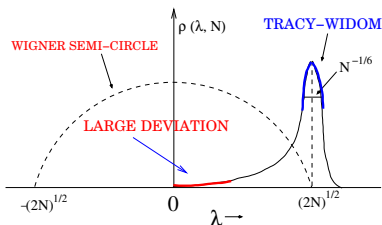
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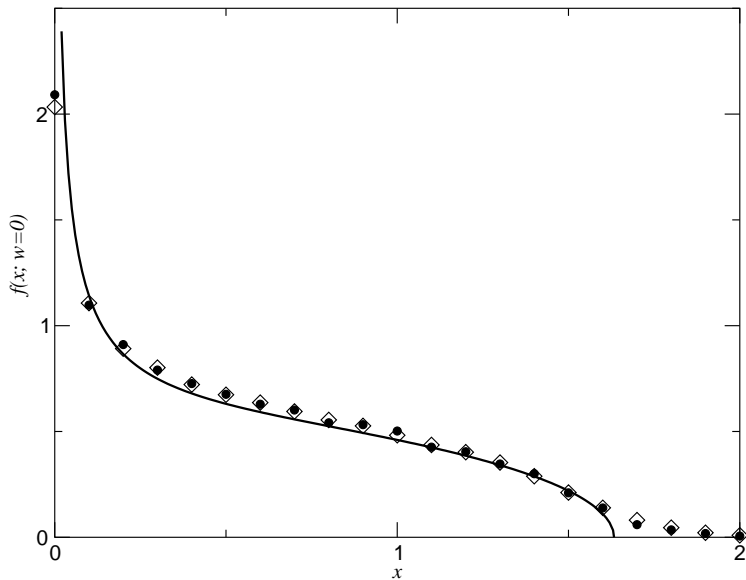


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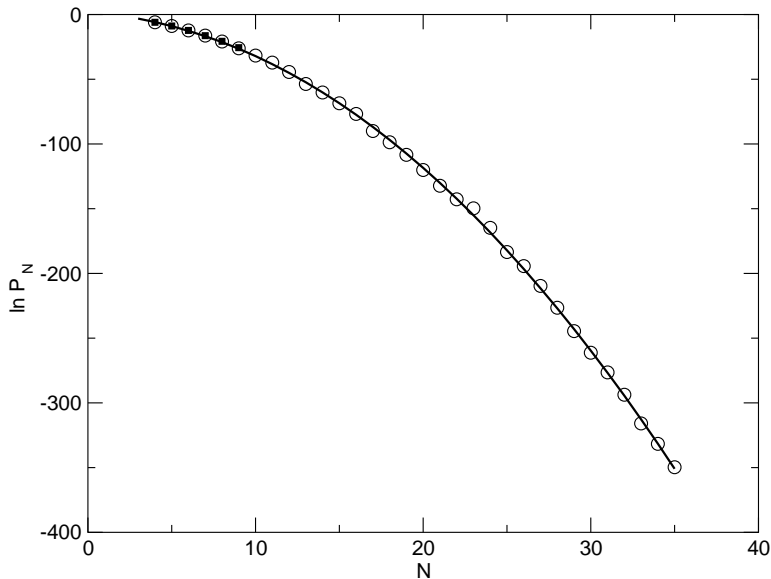
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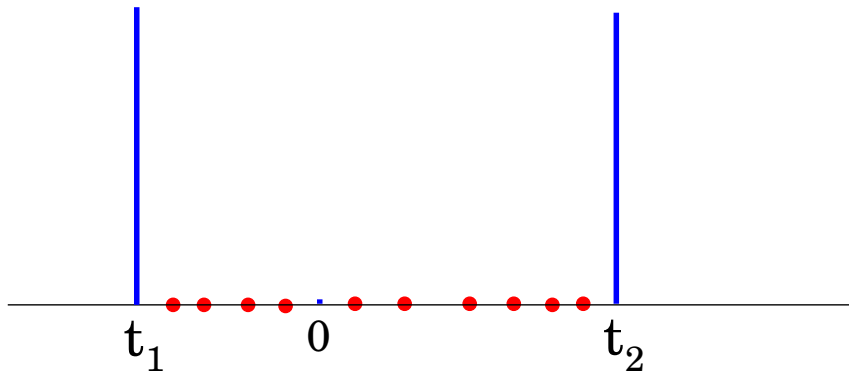


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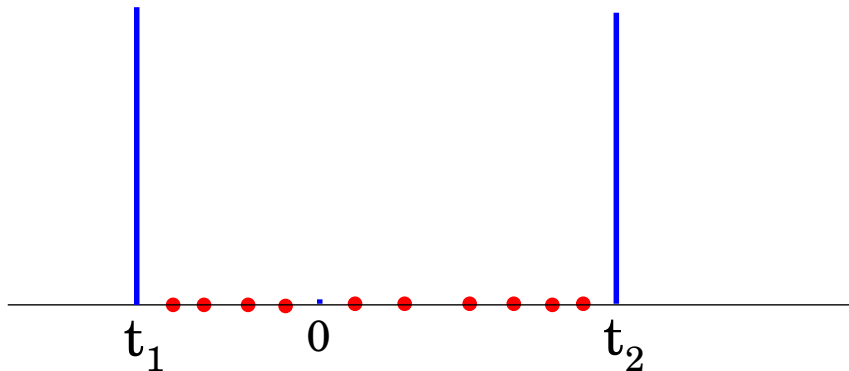
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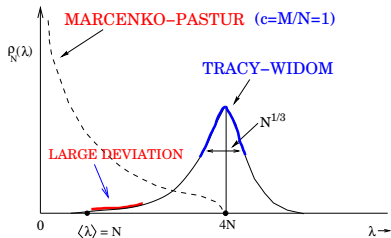
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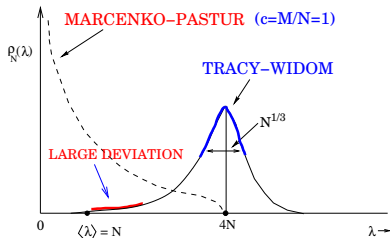
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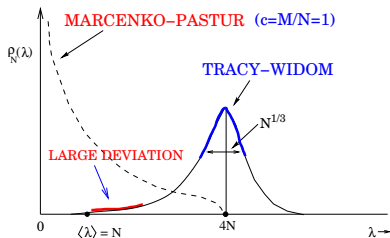


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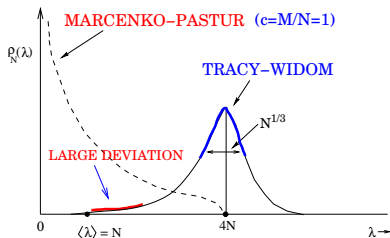
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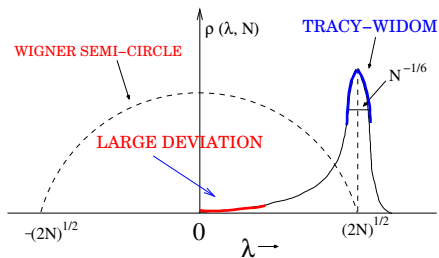
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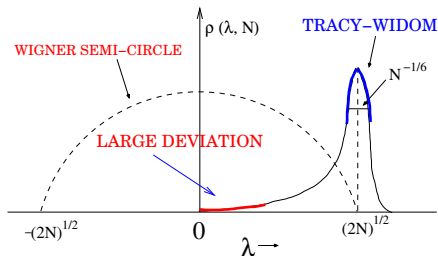
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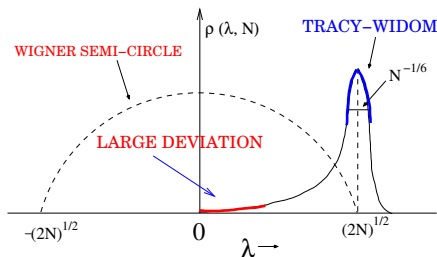


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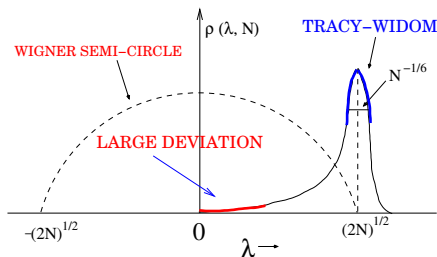
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