

# Fluctuations of Real Random Matrices and Second-Order Freeness

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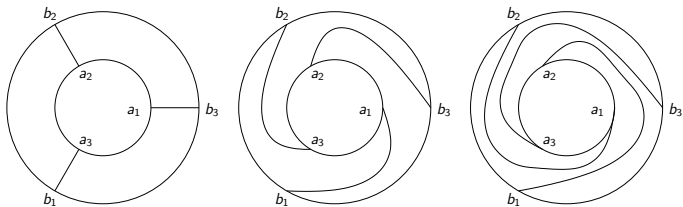
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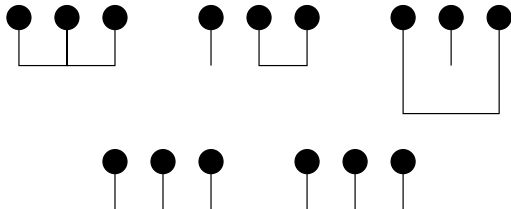
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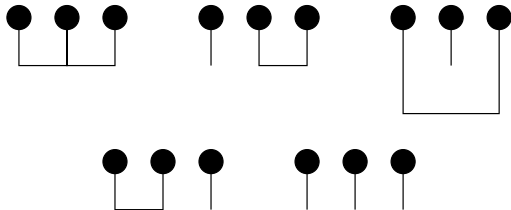
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We define the *cumulants*  $k_i$  to satisfy the *moment-cumulant formula*:

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The first four cumulants are:

$$k_1(X) = \mathbb{E}(X)$$

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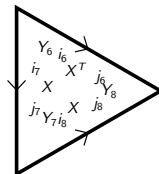
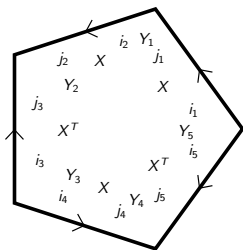
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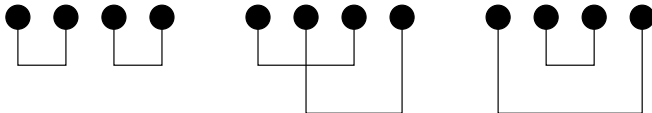
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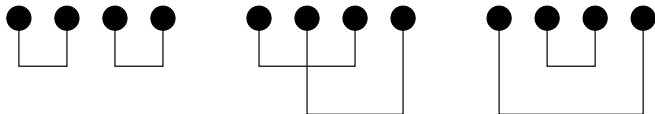


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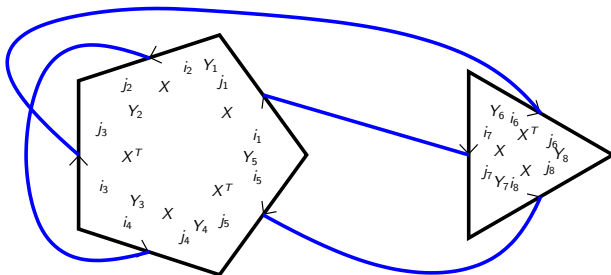
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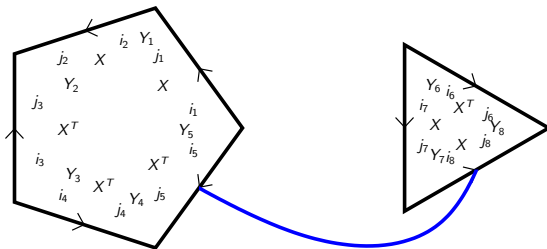
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$$\prod_{\{k,l\}} \mathbb{E}(f_{i_k j_k} f_{i_l j_l}) = \begin{cases} 1, & \text{if } i_k = i_l \text{ and } j_k = j_l \text{ for all } \{k,l\} \in \pi \\ 0, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}.$$

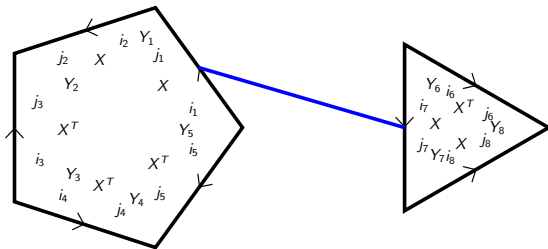
Putting indices which must be equal next to each other, we get a surface gluing:



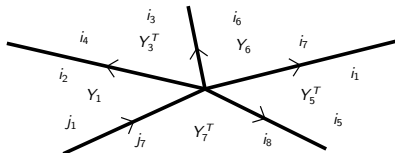
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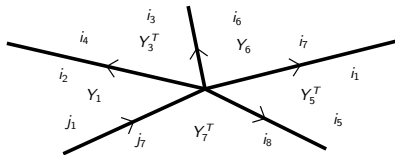
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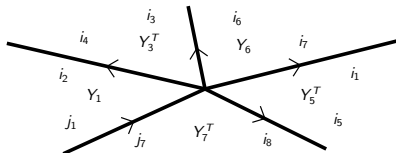


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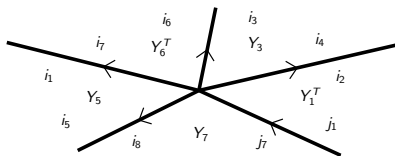
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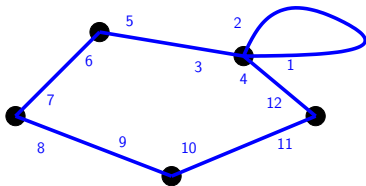
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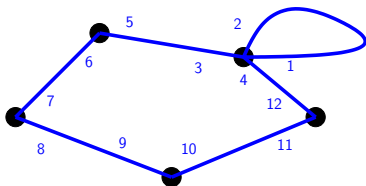
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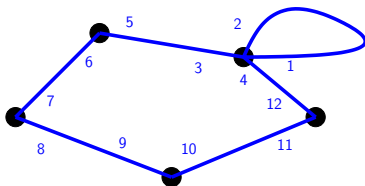
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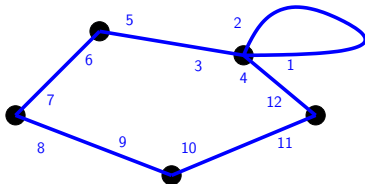


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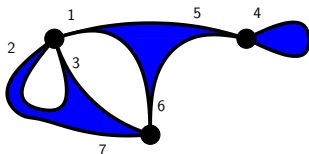
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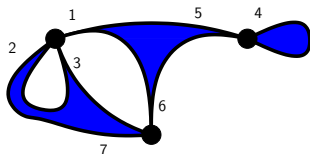
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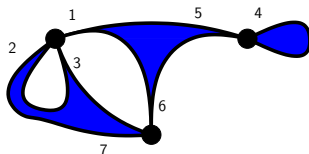


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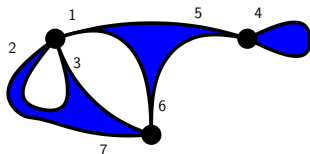
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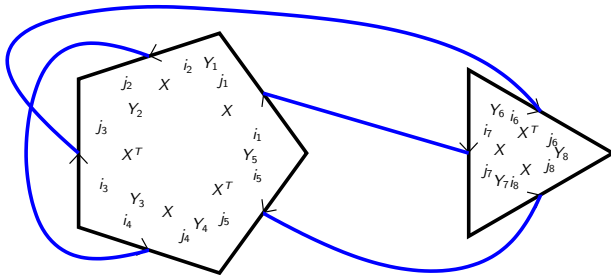
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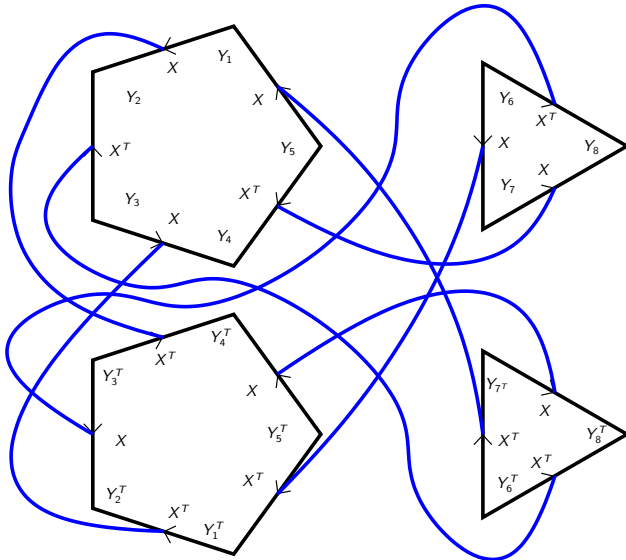
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For example:

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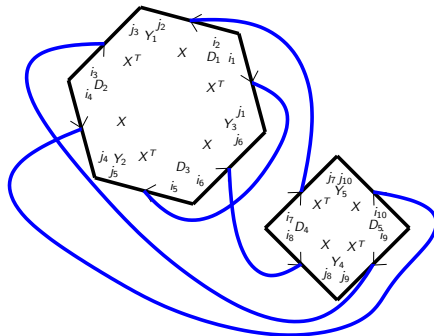
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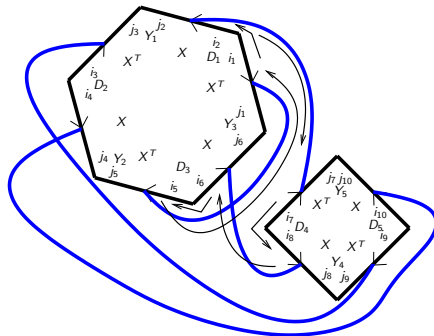
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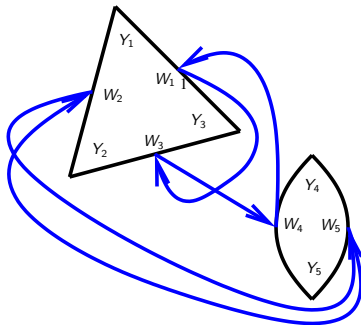
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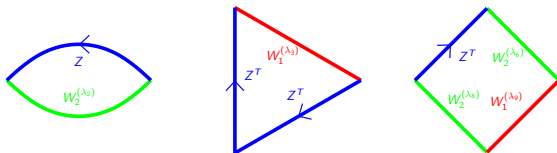
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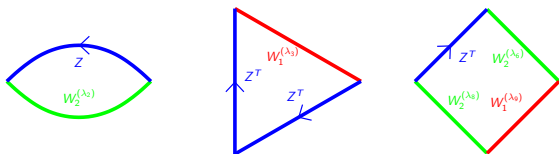
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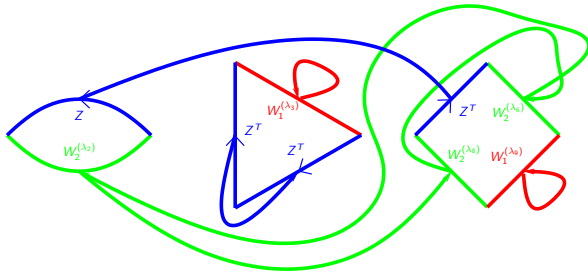


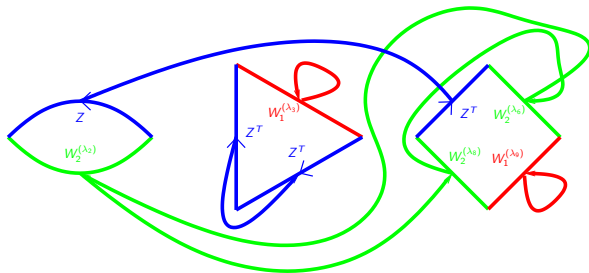
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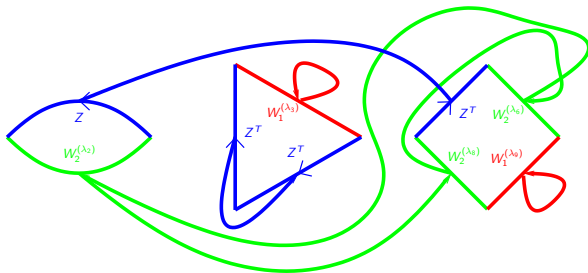


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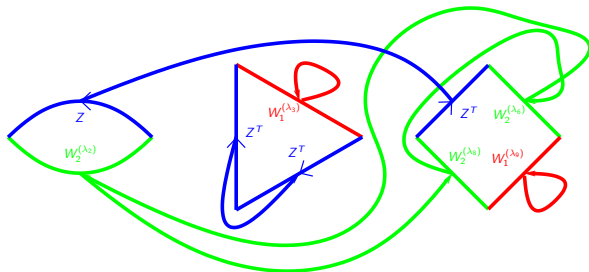


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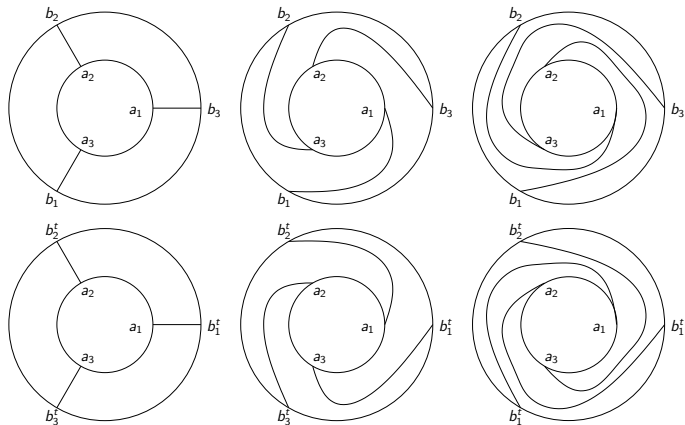
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## Definition

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$$\lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} k_2 \left( \text{Tr} \left( \mathring{A}_1 \cdots \mathring{A}_p \right), \text{Tr} \left( \mathring{B}_1 \cdots \mathring{B}_q \right) \right)$$

vanishes when  $p \neq q$ , and when  $p = q$ , is equal to

$$\begin{aligned} & \lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} k_2 \left( \text{Tr} \left( \mathring{A}_1 \cdots \mathring{A}_p \right), \text{Tr} \left( \mathring{B}_1 \cdots \mathring{B}_p \right) \right) \\ &= \sum_{k=0}^{p-1} \prod_{i=1}^p \left( \lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} \left( \mathbb{E} \left( \text{tr} \left( A_i B_{k-i} \right) \right) - \mathbb{E} \left( \text{tr} \left( A_i \right) \right) \mathbb{E} \left( \text{tr} \left( B_{k-i} \right) \right) \right) \right) \\ &+ \sum_{k=0}^{p-1} \prod_{i=1}^p \left( \lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} \left( \mathbb{E} \left( \text{tr} \left( A_i B_{k+i}^T \right) \right) - \mathbb{E} \left( \text{tr} \left( A_i \right) \right) \mathbb{E} \left( \text{tr} \left( B_{k+i}^T \right) \right) \right) \right). \end{aligned}$$

## Definition

Subalgebras  $A_1, \dots, A_n$  of a second-order noncommutative probability space  $(A, \varphi_1, \varphi_2)$  are *real second-order free* if they are free and for  $a_1, \dots, a_p$  and  $b_1, \dots, b_q$  centred and either cyclically alternating or consisting of a single term

$$\varphi_2(a_1 \cdots a_p, b_1 \cdots b_q) = 0$$

when  $p \neq q$  and

$$\varphi_2(a_1 \cdots a_p, b_1 \cdots b_p) = \sum_{k=0}^{p-1} \prod_{i=1}^p \varphi_1(a_i b_{k-i}) + \sum_{k=0}^{p-1} \prod_{i=1}^p \varphi_1(a_i b_{k+i}^t).$$