

# **Painlevé asymptotics for Toeplitz determinants with merging singularities**

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I will discuss asymptotic expansions for Toeplitz determinants corresponding to symbols depending on a parameter  $t$ . For  $t$  positive, the symbols have two Fisher-Hartwig singularities, but as  $t$  tends to zero, the singularities merge, and at  $t=0$ , there is only one singularity left. Double scaling asymptotics for the determinants as  $n$  tends to infinity and simultaneously  $t$  tends to zero can be expressed in terms of a solution to the fifth Painlevé equation. The talk will be based on joint work with Igor Krasovsky.