

Scaling limit of the ground state Bethe roots for the inhomogeneous XXZ spin - $\frac{1}{2}$ chain



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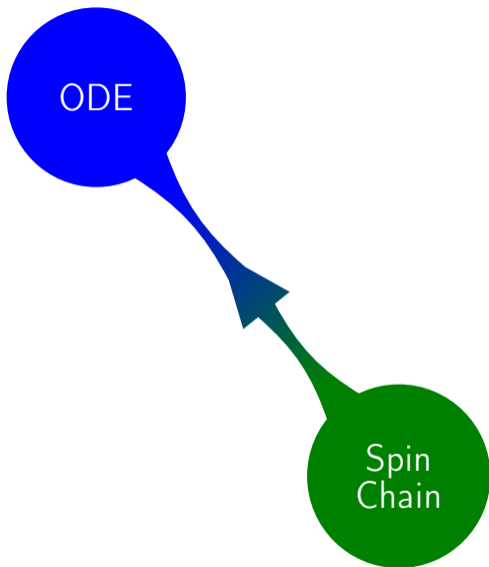


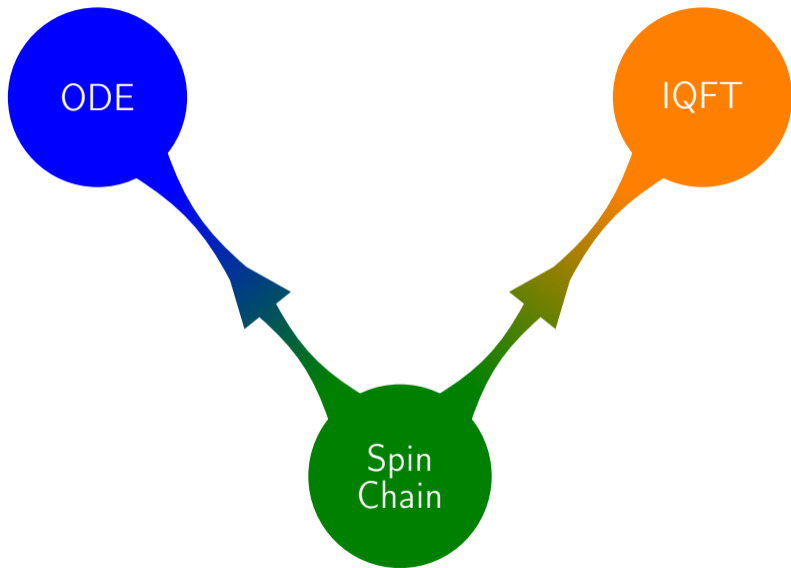
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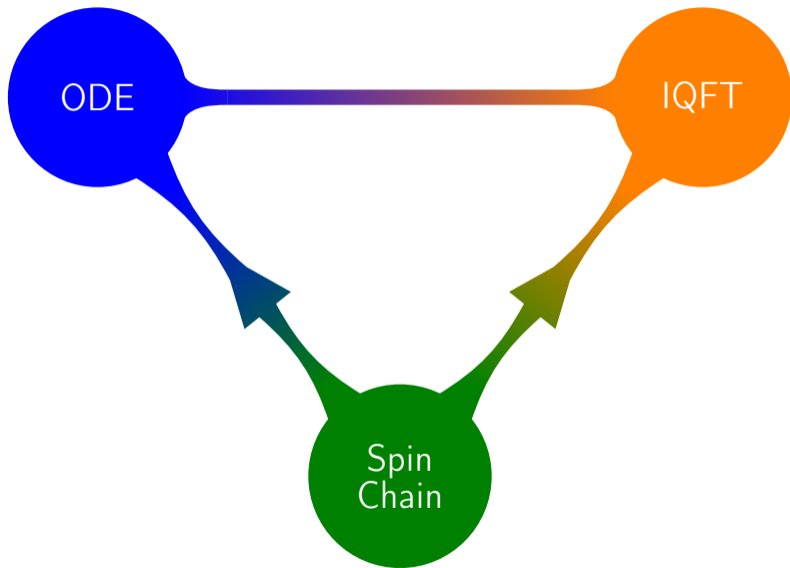


In Kotousov talk introduced were a wide class of ODEs
but the integrable structure remains mostly unknown

$$\left[-\partial_y^2 + p^2 + e^{(n+r)y} - (-1)^A E^r e^{ry} - \sum_{(\mu,j) \in \Xi_{r,A}} c_{\mu,j} E^\mu e^{((A\mu-rj) \frac{n+r}{r} + \mu)y} \right] \psi = 0$$







- Scaling limit XXZ and connection to Schrödinger equation of 3D anharmonic oscillator/qKdV
- Scaling limit of inhomogenous XXZ
 - * Definition of the scaling limit
 - * Free fermion point
 - * Main conjecture
- Concluding remarks and possible future directions

Paradigm example: Homogeneous XXZ $\frac{1}{2}$ -spin chain

Hamiltonian of length N

$$\mathbb{H}_{\text{XXZ}} = - \sum_{m=1}^N \left(\sigma_m^x \sigma_{m+1}^x + \sigma_m^y \sigma_{m+1}^y + \frac{q + q^{-1}}{2} \sigma_m^z \sigma_{m+1}^z \right).$$

quasi-periodic BCs

$$\sigma_{N+m}^x \pm i \sigma_{N+m}^y = e^{\pm 2i\pi k} (\sigma_m^x \pm i \sigma_m^y), \quad \sigma_{N+m}^z = \sigma_m^z,$$

energy spectrum described by solutions of the Bethe Ansatz equations:

$$\left(\frac{1 + q^{+1} \zeta_j}{1 + q^{-1} \zeta_j} \right)^N = -e^{2i\pi k} q^{2S^z} \prod_{i=1}^{N/2-S^z} \frac{\zeta_i - q^{+2} \zeta_j}{\zeta_i - q^{-2} \zeta_j}, \quad E = - \sum_{j=1}^{N/2-S^z} \frac{2(q - q^{-1})}{\zeta_j + \zeta_j^{-1} + q + q^{-1}}$$

Critical behavior

For q being unimodular, i.e. $q = e^{i\gamma}$, the Hamiltonian possesses gapless excitations.

1D critical spin chains: low energy spectrum organizes into conformal towers [Cardy '86]

$$E \asymp Ne_\infty + \frac{2\pi v_F}{N} \left(-\frac{c}{12} + \Delta + \bar{\Delta} + L + \bar{L} \right) + \dots$$

$\Delta, \bar{\Delta}$ conformal dimensions, $L, \bar{L} \geq 0$ levels, c central charge.

XXZ: Scaling limit is governed by compact boson $R = \sqrt{2\gamma}^{-1}$, i.e. [Luther-Peschel '75; Kadanoff-Brown '79; Alcaraz-Barber-Batchelor '88]

$$c = 1, \quad \Delta = P^2 = \frac{1}{8\pi} \left(\frac{S^z}{R} + 2\pi R(w + k) \right)^2, \quad \bar{\Delta} = \bar{P}^2 = \frac{1}{8\pi} \left(\frac{S^z}{R} - 2\pi R(w + k) \right)^2,$$

$$\mathcal{H} = \bigoplus_{w, S^z \in \mathbb{Z}} \mathcal{F}_P \otimes \bar{\mathcal{F}}_{\bar{P}} \quad (\mathcal{F}_P - \text{Fock space})$$

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Exploring integrable structures by scaling limit of spin chains!

How does this work in practice?

Consider the example of the ground state!

The ground state ($S^z = 0$)

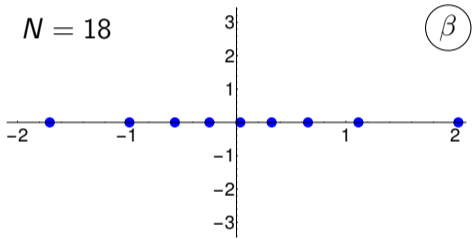
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For small enough twist parameter k the root configuration of the ground state can be proven to be real [Yang-Yang '66]:

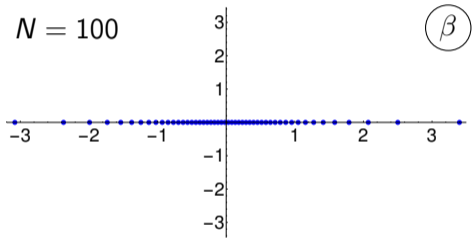
$$0 < \zeta_1 < \zeta_2 < \dots < \zeta_{N/2}.$$

In the β -plane ($\zeta = e^{-2\beta}$) we can depict the ground state configuration as

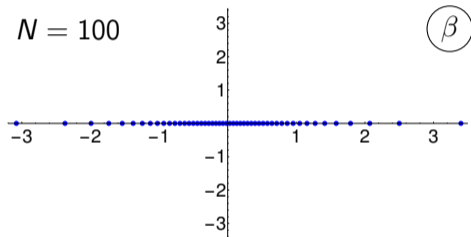
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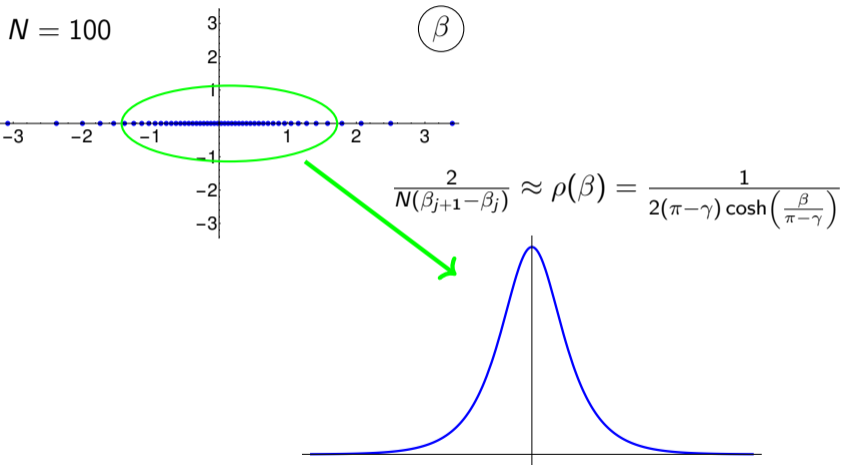


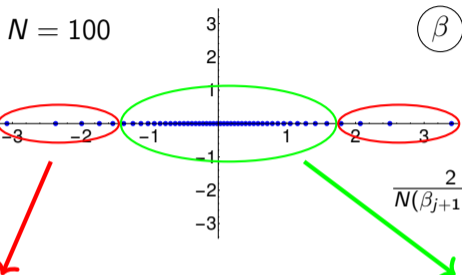
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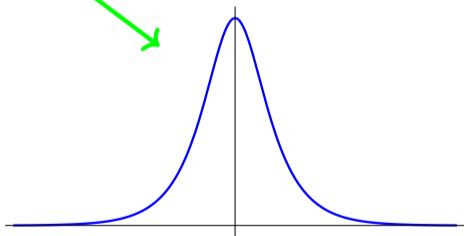


$$\frac{2}{N(\beta_{j+1} - \beta_j)} \approx \rho(\beta) = \frac{1}{2(\pi - \gamma) \cosh\left(\frac{\beta}{\pi - \gamma}\right)}$$

Roots at edges develop scaling behaviour:

$$s_j \sim \lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} N^{2(1 - \frac{\gamma}{\pi})} \zeta_j$$

$$\bar{s}_j \sim \lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} N^{2(1 - \frac{\gamma}{\pi})} \zeta_{N/2 - s_z - j}^{-1}$$



$$\Psi_N(\{\zeta_j\}) \xrightarrow{N \rightarrow \infty} \psi(\{s_j\}) \otimes \bar{\psi}(\{\bar{s}_j\})$$

Remarkably, the scaled edge roots

$$s_j = \lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} (N/N_0)^{2(1-\frac{\gamma}{\pi})} \zeta_j .$$

coincides with the eigenvalues E_j of the Schrödinger equation of the anharmonic oscillator

$$\left(-\frac{d^2}{dx^2} + \frac{\ell(\ell+1)}{x^2} + x^{2\alpha} - E \right) \Psi = 0 .$$

if one sets

$$\alpha = \frac{\pi}{\gamma} - 1, \quad \ell + \frac{1}{2} = \frac{\pi k}{\gamma}, \quad N_0 = \frac{\sqrt{\pi} \Gamma\left(\frac{1}{2} + \frac{\pi}{2\pi-2\gamma}\right)}{2\Gamma\left(1 + \frac{\pi}{2\pi-2\gamma}\right)} .$$

The spectral determinant

The observation that

$$s_j = E_j$$

can be reformulated as

$$\operatorname{slim}_{N \rightarrow \infty} A_+ \left((N/N_0)^{-2(1-\frac{\gamma}{\pi})} E \right) = D_+(E) \quad \left(\frac{\pi}{\gamma} > 2 \right)$$

where

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!!! The LHS is the eigenvalue of the generating function of the qKdV integrable structure !!!

Scaling limit of the Q operator

introduce the lattice Q operator

$$\mathbb{A}_+(\zeta) |\Psi\rangle = \prod_{m=1}^{\frac{N}{2} - S_z} \left(1 - \frac{\zeta}{\zeta_m} \right) |\Psi\rangle$$

then

$$\text{slim}_{N \rightarrow \infty} \mathbb{A}_+ \left((N/N_0)^{-2(1-\frac{\gamma}{\pi})} E \right) = \mathbb{A}_+^{(\text{QFT})}(\lambda) \quad \text{with} \quad E \propto \lambda^2 \quad \left(\frac{\pi}{\gamma} > 2 \right)$$

$$\mathbb{A}_+^{(\text{QFT})}(\lambda) = Z^{-1} \text{Tr} \left[e^{2i\pi\beta p \mathcal{H}} \overleftarrow{\mathcal{P}} \exp \left(\lambda \int_0^{2\pi} dx \left(e^{+2i\beta\phi} q^{\frac{\mathcal{H}}{2}} \mathcal{E}_+ + e^{-2i\beta\phi} q^{-\frac{\mathcal{H}}{2}} \mathcal{E}_- \right) \right) \right]$$

(defined in Kotousov talk)

What about the inhomogenous case?

Multiparameteric generalisation

The XXZ $\frac{1}{2}$ -spin chain is related to the homogeneous six-vertex model, a 2D classical statistical system [Baxter '71]. The latter admits an integrable **multiparameteric** generalisation. The BAE read

$$\prod_{j=1}^N \frac{\eta_j + q^{+1} \zeta_j}{\eta_j + q^{-1} \zeta_j} = -e^{\pm 2i\pi k} q^{2S^z} \prod_{i=1}^{N/2-S^z} \frac{\zeta_i - q^{+2} \zeta_j}{\zeta_i - q^{-2} \zeta_j} \quad (j = 1, 2, \dots, \frac{N}{2} - S^z)$$

The complex parameters $\{\eta_j\}_{j=1}^N$ are called inhomogeneities. We take N divisible by $r \in \mathbb{N}$ and we have the periodicity condition

$$\eta_{j+r} = \eta_j$$

Then one can introduce local Hamiltonian \mathbb{H}

- $r = 1 \implies$ standard XXZ
- $r = 2$ [(Ikhelf)-Jacobsen-Saleur '05('06,'11); Frahm-Seel '14; Bazhanov-Kotousov-Koval-Lukyanov '19'21'21]
- \mathbb{H} includes interaction up to $r + 1$ adjacent spins.

Starting point: \mathcal{Z}_r invariant case

extra \mathcal{Z}_r symmetry by setting

$$\eta_\ell = (-1)^r e^{\frac{i\pi}{r}(2\ell-1)} \quad (\ell = 1, \dots, r)$$

system critical when $q = e^{i\gamma}$ but the critical behaviour described differently in each sector

$$\frac{\pi}{r} A < \gamma < \frac{\pi}{r} (A + 1).$$

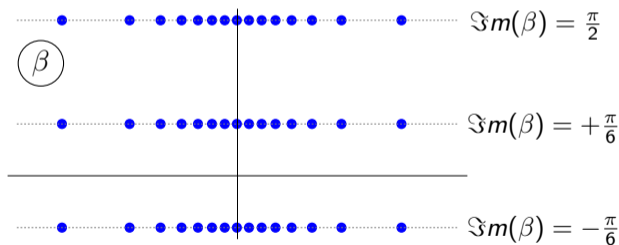
useful parameterization of γ

$$\gamma = \frac{\pi}{r} A + \frac{\pi}{n+r} \quad (A = 0, 1, \dots, r-1, n > 0).$$

The \mathcal{Z}_r invariant case: Bethe roots

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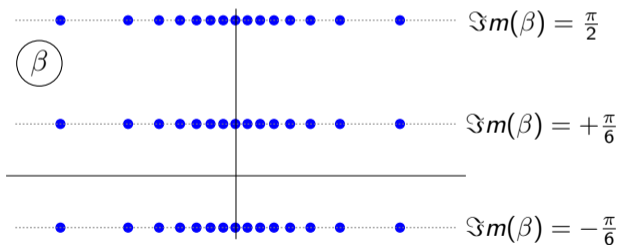
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Reduction for $|\zeta_j^{(a)}|^r$ to XXZ

with $q \mapsto e^{\frac{i\pi r}{n+r}}$, $N \mapsto N/r$

Immediated consequences

The limits

$$E_m^{(a)} = \lim_{\substack{N \rightarrow \infty \\ m \text{ - fixed}}} \left(\frac{N}{rN_0} \right)^{\frac{2n}{r(n+r)}} \zeta_m^{(a)}$$

exist and are non-vanishing.

The numbers $E_m^{(a)}$ are then expressed in terms of the spectrum of an ODE deduced from the reduction to XXZ.

The vacuum ODE for \mathcal{Z}_r invariant case

XXZ:

$$\left(-\frac{d^2}{dx^2} + \frac{\ell(\ell+1)}{x^2} + x^{2\alpha} - E \right) \Psi = 0 ,$$

$$\alpha = n , \quad \ell + \frac{1}{2} = (n+1)k .$$

$$\downarrow \quad q = e^{\frac{i\pi 1}{n+1}} \mapsto e^{\frac{i\pi r}{n+r}}$$

\mathcal{Z}_r invariant case:

$$\left(-\frac{d^2}{dx^2} + \frac{\ell(\ell+1)}{x^2} + x^{2\alpha} - (-1)^A E^r \right) \Psi = 0 ,$$

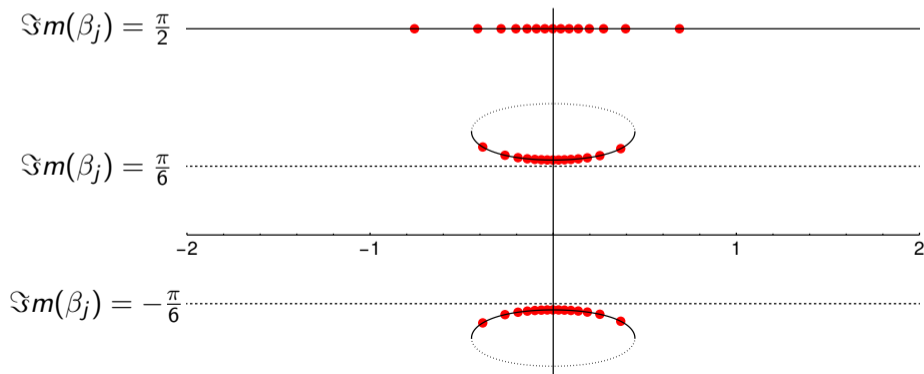
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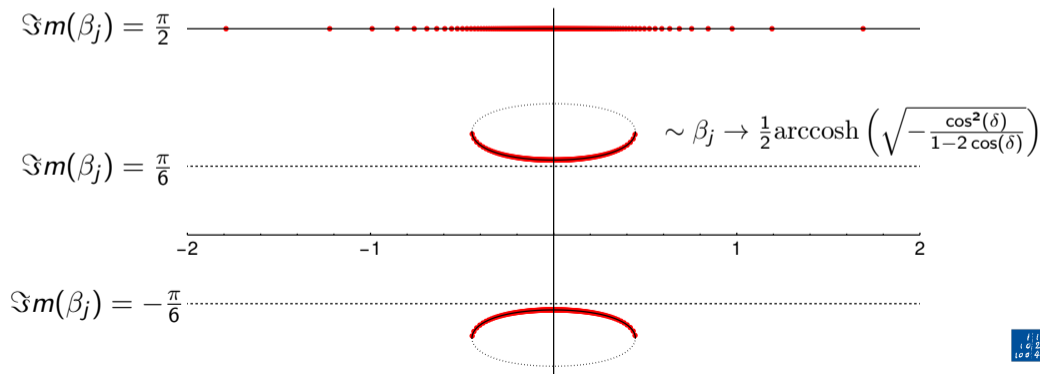


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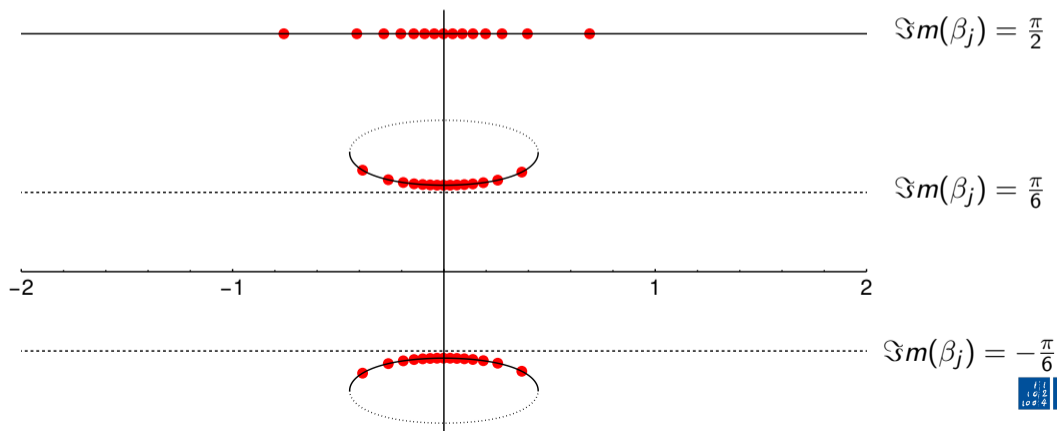
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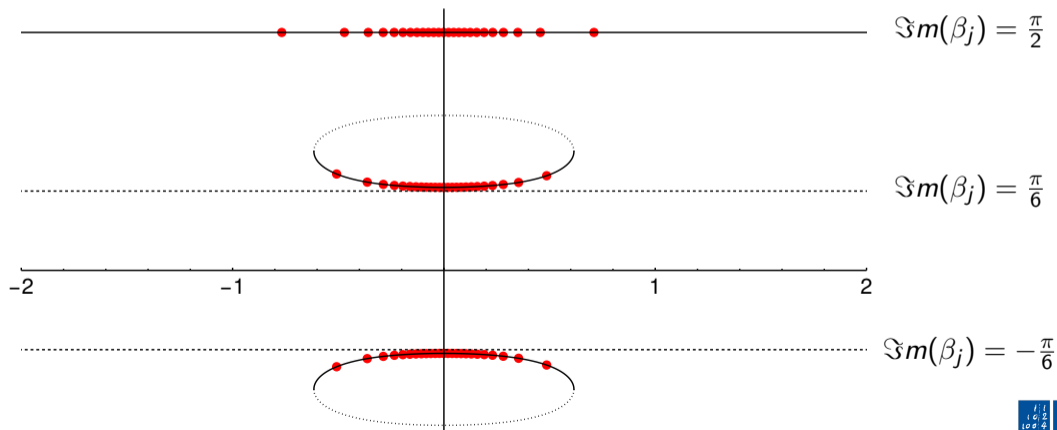
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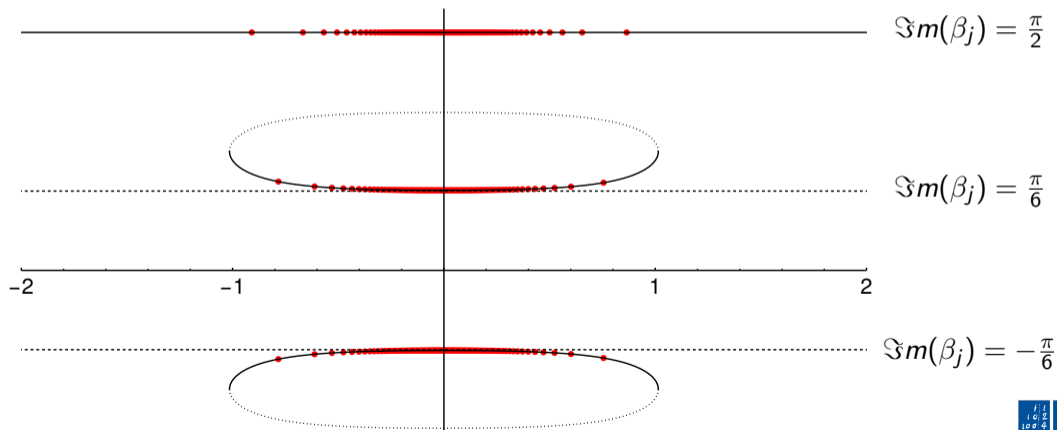
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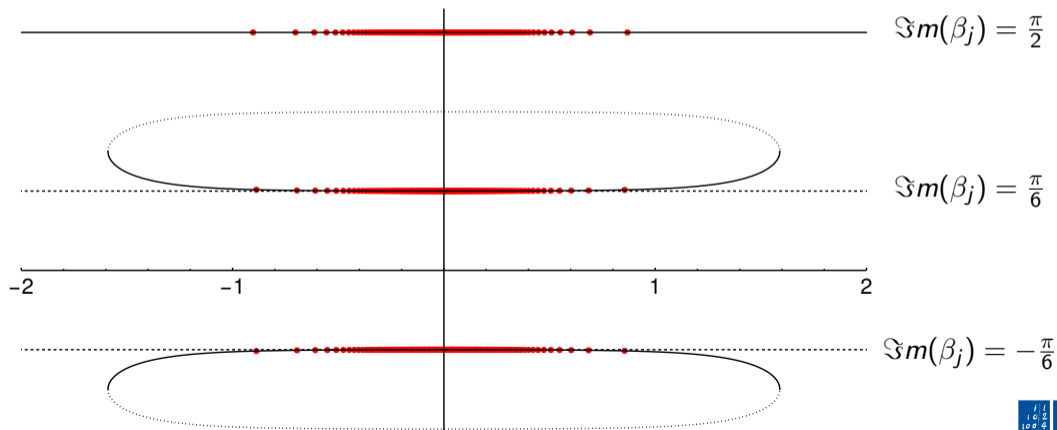
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Goal:

Arrange the scaling procedure with

$$\eta_\ell(N) \rightarrow (-1)^r e^{\frac{i\pi}{r}} (2\ell-1)$$

such that the following conditions are met

1. $\lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} \left(\frac{N}{rN_0} \right)^{\frac{2n}{r(n+r)}} \zeta_m^{(a)}$ exists
2. The limiting value is different from the \mathcal{Z}_r invariant case and described by a deformed ODE

$$\left[-\partial_y^2 + p^2 + e^{(n+r)y} - (-1)^A E^r e^{ry} - \delta U(y) \right] \psi = 0$$

$$\left(y = \frac{2}{r} \log(x) + \frac{2}{n+r} \log\left(\frac{r}{2}\right) \text{ and } \psi = x^{-\frac{1}{2}} \Psi \right) \quad p = \frac{n+r}{2} \mathbf{k}$$

We call this 'softly breaking' the \mathcal{Z}_r symmetry.

The free fermion point: $A = \frac{r-1}{2}$ and $n = r$ (r odd)

For the ground state at the free fermion point we have the Bethe ansatz equations

$$\frac{N}{i\pi r} \log \left(\prod_{\ell=1}^r \frac{1 + i\zeta_m^{(a)}/\eta_\ell}{1 - i\zeta_m^{(a)}/\eta_\ell} \right) = 2m - 1 + 2k \quad (m = 1, 2, \dots, N/(2r))$$

To perform the scaling limit, we write ζ into the form

$$\zeta = \left(\frac{\pi}{2N} \right)^{\frac{1}{r}} E$$

and keep E fixed as $N \rightarrow \infty$ to obtain

$$\sum_{k=0}^A (-1)^k a_{2k+1} (E_k^{(a)})^{2k+1} = 2m - 1 + 2k$$

where the following are also kept fixed

$$a_{2k+1} = \frac{1}{2k+1} \left(\frac{2N}{\pi} \right)^{1 - \frac{2k+1}{r}} \frac{1}{r} \sum_{\ell=1}^r \eta_\ell^{-2k-1} \quad (k = 0, \dots, (r-1)/2)$$

Introducing new ODE

Now: come up with a ODE with 'eigenvalues'* $E_m^{(a)}$ obeying

$$\sum_{k=0}^A (-1)^k a_{2k+1} (E_k^{(a)})^{2k+1} = 2m - 1 + 2k$$

Start from the harmonic oscillator in disguise (confluent hypergeometrical equation)

$$[-\partial_y^2 + p^2 + e^{2ry} - r\lambda(E) e^{ry}] \psi = 0$$

$$\psi_p = e^{py} e^{-\frac{1}{r}e^{ry}} {}_1F_1\left(\frac{1}{2} + \frac{p}{r} - \frac{\lambda}{2}, 1 + \frac{2p}{r}, \frac{2}{r}e^{ry}\right)$$

*By eigenvalues we mean that the ODE possesses a normalizable solution for $E = E_m^{(a)}$.

The asymptotic behaviour for $y \rightarrow \infty$ is given by

$$\psi_p(y) \asymp (2r)^{\frac{p}{r} + \frac{1}{2}} \frac{\Gamma(1 + \frac{p}{r})}{2\sqrt{\pi}} \left(\frac{r}{2}\right)^{\frac{\lambda}{2}} D_+ \exp\left\{\frac{1}{r}e^{ry} - (\lambda + 1)\frac{ry}{2}\right\}$$

where

$$D_+ = \frac{\Gamma(\frac{1}{2} + \frac{p}{r})}{\Gamma(\frac{1}{2} + \frac{p}{r} - \frac{1}{2}\lambda)}$$

The function ψ_p vanishes at large y only if $D_+ = 0$, i.e. we have pole of the Γ function in the denominator \implies spectrum is defined by the equation

$$\lambda(E) = 2m - 1 + \frac{2p}{r}$$

Hence, we simply must set in the ODE

$$\lambda(E) = \sum_{k=0}^A (-1)^k a_{2k+1} (E_k^{(a)})^{2k+1}$$

The general case for $A = \frac{r-1}{2}$

away for the free fermion point, we propose the ODE

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in general connection of c 's and a 's is rather cumbersome. For example for $r = 5$ we have

$$c_1 = C_0^{(0)} a_1 + \frac{n-5}{20n} \left((C_1^{(1)})^2 - 5C_0^{(0)} \right) a_3^2, \quad c_3 = C_1^{(1)} a_3,$$

$$C_j^{(j)} = (-1)^j \frac{r \Gamma\left(\frac{r}{2n}\right) \Gamma\left(1 - \frac{(2j+1)(n-r)}{2rn}\right)}{\Gamma\left(\frac{1}{2} + \frac{r}{2n}\right) \Gamma\left(\frac{1}{2} - \frac{(2j+1)(n-r)}{2rn}\right)}.$$

The numerical validation: sum rules

$$\text{slim}_{N \rightarrow \infty} A_+ \left((N/(rN_0))^{-\frac{2n}{r(n+r)}} E \right) = D_+(E), \quad (n > r)$$

expand both sites for small E to get

$$\text{slim}_{N \rightarrow \infty} \left(\frac{N}{rN_0} \right)^{-\frac{2sn}{r(n+r)}} h_s^{(N)} = J_s,$$

$$\log(D_+(E)) = -\sum_{s=1}^{\infty} J_s E^s \quad \text{and} \quad \log(A_+(\zeta)) = -\sum_{j=1}^{\infty} h_j^{(N)} \zeta^j.$$

where

$$h_j^{(N)} = \frac{1}{j} \sum_{m=1}^{N/2} \zeta_m^{-j}.$$

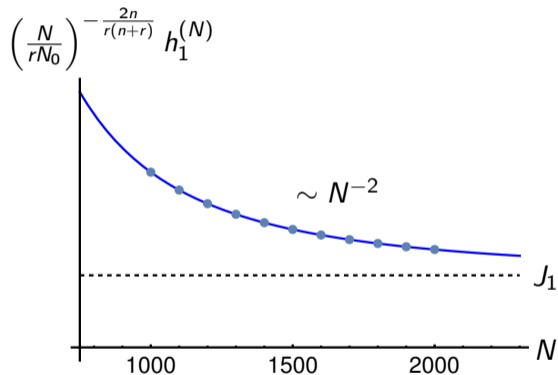
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J'_s from perturbation theory of ODE

$\frac{1}{s} \sum_{m=1}^{N/2} \zeta_m^{-s}$ from Bethe ansatz

Example: $r = 3, A = 1, h_1^{(N)}$



$$J_1 = c_1 \rho_1 f_1(h, g_0)$$

$$f_1(h, g) = \frac{\pi \Gamma(1-2g)}{\sin(\pi g)} \frac{\Gamma(g+2h)}{\Gamma(1-g+2h)}$$

$$\rho_1 = \frac{(n+r)^{2g_0-2}}{\Gamma^2(1-g_0)}$$

$$g_0 = \frac{1}{2} - \frac{n-r}{2r(n+r)}$$

General conjecture

For given r and $A = 0, 1, \dots, r - 1$

$$\gamma = \frac{\pi}{r} A + \frac{\pi}{n+r} \quad (n > 0)$$

and fixed

$$\alpha_s = \frac{1}{s} \left(\frac{N}{rN_0} \right)^{d_s} \frac{1}{r} \sum_{\ell=1}^r (\eta_\ell)^{-s},$$

we can adjust the d_s such that the scaling limit is governed by the ODE

$$\left[-\partial_y^2 + p^2 + e^{(n+r)y} - (-1)^A E^r e^{ry} - \sum_{(\mu,j) \in \Xi_{r,A}} c_{\mu,j} E^\mu e^{((A\mu-rj) \frac{n+r}{r} + \mu)y} \right] \psi = 0$$

with a polynomial relation between $\{\alpha_s\}$ and $\{c_{\mu,j}\}$.

General conjecture

The set $\Xi_{r,A}$ is given by

$$\begin{aligned}\Xi_{r,0} &= \{(\mu, j) : \mu = 1, 2, \dots, r-1 \ \& \ j = 0\}, & \text{for } A = 0 \\ \Xi_{r,A} &= \{(\mu, j) : \frac{rj}{A} < \mu < \frac{r}{A+1}(j+1) \ \& \ j \geq 0\} & \text{for } A = 1, 2, \dots, r-2, \\ \Xi_{r,r-1} &= \{(\mu, j) : \mu = j+1 \ \& \ j = 0, 1, \dots, r-2\} & \text{for } A = r-1 \text{ (GAGM)}.\end{aligned}$$

the exponents d_s must be found case by case!

$A = 1, r-1$ and r odd $A = \frac{r-1}{2}$ and r even $A = \frac{r}{2} - 1, \frac{r}{2}$ we have classified the d_s and present explicit relation between c 's and a 's

also how to organise the scaling limit to reach ODE:

$$\left[-\partial_y^2 + p^2 + e^{(n+r)y} - (-1)^A E^r e^{ry} - c_{\mu,j} E^\mu e^{((A\mu-rj)\frac{n+r}{r} + \mu)y} \right] \psi = 0$$

Summary and conclusion

- We described how to organise scaling limit of inhomogeneous XXZ spin chain to obtain the ODE

$$\left[-\partial_y^2 + p^2 + e^{(n+r)y} - (-1)^A E^r e^{ry} - \sum_{(\mu,j) \in \Xi_{r,A}} c_{\mu,j} E^\mu e^{((A\mu-rj)\frac{n+r}{r} + \mu)y} \right] \psi = 0 .$$

- This means the ODE is involved in an ODE/IQFT correspondence for a new multiparametric integrable structure in CFT!!!
- Despite that we do not have a field theory construction of the IQFT, the scaling limit of the lattice system provides a definition of the field theory Q operator which generates the integrals of motion.

Future directions

- Study the CFT/integrable structure of the critical inhomogeneous XXZ spin chain (including excited states)
⇒ uncovering the field theories governing the critical behaviours of inhomogeneous six-vertex model? [Lukyanov]
- Higher spin generalizations? [Kotousov, Frahm]
- Different underlying symmetry algebras such as $A_2^{(2)}$ [Jacobsen, Retore]
⇒ Higher rank such as $D_n^{(2)}$ [Nepomechie, Retore]

Thank you!