

Uncovering new integrable structures via the ODE/IQFT correspondence

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ODE/IQFT (ODE/IM, ...) correspondence

[Voros'92; Dorey Tateo'98; BLZ'98,03; LZ'10]

classical/quantum correspondence that holds for **any** \hbar

Quantum side: spectral problem of commuting family of operators in $1 + 1$ dimensional integrable QFT

Classical side: analysis of classically integrable $1 + 1$ dimensional partial differential equation

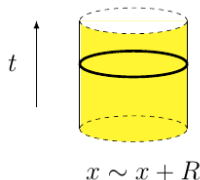
Powerful applications, e.g.,

- first principles quantization of integrable QFT [with Bazhanov, Lacroix, Lukyanov, Teschner]
- scaling limit of integrable, critical spin chains [with Bazhanov, Frahm, Gehrmann, Koval, Lukyanov, Shabetnik]

Quantum side: sine-Gordon integrable QFT

$$\mathcal{L} = \frac{1}{16\pi} \left((\partial_t \varphi)^2 - (\partial_x \varphi)^2 \right) + 2\mu \cos(\beta \varphi)$$

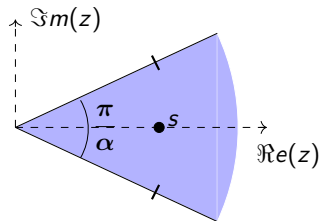
$$\partial_\mu \varphi(t, x + R) = \partial_\mu \varphi(t, x)$$



Classical side: modified sinh-Gordon integrable PDE

$$\partial_z \partial_{\bar{z}} \eta = e^{2\eta} - |z^{2\alpha} - s^{2\alpha}|^2 e^{-2\eta}$$

$$\eta(z e^{+i\pi/\alpha}, \bar{z} e^{-i\pi/\alpha}) = \eta(z, \bar{z})$$



Modified sinh-Gordon equation

$$\partial_z \partial_{\bar{z}} \eta = e^{2\eta} - |z^{2\alpha} - s^{2\alpha}|^2 e^{-2\eta} \quad (\alpha, s > 0)$$

Integrability \implies infinitely many conservation laws:

$$\partial_{\bar{z}} F_{2n} = \partial_z G_{2n-2}, \quad \partial_z \bar{F}_{2n} = \partial_{\bar{z}} \bar{G}_{2n-2} \quad (n = 1, 2, \dots)$$

e.g.,

$$F_2 = \frac{1}{4\sqrt{p}} \left((\partial_z \eta)^2 - \partial_z^2 \eta + \frac{p''}{4p} - \frac{5(p')^2}{16p^2} \right), \quad G_0 = 2\sqrt{\bar{p}} (|p| e^{-2\eta} - 1)$$

with $p = z^{2\alpha} - s^{2\alpha}$, $\bar{p} = \bar{z}^{2\alpha} - s^{2\alpha}$

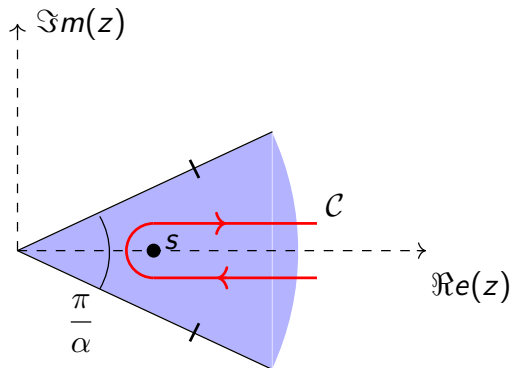
F_{2n} , G_{2n-2} in terms of Gel'fand-Dikii polys [\[Lukyanov, Zamolodchikov'10\]](#)

Conserved quantities

$$\tilde{\mathfrak{J}}_{2n-1}[\eta] = \oint_{\mathcal{C}} F_{2n} dz + G_{2n-2} d\bar{z},$$

$$\bar{\tilde{\mathfrak{J}}}_{2n-1}[\eta] = \oint_{\mathcal{C}} \bar{F}_{2n} d\bar{z} + \bar{G}_{2n-2} dz$$

remain unchanged under continuous deformations of \mathcal{C}



$$\partial_z \partial_{\bar{z}} \eta = e^{2\eta} - |z^{2\alpha} - s^{2\alpha}|^2 e^{-2\eta}$$

sine-Gordon model

$$\mathcal{L} = \frac{1}{16\pi} \left((\partial_t \varphi)^2 - (\partial_x \varphi)^2 \right) + 2\mu \cos(\beta\varphi)$$

Infinite number of conservation laws

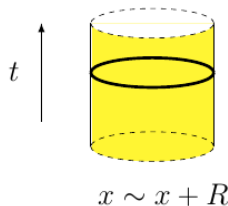
$$\partial_+ T_{2n} = \partial_- \Theta_{2n-2}, \quad \partial_+ T_{-2n} = \partial_- \Theta_{-2n}, \quad (\partial_{\pm} = \frac{1}{2} (\partial_t \pm \partial_x))$$

with $n = 1, 2, \dots$

Local Integrals of Motion (IM) in finite volume:

$$\mathbb{J}_{2n-1} = \int_0^R dx (T_{2n} - \Theta_{2n-2})$$

$$\bar{\mathbb{J}}_{2n-1} = \int_0^R dx (T_{-2n} - \Theta_{-2n})$$



Integrability assumes

$$[\mathbb{J}_{2n-1}, \mathbb{J}_{2m-1}] = [\bar{\mathbb{J}}_{2n-1}, \mathbb{J}_{2m-1}] = [\bar{\mathbb{J}}_{2n-1}, \bar{\mathbb{J}}_{2m-1}] = 0$$

- **Classical side:** modified sinh-Gordon equation integrable PDE

$$\partial_z \partial_{\bar{z}} \eta = e^{2\eta} - |z^{2\alpha} - s^{2\alpha}|^2 e^{-2\eta} = 0$$

with infinite number of 'conserved charges'

$$\tilde{\mathfrak{J}}_{2n-1}[\eta] = \oint_{\mathcal{C}} F_{2n} dz + G_{2n-2} d\bar{z}, \quad \bar{\tilde{\mathfrak{J}}}_{2n-1}[\eta] = (\dots)$$

Fix solution

$$\underbrace{\eta^{(\text{vac}, \ell)}}_{\text{real}} = \begin{cases} 2\ell \log |z| + O(1) & \text{as } |z| \rightarrow 0 \\ \alpha \log |z| + o(1) & \text{as } |z| \rightarrow \infty \end{cases}$$

with $-\frac{1}{2} < \ell < \frac{1}{2}$ (no other singularities allowed)

Quantum/classical correspondence

- **Quantum side:** sine-Gordon model

$$\mathcal{L} = \frac{1}{16\pi} \left((\partial_t \varphi)^2 - (\partial_x \varphi)^2 \right) + 2\mu \cos(\beta\varphi)$$

with infinite set of commuting IM

$$[\mathbb{J}_{2n-1}, \mathbb{J}_{2m-1}] = [\bar{\mathbb{J}}_{2n-1}, \mathbb{J}_{2m-1}] = [\bar{\mathbb{J}}_{2n-1}, \bar{\mathbb{J}}_{2m-1}] = 0$$

Fix state

Vacuum in sector with quasi-momentum k :

$$\varphi \mapsto \varphi + 2\pi/\beta, \quad |\Psi_k^{(\text{vac})}\rangle \mapsto e^{2\pi i k} |\Psi_k^{(\text{vac})}\rangle \quad \left(-\frac{1}{2} < k < \frac{1}{2}\right)$$

Consider eigenvalues of IM computed on state

$$\mathbb{J}_{2n-1} |\Psi_k^{(\text{vac})}\rangle = J_{2n-1}^{(\text{vac}, k)} |\Psi_k^{(\text{vac})}\rangle, \quad \bar{\mathbb{J}}_{2n-1} |\Psi_k^{(\text{vac})}\rangle = \bar{J}_{2n-1}^{(\text{vac}, k)} |\Psi_k^{(\text{vac})}\rangle$$

Quantum/classical correspondence

- **Classical problem:**

$$\tilde{\mathcal{J}}_{2n-1}[\eta^{(\text{vac},\ell)}] = \oint_C F_{2n} dz + G_{2n-2} d\bar{z}, \quad \bar{\tilde{\mathcal{J}}}_{2n-1}[\eta^{(\text{vac},\ell)}] = (\dots)$$

- **Quantum problem:**

$$\mathbb{J}_{2n-1}|\Psi_k^{(\text{vac})}\rangle = J_{2n-1}^{(\text{vac},k)}|\Psi_k^{(\text{vac})}\rangle, \quad \bar{\mathbb{J}}_{2n-1}|\Psi_k^{(\text{vac})}\rangle = \bar{J}_{2n-1}^{(\text{vac},k)}|\Psi_k^{(\text{vac})}\rangle$$

- **Classical/quantum correspondence:** [Lukyanov, Zamolodchikov'10]

$$J_{2n-1}^{(\text{vac},k)} = C_n \tilde{\mathcal{J}}_{2n-1}[\eta^{(\text{vac},\ell)}] \quad \bar{J}_{2n-1}^{(\text{vac},k)} = C_n \bar{\tilde{\mathcal{J}}}_{2n-1}[\eta^{(\text{vac},\ell)}]$$

with

$$\beta^2 = \frac{1}{\alpha+1}, \quad \underbrace{R\mu^{\frac{1}{2-2\beta^2}}}_{\text{dimensionless}} \propto s^{\alpha+1}, \quad 2|k| = \ell + \frac{1}{2}$$

How to explore the ODE/IQFT correspondence?

Important simplifying limit (UV limit):

$$\underbrace{R\mu^{\frac{1}{2-2\beta^2}}}_{\text{dimensionless}} \mapsto 0$$

- (non-)local IM in sine-Gordon model become integrable structure in CFT (KdV integrable structure [BLZ'94])
- modified sinh-Gordon PDE replaced by ODE (Schrödinger eq. for 3D anharmonic oscillator)

- **rigorously** prove the ODE/IQFT correspondence for vacua [BLZ'98]
- extend to all states in the theory [BLZ'03] (conjecture); [Conti, Masoero '20; '21] (proof)

UV limit for sine-Gordon model

- Lagrangian:

$$\mathcal{L} = \frac{1}{16\pi} \left((\partial_t \varphi)^2 - (\partial_x \varphi)^2 \right) + 2\mu \cos(\beta\varphi) \mapsto \text{free field theory}$$

- Quantization:

$$\varphi(t, x) = \phi(t + x) + \bar{\phi}(t - x)$$

$\phi, \bar{\phi}$ generate two independent copies of Heisenberg algebra

- Space of states:

$$\mathcal{H} = \bigoplus_{\rho, \bar{\rho} \in \Sigma} \mathcal{F}_\rho \otimes \bar{\mathcal{F}}_{\bar{\rho}}$$

\mathcal{F}_ρ ($\bar{\mathcal{F}}_{\bar{\rho}}$) Fock space for $\partial\phi$ ($\partial\bar{\phi}$) with zero-mode momentum ρ ($\bar{\rho}$)

UV limit for local IM [A. Zamolodchikov '89]

$$\lim_{R \rightarrow 0} \underbrace{[R^{2n-1} \mathbb{J}_{2n-1}]}_{\text{dimensionless}} = \mathbb{I}_{2n-1}, \quad \lim_{R \rightarrow 0} \underbrace{[R^{2n-1} \bar{\mathbb{J}}_{2n-1}]}_{\text{dimensionless}} = \bar{\mathbb{I}}_{2n-1}$$

with

$$\mathbb{I}_{2n-1} : \mathcal{F}_p \mapsto \mathcal{F}_p, \quad [\mathbb{I}_{2n-1}, \mathbb{I}_{2m-1}] = 0 \quad (\text{similarly for } \bar{\mathbb{I}}_{2n-1})$$

Example:

$$\mathbb{I}_1 = \int_0^{2\pi} \frac{dx}{2\pi} (\partial\phi)^2$$

$$\mathbb{I}_3 = \int_0^{2\pi} \frac{dx}{2\pi} \left((\partial\phi)^4 + (3 - \beta^2 - \beta^{-2}) (\partial^2\phi)^2 \right)$$

$\{\mathbb{I}_{2n-1}\}_{n \geq 1}$ are local IM for **quantum KdV integrable structure**

Family of commuting operators acting in Fock space:

$$\mathbb{O} : \mathcal{F}_p \mapsto \mathcal{F}_p, \quad [\mathbb{O}, \mathbb{O}'] = 0$$

Consists of

- Local IM $\{\mathbb{I}_{2n-1}\}_{n \geq 1}$
- Reflection operator \mathbb{R}
- Non-local IM $\{\mathbb{H}_n\}_{n \geq 1}$
- Dual non-local IM $\{\widetilde{\mathbb{H}}_n\}_{n \geq 1}$

Focus on generating operator for all conserved charges:

$$\mathbb{A}_{\pm}(\lambda) : \mathcal{F}_p \mapsto \mathcal{F}_p, \quad [\mathbb{A}_{\pm}(\lambda), \mathbb{A}_{\pm}(\lambda')] = [\mathbb{A}_{\pm}(\lambda), \mathbb{A}_{\mp}(\lambda')] = 0$$

similar to Q operator introduced in integrable lattice systems [Baxter'72]

Normalization factor so that $\mathbb{A}_{\pm}(0) = \mathbf{1}$

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

Trace taken over infinite dimensional representation of q -oscillator algebra:

$$q\mathcal{E}_+\mathcal{E}_- - q^{-1}\mathcal{E}_-\mathcal{E}_+ = \frac{1}{q - q^{-1}}, \quad [\mathcal{H}, \mathcal{E}_{\pm}] = \pm 2\mathcal{E}_{\pm}, \quad q = e^{i\pi\beta^2}$$

(similar formula for \mathbb{A}_-)

Construction based on rep. theory of $U_q(\widehat{\mathfrak{sl}}(2))$

$$\implies [\mathbb{A}_{\pm}(\lambda), \mathbb{A}_{\pm}(\lambda')] = [\mathbb{A}_{\pm}(\lambda), \mathbb{A}_{\mp}(\lambda')] = 0$$

and operator relations underlying integrability, e.g., quantum Wronskian relation

Generating function

Non-local IM appear in **small** λ expansion:

$$\log \mathbb{A}_+(\lambda) = - \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \lambda^{2n} \mathbb{H}_n$$

Dual non-local/local IM appear in **large** λ expansion:

$$\begin{aligned} \log \mathbb{A}_+(\lambda) &\asymp \log(\mathbb{R}) - \frac{p}{\beta^2} \log((- \lambda^2)/\text{const}) + \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} B_n (-\lambda^2)^{\frac{1-2n}{2-2\beta^2}} \mathbb{I}_{2n-1} \\ &+ \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} C_n (-\lambda^2)^{-\frac{n}{\beta^2}} \tilde{\mathbb{H}}_n \quad \text{as} \quad \lambda^2 \rightarrow -\infty \end{aligned}$$

ODE side: flat connection

Focus on flat connection

$$\partial_z \partial_{\bar{z}} \eta = e^{2\eta} - |z^{2\alpha} - s^{2\alpha}|^2 e^{-2\eta} \quad \iff \quad [\partial_z - \mathbf{A}_z(\lambda), \partial_{\bar{z}} - \mathbf{A}_{\bar{z}}(\lambda)] = 0$$

which generates all IM, e.g., as $\lambda \rightarrow +\infty$

$$\text{Tr} \overleftarrow{\mathcal{P}} \exp \left(\int_{\mathcal{C}} \mathbf{A}_z(\lambda) dz + \mathbf{A}_{\bar{z}}(\lambda) d\bar{z} \right) \asymp \exp \left(C'_0 \lambda + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} C'_n \mathfrak{J}_{2n-1} \lambda^{-(2n-1)} \right)$$

$$\partial_z - \mathbf{A}_z = \begin{pmatrix} \partial_z - \frac{1}{2} \partial_z \eta & e^\eta \\ \lambda^{+2} (z^{2\alpha} - s^{2\alpha}) e^{-\eta} & \partial_z + \frac{1}{2} \partial_z \eta \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\partial_{\bar{z}} - \mathbf{A}_{\bar{z}} = \begin{pmatrix} \partial_{\bar{z}} + \frac{1}{2} \partial_{\bar{z}} \eta & \lambda^{-2} (\bar{z}^{2\alpha} - s^{2\alpha}) e^{-\eta} \\ e^\eta & \partial_{\bar{z}} - \frac{1}{2} \partial_{\bar{z}} \eta \end{pmatrix}$$

UV limit of flat connection

- Rewrite as 2nd order ODE, e.g.,

$$(\partial_z - \mathbf{A}_z)\Psi = 0 \quad \iff \quad \left[-\partial_z^2 + (\partial_z \eta)^2 - \partial_z^2 \eta + \lambda^2 z^{2\alpha} \right] \psi = \lambda^2 s^{2\alpha} \psi$$

- **Multiple ways** to take limit. Send $s \propto R\mu^{\frac{1}{2-2\beta^2}} \rightarrow 0$ with $z, \lambda^{-1} \rightarrow 0$ keeping fixed

$$x = \lambda^{\frac{1}{1+\alpha}} z, \quad E = \lambda^{\frac{2\alpha}{1+\alpha}} s^{2\alpha}$$

(then $\partial_z - \mathbf{A}_z$ becomes differential operator encoding eigenvalues of unbarred IM, while $\partial_{\bar{z}} - \mathbf{A}_{\bar{z}}$ will turn out to be trivial)

- Substitute in

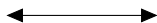
$$\eta \mapsto \eta^{(\text{vac}, \ell)} \sim \ell \log(z)$$

This yields

$$\left[-\partial_x^2 + \frac{\ell(\ell+1)}{x^2} + x^{2\alpha} \right] \psi = E \psi$$

ODE/IQFT correspondence for quantum KdV

Schrödinger eq. for 3D
anharmonic oscillator



Vacuum eigenvalues for
quantum KdV IM

$$D_{\pm}(E) = A_{\pm}^{(\text{vac})}(\lambda)$$

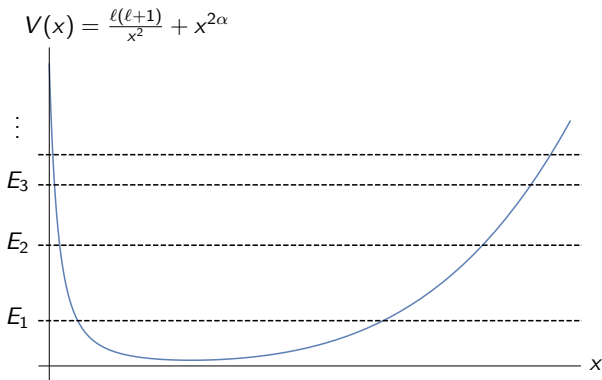
Spectral determinants
of Schrödinger eq.

Vacuum eigenvalue of
 $\mathbb{A}_{\pm}(\lambda)$ in \mathcal{F}_p

with $E \propto \lambda^2$, $\alpha = \beta^{-2} - 1$, $\ell = p - \frac{1}{2}$

- first discovered [Dorey, Tateo '98] (for $\ell = 0$)
- extended and proved [BLZ '98]
- generalized to excited states [BLZ '03] (proof in [Conti, Masoero '20; '21])

Spectral determinants



$$D_+(E) = \prod_{j=1}^{\infty} \left(1 - \frac{E}{E_j}\right) \quad (\text{technical assumption } \alpha > 1)$$

$$\text{and } D_-(E|\ell) = D_+(E|-\ell-1)$$

Comment on proof

Most important in quantum KdV is the **quantum Wronskian relation** [BLZ'96]:

$$(1) \quad q^p \mathbb{A}_+(q^{\frac{1}{2}}\lambda) \mathbb{A}_-(q^{-\frac{1}{2}}\lambda) - q^{-p} \mathbb{A}_+(q^{-\frac{1}{2}}\lambda) \mathbb{A}_-(q^{+\frac{1}{2}}\lambda) = q^p - q^{-p}$$

On ODE side one can prove [BLZ'98]

$$(2) \quad e^{\frac{i\pi}{\alpha+1}(\ell+\frac{1}{2})} D_+(e^{\frac{2i\pi}{\alpha+1}E}) D_-(E) - e^{-\frac{i\pi}{\alpha+1}(\ell+\frac{1}{2})} D_+(E) D_-(e^{\frac{2i\pi}{\alpha+1}E}) \\ = e^{\frac{i\pi}{\alpha+1}(\ell+\frac{1}{2})} - e^{-\frac{i\pi}{\alpha+1}(\ell+\frac{1}{2})}$$

Relations (1) (specialized to common eigenvector) and (2) coincide if

$$q = e^{i\pi\beta^2} = e^{\frac{i\pi}{\alpha+1}}, \quad p = \ell + \frac{1}{2}, \quad E \propto \lambda^2$$

Additional **analyticity properties** required to show $D_{\pm}(E) = A_{\pm}^{(\text{vac})}(\lambda)$

Other integrable structures: quantum AKNS

$$\left[-\partial_z^2 + \frac{p^2 - \frac{1}{4}}{z^2} + \frac{2is}{z} + 1 + \mu^{-2-n} z^n \right] \Psi = 0$$

encodes vacuum eigenvalues of IM for **quantum AKNS integrable structure**
[Fateev, Lukyanov '05]

$$\mathbb{O} : \mathcal{F}_{p,s} \mapsto \mathcal{F}_{p,s}, \quad [\mathbb{O}, \mathbb{O}'] = 0$$

First few local IM:

$$\mathbb{I}_1 = \int_0^{2\pi} \frac{dx}{2\pi} \left((\partial\phi_1)^2 + (\partial\phi_2)^2 \right)$$

$$\mathbb{I}_2 = \int_0^{2\pi} \frac{dx}{2\pi} \left((\partial\phi_1)^3 + \frac{3(n+2)}{3n+4} \partial\phi_1 (\partial\phi_2)^2 + \frac{3i(n+1)\sqrt{n+2}}{3n+4} \partial\phi_1 \partial^2\phi_2 \right)$$

Massive ODE/IQFT correspondence **has not been adequately explored**, but is expected to involve complex sinh-Gordon I IQFT and its variants

Other integrable structures: Fateev

$$\left[-\partial_z^2 + \kappa^2 \mathcal{P}(z) + \sum_{j=1}^3 \frac{\rho_j^2 - \frac{1}{4}}{(z - z_j)^2} - \frac{\gamma_j}{z - z_j} \right] \Psi(z) = 0$$

$$\mathcal{P}(z) = \prod_{j=1}^3 (z - z_j)^{a_j - 2} \quad \text{with} \quad a_i > 0 : a_1 + a_2 + a_3 = 2$$

Encodes vacuum eigenvalues of **Fateev integrable structure** [Fateev '95]

$$\mathbb{O} : \mathcal{F}_{\rho_1, \rho_2, \rho_3} \mapsto \mathcal{F}_{\rho_1, \rho_2, \rho_3}, \quad [\mathbb{O}, \mathbb{O}'] = 0$$

Massive case studied in [Lukyanov '13; Bazhanov, Lukyanov '13]:

$$\partial_z \partial_{\bar{z}} \eta = e^{2\eta} - \rho^2 |\mathcal{P}(z)|^2 e^{-2\eta}$$

$$\mathcal{L} = \frac{1}{16\pi} \sum_{j=1}^3 (\partial_\mu \varphi_j)^2 + 2\mu \left(e^{i\alpha_3 \varphi_3} \cos(\alpha_1 \varphi_1 + \alpha_2 \varphi_2) \right.$$

$$\left. + e^{-i\alpha_3 \varphi_3} \cos(\alpha_1 \varphi_1 - \alpha_2 \varphi_2) \right) \quad (a_i = 4\alpha_i^2)$$

So far: review of ODE/IQFT correspondence

Up next: some new results from
[Gehrmann, GK, Lukyanov'24]

Generalization of ODE

Re-write Schrödinger equation as:

$$\left[-\partial_y^2 + p^2 + e^{(n+r)y} - \tilde{E}^r e^{ry} \right] \Psi = 0$$

$\frac{\ell(\ell+1)}{x^2}$ $x^{2\alpha}$ E

New parameters:

$$r = 1, 2, 3, \dots, \quad n > 0, \quad p, \quad \tilde{E}$$

Relation to old parameters

$$\alpha = \frac{n}{r}, \quad p = \frac{r}{2} \left(\ell + \frac{1}{2} \right), \quad \tilde{E} \propto E^{\frac{1}{r}}$$

and variables

$$y = \frac{2}{r} \log(x) + \frac{2}{n+r} \log\left(\frac{r}{2}\right), \quad \Psi = x^{-\frac{1}{2}} \psi,$$

Generalization of ODE

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

Extra term allowed to depend on \tilde{E} :

$$D_{\pm}(\tilde{E}^r) \mapsto D_{\pm}(\tilde{E})$$

$D_{\pm}(\tilde{E})$ can be introduced as connection coefficients of the ODE (to be discussed)

Key idea: choose δU such that **quantum Wronskian relation** is still satisfied:

$$e^{+\frac{2\pi i}{n+r}p} D_+(\tilde{q}^2 \tilde{E}) D_-(\tilde{E}) - e^{-\frac{2\pi i}{n+r}p} D_+(\tilde{E}) D_-(\tilde{q}^2 \tilde{E}) = e^{+\frac{2\pi i}{n+r}p} - e^{-\frac{2\pi i}{n+r}p}$$

with

$$\tilde{q}^{2r} = q^2 = e^{\frac{2r\pi i}{n+r}} \implies \tilde{q} = e^{\frac{i\pi A}{r} + \frac{i\pi}{n+r}} \quad \text{where} \quad A = 0, 1, 2, \dots, r-1$$

Quantum Wronskian relation requires [BLZ '98]

- Invariance of ODE under symmetry transformation

$$\hat{\Omega} : y \mapsto y + \frac{2\pi i}{n+r}, \quad \tilde{E} \mapsto \tilde{q}^{-2} \tilde{E}$$

- Decay of potential at $y \rightarrow -\infty$

$$\lim_{y \rightarrow -\infty} \delta U(y) = 0$$

Definition of $D_{\pm}(\tilde{E})$ and proof of quantum Wronskian relation given in a moment ...

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

with

$$\delta U(y) = \sum_{(\mu,j) \in \Xi_{r,A}} c_{\mu,j} \tilde{E}^\mu e^{((A\mu-rj)\frac{n+r}{r} + \mu)y} \quad (\mu, j \text{ integers})$$

- A integer such that $A = 0, 1, 2, \dots, r-1$
- $c_{\mu,j}$ arbitrary continuous parameters
- $\Xi_{r,A}$ certain **non-negative integer** set fixed by requirements:

$$\lim_{y \rightarrow -\infty} \delta U(y) = 0, \quad \lim_{y \rightarrow \infty} e^{-(n+r)y} \delta U(y) = 0 \quad (\forall n > 0)$$

(second condition imposed so that addition of $\delta U(y)$ in ODE is perturbation)

The set $\Xi_{r,A}$

In general,

$$\lceil \frac{r+1}{4} \rceil \leq |\Xi_{r,A}| \leq \lceil \frac{r-1}{2} \rceil$$

- For $A = 1, 2, \dots, r-2$:

$$\Xi_{r,A} = \left\{ (\mu, j) : \frac{j}{A} < \mu < \frac{r}{A+1} (j+1) \ \& \ j \geq 0 \right\}$$

- For $A = 0$:

$$\Xi_{r,0} = \left\{ (\mu, j) : \mu = 1, 2, \dots, r-1 \ \& \ j = 0 \right\}$$

- For $A = r-1$:

$$\Xi_{r,r-1} = \left\{ (\mu, j) : \mu = j+1 \ \& \ j = 0, 1, \dots, r-2 \right\}$$

Definition of $D_{\pm}(\tilde{E})$

$$\left[-\partial_y^2 + p^2 + e^{(n+r)y} - (-1)^A \tilde{E}^r e^{ry} - \delta U(y) \right] \Psi = 0 \quad \text{with} \quad \lim_{y \rightarrow -\infty} \delta U(y) = 0$$

- Introduce two solutions defined near $y = -\infty$:

$$\psi_+(y) \rightarrow e^{py} \quad \text{as} \quad y \rightarrow -\infty, \quad \psi_- = \psi_+(y| - p)$$

- Introduce decaying solution via WKB asymptotic:

$$\chi \asymp \exp\left(-\frac{n+r}{4}y - \frac{2}{n+r}e^{\frac{n+r}{2}y} + \dots\right) \quad \text{as} \quad y \rightarrow +\infty$$

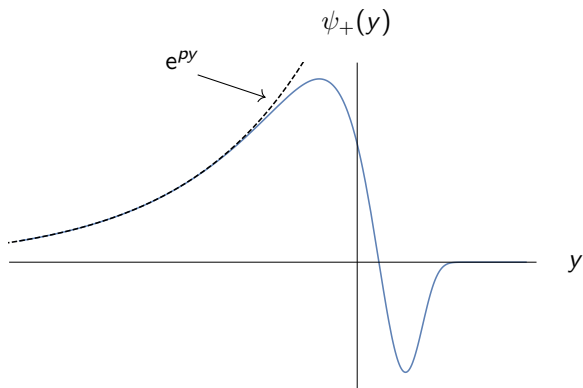
- Then

$$D_{\pm}(\tilde{E}) = \frac{\sqrt{\pi}}{\Gamma(1 \pm \frac{2p}{n+r})} (n+r)^{-\frac{1}{2} \mp \frac{2p}{n+r}} W[\chi, \psi_{\pm}], \quad D_{\pm}(0) = 1,$$

where $W[f, g] = f \partial_y g - g \partial_y f$ is the Wronskian

Connection to spectral determinant

$$D_+(\tilde{E}_*) = 0 \quad \Longrightarrow \quad W[\chi, \psi_+] = 0$$



$\Longrightarrow \exists$ normalizable solution, i.e., E_* is an 'eigenvalue' of the linear ODE

Proof of quantum Wronskian relation [BLZ'98]

For ODE

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

invariant under symmetry transformation

$$\hat{\Omega} : y \mapsto y + \frac{2\pi i}{n+r}, \quad \tilde{E} \mapsto \tilde{q}^{-2} \tilde{E}$$

quantum Wronskian relation is proved in three steps

(i) Expand χ into basis defined near $y \rightarrow -\infty$

$$\chi = B_+ \psi_+ - B_- \psi_-$$

(ii) Apply $\hat{\Omega}$ to both sides:

$$\hat{\Omega} \circ \chi = B'_+ \hat{\Omega} \circ \psi_+ + B'_- \hat{\Omega} \circ \psi_-$$

(iii) Compute Wronskian of χ and $\hat{\Omega} \circ \chi$

Proof of quantum Wronskian relation for $D_{\pm}(E)$

(i) Connection coefficient expressing χ in terms of ψ_{\pm} are the Wronskians

$$\chi = \frac{1}{2p} \left(W_+(\tilde{E}) \psi_- - W_-(\tilde{E}) \psi_+ \right) \quad \text{with} \quad W_{\pm} = \chi \partial_y \psi_{\pm} - \psi_{\pm} \partial_y \chi$$

(ii) Since $\psi_+ \sim e^{py}$ one has

$$\hat{\Omega} \circ \psi_+ = e^{+\frac{2\pi i}{n+r} p} \psi_+ \quad \text{and similarly} \quad \hat{\Omega} \circ \psi_- = e^{-\frac{2\pi i}{n+r} p} \psi_-$$

This way

$$\hat{\Omega} \circ \chi = \frac{1}{2p} \left(e^{-\frac{2\pi i}{n+r} p} W_+(\tilde{q}^{-2} \tilde{E}) \psi_- - e^{+\frac{2\pi i}{n+r} p} W_-(\tilde{q}^{-2} \tilde{E}) \psi_+ \right)$$

Proof of quantum Wronskian relation for $D_{\pm}(E)$

(iii) Compute Wronskian of χ and $\hat{\Omega} \circ \chi$ in two ways:

- At large y via asymptotic formulae

$$\begin{aligned}\chi &\asymp \exp\left(-\frac{n+r}{4}y - \frac{2}{n+r}e^{\frac{n+r}{2}y} + \dots\right) \\ \hat{\Omega} \circ \chi &\asymp -i \exp\left(-\frac{n+r}{4}y + \frac{2}{n+r}e^{\frac{n+r}{2}y} + \dots\right)\end{aligned}\quad \Rightarrow \quad W[\chi, \hat{\Omega} \circ \chi] = -2i$$

- With χ and $\hat{\Omega} \circ \chi$ expressed in terms of $\psi_{\pm} \Rightarrow$

$$W[\chi, \hat{\Omega} \circ \chi] = -\frac{1}{2p} \left(e^{+\frac{2\pi i}{n+r}p} W_+(\tilde{E}) W_-(\tilde{q}^{-2}\tilde{E}) - e^{-\frac{2\pi i}{n+r}p} W_-(\tilde{E}) W_+(\tilde{q}^{-2}\tilde{E}) \right)$$

$$e^{+\frac{2\pi i}{n+r}p} D_+(\tilde{q}^2\tilde{E}) D_-(\tilde{E}) - e^{-\frac{2\pi i}{n+r}p} D_+(\tilde{E}) D_-(\tilde{q}^2\tilde{E}) = e^{+\frac{2\pi i}{n+r}p} - e^{-\frac{2\pi i}{n+r}p}$$

$$D_{\pm} = C_{\pm} W_{\pm} \quad \text{and} \quad C_{\pm} = \sqrt{\pi} (n+r)^{-\frac{1}{2} \mp \frac{2p}{n+r}} / \Gamma(1 \pm \frac{2p}{n+r})$$

What about the IQFT?

ODE



IQFT



Correspondence



For ODE with **general** $A = 0, 1, 2, \dots, r - 1$ we have not discussed (if it even exists):

- (i) Extended algebra of conformal symmetry
- (ii) Construction of local/non-local IM
- (iii) ODEs for excited states

Full answers are **currently unknown** except for ODE with $A = r - 1$ studied in context of **generalized $\mathfrak{sl}(2)$ affine Gaudin model** [Kotousov, Lukyanov '21]

Lattice regularization

Main result of [Gehrmann, GK, Lukyanov'24] concerns integrable, critical 'inhomogeneous XXZ spin- $\frac{1}{2}$ chain' (to be discussed in Gehrmann's talk):

$$D_{\pm}(\tilde{E}) = \text{slim}_{N \rightarrow \infty} A_{\pm}^{(N, \text{vac})}$$

Connection coefficients (spectral determinants) of ODE

Scaling limit of ground state eigenvalues of Q operators for spin chain

- Spin chain Q operators can be thought of as “lattice regularization” of field theory Q operator (provides indirect definition)
- Allows for an alternative way of studying the ODE/IQFT correspondence

Summary

- ODE/IQFT correspondence for massive 1 + 1D integrable QFT and classically integrable PDE
- UV limit $R/R_c \rightarrow 0$
 - (i) IM in (massive) IQFT become integrable structure in CFT
 - (ii) classical integrable PDE replaced by ODE
- ODE from [Gehrmann, GK, Lukyanov'24] that is expected to encode vacuum eigenvalues of new multiparametric integrable structure
- Connection to inhomogeneous XXZ spin- $\frac{1}{2}$ chain (to be discussed **in detail** in Gehrmann's talk)