

# Hirota equation and its solution through Q-operators / Q-functions

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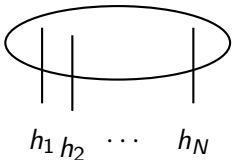
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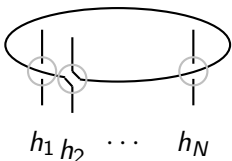
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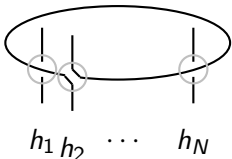
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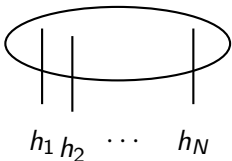
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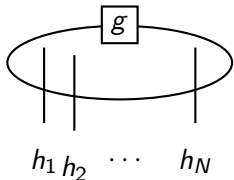
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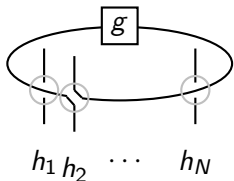
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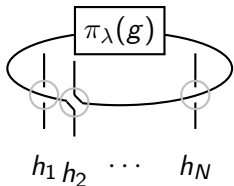
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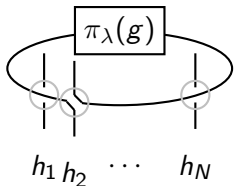
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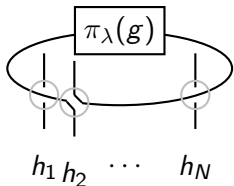
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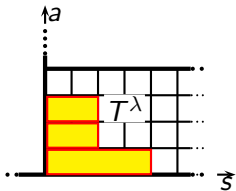
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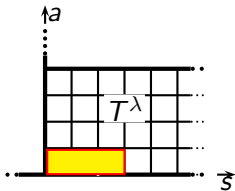
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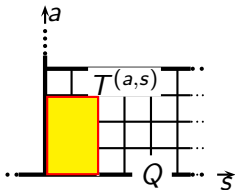
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## Construction of other commuting charges

if for all  $g, h \in GL(K|M)$ ,  $f(g) = f(h^{-1}gh)$  and  $\tilde{f}(g) = \tilde{f}(h^{-1}gh)$ ,

$$\text{then } \left[ \bigotimes_{i=1}^N (u - \theta_i + 2\hat{D})f(g), \bigotimes_{i=1}^N (v - \theta_i + 2\hat{D})\tilde{f}(g) \right] = 0$$

**Remark :**  linear combinations of  $T$ -operators.

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$$\hat{D} \otimes g = \mathcal{P}(1 \otimes g) \quad \text{and Leibniz rule :}$$

$$\hat{D} \otimes (f \cdot \tilde{f}) = [\mathbb{I} \otimes f] \cdot [\hat{D} \otimes \tilde{f}] + [\hat{D} \otimes f] \cdot [\mathbb{I} \otimes \tilde{f}]$$

$\rightsquigarrow$  compute any  $\hat{D} \otimes f(g)$

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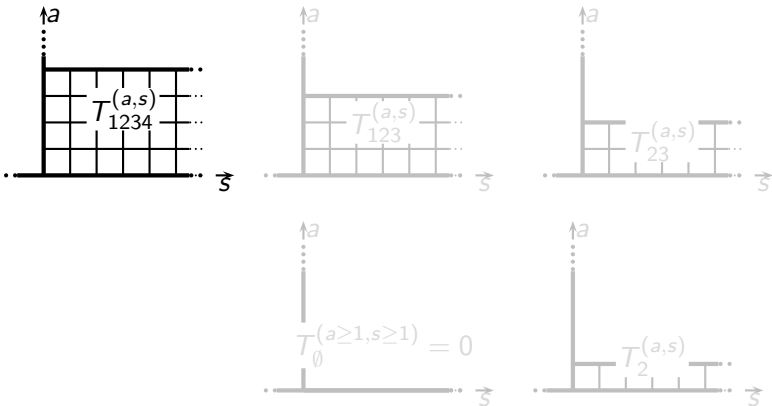
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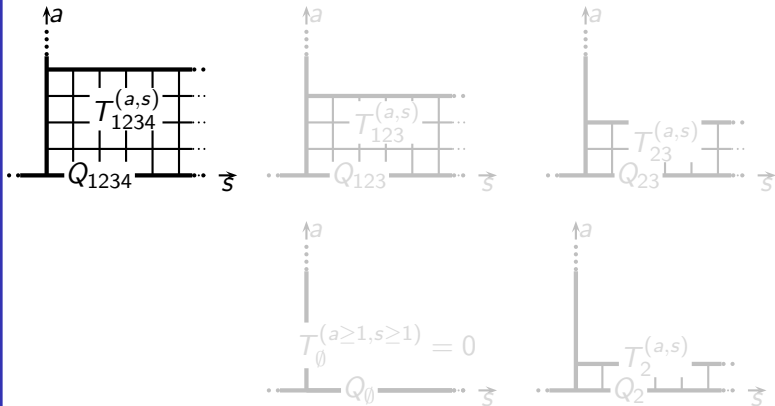
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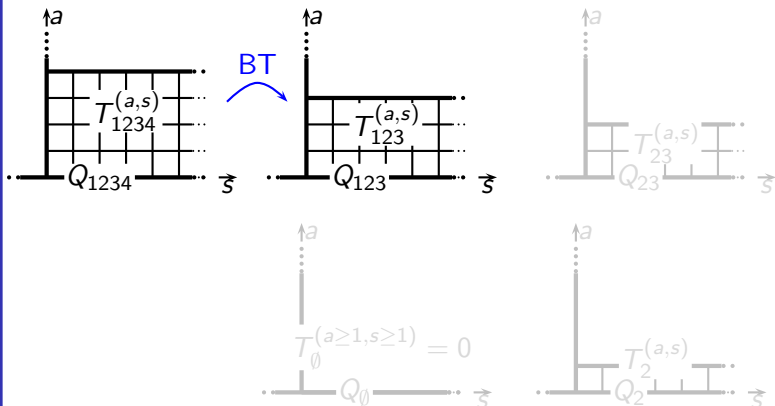
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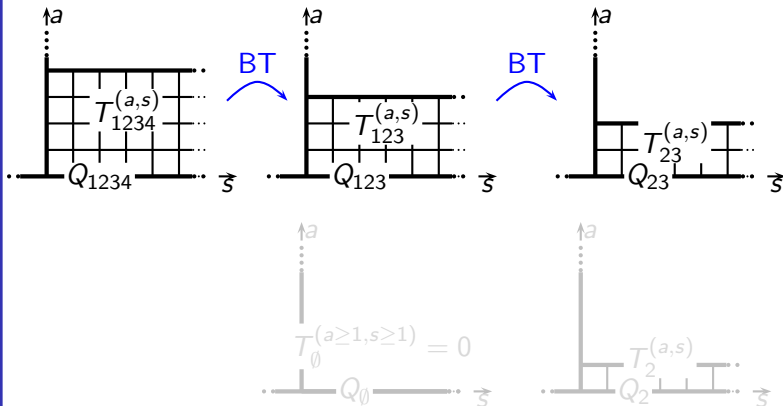
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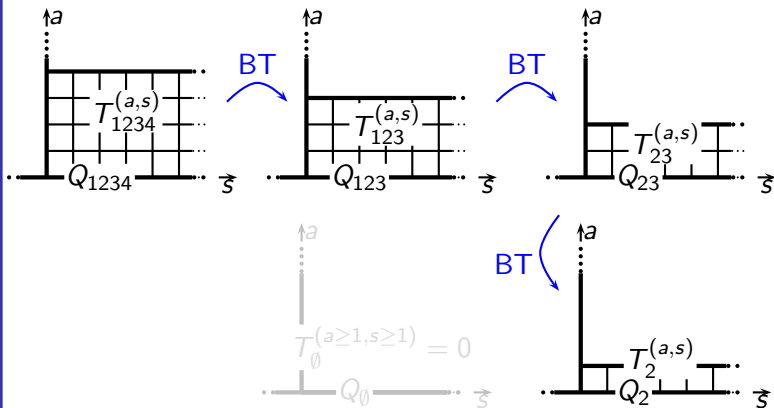
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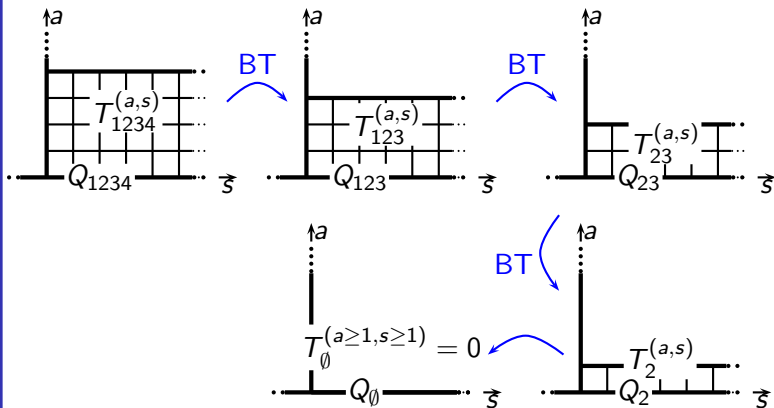
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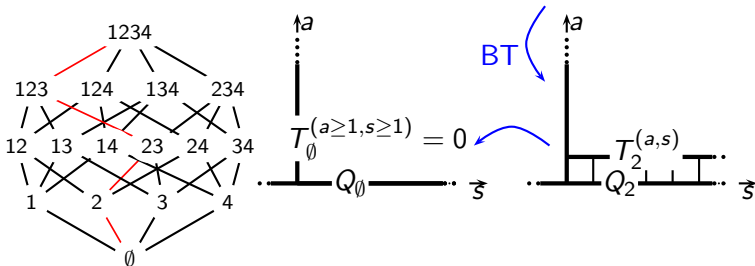
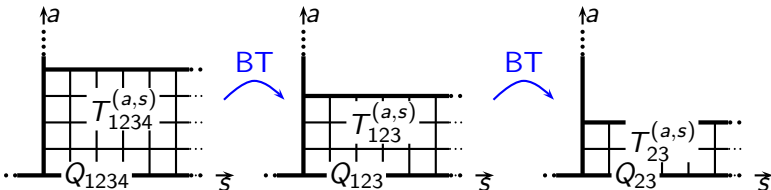
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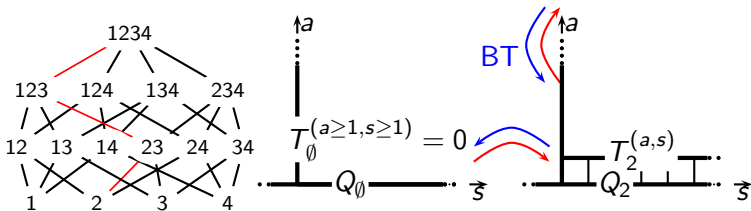
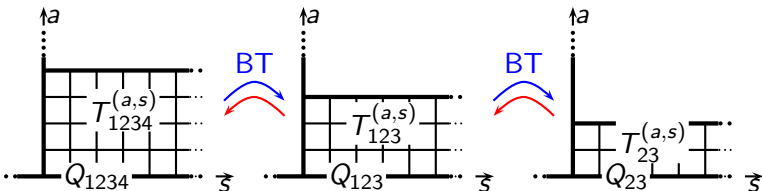
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One can algebraically check that

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## Remark

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On a given eigen-state,

$$Q_l(u) = c_l \prod_{k=1}^{K_l} (u - u_k^{(l)}),$$

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From TQ-relations

$$T_I^s(u) = \frac{\left| \begin{array}{c} \left( x_k^{|I|-1+s} Q_j(u+2s) \right)_{j \in I} \\ \left( x_j^{|I|-1-k} Q_j(u-2k) \right)_{\substack{j \in I \\ 1 \leq k \leq |I|-1}} \end{array} \right|}{Q_\emptyset(0)^{|I|-1} \det \left( x_j^{|I|-1-k} \right)_{\substack{j \in I \\ 0 \leq k \leq |I|-1}}}.$$

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$$T_I^{(a,s)}(u) = \frac{\det \left( x_j^{|I|-1-k+s\Theta} Q_j(u - 2k + 2s\Theta) \right)_{\substack{j \in I \\ 0 \leq k \leq |I|-1}}}{Q_\emptyset(0)^{|I|-1} \det \left( x_j^{|I|-1-k} \right)_{\substack{j \in I \\ 0 \leq k \leq |I|-1}}}$$

$$\Theta = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } k < a \\ 0 & \text{if } k \geq a \end{cases}$$

$$T_I^s(u) = \frac{1}{Q_\emptyset(0)^{|I|-1} \det \left( x_j^{|I|-1-k} \right)_{\substack{j \in I \\ 0 \leq k \leq |I|-1}}}.$$

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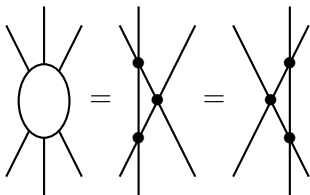
The principal chiral field (PCF) is a 1+1 D field theory on the cylinder  $0 \leq x < L$ ,  $t \in \mathbb{R}$

$$S_{\text{PCF}} = -\frac{1}{2e_0^2} \int dt dx \text{tr}(h^{-1} \partial_\alpha h)^2. \quad (1)$$

Where  $h \in SU(N)$

- $SU(N)_L \times SU(N)_R$  symmetry
- Integrable theory with rational  $\mathcal{S}$  matrix, of the form :

$$\chi_{\text{CDD}}(u) \cdot S_0(u) \frac{\hat{R}(u)}{u-i} \otimes S_0(u) \frac{\hat{R}(u)}{u-i}$$



[Zamolodchikov, Zamolodchikov 79]

[Berg, Marowski, Weisz, Kurak 78]

[Wiegmann 84]

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Spatial periodicity  $L$   
time-periodicity  $R \rightarrow \infty$ :  
Path integral dominated by Ground  
state  $Z \sim e^{-RE_0(L)}$

Spatial periodicity  $R \rightarrow \infty$   
time-periodicity  $L$  (finite  
temperature)

$$\text{free Energy : } f(L) = E_0(L)$$

# Solution for large spatial period $L$

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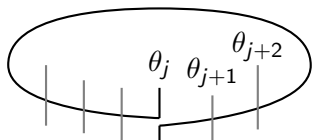
- solutions described by particles having rapidities  $\theta_j$ :

$$p_j = m_j \sinh\left(\frac{2\pi}{N} \theta_j\right), \quad E = \sum_{j=1}^N E_j = \sum_{j=1}^N m_j \cosh\left(\frac{2\pi}{N} \theta_j\right)$$

- bound states with mass  $m_a = m \frac{\sin \frac{a\pi}{N}}{\sin \frac{\pi}{N}}$

- periodicity condition

$$e^{-imR \sinh(\pi\theta_j)} = -S(\theta_j) \frac{Q_{N-1}^R(\theta_j+i/2) Q_{N-1}^L(\theta_j+i/2)}{Q_{N-1}^R(\theta_j-i/2) Q_{N-1}^L(\theta_j-i/2)}$$



$$S(\theta) = \prod_j S_0^2(\theta - \theta_j) \chi_{CDD}(\theta - \theta_j)$$

- magnons  $1 = \frac{Q_{k-1}^R(u_j^{(k)} - i/2) Q_k^R(u_j^{(k)} + i) Q_{k+1}^R(u_j^{(k)} - i/2)}{Q_{k-1}^R(u_j^{(k)} + i/2) Q_k^R(u_j^{(k)} - i) Q_{k+1}^R(u_j^{(k)} + i/2)}$   
( $1 \leq k \leq N - 1$ )

# String hypothesis

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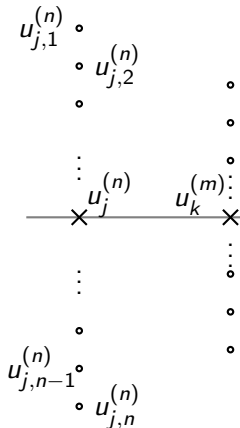
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- The Bethe equations imply that the large number of magnons roots are organized as strings.
- $u_{j,a}^{(n)} = u_j^{(n)} + i\frac{1}{2}(n+1) - ia, \quad a = 1, \dots, n.$
- Such strings scatter with a shifted product of the original matrix
- the right configuration (described by one density for each type of string) is identified by minimization of the free entropy.





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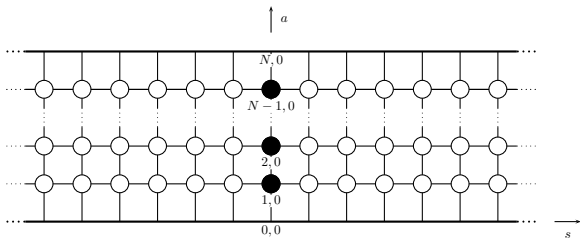
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$$Y_{a,s}^+ Y_{a,s}^- = \frac{1 + Y_{a,s+1}}{1 + (Y_{a+1,s})^{-1}} \frac{1 + Y_{a,s-1}}{1 + (Y_{a-1,s})^{-1}},$$

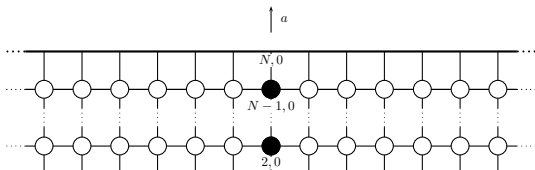
$$(a, s) \in \{1, 2, \dots, N-1\} \times \mathbb{Z}, \quad u \in \mathbb{C}, \quad f^\pm = f(u \pm i/2)$$

- $Y_{a,s} \underset{u \gg 1}{\sim} e^{-L\tilde{p}_a(u)\delta_{s,0}} \times \text{const}_{a,s}, \quad \tilde{p}_a = \cosh\left(\frac{2\pi}{N}u\right) \frac{\sin\left(\frac{a\pi}{N}\right)}{\sin\left(\frac{\pi}{N}\right)}$
- $Y_{0,s} = Y_{N,s} = \infty$
- $E = -\frac{1}{N} \sum_{a=1}^{N-1} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} p_a(u) \log(1 + Y_{a,0}(u)) du$
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## Hirota relation

If we define  $Y_{a,s} = \frac{T_{a,s+1} T_{a,s-1}}{T_{a+1,s} T_{a-1,s}}$ , then

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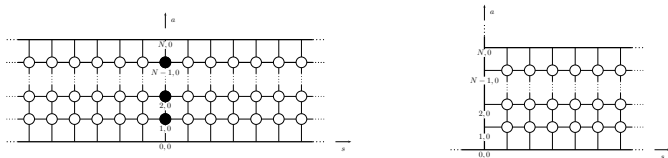
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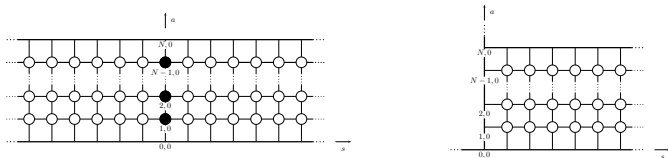
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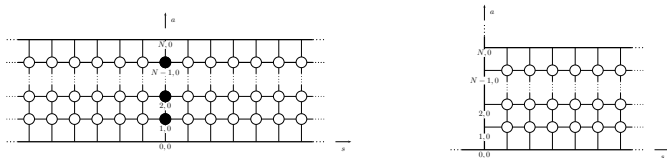
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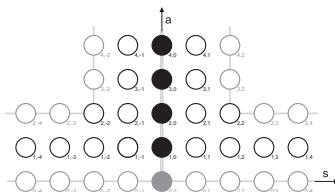
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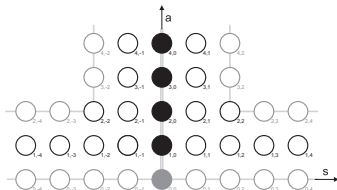
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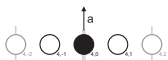
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# Outlook

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Q-functions

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