

# Hirota equation and Q-functions

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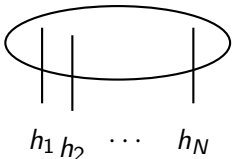
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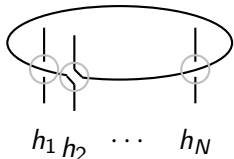
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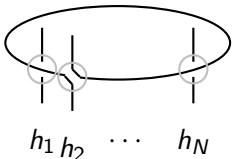
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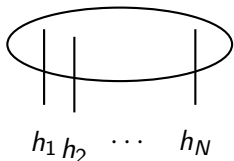
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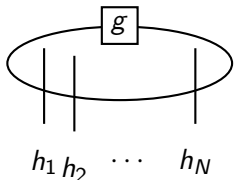
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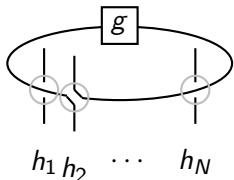
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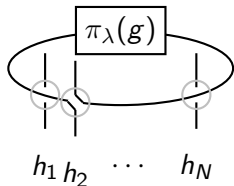
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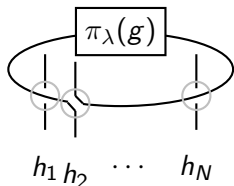
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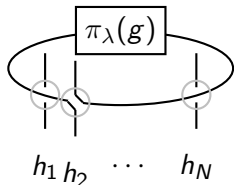
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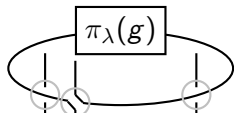
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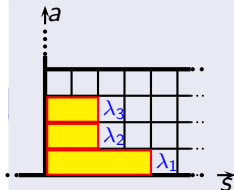
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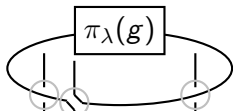
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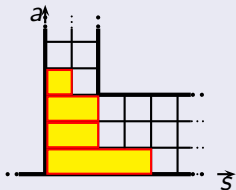
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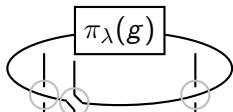
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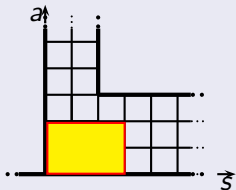
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$$T^{\{\lambda\}}(u) = \text{trace}_\lambda R_1(u) \otimes R_2(u) \otimes \cdots \otimes R_N(u) \pi_\lambda(g)$$

- $GL(K)$  characters obey the Weyl determinant formulae :

$$\chi^{\{\lambda\}} = \frac{|x_i^{\lambda_j}|_{1 \leq i, j \leq K}}{|x_i^j|_{1 \leq i, j \leq K}} \quad \chi^{\{\lambda\}} = |\chi^{(\lambda_j + i - j)}|_{1 \leq i, j \leq a}$$

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Every matrix satisfies the following identity involving determinants where rows/columns are removed:

$$\begin{vmatrix} a_{1,1} & a_{1,2} & \cdots & a_{1,N-1} & a_{1,N} \\ a_{2,1} & a_{2,2} & \cdots & a_{2,N-1} & a_{2,N} \\ \vdots & & \ddots & & \vdots \\ a_{N-1,1} & a_{N-1,2} & \cdots & a_{N-1,N-1} & a_{N-1,N} \\ a_{N,1} & a_{N,2} & \cdots & a_{N,N-1} & a_{N,N} \end{vmatrix} = \begin{vmatrix} \square & \square & \cdots & \square & \square \\ \square & a_{2,2} & \cdots & a_{2,N-1} & \square \\ \vdots & & \ddots & & \vdots \\ \square & a_{N-1,2} & \cdots & a_{N-1,N-1} & \square \\ \square & \square & \cdots & \square & \square \end{vmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{vmatrix} a_{1,1} & a_{1,2} & \cdots & a_{1,N-1} & \square \\ a_{2,1} & a_{2,2} & \cdots & a_{2,N-1} & \square \\ \vdots & & \ddots & & \vdots \\ a_{N-1,1} & a_{N-1,2} & \cdots & a_{N-1,N-1} & \square \\ \square & \square & \cdots & \square & \square \end{vmatrix} = \begin{vmatrix} \square & \square & \cdots & \square & \square \\ \square & a_{2,2} & \cdots & a_{2,N-1} & a_{2,N} \\ \vdots & & \ddots & & \vdots \\ \square & a_{N-1,2} & \cdots & a_{N-1,N-1} & a_{N-1,N} \\ \square & a_{N,2} & \cdots & a_{N,N-1} & a_{N,N} \end{vmatrix}$$

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and  $(Q(u) = T^{\emptyset}(u))$

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if  $T^{(a,s)}(u)$  is a solution of Hirota equation and

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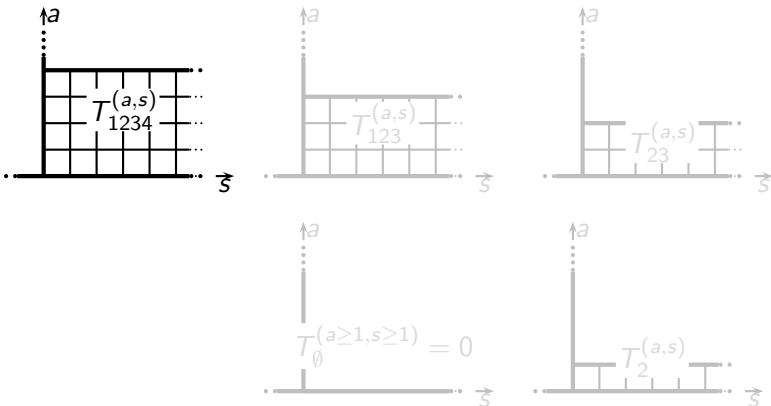
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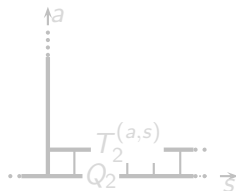
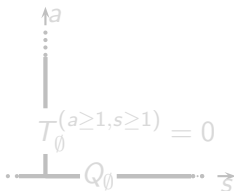
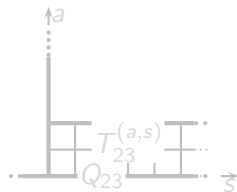
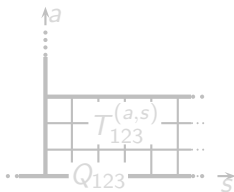
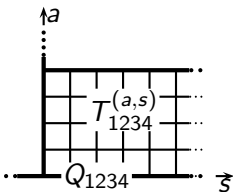
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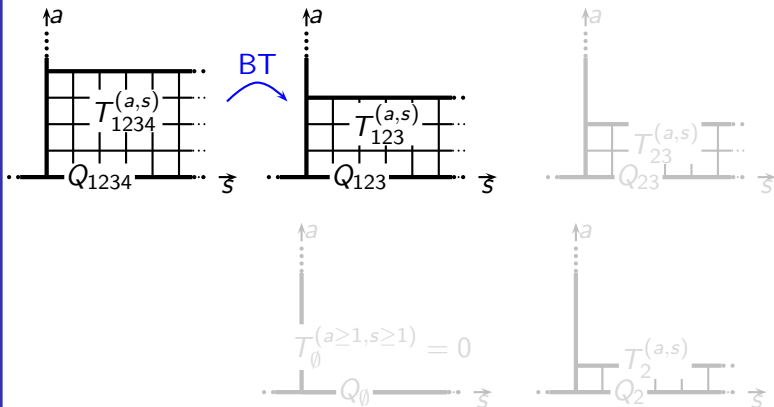
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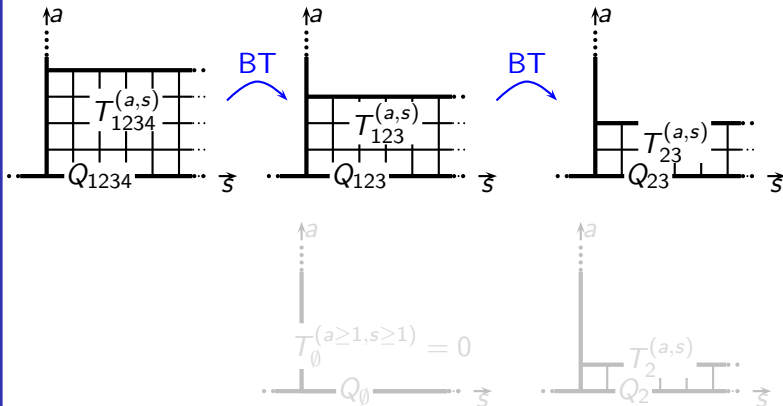
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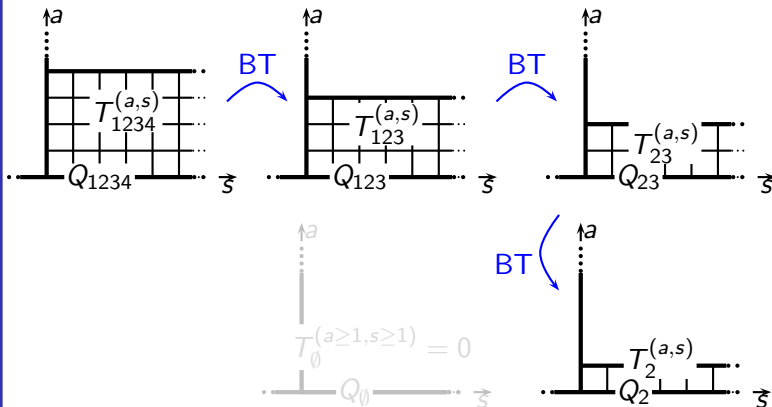
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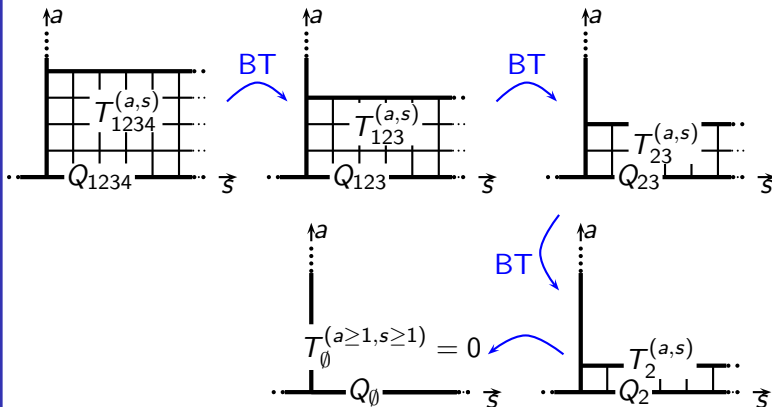
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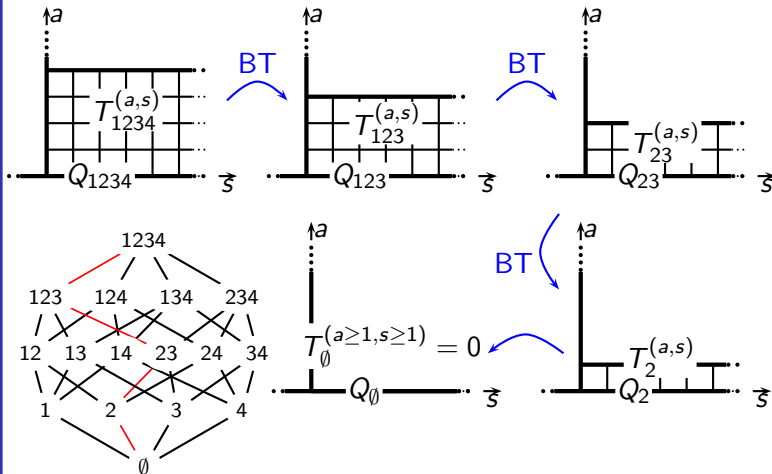
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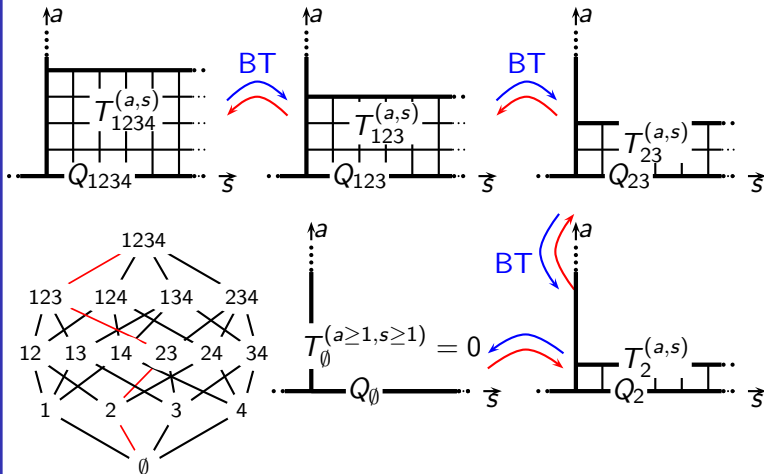
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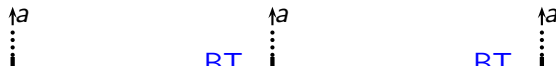
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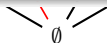


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[Baxter 72], [Pasquier Gaudin 92], [Bazhanov Lykhanov Zamolodchikov 96],  
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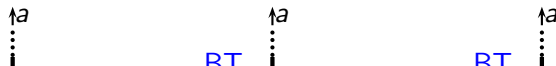
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[Derkachov, 99], [Dytsko, Teschner, 00], [Dazhnikov, Tasser, Lukowski, Meneghelli, Staudacher, 10], [Kazakov, Leurent, Tsuboi, 10]



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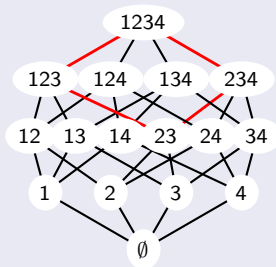
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example :  $l = \{23\}, i = 1, j = 4$

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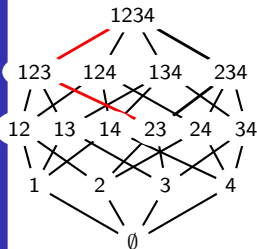
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for instance

$$Q_{123}(u) \mid x_1 Q_{23}(u - 2) Q_{1234}(u) Q_{123}(u + 2) \\ + x_4 Q_{23}(u) Q_{1234}(u + 2) Q_{123}(u - 2).$$

The relation involves 3  
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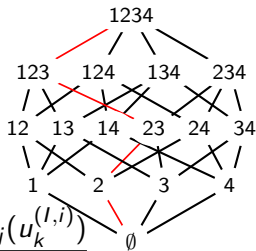
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On a given eigen-state,

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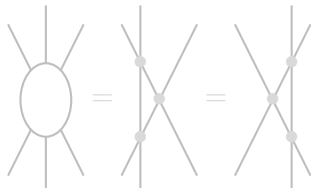
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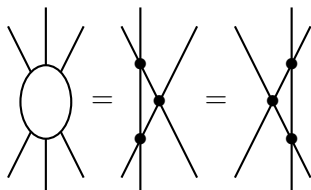
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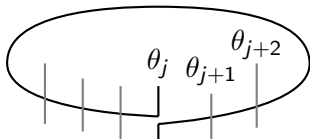
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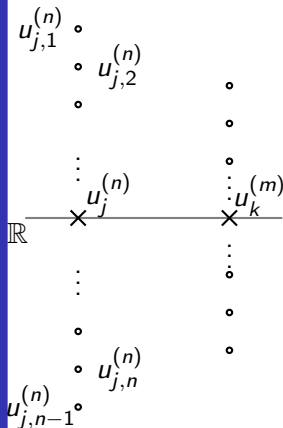
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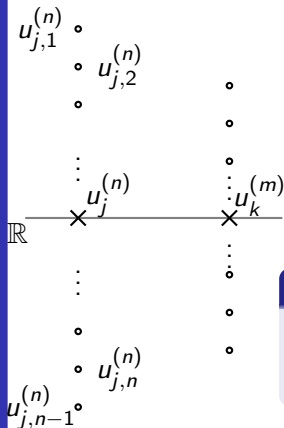
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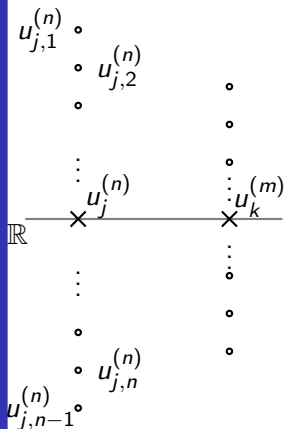
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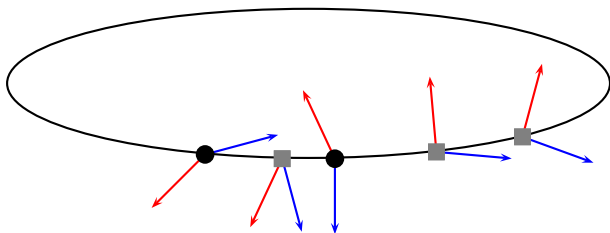
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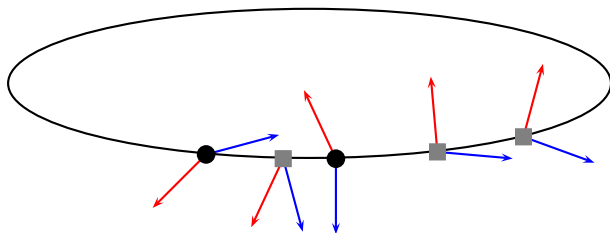
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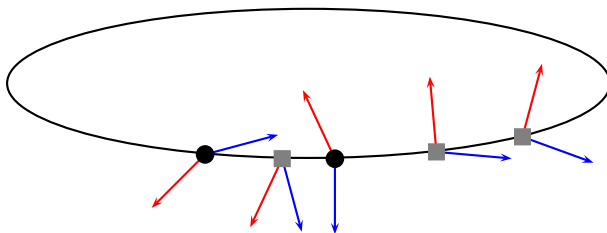
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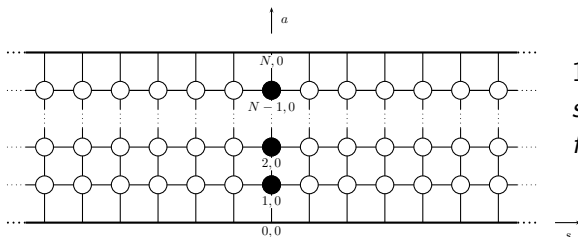
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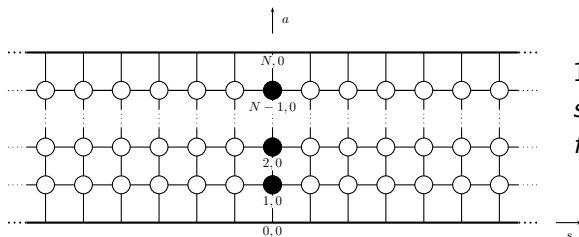
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## Origin

This comes from integral equations of the form

$$\log Y_{a,s} = \sum_{a',s'} K_{a,s}^{(a',s')} * \log(1 + Y_{a',s'})$$

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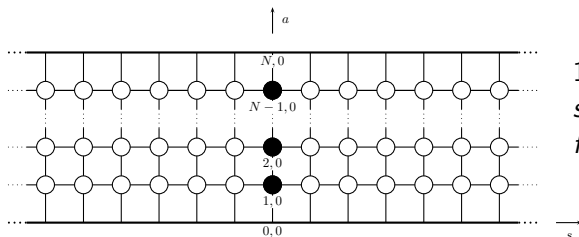
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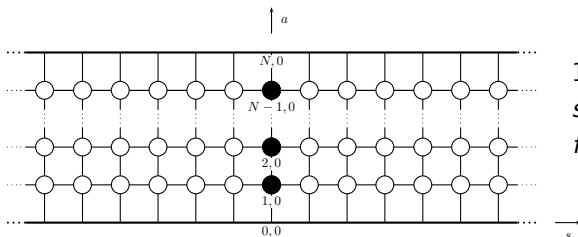
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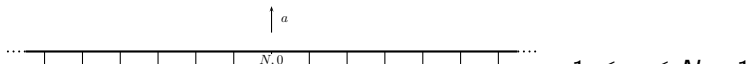
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## Claim for excited states

for excited states,

- the same Y-system equations hold
- the Y-functions have zeroes/poles which characterize the excitations

- there is a prescription for the integration contour in

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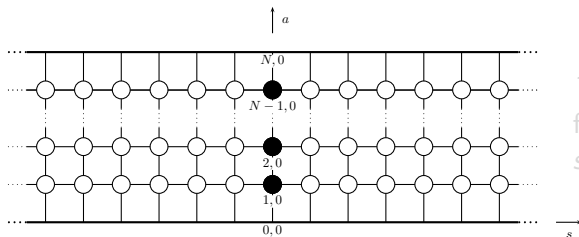
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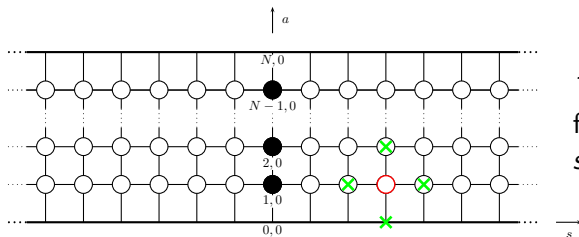
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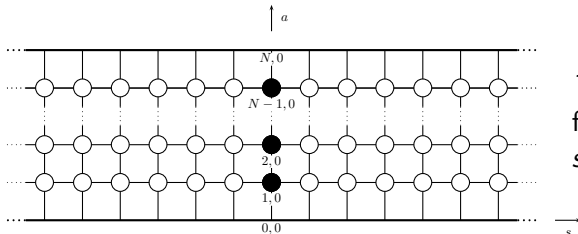
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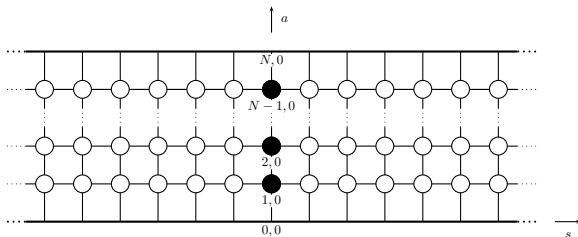
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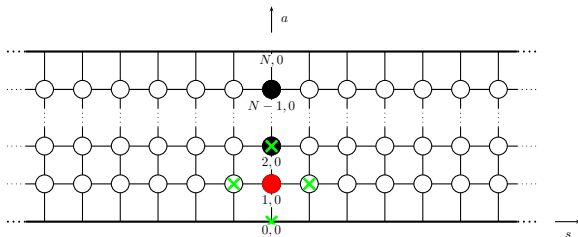
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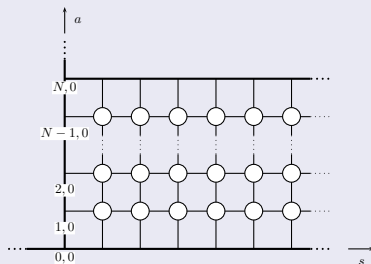
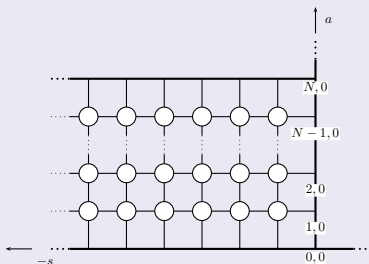
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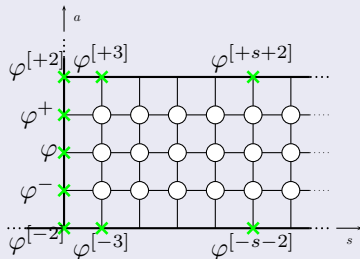
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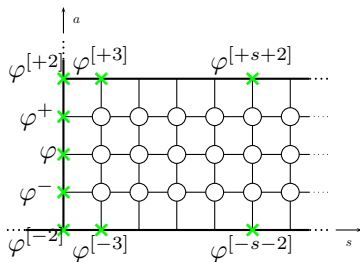
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only holds if  $|\text{Im}(u)| < \frac{N}{4}$

$\Rightarrow$  there exists strips (in  $\mathbb{C}$ ) where  $T \xrightarrow{L \rightarrow \infty}$  polynomial.

- At the boundary of this strip, the limit  $L \rightarrow \infty$  doesn't commute with analytic continuation (ie the limit  $L \rightarrow \infty$  isn't analytic)

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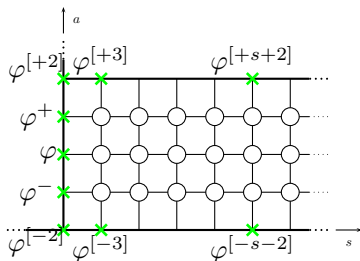
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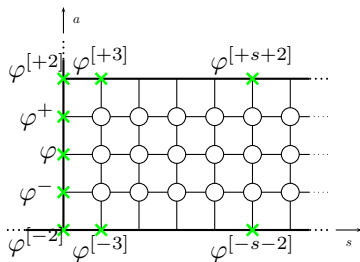
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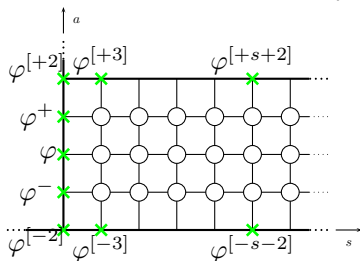
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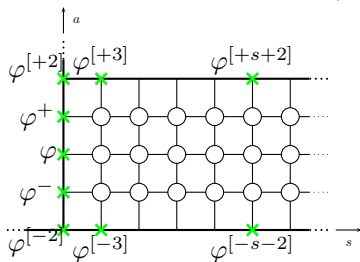
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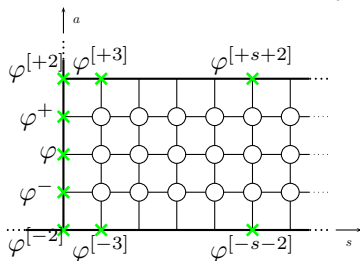
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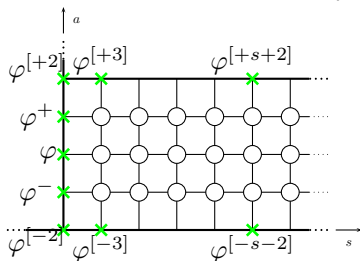
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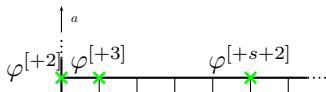
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**Claim : existence of analyticity strips**

There exists “analyticity strips”, in the complex plane, whose size may depend on  $(a, s)$ , where

- $T_{a,s} \xrightarrow{\text{Re}(u) \rightarrow \pm\infty} \text{polynomial}$
- $Y_{a,s} \xrightarrow{\text{Re}(u) \rightarrow \pm\infty} Y_{a,s}^{(\infty)}$
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Where the polynomial and  $Y^{(\infty)}$  are extracted from the infinite size Bethe-Equations.

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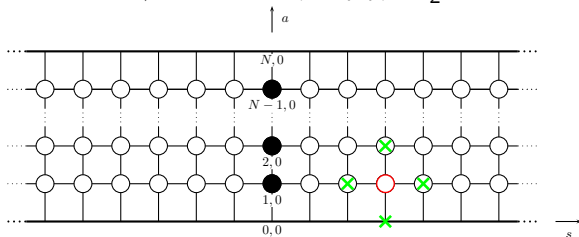
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The general (up to a gauge) solution of Hirota on this lattice is

$$T_{a,s} = \left| \begin{array}{c} \left( \bar{q}_j^{[s+a+1+\frac{N}{2}-2k]} \right)_{1 \leq j \leq N, 1 \leq k \leq a} \\ \left( q_j^{[-s+a+1+\frac{N}{2}-2k]} \right)_{1 \leq j \leq N, a < k \leq N} \end{array} \right|$$

- for spin-chains,  $q_j$  and  $\bar{q}_j$  would be equal, whereas for the full lattice, they are a priori independent.
- from the analyticity strip, it is very natural to expect that

$$q_i(u) \quad \text{is analytic when} \quad \text{Im}(u) < 1/2 \quad (1)$$

$$\bar{q}_i(u) \quad \text{is analytic when} \quad \text{Im}(u) > -1/2 \quad (2)$$

- the (polynomial) limit  $q_j(u) \xrightarrow{|u| \rightarrow \infty} P_j(u)$  is identified from the “asymptotic limit” (spin chain’s equations).

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$$\frac{1}{2i\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{\bar{q}_j(v) - q_j(v)}{u-v} dv = \begin{cases} \bar{q}_j(u) - P_j(u) & \text{if } \text{Im}(u) > 0 \\ q_j(u) - P_j(u) & \text{if } \text{Im}(u) < 0 \end{cases}$$

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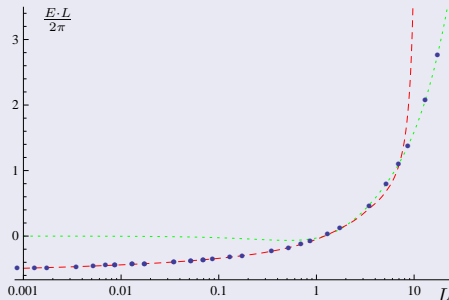
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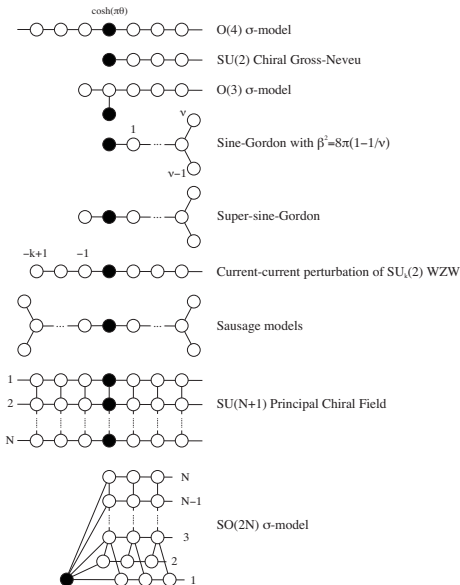
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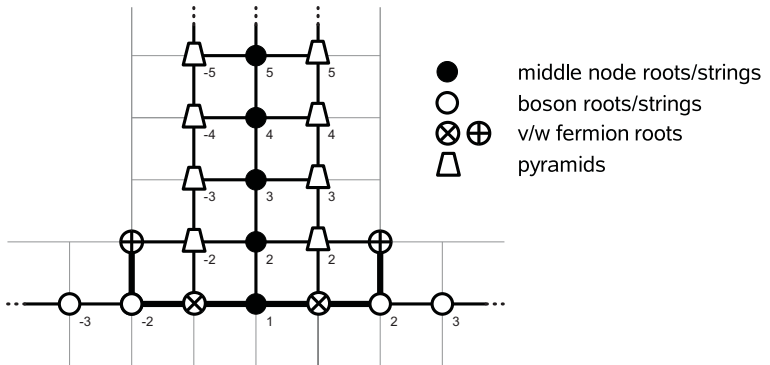
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- non relativistic dispersion relation :  $\epsilon_a(u) = a + \frac{2ig}{x[+a]} - \frac{2ig}{x[+a]}$   
where  $\frac{u}{g} = x + \frac{1}{x}$
- the mapping  $u \mapsto x$  has zhukowski cuts
- the hirota equation has a wronskian solution, which explains very well the analyticity strips
- infinite number of “middle nodes”
- different reality conditions

# Thanks !

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