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  - Main example here the integrable XXZ Hamiltonian

$$H(L) = J \sum_{j=-L/2+1}^{L/2} \left( \sigma_{j-1}^x \sigma_j^x + \sigma_{j-1}^y \sigma_j^y + \Delta (\sigma_{j-1}^z \sigma_j^z - 1) \right) - \frac{\hbar}{2} \sum_{j=-L/2+1}^{L/2} \sigma_j^z$$

$\Delta = (q + q^{-1})/2 = \text{ch}(\gamma)$ ,  $L$  even,  $\sigma_j^\alpha$ ,  $\alpha = x, y, z$ , Pauli matrices acting on factor  $j$  in  $(\mathbb{C}^d)^{\otimes L}$



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- Statistical mechanics and static correlation functions

- 1 Static correlation functions of local operators  $X, Y$

$$\langle X_1 Y_m \rangle = \lim_{L \rightarrow \infty} \text{Tr}\{e^{-H(L)/T} X_1 Y_m\} / Z$$

have been studied by means of the (reduced) density matrix

$$D_m(T) = \lim_{L \rightarrow \infty} \text{Tr}_{-L/2+1, \dots, 0, m+1, \dots, L/2} \{e^{-H(L)/T}\} / Z$$

$\in \text{End}(\mathbb{C}^d)^{\otimes m}$  well defined for every  $m \in \mathbb{N}$



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- Dynamical (= time-dependent) correlation functions  $\langle X_1(t) X_{m+1} \rangle$

- ① Most correlation functions encountered in experiments are of this type
- ② By definition the time dependence is

$$X_1(t) = e^{iH(L)t} X_1 e^{-iH(L)t}$$

Problem:  $X_1(t)$  is not a local operator, does not fit into the formalism based on reduced density matrix





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- ③ Alternative: Spectral (or Lehmann) representation. Keep  $L$  finite. Then

$$\begin{aligned} \langle X_1(t) Y_{m+1} \rangle &= \sum_k \frac{e^{-E_k/T}}{Z} \langle k | X_1(t) Y_{m+1} | k \rangle = \sum_{k,\ell} \frac{e^{-E_k/T}}{Z} \langle k | X_1(t) | \ell \rangle \langle \ell | Y_{m+1} | k \rangle \\ &= \sum_{k,\ell} \frac{e^{-E_k/T}}{Z} e^{-i((E_\ell - E_k)t - (\rho_\ell - \rho_k)m)} \langle k | X_1 | \ell \rangle \langle \ell | Y_1 | k \rangle \\ &\xrightarrow{T \rightarrow 0} \sum_\ell e^{-i((E_\ell - E_0)t - (\rho_\ell - \rho_0)m)} \boxed{\langle 0 | X_1 | \ell \rangle \langle \ell | Y_1 | 0 \rangle} \end{aligned}$$

- ④ Integrable case: eigenstates of  $H(L)$  are eigenstates of the transfer matrix
- ⑤ Matrix elements of the form  $\langle \ell | Y_1 | 0 \rangle$  are often called form factors. They can be calculated by 'integrable methods'
- ⑥ So far form factors are the only way to access dynamical correlation functions of integrable systems
- ⑦ Summation is a problem
- ⑧ Often interest is in asymptotic analysis e.g.  $m \rightarrow \infty, t \rightarrow \infty$



# Example of a factor series

- XXZ for  $\Delta > 1$ ,  $0 < h < h_\ell$  from DUGAVE, FG, KOZLOWSKI, SUZUKI 2015 based on Bethe Ansatz for finite  $L$ , then  $L \rightarrow \infty$

$$\langle \sigma_1^z \sigma_{m+1}^z(t) \rangle = \frac{(q^2; q^2)_\infty^4}{(-q^2; q^2)_\infty^4} (-1)^m + \sum_{l=0}^1 \sum_{n_h \in 2\mathbb{N}} \frac{(-1)^{lm}}{n_h!} \int_{-\pi/2}^{\pi/2} \frac{d^{n_h} \mathbf{v}}{(2\pi)^{n_h}} \mathcal{F}_l^{(2)}(\{\mathbf{v}_a\}_1^{n_h}) \exp\left\{i \sum_{a=1}^{n_h} [\varepsilon^{(0)}(\mathbf{v}_a)t - 2\pi\rho(\mathbf{v}_a)m]\right\}$$

Previous work: JIMBO, MIWA 95, LASHKEVICH 03

- where

$$\mathcal{F}_l^{(2)}(\{\mathbf{v}_a\}_1^{n_h}) = \frac{1}{n_h!} \oint_{\Gamma_\varepsilon(\{\mathbf{v}_a\})} \frac{d^{n_h} \Psi}{(2\pi i)^{n_h}} \cdot \frac{\mathfrak{F}_l^{(2)}(\{\mathbf{v}_{h_a}\}_1^{2n_h}; \{\Psi_a\}_1^{n_h})}{\prod_{a=1}^{n_h} \mathcal{Y}_0(\Psi_a | \{\Psi_b\}_1^{n_h}; \{\mathbf{v}_{h_c}\}_1^{2n_h})}$$

and

$$\Gamma_\varepsilon(\{\mathbf{v}_a\}) = \left\{ \Psi \in \mathbb{C}^{n_h} \mid \mathcal{Y}_0(\Psi_a | \{\Psi_b\}_1^{n_h}; \{\mathbf{v}_{h_c}\}_1^{2n_h}) = \varepsilon, a = 1, \dots, n_h \right\}$$

with  $\varepsilon > 0$  small enough



# Example large-distance asymptotics for equal times

- This (combined with a result of LASHKEVICH 03) allows one to obtain an explicit formula for the next-to-leading term in the asymptotics of the static longitudinal two-point function

$$\langle \sigma_1^z \sigma_{m+1}^z \rangle = \frac{(q^2; q^2)_\infty^4}{(-q^2; q^2)_\infty^4} (-1)^m + A \cdot \frac{k(q^2)^m}{m^2} \left( (-1)^m - \text{th}^2(\gamma/2) \frac{(q; q^2)_\infty^4}{(-q; q^2)_\infty^4} \right) (1 + \mathcal{O}(m^{-1}))$$

where

$$k(q^2) = \frac{\vartheta_2^2(0|q^2)}{\vartheta_3^2(0|q^2)}, \quad A = \frac{1}{\pi \text{sh}^2(\gamma/2)} \frac{(-q; q^2)_\infty^4}{(q^2; q^2)_\infty^2} \frac{(q^4; q^4, q^4)_\infty^8}{(q^2; q^4, q^4)_\infty^8}$$

generalizing the result of the correlation length of JOHNSON, KRINSKY AND MCCOY 73

- Time dependent case can be analyzed in a similar way



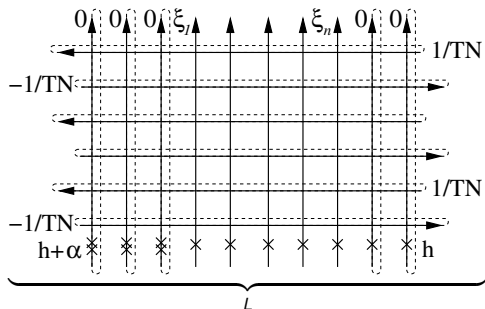
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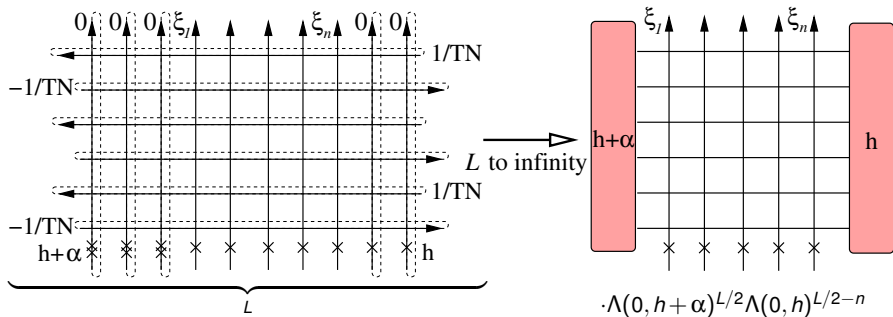
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$$\rightarrow D_{[1,n]}(\xi_1, \dots, \xi_n | T, h, \alpha, N) = \frac{\langle h + \alpha | T(\xi_1 | h) \otimes \dots \otimes T(\xi_n | h) | h \rangle}{\langle h + \alpha | \prod_{j=1}^n t(\xi_j | h) | h \rangle}$$

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- (\*) is a large-distance asymptotic expansion for static correlation functions at finite temperature. Expressions for  $A_{\ell}^{-+}$  in the Trotter limit  $N \rightarrow \infty$  were obtained in [DUGAVE, FG, KOZLOWSKI 2013]



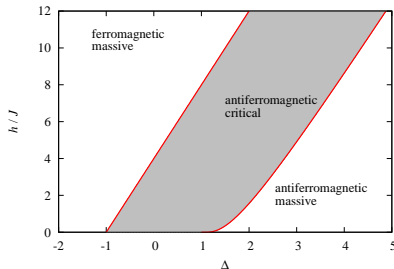
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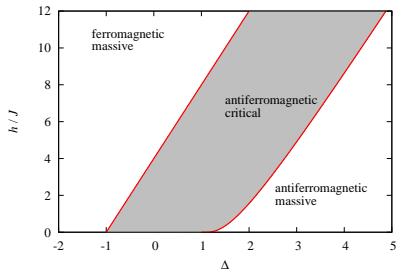


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- Large-distance asymptotics for  $T \rightarrow 0$  in the critical regime for  $|\Delta| < 1$  in [DUGAVE, FG, KOZLOWSKI 2013, 14]



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- Goal: analyse above equations in the Trotter limit  $N \rightarrow \infty$  for small  $T$ , for  $h$  below the lower critical field, and for fixed value of the 'spin'

$$s = N/2 - M$$



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- Logarithms: for every  $\delta > 0$

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- We keep in mind the following properties of these functions

$$K(x|\delta) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \frac{\text{sh}(2\delta)}{\text{sh}^2(\delta) + \sin^2(x)} > 0, \quad \text{for } x \in \mathbb{R}$$

$$K(x + \pi|\delta) = K(x|\delta), \quad K(-x|\delta) = K(x|\delta)$$

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- Using  $\theta$  we can define the function  $\ln a$  as

$$\ln a(x) = -\frac{\varepsilon_0^{(N)}(x)}{T} - \frac{N}{2}\theta(x + i\gamma/2 + i\beta/N) + \sum_{j=1}^M \theta(x - x_k^r)$$

where

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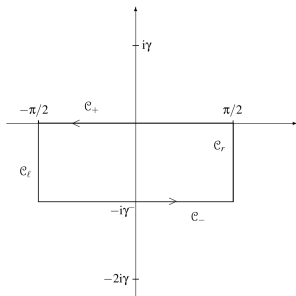
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- Contour  $\mathcal{C}$



$x_k^f$  far particle roots

$x_k^c$  close particle roots

$x_k^h$  hole roots

Singularities of  $\partial_x \ln(1 + a(x))$  inside  $\mathcal{C}$  are simple poles at  $x_k^f$  if  $x_k^f$  is not a particle root, at  $x_k^h$  and at  $-i(\gamma/2 + \beta/N)$



# Nonlinear integral equation and subsidiary conditions

- LEMMA. The auxiliary function  $\alpha$  satisfies the nonlinear integral equation

$$\begin{aligned} \ln \alpha(x) = & -\frac{\varepsilon_0^{(N)}(x)}{T} - \sum_{j=1}^{n_h} \theta(x - x_j^h) + \sum_{j=1}^{n_c} (\theta(x - x_j^c) + \theta(x - x_j^c + i\gamma)) \\ & + \sum_{j=1}^{n_f} \theta(x - x_j^f) + d\theta(x + \pi/2) + \int_{\mathcal{C}} dy K(x - y) \ln_{\mathcal{C}}(1 + \alpha)(y) \end{aligned}$$

This equation determines  $\alpha$  directly inside the strip  $-\gamma < \text{Im } x < 0$  and, by analytic continuation, in the entire complex plane. For  $x \in \mathcal{C}_{\pm}$  the integral term should be understood as an appropriate boundary value of a Cauchy-like operator

The particles and holes have to be determined such that they satisfy the subsidiary conditions

$$1 + \alpha(x_j^{h,p,f}) = 0$$

with  $x_j^{h,p,f}$  in their respective domains of definition

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$$d = \int_{\mathcal{C}} \frac{dy}{2\pi i} \partial_y \ln(1 + \alpha(y)) = n_h - 2n_c - n_f - s, \quad \ln_{\mathcal{C}} f(x) = \int_{\mathcal{C}_x} dy \partial_y \ln f(y)$$

Low- $T$  solution on the contour

- Send  $N \rightarrow \infty$  and switch notation

$$u(x) = -T \ln a(x)$$

- LEMMA. In the strip  $-\gamma < \text{Im } x \leq 0$  the nonlinear integral equations have self-consistent low-temperature solutions of the form

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- Dressed energy

$$\varepsilon(x) = \frac{h}{2} - \frac{4JK \operatorname{sh}(\gamma)}{\pi} \operatorname{dn} \left( \frac{2Kx}{\pi} \middle| k \right)$$

- Dressed phase

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# Functional equations

- $\Gamma_q$  is defined by the infinite product

$$\Gamma_q(x) = (1-q)^{1-x} \prod_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1-q^n}{1-q^{n+x-1}}$$

$q$ -numbers are defined as

$$[x]_q = \frac{1-q^x}{1-q}$$

Using  $q$ -numbers the fundamental recursion relation of the  $q$ - $\Gamma$  functions becomes

$$\Gamma_q(x+1) = [x]_q \Gamma_q(x), \quad \Gamma_q(1) = 1$$

It implies that the dressed phase obeys the functional equation

$$e^{\varphi(x_1, x_2) + \varphi(x_1 + i\gamma, x_2)} = \frac{\sin(x_1 - x_2)}{\sin(x_1 - x_2 + i\gamma)}$$

- The dressed energy obeys the simpler relation

$$\varepsilon(x) + \varepsilon(x + i\gamma) = h$$



## Auxiliary function in the entire complex plane

- LEMMA. Low-temperature form of the auxiliary function in the complex plane.

$$a(x) = \begin{cases} e^{-\frac{1}{T}(u_1(x)+u_1(x-i\gamma))} & \text{Im } x > \gamma \\ e^{-\frac{1}{T}u_1(x)} + e^{-\frac{1}{T}(u_1(x)+u_1(x-i\gamma))} & 0 < \text{Im } x < \gamma \\ e^{-\frac{1}{T}u_1(x)} & -\gamma < \text{Im } x < 0 \\ \left[ e^{\frac{1}{T}u_1(x)} + e^{\frac{1}{T}(u_1(x)+u_1(x+i\gamma))} \right]^{-1} & -2\gamma < \text{Im } x < -\gamma \\ e^{-\frac{1}{T}(u_1(x)+u_1(x+i\gamma))} & \text{Im } x < -2\gamma \end{cases}$$

up to multiplicative corrections of the form  $1 + \mathcal{O}(T^\infty)$  (in front of each exponent)

- This lemma allows us to discuss the subsidiary conditions for  $T \rightarrow 0$





## Using the functional equations

- There are only two independent functions occurring on the right hand side. These can be expressed in terms of special functions. For this purpose we split the far roots into two sets  $\{x_j^f\}_{j=1}^{n_f} = \{x_j^+\}_{j=1}^{n_+} \cup \{x_j^-\}_{j=1}^{n_-}$ , where the  $x_j^+$  have imaginary parts greater than  $\gamma$  while the  $x_j^-$  have imaginary parts less than  $-\gamma$ . Then

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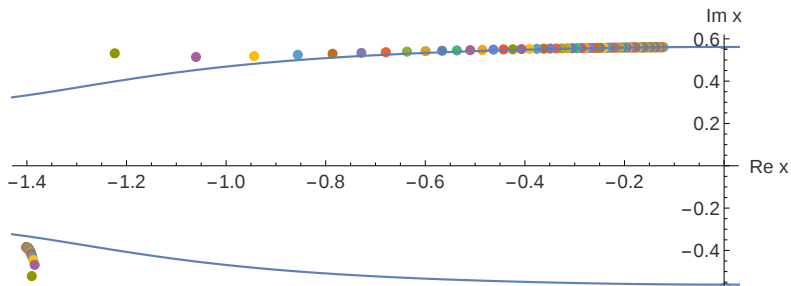
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## Example particle-hole pairs



Single particle-hole pair excitations ( $s = 0$ ,  $n_c = 1$ ) according to the higher-level Bethe Ansatz equations.  $T/J = 0.1$ ,  $h/h_\ell = 2/3$ ,  $\Delta = 1.7$ ,  $h_\ell/J = 0.76$ . Shown are particle-hole pairs for  $n = 1$  fixed and  $m$  running from  $-1$  to  $-70$ . The interaction with the particles slightly influences the hole position. The blue lines are the curves  $\text{Re} \varepsilon(x) = 0$ .



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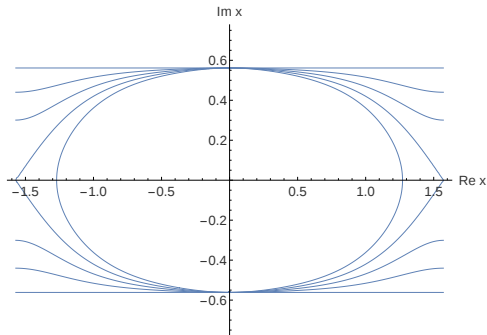
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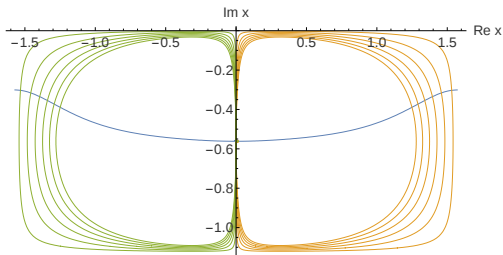
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Bethe roots of the dominant state depicted as the intersections of the curves  $\text{Re } \varepsilon(x) = 0$  and  $\text{Im } \varepsilon(x) = n\pi T$  for  $T/J = 0.01$ ,  $n = \pm 1, \pm 3, \dots, \pm 11$ ,  $h/h_\ell = 2/3$ ,  $\Delta = 1.7$ ,  $h_\ell/J = 0.76$

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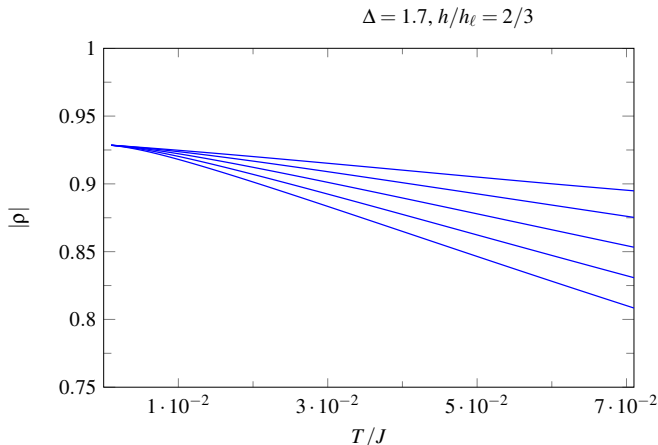
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The behaviour of  $|\rho|$  as a function of temperature for one hole and one particle. The particle and hole roots are obtained from the higher-level Bethe Ansatz for  $n = 1, m = -1, -3, -5, -7, -9$  (from top to bottom). The parameters are chosen as  $h/h_\ell = 2/3, \Delta = 1.7, h_\ell/J = 0.76, \alpha = 0$



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