

Last week : GKP-Witten relations

Motion of a BPS particle on $AdS_5 \times S^5$

This week : One-loop mixing in $\mathcal{N}=4$ SYM

Quantum integrable models

§ Overview

Unsolvable models →

Solvable models →

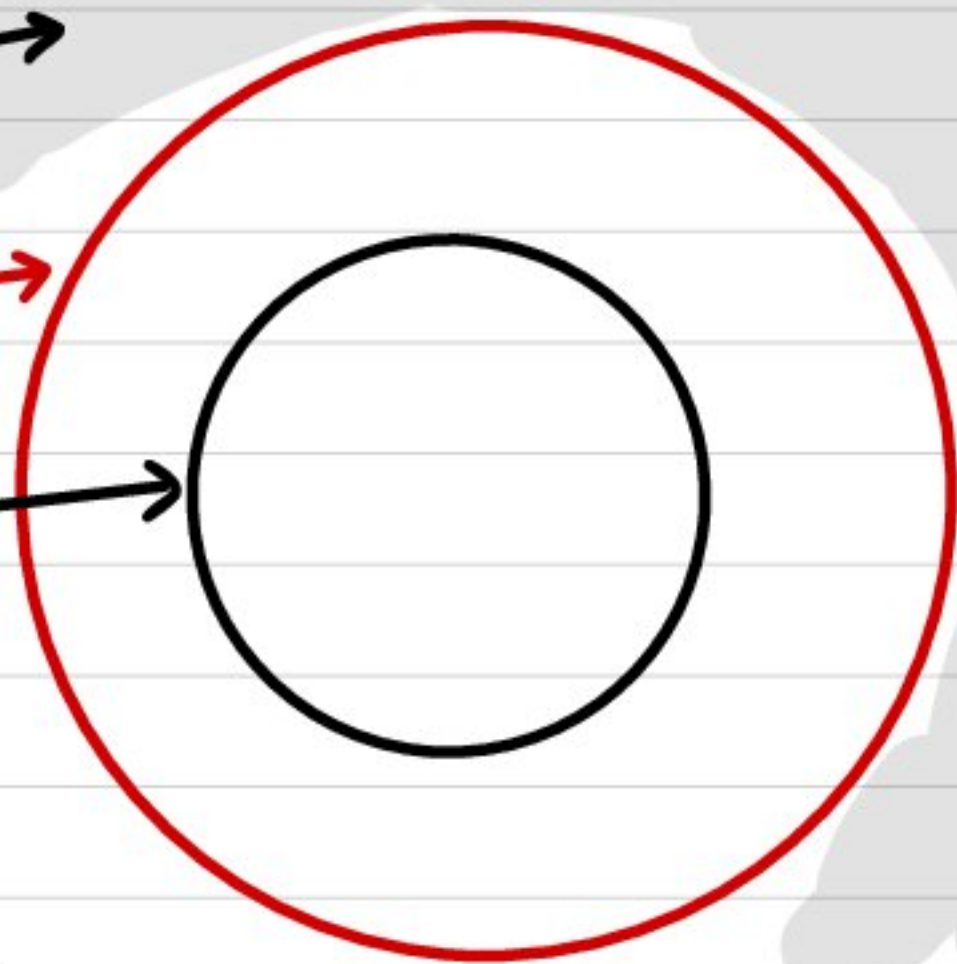
Solved models
(numerical values) →

free theory

conformal theory (gapless)

e.g. (gapped) WZW model ← free-field representation

integrable models (gapped)



Three hard questions :

1) What is "quantum integrable" or "exactly solvable"

Something related to Yang-Baxter Equations

2) How to test if a quantum system is integrable?

diagnostics : level-spacing statistics, ETH, ...

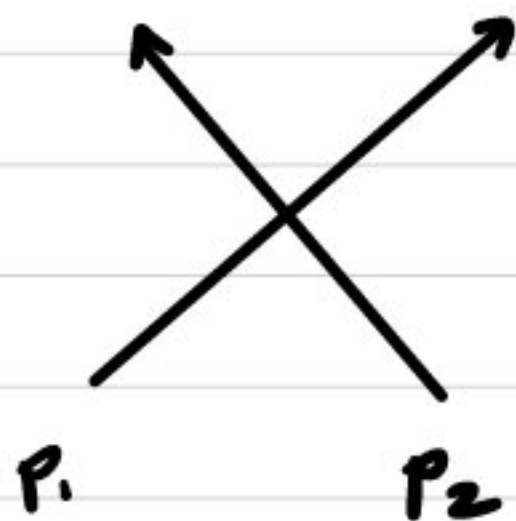
2) How is it related to QFT ?

based on S-matrix (on-shell scattering)

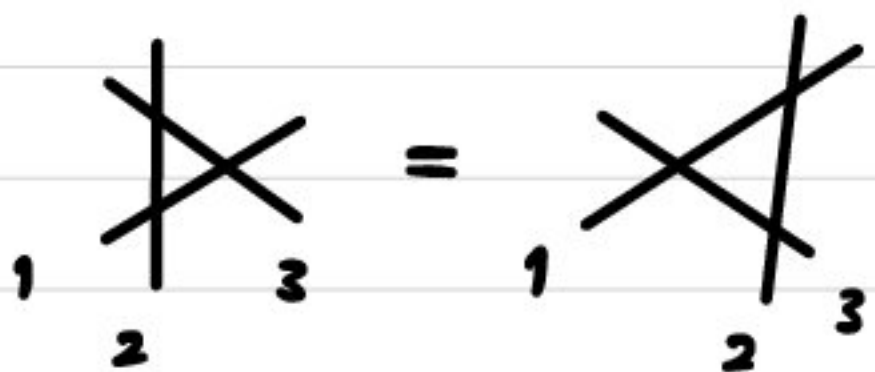
1) Definition of quantum integrability ;

no "axiom-style" definition

Something related to Yang-Baxter equation



$= R_{12}(p_1, p_2) : R\text{-matrix}$



$$\underline{R_{13}} \underline{R_{23}} \underline{R_{12}} = \underline{R_{12}} \underline{R_{23}} \underline{R_{13}}$$

: YBE

N.B. YB is not so useful if

- $R_{ij}(p, q) = \delta_{ij} e^{i\phi(p, q)} \rightarrow$ trivial solution

- $R_{ij}(p, q) = R_{ij}(\text{constant}) \rightarrow$ needs "Baxterization"

Energy is a sum of one-particle energy $E(p)$

$$E(p_1, p_2, \dots, p_N) = \sum_{i=1}^N E(p_i)$$

and the momenta are quantized:

$$\{p_i\} \in \mathbb{C}^N \longleftrightarrow \underbrace{\{n_i\}}_{\text{mode number (parameters)}} \in \mathbb{Z}$$

non linear 

2) Diagnostics of integrable systems

classical eom \longrightarrow Lax pair

one-parameter extension

hard to find!

quantum Hamiltonian \longrightarrow solution of YBE

hard to find!

Berry-Tabor conjecture : $\Delta E_n = E_{n+1} - E_n$ obeys
Poisson statistics

ETH conjecture : $\mathcal{O}_n = \langle n | \mathcal{O} | n \rangle$ is not smooth function
of the energy $E = E_n$

3) Often hard to compare QIM & QFT

QFT: Lagrangian \rightarrow Correlator \rightarrow S-matrix

QIM: Asymptotic states & factorized S-matrix

- no off-shell formulation w. spectral parameter

(Costello-Yamazaki-Witten for topological case)

- Correlator from form-factor expansion

$$\langle \mathcal{O}_1 \mathcal{O}_2 \rangle = \sum_n \langle 0 | \mathcal{O}_1 | n \rangle \langle n | \mathcal{O}_2 | 0 \rangle$$

(hard to compute & sum may diverge)

§ One-loop operator mixing in $\mathcal{N}=4$ SYM

[Minahan, 10/2.3983]

Lorentzian action of $\mathcal{N}=4$ SYM

$$S = \frac{-1}{2g_{\text{YM}}^2} \int d^4x \operatorname{tr} \left(\frac{F_{\mu\nu} F^{\mu\nu}}{2} + |D_\mu \Phi^I|^2 + \sum_{I < J} [\Phi^I, \Phi^J]^2 + \dots \right)$$

Euclidean action after rescaling

$$S_{\text{E}} = \int d^4x \operatorname{tr} \left(\frac{F_{\mu\nu}^2}{4} + \frac{|D_\mu \Phi_I|^2}{2} - \frac{g_{\text{YM}}^2}{2} \sum_{I < J} [\Phi^I, \Phi^J]^2 + \dots \right)$$

negative definite

Goal: planar one-loop mixing matrix in $SU(2)$ sector

$$\Delta = \Delta_0 + \Gamma, \quad \Gamma = \frac{N g_{YM}^2}{8\pi^2} \sum_{k=1}^L \left(I_{k,k+1} - P_{k,k+1} \right)$$

- Compute tree-level 2pt for real scalars
- Introduce single-trace operators in the $SU(2)$ sector
- Planar scalar exchange at one-loop
(using DREG, but regularization choice may be subtle)
- Fix the coefficient of $I_{k,k+1}$

If $L = \frac{1}{2} (\partial\phi)^2$ in 4D, the two-point function is

$$W[J] = \int D\phi e^{\int -\frac{1}{2} \partial\phi\partial\phi + J\phi} = e^{J\partial^{-2}J}$$

$$\langle \phi(x) \phi(0) \rangle = \int \frac{d^4 p}{(2\pi)^4} \frac{e^{i\vec{p}\vec{x}}}{|p|^2}$$

$$= \int \frac{d^4 p}{(2\pi)^4} \frac{1}{\Gamma(\alpha)} \int_0^\infty dt t^{\alpha-1} e^{i\vec{p}\vec{x} - t|p|^2} \quad (\alpha=1)$$

$$= \frac{1}{16\pi^4 \Gamma(\alpha)} \int_0^\infty dt t^{\alpha-3} e^{-\frac{|x|^2}{4t}} \quad u \equiv |x|^2/4t$$
$$\frac{du}{u} = -\frac{dt}{t}$$

$$\langle \phi(x) \phi(0) \rangle = \frac{1}{16\pi^2 \Gamma(\alpha)} \left(\frac{4}{|x|^2} \right)^{2-\alpha} \underbrace{\int_0^\infty du u^{1-\alpha} e^{-u}}_{\Gamma(1)}$$

$$= \frac{1}{4\pi^2 |x|^2}$$

Thus, $\mathcal{L} = \frac{1}{2} \text{tr} (D_\mu \Phi^I D^\mu \Phi^I)$

$$\Rightarrow \langle (\Phi^I)_a^b(x) (\Phi^J)_c^d(y) \rangle = \frac{\delta_a^d \delta_c^b}{4\pi^2 |x-y|^2}$$

$I, J = 1, 2, \dots, 6$, $a, b, c, d = 1, 2, \dots, N$

tree-level 2pt
for real scalars

Complex scalars :

$$Z = \frac{\phi^5 + \sqrt{-1} \phi^6}{\sqrt{2}}, \quad W = \frac{\phi^3 + \sqrt{-1} \phi^4}{\sqrt{2}}, \quad \dots$$

$$\frac{1}{2} |D_\mu \Phi^Z|^2 = D_\mu Z D^\mu \bar{Z} + D_\mu W D^\mu \bar{W} + \dots$$

$$\langle Z(x) \bar{Z}(y) \rangle = \frac{\langle \phi^5 \phi^5 \rangle + \langle \phi^6 \phi^6 \rangle}{2} = \frac{\delta_a^d \delta_c^b}{4\pi^2 |x-y|^2}$$

Composite operator: $(Z^L)_b^a \equiv \sum_{a_1, a_2, \dots}^N Z_{a_1}^a Z_{a_2}^{a_1} \dots Z_{b}^{a_{L-1}}$

$$c \xrightarrow{\bar{z}} c_1 \xrightarrow{\bar{z}} c_2 \dots \xrightarrow{\bar{z}} c_{L-1} \xrightarrow{\bar{z}} d$$



leading large N

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planar diagrams

$$a \xrightarrow{z} a_1 \xrightarrow{z} a_2 \dots \xrightarrow{z} a_{L-1} \xrightarrow{z} b$$



$$\langle (z^a a_1 z^{a_1} a_2 \dots z^{a_{L-1}} b) (\bar{z}^d c_{L-1} \dots \bar{z}^{c_2} c_1 \bar{z}^c) \rangle$$

$$= \delta_c^a \underbrace{\delta_{a_1}^{c_1} \delta_{c_1}^{a_1}}_N \underbrace{\delta_{a_2}^{c_2} \dots}_{N} \delta_d^b = \frac{N^{L-1} \delta_c^a \delta_d^b}{(4\pi^2)^L |x-y|^{2L}}$$

SU(2) sector

$$Q = \text{tr} \left(\underbrace{ZZ \dots Z}_m \underbrace{WW \dots W}_n \right) + (\text{permute } Z \leftrightarrow W)$$

"Konishi descendant" $Q_K = \text{tr} (ZZWW - ZWZW)$

SU(2) sector \sim HWS of global PSU(2,2|4) rep.
(+ SU(2) descendants)

representation $\&$ $\Delta_0 = m+n \Rightarrow$ no other operators
mix under (planar) perturbation of $\mathcal{N}=4$ SYM

Interaction:

$$S_E \sim \int d^4x \operatorname{tr} \left(\frac{1}{2} |D_\mu \Phi^I|^2 + V \right)$$

$$V = - \frac{g_{YM}^2}{2} \sum_{I < J} \operatorname{tr} \left(\Phi^I \Phi^J - \Phi^J \Phi^I \right)^2$$

$$= - g_{YM}^2 \sum_{I < J} \operatorname{tr} \left(\Phi^I \Phi^J \Phi^I \Phi^J - \underbrace{\Phi^I \Phi^J \Phi^J \Phi^I} \right)$$

responsible for

scalar exchange

$$Z W \rightarrow W Z, \text{ or } Z W \bar{W} \bar{Z}$$

Complex scalar notation : $(\phi^5)^2 + (\phi^6)^2 = z\bar{z} + \bar{z}z$

$$V \sim g_{\text{YM}}^2 \sum_{i < j} \text{tr} (\phi^i \phi^j \phi^j \phi^i)$$

$$= g_{\text{YM}}^2 \text{tr} (z W \bar{W} \bar{z} \quad : \text{leading at large } N$$

$$+ \bar{z} \bar{W} W z \quad : \text{wrong order}$$

$$+ z \bar{W} W \bar{z} + \bar{z} W \bar{W} z)$$

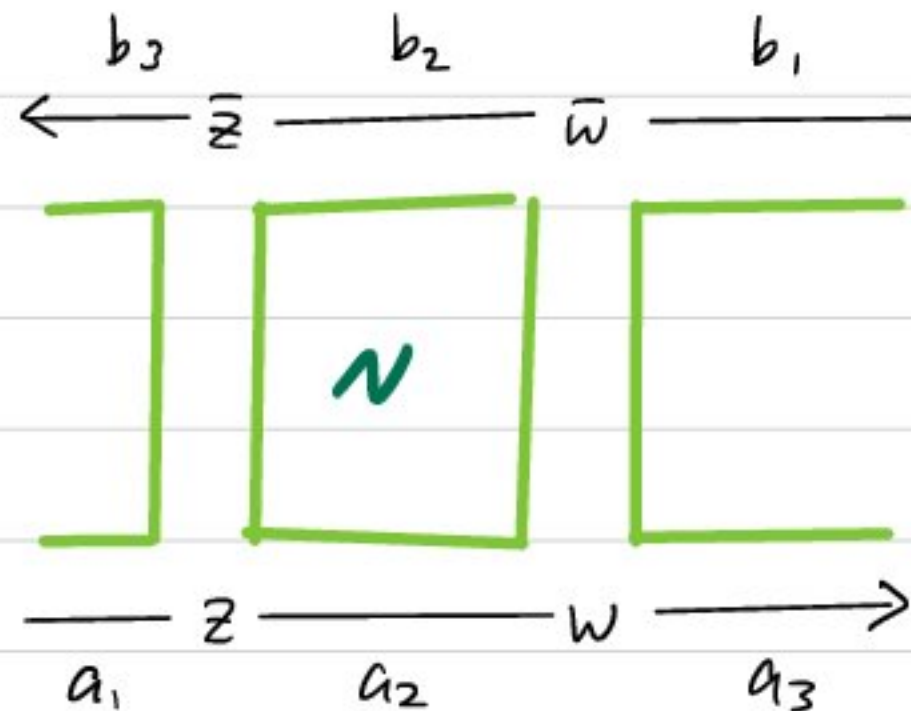
clearly not planar

$$\langle (Z^{a_1} W^{a_2} \bar{Z}^{a_3}) (\bar{W}^{b_1} \bar{Z}^{b_2} Z^{b_3}) (Z^{c_1} W^{c_2} \bar{W}^{c_3} \bar{Z}^{c_4}) \rangle$$

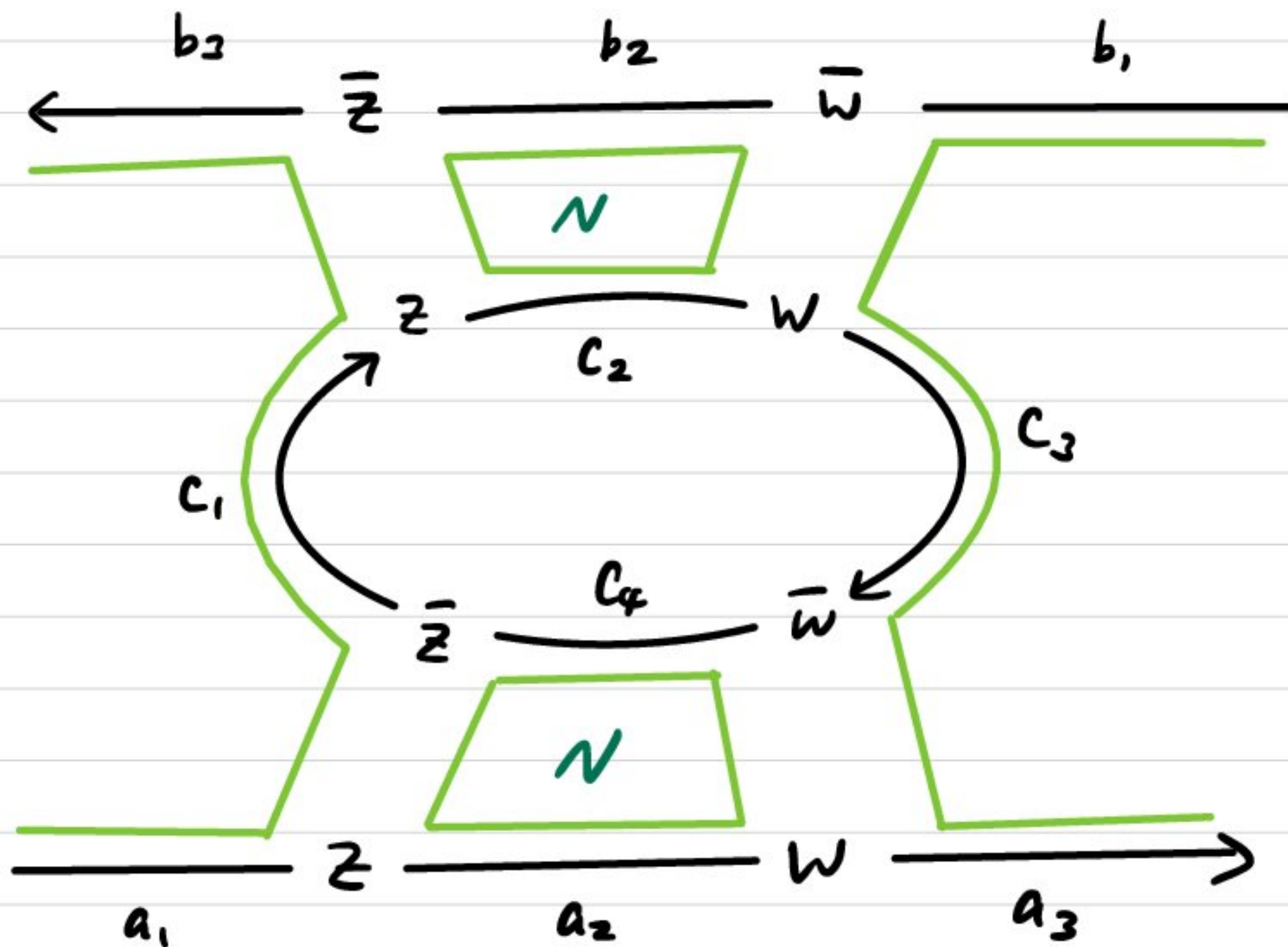
$$= \delta_{c_1}^{a_1} \delta_{a_2}^{c_4} \delta_{c_4}^{a_2} \delta_{a_3}^{c_3} \delta_{c_3}^{b_1} \delta_{b_2}^{c_2} \delta_{c_2}^{b_2} \delta_{b_3}^{c_1}$$

$$= \delta_{c_3}^{a_1} \delta_{a_3}^{b_1} N^2$$

tree-level
double-line
diagram



one-loop
double-line
diagram



$$\langle ZW(x) \cdot \bar{W}\bar{Z}(y) (1+V) \rangle$$

$$= \frac{N}{4\pi^2 |x-y|^4} \left\{ 1 + \frac{\lambda}{8\pi^2} \ln \Lambda^2 |x-y|^2 \right\}$$

Compare with general formula

$$\frac{1}{|x-y|^{2(\Delta_0+\gamma)}} \doteq \frac{1}{|x-y|^{2\Delta_0}} \left(1 - \gamma \log |x-y|^2 \right)$$

\Rightarrow scalar exchange contribution $\rho = -\frac{\lambda}{8\pi^2} \sum_k P_{k,k+1}$

If we remember the spacetime dependence,

$$\langle ZW(x) \cdot \bar{W}\bar{Z}(y) \cdot g_{\text{YM}}^2 \int d^4z \text{tr}(ZW\bar{W}\bar{Z})(z) \rangle$$

$$= \frac{N}{(4\pi^2)^2} \cdot \frac{N g_{\text{YM}}^2}{16\pi^4} \cdot \int d^4z \frac{1}{|z-x|^4 |z-y|^4}$$

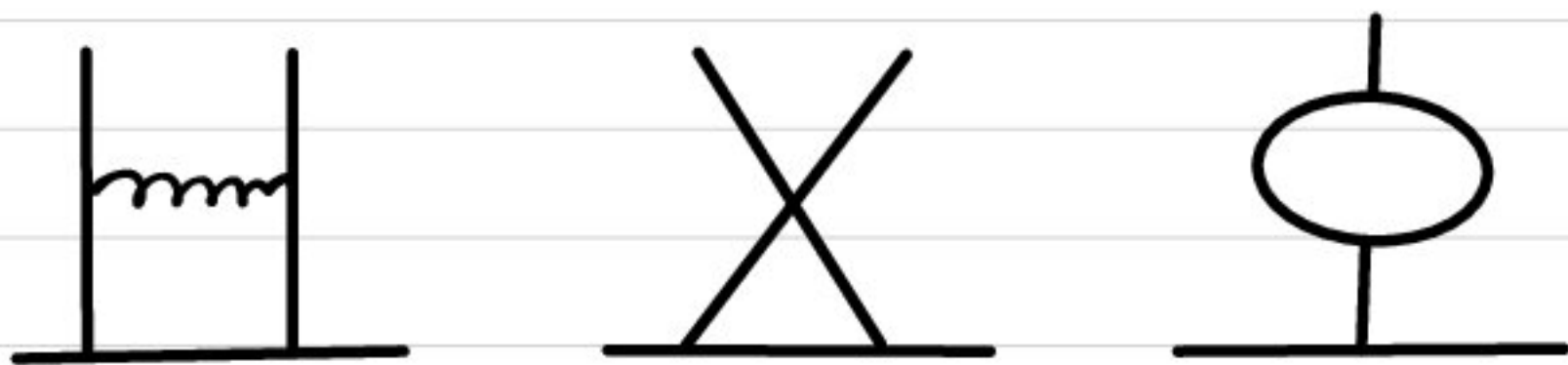
tree-level

operator mixing is UV property

$$z = x + \Lambda^{-1} \text{ or } z = y + \Lambda^{-1}, \Lambda \gg 1$$

$$\int \frac{d^4z}{|z-x|^4 |z-y|^4} = \frac{2}{|x-y|^4} \int_{1/\Lambda} \frac{2\pi^2 dz}{z} = \frac{-2\pi^2}{|x-y|^4} \ln\left(\frac{1}{\Lambda^2}\right)$$

The other diagrams contribute to the identity



$$\Gamma = \frac{1}{8\pi^2} \sum_{k=1}^L (c I_{k,k+1} - P_{k,k+1})$$

BPS state $\text{tr} Z^L$ must be the zero eigenstate of Γ

$$\Gamma \cdot \text{tr} Z^L = 0 \Rightarrow c = 1$$

\Rightarrow this Γ is Hamiltonian of XXX spin chain

Spin-chain picture comes from the identity

$$P_{k,k+1} = \frac{1}{2} \left(I_k \otimes I_{k+1} + \vec{\sigma}_k \otimes \vec{\sigma}_{k+1} \right)$$

on the basis $\left\{ |\uparrow\uparrow\rangle, |\uparrow\downarrow\rangle, |\downarrow\uparrow\rangle, |\downarrow\downarrow\rangle \right\}$
 $= \left\{ |ZZ\rangle, |ZW\rangle, |WZ\rangle, |WW\rangle \right\}$

$$\vec{\sigma}_k \otimes \vec{\sigma}_{k+1} = \sigma_k^+ \otimes \sigma_{k+1}^- + \sigma_k^- \otimes \sigma_{k+1}^+ + \sigma_k^z \otimes \sigma_{k+1}^z$$

$$\sigma^{\pm} = \frac{\sigma^1 \pm i\sigma^2}{\sqrt{2}}, \quad A \otimes B = \begin{pmatrix} A_{11}B & A_{12}B \\ A_{21}B & A_{22}B \end{pmatrix}$$

After some algebra:

$$\frac{1}{2} (I_k \otimes I_{k+1} + \vec{\sigma}_k \otimes \vec{\sigma}_{k+1}) = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & & & \\ & 0 & & \\ & & 1 & \\ & & & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

exchanges $e_2 = |\uparrow\downarrow\rangle$

This "integrability" is generalized to $e_3 = |\downarrow\uparrow\rangle$

- higher loop order in $SU(2)$ sector
- full sector of $N=4$ SYM
- other local / nonlocal observables
- but mostly only in the planar large N limit

§ Algebraic Bethe Ansatz for XXX spin chain

[Faddeev, 9605187]

- One cannot "derive" R-matrix from spin chain Hamiltonian

We can only start from a solution of YBE, and

check that it eventually reproduces:

$$H_{XXX} = \sum_{k=1}^L \vec{\sigma}_k \cdot \vec{\sigma}_{k+1}$$

- Faddeev promoted R-matrix to operators

(L-operator, R-operator, fusion rules, ...)

R-matrix for fundamental representation of $SU(2)$:

$$R_{k, k+1}(\lambda) \equiv \lambda I_{k, k+1} + i P_{k, k+1}$$

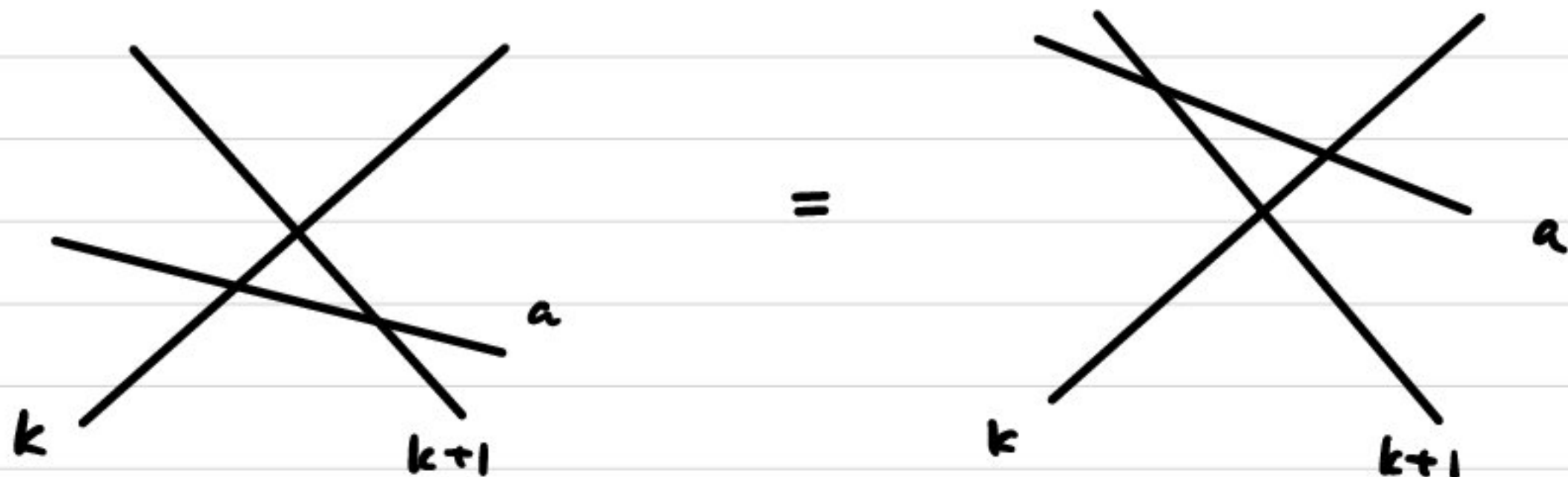
$$= \begin{pmatrix} \lambda + i & & & \\ & \lambda & i & \\ & i & \lambda & \\ & & & \lambda + i \end{pmatrix} \quad (S^{\pm} = S^1 \pm i S^2)$$

$$= \begin{pmatrix} \lambda + i S_{k+1}^3 & i S_{k+1}^- \\ i S_{k+1}^+ & \lambda - i S_{k+1}^3 \end{pmatrix} + \frac{i}{2} I_{k, k+1}$$

$$\equiv L_{k+1, k}(\lambda), \quad L\text{-operator}$$

R-matrix satisfies Yang-Baxter

\Rightarrow L-matrix satisfies $RLL = LLR$ relation



$$R_{k,k+1}(\lambda-\mu) \underline{L_{k,a}(\lambda)} \underline{L_{k+1,a}(\mu)} = \underline{L_{k+1,a}(\mu)} \underline{L_{k,a}(\lambda)} R_{k,k+1}(\lambda-\mu)$$

\therefore) Use identities, $P_{ab} = P_{ba}$, $P_{ab}^2 = 1$, $P_{na} P_{nb} P_{na} = P_{ab}$

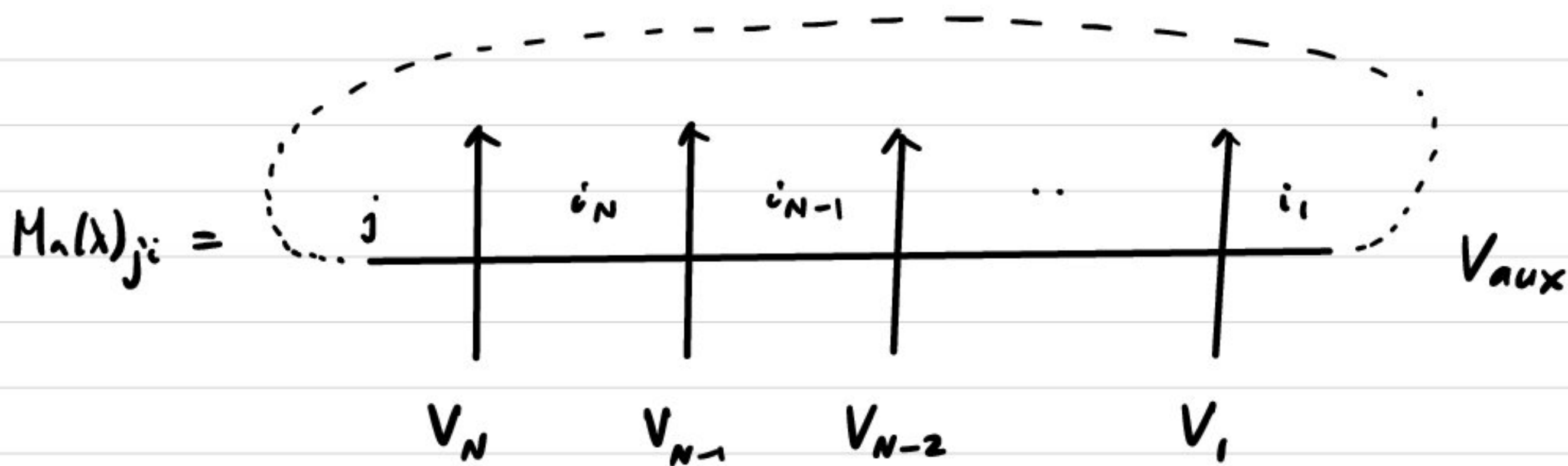
$a =$ auxiliary space V_{aux} , $\dim V_{aux} = 2$

$$\begin{pmatrix} (L_{k,a})_{11} & (L_{k,a})_{12} \\ (L_{k,a})_{21} & (L_{k,a})_{22} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \lambda + iS_k^3 & iS_k^- \\ iS_k^+ & \lambda - iS_k^3 \end{pmatrix}$$

$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{take a tensor product over } V_N \otimes V_{N-1} \otimes \dots \otimes V_2 \\ \text{take a matrix product over } V_{aux} \end{array} \right.$

$$\sum_{i_1 i_2 \dots i_N = 1}^2 (L_{N,a})_{j i_N} \otimes (L_{N-1,a})_{i_N i_{N-1}} \otimes \dots \otimes (L_{1,a})_{i_2 i_1}$$

$\equiv M_a(\lambda)_{ji}$: monodromy matrix



$$\begin{pmatrix} M_a(\lambda)_{11} & M_a(\lambda)_{12} \\ M_a(\lambda)_{21} & M_a(\lambda)_{22} \end{pmatrix} \equiv \begin{pmatrix} A_a(\lambda) & B_a(\lambda) \\ \underline{C_a(\lambda)} & \underline{D_a(\lambda)} \end{pmatrix}$$

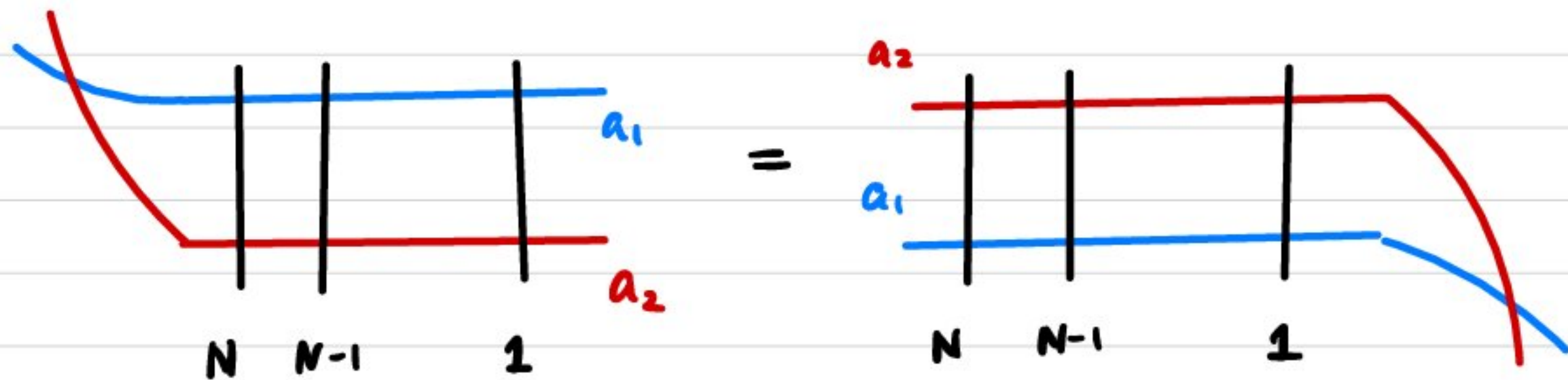
each entry is an operator on $V_{\text{phys}} \equiv V_N \otimes \dots \otimes V_1$

$$\dim V_{\text{phys}} = 2^N$$

By using $RLL = LLR$ relations, we obtain

$$R_{a_1, a_2}(\lambda - \mu) M_{a_1}(\lambda) M_{a_2}(\mu) = M_{a_2}(\mu) M_{a_1}(\lambda) R_{a_1, a_2}(\lambda - \mu)$$

as the operator on V_{aux}



Transfer matrix: $T(\lambda) \equiv \text{tr}_a M_a(\lambda) = A_a(\lambda) + D_a(\lambda)$

$$R_{12} M_1(\lambda) M_2(\mu) R_{12}^{-1} = M_2(\mu) M_1(\lambda)$$

$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{matrix indices on } V_{\text{phys}} \text{ are contracted} \\ \text{matrix indices on } V_{\text{aux}_1} \otimes V_{\text{aux}_2} \text{ are independent} \end{array} \right.$

Take the trace over $V_{\text{aux}_1} \otimes V_{\text{aux}_2}$

$$\Rightarrow T(\lambda) T(\mu) = T(\mu) T(\lambda) \quad \forall \lambda, \mu \in \mathbb{C}$$

$2^N \times 2^N$ matrices with $\lambda \neq \mu$ commute!

Expand $T(\lambda) = \text{tr}(L_N L_{N-1} \cdots L_1)$

using $L_n(\lambda) = \begin{pmatrix} \lambda + iS_n^3 & iS_n^- \\ iS_n^+ & \lambda - iS_n^3 \end{pmatrix} = (\lambda - \frac{i}{2})I_n + iP_n$

$\lambda \rightarrow \infty$: Global charge

$$T(\lambda) = \lambda^N \text{tr}_a \left[\bigotimes_n \left(I_n + \frac{i}{\lambda} S_n \right) \right]$$

$$= \lambda^N \text{tr}_a \left[\underbrace{I}_{2} + \frac{i}{\lambda} \underbrace{\sum_n S_n}_0 - \frac{1}{\lambda^2} \underbrace{\sum_{m < n} S_m \otimes S_n}_{\text{conserved charge}} + \dots \right]$$

cf. off-diagonal \rightarrow level-1 $Y(Su_2)$, $Q_1 = \sum_{m < n} \epsilon^{abc} S_m^a S_n^b$

$$P_{a,n} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & & & \\ & 0 & & \\ & & \ddots & \\ & & & 0 & \\ & & & & 1 \end{pmatrix}, \quad \text{tr}_a P_{a,n} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & \\ & 1 \end{pmatrix} = \mathbb{1}_n$$

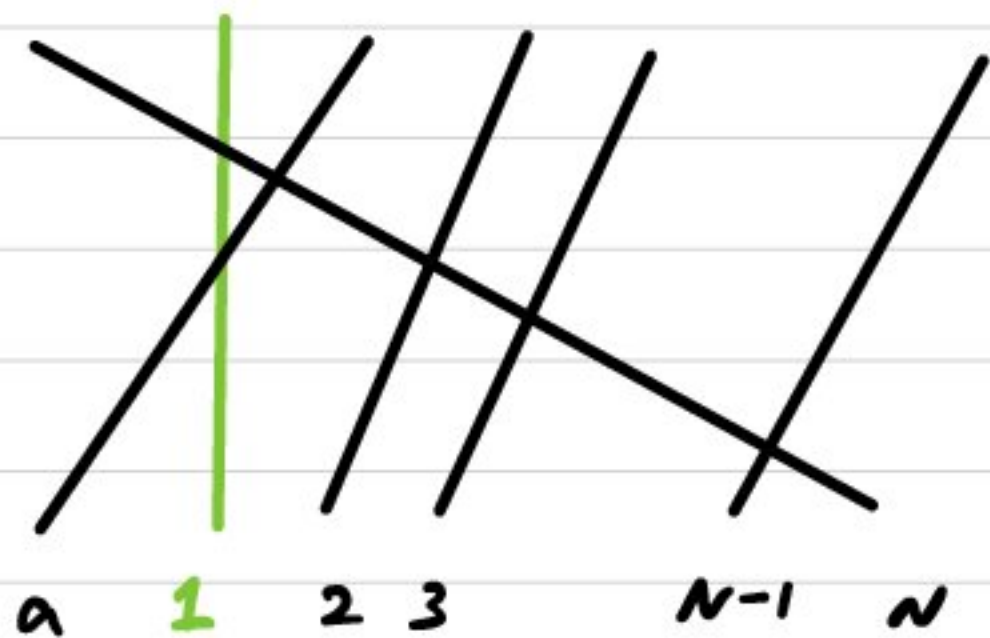
Expansion: $T(\lambda) = i^N \underline{U} + i^{N-1} \left(\lambda - \frac{i}{2} \right) \text{tr} \hat{F}_2 + \dots$

shift operator, $U^{-1} X_n U = X_{n-1}$, $U^{-1} X_1 U = X_N$

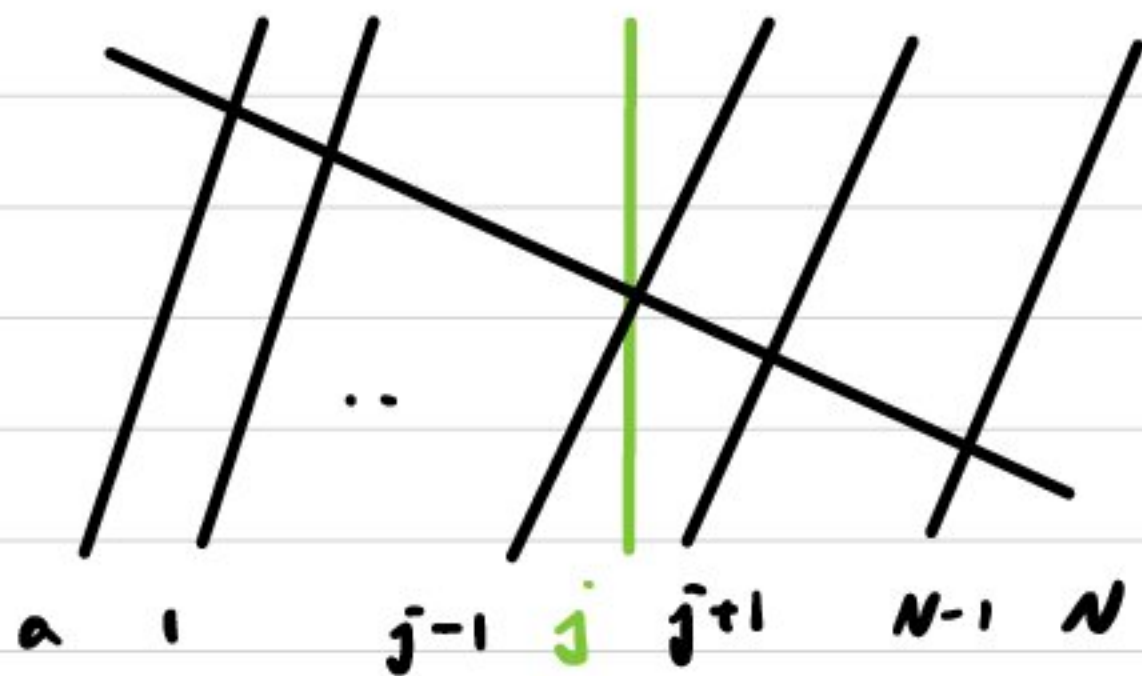
$$\hat{F}_2 = a \begin{array}{c} \uparrow \quad \uparrow \\ \text{---} \\ \uparrow \quad \uparrow \\ 1 \quad 2 \quad \dots \quad N-1 \quad N \end{array} + \sum_{j=2}^N \left(P_{a,j} \rightarrow I_{a,j} \right)$$

$P_{a,1}$ replaced by $I_{a,1}$

$$= P_{a,N} P_{2,3} \dots P_{N-1,N} + \sum_j P_{a,1} P_{1,2} \dots P_{j-1,j+1} \dots P_{N-1,N}$$



$$\begin{aligned}
 & \underline{P_{a,2} P_{2,3} \cdots P_{N-1,N}} \\
 &= P_{1,2} U \\
 &= U P_{N,1}
 \end{aligned}$$



$$\begin{aligned}
 & \underline{P_{a,1} P_{1,2} P_{j-1,j+1} \cdots P_{N-1,N}} \\
 &= U P_{j,j+1} P_{j-1,j} P_{j-1,j+1} \\
 &= U P_{j-1,j}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{tr } \hat{F}_2 = U \left(P_{N,1} + \sum_{j=2}^N P_{j-1,j} \right)$$

$$i \frac{d}{d\lambda} \log T(\lambda) \Big|_{\lambda = \frac{i}{2}} = \sum_k P_{k,k+1} = \sum_k \frac{I_k \otimes I_{k+1} + \vec{\sigma}_k \otimes \vec{\sigma}_{k+1}}{2}$$

\Rightarrow 2nd local charge = Spin $\frac{1}{2}$ XXX Hamiltonian

$$H_{\text{XXX}} = \sum_k \vec{\sigma}_k \cdot \vec{\sigma}_{k+1} = 2i \frac{d \log T}{d\lambda} \Big|_{\lambda = \frac{i}{2}} - N$$

\Rightarrow This spin chain is integrable!

§ History (long!)

Heisenberg (1928) model

Bethe (1931) Ansatz

Lieb-Liniger (1963) model $V(x) = \sum_{i < j} \delta(x_i - x_j)$

McGuire (64) Yang (67) Baxter (72) relations

→ compute partition functions, $Z = \text{tr}(e^{-\beta H})$

coordinate Bethe Ansatz for energy eigenstates

$$\psi = \sum_{x_1 < x_2} \left(e^{i p_1 x_1 + i p_2 x_2} + S(p_1, p_2) e^{i p_1 x_2 + i p_2 x_1} \right)$$

- Boussinesq (1877), Korteweg - de Vries (1895)

$$u_t - 6u u_x + u_{xxx} = 0 \quad : \quad \text{KdV}$$

- Gelfand - Levitan (1951) : inverse scattering

$$-\psi_{xx} + V\psi = E\psi$$

scattering data for ψ at $x = \pm\infty \Rightarrow$ Potential V

cf. Stokes sectors in ODE/IM

- Gardner, Greene, Kruskal, Miura (1967) : $V = u_{\text{KdV}}$

- Faddeev, Sklyanin, Takhtajan (1978) : quantum inv. scattering

R-matrix by quantizing classical QFT