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# Matrices, Characters, Quantum (Super)Spin Chains

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# Motivation and Plan

- Classical and quantum integrability are intimately related (not only through classical limit!). Quantization = discretization.
- Quantum spin chain Discrete *classical* Hirota dynamics for fusion of quantum states (according to representation theory) Klumper,Pearce 92', Kuniba,Nakanishi,'92, Krichever,Lupan,Wiegmann, Zabrodin'97
- Based on *Bazhanov-Reshetikhin* (BR) formula for fusion. Bazhanov, Reshetikhin'90 Direct proof of BR formula seems to be absent (but see Cherednik'88) We fill this gap using the gl(K|M) character technique. V.K., Vieira'07
- Solution of Hirota eq. for (super)spin chain in terms of Baxter TQ-relation.
   Tsuboi'98 V.K.,
   Sorin,Zabrodin'07
- More general and more transparent with SUSY: new QQ relations.
- Alternative to algebraic Bethe ansatz: all the way from R-matrix to nested Bethe Ansatz Equations
- Possible random matrix applications: from characters to matrix integrals.

# gl(K|M) super R-matrix and Yang-Baxter







# **Twisted Transfer Matrix**

$$T^{\{\lambda\}}(u) = \operatorname{str}\left(\mathcal{L}^{\{\lambda\}}(u)\pi_{\lambda}(g)\right)$$
 polynomial of degree N

• Defines all conserved charges of (inhomogeneous) super spin chain:



## Commutativity of T-matrices using Yang-Baxter



# L(u) L(v) R(u-v) = R(v-u) L(v) L(u)

## Bazhanov-Reshetikhin fusion formula

$$T^{\{\lambda\}}(\mathbf{u}) = \frac{1}{S_N(u)} \det_{1 \le i,j \le a} T_{\lambda_i + i-j}(\mathbf{u} + 2 - 2i)$$
Bazhanov,Reshetikhin'90
Cherednik'87
$$S_N(u) = \prod_{n=1}^N \prod_{k=1}^{a-1} (u - \theta_a - 2k)$$
• Expresses
$$T^{\{\lambda\}}(\mathbf{u}) \text{ for general irrep } = \{1, 2, \dots, a\}$$
through
$$T_S(\mathbf{u}) \text{ in symmetric irreps}$$
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• Compare to Jacobi-Trudi formula for GL(K|M) characters

$$\chi_{\{\lambda\}}(g) = \det_{1 \le i,j \le a} \chi_{\lambda_j + i-j}(g).$$

 $\chi_s(g)$  - symmetric (super)Schur polynomials with generating function

$$\vec{w(z)} \equiv \text{sdet}(1-zg)^{-1} = \sum_{s=1}^{\infty} \chi_s(\vec{g}) z^s, \qquad g \in gl(K|M)$$

## T-matrix and BR formula in terms of left co-derivative

• Monodromy matrix:

$$\widehat{L}^{\{\lambda\}}(\underline{u}) = (u_1 + 2\widehat{D}) \otimes (u_2 + 2\widehat{D}) \otimes \ldots \otimes (u_N + 2\widehat{D})\pi_{\lambda}(g), \qquad u_n \equiv u - \theta_n$$

• Transfer-matrix of chain without spins:

$$T^{\{\lambda\}} = \operatorname{str} \pi_{\lambda}(g) = \chi_{\{\lambda\}}(g)$$

• Transfer-matrix of one spin:

$$T^{\{\lambda\}}(\underline{u}) = (\underline{u} + 2\hat{D})_{\chi_{f\lambda\lambda}}(\underline{q})$$

• Transfer-matrix of N spins

$$T^{\{\lambda\}}(u) = (u_1 + 2\hat{D}) \otimes (u_2 + 2\hat{D}) \otimes \ldots \otimes (\underline{u_N} + 2\hat{D}) \chi_{\{\lambda\}}(\underline{q})$$

# Proof of BR formula for one spin Jacobi-Trudi formula for character

$$S(u) T^{\{\lambda\}}(u) = \left[\prod_{k=1}^{a-1} \overline{(u-2k)}\right] (u+2\hat{D}) \det_{1 \le i,j \le a} \chi_{\lambda_i+i-j}(g)$$

should be equal to

$$T_{BR}^{\{\lambda\}}(u) \equiv \det_{1 \le i,j \le a} \left[ (u+2-2i+2\widehat{D})\chi_{\lambda_i+i-j}(g) \right]$$

• First, check for trivial zeroes: every 2x2 minor of two rows

$$T_{BR}^{\{\lambda\}}(2k) = \begin{pmatrix} \dots & T_{\lambda_k+k-1}(2) & T_{\lambda_{k+1}+k}(0) & \dots \\ \dots & T_{\lambda_k+k-2}(2) & T_{\lambda_{k+1}+k-1}(0) & \dots \\ \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots \\ \dots & T_{\lambda_k+k-a}(2) & T_{\lambda_{k+1}+k-a+1}(0) & \dots \end{pmatrix}$$

is zero due to curious identity for symmetric characters

$$(\underline{1} + \underline{\hat{D}})_{xs_1} + \underline{\hat{D}}_{xs_2} - (\underline{1} + \underline{\hat{D}})_{xs_1} + \underline{\hat{D}}_{xs_2} - \underline{0}$$

#### A Hirota-type relation for discrete KdV

# Proof of the main identity

- Consider =
- One derivative

$$\hat{D}w(z) = \frac{gz}{1 - gz}w(z) \iff \left[\hat{D}w(z)\right]_{j_1}^{i_1} = \left[\frac{gz}{1 - gz}\right]_{j_1}^{i_1}w(z)$$

$$D w(z) \stackrel{1}{\circ} = \int w(z)$$

# **Graphical representation**



#### One derivative



#### Three derivatives



## Proof of the main identity (continuation)

• Consider 
$$(1 + \hat{D})^{\otimes N} w(z)$$

$$(1+\hat{D})w(z) = \frac{1}{1-gz}w(z) \iff \left[(1+\hat{D})w(z)\right]_{j_1}^{i_1} = \left(\frac{1}{1-gz}\right)_{j_1}^{i_1}w(z)$$

• In pictures:



# Comparison



- Notice that the difference is only in color of vertical lines.
- Identical after cyclical shift of upper indices to the right in 2-nd line (up to one line where red should be changed to dotted one)

## Proving the identity ....



• This completes our proof of Bazhanov-Reshetikhin formula

# SUSY Boundary Conditions: Fat Hook



• All super Young tableaux of gl(K|M) live within this fat hook

## Hirota eq. from Jacobi relation for rectangular tableaux



• From BR formula, by Jacobi relation for det:

we get Hirota eq.

T(a,s,u):

T(a, s, u+1)T(a, s, u-1) - T(a, s+1, u)T(a, s-1, u) = T(a+1, s, u)T(a-1, s, u)

• We can solve it by Bäcklund trick, find

# From characters to matrix integrals



 $T^{\{\lambda\}}(u) = (u + u_1 + 2\hat{D}_g) \otimes (u + u_2 + 2\hat{D}_g) \otimes \ldots \otimes (u + u_N + 2\hat{D}_g) \langle \operatorname{Tr} \frac{1}{1 - gM} \rangle$ 

Commute for any 
$$u$$
:  $\left[T(u), T(u')\right] = 0$ 

Interesting relations for random matrix correlators!

## Solution: Generalized Baxter's T-Q Relations

[V.K.,Sorin,Zabrodin'07]

• Diff. operator generating all T's for symmetric irreps:

• Introduce shift operators:

$$\frac{\widehat{V}_{k,m}^{(1,0)}(u)}{\widehat{V}_{k,m}^{(0,-1)}(u)} = y_m \frac{Q_{k+1,m}(u)Q_{k,m}(u+2)}{Q_{k+1,m}(u+2)Q_{k,m}(u)} - e^{2\partial u}$$

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(u-u )

Baxter's Q-functions:

k=1,...,K m=1,...M



 $Q_{k,m}(u)Q_{k+1,m+1}(u+2) - Q_{k+1,m+1}(u)Q_{k,m}(u+2) = Q_{k,m+1}(u)Q_{k+1,m}(u+2)$ 

## Undressing along a zigzag path (Kac-Dynkin diagram)



## Bethe Ansatz Equations along a zigzag path

• BAE's follow from zeroes of various terms in Hirota QQ relation

$$\prod_{b=1}^{K+M} \frac{\tilde{Q}_b \left( \tilde{u}_j^{(a)} - K_{ab} \right)}{\tilde{Q}_b \left( \tilde{u}_j^{(a)} + K_{ab} \right)} = (-1)^{\frac{1}{2}K_{aa}}, \qquad a = 1, \dots, K+M-1$$

Kulish, Sklianin'80-85

$$Q_{k,m}(u) = \check{Q}_{k+m}(\check{u}), \qquad \check{u}_j^{(n)} = u_j^{(n)} - k + m$$

#### and Cartan matrix along the zigzag path

$$K_{ab} = (p_a + p_{a+1})\delta_{a,b} - p_{a+1}\delta_{a+1,b} - p_a\delta_{a,b+1}$$
  
where  $p_n = \begin{cases} 1, \text{ if } & \downarrow \\ -1, \text{ if } & \longleftarrow \end{cases}$ 

# **Conclusions and Prospects**

- We proved Bazhanov-Reshetikhin formula for general fusion.
- We solved the associated Hirota discrete classical dynamics by generalized Baxter T-Q relations, found new Q-Q bilinear relations, reproduced nested TBA eqs. An alternative to the algebraic Bethe ansatz.
- Possible generalizations: noncompact irreps, mixed (covariant+contravariant) irreps, osp(n|2m) algebras. Trigonometric and elliptic(?) case.
- Non-standard R-matrices, like Hubbard or su(2|2) S-matrix in AdS/CFT, should be also described by Hirota eq. with different B.C.
- A potentially powerful tool for studying supersymmetric spin chains and 2d integrable field theories, including classical limits.

 $\frac{T(1,1,u+2)}{\phi(u+3)} = -\frac{Q_{1,0}(u+4)}{Q_{1,0}(u+2)}\frac{\phi(u+2)}{\phi(u+4)} + \frac{Q_{1,0}(u+4)}{Q_{1,0}(u+2)}\frac{Q_{1,1}(u)}{Q_{1,1}(u+2)}\frac{\phi(u+2)}{\phi(u+4)} - \frac{Q_{1,1}(u)}{Q_{1,1}(u+2)}\frac{\phi(u+2)}{\phi(u+4)} - \frac{Q_{1,1}(u)}{Q_{1,1}(u+2)}\frac{\phi(u+2)}{\phi(u+4)}$