# Form factors in GL(3)-invariant integrable models

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Suppose that the action of  $\widehat{\mathcal{O}}$  to the right or to the left is known

$$\widehat{\mathcal{O}}|\psi'\rangle = |\phi'\rangle \qquad \langle \psi|\widehat{\mathcal{O}} = \langle \phi|$$

Then we reduce the problem to the calculation of the scalar product, where one of the states is the eigenstate of the Hamiltonian.

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#### Conjecture

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Applying the general method we can act with  $T_{ij}(z)$  onto one of the states

$$T_{ij}(z)|\psi'(\bar{u}')\rangle = |\phi(\{z,\bar{u}'\})\rangle = \sum_{\bar{u}''}\alpha(\bar{u}'')|\psi(\bar{u}'')\rangle, \qquad \bar{u}'' \subset \{z,\bar{u}'\}$$

The total set  $\{z, \bar{u}'\}$  does not satisfy Bethe equations. However we can not say that the new state  $|\phi(\{z, \bar{u}'\})\rangle$  is parameterized by arbitrary complex numbers, since the parameters  $\bar{u}'$  are some roots of Bethe equations.

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Special subsets

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Algebraic Bethe Ansatz works if there exists a pseudovacuum vector  $|0\rangle$  and dual pseudovacuum vector  $\langle 0|$ 

$$T_{jj}(u)|0\rangle = r_j(u)|0\rangle, \qquad T_{jk}(u)|0\rangle = 0, \quad j > k$$

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One can set one of  $r_j(u)$  equals to 1 without loss of generality. Other  $r_j(u)$  remain free functional parameters (generalized model). We set  $r_2(u) = 1$ .

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Nested Bethe ansatz

(P. Kulish, N. Reshetikhin, '83)

- Other formulations of nested Bethe ansatz
- V. Tarasov, A. Varchenko '95
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Recall: 
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#### **Dual Bethe vectors**

Dual Bethe vectors are special polynomials in annihilation operators  $(T_{21}, T_{31}, T_{32})$  applied to the dual pseudovacuum  $\langle 0|$ .

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Generically  $\{\bar{u}^C, \bar{v}^C\}$  and  $\{\bar{u}^B, \bar{v}^B\}$  are different solutions of Bethe equations.

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 $Y_{a+1}^{(1)}$  is an arbitrary number except the case  $\bar{u}^C = \bar{u}^B$  and  $\bar{v}^C = \bar{v}^B$ :

$$Y_{a+1}^{(1)} = \frac{r_1(z) f(\bar{u}, z)}{f(\bar{v}, z) f(z, \bar{u})}$$

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(N. Reshetikhin '86)

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 $W_{\rm part}$  are rational functions (they depend on the R-matrix).

Some properties of  $W_{part}$ : N. Reshetikhin '86

Explicit form of  $W_{\text{part}}$ : M. Wheeler '12

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If  $\bar{u}^B$  and  $\bar{v}^B$  satisfy Bethe equations, then we can express  $r_1(\bar{u}_{\rm I}^B)r_3(\bar{v}_{\rm I}^B)$  in terms of rational functions. Therefore we can take the sum over partitions of the sets  $\bar{u}^B$  and  $\bar{v}^B$ .

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### New rational function

In the case of form factors most of the parameters from the sets  $\bar{u}^C$  and  $\bar{v}^C$  also satisfy Bethe equations. Then the corresponding  $r_1(u_j^C)$  and  $r_3(v_j^C)$  also can be expressed in terms of rational functions. Therefore we obtain possibilities for further summation.

All form factors can be presented in the form

$$\mathcal{F}_{a,b}^{(\epsilon,\epsilon')}(z) = r_1(z) \cdot W_1^{(\epsilon,\epsilon')} + W_2^{(\epsilon,\epsilon')} + r_3(z) \cdot W_3^{(\epsilon,\epsilon')}$$

The coefficients  $W_k^{(\epsilon,\epsilon')}$  are rational functions given in terms of the sums over partitions. These sums can be reduced to determinants.

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The actions of other operators give non-trivial linear combinations of Bethe vectors, for example,

$$T_{12}(z)|\psi_{a,b}(\bar{u};\bar{v})\rangle = \alpha |\psi_{a+1,b}(\{z,\bar{u}\};\bar{v})\rangle + \sum_{i} \beta_{i} |\psi_{a+1,b}(\{z,\bar{u}\};\{z,\bar{v}_{i}\})\rangle$$

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One of possible ways to solve the problem is the standard method based on Reshetikhin's representation.

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