# On correlation functions for open XXZ and XYZ spin chains

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## based on joined works with G. Niccoli (XXZ and XYZ with non-diagonal b.c., T = 0), and K. K. Kozlowski (XXZ with diagonal b.c. T > 0)

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#### The open XXZ/XYZ chain with boundary fields

$$H_{\mathsf{XXZ}}^{\mathsf{open}} = \sum_{m=1}^{L-1} \left[ \sigma_m^{\mathsf{X}} \sigma_{m+1}^{\mathsf{X}} + \sigma_m^{\mathsf{y}} \sigma_{m+1}^{\mathsf{y}} + \Delta \sigma_m^{\mathsf{z}} \sigma_{m+1}^{\mathsf{z}} \right] + \sum_{a \in \{\mathsf{X}, \mathsf{Y}, \mathsf{Z}\}} \left[ h_+^a \sigma_1^a + h_-^a \sigma_L^a \right]$$

- . space of states:  $\mathcal{H} = \otimes_{n=1}^{L} \mathcal{H}_n$  with  $\mathcal{H}_n \simeq \mathbb{C}^2$
- .  $\sigma_m^{x,y,z} \in \operatorname{End}(\mathcal{H}_n)$  : local spin-1/2 operators (Pauli matrices) at site m
- anisotropy parameter  $\Delta = \cosh \eta$
- . boundary fields  $h_{\pm}^{x,y,z}$  parametrised in terms of 6 boundary parameters  $\varsigma_{\pm}, \kappa_{\pm}, \tau_{\pm}$ , or alternatively  $\varphi_{\pm}, \psi_{\pm}, \tau_{\pm}$ :

$$\begin{aligned} h_{\pm}^{x} &= 2\kappa_{\pm} \sinh \eta \, \frac{\cosh \tau_{\pm}}{\sinh \varsigma_{\pm}}, \quad h_{\pm}^{y} &= 2i\kappa_{\pm} \sinh \eta \, \frac{\sinh \tau_{\pm}}{\sinh \varsigma_{\pm}}, \quad h_{\pm}^{z} &= \sinh \eta \, \coth \varsigma_{\pm} \\ \sinh \varphi_{\pm} \, \cosh \psi_{\pm} &= \frac{\sinh \varsigma_{\pm}}{2\kappa_{\pm}}, \quad \cosh \varphi_{\pm} \, \sinh \psi_{\pm} &= \frac{\cosh \varsigma_{\pm}}{2\kappa_{\pm}} \end{aligned}$$

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Question: Correlation functions  $\langle \prod_{j=1}^{m} \sigma_{ij}^{\alpha_j} \rangle$ ? Previous works: [Jimbo et al. 95] from *q*-vertex operators, [Kitanine et al 07] from ABA ( $h_{\pm}^{\times} = h_{\pm}^{\nu} = 0, T = 0$ )

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$$H_{XYZ}^{\text{open}} = \sum_{a \in \{x, y, z\}} \left[ \sum_{n=1}^{L} J_a \sigma_n^a \sigma_{n+1}^a + h_+^a \sigma_1^a + h_-^a \sigma_L^a \right]$$

boundary fields parametrised in terms of 6 boundary parameters  $c_{\pm}^{a}$ , a = x, y, z, or alternatively  $\alpha_{\ell}^{\pm}$ ,  $\ell = 1, 2, 3$ :

$$\begin{split} J_{x} &= \frac{\theta_{4}(\eta)}{\theta_{4}(0)}, \qquad \qquad h_{\pm}^{x} = c_{\pm}^{x} \frac{\theta_{1}(\eta)}{\theta_{4}(0)} = \frac{\theta_{1}(\eta)}{\theta_{4}(0)} \prod_{\ell=1}^{3} \frac{\theta_{4}(\alpha_{\ell}^{\pm})}{\theta_{1}(\alpha_{\ell}^{\pm})}, \\ J_{y} &= \frac{\theta_{3}(\eta)}{\theta_{3}(0)}, \qquad \qquad h_{\pm}^{y} = i c_{\pm}^{y} \frac{\theta_{1}(\eta)}{\theta_{3}(0)} = -i \frac{\theta_{1}(\eta)}{\theta_{3}(0)} \prod_{\ell=1}^{3} \frac{\theta_{3}(\alpha_{\ell}^{\pm})}{\theta_{1}(\alpha_{\ell}^{\pm})}, \\ J_{z} &= \frac{\theta_{2}(\eta)}{\theta_{2}(0)}, \qquad \qquad h_{\pm}^{z} = c_{\pm}^{z} \frac{\theta_{1}(\eta)}{\theta_{2}(0)} = \frac{\theta_{1}(\eta)}{\theta_{2}(0)} \prod_{\ell=1}^{3} \frac{\theta_{2}(\alpha_{\ell}^{\pm})}{\theta_{1}(\alpha_{\ell}^{\pm})}. \end{split}$$

with  $\theta_i(u) \equiv \theta_i(u|\omega)$  ( $\Im(\omega) > 0$ )

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- on the exact determinant representations for the form factors  $\langle \psi_i | \sigma_n^{\alpha} | \psi_j \rangle$  in finite volume [Kitanine, Maillet, VT 1999], obtained from
  - the action of local operators on Bethe states (using the solution of the quantum inverse problem, e.g.  $\sigma_n^- = t(0)^{n-1} B(0) t(0)^{-n}$ )
  - the use of Slavnov's determinant representation for the scalar products of Bethe states [Slavnov 89]

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$$\langle \{\mu\}_{\text{off-shell}} | \{\lambda\}_{\text{on-shell}} \rangle \propto \det_{1 \leq j,k \leq n} \left[ \frac{\partial \tau(\mu_j | \{\lambda\})}{\partial \lambda_k} \right]$$
  
where  $t(\mu_j) | \{\lambda\} \rangle = \tau(\mu_j | \{\lambda\}) | \{\lambda\} \rangle$ 

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At T > 0, correlation functions as sum over thermal form factors within the QTM approach ( [Dugave, Göhmann, Kozlowski 12] and further works...)  $\rightsquigarrow$  asymptotic behaviour at low-T

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 $\hookrightarrow$  most general 2  $\times$  2 trigonometric solution of the refl. eq [de Vega, Gonzalez-Ruiz; Ghoshal, Zamolodchikov 93] :

$$\mathcal{K}(\lambda;\varsigma,\kappa,\tau) = \frac{1}{\sinh\varsigma} \begin{pmatrix} \sinh(\lambda - \frac{\eta}{2} + \varsigma) & \kappa \ e^{\tau} \sinh(2\lambda - \eta) \\ \kappa \ e^{-\tau} \sinh(2\lambda - \eta) & \sinh(\varsigma - \lambda + \frac{\eta}{2}) \end{pmatrix}$$

→ boundary matrices  $K^+(\lambda) \equiv K(\lambda + \eta/2; \varsigma_+, \kappa_+, \tau_+)$  and  $K^-(\lambda) \equiv K(\lambda - \eta/2; \varsigma_-, \kappa_-, \tau_-)$  describing left/right boundary fields:

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$$\mathcal{K}(\lambda) \equiv \mathcal{K}(\lambda; \alpha_1, \alpha_2, \alpha_3) = \frac{\theta_1(2\lambda - \eta)}{2\theta_1(\lambda - \frac{\eta}{2})} \left[ \mathbb{I} + c^{\times} \frac{\theta_1(\lambda - \frac{\eta}{2})}{\theta_4(\lambda - \frac{\eta}{2})} \sigma^{\times} + ic^{\vee} \frac{\theta_1(\lambda - \frac{\eta}{2})}{\theta_3(\lambda - \frac{\eta}{2})} \sigma^{\vee} + c^{\times} \frac{\theta_1(\lambda - \frac{\eta}{2})}{\theta_2(\lambda - \frac{\eta}{2})} \sigma^{\times} \right],$$

with coefficients  $c^x, c^y, c^z$  given in terms of three boundary parameters  $\alpha_1, \alpha_2, \alpha_3$  as

$$c^{\mathsf{x}} = \prod_{\ell=1}^{3} \frac{\theta_4(\alpha_\ell)}{\theta_1(\alpha_\ell)}, \qquad c^{\mathsf{y}} = -\prod_{\ell=1}^{3} \frac{\theta_3(\alpha_\ell)}{\theta_1(\alpha_\ell)}, \qquad c^{\mathsf{z}} = \prod_{\ell=1}^{3} \frac{\theta_2(\alpha_\ell)}{\theta_1(\alpha_\ell)}.$$

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$$\rightarrow \mathcal{U}(\lambda) = \mathcal{T}(\lambda) \, \mathcal{K}^{-}(\lambda) \, \hat{\mathcal{T}}(\lambda) = \begin{pmatrix} \mathcal{A}(\lambda) & \mathcal{B}(\lambda) \\ \mathcal{C}(\lambda) & \mathcal{D}(\lambda) \end{pmatrix} \quad \text{with } \hat{\mathcal{T}}(\lambda) \propto \sigma^{y} \, \mathcal{T}^{t}(-\lambda) \, \sigma^{y}$$
  
$$\rightarrow \text{ transfer matrix: } t(\lambda) = \text{tr}\{\mathcal{K}^{+}(\lambda) \, \mathcal{U}(\lambda)\} \qquad [t(\lambda), t(\mu)] = 0$$
  
$$H^{\text{open}} \propto \frac{d}{d\lambda} \log t(\lambda) |_{\lambda = \eta/2}$$

#### Solution by ABA in the XXZ diagonal case

When both boundary matrices  $K^{\pm}$  are diagonal ( $\kappa_{\pm} = 0$ , i.e. boundary fields along  $\sigma_1^z$  and  $\sigma_N^z$  only):

■ the bulk reference state |0⟩ = | ↑↑ ... ↑⟩ can still be used to construct the eigenstates as Bethe states in the ABA framework [Sklyanin 88]

 $|\{\lambda\}\rangle = \prod_{k=1}^{n} \mathcal{B}(\lambda_k) |0\rangle \in \mathcal{H}, \quad \langle\{\lambda\}| = \langle 0|\prod_{k=1}^{n} \mathcal{C}(\lambda_k) \in \mathcal{H}^*$ 

- ∃ generalization of Slavnov's determinant representation for the scalar products of Bethe states  $\langle \{\mu\}_{off-shell} | \{\lambda\}_{on-shell} \rangle$  [Tsuchiya 98; Wang 02]
- but a simple generalization of the quantum inverse problem to the boundary case (i.e. expressions of σ<sub>n</sub><sup>α</sup> in terms of elements of the boundary monodromy matrix) is missing (except at site 1)
   → no simple closed formula for the form factors ({μ} | σ<sub>m</sub><sup>α</sup> | {λ})
- correlation functions in the ABA framework ? [Kitanine et al. 07]
  - . decompose boundary Bethe states into bulk Bethe states
  - . use the bulk inverse problem to compute the action of local operators

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- . reconstruct the result in terms of boundary Bethe states
- $\rightsquigarrow$  multiple sums over scalar products
- → multiple integrals in the half-infinite chain limit (recovering the results of [Jimbo et al. 95] from q-vertex operators)

- more explicit representations for correlation functions at T = 0 ?
   magnetization at distance m from the boundary (explicit dependance on m) ?
- temperature case ? (with K. Kozlowski)
- case of non-longitudinal boundary fields (non-diagonal K matrices) ? (with G. Niccoli)

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• XYZ case ? (in progress with G. Niccoli)

#### The temperature case ? [Kozlowski, V.T. 23]

Consider the XXZ chain with longitudinal boundary fields in a uniform external magnetic field h:

$$H_h = H - \frac{h}{2} \sum_{k=1}^{L} \sigma_k^z$$

with

$$H = \sum_{m=1}^{L-1} \left\{ \sigma_m^x \sigma_{m+1}^x + \sigma_m^y \sigma_{m+1}^y + \Delta \sigma_m^z \sigma_{m+1}^z \right\} + h_-^z \sigma_1^z + h_+^z \sigma_L^z$$
$$\Delta = \cos \zeta \qquad h_{\pm}^z = \sinh(-i\zeta) \coth \xi_{\pm}$$

Given r local operators  $\mathcal{O}_{m_1+1}^{(1)}, \ldots, \mathcal{O}_{m_r+1}^{(r)}$  acting on sites  $m_1 + 1, \ldots, m_r + 1$ , we want to compute the thermal average

$$\mathbb{E}_{L;T}\left[\mathcal{O}_{m_1+1}^{(1)}\dots\mathcal{O}_{m_r+1}^{(r)}\right] = \frac{\operatorname{tr}_{1,\dots,L}\left[\mathcal{O}_{m_1+1}^{(1)}\dots\mathcal{O}_{m_r+1}^{(r)}e^{-\frac{H_h}{T}}\right]}{\operatorname{tr}_{1,\dots,L}\left[e^{-\frac{H_h}{T}}\right]}$$

and its thermodynamic limit:

$$\langle \mathcal{O}_{m_1+1}^{(1)} \dots \mathcal{O}_{m_r+1}^{(r)} \rangle_T = \lim_{L \to +\infty} \mathbb{E}_{L;T} \left[ \mathcal{O}_{m_1+1}^{(1)} \dots \mathcal{O}_{m_r+1}^{(r)} \right]$$

 $\rightarrow$  use of the Quantum Transfer Matrix approach (cf Wuppertal group works...)

## The QTM approach for the open spin chain

Adaptation of the method to the open case to compute the surface free energy of the XXZ chain

- Göhmann, Bortz and Frahm (2005) : expression of the surface free energy for the XXZ chain in the thermodynamic limit as a Trotter limit of the expectation value, in the dominant eigenstate of the quantum transfer matrix, of a certain (non-local) 'finite temperature boundary operator'
- Kozlowski, Pozsgay (2012) : interpret the above mean value as a product of two specific cases of partition functions of the six-vertex model with reflecting ends
  - $\rightarrow$  expression in terms of Tsuchiya's determinant representation
  - $\rightarrow$  possibility to take the Trotter limit in the formula
  - $\rightarrow$  simple integral representation for the boundary magnetization
  - $\rightarrow$  possibility to study the low-T limit
- Pozsgay, Rakos (2018) : generalisation to arbitrary boundary conditions (h = 0)

Correlation functions ?

## A Trotter approximant for multi-point functions

#### Using

$$\left(t\left(-\frac{\beta}{N}\right)\cdot t^{-1}(0)\right)^{N}=e^{-\frac{H}{T}}\cdot (1+O(N^{-1}))$$

with

$$eta = rac{\sinh(-i\zeta)}{T}, \qquad \Delta = \cos\zeta$$

we have

$$\mathbb{E}_{L;T} \left[ \mathcal{O}_{m_{1}+1}^{(1)} \dots \mathcal{O}_{m_{r}+1}^{(r)} \right] \\ = \lim_{N \to +\infty} \frac{\operatorname{tr}_{1,\dots,L} \left[ \mathcal{O}_{m_{1}+1}^{(1)} \dots \mathcal{O}_{m_{r}+1}^{(r)} \cdot t^{N}(-\frac{\beta}{N}) \cdot t^{-N}(0) \cdot \prod_{n=1}^{L} e^{\frac{h}{2T}\sigma_{n}^{z}} \right]}{\operatorname{tr}_{1,\dots,L} \left[ t^{N}(-\frac{\beta}{N}) \cdot t^{-N}(0) \cdot \prod_{n=1}^{L} e^{\frac{h}{2T}\sigma_{n}^{z}} \right]}$$

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Noticing that

$$t(\lambda) = \operatorname{tr}_{a,b} \left[ P_{a,b}(\lambda) \ T_b^{t_b}(\lambda) \ \hat{T}_a(\lambda) \right]$$

where  $P_{a,b}$  is a one-dimensional projector:

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{P}_{a,b}(\lambda) &= \mathcal{K}_{a}^{+}(\lambda) \, \mathcal{P}_{ab}^{t_{a}} \, \mathcal{K}_{a}^{-}(\lambda) \\ &= \mathcal{K}_{a}^{+}(\lambda) \left( |+\rangle_{a}|+\rangle_{b} + |-\rangle_{a}|-\rangle_{b} \right) \big( \langle +|_{a} \langle +|_{b} + \langle -|_{a} \langle -|_{b} \rangle \, \mathcal{K}_{a}^{-}(\lambda), \end{aligned}$$

Göhmann, Bortz and Frahm have rewritten  $t^N(-\frac{\beta}{N})$  in terms of the quantum monodromy matrix  $T_{q;j}(\lambda)$  with 'quantum space'  $q \equiv a_1, \ldots, a_{2N}$  and 'auxiliary space' j:

$$t^{N}(-\frac{\beta}{N})\prod_{n=1}^{L}e^{\frac{h}{2T}\sigma_{n}^{z}}=\operatorname{tr}_{q}\left[\Pi_{q}(-\frac{\beta}{N})T_{q;1}(0)\ldots T_{q;L}(0)\right], \qquad q\equiv a_{1}\ldots a_{2N},$$

with

$$\Pi_{q}(\varsigma) = P_{a_{1}a_{2}}(\varsigma) P_{a_{3}a_{4}}(\varsigma) \dots P_{a_{2N-1}a_{2N}}(\varsigma)$$

$$T_{q,j}(\lambda) = R_{a_{2N}j}^{t_{a_{2N}j}}(-\frac{\beta}{N} - \lambda) R_{ja_{2N-1}}(\lambda - \frac{\beta}{N}) \dots R_{a_{2j}}^{t_{a_{2}j}}(-\frac{\beta}{N} - \lambda) R_{ja_{1}}(\lambda - \frac{\beta}{N}) e^{\frac{h}{2T}\sigma_{j}^{z}}$$

$$= \begin{pmatrix} A_{q}(\lambda) & B_{q}(\lambda) \\ C_{q}(\lambda) & D_{q}(\lambda) \end{pmatrix}_{[j]}$$

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Finite-size multi-point function:

$$\mathbb{E}_{L;T} \left[ \mathcal{O}_{m_{1}+1}^{(1)} \dots \mathcal{O}_{m_{r}+1}^{(r)} \right]$$

$$= \lim_{N \to \infty} \operatorname{tr}_{1,\dots,L} \operatorname{tr}_{q} \left\{ \Pi_{q} \left( -\frac{\beta}{N} \right) T_{q;1}(0) \dots T_{q;L}(0) \ \mathcal{O}_{m_{1}+1}^{(1)} \dots \mathcal{O}_{m_{r}+1}^{(r)} \right\} / Z_{N,L}$$

$$= \lim_{N \to \infty} \operatorname{tr}_{q} \left\{ \Pi_{q} \left( -\frac{\beta}{N} \right) \cdot [t_{q}(0)]^{m_{1}} \cdot \operatorname{tr}[T_{q}(0) \ \mathcal{O}^{(1)}] \cdot [t_{q}(0)]^{m_{2}-m_{1}-1} \right.$$

$$\times \operatorname{tr}[T_{q}(0) \ \mathcal{O}^{(2)}] \cdot [t_{q}(0)]^{m_{3}-m_{2}-1} \dots \operatorname{tr}[T_{q}(0) \ \mathcal{O}^{(r)}] [t_{q}(0)]^{L-m_{r}-1} \right\} / Z_{N,L}$$

where

$$Z_{N,L} = \operatorname{tr}_{1,...,L} \operatorname{tr}_{q} \left\{ \Pi_{q}(-\frac{\beta}{N}) T_{q;1}(0) \dots T_{q;L}(0) \right\}$$
$$= \operatorname{tr}_{q} \left\{ \Pi_{q}(-\frac{\beta}{N}) \cdot [t_{q}(0)]^{L} \right\}$$

*Remark.*  $t_q = \text{tr } T_q$  is the same QTM as in the periodic case  $\rightarrow$  use the results from the study of the periodic case (from the Wuppertal's group works)

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Assuming

- that one can exchange the Trotter limit  $N \to +\infty$  and thermodynamic limit  $L \to +\infty$ ,
- that the QTM admits a non-degenerate, real and positive maximal eigenvalue  $\hat{\Lambda}_0$  with corresponding eigenstate  $|\Psi_0\rangle$

one obtains

$$\begin{split} \langle \mathcal{O}_{m_1+1}^{(1)} \dots \mathcal{O}_{m_r+1}^{(r)} \rangle_{\mathcal{T}} \\ &= \lim_{N \to +\infty} \frac{\langle \Psi_0 \mid \Pi_q(-\frac{\beta}{N}) \cdot [t_q(0)]^{m_1} \cdot \Xi^{(1)} \cdot [t_q(0)]^{m_2-m_1-1} \cdot \Xi^{(2)} \dots \Xi^{(r)} \mid \Psi_0 \rangle}{\langle \Psi_0 \mid \Pi_q(-\frac{\beta}{N}) \mid \Psi_0 \rangle \cdot \hat{\Lambda}_0^{m_r+1}} \end{split}$$

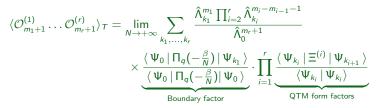
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in which

 $\Xi^{(i)} = \operatorname{tr}[T_q(0) \mathcal{O}^{(i)}]$ 

### Thermal form factor expansion at finite Trotter number

Supposing that the quantum transfer matrix  $t_q(0)$  is diagonalizable with eigenvectors  $|\Psi_n\rangle$  and associated eigenvalues  $\hat{\Lambda}_n$ :



- the QTM eigenstates for finite N can be constructed by Bethe ansatz and are described by solutions of Bethe equations
- the above sum runs over the same normalised QTM matrix elements as in the bulk case (given as ratios of Slavnov/Gaudin determinants)
   → we can directly use the study of [Dugave, Göhmann, Kozlowski 12] and further works...
- the whole dependence on the boundary is contained in the boundary factor, which can be reformulated, following [Kozlowski, Pozsgay 12] as a ratio of partition functions of the six-vertex model with reflecting ends (→ ratio of Tsuchiya's determinants)

#### The boundary factor

Let 
$$|\Psi_0\rangle \equiv |\Psi(\{\lambda_j\}_1^N)\rangle$$
 and  $|\Psi_{k_1}\rangle \equiv |\Psi(\{\mu_j\}_1^M)\rangle$   
Then, following [Kozlowski, Pozsgay 12]:  
 $\langle \Psi_0 | \Pi_q(-\frac{\beta}{N}) | \Psi_{k_1} \rangle = \delta_{N,M} \mathcal{F}^{(+)}(\{\lambda_j\}_1^N) \cdot \mathcal{F}^{(-)}(\{\mu_j\}_1^N)$ 

in which

$$\mathcal{F}^{(-)}(\{\mu_j\}_1^N) = e^{-\frac{N\hbar}{2T}} \, \mathcal{Z}_N(\{-\frac{\beta}{N}\}_1^N; \{\mu_j\}_1^N; \xi_-)$$

where  $\mathcal{Z}_N(\{\xi_a\}_1^N; \{\mu_j\}_1^N; \xi_-)$  is the partition function of the six-vertex model with reflecting ends (given by a Tsuchiya determinant):

$$\mathcal{Z}_{N}\left(\{\xi_{a}\}_{1}^{N};\{\mu_{a}\}_{1}^{N};\xi_{-}\right) = \frac{\prod_{a,b=1}^{N}\prod_{\epsilon=\pm}\left\{\sinh(\xi_{a}+\epsilon\mu_{b})\sinh(\xi_{a}-i\zeta+\epsilon\mu_{b})\right\}}{\prod_{a
$$\times \det_{N}\left[\frac{\sinh(-i\zeta)\sinh(\xi_{-}+\mu_{b})\sinh(2\xi_{a})}{\prod_{\epsilon=\pm}\sinh(\xi_{a}-i\zeta+\epsilon\mu_{b})\sinh(\xi_{a}+\epsilon\mu_{b})}\right]$$$$

so that

$$\frac{\langle \Psi_0 | \Pi_q(-\frac{\beta}{N}) | \Psi_{k_1} \rangle}{\langle \Psi_0 | \Pi_q(-\frac{\beta}{N}) | \Psi_0 \rangle} = \delta_{N,M} \frac{\mathcal{F}^{(-)}(\{\mu_j\}_1^N)}{\mathcal{F}^{(-)}(\{\lambda_j\}_1^N)}$$

#### Taking the Trotter limit

Can be done as usual:

for a given solution {μ<sub>a</sub>}<sup>M</sup><sub>1</sub> of the Bethe equations, introduce the counting function

$$\hat{\mathfrak{a}}(\xi|\{\mu_a\}_1^M) = e^{-\frac{h}{T}}(-1)^s \prod_{k=1}^M \frac{\sinh(i\zeta - \xi + \mu_k)}{\sinh(i\zeta + \xi - \mu_k)} \left[\frac{\sinh(\xi - \frac{\beta}{N})\sinh(i\zeta + \xi + \frac{\beta}{N})}{\sinh(\xi - \xi + \frac{\beta}{N})}\right]^N$$

with s = N - M, such that  $\hat{\mathfrak{a}}(\mu_j | \{\mu_a\}_1^M) = -1$ ,  $j = 1, \ldots, M$ .

• fix a domain 
$$\mathcal{D}$$
 with  $\mathcal{C} = \partial \mathcal{D}$ 

- which contains a neighbourhood of the origin (  $\rightarrow \pm \frac{\beta}{N} \in D$ )
- which contains all the Bethe roots {\lambda<sub>a</sub>}<sup>N</sup><sub>1</sub> of the dominant state but no other roots of 1 + â(\xi \{\lambda<sub>a</sub>\}<sup>N</sup><sub>1</sub>)
- characterize a sub-dominant eigenstate by
  - the set  $\hat{\mathcal{Y}} = {\hat{y}_j}$  of particule roots (Bethe roots outsite of  $\mathcal{D}$ ),
  - and the set  $\hat{\mathcal{X}} = {\hat{x}_j}$  of holes (solutions of  $\hat{\mathfrak{a}}(\xi | {\mu_a}_1^M) = -1$  which are not Bethe roots) inside  $\mathcal{D}$

 $\rightsquigarrow$  shortcut notation  $\hat{\mathfrak{a}}_{\mathbb{Y}}$  for the counting function of a state with a given configuration  $\mathbb{Y} = (\hat{\mathcal{X}}, \hat{\mathcal{Y}})$  of particles and holes

rewrite the QTM spectrum in terms of non-linear integral equations

[Klümper 92; Destri, de Vega. 92] satisfied by 
$$\hat{\mathfrak{a}}_{\mathbb{Y}}(\xi) = e^{\mathfrak{a}_{\mathbb{Y}}(\xi)}$$
:  
 $\hat{\mathfrak{A}}_{\mathbb{Y}}(\xi) = -\frac{h}{T} + \mathfrak{w}_N(\xi) - i\pi s + i \sum_{y \in \hat{\mathbb{Y}}} \theta(\xi - y) + \oint_{\mathcal{C}} K(\xi - u) \mathcal{L}n\Big[1 + e^{\hat{\mathfrak{A}}_{\mathbb{Y}}}\Big](u) du$ 

with

$$w_N(\xi) = N \ln \left( \frac{\sinh(\xi - \frac{\beta}{N})\sinh(\xi + \frac{\beta}{N} - i\zeta)}{\sinh(\xi + \frac{\beta}{N})\sinh(\xi - \frac{\beta}{N} - i\zeta)} \right)$$
$$\theta(\lambda) = i \ln \frac{\sinh(i\zeta + \lambda)}{\sinh(i\zeta - \lambda)} \qquad K(\lambda) = \frac{\theta'(\lambda)}{2\pi}$$

- rewrite the QTM form factors and boundary factors in terms of particles, holes, and appropriate contour integrals over C involving the counting function â<sub>Y</sub>(ξ)
- assuming that Â<sub>𝔅</sub> → <sub>N→+∞</sub> 𝔅<sub>𝔅</sub> pointwise on C, and the existence of the limit x<sub>j</sub> and y<sub>j</sub> of the particle and hole roots x̂<sub>j</sub> and ŷ<sub>j</sub> (see [Göhmann, Goomanee, Kozlowski, Suzuki 20]), one obtains an integral equation for 𝔅<sub>𝔅</sub>, and one can express the Trotter limit of the TQM form factors and boundary factors in terms of 𝔅<sub>𝔅</sub> and {x<sub>i</sub>} and {y<sub>i</sub>}

#### Result for the one-point function

$$\langle \sigma_{m+1}^z \rangle_T = \lim_{N \to \infty} \left[ 2 T \partial_{h'} D_m \mathcal{Q}_N(h', m) \right]_{h'=h}$$

with

$$\begin{split} D_{m} &= u_{m+1} - u_{m} \\ \mathcal{Q}_{N}(h',m) &= \sum_{\{\mu_{a}(h')\}_{1}^{N}} e^{\frac{N(h'-h)}{2T}} \left( \frac{\tau_{h'}(0|\{\mu_{a}(h')\}_{1}^{N})}{\tau_{h}(0|\{\lambda_{a}(h)\}_{1}^{N})} \right)^{m} \\ &\times \frac{\mathcal{F}^{(-)}(\{\mu_{a}(h')\}_{1}^{N})}{\mathcal{F}^{(-)}(\{\lambda_{a}(h)\}_{1}^{N})} \cdot \frac{\langle \Psi(\{\mu_{a}(h')\}_{1}^{N})|\Psi(\{\lambda_{a}(h)\}_{1}^{N})\rangle}{\langle \Psi(\{\mu_{a}(h')\}_{1}^{N})|\Psi(\{\mu_{a}(h')\}_{1}^{N})\rangle} \end{split}$$

leads to the thermal form-factor expansion:

$$\langle \sigma_{m+1}^{z} \rangle_{T} = 2T \partial_{h'} D_{m} \mathcal{Q}(h',m) \big|_{h'=h} \quad \text{with} \quad \mathcal{Q}(h',m) = \sum_{\substack{\text{particle/hole} \\ \text{configurations } \mathbb{Y}}} \left( \frac{\tau_{\mathbb{Y}}(0)}{\tau_{\emptyset}(0)} \right)^{m} \mathcal{A}_{h,h'}^{(z)}(\mathbb{Y})$$

and  $\mathcal{A}_{h,h'}^{(z)}(\mathbb{Y})$  can be decomposed into

- $\blacksquare$  a regular part (quite complicated, should have finite limit when  $\mathcal{T} \to 0^+)$
- $\blacksquare$  a singular part (should give power law behaviour when  $\mathcal{T} \to 0^+)$

#### To do: study the low temperature limit

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Construction of the transfer matrix eigenstates ?

 Under the constraint, construction of some Bethe states by means of a Vertex-IRF transformation [Fan et al. 96; Cao et al 03; Yang, Zhang 07; Filali, Kitanine 11] but problems in the ABA construction of "compatible" sets of Bethe states in H and H\*

 $\rightsquigarrow$  scalar products and correlation functions could not be computed

- Alternative methods of construction for general boundaries:
  - . Modified Bethe Ansatz [Belliard et al 13...]
  - . Separation of Variables [Frahm et al 10, Niccoli 12, Faldella et al 13...] In particular : connexion to generalized Bethe Ansatz (states and T-Q/Bethe equations) under the constraint

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 $+\ \text{computation}$  of the scalar products

#### Solution by SoV in the general case

 $\begin{array}{l} \mbox{Goal: identify a basis } \{ \mid h \, \rangle \}_{h \in \{0,1\}^L} \mbox{ of } \mathcal{H} \mbox{ and } \{ \langle \, h \, \mid \}_{h \in \{0,1\}^L} \mbox{ of } \mathcal{H}^* \mbox{, with } \\ \langle \, h \, \mid k \, \rangle \propto \frac{\delta_{h,k}}{V_h(\xi)} \end{array}$ 

which "separates the variables" for the transfer matrix spectral problem:

$$t(\lambda) \ket{\Psi_{ au}} = au(\lambda) \ket{\Psi_{ au}} \quad ext{with} \quad \ket{\Psi_{ au}} = \sum_{\mathbf{h} \in \{0,1\}^L} \psi_{ au}(\mathbf{h}) \ket{\mathbf{h}},$$

is solved by  $\psi_{\tau}(\mathbf{h}) = \prod_{n=1}^{L} Q_{\tau}(\xi_{n}^{(h_{n})}) \cdot V_{\mathbf{h}}(\xi)$ where  $Q_{\tau}$  and  $\tau$  are solution of a discrete version of Baxter's T-Q equation:  $\tau(x) Q_{\tau}(x) = \mathbf{A}(x) Q(x + \eta) + \mathbf{A}(-x) Q_{\tau}(x - \eta), \quad x \in \bigcup_{n=1}^{L} \{\xi_{n}^{(0)}, \xi_{n}^{(1)}\}$ 

- → can be constructed by a generalisation of Sklyanin's method [Sklyanin 85,90], see [Niccoli 12...], using Baxter's vertex-IRF transformation (or by some new more general approach [Maillet, Niccoli 19])
- $\rightarrow$  works only on an inhomogeneous deformation of the model:

 $T(\lambda) \longrightarrow T(\lambda; \xi_1, \ldots, \xi_L)$ 

such that the shifted inhomogeneity parameters  $\xi_n^{(h_n)} = \xi_n + \eta/2 - h_n\eta$ ,  $1 \le n \le L$ ,  $h_n \in \{0, 1\}$ , are all pairwise distincts

 $\rightarrow$  completeness/works for any K-matrices (not both proportional to identity)

#### Solution by Sklyanin's SoV approach: more details

**I** simplify the expression of  $t(\lambda) = tr\{K^+(\lambda)U(\lambda)\}$ : use (a trigonometric version of) Baxter's Vertex-IRF transformation to pseudo-diagonalize  $K^+$ 

 $R_{12}(\lambda-\mu) S_1(\lambda|\alpha,\beta) S_2(\mu|\alpha,\beta+\sigma_1^z) = S_2(\mu|\alpha,\beta) S_1(\lambda|\alpha,\beta+\sigma_2^z) R_{12}^{SOS}(\lambda-\mu|\beta)$ 

with

$$S(\lambda|\alpha,\beta) = \begin{cases} \begin{pmatrix} e^{\lambda-\eta(\beta+\alpha)} & e^{\lambda+\eta(\beta-\alpha)} \\ 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} & (XXZ \text{ case}) \\ \begin{pmatrix} \vartheta_2(\lambda-(\alpha+\beta)\eta) & \vartheta_2(\lambda-(\alpha-\beta)\eta) \\ \vartheta_3(\lambda-(\alpha+\beta)\eta) & \vartheta_3(\lambda-(\alpha-\beta)\eta) \end{pmatrix} & (XYZ \text{ case}) & \vartheta_i(\lambda) = \theta_i(\lambda|2\omega) \end{cases}$$

→ gauged transformed boundary monodromy matrix:

$$\begin{split} \mathcal{U}(\lambda|\alpha,\beta) &= S^{-1}(\eta/2 - \lambda|\alpha,\beta) \mathcal{U}(\lambda) \, S(\lambda - \eta/2|\alpha,\beta) \\ &= \begin{pmatrix} \mathcal{A}(\lambda|\alpha,\beta) & \mathcal{B}(\lambda|\alpha,\beta) \\ \mathcal{C}(\lambda|\alpha,\beta) & \mathcal{D}(\lambda|\alpha,\beta) \end{pmatrix} \qquad \begin{cases} \beta : \text{dynamical parameter} \\ \alpha : \text{arbitrary shift} \end{cases} \end{split}$$

 **2** construct a SoV basis which pseudo-diagonalises  $\mathcal{B}(\lambda|\alpha,\beta)$ :

$$\begin{split} |\mathbf{h}\rangle &\equiv |\mathbf{h}, \alpha, \beta + 1\rangle_{\mathrm{Sk}} \text{ and } \langle \mathbf{h} | \equiv {}_{\mathrm{Sk}}\!\langle \, \alpha, \beta - 1, \mathbf{h} \, |, \\ \text{for } \mathbf{h} &\equiv (h_1, \dots, h_L) \in \{0, 1\}^L, \text{ such that} \\ \mathcal{B}(\lambda | \alpha, \beta - 1) \, | \, \mathbf{h}, \alpha, \beta - 1\rangle_{\mathrm{Sk}} &= \mathsf{b}_R(\lambda | \alpha, \beta) \, \mathsf{a}_{\mathbf{h}}(\lambda) \, \mathsf{a}_{\mathbf{h}}(-\lambda) \, | \, \mathbf{h}, \alpha, \beta + 1\rangle_{\mathrm{Sk}}, \\ {}_{\mathrm{Sk}}\!\langle \, \alpha, \beta + 1, \mathbf{h} \, | \, \mathcal{B}(\lambda | \alpha, \beta + 1) = \mathsf{b}_L(\lambda | \alpha, \beta) \, \mathsf{a}_{\mathbf{h}}(\lambda) \, \mathsf{a}_{\mathbf{h}}(-\lambda) \, {}_{\mathrm{Sk}}\!\langle \, \alpha, \beta - 1, \mathbf{h} \, |, \end{split}$$

where 
$$a_{\mathbf{h}}(\lambda) = \prod_{n=1}^{L} \phi(\lambda - \xi_n^{(h_n)})$$
  $\phi(\lambda) = \begin{cases} \sinh(\lambda) & (XXZ \text{ case}) \\ \theta_1(\lambda) & (XYZ \text{ case}) \end{cases}$   
with  $\xi_n^{(h_n)} = \xi_n + \eta/2 - h_n \eta$ ,

+ orthogonality condition:

$${}_{\mathrm{Sk}}\langle \,\alpha,\beta-1,\mathsf{h}\,|\,\mathsf{k},\alpha,\beta+1\,\rangle_{\mathrm{Sk}} \propto \frac{\partial_{\mathsf{h},\mathsf{k}}}{V_{\mathsf{h}}(\boldsymbol{\xi})}$$
  
with  $V_{\mathsf{h}}(\boldsymbol{\xi}) = V(\xi_1^{(h_1)},\ldots,\xi_L^{(h_L)}) = \prod_{1 \leq i,j \leq L} \phi(\xi_i^{(h_i)} - \xi_j^{(h_j)})\phi(\xi_i^{(h_i)} + \xi_j^{(h_j)})$ 

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*Remark*: This construction needs  $[K^{-}(\lambda | \alpha, \beta)]_{12} \neq 0$ 

#### Spectrum and eigenstates by SoV

Eigenstates are special cases of separate states:

$$t(\lambda) | \Psi_{\tau} \rangle = \tau(\lambda) | \Psi_{\tau} \rangle \quad \text{with} \quad | \Psi_{\tau} \rangle = \sum_{\mathbf{h} \in \{0,1\}^L} \prod_{n=1}^L Q_{\tau}(\boldsymbol{\xi}_n^{(h_n)}) V_{\mathbf{h}}(\boldsymbol{\xi}) | \mathbf{h} \rangle,$$

where  $Q_{\tau}$  and  $\tau$  are solution of a discrete T-Q equation:

$$\tau(x) Q_{\tau}(x) = \mathbf{A}(x) Q(x+\eta) + \mathbf{A}(-x) Q_{\tau}(x-\eta), \quad x \in \bigcup_{n=1}^{L} \{\xi_{n}^{(0)}, \xi_{n}^{(1)}\}$$

can always be rewritten in terms of solutions of the form

$$Q(\lambda) = \prod_{j=1}^{L} \phi(\lambda - \lambda_j)\phi(\lambda + \lambda_j) \qquad \phi(\lambda) = \begin{cases} \sinh(\lambda) & (XXZ \text{ case}) \\ \theta_1(\lambda) & (XYZ \text{ case}) \end{cases}$$

of a continuous T-Q equation with additional term (cf. off-diagonal BA):  $\tau(\lambda) Q(\lambda) = \mathbf{A}(\lambda) Q(\lambda - \eta) + \mathbf{A}(-\lambda) Q(\lambda + \eta) + \mathbf{F}(\lambda),$ 

with  $\mathbf{F}(\xi_n^{(0)}) = \mathbf{F}(\xi_n^{(1)}) = 0, n = 1, \dots, N \ (\rightarrow \text{ completeness})$ 

• under the constraint (for a given  $M \le L$  & given signs), part of the spectrum/eigenstates can be rewritten in terms of solutions

$$Q(\lambda) = \prod_{j=1}^{M} \phi(\lambda - \lambda_j) \phi(\lambda + \lambda_j) \qquad \phi(\lambda) = \begin{cases} \sinh(\lambda) & (XXZ \text{ case}) \\ \theta_1(\lambda) & (XYZ \text{ case}) \end{cases}$$

of the usual (i.e. continuous, without additional term) T-Q equation  $\rightarrow$  in terms of usual Bethe equations

#### Computation of scalar products

Eigenstates are special cases of separate states :

$$\langle P | = \sum_{\mathbf{h}} \prod_{n=1}^{L} [f(\xi_n)^{h_n} P(\xi_n^{(h_n)})] V_{1-\mathbf{h}}(\xi) \langle \mathbf{h} |, \quad | Q \rangle = \sum_{\mathbf{h}} \prod_{n=1}^{L} Q(\xi_n^{(h_n)}) V_{\mathbf{h}}(\xi) | \mathbf{h} \rangle$$
  
where P and Q are arbitrary functions

The scalar products of separate states can be expressed (by construction) as determinants:

However non directly usable for the consideration of the homogeneous/thermodynamic limit...

• For *P* and *Q* of the form  $\prod_{j=1}^{M} \phi(\lambda - \lambda_j)\phi(\lambda + \lambda_j)$ , and under the constraint, these determinants can be transformed into more usual Slavnov-type determinants both in the open XXZ [Kitanine, Maillet, Niccoli, VT 18] or open XYZ case [Niccoli, VT 24]

#### Eigenstates as generalised Bethe states

In the range of Sklyanin's approach, separate states can be reformulated as generalised Bethe states:

$$| \, Q \, 
angle_{ ext{Sk}} \propto \prod_{j=1 o M} \mathcal{B}(\lambda_j | lpha, eta - 2j + 1) \, | \, \Omega_{lpha,eta + 1 - 2M} \, 
angle_{ ext{Sk}}$$

$$_{\mathrm{Sk}} \langle \mathcal{Q} \mid \propto _{\mathrm{Sk}} \langle \Omega_{lpha,eta-1+2M} \mid \prod_{j=1 
ightarrow M} \mathcal{B}(\lambda_j \mid lpha,eta+2M-2j+1)$$

for any 
$$Q(\lambda) = \prod_{j=1}^{M} \phi(\lambda - \lambda_j)\phi(\lambda + \lambda_j)$$
  
with  $|\Omega_{\alpha,\beta+1-2M}\rangle_{Sk}$  and  $_{Sk}\langle\Omega_{\alpha,\beta-1+2M}|$  special separate states

With the special choice of α, β diagonalising K<sup>+</sup>, and under the constraint, the reference state | Ω<sub>α,β+1-2M</sub> > can be identified with the reference state of the generalized ABA construction of [Fan et al 96; Cao et al 03]:

$$|\eta, \alpha + \beta + L - 1 - 2M\rangle \equiv \prod_{n=1}^{L} S_n(-\xi_n | \alpha, \beta + n - 1 - 2M) | 0\rangle$$

up to a proportionality coefficient which only depends on M

## Computation of correlation functions: general strategy

Compute 
$$\langle O_{1 \to m} \rangle \equiv \frac{\langle Q | O_{1 \to m} | Q \rangle}{\langle Q | Q \rangle}$$
 for  $| Q \rangle$  = eigenstate described by homogeneous TQ-equation and  $O_{1 \to m} \in \operatorname{End}(\otimes_{n=1}^{m} \mathcal{H}_n)$  acts on sites 1 to *m*?

**1** rewrite 
$$|Q\rangle$$
 as a generalized Bethe state  
$$\prod_{j=1 \to M} \mathcal{B}(\lambda_j | \alpha, \beta - 2j + 1) | \eta, \alpha + \beta + L - 1 - 2M \rangle$$

- 2 use a similar strategy as in the diagonal case [Kitanine et al. 07] to act with  $O_{1 \rightarrow m}$  on this Bethe state, i.e.
  - . decompose the boundary Bethe state as a sum of bulk Bethe states
  - . use the solution of the bulk inverse problem to act with local operators on bulk Bethe states
  - reconstruct the result of this action as sums over boundary Bethe states, and hence as a sum over separate states
- 3 compute the resulting scalar products using the determinant representation for the scalar products of separate states issued from SOV

but difficulties due to the use in all the steps of 2 of a gauged transformed boundary/bulk YB algebra !

#### Difficulties due to use of the gauged algebra

• the action of the usual basis of local operators given by  $E_n^{i,j} \in \operatorname{End}(\mathcal{H}_n)$  (such that  $(E^{i,j})_{k,\ell} = \delta_{i,k} \, \delta_{j,\ell}$ ) is very intricate on the gauged bulk Bethe states

 $\rightsquigarrow$  identification of a basis of  $\operatorname{End}(\otimes_{n=1}^{m}\mathcal{H}_n)$  whose action is simpler to compute:

$$\mathbb{E}_m(\alpha,\beta) = \left\{ \prod_{n=1}^m E_n^{\epsilon'_n,\epsilon_n}(\xi_n|(a_n,b_n),(\bar{a}_n,\bar{b}_n)) \mid \epsilon,\epsilon' \in \{1,2\}^m \right\},\$$

where  $E_n^{\epsilon'_n,\epsilon_n}(\lambda|(a_n, b_n), (\bar{a}_n, \bar{b}_n))) = S_n(-\lambda|\bar{a}_n, \bar{b}_n) E_n^{\epsilon'_n,\epsilon_n} S_n^{-1}(-\lambda|a_n, b_n)$ and the gauge parameters  $a_n, \bar{a}_n, b_n, \bar{b}_n, 1 \leq n \leq m$ , are fixed in terms of  $\alpha, \beta$  and of the *m*-tuples  $\epsilon \equiv (\epsilon_1, \ldots, \epsilon_m)$  and  $\epsilon' \equiv (\epsilon'_1, \ldots, \epsilon'_m)$  as

$$a_n = \alpha + 1, \qquad b_n = \beta - \sum_{r=1}^n (-1)^{\epsilon_r},$$
  

$$\bar{a}_n = \alpha - 1, \qquad \bar{b}_n = \beta + \sum_{r=n+1}^m (-1)^{\epsilon'_r} - \sum_{r=1}^m (-1)^{\epsilon_r} = b_n + 2\tilde{m}_{n+1},$$
  
with  $\tilde{m}_n = \sum_{r=n}^m (\epsilon'_r - \epsilon_r).$ 

 $\rightsquigarrow$  compute "elementary building blocks"  $\langle \prod_{n=1}^{m} E_n^{\epsilon'_n,\epsilon_n}(\xi_n|(a_n,b_n),(\bar{a}_n,\bar{b}_n)) \rangle$ 

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• the action of  $\prod_{n=1}^{m} E_n^{\epsilon'_n, \epsilon_n}(\xi_n | (a_n, b_n), (\bar{a}_n, \bar{b}_n))$  for

$$\sum_{r=1}^{m} (\epsilon_r' - \epsilon_r) \neq 0$$

on the Bethe state

$$\prod_{i=1 \to M} \mathcal{B}(\lambda_{j} | \alpha, \beta - 2j + 1) | \eta, \alpha + \beta + N - 1 - 2M \rangle$$

produces a Bethe state with different number of B-operators and shifted gauge parameter  $\beta$ 

- ---- we don't know how to express it simply in terms of separate states
- $\rightsquigarrow$  the expression of the resulting scalar product is not known in that case

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→ we had to restrict our study to the computation of "elementary blocks"  $\langle \prod_{n=1}^{m} E_n^{\epsilon'_n, \epsilon_n}(\xi_n | (a_n, b_n), (\bar{a}_n, \bar{b}_n)) \rangle$  for which

$$\sum_{r=1}(\epsilon_r'-\epsilon_r)=0$$

#### Hypothesis on the ground state

Based on Nepomechie-Ravanini's conjecture, we suppose that we are in a configuration of boundary fields such that the homogeneous TQ-equation yields the ground state close to half-filling

- $\rightsquigarrow$  the constraint can be maintained when taking the limit  $L \rightarrow \infty$
- $\rightsquigarrow$  the Bethe equations are very similar to the diagonal case:

$$\frac{a(-\lambda_j) d(\lambda_j)}{a(\lambda_j) d(-\lambda_j)} \prod_{\substack{\sigma=\pm\\i\in\{1,2\}}} \frac{\sinh(\lambda_j + \check{\lambda}_{\sigma,i}^{(0)})}{\sinh(\lambda_j - \check{\lambda}_{\sigma,i}^{(0)})} \prod_{\substack{k=1\\k\neq j}}^M \prod_{\sigma=\pm} \frac{\sinh(\lambda_j - \sigma\lambda_k + \eta)}{\sinh(\lambda_j - \sigma\lambda_k - \eta)} = 1, \quad j = 1, \dots, M$$

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except for the boundary factor  $\rightarrow$  4 boundary parameters instead of 2:

$$\check{\lambda}_{\sigma,1}^{(0)} = \eta/2 - \epsilon_{\varphi_{\sigma}}\varphi_{\sigma}, \quad \check{\lambda}_{\sigma,2}^{(0)} = \eta/2 - \sigma\epsilon_{\varphi_{\sigma}}\psi_{\sigma} + i\frac{\pi}{2}, \quad \sigma = \pm$$

 $\rightsquigarrow$  G.S. described when  $L \rightarrow \infty$  by the same density  $\rho(\lambda)$  of "real" Bethe roots over the same Fermi zone  $[-\Lambda, \Lambda]$  as in the diagonal case + possibly isolated "complex" roots (boundary roots) of the form

$$\check{\lambda}_{\sigma,i} = \check{\lambda}_{\sigma,i}^{(0)} + \varepsilon_{\sigma,i}, \quad \sigma = \pm, \quad i \in \{1,2\}, \quad \varepsilon_{\sigma,i} = O(L^{-\infty})$$

 $\rightarrow$  4 possible boundary roots instead of 2

#### "Elementary building blocks" in the ground state

As in the diagonal case, the result is given as a multiple sum over scalar products, which turn in the half-infinite chain limit into multiple integrals over the Fermi zone  $[-\Lambda, \Lambda]$  on which the Bethe roots condensate with density  $\rho(\lambda)$  + possible contribution of the two (instead of one in the diagonal case) boundary roots  $\check{\lambda}_{-,i}$ , i = 1, 2 corresponding to the 2 boundary parameters at site 1

$$\langle \prod_{n=1}^{m} E_{n}^{\epsilon'_{n},\epsilon_{n}}(\xi_{n}|(a_{n},b_{n}),(\bar{a}_{n},\bar{b}_{n}))\rangle = \prod_{n=1}^{m} \frac{e^{\eta}}{\sinh(\eta b_{n})} \frac{(-1)^{s}}{\prod_{j$$

The contours C and  $C_{\xi}$  are defined as

 $\mathcal{C} = [-\Lambda, \Lambda] \cup \Gamma_{BR}, \qquad \mathcal{C}_{\boldsymbol{\xi}} = \mathcal{C} \cup \Gamma(\{\xi_k^{(1)}\}_{k=1}^m)$ 

where  $\Gamma_{BR}$  surrounds with index 1 the point(s)  $\check{\lambda}_{-,i}^{(0)}$  iff the set of Bethe roots for the GS contains the boundary root(s)  $\check{\lambda}_{-,i}$ , and  $\Gamma(\{\xi_k^{(1)}\}_{k=1}^m)$  the points  $\xi_1^{(1)}, \ldots, \xi_m^{(1)}$ , all other poles being outside.

#### Conclusion, perspectives and open problems

**1** thermal form factor expansion of finite-temperature correlation functions

- to be done : the low temperature limit (difficulties : complicated representation of (part of) the boundary factor, can it be simplified ?)
   → explicit dependence on *m* of the magnetization at distance *m* from the boundary at *T* = 0 ?
- 2 multiple integral representation for some matrix elements of the open XXZ chain with non-longitudinal boundary fields (case with a constraint)

• compute more general matrix elements with  $\sum_{r=1}^{m} (\epsilon'_r - \epsilon_r) \neq 0$  ?

 $\rightarrow$  the action modifies the number of B-operators in the Bethe states and shifts the dynamical parameter  $\beta$ 

 $\rightarrow$  no simple known expression of the resulting state in terms of separate states

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 $\rightarrow$  no known formula for the resulting scalar product

case without constraint ?