

# Exact solvability of the 1D polynomial Schrödinger equation

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- Traditional view (in any dimension):
  - $N = 2$  exactly solvable (harmonic oscillator),
  - $N \neq 2$  are not:
    - Airy equation for  $N = 1$  (more transcendental than  $N = 2$ )
    - anharmonic oscillator for  $N \geq 3$   
(workhorse for perturbative, semiclassical ... methods).

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- Recent view (in 1 dimension):

## AN EXACTLY SOLVABLE PROBLEM IN ANY DEGREE

by an **exact WKB** method (backed by **zeta-regularization**), through **exact Bohr–Sommerfeld** quantization formulae (selfconsistent:  $\approx$  **Bethe Ansatz**)

Pioneers ( $\sim$  1975) : Balian–Bloch, Dingle, Leray, Sibuya, Zinn-Justin.

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- Initial equation:

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- **Conjugate** equations:

$$V^{[\ell]}(q) \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} e^{-i\ell\varphi} V(e^{-i\ell\varphi/2} q), \quad \lambda^{[\ell]} \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} e^{-i\ell\varphi} \lambda$$

for  $\ell = 0, 1, \dots, L-1 \pmod{L}$

with

$$\boxed{\varphi \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \frac{4\pi}{N+2}}$$

Number of distinct conjugates :  $L = \begin{cases} N+2 & \text{generically} \\ \frac{N}{2} + 1 & \text{for even polynomials } V(q) \end{cases}$

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- **(Generalized) zeta functions:**

$$Z^{\pm}(s, \lambda) \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \sum_k \begin{matrix} \text{even} \\ \text{odd} \end{matrix} (E_k + \lambda)^{-s} \quad (\text{convergent for } \text{Re } s > \mu)$$

$$\text{and } Z \equiv Z^+ + Z^- \quad (\text{full}), \quad Z^{\text{P}} \equiv Z^+ - Z^- \quad (\text{skew}),$$

meromorphic in the whole  $s$ -plane, regular at  $s = 0$ .

- **Spectral determinants** (zeta-regularized), entire functions of  $\lambda$ :

$$D^{\pm}(\lambda) \equiv D(\lambda | \mathcal{E}_{\pm}) \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \exp[-\partial_s Z^{\pm}(s, \lambda)]_{s=0}$$

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For instance,  $D(\lambda) \equiv \det(\hat{H} + \lambda) = \prod_k (\lambda + E_k)$ :

$D(\lambda)$  is an **entire** function in  $\lambda$ , of finite order  $= \mu$ , and whose logarithm has

- a **structure equation**:

$$\log D(\lambda) \equiv \lim_{K \rightarrow +\infty} \left\{ \sum_{k < K} \log(E_k + \lambda) + \frac{1}{2} \log(E_K + \lambda) - \sum_{\{\alpha > 0\}} b_{\alpha} E_K^{\alpha} \left[ \log E_K - \frac{1}{\alpha} \right] \right\},$$

*counterterms*

- and a **canonical** large- $\lambda$  (*generalized Stirling*) expansion, of order  $\mu$  :

$$\log D(\lambda) \sim \sum_{\alpha} a_{\alpha} \{\lambda^{\alpha}\}, \quad \{\lambda^{\alpha}\} \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \lambda^{\alpha} \quad (\alpha \notin \mathbb{N}), \quad \{\lambda^1\} \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \lambda(\log \lambda - 1), \quad \{\lambda^0\} \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \log \lambda;$$

*banned*: pure  $\lambda^n$  ( $n \in \mathbb{N}$ ) terms, including **additive constants** ( $\propto \lambda^0$ ).

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Trick: 
$$= \left[ \underbrace{\int_q^{+\infty} (V(q') + \lambda)^{1/2 - s} dq'}_{I_q(s, \lambda)} \right]_{s \rightsquigarrow 0} \quad (\text{convergent for } \text{Re } s > \mu)$$

(analytical continuation in  $s$ ): fine if  $I_q(s, \lambda)$  is **regular** at  $s = 0$ , which is often true.  
Still, in full generality,

$$(V(q) + \lambda)^{1/2-s} \sim \sum_{\rho} \beta_{\rho}(s) q^{\rho-Ns} \quad (\rho = \frac{N}{2}, \frac{N}{2}-1, \dots) \quad (q \rightarrow +\infty)$$

$$\Rightarrow \underbrace{\int_q^{+\infty} (V(q') + \lambda)^{1/2-s} dq'}_{I_q(s, \lambda)} \sim - \sum_{\rho} \beta_{\rho}(s) \frac{q^{\rho+1-Ns}}{\rho+1-Ns} \quad (\text{singular expansion})$$

thus  $I_q(s, \lambda)$  has at most a simple pole at  $s = 0$ , of residue  $\boxed{\frac{1}{N} \beta_{-1}(s=0)}$

$$\beta_{-1}(s) \text{ (“residual” polynomial)} \begin{cases} \equiv 0 : & \mathbf{N}ormal \text{ case} \\ \not\equiv 0 : & \mathbf{A}nomaly \text{ case} \end{cases}$$

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# CANONICAL normalization of recessive solution

$$\log D_{\text{cl}}(\lambda) = \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} \Pi_\lambda(q) dq = \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} (V(q) + \lambda)^{1/2} dq ?$$

( $N > 2$  for simplicity.) Then,

$$\frac{d}{d\lambda} \log D_{\text{cl}}(\lambda) = \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} \frac{1}{2} (V(q) + \lambda)^{-1/2} dq$$

&

$$\log D_{\text{cl}}(\lambda) \sim \text{CANONICAL} \quad \text{for } \lambda \rightarrow +\infty$$

(= no pure  $\lambda^0$  terms in large- $\lambda$  expansion)

fully specify **improper** action integral, giving  $[I_q(s, \lambda) = \int_q^{+\infty} (V(q') + \lambda)^{1/2 - s} dq']$

$$\boxed{\int_q^{+\infty} \Pi_\lambda(q') dq' \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \text{FP}_{s=0} I_q(s, \lambda) + 2(1 - \log 2) \beta_{-1}(0)/N.}$$

Still *additive*:  $\int_q^{+\infty} \Pi_\lambda(q') dq' = \int_q^{q''} \Pi_\lambda(q') dq' + \int_{q''}^{+\infty} \Pi_\lambda(q') dq'$  for finite  $q, q''$

(as  $\int_q^{q''} \Pi_\lambda(q') dq' \sim (q'' - q) \lambda^{1/2} + O(\lambda^{-1/2})$  is **canonical**).

Simplest examples:

$$\int_0^{+\infty} (q^4 + vq^2)^{1/2} dq = -\frac{1}{3} v^{3/2} \quad \mathbf{N}$$

$$\int_0^{+\infty} (q^N + \lambda)^{1/2} dq = -(2\sqrt{\pi})^{-1} \Gamma(\frac{1}{2} + \mu) \Gamma(-\mu) \lambda^\mu \quad (N \neq 2) \quad \boxed{\mu \equiv \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{N}} \quad \mathbf{N}$$

$$\int_0^{+\infty} (q^2 + \lambda)^{1/2} dq = -\frac{1}{4} \lambda(\log \lambda - 1) \quad (N = 2) \quad \mathbf{A}$$

Even quartic oscillator ( $v, \lambda \geq 0$  for simplicity):

$$\int_0^{+\infty} (q^4 + vq^2 + \lambda)^{1/2} dq =$$

$$(v \geq 2\sqrt{\lambda}) : \quad = \frac{1}{3} (v + 2\sqrt{\lambda})^{1/2} [2\sqrt{\lambda} K(k) - vE(k)], \quad k = \left( \frac{v - 2\sqrt{\lambda}}{v + 2\sqrt{\lambda}} \right)^{1/2};$$

$$(v \leq 2\sqrt{\lambda}) : \quad = \frac{1}{3} \lambda^{1/4} [(2\sqrt{\lambda} + v)K(\tilde{k}) - 2vE(\tilde{k})], \quad \tilde{k} = \frac{(2\sqrt{\lambda} - v)^{1/2}}{2\lambda^{1/4}}$$

( $K(k), E(k)$  : complete elliptic integrals).

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## The Wronskian identity

- Exact solution  $\psi_\lambda(q)$ , recessive for  $q \rightarrow +\infty$  (WKB specification):

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- Adjacent conjugate solution, recessive for  $q \rightarrow +e^{-i\varphi/2}\infty$  :

$$\Psi_\lambda(q) \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \psi_{\lambda^{[1]}}^{[1]}(e^{i\varphi/2} q)$$

- All  $q \rightarrow +\infty$  expansions ( $\psi_\lambda(q)$ ,  $\psi'_\lambda(q)$ ,  $\Psi_\lambda(q)$ ,  $\Psi'_\lambda(q)$ ) **fully known**, e.g.,

$$\psi_\lambda(q) \sim e^{\mathcal{C}} q^{-N/4 - \beta_{-1}(0)} \exp \left\{ - \sum_{\{\sigma > 0\}} \beta_{\sigma-1}(0) \frac{q^\sigma}{\sigma} \right\}, \quad \mathcal{C} = \frac{1}{N} \left[ (-2 \log 2 + \partial_s) \frac{\beta_{-1}(s)}{1-2s} \right]_{s=0}$$

$$\vdots$$

$\implies$  **Explicit Wronskian** (evaluated in  $q \rightarrow +\infty$  limit):

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Plus the **basic exact identities:**

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 D^+(\lambda) \equiv -\psi'_\lambda(0) & \Updownarrow & D^-(\lambda) \equiv \psi_\lambda(0) \\
 \searrow & & \swarrow \\
 -e^{-i\varphi/4} D(\lambda | \mathcal{E}_+) D(e^{-i\varphi} \lambda | \mathcal{E}_-^{[1]}) + e^{+i\varphi/4} D(e^{-i\varphi} \lambda | \mathcal{E}_+^{[1]}) D(\lambda | \mathcal{E}_-) & \equiv & 2i e^{+i\varphi\beta_{-1}(0)/2}
 \end{array}$$



## Exact quantization condition?

$$e^{+i\varphi/4} D(e^{-i\varphi} \lambda | \mathcal{E}_+^{[1]}) D(\lambda | \mathcal{E}_-) - e^{-i\varphi/4} D(\lambda | \mathcal{E}_+) D(e^{-i\varphi} \lambda | \mathcal{E}_-^{[1]}) \equiv 2i e^{+i\varphi\beta_{-1}(0)/2}$$

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$$\boxed{\varphi = \pi \quad \beta_{-1} = \lambda/2}$$

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unknowns **real**, hence identity **splits**:

$$\cos \pi/4 [D^+(-\lambda) D^-(\lambda) - D^+(\lambda) D^-(-\lambda)] = -2 \sin \pi\lambda/4$$

$$\sin \pi/4 [D^+(-\lambda) D^-(\lambda) + D^+(\lambda) D^-(-\lambda)] = +2 \cos \pi\lambda/4$$

$$\implies D^+(\lambda) D^-(-\lambda) = 2 \cos \pi(\lambda-1)/4$$

*zeros* :  $\dots, -9, -5, -1, +3, +7, +11, \dots$

$$\implies D^+(\lambda) = \frac{2^{-\lambda/2} 2\sqrt{\pi}}{\Gamma(\frac{1+\lambda}{4})} \quad D^-(\lambda) = \frac{2^{-\lambda/2} \sqrt{\pi}}{\Gamma(\frac{3+\lambda}{4})}$$

• Same for  $\left[-\frac{d^2}{dq^2} + (q^N + \Lambda q^{\frac{N}{2}-1})\right] \psi(q) = 0$

(zero-energy generalized eigenvalue problem),

likewise exactly solvable (**supersymmetric**)

with  $\boxed{\nu \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \frac{1}{N+2}}$ :

$$D_N^+(\Lambda) = -\frac{2^{-\Lambda/N} (4\nu)^{\nu(\Lambda+1)+1/2} \Gamma(-2\nu)}{\Gamma(\nu(\Lambda-1) + 1/2)}$$

$$D_N^-(\Lambda) = \frac{2^{-\Lambda/N} (4\nu)^{\nu(\Lambda-1)+1/2} \Gamma(2\nu)}{\Gamma(\nu(\Lambda+1) + 1/2)}$$

Furthermore, now over the whole real line (for  $N$  even),

$$\det \left[ -\frac{d^2}{dq^2} + (q^N + \Lambda q^{\frac{N}{2}-1}) \right] = \begin{cases} D_N^+(\Lambda) D_N^-(\Lambda) & \text{if } N \equiv 2 \pmod{4} \\ \frac{1}{\sin \pi \nu} \cos \pi \nu \Lambda & \text{if } N \equiv 0 \pmod{4} \end{cases}$$

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$$\implies \frac{D(e^{-i\varphi} \lambda | \mathcal{E}_+^{[+1]})}{D(e^{+i\varphi} \lambda | \mathcal{E}_+^{[-1]})} = -e^{i[-\varphi/2 + \varphi\beta_{-1}(0)]} \quad \left( \varphi \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \frac{4\pi}{N+2} \right)$$

$$2 \arg D(-e^{-i\varphi} E | \mathcal{E}_+^{[+1]}) - \varphi \beta_{-1}(0) = \pi \left[ k + \frac{1}{2} + \frac{N-2}{2(N+2)} \right] \quad \text{for } k = 2n \geq 0$$

# Exact quantization condition

For odd spectrum  $\mathcal{E}_-$ :  $\lambda = -E_{2n+1} \iff D(\lambda | \mathcal{E}_-) = 0$

$$e^{+i\varphi/4} D(e^{-i\varphi} \lambda | \mathcal{E}_+^{[1]}) D(\lambda | \mathcal{E}_-) - e^{-i\varphi/4} D(\lambda | \mathcal{E}_+) D(e^{-i\varphi} \lambda | \mathcal{E}_-^{[1]}) \equiv 2i e^{+i\varphi\beta_{-1}(0)/2}$$

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$$\implies \frac{D(e^{-i\varphi} \lambda | \mathcal{E}_-^{[+1]})}{D(e^{+i\varphi} \lambda | \mathcal{E}_-^{[-1]})} = -e^{i[+\varphi/2 + \varphi\beta_{-1}(0)]} \quad \left( \varphi \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \frac{4\pi}{N+2} \right)$$

$$2 \arg D(-e^{-i\varphi} E | \mathcal{E}_-^{[+1]}) - \varphi\beta_{-1}(0) = \pi \left[ k + \frac{1}{2} - \frac{N-2}{2(N+2)} \right] \quad \text{for } k = 2n+1 > 0$$

# Complete set of exact quantization conditions

(for all conjugate,  $\begin{smallmatrix} \text{even} \\ \text{odd} \end{smallmatrix}$  spectra  $\mathcal{E}_{\pm}^{[\ell]}$ )

$$\frac{1}{i} \left[ \log D(-e^{-i\varphi} E \mid \mathcal{E}_{\pm}^{[\ell+1]}) - \log D(-e^{+i\varphi} E \mid \mathcal{E}_{\pm}^{[\ell-1]}) \right] - (-1)^{\ell} \varphi \beta_{-1}(0)$$

$$= \pi \left[ k + \frac{1}{2} \begin{smallmatrix} + \\ - \end{smallmatrix} \frac{N-2}{2(N+2)} \right] \quad \text{for } k = \begin{smallmatrix} 0,2,4,\dots \\ 1,3,5,\dots \end{smallmatrix} \quad \ell = 0, 1, \dots, L-1 \pmod{L}$$

+ structure equations:

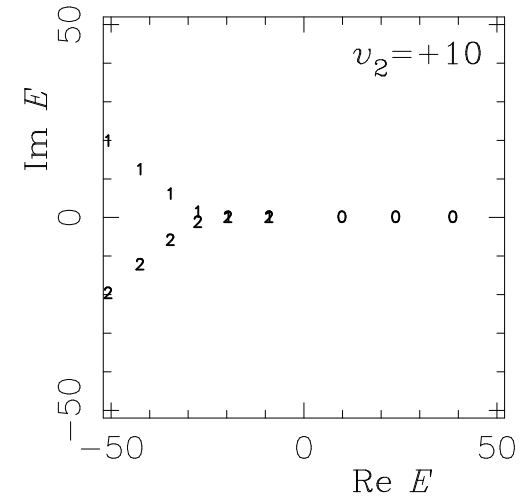
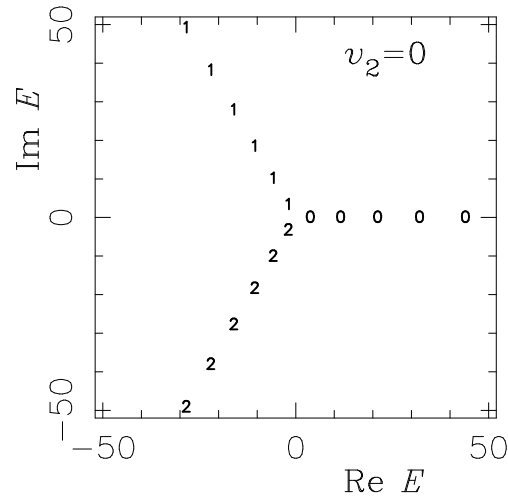
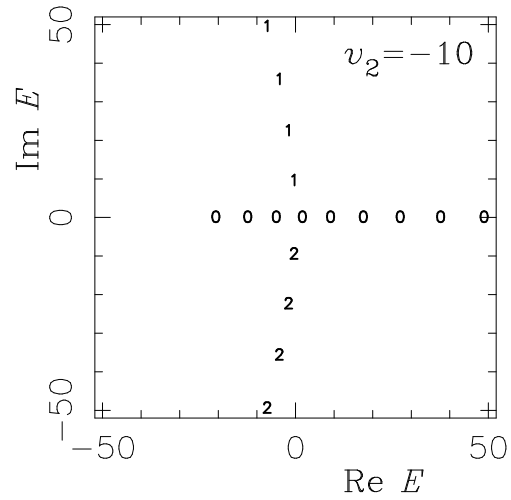
$$\log D(\lambda \mid \mathcal{E}_{\pm}^{[\ell]}) \equiv \lim_{K \rightarrow +\infty} \left\{ \sum_{k < K} \log(E_k^{[\ell]} + \lambda) + \frac{1}{2} \log(E_K^{[\ell]} + \lambda) \right.$$

$$\left. \begin{matrix} (k, K \begin{smallmatrix} \text{even} \\ \text{odd} \end{smallmatrix}) & - \sum_{\{\alpha > 0\}} \frac{1}{2} b_{\alpha}^{[\ell]} \left[ E_K^{[\ell]} \right]^{\alpha} (\log E_K^{[\ell]} - 1/\alpha) \end{matrix} \right\}$$

altogether define a formally **complete** set of **fixed-point conditions**

$$(\mathcal{M}^{\pm} \{\mathcal{E}_{\pm}^{[\ell]}\} = \{\mathcal{E}_{\pm}^{[\ell]}\} \text{ for some mappings } \mathcal{M}^{\pm}).$$

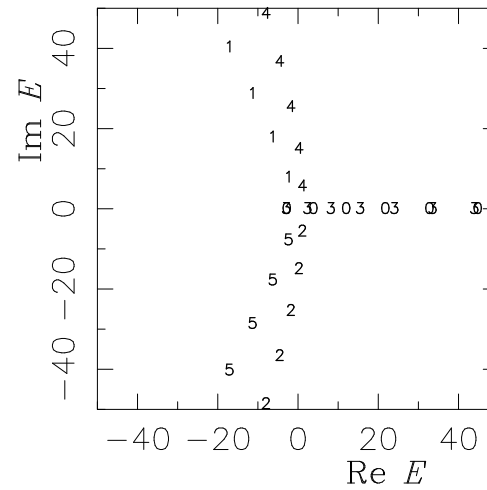
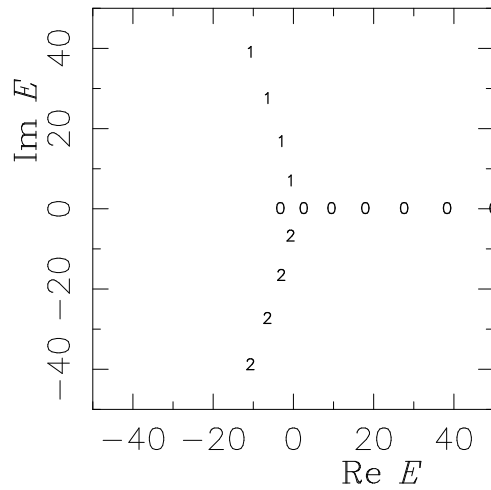
The three conjugate (odd, and rotated) spectra for  $V(q) = q^4 + v_2 q^2$



Same for

$$V(q) = q^4 - 5q^2$$

$$V(q) \approx q^4 + q^3 - 4.625q^2 - 2.4375q$$



Homogeneous case  $V(q) = q^N$   $N \neq 2$

- All conjugate spectra **identical**:  $\mathcal{E}_{\pm}^{[\ell]} \equiv \mathcal{E}_{\pm}$
- **Residue polynomial**  $\beta_{-1}(s) \equiv 0$  [except  $N = 2$ :  $\beta_{-1}(s) \equiv \lambda(-s + \frac{1}{2})$ ]
- Wronskian identity: 
$$e^{+i\varphi/4} D^+(e^{-i\varphi} \lambda) D^-(\lambda) - e^{-i\varphi/4} D^+(\lambda) D^-(e^{-i\varphi} \lambda) \equiv 2i$$
  $\varphi = \frac{4\pi}{N+2}$

• **Exact quantization condition:**

$$2 \Sigma_+(E_k) = k + \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{2} \kappa \quad k = 0, 2, 4, \dots$$

$$2 \Sigma_-(E_k) = k + \frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{2} \kappa \quad k = 1, 3, 5, \dots$$

$$\kappa \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} (N - 2)/(N + 2)$$

$$\Sigma_{\pm}(E) \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \frac{1}{\pi} \sum_m \underbrace{\arg(E_m - e^{-i\varphi} E)}_{\phi_m(E)} \quad (N > 2)$$

even  
odd

+ boundary condition  $b_{\mu} E_k^{\mu} \sim k + \frac{1}{2}$  for  $k \rightarrow +\infty$

$$\iff \text{fixed-point equations } \mathcal{M}^{\pm}\{\mathcal{E}_{\pm}\} = \{\mathcal{E}_{\pm}\}$$

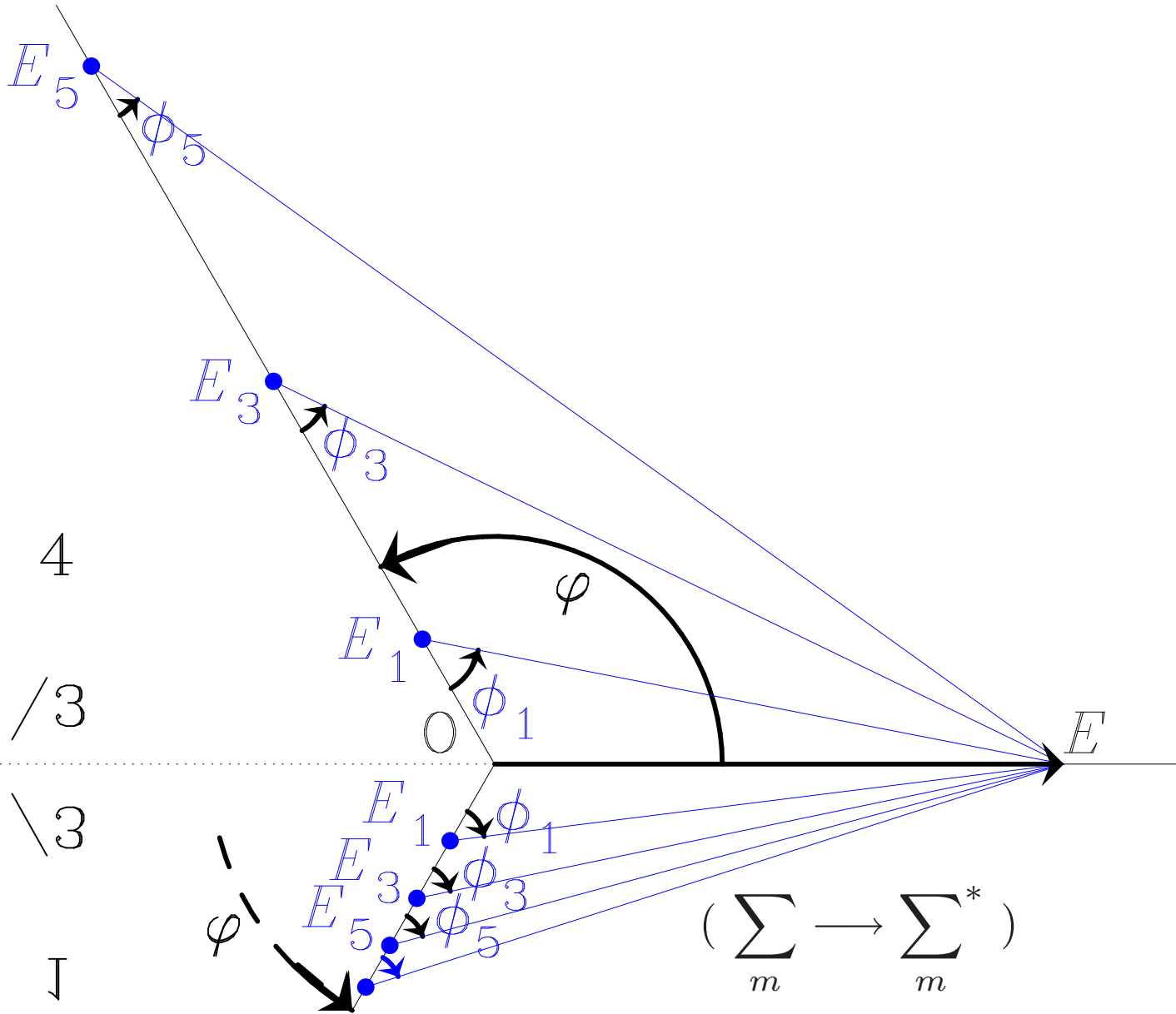
(mappings  $\mathcal{M}^{\pm}$  proved **globally contractive** for  $N > 2$ , by Avila).

- $N = 4$

$$\kappa = +1/3$$

$$\kappa = -1/3$$

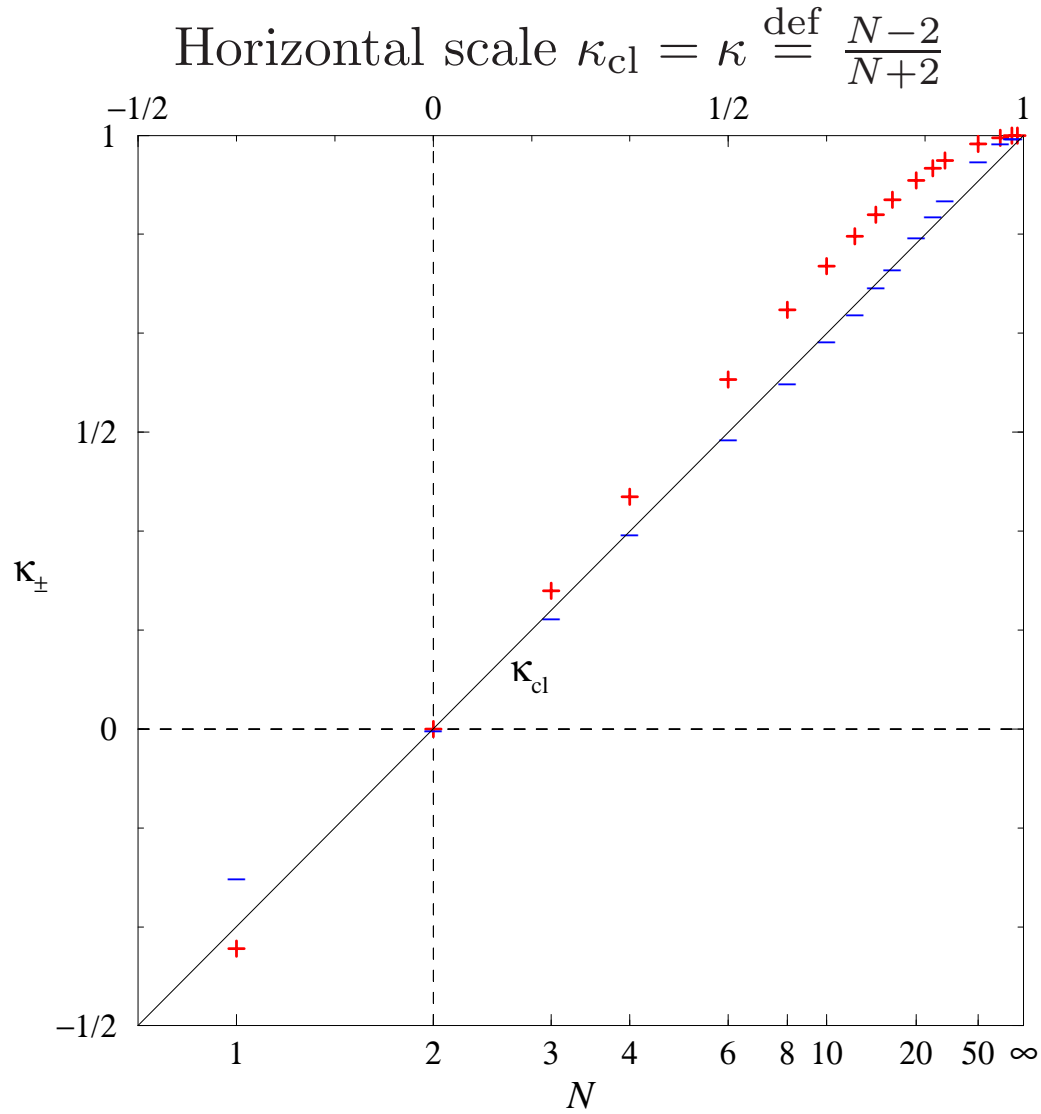
- $\mathcal{W} = 1$



# Numerical tests

Ex.  $\kappa_-(120) \approx 0.9980$

$\kappa_+(400) \approx 0.99975$



## Exact wave-function analysis

$$\left(-\frac{d^2}{dq^2} + [V(q) + \lambda]\right) \psi(q) = 0$$

and, e.g.,  $\psi(q)$  recessive for  $q \rightarrow +\infty$  ( $\lambda$  arbitrary, input).

Restrict to half-line  $[Q, +\infty)$  ( $Q$  a parameter):

$$V_Q(q) \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} [V(q) - V(Q)] \quad \text{for } q \in [Q, +\infty)$$

$$D_Q^\pm(\lambda) \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \det \left(-\frac{d^2}{dq^2} + V_Q(q) + \lambda\right)^\pm \quad \left[ \begin{array}{l} \text{Neumann} \\ \text{Dirichlet} \end{array} \text{ boundary conditions at } q = Q \right]$$

Translated **basic identities**:

$$\psi_\lambda(Q) \equiv D_Q^-(\lambda + V(Q)), \quad \psi'_\lambda(Q) \equiv -D_Q^+(\lambda + V(Q))$$

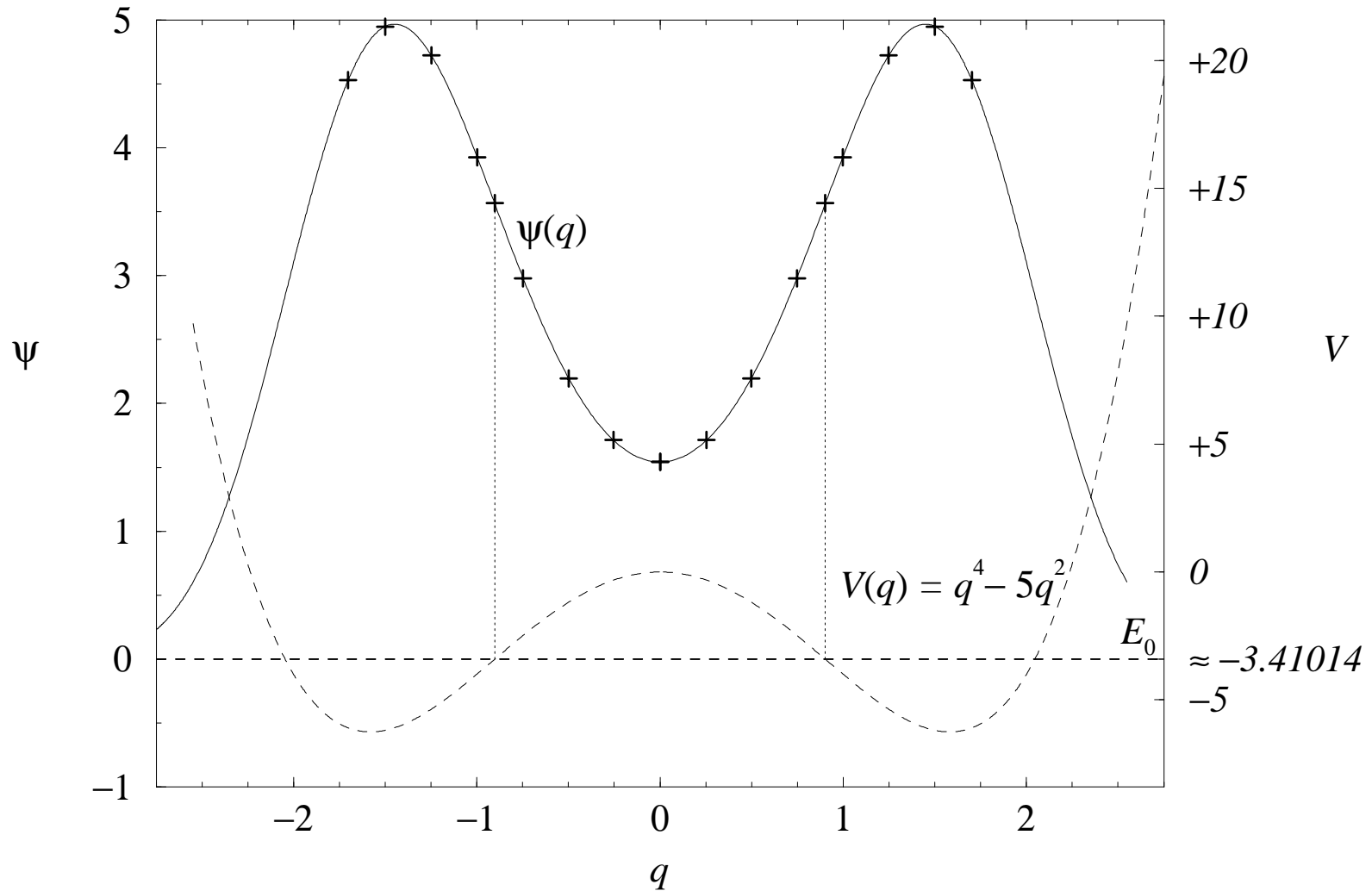
hence  $\psi_\lambda(Q)$  follows by solving a parametric fixed-point problem

$$\mathcal{M}_Q^-\{\mathcal{E}_{Q,-}^{[\ell]}\} = \{\mathcal{E}_{Q,-}^{[\ell]}\}$$

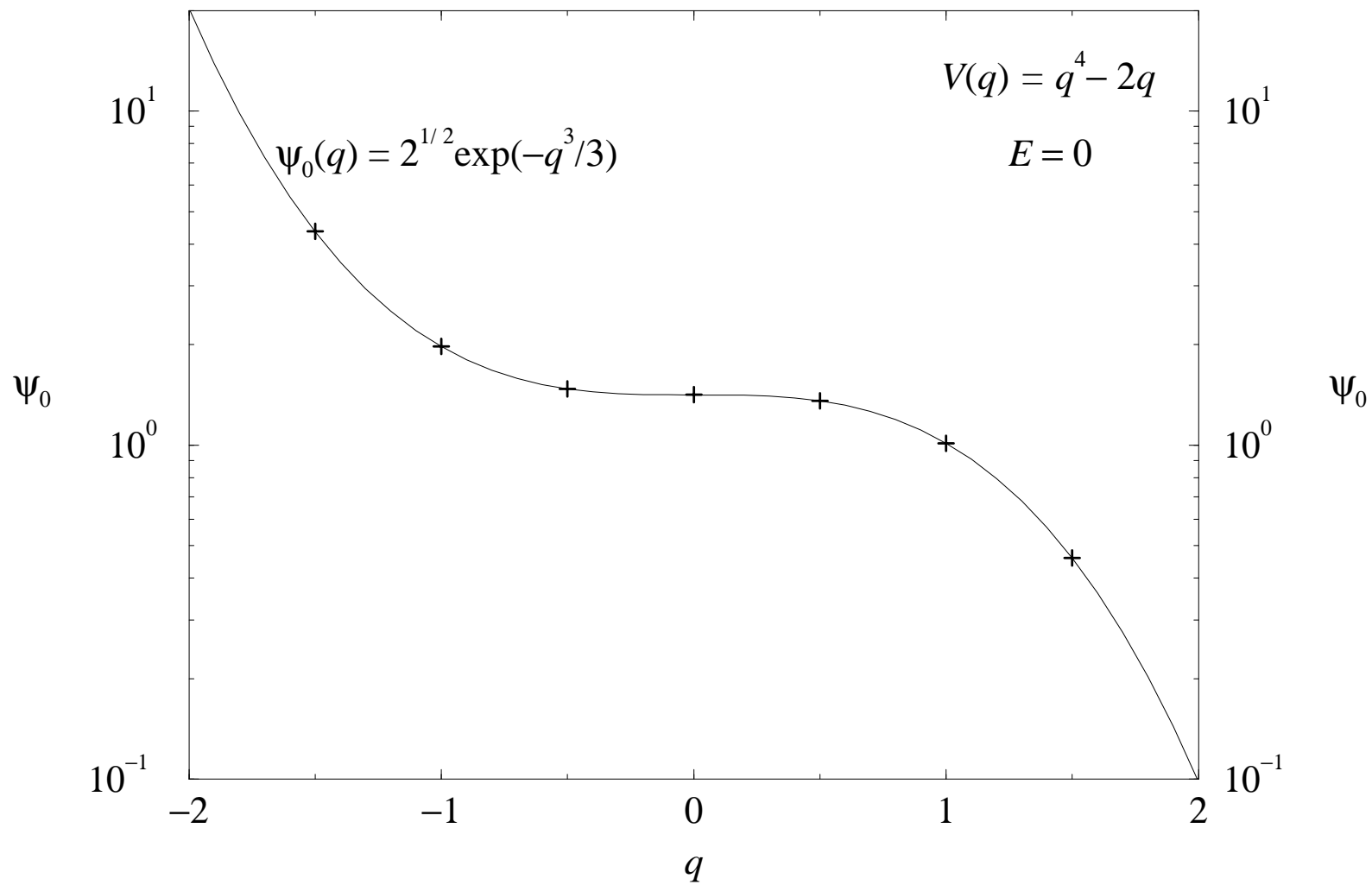
for the **Dirichlet spectrum**  $\mathcal{E}_{Q,-}$  of the potential  $V_Q$ .



Ground-state eigenfunction  $\psi(q)$  for the potential  $V(q) = q^4 - 5q^2$ .



Non-square-integrable solution  $\psi_0(q)$  for the potential  $V(q) = q^4 - 2q$  at energy  $E = 0$ .



# “ODE/IM correspondence”

(Dorey–Tateo, Suzuki, Bazhanov–Lukyanov–Zamolodchikov,...)

Dictionary between *some* 2D exactly solvable models and *some* 1D Schrödinger eqns.

Ordinary Differential Equations	$\longleftrightarrow$	Integrable Models
1D Schrödinger equation with homogeneous potential $q^{2M}$		2D 6-vertex model with twist $\phi = \pi/(2M + 2)$
Spectral parameter $\lambda$		Spectral parameter $\nu$
Degree of potential $2M$	$e^{2\pi i/(2M+2)} = -e^{-2i\eta}$	Anisotropy $\eta$
Stokes multiplier $C(\lambda)$		Transfer matrix $T(\nu)$
$D^-(\lambda) = \psi_\lambda(0)$		$Q(\nu)$ operator
Exact quantization conditions		Bethe Ansatz equations

(cf. Dorey–Dunning–Tateo, *The ODE/IM correspondence* [[hep-th/0703066](#)])

Extension to  $\mathcal{PT}$ -symmetric potentials: Dorey–Dunning–Tateo, *Ordinary Differential Equations and Integrable Models* [[hep-th/0010148](#)]

# Open issues

- Inhomogeneous polynomial potentials:
  - contractivity of fixed-point mapping? (Numerically OK near  $\vec{v} = \vec{0}$ )
  - correspondence with integrable models (generalized Bethe Ansatz).
- More general problems:
  - rational potentials (e.g., centrifugal term)
  - all Heun equations
  - higher-order equations/systems, higher-dimensional Schrödinger equations, ...
- **Consistency with perturbative regime.**

# Toward singular quantum perturbation theory

(here  $N > M \geq 0$ )

$$\hat{H}(v) = -d^2/dq^2 + q^N + vq^M \quad (\text{coupled problem}) \approx v^{2/(M+2)} \left[ -d^2/dq^2 + q^M + gq^N \right]$$

$$\hat{H}_0(v) = -d^2/dq^2 + vq^M \quad (\text{uncoupled problem}) \approx v^{2/(M+2)} \left[ -d^2/dq^2 + q^M \right]$$

hence: relate  $\det^\pm(\hat{H}(v) + \lambda)$  to  $\det^\pm(\hat{H}_0 + \lambda)$  for  $v \rightarrow +\infty \Leftrightarrow g \rightarrow 0^+$  ?

$g \rightarrow 0$  : a most singular limit! E.g., in exact quantization condition

$$2 \arg D(-e^{-i\varphi} \lambda_k | \mathcal{E}_+^{[+1]}) - \varphi \beta_{-1}(0) = \pi \left[ k + \frac{1}{2} + \frac{N-2}{2(N+2)} \right] \quad \text{for } k = 2n,$$

- the degree jumps ( $N \rightarrow M$ ), hence the angle  $\varphi$  as well;
- the anomaly type, hence  $\beta_{-1}(0)$  as well, may jump (e.g.,  $\mathbf{N} \rightarrow \mathbf{A}$  for  $q^2 + gq^4$ ).

## Main theoretical estimate

$$\det^{\pm}(\hat{H}(v) + \lambda) \sim \left[ \frac{\det_{\text{cl}}(\hat{H}(v) + \lambda)}{\det_{\text{cl}}(\hat{H}_0(v) + \lambda)} \right]^{1/2} \det^{\pm}(\hat{H}_0(v) + \lambda)$$

## Practical implication

There only remains to compute *two improper actions*,

$$\left( \frac{1}{2} \log \det_{\text{cl}}(\hat{H}(v) + \lambda) = \right) \int_0^{+\infty} \Pi_{\lambda}(q, v) \, dq = \int_0^{+\infty} (q^N + vq^M + \lambda)^{1/2} \, dq \quad (\text{coupled})$$

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**Binomial**  $\Pi(q)^2 = uq^N + vq^M \quad (N > M \geq 0)$

- **Exact** evaluation of improper action integral:

$$\int_0^{+\infty} (uq^N + vq^M)^{1/2} dq = \frac{\Gamma(\frac{M+2}{2(N-M)}) \Gamma(-\frac{N+2}{2(N-M)})}{(N-M) \Gamma(-1/2)} u^{-\frac{M+2}{2(N-M)}} v^{\frac{N+2}{2(N-M)}}$$

when the RHS factor is finite, i.e., in **N**ormal case:  $\frac{N+2}{2(N-M)} \notin \mathbb{N}$ .

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Else, namely in **A**nomalous case:  $\frac{N+2}{2(N-M)} = j \ (\in \mathbb{N}^*),$

$$\int_0^{+\infty} (uq^N + vq^M)^{1/2} dq = \frac{(-1)^{j-1} (2j-2)!}{N+2} \frac{1}{2^{2j-2} [(j-1)!]^2} u^{1/2-j} v^j \times$$

$$\left[ -\log v + \sum_{m=1}^j \frac{1}{m} + \frac{2M}{N} \left( \log 2 + \frac{1}{2} \log u - \sum_{m=1}^{j-1} \frac{1}{2m-1} \right) \right].$$



$$\text{Trinomial } \Pi(q)^2 = q^N + vq^M + \lambda \quad (N > M > 0)$$

- **Asymptotic** ( $v \rightarrow +\infty$ ) evaluation of improper action integral in general:

$$\begin{aligned} \int_0^{+\infty} (q^N + vq^M + \lambda)^{1/2} dq &\sim \int_0^{+\infty} (q^N + vq^M)^{1/2} dq \quad \left[ = C_{N,M} v^{\frac{N+2}{2(N-M)}} \quad [\mathbf{N}] \right] \\ &\quad + \int_0^{+\infty} (vq^M + \lambda)^{1/2} dq \quad \left[ = C'_M \begin{cases} v^{-\frac{1}{M}} \lambda^{\frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{M}} & M \neq 2 \\ v^{-\frac{1}{2}} \lambda(1 - \log \lambda) & M = 2 \end{cases} \right] \\ &\quad + \delta_{M,2} C''_N \lambda v^{-\frac{1}{2}} (\log v + 2 \log 2). \end{aligned}$$

- **Exactly computable case:**  $N = 4$  (in terms of complete elliptic integrals)

$$\begin{aligned} \int_0^{+\infty} (q^4 + vq^2 + \lambda)^{1/2} dq &\equiv \\ &\begin{cases} \frac{1}{3} \lambda^{1/4} [(2\sqrt{\lambda} + v)K(\tilde{k}) - 2vE(\tilde{k})], & \tilde{k} = \frac{(2\sqrt{\lambda} - v)^{1/2}}{2\lambda^{1/4}} \quad (v \leq 2\sqrt{\lambda}) \\ \frac{1}{3}(v + 2\sqrt{\lambda})^{1/2} [2\sqrt{\lambda}K(k) - vE(k)], & k = \left(\frac{v - 2\sqrt{\lambda}}{v + 2\sqrt{\lambda}}\right)^{1/2} \quad (v \geq 2\sqrt{\lambda}) \end{cases} \\ &\sim -\frac{1}{3} v^{3/2} + 0 v^{1/2} \log v + 0 v^{1/2} - \frac{1}{4} \lambda v^{-1/2} [\log(\lambda/v^2) - 4 \log 2 - 1]. \end{aligned}$$

## Samples of end results ( $g \rightarrow 0^+$ limit, $E$ fixed)

$$\frac{\det(-d^2/dq^2 + q^M + gq^N - E)}{\det(-d^2/dq^2 + q^M - E)} \sim g^{-\frac{4}{N(N+2)}\beta_{-1}(0)} \times \quad [\mathbf{A}]$$

$$\exp 2 \int_0^{+\infty} (q^N + vq^M)^{1/2} dq \times$$

$$\exp \left\{ \delta_{M,2} \frac{1}{N-2} [\log g - N \log 2] E \right\}$$

(with  $\int_0^{+\infty} (q^N + vq^M)^{1/2} dq \propto g^{-(M+2)/2(N-M)}$ ).

Basic example  $N = 4$ ,  $M = 2$ :

$$\det\left(-\frac{d^2}{dq^2} + q^2 + gq^4 - E\right) \sim \exp\left\{-\frac{2}{3g} + \left[\frac{1}{2} \log g - 2 \log 2\right] E\right\} \underbrace{\det\left(-\frac{d^2}{dq^2} + q^2 - E\right)}_{2^{E/2} \sqrt{2\pi} / \Gamma\left(\frac{1}{2}(1-E)\right)}$$

$$\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{E_k(g) - E} \sim -\left[\frac{1}{2} \log g - 2 \log 2\right] - \frac{1}{2} \left[\log 2 + \psi\left(\frac{1}{2}(1-E)\right)\right]$$

$$Z_g(1) \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{E_k(g)} \sim -\frac{1}{2} \log g + \frac{1}{2} (\gamma + 5 \log 2) \quad (g \rightarrow 0^+).$$

