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Ex 10: On the algebraic Bethe Ansatz for the gl_2 -invariant R -matrix

In the lecture we have constructed the algebraic Bethe ansatz solution for the gl_2 -invariant R -matrix. An essential step in the construction was the derivation of the commutation relation

$$A(\lambda)B(\lambda_1) \dots B(\lambda_M) = \left[\prod_{j=1}^M B(\lambda_j) \right] A(\lambda) \prod_{j=1}^M \frac{1}{b(\lambda_j - \lambda)} - \sum_{j=1}^M \frac{c(\lambda_j - \lambda)}{b(\lambda_j - \lambda)} \left[B(\lambda) \prod_{\substack{k=1 \\ k \neq j}}^M B(\lambda_k) \right] A(\lambda_j) \prod_{\substack{k=1 \\ k \neq j}}^M \frac{1}{b(\lambda_k - \lambda_j)}, \quad (1)$$

where

$$b(\lambda) = \frac{\lambda}{\lambda + i}, \quad c(\lambda) = \frac{i}{\lambda + i}$$

and $A(\lambda)$ and $B(\mu)$ satisfy the Yang-Baxter algebra relations

$$A(\lambda)B(\mu) = \frac{1}{b(\mu - \lambda)} B(\mu)A(\lambda) - \frac{c(\mu - \lambda)}{b(\mu - \lambda)} B(\lambda)A(\mu),$$

$$B(\lambda)B(\mu) = B(\mu)B(\lambda).$$

Prove (1) by induction over M .

Hint: The proof relies on a nontrivial identity for rational functions that has to be guessed and then proved by means of Liouville's theorem.

(6 points)

Ex 11: Creation of a magnon

The Heisenberg chain is associated with the L -matrix

$$L(\lambda) = \begin{pmatrix} -i\lambda + \frac{1}{2}\sigma^z & \sigma^- \\ \sigma^+ & -i\lambda - \frac{1}{2}\sigma^z \end{pmatrix}.$$

Consider an N -site chain. Then the corresponding monodromy matrix is

$$\begin{pmatrix} A(\lambda) & B(\lambda) \\ C(\lambda) & D(\lambda) \end{pmatrix} = L_N(\lambda) \dots L_1(\lambda).$$

Calculate the action of $B(\lambda)$ on the fully polarized state

$$|0\rangle = \left(\begin{smallmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{smallmatrix}\right)^{\otimes N}.$$

Can you identify a plane wave? What is the interpretation of your result?

(4 points)