

$D^{(2)}$ models and black holes

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7 years ago, I was visiting Xiwen here; and one evening he told me: we should organize a meeting here.

You all know Xiwen: he works very hard, and he is very persuasive: it is very difficult to say “no” to him.

So, soon, many people got involved, and the plans for the meeting moved ahead well.

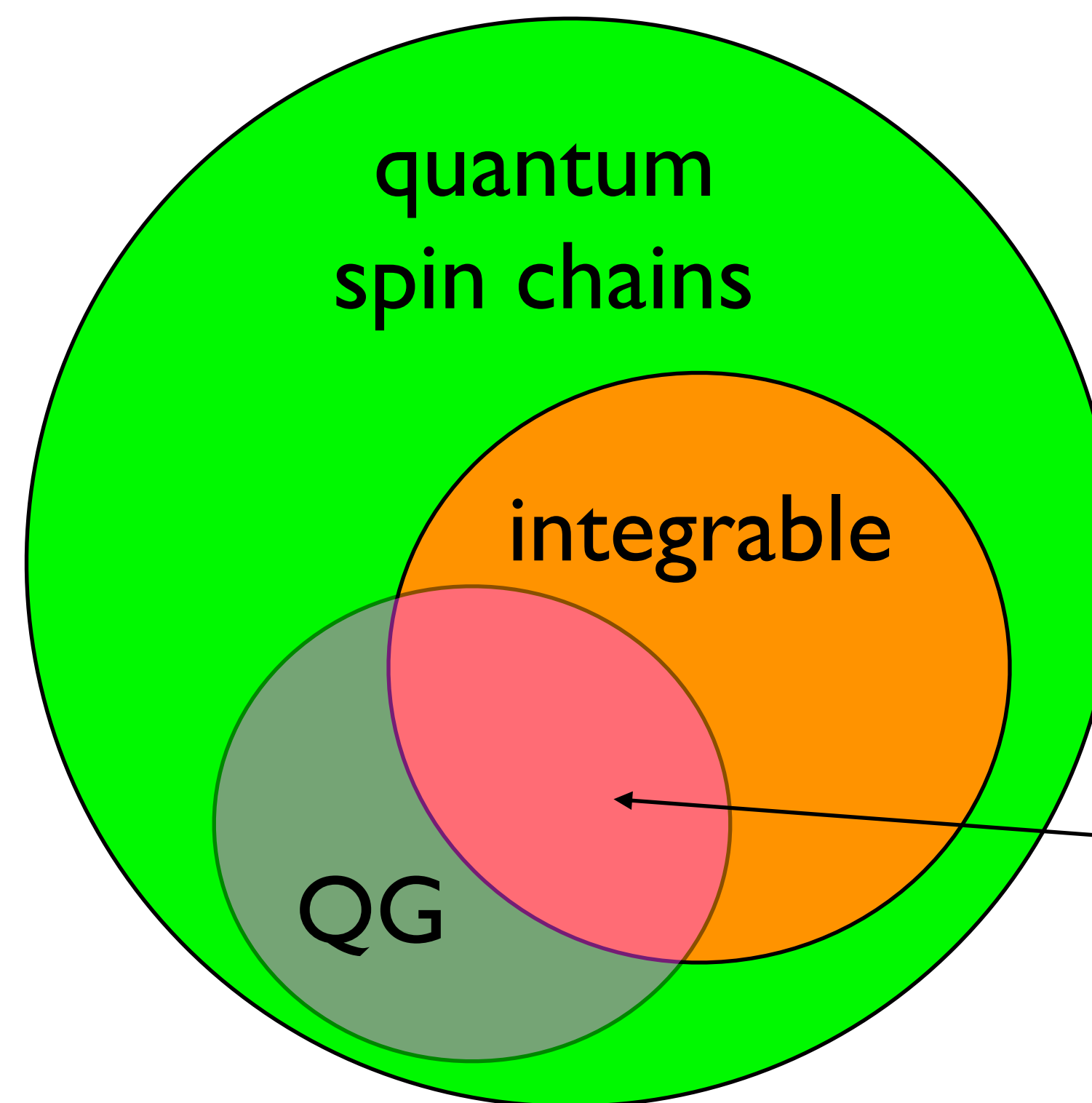
But then covid came; so the meeting was postponed for one year.

And then it was postponed again and again.

At some moment, I thought the meeting would never happen...

But, amazingly, thanks to Xiwen and the many other organizers, the meeting is finally happening!

THANK YOU!



This talk!

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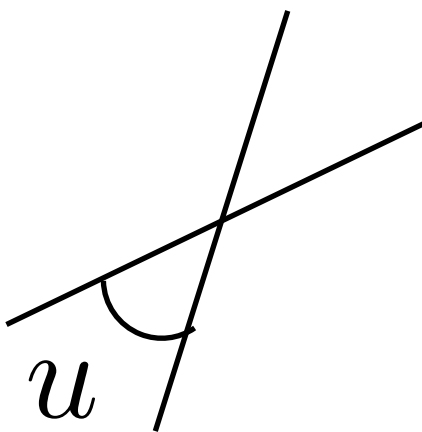
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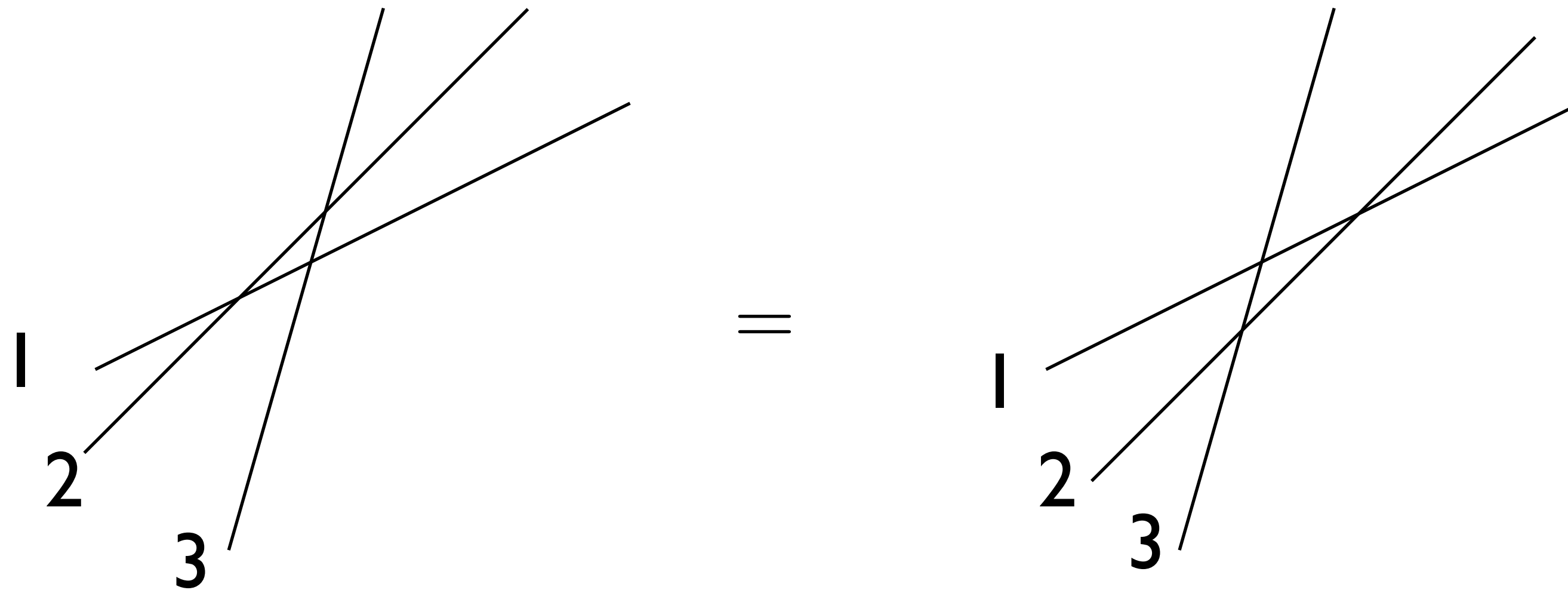
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R-matrix $R(u) \sim$ 

Solution of Yang-Baxter equation (YBE)



$$R_{12}(u-v) R_{13}(u) R_{23}(v) = R_{23}(v) R_{13}(u) R_{12}(u-v)$$

Classes of R-matrices:

- Rational invariant under Lie group G

Ex: $R(u) = \left(\begin{array}{cc|cc} u+i & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & u & i & 0 \\ \hline 0 & i & u & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & u+i \end{array} \right)$

$$G = SU(2)$$

“isotropic”, XXX

- Trigonometric $\longleftrightarrow$ affine Lie algebra $\hat{g}$

Ex: $R(u) = \left(\begin{array}{cc|cc} \sinh(u+\eta) & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \sinh(u) & \sinh(\eta) & 0 \\ \hline 0 & \sinh(\eta) & \sinh(u) & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & \sinh(u+\eta) \end{array} \right)$

$$\hat{g} = A_1^{(1)}$$

“anisotropic”, XXZ

η : “anisotropy parameter”

- Elliptic

Ex: $R(u) = \left(\begin{array}{cc|cc} \text{sn}(u+\eta) & 0 & 0 & k \text{sn}(u+\eta) \text{sn}(u) \text{sn}(\eta) \\ 0 & \text{sn}(u) & \text{sn}(\eta) & 0 \\ \hline 0 & \text{sn}(\eta) & \text{sn}(u) & 0 \\ k \text{sn}(u+\eta) \text{sn}(u) \text{sn}(\eta) & 0 & 0 & \text{sn}(u+\eta) \end{array} \right)$

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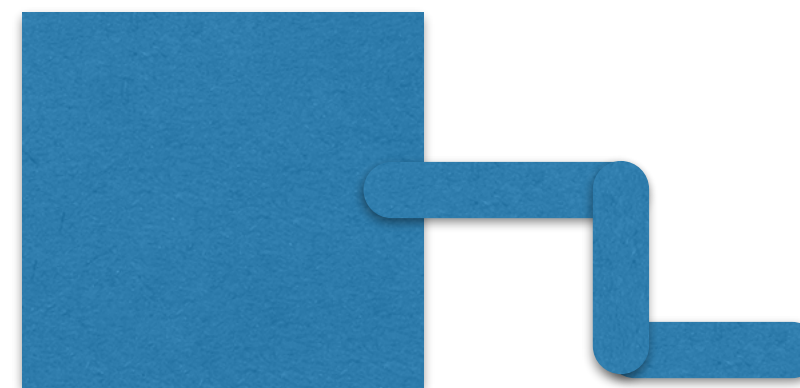
Uses of R-matrices:

- S-matrices of integrable quantum field theories in $1+1$ dimensions

Ex: sine-Gordon model

- Building blocks of 1-dimensional integrable quantum spin chains

R-matrix



[Faddeev, ... 1980's]

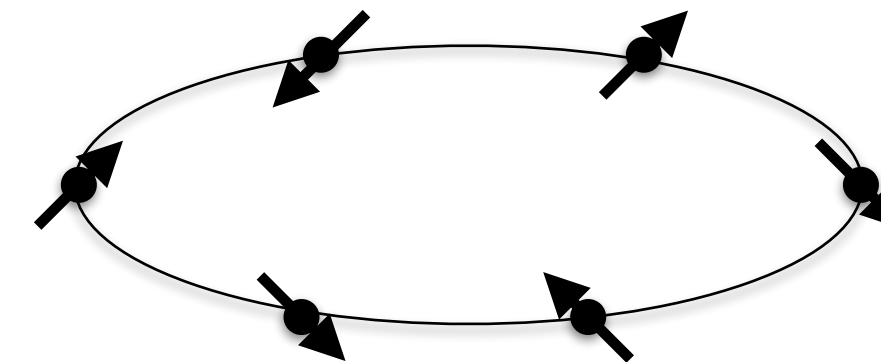


integrable closed spin chain
Hamiltonian, transfer matrix

Ex: Heisenberg (XXX) spin chain

XXX R-matrix $\longrightarrow$ Hamiltonian:

$$H^{(1)} = \sum_{n=1}^N \vec{\sigma}_n \cdot \vec{\sigma}_{n+1}, \quad \vec{\sigma}_{N+1} \equiv \vec{\sigma}_1$$



N spin $\frac{1}{2}$

- quantum many-body model - many applications
- integrable:

$$H^{(2)} = \sum_{n=1}^N \vec{\sigma}_n \cdot (\vec{\sigma}_{n+1} \times \vec{\sigma}_{n+2})$$

$$H^{(3)} = \dots$$

$\vdots$



$$\left[H^{(j)}, H^{(k)} \right] = 0$$

solvable by Bethe ansatz

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- Rational [nice & straightforward]

R-matrix with symmetry G

$\Rightarrow$ The finite periodic spin chain has the same symmetry G

Ex: Heisenberg (XXX) spin chain has symmetry $SU(2)$

Degeneracies in the spectrum are given by group theory

Ex: $N=4$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Clebsch-Gordan } \Rightarrow \left(\underline{\frac{1}{2}} \otimes \underline{\frac{1}{2}} \right) \otimes \left(\underline{\frac{1}{2}} \otimes \underline{\frac{1}{2}} \right) &= (\underline{0} \oplus \underline{1}) \otimes (\underline{0} \oplus \underline{1}) \\ &= 2 \cdot \underline{0} \oplus 3 \cdot \underline{1} \oplus \underline{2} \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{spin } s \longrightarrow 2s + 1$$

degeneracies $\{1, 1, 3, 3, 3, 5\}$



- Trigonometric [uninteresting?]

$\hat{g}$ R-matrix

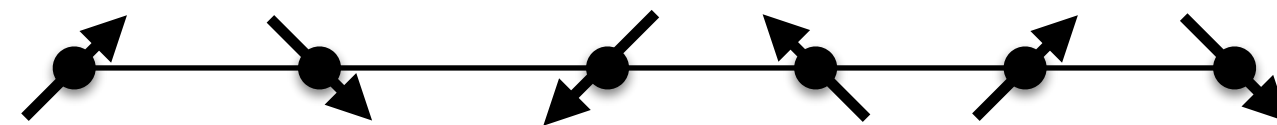
$\Rightarrow$

The finite periodic spin chain does *not* have any nice symmetry (beyond U(1)'s) or degeneracies



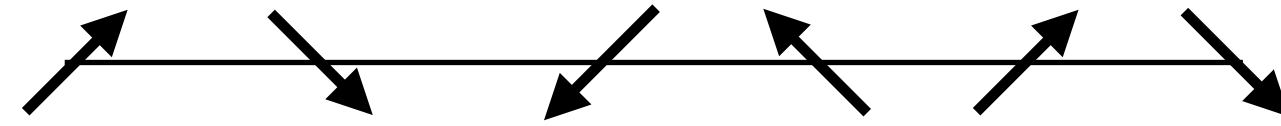
Periodic boundary conditions break symmetry

To realize symmetry, we consider *open* spin chain!



We insist that boundary conditions should preserve integrability

Example:



N spin $\frac{1}{2}$

$$H = \sum_{n=1}^{N-1} \left[\sigma_n^x \sigma_{n+1}^x + \sigma_n^y \sigma_{n+1}^y + \frac{1}{2} (q + q^{-1}) \sigma_n^z \sigma_{n+1}^z \right] - \frac{1}{2} (q - q^{-1}) (\sigma_1^z - \sigma_N^z)$$

[Pasquier, Saleur 1990]

- anisotropy parameter $q = e^\eta$
- integrable
- Quantum Group symmetry

Quantum Group (QG) symmetry

$$[H, S^z] = 0 = [H, S^\pm]$$

$$S^z = \sum_{k=1}^N S_k^z, \quad S_k^z = \frac{1}{2} \sigma_k^z$$

“coproducts”

$$S^\pm = \sum_{k=1}^N q^{-(S_1^z + \dots + S_{k-1}^z)} S_k^\pm q^{(S_{k+1}^z + \dots + S_N^z)}, \quad S_k^\pm = \frac{1}{2} (\sigma_k^x \pm i \sigma_k^y)$$

$$[S^z, S^\pm] = \pm S^\pm, \quad [S^+, S^-] = [2S^z]_q, \quad [x]_q \equiv \frac{q^x - q^{-x}}{q - q^{-1}}$$

$$U_q sl(2) = U_q(A_1) \quad \rightarrow 2S^z \quad \text{for } q \rightarrow 1$$

For generic q , the degeneracies are the same as for isotropic!

We would like to generalize this story to higher rank

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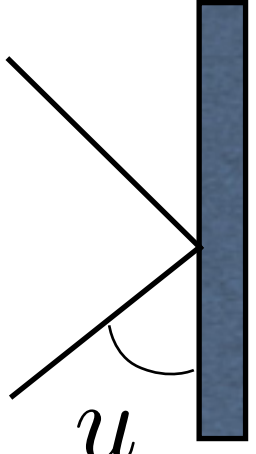
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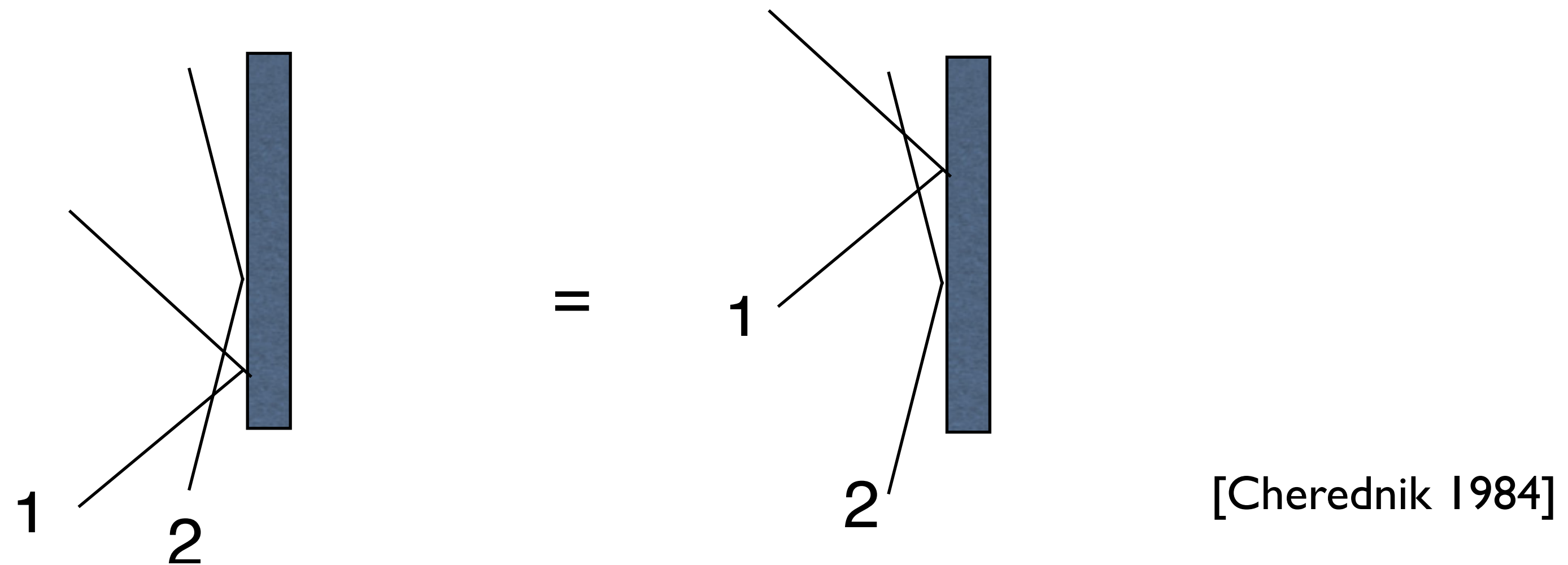
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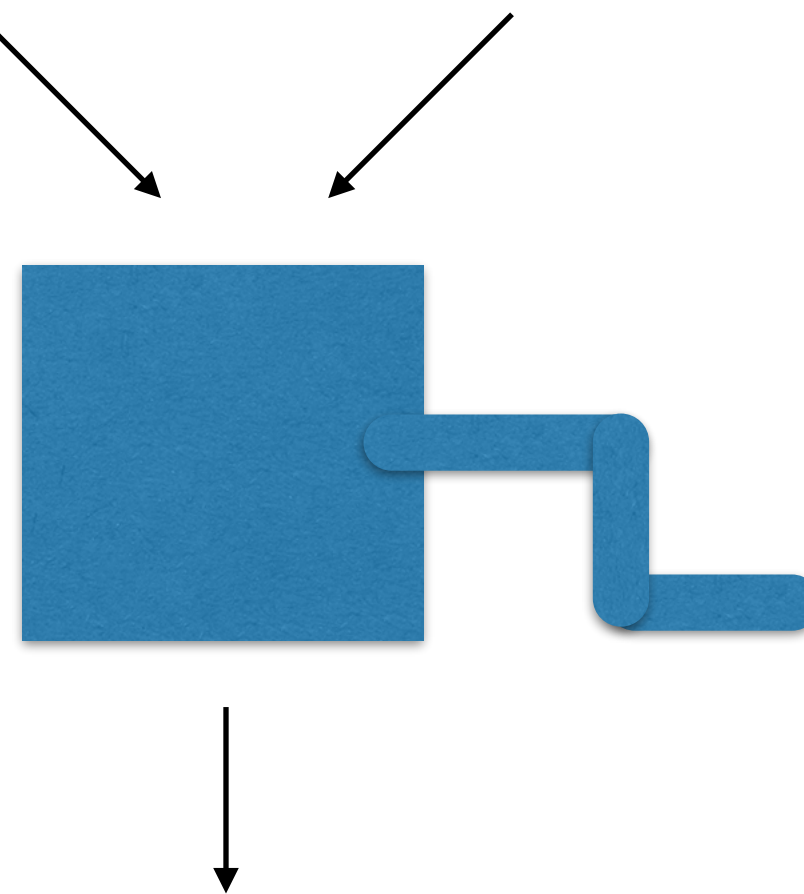
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R-matrix

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[Sklyanin 1988]

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2 x 2 block here for $\hat{g} = D_{n+1}^{(2)}$

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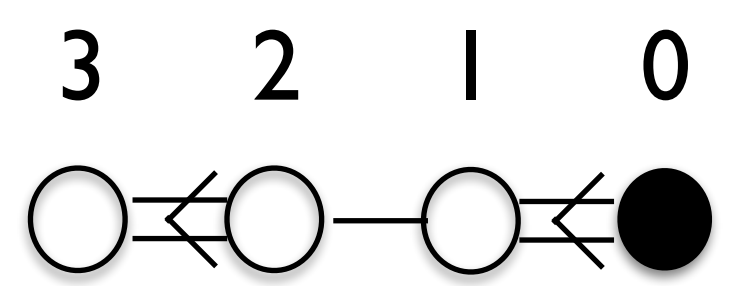
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$$p = 0 : \quad K^R(u, 0) = \mathbb{I} \quad [\text{Mezincescu, RN 1991}]$$

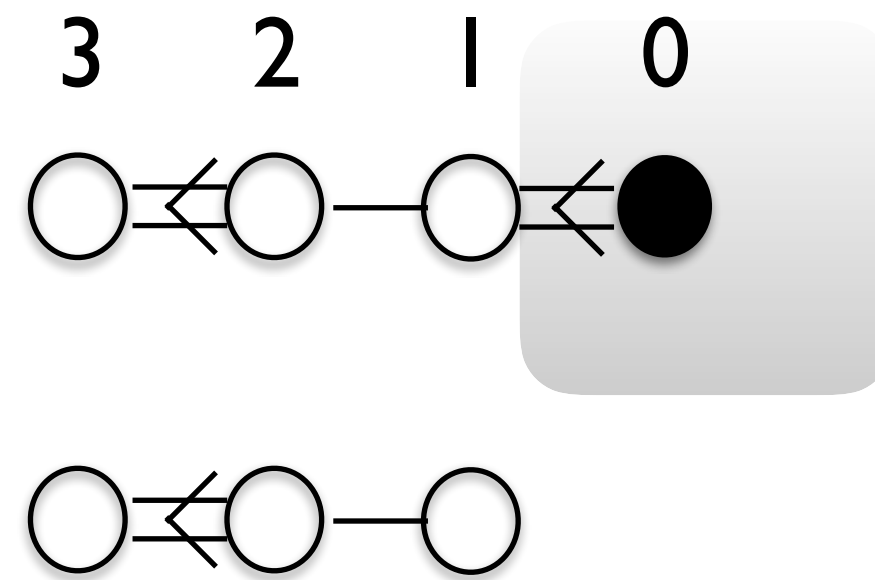
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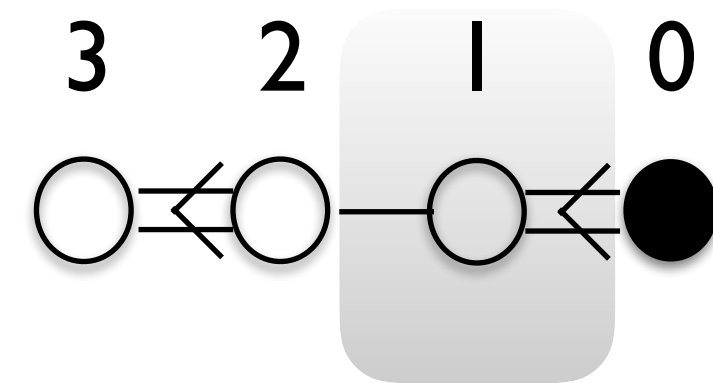


QG symmetry

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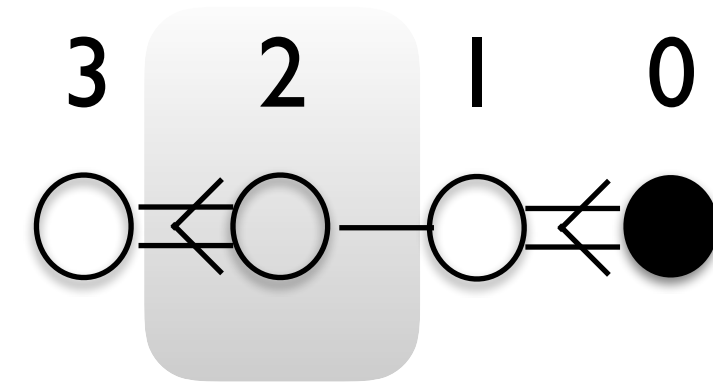
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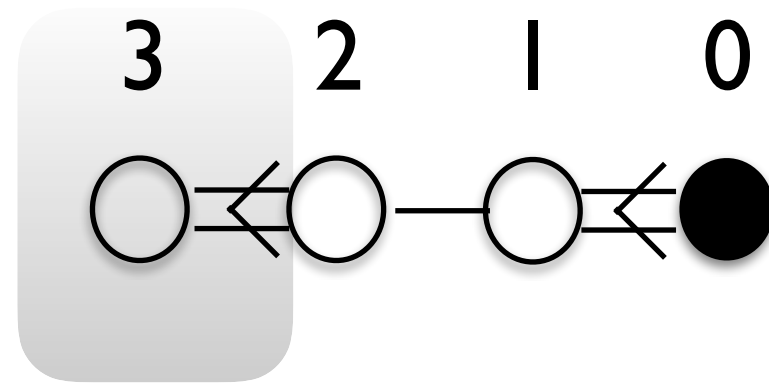
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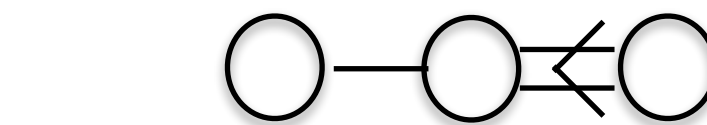
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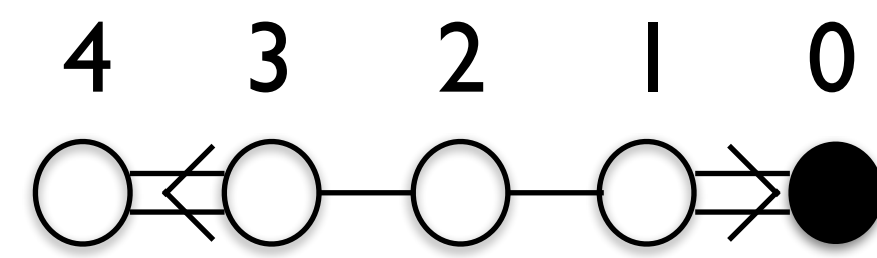
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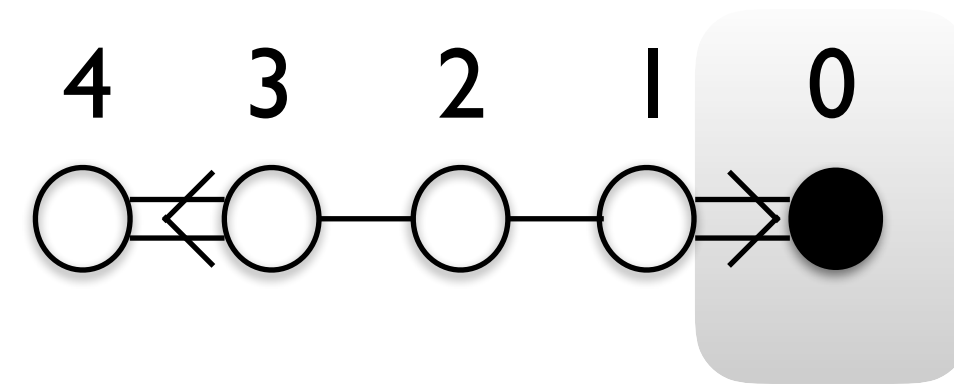
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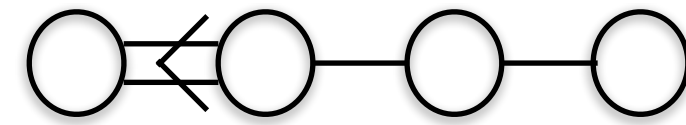


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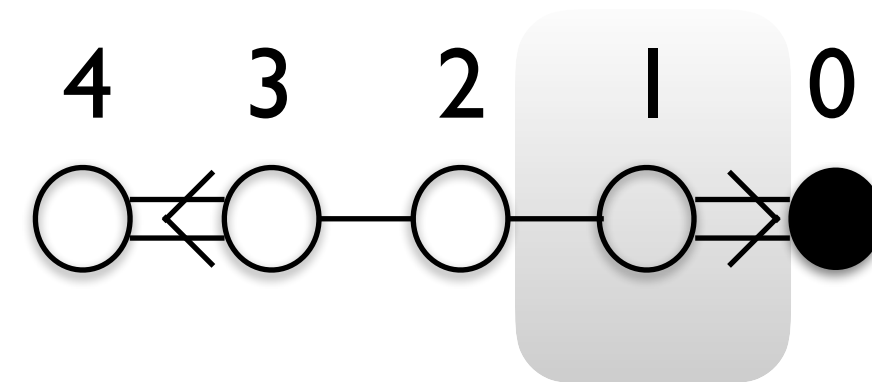
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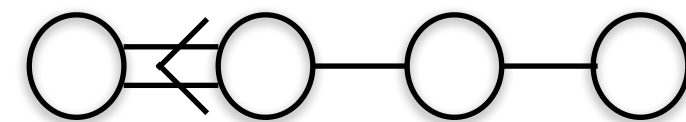
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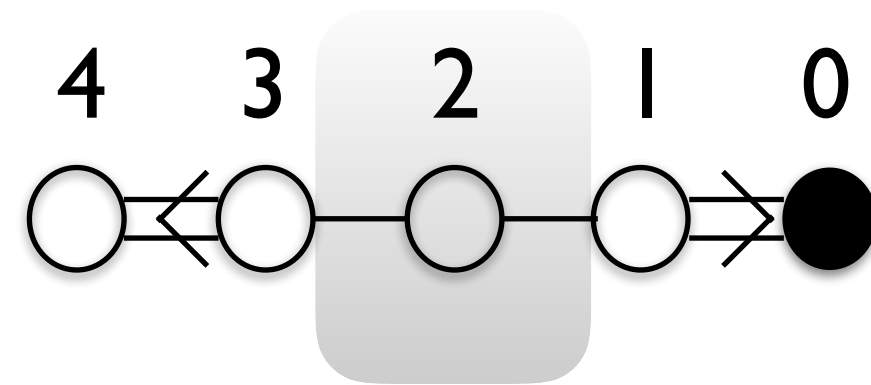
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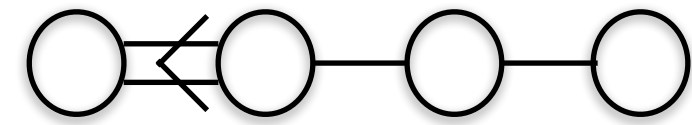
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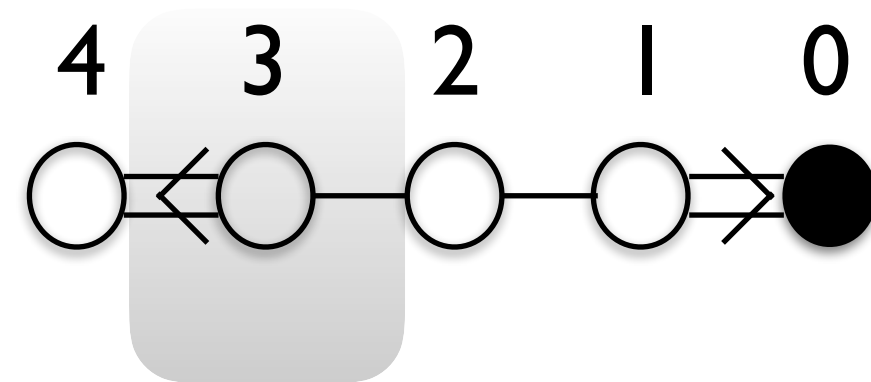
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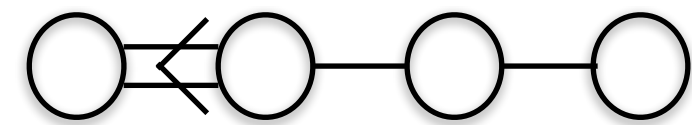
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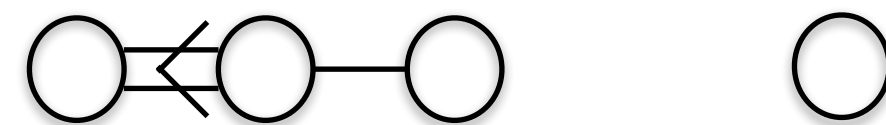
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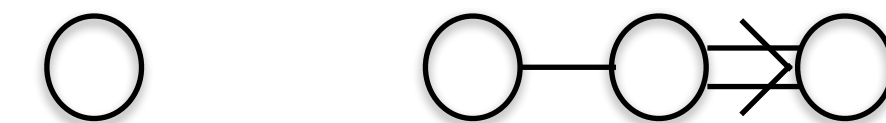
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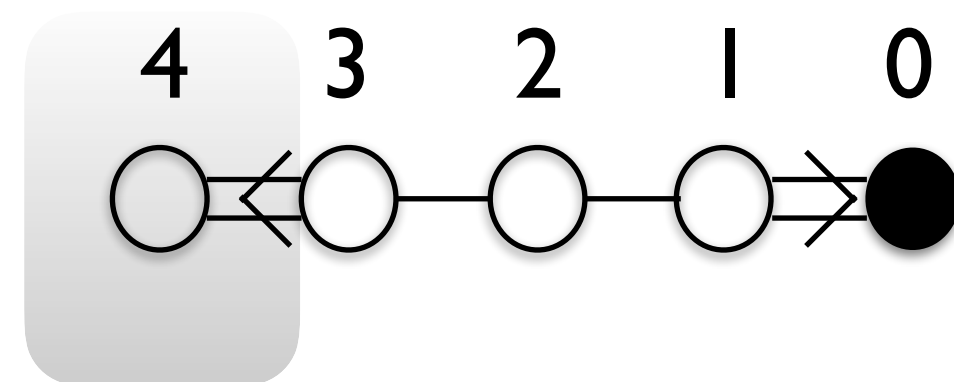
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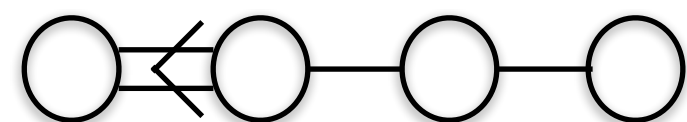
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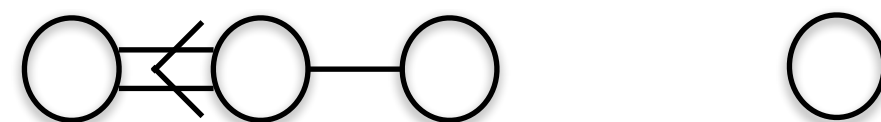
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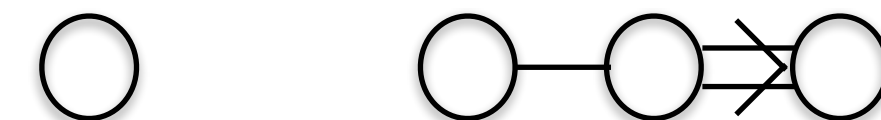
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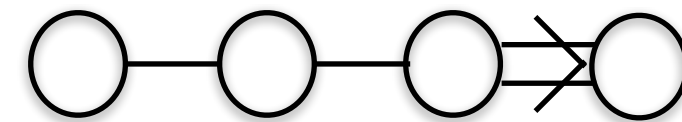
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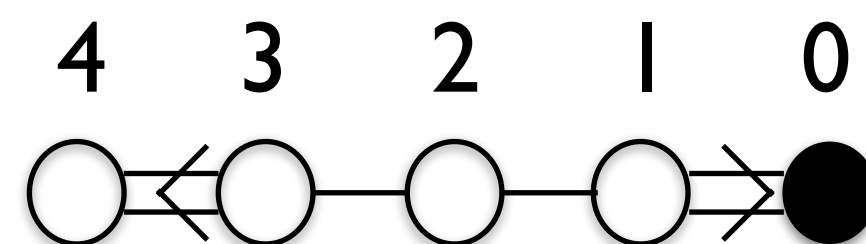
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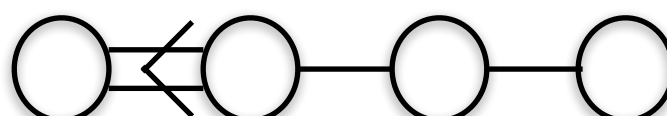
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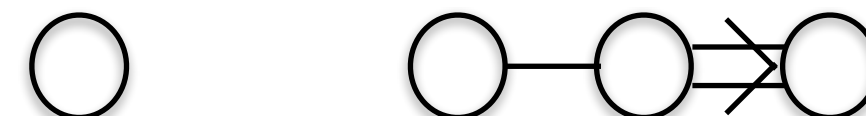
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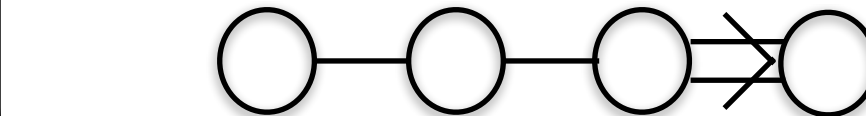
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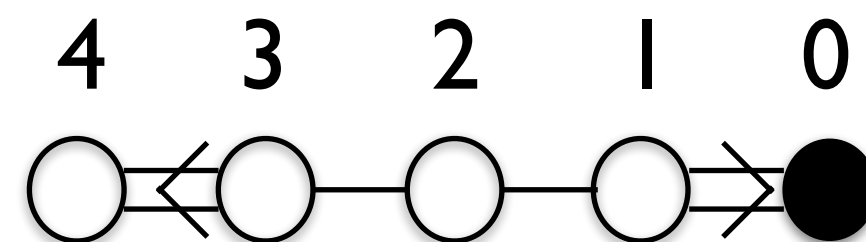
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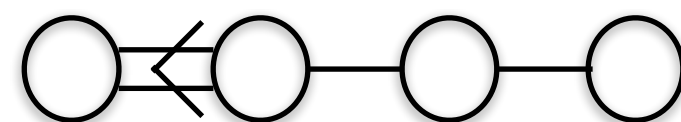
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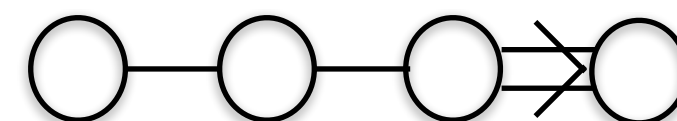
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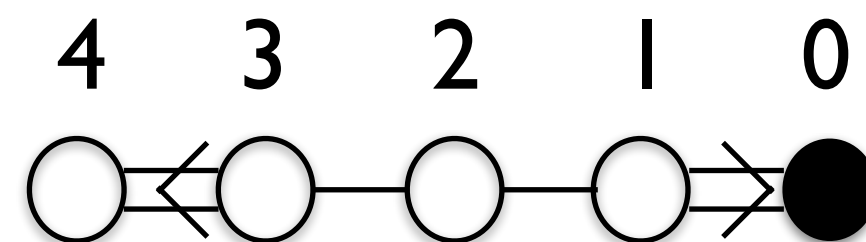


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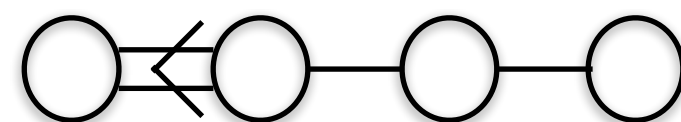


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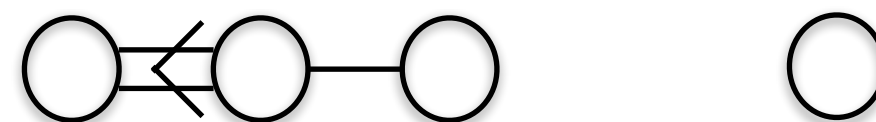
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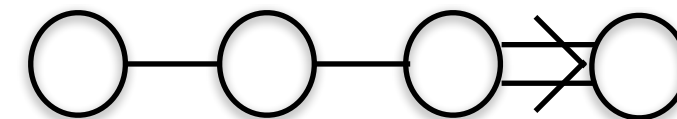
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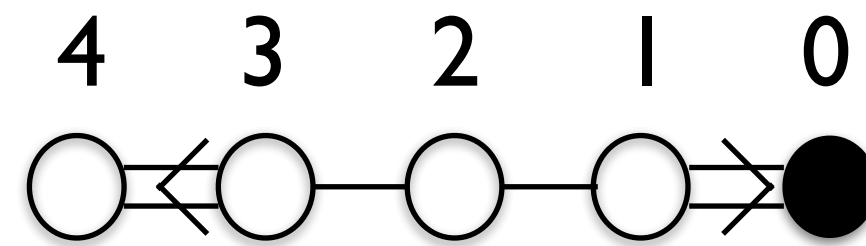
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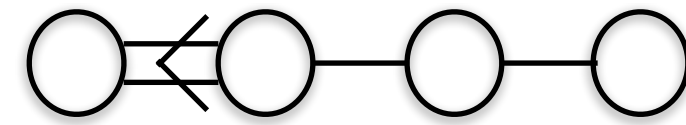
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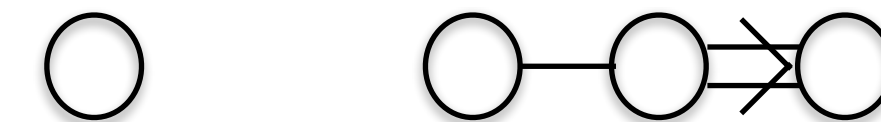
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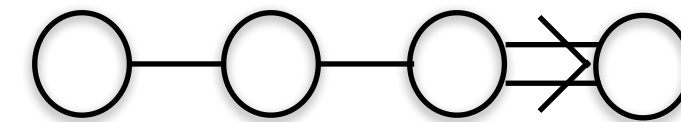
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$$p \leftrightarrow n - p$$

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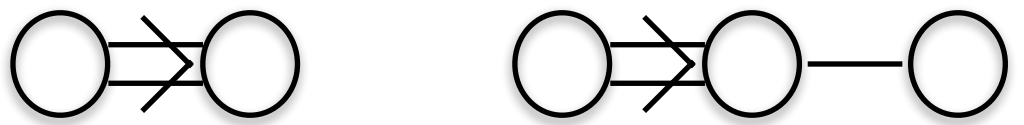
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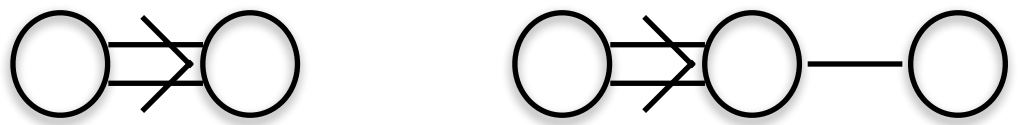
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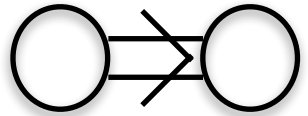
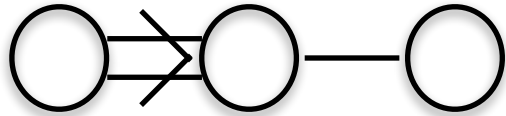
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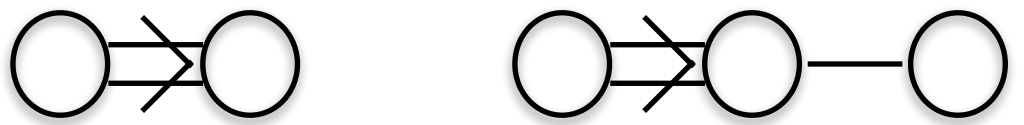
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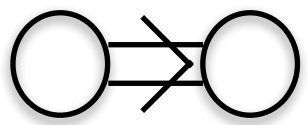
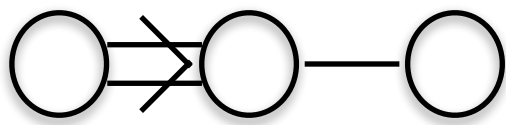
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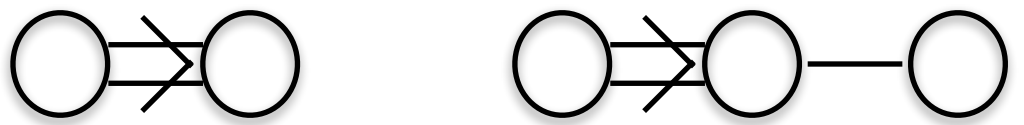
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[Reshetikhin 1987]

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“universal”

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[RN, Retore 2018]

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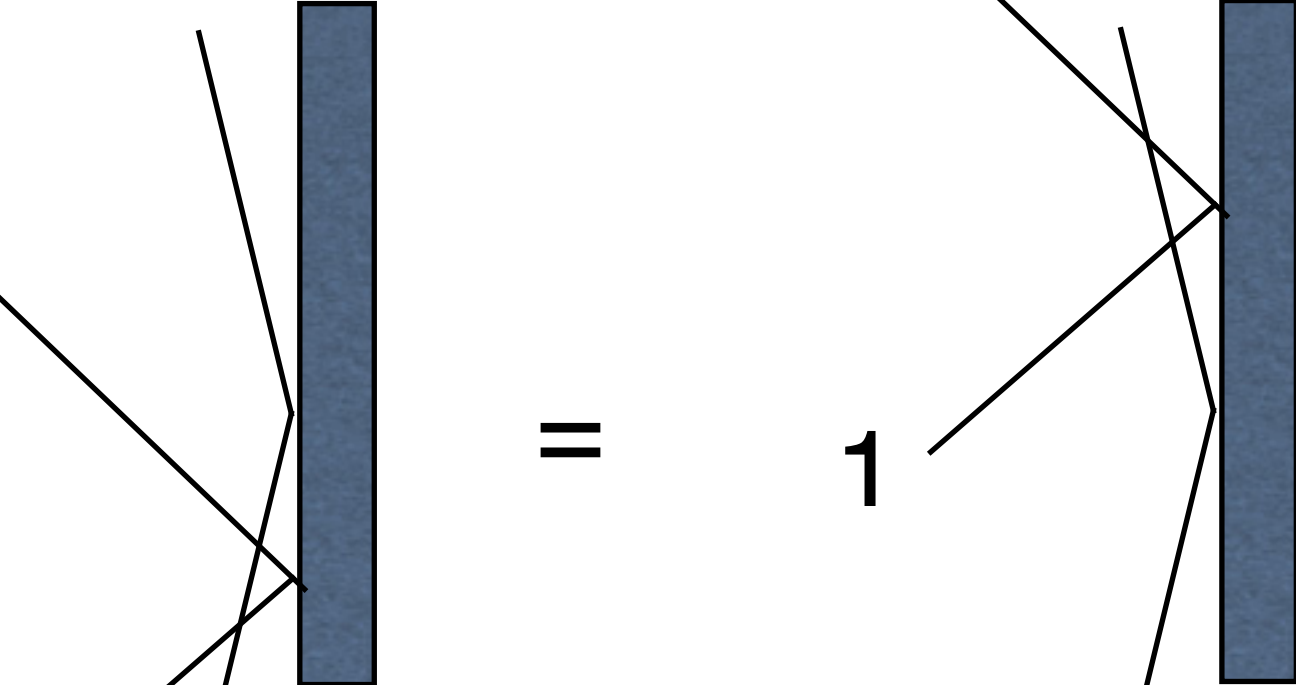
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[Martins, Guan 2000;
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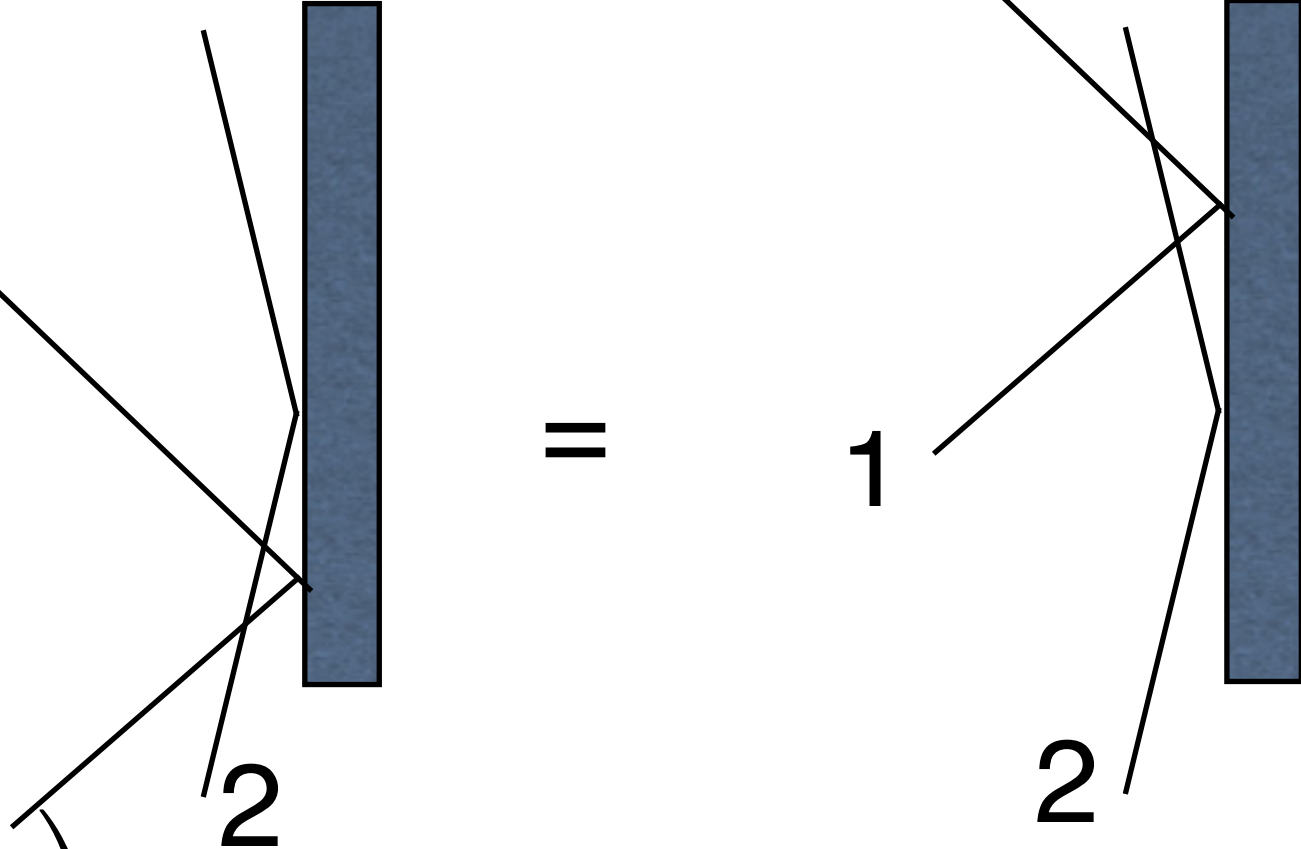


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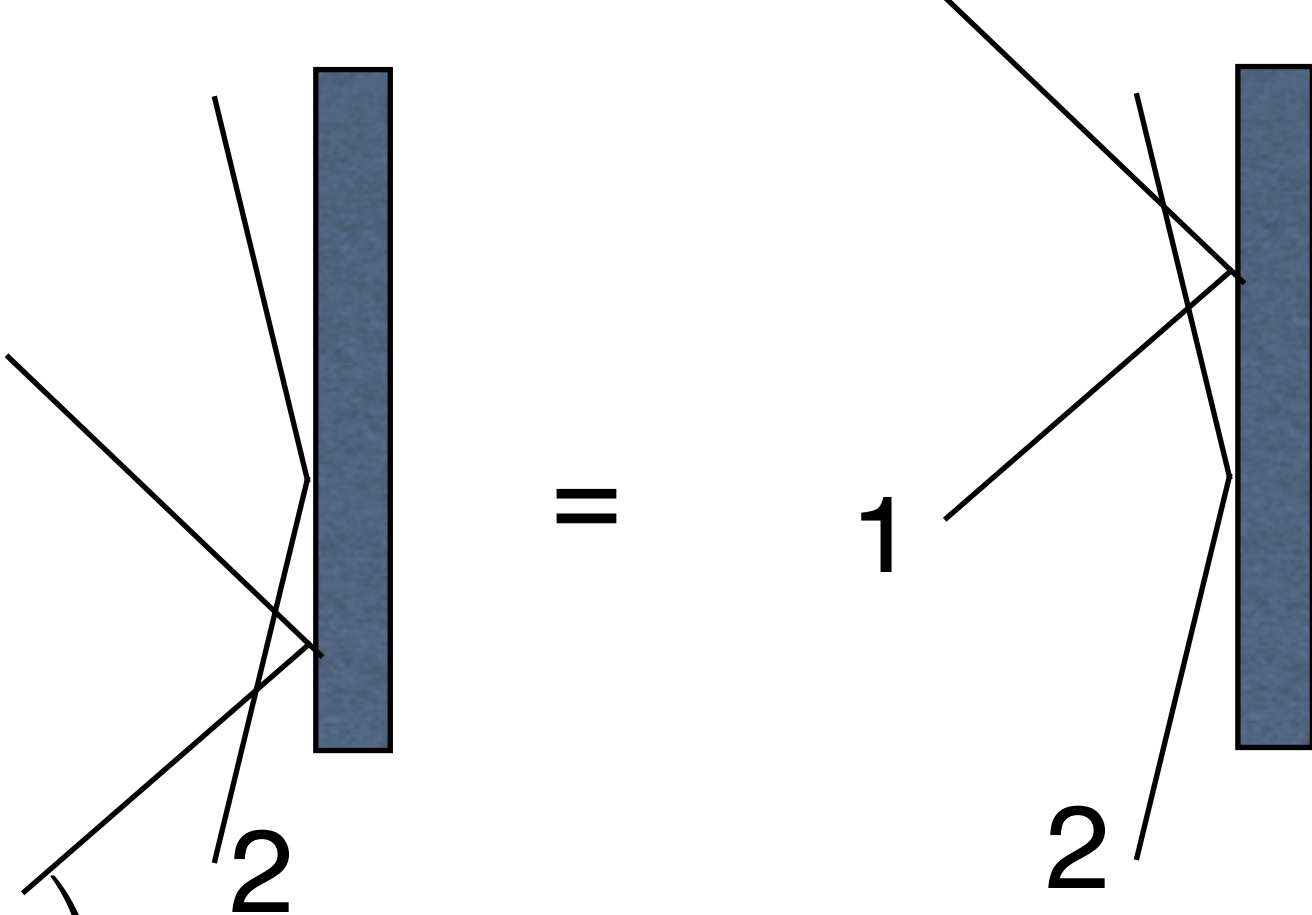
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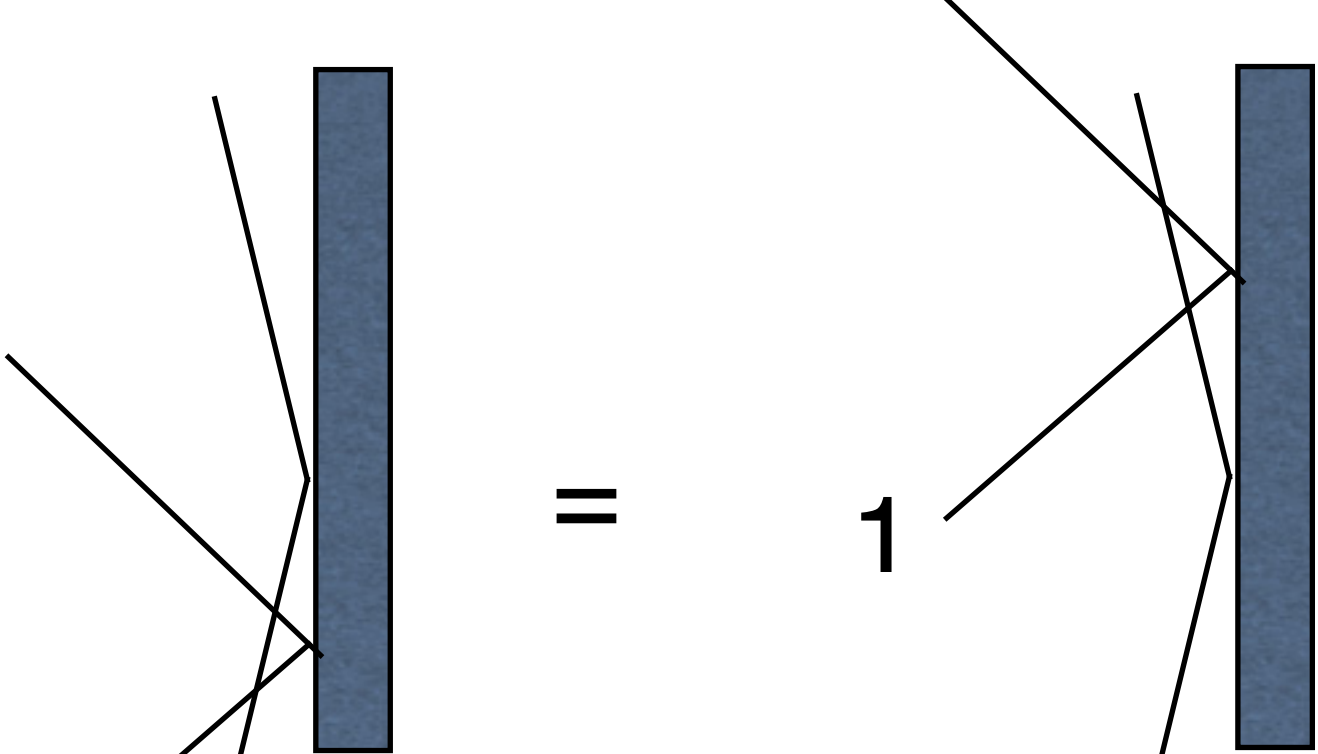
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“conventional” Bethe ansatz

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The problem of finding Bethe ansatz resisted solution for 20 years

- conjectured partial solution [RN, Pimenta, Retore 2019]
- conjectured full solution [Robertson, Jacobsen, Saleur 2020]

$$\left(\frac{\sinh(u_j + \eta)}{\sinh(u_j - \eta)} \right)^{2N} = \prod_{k=1; k \neq j}^m \frac{\sinh(\frac{1}{2}(u_j - u_k) + \eta)}{\sinh(\frac{1}{2}(u_j - u_k) - \eta)} \frac{\cosh(\frac{1}{2}(u_j + u_k) + \eta)}{\cosh(\frac{1}{2}(u_j + u_k) - \eta)}$$

← cosh instead of sinh!

- proof $so(4) = su(2) \oplus su(2)$ [RN, Retore 2020]

Key idea: $R^{D_2^{(2)}} \sim R^{A_1^{(1)}} R^{A_1^{(1)}} R^{A_1^{(1)}} R^{A_1^{(1)}}$ [Robertson, Pawelkiewicz, Jacobsen, Saleur 2020]

$$\Rightarrow t^{D_2^{(2)}} \sim t^{A_1^{(1)}} t^{A_1^{(1)}} \quad \text{“factorization identity” for transfer matrix}$$

algebraic Bethe ansatz

$$\hat{g} = D_2^{(2)} \quad (n = 1), \quad \varepsilon = 1 : \quad 0 < \eta < \frac{i\pi}{4} \quad \text{critical}$$

Emergence of a (partially) continuous spectrum:

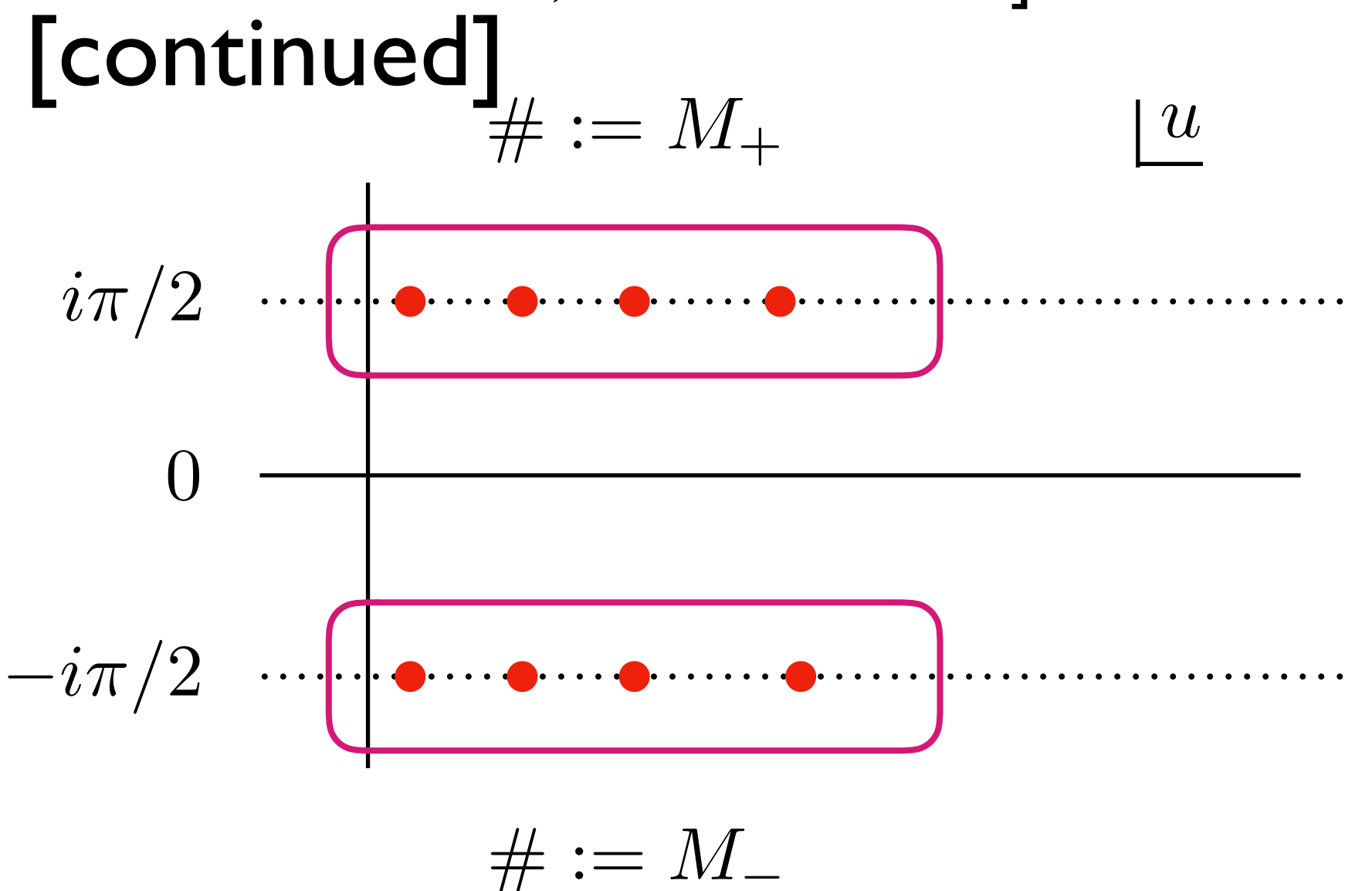
Ground-state Bethe roots

$$M_+ = M_-$$

There are *excited states* with $n := M_+ - M_- = 1, 2, \dots$

$N \rightarrow \infty$:

Finite-size scaling: $E(N) \sim Ne_\infty + f_\infty + \frac{\pi v_F}{N} X_{\text{eff}}$



effective scaling dimension

$$X_{\text{eff}} = [\text{number}] + n^2 \frac{f(\eta)}{(\log N)^2}$$

need $N \sim 10^3$

need Bethe ansatz!

Keeping n fixed as $N \rightarrow \infty$ would mean infinite degeneracy in CFT ??

Instead, define limit $\frac{n}{\log N} \xrightarrow{N \rightarrow \infty} s \in \mathbb{R}_{\geq 0} \Rightarrow X_{\text{eff}} = [\text{number}] + f(\eta) s^2 \quad \text{continuous}$

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continuum of conformal dimensions

[Robertson, Jacobsen, Saleur 2020;
Frahm, Gehrmann 2021]

continuum limit is a *non-compact* boundary CFT

does *not* occur for $\varepsilon = 0$

periodic BC:

[Jacobsen, Saleur 2006;
Ikhlef, Jacobsen, Saleur 2008, 2012;
Frahm, Seel 2014]

related to black hole sigma model

[Witten 1991;
Dijkgraaf, Verlinde, Verlinde 1992;
Hanany, Prezas, Troost 2002;
Bazhanov, Kotousov, Koval, Lukyanov 2019, 2020]

$$\hat{g} = D_{n+1}^{(2)}, \quad \varepsilon = 1 :$$

$$\text{QG symmetry} \quad U_q(B_{n-p}) \otimes U_q(B_p) \quad p = 0, \dots, n$$

analytical Bethe ansatz

[Frahm, Gehrman, RN, Retore 2509.00610]

$$\left[\frac{\sinh(u_k^{[1]} + \eta)}{\sinh(u_k^{[1]} - \eta)} \right]^{2N} \boxed{\Phi_{1,p,n}(u_k^{[1]})} = \frac{Q_k^{[1]}(u_k^{[1]} + 2\eta)}{Q_k^{[1]}(u_k^{[1]} - 2\eta)} \frac{Q_k^{[1]}(u_k^{[1]} + 2\eta + i\pi)}{Q_k^{[1]}(u_k^{[1]} - 2\eta + i\pi)} \frac{Q_k^{[2]}(u_k^{[1]} - \eta)}{Q_k^{[2]}(u_k^{[1]} + \eta)} \frac{Q_k^{[2]}(u_k^{[1]} - \eta + i\pi)}{Q_k^{[2]}(u_k^{[1]} + \eta + i\pi)}$$

$$\neq 1 \text{ only if } l = p \quad \boxed{\Phi_{l,p,n}(u_k^{[l]})} = \frac{Q_k^{[l-1]}(u_k^{[l]} - \eta)}{Q_k^{[l-1]}(u_k^{[l]} + \eta)} \frac{Q_k^{[l-1]}(u_k^{[l]} - \eta + i\pi)}{Q_k^{[l-1]}(u_k^{[l]} + \eta + i\pi)} \frac{Q_k^{[l]}(u_k^{[l]} + 2\eta)}{Q_k^{[l]}(u_k^{[l]} - 2\eta)} \frac{Q_k^{[l]}(u_k^{[l]} + 2\eta + i\pi)}{Q_k^{[l]}(u_k^{[l]} - 2\eta + i\pi)} \\ \times \frac{Q_k^{[l+1]}(u_k^{[l]} - \eta)}{Q_k^{[l+1]}(u_k^{[l]} + \eta)} \frac{Q_k^{[l+1]}(u_k^{[l]} - \eta + i\pi)}{Q_k^{[l+1]}(u_k^{[l]} + \eta + i\pi)}, \quad l = 2, \dots, n-1$$

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continuous spectrum?

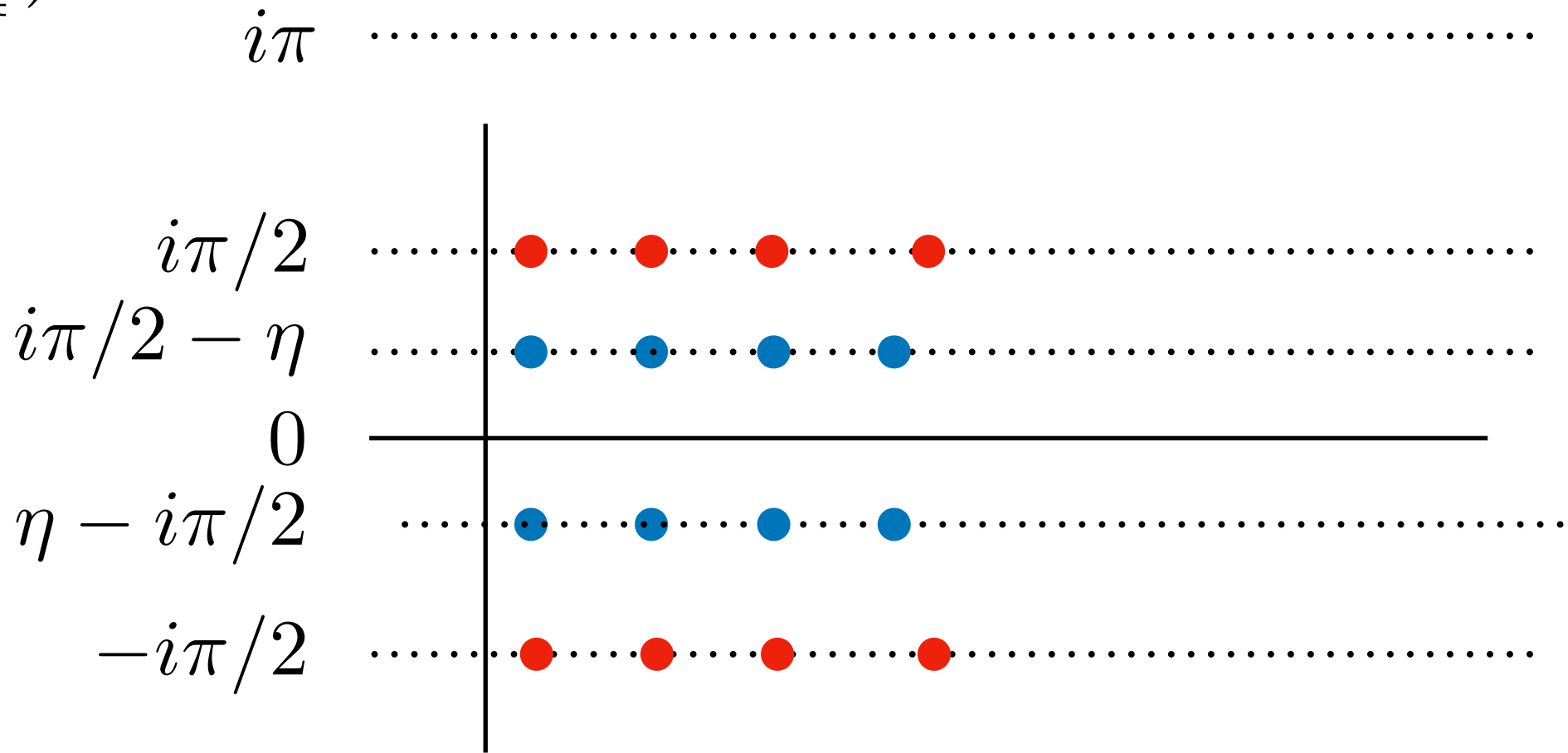
$$\hat{g} = D_3^{(2)} \quad (n = 2), \quad \varepsilon = 1, \quad p = 0, 1 : \quad \eta = i\gamma, \quad \gamma \in (0, \frac{\pi}{4})$$

Find (partially) continuous spectrum:

Ground-state Bethe roots

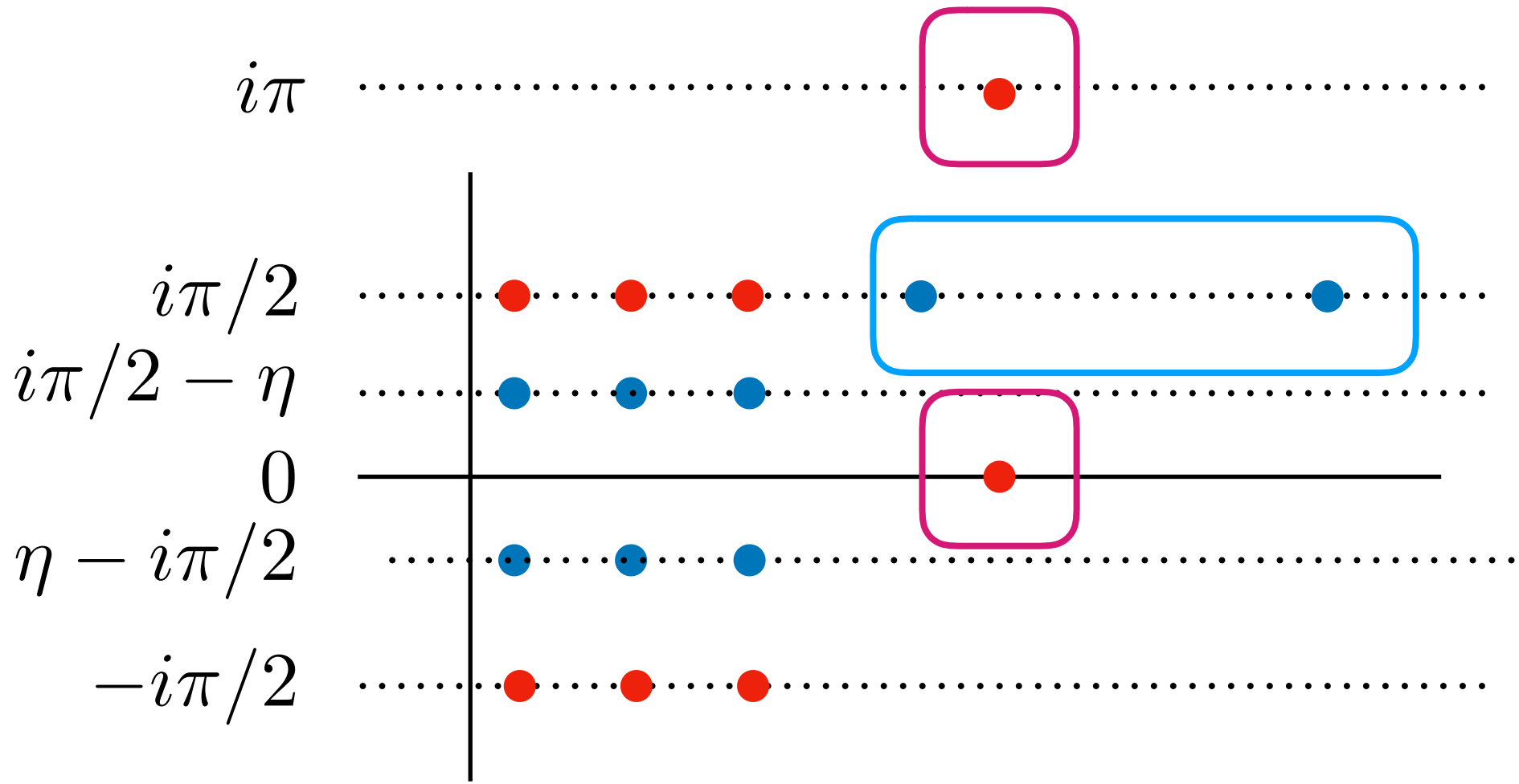
level-2

level-1



Excited-state Bethe roots (example)

$n = 2 :$



$$X_{\text{eff}} = [\text{number}] + (2n + 1)^2 \frac{f(\eta)}{(\log N)^2} \quad n = 1, 2, 3, \dots$$

does *not* occur for $\varepsilon = 0$

Outline

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- Quantum integrability (sorry to the experts!)
- Symmetries & degeneracies of integrable spin chains (rank-1 algebra)

————→ *quantum group symmetry*

- Generalization to higher-rank algebras
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II. $D^{(2)}$ models

III. Outlook

- analytical Bethe ansatz for $\hat{g} = D_{n+1}^{(2)}, \quad \varepsilon = 1$

- Hamiltonian is not Hermitian

For $N \rightarrow \infty$ all low-energy states have *real* energy $E \quad \therefore \quad$ sensible CFT

- (partially) continuous spectrum for $n = 1, 2$
- conjecture: (partially) continuous spectrum for all $n = 1, 2, \dots$
- identification of the continuum non-compact CFTs for $n > 1$?

Thank you for your attention!