

QUANTUM-CLASSICAL DUALITY BETWEEN HEISENBERG AND RUIJSENAARS-SCHNEIDER MODELS

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Abstract

We examine a quantum-classical duality between inhomogeneous Heisenberg models and rational Ruijsenaars-Schneider models building on observations of [GZZ14] and [Aru]. We show how generalized Schur-Weyl duality between the Yangian and the degenerate affine Hecke algebra provides a clear category theoretic reason for the existence of this duality, also extending the duality to spins in non-fundamental representations. Employing the theory of degenerate double affine Hecke algebras, we extend this point of view to a quantum-classical duality between trigonometric Gaudin and Calogero-Moser models, showing how all four models arise from two S -dual representations of the loop Yangian. Finally, we give a geometric picture of generalized Schur-Weyl duality that makes apparent how the rational Ruijsenaars-Schneider and inhomogeneous Heisenberg models emerge naturally in four-dimensional Chern-Simons theory when constructed as a functorial quantum field theory. We then use this functorial quantum field theory to extrapolate our results to the case of the elliptic Ruijsenaars-Schneider model, edging towards a quantization of the elliptic Ruijsenaars-Schneider model with spin.

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Chapter 0

Introduction

Integrability [Aru20] is a key phenomenon in many physical models that allows for exact solutions. Nonetheless, solving integrable models often necessitates surprisingly non-trivial methods. Abstractly, integrability can be understood as the presence of some highly organized structure. Though this can happen in many ways, a common theme among integrable models is the existence of a large number of commuting conserved quantities. An important tool in discovering such conserved quantities are certain algebras that act on states and observables. Famous representatives in this class of algebras are (double) affine Hecke algebras and affine quantum groups as well as Yangians and their various degenerations, which allow for a reduction of many phenomena in the study of integrable models to phenomena in the representation theory of these algebras. In particular, sharing the same representation theory gives rise to many coincidences in the mathematical descriptions of integrable models, even when these models look very different on the surface. This has led to the discovery of many dualities between integrable models.

In [GZZ14], a *quantum-classical* duality between the quantum twisted inhomogeneous Heisenberg \mathfrak{gl}_ℓ -spin chain and the classical rational Ruijsenaars-Schneider model was first worked out. For our purposes, we will simply refer to this duality as *the* quantum-classical duality. The former model describes a chain of N atoms, labeled by inhomogeneities $y_1, \dots, y_N \in \mathbb{C}$, whose local Hilbert spaces¹ are given by the vector representation of \mathfrak{gl}_ℓ . The Hamiltonian imposes nearest-neighbor interactions with boundary conditions that are periodic up to a twist matrix. The latter model describes N relativistic point particles acting on each other by mutual centrifugal forces. In this model, the conserved quantities can be neatly described via eigenvalues of a Lax matrix. *Loc. cit.* then describes the quantum-classical duality in terms of a coincidence of spectra of the twist matrix and Lax matrix on the quantum and classical side respectively. This involves the following substitutions: The inhomogeneities of the Heisenberg spin chain model become the positions of the particles in the Ruijsenaars-Schneider model and the eigenvalues of certain non-local spin chain Hamiltonians correspond to the momenta of these particles.

¹We use the term *Hilbert space* in the loose sense of describing the bare state space of a quantum system, *i.e.* it does not necessarily come equipped with an inner product. In accordance, we will generally not be careful about Hermiticity.

Recently, a novel angle on this duality has appeared in [Aru], where the Lax matrix of the rational Ruijsenaars-Schneider model miraculously appears in functional relations among higher transfer matrices of the spin chain. These functional relations encode the spectrum of the inhomogeneous Heisenberg model. Such hints spark the quest for a more conceptual reason behind the coincidence.

To this end, our first step will be to identify the relevant algebras at play. For the Heisenberg \mathfrak{gl}_ℓ -spin chain, it is well known that its Hilbert space is a representation of the Yangian $Y(\mathfrak{gl}_\ell)$, which in turn contains all relevant observables. For the classical rational Ruijsenaars-Schneider model, it is at first glance more mysterious which algebra we are supposed to consider. However, working with the *quantum* rational Ruijsenaars-Schneider model first, we will identify the relevant algebra as the degenerate affine Hecke algebra

$$\dot{H}_N = \mathbb{C}[S_N] \otimes \mathbb{C}[y_1, \dots, y_N]$$

contained in the degenerate *double* affine Hecke algebra

$$\ddot{H}_N = \mathbb{C}[X_1^{\pm 1}, \dots, X_N^{\pm 1}] \otimes \mathbb{C}[S_N] \otimes \mathbb{C}[y_1, \dots, y_N],$$

which possesses a representation on $\mathbb{C}[y_1, \dots, y_N]$ via Macdonald difference operators that realizes position space wave functions, *i.e.* the generators y_i become the position operators of the particles and the generators X_i correspond to momentum operators. We will show how the coincidence in the descriptions of the Heisenberg and Ruijsenaars-Schneider models can be summarized by twisting an old result of Drinfeld [Dri86]: There exists a generalized Schur-Weyl functor

$$D_{\ell, N} : \dot{H}_N \text{Mod} \rightarrow Y(\mathfrak{gl}_\ell) \text{Mod},$$

called the *Drinfeld functor*, which is fully faithful when $\ell > N$, giving an equivalence between \dot{H}_N -modules and $Y(\mathfrak{gl}_\ell)$ -modules of weight N . Applying this functor to the wave function representation $\mathbb{C}[y_1, \dots, y_N]$ reduces to the sought-after result, yielding the representation

$$(\mathbb{C}^\ell)^{\otimes N} \otimes_{S_N} \mathbb{C}[y_1, \dots, y_N]$$

of the Yangian, on which the momentum-like operators X_i act exactly as the non-local Hamiltonians of the spin chain when the Planck constant \hbar of the rational Ruijsenaars-Schneider model goes to zero.

This is however not the full picture. The fact that we are suddenly dealing with the Laurent generators X_i from the degenerate *double* affine Hecke algebra points to a missing piece. Recall that *non*-degenerate double affine Hecke algebras have an S -duality automorphism by way of interchanging their two sets of Laurent generators. As a remnant of this S -duality, the representation of \ddot{H}_N on $\mathbb{C}[y_1, \dots, y_N]$ above has an S -dual representation on $\mathbb{C}[X_1^{\pm 1}, \dots, X_N^{\pm 1}]$ via Dunkl differential operators. This representation describes the quantum trigonometric Calogero-Moser model. In a similar fashion as above, we can view it as a representation of the affine symmetric



Figure 1: A pictorial summary of the results of chapter 2. The reflection symmetry around the horizontal axis comes from generalized Schur-Weyl duality, while the reflection symmetry around the vertical axis comes from S -duality.

group $\dot{S}_N = S_N \ltimes \mathbb{Z}^N$ which sits inside \ddot{H}_N . Using Schur-Weyl duality for affine symmetric groups, we obtain a representation of the loop algebra $L(\mathfrak{gl}_\ell)$. We then combine the action of the loop algebra and the action of the Yangian to an action of the loop Yangian $LY(\mathfrak{gl}_\ell)$ [Gua05], unifying all four models using generalized Schur-Weyl duality between the degenerate double affine Hecke algebra and the loop Yangian. The entire situation is summarized by the mock commutative diagram in figure 1.

To finish our discussion, we will reframe this representation theoretic picture in a more geometric setting, thus connecting it to gauge theory. We will show that the Drinfeld functor defines part of a functorial quantum field theory representing four-dimensional Chern-Simons theory, which was first described in [Cos13] and subsequently expanded on in a series of papers starting with [CWY18a]. Four-dimensional Chern-Simons theory is a semi-topological quantum field theory or, more precisely, holomorphic in the first two dimensions and topological in the other two dimensions. Thus, it lives on a four-manifold $C \times \Sigma$, where C is a complex curve and Σ an oriented surface. Its main dynamical variable is a \mathfrak{gl}_ℓ -valued connection 1-form $A(z)$ on Σ , which is meromorphic in $z \in C$. One also fixes a meromorphic 1-form ω on C , which is wedged with the Chern-Simons 3-form of A to obtain the Langrangian density of the theory. Its poles and zeros respectively give rise to order and disorder defects of the gauge field A .

Specializing four-dimensional Chern-Simons theory to the four-manifold $C \times \Sigma$ with $C = \mathbb{P}^1$ and $\omega = dz$ as well as $\Sigma = S^1 \times [0, 1]$ a cylinder, we will see how the rational Ruijsenaars-Schneider model describes the dynamics of the coordinates y_i of Wilson lines along $[0, 1]$, while

Wilson loops winding around S^1 describe the transfer matrix of the Heisenberg model.

In short, the novel contributions of this thesis are the following:

- We explicitly show that the quantum trigonometric Calogero-Moser model and rational Ruijsenaars-Schneider model are realized as S -dual representations of the degenerate double affine Hecke algebra \ddot{H}_N with commuting Hamiltonians living in the spherical subalgebra $S\ddot{H}_N$. This is largely parallel to existing literature on the trigonometric Ruijsenaars-Schneider model, see [LPS22].
- We twist the Drinfeld functor $D_{\ell,N} : \dot{H}_N \text{Mod} \rightarrow Y(\mathfrak{gl}_\ell) \text{Mod}$ to give the *twist-extended Drinfeld functor* $D_{\ell,N}^g : \ddot{H}_N \text{Mod} \rightarrow S\ddot{H}_N \# Y(\mathfrak{gl}_\ell) \text{Mod}$ and show that it maps the Hamiltonians of the quantum rational Ruijsenaars-Schneider model to the Hamiltonians of the twisted inhomogeneous Heisenberg model in the limit where the Planck constant for the rational Ruijsenaars-Schneider model \hbar goes to zero.
- We show the same for the quantum trigonometric Calogero-Moser model, mapping to the trigonometric Gaudin model when $\hbar \rightarrow 0$.
- We construct a functorial quantum field theory representing four-dimensional Chern-Simons theory on $\mathbb{P}^1 \times S^1 \times [0, 1]$ and show how it describes the rational Ruijsenaars-Schneider model with spin.
- We extrapolate our description to four-dimensional Chern-Simons theory on $E \times S^1 \times [0, 1]$, where E is an elliptic curve, giving insights into the quantization of the elliptic Ruijsenaars-Schneider model with spin.

The remaining chapters of this thesis are structured as follows. Chapter 1 gives a full review from the basics of integrability to the state of the art of the pertinent models and establishes the setup that frames our discussion. Chapter 2 begins with a detailed discussion of the recent appearance of the Lax matrix of the rational Ruijsenaars-Schneider model in the functional relations for transfer matrices of the Heisenberg model used to derive the spectral equation whose solutions yield the energy spectrum of the Heisenberg model. We then move on to describe the mathematical underpinnings of generalized Schur-Weyl duality and how it gives rise to quantum-classical duality. The end of chapter 2 is dedicated to explicating S -duality, showing how the S -dual models, *i.e.* the trigonometric Gaudin model and the trigonometric Calogero-Moser model are also related by quantum-classical duality. Chapter 3 then continues with a description of the geometry behind the mathematical structures of chapter 2, constructing a functorial quantum field theory extending the Drinfeld functor. Finally, we argue why this functorial quantum field theory represents four-dimensional Chern-Simons theory. After the conclusion (chapter 4), we give supplementary material on Young diagrams (appendix A) as well as results on Dunkl operators for the trigonometric Calogero-Moser model (appendix B) and a short reference on elliptic functions (appendix ??).

– *Enjoy!* –

Chapter 1

Integrability

1.1 Classical integrability

1.1.1 Liouville theorem

Physical models in classical mechanics are described by phase spaces that are $2N$ -dimensional symplectic manifolds together with a choice of Hamiltonian H . In this setting, the definitive definition of integrability is given by *Liouville integrability*, which comes from the basic idea that conserved quantities reduce the effective dimensionality of the phase space. To see this, assume that we are handed a conserved quantity f , in other words $\dot{f} = \{H, f\} = 0$. By definition, f will be constant along the Hamiltonian flow generated by the Hamiltonian vector field of H , say $f \equiv c \in \mathbb{R}$, so we may narrow our phase space to individual level sets of f , which generically have codimension one. Continuing this argument by adding more conserved quantities while making sure that they all Poisson-commute, one will eventually arrive at a half-dimensional submanifold on which the equations of motion simplify greatly. This requires a full set of N independent Poisson-commuting observables, including the Hamiltonian. The precise statement is given by the Liouville-Arnold theorem [Arn89]:

Theorem 1.1.1 (Liouville-Arnold theorem). *Let M be a $2N$ -dimensional symplectic manifold and suppose there exist N smooth functions $f_1, \dots, f_N \in C^\infty(M)$ such that all pairwise Poisson brackets vanish, i.e. $\{f_i, f_j\} = 0$ for all $1 \leq i, j \leq N$ and the Hamiltonian H is a function of the f_i . Given $c = (c_1, \dots, c_N) \in \mathbb{R}^N$, consider the level set*

$$M_c := \{p \in M \mid f_i(p) = c_i\}.$$

If the 1-forms df_i are linearly independent on M_c , then:

- (i) M_c is a smooth submanifold invariant under the Hamiltonian flow.
- (ii) If M_c is compact and connected, then M_c is diffeomorphic to $(S^1)^N$. In this case, the Hamiltonian flow for H is linearly periodic, i.e. $\dot{\varphi}_i = \omega_i$ for φ_i the i th angular coordinate and ω_i a frequency dependent only on c and H .

Proof. Part (i) is an application of the Frobenius theorem. To show (ii), observe that the Hamiltonian flow of the commuting conserved quantities f_1, \dots, f_N generate an action of the N -dimensional commutative Lie algebra \mathbb{R}^N on M_c . The 1-forms df_i were assumed to be linearly independent, which implies that this action is locally free and hence is transitive and has discrete stabilizer, which must then be of the form $\mathbb{Z}^k \subseteq \mathbb{R}^N$. Compactness of M_c implies $k = N$ and $M_c \cong \mathbb{R}^N / \mathbb{Z}^N \cong (S^1)^N$. \square

Example. The simplest example of a Liouville integrable model is the classical harmonic oscillator. Its phase space is $(\mathbb{R}^2, dp \wedge dq)$ with Hamiltonian

$$H(p, q) = \frac{1}{2}(p^2 + q^2).$$

The Hamiltonian itself trivially provides enough conserved quantities for Liouville integrability to hold. This directly manifests in the time evolution of the harmonic oscillator: For a fixed energy $E = \frac{\alpha^2}{2}$, the equations of motion reduce to $\dot{\varphi} = 1$, where we have introduced the angular variable φ parameterizing p and q via

$$p(\varphi) = \alpha \cos(\varphi), \quad q(\varphi) = \alpha \sin(\varphi).$$

This is easily generalized to N uncoupled, possibly anisotropic harmonic oscillators with phase space $(\mathbb{R}^{2N}, \sum_i dp_i \wedge dq_i)$, conserved quantities

$$f_i = \frac{1}{2}(p_i^2 + \omega_i^2 q_i^2), \quad \omega_i \in \mathbb{R},$$

and Hamiltonian $H = \sum_i f_i$. The level sets for these integrals of motion are of the form $(S^1)^N$ with angular variables $\varphi_1, \dots, \varphi_N$ evolving linearly as $\dot{\varphi}_i = \omega_i$. Note that the time evolution is only truly periodic when the $\omega_1, \dots, \omega_N$ are all integer multiples of a fundamental frequency.

1.1.2 Lax pairs

The Liouville theorem leaves open the following question: How do we find enough conserved quantities? This is generally a very hard task, but there are some structures that can help us. One important such structure is the existence of a *Lax pair*:

Definition 1.1.2. A pair (L, M) of $n \times n$ matrices of observables is a *Lax pair* if the *Lax equation*

$$\dot{L} = [M, L].$$

holds. We then call L a *Lax matrix*.

Remark. Lax pairs are not unique. In fact, any Lax pair may be twisted by an invertible matrix of observables g via the gauge-like transformation

$$L \mapsto gLg^{-1}, \quad M \mapsto gMg^{-1} + \dot{g}g^{-1}$$

We may also add any polynomial in L to M without changing the Lax equation.

Proposition 1.1.3. *Given a Lax pair (L, M) , the spectral invariants $I_k := \text{tr } L^k$ for $k \in \mathbb{Z}$ constitute a family of conserved quantities.*

Proof. Notice that L^{-1} is also a Lax matrix:

$$\dot{L}^{-1} = -L^{-1}\dot{L}L^{-1} = -L^{-1}[M, L]L^{-1} = [M, L^{-1}].$$

Hence, for $k \geq 0$ we obtain

$$\dot{I}_{\pm k} = k \text{tr}(L^{\pm 1})^{k-1} \dot{L}^{\pm 1} = k \text{tr}(L^{\pm 1})^{k-1} [M, L^{\pm 1}] = k \text{tr}[M, L^{\pm k}] = 0,$$

making use of the cyclic property of the trace. □

Example. Let us again consider the harmonic oscillator and introduce the matrices

$$L = \frac{1}{2} \begin{pmatrix} p & q \\ q & -p \end{pmatrix}, \quad M = \frac{1}{2} \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

We check

$$\dot{L} = \frac{1}{2} \begin{pmatrix} -q & p \\ p & q \end{pmatrix} = \frac{1}{4} \begin{pmatrix} p & q \\ q & -p \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} - \frac{1}{4} \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} p & q \\ q & -p \end{pmatrix} = [M, L]$$

and see that the conserved quantity $\text{tr } L^2 = \frac{1}{2}(p^2 + q^2)$ is the Hamiltonian.

We quickly remark that the existence of a Lax pair is by itself insufficient to guarantee Liouville integrability. Firstly, it might fail to produce enough *independent* conserved quantities, and secondly, it might fail to produce *Poisson-commuting* conserved quantities. However, there is a way to guarantee that the spectral invariants of the Lax matrix Poisson-commute. We briefly state this result here:

Theorem 1.1.4 (Babelon-Viallet [Aru20]). *The eigenvalues of a matrix L of observables on a phase space (M, ω) Poisson-commute if and only if there exists a so-called dynamical r -matrix $r \in \text{Mat}_n(C^\infty(M))^{\otimes 2}$ with*

$$\{L_1, L_2\} = [r_{12}, L_1] - [r_{21}, L_2],$$

where L_1, L_2 respectively denote $L \otimes 1, 1 \otimes L$ and r_{21}, r_{12} respectively denote r with and without the tensor factors swapped.

1.1.3 Lax connections

The definition of a Lax pair arguably looks ad hoc. One way to see how this structure makes sense is to look at how Lax pairs arise from the flatness equation of so called *Lax connections* in two-dimensional field theories. For later purposes, we will consider Lax connections with a *spectral parameter*.

Definition 1.1.5. Let Σ be an oriented surface and \mathfrak{g} a semi-simple Lie algebra. A *Lax connection with spectral parameter* is a \mathfrak{g} -valued 1-form $A(z)$ on Σ meromorphic in z such that $A(z)$ is flat when z is not a pole. Writing

$$A(z) = A_t(z)dt + A_x(z)dx$$

in local coordinates t, x , this means

$$\partial_t A_x(z) - \partial_x A_t(z) = [A_t(z), A_x(z)].$$

Proposition 1.1.6. Let $\Sigma = \mathbb{R} \times S^1$ be a cylinder with axial coordinate t and angular coordinate x and $A(z) = A_t(z)dt + A_x(z)dx$ be a Lax connection. Let z not be a pole and

$$L(z) := \text{Hol}_\gamma(A(z)), \quad M(z) := A_t(z)|_{x=0},$$

where γ is a loop winding once around the cylinder and $\text{Hol}_\gamma(A)$ denotes the holonomy of A around γ , which is invariant under homotopies due to flatness. Then $(L(z), M(z))$ is a Lax pair.

Proof. Let us follow [Bei14] and let γ be a curve starting at $(t_0, x_0) \in \Sigma$ and ending at $(t_1, x_1) \in \Sigma$. The defining partial differential equations for the holonomy give

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial t_0} \text{Hol}_\gamma(A(z)) = -A_t(z)|_{x=x_0} \text{Hol}_\gamma(A(z)), \quad \frac{\partial}{\partial t_1} \text{Hol}_\gamma(A(z)) = A_t(z)|_{x=x_1} \text{Hol}_\gamma(A(z)).$$

Choosing $x_0 = x_1 = 0$ and $t_0 = t_1$ and letting γ wind once around the cylinder implies

$$\begin{aligned} \dot{L}(z) &= \frac{\partial}{\partial t_0} \text{Hol}_\gamma(A(z)) + \frac{\partial}{\partial t_1} \text{Hol}_\gamma(A(z)) \\ &= A_t(z)|_{x=0} \text{Hol}_\gamma(A(z)) - A_t(z)|_{x=0} \text{Hol}_\gamma(A(z)) = [M(z), L(z)], \end{aligned}$$

which shows that we indeed have a Lax pair. □

Remark. The conserved quantities $I_k(z) = \text{tr } L(z)^k$ arising from Lax connections on a cylinder $\Sigma = \mathbb{R} \times S^1$ are exactly the traces of holonomies of loops with winding number k around the cylinder. We may expand $I_k(z)$ around $z = 0$ to obtain an infinite tower of conserved quantities.

1.1.4 Ruijsenaars-Schneider and Calogero-Moser models

We now come to two very important classes of examples of classical integrable models: The Ruijsenaars-Schneider and Calogero-Moser models. Fix for the rest of this thesis two non-zero complex numbers \hbar and η , respectively describing the Planck constant and coupling constant of the Ruijsenaars-Schneider and Calogero-Moser models. We will later also be interested in the limit $\hbar \rightarrow 0$.

Definition 1.1.7. The *classical Ruijsenaars-Schneider models*, originally constructed in [Rui87], for N particles of positions y_i and momenta p_i , speed of light c , and coupling constant η have the Hamiltonians

$$H^{\text{RS}} := \sum_i \cosh(p_i/c) \prod_{i \neq j} \sqrt{1 + \frac{u(y_i - y_j)}{u(\eta/c)}} \quad (1.1)$$

with $u(y) := 1/y^2$ for the rational and $u(y) := 1/(4 \sinh^2(y/2))$ for the trigonometric case.

For the sequel, we will set $c = 1$, though we first note that setting

$$H^{\text{CM}} := \frac{1}{2} \sum_i p_i^2 + \frac{\eta^2}{2} \sum_{i \neq j} u(y_i - y_j), \quad (1.2)$$

and expanding H^{RS} around $c = \infty$ yields

Proposition 1.1.8.

$$H^{\text{RS}} = N + \left(\frac{1}{c}\right)^2 H^{\text{CM}} + \mathcal{O}\left(\left(\frac{1}{c}\right)^4\right).$$

Proof. This is a quick computation with Mathematica (\rightarrow `RSHamiltonianExpansion.nb`). \square

Definition 1.1.9. The function H^{CM} from equation (1.2) defines the Hamiltonians for the *classical Calogero-Moser models*.

The Hamiltonian (1.2) of the rational Calogero-Moser model evidently describes point particles repelling each other through centrifugal inverse-cube forces. [Rui87] hence argues that the rational Ruijsenaars-Schneider model describes the same phenomenon in the relativistic setting with finite speed of light c . We further remark that the trigonometric case might be thought of as having periodic coordinates after taking the position variables y_i to be purely imaginary, hence describing particles moving on a circle. Our focus will be on the rational Ruijsenaars-Schneider model and the trigonometric Calogero-Moser model.

Proposition 1.1.10. *Lax matrices ensuring Liouville integrability for the rational Ruijsenaars-Schneider and the trigonometric Calogero-Moser model are given by*

$$L_{ij}^{\text{RS}} = \frac{\eta}{y_i - y_j + \eta} \left(\prod_{k \neq j} \frac{y_j - y_k - \eta}{y_j - y_k} \right) e^{-p_j} \quad (1.3)$$

and

$$L_{ij}^{\text{CM}} = \delta_{ij} p_i + (1 - \delta_{ij}) \eta \theta_{ij}, \quad \theta_{ij} := \frac{e^{y_i}}{e^{y_i} - e^{y_j}}.$$

Proof. See [Aru20]. \square

Remark. For the rational Ruijsenaars-Schneider model, we will make use of the alternative Hamiltonian

$$\text{tr } L^{\text{RS}} = \sum_i \left(\prod_{i \neq j} \frac{y_i - y_j - \eta}{y_i - y_j} \right) e^{-p_i}. \quad (1.4)$$

Choosing this Hamiltonian is mostly a matter of convention, as $\text{tr } L^{\text{RS}} + \text{tr}(L^{\text{RS}})^{-1}$ is equivalent to (1.1) up to a canonical transformation [Aru20]. Note that for the trigonometric Calogero-Moser model we already have

$$\frac{1}{2} \text{tr}(L^{\text{CM}})^2 = H^{\text{CM}}$$

due to $\theta_{ij}\theta_{ji} = 1/(4 \sinh^2((y_i - y_j)/2))$.

1.2 Quantum integrability

Integrability in the quantum context is generally considered to be a more diffuse concept than classical integrability. The basic definition generalizing Liouville integrability is the existence of a large set of mutually commuting quantum observables that include the Hamiltonian. Such can often be guaranteed by the existence of operators fulfilling the quantum Yang-Baxter equation or the applicability of various Bethe ansätze [Aru]. This usually comes hand-in-hand with the existence of large symmetries, especially *Hecke symmetries* and *Yangian symmetries*, which automatically generate sets of commuting operators via their commutative subalgebras.

In order to quantize the rational Ruijsenaars-Schneider and trigonometric Calogero-Moser model, we will start with a discussion of Hecke algebras and their representations, after which we move on to the Yangian of \mathfrak{gl}_ℓ , whose representation theory gives rise to the Heisenberg model.

1.2.1 Weyl groups and Hecke algebras of type A

Definition 1.2.1. (i) The Weyl group of type A_{N-1} is the symmetric group S_N on N letters.

We write cycles in standard form $(1 \ 2 \ 3)$, mapping 1 to 2, 2 to 3, and 3 to 1, and denote the simple transpositions $(i \ i+1)$ by s_i for $1 \leq i < N$. Finally, we let $w := s_1 \cdots s_{N-1} = (1 \ \cdots \ N)$ denote the Coxeter element.

(ii) Define the *Jucys-Murphy elements* $Y_i := \sum_{k=1}^{i-1} (k \ i) \in \mathbb{C}[S_N]$. They commute among each other and fulfill $s_i Y_j = Y_j s_i$ for $|i - j| > 1$ as well as $s_i Y_i = Y_{i+1} s_i - 1$.

(iii) Given a standard Young tableau t of shape λ partitioning N , define the *Specht polynomial*

$$f_t(y_1, \dots, y_N) := \prod_{i < j \text{ in a column of } t} (y_j - y_i).$$

(iv) The *Specht module* $S(\lambda)$ is the $\mathbb{C}[S_N]$ -module spanned by f_t , where t ranges over all standard Young tableaux of shape λ and S_N acts by permutation of variables.

Proposition 1.2.2. (i) The Specht modules $S(\lambda)$, for λ ranging over Young diagrams partitioning N , exhaust all finite-dimensional irreducible representations of $\mathbb{C}[S_N]$.

(ii) The Specht module $S(\lambda)$ has a basis $\{v_t\}$ labeled by standard Young tableaux t of shape λ such that

$$Y_i v_t = c_i(t) v_t,$$

where $c_i(t)$ is the content of i in t .

Proof. For (ii), see [Mur81], and (i) is a well-known result. \square

- Definition 1.2.3.** (i) The *affine Weyl group of type A_{N-1}* is the group $\dot{S}_N := S_N \ltimes \mathbb{Z}^N$, where S_N acts on \mathbb{Z}^N by permutation of coordinates. The group algebra $\mathbb{C}[\dot{S}_N]$ is canonically generated by the group algebra $\mathbb{C}[S_N]$ of the symmetric group and an algebra of Laurent polynomials $\mathbb{C}[X_1^{\pm 1}, \dots, X_N^{\pm 1}]$. In fact, it is generated by the simple transpositions s_i and the element $\pi := X_1 w$.
- (ii) The *degenerate double affine Hecke algebra (of type A_{N-1})* is the complex associative algebra \ddot{H}_N generated by the group algebra $\mathbb{C}[\dot{S}_N]$ and the polynomial algebra $\mathbb{C}[y_1, \dots, y_N]$ subject to the cross-relations

$$s_i y_j = y_j s_i, \quad s_i y_i = y_{i+1} s_i + \eta, \quad \pi y_i \pi^{-1} = y_{i+1}, \quad \pi y_N \pi^{-1} = y_1 + i\hbar,$$

where $1 \leq i < N, 1 \leq j \leq N$ and $|i - j| > 1$. It can thus be seen to be generated by the simple transpositions s_i as well as π and y_1 . Let us also remark that these relations admit an anti-automorphism

$$s_i \mapsto s_i, \quad X_i \mapsto X_i^{-1}, \quad y_i \mapsto y_i,$$

making left modules equivalent to right modules.

- (iii) The subalgebra $\dot{H}_N \subset \ddot{H}_N$ generated only by $\mathbb{C}[S_N]$ and $\mathbb{C}[y_1, \dots, y_N]$ is the *degenerate affine Hecke algebra (of type A_{N-1})*. It is also generated by the s_i and y_1 . There is an evaluation homomorphism

$$\text{ev} : \dot{H}_N \rightarrow S_N[y], \quad s_i \mapsto s_i, y_i \mapsto y - \eta Y_i.$$

- (iv) Let $e := \frac{1}{N!} \sum_{\sigma \in S_N} \sigma \in \ddot{H}_N$ be the symmetrizer. Then $S\ddot{H}_N := e\ddot{H}_N e$ is the *spherical degenerate double affine Hecke algebra (of type A_{N-1})*, or *spherical subalgebra* for short.

The spherical degenerate double affine Hecke algebra will be of great importance, since it produces families of commuting operators by the following proposition:

Proposition 1.2.4. (i) $S\ddot{H}_N$ is finitely generated and commutative.

- (ii) $S\ddot{H}_N$ is generated as a commutative algebra by elementary symmetric polynomials in X_1, \dots, X_N and y_1, \dots, y_N .
- (iii) The degenerate double affine Hecke algebra \ddot{H}_N is finite over $S\ddot{H}_N$.
- (iv) Specializing to $\hbar = 0$, there is the Satake isomorphism $Z(\ddot{H}_N) \xrightarrow{\sim} S\ddot{H}_N, z \mapsto ze$, while one has $Z(\ddot{H}_N) = \mathbb{C}$ for $\hbar \neq 0$.
- (v) The spectrum of $S\ddot{H}_N$ is the configuration space of the classical rational Ruijsenaars-Schneider and trigonometric Calogero-Moser model.

Proof. See [Ob103]. \square

Much of the following is parallel to [LPS22], where the non-degenerate case is discussed. We construct a representation of \dot{H}_N on polynomials $\mathbb{C}[y_1, \dots, y_N]$. This is supposed to become the wave function representation for the rational Ruijsenaars-Schneider model. Let us begin by considering the action where S_N acts by permutation of the variables. This allows us to introduce the following operators:

(i) The *divided difference operators* are defined as

$$\Delta_i := (y_i - y_{i+1})^{-1}(1 - s_i).$$

Note that the anti-symmetrization implies that $\Delta_i^2 = 0$ and that $\Delta_i f$ for any polynomial f will again be a polynomial despite its denominator. We further note that $\Delta_i y_i = y_{i+1} \Delta_i + 1$.

(ii) The *t-operators* are defined as

$$t_i := s_i + \eta \Delta_i = \frac{y_i - y_{i+1} - \eta}{y_i - y_{i+1}} s_i + \frac{\eta}{y_i - y_{i+1}}.$$

Proposition 1.2.5. *The mapping*

$$s_i \mapsto t_i, \quad y_i \mapsto y_i$$

gives rise to a representation of \dot{H}_N on $\mathbb{C}[y_1, \dots, y_N]$.

Proof. It is clear that t_i and t_j as well as t_i and y_j commute for $|i - j| > 1$. We also have

$$t_i^2 = 1 + s_i \eta \Delta_i + \eta \Delta_i s_i + \eta^2 \Delta_i^2 = 1 + \eta \Delta_i - \eta \Delta_i = 1.$$

as well as the braid relation $t_i t_{i-1} t_i = t_{i-1} t_i t_{i-1}$, which may be quickly checked in Mathematica (\rightarrow `TOperatorRelations.nb`). The relation $t_i y_i = y_{i+1} t_i + \eta$ follows readily from $\Delta_i y_i = y_{i+1} \Delta_i + 1$. \square

To extend this representation to the degenerate double affine Hecke algebra \ddot{H}_N , introduce the x -operators

$$x_{ji} := \frac{y_i - y_j - \eta}{y_i - y_j} + \frac{\eta}{y_i - y_j} (i \ j).$$

Lemma 1.2.6. *The x -operators fulfill the quantum Yang-Baxter equation $x_{ij} x_{ik} x_{jk} = x_{jk} x_{ik} x_{ij}$ as well as $x_{ij} e^{i\hbar \partial_i} e^{i\hbar \partial_j} = e^{i\hbar \partial_j} e^{i\hbar \partial_i} x_{ij}$.*

Proof. The second identity follows because $e^{i\hbar \partial_i}$ and $e^{i\hbar \partial_j}$ commute and their combination $e^{i\hbar \partial_i} e^{i\hbar \partial_j}$ preserves the coefficients of x_{ij} . To tackle the first identity, note that $\sigma x_{ij} \sigma^{-1} = x_{\sigma(i)\sigma(j)}$ as well as $t_i s_i = x_{i+1,i}$ and $s_i t_i = x_{i,i+1}$. The quantum Yang-Baxter equation for the x -operators then reduces to the equation

$$x_{i-1,i+1} x_{i-1,i} x_{i+1,i} = x_{i+1,i} x_{i-1,i} x_{i-1,i+1},$$

which follows from the braid relation $t_i t_{i-1} t_i = t_{i-1} t_i t_{i-1}$:

$$\begin{aligned}
x_{i-1,i+1} x_{i-1,i} x_{i+1,i} &= x_{i-1,i+1} s_{i-1} t_{i-1} t_i s_i \\
&= s_{i-1} x_{i,i+1} t_{i-1} t_i s_i \\
&= s_{i-1} s_i t_i t_{i-1} t_i s_i \\
&= s_{i-1} s_i t_{i-1} t_i t_{i-1} s_i \\
&= s_{i-1} s_i s_{i-1} s_{i-1} t_{i-1} t_i t_{i-1} s_{i-1} s_{i-1} s_i \\
&= s_i s_{i-1} s_i x_{i-1,i} t_i x_{i,i-1} s_{i-1} s_i \\
&= s_i s_{i-1} x_{i-1,i+1} s_i t_i x_{i,i-1} s_{i-1} s_i \\
&= s_i s_{i-1} x_{i-1,i+1} x_{i,i+1} x_{i,i-1} s_{i-1} s_i \\
&= x_{i+1,i} x_{i-1,i} x_{i-1,i+1}.
\end{aligned}$$

□

Proposition 1.2.7. *The mapping*

$$s_i \mapsto t_i, \quad X_i \mapsto x_{i,i-1} \cdots x_{i1} e^{i\hbar \partial_i} x_{iN} \cdots x_{i,i+1}, \quad y_i \mapsto y_i$$

gives rise to a representation of \ddot{H}_N on $\mathbb{C}[y_1, \dots, y_N]$.

Proof. Let π act on $\mathbb{C}[y_1, \dots, y_N]$ by

$$(\pi f)(y_1, \dots, y_N) := f(y_2, \dots, y_N, y_1 + i\hbar).$$

It is clear that this action fulfills the necessary relations between π and the y_i . Furthermore, we see that $X_1 = \pi w^{-1}$ acts as $\pi t_{N-1} \cdots t_1$, which implies that X_i acts as $t_{i-1} \cdots t_1 \pi t_{N-1} \cdots t_i$. We arrive at

$$\begin{aligned}
t_{i-1} \cdots t_1 \pi t_{N-1} \cdots t_i &= t_{i-1} \cdots t_1 e^{i\hbar \partial_1} s_1 \cdots s_{N-1} t_{N-1} \cdots t_i \\
&= t_{i-1} \cdots t_1 s_1 \cdots s_{i-1} e^{i\hbar \partial_i} s_i \cdots s_{N-1} t_{N-1} \cdots t_i \\
&= x_{i,i-1} \cdots x_{i1} e^{i\hbar \partial_i} x_{iN} \cdots x_{i,i+1}.
\end{aligned}$$

It remains to show commutativity of X_1, \dots, X_N , and it suffices to check $X_2 X_1 = X_1 X_2$. Indeed,

$$\begin{aligned}
&x_{21} e^{i\hbar \partial_2} x_{2N} \cdots x_{23} e^{i\hbar \partial_1} x_{1N} \cdots x_{13} x_{12} \\
&= e^{i\hbar \partial_1} x_{1N} \cdots x_{13} e^{i\hbar \partial_2} x_{2N} \cdots x_{23} x_{21} x_{12} \\
&= e^{i\hbar \partial_1} x_{1N} \cdots x_{13} x_{12} x_{21} e^{i\hbar \partial_2} x_{2N} \cdots x_{23},
\end{aligned}$$

where we made use of lemma 1.2.6 as well as $x_{ij} x_{ji} = 1$. □

We may also construct a representation on the S -dual Laurent generators: Clearly, there is a representation of \dot{S}_N on $\mathbb{C}[X_1^{\pm 1}, \dots, X_N^{\pm 1}]$ where S_N permutes the variables and X_i acts simply by multiplication. Furthermore, we can extend this representation to \ddot{H}_N in the following way:

Proposition 1.2.8. Let $\theta_{ij} := X_i/(X_i - X_j)$. The mapping

$$s_i \mapsto s_i, \quad X_i \mapsto X_i, \quad y_i \mapsto -i\hbar X_i \partial_i - i\eta + \eta \sum_{j < i} \theta_{ji}(1 - (i \ j)) - \eta \sum_{j > i} \theta_{ij}(1 - (i \ j))$$

gives rise to a representation of \ddot{H}_N on $\mathbb{C}[X_1^{\pm 1}, \dots, X_N^{\pm 1}]$.

Proof. We refer to appendix B, lemma B.1. □

Remark. The operators X_i acting on $\mathbb{C}[y_1, \dots, y_N]$ are called *rational Macdonald operators*, while the operators y_i acting on $\mathbb{C}[X_1^{\pm 1}, \dots, X_N^{\pm 1}]$ are called *trigonometric Dunkl operators* in the literature.

1.2.2 Quantization of Ruijsenaars-Schneider and Calogero-Moser models

We will now show that the former polynomial representation above yields the rational Ruijsenaars-Schneider model, while the latter yields the trigonometric Calogero-Moser model. More precisely, we will see that certain symmetric polynomials in the X_i and y_i respectively yield the correct Hamiltonians. This manifests the spectral duality between those two systems [Cha00] as a remnant of the S -duality exchanging the two sets of Laurent generators of the non-degenerate double affine Hecke algebra.

Definition 1.2.9. The *quantum rational Ruijsenaars-Schneider model* is essentially given by the former polynomial representation of the degenerate double affine Hecke algebra. Concretely, its Hilbert space of wave functions is nothing but the vector space $\mathbb{C}[y_1, \dots, y_N]$, where the polynomial generators y_1, \dots, y_N provide position operators while the Laurent generators X_1, \dots, X_N provide operators involving momenta. Of particular interest is the spherical degenerate double affine Hecke algebra $S\ddot{H}_N$, from which we get commuting Hamiltonians

$$D_k := e_k(X_1, \dots, X_N) \in S\ddot{H}_N,$$

with e_k the k th elementary symmetric polynomial.

Proposition 1.2.10. On symmetric polynomials, i.e. bosonic wave functions, D_1 reduces to the canonically quantized Hamiltonian (1.4) of the rational Ruijsenaars-Schneider model:

$$D_1 = \sum_i \left(\prod_{i \neq j} \frac{y_i - y_j - \eta}{y_i - y_j} \right) e^{i\hbar \partial_i}.$$

Proof. We proceed in analogy to [JKK⁺95]. We know that X_i acts as

$$x_{i,i-1} \cdots x_{i1} e^{i\hbar \partial_i} x_{iN} \cdots x_{i,i+1}$$

by the previous lemma. It is clear that x_{ij} acts as the identity on symmetric polynomials. Note however that while D_1 does preserve the space of symmetric polynomials, $e^{i\hbar \partial_i}$ on its own does not, so the x_{ij} to the left of $e^{i\hbar \partial_i}$ act non-trivially. Pulling the permutations to the right yields

$$\left(\prod_{j < i} \frac{y_i - y_j - \eta}{y_i - y_j} \right) e^{i\hbar \partial_i} + (\text{terms for } e^{i\hbar \partial_j} \text{ with } j < i).$$

In particular, we see that only X_N contributes to the coefficient in front of $e^{i\hbar\partial_N}$, which is exactly $\prod_{N \neq j} \frac{y_N - y_j - \eta}{y_N - y_j}$. The symmetry $(j \cdots N)D_1(N \cdots j) = D_1$ for $j < N$ shows that the coefficients in front of $e^{i\hbar\partial_j}$ also have this form. \square

Let us now move on to the trigonometric Calogero-Moser model:

Definition 1.2.11. The *quantum trigonometric Calogero-Moser model* is given by the latter polynomial representation of the degenerate double affine Hecke algebra, i.e. $\mathbb{C}[X_1^\pm, \dots, X_N^\pm]$ is its Hilbert space of wave functions with position operators X_1, \dots, X_N and momentum-like operators y_1, \dots, y_N . We again have a set of commuting Hamiltonians in the spherical degenerate double affine Hecke algebra given by

$$C'_k := \frac{1}{k} p_k(y_1, \dots, y_N) \in S\ddot{H}_N,$$

with p_k the k th power sum symmetric polynomial. To compare with the classical case, [Eti09] considers the conjugates

$$C_k := \delta^{-1} C'_k \delta, \quad \delta := \prod_{i < j} (X_i - X_j)^{2i\eta/\hbar}.$$

Proposition 1.2.12. On $\delta^{-1}\mathbb{C}[X_1^{\pm 1}, \dots, X_N^{\pm 1}]^{S_N}$, C_1 reduces to the canonically quantized total momentum of the trigonometric Calogero-Moser model, while C_2 reduces to the Hamiltonian:

$$C_1 = -i\hbar \sum_i X_i \partial_i, \quad C_2 = -\frac{\hbar^2}{2} \sum_i (X_i \partial_i)^2 + \frac{\eta(\eta - i\hbar)}{2} \sum_{i \neq j} \theta_{ij} \theta_{ji}.$$

Proof. We refer to appendix B, lemma B.2. \square

Remark. The reparametrization $X_i = e^{x_i}$ yields

$$X_i \frac{\partial}{\partial X_i} = \frac{\partial}{\partial x_i}, \quad \theta_{ij} \theta_{ji} = \frac{1}{4 \sinh^2((x_i - x_j)/2)},$$

so C_2 will indeed reduce to the classical Hamiltonian (1.2) upon sending \hbar to zero.

1.2.3 The Yangian of \mathfrak{gl}_ℓ

In order to define the Heisenberg model, we will make use of the representation theory of the *Yangian*. The Yangian $Y(\mathfrak{gl}_\ell)$ was first defined by Drinfeld in his seminal paper [Dri85] introducing quantum groups. An extensive textbook review can be found in [Mol07], which we follow closely.

Definition 1.2.13. The *Yangian* for the complex Lie algebra \mathfrak{gl}_ℓ , written $Y(\mathfrak{gl}_\ell)$, is defined as the complex associative algebra with the following presentation: It has generators $t_{ij}^{(r)}$ for $1 \leq i, j \leq \ell$ and $r \geq 1$, which are subject to the relations

$$[t_{ij}^{(r+1)}, t_{kl}^{(s)}] - [t_{ij}^{(r)}, t_{kl}^{(s+1)}] = \eta(t_{kj}^{(r)} t_{il}^{(s)} - t_{kj}^{(s)} t_{il}^{(r)}), \quad (1.5)$$

with $r, s \geq 0$ making use of $t_{ij}^{(0)} := \delta_{ij}/\eta$. Note that specializing to $\eta = 0$ yields the relations for the current algebra $\mathfrak{gl}_\ell[z^{-1}]$, hence the Yangian may be understood as a deformation thereof. Also note that the Yangian is a filtered algebra where we let $t_{ij}^{(r)}$ have degree $r - 1$. Denote its filtered pieces by $F_i Y(\mathfrak{gl}_\ell)$.

Remark. It is often useful to introduce these generators as coefficients of a formal power series

$$t_{ij}(z) := \eta \sum_{r \geq 0} t_{ij}^{(r)} z^{-r} \in Y(\mathfrak{gl}_\ell)[[z^{-1}]].$$

The parameter z is called the *spectral parameter*. With this notation, equation (1.5) becomes

$$(z - w)[t_{ij}(z), t_{kl}(w)] = \eta(t_{kj}(z)t_{il}(w) - t_{kj}(w)t_{il}(z)) \in Y(\mathfrak{gl}_\ell)[[z^{-1}, w^{-1}]], \quad (1.6)$$

which should be understood as an equality of the coefficients in each degree.

One might ask how $Y(\mathfrak{gl}_\ell)$ is related to \mathfrak{gl}_ℓ . To this end, we let e_{ij} denote the basis of matrix units for \mathfrak{gl}_ℓ generating the universal enveloping algebra $U(\mathfrak{gl}_\ell)$. We observe from the defining relations for $r = 0$ and $s = 1$ that

$$[t_{ij}^{(1)}, t_{kl}^{(1)}] = \delta_{kj}t_{il}^{(1)} - t_{kj}^{(1)}\delta_{il},$$

which are the defining relations for the Lie algebra \mathfrak{gl}_ℓ . This motivates the following:

Proposition 1.2.14. (i) *There is an injective homomorphism*

$$U(\mathfrak{gl}_\ell) \rightarrow Y(\mathfrak{gl}_\ell), \quad e_{ij} \mapsto t_{ij}^{(1)}.$$

(ii) *There is a surjective homomorphism*

$$\text{ev}_0 : Y(\mathfrak{gl}_\ell) \rightarrow U(\mathfrak{gl}_\ell), \quad t_{ij}^{(1)} \mapsto e_{ij}, \quad t_{ij}^{(p)} \mapsto 0, \quad p > 1$$

called the evaluation homomorphism. On the level of power series, it is given by

$$Y(\mathfrak{gl}_\ell)[[z^{-1}]] \rightarrow U(\mathfrak{gl}_\ell)[[z^{-1}]], \quad t_{ij}(z) \mapsto \delta_{ij} + \frac{\eta e_{ij}}{z}.$$

which should be understood coefficient-wise.

We saw that it can be notationally convenient to introduce the formal parameter z and work inside the algebra $Y(\mathfrak{gl}_\ell)[[z^{-1}]]$. In the same vein, it will also be convenient to work inside the algebra $\text{End } \mathbb{C}^\ell \otimes Y(\mathfrak{gl}_\ell)[[z^{-1}]]$ and write the generators of $Y(\mathfrak{gl}_\ell)$ in matrix form:

$$T(z) := \sum_{ij} e_{ij} \otimes t_{ij}(z) \in \text{End } \mathbb{C}^\ell \otimes Y(\mathfrak{gl}_\ell)[[z^{-1}]].$$

The additional vector space \mathbb{C}^ℓ is usually called the *auxiliary space* to distinguish it from representation spaces, usually called *quantum spaces*. The expression may be thought of as a power

series of matrices with coefficients in $Y(\mathfrak{gl}_\ell)$. With this in hand, define the following elements in $\text{End } \mathbb{C}^\ell \otimes Y(\mathfrak{gl}_\ell)[[z^{-1}]]^{\otimes N}$:

$$T_{[a]}(z) := \sum_{ij} e_{ij}^0 \otimes \overset{1}{1} \otimes \cdots \otimes t_{ij}^a(z) \otimes \cdots \otimes \overset{N}{1},$$

where we have used 0 to denote the auxiliary space index and $1, \dots, a, \dots, N$ to denote quantum space indices. We can now define the map

$$\text{End } \mathbb{C}^\ell \otimes Y(\mathfrak{gl}_\ell)[[z^{-1}]] \rightarrow \text{End } \mathbb{C}^\ell \otimes Y(\mathfrak{gl}_\ell)[[z^{-1}]]^{\otimes 2}, \quad T(z) \mapsto T_{[1]}(z)T_{[2]}(z).$$

Using the identity $e_{ij}e_{kl} = \delta_{jk}e_{il}$, we see that on $Y(\mathfrak{gl}_\ell)[[z^{-1}]]$ this reduces to

$$Y(\mathfrak{gl}_\ell)[[z^{-1}]] \rightarrow Y(\mathfrak{gl}_\ell)[[z^{-1}]]^{\otimes 2}, \quad t_{ij}(z) \mapsto \sum_k t_{ik}(z) \otimes t_{kj}(z),$$

which degree-wise gives the map

$$\Delta : Y(\mathfrak{gl}_\ell) \rightarrow Y(\mathfrak{gl}_\ell) \otimes Y(\mathfrak{gl}_\ell), \quad t_{ij}^{(r)} \mapsto \sum_k \sum_{s=0}^r t_{ik}^{(s)} \otimes t_{kj}^{(r-s)}. \quad (1.7)$$

Proposition 1.2.15. *The map Δ from (1.7) is an algebra homomorphism. It equips $Y(\mathfrak{gl}_\ell)$ with the structure of a bialgebra with counit*

$$\epsilon : Y(\mathfrak{gl}_\ell) \rightarrow \mathbb{C}, \quad t_{ij}^{(r)} \mapsto 0.$$

Furthermore, $Y(\mathfrak{gl}_\ell)$ is a Hopf algebra. The antipode can be represented on the level of the algebra $\text{End } \mathbb{C}^\ell \otimes Y(\mathfrak{gl}_\ell)[[z^{-1}]]$ as

$$S : T(z) \mapsto T(z)^{-1}.$$

The inverse $T(z)^{-1}$ exists since the leading term in the series is the identity matrix.

Proof. This is theorem 1.5.1 of [Mol07]. □

Remark. Similar to the definition of the $T_{[a]}(z)$, we may define the following elements of the algebra $(\text{End } \mathbb{C}^\ell)^{\otimes k} \otimes Y(\mathfrak{gl}_\ell)[[z^{-1}]]$:

$$T_a(z) := \sum_{ij} \overset{1}{1} \otimes \cdots \otimes e_{ij}^a \otimes \cdots \otimes \overset{k}{1} \otimes t_{ij}^0(z),$$

where we have used $1, \dots, a, \dots, k$ to denote auxiliary space indices and 0 to denote the quantum space index. Letting $P := \sum_{ij} e_{ij} \otimes e_{ji} \in (\text{End } V)^{\otimes 2}$ be the permutation operator and

$$R(z) := 1 - \frac{\eta P}{z}$$

be Yang's rational R -matrix, we obtain the following proposition:

Proposition 1.2.16. *The defining relations (1.6) of the Yangian may equivalently be written as*

$$R_{12}(z-w)T_1(z)T_2(w) = T_2(w)T_1(z)R_{12}(z-w), \quad (1.8)$$

where $R_{12}(z-w)$ is understood to act on the two auxiliary spaces labeled 1 and 2.

Proof. Consider the result of acting on $e_j \otimes e_l \in \mathbb{C}^\ell \otimes \mathbb{C}^\ell$. The left hand side gives

$$\sum_{ik} e_i \otimes e_k \otimes t_{ij}(z)t_{kl}(w) - \frac{\eta}{z-w} \sum_{ik} e_i \otimes e_k \otimes t_{kj}(z)t_{il}(w)$$

while the right hand side gives

$$\sum_{ik} e_i \otimes e_k \otimes t_{kl}(w)t_{ij}(z) - \frac{\eta}{z-w} \sum_{ik} e_i \otimes e_k \otimes t_{kj}(z)t_{il}(w).$$

But this becomes exactly (1.6) after multiplying with $z-w$. □

Remark. Note that the RTT relation is invariant under multiplying the R -matrix by a power-series in $z-w$. There are different conventions for the choice of normalization, which we briefly summarize:

Yang's convention	$R(z) = 1 - \frac{\eta}{z}P$
polynomial convention	$\hat{R}(z) = z - \eta P$
unitary convention	$\check{R}(z) = \frac{z}{z-\eta} - \frac{\eta}{z-\eta}P$

Diagrammatically, we write the R -matrix according to Yang's convention as

$$z \begin{array}{c} | \\ \text{---} \\ | \\ w \end{array} = \begin{array}{c} | \\ \text{---} \\ | \end{array} - \frac{\eta}{z-w} \begin{array}{c} \text{---} \\ | \end{array}$$

where we indicate the R -matrix at a crossing with an arc, signifying that it acts from south-west to north-east. Mathematically, these are to be read as string diagrams. Physically, the diagrams show two interacting particles: The diagram for the identity shows two particles passing through each other without interaction and the diagram for the permutation operator shows two particles repelling each other, weighted by the coupling constant and inverse distance.

We will mostly use Yang's convention, matching [Mol07] and many other sources. The polynomial convention matches much of [Aru]. We will later also make use of the unitary convention, which is arguably the most natural since it satisfies *unitarity*:

$$\check{R}(z-w)\check{R}(w-z) = 1,$$

illustrated with the diagram

which is essentially the second Reidemeister move. We can always switch from one convention to the other at the cost of normalization factors. The crucial difference between conventions lies in their analytic structure, which we will make use of extensively. More specifically, we summarize:

$$\begin{aligned}
1 &= R(\infty) = \lim_{z \rightarrow \infty} \hat{R}(z)/z = \check{R}(\infty), \\
P &= -\text{Res}_{z=0} R(z)/\eta = -\hat{R}(0)/\eta = \check{R}(0), \\
\Pi^+ &= R(-\eta)/2 = -\hat{R}(-\eta)/2\eta = \check{R}(-\eta), \\
\Pi^- &= R(\eta)/2 = \hat{R}(\eta)/2\eta = \text{Res}_{z=\eta} \check{R}(z)/2\eta,
\end{aligned}$$

where $\Pi^\pm = (1 \pm P)/2$ are the symmetrizer and antisymmetrizer respectively. This is where the R -matrix becomes non-invertible.

Definition 1.2.17. (i) There is an algebra map

$$e^{-y\partial} : Y(\mathfrak{gl}_\ell) \rightarrow Y(\mathfrak{gl}_\ell)[y], \quad t_{ij}(z) \mapsto t_{ij}(z - y).$$

that specializes to a *shift automorphism* of the Yangian for fixed values of y . This is possible because we can formally expand $(z - y)^{-r}$ as a power series in z^{-1} such that the coefficients are polynomials in y :

$$(z - y)^{-r} = \sum_{s=r}^{\infty} \binom{s-1}{r-1} y^{s-r} z^{-s}.$$

This also yields a general evaluation homomorphism

$$\text{ev} : Y(\mathfrak{gl}_\ell) \rightarrow U(\mathfrak{gl}_\ell)[y], \quad t_{ij}(z) \mapsto \delta_{ij} + \frac{\eta e_{ij}}{z - y}.$$

- (ii) There is the *transposition automorphism* $T(z) \mapsto T^t(-z)$, or $t_{ij}(z) \mapsto t_{ji}(-z)$.
- (iii) Given any $f(z) \in \mathbb{C}[[z^{-1}]]$ with leading term equal to one, there is an automorphism $T(z) \mapsto f(z)T(z)$.
- (iv) Given any $g \in \text{GL}_\ell$, there is an automorphism $T(z) \mapsto gT(z)g^{-1}$.

1.2.4 The dual Yangian of \mathfrak{gl}_ℓ

In addition to the Yangian $Y(\mathfrak{gl}_\ell)$, we will later make use of the *dual Yangian* $Y^\vee(\mathfrak{gl}_\ell)$, which was studied in detail in the paper [Naz19]. Essentially, while the Yangian describes the disc at infinity with local coordinate z^{-1} , the dual Yangian describes the disc around zero with local coordinate z . We proceed parallel to the construction of the Yangian:

Definition 1.2.18. The *incomplete dual Yangian* for the complex Lie algebra \mathfrak{gl}_ℓ , written $\tilde{Y}^\vee(\mathfrak{gl}_\ell)$, is defined as the complex associative algebra with the following presentation: It has generators $t_{ij}^{(-r)}$ for $1 \leq i, j \leq \ell$ and $r \geq 1$. To describe the defining relations, we again let $t_{ij}^{(0)} = \delta_{ij}/\eta$ and introduce

$$T^\vee(z) := \sum_{ij} t_{ij}^\vee(z) \otimes e_{ij} \in Y^\vee(\mathfrak{gl}_\ell)[[z]] \otimes \mathbb{C}^\ell, \quad t_{ij}^\vee(z) = \eta \sum_{r \geq 0} t_{ij}^{(-r)} z^r \in Y^\vee(\mathfrak{gl}_\ell)[[z]],$$

as well as

$$T_a^\vee(z) = \sum_{ij} t_{ij}^\vee(z) \otimes \overset{0}{1} \otimes \cdots \otimes \overset{1}{1} \otimes \cdots \otimes \overset{a}{e_{ij}} \otimes \cdots \otimes \overset{k}{1}.$$

The defining relation of then is the *TTR relation*:

$$T_1^\vee(z) T_2^\vee(w) R_{12}(z-w) = R_{12}(z-w) T_2^\vee(w) T_1^\vee(z). \quad (1.9)$$

We may equip the incomplete dual Yangian with a descending filtration by giving $t_{ij}^{(-r)}$ the degree r . Denote the N th filtered piece by $F_N Y^\vee(\mathfrak{gl}_\ell)$. The *dual Yangian* $Y^\vee(\mathfrak{gl}_\ell)$ is then defined to be the completion of $\tilde{Y}^\vee(\mathfrak{gl}_\ell)$ with respect to this filtration.

Due to the topological nature of the dual Yangian, it will be convenient to work inside an alternative category of vector spaces discussed in [Cos13]:

Definition 1.2.19. We let \mathbf{cfVect} denote the category of complete filtered \mathbb{C} -vector spaces. Such vector spaces V come equipped with a descending filtration

$$V = F_0 V \supseteq F_1 V \supseteq \cdots$$

of subspaces such that the canonical map $V \rightarrow \varprojlim V/F_i V$ is an isomorphism. A morphism $f : V \rightarrow V'$ of complete filtered modules preserves the filtrations in the sense that $f(F_i V) \subset F_i V'$. The coproduct in this category is given by

$$\bigoplus_k V_k = \varprojlim_i \bigoplus_k F_i V_k$$

and the tensor product is

$$V \otimes V' := \varprojlim_{i,j} V/F_i V \otimes V'/F_j V'.$$

Remark. Note that we may equip any vector space V with the trivial filtration $F_i V = 0$ for $i \geq 1$. In this case, morphisms, coproducts, tensor products, and duals reduce to their unfiltered definitions. For our purposes, $Y(\mathfrak{gl}_\ell)$ itself and all $Y(\mathfrak{gl}_\ell)$ -modules except for the dual Yangian $Y^\vee(\mathfrak{gl}_\ell)$ are equipped with the trivial filtration. We will thus implicitly work inside \mathbf{cfVect} whenever the dual Yangian turns up.

Proposition 1.2.20. *The dual Yangian $Y^\vee(\mathfrak{gl}_\ell)$ is a Hopf algebra with comultiplication and counit*

$$\Delta : t_{ij}^\vee(z) \mapsto \sum_k t_{ik}^\vee(z) \otimes t_{kj}^\vee(z), \quad \epsilon : t_{ij}^\vee(z) \mapsto \delta_{ij}.$$

Proof. This appears in [Naz19]. □

Proposition 1.2.21. *There is a non-degenerate Hopf pairing*

$$\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle : Y(\mathfrak{gl}_\ell) \otimes Y^\vee(\mathfrak{gl}_\ell) \rightarrow \mathbb{C}.$$

Proof. This appears in [Naz19]. □

Lemma 1.2.22. *There is a basis X_1, X_2, \dots of $Y(\mathfrak{gl}_\ell)$ and a basis $X_1^\vee, X_2^\vee, \dots \in Y^\vee(\mathfrak{gl}_\ell)$, both with increasing filtration degrees, such that $\langle X_i, X_j^\vee \rangle = \delta_{ij}$.*

Proof. This is a result of [Naz19]. □

Definition 1.2.23. The elements

$$\mathcal{R}_N := \sum_{\deg X_i \leq N} X_i^\vee \otimes X_i \in Y^\vee(\mathfrak{gl}_\ell) / F_{N+1} Y^\vee(\mathfrak{gl}_\ell) \otimes Y(\mathfrak{gl}_\ell) \quad (1.10)$$

define the *canonical element* $\mathcal{R} \in Y^\vee(\mathfrak{gl}_\ell) \otimes Y(\mathfrak{gl}_\ell)$.

1.2.5 Representations of the Yangian

We briefly recall the representation theory of \mathfrak{gl}_ℓ before moving on to the Yangian. Consider a representation V of $U(\mathfrak{gl}_\ell)$. A non-zero element $\omega \in V$ is a highest weight vector with highest weight $\lambda = (\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_\ell)$ for $\lambda_i \in \mathbb{C}$ if the following relations hold:

$$\begin{aligned} e_{ij}\omega &= 0, & 1 \leq i < j \leq \ell \\ e_{ii}\omega &= \lambda_i\omega, & 1 \leq i \leq \ell. \end{aligned}$$

If V is generated by ω , V is a highest weight representation with highest weight λ . Clearly, any highest weight representation is a quotient of the Verma module $M(\lambda)$, which is defined as $U(\mathfrak{gl}_\ell)$ quotiented by the left ideal generated by the coefficients of e_{ij} for $i < j$ as well as $e_{ii} - \lambda_i$. The Verma module has a unique maximal submodule, so that it has a unique simple quotient, which is denoted $L(\lambda)$. These are finite-dimensional if and only if $\lambda_i - \lambda_{i+1} \in \mathbb{Z}_+$ for $i = 1, \dots, \ell - 1$, which means that, up to permutation, λ can be thought of as a complex number λ_1 together with a Young diagram with at most ℓ rows, see appendix A for more on Young diagrams. They exhaust all finite-dimensional irreducible polynomial representations of $U(\mathfrak{gl}_\ell)$.

We now proceed similarly with the Yangian:

Definition 1.2.24. Let V be a representation of $Y(\mathfrak{gl}_\ell)$. A non-zero element $\omega \in V$ is of *highest weight* $\lambda(z) = (\lambda_1(z), \dots, \lambda_\ell(z))$ for $\lambda_i(z) \in \mathbb{C}[[z^{-1}]]$ if the following relations hold:

$$\begin{aligned} t_{ij}(z)\omega &= 0, & 1 \leq i < j \leq \ell \\ t_{ii}(z)\omega &= \lambda_i(z)\omega, & 1 \leq i \leq \ell. \end{aligned}$$

If V is generated by ω , we call V a *highest weight representation* with highest weight $\lambda(z)$. Again, any highest weight representation is a quotient of the *Verma module* $M(\lambda(z))$, which is just $Y(\mathfrak{gl}_\ell)$ quotiented by the left ideal generated by the coefficients of $t_{ij}(z)$ for $i < j$ as well as $t_{ii}(z) - \lambda_i(z)$. The Verma module has a unique maximal submodule, so that it has a unique simple quotient, which we denote by $L(\lambda(z))$.

Theorem 1.2.25. *Every finite-dimensional irreducible representation of $Y(\mathfrak{gl}_\ell)$ is a highest weight representation of the form $L(\lambda(z))$ for some highest weight $\lambda(z)$ and has a unique highest weight vector ω up to rescaling.*

Proof. This is theorem 3.2.7 of [Mol07]. □

Theorem 1.2.26. *The irreducible highest weight representation $L(\lambda(z))$ of $Y(\mathfrak{gl}_\ell)$ is finite-dimensional if and only if*

$$\frac{\lambda_i(z)}{\lambda_{i+1}(z)} = \frac{p_i(z + \eta)}{p_i(z)}$$

for $i = 1, \dots, \ell - 1$ and unique monic polynomials $p_i(z) \in \mathbb{C}[z]$ called Drinfeld polynomials.

Proof. This is theorem 3.4.1 of [Mol07]. We consider the case $\ell = 2$. Essentially, one first finds a power series $f(z) \in \mathbb{C}[[z^{-1}]]$ such that $f(z)\lambda_1(z)$ and $f(z)\lambda_2(z)$ are polynomials, so that we can say without loss of generality that

$$\lambda_1(z) = (1 + \alpha_1 z^{-1}) \cdots (1 + \alpha_k z^{-1}), \quad \lambda_2(z) = (1 + \beta_1 z^{-1}) \cdots (1 + \beta_k z^{-1}).$$

for certain complex numbers $\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_k, \beta_1, \dots, \beta_k$. One shows that finite-dimensionality implies $(\alpha_i - \beta_i)/\eta \in \mathbb{Z}_+$ for all $i = 1, \dots, k$ after some renumbering. Define the *string*

$$S(\alpha_i, \beta_i) := \{\beta_i, \beta_i + \eta, \dots, \alpha_i - 2\eta, \alpha_i - \eta\}.$$

We now set

$$p(z) := \prod_{i=1}^k \prod_{\gamma \in S(\alpha_i, \beta_i)} (z + \gamma),$$

which fulfills $\lambda_1(z)/\lambda_2(z) = p(z + \eta)/p(z)$ as can be seen by their poles and zeros. □

Corollary 1.2.27. *Finite-dimensional irreducible representations of $Y(\mathfrak{gl}_\ell)$ are parametrized by tuples $(f(z), p_1(z), \dots, p_{\ell-1}(z))$ for $f(z)$ a power series in z^{-1} with constant term one and $p_1(z), \dots, p_{\ell-1}(z)$ monic polynomials.*

Proof. The $p_i(z)$ correspond to the Drinfeld polynomials and $f(z)$ to $\lambda_\ell(z)$. □

Definition 1.2.28. Given a weight $\lambda = (\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_\ell) \in \mathbb{C}^\ell$ for \mathfrak{gl}_ℓ , we can pull the irreducible representation $L(\lambda)$ of \mathfrak{gl}_ℓ back along the evaluation homomorphism. Due to surjectivity of the evaluation homomorphism, the resulting representation of $Y(\mathfrak{gl}_\ell)$ will still be irreducible and it will be a highest weight representation with highest weight components $\lambda_i(z) = 1 + \eta\lambda_i z^{-1}$.

For simplicity, we also write $L(\lambda)$ for this $Y(\mathfrak{gl}_\ell)$ -module. Such modules are called *evaluation modules*. When they are finite-dimensional, they have Drinfeld polynomials

$$p_i(z) = (z + \eta\lambda_{i+1})(z + \eta\lambda_{i+1} + \eta) \cdots (z + \eta\lambda_i - 2\eta)(z + \eta\lambda_i - \eta),$$

which makes sense due to $(\lambda_i - \lambda_{i+1})/\eta \in \mathbb{Z}_+$. We may twist evaluation modules by the shift automorphism for $y \in \mathbb{C}$ or the transposition and respectively obtain modules we denote by $L(\lambda)_y$ and $L(\lambda)^t$ as well as $L(\lambda)_y^t$.

Remark. Let $y_1, \dots, y_N \in \mathbb{C}$ and consider a tensor product

$$L(\lambda^{(1)})_{y_1}^t \otimes \cdots \otimes L(\lambda^{(N)})_{y_N}^t,$$

which inherits the structure of a $Y(\mathfrak{gl}_\ell)$ -module via the coproduct. Let ω_j denote the highest weight vector of $L(\lambda^{(j)})_{y_j}^t$, respectively, and define $\omega := \omega_1 \otimes \cdots \otimes \omega_N$, which is a highest weight vector with highest weight components

$$\lambda_i(z) := \left(1 - \frac{\eta\lambda_i^{(1)}}{z - y_1}\right) \cdots \left(1 - \frac{\eta\lambda_i^{(N)}}{z - y_N}\right).$$

Note that these weight components are not first order polynomials anymore. This is because such representations are genuine representations of $Y(\mathfrak{gl}_\ell)$, not of \mathfrak{gl}_ℓ . Physically, this reflects the fact that local sites usually transform in representations of \mathfrak{gl}_ℓ while the extended Yangian symmetry acts non-locally, *i.e.* on multiple tensorands. Hence, a large class of physically relevant representations of the Yangian are given by representations of this form:

Definition 1.2.29. Representations of the form

$$L(\lambda^{(1)})_{y_1}^t \otimes \cdots \otimes L(\lambda^{(N)})_{y_N}^t,$$

as above are called *monodromy representations* with *inhomogeneities* y_1, \dots, y_N . The highest weight vector ω is called the *pseudovacuum*.

We now take a closer look at how transfer matrices act on monodromy representations. Let us introduce the notation $V_y^- := L(\square)_y$ for the vector representation, and $V_y^+ := L(\square)_y^t$ for the covector representation. Our starting observation is the following:

Lemma 1.2.30. *The generator matrix $T(z)$ acts on V_y^+ via the R -matrix:*

$$R(z - y) = 1 - \frac{\eta P}{z - y}.$$

Proof. Inserting the definition of evaluation modules as well as the transposition and shift automorphisms, we see that $T(z)$ acts as

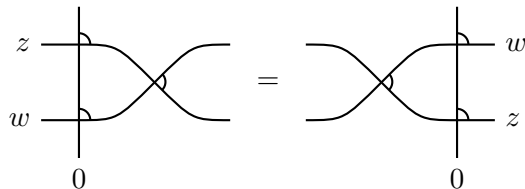
$$\sum_{ij} e_{ij} \otimes \left(\delta_{ij} - \frac{\eta e_{ji}}{z - y} \right) = \sum_i e_{ii} \otimes e_{ii} - \frac{\eta}{z - y} \sum_{ij} e_{ij} \otimes e_{ji} = 1 - \frac{\eta P}{z - y}.$$

□

Remark. This shows that the RTT relation (1.8) in the fundamental representation becomes the quantum Yang-Baxter equation

$$R_{12}(z-w)R_{13}(z)R_{23}(w) = R_{23}(w)R_{13}(z)R_{12}(z-w) \in (\text{End } V)^{\otimes 3},$$

where the subscript again denotes which spaces the R -matrix acts on. Diagrammatically, this reads



which is the third Reidemeister move.

Lemma 1.2.31. *Similarly, $T(z)$ acts on V_y^- via*

$$R^t(z - y) := 1 - \frac{\eta P^t}{z - y},$$

where the superscript t denotes transposition in the second space, i.e. $P^t = \sum_{ij} e_{ij} \otimes e_{ij}$.

Having V_y^\pm under our belt, let us look at monodromy representations of the type

$$V_{y_1}^+ \otimes \cdots \otimes V_{y_N}^+,$$

which we call *fundamental*.

Proposition 1.2.32. *The generator matrix $T(z)$ acts on fundamental monodromy representations via the monodromy matrix*

$$M(z) := R_{0N}(z - y_N) \cdots R_{01}(z - y_1),$$

where 0 is the auxiliary space index and $1, \dots, N$ are quantum space indices. In terms of diagrams, this reads

$$M(z) = \begin{array}{c} | \qquad | \qquad \dots \qquad | \\ z \text{ --- } \bigcirc \text{ --- } \bigcirc \text{ --- } \dots \text{ --- } \bigcirc \\ y_1 \qquad y_2 \qquad \qquad y_N \end{array}$$

Proof. This follows from the previous lemma and the formula for the coproduct (1.7), except the order is reversed since we used the transposition automorphism. \square

We remark that V_y^- and V_y^+ are dual as $U(\mathfrak{gl}_\ell)$ -modules, as they are both given by \mathbb{C}^ℓ with the standard and negative transposed action, respectively. This duality extends to the Yangian up to a shift of the spectral parameter:

Lemma 1.2.33. *The standard scalar product on \mathbb{C}^ℓ gives a $Y(\mathfrak{gl}_\ell)$ -linear map*

$$V_y^+ \otimes V_{y+\ell\eta}^- \rightarrow \mathbb{C}, \quad e_p \otimes e_q \mapsto \delta_{pq}.$$

Proof. The Yangian generator $t_{ij}(z)$ acts on $V_{y_1}^+ \otimes V_{y_2}^-$ in the following way:

$$\begin{aligned} & \sum_k \left(\delta_{ik} - \frac{\eta e_{ki}}{z - y_1} \right) e_p \otimes \left(\delta_{kj} + \frac{\eta e_{kj}}{z - y_2} \right) e_q \\ &= \sum_k \delta_{ik} e_p \otimes \delta_{kj} e_q + \frac{\eta}{z - y_2} \sum_k \delta_{ik} e_p \otimes e_{kj} e_q \\ & \quad - \frac{\eta}{z - y_1} \sum_k e_{ki} e_p \otimes \delta_{kj} e_q - \frac{\eta^2}{(z - y_1)(z - y_2)} \sum_k e_{ki} e_p \otimes e_{kj} e_q \\ &= \delta_{ij} e_p \otimes e_q + \frac{\eta}{z - y_2} \delta_{jq} e_p \otimes e_i - \frac{\eta}{z - y_1} \delta_{ip} e_j \otimes e_q - \frac{\eta^2}{(z - y_1)(z - y_2)} \delta_{ip} \delta_{jq} \sum_k e_k \otimes e_k \end{aligned}$$

which the standard scalar product maps to

$$\delta_{ij} \delta_{pq} \left(1 + \frac{\eta}{z - y_2} - \frac{\eta}{z - y_1} - \frac{\eta^2 \ell}{(z - y_1)(z - y_2)} \right).$$

This reduces to $\delta_{ij} \delta_{pq}$ when $y_1 = y_2 - \ell\eta$. □

Lemma 1.2.34. *The standard basis of \mathbb{C}^ℓ gives a $Y(\mathfrak{gl}_\ell)$ -linear map*

$$\mathbb{C} \rightarrow V_{y+\ell\eta}^- \otimes V_y^+, \quad 1 \mapsto \sum_p e_p \otimes e_p.$$

Proof. The Yangian generator $t_{ij}(z)$ acts in the following way:

$$\begin{aligned} & \sum_p \sum_k \left(\delta_{ik} + \frac{\eta e_{ik}}{z - y_1} \right) e_p \otimes \left(\delta_{kj} - \frac{\eta e_{jk}}{z - y_2} \right) e_p \\ &= \sum_p \sum_k \delta_{ik} e_p \otimes \delta_{kj} e_p - \frac{\eta}{z - y_2} \sum_p \sum_k \delta_{ik} e_p \otimes e_{jk} e_p \\ & \quad + \frac{\eta}{z - y_1} \sum_p \sum_k e_{ik} e_p \otimes \delta_{kj} e_p - \frac{\eta^2}{(z - y_1)(z - y_2)} \sum_p \sum_k e_{ik} e_p \otimes e_{jk} e_p \\ &= \delta_{ij} \sum_p e_p \otimes e_p - \frac{\eta}{z - y_2} \sum_p \delta_{ip} e_p \otimes e_j + \frac{\eta}{z - y_1} \sum_p \delta_{jp} e_i \otimes e_p - \frac{\eta^2 \ell}{(z - y_1)(z - y_2)} e_i \otimes e_j \\ &= \delta_{ij} \sum_p e_p \otimes e_p + \left(-\frac{\eta}{z - y_2} + \frac{\eta}{z - y_1} - \frac{\eta^2 \ell}{(z - y_1)(z - y_2)} \right) e_i \otimes e_j \end{aligned}$$

The second term becomes zero when $y_1 = y_2 + \ell\eta$. □

Proposition 1.2.35. *The left and right duals of V_y^+ are $V_{y+\ell\eta}^-$ and $V_{y-\ell\eta}^-$.*

Proof. The fact that $V_{y+\ell\eta}^-$ is the left dual for V_y^+ follows from the previous lemmata. Twisting by the transposition automorphism of the Yangian turns V_y^\pm into V_y^\mp , showing that $V_{y-\ell\eta}^-$ is the right dual by the same argument. □

1.2.6 The Heisenberg model

Definition 1.2.36. The *twisted inhomogeneous Heisenberg \mathfrak{gl}_ℓ -spin chain* of length N with invertible *twist matrix* $g = \text{diag}(\gamma_1, \dots, \gamma_\ell)$ and *inhomogeneities* y_1, \dots, y_N , or *Heisenberg model* for short, has as Hilbert space the fundamental monodromy representations of the Yangian with inhomogeneities y_1, \dots, y_N . Here η plays the role of Planck's constant. The generating function for the Hamiltonians is the *g -twisted transfer matrix*

$$\tau^g(z) := \text{tr}_0 g_0 T(z),$$

where 0 denotes the auxiliary space index. In the fundamental monodromy representation, this takes the form

$$\tau^g(z) = \text{tr}_0 g_0 R_{0N}(z - y_N) \cdots R_{01}(z - y_1),$$

or, using the unitary convention,

$$\check{\tau}^g(z) = \text{tr}_0 g_0 \check{R}_{0N}(z - y_N) \cdots \check{R}_{01}(z - y_1).$$

The corresponding diagram reads

$$\tau^g(z) = \begin{array}{c} \text{---} z \text{---} \text{---} y_1 \text{---} y_2 \text{---} \cdots \text{---} y_N \text{---} \end{array}$$

(The diagram shows a horizontal line with vertical segments at y_1, y_2, \dots, y_N . The left end is labeled z and the right end is a dashed red line. The vertical segments are labeled y_1, y_2, \dots, y_N below them.)

where the dashed red lines indicate the twist matrix and are identified so that the whole diagram wraps around a cylinder, yielding the trace over the auxiliary space. One now defines commuting *non-local Hamiltonians* by

$$\begin{aligned} H_i &:= -\text{Res}_{z=y_i} \tau^g(z)/\eta \\ &= \text{tr}_0 g_0 R_{0N}(y_i - y_N) \cdots R_{0,i+1}(y_i - y_{i+1}) P_{0i} R_{0,i-1}(y_i - y_{i-1}) \cdots R_{01}(y_i - y_1) \\ &= \text{tr}_0 R_{0,i-1}(y_i - y_{i-1}) \cdots R_{01}(y_i - y_1) g_0 R_{0N}(y_i - y_N) \cdots R_{0,i+1}(y_i - y_{i+1}) P_{0i} \\ &= \text{tr}_0 P_{0i} R_{i,i-1}(y_i - y_{i-1}) \cdots R_{i1}(y_i - y_1) g_i R_{iN}(y_i - y_N) \cdots R_{i,i+1}(y_i - y_{i+1}) \\ &= R_{i,i-1}(y_i - y_{i-1}) \cdots R_{i1}(y_i - y_1) g_i R_{iN}(y_i - y_N) \cdots R_{i,i+1}(y_i - y_{i+1}), \end{aligned}$$

similarly

$$\begin{aligned} \check{H}_i &:= \check{\tau}^g(y_i) = \left(\prod_{i \neq j} \frac{y_i - y_j}{y_i - y_j - \eta} \right) H_i \\ &= \check{R}_{i,i-1}(y_i - y_{i-1}) \cdots \check{R}_{i1}(y_i - y_1) g_i \check{R}_{iN}(y_i - y_N) \cdots \check{R}_{i,i+1}(y_i - y_{i+1}). \end{aligned}$$

As an example, for $i = 2$, this yields the diagram

$H_2 =$

To get a Hamiltonian describing local interactions, we have to restrict to $y_1, \dots, y_N = 0$. Define the operators

$$\mathcal{P} := g_1 P_{12} \cdots P_{N-1,N} \text{ and}$$

$$\mathcal{H} := - \sum_{i=1}^{N-1} P_{i,i+1} - g_1 g_N^{-1} P_{1N}.$$

We call \mathcal{P} the *total momentum* and \mathcal{H} the *local Hamiltonian*.

Proposition 1.2.37. *Let $y_1, \dots, y_N = 0$. Then $\tau^g(z)$ has the following expansion around $z = 0$:*

$$\tau^g(z) = \frac{\eta^N}{z^N} \mathcal{P} - \frac{\eta^{N-1}}{z^{N-1}} \mathcal{H} \mathcal{P} + \mathcal{O}(z^{-N+2})$$

Proof. Let us expand $z^N \tau^g(z)$ around $z = 0$. To zeroth order, we have

$$\begin{aligned} z^N \tau^g(z)|_{z=0} &= \eta^N \operatorname{tr}_0 g_0 P_{0N} \cdots P_{01} \\ &= \eta^N \operatorname{tr}_0 P_{0N} \cdots P_{01} g_0 \\ &= \eta^N \operatorname{tr}_0 P_{12} \cdots P_{N-1,N} g_N P_{0N} \\ &= \eta^N \operatorname{tr}_0 g_1 P_{12} \cdots P_{N-1,N} P_{0N} \\ &= \eta^N g_1 P_{12} \cdots P_{N-1,N} = \eta^N \mathcal{P}. \end{aligned}$$

To first order, we have

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial}{\partial z} z^N \tau^g(z)|_{z=0} &= \eta^{N-1} \sum_i \text{tr}_0 g_0 P_{0N} \cdots P_{0,i+1} P_{0,i-1} \cdots P_{01} \\ &= \eta^{N-1} \sum_i \text{tr}_0 P_{0N} \cdots P_{0,i+1} P_{0,i-1} \cdots P_{01} g_0 \\ &= \eta^{N-1} \sum_i \text{tr}_0 P_{12} \cdots P_{i-1,i-2} P_{i-1,i+1} P_{i+1,i+2} \cdots P_{N-1,N} g_N P_{0N} \\ &= \eta^{N-1} \sum_i g_1 P_{12} \cdots P_{i-1,i-2} P_{i-1,i+1} P_{i+1,i+2} \cdots P_{N-1,N}. \end{aligned}$$

Now observe for $1 \leq i < N$:

$$\begin{aligned}
& g_1 P_{12} \cdots P_{i-1,i-2} P_{i-1,i+1} P_{i+1,i+2} \cdots P_{N-1,N} \mathcal{P}^{-1} \\
&= g_1 P_{12} \cdots P_{i-2,i-1} P_{i-1,i+1} P_{i+1,i} P_{i,i-1} P_{i-1,i-2} \cdots P_{21} g_1^{-1} \\
&= P_{12} \cdots P_{i-2,i-1} P_{i-1,i+1} P_{i+1,i} P_{i,i-1} P_{i-1,i-2} \cdots P_{21} g_1 g_1^{-1} \\
&= P_{12} \cdots P_{i-2,i-1} P_{i-1,i+1} P_{i+1,i-1} P_{i+1,i} P_{i-1,i-2} \cdots P_{21} \\
&= P_{12} \cdots P_{i-2,i-1} P_{i+1,i} P_{i-1,i-2} \cdots P_{21} = P_{i,i+1},
\end{aligned}$$

while $i = N$ gives

$$\begin{aligned}
& g_1 P_{12} \cdots P_{N-2, N-1} \mathcal{P}^{-1} \\
&= g_1 P_{12} \cdots P_{N-2, N-1} P_{N, N-1} P_{N-1, N-2} \cdots P_{21} g_1^{-1} \\
&= g_1 P_{1N} g_1^{-1} = g_1 g_N^{-1} P_{1N}.
\end{aligned}$$

Hence $z^N \tau(z) = \eta^N \mathcal{P} - z \eta^{N-1} \mathcal{H} \mathcal{P} + \mathcal{O}(z^2)$. \square

In the case $\ell = 2$, we can further rewrite this in a way that makes apparent how the Hamiltonian of the Heisenberg model describes twisted-periodic alignment of nearest neighbor spins, *i.e.* ferromagnetic materials:

Corollary 1.2.38. *Let $\ell = 2$ and $\sigma^x, \sigma^y, \sigma^z$ be the Pauli matrices. Then*

$$\begin{aligned}
\mathcal{H} = & -\frac{N-1}{2} - \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=1}^{N-1} (\sigma_i^x \sigma_{i+1}^x + \sigma_i^y \sigma_{i+1}^y + \sigma_i^z \sigma_{i+1}^z) \\
& - \frac{1}{2} g_1 g_N^{-1} - \frac{1}{2} (g_1 \sigma_1^x g_N^{-1} \sigma_N^x + g_1 \sigma_1^y g_N^{-1} \sigma_N^y + g_1 \sigma_1^z g_N^{-1} \sigma_N^z).
\end{aligned}$$

Proof. This follows from the well-known identity $1 + \sigma^x \otimes \sigma^x + \sigma^y \otimes \sigma^y + \sigma^z \otimes \sigma^z = 2P$. \square

Chapter 2

Duality

2.1 Quantum-classical duality from functional relations

There is an enormous body of work on solving the Heisenberg model, *i.e.* diagonalizing its Hamiltonians, by various loosely related methods. Prime focus is given to a variety of approaches called *Bethe ansätze*, particularly the algebraic Bethe ansatz, see [Aru], which produces eigenvectors from the pseudovacuum using ladder operators supplemented by auxiliary equations called *Bethe equations*. In the coming sections, we will focus on an orthogonal approach employing functional relations between transfer matrices. This approach is originally due to [KNS94] and has been further developed in [Aru], where it is shown how the Lax matrix of the classical rational Ruijsenaars-Schneider model secretly controls the fusion relations, giving a first hint of quantum-classical duality.

2.1.1 Functional relations

Our key to solving the Heisenberg model is to enlarge our consideration of the g -twisted transfer matrix $\tau^g(z)$ to a large commutative subalgebra that contains it and make use of functional relations inside this subalgebra to arrive at a set of polynomial equations, the *spectral equation*, that the eigenvalues of the non-local Hamiltonians H_1, \dots, H_N , *i.e.* the residues of $\tau^g(z)$, must satisfy. To this end, we consider the *Bethe subalgebra*:

Definition 2.1.1. The g -twisted *Bethe subalgebra* is the subalgebra $B^g(\mathfrak{gl}_\ell)$ of $Y(\mathfrak{gl}_\ell)$ generated by the coefficients of the higher g -twisted transfer matrices $\tau_\lambda^g(z)$, where λ ranges over Young diagrams.

Theorem 2.1.2. The *Bethe subalgebra* $B^g(\mathfrak{gl}_\ell)$ is a maximal commutative subalgebra of $Y(\mathfrak{gl}_\ell)$ whenever g has simple spectrum.

Proof. This appears in [NO96]. □

Now, we have left out what we mean by the higher g -twisted transfer matrices $\tau_\lambda^g(z)$. The basic idea is to take the definition of the usual transfer matrix and switch the auxiliary space

from the fundamental representation to a higher representation labeled by a Young diagram λ . This defines the higher transfer matrices $\tau_\lambda^g(z)$. In particular of course, $\tau_\square^g(z)$ will coincide with the usual transfer matrix.

Let us start with the construction of *fusion projectors* [Mol08], originating in works such as [KRS81]. Fix a standard Young tableau t_λ of shape λ with content vector (c_1, \dots, c_k) and let

$$R(z_1, \dots, z_k) := \overrightarrow{\prod_{i < j}} R_{ij}(z_i - z_j),$$

where the arrow over the product indicates multiplication in lexicographical order. We note that successive application of the RTT relation (1.8) yields

$$R(z_1, \dots, z_k) T_1(z_1) \cdots T_k(z_k) = T_k(z_k) \cdots T_1(z_1) R(z_1, \dots, z_k). \quad (2.1)$$

Proposition 2.1.3. *Taking the following consecutive limits of $R(z_1, \dots, z_k)$ yields a well-defined fusion projector*

$$\Pi_{t_\lambda} = \frac{d_\lambda}{k!} \lim_{z_k \rightarrow \eta c_k} \cdots \lim_{z_1 \rightarrow \eta c_1} R(z_1, \dots, z_k),$$

with d_λ the dimension of the Specht module $S(\lambda)$.

Proof. See [Mol08] or section 6.4 in [Mol07]. □

Example. For $\Pi_{t_{[1^k]}}$ and $\Pi_{t_{[k]}}$, we respectively obtain the (anti-)symmetrizers:

$$\Pi_{1\dots k}^\pm = \frac{1}{k!} \overrightarrow{\prod_{i < j}} \left(1 \pm \frac{P_{ij}}{j - i} \right) = \frac{1}{k!} \prod_{i=1}^k (1 \pm Y_i).$$

where Y_i are the Jucys-Murphy elements. We will also make use of

$$\Pi_{t_{[2, 1^{k-1}]}} = \frac{1}{(k+1)!} (k + Y_{k+1}) \prod_{i=1}^k (1 - Y_i) = \frac{1}{k+1} (k + Y_{k+1}) \Pi_{t_{[1^k]}}, \quad (2.2)$$

where we have used the column tablau. These projectors can be checked to satisfy

$$\Pi_{t_{[1^k]}} \otimes 1 = \Pi_{t_{[1^{k+1}]}} + \Pi_{t_{[2, 1^{k-1}]}} \quad (2.3)$$

consistent with the Littlewood-Richardson rule for tensor products of Young diagrams.

Theorem 2.1.4. *The fusion projectors form a complete set of primitive orthogonal idempotents on $(\mathbb{C}^\ell)^{\otimes k}$ such that*

$$L_{t_\lambda} := \Pi_{t_\lambda} (V_{y-\eta c_1}^+ \otimes \cdots \otimes V_{y-\eta c_k}^+)$$

is a $Y(\mathfrak{gl}_\ell)$ -submodule of $V_{y-\eta c_1}^+ \otimes \cdots \otimes V_{y-\eta c_k}^+$ isomorphic to $L(\lambda)_y^t$.

Proof. This is proposition 6.5.1 in [Mol07]. □

This *fusion procedure* makes it possible to reduce calculations in higher representations to tensor products of the covector representation V_y^+ . In particular, it allows us to express higher transfer matrices in a very concrete way from a coaction on the auxiliary space $(\mathbb{C}^\ell)^{\otimes k}$:

Definition 2.1.5. Let t_λ be a standard Young tableau of shape λ with k boxes and content vector (c_1, \dots, c_k) . We may define a coaction

$$(\mathbb{C}^\ell)^{\otimes k} \rightarrow (\mathbb{C}^\ell)^{\otimes k} \otimes Y(\mathfrak{gl}_\ell)[[z^{-1}]] \quad (2.4)$$

via the element

$$T_{t_\lambda}^g(z - y) := g_k \cdots g_1 T_k(z - y + \eta c_k) \cdots T_1(z - y + \eta c_1).$$

This coaction preserves the subspace $L_{t_\lambda} \subset (\mathbb{C}^\ell)^{\otimes k}$ due to

$$\Pi_{t_\lambda} T_1(z + \eta c_1) \cdots T_k(z + \eta c_k) = T_k(z + \eta c_k) \cdots T_1(z + \eta c_1) \Pi_{t_\lambda},$$

which is derived from the higher RTT relation (2.1) by taking consecutive limits. We denote the comodule resulting from restriction of the coaction (2.4) to L_{t_λ} by $C(\lambda)_y^g$.

Definition 2.1.6. Let λ be a Young diagram. We define the *higher g -twisted transfer matrix of shape λ* , denoted by $\tau_\lambda^g(z - y)$ as the partial trace of the coaction of the comodule $C(\lambda)_y^g$ over $C(\lambda)_y^g$, i.e. $\tau_\lambda^g(z - y)$ is the *cocharacter* of the comodule $C(\lambda)_y^g$. Concretely, it is given by

$$\tau_\lambda^g(z) = \text{tr}_{t_\lambda} T_{t_\lambda}^g(z),$$

where tr_{t_λ} denotes the partial trace over the subspace L_{t_λ} .

Example. Consider $\tau_{[1^2]}^g(z)$. We can write this as

$$\tau_{[1^2]}^g(z) = \text{tr}_{t_{[1^2]}} T_{t_{[1^2]}}^g(z) = \text{tr}_{12} \Pi_{t_{[1^2]}} g_2 g_1 T_2(z) T_1(z - \eta).$$

In particular, in the fundamental monodromy representation $V_{y_1}^+ \otimes V_{y_2}^+$, this becomes

$$\tau_{[1^2]}^g(z) = \text{tr}_{12} \Pi_{12}^- g_2 g_1 R_{23}(z - y_1) R_{24}(z - y_2) R_{13}(z - \eta - y_1) R_{14}(z - \eta - y_2),$$

which reads

$$\tau_{[1^2]}^g(z) = \begin{array}{c} \text{Diagram showing two horizontal lines representing space loops. The top line is labeled } z - \eta \text{ and the bottom line is labeled } z. \text{ Two vertical lines represent seams at } y_1 \text{ and } y_2. \text{ The lines cross each other between the seams, forming a braid. Dashed vertical lines are at the ends.} \end{array}$$

in terms of diagrams. Note that the auxiliary space loops twice around the cylinder, exactly shifting by $\pm\eta$ when crossing the seam.

Further, we see that the highest transfer matrix $\tau_{[1^l]}^g(z)$ has a particularly nice description in terms of a Leibniz-type formula:

Corollary 2.1.7.

$$\tau_{[1^\ell]}^g(z) = \gamma_1 \cdots \gamma_\ell \sum_{\sigma} \text{sgn } \sigma \cdot t_{\sigma(\ell)\ell}(z - \eta(\ell - 1)) \cdots t_{\sigma(1)1}(z).$$

Proof. We have

$$\tau_{[1^\ell]}^g(z) = \text{tr}_{t_{[1^\ell]}} T_{t_{[1^\ell]}}^g(z) = \text{tr}_{1 \dots \ell} \Pi_{t_{[1^\ell]}} g_\ell \cdots g_1 T_\ell(z - \eta(\ell - 1)) \cdots T_1(z).$$

We apply $\Pi_{t_{[1^\ell]}} g_\ell \cdots g_1 T_\ell(z - \eta(\ell - 1)) \cdots T_1(z)$ to $e_1 \otimes \cdots \otimes e_\ell$ and obtain

$$\sum_{i_1, \dots, i_\ell} \Pi_{t_{[1^\ell]}} (\gamma_{i_1} e_{i_1} \otimes \cdots \otimes \gamma_{i_\ell} e_{i_\ell}) \otimes t_{i_\ell, \ell}(z - \eta(\ell - 1)) \cdots t_{i_1, 1}(z).$$

But $\Pi_{t_{[1^\ell]}} (\gamma_{i_1} e_{i_1} \otimes \cdots \otimes \gamma_{i_\ell} e_{i_\ell})$ is only non-zero when the i_1, \dots, i_ℓ define a permutation σ , in which case it reduces to $\gamma_1 \cdots \gamma_\ell \cdot \text{sgn } \sigma \cdot (e_1 \otimes \cdots \otimes e_\ell)$. All in all, the trace thus reduces to

$$\sum_{\sigma} \gamma_1 \cdots \gamma_\ell \cdot \text{sgn } \sigma \cdot t_{\sigma(\ell)\ell}(z - \eta(\ell - 1)) \cdots t_{\sigma(1)1}(z),$$

which was the claim. \square

Definition 2.1.8. Due to this fact, $\tau_{[1^\ell]}^1(z)$ deserves the name *quantum determinant*. We also write $\text{qdet } T(z) := \tau_{[1^\ell]}^1(z)$.

Proposition 2.1.9. *The quantum determinant $\text{qdet } T(z)$ is group-like in the sense that*

$$\Delta(\text{qdet } T(z)) = \text{qdet } T(z) \otimes \text{qdet } T(z).$$

Proof. This is corollary 1.6.10 in [Mol07]. \square

Proposition 2.1.10. *The center of $Y(\mathfrak{gl}_\ell)$ is freely generated by the coefficients of $\text{qdet } T(z)$.*

Proof. This is theorem 1.7.5 in [Mol07]. \square

Corollary 2.1.11. *Let V be a highest weight representation of $Y(\mathfrak{gl}_\ell)$ with highest weight $\lambda(z) = (\lambda_1(z), \dots, \lambda_\ell(z))$. Then $\text{qdet } T(z)$ acts as a scalar of the form*

$$\lambda_1(z) \lambda_2(z - \eta) \cdots \lambda_\ell(z - \eta(\ell - 1)).$$

Proof. This is proposition 3.2.5 of [Mol07]. Since $T(z)$ acts as a lower-triangular matrix on the highest weight vector, the only non-zero term in the Leibniz formula above is the term for $\sigma = \text{id}$, which acts exactly as described. Since $\text{qdet } T(z)$ is central in $Y(\mathfrak{gl}_\ell)$, it will act on all vectors of V via this scalar. \square

Definition 2.1.12. Let λ, μ be Young diagrams and t_λ, t_μ standard tableaux of shape λ, μ with content vectors $(c_1, \dots, c_k), (d_1, \dots, d_l)$. Define the *higher R -matrices*

$$R_{t_\lambda, t_\mu}(z) := \prod_i \prod_j^{\longleftrightarrow} R_{i, k+j}(z + \eta c_i - \eta d_j) \in (\text{End } \mathbb{C}^\ell)^{\otimes k} \otimes (\text{End } \mathbb{C}^\ell)^{\otimes l}[[z^{-1}]]. \quad (2.5)$$

We see that $R_{t_\lambda, t_\mu}(z - w)$ preserves the subspace $L_{t_\lambda} \otimes L_{t_\mu}$ due to

$$R_{t_\lambda, t_\mu}(z - w) \Pi_{t_\lambda} \Pi_{t_\mu} = \Pi_{t_\mu} \Pi_{t_\lambda} \overleftrightarrow{\prod_{i,j}} R_{i, k+j}(z + \eta c_i - \eta d_j)$$

which follows from the RTT relation and taking consecutive limits. Further, repeated application of the RTT relation (1.8) implies

$$R_{t_\lambda, t_\mu}(z - w) T_{t_\lambda}(z) T_{t_\mu}(w) = T_{t_\mu}(w) T_{t_\lambda}(z) R_{t_\lambda, t_\mu}(z - w).$$

Similarly, repeated application of the quantum Yang-Baxter equation implies the higher quantum Yang-Baxter equation:

$$R_{t_\mu, t_\nu}(z - w) R_{t_\mu, t_\lambda}(z) R_{t_\nu, t_\lambda}(w) = R_{t_\nu, t_\lambda}(w) R_{t_\mu, t_\lambda}(z) R_{t_\mu, t_\nu}(z - w).$$

(tba)

Proposition 2.1.13. *Letting*

$$R_{t_\lambda, t_\mu}^{(21)}(z) := \overleftrightarrow{\prod_{j,i}} R_{k+j,i}(z + \eta d_j - \eta c_i)$$

we obtain

$$R_{t_\lambda, t_\mu}(z) R_{t_\mu, t_\lambda}^{(21)}(-z) = \prod_{ij} \left(1 - \frac{\eta^2}{(z + \eta c_i - \eta d_j)^2} \right)$$

In particular, higher R -matrices are invertible almost everywhere.

Proof. This is proposition 6.5.3 in [Mol07]. □

Corollary 2.1.14. *The transfer matrices $\tau_\lambda^g(z)$ commute among each other, making $B^g(\mathfrak{gl}_\ell)$ into a commutative algebra.*

Proof. Since $R_{t_\lambda, t_\mu}(z)$ is generically invertible by the previous proposition, we can give the following argument:

$$\begin{aligned} \tau_\lambda^g(z) \tau_\mu^g(w) &= \text{tr}_{t_\lambda, t_\mu} g_{t_\lambda} T_{t_\lambda}(z) g_{t_\mu} T_{t_\mu}(w) \\ &= \text{tr}_{t_\lambda, t_\mu} g_{t_\lambda} g_{t_\mu} T_{t_\lambda}(z) T_{t_\mu}(w) \\ &= \text{tr}_{t_\lambda, t_\mu} g_{t_\lambda} g_{t_\mu} R_{t_\lambda, t_\mu}(z - w)^{-1} T_{t_\mu}(w) T_{t_\lambda}(z) R_{t_\lambda, t_\mu}(z - w) \\ &= \text{tr}_{t_\lambda, t_\mu} g_{t_\lambda} g_{t_\mu} R_{t_\lambda, t_\mu}(z - w) R_{t_\lambda, t_\mu}(z - w)^{-1} T_{t_\mu}(w) T_{t_\lambda}(z) \\ &= \text{tr}_{t_\lambda, t_\mu} g_{t_\lambda} g_{t_\mu} T_{t_\mu}(w) T_{t_\lambda}(z) \\ &= \text{tr}_{t_\lambda, t_\mu} g_{t_\mu} T_{t_\mu}(w) g_{t_\lambda} T_{t_\lambda}(z) \\ &= \tau_\mu^g(w) \tau_\lambda^g(z). \end{aligned}$$

□

The functional relations between higher transfer matrices come from the so called *fusion relations*, whose categorification are certain short exact sequences of comodules. Of particular importance is the following short exact sequence:

$$0 \rightarrow C([2, 1^{k-1}])_\eta^g \rightarrow C([1^k])_\eta^g \otimes C(\square)_0^g \rightarrow C([1^{k+1}])_0^g \rightarrow 0.$$

The rule for traces over short exact sequences immediately implies the functional relation

$$\tau_{[2, 1^{k-1}]}^g(z - \eta) - \tau_{[1^k]}^g(z - \eta) \tau_{\square}^g(z) + \tau_{[1^{k+1}]}^g(z) = 0,$$

which will be our basis for deriving the spectral equation. The analogous short exact sequence for modules over $Y(\mathfrak{sl}_2)$ was originally established in [CP90]. In terms of Young diagrams, the case $k = 3$ simply reads

$$\begin{array}{|c|} \hline \square \\ \hline \square \\ \hline \end{array} \otimes \square = \begin{array}{|c|c|} \hline \square & \square \\ \hline \square & \\ \hline \end{array} \oplus \begin{array}{|c|} \hline \square \\ \hline \square \\ \hline \end{array},$$

which is the usual Littlewood-Richardson rule, except crucially we have an added dependence on the parameter z , which makes this short exact sequence non-split in general.

Proposition 2.1.15. *There is a short exact sequence*

$$0 \rightarrow C([2, 1^{k-1}])_\eta^g \rightarrow C([1^k])_\eta^g \otimes C(\square)_0^g \rightarrow C([1^{k+1}])_0^g \rightarrow 0.$$

of $Y(\mathfrak{gl}_\ell)[[z^{-1}]]$ -comodules.

Proof. Choosing column tableaux $t_{[2, 1^{k-1}]}, t_{[1^k]}, t_{[1^{k+1}]}$, we are led to consider the coaction

$$(\mathbb{C}^\ell)^{\otimes(k+1)} \rightarrow (\mathbb{C}^\ell)^{\otimes(k+1)} \otimes Y(\mathfrak{gl}_\ell)[[z^{-1}]]$$

given by

$$g_{k+1}g_k \cdots g_1 T_{k+1}(z) T_k(z - k\eta) \cdots T_1(z - \eta).$$

The fusion projectors $\Pi_{t_{[2, 1^{k-1}]}}$ and $\Pi_{t_{[1^k]}} \otimes 1$ project onto the left and middle pieces of the exact sequence we are after. From (2.3), it follows that $\Pi_{t_{[2, 1^{k-1}]}}$ actually factors through $\Pi_{t_{[1^k]}} \otimes 1$, which yields the inclusion from the left to the middle piece. This respects the coaction by construction. Now, $\Pi_{t_{[1^{k+1}]}}$ will be the projection onto the cokernel of this inclusion and it only remains to be checked that the projection respects the coaction. Indeed, the RTT relation supplemented by $\Pi_{t_{[1^{k+1}]}} \Pi_{t_{[1^k]}} = \Pi_{t_{[1^{k+1}]}}$ implies

$$\begin{aligned} & \Pi_{t_{[1^{k+1}]}} g_{k+1}g_k \cdots g_1 T_{k+1}(z) T_k(z - k\eta) \cdots T_1(z - \eta) \\ &= \Pi_{t_{[1^{k+1}]}} \Pi_{t_{[1^k]}} g_{k+1}g_k \cdots g_1 T_{k+1}(z) T_k(z - k\eta) \cdots T_1(z - \eta) \\ &= \Pi_{t_{[1^{k+1}]}} g_{k+1}g_k \cdots g_1 T_{k+1}(z) T_1(z - \eta) \cdots T_k(z - k\eta) \Pi_{t_{[1^k]}} \\ &= g_{k+1}g_k \cdots g_1 T_k(z - k\eta) \cdots T_1(z - \eta) T_{k+1}(z) \cdots \Pi_{t_{[1^{k+1}]}} \Pi_{t_{[1^k]}} \\ &= g_{k+1}g_k \cdots g_1 T_k(z - k\eta) T_1(z - \eta) T_{k+1}(z) \Pi_{t_{[1^{k+1}]}}. \end{aligned}$$

□

2.1.2 Spectral equation

In this section, we will derive the *spectral equation* for the non-local Hamiltonians of the Heisenberg model from the functional relation (2.1.1). This is where we will see the Lax matrix of the rational Ruijsenaars-Schneider model appear seemingly out of nowhere. We will work along the lines of [Aru], but our approach is slightly different since we use Yang's convention for R -matrices instead of the polynomial convention and work in the g -twisted setting. The equations in this subsection are to be read as valid in the monodromy representation $V_{y_1}^+ \otimes \cdots \otimes V_{y_N}^+$ with y_1, \dots, y_N in generic position, meaning $y_i - y_j \neq 0, \dots, (\ell - 1)\eta$. We start with an important observation about the analytic structure of the higher transfer matrices $\tau_{[1^k]}^g(z)$:

Lemma 2.1.16. *The higher transfer matrix $\tau_{[1^k]}^g(z)$ only has simple poles at y_1, \dots, y_N .*

Proof. The poles of $\tau_{[1^k]}^g(z)$ can be read off from

$$\tau_{[1^k]}^g(z) = \text{tr}_{1\dots k} \Pi_{1\dots k}^- g_k \cdots g_1 M_k(z - (k-1)\eta) \cdots M_2(z - \eta) M_1(z),$$

where $M_a(z)$ is the monodromy matrix. It follows from the analytic structure of the R -matrix that $\tau_{[1^k]}^g(z)$ may at most have simple poles at $y_i - j\eta$ for $i = 1, \dots, N$ and $j = 0, \dots, k-1$ when y_1, \dots, y_N are in generic position. It remains to show that the residues at $y_i - j\eta$ for $j = 1, \dots, k-1$ vanish. Indeed, let us look at two adjacent monodromy matrices of the form $M_2(z - \eta)M_1(z)$. Introduce the partial monodromy matrix

$$M_a^{[i,j]}(z) := R_{ai}(z - y_i) \cdots R_{aj}(z - y_j)$$

and compute

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Res}_{z=y_i-\eta} \left(M_2(z - \eta) M_1(z) \right) &= M_2^{[N,i+1]}(y_i) \eta P_{2i} M_2^{[i-1,1]}(y_i) M_1^{[N,i+1]}(y_i - \eta) 2\Pi_{1i}^+ M_1^{[i-1,1]}(y_i - \eta) \\ &= M_2^{[N,i+1]}(y_i) M_1^{[N,i+1]}(y_i - \eta) \eta P_{2i} 2\Pi_{1i}^+ M_2^{[i-1,1]}(y_i) M_1^{[i-1,1]}(y_i - \eta) \\ &= M_2^{[N,i+1]}(y_i) M_1^{[N,i+1]}(y_i - \eta) 2\Pi_{12}^+ \eta P_{2i} M_2^{[i-1,1]}(y_i) M_1^{[i-1,1]}(y_i - \eta) \\ &= \Pi_{21}^+ M_1^{[N,i+1]}(y_i - \eta) M_2^{[N,i+1]}(y_i) 2\Pi_{12}^+ \eta P_{2i} M_2^{[i-1,1]}(y_i) M_1^{[i-1,1]}(y_i - \eta) \\ &= \Pi_{12}^+ M_2^{[N,i+1]}(y_i) M_1^{[N,i+1]}(y_i - \eta) 2\Pi_{12}^+ \eta P_{2i} M_2^{[i-1,1]}(y_i) M_1^{[i-1,1]}(y_i - \eta) \\ &= \Pi_{12}^+ \text{Res}_{z=y_i-\eta} \left(M_2(z - \eta) M_1(z) \right). \end{aligned}$$

It follows that $\text{Res}_{z=y_i-\eta} (M_k(z - (k-1)\eta) \cdots M_1(z))$ is symmetric in the indices 1 and 2, forcing $\text{Res}_{z=y_i-\eta} \tau_{[1^k]}^g(z)$ to be zero due to the presence of the antisymmetrizer $\Pi_{1\dots k}^-$. The same argument also holds for the poles at $y_i - j\eta$ for $j = 2, \dots, k-1$. \square

Lemma 2.1.17. *Let χ_λ be the character of the highest weight module $L(\lambda)$. Then*

$$\tau_\lambda^g(\infty) = \chi_\lambda(g).$$

Remark. For this reason, the higher transfer matrices are called *quantum characters* in [Aru].

Proof. Let us take the column tableau t_λ , giving

$$\tau_\lambda^g(\infty) = \text{tr}_{t_\lambda} T_{t_\lambda}^g(\infty).$$

But $T_{t_\lambda}^g(\infty)$ is just g , yielding

$$\tau_\lambda^g(\infty) = \text{tr}_{t_\lambda} g_k \cdots g_1,$$

which is exactly the character $\chi_\lambda(g)$ of the highest weight module $L(\lambda)$. \square

Lemma 2.1.18. *We have*

$$\tau_{[1^k]}^g(z) = e_k(g) + \sum_i \frac{\text{Res}_{z=y_i} \tau_{[1^k]}^g(z)}{z - y_i}.$$

Proof. This is just the canonical partial fraction decomposition of $\tau_{[1^k]}^g(z)$, taking into account that $\tau_{[1^k]}^g(z)$ only has simple poles at y_1, \dots, y_N and fulfills $\tau_{[1^k]}^g(\infty) = \chi_{[1^k]}(g)$, which is nothing but the k th elementary symmetric polynomial $e_k(g)$. \square

Lemma 2.1.19. *We have the recursion relation*

$$\text{Res}_{z=y_i} \tau_{[1^{k+1}]}^g(z) = e_k(g)H_i + \sum_j \frac{\eta H_i}{y_i - y_j - \eta} \text{Res}_{z=y_j} \tau_{[1^k]}^g(z).$$

Proof. The functional relation (2.1.1) can be rewritten as

$$\tau_{[1^{k+1}]}^g(z) = \tau_{[1^k]}^g(z - \eta) \tau_{\square}^g(z) - \tau_{[2, 1^{k-1}]}^g(z - \eta).$$

Let us take the residue at $z = y_i$. Recall that $\tau_{[1^k]}^g(z - \eta)$ does not have a pole at y_i by lemma 2.1.16. If show the same for $\tau_{[2, 1^{k-1}]}^g(z - \eta)$, we arrive at

$$\text{Res}_{z=y_i} \tau_{[1^{k+1}]}^g(z) = \tau_{[1^k]}^g(y_i - \eta)H_i,$$

such that lemma 2.1.17 yields the claim. Indeed, taking the column tableau $t_{[2, 1^{k-1}]}$, we get

$$\tau_{[2, 1^{k-1}]}^g(z) = \text{tr}_{1 \dots k+1} \Pi_{t_{[2, 1^{k-1}]}} g_{k+1} \cdots g_1 M_{k+1}(z + \eta) M_k(z - (k-1)\eta) \cdots M_2(z - \eta) M_1(z).$$

The combination $M_2(z - \eta) M_1(z)$ again gives a vanishing residue at $z = y_i - \eta$ by the argument of lemma 2.1.16 using the identity $\Pi_{t_{[2, 1^{k-1}]}} \Pi_{12}^+ = 0$, which follows from (2.2). \square

In matrix notation, the previous lemma reads

$$\begin{pmatrix} \text{Res}_{z=y_1} \tau_{[1^{k+1}]}^g(z) \\ \vdots \\ \text{Res}_{z=y_N} \tau_{[1^{k+1}]}^g(z) \end{pmatrix} = e_k(g) \begin{pmatrix} H_1 \\ \vdots \\ H_N \end{pmatrix} - L^t \begin{pmatrix} \text{Res}_{z=y_1} \tau_{[1^k]}^g(z) \\ \vdots \\ \text{Res}_{z=y_N} \tau_{[1^k]}^g(z) \end{pmatrix}$$

with

$$L_{ij} := \frac{\eta H_j}{y_i - y_j + \eta} = \frac{\eta}{y_i - y_j + \eta} \left(\prod_{j \neq k} \frac{y_j - y_k - \eta}{y_j - y_k} \right) \check{H}_j.$$

This looks awfully close to the Lax matrix (1.3) of the rational Ruijsenaars-Schneider model when we substitute e^{-p_j} for \check{H}_j ! Recall that X_j is the operator that under quantization corresponds to e^{-p_j} , which leads us to hypothesize that X_j and \check{H}_j will in some sense turn out to be one and the same operator. This is the main result of the next section.

Iterating the matrix equation and combining with the formula for the quantum determinant from corollary 2.1.11 finally gives the spectral equation, resembling a Cayley-Hamilton-type identity:

Theorem 2.1.20 (Spectral equation). *The non-local Hamiltonians H_1, \dots, H_N of the spin chain fulfill the spectral equation*

$$\sum_{k=0}^{\ell} e_{\ell-k}(g)(-L^t)^k \begin{pmatrix} b_1 \\ \vdots \\ b_N \end{pmatrix} = 0, \quad (2.6)$$

where $b_i = \prod_{i \neq j} \frac{y_i - y_j - \eta}{y_i - y_j}$.

Proof. We have $\text{qdet } T(z) = \prod_k \frac{z - y_k - \eta}{z - y_k}$, so that $\text{Res}_{z=y_j} \text{qdet } T(z) = -\eta b_j$. On the other hand, we have $L = CH \Leftrightarrow H = (-L^t)(-C^t)^{-1}$, where $C_{ij} = \frac{\eta}{y_i - y_j + \eta}$ is the Cauchy matrix and $H = \text{diag}(H_1, \dots, H_N)$. Iterating the recursion relation from lemma 2.1.19 until we reach the quantum determinant $\tau_{[1^\ell]}^g(z) = e_\ell(g) \text{qdet } T(z)$ yields

$$e_\ell(g) \begin{pmatrix} \text{Res}_{z=y_1} \text{qdet } T(z) \\ \vdots \\ \text{Res}_{z=y_N} \text{qdet } T(z) \end{pmatrix} = \sum_{k=1}^{\ell} e_{\ell-k}(g)(-L^t)^{k-1} \begin{pmatrix} H_1 \\ \vdots \\ H_N \end{pmatrix},$$

which implies

$$\sum_{k=0}^{\ell} e_{\ell-k}(g)(-L^t)^k (C^t)^{-1} e = 0$$

due to $He = (-L^t)(-C^t)^{-1}e$, where $e = (1, \dots, 1)$, so that $(C^t)^{-1}e$ is the vector from (2.6) \square

Remark. The Cayley-Hamilton form of the spectral equation is consistent with the findings of [GZZ14], where it is shown that the twist parameters $\gamma_1, \dots, \gamma_\ell$ give the eigenvalues of the Lax matrix L with multiplicities given by the eigenvalues of the occupation number operators

$$M_a = \sum_{i=1}^N (e_{aa})_i, \quad a = 1, \dots, \ell. \quad (2.7)$$

2.2 Generalized Schur-Weyl duality

Why should the Lax matrix of the rational Ruijsenaars-Schneider model appear in the spectral equation? A first clue is given by the fact that the Yangian allows for residual symmetries through its various automorphisms, the most peculiar of which is the shift automorphism. It has no analogue for \mathfrak{gl}_ℓ and is thus special to the Yangian. This non-rigidity gives additional degrees

of freedom for monodromy representations: the inhomogeneities. They seem to play the role of the position variables of the rational Ruijsenaars-Schneider model. What is the mathematical reason for their appearance? Most simply, it is because the Schur-Weyl dual of the Yangian is the degenerate affine Hecke algebra, whose generators include polynomial generators that act as inhomogeneities. To introduce this, we will start with a discussion of classical Schur-Weyl duality between the symmetric groups S_N and the Lie algebras \mathfrak{gl}_ℓ . A detailed account of various generalized Schur-Weyl dualities can be found in [Ant20].

2.2.1 Classical Schur-Weyl duality

Classical Schur-Weyl duality establishes a link between the representation theory of the symmetric group S_N and the representation theory of the Lie algebra \mathfrak{gl}_ℓ . Let \mathbb{C}^ℓ be the vector representation of \mathfrak{gl}_ℓ and consider the N -fold tensor product representation $(\mathbb{C}^\ell)^{\otimes N}$. Clearly, \mathfrak{gl}_ℓ acts from the left via the coproduct of $U(\mathfrak{gl}_\ell)$. However, there is also a right action of S_N by permuting tensorands. Schur-Weyl duality now states the following:

Theorem 2.2.1. (i) *The actions of $U(\mathfrak{gl}_\ell)$ and $\mathbb{C}[S_N]$ on $(\mathbb{C}^\ell)^{\otimes N}$ are each others centralizer.*
(ii) *We have the decomposition*

$$(\mathbb{C}^\ell)^{\otimes N} = \bigoplus_{\lambda} L(\lambda) \otimes S(\lambda),$$

where λ ranges over all Young diagrams with N boxes and at most ℓ rows, $L(\lambda)$ is the corresponding irreducible highest weight representation of \mathfrak{gl}_ℓ and $S(\lambda)$ is the corresponding Specht module of S_N , compare proposition 2.1.3.

Corollary 2.2.2. *We have $L(\lambda) \cong (\mathbb{C}^\ell)^{\otimes N} \otimes_{S_N} S(\lambda)$.*

The last part can be nicely organized in categorical language, following [DM10]. Define a monoidal category S_* with objects $[N]$ for $N \in \mathbb{N}$ and monoidal product $[N] \otimes [M] := [N + M]$ as well as morphisms

$$\mathrm{Hom}_{S_*}([N], [M]) := \begin{cases} \mathbb{C}[S_N], & N = M \\ \emptyset, & N \neq M \end{cases}$$

with the monoidal product of morphisms given by the natural map $\mathbb{C}[S_N] \otimes \mathbb{C}[S_M] \rightarrow \mathbb{C}[S_{N+M}]$. We now take the following \mathbb{C} -linear closure

$$\mathbb{C}(S_*) := [S_*, \mathbf{Vect}] \simeq \bigoplus_N \mathbb{C}[S_N] \mathbf{Mod},$$

where we have a tensor product given by Day convolution:

$$U \otimes_{S_*} W := \mathbb{C}[S_{N+M}] \otimes_{\mathbb{C}[S_N] \otimes \mathbb{C}[S_M]} (U \otimes W).$$

which gives a monoidal fiber functor

$$F_\ell : \mathbb{C}(S_*) \rightarrow \mathbf{Vect}, \quad U \in \mathbb{C}[S_N] \mathbf{Mod} \mapsto (\mathbb{C}^\ell)^{\otimes N} \otimes_{S_N} U.$$

The fact that $U(\mathfrak{gl}_\ell)$ centralizes the action of the symmetric groups gives a homomorphism $U(\mathfrak{gl}_\ell) \rightarrow \text{End}(F_\ell)$ and we obtain a commutative diagram of monoidal functors

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \mathbb{C}(S_*) & \xrightarrow{F_\ell} & \text{Vect} \\ & \searrow SW_\ell & \nearrow \\ & U(\mathfrak{gl}_\ell)\text{Mod} & \end{array}$$

Hence we might also say that the algebras $U(\mathfrak{gl}_\ell)$ are Tannaka dual to the algebras $\mathbb{C}[S_N]$.

Theorem 2.2.3 (Classical Schur-Weyl duality). *The functor*

$$SW_{\ell,N} : \mathbb{C}[S_N]\text{Mod} \rightarrow U(\mathfrak{gl}_\ell)\text{Mod}, \quad U \mapsto (\mathbb{C}^\ell)^{\otimes N} \otimes_{S_N} U$$

is full and also faithful when $\ell \geq N$. Its essential image are $U(\mathfrak{gl}_\ell)$ -modules of weight N .

2.2.2 Schur-Weyl duality for the Yangian

The important observation now is that classical Schur-Weyl duality may be generalized from the Lie algebra \mathfrak{gl}_ℓ to the Yangian $Y(\mathfrak{gl}_\ell)$ by replacing the symmetric group with the degenerate affine Hecke algebra. The additional action by shifts of the spectral parameter z of the Yangian is defined using the action of the polynomial generators y_i of the degenerate affine Hecke algebra.

Proceeding as above, following the language of [DM10], we define a monoidal category \dot{H}_* with objects $[N]$ for $N \in \mathbb{N}$, monoidal product $[N] \otimes [M] := [N + M]$ as well as morphisms

$$\text{Hom}_{\dot{H}_*}([N], [M]) := \begin{cases} \dot{H}_N, & N = M \\ \emptyset, & N \neq M \end{cases}$$

with the monoidal product of morphisms given by the natural map $\dot{H}_N \otimes \dot{H}_M \rightarrow \dot{H}_{N+M}$. We again take the \mathbb{C} -linear closure

$$\mathbb{C}(\dot{H}_*) := [\dot{H}_*, \text{Vect}] \simeq \bigoplus_N \dot{H}_N \text{Mod},$$

equipped with the Day convolution tensor product

$$U \otimes_{\dot{H}_*} W := \dot{H}_{N+M} \otimes_{\dot{H}_N \otimes \dot{H}_M} (U \otimes W).$$

We may define a fiber functor $\mathbb{C}(\dot{H}_*) \rightarrow \text{Vect}$ that factors through a functor $D_\ell : \mathbb{C}(\dot{H}_*) \rightarrow Y(\mathfrak{gl}_\ell)\text{Mod}$. Its components are called *Drinfeld functors*.

Definition 2.2.4. We define the *Drinfeld functor*

$$D_{\ell,N} : \dot{H}_N \text{Mod} \rightarrow Y(\mathfrak{gl}_\ell)\text{Mod}, \quad U \mapsto (\mathbb{C}^\ell)^{\otimes N} \otimes_{S_N} U$$

by first considering the case $N = 1$ and introducing a $Y(\mathfrak{gl}_\ell)$ -module structure on the tensor product $\mathbb{C}^\ell \otimes U$ via

$$t_{ij}^{(r)}(v \otimes u) := -\eta e_{ji} v \otimes y_1^{r-1} u,$$

which becomes

$$t_{ij}(z) \mapsto \delta_{ij} - \frac{\eta e_{ji}}{z - y_1} \quad \text{or} \quad T(z) \mapsto R(z - y_1)$$

in power series and matrix notation, respectively. The coproduct of the Yangian extends the definition to the remaining cases $N > 1$:

$$T(z) \mapsto R_{0N}(z - y_N) \cdots R_{01}(z - y_1).$$

Theorem 2.2.5 (Schur-Weyl duality for the Yangian). *The functor D_ℓ is full and also faithful when $\ell > N$. Its essential image are $Y(\mathfrak{gl}_\ell)$ -modules of weight N .*

Proof. This is the main theorem of [Dri86]. Drinfeld's original proof has never been published, but [CP95] contains a detailed and proof for the analogous case of affine quantum groups. \square

Proposition 2.2.6. *The functor D_ℓ is a monoidal functor, i.e. there exist natural isomorphisms*

$$D_{\ell, N+M}(U \otimes_{\dot{H}_*} W) \cong D_{\ell, N}(U) \otimes D_{\ell, M}(W).$$

Proof. This already appears in [Dri86]. \square

Proposition 2.2.7. *The following diagram commutes on the nose:*

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \mathbb{C}[S_N] \text{Mod} & \xrightarrow{SW_{\ell, N}} & U(\mathfrak{gl}_\ell) \\ \downarrow \text{ev} & & \downarrow \text{ev} \\ \dot{H}_N \text{Mod} & \xrightarrow{D_{\ell, N}} & Y(\mathfrak{gl}_\ell) \end{array}$$

Proof. tba \square

We can already see how this is beginning to resemble the structure we are looking for: The Drinfeld functor takes representations of the degenerate affine Hecke algebra \dot{H}_N , such as the wave function representation of the quantum rational Ruijsenaars-Schneider model, and produces a representation of the Yangian clearly resembling fundamental monodromy representations with inhomogeneities given by the polynomial generators y_i of the degenerate affine Hecke algebra.

However, we are still missing two important ingredients: Firstly, the twist matrix does not enter into the structure at any point, and secondly, we are disregarding the Laurent generators X_i of the degenerate double affine Hecke algebra \ddot{H}_N , which play an important role in defining the Hamiltonians of the quantum rational Ruijsenaars-Schneider model. These shortcomings will be remedied in the next section.

2.2.3 Twisted Schur-Weyl duality for the Yangian

It is clear that any \ddot{H}_N -module restricts to an \dot{H}_N -module to which we can apply the Drinfeld functor, giving a new functor

$$\ddot{H}_N \text{Mod} \rightarrow Y(\mathfrak{gl}_\ell) \text{Mod}, \quad U \mapsto (\mathbb{C}^\ell)^{\otimes N} \otimes_{S_N} U.$$

Crucially however, we still have the action of the Laurent generators X_i on $(\mathbb{C}^\ell)^{\otimes N} \otimes_{S_N} V$ left over. Since we tensor over the symmetric group, we are required to restrict to operators that are symmetric in the X_i . Such operators are provided by the spherical degenerate double affine Hecke algebra $S\ddot{H}_N$. Naively incorporating this action yields a functor

$$\ddot{H}_N \text{Mod} \rightarrow S\ddot{H}_N \# Y(\mathfrak{gl}_\ell) \text{Mod},$$

where “ $\#$ ” denotes the free product. Let us now twist this using the twist matrix g :

Definition 2.2.8. Define the *twist-extended Drinfeld functor*

$$D_{\ell,N}^g : \ddot{H}_N \text{Mod} \rightarrow S\ddot{H}_N \# Y(\mathfrak{gl}_\ell) \text{Mod}, \quad U \mapsto (\mathbb{C}^\ell)^{\otimes N} \otimes_{S_N} U,$$

by letting X_i act on $(\mathbb{C}^\ell)^{\otimes N} \otimes_{S_N} U$ via

$$X_i(v \otimes u) := g_i v \otimes X_i u.$$

The y_i act untwisted.

With this definition, we are finally ready to show explicitly how the preaffine Drinfeld functor maps the quantum rational Ruijsenaars-Schneider model to the twisted inhomogeneous Heisenberg model in the limit $\hbar \rightarrow 0$. This is the aim of the next section.

2.3 Quantum-classical duality as Schur-Weyl duality

2.3.1 Fundamental spin chain

We are now ready to show how the Hamiltonian operators acting on the wave function representation $\mathbb{C}[y_1, \dots, y_N]$ of the quantum rational Ruijsenaars-Schneider model produce the Hamiltonian operators on the Heisenberg spin chain via the preaffine Drinfeld functor. This result rests on the following key observation:

Lemma 2.3.1. *On $D_{\ell,N}^g(\mathbb{C}[y_1, \dots, y_N])$, we have*

$$g_i v \otimes X_i f = \check{R}_{i,i-1}(y_i - y_{i-1}) \cdots \check{R}_{i1}(y_i - y_1) (g_i \otimes e^{i\hbar \partial_i}) \check{R}_{iN}(y_i - y_N) \cdots \check{R}_{i,i+1}(y_i - y_{i+1}) (v \otimes f).$$

where we have introduced

$$\check{R}_{ij}(y_i - y_j)(v \otimes f) := v \otimes \frac{y_i - y_j}{y_i - y_j - \eta} f - v s_i \otimes \frac{\eta}{y_i - y_j - \eta} f.$$

Proof. Since we are tensoring over S_N , we know that $vs_i \otimes f = v \otimes T_i f$, i.e.

$$\begin{aligned} vs_i \otimes f &= v \otimes \left(\frac{y_i - y_{i+1} - \eta}{y_i - y_{i+1}} s_i + \frac{\eta}{y_i - y_{i+1}} \right) f \\ &\Leftrightarrow vs_i \otimes f - v \otimes \frac{\eta}{y_i - y_{i+1}} f = v \otimes \frac{y_i - y_{i+1} - \eta}{y_i - y_{i+1}} s_i f \\ &\Leftrightarrow vs_i \otimes \frac{y_i - y_j}{y_i - y_j - \eta} f - v \otimes \frac{\eta}{y_i - y_j - \eta} f = v \otimes s_i f, \end{aligned}$$

or in short:

$$\check{R}_{i,i+1}(y_i - y_{i+1})(vs_i \otimes f) = v \otimes s_i f.$$

In combination, we obtain

$$v \otimes x_{i,i+1} f = v \otimes s_i T_i f = \check{R}_{i,i+1}(y_i - y_{i+1})(vs_i \otimes T_i f) = \check{R}_{i,i+1}(y_i - y_{i+1})(v \otimes f).$$

It follows that

$$\begin{aligned} g_i v \otimes X_i f &= g_i v \otimes x_{i,i-1} \cdots x_{i1} e^{i\hbar \partial_i} x_{iN} \cdots x_{i,i+1} f \\ &= \check{R}_{i,i-1}(y_i - y_{i-1}) \cdots \check{R}_{i1}(y_i - y_1) (g_i v \otimes e^{i\hbar \partial_i} x_{iN} \cdots x_{i,i+1} f) \\ &= \check{R}_{i,i-1}(y_i - y_{i-1}) \cdots \check{R}_{i1}(y_i - y_1) (g_i \otimes e^{i\hbar \partial_i}) (v \otimes x_{iN} \cdots x_{i,i+1} f) \\ &= \check{R}_{i,i-1}(y_i - y_{i-1}) \cdots \check{R}_{i1}(y_i - y_1) (g_i \otimes e^{i\hbar \partial_i}) \check{R}_{iN}(y_i - y_N) \cdots \check{R}_{i,i+1}(y_i - y_{i+1}) (v \otimes f). \end{aligned}$$

□

We are now ready to state the main theorem of this chapter, showing that the Hamiltonians of the rational Ruijsenaars-Schneider model get mapped to the Hamiltonians of the twisted inhomogeneous Heisenberg model under the preaffine Drinfeld functor:

Theorem 2.3.2. *The operator*

$$\mathrm{tr} g + \sum_i \frac{\eta}{z - y_i} \left(\prod_{k \neq i} \frac{y_i - y_k - \eta}{y_i - y_k} \right) X_i \in S\check{H}_N[[z^{-1}]]$$

acts on $D_{\ell,N}^g(\mathbb{C}[y_1, \dots, y_N])$ as the transfer matrix $\tau^g(z)$ when $\hbar = 0$.

Proof. We compare the residues. By lemma 2.3.1, we see that $\left(\prod_{k \neq i} \frac{y_i - y_k - \eta}{y_i - y_k} \right) X_i$ acts as

$$R_{i,i-1}(y_i - y_{i-1}) \cdots R_{i1}(y_i - y_1) (g_i \otimes e^{i\hbar \partial_i}) R_{iN}(y_i - y_N) \cdots R_{i,i+1}(y_i - y_{i+1}),$$

which for $\hbar = 0$ coincides with $\mathrm{Res}_{z=y_i} \tau^g(z)/\eta$. □

Until now we have always treated the rational Ruijsenaars-Schneider model and the Heisenberg model as separate. We have now seen that there is a clear correspondence between their Hilbert spaces and Hamiltonians according to the following Rosetta stone:

twisted inhomogeneous Heisenberg model	rational Ruijsenaars-Schneider model
Yangian $Y(\mathfrak{gl}_\ell)$	degenerate affine Hecke algebra \dot{H}_N
Bethe subalgebra $B^g(\mathfrak{gl}_\ell)$	spherical subalgebra $S\ddot{H}_N$
fundamental monodromy representation	wave function representation
Planck constant η	coupling constant η
i th atom	i th particle
inhomogeneities y_i	positions y_i
non-local Hamiltonians \check{H}_i	Macdonald operators X_i at $\hbar = 0$

Remark. We may think of both models as two aspects of one and the same model: The rational Ruijsenaars-Schneider model with spin, which is the rational limit of the trigonometric case described in [LPS22]. Its Hilbert space is just

$$D_{\ell,N}^g(\mathbb{C}[y_1, \dots, y_N]) = (\mathbb{C}^\ell)^{\otimes N} \otimes_{S_N} \mathbb{C}[y_1, \dots, y_N],$$

which evidently has two parts: The first tensorand is the Hilbert space of N spins and the second tensorand is the Hilbert space of wave functions of N particles. We let the usual Hamiltonians of the rational Ruijsenaars-Schneider model act on the wave function part, which intertwines with the spin chain part because we are tensoring over S_N . This means that an exchange of two particles acts non-trivially on their spins via the R -matrix.

2.3.2 Higher spin chain

The way we have introduced the quantum-classical duality between the inhomogeneous Heisenberg and rational Ruijsenaars-Schneider models easily lends itself to a generalization to spins in non-fundamental representations: Consider the spin chain with monodromy representation

$$L(\lambda^{(1)})_{y_1}^t \otimes \dots \otimes L(\lambda^{(N)})_{y_N}^t$$

whose spins transform in the representations labeled by Young diagrams $\lambda^{(i)}$ at each site. By monoidality, we can construct this monodromy representation as the image of

$$S(\lambda^{(1)})_{y_1} \otimes_{\dot{H}_*} \dots \otimes_{\dot{H}_*} S(\lambda^{(N)})_{y_N}$$

under the Drinfeld functor.

Let us look at a single site $L(\lambda)_y^t$ with a Young diagram λ of k boxes. Take the Specht module $S(\lambda)$ and pull back along the evaluation morphism at $y \in \mathbb{C}$. This yields the \dot{H}_k -module $S(\lambda)_y$ with y_1, \dots, y_k acting as $y - c_1\eta, \dots, y - c_k\eta$ on the basis vector v_t labeled by a standard Young tableau t of shape λ with content vector (c_1, \dots, c_k) . We also know that $S(\lambda)_y$ maps to $L(\lambda)_y^t$ under the Drinfeld functor. Note that this is exactly in line with the fusion procedure, taking $y_i \rightarrow y - \eta c_i$. We conclude that a single site with spin representation labeled by λ is equivalently a *stack of k particles* that sit at relative positions determined by content vectors for standard Young tableaux of shape λ . A general quantum state is a superposition of such

configurations and transforms under S_N in the representation given by the Specht module $S(\lambda)$, *i.e.* the particle wave function of the stack satisfies exchange statistics determined by the Specht module $S(\lambda)$.

What is the correspondence for Hamiltonians? On the spin side, we consider

$$\check{\mathbf{H}}_i := R_{\lambda^{(i)}\lambda^{(i-1)}}(y_i - y_{i-1}) \cdots R_{\lambda^{(i)}\lambda^{(1)}}(y_i - y_1) g_i R_{\lambda^{(i)}\lambda^{(N)}}(y_i - y_N) \cdots R_{\lambda^{(i)}\lambda^{(i+1)}}(y_i - y_{i+1})$$

where $\check{R}_{\lambda^{(i)}\lambda^{(j)}}(y_i - y_j)$ denotes the higher R -matrix (2.5) for the Young diagram $\lambda^{(i)}$ and $\lambda^{(j)}$ in the unitary convention. These are the *higher non-local Hamiltonians*. On the particle side, we may similarly introduce *higher x -operators* $x_{\lambda\mu} := \overleftarrow{\prod}_i \overrightarrow{\prod}_j x_{ij}$ and define *higher Macdonald operators*

$$\mathbf{X}_i := x_{\lambda^{(i)}\lambda^{(i-1)}} \cdots x_{\lambda^{(i)}\lambda^{(1)}} e^{i\hbar\partial_i} x_{\lambda^{(i)}\lambda^{(N)}} \cdots x_{\lambda^{(i)}\lambda^{(i+1)}}.$$

They relate as follows:

Proposition 2.3.3. *The higher x -operators $x_{\lambda^{(i)}\lambda^{(j)}}$ act on $D_{\ell,N}^g(\mathbb{C}[y_1, \dots, y_N])$ in the same way as the higher R -matrix $\check{R}_{\lambda^{(i)}\lambda^{(j)}}(y_i - y_j)$.*

Proof. This follows directly from lemma 2.3.1. □

Corollary 2.3.4. *The symmetric polynomials $e_k(\mathbf{X}_1, \dots, \mathbf{X}_N)$ act on $D_{\ell,N}^g(\mathbb{C}[y_1, \dots, y_N])$ in the same way as $e_k(\check{\mathbf{H}}_1, \dots, \check{\mathbf{H}}_N)$ when $\hbar = 0$.*

This allows us to state the following correspondence:

twisted inhomogeneous Heisenberg model	rational Ruijsenaars-Schneider model
i th atom	i th stack of particles
spin in representation λ	stack satisfying λ -exchange statistics
inhomogeneities y_i of spins	positions y_i of stacks
higher non-local Hamiltonians $\check{\mathbf{H}}_i$	higher Macdonald operators \mathbf{X}_i

Example. Let us look at the two site spin chain

$$L(\square)_{y_1}^t \otimes L(\square)_{y_2}^t \subseteq V_{y_1}^+ \otimes V_{y_1'}^+ \otimes V_{y_2}^+ \otimes V_{y_2'}^+.$$

for $y_i' = y_i - \eta$ with projector $\Pi_{\square} = (1 + (1 \ 2))/2$ for $\ell = 2$. Explicitly solving for the spectrum of this spin chain using the spectral equation derived earlier proves difficult for the following reasons:

- (i) We cannot take the limit $y_i' \rightarrow y_i - \eta$ in the spectral equation, since its coefficients have a pole at $y_i' = y_i - \eta$.
- (ii) We might try to solve the spectral equation for generic inhomogeneities and *then* take the limit $y_i' \rightarrow y_i - \eta$ in the solution we obtained. However, the spectral equation for a spin chain with four sites and generic inhomogeneities contains polynomials in four variables and degree $\ell = 2$. Solving such an equation analytically is already computationally intractable, yielding expressions spanning multiple megabytes in Mathematica.

Instead, solving the Wronskian equation [Aru] for the $N = 4$ \mathfrak{gl}_2 spin chain with generic inhomogeneities and performing the fusion procedure as well as going to the homogeneous limit yields the solution

$$(z - \eta)^2(2z^2 + 4\eta z + 4\eta^2)$$

for the $\square\square\square\square$ -multiplet, which is exactly correct (compare [Aru], section 8.7) up to the prefactor $(z - \eta)^2$, which results from the polynomial convention used in *loc. cit.* (tba)

2.4 S -duality

2.4.1 Schur-Weyl duality for the loop Yangian

Let us reexamine the twist-extended Drinfeld functor

$$D_{\ell,N}^g : \ddot{H}_N \text{Mod} \rightarrow S\ddot{H}_N \# Y(\mathfrak{gl}_\ell) \text{Mod}.$$

Note that there is an asymmetry in its definition: It prioritizes the polynomial generators y_i by incorporating them in the action of the Yangian, while the S -dual Laurent generators X_i are artificially added on. It is known that there is a generalized Schur-Weyl duality between the affine symmetric group, which is the source of the Laurent generators, and the loop algebra $L(\mathfrak{gl}_\ell) := U(\mathfrak{gl}_\ell[t^{\pm 1}])$. Thus, we might hope to put both sides on a more equal footing by incorporating an action of the loop algebra on $(\mathbb{C}^\ell)^{\otimes N} \otimes_{S_N} U$ in addition to the action of the Yangian, making use of the Laurent generators X_i :

$$(xt)(v \otimes u) := \sum_i x_i v \otimes X_i u.$$

This yields an action of $L(\mathfrak{gl}_\ell) \# Y(\mathfrak{gl}_\ell)$ on $(\mathbb{C}^\ell)^{\otimes N} \otimes_{S_N} U$. By [Gua05], this action in fact descends to the *loop Yangian* $LY(\mathfrak{gl}_\ell)$, which is a quotient of $L(\mathfrak{gl}_\ell) \# Y(\mathfrak{gl}_\ell)$:

Theorem 2.4.1. *The action of the Yangian $Y(\mathfrak{gl}_\ell)$ and the loop algebra $L(\mathfrak{gl}_\ell)$ glue together to an action of the loop Yangian $LY(\mathfrak{gl}_\ell)$.*

Proof. This is proved in [Gua05], also see [Kod16]. □

Definition 2.4.2. This defines the *loop-extended Drinfeld functor*

$$LD_{\ell,N} : \ddot{H}_N \text{Mod} \rightarrow LY(\mathfrak{gl}_\ell) \text{Mod}.$$

We can now identify the Hamiltonians of the quantum rational Ruijsenaars-Schneider model and the quantum trigonometric Calogero-Moser model as elements of the loop Yangian, or more precisely of the centers of the loop algebra and the Yangian sitting inside the loop Yangian, respectively:

Proposition 2.4.3. *On $LD_{\ell,N}(\mathbb{C}[y_1, \dots, y_N])$, we have*

$$t(v \otimes f) = v \otimes D_1 f,$$

where D_1 is the standard Hamiltonian of the quantum rational Ruijsenaars-Schneider model.

Proof. We immediately see this from the definition of the action of the loop algebra:

$$t(v \otimes f) = \sum_i v \otimes X_i f = v \otimes D_1 f.$$

□

We also obtain the following result for the S -dual representation, which should be compared to equation (4.2) in [BGHP93]:

Proposition 2.4.4. *On $LD_{\ell,N}(\mathbb{C}[X_1^{\pm 1}, \dots, X_N^{\pm 1}])$, the quantum determinant has the following expansion:*

$$\begin{aligned} \text{qdet}^1 T(z) = & 1 - \frac{\eta}{z} N - \frac{\eta}{z^2} \left(C'_1 - \eta \frac{N(N-1)}{2} \right) \\ & - \frac{\eta}{z^3} \left(C'_2 - \eta(N-1)C'_1 + \eta^2 \frac{N(N-1)(N-2)}{6} \right) + \dots, \end{aligned}$$

where $C'_1 = \sum_i y_i$ and $C'_2 = \sum_i y_i^2$ are the first two Hamiltonians of the trigonometric Calogero-Moser model.

Proof. Since the quantum determinant is group-like according to proposition 2.1.9, we find that the quantum determinant acting on $LD_{\ell,N}(\mathbb{C}[X_1^{\pm 1}, \dots, X_N^{\pm 1}])$ is given by the product of elementary quantum determinants $1 - \frac{\eta}{z-y_i}$, which becomes

$$\text{qdet} T(z) = \prod_{i=1}^N \left(1 - \frac{\eta}{z-y_i} \right).$$

Recalling that

$$1 - \frac{\eta}{z-y_i} = 1 - \frac{\eta}{z} - \frac{\eta}{z^2} y_i - \frac{\eta}{z^3} y_i^2 + \dots,$$

we obtain the expansion

$$\text{qdet} T(z) = 1 - \frac{\eta}{z} N - \frac{\eta}{z^2} \left(\sum_i y_i - \sum_{i < j} \eta \right) - \frac{\eta}{z^3} \left(\sum_i y_i^2 - \sum_{i < j} y_i \eta - \sum_{j < i} \eta y_j + \sum_{i < j < k} \eta^2 \right) + \dots,$$

which reduces to the desired expression. □

Remark. It is clear from the proof that higher Hamiltonians of the trigonometric Calogero-Moser model can be obtained from higher order expansions of the quantum determinant.

2.4.2 The trigonometric Gaudin model

In order to define the trigonometric Gaudin model, let us follow [MR19] by introducing the trigonometric r -matrix

$$r(t) = \frac{t+1}{t-1}P + Q, \quad Q = \sum_{ab} \text{sgn}(b-a)e_{ab} \otimes e_{ba}$$

and considering the generating function

$$G(t) = \sum_i r_{0i}(t/X_i) = \sum_i \left(\frac{t+X_i}{t-X_i} P_{0i} + Q_{0i} \right),$$

from which we obtain the commuting *Gaudin Hamiltonians*:

$$G_i := \text{Res}_{t=X_i} \frac{\text{tr}_0 G(t)^2}{2X_i} = \sum_{i \neq j} r_{ij}(X_i/X_j) = \sum_{i \neq j} \left(\frac{X_i + X_j}{X_i - X_j} P_{ij} + Q_{ij} \right).$$

Theorem 2.4.5. *The Hamiltonian $\delta^{-1}C_1\delta \in \delta^{-1}S\ddot{H}_N\delta$ acts on $LD_{\ell,N}(\mathbb{C}[X_1^{\pm 1}, \dots, X_N^{\pm 1}])$ in the same way as $-N\eta - \frac{\eta}{2} \sum_i G_i$ when $\hbar = 0$.*

Proof. First note that:

$$\begin{aligned} \delta^{-1}y_i\delta &= y_i + \eta \sum_{i \neq j} \theta_{ij} \\ &= -i\hbar X_i \partial_i - i\eta + \eta \sum_{j < i} \theta_{ji}(1 + (i \ j)) - \eta \sum_{j > i} \theta_{ij}(1 + (i \ j)) + \eta \sum_{i \neq j} \theta_{ij} \\ &= -i\hbar X_i \partial_i - \eta + \eta \sum_{j < i} \theta_{ji}(i \ j) - \eta \sum_{j > i} \theta_{ij}(i \ j) \\ &= -i\hbar X_i \partial_i - \eta + \eta \sum_{j < i} \frac{\theta_{ji} + 1 - \theta_{ij}}{2}(i \ j) - \eta \sum_{j > i} \frac{\theta_{ij} + 1 - \theta_{ji}}{2}(i \ j) \\ &= -i\hbar X_i \partial_i - \eta - \eta \sum_{i \neq j} \frac{\theta_{ij} - \theta_{ji}}{2}(i \ j) - \eta \sum_j \text{sgn}(j-i)(i \ j) \end{aligned}$$

Summing over i cancels the last term, giving

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_i \delta^{-1}y_i\delta &= -i\hbar \sum_i X_i \partial_i - N\eta - \frac{\eta}{2} \sum_{i \neq j} \frac{X_i + X_j}{X_i - X_j} P_{ij} \\ &\xrightarrow{\hbar \rightarrow 0} -N\eta - \frac{\eta}{2} \sum_{i \neq j} \frac{X_i + X_j}{X_i - X_j} P_{ij} = -N\eta - \frac{\eta}{2} \sum_i G_i. \end{aligned}$$

where in the last step we have used that $Q_{ij} + Q_{ji} = 0$. □

Unfortunately, the higher Hamiltonians of the trigonometric Calogero-Moser model significantly grow in complexity, often positioning statements about them in the conjectural realm. Here, we see a reflection of this phenomenon, since it becomes very hard to see how the Q -operator enters into higher Hamiltonians. In contrast, it is immediate that the Q -operators

cancel for the lowest Hamiltonian $\delta^{-1}C_1\delta$. Nonetheless, the more general findings of quantum-classical duality between the trigonometric Calogero-Moser model and the trigonometric Gaudin model in section 4 of [ZZ17] lead us to conjecture that the higher Hamiltonians $\delta^{-1}C_k\delta$ yield a generating set of symmetric polynomials in G_1, \dots, G_N modulo polynomials in the occupation number operators (2.7).

Chapter 3

Geometry

3.1 Quantum-classical duality in terms of functorial quantum field theory

The aim of this section is to reformulate Yangian Schur-Weyl duality in terms of a functorial quantum field theory. The mathematical structures used so far have been heavily representation theoretical. Nonetheless, we have seen some hints that there is an underlying geometry at play: We have made use of braids on cylinders as well as complex coordinates that may be reinterpreted geometrically as punctures on a Riemann surface. Together, they give two topological and two holomorphic dimensions, and both may be formulated in terms of cobordisms.

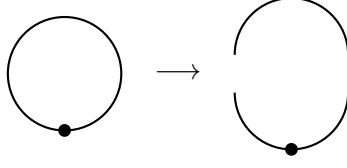
3.1.1 From diagrams to field theory

Since we are working in four total dimensions, the diagrams on cylinders suggest the following scheme for our functorial quantum field theory:

space	dimensionality	valued in
$C \times S_*^1 \times [0, 1]$	4-dimensional	vectors
$C \times S_*^1$	3-dimensional	modules
$D^\times \times S_*^1 \times [0, 1]$	3-dimensional	modules
$D^\times \times S_*^1$	2-dimensional	algebras/categories
$D^\times \times *$	1-dimensional	2-algebras/2-categories

Here C is a complex curve punctured by ingoing and outgoing points, D^\times denotes the formal punctured disc and S_*^1 denotes a circle marked with a basepoint. The module assigned to $D^\times \times S_*^1 \times [0, 1]$ will be a bimodule over the algebra assigned to $D^\times \times S_*^1$, which in turn can be computed in terms of the 2-category assigned to $D^\times \times *$. Since the diagrams on cylinders label $D^\times \times *$ with a representation of the Yangian, our functorial quantum field theory should assign the delooping $\mathcal{BY}(\mathfrak{gl}_\ell)\mathbf{Mod}$ of the monoidal category of modules over the Yangian to $D^\times \times *$.

From this, let us compute what should be assigned to $D^\times \times S_*^1$ by cutting S_*^1 into a line marked with the basepoint on the interior and an unmarked line as follows:



If we insert a $Y(\mathfrak{gl}_\ell)$ -module V at the basepoint, the marked line gives the 2-functor that sends \mathbf{Vect} to the category $Y(\mathfrak{gl}_\ell)\mathbf{Mod}^{\text{op}} \boxtimes Y(\mathfrak{gl}_\ell)\mathbf{Mod}$ and \mathbb{C} to $V^\vee \boxtimes V$, while the unmarked line is nothing but the Hom 2-functor

$$\mathcal{BY}(\mathfrak{gl}_\ell)\mathbf{Mod}^{\text{op}} \boxtimes \mathcal{BY}(\mathfrak{gl}_\ell)\mathbf{Mod} \rightarrow \mathcal{R}ex,$$

which evaluates to $Y(\mathfrak{gl}_\ell)\mathbf{Mod}$ on the unique object $*$ of $\mathcal{BY}(\mathfrak{gl}_\ell)\mathbf{Mod}$ and sends any two $Y(\mathfrak{gl}_\ell)$ -modules V, V' to the functor

$$\text{Hom}_{\mathcal{BY}(\mathfrak{gl}_\ell)\mathbf{Mod}}(V, V') : \text{Hom}_{\mathcal{BY}(\mathfrak{gl}_\ell)\mathbf{Mod}}(*, *) \rightarrow \text{Hom}_{\mathcal{BY}(\mathfrak{gl}_\ell)\mathbf{Mod}}(*, *), \quad U \mapsto V' \otimes U \otimes V$$

which represents the $Y(\mathfrak{gl}_\ell)$ -module $V' \otimes V$. We conclude that the (co)algebra corresponding to $D^\times \times S_*^1$ with V inserted at the basepoint is the coalgebra $V \otimes V^\vee$. To get rid of the dependence on V , we should take the coend

$$\int^{V \in Y(\mathfrak{gl}_\ell)\mathbf{Mod}} V \otimes V^\vee.$$

This gives a heuristic argument for assigning the coend $\int^{V \in Y(\mathfrak{gl}_\ell)\mathbf{Mod}} V \otimes V^\vee$ to $D^\times \times S_*^1$. However, for technical reasons, it will be necessary to work inside the category \mathbf{cfVect} (see definition 1.2.19) and replace the coend by the *universal coacting object*:

Definition 3.1.1. Let \mathbf{C} be a monoidal category. A *coacting coalgebra* for \mathbf{C} is a coalgebra L' with coactions $V \rightarrow L' \otimes V$ for all $V \in \mathbf{C}$ such that

$$\begin{array}{ccc} V & \longrightarrow & L' \otimes V \\ \downarrow f & & \downarrow f \\ W & \longrightarrow & L' \otimes W \end{array}$$

commutes for all morphisms $f : V \rightarrow W$. A *universal coacting coalgebra* L has unique maps $\psi : L \rightarrow L'$ to all other coacting coalgebras that commute with the coactions. It is unique up to unique isomorphism.

This extends the definition of the coend $\int^{V \in \mathbf{C}} V \otimes V^\vee$ to monoidal categories \mathbf{C} that are not necessarily rigid. We now make the following observation:

Proposition 3.1.2. *Let V be a $Y(\mathfrak{gl}_\ell)$ -module and equip $Y^\vee(\mathfrak{gl}_\ell)$ with the coadjoint action. Then V is a $Y^\vee(\mathfrak{gl}_\ell)$ -comodule internal to $Y(\mathfrak{gl}_\ell)\text{Mod}$ via*

$$V \rightarrow Y^\vee(\mathfrak{gl}_\ell) \otimes V, \quad v \mapsto \mathcal{R}(1 \otimes v).$$

Proof. If we let ρ denote the action of V , then the coaction is defined via the composition

$$\delta := (\text{id} \otimes \rho) \circ (\mathcal{R} \otimes \text{id}) : V \rightarrow Y^\vee(\mathfrak{gl}_\ell) \otimes Y(\mathfrak{gl}_\ell) \otimes V \rightarrow Y^\vee(\mathfrak{gl}_\ell) \otimes V,$$

where we have equipped $Y(\mathfrak{gl}_\ell)$ with the adjoint action, making ρ into a $Y(\mathfrak{gl}_\ell)$ -linear map. The map δ satisfies the properties of a coaction due to $(\Delta \otimes \text{id}) = \mathcal{R}_{13}\mathcal{R}_{23}$ and $(\epsilon \otimes \text{id})(\mathcal{R}) = 1$, which was proven in [Naz19]. It remains to show that

$$\mathbb{C} \rightarrow Y^\vee(\mathfrak{gl}_\ell) \otimes Y(\mathfrak{gl}_\ell), \quad 1 \mapsto \mathcal{R}$$

is $Y(\mathfrak{gl}_\ell)$ -linear, *i.e.* that $c \cdot \mathcal{R} = \epsilon(c)\mathcal{R}$. To this end, note that the coadjoint action ad_c^* is uniquely defined by

$$\langle a, \text{ad}_c^* b \rangle = \langle \text{ad}_{S(c)} a, b \rangle,$$

implying

$$\langle \text{ad}_{c(2)} X_i, \text{ad}_{c(1)}^* X_j^\vee \rangle = \langle \text{ad}_{S(c(1))} \text{ad}_{c(2)} X_i, X_j^\vee \rangle = \epsilon(c) \langle X_i, X_j^\vee \rangle = \epsilon(c) \delta_{ij}.$$

This shows that the endomorphism

$$(\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle \otimes \text{id}) \circ (\text{id} \otimes c \cdot \mathcal{R}) : Y(\mathfrak{gl}_\ell) \rightarrow Y(\mathfrak{gl}_\ell) \otimes Y^\vee(\mathfrak{gl}_\ell) \otimes Y(\mathfrak{gl}_\ell) \rightarrow Y(\mathfrak{gl}_\ell)$$

coincides with $\epsilon(c)\text{id}$. We conclude $c \cdot \mathcal{R} = \epsilon(c)\mathcal{R}$. \square

Proposition 3.1.3. *The dual Yangian $Y^\vee(\mathfrak{gl}_\ell)$ is the universal coacting coalgebra of $Y(\mathfrak{gl}_\ell)\text{Mod}$.*

Proof. The coactions of the dual Yangian guarantee the existence of a unique morphism $\psi : L \rightarrow Y^\vee(\mathfrak{gl}_\ell)$ that commutes with the coactions $Y(\mathfrak{gl}_\ell) \rightarrow Y^\vee(\mathfrak{gl}_\ell) \otimes Y(\mathfrak{gl}_\ell)$ and $Y(\mathfrak{gl}_\ell) \rightarrow L \otimes Y(\mathfrak{gl}_\ell)$. The image of 1 under the first map is nothing but the canonical element \mathcal{R} . Call the image of 1 under the second map \mathcal{R}_L . Then $(\psi \otimes \text{id})(\mathcal{R}_L) = \mathcal{R}$, so that \mathcal{R}_L witnesses that

$$Y(\mathfrak{gl}_\ell) \otimes L \rightarrow Y(\mathfrak{gl}_\ell) \otimes Y^\vee(\mathfrak{gl}_\ell) \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$$

is a non-degenerate pairing, implying that ψ is an isomorphism. \square

3.1.2 A first stab at a category of cobordisms

We now set out to give a rigorous definition of our functorial quantum field theory. Let us start with a naive definition for our cobordism category: Let Cob' denote the double category (see appendix C for a review on double categories) whose

- (i) objects $[N]$ are disjoint unions of N copies of $D^\times \times S_*^1$,

- (ii) tight morphisms $[N] \longrightarrow [N]$ are cylinder cobordisms equipped with isotopy classes of paths connecting the basepoints of the boundary circles. This specifies an element in \dot{S}_N by permutation of the boundary circles and paths winding around the cylinders,
- (iii) loose morphisms $[N] \dashrightarrow [1]$ are complex cobordisms \mathbb{P}^1 with distinct ingoing points y_1, \dots, y_N and outgoing point ∞ ,
- (iv) squares of the form

$$\begin{array}{ccc} [N] & \xrightarrow{(y_1, \dots, y_N)} & [1] \\ \downarrow \sigma & & \downarrow \text{id} \\ [N] & \xrightarrow{(y_{\sigma(1)}, \dots, y_{\sigma(N)})} & [1] \end{array}$$

are homotopy classes of paths in the moduli space of pointed complex curves.

We note that this is already suspect because composition of loose morphisms is not well-defined unless we allow nodal curves as complex cobordisms. Nonetheless, we would want to define a double functor $\text{Cob}' \rightarrow \text{Sq}(\mathcal{R}ex)$ that sends

- (i) the object $[1]$ to $Y(\mathfrak{gl}_\ell)\text{Mod}$,
- (ii) the cobordism specifying a simple permutation s_i to the permutation map $Y(\mathfrak{gl}_\ell)\text{Mod}^{\boxtimes 2} \rightarrow Y(\mathfrak{gl}_\ell)\text{Mod}^{\boxtimes 2}$,
- (iii) the cobordism specifying a winding around the i th cylinder to the identity,
- (iv) a loose morphism (y_1, \dots, y_N) to the shifted tensor product functor

$$Y(\mathfrak{gl}_\ell)\text{Mod}^{\boxtimes N} \rightarrow Y(\mathfrak{gl}_\ell)\text{Mod}, \quad V_1 \boxtimes \dots \boxtimes V_N \mapsto V_1(y_1) \otimes \dots \otimes V_N(y_N),$$

- (v) a square specifying a simple permutation s_i to the corresponding braiding,
- (vi) a square specifying a path winding once around the i th cylinder to X_i .

It is here that we also run into problems: The braiding of the Yangian induced by the R -matrices and similarly X_i is neither invertible nor defined for all values of the spectral parameter. We have already seen that the R -matrix has poles and at some points becomes a projector. Furthermore, the braiding degenerates when we try to braid V_y^+ with its dual: It can be easily checked that dualizing the braiding

$$P\check{R}(y_1 - y_2) : V_{y_1}^+ \otimes V_{y_2}^+ \rightarrow V_{y_2}^+ \otimes V_{y_1}^+$$

yields

$$\frac{y_2 - y_1 - \ell\eta}{y_2 - y_1 - (\ell+1)\eta} P - \frac{\eta}{y_2 - y_1 - (\ell+1)\eta} P^t : V_{y_1}^+ \otimes V_{y_2}^- \rightarrow V_{y_2}^- \otimes V_{y_1}^+,$$

where $P^t = \sum_{ij} e_{ij} \otimes e_{ij}$. In particular, we see that braiding V_y^+ with its left dual $V_{y+\ell\eta}^-$ reduces to P^t , which projects onto the one-dimensional subspace spanned by $\sum_i e_i \otimes e_i$, and is hence not invertible.

3.1.3 Patching up the naive definition

We have seen that the naive description above is not workable, essentially because the category of representations of the Yangian is not braided in the standard sense. Instead, it is a result of [Soi97] that the category of finite-dimensional representations of the Yangian is a *meromorphic braided category*. This means that the operadic data defining the tensor product and the braiding actually form sheaves on a complex analytic space, which might degenerate on subspaces of proper codimension. We will roughly follow this idea and replace loose morphisms $[N] \dashrightarrow [1]$ by an analogue of \mathcal{D} -modules on the quotient stack

$$M_{0,1+N} = \{(y_1, \dots, y_N) \in \mathbb{C}^N \mid y_i \neq y_j\} / S_N \times \mathbb{C}^\times \ltimes \mathbb{C}$$

of $(1+N)$ -pointed complex smooth projective curves of genus zero. To get a well-defined braiding, it will also be important to impose the condition $y_i - y_j \neq \eta$, which breaks the \mathbb{C}^\times -symmetry and gives the quotient stack

$$Y_N := \{(y_1, \dots, y_N) \in \mathbb{C}^N \mid y_i - y_j \neq 0, \eta\} / S_N \times \mathbb{C}.$$

Writing $\dot{H}_N := \dot{H}_N[(y_i - y_j)^{-1}, (y_i - y_j - \eta)^{-1}]$, we then arrive at the following proposition:

Proposition 3.1.4. *The category of quasi-coherent sheaves on Y_N is equivalent to the category of \mathbb{C} -equivariant \dot{H}_N -modules.*

Proof. Quasi-coherent sheaves on Y_N are equivalently $S_N \times \mathbb{C}$ -equivariant modules U over

$$A := \mathbb{C}[y_1, \dots, y_N][(y_i - y_j)^{-1}, (y_i - y_j - \eta)^{-1}].$$

Being \mathbb{C} -equivariant means that U comes equipped with a coaction $U \rightarrow U[y]$ compatible with the algebra map $A \rightarrow A[y], y_i \mapsto y_i + y$. Being S_N -equivariant means that U comes equipped with an action of S_N satisfying

$$\sigma(fu) = (\sigma f)(\sigma u), \quad \forall \sigma \in S_N, f \in A, u \in U,$$

This means that we can think of U as a module over the semidirect product algebra $S_N \ltimes A$. Note that the operators

$$T_i = \frac{y_i - y_{i+1} - \eta}{y_i - y_{i+1}} s_i + \frac{\eta}{y_i - y_{i+1}} \in S_N \ltimes A$$

together with y_1, \dots, y_N generate a subalgebra of $S_N \ltimes A$ isomorphic to \dot{H}_N . On the other hand, we have $s_i = \frac{y_i - y_{i+1}}{y_i - y_{i+1} - \eta} T_i - \frac{\eta}{y_i - y_{i+1} - \eta}$, so that localizing at $y_i - y_{i+1}$ and $y_i - y_{i+1} - \eta$ makes both algebras isomorphic:

$$S_N \ltimes A \cong \dot{H}_N[(y_i - y_j)^{-1}, (y_i - y_j - \eta)^{-1}] = \dot{H}_N.$$

□

Being a module over $\ddot{H}_N := \ddot{H}_N[(y_i - y_j)^{-1}, (y_i - y_j - \eta)^{-1}]$ extends the \dot{H}_N -module structure by the difference operators X_1, \dots, X_N . Hence, we may think of \ddot{H}_N -modules as difference modules on Y_N . Interpreting these as distributions over complex cobordisms (with fixed topology), we can view the twist-extended Drinfeld functor as a well-defined replacement for the shifted tensor product functor.

Remark. We may add boundary points to Y_N via the fusion procedure. The ingoing points on cobordisms can then be labeled by general Young diagrams.

3.1.4 Full construction of the functorial quantum field theory

Let us write $\Gamma : N \rightarrow M$ whenever Γ is a composition of N by M numbers N_1, \dots, N_M . We can compose $\Gamma : N \rightarrow M$ with another composition $\Gamma' : M \rightarrow L$ and obtain a composition $\Gamma' \circ \Gamma : N \rightarrow L$. Given $\Gamma'' : N' \rightarrow M'$, we may also build a composition $\Gamma \otimes \Gamma'' : N + N' \rightarrow M + M'$. Define

$$\ddot{H}_\Gamma := \ddot{H}_{N_1} \otimes \cdots \otimes \ddot{H}_{N_M}, \quad \dot{S}_\Gamma := \dot{S}_{N_1} \times \cdots \times \dot{S}_{N_M}.$$

There are algebra maps $\ddot{H}_{\Gamma' \circ \Gamma} \rightarrow \ddot{H}_\Gamma$ defined via the canonical inclusions, as well as $\ddot{H}_\Gamma \rightarrow \ddot{H}_\Gamma \otimes \ddot{H}_{\Gamma'}$ defined via the coactions $\ddot{H}_{N_i} \rightarrow \ddot{H}_{N_i}[y_i]$. Together, they give an algebra map

$$\alpha_{\Gamma, \Gamma'} : \ddot{H}_{\Gamma' \circ \Gamma} \rightarrow \ddot{H}_\Gamma \otimes \ddot{H}_{\Gamma'}.$$

Finally, we also have isomorphisms $\ddot{H}_{\Gamma \otimes \Gamma''} \cong \ddot{H}_\Gamma \otimes \ddot{H}_{\Gamma''}$. With this in hand, we can give a serious definition for our category of cobordisms:

Definition 3.1.5. Let \mathbb{Cob} denote the monoidal (pseudo) double category defined by:

- (i) \mathbb{Cob}_0 is the category whose objects are natural numbers $[N]$ with $\text{Hom}([N], [N]) := \dot{S}_N$ and zero otherwise. The monoidal structure is given by $[N] \otimes [M] := [N + M]$ and the canonical inclusions $\dot{S}_N \times \dot{S}_M \rightarrow \dot{S}_{N+M}$. This category represents topological cobordisms as discussed in subsection 3.1.2.
- (ii) \mathbb{Cob}_1 is the category whose objects are pairs (Γ, U) , where $\Gamma : N \rightarrow M$ and U is a module over \ddot{H}_Γ and whose morphisms $(\Gamma, U) \rightarrow (\Gamma', U')$ are pairs (σ, α) , where $\sigma \in \dot{S}_\Gamma$ and α is a σ -equivariant map of \ddot{H}_Γ -modules. Source and target are given by $[N]$ and $[M]$. The monoidal structure is given by $(\Gamma_1, U_2) \otimes (\Gamma_2, U_2) := (\Gamma_1 \otimes \Gamma_2, U_1 \otimes U_2)$. This category represents distributions over holomorphic cobordisms as discussed in subsection 3.1.3.
- (iii) The weak composition of $(\Gamma, U) : [N] \rightarrow [M]$ with $(\Gamma', U') : [M] \rightarrow [L]$ is defined to be $(\Gamma' \circ \Gamma, \alpha_{\Gamma, \Gamma'}^* U \otimes U')$.

Lemma 3.1.6. *Weak composition in \mathbb{Cob} is weakly associative.*

Proof. Consider a composable triple

$$[N] \xrightarrow{(\Gamma, U)} [N'] \xrightarrow{(\Gamma', U')} [N''] \xrightarrow{(\Gamma'', U'')} [N''']$$

It is clear that $(\Gamma'' \circ \Gamma') \circ \Gamma = \Gamma'' \circ (\Gamma' \circ \Gamma)$. We notice that the algebra map

$$(\alpha_{\Gamma', \Gamma''} \otimes \text{id}) \circ \alpha_{\Gamma', \Gamma'' \circ \Gamma'} : \underline{\ddot{H}}_{\Gamma'' \circ \Gamma' \circ \Gamma} \rightarrow \underline{\ddot{H}}_{\Gamma'' \circ \Gamma'} \otimes \underline{\ddot{H}}_{\Gamma} \rightarrow \underline{\ddot{H}}_{\Gamma''} \otimes \underline{\ddot{H}}_{\Gamma'} \otimes \underline{\ddot{H}}_{\Gamma}$$

coincides with the algebra map

$$(\text{id} \otimes \alpha_{\Gamma, \Gamma'}) \circ \alpha_{\Gamma' \circ \Gamma, \Gamma''} : \underline{\ddot{H}}_{\Gamma'' \circ \Gamma' \circ \Gamma} \rightarrow \underline{\ddot{H}}_{\Gamma''} \otimes \underline{\ddot{H}}_{\Gamma' \circ \Gamma} \rightarrow \underline{\ddot{H}}_{\Gamma''} \otimes \underline{\ddot{H}}_{\Gamma'} \otimes \underline{\ddot{H}}_{\Gamma},$$

reducing weak associativity to the weak associativity of the usual tensor product. \square

For concreteness, let us work in the Morita picture for the target category of our functorial quantum field theory:

Definition 3.1.7. Let $Y(\mathfrak{gl}_\ell)\mathbb{A}\text{lg}$ denote the monoidal (pseudo) double category whose

- (i) objects are algebras internal to $Y(\mathfrak{gl}_\ell)\text{Mod}$,
- (ii) tight morphisms are algebra maps,
- (iii) loose morphisms are bimodules internal to $Y(\mathfrak{gl}_\ell)\text{Mod}$,
- (iv) squares are equivariant bimodule maps,
- (v) tight composition is composition of algebra maps,
- (vi) loose composition is tensor product of bimodules,
- (vii) composition of squares is composition of equivariant bimodule maps,
- (viii) the tensor product is given by the tensor product in $Y(\mathfrak{gl}_\ell)\text{Mod}$.

Let $E[y^{\pm 1}]$ denote the algebra $\underline{\text{End}}(V_0^+)[y^{\pm 1}]$ internal to $Y(\mathfrak{gl}_\ell)\text{Mod}$. There is a quantum moment map $\mu : Y^\vee(\mathfrak{gl}_\ell) \rightarrow E[y^{\pm 1}], T^\vee(z) \mapsto R(y - z)$.

Theorem 3.1.8. *There is a monoidal double functor $Z : \mathbb{C}\text{ob} \rightarrow Y(\mathfrak{gl}_\ell)\mathbb{A}\text{lg}$ that sends*

- (i) $[N]$ to $Y^\vee(\mathfrak{gl}_\ell)^{\otimes N}$,
- (ii) tight morphisms to permutations of tensorands,
- (iii) loose morphisms $U : [N] \rightarrow [1]$ to $(E[y_1] \otimes \cdots \otimes E[y_N]) \otimes_{\underline{H}_N} U$,
- (iv) squares to the corresponding equivariant map of modules.

Remark. The $Y^\vee(\mathfrak{gl}_\ell)^{\otimes N}$ - $Y^\vee(\mathfrak{gl}_\ell)$ -bimodule $(E[y_1] \otimes \cdots \otimes E[y_N]) \otimes_{\underline{H}_N} U$ represents the shifted tensor functor.

3.2 Quantum-classical duality in terms of four-dimensional Chern-Simons theory

It is natural to ask which physical theory gives rise to the functorial quantum field theory Z we have defined. Considering that we are looking at topological surfaces as tight morphisms

and (sheaves on moduli spaces of) complex curves as loose morphisms, we are already given a hint that the theory should include two holomorphic and two topological dimensions. The functorial field theory should assign holonomies of some flat connection on $S^1 \times [0, 1]$ to braids. Furthermore, the Yangian provides the 2-Hilbert space of the formal punctured disc. These observations all point to four-dimensional Chern-Simons theory.

Four-dimensional Chern-Simons theory was first described in [Cos13], a recent review can be found in [Lac22]. It is easily constructed by promoting one coordinate of the usual three-dimensional Chern Simons theory to a complex coordinate z on a complex curve C and introducing an additional meromorphic 1-form ω on C to be able to integrate the Chern-Simons 3-form over a four-dimensional manifold $C \times \Sigma$ with Σ an oriented surface, yielding the following action:

$$S_\omega(A) = \frac{i}{4\pi} \int_{C \times \Sigma} \omega \wedge \text{CS}(A), \quad \text{CS}(A) := \langle A, dA + \frac{2}{3} A \wedge A \rangle.$$

The field A is a \mathfrak{gl}_ℓ -valued 1-form on $C \times \Sigma$ that has no components in the z, \bar{z} direction, meaning we can write it as $A = A_t dt + A_x dx$ up to some gauge transformation. The equations of motion let us interpret A as a Lax connection on Σ with spectral parameter z , writing $A(z) \in \Omega^1(\Sigma, \mathfrak{gl}_\ell)$. Thus, four-dimensional Chern-Simons theory reduces to a two-dimensional integrable field theory on Σ with spectral parameter in C .

The functorial quantum field theory Z we constructed above exactly represents four-dimensional Chern-Simons theory for $C = \mathbb{P}^1$ with $\omega = dz$ and $\Sigma = S^1 \times [0, 1]$. The tight morphisms are nothing but Wilson lines along $S^1 \times [0, 1]$ and the loose morphisms specify their (constant) coordinate in $\mathbb{P}^1 \setminus \{\infty\}$ as well as the representation labeling them. The twist matrix parametrizes the background principal GL_ℓ -bundle. It is a famous result of [Cos13] that Wilson lines in four-dimensional Chern-Simons theory reproduce the Heisenberg model.

We can now perform two dimensional reductions: Firstly, we may shrink $S^1 \times [0, 1]$ to a point, so that our Wilson lines become point particles on $\mathbb{P}^1 \setminus \{\infty\}$ that carry internal spin degrees of freedom, following the rational Ruijsenaars-Schneider Hamiltonian. Secondly, we may shrink \mathbb{P}^1 to a point, which gives the homogeneous limit $y_1, \dots, y_N \rightarrow 0$, in which we obtain the homogeneous Heisenberg spin chain with its local Hamiltonian. This paints a nicely intuitive picture of quantum-classical duality.

Chapter 4

Conclusion

Starting from the appearance of the Lax matrix of the classical rational Ruijsenaars-Schneider model in the fusion relations of the Heisenberg model, we have teased out a beautifully symmetric structure: The four arms emerging from the representation theory of the loop Yangian are all related by clear dualities as summarized in figure 1. (tba)

We hope that this thesis has shed some light on the rich and beautiful interplay between integrable models, representation theory, and geometry, and that it will inspire further research in this direction.

Future work

One would expect as before that the action of the Laurent generators X_1, \dots, X_N in 4d Chern-Simons theory is placed on a more equal footing with that of the polynomial generators y_1, \dots, y_N once we incorporate the full loop Yangian $LY(\mathfrak{gl}_\ell)$. However, due its complex nature, more work needs to be done in order to establish some necessary properties of $LY(\mathfrak{gl}_\ell)$, such as the construction of a dual loop Yangian, so we leave this for future work. We expect that the corresponding quantum field theory is given by five-dimensional Chern-Simons theory on $\mathbb{P}^1 \times P^1 \times [0, 1]$ with the 1-forms dz and dw/w on the first and second copy of \mathbb{P}^1 , respectively.

Another fruitful direction might be the quantization of the elliptic Ruijsenaars-Schneider model with spin. We have seen how the rational Ruijsenaars-Schneider model with spin arises from the dynamics of Wilson lines in four-dimensional Chern-Simons theory on $\mathbb{P}^1 \times S^1 \times [0, 1]$. One might hope that the functorial quantum field theory we constructed has an extension to complex curves of higher genus. In the case of an elliptic curve $E = \mathbb{C}/\Lambda$, we can look at $E \times S^1 \times [0, 1]$ and hope for a description of Wilson lines in terms of the elliptic Ruijsenaars-Schneider model with spin.

To this end, we will have to determine which module the functorial quantum field theory assigns to $E \times S^1$, or more precisely, we have to determine the Drinfeld-type functor defined on

quasi-coherent sheaves on

$$Y_N^{\text{ell}} := \{(y_1, \dots, y_N, \tau) \in \mathbb{C}^N \times \mathbb{H} \mid y_i, y_i - y_j, y_i - y_j - \eta \notin \mathbb{Z} \oplus \mathbb{Z}\tau\} / S_N \times SL_2(\mathbb{Z}) \ltimes (\mathbb{Z}^2)^N.$$

In accordance with [CWY18b], we have to replace the Yangian with Belavin's elliptic quantum group $E(\mathfrak{gl}_\ell)$, so our Drinfeld functor will be valued in modules over $E(\mathfrak{gl}_\ell)$. Thus, we will have to construct a bimodule

$$E(\mathfrak{gl}_\ell) \curvearrowright (\mathbb{C}^\ell)^{\otimes N} \otimes \mathcal{O}(Y_N^{\text{ell}}) \curvearrowleft \dot{H}_N^{\text{ell}},$$

where $\mathcal{O}(Y_N^{\text{ell}})$ denotes holomorphic functions on Y_N^{ell} and \dot{H}_N^{ell} is the algebra whose modules model quasi-coherent sheaves on Y_N^{ell} . The quantum elliptic Ruijsenaars-Schneider model with spin will be given by

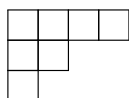
$$\left((\mathbb{C}^\ell)^{\otimes N} \otimes \mathcal{O}(Y_N^{\text{ell}}) \right) \otimes_{\dot{H}_N^{\text{ell}}} \mathcal{O}(Y_N^{\text{ell}})$$

with Hamiltonians given by the usual elliptic difference operators acting on this representation.

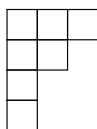
Appendix A

Young diagrams

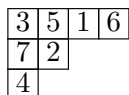
Definition A.1. (i) A *partition* of a natural number N is a sequence $\lambda = [\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_\ell]$ of weakly decreasing natural numbers such that $\sum_i \lambda_i = N$. We adopt exponent notation in which $[2, 1^k]$ means that 1 appears k times, so $[2, 1^k]$ would be a partition of $k + 2$. Partitions can be visualized using *Young diagrams*, by drawing rows of boxes with decreasing row lengths, each corresponding to λ_i . For example, the partition $[4, 2, 1]$ of 7 would be drawn as:



Every partition λ has a *dual partition* λ' given by transposing the Young diagram. In the above case, this would be $[3, 2, 1^2]$, which we draw here:



(ii) Let λ be a partition of N . A *Young tableau* t of shape λ is a choice of bijectively labeling the boxes of the corresponding Young diagram by the numbers $1, \dots, N$. Clearly, there are $N!$ such tableaux. As an example, we take the following Young tableau of shape $[4, 2, 1]$:



Given a number $k \in \{1, \dots, N\}$, we define its *content* to be $c_k(t) := i - j$, where i and j , respectively, are the row and column in which k appears on the Young tableau. Then $(c_1(t), \dots, c_N(t))$ is called the *content vector* of t_λ . The tableau above has content vector $(-2, 0, 0, 2, -1, -3, 1)$. A Young tableau is *standard*, if the numbers are increasing from left to right and from top to bottom. The tableau above is *not* standard. Given a Young diagram, there are two easily definable standard Young tableaux: The *row tableau* and the *column tableau*, obtained by filling in the boxes in ascending order row-by-row or column-by-column.

Appendix B

Dunkl operators

Lemma B.1 (See proposition 1.2.8). *Let $\theta_{ij} := X_i/(X_i - X_j)$. The mapping*

$$s_i \mapsto s_i, \quad X_i \mapsto X_i, \quad y_i \mapsto -i\hbar X_i \partial_i - i\eta + \eta \sum_{j < i} \theta_{ji}(1 - (i \ j)) - \eta \sum_{j > i} \theta_{ij}(1 - (i \ j))$$

gives rise to a representation of \ddot{H}_N on $\mathbb{C}[X_1^{\pm 1}, \dots, X_N^{\pm 1}]$.

Proof. It is clear that the necessary relations hold for the s_i and X_i . It is also clear that $s_i y_j = y_j s_i$ for $|i - j| > 1$. Let $1 \leq i < N$ and check the other relations:

(i) $y_i y_j = y_j y_i$: tba

(ii) Note that $s_i \theta_{i+1,i} = \theta_{i,i+1} s_i$ and $\theta_{i,i+1} = 1 - \theta_{i+1,i}$, leading to

$$\begin{aligned} s_i y_i &= s_i \left(-i\hbar X_i \partial_i - i\eta + \eta \sum_{j < i} \theta_{ji}(1 - (i \ j)) \right. \\ &\quad \left. - \eta \theta_{i,i+1}(1 - (i \ i+1)) - \eta \sum_{j > i+1} \theta_{ij}(1 - (i \ j)) \right) \\ &= \left(-i\hbar X_{i+1} \partial_{i+1} - i\eta + \eta \sum_{j < i} \theta_{j,i+1}(1 - (i+1 \ j)) \right. \\ &\quad \left. - \eta \theta_{i+1,i}(1 - (i \ i+1)) - \eta \sum_{j > i+1} \theta_{i+1,j}(1 - (i+1 \ j)) \right) s_i \\ &= \left(-i\hbar X_{i+1} \partial_{i+1} - i\eta + \eta \sum_{j < i} \theta_{j,i+1}(1 - (i+1 \ j)) \right. \\ &\quad \left. - \eta(1 - \theta_{i,i+1})(1 - (i \ i+1)) - \eta \sum_{j > i+1} \theta_{i+1,j}(1 - (i+1 \ j)) \right) s_i \\ &= \left(-i\hbar X_{i+1} \partial_{i+1} - (i+1)\eta + \eta \sum_{j < i+1} \theta_{j,i+1}(1 - (i+1 \ j)) \right. \\ &\quad \left. + \eta s_i - \eta \sum_{j > i+1} \theta_{i+1,j}(1 - (i+1 \ j)) \right) s_i \\ &= y_{i+1} s_i + \eta. \end{aligned}$$

(iii) We see that

$$\begin{aligned}
& X_1 w \left(-i\hbar X_i \partial_i - i\eta + \eta \sum_{j < i} \theta_{ji} (1 - (i \ j)) - \eta \sum_{j > i} \theta_{ij} (1 - (i \ j)) \right) w^{-1} X_1^{-1} \\
&= X_1 \left(-i\hbar X_{i+1} \partial_{i+1} - i\eta + \eta \sum_{j=1}^{i-1} \theta_{j+1, i+1} (1 - (i+1 \ j+1)) \right. \\
&\quad \left. - \eta \sum_{j=i+1}^N \theta_{i+1, j+1} (1 - (i+1 \ j+1)) \right) X_1^{-1} \\
&= X_1 \left(-i\hbar X_{i+1} \partial_{i+1} - i\eta + \eta \sum_{j=2}^i \theta_{j, i+1} (1 - (i+1 \ j)) \right. \\
&\quad \left. - \eta \sum_{j=i+2}^N \theta_{i+1, j} (1 - (i+1 \ j)) - \eta \theta_{i+1, 1} (1 - (i+1 \ 1)) \right) X_1^{-1} \\
&= X_1 \left(-i\hbar X_{i+1} \partial_{i+1} - i\eta + \eta \sum_{j=2}^i \theta_{j, i+1} (1 - (i+1 \ j)) \right. \\
&\quad \left. - \eta \sum_{j=i+2}^N \theta_{i+1, j} (1 - (i+1 \ j)) - \eta (1 - \theta_{1, i+1}) (1 - (i+1 \ 1)) \right) X_1^{-1} \\
&= X_1 \left(-i\hbar X_{i+1} \partial_{i+1} - (i+1)\eta + \eta \sum_{j=2}^i \theta_{j, i+1} (1 - (i+1 \ j)) \right. \\
&\quad \left. - \eta \sum_{j=i+2}^N \theta_{i+1, j} (1 - (i+1 \ j)) + \eta \theta_{1, i+1} (1 - (i+1 \ 1)) + \eta (i+1 \ 1) \right) X_1^{-1}
\end{aligned}$$

but

$$\begin{aligned}
X_1 (\theta_{1, i+1} (i+1 \ 1) - (i+1 \ 1)) X_1^{-1} &= X_1 (\theta_{1, i+1} - 1) (i+1 \ i) X_1^{-1} \\
&= -X_1 X_{i+1}^{-1} \theta_{i+1, 1} (i+1 \ i) \\
&= \theta_{1, i+1} (i+1 \ i),
\end{aligned}$$

which finally yields $\pi y_i \pi^{-1} = y_{i+1}$. A similar calculation for $i = N$ yields $\pi y_N \pi^{-1} = y_1 + i\hbar$, remembering that $X_1(-i\hbar X_1 \partial_1) X_1^{-1} = -i\hbar X_1 \partial_1 + i\hbar$. \square

Lemma B.2 (See proposition 1.2.12). *On $\delta^{-1} \mathbb{C}[X_1^{\pm 1}, \dots, X_N^{\pm 1}]^{S_N}$, C_1 reduces to the canonically quantized total momentum of the trigonometric Calogero-Moser model, while C_2 reduces to the Hamiltonian:*

$$C_1 = -i\hbar \sum_i X_i \partial_i, \quad C_2 = -\frac{\hbar^2}{2} \sum_i (X_i \partial_i)^2 + \frac{\eta(\eta - i\hbar)}{2} \sum_{i \neq j} \theta_{ij} \theta_{ji}.$$

Proof. Observe

$$\delta^{-1}(-i\hbar X_i \partial_i) \delta = -i\hbar X_i \partial_i - \delta^{-1} X_i \sum_{j < i} \frac{2\eta\delta}{X_j - X_i} + \delta^{-1} X_i \sum_{j > i} \frac{2\eta\delta}{X_i - X_j} = -i\hbar X_i \partial_i + 2\eta \sum_{i \neq j} \theta_{ij}.$$

Noting that $(1 - (i\ j))$ acts as zero on symmetric polynomials and $2 \sum_{i \neq j} \theta_{ij} = \binom{N}{2}$, we derive the identity

$$C_1 = \sum_i \delta^{-1} y_i \delta = -i\hbar \sum_i X_i \partial_i + 2\eta \sum_{i \neq j} \theta_{ij} - \eta \binom{N}{2} = -i\hbar \sum_i X_i \partial_i.$$

Notice

$$\begin{aligned} y_i^2 &= \left(-i\hbar X_i \partial_i - i\eta + \eta \sum_{j < i} \theta_{ji} (1 - (i\ j)) - \eta \sum_{j > i} \theta_{ij} (1 - (i\ j)) \right) \left(-i\hbar X_i \partial_i - i\eta \right) \\ &= -\hbar^2 (X_i \partial_i)^2 + i\hbar\eta 2i X_i \partial_i - i\hbar\eta \sum_{j < i} \theta_{ji} (X_i \partial_i - X_j \partial_j) + i\hbar\eta \sum_{j > i} \theta_{ij} (X_i \partial_i - X_j \partial_j) + i^2 \eta^2 \\ &= -\hbar^2 (X_i \partial_i)^2 + i\hbar\eta 2i X_i \partial_i - i\hbar\eta \sum_{j < i} (1 - \theta_{ij}) (X_i \partial_i - X_j \partial_j) + i\hbar\eta \sum_{j > i} \theta_{ij} (X_i \partial_i - X_j \partial_j) + i^2 \eta^2 \\ &= -\hbar^2 (X_i \partial_i)^2 + i\hbar\eta 2i X_i \partial_i - i\hbar\eta \sum_{j < i} (X_i \partial_i - X_j \partial_j) + i\hbar\eta \sum_{i \neq j} \theta_{ij} (X_i \partial_i - X_j \partial_j) + i^2 \eta^2 \\ &= -\hbar^2 (X_i \partial_i)^2 + i\hbar\eta (i+1) X_i \partial_i + i\hbar\eta \sum_{j < i} X_j \partial_j + i\hbar\eta \sum_{i \neq j} \theta_{ij} (X_i \partial_i - X_j \partial_j) + i^2 \eta^2, \end{aligned}$$

so

$$\sum_i y_i^2 = -\hbar^2 \sum_i (X_i \partial_i)^2 + i\hbar\eta \sum_{i \neq j} \theta_{ij} (X_i \partial_i - X_j \partial_j) - \eta^2 \frac{N(N+1)(2N+1)}{6}.$$

We can also use

$$\begin{aligned} y_i &\mapsto -i\hbar X_i \partial_i - \frac{\eta}{2} \sum_{i \neq j} \frac{X_i + X_j}{X_i - X_j} (1 - (i\ j)) - \frac{\eta}{2} \sum_j \text{sgn}(j - i) (i\ j) \\ &= -i\hbar X_i \partial_i - \frac{\eta}{2} (N - 2i + 1) - \eta \sum_{j < i} \theta_{ij} (1 - (i\ j)) + \eta \sum_{j > i} \theta_{ji} (1 - (i\ j)), \end{aligned}$$

so

$$\begin{aligned} y_i^2 &\mapsto \left(-i\hbar X_i \partial_i - \frac{\eta}{2} \sum_{i \neq j} (\theta_{ij} - \theta_{ji}) (1 - (i\ j)) - \frac{\eta}{2} \sum_j \text{sgn}(j - i) (i\ j) \right) \left(-i\hbar X_i \partial_i - \frac{\eta}{2} (N - 2i + 1) \right) \\ &= -\hbar^2 (X_i \partial_i)^2 + \frac{i\hbar\eta}{2} \sum_{i \neq j} (\theta_{ij} - \theta_{ji}) (X_i \partial_i - X_j \partial_j) + \frac{i\hbar\eta}{2} \sum_j \text{sgn}(j - i) X_j \partial_j \\ &\quad + \frac{i\hbar\eta}{2} (N - 2i + 1) X_i \partial_i + \frac{\eta^2}{4} (N - 2i + 1)^2 \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\sum_i y_i^2 \mapsto -\hbar^2 \Delta + \frac{i\hbar\eta}{2} \sum_{i \neq j} (\theta_{ij} - \theta_{ji}) (X_i \partial_i - X_j \partial_j) + \eta^2 \frac{N(N-1)^2}{12}.$$

Using $X_i \partial_i \theta_{ij} = \theta_{ij} X_i \partial_i + \theta_{ij} \theta_{ji}$, we derive

$$\begin{aligned} -\hbar^2 \delta^{-1} \Delta \delta &= \sum_i \delta^{-1} i\hbar X_i \partial_i \delta \delta^{-1} i\hbar X_i \partial_i \delta \\ &= \sum_i \left(i\hbar X_i \partial_i - 2\eta \sum_{i \neq j} \theta_{ij} \right) \left(i\hbar X_i \partial_i - 2\eta \sum_{i \neq j} \theta_{ij} \right) \\ &= -\hbar^2 \Delta - 4i\hbar\eta \sum_{i \neq j} \theta_{ij} X_i \partial_i - 2i\hbar\eta \sum_{i \neq j} \theta_{ij} \theta_{ji} + 4\eta^2 \sum_i \sum_{i \neq j} \sum_{i \neq k} \theta_{ij} \theta_{ik} \end{aligned}$$

Is the 2 wrong? Then we would have

$$-\hbar^2 \Delta - \frac{i\hbar\eta}{2} \sum_{i \neq j} (\theta_{ij} - \theta_{ji} + 1) X_i \partial_i - i\hbar\eta \sum_{i \neq j} \theta_{ij} \theta_{ji} + \eta^2 \sum_i \sum_{i \neq j} \sum_{i \neq k} \theta_{ij} \theta_{ik}$$

The last term gives

$$\sum_i \sum_{i \neq j} \sum_{i \neq k} \theta_{ij} (1 - \theta_{ki}) = (N-1) \sum_{i \neq j} \theta_{ij} - \sum_{i \neq j \neq k} \theta_{ij} \theta_{ki} - \sum_{i \neq j} \theta_{ij} \theta_{ji} = \frac{N(N-1)^2}{2} - ? - \sum_{i \neq j} \theta_{ij} \theta_{ji}.$$

□

Appendix C

Double categories

Let us follow [HS19]:

Definition C.1. A *(pseudo) double category* \mathbb{D} is a weak category internal to the bicategory \mathcal{Cat} of categories. This means that \mathbb{D} consists of a category of objects \mathbb{D}_0 and a category of morphisms \mathbb{D}_1 together with functors

$$I : \mathbb{D}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{D}_1, \quad S, T : \mathbb{D}_1 \rightarrow \mathbb{D}_0, \quad \diamond : \mathbb{D}_1 \times_{\mathbb{D}_0} \mathbb{D}_1 \rightarrow \mathbb{D}_1$$

and natural isomorphisms

$$\alpha : (L \diamond M) \diamond N \rightarrow L \diamond (M \diamond N), \quad \lambda : I(B) \diamond M \rightarrow M, \quad \rho : M \diamond I(A) \rightarrow M$$

such that

- (i) $SI = \text{Id}$ and $TI = \text{Id}$,
- (ii) $S(M \diamond N) = SN$ and $T(M \diamond N) = TM$,
- (iii) $S(\alpha), T(\alpha), S(\lambda), T(\lambda), S(\rho), T(\rho)$ are identities,
- (iv) α fulfills the pentagon axiom,
- (v) λ and ρ fulfill the left and right unitor axioms.

The morphisms in \mathbb{D}_0 are also called *tight morphisms* and the objects of \mathbb{D}_1 are also called *loose morphisms*. Morphisms $\alpha : M \rightarrow N$ in \mathbb{D}_1 are called *squares* and drawn as

$$\begin{array}{ccc} SM & \xrightarrow{M} & TM \\ S\alpha \downarrow & \alpha & \downarrow T\alpha \\ SN & \xrightarrow{N} & TN \end{array}$$

If $S\alpha$ and $T\alpha$ are identities, it is called *globular*.

Example. Every (strict) 2-category \mathcal{B} gives rise to a double category $\mathbb{Sq}(\mathcal{B})$ tba

Definition C.2. A (pseudo) double functor $F : \mathbb{D} \rightarrow \mathbb{E}$ consists of functors $F_0 : \mathbb{D}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{E}_0$ and $F_1 : \mathbb{D}_1 \rightarrow \mathbb{E}_1$ as well as natural transformations

$$F_\diamond : F_1 M \diamond F_1 N \rightarrow F_1(M \diamond N), \quad F_I : IF_0 \rightarrow F_1 I$$

such that

- (i) the components of F_\diamond and F_I are globular isomorphisms,
- (ii) F_\diamond and F_I fulfill the coherence axioms with the associator and unitors analogous to pseudofunctors.

Definition C.3. A monoidal double category is a double category \mathbb{D} such that \mathbb{D}_0 and \mathbb{D}_1 are monoidal categories together with globular isomorphisms

$$\xi : (M_1 \otimes M_2) \diamond (N_1 \otimes N_2) \rightarrow (M_1 \diamond N_1) \otimes (M_2 \diamond N_2), \quad \iota : I(A \otimes B) \rightarrow I(A) \otimes I(B),$$

such that

- (i) $I(\mathbf{1})$ is the monoidal unit of \mathbb{D}_1 , where $\mathbf{1}$ is the monoidal unit of \mathbb{D}_0 ,
- (ii) S and T are strict monoidal,
- (iii) a whole slew of coherence axioms are satisfied.

Notation

\mathbb{N}	natural numbers with zero
\mathbb{Z}	ring of integers
\mathbb{C}	field of complex numbers
i	imaginary unit
\hbar	Planck's constant for particles
η	coupling constant for particles or Planck's constant for spins
N	rank of symmetric group and Hecke algebras
S_N	symmetric group
\dot{S}_N	affine symmetric group
\dot{H}_N	degenerate affine Hecke algebra
\ddot{H}_N	degenerate double affine Hecke algebra
$S\ddot{H}_N$	spherical degenerate double affine Hecke algebra
X_i	Laurent generators of \dot{S}_N and \ddot{H}_N
y_i	polynomial generators of \dot{H}_N and \ddot{H}_N
D_k	Hamiltonians of the quantum rational Ruijsenaars-Schneider model
C_k	Hamiltonians of the quantum trigonometric Calogero-Moser model
ℓ	rank of general linear Lie algebra
\mathfrak{gl}_ℓ	general linear Lie algebra
$Y(\mathfrak{gl}_\ell)$	Yangian of the general linear Lie algebra
$Y^\vee(\mathfrak{gl}_\ell)$	Dual Yangian of the general linear Lie algebra
$L(\mathfrak{gl}_\ell)$	loop algebra of the general linear Lie algebra
$LY(\mathfrak{gl}_\ell)$	loop Yangian of the general linear Lie algebra
z, w	spectral parameter
P	permutation operator
$R(z)$	Yang's R -matrix $1 - \eta P/z$
$\hat{R}(z)$	polynomial R -matrix $z - \eta P$
$\check{R}(z)$	unitary R -matrix $(z - \eta P)/(z - \eta)$
Π^\pm	(anti-)symmetrizer $(1 \pm P)/2$
λ	weight for \mathfrak{gl}_ℓ or Young diagram
t_λ	Young tableau of shape λ

Π_{t_λ}	fusion projector for t_λ
$L(\lambda)$	irreducible \mathfrak{gl}_ℓ -module with highest weight λ
$S(\lambda)$	Specht module for λ
$L(\lambda)_y^t$	evaluation module of $Y(\mathfrak{gl}_\ell)$, transposed and shifted by $y \in \mathbb{C}$
V_y^\pm	$L(\square)_y^t$ for “+” or $L(\square)_y$ for “−”
g	twist matrix
γ_i	diagonal components of the twist matrix
$\tau^g(z)$	g -twisted (fundamental) transfer matrix
$\tau_\lambda^g(z)$	g -twisted transfer matrix of shape λ
C	complex curve
Σ	oriented surface
ω	meromorphic 1-form on C
A	\mathfrak{gl}_ℓ -valued 1-form on Σ

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