
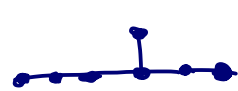



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Cartan	Label	Dimension	Rank
$A_\ell$	$Su(n)$	$n^2 - 1$	$n - 1$
$B_\ell$	$so(n), n \text{ odd}$	$\frac{n(n-1)}{2}$	$(n-1)/2$
$C_\ell$	$sp(n)$	$\frac{n(n+1)}{2}$	$n/2$
$D_\ell$	$so(n), n \text{ even}$	$\frac{n(n-1)}{2}$	$n/2$
$E_6$		78	6
$E_7$		133	7
$E_8$		248	8

Georgi's book :

$E_5$	$\longrightarrow$	$D_5$	} $\frac{\text{dim.}}{45}$
$E_4$	$\longrightarrow$	$A_4$	

1)

Simple roots : Basis that can generate entire Lie group. # independent vectors . Rank of the Lie group. Dimensionality of Cartan matrix.

For  $E_8$ , the rank is 8. One can construct 8 simple roots. There are 240 more roots (i.e. vectors in eight-dim space).

One popular choice :

denoted  $\alpha_i$   
 $i = 1 \dots 8$

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \\
 & \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & -1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \\
 & \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 1 & -1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \\
 & \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & -1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \\
 & \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & -1 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \\
 & \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \\
 & \begin{bmatrix} -\frac{1}{2} & -\frac{1}{2} & -\frac{1}{2} & -\frac{1}{2} & -\frac{1}{2} & -\frac{1}{2} & -\frac{1}{2} & -\frac{1}{2} \end{bmatrix} \\
 & \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & -1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}
 \end{aligned}$$

2)

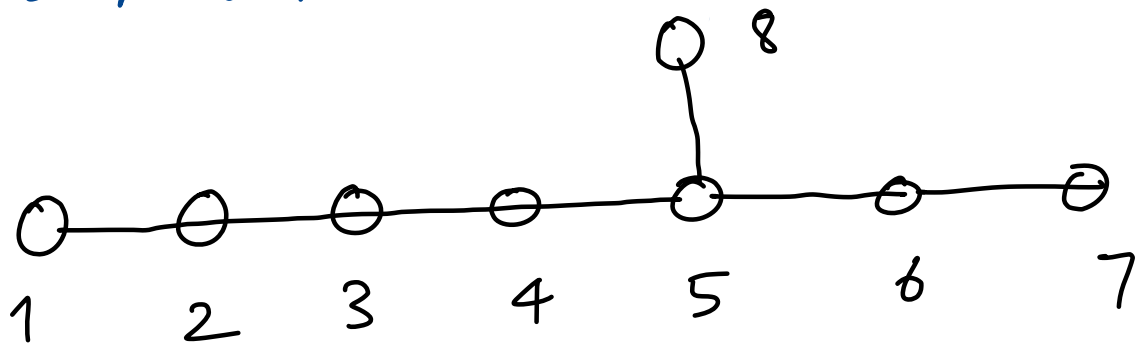
Can generate all other 240 by linear combination of these 8!

Note that  $\alpha_i$ 's are not orthogonal.

Some are. Also  $\alpha_i \cdot \alpha_i = 2$ .

Can put  $\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}$  for normalization but not important here.

$\rightarrow$  Killing '1891  
Roots are the basis of Lie group classification due to Cartan, the Cartan matrix



if  $\alpha_i \cdot \alpha_j = 0$  [not connected]  
 $\alpha_i \cdot \alpha_j = -1$  [one line connected]

Famous Dynkin Diagram of  $E_8 \dots$

3)

From the roots, easy to construct  $r \times r$  Cartan matrix. Diagonals are 2.

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -1 & & & & & \\ -1 & 2 & -1 & & & & \\ & -1 & 2 & -1 & & & \\ & & -1 & 2 & -1 & & \\ & & & -1 & 2 & -1 & -1 \\ & & & & -1 & 2 & -1 & 0 \\ & & & & & -1 & 2 & 0 \\ & & & & & & -1 & 0 & 0 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$A_{ij} = \frac{2(\alpha_i \cdot \alpha_j)}{\alpha_i \cdot \alpha_i}$

$$\det = (9 - r) \quad \text{where } r = \text{rank of EG}$$

$$(\det)_{\text{cartan } E_8} = 1$$

Now, we are ready to explore the relation b/w spin chains and  $E_n$  groups.

Find largest eigenvector of Cartan matrix of  $E_8$  (Perron-Frobenius vector).

Arrange in ascending order.

Scale such that minimum is 17.

Then...

4)

$$\left. \begin{aligned} \lambda_1 &= M \\ \lambda_2 &\cong 1.618 M \\ \lambda_3 &\cong 1.98 M \\ &\vdots \\ \lambda_8 &= \dots \end{aligned} \right\}$$

$$\begin{aligned} m_1 &= M \\ m_2 &= 2M \cos(\pi/5) = \phi = \frac{1+\sqrt{5}}{2} \\ m_3 &= 2m_1 \cos(\pi/30) \\ m_4 &= 2m_2 \cos(7\pi/30) \\ m_5 &= 2m_2 \cos(2\pi/15) \\ m_6 &= 2m_2 \cos(\pi/30) \\ m_7 &= 4m_2 \cos\left(\frac{2\pi}{5}\right) \cos\left(\frac{7\pi}{30}\right) \\ m_8 &= 4m_2 \cos(\pi/5) \cos(2\pi/15) \end{aligned}$$

$E_8$   
Spectrum

In 1989, Z found that this is exactly the spectrum of a certain spin model in a certain limit

$$H = - \left[ \sum_{\langle ij \rangle} Z_i Z_j + \sum_i g_z Z_i + \sum_i g_x X_i \right]$$

$$g_x = 1, \quad g_z = 0 \quad \text{QCP}$$

$$g_x = 1, \quad g_z \neq 0 \quad \longrightarrow \quad ??$$

$$\eta = \frac{(g_x - 1)}{|g_z|^{8/15}} \quad \begin{aligned} \eta = 0 &\rightarrow E_8 \\ \eta = \infty &\rightarrow FF \end{aligned}$$

at  $\eta = 0$ , spectrum matches  $E_8$  spectrum.

5)

In fact, we know the coefficients too..

$$M_1 \approx 4.4 |g_Z|^{8/15}$$

$$M_2 \approx \phi M_1$$

⋮

In two limits  $\eta = 0$ ,  $\eta = \infty$  the model is integrable but for other " $\eta$ " it is not..

This model is two-parameter deformation of ICFT i.e.

$$A_{IFT} = A_{ICFT} + \underbrace{\tau \int d^2x \, \varepsilon(x)}_{\text{Thermal def.}} + \underbrace{h \int d^2x \, \sigma(x)}_{\text{Spin def.}}$$

$\tau \propto T - T_c$   
 $h \propto \text{mag. field.}$

Class of  $\mathcal{M}_{3,4}$  minimal unitary CFT models

$$c = 1 - \frac{6}{(3)(4)} = \frac{1}{2} \quad \checkmark$$

6)

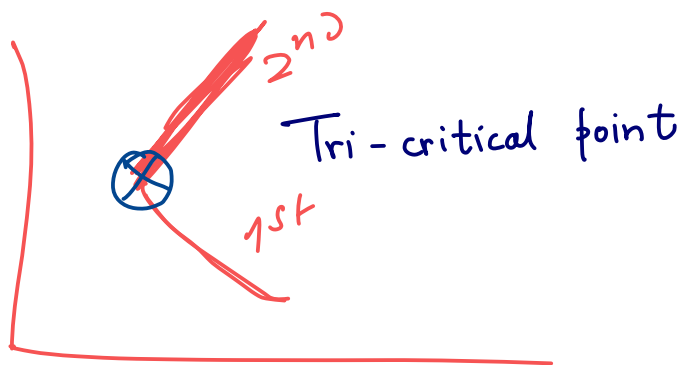
It turns out, there is a whole family of these type of models

$$E_8 \rightarrow \mathcal{M}_{3,4} \rightarrow \text{ICFT} + \sigma(x) \text{ magnetic}$$

$$E_7 \rightarrow \mathcal{M}_{4,5} \rightarrow \text{TCI} + \xi(x) \text{ Thermal}$$

$$E_6 \rightarrow \mathcal{M}_{5,6} \rightarrow \text{TCP} + \xi(x) \text{ Thermal}$$

What is TCI? Tri-critical-Ising.



Two lattice Hamiltonians that can reproduce this field theory ...

- 1) Blume - Capel (BC) model
- 2) Bren - Fendley (BF) model

BC model also known as Ising model with vacant sites.

$$\mathcal{H} = -J \sum_{\langle ij \rangle} Z_i Z_j - T\Delta \sum_i Z_i^2$$

$$\text{where at } J=1, T\Delta \cong (0.61)(3.22) \\ \cong 1.964$$

it has T<sub>ci</sub>-critical point ....

$\Delta \rightarrow$  fugacity

BF model  $\rightarrow$  PRL 120, 206403 (2018)

$$\mathcal{H} = - \sum_{j=1}^N \left[ Z_j Z_{j+1} + g X_j + h Z_j \right] \\ + \lambda \sum_{j=1}^N \left[ X_j Z_{j+1} Z_{j+2} + Z_j Z_{j+1} X_{j+2} \right]$$

at  $\lambda \cong 0.428, g=1, h=0$

it has TCI behaviour...



$$\begin{aligned}
 m_1 &= M \\
 m_2 &= 2M \cos\left(\frac{\pi}{5}\right) = \phi = \frac{1+\sqrt{5}}{2} \\
 m_3 &= 2M \cos\left(\frac{2\pi}{5}\right) \\
 m_4 &= 2m_2 \cos\left(\frac{7\pi}{30}\right) \\
 m_5 &= 2m_2 \cos\left(\frac{2\pi}{15}\right) \\
 m_6 &= 2m_2 \cos\left(\frac{4\pi}{30}\right) \\
 m_7 &= 4m_2 \cos\left(\frac{2\pi}{5}\right) \cos\left(\frac{7\pi}{30}\right) \\
 m_8 &= 4m_2 \cos\left(\frac{\pi}{5}\right) \cos\left(\frac{2\pi}{15}\right)
 \end{aligned}$$

$E_8$   
Spectrum

$$\begin{aligned}
 m_1 &= M \\
 m_2 &= 2M \cos\left(\frac{5\pi}{18}\right) \\
 m_3 &= 2M \cos\left(\frac{\pi}{9}\right) \\
 m_4 &= 2M \cdot \cos\left(\frac{\pi}{18}\right) \\
 m_5 &= 4M \cdot \cos\left(\frac{5\pi}{18}\right) \cdot \cos\left(\frac{\pi}{18}\right) \\
 m_6 &= 4M \cos\left(\frac{\pi}{9}\right) \cdot \cos\left(\frac{2\pi}{9}\right) \\
 m_7 &= 4M \cos\left(\frac{\pi}{18}\right) \cos\left(\frac{\pi}{9}\right)
 \end{aligned}$$

$E_7$   
Spectrum

degenerate

$$\begin{aligned}
 m_1 &= m_{\bar{1}} = M \\
 m_2 &= m_{\bar{2}} = M \\
 m_3 &= 2M \cos\left(\frac{\pi}{4}\right) \\
 m_4 &= 4M \cos\left(\frac{\pi}{12}\right) \cos\left(\frac{\pi}{4}\right)
 \end{aligned}$$

$E_6$   
Spectrum

9)