

# Quantisation of Kadomtsev-Petviashvili equation

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# Classical KP

KP: a (2+1)-D integrable equation for  $\varphi = \varphi(\sigma, x; t)$ .

Let  $x, t \in \mathbb{R}$ ,  $\sigma \in \mathbb{R}/2\pi\mathbb{Z} \equiv \mathbb{S}^1$ .

$$\varphi_{t\sigma} - \varphi_{xx} - 2\beta(\varphi\varphi_{\sigma})_{\sigma} + \gamma\varphi_{\sigma\sigma\sigma\sigma} = 0$$

Two cases:  $\gamma > 0 \sim$  KP-I,  $\gamma < 0 \sim$  KP-II.

Poisson bracket:

$$\{\varphi(\sigma, x), \varphi(\tau, y)\} = 2\pi\delta'(\sigma - \tau)\delta(x - y), \quad \sigma, \tau \in \mathbb{S}^1, \quad x, y \in \mathbb{R}.$$

Fix the symplectic sheaf at the PB:

$$\int_0^{2\pi} d\sigma \varphi(\sigma, x) = 0 \quad \forall x \in \mathbb{R}.$$

# Classical KP: Hamiltonians

Local (in  $x$ ) commuting Hamiltonians

$$H_p = \int_0^{2\pi} \frac{d\sigma}{2\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} dx h_p(\sigma, x), \quad p = 0, 1, 2, \dots$$

$$h_p(\sigma, x) = \frac{1}{2} (\partial_\sigma^{-p} \varphi) (\partial_x^p \varphi) + O(\beta) + O(\gamma), \quad \beta, \gamma \rightarrow 0$$

for instance,

$$h_0(\sigma, x) = \frac{1}{2} \varphi^2(\sigma, x),$$

$$h_1(\sigma, x) = \frac{1}{2} (\partial_\sigma^{-1} \varphi) (\partial_x \varphi),$$

$$h_2(\sigma, x) = \frac{1}{2} (\partial_\sigma^{-2} \varphi) (\partial_x^2 \varphi) + \frac{\beta}{3} \varphi^3 + \frac{\gamma}{2} (\partial_\sigma \varphi)^2.$$

$$\{H_p, H_q\} = 0$$

# Classical KP: equations of motion

$$\partial_{t_p} = \{\cdot, H_p\}$$

$$\varphi_{t_0} = \varphi_\sigma,$$

$$\varphi_{t_1} = -\varphi_x,$$

$$\varphi_{t_2} = \partial_\sigma^{-1} \varphi_{xx} + 2\beta \varphi \varphi_\sigma - \gamma \varphi_{\sigma\sigma\sigma}.$$

Galilei transform  $x := x + 2vt$ ,  $\sigma := \sigma + vx + v^2t$

Infinitesimal Galilei boost:

$$B = \int_0^{2\pi} \frac{d\sigma}{2\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} dx x h_0(\sigma, x), \quad \{\varphi, B\} = x\varphi_\sigma$$

$$\{H_p, B\} = -pH_{p-1}.$$

# Quantisation

Correspondence principle  $[\cdot, \cdot] \simeq i\hbar\{\cdot, \cdot\}$

$$[\varphi(\sigma, x), \varphi(\tau, y)] = 2\pi i \delta'(\sigma - \tau) \delta(x - y), \quad \varphi^\dagger = \varphi.$$

Fourier components

$$\varphi(\sigma, x) = \sum_{n \in \mathbb{Z}} a_n(x) e^{-in\sigma},$$

$$a_n(x) = \int_0^{2\pi} \frac{d\sigma}{2\pi} \varphi(\sigma, x) e^{in\sigma}, \quad a_0(x) = 0,$$

form the Heisenberg (oscillator) Lie algebra

$$[a_m(x), a_n(y)] = m\delta_{m+n,0}\delta(x-y), \quad a_n^\dagger = a_{-n}.$$

Take h.w module  $a_n |0\rangle = 0, \quad n > 0.$

## Bosonic $\Psi\Psi^\dagger$ operators

Let

$$\Psi_n(x) = n^{-1/2} a_n(x), \quad \Psi_n^\dagger(x) = n^{-1/2} a_{-n}(x), \quad n \in \mathbb{N}, \quad x \in \mathbb{R},$$

$$[\Psi_m(x), \Psi_n^\dagger(y)] = \delta_{mn} \delta(x-y), \quad \Psi_m(x) |0\rangle = 0, \quad m, n \in \mathbb{N}, \quad x, y \in \mathbb{R}.$$

Normal ordering prescription for  $\mathbf{H}_{012}$ :

$$\mathbf{H}_0 = \int_0^{2\pi} \frac{d\sigma}{2\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} dx : \frac{1}{2} \varphi^2(\sigma, x) := \sum_{m \in \mathbb{N}} m \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} dx \Psi_m^\dagger(x) \Psi_m(x),$$

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{H}_1 &= \int_0^{2\pi} \frac{d\sigma}{2\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} dx : \frac{1}{2} (\partial_\sigma^{-1} \varphi) (\partial_x \varphi) : \\ &= -i \sum_{m \in \mathbb{N}} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} dx \Psi_m^\dagger(x) \partial_x \Psi_m(x) \end{aligned}$$

# Quantum Hamiltonian

$$\begin{aligned}\mathbf{H}_2 &= \int_0^{2\pi} \frac{d\sigma}{2\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} dx : \frac{1}{2} (\partial_\sigma^{-2} \varphi) (\partial_x^2 \varphi) + \frac{\beta}{3} \varphi^3 + \frac{\gamma}{2} (\partial_\sigma \varphi)^2 : \\ &= - \sum_{m \in \mathbb{N}} \frac{1}{m} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} dx \Psi_m^\dagger(x) \partial_x^2 \Psi_m(x) \\ &+ \sum_{m_1, m_2 \in \mathbb{N}} \beta_{m_1 m_2} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} dx [\Psi_{m_1+m_2}^\dagger(x) \Psi_{m_1}(x) \Psi_{m_2}(x) + \text{h.c.}] \\ &+ \sum_{m \in \mathbb{N}} \gamma_m \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} dx \Psi_m^\dagger(x) \Psi_m(x)\end{aligned}$$

where

$$\beta_{m_1 m_2} = \beta_{m_2 m_1} = \beta \sqrt{(m_1 + m_2) m_1 m_2}, \quad \gamma_m = \gamma m^3.$$

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- ▶ Only  $\mathbf{H}_0 = M$  conserved. Particles merge/decay  
 $m_1 + m_2 \leftrightarrow m_1 + m_2$ . Cf. Lee model (1954),  $N$ -waves model (Manakov 1976; Kulish 1986), continuous Heisenberg magnet (Sklyanin 1988)

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**Main result:** General formula for the Coordinate Bethe Ansatz is conjectured  $\forall M$ . Verified by computer algebra (Maple) for  $M \leq 8$ .

# Combinatorics of compositions

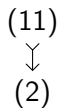
A *composition*  $\mathbf{m}$  of a nonnegative integer  $M \in \mathbb{N}$  is defined as a sequence  $\mathbf{m} = (m_1, \dots, m_N)$  of  $m_i \in \mathbb{N}$  such that  $m_1 + \dots + m_N \equiv |\mathbf{m}| = M$ . The number  $N = \ell(\mathbf{m})$  is called *length* of the composition, and  $M = |\mathbf{m}|$  its *weight*. The number of compositions of  $M$  equals  $2^{M-1}$ .

Introduce a partial order  $\succ$  on the set of compositions:  $\mathbf{m} \succ \tilde{\mathbf{m}}$  means that  $\ell(\tilde{\mathbf{m}}) = \ell(\mathbf{m}) - 1$  and  $\tilde{\mathbf{m}}$  can be obtained from  $\mathbf{m}$  by replacing an adjacent pair  $(m_i, m_{i+1})$  for some  $i = 1, \dots, \ell(\mathbf{m}) - 1$  with  $m_i + m_{i+1}$ , that is

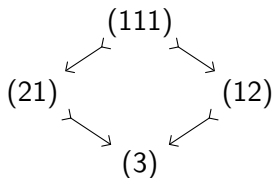
$$\begin{aligned}\mathbf{m} &= (m_1, \dots, m_{i-1}, m_i, m_{i+1}, m_{i+2}, \dots, m_N), \\ \tilde{\mathbf{m}} &= (m_1, \dots, m_{i-1}, m_i + m_{i+1}, m_{i+2}, \dots, m_N)\end{aligned}$$



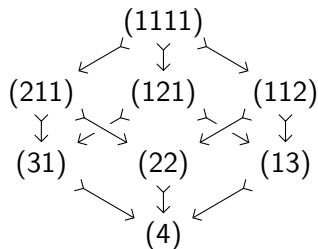
# Compositions hypercube



(a)  $M = 2$



(b)  $M = 3$



(c)  $M = 4$

Figure : Composition hypercubes

## Fock space

The mass- $M$  sector  $\mathcal{F}_M$  of our Fock space  $\mathcal{F}$  is the eigenspace of the mass operator  $\mathbf{H}_0$  corresponding to the eigenvalue  $M$ .

Respectively,  $\mathcal{F}_M$  splits into the orthogonal sum

$$\mathcal{F}_M = \bigoplus_{\mathbf{m}: |\mathbf{m}|=M} \mathcal{F}_M^{\mathbf{m}},$$

where  $\mathcal{F}_M^{\mathbf{m}}$  is spanned by the vectors

$$|f\rangle = \int_{\mathcal{W}_N} dx_1 \dots dx_N f_N \left( \begin{matrix} \mathbf{m} \\ \mathbf{x} \end{matrix} \right) \prod_{j=1}^N \psi_{m_j}^\dagger(x_j) |0\rangle \in \mathcal{F}_M^{\mathbf{m}},$$

$$\|f\|^2 = \int_{\mathcal{W}_N} dx_1 \dots dx_N \left| f_N \left( \begin{matrix} \mathbf{m} \\ \mathbf{x} \end{matrix} \right) \right|^2.$$

where the *Weyl alcove*  $\mathcal{W}_N$  is defined as

$$\mathcal{W}_N = \{ \mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^N : x_1 < x_2 < \dots < x_N \}.$$

## Eigenvalue problem for $\mathbf{H}_2$

“Bulk” differential equation and “jump conditions”

$$\begin{aligned}
 \lambda f_N \begin{pmatrix} m_1 & \dots & m_N \\ x_1 & \dots & x_N \end{pmatrix} &= \sum_{i=1}^N \left( -\frac{1}{m_i} \partial_{x_i}^2 + \gamma_{m_i} \right) f_N \begin{pmatrix} m_1 & \dots & m_N \\ x_1 & \dots & x_N \end{pmatrix} \\
 + \sum_{k=1}^N \sum_{\substack{n_1, n_2 \in \mathbb{N} \\ n_1 + n_2 = m_k}} \beta_{n_1 n_2} f_{N+1} \begin{pmatrix} m_1 & \dots & m_{k-1} & n_1 & n_2 & m_{k+1} & \dots & m_N \\ x_1 & \dots & x_{k-1} & x_k & x_k & x_{k+1} & \dots & x_N \end{pmatrix} \\
 [(m_i \partial_{x_i} - m_{i+1} \partial_{x_{i+1}}) f_N] \begin{pmatrix} m_1 & \dots & m_{i+1} & m_i & \dots & m_N \\ x_1 & \dots & x_i - 0 & x_i + 0 & \dots & x_N \end{pmatrix} \\
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 + 2m_i m_{i+1} \beta_{m_i, m_{i+1}} f_{N-1} \begin{pmatrix} m_1 & \dots & m_{i-1} & m_i + m_{i+1} & m_{i+2} & \dots & m_N \\ x_1 & \dots & x_{i-1} & x_i & x_{i+2} & \dots & x_N \end{pmatrix} \\
 &= 0.
 \end{aligned}$$

## Equations in sector $M = 2$

Boundary problem:

$$\lambda f_2 \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ x_1 & x_2 \end{pmatrix} = (-\partial_{x_1}^2 - \partial_{x_2}^2 + 2\gamma_1) f_2 \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ x_1 & x_2 \end{pmatrix},$$

$$\lambda f_1 \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ x_1 \end{pmatrix} = \left(-\frac{1}{2}\partial_{x_1}^2 + \gamma_2\right) f_1 \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ x_1 \end{pmatrix} + \beta_{11} f_2 \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ x_1 & x_1 \end{pmatrix}.$$

$$2[(\partial_{x_1} - \partial_{x_2})f_2] \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ x_1 & x_1 \end{pmatrix} + 2\beta_{11} f_1 \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ x_1 \end{pmatrix} = 0$$

Ansatz:

$$f_2 \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ x_1 & x_2 \end{pmatrix} = e^{i(u_2 x_1 + u_1 x_2)} + S_{21} e^{i(u_1 x_1 + u_2 x_2)}, \quad x_1 < x_2.$$

$$f_1 \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ x_1 \end{pmatrix} = R e^{i(u_1 + u_2)x_1}.$$

## Solution in sector $M = 2$

Algebraic equations for  $\lambda$ ,  $S_{21}$ ,  $R$

$$u_1^2 + u_2^2 + 2\gamma_1 = \lambda,$$

$$\left( \frac{1}{2}(u_1 + u_2)^2 + \gamma_2 \right) R + \beta_{11}(1 + S_{21}) = \lambda R,$$

$$i(u_2 - u_1) + i(u_1 - u_2)S_{21} + \beta_{11}R = 0.$$

Solution:

$$S_{21} = S(u_2 - u_1), \quad S(u) = -\frac{P(iu)}{P(-iu)}$$

where  $P(v)$  is the cubic polynomial

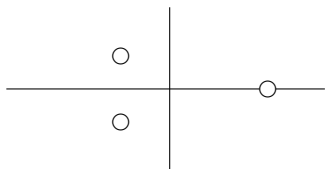
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$$R = \frac{4i\beta_{11}u_{21}}{P(-iu_{21})} = \frac{4\sqrt{2}i\beta u_{21}}{P(-iu_{21})}, \quad u_{21} \equiv u_2 - u_1.$$

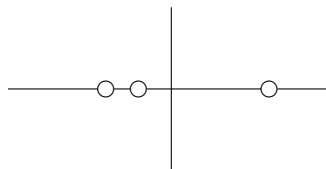
# Polynomial $P(v)$

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$$\text{Discriminant } D = -432(16\gamma^3 + \beta^4)$$



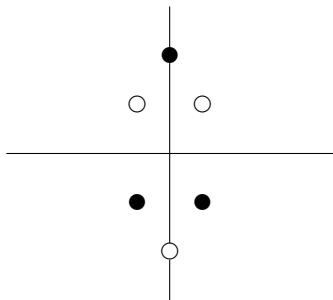
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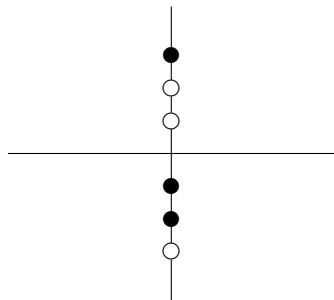
(b) qKP-II:  $D > 0$

Figure : Zeroes of  $P(u)$

## Poles/zeros of $S(u)$



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(b) qKP-II:  $D > 0$

Figure : Zeros and poles of  $S(u)$

## Bethe Ansatz in sector $\mathcal{F}_M^{(1\dots 1)}$

Let  $\mathfrak{S}_{[1,M]}$  be the permutation group of  $(1, \dots, M)$ . Let  $\mathbf{u} \equiv (u_1, \dots, u_M)$  be the vector of momenta, and  $\mathbf{v} \equiv i\mathbf{u}$ . Define the action of a permutation  $\mathfrak{s} = (\mathfrak{s}_1, \dots, \mathfrak{s}_M) \in \mathfrak{S}_{[1,M]}$  on functions of  $\mathbf{v}$  by substitutions  $\mathfrak{s} : v_j \mapsto v_{\mathfrak{s}_j}$ . Then, for a plane wave

$$\exp(\mathbf{v} \cdot \mathbf{x}) \equiv \exp(v_1 x_1 + \dots + v_M x_M)$$

we have

$$\mathfrak{s}(\exp(\mathbf{v} \cdot \mathbf{x})) = (\exp(\mathfrak{s}(\mathbf{v}) \cdot \mathbf{x})) = \exp(v_{\mathfrak{s}_1} x_1 + \dots + v_{\mathfrak{s}_M} x_M).$$

**Conjecture 1.** The  $\mathcal{F}_M^{(1\dots 1)}$  component of the eigenfunction of  $\mathbf{H}_2$  can be chosen for  $\mathbf{x} \in \mathcal{W}_{1\dots 1}$  as

$$f_M \begin{pmatrix} 1 & \dots & 1 \\ x_1 & \dots & x_M \end{pmatrix} = \sum_{\mathfrak{s} \in \mathfrak{S}_{[1,M]}} \text{sgn}(\mathfrak{s}) \left( \prod_{j < k} P(v_{\mathfrak{s}_k} - v_{\mathfrak{s}_j}) \right) \mathfrak{s}(\exp(\mathbf{v} \cdot \mathbf{x})),$$



## $\mathfrak{P}$ -operator

Note that the Bethe eigenfunction is **antisymmetric** in  $\mathbf{v}$ : a special polynomial normalisation invented by to Michel Gaudin (1983) in case of QNLS.

Let

$$\mathbb{P}(\mathbf{v}) \equiv \prod_{1 \leq j < k \leq M} P(v_k - v_j)$$

and define the linear operator

$$\mathfrak{P} : g(\mathbf{v}) \mapsto \sum_{\mathfrak{s} \in \mathfrak{S}_{[1, M]}} \text{sgn}(\mathfrak{s}) \mathbb{P}(\mathfrak{s}(\mathbf{v})) g(\mathfrak{s}(\mathbf{v})).$$

Then

$$f_M \begin{pmatrix} 1 & \cdots & 1 \\ x_1 & \cdots & x_M \end{pmatrix} = \mathfrak{P}(\exp(\mathbf{v} \cdot \mathbf{x})).$$

## Bethe Ansatz in generic sector

Given a composition  $\mathbf{m} = (m_1, \dots, m_N)$ , let

$$\mathbf{v} = \left( \underbrace{v_1, \dots, v_{m_1}}_{=\mathbf{w}_1^m}, \underbrace{v_{m_1+1}, \dots, v_{m_1+m_2}}_{=\mathbf{w}_2^m}, \dots, \underbrace{v_{\dots}, \dots, v_{\dots}}_{=\mathbf{w}_N^m} \right),$$

and let  $\langle \mathbf{w} \rangle$  denote the sum of the components of a vector  $\mathbf{w}$ , e.g.  $\langle \mathbf{v} \rangle = v_1 + \dots + v_M$ .

**Proposition.** The Bethe eigenfunction in the generic subsector  $\mathcal{F}_M^{\mathbf{m}}$  can be written in the form

$$f_N \begin{pmatrix} m_1 & \dots & m_N \\ x_1 & \dots & x_N \end{pmatrix} = \mathfrak{P} \left( Q^{\mathbf{m}}(\mathbf{v}) \exp(\langle \mathbf{w}_1^m \rangle x_1 + \dots + \langle \mathbf{w}_N^m \rangle x_N) \right),$$

where the polynomials  $Q^{\mathbf{m}}(\mathbf{v})$  factorise as

$$Q^{\mathbf{m}}(\mathbf{v}) = \prod_{k=1}^N Q^{(m_k)}(\mathbf{w}_k^m)$$

## Equations for $Q^{(M)}(\mathbf{v})$

$$\text{Let } \tilde{K}(\mathbf{v}) = v_1^2 + \dots + v_M^2 - (v_1 + \dots + v_M)^2 / M$$

$$V_{m_1 m_2} = m_2(v_1 + \dots + v_{m_1}) - m_1(v_{m_1+1} + \dots + v_{m_1+m_2})$$

Bulk & jump equations are:

$$(\tilde{K}(\mathbf{v}) + (M^3 - M)\gamma) Q^{(M)}(v_1, \dots, v_M)$$

$$+ \beta \sum_{\substack{n_1, n_2 \geq 1 \\ n_1 + n_2 = M}} \sqrt{n_1 n_2 M} Q^{(n_1)}(v_1, \dots, v_{n_1}) Q^{(n_2)}(v_{n_1+1}, \dots, v_M) \stackrel{\text{P}}{\equiv} 0.$$

$$V_{m_1 m_2} Q^{(m_1)}(v_1, \dots, v_{m_1}) Q^{(m_2)}(v_{m_1+1}, \dots, v_{m_1+m_2})$$

$$+ V_{m_2 m_1} Q^{(m_2)}(v_1, \dots, v_{m_2}) Q^{(m_1)}(v_{m_2+1}, \dots, v_{m_1+m_2})$$

$$+ 2m_1 m_2 \beta_{m_1} \beta_{m_2} Q^{(m_1+m_2)}(v_1, \dots, v_{m_1+m_2}) \stackrel{\text{P}}{\equiv} 0.$$

# Solution

Let  $Q^{(1)}(\mathbf{v}) = 1$  and, for  $M \geq 2$ ,

$$Q^{(M)}(\mathbf{v}) = \frac{2\sqrt{M}(2\beta)^{1-M}}{M!(M-1)} \sum_{1 \leq i < j \leq M} (-1)^{j-i} \binom{M-1}{j-i-1} (v_i - v_j)^{M-1}$$

**Conjecture 2.** The above polynomials  $Q^{(M)}(\mathbf{v}) = 1$  satisfy all the BA consistency equations.

**Verified** by computer algebra for  $M \leq 8$ .

**Caveat.** A direct verification of  $\mathfrak{B}$ -equivalence, by summation over  $M!$  permutations, is unpractical for large  $M$  because of the exponential growth. What was verified instead, it is a set of stronger sufficient conditions that have only polynomial computational complexity.

## 2-reducibility

Recall that

$$P(v) = v^3 + 12\gamma v - 4\beta^2.$$

Let  $v_{ij} = v_i - v_j$ , and  $P_{ij} = P(v_i - v_j)$ . Assuming  $M \geq 2$ , we shall say that a polynomial  $F(\mathbf{v})$  is **2-reducible** and write  $F \stackrel{2}{\equiv} 0$  if  $F(\mathbf{v})$  admits a decomposition (not necessarily unique)

$$F(\mathbf{v}) = \sum_{i=1}^{M-1} P_{i,i+1} G_i(\mathbf{v})$$

with some polynomials  $G_i(\mathbf{v})$  symmetric under permutation  $v_i \leftrightarrow v_{i+1}$  for each  $i$ .

**Proposition.** If  $F \stackrel{2}{\equiv} 0$  then  $F \stackrel{\mathfrak{P}}{\equiv} 0$ .

## 3-reducibility

Assuming  $M \geq 3$ , we shall say that a polynomial  $F(\mathbf{v})$  is *3-reducible* and write  $F \stackrel{3}{\equiv} 0$  if  $F(\mathbf{v})$  admits a decomposition

$$F(\mathbf{v}) = \sum_{i=1}^{M-2} (v_i - 2v_{i+1} + v_{i+2}) J_i(\mathbf{v})$$

with some polynomials  $J_i(\mathbf{v})$  symmetric w.r.t. permutations of  $\{v_i, v_{i+1}, v_{i+2}\}$ .

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# Toda FT

Affine  $A_{N-1}$  Toda field theory (Arinshtein, Fateyev, Zamolodchikov 1979)

$$\mathcal{L} = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=1}^N \partial_\mu \varphi_i \cdot \partial^\mu \varphi_i - \frac{2M^2}{\beta^2} \sum_{i=1}^N \exp \left[ \frac{\beta}{\sqrt{2}} (\varphi_i - \varphi_{i+1}) \right]$$

2-particle  $S$ -matrix

$$S_{11}(\theta) = \frac{\sinh \left( \frac{\theta}{2} + \frac{i\pi}{N+1} \right) \sinh \left( \frac{\theta}{2} - \frac{i\pi}{N+1} + i\frac{b}{2} \right) \sinh \left( \frac{\theta}{2} - i\frac{b}{2} \right)}{\sinh \left( \frac{\theta}{2} - \frac{i\pi}{N+1} \right) \sinh \left( \frac{\theta}{2} + \frac{i\pi}{N+1} - i\frac{b}{2} \right) \sinh \left( \frac{\theta}{2} + i\frac{b}{2} \right)}.$$

Upon rescaling

$$\theta = \frac{2\kappa^{-1}\pi u}{N+1} \quad \text{and} \quad b = \frac{2\kappa^{-1}\tau\pi}{N+1}$$

then sending  $N \rightarrow +\infty$  one obtains the rational (nonrelativistic) degeneration

$$\lim_{N \rightarrow +\infty} S_{11}(\theta) = \tilde{S}_{11}(u) = \frac{u^3 + u(\kappa^2 + \tau^2 - \kappa\tau) - i\kappa\tau(\kappa - \tau)}{u^3 + u(\kappa^2 + \tau^2 - \kappa\tau) + i\kappa\tau(\kappa - \tau)}.$$