TTbar deformation and new integrable models

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1 Abstract

TTbar and other solvable irrelevant deformations have received considerable attention in the past few years. In this lecture, I will first explain the importance of TTbar deformation for the understanding of several fundamental issues in quantum field theories. These include the S-matrix bootstrap program and UV completeness of quantum field theories. After that, the main features of TTbar deformation will be discussed. Finally I will show how these deformations can be defined in a much broader family of integrable models including lattice models such as integrable spin chains and cold atom systems. The physical properties of the deformed models will also be discussed.

2 Motivations

What is a QFT?

- 1. Lagrangian/Hamiltonian description (perturbative)
- 2. Axiomatic QFT
 - (a) Wightman axioms (Lorentzian)
 - (b) Osterwalder-Schrader axioms (Euclidean)
 - (c) Rigorous, but hard to do computations
- 3. Bootstrap: conformal bootstrap (for CFT), S-matrix bootstrap.

S-matrix bootstrap

- Proposed by W. Heisenberg in 1950's to replace QFT;
- A dominating theory in 50s'-70s' (Mandelstam, Chew) to understand strong interaction;
- Construct S-matrix by self-consistency relations;
- Leads to some interesting results such as Regge theory, Veneziano amplitude, etc;
- Becomes extremely complicated. Replaced by QCD;
- A revival in recent years (inspired by conformal bootstrap)

2D and integrability

- Simpler kinematics.
- Higher conserved charges Q_s ;
- In d > 2, S-matrix is trivial (Coleman-Mandula theorem);
- In d=2 (Coleman-Mandula does not apply), but
 - 1. S-matrix factorizes into 2 to 2 S-matrices;
 - 2. Purely elastic;

Bootstrap axioms

Kinematics in 2d

$$E^2 - p^2 = m^2$$
, $E(\theta) = m \cosh \theta$, $p(\theta) = m \sinh \theta$. (2.1)

The S-matrix satisfies the following axioms (Zamolodchikov-Zamolodchikov 1979)

• Unitarity

$$S_{ij}^{kl}(\theta_1 - \theta_2)S_{lk}^{nm}(\theta_2 - \theta_1) = \delta_i^m \delta_j^n. \tag{2.2}$$

• Crossing symmetry

$$S_{ij}^{kl}(\theta) = S_{\bar{l}i}^{\bar{j}k}(i\pi - \theta) \tag{2.3}$$

• Yang-Baxter equation

$$S_{ij}^{pr}(\theta_1 - \theta_2)S_{pk}^{lq}(\theta_1 - \theta_3)S_{rq}^{mn}(\theta_2 - \theta_3) = S_{jk}^{pr}(\theta_2 - \theta_3)S_{ir}^{qn}(\theta_1 - \theta_3)S_{qp}^{lm}(\theta_1 - \theta_2). \quad (2.4)$$

• Can be solved in a number of important cases;

The CDD factors

• Functions satisfy axioms

$$\Phi(\theta)\Phi(-\theta) = 1, \qquad \Phi(i\pi - \theta) = \Phi(\theta).$$
(2.5)

Castillejo-Dalitz-Dyson (CDD) factors (1956)

• A family of functions

$$\Phi(\theta) = \exp\left(i\sum_{s} \alpha_s \sinh(s\theta)\right), \quad s \text{ is odd}$$
(2.6)

Another family

$$\Phi(\theta) = \prod_{p}^{N} \frac{B_p - i \sinh \theta}{B_p + i \sinh \theta}$$
(2.7)

where B_p are real negative, or conjugate pairs with real negative part.

Physics Question

- Multiply $S^{kl}_{ij}(\theta)$ by a CDD factor $\Phi(\theta)$
 - 1. Integrability preserved \rightarrow Integrable deformation;
 - 2. IR physics not changed \rightarrow Irrelevant deformation;
- What does it do at the Lagrangian level? What is the property of the new theory?
- TTbar and higher deformations!

3 Review of TTbar deformation

Definitions

• Lagrangian formalism

$$\partial_{\lambda} \mathcal{L}_{\lambda} = T\bar{T}, \qquad T\bar{T} = \det T_{ij} = T_{11}T_{22} - T_{12}T_{21}$$
 (3.1)

• S-matrix formalism

$$S_{ij}^{kl}(\theta_1, \theta_2) \mapsto e^{-i\lambda(p_1 E_2 - p_2 E_1)} S_{ij}^{kl}(\theta_1, \theta_2)$$
 (3.2)

• Hamiltonian formalism (more detail later)

$$\partial_{\lambda}H = \int T\bar{T}(x)\mathrm{d}x \tag{3.3}$$

Classical aspects

• Free massless boson

$$\mathcal{L}_0 = \partial \phi \bar{\partial} \phi, \qquad \partial = \frac{1}{2} (\partial_x - i \partial_y), \qquad \bar{\partial} = \frac{1}{2} (\partial_x + i \partial_y).$$
 (3.4)

Deformed Lagrangian

$$\mathcal{L}_0 \mapsto \mathcal{L}_\lambda = \frac{1}{2\lambda} \left(\sqrt{4\lambda \partial \phi \bar{\partial} \phi + 1} - 1 \right) = -\frac{1}{2\lambda} + \mathcal{L}_{NG}$$
 (3.5)

where

$$\mathcal{L}_{NG} = \frac{1}{2\lambda} \sqrt{\det(\partial_{\alpha} X \cdot \partial_{\beta} X)}, \qquad X^{1} = x, \quad X^{2} = y, \quad X^{3} = \sqrt{\lambda} \phi/2.$$
 (3.6)

Some comments

- 1. Relation to string theory (non-locality);
- 2. Quantization (effective QCD string);
- Relation to 2D gravity
 - 1. $T\bar{T}$ deformation of a QFT \leftrightarrow Couple the QFT to 2D gravity

2. Deformed action

$$S_0 \mapsto S_\lambda = S_{\text{grav}}[g_{\mu\nu}] + S_0[g_{\mu\nu}, \phi].$$
 (3.7)

where $S_0[g_{\mu\nu}, \phi]$ is action on metric $g_{\mu\nu}$. First order formalism

$$g_{\mu\nu} = \delta_{ab} e^a_{\mu} e^b_{\nu} \tag{3.8}$$

and

$$S_{\text{grav}}[g_{\mu\nu}] = \frac{1}{2\lambda} \int d^2x \, \varepsilon^{\mu\nu} \varepsilon_{ab} (\delta^a_\mu - e^a_\mu) (\delta^b_\nu - e^b_\nu). \tag{3.9}$$

We have

$$Z_{\lambda}[\phi] \sim \int \mathcal{D}e \, e^{\frac{1}{2\lambda} \int d^2x \, \varepsilon^{\mu\nu} \varepsilon_{ab} (\delta^a_{\mu} - e^a_{\mu}) (\delta^b_{\nu} - e^b_{\nu})} Z_0[e^a_{\mu}; \phi]$$
 (3.10)

Integrate out e^a_μ , at classical level, we obtain $S_\lambda[\phi]$.

Finite volume spectrum

• Factorization formula (Zamolodchikov 2004)

$$\langle n|T\bar{T}|n\rangle = \langle n|T_{xx}|n\rangle\langle n|T_{yy}|n\rangle - \langle n|T_{xy}|n\rangle\langle n|T_{yx}|n\rangle \tag{3.11}$$

Proof based on

- 1. Translational invariance;
- 2. Conservation law $\partial_{\mu}T^{\mu\nu} = 0$.
- Expectation value of stress tensor

$$\mathcal{E}_n(R,\lambda) = -R\langle n|T_{yy}|n\rangle, \qquad \partial_R \mathcal{E}_n(R,\lambda) = -\langle n|T_{xx}|n\rangle \tag{3.12}$$

and (for relativistic QFT)

$$P_n = -iR\langle n|T_{xy}|n\rangle = -iR\langle n|T_{yx}|n\rangle. \tag{3.13}$$

• Flow equation

From definition of $T\bar{T}$ deformation

$$\partial_{\lambda} \mathcal{E}(R, \lambda) = -R \langle n | T\bar{T} | n \rangle. \tag{3.14}$$

We obtain flow equation

$$\partial_{\lambda} \mathcal{E}_{n}(R,\lambda) = \mathcal{E}_{n}(R,\lambda)\partial_{R} \mathcal{E}_{n}(R,\lambda) + \frac{1}{R}P_{n}^{2}$$
(3.15)

For $P_n = 0$, inviscid Burgers' equation

$$\mathcal{E}_n(R,\lambda) = \mathcal{E}_n(R + \lambda \mathcal{E}_n, 0) \tag{3.16}$$

• Undeformed CFT spectrum

$$\mathcal{E}_n^{\text{CFT}}(R,0) = E_n(R) = \frac{1}{R} \left(n + \bar{n} - \frac{c}{12} \right), \qquad P_n(R) = \frac{1}{R} (n - \bar{n}).$$
 (3.17)

Deformed spectrum

$$\mathcal{E}_n(R,\lambda) = \frac{R}{2\lambda} \left(\sqrt{1 + \frac{4\lambda E_n}{R} + \frac{4\lambda^2 P_n^2}{R^2}} - 1 \right). \tag{3.18}$$

Comments

- 1. Different signs of λ ;
- 2. For other cases, solve PDE numerically.

Torus partition function

• CFT torus partition function

$$Z(\tau, \bar{\tau}) = \sum_{n} e^{2\pi i R \tau_1 R P_n - 2\pi \tau_2 R E_n}, \qquad \tau = \tau_1 + i \tau_2, \qquad \bar{\tau} = \tau_1 - i \tau_2.$$
 (3.19)

The $T\bar{T}$ deformed partition function

$$Z_{T\bar{T}}(\tau,\bar{\tau}|\lambda) = \sum_{n} e^{2\pi i R \tau_1 R P_n - 2\pi \tau_2 R \mathcal{E}_n(\lambda)}$$
(3.20)

• Modular invariance

$$Z\left(\frac{a\tau+b}{c\tau+d}, \frac{a\bar{\tau}+b}{c\bar{\tau}+d}\right) = Z(\tau, \bar{\tau}), \qquad a, b, c, d \in \mathbb{Z}, \quad ad-bc = 1.$$
 (3.21)

Under $T\bar{T}$ deformation, not conformal invariant. However,

$$Z_{T\bar{T}}\left(\frac{a\tau+b}{c\tau+d}, \frac{a\bar{\tau}+b}{c\bar{\tau}+d} \middle| \lambda\right) = Z_{T\bar{T}}\left(\tau, \bar{\tau} \middle| \lambda\right)$$
(3.22)

• Uniqueness.

Consider trivially solvable deformation

$$H \mapsto \mathcal{H}(H, P, \tilde{\lambda}), \qquad P \mapsto P$$
 (3.23)

 $\tilde{\lambda}$ is dimensionless parameter. Trivially diagonalized

$$\mathcal{H}(H, P, \tilde{\lambda})|n\rangle = \mathcal{H}(E_n, P_n, \tilde{\lambda})|n\rangle, \qquad P|n\rangle = P_n|n\rangle.$$
 (3.24)

Define

$$\mathcal{E}_n(\tilde{\lambda}) = \mathcal{H}(H, P, \tilde{\lambda}) \tag{3.25}$$

and

$$Z_{\text{def}}(\tau,\bar{\tau}|\tilde{\lambda}) = \sum_{n} e^{2\pi i R \tau_1 R P_n - 2\pi \tau_2 R \mathcal{E}_n(\tilde{\lambda})}.$$
 (3.26)

Require modular invariance

$$Z_{\text{def}}\left(\frac{a\tau+b}{c\tau+d}, \frac{a\bar{\tau}+b}{c\bar{\tau}+d} \middle| \frac{\tilde{\lambda}}{|c\tau+d|^2}\right) = Z_{\text{def}}(\tau, \bar{\tau}|\tilde{\lambda})$$
(3.27)

We can fix $\mathcal{H}(H, P, \tilde{\lambda})$ uniquely to be

$$\mathcal{E}_n(\tilde{\lambda}) = \frac{1}{\tilde{\lambda}\pi R} \left(\sqrt{1 + 2\pi \tilde{\lambda}RE_n + \tilde{\lambda}^2 \pi^2 R^2 P_n^2} - 1 \right)$$
(3.28)

where $\tilde{\lambda} = 2\lambda/(\pi R^2)$.

• Density of states

$$\rho(E) = \frac{2\pi R (2c/3\pi)^{1/4}}{[E(E\lambda + 4R)]^{3/4}} \times \exp\left[\sqrt{\frac{2\pi cRE}{3}} \left(1 + \frac{E\lambda}{4R}\right)\right]$$
(3.29)

1. In the IR limit $Et \ll R$,

$$\rho_{\rm IR}(E) \approx \mathcal{N}_C E^{-3/4} \exp\left(\sqrt{\frac{2c\pi RE}{3}}\right), \quad \text{Cardy behavior}$$
(3.30)

2. In the UV limit $Et \gg R$,

$$\rho_{\rm UV}(E) \approx \mathcal{N}_H E^{-3/2} \exp\left(\sqrt{\frac{\pi c \lambda}{6}} E\right), \quad \text{Hagedorn behavior.}$$
(3.31)

Comment

- 1. 2d local QFT exhibit Cardy behavior
- 2. Hagedorn behavior is typical for strings.
- 3. Hagedorn temperature $\beta_H = \sqrt{\pi c \lambda/6}$. Theoretical temperature upper bound.

4 Higher deformations

Higher conserved currents

- Integrable QFT;
- Conserved currents

$$\partial_{\bar{z}} T_{s+1}(z,\bar{z}) = \partial_z \Theta_{s-1}(z,\bar{z}), \qquad \partial_z \bar{T}_{s+1} = \partial_{\bar{z}} \bar{\Theta}_{s-1}(z,\bar{z})$$

$$(4.1)$$

• Irrelevant operators

$$X_{s}(z,\bar{z}) = \lim_{(z,\bar{z})\to(z',\bar{z}')} \left(T_{s+1}(z,\bar{z}) \bar{T}_{s+1}(z',\bar{z}') - \Theta_{s-1}(z,\bar{z}) \bar{\Theta}(z',\bar{z}') \right) + \text{derivative terms}$$

$$(4.2)$$

where $s=1,3,\cdots$. Here s=1 is the $T\bar{T}$ operator.

• Deformation

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial \lambda} S_{\lambda} = \int X_s(z, \bar{z}) \, \mathrm{d}^2 z. \tag{4.3}$$

• Factorization/solvability

$$\langle n|X_s|n\rangle = \langle n|T_{s+1}|n\rangle\langle n|\bar{T}_{s+1}|n\rangle - \langle n|\Theta_{s-1}|n\rangle\langle n|\bar{\Theta}_{s-1}|n\rangle \tag{4.4}$$

• CDD factors

$$\frac{\partial \mathcal{L}_{\lambda}}{\partial \lambda} = X_s \quad \leftrightarrow \quad S_{ij}^{kl}(\theta) \mapsto S_{ij}^{kl}(\theta) e^{i\lambda \sinh(s\theta)} \tag{4.5}$$

where $\lambda = g_s m^{2s}$.

5 Hamiltonian formalism

Bilinear deformation

• Two conserved currents

$$\partial_{\mu} \mathcal{J}_{1}^{\mu} = 0, \qquad \partial_{\mu} \mathcal{J}_{2}^{\mu} = 0.$$
 (5.1)

with

$$\mathcal{J}_1^{\mu} = (\hat{q}_1, J_1), \qquad \mathcal{J}_2^{\mu} = (\hat{q}_2, J_2).$$
 (5.2)

Conserved charges

$$Q_1 = \int \hat{q}_1(x) dx, \qquad Q_2 = \int \hat{q}_2(x) dx.$$
 (5.3)

• Bilinear deformation

$$\frac{\mathrm{d}H_{\lambda}}{\mathrm{d}\lambda} = \int \mathcal{O}_{JJ}(x)\mathrm{d}x, \qquad \mathcal{O}_{JJ} = -\varepsilon_{\mu\nu}\mathcal{J}_1^{\mu}\mathcal{J}_2^{\nu}. \tag{5.4}$$

• Taking two conserved currents

$$\mathcal{J}_1^{\mu} = \mathcal{J}_{\mathcal{H}}^{\mu} = (\mathcal{H}, J_{\mathcal{H}}), \qquad \mathcal{J}_2^{\mu} = \mathcal{J}_{\mathcal{P}}^{\mu} = (\mathcal{P}, J_{\mathcal{P}})$$
 (5.5)

we have $\mathcal{O}_{JJ} = T\bar{T}$.

Bilocal deformation

• Define

$$\frac{\mathrm{d}H_{\lambda}}{\mathrm{d}\lambda} = [X, H_{\lambda}] \tag{5.6}$$

• Algebra preserving deformation.

$$[Q_a, Q_b] = f_{abc} Q_c, \qquad \frac{\mathrm{d}}{\mathrm{d}\lambda} Q_a(\lambda) = [X, Q_a(\lambda)]. \tag{5.7}$$

Easy to prove that

$$[Q_a(\lambda), Q_b(\lambda)] = f_{abc} Q_c(\lambda). \tag{5.8}$$

• Integrable models : $[Q_a, Q_b] = 0$

$$[Q_a(\lambda), Q_b(\lambda)] = 0. (5.9)$$

Equivalence of two deformations

• Take X to be bilocal operator

$$X_{JJ} = i \int_{x_1 < x_2} \hat{q}_1(x_1) \hat{q}_2(x_2) \, \mathrm{d}x_1 \mathrm{d}x_2. \tag{5.10}$$

Using $\partial_t \hat{q}_1 = i[H, \hat{q}_1]$ and $\partial_t \hat{q}_2 = i[H, \hat{q}_2]$, we find

$$[X_{JJ}, H] = \int_{s_{\rm L}}^{s_{\rm R}} \mathcal{O}_{JJ}(x) dx - J_1(s_{\rm L}) Q_2 + J_2(s_{\rm R}) Q_1.$$
 (5.11)

• Boundary conditions

1. Infinite line

$$[X_{JJ}, H] = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \mathcal{O}_{JJ}(x) dx, \qquad (5.12)$$

Two deformations are equivalent.

2. Periodic boundary condition

$$[X_{JJ}, H] = \int_0^R \mathcal{O}_{JJ}(x) dx - J_1(0)Q_2 + J_2(0)Q_1.$$
 (5.13)

• Flow equation

Take $\mathcal{J}_1^{\mu} = \mathcal{J}_{\mathcal{H}}^{\mu}$ and $\mathcal{J}_2^{\mu} = \mathcal{J}_{\mathcal{P}}^{\mu}$,

$$\langle n|H|n\rangle = E_n, \quad \langle n|P|n\rangle = P_n, \quad \langle n|J_{\mathcal{H}}|n\rangle = P_n/R, \quad \langle n|J_{\mathcal{P}}|n\rangle = -\partial_R E_n. \quad (5.14)$$

and

$$\langle n|[X_{JJ}, H]|n\rangle = 0. (5.15)$$

We find that

$$\partial_{\lambda} E_n = E_n \partial_R E_n + \frac{P_n^2}{R} \tag{5.16}$$

- Comments
 - 1. First proposed for deforming spin chains;
 - 2. Realized it is related to TTbar in 2019;
 - 3. Applied to Bose-gas;

Deformed S-matrix

- An infinite system (QFT, non-relativistic QFT, spin chain)
- Asymptotic two-particle state

$$|u, u'\rangle = a(u, u')|u < u'\rangle + a(u', u)|u' < u\rangle + \text{local contributions}$$
 (5.17)

where the S-matrix is given by

$$S(u, u') = \frac{a(u', u)}{a(u, u')}. (5.18)$$

• Deformed asymptotic state

$$|u, u'\rangle_{\lambda} \approx a_{\lambda}(u, u')|u < u'\rangle + a_{\lambda}(u', u)|u' < u\rangle + \cdots$$
 (5.19)

From eigenvalue equation

$$H_{\lambda}|u,u'\rangle_{\lambda} = [h(u) + h(u')]|u,u'\rangle_{\lambda}$$
(5.20)

• Taking derivatives with respect to λ

$$\frac{\mathrm{d}}{\mathrm{d}\lambda} (H_{\lambda}|u, u'\rangle_{\lambda}) = [h(u) + h(u')] \frac{\mathrm{d}}{\mathrm{d}\lambda} |u, u'\rangle_{\lambda}$$
 (5.21)

• We obtain

$$X_{JJ}|u,u'\rangle_{\lambda} = \frac{\mathrm{d}a_{\lambda}(u,u')}{\mathrm{d}\lambda}|u < u'\rangle + \frac{\mathrm{d}a_{\lambda}(u,u')}{\mathrm{d}\lambda}|u' < u\rangle \tag{5.22}$$

Using

$$X_{JJ}|u < u'\rangle = [h_1(u)h_2(u') + f_12(u) + f_{12}(u')]|u < u'\rangle,$$

$$X_{JJ}|u' < u\rangle = [h_1(u')h_2(u) + f_12(u') + f_{12}(u)]|u' < u\rangle,$$
(5.23)

we obtain

$$S_{\lambda}(u, u') = e^{-i\lambda[h_1(u)h_2(u') - h_1(u')h_2(u)]} S(u, u').$$
(5.24)

where

$$Q_1 = \sum_{j=1}^{N} h_1(u_j), \qquad Q_2 = \sum_{j=1}^{N} h_2(u_j).$$
 (5.25)

Comments

- 1. The CDD factors;
- 2. Derivation is universal (QFT, spin chain)

6 Deformed cold atom system

Lieb-Liniger model

• The Lieb-Liniger model (first quantized form)

$$H = -\sum_{i=1}^{N} \frac{\partial^{2}}{\partial x_{i}^{2}} + 2c \sum_{i < j}^{N} \delta(x_{i} - x_{j}).$$
 (6.1)

Alternatively as a non-relativistic QFT with Lagrangian (second quantized form)

$$\mathcal{L} = \frac{i}{2} \left(\phi^{\dagger} \partial_t \phi - \phi \partial_t \phi^{\dagger} \right) - \partial_x \phi \partial_x \phi^{\dagger} - c \phi \phi \phi^{\dagger} \phi^{\dagger}. \tag{6.2}$$

The Hamiltonian and momentum are given by

$$H = \int dx \left[\partial_x \phi(x) \partial_x \phi^{\dagger}(x) + c \phi^{\dagger}(x) \phi^{\dagger}(x) \phi(x) \phi(x) \right], \qquad (6.3)$$

$$P = -\frac{i}{2} \int \left(\phi^{\dagger}(x) \partial_x \phi(x) - \partial_x \phi^{\dagger}(x) \phi(x) \right).$$

ullet Spectrum (Solved by Bethe ansatz $|\mathbf{u}_N\rangle$)

$$e^{ip(u_j)L} \prod_{k \neq j}^{N} S(u_j, u_k) = 1, \qquad e(u) = u^2, \quad p(u) = u$$
 (6.4)

and

$$S(u,v) = \frac{u-v-ic}{u-v+ic}.$$
(6.5)

We find

$$E_N = \sum_{j=1}^N e(u_j), \qquad Q_a |\mathbf{u}_N\rangle = \sum_{j=1}^N h_a(u_j) |\mathbf{u}_N\rangle$$
 (6.6)

Bilinear deformation

• Bilinear/bilocal deformation with $\mathcal{J}_a^{\mu} = (\hat{q}_a, J_a), a = 1, 2.$

$$\frac{\mathrm{d}}{\mathrm{d}\lambda}H_{\lambda} = i \int \left(\hat{q}_1(x)J_2(x) - \hat{q}_2(x)J_1(x)\right) \mathrm{d}x \tag{6.7}$$

• Deformed S-matrix

$$S(u,v) \mapsto S_{\lambda}(u,v) = \frac{u - v - ic}{u - v + ic} e^{-i\lambda[h_1(u)h_2(v) - h_1(v)h_2(u)]}$$
(6.8)

Conserved charges

$$\{Q_a\} = \{Q_0, Q_1, Q_2, \cdots\} \tag{6.9}$$

where

$$Q_0 = \hat{N}, \qquad Q_1 = \hat{P}, \qquad Q_2 = \hat{H}.$$
 (6.10)

• $[Q_1Q_2] \leftrightarrow T\bar{T}$, The simplest case $[Q_0Q_1]$ (hard rod deformation)

$$h_0(u) = 1,$$
 $h_1(u) = u,$ $h_2(u) = u^2.$ (6.11)

phase shift

$$\theta(u,v) = -i\log S(u,v), \qquad \lim_{c \to 0} \theta(u,v) = -\pi \operatorname{sgn}(u-v)$$
(6.12)

Deformed S-matrix

$$\theta_{\lambda}(u,v) = -\pi \operatorname{sgn}(u-v) + \lambda (u-v). \tag{6.13}$$

The hard rod model

$$H_{HR} = -\sum_{j=1}^{N} \frac{\partial^2}{\partial x_j^2} + \sum_{i < j}^{N} v(x_i - x_j), \qquad v(x) = \begin{cases} \infty, & |x| < a; \\ 0, & |x| > a. \end{cases}$$
 (6.14)

This deforms point particles to hard rods of length $|\lambda|$.

• Deformed spectrum

$$\partial_{\lambda} E_N = N \partial_R E_N - P_N \langle \mathbf{u}_N | J_{\hat{N}} | \mathbf{u}_N \rangle \tag{6.15}$$

For $P_N = 0$, we have $\partial_{\lambda} E_N = N \partial_R E_N$.

Comment

- 1. Different signs of λ ,
- 2. Discuss for free boson;
- $T\bar{T}$ deformation

$$\partial_{\lambda} E_N = E_N \partial_R E_N - P_N \langle \mathbf{u}_N | J_H | \mathbf{u}_N \rangle \tag{6.16}$$

- Deformed classical Lagrangian can be found
- Interpreted in terms of Newton-Cartan geometry

7 Deformed spin chain

Spin chain current

• The spin chain Hamiltonian

$$H = \sum_{x} \hat{h}(x) \tag{7.1}$$

The Hamiltonian density $\hat{h}(x)$ is well-defined. Current density $J_q(x)$ can be found by

$$\partial_t \hat{q}(x) = i[H, \hat{q}(x)] = -\partial_x J_q(x). \tag{7.2}$$

- No momentum density operator. $P = \log U$.
- No $T\bar{T}$ and hard rod deformation.

Hard rod deformation

- What is a hard rod deformation for spin chain?
- Constrained XXZ spin chain

$$H_{t} = -\frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=1}^{L} P_{t} \left(\sigma_{i}^{x} \sigma_{i+1}^{x} + \sigma_{i}^{y} \sigma_{i+1}^{y} + \Delta \sigma_{i}^{z} \sigma_{i+1}^{z} \right) P_{t}$$
 (7.3)

where

$$P_{t} = \prod_{i} \left[\frac{1}{2} (1 - \sigma_{i}^{z}) + \frac{1}{2} (1 + \sigma_{i}^{z}) \prod_{l=1}^{t} (1 - \sigma_{i+l}^{z}) \right]$$
(7.4)

is a projection.

- No two down spins have distance smaller than t.
- Folded XXZ spin chain

$$H_2 = -\frac{1}{4} \sum_{j=1}^{L} (1 + \sigma_j^z \sigma_{j+3}^z) (\sigma_{j+1}^+ \sigma_{j+2}^- + \sigma_{j+1}^- \sigma_{j+1}^+)$$
 (7.5)

The S-matrix is given by

$$S(p_1, p_2) = -e^{-i(p_1 - p_2)}. (7.6)$$

A spin chain hard rod of length 2.

• Interesting also from thermalization.

8 Future directions

- CDD factors and local QFTs;
- Correlation functions (form factors);
- Deformed algebra (Virasoro, Yangian);