Yang-Baxter Integrable Lindblad equations

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Integrability is a very useful tool:

- quantum condensed matter
- quantum impurity problems
- classical stat. mech.
- stochastic processes
- random tilings
- string theory
- ultra-cold cold atoms
- combinatorics

If the only tool you have is a hammer, you tend to see every problem as a nail.

A (fairly) new kind of nail: Open Quantum Systems.

Lindblad equation for open quantum systems

Important as even cold atom systems are not perfectly isolated



Goal: determine e.g. $Tr[\rho_{S}(t) O_{S}(x)]$

Os(x) = local operator
acting on system

Assumptions: separation of time scales

$$\tau_S \gg \delta t \gg \tau_E$$

(integrate out bath avoiding retardation)

Lindblad equation for the reduced density matrix

$$\frac{\partial \rho_S}{\partial t} = -i[H_S, \rho_S] + \underbrace{\sum_{k=1}^M L_k \rho_S(t) L_k^{\dagger} - \frac{1}{2} \{ L_k^{\dagger} L_k, \rho_S(t) \}}_{D[\rho_S]}$$

Lk: jump operators, describe coupling to environment

Are there integrable Lindblad equations?

"Superoperator formalism"



n,m

Operators acting from the left/right:

$$\mathcal{O}\rho \to \mathcal{O} | \rho \rangle \equiv \sum_{n,m} \langle n | \rho | m \rangle \left(\mathcal{O} | m \rangle \right) | n \rangle \rangle$$
$$\rho \mathcal{O} \to \widetilde{\mathcal{O}} | \rho \rangle \equiv \sum_{n,m} \langle n | \rho | m \rangle | m \rangle (\widetilde{\mathcal{O}} | n \rangle \rangle)$$

 $\langle n' | \widetilde{\mathcal{O}} | n \rangle = \langle n | \mathcal{O} | n' \rangle$

for bosonic ops

Lindblad eqn becomes

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial t} |\rho\rangle = \mathscr{L} |\rho\rangle$$

$$\mathcal{L} = -iH + i\widetilde{H} + \sum_{a} \gamma_{a} \left[L_{a}\widetilde{L}_{a}^{\dagger} - \frac{1}{2} \left(L_{a}^{\dagger}L_{a} + \widetilde{L}_{a}\widetilde{L}_{a}^{\dagger} \right) \right]$$

Search for Lindblad equations for which \mathscr{L} is the (non-hermitian) Hamiltonian of a quantum integrable model.

Medvedyeva, Essler & Prosen '16 Rowlands & Lamacraft '18, Shibata & Katsura '19 Essler& Ziolkowska '20, Essler& Piroli '21, Robertson & Essler '21 Buca et al '20, Nakagawa, Kawakami & Ueda `20 de Leeuw, Paletta & Pozsgay '21 ...

Setup considered here

jump ops act on all n.n. bonds



Lindbladian:
$$\mathscr{L} = -iH + i\widetilde{H} + \gamma \sum_{j} \left[L_{j}\widetilde{L}_{j}^{\dagger} - \frac{1}{2} \left(L_{j}^{\dagger}L_{j} + \widetilde{L}_{j}\widetilde{L}_{j}^{\dagger} \right) \right]$$

structure of a 2-leg ladder



Lindblad structure is **very restrictive** and most integrable ladders cannot be accommodated.

Hubbard-like models

Integrability structure of Hubbard is unusual Shastry '88 "Glueing together" two XX models

 $R_{[12],[34]}(\lambda,\mu) = r_{13}(\lambda-\mu) \ r_{24}(\lambda-\mu) + h(\lambda,\mu) \ r_{13}(\lambda+\mu) \ C_1 \ r_{24}(\lambda+\mu) \ C_2$

YBE: $r_{12}(\lambda_{12})r_{13}(\lambda_{13})r_{23}(\lambda_{23}) = r_{23}(\lambda_{23})r_{13}(\lambda_{13})r_{12}(\lambda_{12})$

"Decorated YBE":

 $r_{12}(\lambda_1 + \lambda_2)C_1r_{13}(\lambda_1 - \lambda_3)r_{23}(\lambda_2 + \lambda_3) = r_{23}(\lambda_2 + \lambda_3)r_{13}(\lambda_1 - \lambda_3)C_1r_{12}(\lambda_1 + \lambda_2)$

Conjugation matrix: $C^2 = 1$

This structure (essentially) ensures a Lindblad interpretation.

$$H = \sum_{j} a_j^{\dagger} a_{j+1} + a_{j+1}^{\dagger} a_j \qquad \qquad L_j = \sqrt{2u} a_j^{\dagger} a_j$$

or, via Jordan–Wigner

$$H = \sum_{j} \sigma_j^+ \sigma_{j+1}^- + \sigma_j^- \sigma_{j+1}^+ \qquad \qquad L_j = \sqrt{\frac{u}{2}} \sigma_j^z$$

$$\mathscr{L} = -i \sum_{j,\sigma} c_{j,\sigma}^{\dagger} c_{j+1,\sigma} + c_{j+1,\sigma}^{\dagger} c_{j,\sigma} + 4u \sum_{j} \left(n_{j,\uparrow} - \frac{1}{2} \right) \left(n_{j,\downarrow} - \frac{1}{2} \right)$$

imaginary t Hubbard model

Maassarani models and GL(N,M) generalisations

Maassarani '98

Drummond et al '07

Maassarani: N bosonic states per site

$$H = \sum_{j} P_{j,j+1}^{(3)}, \qquad L_j = C_j$$

 $P_{j,j+1}^{(3)} = \sum_{a \in A} \sum_{b \in B} e^{i\varphi_{ab}} E_j^{ba} E_{j+1}^{ab} + e^{-i\varphi_{ab}} E_j^{ab} E_{j+1}^{ba}$

$$C_j = \sum_{b \in B} E_j^{bb} - \sum_{a \in A} E_j^{aa}$$

$$\mathcal{L} = -i\sum_{j} P_{j,j+1}^{(3)} - \widetilde{P}_{j,j+1}^{(3)} + U\sum_{j} C_{j}\widetilde{C}_{j},$$

Integrable Liouvillian

Example N=3:

$$H = -\mathscr{P}\sum_{j,\sigma} \left[c_{j+1,\sigma}^{\dagger} c_{j,\sigma} + h.c. \right] \mathscr{P},$$

$$L_j = 2 - 2(1 - n_{j,\uparrow})(1 - n_{j,\downarrow})$$

 $\mathscr{P} = \prod_{j=1}^{L} (1 - n_{j,\uparrow} n_{j,\downarrow})$

Infinite-U Hubbard model with dephasing noise



Jin, Krajenbrink & Bernard '20 Bauer, Bernard & Jin '19, '20

spin-1/2 chain coupled to quantum noise

$$H(t) = \sum_{j=1}^{L} \kappa_{j}(t)\sigma_{j}^{+}\sigma_{j+1}^{-} + \bar{\kappa}_{j}(t)\sigma_{j}^{-}\sigma_{j+1}^{+}$$

$$\mathrm{Tr}_{E}\Big[\rho_{E}\kappa_{j}(t)\bar{\kappa}_{k}(t')\Big] = J_{1}\delta_{j,k}\delta(t-t') \qquad \mathrm{Tr}_{E}\Big[\rho_{E}\bar{\kappa}_{j}(t)\kappa_{k}(t')\Big] = J_{2}\delta_{j,k}\delta(t-t')$$

Average over quantum noise \rightarrow Lindblad equation

(i)
$$L_{j}^{(1)} = (L_{j}^{(2)})^{\dagger} = \sigma_{j}^{+}\sigma_{j+1}^{-}$$
 2 jump operators/link

(ii) no Hamiltonian part in the LE

Superoperator formalism:

 $|\uparrow\rangle_{j\ j}\langle\uparrow|\Rightarrow|1\rangle_{j}$ $|\downarrow\rangle_{j\ j}\langle\uparrow|\Rightarrow|2\rangle_{j}$ $|\uparrow\rangle_{j\ j}\langle\downarrow|\Rightarrow|3\rangle_{j}$ $|\downarrow\rangle_{j\ j}\langle\downarrow|\Rightarrow|4\rangle_{j}$

Basis of superoperators:

$$E_j^{ab} \equiv |a\rangle_{jj} \langle b|, \quad a, b \in \{1, 2, 3, 4\}$$

Lindblad equation:

$$\frac{d|\rho_{S}(t)\rangle}{dt} = \mathscr{L}|\rho_{S}(t)\rangle$$

$$\begin{split} \mathscr{L} &= \sum_{j} J_{1} E_{j}^{14} E_{j+1}^{41} + J_{2} E_{j}^{41} E_{j+1}^{14} - J_{1} E_{j}^{44} E_{j+1}^{11} - J_{2} E_{j}^{11} E_{j+1}^{44} \\ &- \frac{1}{2} \sum_{j} (E_{j}^{22} + E_{j}^{33}) (J_{1} E_{j+1}^{11} + J_{2} E_{j+1}^{44}) + (E_{j+1}^{22} + E_{j+1}^{33}) (J_{2} E_{j}^{11} + J_{1} E_{j}^{44}) \\ &+ \frac{J_{1} + J_{2}}{4} \sum_{j} (E_{j}^{22} E_{j+1}^{33} + E_{j}^{33} E_{j+1}^{22}) \,. \end{split}$$

Essler&Piroli '20

 $\mathscr L$ has an extensive number of strictly local conservation laws

$$[\mathscr{L}, E_j^{22}] = 0 = [\mathscr{L}, E_j^{33}]$$

j=1,..,L

 $\rightarrow \mathscr{L}$ is block-diagonal



Each block of the Lindbladian is integrable!

$$S^{-1}\mathscr{L}_{[m,n]}S = -\sqrt{\frac{J_1J_2}{2}} \left(2\Delta + \sum_{j=m}^{n-1} \left[\sigma_j^x \sigma_{j+1}^x + \sigma_j^y \sigma_{j+1}^y + \Delta \left(\sigma_j^z \sigma_{j+1}^z - 1 \right) \right] \right)$$

$$2\Delta = \sqrt{\frac{J_1}{J_2}} + \sqrt{\frac{J_2}{J_1}}$$

Defect-free sector: Asymmetric exclusion process (ASEP)

$$\mathscr{L}_{\text{ASEP}} = \sum_{j=1}^{L} \left[J_1 \sigma_j^+ \sigma_{j+1}^- + J_2 \sigma_j^- \sigma_{j+1}^+ + \frac{J_1 + J_2}{4} \left(\sigma_j^z \sigma_{j+1}^z - 1 \right) \right]$$

Spitzer '70 Gwa&Spohn '92 Derrida, Pasquier,...

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ightarrow can use integrability methods to determine spectrum of \mathscr{L}

What about correlation functions?

$$\operatorname{Tr}\left[\rho(t)\sigma_{1}^{+}\sigma_{\ell}^{-}\right] = \langle \boldsymbol{\phi} \,|\, E_{1}^{22}e^{\mathscr{L}_{[2,\ell-1]}t}E_{\ell}^{33}e^{\mathscr{L}_{[\ell+1,L]}t} \,|\, \rho(0) \rangle$$

where
$$\langle \boldsymbol{\phi} | = \bigotimes_{j=1}^{L} \left[{}_{j} \langle 1 | + {}_{j} \langle 4 | \right]$$

Not known how to calculate this for ASEP/XXZ.

Look at simpler problem:

$$L_{j}^{(1)} = \left(L_{j}^{(2)}\right)^{\dagger} = \sigma_{j}^{+}\sigma_{j+1}^{-} \qquad \qquad L_{j}^{(3)} = \left(L_{j}^{(4)}\right)^{\dagger} = \sigma_{j}^{+}\sigma_{j+1}^{+}$$

Here the corresponding Lindbladian has a **free fermion point** & exhibits operator-space fragmentation

Here we can calculate

$$\operatorname{Tr}\left[\rho(t)\sigma_{1}^{+}\sigma_{\ell}^{-}\right] = \langle \boldsymbol{\phi} \,|\, E_{1}^{22} e^{\mathscr{L}_{[2,\ell-1]}t} E_{\ell}^{33} e^{\mathscr{L}_{[\ell+1,L]}t} \,|\, \rho(0) \rangle$$

for simple $|\rho(0)\rangle$ by non-standard free-fermion methods.

Summary

- 1. Certain quantum master equations can be related to Yang-Baxter integrable models in interesting ways.
- 2. Spectral properties can be analysed using integrability.
- 3. Calculation of observables requires new methods.



Happy Birthday Hubert!