

Lecture 4

Vertex Models and introduction
to Algebraic Bethe Ansatz.

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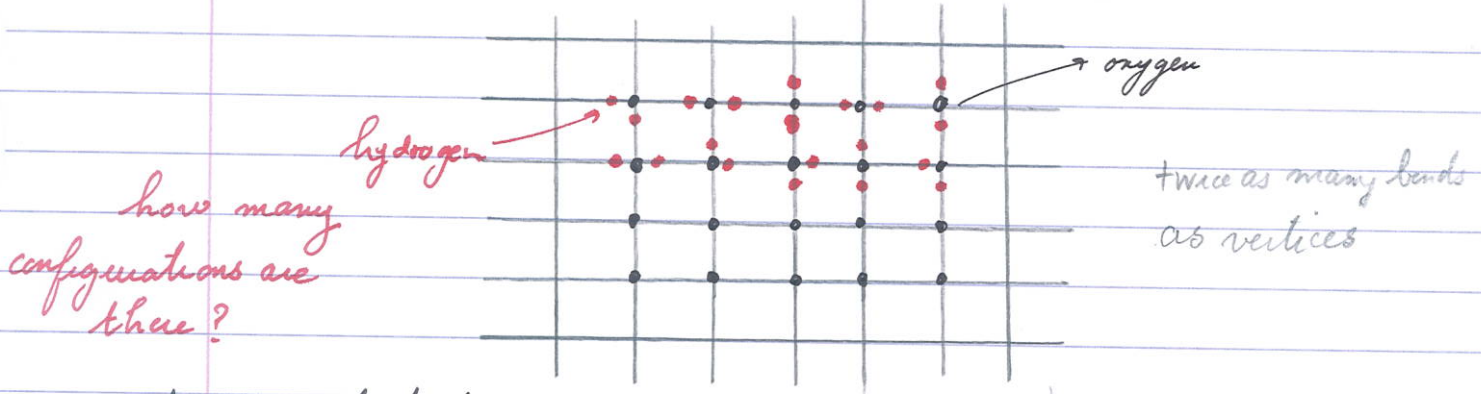
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Two-dimensional vertex models

These models of equilibrium statistical mechanics originated from a very concrete problem: "the entropy" of ice".

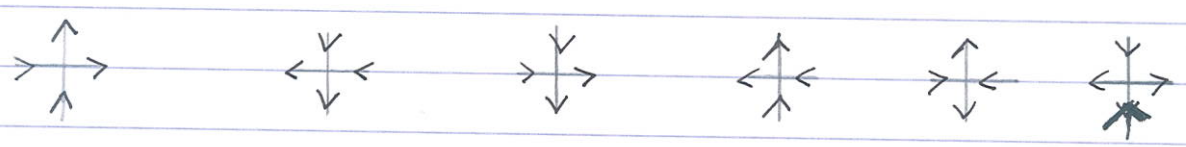
These systems were originally called ICE MODELS
 water H_2O : Put the Oxygen atoms on a lattice; the hydrogens on the edges of the lattice. Each O must have two H's close to it. (one per bond)



An equivalent drawing = use arrows

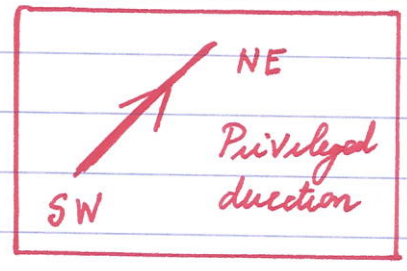
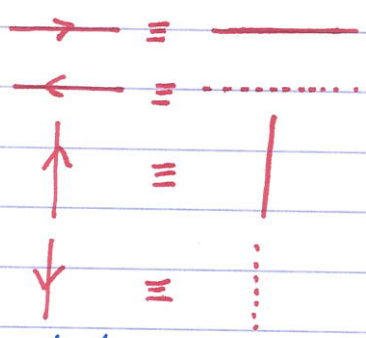
- 2 arrows pointing towards a vertex
 - 2 arrows going away from a vertex
- } 6 POSSIBILITIES

Dipole representation



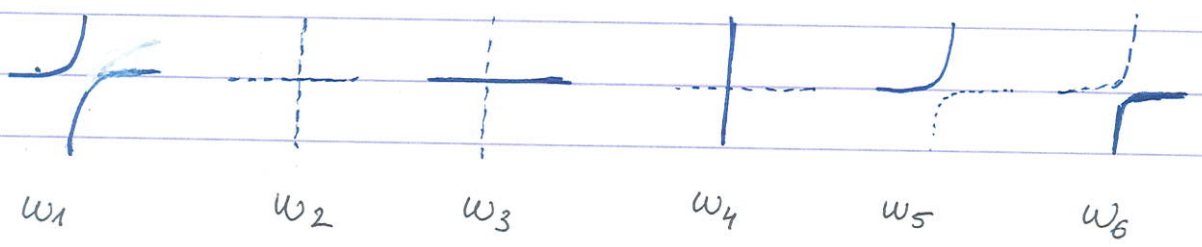
line configuration

Convention :



Then, the dipoles can be represented as :

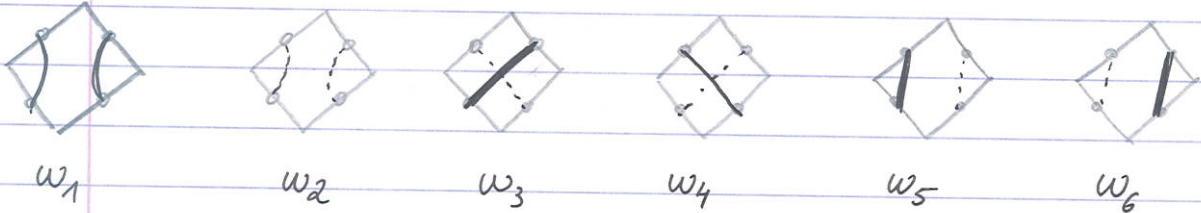
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Relation with the exclusion process

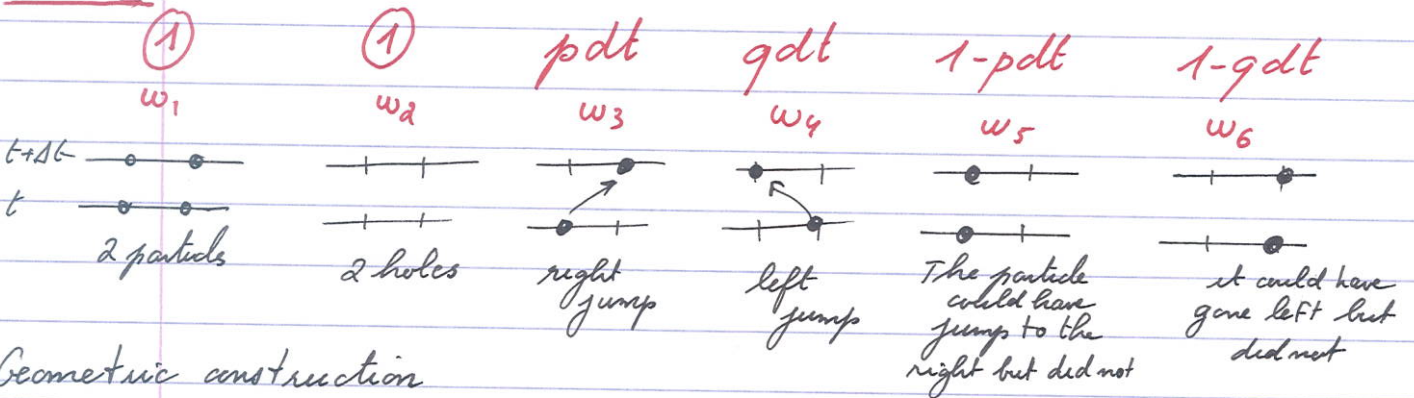
(Domany, Kandel, Nienhuis)

Rotate the vertices by 45°:



This can be viewed as trajectories of particles

WEIGHTS:

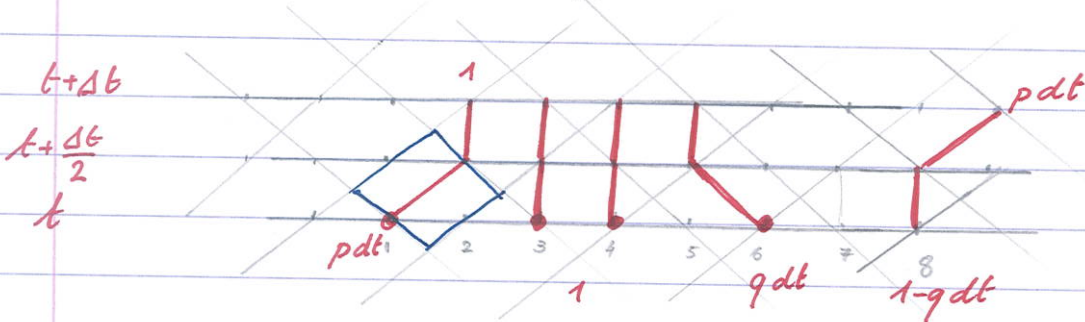


Geometric construction

6 vertex \leftrightarrow ASEP

Discretize time. Consider a parallel dynamics ^{of ASEP}: even sites are updated every other step, odd sites are updated in between:

$$t, t + \frac{\Delta t}{2}, t + \Delta t, \dots$$



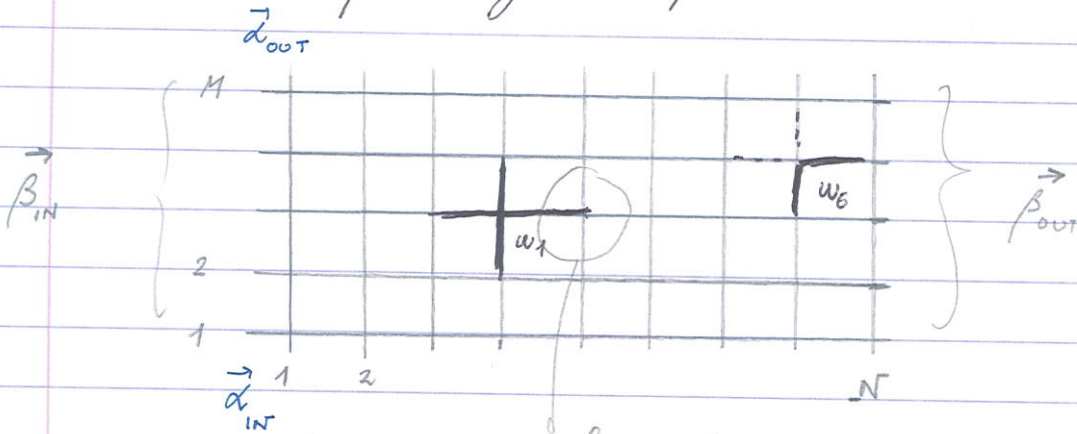
trajectories of ASEP build a vertex model.

$\Delta t \rightarrow 0$: continuous-time sequential ASEP.

we now explain a more formal relation

Statistical mechanics of the 6-vertex model (equilibrium):

each vertex has a weight: w_1, \dots, w_6
 The model is defined e.g. on a square lattice $M \times N$



here only w_1, w_3 or w_5 are possible

At the boundaries: (i) we can fix incoming and outgoing lines and count the weight of the possible configurations

$$\vec{\alpha}_{IN} = (\underbrace{1, \dots, 1}_{n \text{ components}}) \quad \vec{\beta}_{IN} = (\dots, \dots, -, -, \dots)$$

i.e. $\vec{\alpha}_{IN}, \vec{\alpha}_{OUT}, \vec{\beta}_{IN}, \vec{\beta}_{OUT}$ are given

(ii) $\vec{\alpha}_{IN}, \vec{\beta}_{IN}$ fixed & $\vec{\alpha}_{OUT}, \vec{\beta}_{OUT}$ free

(iii) Periodic boundary conditions in β

$$\vec{\beta}_{IN} = \vec{\beta}_{OUT} \text{ [NOT FIXED]}, \quad \vec{\alpha}_{IN} \& \vec{\alpha}_{OUT} \text{ fixed}$$

Models a time-evolution \uparrow time \rightarrow space : calculates the weight to evolve from $\vec{\alpha}_{IN}$ TO $\vec{\alpha}_{OUT}$.

(iv) Totally periodic b.c. in both directions etc...

ANYWAY: • The weight of a given configuration is the product of the vertices that make it

$$W(\mathcal{C}) = w_1^{n_1} w_2^{n_2} \dots w_6^{n_6} \quad n_i = \# \text{ vertices of type } i$$

• The partition function Z is given by

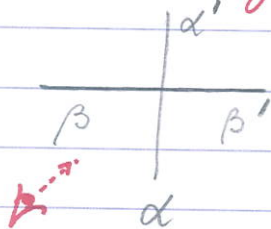
$$Z(\{w_i\}, M, N, \vec{\alpha}_{IN}, \vec{\alpha}_{OUT}, \vec{\beta}_{IN}, \vec{\beta}_{OUT})$$

$$= \sum_{\text{admissible configurations taking into account b.c.}} w_1^{n_1} \dots w_6^{n_6}$$

(This corresponds to case (c), the other cases can be reached by summing).

Adjacent vertices must patch \rightarrow Matrix Products
 \rightarrow Products of Transfer Matrices.

Notation for vertex weights:

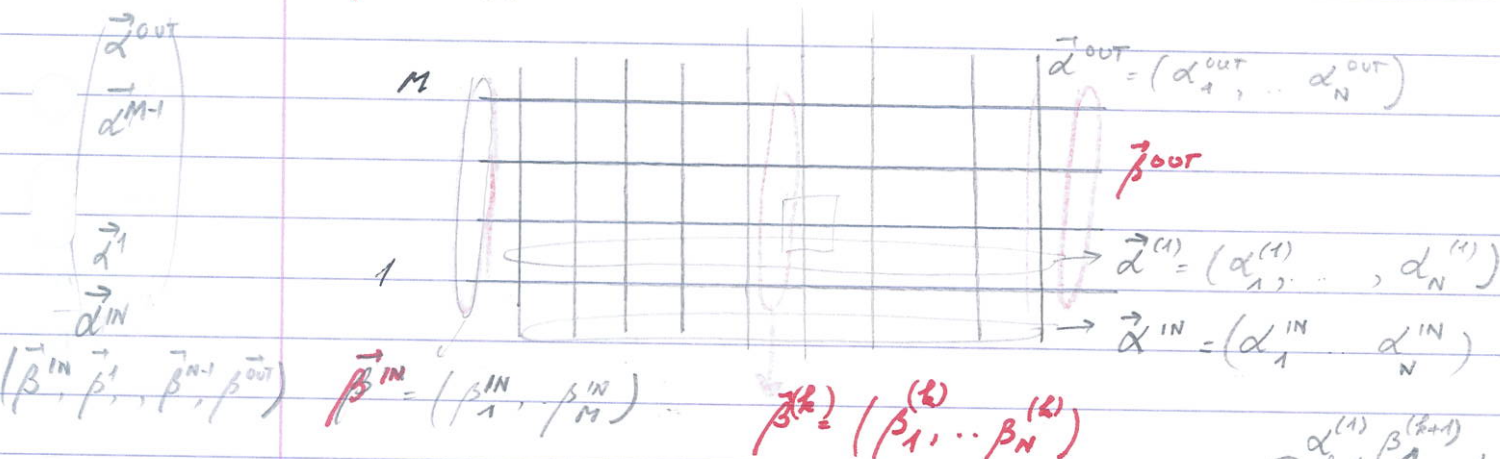


$\alpha, \beta =$ binary variables $\in \{0, 1\}$

WEIGHT:

$R^{\alpha' \beta'}$
 $\beta \alpha$

\nearrow look in this direction



Fully explicit weight of a configuration:

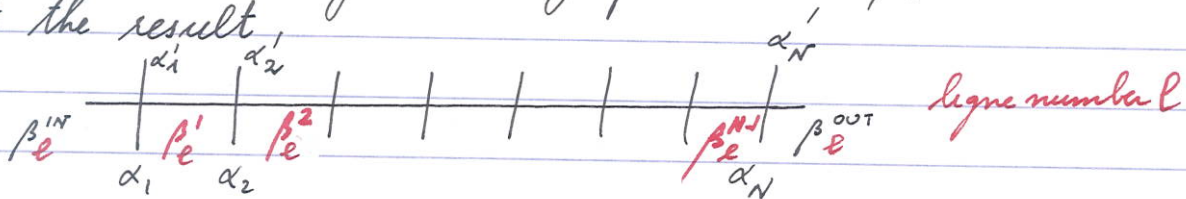
$$W(\beta) = R^{\alpha_1^{(1)} \beta_1^{(1)}} R^{\alpha_2^{(1)} \beta_2^{(1)}} R^{\alpha_3^{(1)} \beta_3^{(1)}} \dots R^{\alpha_N^{(1)} \beta_N^{(1)}} \text{ (organised per line (=row))}$$

$$\times R^{\alpha_1^{(2)} \beta_2^{(1)}} \dots R^{\alpha_{k+1}^{(2)} \beta_2^{(k+1)}} \dots R^{\alpha_N^{(2)} \beta_2^{(2)}}$$

$$\times \dots R^{\alpha_1^{(out)} \beta_M^{(1)}} \dots R^{\alpha_{k+1}^{(out)} \beta_M^{(k+1)}} \dots R^{\alpha_N^{(out)} \beta_M^{(out)}}$$

Then we must SUM over all configurations compatible with b.c. i.e. sum over all intermediate values of $\alpha_2^{(2)}, \beta_2^{(2)}$.

THEN each ~~line~~ ^{product} can be interpreted as a row to row transfer matrix. let's write the sum, by summing first over the β 's and interpret the result,



The transfer matrix from one row to the next one is given by

$$\sum_{\beta_e^1, \beta_e^2, \dots, \beta_e^{N-1}} R_{\beta_e^{IN}, \alpha_1}^{\alpha'_1, \beta_e^1} R_{\beta_e^1, \alpha_2}^{\alpha'_2, \beta_e^2} \dots R_{\beta_e^{N-1}, \alpha_N}^{\alpha'_N, \beta_e^{OUT}}$$

it may be line-dependent because of the index l

$$= \mathcal{T}_{\beta_e^{IN} \rightarrow \beta_e^{OUT}} (\vec{\alpha} \rightarrow \vec{\alpha}')$$

INPUTS $\vec{\alpha}, \beta_e^{IN}$
 OUTPUTS $\vec{\alpha}', \beta_e^{OUT}$

il faut donc traiter les indices en bas β, α ensemble en haut α', β' ensemble

$\mathcal{T}_{\beta_e^{IN} \rightarrow \beta_e^{OUT}}$ is a $2^L \times 2^L$ matrix : There are 4 such matrices:
 $\beta_e^{OUT} = 1, 0$ & $\beta_e^{IN} = 1, 0$

Rappel: A matrix $A_{ij} \leftrightarrow A(e_j \rightarrow e_i) = \langle e_i | A | e_j \rangle$
 INPUT \rightarrow column index
 OUTPUT \rightarrow row index (line index)

The building blocks are $R_{\beta \alpha}^{\alpha' \beta'}$
 OUTPUT: LINE
 INPUT: COLUMN

Efficient way to write $R_{\beta \alpha}^{\alpha' \beta'}$:

$$\begin{matrix} \beta^1 = 1, 0 \\ \beta = 1, 0 \end{matrix} R_{\alpha}^{\alpha'} = \begin{pmatrix} R_{1 \alpha}^{\alpha' 1} & R_{0 \alpha}^{\alpha' 1} \\ R_{1 \alpha}^{\alpha' 0} & R_{0 \alpha}^{\alpha' 0} \end{pmatrix} \quad \text{4 such matrices.}$$

consider this as a Matrix indexed by (α, α') called auxiliary space indices

$$R_1^1 = \begin{pmatrix} R_{11}^{11} & R_{10}^{11} \\ R_{11}^{01} & R_{10}^{01} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \vdots & \vdots \\ \vdots & \vdots \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} w_1 & 0 \\ 0 & w_3 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$R_0^0 = \begin{pmatrix} R_{01}^{10} & R_{00}^{10} \\ R_{01}^{00} & R_{00}^{00} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \vdots & \vdots \\ \vdots & \vdots \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} w_4 & 0 \\ 0 & w_2 \end{pmatrix}$$

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$$R_0^1 = \begin{pmatrix} R_{01}^{11} & R_{00}^{11} \\ R_{01}^{01} & R_{00}^{01} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} + & - \\ - & + \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ w_6 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$R_1^0 = \begin{pmatrix} R_{11}^{10} & R_{10}^{10} \\ R_{11}^{00} & R_{10}^{00} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} - & + \\ + & - \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & w_5 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

The full matrix can be reorganized as

$$R = \begin{pmatrix} (w_1 & 0) & (0 & 0) \\ (0 & w_3) & (w_6 & 0) \\ (0 & w_5) & (w_4 & 0) \\ (0 & 0) & (0 & w_2) \end{pmatrix}$$

If we identify with the ASEP weights:

$$R = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & dp & 1-dq & 0 \\ 0 & 1-dp & dq & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

where $d \equiv dt$
 d is called the spectral parameter

Consider now the line to line transfer matrix and let's come back to the partition function

$$\begin{aligned} Z \{ \vec{a}^{IN}, \vec{a}^{OUT}; \beta^{IN}, \beta^{OUT} \} &= \sum_{\vec{a}^{(1)}, \dots, \vec{a}^{(M-1)}} T(\vec{a}^{(1)} \rightarrow \vec{a}^{(M-1)} \rightarrow \vec{a}^{OUT}) \\ & \quad \beta_M^{IN} \rightarrow \beta_M^{OUT} \quad T(\vec{a}^{(M-1)} \rightarrow \vec{a}^{OUT}) \\ & \quad \beta_1^{IN} \rightarrow \beta_1^{OUT} \\ &= \sum_{\vec{a}^{(1)}, \vec{a}^{(M-1)}} \langle \vec{a}^{OUT} | T_{\beta_M^{IN} \rightarrow \beta_M^{OUT}} | \vec{a}^{(M-1)} \rangle \quad \langle \vec{a}^{(1)} | T_{\beta_1^{IN} \rightarrow \beta_1^{OUT}} | \vec{a}^{IN} \rangle \end{aligned}$$

product of transfer matrices.



Suppose we have periodic cylinder conditions:

$$\vec{\beta}^{IN} = \vec{\beta}^{OUT} \text{ and we sum over all possible } \vec{\beta}^{IN} \text{'s.}$$

Then, the transfer matrix from one circle to the next takes a simpler form

$$T(\vec{\alpha} \rightarrow \vec{\alpha}') = \sum_{\substack{\beta, \beta^1, \dots, \beta^{N-1} \\ \beta^{IN}}} R_{\beta^1 \alpha_1}^{\alpha'_1 \beta^1} \dots R_{\beta^{N-1} \alpha_{N-1}}^{\alpha'_{N-1} \beta^{N-1}} R_{\beta^N \alpha_N}^{\alpha'_N \beta^N}$$

product matrixes sur β

(and you observe that it does not depend on the line)

THEN

$$\begin{aligned} Z_{\text{cylinder}} &= \sum_{\alpha^{(1)} \alpha^{(M-1)}} \langle \alpha^{OUT} | T | \alpha^{(M-1)} \rangle \dots \langle \alpha^1 | T | \alpha^{IN} \rangle \\ &= \langle \alpha^{OUT} | T^M | \alpha^{IN} \rangle \end{aligned}$$

For fully periodic conditions $\alpha^{IN} = \alpha^{OUT}$ and sum over $\vec{\alpha}$

$$Z_{\text{TORUS}} = \text{Tr}(T^M)$$

We must diagonalize T . T is a $2^N \times 2^N$ matrix, so are

the four matrices $T_{\beta \rightarrow \beta'}$, but it has a structure: it is built from the elementary blocks R .

let us investigate how $T_{\beta^{IN} \rightarrow \beta^{OUT}}$ is built. Take the case of $N=2$

$$T_{\beta^{IN} \rightarrow \beta^{OUT}}((\alpha_1, \alpha_2) \rightarrow (\alpha'_1, \alpha'_2)) = \sum_{\beta} R_{\beta \alpha_2}^{\alpha'_2 \beta} R_{\beta \alpha_1}^{\alpha'_1 \beta}$$

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4 different 4×4 matrices.

Matrix product over β
 "concatenation over" α, α' : tensor product

To understand the details let's fix $\beta^{IN} = 0, \beta^{OUT} = 0$

$$\tau_{00}(\vec{a} \mapsto \vec{a}') = \sum_{\beta} R_{\beta}^{d_2' 0} R_{0 \alpha_1}^{d_1' \beta} = R_{0 d_2}^{d_2' 0} R_{0 \alpha_1}^{d_1' 0} + R_{1 d_2}^{d_2' 0} R_{0 \alpha_1}^{d_1' 1}$$

Take two matrices $A = \begin{pmatrix} A_{d_1}^{d_1'} \\ A_{d_2}^{d_2'} \end{pmatrix}$ $2 \times 2 \rightarrow 4$ entries $\begin{pmatrix} A_{d_1}^{d_1'} & A_{d_2}^{d_1'} \\ A_{d_1}^{d_2'} & A_{d_2}^{d_2'} \end{pmatrix}$
 $B = \begin{pmatrix} B_{d_1}^{d_1'} \\ B_{d_2}^{d_2'} \end{pmatrix}$ 2×2

$C = \begin{matrix} d_1' d_2' \\ d_1 d_2 \end{matrix} \begin{matrix} d_1' d_2' \\ d_1 d_2 \end{matrix}$ has 16 entries, it is a 4×4 matrix

$$C = \begin{pmatrix} A_{d_1}^{d_1'} B_{d_1}^{d_1'} & A_{d_1}^{d_1'} B_{d_2}^{d_1'} & A_{d_2}^{d_1'} B_{d_1}^{d_1'} & A_{d_2}^{d_1'} B_{d_2}^{d_1'} \\ A_{d_1}^{d_1'} B_{d_1}^{d_2'} & A_{d_1}^{d_1'} B_{d_2}^{d_2'} & A_{d_2}^{d_1'} B_{d_1}^{d_2'} & A_{d_2}^{d_1'} B_{d_2}^{d_2'} \\ A_{d_1}^{d_2'} B_{d_1}^{d_1'} & A_{d_1}^{d_2'} B_{d_2}^{d_1'} & A_{d_2}^{d_2'} B_{d_1}^{d_1'} & A_{d_2}^{d_2'} B_{d_2}^{d_1'} \\ A_{d_1}^{d_2'} B_{d_1}^{d_2'} & A_{d_1}^{d_2'} B_{d_2}^{d_2'} & A_{d_2}^{d_2'} B_{d_1}^{d_2'} & A_{d_2}^{d_2'} B_{d_2}^{d_2'} \end{pmatrix} \equiv A \otimes B$$

It is the tensor product of A by B

Now: $\tau_{00} = R_0^0 \otimes R_0^0 + R_1^0 \otimes R_0^1$

Similarly $\tau_{0 \rightarrow 1} \equiv \tau_0^1 = R_0^1 \otimes R_0^0 + R_1^1 \otimes R_0^1$

$\tau_{1 \rightarrow 0} = \tau_1^0 = R_0^0 \otimes R_1^0 + R_1^0 \otimes R_1^1$

$\tau_1^1 = R_0^1 \otimes R_1^0 + R_1^1 \otimes R_1^1$

$\tau \equiv \begin{pmatrix} \tau_1^1 & \tau_0^1 \\ \tau_1^0 & \tau_0^0 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} R_1^1 \otimes R_1^0 & R_0^1 \otimes R_1^0 \\ R_1^1 \otimes R_1^1 & R_0^1 \otimes R_1^1 \end{pmatrix} \otimes \begin{pmatrix} R_1^1 \otimes R_0^1 & R_0^1 \otimes R_0^1 \\ R_1^0 \otimes R_0^1 & R_0^0 \otimes R_0^1 \end{pmatrix}$

we put the 4 matrices in one big matrix

$= \begin{pmatrix} R_1^1 \otimes R_1^0 + R_0^1 \otimes R_1^0 & \cdot \\ R_1^1 \otimes R_1^1 + R_0^1 \otimes R_1^1 & \cdot \\ \cdot & \cdot \\ \cdot & \cdot \end{pmatrix}$

Formally, we are multiplying the matrices as usual, but the matrix elements are "concatenated" i.e. combined by tensor-products.

If we had $N=3$

$$\mathcal{T} = \begin{pmatrix} \mathcal{T}_1^1 & \mathcal{T}_0^1 \\ \mathcal{T}_1^0 & \mathcal{T}_0^0 \end{pmatrix}$$

8×8 matrices $(d_1, d_2, d_3) \rightarrow (d_1', d_2', d_3')$

$$\mathcal{T} = R^{(3)} \otimes R^{(2)} \otimes R^{(1)}$$

For arbitrary N

$$\mathcal{T} = \begin{pmatrix} \mathcal{T}_1^1 & \mathcal{T}_0^1 \\ \mathcal{T}_1^0 & \mathcal{T}_0^0 \end{pmatrix} \equiv \begin{pmatrix} A & B \\ C & D \end{pmatrix}$$

$2^N \times 2^N$ matrices

$$\mathcal{T} = \bigotimes_{k=1, N} R^{(k)} = R^{(N)} \dots R^{(1)}$$

For periodic boundary conditions

$$T = \mathcal{T}_1^1 + \mathcal{T}_0^0 = A + D$$

$2^{N \times N}$ operator acts on a "chain" of N sites

Remember we had a "spectral parameter" d :

We have constructed a family of $2^N \times 2^N$ operators: $T(d)$

CRUCIAL PROPERTY:

$$[T(d), T(d')] = 0$$

Family of commuting operators

They can be co-diagonalized

For $d=0$, one can check that:

$T(0) =$ shift operator (Look at R)

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$(d_1, d_2, \dots, d_N) \mapsto (d_2, d_3, \dots, d_N, d_1)$$

(commutes with every one)

Besides: $T(0)^{-1} \frac{dT(d)}{dd} \Big|_{d=0} = M_{ASEP}$ Markov Matrix of ASEP

$$M_{ASEP} = \frac{d}{dd} \log T(d) \Big|_{d=0}$$

Solving the 6-vertex model is akin to solving the Exclusion process.

The commutation of the $T(d)$'s can be proved by using the Yang-Baxter eq.

The eigenstates can be built algebraically (cf Golinelli & K.M.: review in J Phys A.)