
Sinh-Gordon Boundary TBA and Liouville Boundary Reflection Amplitude

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Outline of Talk

Boundary sinh-Gordon model is simple but has enough variety.

1. Introduction: bulk theory
 - Sinh-Gordon as an integrable theory:
 - Sinh-Gordon as a Liouville perturbation
2. Boundary Theory **I**
 - Symmetric potential at one edge
3. Boundary Theory **II**
 - Non-symmetric potential at both edges

Introduction

- What is a useful relation between the Sinh-Gordon Theory and Liouville Theory ?

(1) ShG model is integrable. (IR property)

Thermodynamic Bethe ansatz (TBA) allows to evaluate the ground energy at a given finite size.

(2) ShG model can be viewed as a perturbation

However, perturbing term is **not compact**: $\cosh(2b\phi)$

Liouville CFT (UV limit) + relevant perturbation.

Liouville theory provides other tool such as Liouville reflection amplitude (LRA) to find the same ground energy.

- The Two methods provide an independent check.

BASIC FACTS OF SINH-GORDON FIELD THEORY

ShG on an infinite plane (1)

- ShG action :

$$S_{\text{shG}} = \iint_{-\infty}^{\infty} dx dy \left[\frac{1}{4\pi} (\partial_a \phi)^2 + 2\mu \cosh(2b\phi) \right]$$

(Conveniently put on a Euclidean space-time)

- Non-trivial conservation laws ensure the integrability of the model. $\bar{\partial} T_{s+1} = \partial \Theta_{s-1}$

- There exists a single species of particle with a physical mass m

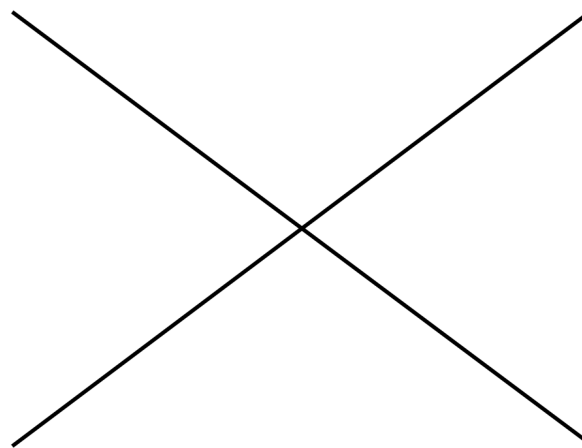
$$\pi \mu \gamma(b^2) = \left[\frac{m}{8\sqrt{\pi}} p^p (1-p)^{1-p} \Gamma\left(\frac{p}{2}\right) \Gamma\left(\frac{1-p}{2}\right) \right]^{2+2b^2}$$
$$p = \frac{b^2}{1+b^2}$$

ShG on an infinite plane (2)

- Bulk vacuum energy: $\mathcal{E} = \frac{m^2}{8 \sin \pi p}$
- scattering amplitude of the particle with mass m is given:

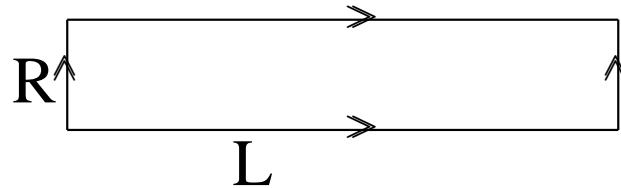
$$S(\theta) = \frac{\sinh \theta - i \sin \pi p}{\sinh \theta + i \sin \pi p}$$

No pole in the physical strip: $0 < \text{Im } \theta < \pi$



Bulk TBA (1)

- Partition function: $Z = \text{Tr} e^{-LH} = \text{Tr} e^{-RH}$



- As $L \rightarrow \infty$, pick up the ground state energy E_0 :

$$e^{-LE_0} = \text{Tr} e^{-RH} = \sum_{\{\alpha\}} e^{-RE_\alpha}$$

- (1) Introduce the spectral density (occupied and unoccupied) and write the free energy in terms of the spectral density
- (2) Minimize the free energy to obtain the ground energy using the relation of spectral density through the Bethe ansatz equation.

Bulk TBA (2)

- Hamiltonian eigenstates are massive particle states, particle mass m and its energy $m \cosh \theta$. Treat the particles as obeying exclusion principle.

(1) Use spectral density $\rho(\theta)$ (particle density per length (L) per rapidity (θ)) to put free energy:

$$Z = \int [d\rho] \exp(-RF)$$

$$F = -\mathcal{S} + L \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} d\theta \rho(\theta) m \cosh \theta$$

Bulk TBA (3)

- (2) Entropy \mathcal{S} counts the number of ways how to occupy the states (degeneracy of filling the states).

$$e^{\mathcal{S}} = \prod \frac{((\rho + \rho_h)L\Delta\theta)!}{(\rho L\Delta\theta)! (\rho_h L\Delta\theta)!}$$

$\rho_h(\theta)$ is the “hole” spectral function, representing unoccupied states.

- (3) In the thermodynamic limit, $L \rightarrow \infty$, we may put the entropy as

$$\mathcal{S} = L \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} d\theta \{ (\rho + \rho_h) \ln(\rho + \rho_h) - \rho \ln \rho - \rho_h \ln \rho_h \}$$

Bulk TBA (4)

(4) Minimize the free energy with respect to ρ and ρ_h .

$$\delta F = L \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} d\theta [\delta\rho \{mR \cosh \theta - \ln(\frac{\rho + \rho_h}{\rho})\} - \delta\rho_h \{\ln(\frac{\rho + \rho_h}{\rho_h})\}] = 0$$

(5) Use the relation between spectral densities:

$$\exp(iLm \sinh \theta_i) \prod_{j=1, \neq i}^N S(\theta_i - \theta_j) = \exp(i2\pi n_i(\theta)).$$

$$m \cosh \theta + \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} d\theta' \phi(\theta - \theta') \rho(\theta') = 2\pi(\rho(\theta) + \rho_h(\theta)),$$

where $\phi(\theta) = -i \partial \ln S(\theta) / \partial \theta$.

$$n(\theta) = n_{\text{occupied}}(\theta) + n_{\text{unoccupied}}(\theta)$$

$$\rho(\theta) = \frac{1}{L} \frac{\partial n_{\text{occupied}}(\theta)}{\partial \theta}, \quad \rho_h(\theta) = \frac{1}{L} \frac{\partial n_{\text{unoccupied}}(\theta)}{\partial \theta}.$$

Bulk TBA (5)

- Ground energy is given as

$$E_0(R) = \mathcal{E}R - \frac{m}{2\pi} \int \cosh \theta \log (1 + e^{-\varepsilon(\theta)}) d\theta$$
$$\varphi(\theta) = -\frac{i}{2\pi} \frac{d}{d\theta} \log S(\theta) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \frac{4 \sin \pi p \cosh \theta}{\cosh 2\theta - \cos 2\pi p}$$

- TBA for pseudo energy $\varepsilon(\theta) = \log(\rho_h/\rho)$:

$$\varepsilon(\theta) = mR \cosh \theta - \varphi * \log (1 + e^{-\varepsilon(\theta)})$$

- bulk energy $\mathcal{E} = \frac{m^2}{8 \sin \pi p}$ is added to normalize the energy

BASIC FACTS OF LIOUVILLE FIELD THEORY

Liouville on a cylinder (1)

- Liouville action on a cylinder with radius 2π :

$$S_L = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} d\tau \int_0^{2\pi} d\sigma \left[\frac{1}{4\pi} (\partial_a \phi)^2 + \mu e^{2b\phi} \right]$$

- (1) Add a background charge $Q = b + 1/b$ to make $\phi(z = \sigma + i\tau, \bar{z} = \sigma - i\tau)$ transform as:

$$\phi(w, \bar{w}) = \phi(z, \bar{z}) - \frac{Q}{2} \log \left| \frac{dw}{dz} \right|^2$$

- (2) Energy-momentum tensor $T(z) = -(\partial\phi)^2 + Q\partial^2\phi$ ensures conformal invariance with central charge

$$c_L = 1 + 6Q^2$$

Liouville on a cylinder (2)

(3) vertex operator $V_\alpha(x) = e^{2\alpha\phi}$ has a conformal dimension

$$\Delta(\alpha) = \alpha(Q - \alpha), \bar{\Delta}(\alpha) = \alpha(Q - \alpha).$$

2-point correlations are given as

$$\langle V_\alpha(x) V_{Q-\alpha}(y) \rangle = \frac{1}{|x - y|^{4\Delta(\alpha)}}$$

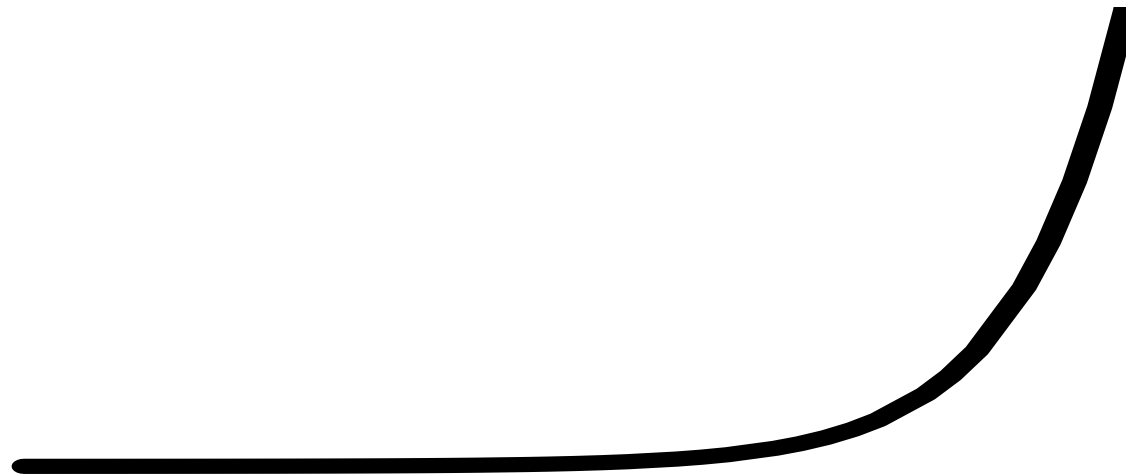
$$\langle V_\alpha(x) V_\alpha(y) \rangle = \frac{D(\alpha)}{|x - y|^{4\Delta(\alpha)}}$$

$D(\alpha)$ is called 2-point function.

Liouville on a cylinder (3)

- Liouville potential and reflection amplitude

(1) Liouville theory may be viewed as a free theory if the field far away from the wall $\exp(2b\phi)$



Liouville on a cylinder (4)

(2) In the flat region, ϕ is decomposed in oscillator modes :

$$\phi(z) = \phi_0 - \mathcal{P}(z - \bar{z}) + \sum_{n \neq 0} \left(\frac{ia_n}{n} e^{inz} + \frac{i\bar{a}_n}{n} e^{-inz} \right)$$

$$[a_m, a_n] = \frac{m\delta_{m+n}}{2}, \quad [\bar{a}_m, \bar{a}_n] = \frac{m\delta_{m+n}}{2}$$

(4) ϕ_0 is the “zero mode” of the Liouville field

$$\phi_0 = \int_0^{2\pi} \phi(\sigma) \frac{d\sigma}{2\pi}, \quad \mathcal{P} = -\frac{i}{2} \frac{\partial}{\partial \phi_0}$$

(5) Virasoro generators (holomorphic part):

$$L_0 = 2 \sum_{k>0} a_{-k} a_k + Q^2/4 + \mathcal{P}^2$$

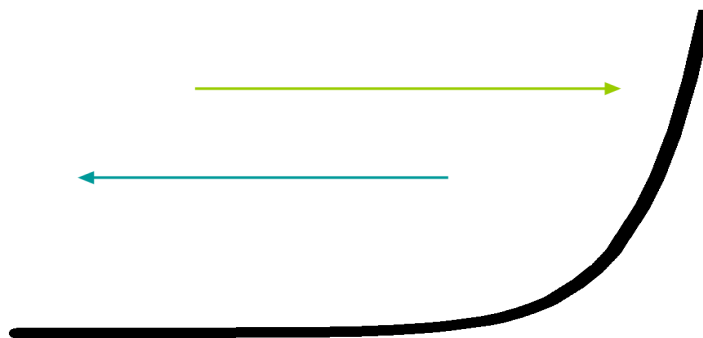
$$L_n = \sum_{k \neq 0, n} a_k a_{n-k} + (2\mathcal{P} + inQ)a_n \quad n \neq 0$$

Liouville on a cylinder (5)

(6) Primary state Ψ_P ($\alpha = Q/2 \pm iP$; $\Delta_P = Q^2/4 + P^2$) has the form at away from the wall:

$$\Psi_P \propto (e^{2iP\phi_0} + S_L(P)e^{-2iP\phi_0}) |\text{Fock vacuum}\rangle$$

$S_L(P)$ is called the Liouville Reflection Amplitude (LRA).



Liouville on a cylinder (6)

(7) Relation between $D(\alpha)$ and $S_L(P)$:

$$D\left(\frac{Q}{2} + iP\right) = S_L(P)$$

Explicit form of LRA

$$S_L(P) = - \left(\pi\mu\gamma(b^2)\right)^{-2iP/b} \\ \times \frac{\Gamma(1 + 2ibP)\Gamma(1 + 2iP/b)}{\Gamma(1 - 2ibP)\Gamma(1 - 2iP/b)}$$

duality $b \rightarrow 1/b$: $\pi\mu_d\gamma(1/b^2) = (\pi\mu\gamma(b^2))^{1/b^2}$

- One may check LRA using equation of motion at the classical limit $b \rightarrow 0$.

SHG AS A LIOUVILLE PERTURBATION THEORY

ShG as a Liouville perturbation (1)

- Put ShG field on a circle of length 2π (rescale $R \rightarrow R/(2\pi)$)

$$S_{\text{shG}} = \int dy \int_0^{2\pi} \left[\frac{1}{4\pi} (\partial_a \phi)^2 + \mu \left(\frac{R}{2\pi} \right)^{2+2b^2} e^{2b\phi} + \mu \left(\frac{R}{2\pi} \right)^{2+2b^2} e^{-2b\phi} \right]$$

- Consider the zero mode ϕ_0 of Liouville field on a circle of length 2π . As $b\phi_0 \gg 1$, one may regard $V_{-b}(x) = e^{-2b\phi}$ as a perturbed potential:

ShG = Liouville + perturbation

ShG as a Liouville perturbation (2)

■ As $\phi_0 \rightarrow \infty$

(1) one has $S_{\text{shG}} = S_L \Big|_{\mu \rightarrow \tilde{\mu}}$ + (1, 3) perturbation ,
$$\tilde{\mu} = \mu(R/2\pi)^{2+2b^2}$$

(2) Away from the Liouville potential wall $\exp(2b\phi)$, a primary state Ψ_P (dimension $\Delta_P = Q^2/4 + P^2$) has the asymptotic form

$$\Psi_P = (A_+ e^{2iP\phi_0} + A_- e^{-2iP\phi_0}) |\text{Fock vacuum}\rangle$$

$$\frac{A_-}{A_+} = \tilde{S}_L(P) = S_L(P) \Big|_{\mu \rightarrow \tilde{\mu}}$$

ShG as a Liouville perturbation (3)

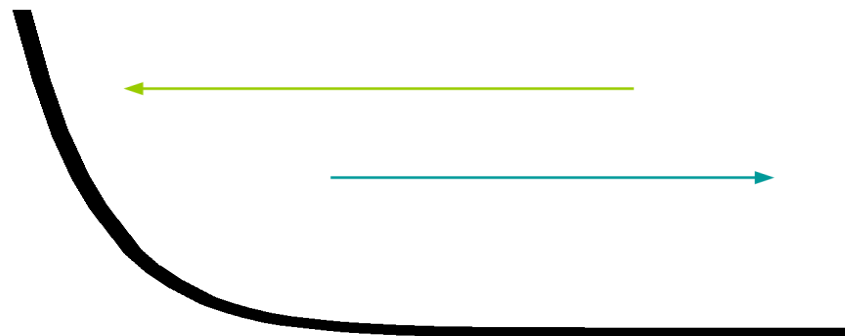
■ Likewise, as $b\phi_0 \ll -1$

(1) Regard $V_b(x) = e^{2b\phi}$ as a perturbed term.

(2) The primary state away from the wall

$$\Psi_P = (A_+ e^{2iP\phi_0} + A_- e^{-2iP\phi_0}) |\text{Fock vacuum}\rangle$$

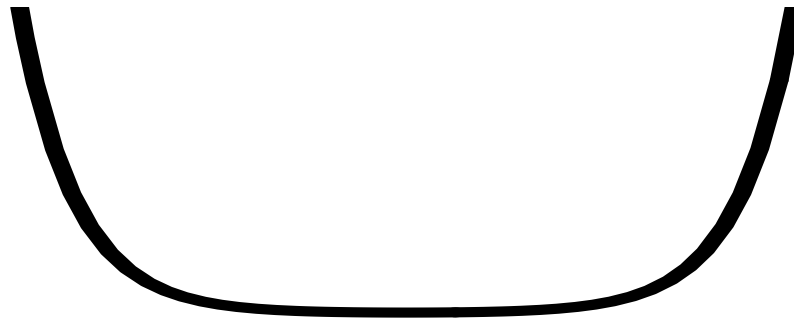
$$\frac{A_+}{A_-} = \tilde{S}_L(P) = S_L(P) \Big|_{\mu \rightarrow \tilde{\mu}}$$



ShG as a Liouville perturbation (4)

(3) Consistency requires P is quantized:

$$\left[\tilde{S}_L(P) \right]^2 = 1; \quad \text{or} \quad \left[S_L(P) e^{-4iPQ \log(R/2\pi)} \right]^2 = 1$$



In “mini-superspace” approach, the wave is moving inside the left and right potential wall.

ShG as a Liouville perturbation (5)

- Ground energy is given as

$$\begin{aligned} E_0 &= -\frac{\pi}{6R} (c_L - 24\Delta_P) + \text{power-like correction} \\ &= -\frac{\pi}{6R} (1 - 24P^2) + \text{power-like correction} \end{aligned}$$

- Quantization condition determines P ,

$$\left[S_L(P) e^{-4iPQ \log(R/2\pi)} \right]^2 = 1; \quad S_L(P) \equiv -e^{i\Delta_L(P)}$$

$$\rightarrow \Delta_L(P) = \pi + 4PQ \log(R/2\pi) = \delta_1 P + \delta_3 P^3 + \delta_5 P^5 \dots$$

- UV behavior is given as

$$E_0 = -\frac{\pi}{6R} \left(1 - \frac{24\pi^2}{\ell^2} + \frac{48\pi^4 \delta_3(b)}{\ell^5} + \dots \right) + O\left(R^{2+2b^2}\right)$$

$$\ell = \delta_1(b) - 4PQ \log(R/2\pi)$$

ShG as a Liouville perturbation (6)

Numerics for $\Delta_L(P)$ and consistency check.

- LRA result: $S_L(P) \equiv -\exp(i\Delta_L(P))$

$$\Delta_L(P) = -i \log \left((\pi\mu\gamma(b^2))^{-2iP/b} \frac{\Gamma(1 + 2ibP)\Gamma(1 + 2iP/b)}{\Gamma(1 - 2ibP)\Gamma(1 - 2iP/b)} \right)$$

- TBA result:

$$\Delta_L^{\text{TBA}}(P) = \pi + 4P_{\text{TBA}} Q \log\left(\frac{R}{2\pi}\right)$$

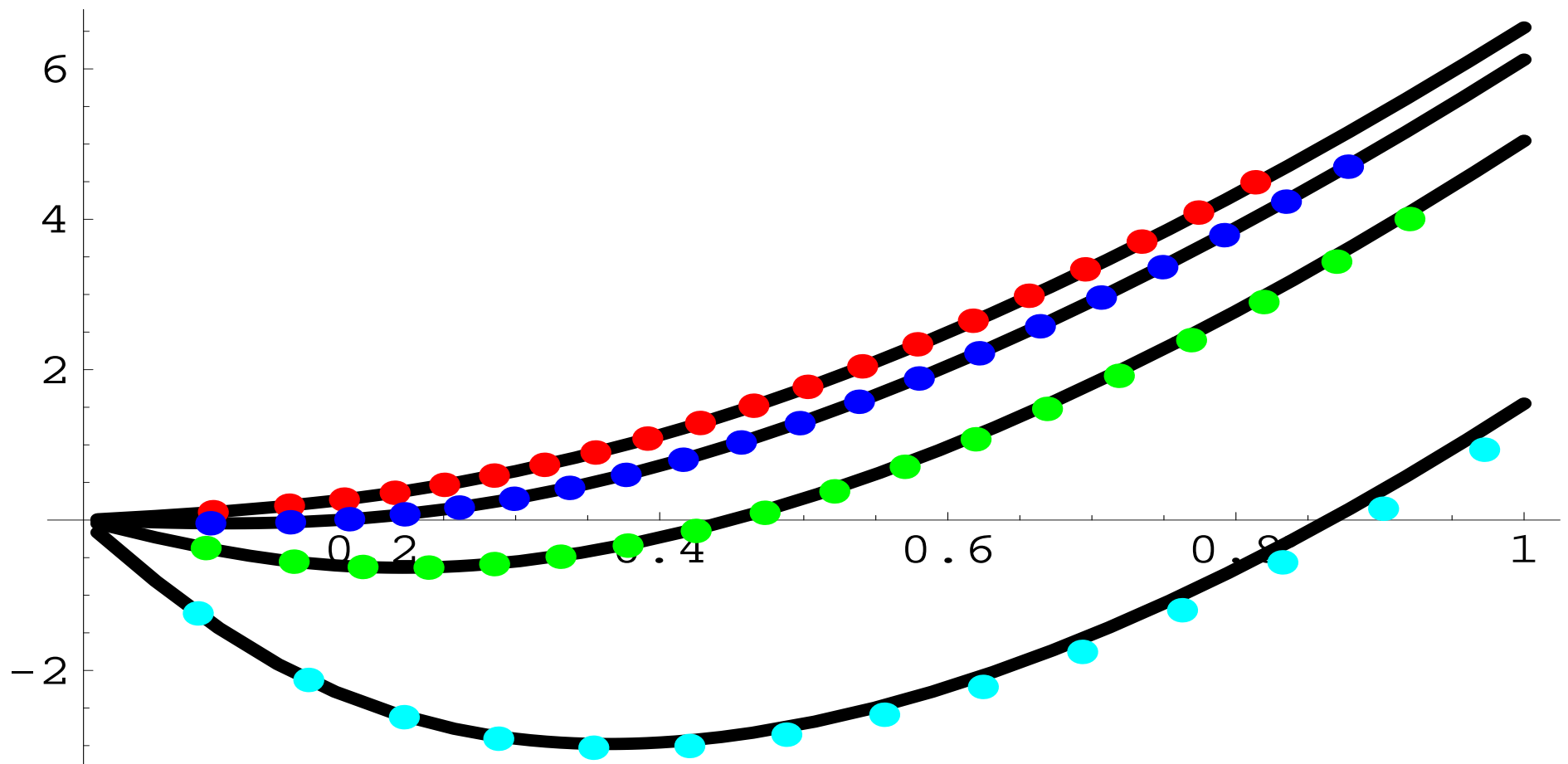
using $P_{\text{TBA}} = \sqrt{(1 - c_{\text{eff}}(R))/24}$ and $E_0^{\text{TBA}}(R) = -\frac{\pi}{6R} c_{\text{eff}}(R)$

$$E_0^{\text{TBA}}(R) = -\frac{\pi}{6R} (1 - 24P_{\text{TBA}}^2) = \mathcal{E}R - \frac{m}{2\pi} \int \cosh \theta \log \left(1 + e^{-\varepsilon(\theta)} \right) d\theta$$

ShG as a Liouville perturbation (7)

Numerics of $\Delta_L(P)$

$p = 0.4, p = 0.3, p = 0.2, p = 0.1$ from top to bottom



BOUNDARY THEORY I

SYMMETRIC POTENTIAL AT ONE EDGE

LIUVILLE THEORY ON A STRIP

Liouville Theory on a strip (1)

- conformal boundary action (width = π)

$$S_{\text{strip}}(\tau) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} d\tau \left[\int_0^{\pi} \left(\frac{1}{4\pi} (\partial_a \phi)^2 + \mu e^{2b\phi} \right) d\sigma \right. \\ \left. + M_a e^{b\phi}(\tau, 0) + M_b e^{b\phi}(\tau, \pi) \right]$$

- boundary parameters are parametrized

$$M_{a,b} = \left(\frac{\mu}{\sin \pi b^2} \right)^{1/2} \cosh(\pi b s_{a,b})$$

$s_{a,b}$ is real or purely imaginary

(Use $s \rightarrow -s$ to restrict $0 \leq \text{Im } s \leq \frac{1}{b}$)

Liouville Theory on a strip (2)

- In the region $\phi_0 \rightarrow -\infty$,
 ϕ is decomposed in oscillator modes :

$$\phi(\sigma, \tau) = \phi_0 - 2i\mathcal{P}\tau + \sum_{n \neq 0} \frac{2ia_n}{n} e^{-n\tau} \cos(n\sigma), \quad [a_m, a_n] = \frac{m\delta_{m+n}}{2}$$

- ϕ_0 is the “zero mode” of the Liouville field

$$\phi_0 = \int_0^\pi \phi(\sigma) \frac{d\sigma}{\pi}, \quad \mathcal{P} = -i \frac{\partial}{\partial \phi_0}$$

- Virasoro generator L_0

$$L_0 = 2 \sum_{k>0} a_{-k} a_k + Q^2/4 + \mathcal{P}^2$$

Liouville Theory on a strip (3)

■ Put background charge $Q = b + 1/b$ so that

(1) Bulk field $V_\alpha(x) = e^{2\alpha\phi}$ has a conformal dimension

$$\Delta(\alpha) = \alpha(Q - \alpha), \quad \bar{\Delta}(\alpha) = \alpha(Q - \alpha).$$

(2) Boundary field $B_{s_a, s_b}^\beta = \left(e^{\beta\phi_B} \right)_{s_a, s_b}$ has a conformal dimension

$$\Delta_B(\beta) = \beta(Q - \beta).$$

■ Boundary 2-point correlations are given as

$$\langle B_{s_a, s_b}^\beta(1) B_{s_b, s_a}^{Q-\alpha}(0) \rangle = 1 \quad \langle B_{s_a, s_b}^\beta(1) B_{s_b, s_a}^\beta(0) \rangle = D_B(\beta).$$

$D_B(\beta)$ is called boundary 2-point function.

Liouville Theory on a strip (4)

- Primary state Ψ_P away from the wall with conformal dimension $\Delta = Q^2/4 + P^2$:

$$\Psi_P \propto (\exp(iP\phi_0) + S_B(P|s_a, s_b) \exp(-iP\phi_0)) |\text{Fock vac}$$

$S_B(P|s_a, s_b)$ is called the boundary LRA.

- Boundary LRA is given in terms of boundary 2-point function :

$$D_B(\beta) = S_B(P|s_a, s_b)$$

when $\beta = Q/2 \pm iP$.

Liouville Theory on a strip (5)

- Explicit form of boundary LRA:

$$S_B(P|s_a, s_b) = \left(\pi \mu \gamma(b^2) b^{2-2b^2} \right)^{-iP/b} \frac{\Gamma_b(2iP)}{\Gamma_b(-2iP)} \times$$
$$\frac{S_b\left(\frac{Q}{2} - iP + i\frac{s_a + s_b}{2}\right) S_b\left(\frac{Q}{2} - iP - i\frac{s_a + s_b}{2}\right)}{S_b\left(\frac{Q}{2} + iP + i\frac{s_a - s_b}{2}\right) S_b\left(\frac{Q}{2} + iP - i\frac{s_a - s_b}{2}\right)}$$

- duality $b \rightarrow 1/b : s_i \rightarrow s_i$ ($i = a, b$)

Liouville Theory on a strip (6)

Double-gamma function

- periodic property:

$$\Gamma_b(x+b) = \frac{(2\pi)^{1/2}}{b^{1/2-bx}\Gamma(bx)}\Gamma_b(x), \quad \Gamma_b(x+1/b) = \frac{(2\pi)^{1/2}}{\Gamma(x/b)b^{x/b-1/2}}\Gamma_b(x)$$

- $\Gamma_b(x)$ has poles at
 $x = -mb - nb^{-1}$ (m and n non-negative integers)
- integral representation:

$$\log \Gamma_b(x) = \int_0^{\infty} \frac{dt}{t} \left[\frac{e^{-xt}}{(1-e^{-bt})(1-e^{-t/b})} - \frac{1}{t^2} - \frac{Q/2-x}{t} - \left(\frac{(x-Q/2)^2}{2} - \frac{b^2+b^{-2}}{24} \right) e^{-t} \right]$$

Liouville Theory on a strip (7)

Double-sine function

- relation with double-gamma function

$$S_b(x) = \Gamma_b(x)/\Gamma_b(Q - x), \quad S_b(x)S_b(Q - x) = 1$$

- integral representation:

$$\log S_b(x) = \frac{1}{2} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{dt}{t} \left[\frac{\sinh(Q - 2x)t}{2 \sinh(bt) \sinh(t/b)} - \frac{(Q/2 - x)}{t} \right]$$

- meromorphic function of x : (m and n non-negative integers)

$$\text{poles at } x = -mb - nb^{-1}$$

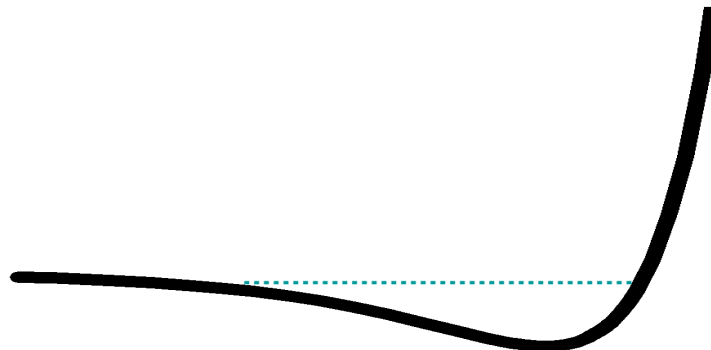
$$\text{zeros at } x = Q + mb + nb^{-1}$$

Liouville Theory on a strip (8)

- Thus BLRA can have pole(s) in an appropriate boundary parameter range.

$$S_B(P|s_a, s_b) = \left(\pi \mu \gamma(b^2) b^{2-2b^2} \right)^{-iP/b} \frac{\Gamma_b(2iP)}{\Gamma_b(-2iP)} \times$$
$$\frac{S_b \left(\frac{Q}{2} - iP + i \frac{s_a + s_b}{2} \right) S_b \left(\frac{Q}{2} - iP - i \frac{s_a + s_b}{2} \right)}{S_b \left(\frac{Q}{2} + iP + i \frac{s_a - s_b}{2} \right) S_b \left(\frac{Q}{2} + iP - i \frac{s_a - s_b}{2} \right)}$$

- The pole refers to a bound state in the potential well:



SINH-GORDON MODEL ON A HALF-LINE

ShG model on a half-line (1)

- Integrability ensures that the massive particle does not disappear on the edge but bounce back.
- Lagrangian

$$L_{\text{shG}} = \int_{-\infty}^0 \left(\frac{1}{4\pi} (\partial_a \phi)^2 + 2\mu \cosh(2b\phi) \right) dx \\ + M^+ e^{b\phi}(0) + M^- e^{-b\phi}(0)$$

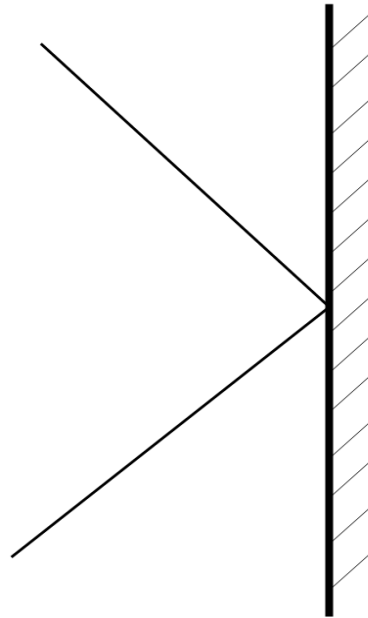
(NOTE) $M^+ e^{b\phi} + M^- e^{-b\phi} = 2\mu_B \cosh(b\phi + b\phi_0)$

$$M^\pm = \left(\frac{\mu}{\sin \pi b^2} \right)^{1/2} \cosh(\pi b s^\pm)$$

ShG model on a half-line (2)

- boundary ShG model is integrable
- boundary scattering amplitude is defined as

$$A(\theta)B = R(\theta)A(-\theta)B$$



ShG model on a half-line (3)

- boundary scattering amplitude: $R(\theta) = R_0(\theta)R_1(\theta|\eta, \vartheta)$

$$R_0(\theta) = \frac{\sinh(\theta/2 + i\pi/4)}{\sinh(\theta/2 - i\pi/4)} \\ \times \frac{\cosh(\theta/2 - i\pi p/4) \cosh(\theta/2 - i\pi(1-p)/4)}{\cosh(\theta/2 + i\pi p/4) \cosh(\theta/2 + i\pi(1-p)/4)}$$
$$R_1(\theta|\eta, \vartheta) = \left(\frac{\sinh \theta - i \cosh(p\eta)}{\sinh \theta + i \cosh(p\eta)} \right) \left(\frac{\sinh \theta - i \cosh(p\vartheta)}{\sinh \theta + i \cosh(p\vartheta)} \right)$$

(η, ϑ will be restricted so that no pole in the physical strip: $0 < \text{Im } \theta < \pi/2$)

- boundary parameters parametrization

$$\eta = \pi(s^+ + s^-)/(2b); \quad \vartheta = \pi(s^+ - s^-)/(2b)$$

$$M^\pm = (\mu/\sin(\pi b^2))^{1/2} \cosh(\pi b s^\pm)$$

- R is invariant under the duality $b \rightarrow 1/b$.

SINH-GORDON MODEL ON A STRIP

ShG on a strip (1)

■ action (width R) : $A_{\text{strip}} = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} L_{\text{strip}}(y) dy$

$$L_{\text{strip}}(y) = \int_0^R \left(\frac{1}{4\pi} (\partial_a \phi)^2 + 2\mu \cosh(2b\phi) \right) dx \\ + M_1^+ e^{b\phi}(0) + M_1^- e^{-b\phi}(0) + M_2^+ e^{b\phi}(R) + M_2^- e^{-b\phi}(R)$$

■ action (width π) (rescale $x = (R/\pi)\sigma$ and $y = (R/\pi)\tau$)

$$L_{\text{strip}}(\tau) = \int_0^\pi \left(\frac{1}{4\pi} (\partial_a \phi)^2 + 2\mu \left((R/\pi)^{2+2b^2} \cosh(2b\phi) \right) \right) d\sigma \\ + (R/\pi)^{1+b^2} (M_1^+ e^{b\phi}(0) + M_1^- e^{-b\phi}(0) \\ + M_2^+ e^{b\phi}(\pi) + M_2^- e^{-b\phi}(\pi))$$

ShG on a strip (2)

- As $\phi_0 \rightarrow \infty$, one may neglect $e^{-2b\phi}$ in the bulk term and $e^{-b\phi}$ in the boundary term.
- Then the ShG reduces to the Liouville theory:

$$L_{\text{strip}}(\tau) = \int_0^\pi \left(\frac{1}{4\pi} (\partial_a \phi)^2 + \mu (R/\pi)^{2+2b^2} \exp(2b\phi) \right) d\sigma \\ + (R/\pi)^{1+b^2} (M_1^+ e^{b\phi}(0) + M_2^+ e^{b\phi}(\pi))$$

$\mu \rightarrow \mu (R/\pi)^{2+2b^2}$ but parameter relation is not affected.

- Primary field is given as

$$\Psi_0 \sim (A_+ \exp(iP\phi_0) + A_- \exp(-iP\phi_0)) |\text{Fock vacuum}\rangle$$

$$\frac{A_-}{A_+} = S_B(P | s_a^+, s_b^+)$$

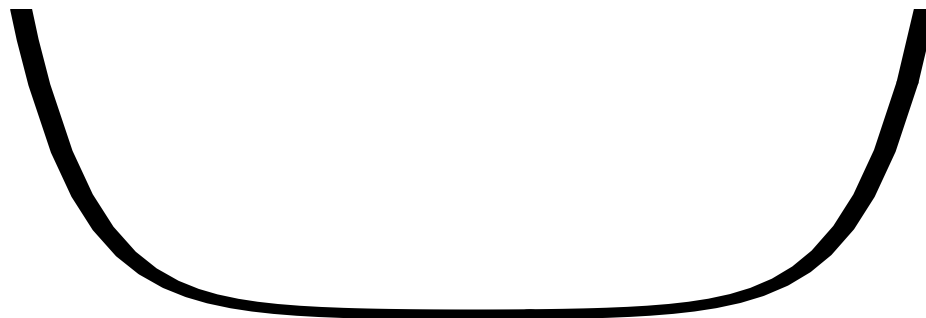
ShG on a strip (3)

- As $\phi_0 \rightarrow -\infty$, one has left wall.
- Thus ground energy is given as

$$E_0(R) = \frac{\pi}{R} \left(-\frac{1}{24} + P^2 \right) + \text{power corrections of } R$$

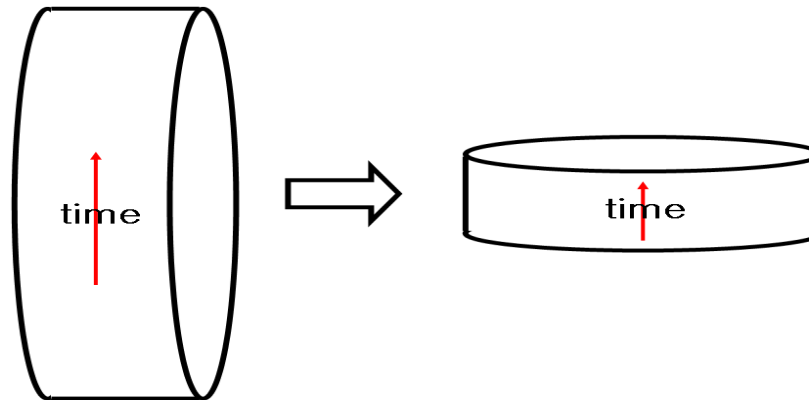
- And P is quantized:

$$(R/\pi)^{-4iPQ} S_B(P|s_a^+, s_b^+) S_B(P|s_a^-, s_b^-) = 1$$



ShG on a strip (4)

- The same ground energy can be obtained using the integrability of the theory: boundary TBA :
- Switch the role of time y and space $x \rightarrow$ “space” along y (infinite length L) and “time” along x (finite R)



- Initial state $|B1\rangle$ flows along R and arrives at final state $|B2\rangle$

ShG model on a strip (5)

- boundary TBA :

$$E_0(R) = \mathcal{E}R + f_a + f_b + E(R)$$

$$E(R) = -\frac{m}{4\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \cosh \theta \log (1 + \lambda_{ab}(\theta) e^{-\varepsilon(\theta)}) d\theta$$

$$\varepsilon = 2mR \cosh \theta - \varphi * \log(1 + \lambda_{ab} e^{-\varepsilon})$$

- boundary energy

$$f(\eta, \vartheta) = \frac{m}{4 \sin(\pi p)} (2 \cosh(p\eta) + 2 \cosh(p\vartheta) - \sin(\pi p/2) - \cos(\pi p/2) - 1)$$

ShG model on a strip (6)

- Boundary fugacity with $K_a(\theta) = R_a(i\pi/2 - \theta)$

$$\begin{aligned}\lambda_{ab}(\theta) &= K_a(-\theta)K_b(\theta) \\ &= \coth^2 \frac{\theta}{2} \cdot \frac{\cosh \theta + \cos \frac{\pi p}{2}}{\cosh \theta - \cos \frac{\pi p}{2}} \cdot \frac{\cosh \theta + \sin \frac{\pi p}{2}}{\cosh \theta - \sin \frac{\pi p}{2}} \\ &\quad \times \frac{\cosh \theta - \cosh(\eta_a p)}{\cosh \theta + \cosh(\eta_a p)} \cdot \frac{\cosh \theta - \cosh(\eta_b p)}{\cosh \theta + \cosh(\eta_b p)} \\ &\quad \times \frac{\cosh \theta - \cosh(\vartheta_a p)}{\cosh \theta + \cosh(\vartheta_a p)} \cdot \frac{\cosh \theta - \cosh(\vartheta_b p)}{\cosh \theta + \cosh(\vartheta_b p)}\end{aligned}$$

- $\lambda_{ab}(\theta)$ is singular at $\theta = 0$ in general.
- boundary parameters: $M^\pm = (\mu / \sin(\pi b^2))^{1/2} \cosh(\pi b s^\pm)$
 $\eta = \pi(s^+ + s^-)/(2b)$; $\vartheta = \pi(s^+ - s^-)/(2b)$

SINH-GORDON MODEL ON A STRIP WITH SYMMETRIC POTENTIAL AT ONE EDGE

symmetric boundary at one edge (1)

- Suppose boundary potential is symmetric at a edge

$$M_a^+ = M_a^- \rightarrow \vartheta_a = 0, \quad (\phi_0 = 0; \quad \mu_B \exp(b\phi + \phi_0))$$

- The fugacity becomes regular at $\theta = 0$:

$$\lambda_{ab}(\theta) = \frac{\cosh \theta + \cos(\pi p/2)}{\cosh \theta - \cos(\pi p/2)} \cdot \frac{\cosh \theta + \cos(\pi(1-p)/2)}{\cosh \theta - \cos(\pi(1-p)/2)} \times \\ \frac{\cosh \theta - \cosh(p\eta_a)}{\cosh \theta + \cosh(p\eta_a)} \cdot \frac{\cosh \theta - \cosh(p\eta_b)}{\cosh \theta + \cosh(p\eta_b)} \cdot \frac{\cosh \theta - \cosh \vartheta_b}{\cosh \theta + \cosh \vartheta_b}$$

(One may restrict $\vartheta_b \geq 0$

using the symmetry of action $\phi \rightarrow -\phi$ or $M^+ \leftrightarrow M^-$.)

- BTBA is not singular at real rapidity.

symmetric boundary at one edge (2)

Cross-check for the case with one symmetric edge

- One may check shG TBA result with the one from Liouville LRA within the proper boundary parameter range.
- M^+ and M^- have a lower bound for the theory to be well-defined:

$$M^\pm \geq -(\mu / \sin(\pi b^2))^{1/2}$$

symmetric boundary at one edge (3)

Summary for numerical check

■ $\Delta(P|s_a, s_b)$ from Liouville Reflection Amplitude

$$(1) \quad S_L(P) \equiv \exp(i\Delta_L(P)), \quad S_B(P|s_a^+, s_b^+) \equiv \exp(i\Delta_B(P|s_a^-, s_b^-))$$

$$(2) \quad \Delta(P|s_a, s_b) = \Delta_B(P) - \frac{1}{2}\Delta_L(P)$$

$$\Delta(P|s_a, s_b) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{\sin(2Pt)dt}{t} \times \left(\frac{\cos(s_a t) \cos(s_b t) - \cosh(bt/2) \cosh(b^{-1}t/2) \cosh((b - b^{-1})t/2)}{\sinh(bt) \sinh(t/b)} \right)$$

symmetric boundary at one edge (4)

■ $\Delta(P_{\text{TBA}}|s_a, s_b)$ from TBA result

(1) Using the quantization relation:

$$\Delta_{\text{B}}(P_{\text{TBA}}|s_a^+, s_b^+) + \Delta_{\text{B}}(P_{\text{TBA}}|s_a^-, s_b^-) = 2\pi + 4PQ \log(R/\pi)$$

$$\frac{1}{2}(\Delta(P_{\text{TBA}}|s_a^+, s_b^+) + \Delta(P_{\text{TBA}}|s_a^-, s_b^-)) = \pi + 2P_{\text{TBA}}Q \log(R/\pi) + \Delta_{\text{L}}(P_{\text{TBA}})$$

(2) Find P_{TBA} using TBA $P_{\text{TBA}} = \sqrt{(1 - c_{\text{eff}}(R))/24}$:

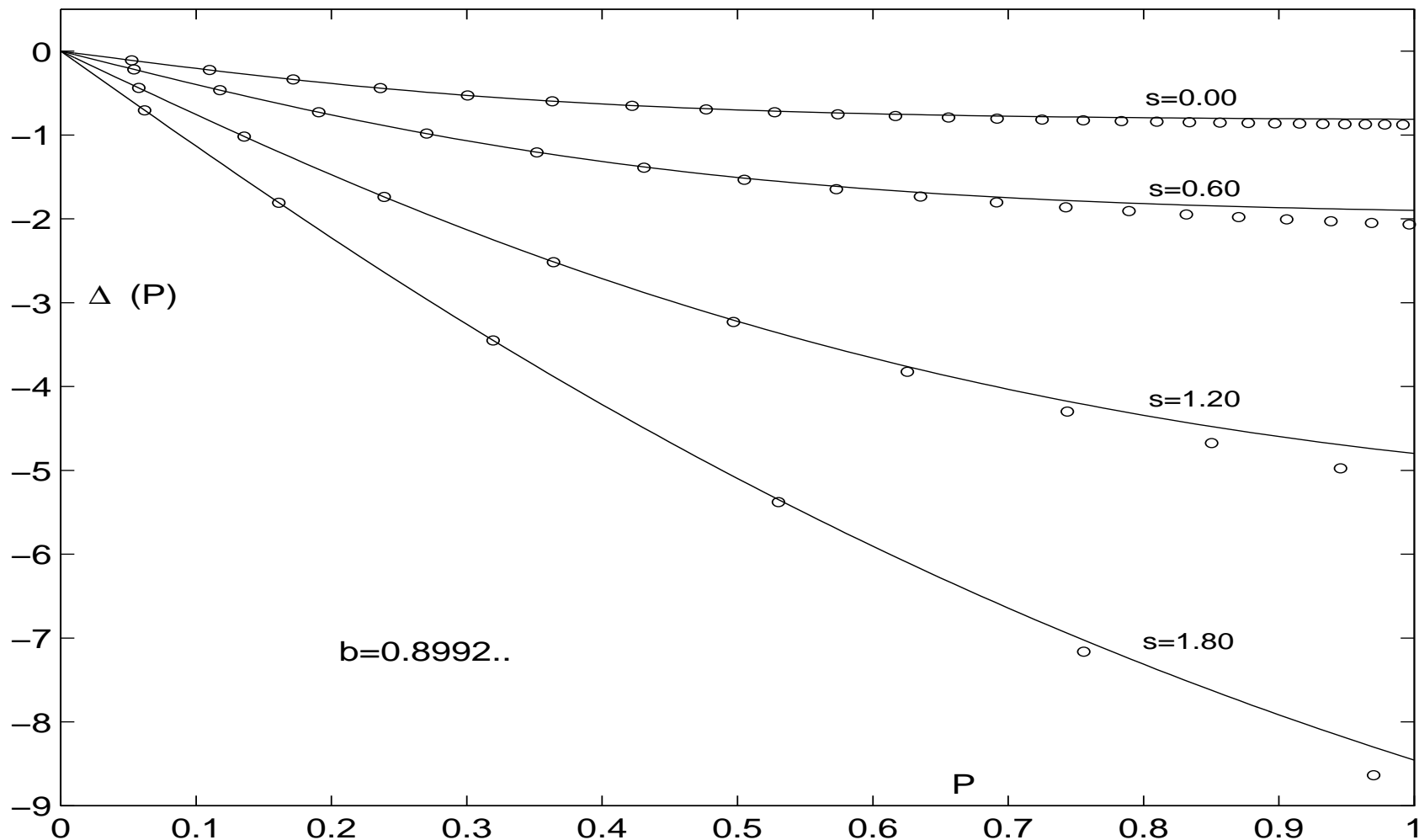
$$E_0(R) = -\frac{\pi}{24R} c_{\text{eff}}(R) = \frac{\pi}{R} \left(-\frac{1}{24} + P_{\text{TBA}}^2 \right) = \mathcal{E}R + f_a + f_b + E(R)$$

$$E(R) = -\frac{m}{4\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \cosh \theta \log \left(1 + \lambda_{ab}(\theta) e^{-\varepsilon(\theta)} \right) d\theta$$

$$\varepsilon = 2mR \cosh \theta - \varphi * \log(1 + \lambda_{ab} e^{-\varepsilon})$$

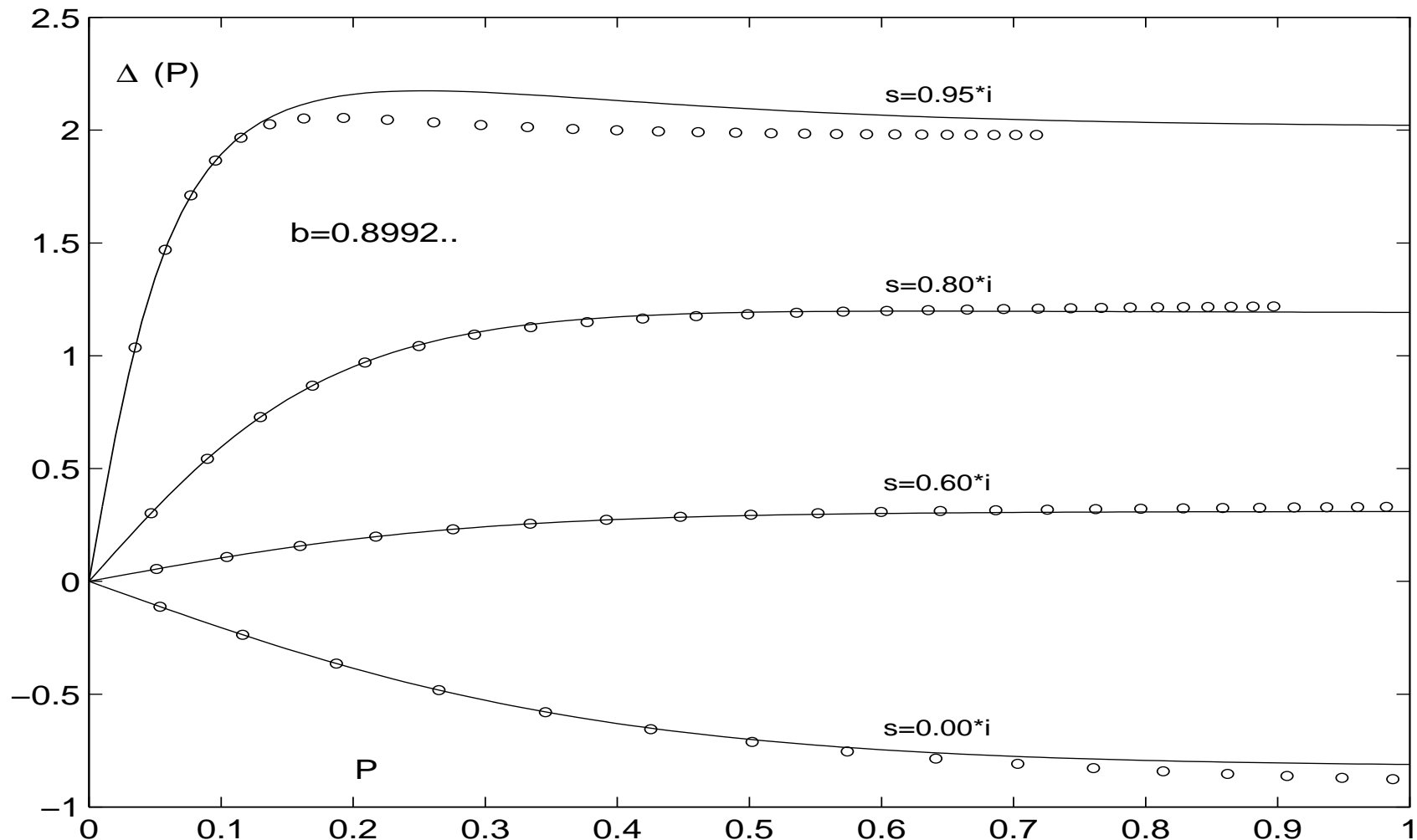
symmetric boundary at one edge (5)

$\Delta(P|s_a, s_b)$ for $b^2 = 0.8086$ and $s_a = s_b$ real



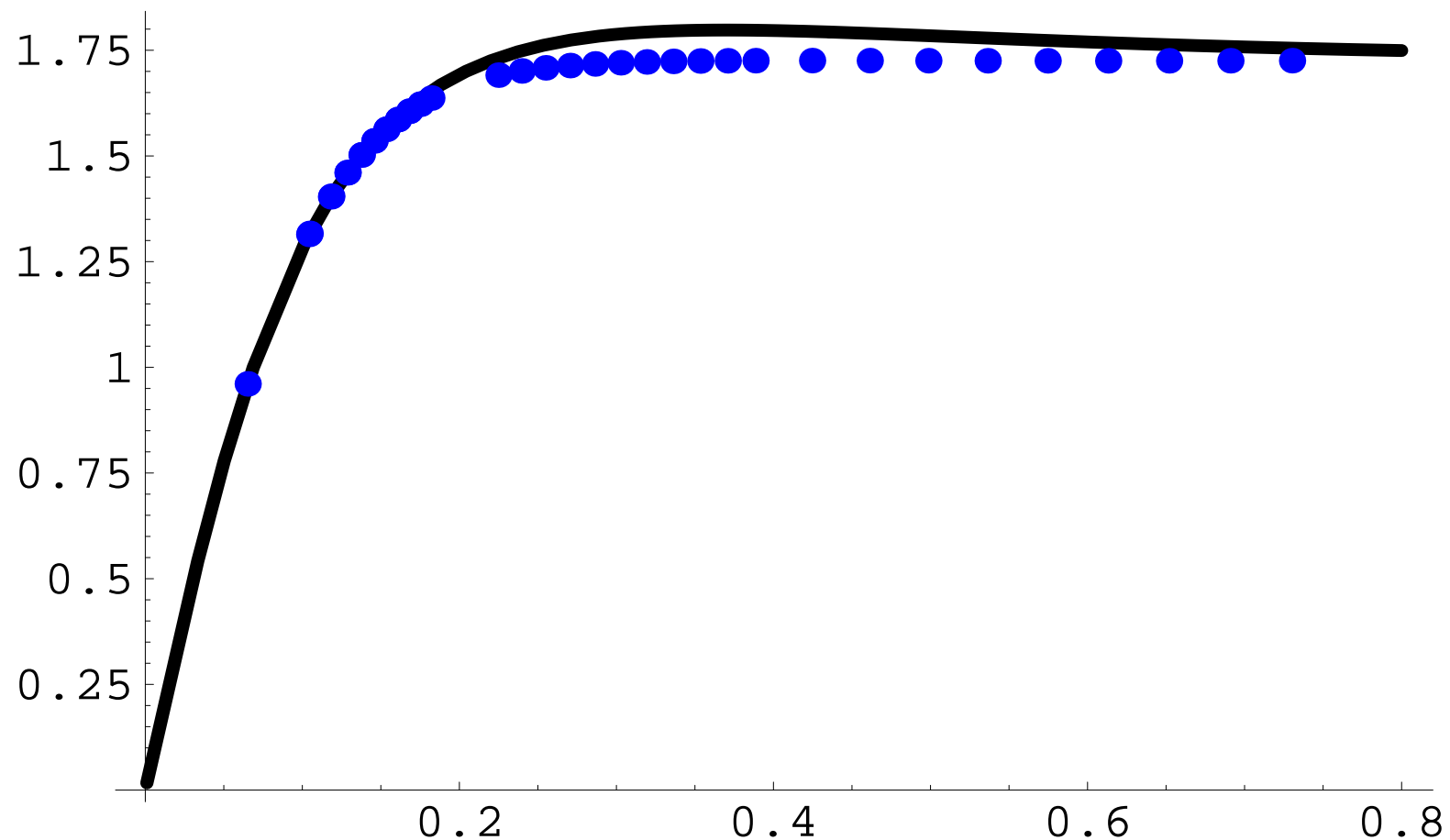
symmetric boundary at one edge (6)

$\Delta(P|s_a, s_b)$ for $b^2 = 0.8086$ and $s_a = s_b$ imaginary



symmetric boundary at one edge (7)

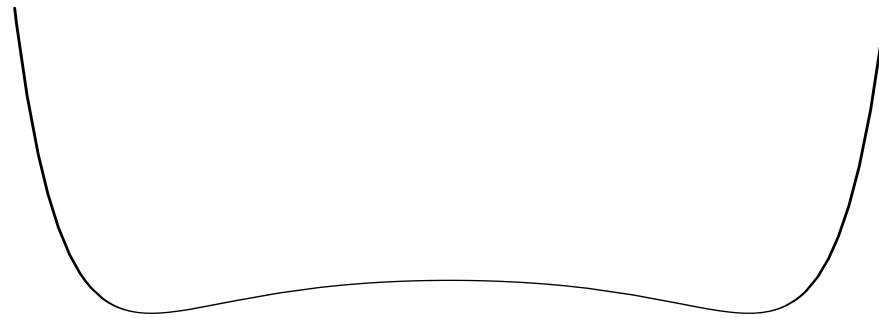
$\Delta(P|s_a, s_b)$ for $b^2 = 2/3$ ($p = 0.4$) and
 $\eta_a = \eta_b = 4.5i\pi/4 < 5i\pi/4$



symmetric boundary at one edge (8)

Unexpected phenomenon from Liouville bound state

- If M_{\pm} is in a certain negative range, one (or more) bound state(s) may appear in the Liouville potential:

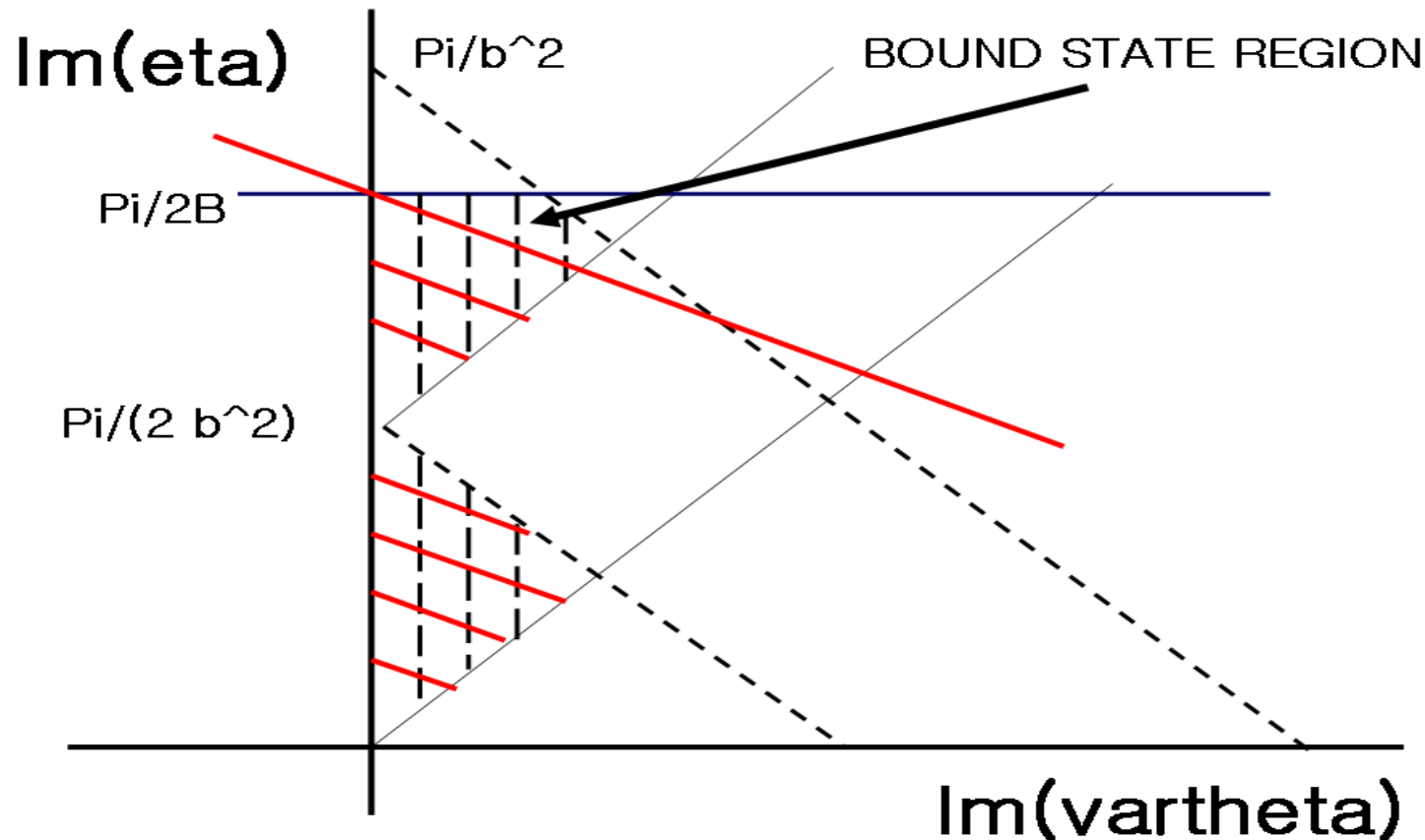


- The boundary state is given in terms of the pole position of S_B and P is imaginary :

$$E_0(R) = -\frac{\pi}{24R} (1 - 24P^2) < -\frac{\pi}{24R}$$

symmetric boundary at one edge (10)

Parameter Space Diagram
Case for $\vartheta_a = 0$ (one symmetric edge)
and $\eta_a = \eta_b = \eta$ and $\vartheta_b = \vartheta$

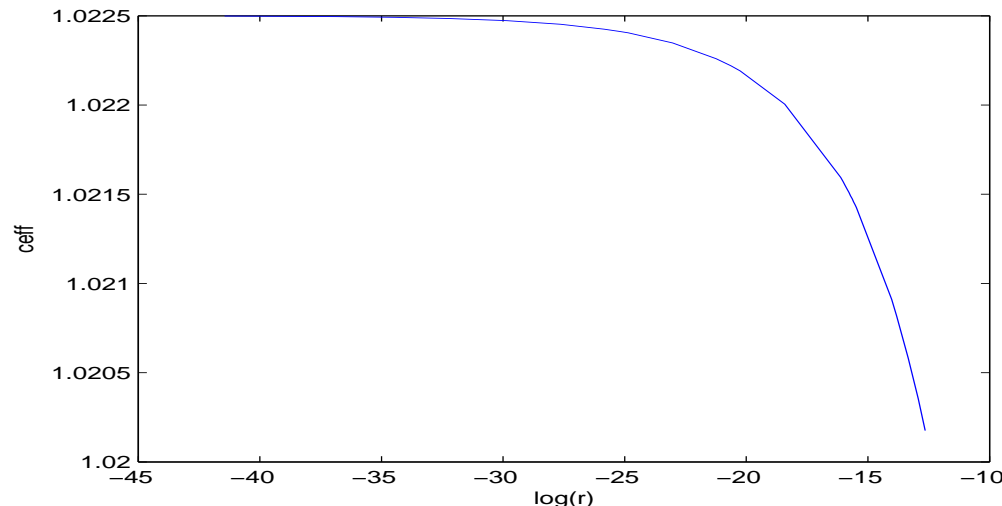


symmetric boundary at one edge (11)

- For parameter $B = 0.4$, $\eta_a = \eta_b = 9.5i\pi/8$, $\vartheta_a = 0$, $\vartheta_b = i\pi/5$,
 $bs_a^+ \cong 0.925i$, $bs_a^- \cong 0.658i$, $bs_b^+ = bs_b^- \cong 0.792i$; $M_{a,b}^\pm < 0$

BLRA predicts $c_{\text{eff}}(0) = 1 + 24 \left(\frac{|s_a^+ + s_b^+| - Q}{2} \right)^2 = 1.0225 > 1$

Here is the BTBA result:



- The UV ground state is not trivial, which is not related with boundary bound state(s).

BOUNDARY THEORY II

NON-SYMMETRIC POTENTIAL AT BOTH EDGES

Non-symmetric boundary (1)

- If both of boundaries do not satisfy $M_{(a,b)}^+ \neq M_{(a,b)}^-$, ($\phi_0^{(a,b)} \neq 0$)
 $\lambda_{ab}(\theta)$ is singular at $\theta = 0$.
- In this case, one may modify BTBA to have the correct numerics:

$$\varepsilon = 2mR \cosh \theta - \zeta(\theta) - \varphi * L_s(\theta)$$

$$L_s(\theta) = \log \left(\tanh^2 \theta + \tanh^2 \theta \lambda_{\alpha\beta}(\theta) e^{-\varepsilon(\theta)} \right)$$

$$\zeta(\theta) = \varphi * \log(\coth^2 \theta)$$

$$= \log \left(\frac{\cosh \theta + \sin \pi p}{\cosh \theta - \sin \pi p} \right) \left(\frac{\cosh 2\theta + \cos 2\pi p}{\cosh 2\theta - \cos 2\pi p} \right)$$

Non-symmetric case (2)

- $\tanh^2 \theta \lambda_{\alpha\beta}(\theta)$ is not singular at $\theta = 0$.

$$L_s(\theta) = \log \left(\tanh^2 \theta + \tanh^2 \theta \lambda_{\alpha\beta}(\theta) e^{-\epsilon(\theta)} \right)$$

However, one needs be careful about numerics at a large distance.

Non-symmetric case (3)

■ Another form : $\varepsilon = 2mR \cosh \theta - \tau(\theta) - \varphi * L_{\text{reg}}(\theta)$

$$L_{\text{reg}} = \log \left(\frac{\{1 + \lambda_{ab}(\theta)e^{-\varepsilon}\}}{\{1 + g_{\alpha}^2 g_{\beta}^2 e^{-2mR} / (4 \sinh^2 \theta)\}} \right)$$

$$4\theta^2 \lambda_{\alpha\beta}(\theta)|_{\theta \rightarrow 0} = g_{\alpha}^2 g_{\beta}^2, \quad 0 < \sin \gamma\pi \equiv |g_1 g_2| e^{-mR} / 2 < 1$$

$$\begin{aligned} \tau(\theta) &= \varphi * \log \left(1 + g_{\alpha}^2 g_{\beta}^2 e^{-2\ell} / (4 \sinh^2 \theta) \right) \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \ln \left\{ \frac{\cosh \theta - \cos \pi(p + \gamma)}{\cosh \theta + \cos \pi(p + \gamma)} \frac{\cosh \theta + \cos \pi(p - \gamma)}{\cosh \theta - \cos \pi(p - \gamma)} \right. \\ &\quad \left. \frac{(\cosh 2\theta - \cos 2\pi(p + \gamma))(\cosh 2\theta - \cos 2\pi(p - \gamma))}{(\cosh 2\theta - \cos 2\pi p)^2} \right\} \end{aligned}$$

■ This form gives the long distance behavior explicitly:

$$E_{\alpha\beta}^0(R) = -m \frac{|g_{\alpha} g_{\beta}|}{4} e^{-mR} - \frac{m}{4\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} d\theta \cosh \theta L_{\text{reg}}(\theta)$$

Non-symmetric case (4)

proper boundary parameter range

- M^+ and M^- have a lower bound for the theory to be well-defined: $M^\pm \geq -(\mu / \sin(\pi b^2))^{1/2}$
- A certain negative $M_{(a,b)}^+$ and $M_{(a,b)}^-$ can result in a bound state: The pole position of S_B is given in terms of pure imaginary value P : Non-trivial UV vacuum.
- In addition, there are two different cases to be distinguished: (1) $\vartheta_a \cdot \vartheta_b \geq 0$, (2) $\vartheta_a \cdot \vartheta_b < 0$
BTBA is not sensitive to the signature of $\vartheta_a \cdot \vartheta_b$
BLRA is sensitive to the signature of $\vartheta_a \cdot \vartheta_b$.

Non-symmetric case (5)

TBA is not sensitive to the sign of ϑ . fugacity is given as $\cosh(\vartheta p)$:

$$\begin{aligned}\lambda_{ab}(\theta) &= K_a(-\theta)K_b(\theta) \\ &= \coth^2 \frac{\theta}{2} \cdot \frac{\cosh \theta + \cos \frac{\pi p}{2}}{\cosh \theta - \cos \frac{\pi p}{2}} \cdot \frac{\cosh \theta + \sin \frac{\pi p}{2}}{\cosh \theta - \sin \frac{\pi p}{2}} \\ &\times \frac{\cosh \theta - \cosh(\eta_a p)}{\cosh \theta + \cosh(\eta_a p)} \cdot \frac{\cosh \theta - \cosh(\eta_b p)}{\cosh \theta + \cosh(\eta_b p)} \\ &\times \frac{\cosh \theta - \cosh(\vartheta_a p)}{\cosh \theta + \cosh(\vartheta_a p)} \cdot \frac{\cosh \theta - \cosh(\vartheta_b p)}{\cosh \theta + \cosh(\vartheta_b p)}\end{aligned}$$

Non-symmetric case (6)

BLRA is sensitive to the signature of $\vartheta_a \cdot \vartheta_b$ or $\phi_0^{(a)} \cdot \phi_0^{(b)}$

■ boundary parameters: $M^\pm = (\mu / \sin(\pi b^2))^{1/2} \cosh(\pi b s^\pm)$

$$\eta = \pi(s^+ + s^-)/(2b); \quad \vartheta = \pi(s^+ - s^-)/(2b)$$

$s^\pm >$ is chosen: $\vartheta \rightarrow -\vartheta$ results in $s^+ \leftrightarrow s^-$.

■ case with $\vartheta_a \cdot \vartheta_b > 0$

$$e^{-4iPQ \log(L/\pi)} S_B(P|s_a^+, s_b^+) S_B(P|s_a^-, s_b^-) = 1$$

■ case with $\vartheta_a \cdot \vartheta_b < 0$.

$$e^{-4iPQ \log(L/\pi)} S_B(P|s_a^+, s_b^-) S_B(P|s_a^-, s_b^+) = 1$$

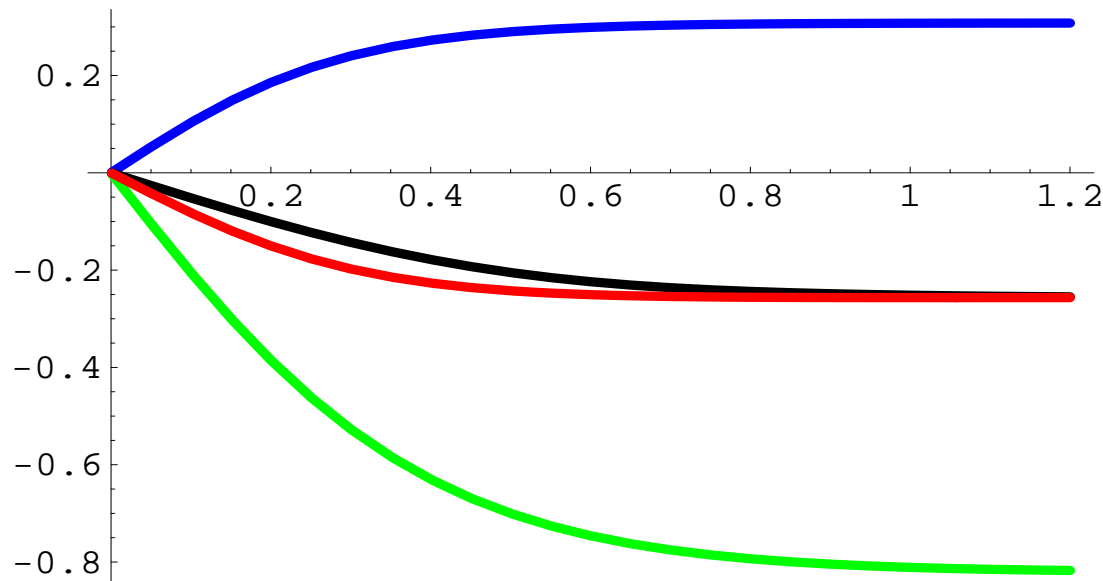
Non-symmetric case (7)

choose parameters

$$b^2 = 0.8086, \quad \eta_a = \eta_b = \vartheta_a = \vartheta_b = i\pi/3$$

$$s_a^+ = s_b^+ = \frac{b}{\pi}(\eta_a + \vartheta_a) = i\frac{2b}{3}, \quad s_a^- = s_b^- = \frac{b}{\pi}(\eta_a - \vartheta_a) = 0$$

$$\Delta_B(P|s_a^+, s_b^+) = \Delta_B(P|i\frac{2b}{3}, i\frac{2b}{3}), \quad \Delta_B(P|s_a^-, s_b^-) = \Delta_B(0, 0)$$
$$\left(\frac{\Delta_B(P|s_a^+, s_b^+) + \Delta_B(P|s_a^-, s_b^-)}{2} \right), \quad \Delta_B(P|s_a^+, s_b^-) = \Delta_B(P|i\frac{2b}{3}, 0)$$



Non-symmetric case (8)

Numerics is done for $\Delta(P|s_a, s_b)$

$$\blacksquare S_L(P) \equiv \exp(i\Delta_L(P)) \quad S_B(P|s_a^+, s_b^+) \equiv \exp(i\Delta_B(P|s_a^-, s_b^-))$$

$$\blacksquare \Delta(P|s_a, s_b) = \Delta_B(P) - \frac{1}{2}\Delta_L(P)$$

$$\Delta(P|s_a, s_b) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{\sin(2Pt)dt}{t} \times \left(\frac{\cos(s_a t) \cos(s_b t) - \cosh(bt/2) \cosh(b^{-1}t/2) \cosh((b - b^{-1})t/2)}{\sinh(bt) \sinh(t/b)} \right)$$

$$\blacksquare \text{TBA result using } P_{\text{TBA}} = \sqrt{(1 - c_{\text{eff}})/24}$$

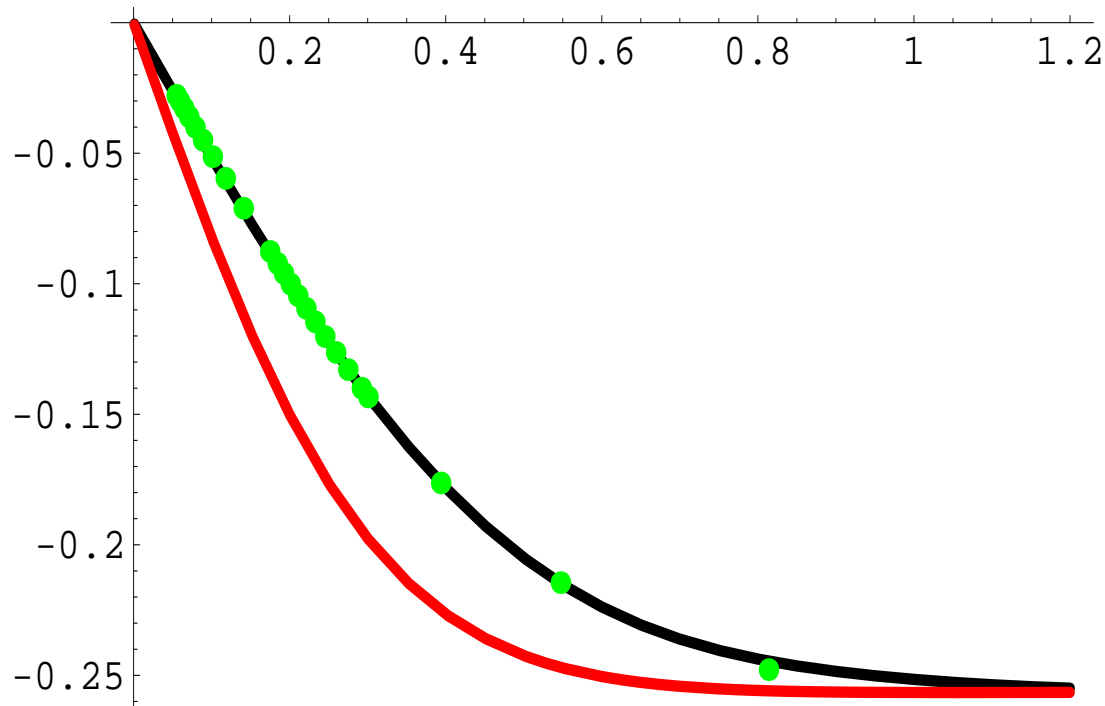
$$\text{or } E_0^{\text{TBA}}(R) = -\frac{\pi}{24R}c_{\text{eff}} = \frac{\pi}{R} \left(-\frac{1}{24} + P_{\text{TBA}}^2 \right)$$

Non-symmetric case (9)

TBA with $b^2 = 0.8086$, $\eta_a = \eta_b = \vartheta_a = \vartheta_b = i\pi/3$

$$s_a^+ = s_b^+ = \frac{b}{\pi}(\eta_a + \vartheta_a) = i\frac{2b}{3}, \quad s_a^- = s_b^- = \frac{b}{\pi}(\eta_a - \vartheta_a) = 0$$

$$\left(\frac{\Delta(P|s_a^+, s_b^+) + \Delta(P|s_a^-, s_b^-)}{2} \right), \quad \left(\frac{\Delta(P|s_a^+, s_b^-) + \Delta(P|s_a^-, s_b^+)}{2} \right)$$



Non-symmetric case (10)

Case with $\vartheta_a \cdot \vartheta_b < 0$

TBA is not sensitive to the sign of ϑ . fugacity is given as $\cosh(\vartheta p)$:

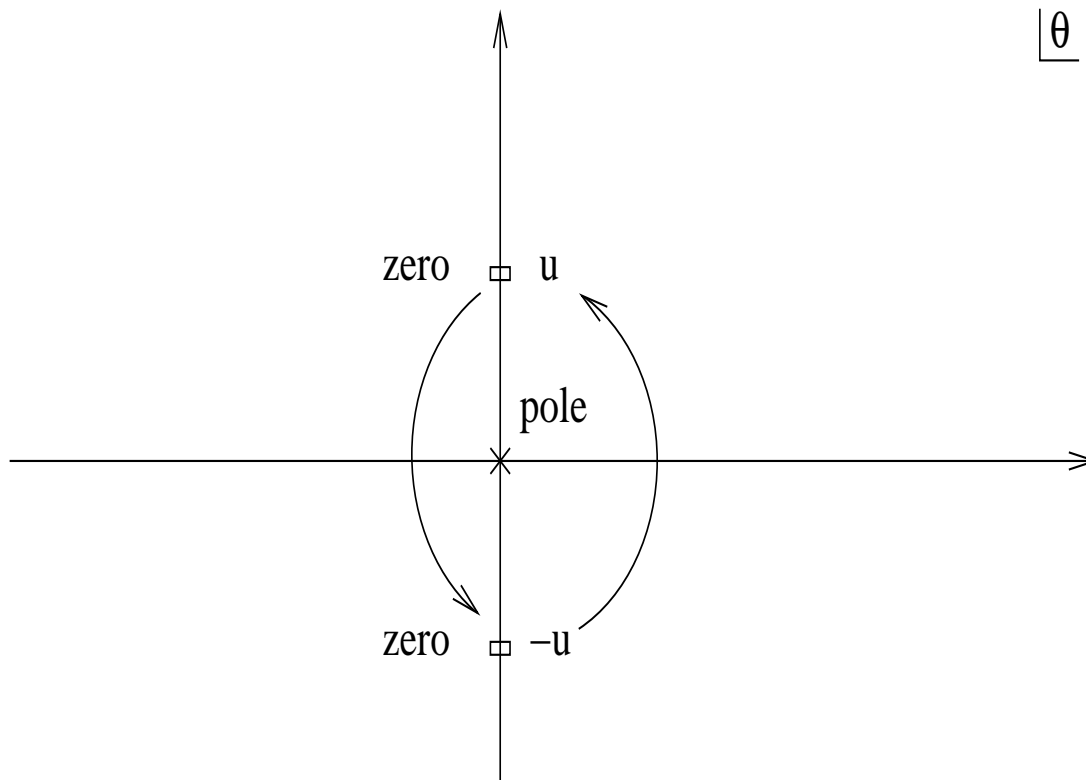
$$\begin{aligned}\lambda_{ab}(\theta) &= K_a(-\theta)K_b(\theta) \\ &= \coth^2 \frac{\theta}{2} \cdot \frac{\cosh \theta + \cos \frac{\pi p}{2}}{\cosh \theta - \cos \frac{\pi p}{2}} \cdot \frac{\cosh \theta + \sin \frac{\pi p}{2}}{\cosh \theta - \sin \frac{\pi p}{2}} \\ &\times \frac{\cosh \theta - \cosh(\eta_a p)}{\cosh \theta + \cosh(\eta_a p)} \cdot \frac{\cosh \theta - \cosh(\eta_b p)}{\cosh \theta + \cosh(\eta_b p)} \\ &\times \frac{\cosh \theta - \cosh(\vartheta_a p)}{\cosh \theta + \cosh(\vartheta_a p)} \cdot \frac{\cosh \theta - \cosh(\vartheta_b p)}{\cosh \theta + \cosh(\vartheta_b p)}\end{aligned}$$

Non-symmetric case (11)

Case with $\vartheta_a \cdot \vartheta_b < 0$

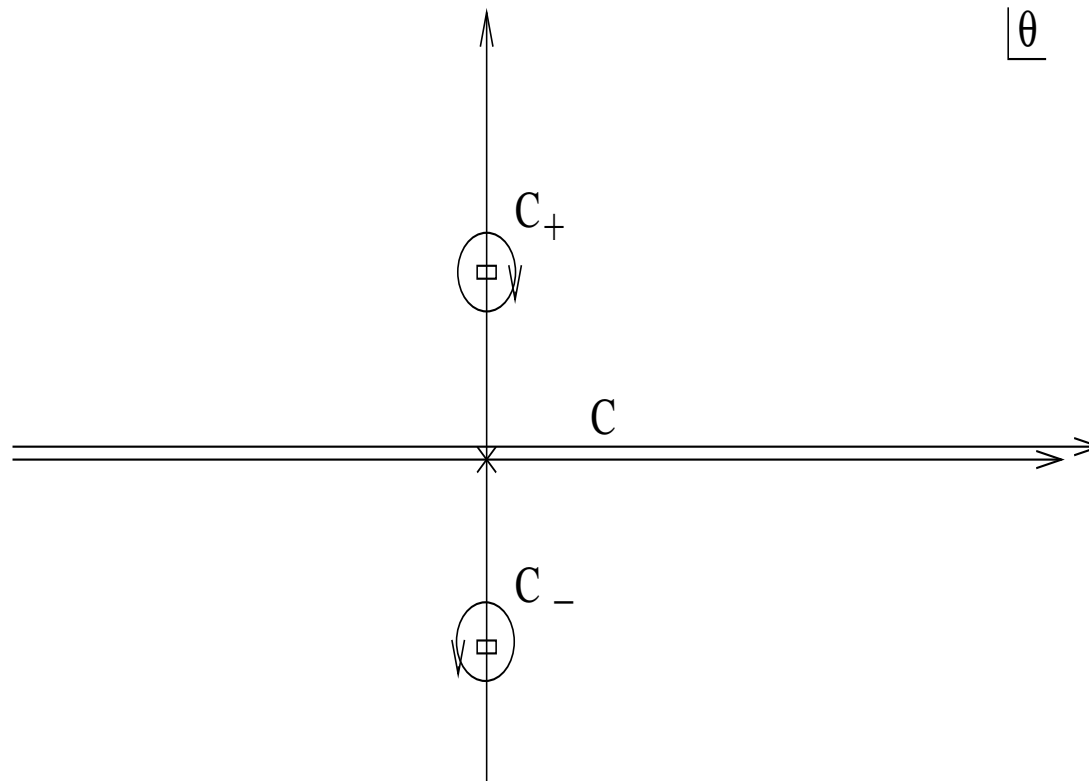
To cure this, use the idea of singularity crossing.

Singularity of $L(\theta)$: $\bar{K}_\beta(iu)K_\alpha(iu)e^{-\epsilon(iu)} + 1 = 0$



Non-symmetric case (12)

Deform the integration contour and analytically continue
BTBA



Non-symmetric case (13)

New form of BTBA

$$E_{-\alpha\beta}^0(R) = m \sin u - m \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{d\theta}{4\pi} \cosh \theta \log \left(1 + \lambda_{\alpha\beta}(\theta) e^{-\epsilon(\theta)} \right)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \epsilon(\theta) = & 2mR \cosh \theta + \log \frac{S(\theta - iu)}{S(\theta + iu)} \\ & - \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{d\theta'}{2\pi} \varphi(\theta - \theta') \log \left(1 + \lambda_{\alpha\beta}(\theta') e^{-\epsilon(\theta')} \right) \end{aligned}$$

$$1 = -\bar{K}_{\beta}(iu) K_{\alpha}(iu) e^{-\epsilon(iu)}$$

Non-symmetric case (14)

Large distance behavior: $mR \gg 1$

- $\epsilon \cong 2mR \cosh \theta$
- $\sin u \cong u = g_\alpha g_\beta \frac{e^{-mR}}{2}$
- energy difference: $\Delta E_{\alpha\beta}^0 \cong m \sin u$
- crossed channel rapidity: $\kappa = \left(\frac{\pi}{2} - u\right)$

$$\Delta E_{\alpha\beta}^0 \cong m \sin u = m \cosh(i\kappa)$$

Non-symmetric case (15)

- zero position

$$\bar{K}_\beta(iu)K_\alpha(iu)e^{-\epsilon(iu)} = -1$$

- cross channel:

use $K(\theta) = S(2\theta)K(-\theta)$ (crossing symmetry), $S(2i\kappa) \cong -1$
and $\epsilon(iu) \cong 2mR \cosh(iu) = -2imR \sinh i\kappa$

$$R_\beta(i\kappa)R_\alpha(i\kappa)e^{2imR \sinh(i\kappa)} = 1$$

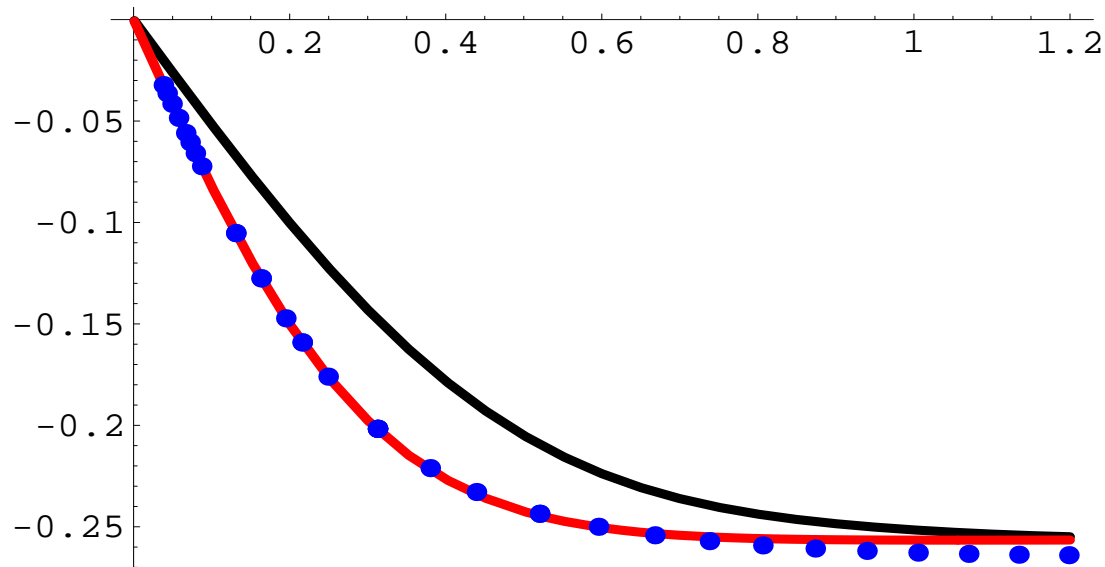
- a particle is trapped inside the strip, reflecting with

momentum $p = i\kappa \cong i\pi/2$ and
energy $\Delta E_{\alpha\beta}^0 \cong m \cosh(i\kappa)$

Non-symmetric case (16)

Modified TBA with

$$b^2 = 0.8086, \quad \eta_a = \eta_b = \vartheta_a = \vartheta_b = i\pi/3$$

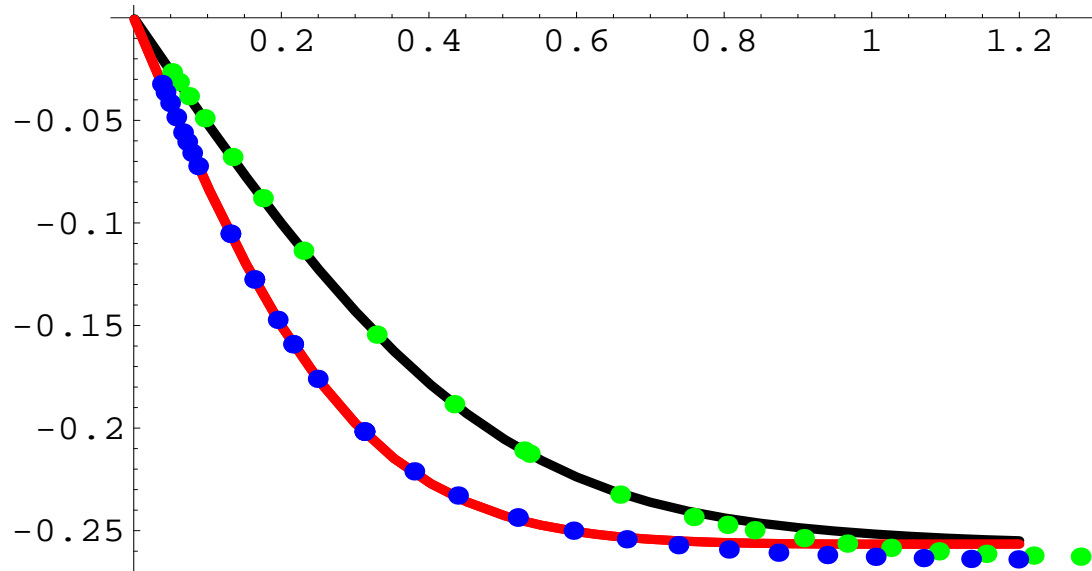


$$s_a^+ = s_b^+ = \frac{b}{\pi}(\eta_a + \vartheta_a) = i\frac{2b}{3}, \quad s_a^- = s_b^- = \frac{b}{\pi}(\eta_a - \vartheta_a) = 0$$

$$\left(\frac{\Delta_B(P|s_a^+, s_b^+) + \Delta_B(P|s_a^-, s_b^-)}{2} \right), \quad \left(\frac{\Delta(P|s_a^+, s_b^-) + \Delta(P|s_a^-, s_b^+)}{2} \right)$$

Non-symmetric case (17)

Summary with $b^2 = 0.8086$, $\eta_a = \eta_b = \vartheta_a = \vartheta_b = i\pi/3$



$$s_a^+ = s_b^+ = \frac{b}{\pi}(\eta_a + \vartheta_a) = i\frac{2b}{3}, \quad s_a^- = s_b^- = \frac{b}{\pi}(\eta_a - \vartheta_a) = 0$$

$$\left(\frac{\Delta_B(P|s_a^+, s_b^+) + \Delta_B(P|s_a^-, s_b^-)}{2} \right), \quad \left(\frac{\Delta(P|s_a^+, s_b^-) + \Delta(P|s_a^-, s_b^+)}{2} \right)$$

Conclusion

- We have seen some non-trivial results for boundary sinh-Gordon theory, non-compact CFT perturbation theory.
- Boundary negative potential may result in non-trivial vacuum which have $c_{\text{eff}} > 1$. This result may lead to give some hints on boundary Toda theory with negative coefficient.
- Opposite sign of parameters (ϑ or ϕ_0) has the singularity crossing effect, which is seen already in other models.