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# Complete phase diagram for the integrable chain with alternating spins in the sectors with competing interactions

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**Abstract.** We investigate the anisotropic integrable spin chain consisting of spins  $s = \frac{1}{2}$  and  $s = 1$  by means of thermodynamic Bethe ansatz for the anisotropy  $\gamma > \pi/3$ , where the analysis of the Takahashi conditions leads to a more complicated string picture. We give the phase diagram with respect to the two real coupling constants  $\bar{c}$  and  $\tilde{c}$ , which contain a new region where the ground state is formed by strings with infinite Fermi zones. In this region the velocities of sound for the two physical excitations have been calculated from the dressed energies. This leads to an additional line of conformal invariance not known before.

## 1. Introduction

In 1992 de Vega and Woynarovich [1] constructed the first example of an integrable spin chain with alternating spins of the values  $s = \frac{1}{2}$  and  $s = 1$  on the basis of the well known  $XXZ(\frac{1}{2})$  model. We call this model  $XXZ(\frac{1}{2}, 1)$ . It contains two real coupling constants  $\bar{c}$  and  $\tilde{c}$ . Most authors have limited their study to positive values for them. In our series of papers [2–4] we studied the  $XXZ(\frac{1}{2}, 1)$  model in the whole  $(\bar{c}, \tilde{c})$ -plane and determined the ground state by thermodynamic Bethe ansatz (TBA) for equal signs of couplings and for competing interactions in the case  $\gamma \leq \pi/3$ . We have found four regions with different ground states. Two of them contain only strings with infinite Fermi zones, they include the sectors with equal signs of the couplings and are well studied.

In this paper we wish to deal with the remaining case of competing interactions for  $\gamma > \pi/3$ . The paper is organized as follows. After having reviewed the definitions in section 2 we start our analysis with TBA in section 3. We restrict ourselves to special values of the anisotropy  $\gamma > \pi/3$  and perform the analysis of the Takahashi conditions. The TBA equations are given explicitly. In section 4 we discuss them with respect to the values of the couplings  $\bar{c}$  and  $\tilde{c}$ , what leads to the ground-state phase diagram, which contains a new region with strings having infinite Fermi zones. In this region the velocities of sound for the two physical excitations are calculated in section 5, while section 6 contains our conclusions.

We found it necessary to use the abbreviations I, II and III for our papers [2–4] respectively.

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## 2. Description of the model

We refer the reader to I for the basics of the model.

Our Hamiltonian of a spin chain of length  $2N$  is given by

$$\mathcal{H}(\gamma) = \tilde{c}\tilde{\mathcal{H}}(\gamma) + \tilde{c}\tilde{\mathcal{H}}(\gamma) \quad (2.1)$$

with the two couplings  $\tilde{c}$  and  $\tilde{c}$ . The anisotropy parameter  $\gamma$  is limited to  $0 < \gamma < \pi/2$ . For convenience we repeat the Bethe ansatz equations (BAE), the magnon energies and momenta and the spin projection

$$\left( \frac{\sinh(\lambda_j + i\frac{\gamma}{2}) \sinh(\lambda_j + i\gamma)}{\sinh(\lambda_j - i\frac{\gamma}{2}) \sinh(\lambda_j - i\gamma)} \right)^N = - \prod_{k=1}^M \frac{\sinh(\lambda_j - \lambda_k + i\gamma)}{\sinh(\lambda_j - \lambda_k - i\gamma)} \quad j = 1 \dots M \quad (2.2)$$

$$E = \tilde{c}\tilde{E} + \tilde{c}\tilde{E}$$

$$\tilde{E} = - \sum_{j=1}^M \frac{2 \sin \gamma}{\cosh 2\lambda_j - \cos \gamma}$$

$$\tilde{E} = - \sum_{j=1}^M \frac{2 \sin 2\gamma}{\cosh 2\lambda_j - \cos 2\gamma} \quad (2.3)$$

$$P = \frac{i}{2} \sum_{j=1}^M \left\{ \log \left( \frac{\sinh(\lambda_j + i\frac{\gamma}{2})}{\sinh(\lambda_j - i\frac{\gamma}{2})} \right) + \log \left( \frac{\sinh(\lambda_j + i\gamma)}{\sinh(\lambda_j - i\gamma)} \right) \right\} \quad (2.4)$$

$$S_z = \frac{3N}{2} - M. \quad (2.5)$$

## 3. Thermodynamic Bethe ansatz

Following paper I we assume that the solutions of (2.2) are of the string-type in the thermodynamic limit

$$\lambda_\alpha^{n,j,\nu} = \lambda_\alpha^{n,\nu} + i(n+1-2j)\frac{\gamma}{2} + \frac{1}{4}i\pi(1-\nu) + \delta_\alpha^{n,j,\nu} \quad j = 1 \dots n. \quad (3.1)$$

Here  $\lambda_\alpha^{n,\nu}$  is the real centre of the string,  $n$  is the string length and  $\nu$  is the parity of the string with values  $\pm 1$ . The last term is a correction due to finite-size effects. These strings have to obey the Takahashi conditions [5]

$$\nu_n \sin \gamma_j \sin \gamma(n-j) > 0 \quad j = 1 \dots n-1. \quad (3.2)$$

Substituting (3.1) into (2.2) and taking the logarithm yields

$$N t_{j,1}(\lambda_\alpha^{n_j}) + N t_{j,2}(\lambda_\alpha^{n_j}) = 2\pi I_\alpha^{n_j} + \sum_k \sum_\beta \Theta_{jk}(\lambda_\alpha^{n_j} - \lambda_\beta^{n_k}, \nu_j \nu_k) \quad (3.3)$$

with the known notations

$$t_{j,2S}(\lambda) = \sum_{k=1}^{\min(n_j, 2S)} f(\lambda, |n_j - 2S| + 2k - 1, \nu_j) \quad (3.4)$$

$$\Theta_{jk}(\lambda) = f(\lambda, |n_j - n_k|, \nu_j \nu_k) + f(\lambda, (n_j + n_k), \nu_j \nu_k)$$

$$+ 2 \sum_{k=1}^{\min(n_j, n_k) - 1} f(\lambda, |n_j - n_k| + 2k, \nu_j \nu_k) \quad (3.5)$$

and

$$f(\lambda, n, \nu) = \begin{cases} 0 & n\gamma/\pi \in \mathbb{Z} \\ 2\nu \arctan((\cot(n\gamma/2))^\nu \tanh \lambda) & n\gamma/\pi \notin \mathbb{Z}. \end{cases} \quad (3.6)$$

Here we have used the fact that a given string length  $n > 1$  corresponds to a unique parity, which is a consequence of (3.2). The numbers  $I_\alpha^{n_j}$  are half-odd integers counting the strings of length  $n_j$ .

Introducing particle and hole densities in the usual way, we perform the limiting process  $N \rightarrow \infty$

$$a_{j,1}(\lambda) + a_{j,2}(\lambda) = (\rho_j(\lambda) + \tilde{\rho}_j(\lambda))(-1)^{r(j)} + \sum_k T_{jk} * \rho_k(\lambda) \quad (3.7)$$

where  $a * b(\lambda)$  denotes the convolution

$$a * b(\lambda) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} d\mu a(\lambda - \mu)b(\mu) \quad (3.8)$$

and

$$a_{j,2S}(\lambda) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \frac{d}{d\lambda} t_{j,2S}(\lambda) \quad T_{j,k}(\lambda) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \frac{d}{d\lambda} \Theta_{j,k}(\lambda). \quad (3.9)$$

The sign  $(-1)^{r(j)}$  results from the requirement of positive densities in the ‘non-interacting’ limit.

We are now able to express energy, momentum and spin in terms of the densities via (2.3)–(2.5). The standard procedure leads to equations determining the equilibrium state at temperature  $T$  (TBA equations):

$$T \ln \left( 1 + \exp \left( \frac{\epsilon_j}{T} \right) \right) = -2\pi \tilde{c} a_{j,1}(\lambda) - 2\pi \tilde{c} a_{j,2}(\lambda) + \sum_k T \ln \left( 1 + \exp \left( \frac{-\epsilon_k}{T} \right) \right) * A_{jk}(\lambda) \quad (3.10)$$

with

$$A_{jk}(\lambda) = (-1)^{r(k)} T_{jk}(\lambda, \nu_j \nu_k) + \delta(\lambda) \delta_{jk} \quad (3.11)$$

and

$$\frac{\tilde{\rho}_j}{\rho_j} = \exp \left( \frac{\epsilon_j}{T} \right). \quad (3.12)$$

Again the free energy can be expressed in terms of our new variables  $\epsilon_j(\lambda)$ :

$$2\mathcal{F} = \frac{F}{N} = - \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} d\lambda \sum_j (-1)^{r(j)} (a_{j,1}(\lambda) + a_{j,2}(\lambda)) T \ln \left( 1 + \exp \left( \frac{-\epsilon_j}{T} \right) \right). \quad (3.13)$$

In I we analysed TBA equations for  $\gamma = \pi/\mu$ ,  $\mu \dots$  integer,  $\mu \geq 3$ , where strings:

(i)  $n_j = j$ ,  $\nu_j = 1$ ,  $j = 1 \dots \mu - 1$ ,

(ii)  $n_\mu = 1$ ,  $\nu_\mu = -1$

occur. The equations obtained allow the complete discussion of the ground-state properties for values  $0 < \gamma \leq \pi/3$ . On the other hand, the picture for  $\gamma > \pi/3$  is still not fully clear. For this reason we wish to investigate the case

$$\frac{\pi}{\gamma} = 2 + \frac{1}{\mu} \quad \mu \in \mathbb{N} \quad \mu \geq 2. \quad (3.14)$$

This restricts  $\gamma$  to  $2\pi/5 < \gamma < \pi/2$ . The analysis of (3.2) then leads to three Takahashi zones with:

- (i)  $n_1 = 1, v_1 = 1,$
- (ii)  $n_j = 2j - 3, v_j = (-1)^{j+1}, j = 2 \dots \mu + 1,$
- (iii)  $n_{\mu+2} = 2, v_{\mu+2} = 1.$

The operator  $A_{jk}$  (3.10) now has to be reversed by

$$\begin{aligned}
C_{11} &= \delta(\lambda) - d_1(\lambda) \\
C_{21} &= -C_{23} = s_2(\lambda) & C_{22} &= 1 \\
C_{jk} &= \delta(\lambda)\delta_{jk} - s_2(\lambda)(\delta_{j+1k} + \delta_{j-1k}) & j, k &= 3 \dots \mu \\
C_{\mu+1, \mu} &= -s_2(\lambda) & C_{\mu+1, \mu+1} &= C_{\mu+2, \mu+1} = -C_{\mu+1, \mu+2} = \frac{1}{2}\delta(\lambda) \\
C_{\mu+2, \mu+2} &= \delta(\lambda)
\end{aligned} \tag{3.15}$$

where

$$\begin{aligned}
s_2(\lambda) &= \frac{1}{2(\pi - 2\gamma) \cosh(\pi\lambda/(\pi - 2\gamma))} \\
d_1(\lambda) &= \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{i\omega\lambda} \frac{\cosh(\omega(\pi - 3\gamma)/2) d\omega}{2 \cosh(\omega(\pi - 2\gamma)/2) \cosh(\omega\gamma/2)}.
\end{aligned} \tag{3.16}$$

The reversed TBA equations read

$$\begin{aligned}
\epsilon_1(\lambda) &= -2\pi \tilde{c}s_1(\lambda) - 2\pi \tilde{c}d_1(\lambda) - Td_1 * \ln(f(\epsilon_1)) - Ts_2 * \ln(f(\epsilon_2)) \\
\epsilon_2(\lambda) &= 2\pi \tilde{c}s_2(\lambda) + Ts_2 * \ln(f(\epsilon_3)) - Ts_2 * \ln(f(\epsilon_1)) \\
\epsilon_j(\lambda) &= -Ts_2 * \ln(f(\epsilon_{j+1})f(\epsilon_{j-1})) - \delta_{j\mu}Ts_2 * \ln(f(-\epsilon_{\mu+2})) & j &= 3 \dots \mu \\
\epsilon_{\mu+1}(\lambda) &= -Ts_2 * \ln(f(\epsilon_{\mu})) \\
\epsilon_{\mu+2}(\lambda) &= Ts_2 * \ln(f(\epsilon_{\mu}))
\end{aligned} \tag{3.17}$$

with

$$s_1(\lambda) = \frac{1}{2\gamma \cosh(\pi\lambda/\gamma)} \tag{3.18}$$

and the Fermi function

$$f(x) = \frac{1}{1 + e^{x/T}}. \tag{3.19}$$

This system of equations looks very similar to equations (3.17) in I. In both cases only the strings with Takahashi indices 1, 2,  $\mu + 2$  ( $\mu$  in I) can occur in the ground state. Notice that the (2, +)-strings and the (1, -)-strings have interchanged their positions in I(3.17) and (3.17).

#### 4. Ground states and phase diagram

To obtain the ground state one has to carry out  $T \rightarrow 0$  in (3.10) and (3.17). Eliminating the strings which are not relevant for the ground state one arrives at the systems

$$\begin{aligned}
\epsilon_{1+}(\lambda) &= -2\pi \tilde{c}s_1(\lambda) - K_1 * \epsilon_{1-}^-(\lambda) \\
\epsilon_{2+}(\lambda) &= -2\pi \tilde{c}s_1 * s_1(\lambda) - 2\pi \tilde{c}s_1(\lambda) * \epsilon_{1+}^-(\lambda) + K_2 * \epsilon_{1-}^-(\lambda) \\
\epsilon_{1-}(\lambda) &= 2\pi \tilde{c}s_1 * K_1(\lambda) + 2\pi \tilde{c}K_1(\lambda) + K_1 * \epsilon_{1+}^-(\lambda) - K_3 * \epsilon_{1-}^-(\lambda)
\end{aligned} \tag{4.1}$$

or equivalently

$$\begin{aligned}
\epsilon_{1+}(\lambda) &= -2\pi \tilde{c}s_1(\lambda) - 2\pi \tilde{c}d_1(\lambda) + d_1 * \epsilon_{1+}^+(\lambda) + s_2 * \epsilon_{1-}^+(\lambda) \\
\epsilon_{2+}(\lambda) &= -K_4 * \epsilon_{1-}^+(\lambda) \\
\epsilon_{1-}(\lambda) &= 2\pi \tilde{c}s_2(\lambda) - s_2 * \epsilon_{1+}^+(\lambda) + (\delta - K_5) * \epsilon_{1-}^+(\lambda).
\end{aligned} \tag{4.2}$$

Here for the sake of clarity we have labelled the strings by their lengths and parities instead of Takahashi indices.  $\epsilon^\pm$  denote positive and negative parts of  $\epsilon$  respectively. The functions newly introduced are defined via their Fourier transforms and are given in the appendix.

It is remarkable that these equations are valid for the whole region  $\pi/3 < \gamma < \pi/2$  though they are obtained relying on the TBA for  $2\pi/5 \leq \gamma < \pi/2$ . This is due to the fact that the relevant part of the string picture does not change passing the point  $\gamma = 2\pi/5$ , what can easily be checked by performing the Takahashi analysis for  $\frac{1}{3} < \pi/\gamma < \frac{5}{2}$ .

Now one can discuss (4.1) and (4.2) with respect to the signs of  $\bar{c}$  and  $\tilde{c}$  for  $\pi/3 < \gamma < \pi/2$ .

(a)  $\bar{c}, \tilde{c} > 0$ . The solution can be given explicitly. We have

$$\epsilon_{1+}(\lambda) = -2\pi\bar{c}s_1(\lambda) \quad \epsilon_{2+}(\lambda) = -2\pi\tilde{c}s_1(\lambda). \quad (4.3)$$

This is the solution of de Vega and Woynarovich [1].

(b)  $\bar{c} < 0$ . From (4.1) we have  $\epsilon_{1+} \equiv \epsilon_{1+}^+$ . Therefore we find the following integral equations for the two relevant functions  $\epsilon_{2+}$  and  $\epsilon_{1-}$ :

$$\begin{aligned} \epsilon_{2+}(\lambda) &= -K_4 * \epsilon_{1-}^+(\lambda) \\ \epsilon_{1-}(\lambda) &= 2\pi\bar{c}s(\lambda) + \tilde{c}g(\lambda, \gamma) + s * K_6 * \epsilon_{1-}^+(\lambda). \end{aligned} \quad (4.4)$$

(The definition of  $g(\lambda, \gamma)$  is repeated in the appendix.) From these equations it can be seen that for the vanishing positive part of  $\epsilon_{1-}(\lambda)$  the solution discussed in I is reproduced. The borderlines of this sector are found in II. Beyond this line  $\epsilon_{1-}(\lambda)$  is positive in an interval  $(-b, b)$ .  $b$  is called the Fermi radius. It increases moving anticlockwise towards the line  $\bar{c} = 0$ , where it reaches infinity (see figure 1).

(c)  $\tilde{c} < 0$ . From (4.2) we see that the solution can only be self-consistent, if  $\epsilon_{1-}^+ \equiv 0$  holds. One is left with the integral equations

$$\begin{aligned} \epsilon_{1+}(\lambda) &= -2\pi\bar{c}s_1(\lambda) - 2\pi\tilde{c}d_1(\lambda) + d_1 * \epsilon_{1+}^+(\lambda) \\ \epsilon_{1-}(\lambda) &= 2\pi\tilde{c}s_2(\lambda) - s_2 * \epsilon_{1+}^+(\lambda) \end{aligned} \quad (4.5)$$

for  $\epsilon_{1+}$  and  $\epsilon_{1-}$ . We want to discuss the case  $\epsilon_{1+}^+ \equiv 0$  first. Then the solution reads

$$\begin{aligned} \epsilon_{1+}(\lambda) &= -2\pi\bar{c}s_1(\lambda) - 2\pi\tilde{c}d_1(\lambda) \\ \epsilon_{1-}(\lambda) &= 2\pi\tilde{c}s_2(\lambda). \end{aligned} \quad (4.6)$$

The sector where this solution exists is given by the requirements

$$\epsilon_{1+}(\lambda) \leq 0 \quad \epsilon_{1-}(\lambda) \leq 0. \quad (4.7)$$

While the latter condition is always fulfilled we expect restrictions on the values of  $\bar{c}$  and  $\tilde{c}$  coming from the first one. Putting  $\lambda = 0$  yields

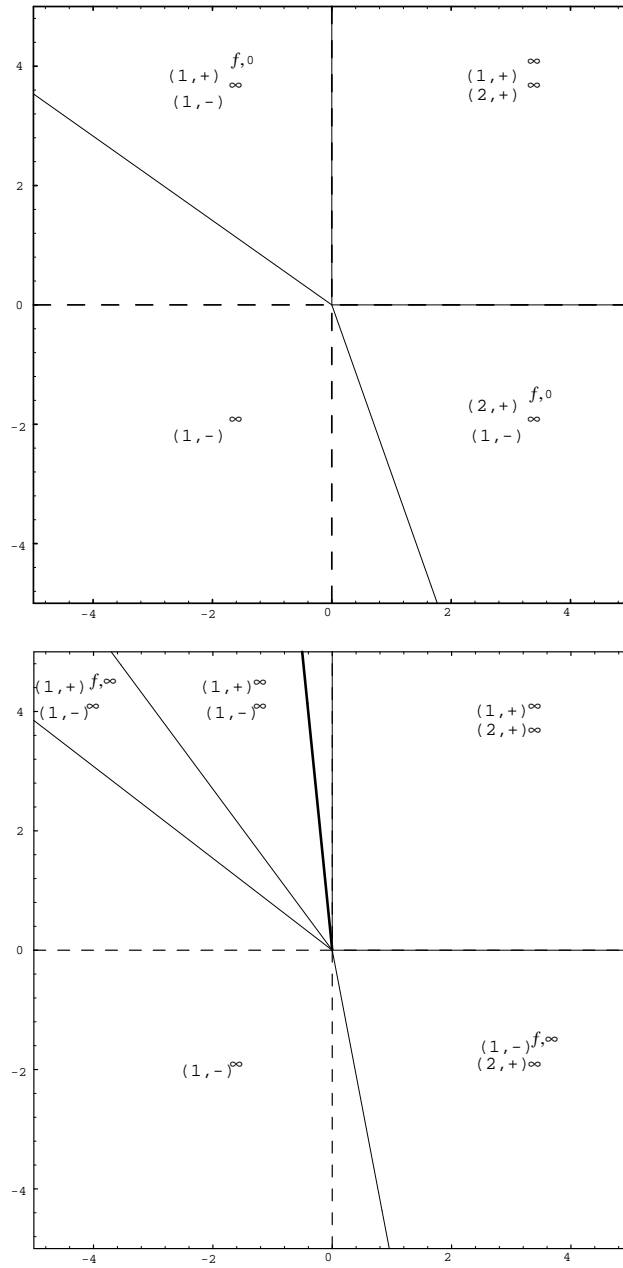
$$\frac{\bar{c}}{|\bar{c}|} \geq 2\gamma d_1(0). \quad (4.8)$$

For  $\lambda \rightarrow \infty$  we look at the asymptotics

$$\epsilon_{1+}(\lambda) \cong -\frac{2\pi}{\gamma} e^{-\pi\lambda/\gamma} \left( \bar{c} + \tilde{c} \tan\left(\frac{\pi^2}{2\gamma}\right) \right). \quad (4.9)$$

This yields

$$\frac{\bar{c}}{|\bar{c}|} \geq \tan\left(\frac{\pi^2}{2\gamma}\right). \quad (4.10)$$



**Figure 1.** Phase diagram in the  $(\bar{c}, \bar{c})$ -plane for  $\gamma = \pi/3, 3\pi/8, 2\pi/5$  and  $3\pi/7$  respectively. The string contents of the sectors is indicated. Axes are drawn broken except they coincide with sector borders. Upper indices indicate infinite and finite Fermi zones. In the latter case, the second index distinguishes, whether the filling starts at  $\lambda = 0$  or  $\lambda = \infty$ . The heavy line marks a new line of conformal invariance (see section 5).

The more restrictive one of the inequalities (4.8) and (4.10) marks the borderline of the

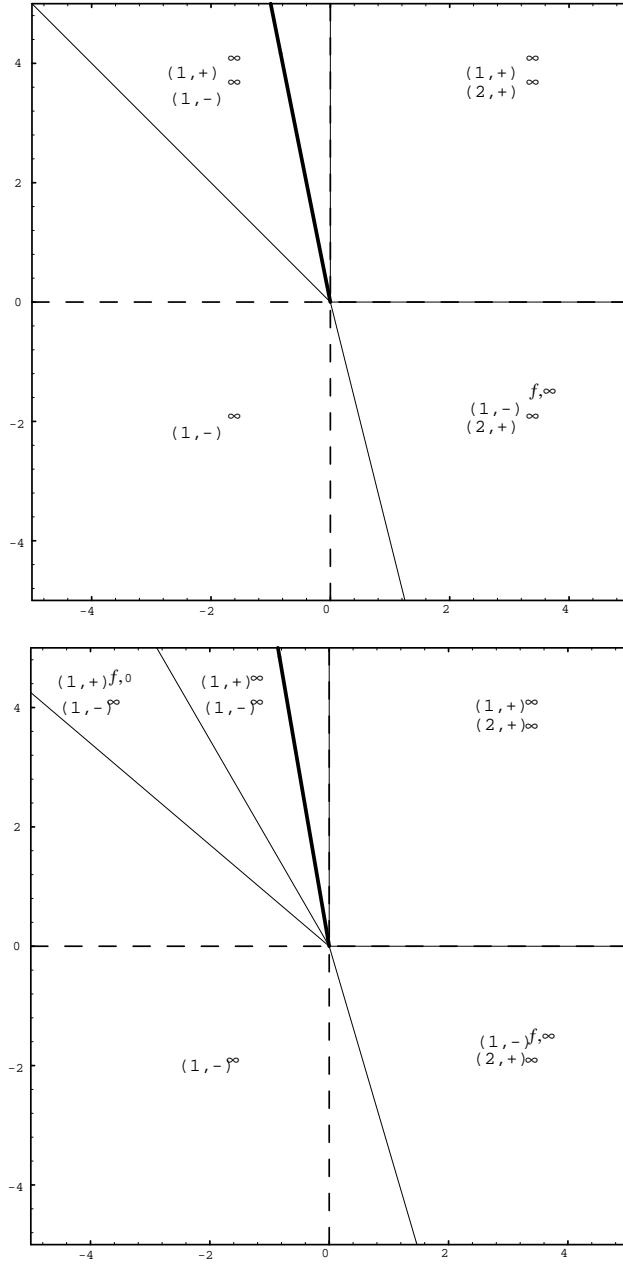


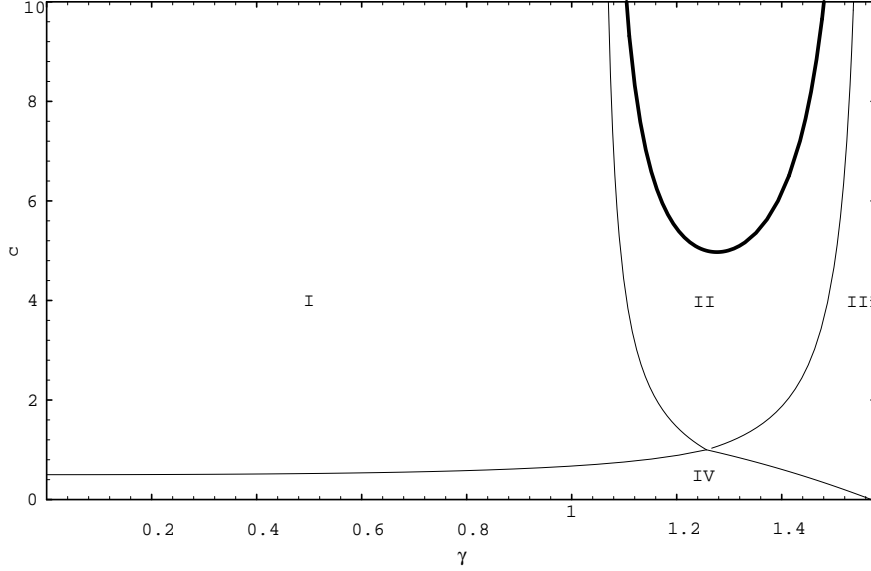
Figure 1. (Continued)

investigated sector. Noting

$$\tan\left(\frac{\pi^2}{2\gamma}\right) > 2\gamma d_1(0) \quad \text{for } \frac{\pi}{3} < \gamma < \frac{2\pi}{5} \quad (4.11)$$

$$\tan\left(\frac{\pi^2}{2\gamma}\right) < 2\gamma d_1(0) \quad \text{for } \frac{2\pi}{5} < \gamma < \frac{\pi}{2} \quad (4.12)$$





**Figure 2.** Phase diagram for  $c = \bar{c}/|\bar{c}| > 0$  over  $\gamma$ . The sectors labelled differ with respect to their string contents. The heavy curve indicates a new line of conformal invariance.

and

$$2\gamma d_1(0) = 1 \quad \text{for } \gamma = \frac{2\pi}{5} \quad (4.13)$$

we conclude the following. The region with infinite Fermi zones for 1-strings with different parities is given by equation (4.8) for  $2\pi/5 \leq \gamma < \pi/2$  and by equation (4.10) for  $\pi/3 < \gamma \leq 2\pi/5$ . Below the line specified by (4.8) and (4.10) respectively  $\epsilon_{1+}$  is positive in an interval  $(-b, b)$  for  $2\pi/5 < \gamma < \pi/2$ , while it is positive for  $|\lambda| \in (b, \infty)$  for  $\pi/3 < \gamma < 2\pi/5$ .  $b$  is again called the Fermi radius. Moving anticlockwise in the  $(\bar{c}, \tilde{c})$ -plane from the line (4.8) or (4.10),  $b$  increases (decreases) until  $\epsilon_{1+}$  is completely positive and the solution from I is reproduced (see figure 1). The borderline of this sector is again given in II. For  $\gamma = 2\pi/5$  no region with finite Fermi zone for  $(1, +)$  exists. The phaselines coincide at this point (see figure 1).

This, together with the results from I and II, allow us to give the phase diagram in the sectors with competing interactions, i.e. for different signs of the coupling constants (see figures 2 and 3). The sectors are labelled according to table 1 and are different with respect to the string contents.

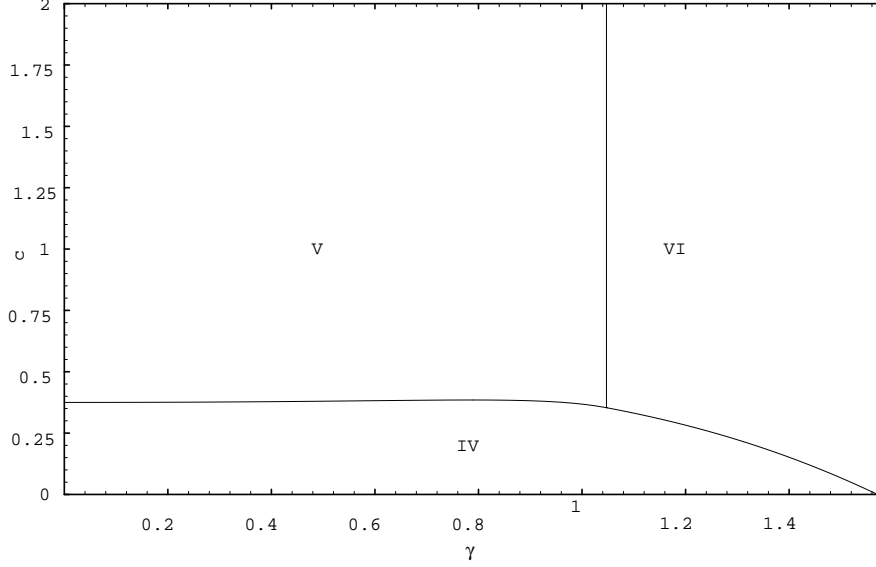
## 5. The new region II

Next we deal with the region specified by equations (4.8) and (4.10). The dressed energies are given by (4.6). The dressed momenta can be easily found noticing

$$\frac{dp(\lambda)}{d\lambda} = -\frac{\epsilon(\lambda)}{2} \Big|_{\bar{c}=\tilde{c}=1}. \quad (5.1)$$

Therefore from (4.6) the dispersion relation

$$\epsilon_{1-} = \frac{2\pi\tilde{c}}{\pi - 2\gamma} \frac{\sin 2p_{1-}}{2} \quad (5.2)$$



**Figure 3.** Phase diagram for  $c = \tilde{c}/|\tilde{c}| > 0$  over  $\gamma$ .

**Table 1.** Sectors appearing in the phase diagram for competing interactions. Upper indices indicate infinite and finite Fermi zones. In the latter case, the second index distinguishes, whether the filling starts at  $\lambda = 0$  or  $\lambda = \infty$ .

I	$(1, -)^\infty, (1, +)^{f,0}$
II	$(1, -)^\infty, (1, +)^\infty$
III	$(1, -)^\infty, (1, +)^{f,\infty}$
IV	$(1, -)^\infty$
V	$(1, -)^\infty, (2, +)^{f,0}$
VI	$(1, -)^{f,\infty}, (2, +)^\infty$

follows with the speed of sound

$$v_{1-} = -\frac{2\pi\tilde{c}}{\pi - 2\gamma} > 0. \quad (5.3)$$

The dispersion relation for the  $(1, +)$ -strings is given implicitly by (4.6) together with (5.1). The speed of sound then reads

$$v_{1+} = \frac{2\pi}{\gamma} \frac{\bar{c} + \tilde{c} \tan(\pi^2/(2\gamma))}{1 + \tan(\pi^2/(2\gamma))} \geq 0. \quad (5.4)$$

It vanishes on the sector border (4.10) for  $\pi/3 < \gamma \leq 2\pi/5$ .

Now it is natural to look for possible lines of conformal invariance which must have  $v_{1+} = v_{1-}$ , with the solution

$$\frac{\bar{c}}{|\tilde{c}|} = \frac{1}{\pi - 2\gamma} \left[ \gamma + (\pi - \gamma) \tan\left(\frac{\pi^2}{2\gamma}\right) \right]. \quad (5.5)$$

Analytical and numerical estimates show that there is always a solution fulfilling (4.8) and (4.10).

## 6. Conclusions

We have investigated the  $XXZ(\frac{1}{2}, 1)$  model in the region of anisotropy  $\pi/3 < \gamma < \pi/2$  by means of TBA. The integral equations describing the ground state change drastically when passing the point  $\gamma = \pi/3$ . While in the case of equal signs of the coupling constants this is of no influence on the ground state (what is already known from [2, 3]), in the case of competing interactions the picture changes. The most striking consequence is the existence of a new region with strings  $(1, +)$  and  $(1, -)$  having infinite Fermi zones in the sector  $\tilde{c} > 0, \tilde{c} < 0$ , which also contains a new line exhibiting conformal invariance. Outside this region a finite Fermi radius for the  $(1, +)$ -strings occurs. Here the model behaves similar to the one investigated in [6, 7].

In the sector  $\tilde{c} < 0, \tilde{c} > 0$  the strings  $(2, +)$  and  $(1, -)$  interchange their behaviours compared with  $\gamma \leq \pi/3$ , i.e. now the  $(1, -)$ -strings occur with finite Fermi zone, while the  $(2, +)$ -strings always have an infinite one.

In sectors 3 and 6, where the filling for the  $(1, +)$ - respectively  $(1, -)$ -strings starts at infinity, this causes the appearance of two different speeds of sound for each of them, to be calculated at  $\lambda = b$  and  $\lambda = \infty$ .

It seems worthwhile investigating these new regions in the sectors of competing interaction with respect to the excitations. We hope to return to this point in a future publication.

## Appendix

$$\begin{aligned}
 g(\omega, \alpha) &= 2\pi \frac{\cosh \omega\alpha/2}{\cosh \omega(\pi - \gamma)/2} \\
 K_1(\omega) &= \frac{\cosh \omega(\pi - 3\gamma)/2}{\cosh \omega\gamma/2} \\
 K_2(\omega) &= \frac{\cosh \omega(\pi - \gamma)/2}{2 \cosh^2 \omega\gamma/2} \\
 K_3(\omega) &= \frac{\sinh^2 \omega(\pi - 2\gamma)/2}{\cosh^2 \omega\gamma/2} \\
 K_4(\omega) &= \frac{1}{2 \cosh \omega(\pi - 3\gamma)/2} \\
 K_5(\omega) &= \frac{\cosh \omega\gamma/2}{2 \cosh \omega(\pi - \gamma)/2 \cosh \omega(\pi - 3\gamma)/2} \\
 K_6(\omega) &= \frac{2 \sinh^2 \omega(\pi - 2\gamma)/2}{\cosh \omega(\pi - 3\gamma)/2} \\
 s(\omega) &= \frac{1}{2 \cosh \omega(\pi - \gamma)/2}.
 \end{aligned}$$

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