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# A new integrable differential-difference system and its explicit solutions 

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#### Abstract

A new integrable differential-difference system is proposed. By the dependent variable transformation, the system is transformed into multilinear form. By introducing an auxiliary variable, we further transform it into the bilinear form. Its corresponding Bäcklund transformation is obtained. Furthermore, nonlinear superposition formulae are presented. As an application of the obtained results, soliton solutions and rational solutions to the system are derived.


## 1. Introduction

There has been considerable interest in searching for new integrable discrete systems and studying their properties. Many papers have been dedicated to the subject, and various approaches are currently available. Two of them are Hirota's method and the Bäcklund transformation [1-8]. In this paper, we will propose a new differential-difference system and then study it by using the Hirota method. By the dependent variable transformation, the system under consideration is transformed into multilinear equations. By introducing an auxiliary variable, we further decouple it into the bilinear form. The corresponding Bäcklund transformation is found and nonlinear superposition formulae are established. As a result, multisoliton solutions and rational solutions are derived.

It has been noted recently that the so-called Belov-Chaltikian lattice [9]

$$
\begin{align*}
& b_{t}(n)=b(n)(b(n+1)-b(n-1))-c(n)+c(n-1)  \tag{1}\\
& c_{t}(n)=c(n)(b(n+2)-b(n-1)) \tag{2}
\end{align*}
$$

and the Blaszak-Marciniak lattice [10]

$$
\begin{align*}
& a_{t}(n)=c(n+1)-c(n-1)  \tag{3}\\
& b_{t}(n)=a(n-1) c(n-1)-a(n) c(n)  \tag{4}\\
& c_{t}(n)=c(n)(b(n)-b(n+1)) \tag{5}
\end{align*}
$$

are transformed into the following bilinear forms [11, 12]:

$$
\begin{align*}
& \left(D_{t}^{2} \mathrm{e}^{\frac{1}{2} D_{n}}-D_{z} \mathrm{e}^{\frac{1}{2} D_{n}}\right) f(n) \cdot f(n)=0  \tag{6}\\
& \left(D_{z} \mathrm{e}^{D_{n}}-D_{t}^{2} \mathrm{e}^{D_{n}}+2 \mathrm{e}^{2 D_{n}}-2 \mathrm{e}^{D_{n}}\right) f(n) \cdot f(n)=0 \tag{7}
\end{align*}
$$

and

$$
\begin{align*}
& \left(D_{t}^{2}-2 D_{z} \mathrm{e}^{D_{n}}\right) f(n) \cdot f(n)=0  \tag{8}\\
& \left(D_{z} D_{t}-4 \sinh ^{2}\left(\frac{1}{2} D_{n}\right)\right) f(n) \cdot f(n)=0 \tag{9}
\end{align*}
$$

respectively, where $z$ is an auxiliary variable and the bilinear operators are defined as follows [2-6]:

$$
\begin{aligned}
& \left.D_{z}^{m} D_{t}^{k} a \cdot b \equiv\left(\frac{\partial}{\partial z}-\frac{\partial}{\partial z^{\prime}}\right)^{m}\left(\frac{\partial}{\partial t}-\frac{\partial}{\partial t^{\prime}}\right)^{k} a(z, t) b\left(z^{\prime}, t^{\prime}\right)\right|_{z^{\prime}=z, t^{\prime}=t} \\
& \left.\exp \left(\delta D_{n}\right) a(n) \cdot b(n) \equiv \exp \left[\delta\left(\frac{\partial}{\partial n}-\frac{\partial}{\partial n^{\prime}}\right)\right] a(n) b\left(n^{\prime}\right)\right|_{n^{\prime}=n}=a(n+\delta) b(n-\delta)
\end{aligned}
$$

On the other hand, in [13], a new and relatively simple procedure for finding new integrable differential-difference equations was reported. By combining these two concepts, it is natural to search for new integrable systems such that the systems have bilinear forms of the type (6), (7) and (8), (9) and the corresponding bilinear Bäcklund transformations could be found. With such a motivation in mind, and after some tests and guesswork, we now propose the following new system:

$$
\begin{align*}
& a_{t}(n)=\frac{c(n+1)}{c(n)}-\frac{c(n)}{c(n-1)}  \tag{10}\\
& b_{t}(n+1)+b_{t}(n)=a(n)-(b(n+1)-b(n))^{2}  \tag{11}\\
& c_{t}(n)=c(n)(b(n+1)-b(n)) . \tag{12}
\end{align*}
$$

Set $b(n)=(\ln f(n))_{t}$. Then from (12) we obtain

$$
(\ln c(n))_{t}=\left(\ln \frac{f(n+1)}{f(n)}\right)_{t}
$$

i.e.

$$
c(n)=c_{0}(n) \frac{f(n+1)}{f(n)}
$$

where $c_{0}(n)$ is some function of $n$. In the following, we just consider the case $c_{0}(n)=$ constant, which corresponds to the soliton case. In this case, we may choose $c_{0}=1$ without loss of generality. Besides, from (11) we have

$$
a(n)=\frac{D_{t}^{2} f(n+1) \cdot f(n)}{f(n+1) f(n)}
$$

Thus, by the dependent variable transformation
$a(n)=\frac{D_{t}^{2} f(n+1) \cdot f(n)}{f(n+1) f(n)} \quad b(n)=(\ln f(n))_{t} \quad c(n)=\frac{f(n+1)}{f(n)}$
equation (10) can be transformed into the following form:

$$
\begin{equation*}
\left[\frac{D_{t}^{2} f(n+1) \cdot f(n)}{f(n+1) f(n)}\right]_{t}=\frac{f(n+2) f(n)}{f^{2}(n+1)}-\frac{f(n+1) f(n-1)}{f^{2}(n)} \tag{14}
\end{equation*}
$$

or, equivalently,
$D_{t}\left(D_{t}^{2} \mathrm{e}^{\frac{1}{2} D_{n}} f(n) \cdot f(n)\right) \cdot\left(\mathrm{e}^{\frac{1}{2} D_{n}} f(n) \cdot f(n)\right)=2 \sinh \left(\frac{1}{2} D_{n}\right)\left[\mathrm{e}^{D_{n}} f(n) \cdot f(n)\right] \cdot f^{2}(n)$.

By introducing an auxiliary variable $z$ and using (A1), we can decouple (15) into the following bilinear form:

$$
\begin{align*}
& \left(D_{z} \mathrm{e}^{\frac{1}{2} D_{n}}-D_{t}^{2} \mathrm{e}^{\frac{1}{2} D_{n}}\right) f(n) \cdot f(n)=0  \tag{16}\\
& \left(D_{z} D_{t}-4 \sinh ^{2}\left(\frac{1}{2} D_{n}\right)\right) f(n) \cdot f(n)=0 . \tag{17}
\end{align*}
$$

Reversing the process, we know that if $f(n)$ is a solution of (16) and (17), then $a(n), b(n)$ and $c(n)$, given by (13), satisfy (10)-(12). It is remarked that, in the continuous case, the technique to decouple multilinear equations into bilinear ones by introducing auxiliary variables was first proposed by Hirota and Satsuma. They applied it to the Lax fifth-order KdV equation and a model equation for shallow water waves [2, 14].

The system (10)-(12) can be rewritten as the following equation for a single field:

$$
\begin{gather*}
u_{t t t}(n+1)+u_{t t t}(n)+2\left(u_{t}(n+1)-u_{t}(n)\right)\left(u_{t t}(n+1)-u_{t t}(n)\right) \\
=\mathrm{e}^{u(n+2)-2 u(n+1)+u(n)}-\mathrm{e}^{u(n+1)-2 u(n)+u(n-1)} \tag{18}
\end{gather*}
$$

where $b(n)=u_{t}(n)$. It is noted that the highest derivative with respect to $t$ appearing in (18) contains two terms taking values at $n$ and $n+1$, respectively. Therefore, equation (18) may be viewed as a nonlocal differential-difference equation in this sense. However, to our knowledge, most integrable differential-difference systems appearing in the literature such as the Toda lattice or the Volterra equation are local. Therefore, it is far from obvious how to find such a transformation if there exists some transformation (point transformation, Miuralike transformation, etc) which relates equation (18) or the system (10)-(12) to some other one which has already appeared in the literature. On the other hand, from the viewpoint of bilinear formalism, to our knowledge it is the first time that the bilinear equations (16) and (17) have been considered simultaneously with $z$ being an auxiliary variable, although (17) is just the bilinear form of the two-dimensional Toda lattice and can be obtained from the HirotaMiwa equation $\left[Z_{1} \exp \left(D_{1}\right)+Z_{2} \exp \left(D_{2}\right)+Z_{3} \exp \left(D_{3}\right)\right] f \cdot f=0\left(Z_{i}\right.$ are arbitrary constants, $\left.f=f\left(x_{1}, x_{2}, x_{3}\right), D_{i}=D_{x_{i}}\right)$ by reduction [15-17]. Based on these explanations, it would be reasonable to view (10)-(12) or (18) as a new system or equation.

The paper is organized as follows. In section 2 we give a Bäcklund transformation for equations (16) and (17) and then a nonlinear superposition formula. Soliton solutions of equations (16) and (17) are then found using this formula. In section 3, another nonlinear superposition formula is established. As an application of the obtained result, a sequence of polynomial solutions of (16) and (17) or rational solutions of (10)-(12) are derived. Finally, conclusions and discussions are given in section 4. The appendix lists some bilinear operator identities used in this paper.

## 2. A Bäcklund transformation, nonlinear superposition formula and soliton solutions

In this section, we shall give a Bäcklund transformation and nonlinear superposition formula for (16) and (17). First, by application of the exchange formalism, one can construct the following Bäcklund transformation for equations (16) and (17):

$$
\begin{align*}
& \left(D_{t}+\lambda^{-1} \mathrm{e}^{-D_{n}}+\mu\right) f(n) \cdot g(n)=0  \tag{19}\\
& \left(D_{z} \mathrm{e}^{-\frac{1}{2} D_{n}}-\lambda \mathrm{e}^{\frac{1}{2} D_{n}}+\gamma \mathrm{e}^{-\frac{1}{2} D_{n}}\right) f(n) \cdot g(n)=0  \tag{20}\\
& \left(D_{z}-\lambda^{-1} D_{t} \mathrm{e}^{-D_{n}}-\lambda^{-1} \mu \mathrm{e}^{-D_{n}}-\omega\right) f(n) \cdot g(n)=0 \tag{21}
\end{align*}
$$

where $\lambda, \mu, \gamma$ and $\omega$ are arbitrary constants. Furthermore, we can show the following result.
Proposition. Let $f_{0}$ be a solution of equations (16) and (17) and suppose that $f_{i}(i=1,2)$ are solutions of (16) and (17) which are related to $f_{0}$ under the BT equations (19)-(21) with
parameters $\left(\lambda_{i}, \mu_{i}, \gamma_{i}, \omega_{i}\right)$, i.e. $f_{0} \xrightarrow{\left(\lambda_{i}, \mu_{i}, \gamma_{i}, \omega_{i}\right)} f_{i}(i=1,2), \lambda_{1} \lambda_{2} \neq 0, f_{j} \neq 0(j=0,1,2)$. Then $f_{12}$, defined by
$\exp \left(-\frac{1}{2} D_{n}\right) f_{0} \cdot f_{12}=c\left[\lambda_{1} \exp \left(-\frac{1}{2} D_{n}\right)-\lambda_{2} \exp \left(\frac{1}{2} D_{n}\right)\right] f_{1} \cdot f_{2} \quad(c$ is a nonzero constant $)$
is a new solution which is related to $f_{1}$ and $f_{2}$ under the $B T$ (19)-(21) with parameters $\left(\lambda_{2}, \mu_{2}, \gamma_{2}, \omega_{2}\right)$ and $\left(\lambda_{1}, \mu_{1}, \gamma_{1}, \omega_{1}\right)$, respectively.

As an application of the result, we can construct soliton solutions of (16) and (17). Choose, for example, $f_{0}=1$ and $c=1 /\left(\lambda_{1}-\lambda_{2}\right)$. It is easily verified that

where

$$
f_{12}=1+\frac{\lambda_{1} \mathrm{e}^{-p_{1}}-\lambda_{2}}{\lambda_{1}-\lambda_{2}} \mathrm{e}^{\eta_{1}}+\frac{\lambda_{1}-\lambda_{2} \mathrm{e}^{-p_{2}}}{\lambda_{1}-\lambda_{2}} \mathrm{e}^{\eta_{2}}+\frac{\lambda_{1} \mathrm{e}^{-p_{1}}-\lambda_{2} \mathrm{e}^{-p_{2}}}{\lambda_{1}-\lambda_{2}} \mathrm{e}^{\eta_{1}+\eta_{2}}
$$

with

$$
\eta_{i}=p_{i} n+q_{i} z+r_{i} t+\eta_{i}^{0} \quad q_{i}=\lambda_{i}\left(1-\mathrm{e}^{-p_{i}}\right) \quad r_{i}=\lambda_{i}^{-1}\left(\mathrm{e}^{p_{i}}-1\right)
$$

and

$$
\lambda_{i}=\left[\mathrm{e}^{p_{i}}\left(1+\mathrm{e}^{p_{i}}\right)\right]^{1 / 3} \quad \mu_{i}=-\lambda_{i}^{-1} \quad \gamma_{i}=\lambda_{i} \quad \omega_{i}=\lambda_{i}^{-2}
$$

In general, along this line, we can obtain multisoliton solutions for (16) and (17) step by step. By the dependent variable transformation (13), we can obtain the corresponding soliton solutions of (10)-(12). For example,

$$
a(n)=\frac{\left(\mathrm{e}^{p}+1\right) r^{2} \mathrm{e}^{\eta}}{\left(1+\mathrm{e}^{\eta}\right)\left(1+\mathrm{e}^{p} \mathrm{e}^{\eta}\right)} \quad b(n)=\frac{r \mathrm{e}^{\eta}}{1+\mathrm{e}^{\eta}} \quad c(n)=\frac{1+\mathrm{e}^{p} \mathrm{e}^{\eta}}{1+\mathrm{e}^{\eta}}
$$

is the one-soliton solution of (10)-(12), where $\eta=p n+q z+r t+\eta^{0}, q=\lambda\left(1-\mathrm{e}^{-p}\right), r=$ $\lambda^{-1}\left(\mathrm{e}^{p}-1\right), \lambda=\left[\mathrm{e}^{p}\left(1+\mathrm{e}^{p}\right)\right]^{1 / 3}$ with $\eta^{0}$ being an arbitrary constant. Since equations (10)-(12) do not involve the extra variable $z$, we may view $z$ as an arbitrary parameter and $q z$ appearing in $\eta$ can be absorbed by $\eta^{0}$.

Set $\psi_{n}=f(n) / g(n), u(n)=\ln g(n)$. Then, from the bilinear BT (19)-(21) and by some calculations, we can obtain the following Lax pair for (18):

$$
\begin{gather*}
\psi_{n+1}+\lambda^{-1}\left[u_{t t}(n+1)+u_{t t}(n)+\left(u_{t}(n+1)-u_{t}(n)\right)^{2}-\gamma-\omega\right] \psi_{n} \\
=\lambda^{-2}\left(u_{t}(n-1)-u_{t}(n+1)\right) \mathrm{e}^{u(n+1)-2 u(n)+u(n-1)} \psi_{n-1} \\
-\lambda^{-3} \mathrm{e}^{u(n+1)-u(n)-u(n-1)+u(n-2)} \psi_{n-2}  \tag{23}\\
\psi_{n t}+\lambda^{-1} \mathrm{e}^{u(n+1)-2 u(n)+u(n-1)} \psi_{n-1}+\mu \psi_{n}=0 . \tag{24}
\end{gather*}
$$

## 3. Nonlinear superposition formula and rational solutions

We now turn to consider rational solutions of (10)-(12) or polynomial solutions of (16) and (17). In order to obtain polynomial solutions of (16) and (17), it is enough to consider the
special Bäcklund parameters of (19)-(21), i.e. $\lambda=2^{1 / 3}, \mu=-2^{-1 / 3}, \gamma=2^{1 / 3}$ and $\omega=2^{-2 / 3}$. In this case, equations (19)-(21) become

$$
\begin{align*}
& \left(D_{t}+2^{-1 / 3} \mathrm{e}^{-D_{n}}-2^{-1 / 3}\right) f(n) \cdot g(n)=0  \tag{25}\\
& \left(D_{z} \mathrm{e}^{-D_{n} / 2}-2^{1 / 3} \mathrm{e}^{D_{n} / 2}+2^{1 / 3} \mathrm{e}^{-D_{n} / 2}\right) f(n) \cdot g(n)=0  \tag{26}\\
& \left(D_{z}-2^{-1 / 3} D_{t} \mathrm{e}^{-D_{n}}+2^{-2 / 3} \mathrm{e}^{-D_{n}}-2^{-2 / 3}\right) f(n) \cdot g(n)=0 . \tag{27}
\end{align*}
$$

We shall represent the transformation (25)-(27) symbolically by $f(n) \longrightarrow g(n)$. Now let $f_{0}(n), f_{1}(n)$ and $f_{12}(n)$ be three solutions of (16) and (17) and $f_{0}(n) \longrightarrow f_{1}(n) \longrightarrow f_{12}(n)$, with $f_{0}(n), f_{1}(n), f_{12}(n) \neq 0$. Suppose that $f_{2}(n)$ is given by
$\exp \left(-\frac{1}{2} D_{n}\right) f_{0} \cdot f_{12}=c \sinh \left(\frac{1}{2} D_{n}\right) f_{1} \cdot f_{2} \quad(c$ is a nonzero constant $)$.
From these assumptions and by use of (A2)-(A6) and (28), we have
$\sinh \left(\frac{1}{2} D_{n}\right)\left[c D_{t} f_{1}(n) \cdot f_{2}(n)-2^{2 / 3} \mathrm{e}^{-D_{n}} f_{0}(n) \cdot f_{12}(n)\right] \cdot f_{1}^{2}(n)=0$
$\sinh \left(\frac{1}{2} D_{n}\right)\left[c D_{z} f_{1}(n) \cdot f_{2}(n)-2^{4 / 3} f_{0}(n) f_{12}(n)\right] \cdot f_{1}^{2}(n)=0$
$\sinh \left(\frac{1}{2} D_{n}\right)\left[c D_{z} f_{1}(n) \cdot f_{2}(n)+2^{2 / 3} D_{t} \mathrm{e}^{-D_{n}} f_{0}(n) \cdot f_{12}(n)\right.$

$$
\begin{equation*}
\left.-2^{4 / 3} \mathrm{e}^{-D_{n}} f_{0}(n) \cdot f_{12}(n)\right] \cdot f_{1}^{2}(n)=0 \tag{31}
\end{equation*}
$$

i.e.
$c D_{t} f_{1}(n) \cdot f_{2}(n)-2^{2 / 3} \mathrm{e}^{-D_{n}} f_{0}(n) \cdot f_{12}(n)=c_{1}(t, z) f_{1}^{2}(n)$
$c D_{z} f_{1}(n) \cdot f_{2}(n)-2^{4 / 3} f_{0}(n) f_{12}(n)=c_{2}(t, z) f_{1}^{2}(n)$
$c D_{z} f_{1}(n) \cdot f_{2}(n)+2^{2 / 3} D_{t} \mathrm{e}^{-D_{n}} f_{0}(n) \cdot f_{12}(n)-2^{4 / 3} \mathrm{e}^{-D_{n}} f_{0}(n) \cdot f_{12}(n)=c_{3}(t, z) f_{1}^{2}(n)$
where $c_{i}(t, z)(i=1,2,3)$ are suitable functions of $t$ and $z$. Furthermore, we assume that $f_{2}(n)$ determined by (28) is chosen such that $c_{i}(t, z)=0, i=1,2,3$. In this case, we have

$$
\begin{align*}
& c D_{t} f_{1}(n) \cdot f_{2}(n)-2^{2 / 3} \mathrm{e}^{-D_{n}} f_{0}(n) \cdot f_{12}(n)=0  \tag{35}\\
& c D_{z} f_{1}(n) \cdot f_{2}(n)-2^{4 / 3} f_{0}(n) f_{12}(n)=0  \tag{36}\\
& c D_{z} f_{1}(n) \cdot f_{2}(n)+2^{2 / 3} D_{t} \mathrm{e}^{-D_{n}} f_{0}(n) \cdot f_{12}(n)-2^{4 / 3} \mathrm{e}^{-D_{n}} f_{0}(n) \cdot f_{12}(n)=0 . \tag{37}
\end{align*}
$$

By use of (28), (35)-(37) and (A7)-(A9), we can deduce that

$$
\begin{align*}
& \left(D_{t}+2^{-1 / 3} \mathrm{e}^{-D_{n}}-2^{-1 / 3}\right) f_{0}(n) \cdot f_{2}(n)=0  \tag{38}\\
& \left(D_{z} \mathrm{e}^{-\frac{1}{2} D_{n}}-2^{1 / 3} \mathrm{e}^{\frac{1}{2} D_{n}}+2^{1 / 3} \mathrm{e}^{-\frac{1}{2} D_{n}}\right) f_{0}(n) \cdot f_{2}(n)=0  \tag{39}\\
& \left(D_{z}-2^{-1 / 3} D_{t} \mathrm{e}^{-D_{n}}+2^{-2 / 3} \mathrm{e}^{-D_{n}}-2^{-2 / 3}\right) f_{0}(n) \cdot f_{2}(n)=0 . \tag{40}
\end{align*}
$$

Therefore, $f_{2}(n)$ is a new solution and $f_{0}(n) \longrightarrow f_{2}(n)$. Similarly, we can show that $f_{2}(n) \longrightarrow f_{12}(n)$.

To summarize, we can seek particular solutions of (16) and (17) via the following steps. First, choose a given solution $f_{1}(n)$ of (16) and (17). Secondly, from the Bäcklund transformation (25)-(27) we find $f_{0}(n)$ and $f_{12}(n)$ such that $f_{0}(n) \longrightarrow f_{1}(n) \longrightarrow f_{12}(n)$ and, furthermore, obtain a particular solution $\tilde{f}_{2}(n)$ from (28). Then a general solution of (28) is $f_{2}(n)=\tilde{f}_{2}(n)+k(t, z) f_{1}(n)$, where $k(t, z)$ is an arbitrary function of $t, z$. Finally, we substitute $f_{2}(n)$ into (32)-(34). If $k(t, z)$ can be determined such that $c_{i}(t, z)=0, i=1,2,3$, the corresponding $f_{2}(n)$ is a new solution of (16) and (17). As an application of this result, we can obtain a sequence of polynomial solutions of (16) and (17). For example, if we choose $f_{0}(n)=n+2^{1 / 3} z+2^{-1 / 3} t+\alpha+\frac{4}{3}, f_{1}(n)=1$ and $f_{12}(n)=n+2^{1 / 3} z+2^{-1 / 3} t+\alpha$, where $\alpha$ is a constant, then it is easily verified that $n+2^{1 / 3} z+2^{-1 / 3} t+\alpha+\frac{4}{3}, n+2^{1 / 3} z+2^{-1 / 3} t+\alpha$ and 1
are solutions of (16) and (17) and $n+2^{1 / 3} z+2^{-1 / 3} t+\alpha+\frac{4}{3} \longrightarrow 1 \longrightarrow n+2^{1 / 3} z+2^{-1 / 3} t+\alpha$. Then we seek a solution in the form

$$
\begin{gathered}
f_{2}(n)=\left(n+2^{1 / 3} z+2^{-1 / 3} t\right)^{3}+A_{1}(t, z)\left(n+2^{1 / 3} z+2^{-1 / 3} t\right)^{2} \\
+A_{2}(t, z)\left(n+2^{1 / 3} z+2^{-1 / 3} t\right)+A_{3}(t, z)
\end{gathered}
$$

such that (28), (35), (36) and (37) hold. A direct calculation shows that
$c=-\frac{2}{3} \quad A_{1}=3 \alpha+2 \quad A_{2}=3 \alpha^{2}+4 \alpha+1 \quad A_{3}=-2^{1 / 3} z+c_{0}$
where $c_{0}$ is an arbitrary constant. In this way, we may deduce a sequence of polynomial solutions of (16) and (17) and thus the rational solutions of (10)-(12).

## 4. Conclusion and discussion

In this paper, a new integrable differential-difference system is proposed. By the dependent variable transformation, the system is transformed into multilinear form. By introducing an auxiliary variable, we further transform it into bilinear form. A corresponding Bäcklund transformation for it is obtained. Furthermore, nonlinear superposition formulae are presented. As an application of the obtained results, soliton solutions and rational solutions to the system are derived. Besides, it would be of interest to study the integrable continuous limit and integrable full discretization for the system (10)-(12) or equation (18). Moreover, we can further consider the following extended form of (16) and (17):

$$
\begin{align*}
& \left(D_{z} \mathrm{e}^{\frac{1}{2} D_{n}}-D_{t}^{2} \mathrm{e}^{\frac{1}{2} D_{n}}+\frac{1}{2} \alpha^{2}\left(\mathrm{e}^{\frac{3}{2} D_{n}}-\mathrm{e}^{\frac{1}{2} D_{n}}\right)\right) f(n) \cdot f(n)=0  \tag{41}\\
& \left(D_{z} D_{t}+\alpha D_{z} \sinh \left(D_{n}\right)-4 \sinh ^{2}\left(\frac{1}{2} D_{n}\right)\right) f(n) \cdot f(n)=0 \tag{42}
\end{align*}
$$

where $\alpha$ is a constant. The following BT for (41) and (42) is found:

$$
\begin{align*}
& \left(D_{t}+\lambda^{-1} \mathrm{e}^{-D_{n}}-\frac{1}{4} \alpha^{2} \lambda \mathrm{e}^{D_{n}}+\mu\right) f(n) \cdot g(n)=0  \tag{43}\\
& \left(D_{z} \mathrm{e}^{-\frac{1}{2} D_{n}}+\frac{1}{2} \alpha \lambda D_{z} \mathrm{e}^{\frac{1}{2} D_{n}}-\left(\lambda-\frac{1}{2} \alpha \lambda \gamma\right) \mathrm{e}^{\frac{1}{2} D_{n}}+\gamma \mathrm{e}^{-\frac{1}{2} D_{n}}\right) f(n) \cdot g(n)=0  \tag{44}\\
& \left(D_{z}-\lambda^{-1} D_{t} \mathrm{e}^{-D_{n}}-\frac{1}{4} \alpha^{2} \lambda D_{t} \mathrm{e}^{D_{n}}-\lambda^{-1} \mu \mathrm{e}^{-D_{n}}-\frac{1}{4} \alpha^{2} \lambda \mu \mathrm{e}^{D_{n}}-\omega\right) f(n) \cdot g(n)=0 \tag{45}
\end{align*}
$$

where $\lambda, \mu, \gamma$ and $\omega$ are arbitrary constants.

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## Appendix. Hirota bilinear operator identities

The following bilinear operator identities hold for arbitrary functions $a, b, c$ and $d$ :

$$
\begin{align*}
& D_{t}\left[D_{z} \mathrm{e}^{\frac{1}{2} D_{n}} a(n) \cdot a(n)\right] \cdot\left[\mathrm{e}^{\frac{1}{2} D_{n}} a(n) \cdot a(n)\right]=\sinh \left(\frac{1}{2} D_{n}\right)\left[D_{t} D_{z} a(n) \cdot a(n)\right] \cdot a^{2}(n)  \tag{A1}\\
& \sinh \left(\frac{1}{2} D_{n}\right)\left(D_{t} a \cdot b\right) \cdot a^{2}=D_{t}\left[\sinh \left(\frac{1}{2} D_{n}\right) a \cdot b\right] \cdot\left[\mathrm{e}^{\frac{1}{2} D_{n}} a \cdot a\right]  \tag{A2}\\
& D_{t}\left[\mathrm{e}^{-\frac{1}{2} D_{n}} a \cdot b\right] \cdot\left[\mathrm{e}^{\frac{1}{2} D_{n}} c \cdot c\right]=\mathrm{e}^{-\frac{1}{2} D_{n}}\left[\left(D_{t} a \cdot c\right) \cdot c b-a c \cdot\left(D_{t} c \cdot b\right)\right]  \tag{A3}\\
& 2 \sinh \left(\frac{1}{2} D_{n}\right)\left[\mathrm{e}^{-D_{n}} a \cdot b\right] \cdot c^{2}=\mathrm{e}^{-\frac{1}{2} D_{n}}\left[a c \cdot\left(\mathrm{e}^{-D_{n}} c \cdot b\right)-\left(\mathrm{e}^{-D_{n}} a \cdot c\right) \cdot c b\right]  \tag{A4}\\
& 2 \sinh \left(\frac{1}{2} D_{n}\right) a b \cdot c^{2}=\left(\mathrm{e}^{\frac{1}{2} D_{n}} a \cdot c\right)\left(\mathrm{e}^{-\frac{1}{2} D_{n}} c \cdot b\right)-\left(\mathrm{e}^{-\frac{1}{2} D_{n}} a \cdot c\right)\left(\mathrm{e}^{\frac{1}{2} D_{n}} c \cdot b\right) \tag{A5}
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& 2 \sinh \left(\frac{1}{2} D_{n}\right)\left[D_{t} \mathrm{e}^{-D_{n}} a \cdot b\right] \cdot c^{2}=\mathrm{e}^{-\frac{1}{2} D_{n}}\left[\left(D_{t} a \cdot c\right) \cdot\left(\mathrm{e}^{-D_{n}} c \cdot b\right)+a c \cdot\left(D_{t} \mathrm{e}^{-D_{n}} c \cdot b\right)\right] \\
& -\mathrm{e}^{-\frac{1}{2} D_{n}}\left[\left(D_{t} \mathrm{e}^{-D_{n}} a \cdot c\right) \cdot c b+\left(\mathrm{e}^{-D_{n}} a \cdot c\right) \cdot\left(D_{t} c \cdot b\right)\right]  \tag{A6}\\
& \left(D_{t} a \cdot b\right) c-\left(D_{t} a \cdot c\right) b=-a D_{t} b \cdot c  \tag{A7}\\
& {\left[D_{z} \mathrm{e}^{-\frac{1}{2} D_{n}} a \cdot b\right]\left[\mathrm{e}^{-\frac{1}{2} D_{n}} c \cdot d\right]-\left[\mathrm{e}^{-\frac{1}{2} D_{n}} a \cdot b\right]\left[D_{z} \mathrm{e}^{-\frac{1}{2} D_{n}} c \cdot d\right]} \\
& =D_{z}\left[\mathrm{e}^{-\frac{1}{2} D_{n}} a \cdot d\right] \cdot\left[\mathrm{e}^{-\frac{1}{2} D_{n}} c \cdot b\right]  \tag{A8}\\
& {\left[\mathrm{e}^{\delta D_{n}} a \cdot b\right]\left[\mathrm{e}^{-\delta D_{n}} c \cdot d\right]=\mathrm{e}^{\delta D_{n}} a d \cdot c b .} \tag{A9}
\end{align*}
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