

# Dilogarithm identities and cluster algebras

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# Rogers dilogarithm

Rogers dilogarithm function  $L(x)$

$$L(x) = -\frac{1}{2} \int_0^x \left\{ \frac{\log(1-y)}{y} + \frac{\log y}{1-y} \right\} dy \quad (0 \leq x \leq 1).$$

Basic properties of  $L(x)$

$$L(0) = 0, \quad L(1) = \zeta(2) = \frac{\pi^2}{6},$$

$$L(x) + L(1-x) = \frac{\pi^2}{6} \quad (\text{Euler}),$$

$$L(x) + L(y) + L(1-xy) + L\left(\frac{1-x}{1-xy}\right) + L\left(\frac{1-y}{1-xy}\right) = \frac{\pi^2}{2} \quad (\text{Abel, 5-term relation}).$$

Only few special values are known, e.g.,

$$\frac{6}{\pi^2} L\left(\frac{1}{2}\right) = \frac{1}{2}, \quad \frac{6}{\pi^2} L\left(\frac{-\sqrt{5}+3}{2}\right) = \frac{2}{5}, \quad \frac{6}{\pi^2} L\left(\frac{\sqrt{5}-1}{2}\right) = \frac{3}{5}.$$

# Dilogarithm identities in conformal field theories

$X$ : any **simply laced** Dynkin diagram of finite type with index set  $I$

$\ell \geq 2$ : any integer

**constant Y-system**:  $\{Y_m^{(a)} \mid a \in I; 1 \leq m \leq \ell - 1\}$ : a family of positive real numbers

$$(Y_m^{(a)})^2 = \frac{\prod_{b:b \sim a} (1 + Y_m^{(b)})}{(1 + Y_{m-1}^{(a)} - 1)(1 + Y_{m+1}^{(a)} - 1)}, \quad (\text{cY})$$

$b \sim a$ :  $b$  is adjacent to  $a$  in  $X$ ,  $Y_0^{(a)-1} = Y_\ell^{(a)-1} = 0$ .

There exists a unique positive real solution of (cY). [Nahm-Keegan 09]

**Conjecture 1 (Dilogarithm identities)** [Bazhanov, Kirillov, Reshetikhin, 86–90]

For the unique positive real solution  $\{Y_m^{(a)} \mid a \in I; 1 \leq m \leq \ell - 1\}$  of (cY),

$$\frac{6}{\pi^2} \sum_{a \in I} \sum_{m=1}^{\ell-1} L\left(\frac{Y_m^{(a)}}{1 + Y_m^{(a)}}\right) = \frac{\ell \dim \mathfrak{g}}{h + \ell} - r,$$

$h$ : Coxeter number of  $X$ ,  $\mathfrak{g}$ : simple Lie algebra of type  $X$ .

(asymptotics of entropy of spin chains/S-matrix models) = (central charge of CFT)

Proved for  $X = A_r$  [Kirillov 90].

Related to Rogers-Ramanujan-type identities, KR modules, hyperbolic 3-folds, etc.

Only partially proved in B.C. (=Before Cluster algebra [2000])

# Functional dilogarithm identities (1)

**Y-system:** [Zamolodchikov 91, Kuniba-Nakanishi 92, Ravanini-Tateo-Valleriani 93]

**( $X, X'$ ):** a pair of simply laced Dynkin diagrams of finite type.

$\{Y_{ii'}(u) \mid i \in I, i' \in I', u \in \mathbb{Z}\}$ : a family of variables

$$Y_{ii'}(u-1)Y_{ii'}(u+1) = \frac{\prod_{\substack{j:j \sim i}} (1 + Y_{ji'}(u))}{\prod_{\substack{j':j' \sim i'}} (1 + Y_{i'j}(u)^{-1})}, \quad (\text{Y})$$

where  $j \sim i$ :  $j$  is adjacent to  $i$  in  $X$ ,  $j' \sim i'$ :  $j'$  is adjacent to  $i'$  in  $X'$ .

## Conjecture 2 (Periodicity) [Ravanini-Tateo-Valleriani 93]

For  $\{Y_{ii'}(u) \mid i \in I, i' \in I', u \in \mathbb{Z}\}$  satisfying (Y),

$$Y_{ii'}(u + 2(h + h')) = Y_{ii'}(u), \quad h : \text{Coxeter number of } X.$$

## Conjecture 3 (Functional dilogarithm identities) [Gliozzi-Tateo 95]

For a family of positive real numbers  $\{Y_{aa'}(u) \mid a \in I, a' \in I', u \in \mathbb{Z}\}$  satisfying (Y),

$$\frac{6}{\pi^2} \sum_{(i,i') \in I \times I'} \sum_{\substack{0 \leq u < 2(h+h')}} L \left( \frac{Y_{ii'}(u)}{1 + Y_{ii'}(u)} \right) = 2hrr', \quad r = \text{rank } X.$$

Conjecture 3  $\implies$  Conjecture 1; set  $X' = A_{\ell-1}$ , take a *constant solution*  
 $Y_{ii'} = Y_{ii'}(u)$ .

## Functional dilogarithm identities (2)

### Conjecture 2 (Periodicity) [Ravanini-Tateo-Valleriani 93]

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### Conjecture 3 (Functional dilogarithm identities) [Gliozzi-Tateo 95]

$$\frac{6}{\pi^2} \sum_{(i,i') \in I \times I'} \sum_{0 \leq u < 2(h+h')} L \left( \frac{Y_{ii'}(u)}{1 + Y_{ii'}(u)} \right) = 2hrr', \quad r = \text{rank } X. \quad (\text{FDI})$$

- (1) [Frenkel-Szenes 95] proved Conjs. 2 & 3 for  $(X, X') = (A_r, A_1)$  ( $X = A_r$  and  $\ell = 2$  case) by explicit solution of  $(Y)$ .  
Conj. 3: (Constancy of LHS in (FDI)) + (evaluation at constant solution).
- (2) [Fomin-Zelevinsky 03] proved Conj. 2 for  $(X, X') = (\text{any}, A_1)$  by 'cluster algebra-like' formulation of  $(Y)$  + Coxeter transformation of  $X$ .
- (3) [Chapoton 05] proved Conj. 3 for  $(X, X') = (\text{any}, A_1)$  by (1) + (2).  
Conj. 3: (Constancy of LHS in (FDI)) + (evaluation in some limit).
- (4) [Fomin-Zelevinsky 07] fully integrated  $(Y)$  into the cluster algebra with coefficients.  
also introduced F-polynomials
- (5) [Keller 08] proved Conj. 2 for any  $X$  and  $X'$  by (4) + 'cluster category'.

### Theorem [N 09]

Conjecture 3 is true for any  $X$  and  $X'$ .

# Essence of proof

We want to show the identity.

$$\frac{6}{\pi^2} \sum_{(i,i') \in I \times I'} \sum_{0 \leq u < 2(h+h')} L \left( \frac{Y_{ii'}(u)}{1 + Y_{ii'}(u)} \right) = 2hrr', \quad r = \text{rank } X. \quad (\text{FDI})$$

**Step 1.** Formulate the Y-system ( $Y$ ) by cluster algebra with coefficients  $\mathcal{A}(Q, x, y)$ , where  $Q$  is some quiver. [Keller 08]

**Step 2.** Show the consistency condition of LHS of (FDI). [Frenkel-Szenes 95]

In  $\mathbb{Q}_{sf}(y) \wedge \mathbb{Q}_{sf}(y)$

$$\sum_{\substack{(i,i') \in I \times I' \\ 0 \leq u < 2(h+h')}} y_{ii'}(u) \wedge (1 + y_{ii'}(u)) = 0.$$

This is almost automatic by cluster algebra machinery (F-polynomials, etc.).

**Step 3. Evaluate** the LHS of (FDI) in the '0/ $\infty$  limit'. [Chapoton 05]

Recall that

$$\frac{6}{\pi^2} L \left( \frac{Y}{1+Y} \right) = \begin{cases} 0 & Y \rightarrow 0 \\ 1 & Y \rightarrow +\infty. \end{cases}$$

Suppose there is a limit s.t. each  $Y_{ii'}(u)$  goes either 0 or  $+\infty$ . Then,

(the LHS of (FDI)) = the total number of  $Y_{ii'}(u)$ 's going to  $+\infty$  for  $0 \leq u < 2(h+h')$ .

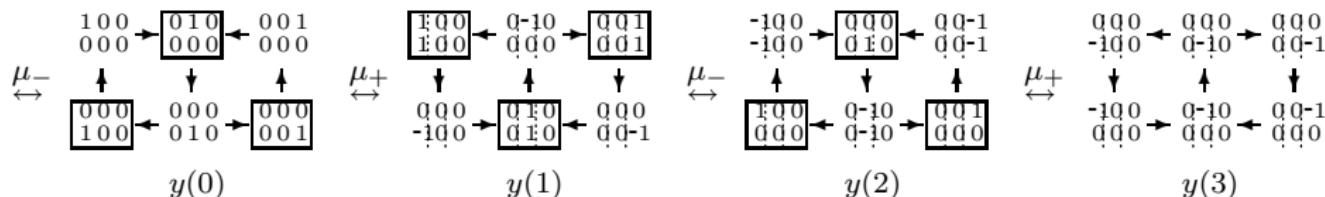
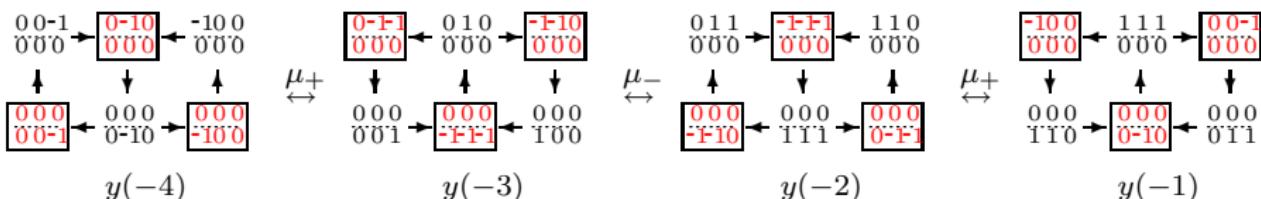
Such a limit can be systematically studied by the tropical Y-system.

# Example. Tropical Y-system for $X = A_3$ , $X' = A_2$

$$X = A_3, X' = A_2. h = 4, h' = 3, r = 3, r' = 2.$$

We want to show the identity.

$$\frac{6}{\pi^2} \sum_{(i,i') \in I \times I'} \sum_{\substack{0 \leq u < h+h' \\ i+i'+u: \text{even}}} L \left( \frac{Y_{ii'}(u)}{1 + Y_{ii'}(u)} \right) = \frac{1}{4} 2hrr' = \frac{1}{4} 2 \cdot 4 \cdot 3 \cdot 2 = 12. \quad (\text{FDI})$$



negative in  $-h \leq u < 0$ , positive in  $0 \leq u < h'$  ‘factorization property’

# T and Y-systems, dilogarithm identities and cluster algebras: nonsimply laced case

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- [IIKKN 10] R. Inoue, O. Iyama, B. Keller, A. Kuniba, T. Nakanishi,  
Periodicities of T and Y-systems, dilogarithm identities, and cluster algebras I: Type  $B_r$ ,  
[arXiv:1001.1880](https://arxiv.org/abs/1001.1880)
- Periodicities of T and Y-systems, dilogarithm identities, and cluster algebras I: Type  $C_r$ ,  
 $F_4$ , and  $G_2$ , [arXiv:1001.1881](https://arxiv.org/abs/1001.1881)

## Review: Simply laced case (1)

$X$ : simply laced Dynkin diagram  $A_r, D_r, E_6, E_7, E_8$  with index set  $I$

$\ell \geq 2$ : integer

**Y-system** [Zamolodchikov 91, Kuniba-Nakanishi 92, Ravanini-Tateo-Valleriani 93]

$\{Y_m^{(a)}(u) | \in I; m = 1, \dots, \ell - 1; u \in \mathbb{Z}\}$ : a family of variables

$$Y_m^{(a)}(u-1)Y_m^{(a)}(u+1) = \frac{\prod_{b:b \sim a} (1 + Y_m^{(b)}(u))}{(1 + Y_{m-1}^{(a)}(u)^{-1})(1 + Y_{m+1}^{(a)}(u)^{-1})}, \quad (\text{Y})$$

where  $b \sim a$ :  $b$  is adjacent to  $a$  in  $X$ ,  $Y_0^{(a)}(u)^{-1} = Y_\ell^{(a)}(u)^{-1} = 0$ .

They arise from the **thermodynamic Bethe ansatz (TBA) equation** of integrable lattice/S-matrix models.

**T-system** [Kuniba-Nakanishi-Suzuki 94]

$\{T_m^{(a)}(u) | \in I; m = 1, \dots, \ell - 1; u \in \mathbb{Z}\}$ : a family of variables

$$T_m^{(a)}(u-1)T_m^{(a)}(u+1) = \prod_{b:b \sim a} T_m^{(b)}(u) + T_{m-1}^{(a)}(u)T_{m+1}^{(a)}(u), \quad (\text{T})$$

where  $T_0^{(a)}(u) = T_\ell^{(a)}(u) = 1$ .

They are relations among the **transfer matrices** of integrable lattice models and also  **$q$ -characters** of Kirillov-Reshetikhin modules.

## Review: Simply laced case (2)

Theorem ([Keller 08], [Inoue-Iyama-Kuniba-Nakanishi-Suzuki 08])

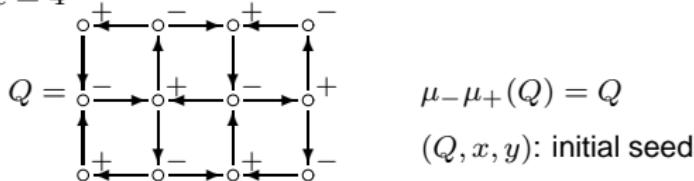
- (1)  $Y_m^{(a)}(u + 2(h + \ell)) = Y_m^{(a)}(u)$ . ( $h$ : the Coxeter number of  $X$ )
- (2)  $T_m^{(a)}(u + 2(h + \ell)) = T_m^{(a)}(u)$ .

The outline of proof. (after Keller)

**Step 1.** Formulation by cluster algebra with coefficient [Fomin-Zelevinsky 07]

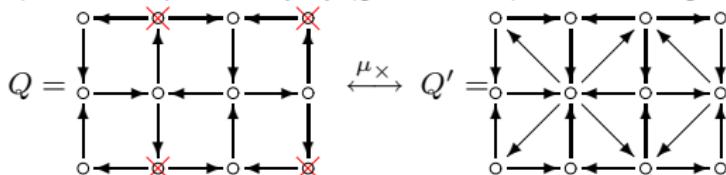
	cluster algebra	coefficient semifield
Y-system	coefficients $y$	universal semifield
T-system	cluster variables $x$	trivial semifield

Example.  $X = A_4$ ,  $\ell = 4$



The theorem is reformulated as  $(\mu - \mu_+)^{h+\ell}(Q, x, y) = (Q, x, y)$ .

**Step 2.** Show periodicity by (generalized) cluster category



categorification by  
cluster category  
 $\mathcal{C}(KX \otimes KA_{\ell-1})$  [Amiot 08]

factorization  $\mu_X \mu - \mu_+ \mu_X = \tau^{-1} \otimes \text{id} = \text{id} \otimes \tau'$  ( $\tau, \tau'$ : AR-translation),  $\tau^h(T) = T[2]$ .

# Nonsimply laced case (1)

Example:  $\mathbf{X} = \mathbf{B}_r$ ,  $I = \{1, \dots, r\}$

$$1 \quad 2 \quad \cdots \quad r-1 \quad r$$

$$t_1 = \cdots = t_{r-1} = 1, \quad t_r = 2.$$

$\ell \geq 2$ : an integer

## Y-system of type $B_r$ [Kuniba-Nakanishi 92]

$\{Y_m^{(a)}(u) \mid a \in I; m = 1, \dots, \textcolor{red}{t_a}\ell - 1; u \in \frac{1}{2}\mathbb{Z}\}$ : a family of variables

$$Y_m^{(a)}(u-1)Y_m^{(a)}(u+1) = \frac{(1 + Y_m^{(a-1)}(u))(1 + Y_m^{(a+1)}(u))}{(1 + Y_{m-1}^{(a)}(u)^{-1})(1 + Y_{m+1}^{(a)}(u)^{-1})} \quad (1 \leq a \leq r-2),$$

$$Y_m^{(r-1)}(u-1)Y_m^{(r-1)}(u+1) = \frac{(1 + Y_m^{(r-2)}(u))(1 + Y_{2m-1}^{(r)}(u))(1 + Y_{2m+1}^{(r)}(u))}{\times (1 + Y_{2m}^{(r)}(u - \frac{1}{2}))(1 + Y_{2m}^{(r)}(u + \frac{1}{2}))} \frac{(1 + Y_{m-1}^{(r-1)}(u)^{-1})(1 + Y_{m+1}^{(r-1)}(u)^{-1})}{},$$

$$Y_{2m}^{(r)}(u - \frac{1}{2}) Y_{2m}^{(r)}(u + \frac{1}{2}) = \frac{1 + Y_m^{(r-1)}(u)}{(1 + Y_{2m-1}^{(r)}(u)^{-1})(1 + Y_{2m+1}^{(r)}(u)^{-1})},$$

$$Y_{2m+1}^{(r)}(u - \frac{1}{2}) Y_{2m+1}^{(r)}(u + \frac{1}{2}) = \frac{1}{(1 + Y_{2m}^{(r)}(u)^{-1})(1 + Y_{2m+2}^{(r)}(u)^{-1})},$$

where  $Y_m^{(\mathbf{0})}(u) = Y_0^{(a)}(u)^{-1} = Y_{\textcolor{red}{t_a}\ell}^{(a)}(u)^{-1} = 0$ .

## Nonsimply laced case (2)

### T-system of type $B_r$ [Kuniba-Nakanishi-Suzuki 94]

$\{T_m^{(a)}(u) \mid a \in I; m = 1, \dots, \textcolor{red}{t}_a\ell - 1; u \in \frac{1}{2}\mathbb{Z}\}$ : a family of variables

$$T_m^{(a)}(u-1)T_m^{(a)}(u+1) = T_m^{(a-1)}(u)T_m^{(a+1)}(u) + T_{m-1}^{(a)}(u)T_{m+1}^{(a)}(u) \\ (1 \leq a \leq r-2),$$

$$T_m^{(r-1)}(u-1)T_m^{(r-1)}(u+1) = T_m^{(r-2)}(u)\textcolor{red}{T}_{2m}^{(r)}(u) + T_{m-1}^{(r-1)}(u)T_{m+1}^{(r-1)}(u),$$

$$\textcolor{red}{T}_{2m}^{(r)}(u - \frac{1}{2})T_{2m}^{(r)}(u + \frac{1}{2}) = \textcolor{red}{T}_m^{(r-1)}(u - \frac{1}{2})T_m^{(r-1)}(u + \frac{1}{2}) \\ + T_{2m-1}^{(r)}(u)T_{2m+1}^{(r)}(u),$$

$$T_{2m+1}^{(r)}(u - \frac{1}{2})T_{2m+1}^{(r)}(u + \frac{1}{2}) = \textcolor{red}{T}_m^{(r-1)}(u)T_{m+1}^{(r-1)}(u) + T_{2m}^{(r)}(u)T_{2m+2}^{(r)}(u),$$

where  $T_m^{(0)}(u) = T_0^{(a)}(u) = T_{\textcolor{red}{t}_a\ell}^{(a)}(u) = 1$ .

## Main results

Theorem 1 [IIKKN 10], conjectured by [Kuniba-Nakanishi-Suzuki 94]

- (1)  $Y_m^{(a)}(u + 2(h^\vee + \ell)) = Y_m^{(a)}(u)$ . ( $h^\vee$ : the dual Coxeter number of  $X$ )  
(2)  $T_m^{(a)}(u + 2(h^\vee + \ell)) = T_m^{(a)}(u)$ .

Theorem 2 [IIKKN 10], conjectured by [Kirillov 90], [Kuniba 93]

For the unique positive real solution  $\{Y_m^{(a)} \mid a \in I; 1 \leq m \leq t_a \ell - 1\}$  of the constant Y-system,

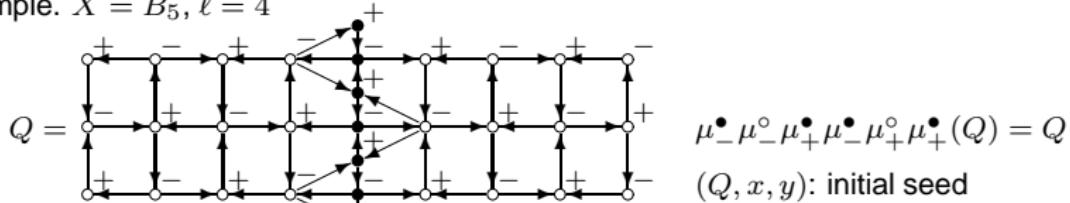
$$\frac{6}{\pi^2} \sum_{a \in I} \sum_{m=1}^{t_a \ell - 1} L\left(\frac{Y_m^{(a)}}{1 + Y_m^{(a)}}\right) = \frac{\ell \dim \mathfrak{g}}{h^\vee + \ell} - r,$$

$h^\vee$ : dual Coxeter number of  $X$ ,  $\mathfrak{g}$ : simple Lie algebra of type  $X$ .

Outline of the proof of Theorem 1.

Step 1. Formulation by cluster algebra with coefficient

Example.  $X = B_5$ ,  $\ell = 4$



The theorem is reformulated as  $(\mu_-^\bullet \mu_+^\circ \mu_-^\bullet \mu_+^\bullet \mu_-^\circ \mu_+^\bullet)^{h^\vee + \ell} (Q, x, y) = (Q, x, y)$ .

Step 2. Keller's method does not work.

We need a new idea. tropical Y-system + cluster category

# Illustration of main idea

