# Part 3 <br> Consistency-Around-the-Cube 

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The equation must be linear in all corner values, i.e. multi-linear. The most general form is:

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& +q_{1} x+q_{2} \widetilde{x}+q_{3} \widehat{x}+q_{4} \widehat{\widetilde{x}}+u \equiv Q\left(x, \widetilde{x}, \widehat{x}, \widehat{\widetilde{x}} ; p_{1}, p_{2}\right)=0 .
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Coefficients $k, l_{i}, s_{i}, q_{i}, u$ may depend on lattice parameters $p_{j}$.

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For the KdV-map one finds
$L_{00}=\gamma\left(\begin{array}{cc}x_{00} & \lambda^{2}-p^{2}-x_{00} x_{10} \\ 1 & -x_{10}\end{array}\right), M_{00}=\gamma^{\prime}\left(\begin{array}{cc}x_{00} & \lambda^{2}-q^{2}-x_{00} x_{01} \\ 1 & -x_{01}\end{array}\right)$
where $\gamma, \gamma^{\prime}$ are separation constants.

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Since $L, M$ are $2 \times 2$ matrices, this looks like 4 conditions. They yield the parameters $\gamma, \gamma^{\prime}$ and the equation on the bottom quadrilateral.

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The computations are equivalent to those for the Lax pair.

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## ABS results:

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(H3) $\quad p(x \tilde{x}+\hat{x} \hat{\tilde{x}})-q(x \hat{x}+\tilde{x} \hat{\tilde{x}})+\delta\left(p^{2}-q^{2}\right)=0$.
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\left(p^{2}-q^{2}\right)\left((\hat{x} \widetilde{x}+x \underset{\tilde{x}}{ })+\delta^{2} \frac{\left(1-p^{2}\right)\left(1-q^{2}\right)}{4 p q}\right)
$$

(Q4) $\quad \operatorname{sn}(\alpha)(x \widetilde{x}+\widehat{x} \widehat{\widetilde{x}})-\operatorname{sn}(\beta)(x \widehat{x}+\widetilde{x} \widehat{\widetilde{x}})-\operatorname{sn}(\alpha-\beta)(\widetilde{x} \widehat{x}+x \widehat{\widetilde{x}})+$

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Here: apply this to H1 (KdV). [JH, Zhang, J. Phys. A: Math.
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For convenience we reparametrize $(p, q) \rightarrow(a, b)$ by

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where

$$
\mathcal{N}(n, m)=\Lambda\left(\begin{array}{cc}
E & 0 \\
1 & F
\end{array}\right), \quad \mathcal{M}(n, m)=\Lambda^{\prime}\left(\begin{array}{cc}
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$$

Finally we obtain the 1SS for H 1 :

$$
u_{n, m}^{(1 S S)}=(a n+b m+\lambda)+k+\frac{-2 k \rho_{n, m}}{1+\rho_{n, m}}
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\end{aligned}
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For example

$$
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C_{n, m}^{2}(\varphi) & :=|\varphi(n, m, 0), \cdots, \varphi(n, m, N-2), \varphi(n, m, N)| \\
& \equiv|0,1, \cdots, N-2, N| \equiv|\widehat{N-2}, N| .
\end{aligned}
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The first four equations involve only points on the edges, while the last one is on the square.
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One can write such equations also as one component equations but on a $3 \times 3$ stencil.

The mBSQ and SBSQ are obtained from the above equation, by eliminating $x, z$ or $y, z$, respectively.

## BSQ search

Search for BSQ-type equations with CAC J.H.: J. Phys. A: Math. Theor. 44 (2011) 165204 (22pp)

Assume edge equations are linear separately in shifted and unshifted variables and do not depend on spectral parameters.
Then can classify edge equations into one of the following types

$$
\begin{align*}
\widetilde{x} z & =\widetilde{y}+x  \tag{A}\\
\widetilde{x} x & =\widetilde{y}+z  \tag{B}\\
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The choice of variables: $x$ appear as shifted an unshifted, $y$ only shifted and $z$ only unshifted.

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For the other cases B and C one gets similar equations.
The difficult problem is to solve ( $A^{*}$ ), etc.

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\end{equation*}
$$

and

$$
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Generalizations still under development:

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