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Developments in Integrability in Gauge/String Correspondence

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0. Introduction

AdS/CFT correspondence --- a gauge/string duality

(Maldacena '97, Gubser-Klebanov-Polyakov '97, Witten '97)

planar $\mathcal{N} = 4 U(N)$ super Yang-Mills

• gluon dynamics common to QCDs

free IIB superstrings on $AdS_5 \times S^5$

• superstrings in the simplest curved background

• $N \to \infty$ limit \Longrightarrow integrability

Strong/weak correspondence

 $\lambda \ll 1$ $\lambda \to \infty$ classical strings quantum strings super Yang-Mills on $AdS_5 \times S^5$ at one-loop higher loops conventional sigma model spin chain on a coset space (expected to be) integrable integrable integrable (Bena-Roiban-Polchinski '03) (Minahan-Zarembo '02) at general λ (Beisert-Staudacher '03) particle model (Beisert '03) (Staudacher '04) (Beisert '05) $(L \to \infty)$

λ

Plan of the talk

1. Super Yang-Mills at one-loop (spin chain)

2. Classical string theory (classical sigma model)

3. All-order SYM/quantum strings (particle model)

1. $\mathcal{N} = 4$ Super Yang-Mills

 $\mathcal{N} = 4$ gauge multiplet



 $\mathcal{N} = 4$ Super Yang-Mills

$$\mathcal{L} = -rac{1}{4g_{
m YM}^2} {
m Tr} ig((F_{\mu
u})^2 \ + \ 2 (D_\mu \Phi_i)^2 - ([\Phi_i, \Phi_j])^2 \ + \ 2 i ar{\Psi} D \hspace{-.5mm}/ \Psi - 2 ar{\Psi} \Gamma_i [\Phi_i, \Psi] ig)$$

Global symmetry: $SO(4,2) \times SU(4) \subset PSU(2,2|4)$



Conformal Field Theory

• Correlation function of local operators

$$\begin{aligned} \langle \mathcal{O}_1(x_1)\mathcal{O}_2(x_2) \rangle \\ &= \delta_{D_1 D_2} \frac{B_{12}}{|x_{12}|^{D_1 + D_2}} \\ \langle \mathcal{O}_1(x_1)\mathcal{O}_2(x_2)\mathcal{O}_3(x_3) \rangle \\ &= \frac{C_{123}}{|x_{12}|^{D_1 + D_2 - D_3} |x_{23}|^{D_2 + D_3 - D_1} |x_{31}|^{D_3 + D_1 - D_2}} \end{aligned}$$

 D_i : scaling dimension of the local operator \mathcal{O}_i

• Single trace operators

(Beisert '03)

- dominant in the large N limit
- Scaling dimension:

eigenvalue of the Dilatation operator $\hat{\mathcal{D}}$

• At tree level:

 $\hat{\mathcal{D}}_0\mathcal{O}=\dim(\mathcal{O})\mathcal{O}$

$$[\Phi]=1, \hspace{0.3cm} [\Psi]=rac{3}{2}, \hspace{0.3cm} [F]=2, \hspace{0.3cm} [D]=1$$

• Quantum correction: operator mixing



 $\hat{\mathcal{D}}$: non-diagonal matrix \implies spectral problem

$$\hat{\mathcal{D}} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \lambda^n \hat{\mathcal{D}}_n \qquad \lambda = g_{\mathrm{YM}}^2 N$$
 ('t Hooft coupling)

 $\hat{\mathcal{D}}_1 \Leftrightarrow$ Hamiltonian of $\mathfrak{su}(2,2|4)$ spin chain

(Minahan-Zarembo '02) (Beisert-Staudacher '03)

- - $X = \Phi_1 + i\Phi_2$ $Z = \Phi_5 + i\Phi_6$



XXX Heisenberg Spin chain $H = \sum_{l=1}^{L} (\begin{array}{c|c} & - \\ l & l+1 \end{array})$ Bethe ansatz equation (coordinate Bethe ansatz)

One-magnon states

$$|\Psi(p)
angle = \sum_{l=1}^{L} \psi(l)|\uparrow\cdots\uparrow\downarrow\uparrow\cdots\uparrow
angle$$

$$\psi(l)=e^{ipl}$$

Schrödinger Eq.

$$egin{aligned} H|\Psi
angle &= E|\Psi
angle \ H &= \sum\limits_{l=1}^{L}(\ ert \ er$$

Two-magnon states

$$|\Psi(p_1,p_2)
angle = \sum_{1 \le l_1 < l_2 \le L} \psi(l_1,l_2)|\uparrow \dots \uparrow \downarrow \uparrow \dots \uparrow \downarrow \uparrow \dots \uparrow
angle$$

Schrödinger Eq. $|\Psi\rangle = E|\Psi\rangle$

$$E = \sum_{k=1}^{2} 4 \sin^2 \frac{p_k}{2}$$
 (dispersion relation)

$$\psi(l_1, l_2) = e^{ip_1l_1 + ip_2l_2} + S(p_2, p_1)e^{ip_1l_2 + ip_2l_1}$$
(Bethe's ansatz)

$$S(p_1, p_2) = -\frac{e^{ip_1 + ip_2} - e^{2ip_1} + 1}{e^{ip_1 + ip_2} - e^{2ip_2} + 1}$$
 S-matrix

Integrability of 2D particle models

Factorization of multi-particle scattering amplitudes



 $\left\{ egin{array}{l} {
m dispersion\ relation\ } E(p)\ {
m for\ 1\ particle\ } \\ {
m scattering\ matrix\ } \hat{S}(p_1,p_2)\ {
m for\ 2\ particles\ } \end{array}
ight.$

 $\Rightarrow \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{all scattering amplitudes} \\ \text{spectra of conserved charges} \end{array} \right\} \text{ are determined} \right\}$

Factorized scattering

$$\psi(p_2, p_1, p_3, \dots, p_J) = S(p_1, p_2)\psi(p_1, p_2, p_3, \dots, p_J)$$

Periodic boundary condition

$$\psi(p_2,\ldots,p_J,p_1)=e^{-ip_1L}\psi(p_1,\ldots,p_J)$$



Bethe ansatz equations

$$\left(\frac{u_k + \frac{i}{2}}{u_k - \frac{i}{2}}\right)^L = \prod_{l \neq k}^J \frac{u_k - u_l + i}{u_k - u_l - i} \qquad (k = 1, \dots, J)$$

Local Charges

Momentum

$$P = Q_1 = \sum_k \frac{1}{i} \ln \frac{u_k + \frac{i}{2}}{u_k - \frac{i}{2}}$$

Energy

$$E=Q_2=\sum_k \left(rac{i}{u_k+rac{i}{2}}-rac{i}{u_k-rac{i}{2}}
ight)$$

Higher charges

$$Q_r = \sum_k \frac{1}{r-1} \left(\frac{i}{(u_k + \frac{i}{2})^{r-1}} - \frac{i}{(u_k - \frac{i}{2})^{r-1}} \right)$$

- 2. Classical strings
 - AdS/CFT Correspondence

 $\mathcal{N} = 4 \text{ U}(N)$ Super Yang-Mills





 $egin{aligned} SO(4,2) imes SO(6) \subset PSU(2,2|4) \ \lambda &= g_{YM}^2 N & R^4 = 4\pi g_s lpha'^2 N \ g_{YM}^2 &= g_s \ N o \infty \end{aligned}$





$\mathcal{O} = \operatorname{Tr}(Z \cdots \underline{X} \cdots \overline{\underline{Y}} \cdots Z) + \cdots$



$$\mathcal{O} = \operatorname{Tr}(Z \cdots \nabla^{s} Z \cdots \nabla^{s'} Z \cdots Z) + \cdots$$



Sigma model on $\mathbb{R}_t imes S^n$

$$S = rac{\sqrt{\lambda}}{4\pi} \int d\sigma d au \left[-\partial_a X_0 \partial^a X_0 + \partial_a X_i \partial^a X_i + \Lambda \left(X_i X_i - 1
ight)
ight]
onumber \ (i = 1, \dots, n)$$

Equations of motion

 $\partial_+\partial_-X_i + (\partial_+X_j\partial_-X_j)X_i = 0, \quad \partial_+\partial_-X_0 = 0$



Virasoro constraints

$$(\partial_{\pm} X_i)^2 = (\partial_{\pm} X_0)^2 = \kappa^2$$

Examples of classical string solutions in $S^2 imes \mathbb{R}_t$

point-like string



folded string



pulsating string



circular string









giant magnon

(Hofman-Maldacena '06)





circular string



folded string



Sigma model on $\mathbb{R}_t \times S^3$ \cong SU(2) Principal Chiral Field Model $g \in$ SU(2) $\leftrightarrow \vec{X} \in S^3$ $g = \begin{pmatrix} X_1 + iX_2 & X_3 + iX_4 \\ -X_3 + iX_4 & X_1 - iX_2 \end{pmatrix}$

Right current

$$j = -g^{-1}dg$$

$$d\,j-j\wedge j=0,\qquad d*j=0$$

Virasoro constraints

$$\frac{1}{2}\text{Tr}j_{\pm}^2 = -\kappa^2$$

Lax Connection

$$a(x) = \frac{1}{1 - x^2}j + \frac{x}{1 - x^2} * j$$

x: spectral parameter

$$dj - j \wedge j = 0$$

$$d * j = 0$$

$$\longleftrightarrow$$

$$da(x) - a(x) \wedge a(x) = 0$$

$$\longleftrightarrow$$

$$[\mathcal{L}(x), \mathcal{M}(x)] = 0$$
Lax pair
$$\mathcal{L}(x) = \partial_{\sigma} - a_{\sigma}(x) = \partial_{\sigma} - \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{j_{+}}{1 - x} - \frac{j_{-}}{1 + x} \right)$$

$$\mathcal{M}(x) = \partial_{\tau} - a_{\tau}(x) = \partial_{\tau} - \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{j_{+}}{1 - x} + \frac{j_{-}}{1 + x} \right)$$

Auxiliary Linear Problem

$$\begin{cases} \mathcal{L}(x)\Psi(x;\tau,\sigma) = 0 \\ \mathcal{M}(x)\Psi(x;\tau,\sigma) = 0 \end{cases} \begin{cases} \partial_{\sigma}\Psi = a_{\sigma}\Psi \\ \partial_{\tau}\Psi = a_{\tau}\Psi \end{cases}$$

$$\Psi(x; au,\sigma) = \mathrm{P}\exp\int_0^\sigma a_\sigma d\sigma$$

Monodromy matrix

$$\Psi(x; au,\sigma+2\pi)=\Omega(x; au,\sigma)\Psi(x; au,\sigma)$$

$$\Omega(x; au,\sigma) = \mathrm{P}\exp{\int_{0}^{2\pi}a_{\sigma}d\sigma}$$

Monodromy matrix

$$\Omega(x;\tilde{\tau},\tilde{\sigma}) = U^{-1}\Omega(x;\tau,\sigma)U$$

$$(\tilde{\tau},\tilde{\sigma}+2\pi)$$

$$(\tilde{\tau},\tilde{\sigma}) = U^{-1}\Omega(x;\tau,\sigma)U$$

$$(\tau,\sigma+2\pi)$$

$$(\tau,\sigma)$$

$$\Omega(x;\tau,\sigma)$$

$$\Omega(x;\tau,\sigma)$$

$$p_1(x) = -p_2(x) =: p(x)$$

quasi-momentum

Spectral curve

(Kazakov-Marshakov-Minahan-Zarembo '04)



• Virasoro Constraints

$$\frac{1}{2} \text{Tr} j_{\pm}^2 = -\kappa^2 \quad \Longrightarrow \quad p(x) \sim -\frac{\pi\kappa}{x \mp 1} \qquad (x \to \pm 1)$$

• Branch choice



Explicit form of general finite gap solution

(Dorey-Vicedo '06)

$$egin{aligned} X_1+iX_2&=C_1rac{ heta(2\pi\int_{\infty^+}^{0^+}ec w-\oint_{ec b}d\mathcal{Q}-ec D)}{ heta(\oint_{ec b}d\mathcal{Q}+ec D)}\exp\left(-i\int_{\infty^+}^{0^+}d\mathcal{Q}
ight)\ X_3+iX_4&=C_2rac{ heta(2\pi\int_{\infty^-}^{0^+}ec w-\oint_{ec b}d\mathcal{Q}-ec D)}{ heta(\oint_{ec b}d\mathcal{Q}+ec D)}\exp\left(-i\int_{\infty^-}^{0^+}d\mathcal{Q}
ight) \end{aligned}$$

$$\theta(\vec{z}) = \sum_{\vec{m} \in \mathbb{Z}^g} \exp\left(i\vec{m} \cdot \vec{z} + \pi i(\Pi \vec{m}) \cdot \vec{m}\right) \quad : \text{Riemann theta function}$$

 $d\mathcal{Q} = \sigma dp + \tau dq$ p:quasi-momentum q:quasi-energy

 ω_j : normalized holomorphic differentials

$$\left(\oint_{\mathcal{A}_i} \omega_j = \delta_{ij}
ight)$$

$$b_j = \mathcal{B}_j - \mathcal{B}_{g+1}$$
 : closed B-cycles

 \vec{D}, C_1, C_2 : constants

Finite gap solution on the Yang-Mills side

• Thermodynamic limit

$$egin{aligned} \left(rac{u_p+rac{i}{2}}{u_p-rac{i}{2}}
ight)^L &= \prod_{\substack{q=1\q
eq p}}^J rac{u_p-u_q+i}{u_p-u_q-i}\ &L
ightarrow\infty, \quad u_k\sim O(1) \end{aligned}$$



• Thermodynamic limit with rescaling of rapidities

$$\left(rac{u_p+rac{i}{2}}{u_p-rac{i}{2}}
ight)^L = \prod_{\substack{q=1\q
eq p}}^J rac{u_p-u_q+i}{u_p-u_q-i}$$

$$L, J
ightarrow \infty, \quad u_k
ightarrow L u_k$$

Log of both sides

$$rac{1}{u_p}+2\pi n_p=rac{2}{L}\sum_{q
eq p}^Jrac{1}{u_p-u_q}$$

 $n_p \in \mathbb{Z}$: mode number



Resolvent

$$G(u)=rac{1}{L}\sum_{q=1}^Jrac{1}{u-u_q}$$

 \Downarrow

 \Downarrow



$$G(u) = \int_{\mathcal{C}} rac{dv
ho(v)}{u - v}$$

BAE $rac{1}{u} + 2\pi n_a = 2 \not G(u)$

for $u \in \mathcal{C}_a$

Quasi-momenta

$$p_1(u) = -p_2(u) = G(u) - \frac{1}{2u}$$

BAE

$$\frac{1}{u} + 2\pi n_a = 2 \not G(u)$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \quad p_1(u+i0) = p_2(u-i0) + 2\pi n_a \quad (u \in \mathcal{C}_a)$$



hyper-elliptic curve

Classical Superstring on $AdS_5 \times S^5$



Sigma-Model Action

(Metsaev-Tseytlin '98) (Roiban-Siegel '02)

$$S_{oldsymbol{\sigma}} = rac{\sqrt{\lambda}}{2\pi} \int (rac{1}{2} \mathrm{str} P \wedge *P - rac{1}{2} \mathrm{str} Q_1 \wedge Q_2 + \Lambda \wedge \mathrm{str} P)$$

Lax Connection

(Bena-Polchinski-Roiban '03)

$$egin{aligned} A(z) &= H + ig(rac{1}{2} z^2 + rac{1}{2} z^{-2} ig) P \ &+ ig(-rac{1}{2} z^2 + rac{1}{2} z^{-2} ig) \left(*P - \Lambda
ight) + z^{-1} Q_1 + z \, Q_2 \end{aligned}$$

 $\left\{ \begin{array}{ll} \text{Bianchi Identity} & dJ - J \wedge J = 0 \\ \text{Equation of Motion} \end{array} \right.$

 \Leftrightarrow Flatness Condition

$$dA(z) - A(z) \wedge A(z) = 0$$

Monodromy Matrix

$$arOmega(z) = rac{\mathrm{P}\exp{\int_{0}^{2\pi}d\sigma A(z)}}{\mathrm{P}\exp{\int_{0}^{2\pi}d\sigma A(1)}}$$



Physical quantity: Conjugacy class of $\Omega(z)$ (\Rightarrow Generating functions of conserved charges)

Eigenvalues of the Monodromy Matrix

$$egin{aligned} \Omega^{ ext{diag}}(z) &= u(z)\Omega(z)u(z)^{-1} \ &= ext{diag}(e^{i ilde{p}_1},e^{i ilde{p}_2},e^{i ilde{p}_3},e^{i ilde{p}_4}|e^{i ilde{p}_1},e^{i ilde{p}_2},e^{i ilde{p}_3},e^{i ilde{p}_4}) \end{aligned}$$

 $ilde{p}_i(z), \hat{p}_i(z):$ quasi-momenta

Spectral curve for a classical string solution



(1) distribution of cuts

(Beisert-Kazakov-K.S.-Zarembo '05)

(2) mode numbers




Conserved Charges

• Angular Momenta

$$egin{aligned} J_2-J_3&=rac{\sqrt{\lambda}}{8\pi^2 i}\oint_\infty dx(ilde p_1(x)- ilde p_2(x))\ J_1-J_2&=rac{\sqrt{\lambda}}{8\pi^2 i}\oint_\infty dx(ilde p_2(x)- ilde p_3(x))\ J_2+J_3&=rac{\sqrt{\lambda}}{8\pi^2 i}\oint_\infty dx(ilde p_3(x)- ilde p_4(x)) \end{aligned}$$

• Energy

$$\delta E = -rac{\sqrt{\lambda}}{4\pi^2 i} \sum_{a=1}^{A} \oint_{\mathcal{A}_a} rac{dx}{x^2} (ilde{p}_1(x) + ilde{p}_2(x) - \hat{p}_1(x) - \hat{p}_2(x))$$

3. The particle model

(Staudacher '04) (Beisert '05, '06)

• Vacuum

$$|0\rangle^{\mathrm{I}} := |\cdots ZZZZZZZZZZZZZZZZZ\cdots\rangle$$

• Asymptotic state

 $|X_1X_2\rangle^{\mathrm{I}}$:= $\sum_{n_1 < n_2} e^{ip_1n_1 + ip_2n_2} | \cdots ZZZX_1ZZ \cdots ZZZX_2ZZ \cdots \rangle$ • One particle states: 8 bosons + 8 fermions

(Berenstein-Maldacena-Nastase '02)

$$egin{aligned} X,Y,ar{X},ar{Y}, & D_iZ_{\ (i=1,...,4)}, \ \Psi_{lpha\dot{a}},\Psi_{a\dot{lpha}} & (a,lpha=1,...,2) \end{aligned}$$

: single excitation of Z

 $\bar{Z}, F_{\alpha\beta}, D_i \Phi_j, \dots$: multiple excitation

• Spontaneous breaking of the global symmetry $PSU(2,2|4) \rightarrow PSU(2|2) \times PSU(2|2) \ltimes \mathbb{R}$ $(8|8) = (2|2) \times (2|2)$

• centrally extended $\mathfrak{su}(2|2)$ algebra

$$\begin{split} [R^{a}{}_{b},J^{c}] &= \delta^{c}_{b}J^{a} - \frac{1}{2}\delta^{a}_{b}J^{c} \\ [L^{\alpha}{}_{\beta},J^{\gamma}] &= \delta^{\gamma}_{\beta}J^{\alpha} - \frac{1}{2}\delta^{\alpha}_{\beta}J^{\gamma} \\ \{Q^{\alpha}{}_{a},S^{b}{}_{\beta}\} &= \delta^{b}_{a}L^{\alpha}{}_{\beta} + \delta^{\alpha}_{\beta}R^{b}{}_{a} + \delta^{b}_{a}\delta^{\alpha}_{\beta}C \\ \{Q^{\alpha}{}_{a},Q^{\beta}{}_{b}\} &= \epsilon^{\alpha\beta}\epsilon_{ab}P \\ \{S^{a}{}_{\alpha},S^{b}{}_{\beta}\} &= \epsilon^{ab}\epsilon_{\alpha\beta}K \end{split}$$

• transformation of the one-particle states

$$egin{aligned} Q^{lpha}{}_{a}|\phi^{b}
angle^{\mathrm{I}}&=a\,\delta^{b}_{a}|\psi^{lpha}
angle^{\mathrm{I}}\ Q^{lpha}{}_{a}|\psi^{eta}
angle^{\mathrm{I}}&=b\,\epsilon^{lphaeta}\epsilon_{ab}|\phi^{b}Z^{+}
angle^{\mathrm{I}}\ S^{a}{}_{lpha}|\phi^{b}
angle^{\mathrm{I}}&=c\,\epsilon^{ab}\epsilon_{lphaeta}|\psi^{eta}Z^{-}
angle^{\mathrm{I}}\ S^{a}{}_{lpha}|\psi^{eta}
angle^{\mathrm{I}}&=d\,\delta^{eta}_{lpha}|\phi^{a}
angle^{\mathrm{I}} \end{aligned}$$

$$|\mathbf{X}\rangle^{\mathrm{I}} = \sum_{n} e^{ipn} | \cdots ZZ \mathbf{X} ZZ \cdots \rangle$$
$$|\mathbf{Z}^{+} \mathbf{X}\rangle^{\mathrm{I}} = \sum_{n} e^{ipn} | \cdots ZZ \mathbf{Z} \mathbf{X} ZZ \cdots \rangle$$
$$|\mathbf{X} \mathbf{Z}^{+}\rangle^{\mathrm{I}} = \sum_{n} e^{ipn} | \cdots ZZ \mathbf{X} \mathbf{Z} ZZ \cdots \rangle$$
$$|\mathbf{Z}^{\pm} \mathbf{X}\rangle^{\mathrm{I}} = e^{\mp ip} | \mathbf{X} \mathbf{Z}^{\pm}\rangle^{\mathrm{I}}$$
$$E = \sqrt{1 + \frac{\lambda}{\pi^{2}} \sin^{2}\left(\frac{p}{2}\right)} - 1$$

Casimir invariant (for the 4-dim rep.)

dispersion relation

(Beisert-Dippel-Staudacher '04)

$$\left(C=rac{1}{2}n_{ ext{particle}}+rac{1}{2}E
ight)$$

 $\mathfrak{su}(2|2)$ S-matrix $\mathcal{S}(p_1, p_2; \lambda)$ (Beisert '05, '06)

- 2-body scattering matrix of 4-dim reps. (16 × 16 matrix)
- invariant under the centrally extended $\mathfrak{su}(2|2)$

⇒ fully determined up to an overall scalar

- It satisfies unitarity and Yang-Baxter eqs.
- Equivalent up to a similarity transf. with the Shastry's R-matrix (→ integrability of the Hubbard model)
 (not of the difference form)

$$\begin{split} S(p_1, p_2) &= \frac{x_2^- - x_1^+}{x_2^+ - x_1^-} \frac{\eta_1 \eta_2}{\tilde{\eta}_1 \tilde{\eta}_2} \Big(E_1^1 \otimes E_1^1 + E_2^2 \otimes E_2^2 + E_1^1 \otimes E_2^2 + E_2^2 \otimes E_1^1 \Big) \\ &+ \frac{(x_1^- - x_2^+)(x_1^- x_2^- - x_1^+ x_2^+)}{(x_1^- - x_2^+)(x_1^- x_2^- - x_1^+ x_2^+)} \frac{\eta_1 \eta_2}{\tilde{\eta}_1 \tilde{\eta}_2} \Big(E_1^1 \otimes E_2^2 + E_2^2 \otimes E_1^1 - E_1^2 \otimes E_2^1 - E_2^1 \otimes E_1^2 \Big) \\ &- \Big(E_3^3 \otimes E_3^3 + E_4^4 \otimes E_4^4 + E_3^3 \otimes E_4^4 + E_4^4 \otimes E_3^3 \Big) \\ &+ \frac{(x_1^- - x_1^+)(x_2^- - x_2^+)(x_1^- + x_2^+)}{(x_1^- - x_2^+)(x_1^- x_2^- - x_1^+ x_2^+)} \Big(E_3^3 \otimes E_4^4 + E_4^4 \otimes E_3^3 - E_3^4 \otimes E_4^3 - E_4^3 \otimes E_3^4 \Big) \\ &+ \frac{x_2^- - x_1^- \eta_1}{(x_1^- - x_2^+)(x_1^- x_2^- - x_1^+ x_2^+)} \Big(E_3^3 \otimes E_4^4 + E_2^2 \otimes E_3^3 + E_2^2 \otimes E_4^4 \Big) \\ &+ \frac{x_1^+ - x_2^+ \eta_2}{x_1^- - x_2^+ \tilde{\eta}_2} \Big(E_3^3 \otimes E_1^1 + E_4^4 \otimes E_1^1 + E_3^3 \otimes E_2^2 + E_4^4 \otimes E_2^2 \Big) \\ &+ i \frac{(x_1^- - x_1^+)(x_2^- - x_2^+)(x_1^+ - x_2^+)}{(x_1^- - x_2^+)(1 - x_1^- x_2^-) \tilde{\eta}_1 \tilde{\eta}_2} \Big(E_1^4 \otimes E_3^3 + E_2^3 \otimes E_1^4 - E_2^4 \otimes E_1^3 - E_1^3 \otimes E_2^4 \Big) \\ &+ \frac{x_1^+ x_2^- (x_1^- - x_2^+)(x_1^- - x_2^-)}{(x_1^- - x_2^+)(1 - x_1^- x_2^-)} \Big(E_3^2 \otimes E_4^1 + E_4^4 \otimes E_3^2 - E_4^2 \otimes E_1^3 - E_3^1 \otimes E_4^2 \Big) \\ &+ \frac{x_1^+ x_2^+ (x_1^- - x_2^+)(x_1^- - x_2^+)}{\eta_1} \Big(E_1^3 \otimes E_3^1 + E_1^4 \otimes E_3^1 + E_4^4 \otimes E_3^2 - E_4^2 \otimes E_3^1 - E_3^1 \otimes E_4^2 \Big) \\ &+ \frac{x_1^+ x_2^+ (x_1^- - x_2^+)(x_1^- x_2^-)}{\eta_1} \Big(E_1^3 \otimes E_3^1 + E_4^4 \otimes E_3^2 - E_4^2 \otimes E_3^1 - E_3^1 \otimes E_4^2 \Big) \\ &+ \frac{x_1^+ x_2^- (x_1^- - x_2^+)}{\eta_1} \Big(E_1^3 \otimes E_3^1 + E_1^4 \otimes E_3^1 + E_2^3 \otimes E_3^2 + E_2^4 \otimes E_4^2 \Big) \\ &+ \frac{x_1^+ - x_1^- \eta_2}{\eta_1} \Big(E_3^1 \otimes E_3^1 + E_4^1 \otimes E_3^1 + E_3^2 \otimes E_3^2 + E_2^4 \otimes E_4^2 \Big) \\ &+ \frac{x_1^+ - x_1^- \eta_2}{x_1^- - x_2^- \eta_1} \Big(E_3^1 \otimes E_1^1 + E_3^2 \otimes E_3^2 + E_4^2 \otimes E_4^2 \Big) \\ &+ \frac{x_2^+ - x_2^- \eta_1}{x_1^- - x_2^- \eta_1} \Big(E_1^3 \otimes E_1^3 + E_1^4 \otimes E_1^4 + E_3^2 \otimes E_3^2 + E_4^2 \otimes E_4^2 \Big) \\ &+ \frac{x_1^+ - x_1^- \eta_2}{x_1^- - x_2^- \eta_1} \Big(E_1^3 \otimes E_1^3 + E_1^4 \otimes E_1^4 + E_3^2 \otimes E_3^2 + E_4^2 \otimes E_4^2 \Big) \\ &+ \frac{x_1^+ - x_1^- \eta_2}{x_1^- - x_2^- \eta_1} \Big(E_1^3 \otimes E_1^3 + E_1^4 \otimes E_1^4 + E_3^2 \otimes E_3^2 + E_4^2 \otimes E_4^2 \Big) \\ &+$$

SPIN CHAIN BASIS: $\eta_1 = \eta(p_1)$, $\eta_2 = \eta(p_2)$, $\tilde{\eta}_1 = \eta(p_1)$, $\tilde{\eta}_2 = \eta(p_2)$ STRING BASIS: $\eta_1 = \eta(p_1)e^{\frac{i}{2}p_2}$, $\eta_2 = \eta(p_2)$, $\tilde{\eta}_1 = \eta(p_1)$, $\tilde{\eta}_2 = \eta(p_2)e^{\frac{i}{2}p_1}$

$$\eta(p) = \sqrt{ix^{-}(p) - ix^{+}(p)} \qquad \qquad x^{+} + \frac{1}{x^{+}} - x^{-} - \frac{1}{x^{-}} = \frac{i}{g}, \qquad \frac{x^{+}}{x^{-}} = e^{ip}$$

The S-matrix is concisely expressed in terms of new rapidity variables x^{\pm}

$$x^{\pm}(u) = x(u \pm rac{i}{2})$$

 $x(u) = rac{u}{2} \left(1 + \sqrt{1 - 4g^2/u^2}
ight) \qquad \left(g = rac{\sqrt{\lambda}}{4\pi}
ight)$



$$u \pm \frac{i}{2} = x^{\pm} + \frac{g^2}{x^{\pm}}$$

Full $\mathfrak{su}(2|2) \oplus \mathfrak{su}(2|2)$ S-matrix

• Periodic boundary condition

Yang equations:
$$e^{ip_k L} = \prod_{j \neq k}^{K_4} \hat{S}(p_k, p_j)$$

 $\oint \text{ diagonalization (by nested Bethe ansatz)} \qquad (Beisert '05, Martins-Melo '07, de Leeuw '07, ...)}$
Asymptotic all-order $\mathfrak{psu}(2, 2|4)$ Bethe equations



All-order Bethe equations (Beisert-Staudacher '05)

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$$1 = \prod_{j=1}^{K_2} \frac{u_{1,k} - u_{2,j} + i/2}{u_{1,k} - u_{2,j} - i/2} \prod_{j=1}^{K_4} \frac{1 - g^2/x_{1,k} x_{4,j}^+}{1 - g^2/x_{1,k} x_{4,j}^-},$$

$$1 = \prod_{j \neq k}^{K_2} \frac{u_{2,k} - u_{2,j} - i}{u_{2,k} - u_{2,j} + i} \prod_{j=1}^{K_3} \frac{u_{2,k} - u_{3,j} + i/2}{u_{2,k} - u_{3,j} - i/2} \prod_{j=1}^{K_1} \frac{u_{2,k} - u_{1,j} + i/2}{u_{2,k} - u_{1,j} - i/2},$$

$$1 = \prod_{j=1}^{K_2} \frac{u_{3,k} - u_{2,j} + i/2}{u_{3,k} - u_{2,j} - i/2} \prod_{j=1}^{K_4} \frac{u_{3,k} - u_{4,j} + i}{u_{3,k} - u_{2,j} - i/2} \prod_{j=1}^{K_4} \frac{x_{3,k} - x_{4,j}^+}{x_{3,k} - x_{4,j}^-},$$

$$\left(\frac{x_{4,k}^+}{x_{4,k}^-}\right)^J = \prod_{j\neq k}^{K_4} \frac{u_{4,k} - u_{4,j} + i}{u_{4,k} - u_{4,j} - i} e^{2i\theta(u_{4,k}, u_{4,j})} \prod_{j=1}^{K_1} \frac{1 - g^2/x_{4,k}^- x_{1,j}}{1 - g^2/x_{4,k}^+ x_{1,j}} \prod_{j=1}^{K_3} \frac{x_{4,k}^- - x_{3,j}}{x_{4,k}^+ - x_{3,j}},$$

$$\left(\frac{\operatorname{dressing phase}}{x_{4,k}^- - u_{6,j} - i/2} \prod_{j=1}^{K_4} \frac{x_{5,k} - x_{4,j}^+}{u_{5,k} - u_{6,j} - i/2} \prod_{j=1}^{K_4} \frac{x_{5,k} - x_{4,j}^+}{u_{5,k} - u_{5,j} - i/2},$$

$$1 = \prod_{j\neq k}^{K_6} \frac{u_{6,k} - u_{6,j} + i/2}{u_{5,k} - u_{6,j} + i} \prod_{j=1}^{K_6} \frac{u_{6,k} - u_{5,j} + i/2}{u_{6,k} - u_{5,j} - i/2} \prod_{j=1}^{K_7} \frac{u_{6,k} - u_{7,j} + i/2}{u_{6,k} - u_{7,j} - i/2},$$

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Spectral curve for a classical string solution



(1) distribution of cuts

(Beisert-Kazakov-K.S.-Zarembo '05)

(2) mode numbers





Anomalous dimension

$$egin{aligned} &\gamma(g) \,=\, 2g^2 \sum_{k=1}^{K_4} \left(rac{i}{x_{4,k}^+} - rac{i}{x_{4,k}^-}
ight) \ &=\, \sum_{l=1}^\infty \gamma_{2l} \, g^{2l} \end{aligned}$$

• Many non-trivial checks up to 4 loops

(See, e.g. Beisert-Kristjansen-Staudacher '03, Beisert-Eden-Staudacher '06)

• Asymptotic Bethe ansatz

It breaks down when the wrapping interaction starts (See, e.g. Kotikov-Lipatov-Rej-Staudacher-Velizhanin '07)

(Some part of finite size corrections can be systematically computed with the help of Lüscher formulas) (Janik-Łukowski '07)

(see also Dorey-Hofman-Maldacena '07) 50

- dispersion relation
- S-matrix up to an overall scalar factor
 - Determination of the remaining scalar factor

 $PSU(2|2) \times PSU(2|2) \ltimes \mathbb{R}^3$ centrally extended symmetry

Strings on $AdS_5 \times S^5$ in the uniform light-cone gauge

→ particle model with the same symmetry

(Arutyunov-Frolov-Staudacher '04, Janik '06, Hernández-López '06, Beisert-Hernández-López '06, ...)

• Closed integral formula

Characteristic of the particle model:

• The symmetry fully determines

(Beisert-Eden-Staudacher '06)

(Beisert '05)

(Arutyunov, Frolov, Plefka, Zamaklar '05, '06) Determination of the scalar factor

A) Factorized bootstrap program (phenomenological method)

crossing symmetry, poles and branch cuts, perturbative computation, etc.

(Zamolodchikov² '77)

(Arutyunov-Frolov-Staudacher '04, Janik '06, Hernández-López '06, Beisert-Hernández-López '06, Beisert-Eden-Staudacher '06, ...)

B) Direct computation (microscopic derivation)

effective phase of underlying bare integrable model

(Korepin '79, Faddeev-Takhtajan '81, Andrei-Destri '84)

(KS-Satoh '07)

A) Factorized bootstrap program

Zamolodchikovs' derivation

i) Lie algebra and its representation

$$\hat{R}(u)=c_1(u)\hat{I}+c_2(u)\hat{P}$$

ii) unitarity, associativity (=Yang-Baxter Eqs.)

$$\hat{R}(u) = rac{u}{u+i}\hat{I} + rac{i}{u+i}\hat{P}$$

iii) crossing symmetry

$$\hat{S}(u) = X_{ ext{CDD}}(u)S_0(u)\hat{R}(u)$$

iv) pole analysis

$$\hat{S}(u)=S_0(u)\hat{R}(u)$$

AdS/CFT particle model

(i) String side

Mismatch between all-loop Bethe eqs. and classical strings

"three-loop discrepancy"

It can be repaired by a dressing factor in the Bethe eqs.

$$\left(rac{x_k^+}{x_k^-}
ight)^L = \prod_{j
eq k}^K \sigma^2(u_j,u_k) rac{u_k-u_j+i}{u_k-u_j-i}$$

AFS factor (Arutyunov-Frolov-Staudacher '04)

scalar factor of the S-matrix = dressing factor in the Bethe eqs.

AFS factor: correct at the leading semi-classical order

Quantum corrections in the worldsheet theory : $\frac{1}{\sqrt{\lambda}}$ expansion

(Hernández-López '06)

(Freyhult-Kristjansen '06) (Gromov-Vieira '07)

All order conjecture

(Beisert-Hernández-López '06)

consistent with

(Arutyunov-Frolov '06)

Crossing symmetry

(Janik '06)

(ii) Gauge theory side

Low twist operators

$$\mathcal{O} = \operatorname{Tr}(D^S Z^L) + \cdots \qquad S \gg L(=2,3,\ldots)$$

soft(cusp) anomalous dimension:

$$\Delta = S + f(g) \log S + \mathcal{O}(S^0)$$

f(g) : universal scaling function

(Eden-Staudacher '06)

(Beisert-Eden-Staudacher '06)

 $S_0(p_1,p_2;g)$: scalar factor

trivial up to three loops

Proposal of Beisert-Eden-Staudacher

• Based on phenomenological principles:

1/2 of the expected phase

 $\left\{\begin{array}{l} \text{scaling law (Beisert-Klose 'o5)} \\ \text{transcendentality (Kotikov-Lipatov 'o2)} \end{array}\right\} \xrightarrow{\text{A phase factor}} \\ \text{is uniquely fixed} \\ \text{cancellation of } \zeta(2n+1) \end{array}\right\}$

- "Analytic continuation" from the string side
- Numerical tests against MHV amplitudes at 4 loops (Bern-Czakon-Dixon-Kosower-Smirnov '06) (Cachazo-Spradlin-Volovich '06)

Closed integral formula (in the Fourier space)

$$\hat{K}_d(t,t') = 8g^2 \int_0^\infty dt'' \hat{K}_1(t,2gt'') \frac{t''}{e^{t''}-1} \hat{K}_0(2gt'',t)$$

$$\hat{K}_0(t,t') = \frac{tJ_1(t)J_0(t') - t'J_0(t)J_1(t')}{t^2 - t'^2} \quad \hat{K}_1(t,t') = \frac{t'J_1(t)J_0(t') - tJ_0(t)J_1(t')}{t^2 - t'^2}$$

How to understand its structural simplicity?

Any simple derivation/interpretation?

Emergence of such integral kernels in solving the nested levels of Bethe eqs.

(Rej-Staudacher-Zieme '07)

B) Direct computation

su(2) R-matrix

⇒ BAE for Heisenberg spin-chain

$$\begin{pmatrix} \frac{u_k + \frac{i}{2}}{u_k - \frac{i}{2}} \end{pmatrix}^L = \prod_{l \neq k}^J \frac{u_k - u_l + i}{u_k - u_l - i}$$
$$H = \sum_{l=1}^L (\chi_{l+1} - | l |) \quad \text{anti-ferromagnetic chain}$$

E ferromagnetic state magnon states spinon states ⇒ fundamental excitations anti-ferromagnetic state ⇒ vacuum

Single magnon state



Single spinon state



antiferromagnetic ground states



2-spinon excitated states: 2-holes $\begin{array}{c|c} & \underline{u} \\ & \text{scattering phase of the 2-spinons} \\ & & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & & \\ & & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & & \\ & & &$

Scalar factor of the Zamolodchikovs' S-matrix

How to compute the scattering phase?

Total scattering phase that the particle 1 acquires in the presence/absence of the particle 2



 \ln (R-matrix) $\ln S_0$

• $\mathfrak{su}(2)$ R-matrix

 \implies Bethe equations for the $\mathfrak{su}(2)$ Heisenberg spin-chain

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antiferromagnetic vacuum

➡>Zamolodchikovs' S-matrix

• $\mathfrak{su}(2|2) \oplus \mathfrak{su}(2|2)$ R-matrix

 $\implies \text{Asymptotic all-loop } \mathfrak{psu}(2,2|4) \text{ Bethe equations}$ (without the dressing phase) (Beisert-Staudacher '05)

"antiferromagnetic" vacuum $\langle \langle \phi_1 \phi_2 Z^+ \rangle + |\psi_1 \psi_2 \rangle$

 \implies $\mathfrak{su}(2|2) \oplus \mathfrak{su}(2|2)$ S-matrix with the dressing factor (KS-Satoh '07) (cf. Rej-Staudacher-Zieme '07) All-order Bethe equations (Beisert-Staudacher '05)

$$\begin{aligned} & \text{All-order Bethe equations (Beisert-Staudacher'og)} \qquad 1 = \prod_{j=1}^{K_4} \frac{x_{4,j}^+}{u_{1,k} - u_{2,j} + i/2} \prod_{j=1}^{K_4} \frac{1 - g^2/x_{1,k} x_{4,j}^+}{1 - g^2/x_{1,k} x_{4,j}^-}, \\ & 1 = \prod_{j\neq k}^{K_2} \frac{u_{1,k} - u_{2,j} + i/2}{u_{2,k} - u_{2,j} + i} \prod_{j=1}^{K_3} \frac{u_{2,k} - u_{3,j} + i/2}{u_{2,k} - u_{3,j} - i/2} \prod_{j=1}^{K_1} \frac{u_{2,k} - u_{1,j} + i/2}{u_{2,k} - u_{1,j} - i/2}, \\ & 1 = \prod_{j=1}^{K_2} \frac{u_{3,k} - u_{2,j} + i/2}{u_{3,k} - u_{2,j} - i/2} \prod_{j=1}^{K_4} \frac{x_{3,k} - x_{4,j}^+}{u_{3,k} - u_{2,j} - i/2} \prod_{j=1}^{K_4} \frac{x_{3,k} - x_{4,j}^+}{u_{3,k} - u_{4,j} - i/2}, \\ & 1 = \prod_{j=1}^{K_4} \frac{u_{4,k} - u_{4,j} + i}{u_{4,k} - u_{4,j} - i/2} \prod_{j=1}^{K_4} \frac{x_{3,k} - x_{4,j}^+}{u_{3,k} - x_{4,j}^-}, \\ & \left(\frac{x_{4,k}^+}{x_{4,k}^-}\right)^J = \prod_{j\neq k}^{K_4} \frac{u_{4,k} - u_{4,j} + i}{u_{4,k} - u_{4,j} - i} \frac{e^{2i\theta(u_{4,k}, u_{4,j})}}{\prod_{j=1}^{K_1} \prod_{j=1}^{I-g^2/x_{4,k}^- x_{1,j}} \prod_{j=1}^{K_8} \frac{x_{4,k}^- - x_{3,j}}{x_{4,k}^+ - x_{3,j}}, \\ & 1 = \prod_{j=1}^{K_6} \frac{u_{5,k} - u_{6,j} + i/2}{u_{5,k} - u_{6,j} - i/2} \prod_{j=1}^{K_4} \frac{x_{5,k} - x_{4,j}^+}{u_{5,k} - x_{4,j}^-}, \\ & 1 = \prod_{j\neq k}^{K_6} \frac{u_{6,k} - u_{6,j} - i}{u_{6,k} - u_{6,j} + i/2} \prod_{j=1}^{K_6} \frac{u_{6,k} - u_{5,j} + i/2}{u_{6,k} - u_{5,j} - i/2} \prod_{j=1}^{K_7} \frac{u_{6,k} - u_{7,j} + i/2}{u_{6,k} - u_{7,j} - i/2}, \\ & 1 = \prod_{j=1}^{K_6} \frac{u_{7,k} - u_{6,j} + i/2}{u_{7,k} - u_{6,j} - i/2} \prod_{j=1}^{K_6} \frac{1 - g^2/x_{7,k} x_{4,j}^+}{u_{6,k} - u_{7,j} - i/2}, \\ & 1 = \prod_{j=1}^{K_6} \frac{u_{7,k} - u_{6,j} + i/2}{u_{7,k} - u_{6,j} - i/2} \prod_{j=1}^{K_6} \frac{1 - g^2/x_{7,k} x_{4,j}^+}{1 - g^2/x_{7,k} x_{4,j}^+}. \end{aligned}$$

2 fundamental excitations over the physical vacuum



• We proposed a possible form of the microscopic derivation of the S-matrix in AdS/CFT

• S-matrix, including the overall scalar factor, is completely determined by the $\mathfrak{su}(2|2)$ symmetry

No need of gauge/string perturbative data

• Once the integrability is proven both in the Planar $\mathcal{N} = 4$ super Yang-Mills and in the free superstrings on AdS, the spectrum is uniquely constructed for arbitrary λ .

Quantitative "proof" of the AdS/CFT correspondence in the limit $N\to\infty, L\to\infty$

Summary

- The spectral problem of the dilatation operator is fully solved at one-loop
- General solutions of classical strings on the AdS background can be constructed
- Spectra of all-order dilatation operator / quantum strings are partly available

Prospects

- Wrapping interactions and finite size corrections
 - Lüscher formulas (Janik-Łukowski '07)
 - Thermodynamic Bethe ansatz (Arutyunov-Frolov '07)
- Proof/disproof of integrability
 - Yangian symmetry (Beisert-Erkal '07)
 - Non planar case? (Casteill-Janik-Jarosz-Kristjansen '07)

Appendix

Starting point: $\mathfrak{su}(2|2) \oplus \mathfrak{su}(2|2)$ R-matrix

(S-matrix without the dressing factor)

$$\hat{S} = S_0^2 [\hat{R}_{\mathfrak{su}(2|2)} \otimes \hat{R}_{\mathfrak{su}(2|2)}]$$

$$S_0(p_k, p_j)^2 = \frac{x_k^- - x_j^+}{x_k^+ - x_j^-} \frac{1 - g^2 / x_k^+ x_j^-}{1 - g^2 / x_k^- x_j^+} \frac{e^{2i\theta(u_k, u_j)}}{\|}$$
die bounderweendition

• Periodic boundary condition

Yang equations:
$$e^{ip_k L} = \prod_{j \neq k}^{K_4} \hat{S}(p_k, p_j)$$

 $\oint \text{ diagonalization (by nested Bethe ansatz)} \qquad (Beisert '05, Martins-Melo '07, de Leeuw '07, ...)}$
Asymptotic all-order $\mathfrak{psu}(2, 2|4)$ Bethe equations

(Here: no direct correspondence with Yang-Mills operators)

Rapidity variables

Constraints on the occupation numbers

$$x^{\pm}(u) = x(u \pm \frac{i}{2})$$

 $x(u) = \frac{u}{2} \left(1 + \sqrt{1 - 4g^2/u^2}\right)$
 $g = \frac{\sqrt{\lambda}}{4\pi}$

$$K_{2}$$

$$|\wedge$$

$$K_{1}+K_{3}$$

$$|\wedge$$

$$K_{4}$$

$$|\vee$$

$$K_{5}+K_{7}$$

$$|\vee$$

$$K_{6}$$

How to construct the "anti-ferromagnetic" vacuum?

 $\prod_{j=1}^{K_4} \frac{1 - g^2 / x_{7,l} \, x_{4,j}^+}{1 - g^2 / x_{7,l} \, x_{4,j}^-} = \prod_{j=1}^{K_6} \frac{u_{7,l} - u_{6,j} - i/2}{u_{7,l} - u_{6,j} + i/2}$ $\prod_{j=1}^{K_7} \frac{u_{6,l} - u_{7,j} + i/2}{u_{6,l} - u_{7,j} - i/2} = \prod_{j \neq l}^{K_6} \frac{u_{6,l} - u_{6,j} + i}{u_{6,l} - u_{6,j} - i}$ $\boldsymbol{\mathcal{N}}$ $e^{i k_l L_H} = \prod_{j=1}^M rac{\sin k_l - \Lambda_j - i |U|}{\sin k_l - \Lambda_j + i |U|}$ $\prod_{j=1}^{N_e} \frac{\Lambda_l - \sin k_j + i|U|}{\Lambda_l - \sin k_j - i|U|} = \prod_{j=1}^{M} \frac{\Lambda_l - \Lambda_j + 2i|U|}{\Lambda_l - \Lambda_j - 2i|U|}$

Lieb-Wu equations for the Hubbard model in the attractive case (U < 0)

Ground state configuration




 $|\cdots \phi^1 \phi^1 \cdots \rangle \rightarrow |\cdots \phi^1 \phi^2 Z^+ \cdots \rangle + |\cdots \psi^1 \psi^2 \cdots \rangle$

Correspondence of occupation numbers

 $\begin{array}{l} K_4 \ \Leftrightarrow \ L_H \ (\text{length of the Hubbard model}) \\ K_6 \ \Leftrightarrow \ M \ \ (\# \ \text{of down spins} \ \diamondsuit \) \\ K_7 \ \Leftrightarrow \ N_e \ \ (\# \ \text{of electrons} \ \diamondsuit \ \diamondsuit \ \diamondsuit \) \end{array}$

Ground state of the Hubbard model

$$N_e = L_H$$
 charge-singlet (half-filled)
 $M = N_e/2$ spin-singlet $\dot{\phi} \dot{\phi} \dot{\phi} \dot{\phi} \dot{\phi}$

Occupation numbers for the 'AF vacuum'

 $(K_1, K_2, K_3, K_4, K_5, K_6, K_7) = (2M, M, 0, 2M, 0, M, 2M)$

Stack configuration at nested levels \oint Insertion of the dressing phase



(KS-Satoh '07) (Rej-Staudacher-Zieme '07)

• In order to support the stack structure, one needs additional $2M u_4$ roots.

Configuration of the central roots



This configuration, when considered in the physical Bethe equations, corresponds to the pulsating string in S^2

pulsating string



point-like string

