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Exact anomalous dimensions of 4-dimensional N=4 super-Yang-Mills theory in 'tHooft limit

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Outline

- Yang-Mills gauge theories are the mathematical basis of our description of Nature, but they are very difficult to deal with, especially beyond the weak coupling regime. Lattice Monte-Carlo simulations don't always lead to precise and transparent results.
- Can we hope on analytic understanding of Yang-Mills theories in strong coupling regime?
- A remarkable example of integrable (=solvable) 4D quantum gauge field theory is a remote relative of QCD - the superconformal N=4 Yang-Mills theory in the planar ('t Hooft) approximation $N_c = \infty$.
- In a certain sense, planar N=4 SYM is completely solvable, i.e. any reasonable physical quantity (not only in BPS sector!) can be computed at any force of coupling.
- Exact solution is due to **AdS/CFT correspondence** to string theory on $AdS_5 \times S^5$ background and to **quantum integrability** of string sigma-model.
- I will describe the origins and the form of exact equations for anomalous dimensions, called Quantum Spectral Curve (QSC), and review some results of computations using QSC.

Planar Graphs as String Worldsheets

't Hooft

- Yang-Mills theory

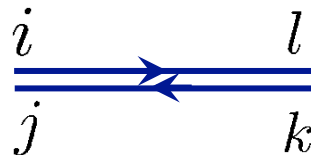
$$\mathcal{S}_{YM} = \frac{1}{g_{YM}^2} \int d^4x \text{Tr} F_{\mu\nu} F^{\mu\nu}, \quad F_{\mu\nu} = \partial_\mu A_\nu - \partial_\nu A_\mu + [A_\mu, A_\nu]$$

$$A_\mu^{ij}, \quad i, j = 1, \dots, N_c$$

- Propagators

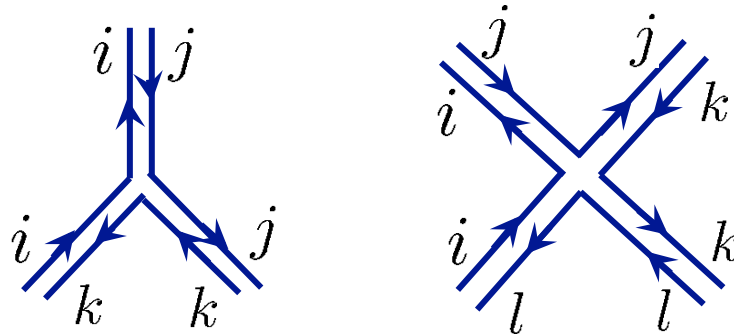
$$\langle A^{ij}(y) A^{kl}(x) \rangle_0 = \delta^{il} \delta^{jk} D(x - y)$$

$$i, j, k, l = 1 \dots N_c$$

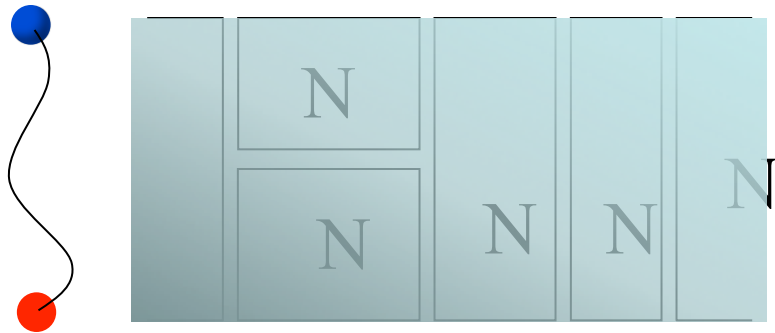


Index is conserved along each line

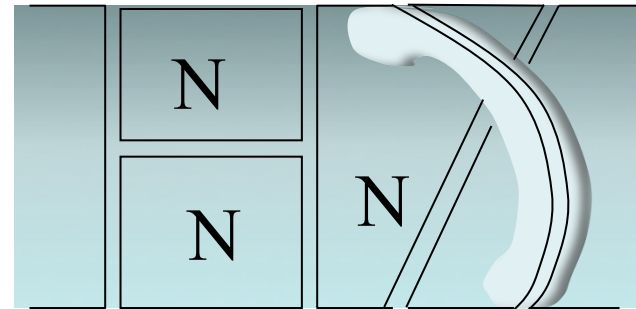
- Vertices



Planar graphs and large-N expansion



$$(g_{YM}^2 N)^5$$



$$(g_{YM}^2 N)^5 \times \frac{1}{N^2}$$

Double expansion:

Perturbative, in 't Hooft coupling:

$$\lambda = g_{YM}^2 N$$

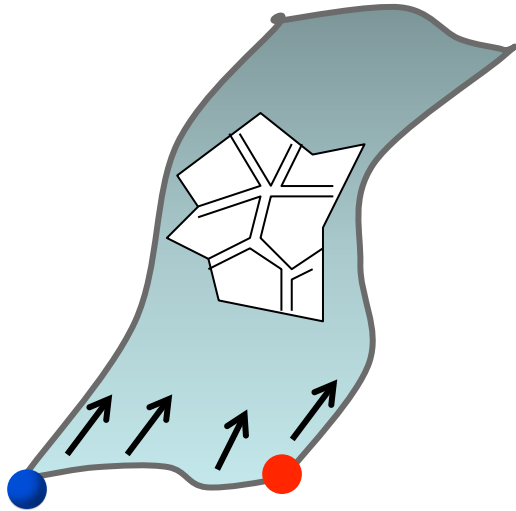
Topological, in string coupling:

$$g_s = \frac{1}{N^2}$$

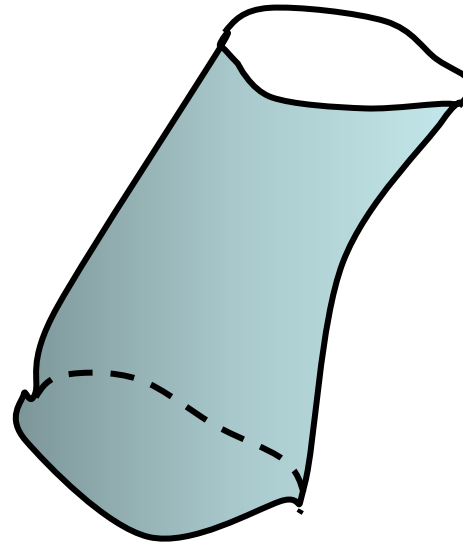
- Successfully applied for matrix approach in 2d quantum gravity and non-critical strings – early example of “AdS/CFT”.

String picture in QCD

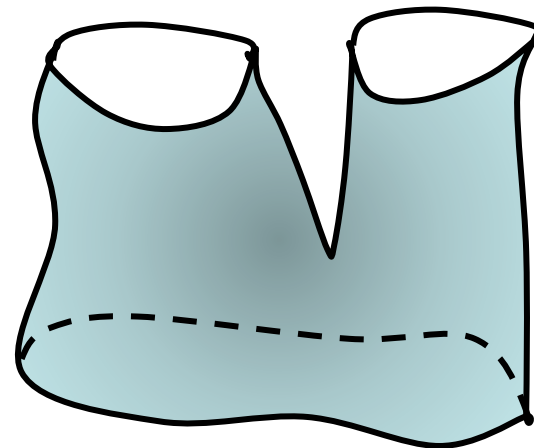
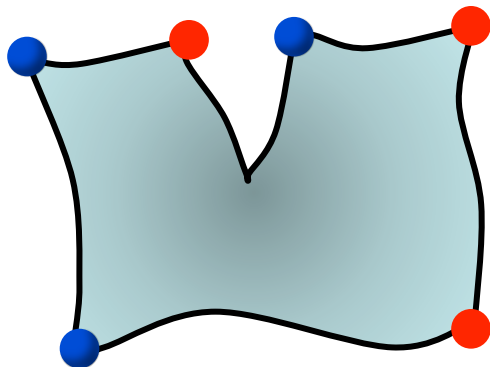
- Meson: quark and antiquark connected by an open string



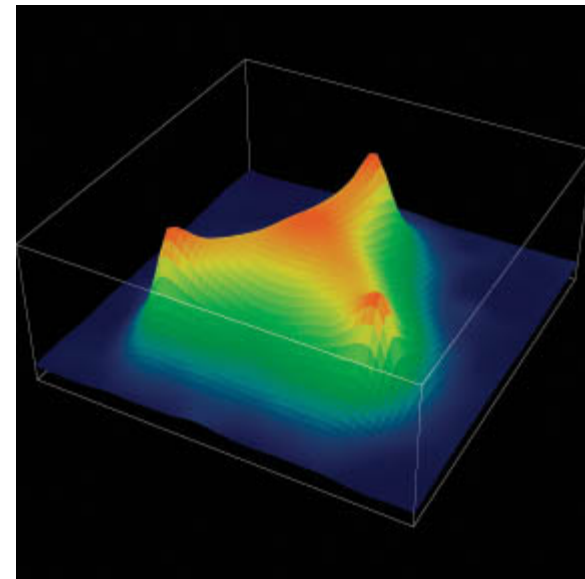
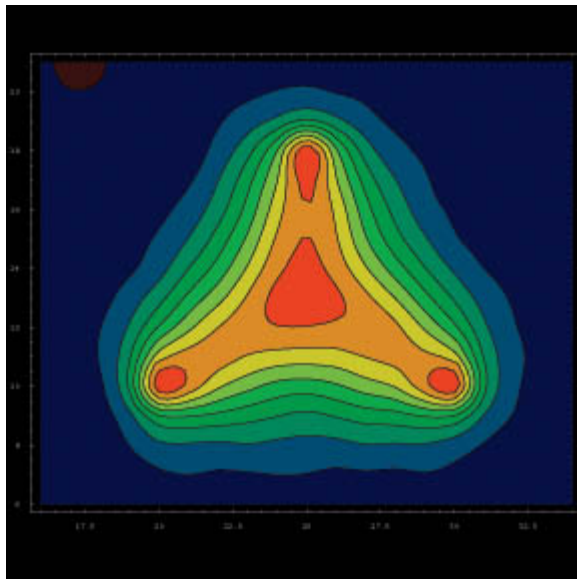
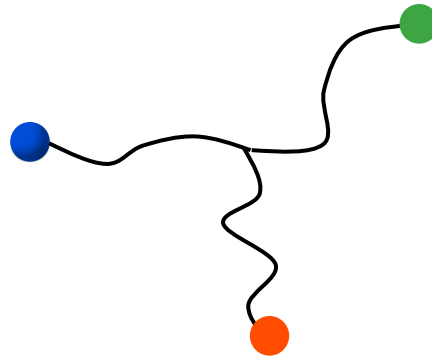
- Glueball: closed string



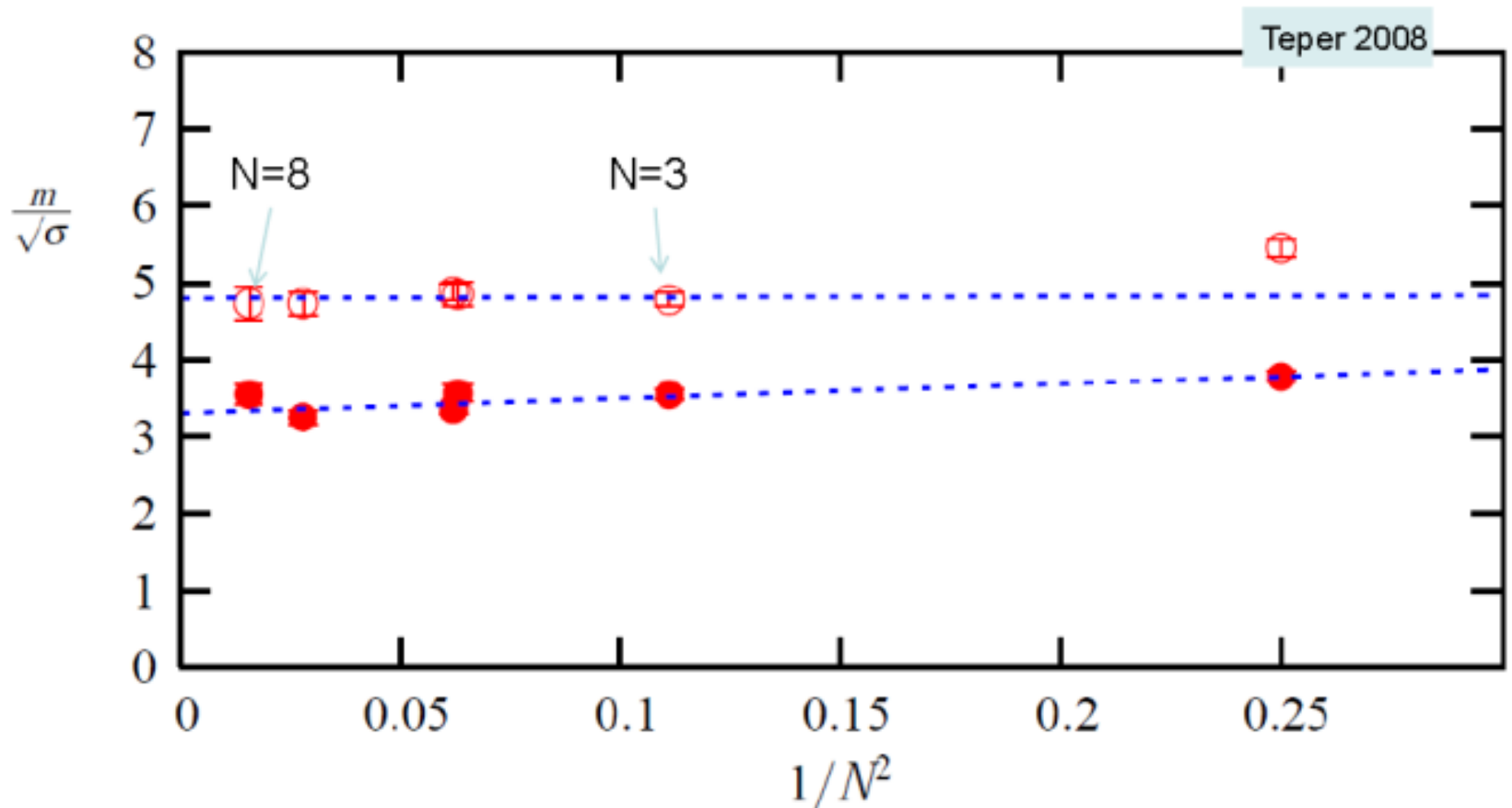
- Amplitudes



Barion flux tube formation (lattice QCD)...



Glueball masses as functions of number of colors N_c from lattice QCD simulations



N=4 Super-Yang-Mills theory

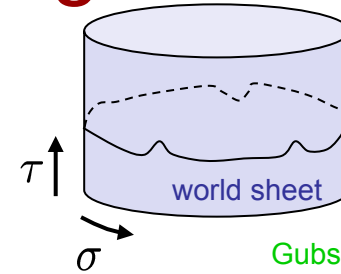
AdS/CFT correspondence
and integrability

N=4 SYM dual to superstring on AdS₅ x S⁵

$$\mathcal{S}_{SYM} = \frac{1}{g^2} \int d^4x \text{Tr} (F^2 + (D\Phi)^2 + \bar{\Psi}D\Psi + \bar{\Psi}\Phi\Psi + [\Phi, \Phi]^2)$$

super-conformal theory:
β-function=0, no massive particles

CFT/AdS duality
weak / strong

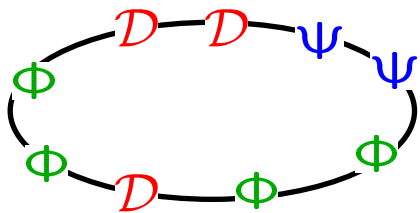


Maldacena
Gubser, Klebanov, Polyakov
Witten

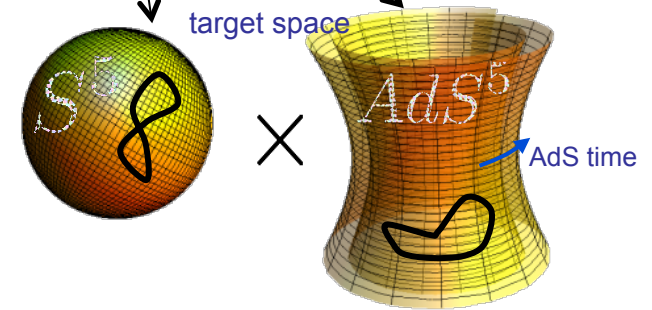
Local operators:

$$\mathcal{S}_{sigma} = g \int d\tau \int_0^L d\sigma \left[(\partial\vec{X})^2 + (\partial\vec{Y})^2 + \text{fermions} \right]$$

$$\mathcal{O}(x) = \text{Tr} [DD\Psi\Psi\Phi\Phi D\Psi \dots] (x)$$



operators / states



Metsaev, Tseytlin

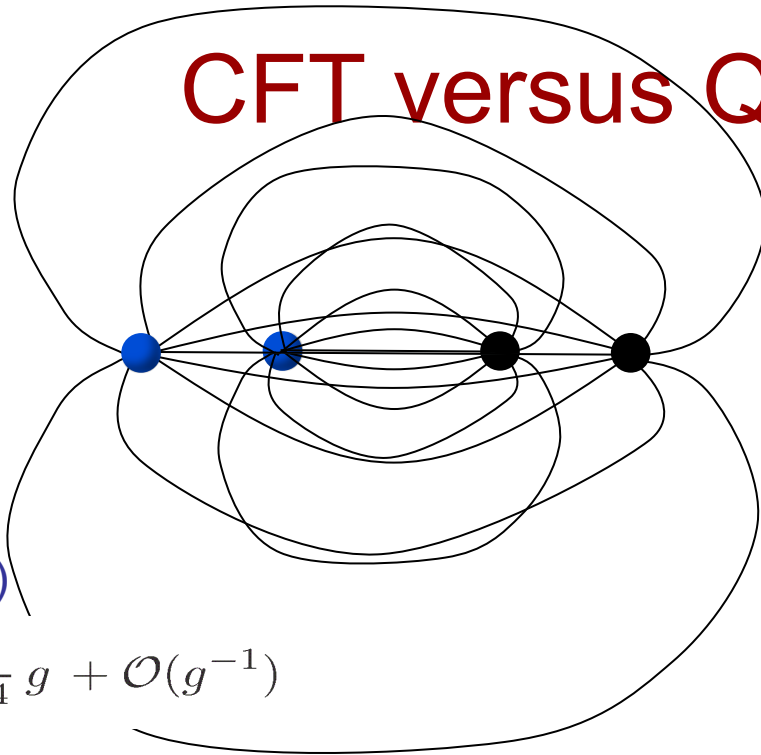
Anomalous dimension $\Delta_{\mathcal{O}}(g) =$ Energy of the dual string state

- Super-conformal symmetry PSU(2,2|4) isometry of string target space
- Gamma-deformed N=4 SYM is also conformal&integrable (N=4 → N=0)

$$[A, B] \rightarrow e^{i\gamma_{AB}} AB - e^{-i\gamma_{AB}} BA$$

Leigh, Strassler
Frolov
Lunin, Maldacena
Beisert, Roiban

CFT versus QCD



- CFT

$$V_\lambda(r) = -\frac{e^2(g)}{4\pi r}$$

- N=4 SYM
(planar limit,
strong coupling)

$$e^2(g) = -\frac{2^{3/2}\pi}{\Gamma(1/4)^4} g + \mathcal{O}(g^{-1})$$

Maldacena

- QCD: stretched string
at large separation

$$V(r) = V(r_0) + \sigma r + \frac{c(r)}{r},$$

where $c(r) = -\frac{D-2}{24} + \mathcal{O}(1/r)$

- 4D Correlators:

$$\langle \mathcal{O}_i(x) \mathcal{O}_j(0) \rangle = \frac{\delta_{ij}}{|x|^{2\Delta_j(g)}}$$

scaling dimensions

structure constants

non-trivial functions
of 't Hooft coupling g

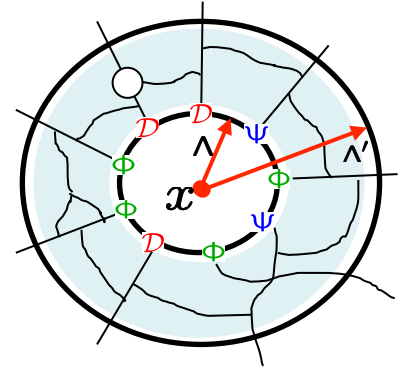
$$\langle \mathcal{O}_i(x_1) \mathcal{O}_j(x_2) \mathcal{O}_k(x_3) \rangle = \frac{C_{ijk}(g)}{|x_{12}|^{\Delta_i + \Delta_j - \Delta_k} |x_{23}|^{\Delta_j + \Delta_k - \Delta_i} |x_{31}|^{\Delta_i + \Delta_k - \Delta_j}}$$

They describe the whole conformal theory via operator product expansion

Dilatation operator in SYM perturbation theory

- Dilatation operator \hat{D} from point-splitting and renormalization

$$\mathcal{O}_j^{\Lambda'}(x) = \left[\left(\frac{\Lambda'}{\Lambda} \right)^{\hat{D}} \right]_{jk} \mathcal{O}_k^{\Lambda}(x)$$



- Conformal dimensions are eigenvalues of dilatation operator \hat{D}

$$\hat{D}_{jk} \mathcal{O}_k(x) = \Delta_j \mathcal{O}_j$$

- Can be computed from perturbation theory in $g^2 = N g_{YM}^2$

$$\hat{D} = \hat{D}^{(0)} + g^2 \hat{D}^{(2)} + g^4 \hat{D}^{(4)} + \dots$$

$$\Delta = \Delta^{(0)} + g^2 \Delta^{(2)} + g^4 \Delta^{(4)} + \dots$$

Exact spectrum at one loop (su(2)-sector)

- Dilatation operator = Heisenberg Hamiltonian, integrable by Bethe ansatz!

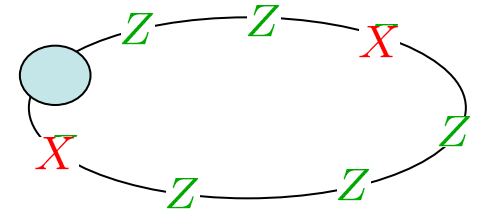
$\text{Tr} Z^L(x)$ - vacuum:

$$\hat{D} = L + g^2 \sum_{l=1}^L (1 - \sigma_l \cdot \sigma_{l+1})$$

Minahan, Zarembo

$$+ g^4 \sum_{l=1}^L \left((1 - \sigma_l \cdot \sigma_{l+2}) - 4(1 - \sigma_l \cdot \sigma_{l+1}) \right) + O(g^6)$$

Beisert, Kristijansen, Staudacher
also integrable!



- Twisted periodic boundary condition with twist parameter γ
It corresponds to a particular case of gamma-deformed, N=1 SYM.
- One loop N=4 SYM anomalous dimensions given by condition of analyticity (polynomiality) of two Baxter functions

$$Q_1(u) = e^{iu\gamma} \prod_{j=1}^J (u - u_j), \quad Q_2(u) = e^{-iu\gamma} \prod_{j=1}^{L-J} (u - \tilde{u}_j)$$

related by so called QQ-relation:

$$Q_1(u+i/2)Q_2(u-i/2) - Q_1(u-i/2)Q_2(u+i/2) = 2 \sin(\gamma) u^L$$

- One-loop anomalous dimensions in terms of solutions of QQ relations:

$$\Delta = L + i\partial_u \log \frac{Q(u-i/2)}{Q(u+i/2)} \Big|_{u=0}$$

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Quantum Spectral Curve for exact N=4 SYM dimensions

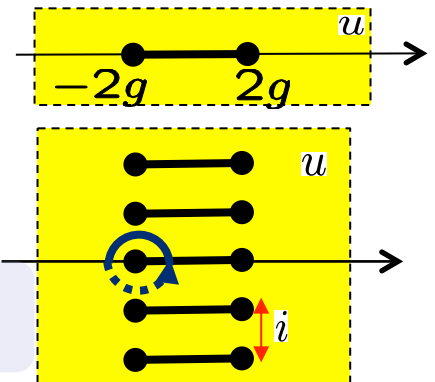
- QSC generalizes the integrability and analyticity principals from quantum spin chains to the AdS5xS5 string sigma-model.
- We brought spectral AdS/CFT problem from infinite AdS/CFT Y-system to a finite number of non-linear integral QSC equations.
- Basic functions with “simple” analytic properties (one cut, or i-periodic cuts)

$$P_a(u), \quad a = 1, 2, 3, 4;$$

$$\mu_{ab}(u) = -\mu_{ba}(u), \quad a, b = 1, 2, 3, 4 \quad \text{Pf}(\mu) = 1$$

$$\tilde{\mu}_{ab}(u) = \mu_{ab}(u + i)$$

- analytic continuation of
through the cut on



- Large u asymptotics defined by angular momenta on the sphere S^5

$$P_a(u) \sim u^{\frac{1}{2}(\aleph \cdot \mathbf{J})_a}, \quad u \rightarrow \infty$$

$$\mathbf{J} = \begin{pmatrix} J_1 \\ J_2 \\ J_3 \end{pmatrix}$$

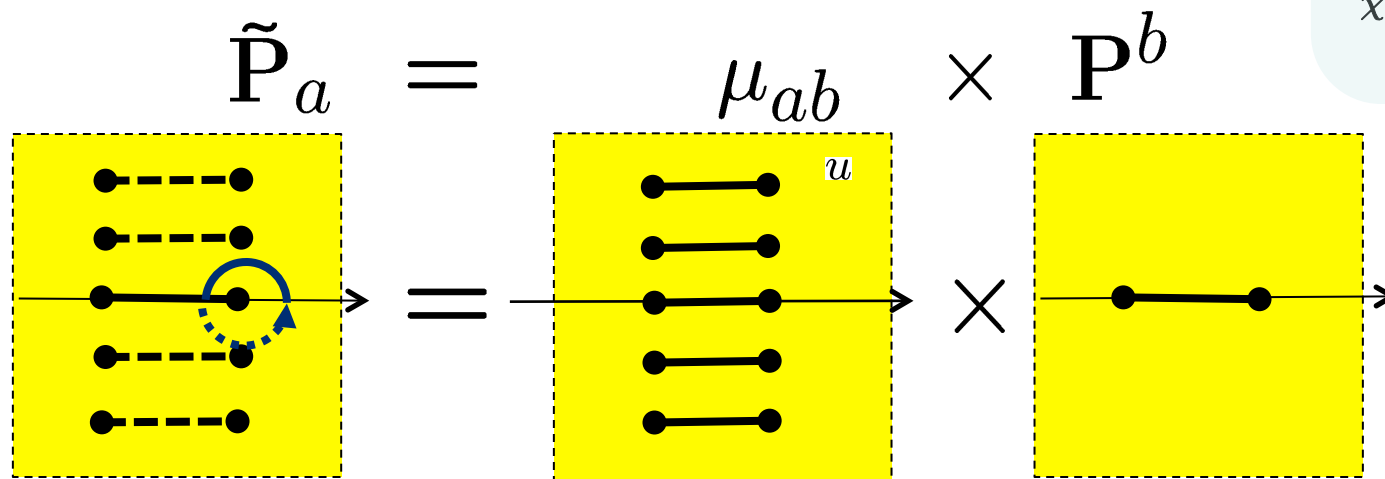
$$\aleph = \begin{pmatrix} -1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & -1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & -1 \\ -1 & -1 & -1 \end{pmatrix}$$

- If we include twists of gamma-deformation: $\gamma = \begin{pmatrix} \gamma_1 \\ \gamma_2 \\ \gamma_3 \end{pmatrix}$
- No other singularities for all functions!

Quantum Spectral Curve Equations (Pμ -system)

- Monodromy around the branch point:

$$\tilde{\mathbf{P}}_a = \mu_{ab} \mathbf{P}^b$$



Reduction for $SL(2)$ operators $\text{Tr}(\nabla^S Z^L)$

$$\mathbf{P}^a = -\chi^{ab} \mathbf{P}_b$$

$$\chi = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

- $P\mu$ -system contains also an equation for monodromy of μ :

$$\tilde{\mu}_{ab} - \mu_{ab} = \mathbf{P}_a \tilde{\mathbf{P}}_b - \mathbf{P}_b \tilde{\mathbf{P}}_a$$

- Anomalous dimension can then be found from other asymptotics, e.g.

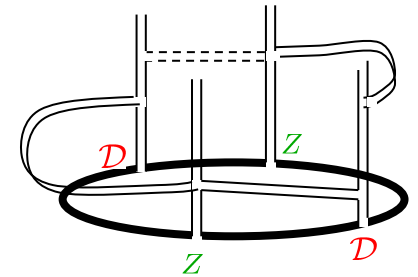
$$\mu_{12} \simeq u^{\Delta - J_1}$$

Some Results for SYM Spectrum from Exact Equations

Perturbative Konishi dimension of N=4 SYM from QSC

$$\begin{aligned}
 \Delta = & 4 + 12g^2 - 48g^4 + 336g^6 + \boxed{g^8 (-2496 + 576 \zeta_3 - 1440 \zeta_5)} \leftarrow 131,000 \text{ graphs!} \\
 & + g^{10} (15168 + 6912 \zeta_3 - 5184 \zeta_3^2 - 8640 \zeta_5 + 30240 \zeta_7) \\
 & + g^{12} (-7680 - 262656 \zeta_3 - 20736 \zeta_3^2 + 112320 \zeta_5 + 155520 \zeta_3 \zeta_5 + 75600 \zeta_7 - 489888 \zeta_9) \\
 & + g^{14} (-2135040 + 5230080 \zeta_3 - 421632 \zeta_3^2 + 124416 \zeta_3^3 - 229248 \zeta_5 + 411264 \zeta_3 \zeta_5 \\
 & \quad - 993600 \zeta_5^2 - 1254960 \zeta_7 - 1935360 \zeta_3 \zeta_7 - 835488 \zeta_9 + 7318080 \zeta_{11}) \\
 & + g^{16} \left(54408192 - 83496960 \zeta_3 + 7934976 \zeta_3^2 + 1990656 \zeta_3^3 - 19678464 \zeta_5 - 4354560 \zeta_3 \zeta_5 \right. \\
 & \quad - 3255552 \zeta_3^2 \zeta_5 + 2384640 \zeta_5^2 + 21868704 \zeta_7 - 6229440 \zeta_3 \zeta_7 + 22256640 \zeta_5 \zeta_7 \\
 & \quad \left. + 9327744 \zeta_9 + 23224320 \zeta_3 \zeta_9 + \frac{65929248}{5} \zeta_{11} - 106007616 \zeta_{13} - \frac{684288}{5} Z_{11}^{(2)} \right) \\
 & + g^{18} \left(-1014549504 + 1140922368 \zeta_3 - 51259392 \zeta_3^2 - 20155392 \zeta_3^3 + 575354880 \zeta_5 \right. \\
 & \quad - 14294016 \zeta_3 \zeta_5 - 26044416 \zeta_3^2 \zeta_5 + 55296000 \zeta_5^2 + 15759360 \zeta_3 \zeta_5^2 - 223122816 \zeta_7 \\
 & \quad + 34020864 \zeta_3 \zeta_7 + 22063104 \zeta_3^2 \zeta_7 - 92539584 \zeta_5 \zeta_7 - 113690304 \zeta_7^2 - 247093632 \zeta_9 \\
 & \quad + 119470464 \zeta_3 \zeta_9 - 245099520 \zeta_5 \zeta_9 - \frac{186204096}{5} \zeta_{11} - 278505216 \zeta_3 \zeta_{11} - 253865664 \\
 & \quad \left. + 1517836320 \zeta_{15} + \frac{15676416}{5} Z_{11}^{(2)} - 1306368 Z_{13}^{(2)} + 1306368 Z_{13}^{(3)} \right) \\
 & + g^{20} \left(16445313024 - 13069615104 \zeta_3 - 1509027840 \zeta_3^2 + 578949120 \zeta_3^3 \right. \\
 & \quad - 14929920 \zeta_3^4 - 11247547392 \zeta_5 + 1213581312 \zeta_3 \zeta_5 + 1234206720 \zeta_3^2 \zeta_5 \\
 & \quad - 70170624 \zeta_3^3 \zeta_5 - 1390279680 \zeta_5^2 - 654842880 \zeta_3 \zeta_5^2 + \frac{6966252288}{175} \zeta_5^3 \\
 & \quad + 377212032 \zeta_7 - 1610841600 \zeta_3 \zeta_7 + 154680192 \zeta_3^2 \zeta_7 + 222341760 \zeta_5 \zeta_7 \\
 & \quad + 133788672 \zeta_3 \zeta_5 \zeta_7 + 868662144 \zeta_7^2 + 4915257984 \zeta_9 - 332646912 \zeta_3 \zeta_9 \\
 & \quad - 91072512 \zeta_3^2 \zeta_9 + 1099699200 \zeta_5 \zeta_9 + 2275620480 \zeta_7 \zeta_9 + \frac{9793211904}{5} \zeta_{11} \\
 & \quad - 2334572928 \zeta_3 \zeta_{11} + 2713772160 \zeta_5 \zeta_{11} - \frac{787483944}{175} \zeta_{13} + 3372969600 \zeta_3 \zeta_{13} \\
 & \quad - \frac{4308536566944}{875} \zeta_{15} - 21661960320 \zeta_{17} + \frac{752219136}{5} Z_{11}^{(2)} - \frac{5070791808}{175} Z_{13}^{(2)} \\
 & \quad \left. - \frac{7159104}{7} Z_{13}^{(3)} + \frac{2716063488}{175} Z_{15}^{(2)} - \frac{17895168}{25} Z_{15}^{(3)} + 11943936 \zeta_3 Z_{11}^{(2)} \right) + \mathcal{O}(g^{22}),
 \end{aligned}$$

Marbeau, Volin
(10-loops from
quantum spectral
curve)



Always expressed through rationals
times Riemann multi-zeta numbers

Confirmed up to 5 loops
by direct graph calculus

Fiamberti, Santambrogio, Sieg, Zanon
Velizhanin
Eden, Heslop, Korchemsky, Smirnov, Sokatchev

- Integrability is far more efficient than summing Feynman diagrams!

Strong coupling and numerics from exact QSC equations

- $1/g$ -expansion for dimension of Konishi operator from our exact equations



- Numerics of extremely high precision from QSC (easily 20 orders!)

0.1	4.115 506 377 945	0.2	4.418 859 880 802
0.3	4.826 948 662 284	0.4	5.271 565 182 595
0.5	5.712 723 424 787	0.6	6.133 862 814 488
0.7	6.531 606 077 852	0.8	6.907 504 206 024
0.9	7.264 169 587 439	1.	7.604 070 717 047
1.1	7.929 294 264 157	1.2	8.241 563 441 148
1.3	8.542 302 872 295	1.4	8.832 699 939 316
1.5	9.113 754 048 916	1.6	9.386 314 656 368
1.7	9.651 110 426 530	1.8	9.908 771 708 559
1.9	10.159 848 013 162	2.	10.404 821 743 441

Gromov, Levkovich-Maslyuk, Sizov

Confirms earlier results of
Gromov, V.K., Vieira
Frolov

- Exact AdS/CFT QSC equations pass all known tests!

BFKL Dimension from Quantum Spectral Curve

- Balitsky-Fadin-Kuraev-Lipatov limit for twist-2 operator:
- LO and NLO known from the direct Feynman graph resummation.
- We realized the analytic continuation in spin S and BFKL limit for QSC equations
Alfimov, Gromov, V.K.

Costa, Concalves, Penedones

LO :

Jaroszewicz,
Lipatov,
Kotikov, Lipatov

Reproduced from QSC by Alfimov, Gromov, V.K.

NLO :

NNLO :

$$\frac{1}{256} F_3 =$$

$$-\frac{5S_{-5}}{8} - \frac{S_{-4,1}}{2} + \frac{S_1 S_{-3,1}}{2} + \frac{S_{-3,2}}{2} - \frac{5S_2 S_{-2,1}}{4}$$

$$+ \frac{S_{-4} S_1}{4} + \frac{S_{-3} S_2}{8} + \frac{3S_{3,-2}}{4} - \frac{3S_{-3,1,1}}{2} - S_1 S_{-2,1,1}$$

$$+ S_{2,-2,1} + 3S_{-2,1,1,1} - \frac{3S_{-2} S_3}{4} - \frac{S_5}{8} + \frac{S_{-2} S_1 S_2}{4}$$

$$+ \pi^2 \left[\frac{S_{-2,1}}{8} - \frac{7S_{-3}}{48} - \frac{S_{-2} S_1}{12} + \frac{S_1 S_2}{48} \right]$$

$$+ \zeta_3 \left[-\frac{7S_{-1,1}}{4} + \frac{7S_{-2}}{8} + \frac{7S_{-1} S_1}{4} - \frac{S_2}{16} \right]$$

$$+ \left[2\text{Li}_4 - \frac{\pi^2 \log^2 2}{12} + \frac{\log^4 2}{12} \right] (S_{-1} - S_1) - \pi^4 \left[\frac{2S_{-1}}{45} - \frac{S_1}{96} \right]$$

$$+ \frac{\log^5 2}{60} - \frac{\pi^2 \log^3 2}{36} - \frac{2\pi^4 \log 2}{45} - \frac{\pi^2 \zeta_3}{24} + \frac{49\zeta_5}{32} - 2\text{Li}_5$$

Gromov, Levkovich-Maslyuk, Sizov

Kotikov, Lipatov

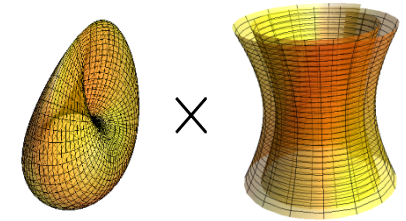
Multi-zeta functions:

Found from
iterative solution of QSC

- Might help to find the NNLO leading pomeron trajectory for QCD

Conclusions and prospects

- We have a few examples of exactly solvable planar gauge theories at $D > 2$, such as 4D $N=4$ SYM and 3D ABJM model, dual to $CP^3 \times AdS_4$



- The problem of computing the anomalous dimensions of local operators is reduced to a finite set of non-linear Riemann-Hilbert type equations -- Quantum Spectral Curve – a unique tool for analytic and numerical study of anomalous dimensions at any coupling.
- Many other physical quantities might be exactly computable: n-point correlation f-ns, Wilson loops, gluon scattering amplitudes, 1/N-corrections
- Can we use it as a zero order approximation to realistic gauge theories, such as QCD?
- What is the origin of this integrability on the gauge side?

