

Four-dimensional defect CFT and integrable boundary states

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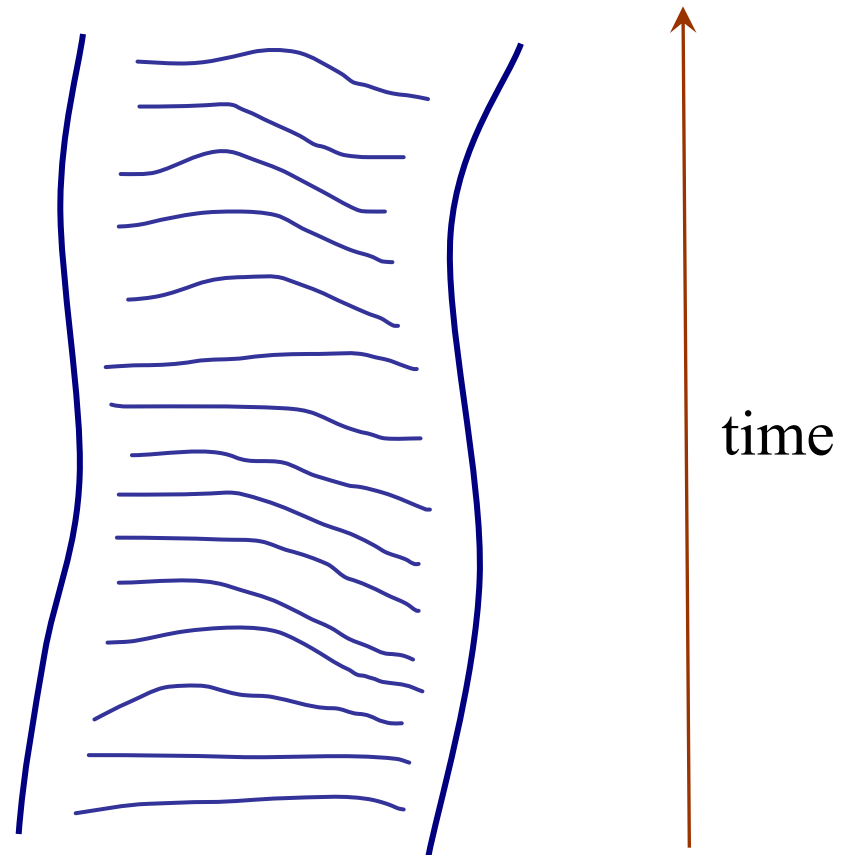
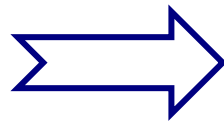
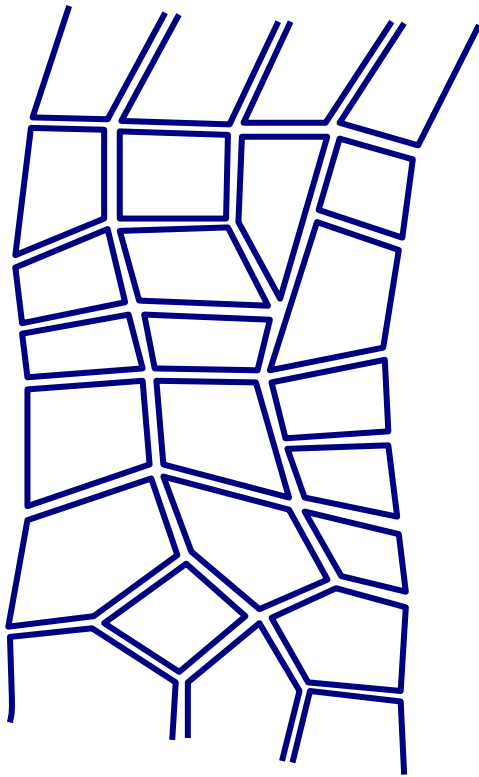
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Planar diagrams and strings

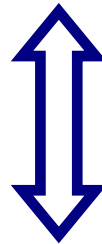
Large-N limit: $N \rightarrow \infty$, λ – fixed 't Hooft'74



AdS/CFT correspondence

Yang-Mills theory with
N=4 supersymmetry

Exact equivalence



Maldacena'97
Gubser,Klebanov,Polyakov'98
Witten'98

String theory on
AdS₅xS⁵ background

AdS/CFT correspondence

Maldacena'97

$\mathcal{N} = 4$ SYM

Strings on $AdS_5 \times S^5$

't Hooft coupling: $\lambda = g_{YM}^2 N$

String tension: $T = \frac{\sqrt{\lambda}}{2\pi}$

Number of colors: N

String coupling: $g_s = \frac{\lambda}{4\pi N}$

Large- N limit

Free strings

Strong coupling

Classical strings

Local operators

String states

Scaling dimension: Δ

Energy: E Gubser, Klebanov, Polyakov'98
Witten'98

$N=\infty$
in this talk

Anti-de-Sitter space (AdS₅)

$$ds^2 = \frac{dx^\mu dx_\mu + dz^2}{z^2}$$

5D bulk

strings

gauge fields

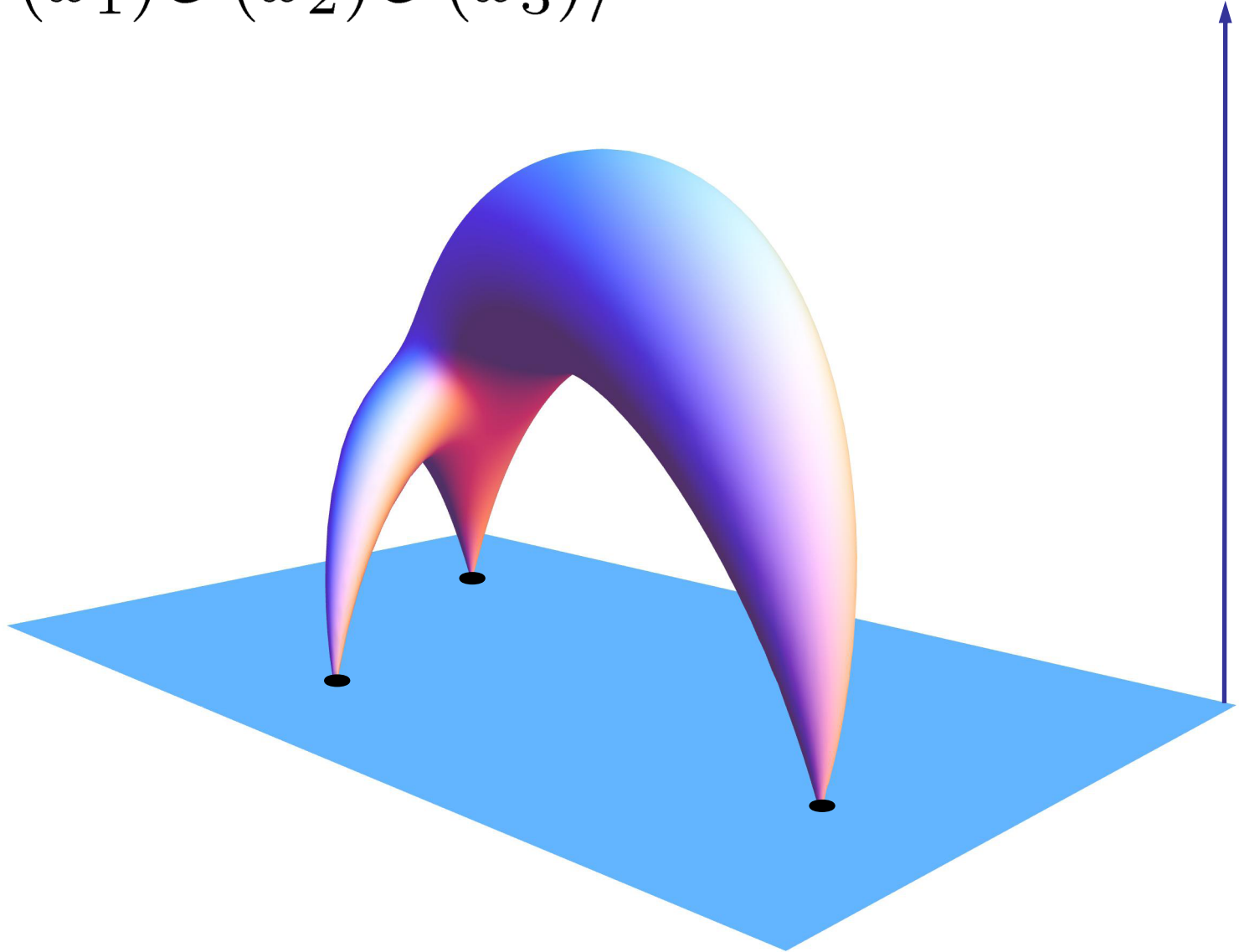
z

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4D boundary



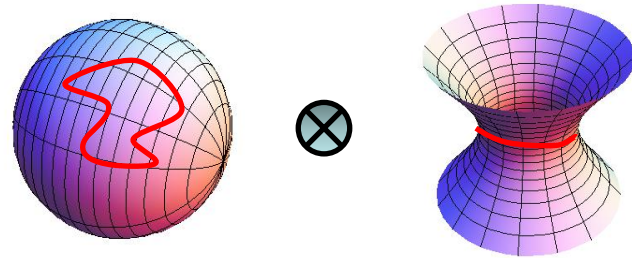
$$\langle \mathcal{O}(x_1)\mathcal{O}(x_2)\mathcal{O}(x_3) \rangle$$



String integrability

$$S^5 = SO(6)/SO(5)$$

$$AdS_5 = SO(4, 2)/SO(4, 1)$$



symmetric spaces

- σ – model on $AdS_5 \times S^5$ is integrable

Eichenherr, Forger '79

Superstring:

$$\text{Super}(AdS_5 \times S^5) = PSU(2, 2|4)/SO(5) \times SO(4, 1)$$

- Green-Schwarz σ -model is also integrable

Metsaev, Tseytlin '98

Bena, Polchinski, Roiban '03

N=4 Supersymmetric Yang-Mills Theory

Gliozzi,Scherk,Olive'77
Brink,Schwarz,Scherk'77

Field content:

A_μ Φ_I Ψ_α^A all in the adjoint of $SU(N)$

$I = 1 \dots 6$ $A = 1 \dots 4$

Action:

$$S = \frac{1}{g_{YM}^2} \int d^4x \operatorname{tr} \left\{ \frac{1}{2} F_{\mu\nu}^2 + (D_\mu \Phi_I)^2 - \frac{1}{2} [\Phi_I, \Phi_J]^2 + i \bar{\Psi} \Gamma^\mu D_\mu \Psi - \bar{\Psi} \Gamma^I [\Phi_I, \Psi] \right\}$$

Operators

- Protected

energy-momentum tensor

$$\text{tr} \left(F_{\mu\lambda} F^{\lambda\nu} - \frac{1}{4} \delta_{\mu}^{\nu} F_{\lambda\rho} F^{\lambda\rho} + \text{scalars} + \text{fermions} \right) : \quad \Delta = 4$$

- Non-degenerate

$$\text{tr} \Phi_I \Phi_I : \quad \Delta = 2 + \frac{3\lambda}{4\pi^2} - \frac{3\lambda^2}{16\pi^4} + \frac{21\lambda^3}{256\pi^6} + \dots \quad \text{Konishi operator}$$

- Degenerate

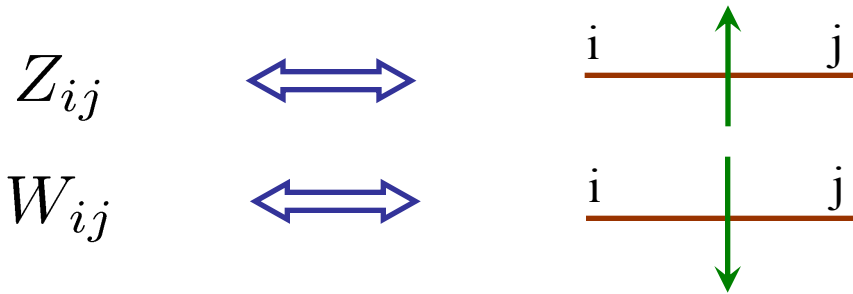
$$\text{tr} \Phi_I \Phi_I \Phi_J \Phi_J + \text{loop corrections} : \quad \Delta = 4 + \text{loop corrections}$$

(mixes with $\text{tr} \Phi_I \Phi_J \Phi_I \Phi_J$)

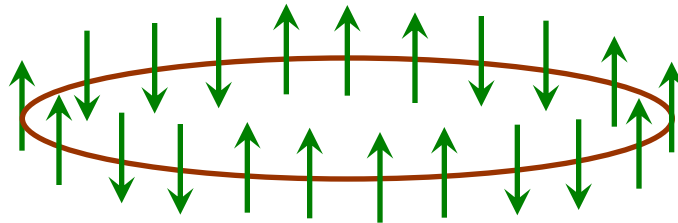
Local operators and spin chains

$$Z = \Phi_1 + i\Phi_2$$

$$W = \Phi_3 + i\Phi_4$$

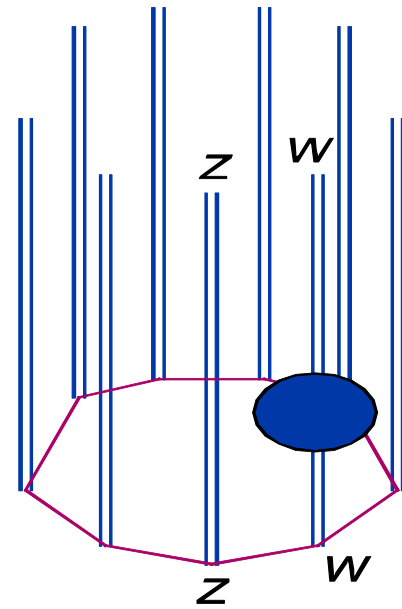
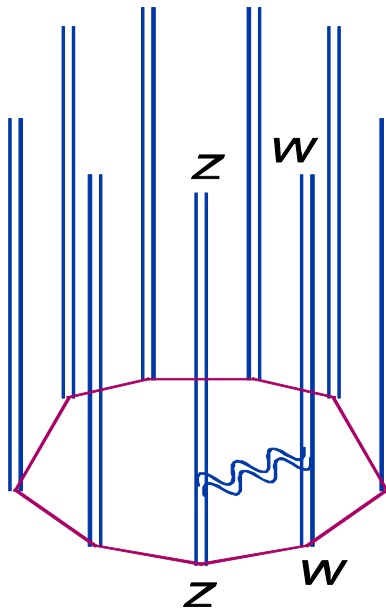
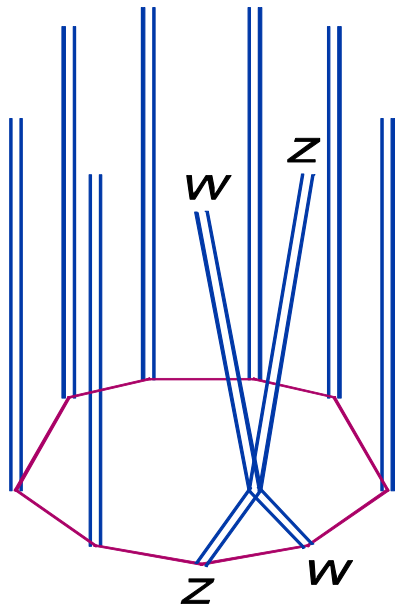


$\text{tr } ZZZZW WWZZZW WWZZZW WWZZWW$



Tree level: $\Delta=L$ (huge degeneracy)

One loop:



One loop dilatation operator:

$$D = L + \frac{\lambda}{16\pi^2} \sum_{l=1}^L (1 - \boldsymbol{\sigma}_l \cdot \boldsymbol{\sigma}_{l+1}) + O(\lambda^2)$$

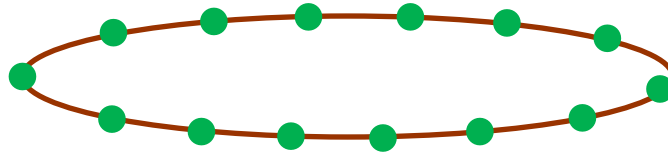
$$D |\mathcal{O}_n\rangle = \Delta_n |\mathcal{O}_n\rangle$$

$$\langle \mathcal{O}_n(x) \mathcal{O}_m(y) \rangle = \frac{\delta_{nm}}{|x - y|^{2\Delta_n}}$$

Heisenberg Hamiltonian

Integrability!

Generic scalar operators :



$$\mathcal{O} = \Psi^{i_1 \dots i_L} \text{tr} \Phi_{i_1} \dots \Phi_{i_L}$$

Bethe wavefunction of integrable SO(6) spin chain

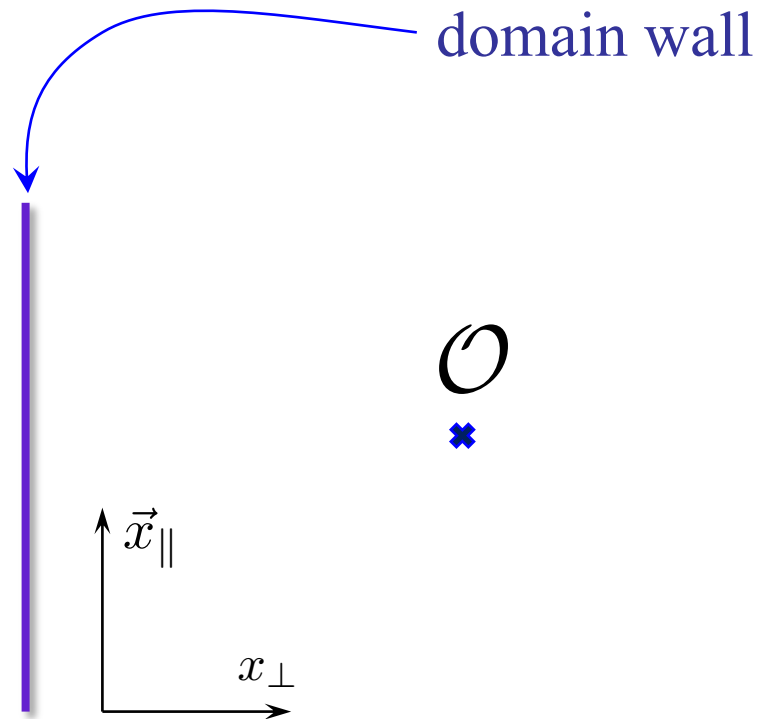
$$H = L + \frac{\lambda}{16\pi^2} \sum_{l=1}^L h_{l,l+1} \quad h_{i_1 i_2}^{j_1 j_2} = 2\delta_{i_1}^{j_1} \delta_{i_2}^{j_2} - 2\delta_{i_1}^{j_2} \delta_{i_2}^{j_1} + \delta_{i_1 i_2} \delta^{j_1 j_2}$$

Minahan, Z.'02

Arbitrary operators \blacktriangleright PSU(2,2|4) spin chain

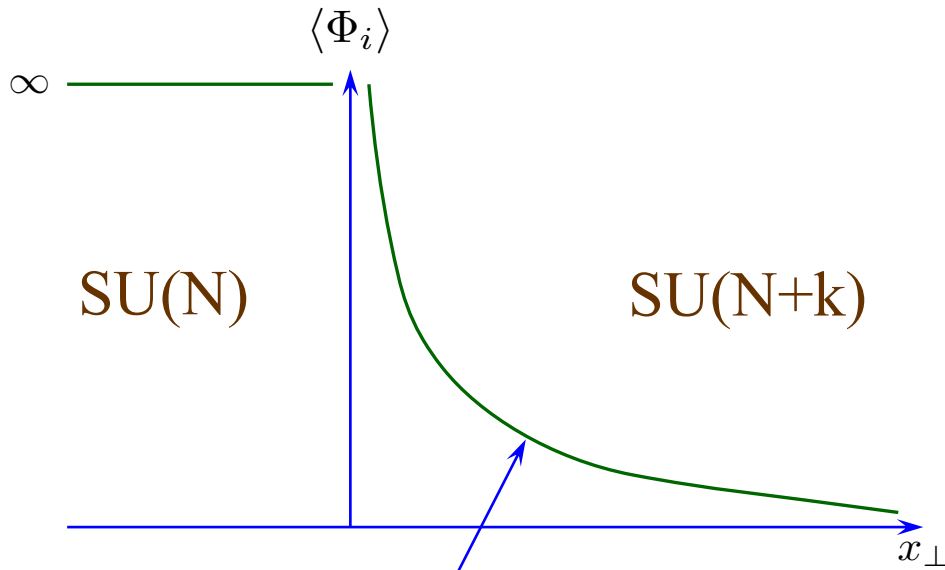
Beisert, Staudacher'03

Defect CFT & 1pt functions



$$\langle \mathcal{O}(x) \rangle = \frac{C}{x_{\perp}^{\Delta}}$$

Domain walls in N=4 SYM



$$\Phi_i^{\text{cl}} = \frac{1}{x_\perp} \begin{pmatrix} k & N \\ t_i & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{matrix} k \\ N \end{matrix}$$

Eqs. of motion:

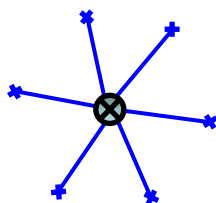
$$[t_i, t_j] = i\epsilon_{ijk} t_k \quad \blacksquare \text{ k-dim. rep. of } SU(2)$$

1pt functions

$$\mathcal{O} = \Psi^{i_1 \dots i_L} \text{tr} \Phi_{i_1} \dots \Phi_{i_L}$$



$$\langle \mathcal{O} \rangle = \Psi^{i_1 \dots i_L} \text{tr} \Phi_{i_1}^{\text{cl}} \dots \Phi_{i_L}^{\text{cl}} = \frac{C}{x_{\perp}^L}$$



$$C = \left(\frac{8\pi^2}{\lambda} \right)^{\frac{L}{2}} L^{-\frac{1}{2}} \frac{\langle \text{MPS} | \Psi \rangle}{\langle \Psi | \Psi \rangle^{\frac{1}{2}}}$$

Matrix product state: $\text{MPS}_{i_1 \dots i_L} = \text{tr} t_{i_1} \dots t_{i_L}$

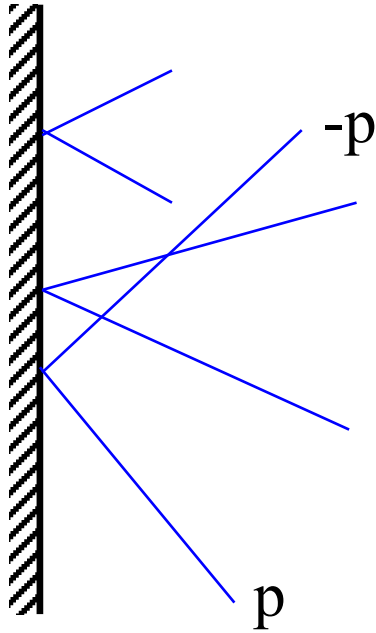
1pt function in BCFT \Leftrightarrow Overlap in spin chain

Integrable boundary states

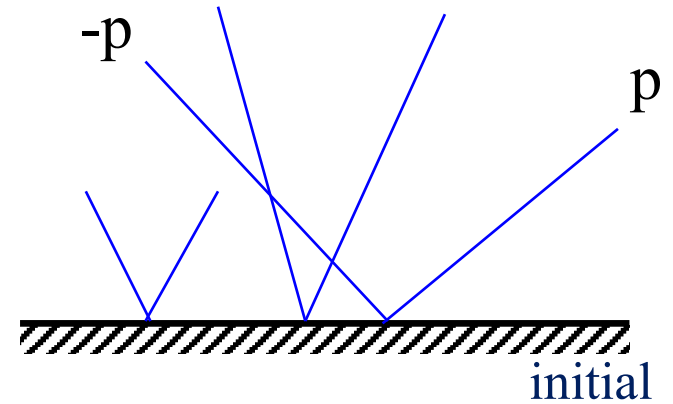
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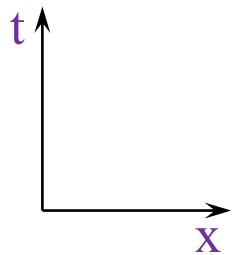
boundary
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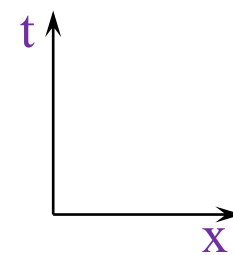
Wick
rotation



initial
state



pure reflection (no particle production)

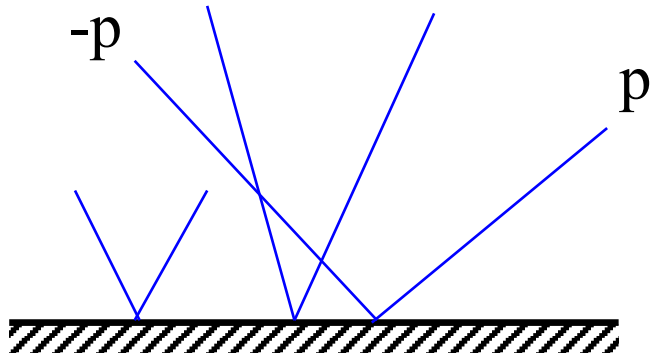


pair entanglement

Integrable boundary states (ctd)

Ghoshal, Zamolodchikov'93

Piroli, Pozsgay, Vernier'17



$$|B\rangle = \sum_N \int d^N p \Psi(p_i) |p_1, -p_1, \dots, p_N, -p_N\rangle$$

Def. of integrable boundary state:

$$Q_{2n+1} |B\rangle = 0$$

$$Q_1 = P, \dots$$

Piroli, Pozsgay, Vernier'17

all parity-odd charges

Is MPS integrable?

su(2) sector:

$$\begin{array}{l}
 Z = \Phi_1 + i\Phi_2 \\
 W = \Phi_3 + i\Phi_4
 \end{array}
 \begin{array}{c}
 \longleftrightarrow \\
 \longleftrightarrow
 \end{array}
 \begin{array}{c}
 \updownarrow \\
 \updownarrow
 \end{array}$$

$$\langle MPS | = \frac{1}{2} \text{tr} \prod_{l=1}^L \left(\langle \uparrow_l | \otimes \sigma_1 + \langle \downarrow_l | \otimes \sigma_2 \right) \quad (\text{for } k=2)$$

↑ ↑ ↓ ↓ ↑ ↑ ↑ ↓ ↑ ↓

$$\frac{1}{2} \text{tr} \sigma_1 \sigma_1 \sigma_2 \sigma_2 \sigma_1 \sigma_1 \sigma_1 \sigma_2 \sigma_1 \sigma_2 = 1, -1, \text{ or } 0$$

$$H = \begin{array}{c} | \\ | \\ - \\ \diagup \diagdown \end{array}$$

$$Q_3 = \begin{array}{c} \diagdown \diagup \\ \diagup \diagdown \end{array} - \begin{array}{c} \diagup \diagdown \\ \diagdown \diagup \end{array}$$

$$Q_3 \cdot \text{MPS}_{\dots ijk \dots} = \sigma_j \sigma_k \sigma_i - \sigma_k \sigma_i \sigma_j = 0$$

from $\{\sigma_i, \sigma_j\} = 2\delta_{ij}$

$\Rightarrow \text{MPS}_{k=2}$ is integrable

de Leeuw, Kristjansen, Z.'15

Works for any Q_{2n-1} , k , and beyond $\text{su}(2)$

de Leeuw, Kristjansen, Linardopoulos'18

MPS and Néel

de Leeuw, Kristjansen, Z.'15
Piroli, Pozsgay, Vernier'17

Define unitary transformation:

$$\begin{aligned} |\uparrow\rangle &\rightarrow |\uparrow\rangle + i|\downarrow\rangle \\ |\downarrow\rangle &\rightarrow |\downarrow\rangle - i|\uparrow\rangle \end{aligned}$$

then:

$$\begin{aligned} \langle \text{MPS} | &\rightarrow \frac{1}{2} \text{tr} \prod_{l=1}^L \left(\langle \uparrow_l | \otimes \sigma_- + \langle \downarrow_l | \otimes \sigma_+ \right) \\ &= \langle \uparrow \downarrow \uparrow \downarrow \dots | + \langle \downarrow \uparrow \downarrow \uparrow \dots | = \langle \text{Néel} | \end{aligned}$$

$$|\text{MPS}\rangle = W |\text{Néel}\rangle$$

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 global rotation by 90°

Néel state as integrable boundary state

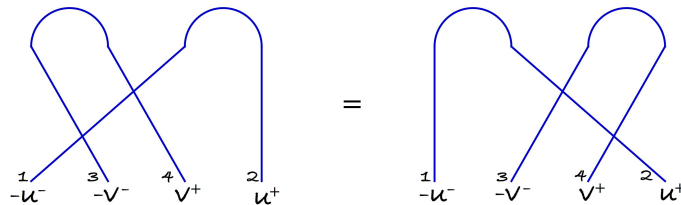
Generalized Néel states:

$$|\text{Néel}_M\rangle = \sum_{\substack{l_1 < \dots < l_M \\ |l_i - l_j| - \text{even}}} \left| \uparrow \dots \uparrow \downarrow \uparrow \dots \downarrow \dots \downarrow \dots \uparrow \right\rangle \quad |\text{Néel}\rangle = \left| \text{Néel}_{\frac{L}{2}} \right\rangle$$

Reflection matrix:

$$\langle K(u)| = \langle \uparrow \downarrow | (u^+ + \xi) + \langle \downarrow \uparrow | (u^+ - \xi) + \langle \uparrow \uparrow | \lambda u^+ \quad u^\pm = u \pm \frac{i}{2}$$

Cherednik'84
de Vega, Gonzalez-Ruiz'93



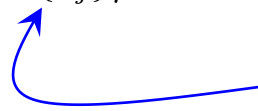
(reflection equation)

Sklyanin'88

$$\langle K(0)|^{\otimes \frac{L}{2}} \left|_{\xi=\frac{i}{2}} + \left|_{\xi=-\frac{i}{2}} = \sum_M i^M \left(\frac{i\lambda}{2} \right)^{\frac{L}{2}-M} \langle \text{Néel}_M |$$

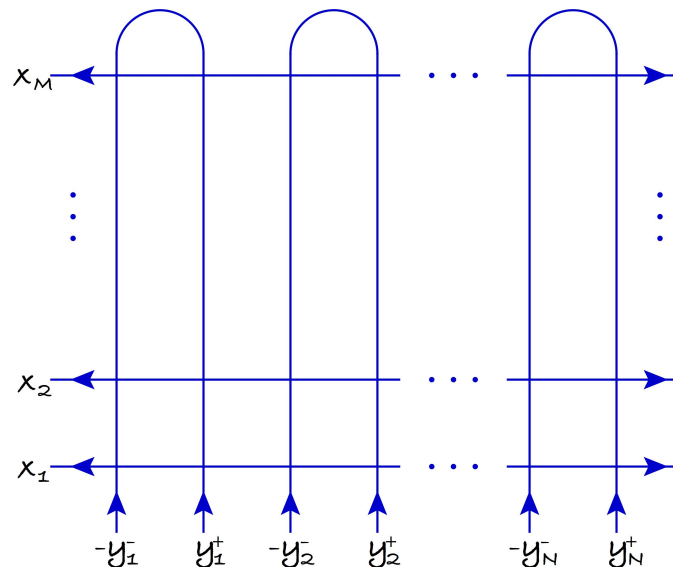
Overlaps

Interested in $\langle \text{MPS} | \Psi_{\{u_j\}} \rangle \propto \langle \text{Néel}_M | \Psi_{\{u_j\}} \rangle$

 arbitrary Bethe state

$$\langle K(u) |^{\otimes \frac{L}{2}} = \text{---} \cup \text{---} \cup \dots \cup \text{---}$$

$$\langle K(y_1) \dots K(y_N) | B(x_1) \dots B(x_M) | 0 \rangle =$$



Freezing trick \Rightarrow Recurrence relations \Rightarrow Determinant representation

Korepin'82; Izergin'87

Result:

$\langle \text{MPS} | \Psi_{\{u_j\}} \rangle$ **is non-zero only if** $\{u\} = \{u_j, -u_j\}_{j=1 \dots \frac{M}{2}}$

and is expressed in terms of Gaudin-like determinant

Gaudin norm:

$$\langle \Psi_{\{u_j\}} | \Psi_{\{u_j\}} \rangle \propto \det G \quad G_{ij} = \frac{\partial \ln \text{Bethe}_i}{\partial u_j}$$

Tsuchiya'98

Pozsgay'13

Brockmann, DeNardis, Wouters, Caux'14

Foda, Z.'15

For paired states:

$$G = \begin{matrix} & \{u_j\} & \{-u_j\} \\ \begin{pmatrix} A & B \\ B & A \end{pmatrix} & \{u_j\} \\ & \{-u_j\} \end{matrix}$$

$$\det \begin{pmatrix} A & B \\ B & A \end{pmatrix} = \det(A + B) \det(A - B)$$

Factorization of Gaudin determinant

$$\det G = \det G^+ \det G^-$$

$$K_{jk}^\pm = \frac{2}{1 + (u_j - u_k)^2} \pm \frac{2}{1 + (u_j + u_k)^2}$$

$$G_{jk}^\pm = \left(\frac{L}{u_j^2 + \frac{1}{4}} - \sum_n K_{jn}^+ \right) \delta_{jk} + K_{jk}^\pm$$

Overlap:

$$\frac{\langle \text{MPS} | \Psi_{\{u_j\}} \rangle}{\langle \Psi_{\{u_j\}} | \Psi_{\{u_j\}} \rangle^{\frac{1}{2}}} = 2^{1-\frac{L}{2}} \left(\frac{Q\left(\frac{i}{2}\right)}{Q(0)} \frac{\det G^+}{\det G^-} \right)^{\frac{1}{2}}$$

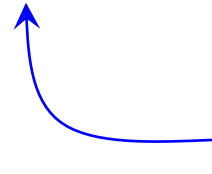
$$Q(u) = \prod_{j=1}^M (u - u_j)$$

Brockmann, DeNardis, Wouters, Caux'14

$$\langle \mathcal{O}(x) \rangle = \frac{1}{x_\perp^L} \left(\frac{8\pi^2}{\lambda} \right)^{\frac{L}{2}} L^{-\frac{1}{2}} \frac{\langle \text{MPS} | \Psi \rangle}{\langle \Psi | \Psi \rangle^{\frac{1}{2}}}$$

Higher representations

$$\text{MPS}_{i_1 \dots i_L} = \text{tr } t_{i_1} \dots t_{i_L}$$

 k-dim. rep. of $\mathfrak{su}(2)$

$$\langle \text{MPS}_k | \Psi_{\{u_j\}} \rangle = \langle \text{MPS}_2 | \Psi_{\{u_j\}} \rangle \sum_{j=-\frac{k-1}{2}}^{\frac{k-1}{2}} j^L \frac{Q(0) Q\left(\frac{ik}{2}\right)}{Q\left(i\left(j + \frac{1}{2}\right)\right) Q\left(i\left(j - \frac{1}{2}\right)\right)}$$

Buhl-Mortensen, de Leeuw, Kristjansen, Z.'15

 related to transfer matrix eigenvalue

Twisted spin chain

Widén'18

$$R_{al}(u) \rightarrow V_a^{-1} V_l^{-1} R_{al}(u) V_a V_l$$

V – arbitrary 2x2 matrix. Usually:

$$V = \begin{pmatrix} e^{\frac{i\varphi}{2}} & \\ & e^{-\frac{i\varphi}{2}} \end{pmatrix}$$

Only invariant reflection matrix can be twisted:

$$\langle K_{ab}(u) | V_a V_b = \langle K_{ab}(u) |$$

then $\langle K_{ab}(u) | V_a^2 V_b^{-2}$ solves reflection eqn.

$$\langle K(u) | = \langle \uparrow\downarrow | (u^+ + \xi) e^{i\varphi} + \langle \downarrow\uparrow | (u^+ - \xi) e^{-i\varphi} + \langle \uparrow\uparrow | \times 0$$

not allowed by twist

- (apparently) no determinant representation for $\langle \text{MPS} | \Psi_{\{u_j\}} \rangle$

Beyond su(2)

Nested Bethe ansatz:

$$\{u_{k,a}\} = \left\{ u_{j,a}, -u_{j,a} \right\}_{\substack{a=1 \dots \text{rank } G \\ j=1 \dots \frac{M_a}{2}}}$$

$$G_{ai,bj} = \frac{\partial \text{Bethe}_{ai}}{\partial u_{bj}}$$

$$\det G = \det G^+ \det G^-$$

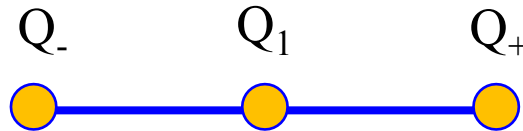
For $SO(6)$ in vector rep:

$$C_k^{SO(6)} = \sqrt{\frac{Q_1(0)Q_1(\frac{i}{2})Q_1(\frac{ik}{2})Q_1(\frac{ik}{2})}{\bar{Q}_+(0)\bar{Q}_+(\frac{i}{2})\bar{Q}_-(0)\bar{Q}_-(\frac{i}{2})}} \cdot \mathbb{T}_{k-1}(0) \cdot \sqrt{\frac{\det G_+}{\det G_-}} \quad (\text{conjectural})$$

$$\mathbb{T}_n(x) = \sum_{a=-\frac{n}{2}}^{\frac{n}{2}} (x+ia)^L \frac{Q_+(x+ia)Q_-(x+ia)}{Q_1(x+i(a+\frac{1}{2}))Q_1(x+i(a-\frac{1}{2}))}$$

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de Leeuw, Kristjansen, Mori'16



Group-theory interpretation of the prefactor?

For SL(2) spin chain:

$$\mathcal{O} = \sum_{s_1+\dots+s_L=S} \frac{1}{s_1! \dots s_L!} \Psi_{s_1 \dots s_L} \text{tr} D_+^{s_1} Z \dots D_+^{s_L} Z$$

$$\langle \mathcal{O} \rangle \propto \langle \text{MPS} | \Psi \rangle \equiv \sum_{s_1+\dots+s_L=S} \Psi_{s_1 \dots s_L}$$

- zero for any highest weight eigenstate

follows from a bCFT theorem

(tensor operators have trivial 1pt functions
in co-dimension 1 defect CFT),
no internal spin-chain proof

Open problems

- MPS for arbitrary symmetry group and general formula for nested BA
- Relation to Q-functions and Quantum Spectral Curve Gromov, Kazakov, Leurent, Volin'14
- Beyond 1-loop in SYM Buhl-Mortensen, de Leeuw, Ipsen, Kristjansen, Wilhelm'16'17
- Relation to string theory and σ -models
- What other boundary states are integrable?