

Deformations of the $AdS_5 \times S^5$ Superstring

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Introduction

The **AdS/CFT correspondence** relates strings on AdS spaces to (conformal) gauge theories [Maldacena'97]

Prototype

IIB string theory on $\text{AdS}_5 \times \text{S}^5 \iff \mathcal{N} = 4$ Super Yang-Mills

Under the correspondence

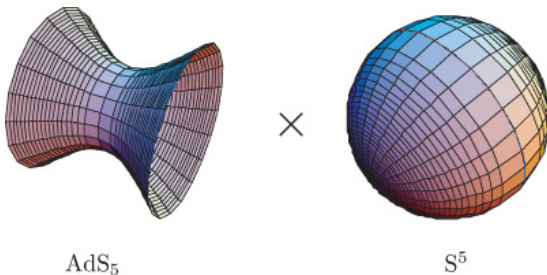
energy $E \iff \Delta$ conformal dimensions

Plan 1: compute spectra in planar limit, for arbitrary 't Hooft coupling λ

Plan 2: Extend discussion to less 'special' theories

The $AdS_5 \times S^5$ superstring

Closed string moving in $AdS_5 \times S^5$ background



$$\mathcal{L} = -\frac{g}{2} \left\{ \gamma^{\alpha\beta} G_{\mu\nu} \partial_\alpha X^\mu \partial_\beta X^\nu + \text{fermions} \right\}$$

- Under AdS/CFT $g \sim \sqrt{\lambda}$

Planar limit: zero string coupling \Rightarrow world sheet is cylinder

Introduction

Problem: Spectrum of QFT in finite volume.

Way around this, [integrability](#)

Integrable theories are exactly solvable. Symmetry plays an important role.

Guiding principle:

Symmetries & Integrability \Rightarrow Spectrum.

$\text{AdS}_5 \times S^5$ string hints at quantum integrability

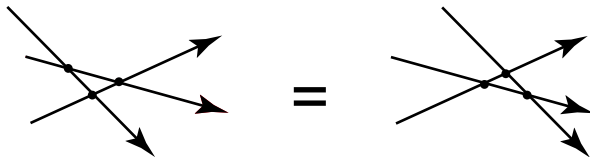
Top down approach

Assume quantum integrability and see where it leads

Integrability

Scattering for integrable theories

- no particle production/annihilation
- scattering permutes momenta
- any scattering process is a product of two-particle scattering processes
- two-particle S-matrix satisfies Yang-Baxter equation



Momenta are conserved and *all* scattering info in **two-particle S-matrix**

The $AdS_5 \times S^5$ superstring

Work in **light-cone gauge** [Arutyunov, Frolov '04], [Frolov, Plefka, Zamaklar '06]

- use AdS time t and S^5 equator-angle ϕ
- Conserved quantities $E = \int d\sigma p_t, J = \int d\sigma p_\phi$
- Hamiltonian $H = E - J$

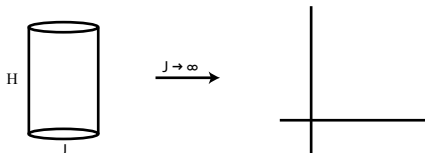
Remaining fields

- 4 **bosons** from AdS_5
- 4 **bosons** from S^5
- 8 **fermions**

Circumference of world-sheet is proportional to J

The $AdS_5 \times S^5$ superstring

Decompactification limit:



- Asymptotic states and S-matrices
- Symmetry $su(2|2)_{ce}^2$
- S-matrices give asymptotic spectrum via Bethe Ansatz

[Beisert, Staudacher '05]

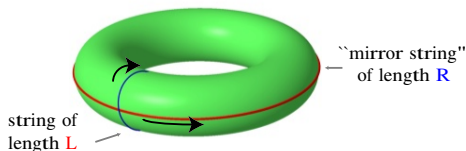
Problem: away from infinite volume?

TBA

An approach to finite size: **Thermodynamic Bethe Ansatz (TBA)**

TBA [Zamolodchikov '90]

- Define a mirror model [Arutyunov, Frolov '07]
- Finite size effects \Leftrightarrow finite temperature at **infinite** size



Bottom line: Asymptotics exact, *but* now **thermodynamics**.

Ingredients: Scattering data of all particles in spectrum

Symmetry algebra

Light-cone Hamiltonian has symmetry: $\mathfrak{su}(2|2)_{c.e.}^2$ [Arutyunov, Frolov,

Plefka, Zamaklar '06]

$\mathfrak{su}(2|2)_{c.e.}$ [Belsert '05]

$$[\mathbb{L}_a^b, \mathbb{J}_c] = \delta_c^b \mathbb{J}_a - \frac{1}{2} \delta_a^b \mathbb{J}_c$$

$$[\mathbb{L}_a^b, \mathbb{J}^c] = -\delta_a^c \mathbb{J}^b + \frac{1}{2} \delta_a^b \mathbb{J}^c$$

$$\{\mathbb{Q}_\alpha^a, \mathbb{Q}_\beta^b\} = \epsilon_{\alpha\beta} \epsilon^{ab} \mathbb{C}$$

$$\{\mathbb{Q}_\alpha^a, \mathbb{Q}_b^{\dagger\beta}\} = \delta_b^a \mathbb{R}_\alpha^\beta + \delta_\alpha^\beta \mathbb{L}_b^a + \frac{1}{2} \delta_b^a \delta_\alpha^\beta \mathbb{H}$$

$$[\mathbb{R}_\alpha^\beta, \mathbb{J}_\gamma] = \delta_\gamma^\beta \mathbb{J}_\alpha - \frac{1}{2} \delta_\alpha^\beta \mathbb{J}_\gamma$$

$$[\mathbb{R}_\alpha^\beta, \mathbb{J}^\gamma] = -\delta_\alpha^\gamma \mathbb{J}^\beta + \frac{1}{2} \delta_\alpha^\beta \mathbb{J}^\gamma$$

$$\{\mathbb{Q}_a^{\dagger\alpha}, \mathbb{Q}_b^{\dagger\beta}\} = \epsilon^{\alpha\beta} \epsilon_{ab} \mathbb{C}^\dagger$$

\mathbb{L}, \mathbb{R} generate bosonic $\mathfrak{su}(2) \oplus \mathfrak{su}(2)$

$\mathbb{Q}, \mathbb{Q}^\dagger$ are susy generators

$\mathbb{H}, \mathbb{C}, \mathbb{C}^\dagger$ are central elements

Symmetry algebra

Features

- The central element \mathbb{H} corresponds to the **light-cone Hamiltonian** \mathbb{H}
- The central elements $\mathbb{C}, \mathbb{C}^\dagger$ appear because of world-sheet momenta $\mathbb{C} \sim g(e^{iP} - 1)$
- Representations depend on p, g

The Hilbert space of states carries a representation of this algebra

The **S-matrix** should respect this symmetry

The S-Matrix [Beisert'05]

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

$$\frac{x^+}{x^-} = e^{iP}, \quad x^+ + \frac{1}{x^+} - x^- - \frac{1}{x^-} = \frac{2i}{g}$$

Bound state S-Matrices

Properties:

- Unitarity
- Crossing Symmetry [Janik '06]
- Yang-Baxter equation (YBE)

The scalar factor is also known [Arutyunov,Frolov,Staudacher'04]
[Beisert,Hernandez,Lopez '06]
[Beisert,Eden,Staudacher '06]

Similarly scattering data for all states can be found

[Arutyunov,MdL,Torrielli '09][Arutyunov,Frolov '09]

The Bethe Ansatz

NLSM

Example, the **Nonlinear Schrödinger model**

$$H = \int dx \partial\phi\partial\phi^* - c|\phi|^4$$

Number operator commutes with H ; restrict to 2 particles

Ansatz: separated plane waves with momenta k_1, k_2

$$|k_1, k_2\rangle_1 = \int dx_1 dx_2 \theta(x_1 < x_2) e^{ik_1 x_1} \phi^*(x_1) \phi^*(x_2) |0\rangle$$

and

$$|k_1, k_2\rangle_2 = \int dx_1 dx_2 \theta(x_2 < x_1) e^{ik_1 x_1} \phi^*(x_1) \phi^*(x_2) |0\rangle$$

Ansatz for eigenstate

$$|k_1, k_2\rangle = |k_1, k_2\rangle_1 + \mathcal{A} |k_1, k_2\rangle_2$$

NLSM

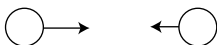
Explicit computation shows

$$H|k_1, k_2\rangle = (k_1^2 + k_2^2)|k_1, k_2\rangle$$

provided

$$\mathcal{A} = \frac{k_1 - k_2 - ic}{k_1 - k_2 + ic}$$

This is the S-matrix, $\mathcal{A} = \mathbb{S}$.



$$\theta(x_1 - x_2)e^{i(k_1 x_1 + k_2 x_2)}$$



$$\mathbb{S} \theta(x_2 - x_1)e^{i(k_1 x_1 + k_2 x_2)}$$

NLSM

Periodicity $\psi(x_1, x_2) = \psi(x_1 + L, x_2)$

Bethe equations (quantisation conditions)

$$e^{ik_i L} = \prod_{i \neq j} \mathbb{S}(k_i, k_j)$$

For systems with color

$$e^{ik_j L} = \mathbb{S}_{j+1,j} \mathbb{S}_{j+2,j} \cdots \mathbb{S}_{N,j} \mathbb{S}_{1,j} \mathbb{S}_{2,j} \cdots \mathbb{S}_{j-1,j}$$

Matrix equation \Rightarrow diagonalize in steps

- apply Bethe like Ansatz on color (nesting)

Twisted Boundary Conditions

One can also do quasi-periodic boundary conditions (flux)

$$\psi(x_1, x_2) = e^{i\phi} \psi(x_1 + L, x_2)$$

Bethe equations get modified

$$e^{j(k_j L + \phi)} = S_{j+1,j} S_{j+2,j} \dots S_{N,j} S_{1,j} S_{2,j} \dots S_{j-1,j}$$

Question:

What kind of twist are compatible with **integrable** structure?

Best answered in **Algebraic Bethe Ansatz** framework.

Algebraic Bethe Ansatz

Lax operator $L_{a,i}(\mathbf{q}, p_i)$ ($\sim S_{ai}$) acts on $V_a \otimes V_i$

$$V_a \otimes \underbrace{V_1 \otimes \dots \otimes V_K}_{\text{physical space}}$$

It satisfies fundamental commutation relations (\sim YBE)

$$S_{ab} L_{a,i} L_{b,i} = L_{b,i} L_{a,i} S_{ab}$$

Monodromy and Transfer matrix

$$\mathbb{T}(\mathbf{q}|\vec{p}) = L_{a,1} \dots L_{a,K}, \quad T(\mathbf{q}|\vec{p}) = \text{tr}_a \mathbb{T}$$

Generates family of conserved charges (FCR)

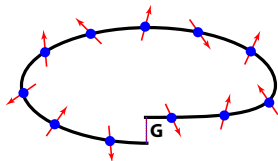
$$[T(\mathbf{q}), T(\mathbf{q}')] = 0, \quad H \sim \frac{d}{dq} \ln T$$

Algebraic Bethe Ansatz

Suppose S has a symmetry $[S, G \otimes G] = 0$

Twisted Transfer Matrix: $T^G = \text{tr}_a(G_a L_{a,1} \dots L_{a,K})$

G determines boundary conditions [Sklyanin '88]



Still defines commuting family of charges!

Integrable B.C. \Leftrightarrow Symmetries of S-matrix

Algebraic Bethe Ansatz

The symmetry of the $AdS_5 \times S^5$ superstring

$$G \in \underbrace{SU(2) \oplus SU(2)}_{AdS} \oplus \underbrace{SU(2) \oplus SU(2)}_S$$

W.l.o.g.

$$G = \text{diag}(e^{i\alpha}, e^{-i\alpha} | e^{i\dot{\alpha}}, e^{-i\dot{\alpha}} | e^{i\beta}, e^{-i\beta} | e^{i\dot{\beta}}, e^{-i\dot{\beta}})$$

Phase factors in Bethe equations and transfer matrix

Bethe equations

Twisted Bethe equations

$$1 = e^{i(\alpha + \dot{\alpha})} \left(\frac{x_k^+}{x_k^-} \right)^J \prod_{l \neq k}^{K^I} S_0(p_k, p_l)^2 \prod_{l=1}^{K^{II}} \frac{x_k^- - y_l}{x_k^+ - y_l} \sqrt{\frac{x_k^+}{x_k^-}} \prod_{l=1}^{K^{III}} \frac{x_k^- - \dot{y}_l}{x_k^+ - \dot{y}_l} \sqrt{\frac{x_k^+}{x_k^-}}$$

and they are supplemented by the auxiliary Bethe equations

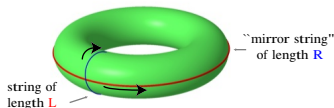
$$1 = e^{i(\beta - \alpha)} \prod_{l=1}^{K^I} \frac{y_k - x_l^+}{y_k - x_l^-} \sqrt{\frac{x_k^-}{x_k^+}} \prod_{l=1}^{K^{III}} \frac{y_k + \frac{1}{y_k} - w_l + \frac{i}{g}}{y_k + \frac{1}{y_k} - w_l - \frac{i}{g}}$$

$$1 = e^{-2i\beta} \prod_{l=1}^{K^{II}} \frac{w_k - y_k - \frac{1}{y_k} + \frac{i}{g}}{w_k - y_k - \frac{1}{y_k} - \frac{i}{g}} \prod_{l \neq k}^{K^{III}} \frac{w_k - w_l - \frac{2i}{g}}{w_k - w_l + \frac{2i}{g}}$$

where

$$x_k^+ + \frac{1}{x_k^+} - x_k^- - \frac{1}{x_k^-} = \frac{2i}{g}, \quad \frac{x_k^+}{x_k^-} = e^{ip_k}$$

Beyond leading order



Partition functions agree $Z = Z_{mir}$

Basic idea of TBA

Spectrum of original theory \Leftrightarrow thermodynamic quantities mirror model

Taking thermodynamic limit on Bethe equations \Rightarrow infinite set of coupled integral equations

Twisted TBA

TBA for deformed string models [(Arutyunov),MdL, v. Tongeren '10,'11,'12]

twists \Leftrightarrow chemical potential

Chemical potentials can be projected out

- Simplified TBA same for **all** deformations
- Y-system same for **all** deformations

Twists manifest themselves in

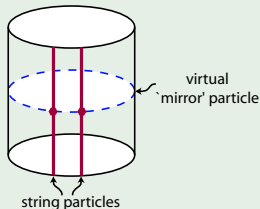
- Analytic behaviour
- Asymptotic solutions \Leftrightarrow twisted T^G .

TBA equations are the same, conditions on functions change

TBA and Lüscher

Lüscher's perturbative approach [Baknok,Janik'08]

- Corrections from virtual particles in compact direction



- Bound states go around

Naive formula is correct

$$E \sim \sum_Q \int dp e^{-J\mathcal{E}} \text{tr} S_{Q1} S_{Q2}$$

Recognise $T \Rightarrow T^G$

Susy-Breaking Deformations

Orbifolds

Consider strings in (super) space \mathcal{M} , action of discrete group Γ
Want to consider $\mathcal{M}/\Gamma \Rightarrow$

$$X \equiv hX$$

Project Hilbert space on **invariant** subspaces

Closed strings can close up to **group elements**

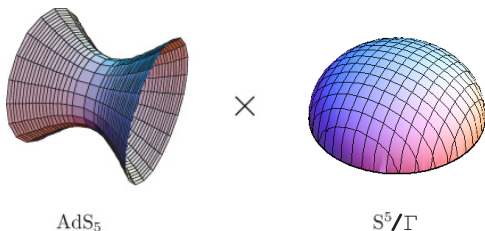
$$X(0, \tau) = g X(2\pi, \tau)$$

For such B.C. twisted sector H_g

For **non-Abelian** project onto conjugacy classes.

Orbifolds

We have $\mathcal{M} = \text{AdS}_5 \times S^5$ and take $\Gamma \subset SU(4) \rightarrow$ orbifold S^5



For simplicity we restrict $\Gamma = \mathbb{Z}_S$:

$$h = \text{diag}(e^{-2\pi i \frac{t_1}{S}}, e^{2\pi i \frac{t_1 - t_2}{S}}, e^{2\pi i \frac{t_2 - t_3}{S}}, e^{2\pi i \frac{t_3}{S}})$$

Parameters t_i from different $SU(2)$ s

Quasi-periodic B.C. $X(0, \tau) = e^{i\phi} X(2\pi, \tau)$

Orbifolds

Dual QFT

$\mathcal{N} = 4$ SYM with orbifolded R-symmetry

So susy is broken

$$\frac{\Gamma \subset}{\mathcal{N} =} \left\| \begin{array}{c|c|c} \text{SU}(2) & \text{SU}(3) & \text{SU}(4) \\ \hline 2 & 1 & 0 \end{array} \right\|$$

The action is unchanged. Operators

$$\text{tr}(\gamma D^n \Phi \dots)$$

Explicit twist follows from B.C.

$$\beta = \pi \frac{2t_1 - t_2}{S}$$

$$\dot{\beta} = \pi \frac{2t_3 - t_2}{S}$$

$$P = 2\pi \frac{t_2}{S}$$

Orbifolds

$$\mathcal{O} = \text{tr}(D^2 Z^2)$$

$$\text{BAE:} \quad e^{2ip} = S_0(p, -p)$$

Same as for Konishi (same multiplet in $\mathcal{N} = 4$) \rightarrow

$$E = 2 + 3g^2 - 3g^4 + \frac{21}{4}g^6 - g^8 \left[\frac{9\zeta(3)}{8} + \frac{705}{64} \right]$$

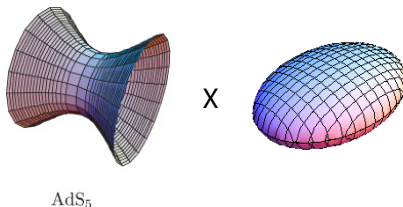
Only differs in finite size corrections

- $\mathcal{N} = 4$ gives $E_{f.s.} = \left[\frac{81}{64} + \frac{27\zeta(3)}{8} - \frac{45\zeta(5)}{8} \right] g^8$
- $\mathcal{N} = 1$ gives $E_{f.s.} = \frac{3}{8} \sin^2\left(\frac{\pi}{5}\right) g^6$
- $\mathcal{N} = 0$ gives $E_{f.s.} = -\frac{1}{3} \sin^4\left(\frac{\pi}{5}\right) g^4$

$\mathcal{N} = 2$ state is a bit special, but $E_{f.s.} \sim g^8$

TsT deformations

Deform background via TsT transformation [Lunin,Maldacena'05]



Can be mapped to $AdS_5 \times S^5$ with **twisted B.C.** [Alday,Arutyunov,Frolov '05]:

$$\phi_i(2\pi) = \phi_i(0) - \epsilon_{ijk} \gamma_j J_k$$

ϕ angles of S^5 and J corresponding angular momentum

γ -deformed

Dual field theory

$\mathcal{N} = 4$ SYM with modified superpotential

Twists:

$$\beta = \pi(\gamma_1(\mathcal{J}_2 - \mathcal{J}_3) + \mathcal{J}_1(\gamma_3 - \gamma_2))$$

$$\dot{\beta} = \pi(\mathcal{J}_1(\gamma_2 + \gamma_3) - \gamma_1(\mathcal{J}_2 + \mathcal{J}_3))$$

For $\gamma_1 = \gamma_2 = \gamma_3$ reduces to β -deformed theory.

- Explicit FT computations [Fiamberti, et al. 08,09] match nicely with twist approach [Ahn et al.10,11] [Gromov et al. 10] [Arutyunov et al. 10]

Ground state

Interesting: ground state $\mathcal{O} = \text{tr}(Z^J)$ **not** protected

$$E = \frac{(\cos \alpha - \cos \beta)(\cos \dot{\alpha} - \cos \dot{\beta})}{\sin \alpha \sin \dot{\alpha}} \frac{\Gamma(J - \frac{1}{2})}{2\sqrt{\pi}\Gamma(J)} \times \\ \times \left[\text{Li}_{2J-1} e^{i(\alpha + \dot{\alpha})} + \text{Li}_{2J-1} e^{-i(\alpha + \dot{\alpha})} - \text{Li}_{2J-1} e^{i(\alpha - \dot{\alpha})} - \text{Li}_{2J-1} e^{-i(\alpha - \dot{\alpha})} \right]$$

Curious divergency for $J = 2$

Conclusions

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- Spectrum of $AdS_5 \times S^5$ superstring from integrability
- Complete spectrum captured in TBA
- Techniques can be extended to deformations
- Twisted (T)BA describe spectrum of theories with less susy

Thank you