Scaling dimensions from the mirror TBA

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“Harmonic oscillator” of AdS/CFT:

\[ \mathcal{N} = 4 \ SU(N_c) \ SYM \quad \iff \quad \text{IIB strings in AdS}_5 \times S^5 \ \text{geometry} \]

YM coupling \( g_{YM} \quad \iff \quad \text{string coupling} \quad g_s = \frac{g_{YM}^2}{4\pi} \)

\'t Hooft coupling \( \lambda = g_{YM}^2 N_c \quad \iff \quad \text{String tension} \quad \frac{R^2}{2\pi \alpha'} = g = \frac{\sqrt{\lambda}}{2\pi} \)

SYM operators \quad \iff \quad \text{String states}

Scaling dimension \( \Delta(\lambda) \quad = \quad \text{String energy} \quad E(g) \)

Exact spectra of \( \mathcal{N} = 4 \ SYM \) and strings on \( \text{AdS}_5 \times S^5 \)
From sigma models to four-dimensional QFT

Non-linear Sigma Model in 2D

Quantum Field Theory in 4D

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  Metsaev, Tseytlin '98

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Anti-de Sitter space
Space of constant negative curvature

String energy $E$ is a conserved Noether charge corresponding to the $SO(2)$ subgroup of the conformal group $SO(4, 2)$.
$J$ is a conserved Noether charge corresponding to one of the Cartan generators of $SO(6)$.
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- To compute $E(g)$ and therefore $\Delta(g)$, one needs to solve the 2-dim quantum sigma model on a cylinder!

- String integrability is the key to the solution
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- Maximally supersymmetric gauge theory in 4dim:
  \[ A_\mu, \quad \Phi^i, \quad i = 1, \ldots, 6 \quad \text{and} \quad 4 \text{ Weyl fermions} \]

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Summary of the TBA approach

- Gauge Theory
- String Sigma Model
- Mirror Theory
- TBA

Connections:
- Gauge-String Correspondence
- Matsubara Transform
- Thermodynamic Limit
- Spectrum
String theory and N=4 SYM results

- Semi-classical strings
- L.c. strings in $AdS_5 \times S^5$
- Decompactification: $J \rightarrow \infty$
- Symmetry algebra
- Dispersion relations
- S-matrix
- Dressing factor and crossing eqs
- Bethe ansatz

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## Comparison chart

|                  | **Strings**                                                                 | **Mirrors**                                                                 |
|------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Dispersion relation | $\mathcal{E}_Q = \sqrt{Q^2 + 4g^2 \sin^2 \frac{p}{2}}$                      | $\tilde{\mathcal{E}}_Q = 2 \text{arcsinh} \left( \frac{1}{2g} \sqrt{Q^2 + \tilde{p}^2} \right)$ |
| Momentum         | $-\pi \leq p < \pi$                                                         | $-\infty < \tilde{p} < \infty$                                           |
| Type of theory   | Lattice model                                                                | Continuum model                                                            |
| Giant magnon     | Soliton in $R \times S^5$                                                     | Soliton in $\text{AdS}_5$                                                |
| Bound states     | Symmetric irrep $\text{su}(2)$ sector                                         | Antisymmetric irrep $\text{sl}(2)$ sector                                 |
| Physical region  | “Fish” (?)                                                                   | “Leaf” (?)                                                                |
| $S$ – matrix     | $S(z_1, z_2)$                                                                | $S(z_1 + \frac{\omega_2}{2}, z_2 + \frac{\omega_2}{2})$                  |
| Bethe – Yang eqs | BS; $P = 0$                                                                   | extra $\sqrt{x^+/x^-}$                                                    |
| Dressing factor  | $\sigma(1, 2)^* \sigma(1, 2) = 1$                                            | $\sigma(1, 2)^* \sigma(1, 2) = \frac{x_1^+}{x_1^-} \cdot \frac{x_2^-}{x_2^+}$ |
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$$Y^{(-)}_{Q|\tilde{w}}, Y^{(-)}_{Q|w}, Y^{(-)}_{+}, Y^{(-)}_{-}, Y_{Q}, Y^{(+)}_{+}, Y^{(+)}_{-}, Y^{(+)}_{Q|\tilde{w}}, Y^{(+)}_{Q|w}$$

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  Takahashi '72
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Excited states TBA and CDT

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\[ Q \text{-particles (sum over } \alpha = -, +): \]
\[
\log Y_Q = -L \tilde{\mathcal{E}}_Q + \log (1 + Y_M) * C_M (K_{MQ}^M + 2 s * K_{vwx}^{M-1}, Q) \\
+ \log(1 + Y_{1|vw}^{(\alpha)} \frac{C_{1|vw}(\alpha)}{s} K_{vQ} + \log(1 + Y_{Q-1|vw}^{(\alpha)} \frac{C_{Q-1|vw}(\alpha)}{s} s) \\
- \log \frac{1 - Y_{-}^{(\alpha)}}{1 - Y_{+}^{(\alpha)}} \frac{C_{\pm}(\alpha)}{s} K_{vwx}^1 + \log (1 - \frac{1}{Y^{(\alpha)}}) \frac{C_{+}(\alpha) K_{yQ}^y}{s} + \log (1 - \frac{1}{Y^{(\alpha)}}) \frac{C_{-}(\alpha) K_{yQ}^{yQ}}{s} \\
\]

\[ y \text{-particles: } \log \frac{Y_{+}^{(\alpha)}}{Y_{-}^{(\alpha)}} = \log(1 + Y_Q) * C_Q K_{Qy}, \]

\[ \log Y_{+}^{(\alpha)} Y_{-}^{(\alpha)} = 2 \log \frac{1 + Y_{1|vw}^{(\alpha)} \frac{C_{1|vw}(\alpha)}{s} \log (1 + Y_Q) * C_Q K_Q + 2 \log(1 + Y_Q) * C_Q K_{Q1}^Q * s \\
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\[ \text{Ground state energy } \]
\[ E = J - \frac{1}{2\pi} \sum_{Q=1}^{\infty} \int_{C_Q} d\tilde{p} \log(1 + Y_Q) \]

\[ \text{finite-size corr.} \]
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- TBA equations for excited states differ from each other only by a choice of the integration contour \( \Rightarrow \) contour deformation trick

- If \( Y(z_*) = -1 \) (or \( \infty \)) then taking the contour back to real mirror line produces driving term \(-\log S(z_*, z)\) from \( \log(1 + Y) \ast K \); \( K(w, z) = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \frac{d}{dw} \log S(w, z) \)

\[
\log(1 + Y) \ast K \quad \Rightarrow \quad \frac{1}{2\pi i} \oint_{z_*} \log(1 + Y(w)) \frac{d}{dw} \log S(w, z) =
\]

\[
= -\frac{1}{2\pi i} \oint_{z_*} \frac{d}{dw} \log(w - z_*) \log S(w, z) = -\log S(z_*, z)
\]

new driving term
The spectrum of excited states

\[ E = J + \sum_{k=1}^{N} \varepsilon(p_k) - \frac{1}{2\pi} \sum_{Q=1}^{\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} d\tilde{\rho} \log(1 + Y_Q) \]

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The EBE work fine for \textit{real} \( p_k \).
Do they need a modification for \textit{complex} ones?
Bajnok-Janik asymptotic solution (large $J$ or small $g$ and finite $J$)

- Generalized Lüscher formulae give the large $J$ asymptotic solution \( \text{Bajnok, Janik '08} \)

\[
Y_Q^0(v) = \Upsilon_Q(v) T_{Q, -1}(v | \bar{u}) T_{Q, 1}(v | \bar{u})
\]

\[
\Upsilon_Q(v) = e^{-J\tilde{E}_Q(v)} \prod_{i=1}^{N} S_{s\mathfrak{l}(2)}^{Q1_1}(v, u_i) \quad \leftarrow \text{exp suppressed}
\]

- \( T_{Q, 1} \) is an eigenvalue of a properly normalized \( su(2|2)_C \) transfer matrix

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conjectured by \( \text{Beisert '06} \) and derived by \( \text{Arutyunov, de Leeuw, Suzuki, Torrieli '09} \)

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\[
T_{1_1, \pm 1}(u_k | \bar{u}) = 1 \implies -1 = e^{i Jp_k} \prod_{j=1}^{N} S_{s\mathfrak{l}(2)}^{1_1 1_1}(u_k, u_j)
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Known excited state TBA equations

Almost all states are from the \textit{sl}(2) sector

\[
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- Canonical TBA eqs for two-particle Konishi-like states, \(\lambda < \lambda_{\text{cr}}\)
  
  Gromov, Kazakov, Kozak, Vieira '09v3;

- Hybrid, simplified and canonical TBA eqs for arbitrary two-particle states
  
  Arutyunov, Frolov, Suzuki '09;

- Hybrid TBA eqs for twist-2 \(N\)-particle lightest state, \(\lambda < \lambda_{\text{cr}}\)
  
  Balog, Hegedus '10;

- TBA eqs for a subsector of the \textit{sl}(2) sector, \(\lambda < \lambda_{\text{cr}}\)
  
  Balog, Hegedus '11;

- TBA eqs for the two states not from the \textit{sl}(2) sector which are degenerate asymptotically, \(\lambda < \lambda_{\text{cr}}\)
  
  Sfondrini, van Tongeren. '11;
Two-particle states in perturbation theory

- dual to spin-2 operators
  \[ \text{Tr}(Z^{J-1}D^2Z), \quad \text{Tr}(Z^{k-2}DZ Z^{J-k}DZ) \]

- Log of the BY equation for two-particle states with \( p_1 + p_2 = 0 \)
  \[ ip(J + 1) - \log \left( 1 + \frac{1}{x^2} \right) - 2i \theta(p, -p) = 2\pi i n, \quad n > 0 \]
  dressing phase

- At \( g \to 0 \) the momentum is
  \[ p_{J,n}^o = \frac{2\pi n}{J + 1}, \quad n = 1, \ldots, \left[ \frac{J + 1}{2} \right] \]

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Types of states

At $g \sim 0$ the following classification of two-particle states in the $\mathfrak{sl}(2)$-sector takes place.

| Type of a state | Y-functions | Number of zeros |
|-----------------|-------------|-----------------|
| I               | $Y_{1\mid vw}$ | 2               |
| II              | $Y_{1\mid vw}, Y_{2\mid vw}$ | 2+2              |
| III             | $Y_{1\mid vw}, Y_{2\mid vw}, Y_{3\mid vw}$ | 4+2+2            |
| IV              | $Y_{1\mid vw}, Y_{2\mid vw}, Y_{3\mid vw}, Y_{4\mid vw}$ | 4+4+2+2         |
| $\vdots$        | $\vdots$    | $\vdots$        |
| $k \rightarrow \infty$ | $Y_{1\mid vw}, Y_{2\mid vw}, \ldots$ | 4+4+ $\ldots$ |

Type of a state depends on how many $Y_{vw}$-functions have zeroes in the rescaled analyticity strip $|\text{Im}(u)| < 1$
### Evolution of asymptotic Y-functions

| Initial cond. $\rightarrow$ | $Y_1|_{vw}$, $Y_2|_{vw}$ | $g \downarrow$ | $Y_1|_{vw}$, $Y_2|_{vw}$, $Y_3|_{vw}$ | $Y_1|_{vw}$, $Y_2|_{vw}$, $Y_3|_{vw}$, $Y_4|_{vw}$ | $Y_1|_{vw}$, $Y_2|_{vw}$, $Y_3|_{vw}$, $Y_4|_{vw}$, $Y_5|_{vw}$ | $\vdots$ | $Y_1|_{vw}$, $Y_2|_{vw}$, $\ldots$ | $g \downarrow$ | $Y_1|_{vw}$, $Y_2|_{vw}$, $\ldots$ |
|-----------------------------|--------------------------|----------------|-----------------------------------|---------------------------------|-----------------------------------|----------------|-----------------|----------------|----------------|
| $2+2$                       | $4+2+2$                  | $4+4+2+2$      | $4+4+4+2+2$                      | $4+4+4+2+2$                     | $\vdots$                           | $4+4+$         | $\ldots$        | $\vdots$        | $\ldots$       |

The change of analytic properties of $Y$’s in the analyticity strip changes the TBA equations. This leads to the issue of critical values of the coupling.
Strong coupling expansion

\[ E_{(J,n)}(\lambda) = c_{-1} \frac{4}{\sqrt{n^2 \lambda}} + c_0 + \frac{c_1}{\sqrt{n^2 \lambda}} + \frac{c_2}{(n^2 \lambda)^{3/4}} + \frac{c_3}{n^2 \lambda} + \frac{c_4}{(n^2 \lambda)^{5/4}} + \cdots \]

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TBA eqs were solved numerically up to \( g = 7.2 \) (\( \lambda \approx 2047 \))

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J=4, n=1 state

\[ E_{(4,1)}(g) - 2\lambda^{1/4} \]

dots – numerics minus 2 \( \frac{4}{\sqrt{\lambda}} \),
red – \( E_{\text{asym}} - 2\frac{4}{\sqrt{\lambda}} \),

Asymptotic estimate:
\[ g_{\text{cr}}^{\text{asym}} \approx 1.77, \quad g_{\text{subcr}}^{\text{asym}} \approx 2.13 \]

Numerics: \( g_{\text{cr}} \approx 1.85 \)
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- $c_1^{\text{asym}}(J,n) = \frac{J^2}{4} + \frac{1}{2}$ from BYE and free fermions
  \hspace{1cm} \text{Arutyunov, Frolov '05}

- From TBA
  
  - $c_2(2,1) \approx 0, \ c_1(2,1) \approx 2 \Rightarrow c_1(J,1) = \frac{J^2}{4} + 1$
  
  - If $c_2(3,1) = c_2(4,1) = 0$, then
    
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  - $c_2 \approx 0, \ c_1(4,2) \approx 5, \ c_1(5,2) \approx \frac{29}{4} \Rightarrow c_1(J,2) = \frac{J^2}{4} + 1$

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    $c_1(6,3) \approx 9, \ c_1(7,3) \approx \frac{49}{4} \Rightarrow c_1(J,3) = \frac{J^2}{4}$

- $c_1^{\text{exact}}(J,n) = \frac{J^2}{4} + c(n)$ $$$, e.g. c(n) = n(3-n)/2$
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| 1. Quantum integrability of l.c. string theory and its mirror | Beisert '05; Arutyunov, Frolov, Plefka, Zamaklar '06 |
| 2. Symmetry algebra of l.c. string theory and its mirror in the decompactification limit | Beisert, Eden, Staudacher '06 |
| 3. BES dressing factor | Bajnok, Janik '08 |
| 4. Bajnok-Janik asymptotic solution | Arutyunov, Frolov '09 |
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