



# Exact tachyon spectrum in AdS/CFT

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 $(mass)^2 > 0$ 



 $(mass)^2 < 0$ 

### Brane-antibrane system

D-brane & D-antibrane  $(D-\overline{D})$  system in the flat spacetime is an example of unstable state in string theory



D-brane & D-antibrane and open strings in between in the curved spacetime (AdS $_5 \times S^5$ ) are less well-understood



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Superstring theoryStack ofon  $AdS_5 \times S^5$ N D3-branes

 $\mathcal{N}=4$  4dim SU(N) super Yang-Mills

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Hope: demonstrate the duality using integrability

### Integrability Predictions

The spectral problem at large N is now "solvable" through (Asymptotic/Thermodynamic) Bethe Ansatz

 $E_{ ext{string}}(\lambda) \stackrel{\sim}{\longleftarrow} E_{ ext{ABA}}(\lambda) ext{ or } E_{ ext{TBA}}(\lambda) \stackrel{\sim}{\longrightarrow} \Delta_{ ext{SYM}}(\lambda)$ 

We want to solve TBA; i.e. obtain  $E_{\text{TBA}}(\lambda)$ 



### To do

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We propose BTBA equations

(Boundary Thermodynamic Bethe Ansatz)

and solve them numerically

 $\mathcal{O}_{Y,\overline{Y}}[V,W] \sim \epsilon^{i_1 \cdots i_N} \epsilon_{j_1 \cdots j_N} \epsilon^{k_1 \cdots k_N} \epsilon_{l_1 \cdots l_N} Y_{i_1}^{j_1} \cdots Y_{i_{N-1}}^{j_{N-1}} V_{i_N}^{l_N} \overline{Y}_{k_1}^{l_1} \cdots \overline{Y}_{k_{N-1}}^{l_{N-1}} W_{k_N}^{j_N}$ 

However, the DDbar system should contain open tachyons. Indeed, integrability method *apparently* predicts singularity

cf. closed tachyons and non-conformality, [Dymarsky, Klebanov, Roiban] hep-th/0509132 [Fokken, Sieg, Wilhelm] 1308.4420 cf. examples of a singular TBA energy [Frolov, RS] 0906.0499 [de Leeuw, van Tongeren] 1201.1451

### Plan of Talk

- - $\checkmark$  Introduction
  - Integrability and AdS/CFT
  - Determinants and giant-gravitons
  - BTBA equations and energy bound
  - Summary and outlook

### Integrability and AdS/CFT

#### What is integrability?

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#### Integrability in string theory

The integrability method is an alternative to the RNS formalism when the background spacetime contains D-branes.

#### Integrability in the $\sigma\text{-model}$ on $AdS_5 \, x \, S^5$

String theory reduces to a 2d  $\sigma$ -model at small  $g_s$  and large N

Ramond-Neveu-Schwarz formalism (worldsheet susy manifest)

✓ Green-Schwarz formalism (spacetime susy manifest)

$$S_{
m GS} = -rac{\sqrt{\lambda}}{4\pi}\int d^2\sigma\, G_{MN}\,\partial Z^M\partial Z^N + \ldots, \quad Z^M = (x^m, heta_lpha^I)$$

On AdS<sub>5</sub>×S<sup>5</sup>, GS action has the susy completion as a supercoset  $\sigma$ -model

$$ext{AdS}_5 imes ext{S}^5 + ext{fermions} = rac{PSU(2,2|4)}{SO(4,1) imes SO(5)} ~ \curvearrowleft ~ \mathbb{Z}_4$$

$$S_{
m coset} = -rac{\sqrt{\lambda}}{4\pi}\int d^2\sigma\,{
m Str}\left[\gamma^{lphaeta}A^{(2)}_{lpha}A^{(2)}_{eta}\pm\epsilon^{lphaeta}A^{(1)}_{lpha}A^{(3)}_{eta}
ight]$$

 $\mathfrak{g}\in SU(2,2|4), \quad A=-\mathfrak{g}^{-1}d\mathfrak{g}=A^{(0)}+A^{(1)}+A^{(2)}+A^{(3)},$ 

[Metsaev Tseytlin] (1998)

#### Integrability in the $\sigma\text{-model}$ on $AdS_5\,x\,S^5$

The supercoset σ-model is classically integrable; We determine the (asymptotic) spectrum via the S-matrix bootstrap assuming quantum integrability

- First, break worldsheet conformal symmetry by a gauge choice (worldsheet circumference = string angular momentum on S<sup>5</sup>)
- Second, take the large-volume (asymptotic) limit;

we can define asymptotic states and their worldsheet S-matrix



[Bena Polchinski Roiban] (2003) [Hofman Maldacena] (2006) and others

### $\mathcal{N}=4$ SU(N) Super Yang-Mills

 $S_{ ext{bare}}^{\mathcal{N}=4} = rac{1}{g_{ ext{YM}}^2} \int d^4x \operatorname{Tr}\left[rac{1}{4}F_{\mu
u}F^{\mu
u} + rac{1}{2}D_\mu\Phi_m D^\mu\Phi_m - rac{1}{4}[\Phi_m,\Phi_n]^2 + ext{fermions}
ight]$ 

As a SCFT, an interesting local observable of  $\mathcal{N}=4$  SYM is the anomalous dimension of gauge-invariant (single-trace) non-BPS operators  $\langle \mathcal{O}_a(x)\mathcal{O}_b(0)\rangle = \frac{Z_{ab}}{|x|^{2\Delta_0}} \rightarrow \langle \mathcal{O}_{a'}(x)\mathcal{O}_{b'}(0)\rangle = \frac{\delta_{a'b'}}{|x|^{2\Delta_{a'}}}, \quad \Delta_{a'} = \Delta_0 + \gamma_{a'}$ Scaling transformation:  $(x, \Lambda_{\rm UV}) \rightarrow (\lambda x, \lambda^{-1}\Lambda_{\rm UV}), \quad Z(\Lambda_{\rm UV}) \rightarrow \lambda^{-\gamma} Z(\Lambda_{\rm UV})$ 

The one-loop dilatation operator in the scalar sector is

 $\mathcal{D}_{1 ext{-loop}} = rac{dZ}{d\log\Lambda_{ ext{UV}}} \, Z^{-1} = rac{-\lambda}{16\pi^2 N} \left( ext{tr} : \left[ \Phi_m, \Phi_n 
ight] \left[ \check{\Phi}_m, \check{\Phi}_n 
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ight]^2 : 
ight)$ 

This produces the operator mixing through algebraic rules of  $\Phi$ ,  $\Phi$ -check's  $\operatorname{tr}(A \check{\Phi}_m B \Phi_n) = \delta_{mn} \operatorname{tr} A \operatorname{tr} B$ ,  $\operatorname{tr}(A \check{\Phi}_m) \operatorname{tr}(\Phi_n B) = \delta_{mn} \operatorname{tr}(A B)$ 

[Minahan Zarembo (2002)] [Beisert Kristjansen Staudacher (2003)]

### $\mathcal{N}=4$ SYM and spin chain

In the large N limit, the  $\mathcal{N}$ =4 SYM dilatation operator reduces to the Hamiltonian of an integrable spin chain tr  $Z^L$  (half-BPS operator) = Spin-chain ground state

$$\mathcal{D}_{1\text{-loop}} = \frac{-\lambda}{16\pi^2 N} \left( \text{tr} : [\Phi_m, \Phi_n] \left[ \check{\Phi}_m, \check{\Phi}_n \right] : + \frac{1}{2} \text{tr} : \left[ \Phi_m, \check{\Phi}_n \right]^2 : \right)$$

$$\mathcal{D}_{1\text{-loop}} \Big|_L = \frac{\lambda}{16\pi^2} \sum_{l=1}^L \left( 2 - 2P_{l,l+1} + K_{l,l+1} \right) \Big|, \qquad \begin{cases} P_{l,l+1} &= \delta_{m_l}^{n_{l+1}} \delta_{m_{l+1}}^{n_l} \\ K_{l,l+1} &= \delta_{m_l,m_{l+1}} \delta^{n_l,n_{l+1}} \end{cases}$$
Can be diagonalized by Bethe Ansatz
$$\vec{Y} = \vec{\Phi}_5 + i\Phi_6$$

$$Y = \Phi_3 + i\Phi_4$$

### $\mathcal{N}=4$ SYM and spin chain

- Symmetry almost determines the dispersion and S-matrix, and allows us to propose all-loop (asymptotic) Bethe Ansatz
- Global symmetry of  $\mathcal{N}=4$  SYM =  $\mathfrak{psu}(2,2|4)$
- The choice of vacuum as tr  $Z^L$  breaks it to  $\mathfrak{psu}(2|2)^2 \times \mathbb{R}$  $\mathfrak{psu}(2,2|4) \rightarrow \mathfrak{psu}(2|2)^2 \ltimes \mathbb{R} \sim (E = \Delta, S_1, S_2, J_1, J_2, L)$
- The residual global symmetry enhances to  $\mathfrak{psu}(2|2)^2 \times \mathbb{R}^3 = \mathfrak{su}(2|2)^2 \times \mathbb{R}$  in the asymptotic limit  $\operatorname{tr}(Z^{L-m}\chi Z^m) \to (\dots ZZ \dots Z\chi Z \dots ZZ \dots)$  $\mathfrak{psu}(2|2)^2 \ltimes \mathbb{R} \to \mathfrak{psu}(2|2)^2 \ltimes \mathbb{R}^3 = \mathfrak{su}(2|2)^2 \ltimes \mathbb{R}$

### Finite L spectrum

The large L (but finite) spectrum is governed by transfer matrix



$$T_a(qert ec p) \equiv (\mathrm{s}) \mathrm{tr}_{V_a} \Big[ \mathbb{S}_{a1}(q,p_1) \cdots \mathbb{S}_{aN}(q,p_N) \Big]$$

**Yang-Baxter relation for integrable S-matrices**  $\Rightarrow$   $[T_a(q_a|\vec{p}), T_b(q_b|\vec{p})] = 0$ 

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By taking q as the "mirror" momentum of virtual excitations, we obtain the Lüscher formula



 $(\mathcal{E}_Q, p_Q) = (-i\widetilde{p}_Q, -i\widetilde{\mathcal{E}}_Q), \quad \widetilde{\mathcal{E}}_Q = 2 \mathrm{arcsinh}\left(\sqrt{Q^2 + \widetilde{p}_Q^2}/(2g)
ight)$ 

#### Determinants and giant-gravitons

Spherical Maximal Giant Gravitons (SMGG's) Giant graviton = Half-BPS, D3-brane solution on  $AdS_5 \times S^5$ carrying a large angular momentum L = O(N)Spherical  $\Leftrightarrow$  "wrap" on  $S^3 \subset S^5$ bound on the angular momentum  $L \leq N$ Maximal  $\Leftrightarrow$  L = N

> SMGG's are classified by the choice:  $S^3 \subset S^5 = \{|X|^2 + |Y|^2 + |Z|^2 = R_{sphere}^2\}$ X = 0 or Y = 0 or Z = 0 ···

 $\overline{Y} = 0$  brane  $\Leftrightarrow$  Carrying negative angular momentum compared to Y = 0

[McGreevy, Susskind, Toumbas (2000)]

#### Giant graviton is determinant

SMGG's are dual to determinants

$$\det \Phi^N = \epsilon^{i_1 \cdots i_N} \epsilon_{j_1 \cdots j_N} \Phi^{j_1}_{i_1} \cdots \Phi^{j_N}_{i_N}$$

Open strings on the Y=0 brane are dual to det-like operator

$$\det (Y^{N-1}V) = \epsilon^{i_1 \cdots i_N} \epsilon_{j_1 \cdots j_N} Y_{i_1}^{j_1} \cdots Y_{i_{N-1}}^{j_{N-1}} V_{i_N}^{j_N}$$

A pair of open strings on Y=0 and Ybar=0 should be dual to:  $\mathcal{O}_{Y,\overline{Y}}[V,W] \sim \epsilon^{i_1 \cdots i_N} \epsilon_{j_1 \cdots j_N} \epsilon^{k_1 \cdots k_N} \epsilon_{l_1 \cdots l_N} Y_{i_1}^{j_1} \cdots Y_{i_{N-1}}^{j_{N-1}} V_{i_N}^{l_N} \overline{Y}_{k_1}^{l_1} \cdots \overline{Y}_{k_{N-1}}^{l_{N-1}} W_{k_N}^{j_N}$ 

[Balasubramanian, Berkooz, Naqvi, Strassler (2001)] [Balasubramanian, Huang, Levi, Naqvi (2002)]

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**Y=0 brane:** 
$$\epsilon^{i_1 \cdots i_N} \epsilon_{j_1 \cdots j_N} Y_{i_1}^{j_1} \cdots Y_{i_{N-1}}^{j_{N-1}} (ZZ \dots ZZ)_{i_N}^{j_N}$$

Dilatation operator = Open spin chain Hamiltonian

(discussed later)

- Ground state  $(ZZ...ZZ) \sim |0
  angle$
- One-particle state

$$\sum_{x} e^{ipx}(Z \dots Z \chi Z \dots Z) ~~ \sim ~~ A^{\dagger}_{\chi}(p) \ket{0}$$

• Two-particle state

$$\sum_{x < x'} e^{ip_1 x + ip_2 x'} (Z \dots Z \chi Z Z \chi' Z \dots Z) \quad \sim \quad A_{\chi}^{\dagger}(p_1) A_{\chi}^{\dagger}(p_2) \ket{0}$$

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The Y=0 preserves the symmetry psu(1|2)<sup>2</sup> which determines the reflection matrix, a solution of the boundary Yang-Baxter relation

 $\mathbb{S}(-p_2,-p_1)\mathbb{R}_Y(p_1)\mathbb{S}(p_1,-p_2)\mathbb{R}_Y(p_2) = \mathbb{R}_Y(p_2)\mathbb{S}(p_2,-p_1)\mathbb{R}_Y(p_1)\mathbb{S}(p_1,p_2)$ 

$$\mathbb{R}^-_Y(p) = R^-_0(p)^2 egin{pmatrix} e^{-ip/2} & & \ & -e^{ip/2} & \ & & 1 & \ & & & 1 & \ & & & & 1 \end{pmatrix}^{\otimes 2}$$

 $R_0^-(p)^2 = -e^{-ip} \, \sigma(p,-p)$  obeys boundary crossing relation

[Hofman, Maldacena (2007)] [Chen, Correa (2007)] [Dekel, Oz (2011)]

### The $Y_{\theta}$ =0 boundary condition

New reflection amplitudes can be found by rotating  $R_Y$ 

- $\mathcal{N}=4$  SYM: Field redefinition:  $\det Y^N \to \det \left(Y\cos\theta + \overline{Y}\sin\theta\right)^N$
- Integrable system:

$$\begin{array}{l} \text{Rotation } T: \begin{pmatrix} 1\\2 \end{pmatrix} \to \begin{pmatrix} \cos\theta & \sin\theta\\ -\sin\theta & \cos\theta \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1\\2 \end{pmatrix}, \quad \text{same for } (\dot{1},\dot{2}) \\ \\ \mathbb{R}_{\theta}^{-}(p) \equiv TR_{Y}^{-}T^{-1} = R_{0}^{-}(p)^{2} \begin{pmatrix} \cos^{2}\theta e^{-ip/2} - \sin^{2}\theta e^{ip/2} & \sin\theta\cos\theta \left(e^{-ip/2} + e^{ip/2}\right) \\ \sin\theta\cos\theta \left(e^{-ip/2} + e^{ip/2}\right) & \sin^{2}\theta e^{-ip/2} - \cos^{2}\theta e^{ip/2} \\ & 1 \end{pmatrix}^{\otimes 2} \\ \end{array}$$

• $oldsymbol{R}_{ heta}$  still solves boundary Yang-Baxter relation!

 $\mathbb{S}(-p_2,-p_1) \mathbb{R}(p_1) \mathbb{S}(p_1,-p_2) \mathbb{R}(p_2) = \mathbb{R}(p_2) \mathbb{S}(p_2,-p_1) \mathbb{R}(p_1) \mathbb{S}(p_1,p_2)$ 

#### • $\theta = \pi/2$ corresponds to the Ybar=0 brane

Asymptotic Bethe Ansatz (and Lüscher formula, etc) can be generalized to boundary integrable models

#### Dilatation on det-like operators

One-loop dilatation operator acting on the Y=0 det-like operators = Hamiltonian of an integrable open spin-chain

$$\mathcal{O}_{Y,Y}[V] = \epsilon^{i_1 \dots i_N} \epsilon_{j_1 \dots j_N} Y_{i_1}^{j_1} \dots Y_{i_{N-1}}^{j_{N-1}} V_{i_N}^{j_N}, \quad V \sim Z^L$$
$$\mathcal{D}_{1\text{-loop}} = \frac{\lambda}{8\pi^2} Q_1^Y Q_L^Y \left[ \sum_{l=1}^{L-1} \left( I_{l,l+1} - P_{l,l+1} + \frac{1}{2} K_{l,l+1} \right) + (1 - Q_1^Y) + (1 - Q_L^Y) \right] Q_L^Y Q_1^Y$$

**Projector:**  $Q_{\ell}^{Y}\left(\Phi_{m_{1}}\ldots\Phi_{m_{L}}\right)=\left(1-\delta_{Y,m_{\ell}}\right)\left(\Phi_{m_{1}}\ldots\Phi_{m_{L}}\right)$ 

[Berenstein Vazquez] (2005) [Hofman Maldacena] (2007)

$$\begin{split} \text{Dilatation on the Y=0 and Ybar=0 det-like operators should look like} \\ \mathcal{O}_{Y,\overline{Y}}[V,W] &\sim \epsilon^{i_1 \cdots i_N} \, \epsilon_{j_1 \cdots j_N} \, \epsilon^{k_1 \cdots k_N} \, \epsilon_{l_1 \cdots l_N} Y_{i_1}^{j_1} \cdots Y_{i_{N-1}}^{j_{N-1}} \, V_{i_N}^{l_N} \, \overline{Y}_{k_1}^{l_1} \cdots \overline{Y}_{k_{N-1}}^{l_{N-1}} \, W_{k_N}^{j_N} \\ \mathcal{D}_{1\text{-loop}} &= \mathcal{D}_{1\text{-loop}}^{(L)} + \mathcal{D}_{1\text{-loop}}^{(R)} \\ \mathcal{D}_{1\text{-loop}}^{(L)} &= \frac{\lambda}{8\pi^2} \left[ Q_1^{\bar{Y}} Q_L^Y \left[ \sum_{l=1}^{L-1} \left( I_{l,l+1} - P_{l,l+1} + \frac{1}{2} K_{l,l+1} \right) + (1 - Q_1^Y) + (1 - Q_L^{\bar{Y}}) \right] Q_L^Y Q_1^{\bar{Y}} \right] \end{split}$$

### Caveat!

Actually the representative state is not a dilatation eigenstate

 $\mathcal{O}_{Y,\overline{Y}}[V,W] \sim \epsilon^{i_1 \cdots i_N} \epsilon_{j_1 \cdots j_N} \epsilon^{k_1 \cdots k_N} \epsilon_{l_1 \cdots l_N} Y_{i_1}^{j_1} \cdots Y_{i_{N-1}}^{j_{N-1}} V_{i_N}^{l_N} \overline{Y}_{k_1}^{l_1} \cdots \overline{Y}_{k_{N-1}}^{l_{N-1}} W_{k_N}^{j_N}$ 

An example of mixings

 $\mathcal{O}_{Y,\overline{Y}}'[V,W] \sim \epsilon^{i_1 \cdots i_N} \epsilon_{j_1 \cdots j_N} \epsilon^{k_1 \cdots k_N} \epsilon_{l_1 \cdots l_N} Y_{i_1}^{j_1} \cdots (Y\overline{Y})_{i_{N-1}}^{j_{N-1}} V_{i_N}^{l_N} \overline{Y}_{k_1}^{l_1} \cdots \delta_{k_{N-1}}^{l_{N-1}} W_{k_N}^{j_N}$  $+ \epsilon^{i_1 \cdots i_N} \epsilon_{j_1 \cdots j_N} \epsilon^{k_1 \cdots k_N} \epsilon_{l_1 \cdots l_N} Y_{i_1}^{j_1} \cdots \overline{Y}_{i_{N-1}}^{j_{N-1}} V_{i_N}^{l_N} \overline{Y}_{k_1}^{l_1} \cdots Y_{k_{N-1}}^{l_{N-1}} W_{k_N}^{j_N}$ 

We must use the true eigenstate before computing anomalous dimensions. However, the classification of dilatation eigenstate at finite N is difficult particularly when the length of operator exceeds N.

#### Heuristic arguments

- The Y=0 and YYbar operators should differ only by boundary interaction, ie. wrapping corrections starting at the order  $\sim O(L)$  (actually 2L)
- The wrapping computation seem to be insensitive to the details of Y,Ybar

### Degeneracy of 2pt functions

Consider the two-point function of a YbarY operator

 $\langle \mathcal{O}_{Y,\overline{Y}}[Z^L,Z^{L'}](x) \, \mathcal{O}_{\overline{Y},Y}[ar{Z}^{L'},ar{Z}^L](0) 
angle \sim |x|^{-2\Delta}$ 

 $\mathcal{O}_{Y,\overline{Y}}[Z^{L}, Z^{L'}] \sim \epsilon^{i_{1}\cdots i_{N}} \epsilon_{j_{1}\cdots j_{N}} \epsilon^{k_{1}\cdots k_{N}} \epsilon_{l_{1}\cdots l_{N}} \times Y^{j_{1}}_{i_{1}}\cdots Y^{j_{N-1}}_{i_{N-1}} (Z^{L})^{l_{N}}_{i_{N}} \overline{Y}^{l_{1}}_{k_{1}}\cdots \overline{Y}^{l_{N-1}}_{k_{N-1}} (Z^{L'})^{j_{N}}_{k_{N}}$ 

Computation goes in almost the same way as on a YY operator  $\mathcal{O}_{\text{BPS}}[Z^L, Z^{L'}] \sim \epsilon^{i_1 \cdots i_N} \epsilon_{j_1 \cdots j_N} \epsilon^{k_1 \cdots k_N} \epsilon_{l_1 \cdots l_N} \times Y_{i_1}^{j_1} \cdots Y_{i_{N-1}}^{j_{N-1}} (Z^L)_{i_N}^{l_N} Y_{k_1}^{l_1} \cdots Y_{k_{N-1}}^{l_{N-1}} (Z^{L'})_{k_N}^{j_N}$ 

After a lot of tree-level contractions between  $Y-\overline{Y}$ , we obtain the following diagrams

# Wrapping diagram



this is same as the so-called zig-zag diagram

cf. [Brown, Schnetz] arXiv:1208.1890, [Schnetz] arXiv:1210.5376

# Wrapping diagram



The result is

$$\delta \Delta_L = -rac{4(g/2)^{4L}}{4L-1} inom{4L}{2L} \zeta(4L-3) + \mathcal{O}(g^{4L+2}), \quad g \ll 1$$

Agree with the boundary Lüscher formula for L>1Our heuristic argument should be improved at L=1

cf. [Brown, Schnetz] arXiv:1208.1890, [Schnetz] arXiv:1210.5376

# BTBA equations and energy bound

# Exact dimension/energy

Begin with the equivalence of Euclidean worldsheet partition functions



[Zamolodchikov (1990)] [Arutyunov, Frolov (2007)]

$$Z_E(L,R) = \int [dX] \, e^{-S_E} = \int [d ilde X] \, e^{- ilde S_E} = ilde Z(R,L)$$

In Hamiltonian formalism,

Take the large  $oldsymbol{R}$  limit,

$$\operatorname{tr} e^{-RH(L)} = \operatorname{tr} e^{-L\tilde{H}(R)}$$

$$e^{-RE_0(L)} = \lim_{R \to \infty} e^{-\tilde{\mathcal{F}}(\mathcal{R})}$$

The "mirror" free energy can be computed by the "mirror" asymptotic Bethe Ansatz equations in the thermodynamic limit

Thermodynamic Bethe Ansatz equations (TBA)

#### TBA in $AdS_5 \times S^5 = Y$ -system + discontinuity

TBA (schematically): 
$$\log Y_A = V_A + \sum_B \log(1 \pm Y_B) \star K_{BA}$$
  
 $\log(1+Y) \star K(v) = \int dt \, \log(1+Y(t)) \frac{1}{2\pi i} \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \log S(t,v)$   
Exact energy:  $E - L = -\sum_{Q=1}^{\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{d\tilde{p}_Q}{2\pi} \log(1+Y_Q), \quad Y_Q = Y_{Q,0}$ 



The hook is related to functional equations called Y-system, which can be derived from the TBA equations.

 $\frac{Y_{a,s}^+ Y_{a,s}^-}{Y_{a-1,s} Y_{a+1,s}} = \frac{(1+Y_{a,s-1})(1+Y_{a,s+1})}{(1+Y_{a-1,s})(1+Y_{a+1,s})}$ 

$$Y^{\pm}(v) = Y(v \pm i/g)$$

### Mirror trick with boundary

A simple generalization is to change boundary conditions



$$Z_E^{(lphaeta)}(L,R) = \int [dX]_{lphaeta} \, e^{-S_E} = \int [d ilde X]_{lphaeta} \, e^{- ilde S_E} = ilde Z^{(lphaeta)}(R,L)$$

 $\mathrm{tr} \, e^{-RH_{lphaeta}(L)} = \langle B_{lpha} | \, e^{-L ilde{H}(R)} \, | B_{eta} 
angle = \sum_{\psi} rac{\langle B_{lpha} | \psi 
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angle} \, e^{-L ilde{\mathcal{E}}_{\psi}(R)}$ 

Take the large R limit,  $e^{-RE_{\alpha\beta,0}(L)} = \lim_{R \to \infty} e^{-\tilde{\mathcal{F}}(\mathcal{R}) + B_{\alpha\beta}(R)}$ 

Difficult to derive the boundary factor  $m{B}_{lphaeta}$  in integrable models with non-diagonal S-matrix

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The asymptotic source term for the ground-state BTBA should be exact

The asymptotic ground-state Y's have double zeroes or poles at the origin.
Those zeroes are correlated to Y=(-1)<sup>F</sup> at v=±i/g
It follows that the singularities at the origin cannot move as long as all Y-functions are real and parity-even.

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Our ground-state BTBA takes the form

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 for auxiliary Y $\log rac{Y_Q}{Y_Q^\bullet} = \log \left(rac{1 \pm Y_b}{1 \pm Y_b^\circ}
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### Summary of YbarY energy

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all wrapping corrections, negative values

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Energy of D-branes Energy of a pair of open strings

 $E_{\mathrm{open}}[Z^L] = -1 + L + E_{\mathrm{BTBA}}(L,g)$ 

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Interestingly, there exists a lower bound for the (B)TBA energy

# YQ(v) at large v

BTBA equation for YQ in the large v limit

$$\log \frac{Y_Q(v)}{Y_Q^{\bullet}(v)} = -2 \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} dt \, \log(1 + Y_{Q'}(t)) \, K_{\Sigma}^{Q'Q}(t, v) + \dots$$

$$\sim -4E_{BTBA} \, \log(v), \quad v \gg 1$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \quad \log Y_Q(v) \sim -(4L + 4E_{BTBA}) \log(v)$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} \kappa_{Q'Q}^{\Sigma}(t, v) = \frac{1}{2\pi i \partial t} \log \Sigma^{Q'Q}(t, v) \\ \frac{1}{i} \log \Sigma^{Q'Q}(t, v) = \Phi(y_1^+, y_2^+) - \Phi(y_1^-, y_2^+) + \Phi(y_1^-, y_2^-) \\ + \frac{1}{2} (\Psi(y_2^+, y_1^+) + \Psi(y_2^-, y_1^+) - \Psi(y_1^+, y_2^-) - \Psi(y_1^-, y_2^-)) \\ + \frac{1}{i} \log \frac{iq^4}{iq^4} \frac{\Gamma[Q - \frac{1}{2}g(y_1^+ + \frac{1}{y_1^+} - y_2^+ - \frac{1}{y_2^+})] \frac{1}{iq^4} - \frac{1}{y_1^+ y_2^+} (\frac{y_1^+ y_2^-}{y_1^- y_2^+ - \frac{1}{y_2^+})] \frac{1}{iq^4} - \frac{1}{y_1^+ y_2^-} (\frac{y_1^+ y_2^-}{y_1^- y_2^- - \frac{1}{y_2^+})] \frac{1}{iq^4} - \frac{1}{y_1^+ y_2^-} (\frac{y_1^+ y_2^-}{y_1^- y_2^- - \frac{1}{y_2^+})] \frac{1}{iq^4} - \frac{1}{y_1^+ y_2^-} (\frac{y_1^+ y_2^-}{y_1^- y_2^- - \frac{1}{y_2^+})] \frac{1}{iq^4} - \frac{1}{y_1^+ y_2^-} (\frac{y_1^+ y_2^-}{y_1^- y_2^- - \frac{1}{y_2^+})] \frac{1}{iq^4} - \frac{1}{y_1^- y_2^-} (\frac{y_1^+ y_2^-}{y_1^- y_2^- - \frac{1}{y_2^+})] \frac{1}{iq^4} - \frac{1}{y_1^- y_2^-} (\frac{y_1^+ y_2^-}{y_1^- y_2^- - \frac{1}{y_2^+})] \frac{1}{iq^4} - \frac{1}{y_1^- y_2^-} (\frac{y_1^- y_2^-}{y_1^- y_2^- - \frac{1}{y_2^+})] \frac{1}{iq^4} - \frac{1}{y_1^- y_2^-} (\frac{y_1^- y_2^-}{y_1^- y_2^- - \frac{1}{y_2^-})] \frac{1}{iq^4} - \frac{1}{y_1^- y_2^-} (\frac{y_1^- y_2^-}{y_1^- y_2^- - \frac{1}{y_2^-})] \frac{1}{iq^4} - \frac{1}{y_1^- y_2^-} (\frac{y_1^- y_2^-}{y_1^- y_2^- - \frac{1}{y_2^-})] \frac{1}{iq^4} - \frac{1}{y_1^- y_2^-} (\frac{y_1^- y_2^-}{y_1^- y_2^- - \frac{1}{y_2^-})] \frac{1}{iq^4} - \frac{1}{y_1^- y_2^-} (\frac{y_1^- y_2^-}{y_1^- y_2^- - \frac{1}{y_2^-})] \frac{1}{iq^4} - \frac{1}{y_1^- y_2^-} (\frac{y_1^- y_2^-}{y_1^- y_2^- - \frac{1}{y_2^-})] \frac{1}{iq^4} - \frac{1}{y_1^- y_2^-} (\frac{y_1^- y_2^-}{y_1^- y_2^- - \frac{1}{y_2^-})] \frac{1}{iq^4} - \frac{1}{y_1^- y_2^-} (\frac{y_1^- y_2^-}{y_1^- y_2^- - \frac{1}{y_2^-})] \frac{1}{iq^4} - \frac{1}{y_1^- y_2^-} (\frac{y_1^- y_2^-}{y_1^- y_2^- - \frac{1}{y_2^-})] \frac{1}{iq^4} - \frac{1}{y_1^- y_2^-} (\frac{y_1^- y_2^-}{y_1^- y_2^- - \frac{1}{y_2^-})] \frac{1}{iq^4} - \frac{1}{y_1^- y_2^-} (\frac{y_1^- y_2^-}{y_1^- y_2^-} - \frac{1}{y_2^-})] \frac{1}{iq^4} - \frac{1}{y_1^- y_2^-} (\frac{y_1^- y_2^-}{y_1^- y_2^-} - \frac{1}{y_2^-})] \frac{1}{iq^4} - \frac{1}{y_1^- y_2^-} (\frac{y_1^- y_2^-}{y_1^- y_2^-} - \frac{1}{y_2^-})] \frac$$

$$\Psi(x_1, x_2) = i \oint rac{dw}{2\pi} rac{1}{w - x_2} \log rac{\Gamma[1 + rac{ig}{2} \left(x_1 + rac{1}{x_1} - w - rac{1}{w}
ight)]}{\Gamma[1 - rac{ig}{2} \left(x_1 + rac{1}{x_1} - w - rac{1}{w}
ight)]}$$
 $x(v) = rac{1}{2} \left(v - i\sqrt{4 - v^2}
ight), \quad y_1^{\pm} = x \left(t \pm rac{iQ'}{g}
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m BTBA})\log(v)$ 

However, the integrals in BTBA energy diverges if  $Y_Q(v)$  ~ 1/v

 $\int_{0}^{\infty} \frac{dv}{2\pi} \frac{d\tilde{p}_{Q}}{dv} \log(1 + Y_{Q}(v)) \sim (\text{const}) \int_{0}^{\infty} dv \, v^{-4L - 4E_{\text{BTBA}}}$ The BTBA energy cannot be negative and large  $4L + 4E_{\text{BTBA}} > 1 \quad \Leftrightarrow \quad E_{\text{BTBA}} > 1/4 - L$ 

# YQ(v) at large Q

BTBA equation for YQ in the large Q limit

 $\Leftrightarrow \quad \log Y_Q(v) \sim (3 - 4L - 4E_{
m BTBA}) \log(Q)$ 

However, the sum in BTBA energy diverges if  $Y_Q(v) \sim 1/Q$ 

$$egin{aligned} E_{ ext{BTBA}} &= -\sum\limits_{Q=1}^{\infty} \int_{0}^{\infty} rac{d\widetilde{p}_Q}{2\pi} \, \log(1+Y_Q) \ &\sim \sum\limits_{Q=1}^{\infty} \left( ext{const}
ight) Q^{3-4L-4E_{ ext{BTBA}}} \end{aligned}$$

The BTBA energy cannot be negative and large

 $4L + 4E_{BTBA} > 4 \quad \Leftrightarrow \quad E_{BTBA} > 1 - L$ 

### Closer look at the bound

The stronger bound is

 $E_{\text{open}}[Z^L] = L - 1 + E_{\text{BTBA}}(L,g) > 0$ 

It is impossible to saturate this lower bound.

Suppose  $E_{
m BTBA}=1$  – L

then BTBA dictates  $Y_Q(v) \sim 1/Q$ 

This implies  $E_{
m BTBA}$  diverges, which is a contradiction

A sign of divergences can also be seen at numerical analysis (ie. indeed TBA energy seems to "hit" the bound)

# CPU resources





#### Sushiki server (Yukawa Institute)

Mars Beowulf cluster (Utrecht University)



Mathematica



### Numerical Results

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Solid: BTBA solution, Dashed: Lüscher formula, Dotted: Lower bound

$$E_{\rm BTBA}^{\rm (num)}(L,g) = -\sum_{Q=1}^{Q_{\rm max}} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{d\tilde{p}_Q}{2\pi} \log(1+Y_Q) - \sum_{Q=Q_{\rm max}+1}^{100} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{d\tilde{p}_Q}{2\pi} \log(1+Y_Q^{\bullet})$$

## Numerical Results



- Cannot go further just by a brute-force computation
- Not clear how to go beyond the critical coupling analytically

# Phase diagram



under the assumption that the L=1 energy diverges at  $\,g=0$ 

### Physical interpretation?

- The breakdown may indicate open string tachyon at strong coupling via AdS/CFT
  - In string theory, the classical energy of short string is zero, but the quantum zero-point energy can be complex
  - No gauge-theory description of O(N) operators for  $g{>}g_{
    m cr}$

 $\Delta \sim 2N + 2E_{ ext{open}} \stackrel{g 
ightarrow \infty}{\longrightarrow} ext{complex}$ 

+ Unitarity of  $\mathcal{N}$ =4 SYM requires  $\Delta$  to be real at any g

- The energy of the string-brane system after tachyon condensation should be real
- Then,  $g_{
  m cr}$  may be related to the radius of convergence in gauge theory

 $\Delta \sim 2N + 2E_{
m BTBA} = \infty - \infty$ 

### Physical interpretation?

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### Summary and outlook

#### Summary

• Studied the spectrum of determinant-like operators

dual to open strings ending on giant gravitons

- Wrapping corrections from  $\mathcal{N}$ =4 SYM agree with the Lüscher formula
- Proposed and solved BTBA equations for Y=0 & Ybar=0
- Found the lower-bound for the (B)TBA energy

#### Future works

- Beyond the critical coupling? Compare with string theory?
- How to compute the dimension of the L=I state?
- AdS/CFT for unstable systems?

# Thank you for attention

#### Infinite-dimensional symmetry

The centrally-extended  $\mathfrak{su}(2|2)$  determines the asymptotic dispersion and S-matrix of fundamental representations almost uniquely

$$egin{aligned} \Delta - J &= \sum_{j=1}^N \sqrt{1 + 4f(g)^2 \, \sin^2 rac{p_j}{2}}, \quad f(g) = g \equiv rac{\sqrt{\lambda}}{2\pi} \, ext{ in } \, \mathcal{N} = 4 \, ext{SYM} \ A^\dagger_a(p_1) A^\dagger_b(p_2) &= \mathbb{S}^{cd}_{ab}(p_1, p_2) A^\dagger_c(p_2) A^\dagger_d(p_1), \quad \mathbb{S} = S_0[\hat{S}_{\mathfrak{su}(2|2)} \otimes \hat{S}_{\mathfrak{su}(2|2)}] \end{aligned}$$

The (fundamental) S-matrix of AdS/CFT satisfies Yang-Baxter relation

$$\mathbb{S}_{12} \mathbb{S}_{13} \mathbb{S}_{23} = \mathbb{S}_{23} \mathbb{S}_{13} \mathbb{S}_{12} \equiv \mathbb{S}_{123}$$

NB. boundstate S-matrices are obtained by fusion while imposing the YBR

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#### Infinite-dimensional symmetry

An N-particle state and its dimension/energy is

 $|p_1,\ldots p_N
angle=A_1^\dagger(p_1)\ldots A_N^\dagger(p_N)|0
angle, \quad \Delta-J=\sum_{j=1}^N\sqrt{1+4g^2\,\sin^2rac{p_j}{2}}$ 

The creation-annihilation operators have a free-field-like representation (Zamolodchikov-Faddeev algebra)

 $A_1^{\dagger}A_2^{\dagger} = A_2^{\dagger}A_1^{\dagger}\mathbb{S}_{12}, \quad A_1A_2 = \mathbb{S}_{12}A_2A_1, \quad A_1A_2^{\dagger} = A_2^{\dagger}A_1\mathbb{S}_{12} + \delta_{12}$ 

The centrally-extended su(2|2) extends further to the Hopf-algebra with a non-trivial co-product

 $\Delta \mathfrak{J}^A = \mathfrak{J}^A \otimes 1 + e^{ip[A]} \otimes \mathfrak{J}^A, \quad \mathfrak{J}^A : \mathfrak{su}(2|2) ext{ generators}$ 

 $[\Delta \mathfrak{J}^A, \mathbb{S}] = 0$ 

eventually to the Yangian of su(2|2)

[Beisert (2005)] and others

# Bethe-Yang equation (BYE)

For a large and finite J, momenta of the particles are determined by the Bethe-Yang (or Bethe Ansatz) equation



$$egin{aligned} -1 &= e^{-iJp_k} \prod_{j=1}^N S(p_j,p_k) \ S(p,p) &= -1 \end{aligned}$$

BYE in terms of transfer matrix

$$T_a(q|ec{p}) \equiv (\mathrm{s})\mathrm{tr}_{V_a}\Big[\mathbb{S}_{a1}(q,p_1)\cdots\mathbb{S}_{aN}(q,p_N)\Big]$$



Yang-Baxter relation for integrable S-matrices  $\Rightarrow [T_a(q_a | \vec{p}), T_b(q_b | \vec{p})] = 0$ 

**BYE** 
$$\Leftrightarrow$$
  $-1 = e^{-iJq} T(q|\vec{p})\Big|_{q=p_k}$ 

# Wrapping corrections

- The dimension  $\Delta$  of SYM operator with a finite R-charge J receives exponentially small "wrapping" corrections
- The leading wrapping correction is related to

the transfer matrix via the Lüscher formula

$$\Delta_{ ext{Lüscher}} \sim \sum_{Q} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} d\widetilde{p}_Q \, e^{-\widetilde{\mathcal{E}}_Q(\widetilde{p}_Q) J}$$

 $(\mathcal{E}_Q, p_Q) = (-i\widetilde{p}_Q, -i\widetilde{\mathcal{E}}_Q), \quad \widetilde{\mathcal{E}}_Q = 2 \mathrm{arcsinh} \left( \sqrt{Q^2 + \widetilde{p}_Q^2} / (2g) 
ight)$ 

$$\Delta_{ ext{Lüscher}} = -\sum_{Q=1}^{\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} rac{d\widetilde{p}_Q}{2\pi} Y_Q^{ullet}(\widetilde{p}_Q), \quad Y_Q^{ullet}(\widetilde{p}_Q) = e^{-\widetilde{\mathcal{E}}_Q J} I_Q(\widetilde{p}_Q | ec{p})$$

[Lüscher (1986)] [Janik Łukowski (2007)] and others

#### Boundary Bethe-Yang equation

Integrable open spin chains obey boundary BYE



 $egin{aligned} 1 = e^{-i2Jp_K} \prod_{j
eq k}^N S(p_k,p_j) R^-(p_k) imes \ & \prod_{j
eq k}^N S(p_j,-p_k) R^+(-p_k) \end{aligned}$ 

BBYE from double-row transfer matrix

$$D_{a} = \operatorname{tr}_{a} \left[ \mathbb{S}_{aN} \cdots \mathbb{S}_{a1} \mathbb{R}^{-} \mathbb{S}_{1a} \cdots \mathbb{S}_{Na} \tilde{\mathbb{R}}^{+} \right]$$
$$\mathbb{R}^{\pm} : \text{ reflection matrix}$$



Boundary Yang-Baxter for  $\mathbb{R}^{\pm}$   $\Rightarrow$   $[D_a, D_b] = 0$ BBYE  $\Leftrightarrow$   $-1 = e^{-2iqJ} D_a(q|\vec{p})$ 

## Boundary wrapping corrections

• Boundary Lüscher formula has been conjectured and tested

$$\Delta_{ ext{Lüscher}}\sim \sum_Q \int_0^\infty d\widetilde{p}_Q \, e^{-\widetilde{\mathcal{E}}_Q(\widetilde{p}_Q) 2 J}$$

• In terms of the double-row transfer matrix

$$\Delta_{ ext{Lüscher}} = -\sum_{Q=1}^{\infty} \int_{0}^{\infty} rac{d\widetilde{p}_Q}{2\pi} Y_Q^{ullet}, \quad Y_Q^{ullet} = e^{-\widetilde{\mathcal{E}}_Q 2J} D_Q$$

Agree with  $\mathcal{N}=4$  SYM perturbation at weak coupling for simple states

[Correa, Young (2009)] [Bajnok, Palla (2010)]

### Error bars

We put Qmax=6 to draw the solid line

$$E_{
m BTBA}^{
m (num)}(J,g) = -\sum_{Q=1}^{Q_{
m max}} \int_0^\infty rac{d\widetilde{p}_Q}{2\pi} \, \log(1+Y_Q) - \sum_{Q=Q_{
m max}+1}^{100} \int_0^\infty rac{d\widetilde{p}_Q}{2\pi} \, \log(1+Y_Q^ullet)$$

The error from the truncation of YQ is huge around the critical value

$$E_{ ext{BTBA}} = \sum_Q \mathrm{E}(Q), \quad \mathrm{E}(Q) = -\int rac{d\widetilde{p}_Q}{2\pi} \, \log(1+Y_Q) \sim Q^{-4J-4E_{ ext{BTBA}}}$$

We extrapolate the BTBA energy from Qmax=6 to Qmax=100 using the large Q asymptotics of  ${
m E}({
m Q})$ 

$$ilde{E}_{ ext{BTBA}} = \sum_{Q=1}^{6} \mathrm{E}^{( ext{original})}(Q) + \sum_{Q=7}^{100} \mathrm{E}^{( ext{fit})}(Q) ~\left( < E_{ ext{BTBA}}^{( ext{num})} 
ight)$$

Estimate of truncation error:  $\delta E_{\rm BTBA} \equiv E_{\rm BTBA}^{(\rm num)} - \tilde{E}_{\rm BTBA}$