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Quantum spectral curve of N=4 SYM and its BFKL limit

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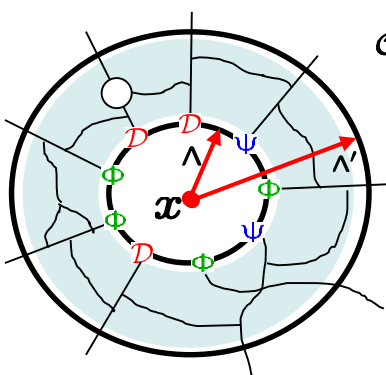
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Integrability of AdS₅/CFT₄ spectral problem

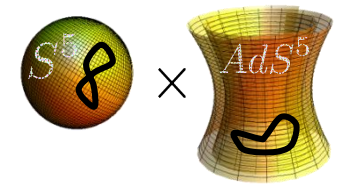
$$S_{SYM} = \frac{N}{g^2} \int d^4x \text{Tr} (F^2 + (D\Phi)^2 + \bar{\Psi}D\Psi + \bar{\Psi}\Phi\Psi + [\Phi, \Phi]^2)$$



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

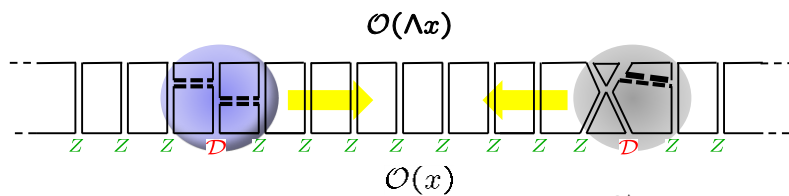
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Weak coupling expansion for SYM anomalous dimensions. Perturbative integrability: Spin chain

Strong coupling from AdS-dual – classical superstring sigma model Classical integrability, algebraic curve



S-matrix Asymptotic Bethe ansatz

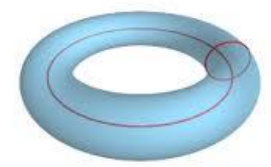
$$e^{iL p_j} \prod_{k \neq j=1}^M \hat{S}(p_j, p_k) = \mathbb{I}$$

Beisert, Eden, Staudacher
Janik, Beisert

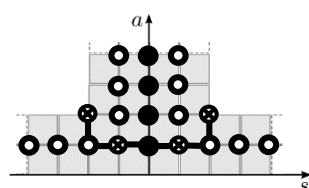
Gromov, Kazakov, Vieira

Y-system + analyticity Thermodynamic Bethe ansatz (exact!)

Bombardelli, Fioravanti, Tateo
Gromov, V.K., Kozak, Vieira
Arutyunov, Frolov



$$Y_{a,s}(u + \frac{i}{2}) Y_{a,s}(u - \frac{i}{2}) = \frac{[1 + Y_{a,s+1}][1 + Y_{a,s-1}]}{[1 + \frac{1}{Y_{a+1,s}}][1 + \frac{1}{Y_{a-1,s}}]}$$



PSU(2,2|4)

$$\log Y_{a,s} = L \delta_{a,0} \frac{\partial}{\partial u} \tilde{\epsilon}_a + \sum_{a',s'} K_{a,s;a',s'} \log(1 + Y_{a',s'}(u))$$

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V.K., Leurent, Volin

Cavaglia, Fioravanti, Tateo
Hegedus, Balog

Wronskian solution of Y/T-system via Baxter's Q-functions Finite system of integral non-linear equations (FINLIE)

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BFKL dimensions for twist-2 operator

Q-system and Riemann-Hilbert eqs. for quantum spectral curve (P-μ)

SYM is dual to superstring σ -model on $AdS_5 \times S^5$

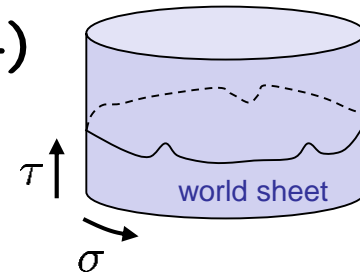
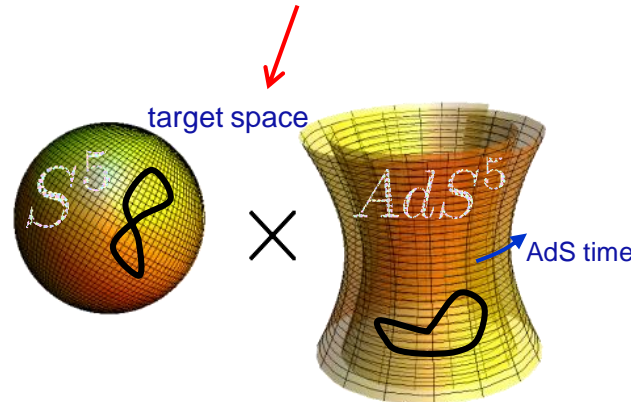
- Super-conformal N=4 SYM symmetry $PSU(2,2|4) \rightarrow$ isometry of string target space

- 2D σ -model on a coset

$$\frac{PSU(2, 2 | 4)}{SO(1, 4) \times SO(5)}$$

$$G(\sigma, \tau) = \left(\begin{array}{c|c} A & B \\ \hline C & D \end{array} \right) \in sl(4|4)$$

$$J = -G^{-1}dG = J^{(0)} + J^{(1)} + J^{(2)} + J^{(3)} \in su(2, 2|4)$$



- Metsaev-Tseytlin action

$$S_{MT} = g \text{ str} \int_{\mathcal{M}_2} [J^{(2)} \wedge *J^{(2)} - J^{(1)} \wedge J^{(3)}]$$

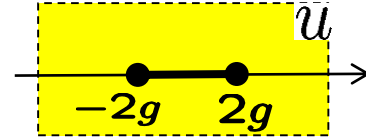
Dimension of YM operator $\Delta_A(g) =$ Energy of a string state

Classical integrability of superstring on $AdS_5 \times S^5$

- String eqs. of motion and constraints recast into flatness condition

Mikhailov, Zakharov
Bena, Roiban, Polchinski

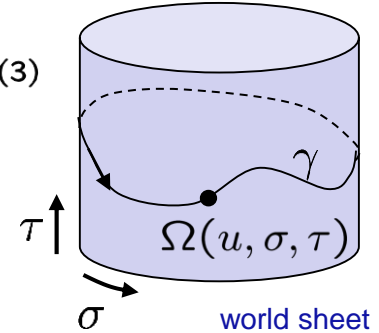
$$[(\partial_0 + \mathcal{A}_0(u)), (\partial_1 + \mathcal{A}_1(u))] = 0$$



for Lax connection - **double valued** w.r.t. spectral parameter u

$$\mathcal{A}(u) = J^{(0)} + \frac{u}{\sqrt{u^2 - 4g^2}} J^{(2)} + \frac{g}{\sqrt{u^2 - 4g^2}} *J^{(2)} + \left(\frac{u+2g}{u-2g}\right)^{1/4} J^{(1)} + \left(\frac{u-2g}{u+2g}\right)^{1/4} J^{(3)}$$

- Monodromy matrix $\Omega(u) = P \exp \oint_{\gamma} \mathcal{A}(u) \in PSU(2, 2|4)$
encodes infinitely many conservation laws



- Eigenvalues define quasi-momenta:

V.K., Marshakov, Minahan, Zarembo
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$$\Omega(u) = U^{-1} \{e^{i\hat{p}_1(u)}, e^{i\hat{p}_2(u)}, e^{i\hat{p}_3(u)}, e^{i\hat{p}_4(u)} \mid e^{i\check{p}_1(u)}, e^{i\check{p}_2(u)}, e^{i\check{p}_3(u)}, e^{i\check{p}_4(u)}\} U$$

- Asymptotics fixed by Cartan charges of $PSU(2, 2|4)$: $\{J_1, J_2, J_3 \mid \Delta, S_1, S_2\}$

$$\begin{pmatrix} \hat{p}_1 \\ \hat{p}_2 \\ \hat{p}_3 \\ \hat{p}_4 \end{pmatrix} \simeq \frac{1}{2u} \begin{pmatrix} +J_1 + J_2 - J_3 \\ +J_1 - J_2 + J_3 \\ -J_1 + J_2 + J_3 \\ -J_1 - J_2 - J_3 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} \check{p}_1 \\ \check{p}_2 \\ \check{p}_3 \\ \check{p}_4 \end{pmatrix} \simeq \frac{1}{2u} \begin{pmatrix} +\Delta_1 - S_1 + S_2 \\ +\Delta_1 + S_1 - S_2 \\ -\Delta_1 - S_1 - S_2 \\ -\Delta_1 + S_1 + S_2 \end{pmatrix}$$

- Each quasi-momentum inherits the double-valuedness of Lax connection.

From classical to quantum Hirota in U(2,2|4) T-hook

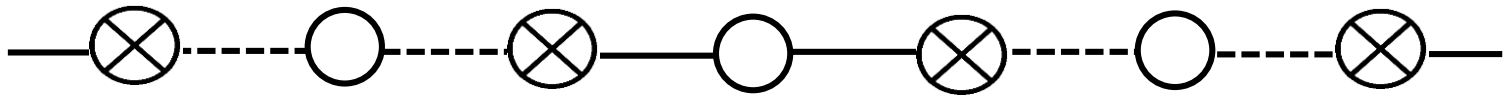
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- Quantization: replace classical spectral determinant by quantum spectral functional

$$w(p, u) = \text{sdet} \left(\mathbf{I} - e^{-ip} \cdot \Omega(u) \right) \quad \Rightarrow \quad \widehat{W}(p, u) = \text{"Sdet"} \left(\mathbf{I} - e^{-i\partial_u} \cdot \widehat{\Omega}(u) \right)$$

$$\Omega(u) \Rightarrow \{ \mathcal{Y}_1(u) | \mathcal{X}_1(u), \mathcal{X}_2(u) | \mathcal{Y}_2(u), \mathcal{Y}_3(u) | \mathcal{X}_3(u), \mathcal{X}_4(u) | \mathcal{Y}_4(u) \}$$

- We have to precise the order of operatorial factors along Dynkin diagram:



$$W = \left[(1 - D\mathcal{Y}_1 D) \frac{1}{(1 - D\mathcal{X}_1 D)} \frac{1}{(1 - D\mathcal{X}_2 D)} (1 - D\mathcal{Y}_2 D) \right]_+ \times \left[(1 - D\mathcal{Y}_3 D) \frac{1}{(1 - D\mathcal{X}_3 D)} \frac{1}{(1 - D\mathcal{X}_4 D)} (1 - D\mathcal{Y}_4 D) \right]_-$$

$$= \sum_{s=-\infty}^{\infty} D^s T_{1,s} D^s$$

$[\dots]_{\pm}$ - expansion in $D^{\pm 1} = e^{\mp \frac{i}{2} \partial_u}$

- T-functions in general (a×s) irrep $T_{a,s}(u) = \text{Det}_{1 \leq k, j \leq a} T_{1, s+k-j} \left(u + i \frac{k+j}{2} \right)$

For spin chains :
Bazhanov, Reshetikhin
Cherednik
V.K., Vieira (for the proof)

solve the Hirota equation (and thus the Y-system in T-hook)

$$T_{a,s} \left(u + \frac{i}{2} \right) T_{a,s} \left(u - \frac{i}{2} \right) = T_{a,s-1}(u) T_{a,s+1}(u) + T_{a+1,s}(u) T_{a-1,s}(u)$$

- The best parameterization is in terms of Baxter-like Q-functions: Q-system

Q-system as a Grassmanian

Krichever, Lipan, Wiegmann, Zabrodin
Gromov, Vieira
V.K., Leurent, Volin.

- One-form on N single indexed Q-functions:

$$Q_{(1)} \equiv \sum_{j=1}^N Q_j(u) \xi^j, \quad \{\xi^i, \xi^j\} = 0$$

- l -form encodes all Q-functions with l indices:

$$Q_{(l)} \equiv Q_{(1)}^{[-l+1]} \wedge Q_{(1)}^{[-l+3]} \wedge \dots \wedge Q_{(1)}^{[l-1]}$$

Notations:

$$Q^{[n]} \equiv Q\left(u + \frac{in}{2}\right)$$

$$Q^{\pm} \equiv Q\left(u \pm \frac{i}{2}\right)$$

- Multi-index Q-function: coefficient of $\xi_{i_1} \wedge \xi_{i_2} \wedge \dots \wedge \xi_{i_l}$

$$Q_{j_1, \dots, j_k} = \det_{1 \leq m, n \leq k} Q_{j_m}^{[-1-k+2n]}$$

- Example for $N=2$: $Q_{(2)} = 2Q_{12} \xi_1 \wedge \xi_2$, $Q_{12} = Q_1^+ Q_2^- - Q_1^- Q_2^+$

- Notations in terms of subsets of indices:

$$Q_{j_1, \dots, j_k} \equiv Q_I, \quad I = \{j_1, \dots, j_k\} \subset \{1, 2, \dots, N\}$$

- Plücker's QQ-relations: $Q_I Q_{I, i, j} = Q_{I, i}^+ Q_{I, j}^- - Q_{I, i}^- Q_{I, j}^+$

(K|M)-graded Q-system

- Split the full set of K+M indices as $\{B\} \cup \{F\}$

$$B = \{1, 2, \dots, K\}, \quad F = \{K+1, K+2, \dots, K+M\}$$

- Grading = re-labeling of F-indices (subset \rightarrow complimentary subset of F)

$$Q_{I|J} \equiv Q_{I, F \setminus J}, \quad I \in B, \quad J \in F$$

- Examples for (4|4): $Q_{j|0} = Q_{j5678}, \quad j = 1, 2, 3, 4, \quad Q_{12|57} = Q_{1268}$

- Graded forms:

$$Q_{(n|p)} = \sum_{\{b\} \in B} \sum_{\{f\} \in F} Q_{b_1, b_2, \dots, b_n | f_1, f_2, \dots, f_p} \cdot \xi^{b_1} \wedge \xi^{b_2} \wedge \dots \wedge \xi^{b_n} \wedge \xi^{f_1} \wedge \xi^{f_2} \wedge \dots \wedge \xi^{f_p}$$

- New type of QQ-relations involving 2 indices of opposite grading:

$$Q_{I|J, j} Q_{I, i|J} = Q_{I, i|J, j}^+ Q_{I|J}^- - Q_{I, i|J, j}^- Q_{I|J}^+$$

Now we can label: $F = \{1, 2, \dots, M\}$

Wronskian solution of Hirota eq.

- Example: solution of Hirota equation in a band of width N in terms of exterior full-forms via $2N$ arbitrary functions

Krichever, Lipan, Wiegmann, Zabrodin

$$T_{a,s} = Q_{(a)}^{[s]} \wedge \tilde{Q}_{(N-a)}^{[-s]}$$

- For $su(N)$ spin chain (half-strip) we impose:

$$\tilde{Q}(u) = Q^{[N]}, \quad \tilde{Q}_{(0)} = Q_{(0)} = 1$$

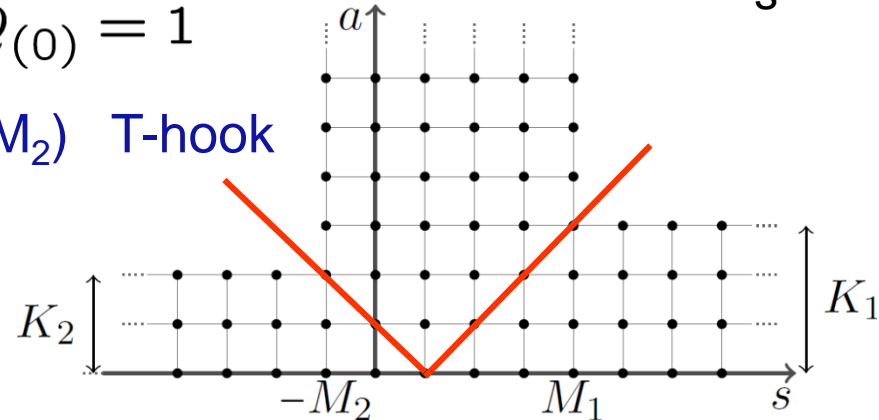
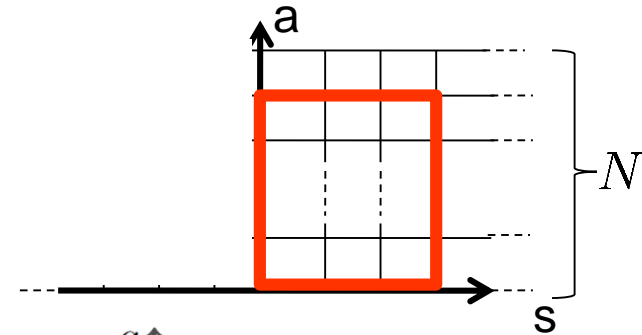
- Solution of Hirota eq. for $(K_1, K_2 | M_1 + M_2)$ T-hook

Tsuboi
V.K., Leurent, Volin

$$Q_{I_1, I_2 | J} \quad \{I_1, I_2 | J\} \subset \{B_1, B_2 | F\}$$

$$T_{a,s} = \begin{cases} Q_{(a,0|0)}^{[\tilde{s}]} \wedge Q_{(K_1-a, K_2 | M)}^{[-\tilde{s}]} & \tilde{s} \geq \tilde{a} \\ Q_{(K_1, 0 | M_1-s)}^{[\tilde{a}]} \wedge Q_{(0, K_2 | M_2+s)}^{[-\tilde{a}]} & \tilde{a} \geq |\tilde{s}| \\ Q_{(K_1, K_2-a | M)}^{[-\tilde{s}]} \wedge Q_{(0, a | 0)}^{[+\tilde{s}]} & \tilde{s} \leq -\tilde{a} \end{cases}$$

$$Q_j(u), \tilde{Q}_j(u)$$



$$\tilde{s} = s - \frac{-K_1 + K_2 + M_1 - M_2}{2}$$

$$\tilde{a} = a - \frac{K - M}{2}$$

Algebraic symmetries of Q-system

- **Hodge duality** is a simple relabeling:

$$Q^{A|J} \equiv Q_{\{1234\} \setminus A \mid \{1234\} \setminus J}$$

Example for (4|4): $Q^{1|134} = Q_{234|2}$

- Satisfy the same QQ-relations if we impose: $Q^{\emptyset|\emptyset} = Q_{1234|1234} = 1$
(related to unimodularity of PSU(2,2|4))

- **H-symmetry:** $\mathfrak{sl}(4) \times \mathfrak{sl}(4)$ rotation preserving QQ-relations
with i-periodic H-functions: $H^{++} = H$

$$Q_{A|J} \rightarrow \left(H_b^{[|A|+|J|]} \right)_A^{A'} \left(H_f^{[|A|+|J|]} \right)_J^{J'} Q_{I'|J'}, \quad |X| \equiv \text{Span}(X)$$

where $H_I^{I'} \equiv H_{i_1}^{i'_1} H_{i_2}^{i'_2} \dots H_{i_{|I|}}^{i'_{|I|}}$

Examples: $Q_{i|\emptyset} \rightarrow (H_b^+)_i^j Q_{j|\emptyset} \quad Q_{i|j} \rightarrow (H_b)_i^{i'} (H_f)_j^{j'} Q_{i'|j'}$


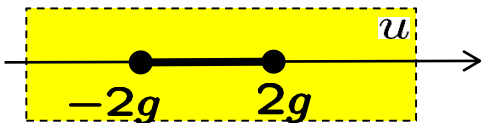
Analyticity of AdS/CFT Q-system

- AdS/CFT T-system is defined on (2,2|4)-hook and is solved via wronskians of Q-functions with specific analytic properties. Their simplest basic Q's:


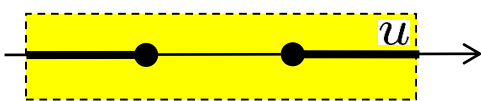
$$\mathbf{P}_j \equiv \mathcal{Q}_{j|Q}, \quad \mathbf{Q}_j \equiv \mathcal{Q}_{Q|j}, \quad \mathbf{P}^j \equiv \mathcal{Q}^{j|Q}, \quad \mathbf{Q}^j \equiv \mathcal{Q}^{Q|j} \quad (j = 1, 2, 3, 4)$$

- Comparing characters of classical monodromy matrix and their quantum analogues -- T-functions, we relate these functions to classical quasimomenta

$$\mathbf{P}_j \sim (\mathbf{P}^j)^{-1} \sim \exp\left(-\int^u \hat{p}_j(u') du'\right)$$

$$\mathbf{Q}^j \sim (\mathbf{Q}^j)^{-1} \sim \exp\left(-\int^u \check{p}_j(u') du'\right)$$

- They inherit one-cut structure on their defining Riemann sheets (checked from TBA!)
- From asymptotics of (quasi)classical quasi-momenta:

$$\mathbf{P}_i \simeq A_i u^{-\tilde{M}_i}, \quad \mathbf{Q}_{\hat{i}} \simeq B_i u^{\hat{M}_i - 1}, \quad \mathbf{P}^i \simeq A^i u^{\tilde{M}_i - 1}, \quad \mathbf{Q}^{\hat{i}} \simeq B^i u^{-\hat{M}_i}$$

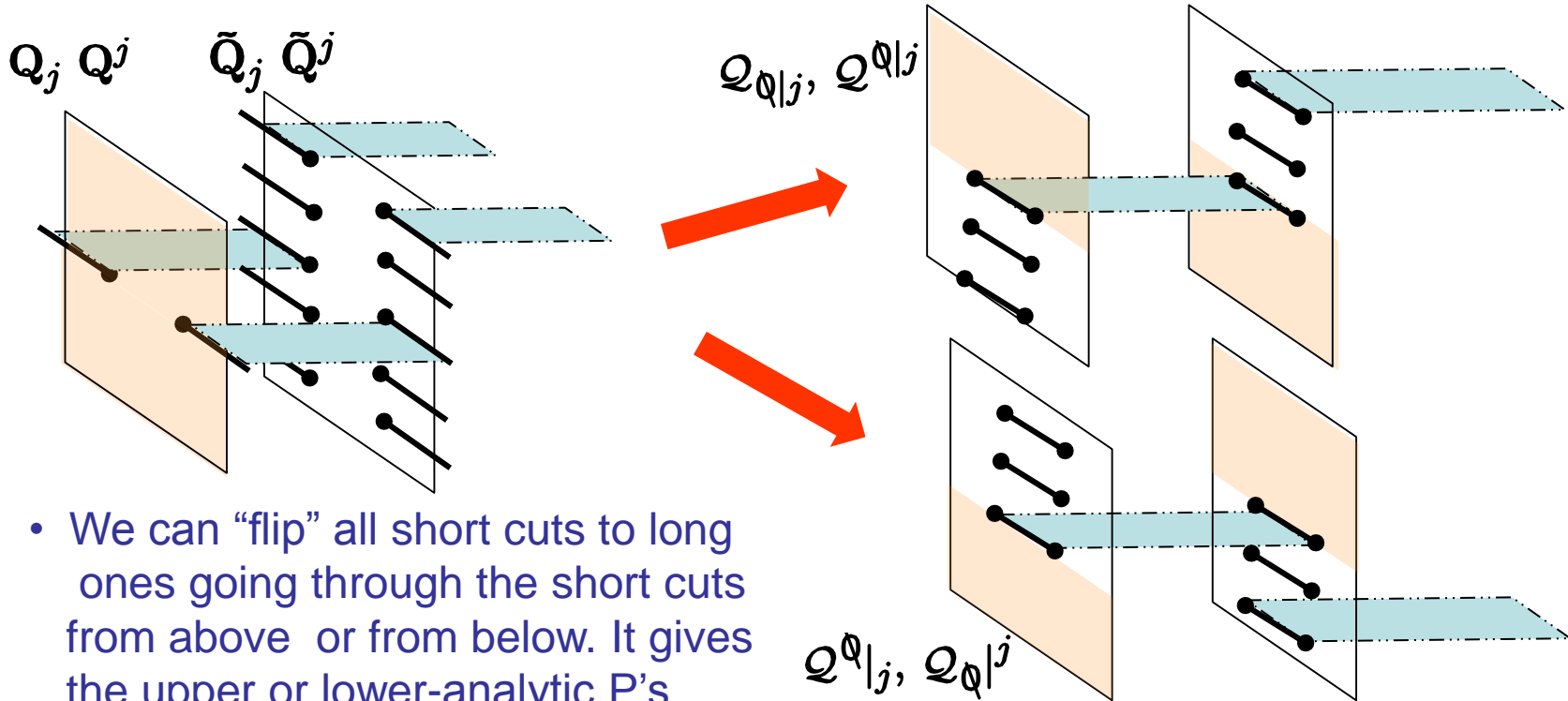
$$\tilde{M}_a = \left\{ \frac{1}{2}(J_1 + J_2 - J_3 + 2), \frac{1}{2}(J_1 - J_2 + J_3), \frac{1}{2}(-J_1 + J_2 + J_3 + 2), \frac{1}{2}(-J_1 - J_2 - J_3) \right\}$$

$$\hat{M}_a = \left\{ \frac{1}{2}(\Delta - S_1 - S_2 + 2), \frac{1}{2}(\Delta + S_1 + S_2), \frac{1}{2}(-\Delta - S_1 + S_2 + 2), \frac{1}{2}(-\Delta + S_1 - S_2) \right\}$$

- To fix all Q-functions (and Riemann-Hilbert equations for AdS/CFT spectrum) we have to know the monodromy around the branch points.
- The very existence of Q-system imposes strong restrictions on analyticity!

H(ω)-transformation from upper- to lower-analytic Q's

- Structure of cuts of Q-functions:



- We can “flip” all short cuts to long ones going through the short cuts from above or from below. It gives the upper or lower-analytic P's.
- Q-system allows to choose all Q-functions upper-analytic or all lower-analytic. Both representations are physically equivalent → related by H-rotations with periodic coefficients rising and lowering indices $\widehat{\omega}_{ab}(u+i) = \widehat{\omega}_{ab}(u)$

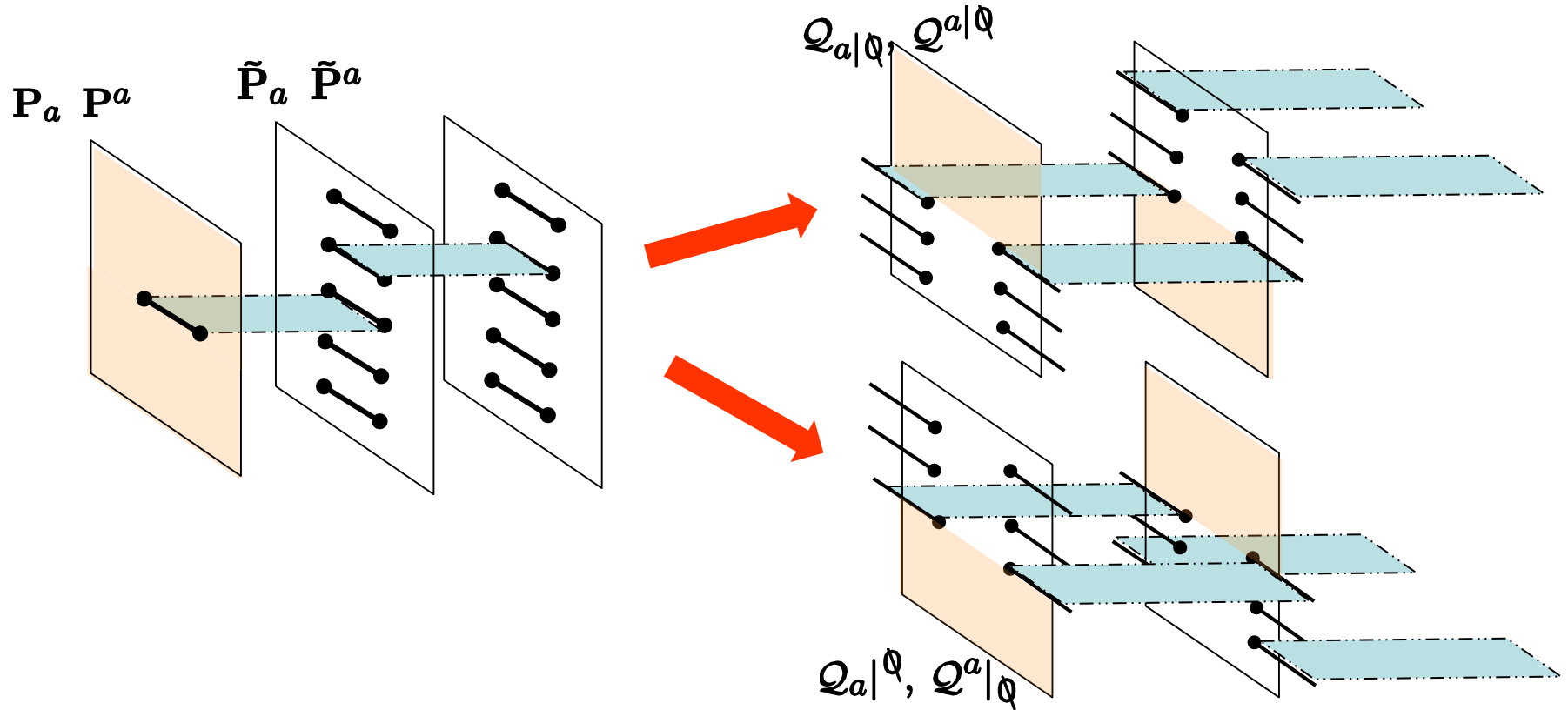
$$Q_{\emptyset|j} = \omega_{jk} Q_{\emptyset|k} \quad Q_{\emptyset|j} = \omega^{jk} Q_{\emptyset|k}$$

$$\omega^{ij} = (\omega)_{kl}^{-1} = -\frac{1}{2} \epsilon^{ijkl} \omega_{kl}, \quad \text{Pf}(\omega) = 1$$

- True only for 4×4 antisym. matrices: Exceptional role of PSU(2,2|4) !

H(μ)-transformation from upper- to lower-analytic Q's

- Structure of cuts of P-functions: the same picture, but with the exchange of roles of long and short cuts

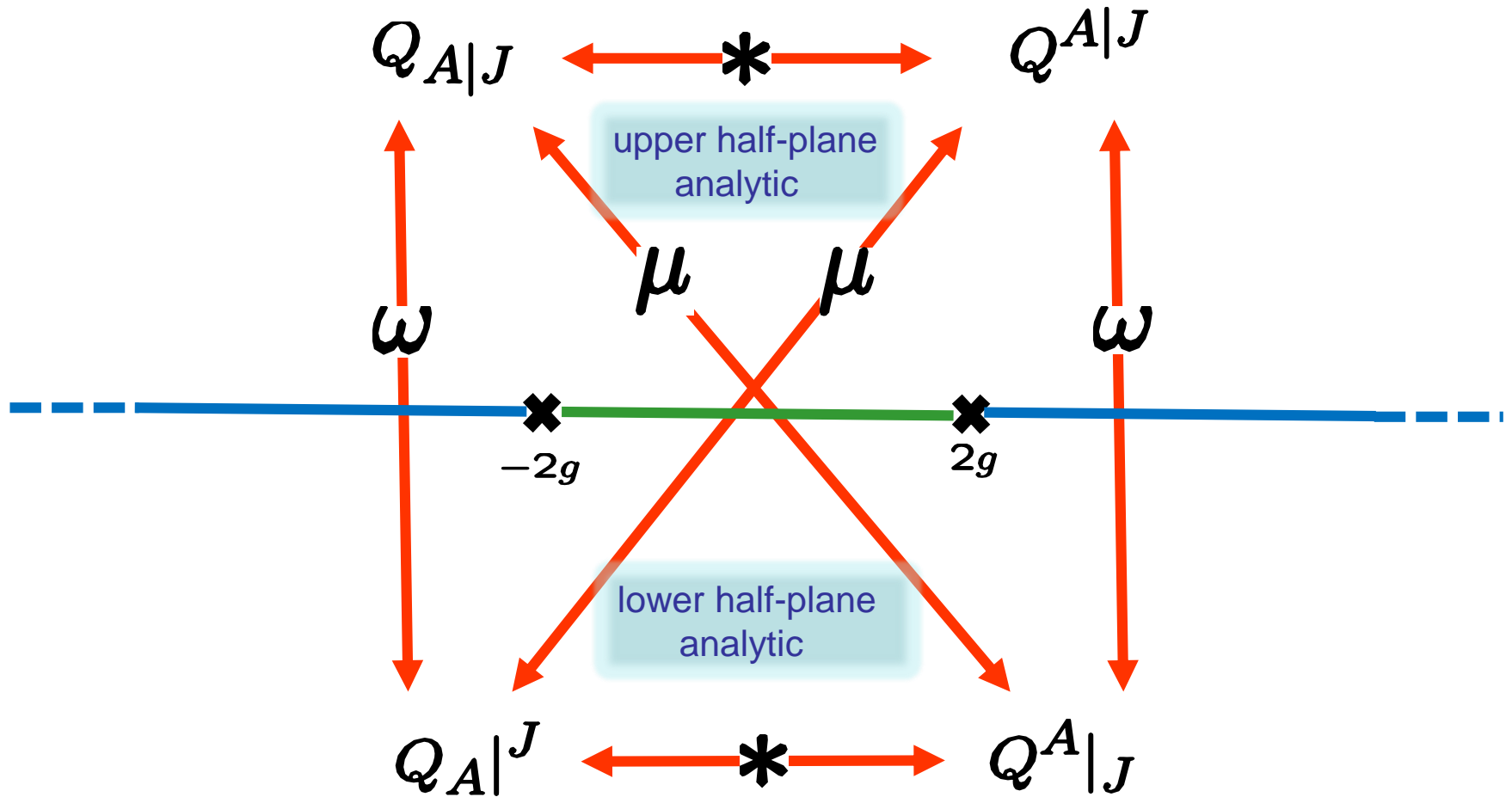


- Upper-analytic or all lower-analytic functions with long cuts related by H-rotation with periodic coefficients rising and lowering indices: $\check{\mu}_{ab}(u+i) = \check{\mu}_{ab}(u)$

$$Q_{a|\emptyset} = \mu_{ab} Q^b|_{\emptyset}$$

$$Q^a|_{\emptyset} = \mu^{ab} Q_b|_{\emptyset}$$

Analytic Q-system



- μ - lowers or rises “bosonic” indices and flips UHP and LHP analyticity
- ω - lowers or rises “fermionic” indices and flips UHP and LHP analyticity
- $*$ - flips all upper and lower indices by Hodge transformation

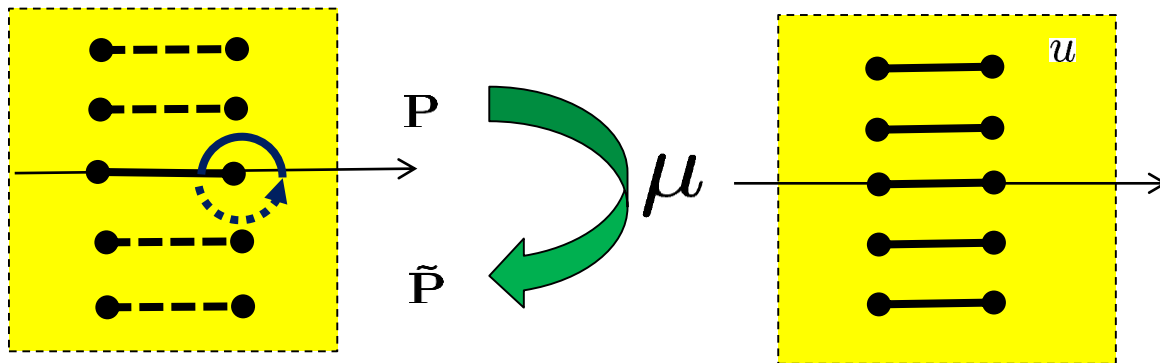
P_μ -system and reduction to $SL(2)$ sector $\text{Tr}(\nabla^S Z^L)$

- $H(\mu)$ transformation defines monodromy through short cuts:

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

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

\tilde{P} is the analytic continuation of P through the cut:



- P_μ -system contains the equation for μ (follows from a QQ-relation):

$$\mu_{ab}^{++} - \mu_{ab} = P_a \tilde{P}_b - P_b \tilde{P}_a$$

- $SL(2)$ -reduction:

$$P^i = -\chi^{ij} P_j, \quad Q^i = -\chi^{ij} Q_j, \quad \chi^{ij} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

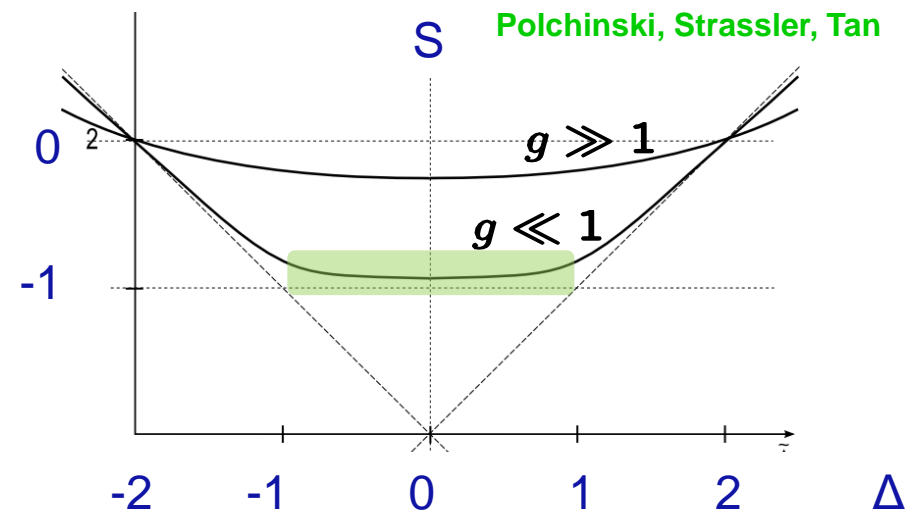
- Cut structure on defining sheet and asymptotics at $u \rightarrow \infty$

$$\begin{pmatrix} P_1 \\ P_2 \\ P_3 \\ P_4 \end{pmatrix} \sim \begin{pmatrix} A_1 u^{-\frac{L}{2}} \\ A_2 u^{-\frac{L+2}{2}} \\ A_3 u^{\frac{L}{2}} \\ A_4 u^{\frac{L-2}{2}} \end{pmatrix}, \quad \begin{pmatrix} \mu_{12} \\ \mu_{13} \\ \mu_{14} \\ \mu_{24} \\ \mu_{34} \end{pmatrix} \sim \begin{pmatrix} u^{\wedge-L} \\ u^{\wedge+1} \\ u^{\wedge} \\ u^{\wedge-1} \\ u^{\wedge+L} \end{pmatrix}, \quad \wedge = 0, \pm\Delta, \pm(S-1)$$

BFKL Dimension from Quantum Spectral Curve

- QSC allows for analytic continuation of exact dimension $\Delta(S, g)$ to continuous spins $-1 < S < \infty$. We need to find the appropriate analytic continuation of Q-functions.

Janik Gromov, V.K.
Gromov, Levkovich-Maslyuk, Sizov, Valatka



- BFKL is a double scaling limit:

$$w = S + 1 \rightarrow 0, \quad g \rightarrow 0, \quad \Lambda = \frac{g^2}{S + 1} \quad \text{-- fixed}$$

- We will restore from QSC the leading order (LO) BFKL approximation for $\Delta(S, g)$ already known up to NLO from direct summation of Feynman graphs

Kotikov, Lipatov

$$\frac{S + 1}{4g^2} = \Psi(\Delta) + g^2 \delta(\Delta) + \mathcal{O}(g^4) \quad \text{where} \quad \Psi(\Delta) = -\psi\left(\frac{1 + \Delta}{2}\right) - \psi\left(\frac{1 - \Delta}{2}\right) + 2\psi(1)$$

$$\delta(\Delta) = 4\Psi''(\Delta) + 6\zeta_3 + 2\zeta_2\Psi(\Delta) - \frac{\pi^3}{\cos\frac{\pi\Delta}{2}} - 4\Phi\left(\frac{1}{2} - \frac{\Delta}{2}\right) - 4\Phi\left(\frac{1}{2} + \frac{\Delta}{2}\right), \quad \Phi(x) = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-)^k}{(x+k)^2} [\psi(k+1+x) - \psi(1)]$$

- In particular, near the Regge pole

$$\Delta - 1 \simeq \frac{-8g^2}{w} + w\zeta_3 \left(\frac{-4g^2}{w}\right)^3 + \mathcal{O}\left(\left(\frac{g^2}{w}\right)^4\right)$$

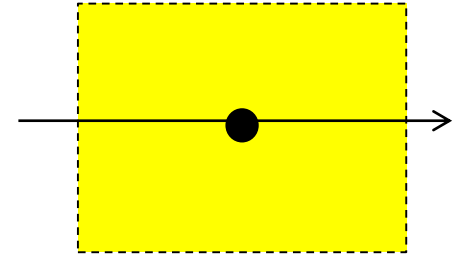
- BFKL is an excellent test for the whole AdS/CFT integrability: it sums up “wrapped” graphs omitted in asymptotic Bethe ansatz

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P-functions at LO BFKL

- We can split \mathbf{P} into regular and singular parts

$$\mathbf{P} = \frac{\tilde{\mathbf{P}} + \mathbf{P}}{2} + \sqrt{u^2 - 4g^2} \left(\frac{\tilde{\mathbf{P}} - \mathbf{P}}{2\sqrt{u^2 - 4g^2}} \right)$$



- In the regime $g \ll |u| \ll 1$ singular part gives poles at $u = 0$

$$\sqrt{u^2 - 4g^2} \equiv \sqrt{u^2 - 4\Lambda w} = u - \frac{2\Lambda}{u}w - \frac{2\Lambda^2}{u^3}w^2 + O(w^3)$$

reminder:

$$w = S + 1$$

$$\Lambda = \frac{g^2}{S + 1}$$

- Only poles at $u \rightarrow \infty$

$$\begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{P}_1 \\ \mathbf{P}_2 \\ \mathbf{P}_3 \\ \mathbf{P}_4 \end{pmatrix} \simeq \begin{pmatrix} u^{-1} \\ u^{-2} \\ A_3 u \\ A_4 u^0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$A_4 = \frac{1}{96i}((5 - w)^2 - \Delta^2)((1 + w)^2 - \Delta^2)$$

$$A_3 = \frac{1}{32i}((1 - w)^2 - \Delta^2)((3 - w)^2 - \Delta^2)$$

- Due to asymptotics and parity \mathbf{P} 's are fixed at LO up to a single constant

$$\mathbf{P}_1 = \frac{1}{u}, \quad \mathbf{P}_2 = \frac{1}{u^2}, \quad \mathbf{P}_3 = A_3^{(0)}u + \frac{c_{3,1}^{(1)}}{\Lambda u}, \quad \mathbf{P}_4 = A_4^{(0)}$$

- To fix it we go through the cut. Uniformized by Zhukovsky map $u = \sqrt{\Lambda w}(x + 1/x)$

$$\mathbf{P}_a = \sum_{n=-1}^{\infty} \frac{c_{a,n}}{[x(u)]^n}$$

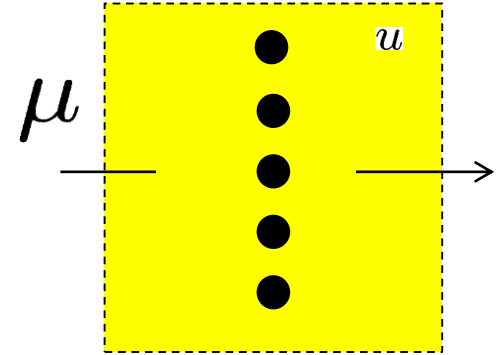
$$c_{a,n}(\Lambda, w) = (\sqrt{\Lambda w})^{n-4} \sum_{k=0}^{+\infty} c_{a,n}^{(k)} w^k$$

μ-functions at LO BFKL

- A “ladder” of cuts generating poles at $u = i\mathbb{Z}$

- Asymptotics $u \rightarrow \infty$ suggests that μ are polynomials at LO

$$\begin{pmatrix} \mu_{12} \\ \mu_{13} \\ \mu_{14} \\ \mu_{24} \\ \mu_{34} \end{pmatrix} \simeq \begin{pmatrix} u^0 \\ u^3 \\ u^2 \\ u^1 \\ u^4 \end{pmatrix}$$



- They also can be multiplied by a regular periodic function $\cosh(\pi u) + \text{const}$

- Now we apply the P_μ -equation $\tilde{P}_a = \mu_{ab} P^b$ using the rule $\tilde{x}(u) = \frac{1}{x(u)}$

and fix μ -functions by parity and regularity conditions:

$$\mu_{12}^+ = \frac{\cosh^2 \pi u}{\pi^2 \Lambda^2 w^2} \frac{-4i}{(\Delta^2 - 1)^2},$$

$$\mu_{13}^+ = \frac{\cosh^2 \pi u u (4u^2 + 1)}{\pi^2 \Lambda^2 w^2} \frac{1}{48},$$

$$\mu_{14}^+ = \frac{\cosh^2 \pi u (4u^2 + 1)}{\pi^2 \Lambda^2 w^2} \frac{1}{32},$$

$$\mu_{24}^+ = \frac{\cosh^2 \pi u u}{\pi^2 \Lambda^2 w^2} \frac{1}{4},$$

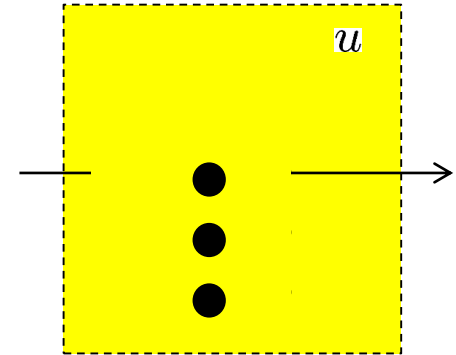
$$\mu_{34}^+ = \frac{\cosh^2 \pi u i (\Delta^2 - 1)^2}{\pi^2 \Lambda^2 w^2} \frac{1}{12288} (4u^2 - 3)(4u^2 + 1).$$

- At the same time we fix the missing coefficient in \mathbf{P} $c_{3,1}^{(1)} = -\frac{i(\Delta^2 - 1)^2}{96}$

Analytic properties of Q-functions

- Natural objects for approaching BFKL are **Q**-functions: their asymptotics contain conformal charges, including Δ

$$\begin{pmatrix} Q_1 \\ Q_2 \\ Q_3 \\ Q_4 \end{pmatrix} \sim \begin{pmatrix} u^{\frac{\Delta+1-w}{2}} \\ u^{\frac{\Delta-3+w}{2}} \\ u^{\frac{-\Delta+1-w}{2}} \\ u^{\frac{-\Delta-3+w}{2}} \end{pmatrix}$$



- A “ladder” of cuts generating poles at $u = i\mathbb{Z}_-$
- From purely algebraic relations of Q-system we get a 4-th order finite difference equation with 4 solutions giving all 4 **Q**-functions:

$$0 = Q^{[+4]}D_0 - Q^{[+2]} \left[D_1 - \mathbf{P}_a^{[+2]} \mathbf{P}^{a[+4]} D_0 \right] + \frac{1}{2} Q \left[D_3 + \mathbf{P}_a \mathbf{P}^{a[+4]} D_0 + \mathbf{P}_a \mathbf{P}^{a[+2]} D_1 \right] + \text{c.c.}$$

- The coefficients depend only on **P**-functions: $D_m = \det_{1 \leq a, k \leq 4} (\mathbf{P}^a)^{[4-2k+2\delta_{k,m}]}$
- Plugging here the LO **P**-functions we get an equation factorized as follows

$$\left[(u + 2i)^2 D + (u - 2i)^2 D^{-1} - 2u^2 - \frac{17 - \Delta^2}{4} \right] \times \left[D + D^{-1} - 2 - \frac{1 - \Delta^2}{4u^2} \right] Q = 0$$

- 2-nd order equation is the Faddeev-Korchemsky-Baxter eq. for BFKL pomeron !

Finding the BFKL dimension

- We need to find the NLO for μ , \mathbf{P} , \mathbf{Q} and the LO for ω
For that we also have to solve the Q- ω system at the leading order
- Using explicit LO solution for \mathbf{Q} and for $\tilde{\mathbf{Q}} = \omega\mathbf{Q}$ we find at the pole in $u=0$

$$Q_3(u) \simeq 2i\omega\Lambda Q_3(0) \frac{\Psi(\Delta)}{u} + \text{regular}(u) + \mathcal{O}(w^2)$$

$$\Psi(\Delta) = -\psi\left(\frac{1+\Delta}{2}\right) - \psi\left(\frac{1-\Delta}{2}\right) + 2\psi(1)$$

Finding the BFKL Dimension

- On the other hand, from the explicit knowledge of NLO \mathbf{P} we find the 4'th order NLO equation for \mathbf{Q} which factorizes again, to give for $j=1,3$

$$Q_j \left(\frac{\Delta^2 - 1 - 8u^2}{4u^2} + w \frac{(\Delta^2 - 1)\Lambda - u^2}{2u^4} \right) + Q_j^- \left(1 - \frac{iw/2}{u - i} \right) + Q_j^{++} \left(1 + \frac{iw/2}{u + i} \right) = 0$$

with explicit solution for $Q = \alpha Q_1 + \beta Q_3$

$$Q = \frac{\sqrt{\omega}(u^2 - 2\Lambda\omega)}{iu - \frac{\omega}{4} - i\sqrt{2\Lambda\omega}} \frac{\Gamma\left(iu - \frac{\omega}{4} + i\sqrt{2\Lambda\omega}\right)}{\Gamma\left(-iu - \frac{\omega}{4} - i\sqrt{2\Lambda\omega}\right)} {}_3F_2\left(\frac{1 - \Delta}{2}, \frac{1 + \Delta}{2}, -iu - \frac{\omega - i\sqrt{32\Lambda\omega}}{4}; -\frac{w}{2}, 2i\sqrt{2\Lambda\omega} + 1; 1\right)$$

- Comparing its value at the pole $Q = \frac{4\sqrt{-2\Lambda} \cos\left(\frac{\pi\Delta}{2}\right)}{\pi} \left(1 - \frac{iw}{2u}\right) + \mathcal{O}(w^2)$

and using that $Q_1(0) = 0$ we fix $\beta Q_3(0) = \frac{\sqrt{-8\Lambda} \cos\left(\frac{\pi\Delta}{2}\right)}{\pi}$

- This allows to fix the dimension and restore the LO Kotikov-Lipatov formula

$$\frac{S + 1}{4g^2} = -\psi\left(\frac{1}{2} - \frac{\Delta}{2}\right) - \psi\left(\frac{1}{2} + \frac{\Delta}{2}\right) + 2\psi(1) + \mathcal{O}(g^2)$$

Conclusions, comments, future directions

- We proposed a concise system of matrix Riemann-Hilbert equations – Quantum Spectral Curve - for exact spectrum of anomalous dimensions of planar N=4 SYM theory in 4D.
- BFKL dimension in LO is recovered; regular BFKL expansion (NLO, NNLO, ...) is possible.
Consequences for scattering theory in Regge limit and a link to QCD pomeron.
- Hopefully efficient for numeric. In particular, the full curve $\Delta(S, g)$ could be restored numerically.
- Applicable for Wilson loops and quark-antiquark potential in N=4 SYM
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- Very efficient for various approximations: weak coupling (9 loops!) and strong coupling (3 loops) expansions exact slope and curvature functions: Volin

$$\Delta(S, g) - \Delta_0 = \Delta'(g) S + \Delta''(g) S^2 + O(S^3)$$

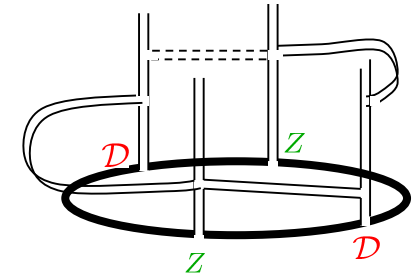
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Perturbative Konishi: integrability versus Feynman graphs

$$\mathcal{O}_{\text{Konishi}} = \text{Tr} [\mathcal{D}, Z]^2$$

- Integrability allows to sum exactly enormous numbers of Feynman diagrams of N=4 SYM



$$\Delta = 4 + 12g^2 - 48g^4 + 336g^6 + 96g^8 (-26 + 6\zeta_3 - 15\zeta_5)$$

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Velizhanin, Orlova
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$$-96g^{10} (-158 - 72\zeta_3 + 54\zeta_3^2 + 90\zeta_5 - 315\zeta_7)$$

$$-48g^{12} (160 + 5472\zeta_3 - 3240\zeta_3\zeta_5 + 432\zeta_3^2 - 2340\zeta_5 - 1575\zeta_7 + 10206\zeta_9)$$

$$+48g^{14} (-44480 + 108960\zeta_3 + 8568\zeta_3\zeta_5 - 40320\zeta_3\zeta_7 - 8784\zeta_3^2 + 2592\zeta_3^3 \\ - 4776\zeta_5 - 20700\zeta_5^2 - 26145\zeta_7 - 17406\zeta_9 + 152460\zeta_{11})$$

$$+96g^{16} (566752 - 869760\zeta_3 - 45360\zeta_3\zeta_5 - 64890\zeta_3\zeta_7 + 241920\zeta_3\zeta_9 + 82656\zeta_3^2 - 33912\zeta_3^2\zeta_5 + 20736\zeta_3^3 \\ - 204984\zeta_5 + 231840\zeta_5\zeta_7 + 24840\zeta_5^2 + 227799\zeta_7 + 97164\zeta_9 + 135927\zeta_{11} - 1104246\zeta_{13})$$

Leurent, Volin
(8 loops from FiNLIE)

$$+ 7128 \frac{\zeta_{11} - \zeta_3\zeta_{3,5} + \zeta_{3,5,3}}{5}$$

Volin
(9-loops from spectral curve)

$$-96g^{18} (10568224 - 11884608\zeta_3 + 148896\zeta_3\zeta_5 - 177768\zeta_3\zeta_5^2 - 354384\zeta_3\zeta_7 - 1244484\zeta_3\zeta_9 + 2901096\zeta_{11}\zeta_3 \\ + 533952\zeta_3^2 + 284904\zeta_3^2\zeta_5 - 229824\zeta_3^2\zeta_7 + 209952\zeta_3^3 - 5993280\zeta_5 + 963954\zeta_5\zeta_7 + 2553120\zeta_5\zeta_9 - 576000\zeta_5^2 \\ + 2324196\zeta_7 + 1184274\zeta_7^2 + 2573892\zeta_9 + 355266\zeta_{11} + 2644434\zeta_{13} - 15810795\zeta_{15} \\ + 163296 \frac{\zeta_{11} - \zeta_3\zeta_{3,5} + \zeta_{3,5,3}}{5} - 13608 (\zeta_3\zeta_{3,7} - \zeta_{3,7,3} + \zeta_3^2\zeta_5 - \zeta_5\zeta_{5,3} + \zeta_{5,3,5}))$$

- Confirmed up to 5 loops by direct graph calculus (6 loops promised)

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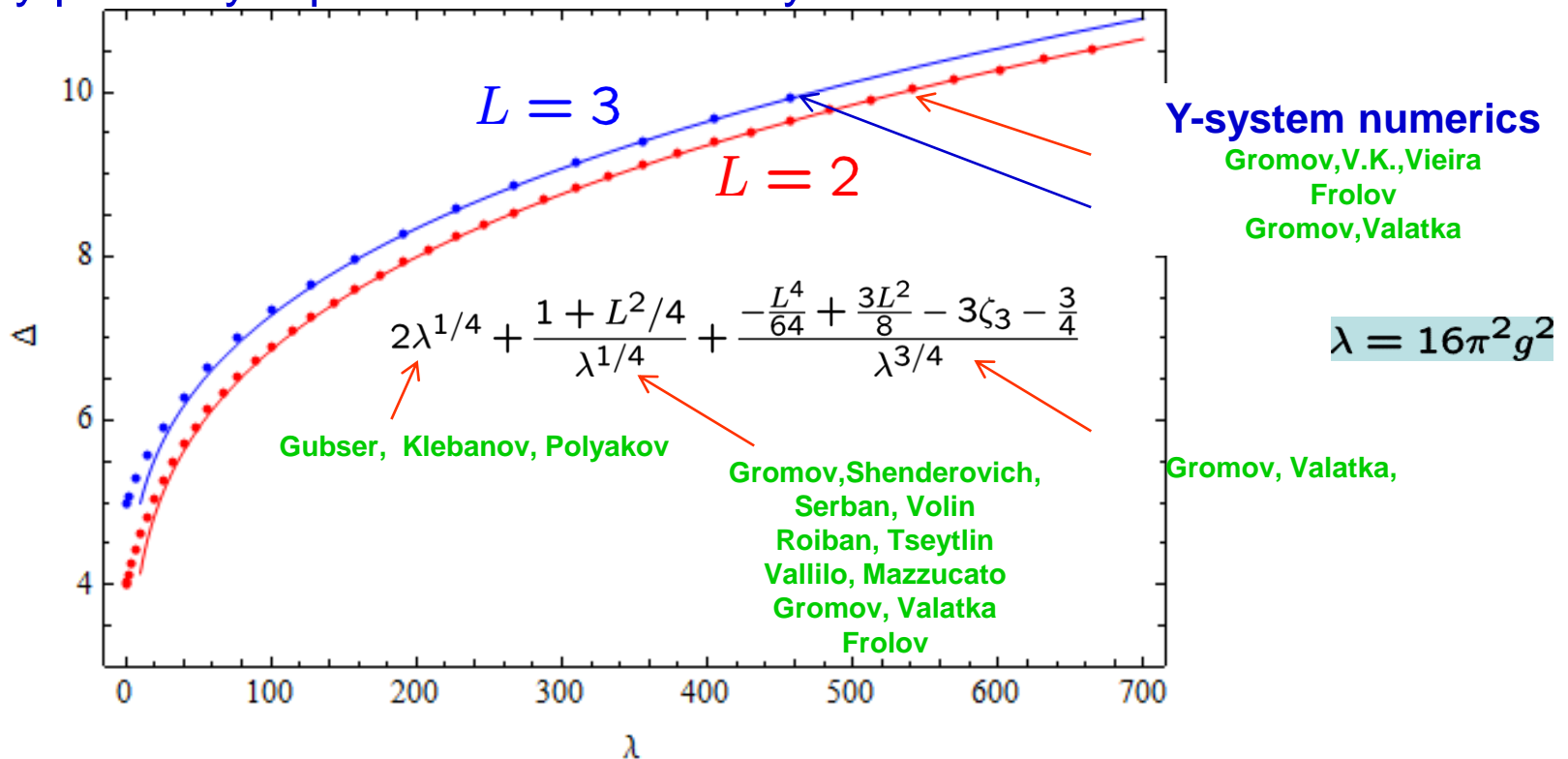
AdS string quasiclassics and numerics in SL(2) sector: twist-L operators of spin S $\text{Tr } \mathcal{D}^S Z^L$

- 3 leading strong coupling terms were calculated for any S and L
 - Numerics from Y-system, TBA, FiNLIE, at any coupling:

$S = 2, L = 2, n = 1$ - for Konishi operator

$S = 2, L = 3, n = 1$ - and twist-3 operator

They perfectly reproduce the TBA/Y-system or FiNLIE numerics



- AdS/CFT Integrability passes all known tests!

