

(Mem)Branes and Integrable Systems

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- Dynamics of D-Branes in $\mathcal{N} = 4$ SYM
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- Worldvolume description of membranes
(Work in progress)
- Lessons from Quantum Spin Chains in both theories

$\mathcal{N} = 4SYM$ on $R \times S^3$

$$S = \int d^4x tr \left[\mathcal{F}^2 + (D\Phi)^2 + g^2 [\Phi^i, \Phi^j]^2 + Fermions \right]$$

Computation of Anomalous Dimensions

Dilatation Operator \rightarrow Matrix Model $\xrightarrow{1/N \rightarrow 0}$
Spin Chain

$$D = D_0 + \lambda D_1 + \lambda^2 D_2 + \dots$$

Local Composite Operators \rightarrow States of the
Dilatation Operator

Traces \rightarrow Closed Spin Chains

$$\text{e.g. } tr Z^k \rightarrow | \uparrow \uparrow \cdots \uparrow \rangle \quad tr(ZWZZ) \rightarrow | \uparrow \downarrow \uparrow \uparrow \rangle$$

$Z = \Phi^i + i\Phi^2, W = \Phi^3 + i\Phi^4$: $SU(2)$ Sector

Baryon Like operators of $O(N)$: Giant Gravitons

$$\epsilon_{i_1 \dots i_N} \epsilon^{j_1 \dots j_N} (Z_{j_1}^{i_1} \dots Z_{j_N}^{i_N})$$

Maximal BPS Giant: Charged Under $U(1)$

Multi-Charge BPS Giants:

$$\text{e.g. } \epsilon_{i_1 \dots i_{N-1} i_N}^{j_1 \dots j_{N-1} j_N} ((Z_{j_1}^{i_1} \dots Z_{j_{N-1}}^{i_{N-1}}) (W_{j_N}^{i_N}))$$

$$\epsilon_{i_1 \dots i_{N-1} i_N}^{j_1 \dots j_{N-1} j_N} ((Z_{j_1}^{i_1} \dots Z_{j_{N-1}}^{i_{N-1}}) (\Psi_{j_N}^{i_N}))$$

Non-BPS Giants

$$\epsilon_{i_1 \dots i_{N-1} i_N}^{j_1 \dots j_{N-1} j_N} ((Z_{j_1}^{i_1} \dots Z_{j_{N-1}}^{i_{N-1}}) (W Z Z W Z W W \dots W)_{j_N}^{i_N})$$

SYM Picture of an open string ending on a brane

Mixing of Non-BPS giants: Notions of planarity etc are much more involved than those for the traces

Non BPS Giants:

$$\Theta(Z^{N-1}, C) = \epsilon_{i_1 \dots i_{N-1} i_N}^{j_1 \dots j_{N-1} j_N} (Z_{j_1}^{i_1} \dots Z_{j_{N-1}}^{i_{N-1}})(C_{j_N}^{i_N})$$

$$C = (WZZWZZWW \dots ZW)$$

SYM picture of Open Strings Coupled To Giant Gravitons

$$<\Theta(Z^{N-1}, C), \Theta(Z^{N-1}, C)>_{Free} \sim ([N-1]!)^3 N^{|C|+1}$$

$$\Theta(Z^{N-1}, ZC') \sim \frac{1}{N^2} \det[Z] \text{tr}[C']$$

Closure Under Dilatation...

$$D\Theta(Z^{N-1}, C) = \sum_i \Theta(Z^{N-1}, C_i)$$

$$C = (WZW \cdots ZZW)$$

$$D = D_0 + \frac{\lambda}{N} D_1 + \frac{\lambda^2}{N^2} D_2 + O(\lambda^3)$$

One Loop:

$$D_1 = -\text{tr}[A^{\dagger Z}, A^{\dagger W}][A_Z, A_W]$$

Interaction of Boundary W with the Z s on the Brane Does Not Produce Anything of $O(1)$

Mixing is Described Once Again by (Open) Spin Chains

$$D_1 = \sum_{l=1}^{L-1} (\lambda) Q_1^Z Q_J^Z (I - P_{l,l+1}) Q_1^Z Q_J^Z$$

(Berenstein and Vasquez '05)

The One Loop Bethe Ansatz:
Ground State:

$$\epsilon_{i_1 \dots i_{N-1} i_N}^{j_1 \dots j_{N-1} j_N} (Z_{j_1}^{i_1} \dots Z_{j_{N-1}}^{i_{N-1}}) (WWWW \dots WWW)^{i_N}_{j_N}$$

2 Magnon State

$$|\Psi_2\rangle = \sum_{x < y} \Psi(x, y) |x, y\rangle$$

with

$$\Psi(x, y) = \sum_p \sigma(p) A(k_i, k_2) e^{i(k_1 x_1 + k_2 x_2)}$$

$$\frac{\alpha(k_i)\beta(k_i)}{\alpha(-k_i)\beta(-k_i)} = \prod_{j \neq i} \frac{S(-k_i, k_j)}{S(k_i, k_j)}$$

$$\begin{aligned}\alpha(-k) &= e^{2ik} - e^{ik} \\ \beta(k) &= e^{i(L-1)k} - e^{iLk}\end{aligned}$$

$$S(k_1, k_2) = 1 - 2e^{ik_2} + e^{i(k_1 + k_2)}$$

$$E = 4\lambda \sum_i \left(\sin^2\left(\frac{k_i}{2}\right) \right)$$

One Loop Dilatation Operator \rightarrow Heisenberg
Chain with Open Boundary Conditions

Closed Chains in $su(2)$ Sector \in Well Known
Integrable Long Ranged Spin Chains (Till $O(\lambda^3)$)

Not So in the Open String Sector

$$C = (WZWW \cdots ZZWW)$$

Two Loops:

$$\begin{aligned}
D_2 = & \text{tr}(\frac{1}{2}[A_Z, A_W][A^{\dagger Z}, [A_Z, [A^{\dagger Z}, A^{\dagger W}]]]) \\
& + \frac{1}{2}[A_Z, A_W][A^{\dagger W}, [A_W, [A_Z, A_W]]] \\
& + N[A^{\dagger Z}, A^{\dagger W}][A_Z, A_W])
\end{aligned}$$

(BKS 2003)

$$\begin{aligned}
H = & \sum_{l=1}^{J-1} -(2\lambda^2)Q_1^Z Q_J^Z (I - P_{l,l+1}) Q_1^Z Q_J^Z \\
& + \frac{\lambda^2}{2} \sum_{l=1}^{J-2} QZ_1 Q_J^Z (I - P_{l,l+2}) Q_1^Z Q_J^Z \\
& + Q_1^Z Q_J^Z ((I - Q_2^Z) + (I - Q_2^Z)) Q_1^Z Q_J^Z
\end{aligned}$$

Ground State

$$\epsilon_{i_i \dots i_{N-1} i_N}^{j_i \dots j_{N-1} j_N} (Z_{j_1}^{i_1} \dots Z_{j_{N-1}}^{i_{N-1}}) (WWW \dots WWW)_{j_N}^{i_N}$$

Asymptotic solutions.

Boundary scattering

$$\begin{aligned}\alpha(-k) &= (1 - 2g) + ge^{-ik} - ge^{ik} - gE_1(k) \\ \beta(k) &= e^{ik(L+1)} \left((1 - 2g) + ge^{ik} - ge^{-ik} - gE_1(k) \right)\end{aligned}$$

Bulk scattering

$$\frac{\alpha(k_i)\beta(k_i)}{\alpha(-k_i)\beta(-k_i)} = \prod_{j \neq i} S(-k_i, k_j)S(k_j, k_i)$$

$$S(p, p') = \frac{\phi(p) - \phi(p') + i}{\phi(p) - \phi(p') - i}$$

$$\phi(p) = \frac{1}{2} \cot\left(\frac{p}{2}\right) \sqrt{1 + 8\lambda \sin^2\left(\frac{p^2}{2}\right)}$$

Not the solution to the two loop problem!

Spin Chains for Bosonic Membranes

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Outline of the talk:

• Motivation: Bosonic membranes in string theory

• Spin chains for bosonic membranes

• Application: $\mathcal{N}=1$ supersymmetric gauge theories

• Outlook: $\mathcal{N} > 1$ supersymmetric gauge theories

Matrix quantum mechanics with discrete spectra

$$H = \text{Tr} (\Pi_i \Pi_i + \mu_i^2 X_i X_i + \text{Interaction Terms})$$

Examples

- Dilatation operator of $\mathcal{N} = 4$ SYM on $R \times S^3$.
 - Matrix theories on plane wave backgrounds
- Perturbative computation of large N spectrum

$$H = \text{Tr}(\mu_i A^{\dagger i} A_i + \dots)$$

Single trace states

$$\frac{1}{N^{J/2}} \text{Tr} (A^{\dagger i_1} \dots A^{\dagger i_J}) |0\rangle = |i_1 i_2 \dots i_J\rangle$$

$$\mathcal{E}_0 = n_1 \mu_1 + n_2 \mu_2 + \dots$$

Corrections

$$\delta \mathcal{E}_0 \leftrightarrow \text{Quantum spin chains}$$

Matrix Models and Spin Chains (Rajeev and Lee '98)

$$H = \text{Tr} \left(A^{\dagger i} A_i + \frac{\lambda}{N} \Psi_{ij}^{kl} A^{\dagger i} A^{\dagger j} A_k A_l + \dots \right)$$

$$[(A_i)^\alpha_\beta, (A^{\dagger j})^\mu_\nu] = \delta_i^j \delta_\nu^\alpha \delta_\beta^\mu$$

Single trace states \leftrightarrow Spin chains

$$\frac{1}{N^{J/2}} \text{Tr} \left(A^{\dagger i_1} \dots A^{\dagger i_J} \right) |0\rangle = |i_1 i_2 \dots i_J\rangle$$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{1}{N} \text{Tr}(A^{\dagger i} A^{\dagger j} A_k A_l) |i_1 \dots i_J\rangle &= \\ \delta_k^{i_m} \delta_l^{i_{m+1}} |i_1 \dots i_{m-1} i_j i_{m+2} \dots i_J\rangle & \end{aligned}$$

e.g

$$\frac{1}{N} \text{Tr}(A^{\dagger i} A^{\dagger j} A_i A_j) = \sum_l P_{l,l+1}, \text{Tr}(A^{\dagger i} A_i) = J$$

Bosonic membranes in $D + 2$ flat background

$$S = -T \int d^3\sigma \sqrt{-\det h_{\alpha\beta}}$$

The brane tension

$$T = \frac{1}{2\pi l_p^3}$$

Gauge fixed matrix regularized Hamiltonian

$$H = g^3 \text{Tr} (\Pi_i \Pi_i) - \frac{1}{4g^3} \text{Tr} ([X^i, X^j] [X^i, X^j]),$$

$i, j = 1 \cdots D$ and

$$g^3 = 2\pi l_p^3.$$

- Classical flat directions e.g $[X^i, X^j] = 0$
- Numerical and other analyses suggest that quantum spectrum of Bosonic membranes is discrete.
- Quantum mechanical effective potential has a mass term
- Matrix models with discrete spectra \leftrightarrow Quantum spin chains

Dynamical mass generation

$$S = \int dt \frac{1}{2g_{YM}^3} Tr \left(\dot{D}_i \dot{D}_i + m^2 D_i D_i - \frac{\hbar}{2} [D_i, D_j]^2 \right) - \hbar \int dt \frac{m^2}{2g_{YM}^3} Tr(D_i D_i).$$

$$m^2 = m_1^2 + \hbar m_2^2 + \hbar^2 m_3^2 + \dots$$

Propagator

$$\langle (D_i)_b^a(p)(D_j)_d^c(-p) \rangle = \frac{\delta_d^a \delta_b^c \delta_{ij}}{\frac{1}{g_{YM}^3}(p^2 + m^2 - \hbar m^2) + \Sigma(p)}$$

$$\Sigma(p) = \hbar \Sigma_1(p) + \hbar^2 \Sigma_2(p) + \dots$$

One loop gap equation

$$\frac{\hbar m_1^2}{g_{YM}^3} = \hbar \Sigma_1. \Rightarrow m_1 = ((d-1)N)^{\frac{1}{3}} g$$

$$\lambda = g N^{\frac{1}{3}} \rightarrow m = \lambda \mu, \mu = (d-1)^{\frac{1}{3}}$$

Two loops:

$$m = m_1 \left(1 - \frac{\hbar}{6(d-1)} \right).$$

Canonical quantization

$$H = \text{Tr} \left(\frac{1}{2} (\Pi_i \Pi_i) + \frac{m^2}{2} \text{Tr} D_i D_i - \frac{g^3}{4} ([D^i, D^j] [D^i, D^j]) \right)$$

Introduce the matrix creation and annihilation operators

$$H' = \lambda \text{Tr} \left(\mu A^{\dagger i} A_i - \frac{1}{16\mu^2 N} : [A_i + A^{\dagger i}, A_j + A^{\dagger j}]^2 : \right)$$

μ acts a dimensionless expansion parameter for perturbation theory.

Matrix models with Chern-Simons couplings:
Myers Model

$$S = \int dt \text{Tr} \left(\frac{1}{2} \dot{X}_i^2 - \frac{g^3}{4} [X_i, X_j]^2 - \frac{ig^{3/2}\kappa}{3} \epsilon_{ijk} X_i X_j X_k \right).$$

$\rightarrow 0$ Brane QM in IIA theory.

$\rightarrow \kappa =$ Strength of four form flux

$$\kappa^2 = \beta g^2$$

$$m^3 = 2\lambda^3 f(\beta), f(\beta) = 1 - \frac{1}{2^{5/3}}\beta + \dots = \lambda^3 \mu^3$$

't Hooft coupling $\lambda^3 = Ng^3$

Canonically quantized Hamiltonian with the dynamically generated mass

$$H = \lambda \text{Tr} (\mu A^{\dagger i} A_i - \frac{1}{16\mu^2} [A_i + A^{\dagger i}] [A_j + A^{\dagger j}] - i \frac{\sqrt{\beta}}{3(2^{3/2}\mu^{3/2})} \epsilon_{ijk} (A_i + A^{\dagger i})(A_j + A^{\dagger j})(A_k + A^{\dagger k}))$$

One Loop Spin Chains

$$\delta\mathcal{E}_1 \sim <\Psi|V|\Psi>$$

$$H_{so(d)}^1 = \frac{1}{8\mu^2} \sum_l (2I_{l,l+1} - 4P_{l,l+1} + 2K_{l,l+1})$$

$$H_{CS}^1 = \frac{1}{8\mu^2} \sum_i ((2+\theta)I_{l,l+1} + (\theta-4)P_{l,l+1} + (2-\theta)K_{l,l+1})$$

$$\theta = \frac{\beta}{3\mu^2}$$

These chains are generically not integrable

Exception: Bosonic membrane in D=4

QM with 2 matrices: $[D_1, D_2]^2 \rightarrow SO(2)$ invariance

$$H = \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{9}{4} J - \frac{1}{4} \left(\sum_{l=1}^J [\sigma^x(l) \sigma^x(l+1) + \sigma^z(l) \sigma^z(l+1) + 3 \sigma^y(l) \sigma^y(l+1)] \right) \right)$$

$$\mathcal{M}^2 = \lambda \left(\frac{6}{8} J + \sum_{i=1}^m \left(1 + \sin^2\left(\frac{p_i}{2}\right) \right) \right)$$

$$e^{ip_k J} = \prod_{(j \neq k)=1}^m \mathcal{S}(p_k, p_j)$$

$$\mathcal{S}(p_1, p_2) = \frac{1 + e^{i(p_1+p_2)} + 2\delta e^{ip_2}}{1 + e^{i(p_1+p_2)} + 2\delta e^{ip_1}}, \delta = -3$$

$$p_k J = 2n_k \pi + \Theta(p_1, p_2)$$

$$\mathcal{M}^2 = \lambda \left(\frac{6}{8} J + m + \sum_{i=1}^m \left(\frac{n_i \pi}{J} \right)^2 \right)$$

Enhancement of integrability in the large J limit

\mathcal{R} matrix for $so(n)$ spin chains in the vector representation.

$$\mathcal{R} \in End(\mathcal{V}_1 \otimes \mathcal{V}_2)$$

$$\mathcal{R}(u)_{i,j} = I_{i,j} + \frac{\hbar}{u} P_{i,j} + \frac{\hbar}{\hbar g - u} K_{i,j}, g = \left(1 - \frac{n}{2}\right)$$

The transfer matrix

$$\mathcal{T}(u) = \mathcal{R}_{01}(u) \mathcal{R}_{02}(u) \cdots \mathcal{R}_{0J}(u)$$

$$[H, \text{Tr}_0 \mathcal{T}] = 0$$

Most general nearest neighbor Hamiltonian is

$$H = \alpha \sum_{l=1}^J (g P_{l,l+1} - \beta I_{l,l+1} + K_{l,l+1})$$

Relative coefficient of P and K operators is g .

Large J limit as a classical limit

$$\mathcal{R}(u)_{\mu\nu}^i = \delta_{\mu\nu} I(i) + \frac{\hbar}{u} S_{\nu\mu}(i) + \frac{\hbar}{\hbar g - u} S_{\mu\nu}(i)$$

$$[S_{\mu\nu}(i), S_{\alpha\beta}(j)] = \hbar \delta_{i,j} \left(\delta_{\nu\alpha} S_{\mu\beta} - \delta_{\mu\beta} S_{\alpha\nu} \right)$$

RTT relations

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{1}{\hbar} [T_{ab}(u), T_{cd}(v)] &+ \frac{1}{u - v} (T_{ad}(u)T_{cb}(v) - T_{ad}(v)T_{cb}(u)) \\ &= \frac{-1}{\hbar g - (u - v)} \left(\delta_{a,b} T_{lc}(u)T_{ld}(v) - \delta_{c,d} T_{al}(v)T_{bl}(u) \right) \end{aligned}$$

Rescaled variables

$$\hbar = \frac{\hbar'}{J}, u' = \frac{u'}{J}, v' = \frac{v'}{J}, \mathcal{S} = \frac{S}{J}$$

$$t_{ab} = \mathcal{P} \left(e^{\int \frac{1}{u'} w} \right)_{ab}$$

$$\{w_{ij}, w_{kl}\} = \delta_{il} w_{jk} - \delta_{jl} w_{ik} - \delta_{ik} w_{jl} + \delta_{kj} w_{il}$$

$$\{t(u') \otimes t(v')\} = [r(u' - v'), t(u') \otimes t(v')]$$

$$r(x - y) = \frac{1}{x - y} (P - K)$$

Hamiltonian

$$h = \alpha \int \text{Tr}(\partial w \partial w)$$

$$\{h, \text{Tr}t(u)\} = 0$$

h from coherent state expectation value

$$\sum_l (AP_{l,l+1} + BK_{l,l+1}) \xrightarrow{J \rightarrow \infty} \frac{A}{J^2} \int \text{Tr}(\partial w \partial w)$$

Equation of motion

$$\frac{\partial w}{\partial t} = -4\alpha \partial[w, \partial w]$$

Lax connection

$$\begin{aligned}\mathcal{A}_x &= \frac{1}{u}w \\ \mathcal{A}_t &= -\frac{4\alpha}{u}[w, \partial w] + \frac{4\alpha}{u^2}w\end{aligned}$$

Flatness

$$[\partial_t + \mathcal{A}_t, \partial_x + \mathcal{A}_x] = 0 \Leftrightarrow \text{EOM}$$

Monodromy

$$t_{ab} = \mathcal{P} \left(e^{\int \frac{1}{u}w} \right)_{ab}$$

Generic Spectrum at one loop

$$\delta\mathcal{M}^2 = \frac{\lambda}{d} \left(\alpha J + \beta m + \gamma \sum_{i=1}^m \left(\frac{n_i \pi}{J} \right)^2 + \mathcal{O}\left(\frac{1}{J^3}\right) \right)$$

Finite Temperature Computations

$$\mathcal{Z} = \int [dD_i] e^{-\int_0^1 dt \frac{1}{2} \text{tr} \left((\mathcal{D}_0 D_i)^2 + \omega^2 D_i D_i - \frac{(\beta \lambda)^3}{Nn} [D_1, D_2]^2 \right)}$$

$\omega = \beta \lambda$ is a natural expansion parameter

$$\mathcal{Z}_0 = \int [dD_i] [dD_0] e^{-\int_0^1 dt \frac{1}{2} \text{tr} ((\mathcal{D} D_i)^2 + \omega^2 D_i D_i)}$$

Static gauge

$$(D_0)_{ab} = \delta_{ab} d_a$$

Integrate out the matrices and introduce

$$\rho(\theta) = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N \delta(\theta - \beta d_i)$$

$\rho = \frac{1}{2\pi}$ minimizes the effective action

$$S = \int d\theta d\theta' \rho(\theta) \rho(\theta') \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1 - 2e^{-n\beta\lambda}}{n} \cos n(\theta - \theta')$$

Hagedorn temperature

$$T_H = \frac{\lambda}{\ln 2}$$

Potential application to Supermembranes

- Finite temperature M(atrix) theory computations through dynamical mass generation and spin chains
- Mass deformed supermembrane theories other than the BMN matrix model