

The (non-)linear integral equation for $sl(2)$ superconformal
dimensions:
the *status quæstionis* within integrability.

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- ▶ about which, if Fourier transform is **not** enforceable,

$$F_0(u) = f(u) - \int_{-b_0}^{b_0} dv \varphi_0(u, v) F_0(v)$$

- ▶ In terms of the root density $\sigma_0(u) = \frac{d}{du} F_0(u)$

$$\sigma_0(u) = -\frac{4L}{1+4u^2} + 2 \sum_{h=1}^{L-2} \frac{1}{1+(u-u_h^{(i)})^2} + \int_{-b_0}^{b_0} \frac{dv}{\pi} \frac{1}{1+(u-v)^2} \sigma_0(v)$$

- ▶ Large s , up to $O(1/\ln s)$ – coming **only** from the **internal holes** –, finite L

$$\hat{\sigma}_0(k) = -4\pi \frac{\frac{L}{2} - e^{-\frac{|k|}{2}} \cos \frac{ks}{\sqrt{2}}}{2 \sinh \frac{|k|}{2}} + 2\pi(L-2) \frac{e^{-\frac{|k|}{2}}}{2 \sinh \frac{|k|}{2}} - (4\pi \ln 2) \delta(k)$$

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$$Z_0 = F_0(u) + 2(G_0 \star L_0)(u) \approx F_0(u)$$

- about which, if Fourier transform is **not** enforceable,

$$F_0(u) = f(u) - \int_{-b_0}^{b_0} dv \varphi_0(u, v) F_0(v)$$

- In terms of the root density $\sigma_0(u) = \frac{d}{du} F_0(u)$

$$\sigma_0(u) = -\frac{4L}{1+4u^2} + 2 \sum_{h=1}^{L-2} \frac{1}{1+(u-u_h^{(i)})^2} + \int_{-b_0}^{b_0} \frac{dv}{\pi} \frac{1}{1+(u-v)^2} \sigma_0(v)$$

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One-loop conserved charges

- ▶ Single particle expression

$$q_r(v) = \frac{i}{r-1} \left[\frac{1}{(v + \frac{i}{2})^{r-1}} - \frac{1}{(v - \frac{i}{2})^{r-1}} \right]$$

- ▶ then the eigenvalues of the charges are given by

$$Q_r = - \int_{-b_0}^{b_0} \frac{dv}{2\pi} q_r(v) \sigma_0(v) - \sum_{h=1}^{H_i} q_r(u_h^{(i)}) + o(s^0)$$

- ▶ in particular for the energy, beyond the leading logarithm

$$Q_2 = E = 4 \ln s + 4(\gamma_E - (L-2) \ln 2) + o(s^0)$$

- ▶ mathes exact Q results for $L = 2, 3$ [Beccaria; Kotikov, Lipatov, Rej, Staudacher, Velizhanin]

Many loops in blue, string factor in red

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The anomalous dimension or energy

- ▶ Only the leading term of the inhomogeneous term: the BES equation for the scaling function $f(g)$

$$\gamma(g, s, L) = g^2 E(g, s, L) = f(g) \ln s + f_1(g, L) + O\left(\frac{1}{\ln s}\right)$$

- ▶ Next to the leading order, i.e. $f_1(g, L)$

$$E(g, s, L) = h(g, s, L) - \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} \frac{dv}{2\pi} \left[\frac{i}{x^+(v)} - \frac{i}{x^-(v)} \right] \sigma^H(v) + o(s^0)$$

with the one loop contribution

$$h(g, s, L) = - \int_{-b_0}^{b_0} \frac{dv}{2\pi} \left[\frac{i}{x^+(v)} - \frac{i}{x^-(v)} \right] \sigma_0(v) - (L-2) \left[\frac{i}{x^+(0)} - \frac{i}{x^-(0)} \right]$$

- ▶ An all loop contribution proportional to the BES density $\sigma^{BES}(u)$

$$\sigma^H(u) = \frac{h(g, s, L)}{4 \ln s} \sigma^{BES}(u) + \sigma^{extra}(u)$$

- ▶ entails, finally, the better form

$$E(g, s) = \frac{1}{4} h(g, s, L) f(g) + E^{extra}(g, s) + o(s^0)$$

The anomalous dimension at weak coupling

- ▶ No further structure beyond BES part, but small g expansion

$$E^{extra}(g, s) = -2g^2 L\zeta(3) + \frac{2}{3}\pi^2 g^4 L\zeta(3) - \pi^2 g^4 \zeta(3) + 9Lg^4 \zeta(5) + O(g^6)$$

$$h(g, s, L) = 4 \ln s + 4\gamma_E - 4(L-2) \ln 2 + g^2(6L-14)\zeta(3) + g^4(62-30L)\zeta(5) + \dots$$

- ▶ Agreement with the results at weak coupling from the NLIE by [Freyhult, Rej, Staudacher]
- ▶ Kotikov-Lipatov property for the scaling function $f(g)$ can be extended for the whole range of g

$$\hat{\sigma}^H(0) = \pi g^2 E(g, s) = \pi \gamma(g, s)$$

- ▶ The LIE controls also all the $O(1/\ln s)$ corrections up to $O(\ln s/s)$ (determined by the non-linear integrals)

The other conserved charges

- Deformation of the XXX charges, $r = 3, 4, \dots$

$$Q_r(g, s) = \frac{i}{r-1} \sum_{k=1}^s \left[\left(\frac{1}{x^+(u_k)} \right)^{r-1} - \left(\frac{1}{x^-(u_k)} \right)^{r-1} \right]$$

- Weak coupling expansion

$$Q_r(g, s) = Q_{r,0}(s) + Q_{r,1}(s)g^2 + Q_{r,2}(s)g^4 + O(g^6)$$

$$Q_{r,0}(s) = \frac{2(-1)^{\frac{r}{2}-1} \zeta(r-1)}{r-1} [(2-2^{r-1})L - 2(1-2^{r-1})] + o(s^0),$$

$$Q_{r,1}(s) = 4(-1)^{\frac{r}{2}} \zeta(r) [\ln s + \gamma_E - (L-2) \ln 2] + \\ + L(-1)^{\frac{3r}{2}} (r+2-2^{r+1}) \zeta(r+1) + 2(-1)^{\frac{3r}{2}} (2^{r+1}-1) \zeta(r+1) + o(s^0),$$

$$Q_{r,2}(s) = \dots \text{did not fit the page} \dots$$

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The generalised scaling functions

- ▶ Let us consider the double scaling limit [Belitski, Gorksy, Korchemsky; Frolov, Tseytlin]

$$s \rightarrow \infty, L \rightarrow \infty, j = \frac{L}{\ln s} \text{ fixed}$$

- ▶ The anomalous dimension enjoys the form

$$\gamma(g, s, L) = f(g, j) \ln s + \dots$$

- ▶ Let us study the generalised scaling function as this expansion

$$f(g, j) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} f_n(g) j^n = f_0(g) + f_1(g)j + f_2(g)j^2 + \dots \quad (1)$$

- ▶ $f_0(g) = f(g)$. Instead $f_1(g)$ comes out by keeping only terms proportional to L , $f_2(g)$ to L^2 , etc.:

$$\sigma_H(u) = \left[\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \sigma_H^{(n)}(u) j^n \right] \ln s + \dots$$

- ▶ Let us focus on $f_1(g)$: then we have proved that in general for $f_n(g)$ similar situation.

The first generalised scaling function $f_1(g)$

[DF, Grinza, Rossi]

- ▶ For any $f_n(g)$: kernel still BES, i.e. Bessel functions (from dressing $\theta(u, v)$ and $x^\pm(u)$). Inhomogeneous term changes with n and depends on $\sigma_H^{(n-2)}(u)$ and $\sigma_0(u) \Rightarrow$ only one-loop density for $f_1(g)$!

$$s(k) = \frac{\sinh(|k|/2)}{\pi|k|} \hat{\sigma}_H^{(1)}(k) \implies f_1(g) = 2s(0)$$

- ▶ \Rightarrow solution as Neumann-Bessel series

$$s(k) = \sum_{p=1}^{\infty} s_p(g) \frac{J_p(\sqrt{2}gk)}{k}$$

- ▶ Equivalent to an infinite linear system

$$\frac{s_{2p}(g)}{2p} = -\bar{a}_{2p}(g) - 2 \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} Z_{2p,2m}(g)(2 + s_{2m}(g)) + 2 \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} Z_{2p,2m-1}(g)s_{2m-1}(g)$$

$$\frac{s_{2p-1}(g)}{2p-1} = -a_{2p-1}(g) - 2 \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} Z_{2p-1,2m}(g)(2 + s_{2m}(g)) - 2 \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} Z_{2p-1,2m-1}(g)s_{2m-1}(g)$$

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$$Z_{n,m}(g) = \int_0^\infty \frac{dh}{h} \frac{J_n(\sqrt{2}gh)J_m(\sqrt{2}gh)}{e^{h-1}}$$

Exact asymptotic expansions

- ▶ Strong coupling expansion

$$s_{2m}(g) \doteq \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{s_{2m}^{(n)}}{g^n}, \quad s_{2m-1}(g) \doteq \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{s_{2m-1}^{(n)}}{g^n}$$

- ▶ All-order solution

$$s_{2m}^{(2n)} = -2m \frac{\Gamma(m+n)}{\Gamma(m-n+1)} 2^{-n} \sum_{k=0}^n \frac{E_{2k} 2^{2k}}{(2k)!(2n-2k)!},$$

$$s_{2m-1}^{(2n)} = 0; \quad n \geq 0, \quad m \geq 1,$$

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$$\Downarrow \\ f_1(g) \doteq -1$$

- ▶ Agreement with semi-classical ($g \rightarrow \infty$) string expansion ($j \sim g$), though different order of limits

$$\Delta - s - L = \gamma(g, s, L) = \left(f(g) - j + O(j^3) \right) \ln s + \dots$$

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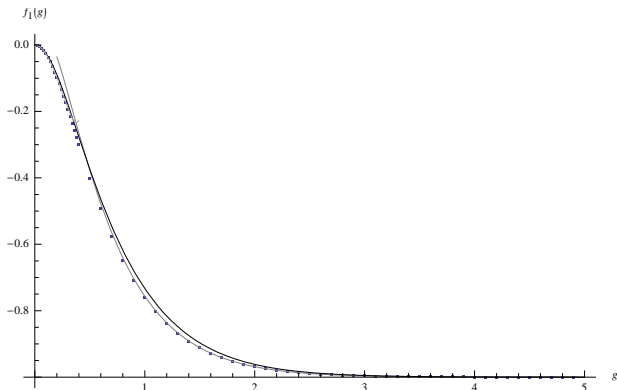
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An attempt at summing

- ▶ A *wrong* summation for interpolating weak and strong coupling

$$\tilde{f}_1(g) = -2\sqrt{2}g \int_0^\infty \frac{dt}{t} \frac{\sinh t}{\cosh 2t} J_1(2\sqrt{2}gt)$$

- ▶ Yet, the correct exponential non-perturbative $e^{-\pi g/\sqrt{2}}$ at strong coupling (cf. $O(6)$ mass gap) and a good estimate at all g



Recent developments

[DF, Grinza, Rossi]

- As $L \rightarrow \infty$ internal holes open a gap both at 1-loop, $(-c_0, c_0)$ and at higher loops $(-c, c) \Rightarrow$ expansion of forcing terms and normalisations:

$$\int_{-c_0(j)}^{c_0(j)} du \sigma_0(u) = -2\pi(L-2) + \dots; \quad \int_{-c(j)}^{c(j)} du (\sigma_0(u) + \sigma^H(u)) = -2\pi(L-2) + \dots$$

- Higher order generalised scaling functions from the iteration on n in

$$\sigma_H(u) = \left[\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \sigma_H^{(n)}(u) j^n \right] \ln s + \dots$$

- $f_2(g) = 0 \leftrightarrow$ [Freyhult, Rej, Staudacher]
- $f_3(g) = \frac{\pi^2}{24 m(g)} \leftrightarrow$ [Basso, Korchemsky]
- $f_4(g) = -\frac{\pi}{24 m(g)^2} (2 \ln 2 + \pi) \leftrightarrow$ **interaction and $O(6)$ and not reducible to BES**
- Exact $O(6)$ energy expansion in the IR $j \ll m$: checks and predictions [Buccheri, DF]

$$f(j, g) = 2\epsilon_{O(6)}(j/2, g) = m(g)j + \frac{\pi^2}{24 m(g)} j^3 - \frac{\pi}{24 m(g)^2} (2 \ln 2 + \pi) j^4 + \\ + \frac{\pi^4}{16 m(g)^3} \left[-\frac{1}{40} + \frac{1}{\pi^3} \left(\frac{2 \ln 2 + \pi}{\pi} \right)^2 \right] j^5 + \dots$$

- SYSTEMATICS on $f_5(g), f_6(g), f_7(g), f_8(g)$ etc.: 1) recursive system; 2) reducible and **not** to BES.

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- ▶ Applied to the Bethe Ansatz equations of the $sl(2)$ sector of $\mathcal{N} = 4$ SYM
- ▶ Calculations of high spin subleading corrections to the conserved charges, at weak and strong coupling
- ▶ Computation of the limit high spin, s , large twist, L , fixed ratio $j = L/\ln s$, at weak and strong coupling. And use of the S-matrix Bethe Ansatz.
- ▶ Comparisons with string results in the $O(6)$ limit and beyond (not available):

$$m_{i,SYM}(g) = m(g) + O(m^3) = \kappa g^{1/4} e^{-\frac{\pi}{\sqrt{2}}g} \left(1 + \frac{a_1}{g} + \dots\right) + c_i g^{-3/4} e^{-\frac{3\pi}{\sqrt{2}}g} + \dots$$

in other words: 1) computation of a_1 (for the string two loops) and the rest of the Brezin–Zinn-Justin function (higher loops), 2) computation of the $O(6)$ departures, i.e. c_i .

- ▶ Hints for new *physics* (new eqs. not reducible to BES): is string theory a lattice theory (dispersion relation)?

...and Perspectives

- ▶ a_1 enters the constant part of the two-loop string result: two loop discrepancy resolved in favour of Bethe Ansatz. [Gromov]
- ▶ All loop predictions when $y = \frac{j}{g} \ll 1$ from $O(6)$ and beyond.
- ▶ String theory computations for fixed j : origin of the mass-gaps (non-analytic in g)?
- ▶ Analysis of regular structures for the anomalous dimension at weak coupling: reciprocity equation.
- ▶ Better systematics of the expansion of the generalised scaling function.
- ▶ Other sectors of $\mathcal{N} = 4$ SYM.
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