

Duality Relations for Overlaps of Integrable Boundary States in AdS/CFT

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Based on:

- C.K., D. Müller & K. Zarembo, [ArXiv:2005.01392\[hep-th\]](#), JHEP 08 (2020) 103, [ArXiv:2011.12192\[hep-th\]](#), JHEP 03 (2021) 100, [ArXiv:2106.08116\[hep-th\]](#), JHEP 09 (2021) 004

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Motivation

- Exploit "microscopic" dualities within AdS/CFT (pertaining to underlying $\mathfrak{psu}(2,2|4)$ integrable super spin chain)
- Overlaps between spin chain eigenstates and Matrix Product States or Valence Bond States encode information about correlation fcts. in AdS/CFT (1-pt fcts, 3-pt fcts and others)
- The same type of overlaps are interesting for the study of quantum quenches in stat. mech.
- Fermionic dualities allow one to move between different Dynkin diagrams of the underlying super Lie algebra
- Bosonic dualities complete the possible set of dualities (QQ-system)
- Duality relations might constrain overlap formulas

Plan of the talk

- I. Overlaps and AdS/dCFT
- II. The Structure of overlap formulas
- III. Fermionic duality relations for overlaps
- IV. Bosonic duality relations for overlaps
- V. Future directions

AdS/CFT

$\mathcal{N} = 4$ SYM in 4D \longleftrightarrow IIB strings on $AdS_5 \times S^5$

Conformal operators \longleftrightarrow String states

Maldacena '98
Gubser, Klebanov
& Polyakov '98
Witten '98

Eigenstates of integrable super spin chain: $|\mathbf{u}\rangle$

Minahan & Zarembo '02
Beisert, C.K. Staudacher '03
Beisert & Staudacher '04, '05

AdS/dCFT

Karch & Randall '01

$\mathcal{N} = 4$ SYM in 4D
with co-dimension one defect \longleftrightarrow IIB strings on $AdS_5 \times S^5$
Karch-Randall probe brane

$|B\rangle$ integrable boundary state describing defect / probe brane

De Leeuw, C.K.
Zarembo '15

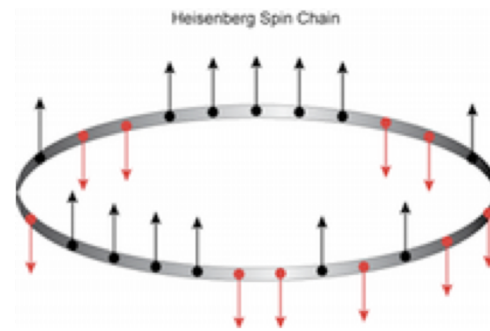
Similar idea: $|B\rangle \sim$ determinant operator/giant graviton

Jiang, Komatsu
Vescovi '19

Example: $SU(2)$ Heisenberg spin-1/2 chain

Encodes conformal single trace operators built from two complex fields X (vacuum) and Y (excitations)

$$H = \sum_{n=1}^L (1 - P_{n,n+1})$$



$|\{u_i\}_{i=1}^K\rangle \equiv |\mathbf{u}\rangle$: Eigenstates with K excitations where

$$1 = \left(\frac{u_k - \frac{i}{2}}{u_k + \frac{i}{2}} \right)^L \prod_{j \neq k}^K \frac{u_k - u_j + \frac{i}{2}}{u_k - u_j - \frac{i}{2}} = e^{i\chi_k}$$

Bethe equations
 $k = 1, \dots, K$

Baxter polynomials (Q-functions):

$$Q(u) = \prod_{j=1}^K (u - u_j), \quad Q_\theta(u) = u^L$$

$$\langle \mathbf{u} | \mathbf{u} \rangle \propto \det G, \quad G_{kj} = \frac{\partial \chi_k}{\partial u_j}$$

Gaudin matrix

Integrable boundary states $|B\rangle$ in AdS/dCFT

Bethe eigenstate of integrable spin chain

$\langle B|\mathbf{u}\rangle$ computable in closed form

Matrix product states

$$|B\rangle = |\text{MPS}\rangle = \sum_{\{s_i\}} \text{Tr}(t_{s_1} \dots t_{s_L}) |s_1 \dots s_L\rangle$$

Valence Bond States

$$|\text{VBS}\rangle = |K\rangle^{\otimes \frac{L}{2}}, \quad K = \sum_{s_1, s_2} K_{s_1, s_2} |s_1 s_2\rangle$$

Integrability understood in a scattering picture

$$\mathbf{Q}_{2n+1} |B\rangle = 0$$

Conserved parity-odd charges of spin chain

Ghoshal &
Zamolodchikov '94
Piroli, Pozsgay
Vernier '17

Motivation

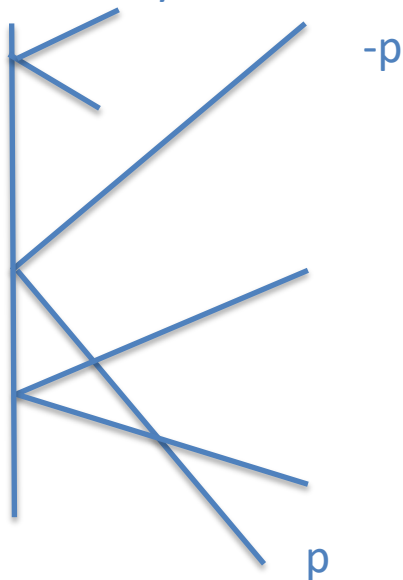
(i) Fullfilled for all cases where closed overlap formula is known

(ii) Discrete version of integrable boundary state condition

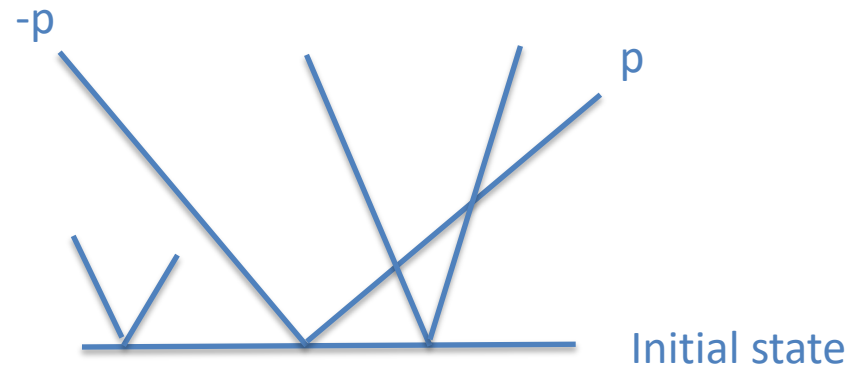
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Ghoshal,
Zamolodchikov '93

Boundary



Wick rotation



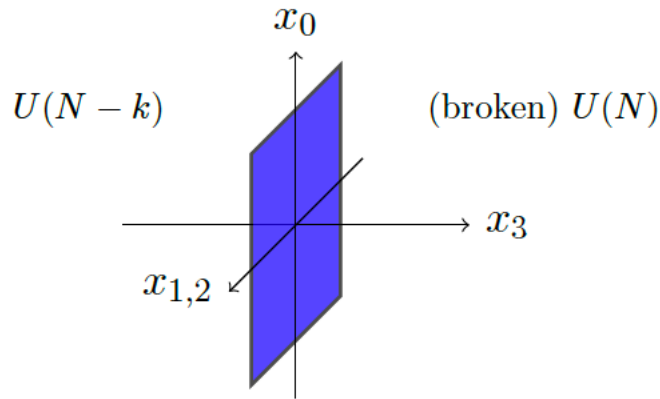
Pure reflection
+BYB for reflection matrix

Entangled $(p, -p)$ pairs $Q_{2m+1}|B\rangle = 0$
+BYB for initial state

AdS/dCFT set-up

Karch &
Randall '01

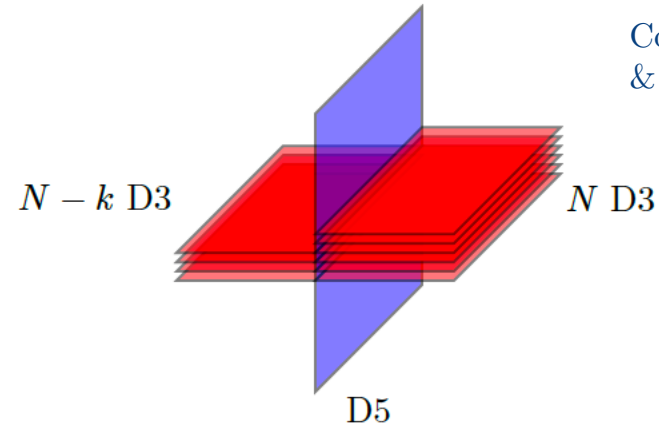
Constable, Myers
& Tafjord '99



Gauge Theory

$\phi_i, \Psi_\alpha, A_\mu$

$i = 1, \dots, 6, \alpha = 1, \dots, 4, \mu = 1, \dots, 4$



String Theory

For $x_3 > 0$: $\phi_i^{\text{cl}} = \frac{1}{x_3} \begin{pmatrix} (t_i)_{k \times k} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}, i = 1, 2, 3$

where $t_i, i = 1, 2, 3$ constitute a k -dimensional irreducible representation of $\mathfrak{su}(2)$

Set-up supersymmetric 1/2 BPS, dCFT

Gaiotto & Witten, '08

One-point functions and MPS

$$\langle \mathcal{O}_{\Delta}^{\text{bulk}}(x) \rangle = \frac{C}{|x_3|^{\Delta}}$$

Cardy '84

McAvity & Osborn '95

Due to vevs scalar operators can have non-zero 1-pt fcts at tree-level

$$\langle \mathcal{O}_{\Delta}(x) \rangle = (\text{Tr}(\phi_{i_1} \dots \phi_{i_{\Delta}}) + \dots) \big|_{\phi_i \rightarrow \phi_i^{\text{cl}} = \frac{t_i}{x_3}}$$

$\mathcal{O}_{\Delta}(x) \sim$ eigenstate of integrable $SO(6)$ spin chain

Minahan &
Zarembo '02

$$\text{Tr}(\phi_{i_1} \phi_{i_2} \dots \phi_{i_L}) \sim |s_{i_1} s_{i_2} \dots s_{i_L}\rangle$$

Matrix Product State associated with the defect:


deLeeuw, C.K.
& Zarembo '15,

$$|\text{MPS}_k\rangle = \sum_{\vec{i}} \text{tr}[t_{i_1} \dots t_{i_L}] |\phi_{i_1} \dots \phi_{i_L}\rangle,$$

Object to calculate:

$$C_k(\mathbf{u}) = \frac{\langle \text{MPS}_k | \mathbf{u} \rangle}{\langle \mathbf{u} | \mathbf{u} \rangle^{\frac{1}{2}}}$$

Bethe eigenstate



One-point functions and VBS

For $k = 1$: No vevs

Gaiotto & Witten, '08

Quantum fields $A_\mu, \Phi_i, \Psi_\alpha =$

$$\begin{array}{c|ccc} & 1 & N-1 & & \\ \hline & x & y & y & y \\ \hline y & z & z & z & \\ y & z & z & z & \\ y & z & z & z & \end{array}$$

Boundary conditions (supersymmetric)	$\Phi_{4,5,6}$	$\Phi_{1,2,3}$
x, y	Dirichlet	Neumann
z	no BCs	no BCs

One-point functions require Wick contractions

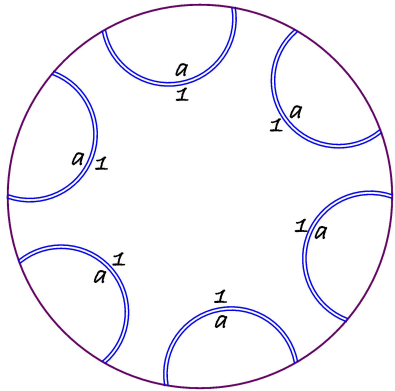
For complex scalars ($X = \Phi_1 + i\Phi_4$, etc.)

$$\langle X^{1a}(x) X^{b1}(y) \rangle = \frac{g_{\text{YM}}^2 \delta^{ab}}{4\pi^2 |\bar{x} - y|^2} \quad \bar{x} = (x_0, x_1, x_2, -x_3)$$

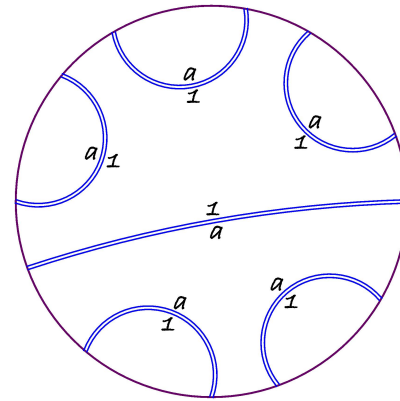
For fermions

$$\langle \Psi_\alpha^{1a}(x) \Psi_\beta^{b1}(y) \rangle = \frac{g_{\text{YM}}^2}{8\pi^2} \epsilon_{\alpha\beta} \delta^{ab} \cdot \frac{\bar{x}_3 - y_3}{|\bar{x} - y|^4}.$$

Feynman diagrams



Leading for large-N



Sub-leading for large-N

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Object to calculate $C_{k=1} = \frac{\langle \text{VBS} | \mathbf{u} \rangle}{\langle \mathbf{u} | \mathbf{u} \rangle^{1/2}}$

$$\langle \text{VBS} | = (\langle XX | + \langle \Psi_1 \Psi_2 | - \langle \Psi_2 \Psi_1 |)^{\otimes L/2}, \quad SU(2|1) \text{ sector}$$

$$C_{k=1} = \frac{Q_1(0)Q_2(0)}{Q_1\left(\frac{i}{2}\right)} \text{SDet}G$$



Integrable overlaps and the Gaudin determinant

$$\hat{Q}_{2n+1}|B\rangle = 0 \implies$$

$\langle B|\mathbf{u}\rangle \neq 0$ iff momentum carrying roots are paired $\{u_i, -u_i\}_{i=1}^{K_u}$
(excluding singular cases)

\implies auxiliary roots paired $\{v_i, -v_i\}_{i=1}^{K_v}$ possibly plus $\{0\}$

Gaudin matrix has block structure Poszgay 13,
Brockmann et al
'14

$$\begin{aligned} \det G &= \begin{vmatrix} A & B \\ B & A \end{vmatrix} = \begin{vmatrix} A+B & B \\ B+A & A \end{vmatrix} = \begin{vmatrix} A+B & B \\ 0 & A-B \end{vmatrix} = \det(A+B) \cdot \det(A-B) \\ &= \det G_+ \cdot \det G_- \end{aligned}$$

Quantity entering overlap formulas C.K., Müller,
Zarembo '20

$$\text{SDet } G = \frac{\det G_+}{\det G_-} \equiv \mathbb{D} \quad \left(= e^{\text{Tr } \Omega \log G}, \quad \Omega = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \right)$$

Integrable Super Spin Chains (of type $SU(M|N)$)

Cartan matrix M_{ab} , Dynkin labels q_a , $a, b = 1, \dots, M + N - 1$

Bethe equations Saleur '99

$$(-1)^{F_a+1} = \left(\frac{u_{a,j} - \frac{iq_a}{2}}{u_{a,j} + \frac{iq_a}{2}} \right)^L \prod_{b,k} \frac{u_{a,j} - u_{b,k} + \frac{iM_{ab}}{2}}{u_{a,j} - u_{b,k} - \frac{iM_{ab}}{2}} \equiv e^{i\chi_{a,j}}$$

$u_{a,j}$: $a = 1, \dots$ # of nodes in Dynkin diagram
 $j = 1, \dots, K_a$ (# of roots of type a)
 momentum carrying if $q_a \neq 0$.

$$G_{aj,bk} = \frac{\partial \chi_{a,j}}{\partial u_{b,k}}$$

$$\frac{\langle \text{VBS} | \mathbf{u} \rangle^2}{\langle \mathbf{u} | \mathbf{u} \rangle} = \prod_a \frac{\prod_{j=1}^{n_a} Q_a\left(\frac{is_{a,j}}{2}\right)}{\prod_{k=1}^{m_a} Q_a\left(\frac{ir_{a,k}}{2}\right)} \text{SDet} G$$

AdS/CFT: $N=M=4$

QQ-system

Tsuboi '98

Gromov, Kazakov,
Leurent, Volin '14

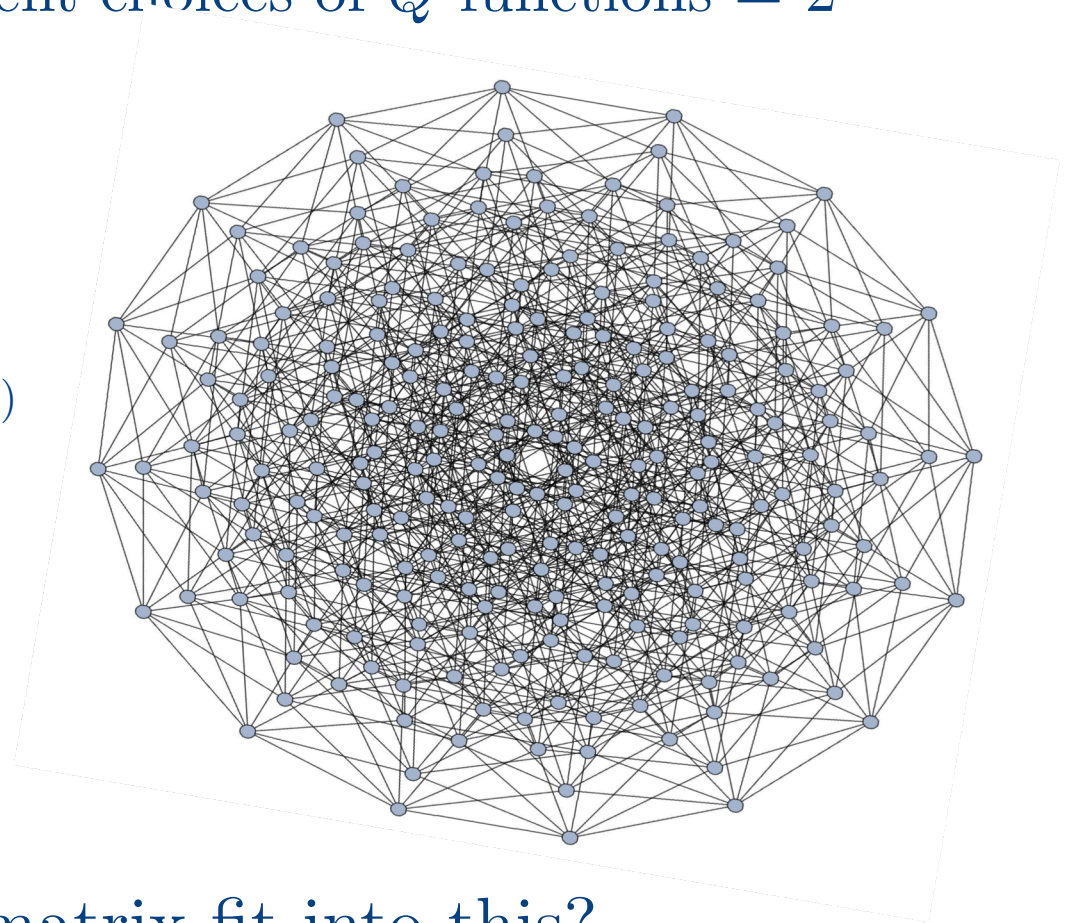
Q-functions and QSC optimal language for the spectral problem

Many equivalent ways of writing the Bethe equations

For $\mathcal{N} = 4$ SYM, # different choices of Q -functions $= 2^8$

Connected via dualities

- Fermionic (Change of Dynkin diagram)
- Bosonic



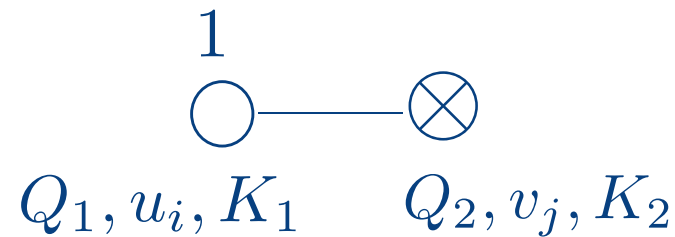
How does the Gaudin matrix fit into this?

Example: $SU(2|1)$ super spin chain

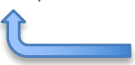
Encodes conformal single trace operators built from fields X (bosonic), Ψ_1, Ψ_2 (fermionic)

Cartan matrix Dynkin label

$$M = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -1 \\ -1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \quad q = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$



$$H = \sum_{n=1}^L (1 - \Pi_{n,n+1})$$


 graded permutation

Baxter polynomials

$$Q_1(u) = \prod_{i=1}^{K_1} (u - u_i), \quad Q_2(u) = \prod_{j=1}^{K_2} (v - v_j), \quad Q_\theta = u^L$$

Vacuum: $|\Psi_1 \Psi_1 \dots\rangle$, Excitations at level 1 and 2: Ψ_2, X

Fermionic Duality: Ex: $SU(2|1)$

Beisert, Kazakov, ,
Sakai, Zarembo '05

$$\bigcirc \text{---} \bigotimes \quad M = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -1 \\ -1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, q = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad \bigotimes \text{---} \bigotimes \quad \widetilde{M} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \tilde{q} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$Q_1, u_i, K_1 \quad Q_2, v_j, K_2 \quad Q_1, u_i, K_1 \quad \tilde{Q}_2, \tilde{v}_j, \tilde{K}_2$

$$1 = \frac{Q_1^-(v_k)}{Q_1^+(v_k)} \longrightarrow \frac{Q_1^+(\tilde{v}_k)}{Q_1^-(\tilde{v}_k)} = 1$$

$$-1 = \frac{Q_1^{++}(u_k)}{Q_1^{--}(u_k)} \cdot \frac{Q_2^-(u_k)}{Q_2^+(u_k)} \left(\frac{Q_\theta^-(u_k)}{Q_\theta^+(u_k)} \right)^L \longrightarrow \frac{\tilde{Q}_2^+(u_k)}{\tilde{Q}_2^-(u_k)} \left(\frac{Q_\theta^-(u_k)}{Q_\theta^+(u_k)} \right)^L = 1$$

Change of variables (from v_j to \tilde{v}_j)

$$\begin{array}{c} \tilde{K}_2 = K_1 - K_2 - 1 \text{ roots } \tilde{v}_j \\ \downarrow \\ Q_1^-(v) - Q_1^+(v) = Q_2(v) \cdot \tilde{Q}_2(v) \\ \uparrow \\ K_2 \text{ roots } v_j \end{array} \quad Q^\pm(u) \equiv Q(u \pm \frac{i}{2})$$

Transformation formula: Ex: $SU(2|1)$

$$\begin{array}{c} \bigcirc \text{---} \bigotimes \\ K_1 \quad K_2 \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{c} \bigotimes \text{---} \bigotimes \\ K_1 \quad \tilde{K}_2 \end{array}$$

K_1, K_2 even $\implies \tilde{K}_2 = K_1 - K_2 - 1$ odd, i.e. \tilde{v} 's contain a single zero

$Q_1^+(u) - Q_1^-(u) = iK_1 u Q_2(u) \tilde{Q}_2(u)$, with reduced Baxter polynomials

$$\tilde{\mathbb{D}} = K_1 \frac{\tilde{Q}_2(0)Q_2(0)}{Q_1(\frac{i}{2})} \mathbb{D}$$

Found numerically

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Analytical proof in progress

Notice:

- Holds semi-on-shell (the $\{u_i, -u_i\}$'s can be chosen at random)
- Covariance if the overlap formula involves $Q_2(0)\mathbb{D}$
- Factor K_1 signals that a hws is mapped to a descendent

Fermionic dualities in general

- Allow one to move between any two Dynkin diagrams of a super Lie algebra (of type $SU(N|M)$)

- Involve a fermionic node and its neighbours only 

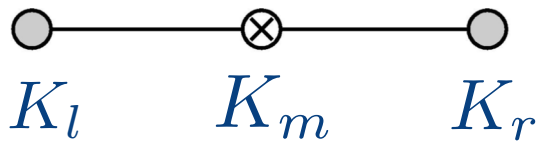
- Changes the nature of neighbouring nodes $\otimes \longleftrightarrow \bigcirc$
and the connections $\text{---} \longleftrightarrow \text{---}$

- Dualized node non-momentum carrying \implies Dynkin labels unchanged

- Dualized node momentum carrying \implies Dynkin labels change

$$\begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ V \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \longrightarrow \begin{bmatrix} V \pm 1 \\ -V \\ V \mp 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad \text{for} \quad \begin{array}{c} \text{---} \otimes \text{---} \\ \text{---} \otimes \text{---} \end{array}$$

Dualizing a non-momentum-carrying node



$$M = \begin{bmatrix} \eta_2 & \eta_1 & 0 \\ \eta_1 & 0 & -\eta_1 \\ 0 & -\eta_1 & \eta_3 \end{bmatrix}, \quad q = \begin{bmatrix} V_l \\ 0 \\ V_r \end{bmatrix}, \quad \begin{array}{l} \eta_1 \in \{-1, +1\} \\ \eta_2 \in \{0, -2\eta_1\} \\ \eta_3 \in \{0, 2\eta_1\} \end{array},$$

$$K_l, K_r, K_m \text{ all even} \implies \tilde{K}_m = K_l + K_r - K_m - 1 \text{ odd}$$

$$Q_l^- Q_r^+ - Q_l^+ Q_r^- = i\eta_1 (K_r - K_l) u Q_m \tilde{Q}_m,$$

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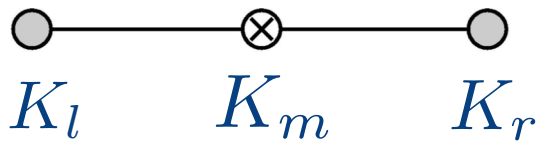
$$\tilde{\mathbb{D}} = \mathbb{J} \mathbb{D} = (-\eta_1)^{K_l} \eta_1^{K_r} (\eta_1 K_r - \eta_1 K_l) \frac{Q_m(0) \tilde{Q}_m(0)}{Q_l\left(\frac{i}{2}\right) Q_r\left(\frac{i}{2}\right)} \mathbb{D}$$

Found numerically
Analytical proof
in progress

$$K_l, K_r \text{ even, } K_m \text{ odd}$$

$$\tilde{\mathbb{D}} = (-\mathbb{J})^{-1} \mathbb{D},$$

Dualizing a momentum-carrying node



$$M = \begin{bmatrix} \eta_2 & \eta_1 & 0 \\ \eta_1 & 0 & -\eta_1 \\ 0 & -\eta_1 & \eta_3 \end{bmatrix}, \quad q = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ V \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \quad \begin{aligned} \eta_1 &\in \{-1, +1\} \\ \eta_2 &\in \{0, -2\eta_1\} \\ \eta_3 &\in \{0, 2\eta_1\} \end{aligned}$$

$$K_l, K_r, K_m, L \text{ all even} \implies \tilde{K}_m = L + K_l + K_r - K_m - 1 \text{ odd}$$

$$\left(u + V \frac{i}{2}\right)^L Q_l^- Q_r^+ - \left(u - V \frac{i}{2}\right)^L Q_l^+ Q_r^- = i(VL - \eta_1 K_l + \eta_1 K_r) u Q_m \tilde{Q}_m,$$

$$\tilde{\mathbb{D}} = \left(\frac{2i}{V}\right)^L (VL - \eta_1 K_l + \eta_1 K_r) \frac{Q_m(0) \tilde{Q}_m(0)}{Q_l\left(\frac{i}{2}\right) Q_r\left(\frac{i}{2}\right)} \mathbb{D},$$

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Found numerically
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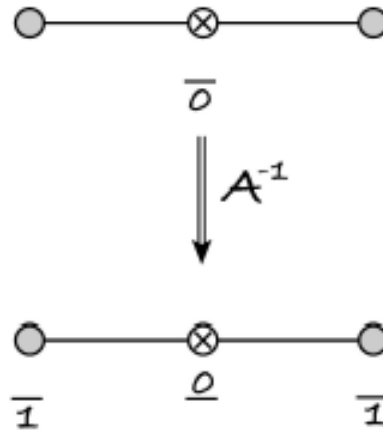
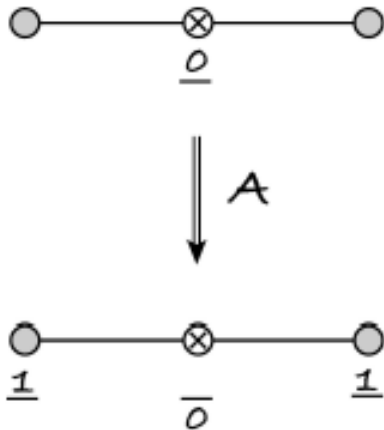
NB: K_r odd or K_l odd requires regularization

Dualizing overlap formulas I

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$$\tilde{\mathbb{D}} \propto \frac{\tilde{Q}_a(0) Q_a(0)}{Q_{a-1} \left(\frac{i}{2}\right) Q_{a+1} \left(\frac{i}{2}\right)} \mathbb{D}$$

(Both for momentum carrying and non-momentum carrying nodes)

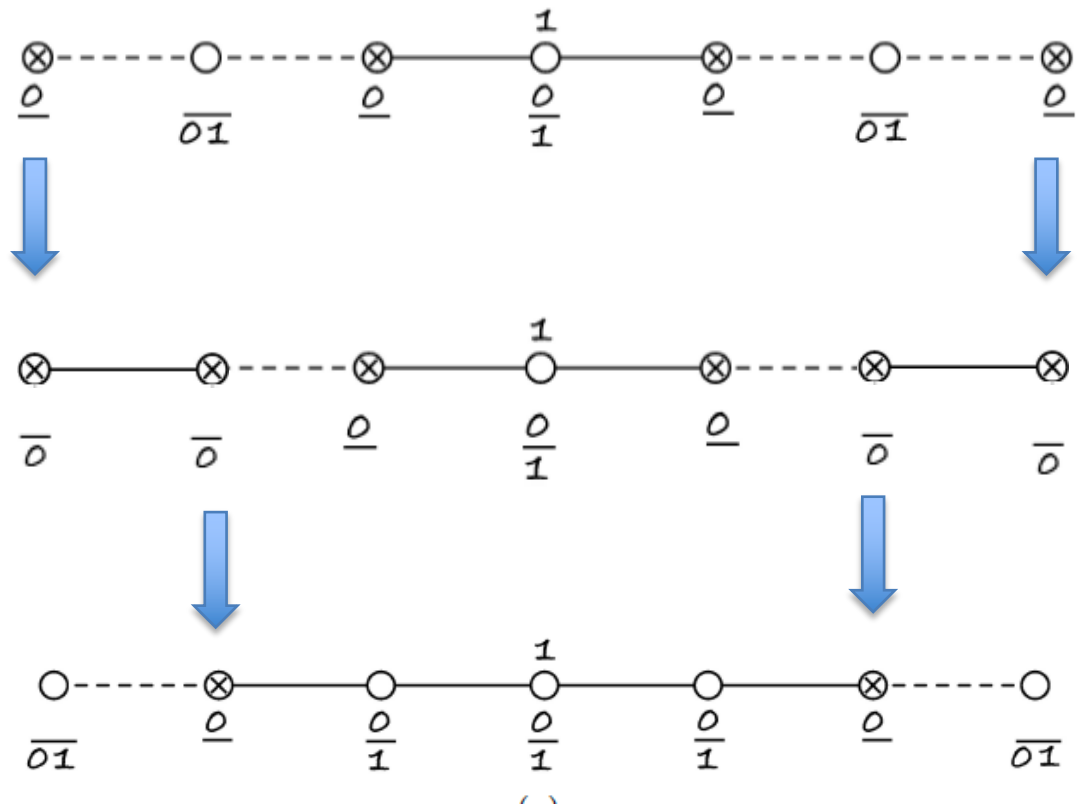


Covariance of overlap formulas very constraining (fully constraining?)

Dualizing overlap formulas II

$PSU(2, 2|4)$ overlap formula, alternating grading Gombor & Bajnok '20

Has exactly the prescribed covariance properties

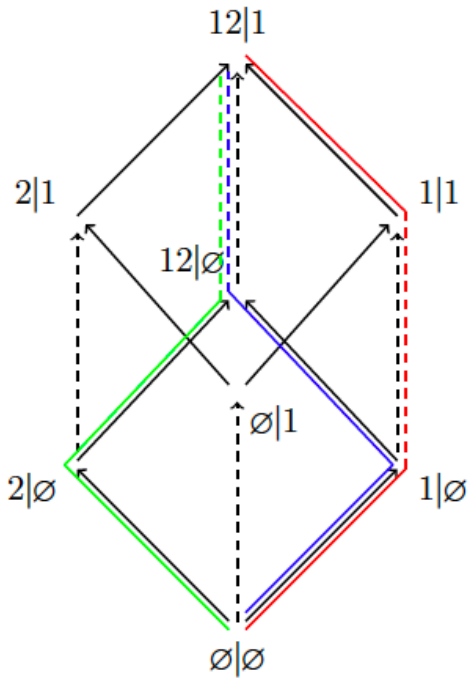


$PSU(2, 2|4)$ overlap formula, beauty grading

Agrees with field theory result in $SO(6)$ sector

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Linardopoulos '18



2^3 Q -functions, 2 fixed

$6 = 3 \times 2$ versions of the BE's (\sim paths)

Fermionic Duality considered so far:
(flipping across a vertical face)



$$Q_{12|\emptyset} Q_{1|1} = Q_{12|1}^+ Q_{1|\emptyset}^- - Q_{12|1}^- Q_{1|\emptyset}^+ = Q_{1|\emptyset}^- - Q_{1|\emptyset}^+$$

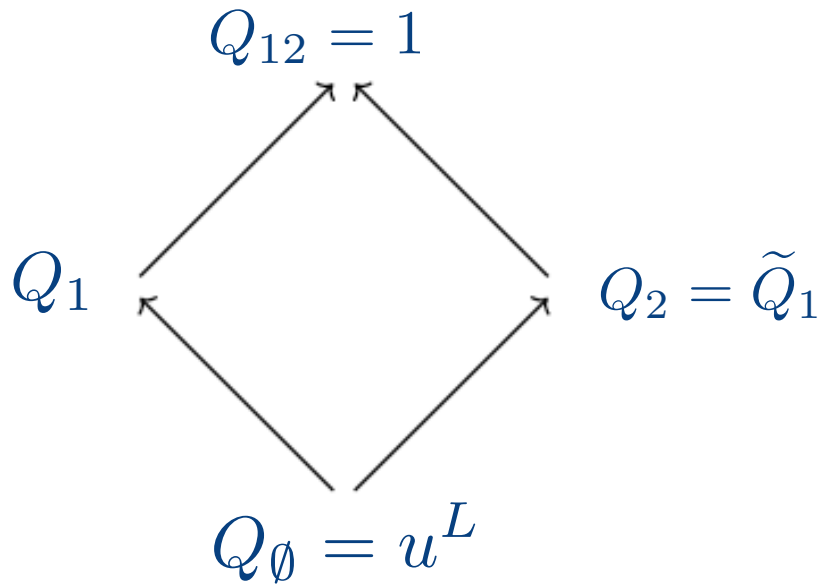
$$Q_{\emptyset|\emptyset} = u^L, \quad Q_{12|1} = 1$$

Additional bosonic dualities such as
(flipping across a horizontal face)

$$Q_{1|\emptyset}^+ Q_{2|\emptyset}^- - Q_{1|\emptyset}^- Q_{2|\emptyset}^+ = Q_{\emptyset|\emptyset} Q_{12|\emptyset}$$



Bosonic Dualities: A warm-up example: $SU(2)$



Bosonic duality eqn.

$$Q_1^+ \tilde{Q}_1^- - Q_1^- \tilde{Q}_1^+ = u^L$$

$$\tilde{K} = L - K + 1$$

Dual roots at $0, \pm \frac{i}{2}$ call for regularization of $\det G$

After regularization: Roots at $0, \pm \frac{i}{2}$ left out in \tilde{Q}

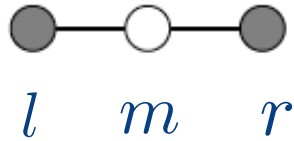
$$\tilde{\mathbb{D}} = \mathbb{A}_{L/2-K} \frac{Q(0)\tilde{Q}(i/2)}{Q(i/2)\tilde{Q}(0)} \mathbb{D}, \quad \mathbb{A}_n = \frac{(2^n n!)^4}{2 (2n)! (2n+1)!}$$

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Overlaps with VBS Duality invariant

Bosonic dualities in general

- Involve a bosonic node and its neighbours only



- Do not change the Dynkin diagram or the Dynkin labels
- Transformation formula only involves Q_m and \tilde{Q}_m

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- Momentum carrying bosonic node

$$\tilde{\mathbb{D}} = \mathbb{A}_{(L+K_r+K_l)/2-K_m} \frac{Q_m(0)\tilde{Q}_m(i/2)}{Q_m\left(\frac{i}{2}\right)\tilde{Q}_m(0)} \mathbb{D}$$

- Non-momentum carrying bosonic node

$$\tilde{\mathbb{D}} = \mathbb{A}_{(K_r+K_l)/2-K_m} \frac{Q_m(0)\tilde{Q}_m(i/2)}{Q_m\left(\frac{i}{2}\right)\tilde{Q}_m(0)} \mathbb{D}$$

- Overlaps in the scalar $SO(6)$ sector invariant (up to pre-factor)

Summary

- We have exhausted all fermionic and bosonic spin chain dualities and found their implications for overlap formulas.

Future Directions

- Analytical proof of the duality transformation formulas
Easy to state --- difficult to prove
- Understand the pre-factors in the transformation formulas
- Express the overlaps entirely in terms of Q-functions
and treat the overlaps by means of the Quantum Spectral Curve
- Use duality formulas to constrain unknown overlap formulas
- Classify all integrable boundary states in AdS/CFT

Thank you