

The Relativistic Avatars of Giant Magnons

The symmetric space sine-Gordon theories

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- Existence of an infinite tower of hidden conserved charges on both sides of the correspondence.
- Implies exact spectrum of string states/anomalous dimensions.
- Enables the quantitative investigation of the conjectured duality.

Outline

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Pohlmeyer reduction of symmetric space sigma models

- 1 Take a symmetric space F/G
 - Involution: $\sigma^2 = 1, \quad \sigma(G) = G$
 - Lie algebra decomposition: $\mathfrak{f} = \mathfrak{g} \oplus \mathfrak{p}, \quad [\mathfrak{g}, \mathfrak{p}] \subset \mathfrak{p}, \quad [\mathfrak{p}, \mathfrak{p}] \subset \mathfrak{g}$
- 2 Define a sigma model with target F/G :

$$\mathcal{L} = \text{Tr} \left(\partial_\mu \mathcal{F} \partial^\mu \mathcal{F}^{-1} \right)$$

with $\mathcal{F} \in F$ and $\sigma(\mathcal{F}) = \mathcal{F}^{-1}$.

- 3 Impose the constraints (breaking conformal and relativistic invariance)

$$T_{++} = T_{--} = \mu^2 \quad \Rightarrow \quad \partial_\pm \mathcal{F} \mathcal{F}^{-1} = f_\pm \Lambda f_\pm^{-1}$$

where $\sigma(\Lambda) = -\Lambda \in \mathfrak{p}$, and $f_\pm \in F$.

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★ These are relativistic equations!

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- Fixing the gauge $A_-^{(R)} = A_+^{(L)} = 0$, the SSSG equations become the non-abelian affine Toda equations

Pohlmeyer, Eichenherr, Forger, D'Auria, Regge, ...'79-81

$$\partial_-(\gamma^{-1}\partial_+\gamma) = [\Lambda, \gamma^{-1}\Lambda\gamma]$$

Leznov-Saveliev'83

Ferreira-Miramontes-SanchezGuillen'97

Nirov-Razumov'07

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associated to the affine Lie algebra

$$\hat{\mathfrak{f}} = \bigoplus_{n \in \mathbb{Z}} (z^{2n} \otimes \mathfrak{g} + z^{2n+1} \otimes \mathfrak{p})$$

- $\gamma \in G$ and $\Lambda \in \mathfrak{p}$.

Lagrangian formalism

Bakas-Park-Shin'95
 Grigoriev-Tseytlin'08
 JLM'08

- ★ Choosing partial gauge fixing conditions

$$H_L \times H_R \rightarrow H_{\text{vec}}$$

the SSSG equations can be derived from a relativistic Lagrangian

$$\mathcal{L} = \mathcal{L}_{\text{gWZW}}(G/H) + \text{Tr}(\Lambda \gamma^{-1} \Lambda \gamma)$$

with gauge group $\gamma \rightarrow h^{-1} \gamma h$, for $h \in H$.

Some features

- Degenerate vacuum $\gamma_0 \in \text{Cartan Torus of } H$.
- Solitons carry a topological charge $\gamma(x = +\infty) \gamma^{-1}(x = -\infty)$ in the Cartan Torus of H .
- No conventional perturbative expansion around the vacuum.
- Coupling constant is the level of WZW.
- Natural interpretation as perturbed CFT.

Examples

Pohlmeyer'76

$$F/G = SO(3)/SO(2) \simeq S^2, \quad H = \emptyset$$

→ sine-Gordon theory

$$\mathcal{L} = \frac{1}{2} \partial_\mu \phi \partial^\mu \phi + \cos \phi$$

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→ complex sine-Gordon theory

$$\mathcal{L} = \partial_\mu \phi \partial^\mu \phi + \cot^2 \phi \partial_\mu \theta \partial^\mu \theta + \cos 2\phi$$

Zamolodchikov and Zamolodchikov'79

Dorey-TJH'95

- Both these theories are exactly solved in terms of solitons:
Exact spectrum and S-matrix.

Strings on curved space-times are described by worldsheet sigma models

On the string world sheet gauge fixing leads naturally to the Pohlmeyer constraints

Tseytlin'03

Virasoro constraints on $\mathbb{R}_t \times \mathfrak{M}$

$$\xrightarrow{X^0 = \mu t}$$

$$T_{\pm\pm}^{\mathfrak{M}} = \mu^2$$

Examples of compact symmetric spaces

$$S^n = SO(n+1)/SO(n) \longrightarrow \mathbb{R}_t \times S^n \subset \text{AdS}_5 \times S^5$$

$$\mathbb{C}P^n = SU(n+1)/U(n) \longrightarrow \mathbb{R}_t \times \mathbb{C}P^n \subset \text{AdS}_4 \times \mathbb{C}P^3$$

Examples of non-compact symmetric spaces → different types of Pohlmeyer reductions

$$\text{AdS}_n = SO(2, n-1)/SO(1, n-1)$$

$$(i) \quad \mu^2 > 0 \rightarrow \text{AdS}_n \times \mathbb{R}_t$$

$$(ii) \quad \mu^2 < 0 \rightarrow \boxed{\text{AdS}_n \times S^1 \subset \text{AdS}_n \times S^5 \quad \text{or} \quad \text{AdS}_n \times \mathbb{C}P^3}$$

Alday-Maldacena '09

$$(iii) \quad \mu^2 = 0 \rightarrow \boxed{\text{AdS}_n} \rightarrow \text{gluon scattering amplitudes}$$

(ii) and (iii) relevant for the AdS/CFT correspondence!

Giant magnons

Minahan-Zarembo '04

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- On the CFT side, integrability is manifested by the appearance of an integrable spin chain whose Hamiltonian provide the spectrum of exact scaling/conformal dimensions Δ .

Hofman-Maldacena '06

- In the limit where Δ and a conserved charge J become infinite, with the difference $\Delta - J$ and the 't Hooft coupling held fixed, the string dual of the fundamental magnon excitations are lump-like solutions known as **Giant magnons**, which propagate in an infinite long string.
- Giant magnons describe the classical motion of (bosonic) strings on curved space-times of the form $R_t \times \mathfrak{M}$, with $\mathfrak{M} = F/G$ a symmetric space \longrightarrow SSSG theories

Staudacher'04

Beisert'05

Arutyunov-Frolov-Zamaklar'06

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- ★ The equivalence between the gauged fixed worldsheet theory and the SSSG theory is at the classical level but they have different symplectic structures.
- ★ Quantum equivalence may hold in the full (**conformal invariant**) theory with all the fermions included!

Generalized Pohlmeyer reduction for $\text{AdS}_5 \times S^5$

Grigoriev-Tseytlin'08
Mikhailov-SchaferNakemi'08

Virasoro constraints

$$T_{\pm\pm} = T_{\pm\pm}^{\text{AdS}_5} + T_{\pm\pm}^{S^5} = 0 \rightsquigarrow \begin{cases} T_{\pm\pm}^{S^5} = +\mu^2 \\ T_{\pm\pm}^{\text{AdS}_5} = -\mu^2 \leftarrow \end{cases}$$

→ **Lorentz invariant** Lagrangian action for $\text{AdS}_5 \times S^5$ superstring theory

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Outstanding problem:

Find the exact relativistic S -matrix of the SSSG theories

An approach to quantization of generic SSSG theories

- Focus not so much on the Lagrangian and perturbation theory but rather on the solitons themselves: perturbative fields re-appear.
- The route to the spectrum and S-matrix is to use semi-classical methods (novelty: solitons carry non-abelian internal d-o-f):
 - 1 Quantize the **moduli space dynamics** of the solitons yielding the semi-classical spectrum.
 - 2 Conjecture S-matrix by imposing all the axioms of S-matrix theory and solve the bootstrap (account for all the bound state poles).
 - 3 Check using semi-classical limit

$$\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} S(E) \sim \exp \left[i \int^E dE' \Delta t(E') \right]$$

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Reformulate equations of sigma model as auxiliary linear problem

$$\left(\partial_{\pm} - \frac{\partial_{\pm} \mathcal{F} \mathcal{F}^{-1}}{1 \pm \lambda} \right) \Psi(\lambda) = 0$$

λ = spectral parameter, equations-of-motion

$$\left[\partial_+ - \frac{\partial_+ \mathcal{F} \mathcal{F}^{-1}}{1 + \lambda}, \partial_- - \frac{\partial_- \mathcal{F} \mathcal{F}^{-1}}{1 - \lambda} \right] = 0$$

with $\mathcal{F} = \Psi(0)$.

Dressing transformation

Zakharov-Mikhailov'78

Harnad-SaintAubin-Shnider'84

$$\Psi(\lambda) = \chi(\lambda)\Psi_0(\lambda)$$

$$\chi(\lambda) = 1 + \frac{\vec{F}_k \Gamma_{kj}^{-1} \vec{F}_j^\dagger}{\lambda - \xi_j}$$

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Dressing data

- ξ_j determine rapidity and the mass.
- The vectors $\vec{\omega}_j$ are collective coordinates (position plus internal d-o-f).

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The dressing determines both the giant magnon and the soliton

$$\mathcal{F}_{\text{magnon}} = \chi(0)e^{2t\Lambda}$$

$$\gamma_{\text{soliton}} = e^{-t\Lambda} \chi(1)^{-1} \chi(-1) e^{t\Lambda}$$

Hence the magnon and soliton are 2 views of the same underlying object.

$\mathbb{C}P^{n+1}$ giant magnons and their solitonic avatarsThe $\mathbb{C}P^{n+1}$ symmetric space

$$\mathbb{C}P^{n+1} = F/G = SU(n+2)/U(n+1)$$

$$H = U(n)$$

$$\Lambda = \left(\begin{array}{cc|c} 0 & -1 & \mathbf{0} \\ 1 & 0 & \mathbf{0} \\ \hline \mathbf{0} & \mathbf{0} & \mathbf{0} \end{array} \right) \quad G = \left(\begin{array}{cc|cc} e^{i\alpha} & 0 & \mathbf{0} & \\ \hline 0 & * & * & \\ \mathbf{0} & * & * & \end{array} \right) \quad H = \left(\begin{array}{cc|c} e^{i\alpha} & 0 & \mathbf{0} \\ 0 & e^{i\alpha} & \mathbf{0} \\ \hline \mathbf{0} & \mathbf{0} & * \end{array} \right)$$

Involution $\sigma(M) = \theta M \theta$ with $\theta = \text{diag}(-1, 1, \dots, 1)$.

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Eichenherr-Honerkamp '81

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General $\mathbb{C}P^{n+1}$ case

Integrable perturbation of the $U(n+1)_k/U(n)_k$ gauged WZW model.

The elementary (non relativistic) $\mathbb{C}P^{n+1}$ giant magnons

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Abbott-Aniceto-Sax'09

- Constructed using the dressing method with two poles:

$$\xi_1 = r e^{ip/2}, \quad \xi_2 = 1/\xi_1, \quad 0 \leq p \leq 2\pi, \quad r > 0$$

- $\vec{\omega}_2 = \theta \vec{\omega}_1$ and use shifts in x and t to fix

$$\vec{\omega}_1 = (1, i, \mathbf{\Omega}) \quad |\mathbf{\Omega}| = 1$$

where the complex n vector $\mathbf{\Omega} \sim e^{i\alpha} \mathbf{\Omega}$, so internal moduli space is $\mathbf{\Omega} \in \mathbb{C}P^{n-1}$.

- Magnon has $SU(n+2)$ Noether charges:

$$\Delta Q = \int dt \partial_0 \mathcal{F} \mathcal{F}^{-1} - \text{vac} = J_\Lambda \Lambda + J_H h_\Omega$$

$$J_\Lambda = -\frac{1+r^2}{r} \left| \sin \frac{p}{2} \right|, \quad J_H = -\frac{1-r^2}{r} \left| \sin \frac{p}{2} \right|, \quad h_\Omega = i \left(\frac{\mathbf{1}}{\mathbf{0}} \middle| \frac{\mathbf{0}}{-2\mathbf{\Omega}\mathbf{\Omega}^\dagger} \right)$$

Non-relativistic dispersion relation

$$\Delta - \frac{1}{2}J = -\sqrt{\frac{\lambda}{2}} J_\Lambda, \quad \frac{1}{2}Q = \sqrt{\frac{\lambda}{2}} J_H, \quad \lambda = \text{'t Hooft coupling}$$

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{\Delta - \frac{1}{2}J = \sqrt{\frac{1}{4}Q^2 + 2\lambda \sin^2 \frac{p}{2}}}$$

Beisert '05

Chen-Dorey-Okamura '06

- Consequence of centrally extended $SU(2|2)$ symmetry.
- Bound state of Q elementary giant magnons of charge $Q = 1$.

The $\mathbb{C}P^{n+1}$ (relativistic) soliton avatars

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- $\boxed{(\xi = re^{ip/2}, \Omega)} \longrightarrow \tan q = \frac{2r}{1-r^2} \sin \frac{p}{2}$

$$\rightarrow \begin{cases} \text{Mass:} & m = \frac{4k}{\pi} |\sin q| \\ \text{Topological charge:} & \gamma^{-1}(-\infty)\gamma(+\infty) = \exp(-2qh\Omega) \\ \text{Rapidity:} & \tanh \vartheta = \frac{2r}{1+r^2} \cos \frac{p}{2} \end{cases}$$

- Solitons carry an internal collective coordinate $\Omega \in \mathbb{C}P^{n-1}$ hidden in the algebra element h_Ω .

How do we deal with Ω ?

- Under H

$$\Omega\Omega^\dagger \rightarrow U\Omega\Omega^\dagger U^{-1}$$

so moduli space is a (co-)adjoint orbit of an element of the Lie algebra \mathfrak{h}

$$\Omega\Omega^\dagger = \text{diag}(1, 0, \dots, 0) \sim \vec{\omega}_1 \cdot \vec{H}$$

- The orbit is $SU(n)/U(n-1) = \mathbb{C}P^{n-1}$.
- But $H = U(n)$ is gauged: is the orbit physical?
- **Moduli space dynamics:** allow $U \rightarrow U(t)$ and substitute into action to get effective quantum mechanics on the orbit.

Because soliton is a kink there is a boundary term $\int dt L$ coming from the WZ term

$$L = \frac{2iqk}{\pi} \text{Tr} \left(U^{-1} \dot{U} h_{\Omega} \right)$$

Balachandran et al'01

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$$\pi_i = \frac{\partial L}{\partial \dot{\theta}^i} \approx \frac{2iqk}{\pi} \text{Tr} \left(U^{-1} \frac{\partial U}{\partial \theta^i} h_{\Omega} \right)$$

- Using $U^{-1} dU = -i\lambda_i E_{ij} d\theta^j$, define for $a \in \mathfrak{h}$

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- Poisson brackets

$$\{\Lambda_a, U\} = -iUa, \quad \{\Lambda_a, \Lambda_b\} = \Lambda_{[a,b]}$$

- $H_0 = U(n - 1)$ stability group of h_Ω , so $\mathfrak{h}_0 = \{a\}$ such that $[h_\Omega, a] = 0$ then

$$\mathfrak{h} = \mathfrak{h}_0 \oplus \mathfrak{r} \quad \mathfrak{h}_0 = \mathfrak{h}_\Omega \oplus \tilde{\mathfrak{h}}_0$$

and the Lie algebra has the structure

$$[\mathfrak{h}_0, \mathfrak{h}_0] = \tilde{\mathfrak{h}}_0, \quad [\mathfrak{h}_0, \mathfrak{r}] = \mathfrak{r}, \quad [\mathfrak{r}, \mathfrak{r}] = \mathfrak{h}_\Omega \oplus \tilde{\mathfrak{h}}_0,$$

- Constraints

$$\Lambda_a \approx 0 \quad \text{except} \quad \Lambda_{h_\Omega} \approx \frac{2kq}{\pi}$$

- So constraints for Λ_a $a \in \mathfrak{h}_0$ are **first class** and for $a \in \mathfrak{r}$ are **second class**.

- Quantize: set of \mathcal{L}^2 functions on H are (Peter-Weyl Theorem)

$$\psi(U) = \langle \rho_l | U | \rho_r \rangle ,$$

constraints: $\hat{\Lambda}_a \psi(U) = \langle \rho_l | U a | \rho_r \rangle$

- ★ For first class $a \in \mathfrak{h}_0 = \{ \vec{H}, E_{\vec{\alpha}} \}$, with $\vec{\alpha} \cdot \vec{\omega}_1 = 0$,

$$E_{\vec{\alpha}} | \rho_r \rangle = 0 , \quad \vec{H} | \rho_r \rangle = \frac{2kq}{\pi} \vec{\omega}_1 | \rho_r \rangle$$

- ★ Second class $a \in \mathfrak{t} = \{ E_{\vec{\alpha}} \}$, with $\vec{\alpha} \cdot \vec{\omega}_1 \neq 0$: split $a = E_{\pm \vec{\alpha}}$ then impose

$$E_{\text{sign}(q)\vec{\alpha}} | \rho_r \rangle = 0$$

So $| \rho_r \rangle$ is the highest (lowest) weight state with weight $a \vec{\omega}_1$ for $a \in \mathbb{Z}$

There is a quantization

$$\frac{2kq}{\pi} = a \in \mathbb{Z} .$$

The Hilbert space consists of modules with highest (lowest) weight $\pm a\vec{\omega}_1$ for $a = 1, 2, \dots$ and

$$q = \frac{\pi a}{N} \quad m_a = \frac{4k}{\pi} \sin \frac{\pi|a|}{N}$$

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Note: a must be fixed as $k \rightarrow \infty$. But what happens beyond the semi-classical limit; how does the tower of states truncate?

Back in the 20th century...

Ahn-Bernard-LeClair'90

TJH'90

deVega-Fateev'91

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- S-matrices associated to trigonometric solution to Yang-Baxter equations, involving the affine quantum group $U_q(SU(n)^{(1)})$
- R-matrix for vector-vector scattering $q = -e^{i\omega}$

$$R(\vartheta) \sim \sin(\omega + i\lambda\vartheta)\mathbb{P}_{\text{symm}} + \sin(\omega - i\lambda\vartheta)\mathbb{P}_{\text{anti-symm}}$$

old choice $\omega/\lambda > 0$ and bound-state pole at $\vartheta = i\omega/\lambda$ corresponds to anti-symmetric rep

In the present context, take instead $\omega/\lambda < 0$ and have bound-state pole at $\vartheta = -i\omega/\lambda$ corresponds to symmetric rep

Spectrum naturally truncates if $q = \text{root of unity}$

- Kinks $a = 1, \dots, k$ in completely symmetric rank- a representations of $SU(n)$ and their conjugates, S-matrix has $U_q(SU(n)^{(1)})$ symmetry with

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- ★ Quantum group at $q^{2(n+k)} = 1$ ensures that tower of states truncates

For TBAers: kinks associated to blobs on A_{n+2k-1} Dynkin diagram except for a gap between $k+1, \dots, n+k$: each blob is a symm- a rep (or conjugate) of $SU(n)$

The S-matrix

- Involves the trigonometric solution of the Yang-Baxter equations associated to $U_q(SU(n)^{(1)})$ with $q = -e^{i\omega}$, $\omega = \frac{\pi}{k+n}$

$$S_{11}(\vartheta) = Y_{11}(\vartheta) \left(\mathbb{P}_{\text{symm}} + \frac{\sin(\omega + i\lambda\vartheta)}{\sin(\omega - i\lambda\vartheta)} \mathbb{P}_{\text{anti-symm}} \right)$$

$Y_{11}(\vartheta)$ infinite product of gamma functions.

- Crossing: $S_{ab}(i\pi - \vartheta) = S_{\bar{b}a}(\vartheta) \Rightarrow \lambda = \frac{2k+n}{2k+2n}$
- Fusing rules:

$$[a] \circ [b] = \begin{cases} [a+b] & a+b \leq k \\ 0 & a+b > k \end{cases}, \quad [a] \circ [b^{n-1}] = \begin{cases} [a-b] & a > b \\ [(b-a)^{n-1}] & a < b. \end{cases}$$

subset of A_{n+2k-1} fusing rules.

Semiclassical limit

- The scattering amplitudes for the special (coherent) states $||\Omega, a\rangle\rangle = (\Omega_i |e_i\rangle)^{\otimes a}$ matches the classical time-delays

$$\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} S(E) \sim \exp \left[i \int^E dE' \Delta t(E') \right]$$

In the semi-classical limit $k \rightarrow \infty$ solitons with a/k fixed.

- ★ The symmetric representations of $SU(n)$ can be thought of as fuzzy $\mathbb{C}P^{n-1}$ s. In the semi-classical limit, the fuzzy $\mathbb{C}P^{n-1}$ becomes a closer approximation of $\mathbb{C}P^{n-1}$ itself, which matches the fact that classical solitons exhibit a $\mathbb{C}P^{n-1}$ moduli space of solutions.

Generalizations to other symmetric spaces

- $S^{n+1} = SO(n+2)/SO(n+1)$ with $H = SO(n)$. Co-adjoint orbit in this case is a real Grassmannian $SO(n)/SO(2) \times SO(n-2)$ and states transform in the symmetric rank- a representations of $SO(n)$, $a = 1, 2, \dots, k$.

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- $SU(2m+n)/S(U(m) \times U(m+n))$ in which case $H = U(n)$.

$$\Lambda = \left(\begin{array}{c|c|c} 0 & A & 0 \\ \hline -A & 0 & 0 \\ \hline 0 & 0 & 0 \end{array} \right) \quad G = \left(\begin{array}{c|c|c} * & 0 & 0 \\ \hline 0 & * & * \\ \hline 0 & * & * \end{array} \right) \quad H = \left(\begin{array}{c|c|c} e^{i\alpha} & 0 & 0 \\ \hline 0 & e^{i\alpha} & 0 \\ \hline 0 & 0 & * \end{array} \right)$$

in $(m+m+n)^2$ block-form where $A = \text{diag}(a_1, \dots, a_m)$.

- ★ This case is like the **homogeneous SG** theories with masses that “float”. TBA system should involve 3 algebras: A_{n-1} , A_{m-1} and A_{n+2k-1} .

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Other open problems

- Solve all the other classes of symmetric space sine-Gordon theories.
- Further checks of the conjectured S-matrix: TBA, etc.
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Muchas Gracias