

Integrable open spin chain in ABJM theory from giant graviton

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Motivation and Background

- The discovery of integrability in planar $N=4$ super Yang-Mills and ABJM has enabled a precise study of AdS/CFT. [Beisert et al. 10], [Basso et al. 15]
- Giant gravitons are multi-graviton states inherent to AdS/CFT which provides one of few well-established formulations of quantum gravity. [McGreevy et al. 00], [Balasubramanian et al. 01]
- In the AdS_5/CFT_4 case, strings attached to giant graviton is an integrable open system. [Berenstein et al. 05], [Hofman & Maldacena 07], [Bajnok et al. 12]

- Giant graviton in AdS_4/CFT_3 context has also been studied [[Giovannoni et al. 11](#)], [[Cardona&Nastase 14](#)], but the integrability aspects have not been clarified.
- Giant graviton are not single trace, but determinant like operators (Schur Polynomial). e.g.

$$\begin{aligned}\chi_{R_n}(Z) &= \frac{1}{n!} \sum_{\sigma \in S_n} \chi_{R_n}(\sigma) Z_{i_1}^{i_{\sigma(1)}} \cdots Z_{i_n}^{i_{\sigma(n)}} \\ &= c_0 \text{Tr} Z^n + c_1 \text{Tr} Z \text{Tr} Z^{n-1} + \cdots + c_n (\text{Tr} Z)^n.\end{aligned}$$

- Giant graviton are D-branes wrapping some cycles with some angular momentum.

ABJM theory and integrable closed chain

In ABJM theory, the scalar fields (Y^1, Y^2, Y^3, Y^4) transform in the fundamental representation of the $SU(4)$ R-symmetry group. the action of ABJM theory can be written as

$$S = \int d^3x (L_{CS} + L_k - V_F - V_B),$$

$$L_{CS} = \frac{k}{4\pi} \varepsilon^{\mu\nu\rho} \text{tr} \left(A_\mu \partial_\nu A_\rho + \frac{2i}{3} A_\mu A_\nu A_\rho - \hat{A}_\mu \partial_\nu \hat{A}_\rho - \frac{2i}{3} \hat{A}_\mu \hat{A}_\nu \hat{A}_\rho \right),$$

$$L_k = \text{tr} (-D_\mu Y_I^\dagger D^\mu Y^I + i \Psi^{\dagger I} \gamma^\mu D_\mu \Psi_I),$$

$$V_F = \frac{2\pi i}{k} \text{tr} \left(Y_I^\dagger Y^I \Psi^{\dagger J} \Psi_J - 2 Y_I^\dagger Y^J \Psi^{\dagger I} \Psi_J + \epsilon^{IJKL} Y_I^\dagger \Psi_J Y_K^\dagger \Psi_L \right. \\ \left. - Y^I Y_I^\dagger \Psi_J \Psi^{\dagger J} - 2 Y^I Y_J^\dagger \Psi_I \Psi^{\dagger J} + \epsilon_{IJKL} Y^I \Psi^{\dagger J} Y^K \Psi^{\dagger L} \right),$$

$$V_B = -\frac{4\pi^2}{3k^2} \text{tr} \left(Y_I^\dagger Y^J Y_J^\dagger Y^K Y_K^\dagger Y^I + Y_I^\dagger Y^I Y_J^\dagger Y^J Y_K^\dagger Y^K \right. \\ \left. + 4 Y_I^\dagger Y^J Y_K^\dagger Y^I Y_J^\dagger Y^K - 6 Y_I^\dagger Y^I Y_J^\dagger Y^K Y_K^\dagger Y^J \right).$$

Covariant derivatives are defined as

$$D_\mu Y^I = \partial_\mu Y^I + iA_\mu Y^I - iY^I \hat{A}_\mu, \quad D_\mu Y_I^\dagger = \partial_\mu Y_I^\dagger + i\hat{A}_\mu Y_I^\dagger - iY_I^\dagger A_\mu$$

$$D_\mu \Psi_I = \partial_\mu \Psi_I + iA_\mu \Psi_I - i\Psi_I \hat{A}_\mu.$$

The 't Hooft coupling is defined as $\lambda = N/k$.

Consider the gauge invariant single-trace operator

$$\mathcal{O}_{[J]}^{[I]} = \text{Tr}(Y^{I_1} Y_{J_1}^\dagger \cdots Y^{I_L} Y_{J_L}^\dagger).$$

which can be viewed as a closed spin chain. The two-loop renormalization of the single trace operator was considered in [Minahan& Zarembo 08][Bak & Rey 08]

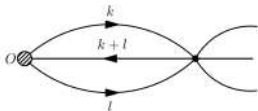


Figure: Two loop contribution of scalar sextet interaction.

$$\mathcal{H}_B/\lambda^2 = \frac{1}{2}\mathbb{I} - \mathbb{P}_{l,l+2} + \frac{1}{2}\mathbb{P}_{l,l+2}\mathbb{K}_{l,l+1} + \frac{1}{2}\mathbb{P}_{l,l+2}\mathbb{K}_{l+1,l+2} - \frac{1}{4}\mathbb{K}_{l,l+1} - \frac{1}{4}\mathbb{K}_{l+1,l+2},$$

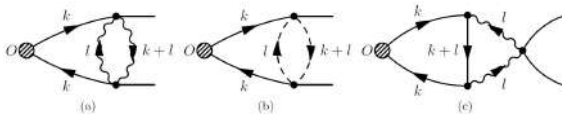


Figure: Two loop contribution of gauge and fermion exchange interaction.

$$\mathcal{H}_{gauge}/\lambda^2 = \frac{1}{4}\mathbb{I} - \frac{1}{2}\mathbb{K}_{l,l+1}, \quad \mathcal{H}_F/\lambda^2 = \mathbb{K}_{l,l+1},$$

where the trace operator \mathbb{K} and permutation operator \mathbb{P} are defined as

$$(\mathbb{K}_{ij})_{J_i J_j}^{I_i I_j} = \delta^{I_i I_j} \delta_{J_i J_j}, \quad (\mathbb{P}_{ij})_{J_i J_j}^{I_i I_j} = \delta_{J_i}^{I_j} \delta_{J_j}^{I_i},$$

The closed spin chain Hamiltonian $\sum_{l=1}^{2L} \mathcal{H}_B + \mathcal{H}_F + \mathcal{H}_{gauge}$ is integrable.

Determinant like operators in ABJM

We consider the two point function of following type operators

$$O_W = \epsilon_{a_1 \dots a_N} \epsilon^{b_1 \dots b_N} (A_1 B_1)_{b_1}^{a_1} \dots (A_1 B_1)_{b_{N-1}}^{a_{N-1}} W_{b_N}^{a_N},$$

with

$$W = Y^{I_1} Y_{J_1}^\dagger \dots Y^{I_L} Y_{J_L}^\dagger.$$

- The dual descriptions of these operators are open strings attached to the giant graviton (D4-brane wrapping a \mathbb{CP}^2 inside \mathbb{CP}^3).
- When the W field is $A_1 B_1$, the operator is dual to D4-brane itself.

The operator O_W and its conjugate \bar{O}_W can be rewritten as

$$O_W = \frac{1}{(N-1)!} \epsilon_{[J]_{N-1}a}^{[I]_{N-1}c} \epsilon_{[L]_{N-1}c}^{[K]_{N-1}b} (A_1)_{[I]_{N-1}}^{[J]_{N-1}} (B_1)_{[K]_{N-1}}^{[L]_{N-1}} W_b^a,$$

$$\bar{O}_W = \frac{1}{(N-1)!} \epsilon_{[S]_{N-1}d}^{[M]_{N-1}f} \epsilon_{[P]_{N-1}f}^{[Q]_{N-1}e} (A_1^\dagger)_{[Q]_{N-1}}^{[P]_{N-1}} (B_1^\dagger)_{[M]_{N-1}}^{[S]_{N-1}} \bar{W}_e^d.$$

Here we use the shorthand notations

$$[I]_{N-1} = I_1 \dots I_{N-1}, \quad (A_1)_{[I]_{N-1}}^{[J]_{N-1}} = (A_1)_{I_1}^{J_1} \dots (A_1)_{I_{N-1}}^{J_{N-1}},$$

make the following identification,

$$(A_1, A_2, B_1^\dagger, B_2^\dagger) = (Y^1, Y^2, Y^3, Y^4).$$

When $Y^{I_1} \neq A_1$ and $Y_{J_L}^\dagger \neq B_1$, we get

$$\langle O_W \bar{O}_W \rangle \sim (N-1)!^4 N^{2L+2}.$$

When $Y^{I_1} = A_1$ or $Y_{J_L}^\dagger = B_1$ the operator factorizes, and the contribution is suppressed by $1/N$.

Two loop open spin chain Hamiltonian

$$\begin{aligned}
 \langle O_W \bar{O}_{\bar{W}} \rangle_{2\text{-loop}} &\sim (N-2) \langle \text{tr}(W \bar{W}) \text{tr}(A_1 A_1^\dagger) \text{tr}(B_1 B_1^\dagger) \\
 &- \text{tr}(\bar{W} W B_1^\dagger B_1) \text{tr}(A_1 A_1^\dagger) - \text{tr}(A_1 A_1^\dagger W \bar{W}) \text{tr}(B_1 B_1^\dagger) \\
 &+ \text{tr}(W B_1^\dagger B_1 \bar{W} A_1 A_1^\dagger) \rangle_{2\text{-loop}} \\
 &+ \langle \text{tr}(W \bar{W}) \text{tr}(A_1 B_1 B_1^\dagger A_1^\dagger) - \text{tr}(W B_1^\dagger A_1^\dagger A_1 B_1 \bar{W}) \\
 &- \text{tr}(W \bar{W} A_1 B_1 B_1^\dagger A_1^\dagger) + \text{tr}(W B_1^\dagger A_1^\dagger) \text{tr}(A_1 B_1 \bar{W}) \rangle_{2\text{-loop}}.
 \end{aligned}$$

We first focus on the left boundary corresponding to the term

$$\langle -\text{tr}(A_1 A_1^\dagger W \bar{W}) \text{tr}(B_1 B_1^\dagger) \rangle_{2\text{-loop}} \rightarrow \langle -\text{tr}(A_1 A_1^\dagger Y^{I_1} Y_{J_1}^\dagger Y^{M_1} Y_{N_1}^\dagger) \rangle_{2\text{-loop}}.$$

Contributions from wave function renormalization (self-interactions) are proportional to $\delta_{N_1}^{I_1}$ and thus flavor blind. Because $Y^{I_1} \neq A_1$ and $Y_{N_1}^\dagger \neq A_1^\dagger$, contributions from gluon exchange and fermion exchange are also flavor blind.

We only need to consider contribution from sextet scalar potential V_B . Then we get

$$H'_{\text{left}} = \frac{\lambda^2}{2} \left(\frac{1}{2} \delta_{J_1}^{I_1} \delta_{N_1}^{M_1} + 2 \delta_1^{M_1} \delta_{J_1}^1 \delta_{N_1}^{I_1} - \delta_{N_1}^{I_1} \delta_{J_1}^{M_1} + C \delta_{N_1}^{I_1} \delta_{J_1}^{M_1} \right).$$

The constant C can be determined using the fact that open spin chain vacuum with $W = (A_2 B_2)^L$ has vanishing anomalous dimension in the large N limit. At the end, the Hamiltonian can be written as

$$\begin{aligned} H = & \lambda^2 \sum_{l=2}^{2L-3} \left(\mathbb{I} - \mathbb{P}_{l,l+2} + \frac{1}{2} \mathbb{P}_{l,l+2} \mathbb{K}_{l,l+1} + \frac{1}{2} \mathbb{P}_{l,l+2} \mathbb{K}_{l+1,l+2} \right) Q_1^A Q_{2L}^B \\ & + \lambda^2 Q_1^A \left(\mathbb{I} + \frac{1}{2} \mathbb{K}_{1,2} - \mathbb{P}_{1,3} + \frac{1}{2} \mathbb{P}_{1,3} \mathbb{K}_{1,2} + \frac{1}{2} \mathbb{P}_{1,3} \mathbb{K}_{2,3} \right) Q_1^A Q_{2L}^B \\ & + \lambda^2 Q_{2L}^B \left(\mathbb{I} + \frac{1}{2} \mathbb{K}_{2L-1,2L} - \mathbb{P}_{2L-2,2L} + \frac{1}{2} \mathbb{P}_{2L-2,2L} \mathbb{K}_{2L-2,2L-1} + \frac{1}{2} \mathbb{P}_{2L-2,2L} \mathbb{K}_{2L-1,2L} \right) \\ & Q_1^A Q_{2L}^B + \lambda^2 (\mathbb{I} - Q_2^A) Q_1^A Q_{2L}^B + \lambda^2 (\mathbb{I} - Q_{2L-1}^B) Q_1^A Q_{2L}^B \end{aligned}$$

where the Q operators are defined as

$$Q^\phi |\phi\rangle = 0, \quad Q^\phi |\psi\rangle = |\psi\rangle, \quad \text{for } \psi \neq \phi.$$

Reflection Matrices from Coordinate Bethe ansatz

The vacuum of this open chain is chosen to be

$$W = (A_2 B_2) \cdots (A_2 B_2).$$

The one-particle excitations include

bulk odd site	$(A_2 B_2) \cdots (A_1 B_2) \cdots (A_2 B_2)$	$ x\rangle_{A_1}, 2 \leq x \leq L$
	$(A_2 B_2) \cdots (B_1^\dagger B_2) \cdots (A_2 B_2)$	$ x\rangle_{B_1^\dagger}, 1 \leq x \leq L$
bulk even site	$(A_2 B_2) \cdots (A_2 B_1) \cdots (A_2 B_2)$	$ x\rangle_{B_1}, 1 \leq x \leq L - 1$
	$(A_2 B_2) \cdots (A_2 A_1^\dagger) \cdots (A_2 B_2)$	$ x\rangle_{A_1^\dagger}, 1 \leq x \leq L$
left boundary	$(B_1^\dagger B_2) \cdots (A_2 B_2)$	$ 1\rangle_{B_1^\dagger}$
right boundary	$(A_2 B_2) \cdots (A_2 A_1^\dagger)$	$ L\rangle_{A_1^\dagger}.$

Let us begin with

$$|p\rangle_{B_1^\dagger} = \sum_{x=1}^L f_{B_1^\dagger}(x) |x\rangle_{B_1^\dagger},$$

where

$$f_{B_1^\dagger}(x) = F_{B_1^\dagger} e^{ipx} + \tilde{F}_{B_1^\dagger} e^{-ipx}.$$

On the states $|x\rangle_{B_1^\dagger}$, the Hamiltonian acts as follows

$$H|x\rangle_{B_1^\dagger} = \lambda^2(2|x\rangle_{B_1^\dagger} - |x+1\rangle_{B_1^\dagger} - |x-1\rangle_{B_1^\dagger}), \quad 2 \leq x \leq L-1$$

$$H|1\rangle_{B_1^\dagger} = \lambda^2(|1\rangle_{B_1^\dagger} - |2\rangle_{B_1^\dagger}),$$

$$H|L\rangle_{B_1^\dagger} = \lambda^2(2|L\rangle_{B_1^\dagger} - |L-1\rangle_{B_1^\dagger}).$$

So we get

$$\begin{aligned} H|p\rangle_{B_1^\dagger} &= \lambda^2 \sum_{x=2}^{L-2} (2f_{B_1^\dagger}(x) - f_{B_1^\dagger}(x-1) - f_{B_1^\dagger}(x+1)) |x\rangle_{B_1^\dagger} \\ &+ \lambda^2 (f_{B_1^\dagger}(1) - f_{B_1^\dagger}(2)) |1\rangle_{B_1^\dagger} + \lambda^2 (2f_{B_1^\dagger}(L) - f_{B_1^\dagger}(L-1)) |L\rangle_{B_1^\dagger}. \end{aligned}$$

Then equation

$$H|p\rangle_{B_1^\dagger} = E(p)|p\rangle_{B_1^\dagger},$$

leads to the following relations

$$E(p) = \lambda^2(2 - 2 \cos p), f_{B_1^\dagger}(1) = f_{B_1^\dagger}(0), f_{B_1^\dagger}(L+1) = 0$$

Since the reflections of B_1^\dagger excitation at both sides are diagonal, we define the left reflection coefficient to be

$$K_{L, B_1^\dagger} = F_{B_1^\dagger} / \tilde{F}_{B_1^\dagger},$$

and the right reflection coefficient to be

$$K_{R, B_1^\dagger} = e^{2ipL} F_{B_1^\dagger} / \tilde{F}_{B_1^\dagger}.$$

The results are

$$\begin{aligned} K_{L, B_1^\dagger} &= e^{-ip}, \\ K_{R, B_1^\dagger} &= -e^{-2ip}. \end{aligned}$$

The computation of reflection amplitude of other excitations are similar. Finally, with the order of the excitations as $A_1, B_1^\dagger, A_1^\dagger, B_1$, the left reflection matrix is

$$K_L = \begin{pmatrix} -e^{-2ip} & & & \\ & e^{-ip} & & \\ & & -1 & \\ & & & e^{-ip} \end{pmatrix},$$

and the right reflection matrix is

$$K_R = \begin{pmatrix} e^{-ip} & & & \\ & -e^{-2ip} & & \\ & & e^{-ip} & \\ & & & -1 \end{pmatrix}.$$

The two loop bulk scalar scattering matrix is easily obtained from Beisert's $SU(2|2)$ invariant S-matrix and ABJM dressing phases

$$e^{ip} = \frac{u + \frac{i}{2}}{u - \frac{i}{2}}$$

$$\begin{pmatrix}
\frac{u_1 - u_2 - i}{u_1 - u_2 + i} & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\
0 & \frac{u_1 - u_2}{u_1 - u_2 + i} & 0 & 0 & -\frac{i}{u_1 - u_2 + i} & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\
0 & 0 & \frac{u_1 - u_2}{u_1 - u_2 - i} & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & \frac{i}{u_1 - u_2 - i} & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\
0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\
0 & -\frac{i}{u_1 - u_2 + i} & 0 & 0 & \frac{u_1 - u_2}{u_1 - u_2 + i} & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\
0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & \frac{u_1 - u_2 - i}{u_1 - u_2 + i} & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\
0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\
0 & 0 & \frac{i}{u_1 - u_2 - i} & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & \frac{u_1 - u_2}{u_1 - u_2 - i} & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\
0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & \frac{u_1 - u_2}{u_1 - u_2 - i} & 0 & 0 & 0 & \frac{i}{u_1 - u_2 - i} & 0 & 0 \\
0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\
0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & \frac{u_1 - u_2 - i}{u_1 - u_2 + i} & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\
0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & \frac{u_1 - u_2}{u_1 - u_2 + i} & 0 & 0 & -\frac{i}{u_1 - u_2 + i} \\
0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\
0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & \frac{i}{u_1 - u_2 - i} & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & \frac{u_1 - u_2}{u_1 - u_2 - i} & 0 \\
0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & -\frac{i}{u_1 - u_2 + i} & 0 & 0 & \frac{u_1 - u_2}{u_1 - u_2 + i} \\
0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & \frac{u_1 - u_2 - i}{u_1 - u_2 + i}
\end{pmatrix}$$

Figure: ABJM two loop S-matrix $S(p_1, p_2)$ in the scalar sector.

Boundary Yang-Baxter equation

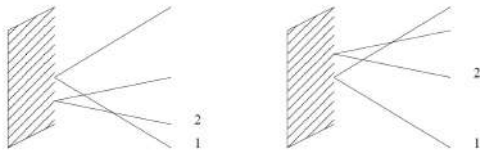


Figure: Pictorial representation of the boundary Yang-Baxter equation.

It can be straightforward to verify that reflection equations are satisfied

$$\begin{aligned}
 & K_{L2}(p_2)S_{12}(p_1, -p_2)K_{L1}(p_1)S_{21}(-p_2, -p_1) \\
 &= S_{12}(p_1, p_2)K_{L1}(p_1)S_{21}(p_2, p_1)K_{L2}(p_2), \\
 & K_{R2}(-p_2)S_{21}(p_2, -p_1)K_{R1}(-p_1)S_{12}(p_1, p_2) \\
 &= S_{21}(-p_2, -p_1)K_{R2}(-p_1)S_{12}(p_1, -p_2)K_{R2}(-p_2).
 \end{aligned}$$

This gives strong evidence of the *Integrability* of the Hamiltonian.

Two loop integrability

With suitable choice of R-matrices and projected K-matrices(operator-valued), we can construct the following two transfer matrices for the alternating spin chain with dynamic boundaries,

$$\tau(u) = \text{tr}_0 K_{01}^+(u) R_{02}(u) \cdots R_{0,2L-1}(u) K_{0,2L}^-(u) R_{0,2L-1}(u) \cdots R_{02}(u)$$

$$\bar{\tau}(u) = \text{tr}_{\bar{0}} K_{\bar{0}1}^+(u) R_{\bar{0}2}(u) \cdots R_{\bar{0},2L-1}(u) K_{\bar{0},2L}^-(u) R_{\bar{0},2L-1}(u) \cdots R_{\bar{0}2}(u)$$

Then it can be shown that the transfer matrices obey the commutativity property

$$[\bar{\tau}(u), \bar{\tau}(v)] = [\tau(u), \bar{\tau}(v)] = [\tau(u), \tau(v)] = 0.$$

The Hamiltonian can be obtained from the transfer matrices by

$$H = \left. \frac{d}{du} \log \tau(u) \right|_{u=0} + \left. \frac{d}{du} \log \bar{\tau}(u) \right|_{u=0}.$$

This complete the proof of two loop *Integrability* of ABJM open spin chain from giant graviton.

Bethe equations and “gauge” transformation

The commutativity property of $\tau(u)$ and $\bar{\tau}(u)$ implies the existence of u -independent eigenstates $|\Lambda\rangle$ of both $\tau(u)$ and $\bar{\tau}(u)$,

$$\tau(u) |\Lambda\rangle = \Lambda(u) |\Lambda\rangle, \quad \bar{\tau}(u) |\Lambda\rangle = \bar{\Lambda}(u) |\Lambda\rangle.$$

We choose a reference state $|(A_2 B_2)^L\rangle$ which is a eigenstate of both transfer matrices. According to the direct calculations of $L = 1, 2, 3$ cases, we conjecture that the eigenvalues of the reference state for a general L is given by

$$\begin{aligned} \Lambda_0(u) = \bar{\Lambda}_0(u) &= \frac{2}{d(u)} \left[a(u)(u+1)^{2L}(u+2)^{2L} \right. \\ &\quad \left. + b(u)u^{2L}(u+1)^{2L} - c(u)u^{2L}(u+2)^{2L} \right], \end{aligned}$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} a(u) &= (2u+3)(u+1)^2, & b(u) &= (2u+1)(u+1)^2, \\ c(u) &= 4(u+1)^3, & d(u) &= (u+1)(2u+1)(2u+3). \end{aligned}$$

The eigenvalues of a generic state should have the “dressed” form

$$\Lambda(u|\{u_i\}) = \frac{2}{d(u)} \left\{ a(u)(u+1)^{2L}(u+2)^{2L} \frac{Q_4(iu - \frac{i}{2})}{Q_4(iu + \frac{i}{2})} + b(u)u^{2L}(u+1)^{2L} \frac{Q_4(iu + \frac{5i}{2})}{Q_4(iu + \frac{3i}{2})} \right. \\ \left. - u^{2L}(u+2)^{2L} \left[c_1(u) \frac{Q_4(iu + \frac{3i}{2})Q_3(iu)}{Q_4(u + \frac{i}{2})Q_3(iu+i)} + c_2(u) \frac{Q_3(iu+2i)Q_4(iu + \frac{i}{2})}{Q_3(iu+i)Q_4(iu + \frac{3i}{2})} \right] \right\},$$

$$\bar{\Lambda}(u|\{u_i\}) = \frac{2}{d(u)} \left\{ a(u)(u+1)^{2L}(u+2)^{2L} \frac{Q_4(iu - \frac{i}{2})}{Q_4(iu + \frac{i}{2})} + b(u)u^{2L}(u+1)^{2L} \frac{Q_4(iu + \frac{5i}{2})}{Q_4(iu + \frac{3i}{2})} \right. \\ \left. - u^{2L}(u+2)^{2L} \left[c_1(u) \frac{Q_4(iu + \frac{3i}{2})Q_3(iu)}{Q_4(u + \frac{i}{2})Q_3(iu+i)} + c_2(u) \frac{Q_3(iu+2i)Q_4(iu + \frac{i}{2})}{Q_3(iu+i)Q_4(iu + \frac{3i}{2})} \right] \right\}.$$

where $Q_l(u)$ is the Baxter polynomial

$$Q_l(u) = \prod_{j=1}^{K_l} (u - u_{l,j})(u + u_{l,j}).$$

The functions $c_1(u), c_2(u)$ must satisfy

$$c_1(u) + c_2(u) = c(u).$$

The crossing property of eigenvalues

$$\Lambda(-u - 2|\{u_i\}) = \bar{\Lambda}(u|\{u_i\})$$

implies

$$c_1(-u - 2) = -c_2(u), \quad c_2(-u - 2) = -c_1(u).$$

These constraints cannot determine $c_1(u), c_2(u)$ uniquely. In fact, there are two solutions

$$c_1(u) = (2u + 3)(u + 1)^2, \quad c_2(u) = (u + 1)^2(2u + 1),$$

and

$$\tilde{c}_1(u) = u^2(2u + 3), \quad \tilde{c}_2(u) = (u + 2)^2(2u + 1).$$

Thus two sets of Bethe equations can be derived

$$\begin{aligned}
 -1 &= \frac{u^+}{u^-} \frac{Q_3^{--} Q_4^+ Q_{\bar{4}}^+}{Q_3^{++} Q_4^- Q_{\bar{4}}^-} \Big|_{u_{3,k}}, \\
 1 &= \left(\frac{u - \frac{i}{2}}{u + \frac{i}{2}} \right)^{2L} \frac{Q_4^{++} Q_3^-}{Q_4^{--} Q_3^+} \Big|_{u_{4,k}}, \\
 1 &= \left(\frac{u - \frac{i}{2}}{u + \frac{i}{2}} \right)^{2L} \frac{Q_{\bar{4}}^{++} Q_3^-}{Q_{\bar{4}}^{--} Q_3^+} \Big|_{u_{\bar{4},k}}.
 \end{aligned}$$

or

$$\begin{aligned}
 -1 &= \frac{u^+}{u^-} \frac{(u-i)^2}{(u+i)^2} \frac{Q_3^{--} Q_4^+ Q_{\bar{4}}^+}{Q_3^{++} Q_4^- Q_{\bar{4}}^-} \Big|_{u_{3,k}}, \\
 1 &= \left(\frac{u - \frac{i}{2}}{u + \frac{i}{2}} \right)^{2L+2} \frac{Q_4^{++} Q_3^-}{Q_4^{--} Q_3^+} \Big|_{u_{4,k}}, \\
 1 &= \left(\frac{u - \frac{i}{2}}{u + \frac{i}{2}} \right)^{2L+2} \frac{Q_{\bar{4}}^{++} Q_3^-}{Q_{\bar{4}}^{--} Q_3^+} \Big|_{u_{\bar{4},k}}.
 \end{aligned}$$

the eigenvalues of the Hamiltonian are given by

$$E = \lambda^2 \sum_{j=1}^{K_4} \frac{1}{1/4 + u_{4,j}^2} + \lambda^2 \sum_{j=1}^{K_{\bar{4}}} \frac{1}{1/4 + u_{\bar{4},j}^2}.$$

In terms of the eigenvalues of double row transfer matrices, these above mentioned two solutions can be related by the transformation on the Baxter polynomial $Q_3(u)$

$$Q_3(u) \rightarrow u^2 Q_3(u).$$

The two sets of Bethe equations are also related by this “gauge” transformation.

The exact bulk S-matrices

Consider the full sector at the finite coupling. The ABJM giant graviton open spin chain has two types of particle which we named A-particle and B-particle and are charge conjugate to each other. The bulk dispersion relation is

$$\epsilon(p) = \frac{1}{2} \sqrt{1 + 16h^2(\lambda) \sin^2\left(\frac{p}{2}\right)}$$

where the $h(\lambda)$ is the so called interpolation function with the weak coupling expansion

$$h(\lambda) = \lambda - \frac{\pi^2}{3} \lambda^3 + \mathcal{O}(\lambda^5),$$

The anomalous dimension of determinant like operator is related to the bulk energy of the spin chain as

$$\Delta = \sum_{j=1}^{K_A} \left(\epsilon(p_j^A) - \frac{1}{2} \right) + \sum_{j=1}^{K_B} \left(\epsilon(p_j^B) - \frac{1}{2} \right)$$

The scattering matrices of A-particle and B-particle are $\mathfrak{su}(2|2)$ invariant

$$\begin{aligned}\mathbb{S}^{AA}(p_1, p_2) &= \mathbb{S}^{BB}(p_1, p_2) = S_0(p_1, p_2)S(p_1, p_2), \\ \mathbb{S}^{AB}(p_1, p_2) &= \mathbb{S}^{BA}(p_1, p_2) = \tilde{S}_0(p_1, p_2)S(p_1, p_2).\end{aligned}$$

Here $S(p_1, p_2)$ is matrix part of these $\mathfrak{su}(2|2)$ invariant matrices. At finite coupling, it's useful to introduce spectral parameter x

$$x^\pm + \frac{1}{x^\pm} = \frac{u \pm \frac{i}{2}}{h(\lambda)}, \quad x^\pm \equiv x(u \pm \frac{i}{2}).$$

The momentum p and energy ϵ of the fundamental magnon are

$$e^{ip} = \frac{x^+}{x^-}, \quad \epsilon = \frac{1}{2} + ih(\lambda)\left(\frac{1}{x^+} - \frac{1}{x^-}\right).$$

We can also write the momentum and energy in terms of Jacobi elliptic functions

$$x^\pm = \frac{1}{4h(\lambda)}\left(\frac{\text{cn}z}{\text{sn}z} \pm i\right)(1 + \text{dn}z), \quad p(z) = 2\text{am}z, \quad \epsilon(z) = \frac{1}{2}\text{dn}(z).$$

We assume \mathbb{S}^{AA} and \mathbb{S}^{AB} satisfy the unitary conditions, which imply

$$S_0(z_1, z_2)S_0(z_2, z_2) = 1, \quad \tilde{S}_0(z_1, z_2)\tilde{S}_0(z_2, z_1) = 1.$$

The identification of the B-particles as charge conjugates of the A-particles suggests the following crossing relations

$$\begin{aligned} C_1^{-1} \mathbb{S}_{12}^{AA t_1}(z_1, z_2) C_1 \mathbb{S}_{12}^{AB}(z_1 + \omega_2, z_2) &= I_{12}, \\ \mathbb{S}_{12}^{AA t_2}(z_1, z_2) C_2 \mathbb{S}_{12}^{AB}(z_1, z_2 - \omega_2) C_2^{-1} &= I_{12}. \end{aligned}$$

Then using the relation , the scalar factor should satisfy

$$S_0(z_1, z_2)\tilde{S}_0(z_1 + \omega_2, z_2) = S_0(z_1, z_2)\tilde{S}_0(z_1, z_2 - \omega_2) = f(x_1, x_2).$$

where C is the charge conjugation matrix

$$C = \begin{pmatrix} \sigma_2 & 0 \\ 0 & i\sigma_2 \end{pmatrix}.$$

Here σ_2 is the Pauli matrix and $f(x_1, x_2)$ is a scalar function defined by

$$f(x_1, x_2) = \frac{(x_1^+ - x_2^-)(1 - \frac{1}{x_1^- x_2^-})}{(x_1^+ - x_2^+)(1 - \frac{1}{x_1^- x_2^+})}.$$

These constraints can be solved

$$S_0(z_1, z_2) = \frac{x_1^+ - x_2^-}{x_1^- - x_2^+} \frac{1 - \frac{1}{x_1^+ x_2^-}}{1 - \frac{1}{x_1^- x_2^+}} \sqrt{\frac{x_1^-}{x_1^+}} \sqrt{\frac{x_2^+}{x_2^-}} \sigma(z_1, z_2),$$

$$\tilde{S}_0(z_1, z_2) = \sqrt{\frac{x_1^-}{x_1^+}} \sqrt{\frac{x_2^+}{x_2^-}} \sigma(z_1, z_2),$$

where σ is the BES dressing phase.

The exact boundary scattering matrices

Quite similar to SYM case. Symmetry preserved by the boundary of our integrable open system is $\mathfrak{su}(1|2)$, which can fix the right boundary reflection matrices up to some scalar factors

$$\begin{aligned}\mathbb{R}^{A-}(p) &= R_0^{A-}(p)R^-(p) = R_0^{A-}(p)\text{diag}(e^{-i\frac{p}{2}}, -e^{i\frac{p}{2}}, 1, 1), \\ \mathbb{R}^{B-}(p) &= R_0^{A-}(p)R^-(p) = R_0^{B-}(p)\text{diag}(e^{-i\frac{p}{2}}, -e^{i\frac{p}{2}}, 1, 1).\end{aligned}$$

The left boundary reflection matrices are related to the right ones as

$$\mathbb{R}^{A+}(p) = \mathbb{R}^{A-}(-p), \quad \mathbb{R}^{B+}(p) = \mathbb{R}^{B-}(-p).$$

There are two types of particles in the bulk, both are transformed under fundamental representation of $\mathfrak{su}(2|2)$. Therefore the bulk Zamolodchikov-Faddeev (ZF) algebra is described by two kinds of creating operators

$$\mathbb{A}_i^\dagger(p), \mathbb{B}_i^\dagger(p), \quad i = 1, \dots, 4$$

which satisfy

$$\begin{aligned}
\mathbb{A}_i^\dagger(p_1)\mathbb{A}_j^\dagger(p_2) &= \mathbb{S}^{AA}(p_1, p_2)_{ij}^{i'j'} \mathbb{A}_{j'}^\dagger(p_2)\mathbb{A}_{i'}^\dagger(p_1), \\
\mathbb{B}_i^\dagger(p_1)\mathbb{B}_j^\dagger(p_2) &= \mathbb{S}^{BB}(p_1, p_2)_{ij}^{i'j'} \mathbb{B}_{j'}^\dagger(p_2)\mathbb{B}_{i'}^\dagger(p_1), \\
\mathbb{A}_i^\dagger(p_1)\mathbb{B}_j^\dagger(p_2) &= \mathbb{S}^{AB}(p_1, p_2)_{ij}^{i'j'} \mathbb{B}_{j'}^\dagger(p_2)\mathbb{A}_{i'}^\dagger(p_1), \\
\mathbb{B}_i^\dagger(p_1)\mathbb{A}_j^\dagger(p_2) &= \mathbb{S}^{BA}(p_1, p_2)_{ij}^{i'j'} \mathbb{A}_{j'}^\dagger(p_2)\mathbb{B}_{i'}^\dagger(p_1).
\end{aligned}$$

To treat the boundary, we introduce the boundary creating operator \mathcal{B}_R satisfying the boundary ZF algebra

$$\begin{aligned}
\mathbb{A}_i^\dagger(p)\mathcal{B}_R &= \mathbb{R}^{A-}(p)_i^{i'} \mathbb{A}_{i'}^\dagger(-p)\mathcal{B}_R, \\
\mathbb{B}_i^\dagger(p)\mathcal{B}_R &= \mathbb{R}^{B-}(p)_i^{i'} \mathbb{B}_{i'}^\dagger(-p)\mathcal{B}_R.
\end{aligned}$$

which imply

$$R_0^{A-}(p)R_0^A(-p) = 1, \quad R_0^{B-}(p)R_0^B(-p) = 1.$$

To derive the boundary crossing relation, we introduce the singlet operator

$$\mathbb{I}(p) = C^{ij} \mathbb{A}_i^\dagger(p) \mathbb{B}_j^\dagger(\bar{p}) + C^{ij} \mathbb{B}_i^\dagger(p) \mathbb{A}_j^\dagger(\bar{p}),$$

where \bar{p} is the crossed momentum, defined by

$$x^\pm(\bar{p}) = \frac{1}{x^\pm(p)}.$$

Scattering the singlet operator off the right boundary, we must have

$$\mathbb{I}(p) \mathcal{B}_R = \mathbb{I}(-\bar{p}) \mathcal{B}_R.$$

Using the bulk and boundary ZF algebra, we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} C^{ij} \mathbb{R}^{B-}(\bar{p})_j^{j'}(\bar{p}) \mathbb{S}^{AB}(p, -\bar{p})_{ij'}^{i'j''} \mathbb{R}^{A-}(p)_{i'}^{i''} &= C^{j''i''}, \\ C^{ij} \mathbb{R}^{A-}(\bar{p})_j^{j'}(\bar{p}) \mathbb{S}^{BA}(p, -\bar{p})_{ij'}^{i'j''} \mathbb{R}^{B-}(p)_{i'}^{i''} &= C^{j''i''}. \end{aligned}$$

In terms of the scalar factors $R_0^{A-}(p), R_0^{B-}(p)$, the above boundary crossing relations imply

$$R_0^{A-}(p)R_0^{B-}(\bar{p}) = \frac{1}{\sigma(p, -\bar{p})}.$$

We define

$$f_b(p) = \frac{x^- + \frac{1}{x^-}}{x^+ + \frac{1}{x^+}}.$$

A solution is given by the ansatz

$$R_0^{A-}(p) = R_0^{B-}(p) = R_0^-(p),$$

where

$$R_0^{-2}(p) = F(p)\sigma(p, -p)\frac{1}{\sqrt{f_b(p)}}$$

and $F(p)$ is a CDD-type factor satisfies

$$F(p)F(\bar{p}) = 1, \quad F(p)F(-p) = 1.$$

which can fixed (see below)

$$F(p) = -e^{-\frac{ip}{2}}.$$

The shortest operator described the one particle excitation has the form $|p\rangle_{B_1^\dagger} = f_{B_1^\dagger}(1) |1\rangle_{B_1^\dagger} + f_{B_1^\dagger}(2) |2\rangle_{B_1^\dagger}$ with $L = 2$. The anomalous dimension of this operator is related to bulk energy $\epsilon(p)$ of the magnon as

$$\Delta = \epsilon(p) - \frac{1}{2} = \frac{1}{2} \sqrt{1 + 16h^2(\lambda) \sin^2\left(\frac{p}{2}\right)} - \frac{1}{2} = 4\lambda^2 \sin^2\left(\frac{p}{2}\right) + \mathcal{O}(\lambda^3).$$

The eigenvalue equation is

$$H |p\rangle_{B_1^\dagger} = \Delta |p\rangle_{B_1^\dagger} = \begin{pmatrix} \lambda^2 & -\lambda^2 \\ -\lambda^2 & 2\lambda^2 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} f_{B_1^\dagger}(1) \\ f_{B_1^\dagger}(2) \end{pmatrix}.$$

we can get the first eigenvalue when $f_{B_1^\dagger}(1)/f_{B_1^\dagger}(2) = \frac{1-\sqrt{5}}{2}$ i.e. when $p = 3\pi/5$

$$\Delta_+ = \frac{3 + \sqrt{5}}{2} \lambda^2 = 4\lambda^2 \sin^2\left(\frac{3\pi}{10}\right),$$

and the second eigenvalue with $f_{B_1^\dagger}(1)/f_{B_1^\dagger}(2) = \frac{1+\sqrt{5}}{2}$, which means $p = \frac{\pi}{5}$

$$\Delta_- = \frac{3 - \sqrt{5}}{2} \lambda^2 = 4\lambda^2 \sin^2\left(\frac{\pi}{10}\right).$$

In a similar way, we find the possible momentum values of a single A_1 excitation to be $p = \frac{\pi}{5}, \frac{3\pi}{5}$ with $L = 3$.
For $L = 4$, we obtain $p = \frac{\pi}{7}, \frac{3\pi}{7}, \frac{5\pi}{7}$.

For a single particle excitation, the boundary Bethe-Yang equation reads

$$e^{-2ipL} \mathbb{R}^+(-p) \mathbb{R}^-(p) = e^{-2ipL} R_0^2(p) \text{diag}(e^{-ip}, e^{ip}, 1, 1) = 1.$$

At leading order, this reduce to

$$e^{-2ipL} \text{diag}(e^{-ip}, e^{ip}, 1, 1) = -1.$$

For a single B_1^\dagger excitation, we obtain the quantized momentum

$$p_n = \frac{n\pi}{2L+1}, \quad n = 1, 3, \dots, 2L-1.$$

Similarly, for a single A_1 excitation, the quantized momentum is

$$p_n = \frac{n\pi}{2L-1}, \quad n = 1, 3, \dots, 2L-3.$$

Asymptotic Bethe ansatz equation

In order to obtain the right boundary Bethe-Yang equations from the double row transfer matrices, we should define the fundamental double row transfer matrices as following

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbb{D}(p, \{p_i^A, p_i^B\}) \\ &= \text{Tr}_a \left(\prod_{i=K_A^I}^{K_A^I+1} \mathbb{S}_{ai}^{AB}(p, p_i^B) \prod_{i=K_A^I}^1 \mathbb{S}_{ai}^{AA}(p, p_i^A) \mathbb{R}_a^-(p) \prod_{i=1}^{K_A^I} \mathbb{S}_{ia}^{AA}(p_i^A, -p) \prod_{i=K_A^I+1}^{K^I} \mathbb{S}_{ia}^{AB}(p_i^B, -p) \check{\mathbb{R}}_a^+(-p) \right) \\ \tilde{\mathbb{D}}(p, \{p_i^A, p_i^B\}) \\ &= \text{Tr}_a \left(\prod_{i=K^I}^{K_A^I+1} \mathbb{S}_{ai}^{BB}(p, p_i^B) \prod_{i=K_A^I}^1 \mathbb{S}_{ai}^{BA}(p, p_i^A) \mathbb{R}_a^-(p) \prod_{i=1}^{K_A^I} \mathbb{S}_{ia}^{BA}(p_i^A, -p) \prod_{i=K_A^I+1}^{K^I} \mathbb{S}_{ia}^{BB}(p_i^B, -p) \check{\mathbb{R}}_a^+(-p) \right) \end{aligned}$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbb{R}^-(p) &= R_0(p)R^-(p), \quad \check{\mathbb{R}}^+(-p) = \check{R}_0^+(-p)\check{R}^+(-p), \\ K^I &= K_A^I + K_B^I, \quad \tilde{i} = i - K_A^I. \end{aligned}$$

and

$$R^-(p) = \text{diag}(e^{-\frac{ip}{2}}, -e^{\frac{ip}{2}}, 1, 1).$$

$\check{\mathbb{R}}^+(p)$ is defined through

$$\mathbb{R}_a^-(p) = \text{Tr}_{a'}(\mathbb{P}_{aa'} \mathbb{S}_{aa'}^{AA}(p, -p) \check{\mathbb{R}}_{a'}^+(-p))$$

such that the boundary Bethe-Yang equations can be obtained from the double row transfer matrices as

$$e^{-2ip_j^A L} \mathbb{D}(p_j^A, \{p_i^A, p_i^B\}) = -1, \quad e^{-2ip_j^B L} \tilde{\mathbb{D}}(p_j^B, \{p_i^A, p_i^B\}) = -1.$$

Using the explicit form of the S-matrix, one can solve the equation as

$$\begin{aligned} \check{R}_0^+(-p) &= \frac{e^{-ip} R_0^-(p)}{S_0(p, -p) \rho(p)}, \\ \check{R}^+(-p) &= (-1)^F R^+(-p) = \text{diag}(e^{\frac{ip}{2}}, -e^{-\frac{ip}{2}}, -1, -1), \end{aligned}$$

where

$$\rho = \frac{(1 + (x^-)^2)(x^+ + x^-)}{2x^+(1 + x^+x^-)}.$$

Collecting the scalar factors, we have

$$\begin{aligned}\mathbb{D}(p, \{p_i^A, p_i^B\}) &= d(p)D(p, \{p_i^A, p_i^B\}), \\ \tilde{\mathbb{D}}(p, \{p_i^A, p_i^B\}) &= \tilde{d}(p)D(p, \{p_i^A, p_i^B\}),\end{aligned}$$

The eigenvalue $\Lambda(p)$ of $D(p, \{p_i^A, p_i^B\})$ is known

[Bajnok, Nepomechie, Palla & Suzuki 12]. The main or physical Bethe equations for the massive roots are given by

$$e^{-2ip_j^A L} d(p_j^A) \Lambda(p_j^A) = -1, \quad e^{-2ip_j^B L} \tilde{d}(p_j^B) \Lambda(p_j^B) = -1,$$

Bethe equations for the auxiliary roots are obtained from the analytic condition of $\Lambda(p)$.

Reducing to the scalar sector at two loop order

In the weak coupling limit $h(\lambda) \rightarrow 0$, the asymptotic Bethe ansatz equations reduced to

$$\begin{aligned}1 &= \frac{Q_2^-}{Q_2^+} \Big|_{u_{1,k}}, \\-1 &= \frac{u^-}{u^+} \frac{Q_1^- Q_3^- Q_2^{++}}{Q_1^+ Q_3^+ Q_2^{--}} \Big|_{u_{2,k}}, \\1 &= \frac{Q_2^- Q_4^+ Q_{\bar{4}}^+}{Q_2^+ Q_4^- Q_{\bar{4}}^-} \Big|_{u_{3,k}}, \\1 &= \left(\frac{u - \frac{i}{2}}{u + \frac{i}{2}} \right)^{2L'} \frac{Q_4^{++} Q_3^-}{Q_4^{--} Q_3^+} \Big|_{u_{4,k}}, \\1 &= \left(\frac{u - \frac{i}{2}}{u + \frac{i}{2}} \right)^{2L'} \frac{Q_{\bar{4}}^{++} Q_3^-}{Q_{\bar{4}}^{--} Q_3^+} \Big|_{u_{\bar{4},k}},\end{aligned}$$

where $L' = L + \frac{K_1 - K_3}{2} + \frac{K_4 + K_{\bar{4}} - 1}{2}$.

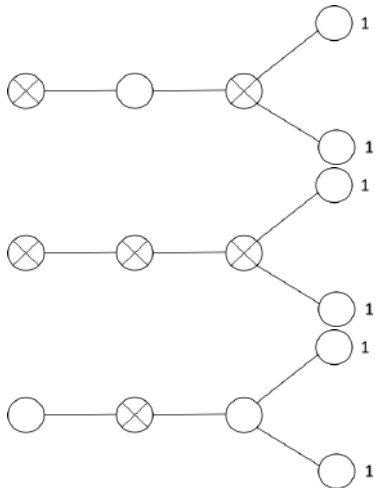


Figure: The chain of Fermionic duality.

After a chain of fermionic duality, the following Bethe equations can be derived

$$\begin{aligned}
 -1 &= \frac{u^-}{u^+} \frac{Q_{\tilde{1}}^{++} Q_{\tilde{2}}^-}{Q_{\tilde{1}}^{--} Q_{\tilde{2}}^+} \Big|_{\tilde{u}_{1,k}}, \\
 1 &= \frac{Q_{\tilde{1}}^- Q_3^+}{Q_{\tilde{1}}^+ Q_3^-} \Big|_{\tilde{u}_{2,k}}, \\
 -1 &= \frac{u^+}{u^-} \frac{Q_{\tilde{2}}^+ Q_3^{--} Q_4^+ Q_4^+}{Q_{\tilde{2}}^- Q_3^{++} Q_4^- Q_4^-} \Big|_{u_{3,k}}, \\
 1 &= \left(\frac{u - \frac{i}{2}}{u + \frac{i}{2}} \right)^{2\tilde{L}'} \frac{Q_4^{++} Q_3^-}{Q_4^{--} Q_3^+} \Big|_{u_{4,k}}, \\
 1 &= \left(\frac{u - \frac{i}{2}}{u + \frac{i}{2}} \right)^{2\tilde{L}'} \frac{Q_{\bar{4}}^{++} Q_3^-}{Q_{\bar{4}}^{--} Q_3^+} \Big|_{u_{\bar{4},k}}.
 \end{aligned}$$

Removing the the first and second type of Bethe roots $\tilde{u}_{1,k}$, $\tilde{u}_{2,k}$ and identify $\tilde{L}' = L$, we obtain the **Same** equations as before.

Thank you for your attention!