

# OPE for Wilson loops/amplitudes in N=4 SYM

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# Introduction.

- N=4 SYM is integrable model.
- Anomalous dimensions of local gauge invariant operators – Y-system .
- What about amplitudes (planar case) ?
- Much progress on the level of tree amplitudes and loop integrands, BDS ansatz for 4 and 5 point amplitudes and strong coupling leading behavior via AdS/CFT.
- Amplitudes = (super) Wilson loops.
- Can we use integrability to actually compute finite parts of amplitudes at finite values of coupling constant ?

# Amplitudes in N=4 SYM

$$A_{MHV}^{(L)} = A_{MHV}^{\text{tree}} \mathcal{M}^{(L)}(s_{i,i+1}, s_{i\dots i+2}, \dots)$$

MHV – total helicity = n-4, NMHV - total helicity = n-6, etc. total helicity = n-4 Here we will consider MHV case only, generalizations to NMHV, etc cases are possible.

$$\mathcal{M}_n = \exp \left[ -\frac{1}{8} \sum_{l=1}^{\infty} a^l \left( \frac{\gamma_K^{(l)}}{(l\epsilon)^2} + \frac{2\mathcal{G}_0^{(l)}}{l\epsilon} \right) \sum_{i=1}^n \left( \frac{\mu^2}{-s_{i,i+1}} \right)^{l\epsilon} \right] \times h_n$$

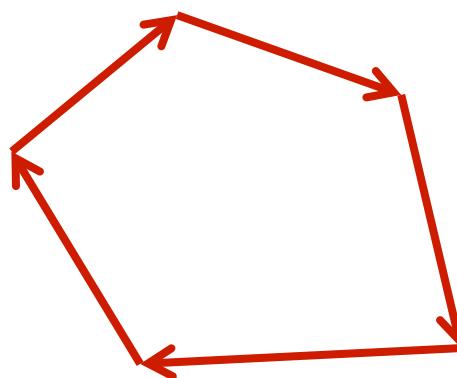
Exact answers for n=4,5 – BDS ansatz:

$$\mathcal{M}_n = \exp \left[ \sum_{l=1}^{\infty} a^l f^{(l)}(\epsilon) \mathcal{M}_n^{(1)}(l\epsilon) + C^{(l)} + \mathcal{O}(\epsilon) \right]$$

# Amplitudes and Wilson loops in N=4 SYM

$$\langle W_{C_n} \rangle = \frac{1}{N} \langle 0 | \text{Tr} P \exp \left( ig \int_{C_n} d\tau A_\mu(x(\tau)) \dot{x}^\mu(\tau) \right) | 0 \rangle$$

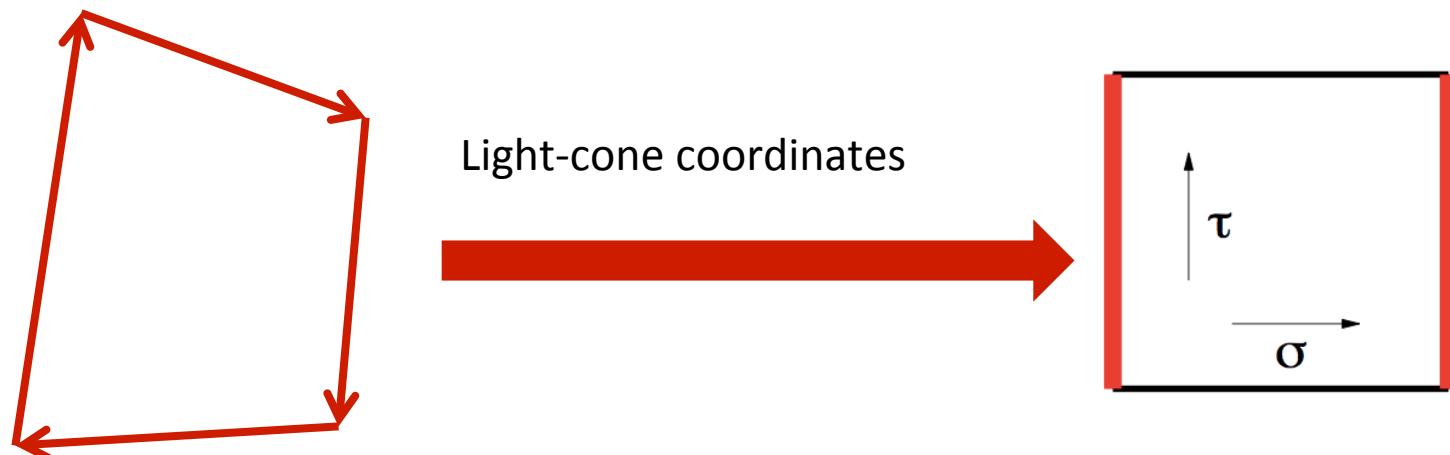
Dual conformal symmetry – Amplitudes/ (super)Wilson loops duality. Here MHV example is represented.



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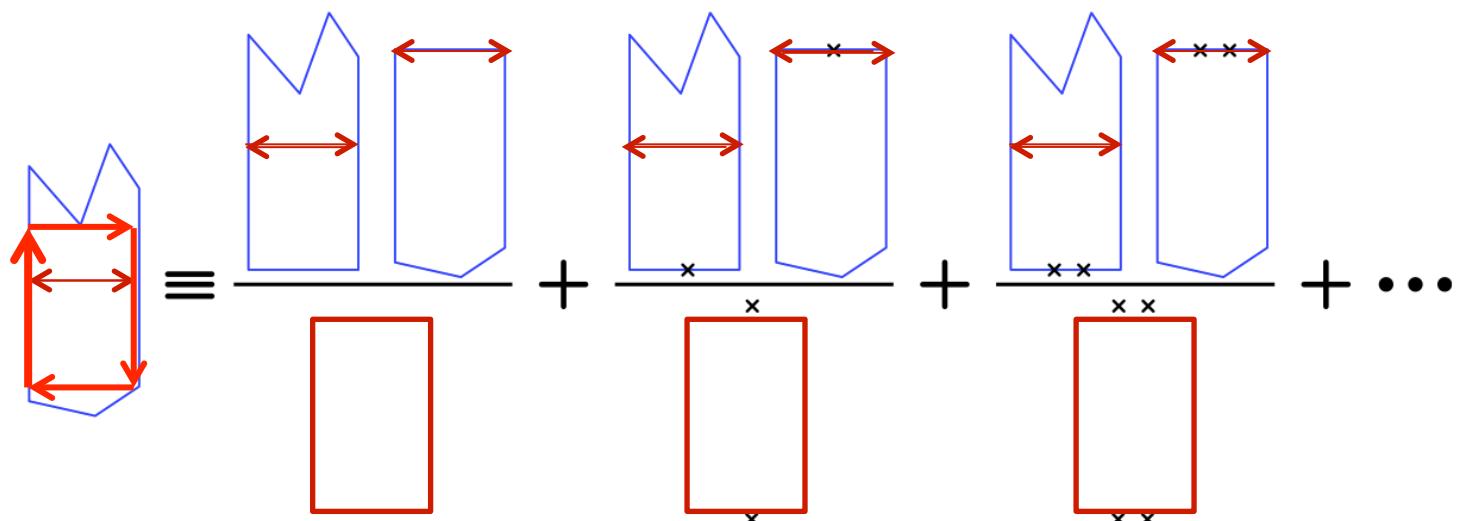
# OPE for Wilson loops. Symmetries of the square.

Single Line	$D - M^{+-}$	$M^{12}$	$D + M^{+-}$	$K^-$	$P_-$	$M^{+i}$	$K^+$	$K^i$
Two Lines	$D - M^{+-}$	$M^{12}$	$D + M^{+-}$	$K^-$	$P_-$			
Square	$D - M^{+-}$	$M^{12}$	$D + M^{+-}$					
Name	$P, \partial_\sigma$	$\tilde{S}, \partial_\phi$	$E, \partial_\tau$					



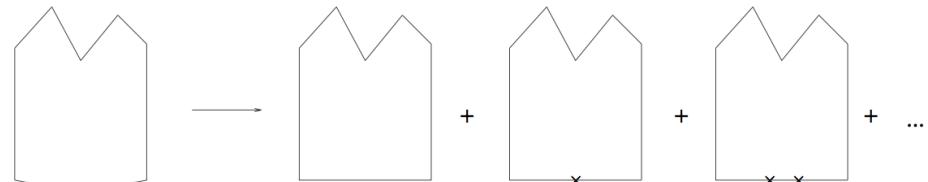
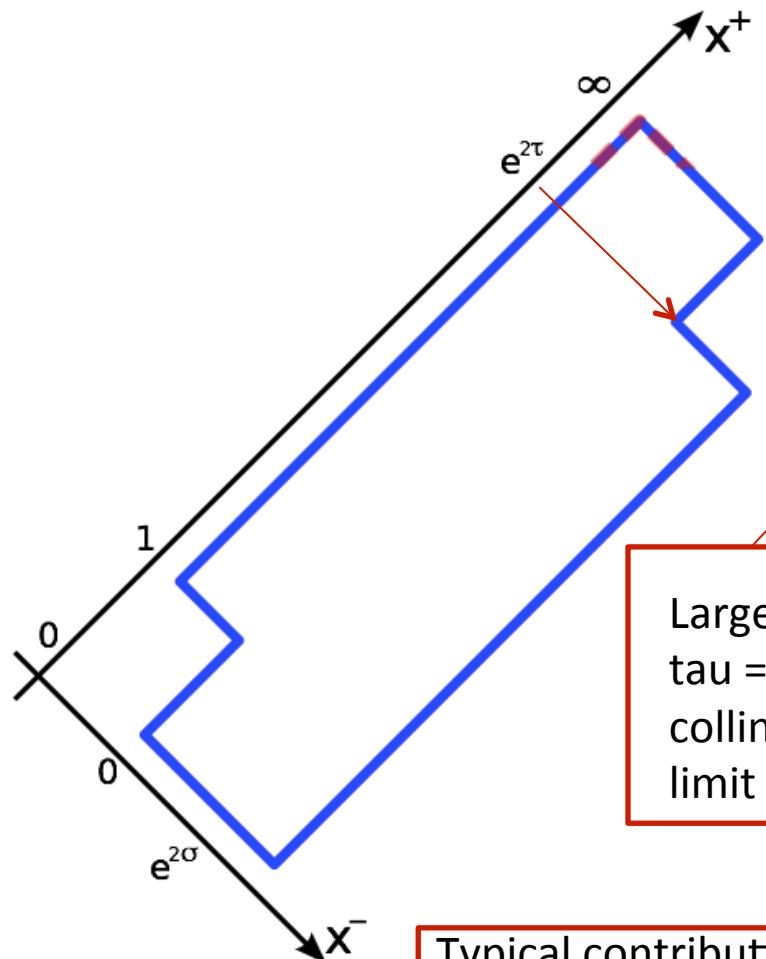
# OPE for Wilson loops.

$$\langle W \rangle = \int dne^{-\tau E_n + ip_n \sigma + im_n \phi} C_n \quad C_n = C_n^{\text{top}} C_n^{\text{bottom}}$$



$$\langle W \rangle(\tau, \sigma, \phi) \equiv \langle \text{top} | e^{-\tau E + i\sigma P + i\phi J} | \text{bottom} \rangle$$

# 2D example.



$$u_i = u_{i+3} \equiv \frac{x_{i-1,i+1}^2 x_{i-2,i+2}^2}{x_{i-1,i+2}^2 x_{i+1,i-2}^2}$$

$$\frac{1}{u_2} = 1 + e^{2\tau}$$

$$\frac{1}{u_3} = 1 + (e^{-\tau} + e^{\sigma+i\phi})(e^{-\tau} + e^{\sigma-i\phi})$$

$$\frac{u_1}{u_2 u_3} = e^{2\sigma+2\tau}$$

# OPE for Wilson loops. Finite remainder.

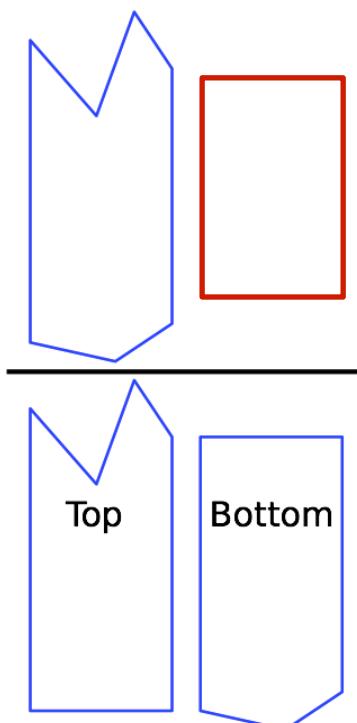
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**h=BDS X FiniteReminder**



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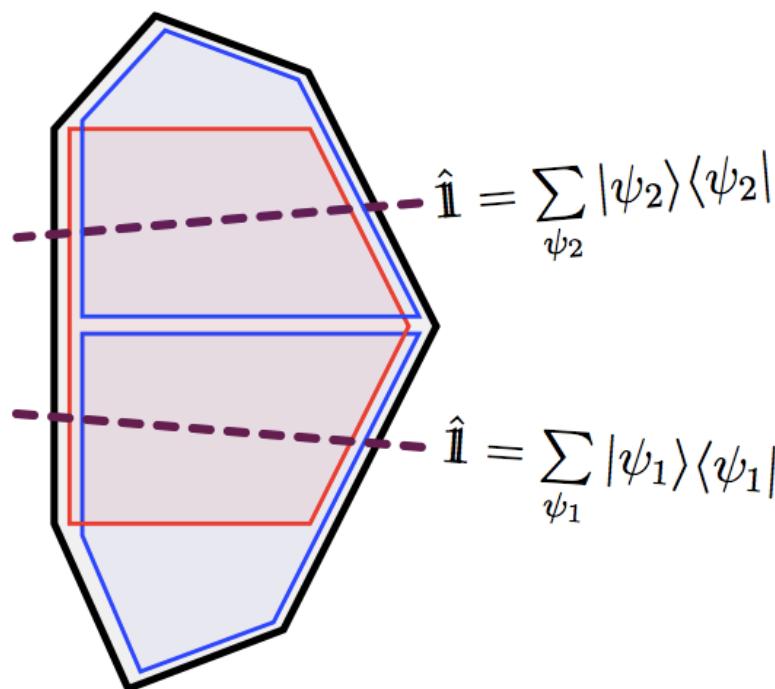
$e^r =$



$$r = \log \left( \frac{\langle W \rangle \langle W^{\text{square}} \rangle}{\langle W^{\text{top}} \rangle \langle W^{\text{bottom}} \rangle} \right)$$

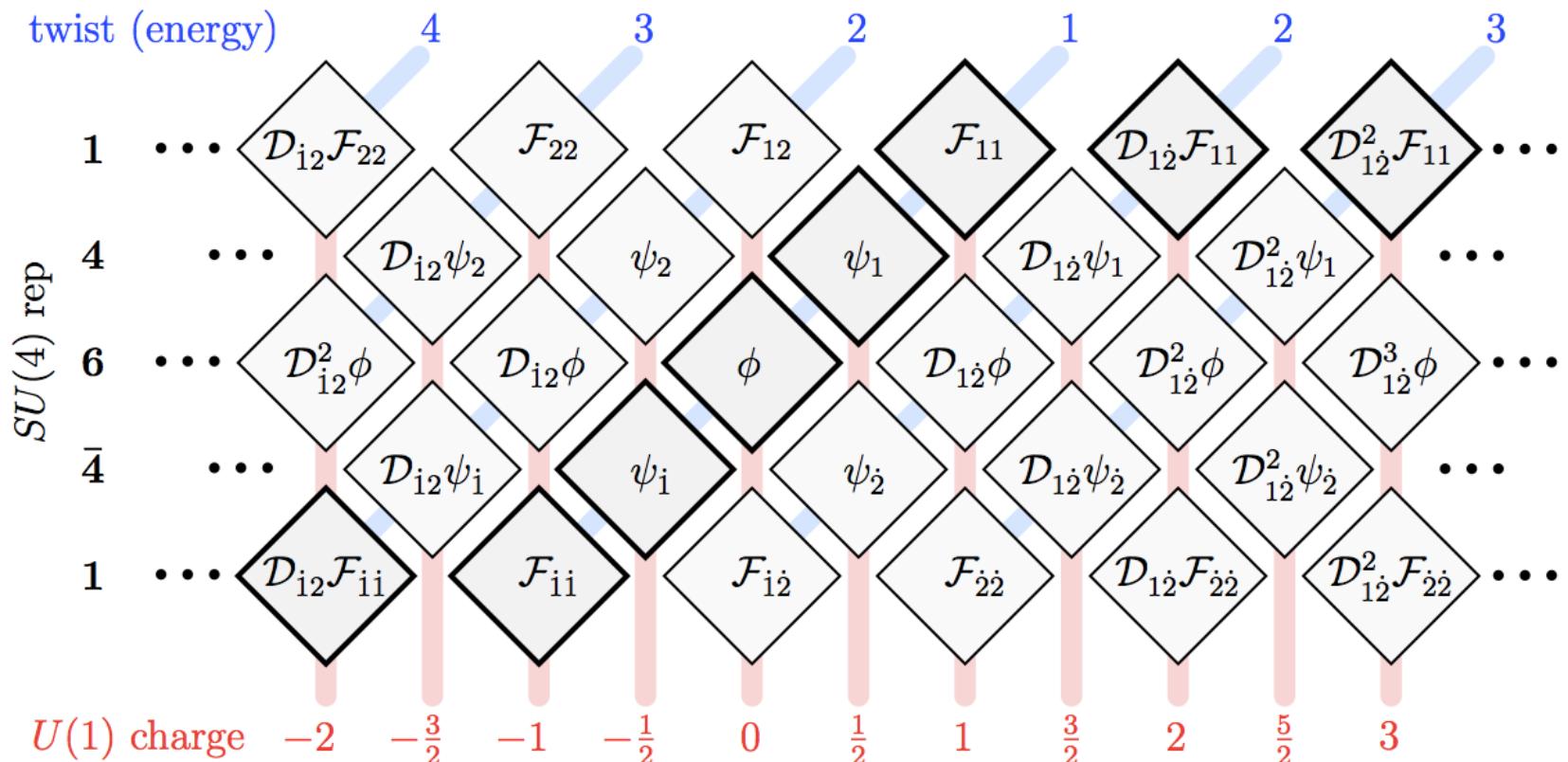
# OPE for Wilson loops. N=4 SYM

$$\mathcal{W} = \sum_{\psi_i} \left[ \prod_{i=1}^{n-5} e^{-E_i \tau_i + i p_i \sigma_i + i m_i \phi_i} \right] P(0|\psi_1) P(\psi_1|\psi_2) \dots P(\psi_{n-6}|\psi_{n-5}) P(\psi_{n-5}|0)$$



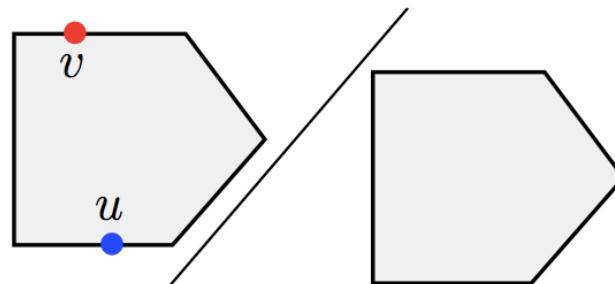
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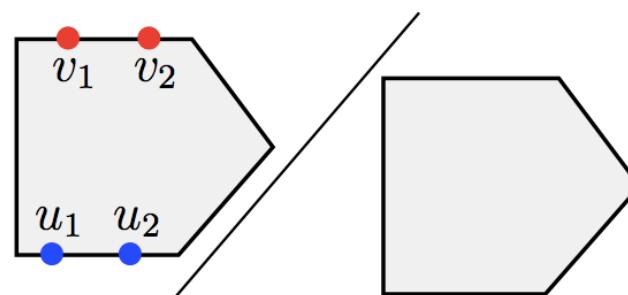


# OPE for Wilson loops. N=4 SYM

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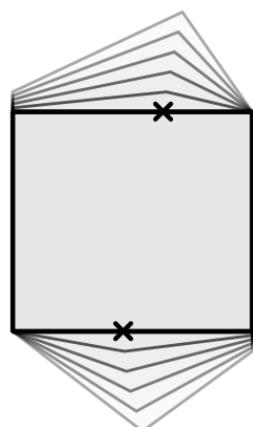
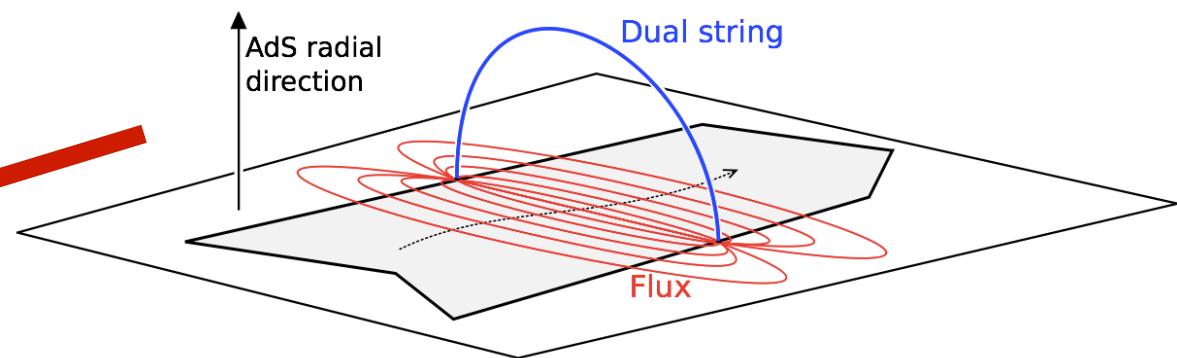
$$P(u_1, u_2 | v_1, v_2) =$$



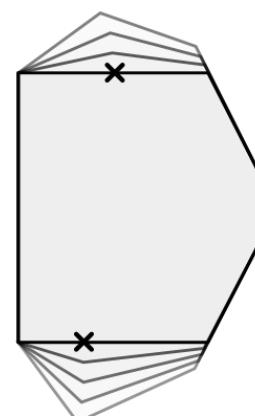
P – Pentagon transitions. Independent on kinematics, depends on operators anomalous dimension (string excitation energy)

# OPE for Wilson loops. N=4 SYM

How to actually compute  
Pentagon transitions ? P.T.  
analysis + AdS/CFT intuition –  
Pentagon transitions are  
related to 2D GPK string  
world sheet dynamics ( form  
factors ?)



$$\rightarrow \mu(u),$$



$$\rightarrow P(u|v)$$

# OPE for Wilson loops. N=4 SYM

$$P(u|v) \equiv P_{FF}(u|v)$$

$$P(u|v)^2 = \left[ \frac{f(u,v)}{g^2(u-v)(u-v-i)} \right]^\eta \frac{S(u,v)}{S(u^\gamma, v)}$$

One can conjecture the following ansatz for pentagon transitions (in all orders of  $g$  !!)

Here  $S$  are 2D S-matrixes of GPK string excitations (rather complicated functions)

$$f(u,v) = x^+ x^- y^+ y^- (1 - g^2/x^+ y^-) (1 - g^2/x^- y^+) (1 - g^2/x^+ y^+) (1 - g^2/x^- y^-) ,$$

$$x(u) = (u + \sqrt{u^2 - 4g^2})/2$$

# OPE for Wilson loops. N=4 SYM

Other pentagon transitions with multiple operator insertions can be obtained as:

$$P(\mathbf{u}|\mathbf{v}) = \frac{\prod_{i,j} P(u_i|v_j)}{\prod_{i>j} P(u_i|u_j) \prod_{i<j} P(v_i|v_j)}$$

Similar picture for other operators types

# OPE for Wilson loops. N=4 SYM P.T. example.

$$P(u|v) = -\frac{(u^2 + \frac{1}{4})\Gamma(iu - iv)(v^2 + \frac{1}{4})}{g^2 \Gamma(\frac{3}{2} + iu)\Gamma(\frac{3}{2} - iv)} + O(g^0) \quad \underset{v=u}{\text{Res}} P_{aa}(u|v) = \frac{i}{\mu_a(u)}$$

$$\mathcal{W}_6^{\text{gluons}+} = g^2 \sum_{a=1}^{\infty} e^{-a\tau+ia\phi} \int \frac{du}{2\pi} \frac{(-1)^a \Gamma(\frac{a}{2} + iu) \Gamma(\frac{a}{2} - iu)}{(\frac{a^2}{4} + u^2) \Gamma(a)} e^{2iu\sigma} + O(g^4)$$

$$\tilde{u}_1 = \frac{1}{1 + e^{-2\sigma} + e^{-\sigma-\tau+i\phi}}, \quad \tilde{u}_3 = \frac{1}{1 + e^{2\sigma} + e^{\sigma-\tau+i\phi}}$$

$$\mathcal{W}_6^{\text{gluons}+} = g^2 (\pi^2/6 - \text{Li}_2(1 - \tilde{u}_1) - \text{Li}_2(1 - \tilde{u}_3) - \log(\tilde{u}_1) \log(\tilde{u}_3)) + O(g^4)$$

Large tau expansion, additional small parameter

Similar results for MHV n=6 2 and 3 (!) loops, perfect agreement, 1-2 loops NMHV

$e^{-2\tau}$

# OPE for Wilson loops. N=4 SYM strong coupling.

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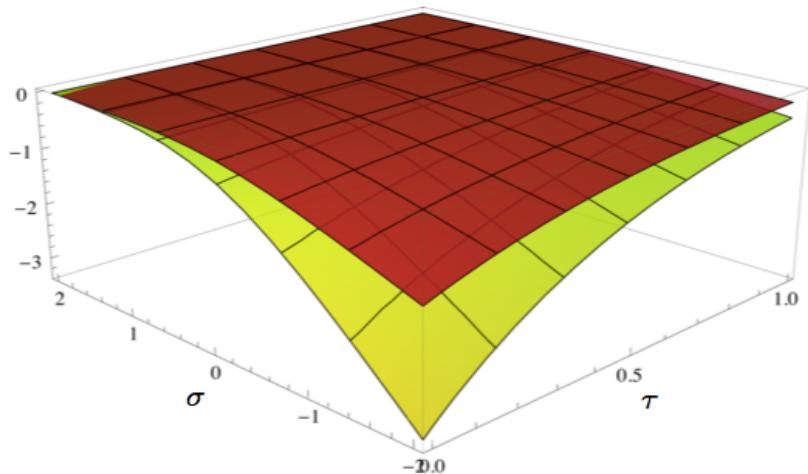
$$P(u|v) = 1 + \frac{2\pi}{\sqrt{\lambda}} K(\theta, \theta') + O(1/\lambda)$$

$$K(\theta, \theta') = \frac{i \cosh(2\theta) \cosh(2\theta')}{2 \sinh(2\theta - 2\theta')} \left[ \sqrt{2} \cosh(\theta - \theta' - i\frac{\pi}{4}) + 1 \right]$$

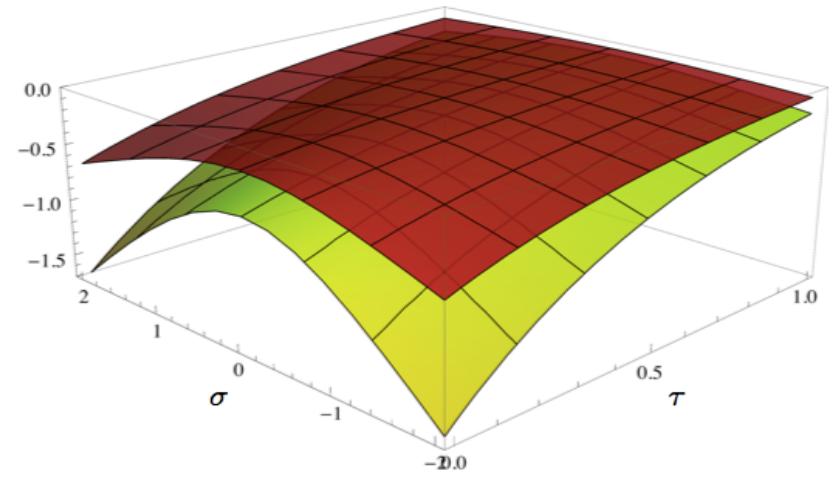
$$\mathcal{W} = \exp \left[ -\frac{\sqrt{\lambda}}{2\pi} Y Y_{cr} \right]$$

Exactly the same result as  
for the TBA solution of Y-  
system in minimal AdS5  
surface problem!  
(YangYang functional)

# OPE for Wilson loops. N=4 SYM finite coupling.



a)  $\mathcal{W}_{\psi\bar{\psi}}$



b)  $\mathcal{W}_{\psi\bar{\psi}} - \frac{1}{2}\Gamma_{\text{cusp}}e^{-2\tau}\sigma$

Figure 8: a) The two-fermion contribution  $\mathcal{W}_{\psi\bar{\psi}}$  for  $g = 1/2$  (top/red) and  $g = 1$  (bottom/yellow). The double pole in the fermion measure at zero momentum leads to a contribution that grows

# Open questions

- Additional P.T. tests – NNMHV, more loops and legs.
- Radius of convergence – finite tau.
- Strong coupling sub leading corrections.
- Numerical evaluations for finite coupling constant and tau.
- Resummation – can we obtain more simple representation of OPE series at finite coupling?
- Can OPE series can be actually derived from some string theory model ?

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$$S(u,v) = \frac{\Gamma(\frac{1}{2} - iu)\Gamma(\frac{1}{2} + iv)\Gamma(iu - iv)}{\Gamma(\frac{1}{2} + iu)\Gamma(\frac{1}{2} - iv)\Gamma(iv - iu)} F(u,v) ,$$

$$S(u^\gamma, v) = \frac{\pi g^2 \sinh(\pi(u-v))}{(u-v+i) \cosh(\pi u) \cosh(\pi v)} G(u,v) .$$

# OPE for Wilson loops. N=4 SYM

$$\log F = 2i \int_0^\infty \frac{dt}{t} (J_0(2gt) - 1) \frac{e^{-t/2}(\sin(ut) - \sin(vt))}{e^t - 1} - 2if_1 + 2if_2,$$

$$\log G = 2 \int_0^\infty \frac{dt}{t} (J_0(2gt) - 1) \frac{e^{t/2}(\cos(ut) + \cos(vt)) - J_0(2gt) - 1}{e^t - 1} + 2f_3 - 2f_4.$$

$$K_{ij} = 2j(-1)^{j(i+1)} \int_0^\infty \frac{dt}{t} \frac{J_i(2gt)J_j(2gt)}{e^t - 1}$$

$$\mathbb{M} \equiv (1 + K)^{-1} = 1 - K + K^2 - K^3 + \dots \quad \mathbb{Q}_{ij} = \delta_{ij}(-1)^{i+1} i$$

$$f_1(u, v) = 2\tilde{\kappa}(u) \cdot \mathbb{Q} \cdot \mathbb{M} \cdot \kappa(v), \quad f_2(u, v) = 2\tilde{\kappa}(v) \cdot \mathbb{Q} \cdot \mathbb{M} \cdot \kappa(v)$$

$$f_3(u, v) = 2\tilde{\kappa}(u) \cdot \mathbb{Q} \cdot \mathbb{M} \cdot \tilde{\kappa}(v), \quad f_4(u, v) = 2\kappa(v) \cdot \mathbb{Q} \cdot \mathbb{M} \cdot \kappa(v)$$

# OPE for Wilson loops. N=4 SYM

$$E(u) = 1 + 4g (\mathbb{Q} \cdot \mathbb{M} \cdot \kappa(u))_1 , \quad p(u) = 2u - 4g (\mathbb{Q} \cdot \mathbb{M} \cdot \tilde{\kappa}(u))_1$$