Excited string states using the multilevel algorithm.

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Intoduction

- Mechanism of Confinement : On the lattice there is evidence of flux tube formation.
- Conjecture : Flux tube \equiv bosonic string.



• Effective theories for flux tubes (hadronic strings) .

Energy states
$$E_n(R) = \sigma R \sqrt{1 + \frac{2\pi}{\sigma R^2} \left(n - \frac{1}{24} \left(d - 2\right)\right)}$$

 σ : string tension , d : # of space time dimensions

• Write down most general (series) action with vanishing conformal anomaly in any dimension. [Polchinski & Strominger]

- Write down action as a series in 1/r (r : length of flux tube) and impose open-closed duality. [Lüscher & Weisz]
 Open-closed duality constrains possible string spectra.
 Forbids 1/R² terms in the effective string action.
- Spectrum in PS prescription is universal to $\mathcal{O}(R^{-3})$ and to this order it coincides with the NG spectrum. [Drummond, Hari Dass & Matlock, Kuti, Maresca]
- LW formulation: To $\mathcal{O}(R^{-3})$, spectrum same as NG in 3-d. In 4-d one free parameter exists. [Lüscher & Weisz]
- Nambu-Goto partition function respects open-closed duality.

Observables on the lattice

 Polyakov loop correlators: Accurate ground state energy.

$$\langle P^{\dagger}P(r)\rangle = \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} b_i \exp[-E_i(r)N_t]$$



Wilson loops :
 Suitable for excited states

$$W(r, \Delta T) = \sum_{\alpha} \beta_i^{\alpha} \beta_j^{\alpha} e^{-E_{\alpha}(r)\Delta T}$$

• The string pictures holds at large $r \Rightarrow$ large loops.

- Note that $W(r, \Delta T) \propto \exp(-r\Delta T)$
- Since we need large r, we must either work with small ΔT , or have the means to extract exponentially suppressed signals from the noise.
- 1st alternative has been followed by Kuti *et.al.* using asymmetric lattices and a very large number of basis states.
- Advances in algorithms (e.g. multilevel schemes) and computing power now allow for exponential error reduction and reliable extraction of expectation values of large Wilson loops.

Algorithm - Ground State

• $a \otimes b = \top 1(2,2,2,2)$

 $(T1)_{ijkl}(T2)_{jmln} = (Tp1)_{imkn}$ Averaging is carried out for Tp1.

 The averaged Tp's are multiplied together to form the averaged propagator Tf.

 L1, L2 & Tf are multiplied together to produce the Wilson loop.



Important parameters of the algorithm : time slice thickness - Tp1 & the number of sublattice updates *iupd*.



2-link norm vs iupd for r=2,4,6 and 8 at β = 3

Some of the applications :

- 1. Ground state of the flux tube.
- 2. Excited states of the flux tube.
- 3. Profile of the flux tube.
- 4. Breaking of the flux tube.
- 5. 3-quark potential.
- 6. Glueball spectrum in SU(3) & U(1).
- 7. Energy momentum tensor of the gluonic field.

Ground state of the flux tube

Potential between static $q\bar{q}$ pair: (series in r^{-n})

$$V(r) \sim \sigma r + \hat{V} - c/r + \cdots$$

String predictions (d=3)

L.O.
$$f(r) = \sigma + \left(\frac{\pi}{24}\right) \frac{1}{r^2}$$

N.L.O. $f(r) = \sigma + \left(\frac{\pi}{24}\right) \frac{1}{r^2} + \left(\frac{\pi}{24}\right)^2 \frac{3}{2\sigma r^4}$
Arvis $f(r) = \sigma \left(1 - \frac{\pi}{12\sigma r^2}\right)^{-1/2}$
 $c(r) = -\frac{\pi}{24} \left(1 + \frac{\pi}{8\sigma r^2}\right)$
 $c(r) = -\frac{\pi}{24} \left(1 - \frac{\pi}{12\sigma r^2}\right)^{-\frac{3}{2}}$

Perturbation theory

$$V_{\text{pert}}(r) = \sigma_{\text{pert}}r + \frac{g^2 C_F}{2\pi} \ln g^2 r + \text{(higher order terms)} \quad (1)$$



 $f_{\text{pert}}(r)$: 1-loop perturbation theory. Dotted line : $r_0^2 f(r) = 1.65$, locates the Sommer scale.



 $c_{\text{pert}}(r)$: 1-loop perturbation theory with $\beta = 12.5$ closest to data and $\beta = 5$ farthest.

Excited states of the flux tube

Behaviour under charge conjugation and parity $- \mathbf{CP}$ **P:** Reflect in $q\bar{q}$ axis : $x(\kappa) \rightarrow -x(\kappa)$ C: Interchange q and \bar{q} : $x(\kappa) \rightarrow x(r - \kappa)$





Algorithm - Excited states



A wilson-loop with different sources at the ends, that lie in the middle of the timeslices. The slices with the solid lines are the time slices with fixed lines during the sublattice updates.

	W	/1	W	2	W ₃		
r	New	Old	New	Old	New	Old	
4	0.44	0.15	2.7	7.0	9.2	100	
5	0.63	0.21	2.7	8.3	8.6	100	
6	0.86	0.28	2.7	4.5	8.8	100	
7	1.1	0.35	2.9	7.3	8.8	100	
8	1.4	0.45	3.1	5.5	9.5	100	
9	1.7	0.56	3.6	10	11	100	
10	2.1	0.74	4.2	11	14	100	
11	2.7	1.0	5.8	27	22	100	
12	3.5	1.7	8.6	88	44	100	

Percentage errors for Wilson loops for energies E_1 , E_2 and E_3 . $\beta = 5$, T = 8 with r varying between 4 - 8. Time ≈ 1100 mins. Old method: 730 mesurements with no source averaging. New method: 50 mesurements with 12000 updates for source averaging.

2-link averaging was same for both methods.

Energy of the string excited states

L.O.
$$E_n = \sigma r + \mu + \frac{\pi}{r} (n - \frac{d-2}{24})$$

N.L.O $E_n = \sigma r + \mu + \frac{\pi}{r} (n - \frac{d-2}{24}) - \frac{\pi^2}{2\sigma r^3} (n - \frac{d-2}{24})^2$
Arvis $E_n = \sigma r (1 + \frac{2\pi}{\sigma r^2} (n - \frac{d-2}{24}))^{1/2}$

We will look mostly at the energy difference $E_n - E_m$.

Correction factors

$$W(T) = \alpha_1 e^{-ET} \left(1 + \frac{\alpha_2}{\alpha_1} e^{-\delta T} \right)$$
$$-\frac{1}{T_2 - T_1} \log \frac{W(T_2)}{W(T_1)} = \bar{E} + \frac{1}{T_2 - T_1} \left[\frac{\alpha_2}{\alpha_1} e^{-\delta T_1} \left(1 - e^{-\delta (T_2 - T_1)} \right) \right].$$



 E_2 equires a better "wave function" as we approach the continuum limit. Used source (b) to couple strongly to E_2 .

460 measurements with old & new wave functions at $\beta = 7.5$.

T	Lat	t_s	N_s	N_t	R	15	16	17	18	19	20
6	36 ³	4	18000	1500	A	0.62	0.73	0.85	0.99	1.23	1.60
10	40 ³	4	18000	2500	B	0.39	0.45	0.50	0.60	0.77	0.99

Left: Parameters of the testruns to compare the operators. **Right:** Relative error of \overline{E}_2 in % for operator sets A and B.



Plot shows E_2 values using source (a) and (b). (b) values coincide with corrected (a) values, but have lower error bars.

β	r_0	a[fm]	R	$\{S_i\}$	T	T[fm]	t_s	size	N_s	N_t	#meas
7.5	6.288	0.0795	7 – 20	A	6 10 14 18	0.477 0.795 1.113 1.431	4	38 ³ 40 ³ 42 ³ 54 ³	36000	1500 3000 9000 18000	4400 6468 11176 6512
10.0	8.660	0.0581	9 – 27	A	8 10 14 18	0.465 0.581 0.814 1.046	6 4 6 4	40 ³ 50 ³ 56 ³ 54 ³	48000	3000 3000 6000 12000	1272, 1272, 1296* 2352, 2544, 2568 6384, 6216, 6480 8664, 8304, 8472
10.0	8.660	0.0581	9 – 27	В	6 8 10 14	0.349 0.465 0.581 0.814	4 6 4 6	48 ³ 48 ³ 50 ³ 56 ³	48000	1500 3000 6000 12000	2000, 2000** 2000, 6000 2000, 7960 2000, 2000
12.5	10.92	0.0458	11 – 29	A&B	8 10 14 18	0.366 0.458 0.641 0.824	6 4 6 4	48 ³ 50 ³ 56 ³ 72 ³	36000	2000 3000 6000 12000	1000 4000 7080 2080

The number of measurements marked with * corresponds to the R values 9-15, 17-21, 23-27

and the ones marked with ** to 9-15, 17-27 respectively.



Results for the total energies E_n . The •'s are the values for $\beta = 7.5$, **I**'s for $\beta = 10.0$ and **\equiv 's** for $\beta = 12.5$. **\equiv are corrected values for** $\beta = 10.0$ and **\equiv for** $\beta = 12.5$. The results have been rescaled, such that $E_n^{\text{LO}} = n$.



Left: Results for the energy difference ΔE_{10} . **Right:** Results for the difference ΔE_{20} . The •'s are the values for $\beta = 7.5$, while $\mathbf{\nabla}$ are corrected values for $\beta = 10.0$ and $\mathbf{\Delta}$ for $\beta = 12.5$. Deviations from Nambu-Goto predictions at higher orders have been reported by Giudice, Gliozzi and Lottini in JHEP 0903 (2009) 104, arXiv 0901.0748 for gauge duals of random percolation problems. Conclusions

- For the Lüscher term, the asymptotic value is approached in a non-monotonic way with *r*.
- Almost impossible to distinguish the type of the string from the force data. Differences are at the level of 0.1% at $2r_0$.
- c(r) suggests that a Nambu-Goto like behaviour is good beyond $2.5r_0$.
- We have found a way to use the multilevel philosophy for the excited states as well.
- We need to use both the multilevel technique as well as improved wave functions to go ahead. We have taken a first step to show how it can be done.