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Three-Point Functions in $N=4$ SYM from Integrability

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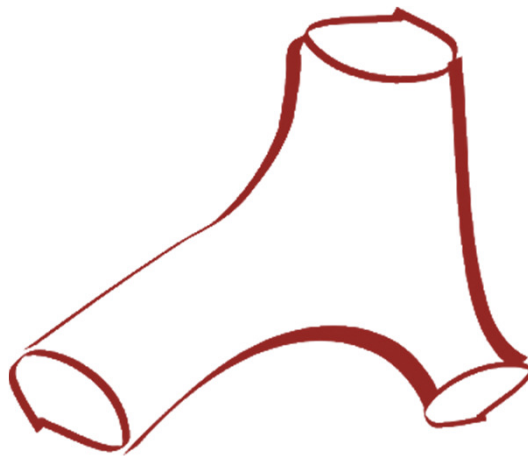
Let us calculate it at strong coupling

$$\lambda \rightarrow \infty$$

to check/**understand** AdS/CFT.

How?

- Classical string in AdS ($\lambda \rightarrow \infty$)
- Worldsheet correlation functions $\langle V_I V_J V_K \rangle$ in the classical limit
- Integrability



“3-legged” string

Why? (1/3)

Since N=4 SYM is conformal,

$$\langle \mathcal{O}_I(x) \mathcal{O}_J(y) \rangle = \frac{\delta_{IJ}}{|x - y|^{2\Delta_I}}$$

Δ_I : scaling dimension

C_{IJK} : structure constant

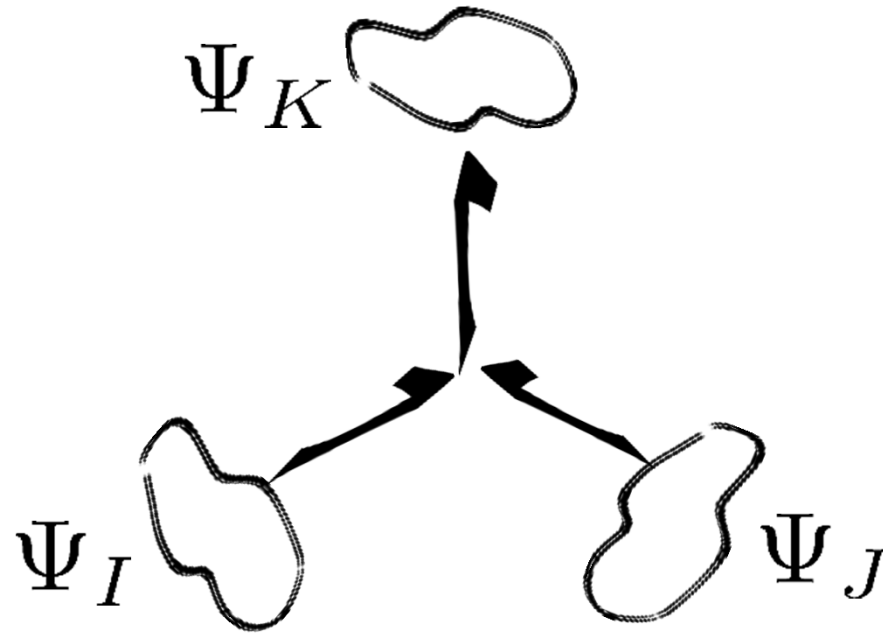
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Δ_I and C_{IJK} together determine the theory through the OPE.

$$C_{IJK} \equiv \begin{array}{c} \mathcal{O}_K \\ | \\ \mathcal{O}_I \text{---} \mathcal{O}_J \end{array}$$

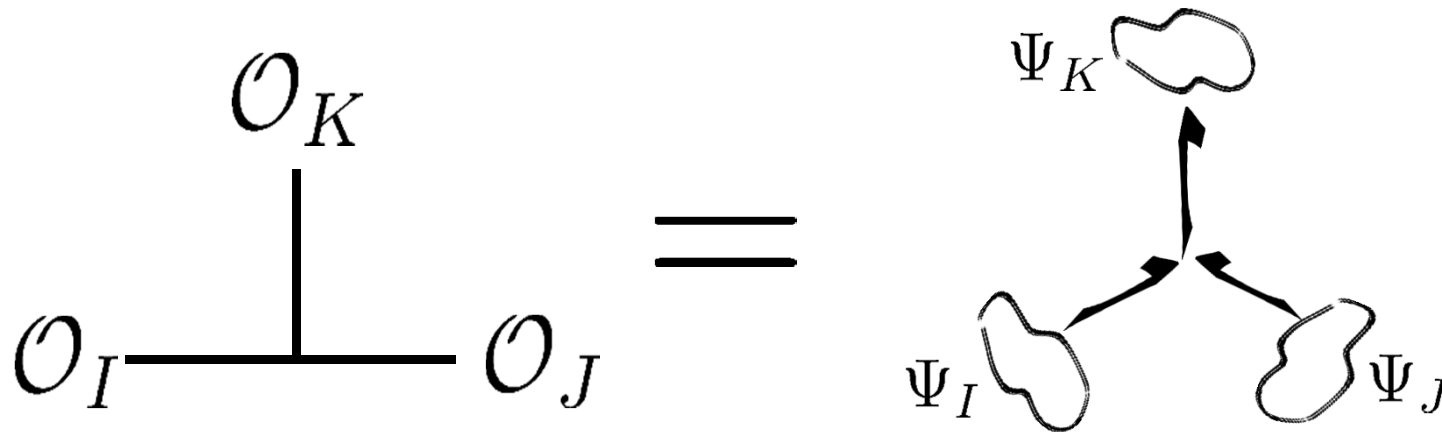
Why? (2/3)

Related to the interaction vertex of three strings on AdS by AdS/CFT.



Why? (3/3)

Hopefully, important for understanding the mechanism of AdS/CFT.



I will discuss this point more in detail later.

Outline

Introduction: AdS/CFT and correlation functions

Two point functions (review of the known results, ~2009)



Three point functions (2011~)



Summary and Prospect


Our Works

Introduction:
AdS/CFT and correlation functions

AdS₅/CFT₄ correspondence:

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \mathcal{N} = 4 \text{ SU}(N_c) & \text{=} & \text{superstring on} \\ \text{super Yang-Mills} & & \textit{AdS}_5 \times S^5 \\ \text{4d gauge theory} & & \text{10d string theory} \\ & & \text{(quantum gravity)} \end{array}$$

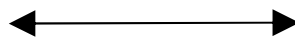
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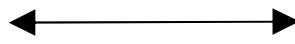


$$S_{\text{string}} = \sqrt{\lambda} \int d^2 z \partial X_\mu \bar{\partial} X^\mu + \text{fermion}$$

string tension

$$N_c$$

color



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string loop effect



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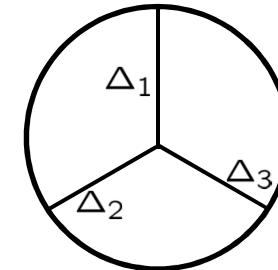
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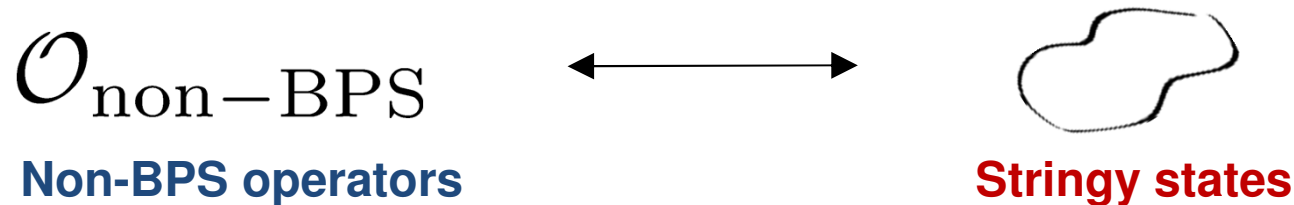
Correlation functions of
 $\frac{1}{2}$ BPS operators

$$\langle \mathcal{O}_1(x_1) \mathcal{O}_2(x_2) \mathcal{O}_3(x_3) \rangle$$

Boundary to bulk correlators
of SUGRA



- The relation to supergravity modes is widely used in the applications of holography (AdS/cond-mat, AdS/QCD).
- However, the original AdS/CFT correspondence predicts much stronger correspondence.



- Such quantities are not protected by supersymmetry. Difficult to obtain exact results.

Use integrability.

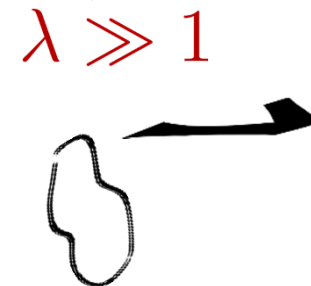
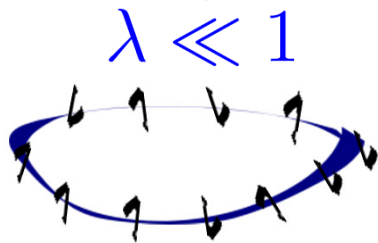
Two point functions

Two point functions from Integrability

Integrability has been proven to be useful for the calculation of two point functions.

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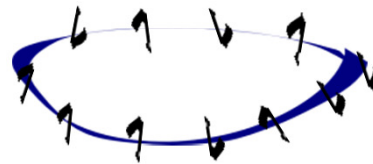
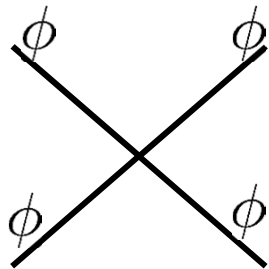
$\delta\Delta_{\text{one-loop}} \simeq H_{\text{spin-chain}}$ $\Delta =$ Energy of classical string solution



**Prediction at any coupling
from Thermodynamic Bethe Ansatz**

$$\lambda \ll 1$$

spin-chain from 1-loop gauge theory



$\mathcal{N} = 4$ SYM

Lagrangian

$$\mathcal{L} = \frac{1}{2g_{\text{YM}}^2} \text{tr} (F_{\mu\nu} F^{\mu\nu} + (D_\mu \phi_i)^2 + [\phi_i, \phi_j]^2 + \bar{\psi}^a i \gamma^\mu \partial_\mu \psi^a + \bar{\psi}^a \Gamma_{ab}^i [\phi_i, \psi^b])$$

$$i, j = 1, \dots, 6 \quad a, b = 1, \dots, 4$$

All in the **adjoint** representation of SU(N).

Supersymmetry

Q^a : **Four** sets of supersymmetries

R-symmetry $\text{SU}(4) \simeq \text{SO}(6)$

ϕ_i : SO(6) vector

ψ^a : SO(6) Weyl spinor

Γ_{ab}^i : SO(6) gamma matrix

helicity	fields
1	A_μ
$\frac{1}{2}$	$\psi^1, \psi^2, \psi^3, \psi^4$
0	$\phi_1, \phi_2, \phi_3, \phi_4, \phi_5, \phi_6$
$-\frac{1}{2}$	$\bar{\psi}^1, \bar{\psi}^2, \bar{\psi}^3, \bar{\psi}^4$
-1	A_μ

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In summary, we need to

- i) Calculate Z_{ab} perturbatively.
- ii) Diagonalize Z_{ab} and calculate its eigenvalues.

Calculation of $Z_a{}^b$

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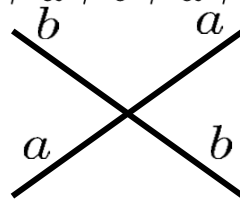
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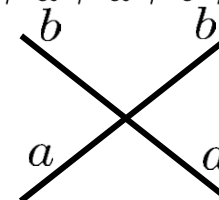
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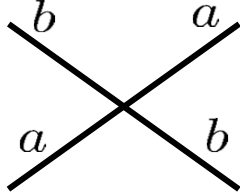
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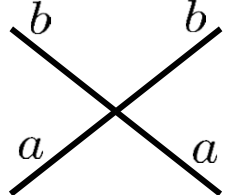
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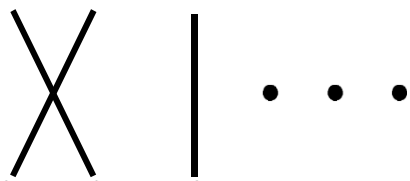
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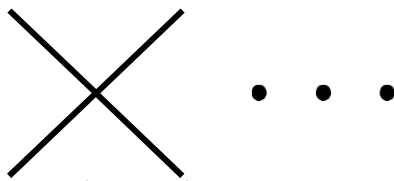
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In **large N**, only adjacent two fields can interact at one loop.



$\text{tr}(\phi_{i_1} \phi_{i_2} \phi_{i_3} \cdots)$

Leading contribution



$\text{tr}(\phi_{i_1} \phi_{i_2} \phi_{i_3} \cdots)$

Suppressed by 1/N

Nearest-neighbor interaction

Including all the other interactions,

$$\gamma = \frac{\lambda}{16\pi^2} \sum_{\ell} \begin{array}{c} b \quad b \\ \diagdown \quad \diagup \\ a \quad a \\ \ell \quad \ell+1 \end{array} - 2 \begin{array}{c} b \quad a \\ \diagdown \quad \diagup \\ a \quad b \\ \ell \quad \ell+1 \end{array}$$

Hamiltonian of SO(6) spin-chain



Solvable by **Bethe-Ansatz**.

If operators are made up **only of the following two fields**,

$$X := \phi_1 + i\phi_2$$

spin "up"

$$Z := \phi_3 + i\phi_4$$

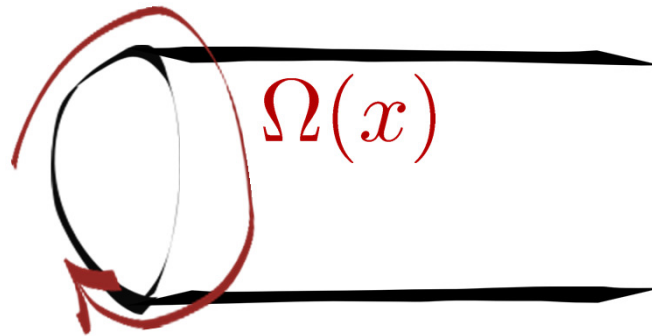
spin "down"

$$\gamma \propto \sum_i S_x^{(i)} S_x^{(i+1)} + S_y^{(i)} S_y^{(i+1)} + S_z^{(i)} S_z^{(i+1)}$$

Heisenberg spin-chain

$$\lambda \gg 1$$

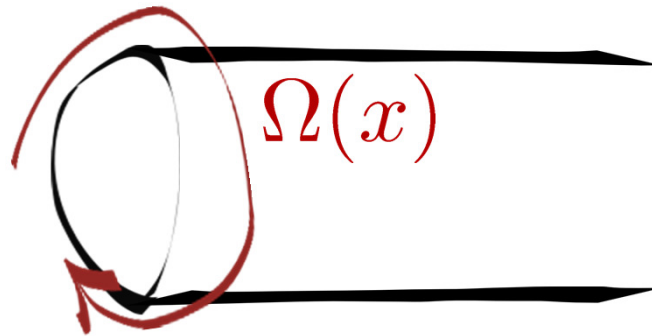
Two point function from classical string



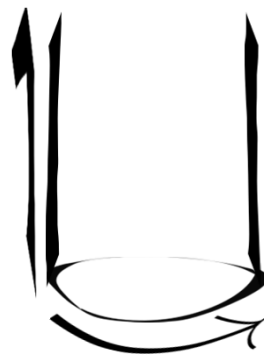
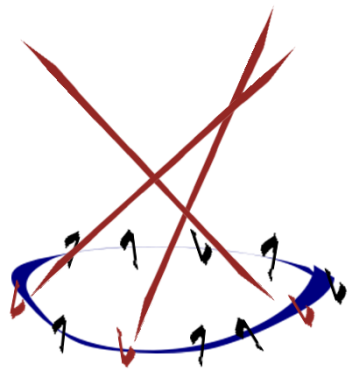
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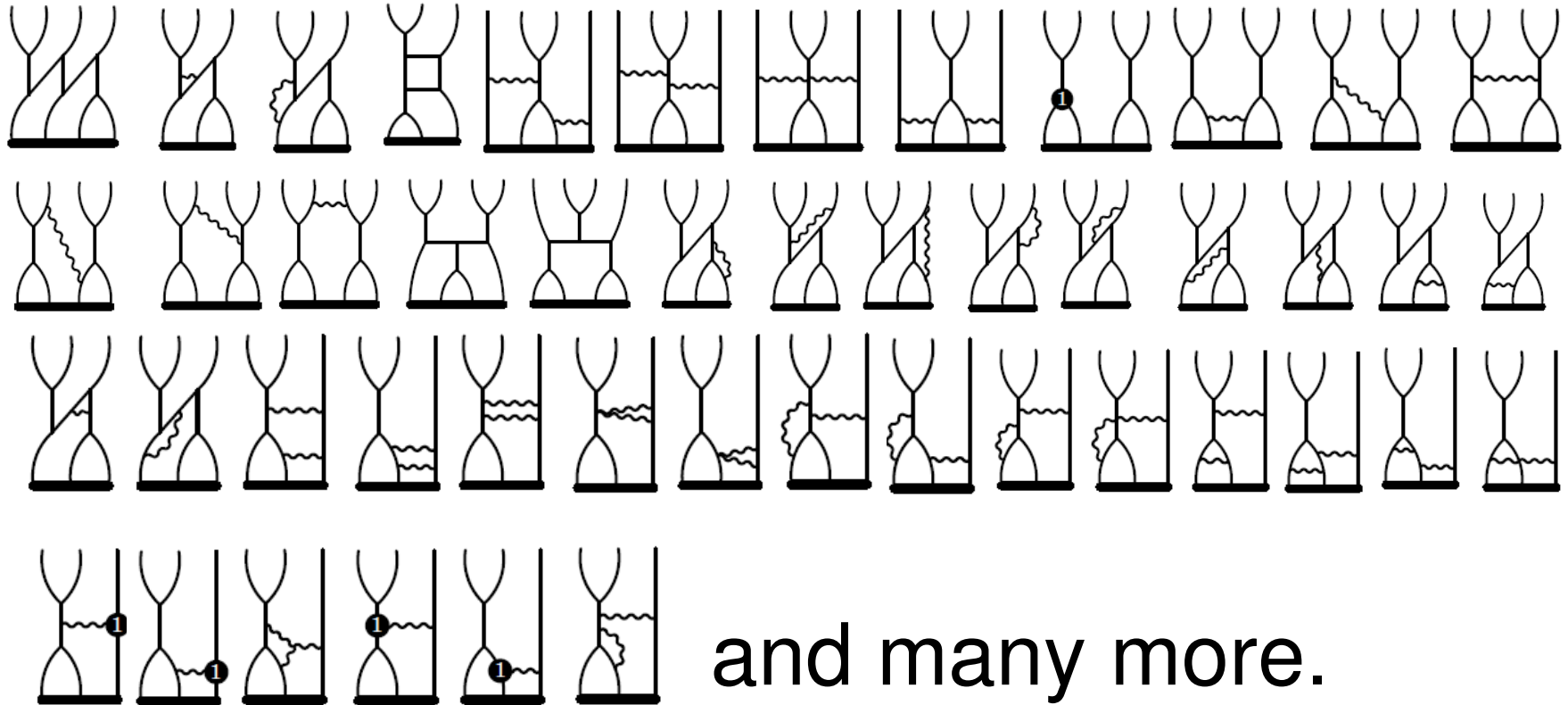
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Beyond 1-loop



Higher-loop calculation



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Hopeless...

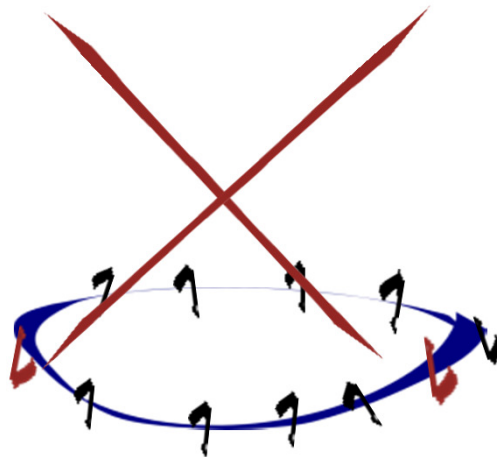
many more.

if you are not Russian...

Fortunately, there is an easier (but technical) way.

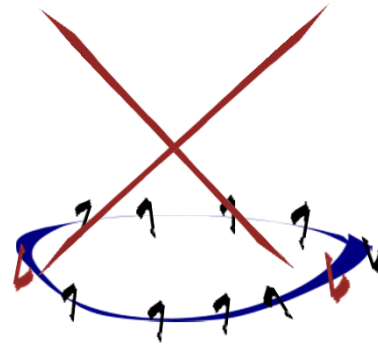
Consider **a scattering problem on the spin-chain.**

Instead of trying to construct the spin-chain Hamiltonian.



All-loop calculation(1)

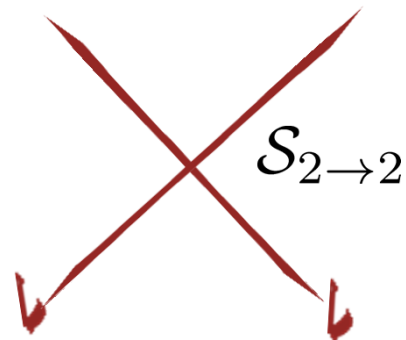
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Symmetry
SO(6), SO(4,2), SUSY

Results from
+ 1-loop gauge theory
Classical string


Determine


 $\mathcal{S}_{2 \rightarrow 2}$

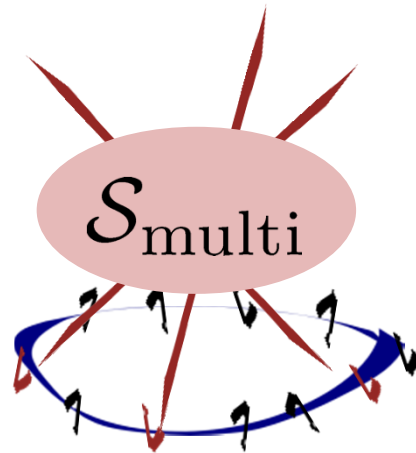
2→2 S-matrix

$$E - J = \sqrt{1 + \frac{\lambda}{\pi^2} \sin^2 p/2}$$

Dispersion relation

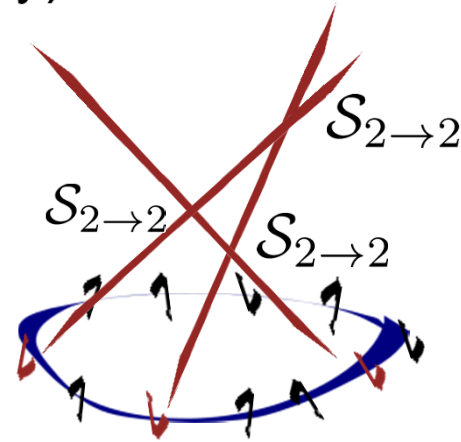
All-loop calculation(2)

Assume factorization (\approx integrability). Verified up to 3-loop.



Multi-particle S-matrix

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Product of 2 \rightarrow 2 S-matrices

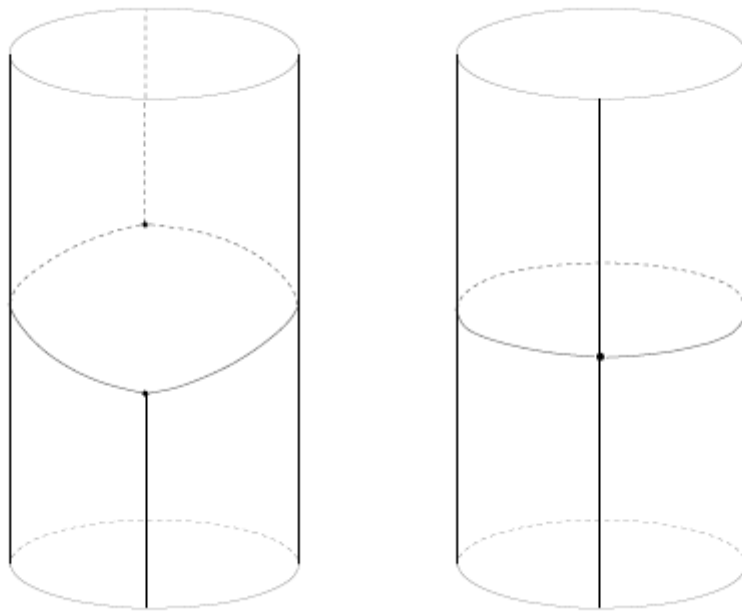
Δ of **infinitely long operators** are determined.

$$\text{tr} (\cdots XXXZZX\mathcal{D}ZX\mathcal{D}ZZZ \cdots)$$



All-loop calculation(3)

To calculate the finite size effect, we can use Luscher formula.



Correction by virtual particles.

Finite-size effect

Luscher formula

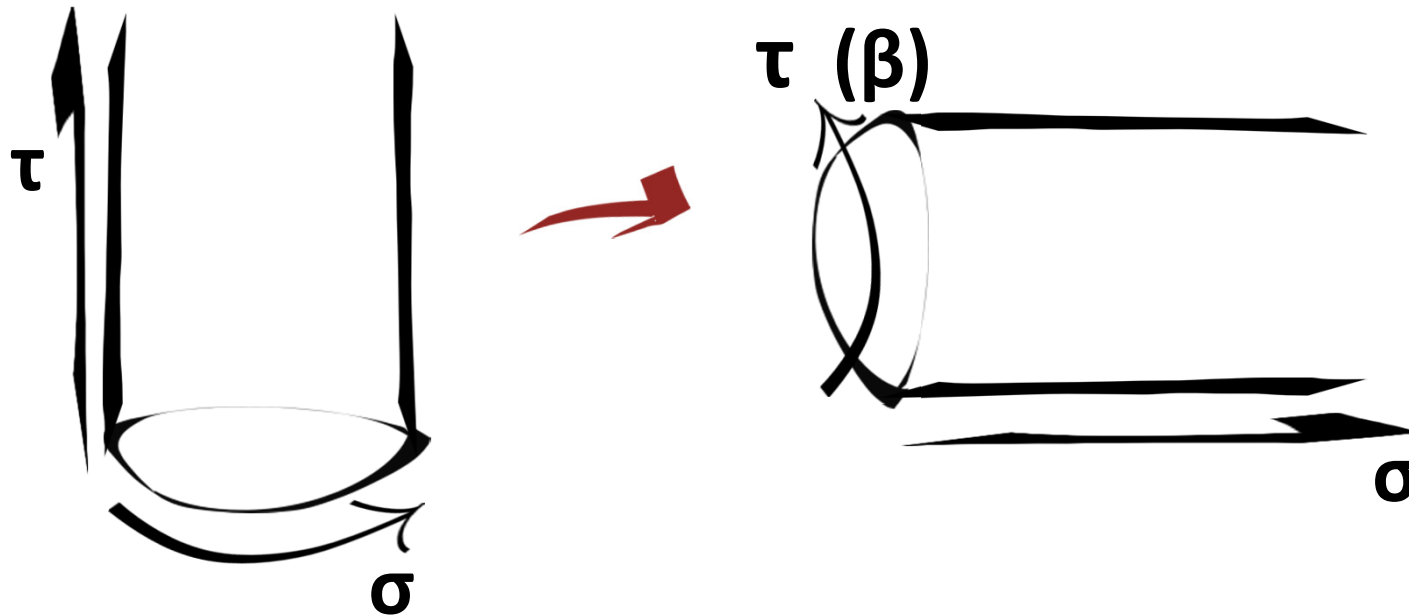


S-matrix


Also used in lattice gauge theory

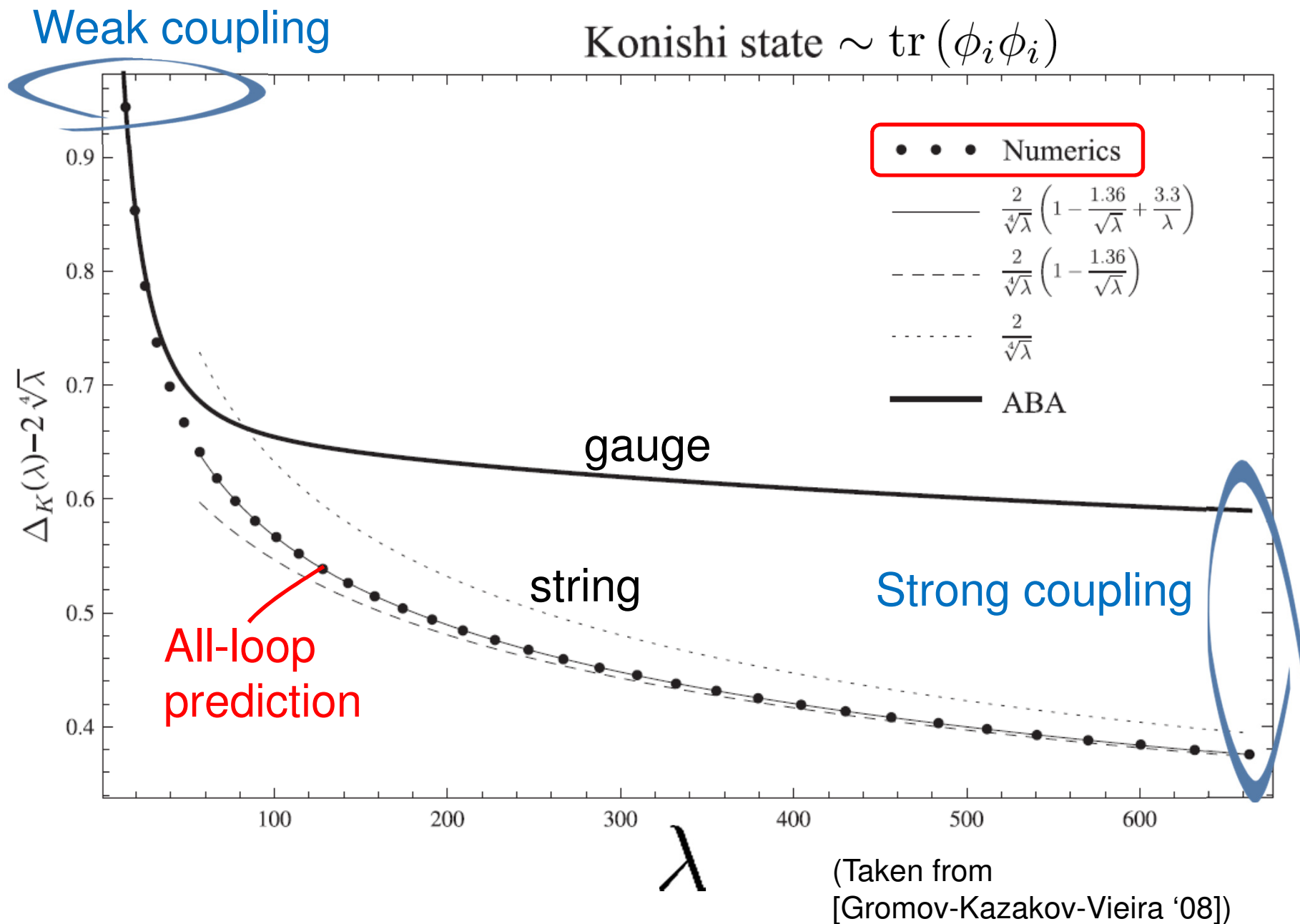
All-loop calculation(4)

More powerful way in this case: **Thermodynamic** Bethe Ansatz
Exchange “space” and “time” of the spin chain.



Finite size effect \rightarrow Finite **temperature** effect

 Calculable by **Thermodynamic** Bethe Ansatz.
(coupled nonlinear integral equations)



Remarkable and impressive results.

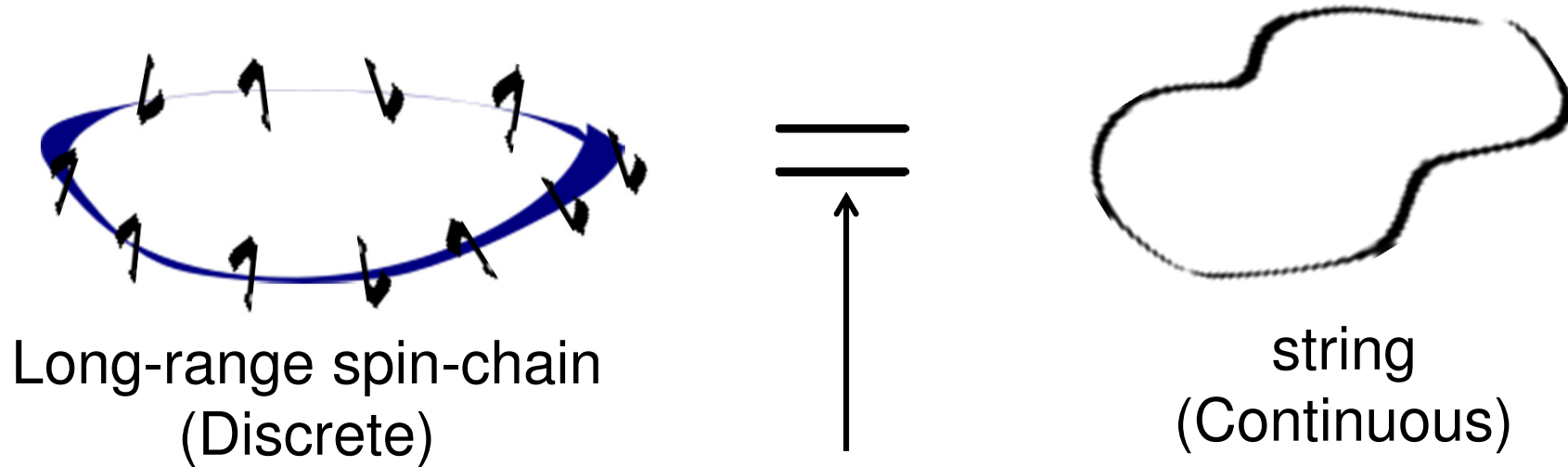
But...

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But...

“What did we learn about the
fundamental **mechanism** of AdS/CFT?”

For instance...



Without taking the
continuum limit

Why ?

Perhaps not much.

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➡ Compare **wave functions**.

Wave functions

Wave functions for the spin chain (the gauge theory)

$$\Psi_{\text{spin}} = \text{tr} (X X Z) + \dots \quad \leftarrow \mathcal{O}^{\text{ren}}$$

Exact form of the renormalized operator

Wave functions for the string

$$\Psi_{\text{string}} = \left| \text{cloud shape} \right\rangle$$

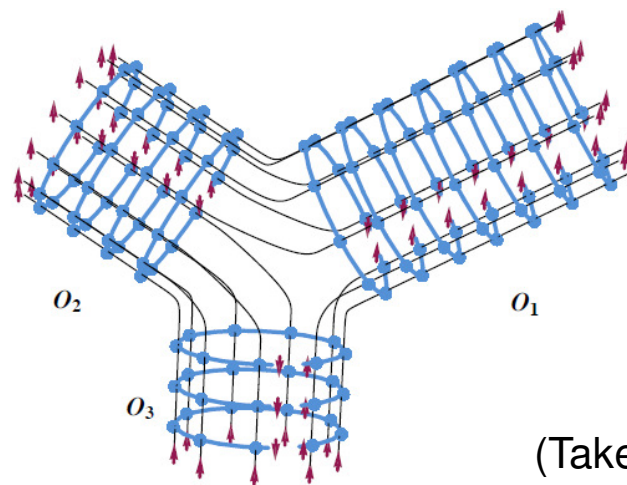
Encodes the shape and the motion of the string

For the spectrum problem: We didn't really need wave functions.
For three point functions: Wave functions are important.

To study 3-pnt functions is a good starting point

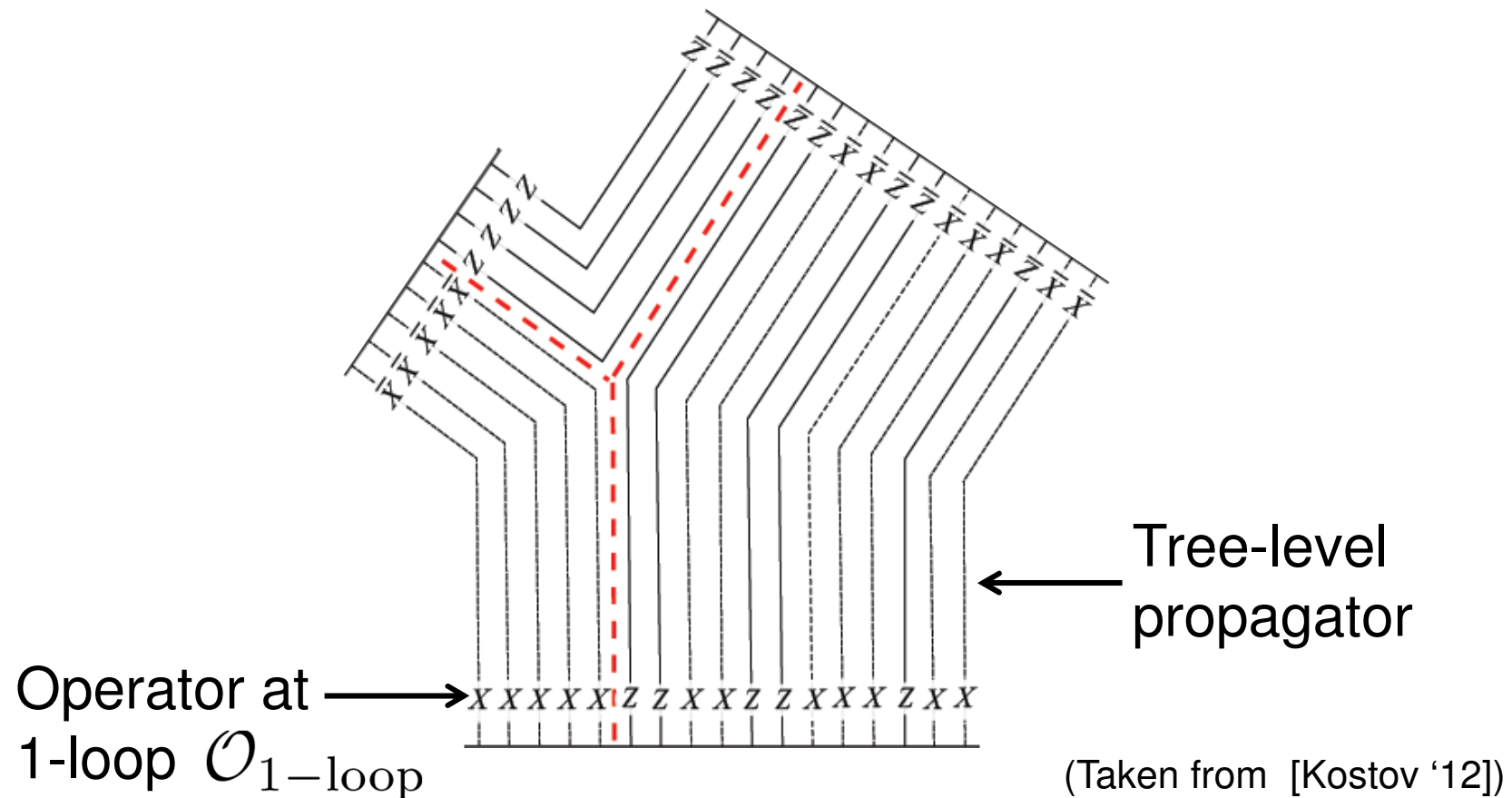
Three point functions

Lowest order calculation of the gauge theory



(Taken from [Gromov, Vieira '12])

Lowest order calculation of three point functions

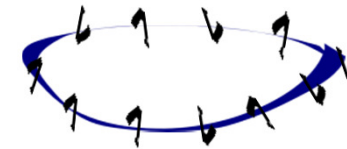


At 0-loop a huge number of operators are degenerate.
We need to use operators at 1-loop.
(degenerate perturbation theory)

In terms of spin-chain...

- Construct the wave function of the spin-chain.

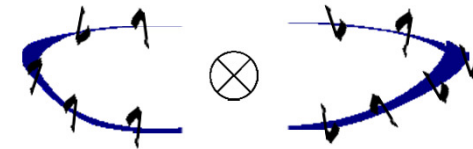
$$|\Psi_I\rangle$$



- Divide the spin chain into two parts.

$$|\Psi_I\rangle \rightarrow \sum_a |\Psi_{I,a}^{(l)}\rangle \otimes |\Psi_{I,a}^{(r)}\rangle$$

entangled state

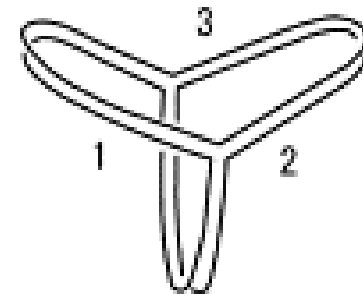


- Flip the right-part (Ket to Bra).

$$\rightarrow \sum_a |\Psi_{I,a}^{(l)}\rangle \langle \Psi_{I,a}^{(r)}| =: \hat{\Psi}_I$$

- Calculate the overlap by taking a trace.

$$C_{IJK} \sim \text{Tr} \left(\hat{\Psi}_I \hat{\Psi}_J \hat{\Psi}_K \right)$$

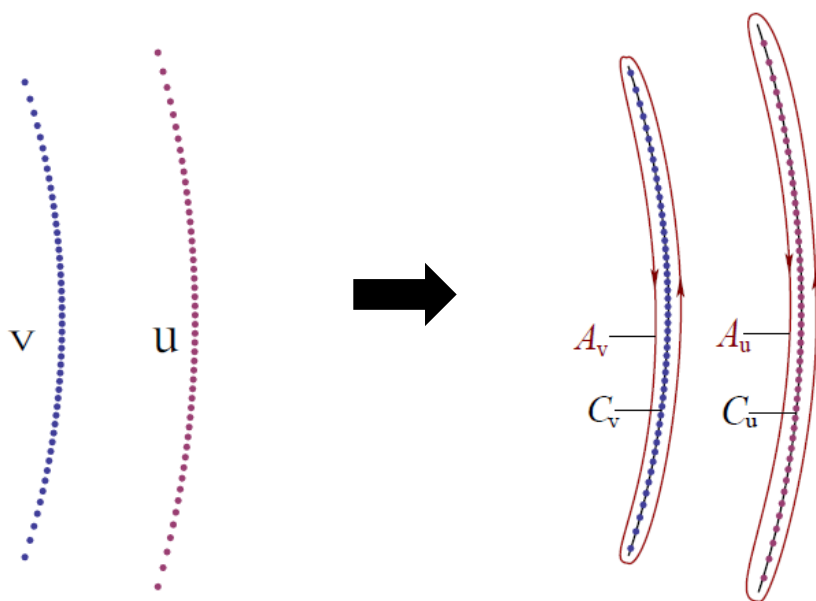


Wave functions are important

Result for long operators

For 3 long operators...

$$\begin{aligned} \ln C_{123} \sim & \oint \frac{du}{2\pi} \text{Li}_2(e^{i(p_1(u)+p_2(u))}) - \oint \frac{du}{2\pi} \text{Li}_2(e^{-ip_3(u)}) \\ & - \frac{1}{2} \oint \frac{du}{2\pi} \text{Li}_2(e^{2ip_1(u)}) - \frac{1}{2} \oint \frac{du}{2\pi} \text{Li}_2(e^{2ip_2(u)}) - \frac{1}{2} \oint \frac{du}{2\pi} \text{Li}_2(e^{2ip_3(u)}) \end{aligned}$$



Contour integrals on
a certain Riemann
surface.

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$\lambda \ll 1$

The overlap of three
spin-chain wavefunctions $\Psi_{I,J,K}^{\text{spin-chain}}$

originally by [Okuyama-Tseng], [Roiban-Volovich], [Alday et al.]

recently by [Escobedo-Gromov-Sever-Vieira], [Kostov]
(one-loop)

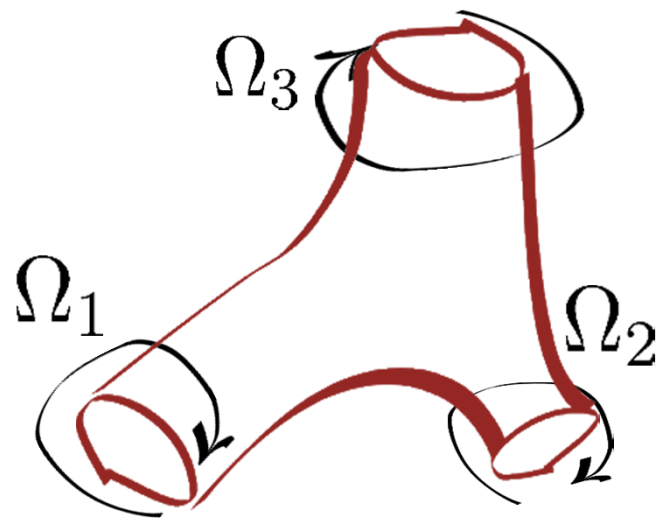
[Gromov-Vieira], [Serban]
(two-loop)

$\lambda \gg 1$

Classical string solution with
three legs



[Janik-Wereszczynski], [Kazama-SK]



**Three point function from
three-legged string**

$$AdS_5 \times S^5$$

Definition

$$AdS_5 : X_{-1}^2 + X_0^2 - X_1^2 - X_2^2 - X_3^2 - X_4^2 = -1$$

symmetry: $SO(4,2)$

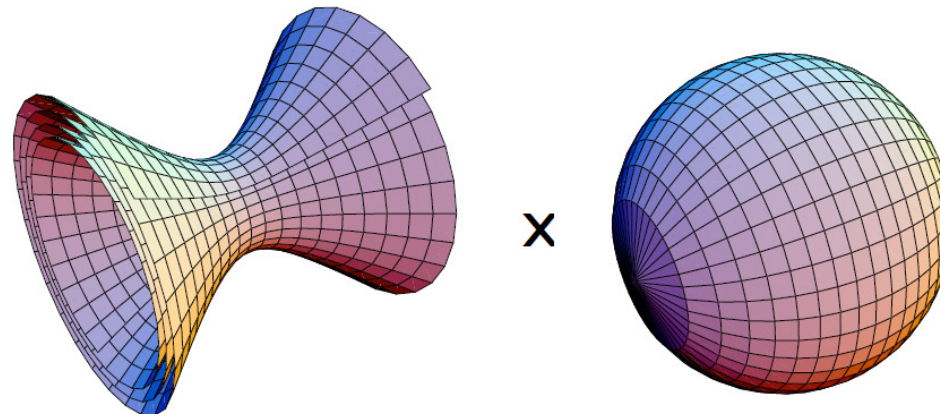
$$S^5 : Y_1^2 + Y_2^2 + Y_3^2 + Y_4^2 + Y_5^2 + Y_6^2 = 1$$

symmetry: $SO(6)$

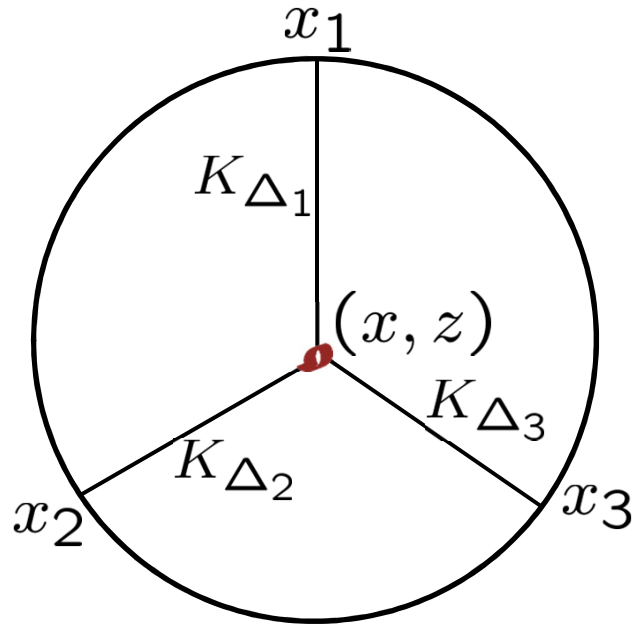
Poincare coordinate (x_0, x_1, x_2, x_3, z)

$$X_{-1} + X_4 = \frac{1}{z}, \quad X_i = \frac{x_i}{z} \quad (i = 0, 1, 2, 3)$$

$z = 0$: boundary of AdS



GKP-Witten for SUGRA



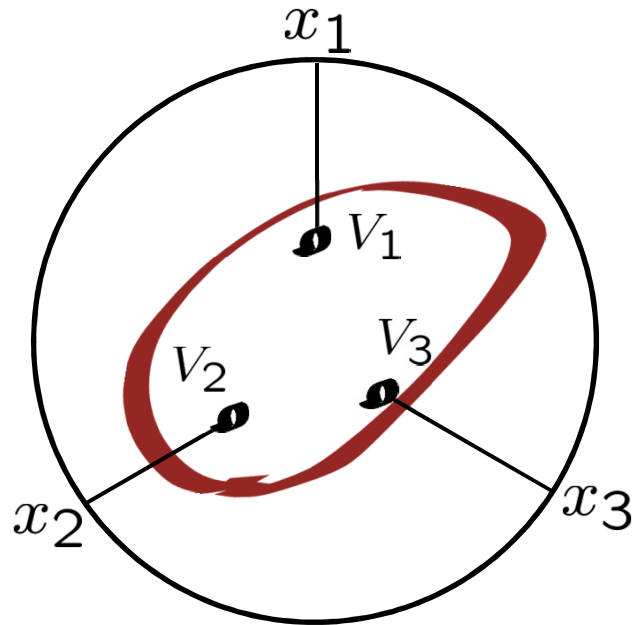
$$K_{\Delta_I}(x_I; x, z) \sim \left(\frac{z}{(x - x_I)^2 + z^2} \right)^{\Delta_I} \times (\text{Factor})$$

spin, R-charge, etc.

$$\langle \mathcal{O}_1(x_1) \mathcal{O}_2(x_2) \mathcal{O}_3(x_3) \rangle_{\text{gauge theory}}$$

$$= \int \frac{dz d^4x}{z^5} K_{\Delta_1}(x_1; x, z) K_{\Delta_2}(x_2; x, z) K_{\Delta_3}(x_3; x, z)$$

GKP-Witten for **strings**



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$$V_I[x_I; X(\sigma)] \sim \left(\frac{z(\sigma)}{(x(\sigma) - x_I)^2 + z(\sigma)^2} \right)^{\Delta_I} \times (\text{Factor})$$

spin, R-charge, string oscillation.

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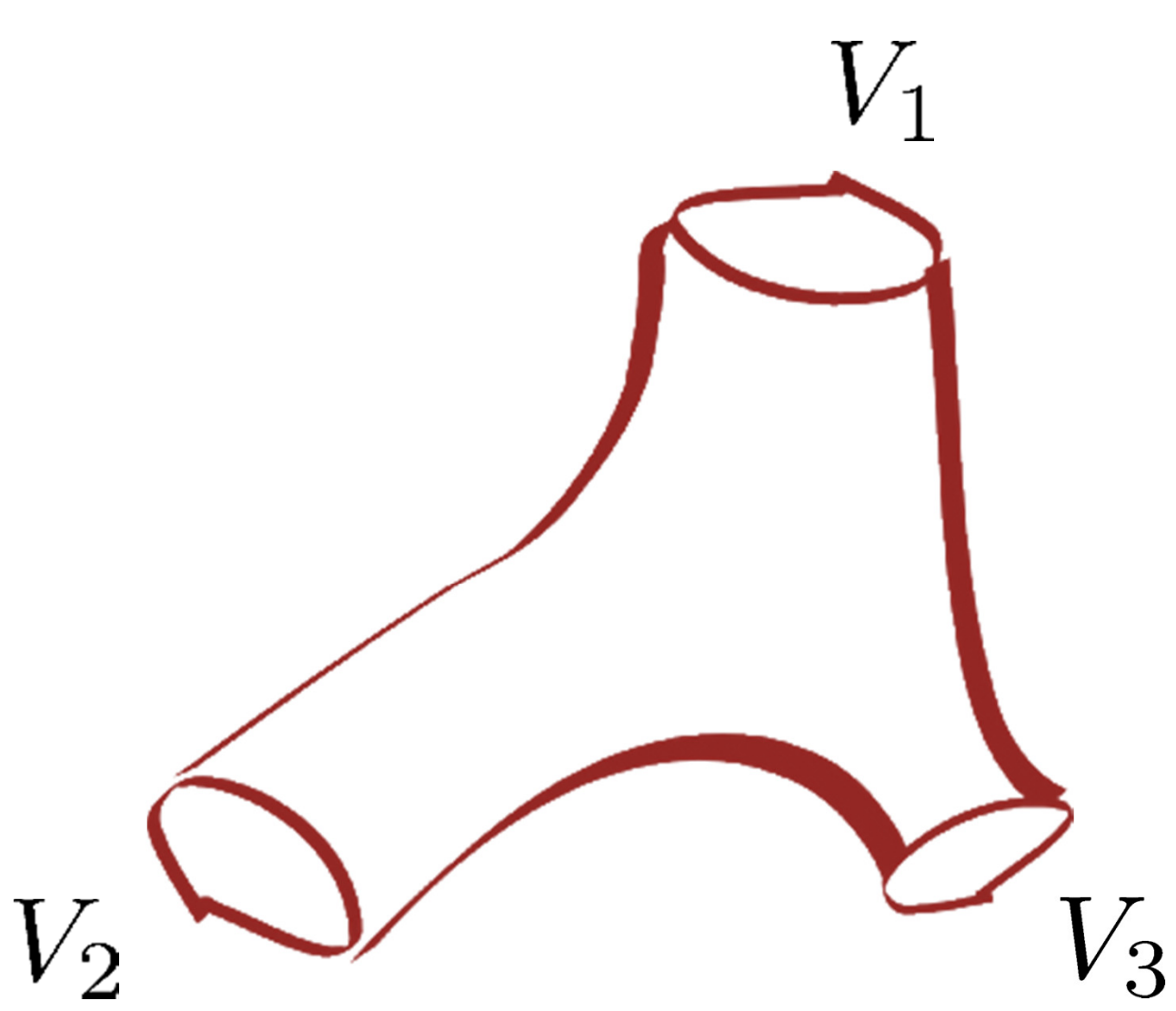
**Dominated by
a saddle point**

$$\partial \bar{\partial} X_\mu + \cdots = -\frac{1}{\sqrt{\lambda}} \sum_i \frac{\delta}{\delta X^\mu} \ln V_i(z_i)$$

➔ $V_1[X_*(z_1)] V_2[X_*(z_2)] V_2[X_*(z_3)] e^{-S[X_*]}$

X_* : saddle point trajectory





X_*

Saddle configuration

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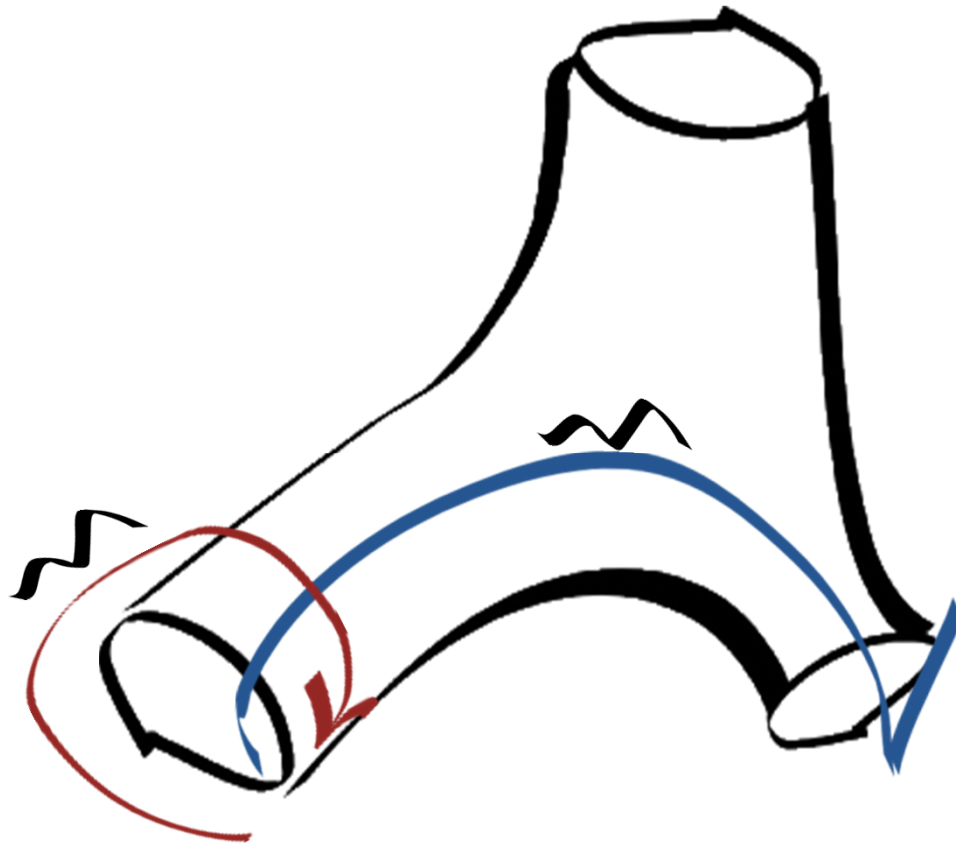
What should we do to know the property of something unknown?

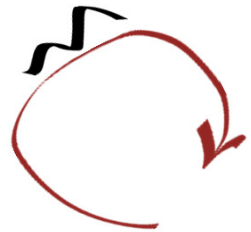
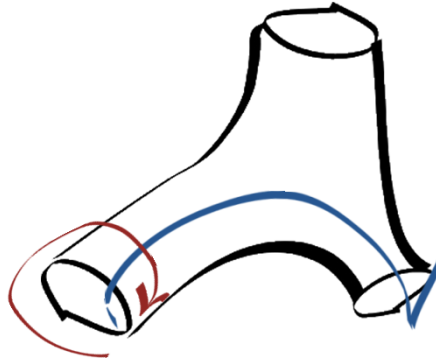


(Experimental) Physicist's Approach



In this case, we can perform two kinds of such experiments.

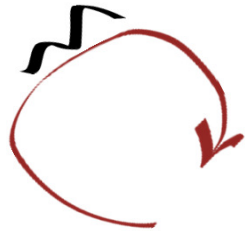
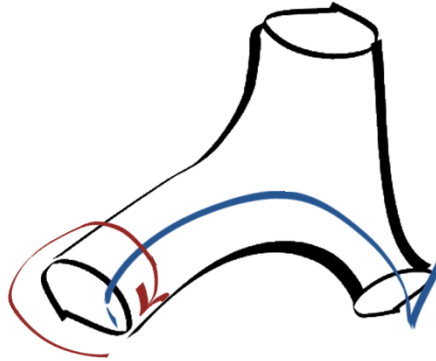




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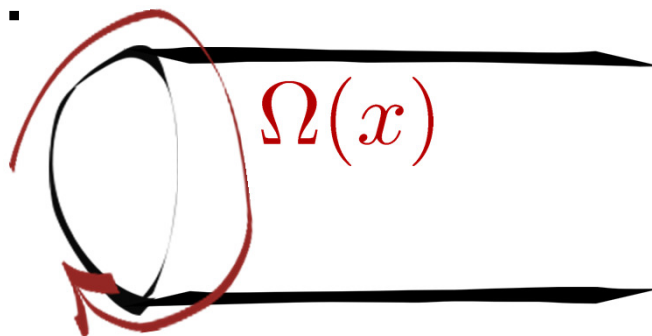


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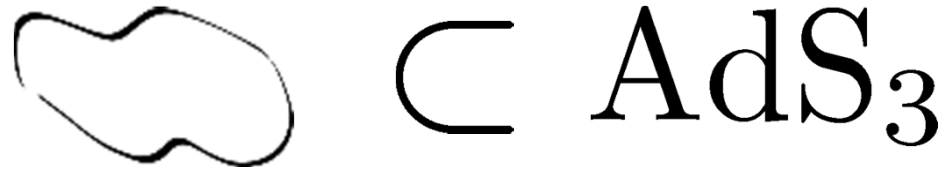


-experiment:



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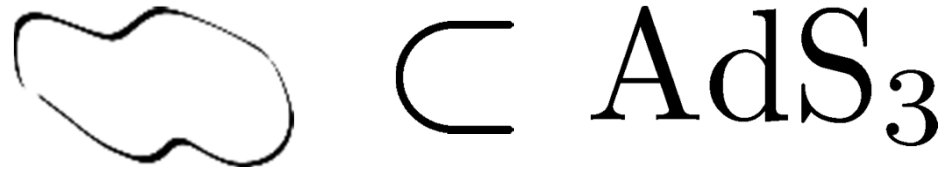
$$\text{Eq. of motion: } \partial \bar{\partial} X^\mu + (\partial X^\nu \bar{\partial} X_\nu) X^\mu = 0$$

$$z = \tau + i\sigma$$

Nonlinear. Difficult.

String e.o.m as “gauge fields”

Consider,




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$$\text{Factor} [\partial \bar{\partial} X^\mu + (\partial X^\nu \bar{\partial} X_\nu) X^\mu = 0]$$

Shift + Enter

String e.o.m as “gauge fields”

Consider,


$$\subset \text{AdS}_3$$

$$\text{AdS}_3 : X_{-1}^2 + X_0^2 - X_1^2 - X_4^2 = -1$$

$$\left[\partial + \frac{J_z}{1-x}, \bar{\partial} + \frac{J_{\bar{z}}}{1+x} \right] = 0$$

$J : 2 \times 2$ matrix $x : \text{arbitrary parameter}$

$$J_z = g^{-1} \partial_z g, \quad g = \begin{pmatrix} X_{-1} + X_4 & X_0 + X_1 \\ -X_0 + X_1 & X_{-1} - X_4 \end{pmatrix}$$

“Gauge field”

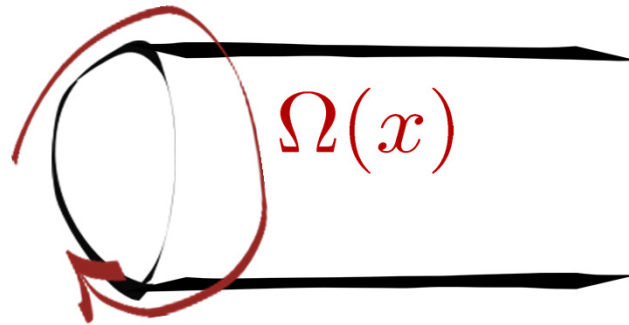
E.O.M \rightarrow Field strength = 0

Auxiliary linear problem:

$$\left(\partial + \frac{J_z}{1-x}\right) \Psi(z; x) = 0 \qquad \left(\bar{\partial} + \frac{J_{\bar{z}}}{1+x}\right) \Psi(z; x) = 0$$

-experiment:

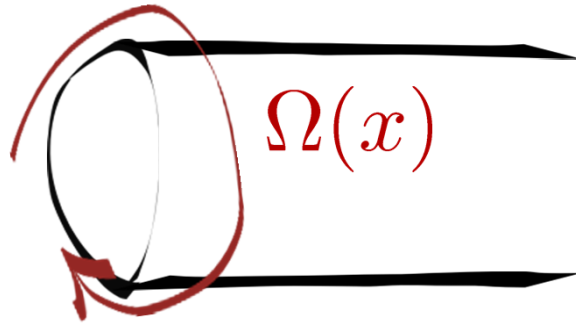
$$\Psi(e^{2\pi i} z; x) = \Omega(x) \Psi(z; x)$$



$$\Omega(x) := \mathcal{P} \exp \left(\int_{\sigma=0}^{\sigma=2\pi} \frac{J_z}{1-x} dz + \frac{J_{\bar{z}}}{1+x} d\bar{z} \right)$$

Monodromy matrix

Quasi-momentum:



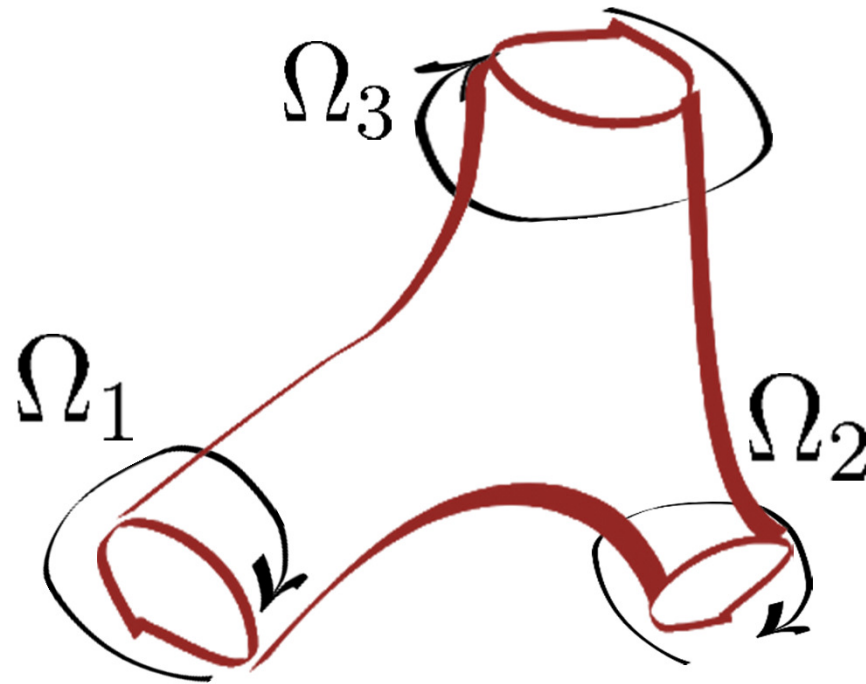
$$\Psi(e^{2\pi i} z; x) = \Omega(x) \Psi(z; x)$$

$$\Omega(x) \sim \begin{pmatrix} e^{ip(x)} & 0 \\ 0 & e^{-ip(x)} \end{pmatrix} \quad p(x) : \text{quasi-momentum}$$

All the information on the string state (charge, oscillation mode) is encoded in $p(x)$

$$p(x) = \Delta + xQ_2 + \dots$$

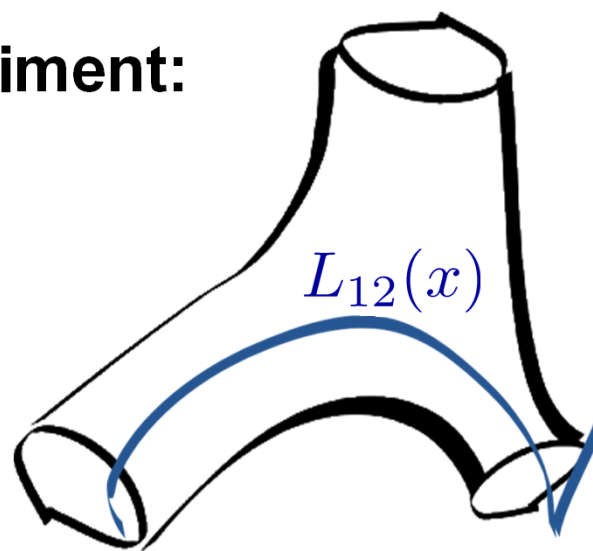
For three-point functions, we can perform such an experiment for each of the legs.



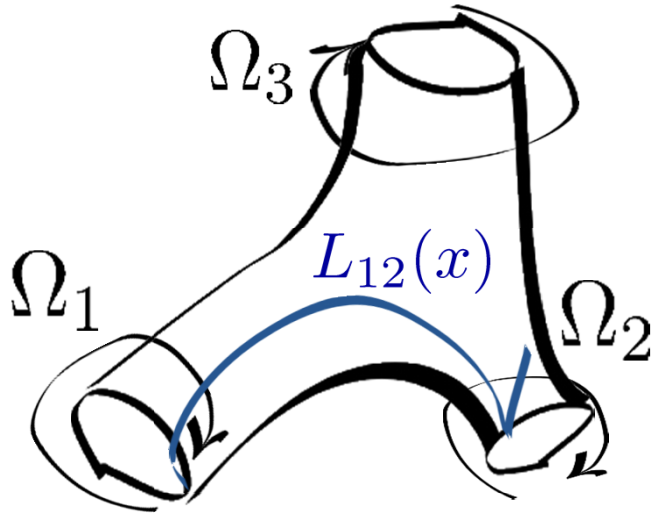
$$p_1(x), p_2(x), p_3(x)$$

Input for three point functions.

 -experiment:



Definition of L_{IJ}



$$\Omega_i \sim \begin{pmatrix} e^{ip_i(x)} & 0 \\ 0 & e^{-ip_i(x)} \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\underline{L_{12}(x) := \langle 1_+, 2_+ \rangle}$$

$$\text{cf. } \check{L}_{12}(x) := \langle 2_-, 1_- \rangle$$

i_{\pm} : eigenvectors of Ω_i

$$\Omega_i(x) i_{\pm} = e^{\pm ip_i} i_{\pm}$$

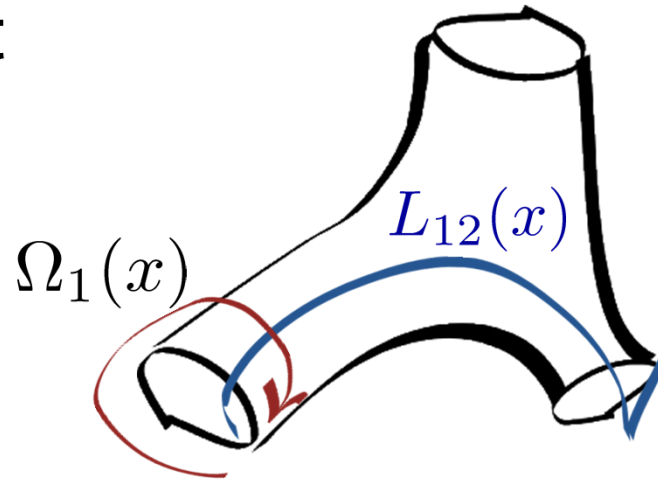
$$\langle \eta, \lambda \rangle := \epsilon_{\alpha\beta} \eta^{\alpha} \lambda^{\beta}$$

Skew symmetric product

 is what we need to know

It turns out that

[Detail]



$$S[X^*] \propto \text{Area} \sim Q_1^{(1)} \tilde{Q}_{12}^{(2)} + \dots$$

$$L_{12}(x) = \exp \left[\frac{\tilde{Q}_{12}^{(1)}}{\xi} + \xi \tilde{Q}_{12}^{(2)} + \dots \right]$$

\tilde{Q}_{IJ} : “charges” along
an open path

$$\text{tr } \Omega_1(x) = \exp \left[\frac{Q_1^{(1)}}{\xi} + \dots \right]$$

$$\xi = \sqrt{\frac{1-x}{1+x}}$$



Input

$$p_1(x), p_2(x), p_3(x)$$



Output

$$L_{IJ}(x) := \langle I_+, J_+ \rangle$$



$$S[X^*]$$

• Take the basis with which Ω_1 is diagonal. $\Omega_1 = \begin{pmatrix} e^{ip_1} & 0 \\ 0 & e^{-ip_1} \end{pmatrix}$

• Ω_2 is constrained by the following condition.

$$\Omega_2 = \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix} \quad \begin{cases} a + d = e^{ip_2} + e^{-ip_2} \\ ad - bc = 1 \end{cases}$$

• From the triviality of the monodromy at infinity,

$$\Omega_1 \Omega_2 \Omega_3 = 1, \quad \Omega_3 = \Omega_2^{-1} \Omega_1^{-1} = \begin{pmatrix} e^{-ip_1} d & -e^{ip_1} b \\ -e^{-ip_1} c & e^{ip_1} a \end{pmatrix}$$

$$e^{-ip_1} d + e^{ip_1} a = e^{ip_3} + e^{-ip_3}$$

• a and d can be determined from above two equations.

$$a = -i \frac{\cos p_3 - e^{-ip_1} \cos p_2}{\sin p_1} \quad d = -i \frac{e^{ip_1} \cos p_2 - \cos p_3}{\sin p_1}$$

• Only the product, bc, can be determined. Individual value depends on the normalization of the basis.

$$U \Omega_i U^{-1} \quad U = \begin{pmatrix} u & 0 \\ 0 & u^{-1} \end{pmatrix}$$

- Certain combinations of Wilson lines are free from such ambiguity.

$$L_{12}(x)\check{L}_{12}(x) = \frac{\sin \frac{p_1+p_2+p_3}{2} \sin \frac{p_1+p_2-p_3}{2}}{\sin p_1(x) \sin p_2(x)}$$

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- To separate out the individual term,

Consider analytic properties w.r.t. x .

- Let me first explain why we can separate out the individual term if we know the analytic properties.

e.g. Large spin twist-2 operators

$L_{12}(x)$: regular on the upper half plane of ξ

$\check{L}_{12}(x)$: regular on the lower half plane of ξ

$$\xi = \sqrt{\frac{1-x}{1+x}}$$

*Details of the analytic properties differ depending on string states we consider.

Wiener-Hopf decomposition

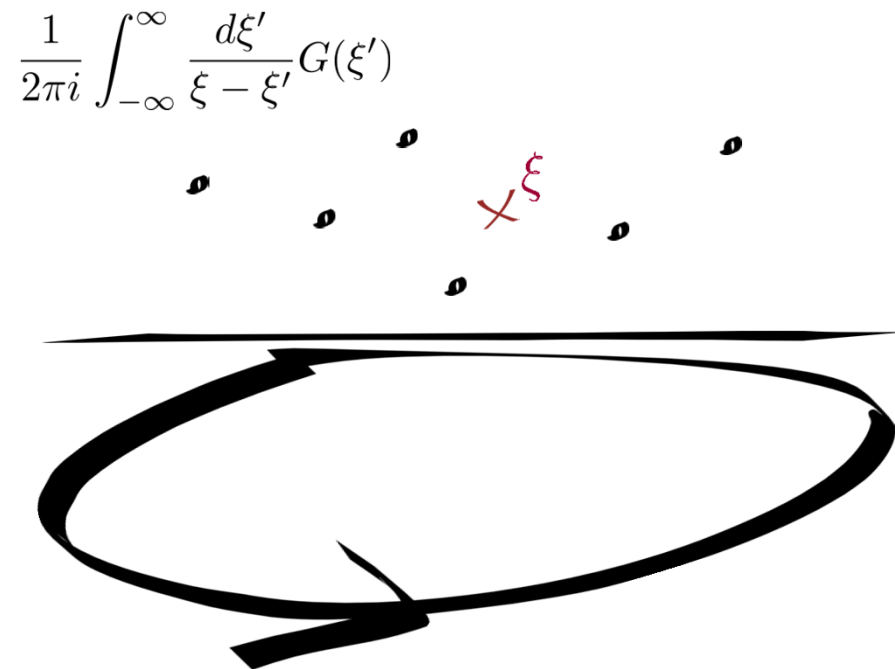
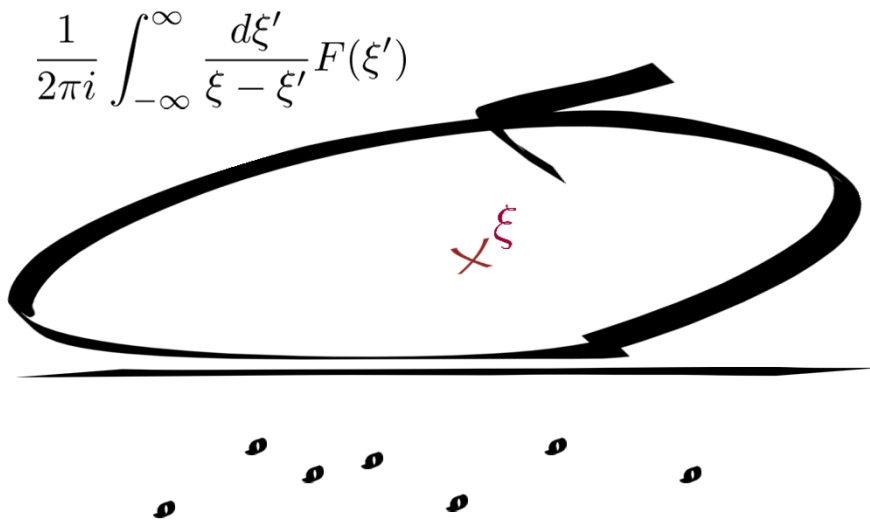
$$\frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} d\xi' \frac{1}{\xi' - \xi} (F(\xi') + G(\xi')) = \begin{cases} F(\xi), & (\text{Im } \xi > 0) \\ -G(\xi), & (\text{Im } \xi < 0) \end{cases}$$

F : regular on $\text{Im } \xi > 0$

G : regular on $\text{Im } \xi < 0$

Apply

$$\log L_{12} + \log \check{L}_{12} = \log \frac{\sin \frac{p_1 + p_2 + p_3}{2} \sin \frac{p_1 + p_2 - p_3}{2}}{\sin p_1 \sin p_2}$$



Now, let me explain how to determine the analytic properties of L_{IJ} .

Disclaimer:

The following discussion will be the most technical part in my talk.

Analytic properties from WKB-analysis

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- Owing to these “instanton corrections”, $L(x)$ exhibits a rich analytic structure (poles and zeros).
- Therefore, to determine the analytic property of $L(x)$, we need to know when it suffers from the instanton corrections and when it doesn't.

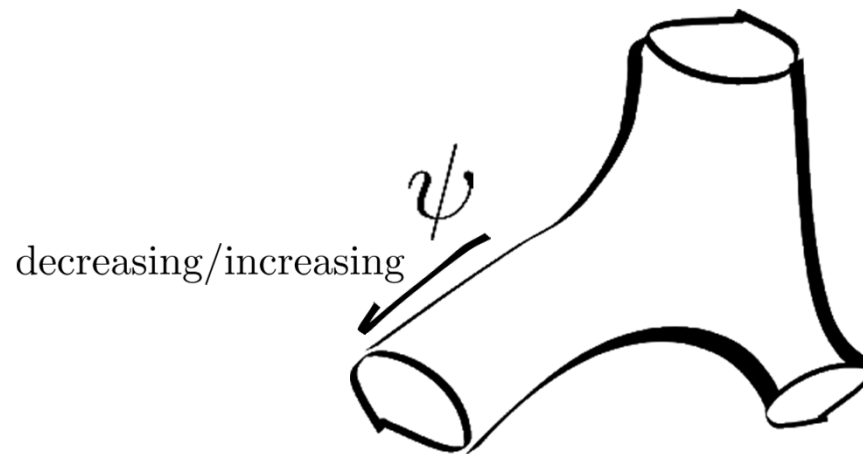
- Basically, such instanton corrections arise due to a mixing of solutions of the auxiliary linear problem.

$$\psi = A i_- + B i_+ \quad i_+ \sim \exp[-S] \quad i_- \sim \exp[+S]$$

$$\rightarrow \psi \sim A \exp[S + \log[1 + \exp(-S)] + \dots]$$

- A solution which exponentially decreases around a singularity is free from such instanton corrections since it cannot mix with an exponentially increasing solution.

$$(\text{large}) + (\text{small}) \sim (\text{large})$$

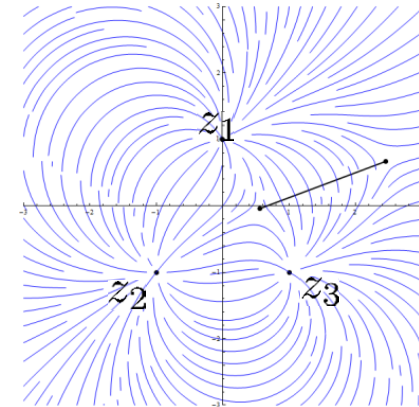


To be more precise...

i) Draw “WKB-curves” defined by

$$\text{Im } dS = 0, \quad \psi = \exp \left(\int dS \right)$$

On these lines, the phase of the solution is fixed and “exponentially increasing/decreasing” has a clear meaning.



ii) $L(x)$ is regular (no poles/zeros)

if two solutions are exponentially decreasing ones and two poles are connected by WKB-curves.

$$L_{12}(x) := \langle 1_+, 2_+ \rangle$$

decreasing around z_1

decreasing around z_2

$$z_1 \longleftrightarrow_{\text{WKB-curves}} z_2$$

Result for three spinning strings (GKP string)

Determination of the analytic properties is generally complicated.
For certain simple operators (GKP strings), it becomes easier.

$$\begin{aligned} S_{\text{reg}} = & -\frac{\pi}{12} + \pi \left[-\kappa_1 K(\kappa_1) - \kappa_2 K(\kappa_2) - \kappa_3 K(\kappa_3) \right. \\ & + \frac{\kappa_1 + \kappa_2 + \kappa_3}{2} K\left(\frac{\kappa_1 + \kappa_2 + \kappa_3}{2}\right) \\ & + \left| \frac{-\kappa_1 + \kappa_2 + \kappa_3}{2} \right| K\left(\left| \frac{-\kappa_1 + \kappa_2 + \kappa_3}{2} \right| \right) \\ & + \left| \frac{\kappa_1 - \kappa_2 + \kappa_3}{2} \right| K\left(\left| \frac{\kappa_1 - \kappa_2 + \kappa_3}{2} \right| \right) \\ & \left. + \left| \frac{\kappa_1 + \kappa_2 - \kappa_3}{2} \right| K\left(\left| \frac{\kappa_1 + \kappa_2 - \kappa_3}{2} \right| \right) \right] . \end{aligned}$$

$$K(x) = -\frac{1}{\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} d\theta e^{-\theta} \log(1 - e^{-4\pi x \cosh \theta})$$

Final Result

$$\langle \mathcal{O}_I(x_1) \mathcal{O}_J(x_2) \mathcal{O}_K(x_3) \rangle = \frac{C_{IJK}}{\underline{|x_{12}|^{\Delta_I + \Delta_J - \Delta_K} |x_{23}|^{\Delta_J + \Delta_K - \Delta_I} |x_{31}|^{\Delta_K + \Delta_I - \Delta_J}}}$$

Expected spacetime dependence is reproduced

$$\begin{aligned} \log C_{LSGKP} = & -\frac{17\sqrt{\lambda}}{12} - \sqrt{\lambda} [\kappa_1 L(\kappa_1) + \kappa_2 L(\kappa_2) + \kappa_3 L(\kappa_3) \\ & - \frac{\kappa_1 + \kappa_2 + \kappa_3}{2} L\left(\frac{\kappa_1 + \kappa_2 + \kappa_3}{2}\right) \\ & - \frac{-\kappa_1 + \kappa_2 + \kappa_3}{2} L\left(\frac{-\kappa_1 + \kappa_2 + \kappa_3}{2}\right) \\ & - \frac{\kappa_1 - \kappa_2 + \kappa_3}{2} L\left(\frac{\kappa_1 - \kappa_2 + \kappa_3}{2}\right) \\ & - \frac{\kappa_1 + \kappa_2 - \kappa_3}{2} L\left(\frac{\kappa_1 + \kappa_2 - \kappa_3}{2}\right)] \\ & - [\ell_1^- \log \sinh 2\pi\kappa_1 + \ell_2^- \log \sinh 2\pi\kappa_2 + \ell_3^- \log \sinh 2\pi\kappa_3 - (\ell_1^- + \ell_2^- + \ell_3^-) \log A \\ & - \frac{\ell_1^- + \ell_2^- - \ell_3^-}{2} \log \sinh(\pi(\kappa_1 + \kappa_2 - \kappa_3)) - \frac{\ell_1^- - \ell_2^- + \ell_3^-}{2} \log \sinh(\pi(\kappa_1 - \kappa_2 + \kappa_3)) \\ & - \frac{-\ell_1^- + \ell_2^- + \ell_3^-}{2} \log \sinh(\pi(-\kappa_1 + \kappa_2 + \kappa_3))] \end{aligned} \quad (2.35)$$

$$L(x) = -\frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{\sinh^2 \theta}{\cosh \theta} \log(1 - e^{-4\pi x \cosh \theta})$$

$$\ell_i^- = \frac{\sqrt{\lambda}}{2\pi} \sinh \pi \kappa_i$$

$$A = \sqrt{\sinh(\pi(\kappa_1 + \kappa_2 + \kappa_3))}$$

$$- \sqrt{\sinh(\pi(-\kappa_1 + \kappa_2 + \kappa_3)) \sinh(\pi(\kappa_1 - \kappa_2 + \kappa_3)) \sinh(\pi(\kappa_1 + \kappa_2 - \kappa_3))}$$

$$\Delta_i - S_i = \sqrt{\lambda} \kappa_i$$

$$\Delta_i + S_i = \frac{\sqrt{\lambda}}{\pi} \sinh \pi \kappa_i$$

Summary and Prospect

Summary

- Discussed the method to calculate 3-point functions using a classical string.
- Integrability was useful in the calculation.

Prospect

- Currently, the result is available only for specific operators. Generalization to other operators (BMN-like operators) is in progress.
- Comparison with calculations from gauge theory.
- Similar structure in the gauge theory calculation?
Recent development on the gauge theory side: [Gromov-Vieira 12]
- Four point functions. Crossing symmetry, Bootstrap in higher dim CFT?
[Caetano-Toledo 12]
Recent attempt to solve 3d Ising model by bootstrap: [El-Showk et al.]
- Generalization to other theories (ABJM etc.).
Liouville correlation functions from integrability [SK, Honda in progress]
- Understand the structure of wave functions and AdS/CFT.

Thank you for listening

Action $S[X_*]$ to contour integrals

$$S[X_*] \sim \int d^2 z \operatorname{tr} (J_z J_{\bar{z}}) \quad J_z = g^{-1} \partial_z g,$$

Virasoro condition:

$$\operatorname{tr} (J_z J_z) = T(z) \quad T(z) + T_{S^5}(z) = 0$$

$T(z)$: AdS-part of the stress energy tensor

Diagonalize J_z

$$U^{-1} J_z U = \begin{pmatrix} \sqrt{T} & 0 \\ 0 & -\sqrt{T} \end{pmatrix} \quad U^{-1} J_{\bar{z}} U = \begin{pmatrix} u & * \\ * & -u \end{pmatrix}$$

Introduce a closed one-form ω

$$\omega \equiv u d\bar{z} + v dz \quad d\omega = 0$$

$$\int d^2 z \operatorname{tr} (J_z J_{\bar{z}}) = 2 \int d^2 z \sqrt{T} u = i \int \sqrt{T} dz \wedge \omega$$

Consider a double cover of the worldsheet; $y^2 = T(z)$.

$$= \frac{i}{2} \int_D \sqrt{T} dz \wedge \omega \stackrel{\substack{\uparrow \\ \text{Stokes theorem}}}{=} \frac{i}{2} \int_{\partial D} \Lambda(z) \omega$$

$$\Lambda(z) \equiv \int \sqrt{T} dz$$

To apply Stokes theorem, we need to choose ∂D so that $\Lambda(z)$ is **single-valued on D** .

D and ∂D

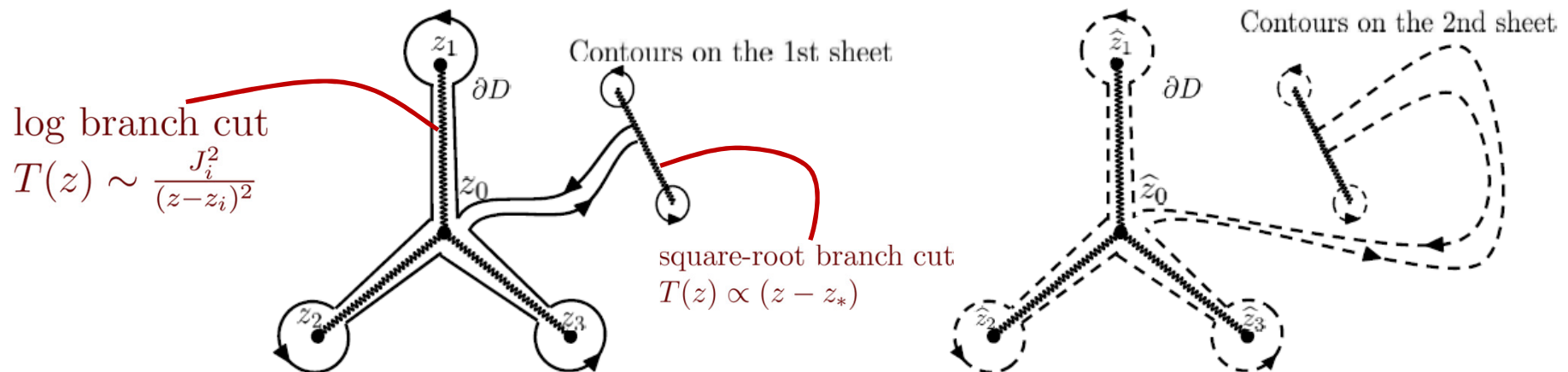
They are determined so that $\Lambda(z)$ is **single-valued** on D .

$$\Lambda(z) \equiv \int^z \sqrt{T(z')} dz'$$

$$T(z) = \left(\frac{J_1^2 z_{23}}{(z - z_1)} + \frac{J_2^2 z_{31}}{(z - z_2)} + \frac{J_3^2 z_{12}}{(z - z_3)} \right) \frac{1}{(z - z_1)(z - z_2)(z - z_3)}$$

For three point functions,

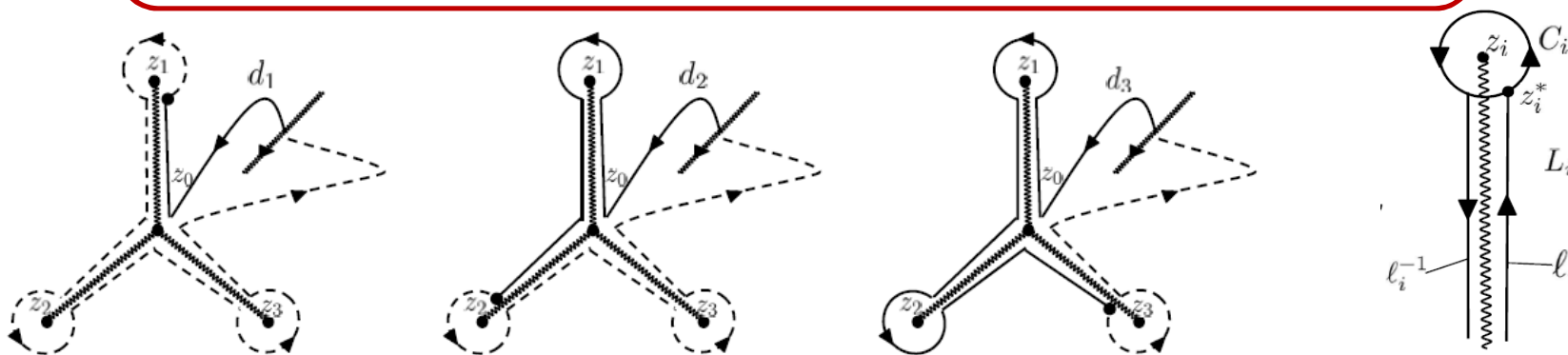
AdS-part of the stress energy tensor is determined by S^5 -charges, J_i .



Extended Riemann-bilinear identity

The contour integral can be further simplified to products of integrals.

$$S \propto \frac{i}{2} \int_{\partial D} \Lambda \omega = \frac{i}{2} \sum_{j=1}^3 \int_{C_j} \sqrt{T} dz \int_{d_j} \omega + \dots$$

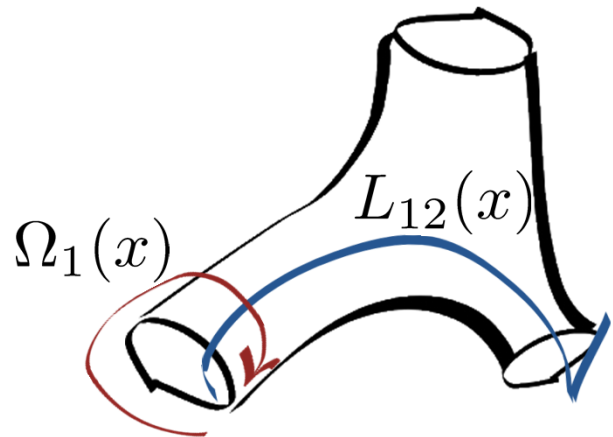


Idea of derivation

$$\int_{\text{blue}} \Lambda(z) \omega = \int_{\text{red}} \delta \Lambda(z) \omega = \int_{\text{loop}} \sqrt{p} dz \int_{\text{red}} \omega$$

Interestingly, the contour integrals we need appear in the expansion of L_{IJ} .

$$S \propto \frac{i}{2} \int_{\partial D} \Lambda \omega = \frac{i}{2} \sum_{j=1}^3 \int_{C_j} \sqrt{T} dz \int_{d_j} \omega + \dots$$



$$L_{12}(x) := \langle 1_+, 2_+ \rangle$$

$$S \propto \text{Area} \sim Q_1^{(1)} \tilde{Q}_{12}^{(2)} + \dots$$

$$\Omega_1(x) = \exp \left[\frac{Q_1^{(1)}}{\xi} + \dots \right] \quad \xi = \sqrt{\frac{1-x}{1+x}}$$

$$L_{12}(x) = \exp \left[\frac{\tilde{Q}_{12}^{(1)}}{\xi} + \xi \tilde{Q}_{12}^{(2)} + \dots \right] \quad \tilde{Q}_{IJ} : \text{“charges” along an open path} \quad [\text{End}]$$

Back up slides

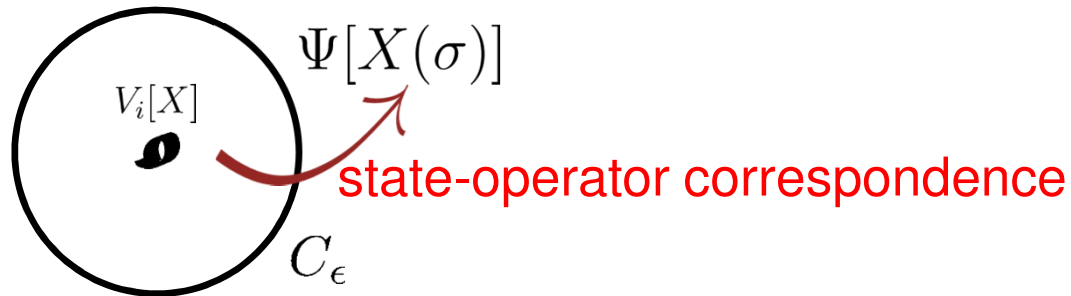
Calculation of the vertex operator part

V_{finite}

Regularizing divergences

$$2 \int d^2 z \sqrt{p\bar{p}} \quad V_I[X_*]$$

- To see the cancellation of divergences, we cut out a small circle of radius ϵ and consider wavefunctions instead of vertex operators.



- Wavefunctions in the classical limit are given by the solution of the **Hamilton-Jacobi eq.**

$$\Psi[X(\sigma)] \sim e^{iW[X(\sigma)]} \quad W[X(\sigma)] : \text{characteristic function}$$

$$\text{cf.} \quad -\frac{\hbar}{2m} \partial^2 \psi + V\psi = E\psi \Rightarrow (\partial W)^2 = 2m(E - V) \quad \psi \sim e^{\frac{i}{\hbar} W}$$

- However, it is quite hard to directly solve the H-J eq.

Action-Angle variables

☞ If we canonical-transform to action-angle variables,

S_i : constant θ_i : linear time evolution

$$\Psi[X] = \langle X | \Psi \rangle = \int d\theta_i \langle X | \theta_i \rangle \langle \theta_i | \Psi \rangle = \int d\theta_i \langle X | \theta_i \rangle \Psi'(\theta_i)$$

it is easy to construct wavefunctions.

$$\Psi'(\theta_i) = e^{i \sum_i S_i \theta_i}$$

☞ Thanks to integrability, we can construct action-angle variables using the “Sklyanin’s magic recipe”.

Brief sketch of magic recipe (1/2)

- Express the coordinate of AdS as follows.

$$g = \begin{pmatrix} X_{-1} + X_4 & X_1 + iX_2 \\ X_1 - iX_2 & X_{-1} - X_4 \end{pmatrix}$$

- The following connection is flat because of the e.o.m.

$$\left[\partial + \frac{1}{1-x} g^{-1} \partial g, \bar{\partial} + \frac{1}{1+x} g^{-1} \bar{\partial} g \right] = 0$$

* This connection is related to the previous one by a gauge transformation.

- Consider the normalized solution of the auxiliary linear problems.

$$\begin{aligned} \left(\partial + \frac{1}{1-x} g^{-1} \partial g \right) \psi(\sigma, \tau; x) &= 0 \\ \left(\bar{\partial} + \frac{1}{1+x} g^{-1} \bar{\partial} g \right) \psi(\sigma, \tau; x) &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

$$\vec{n} \cdot \vec{\psi} = 1$$

\vec{n} : arbitrary constant vector

Brief sketch of magic recipe (2/2)

- The angle variables can be constructed from the poles of the normalized solution.

$$\psi(0, \tau; x_i) = \infty \quad \xrightarrow{\text{Abel map on the spectral curve}} \quad \theta_i = F_i(x_j)$$

- The action variables can also be constructed.

$$S_i : \text{filling fraction} \quad \{\theta_i, S_j\} = \delta_{ij}$$

- The remaining task is to determine \vec{n} .

It is determined by requiring that the wavefunctions constructed by this recipe have the transformation property as the corresponding gauge theory operators.

Normalization and symmetry (1/2)

For instance, consider a vertex operator which corresponds to a gauge theory operator inserted at the origin.

$$\Psi'(\theta_i) \longleftrightarrow \mathcal{O}(0)$$

The gauge theory operator is

1. Invariant under the special conf. $\mathcal{O}(0) \rightarrow \mathcal{O}(0)$
2. Covariant under the translation. $\mathcal{O}(0) \rightarrow \mathcal{O}(x)$

Under these transformations, g and the solution transforms as

1. $\begin{pmatrix} 1 & \bar{\epsilon} \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} g \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ \epsilon & 1 \end{pmatrix}, \quad \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ -\epsilon & 1 \end{pmatrix} \psi$
2. $\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ \bar{\epsilon} & 1 \end{pmatrix} g \begin{pmatrix} 1 & \epsilon \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}, \quad \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -\epsilon \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \psi$

Normalization and symmetry (2/2)

Normalization condition which is invariant under the special conf. and covariant under the translation is

$$\vec{n} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$1. \quad \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ -\epsilon & 1 \end{pmatrix} \psi = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \psi$$

$$2. \quad \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -\epsilon \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \psi \neq \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \psi$$

The wavefunction can be constructed uniquely by the above procedures.

$$\Psi'_I(\theta_i)$$

From the asymptotic behavior of the solution around the vertex operators, one can evaluate angle-variables.

$$\theta_i^*$$

Using the wavefunction constructed from the magic recipe, one can evaluate the contribution from vertex operators.

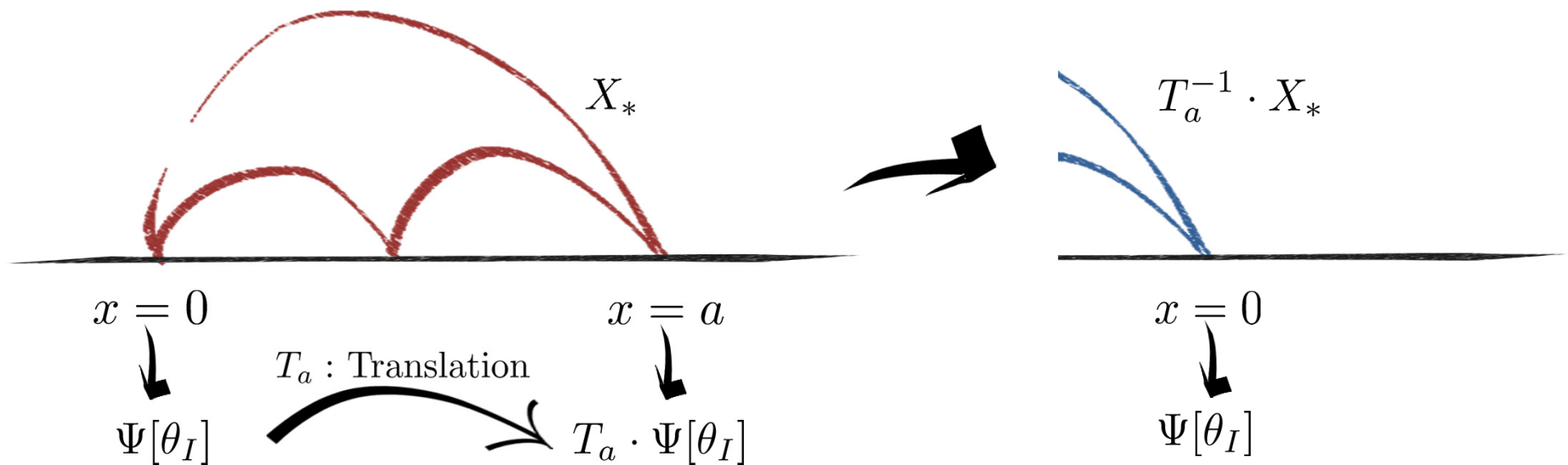
$$\Psi'_I(\theta_i^*)$$

The divergences cancel nicely, and the expected spacetime dependence can be reproduced.

$$C_{LSGKP} \times \frac{1}{(z^{(1)} - z^{(2)})^{h_1+h_2-h_3} (z^{(2)} - z^{(3)})^{h_2+h_3-h_1} (z^{(3)} - z^{(1)})^{h_3+h_1-h_2}} \\ \times \frac{1}{(\bar{z}^{(1)} - \bar{z}^{(2)})^{\bar{h}_1+\bar{h}_2-\bar{h}_3} (\bar{z}^{(2)} - \bar{z}^{(3)})^{\bar{h}_2+\bar{h}_3-\bar{h}_1} (\bar{z}^{(3)} - \bar{z}^{(1)})^{\bar{h}_3+\bar{h}_1-\bar{h}_2}}$$

$$z^{(i)} \equiv x_1^{(i)} + ix_2^{(i)}, \quad \bar{z}^{(i)} \equiv x_1^{(i)} - ix_2^{(i)}, \quad h_i = \frac{\Delta_i + S_i}{2}, \quad \bar{h}_i = \frac{\Delta_i - S_i}{2}$$

Evaluation of vertex operators



1 θ_I transforms in quite a complicated way under translation.

— Instead of evaluating a **transformed** wavefunction on the **original** trajectory, we evaluate the **original** wavefunction on an **inversely-transformed** trajectory.

$$T_a \cdot \Psi[\theta_I] \Big|_{\text{on } X_*} = \Psi[\theta_I] \Big|_{\text{on } T_a^{-1} X_*}$$