

# Higher spin symmetry/gravity and $3d$ bosonization duality

Recent developments in CFTs

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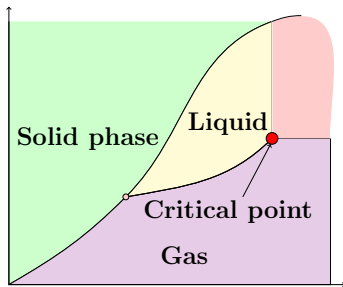
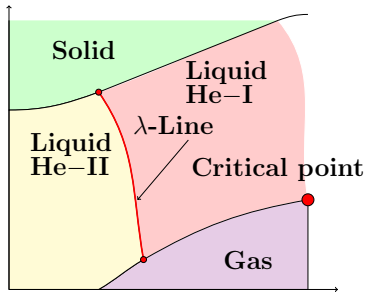


**Main message: higher spin symmetry is  $3d$  Virasoro** 😊

- Infinite-dimensional symmetry is usually useful: Virasoro, Yangian, ... . Is there any symmetry behind (Chern-Simons) vector models like Ising model? Slightly-broken higher spin symmetry (Maldacena, Zhiboedov) is clearly not a usual Lie-type symmetry ...
- The structure behind is  $L_\infty$  strong homotopy algebra. Invariants = correlators and are uniquely fixed by the symmetry, which implies the  $3d$  bosonization duality
- There is a closed subsector of vector models (including the Ising?), which has a local UV-complete  $AdS_4$  description — Chiral higher spin gravity, its existence almost implies the  $3d$  bosonization duality

- Chern-Simons vector models and bosonization duality
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- $L_\infty$ -algebra as a physical symmetry and  $3d$  bosonization duality

# Chern-Simons Matter Theories and bosonization duality

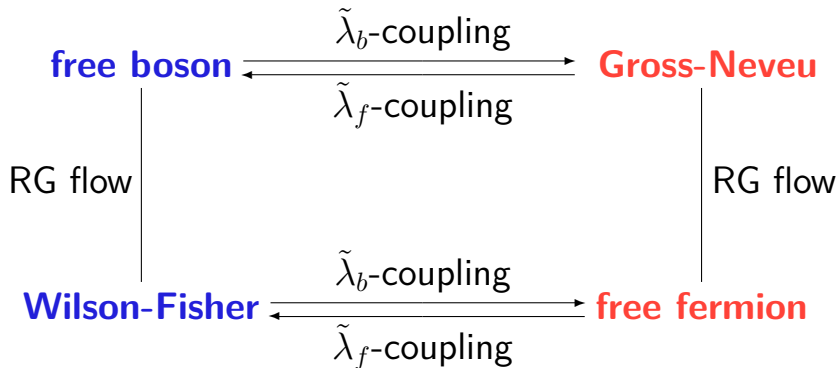


## Chern-Simons Matter theories and dualities

CFT<sub>3</sub>: Chern-Simons Matter theories, which span CFTs from vector models to ABJ(M). Let's consider the simplest 4 vector models

$$\frac{k}{4\pi} S_{CS}(A) + \text{Matter} \begin{cases} (D\phi^i)^2 & \text{free boson} \\ (D\phi^i)^2 + g(\phi^i \phi^i)^2 & \text{Wilson-Fisher (Ising)} \\ \bar{\psi}^i \not{D}\psi_i & \text{free fermion} \\ \bar{\psi}^i \not{D}\psi_i + g(\bar{\psi}^i \psi_i)^2 & \text{Gross-Neveu} \end{cases}$$

- describe physics (Ising, quantum Hall, ...)
- break parity in general (due to Chern-Simons)
- two parameters  $\lambda = N/k$ ,  $1/N$  ( $\lambda$  continuous for  $N$  large)
- exhibit remarkable dualities, e.g. **3d bosonization duality** (Aharony, Alday, Bissi, Giombi, Jain, Karch, Maldacena, Minwalla, Prakash, Seiberg, Tong, Witten, Yacobi, Yin, Zhiboedov, ...)



**3d bosonization: these 4 families/theories are just 2 theories**  
(Giombi et al; Maldacena, Zhiboedov; many checks by many people, but no proof)

## Chern-Simons Matter theories and dualities

The simplest gauge-invariant operators are **higher spin currents**:

$$J_s = \phi D \dots D \phi \quad \text{and} \quad J_s = \bar{\psi} \gamma D \dots D \psi$$

which are conserved to the leading order in  $1/N \rightarrow$  higher symmetry

There are many other operators, e.g.  $[JJ]$ ,  $[JJJ]$ , etc., correlators thereof and anomalous dimensions, all should be the same in the duals

To see bosonization one needs all orders in  $\lambda$  even at large  $N$ , so it is a weak/strong duality in a sense

Since everything appears in the OPEs of  $J_s$  with themselves, it is sufficient to concentrate on **higher spin currents**, i.e. to prove that

$$\langle J_{s_1} J_{s_2} \dots J_{s_n} \rangle$$

are the “same” in the dual theories, which is a job for some symmetry ...

What is going on in CS-matter theories?

**HS-currents are responsible for their own non-conservation:**

$$\partial \cdot J_s = \sum_{s_1, s_2} C_{s, s_1, s_2}(\lambda) \frac{1}{N} [J_{s_1} J_{s_2}] + F(\lambda) \frac{1}{N^2} [JJJ]$$

which is an exact non-perturbative quantum equation. In the large- $N$  we can use classical (representation theory) formulas for  $[JJ]$ .

The worst case  $\partial \cdot J =$  some other operator. The symmetry is gone, the charges are not conserved, do not form Lie algebra.

In our case the non-conservation operator  $[JJ]$  is made out of  $J$  themselves, but charges are still not conserved.





## Slightly-broken higher spin symmetry

MZ applied the non-conservation equation to study the 3-point functions. The idea is to combine  $\partial \cdot J = \frac{1}{N}[JJ]$  with the very constrained form of 3-pt correlators and  $[Q, J] = J + [JJ]$  and use large- $N$ . The result is

$$\langle J_{s_1} J_{s_2} J_{s_3} \rangle \sim \cos^2 \theta \langle JJJ \rangle_b + \sin^2 \theta \langle JJJ \rangle_f + \cos \theta \sin \theta \langle JJJ \rangle_o$$

$\theta$  is related to  $N, k$  in a complicated way.

The correlators of  $J_s$ 's get fixed irrespective of what the constituents are! Sign of an  $\infty$ -dimensional symmetry ... **What is the right math?**

Slightly-broken higher spin symmetry seems to work (Alday, Zhiboedov, Turiaci, Jain et al, Li, Racobi, Silva and many others!);  $\gamma(J_s)$  at order  $1/N$  (Giombi, Gurucharan, Kirillin, Prakash, E.S.) confirm the duality. 4, 5-loop  $1/N^2$  results in Gross-Neveu and Wilson-Fisher (Manashov, E.S., Strohmaier) seem hard to extend in  $\lambda$ .

Higher spin gravity dual?

## Remarks on Higher Spin Gravity

AdS/CFT duals of (Chern-Simons) vector models are HiSGRA since conserved tensor  $J_s$  is dual to (massless) gauge field in  $AdS_4$  (Sundborg; Klebanov, Polyakov; Sezgin Sundell; Leight, Petkou; Giombi, Yin, ... )

$$\partial^m J_{ma_2\dots a_s} = 0 \quad \iff \quad \delta\Phi_{\mu_1\dots\mu_s} = \nabla_{(\mu_1}\xi_{\mu_2\dots\mu_s)}$$

Instead of tedious quantum calculations in CS-matter one could do the standard holographic computation in the HiSGRA dual, (Giombi, Yin)

However, Vasiliev's equations are incomplete ( $\infty$ -many free params, non-locality) (Boulanger et al). Independently, this HiSGRA was shown to be too non-local to be constructed by field theory tools (Bekaert, Erdmenger, Ponomarev, Sleight, Taronna). It can be reconstructed (Jevicki et al; Aharony et al) from the very CFT, but no  $\lambda$ . Nevertheless, it has been quite useful to think of HiSGRA dual (Giombi et al)

Given  $J_s$ ,  $s = 0, \dots, \infty$  we are looking for a HiSGRA in  $AdS_4$  ...

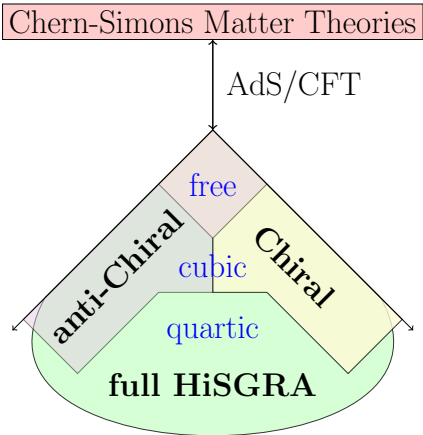
There is a unique local HiSGRA for any value of cosmological constant with such a spectrum — Chiral HiSGRA, which was first constructed in the light-cone gauge in flat space (Metsaev; Ponomarev, E.S.). It is a HS-extension of both SDYM and SDGR. It is at least one-loop UV-finite (E.S., Tran, Tsulaia); it is integrable (Ponomarev); covariant equations (Sharapov, E.S., Sukhanov, Van Dongen); **Chiral**  $\in$  **any 4d HiSGRA**

$$\mathcal{L} = \sum_{\lambda} \Phi^{-\lambda} \square \Phi^{+\lambda} + \sum_{\lambda_i} \frac{g l_{\text{Pl}}^{\lambda_1 + \lambda_2 + \lambda_3 - 1}}{\Gamma(\lambda_1 + \lambda_2 + \lambda_3)} V^{\lambda_1, \lambda_2, \lambda_3} + \mathcal{O}(\Lambda)$$

where the three-point

$$V^{\lambda_1, \lambda_2, \lambda_3} \sim [\mathbf{12}]^{\lambda_1 + \lambda_2 - \lambda_3} [\mathbf{23}]^{\lambda_2 + \lambda_3 - \lambda_1} [\mathbf{13}]^{\lambda_1 + \lambda_3 - \lambda_2}$$

## Chiral HiSGRA and Secrets of Chern-Simons Matter



Chiral HiSGRA is a HS extension of SDYM/SDGR, which is local;

yep, there is anti-Chiral as well;

has the right spectrum to be dual to CS-matter, but it is short of some interactions to achieve that ...

The very existence of Chiral HiSGRA implies: (a) two more (non-unitary) solutions of the slightly-broken HS; (b) there are two closed subsectors of CS-matter theories, maybe to all orders in  $1/N$ , hence, Ising?

**The very existence of Chiral HiSGRA implies  $3d$  bosonization duality at least up to the 4-point correlators of  $J_s$**

Input: (i) chiral and anti-chiral interactions are complete at 3-pt; (ii) (anti)-chiral HiSGRA do not have free params save for coupling  $g$ .

$$V_3 = g V_{chiral} \oplus \bar{g} \bar{V}_{chiral} \quad \leftrightarrow \quad \langle JJJ \rangle$$

How to glue (anti)-chiral bricks while imposing unitarity? Simple EM-duality phase rotation  $\Phi_{\pm s} \rightarrow e^{\pm i\theta} \Phi_{\pm s}$  does the job and we get

$$\langle J_{s_1} J_{s_2} J_{s_3} \rangle \sim \cos^2 \theta \langle JJJ \rangle_b + \sin^2 \theta \langle JJJ \rangle_f + \cos \theta \sin \theta \langle JJJ \rangle_o$$

which can be seen to consist of pieces of the limiting theories in the helicity basis. **Bosonization is manifest!** Can be pushed to 4-pt to show the existence of a one-param family of CFTs save for uniqueness

Very-unbroken  
higher-spin symmetry

## Unbroken higher spin symmetry: free CFT's

Let's take any free CFT, e.g. free boson  $\square\phi = 0$  or free fermion  $\not{\partial}\psi = 0$ . In each of them we find (global symmetry current), the stress-tensor  $J_{ab}$  and infinitely many *higher spin conserved tensors*  $J_{a_1\dots a_s}$  (aka **higher spin currents**, old name — Zilch):

$$J_s = \phi\partial\dots\partial\phi + \dots$$

$$J_s = \bar{\psi}\gamma\partial\dots\partial\psi + \dots$$

They are quasi-primary at the unitarity bound and have  $\Delta = d + s - 2$ .


Stress-tensor is responsible for conformal symmetry  $so(d, 2)$

$$Q_v = \int d^{d-1}x J_{0m}(x)v^m(x) \quad \partial^n v^m + \partial^m v^n \sim \eta^{mn}$$

**What are higher spin currents responsible for?**



## Unbroken higher spin symmetry

Any symmetry is certainly useful unless too much ... 

Imagine a CFT  $d \geq 3$  with  $J_2 \equiv T_{ab}$  and  $J_s \equiv J_{a_1 \dots a_s}$ , all being traceless and conserved. Is it interesting?

One can show (Maldacena, Zhiboedov; Boulanger, Ponomarev, E.S, Taronna; Alba, Diab) that there are  $J_s$  with arbitrarily high spin (at least all even spins), and the correlators are

$$\langle J \dots J \rangle = \text{some free CFT}$$

In  $3d$  there are two choices: free boson  $\square\phi = 0$  and free fermion  $\not{\partial}\psi = 0$ .  
Note: they have different correlators of  $J$ !

**When something is completely fixed, usually it is thanks to some symmetry. What is the symmetry behind?**

## Unbroken higher spin symmetry

Conserved tensor  $\rightarrow$  current  $\rightarrow$  symmetry charge  $\rightarrow$  invariants=correlators

$$j_m(v) = J_{ma_2\dots a_s} v^{a_2\dots a_s} \quad \partial^{(a_1} v^{a_2\dots a_s)} = \eta^{(a_1 a_2} u^{a_3\dots a_s)}$$

where  $v^{a_1\dots a_{s-1}}$  is a conformal Killing tensor (CKT). **Higher spin charges** form some  $\infty$ -dimensional extension of  $so(d, 2)$

$$Q = \int d^{d-1} p \, a_p^\dagger f(p, \partial_p) a_p \quad [Q, Q] = Q$$

**Miracle 1:** Lie algebra of  $Q_s = \int J_s$  originates from an associative one

### Free CFT = Associative algebra

It can be understood as  $U(so(d, 2))/I$  (Gunaydin; Eastwood; ...). In  $3d$  it is just the algebra of even operators  $f(a^\alpha, a_\beta^\dagger)$  of  $2d$  Harmonic oscillator. Note that  $sp(4) \sim so(3, 2)$  and  $a^\alpha a^\beta, \{a^\alpha, a_\beta^\dagger\}, a_\alpha^\dagger a_\beta^\dagger$  form  $sp(4)$ .

## Unbroken higher spin symmetry: Higher spin algebra

Indeed,  $\square\Phi = 0$  is  $so(d, 2)$ -invariant:

$$\delta_v\Phi = v^m\partial_m\Phi + \frac{d-2}{2d}(\partial_mv^m)\Phi$$

The latter means that  $\square\delta_v\Phi = L_v\square\Phi = 0$  for some  $L_v$ , i.e. solutions are mapped to solutions. We can multiply such symmetries

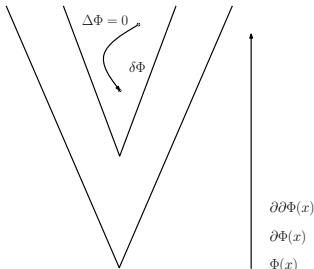
$$\delta\Phi = \delta_{v_1}\dots\delta_{v_n}\Phi$$

For example, we find hyper-translations

$$\delta\Phi = \epsilon^{a_1\dots a_k}\partial_{a_1}\dots\partial_{a_k}\Phi$$

As a result the Lie bracket  $[Q, Q]$  originates from some associative algebra, higher spin algebra, **hs** via  $a \star b - b \star a$ .

# Unbroken higher spin symmetry: Higher spin algebra



Define  $V$  as the space of one-particle states  $P_a \dots P_c |\phi\rangle$ , where  $|\phi\rangle \equiv \phi(0)|0\rangle$

Higher spin algebra  $\mathfrak{hs}$  is  $\text{End}(V)$ , i.e. linear maps  $V \rightarrow V$ , which is  $\mathfrak{hs} \sim V \otimes V^*$

Higher spin currents are bilinear in  $\phi$  or  $\psi$ , i.e.  $J \sim V \otimes V$

**Miracle 2:**  $J \leftrightarrow \mathfrak{hs}$  upon identifying  $|\phi\rangle|\phi\rangle$  with  $|\phi\rangle\langle\phi|$  by inversion  $R$

There is a simple generating function (non primary)

$$\bar{\phi}(x-y)\phi(x+y) = \bar{\phi}\phi + \sum_s j_{a_1 \dots a_s} y^{a_1} \dots y^{a_s}$$

## Unbroken higher spin symmetry: correlators

Conserved tensor  $\rightarrow$  current  $\rightarrow$  symmetry  $\rightarrow$  invariants=correlators

**Is higher spin symmetry powerful enough to fix correlators?**

All correlators are invariants (Sundell, Colombo; Didenko, E.S.; ...)

$$\langle J \dots J \rangle = \text{Tr}(C \star \dots \star C) \qquad C \leftrightarrow J$$

where cyclic symmetry is due to possibility to have  $J^i_j \sim \bar{\phi}^i \partial \dots \partial \phi_j$ , add permutations/projections if needed. The correlators are invariant under conformal and full HS symmetry,  $\delta C = [C, \xi]_\star$ :

**Easy to say, but can we compute them?**

## Unbroken higher spin symmetry: correlators

Coherent states  $J \leftrightarrow C$  in the Moyal-Weyl star-product algebra are Gaussians, hence,  $C_1 \star C_2 \dots$  is about Gaussian integrals. As a result one finds (Giombi, Yin; Sundell, Colombo) e.g. for free boson

$$\langle JJJ \rangle = \frac{1}{|x_{12}||x_{23}||x_{31}|} \cos(Q_{13}^2 + Q_{21}^3 + Q_{32}^1) \cos(P_{12}) \cos(P_{23}) \cos(P_{31})$$

and there is a simple formula for all  $n$ -point (Didenko, E.S.; Mei, Didenko, E.S.; Boulanger et al), e.g. free boson 4-point

$$\begin{aligned} \langle JJJJ \rangle_{F.B.} &= \frac{1}{|x_{12}||x_{23}||x_{34}||x_{41}|} \times \\ &\times \cos(Q_{13}^2 + Q_{24}^3 + Q_{31}^4 + Q_{43}^1) \cos(P_{12}) \cos(P_{23}) \cos(P_{34}) \cos(P_{41}) \\ &+ \text{permutations} \end{aligned}$$

It would be hard to get these results 'just by Wick contractions'.

## Unbroken higher spin symmetry: Summary

In every free CFT one finds  $\infty$ -many higher spin currents  $J_s \equiv J_{a_1 \dots a_s}$ , which generate HS-charges  $Q_s = \int J$ . By construction,  $Q$  generate an  $\infty$ -dim Lie algebra, an extension of  $so(3,2)$

$$[Q, Q] = Q \qquad [Q, J] = J \qquad [Q, \phi] = \phi$$

**Miracle 1:** the algebra originates from an associative HS-algebra  $\mathfrak{hs}$  via  $[a, b] = a \star b - b \star a$ . **Free CFT = associative algebra.** **Miracle 2:** HS-currents  $J$  are isomorphic to  $\mathfrak{hs}$  twisted by inversion  $R$ .

Correlators are invariants of this HS-algebra  $\mathfrak{hs}$

$$\langle J \dots J \rangle = \text{Tr}(C \star \dots \star C) \qquad C \leftrightarrow J$$

**Important:** in  $3d$   $\mathfrak{hs}_{F.B.} \sim \mathfrak{hs}_{F.F.} \sim$  Weyl algebra of  $f(a_i^\dagger, a^j)$  and the invariants are the unique invariants of HS-algebra (Sharapov, E.S.)!

Slightly-broken  
higher-spin symmetry



## Slightly-broken higher spin symmetry: what is it?

Initially: charges = higher spin algebra  $\mathfrak{hs}$  and  $J =$  its module

$$\partial \cdot J_s = 0 \quad \Longrightarrow \quad Q_s = \int J_s \quad \Longrightarrow \quad [Q, Q] = Q \quad \& \quad [Q, J] = J \\ \mathfrak{l}(\xi_1, \xi_2) \quad \& \quad \mathfrak{l}(\xi, J)$$

The higher spin symmetry does not disappear completely:

$$\partial \cdot J = \frac{1}{N} [JJ] \quad [Q, J] = J + \frac{1}{N} [JJ]$$

**What is the right math?**

## Slightly-broken higher spin symmetry: what is it?

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**We should deform the algebra together with its action on the module,**  
so that the module (currents) can 'backreact':

$$\delta_\xi J = l(\xi, J) + l(\xi, J, J) + \dots, \qquad [\delta_{\xi_1}, \delta_{\xi_2}] = \delta_\xi,$$

where  $\xi = l(\xi_1, \xi_2) + l(\xi_1, \xi_2, J) + \dots$

The consistency of such a structure leads to  **$L_\infty$** -algebras

## Slightly broken higher spin symmetry: summary

- necessary to bosonize:  $\mathfrak{hs}$  (boson)  $\sim \mathfrak{hs}$  (fermion) (Dirac, 1963)
- there exist exactly one invariant,  $\text{Tr}(\Psi \star \dots \star \Psi)$ , to serve as  $n$ -point correlator  $\langle J \dots J \rangle$  for free/large- $N$  limit
- $L_\infty$  depends on two pheno parameters, to be related to  $k, N$
- invariants are unobstructed and have a quasi-free form

$$\text{Tr}_\circ \log_\circ[1 - \Psi] \quad \text{mod irr}, \quad a \circ b = a \star b + \phi_1(a, b) \mathbf{R} + \dots$$

- a simple consequence is that correlators are very special

$$\langle J \dots J \rangle = \sum \langle \text{fixed} \rangle_i \times \text{params}$$

**This implies 3d bosonization since  $\langle J \dots J \rangle$  know everything** and it does not matter what matter  $J$  are made of,  $\phi$  or  $\psi$

- **Higher spin symmetry is new** ( $d = 3, \dots$ ) **Virasoro** 😊
- Slightly-broken symmetry should be understood as  $L_\infty$
- Uniqueness of  $L_\infty$ -invariants implies the  $3d$  bosonization duality and makes specific predictions for their structure
- **New type of a physical symmetry** where transformations (algebra) and the object (module) deform together
- Can we push slightly-broken symmetry beyond large  $N$ ? (at least anomalous dimensions of HS-currents can be extracted from the non-conservation)
- Anomalous dimensions of HS-currents are small even for Ising model,  $N = 1$ , e.g.  $\Delta(J_4) = 5.02$  instead of 5

- Chiral Higher Spin Gravity is dual to a closed subsector of (Chern-Simons) vector models. **There exists two such subsectors!** How to find them? It should extend to small  $N$  due to integrability, implications for Ising (low  $N$ )?
- The very existence of Chiral HiSGRA implies  $3d$  bosonization at 3-pt and gives a one-parameter family of correlators at 4-pt. **Speculation:  $3d$ -bosonization is thanks to Chiral HiSGRA**
- Strings on  $AdS_4 \times \mathbb{CP}^3$  are dual to ABJ theory = Chern-Simons ( $k$ ) matter theories with bi-fundamental matter,  $N \times M$ , (Chang, Minwalla, Sharma, Yin). In the vector-like limit  $N \gg M$  it is dual to  $\mathcal{N} = 6$   $U(M)$ -gauged HiSGRA (non-local). Inside there is  $\mathcal{N} = 6$   $U(M)$ -gauged Chiral HiSGRA. **Is it possible to directly identify the Chiral subsector of tensionless strings on  $AdS_4 \times \mathbb{CP}^3$ ?**

That's all!

Thank you for your attention!

## Unbroken higher spin symmetry: $3d$ specifics

In  $3d$  the module of one-particle states of free boson/fermion CFT's is just the  $2d$  harmonic oscillator (Dirac, 1963):

$$\begin{aligned}P_a \dots P_a |\phi\rangle &\sim a_\alpha^\dagger a_\beta^\dagger \dots a_\alpha^\dagger a_\beta^\dagger |0\rangle \\P_a \dots P_a |\psi\rangle &\sim a_\alpha^\dagger a_\beta^\dagger \dots a_\alpha^\dagger a_\beta^\dagger \mathbf{a}_\gamma^\dagger |0\rangle\end{aligned}$$

This is thanks to  $so(3, 2) \sim sp(4, \mathbb{R})$  and thanks to the oscillator realization of  $sp(2n)$ , e.g.  $P_m P^m \sim 0$ ,  $P_m = \sigma_m^{\alpha\beta} a_\alpha^\dagger a_\beta^\dagger$ ,  $\alpha, \beta, \dots = 1, 2$

Now it is obvious that  $\mathfrak{hs}$  is formed by even functions  $f(a^\dagger, a)$ . Formally, it is the even subalgebra of Weyl algebra  $A_2$ . Passing to  $p_i, q^j$  the product on  $\mathfrak{hs}$  is the familiar Moyal-Weyl star-product:




$$(f \star g)(q, p) = f(q, p) \exp \frac{i\hbar}{2} (\overleftarrow{\partial}_q \overrightarrow{\partial}_p - \overleftarrow{\partial}_p \overrightarrow{\partial}_q) g(q, p)$$

## General structure of spinning correlators

Following (Giombi, Prakash, Yin) in  $3d$ ,  $x^{\alpha\beta} = x^{\beta\alpha} = x^m \sigma_m^{\alpha\beta}$ .

$$O_{\Delta}^{a_1 \dots a_s}(x) \quad \longrightarrow \quad O_{\Delta}(x, \eta) = O_{\Delta}^{\alpha_1 \dots \alpha_{2s}}(x) \eta_{\alpha_1} \dots \eta_{\alpha_{2s}} .$$

In  $3d$  correlators of tensor operators can always be expressed in terms of conformally-invariant  $P, Q, S$  on top of functions of cross-ratios:

$Q_{jk}^i$ :		$\langle OOJ_s \rangle \sim Q^s$	$Q_{jk}^i = \eta_i [\check{x}_{ij} - \check{x}_{ik}] \eta_i$
$P_{ij}$ :		$\langle J_s J_s \rangle \sim P^s$	$P_{ij} = \eta_i \check{x}_{ij} \eta_j$
$S_{jk}^i$ :		$\langle J_s J_s O \rangle$	$S_{jk}^i = \frac{\eta_j x_{ki} x_{ij} \eta_k}{ x_{ij}   x_{ik}   x_{jk} }$

$P$  and  $Q$  are parity-even,  $S$  is parity-odd.  $\check{x} \equiv x^{\alpha\beta} / |x|^2$



## Strong homotopy algebras

Strong homotopy algebra is a graded space, e.g.  $V = V_{-1} \oplus V_0$  equipped with multilinear maps  $l_k(x_1, \dots, x_k)$  of degree-one. In our case

$$l_k(\xi, \xi, J, \dots, J) \qquad l_k(\xi, J, \dots, J)$$

that allow us to encode the deformed action

$$\delta_\xi J = l_2(\xi, J) + l_3(\xi, J, J) + \dots, \qquad [\delta_{\xi_1}, \delta_{\xi_2}] = \delta_\xi,$$

where  $\xi = l_2(\xi_1, \xi_2) + l_3(\xi_1, \xi_2, J) + \dots$ . The maps obey 'Jacobi' relations

$$\sum_{i+j=n} (\pm) l_i(l_j(x_{\sigma_1}, \dots, x_{\sigma_j}), x_{\sigma_{i+1}}, \dots, x_{\sigma_n}) = 0$$

$L_\infty$  originates from  $A_\infty$  constructed from a certain deformation of  $\mathfrak{hs}$ , which is related to para-statistics/fuzzy sphere (Sharapov, E.S.)

## Slightly-broken higher spin symmetry: $L_\infty$

We need to construct  $L_\infty$  that 'deforms' our initial data = algebra + module, both originating from an associative algebra  $A = \mathfrak{hs} \rtimes \mathbb{Z}_2$ .

One can show (Sharapov, E.S.) that such  $L_\infty$  can be constructed as long as  $A$  is soft, i.e. can be deformed as an associative algebra:

$$a \circ (b \circ c) = (a \circ b) \circ c \qquad a \circ b = a \star b + \sum_{k=1} \phi_k(a, b) \hbar^k$$

The maps can be obtained from an auxiliary  $A_\infty$

$$\begin{aligned} m_3(a, b, u) &= \phi_1(a, b) \star u \quad \rightarrow \quad l_3 \\ m_4(a, b, u, v) &= \phi_2(a, b) \star u \star v + \phi_1(\phi_1(a, b), u) \star v \quad \rightarrow \quad l_4 \end{aligned}$$

Our algebra can be deformed thanks to para-statistics/anyons ...

## Deformations of Poisson Orbifold: Weyl Algebra

Everyone knows that the Weyl algebra  $A_1$  is rigid

$$[q, p] = i\hbar \quad \text{no deformation of} \quad f(q, p) \star g(q, p)$$

Suppose that  $Rf(q, p) = f(-q, -p)$ , i.e. we can realize it as

$$R^2 = 1 \quad RqR = -q \quad RpR = -p$$

The crossed-product algebra  $A_1 \rtimes \mathbb{Z}_2$  is soft (Wigner; Yang; Mukunda; ...):

$$[q, p] = i\hbar + i\nu R$$

Also known as para-bose oscillators. Even  $R(f) = f$  lead to  $gl_\lambda = U(sp_2)/(C_2 - \lambda(\lambda-1))$  (Feigin), also (Madore; Bieliavsky et al) as fuzzy-sphere, NC hyperboloid, also (Plyushchay et al) as anyons.

Orbifold  $\mathbb{R}^2/\mathbb{Z}_2$  admits 'second' quantization on top of the Moyal-Weyl  $\star$ -product, (Pope et al; Joung, Mrtchyan; Korybut; Basile et al; Sharapov, E.S., Sukhanov)

## Symmetry

99.99%: **Lie group**  $G$ /**Lie algebra**  $\mathfrak{g}$  acting on some physical states.  
Group/Algebra = transformations without any info on what they act

**Yangian**: deformation of  $U(\mathfrak{g}[z])$  as a Hopf algebra. Spin-chains, planar  $\mathcal{N} = 4$  SYM and scattering amplitudes therein

**Strong homotopy algebras**: multi-linear products on graded spaces (Lie and associative algebras are examples). Nice organizing tool for  $QQ = 0$ : BV-BRST, string field theory, higher spin gravities, ...

**New**: (Chern-Simons) vector models (e.g.  $3d$  Ising, ...) have  $\infty$ -many almost conserved tensors  $\partial^m J_{ma_2 \dots a_s} \approx 0$  — **slightly-broken higher spin symmetry** (Maldacena, Zhiboedov). The right structure are certain  $L_\infty$ -algebras. **Symmetry gets entangled with its representation**. Explains  $3d$ -bosonization duality