

Generalised Bargmann - Wigner classification :

Mixed-symmetry fields in Minkowski and (A)dS_{d+1 > 3}

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①

A motivation for higher-spin fields: Quantum Field Theory

- At dawn of QFT · Majorana (1932), Dirac (1936), Fierz-Pauli (1939), and most notably Wigner's 1939 classification of UIR's of Poincaré group $ISO(3,1)$.
- Relativistic, linear & covariant equations: Bargmann-Wigner (1948)
 - ↳ massless, helicity particles characterized by
 - Mass $m = 0$;
 - helicity $s \in \{0, \frac{1}{2}, 1, \frac{3}{2}, \dots\}$

• Rem: In the $m = 0$ case, there are also the "continuous" or "infinite" spin UIR's $\rightsquigarrow \vec{\mu} \neq \vec{0}$ in \mathbb{R}^{D-2} .

• Some comments about interactions

↳ Problems with .

- Minimal $u(1)$ coupling for $s \geq 3/2$ (1961)
- Minimal Lorentz coupling for $s \geq 5/2$ (1964)
- Infinite - component Majorana - like equations (1968)
(has tachyons)

↳ Together with the observation of high-spin hadronic resonances

Belief that consistent high-spin interactions require infinitely-many fields of unbounded spin .

Once the HS representations have been seen to exist in the sense of UIR's of spacetime isometry algebra, i.e. first quantization, then standard second quantization naturally requires a covariant Lagrangian

Fierz-Pauli program

Associate a quadratic, local and covariant Lagrangian to every UIR of maximally-symmetric spacetime-isometry algebra.

• Initiated by F.P in 1939 for massive, spin-2 particle in $\mathbb{R}^{1,3}$. Then, notably [Chang (67), Schwinger (70), Singh-Hagen (74)]

• In 1978, Fronsdal and Fang gave Lagrangian for $m=0$ helicity $-s$ field around $\mathbb{R}^{1,3}$ and $(A)dS_4$ by taking the $m \rightarrow 0$ limit of Singh-Hagen's \mathcal{L}

Questions: Can we generalize this program to arbitrary spacetime dimensions $\mathcal{D} > 4$? Interactions?

(Rem: $\mathcal{D} = 2+1$ very interesting too. Not in this talk.)

- The BW program in $\mathbb{R}^{1,d}$ was achieved in late 80's [W. Siegel & B. Zwiebach] and in minimal form in [Labastida 89, X. Bekaert & N.B. 2001]
- The BW program in AdS_{d+1} in the late nineties by R. Metsaers.

Before attacking the ambitious problem of introducing consistent interactions among the various fields, one may want to fill a gap: the Bargmann-Wigner program in dS_{d+1} : establish the dictionary in dS_{d+1} between UIR's of $SO(1, d+1)$ and covariant linear wave equations in dS_{d+1} . First: review $\Lambda \leq 0$ cases.

② Wigner's classification of UIR's of $ISO(1, d)$

↳ One-to-one with the $SO(1, d)$ orbits \mathcal{O}_p of $p \in (\mathbb{R}^{1, d})^*$ together with UIR of little group $G_p \subseteq SO(1, d)$ stabilizing p .

$$1) \quad \forall g \in G_p \quad g \cdot p = p$$

2) Given a repres. R of G_p , induce a UIR \mathcal{T} of $ISO(1, d)$ on the Hilbert space of functions on \mathcal{O}_p valued in \mathbb{R} .

$$\mathcal{T}(\Lambda, a) \cdot \tilde{\Psi}(q) = \sqrt{\rho_{\Lambda^{-1}}(q)} e^{i(q, a)} R(g_q^{-1} \Lambda \cdot g_{\Lambda^{-1}q}) \cdot \tilde{\Psi}(\Lambda^{-1}q)$$

$$[\rho_{g \cdot q}(q) = \rho_g(g \cdot q) \rho_q(q), d\mu_g(q) = \rho_g(q) d\mu(q), g \in G, q \in X \text{ top. space with measure } \mu; \text{ Radon-Nikodym derivative}]$$

where $g_q \in SO(1, d)$ standard boost for p : $g_q \cdot p = q \in \mathcal{O}_p$

$$\text{s.t.} \quad g_q^{-1} \cdot \Lambda \cdot g_{\Lambda^{-1}q} : p \xrightarrow{g_{\Lambda^{-1}q}} \Lambda^{-1}q \xrightarrow{\Lambda} q \xrightarrow{g_q^{-1}} p$$

The various orbits $\{\mathcal{O}_p\}$ correspond to p being

1) Timelike \rightsquigarrow Massive particle $p^\mu = (m, 0, \dots, 0)$

$$p^2 = -m^2, \quad G_p \cong SO(d) \quad [E := p^0 \quad \& \quad \eta = \text{diag}(-, +, \dots, +)]$$

2) Light-like \rightsquigarrow Massless particle

$$p^2 = 0 \quad \& \quad p \neq 0 \quad p_\mu = (-E, 0, \dots, 0, E)$$

In light frame $x^\pm := \frac{x^d \pm x^0}{\sqrt{2}}, \quad p_\mu = (p_-, 0, \overbrace{0, \dots, 0}^{p_i})$

Little group $G_p \cong ISO(d-1) \cong T_{d-1} \rtimes SO(d-1)$

$$M_{i-} \quad \& \quad M_{-+} \quad \text{rejected} \Rightarrow \{M_{i+} := \pi_i\} \cup \{M_{ij}\}$$

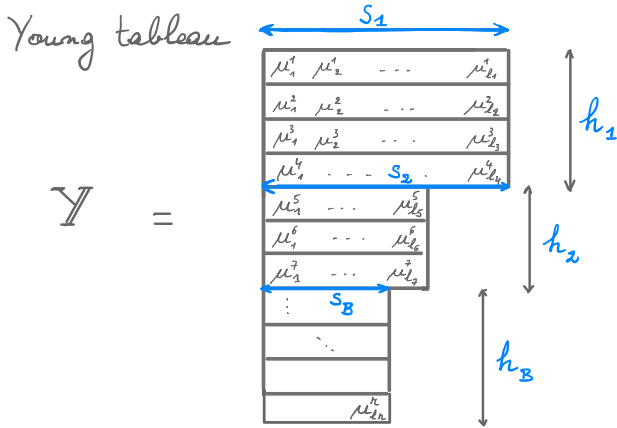
\hookrightarrow Take π_i trivial \rightsquigarrow helicity UIR's : $G_p \cong SO(d-1)$.

3) Spacelike \rightsquigarrow tachyons : $G_p \cong SO(1, d-1)$

4) Nul $p = (0, \dots, 0)$ in $(\mathbb{R}^{1,d})^*$: $G_o \cong SO(1, d)$

As for covariant, linear wave equations

Take $\Psi_{\mathbb{Y}}(x)$ valued in $GL(d+1)$ irrep $\rightsquigarrow \mathbb{Y}$



with

$$c_1 + c_2 \leq d-1$$

$$\vec{s} = (\underbrace{l_1, \dots, l_4}_{\text{all equal to } s_1}, \underbrace{l_5, \dots, l_7}_{\text{all equal to } s_2}, \dots, \overset{s_8}{\underset{||}{l_8}})$$

- Antisymmetrizing the indices of a column with any index

- Symmetrizing the indices of any row with any index of a lower row gives zero identically.

of a column at its right gives zero identically. Define $p_{\mathbb{B}} = \sum_{I=1}^{\mathbb{B}} h_I$ the height of \mathbb{Y} .

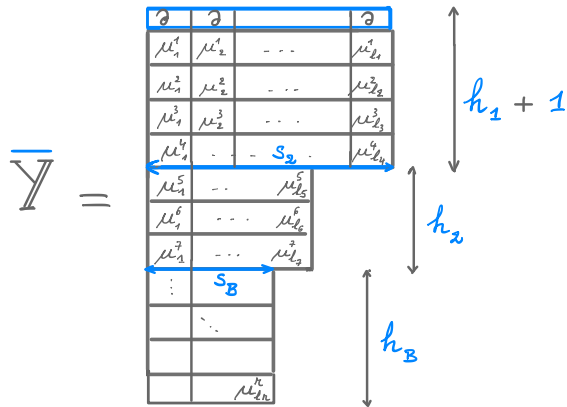
• Build the curvature

$$K_{\bar{Y}} := d^{(1)} \dots d^{(s_1)} \varphi_{\bar{Y}}$$

by acting on $\varphi_{\bar{Y}}$ with s_1 curls

and impose the wave equation

$$\text{Tr } K_{\bar{Y}} \approx 0$$



From Bianchi identity $d^{(i)} K_{\bar{Y}} \equiv 0 \quad \forall i \in \{1, \dots, s_1\}$

Deduce that $d_{(i)}^{\dagger} K \approx 0 \quad \forall i$ where $d_{(i)}^{\dagger} := *_{i} d^{(i)} *_{i}$ divergence.

Hence $\{d^{(i)}, d_{(i)}^{\dagger}\} K_{\bar{Y}} \equiv \square K_{\bar{Y}} \approx 0 \Rightarrow K_{\bar{Y}}$ massless field.

Fourier modes $\tilde{K}_{\bar{Y}}(p)$ on $p^2 = 0$

light-cone : mass shell for light-like particles.

$$[d^{(i)}, d_{(j)}^{\dagger}]_{z_2} = \delta_j^i \square$$

$$[d^{(i)}, d^{(j)}]_{z_2} = 0 = [d_{(i)}^{\dagger}, d_{(j)}^{\dagger}]_{z_2}$$

Bianchi Id.

$$\hookrightarrow d^{(i)} K = 0 \quad \forall i, \quad \boxed{P_{\underline{e}} \tilde{K}_{[\mu_1^{\underline{e}} \mu_2^{\underline{e}} \dots \mu_{d-1}^{\underline{e}}]} \dots \equiv 0} \Leftrightarrow \tilde{K}_{\underline{Y}} \rightsquigarrow \mathcal{Y} \text{ of } GL(d, \mathbb{R}) \quad (*)$$

$$\tilde{K} =$$

	-	-	...	-
	$\tilde{\mu}_1^1$	$\tilde{\mu}_2^1$	...	$\tilde{\mu}_{d-1}^1$
	$\tilde{\mu}_1^2$	$\tilde{\mu}_2^2$	...	$\tilde{\mu}_{d-1}^2$
	$\tilde{\mu}_1^3$	$\tilde{\mu}_2^3$	...	$\tilde{\mu}_{d-1}^3$
	$\tilde{\mu}_1^4$	...	$-s_2$	$\tilde{\mu}_{d-1}^4$
	$\tilde{\mu}_1^5$	...	$\tilde{\mu}_{d-1}^5$	
	$\tilde{\mu}_1^6$	...	$\tilde{\mu}_{d-1}^6$	
	$\tilde{\mu}_1^7$	...	$\tilde{\mu}_{d-1}^7$	
	\vdots	s_B		
		\vdots		
				$\tilde{\mu}_{2h}^h$

transverse directions

$$\tilde{\mu} \in \{+, 1, \dots, d-1\}$$

$$d_{(i)}^+ K \approx 0 \quad \text{Divergenceless} : p^+ \tilde{K}_{+ \dots} \approx 0$$

Means that \tilde{K} valued in \mathcal{Y} of $GL_{(d-1)}$

.Tracelessness in $so(1, d) \Rightarrow$ Tracelessness in $so(d-1)$

cel : $\tilde{K}_{\underline{Y}}$ reduces on-shell to \tilde{K} in UIR $\mathcal{R}_{\underline{Y}}$ of G_p

$G_p \cong so(d-1)$ little group for helicity particles $\xrightarrow{\text{induce}} T(\Lambda, a)$ UIR_{of} $ISO(1, d+1)$

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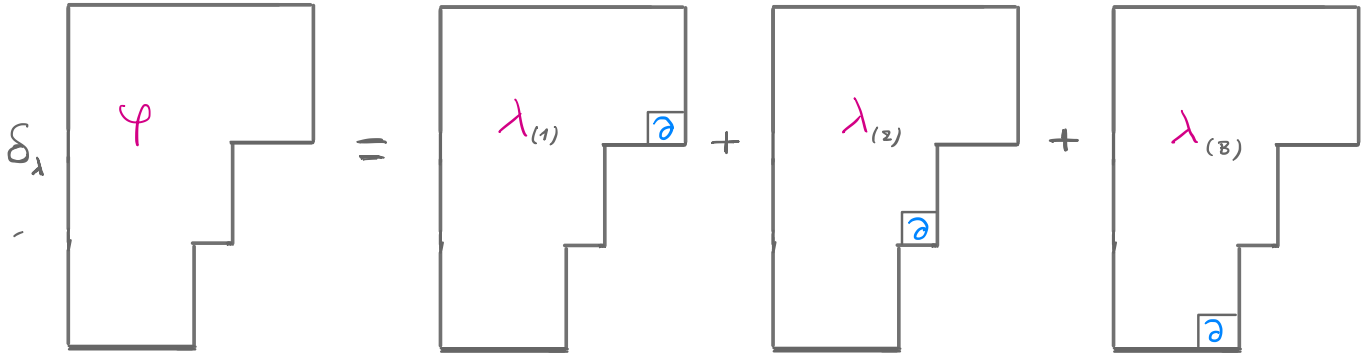
$$K_{-\tilde{\mu}\tilde{\nu}1-\tilde{e}} \quad 0 \equiv K_{[-\tilde{\mu}\tilde{\nu}1\tilde{e}]-} = 3\tilde{K}_{[-\tilde{\mu}\tilde{\nu}1\tilde{e}]-} - \tilde{K}_{\tilde{\mu}\tilde{\nu}\tilde{e}1--} \quad \Leftrightarrow \tilde{K}_{-[\tilde{\mu}\tilde{\nu}1\tilde{e}]-} \equiv 0$$

Gauge invariance

$$K_{\tilde{y}} = d^{(1)} \dots d^{(s_1)} \varphi_{\tilde{y}}$$

Wave equation $\text{Tr } K_{\tilde{y}} \approx 0$ is PDE order s_1 for φ

Invariant under



On-shell, fixing gauge \tilde{K} reduces to $\tilde{K} \approx (p_-)^{s_1} \varphi_{i_1 \dots i_{s_1}}$

X.B. & N.B. Partial gauge fixing of $\text{Tr } \tilde{K} = 0$ $SO(d-1)$

to
$$\left(\square - \sum_{i=1}^{s_1} d^{(i)} d^{(i)\dagger} + \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i,j=1}^{s_1} d^{(i)} d^{(j)} \text{Tr}_{ij} \right) \varphi \approx 0$$
 : Labastida 89 .

News : turn to AdS_{d+1}

3 WAVE EQUATIONS in $(A)dS_{d+1}$

Conventions and notation

$$(\eta_{AB}^{(\sigma)}) = \text{diag} \left(-\sigma, \underbrace{-, +, \dots, +}_{(\delta_{ij})}, \dots \right)$$

(η_{ab})

Lie algebra $so\left(1 + \frac{1+\sigma}{2}, d + \frac{1-\sigma}{2}\right)$

with generators $M_{AB} = M_{AB}^\dagger$

$$\longrightarrow \begin{cases} \sigma = +1 & AdS_{d+1} \\ \sigma = -1 & dS_{d+1} \end{cases}$$

$$A, B, \dots = 0, 1, \dots, d$$

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$$\eta_{ab} = \text{diag} \left(\underset{0}{-}, \underset{1}{+}, \dots, \underset{d}{+} \right) \quad so(1, d)$$

$$[M_{AB}, M_{CD}] = i \left(\eta_{BC}^{(\sigma)} M_{AD} - \eta_{AC}^{(\sigma)} M_{BD} - \eta_{BD}^{(\sigma)} M_{AC} + \eta_{AD}^{(\sigma)} M_{BC} \right)$$

- $P_a := \lambda M_{0,a}$ translations (AdS_{d+1})

$$[M_{ab}, M_{cd}] = i \eta_{bc} M_{ad} + \dots$$

$$[M_{ab}, P_c] = 2i \eta_{c[b} P_{a]}$$

$$[P_a, P_b] = i \sigma \lambda^2 M_{ab}$$

- Another useful decomposition of M_{AB} , adapted to CFT:

$$D := i c_\sigma M_{0,0}, \quad P_i := M_{0i} + c_\sigma M_{0,i}, \quad K_i := M_{0i} - c_\sigma M_{0,i}$$

$$\text{where } c_\sigma = \begin{cases} i & \text{for } \sigma = +1 \\ 1 & \text{for } \sigma = -1 \end{cases}, \quad \text{s.t. } c_\sigma^2 = -\sigma.$$

$$[M_{ij}, M_{kl}] = i \delta_{jk} M_{il} + \dots$$

$$[K_i, P_j] = 2(i M_{ij} + \delta_{ij} D)$$

$$[M_{ij}, P_k] = 2i \delta_{k[j} P_{i]}$$

$$[M_{ij}, K_k] = 2i \delta_{k[j} K_{i]}$$

$$[D, P_i] = P_i$$

$$[D, K_i] = -K_i$$

Note: $\sigma = +1$: $D = -M_{0,0} \equiv E$

$$\text{Quadratic Casimir } C_2 \left[\mathfrak{so} \left(1 + \frac{1+\sigma}{2}, d + \frac{1-\sigma}{2} \right) \right] = \frac{1}{2} M^{AB} M_{AB}$$

$$\text{Using } M_{0i} = \frac{1}{2} (P_i + K_i), \quad M_{\circ i} = \frac{1}{2c_\sigma} (P_i - K_i)$$

$$\frac{1}{2} M^{AB} M_{AB} = D(D-d) - P^i K_i + C_2[\mathfrak{so}(d)]$$

\Rightarrow On a lowest-weight state $|\Delta, \vec{3}\rangle$ annihilated by ladder op. K_i ,

$$\text{s.t. } (D - \Delta) |\Delta, \vec{3}\rangle = 0, \quad K_i |\Delta, \vec{3}\rangle = 0,$$

one finds

$$C_2 \left[\mathfrak{so} \left(1 + \frac{1+\sigma}{2}, d + \frac{1-\sigma}{2} \right) \right] = \Delta(\Delta - d) + \sum_{l=1}^n s_l (s_l + d - 2l)$$

In the $so(1 + \frac{1+\sigma}{2}, d + \frac{1-\sigma}{2})$ -covariant basis where $P_a := \lambda M_{0,a}$,

represent $P_a = -i \nabla_a$ as a diff. operator, ∇ the Lorentz-covariant deriv.

$$\begin{aligned} \Rightarrow C_2 &= \frac{1}{2} M^{AB} M_{AB} \equiv C_2 [so(1, d)] - \sigma \eta^{ab} M_{0,a} M_{0,b} \\ &= C_2 [so(1, d)] - \frac{\sigma}{\lambda^2} P^a P_a \end{aligned}$$

• Set $\frac{\sigma}{\lambda^2} \nabla^a \nabla_a = -\frac{\sigma}{\lambda^2} P^2 = \underbrace{\frac{1}{2} M^{AB} M_{AB} - \frac{1}{2} M^{ab} M_{ab}}_{\Delta(\Delta-d) + \sum_{\ell=1}^{\infty} s_{\ell}(s_{\ell}+d-2\ell)} \stackrel{!}{=} \sigma m_{\mathbb{Y}}^2 \quad (*)$

\Rightarrow Gives a relation between wave equation (linear, relativistic) and (abstract) UIR of $so(1 + \frac{1+\sigma}{2}, d + \frac{1-\sigma}{2})$.

$$(\square - \lambda^2 m_{\mathbb{Y}}^2) \Psi_{\mathbb{Y}} = 0$$

• Asking gauge invariance of wave equation

$$(\square - \lambda^2 m_{\mathcal{Y}}^2) \Psi_{\mathcal{Y}} = 0, \quad \text{Tr} \Psi_{\mathcal{Y}} = 0 = \nabla \cdot \Psi_{\mathcal{Y}} \quad \text{on all indices}$$

$$\text{under} \quad \delta_{\lambda} \Psi_{\mathcal{Y}} = \sum_{\mathcal{I}=1}^{\mathcal{B}} (\nabla^{(\mathcal{I})})^t \lambda_{(\mathcal{I})}$$

gives [Metsaev '95, $t=1$] a set of possibilities for fixed \mathcal{I}

$$\sigma m_{\mathcal{I}}^2 \in \left\{ (s_{\mathcal{I}} - p_{\mathcal{I}} - t)(s_{\mathcal{I}} - p_{\mathcal{I}} + d - t) - \sum_{k=1}^n s_k \right\}_{\mathcal{I}=1, \dots, \mathcal{B}}$$

$$\text{where} \quad p_{\mathcal{I}} := \sum_{\mathcal{J}=1}^{\mathcal{I}} h_{\mathcal{J}}$$

together with similar conditions on the gauge para. $\lambda_{(\mathcal{I})}$

and the gauge-for-gauge parameters $\{\lambda_{(\mathcal{I})}^i\}_{i=2, \dots, p_{\mathcal{I}}}$

Note: In (A)dS, at most **1** gauge parameter! Different from Minkowski!

Group-theoretical description in AdS_{d+1}

Generalized Verma module

$$\mathcal{V} = \left\{ P_{i_1} \dots P_{i_n} |e_0, \vec{s}\rangle_{j \dots k \dots} \right\}_{n=0,1,\dots}$$

$so(2) \oplus so(d) \subset so(2,d)$

Recall $C_2[so(2,d)] = e_0(e_0 - d) + C_2[so(d)]$

with

$$\begin{cases} e_0 > s_1 - h_1 + d - 1 & \text{Massive unitary field} \\ e_0 = e_t^I := s_I - p_I + d - t & \text{partially-massless (gauge) fields} \\ e_0 \neq e_t^I \quad \& \quad e_0 < e_0^1 & \text{Massive non-unitary} \end{cases}$$

Observe $\sigma m_{\mathbb{I}}^2 \in \left\{ e_0^{\mathbb{I}} (e_0^{\mathbb{I}} - d) - \sum_{k=1}^n s_k \right\}_{\mathbb{I}=1, \dots, B}$

In accordance with $\frac{\sigma}{\lambda^2} \square = \frac{1}{2} M^{AB} M_{AB} - \frac{1}{2} M^{ab} M_{ab}$

$$e_0(e_0 - d) + \sum_{\ell=1}^{\mathbb{I}} s_{\ell}(s_{\ell} + d - 2\ell) - \sum_{\ell=1}^{\mathbb{I}} s_{\ell}(s_{\ell} + d + 1 - 2\ell)$$

$$\frac{\sigma}{\lambda^2} \square \Psi = -e_0(-e_0 + d) - \sum_{\ell=1}^{\mathbb{I}} s_{\ell}$$

Gauge invariance of Fierz-Pauli-type wave equation

reflected by

Gauge field
Irr. module

$$\mathcal{D}(e_t^I, \mathbb{Y})$$

minimal energy
of states in the module

$$\cong \frac{\mathcal{D}(e_o^I, \mathbb{Y})}{\mathcal{D}(e_o^I + t, \mathbb{Y}_{(I)})}$$

$$\delta\psi = \nabla^t \lambda_{(I)}$$

Generalized Verma m.

Gauge param. module,
itself a quotient in
general (gauge for gauge)

AdS_{d+1}

Vacuum $so(2) \oplus so(d)$ module

$$\mathbb{V}(e_0, \mathbb{Y})$$

• Casimir

$$C_2 = e_0(e_0 - d) + C_2[so(d)]$$

• Critical mass

$$m_{\mathbb{Y}}^2 = e_0(e_0 - d) - \sum_{k=1}^R s_k$$

• massless for $e_0 = e_{\pm}^{\mp}$
unitarity known $(L_i^-)^{\dagger} = L_i^+$

dS_{d+1}

Vacuum $so(1,1) \oplus so(d)$ module

$$\mathbb{V}(\Delta_c, \mathbb{Y})$$

• Casimir

$$C_2 = \Delta_c(\Delta_c - d) + C_2[so(d)]$$

$$(\nabla^2 - \lambda^2 m_{\mathbb{Y}}^2) \Psi_{\mathbb{Y}} = 0$$

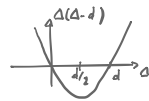
$$-m_{\mathbb{Y}}^2 = \Delta_c(\Delta_c - d) - \sum_{k=1}^R s_k$$

• massless for $\Delta_c = ?$
unitarity?

④ UIR's of $SO(1, d+1)$

- Principal series : $\Delta_c = \frac{d}{2} + i\epsilon$, Υ & e^u arbitrary
 [Rem : $\nabla^2 \Psi_0 = (-\lambda^2) a_c(a_c - d) \Psi_0$ where $\Delta_c(\Delta_c - d) = (\frac{d}{2} + i\epsilon)(\frac{d}{2} - i\epsilon) = -\epsilon^2 - \frac{d^2}{4} \Rightarrow \nabla^2 \geq 0$ in dS_{d+1}]
- Complementary series : $p < \Delta_c < d - p$, $p \in \{0, 1, \dots, \kappa - 1\}$
 $l_k = 0$ for $k = p + 1, \dots, \kappa$.
- Exceptional series : $\Delta_c = d - p$ (or $\Delta_c = p$), $p \in \{1, \dots, \kappa - j\}$
 $l_k = 0$ for $k = p + 1, \dots, \kappa$. (no scalar)
- ($d = 2\kappa + 1$) Discrete series : $\Delta_c = \frac{d}{2} + k$, $k \in \frac{\mathbb{N}}{2}$

$P = P_B$



i.e. $\Delta_c = \frac{d-1}{2} + k'$, $k' \in \mathbb{N}$ maximal height $0 < k' \leq l_\kappa$

[For $SO(1, 2\kappa + 2)$, $\text{rank}[SO(1, d+1)] = \text{rank}[SO(d+1)] = \kappa + 1$.

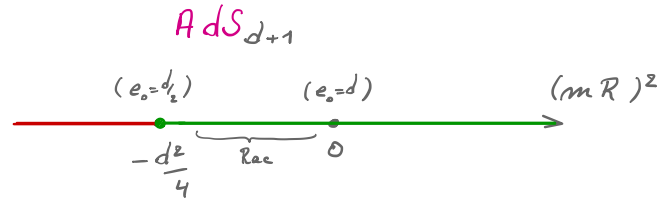
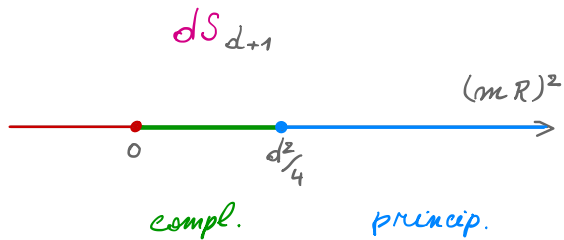
the Cartan subgroup is $SO(d+1)$, compact. The $\kappa + 1$ (commuting) generators of the Cartan subgroup are compact.

For $d = 2\kappa$, no compact Cartan subgroup. There is a $so(1, 1)$ generator among the $\kappa + 1$.

Dictionary

Computing the $so(d+2)$ characters of Generalized Verma modules [using Bernstein - Gel'fand - Gel'fand resolution] and comparing with characters of $so(1, d+1)$ UIR's from the math. literature, we obtained the dictionary

- **Principal & complementary** : Massive fields , e.g.



$$R^2 m^2 = e_0(e_0 - d) \quad e_0 = \frac{d-2}{2} \Rightarrow \text{singleton}$$

$$e_0 \geq s - p + d - 1$$

$$e_0 \geq d - 1 \quad \& \quad e_0 = \frac{d-2}{2}$$

$$m_{Rac}^2 = -\frac{1}{4}(d^2 - 4)$$

$$e_0^{Rac} = \frac{d-2}{2} < \frac{d}{2}, \quad m_{Rac}^2 = -\frac{d^2}{4} + 4, \quad m_{d/2}^2 = -\frac{d^2}{4}$$

• Exceptional series : (partially) massless fields with less-than-maximal height

Unitarity: only the **last** block must be activated

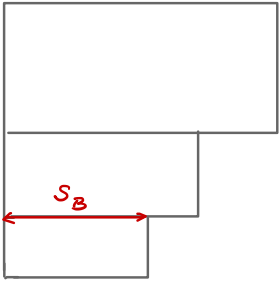
$$\Delta_c = s_B - p + d - t$$

$$p \equiv p_B$$

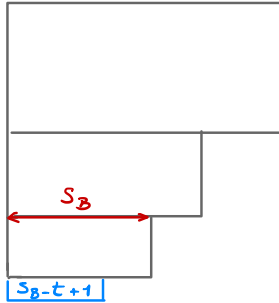
contrary to the first one in AdS.

Rem: The weights (Δ_c, \mathcal{Y}) labelling the VIR \rightsquigarrow Curvature and not φ potential

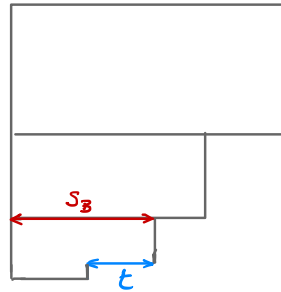
• Discrete series : massless field φ with maximal height



φ potential



K curvature



λ gauge parameter

$$\Delta_c = l_n - n + d - t$$

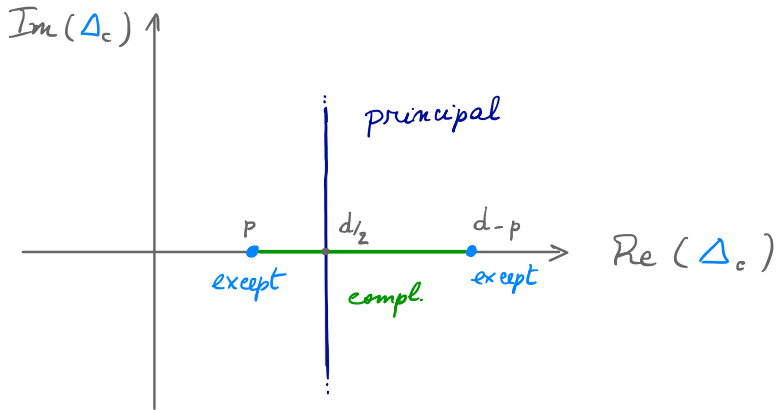
$$p_B \equiv p = n$$

$$s_B \equiv l_n$$

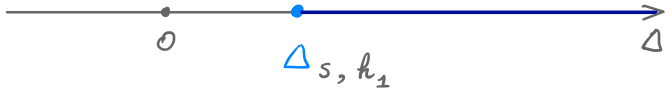
Massless cases : $t = 1$; PM : $1 < t \leq s_B$

Summary: Unitary fields.

dS_{d+1}



AdS_{d+1}



• In the scalar case $s=0$, the field $\phi(x)$ obeys

$$\left[(\square - \lambda^2 m_Y^2) \psi_Y = 0, \quad m_Y^2 = e_0(e_0 - 1) - \sum_{i=1}^3 s_i \right]$$

$$(\square + 2\lambda^2) \phi(x) = 0 \quad \text{in AdS}_4, \quad \text{with}$$

$$m_0^2 = -2 = C_2[\mathfrak{so}(2,3) | \mathcal{D}(e_0, \vec{0})] = -e_0(-e_0 + 3)$$

leaving 2 possibilities compatible with unitarity:

↳ $e_0 = 1$ (Dirichlet) or 2 (Neuman) BC's.

• So, in the zoology of "massless" UIR's

↳ (bosonic) fields propagating in AdS_4 , we have

$\mathcal{D}(s+1, s) \quad s=0,1,2, \dots$ and $\mathcal{D}(2, 0)$. Fronsdal on-shell fields

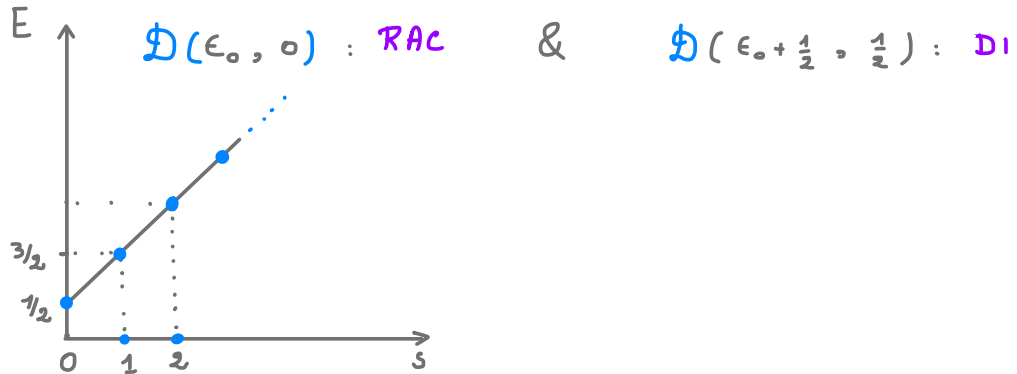
Dirac singletons and Flato-Fronsdal

$$[\epsilon_0 = \frac{d-2}{2}]$$

Two remarkable $\mathfrak{so}(2, d)$ -UIRs : $\mathcal{D}(\epsilon_0, 0)$ & $\mathcal{D}(\epsilon_0 + \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2})$

Not propagating inside AdS_{d+1} but at $\bar{\text{AdS}}_{d+1}$.

↳ single line in compact weight space



Flato - Fronsdal theorem ($d=3$)

$$\bullet \mathcal{D}(\frac{1}{2}, 0) \otimes \mathcal{D}(\frac{1}{2}, 0) \simeq \bigoplus_{s=0}^{\infty} \mathcal{D}(s+1, s)$$

$$\bullet \mathcal{D}(1, \frac{1}{2}) \otimes \mathcal{D}(1, \frac{1}{2}) \simeq \mathcal{D}(2, 0) \oplus \bigoplus_{s=1}^{\infty} \mathcal{D}(s+1, s)$$

Consequence : Compositeness of massless particles in AdS_4

RAC : $\square_3 \phi(x) = 0$ (*) with $\dim(\phi) = \frac{1}{2}$ ($\int d^3x \partial\phi \cdot \partial\phi$)
conformal scalar

• Symmetries of (*). $\frac{\mathcal{U}(\mathcal{SO}(2, d))}{\text{Annih}(\text{RAC})} \simeq \mathcal{A}$ associative algebra
 $\downarrow [\cdot, \cdot]$
 $\mathfrak{hs}(d+1)$

Module $\mathcal{D}(e_0, \vec{0})$ for RAC in $so(2, d)$

From $E = -M_{00} = D$ and $L_i^- = K_i$, $L_i^+ = P_i$, $[E, L_i^\pm] = \pm L_i^\pm$

$$\text{and } [L_i^-, L_j^+] = 2(iM_{ij} + \delta_{ij}E),$$

$$\mathcal{D}(e_0, \vec{0}) = \left\{ L_{i_1}^+ \dots L_{i_n}^+ |e_0, 0\rangle \right\}_{n \in \mathbb{N}} \quad \text{where } L_i^- |e_0, 0\rangle = 0,$$

one searches for nul vectors in \mathcal{D} , level by level.

Level 1:
$$L_i^- L_j^+ |e_0, 0\rangle = L_j^+ L_i^- |e_0, 0\rangle + 2(iM_{ij} + \delta_{ij}E) |e_0, 0\rangle$$

$$= 2\delta_{ij} e_0 |e_0, 0\rangle \Rightarrow \text{cannot vanish.}$$

Level 2:
$$L_i^- L_k^+ L_j^+ |e_0, 0\rangle = (L_k^+ L_i^- L_j^+ + [L_i^-, L_k^+] L_j^+) |e_0, 0\rangle =$$

$$= 2e_0 L_k^+ \delta_{ji} |e_0, \vec{0}\rangle + 2(iM_{ik} + \delta_{ik}E) \underbrace{L_j^+ |e_0, 0\rangle}_{(e_0+1)L_j^+ |e_0, 0\rangle}$$

$$= 4e_0 L_{(k}^+ \delta_{j)i} |e_0, 0\rangle + 2 \underbrace{\delta_{ik}} L_j^+ |e_0, 0\rangle + 2i \cdot i (\underbrace{\delta_{jk}} L_i^+ - \underbrace{\delta_{ji}} L_k^+) |e_0, 0\rangle$$

$$= 2 [2(e_0+1) L_{(k}^+ \delta_{j)i} - \delta_{jk} L_i^+] |e_0, \vec{0}\rangle$$

Hence
$$L_i^- L_k^+ L_j^+ |e_0, \vec{0}\rangle = 2 [2(e_0+1) - d] L_i^+ |e_0, \vec{0}\rangle = 0 \quad \text{for } e_0 = \frac{d-2}{2} = e_0.$$

• It turns out that there is no other nul vector that are not descendant of

$$|N\rangle = L_i^+ L_i^+ \left| \frac{d-2}{2}, 0 \right\rangle, \quad \text{therefore } \mathcal{D}\left(\frac{d-2}{2}, \vec{0}\right) = \frac{\mathcal{V}\left(\frac{d-2}{2}, 0\right)}{\mathcal{D}\left(\frac{d}{2}+1, 0\right)}$$

RacVerma module

• Another example: $\vec{s} = \boxed{s}$ of $so(d)$, $|e_0, \vec{s}\rangle_{i(s)}$ vacuum.

$$L_j^- |e_0, \vec{s}\rangle_{i(s)} \stackrel{!}{=} 0 \quad \text{by assumption, } \mathcal{V}(e_0, \vec{s}) = \left\{ L_{j_1}^+ \dots L_{j_n}^+ |e_0, \vec{s}\rangle_{i(s)} \right\}$$

\hookrightarrow Level 1: Define $|e_{o+1}, s-1\rangle_{i(s-1)} := L_i^+ |e_0, s\rangle_{j i(s-1)}$. Then,

$$\begin{aligned} L_k^- |e_{o+1}, s-1\rangle_{i(s-1)} &= [L_k^-, L_j^+] \delta^{ij} |e_0, s\rangle_{i_1 i_2 \dots i_s} = 2 \delta^{ij} (i M_{kj} + \delta_{kj} E) |e_0, s\rangle_{i(s)} = \\ &= 2 i i \delta^{ij} \left[\delta_{i_1 j} |e_0, s\rangle_{k i_2 \dots i_s} - \delta_{i_1 k} |e_0, s\rangle_{j i_2 \dots i_s} + \right. \\ &\quad \left. + (s-1) \left(\delta_{i_2 j} |e_0, s\rangle_{i_1 k i_3 \dots i_s} - \delta_{i_2 k} |e_0, s\rangle_{i_1 j i_3 \dots i_s} \right) \right] + 2 \delta_k^{i_1} e_0 |e_0, s\rangle_{i(s)} \end{aligned}$$

$$\stackrel{f \div 2}{\frac{1}{2} L_k^- |e_{o+1}, s-1\rangle_{i(s-1)}} = \left[-(d-1 + s-1 - 0) + e_0 \right] |e_0, s\rangle_{k i(s-1)} \Rightarrow \text{Nul vector at level 1 if } e_0 = s+d-2.$$

Again, no higher independant nul vector: $\mathcal{D}(s+d-2, s)$ the Fronsdal spin- s module.

$$\Rightarrow \text{Fronsdal module } \mathcal{D}(s+d-2, s) = \frac{\mathcal{V}(s+d-2, s)}{\mathcal{D}(s+d-1, s-1)} \quad \text{UIR of } so(2, d).$$

Reminder on algebra and characters

If V is a \mathfrak{g} -module, $\chi_V = \sum_{\lambda \in \Phi_V} \text{mult}_\lambda e^\lambda$ function on weight space.

$\hookrightarrow e^\lambda(\mu) := e^{(\lambda, \mu)}$ where $(\lambda, \mu) = G^{ij} \lambda_i \mu_j$ for $\lambda = \sum_{i=1}^r \lambda_i \underbrace{\Lambda^{(i)}}_{\text{Dynkin labels}} = \sum_{i=1}^r \lambda_i \underbrace{\alpha^{(i)v}}_{\text{simple co-root}}$

$\underbrace{\hspace{10em}}_{\text{symmetric Cartan matrix}} \quad \underbrace{\hspace{10em}}_{\text{fundam. weight}}$

$\cdot G^{ij} = (\alpha^{(i)v}, \alpha^{(j)v}) = \frac{2}{(\alpha^{(i)}, \alpha^{(i)})} A^{ij} = \frac{2(\alpha^{(i)}, \alpha^{(j)})}{(\alpha^{(i)}, \alpha^{(i)})(\alpha^{(j)}, \alpha^{(j)})}$, dual to Killing form.

$\cdot G_{ij}$ inverse of G^{ij} .

$\cdot \alpha^{(i)} = (\alpha^{(i)})^j \Lambda_{(j)} = (\alpha^{(i)})_k \alpha^{(k)v} \Rightarrow (\alpha^{(i)})^j = (\alpha^{(i)}, \alpha^{(j)v}) = (\alpha^{(i)})_k G^{kj} = A^{ij}$

$[H^i, E^{\alpha^{(j)}}] = (\alpha^{(j)})^i E^{\alpha^{(j)}} = A^{ij} E^{\alpha^{(j)}}$

Example: \mathfrak{sl}_2 , $A=2$.



$$\chi_{\Lambda}(\mu) = \sum_{n=0}^{\Lambda} 1 \cdot e^{\Lambda - 2n}(\mu) = \sum_{n=0}^{\Lambda} \exp[(\Lambda - 2n)^i \mu_j^j \underbrace{G_{ij}}_{1/2} \quad (r=1)]$$

$$= \sum_{n=0}^{\Lambda} \exp \frac{(\Lambda - 2n)\mu}{2} = e^{\frac{\Lambda\mu}{2}} + e^{\frac{\Lambda-2}{2}\mu} + \dots + e^{-\frac{\Lambda+2}{2}\mu} + e^{-\frac{\Lambda}{2}\mu}$$

$[L_i, L_j] = i \epsilon_{ijk} L_k$
 $L^{\pm} := L_1 \pm i L_2, L_0 := 2 L_3$
 $[L^+, L^-] = L_0, [L_0, L^{\pm}] = \pm 2 L^{\pm}$

$$= e^{\frac{\Lambda\mu}{2}} (1 + e^{-\mu} + \dots + e^{-\Lambda\mu}) = e^{\frac{\Lambda\mu}{2}} \frac{1 - e^{-(\Lambda+1)\mu}}{1 - e^{-\mu}} = \frac{e^{\frac{\Lambda\mu}{2}} - e^{-\frac{(\Lambda+1)\mu}{2}}}{e^{-\frac{\mu}{2}} - e^{-\frac{(\Lambda+1)\mu}{2}}} = \frac{e^{\frac{(\Lambda+1)\mu}{2}} - e^{-\frac{(\Lambda+1)\mu}{2}}}{e^{\frac{\mu}{2}} - e^{-\frac{\mu}{2}}}$$

$\Leftrightarrow \chi_{\Lambda}(\mu) = \frac{\sinh((\Lambda+1)\mu/2)}{\sinh(\mu/2)}$

$\beta := e^{\mu/2}$
 $\Lambda = 2S$

$\chi_{\Lambda}(\beta) = \frac{\beta^{\Lambda+1} - \beta^{-\Lambda-1}}{\beta - \beta^{-1}} = \frac{\beta^{2S+1} - \beta^{-2S-1}}{\beta - \beta^{-1}}$

Flato-Fronsdal theorem for $d=3$, $\text{Rac} \otimes \text{Rac} = \bigoplus_{s=0}^{\infty} \mathcal{D}(s+1, s)$, using *character formula*:

1) Character of Rac: $\mathcal{D}(\frac{1}{2}, 0) = \{ |1/2, 0\rangle, L_i^+ |1/2, 0\rangle, \underbrace{L_i^+ L_j^+}_{\text{traceless}} |1/2, 0\rangle, \dots \}$

$q := \pi_0 = (\exp_{\mathfrak{so}(2)})(\mu)$, extra direction e_y in \mathbb{E}^{r+1} associated with $E = \text{so}(2)$ generator.

Set $q = \alpha^2$ so that $\chi_{\text{Rac}}(\mu) = \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} (\alpha^2)^{j+1/2} \chi_j(\beta) = \alpha \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} \alpha^{2j} \frac{\beta^{2j+1} - \beta^{-2j-1}}{\beta - \beta^{-1}}$

$\Leftrightarrow \chi_{\text{Rac}}(\mu) = \alpha \left(\frac{\beta}{\beta - \beta^{-1}} \frac{1}{1 - (\alpha\beta)^2} - \frac{\beta^{-1}}{\beta - \beta^{-1}} \frac{1}{1 - (\frac{\alpha}{\beta})^2} \right) = \frac{1 + \alpha^2}{\alpha \left(\alpha\beta - \frac{1}{\alpha\beta} \right) \left(\frac{\alpha}{\beta} - \frac{\beta}{\alpha} \right)} = \chi_{\text{Rac}}(\mu)$

We have seen $\mathcal{D}(s+1, s) = \{ L_{i_1}^+ \dots L_{i_n}^+ |s+1, s\rangle_{j_1 \dots j_s} \}$ s.t. $L^{+j} |s+1, s\rangle_{j_1 \dots j_s} \sim 0$.

2) Character of Fronsdal $\mathcal{D}(s+1, s)$:

$k=0$: $|s+1, s\rangle_{i_1 \dots i_s}$, $k=1$: $\{ L_{i_1}^+ |s+1, s\rangle_{i_2 \dots i_{s+1}} \}$, $\epsilon_{i_1}^{j_1} L_{j_1}^+ |s+1, s\rangle_{i_2 \dots i_s}$, $L_{i_1}^+ |s+1, s\rangle_{j_1 i_2 \dots i_s}$, $L_{i_1}^+ |s+1, s\rangle_{j_1 i_2 \dots i_s}$ ^{0 in D}

$(\alpha^2)^{s+1} \chi_s(\beta)$ $(\alpha^2)^{s+1+1} \chi_{s+1}(\beta)$, $(\alpha^2)^{s+1+1} \chi_s(\beta)$ $(\alpha^2)^{s+2} \chi_{s-1}(\beta)$

$k=2$: $L_{i_1}^+ L_{i_2}^+ |s+1, s\rangle_{i_3 \dots i_s}$, $\epsilon_{i_1}^{j_1} L_{j_1}^+ L_{i_2}^+ |s+1, s\rangle_{i_3 \dots i_{s+1}}$, $L_{i_1}^+ L_{i_2}^+ |s+1, s\rangle_{j_1 i_3 \dots i_s}$, $L_{i_1}^+ L_{i_2}^+ |s+1, s\rangle_{j_1 i_3 \dots i_s}$

$(\alpha^2)^{s+3} \chi_{s+2}(\beta)$ $(\alpha^2)^{s+3} \chi_{s+1}(\beta)$ $(\alpha^2)^{s+3} \chi_s(\beta)$ $(\alpha^2)^{s+3} \chi_{s-1}(\beta)$

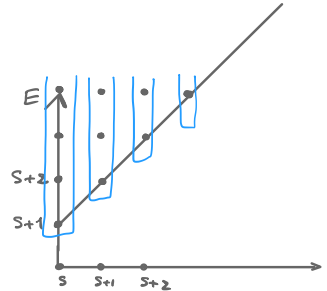
$(L^+ \cdot L^+) |s+1, s\rangle \}$

$$\underline{k=3} : \{ \underbrace{L_i^+ L_i^+ L_i^+}_{s+3} |s+1, s\rangle_{i \dots i}, \underbrace{\epsilon_i \cdot \delta^k}_{s+2} L_i^+ L_j^+ L_i^+ |s+1, s\rangle_{k \dots i}, \underbrace{(L_i^+ L_i^+) L_i^+}_{s+1} |s+1, s\rangle_{i \dots i}, \underbrace{(L_i^+ L_i^+) \epsilon_i \cdot \delta^k}_{s} L_j^+ |s+1, s\rangle_k \}$$

→ Contributions to $\chi_s(\beta)$: $(\alpha^2)^{s+1} \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \alpha^{2k}$

→ Contributions to $\chi_{s+1}(\beta)$: $(\alpha^2)^{s+1} \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \alpha^{2k+1}$

$$\chi_{s+1, s}(\mu) = (\alpha^2)^{s+1} \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \alpha^{2k} (\chi_s + \alpha^2 \chi_{s+1} + (\alpha^2)^2 \chi_{s+2} + \dots)$$



$$\begin{aligned} &= (\alpha^2)^{s+1} \frac{1}{1-\alpha^2} \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} \alpha^{2j} \chi_{s+j}(\beta) = \frac{\alpha^{2s+2}}{1-\alpha^2} \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} \alpha^{2j} \frac{\beta^{2s+2j+1} - \beta^{-2s-2j-1}}{\beta - \beta^{-1}} = \\ &= \frac{\alpha^{2s+2}}{1-\alpha^2} \frac{1}{\beta - \beta^{-1}} \left[\beta^{2s+1} \frac{1}{1-(\alpha\beta)^2} - \beta^{-2s-1} \frac{1}{1-(\frac{\alpha}{\beta})^2} \right] \alpha \frac{1}{(\frac{1}{\alpha\beta} - \alpha\beta)} \frac{1}{\alpha (\frac{\beta}{\alpha} - \frac{\alpha}{\beta})} \\ &= \frac{\alpha^{2s+2}}{1-\alpha^2} \frac{1}{\beta - \beta^{-1}} \frac{1}{(\frac{\alpha}{\beta} - \frac{\beta}{\alpha})(\alpha\beta - \frac{1}{\alpha\beta})} \frac{1}{\alpha^2} \left(\underbrace{\beta^{2s+1} - \alpha^2 \beta^{2s-1}}_{(1 - \frac{\alpha^2}{\beta^2}) \beta^{2s+1}} - \beta^{-2s-1} + \alpha^2 \beta^{-2s+1} \right) \\ &= \frac{c}{D} (\beta - \beta^{-1}) [\chi_s(\beta) - \alpha^2 \chi_{s-1}(\beta)] \end{aligned}$$

$$\Rightarrow \chi_{s+1, s}(\mu) = \frac{\alpha^{2s}}{(1-\alpha^2)(\frac{\alpha}{\beta} - \frac{\beta}{\alpha})(\alpha\beta - \frac{1}{\alpha\beta})} (\chi_s(\beta) - \alpha^2 \chi_{s-1}(\beta))$$

Difference of 2 characters of generalised Verma modules.

Finally, compute the sum

$$\Sigma := \chi_{(1,0)} + \sum_{s=1}^{\infty} \frac{\alpha^{2s}}{\underbrace{\left(1-\alpha^2\right)\left(\frac{\alpha}{\beta}-\frac{\beta}{\alpha}\right)\left(\alpha\beta-\frac{1}{\alpha\beta}\right)}} \left(\chi_s(\beta) - \alpha^2 \chi_{s-1}(\beta)\right) \rightarrow \mathbb{D}$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \Sigma = \frac{1}{\mathbb{D}} \left[\chi_0 + (\alpha^2 \chi_1 - \alpha^4 \chi_0) + (\alpha^4 \chi_2 - \alpha^6 \chi_1) + (\alpha^6 \chi_3 - \alpha^8 \chi_2) + \dots \right]$$

$$= \frac{1}{\mathbb{D}} (1-\alpha^4) \left[\chi_0 + \alpha^2 \chi_1 + \alpha^4 \chi_2 + \dots \right]$$

$$= \frac{1+\alpha^2}{\left(\frac{\alpha}{\beta}-\frac{\beta}{\alpha}\right)\left(\alpha\beta-\frac{1}{\alpha\beta}\right)} \frac{1}{\beta-\beta^{-1}} \left[\beta - \beta^{-1} + \alpha^2 (\beta^3 - \beta^{-3}) + \alpha^4 (\beta^5 - \beta^{-5}) + \dots \right]$$

$$= \frac{1+\alpha^2}{\left(\frac{\alpha}{\beta}-\frac{\beta}{\alpha}\right)\left(\alpha\beta-\frac{1}{\alpha\beta}\right)} \frac{1}{\beta-\beta^{-1}} \left[\beta \left(1 + \alpha^2 \beta^2 + \alpha^4 \beta^4 + \dots\right) - \beta^{-1} \left(1 + \frac{\alpha^2}{\beta^2} + \frac{\alpha^4}{\beta^4} + \dots\right) \right]$$

$$= \frac{1+\alpha^2}{\left(\frac{\alpha}{\beta}-\frac{\beta}{\alpha}\right)\left(\alpha\beta-\frac{1}{\alpha\beta}\right)} \frac{1}{\beta-\beta^{-1}} \left[\frac{\beta}{1-(\alpha\beta)^2} - \frac{\beta^{-1}}{1-\frac{\alpha^2}{\beta^2}} \right] = \frac{1+\alpha^2}{\left(\frac{\alpha}{\beta}-\frac{\beta}{\alpha}\right)\left(\alpha\beta-\frac{1}{\alpha\beta}\right)} \frac{1}{\cancel{\beta-\beta^{-1}}} \frac{(1+\alpha^2)(\cancel{\beta-\beta^{-1}})}{\alpha^2 \left(\frac{\alpha}{\beta}-\frac{\beta}{\alpha}\right)\left(\alpha\beta-\frac{1}{\alpha\beta}\right)}$$

$$= \frac{(1+\alpha^2)^2}{\alpha^2 \left(\frac{\alpha}{\beta}-\frac{\beta}{\alpha}\right)^2 \left(\alpha\beta-\frac{1}{\alpha\beta}\right)^2} \equiv (\chi_{\text{Rac}})^2.$$

$$\Rightarrow \chi_{\text{Rac}}^2 = \chi_{(1,0)} + \sum_{s=1}^{\infty} \chi_{(s+1,s)}$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \mathbb{D}\left(\frac{1}{2}, 0\right) \otimes \mathbb{D}\left(\frac{1}{2}, 0\right) \cong \bigoplus_{s=0}^{\infty} \mathbb{D}(s+1, s)$$

\hookrightarrow Holography $\text{HS}_4 / \text{CFT}_3$
cfr other talks!

In the orthonormal basis for $B_r = so(2r+1)$ and $D_r = so(2r)$,

$\{e_i\}_{i=1, \dots, r} \in \mathbb{R}^r$ basis Cartesian

	simple roots	positive roots
B_r	$e_i - e_{i+1} \quad 1 \leq i \leq r-1$ e_r	$e_i \pm e_j \quad 1 \leq i < j \leq r,$ $e_i \quad 1 \leq i \leq r$
D_r	$e_i - e_{i+1} \quad 1 \leq i \leq r-1$ $e_{r-1} + e_r$	$e_i \pm e_j \quad 1 \leq i < j \leq r$

$$\lambda = \sum_{i=1}^r l_i e_i,$$

$$\alpha_i := e^{e_i}(\mu) = e^{\vec{\mu} \cdot \vec{e}_i} = e^{\mu_i}.$$

$$l_{\{n_\alpha\}} := 1 + \sum_{\alpha \in \Phi_-} n_\alpha \cdot \alpha$$

for $\{n_\alpha\}_{\alpha \in \Phi_-}$ set of non-negative integers.

$$C_\lambda = \sum_{\forall \{n_\alpha\}} e^{l_{\{n_\alpha\}}} = e^\lambda \sum_{n_\alpha=0}^{\infty} \prod_{\alpha \in \Phi_-} \pi (e^\alpha)^{n_\alpha} = e^\lambda \prod_{\alpha \in \Phi_-} \frac{1}{1 - e^\alpha}$$

character of generalised Verma module, for \mathfrak{g} semi-simple. (non-degeneracy in root system)

$$\begin{aligned} \Rightarrow C_{\vec{\lambda}}^{so(2r)}(\vec{\mu}) &= \left(\prod_{i=1}^r e^{l_i \mu_i} \right) \prod_{1 \leq i < j \leq r} \frac{1}{1 - e^{(-e_i + e_j, \mu)}} \frac{1}{1 - e^{(-e_i - e_j, \mu)}} \\ &= \prod_{i=1}^r (\mu_i)^{l_i} \prod_{1 \leq i < j < r} \frac{1}{(1 - \mu_i^{-1} \mu_j)(1 - \mu_i^{-1} \mu_j^{-1})} \end{aligned}$$

• Gauge symmetries : $\delta \varphi_{\mu(s)} = s \nabla_{\mu} \lambda_{\mu(s-1)}$.

↳ Minimal set of fields & gauge parameters \rightsquigarrow Fronsdal.

$$\begin{aligned}
 -2 \mathcal{L}(\varphi, \nabla \varphi) &= \nabla_{\nu} \varphi_{\mu(s)} \nabla^{\nu} \varphi^{\mu(s)} - \frac{s(s-1)}{2} \nabla_{\nu} \varphi'_{\mu(s-2)} \nabla^{\nu} \varphi'^{\mu(s-2)} \\
 &+ s(s-1) \nabla_{\nu} \varphi'_{\mu(s-2)} \nabla_{\rho} \varphi^{\rho\nu\mu(s-2)} - s \nabla_{\nu} \varphi'^{\nu}_{\mu(s-1)} \nabla_{\rho} \varphi^{\rho\mu(s-1)} \\
 &- \frac{s(s-1)(s-2)}{2} \nabla_{\nu} \varphi'^{\nu}_{\mu(s-3)} \nabla_{\lambda} \varphi'^{\lambda\mu(s-3)} \\
 &+ m_c^2 \varphi^{\mu(s)} \varphi_{\mu(s)} + m_c'^2 \varphi'^{\mu(s-2)} \varphi'_{\mu(s-2)}.
 \end{aligned}$$

AdS₅

where

$$m_c = \lambda^2 (s^2 + (D-6)s - 2D + 6)$$

$$\bar{R}_{\mu\nu\rho\sigma} = -\lambda^2 (\bar{g}_{\mu\rho} \bar{g}_{\nu\sigma} - \bar{g}_{\nu\rho} \bar{g}_{\mu\sigma}), \quad \lambda^2 = \frac{-2\Lambda}{(D-1)(D-2)}, \quad G_{\mu\nu} + \Lambda g_{\mu\nu} = 0.$$

• Maxwell's theory: $A_\mu(x) := \Psi_\mu(x)$, $\delta_\epsilon A_\mu(x) = \partial_\mu \epsilon(x)$

• $S[A_\mu] = -\frac{1}{4} \int d^4x F^{\mu\nu} F_{\mu\nu}$, $F_{\mu\nu} := 2 \partial_{[\mu} A_{\nu]}$

• $\delta_\epsilon S[A_\mu] = 0 \iff \partial^\mu F_{\mu\nu} \equiv 0$ (Noether id.)

• Fierz-Pauli in metric-like notation:

$h_{\mu_1 \mu_2}(x) := \Psi_{\mu^{(2)}}(x)$, $\delta_\epsilon \Psi_{\mu^{(2)}} = 2 \partial_\mu \epsilon_\mu$ ($\delta_\epsilon h_{\mu\nu} = 2 \partial_{(\mu} \epsilon_{\nu)}$)

• $S_0[\Psi_{\mu^{(2)}}] = -\frac{1}{2} \int d^4x [\partial^\nu \Psi^{\mu^{(2)}} \partial_\nu \Psi_{\mu^{(2)}} + \dots]$

• $\delta_\epsilon S_0[\Psi_{\mu^{(2)}}] = 0 \iff \partial^\mu G_{\mu\nu}^{(1)}(x) \equiv 0$, $G_{\mu\nu}^{(1)} := R_{\mu\nu} - \frac{1}{2} \eta_{\mu\nu} R$.

• Fronsdal's formulation

• $\Psi_{\mu_1 \dots \mu_s} = \Psi_{(\mu_1 \dots \mu_s)} = \Psi_{\mu^{(s)}} ,$

\hookrightarrow Gauge transformation: $\delta_\epsilon \Psi_{\mu_1 \dots \mu_s} = s \bar{\nabla}_{(\mu_1} \epsilon_{\mu_2 \dots \mu_s)}$

Constr.: $\bar{g}^{\mu\nu} \bar{g}^{\rho\sigma} \Psi_{\mu\nu\rho\sigma\dots} \equiv 0 \quad (s \geq 4), \quad \bar{g}^{\mu\nu} \epsilon_{\mu\nu\dots} \equiv 0 \quad (s \geq 3)$

• $S^{\text{Fr}}[\Psi] = \int \mathcal{L}(\Psi, \bar{\nabla}\Psi) , \quad \frac{\delta S^{\text{Fr}}}{\delta \Psi_{\mu^{(s)}}} =: G^{\mu^{(s)}} \approx 0$

$\nabla^{\mu_1} G_{\mu_1, \mu_2 \dots \mu_s} \prec \bar{g}_{(\mu_2, \mu_3} \nabla^\alpha G'_{\mu_4 \dots \mu_s)\alpha}$ *Noether identity*

AdS/CFT & open problems

$$\lambda \sim \left(\frac{R^2}{\alpha'}\right)^2$$

$$\lambda \rightarrow 0$$

HS₄ / CFT₃

[Sezgin-Sundell, Klebanov-Polyakov]

BC on \mathcal{Y}	type A	type B
$\Delta = 1$	UV fixed-pt Free singlet theory CFT ₃	Gross-Neveu model critical
$\Delta = 2$	critical $O(N)$ model	Free Fermions CFT ₃

$$R \ll l_s, N \rightarrow \infty$$

$$\lambda \ll 1, N \rightarrow \infty$$

↕

$$\frac{G}{R^2} \sim \frac{1}{N}$$

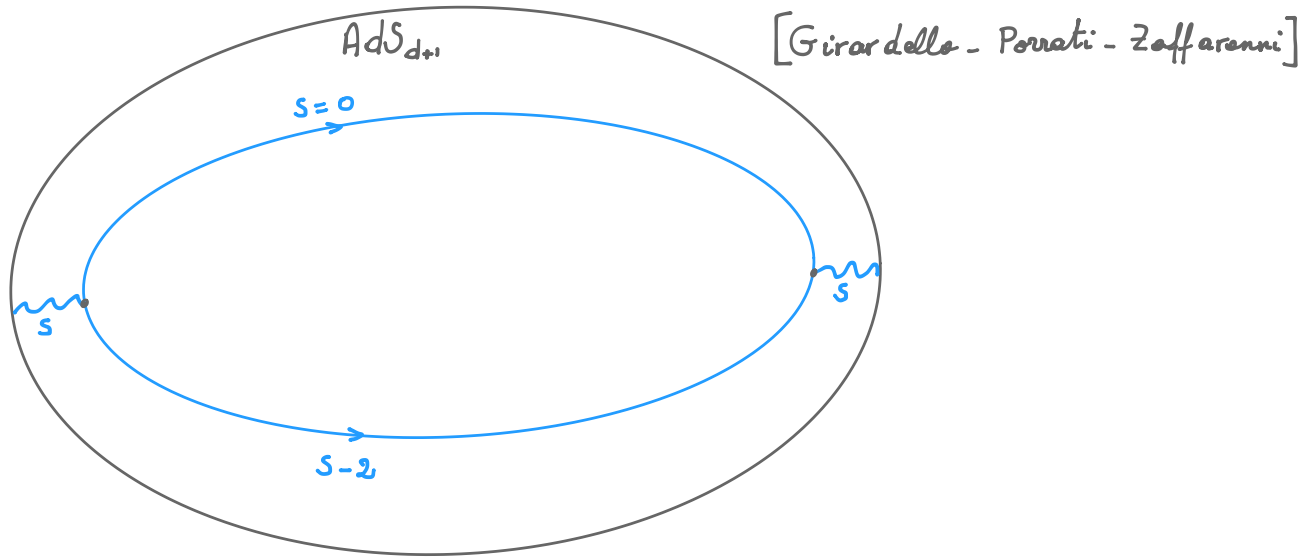
where $G = \text{Newton's}$.

HS₃ / CFT₂

Prokushkin-Vasiliev ↔
[Gaberdiel-Gopakumar]

Minimal model
CFT₂

When bulk scalar field in $\Delta = 2$ BC,



• Boundary CFT: $\partial^M J_{\mu\nu}^{(s)} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{N}} \partial_\nu J^{(0)} \cdot J_{\nu}^{(s-2)}$

- Bulk: Gives mass to $s > 2$ fields, *perturbatively*. Spin fields $s \leq 2$ protected.