



The Supersphere

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Superspace Sigma Models

Aim: Study non-linear sigma models with target space supersymmetry **not world-sheet**

- **Strings in AdS backgrounds** **[pure spinor]**
- **Cond mat systems w. random disorder**

Focus on scale invariant QFT, i.e. 2D CFT

Properties: **Weird**: logarithmic conformal field theories !

Remarkable: Many families with cont. varying exponents

Examples: Super-Cosets

Families_R ← compact symmetric Sspaces

Radius ↗

only metric, no dilaton, B-field, H-flux

$$\frac{\text{OSP}(2S+2|2S)}{\text{OSP}(2S+1|2S)} \rightarrow S^{2S+1|2S} \quad \begin{array}{l} \text{[Read, Saleur]} \\ \vdots \end{array}$$

$$c = 1$$

$$\frac{\text{GL}(N|N)}{\text{GL}(N-1|N)} \rightarrow CP^{N-1|N} \quad \begin{array}{l} \text{[Sethi][Schwarz]} \\ \vdots \end{array}$$

$$c = -2$$

Calabi-Yau
superspace

- note: $c^v(\text{GL}(N|N)) = 0 = c^v(\text{OSP}(2S+2|2S))$
- extension to non-compact known; $G/G^{\mathbb{Z}_4}$?

The Supersphere $S^{2S+1|2S}$

$$S^{2S+1|2S} = \left\{ C := \sum_{i=1}^{2S+2} x_i^2 + 2 \sum_{a=1}^S \eta_{2a-1} \eta_{2a} = 1 \right\}$$

Family of CFTs with continuously varying exp.

parameter R

$$X = (x, \eta)$$

+ constraint

$$\mathcal{S}_R \sim R^2 \int d^2 z \partial X_a \bar{\partial} X^a \quad C(X_a) = 1$$

cp. PCM on $S^3 \rightarrow$ massive flow

Solving constraints \rightarrow non-linear action:

$$\mathcal{S}_R \sim R^2 \int d^2 z (1 - 2\eta_1 \eta_2) \left(\partial \varphi_1 \bar{\partial} \varphi_1 + \cos^2 \varphi_1 \partial \varphi_2 \bar{\partial} \varphi_2 + \sin^2 \varphi_1 \partial \varphi_3 \bar{\partial} \varphi_3 \right) + \dots$$

Main Results & Plan of Talk

Explicit formula for $Z^R(S^{3|2})$ w. Neumann BC

Application: $S^{3|2}$ dual to Gross-Neveu Model

conjectured by [Candu, Saleur]

Plan:

extends $S^1 \leftrightarrow$ massless Thirring

- Cohomological Reduction of Sspheres
- The exact spectrum of the Ssphere $S^{3|2}$
- Application: The duality with GN-Model
- Conclusion and some Open Problems

I.1 Cohomological Reduction

$S^{1|0} \leftrightarrow$ compactified free boson

Consider Q in $\mathfrak{h} = \text{Lie } H \subset \mathfrak{g} = \text{Lie } G$ w. $Q^2 = 0$

$$\mathcal{S}_{G/H} = \mathcal{S}_{G'/H'} + Q\mathcal{K} \quad \text{[Candu, Creutzig, Mitev, VS]}$$

$g' = H_Q(g)$ \nearrow $H_Q(h) = h'$

and for observables $H_Q(\mathcal{A}_{G/H}) = \mathcal{A}_{G'/H'}$

e.g. $S^1 \rightarrow S^{3|2} \rightarrow S^{5|4} \rightarrow \dots \rightarrow S^{2N+1|2N}$

let's check for zero modes

II.2 Reduction of Representations

Representation V of $g \rightarrow$ cohomology $H_Q(V)$

- $H_Q(V)$ is a representation of $H_Q(g) = g'$
- $sdim V = dim V_0 - dim V_1 = sdim H_Q(V)$
- $H_Q(V) = 0$ when V is projective module

 **long or very special combination
of short multiplets**

Examples:

$$H_Q(osp(4|2)) = o(2)$$

$$sdim g = 9 - 8 = 1 = sdim g'$$

$$H_Q(osp(3|2)) = 0$$

$$sdim h = 6 - 6 = 0$$

$$H_Q(F^{4|2}) = F^{2|0}$$

$$sdim F^{4|2} = 2 = sdim F^{2|0}$$

Reduction for zero modes

↔ **non-derivative fields**

$$Z_0(z_1, z_2, z_3) = \lim_{t \rightarrow 1} (1 - t^2) \frac{(1 + z_1^{1/2} t)(1 + z_1^{-1/2} t)}{(1 - z_2^{1/2} z_3^{1/2} t) \cdots (1 - z_2^{-1/2} z_3^{-1/2} t)}$$

$$= 1 + \sum_j \chi_{[\frac{1}{2}, \frac{j}{2}, \frac{j}{2}]}(z_1, z_2, z_3) \quad \text{decomposition into harmonics}$$

Representations $[1/2, j/2, j/2]$ realized on $V^{k+2|k}$

$$H_Q(V^{k+2|k}) = V^{2|0}$$

↑
short/atypical

↗
 $k = 2j^2$

$$H_Q(\text{Fun}(S^{3|2})) = \text{Fun}(S^1)$$

most derivative fields do not contribute to H_Q

I-II The free Boson - Summary

Neumann BC

moduli dependence

$$Z \sim \sum_{m \in \mathbb{Z}} \frac{1}{\eta(q)} q^{\frac{1}{2R^2} m^2} z^m = \sum_{m \in \mathbb{Z}} \psi_m(q) q^{\frac{1}{2R^2} m^2} \chi_m(z)$$

$$\longrightarrow q^{-\frac{1}{24}} \phi(q) \lim_{t \rightarrow 1} (1 - t^2) \prod_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{(1 - z^{1/2} q^n)(1 - z^{-1/2} q^n)}$$

$q^0 = t$

- R-dependence through universal fct $f \sim 1/2R^2$
- Branching fcts ψ_m can be computed at $R = \infty$
- Exponent fm^2 depends only on $\mathfrak{o}(2)$ label m

II.0 Spectrum of σ -Model on $S^3|2$

[Mitev,Quella,VS]

$$Z^R(q; z_i) = \sum_{\Lambda} \psi_{\Lambda}(q) q^{\frac{1}{2}} \frac{1}{R^2} C^{(2)}(\Lambda) \chi_{\Lambda}(z_1, z_2, z_3)$$

- Obtained by summing all order perturbative expansion
possible because of target space SUSY
- Tested through extensive numerical lattice simulations

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$$\Lambda = [j_1, j_2, j_3]$$

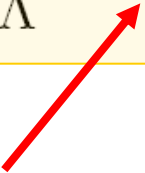
Character $\chi_{\Lambda} = \chi_{\Lambda}(z_1, z_2, z_3)$ of
many more Λ than in MSS!! representation Λ of $\mathfrak{osp}(4|2)$

e.g. trivial rep $0 = [0, 0, 0]$, fund. rep $F = [\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}]$

$$\chi_0 = 1 \quad \chi_f = z_1^{\frac{1}{2}} + z_1^{-\frac{1}{2}} + z_2^{\frac{1}{2}} z_3^{\frac{1}{2}} + \cdots + z_2^{-\frac{1}{2}} z_3^{-\frac{1}{2}}$$

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Branching fcts at $R = \infty$ from decomposition of

$$Z^{R=\infty} = q^{-\frac{1}{24}} \phi(q) \lim_{t \rightarrow 1} (1 - t^2) \prod_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(1 + z_1^{1/2} q^n)(1 + z_1^{-1/2} q^n)}{(1 - z_2^{1/2} z_3^{1/2} q^n) \cdots (1 - z_2^{-1/2} z_3^{-1/2} q^n)}$$

Euler fct

$q^0 = t$

II.2₁ The Branching functions

From following decomposition of Z^R at $R = \infty$

$$Z^{R=\infty}(q; z_i) = \sum_{\Lambda} \psi_{\Lambda}(q) \chi_{\Lambda}(z_1, z_2, z_3)$$

→ Branching functions **recall $\Lambda = [j_1, j_2, j_3]$**

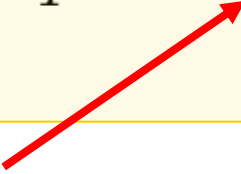
$$\psi_{[j_i]}(q) = \frac{q^{-\frac{1}{2}} C^{(2)}[j_i]}{\eta(q) \phi(q)^3} \sum_{n,m=0}^{\infty} (-1)^{m+n} q^{\frac{m}{2}(m+4j_1+2n+1) + \frac{n}{2} + j_1}$$

$$\times \left(q^{(j_2 - \frac{n}{2})^2} - q^{(j_2 + \frac{n}{2} + 1)^2} \right) \left(q^{(j_3 - \frac{n}{2})^2} - q^{(j_3 + \frac{n}{2} + 1)^2} \right)$$

replace $\psi_m \sim 1/\eta$ for free boson

II.3 Spectrum of σ -Model on $S^{3|2}$

[Candu,Mitev,Quella,VS,Saleur]

$$Z^R(q; z_i) = \sum_{\Lambda} \psi_{\Lambda}(q) q^{\frac{1}{2} \frac{1}{R^2} C^{(2)}(\Lambda)} \chi_{\Lambda}(z_1, z_2, z_3)$$


Value of Quadratic Casimir in representation of $\mathfrak{osp}(4|2)$

$$C^{(2)}[j_1, j_2, j_3] = -4j_1(j_1 - 1) + 2j_2(j_2 + 1) + 2j_3(j_3 + 1)$$

can be positive and negative

Casimir evolution of weights for S sphere may be established w. background field expansion

II.3₁ Casimir evolution of Weights

Free Boson: $\Delta_{\Phi}^R = \Delta_{\Phi}^0 + f(R)g_{\Phi}^2$

In boundary theory
bulk more involved

at $R=R_0$ universal U(1) charge

Prop.: For boundary spectra of superspheres:

$$\Delta_{\Phi}^R = \Delta_{\Phi}^0 + f(R)C_{\Phi}^{(2)}$$

quadratic
Casimir

Casimir evolution of the conformal weights Δ

[Bershadsky et al] [Quella,VS,Creutzig] [Candu, Saleur]

Example: mult. (x,η) $\Delta^R = \Delta^{R=\infty} + f(R) C_F = 0 + f(R) 1 = f(R)$

fund rep: $C_F = 1$

II.4 Spectrum of σ -Model on $S^3|2$

[Candu,Mitev,Quella,VS,Saleur]

$$Z^R(q; z_i) = \sum_{\Lambda} \psi_{\Lambda}(q) q^{\frac{1}{2}} \frac{1}{R^2} C^{(2)}(\Lambda) \chi_{\Lambda}(z_1, z_2, z_3)$$

Universal coefficient fct.

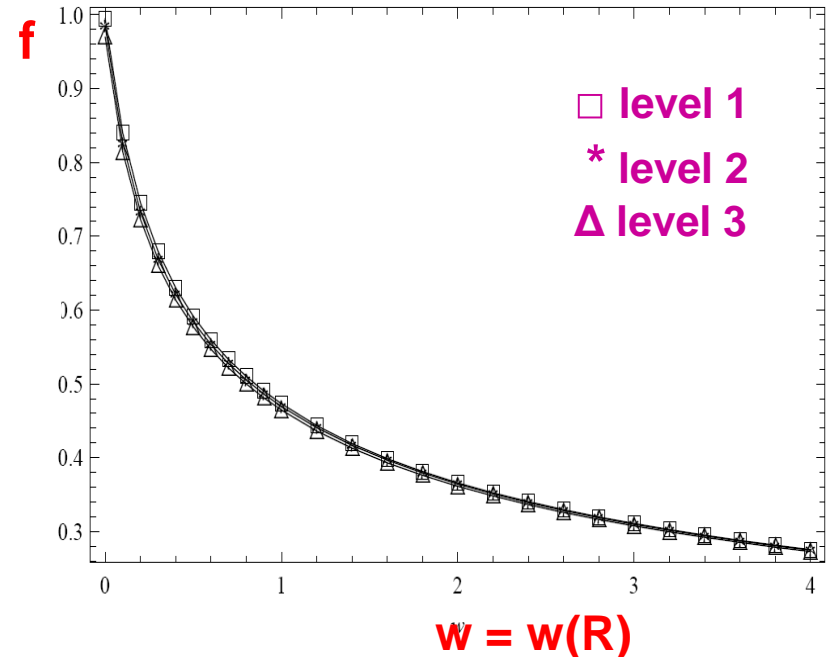
$f(R) = 1/2R^2$ (as for S^1)

← Cohomological reduction

$f(R) = \Delta^R(X)$

$H_Q(F)$ is fundamental of $\mathfrak{o}(2)$

$F = [1/2, 1/2, 1/2]$



II.4₁ Lattice Model for Supersphere

$$I = || \quad P = X \quad E = \times$$

[Read, Saleur]

[Candu, Saleur]

$$H_{\Delta} = -\frac{1+\Delta}{2} \sum_{j=1}^{L-1} (I + P_j) - \frac{1-\Delta}{2} \sum_{j=1}^{L-1} E_j$$

extension of XXZ to $S > 0$

acts on $V_F \times V_F \times \dots \times V_F$

Numerical studies \rightarrow not integrable: $S \neq 0, \Delta \neq 0$

Combinatorial PF agrees with $Z^R(S^{2S+1}|^{2S})$!

$$\Delta = \cos \pi/R^2$$

Remark: $R^2 = 1 \leftrightarrow \Delta = -1$ i.e. no intersections

intersections generate deformation to large volume

III Duality w. Gross-Neveu Model

Compactified_R free boson \leftrightarrow massless Thirring:

$$\mathcal{S}_{m=0}^{\text{Th}} \sim \int d^2 z \sum_{i=1}^2 \left[\psi_i \bar{\partial} \psi_i + cc + \overset{R^2 = 1+g^2}{g^2} (\psi_1 \bar{\psi}_1 + \psi_2 \bar{\psi}_2)^2 \right]$$

Claim: [Candu, Saleur] Sphere SM dual to GN:

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{S}^{\text{GN}} \sim \int d^2 z & \left[\sum_i \psi_i \bar{\partial} \psi_i + \sum_a \beta_a \bar{\partial} \gamma_a \right] + cc \\ & + g^2 \int d^2 z \left[\sum_i \psi_i \bar{\psi}_i + \sum_a (\gamma_a \bar{\beta}_a - \beta_a \bar{\gamma}_a) \right]^2 \sim \mathbf{J}_\mu \mathbf{J}^\mu \end{aligned}$$

$2S+2$ real fermions \rightarrow S $\beta\gamma$ -systems $c=-1$ $h_\psi = h_\beta = h_\gamma = 1/2$

$c=1$ CFT with affine $\text{osp}(2S+2|2S)$; $k=1$

rule: $x \rightarrow \psi$ $\eta \rightarrow \beta, \gamma$

[Mitev, Quella, VS]

III States in the free GN Model

Free GN has unique boundary state with $J = \bar{J}$

$$Z_{g^2=0}^{\text{GN}} = \frac{\theta_3(q^2, z_2)\theta_3(q^2, z_3) + \theta_2(q^2, z_2)\theta_2(q^2, z_3)}{\eta(q)\theta_4(q, z_1^{1/2})}$$

sum of osp(4|2) characters at k=1

$$\sim q^{-\frac{1}{24}} \left(1 + q^{\frac{1}{2}} \chi_f + q \chi_{\text{ad}} + \dots \right)$$

How are Z^{R} and Z^{GN} related ?

III Main Result: SS/GN Duality

[Mitev, Quella, VS]

$$Z_{R=1}^{\text{SS}}(z_i, q) = \sum_{\Lambda} \chi_{\Lambda}(z_i) q^{\frac{1}{2} C_{\Lambda}^{(2)}} \Psi_{\Lambda}(q) = Z_{g^2=0}^{\text{GN}}$$

Example: fundamental multiplet X

$$\Delta^{R=1}(X) = f(R)|_{(R=1)} = 1/2 = \Delta(\psi)$$

IV.1 The Chiral Field on $CP^{N-1|N}$

$$CP^{N-1|N} = \{(Z_\alpha) = (z_\alpha, \eta_\alpha) | \varrho^2 = \bar{Z}_\alpha Z^\alpha = 1\} / U(1)$$

$$\begin{matrix} \mathbf{z}_\alpha, \boldsymbol{\eta}_\alpha \rightarrow \\ \omega \mathbf{z}_\alpha, \omega \boldsymbol{\eta}_\alpha \end{matrix} = U(N|N) / U(N-1|N) \times U(1)$$

→ 2 parameter family of 2D CFTs; $c = -2$

$$\mathcal{S}_{CP} = \frac{R^2}{2\pi} \int_{\varrho^2=1} d^2 z \left(D \bar{Z}_\alpha \bar{D} Z^\alpha + D Z_\alpha \bar{D} \bar{Z}^\alpha \right)$$

a - non-dynamical gauge field

$$+ \frac{i\theta}{2\pi} \int d^2 z \left(D \bar{a} - \bar{D} a \right)$$

D = ∂ - ia

Non-abelian ext. of symplectic fermion **bc ghost**

IV.2 The Spectrum of $\mathbb{CP}^{1|2}$

For volume filling branes with $\mathcal{O}(k)$ line bundle

[Candu,Mitev,Quella,Saleur,VS]

Character $\chi_\Lambda = \chi_\Lambda(x,y,z)$ of
representation Λ of $u(2|2)$

Branching fcts

$$Z_{k_1, k_2}^t = q^{\frac{1}{2}\lambda_t(\lambda_t-1)} \sum \psi_\Lambda^K(q) q^{\frac{\lambda_t}{2|k_1-k_2|}} \delta^{C^{(2)}(\Lambda)} \chi_\Lambda^K(x, y, z)$$

$$\cos 2\pi \lambda_t(k_1, k_2) = \frac{(R^4 + \Theta_1 \Theta_2)^2 - (\Theta_1 - \Theta_2)^2 R^4}{(R^4 + \Theta_1 \Theta_2)^2 + (\Theta_1 - \Theta_2)^2 R^4}$$

$$t = R^2 + i\theta$$

$$\Theta_i = 2k_i + \theta/\pi$$

Conclusions and Open Problems

- Spectra of $S^{2S+1|2S}$ & $CP^{N-1|N}$ mod computed
→ **SS/GN duality!** correlators ? ws SUSY ?

- Is there WZ-point in mod space of $CP^{N-1|N}$?
e.g. $psu(N|N)$ at level $k=1$ $CP^{0|1} = PSU(1|1)_{k=1}$

Systematics of dualities? cp. “Phases of $N=2$..”

- Extension to non-compact cosets & $G/G^{\mathbb{Z}_4}$?
quasi-abelian evolution in AdS_3 [Quella, VS, Creutzig]
- Massive deformation of the SS/GN duality?
extend Sine-Gordon – massive Thirring duality

Some Speculation

Geometry (free Sigma Model) emerged from system of statistical mechanics (loop model)

Could AdS_5 geometry emerge in this way ?

**non-intersecting loop model involving
singleton representation of $\text{PSU}(2,2|4)$**

Could repackaging of non-intersecting loop model give free $\text{N}=4$ Yang-Mills ?