Holographic Euclidean thermal correlator

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The holographic prescription









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$\mathsf{AdS}/\mathsf{CFT}$ and GKPW relation

$\bullet \ \mathsf{AdS}/\mathsf{CFT} \ \mathsf{holography}$



• Gubser-Klebanov-Polyakov-Witten relation

$$\langle e^{\int \psi_0 O} \rangle_{CFT} = Z_{grav}(\psi_0) \sim e^{-I_{grav}(\psi_0)}$$
 (1)

 ψ_0 source for operators in the CFT, boundary condition for bulk fields in the gravity

Holographic correlator

$$\langle O(x_1) \dots O(x_n) \rangle_{CFT} \sim \frac{\delta^n I_{grav}}{\delta \psi_0(x_1) \dots \delta \psi_0(x_n)}$$
 (2)

The boundary value problem

- We study Euclidean thermal correlators of the stress tensor and U(1) current, holographically described by Einstein's gravity and Maxwell theory.
- The boundary value problem of asymptotically AdS Einstein space



 Near boundary solution is in one-to-one correspondence with the source and the one-point correlator that satisfies the holographic Ward identity (Commun. Math. Phys. 217 (2001) 595-622, Nucl. Phys. B 631 (2002) 159).

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The boundary value problem cont.

• For Einstein's gravity (stress tensor)

$$ds^{2} = \frac{dr^{2}}{r^{2}} + \frac{1}{r^{2}} \mathbf{g}_{ij}(r, x) dx^{i} dx^{j},$$

$$\mathbf{g}_{ij} = \mathbf{g}_{ij}^{(0)} + r^{2} \mathbf{g}_{ij}^{(2)} + r^{4} \mathbf{g}_{ij}^{(4)} + r^{4} \log r \mathbf{h}_{ij}^{(4)} + \dots,$$
(3)

$$\langle T_{ij} \rangle = \frac{4}{16\pi G} \left[\mathbf{g}_{ij}^{(4)} - \frac{1}{8} \mathbf{g}_{ij}^{(0)} (\mathbf{P}^{(0)2} - \mathbf{P}_{ij}^{(0)} \mathbf{P}^{(0)ij}) - \frac{1}{2} \mathbf{P}_{ik}^{(0)} \mathbf{P}_{j}^{(0)k} + \frac{1}{4} \mathbf{P}^{(0)} \mathbf{P}_{ij}^{(0)} \right]$$
(4)

• For Maxwell theory (U(1) current)

$$A = \mathbf{A}_{i}(r, x) dx^{i},$$

$$\mathbf{A}_{i} = \mathbf{A}_{i}^{(0)} + r^{2} \mathbf{A}_{i}^{(2)} + r^{2} \log r \mathbf{B}_{i}^{(2)} + \dots,$$

$$\langle J_{i} \rangle = -2 \mathbf{A}_{i}^{(2)}$$
(6)

• The global boundary value problem is much more complicated, e.g. for pure gravity (hep-th 0403087).

The Euclidean AdS_5 planar black hole

- \bullet Thermal states of ${\rm CFT}_4$ holographically described by ${\rm AdS}_5$ planar black hole
- \bullet The black hole is a solid cylinder $\mathbb{B}^2\times\mathbb{R}^3$ with the metric

$$ds^{2} = \frac{1}{\rho^{2}} \left[\left(1 - \frac{\rho^{4}}{\rho_{0}^{4}}\right)^{-1} d\rho^{2} + \left(1 - \frac{\rho^{4}}{\rho_{0}^{4}}\right) dt^{2} + d\vec{x}^{2} \right]$$
(7)

The conformal boundary is at $\rho = 0$, and the horizon is at $\rho = \rho_0$



• The period of Euclidean time t, namely the inverse temperature, is $\beta = \pi \rho_0$. Set $\rho_0 = 1$ for simplicity and recover ρ_0 in the final results.

Gauge fixing and boundary conditions

• Gauge fixing: set $A_{\rho} = 0$ in the region $0 \le \rho < 1$ (excluding the horizon) by a U(1) gauge transformation

$$A = \mathbf{A}_i dx^i \tag{8}$$

- Boundary condition at the horizon: the solution has a regular limit as $\rho\to 1$ after a gauge transformation parametrized by Λ
- Introduce the the "cylindrical radial coordinate" $\mathfrak{s} = \frac{1}{2} \cosh^{-1} \frac{1}{\rho^2}$

$$ds^2 \sim d\mathfrak{s}^2 + \mathfrak{s}^2 d(2t)^2 + d\vec{x}^2 \tag{9}$$

and the "Cartesian coordinates"

$$X = \mathfrak{s} \cos 2t$$

$$Y = \mathfrak{s} \sin 2t$$

$$\vec{x} = \vec{x}$$
(10)

which properly covers the horizon

Gauge fixing and boundary conditions cont.

• Components in the "Cartesian coordinates" are regular

$$\lim_{a \to 0} A + d\Lambda = A_X^*(\vec{x}) dX + A_Y^*(\vec{x}) dY + A_a^*(\vec{x}) dx^a$$
(11)

that is

$$\lim_{s \to 0} \partial_s \Lambda = A_X^*(\vec{x}) \cos 2t + A_Y^*(\vec{x}) \sin 2t \tag{12}$$

$$\lim_{s \to 0} \frac{\mathbf{A}_t + \partial_t \Lambda}{\mathfrak{s}} = -2A_X^*(\vec{x})\sin 2t + 2A_Y^*(\vec{x})\cos 2t \tag{13}$$

$$\lim_{s \to 0} \mathbf{A}_{a} + \partial_{a} \Lambda = A_{a}^{*}(\vec{x})$$
(14)

• Some simple analysis, we find

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$$\mathbf{A}_{a} \text{ regular as } \rho \to 1 \tag{15}$$

$$\int_{0}^{\pi} dt \mathbf{A}_{t}|_{\rho=1} = 0 \tag{16}$$

Turned-on source

$$\mathbf{A}_i|_{\rho=0} = \mathcal{A}_i \tag{17}$$

Equations of motion

• The Maxwell equation

$$d \star F = 0 \tag{18}$$

- Work with Fourier modes $\tilde{\mathbf{A}}_i$ with Matsubara frequency $\omega = 2m, m \in \mathbb{Z}$ and spatial momentum \vec{p} rotated to the x^1 direction for simplicity. Also use the substitution $z = \rho^2$
- Transverse channel

$$(\partial_z^2 - \frac{2z}{1-z^2}\partial_z - \frac{\omega^2 + p^2(1-z^2)}{4z(1-z^2)^2})\tilde{\mathbf{A}}_2 = 0$$
(19)

Longitudinal channel

$$\partial_z^2 \tilde{\mathbf{A}}_t - \frac{p^2}{4z(1-z^2)} \tilde{\mathbf{A}}_t + \frac{2mp}{4z(1-z^2)} \tilde{\mathbf{A}}_1 = 0$$
(20)

$$\partial_z^2 \tilde{\mathbf{A}}_1 - \frac{2z}{1-z^2} \partial_z \tilde{\mathbf{A}}_1 - \frac{4m^2}{4z(1-z^2)^2} \tilde{\mathbf{A}}_1 + \frac{2mp}{4z(1-z^2)^2} \tilde{\mathbf{A}}_t = 0$$
(21)

$$\frac{2m}{1-z^2}\partial_z\tilde{\mathbf{A}}_t + p\partial_z\tilde{\mathbf{A}}_1 = 0 \tag{22}$$

Transverse channel

• By the substitution $\tilde{A}_2(z) = (1 - z^2)^{-\frac{1}{2}}w(z)$, we get a Heun equation in the normal form (see (52)) for w(z)

$$(\partial_{z}^{2} + \frac{\frac{1}{4} - (\frac{1}{2})^{2}}{z^{2}} + \frac{\frac{1}{4} - (\frac{m}{2})^{2}}{(z-1)^{2}} + \frac{\frac{1}{4} - (\frac{m}{2}i)^{2}}{(z+1)^{2}} + \frac{p^{2} + 4m^{2} - 2}{8z(z-1)} - \frac{p^{2} + 4m^{2} + 2}{8z(z+1)})w(z) = 0,$$

$$t = -1, a_{0} = \frac{1}{2}, a_{1} = \frac{|m|}{2}, a_{t} = \frac{m}{2}i, a_{\infty} = \frac{1}{2}, u = -\frac{p^{2} + 4m^{2} + 2}{8}$$
(23)

• By the boundary condition \mathbf{A}_2 regular as $z \to 1$, we must have

$$ilde{\mathbf{A}}_2(z) \sim (1-z^2)^{-rac{1}{2}} w^{(1)}_+(z)$$
 (24)

• By the connection relation (56) and the boundary condition $\mathbf{A}_2|_{z=0} = \mathcal{A}_2$, we find

$$\tilde{\mathbf{A}}_{2}(\omega = 2m, p, z) = \tilde{\mathcal{A}}_{2}(\omega, p)(1 - z^{2})^{-\frac{1}{2}} \left[w_{-}^{(0)} + \frac{p^{2} + 4m^{2}}{4} (-2\psi(1) - 1 + \frac{1}{2} \sum_{\theta, \sigma = \pm} \psi(\theta \frac{m}{2} + \sigma a) - \frac{1}{2} \partial_{a_{0}}^{2} F - \frac{2}{p^{2} + 4m^{2}} (1 + 2\partial_{t} \partial_{a_{0}} F)) w_{+}^{(0)} \right]$$
(25)

Longitudinal channel

• Plugging (22) into $\partial_z (z(1-z^2)(20))$ to eliminate $ilde{A}_1$, we obtain

$$(\partial_z^2 + \frac{1 - 3z^2}{z(1 - z^2)}\partial_z - \frac{p^2(1 - z^2) + \omega^2}{4z(1 - z^2)^2})\partial_z \tilde{\mathbf{A}}_t = 0$$
(26)

• By the substitution $\partial_z \tilde{\mathbf{A}}_t = z^{-\frac{1}{2}} (1 - z^2)^{-\frac{1}{2}} w(z)$, it's transformed to

$$\left(\partial_z^2 + \frac{\frac{1}{4} - 0^2}{z^2} + \frac{\frac{1}{4} - (\frac{m}{2})^2}{(z-1)^2} + \frac{\frac{1}{4} - (\frac{m}{2}i)^2}{(z+1)^2} + \frac{p^2 + 4m^2 - 6}{8z(z-1)} - \frac{p^2 + 4m^2 + 6}{8z(z+1)}\right)w(z) = 0,$$

$$t = -1, a_0 = 0, a_1 = \frac{|m|}{2}, a_t = \frac{m}{2}i, a_\infty = 1, u = -\frac{p^2 + 4m^2 + 6}{8}$$
(27)

If m ≠ 0, by (22) we must have ∂_z Ã_t ~ z^{-1/2}(1 - z²)^{-1/2} w⁽¹⁾₊ for Ã₁ to be regular at z = 1. Using the connection relation (56) and evaluating (20) at z = 0, we find

$$z^{\frac{1}{2}}\sqrt{1-z^{2}}\partial_{z}\tilde{\mathbf{A}}_{t} = \frac{2mp\tilde{\mathcal{A}}_{1}-p^{2}\tilde{\mathcal{A}}_{t}}{4} \left[-w_{-}^{(0)}(z) + (2\psi(1)-\frac{1}{2}\sum_{\theta,\sigma=\pm}\psi(\frac{1}{2}+\theta\frac{m}{2}+\sigma a)+\frac{1}{2}\partial_{a_{0}}^{2}F)w_{+}^{(0)}\right]$$
(28)

Longitudinal channel cont.

• We integrate to obtain \tilde{A}_t and plug it into (22) to get \tilde{A}_1

$$\begin{split} \tilde{\mathbf{A}}_{t} &= \tilde{\mathcal{A}}_{t} + \frac{2mp\tilde{\mathcal{A}}_{1} - p^{2}\tilde{\mathcal{A}}_{t}}{4} \left[-(z\log z + \ldots) \right. \\ &+ (2\psi(1) + 1 - \frac{1}{2}\sum_{\theta,\sigma=\pm}\psi(\frac{1}{2} + \theta\frac{m}{2} + \sigma a) + \frac{1}{2}\partial_{a_{0}}^{2}F)(z + \ldots)) \right], \quad (29) \\ \tilde{\mathbf{A}}_{1} &= \tilde{\mathcal{A}}_{1}(1 + \ldots) + \frac{2m(p\tilde{\mathcal{A}}_{t} - 2m\tilde{\mathcal{A}}_{1})}{4} \\ &\times (2\psi(1) + 1 - \frac{1}{2}\sum_{\theta,\sigma=\pm}\psi(\frac{1}{2} + \theta\frac{m}{2} + \sigma a) + \frac{1}{2}\partial_{a_{0}}^{2}F)(z + \ldots) \quad (30) \end{split}$$

• With the boundary condition $\tilde{\mathbf{A}}_t(m=0)|_{z=1} = 0$ from (16), one can show the solution for m = 0 can be carried over from the case $m \neq 0$, with m set to zero in the expression

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Exact correlators for U(1) current

Recover the dependence on ρ₀, read off **A**_i⁽²⁾ from the bulk gauge field **A**_i as the coefficient of z¹, use the formula for one-point correlator (6) and rotate the spatial momentum to a general direction
We find

$$\begin{aligned} \langle \tilde{J}_{t}(\omega, p)\tilde{J}_{t}(-\omega, -p)\rangle &= \frac{p^{2}}{2}C_{2}(\omega, p) \\ \langle \tilde{J}_{t}(\omega, p)\tilde{J}_{b}(-\omega, -p)\rangle &= -\frac{\omega}{2}C_{2}(\omega, p)p_{b} \\ \langle \tilde{J}_{a}(\omega, p)\tilde{J}_{b}(-\omega, -p)\rangle &= \frac{p^{2}+\omega^{2}}{2}C_{1}(\omega, p)(\delta_{ab}-\frac{p_{a}p_{b}}{p^{2}}) + \frac{\omega^{2}}{2}C_{2}(\omega, p)\frac{p_{a}p_{b}}{p^{2}}, \\ C_{1}(\omega &= \frac{2m}{\rho_{0}}, p) = (2\psi(1)+1-\frac{1}{2}\sum_{\theta,\sigma=\pm}\psi(\theta\frac{m}{2}+\sigma a) \\ &+ \frac{1}{2}\partial_{a_{0}}^{2}F + \frac{2}{\rho_{0}^{2}p^{2}+4m^{2}}(1+\partial_{t}\partial_{a_{0}}F))|_{t=-1,a_{0}=\frac{1}{2},a_{1}=\frac{|m|}{2},a_{t}=\frac{m}{2}i,a_{\infty}=\frac{1}{2},u=-\frac{\rho_{0}^{2}p^{2}+4m^{2}+2}{8} \\ C_{2}(\omega &= \frac{2m}{\rho_{0}}, p) = (2\psi(1)+1-\frac{1}{2}\sum_{\theta,\sigma=\pm}\psi(\frac{1}{2}+\theta\frac{m}{2}+\sigma a) \end{aligned}$$

 $+\frac{1}{2}\partial_{a_{0}}^{2}F)\Big|_{t=-1,a_{0}=0,a_{1}=\frac{|m|}{2},a_{t}=\frac{m}{2}i,a_{\infty}=1,u=-\frac{\rho_{0}^{2}\rho^{2}+4m^{2}+6}{8}} \square \models \langle B \models \langle$

Gauge fixing and boundary conditions

• Gauge fixing: make the solid cylinder coordinates ρ, t, \vec{x} the Fefferman-Graham coordinates of the perturbed bulk metric in the region $0 \le \rho < 1$ by a diffeomorphism

$$\delta ds^2 = \delta \mathbf{g}_{ij} dx^i dx^j \tag{32}$$

- $\bullet\,$ Boundary condition at the horizon: the solution has a regular limit as $\rho\to 1$ after a diffeomorphism parametrized by V
- Some simple analysis, we find

$$\delta \mathbf{g}_{ab} \text{ regular as } \rho \to 1 \tag{33}$$
$$\int_0^{\pi} dt \delta \mathbf{g}_{ta}|_{\rho=1} = 0 \tag{34}$$

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Stress tensor

Equations of motion

• The linearized Einstein equation

$$\frac{1}{2} (\nabla^{\lambda} \nabla_{\mu} \delta g_{\lambda\nu} + \nabla^{\lambda} \nabla_{\nu} \delta g_{\lambda\mu} - \nabla^{\lambda} \nabla_{\lambda} \delta g_{\mu\nu} - \nabla_{\mu} \nabla_{\nu} \delta g_{\lambda}^{\lambda}) + 4 \delta g_{\mu\nu} = 0 \quad (35)$$

• We work in Fourier modes and rotate the spatial momentum to the x^1 direction. And for simplicity, we use the variable $\mathbf{h}_{ij} = \rho^2 \delta \mathbf{g}_{ij}$ • Scalar channel

$$\partial_{z}^{2}\tilde{\mathbf{h}}_{23} - \frac{1+z^{2}}{z(1-z^{2})}\partial_{z}\tilde{\mathbf{h}}_{23} - \frac{p^{2}(1-z^{2})+\omega^{2}}{4z(1-z^{2})^{2}}\tilde{\mathbf{h}}_{23} = 0$$
(36)

Shear channel

$$\partial_z^2 \tilde{\mathbf{h}}_{t2} - \frac{1}{z} \partial_z \tilde{\mathbf{h}}_{t2} - \frac{p^2}{4z(1-z^2)} \tilde{\mathbf{h}}_{t2} + \frac{2mp}{4z(1-z^2)} \tilde{\mathbf{h}}_{12} = 0$$
(37)

$$\partial_{z}^{2}\tilde{\mathbf{h}}_{12} - \frac{1+z^{2}}{z(1-z^{2})}\partial_{z}\tilde{\mathbf{h}}_{12} - \frac{4m^{2}}{4z(1-z^{2})^{2}}\tilde{\mathbf{h}}_{12} + \frac{2mp}{4z(1-z^{2})^{2}}\tilde{\mathbf{h}}_{t2} = 0 \quad (38)$$

$$\frac{2m}{1-z^2}\partial_z \tilde{\mathbf{h}}_{t2} + p\partial_z \tilde{\mathbf{h}}_{12} = 0$$
(39)

Equations of motion cont.

Sound channel

$$\partial_{z}^{2}\tilde{\mathbf{h}}_{tt} - \frac{3 - 5z^{2}}{2z(1 - z^{2})}\partial_{z}\tilde{\mathbf{h}}_{tt} - \frac{1 + z^{2}}{2z}\partial_{z}(\tilde{\mathbf{h}}_{11} + \tilde{\mathbf{h}}_{22} + \tilde{\mathbf{h}}_{33}) + \frac{-4z + 12z^{3} - p^{2}(1 - z^{2})}{4z(1 - z^{2})^{2}}\tilde{\mathbf{h}}_{tt} - \frac{4m^{2}}{4z(1 - z^{2})}(\tilde{\mathbf{h}}_{11} + \tilde{\mathbf{h}}_{22} + \tilde{\mathbf{h}}_{33}) + \frac{2mp}{2z(1 - z^{2})}\tilde{\mathbf{h}}_{t1} = 0$$

$$\tag{40}$$

$$\partial_{z}^{2}\tilde{h}_{11} - \frac{3+z^{2}}{2z(1-z^{2})}\partial_{z}\tilde{h}_{11} - \frac{1}{2z(1-z^{2})}\partial_{z}\tilde{h}_{tt} - \frac{1}{2z}\partial_{z}(\tilde{h}_{22} + \tilde{h}_{33})$$

$$4m^{2} - m^{2} + 4z - m^{2} - m^{2} + 4z - m^{2} - m^{$$

$$-\frac{4m^2}{4z(1-z^2)^2}\tilde{\mathbf{h}}_{11} - \frac{\rho^2 + 4z}{4z(1-z^2)^2}\tilde{\mathbf{h}}_{tt} - \frac{\rho^2}{4z(1-z^2)}(\tilde{\mathbf{h}}_{22} + \tilde{\mathbf{h}}_{33}) + \frac{2m\rho}{2z(1-z^2)^2}\tilde{\mathbf{h}}_{t1} = 0$$
(41)

$$\partial_{z}^{2}(\tilde{h}_{22} + \tilde{h}_{33}) - \frac{2}{z(1-z^{2})}\partial_{z}(\tilde{h}_{22} + \tilde{h}_{33}) - \frac{1}{z(1-z^{2})}\partial_{z}\tilde{h}_{tt} - \frac{1}{z}\partial_{z}\tilde{h}_{11}$$

$$-\frac{4m^2+p^2(1-z^2)}{4z(1-z^2)^2}(\tilde{\mathbf{h}}_{22}+\tilde{\mathbf{h}}_{33})-\frac{2}{(1-z^2)^2}\tilde{\mathbf{h}}_{tt}=0$$
(42)

$$\partial_z^2 \tilde{\mathbf{h}}_{t1} - \frac{1}{z} \partial_z \tilde{\mathbf{h}}_{t1} - \frac{2m\rho}{4z(1-z^2)} (\tilde{\mathbf{h}}_{22} + \tilde{\mathbf{h}}_{33}) = 0$$
(43)

$$\partial_{z}^{2}(\tilde{\mathbf{h}}_{11}+\tilde{\mathbf{h}}_{22}+\tilde{\mathbf{h}}_{33}) + \frac{1}{1-z^{2}}\partial_{z}^{2}\tilde{\mathbf{h}}_{tt} - \frac{z}{1-z^{2}}\partial_{z}(\tilde{\mathbf{h}}_{11}+\tilde{\mathbf{h}}_{22}+\tilde{\mathbf{h}}_{33}) + \frac{z}{(1-z^{2})^{2}}\partial_{z}\tilde{\mathbf{h}}_{tt} + \frac{2}{(1-z^{2})^{3}}\tilde{\mathbf{h}}_{tt} = 0 \quad (44)$$

$$2m\partial_{z}(\tilde{\mathbf{h}}_{11} + \tilde{\mathbf{h}}_{22} + \tilde{\mathbf{h}}_{33}) + \frac{2mz}{1 - z^{2}}\partial_{z}(\tilde{\mathbf{h}}_{11} + \tilde{\mathbf{h}}_{22} + \tilde{\mathbf{h}}_{33}) - \rho\partial_{z}\tilde{\mathbf{h}}_{t1} - \frac{2\rho z}{1 - z^{2}}\tilde{\mathbf{h}}_{t1} = 0$$
(45)

$$\rho \partial_{z} (\tilde{\mathbf{h}}_{22} + \tilde{\mathbf{h}}_{33}) + \frac{\rho}{1 - z^{2}} \partial_{z} \tilde{\mathbf{h}}_{tt} - \frac{2m}{1 - z^{2}} \partial_{z} \tilde{\mathbf{h}}_{t1} + \frac{\rho z}{(1 - z^{2})^{2}} \tilde{\mathbf{h}}_{tt} = 0$$
(46)

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Exact correlators for stress tensor

• In the scalar and shear channel we find

$$\langle \tilde{T}_{23}(\omega = \frac{2m}{\rho_0}, p) \tilde{T}_{23}(-\omega, -p) \rangle = \frac{1}{4\pi G} \frac{(p^2 + \omega^2)^2}{32} C_3(\omega = \frac{2m}{\rho_0}, p)$$

$$\langle \tilde{T}_{t2}(\omega = \frac{2m}{\rho_0}, p) \tilde{T}_{t2}(-\omega, -p) \rangle = \frac{1}{4\pi G} \frac{p^2 + \omega^2}{32} p^2 C_4(\omega = \frac{2m}{\rho_0}, p)$$

$$\langle \tilde{T}_{t2}(\omega = \frac{2m}{\rho_0}, p) \tilde{T}_{12}(-\omega, -p) \rangle = -\frac{1}{4\pi G} \frac{p^2 + \omega^2}{32} \omega p C_4(\omega = \frac{2m}{\rho_0}, p)$$

$$\langle \tilde{T}_{12}(\omega = \frac{2m}{\rho_0}, p) \tilde{T}_{12}(-\omega, -p) \rangle = \frac{1}{4\pi G} \frac{p^2 + \omega^2}{32} \omega^2 C_4(\omega = \frac{2m}{\rho_0}, p) ,$$

$$\langle \tilde{T}_{12}(\omega = \frac{2m}{\rho_0}, p) \tilde{T}_{12}(-\omega, -p) \rangle = \frac{1}{4\pi G} \frac{p^2 + \omega^2}{32} \omega^2 C_4(\omega = \frac{2m}{\rho_0}, p) ,$$

$$C_3(\omega = \frac{2m}{\rho_0}, p) = [2\psi(1) + \frac{5}{2} - \frac{1}{2} \sum_{\theta, \sigma = \pm} \psi(-\frac{1}{2} + \theta \frac{m}{2} + \sigma a)$$

$$+ \frac{1}{2} \partial_{a_0}^2 F - \frac{16}{(\rho_0^2 p^2 + 4m^2)^2} (4a^2 - 2a^2m^2 + \frac{1}{4}m^4 + 4(\partial_t F)^2 + (-8a^2 + 2m^2)\partial_t F$$

$$- 4\partial_t F \partial_t \partial_{a_0} F + (-2 + 4a^2 - m^2)\partial_t \partial_{a_0} F)]|_{t=-1,a_0=1,a_1=1} \frac{|m|}{2}, a_t = \frac{m}{2}i, a_\infty = 0, u = -\frac{\rho_0^2 p^2 + 4m^2 - 2}{8}$$

$$C_4(\omega = \frac{2m}{\rho_0}, p) = (2\psi(1) + 1 - \frac{1}{2} \sum_{\theta, \sigma = \pm} \psi(\theta \frac{m}{2} + \sigma a)$$

$$+ \frac{1}{2} \partial_{a_0}^2 F + \frac{2}{\rho_0^2 p^2 + 4m^2} (1 + 2\partial_t \partial_{a_0} F))|_{t=-1,a_0=\frac{1}{2},a_1=\frac{|m|}{2}, a_t = \frac{m}{2}i, a_\infty = \frac{3}{2}, u = -\frac{\rho_0^2 p^2 + 4m^2 + 10}{8}$$

$$(47)$$

The unsolved sound channel

• We can reduce the sound channel to first-order equations of variables $\tilde{\mathbf{h}}_{tt}, \tilde{\mathbf{h}}_{11}, \frac{\tilde{\mathbf{h}}_{22} + \tilde{\mathbf{h}}_{33}}{2}, \tilde{\mathbf{h}}_{t1}, \partial_z \tilde{\mathbf{h}}_{t1}$, and by the substitution

$$\begin{pmatrix} \tilde{\mathbf{h}}_{tt} \\ \tilde{\mathbf{h}}_{11} \\ \frac{\tilde{\mathbf{h}}_{22} + \tilde{\mathbf{h}}_{33}}{2} \\ \tilde{\mathbf{h}}_{t1} \\ \partial_z \tilde{\mathbf{h}}_{t1} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -\frac{1}{3}(1-z^2)^2 & \frac{2}{3}z(1-z^2) & 0 & 0 \\ -z^2 & 1-z^2 & \frac{2}{3}z & 0 & 0 \\ \frac{1}{2}z^2 & 0 & -\frac{1}{3}z & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1-z^2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & z \end{pmatrix} H$$
(48)

we can transform the equations into a Fuchsian system of normal form

$$\partial_z H = \left(\frac{M_0}{z} + \frac{M_1}{z-1} + \frac{M_{-1}}{z+1}\right)H$$
(49)

 We don't know connection relation of local solutions of this Fuchsian system.

Fuchsian ODE and local monodromy basis

- An ODE is called Fuchsian if the coefficients are rational functions and all singularities are regular.
- Eigenvectors of the local monodromy

$$w_k^{(a)} = (z-a)^{\rho_k} \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} c_i (z-a)^i$$
 (50)

The characteristic exponent ρ_k captures the eigenvalue and it's computed as the root of the indicial equation.

- All eigenvalues are distinct (exponents don't differ by an integer), eigenvectors span the space of local solutions.
- Repeated eigenvalues (some exponents differ by an integer), we may need generalized eigenvector (with logarithm) to span the space of local solutions

$$w_k^{(a)} = (z-a)^{\rho_k} \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} c_i (z-a)^i + \log(z-a) w_{k'}^{(a)}$$
(51)

Second order Fuchsian ODE

- Label the two characteristic exponents as ρ^+, ρ^- , with $\operatorname{Re}\rho_+ \geq \operatorname{Re}\rho_-$. There is always a series solution (with no logarithm) $w_+^{(a)}$ with the exponent ρ^+ .
- If two exponents differ by an integer, the other solution w^(a)₋ may contain a logarithm. There is also no canonical choice of w^(a)₋ to form a basis since we can add any constant multiple of w^(a)₊ to w^(a)₋. We choose the convention that the coefficient of the power (z a)^{ρ+} is zero in w^(a)₋.

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The Heun equation

- The Heun equation is the second-order Fuchsian ODE with four regular singularities. Fuchs relation $\sum_{a,\sigma} \rho_{\sigma}^{(a)} = 1$
- Möbius transformation to map the singularities to $0, 1, \infty, t$. "Gauge transformation" to shift the exponents at the singularities. We have the normal form of Heun equation

$$\left(\partial_{z}^{2} + \frac{\frac{1}{4} - a_{0}^{2}}{z^{2}} + \frac{\frac{1}{4} - a_{1}^{2}}{(z-1)^{2}} + \frac{\frac{1}{4} - a_{t}^{2}}{(z-t)^{2}} - \frac{\frac{1}{2} - a_{1}^{2} - a_{t}^{2} - a_{0}^{2} + a_{\infty}^{2} + u}{z(z-1)} + \frac{u}{z(z-t)}\right)w(z) = 0$$
(52)



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The connection relation of Heun equation

- Heun equation \leftrightarrow semiclassical Liouville CFT \leftrightarrow SUSY gauge theory
- The connection relation of the local solutions in the generic case (exponents do not differ by an integer) (Commun. Math. Phys. 397 (2023) 635-727)

$$w_{\theta}^{(1)}(z) = \sum_{\theta'=\pm} \mathcal{M}_{\theta\theta'}(a_1, a_0; a) e^{\left(\frac{\theta}{2}\partial_{a_1} - \frac{\theta'}{2}\partial_{a_0}\right)F\left(\frac{a_t}{a_{\infty}} a_{a_0}^{a_1}; \frac{1}{t}\right)} w_{\theta'}^{(0)}(z),$$

$$\mathcal{M}_{\theta\theta'}(a_1, a_0; a) = \frac{\Gamma(-2\theta'a_0)\Gamma(1 + 2\theta a_1)}{\Gamma(\frac{1}{2} + \theta a_1 - \theta'a_0 + a)\Gamma(\frac{1}{2} + \theta a_1 - \theta'a_0 - a)}$$
(53)

and a is to be implicitly determined from the relation

$$u = -\frac{1}{4} - a^2 + a_t^2 + a_0^2 + t\partial_t F$$
(54)

• *F* is the Nekrasov-Shatashvili function, defined as power series in $\frac{1}{t}$, with combinatorially defined rational functions in other parameters as the coefficients, e.g. see (SciPost Phys. 14, 116 (2023)).

The connection relation for degenerate local monodromy

- In our application, masslessness of bulk fields leads to degenerate local monodromy of the Heun equation at z = 0, that is, two exponents differ by an integer $a_0 = \frac{N}{2}$, $N \in \mathbb{N}$.
- A specific local solution around z = 0 (as long as its definition doesn't depend on the local monodromy) depends continuously on all the parameters including a₀. The connection relation in the degenerate case can be obtained by taking limit a₀ → ^N/₂ of w⁽¹⁾₊ (while fixing t, a₁, a_t, a_∞, a).
- Series coefficients of w⁽⁰⁾₋ and M₊₊(a₁, a₀; a) take a₀ = N/2 as a simple pole, the limit ⁰/₀ becomes a differentiation with respect to a₀.

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• For *a*₀ = 0

$$w_{+}^{(1)} = \frac{\Gamma(1+2a_{1})}{\Gamma(\frac{1}{2}+a_{1}+a)\Gamma(\frac{1}{2}+a_{1}-a)}e^{\frac{1}{2}\partial_{a_{1}}F}$$

$$\left[-w_{-}^{(0)}+(2\psi(1)-\psi(\frac{1}{2}+a_{1}+a)-\psi(\frac{1}{2}+a_{1}-a)+\frac{1}{2}\partial_{a_{0}}^{2}F\right)w_{+}^{(0)}\right] (55)$$

• For
$$a_0 = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$w_{+}^{(1)} = \frac{\Gamma(1+2a_{1})}{\Gamma(a_{1}+a)\Gamma(a_{1}-a)} e^{(\frac{1}{2}\partial_{a_{1}}-\frac{1}{2}\partial_{a_{0}})F} \left[\frac{t}{-\frac{t}{2}+t(a_{0}^{2}+a_{1}^{2}+a_{t}^{2}-a_{\infty}^{2})+(1-t)u}w_{-}^{(0)}\right]$$
$$+ \left(-2\psi(1)-1+\frac{1}{2}\psi(1+a_{1}+a)+\frac{1}{2}\psi(1+a_{1}-a)+\frac{1}{2}\psi(a_{1}+a)+\frac{1}{2}\psi(a_{1}-a)\right)$$
$$- \frac{1}{2}\partial_{a_{0}}^{2}F - \frac{t+t(1-t)\partial_{t}\partial_{a_{0}}F}{2(-\frac{t}{2}+t(a_{0}^{2}+a_{1}^{2}+a_{t}^{2}-a_{\infty}^{2})+(1-t)u}\right)w_{+}^{(0)} \right]$$
(56)

• For higher N, we can compute with Mathematica

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Discussion

- An illustrative example of holographic Euclidean correlators
- The technical approach as compared to the gauge-invariants method in Phys. Rev. D 72, 086009 (2005), for example in the longitudinal channel

$$E_{L} = p\tilde{\mathbf{A}}_{t} - \omega\tilde{\mathbf{A}}_{1},$$

$$\partial_{z}^{2}E_{L} - \frac{2\omega^{2}z}{(1-z^{2})(\omega^{2}+p^{2}(1-z^{2}))}\partial_{z}E_{L} - \frac{\omega^{2}+p^{2}(1-z^{2})}{4z(1-z^{2})^{2}}E_{L} = 0$$
(57)

- Retarded thermal Green's function \rightarrow linear response to perturbation \rightarrow (higher-order) holographic transport coefficients
- Holographic OPE (need to expand in the inverse temperature β) J.
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Thank you!