

HOMOTOPY OPERATORS AND IDENTITY-BASED SOLUTIONS IN SUPERSTRING FIELD THEORY

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- Identity-based solution in cubic superstring field theory
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A CLASS OF IDENTITY-BASED SOLUTIONS IN SFT

- Takahashi-Tanimoto's identity-based solutions (2002)
- Marginal solution $\Psi = -V_L^a(F_a)I - \frac{1}{4}g^{ab}C_L(F_a F_b)I$
 $\sim c\partial X^\mu$
 - extension to marginal solutions in super SFT $\Phi = -\tilde{V}_L^a(F_a)I$
[Kishimoto-Takahashi (2005)] $\sim c\xi e^{-\phi}\psi^\mu$
- Scalar solution $\Psi_h = Q_L(e^h - 1)I - C_L((\partial h)^2 e^h)I$
 - a candidate for tachyon vacuum
 - extension to solution in super SFT ? [This talk]

THE SCALAR SOLUTION IN BOSONIC SFT

- Structure of the solution:

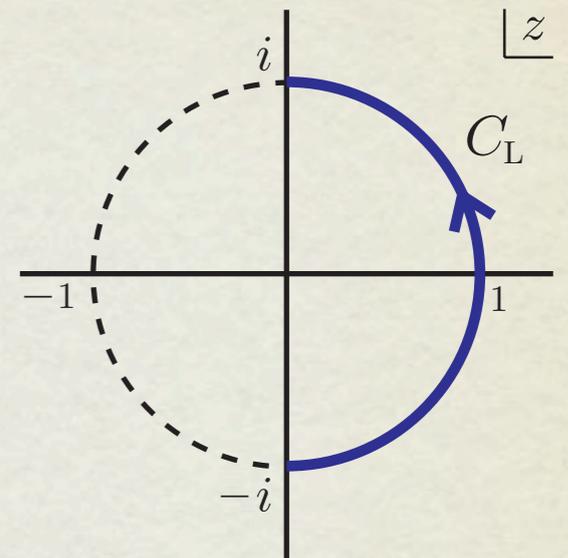
$$\Psi_h = Q_L(e^h - 1)I - C_L((\partial h)^2 e^h)I$$

identity state

$$h(z) = h(-1/z), \quad h(\pm i) = 0$$

$$Q_L(f) = \int_{C_L} \frac{dz}{2\pi i} f(z) j_B(z), \quad C_L(f) = \int_{C_L} \frac{dz}{2\pi i} f(z) c(z).$$

$$j_B = cT^m + bc\partial c + \frac{3}{2}\partial^2 c \quad \text{:BRST current (primary)}$$



OPERATOR PRODUCT EXPANSION IN BOSONIC STRING

- The following OPEs were essential to prove the equation of motion: $Q_B \Psi_h + \Psi_h * \Psi_h = 0$

$$j_B(y)j_B(z) \sim \frac{-4}{(y-z)^3} c \partial^3 c(z) + \frac{-2}{(y-z)^2} c \partial^2 c(z)$$

$$j_B(y)c(z) \sim \frac{1}{y-z} c \partial c(z)$$

j_B, c form a closed algebra.

- The identity state I is an identity element of the star product.

OPERATOR PRODUCT EXPANSIONS IN RNS SUPERSTRING

- BRST current and c -ghost and...

$$j_B = cT^m + \gamma G^m + bc\partial c + \frac{1}{4}c\partial\beta\gamma - \frac{3}{4}c\beta\partial\gamma + \frac{3}{4}\partial c\beta\gamma - b\gamma^2 + \frac{3}{4}\partial^2 c$$

:primary, dim. 1, s.t., $\{Q_B, b(z)\} = T(z)$

$$\theta \equiv c\beta\gamma - \partial c \quad \text{:primary, dim. 0}$$

$$j_B(y) j_B(z) \sim \frac{1}{(y-z)^3} \left(-\frac{17}{8}c\partial c(z) + 3\gamma^2(z) \right) + \frac{1}{(y-z)^2} \frac{1}{2} \partial \left(-\frac{17}{8}c\partial c(z) + 3\gamma^2(z) \right) \\ + \frac{1}{y-z} \partial \left(\frac{1}{4}c\gamma G^m(z) + \frac{1}{2}bc\gamma^2(z) + \frac{1}{4}\beta\gamma^3(z) \right)$$

$$j_B(y) \theta(z) \sim \frac{1}{(y-z)^2} \left(\frac{1}{4}c\partial c(z) - \gamma^2(z) \right) + \frac{1}{y-z} \left(-c\gamma G^m(z) - 2bc\gamma^2(z) - \beta\gamma^3(z) \right)$$

$$j_B(y) c(z) \sim \frac{1}{y-z} (c\partial c(z) - \gamma^2(z))$$

$$\theta(y) \theta(z) \sim \frac{1}{y-z} c\partial c(z)$$

ANTI-COMMUTATION RELATIONS FROM OPE

- Mode expansions:

$$j_B(z) = \sum_n Q_n z^{-n-1}, \quad c(z) = \sum_n c_n z^{-n+1}, \quad \theta(z) = \sum_n \theta_n z^{-n}$$

- Anti-commutation relations can be derived from OPE:

$$\{Q_n, Q_m\} = nm \left(-\frac{7}{16} \{\theta_n, \theta_m\} + \frac{3}{2} \{Q_B, c_{n+m}\} \right) + \frac{n+m}{4} \{Q_B, \theta_{n+m}\},$$

$$\{Q_n, c_m\} = \{Q_B, c_{n+m}\},$$

$$\{Q_n, \theta_m\} = \{Q_B, \theta_{n+m}\} + n \left(-\frac{3}{4} \{\theta_n, \theta_m\} + \{Q_B, c_{n+m}\} \right).$$

Note: $Q_0 = Q_B$

ANTI-COMMUTATION RELATIONS INCLUDING HALF INTEGRATION

- Half-integration with a weighting function:

$$Q_L(f) = \int_{C_L} \frac{dz}{2\pi i} f(z) j_B(z), \quad C_L(g) = \int_{C_L} \frac{dz}{2\pi i} g(z) c(z), \quad \Theta_L(h) = \int_{C_L} \frac{dz}{2\pi i} h(z) \theta(z)$$

- Anti-commutation relations from mode expansions:

$$\{Q_B, Q_L(f)\} = \frac{1}{4} \{Q_B, \Theta_L(\partial f)\},$$

$$\{Q_L(f), Q_L(f)\} = -\frac{7}{16} \{\Theta_L(\partial f), \Theta_L(\partial f)\} + \frac{3}{2} \{Q_B, C_L((\partial f)^2)\} + \frac{1}{2} \{Q_B, \Theta_L(f\partial f)\},$$

$$\{Q_L(f), C_L(g)\} = \{Q_B, C_L(fg)\},$$

$$\{Q_L(f), \Theta_L(h)\} = \{Q_B, \Theta_L(fh)\} - \frac{3}{4} \{\Theta_L(\partial f), \Theta_L(h)\} + \{Q_B, C_L((\partial f)h)\}$$

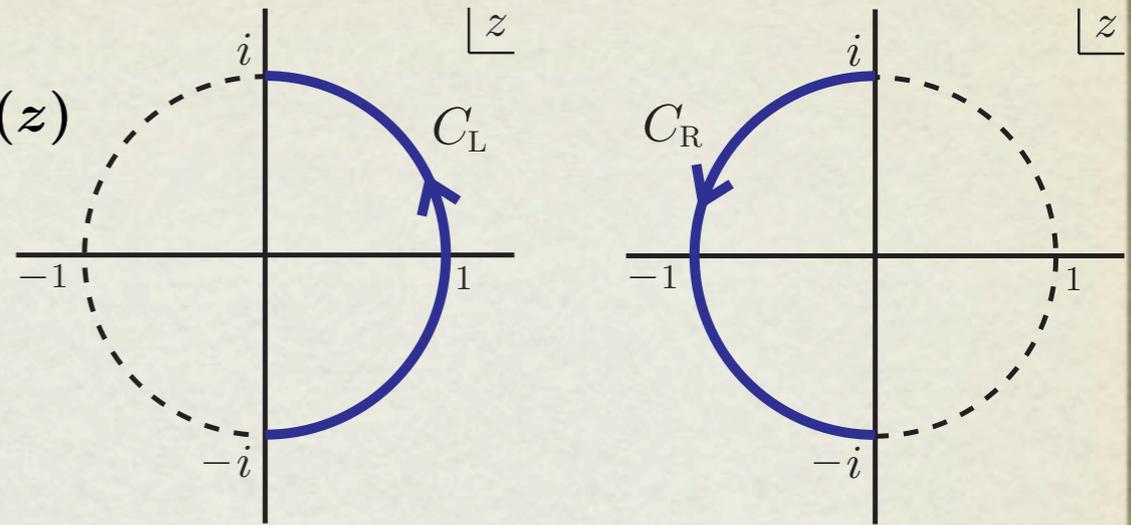
$f(\pm i) = 0$ for partial integrations

HALF INTEGRATIONS AND THE STAR PRODUCT

- For a primary field σ with dim. h , half integrations:

$$\Sigma_L(F) = \int_{C_L} \frac{dz}{2\pi i} F(z) \sigma(z), \quad \Sigma_R(F) = \int_{C_R} \frac{dz}{2\pi i} F(z) \sigma(z)$$

$$F(-1/z) = (z^2)^{1-h} F(z)$$



$$(\Sigma_R(F)B_1) * B_2 = -(-1)^{|\sigma||B_1|} B_1 * (\Sigma_L(F)B_2)$$

- For identity state, we have simple formulas:

$$\Sigma_R(F)I = -\Sigma_L(F)I,$$

$$(\Sigma_L(F)I) * B = \Sigma_L(F)B,$$

$$B * (\Sigma_L(F)I) = -(-1)^{|\sigma||B|} \Sigma_R(F)B.$$

ANSATZ FOR STRING FIELD

- Identity-based string field (ghost number 1, picture number 0)

$$A_c = Q_L(f)I + C_L(g)I + \Theta_L(h)I$$

$$f(-1/z) = f(z), \quad g(-1/z) = z^4 g(z), \quad h(-1/z) = z^2 h(z), \quad f(\pm i) = 0$$

- Calculation using the previous formulas:

$$Q_B A_c + A_c * A_c$$

$$= \left[\left\{ Q_B, C_L \left((1+f)g + \frac{3}{4}(\partial f)^2 + h\partial f \right) \right\} + \left\{ Q_B, \Theta_L \left((1+f) \left(h + \frac{1}{4}\partial f \right) \right) \right\} \right. \\ \left. - \frac{7}{32} \{ \Theta_L(\partial f), \Theta_L(\partial f) \} + \frac{1}{2} \{ \Theta_L(h), \Theta_L(h) \} - \frac{3}{4} \{ \Theta_L(\partial f), \Theta_L(h) \} \right] I.$$

- The above vanishes if we choose the functions as follows:

$$f = e^\lambda - 1, \quad g = -\frac{1}{2}(\partial\lambda)^2 e^\lambda, \quad h = -\frac{1}{4}(\partial\lambda)e^\lambda \quad \lambda(-1/z) = \lambda(z), \quad \lambda(\pm i) = 0.$$

IDENTITY-BASED SOLUTION TO MODIFIED CUBIC SSFT

- Equations of motion of modified cubic SSFT:

$$Y_{-2}(Q_B A + A * A) + Y \Psi * \Psi = 0,$$

$$Y(Q_B \Psi + A * \Psi + \Psi * A) = 0.$$

- A class of identity-based solution in the NS sector (as an extension of Takahashi-Tanimoto's scalar solution to SSFT):

$$A_c = Q_L(e^\lambda - 1)I + C_L\left(-\frac{1}{2}(\partial\lambda)^2 e^\lambda\right)I + \Theta_L\left(-\frac{1}{4}\partial e^\lambda\right)I$$

$$\lambda(-1/z) = \lambda(z), \quad \lambda(\pm i) = 0.$$



$$Q_B A_c + A_c * A_c = 0$$

BRST OPERATOR AT THE SOLUTION

- Re-expansion of the action of SSFT around the solution:

$$\begin{aligned}
 S'[A, \Psi] &\equiv S[A + A_c, \Psi] - S[A_c, 0] \\
 &= \frac{1}{2} \langle A, Y_{-2} Q' A \rangle + \frac{1}{3} \langle A, Y_{-2} A * A \rangle + \frac{1}{2} \langle \Psi, Y Q' \Psi \rangle + \langle A, Y \Psi * \Psi \rangle
 \end{aligned}$$

- BRST operator at the solution can be expressed as:

$$\begin{aligned}
 Q' &= Q_B + [A_c, \cdot]_* \\
 &= Q_B + (Q_L(f) + C_L(g) + \Theta_L(h)) + (Q_R(f) + C_R(g) + \Theta_R(h)) \\
 &= Q(e^\lambda) + C \left(-\frac{1}{2} (\partial\lambda)^2 e^\lambda \right) + \Theta \left(-\frac{1}{4} \partial e^\lambda \right)
 \end{aligned}$$

$$Q(f) = \oint \frac{dz}{2\pi i} f(z) j_B(z), \quad C(g) = \oint \frac{dz}{2\pi i} g(z) c(z), \quad \Theta(h) = \oint \frac{dz}{2\pi i} h(z) \theta(z)$$

TOWARD HOMOTOPY OPERATOR FOR Q'

- OPE with b -ghost:

$$j_B(y)b(z) \sim \frac{3/2}{(y-z)^3} + \frac{1}{(y-z)^2} \left(-bc(z) - \frac{3}{4}\beta\gamma(z) \right) + \frac{1}{y-z}T(z),$$

$$c(y)b(z) \sim \frac{1}{y-z}, \quad \theta(y)b(z) \sim \frac{1}{(y-z)^2} + \frac{1}{y-z}\beta\gamma(z)$$

- Anti-commutation relation from the OPEs:

$$\{Q', b(z)\} = \frac{1}{2}(\partial^2 \lambda(z))e^{\lambda(z)} + (\partial e^{\lambda(z)})j_{gh}(z) + e^{\lambda(z)}T(z).$$

$$j_{gh} = -bc - \beta\gamma$$

- It becomes a c-number at a second order zero $z = z_0$ of $e^{\lambda(z)}$

$$\{Q', b(z_0)\} = \frac{1}{2}(\partial^2 \lambda(z))e^{\lambda(z)}|_{z=z_0}$$

HOMOTOPY OPERATOR FOR Q' AT A PARTICULAR FUNCTION

- Example of the function: $\lambda(z) = h_a^l(z)$

$$h_a^l(z) = \log \left(1 - \frac{a}{2} (-1)^l (z^l - (-1)^l z^{-l})^2 \right), \quad (a \geq -1/2; l = 1, 2, 3, \dots).$$

:the same functions with the bosonic case

- $e^{h_a^l(z)}$ has second order zeros z_k ($z_k^{2l} = -(-1)^l$) only for $a = -\frac{1}{2}$

- Homotopy operator \hat{A} for $\lambda(z) = h_{a=-1/2}^l(z)$

$$\{Q', \hat{A}\} = 1, \quad \hat{A}^2 = 0.$$

$$\hat{A} = \sum_{k=1}^{2l} a_k l^{-2} z_k^2 b(z_k), \quad \sum_{k=1}^{2l} a_k = 1.$$

:the same form with the bosonic case

SIMILARITY TRANSFORMATION OF BRST OPERATOR

- It turns out that Q' can be rewritten as a similarity transform using the ghost number current: $j_{\text{gh}} = -bc - \beta\gamma$

$$Q' = e^{q(\lambda)} Q_B e^{-q(\lambda)}$$

$$= Q(e^\lambda) + C \left(-\frac{1}{2} (\partial\lambda)^2 e^\lambda \right) + \Theta \left(-\frac{1}{4} \partial e^\lambda \right).$$

$$q(\lambda) = \oint \frac{dz}{2\pi i} \lambda(z) j_{\text{gh}}(z)$$

- Unlike the bosonic case, $e^{\pm q(\lambda)}$ is not singular even for $\lambda = h_{a=-\frac{1}{2}}^l$

$$j_{\text{gh}}(y) j_{\text{gh}}(z) \quad (y \rightarrow z) \text{ :regular for superstring}$$

- Nevertheless, there exists a homotopy operator for $\lambda = h_{a=-\frac{1}{2}}^l$

It implies:

$$Q'\psi = 0 \quad \Leftrightarrow \quad \psi = Q'(\hat{A}\psi)$$

Vanishing cohomology for all ghost number sectors!

COMMENTS ON COHOMOLOGY OF THE BRST OPERATOR

- At least formally, we have

$$\begin{aligned}
 Q_B \phi = 0 & \Leftrightarrow Q'(e^{q(h^l_{-1/2})} \phi) = 0 \\
 & \Leftrightarrow e^{q(h^l_{-1/2})} \phi = Q'(\hat{A} e^{q(h^l_{-1/2})} \phi)
 \end{aligned}$$

- Using the explicit form of the nontrivial part φ of Q_B -cohomology in the NS and R sector, we find:

$$\phi = \varphi + Q_B \chi$$



$$e^{q(h^l_{-1/2})} \phi = U 2^{-2g} \varphi + Q'(e^{q(h^l_{-1/2})} \chi)$$

g : ghost number

$$U = \exp \left(- \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^{n(l+1)}}{n} q_{-2nl} \right) \qquad j_{\text{gh}}(z) = \sum_n q_n z^{-n-1}$$

ZERO IN THE FOCK SPACE BUT NONZERO IN A LARGER SPACE

- In a similar way to the bosonic case,

$$[q_n, b_m] = -b_{n+m} \quad U^{-1}b(z)U = e^{-\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^{n(l+1)}}{n} z^{-2nl}} b(z)$$



$$\hat{A}U2^{-2g}|\varphi\rangle = \exp\left(-\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n}\right) U\hat{A}2^{-2g}|\varphi\rangle = 0$$

- It implies that all coefficients of $\hat{A}U2^{-2g}\varphi$ vanish in the Fock space.
- However, we should have $e^{q(h^l_{-1/2})}\varphi = Q'(\hat{A}U2^{-2g}\varphi) \neq 0$
- Nontrivial part of Q_B -cohomology becomes Q' -exact outside the Fock space by $e^{q(h^l_{-1/2})}$ as far as we respect the homotopy relation:

$$\{Q', \hat{A}\} = 1$$

PURE GAUGE FORM OF THE SOLUTION

- In a similar way to the bosonic case, we have

$$A_c = \exp(q_L(\lambda)I)Q_B \exp(-q_L(\lambda)I)$$

$$q_L(\lambda) = \int_{C_L} \frac{dz}{2\pi i} \lambda(z) j_{\text{gh}}(z)$$

- Unlike the bosonic case, $\exp(\pm q_L(\lambda)I)$ is not singular even for $\lambda = h^l_{a=-1/2}$ (?)

- Formally, it corresponds to a pure gauge solution to Berkovits' WZW-type SSFT: $\Phi_c = -q_L(\lambda)I = \eta_0(-\xi_0 q_L(\lambda)I)$

$$\eta_0(e^{-\Phi_c} Q_B e^{\Phi_c}) = 0$$

SUMMARY

- A type of identity-based solution to modified cubic SSFT was constructed, which is a straightforward extension of Takahashi-Tanimoto's scalar solution in bosonic SFT.
- A homotopy operator for the BRST operator Q' at the solution was constructed in the same way as the bosonic case.
- Q' can be expressed as a similarity transformation from the conventional BRST operator, even in the case that there exists a homotopy operator.
- Nontrivial part of the conventional BRST cohomology is mapped to Q' -exact form outside the Fock space by a similarity transformation.

DISCUSSION

- Vanishing cohomology at the solution might imply that the D-brane vanishes although it is in the GSO(+) sector.(?)
[cf. Erler(2007)]
- Evaluation of vacuum energy or gauge invariant overlap with appropriate regularization is desired.
- Why does there exist a homotopy operator for (at least apparently) pure gauge solution ?
- More rigorous statement of $\hat{A}U2^{-2g}\varphi \simeq 0$ and $e^{q(h^l_{-1/2})}\varphi = Q'(\hat{A}U2^{-2g}\varphi) \neq 0$
- Or the relation $\{Q', \hat{A}\} = 1$ might be broken?
 $(Q'\hat{A} + \hat{A}Q')U|\cdot\rangle \neq Q'(\hat{A}U|\cdot\rangle) + \hat{A}(Q'U|\cdot\rangle) \quad (?)$

CALCULATION OF THE STAR PRODUCT FOR THE ANSATZ

- Using star product formulas and anti-commutation relations,

$$\begin{aligned}
 A_c * A_c &= \left[\frac{1}{2} \{Q_L(f), Q_L(f)\} + \frac{1}{2} \{C_L(g), C_L(g)\} + \frac{1}{2} \{\Theta_L(h), \Theta_L(h)\} \right. \\
 &\quad \left. + \{Q_L(f), C_L(g)\} + \{Q_L(f), \Theta_L(h)\} + \{C_L(g), \Theta_L(h)\} \right] I \\
 &= \left[-\frac{7}{32} \{\Theta_L(\partial f), \Theta_L(\partial f)\} + \frac{3}{4} \{Q_B, C_L((\partial f)^2)\} + \frac{1}{4} \{Q_B, \Theta_L(f\partial f)\} + \frac{1}{2} \{\Theta_L(h), \Theta_L(h)\} \right. \\
 &\quad \left. + \{Q_B, C_L(fg)\} + \{Q_B, \Theta_L(fh)\} - \frac{3}{4} \{\Theta_L(\partial f), \Theta_L(h)\} + \{Q_B, C_L((\partial f)h)\} \right] I
 \end{aligned}$$

- BRST multiplication noting $Q_B I = 0$:

$$\begin{aligned}
 Q_B A_c &= [\{Q_B, Q_L(f)\} + \{Q_B, C_L(g)\} + \{Q_B, \Theta_L(h)\}] I \\
 &= \left[\frac{1}{4} \{Q_B, \Theta_L(\partial f)\} + \{Q_B, C_L(g)\} + \{Q_B, \Theta_L(h)\} \right] I
 \end{aligned}$$

MODIFIED CUBIC SUPER STRING FIELD THEORY

[Preitschopf-Thorn-Yost, Arefeva-Medvedev-Zubarev(1990)]

- Action:

$$S[A, \Psi] = \frac{1}{2} \langle A, Y_{-2} Q_B A \rangle + \frac{1}{3} \langle A, Y_{-2} A * A \rangle + \frac{1}{2} \langle \Psi, Y Q_B \Psi \rangle + \langle A, Y \Psi * \Psi \rangle$$

String field

A :NS sector, 0-picture, ghost number 1, Grassmann odd

Ψ :R sector, (-1/2)-picture, ghost number 1/2, Grassmann odd

Inverse picture changing operators

$Y = Y(i) = c(i) \delta'(\gamma(i))$:picture number -1

$Y_{-2} = Y(i)Y(-i)$:picture number -2

- A part of (finite) gauge transformations:

$$A' = e^{-\Lambda} A e^{\Lambda} + e^{-\Lambda} Q_B e^{\Lambda}, \quad \Psi' = e^{-\Lambda} \Psi e^{\Lambda}$$

BRST COHOMOLOGY IN 0-PICTURE

- BRST cohomology for $p^+ \neq 0$ [cf. Kohriki-Kunitomo-Murata(2010)]

$$Q_B \phi = 0 \Leftrightarrow$$

$$\phi = \mathcal{P}|\text{tach}\rangle_0 + \mathcal{P}' \left(c_0|\text{tach}\rangle_0 + \frac{\sqrt{2}}{\sqrt{\alpha'k^+}} \gamma_{-\frac{1}{2}} |0, k_1\rangle_0 \right) + Q_B \chi$$

$$|\text{tach}\rangle_0 = \left(\psi_{-\frac{1}{2}}^- - \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\alpha'k^+}} b_{-1} \gamma_{\frac{1}{2}} + \frac{1}{4\alpha'(k^+)^2} \psi_{-\frac{1}{2}}^+ \right) |0, k_1\rangle_0, \quad \text{:onshell tachyon in 0-picture}$$

$$|0, k_1\rangle_0 = |k_1\rangle_{\text{mat}} \otimes c_1|0\rangle_{bc} \otimes |P=0\rangle_{\beta\gamma}, \quad k_1^+ = k^+, \quad k_1^- = \frac{1}{4\alpha'k^+}, \quad k^i = 0.$$

$\mathcal{P}, \mathcal{P}'$:DDF operators in the matter sector

Note: $|0, k_1\rangle_{-1} = \delta(\gamma_{\frac{1}{2}}) |0, k_1\rangle_0$:onshell tachyon in (-1)-picture

$$|\text{tach}\rangle_0 = X(0) \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\alpha'k^+}} |0, k_1\rangle_{-1}$$

BRST COHOMOLOGY IN 0-PICTURE WITH ZERO MOMENTUM

- BRST cohomology for $p^\mu = 0$ can be obtained by expanding the BRST operator with respect to $\gamma_{\frac{1}{2}}$ and $\beta_{-\frac{1}{2}}$.

$$Q_B \phi = 0 \quad \Leftrightarrow$$

$$\begin{aligned} \phi = & \mathcal{C}^{(0)} b_{-1} |\downarrow\rangle_0 + \mathcal{C}_\mu^{(1)} (\alpha_{-1}^\mu + \psi_{-\frac{1}{2}}^\mu b_{-1} \gamma_{\frac{1}{2}}) |\downarrow\rangle_0 + \mathcal{C}_\mu^{(2)} (\alpha_{-1}^\mu c_0 + 2\psi_{-\frac{1}{2}}^\mu \gamma_{-\frac{1}{2}} + \psi_{-\frac{1}{2}}^\mu b_{-1} c_0 \gamma_{\frac{1}{2}}) |\downarrow\rangle_0 \\ & + \mathcal{C}^{(3)} (2\gamma_{-\frac{1}{2}}^2 + c_{-1} c_0 + \gamma_{-\frac{1}{2}} \gamma_{\frac{1}{2}} b_{-1} c_0) |\downarrow\rangle_0 + Q_B \chi \end{aligned}$$

$$|\downarrow\rangle_0 = |0\rangle_{\text{mat}} \otimes c_1 |0\rangle_{bc} \otimes |P=0\rangle_{\beta\gamma} \quad \mathcal{C}^{(0)}, \mathcal{C}_\mu^{(1)}, \mathcal{C}_\mu^{(2)}, \mathcal{C}^{(3)} : \text{constants}$$

- It turned out that they can be also obtained by $X(0)$ from the result of (-1)-picture, up to BRST-exact term.

$$Q_B \phi = 0 \quad \Leftrightarrow$$

$$\phi = \mathcal{C}^{(0)} \beta_{-\frac{1}{2}} |\downarrow\rangle_{-1} + \mathcal{C}_\mu^{(1)} \psi_{-\frac{1}{2}}^\mu |\downarrow\rangle_{-1} + \mathcal{C}_\mu^{(2)} \psi_{-\frac{1}{2}}^\mu c_0 |\downarrow\rangle_{-1} + \mathcal{C}^{(3)} \gamma_{-\frac{1}{2}} c_0 |\downarrow\rangle_{-1} + Q_B \chi$$

BRST COHOMOLOGY IN $(-1/2)$ -PICTURE

[Henneaux(1987),Lian-Zuckerman(1989)]

- BRST cohomology for $p^+ \neq 0$

$$Q_B \phi = 0 \quad \Leftrightarrow \quad \phi = |\mathcal{P}\rangle_{-\frac{1}{2}} + \left(c_0 + \gamma_0 \frac{\psi_0^+}{\sqrt{2\alpha' p^+}} \right) |\mathcal{P}'\rangle_{-\frac{1}{2}} + Q_B \chi$$

$|\mathcal{P}\rangle_{-\frac{1}{2}}, |\mathcal{P}'\rangle_{-\frac{1}{2}}$:DDF states in the matter sector

- BRST cohomology for $p^\mu = 0$

$$Q_B \phi = 0 \quad \Leftrightarrow \quad \phi = A_0^a |S_a\rangle_{-\frac{1}{2}} + A_1^a \gamma_0 |S_a\rangle_{-\frac{1}{2}} + Q_B \chi$$

$|S_a\rangle_{-\frac{1}{2}}$:ground states

A_0^a, A_1^a :constants with spacetime spinor index

ON THE NONTRIVIAL PART OF THE BRST COHOMOLOGY

- Both NS and R sectors, nontrivial part φ of Q_B -cohomology satisfies: $q_n |\varphi\rangle = 0 \quad (n > 1)$

$$q(h^l_{-1/2}) = q^{(+)}(h^l_{-1/2}) + q^{(0)}(h^l_{-1/2}) + q^{(-)}(h^l_{-1/2})$$

$$q^{(0)}(h^l_{-1/2}) = -q_0 \log 4, \quad q^{(\pm)}(h^l_{-1/2}) = - \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^{n(l+1)}}{n} q_{\pm 2nl}$$

$$[q_n, q_m] = 0$$



$$e^{q(h^l_{-1/2})} |\varphi\rangle = e^{q^{(-)}(h^l_{-1/2})} 2^{-2q_0} |\varphi\rangle = U 2^{-2g} |\varphi\rangle$$