

Mixed boundary conditions and Celestial holography

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Conformal field theory, $(d-2)$ -dim. \leftrightarrow
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- types of flat space holography:
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 - ▶ Codimension-2 Wedge holography



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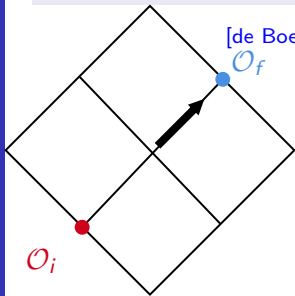
Bottom up statement of Celestial holography

(scattering amplitude in boost basis)=(correlation function)

$$\left(\prod_{l=1,\dots,n} \int d\omega_l \omega_l^{\Delta_l-1} \right) \mathcal{A}_{1\dots n}(p_1, \dots) = \langle \mathcal{O}_f^{\Delta_1}(z_1, \bar{z}_1) \dots \mathcal{O}_i^{\Delta_n} \rangle,$$

$$p = \omega(1 + z\bar{z}, 1 - z\bar{z}, z + \bar{z}, i(z - \bar{z})).$$

[de Boer, Solodukhin(2003)], [Pasterski, Shao, Strominger(2017)]



- Celestial CFT operators $\mathcal{O}_f(\mathcal{O}_i)$ live on the future(past) null infinity of the lightcone
- Δ_l : boost eigenvalue in the bulk
 \Rightarrow conformal dim. of Celestial CFT



Asymptotic symmetries in Celestial holography

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Why is Celestial holography important?

- Because it extracts physical "**Asymptotic symmetries**" in a 4D asymptotic flat space.
- What is "asymptotic symmetry"?

$$\dots \frac{\text{physical gauge symmetry}}{\text{trivial symmetry at infinity}} \quad i.e. \quad Q \neq 0$$

(equivalent to Weinberg's soft theorem)

e.g.1 BMS symmetry [[Bondi,van der Burg,Metzner,Sachs\(1962\)](#)]

e.g.2 large U(1) gauge symmetry [[He et al.\(2014\)](#)]



Large U(1) gauge symmetry

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e.g.2 large U(1) gauge symmetry

\Leftrightarrow in Celestial CFT: $\exists \mathcal{J}_{w(\bar{w})}$:current s.t.

$$\langle \mathcal{J}_z(z, \bar{z}) O_{\Delta_1}(w_1, \bar{w}_1) \dots \rangle = \sum_i \frac{Q_i}{\bar{z} - \bar{w}_i} \langle O_{\Delta_i}(w_1, \bar{w}_1) \dots \rangle$$

- \mathcal{S} corresponds to the Goldstone boson of the large U(1) gauge symmetry,

$$[\mathcal{J}_{\bar{w}}(w, \bar{w}), \partial_z \mathcal{S}(z, \bar{z})] = 2\pi i \delta^{(2)}(w - z).$$

They are called "**soft operators**".



What to do:

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1. **Review double-trace deformation in AdS/CFT**
2. **See double-trace-like deformation in Celestial holography**
 - 2.1 scalar field
 - 2.2 soft operators of gauge field



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AdS/CFT correspondence

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Statement of $\text{AdS}_{d+1}/\text{CFT}_d$ correspondence (GKPW dictionary)

[Gubser, Klebanov, Polyakov (1998)]

(partition function with bdy cond.) = (correlation function)

$$Z_{\text{grav}}[\phi(x)|_{\partial M} = \phi_0(x)] = \left\langle \exp - \int d^d x \phi_0(x) \mathcal{O}(x) \right\rangle \quad (1)$$

(\mathcal{O} : Single-trace operator)

- (scalar field's mass in the bulk) \leftrightarrow (conformal dim.)

$$m^2 = \Delta(\Delta - d) \Rightarrow \Delta_{\pm} = \frac{d}{2} \pm \sqrt{\frac{d^2}{4} + m^2}$$



Double-trace deformation in AdS/CFT

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■ CFT side

-Relevant deformation

$$\delta S = \frac{f}{2} \int d^d z \mathcal{O}_{\Delta-}^2 \text{ parametrized by } f$$

→ *RG flow from UV to IR*

↕ equivalent [Berkooz, Sevrin, Shomer (2003)]

■ Bulk AdS

-Mixing Neumann/Dirichlet boundary conditions

$$\gamma \phi(x, \epsilon) + \hat{n} \cdot \partial \phi(x, \epsilon) = 0, \quad (2)$$

$$\gamma = -\Delta_- - f \epsilon^{2\nu} \left(2\pi^{d/2} \frac{\Gamma(\Delta_- - \frac{d}{2} + 1)}{\Gamma(\Delta_-)} \right)$$

[Hartman, Rastelli (2007)]

δS works as a IR regulator

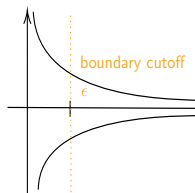
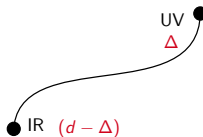




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Reformulation of Celestial CFT

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Reformulate Celestial CFT in the path integral way

- Setup: Massless scalar field on 4D Minkowski
- Coherent quantization is useful
 - coherent quantization
 - : Take annihilation(creation) eigenstates as a basis

Relation

For asymptotic operators,

[Donnay,Pasterski,Puhm(2020)]

$$\int d\omega \, \omega^{\Delta-1} a^{(\dagger)}(p) = O_{\Delta}^{f(i)}(w, \bar{w}) \quad (3)$$



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- Bulk free scalar lagrangian \leftrightarrow Celestial CFT lagrangian:

$$S_{\text{bulk}} = \int d^4x \partial_\mu \phi(x) \partial^\mu \phi(x) \quad (4)$$

$$\leftrightarrow S_{\text{CCFT}} = - \int d^2w \int_{1-i\infty}^{1+i\infty} \frac{d\Delta}{2\pi} \alpha_f^{\Delta*} \bar{\alpha}_i^{\Delta}, \quad (5)$$

$\alpha_f, \bar{\alpha}_i$ are the eigenvalues of $O_{f(i)}$ respectively.

!! Unlike AdS/CFT, conformal dim. can take any $1 + i\mathbb{R}!!$



Double-trace-like deformation of Celestial CFT

Celestial CFT side

- we define **double-trace-like deformation** as adding $\frac{f}{2} \int |O_\Delta|^2$ to the Celestial CFT correlation function
- lagrangian:

$$iL_{\text{CCFT}} = \int d^2w \int \frac{d\Delta}{2\pi i} \left[-\bar{\alpha}_i^\Delta \alpha_f^{\Delta*} + \frac{f_i}{2} |\bar{\alpha}_i|^2 + \frac{f_f}{2} |\alpha_f|^2 \right] \quad (6)$$

- two-point function

$$\langle \mathcal{O}_f^{\Delta_f} \mathcal{O}_i^{\Delta_i} \rangle = 2\pi i \frac{1}{1 - f_i f_f} \delta(\Delta_i - \Delta_f^*) \delta^{(2)}(w_i - w_f) \quad (7)$$

→ *works as a regulator*

(The role of double-trace-like deformation as an RG-flow is more obvious in Wedge holography.)



Double-trace-like deformation of Celestial CFT

The double-trace-like deformation equivalents to...

Bulk side

- boundary condition

$$z_i = f_i \bar{z}_i, \quad \bar{z}_f = f_f z_f \quad (8)$$

(z, \bar{z} are the eigenvalues of annihilation/creation operators)

... It means that we expand the def. of asymptotic states beyond Fock space(squeezed state).

$$|in\rangle = \exp \frac{f}{2} \int \frac{d^3 \mathbf{k}}{2k^0} (a^\dagger(\mathbf{k}))^2 |\mathbf{k}_1, \dots\rangle$$



Double-trace like deformation in gauge theory

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Large $U(1)$ gauge theory

- The soft current $J_{w(\bar{w})} = \partial_{w(\bar{w})} \mathcal{J}$ are conformal dim. $\Delta = 1$ Celestial operators.

bulk side

Adding

$$|in\rangle = \exp \frac{f_i}{2} \int \frac{d^3 \mathbf{k}}{2k^0} |\partial S(\mathbf{k})|^2 |\mathbf{k}_1, \dots\rangle$$

for the past,

$$\langle out| = \langle \mathbf{k}_1, \dots | \exp \frac{f_f}{2} \int \frac{d^3 \mathbf{k}}{2k^0} |\mathcal{J}_w(\mathbf{k})|^2$$

for the future



Double-trace like deformation in gauge theory

- For $U(1)$ gauge theory,

Double-trace-like deformed Lagrangian:

$$L_{\text{soft}} = \int \frac{d\Delta}{2\pi i} d^2w \left[-\partial\mathcal{S}\bar{\partial}\mathcal{J} - \partial\mathcal{J}\bar{\partial}\mathcal{S} + f_J\partial\mathcal{J}\bar{\partial}\mathcal{J} + f_S\partial\mathcal{S}\bar{\partial}\mathcal{S} \right] \quad (9)$$

This yields

$$\begin{aligned} \langle \partial\mathcal{S}\bar{\partial}\mathcal{S} \rangle &= 0 & \langle \partial\mathcal{S}\bar{\partial}\mathcal{S} \rangle &= -\pi i f_J \delta^{(2)}(w - w') \\ \langle \partial\mathcal{J}\bar{\partial}\mathcal{S} \rangle &= -\pi i \delta^{(2)}(w - w') & \langle \partial\mathcal{J}\bar{\partial}\mathcal{S} \rangle &= -\pi i \delta^{(2)}(w - w') \\ \langle \partial\mathcal{J}\bar{\partial}\mathcal{J} \rangle &= -\pi i f_S \delta^{(2)}(w - w'). & \langle \partial\mathcal{J}\bar{\partial}\mathcal{J} \rangle &= 0. \end{aligned}$$

→ anomalous dimension?



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- ▶ We have seen double-trace-like deformation in Celestial holography.
 1. scalar field
 - ... double-trace-like deformation in CFT corresponds to mixing boundary condition in the bulk.
 - It also works as a regulator.
 2. soft operators of gauge field



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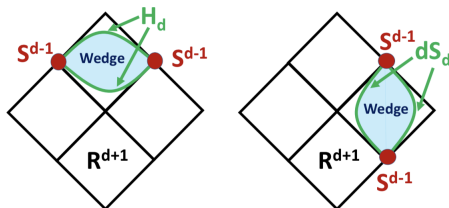
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Wedge holography(review)



Penrose diagram of codim.-2 Wedge holography [Ogawa et al.(2022)]

- codimension-2 Wedge holography:
 - 4-dim. classical gravity
 - in the "wedge" region surrounded by EoW
 - =3-dim. quantum gravity on the EoW[Akal et al.(2020)]
 - =2-dim. CFT on the edge of the EoW

In the Minkowski space, we have two kinds of EoWs(end of the world) branes : (H_d, dS_d) .



Reformulation of wedge holography

Appendix

Wedge
holography

How to define "wedge operator" O_W^Δ ?
(From now on we restrict on AdS region)

POSTULATIONS

- 1 shifting $\Delta \rightarrow \Delta + \epsilon$ (=dimensional regularization)
- 2 extrapolate dictionary;

$$\lim_{\rho \rightarrow \infty} \Psi(X) = \int \frac{d\Delta}{2\pi i} e^{(\Delta-2)\rho} O_W^\Delta$$

! We cannot use naive GKPW dictionary except of IR fixed point!

We derive two-point function by just substituting the extrapolate dictionary for the action.

(according with AdS/CFT case: [\[Terashima\(2018\)\]](#).)



double-trace-like deformation of Wedge holography

Appendix

Wedge
holography

Bulk side

Mixing Neumann/Dirichlet bdy cond;

$$[\gamma\Psi + \partial_\rho|_{\rho=R}\Psi](\eta, \rho = R \gg 1, \Omega) = 0 \quad (10)$$

CFT side

- two-point function

$$\langle O_W^\Delta O_W^{\Delta'} \rangle^{-1} \sim \quad (11)$$

$$(\gamma - 1)\delta(\Omega - \Omega')e^{2\epsilon R} + (\gamma - \Delta)e^{-2(\Delta-1)R}\frac{\Delta - 1}{4\pi}\left(\frac{2}{1 - \cos\Theta}\right)^\Delta$$

Taking $\gamma = 1 \Leftrightarrow$ holographic renormalization, we have

$$\langle O_W^\Delta O_W^{\Delta'} \rangle^{-1} \sim e^{-2(\Delta-1)R}\frac{\Delta - 1}{4\pi}\left(\frac{2}{1 - \cos\Theta}\right)^\Delta \quad (12)$$

Celestial:UV fixed point \leftrightarrow Wedge:IR fixed point?