

Unifying correlators in $\text{AdS}_5 \times S^5$ supergravity

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We'll study 4-point correlators in $N=4$ SYM at strong 't Hooft coupling

- Nonplanar effects ($1/N_c$) in a theory with *nice* planar limit. What remains of integrability?
- How does 10D supergravity on $AdS_5 \times S^5$ emerge from CFT?!?
Get concrete data about string theory at low energies
- Eventual comparison with integrability results

General CFT framework:

I. Spectrum:

-Protected single-traces:

$$\mathcal{O}^p \simeq \text{Tr}[\phi^{i_1} \dots \phi^{i_p}] \quad \Delta = p \geq 2,$$

~~-Unprotected single-traces~~ $\Delta \sim \lambda^{1/4} \gg 1$ **heavy**

-Multi traces $\mathcal{O}^p \partial^n \mathcal{O}^q \quad \Delta \approx p + q + n + \gamma/N_c^2$

This talk's focus: **composites of various single-traces**

$p=2$: stress tensor

$p>2$: S_5 graviton spherical harmonics

General CFT framework:

2. Operator Product Expansion (OPE)

$$\langle \mathcal{O}^p \mathcal{O}^q \mathcal{O}^r \mathcal{O}^s \rangle = \sum \text{[Tree Diagram]} + \text{[Tree Diagram with Multi-trace]} \sim 1/N_c^2 \text{ tree-level}$$
$$+ \text{[Loop Diagram]} \sim 1/N_c^4 \text{ one-loop}$$
$$+ \dots$$

The diagram shows the Operator Product Expansion (OPE) of a four-point correlation function. The first term is a sum over tree-level diagrams, represented by a four-point vertex connected by a single line to another four-point vertex, with the label $\mathcal{O}^{p'}$ above the internal line. The second term is a tree-level diagram with a double line connecting the two vertices, labeled $[\mathcal{O}^{p'} \mathcal{O}^{p''}]_{n,\ell}$ above the double line. The third term is a one-loop diagram, represented by a four-point vertex connected by a double line to another four-point vertex, with the label $\sim 1/N_c^4$ below the double line. The fourth term is an ellipsis indicating higher-order terms.

Multi-traces encode supergravity loop expansion

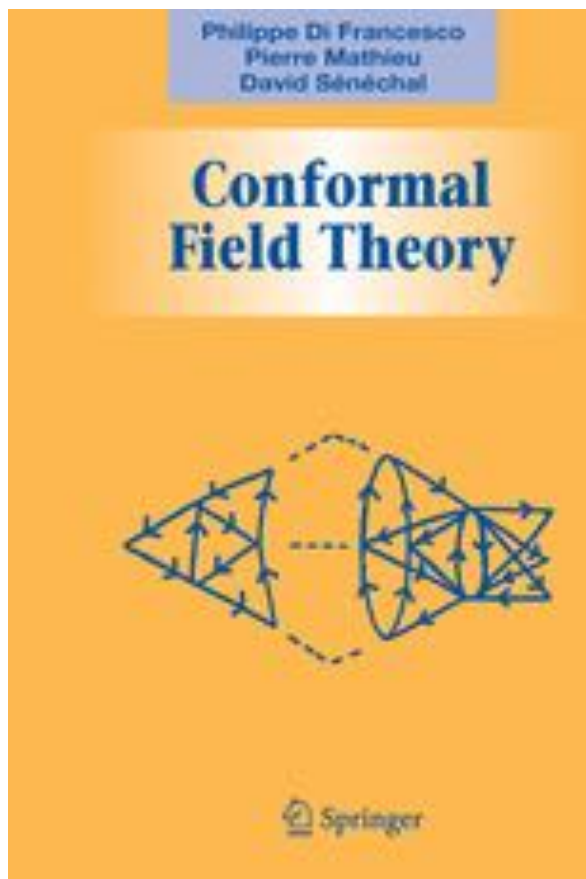
Main tool: recall Kramers-Kronig relation

$$f(E) = f(\infty) + \int \frac{dE' \text{ Disc } f(E')}{2\pi(E' - E - i0)}$$

Ex: $\text{Re}(f) \sim$ phase velocity of light
 $\text{Im}(f) \sim$ absorption by medium

Determines propagation from absorption

consequence of **causality** (analyticity at complex energies)



+



=CFT dispersion relation
[SCH '17]

Reconstructs double-traces from single traces:

$$\text{coeff.} \left[\text{double-trace diagram} \right] = \sum_{\text{finite}} \int \left[\text{single-trace diagram 1} + \text{single-trace diagram 2} \right]$$

‘absorptive part’
~ single traces

Part I

- Lorentzian inversion formula
- Superconformal Ward identities & OPE
- Bootstrapping double-trace dimensions

Part II

An unexpected $SO(1,2)$ symmetry

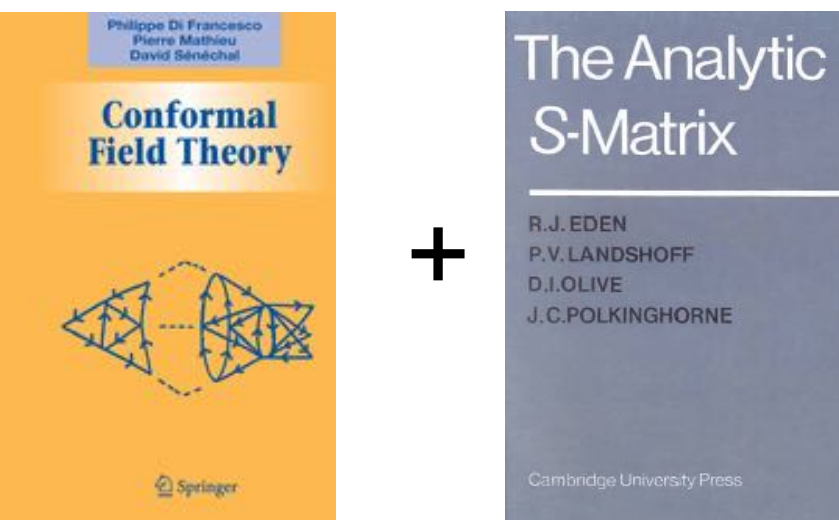
Lorentzian inversion formula

$$c(J, \Delta) = \int_{\text{causal diamond}} [G_{\Delta+1-d, j+d-1}] \times [\text{dDisc } G]$$

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s-channel
OPE coefficients
block with
J and Δ
exchanged
absorptive
part

[SCH '17]

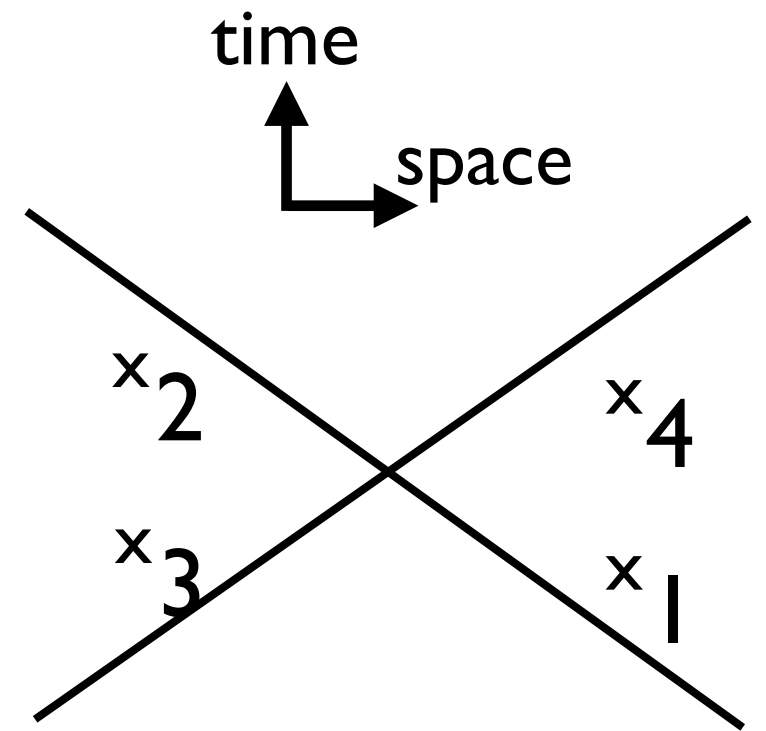


converges for $J > 1$
(boundedness in Regge limit)

[see also: Simmons-Duffin, Stanford & Witten;
Kravchuk & Simmons-Duffin '18]

Input: double commutator

$$\text{dDisc } G \equiv -\frac{1}{2} \langle 0 | [\phi_4, \phi_1] [\phi_2, \phi_3] | 0 \rangle$$



Positive-definite and bounded object. Simplifications:

1. Large J ($z \rightarrow 1$): low twists in cross-channel

$\Rightarrow 1/J$ expansion

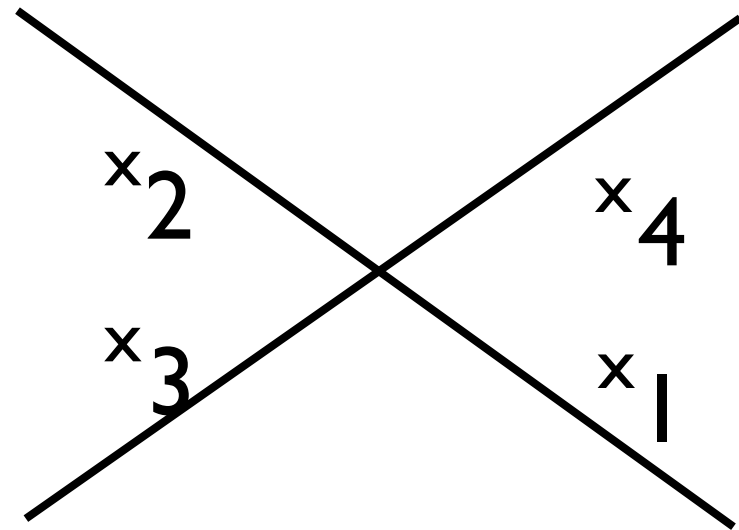
[cf Fernando Alday's talk!]

2. Large N_c : dominated by single-traces

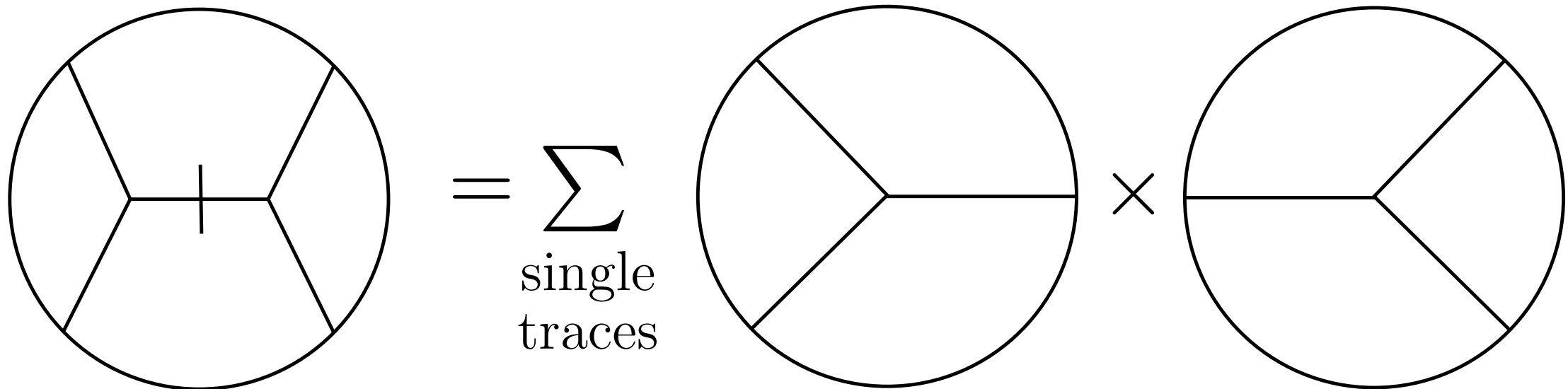
Commutators kill double-traces:

$$\phi_1 \phi_4 \sim \sum_{j, \Delta} c_{j, \Delta} ((x_1 - x_4)^2)^{\frac{\Delta - \Delta_1 - \Delta_4}{2}}$$

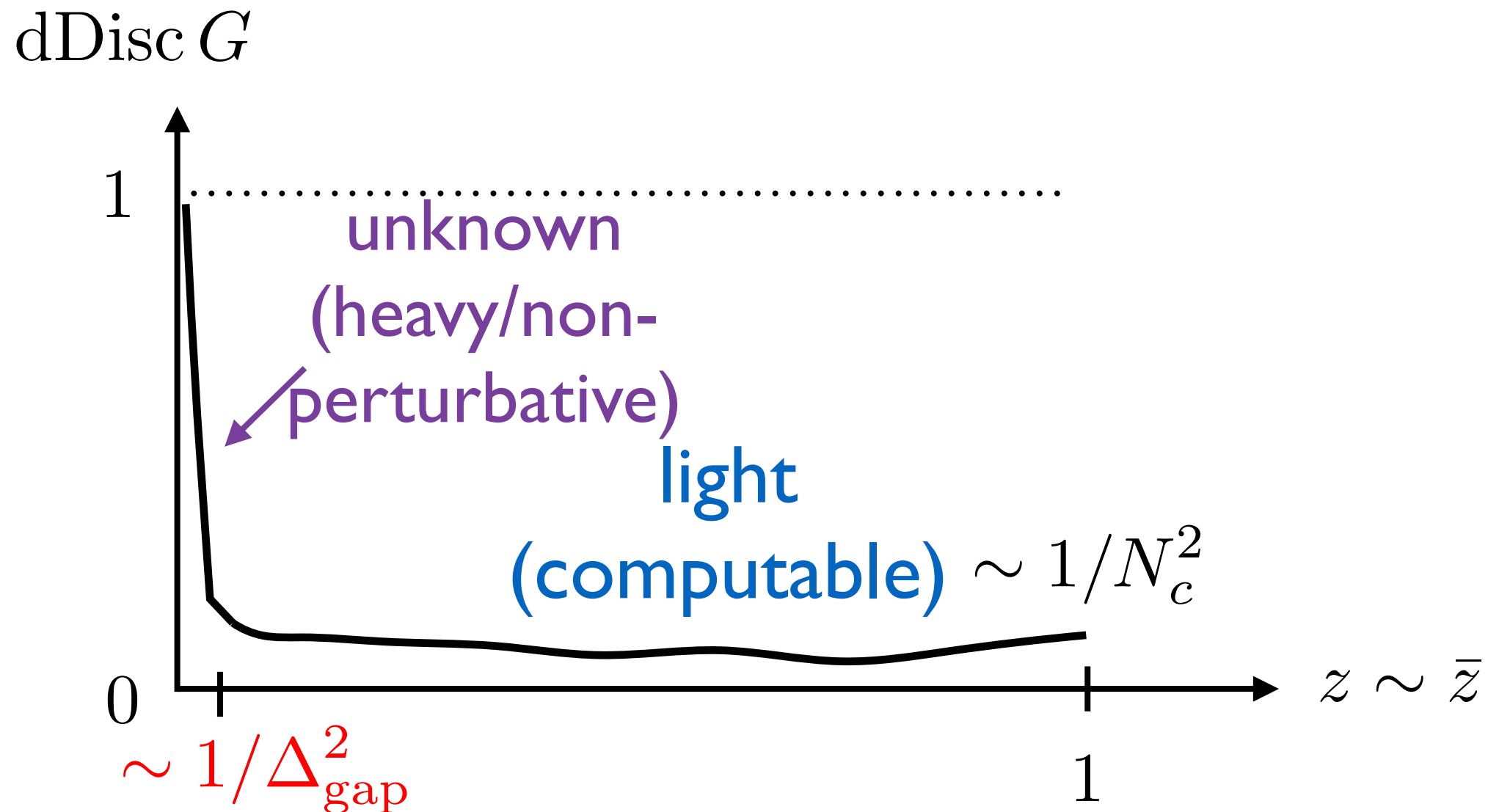
$$[\phi_1, \phi_4] \sim \sum_{j, \Delta} c_{j, \Delta} |(x_1 - x_4)^2|^{\frac{\Delta - \Delta_1 - \Delta_4}{2}} \sin\left(\pi \frac{\Delta - \Delta_1 - \Delta_4}{2}\right) \propto \gamma / N_c^2$$



dDisc \sim **imaginary part** of Witten diagrams!



Nonperturbative picture:



Knowing just light single-traces, dispersion relation yields:
 \Rightarrow full OPE data w/ controlled
perturbative+nonperturbative corrections!

Superconformal OPE

We study correlator of four **half-BPS** primaries in $[0, p, 0]$

$$\mathcal{O}^p(x, y) \equiv y^{i_1} \cdots y^{i_p} \text{Tr}[\phi^{i_1} \cdots \phi^{i_p}] - (\text{multi traces})$$

Null six-vectors y conveniently tracks R-symmetry indices

Correlator depends on cross-ratios:

$$\begin{aligned} u &= \frac{x_{12}^2 x_{34}^2}{x_{13}^2 x_{24}^2} = z\bar{z}, & v &= \frac{x_{23}^2 x_{14}^2}{x_{13}^2 x_{24}^2} = (1-z)(1-\bar{z}), \\ \sigma &= \frac{y_{12}^2 y_{34}^2}{y_{13}^2 y_{24}^2} = \alpha\bar{\alpha}, & \tau &= \frac{y_{23}^2 y_{14}^2}{y_{13}^2 y_{24}^2} = (1-\alpha)(1-\bar{\alpha}), \end{aligned}$$

In principle we should use **superconformal blocks**

For four half-BPS ops, really only need Ward identity:

the z dependence disappears when $\alpha=z$

[Nirschl & Osborn '04]

General solution:

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{G}_{\{p_i\}}(z, \bar{z}, \alpha, \bar{\alpha}) = & k\chi(z, \alpha)\chi(\bar{z}, \bar{\alpha}) + \frac{(z - \alpha)(z - \bar{\alpha})(\bar{z} - \alpha)(\bar{z} - \bar{\alpha})}{(\alpha - \bar{\alpha})(z - \bar{z})} \\ & \times \left(-\frac{\chi(\bar{z}, \bar{\alpha})f(z, \alpha)}{\alpha z(\bar{z} - \bar{\alpha})} + \frac{\chi(\bar{z}, \alpha)f(z, \bar{\alpha})}{\bar{\alpha} z(\bar{z} - \alpha)} + \frac{\chi(z, \bar{\alpha})f(\bar{z}, \alpha)}{\alpha \bar{z}(z - \bar{\alpha})} - \frac{\chi(z, \alpha)f(\bar{z}, \bar{\alpha})}{\bar{\alpha} \bar{z}(z - \alpha)} \right) \\ & + \frac{(z - \alpha)(z - \bar{\alpha})(\bar{z} - \alpha)(\bar{z} - \bar{\alpha})}{(z\bar{z})^2(\alpha\bar{\alpha})^2} H_{\{p_i\}}(z, \bar{z}, \alpha, \bar{\alpha}), \end{aligned}$$

$$\left[f(z, \alpha)^k \right] = \text{protected} \quad H(z, \bar{z}, \alpha, \bar{\alpha}) = \text{dynamical}$$

Superconformal Casimir commutes with decomposition

$$f_{\{p_i\}}(z, \alpha) = \sum_{j, m} b_{\{p_i\}}(j, m) k_{1+m+j}(z) k_{-m}(\alpha)$$

$$H_{\{p_i\}}(z, \bar{z}, \alpha, \bar{\alpha}) = \sum_{j, \Delta, m, n} a_{\{p_i\}}(j, \Delta, m, n) G_{j, \Delta}(z, \bar{z}) Z_{m, n}(\alpha, \bar{\alpha})$$

These are standard bosonic blocks:

$$k \sim {}_2F_1, \quad G \sim \frac{z\bar{z}}{z - \bar{z}}(kk - k\bar{k}), \quad Z \sim \text{similar}$$

[cf Bissi & Lukowski '15]

In practice, we won't need 'superconformal blocks':

$a(j, \Delta; m, n)$ and $b(j; m)$ contain all information!

Disconnected correlator

At order N^0 , correlator is very simple:

$$\mathcal{G}_{pqqp}^{(0)} = \delta_{p,q} + \left(\frac{u}{\sigma}\right)^{\frac{p+q}{2}} \left[\left(\frac{\tau}{v}\right)^q + \delta_{p,q} \right]$$

SUSY decomposition gives mess, however

Trick: **magic** differential operator which kills protected stuff

Supermultiplets which can appear in [0,p,0] correlators:

Multiplet	Dynkin labels	Dimension Δ and spin ℓ
Half-BPS $\mathcal{B}_{0,n}$	$[0, n, 0]$	$\Delta = q, \ell = 0$
Quarter-BPS $\mathcal{B}_{m,n}$	$[m, n-m, m]$	$\Delta = m + n, \ell = 0, m \geq 1$
Semi-short $\mathcal{C}_{\ell,m,n}$	$[m, n-m, m]$	$\Delta = m + n + 2 + \ell$
Long $\mathcal{A}_{\ell,\Delta,m,n}$	$[m, n-m, m]$	$\Delta > m + n + 2 + \ell$

All but longs are killed by a 8th order operator:

$$\Delta^{(8)} H_{\{p_i\}} \equiv \frac{z\bar{z}\alpha\bar{\alpha}}{(z-\bar{z})(\alpha-\bar{\alpha})} (\mathcal{D}_z - \mathcal{D}_\alpha) (\mathcal{D}_z - \mathcal{D}_{\bar{\alpha}}) (\mathcal{D}_{\bar{z}} - \mathcal{D}_\alpha) (\mathcal{D}_{\bar{z}} - \mathcal{D}_{\bar{\alpha}}) \frac{(z-\bar{z})(\alpha-\bar{\alpha})}{z\bar{z}\alpha\bar{\alpha}} H_{\{p_i\}}$$

$$\mathcal{D}_x \equiv x^2 \partial_x (1-x) \partial_x - \frac{1}{2} (r+s) x^2 \partial_x - \frac{1}{4} r s x$$

Physically, gives correlator of chiral Lagrangians (10D axidilaton)

[Drummond, Gallot & Sokatchev '06]

$$\Delta^{(8)} H_{pqqp}^{(0)} = \frac{u^{\frac{p+q}{2}+2}}{\sigma^{\frac{p+q}{2}-2}} \left(\frac{\tau^{q-2}}{v^{q+2}} + \delta_{p,q} \right) \times C(p) C(q) \quad C(p) = p^2(p^2 - 1)$$

Since $\Delta^{(8)}\text{H}$ =generalized free field, OPE takes simple form:

$$a_{\{p_i\}}(j, \Delta, m, n) = \frac{1}{\Delta_{m,n}^{(8)}(h, \bar{h})} \times (\Gamma\text{-functions})$$

Here we have divided by the eigenvalue:

$$\Delta_{m,n}^{(8)}(h, \bar{h}) = \left(h - \frac{n-m+2}{2}\right) \left(h + \frac{n-m}{2}\right) \left(h - \frac{m+n+4}{2}\right) \left(h + \frac{m+n+2}{2}\right) \\ \times \left(\bar{h} - \frac{n-m+2}{2}\right) \left(\bar{h} + \frac{n-m}{2}\right) \left(\bar{h} - \frac{m+n+4}{2}\right) \left(\bar{h} + \frac{m+n+2}{2}\right)$$

$$h = 1 + \frac{\Delta - j}{2}, \quad \bar{h} = 2 + \frac{\Delta + j}{2}$$

From this N^0 OPE data, can *derive* formulas
for various superconformal blocks

Ex: half-BPS block with $[0,p+q,0]$
= sum of all contributions with Casimir eigenvalue 0

$$\mathcal{B}_{0,\Delta}^{r,s} = \begin{cases} k = 1, & f(z, \alpha) = \sum_{i=\max(|r|,|s|)}^{\Delta-2} k_{1+\frac{i}{2}}^{r,s}(z) k_{-\frac{i}{2}}^{-r,-s}(\alpha), \\ H(z, \bar{z}, \alpha, \bar{\alpha}) = \sum_{i=\max(|r|,|s|)}^{\Delta-4} \sum_{j=0}^{(\Delta-i)/2} G_{j,i+j+4}^{r,s}(z, \bar{z}) Z_{j,i+j}^{r,s}(\alpha, \bar{\alpha}). \end{cases}$$

Agrees with earlier formulas for superconformal blocks

[Dolan & Osborn, ...]

Order $1/N^2$

At this order, dDisc saturated by single-traces (thus half-BPS)

$$\text{dDisc } G = \sum \text{ (diagram) } = \sum_{\text{finite sum}} f_{pq p'} f_{rs p'} \mathcal{B}_{p'}$$

The diagram is a four-point exchange process. It consists of a central horizontal line segment. From the left end of this segment, two lines branch out downwards and upwards at an angle. Similarly, from the right end of the central segment, two lines branch out downwards and upwards at an angle. The label $\mathcal{O}^{p'}$ is placed above the central horizontal line.

Inversion formula (*thank you SUSY!*) converges for $J > -2$

In particular, we get a **crossing equation** for the half-BPS f's

$$\text{coeff.} \left[\text{diagram} \right] = \Sigma \int \left[\text{diagram}_1 + \text{diagram}_2 \right]$$

Ex:

$$\left. \begin{array}{c} 3 \quad 3 \quad 3 \\ 2 \quad 2 \quad 2 \end{array} \right|_{1/2\text{-BPS}} = f_{233}^2 \mathcal{B}_{0,3} = \int \begin{array}{c} 3 \quad 3 \\ 2 \quad 2 \end{array} + \begin{array}{c} 3 \quad 3 \\ 2 \quad 2 \end{array} = \left(\frac{1}{3} f_{222} f_{233} + \frac{7}{9} f_{233}^2 \right) \mathcal{B}_{0,3} + \dots$$

From this we deduce: $f_{233} = \frac{3}{2} f_{222}$ ✓

In this way we bootstrap all 3-point couplings!
Matches known @weak&strong coupling

$$f_{pqr} = \sqrt{\frac{pqr}{4c}}$$

Free theory

Having bootstrapped all 3-pt couplings,
get full protected part $f(z, \alpha)$ at order $1/N^2$

[1D inversion: Simmons-Duffin, Stanford & Witten]

Expect to match free theory = $\text{poly}(u/\sigma, \tau/v)$

In fact enough to fully reconstruct free theory!



$$G^{\text{free}} = \sum \left[\text{square} + \text{square with solid diagonal} + \text{square with dashed diagonal} \right]$$

where each line represents ≥ 0 Wick contractions

Double-trace mixing

from the dDisc of the correlator, get all OPE data:

Ex: $c(\ell, \Delta, 0, 2)_{2442} = \int_0^1 \frac{dz}{z^2} (1-z)^2 k_{1-h}^{2,2}(z) z^{-1} \int_0^1 \frac{d\bar{z}}{\bar{z}^2} (1-\bar{z})^2 \kappa(\bar{h}) k_{\bar{h}}^{2,2}(\bar{z}) \bar{z}^{-1}$

$$\times \left[2 \left(\frac{z}{1-z} \right)^3 - 4 \left(\frac{z}{1-z} \right)^4 - 4 \left(\frac{z}{1-z} \right)^5 \log(z) \right] \text{dDisc} \left(\frac{\bar{z}}{1-\bar{z}} \right)^3$$

= dDisc G_{2442}

The $\log(z)$ term gives anomalous dimensions

All integrals give just bunch of Γ 's

$$\int_0^1 \frac{d\bar{z}}{\bar{z}^2} (1-\bar{z})^{\frac{1}{2}(p_{21}+p_{34})} \tilde{\kappa}(\bar{h}/2) k_{\bar{h}/2}^{p_{21}, p_{34}}(\bar{z}) \text{dDisc} \left[\left(\frac{1-\bar{z}}{\bar{z}} \right)^\lambda \bar{z}^{-p_{34}/2} \right]$$

$$= \frac{r_{\bar{h}}^{p_{21}, p_{34}}}{\Gamma(-\lambda) \Gamma(-\lambda - \frac{p_{21}+p_{34}}{2})} \frac{\Gamma(\bar{h} - \lambda - p_{34}/2 - 1)}{\Gamma(\bar{h} + \lambda + p_{34}/2 + 1)}$$

Anomalous dimension are really mixing matrices

For example, at twist 6 and R-symmetry rep [0,2,0]:

$$\gamma_{6,0,2}^{(1)} = \begin{pmatrix} \gamma_{24,24}^{(1)} & \gamma_{24,33}^{(1)} \\ \gamma_{33,24}^{(1)} & \gamma_{33,33}^{(1)} \end{pmatrix} \quad \text{with:} \quad \gamma_{pq,rs}^{(1)} \equiv \frac{\langle a^{(0)} \gamma^{(1)} \rangle_{pqrs}}{\sqrt{\langle a^{(0)} \rangle_{pqqp} \langle a^{(0)} \rangle_{rssr}}}$$

For even spins this evaluates to:

$$\left(\gamma^{(1)} \right)_{6,0,2}^+ = \frac{-60}{(\bar{h}-4)(\bar{h}-1)(\bar{h})(\bar{h}+3)} \begin{pmatrix} 12 + \bar{h}(\bar{h}-1) & 6\sqrt{\bar{h}(\bar{h}-1)} \\ 6\sqrt{\bar{h}(\bar{h}-1)} & 6 + \bar{h}(\bar{h}-1) \end{pmatrix}$$

Amazingly, the *eigenvalues* are simple:

$$\left(\gamma^{(1)} \right)_{6,0,2}^+ = \left\{ \frac{-\Delta_{0,2}^{(8)}(4, \bar{h})}{(\bar{h}-4)_6}, \frac{-\Delta_{0,2}^{(8)}(4, \bar{h})}{(\bar{h}-2)_6} \right\} \quad (\bar{h} = j + 5)$$

Straightforward to look at other cases, ie twist=8 [0,2,0]:

$$\begin{pmatrix} (2442) & (2433) & (2435) & (2444) \\ (3342) & (3333) & (3335) & (3344) \\ (3542) & (3533) & (3553) & (3544) \\ (4442) & (4433) & (4453) & (4444) \end{pmatrix}$$

In all cases we reproduce a recent conjecture:



[Aprile, Drummond, Heslop&Paul '18]

All eigenvalues take the form:

$$\gamma^{(1)} = -\frac{1}{c} \frac{\Delta^{(8)}}{(j+1+\text{integer})_6} !$$

Part II

An unexpected $SO(10,2)$ symmetry

First, let us emphasize conjectured formula:

[Aprile, Drummond, Heslop&Paul '18]

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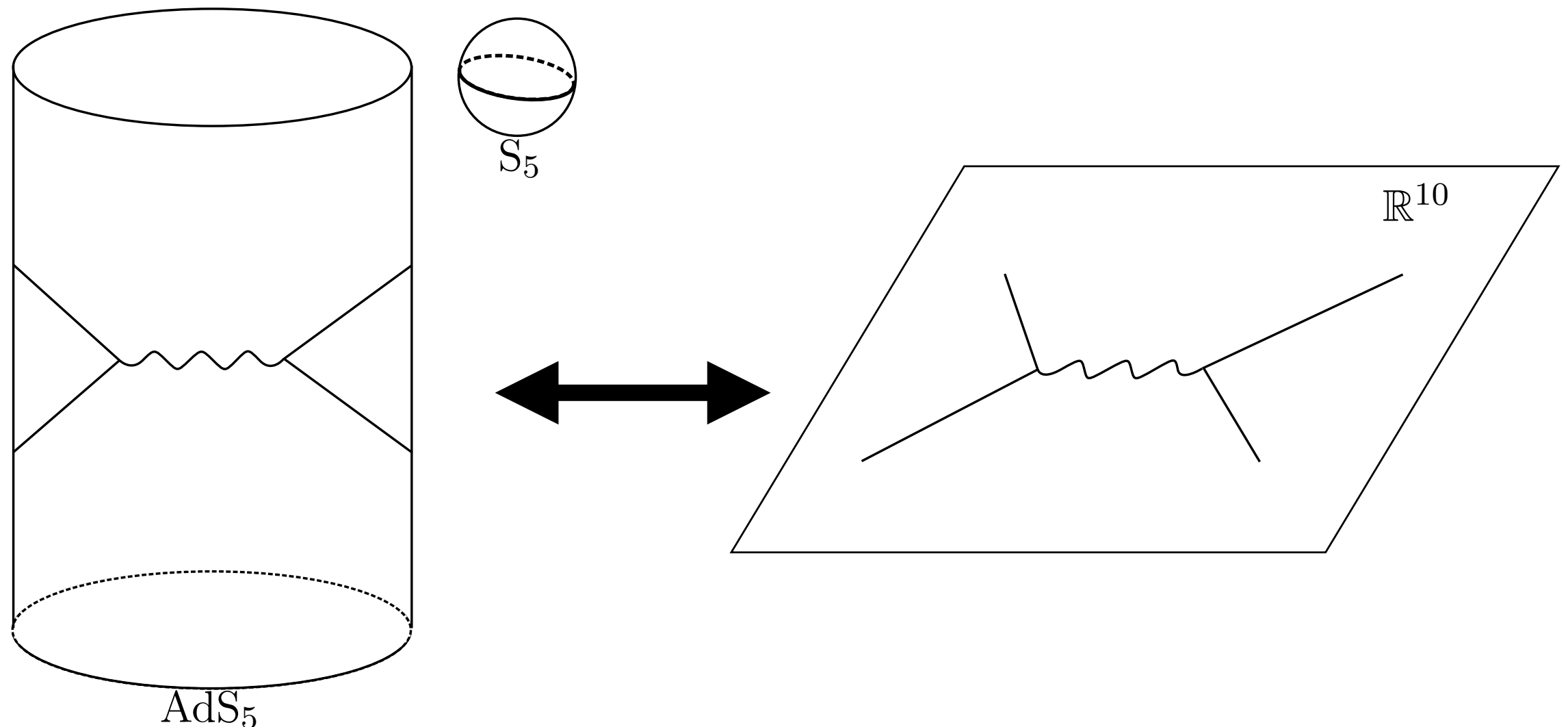
$$\left(G_N = \frac{\pi^4 L^8}{8c}\right)$$

$$A_\ell^{(10)}(s) = -\frac{(L\sqrt{s}/2)^8}{c} \times \frac{1}{(j+1)_6} + O(1/c^2)$$

$$\gamma = -\frac{\Delta^{(8)}}{c} \frac{1}{(j+1+m)_6} \Leftrightarrow A_{\ell}^{(10)}(s) = -\frac{(L\sqrt{s}/2)^8}{c} \frac{1}{(j+1)_6}$$

CFT correlator is just flat 10D amplitude!?!?!?

$$(L\sqrt{s}/2)^8 \leftrightarrow \Delta^{(8)}$$



Our proposed explanation:

1. 10D supergravity [@4-pt] \simeq CFT (coupling = $G_N s^4$)

$$A^{(10)}(s, t) = 8\pi G_N s^4 \frac{1}{stu}$$

← scale-invariant
& 10D conformal

2. $AdS_5 \times S^5$ is conformal to flat space

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$$SO(4, 2) \times SO(6)_R \subset SO(10, 2)$$

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The object is ‘dilaton correlator’

$$\langle \phi(w_1) \phi(w_2) \bar{\phi}(w_3) \bar{\phi}(w_4) \rangle_{10} \equiv \frac{G_{10}(u_{10}, v_{10})}{((x_{12}^2 - y_{12}^2)(x_{34}^2 - y_{34}^2))^4}$$

depends only on 10D distances $x_{ij}^2 - y_{ij}^2$:

$$u_{10} \equiv \frac{(x_{12}^2 - y_{12}^2)(x_{34}^2 - y_{34}^2)}{(x_{13}^2 - y_{13}^2)(x_{24}^2 - y_{24}^2)}, \quad v_{10} \equiv \frac{(x_{23}^2 - y_{23}^2)(x_{14}^2 - y_{14}^2)}{(x_{13}^2 - y_{13}^2)(x_{24}^2 - y_{24}^2)}$$

To extract SYM correlator H_{pqrs} ,
series-expand G_{10} in y 's and take term with correct weight

$$\begin{aligned} \tilde{H}_{p_1 p_2 p_3 p_4}(u, v, \sigma, \tau) = & \oint \prod_{i=1}^4 \left[\frac{da_i a_i^{1-p_i}}{2\pi i} \right] \frac{(u/\sigma)^{\frac{p_1+p_2}{2}-2}}{(1 - \frac{\sigma}{u} a_1 a_2)^4 (1 - a_3 a_4)^4} \\ & \times G_{10} \left(u \frac{(1 - \frac{\sigma}{u} a_1 a_2)(1 - a_3 a_4)}{(1 - a_1 a_3)(1 - a_2 a_4)}, v \frac{(1 - \frac{\tau}{v} a_2 a_3)(1 - a_1 a_4)}{(1 - a_1 a_3)(1 - a_2 a_4)} \right) \end{aligned}$$

$SO(10,2)$ symmetry thus predicts differential relations:

$$\tilde{H}_{pqrs} = \mathcal{D}_{pqrs} \tilde{H}_{2222}$$

$$\mathcal{D}_{2222} = 1,$$

$$\mathcal{D}_{2332} = -\frac{\sqrt{u}}{\sqrt{\sigma}} \tau \partial_v,$$

$$\mathcal{D}_{2233} = 4 - u \partial_u,$$

$$\mathcal{D}_{3333} = 16 - 8u \partial_u + \frac{u + \sigma}{\sigma} (u \partial_u)^2 + 2 \frac{u}{\sigma} u \partial_u v \partial_v + \frac{u(v + \tau)}{\sigma v} (v \partial_v)^2.$$

...

correct object is $\tilde{H}^{(1)} \equiv \text{“} \frac{\Delta^{(8)} H}{\Delta^{(8)}} \text{”} \equiv H^{(1)} - H^{(1),\text{free}}$

I. Check against classic results:

$$\tilde{H}_{2222}^{(1)} = -u^4 \bar{D}_{2,4,2,2}(u, v)$$

$$\tilde{H}_{2332}^{(1)} = -\frac{u^{9/2}}{\sqrt{\sigma}} \tau \bar{D}_{2,5,3,2},$$

$$\tilde{H}_{2233}^{(1)} = -u^4 (\bar{D}_{2,4,2,2} - \bar{D}_{2,4,3,3}),$$

$$\tilde{H}_{3333}^{(1)} = \dots$$

[D'Hoker, Freedman, Mathur,
Matusis& Rastelli '99;

Arutyunov, Dolan,
Osborn&Sokatchev '02-;

Berdichevsky& Naaijken '03;

Dolan,Nirschl&Osborn '06;

Uruchurtu '08-]

2. More generally: suffices to check the dDisc=pole terms

$$\tilde{H}_{pqrs}^{(1)} \Big|_{v-\text{poles}} \stackrel{?}{=} \mathcal{D}_{pqrs} \left[-\frac{2u^4 \log u}{(1-u)^3 v} - \frac{u^3(1+u)}{(1-u)^2 v} \right]$$

easy to check to high order p,q,r,s~10!!

Derive Rastelli-Zhou's formula: write Mellin rep for H_{2222}

$$G_{10}(w_i) = \int ds dt \frac{\Gamma(2 - \frac{s}{2})^2 \Gamma(2 - \frac{s}{2})^2 \Gamma(\frac{s+t}{2})^2}{(s-4)(t-4)(s+t-2)} \times (x_{12}^2 - y_{12}^2)^{\frac{s}{2}-2} \dots$$

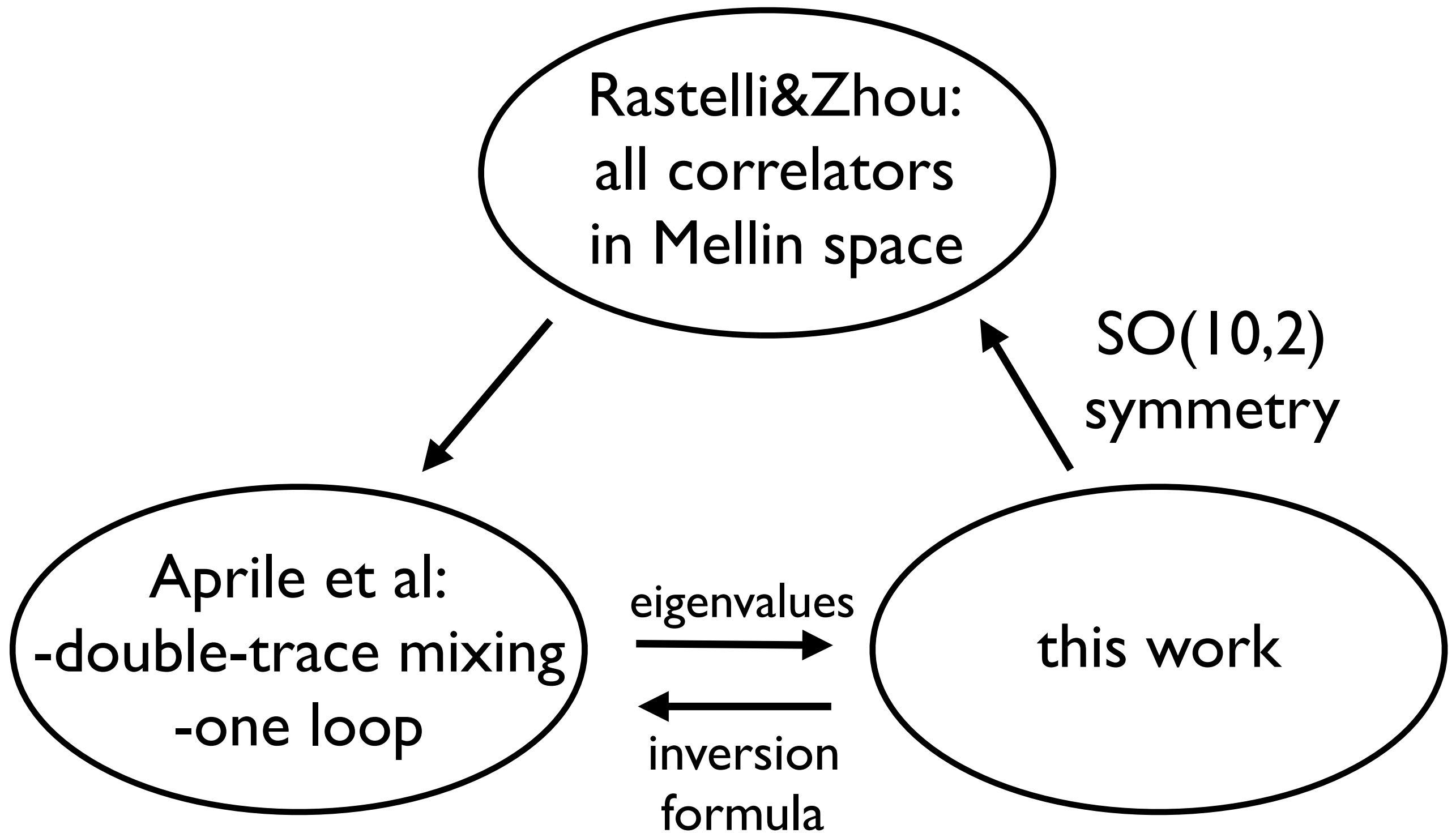
Expand in y : each « Gamma times power » just gets shifted!

$$\Gamma\left(-\frac{s}{2}\right) (x_{12}^2 - y_{12}^2)^{\frac{s}{2}} = \sum_{p=0}^{\infty} \frac{(y_{12}^2)^p}{p!} \Gamma\left(-\frac{s}{2} - p\right) (x_{12}^2 - y_{12}^2)^{\frac{s}{2}-p}$$

General Mellin space correlator = sum of shifted $1/(stu)$'s:

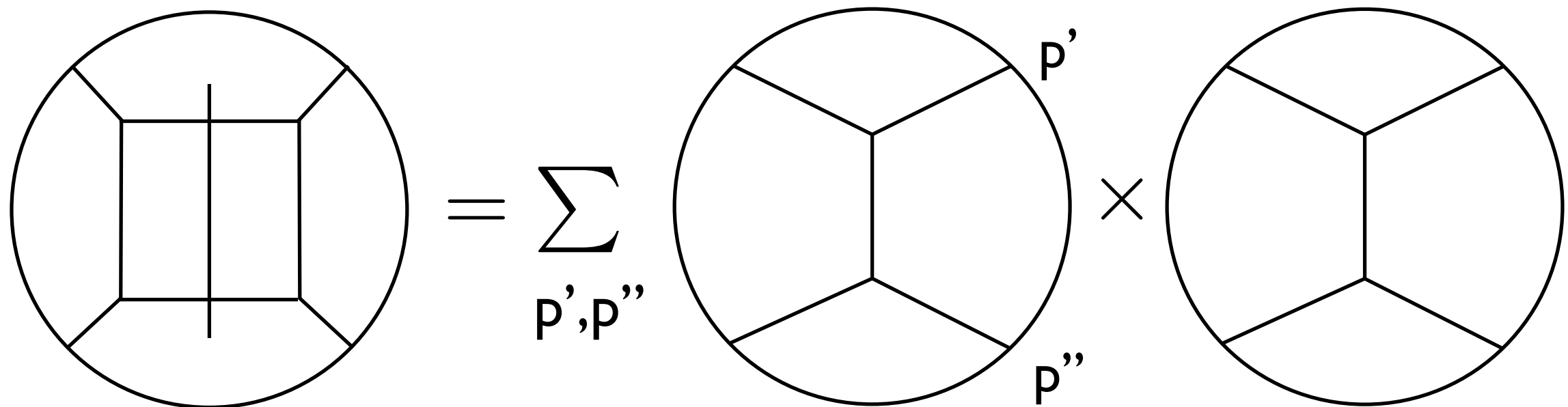
$$M_{pqrs}(s, t) = \sum \frac{\#}{(s - \#)(t - \#)(u - \#)} \quad [\text{Rastelli\&Zhou '16}]$$

each coefficient is product of six $(1/p!)$



perfect agreement between different methods!

From trees to loops



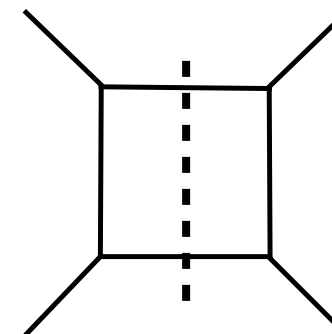
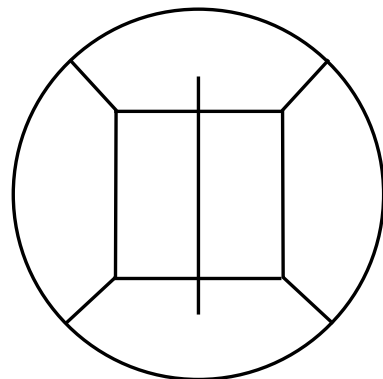
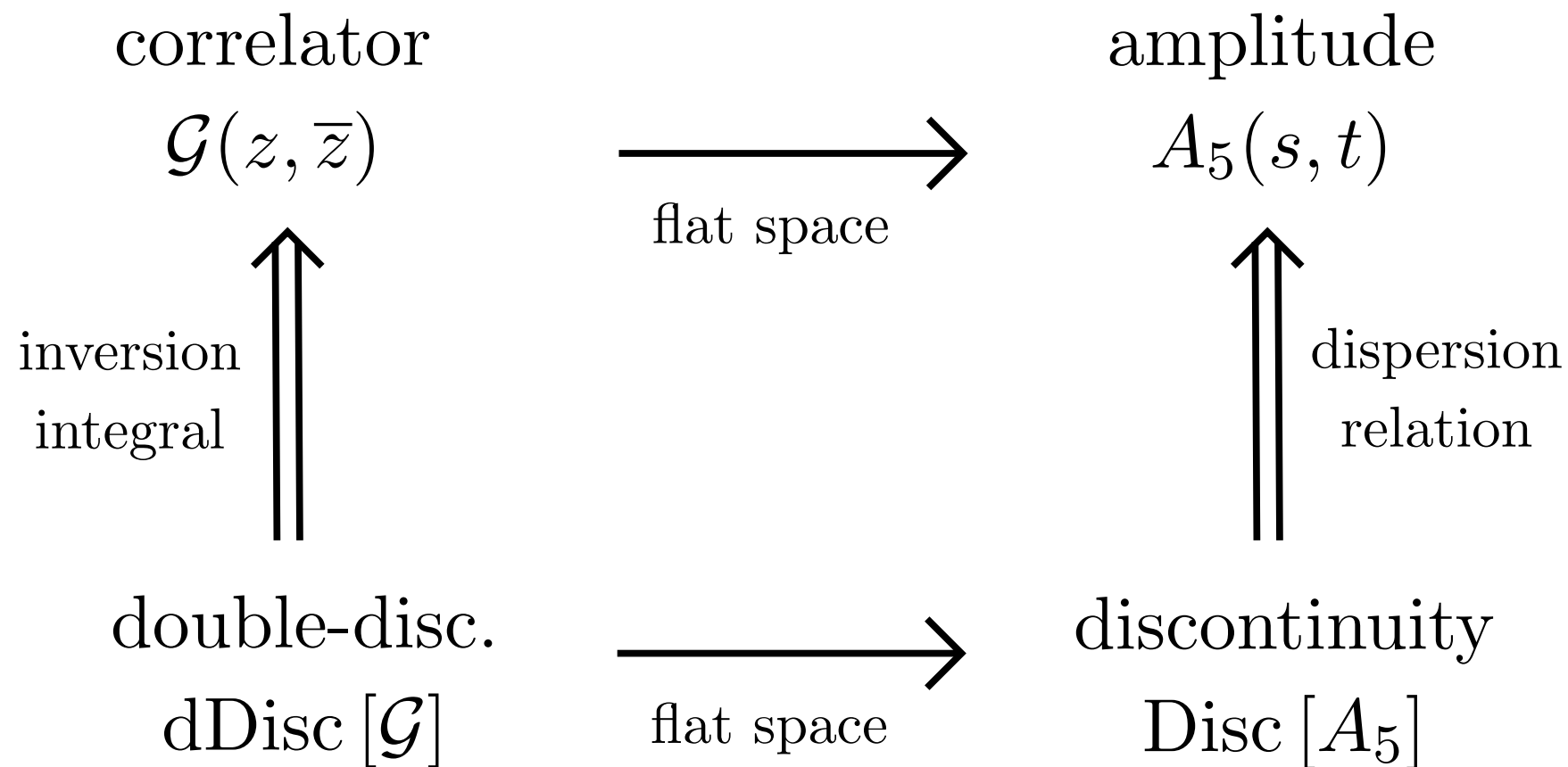
Trees predict the dDisc ($\sim \log^2 v$ terms)
= all one needs for the Kramers-Kronig relation

[SCH& Alday, '17]

At one-loop, studied 2222 correlator

[Alday& SCH, '17]

Flat space limit perfectly matches 1-loop supergravity



For general correlators, really a matrix product:

The diagram illustrates a matrix product decomposition of a correlator. On the left, a circle with four external legs labeled p (top-left), r (top-right), s (bottom-right), and q (bottom-left) contains a square with a vertical line through its center. This is equal to a sum over intermediate indices p' and p'' of the product of two three-point correlators. The first three-point correlator has external legs p , q , and p' . The second three-point correlator has external legs p' , s , and p'' . The two three-point correlators are multiplied together, as indicated by the \times symbol.

$$\text{Diagram} = \sum_{p', p''} \text{Diagram}_1 \times \text{Diagram}_2$$

The 10D symmetry trivially diagonalizes this sum

Start with OPE decomposition of 10D free field:

$$G_{10}^{(0)}(u, v) = 144 \left(u^4 + \frac{u^4}{v^4} \right) = \sum_{j=0, \text{even}}^{\infty} \frac{8\Gamma(j+4)^2}{\Gamma(2j+7)} (j+1)_6 G_{\ell, 8+\ell}^{(10D)}(u, v)$$

A **single block** for each per spin: 10D dilatons have $\Delta=4$

When reduced to 4D, 10D blocks are orthogonal!

[SCH,&Trinh, to appear]

\Rightarrow Just need to add powers of $1/(j+1)_6$ in the above!

Note: 10D extremal blocks extremely simple:

$$G_{\ell, 8+\ell}^{(d=10)}(z, \bar{z}) = \mathcal{D}_{(3)} \cdot \frac{120}{(j+1)(j+2)(j+3)} z^{j+1} {}_2F_1(j+1, j+4, 2j+8, z)$$

[Dolan&Osborn '11]

$$\mathcal{D}_{(3)} f(z) \equiv \left[\left(\frac{z\bar{z}}{\bar{z}-z} \right)^7 f(z) + \left(\frac{z\bar{z}}{\bar{z}-z} \right)^6 \frac{z^2}{2} \partial_z f(z) + \left(\frac{z\bar{z}}{\bar{z}-z} \right)^5 \frac{z^3}{10} \partial_z^2 (zf(z)) + \left(\frac{z\bar{z}}{\bar{z}-z} \right)^4 \frac{z^4}{120} \partial_z^3 (z^2 f(z)) \right]$$

Explicit formula for leading-log at each loop order:

$$\mathcal{H}_{pqrs}^{(k)}(z, \bar{z}, \alpha, \bar{\alpha}) \Big|_{\log^k u} = \left[\Delta^{(8)} \right]^{k-1} \cdot \mathcal{D}_{pqrs} \cdot \mathcal{D}_{(3)} \cdot h^{(k)}(z).$$

Ex:
$$h^{(2)}(z) = \frac{\text{Li}_2(z) - (1-z)^5 \text{Li}_2(z/(1-z))}{4z^5} - \frac{(1-z)(2z^2 - 7z + 7) \log(1-z)}{8z^4} \\ + \frac{(z-2)(1-z)}{z^3} + \frac{235}{576} \frac{z-2}{z}.$$

gives one-loop \log^2 terms for *all* correlators

matches 2222 from: [Alday & Bissi '17, Aprile, Drummond, Heslop & Paul '17]

general formula:

$$h^{(k)}(z) \equiv \frac{1}{k!} \left(\frac{-1}{2} \right)^k \sum_{\ell=0, \text{ even}}^{\infty} \frac{960 \Gamma(j+1) \Gamma(j+4)}{\Gamma(2j+7)} \frac{1}{[(\ell+1)_6]^{k-1}} z^{j+1} {}_2F_1(j+1, j+4, 2j+8, z).$$

Summary

- Studied double-trace mixing in strongly coupled $N=4$ SYM using Lorenzian inversion formula
- $SO(10,2)$ symmetry: formula for all spherical harmonics!
- Leading logs to all orders in $1/N_c$

Further questions

- What more is true at higher loops/higher points?

cf: [Loebbert, Mojaza & Plefka '18: hidden conformal symmetry]
[cf Maldacena' 11: Einstein vs conformal gravity]

- Other theories: 6D (2,0), ABJM?

‘Heavy’ part depends on nonperturbative UV completion.

It’s weighed by $\sim (\rho\bar{\rho})^{J/2}$. Use **positivity** + **boundedness**:

$$|c(j, \frac{d}{2} + i\nu)_{\text{heavy}}| \leq \frac{1}{c_T} \frac{\#}{(\Delta_{\text{gap}}^2)^{j-2}}$$

This establishes, from CFT, an EFT power-counting in AdS.

