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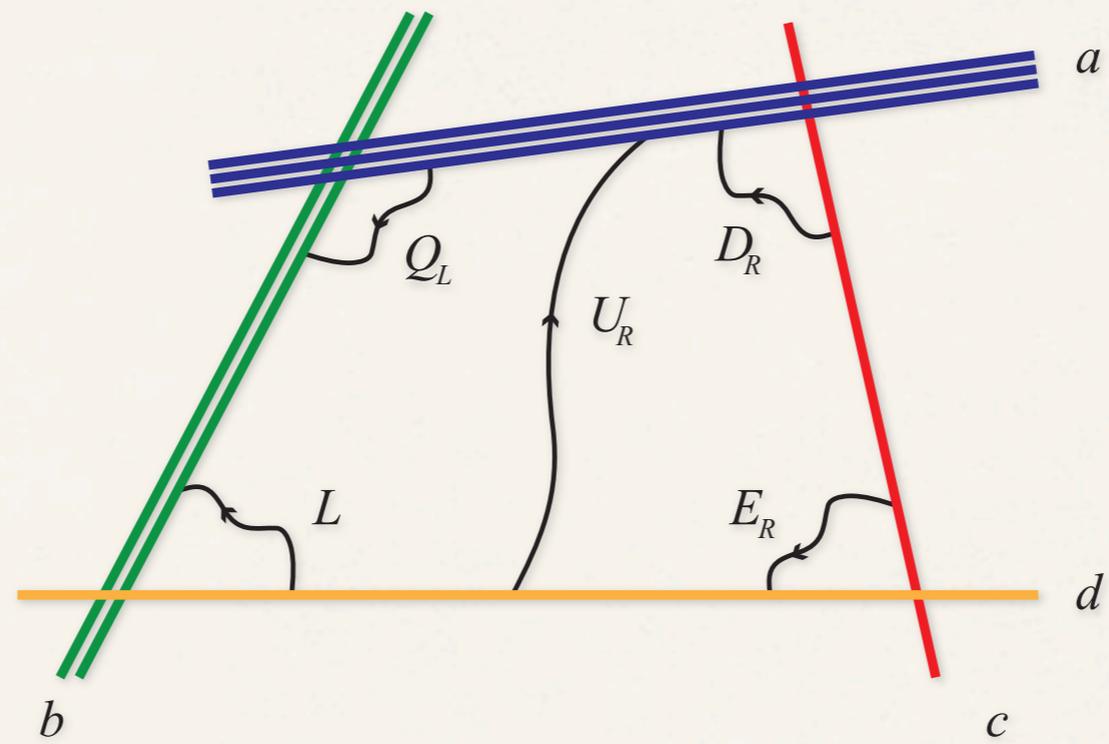
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Light stringy states

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Introduction and Motivation

Motivation

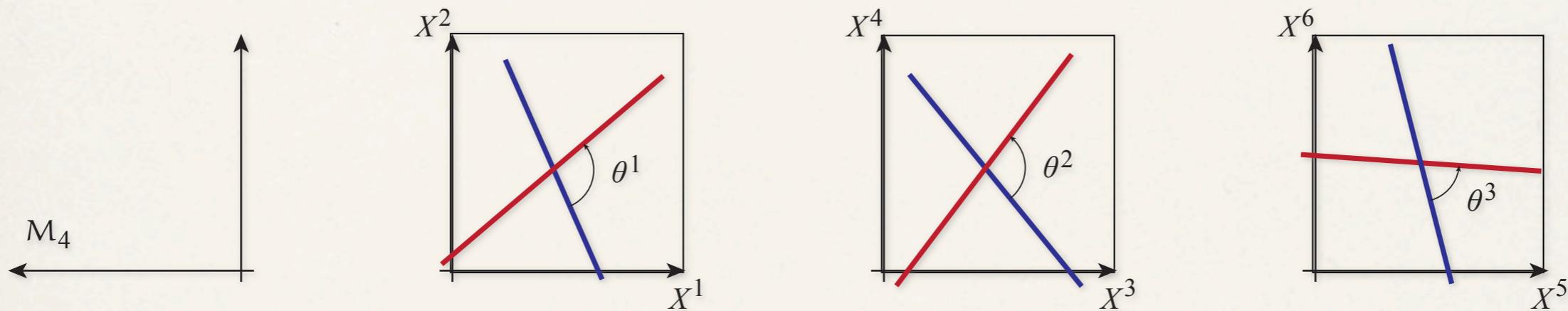
- ❖ D-brane compactifications provide a promising framework for model building
- ❖ They allow for large extra dimensions which imply a **significantly lower string scale**, even of just **a few TeV**.
- ❖ Scenarios of these kinds may explain **the hierarchy problem**, but also allow for stringy signatures that **can be observed at LHC**.
Antoniadis, Arkani-Hamed, Dimopoulos, Dvali
- ❖ There exists a class of amplitudes containing arbitrary number of gauge bosons and maximal two chiral fermions that exhibit **a universal behaviour independently** of the **specifics of the compactification**
Lust, Stieberger, Taylor, et. al.
- ❖ Due to their **universal behaviour** they have predictive power.
- ❖ The observed poles correspond to the exchanges of **Regge excitations** of the standard model gauge bosons, whose **masses scale** with the string mass M_s .
- ❖ Such poles might be observable at LHC if one has **low string scale**

Motivation

- ❖ On the other hand there exist a **tower of stringy excitations** localized at the **intersections of two stacks** of D-branes.
- ❖ Their masses **depend** on the **string mass** M_s and the **intersection angle** θ and thus can be significantly **lighter than the Regge excitations** of the gauge bosons.
- ❖ As we will see those **light stringy states** show up as poles in the scattering amplitudes containing four fermions.
- ❖ Such amplitudes are very model dependent, thus do not have the predictive power of the **universal amplitudes**.
- ❖ However the poles corresponding to **light stringy states** should be observed primary to **Regge excitations** for the universal amplitudes and thus may provide a **first step** towards evidence for **string theory**.

Intersecting D6-branes

For the sake of calculability we assume two intersecting D6-branes on $T^2 \times T^2 \times T^2$, where the D6-branes wrap in each torus a one-cycle



- ❖ **Supersymmetry** translates into: $\theta_1 + \theta_2 + \theta_3 = 0 \pmod{2}$
- ❖ We will take a closer look at the (**massless** and **massive**) states appearing at such an intersection.

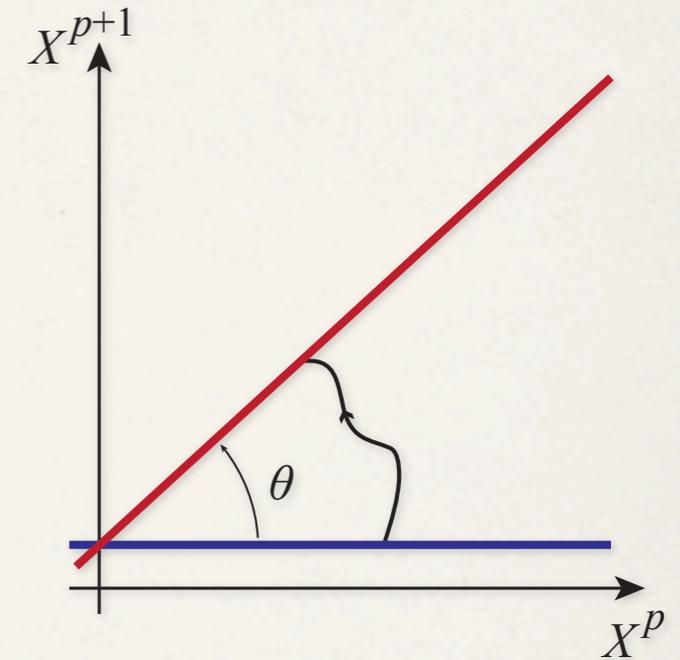
Quantization at angles

- Boundary conditions for strings between branes at angles:

$$\partial_\sigma X^p(\tau, 0) = X^{p+1}(\tau, 0) = 0$$

$$\partial_\sigma X^p(\tau, \pi) + \tan(\pi\theta) \partial_\sigma X^{p+1}(\tau, \pi) = 0$$

$$X^{p+1}(\tau, \pi) - \tan(\pi\theta) X^p(\tau, \pi) = 0$$



- Mode expansion ($Z^p = X^p + iX^{p+1}$):

$$\partial Z^I(z) = \sum_n \alpha_{n-\theta_I}^I z^{-n+\theta_I-1}$$

$$\partial \bar{Z}^I(z) = \sum_n \alpha_{n+\theta_I}^I z^{-n-\theta_I-1}$$

$$\Psi^I(z) = \sum_{r \in \mathbb{Z} + \nu} \psi_{r-\theta_I}^I z^{-r-\frac{1}{2}+\theta_I}$$

$$\bar{\Psi}^I(z) = \sum_{r \in \mathbb{Z} + \nu} \psi_{r+\theta_I}^I \bar{z}^{-r-\frac{1}{2}-\theta_I}$$

for $\nu = 0, 1/2$ for **R** and **NS** respectively.

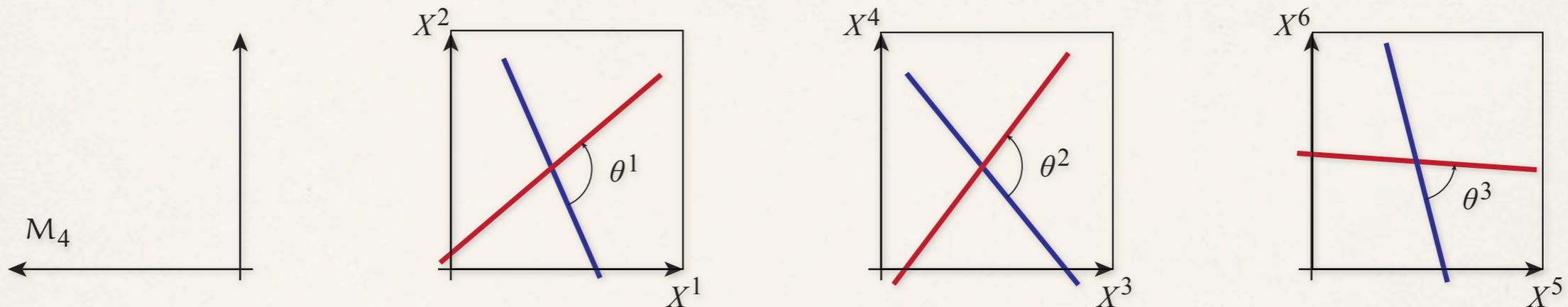
- The commutator/anticommutators:

$$[\alpha_{n\pm\theta}^I, \alpha_{m\mp\theta}^{I'}] = (m \pm \theta) \delta_{n+m} \delta^{II'}$$

$$\{\psi_{m-\theta}^I, \psi_{n+\theta}^{I'}\} = \delta_{m,n} \delta^{II'}$$

The vacuum

- Intersecting branes in 10D:



- NS sector (4D bosons):

- Positive angle

$$\alpha_{m-\theta_I} |\theta_I\rangle_{NS} = 0 \quad m \geq 1$$

$$\psi_{r-\theta_I} |\theta_I\rangle_{NS} = 0 \quad r \geq 1/2$$

$$\alpha_{m+\theta_I} |\theta_I\rangle_{NS} = 0 \quad m \geq 0$$

$$\psi_{r+\theta_I} |\theta_I\rangle_{NS} = 0 \quad r \geq 1/2$$

- Negative angle

$$\alpha_{m-\theta_I} |\theta_I\rangle_{NS} = 0 \quad m \geq 0$$

$$\psi_{r-\theta_I} |\theta_I\rangle_{NS} = 0 \quad r \geq 1/2$$

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$$\psi_{r+\theta_I} |\theta_I\rangle_{NS} = 0 \quad r \geq 1/2$$

- Recall:** GSO-projection requires odd number of fermionic excitations.

Lightest string states

- * Recall the **mass formula**:

$$M^2 = M_s^2 \sum_I \left(\sum_{m \in \mathbb{Z}} : \alpha_{-m+\theta_I}^I \alpha_{m-\theta_I}^I : + \sum_{m \in \mathbb{Z}} (m - \theta_I) : \psi_{-m+\theta_I}^I \psi_{m-\theta_I}^I : + \epsilon_0^I \right)$$

$-\frac{1}{8} \pm \frac{1}{2} \theta_I$


- * Concrete setup: $\theta_1^{ab} < 0$, $\theta_2^{ab} < 0$, $\theta_3^{ab} < 0$ with $\theta_1^{ab} + \theta_2^{ab} + \theta_3^{ab} = -2$ (SUSY).
- * The **lowest fermionic excitations** of this configuration:

$$\psi_{-\frac{1}{2}-\theta_I^{ab}} | \theta_{1,2,3}^{ab} \rangle_{NS}$$

$$M^2 = \frac{1}{2} (\theta_I^{ab} - \sum_{J \neq I} \theta_J^{ab}) M_s^2 = (1 + \theta_I^{ab}) M_s^2$$

$$\prod_I \psi_{-\frac{1}{2}-\theta_I^{ab}} | \theta_{1,2,3}^{ab} \rangle_{NS}$$

$$M^2 = (1 + \frac{1}{2} (\theta_1^{ab} + \theta_2^{ab} + \theta_3^{ab})) M_s^2 = 0$$

Lightest string states

- ❖ Some additional light states (for small θ_1):

$$\alpha_{\theta_1} \prod_I \psi_{-\frac{1}{2}-\theta_I} | \theta_{1,2,3}^{ab} \rangle_{NS}$$

$$M^2 = (1 + \frac{1}{2} \sum_I \theta_I - \theta_1) M_s^2 = -\theta_1 M_s^2$$

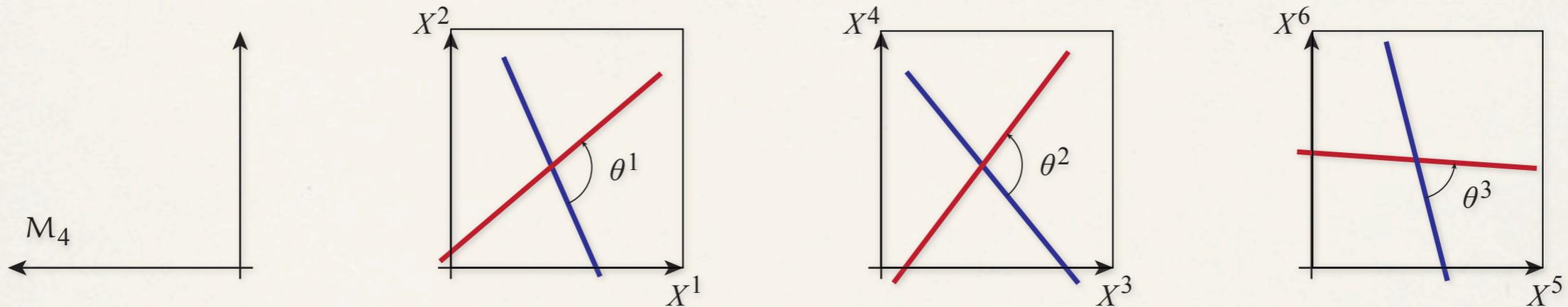
$$(\alpha_{\theta_1})^2 \prod_I \psi_{-\frac{1}{2}-\theta_I} | \theta_{1,2,3}^{ab} \rangle_{NS}$$

$$M^2 = (1 + \frac{1}{2} \sum_I \theta_I - 2\theta_1) M_s^2 = -2\theta_1 M_s^2$$

- ❖ These scalars are potentially very light, depending on the intersection angles.
- ❖ If the string scale is low, and the angles are small, such states have very low masses.
- ❖ Additional states, such as Higher Spin states, but even $\theta_I \rightarrow 0$ massive.

The vacuum

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* R sector (4D fermions):

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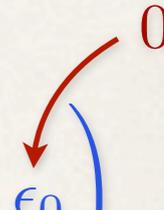
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Lightest string states

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- * Concrete setup: $\theta_1^{ab} < 0$, $\theta_2^{ab} < 0$, $\theta_3^{ab} < 0$ with $\theta_1^{ab} + \theta_2^{ab} + \theta_3^{ab} = -2$

- * **Massless state**: the vacuum: $|\theta_{1,2,3}^{ab}\rangle_R$

- * **Light states**: (θ_1 is small):

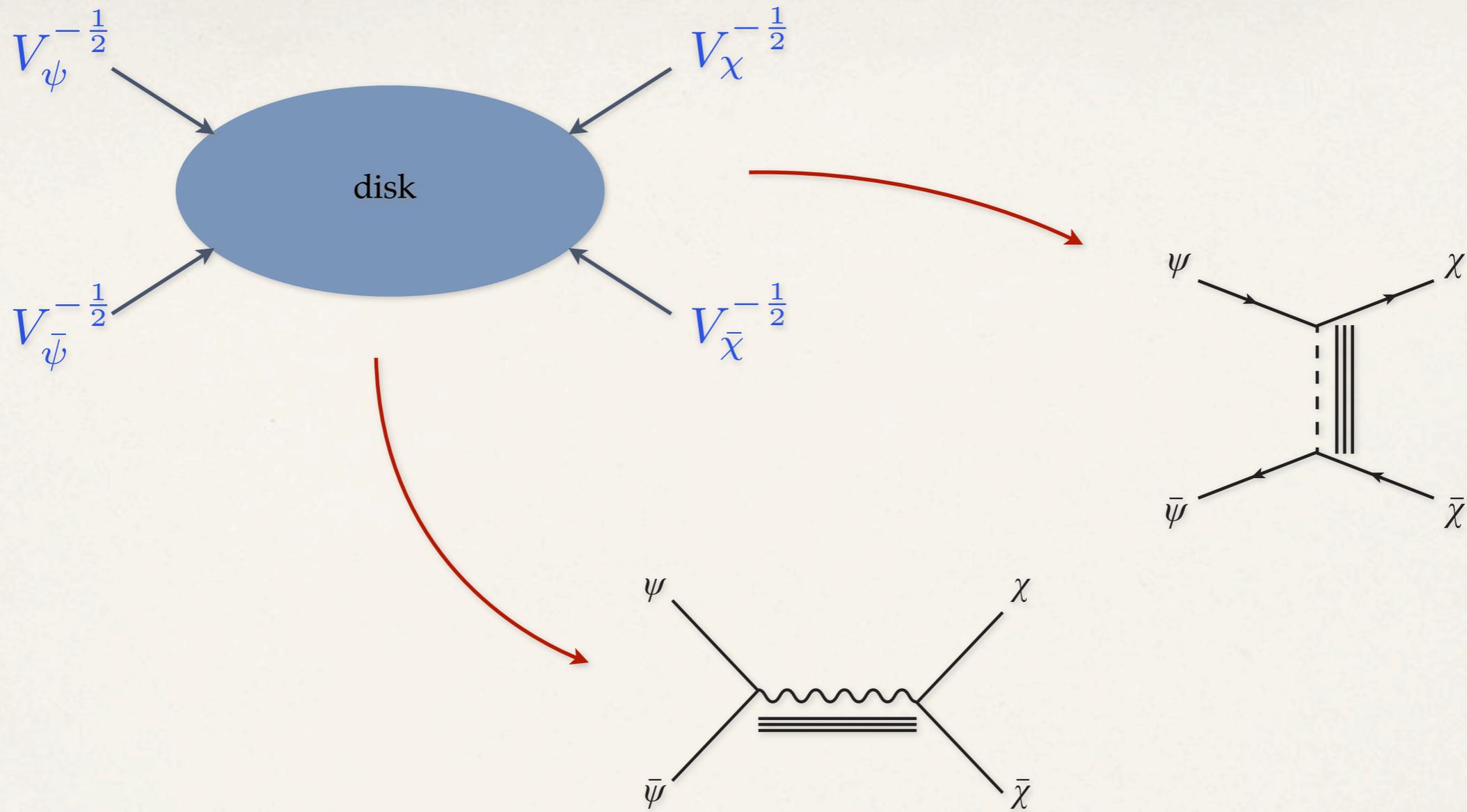
$$\alpha_{\theta_1} |\theta_{1,2,3}^{ab}\rangle_R$$

$$(\alpha_{\theta_1})^2 |\theta_{1,2,3}^{ab}\rangle_R$$

$$M^2 = -\theta_1 M_s^2$$

$$M^2 = -2\theta_1 M_s^2$$

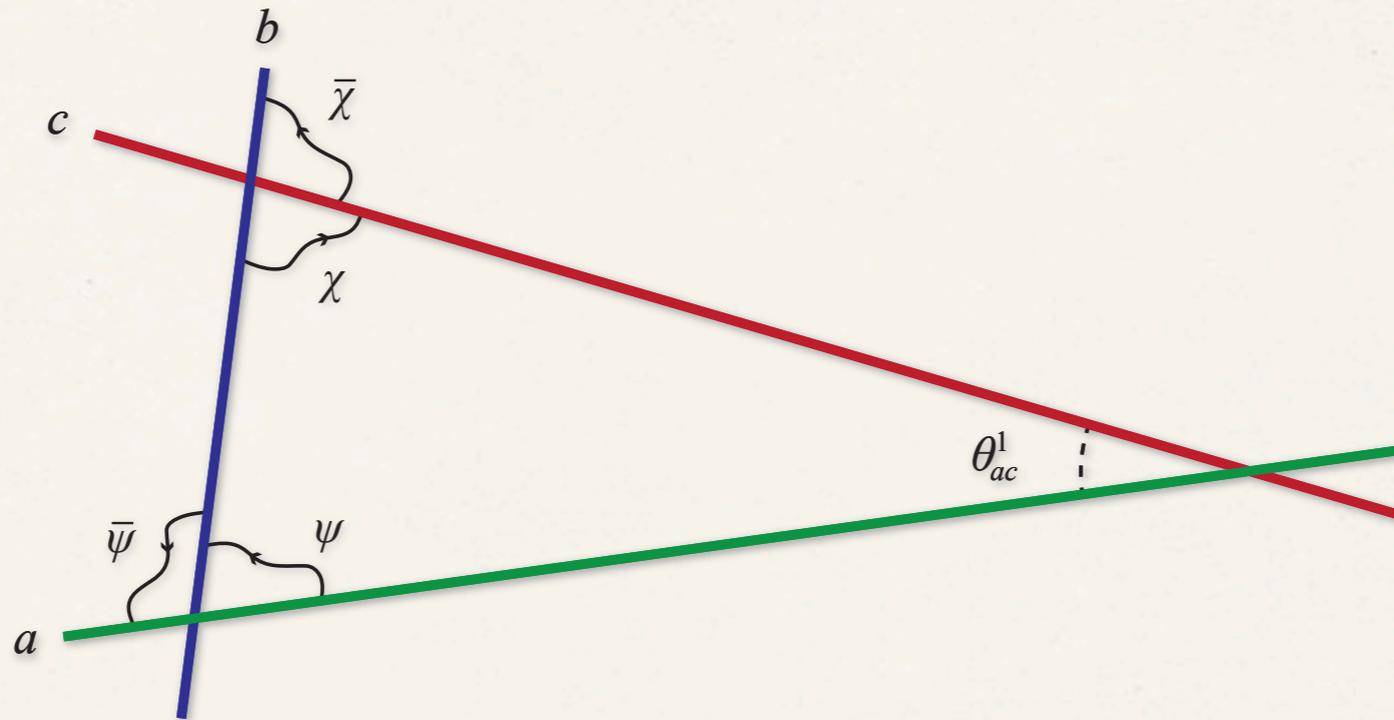
- * These states are the corresponding superpartners to the NS-scalars.
- * **Question**: Can they be observed?



The Amplitude

Amplitude

- Consider **three stacks** of D-branes within a **semi-realistic** brane configuration:



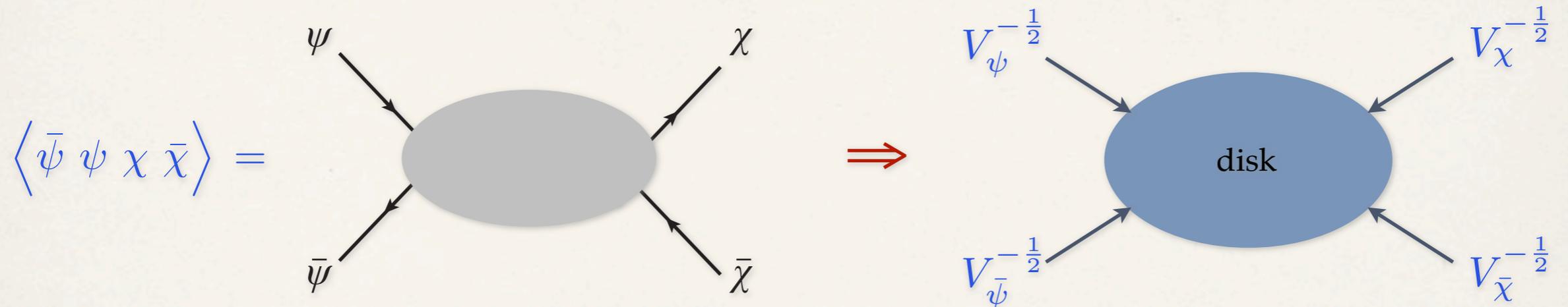
- For the sake of concreteness we choose the setup

$$\begin{array}{lll}
 \theta^1_{ab} > 0, & \theta^2_{ab} > 0, & \theta^3_{ab} < 0 \\
 \theta^1_{bc} > 0, & \theta^2_{bc} > 0, & \theta^3_{bc} < 0 \\
 \theta^1_{ca} < 0, & \theta^2_{ca} < 0, & \theta^3_{ca} < 0
 \end{array}
 \implies
 \begin{array}{l}
 \theta^1_{ab} + \theta^2_{ab} + \theta^3_{ab} = 0 \\
 \theta^1_{bc} + \theta^2_{bc} + \theta^3_{bc} = 0 \\
 \theta^1_{ca} + \theta^2_{ca} + \theta^3_{ca} = -2
 \end{array}$$

- At the intersections live **chiral fermions**: $\psi, \bar{\psi}, \chi, \bar{\chi}$.

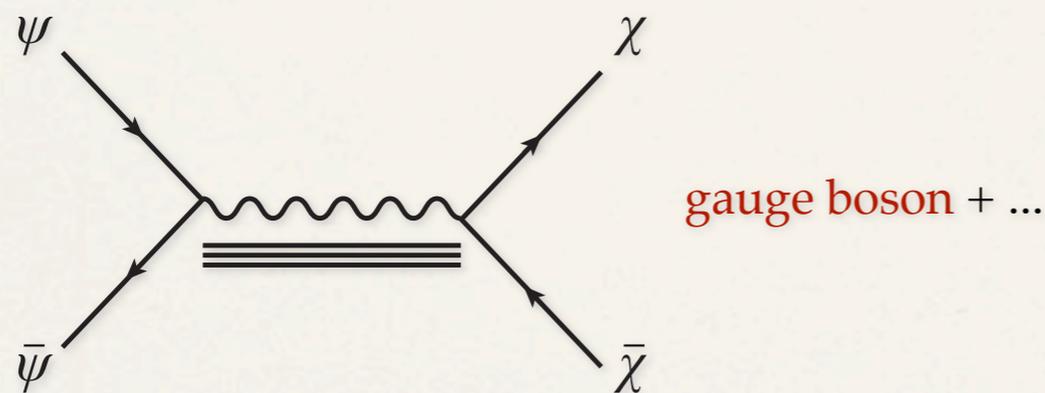
Amplitude

- We want to compute the **scattering amplitudes** of **four chiral fermions**:

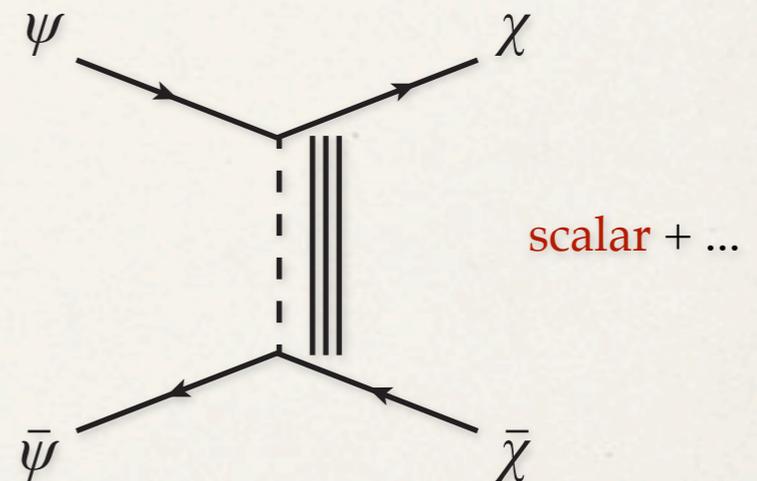


- The corresponding diagram contains **different channels**:

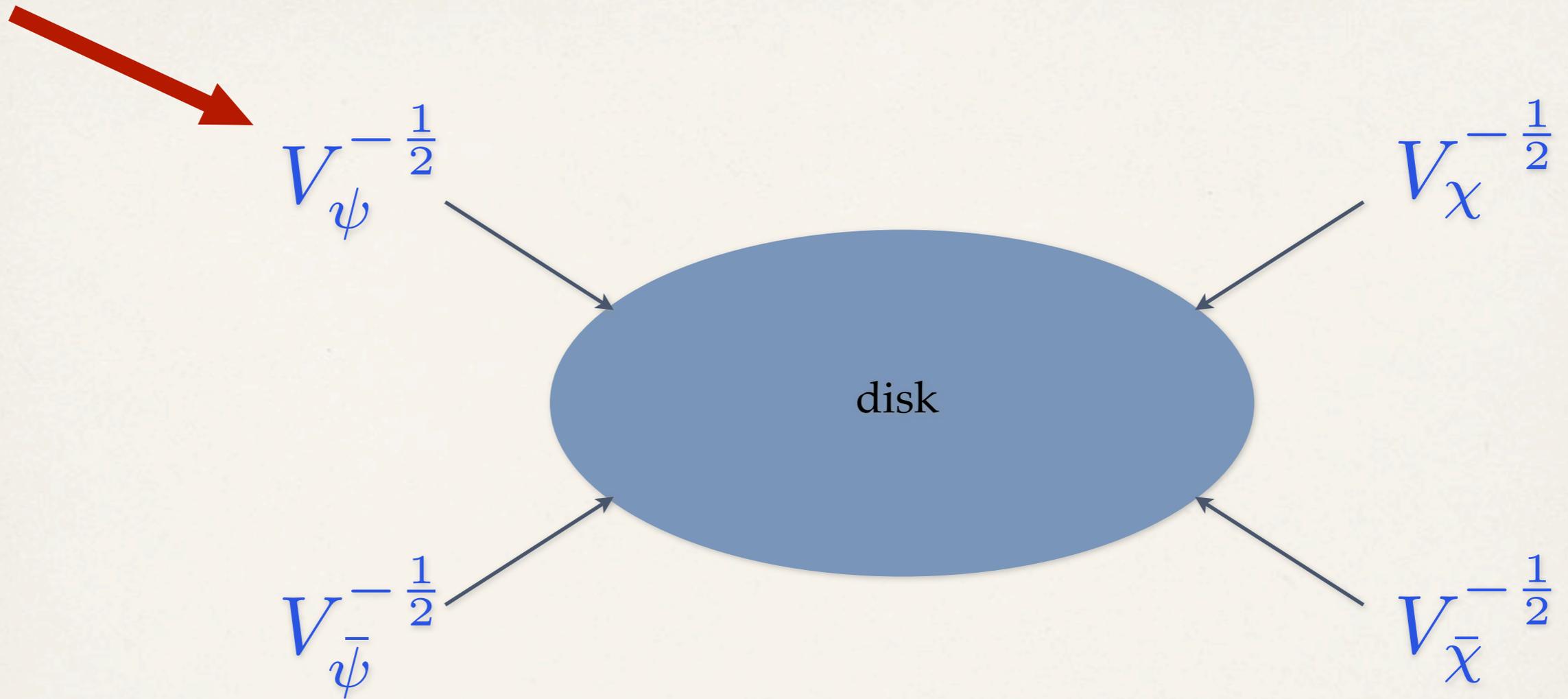
s-channel



t-channel



- Two difficulties:
 - Vertex operators**
 - Bosonic Twist field correlator**



Vertex Operators

Vertex Operators

- ❖ To each state there is a corresponding **vertex operator**, whose form **crucially depends** on the intersection angle
- ❖ **challenging** part is the **internal part** \rightsquigarrow **bosonic** and **fermionic** twist fields
- ❖ **Method**: We determine the **OPE's** of $\partial Z, \partial \bar{Z}, \Psi$ and $\bar{\Psi}$ with vacuum and excitations of it

❖ **Example**: $|\theta_I\rangle_{NS} \sim s_{\theta_I} \sigma_{\theta_I}$

$$\begin{aligned} \partial Z^I(z) |\theta_I\rangle_{NS} &= \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} \alpha_{n-\theta_I}^I z^{-n+\theta_I-1} |\theta_I\rangle_{NS} = \sum_{n=-\infty}^0 \alpha_{n-\theta_I}^I z^{-n+\theta_I-1} |\theta_I\rangle_{NS} \\ &\rightarrow z^{\theta_I-1} \alpha_{-\theta_I}^I |\theta_I\rangle_{NS} = z^{\theta_I-1} \tau_{\theta_I}^+(0) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \partial \bar{Z}^I(z) |\theta_I\rangle_{NS} &= \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} \alpha_{n+\theta_I}^I z^{-n-\theta_I-1} |\theta_I\rangle_{NS} = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{-1} \alpha_{n+\theta_I}^I z^{-n-\theta_I-1} |0\rangle_{NS} \\ &\rightarrow z^{-\theta_I} \alpha_{-1+\theta_I}^I |\theta_I\rangle_{NS} = z^{-\theta_I} \tilde{\tau}_{\theta_I}^+(0) \end{aligned}$$

- ❖ analogous for **fermionic** degrees of freedom and higher excitations
- ❖ **OPE's** give us detailed knowledge of the conformal twist fields.

Vertex Operators

- For the **NS-sector** apply the following dictionary

positive angle θ

$$\begin{aligned}
 |\theta\rangle_{NS} & : e^{i\theta H} \sigma_{\theta}^{+} \\
 \alpha_{-\theta} |\theta\rangle_{NS} & : e^{i\theta H} \tau_{\theta}^{+} \\
 (\alpha_{-\theta})^2 |\theta\rangle_{NS} & : e^{i\theta H} \omega_{\theta}^{+} \\
 \psi_{-\frac{1}{2}+\theta} |\theta\rangle_{NS} & : e^{i(\theta-1)H} \sigma_{\theta}^{+} \\
 \alpha_{-\theta} \psi_{-\frac{1}{2}+\theta} |\theta\rangle_{NS} & : e^{i(\theta-1)H} \tau_{\theta}^{+} \\
 (\alpha_{-\theta})^2 \psi_{-\frac{1}{2}+\theta} |\theta\rangle_{NS} & : e^{i(\theta-1)H} \omega_{\theta}^{+}
 \end{aligned}$$

negative angle θ

$$\begin{aligned}
 |\theta\rangle_{NS} & : e^{i\theta H} \sigma_{-\theta}^{-} \\
 \alpha_{\theta} |\theta\rangle_{NS} & : e^{i\theta H} \tau_{-\theta}^{-} \\
 (\alpha_{\theta})^2 |\theta\rangle_{NS} & : e^{i\theta H} \omega_{-\theta}^{-} \\
 \psi_{-\frac{1}{2}-\theta} |\theta\rangle_{NS} & : e^{i(\theta+1)H} \sigma_{-\theta}^{-} \\
 \alpha_{\theta} \psi_{-\frac{1}{2}-\theta} |\theta\rangle_{NS} & : e^{i(\theta+1)H} \tau_{-\theta}^{-} \\
 (\alpha_{\theta})^2 \psi_{-\frac{1}{2}-\theta} |\theta\rangle_{NS} & : e^{i(\theta+1)H} \omega_{-\theta}^{-}
 \end{aligned}$$

- For the **R-sector** apply the following dictionary

positive angle θ

$$|\theta\rangle_R : e^{i(\theta-1/2)H} \sigma_{\theta}^{+}$$

negative angle θ

$$|\theta\rangle_R : e^{i(\theta+1/2)H} \sigma_{-\theta}^{-}$$

An example

- * Consider $\theta_1^{ab} < 0$, $\theta_2^{ab} < 0$, $\theta_3^{ab} < 0$ with $\theta_1^{ab} + \theta_2^{ab} + \theta_3^{ab} = -2$

- * A massless state in the **NS-sector** and the corresponding VO:

$$\prod_{I=1}^3 \psi_{-1/2-\theta_I^{ab}} |\theta_{1,2,3}^{ab}\rangle_{NS} : \quad V^{(-1)} = \Lambda_{ab} \Phi e^{-\varphi} \prod_{I=1}^3 e^{i(\theta_I^{ab}+1)H_I} \sigma_{-\theta_I^{ab}}^- e^{ikX}$$

Conformal dimension

World-sheet charge

$$h = 2 - \frac{1}{2} \sum_I \theta_I^{ab} + \frac{k^2}{2} = 1 + \frac{k^2}{2}$$

$$U(1)_{WS} = \sum_{I=1}^3 (\theta_I^{ab} + 1) = 1$$

- * A massless state in the **R-sector** and the corresponding VO:

$$|\theta_{1,2,3}^{ab}\rangle_R : \quad V^{-\frac{1}{2}} = \Lambda_{ab} \psi_\alpha S^\alpha e^{-\varphi/2} \prod_{I=1}^3 e^{i(\theta_I^{ab}+\frac{1}{2})H_I} \sigma_{-\theta_I^{ab}}^- e^{ikX}$$

Conformal dimension

World-sheet charge

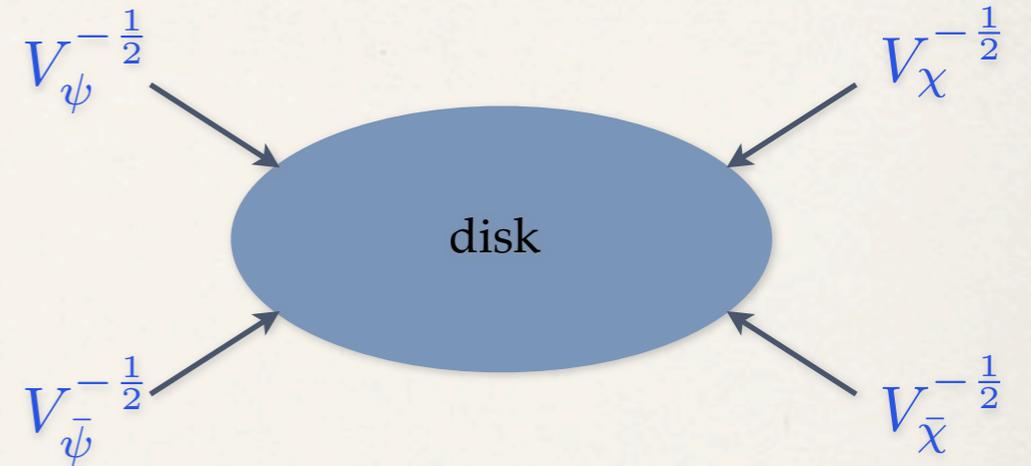
$$h = \frac{3}{8} + \frac{1}{4} + \frac{3}{8} + \frac{k^2}{2} = 1 + \frac{k^2}{2}$$

$$U(1)_{WS} = \sum_{I=1}^3 \left(\theta_I^{ab} + \frac{1}{2} \right) = -\frac{1}{2}$$

Amplitude

- For this configuration, the amplitude is $\langle \bar{\psi} \psi \chi \bar{\chi} \rangle$

$$\begin{aligned} \theta_{ab}^1 > 0, & \quad \theta_{ab}^2 > 0, & \quad \theta_{ab}^3 < 0 \\ \theta_{bc}^1 > 0, & \quad \theta_{bc}^2 > 0, & \quad \theta_{bc}^3 < 0 \\ \theta_{ca}^1 < 0, & \quad \theta_{ca}^2 < 0, & \quad \theta_{ca}^3 < 0 \end{aligned}$$



with the corresponding **vertex operators**:

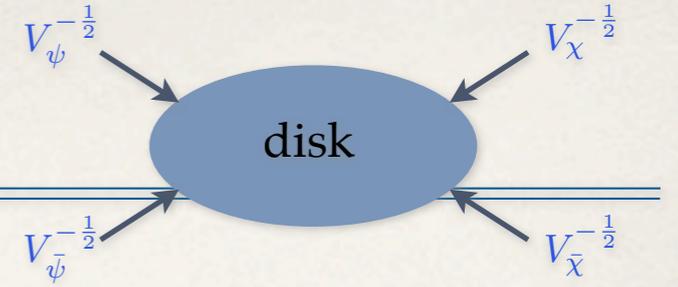
$$ab : \quad V_{\psi}^{-\frac{1}{2}} = \Lambda_{ab} \psi^{\alpha} e^{-\varphi/2} S_{\alpha} \prod_{I=1}^2 \sigma_{\theta_{ab}^I}^{+} e^{i(\theta_{ab}^I - \frac{1}{2})H_I} \sigma_{-\theta_{ab}^3}^{-} e^{i(\theta_{ab}^3 + \frac{1}{2})H_3} e^{ikX}$$

$$ba : \quad V_{\bar{\psi}}^{-\frac{1}{2}} = \Lambda_{ba} \bar{\psi}_{\dot{\alpha}} e^{-\varphi/2} S^{\dot{\alpha}} \prod_{I=1}^2 \sigma_{\theta_{ab}^I}^{-} e^{i(-\theta_{ab}^I + \frac{1}{2})H_I} \sigma_{-\theta_{ab}^3}^{+} e^{i(-\theta_{ab}^3 - \frac{1}{2})H_3} e^{ikX}$$

$$bc : \quad V_{\chi}^{-\frac{1}{2}} = \Lambda_{bc} \chi^{\alpha} e^{-\varphi/2} S_{\alpha} \prod_{I=1}^2 \sigma_{\theta_{bc}^I}^{+} e^{i(\theta_{bc}^I - \frac{1}{2})H_I} \sigma_{-\theta_{bc}^3}^{-} e^{i(\theta_{bc}^3 + \frac{1}{2})H_3} e^{ikX}$$

$$cb : \quad V_{\bar{\chi}}^{-\frac{1}{2}} = \Lambda_{cb} \bar{\chi}_{\dot{\alpha}} e^{-\varphi/2} S^{\dot{\alpha}} \prod_{I=1}^2 \sigma_{\theta_{bc}^I}^{-} e^{i(-\theta_{bc}^I + \frac{1}{2})H_I} \sigma_{-\theta_{bc}^3}^{+} e^{i(-\theta_{bc}^3 - \frac{1}{2})H_3} e^{ikX}$$

Amplitude

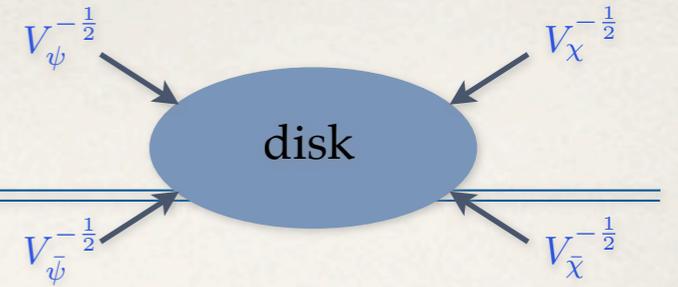


* Computing: $\mathcal{A} = \langle \bar{\psi}(0) \psi(x) \chi(1) \bar{\chi}(\infty) \rangle$

which takes the form:

$$\begin{aligned}
 \mathcal{A} &= \text{Tr} (\Lambda_{ba} \Lambda_{ab} \Lambda_{bc} \Lambda_{cb}) \bar{\psi}_{\dot{\alpha}} \psi^{\alpha} \chi^{\beta} \bar{\chi}_{\dot{\beta}} \\
 &\int_0^1 dx \langle e^{-\varphi/2(0)} e^{-\varphi/2(x)} e^{-\varphi/2(1)} e^{-\varphi/2(\infty)} \rangle \\
 &\times \langle S^{\dot{\alpha}}(0) S_{\alpha}(x) S_{\beta}(1) S^{\dot{\beta}}(\infty) \rangle \langle e^{ik_1 X(0)} e^{ik_2 X(x)} e^{ik_3 X(1)} e^{ik_4 X(\infty)} \rangle \\
 &\times \langle \sigma_{-\theta_{ab}^3}^{+}(0) \sigma_{-\theta_{ab}^3}^{-}(x) \sigma_{-\theta_{bc}^3}^{-}(1) \sigma_{-\theta_{bc}^3}^{+}(\infty) \rangle \\
 &\times \prod_{I=1}^2 \langle \sigma_{\theta_{ab}^I}^{-}(0) \sigma_{\theta_{ab}^I}^{+}(x) \sigma_{\theta_{bc}^I}^{+}(0) \sigma_{\theta_{bc}^I}^{-}(\infty) \rangle \\
 &\times \langle e^{i(-\theta_{ab}^3 - \frac{1}{2})H^3(0)} e^{i(\theta_{ab}^3 + \frac{1}{2})H^3(x)} e^{i(\theta_{bc}^3 + \frac{1}{2})H^3(1)} e^{i(-\theta_{bc}^3 - \frac{1}{2})H^3(\infty)} \rangle \\
 &\times \prod_{I=1}^2 \langle e^{i(-\theta_{ab}^I + \frac{1}{2})H^I(0)} e^{i(\theta_{ab}^I - \frac{1}{2})H^I(x)} e^{i(\theta_{bc}^I - \frac{1}{2})H^I(1)} e^{i(-\theta_{bc}^I + \frac{1}{2})H^I(\infty)} \rangle
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Amplitude



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$$\mathcal{A} = \text{Tr}(\Lambda_{ba} \Lambda_{ab} \Lambda_{bc} \Lambda_{cb}) \bar{\psi}_{\dot{\alpha}} \psi^{\alpha} \chi^{\beta} \bar{\chi}_{\dot{\beta}} [x(1-x)]^{-\frac{1}{4}} x_{\infty}^{-\frac{3}{4}}$$

$$\int_0^1 dx \langle e^{-\varphi/2(0)} e^{-\varphi/2(x)} e^{-\varphi/2(1)} e^{-\varphi/2(\infty)} \rangle$$

$$\epsilon_{\alpha\beta} \epsilon_{\dot{\alpha}\dot{\beta}} (1-x)^{-\frac{1}{2}} x_{\infty}^{-\frac{1}{2}} \times \langle S^{\dot{\alpha}}(0) S_{\alpha}(x) S_{\beta}(1) S^{\dot{\beta}}(\infty) \rangle \langle e^{ik_1 X(0)} e^{ik_2 X(x)} e^{ik_3 X(1)} e^{ik_4 X(\infty)} \rangle$$

$$\times \langle \sigma_{-\theta_{ab}^3}^{+}(0) \sigma_{-\theta_{ab}^3}^{-}(x) \sigma_{-\theta_{bc}^3}^{-}(1) \sigma_{-\theta_{bc}^3}^{+}(\infty) \rangle$$

$$x^{k_1 \cdot k_2} (1-x)^{k_2 \cdot k_3} x_{\infty}^{k_4(k_1+k_2+k_3)}$$

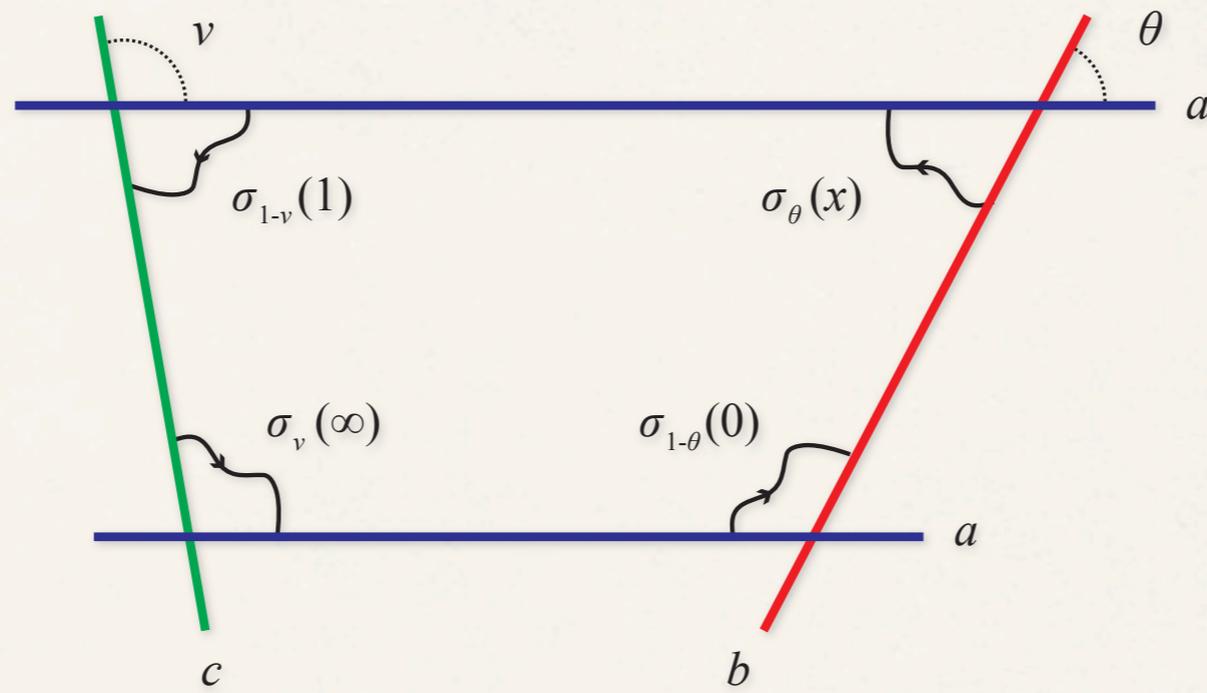
$$\times \prod_{I=1}^2 \langle \sigma_{\theta_{ab}^I}^{-}(0) \sigma_{\theta_{ab}^I}^{+}(x) \sigma_{\theta_{bc}^I}^{+}(0) \sigma_{\theta_{bc}^I}^{-}(\infty) \rangle$$



$$\times \langle e^{i(-\theta_{ab}^3 - \frac{1}{2})H^3(0)} e^{i(\theta_{ab}^3 + \frac{1}{2})H^3(x)} e^{i(\theta_{bc}^3 + \frac{1}{2})H^3(1)} e^{i(-\theta_{bc}^3 - \frac{1}{2})H^3(\infty)} \rangle$$

$$\times \prod_{I=1}^2 \langle e^{i(-\theta_{ab}^I + \frac{1}{2})H^I(0)} e^{i(\theta_{ab}^I - \frac{1}{2})H^I(x)} e^{i(\theta_{bc}^I - \frac{1}{2})H^I(1)} e^{i(-\theta_{bc}^I + \frac{1}{2})H^I(\infty)} \rangle$$

$$x^{(-\theta_{ab}^3 - \frac{1}{2})(\theta_{ab}^3 + \frac{1}{2})} (1-x)^{(\theta_{ab}^3 + \frac{1}{2})(\theta_{bc}^3 + \frac{1}{2})} x_{\infty}^{(-\theta_{bc}^3 - \frac{1}{2})((-\theta_{ab}^3 - \frac{1}{2}) + (\theta_{ab}^3 + \frac{1}{2}) + (\theta_{bc}^3 + \frac{1}{2}))}$$



The correlator: $\langle \sigma_{1-\theta}^+(0) \sigma_{\theta}^+(x) \sigma_{1-\nu}^+(1) \sigma_{\nu}^+(\infty) \rangle$

Recipe A

- * Extend via the “**doubling trick**” the upper half plane to the whole complex plane.
- * Quantum part is then computed by employing conformal field theory techniques (**energy momentum tensor method**) \rightsquigarrow analogous to the closed string derivation:

$$T(z)\Phi(w) \sim \frac{h_\Phi \Phi(w)}{(z-w)^2} + \frac{\partial_w \Phi(w)}{z-w} + \dots$$

$$\lim_{z \rightarrow z_2} \left(\frac{\langle T(z) \sigma_\alpha(z_1) \sigma_\beta(z_2) \sigma_\gamma(z_3) \sigma_\delta(z_4) \rangle}{\langle \sigma_\alpha(z_1) \sigma_\beta(z_2) \sigma_\gamma(z_3) \sigma_\delta(z_4) \rangle} - \frac{h_{\sigma_\beta}}{(z-z_2)^2} \right)$$

$$= \partial_{z_2} \ln \langle \sigma_\alpha(z_1) \sigma_\beta(z_2) \sigma_\gamma(z_3) \sigma_\delta(z_4) \rangle$$

- * The **classical part** is given by the sum over all quadrangles connecting the four chiral fields $e^{-\sum \frac{Area}{2\pi\alpha'}}$.
- * The final result is then given in the so-called **Lagrangian Form**.

Cvetic, Papadimitriou, Abel, Owen

Recipe A

- * **One** independent angle:

$$x_{\infty}^{\theta(1-\theta)} \langle \sigma_{1-\theta}(0) \sigma_{\theta}(x) \sigma_{1-\theta}(1) \sigma_{\theta}(\infty) \rangle = \sqrt{\sin(\pi\theta)} \frac{[x(1-x)]^{-\theta(1-\theta)}}{\sqrt{F(x)F(1-x)}} \\ \times \sum_{\tilde{p} \in \Lambda_p, \tilde{q} \in \Lambda_q^*} \exp \left[-\frac{\pi}{\alpha'} \sin(\pi\theta) F(x)F(1-x) \left(\left(\frac{\tilde{p}L_a}{F(1-x)} \right)^2 + \left(\frac{qL_b}{F(x)} \right)^2 \right) \right]$$

- * **Two** independent angles:

$$x_{\infty}^{\nu(1-\nu)} \langle \sigma_{1-\theta}(0) \sigma_{\theta}(x) \sigma_{1-\nu}(1) \sigma_{\nu}(\infty) \rangle = \frac{x^{-\theta(1-\theta)} (1-x)^{-\theta(1-\nu)}}{{}_2F_1[\theta, 1-\nu, 1, x]} \sqrt{\frac{\sin(\pi\theta)}{t(x)}} \\ \times \sum_{\tilde{p}, q} \exp \left[-\pi \frac{\sin(\pi\theta)}{t(x)} \frac{L_a^2}{\alpha'} \tilde{p}^2 - \pi \frac{t(x)}{\sin(\pi\theta)} \frac{R_1^2 R_2^2}{\alpha' L_a^2} q^2 \right].$$

with: $t(x) = \frac{\sin(\pi\theta)}{2\pi} \left(\frac{\Gamma(\theta) \Gamma(1-\nu)}{\Gamma(1+\theta-\nu)} \frac{{}_2F_1[\theta, 1-\nu, 1+\theta-\nu; 1-x]}{{}_2F_1[\theta, 1-\nu, 1; x]} \right. \\ \left. + \frac{\Gamma(\nu) \Gamma(1-\theta)}{\Gamma(1+\nu-\theta)} \frac{{}_2F_1[1-\theta, \nu, 1-\theta+\nu; 1-x]}{{}_2F_1[1-\theta, \nu, 1; x]} \right)$

Recipe B

- * A generic **closed** twisted-field correlator takes the form:

$$\mathcal{A}_{closed} = |K(z)|^2 \sum_{\vec{k}, \vec{v}} c_{\vec{k}\vec{v}} w(z)^{\frac{\alpha' p_L^2}{4}} \bar{w}(\bar{z})^{\frac{\alpha' p_R^2}{4}}$$

where $w(z)$ is holomorphic, $\vec{k}, \vec{v} \in \Lambda^*$ and

$$p_L^2 = \left(\vec{k} + \frac{\vec{v}}{\alpha'} \right)^2 \quad p_R^2 = \left(\vec{k} - \frac{\vec{v}}{\alpha'} \right)^2$$

- * The **open** twisted-field correlator will look like (**Hamiltonian Form**):

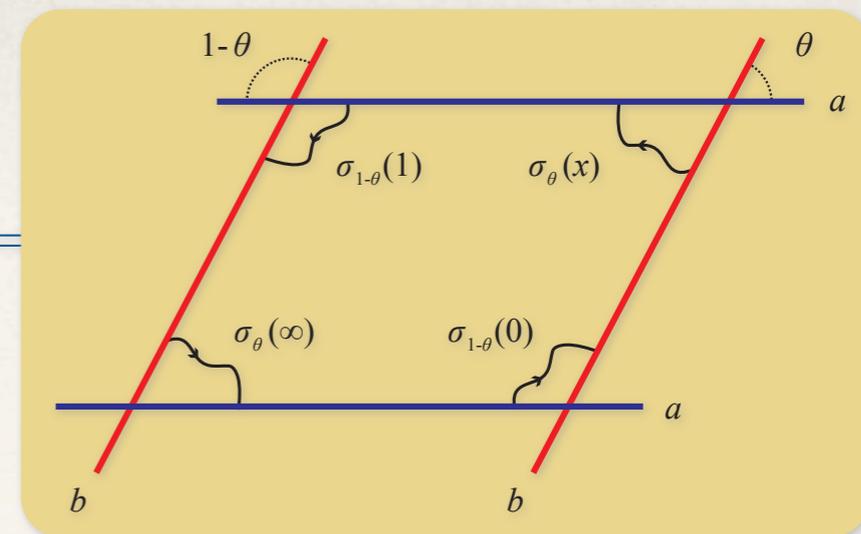
$$\mathcal{A}_{open} = K(x) \sum_{p,q} c_{p,q} w(x)^{\alpha' p_{open}^2}$$

where for the **simple case** of a D₁-brane we have:

$$p_{open}^2 = \frac{1}{L^2} p^2 + \frac{1}{\alpha'^2} \frac{R_1^2 R_2^2}{L^2} q^2$$

- * Our task is to **bring** the *closed* correlator to the **above form** and get the *open* one.

Correlator: One angle



- The **closed string** result has the form:

$$|z_\infty|^{2\theta(1-\theta)} \left\langle \sigma_{1-\theta}(0) \sigma_\theta(z, \bar{z}) \sigma_{1-\theta}(1) \sigma_\theta(\infty) \right\rangle$$

$$= \frac{\mathcal{C}}{V_\Lambda} \frac{|z(1-z)|^{-2\theta(1-\theta)}}{|{}_2F_1[\theta, 1-\theta; z]|^2} \times \sum_{k \in \Lambda^*, v_1 \in \Lambda_c} \exp[-2\pi i f_{23} \cdot k] w(z)^{\frac{1}{2}(k+\frac{v}{2})^2} \bar{w}(\bar{z})^{\frac{1}{2}(k-\frac{v}{2})^2}$$

where $w(z) = \exp\left[\frac{i\pi\tau(z)}{\sin(\pi\theta)}\right]$ and $\tau(z) = \tau_1 + i\tau_2 = i \frac{{}_2F_1[\theta, 1-\theta; 1-z]}{{}_2F_1[\theta, 1-\theta; z]}$.

Dixon, Friedan, Martinec, Shenker

- The **open string** result has the form:

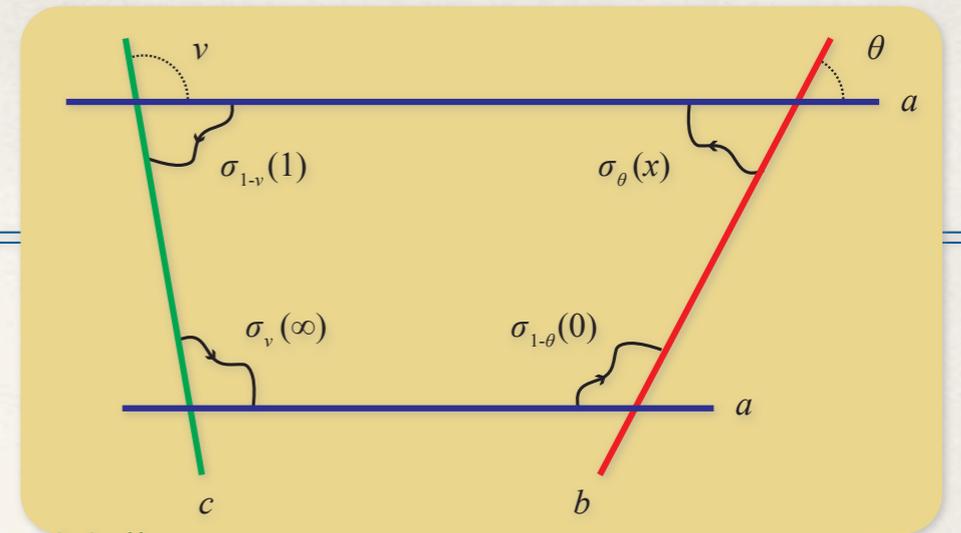
$$x^{\theta(1-\theta)} \left\langle \sigma_{1-\theta}(0) \sigma_\theta(x) \sigma_{1-\theta}(1) \sigma_\theta(\infty) \right\rangle = \frac{L_a [x(1-x)]^{-\theta(1-\theta)}}{\alpha' {}_2F_1[\theta, 1-\theta; x]} \sum_{p,q} w(x) \left(\frac{\alpha'}{L_a^2} p^2 + \frac{1}{\alpha'} \frac{R_1^2 R_2^2}{L_a^2} q^2 \right)$$

where $w(x) = \exp\left[-\frac{\pi t(x)}{\sin(\pi\theta)}\right]$ and $t(x) = \frac{1}{2i} (\tau(x) - \bar{\tau}(x)) = \frac{{}_2F_1[\theta, 1-\theta; 1-x]}{{}_2F_1[\theta, 1-\theta; x]}$.

after Poisson resummation the **same result** as via recipe A.

Correlator: Two angles

- Following the **same recipe**, we get (original closed result is far **too complicated** to display here):



Burwick, Kaiser, Muller

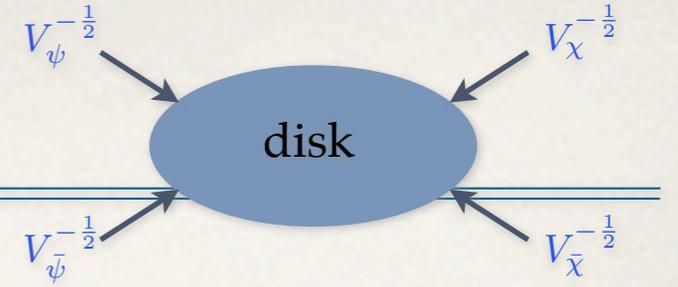
$$x_{\infty}^{\nu(1-\nu)} \left\langle \sigma_{1-\theta}(0) \sigma_{\theta}(x) \sigma_{1-\nu}(1) \sigma_{\nu}(\infty) \right\rangle = \frac{\sqrt{\alpha'} x^{-\theta(1-\theta)} (1-x)^{-\theta(1-\nu)}}{L_a} \sum_{p,q} w(x) \left(\frac{\alpha'}{L_a^2} p^2 + \frac{1}{\alpha'} \frac{R_1^2 R_2^2}{L_a^2} q^2 \right)$$

with the $w(x) = \exp \left[-\frac{\pi t(x)}{\sin(\pi\theta)} \right]$ and

$$t(x) = \frac{\sin(\pi\theta)}{2\pi} \left(\frac{\Gamma(\theta) \Gamma(1-\nu)}{\Gamma(1+\theta-\nu)} \frac{{}_2F_1[\theta, 1-\nu, 1+\theta-\nu; 1-x]}{{}_2F_1[\theta, 1-\nu, 1; x]} + \frac{\Gamma(\nu) \Gamma(1-\theta)}{\Gamma(1+\nu-\theta)} \frac{{}_2F_1[1-\theta, \nu, 1-\theta+\nu; 1-x]}{{}_2F_1[1-\theta, \nu, 1; x]} \right)$$

- Again after Poisson resummation the **same result** as obtained via recipe A.

Amplitude (Back)



* Computing: $\mathcal{A} = \langle \bar{\psi}(0) \psi(x) \chi(1) \bar{\chi}(\infty) \rangle$

which takes the form:

$$\mathcal{A} = \text{Tr}(\Lambda_{ba} \Lambda_{ab} \Lambda_{bc} \Lambda_{cb}) \bar{\psi}_{\dot{\alpha}} \psi^{\alpha} \chi^{\beta} \bar{\chi}_{\dot{\beta}} [x(1-x)]^{-\frac{1}{4}} x_{\infty}^{-\frac{3}{4}}$$

$$\int_0^1 dx \langle e^{-\varphi/2(0)} e^{-\varphi/2(x)} e^{-\varphi/2(1)} e^{-\varphi/2(\infty)} \rangle$$

$$\epsilon_{\alpha\beta} \epsilon_{\dot{\alpha}\dot{\beta}} (1-x)^{-\frac{1}{2}} x_{\infty}^{-\frac{1}{2}} \times \langle S^{\dot{\alpha}}(0) S_{\alpha}(x) S_{\beta}(1) S^{\dot{\beta}}(\infty) \rangle \langle e^{ik_1 X(0)} e^{ik_2 X(x)} e^{ik_3 X(1)} e^{ik_4 X(\infty)} \rangle$$

$$\times \langle \sigma_{-\theta_{ab}^3}^{+}(0) \sigma_{-\theta_{ab}^3}^{-}(x) \sigma_{-\theta_{bc}^3}^{-}(1) \sigma_{-\theta_{bc}^3}^{+}(\infty) \rangle$$

$$x^{k_1 \cdot k_2} (1-x)^{k_2 \cdot k_3} x_{\infty}^{k_4(k_1+k_2+k_3)}$$



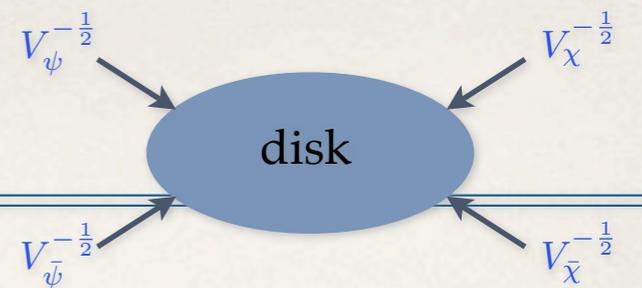
$$\times \prod_{I=1}^2 \langle \sigma_{\theta_{ab}^I}^{-}(0) \sigma_{\theta_{ab}^I}^{+}(x) \sigma_{\theta_{bc}^I}^{+}(0) \sigma_{\theta_{bc}^I}^{-}(\infty) \rangle$$

$$\times \langle e^{i(-\theta_{ab}^3 - \frac{1}{2})H^3(0)} e^{i(\theta_{ab}^3 + \frac{1}{2})H^3(x)} e^{i(\theta_{bc}^3 + \frac{1}{2})H^3(1)} e^{i(-\theta_{bc}^3 - \frac{1}{2})H^3(\infty)} \rangle$$

$$\times \prod_{I=1}^2 \langle e^{i(-\theta_{ab}^I + \frac{1}{2})H^I(0)} e^{i(\theta_{ab}^I - \frac{1}{2})H^I(x)} e^{i(\theta_{bc}^I - \frac{1}{2})H^I(1)} e^{i(-\theta_{bc}^I + \frac{1}{2})H^I(\infty)} \rangle$$

$$x^{(-\theta_{ab}^3 - \frac{1}{2})(\theta_{ab}^3 + \frac{1}{2})} (1-x)^{(\theta_{ab}^3 + \frac{1}{2})(\theta_{bc}^3 + \frac{1}{2})} x_{\infty}^{(-\theta_{bc}^3 - \frac{1}{2})((-\theta_{ab}^3 - \frac{1}{2}) + (\theta_{ab}^3 + \frac{1}{2}) + (\theta_{bc}^3 + \frac{1}{2}))}$$

Amplitude (Back)



* Computing: $\mathcal{A} = \langle \bar{\psi}(0) \psi(x) \chi(1) \bar{\chi}(\infty) \rangle$

which takes the form:

$$\mathcal{A} = \text{Tr}(\Lambda_{ba} \Lambda_{ab} \Lambda_{bc} \Lambda_{cb}) \bar{\psi}_{\dot{\alpha}} \psi^{\alpha} \chi^{\beta} \bar{\chi}_{\dot{\beta}} [x(1-x)]^{-\frac{1}{4}} x_{\infty}^{-\frac{3}{4}}$$

$$\int_0^1 dx \langle e^{-\varphi/2(0)} e^{-\varphi/2(x)} e^{-\varphi/2(1)} e^{-\varphi/2(\infty)} \rangle$$

$$\epsilon_{\alpha\beta} \epsilon_{\dot{\alpha}\dot{\beta}} (1-x)^{-\frac{1}{2}} x_{\infty}^{-\frac{1}{2}} \times \langle S^{\dot{\alpha}}(0) S_{\alpha}(x) S_{\beta}(1) S^{\dot{\beta}}(\infty) \rangle \langle e^{ik_1 X(0)} e^{ik_2 X(x)} e^{ik_3 X(1)} e^{ik_4 X(\infty)} \rangle$$

$$\times \langle \sigma_{-\theta_{ab}^3}^{+}(0) \sigma_{-\theta_{ab}^3}^{-}(x) \sigma_{-\theta_{bc}^3}^{-}(1) \sigma_{-\theta_{bc}^3}^{+}(\infty) \rangle$$

$$x^{k_1 \cdot k_2} (1-x)^{k_2 \cdot k_3} x_{\infty}^{k_4(k_1+k_2+k_3)}$$



$$\times \prod_{I=1}^2 \langle \sigma_{\theta_{ab}^I}^{-}(0) \sigma_{\theta_{ab}^I}^{+}(x) \sigma_{\theta_{bc}^I}^{+}(1) \sigma_{\theta_{bc}^I}^{-}(\infty) \rangle$$

$$\times \langle e^{i(-\theta_{ab}^3 - \frac{1}{2})H^3(0)} e^{i(\theta_{ab}^3 + \frac{1}{2})H^3(x)} e^{i(\theta_{bc}^3 + \frac{1}{2})H^3(1)} e^{i(-\theta_{bc}^3 - \frac{1}{2})H^3(\infty)} \rangle$$

$$\times \prod_{I=1}^2 \langle e^{i(-\theta_{ab}^I + \frac{1}{2})H^I(0)} e^{i(\theta_{ab}^I - \frac{1}{2})H^I(x)} e^{i(\theta_{bc}^I - \frac{1}{2})H^I(1)} e^{i(-\theta_{bc}^I + \frac{1}{2})H^I(\infty)} \rangle$$

$$x^{(-\theta_{ab}^3 - \frac{1}{2})(\theta_{ab}^3 + \frac{1}{2})} (1-x)^{(\theta_{ab}^3 + \frac{1}{2})(\theta_{bc}^3 + \frac{1}{2})} x_{\infty}^{(-\theta_{bc}^3 - \frac{1}{2})((-\theta_{ab}^3 - \frac{1}{2}) + (\theta_{ab}^3 + \frac{1}{2}) + (\theta_{bc}^3 + \frac{1}{2}))}$$

Amplitude

- Combining all together we get:

$$\mathcal{A} = ig_s \mathcal{C} \text{Tr} (\Lambda_{ba} \Lambda_{ab} \Lambda_{bc} \Lambda_{cb}) \bar{\psi} \cdot \bar{\chi} \psi \cdot \chi (2\pi)^4 \delta^{(4)} \left(\sum_i^4 k_i \right) \\ \times \int_0^1 dx \frac{x^{-1+k_1 \cdot k_2} (1-x)^{-\frac{3}{2}+k_2 \cdot k_3} e^{-S_{cl}(\theta_{ab}^1, 1-\theta_{bc}^1)} e^{-S_{cl}(\theta_{ab}^2, 1-\theta_{bc}^2)} e^{-S_{cl}(1+\theta_{ab}^3, -\theta_{bc}^3)}}{[I(\theta_{ab}^1, 1-\theta_{bc}^1, x) I(\theta_{ab}^2, 1-\theta_{bc}^2, x) I(1+\theta_{ab}^3, -\theta_{bc}^3, x)]^{\frac{1}{2}}}$$

where

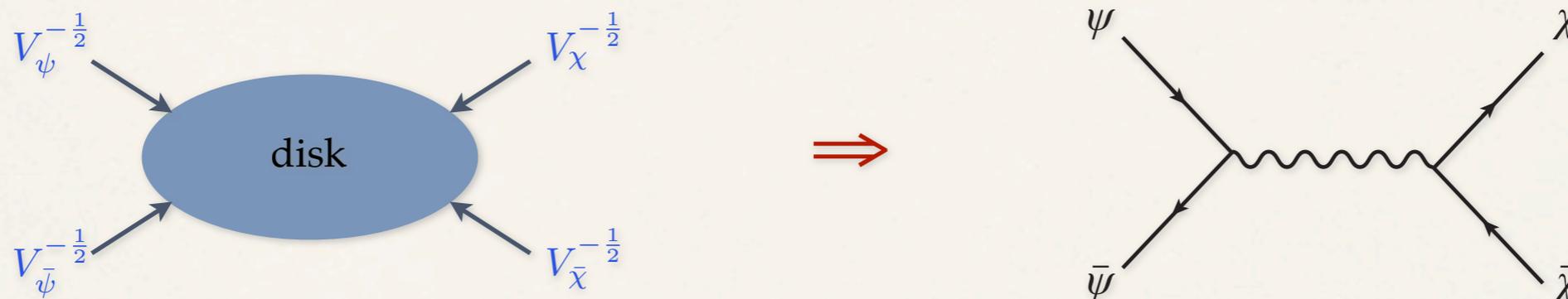
$$I(\theta, \nu, x) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \left\{ \frac{\Gamma(\theta) \Gamma(1-\nu)}{\Gamma(1+\theta-\nu)} {}_2F_1[1-\theta, \nu, 1; x] {}_2F_1[\theta, 1-\nu, 1+\theta-\nu; 1-x] \right. \\ \left. + \frac{\Gamma(\nu) \Gamma(1-\theta)}{\Gamma(1+\nu-\theta)} {}_2F_1[\theta, 1-\nu, 1; x] {}_2F_1[1-\theta, \nu, 1-\theta+\nu; 1-x] \right\}$$

$$e^{-S_{cl}(\theta, \nu)} = \sum_{\tilde{p}_i, q_i} \exp \left[-\pi \frac{\sin(\pi\theta)}{t(\theta, \nu, x)} \frac{L_{bi}^2}{\alpha'} \tilde{p}_i^2 - \pi \frac{t(\theta, \nu, x)}{\sin(\pi\theta)} \frac{R_{xi}^2 R_{yi}^2}{\alpha' L_{bi}^2} q_i^2 \right]$$

- Finally, we need to **normalize** the amplitude.

Amplitude at the s-channel ($x \rightarrow 0$)

- At the limit $x \rightarrow 0$ the amplitude **factorizes** on the exchange of a **gauge boson**:



- that allows to normalize the amplitude ($p_i = q_i = 0$)

$$A_4(k_1, k_2, k_3, k_4) = i \int \frac{d^4k d^4k'}{(2\pi)^4} \frac{\sum_g A_\mu^g(k_1, k_2, k) A^{g,\mu}(k_3, k_4, k') \delta^{(4)}(k - k')}{k^2 - i\epsilon}$$

with

$$A_\mu^g(k_1, k_2, k_3) = i \sqrt{(2\pi)^4 \frac{\alpha'^{3/2} g_s}{\prod_{i=1}^3 2\pi L_{b_i}}} \overset{g_{D6_b}}{(2\pi)^4 \delta^{(4)} \left(\sum_{i=1}^3 k_i \right) \bar{\psi} \sigma^\mu \psi \text{Tr}(\Lambda_{ba} \Lambda_{ab} \Lambda_{bb})}$$

- Comparing the two results we **normalize** the amplitude to: $\mathcal{C} = 2\pi$.

Amplitude at the s-channel ($x \rightarrow 0$)

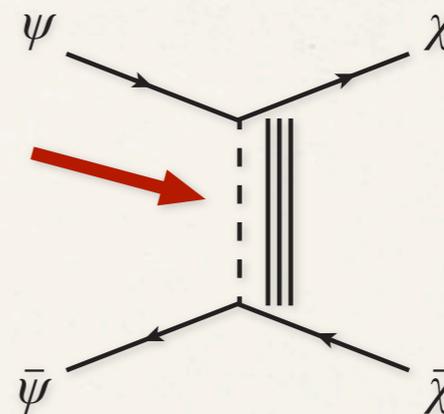
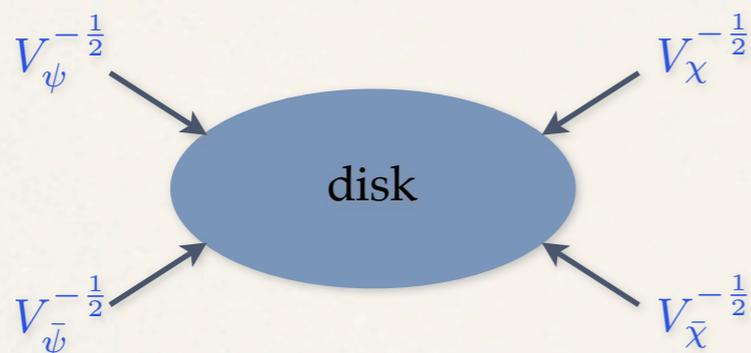
- At the limit $x \rightarrow 0$ there are other (**higher order**) poles corresponding to other massive exchanges:



- Other poles that arise from $p_i \neq 0 \neq q_i$, they correspond to **KK** and **winding states** exchanges.
- Additional poles from higher order poles of the “**quantum part**” corresponding to **Regge excitations**.
- Similar pole structure than the behavior of amplitudes containing at most two chiral fermions. Thus “**universal behavior**” dressed with poles arising from **KK** and **winding states**.

Amplitude at the t-channel ($x \rightarrow 1$)

- In the limit $x \rightarrow 1$ the amplitude **factorizes** on the exchange of **scalar particles**



- In **this limit** the amplitude takes the form (**SUSY** preserved, **ignore** WS-instantons):

etc... $\Gamma_{\alpha,\beta,\gamma} = \frac{\Gamma(\alpha)\Gamma(\beta)\Gamma(\gamma)}{\Gamma(1-\alpha)\Gamma(1-\beta)\Gamma(1-\gamma)}$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \mathcal{A} = & \bar{\psi} \cdot \bar{\chi} \psi \cdot \chi \int_{1-\epsilon}^1 dx (1-x)^{-1+k_2 \cdot k_3} \Gamma_{1-\theta_{ab}^1, 1-\theta_{bc}^1, \theta_{ab}^1 + \theta_{bc}^1}^{-\frac{1}{2}} \Gamma_{1-\theta_{ab}^2, 1-\theta_{bc}^2, \theta_{ab}^2 + \theta_{bc}^2}^{-\frac{1}{2}} \Gamma_{-\theta_{ab}^3, -\theta_{bc}^3, 2+\theta_{ab}^3 + \theta_{bc}^3}^{-\frac{1}{2}} \\
 & \times \left[\left(1 + \frac{\Gamma_{1-\theta_{ab}^1, 1-\theta_{bc}^1, \theta_{ab}^1 + \theta_{bc}^1}}{\Gamma_{\theta_{ab}^1, \theta_{bc}^1, 2-\theta_{ab}^1 - \theta_{bc}^1}} (1-x)^{2(1-\theta_{ab}^1 - \theta_{bc}^1)} \right) \right. \\
 & \times \left(1 + \frac{\Gamma_{1-\theta_{ab}^2, 1-\theta_{bc}^2, \theta_{ab}^2 + \theta_{bc}^2}}{\Gamma_{\theta_{ab}^2, \theta_{bc}^2, 2-\theta_{ab}^2 - \theta_{bc}^2}} (1-x)^{2(1-\theta_{ab}^2 - \theta_{bc}^2)} \right) \\
 & \left. \times \left(1 + \frac{\Gamma_{-\theta_{ab}^3, -\theta_{bc}^3, 2+\theta_{ab}^3 + \theta_{bc}^3}}{\Gamma_{1+\theta_{ab}^3, 1+\theta_{bc}^3, -\theta_{ab}^3 - \theta_{bc}^3}} (1-x)^{2(-\theta_{ab}^3 - \theta_{bc}^3 - 1)} \right) \right]^{-\frac{1}{2}}
 \end{aligned}$$

massless scalar exchange

Subdominant poles

- * Assuming that $1 - \theta_{ab}^1 - \theta_{bc}^1 = -\theta_{ca}^1$ is small, the amplitude becomes:

$$\mathcal{A} = \bar{\psi} \cdot \bar{\chi} \psi \cdot \chi \int_{1-\epsilon}^1 dx (1-x)^{-1+k_2 \cdot k_3} Y_{\psi\chi\phi}^2 \left(1 + c_1 (1-x)^{2(1-\theta_{ab}^1 - \theta_{bc}^1)} + \dots \right)$$

- * Thus we have the **exchange** of:

- a **massless** scalar $\Phi: \prod_I \psi_{-1/2-\theta_{ca}^I} | \theta_{1,2,3}^{ca} \rangle_{NS}$

- a **massive** scalar $\tilde{\Phi}: (\alpha_{\theta_{ca}^1})^2 \prod_I \psi_{-1/2-\theta_{ca}^I} | \theta_{1,2,3}^{ca} \rangle_{NS}$ with $M^2 = -2\theta_{ca}^1 M_s^2$.

- * Note that there is **no coupling** to the lightest massive field with mass $M^2 = -\theta_{ca}^1 M_s^2$.

- * This is can be traced back to the fact that the **two bosonic twist fields** σ_α and σ_β do not couple to the excited twist field $\tau_{\alpha+\beta}$, but only to an even excited twist field.

$$\sigma_\alpha(w) \sigma_\beta(z) \sim C_\sigma (z-w)^{-\alpha\beta} \sigma_{\alpha+\beta} + C_\rho (z-w)^{-\alpha\beta+2-2\alpha-2\beta} \rho_{\alpha+\beta}$$

Further poles

- * The **exchange particle** is a **scalar field**, thus the signatures induced by the tower $(\alpha_{\theta_{ca}^1})^m \prod_I \psi_{-1/2-\theta_{ca}^I} |0\rangle$ resembles signatures of **KK states** in extra-dimensional theories.
- * Above just the first **sub-dominant poles**, but there are many more poles.
- * In case the fermions are too much separated in the internal manifold **WS-instantons cannot be ignored**; poles arising from them correspond to **exchanges of KK** and **winding** excitations.
- * There are also integer poles, that correspond to exchange of **Higher Spin states**.
- * Other poles that correspond to exchanges of **massive scalar fields** whose mass is non-vanishing even for **vanishing intersection angles**.
- * **Rich spectrum** of signatures, but the first once to be observed correspond to lightest string states.

Conclusions

- * We have studied the spectrum of **open strings** localized at the **intersections** of D6-branes.
- * The **masses** of such states scale as $M^2 \approx \theta M_s^2$ and can thus be parametrically **smaller** than the **string scale** if the relevant angle is small.
- * We have considered scattering amplitudes that expose such **light stringy states**.

Along the computation

Give a **description** to formulate the **vertex operators** for states localized at intersections.

Rederived the four bosonic twist field correlator with one and two independent angles.

- * Investigated s- and t-channel and found poles corresponding to **light stringy states**.
- * Assuming a scenario with a **low string scale**, these states may be observable at LHC.
- * However further poles corresponding to **KK** and **winding** states, as well as **Higher Spin states**



Rich spectrum of signatures