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$$A_\sigma(k, n) = \int_{SL(2, \mathbb{C})_n} \prod_a dX_a \ S(X_S) \prod_{a \neq b} P_{ab}$$

gauge fixing

Kernel:

$$P_{ab} = \int_{\mathbb{C}P^1} \Omega \langle X_{a2}^\dagger, X_{a2}^\dagger \rangle^{-1-i\epsilon_{ab}-n_{ab}} \langle X_{a2}^\dagger, \Sigma_{ab} \rangle^{2n_{ab}} \times \langle X_{b2}^\dagger, X_{b2}^\dagger \rangle^{-1+i\epsilon_{ab}-n_{ab}} \langle \prod \Sigma_{ba}, X_{b2}^\dagger \rangle^{2n_{ab}}$$

where: \langle, \rangle Hermitian inner product on \mathbb{C}^2
 $\{ \} \in \mathbb{C}^2$ are CS in the $k = \frac{1}{2}$ representation
 $(n, p) = (k, rk)$

II Asymptotic analysis

Semi-classical limit:

$$\text{Area}(ab) \sim 8\pi\hbar \gamma k_{ab}$$

$\hbar \rightarrow 0$ keeping $\text{Area}(ab)$ fixed

\hookrightarrow All spins rescaled $k_{ab} \rightarrow \lambda k_{ab}$ with
 $\lambda \rightarrow \infty$

II.1 Asymptotic problem and critical points

Notation: $Z_{ab} = X_a^\dagger z_{ab}$, $Z_b = X_b^\dagger z_{ab}$
 $a < b$

Amplitude rewritten as:

$$A_c(k, n) = \int_{SL(2, \mathbb{C})_n} \prod_a dx_a S(x_s) \int_{\mathbb{C}P^1} \prod_{a < b} \Omega_{ab} e^{\lambda S_{\text{kin}}[X, z]}$$

$$A_{ab} = \frac{1}{\Omega} \frac{1}{\langle z_{ab}, z_{ab} \rangle \langle z_{ba}, z_{ba} \rangle}$$

with the action S given by :

$$S_{k,n}[X, z] = \sum_{a < b} k_{ab} \ln \frac{\langle z_{ab}, \zeta_{ab} \rangle^2 \langle \zeta_{ba}, z_{ba} \rangle^2}{\langle z_{ab}, z_{ab} \rangle \langle z_{ba}, z_{ba} \rangle} + i k_{ab} \ln \frac{\langle z_{ba}, z_{ba} \rangle}{\langle z_{ab}, z_{ab} \rangle}$$

↳ Asymptotics of A_{ab} can be computed using stationary phase

Asymptotic formula dominated by critical points of S , i.e., stationary points ($\delta S = 0$) for which $\text{Re } S$ is a maximum

Critical points :

i) Condition on $\text{Re } S$

$$\text{Re } S \leq 0$$

$$\text{Re } S = 0$$

$$\Leftrightarrow (1) \quad (X_a^+)^{-1} \zeta_{ab} = \frac{\|z_{ba}\|}{\|z_{ab}\|} e^{i\theta_{ab}} (X_b^+)^{-1} \zeta_{ba}$$

$$\forall a < b$$

$$\theta_{ab} \text{ is a phase, } \|z\|^2 = \langle X, X \rangle$$

∂_{ab} is a phase, $\|z\|^2 = \langle x, x \rangle$

(i) Evaluation δS on (1)

$$\begin{aligned} \textcircled{*} \int_{\text{on shell}} \delta_{2ab} S &= 0 \\ \Leftrightarrow \forall a < b \quad X_a \delta_{ab} &= \frac{\|z\|^2}{\|z\|^2} e^{i\theta_{ab}} X_b \delta_{ba} \quad (2) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \textcircled{*} \delta X &= X \cdot L, \quad \delta X^\dagger = L^\dagger \cdot X^\dagger \\ L &\in \mathfrak{nl}(2,4)_{\mathbb{R}} \end{aligned}$$

$$\int_{X_a} \delta S = 0 \quad \text{on shell} \Leftrightarrow \forall a, \sum_{b: b \neq a} k_b n_{ab} = 0 \quad (3)$$

Use: $L = L^i J_i + \pi^i K_i, \quad L^i, \pi^i \in \mathbb{R}$

$$J_i = \frac{i}{2} G_i, \quad K_i = \frac{1}{2} G_i$$

$$(\mathfrak{nl}(2,4)_{\mathbb{R}} = (\mathfrak{no}(2,4)_{\mathbb{R}})_{\mathbb{R}} = \mathfrak{no}(2) \oplus i\mathfrak{so}(2))$$

+ properties of CS

II.2 Geometry of critical points

Idea: bivectorology

Geometry of critical points: spinors \leftrightarrow null vectors

Identification :

$$i) \quad \gamma : \mathbb{R}^{3,1} \rightarrow \mathbb{H}$$

$$x \mapsto \gamma(x) = x^0 \mathbb{1} + x^i \sigma_i$$

\mathbb{H} : 2×2 hermitian matrices

$$\det \gamma(x) = -\eta(x, x) \quad , \quad \eta = -+++$$

$$ii) \quad \mathbb{H}_0^+ = \{ h \in \mathbb{H} \mid \det h = 0, \text{tr} h > 0 \}$$

$\hookrightarrow \gamma$ identifies future null cone

$$\mathbb{C}^+ \subset \mathbb{R}^{3,1} \quad \text{with} \quad \mathbb{H}_0^+ \subset \mathbb{H}$$

$$iii) \quad \mathcal{S} : \mathbb{C}^+ \rightarrow \mathbb{H}_0^+$$

$$z \mapsto \mathcal{S}(z) = z \otimes z^+ = \begin{pmatrix} |z|^2 & z_0 \bar{z}_1 \\ z_1 \bar{z}_0 & |z|^2 \end{pmatrix}$$

\hookrightarrow Define a map

$$\alpha : \mathbb{C}^+ \rightarrow \mathbb{C}^+ \subset \mathbb{R}^{3,1}$$

The map α associates 2 null vectors to the coherent state ψ :

$$\alpha(\psi) = \frac{1}{2} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ \vec{n} \end{pmatrix}$$

time component spatial part

$$\iota(\zeta) = \frac{1}{2} (1, -\vec{n})$$

$$\zeta(\zeta) = \zeta \otimes \zeta^+ = \frac{1}{2} (11 + \sigma \cdot n) \xrightarrow{Y^{-1}} \frac{1}{2} (1, \vec{n})$$

From these 2 vectors, construct the bivector

$$b = 2 * \iota(\zeta) \wedge \zeta = * \zeta \wedge \mathcal{N}$$

$$* : \Lambda^2(\mathbb{R}^{3,n}) \rightarrow \Lambda^2(\mathbb{R}^{3,n}) \quad \text{Hodge}$$

$(1, \vec{0}) \quad \nearrow \quad \nwarrow \quad (0, \vec{n})$

$$b = * \begin{bmatrix} 0 & \vec{n} \\ \vec{\tau} & \bigcirc \end{bmatrix} \quad \leftarrow \text{3x3 matrix}$$

To each coherent state ζ_{ab} , associate the bivector

$$B_{ab} = k_{ab} \hat{X}_a \otimes \hat{X}_a b_{ab}$$

$$\hat{X}_a \in \mathfrak{so}(3,1)$$

Critical point equations relate to the Barrett-Crane constraints for bivectors

$$B_{ab} = \mu B_{ab}(\sigma) \quad \mu = \pm 1$$

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 bivectors of a geometric
 k -simplex σ in \mathbb{R}^n

III Asymptotic formula

On the critical points,

$$S_{k,n} = i \sum_{a,b} k_{ab} \ln \frac{\|z_{ab}\|^2}{\|z\|^2} + 2k_{ab} \theta_{ab}$$

Couple eqns (1) and (2):

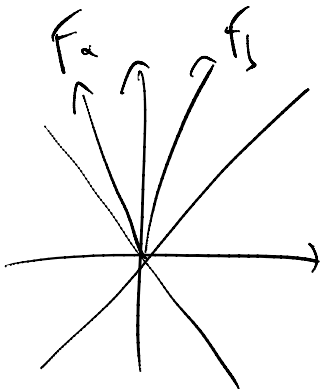
$$X_a^{-1} X_b X_b^+ (X_a^+)^{-1} \zeta_{ab} = \frac{\|z_{ab}\|^2}{\|z\|^2} \zeta_{ab}$$

Using $(J,n) \zeta = \frac{i}{2} \zeta$, $(K,n) \zeta = \frac{1}{2} \zeta$

$$X_a^{-1} X_b X_b^+ (X_a^+)^{-1} = e^{2 \operatorname{rad} K_{ab}}$$

$$= g(\operatorname{rad}) \begin{pmatrix} e^{\operatorname{rad}} & 0 \\ 0 & e^{-\operatorname{rad}} \end{pmatrix} g(\operatorname{rad})^{-1}$$

$$e^{\operatorname{rad}} = \frac{\|z_{ab}\|^2}{\|z\|^2}$$



Thick wedges
 [Marrett, Foxton '96]

$$\cosh \theta_{ab} = -F_a \circ F_b$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \operatorname{tr}(\gamma(F_a)^{-1} \gamma(F_b))$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{1}{2} \ln (X_a)^{-1} X_a^{-1} X_b X_b^{\dagger} = \cosh r_{ab}$$

$$V(F_a) = X_a X_a^{\dagger} = \cosh \Theta_{ab}$$

$$\Rightarrow |\Theta_{ab}| = |r_{ab}|$$

Concise choice of phase : $\Theta_{ab} = 0$

Action at critical points :

$$S_{k,n} = iV \sum_{a < b} k_{ab} \Theta_{ab} \quad \text{Regge action}$$

III.2 Asymptotic formula

$$A_c(\lambda, k, n) \sim \left(\frac{1}{\lambda}\right)^n \left[N_+ e^{i\lambda V \sum_{a < b} k_{ab} \Theta_{ab}} + N_- e^{-i\lambda V \sum_{a < b} k_{ab} \Theta_{ab}} \right]$$

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 Parity related solutions