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Abstract: The path integral over reparametrization modes in one dimension played an important role in the duality between JT gravity and the SYK model. In this talk, I will explain that the reparametrization modes are important also in certain computations involving the string worldsheet with boundaries. A few cases in which it is expected to play a crucial role are the Wilson loop expectation value in confining string, open strings with massive endpoints, and the string dual to the half-BPS Wilson loop in  $N=4$  supersymmetric Yang-Mills. After reviewing these cases briefly, I will focus on the last case and explain how to compute the correlation function on the BPS Wilson loop from the string worldsheet in the conformal gauge. In particular, I will show that the inclusion of the reparametrization modes is crucial for reproducing the answer obtained previously in the static gauge. I will then use the reparametrization mode path integral to study the four-point functions in the out-of-time-ordered configuration and obtain an exact answer in a double-scaling regime interpolating between the Lyapunov regime and the late-time exponential decay. Interestingly the result has exactly the same functional form as in JT gravity although the actions for the reparametrization modes are different.

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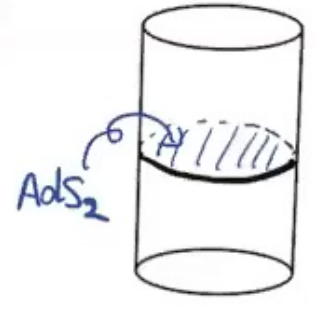
with Simone Giombi, Bendeguz Offenaler



## A (intentionally) technical summary

-  $\frac{1}{2}$  BPS Wilson loop in  $\mathcal{N}=4$  SYM.

$\rightsquigarrow$  Dual to  $AdS_2$  string  $\subset AdS_5 \times S^5$



- Study correlation functions on the string

$$\text{--- } \Phi^i \text{ --- } \Phi^j \text{ --- } \Phi^k \text{ ---} = \text{--- } \text{---}$$

- In conformal gauge, the reparametrization mode at the body of the worldsheet plays a key role.

- It allows us to compute exact OTQC in the double-scaling limit. (non-Schwarzian maximal chaos)



## Answer

Reparametrization modes are important  
also in other problems

- JT gravity / SYK model

- String worldsheet with boundaries

( $\frac{1}{2}$  BPS WL is perhaps the simplest of  
of such setups)



# Plan

1. Why reparametrization modes?
2. Correlators on  $AdS_2$  string
3. Comparison with Schwarzsian
4. Chaos and double-scaling
5. Conclusion & Future



## Why reparametrization? I

- JT gravity + free matter

$$S_{JT} = -\frac{1}{16\pi G_N} \left[ \int_{\mathcal{M}} d^2\sigma \sqrt{h} \Phi (R+2) + 2 \int d\theta \sqrt{h_{\theta\theta}} \Phi (K-1) \right]$$

- $\Phi$  e.o.m  $\Rightarrow R = -2 \Rightarrow$  locally  $AdS_2$

- Boundary condition: Boundary length  $\frac{2\pi}{\epsilon}$ ,  $\Phi|_b = \frac{\Phi_0}{\epsilon}$



"phase space"

$AdS_2$



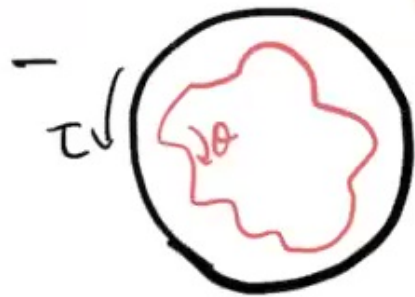
body coordinates

- Fix the body coordinate by  $h_{\theta\theta} = \frac{1}{\epsilon^2}$

$\Rightarrow$  shapes are specified by  $\tau(\theta)$



Why reparametrization? I



$$S_{JT} = -\frac{\Phi_0}{8\pi g_N} \int d\theta \left( \{\tau, \theta\} + \frac{1}{2} (\dot{\tau}(\theta))^2 \right)$$

Schwarzian Action

- Matter 2pt function  $\int \mathcal{D}\tau e^{-S_{JT}} \frac{\dot{\tau}(\theta)^\Delta \dot{\tau}(\theta')^\Delta}{\left(2 \sin \left( \frac{\tau(\theta) - \tau(\theta')}{2} \right)\right)^{2\Delta}}$

- It arises also in the low-T limit of SYK



## Why reparametrization ? II

- String ending on a fixed curve in spacetime  
[Neveu, Polchinski]



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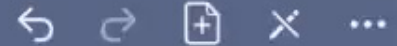
$$X^\mu(\tau, 0) = x^\mu(\tau)$$

- In conformal gauge, we require  $T = \bar{T} = 0$  | body
- $\Rightarrow$  Body condition needs to be inv. under  $\tau \rightarrow f(\tau)$

- True for D-branes  $X^\mu(\tau, 0) = 0$ , but not for [Alvarez]  
 $X^\mu(\tau, 0) = x^\mu(\tau) \quad (\Rightarrow X^\mu(f(\tau), 0) \neq x^\mu(\tau))$

- Only way to make it invariant is to  
integrate over  $f(\tau)$  cf. [Makenko, Olsen]





## Why reparametrization? III

- String with massive endpoints  $\int \dots \int \sim m$
- Action :  $\frac{1}{2} \int d\tau \left( e |\dot{x}|^2 + \frac{m^2}{e} \right) + \text{Spokowski} \quad (e \sim \sqrt{|\dot{x}|^2})$   
 $\underbrace{\quad}_{\text{einbein}}$
- Boundary action depends explicitly on  $e(\tau)$   
 $\leadsto$  we need to integrate over  $e(\tau)$   
 $=$  integration over the reparametrization
- Relevant for meson spectrum in | confining string  
 | 2d QCD



## Why reparametrization modes? $\mathbb{R}^4$

- $\frac{1}{2}$  BPS Wilson Loop in  $\mathcal{N}=4$  SYM  
 $\rightarrow$  dual to string in  $AdS_2 \subset AdS_5 \times S^5$



$$\sim \sqrt{\frac{2}{\pi}} \lambda^{-3/4} e^{\sqrt{\lambda}} + \dots$$

- The bdy condition :  $z(\tau, 0) = 0$ ,  $x^1(\tau, 0) = \cos \tau$ ,  $\dots$   
 $\rightarrow$  fixed spacetime contour.

- We expect the reparametrization modes are important in the conformal gauge.



2. Correlators on  $AdS_2$  string



## Correlators on $AdS_2$ string

—  $AdS_2$  string inside  $AdS_5 \times S^5$  in static gauge

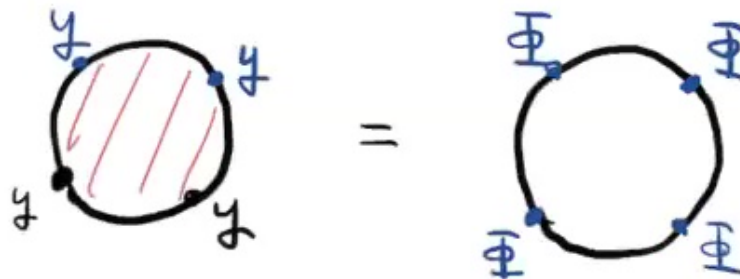
$(T, \sigma) = (x', z)$   
 $\Rightarrow$  3 massive scalar "x" + 5 massless scalar "y" + fermion

$\uparrow$   $AdS_5$                        $\uparrow$   $S^5$

— Preserves  $SL(2, R)$   $\rightarrow$  dual to WL Defect CFT

[Gombi, Roiban  
Tseytlin]

— Correlation functions



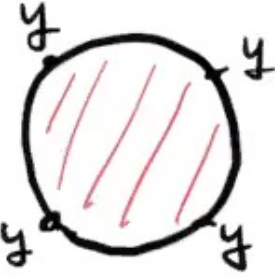


## Necessity of reparametrization

- Toy model  $AdS_2 \times S^1$

- Static gauge  $S[y] = \int d^2\sigma \sqrt{\det [1 + \partial_\alpha y \partial_\beta y]}$   
 $= \frac{1}{2} (\partial y)^2 - \frac{1}{8} (\partial y)^4 + \dots$

- Conformal gauge  $S[y] = \int d^2\sigma \partial y \bar{\partial} y$  No interaction!

-  | Connected  $= \begin{cases} \neq 0 & \text{static gauge} \\ = 0 & \text{conformal gauge} \end{cases} \text{??}$



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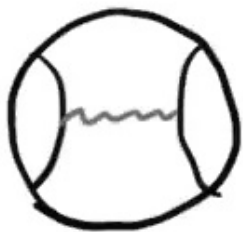
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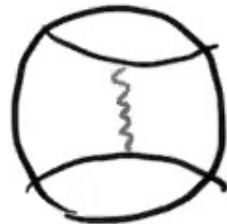
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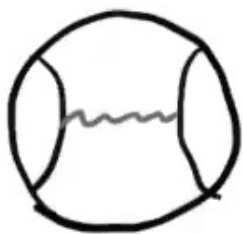
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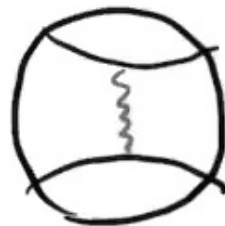
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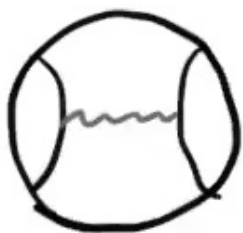
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$$\frac{\langle y_1 y_2 y_3 y_4 \rangle_{\text{conn}}}{\langle y_1 y_2 \rangle \langle y_3 y_4 \rangle} = - \left[ 4 + \frac{2-x}{x} \log((1-x)^2) + \frac{x^2}{(1-x)^2} \left( 4 + \frac{1+x}{1-x} \log x^2 \right) + x^2 \left( 4 + (2x-1) \log \left( \frac{(1-x)^2}{x^2} \right) \right) \right]$$

$$\chi = \frac{\sin \frac{\theta_{12}}{2} \sin \frac{\theta_{34}}{2}}{\sin \frac{\theta_{13}}{2} \sin \frac{\theta_{24}}{2}}$$

# Symmetries of Schwarzian vs. AdS string

- Schwarzian

$$\int d\theta \left\{ \tan \frac{\tau}{2}, \theta \right\}$$

$$\sim \int d\theta \left( \ddot{\tau}(\theta)^2 - \dot{\tau}(\theta)^4 \right) \quad \text{local}$$

- AdS<sub>2</sub> string

$$\int d\theta d\theta' \frac{(\dot{\tau}(\theta) - \dot{\tau}(\theta'))^2 - (\tau(\theta) - \tau(\theta'))^2}{\left( 2 \sin \frac{\theta - \theta'}{2} \right)^2}$$

non-local

- **Left**  $SL(2, \mathbb{R})$  :  $\tau(\theta) \rightarrow f(\tau(\theta))$   $f \in SL(2, \mathbb{R})$

$\Rightarrow$  Schwarzian  gauge  $SL(2, \mathbb{R})$  invariant

AdS string worldsheet  $SL(2, \mathbb{R})$  invariant

- **Right**  $SL(2, \mathbb{R})$  :  $\tau(\theta) \rightarrow \tau(f(\theta))$

$\Rightarrow$  Schwarzian physical  $SL(2, \mathbb{R})$  broken

AdS string target-space  $SL(2, \mathbb{R})$  invariant



However, certain quantities  
(Lyapunov exponent, double-scaled OTOC)  
coincide ----

Non-Schwarzian Maximal Chaos  
[Milekhin]



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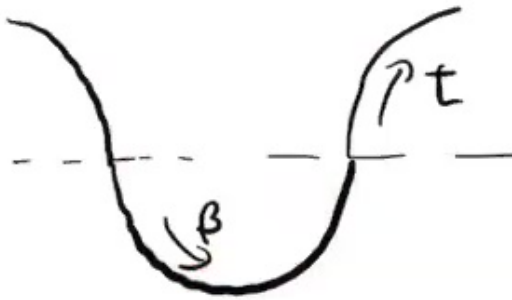
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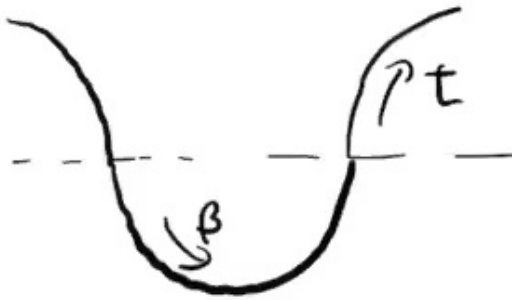
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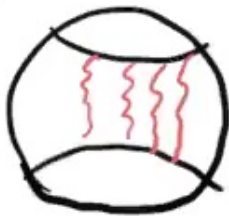
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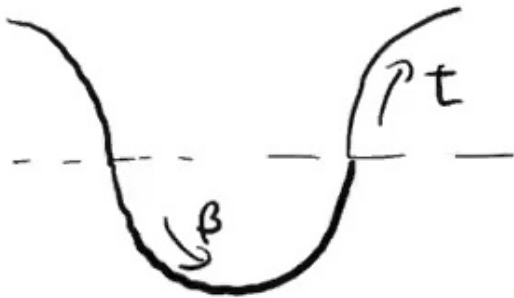
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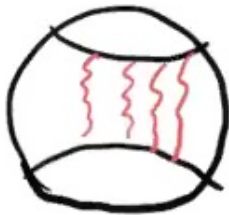
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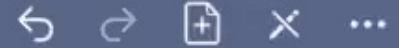
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Double scaling limit (rough sketch)

$$- \langle (B(\theta_1, \theta_2))^\Delta (B(\theta_3, \theta_4))^\Delta \rangle$$

$$B = \frac{(1 + \tilde{E}(\theta_1))(1 + \tilde{E}(\theta_2))}{\left(1 + \frac{G_{12}}{x_{12}}\right)^2}$$

$$- (1 + \tilde{E}(\theta))^\Delta = \left(\frac{d}{d\alpha}\right)^\Delta e^{\alpha(1 + \tilde{E})}$$

exponentiation

$$\frac{1}{\left(1 + \frac{G_{12}}{x_{12}}\right)^{2\Delta}} = \frac{1}{\Gamma(2\Delta)} \int_0^\infty dp p^{\Delta-1} e^{-p \left(1 + \frac{G_{12}}{x_{12}}\right)}$$

- Perform the Gaussian integration



## Double scaling limit (result)

$$\langle \sqrt{W(t)} \sqrt{W(t)} \rangle$$

$$= \frac{1}{K^{2\Delta r}} \mathcal{U}(2\Delta r, 1+2\Delta r, -2\Delta w, K^{-1})$$

confluent hypergeometric

$$K = \frac{1}{16\sqrt{\alpha}} e^t$$

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- Coincides with the result from Schwarzian
  - expansion in  $1/\sqrt{\alpha}$  reproduces 3-loop bootstrap result by [Ferrero, Meneghelli]
    - includes  $\text{Li}_3(1/\alpha)$  etc



5. Conclusion & Future



## Summary

- Importance of reparametrization modes
- Conformal gauge + repara = static gauge
- Maximal chaos without Schwarzian
- Double scaled QTOC from reparametrization



## Future

- Role of reparametrization for  $\langle W \rangle \sim \lambda^{-3/4} \sqrt{\frac{2}{\pi}} e^{\sqrt{\lambda}}$ ?
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## Double scaling limit (result)

$$\langle \sqrt{W(t)} \sqrt{W(t)} \rangle$$

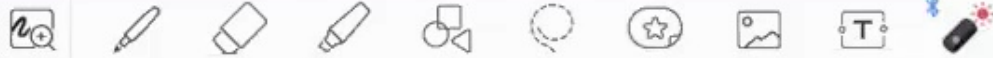
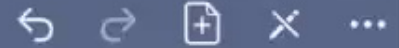
$$= \frac{1}{K^{2\Delta r}} \mathcal{U}(2\Delta r, 1+2\Delta r, -2\Delta w, K^{-t})$$

confluent hypergeometric

$$K = \frac{1}{16\sqrt{\alpha}} e^t$$

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- Coincides with the result from Schwarzian
  - expansion in  $1/\sqrt{\alpha}$  reproduces 3-loop bootstrap result by [Ferrero, Meneghelli]
- ↳ includes  $\text{Li}_3(1/\alpha)$  etc





## Symmetries of Schwarzian vs. AdS string

- Schwarzian

$$\int d\theta \left\{ \tan \frac{\theta}{2}, \theta \right\}$$

$$\sim \int d\theta \ddot{\theta}^2 - \dot{\theta}^2 \quad \text{local}$$

- AdS<sub>2</sub> string

$$\int d\theta d\theta' \frac{(\dot{\theta}(\theta) - \dot{\theta}(\theta'))^2 - (\theta(\theta) - \theta(\theta'))^2}{(2\sin \frac{\theta - \theta'}{2})^2}$$

non-local

- **Left**  $SL(2, R)$  :  $\tau(\theta) \rightarrow f(\tau(\theta))$   $f \in SL(2, R)$

$\Rightarrow$  Schwarzian  gauge  $SL(2, R)$  invariant

AdS string worldsheet  $SL(2, R)$  invariant

- **Right**  $SL(2, R)$  :  $\tau(\theta) \rightarrow \tau(f(\theta))$

$\Rightarrow$  Schwarzian physical  $SL(2, R)$  broken

AdS string target-space  $SL(2, R)$  invariant



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