

Title: Quantum Fields and Strings Lecture - 230310

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$$\partial_\mu \xi_\nu + \partial_\nu \xi_\mu = -\eta_{\mu\nu} \partial \cdot \xi$$

$$\partial_\mu \partial_\nu \partial_\rho \xi^\sigma = 0$$

$$1) \text{ Translations } \Rightarrow T_{\mu\nu} \quad \partial_\mu T_{\mu\nu} = 0$$

$$2) \text{ Lorentz symmetry: } T_{\nu\mu} = T_{\mu\nu}$$

$$3) \quad \int T_{\mu\nu} \delta h^{\mu\nu} \quad - \text{Diffeo: } \delta h^{\mu\nu} = \partial^\mu \xi^\nu + \partial^\nu \xi^\mu$$

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2) Calculate symmetries. $\eta_{\mu\nu} = \eta_{\nu\mu}$

3) $\int T_{\mu\nu} \delta h^{\mu\nu}$

- Diffeo: $\delta h^{\mu\nu} = \partial^\mu \xi^\nu + \partial^\nu \xi^\mu$

$$\int T_{\mu\nu} (\partial^\mu \xi^\nu + \partial^\nu \xi^\mu) = \int T^\mu{}_\mu (\partial \cdot \xi)$$

- Dilations $\xi \sim x$

$$\equiv \eta^{\mu\nu}(\partial \cdot \xi)$$

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$$\Rightarrow T_{\mu}^{\mu} = \partial_{\mu} \left(L^{\mu} \right) \eta^{\mu\nu} (\partial \cdot \xi)$$

- Special conformal $\Rightarrow \xi \sim x^2$

$$T_{\mu}^{\mu} = \partial_{\mu} \partial_{\nu} L^{\mu\nu}$$

I improve $T_{\mu\nu}$ s.t. $\hat{T}_{\mu\nu} = T_{\mu\nu} + \Theta_{\mu\nu}$

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$$\tilde{\mathcal{L}}(\phi) = \mathcal{L}(\phi, g) + R_{\mu\nu\rho\sigma} \Theta^{\mu\nu\rho\sigma}$$

$$\Downarrow$$

$$T_{\mu\nu}$$

$$\hat{T}_{\mu\nu}$$

$\Rightarrow T_{\mu}^{\mu} = \partial_{\mu} \left(\frac{\mu}{\eta^{\mu\nu}(\partial \cdot \xi)} \right) \eta^{\mu\nu}(\partial \cdot \xi) \sim x$
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 $\Downarrow$
 $T_{\mu\nu}$
 $\hat{T}_{\mu\nu}$

$\mathcal{L} = \frac{1}{2} (\partial\phi)^2 + \frac{1}{2} m^2 \phi^2$
 $T_{\mu}^{\mu} = \frac{1}{2} m^2 \phi^2$
 $T_{\mu}^{\mu} = \beta(g) F_{\mu\nu}^2$

$$x^M \rightarrow x^M + \xi^M$$

$$\Rightarrow \xi^M = \underset{\uparrow P_\mu}{a^M} + \underset{\uparrow M_{\mu\nu}}{\omega^\nu_\mu} x^\nu + \underset{\uparrow D}{\lambda} x^M + \underset{\uparrow K_\mu}{b^M} x^2 - 2x^M b \cdot x$$

Lie algebra
SO(2,D)

$\Rightarrow$ Inversion, $\mathbb{Z}_2$

$\Rightarrow$ conformal group is SO(2,D)

Operators in a CFT

- In representation of conformal algebra.

Labels: $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{- Lorentz spin: } M_{\mu\nu} \rightarrow \text{spin} \\ \text{- Scale dimension: } D \rightarrow \Delta \end{array} \right.$

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$\downarrow$
specify quantum #'s under
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$M_{\mu\nu}, D$ preserve the origin.

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Δ critical exponents

Θ that has scale dim Δ .

$$[D, \Theta] = \Delta \Theta$$

$$[M_{\mu\nu}, \Theta] = \Sigma_{\mu\nu} \cdot \Theta$$

Operators split:

- Primary ops. (transform simply under)
- Descendants ops.

$$\Theta [K_\mu, \Theta] = 0 \iff \text{primary}$$

Conformal
family

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \Theta \\ P_\mu \Theta \\ P_\mu P_\nu \Theta \\ \vdots \end{array} \right\}$$

descendants

$$[D, K_\mu] = -i K_\mu$$

$$[D, P_\mu] = i P_\mu$$

Primary operators transform under conformal transformation:

$$x^M \rightarrow \tilde{x}^M = (g \cdot x)^M \quad g(a, \omega, \lambda, b)$$

$$\frac{\partial \tilde{x}}{\partial x} \frac{\partial \tilde{x}}{\partial x} \eta = e^{2\sigma} \eta.$$

$$R^T \eta R = \eta \quad R = \frac{\partial \tilde{x}}{\partial x} e^{-\sigma}$$

$$\underset{\substack{\uparrow \\ \text{Lorentz} \\ \text{spin.}}}{\theta_{A, \Delta}(x)} \rightarrow \hat{\theta}_{A, \Delta} = \left| \frac{\partial x}{\partial \tilde{x}} \right|^{\Delta/D} \underset{\substack{\uparrow \\ \text{spin transf.}}}{L_A^B(R(x))} \theta_B \underset{\substack{\uparrow \\ \text{orbital transf.}}}{(\tilde{g}^{-1} x)}$$

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$$L(g_1)L(g_2) = L(g_1 g_2)$$

representation of Lorentz

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$\nearrow$ Lorentz spin
 $\nearrow$ scaling dimension
 $\uparrow$ spin transf.
 $\uparrow$ orbital transf.

local transf.

$$\tilde{x} = x + \xi$$

$$\delta \theta_A(x) = \tilde{\theta}_A(x) - \theta_A(x) = -\xi^\mu \underbrace{\partial_\mu \theta_A(x)}_{\text{orbital}} + \frac{i}{2} \underbrace{S_{\mu\nu}(x)}_{\substack{\downarrow \\ S_{\mu\nu} = \omega_{\mu\nu} - 2(x_\mu b_\nu - x_\nu b_\mu)}} \underbrace{(M^{\mu\nu})_A^B}_{\uparrow \text{spin}} \theta_B(x)$$

$$- \Delta \omega(x) \theta_A(x)$$

$\uparrow$

$SO(1,3)$
dimension 4

$$\omega(x) = \lambda - 2x \cdot b$$

$$\langle \theta_\Delta(x) \theta_\Delta(0) \rangle = \frac{1}{x^{2\Delta}}$$

$$\omega(x) = \lambda - 2x \cdot b,$$

want is to constraint observables: correlation functions

Ward identity

$$\Rightarrow \langle \theta(x_1) \theta(x_2) \rangle =$$

$$\Rightarrow \langle \theta(x_1) \theta(x_2) \theta(x_3) \rangle$$

the position dependence is completely fixed by conformal symmetry

Gal transt.

$$\tilde{x} = x + \xi$$

$$\delta \theta_A(x) = \tilde{\theta}_A(x) - \theta_A(x) = -\xi^\mu \underset{\substack{\uparrow \\ \text{orbital}}}{\partial_\mu} \theta_A(x) + \frac{i}{2} \underset{\substack{\downarrow \\ S_{\mu\nu} = \omega_{\mu\nu} - 2(x_\mu b_\nu - x_\nu b_\mu)}}{S_{\mu\nu}(x)} \underset{\substack{\uparrow \\ \text{spin}}}{(M^{\mu\nu})_A^B} \theta_B(x)$$

$$- \Delta \omega(x) \theta_A(x)$$

$\uparrow$

dimension 4

$$\omega(x) = \lambda - 2x \cdot b$$

$$S_{\mu\nu} = \omega_{\mu\nu} - 2(x_\mu b_\nu - x_\nu b_\mu)$$

$$\theta(x) = e^{i P^\mu x_\mu} \theta(0) e^{-i P^\mu x_\mu}$$