

Integrability and AdS/CFT correspondence

Integrability \sim Solvable models

classical mechanics

classical & quantum field theories

AdS/CFT : duality in string theory

Unified high-energy theory of
gauge & gravity interactions



"equivalence"

Disclaimer :

Just Introduction Today

To explain concepts, ideas,
terminology, backgrounds

Not many equations

Assumes broad audience

CFT: conformal field theory

quantum field theory (QFT)

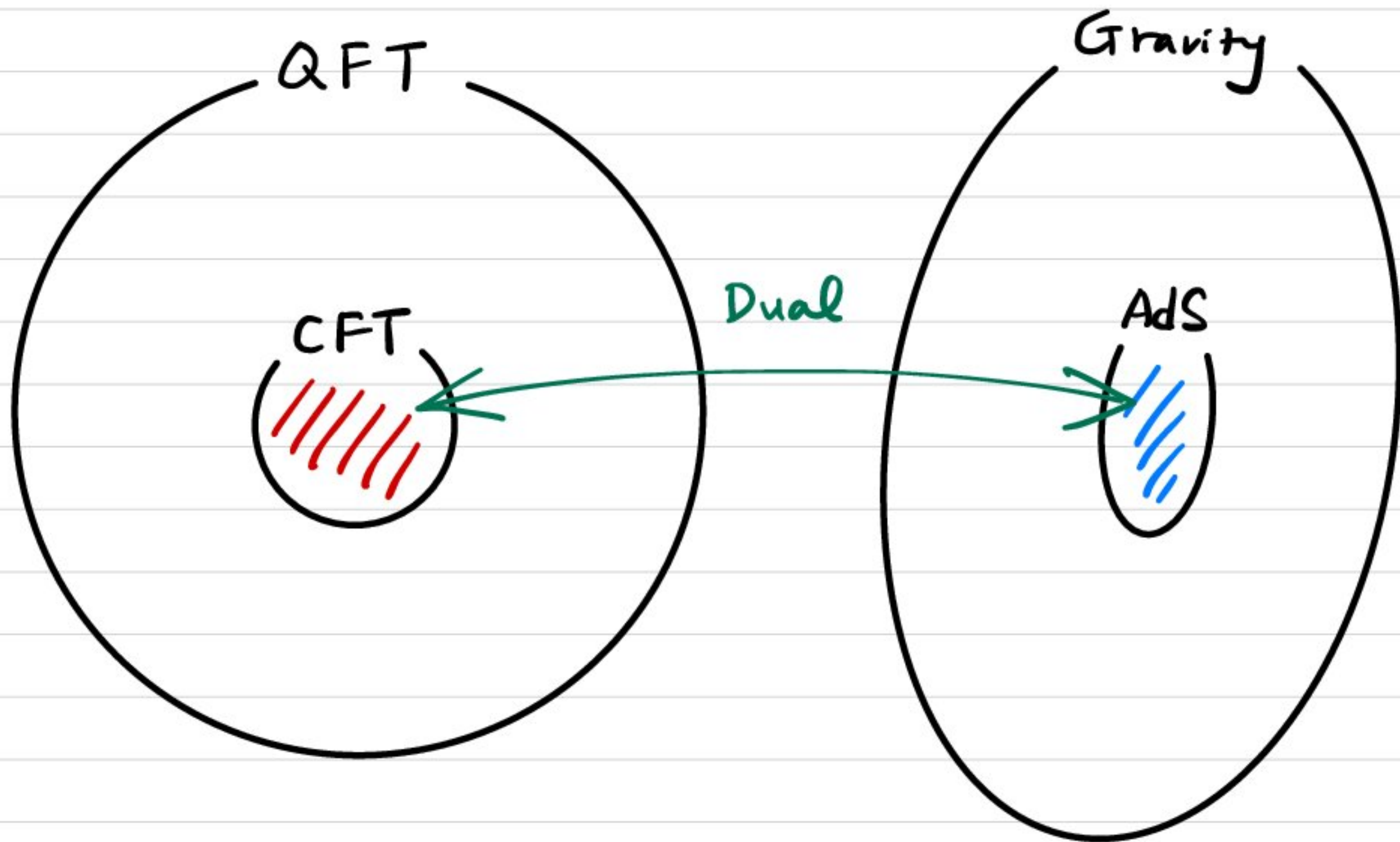
invariant under conformal transformation

generalization of scaling transform

AdS: gravity theory on Anti de-Sitter spacetime

analytic continuation of hyperbolic space

Conjecture: $\left(\begin{array}{c} \text{Something} \\ \text{CFT} \end{array} \right)^{\text{in}} = \left(\begin{array}{c} \text{something} \\ \text{AdS} \end{array} \right)^{\text{in}}$



AdS / CFT correspondence is a conjecture

- Why does this relation exist?

- What is the simplest example?

one CFT \longleftrightarrow one gravity on AdS

- What is the quantitative prediction?

$\langle \mathcal{O} \rangle_{\text{CFT}} \longleftrightarrow \Psi_{\text{AdS}}$

- How to check these predictions?

study the simplest example

What is the simplest example of AdS/CFT?

Simple CFT:

massless free theory, $\mathcal{L} = (\partial\phi)^2$ or ψ/ψ
(mass breaks scaling invariance)

Simple AdS:

Einstein action with negative cosmological const.

$$\mathcal{L} = \frac{1}{16\pi G} (R - 2\Lambda) \Rightarrow \text{AdS solution}$$

→ difficult examples of the correspondence!

AdS / CFT is a strong-weak duality w.r.t.

't Hooft coupling λ

- λ is a usual coupling in CFT (free if $\lambda \rightarrow 0$)

- $\frac{1}{\lambda}$ controls higher derivative terms in gravity

$$\mathcal{L} = \frac{1}{16\pi G} \left\{ (R - 2\Lambda) + \sum_{n \geq 2} c_n \left(\frac{L^2}{\sqrt{\lambda}} \right)^{n-1} R^n \right\}$$

N.B. not derivation. Need to go through Maldacena's paper to understand the identification of parameters

How to control higher derivative terms ?

→ study string theory !

gravity

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rigid string



quantize



infinite tension

graviton

(particle)



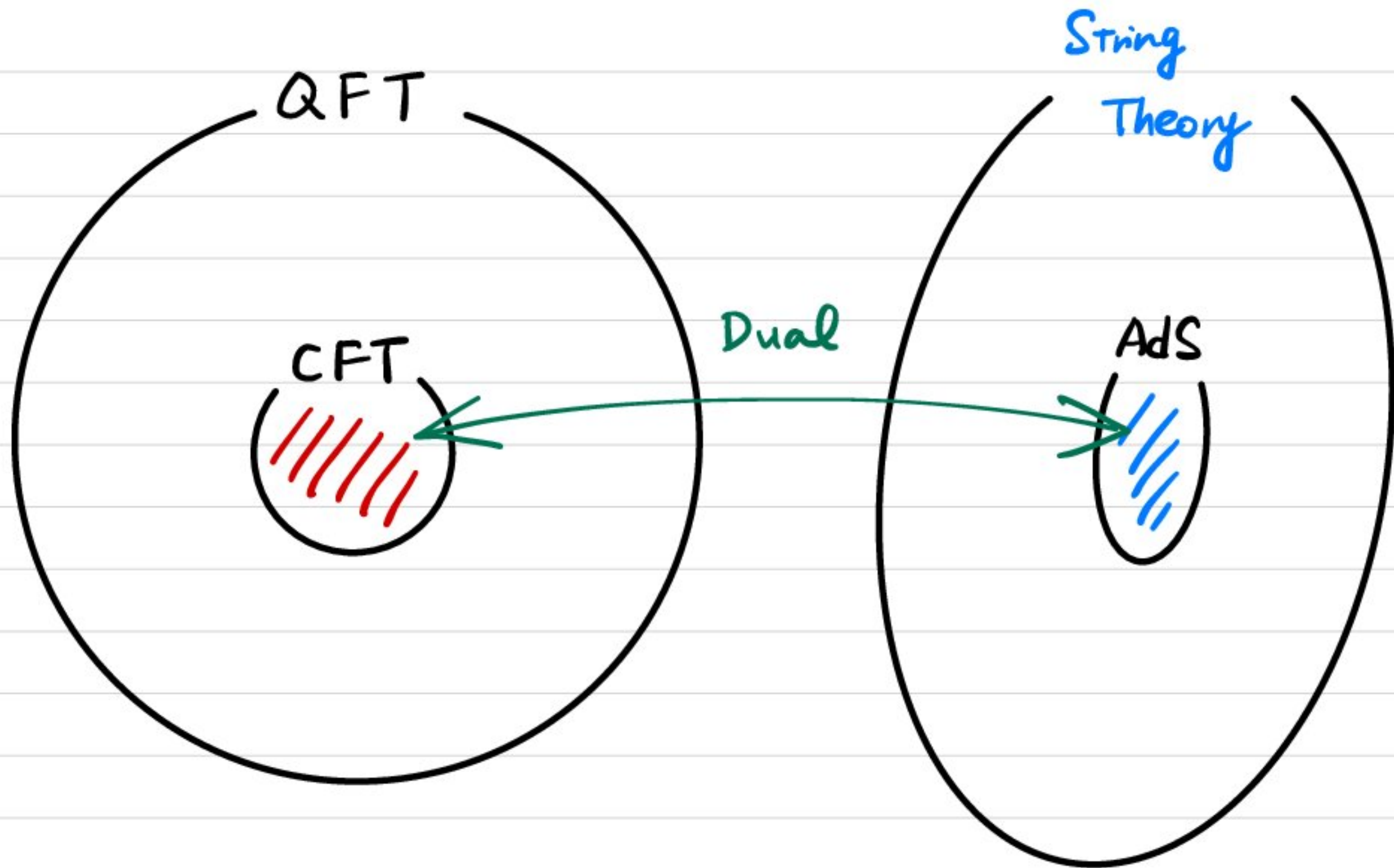
string

($\alpha' \rightarrow 0$)

extend



string tension $\sim \frac{1}{\alpha'}$



Q: How to check the AdS / CFT correspondence?

- Both sides must be interacting theories

$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \lambda \rightarrow 0 \quad : \text{ free CFT} \\ \lambda \rightarrow \infty \quad : \text{ rigid string theory on AdS} \end{array} \right.$

- Both sides must be exactly solvable in λ

\sim integrability, but connection
not straight forward

Integrability (Integrable models / systems)

Liouville's classical integrability:

(constants of motion) =

(degrees of freedom)

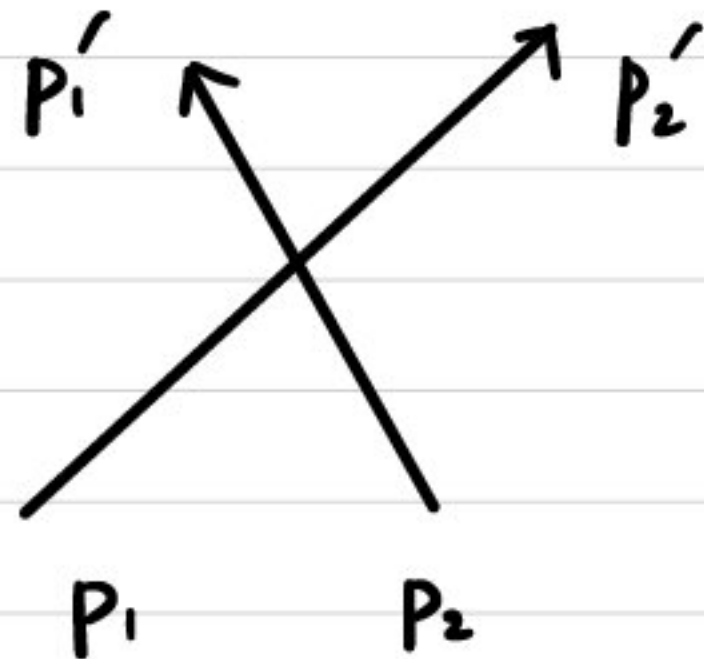
- free theory
 - Coulomb potential, $V(r) = \frac{1}{r}$
 - many 2D field theories
- Why two dimensions?

Integrable system has many conserved charges

$$\left\{ \sum p_i, \sum p_i^2, \sum p_i^3, \dots \right\}$$

Consider S-matrix:

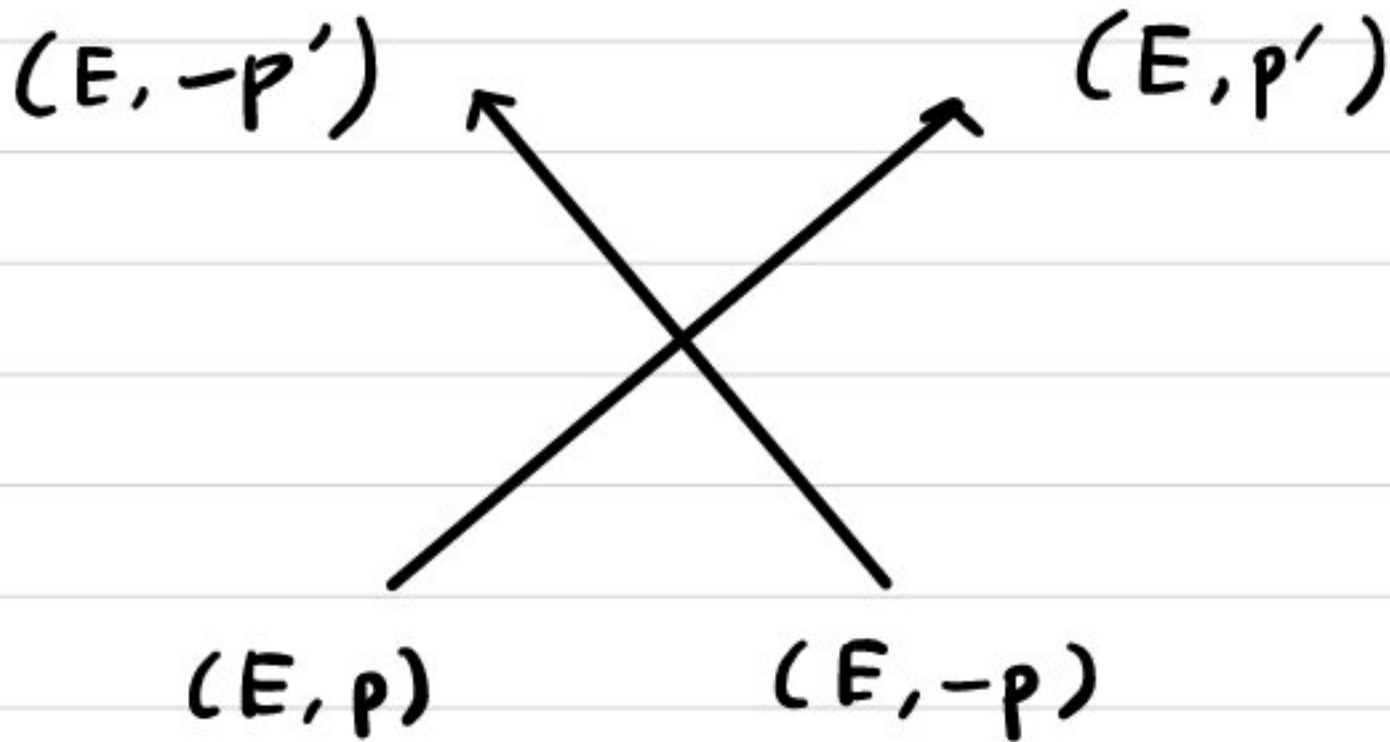
$$S(p_1, p_2, p'_1, p'_2) =$$



If $\sum_i p_i^n = \sum_i (p'_i)^n$ for all n , then

$\{p'_i\}$ should be a permutation of $\{p_i\}$

Take the
center of mass frame,



integrability



S-matrix $\sim \delta(p-p')$ ← not analytic in $D > 2$

In $D=2$, $\delta(x) \sim \frac{1}{x}$

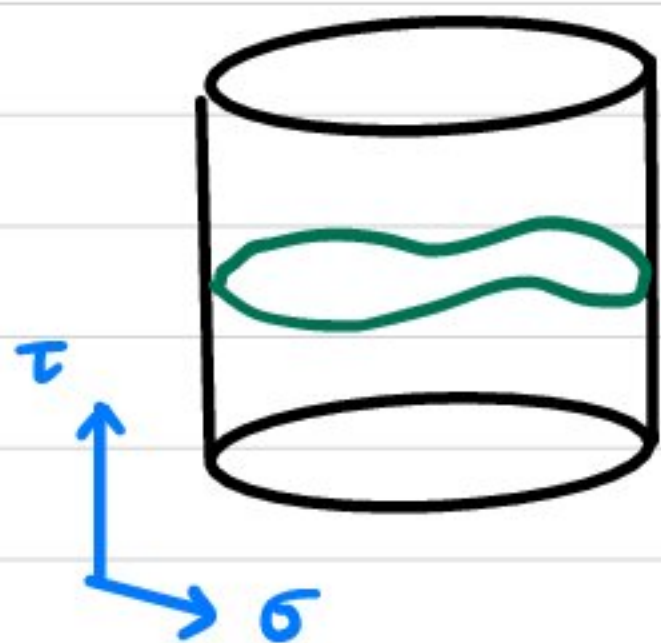
or there's no "angle" in 1 space dimension,



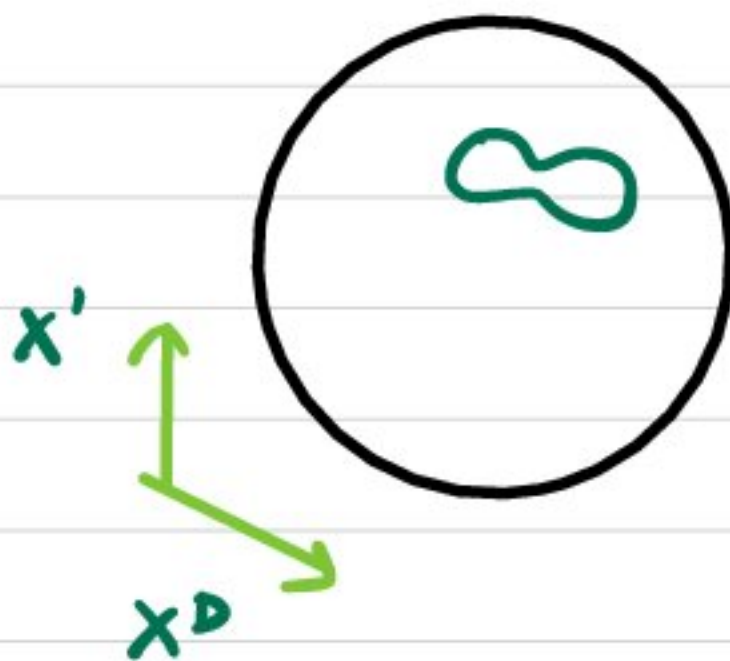
Where is the integrability in AdS / CFT ?

AdS (string theory) side :

integrability \rightsquigarrow string worldsheet theory
(2D)



$x^M(\sigma, \tau)$



Worldsheet action (Nambu-Goto)

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} S = - \frac{1}{2\pi\alpha'} \int dsd\tau \sqrt{-\det h} \\ h_{ab} = G_{\mu\nu} \partial_a X^\mu \partial_b X^\nu \end{array} \right.$$

N.B. More complicated in $AdS_5 \times S^5$

we need to make it supersymmetric

can be made integrable if carefully choose S

Where is integrability in CFT side ?

This question is hard & non-trivial

How to find "string worldsheet" ?

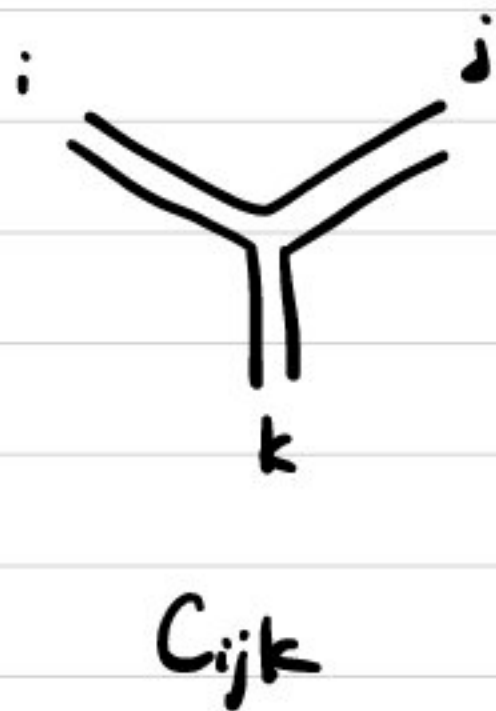
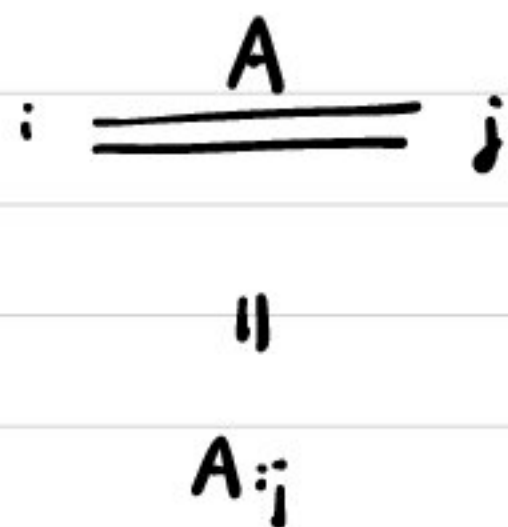
This question is easier ; large N limit

Consider $N \times N$ matrix A_{ij} ($i, j = 1, 2, \dots, N$)

& draw a graph for the space of indices

effective worldsheet

Hooft's double-line notation



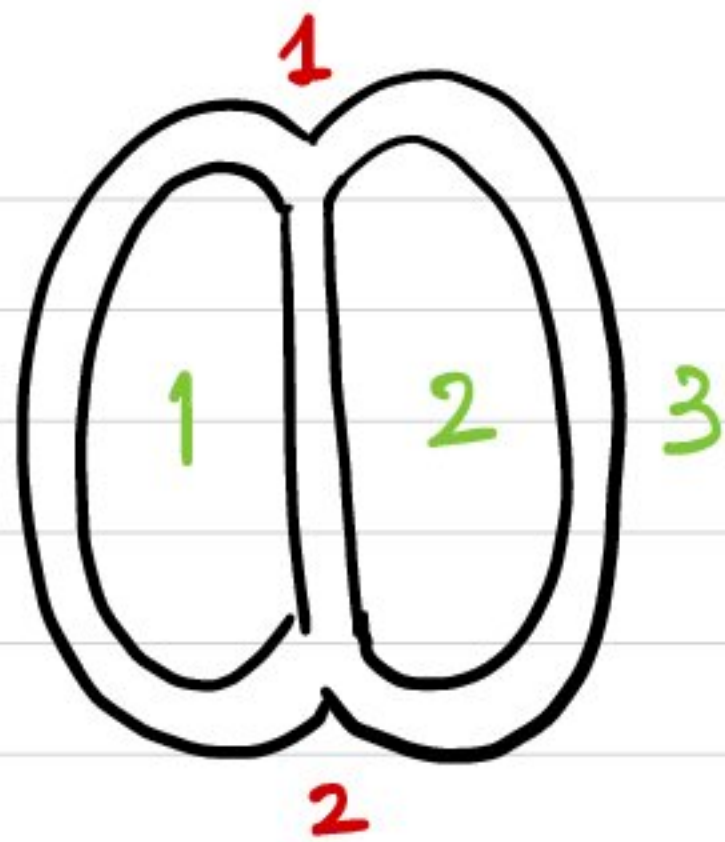
Consider triangulation of a Riemann surface

& assign a factor of N

Coming back to the basic questions :

- What is the AdS / CFT correspondence
- Why does such a relation exist

{ Black hole entropy
Holography
Open-closed duality in string theory



three faces

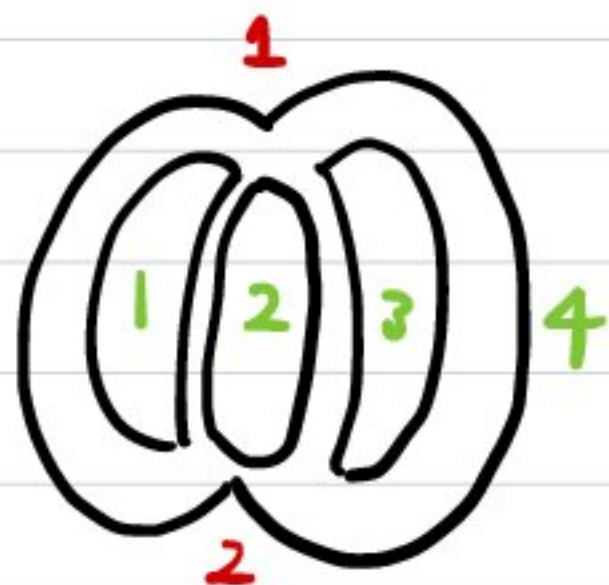
$$\longrightarrow N^3$$

two 3pt vertices

$$\longrightarrow N^{-1}$$

total

$$\longrightarrow N^2$$



N^4

N^{-2} , n -pt vertex: $N^{-(n-2)/2}$

$$N^2 = N^{\chi}, \quad \chi = \text{Euler number of } S^2$$

total factor is invariant for any triangulations

Pitfall: Why gravity is NOT QFT

Weinberg - Witten theorem (1980)

$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} |p\rangle \text{ massless one-particle state with spin } j \\ T^{\mu\nu} \text{ energy-momentum tensor} \end{array} \right.$

Lorentz transformation on

$$\langle -p | T^{\mu\nu} | p \rangle = \langle -p | U^\dagger \cdot U T^{\mu\nu} U^\dagger \cdot U | p \rangle$$

rep. theory constraint, non-zero solution at $j = 0, \frac{1}{2}, 1$

For massless $j=2$ (graviton), $\langle -p | T^{\mu\nu} | p \rangle = 0$

$\Rightarrow |p\rangle$ has zero charge (energy)

\Rightarrow gravity cannot be a composite particle of QFT

N.B. Massive spin-2 particle may have $E \geq 0$

WW theorem also applies to AdS/CFT ($N=4$ SYM)

But CFT creates bulk states, charged under $T_{\text{bulk}}^{\mu\nu}$

also $T_{\mu\nu}$ in gravity is pseudo tensor, not covariant.

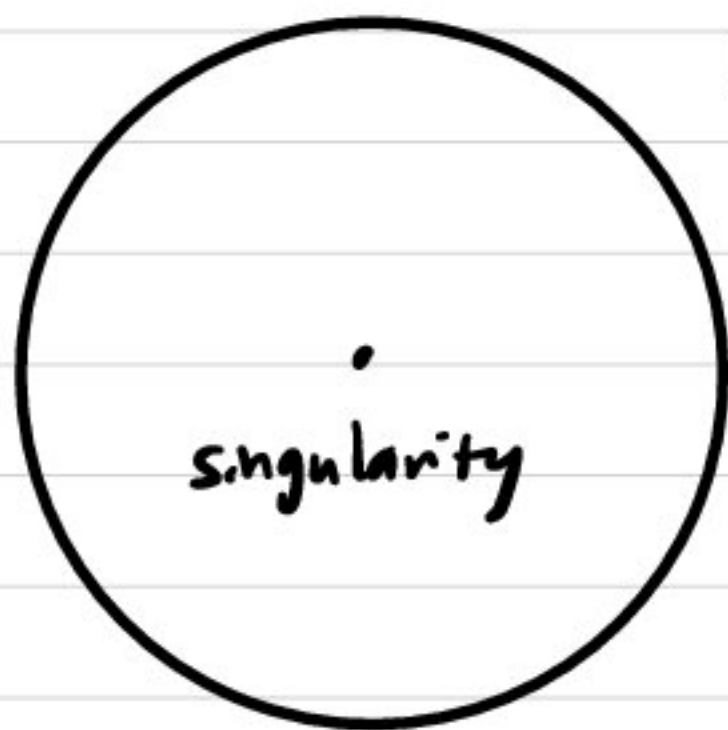
1) Blackhole entropy

According to BH thermodynamics,

$$\underbrace{dM}_{\text{mass}} = \underbrace{T}_{\substack{\text{surface} \\ \text{gravity}}} \underbrace{dS}_{\substack{\text{horizon} \\ \text{area}}} + (\text{charges})$$

= Hawking temperature = Bekenstein-Hawking entropy

if you throw a particle into BH, it increases mass & entropy according to $dM = TdS + \dots$



horizon : $ds^2 = - \left(1 - \frac{2GM}{r} \right) dt^2 + \dots$

$$\Rightarrow r_H = 2GM$$

In QFT, entropy S is proportional to the volume

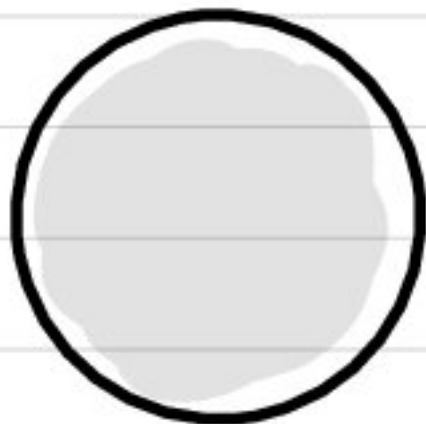
$$S = \left(1 - \beta \frac{\partial}{\partial \beta} \right) \log Z$$

$$\log Z = - \sum_{\mathbf{k}} \ln(1 - e^{-\beta \epsilon_{\mathbf{k}}}) \rightarrow V \int d^3k \ln(\dots)$$

However, BH entropy is given by area

→ BH physics is effectively described by

QFT defined on horizon (t Hooft)



effective description of
BH interior

but we can't see BH interior
anyway

2) Holography

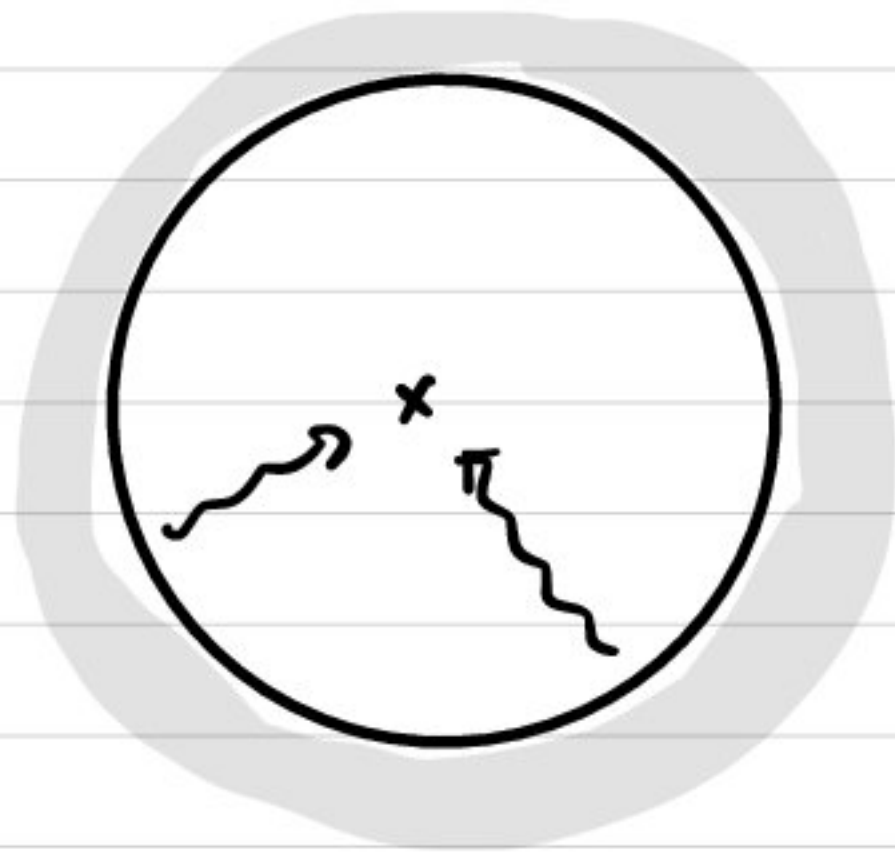
AdS is a "finite box" in the sense that it takes a "finite time" to send a signal from bulk to boundary



$$ds^2 = \frac{dz^2 - dt^2 + d\vec{x}^2}{z^2} \quad (\text{Poincaré patch})$$

$$dt \sim dz \Rightarrow t \sim z_0$$

(geodesical distance = ∞)



For a finite 'box',
we "should" be able to
reconstruct bulk data from
boundary

- assuming no black hole

N.B. This argument relates bulk gravity & boundary
gravity. AdS/CFT is a different duality

3) Open-closed duality in string theory

- Standard 'top-down' argument for AdS/CFT
- 'bottom-up' approach is possible, less rigorous

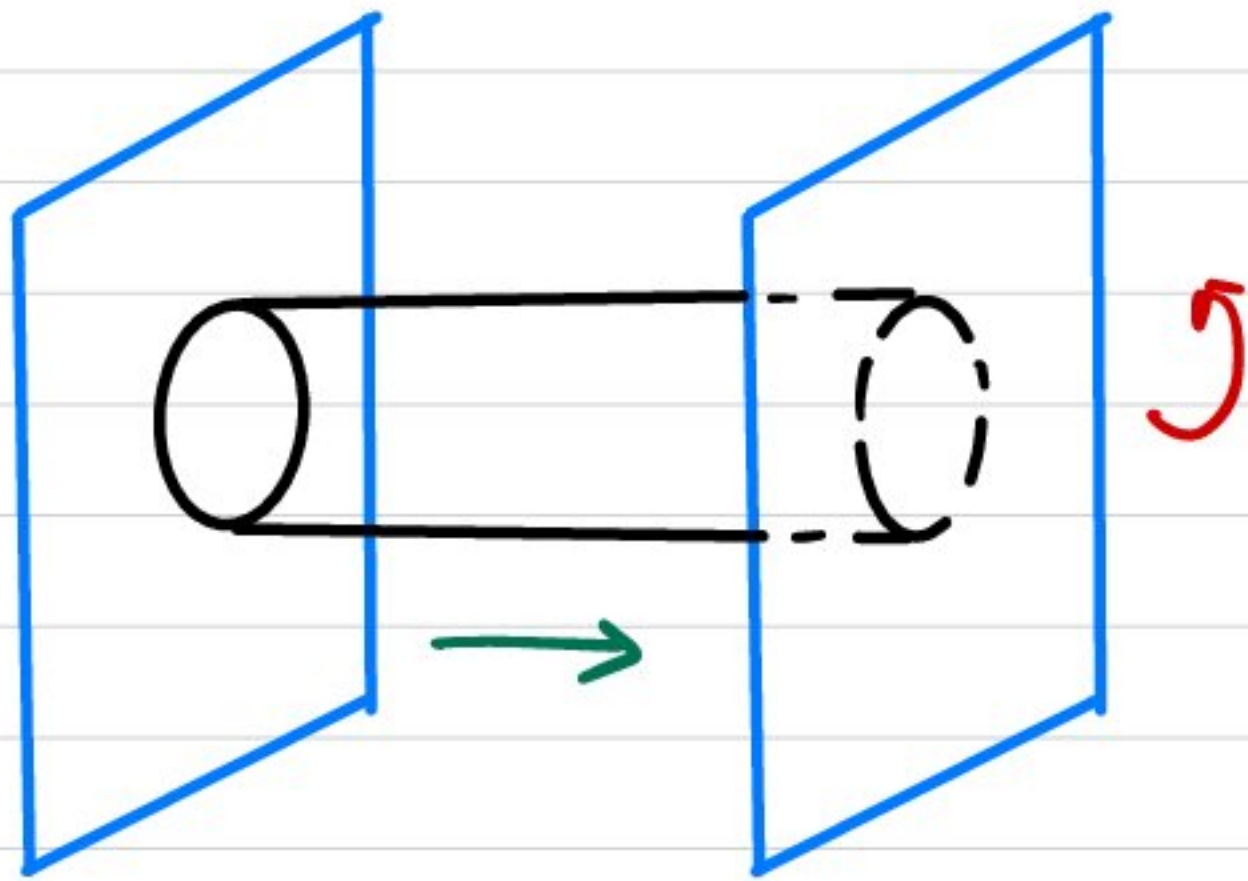
String theory :



closed string



open string



① Open string 1-loop
partition function

|| duality

② Closed string propagation
between D-branes

long cylinder limit

⇒ only massless particles contribute to ②
supergravity (no stringy modes)

- Compute ① by flat-space superstring
- Compute ② by 10d supergravity + D-brane action

Dirac-Born-Infeld (DBI) action

$$S_{D_p} = -T_p \int \sqrt{-\det(G+B)} + \mu_p \int (C_p + \dots)$$

D-brane tension

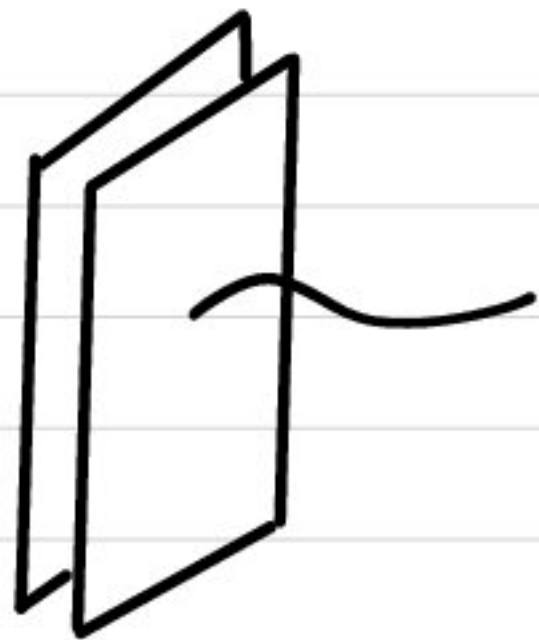
Ramond-Ramond charge

① = ② fixes these parameters

D_p -brane : $(p+1)$ -dimensional worldvolume \mathcal{M}_{p+1}

$$\begin{cases} \eta^{\alpha\beta} \partial_\alpha X^\nu = 0 & (\nu = 0, 1, \dots, p) \\ X^\nu = 0 & (\nu = p+1, \dots, 10) \end{cases}$$

D_3 -brane \sim like 'our 4D world'



open string ending on N coincident

D_3 -branes

\rightarrow $SU(N)$ (susy) gauge theory
in 4 dimensions

Closed string viewpoint :

D3-brane has a tension \Rightarrow non-zero energy

\Rightarrow backreaction to the flat spacetime

\Rightarrow black 3-brane solution in 10d supergravity

Action of type IIB sugra

$$S_{10} = \frac{1}{2\kappa_{10}^2} \int d^{10}x \sqrt{-g} \left[R - \frac{(\partial\Phi)^2}{2} - \frac{F_5^2}{4 \cdot 5!} \right] + \dots$$

Total action $S = S_{10} + N S_{D3}$

Ansatz $ds^2 = \sqrt{f(r)} \eta_{\mu\nu} dx^\mu dx^\nu + \frac{dr^2}{f(r)^2} + r^2 d\Omega_5^2$
(4+6)

$$F_5 = Q (d\text{vol}_{S_5} + * d\text{vol}_{S_5})$$

EoM for $g_{\mu\nu} \Rightarrow \left\{ \begin{array}{l} f(r) = 1 - \frac{L^4}{r^4}, \quad L: \text{horizon radius} \\ Q = 2L^4 \end{array} \right.$

Horowitz, Strominger NPB 360 (1991)

EoM for C_4 ($F_5 = dC_4$):

$$S = - \frac{1}{2 g_s K_{10}^2} \int d^{10}x (F_5)^2 + N \mu_3 \int F_5$$

$$\Rightarrow d * F_5 = \underline{2 K_{10}^2 \mu_3 g_s N \delta^6(x)}$$
$$= 16 \pi^4 \alpha'^2 g_s N \delta^6(x)$$

use brane
RR charge

if we integrate ansatz, $\int F_5 = 2\pi^3 Q = 4\pi^3 L^4$

$$\Rightarrow L^4 = 4\pi \alpha'^2 g_s N$$

In 4d $U(N)$ gauge theory, we define

't Hooft coupling $\lambda \equiv N g_{YM}^2$

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{gauge boson} \sim \text{open string} \\ \text{graviton} \sim \text{closed string} \sim (\text{open})^2 \\ g_s = \text{closed string coupling} \end{array} \right.$$

one identifies $\lambda = N g_{YM}^2 = 4\pi N g_s = \frac{R^4}{\alpha'^2}$

α' is 'typical size of string'

($1/\alpha'$ is string tension)



string \rightarrow $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{particles in the limit } \alpha' \rightarrow 0 \\ \text{rigid string} \end{array} \right.$

$\sqrt{\lambda} = \frac{R^2}{\alpha'} \rightarrow \infty$ in this limit (not $\lambda \rightarrow 0$)

\Rightarrow Higher derivative terms in gravity disappear