

An alternative bulk construction by the flow equation

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Motivation

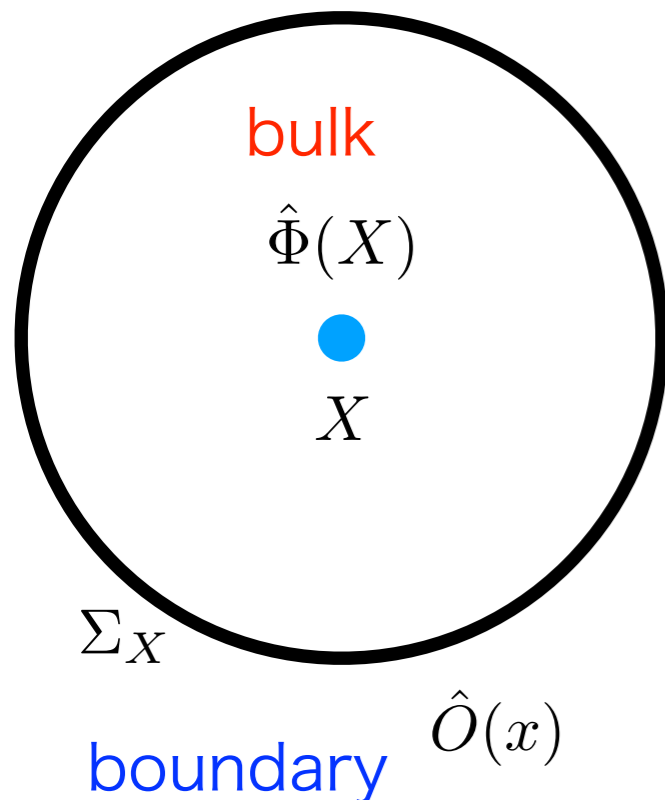
to understand AdS/CFT form field theories without using string theory

HKLL bulk reconstruction

Hamilton, Kabat, Lifschytz, Lowe 2006

free scalar field operator on AdS $\hat{\Phi}(X)$

Banks, Douglas, Horowitz, Martinec, 1998



BDHM relation

$$\lim_{z \rightarrow 0} \hat{\Phi}(z, x) = \hat{O}(x)$$

CFT field operator at the boundary $\hat{O}(x)$

express $\Phi(x)$ in terms of $O(x)$

$$\hat{\Phi}(X) = \int_{\Sigma_X} d^d y K(X, y) \hat{O}(y)$$

c.f. S. Terashima, 2021: CFT \leftrightarrow AdS without BDHM relation in the large N.

Our proposal: bulk construction

Starting point

CFT in d-dimensions

$$\langle \varphi^a(x) \varphi^b(y) \rangle = \delta^{ab} \frac{1}{|x-y|^{2\Delta}}$$

non-singlet primary field



Smeared field

$$\sigma^a(X) = \int d^d y h(z, x-y) \varphi^a(y) \quad \text{field in } d+1 \text{ dimensions} \quad X := (x, z)$$



$$S(X) := \phi^a(X) \phi^a(X) \quad \text{(gauge) singlet composite field}$$

Correlation functions

$$\langle S(X_1) S(X_2) \cdots S(X_n) \rangle$$



structure of bulk

$$\text{Ex. metric } \langle g_{AB}(X) \rangle$$



AdS ?

Euclidean path integral



HKLL: Lorentzian, canonical operator

Determination of smearing kernel $h(z, x)$

$$\sigma^a(X) = \int d^d y h(z, x - y) \varphi^a(y)$$

conditions

1. normalization $\langle \sigma^a(X) \sigma^a(X) \rangle = 1$

2. symmetry **conformal** $\text{SO}(d+1, 1) \longrightarrow$ **bulk symmetry** $\text{SO}(d+1, 1)$

$$U \varphi^a(y) U^\dagger := \tilde{\varphi}^a(y) = J(y)^\Delta \varphi^a(\tilde{y})$$

$$U \sigma^a(X) U^\dagger := \tilde{\sigma}^a(X) = \sigma^a(\tilde{X})$$

translation/rotation/dilatation/inversion



$$h(z, x) = \Sigma_0 \left(\frac{z}{x^2 + z^2} \right)^{d-\Delta}, \quad \Delta < \frac{d}{2}$$

$h(z, x - y)$ agree with $K(X, y)$ of HKLL but with $\Delta > d - 1$. [HKLL, PRD74\(2006\)066009.](#)

Symmetry

$$U\varphi^a(y)U^\dagger := \tilde{\varphi}^a(y) = J(y)^\Delta \varphi^a(\tilde{y}) \quad \longrightarrow \quad U\sigma^a(X)U^\dagger := \tilde{\sigma}^a(X) = \sigma^a(\tilde{X})$$

conformal $\text{SO}(d+1, 1)$

bulk $\text{SO}(d+1, 1)$

1. translation $\tilde{y}^\mu = y^\mu + a^\mu, J(y) = 1$

$$\tilde{x}^\mu = x^\mu + a^\mu, \tilde{z} = z$$

2. rotation $\tilde{y} = \Omega^\mu{}_\nu y^\nu, J(y) = 1$

$$\tilde{x}^\mu = \Omega^\mu{}_\nu x^\nu, \tilde{z} = z$$

3. dilatation $\tilde{y}^\mu = \lambda y^\mu, J(y) = \lambda$

$$\tilde{X}^A = \lambda X^A$$

4. inversion $\tilde{y}^\mu = \frac{y^\mu}{y^2}, J(y) = \frac{1}{y^2}$

$$\tilde{X}^A = \frac{X^A}{X^2}$$

Some properties

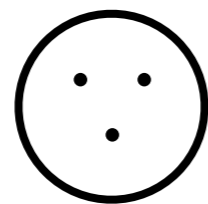
$$\sigma^a(X) = \int d^d y h(z, x - y) \varphi^a(y), \quad h(X) = \Sigma_0 \left(\frac{z}{x^2 + z^2} \right)^{d-\Delta}$$

Differential equation $(\square_{\text{AdS}} - m^2)\sigma^a(X) = 0.$ $\square_{\text{AdS}} := z^2(\partial_z^2 + \square) - (d-1)z\partial_z$

$\sigma^a(X)$ satisfies EOM of a free scalar field on AdS with $m^2 = (\Delta - d)\Delta$.

flow equation = equation for $z^{-\Delta}\sigma^a(X)$

BDHM relation $\lim_{z \rightarrow 0} z^{-\Delta} \sigma(X) \simeq \varphi^a(x)$



$$\lim_{z \rightarrow 0} h(z, x) = \frac{\Sigma_0}{\Lambda} z^\Delta \delta^{(d)}(x).$$

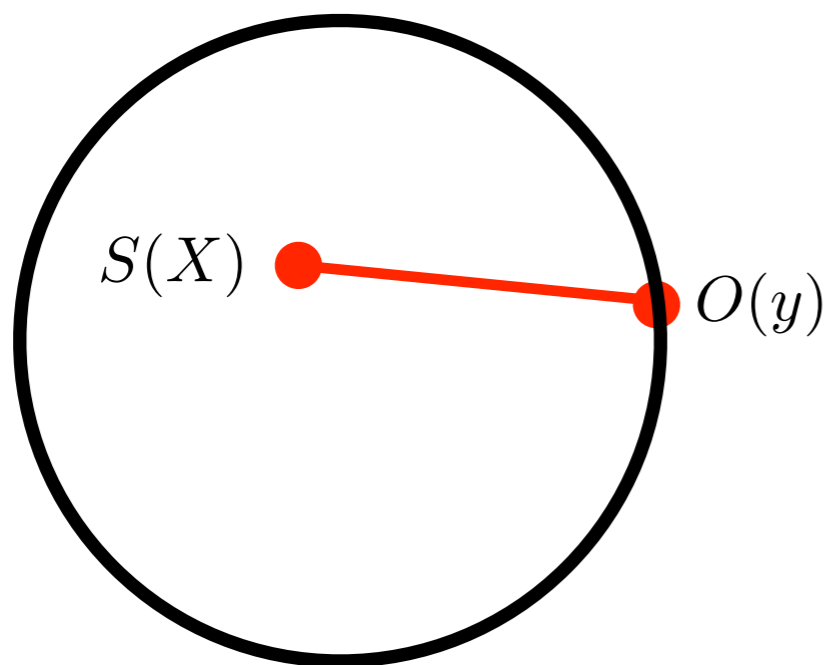
Boundary to bulk correlation function

$\mathcal{F}(X, y) := \langle S(X)O(y) \rangle$ a singlet scalar primary field of weight Δ_O : $O(y)$

a singlet bulk scalar field: $S(X) := \sigma^a(X)\sigma^a(X)$ composite

Symmetries(bulk & boundary) \longrightarrow $F(X, y) = C_O \left(\frac{z}{(x-y)^2 + z^2} \right)^{\Delta_O}$ exact result

The bulk to boundary propagator in the AdS/CFT correspondence is reproduced.



$$(\square_{\text{AdS}}^X - m_O^2)F(X, y) = 0$$

$$m_O^2 = \Delta_O(\Delta_O - d)$$

Metric field

$$g_{AB}(X) := \ell^2 \sum_{a=1}^N \partial_A \sigma^a(X) \partial_B \sigma^a(X)$$

ℓ : some length scale

1 simplest among singlet symmetric 2nd rank tensors

2 finite without UV divergence

3 metric becomes **classical** in the large N limit

$$\langle g_{AB}(X_1) g_{CD}(X_2) \rangle = \langle g_{AB}(X_1) \rangle \langle g_{CD}(X_2) \rangle + O(1/N)$$

large N factorization

→ $\langle G_{AB}(g_{CD}) \rangle = G_{AB}(\langle g_{CD} \rangle) + O(1/N)$

classical geometry after quantum averages

4 VEV of metric operator = **information metric**

Bures Information metric

define a “distance” between density matrices ρ and $\rho + d\rho$ ρ can be a mixed state.

$$d^2(\rho, \rho + d\rho) := \frac{1}{2} \text{tr}(d\rho G) \quad \longleftarrow \quad \rho G + G\rho = d\rho$$

Our case

$$\rho(X) := \sum_{a=1}^N |\sigma^a(X)\rangle\langle\sigma^a(X)| \quad \text{mixed state} \quad (\text{N entangled pairs})$$



$$\ell^2 d^2(\rho(X), \rho(X + dX)) = \langle g_{AB}(X) \rangle dX^A dX^B$$

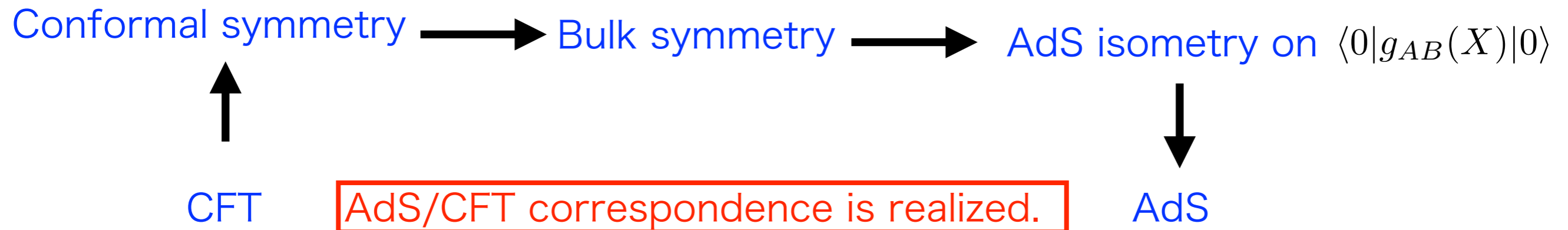
VEV of $g_{AB}(X)$ defines a distance in the bulk as $d^2(\rho(X), \rho(X + dX))$.

VEV of the metric field

Symmetry \longrightarrow $\langle 0|g_{AB}(X)|0\rangle = a_0 \frac{\delta_{AB}}{z^2}$

AdS metric in the Poincare patch

explicit calculation \longrightarrow $a_0 = \ell^2 \frac{\Delta(d-\Delta)}{d+1} > 0$



Excited state contribution

Mixed matrix element

$$e^{JO(0)}|0\rangle \simeq |0\rangle + J|S\rangle +$$

$|S\rangle$: primary scalar state

$$\bar{g}_{AB}(X) := \langle 0|g_{AB}(X)|0\rangle + J\langle 0|g_{AB}(X)|S\rangle$$

$$\langle 0|g_{AB}(X)|S\rangle = \lim_{y^2 \rightarrow 0} G_{AB}(X, y) \quad G_{AB}(X, y) := \langle 0|g_{AB}(X)O(y)|0\rangle \quad \text{scalar operator}$$

Symmetry



$$G_{AB}(X, y) = T^{\Delta_O}(X, y) \left[a_1 \frac{\delta_{AB}}{z^2} + a_2 \frac{T_A(X, y)T_B(X, y)}{T^2(X, y)} \right]$$

$$T(X, y) := \frac{z}{(x-y)^2 + z^2} \quad T_A(X, y) := \partial_{X^A} T(X, y)$$

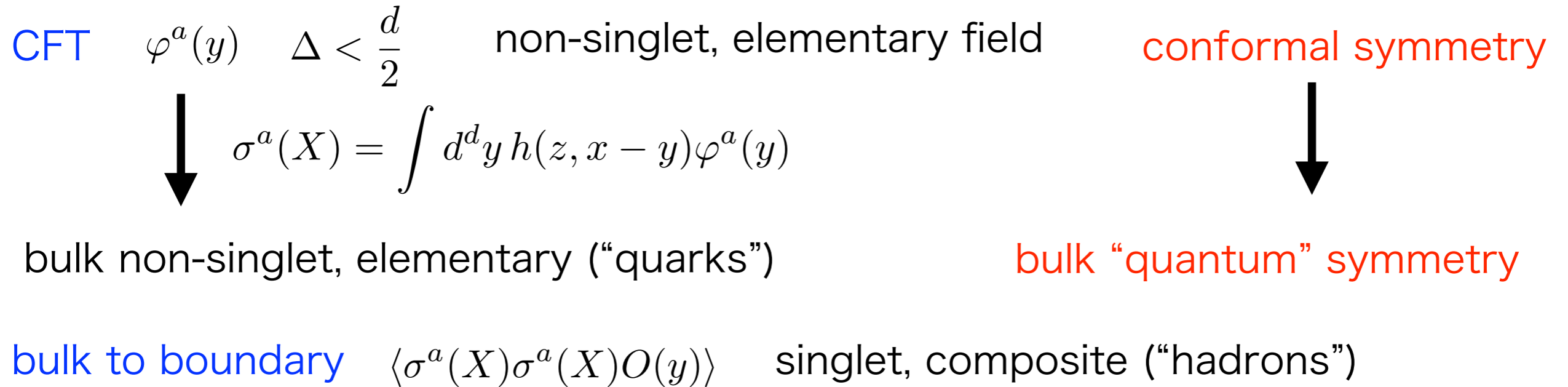


$$\bar{g}_{AB}(X) = \frac{\delta_{AB}}{z^2} \left[a_0 + a_1 J \left(\frac{z}{x^2 + z^2} \right)^{\Delta_O} \right] + a_2 J T_A T_B \left(\frac{z}{x^2 + z^2} \right)^{\Delta_O - 2}$$

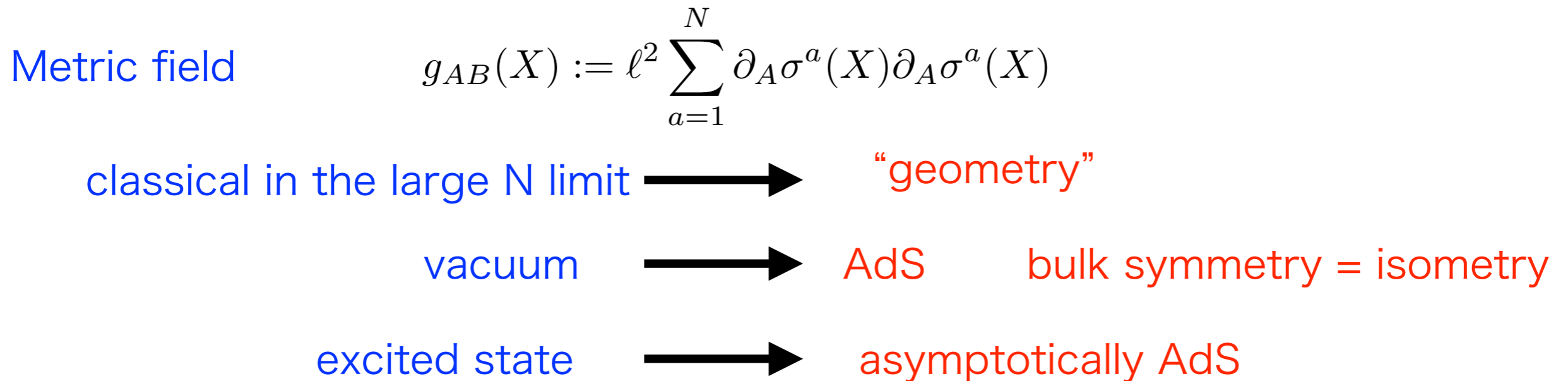
3 known parameters, a_0, a_1, a_2

$z \rightarrow 0$ asymptotically AdS

Summary



geometrical interpretation



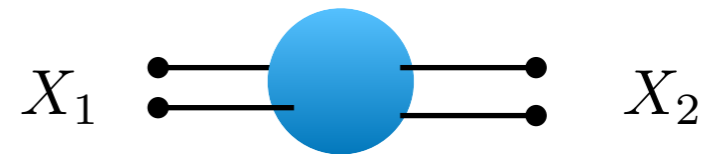
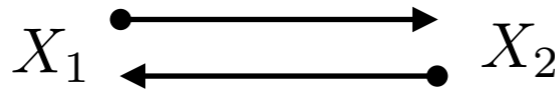
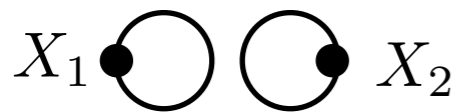
bulk “quantum” symmetry controls all properties in the bulk.

Discussions

Bulk to bulk correlation function for scalars

$$S(X) = \sigma^a(X)\sigma^a(X)$$

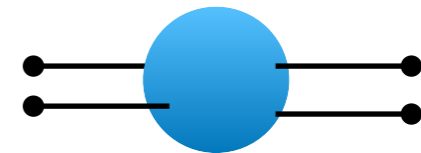
$$\langle S(X_1)S(X_2) \rangle = 1 + \frac{2}{N}G^2(X_1, X_2) + \langle S(X_1)S(X_2) \rangle_c$$



$G(X_1, X_2)$ non-singular at $X_1 = X_2$

free CFT \longrightarrow bulk theory is non-local (stringy)

connected contribution



$$\langle S(X_1)S(X_2) \rangle_c = \prod_{i=1}^4 \int d^d y_i h(X_1, y_1)h(X_1, y_2)h(X_2, y_3)h(X_2, y_4) \underline{\langle \varphi^a(y_1)\varphi^a(y_2)\varphi^b(y_3)\varphi^b(y_4) \rangle_c}$$

CFT interaction is required to recover bulk locality.

strong coupling CFT \longrightarrow bulk theory becomes local ?

Bulk matter content for asymptotically AdS

What is a matter action, which gives asymptotically AdS metric as a solution to the Einstein equation ?

$$R_{AB} - \frac{1}{2}g_{AB}R + \Lambda g_{AB} = 2\kappa T_{AB}$$

bulk scalar ?

$$S_{\Phi} = -\frac{1}{2} \int d^{d+1}X \sqrt{g} [g^{AB} \partial_A \Phi(X) \partial_B \Phi(X) + m^2 \Phi^2(X)]$$

g_{AB} : Euclidean AdS metric

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