

Conformal Blocks From the Oscillator Formalism in $d = 4$

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1. Motivation

What?

- decompose CFT correlation functions into conformal blocks

$$\begin{aligned}\langle \mathcal{O}_1(Z_1)\mathcal{O}_2(Z_2)\mathcal{O}_3(Z_3)\mathcal{O}_4(Z_4) \rangle &= \sum_{\Delta} C_{12\Delta} C_{34\Delta} G_{\Delta}^{(4)}(Z_1, \dots, Z_4) \\ &= \sum_{\Delta} C_{1234\Delta} \begin{array}{c} Z_2 \bullet \\ \diagdown \\ \text{---} \Delta \text{---} \\ \diagup \\ Z_1 \bullet \end{array} \begin{array}{c} \bullet Z_3 \\ \diagup \\ \text{---} \Delta \text{---} \\ \diagdown \\ \bullet Z_4 \end{array}\end{aligned}$$

model-dependent conformal data $\{\Delta, C_{ijk}\} \leftrightarrow$ universal building blocks $G_{\Delta}^{(4)}$

→ “universal” within a fixed setting: blocks depend on e. g.

- ▶ dimension d of base space
- ▶ topology of base space (sphere, torus, ...)

Why?

- **CFT answer:** conformal bootstrap program
use symmetry to constrain conformal data

$$\sum_{\Delta} C_{\Delta_1 \Delta_2 \Delta_3 \Delta_4}^{\Delta} \cdot \begin{array}{c} Z_2 \\ \diagdown \\ \text{---} \Delta \\ \diagup \\ Z_1 \end{array} \text{---} \begin{array}{c} Z_3 \\ \diagup \\ \text{---} \Delta \\ \diagdown \\ Z_4 \end{array} = \sum_{\Delta'} C_{\Delta_1 \Delta_3 \Delta_2 \Delta_4}^{\Delta'} \cdot \begin{array}{c} Z_2 \\ \diagdown \\ \text{---} \Delta' \\ \diagup \\ Z_1 \end{array} \text{---} \begin{array}{c} Z_3 \\ \diagup \\ \text{---} \Delta' \\ \diagdown \\ Z_4 \end{array}$$

- **Holographic answer:** AdS/CFT-correspondence [Maldacena, 1998](#)
Conformal blocks are dual to bulk *geodesic Witten diagrams* [Witten, 1998](#); [Hijano et al., 2016](#)

How?

- Direct approach: solve Ward identities and Casimir equations (Dolan and Osborn, 2004)
 - ▶ difficulty quickly increases with degree of blocks
- Recursive approach: recurrence relation method (Zamolodchikov, 1984)
 - ▶ challenging to find closed form expressions
 - ▶ only for $d = 2$
- shadow operator method (Ferrara and Parisi, 1972, Ferrara et al., 1972)
 - ▶ insert (shadow)projector into correlator

$$\Psi_{\Delta}(z_1, \dots, z_4) = \langle \mathcal{O}_1(z_1) \mathcal{O}_2(z_2) \tilde{P}_{\Delta} \mathcal{O}_3(z_3) \mathcal{O}_4(z_4) \rangle$$

- ▶ gives linear combination of conformal block and shadow block
 - ▶ conformal block extracted in an extra step
- oscillator representation method (in $d = 2$: Beşken, Datta, and Kraus, 2020)
 - ▶ express projector in terms of generalized coherent states

$$P_{\Delta} = \int [d^2 u] |\bar{u}\rangle \langle u|$$

- ▶ no shadow part!

Computation of the Four-Point Block

$$G_{\Delta}^{(4)}(Z_1, Z_2, Z_3, Z_4)$$

$$= \langle \mathcal{O}_1(Z_1) \mathcal{O}_2(Z_2) P_{\Delta} \mathcal{O}_3(Z_3) \mathcal{O}_4(Z_4) \rangle = \int [d^2U] \langle 0 | \mathcal{O}_1(Z_1) \mathcal{O}_2(Z_2) | \bar{U} \rangle \langle U | \mathcal{O}_3(Z_3) \mathcal{O}_4(Z_4) | 0 \rangle$$

$$= \int [d^2U] \text{ (Diagrammatic representation of the integral expression above)}$$

by inserting the projector: $P_{\Delta} = \int [d^2U] | \bar{U} \rangle \langle U |$

Oscillator Diagrams

Wavefunctions are determined by differential equations ("oscillator equations").

- First-level wavefunctions:

$$\chi_{\Delta,\Delta}(Z,\bar{U}) = \langle 0 | \mathcal{O}_{\Delta}(Z) | \bar{U} \rangle \sim Z \bullet \xrightarrow{\Delta} \bullet \bar{U}$$

$$\psi_{\Delta,\Delta}(Z,U) = \langle U | \mathcal{O}_{\Delta}(Z) | 0 \rangle \sim U \circ \xrightarrow{\Delta} \bullet Z$$

- Second-level wavefunctions:

$$\begin{array}{l} Z_2 \bullet \\ \diagdown \\ \text{---} \Delta \text{---} \bullet \bar{U} \\ \diagup \\ Z_1 \bullet \end{array} \sim \chi_{\Delta_1,\Delta_2,\Delta}(Z_1, Z_2; \bar{U}) = \langle 0 | \mathcal{O}(Z_1) \mathcal{O}(Z_2) | \bar{U} \rangle$$

$$\psi_{\Delta_1,\Delta_2,\Delta}(Z_1, Z_2; U) = \langle U | \mathcal{O}(Z_1) \mathcal{O}(Z_2) | 0 \rangle \sim U \circ \text{---} \Delta \text{---} \begin{array}{l} \bullet Z_2 \\ \diagup \\ \bullet Z_1 \end{array}$$

Five- and n -Point Blocks

Compute **higher-point blocks** using $\Omega_{\Delta, \Delta_1, \Delta_2}(Z; U_1, \bar{U}_2) = \langle U_1 | \mathcal{O}_{\Delta}(Z) | \bar{U}_2 \rangle$

$$\begin{aligned}
 G_{\Delta_1, \Delta_2}^{(5)} &= \text{Diagram 1} \\
 &= \int [d^2 U_1] \int [d^2 U_2] \text{Diagram 2} \cdot \text{Diagram 3} \cdot \text{Diagram 4}
 \end{aligned}$$

The diagrammatic representation shows a tree-level process with external points Z_1, Z_2, Z_3, Z_4, Z_5 and internal dashed lines with triangles Δ_1 and Δ_2 . The integral representation shows the same process with internal points U_1 and \bar{U}_2 , and external points $Z_1, Z_2, Z_3, Z_4, Z_5, U_1, \bar{U}_2$.

→ matches (Rosenhaus, 2019)

2. The Oscillator Construction in $d = 4$

Oscillator Construction in $d = 4$

(based on Calixto and Perez-Romero, 2010, 2011, 2014)

- Lorentzian conformal group: $SO(4,2)$
- its Lie group isomorphic to $\mathfrak{su}(2,2)$
- Lie algebra generators: $\mathfrak{D}, \mathfrak{P}^\mu, \mathfrak{K}^\mu, \mathfrak{M}^{\mu\nu}$
- Cartan domain $\mathbb{D}_4 = \{U \in \text{Mat}_{2 \times 2}(\mathbb{C}) : \mathbb{1} - UU^\dagger > 0\}$
- **matrix valued** oscillator variable: $U \in \mathbb{D}_4$
- unitary representation space: weighted Bergman space $\mathcal{H}L^2(\mathbb{D}_4)$
- Wick rotate to Euclidean setting for adjoint properties

$$(\mathfrak{P}^\mu)^\dagger = -\mathfrak{K}^\mu, \quad (\mathfrak{M}^{\mu\nu})^\dagger = -\mathfrak{M}^{\mu\nu}, \quad \mathfrak{D}^\dagger = \mathfrak{D}$$

- Hilbert space with inner product:

$$(f, g) = c_\Delta \int_{\mathbb{D}_4} \frac{d^4U}{\det(\mathbb{1} - U^\dagger U)^{4-\Delta}} \overline{f(U)} g(U) \equiv \int [d^2U] \overline{f(U)} g(U)$$

Oscillator Construction: Eigenbasis

- orthonormal eigenbasis:

$$\langle U | \varphi_{q_a, q_b}^{j, m} \rangle = \varphi_{q_a, q_b}^{j, m}(U) \sim \det(U)^m \mathcal{D}_{q_a, q_b}^j(U)$$

with generalized Wigner \mathcal{D} -matrices

$$\mathcal{D}_{q_a, q_b}^j(U) \sim \sum_{k=\max(0, q_a+q_b)}^{\min(j+q_a, j+q_b)} \binom{j+q_b}{k} \binom{j-q_b}{k-q_a-q_b} u_{11}^k u_{12}^{j+q_a-k} u_{21}^{j+q_b-k} u_{22}^{k-q_a-q_b}$$

- orthogonality relation:

$$\langle \varphi_{q_a, q_b}^{j, m} | \varphi_{q'_a, q'_b}^{j', m'} \rangle = \int_{\mathbb{D}_4} [d^2U] \overline{\varphi_{q_a, q_b}^{j, m}(U)} \varphi_{q'_a, q'_b}^{j', m'}(U) = \delta_{j, j'} \delta_{m, m'} \delta_{q_a, q'_a} \delta_{q_b, q'_b}$$

- highest-weight state $\varphi_{0,0}^{0,0} = 1$ with $\mathfrak{P}_\mu 1 = 0$ leads to Verma module

$$\mathcal{V}_\Delta = \text{span} \left\{ \prod_{\mu=1}^d \mathfrak{K}_\mu^{n_\mu} 1 : n_\mu = 0, 1, \dots \right\} \quad (1)$$

Oscillator Construction: Wavefunctions

- wavefunctions as diagrammatic objects:

$$\psi_{\Delta}(Z, U) = \langle U | \psi \rangle = \langle U | \mathcal{O}_{\Delta}(Z) | 0 \rangle \quad U \circ \text{---}^{\Delta} \bullet Z$$

$$\chi_{\Delta}(Z, \bar{U}) = \langle \chi | \bar{U} \rangle = \langle 0 | \mathcal{O}_{\Delta}(Z) | \bar{U} \rangle \quad Z \bullet \text{---}^{\Delta} \bullet \bar{U}$$

- derive oscillator equations:

$$0 = \langle U | \mathcal{O}_{\Delta}(Z) L | 0 \rangle = \langle U | [\mathcal{O}_{\Delta}(Z), L] + L \mathcal{O}_{\Delta}(Z) | 0 \rangle = (-\mathcal{L}^{(\Delta, Z)} + \mathfrak{L}^{*(\Delta, U)}) \psi_{\Delta}(Z; U)$$

with * indicating how the abstract generator changes

$$\langle U | L | \psi \rangle = \mathfrak{L}^* \langle U | \psi \rangle = \mathfrak{L}^* \psi(U) :$$

$$\langle U | P^{\mu} | \psi \rangle = -\mathfrak{K}^{\mu} \langle U | \psi \rangle , \quad \langle U | K^{\mu} | \psi \rangle = -\mathfrak{P}^{\mu} \langle U | \psi \rangle , \quad \langle U | M^{\mu\nu} | \psi \rangle = -\mathfrak{M}^{\mu\nu} \langle U | \psi \rangle$$

Oscillator Construction: Ward Identities and Reproducing Kernel

$$\left(\mathcal{D}^{(\Delta,z)} + \mathfrak{D}^{(\Delta,\bar{u})}\right) \chi_{\Delta,\Delta}(z; \bar{u}) = 0$$

$$\left(\mathcal{P}_{\mu}^{(\Delta,z)} + \mathfrak{P}_{\mu}^{(\Delta,\bar{u})}\right) \chi_{\Delta,\Delta}(z; \bar{u}) = 0$$

$$\left(\mathcal{K}_{\mu}^{(\Delta,z)} + \mathfrak{K}_{\mu}^{(\Delta,\bar{u})}\right) \chi_{\Delta,\Delta}(z; \bar{u}) = 0$$

$$\left(\mathcal{M}_{\mu\nu}^{(\Delta,z)} + \mathfrak{M}_{\mu\nu}^{(\Delta,\bar{u})}\right) \chi_{\Delta,\Delta}(z; \bar{u}) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \chi_{\Delta,\Delta}(z; \bar{u}) = ((z_{\mu} - \bar{u}_{\mu})^2)^{-\Delta} \delta_{\Delta,\Delta}$$

$$\left(-\mathcal{D}^{(\Delta,z)} + \mathfrak{D}^{(\Delta,u)}\right) \psi_{\Delta,\Delta}(z; u) = 0,$$

$$\left(\mathcal{P}_{\mu}^{(\Delta,z)} + \mathfrak{K}_{\mu}^{(\Delta,u)}\right) \psi_{\Delta,\Delta}(z; u) = 0,$$

$$\left(\mathcal{K}_{\mu}^{(\Delta,z)} + \mathfrak{P}_{\mu}^{(\Delta,u)}\right) \psi_{\Delta,\Delta}(z; u) = 0,$$

$$\left(\mathcal{M}_{\mu\nu}^{(\Delta,z)} + \mathfrak{M}_{\mu\nu}^{(\Delta,u)}\right) \psi_{\Delta,\Delta}(z; u) = 0.$$

$$\Rightarrow \psi_{\Delta,\Delta}(z; u) = (1 - u \cdot z)^{-2\Delta} \delta_{\Delta,\Delta}$$

$$(x_0, x_1, x_2, x_3) \leftrightarrow X = x_0 \sigma_0 + i(x_1 \sigma_1 + x_2 \sigma_2 + x_3 \sigma_3) = \begin{pmatrix} x_0 + ix_3 & ix_1 + x_2 \\ ix_1 - x_2 & x_0 - ix_3 \end{pmatrix}$$

with important identification:

$$\det(X) = x^2 = \sum_{k=0}^3 x_k^2$$

Oscillator Construction: Higher-level wavefunctions

- "outer" wavefunctions:

$$\psi_{\Delta_1, \Delta_2, \Delta}(Z^{(1)}, Z^{(2)}; U) = \det^\alpha \left(Z^{(1)} - Z^{(2)} \right) \det^\beta \left(\mathbb{1} - U \cdot Z^{(1)\dagger} \right) \det^\gamma \left(\mathbb{1} - U \cdot Z^{(2)\dagger} \right)$$
$$\chi_{\Delta_1, \Delta_2, \Delta}(Z^{(1)}, Z^{(2)}; \bar{U}) = \det^\alpha \left(Z^{(1)} - Z^{(2)} \right) \det^\beta \left(Z^{(1)} - \bar{U} \right) \det^\gamma \left(Z^{(2)} - \bar{U} \right)$$

with exponents given by linear combinations of weights:

$$\alpha = \frac{1}{2}(\Delta - \Delta_1 - \Delta_2), \quad \beta = \frac{1}{2}(\Delta_2 - \Delta_1 - \Delta), \quad \gamma = \frac{1}{2}(\Delta_1 - \Delta_2 - \Delta)$$

- "inner" wavefunction $\Omega_{\Delta, \Delta_1, \Delta_2}(Z; U^{(1)}, \bar{U}^{(2)}) = \langle U^{(1)} | \mathcal{O}_\Delta(Z) | \bar{U}^{(2)} \rangle$:

$$\Omega_{\Delta, \Delta_1, \Delta_2}(Z; U^{(1)}, \bar{U}^{(2)}) = \det^{\tilde{\alpha}} \left(Z - \bar{U}^{(2)} \right) \det^{\tilde{\beta}} \left(\mathbb{1} - U^{(1)} \cdot Z^\dagger \right) \det^{\tilde{\gamma}} \left(\mathbb{1} - U^{(1)} \cdot \bar{U}^{(2)\dagger} \right)$$

with modified exponents $\tilde{\alpha}$, $\tilde{\beta}$, $\tilde{\gamma}$ depending on $\Delta, \Delta_1, \Delta_2$

The extended Schwinger-Master-Theorem

Theorem (Δ -Extended Schwinger-Master-Theorem)

For every $\Delta \in \mathbb{N}$, $\Delta \geq 2$ and every 2×2 matrix \tilde{X} , the following identity holds

$$\begin{aligned} & \det^{-\Delta} (\mathbb{1} - t\tilde{X}) \\ &= \sum_{j \in \mathbb{N}/2} \frac{2j+1}{\Delta-1} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} t^{2j+2n} \binom{n+\Delta-2}{\Delta-2} \binom{n+2j+\Delta-1}{\Delta-2} \det^n (\tilde{X}) \sum_{q=-j}^j \mathcal{D}_{qq}^j (\tilde{X}) . \end{aligned}$$

\Rightarrow use this to expand wavefunctions in basis functions:

$$\det^{-\Delta} (\mathbb{1} - ZU^\dagger) = \sum_{j \in \mathbb{N}/2} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \sum_{q,q'=-j}^j \varphi_{q,q'}^{j,n}(Z) \varphi_{q,q'}^{j,n}(U^*)$$

Cautionary Note: $\Delta \in \mathbb{N}$ - but we want $\Delta \in \mathbb{R}$. Careful "analytic continuation" necessary!

The Two-Point Function

Use wavefunctions to calculate two-point function:

$$Z \bullet \xrightarrow{\Delta} \bullet Y = \int [d^2U] Z \bullet \xrightarrow{\Delta} \bullet \bar{U} \cdot U \circ \xrightarrow{\Delta} \bullet Y$$

$$\begin{aligned} \langle \mathcal{O}_\Delta(Z) \mathbb{P}_\Delta \mathcal{O}_\Delta(Y) \rangle &= \int_{\mathbb{D}_4} [d^2U] \chi_{\Delta,\Delta}(Z; \bar{U}) \psi_{\Delta,\Delta}(Y; U) \\ &= z^{-2\Delta} \sum_{j_1, m_1, q_1, q'_1} \sum_{j_2, m_2, q_2, q'_2} z^{-4m_1 - 4j_1} \varphi_{q_2, q'_2}^{j_2, m_2}(Y) \varphi_{q_1, q'_1}^{j_1, m_1}(Z^*) \int_{\mathbb{D}_4} [d^2U] \varphi_{q_1, q'_1}^{j_1, m_1}(\bar{U}) \varphi_{q_2, q'_2}^{j_2, m_2}(U^*) \\ &= z^{-2\Delta} \sum_{j_1, m_1, q_1, q'_1} z^{-4m_1 - 4j_1} \varphi_{q_1, q'_1}^{j_1, m_1}(Z^*) \sum_{j_2, m_2, q_2, q'_2} (\delta_{j_1, m_1, q_1, q'_1}^{j_2, m_2, q_2, q'_2} \varphi_{q_2, q'_2}^{j_2, m_2}(Y)) \varphi_{q_1, q'_1}^{j_1, m_1}(Y) \\ &= \det^{-\Delta}(Z) \det^{-\Delta}(\mathbb{1} - YZ^{-1}) = \det^{-\Delta}(Z - Y) \\ &= ((z_0 - y_0)^2 + (z_1 - y_1)^2 + (z_2 - y_2)^2 + (z_3 - y_3)^2)^{-\Delta} \\ &\Rightarrow \text{same result as by directly solving the Ward identities} \end{aligned}$$

The Four-Point Block: Preparation

- $n = 4$ -point block depends on two independent cross-ratios with $z_{ij} = |z^{(i)} - z^{(j)}|$:

$$u = \frac{z_{12}^2 z_{34}^2}{z_{13}^2 z_{24}^2}, \quad v = \frac{z_{14}^2 z_{23}^2}{z_{13}^2 z_{24}^2},$$

- choose point configuration using conformal transformations:

$$z^{(1)} \rightarrow \infty,$$

$$z^{(2)} \rightarrow (1, 0, 0, 0),$$

$$z^{(3)} \rightarrow (0, 0, 0, 0),$$

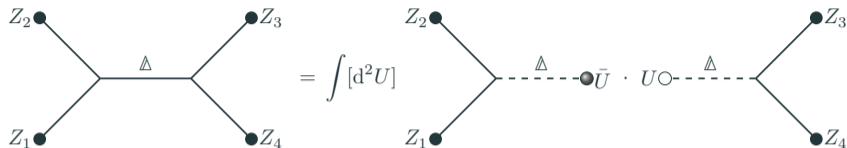
$$z^{(4)} \rightarrow (x, 0, 0, y)$$

- cross-ratios simplify to

$$u \rightarrow |z^{(4)}|^2 = x^2 + y^2 = z\bar{z}$$

$$v \rightarrow |z^{(2)} - z^{(4)}|^2 = (1 - x)^2 + y^2 = (1 - z)(1 - \bar{z})$$

The Four-Point Block: Expansion



Expand second-level wavefunctions using the extended SMT:

$$\chi_{\Delta_1, \Delta_2, \Delta}(\infty, \mathbb{1}; \bar{U}) = \Lambda^{-2\Delta_1} \sum_{q_a, q_b}^{j, m} (\gamma) \varphi_{q_a, q_b}^{j, m}(\bar{U}) (\gamma) \varphi_{q_a, q_b}^{j, m}(\mathbb{1})$$

with cutoff Λ for the limit $Z^{(1)} \rightarrow \infty$

$$\psi_{\Delta_3, \Delta_4, \Delta}(Z^{(4)}, \mathbf{0}; U) = \det^{-\varepsilon}(Z^{(4)}) \sum_{q_a, q_b}^{j, m} (\varepsilon) \varphi_{q_a, q_b}^{j, m}(U^*) (\varepsilon) \varphi_{q_a, q_b}^{j, m}(Z^{(4)}) \quad (2)$$

with $\gamma = \frac{1}{2}(\Delta + \Delta_2 - \Delta_1)$ and $\varepsilon = \frac{1}{2}(\Delta + \Delta_3 - \Delta_4)$

The Four-Point Block: Integration

$$\begin{aligned}
 G_{\Delta} &= \int [d^2U] \chi_{\Delta_1, \Delta_2, \Delta}(\infty, \mathbb{1}; \bar{U}) \psi_{\Delta_3, \Delta_4, \Delta}(Z^{(4)}, \mathbf{0}; U) \\
 &= \det^{-\varepsilon}(Z^{(4)}) \sum_{q_a, q_b}^{j, m} \sum_{q'_a, q'_b}^{j', m'} (\gamma) \varphi_{q_a, q_b}^{j, m}(\mathbb{1})_{(\varepsilon)} \varphi_{q'_a, q'_b}^{j', m'}(Z^{(4)}) \cdot \int [d^2U_{\Delta}] (\gamma) \varphi_{q_a, q_b}^{j, m}(\bar{U})_{(\varepsilon)} \varphi_{q'_a, q'_b}^{j', m'}(U^*) \\
 &= \det^{-\varepsilon}(Z^{(4)}) \sum_{q_a, q_b}^{j, m} \sum_{q'_a, q'_b}^{j', m'} (\gamma) \varphi_{q_a, q_b}^{j, m}(\mathbb{1})_{(\varepsilon)} \varphi_{q'_a, q'_b}^{j', m'}(Z^{(4)}) \cdot \frac{\mathcal{N}_{\gamma}^{j, m} \mathcal{N}_{\varepsilon}^{j, m}}{\left(\mathcal{N}_{\Delta}^{j, m}\right)^2} \delta_{j, m, q_a, q_b}^{j', m', q'_a, q'_b}
 \end{aligned}$$

Use that $\mathbb{1}$ and $Z^{(4)}$ are diagonal matrices:

$$\begin{aligned}
 &= \det^{-\varepsilon}(Z^{(4)}) \sum_{q_a, q_b}^{j, m} \frac{\left(\mathcal{N}_{\gamma}^{j, m}\right)^2 \left(\mathcal{N}_{\varepsilon}^{j, m}\right)^2}{\left(\mathcal{N}_{\Delta}^{j, m}\right)^2} \delta_{q_a, q_b} \det^m(Z^{(4)}) \mathcal{D}_{q_a, q_b}^j(Z^{(4)}) \\
 &= \frac{(z\bar{z})^{\frac{1}{2}(\Delta + \Delta_3 - \Delta_4)}}{z - \bar{z}} \sum_{m=0}^{\infty} \sum_{j \in \mathbb{N}/2} \frac{\left(\mathcal{N}_{\gamma}^{j, m}\right)^2 \left(\mathcal{N}_{\varepsilon}^{j, m}\right)^2}{\left(\mathcal{N}_{\Delta}^{j, m}\right)^2} z^m \bar{z}^m (z^{2j+1} - \bar{z}^{2j+1})
 \end{aligned}$$

The Four-Point Block: Recovering the Hypergeometric Functions

- bare block (strip away leg factor):

$$g_{\Delta} = \sum_{m=0}^{\infty} \sum_{j \in \mathbb{N}/2} \frac{(\mathcal{N}_{\gamma}^{j,m})^2 (\mathcal{N}_{\varepsilon}^{j,m})^2}{(\mathcal{N}_{\Delta}^{j,m})^2} z^m \bar{z}^m (z^{2j+1} - \bar{z}^{2j+1})$$

with

$$(\mathcal{N}_{\alpha}^{j,m})^2 = \frac{2j+1}{\alpha-1} \binom{m+\alpha-2}{\alpha-2} \binom{m+2j+\alpha-1}{\alpha-2}$$

- careful analysis of sums allows to recover:

$$z {}_2F_1 \left(\begin{matrix} -\gamma, -\varepsilon \\ \Delta \end{matrix}; z \right) {}_2F_1 \left(\begin{matrix} -\gamma-1, -\varepsilon-1 \\ \Delta-2 \end{matrix}; \bar{z} \right) - \bar{z} {}_2F_1 \left(\begin{matrix} -\gamma, -\varepsilon \\ \Delta \end{matrix}; \bar{z} \right) {}_2F_1 \left(\begin{matrix} -\gamma-1, -\varepsilon-1 \\ \Delta-2 \end{matrix}; z \right)$$

with $\gamma = \frac{1}{2}(\Delta + \Delta_2 - \Delta_1)$ and $\varepsilon = \frac{1}{2}(\Delta + \Delta_3 - \Delta_4)$

⇒ matches result of (Dolan and Osborn, 2004, 2001)

3. Conclusion and Outlook

Oscillator Formalism: From $d = 2$ to $d = 4$

	CFT in $d = 2$	CFT in $d = 4$
conf. algebra	$\mathfrak{su}(1, 1) \cong \mathfrak{sl}(2, \mathbb{R})$	$\mathfrak{su}(2, 2)$
Generators	L_{-1}, L_0, L_1 (3)	$D, P^\mu, K^\mu, M^{\mu\nu}$ (15)
Cartan domain	$\mathbb{D} = \mathrm{SU}(1, 1)/\mathrm{U}(1)$ $\cong \{u \in \mathbb{C} : 1 - u^*u > 0\}$	$\mathbb{D}_4 = \mathrm{SU}(2, 2)/(\mathrm{SU}(2)^2 \times \mathrm{U}(1))$ $\cong \{U \in \mathbb{C}^{2 \times 2} : 1 - U^\dagger U > 0\}$
ONB	Monomials $\varphi_n(u) \sim u^n$	Generalized Wigner- \mathcal{D} -matrices $\varphi_{q_a, q_b}^{j, m}(U) \sim \det(U)^m \mathcal{D}_{q_a, q_b}^j(U)$
Wavefunctions	$\psi_h(z; u) = (1 - zu)^{-2h}$ $\chi_h(z, \bar{u}) = (z - \bar{u})^{-2h}$ $\psi(z_1, z_2; u), \chi(z_1, z_2; \bar{u})$	$\psi_\Delta(z; u) = (1 - z_\mu \cdot u^\mu)^{-2\Delta}$ $\chi_\Delta(z; \bar{u}) = (z_\mu - \bar{u}_\mu)^{-2\Delta}$ $\psi(z^{(1)}, z^{(2)}; u), \chi(z^{(1)}, z^{(2)}; \bar{u})$
Conformal blocks	up to n -point blocks (Comb channel)	4-point block: \checkmark higher point blocks: ?

Take-Home Message and Outlook

The oscillator construction provides an adaptable formalism for the computation of conformal blocks:






- intuitive diagrammatic formulation
- applicable for various topologies (sphere, torus, ...)
- applicable in $d = 2$ and $d = 4$







Future directions:



- derive closed form solutions for higher-point blocks in $d = 4$
- implement spin in $d = 4$
- further explore different settings (channels, dimensions, ...)

Thank you for your attention!

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