Multiloop amplitudes of light-cone gauge superstring field theory: Odd spin structure contributions

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# Light-cone gauge SFT for closed strings

• String field

$$\Phi\left[x^{+}, p^{+}, X^{i}\left(\sigma\right)\right]$$

• Action

$$S = \int \left[ \frac{1}{2} \Phi \cdot \left( i \partial_{x^+} - \frac{L_0 + \tilde{L}_0 - 1}{p^+} \right) \Phi + \frac{g_s}{3} \Phi \cdot (\Phi * \Phi) \right]$$



## On-shell amplitudes for bosonic strings



$$A^{\rm LC} = \int \prod_{K} dt_{K} F^{\rm LC} \left( t \right)$$

On-shell amplitudes coincide with the conformal gauge ones.

$$A^{\rm conf.} = \int \prod_{a} dm_a F^{\rm conf.}(m)$$

- $t_K$  can be chosen to be the moduli parameters (Giddings-Wolpert)
- $F^{\text{LC}}(t) = F^{\text{conf.}}(t)$  (D'Hoker-Giddings)
- The integral itself is divergent.

# On-shell amplitudes for superstrings



$$\boldsymbol{A}^{\mathrm{LC}} = \sum_{\boldsymbol{\alpha}_{\mathrm{L}}, \boldsymbol{\alpha}_{\mathrm{R}}} \int \prod_{K} dt_{K} \boldsymbol{F}^{\mathrm{LC}}\left(t, \boldsymbol{\alpha}_{\mathrm{L}}, \boldsymbol{\alpha}_{\mathrm{R}}\right)$$

For superstrings, on-shell amplitudes

- with (NS,NS) external lines
- even spin structure

coincide with the conformal gauge ones. (Aoki-D'Hoker-Phong)

- The integral itself is divergent because of the contact term divergences.
- This can be remedied by dimensional regularization. (Murakami-N.I.)

# On-shell amplitudes for superstrings

In this talk, I would like to show that the above results can be generalized to the odd spin structure case. (with (NS,NS) externall lines)

We would like to show

- The LC amplitudes for odd spin structures can be recast into a conformal gauge expression.
- Although the expression yields a divergent integral, we can make it well-defined by dimensional regularization.
  - Here we assume that there are no problems of mass renormalization or vacuum shift.

#### Based on Murakami-N.I. in preparation,

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# Outline

LC gauge vs. conformal gauge

2 Odd spin structure

3 Amplitudes for odd spin structures



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# §1 LC gauge vs. conformal gauge

For bosonic strings CO

$$\begin{aligned} A^{\rm LC} &= \int \prod_{K} dt_{K} F^{\rm LC} \left( t \right) \\ F^{\rm LC} \left( t \right) &\propto \int_{\Sigma} \left[ dX^{i} \right]_{\partial \rho \bar{\partial} \bar{\rho}} e^{-S^{X^{i}}} \\ &= e^{-\Gamma[\rho, \hat{g}_{z\bar{z}}]} \int \left[ dX^{i} \right]_{\hat{g}_{z\bar{z}}} e^{-S^{X^{i}}} \prod_{r} V_{r}^{\rm LC} \left( Z_{r}, \bar{Z}_{r} \right) \end{aligned}$$



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$$F^{\rm LC}\left(t\right) = F^{\rm conf.}\left(t\right)$$

$$F^{\text{conf.}}(t) = \int \left[ dX^{\mu} db dc \right] e^{-S^{\text{conf.}}} \\ \times \prod_{K} \left[ \oint_{C_{K}} \frac{dz}{\partial \rho} b_{zz} + \varepsilon_{K} \oint_{\bar{C}_{K}} \frac{d\bar{z}}{\bar{\partial}\bar{\rho}} b_{\bar{z}\bar{z}} \right] \prod_{r} \left[ c\bar{c}V_{r}^{\text{DDF}}\left( Z_{r}, \bar{Z}_{r} \right) \right]$$

ullet  $V_r^{
m DDF}$  is a (1,1) matter primary

- $\varepsilon_K = \pm 1$
- This can be shown by just performing the integrations over  $X^{\pm}$  and b,c in  $F^{\text{conf.}}(t)$ .

# Bosonic strings

$$\begin{split} &\int \left[ dX^{\pm} \right] e^{-S^{\pm}} \prod_{r} V_{r}^{\text{DDF}} \left( Z_{r}, \bar{Z}_{r} \right) \\ &= Z_{X^{\pm}} \left\langle \prod_{r} V_{r}^{\text{DDF}} \left( Z_{r}, \bar{Z}_{r} \right) \right\rangle^{X^{\pm}} \propto Z_{X^{\pm}} \prod_{r=1}^{N} V_{r}^{\text{LC}} (Z_{r}, \bar{Z}_{r}) \\ &\int \left[ dbdc \right]_{\hat{g}_{z\bar{z}}} e^{-S^{bc}} \prod_{r=1}^{N} c\bar{c} (Z_{r}, \bar{Z}_{r}) \prod_{K=1}^{6g-6+2N} \left[ \oint_{C_{K}} \frac{dz}{\partial \rho} b_{zz} + \varepsilon_{K} \oint_{\bar{C}_{K}} \frac{d\bar{z}}{\bar{\partial}\bar{\rho}} b_{\bar{z}\bar{z}} \right] \\ &\propto (Z_{X^{\pm}})^{-1} e^{-\Gamma[\rho, \ \hat{g}_{z\bar{z}}]} \end{split}$$

$$F^{\text{conf.}}(t) \propto e^{-\Gamma[\rho,\hat{g}_{z\bar{z}}]} \int \left[ dX^{i} \right]_{\hat{g}_{z\bar{z}}} e^{-S^{X^{i}}} \prod_{r} V_{r}^{\text{LC}} \left( Z_{r}, \bar{Z}_{r} \right)$$
$$= F^{\text{LC}}(t)$$

# LC gauge amplitudes for type II strings

$$A^{\rm LC} = \sum_{\alpha_{\rm L},\alpha_{\rm R}} \int \prod_{K} dt_{K} F^{\rm LC}\left(t,\alpha_{\rm L},\alpha_{\rm R}\right)$$

- $\alpha_{\rm L}, \alpha_{\rm R}$  : spin structures of left and right moving fermions  $\mathbf{P}$
- Supercurrent for the LC variables  $T_{\rm F}^{\rm LC}\left(z
  ight)$  are inserted at the interaction points.



## LC gauge amplitudes for critical type II strings

$$F^{\mathrm{LC}}(t,\alpha_{\mathrm{L}},\alpha_{\mathrm{R}}) \propto e^{-\frac{1}{2}\Gamma[\rho;\hat{g}_{z\bar{z}}]} \int \left[ dX^{i} d\psi^{i} d\bar{\psi}^{i} \right]_{\hat{g}_{z\bar{z}}} e^{-S^{\mathrm{LC}}\left[X^{i},\psi^{i},\bar{\psi}^{i}\right]} \\ \times \prod_{I=1}^{2g-2+N} \left( \left| \partial^{2}\rho\left(z_{I}\right) \right|^{-\frac{3}{2}} T_{\mathrm{F}}^{\mathrm{LC}}\left(z_{I}\right) \bar{T}_{\mathrm{F}}^{\mathrm{LC}}\left(\bar{z}_{I}\right) \right) \\ \times \prod_{r=1}^{N} V_{r}^{\mathrm{LC}}\left(Z_{r},\bar{Z}_{r}\right) .$$



 $ds^2 = 2 \hat{g}_{z \overline{z}} dz d\overline{z}$ 

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$$F^{\mathrm{LC}}(t, \alpha_{\mathrm{L}}, \alpha_{\mathrm{R}}) = F^{\mathrm{conf.}}(t, \alpha_{\mathrm{L}}, \alpha_{\mathrm{R}})$$

$$F^{\text{conf.}}(t, \alpha_{\mathrm{L}}, \alpha_{\mathrm{R}}) \equiv \int \prod_{K} dt_{K} \int \left[ dX^{\mu} d\psi^{\mu} d\bar{\psi}^{\mu} db dc d\beta d\gamma \right]_{\hat{g}_{z\bar{z}}} e^{-S^{\text{tot}}}$$

$$\times \prod_{K} \left[ \oint_{C_{K}} \frac{dz}{\partial \rho} b_{zz} + \varepsilon_{K} \oint_{\bar{C}_{K}} \frac{d\bar{z}}{\partial \bar{\rho}} b_{\bar{z}\bar{z}} \right]^{2g-2+N} \prod_{I=1}^{2g-2+N} \left[ X(z_{I}) \bar{X}(\bar{z}_{I}) \right]$$

$$\times \prod_{r=1}^{N} \left[ c\bar{c}e^{-\phi-\bar{\phi}} V_{r}^{\text{DDF}}(Z_{r}, \bar{Z}_{r}) \right].$$

- $V_r^{\text{DDF}}$  is a  $\left(\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}\right)$  matter primary in the (NS,NS) sector.
- $X(z) = \left[c\partial\xi e^{\phi}T_{\rm F} + \frac{1}{4}\partial b\eta e^{2\phi} + \frac{1}{4}b\left(2\partial\eta e^{2\phi} + \eta\partial e^{2\phi}\right)\right](z)$
- The PCO's are inserted at the interaction points of the LC diagram.

$$F^{\text{conf.}} = F^{\text{LC}}$$

#### Proof involves two steps (Murakami-N.I.)

1.  $X\left(z\right)=-e^{\phi}T_{\rm F}^{\rm LC}\left(z\right)+\bigtriangleup\left(z\right)$  One can show that  $\bigtriangleup\left(z\right)$  does not contribute to the correlation function

$$\begin{split} F^{\text{conf.}} &= \int \prod_{K} dt_{K} \int \left[ dX^{\mu} d\psi^{\mu} d\bar{\psi}^{\mu} db dc d\beta d\gamma \right]_{\hat{g}_{Z\bar{Z}}} e^{-S^{\text{tot}}} \\ &\times \prod_{K} \left[ \oint_{C_{K}} \frac{dz}{\partial \rho} b_{zz} + \varepsilon_{K} \oint_{\bar{C}_{K}} \frac{d\bar{z}}{\bar{\partial}\bar{\rho}} b_{\bar{z}\bar{z}} \right]^{2g-2+N} \left[ e^{\phi} T_{F}^{\text{LC}} \left( z_{I} \right) e^{\bar{\phi}} \bar{T}_{F}^{\text{LC}} \left( \bar{z}_{I} \right) \right] \\ &\times \prod_{r=1}^{N} \left[ c\bar{c}e^{-\phi-\bar{\phi}} V_{r}^{\text{DDF}} (Z_{r}, \bar{Z}_{r}) \right] \,. \end{split}$$

• One can find a nilpotent fermionic charge  $\hat{Q}$ , s.t. all the insertions are  $\hat{Q}$  invariant and  $\triangle(z) = \left\{\hat{Q}, \mathcal{O}(z)\right\}$ 

$$F^{\text{conf.}} = F^{\text{LC}}$$

2. Integrating over  $X^{\pm},\psi^{\pm}$  and ghosts, we get  $F^{\rm conf.}=F^{\rm LC}$ 

$$\int \left[ dX^{\pm} d\psi^{\pm} d\bar{\psi}^{\pm} \right] e^{-S^{\pm}} \prod_{r=1}^{N} V_{r}^{\text{DDF}}(Z_{r}, \bar{Z}_{r}) \sim Z_{X^{\pm}} Z_{\psi^{\pm}} V_{r}^{\text{LC}}(Z_{r}, \bar{Z}_{r})$$

$$(b, c \text{ part}) \sim (Z_{X^{\pm}})^{-1} e^{-\Gamma[\rho, \ \bar{g}_{z\bar{z}}]}$$

$$(\beta, \gamma \text{ part}) \sim (Z_{\psi^{\pm}})^{-1} e^{\frac{1}{2}\Gamma[\rho, \ \bar{g}_{z\bar{z}}]} \prod_{I=1}^{2g-2+N} \left| \partial^{2}\rho(z_{I}) \right|^{-\frac{3}{2}}$$

$$F^{\text{conf.}} \sim e^{-\frac{1}{2}\Gamma[\rho; \hat{g}_{z\bar{z}}]} \int \left[ dX^{i} d\psi^{i} d\bar{\psi}^{i} \right]_{\hat{g}_{z\bar{z}}} e^{-S^{\text{LC}} \left[ X^{i}, \psi^{i}, \bar{\psi}^{i} \right]} \\ \times \prod_{I=1}^{2g-2+N} \left( \left| \partial^{2} \rho\left( z_{I} \right) \right|^{-\frac{3}{2}} T_{\text{F}}^{\text{LC}}\left( z_{I} \right) \bar{T}_{\text{F}}^{\text{LC}}\left( \bar{z}_{I} \right) \right) \prod_{r=1}^{N} V_{r}^{\text{LC}}\left( Z_{r}, \bar{Z}_{r} \right)$$

 $= F^{LC}$ 

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# §2 Odd spin structure

• In order for the above procedure to be well-defined we need

$$Z_{\psi\pm} = \left(\frac{\det'\left(-g^{z\bar{z}}\partial_{z}\partial_{\bar{z}}\right)}{\det\operatorname{Im}\Omega\int d^{2}z\sqrt{g}}\right)^{-\frac{1}{2}}\vartheta[\alpha_{\mathrm{L}}]\left(0\right)\vartheta[\alpha_{\mathrm{R}}]\left(0\right)^{*} \neq 0$$

• The theta function satisfies

$$\vartheta[\alpha]\left(-\zeta\right) = \left(-1\right)^{4\vec{\alpha}'\cdot\vec{\alpha}''} \vartheta[\alpha]\left(\zeta\right)$$

•  $\alpha$  is called even or odd, depending on whether  $4\vec{\alpha}' \cdot \vec{\alpha}''$  is an even or odd integer.

When the spin structure  $\alpha_L$  is odd, for example,  $\vartheta[\alpha_L](0) = 0$  and we are in trouble.

## Odd spin structures

$$\begin{split} Z_{\psi^{\pm}} &= \left(\frac{\det'\left(-g^{z\bar{z}}\partial_{z}\partial_{\bar{z}}\right)}{\det\operatorname{Im}\Omega\int d^{2}z\sqrt{g}}\right)^{-\frac{1}{2}}\vartheta[\alpha_{\mathrm{L}}]\left(0\right)\vartheta[\alpha_{\mathrm{R}}]\left(0\right)^{*}\\ &\int \left[d\beta d\gamma\right]e^{-S}{}_{\beta\gamma}\prod_{I=1}^{2g-2+N}\left[e^{\phi}\left(z_{I}\right)e^{\bar{\phi}}\left(\bar{z}_{I}\right)\right]\prod_{r=1}^{N}\left[e^{-\phi}\left(Z_{r}\right)e^{-\bar{\phi}}\left(\bar{Z}_{r}\right)\right]\\ &= \left(Z_{\psi^{\pm}}\right)^{-1}e^{\frac{1}{2}\Gamma[\rho,\ \hat{g}_{z\bar{z}}]}\prod_{r=1}^{N}e^{-\operatorname{Re}\bar{N}_{00}^{rr}}\prod_{I=1}^{2g-2+N}\left|\partial^{2}\rho\left(z_{I}\right)\right|^{-\frac{3}{2}}. \end{split}$$

•  $\vartheta[\alpha_{L}](0) = 0$  implies that  $\psi^{\pm}, \beta, \gamma$  possess zero modes  $h_{\alpha_{L}}(z), \partial \rho h_{\alpha_{L}}(z), (\partial \rho)^{-1} h_{\alpha_{L}}(z)$  where

$$h_{\alpha_{\rm L}}(z) = \sqrt{\sum_{\nu} \partial_{\nu} \vartheta \left[ \alpha_{\rm L} \right](0) \, \omega_{\nu}(z)}$$

 The conformal gauge expression involves a combination0 × ∞ and is ill-defined.

# §3 Amplitudes for odd spin structures

- In order to deal with the problem, we need to insert  $\psi^{\pm}$ ,  $\delta(\gamma)$ ,  $\delta(\beta)$  to soak up the zero modes.
- This can be achieved in a BRST invariant way by changing the pictures of some of the external lines.
- $\bullet\,$  In the following, we consider the case when  $\alpha_L$  is odd and  $\alpha_R$  is even

## Amplitudes for odd spin structures

The conformal gauge expression is taken to be

$$\begin{split} F^{\text{conf.}}\left(t,\alpha_{\mathrm{L}},\alpha_{\mathrm{R}}\right) &= \int \left[dX^{\mu}d\psi^{\mu}dbdcd\beta d\gamma\right]_{g_{z\bar{z}}^{\mathrm{A}}} e^{-S^{\mathrm{tot}}} \\ &\times \prod_{K=1}^{6g-6+2N} \left[\oint_{C_{K}} \frac{dz}{\partial\rho} b_{zz} + \varepsilon_{K} \oint_{\bar{C}_{K}} \frac{d\bar{z}}{\bar{\partial}\bar{\rho}} b_{\bar{z}\bar{z}}\right] \prod_{I} \left[X\left(z_{I}\right)\bar{X}\left(\bar{z}_{I}\right)\right] \\ &\times V_{1}^{(-2,-1)}\left(Z_{1},\bar{Z}_{1}\right) V_{2}^{(0,-1)}\left(Z_{2},\bar{Z}_{2}\right) \prod_{r=3}^{N} \left[V_{r}^{(-1,-1)}(Z_{r},\bar{Z}_{r})\right], \end{split}$$

$$\begin{split} V_r^{(-1,-1)}(Z_r,\bar{Z}_r) &= c\bar{c}e^{-\phi-\bar{\phi}}V_r^{\text{DDF}}(Z_r,\bar{Z}_r) \\ V_1^{(-2,-1)}\left(Z_1,\bar{Z}_1\right) &= -\frac{2}{p_1^+}c\bar{c}e^{-2\phi}e^{-\bar{\phi}}\psi^+V_1^{\text{DDF}}\left(Z_1,\bar{Z}_1\right), \\ V_2^{(0,-1)}\left(Z_2,\bar{Z}_2\right) &= \left[-\frac{1}{2}c\bar{c}e^{-\bar{\phi}}\left(p_2^+\psi^- + \left(p_2^- - \frac{N_2}{p_2^+} - \frac{Q^2}{2p_2^+}\right)\psi^+ - \bar{p}_2\cdot\bar{\psi}\right) + \frac{1}{4}\bar{c}\gamma e^{-\bar{\phi}}\right]V_2^{\text{DDF}} \\ &\quad < \Box \models <\overline{\Box} \models <\overline{\Box}$$

$$F^{\text{conf.}} = F^{\text{LC}}$$

#### Proof involves two steps

1. One can show that  $X\left(z_{I}\right)$  can be replaced by  $-e^{\phi}T_{\rm F}^{\rm LC}\left(z_{I}\right)$  and  $V_{2}^{(0,-1)}$  by the first term

$$\begin{split} F^{\text{conf.}}\left(t,\alpha_{\mathrm{L}},\alpha_{\mathrm{R}}\right) &= \int \left[ dX^{\mu} d\psi^{\mu} db dc d\beta d\gamma \right]_{\hat{g}_{Z\bar{Z}}} e^{-S^{\text{tot}}} \\ &\times \prod_{K=1}^{6g-6+2N} \left[ \oint_{C_{K}} \frac{dz}{\partial \rho} b_{zz} + \epsilon_{K} \oint_{\bar{C}_{K}} \frac{d\bar{z}}{\partial \bar{\rho}} b_{\bar{z}\bar{z}} \right] \prod_{I} \left[ e^{\phi} T_{\mathrm{F}}^{\mathrm{LC}}\left(z_{I}\right) e^{\bar{\phi}} \bar{T}_{\mathrm{F}}^{\mathrm{LC}}\left(\bar{z}_{I}\right) \right] \\ &\times \left[ -\frac{2}{p_{1}^{+}} c\bar{c}e^{-2\phi} e^{-\bar{\phi}} \psi^{+} V_{1}^{\mathrm{DDF}} \right] (Z_{1}, \bar{Z}_{1}) V_{2}^{(0,-1)} (Z_{2}, \bar{Z}_{2}) \\ &\times \left[ -\frac{1}{2} c\bar{c}e^{-\bar{\phi}} p_{2}^{+} \psi^{-} \right] V_{2}^{\mathrm{DDF}} (Z_{2}, \bar{Z}_{2}) \\ &\times \prod_{r=3}^{N} \left[ c\bar{c}e^{-\phi-\bar{\phi}} V_{r}^{\mathrm{DDF}}(Z_{r}, \bar{Z}_{r}) \right] \end{split}$$

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$$F^{\text{conf.}} = F^{\text{LC}}$$

2. Integrating over  $X^{\pm}, \psi^{\pm}$  and ghosts, we get  $F^{\text{conf.}} = F^{\text{LC}}$ 

$$\begin{split} & \int \left[ dX^{\pm} d\psi^{\pm} d\bar{\psi}^{\pm} \right] e^{-S^{\pm}} \prod_{r=1}^{N} V_{r}^{\text{DDF}}(Z_{r}, \bar{z}_{r})\psi^{\pm}(Z_{1})\psi^{-}(Z_{2}) \\ & \sim Z_{X^{\pm}} \prod_{r=1}^{N} V_{r}^{\text{LC}}(Z_{r}, \bar{z}_{r}) \left( \frac{\det'\left(-g^{z\bar{z}}\partial_{z}\partial_{\bar{z}}\right)}{\det \operatorname{Im}\Omega \int d^{2}z\sqrt{g}} \right)^{-\frac{1}{2}} \vartheta[\alpha_{\mathrm{R}}](0)^{*} h_{\alpha_{\mathrm{L}}}(Z_{1}) h_{\alpha_{\mathrm{L}}}(Z_{2}) \\ & (b, c \text{ part}) \sim (Z_{X^{\pm}})^{-1} e^{-\Gamma[\rho, \dot{\vartheta}_{z\bar{z}}]} \\ & (\beta, \gamma \text{ part}) \\ & \sim e^{\frac{1}{2}\Gamma[\rho, \dot{\vartheta}_{z\bar{z}}]} \frac{2g^{-2+N}}{\prod_{I=1}^{I}} \left| \partial^{2}\rho(z_{I}) \right|^{-\frac{3}{2}} \\ & \times \frac{p_{1}^{+}}{p_{2}^{+}} \left( \frac{\det'\left(-g^{z\bar{z}}\partial_{z}\partial_{\bar{z}}\right)}{\det \operatorname{Im}\Omega \int d^{2}z\sqrt{g}} \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} \left( \vartheta[\alpha_{\mathrm{R}}](0)^{*} h_{\alpha_{\mathrm{L}}}(Z_{1}) h_{\alpha_{\mathrm{L}}}(Z_{2}) \right)^{-1} \\ F^{\text{conf.}} \sim e^{-\frac{1}{2}\Gamma[\rho; \hat{\vartheta}_{z\bar{z}}]} \int \left[ dX^{i} d\psi^{i} d\bar{\psi}^{i} \right]_{\hat{\vartheta}_{z\bar{z}}} e^{-S^{\mathrm{LC}}\left[X^{i}, \psi^{i}, \bar{\psi}^{i}\right]} \\ & \times \prod_{I=1}^{2g^{-2+N}} \left( \left| \partial^{2}\rho(z_{I}) \right|^{-\frac{3}{2}} T_{\mathrm{F}}^{\mathrm{LC}}(z_{I}) T_{\mathrm{F}}^{\mathrm{LC}}(\bar{z}_{I}) \right) \prod_{r=1}^{N} V_{r}^{\mathrm{LC}}(Z_{r}, \bar{z}_{r}) . \\ = F^{\mathrm{LC}} \end{split}$$

## Contact term divergences

• The amplitude

$$A = \sum_{\alpha_{\rm L},\alpha_{\rm R}} \int \prod_{K} dt_{K} F^{\rm LC}(t,\alpha_{\rm L},\alpha_{\rm R})$$
$$= \sum_{\alpha_{\rm L},\alpha_{\rm R}} \int \prod_{K} dt_{K} F^{\rm conf.}(t,\alpha_{\rm L},\alpha_{\rm R})$$

is ill-defined because of the contact term divergences.

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## Dimensional regularization



- The divergences can be regularized by dimensional regularization.
- By considering the theory in a linear dilaton background  $\Phi = -iQX^1$ , with a real constant Q, we can make the amplitudes well-defined for  $Q^2 > 10$ :

$$\begin{split} F^{\mathrm{LC}}\left(t,\alpha_{\mathrm{L}},\alpha_{\mathrm{R}}\right) &\sim e^{-\frac{1-Q^{2}}{2}\Gamma\left[\rho;\hat{g}_{z\bar{z}}\right]} \\ &\times \int \left[dX^{i}d\psi^{i}d\bar{\psi}^{i}\right]_{\hat{g}_{z\bar{z}}} e^{-S^{\mathrm{LC}}\left[X^{i},\psi^{i},\bar{\psi}^{i}\right]} \\ &\times \prod_{I=1}^{2g-2+N} \left(\left|\partial^{2}\rho\left(z_{I}\right)\right|^{-\frac{3}{2}}T^{\mathrm{LC}}_{\mathrm{F}}\left(z_{I}\right)\bar{T}^{\mathrm{LC}}_{\mathrm{F}}\left(\bar{z}_{I}\right)\right) \prod_{r=1}^{N}V^{\mathrm{LC}}_{r}\left(Z_{r},\bar{Z}_{r}\right) \,. \end{split}$$

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### Dimensional regularization

• We can prove 
$$F^{LC}(t, \alpha_L, \alpha_R) = F^{conf.}(t, \alpha_L, \alpha_R)$$

$$\begin{split} F^{\text{conf.}}\left(t,\alpha_{\mathrm{L}},\alpha_{\mathrm{R}}\right) &= \int \left[dX^{\mu}d\psi^{\mu}dbdcd\beta d\gamma\right]_{g_{z\bar{z}}^{\mathrm{A}}} e^{-S^{\text{tot}}} \\ &\times \prod_{K=1}^{6g-6+2N} \left[\oint_{C_{K}} \frac{dz}{\partial\rho}b_{z\bar{z}} + \varepsilon_{K} \oint_{\bar{C}_{K}} \frac{d\bar{z}}{\bar{\partial}\bar{\rho}}b_{\bar{z}\bar{z}}\right] \\ &\times \prod_{I} \left[X\left(z_{I}\right)\bar{X}\left(\bar{z}_{I}\right)\right] \prod_{r} e^{-\frac{iQ^{2}}{\alpha_{r}}X^{+}} \left(\hat{\bar{z}}_{I\left(r\right)},\hat{\bar{z}}_{I\left(r\right)}\right) \\ &\times V_{1}^{\left(-2,-1\right)}\left(Z_{1},\bar{Z}_{1}\right) V_{2}^{\left(0,-1\right)}\left(Z_{2},\bar{Z}_{2}\right) \prod_{r=3}^{N} \left[V_{r}^{\left(-1,-1\right)}(Z_{r},\bar{Z}_{r})\right] \,. \end{split}$$

## Dimensional regularization

- The longitudinal part is a super conformal field theory with  $c = 3 + 12Q^2$  so that the total central charge vanishes.
- The LC amplitudes  $A^{\text{LC}}(Q^2)$  are well-defined for  $Q^2 > 10$  and can be defined as analytic functions of  $Q^2$ .
- $A^{\text{conf.}}(Q^2)$  can be made well-defined by avoiding the spurious singularities using Sen-Witten prescription for  $Q^2 < 10$  and

$$A^{\rm LC}\left(Q^2\right) = A^{\rm conf.}\left(Q^2\right)$$

•  $\lim_{Q\to 0} A^{\text{LC}}(Q^2)$  is well-defined when there are no infrared divergences.

# §4 Outlook

- We have shown that the odd spin structure contributions to the light-cone gauge amplitudes correspond to the conformal gauge expression using the vertex operators V<sup>(-2,-1)</sup>, V<sup>(0,-1)</sup>.
- The contact term divergences can be regularized by dimensional regularization.

• The wrong picture vertex operators  $V^{(-2,-1)}, V^{(0,-1)}$ ?

# Vacuum shift and mass renormalization

- Mass renormalization may be dealt with by making the external line off-shell.
- There exist no light-cone tadpole diagrams but there are divergences associated with them.



• We may have to deal with it in the same way as the UV divergences in usual field theory.



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#### Outlook

#### Anomaly factor **PRACK**

$$e^{-\Gamma\left[\rho, g_{z\bar{z}}^{\mathrm{A}}\right]} \propto \prod_{r=1}^{N} \left[ \alpha_{r}^{-1} (g_{Z_{r}\bar{Z}_{r}}^{\mathrm{A}})^{-\frac{1}{2}} e^{-\operatorname{Re}\bar{N}_{00}^{rr}} \right]^{2g-2+N} \prod_{I=1}^{2g-2+N} \left[ (g_{z_{I}\bar{z}_{I}}^{\mathrm{A}})^{-\frac{1}{2}} \left| \partial^{2} \rho(z_{I}) \right|^{-\frac{1}{2}} \right]$$

- $g_{z\bar{z}}^{\mathrm{A}}$ : Arakelov metric on the surface
- $r=1,\ldots,N$  label the punctures
- I = 1, ..., 2g 2 + N label the interaction points, where  $\partial \rho(z_I) = 0$ .
- $\bar{N}_{00}^{rr} \equiv \frac{1}{p_r^+} \left( \rho(z_{I^{(r)}}) \lim_{z \to Z_r} \left( \rho(z) p_r^+ \ln(z Z_r) \right) \right)$



#### Outlook

#### Spin structure • BACK



 $\bullet$  When z is moved around the cycles once, left moving fermion  $\phi\left(z\right)$  transforms as

$$\begin{split} \phi(z) &\to e^{2\pi i \alpha'_{\text{L}j}} \phi(z) \ (A_j \text{ cycle}) \\ \phi(z) &\to e^{2\pi i \alpha''_{\text{L}j}} \phi(z) \ (B_j \text{ cycle}) \end{split}$$

with  $\alpha'_{L,j},\,\alpha''_{L,j}=0,\frac{1}{2}.$  We label the spin structure by the vector  $\alpha_L$  .

•  $\alpha_{\rm R}$  is defined in the same way.