

# **Perturbative superstring theory and the IKKT Matrix Model**

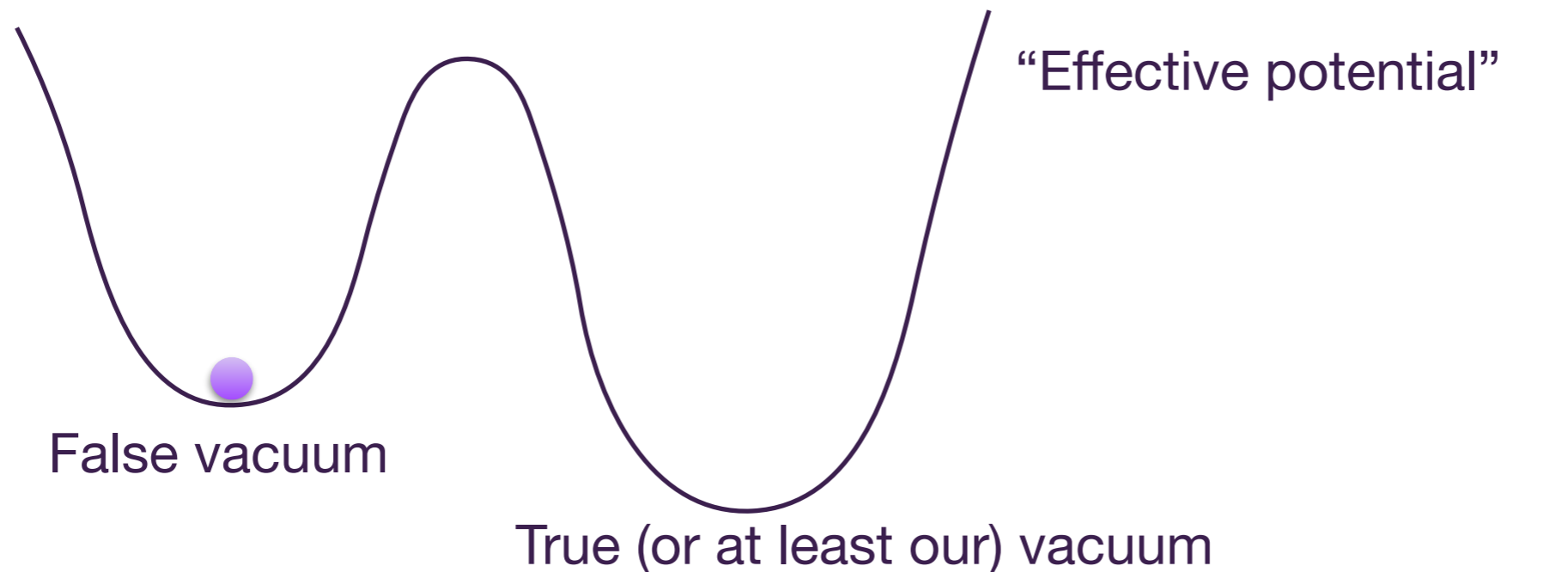
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# Introduction

## *What's wrong with superstring theory?*

The established string theory is merely based on perturbation theory.

- There're infinitely many candidates of the vacuum, and it's unpredictable.



How is our 4D spacetime realised?

- Non-perturbative physics such as black holes and the early universe is not predictable strictly speaking.

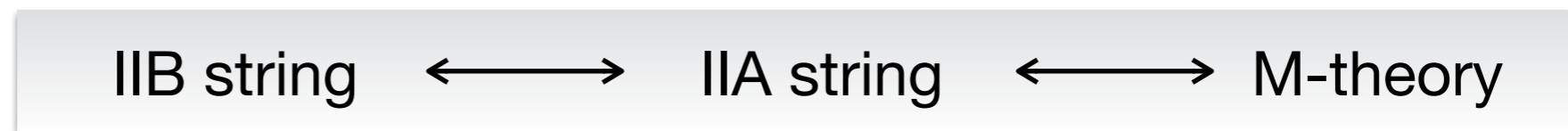
We need **non-perturbative formulation**  
to make it genuinely predictable quantum gravity theory!

# Introduction

1988–1993 Non-pert. formulation of 2D critical string theory and non-critical string theories  
... However, this isn't naively applicable to superstring

1994–1995 Progress in superstring theory

- Dualities between superstring theories



- D-branes



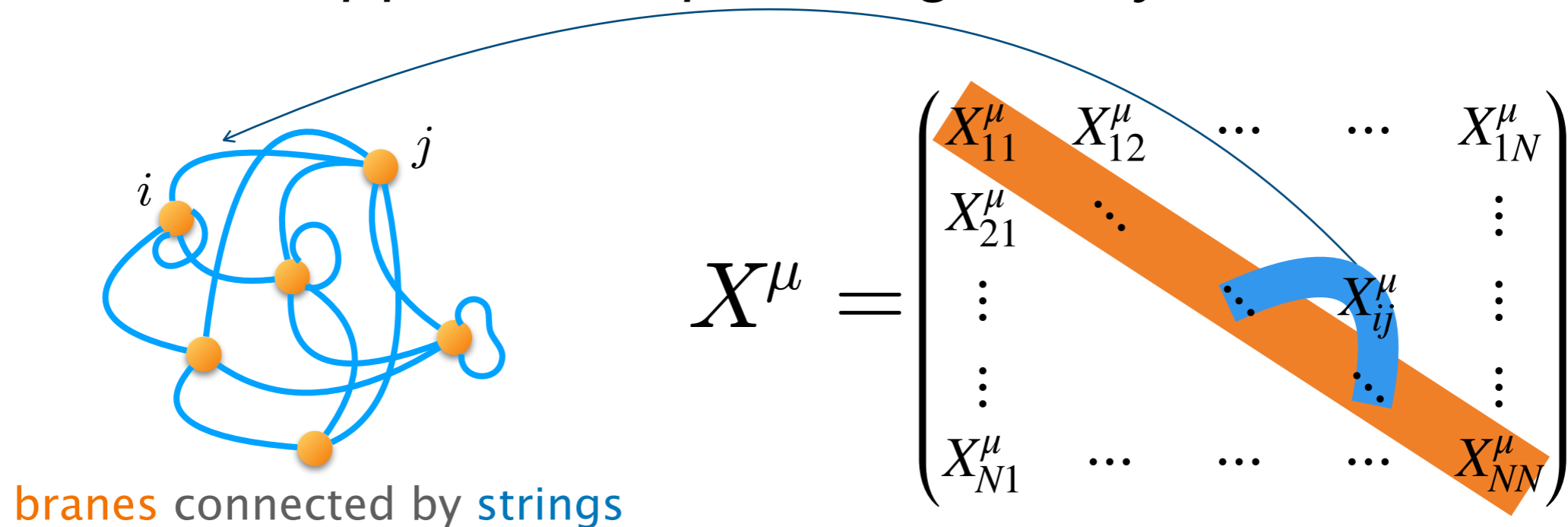
1996 **Non-pert. formulation of superstring theory**

- BFSS matrix model [Banks, Fischler, Shenker, Susskind '96]
- **IKKT matrix model** [Ishibashi, Kawai, Kitazawa, Tsuchiya '96]

1997 • Gauge/gravity duality [Maldacena '97, ...]

# Introduction

*How matrices appear in superstring theory*



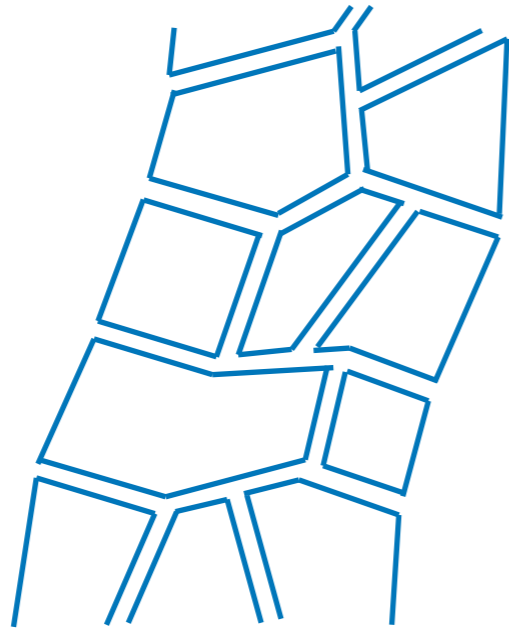
The duality between IIA string and M-theory

- ➔ The non-relativistic D0 dynamics (BFSS matrix model) describes the DLCQ M-theory [Banks, Fischler, Shenker, Susskind '96]  
... equivalent to the matrix regularisation of supermembrane [de Wit, Hoppe, Nicolai '88]
- ➔ The matrix regularisation of superstring (IKKT matrix model) describes the type IIB string theory [Ishibashi, Kawai, Kitazawa, Tsuchiya '96]

# Introduction

## *Quantum corrections in string theory*

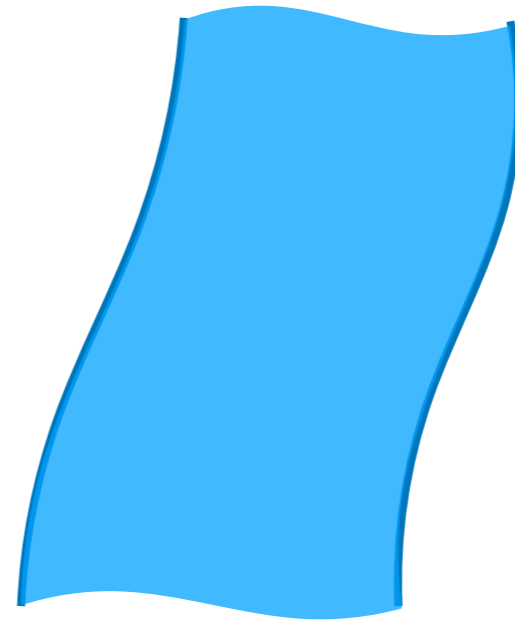
Matrix model



Feynman diagram

$1/N$  expansion

String theory



string worldsheet

genus expansion

$$F = N^2 F_0 + F_1 + \frac{1}{N^2} F_2 + \dots = \sum_{g=0}^{\infty} N^{2-2g} F_g$$

# Introduction

## *The IKKT matrix model*

[Ishibashi, Kawai, Kitazawa, Tsuchiya '96]

$$S[X, \Psi] = N \text{tr} \left[ \frac{1}{4} [X^\mu, X^\nu] [X_\mu, X_\nu] + \frac{1}{2} \Psi^T \Gamma^\mu [X_\mu, \Psi] \right]$$

$X^\mu$ : bosonic  $N \times N$  matrices ( $\mu = 0, \dots, 9$ )       $\Psi$ : Majorana-Weyl fermionic  $N \times N$  matrices

This 0-dimensional theory is considered to describe type-IIB superstring theory non-perturbatively. We believe this because it:

- has supersymmetry identical to that of type-IIB string:  $\mathcal{N} = (2,0)$  in (9+1)D
- reproduces perturbative results  
(graviton-exchange potential, scattering amplitudes, etc. )
- can reproduce the light-cone string field theory by the Schwinger-Dyson eq.  
[Fukuma, Kawai, Kitazawa, Tsuchiya '97]
- has potential to dynamically realise **(3+1)D space-time at large  $N$** 
  - Dynamics of the diagonal elements of  $X^\mu$  forms 4D [Aoki, Iso Kawai, Kitazawa, Tada '98]
  - SSB to SO(3) is observed [Anagnostopoulos, Azuma, Ito, Nishimura, Okubo, Papadoudis '20]

# Introduction

## *Matrix identification of gravity*

While there is an interpretation of matrices as the coordinates, there are interpretations in which gravitons are included as matrix elements.

$$X_a \sim ie_a^\mu \nabla_\mu + \dots$$

- Hanada-Kawai-Kimura interpretation [Hanada, Kawai, Kimura '06;...]

➔ The classical E.o.M. gives the Einstein-Hilbert gravity

- Weitzenböck connection interpretation [Sperling, Steinacker '19; Steinacker '20;...]

➔ The classical E.o.M. gives modified gravity (“pre-gravity”) while the one-loop correction gives the Einstein-Hilbert gravity.

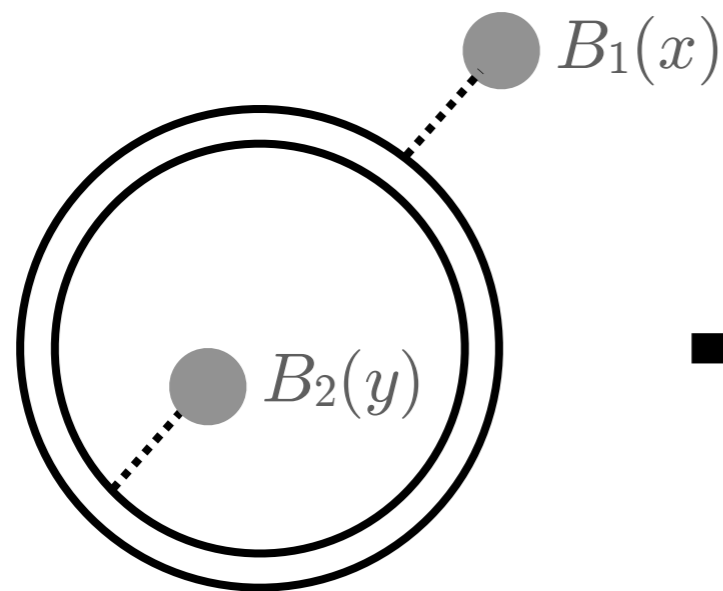
[Fredenhagen, Steinacker '21; Y.A. Steinacker '21; Steinacker '21]

# Introduction

## *Matrix identification of gravity*

Also, the interpretations seem to give a solution to the **naturalness problem**. The quantum corrections in HKK produce a multi-local effective action, which implies that the coupling constants are dynamically fine-tuned.

[Coleman '88; Kawai, Okada '11, '13; Y.A., Kawai, Tsuchiya '12; Hamada, Kawai, Oda '18;... ]



$$\int_{\underbrace{B_1(x)}_{\Psi}} d^d x \mathcal{O}_1(x) \int_{\underbrace{B_2(y)}_{\Psi}} d^d y \mathcal{O}_2(y) = S_{\text{int},1} S_{\text{int},2}$$

$$w(S_{\text{int}}) = e^{i(c_i S_{\text{int},i} + c_{ij} S_{\text{int},i} S_{\text{int},j} + \dots)} = \int [d\lambda] \tilde{w}(\lambda) e^{i\lambda_i S_{\text{int},i}}$$

Very attractive! But how can one be certain about the interpretations of  $X$ ?  
... My motivation to revisit its relationship to the perturbative string



# Introduction

*Problem: How is the 0D theory defined?*

The IKKT action:

[Ishibashi, Kawai, Kitazawa, Tsuchiya '96]

$$S[X, \psi; G_{\mu\nu}] = N \operatorname{tr} \left[ \frac{1}{4} G_{\mu\rho} G_{\nu\sigma} [X^\mu, X^\nu] [X^\rho, X^\sigma] + \frac{1}{2} \psi^T G_{\mu\nu} \Gamma^\mu [X^\nu, \psi] \right]$$

$X^\mu$ : bosonic  $N \times N$  matrices ( $\mu = 0, \dots, 9$ )       $\psi$ : Majorana-Weyl fermionic  $N \times N$  matrices

However, we don't really know how the IKKT action enters in the partition fn.

$$Z = \int [dX][d\psi] e^{iS[X, \psi; \eta_{\mu\nu}]} ? \quad \left( \eta_{\mu\nu} = \operatorname{diag}(-1, 1, \dots, 1)_{\mu\nu} \right)$$

		metric in the action	
		Euclidean	Lorentzian
weight	Euclidean	$e^{-S[X, \psi; \delta_{\mu\nu}]}$	$e^{-S[X, \psi; \eta_{\mu\nu}]}$
	Lorentzian	$e^{iS[X, \psi; \delta_{\mu\nu}]}$	$e^{iS[X, \psi; \eta_{\mu\nu}]}$

“Euclidean IKKT model”

“Lorentzian IKKT model”

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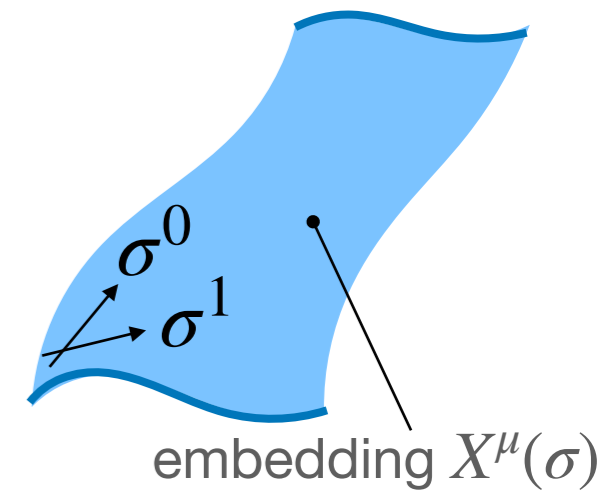
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# Green-Schwarz formalism

## Nambu-Goto-type action

The following respects target-space supersymmetry.



$$S_{\text{GS}} = -\frac{1}{2\pi} \int d^2\sigma \left\{ \underbrace{\sqrt{-\det(\eta_{\mu\nu} \Pi_a^\mu \Pi_b^\nu)}}_{\text{area of the worldsheet}} - i\varepsilon^{ab} \partial_a X^\mu (\theta^{1T} \Gamma_\mu \partial_b \theta^1 - \theta^{2T} \Gamma_\mu \partial_b \theta^2) + \varepsilon^{ab} \theta^{1T} \Gamma^\mu \partial_a \theta^1 \theta^{2T} \Gamma_\mu \partial_b \theta^2 \right\}$$

$X^\mu$ : bosons (position of a string)     $\theta^A$ : Majorana-Weyl fermions ( $A = 1, 2$ )

worldsheet index:  $a = 0, 1$                       target space index:  $\mu = 0, \dots, 9$

$$\Pi_a^\mu = \partial_a X^\mu - i(\theta^{1T} \Gamma^\mu \partial_a \theta^1 + \theta^{2T} \Gamma^\mu \partial_a \theta^2)$$

$$\text{SUSY:} \quad \delta^s \theta^A = \epsilon^A \quad \delta^s X^\mu = i(\epsilon^{1T} \Gamma^\mu \theta^1 + \epsilon^{2T} \Gamma^\mu \theta^2)$$

(10D type II SUSY)

[Green, Schwarz '84]

# Green-Schwarz formalism

$$S_{\text{GS}} = -\frac{1}{2\pi} \int d^2\sigma \left\{ \frac{\sqrt{-\det(\eta_{\mu\nu} \Pi_a^\mu \Pi_b^\nu)}}{h} - i\varepsilon^{ab} \partial_a X^\mu (\theta^{1T} \Gamma_\mu \partial_b \theta^1 - \theta^{2T} \Gamma_\mu \partial_b \theta^2) + \varepsilon^{ab} \theta^{1T} \Gamma^\mu \partial_a \theta^1 \theta^{2T} \Gamma_\mu \partial_b \theta^2 \right\}$$

$X^\mu$ : 10 bosons

→ 8  $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{left-moving} \\ \text{right-moving} \end{array} \right.$

$\theta^A$ : 32 fermions

→ 8 + 8

They match!

## Gauge symmetries

Reparametrisation symmetry:

$$\delta^b \theta^A = -\delta\sigma^a \partial_a \theta^A \quad \delta^b X^\mu = -\delta\sigma^a \partial_a X^\mu \quad 2 \text{ bosons are redundant}$$

“ $\kappa$  symmetry” (local fermionic symmetry):

$$\delta^f \theta^1 = (\mathbf{1} + \tilde{\Gamma}) \kappa^1 \quad \delta^f \theta^2 = (\mathbf{1} - \tilde{\Gamma}) \kappa^2 \quad \delta^f X^\mu = -i(\delta^f \theta^{1T} \Gamma^\mu \theta^1 + \delta^f \theta^{2T} \Gamma^\mu \theta^2)$$

$$\left( \tilde{\Gamma} = \frac{\varepsilon^{ab}}{2\sqrt{-h}} \Gamma_{\mu\nu} \Pi_a^\mu \Pi_b^\nu, \quad \tilde{\Gamma}^2 = \mathbf{1} \right)$$

16 fermions are redundant

# Green-Schwarz formalism

## *Algebra of kappa symmetry*

There have been obstacles of quantisation in the G-S formalism.

- $\kappa$  symmetry has an infinite series of gauge symmetry

$$\delta^f \theta^1 = (\mathbf{1} + \tilde{\Gamma})\kappa^1 \quad \kappa^1 \sim \kappa^1 + (\mathbf{1} - \tilde{\Gamma})\kappa'^1 \quad \kappa'^1 \sim \kappa'^1 + (\mathbf{1} + \tilde{\Gamma})\kappa''^1 \quad \dots$$

- $\kappa$  symmetry is not closed off-shell

$$[\delta_{\kappa_1}^f, \delta_{\kappa_2}^f] = \delta_{\nu_3}^b + \delta_{\kappa_3}^f + \delta_{\lambda_3}^\lambda + (\text{E.o.M.})$$



Batalin-Vilkoviski quantisation w/ an infinite tower of ghosts

[Kallosh '89;...]

# Schild-type action

The Nambu-Goto-type action is equivalent to the following Schild-type action:

$$S_{\text{Schild}} = -\frac{1}{2\pi} \int d^2\sigma \left\{ \underbrace{-\frac{1}{2} \left( \frac{h}{e_g} - e_g \right)}_{\text{Lagrangian}} - i\varepsilon^{ab} \partial_a X^\mu (\theta^{1T} \Gamma_\mu \partial_b \theta^1 - \theta^{2T} \Gamma_\mu \partial_b \theta^2) + \varepsilon^{ab} \theta^{1T} \Gamma^\mu \partial_a \theta^1 \theta^{2T} \Gamma_\mu \partial_b \theta^2 \right\}$$

$e_g$ : a Lagrange multiplier or “gauge field”

E.o.M. for  $e_g$ :  $e_g^2 = -h$

✧ Integrating out  $e_g$  brings this back to the Nambu-Goto action.

Remarkably, the fermionic gauge symmetry is formally enhanced:

$$\delta^f X^\mu = -i(\delta^f \theta^{1T} \Gamma^\mu \theta^1 + \delta^f \theta^{2T} \Gamma^\mu \theta^2)$$

$$\delta^f e_g = \frac{4ie_g^2}{e_g^2 + h} \sum_{A=1}^2 \left( \frac{-h}{e_g} h^{ab} + (-1)^{A+1} \varepsilon^{ab} \right) \delta^f \theta^{AT} \Gamma_\mu \Pi_a^\mu \partial_b \theta^A$$

$\delta^f \theta^A$  is **not projected** by  $\frac{1}{2}(\mathbf{1} \pm \tilde{\Gamma})$ .

[Y.A. to appear]

# Enhanced kappa symmetry

## *Algebra of the enhanced kappa symmetry*

Each sector of the enhanced  $\kappa$  symmetry

$$\delta^f = \delta^{f\varphi} + \delta^{f\psi} \quad \text{with} \quad \varphi = \frac{1}{2}(\theta_1 + i\theta_2) \quad \psi = \frac{1}{2}(\theta_1 - i\theta_2)$$

is **closed off-shell**, with a “trivial” gauge symmetry  $\delta^g e_g = \frac{e_g^2}{e_g^2 + h} \partial_a (e_g \mu^a)$

$$[\delta_{\kappa_1}^{f\varphi}, \delta_{\kappa_2}^{f\varphi}] = \delta_{\kappa_3}^{f\varphi} + \delta_{\mu_3}^g$$

$$[\delta_{v_1}^b, \delta_{v_2}^b] = \delta_{v_3}^b, \quad [\delta_v^b, \delta_{\kappa}^{f\varphi}] = \delta_{\kappa'}^{f\varphi} - \delta_{\delta_{\kappa} v}^b,$$

$$[\delta_v^b, \delta_{\mu}^g] = \delta_{\mu'}^g - \delta_{\delta_{\mu} v}^b, \quad [\delta_{\kappa}^{f\varphi}, \delta_{\mu}^g] = \delta_{\kappa''}^{f\varphi} + \delta_{\mu'''}^g, \quad [\delta_{\mu_1}^g, \delta_{\mu_2}^g] = \delta_{\mu_3'}^g,$$

[Y.A. to appear]

**➔** BRST quantisation w/o ghosts of ghosts

⌘ Note the algebra is closed even if we take only the area-preserving diffeo. part  $\delta^{b'} X^\mu = -\varepsilon^{ab} \partial_b \xi \partial_a X^\mu$  instead of  $\delta^b$ . ... SU(N) trf. after the matrix regularisation

# Schild-type action

*Gauge-fixing for obtaining the IKKT action*

Fixing the gauge by  $e_g = \hat{e}_g(\sigma) = 1 \quad \varphi = 0$

one obtains

$$S_{\text{Schild}} = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int d^2\sigma \left[ \frac{1}{4} \underbrace{\{X^\mu, X^\nu\}_{\hat{P}}^2}_{\text{red arrow}} - \frac{1}{2} + 2i\psi^T \Gamma_\mu \{X^\mu, \psi\}_{\hat{P}} + \text{ghosts} \right]$$

$$h = \det(\partial_a X^\mu \partial_b X_\mu) = \frac{1}{2} \underbrace{(\varepsilon^{ab} \partial_a X^\mu \partial_b X^\nu)^2}_{=:\{X^\mu, X^\nu\}_{\hat{P}}}$$

Matrix regularisation of this action would give the Lorentzian IKKT.

However, this Poisson bracket is defined on (1+1)D worldsheet...

(matrix reg. wouldn't be well-defined)



# “Derivation” of the IKKT model

## *Wick rotation*

Unlike the Polyakov-type action, we can find a Wick rotation that rigorously connects the Lorentzian and Euclidean for the Schild-type action:

$$\sigma^0 = e^{-i\theta} \sigma^2, \quad X^0 = e^{-i\theta} X^{10}, \quad \psi = e^{i\theta/2} \psi^{(E)}$$

Then, 
$$\{f_1, f_2\}_P = - e^{i\theta} \sum_{a,b=1}^2 \frac{\varepsilon^{ab}}{e_g} \partial_a f_1 \partial_b f_2 =: - e^{i\theta} \{f_1, f_2\}_P^{(E)}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \exp[iS_{\text{Schild}}] &= \exp \left[ \frac{i}{2\pi} \int d\sigma^0 d\sigma^1 \left( \frac{1}{4} \{X^i, X^j\}_{\hat{P}}^2 - \frac{1}{2} \{X^0, X^i\}_{\hat{P}}^2 - \frac{1}{2} + 2i\psi^T \Gamma_i \{X^i, \psi\}_{\hat{P}} + 2i\psi^T \Gamma_0 \{X^0, \psi\}_{\hat{P}} \right) \right] \\ &= \exp \left[ -\frac{1}{2\pi} \int d\sigma^1 d\sigma^2 \left( \frac{-ie^{i\theta}}{4} (\{X^i, X^j\}_{\hat{P}}^{(E)})^2 + \frac{ie^{-i\theta}}{2} (\{X^{10}, X^i\}_{\hat{P}}^{(E)})^2 \right. \right. \\ &\quad \left. \left. - 2e^{2i\theta} \psi^{(E)T} \Gamma_i \{X^i, \psi^{(E)}\}_{\hat{P}}^{(E)} - 2ie^{i\theta} \psi^{(E)T} \Gamma_{10} \{X^{10}, \psi^{(E)}\}_{\hat{P}}^{(E)} + \frac{ie^{-i\theta}}{2} \right) \right] \\ &\xrightarrow{\theta \rightarrow \frac{\pi}{2}} \exp \left[ -\frac{1}{2\pi} \int d\sigma^1 d\sigma^2 \left( \frac{1}{4} \{X^m, X^n\}_{\hat{P}}^{(E)2} + 2\psi^{(E)T} \Gamma_m \{X^m, \psi^{(E)}\}_{\hat{P}} + \frac{1}{2} \right) \right] \quad (m = 1, \dots, 9, 10) \end{aligned}$$

We've derived the **Euclidean path integral** by a change of contour.

# “Derivation” of the IKKT model

*Matrix regularisation* [Hoppe '82]

Regularisation by a map from a function to a matrix

$$f(\sigma) = \sum_{l=0}^{\infty} \sum_{m=-l}^l f_{lm} \underline{Y_{lm}(\sigma)} \longrightarrow \sum_{l=0}^{N-1} \sum_{m=-l}^l f_{lm} (Y_{lm})_{ij} = f_{ij}$$

spherical harmonics matrix

This maps the Poisson bracket and worldsheet integral to

$$\{ \cdot, \cdot \}_{\hat{P}}^{(E)} \rightarrow \frac{2N}{i} [ \cdot, \cdot ], \quad \frac{1}{\pi} \int d\sigma^1 d\sigma^2 \rightarrow \frac{1}{N} \text{tr},$$

Then the action becomes, with rescaling of  $X^m$  and  $\psi^{(E)}$ ,

$$\exp[-S^{(E)}] = \exp \left[ -N \text{tr} \left( -\frac{1}{4} [X^m, X^n]^2 - \frac{i}{2} \psi^{(E)T} \Gamma_m [X^m, \psi^{(E)}] + \frac{1}{4N} \right) \right]$$

We have “derived” the **Euclidean weight w/ the Euclidean IKKT action** from the perturbative superstring theory.

# “Derivation” of the IKKT model

## *Wick-rotating back the theory*

Actually, the Euclidean IKKT model w/  $e^{-S}$  is equivalent to a Lorentzian IKKT model w/  $e^{iS}$  with natural regulators introduced

By a change of contour  $X^i = e^{i\theta/4} \tilde{X}^i$ ,  $X^{10} = -e^{-3i\theta/4} \tilde{X}^0$ ,  $\psi^{(E)} = e^{3i\theta/8} \psi$

$$\begin{aligned} & \exp \left[ -N \operatorname{tr} \left( -\frac{1}{4} [X^m, X^n]^2 - \frac{i}{2} \psi^{(E)T} \Gamma_m [X^m, \psi^{(E)}] \right) \right] \\ &= \exp \left[ N \operatorname{tr} \left( \frac{e^{-i\theta}}{2} [\tilde{X}^0, \tilde{X}^i]^2 + \frac{e^{i\theta}}{4} [\tilde{X}^i, \tilde{X}^j]^2 - \frac{1}{2} \psi^T \Gamma_0 [\tilde{X}^0, \psi] + \frac{ie^{i\theta}}{2} \psi^T \Gamma_i [\tilde{X}^i, \psi] \right) \right] \\ &\xrightarrow{\theta \rightarrow \frac{\pi}{2}} \exp \left[ iN \operatorname{tr} \left( \frac{1}{4} [\tilde{X}_\mu, \tilde{X}_\nu] [\tilde{X}^\mu, \tilde{X}^\nu] + \frac{i}{2} \psi^T \Gamma_\mu [\tilde{X}^\mu, \psi] + i\varepsilon ((X^i)^2 + (X^0)^2) \right) \right]_{\varepsilon \rightarrow 0} \end{aligned}$$

So, we get

$$Z = \int [dX][d\psi^{(E)}] e^{-S[X, \psi^{(E)}; \delta_{\mu\nu}]} \propto \int [d\tilde{X}][d\psi] e^{iS[\tilde{X}, \psi; \eta_{\mu\nu}]}$$

This is a **well-defined finite integral** for finite  $N$ .

[Krauth, Nicolai, Staudacher '98; Austing, Wheeler '01]

# “Derivation” of the IKKT model

## *Caveat about the Lorentzian IKKT model*

However there is another definition of the Lorentzian IKKT model w/  $e^{iS}$ :

$$Z_\gamma = \int [d\tilde{X}][d\psi] \exp \left[ iN \operatorname{tr} \left( \frac{1}{4} [\tilde{X}^\mu, \tilde{X}^\nu]^2 + \frac{\gamma}{2} (e^{-i\varepsilon} \tilde{X}^i \tilde{X}^i - e^{i\varepsilon} \tilde{X}^0 \tilde{X}^0) + \frac{i}{2} \psi^T \Gamma^\mu [\tilde{X}_\mu, \psi] \right) \right]$$

$\varepsilon \rightarrow 0^+$  for  $\gamma > 0$ ,  $\varepsilon \rightarrow 0^-$  for  $\gamma < 0$

$$\rightarrow \int [dX][d\psi^{(E)}] \exp \left[ -N \operatorname{tr} \left( -\frac{1}{4} [X^m, X^n]^2 - \frac{e^{\frac{\pi i}{4}} \gamma}{2} (e^{-i\varepsilon} X^i X^i + e^{i\varepsilon} X^{10} X^{10}) - \frac{i}{2} \psi^{(E)T} \Gamma_m [X^m, \psi^{(E)}] \right) \right]$$

The model w/  $\gamma \rightarrow 0^-$  is equivalent to the Euclidean model w/  $e^{-S}$  because Cauchy's thm. connects them via the change of contour.

But not for  $\gamma > 0$ ; thus **the IKKT model w/  $\gamma \rightarrow 0^+$  is different!**

[Y.A., Nishimura, Piensuk, Yamamori;

Y.A., Chou, Nishimura, Piensuk, Tripathi, Yamamori, to appear]

This difference would be interpreted as “different definitions of the vacuum.”

# Vertex operators

The BRST transformation on the worldsheet is

$$\delta^{\text{BRST}} X^\mu = -2i\epsilon\gamma^T\Gamma^\mu\psi + \epsilon'\{c, X^\mu\}_{\hat{p}}, \quad \delta^{\text{BRST}}\psi = \epsilon'\{c, \psi\}_{\hat{p}}, \quad \delta^{\text{BRST}}\varphi = \epsilon\gamma + \epsilon'\{c, \varphi\}_{\hat{p}},$$

A BRST inv. vertex:  $\int d^2\sigma e^{ik_\mu(X^\mu+2i\varphi^T\Gamma^\mu\psi)} \rightarrow \int d^2\sigma e^{ik_\mu X^\mu}$  (momentum- $k_\mu$  mode)

➔ In the matrix model,  $V^\Phi = \text{tr} e^{ik_\mu X^\mu}$

This forms **a massless multiplet of type IIB SUGRA** by acting the supercharge operator  $Q$  onto this vertex.

$$\begin{aligned} e^{\lambda^T Q} \text{tr} e^{ik_\mu X^\mu} e^{-\lambda^T Q} &= \text{tr} e^{ik_\mu X^\mu + \psi^T k_\mu \Gamma^\mu \lambda + \dots} \\ &= V^\Phi + V^{\tilde{\Phi}} k_\mu \Gamma^\mu \lambda + V_{\mu\nu}^B k_\rho \lambda^T \Gamma^{\mu\nu\rho} \lambda + \dots \end{aligned}$$

$\lambda^0$	$\lambda^1$	$\lambda^2$	$\lambda^3$	$\lambda^4$	...
dilaton $\Phi$	dilatino $\tilde{\Phi}$	$B_{\mu\nu}$	gravitino $\Psi$	graviton $h_{\mu\nu}$ & $A_{\mu\nu\rho\sigma}$	...

# Summary

- We find there is **a set of gauge trf. that closes its algebra** for the string action in the Green-Schwarz formalism by rewriting the action to the Schild type. It allows us to quantise the theory without an infinite tower of ghosts.
- If we assume the IKKT matrix model is derived as a pure matrix regularisation of the Schild-type action, it is **the Euclidean action w/  $e^{-S}$** .
- There is a Lorentzian IKKT model w/  $e^{iS}$  equiv. to the Euclidean one w/  $e^{-S}$ . However, since the Lorentzian IKKT partition fn. is conditionally convergent, **there is another Lorentzian IKKT model inequivalent to the Euclidean one.** Probably they share the same structure of the  $1/N$  expansion, but the “derivation” cannot tell the correct “definition of the vacuum.”
- A BRST-inv. massless-mode vertex is consistent with the suggested matrix-model vertex operator  $\text{tr } e^{ik_\mu X^\mu}$  of a string (or D1), which forms a massless multiplet of type IIB SUGRA by acting the supercharge operator. Further analysis should clarify how to construct massive states in the IKKT.