

BV-QUANTIZATION

I'm going to start using \mathcal{E}, \mathcal{L} for fields and \mathcal{E}, \mathcal{L} for Lie algebras. Thus $\mathcal{E} = \mathcal{E}[1]$, etc..

1. RENORMALIZATION

1.1. Generalities on renormalization. existence of counterterms, effective theories, gauge fixing, $\beta\gamma$ examples etc.

1.2. Effective propagator. There is a natural choice for the gauge fixing operator for our theory. Namely,

$$Q_{GF} := \bar{\partial}^* : \mathcal{E} \rightarrow \mathcal{E}$$

defined using the flat metrix on \mathbb{C} coming from the holomorphic volume element dz .

Lemma 1. *Let Q be the total differential for fields \mathcal{E} . Then*

$$D = [\bar{\partial}^*, Q] : \mathcal{E} \rightarrow \mathcal{E}$$

is the usual Laplacian acting on the appropriate Dolbeault complex.

The heat kernel is the element $\mathbb{K}_t \in \text{Sym}^2(\mathcal{E})$ defined for $t > 0$ determined by the equation

$$\langle \mathbb{K}_t(z, w), \varphi(w) \rangle = (e^{-tD} \varphi)(z)$$

for all $\varphi \in \mathcal{E}$.

For us, the fields split as $\mathcal{E} = \mathcal{E}_{\beta\gamma} \oplus \mathcal{E}_{\text{grav}}$.

Lemma 2. *The heat kernel is of the form*

$$\mathbb{K}_t = \mathbb{K}_t^{\beta\gamma} \oplus \mathbb{K}_t^{\text{grav}} \in \text{Sym}^2(\mathcal{E}_{\beta\gamma}) \oplus \text{Sym}^2(\mathcal{E}_{\text{grav}})$$

where write down kernels

1.3. Pre-theory. naive quantization works, i.e. no counterterms. Reduction to wheels, reduction to trivalent wheels.

2. THE QUANTUM MASTER EQUATION

2.1. Obstruction theory. introduce deformation complex for bosonic string. By definition, holomorphic string is described by the local curved L_∞ -algebra

$$\mathbb{D}_S(\mathcal{L} \ltimes \mathcal{E}) = .$$

Thus, the full obstruction-deformation complex is

$$\text{Def}_X := C_{\text{loc}}^*(\mathbb{D}_S(\mathcal{L} \ltimes \mathcal{E})).$$

2.2. Symmetries. symmetries to consider for the deformation complex. Cotangent quantization. $\text{Aff}(\mathbb{C})$ -symmetry.