

Homework 2: Due at class on Sep 30

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- Derive (3.13) from (3.11) in the lecture note.
- Write l_0, \bar{l}_0 in terms of polar coordinate as in (2.34).

2 Möbius transformation

Let us consider the Riemann sphere $S^2 = \mathbb{C} \cup \{\infty\}$. The action of $\mathrm{SL}(2, \mathbb{C})$ defined by

$$z \mapsto w = \frac{az + b}{cz + d}, \quad \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix} \in \mathrm{SL}(2, \mathbb{C}),$$

maps the Riemann sphere onto itself. These transformations are called fractional linear transformations.

- Given three points z_1, z_2, z_3 , find a fractional linear transformation which maps the points to $0, 1, \infty$.
- Given four points z_1, z_2, z_3, z_4 , their **cross ratio** is defined by

$$[z_1, z_2, z_3, z_4] = \frac{(z_1 - z_3)(z_2 - z_4)}{(z_2 - z_3)(z_1 - z_4)}.$$

Show that the cross ratio is preserved by any fractional linear transformation

$$[z_1, z_2, z_3, z_4] = [w_1, w_2, w_3, w_4].$$

3 Energy-momentum tensor

Let us consider the free boson on a d -dimensional flat space

$$S = \frac{1}{2} \int d^d x \partial_\mu \varphi \partial^\mu \varphi.$$

Derive the energy-momentum tensor by using the definition

$$T^{\mu\nu} = -\eta^{\mu\nu} \mathcal{L} + \frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial(\partial_\mu \varphi)} \partial^\nu \varphi.$$

Furthermore, let us consider the action of the free boson on a curved space-time where g is the metric on M

$$S = \frac{1}{2} \int_M d^d x \sqrt{g} g^{\mu\nu} \partial_\mu \varphi \partial_\nu \varphi.$$

Find the explicit form of the following tensor

$$\tilde{T}^{\mu\nu} = -\frac{2}{\sqrt{g}} \frac{\delta S}{\delta g_{\mu\nu}}.$$

4 Three-point function for primary fields

Derive the form of the three-point function for quasi-primary fields

$$\langle \phi_1(z_1) \phi_2(z_2) \phi_3(z_3) \rangle = \frac{C_{123}}{z_{12}^{h_1+h_2-h_3} z_{23}^{h_2+h_3-h_1} z_{13}^{h_3+h_1-h_2}}.$$