

# Superstring Theory

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see ICTP lecture notes

## BRST

Review of QFT Hamilt. formalism:

$$\rightarrow \text{point particle: } S = \int d\tau (P_m \dot{X}^m + e(P_m P^m - \eta^2))$$

$$\rightsquigarrow \eta = 0 : S = \int d\tau (P_m \dot{X}^m + \frac{1}{2}e P_m P^m)$$

then  $\delta X^m = \epsilon P^m$  from  $[P^m P_m, X_n] = i P_n$  then we  
have to consider  $\delta e = -\dot{\epsilon}(\tau)$

$$\hookrightarrow \delta(\dot{\epsilon} P) P = \dot{\epsilon} P^2 + \partial(\dots)$$

Choose now a gauge fix:  $e = 1 \rightarrow \text{FP GHOSTS!}$   $\int d\tau b \dot{c}$   
 $(b, c)$

$$\Rightarrow S = \int d\tau (P_m \dot{X}^m + \frac{1}{2} P^2 + b \dot{c}) \stackrel{\text{e.o.m.}}{=} \int d\tau (-\frac{1}{2} \dot{X}^m \dot{X}_m + b \dot{c})$$

s.t.  $\exists Q = c \underbrace{P^m P_m}_{P_m P^m - \eta^2}$  BRST ops  $\Rightarrow$  physical states are in  $Q$  cohom.

in general

$b$  is the conj mom. of  $c$   
 $[P^m, P^n]_{[i]\eta^{mn}} \{b, c\} = i$

$\rightsquigarrow$  no  $p$  or  $b$  because we could go to one or another through canonical comm.

$\Rightarrow$  choose  $V = f(x, c)$  a state:

$$\Rightarrow V = \varphi(x) + c \varphi^*(x) \Rightarrow \text{phys if } QV = 0 \quad \delta V = Q\Omega$$

$$\rightarrow c \square \varphi = 0 \quad \delta \varphi^* = \square \omega \quad \rightarrow \square \varphi = 0, \quad \varphi^* \neq \square \omega$$

$$\square \Omega = \omega + c \omega^*$$

if  $\square\omega = 0$  then  $\varphi^*$  cannot be gauged away  
 $\rightarrow$  if  $\omega \neq 0$  ] eigenvalues eqn.  
but  $\varphi^* \neq \square\omega \Rightarrow \square\varphi^* = 0$  (cohomology)

$\rightarrow \varphi(x)$ : field  
 $\varphi^*(x)$ : antifield }  $\neq$  ghost no.

$\rightsquigarrow$  STRINGS:  $\int d\tau d\sigma \sqrt{(\dot{x})^2 (\dot{x})^2 - (\dot{x}x')^2}$

Homework \*  $P_m = \frac{\delta S}{\delta \dot{x}}$  and show that it satisfies the Virasoro constraint

$$\Rightarrow S = \int d\tau d\sigma \left( P_m \dot{X}^m + e \left( P_m + \frac{\partial X_m}{\partial \sigma} \right) \left( P^m + \frac{\partial X^m}{\partial \sigma} \right) + \bar{e} \left( P_m - \frac{\partial X_m}{\partial \sigma} \right) \left( P^m - \frac{\partial X^m}{\partial \sigma} \right) \right)$$

CONFORMAL GAUGE

$\Rightarrow$  Gauge fix  $e = \bar{e} = 1$  (conf on worldsheet, loc. on spacetime)

$$\left[ \frac{1}{2} \frac{\partial}{\partial t} (P + X')^2 \delta_1, X^m \right] \Rightarrow \delta_1 X^m = \epsilon (P + X')^m$$

"Gauge transf"

$$\left[ \frac{1}{2} \frac{\partial}{\partial t} (P - X')^2 \delta_1, X^m \right] \Rightarrow \delta_2 X^m = \bar{\epsilon} (P - X')^m$$

Similarly:

$$\delta_1 P^m = \frac{\partial}{\partial \sigma} (\epsilon (P + X')^m)$$

The transfs cancel in  
 $P_m - X'_m$  (e.g.)

and

$$\delta e = \dot{\epsilon} + \epsilon' + e \partial_\sigma \epsilon + \partial_\sigma (e \epsilon) \rightsquigarrow \text{in order to}$$

cancel the terms in

NB: there are  $\infty$  constraints because they

$$P_m + X'_m$$

$$\text{depend on } \sigma !!! \quad \left[ (P + X')^2 \delta_1, (P + X')^2 \delta_1 \right] = \delta(\sigma - \sigma') \partial_\sigma (P + X')^2 + \frac{1}{2} \partial_\sigma \delta(\sigma - \sigma') (P + X')^2$$

$\Rightarrow$  This is just  $[L_m, L_n] = S_{m+n}(\dots)$

$$\rightsquigarrow Q = \text{GHOST} \times \text{CONSTRAINTS} = \int d\sigma \left[ c (P + X')^2 + \bar{c} (P - X')^2 + bcc' - \bar{b}\bar{c}\bar{c}' \right]$$

$$\Rightarrow Q^2 = \int d\sigma d\sigma' c(\sigma) (P + X')^2(\sigma) c(\sigma') (P + X')(\sigma') + \dots = \text{in order for } Q^2 = 0$$

$$= \int d\sigma d\sigma' \cancel{c(\sigma)} \partial_\sigma c (P + X')^2(\sigma)$$

(they account for the whole  $S_e$ )

need to cancel  $\Rightarrow$  need  $bcc'$  and  $\bar{b}\bar{c}\bar{c}'$

$$\text{GENERIC: } Q = \sum_j (g_j G_j + b^k g_{kj} f_k^{jl}) \text{ where } [G_j, G_l] = \int^k j l G_k$$

The action in the gauge is:

$$\begin{aligned} S &= \int d\tau d\sigma (P\dot{x} + \frac{1}{2}(P+x')^2 + \frac{1}{2}(P-x')^2) = \\ &= \int d\tau d\sigma (P\dot{x} + P^2 + (x')^2) = \int d\tau d\sigma (-(\dot{x})^2 + (x')^2) = \\ &= - \int d\tau d\sigma \bar{\partial}X \cdot \bar{\partial}X \quad \bar{\partial} = \partial_t + \partial_\sigma, \quad \bar{\partial} = \partial_t - \partial_\sigma \end{aligned}$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{WITH GHOSTS: } S = - \int d\tau d\sigma (\bar{\partial}X \cdot \bar{\partial}X + b\bar{\partial}c + \bar{b}\bar{\partial}\bar{c})$$

$$Q = \int d\sigma [c(\bar{\partial}X)^2 + bc\bar{\partial}c + \bar{c}(\bar{\partial}X)^2 + \bar{b}\bar{c}\bar{\partial}\bar{c}]$$

Another gauge choice would be to use  $\epsilon$  and  $\bar{\epsilon}$  to gauge some of the  $X$  and  $P \rightarrow \partial_\sigma X^+ = 0, \partial_\sigma P^+ = 0, \int d\sigma \epsilon = \int d\bar{\sigma} \bar{\epsilon} = 1$ .

↪ LC gauge: no propagating ghosts

$$\int d\tau d\sigma \epsilon (P+x')^2 \quad \frac{\delta L}{\delta \epsilon} = 0 \Rightarrow \partial_\sigma (P+x')^2 = 0$$

$$\frac{\delta L}{\delta \bar{\epsilon}} = 0 \Rightarrow \partial_\sigma (P-x')^2 = 0$$

$$\frac{\partial \epsilon}{\partial \sigma} = 0 \quad \text{but} \quad \frac{\delta L}{\delta P'} \Rightarrow \frac{\partial \epsilon}{\partial \sigma} = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow Q_{LC} = \bar{c} \int d\sigma (P+x')^2 + \bar{c} \int d\sigma (P-x')^2$$

$$\text{Then: } S = \int d\tau d\sigma \left( \hat{P}^- \hat{x}^+ + \hat{P}^+ \hat{x}^- + (P+x')^j (P+x')^j + (P-x')^j (P-x')^j + \hat{P}^- \hat{P}^+ + P(\sigma) \dot{x}(\sigma) \right)$$

the first part is  $\sigma$  indep. thanks to LC gauge

$$\rightarrow S = \int d\tau d\sigma (\hat{x}^- \hat{x}^+ + \bar{\partial}X^j \bar{\partial}X^j + \hat{b}\hat{c} + \bar{b}\bar{c}) \rightarrow \text{non covariant conformal inv.}$$

↔ COHOMOLOGY:  $V = \varphi(x^j(\sigma), \hat{x}^+, \hat{x}^-, \hat{c})$  (choose Open str  $\Rightarrow \hat{c} = \bar{c}$ )

$$V = \varphi(x^j, \hat{x}^+, \hat{x}^-) + \hat{c} \varphi^*(\dots)$$

$$\hookrightarrow QV = 0 \Rightarrow \left[ \int d\sigma (P+x')^2, \varphi \right] = 0 \Rightarrow \int d\sigma (P+x')^2 = P_0^2 + (P_i + X'_i)(P_{-i} + X'_{-i})$$

$$\delta\varphi^* = \left[ \int d\sigma (P + X')^2, \Omega \right] \rightarrow \text{gauge away } \varphi^* \text{ unless } P_0^2 = \dots$$

- Conformal invariance: (open)

$$Q = \int d\sigma (c \partial X \bar{\partial} X + b c \partial c) \quad \xrightarrow{\text{conformal weights!}}$$

$$V = \varphi (x^m, c_{-1}, c_0, c_1, \dots; b_2, b_3, \dots)$$

$$\rightarrow \int dz d\bar{z} (\partial X \bar{\partial} X + b \bar{\partial} c + \bar{b} \partial \bar{c})$$

$$\Rightarrow c(z) : (h, \bar{h}) = (-1, 0) \quad \xrightarrow{\text{prove with def of conf transf}} \\ b(z) : (h, \bar{h}) = (2, 0)$$

VERTEX OPS:

$$V = \varphi_0(x) + c \varphi_1(x) + c \partial c \varphi_2(x) + c \partial c \bar{\partial} c \varphi_3(x)$$

$$\text{Cohomology condition: } \varphi_0(x) = \varphi_3(x) = 1, \quad \varphi_1 = \varphi, \quad \varphi_2 = \varphi^*$$

↳ Tachyon:  $T(x)$

Gluon:  $A_u(x)$

Higher Spin:  $B_{uvw\dots}(x)$

$$\rightarrow \varphi(x) = T(x) + A_u(\partial^u X + B_{uv}(x) \partial X^u \partial X^v + B_p \partial^p X^p + \dots)$$

phys states have ghost no. 1  
≠ part.

$$\delta V = Q \Omega$$

$$\delta A_u = \partial_u \Lambda \Leftarrow \Omega = \Lambda + \dots \rightarrow Q \Omega = [c \partial X \bar{\partial} X, \Lambda] = c \partial X^u \frac{\partial \Lambda}{\partial X^u} =$$

$$\text{At ghost no. 0} \Rightarrow Q V = 0 \Rightarrow [c \partial X^u \bar{\partial} X_u, \varphi_0] = 0 \rightarrow \partial_u \varphi_0 = 0 \quad \boxed{\varphi_0 = \text{const}}$$

## General BRST quant. (review)

Consider 1st class constraints:

$$S = \int d\tau [P_m \dot{X}^m + e G^J(X, P)] \quad [P_m, X^n] = -i S_m^n$$

with gauge transf:  $\delta X^m = [\epsilon_J G^J, X^m]$   
 $\delta P_m = [\epsilon_J G^J, P_m]$  and  $[G^I, G^J] = f_{JK}^{IJ} G^K$ , Lie alg.

in order to have invariance:  $\delta e_J = -i \dot{\epsilon}_J - \epsilon_K f_J^{KL} \epsilon_L$

\* Gauge symmetry fixing:

$$e_J = h_J = \text{const.} \rightarrow \int d\tau [P_m \dot{X}^m - h_J G^J + b^J (-i \dot{c}_J - c_K f_J^{KL} h_L)]$$

→ gauge (local): broken

global → BRST charge is intact:

$$Q = c_J G^J + f_L^{JK} c_J c_K b^L \rightarrow \text{Noether charge}$$

Specifically:

PARTICLE:  $S = \int d\tau [P_m \dot{X}^m + e P^2] \xrightarrow{\text{gauge } e=\frac{1}{2}} S = \int d\tau [\dot{X}^2 + b \dot{c}]$

$$Q = c P^2$$

$$V(X, c) = \varphi_0(X) + c \varphi_1(X)$$

$$|\text{phys}\rangle \in \text{Cohom}(Q) \Rightarrow QV(X, c) = 0 \Rightarrow \square \varphi_0 = 0$$

$$SV = Q \Omega \Rightarrow \delta \varphi_1 = \square \omega \xrightarrow{\text{we can gauge away unless}} \square \varphi_1 = 0$$

$$|\text{phys}\rangle \in \frac{\text{"e.o.m."}}{\text{gauge}} = \frac{\ker Q}{\text{Im } Q}$$

$$\begin{aligned} & \leftarrow (-2\star \omega \star + C\omega \star) \\ & \rightarrow \varphi_0, \varphi_1 \in \frac{\ker Q}{\text{Im } Q} \quad \square \varphi_0 = \square \varphi_1 = 0 \end{aligned}$$

STRING:  $S = \int d\tau [P_m \dot{X}_m + e (\rho + X')^2 + \bar{e} (\rho - X')^2]$

conf. gauge  $\rightarrow e = \bar{e} = 1 \rightarrow S = \int d\tau [\partial X^m \partial X_m + b \bar{\partial} c + \bar{b} \partial \bar{c}]$

$$Q = \int d\sigma [c (\rho + X')^2 + \bar{c} (\rho - X')^2 + bc \partial c + \bar{b} \bar{c} \partial \bar{c}]$$

LC gauge fixing:

$$\int d\sigma e(\sigma) = \int d\sigma \bar{e}(\sigma) = 1, \quad \frac{\partial X^+}{\partial \sigma} = \frac{\partial P^+}{\partial \sigma} = 0 \quad \left[ E(\sigma) = E_0 + \sum_{n \neq 0} \frac{E_n e^{in\sigma}}{T} \right]$$

$\Rightarrow X^+ = \hat{X}^+$   
 $P^+ = \hat{P}^+$  → 0-mode only

$$\Rightarrow S = \int d\tau d\sigma \left[ P_j \dot{X}_j + e^\perp (P + X') + \bar{e}^\perp (P - X')^2 \right] + \int d\tau \left[ \hat{P}^+ \hat{X}^- + \hat{P}^- \hat{X}^+ + \hat{b} \hat{c} + \hat{\bar{b}} \hat{\bar{c}} \right]$$

$$Q = \hat{c} \int d\sigma (P + X')^2 + \hat{\bar{c}} \int d\sigma (P - X')^2$$

NB: the c.o.m. for  $e$ :  $\frac{\delta \mathcal{L}}{\delta e} = 0 \Rightarrow$   
 $\Rightarrow \int d\sigma [(P + X')^2] = 0 \Rightarrow$  only 0 modes survive ]

\* COHOMOLOGY: for open str.  $\hat{c} = \hat{\bar{c}}$

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial \sigma} ((P + X') \hat{P}^+ + (P^+ + X' \cdot \hat{X})) = 0$$

etc.  $\Leftrightarrow \frac{\partial}{\partial \sigma} P^- = \dots$  L, not indep

$$\Rightarrow V(\hat{c}, X_j(\sigma), \hat{X}^+, \hat{X}^-) = \varphi_0(X_j, \hat{X}^+, \hat{X}^-) + \hat{c} \varphi_1(X_j, \hat{X}^+, \hat{X}^-) \quad \text{but } V = (\dots)$$

expand  $X_j = \hat{X}_j + \sum_{N \neq 0} a_N^j e^{in\sigma} \quad a_N^j |0\rangle = 0, \quad N < 0$

states:  $V = e^{ik \cdot \hat{X}} \prod_N (a_N^j)^{m_{N,j}} |0\rangle$   
 over all  $\vec{x}$   
 only trans.

then  $Q = \hat{c} \int d\sigma \left[ (P + X')_0^2 + \sum_{N \neq 0} (P + X')_N (P + X')_{-N} \right]$

then  $QV = 0 \Rightarrow k^2 + \sum_{N,j} N m_{N,j} (+1=0 \text{ e.o.m.}) \rightarrow \text{NORMAL ORD.}$   
 $e^{ik \cdot \hat{X}} |0\rangle \rightarrow T(x) \quad k^2 = -1$

$$e^{ik \cdot \hat{X}} a_{-1}^j(x) |0\rangle \rightarrow A_j \partial X^j(x) e^{ik \cdot \hat{X}} \quad k^2 = 0$$

thus in LC the gauge form  $A_j$  has 24 comp. → NON LORENTZ COVARIANT

$$\rho = \tau + i\omega = \ln z$$

Go back to conformal gauge:

$$e = \bar{e} = 1$$

$$X^m = \hat{X}^m + \sum_{n \neq 0} a_n^m z^n$$

$$V(c, X^m, b) \rightarrow V(c, a_n^m, b)$$

What about  $c, b$ ?

with this sign  
creat. opn. have

$$N > 0$$

$$c(z) = c_{-1} + c_0 z + c_1 z^2 + \dots \Rightarrow \text{conf weight} = -1 \rightarrow \text{diff exp.}$$

$$b(z) = b_2 + b_3 z + \dots \Rightarrow \text{conf w.} = 2$$

$$\Rightarrow k^2 + \sum_{N,m} NM_{n,m} + \sum N M'_c + \sum N M''_b = 0$$

$\hookrightarrow$  GHOSTS!

Now in general

$$V(b_2, b_3, \dots; c_{-1}, c_0, c_1, \dots; a_1^n, a_2^n, \dots; \hat{X}^m) =$$

$$\rightarrow k^2 = -1 \Rightarrow c_{-1} e^{ik \cdot \hat{X}} |0\rangle$$

MIND THE  $\leftrightarrow$   
GHOST NUMBER!

$$k^2 = 0 \Rightarrow e^{ik \cdot \hat{X}} |0\rangle, c_{-1} a_1^m e^{ik \cdot \hat{X}} |0\rangle, c_0 e^{ik \cdot \hat{X}} |0\rangle,$$

$$c_{-1} c_1 e^{ik \cdot \hat{X}} |0\rangle, c_0 c_{-1} a_1^m e^{ik \cdot \hat{X}} |0\rangle, c_{-1} c_0 c_1 e^{ik \cdot \hat{X}} |0\rangle$$

$$k^2 = 1 \Rightarrow b_2 c_{-1} e^{ik \cdot \hat{X}} |0\rangle, \dots$$

$$NB: Q = \int d\sigma [c(P+X')^2 + b c \partial c] = c_0 (P+X')_0^2 + c_{-1} (P+X')_1^2 + \dots$$

and compute the cohomology: fixes  $k$  of each state

$$e^{ik \cdot \hat{X}} |0\rangle \rightarrow k=0 \Rightarrow \wedge \text{ (const)} \rightarrow A_m(x) = u_m^{(k)} e^{ik \cdot \hat{X}}$$

$$c_{-1} a_1^m e^{ik \cdot \hat{X}} |0\rangle \rightarrow c \partial X^m (A_m(x)) \text{ (vector)} \quad \leftarrow \text{all at } z=0$$

$$c_0 e^{ik \cdot \hat{X}} |0\rangle \rightarrow \partial c B(x) \text{ (scal)}$$

$$c_{-1} c_1 e^{ik \cdot \hat{X}} |0\rangle \rightarrow c \partial^2 c D(x) \text{ (scal)}$$

$$c_0 c_{-1} a_1^m e^{ik \cdot \hat{X}} |0\rangle \rightarrow c \partial c \partial X^m E_m(x) \text{ (vect)}$$

$$c_0 c_0 c_1 e^{ik \cdot \hat{X}} |0\rangle \rightarrow c \partial c \partial^2 c F(x) \text{ (scal)}$$

$$\Rightarrow QV=0 \rightarrow \partial^m A_m = B \quad \delta V = Q\Omega \rightarrow \delta A_m = \partial_m A$$

$$\text{Homework} \rightarrow \square A_m = \partial_m B$$

$$\delta B = \square A \Rightarrow \partial^m (\partial_m A_m) = 0$$

The cohomology leads to

$$\Lambda \quad c\partial X^m A_m \quad \not\in B(x) \quad \underbrace{c\partial^2 c D(x)}_{B^*(x)} \quad \underbrace{c\partial c \partial X^n E_n}_{A_m^*(x)} \quad \underbrace{c\partial c \partial^2 c F(x)}_{\Lambda^*}$$

(opposite statistic)

Usually we do not consider anti-fields but only ghost number 0 and 1.

# SPINNING PARTICLE

$$S = \int dt [ P_m \dot{X}^m + i \psi_m \dot{\psi}^m + e P^2 + \chi P^m \psi_m ]$$

$\stackrel{\text{def}}{=} G$

Spinning particle:

$$[P_m, X^n] = -i \delta_m^n \quad \{G, G\} = P^m P_m$$

$$\{\psi_m, \psi_n\} = \eta_{mn}$$

$$\delta X^m = \{G, X^m\} = \{G, \psi^n\}$$

$$\delta P_m = 0$$

$$\delta \psi^m = \{G, \psi^m\} = \{P^m\}$$

$$\delta e = \{G, e\}$$

$$\delta \chi = \{G, \chi\}$$

$\rightarrow$  GAUGE FIX:  $e = 1, \chi = 0$  a gauge choice is fine when we can find a prop for ghosts

$$S = \int dt [ (\dot{X})^2 + i \psi \dot{\psi} + b \dot{c} + \beta \dot{j} ]$$

we can combine  $X^m(z, k) = X^m + k \psi^m \quad \leftarrow$

$$X^m(z, k) = X^m + k \psi^m \Rightarrow S = \int dk ( \partial_X X^m + \partial_k \psi^m ) ( \partial_X \dot{X}^m + \partial_k \dot{\psi}^m ) + \bar{b} \dot{c} + \bar{\beta} \dot{j}$$

anticomm. comm

$$Q = c P^2 + \gamma (P^m \psi_m) + \gamma^2 b \quad \rightarrow \frac{\partial}{\partial c}$$

Spectrum?

$$V(c, \gamma, X, \psi)$$

half of the  $\psi$  are coord and half are momenta:

we cannot choose them without break. Lorentz!  
 $\Downarrow$

$$\{\psi_m, \psi_n\} \rightarrow \left\{ \frac{1}{12} \gamma_m, \frac{1}{12} \gamma_n \right\} = \eta_{mn}$$

Therefore

$$V(c, \gamma, X, \psi) \rightarrow V^\alpha(c, \gamma, X) \quad \text{where } \psi^m V^\alpha = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (\Gamma^m)^{\alpha\beta} V_\beta \quad \alpha = 1, \dots, 32$$

covariantly.

$\psi$  acts as a spinorial rep.

Otherwise we can break  $SO(10)$ :

$$\begin{array}{ll}
 \psi^1 + i\psi^2 & \psi^1 - i\psi^2 \\
 \psi^3 + i\psi^4 & \psi^3 - i\psi^4 \\
 \vdots & \vdots
 \end{array}$$

$$|0\rangle^{----} \quad (4' + i\psi^2) |0\rangle^{----} = |0\rangle^{+---}$$

$\Rightarrow$  in general:  $|0\rangle^{\pm\pm\pm\pm\pm} \Rightarrow 32$  different ground states

Then  $V^\alpha = \varphi_0^\alpha(x) + c\varphi_1^\alpha(x) + \gamma \tilde{\varphi}_1^\alpha(x) + c\gamma \varphi_2(x) + (\infty \text{ no. of } \gamma_s)$

$\downarrow$

$\sin \frac{1}{2}$

$\varphi_0 = 0$

$\varphi_1 = 0$

$\varphi_2 = 0$

These are just copies of  $\varphi_0^\alpha$

→ difficult because it doesn't show directly spacetime SUSY.

Now compute the cohomology: we're not cons ↪ the Weyl decoupl.  $(\Gamma^m)^{\alpha\beta} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & (\gamma^m)^{\alpha\beta} \\ (\gamma^m)^{\beta\alpha} & 0 \end{pmatrix}$

$$V^d(x, y, c) = \varphi_0^\alpha + c \varphi_1^\alpha + y \tilde{\varphi}_1^\alpha + cy \varphi_2^\alpha + y^2 \tilde{\varphi}_2^\alpha + \dots \quad \alpha = 1, \dots, 32$$

$$\Rightarrow QV^\alpha = C \square q_0^\alpha + \gamma (\not{\partial} q_0)^\alpha + \gamma^2 q_1^\alpha + C\gamma (\not{\partial} q_1)^\alpha + C\gamma^2 \not{\partial} \tilde{q}_1^\alpha +$$

$$+ \gamma^2 (\not{\partial} \tilde{q}_1)^\alpha$$

↓

$$\gamma^2 b c \varphi_i^\alpha |0\rangle = \dots + \gamma^2 c \varphi_i^\alpha \cancel{b}|0\rangle$$

$$\text{then } \square q_*^\alpha = (\mathcal{J} q_*)^\alpha = 0$$

$$\varphi_1^\alpha = (\mathcal{X}\tilde{\varphi}_1)^\alpha$$

$$\varphi_3^\alpha = (\mathcal{J}\tilde{\psi}_3)^\alpha$$

Moreover  $\delta V^\alpha = Q \Omega = C \square \omega_0^\alpha + \gamma (\partial \omega_0)^\alpha + C\gamma (\partial \omega_1)^\alpha + \gamma^2 \omega_1^\alpha + C\gamma (\square \tilde{\omega}_1)^\alpha + \gamma^2 (\partial \tilde{\omega}_1)^\alpha$ .

Therefore:

$$\begin{aligned}\delta\varphi_0^\alpha &= 0 \\ \delta\varphi_1^\alpha &= \square\omega_0^\alpha \\ \delta\tilde{\varphi}_1^\alpha &= (\partial\omega_0)^\alpha\end{aligned}$$

$\Rightarrow$  e.o.m:  $(\partial\varphi_0)^\alpha = 0 \rightarrow \varphi_0$  is a spin- $\frac{1}{2}$  particle

$$\delta\tilde{\varphi}_1^\alpha = (\partial\omega_0)^\alpha \rightarrow \text{suppose } P^2\tilde{\varphi}_1 \neq 0 \Rightarrow \tilde{\varphi}_1 = \underbrace{P\left(\frac{P^2\tilde{\varphi}_1}{P^2}\right)}_{P^2\tilde{\varphi}_1 \neq 0} = \frac{P^2\tilde{\varphi}_1}{P^2}$$

we want to prove that  $\tilde{\varphi}_1$  has the same  
charr. as  $\varphi_0$  and we can gauge it away etc...

- then  $\delta\tilde{\varphi}_2^\alpha = (\partial\omega_1)^\alpha, \dots, \text{etc.}!$

## STRING

$$S = \int d\tau d\sigma \left[ P_m \dot{x}^m + \frac{1}{2} \bar{q}_m \dot{\bar{q}}^m + e \left[ (p+x')^2 + q \cdot q' \right] + x q \cdot (p+x') + + \frac{1}{2} \bar{q}_m \dot{\bar{q}}^m + \bar{e} \left[ (p-x'')^2 + \bar{q} \cdot \bar{q}' \right] + \bar{x} \bar{q} \cdot (p-x') \right]$$

\* Boundary conditions:  $\begin{aligned}q(\sigma+2\pi) &= \pm q(\sigma) \\ \bar{q}(\sigma+2\pi) &= \pm \bar{q}(\sigma)\end{aligned}$   $\begin{array}{c} R \\ NS \\ R \\ NS \end{array} \} \text{closed}$

$$\begin{aligned}q^m(0) &= \bar{q}^m(0) \\ q(\pi) &= \pm \bar{q}^m(\pi) \quad \begin{array}{c} R \\ NS \end{array} \end{aligned} \} \text{open}$$

gauge:  $e = \bar{e} = 1, x = \bar{x} = 0 \Rightarrow S = \int d\tau d\sigma (2x\bar{\partial}x + q\bar{\partial}q + \bar{q}\partial\bar{q} + F^2 + b\bar{\partial}c + \bar{b}\partial\bar{c} + \bar{\beta}\partial\bar{\gamma} + \bar{\beta}\bar{\partial}\bar{\gamma})$

$$\Rightarrow Q = \int d\sigma (c(\partial x\bar{\partial}x - q\bar{\partial}q) + \gamma(\partial x q) + \gamma^2 b + bc\partial c + c(\gamma\partial\beta + \bar{\gamma}\bar{\partial}\bar{\beta}))_{TCC}$$

Cohomology :

$$\begin{array}{l} P^2 \varphi \neq 0 \\ P' \varphi \neq 0 \end{array} \Rightarrow \varphi = P' \Omega ? \rightarrow \Omega = \frac{P \varphi}{P^2} \rightarrow \text{NO COHOMOLOGY}$$

$$\begin{array}{l} P^2 \varphi = 0 \\ (P \varphi)' = 0 \end{array} \Rightarrow \varphi = \frac{P' h \varphi}{2P \cdot h} \text{ where } h \cdot P \neq 0 \Rightarrow \varphi = \frac{\{P, h\} \varphi}{2P h} = \varphi \Rightarrow \text{NO COHOMOLOGY}$$

$$\begin{array}{l} P^2 \varphi \neq 0 \\ P' \varphi = 0 \end{array} \rightarrow \text{imposn.}$$

$$\begin{array}{l} P^2 \varphi = 0 \\ P' \varphi \neq 0 \end{array} \Rightarrow \varphi = P' \Omega ? \Rightarrow P' \varphi = P^2 \Omega = 0 \Rightarrow \text{contradicts hp} \\ \Rightarrow \text{COHOMOLOGY !}$$

These states are in the cohomology!

$$\Rightarrow x = P' \varphi$$

What's the vacuum?

$$X^m = \tilde{X}^m + a_1^m z + \dots; \quad c = c_{-1} + c_0 z + \dots$$

$$a_N^m |0\rangle = 0, \quad N < 0$$

$$c_N |0\rangle = 0, \quad N < -1$$

$$b_N |0\rangle = 0, \quad N < 2$$

$$R: \quad d_N |0\rangle = 0 \quad N < 0 \rightarrow \{d^m, d_o^n\} = 2\eta^{mn}$$

$$NS: \quad d_N |0\rangle = 0 \quad N < \frac{1}{2}$$

$$b = b_2 + b_3 z + \dots$$

$$\psi^m = \frac{d_0}{\sqrt{z}} + d_1 \sqrt{z} + \dots \rightarrow R$$

$$= d_{\frac{1}{2}} + d_{\frac{3}{2}} z + \dots \rightarrow NS$$

Plus:  $R: \quad \gamma = \gamma_{-1/2} + \gamma_0 \sqrt{z} + \dots$

NS:  $\gamma = \gamma_{\frac{1}{2}} + z \gamma_{\frac{3}{2}} + \dots$

NS  $\gamma_N |0\rangle = 0 \quad N < -\frac{1}{2}$

same for  $\beta \rightarrow \beta_N |0\rangle = 0 \quad N < \frac{3}{2}$

$\Rightarrow k^2 = -1 : \quad c_{-1} |0\rangle, (\gamma_{-1/2})^2 |0\rangle$

$k^2 = -\frac{1}{2} : \quad \gamma_{-1/2} |0\rangle, c_{-1} d_{1/2}^m |0\rangle$

NS

NS: none of the pure ghosts are in the cohomology

$k^2 = 0 : \quad |0\rangle; \quad c_{-1} a_i^m |0\rangle, \quad \gamma_{-1/2} d_{1/2}^m |0\rangle, \quad c_0 |0\rangle,$

$c_0 c_{-1} a_i^m |0\rangle, \dots, c_{-1} c_0 a_i^m |0\rangle, \quad c_0 \gamma_{-1/2} \gamma_{1/2}^l |0\rangle, \quad c_{-1} d_{1/2}^m d_{-1/2}^n |0\rangle$

→ Write the ops.

$$|0\rangle \rightarrow \mathbb{I} \rightarrow A(x)$$

$$\gamma_{-1/2} |0\rangle \rightarrow \gamma T(x)$$

$$c_{-1} a_i^m |0\rangle \rightarrow c \partial X^m A_m(x)$$

$$c_{-1} |0\rangle \rightarrow c T(x)$$

$$\gamma_{-1/2} d_{1/2}^m |0\rangle \rightarrow \gamma^2 \gamma^m A'_m(x)$$

$$c_0 c_{-1} a_i^m |0\rangle \rightarrow c \partial c \partial X^m A''_m(x)$$

And compute the cohomology:

$$Q(c T'(x)) = \gamma^2 T'(x) = 0 \Rightarrow T'(x) = 0$$

$$Q(\gamma T(x)) = c \gamma \partial T(x) + c \gamma \frac{1}{2} T(x) + \gamma^2 \gamma^m \partial_m T(x) \Big\} = 0 \quad \text{if } B_m = \partial_m T$$

$$Q(c \gamma^m B_m(x)) = \gamma^2 \gamma^m B_m + c \gamma \gamma^m \gamma^n \partial_n B_m$$

$$\text{Thus } V = \gamma T(x) + c \underbrace{4^m \partial_m T}_{\text{in cohomol}} = (\gamma + c \underbrace{4^m k_m}_{\text{in cohomol}}) T(x)$$

$$V = \int d\kappa \, C T(X)$$

in cohomol  $\Rightarrow$  the tachyon is a superpos. of two states

$\rightarrow$  Monks states:

$$V = \gamma 4^m A_m(x) + c \partial X^m A_m(x) + c 4^m 4^n \partial_m A_n(x)$$

$$= \int d\kappa \, C X^m A_m(X)$$

Now look at R sector

$$V = C_{-1} |0\rangle^\alpha \rightarrow \begin{cases} \gamma(z) V(0) \sim \sqrt{z} \\ 4(z) V(0) \sim 1/\sqrt{z} \end{cases} \} \text{ SPIN FIELDS !}$$

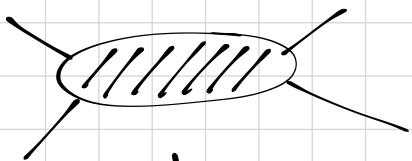
$$\rightarrow \text{bosonization: } \gamma = \sum e^\varphi, \quad 4^m = e^{\pm \sigma^m}$$

$$\Rightarrow V = e^{\varphi/2} e^{\pm \frac{1}{2} \sigma_m}$$

RNS -  
Spinning  
String

GSO  $\downarrow$   
Superstring

How to decouple unphysical states?



$\rightarrow$  SUM OVER (all) SPIN STRUCT.

# SPACETIME SUSY

$$D = 10 \implies m = 0, \dots, 9 \quad X^m$$

$$\text{Weyl Spinor} \Rightarrow \alpha = 1, \dots, 16 \quad \theta^\alpha$$

$$\text{Spinor Lor. transf.: } \delta X^\alpha = \frac{1}{2} \Lambda_{mn} (\gamma^{mn} X)^\alpha$$

$$32 \text{ comp} \begin{pmatrix} + & + & + & + & + \\ - & - & - & - & - \end{pmatrix} \xrightarrow{\text{SO}(10) \rightarrow U(5)} \text{Weyl: } 16 \text{ Weyl} \begin{pmatrix} + & + & + & + & + \\ + & + & + & - & - \\ + & - & - & - & - \end{pmatrix} \begin{matrix} 1 \\ 10 \\ 5 \end{matrix}$$

↓  
eigenvalues of

$$\gamma^1 \pm i\gamma^2 \rightarrow " (+ \text{ sum.} +, - \text{ sum.} - )"$$

$$\gamma^9 \pm i\gamma^{10}$$

$$\text{Anti-Weyl: } 16 \text{ Anti-Weyl} \begin{pmatrix} + & + & + & + & - \\ + & + & - & - & - \\ - & - & - & - & - \end{pmatrix} \begin{matrix} 5 \\ 10 \\ 1 \end{matrix}$$

$$\text{e.g.: } (\gamma^1 + i\gamma^2)_{\alpha\beta} \not\propto \gamma^\beta \text{ s.t. } \beta = (+ + + +) \Rightarrow = 0$$

$$(\gamma^1 - i\gamma^2) \underbrace{(- + + + \quad + + + +)}_{\text{in this sense goes "change" Weyl into Anti-Weyl}}$$

⇒ global spacetime SUSY:

$$\begin{aligned} \delta \theta^\alpha &= \epsilon^\alpha \\ \delta X^m &= \frac{1}{2} \theta^\alpha \gamma^m_{\alpha\beta} \theta^\beta \end{aligned}$$

$$\rightarrow \{ \delta_{q_1}, \delta_{q_2} \} \theta^\alpha = 0$$

$$[\delta_{q_1}, \delta_{q_2}] X^m = \delta_{q_1} \left( \frac{1}{2} \theta^\alpha \gamma^m_{\alpha\beta} \theta^\beta \right) - \dots =$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \epsilon_1^\alpha \gamma^m_{\alpha\beta} \epsilon_2^\beta - \frac{1}{2} \epsilon_2^\alpha \gamma^m_{\alpha\beta} \epsilon_1^\beta = \epsilon_2 \gamma^m \epsilon_1$$

# SUPERPARTICLE (Green - Schwarz)

$$S = \int d\tau \left( P_m (\dot{x}^m - \frac{1}{2} \partial^\alpha \gamma^m \partial_\alpha) + e P^2 \right)$$

→ D=10 SYM (ghou + gluino)

We have:

$$\Gamma^m = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & (\gamma^m)^{\alpha\beta} \\ (\gamma^m)^{\alpha\beta} & 0 \end{pmatrix} \Rightarrow \alpha, \beta = 1, \dots, 16$$

NB.:  $(\gamma^m)^{\alpha\beta} = (\gamma^m)^{\beta\alpha}$

$$\theta^\alpha \rightarrow \text{Weyl} \quad \begin{pmatrix} \cdots \cdots \\ \cdots \cdots \\ \cdots \cdots \\ \cdots \cdots \end{pmatrix} \begin{smallmatrix} 1 \\ 5 \end{smallmatrix}$$

$$\psi_\alpha \rightarrow \text{Anti-Weyl} \quad \begin{pmatrix} + \cdots - \\ + \cdots - \\ + \cdots - \\ + \cdots - \end{pmatrix} \begin{smallmatrix} 5 \\ 1 \end{smallmatrix}$$

NB in D=4

$\text{Weyl}$	$\text{Anti-Weyl}$	$\xrightarrow{\text{complex conj}}$	(in D=10 $\theta^\alpha$ is real)
$\theta^\alpha$	$\bar{\theta}^\alpha$		
$\begin{pmatrix} + & + \\ - & - \end{pmatrix}$	$\begin{pmatrix} + & - \\ - & + \end{pmatrix}$		

s.t.  $\Gamma^0 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & \mathbb{I}_2 \\ -\mathbb{I}_2 & 0 \end{pmatrix}, \quad \Gamma^j = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & \sigma^j \\ \sigma^j & 0 \end{pmatrix}$

$$\Rightarrow \Gamma^1 + i\Gamma^2 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0^2 \\ 0 & 0^2 \end{pmatrix} \quad \Gamma^1 - i\Gamma^2 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0^2 \\ 2 & 0^2 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\Gamma^0 + \Gamma^3 = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 0 \\ 0 & -2 \end{pmatrix} \quad \Gamma^0 - \Gamma^3 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0^2 \\ -2 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

Then  $\theta^{++} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \quad \theta^{--} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \quad \theta^{+-} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}, \quad \theta^{-+} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$

⇒ first 2 comp. are Weyl, while the others one anti-Weyl

Let's try to quantize the action:

momentum w.r.t.  $\theta$ :  $p_\alpha = \frac{\delta \mathcal{L}}{\delta \dot{\theta}^\alpha} = -\frac{i}{2} P^m (\gamma_m \theta)_\alpha \rightarrow \theta$  dependent

$$\rightarrow d_\alpha = p_\alpha + \frac{i}{2} P^m (\gamma_m \theta)_\alpha = 0 \text{ is a const.}$$

NB: the no. of comp.  $\alpha, \beta$  is related to  $N=1$  or  $N=2$  supersym.

$\rightarrow$  we have:  $\{d_\alpha, P^2\} = 0$

$$(\text{NB: } \{p_\alpha, \theta^\beta\} = -i \delta_{\alpha}^{\beta}) \quad \{d_\alpha, d_\beta\} = \{p_\alpha, p_\beta\} + \left\{ \frac{i}{2} P^m (\gamma_m \theta)_\alpha, \frac{i}{2} P^n (\gamma_n \theta)_\beta \right\} + \\ + \left\{ p_\alpha, \frac{i}{2} P^n (\gamma_n \theta)_\beta \right\} + \left\{ \frac{i}{2} P^m (\gamma_m \theta)_\alpha, p_\beta \right\} =$$

$$= P_m (\gamma^m)_{\alpha\beta} \Rightarrow \text{II class constraints?}$$

Consider the ref. frame  $P^+ \neq 0 \Rightarrow P^+ (\gamma^-)_{\alpha\beta} = P^+ \begin{pmatrix} \mathbb{I}_8 & 0 \\ 0 & 0_8 \end{pmatrix}$

$$\left[ \gamma_{\alpha\beta}^- = \begin{pmatrix} \mathbb{I}_8 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}, \quad \gamma_{\alpha\beta}^+ = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & \mathbb{I}_8 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \right]$$

$\downarrow$   
 $\gamma^- - \gamma^+$

$\Downarrow$   
8 first class

8 second class

$\rightarrow$  I class constraints?  $\Rightarrow$  BRST

$\rightarrow$  II class constraints?  $\Rightarrow$  Dirac brackets:  $\{A, B\}_{DB} = \{A, B\}_{PB} -$

$$\Rightarrow \{A, q_i\}_{DB} = 0$$

$$- \{A, q_j\} C_{ik}^j \{q_i, B\}$$

$\Downarrow$   
II class

how to invert  
 $C_{ijk}^i$  when it becomes  
operator?  $\Rightarrow$  NO USE

To remove I class constraints, the simplest way is to gauge fix the action:

$$\text{symmetry: } \delta \theta^\alpha = (\not{P} K(z))^\alpha$$

Homework: show that  
this is  $\alpha$  symm.

$$\delta X^m = -\frac{1}{2} (\theta \gamma^m \delta \theta)$$

local K-symmetry

$$\delta P^m = 0$$

$$\delta e = \dot{\theta}^\alpha K_\alpha(z)$$

assume  $P^+ \neq 0$

Gauge fix the fermions  $\theta^\alpha$ :  $(\gamma^+ \theta)_\alpha = 0 \Rightarrow$  the last 8 comp. of  $\theta_\alpha$  will be 0.

$$\begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ I_8 \end{pmatrix} (\theta^\alpha)$$

$$\rightsquigarrow S = \int dt (P_m \dot{X}^m + e P^2 - \frac{1}{2} \dot{\theta}^\alpha \gamma_{\beta\gamma}^j \partial^j P^\beta - \frac{1}{2} \dot{\theta}^\alpha \gamma_{\alpha\beta}^j \partial^j P^\beta) \xrightarrow{0: \text{gauge fix}}$$

$$\Rightarrow \dot{\theta}^\alpha \gamma_{\alpha\beta}^j \left( \frac{\gamma^+ \gamma^- + \gamma^- \gamma^+}{2} \right) \partial^j = \dot{\theta}^\alpha \gamma^+ \gamma^j \partial = 0$$

$$\rightsquigarrow S = \int dt (P_m \dot{X}^m + e P^2 + \frac{1}{2} \dot{\theta}^a \partial^a P^+) \quad a, \dot{a} = 1, \dots, 8$$

$$\theta^\alpha = \begin{pmatrix} \theta^a \\ \theta^{\dot{a}} \end{pmatrix} \xrightarrow{\text{SO}(8) \text{ Weyl}} \text{SO}(8) \text{ Anti-Weyl} \quad a, \dot{a} = 1, \dots, 8$$

$$\text{Now: } p_a = \frac{1}{2} \partial_a P^+ \Rightarrow S^a = \sqrt{\frac{P^+}{2}} \theta^a$$

$$\Rightarrow S = \int dt (P_m \dot{X}^m + e P^2 + \dot{S}^a S^a) \quad \{ S^a, S^b \} = 2 \delta^{ab}$$

$$\text{as for } \{ q^m, q^n \} = 2 \eta^{mn} \Rightarrow |0\rangle^\alpha \text{ s.t. } q^m |0\rangle^\alpha \rightarrow (\Gamma^m)^\alpha{}^\beta |0\rangle_\beta$$

$$\text{we find } \{ \Gamma_{ab}^j, \Gamma_{cd}^k \} = 2 \delta^{jk} \delta_{ac} \quad [ \{ \Gamma_{ab}^i, \Gamma_{cd}^k \} = 2 \delta^{jk} \delta_{bc} ] \quad \begin{matrix} a, \dot{a} = 1, \dots, 8 \\ j = 1, \dots, 8 \end{matrix}$$

$$\text{SO}(8) \text{ triality} \iff \{ \Gamma_{ab}^j, \Gamma_{cd}^j \} = 2 \delta_{ac} \delta_{bd}$$

$$\Rightarrow q^j \rightarrow |0\rangle^a \text{ Weyl} \\ |0\rangle^{\dot{a}} \text{ Anti-Weyl}$$

$$S^a \rightarrow |0\rangle^j \text{ SO}(8) \text{ vector} \longrightarrow \text{GLUON} \quad A_j \quad (\text{SYM}) \\ |0\rangle^{\dot{a}} \text{ anti-Weyl spinor} \quad \text{SO}(8) \rightarrow \text{GLUINO} \quad \chi_{\dot{a}}$$

$$\text{i.e.: } S^a |0\rangle^j = (\Gamma^j)^{\alpha}{}^{\dot{a}} |0\rangle_{\dot{a}}$$

$$\text{Add def: } S = \int dt \left( P_m \dot{x}^m + e P^2 + \dot{s}^\alpha s^\alpha + p_\alpha \partial^\alpha + f^\alpha \left( d_\alpha + \frac{1}{\sqrt{P}} (\not{P} \gamma^+ S)_\alpha \right) \right)$$

$$d_\alpha = p_\alpha + \frac{1}{2} (\not{P} \theta)_\alpha$$

Lagrange mult. I class

$$(\alpha = 1, \dots, 16; \alpha = 1, \dots, 8)$$

$$\{\bar{S}_\alpha, S_\beta\} = \gamma_{\alpha\beta} \Leftrightarrow \{S_a, S_b\} = \delta_{ab}$$

$$\rightarrow \{\hat{d}_\alpha, \hat{d}_\beta\} = (\not{P})_{\alpha\beta} + \frac{\not{P} \gamma^+ \gamma^- \gamma^+ \not{P}}{P^+} = \frac{P^2}{P^+} (\gamma^+)_\alpha{}^\beta$$

$$\text{NB: spacetime SUSY} \Rightarrow \delta p_\alpha = -\frac{1}{2} (\not{P} \epsilon)_\alpha$$

$$\delta x^m = \frac{1}{2} \delta \theta \gamma^m \theta \quad (\text{global})$$

$$\delta \theta^\alpha = \epsilon^\alpha$$

because of the I class const.

$$\text{LOCAL: } \delta \theta^\alpha = \epsilon^\alpha, \quad \delta \tilde{S}^\beta = \epsilon^\alpha \{\hat{d}_\alpha, \tilde{S}^\beta\} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{P^+}} (\not{P} \gamma^+)_\alpha{}^\beta \epsilon^\alpha$$

$$(\tilde{S} = \gamma^+ S)$$

$$\delta x^m = \epsilon^\alpha \left( \frac{1}{2} (\gamma^m \theta)_\alpha + \frac{1}{\sqrt{P^+}} (\gamma^m \tilde{S})_\alpha - \frac{i}{2} \frac{\delta^m}{(P^+)^{1/2}} (\not{P} \tilde{S})_\alpha \right)$$

Gauge  $\theta^\alpha = 0$

ORIGINAL ACTION

$$\delta p_\alpha = (\not{P} \epsilon)_\alpha$$

Suppose instead:

gauge:  $f^\alpha = 0 \Rightarrow \tilde{\lambda}^\alpha$  ghost, Majorana-Weyl spinor

$$\rightarrow Q = \tilde{\lambda}^\alpha \hat{d}_\alpha + c P^2 + \tilde{\lambda} \frac{\gamma^+ \tilde{\lambda}^\beta}{P^+}$$

$\rightarrow$  Cohan  $\Rightarrow$  non Lorentz covariant!

fix 11 components of  $f^\alpha$  to 0  $\Rightarrow$  PURE SPINOR

\* what is  $\lambda$ ?

symm.

$$\rightarrow \text{D even: } \lambda^\alpha \lambda^\beta - (\gamma^{m_1 \dots m_{16/2}})^{\alpha\beta} f_{m_1 \dots m_{16/2}} + (\gamma^{m_1 \dots m_{2-4}})^{\alpha\beta} f_{m_1 \dots m_{2-4}} + \dots$$

$\Rightarrow$  "pure spinor" if ONLY  $f_{m_1 \dots m_{16/2}} \neq 0$

$$\lambda^\alpha = 0$$

$$Q = \lambda^\alpha \hat{d}_\alpha$$

$$d_\alpha = p_\alpha + \frac{1}{2} (\not{P} \theta)_\alpha$$

projective pure spinor:  $\frac{SO(D)}{U(\frac{D}{2})} \rightarrow \frac{D(D-1)}{2} - \left(\frac{D}{2}\right)^2 \rightarrow D=10 \Rightarrow 10 \text{ comp}$

pure spinor:  $\mathbb{C} \times \frac{SO(D)}{U(\frac{D}{2})} \rightarrow D=10 \rightarrow 11 \text{ comp}$

NB: pure spinor is a BOSON!

Therefore we show that:

$$S = \int d\tau \left[ \dot{X}^m P_m + \frac{1}{2} \dot{S}^\alpha S^\alpha + e P^2 + p_\alpha \dot{\theta}^\alpha + f^\alpha \hat{d}_\alpha \right]$$

can be studied as:

$$* S = \int d\tau \left[ \dot{X}^m P_m + \frac{1}{2} \dot{S}^\alpha S^\alpha + P^2 + b \dot{c} \right] \quad (\theta^\alpha = 0, \epsilon = 1, Q = c P^2)$$

$$Q = c P^2$$

$$* S = \int d\tau \left[ \dot{X}^m P_m + \frac{1}{2} \dot{S}^\alpha S^\alpha + p_\alpha \dot{\theta}^\alpha + b \dot{c} + \hat{\omega}_\alpha \hat{\lambda}^\alpha \right] \quad (f^\alpha = 0, e = 1)$$

$$Q = \hat{\lambda}^\alpha \hat{d}_\alpha + c P^2 + \frac{b(\hat{\lambda} \gamma^+ \hat{\lambda})}{P^+}$$

$$* S = \int d\tau \left( \dot{X}^m P_m + p_\alpha \dot{\theta}^\alpha + \omega_\alpha \dot{\lambda}^\alpha \right) \quad (\lambda \gamma^m \lambda = 0, \text{ gauge } f^\alpha = u_m (\gamma^m \bar{\lambda})^\alpha)$$

$$Q = \lambda^\alpha \hat{d}_\alpha$$

11 indep. solutions

## PURE SPINOR

$$\lambda \gamma^m \lambda = 0 \quad \text{Non zero: } \lambda^{+++++}$$

Take  $U(1) \subset SO(10)$  rotations  $\Rightarrow (x^i + x^{i+1})' = e^{i\omega_i} (x^i + i x^{i+1})$

$\lambda^{+++++} \rightarrow \text{changed } \frac{5}{2} \text{ w.r.t. to } U(1) \text{ transf}$

$$SO(10) \rightarrow U(5) \sim SU(5) \times U(1)$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} +++++ \\ +++-- \\ +---- \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1s_1 \\ 10s_2 \\ 5-3s_2 \end{pmatrix}$$

We know:

$$X^m \begin{cases} \rightarrow X^\alpha = \begin{pmatrix} x^1 + ix^2 \\ x^3 + ix^4 \\ \vdots \\ x^{n-1} - ix^n \end{pmatrix} \rightarrow S_1 \\ \rightarrow X^{\bar{\alpha}} = \begin{pmatrix} x^1 - ix^2 \\ x^3 - ix^4 \\ \vdots \\ x^{n-1} + ix^n \end{pmatrix} \rightarrow \bar{S}_1 \end{cases}$$

$$\Rightarrow \lambda^{+++++} \lambda^{+++++} \rightarrow \lambda \gamma^{(1+i2)(3+i4)\dots} \lambda \quad \text{scale breaking}$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{PURE SPINOR} \in \frac{SO(10)}{SU(5)} \times \mathbb{R} = \frac{SO(10)}{U(5)} \times \mathbb{C}$$

$$\rightarrow \lambda^\alpha = \begin{pmatrix} +++++ \\ ++++- \\ +---+ \end{pmatrix} \xrightarrow{S} \begin{pmatrix} \lambda^+ \\ \lambda_{[abc]} \\ \lambda^a \end{pmatrix} \rightarrow \text{NOT INDEP} \quad \lambda^\alpha = e^{\text{scale} \lambda_{(bc)} \lambda_{(dc)}} \lambda^+$$

$$\lambda^{----} \neq 0 \rightarrow 1 \cdot s_2$$

$$\text{Now gauge } f^\alpha = (\bar{\lambda} \gamma^m) u_m \rightarrow \text{fix comm. of } f^\alpha.$$

\* Remaining:  $\epsilon^\alpha = (\bar{\lambda} \gamma^m) q_m \rightarrow \text{NB: cannot gauge fix comm. var. with}$

subcomm:

$$\delta \epsilon = \frac{\epsilon^\alpha (\bar{P} f) \lambda}{P^+}$$

OK only for small var.

Now we have to study the cohomology of  $Q = \lambda^\alpha D_\alpha$  ( $\lambda \gamma^m \lambda = 0$ )

$$V(\lambda^\alpha, x^m, \theta^\alpha) = \varphi(x, \theta) + \lambda^\alpha A_\alpha(x, \theta) + \lambda^\alpha \lambda^\beta B_{\alpha\beta}(x, \theta)$$

$$Q = \lambda^\alpha D_\alpha$$

$$Q V = 0: \quad \lambda^\alpha D_\alpha \varphi = 0 \Rightarrow D_\alpha \varphi = 0 \Rightarrow \frac{\partial}{\partial x^m} \varphi = 0 \Rightarrow \varphi \text{ const.}$$

$$\lambda^\alpha \lambda^\beta D_\alpha A_\beta = 0 = (\lambda \gamma^m \lambda) (\bar{D} \gamma_m A) + (\lambda \gamma^{mnpqr} \lambda) (\bar{D} \gamma_{mnpqr} A) \Rightarrow$$

$$\Rightarrow \gamma^{mnpqr} D_\alpha A_\beta = 0$$

$$\lambda^\alpha \lambda^\beta \lambda^\gamma D_{(\alpha} B_{\beta\gamma)} = 0$$

$$\delta V = Q \Sigma \Rightarrow \lambda^\alpha A_\alpha = \lambda^\alpha D_\alpha \Omega \Rightarrow \delta A_\alpha = D_\alpha \Omega$$

$$\lambda^\alpha \lambda^\beta B_{\alpha\beta} = \lambda^\alpha \lambda^\beta D_\alpha X_\beta$$

Therefore we can gauge:

$$A_\alpha(x, \theta) = (\gamma^m \theta)_\alpha a^m(x) + (\gamma^m \theta)_\alpha (\gamma^m \theta)_\beta \chi^\beta(x) + \dots$$

where  $a_m(x)$  satisfies  $\partial^m \partial_m a_n = 0$  up to  $\delta a_m = \partial_m A$

$$\chi^\beta(x) \quad " \quad (\partial^\beta \chi)_\beta = 0$$

Plus:

$$B_{\alpha\beta}(x) = (\gamma^m \theta)_\alpha (\theta \gamma^{np} \theta) (\gamma^{np} \chi^*)_\beta + (\theta a^{*\mu})_\alpha$$

$$\delta \chi^*_\mu = (\partial_\mu \rho)_\alpha$$

$$\delta a^{*\mu} = \partial_\mu \rho^{\mu\nu}$$

$$\text{NB: } \Omega(x, \theta) = a(x) + \theta^\alpha b_\alpha(x) + \theta^\alpha \theta^\beta c_{\alpha\beta}(x) + \dots$$

$$D_\alpha \Omega(x, \theta) = b_\alpha + \theta^\beta (c_{\alpha\beta} + \partial_\beta a) + \dots$$

$$A_\alpha(x, \theta) = b_\alpha + \theta^\beta g_{\alpha\beta} + \dots$$

$$g_{\alpha\beta} = g^m (\gamma_m)_{\alpha\beta} + g^{umpq} (\gamma_{umpq})_{\alpha\beta} + g^{ump} (\gamma_{ump})_{\alpha\beta}$$

## → STRING description

$$S = \int d\tau d\sigma \left[ \partial X^m \bar{\partial} X_m + p_\alpha \bar{\partial} \theta^\alpha + \omega_\alpha \bar{\partial} \lambda^\alpha + \bar{p}^\alpha \bar{\partial} \bar{\theta}_\alpha + \bar{\omega}^\alpha \bar{\partial} \bar{\lambda}_\alpha \right]$$

IIA :  $\theta^\alpha$  Weyl,  $\bar{\theta}_\alpha$  Anti-Weyl  
 IIB "  $\bar{\theta}^\alpha$  Anti-Weyl

$\lambda^\alpha, \theta^\alpha$  conf weight 0

$\omega_\alpha, p_\alpha$  " 1

$$\theta^\alpha(\sigma + 2\pi) = \theta^\alpha(\sigma)$$

$$\theta^\alpha = \bar{\theta}^\alpha(\sigma = 0)$$

$$\theta^\alpha = \bar{\theta}^\alpha(\sigma = \pi)$$

OPEN STR.

$$\lambda^\alpha A_\alpha(x, \theta) \quad k^2=0$$

$$\lambda^\alpha \partial X^m A_{\alpha m}(x, \theta) \quad k^2=1$$

CLOSED STR.

$$b^\alpha [c \bar{c} \partial X^m \bar{\partial} X^m (h_{mn} + b_{mn} + \varphi \eta_{mn})]$$

$$\lambda^\alpha \bar{\lambda}^\beta A_{\alpha\beta}(x, \theta, \bar{\theta}) =$$

$$= (\lambda^\alpha \theta^\beta)(\bar{\lambda}^\gamma \bar{\theta}^\delta) [h_{\alpha\beta\gamma\delta} + b_{\alpha\beta\gamma\delta} + \varphi \eta_{\alpha\beta\gamma\delta}]$$

$$+ (\lambda \bar{\lambda} \theta^2 \bar{\theta}) X_{mn} +$$

$$+ (\lambda \bar{\lambda} \theta^2 \bar{\theta}^2)^{\alpha\beta} F_{\alpha\beta}(x) + \dots$$

## TREE AMPLITUDES

→ easy to classify ⇒ 2D Riemann surfaces

$$\rightarrow CFT \Rightarrow \text{map} \quad \begin{array}{c} \text{---} \\ \text{---} \end{array} \longrightarrow \quad \begin{array}{c} \text{---} \\ \text{---} \\ \text{---} \end{array}$$

if gauge fixed ⇒ broken symmetry → more complicated

$$\text{Use CFT: } z \mapsto \frac{az+b}{cz+d} \quad ad - bc = 1$$

$$\int D\bar{X} \int Dc e^{-\int d^2z (\bar{X} \bar{\partial} X + b \bar{\partial} c + \dots)}$$

$$\begin{array}{c} x \\ \text{---} \\ x \quad x \end{array} \longrightarrow \quad \begin{array}{c} x \\ \text{---} \\ x \quad x \end{array}$$

$$\rightarrow \text{vertex ops: } \int D\bar{X} \int Dc e^{-S} V_1(z_1) V_2(z_2) V_3(z_3) V_4(z_4)$$

$$\text{e.g.: } V(z) = \alpha_m(z) \partial X^m(z)$$

$$\int \partial X \partial c e^{-S} \int dz_4 V_1(0) V_2(1) V_3(\infty) V_4(z_4)$$

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$$c(0) a_m(z) \partial X^m(0) \text{ etc}$$

$\Rightarrow$  with  $\int dz_4$  this is not conf. inv  $\Rightarrow$  no ghost on  $V_4$

$\downarrow$

$\alpha' \rightarrow 0 \Rightarrow$  Feynman diagram!      not BRST inv?  $\rightarrow$  total derivative

e.g.:

$$\langle c(z_1) a_m(z_1) \partial X^m(z_1) c(z_2) a_p(z_2) \partial X^p(z_2) c(z_3) a_q(z_3) \partial X^q(z_3) \rangle$$

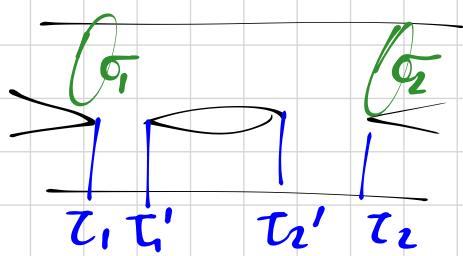
## LOOP AMPLITUDES

$\rightarrow$  not all surfaces are the same:

|      SPHERE  $\rightarrow$  they're all related by radius rescaling

TORUS  $\rightarrow$  Teichmüller param

genus  $g \rightarrow 3g-3$  COMPLEX PARAMETERS



$$\Rightarrow \frac{\tau_2 - \tau_1}{\sigma_2, \sigma_1} \rightarrow z_4, \bar{z}_4$$

$$\frac{\tau'_1 - \tau_1}{\tau'_2 - \tau_2} \rightarrow \rho_1, \rho_2, \dots$$

$$\underline{\underline{\int (d^2\rho)^{3g-3} \prod_{i=1}^N \int (d^2z_i) \int \partial X \partial c e^{-\int d^2z (\partial X \bar{\partial} X + b \bar{\partial} c)}}} \cdot V_1(z_1) \dots V_N(z_N) \int (db)^{3g-3}$$

## Amplitudes

PERTURBATIVE:



4 graviton scatt.

NON PERT. DUALITIES: e.g.: type IIB  $g_s \leftrightarrow \frac{1}{g_s} \Rightarrow R + (\alpha')^3 R^4 + (\alpha')^6 \partial^2 R + \dots$

New renorm. conjecture

→ related to 32 supersym.

→ due to higher order derivatives  $\Rightarrow$  SUGRA is not finite

→ sum over diff. struc of same genus  $\Rightarrow$  allow periodic / anti-periodic cycles

~~~~~ Scattering eqn  $\rightarrow \alpha' \rightarrow 0$

$\downarrow$  nobody knows how to relate them...

$\alpha' = \infty$

How to derive the expression?

$$\text{BOS } S_g = \left( \int d^2 z \right)^{3g-3} \left( \int d^2 z \right)^N \int dX \int d\bar{b} \int d\bar{c} e^{-S} V_1(z_1) \dots V_N(z_N) \left( \int dz u(z) b \right)^{3g-3} \left( \int d\bar{z} \bar{u}(\bar{z}) \bar{b} \right)^{3g-3}$$

$$\text{SUPERST: } S_g = \left( \int d^2 z \right)^{3g-3} \int dX \int d\theta d\bar{\theta} \int dp d\bar{p} \int d\lambda \int dw e^{-S} V_1 \dots V_N \left( \int dz u(z) b \right)^{3g-3} \left( \int d\bar{z} \bar{u}(\bar{z}) \bar{b} \right)^{3g-3}$$

not indep of other modes!

BOSONIC:  $\int b \rightarrow$  related to def  $\int d^2 z$

FERMIONIC: no b ghost but insert an operator such that it compensates for surface mod.

→ if only 3 vertex ops.  $V_1 V_2 V_3 \Rightarrow$  not enough  $\theta$ s and  $p$ s unless  $g=0$   
thus always vanishes unless  $g=0$  (sphere)

→ 3 gravitons scatt. contributes only at  $(g=0)$

→ same for 4 operators up to  $(g=1)$

→ i.e.: not enough  $O$ -modes

How to integrate over  $\lambda$  and  $\omega$ ?

$$\lambda \gamma^m \lambda = 0 \rightarrow \text{constraint!}$$

~~~ open problem at 3-loops  $\Rightarrow$  divergences!!!

$\rightarrow$   $\tau$  integration might mess up the ampt. with non trivial dependencies!

Therefore

$$RNS: S_g = \left( \int d^2\tau \right)^{3g-3} \left( \int d^2z \right)^N \int \partial X \int \partial Q \int \partial b \int \partial c \int \partial \bar{b} \int \partial \bar{c} e^S V_1 \dots V_N \left( \int b \right)^{3g-3} \left( \int \bar{b} \right)^{3g-3}$$

$$PS: S_g = \left( \int d^2\tau \right)^{3g-3} \int \partial X \int \partial \bar{X} \int \partial \bar{b} \int \partial \bar{c} \int \partial \lambda \int \partial \omega e^S V_1 \dots V_N \left( \int b \right)^{3g-3} \left( \int \bar{b} \right)^{3g-3}$$

$\rightarrow$  how to prove that they're equivalent is an open problem

$$\Rightarrow g_{mn}(x) \sim \eta_{mn} + h_{mn}(x)$$

$\sqrt{g} R \rightarrow h \partial h \partial h + \bar{h} \partial \bar{h} \partial \bar{h} + \dots \rightarrow$  compute each scatt ampt  $\rightarrow$  not manifest diff invariant

the simplest way : non flat background

$$S = \int d\tau d\sigma \left( \partial X^m \bar{\partial} X^n g_{mn}(x) + b \bar{\partial} c + \bar{b} \partial \bar{c} \right)$$

$$Q = \int d\sigma \left( c g_{mn} \partial X^m \bar{\partial} X^n + bc \bar{\partial} c \right)$$

$\Rightarrow Q^2 \neq 0$  (no longer conf. invariant at quantum lev.)

$$\Rightarrow O = Ric_{mn} - g_{mn} R + \alpha' (\dots)$$

$\rightarrow g_{mn}$  must satisfy stringy connection !!!

$$\text{interpretation: } g_{mn}(x) = h_{mn} + \bar{h}_{mn}(x)$$

$$e^{S[g_{mn}]} = e^{S[\eta_{mn}]} e^{\int d\tau d\sigma \boxed{h_{mn}(x) \partial X^m \bar{\partial} X^n}} = e^{S[\eta_{mn}]} \left( 1 + V_{grav} + \frac{1}{2} V_{grav}^2 + \dots \right)$$

graviton vertex!

such that  $QV_{\text{grav}} = 0$  (on shell graviton)

$\Rightarrow$  Other background?

$$S = \int d\sigma d\tau [b\bar{\partial}c + \bar{b}\partial\bar{c} + \partial X^m \partial X^n g_{mn} + \partial X^m \partial X^n b_{mn} + \alpha' R^{(2)} \varphi(x)]$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{if } \varphi = \text{const} \rightarrow \alpha' \int d\sigma R^{(2)} \varphi = 4\pi \alpha' (1-g) \varphi$$

$$\Rightarrow e^S = \dots e^{(2-2g)\varphi_0} = (\lambda_S)^{2g-g} \Rightarrow \lambda_S = e^{-\varphi_0}$$

$\Rightarrow \lambda_S$  is NOT background indep!

$\Rightarrow$  it depends on  $\varphi$  VEV!

The description of R-R fields is more difficult:

$$V = F_{mnpqr}(x) (\gamma^{mnpqr})^{\alpha\beta} (\lambda \gamma^m \theta)(\gamma_m \theta)_\alpha (\bar{\lambda} \gamma^n \theta)(\gamma_n \theta)_\beta$$

$$\int V = F_{mnpqr}(x) (\gamma^{mnpqr})^{\alpha\beta} (p + \partial X^m \gamma_m \theta)_\alpha (\bar{p} + \bar{\partial} X^m \gamma_m \bar{\theta})_\beta$$

in R-R background  $p, \bar{p}$  can be int. out

$$\Rightarrow S = \int d\tau d\sigma \left\{ \partial X^m \bar{\partial} X^n g_{mn}(x) + (p + \partial X \theta)_\alpha (\bar{p} + \bar{\partial} X \bar{\theta})_\beta F_{mnpqr}(x) (\gamma^{mnpqr})^{\alpha\beta} + \omega \bar{\partial} \lambda + \bar{\omega} \partial \bar{\lambda} \right\} + \alpha' \int d\tau d\sigma R^{(2)} \varphi(x)$$

$$\Rightarrow PSU(2,2|4)$$

$$= SO(4,2) \oplus SO(4) \oplus 32 \text{ SUSY}$$

$\downarrow$        $\downarrow$        $\downarrow$   
30 bosonic      32 fermionic

$$\Rightarrow H = SO(1,1) \times SO(5)$$

$\downarrow$        $\checkmark$

20 bosonic

$$\Rightarrow AdS_5 \times S^5 \xrightarrow{PSU(2,2|4)/SO(1,1) \times SO(5)} G(x, \theta, \bar{\theta})$$

$$\bar{\nabla} \lambda^\alpha = \bar{\partial} \lambda^\alpha + (G^{-1} \bar{\partial} G)^{mn} (\gamma_{mn})^\alpha$$

$\curvearrowright$  left  $PSU(2,2|4)$  invariant

$$\rightarrow S = \int d\tau d\sigma \left[ (G^{-1} \bar{\partial} G)^I (\bar{G}^{-1} \bar{\partial} G)^J \eta_{IJ} + \omega \bar{\nabla} \lambda + \bar{\omega} \nabla \bar{\lambda} \right]$$

$\hookrightarrow$  run over all obj's in the algebra of  $AdS_5 \times S^5$

16 fermionic SUSY

$$Q = \int d\sigma \lambda^\alpha (G^{-1} \partial G)_\alpha \quad ; \quad \bar{Q} = \int d\sigma \bar{\lambda}^\alpha (\bar{G}^{-1} \bar{\partial} \bar{G})_{\alpha'}$$

$\rightarrow$  find  $V(x, \theta, \bar{\theta}, \lambda, \bar{\lambda})$  s.t.  $QV=0$

$\rightarrow$  various approx.: (e.g.:  $\frac{1}{2}$ -BPS)  $\rightsquigarrow$  NO known full form however!

## STRING FIELD THEORY

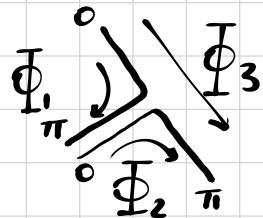
I quant.  $\rightarrow X(z)$

$$\text{II quant. } \rightarrow \Phi(X(z), b, c) = c A_m \partial X^m + \dots$$

$$\text{e.o.m.: } Q\Phi + \dot{\Phi} \times \ddot{\Phi} = 0$$

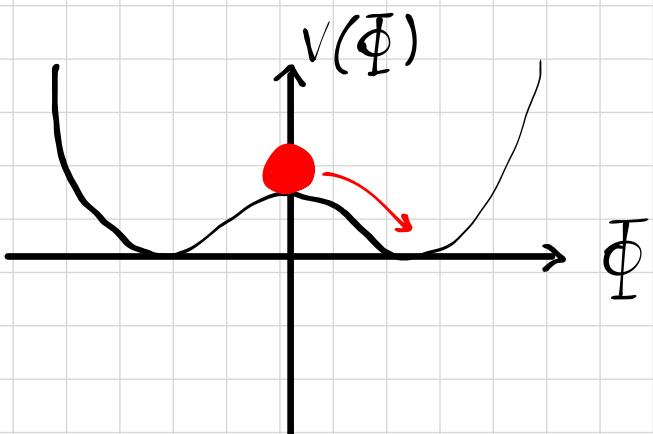
$$\delta\dot{\Phi} = Q\Lambda + \Lambda \times \dot{\Phi} - \dot{\Phi} \times \Lambda$$

$$\Rightarrow \dot{\Phi}_1 \times \dot{\Phi}_2 = \dot{\Phi}_3$$



$$\rightarrow S = \langle \dot{\Phi} \times Q\dot{\Phi} + \frac{2}{3} \dot{\Phi} \times \dot{\Phi} \times \dot{\Phi} \rangle$$

Tachyon?



$\rightarrow$  SFT is good for the study of tachyon decay  $\Rightarrow$  need off-shell amplitudes

TWISTORS

$$\text{instead of } X \rightarrow \text{twistors} \rightarrow S = \int d\tau d\sigma u_\alpha \bar{\partial} \lambda^\alpha \leftrightarrow \int d\tau d\sigma (\omega \bar{\partial} \lambda + \partial X \bar{\partial} X)$$

bosonic spinors  $\Rightarrow$  fake spinors!