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Introduction.

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Witten 86'

- Interaction term includes local insertion of PCO.
 - divergent contact terms, broken gauge inv.
- To remedy these, various approaches are proposed.

In my talk, two successive formulations are picked up.

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The small Hilbert space

Some attempts . . .

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(WZW-like actions)

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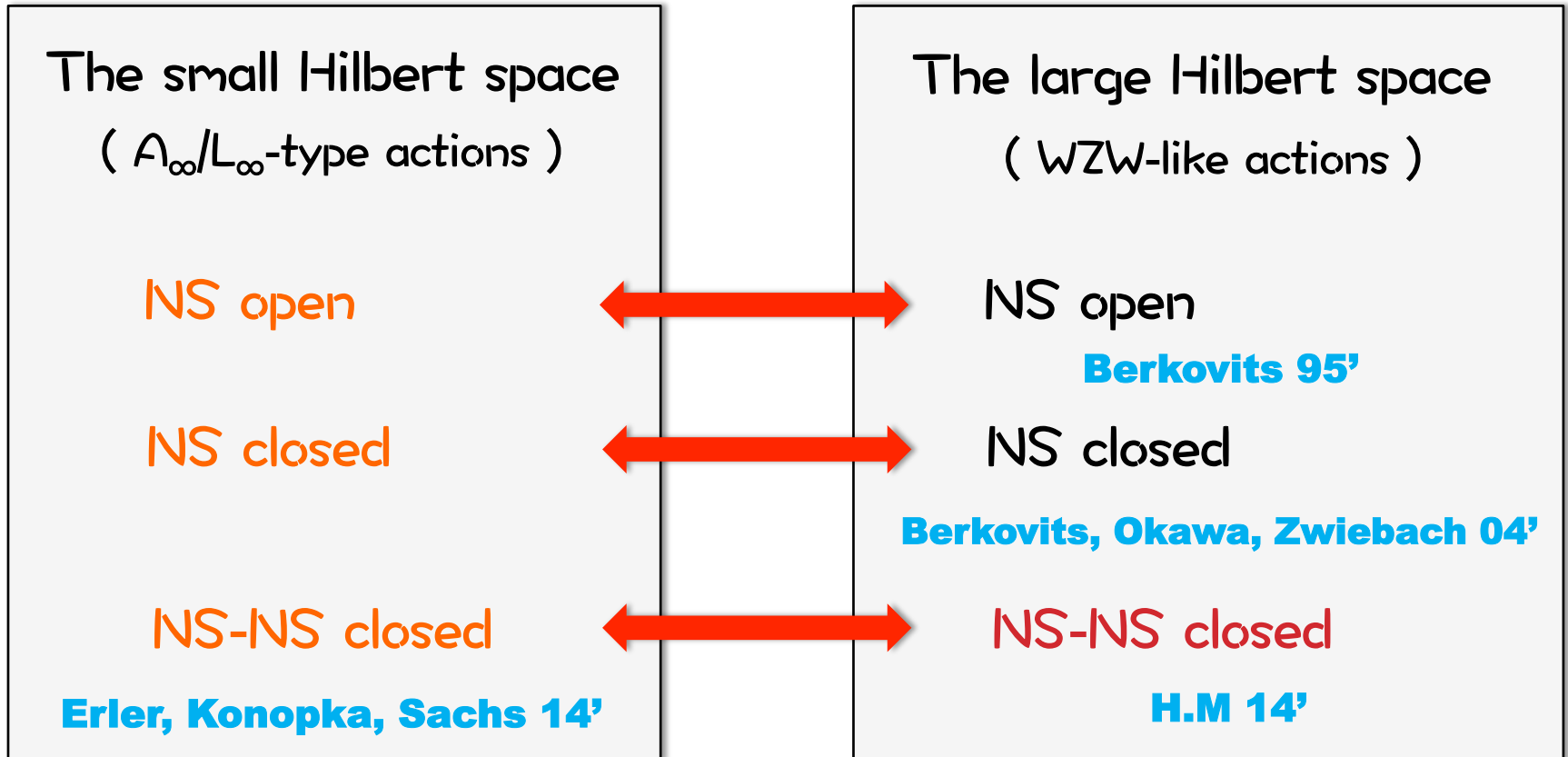
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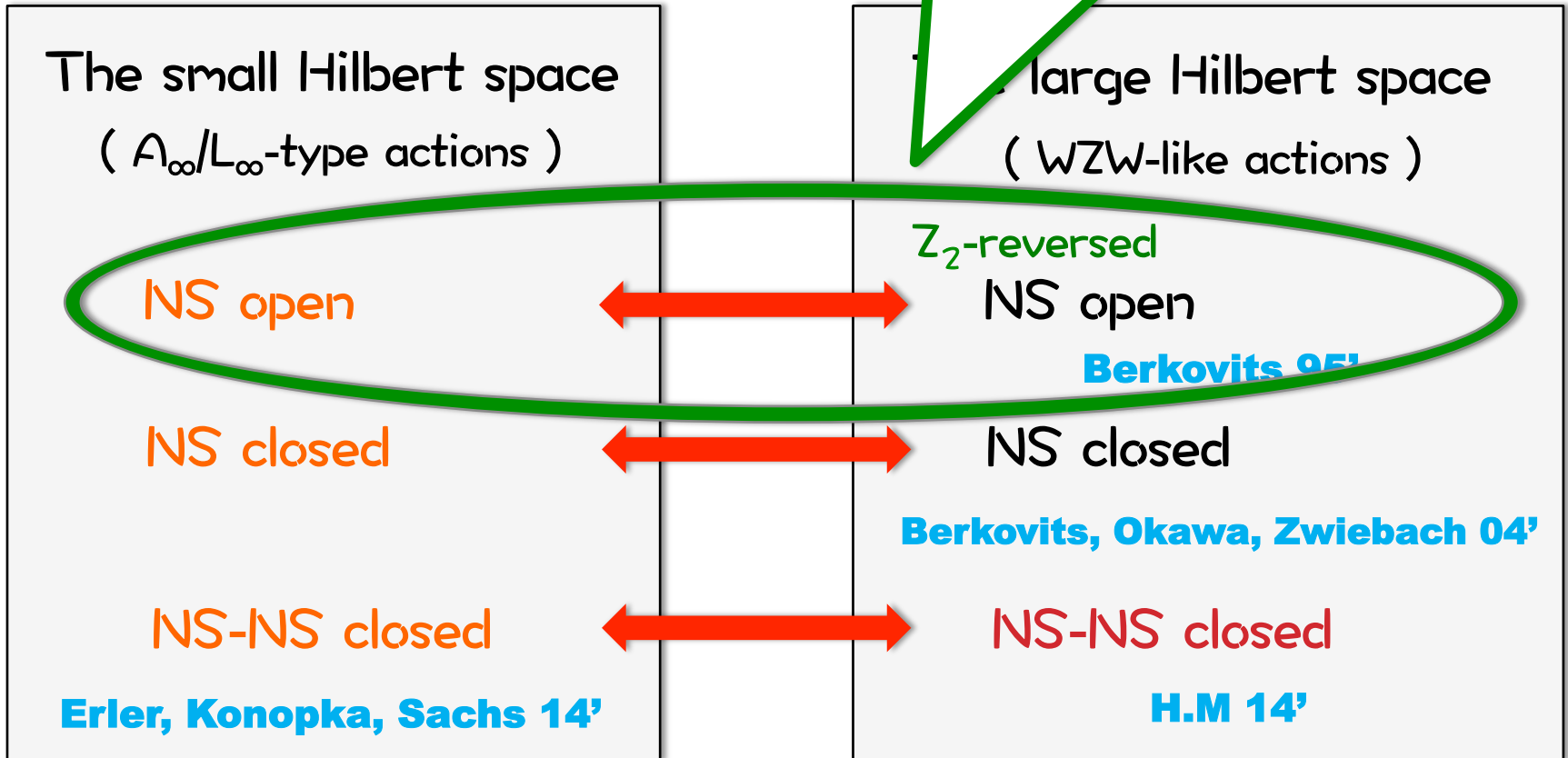
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Okaawa-san explained



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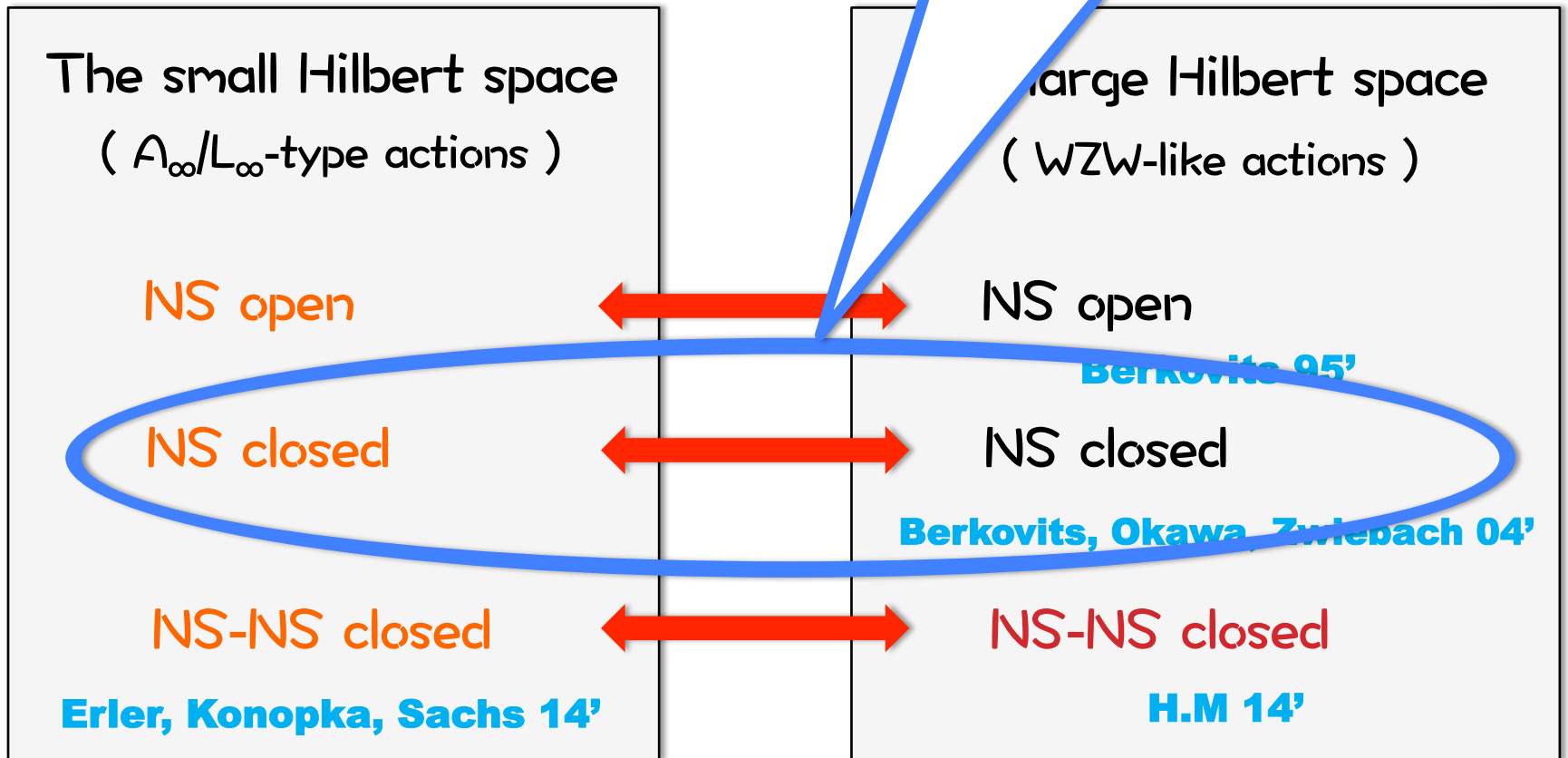
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Topic in my talk



Gauge fixing ... OK

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Plan

0. Introduction

1. Two formulations : L , Qg

2. Similarity Transformations

3. Equivalence of on-shell conditions

1. A short review of Two Formulations

- Resolving singularities -

We start with Witten's cubic superstring field theory.

Picture # anomaly

There exists ghost & picture # anomaly !!

$$\text{Witten's Action : } S = \frac{1}{2} \langle \Psi, Q\Psi \rangle + \frac{1}{3} \langle \Psi, \underline{X(i)}(\Psi * \Psi) \rangle$$

$X(i)$: Picture Changing Operator

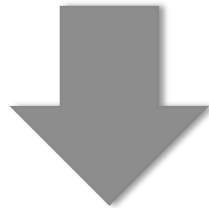
$$\langle \Psi, X(i)(\Psi * \Psi) \rangle = \text{Diagram}$$

Two formulations

- OPE of PCOs $X(i)$ is **singular** . . .

→ Contact terms become **DIVERGENT !!**

- **Broken** gauge invariance. . .



Two Formulations for Superstring Field Theory

(A) WZW-like Formulation (the **large** Hilbert space)

(B) A_∞/L_∞ -type Formulation (the **small** Hilbert space)

(A) WZW-like Formulation

(the large Hilbert space)

Changing the $\#_{\text{ghost}}$ & $\#_{\text{picture}}$ of string fields.

Large-space string fields

In the “large” Hilbert space. . . ($\eta\xi\phi$ -system)

Vertex Op.	String Field	($\#_{\text{gh}} \mid \#_{\text{pic}}$)
Large : $\mathcal{V}(z) = \xi(z)ce^{-\phi}V_m$	$\rightarrow \Phi$	(0 0)

There exists **conformal weight 1** current : $\eta(z)$

\rightarrow Zero mode $\eta := \eta_0$ also becomes **a derivation !!**

Note that “# of Q” = (1 | 0) and “# of η ” = (1 | -1)

The free Action (NS open)

Free Action

$$S = \frac{1}{2} \langle \eta \Phi, Q \Phi \rangle$$

EOM

$$Q \eta \Phi = 0$$

Gauge transf.

$$\delta \Phi = Q \Lambda + \eta \Omega$$

→ Two generators of gauge transf. : Q & η

- Interacting terms . . . ??

Note that “# of ϕ ” = $(0 | 0)$!

→ We can make a function of ϕ

without ‘picture-changing problems’.

Berkovits' open Superstring Field Theory

Berkovits WZW-“type” Action

$$S = \frac{1}{2} \langle e^{-\Phi} Q e^{\Phi}, e^{-\Phi} \eta e^{\Phi} \rangle + \frac{1}{2} \int_0^1 dt \langle e^{-t\Phi} \partial_t e^{t\Phi}, [[e^{-t\Phi} Q e^{t\Phi}, e^{-t\Phi} \eta e^{t\Phi}]] \rangle$$

$$\text{EOM: } \eta(e^{-\Phi} Q e^{\Phi}) = 0$$

$$\text{Gauge transf.: } e^{-\Phi} \delta e^{\Phi} = Q_G \Lambda + \eta \Omega$$

$$Q_G := Q + \underline{[[e^{-\Phi} (Q e^{\Phi}), \quad]]}$$



A (formal) pure-gauge g is the key.

WZW-like form

- The action takes the WZW-like form

$$S = \int_0^1 dt \langle A_{\partial_t}(t), \underline{Q_{\mathcal{G}(t)}} A_{\eta}(t) \rangle$$

→ The g -shifted BRST operator : $Q_{\mathcal{G}(t)} = Q + [e^{-\phi}(Qe^{\Phi}), \]$

Associated fields : $\partial_{\tau} A_{\eta}(\tau) = \eta\Phi + [\Phi, A_{\eta}(\tau)]$

We can similarly construct the action for closed superstrings.

- In the Berkovits open NS theory, we can take

Z_2 -reversing : $(Q, \eta, \phi) \rightarrow (\eta, Q, -\phi)$

$$S = \int_0^1 dt \langle \tilde{A}_{\partial_t}(t), \underline{Q} \tilde{A}_{\eta}(t) \rangle$$

(B) A_∞/L_∞ -type Formulation

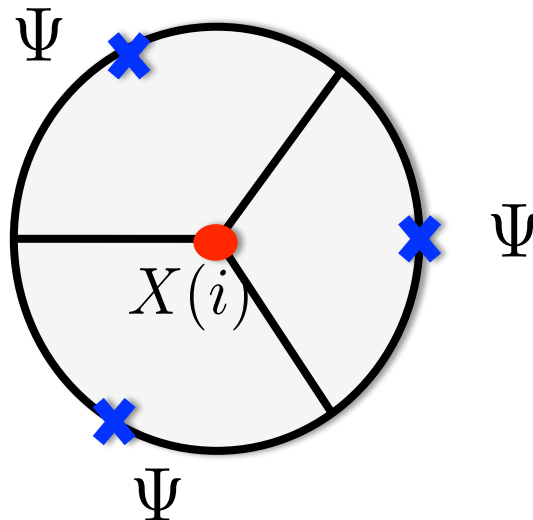
(the small Hilbert space)

Adding the regulators satisfying A_∞/L_∞ -relations.

Recall the Witten's Cubic Action

$$S = \frac{1}{2} \langle \Psi, Q\Psi \rangle + \frac{1}{3} \langle \Psi, X(i)(\Psi * \Psi) \rangle$$

$X(i)$: Picture-Changing Operator (**Singular OPE !!**)

$$\langle \Psi, X(i)(\Psi * \Psi) \rangle =$$


This Product is Associative !!

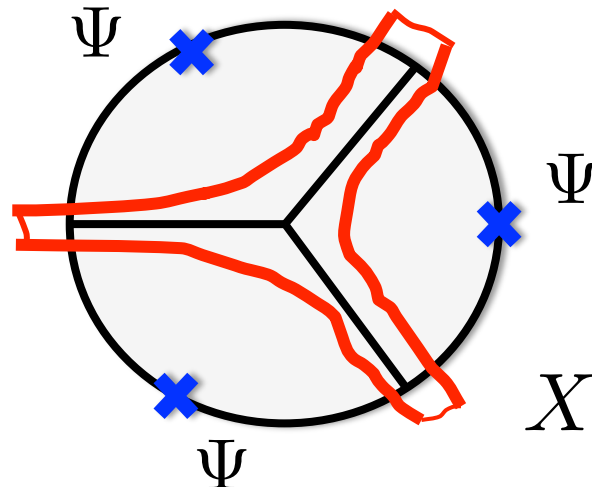
But contact terms become **DIVERGENT !!**

EKS's A_∞ -type NS open theory

Using line integral $X = \int \frac{dz}{2\pi i} f(z) X(z)$, we can define

a new 2-string product M_2 :

$$M_2(\Psi_1, \Psi_2) = \frac{1}{3} \left(X(\Psi_1 * \Psi_2) + (X\Psi_1) * \Psi_2 + \Psi_1 * (X\Psi_2) \right)$$

$$\langle \Psi, M_2(\Psi^2) \rangle =$$


M_2 is non-associative !!

$$M_2(M_2(A, B), C) \neq M_2(A, M_2(B, C))$$

Higher products satisfying A_∞ & η -derivation

Add appropriate 'higher products' as 'the regulator'!!

$$S = \frac{1}{2} \langle \Psi, Q\Psi \rangle + \frac{1}{3} \langle \Psi, M_2(\Psi^2) \rangle + \frac{1}{4} \langle \Psi, M_3(\Psi^3) \rangle + \frac{1}{5} \langle \Psi, M_4(\Psi^4) \rangle + \dots$$

→ Satisfying A_∞/L_∞ -relations :

$$(Q + M_2 + M_3 + \dots)^2 = 0$$

→ Satisfying η -derivation relations :

$$\eta M_n(\phi \dots \phi) = \sum M_n(\phi \dots \eta\phi \dots \phi)$$

- Constructing these products, one can obtain an action.

How to construct $\mathcal{M} = \{ \mathcal{M}_n \}_{n=1}^{\infty}$?

- Let us introduce a **generating function** of the products.

$$\mathcal{M}(\tau) = \sum \tau^n \mathcal{M}_{n+1}$$

- The NS string products are given by **the diff. eq.**

$$\partial_{\tau} \mathcal{M}(\tau) = [\mathcal{M}(\tau), \mu(\tau)]$$

Cyclicity



BPZ odd

$$\mu^{\dagger}(\tau) = - \mu(\tau)$$

where $\mu(\tau) = \sum \tau^n \mu_{n+1}$ is the **EKS's "GAUGE" PRODUCTS**.

So . . . There exist Two Formulations !!

based on the large Hilbert space

WZW-like actions

based on the small Hilbert space

A_∞/L_∞ -type actions

Does they relate to each other... ?

based on the large Hilbert space

WZW-like actions



???

based on the small Hilbert space

A_∞/L_∞ -type actions

We will see that

based on the large Hilbert space

WZW-like actions

Embedding



Partial Gauge Fixing

based on the small Hilbert space

A_∞/L_∞ -type actions

(Ex.) NS closed string field theory

Large-space NS string field

$$V : \text{ghost \#} = 1 , \text{ picture \#} = 0$$

Small-space NS string field

$$\Phi : \text{ghost \#} = 2 , \text{ picture \#} = -1$$

For example . . . Free actions

Large-space Action (NS closed)

$$S_2 = \frac{1}{2} \langle \eta V, QV \rangle$$

- Q-gauge sym.
- η -gauge sym.

Small-space Action (NS closed)

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Partial Gauge Fixing

$$V = \xi \Phi$$

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NS closed 3-point Interaction

Large-space Action (NS closed)

$$S = \frac{1}{2} \langle \eta V, QV \rangle + \frac{\kappa}{3!} \langle \eta V, [QV, V] \rangle$$

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Partial Gauge Fixing (up to $\mathcal{O}(\phi^3)$)

$$V = \xi \Phi + \frac{\kappa}{3!} \xi [\xi \Phi, \Phi] + \mathcal{O}(\kappa^2)$$

Small-space Action (NS closed)

$$S = \frac{1}{2} \langle \xi \Phi, Q\Psi \rangle + \frac{\kappa}{3!} \langle \xi \Phi, [X\Phi, \Phi] \rangle$$

- Q-gauge sym.

NS closed 4-point Interaction

Large-space NS Action

$$S = \frac{1}{2} \langle \eta V, QV \rangle + \frac{\kappa}{3!} \langle \eta V, [QV, V] \rangle + \frac{\kappa^2}{4!} \langle \eta V, [QV, QV, V] + [[QV, V], V] \rangle$$

- Q-gauge sym.
- ~~η -gauge sym.~~

Partial Gauge Fixing (up to $O(\phi^4)$)

$$V = \xi \Phi + \frac{\kappa}{3!} \xi [\xi \Phi, \Phi] + \frac{\kappa^2}{4!} \left(\xi [\xi \Phi, (Q\xi + X)\Phi, \Phi] + \xi [\xi [\Phi, \Phi], \xi \Phi] + \frac{2}{3} \xi [\xi [\xi \Phi, \Phi], \Phi] + \frac{2}{3} [\xi [\xi \Phi, \Phi], \xi \Phi] \right)$$



Small-space NS Action

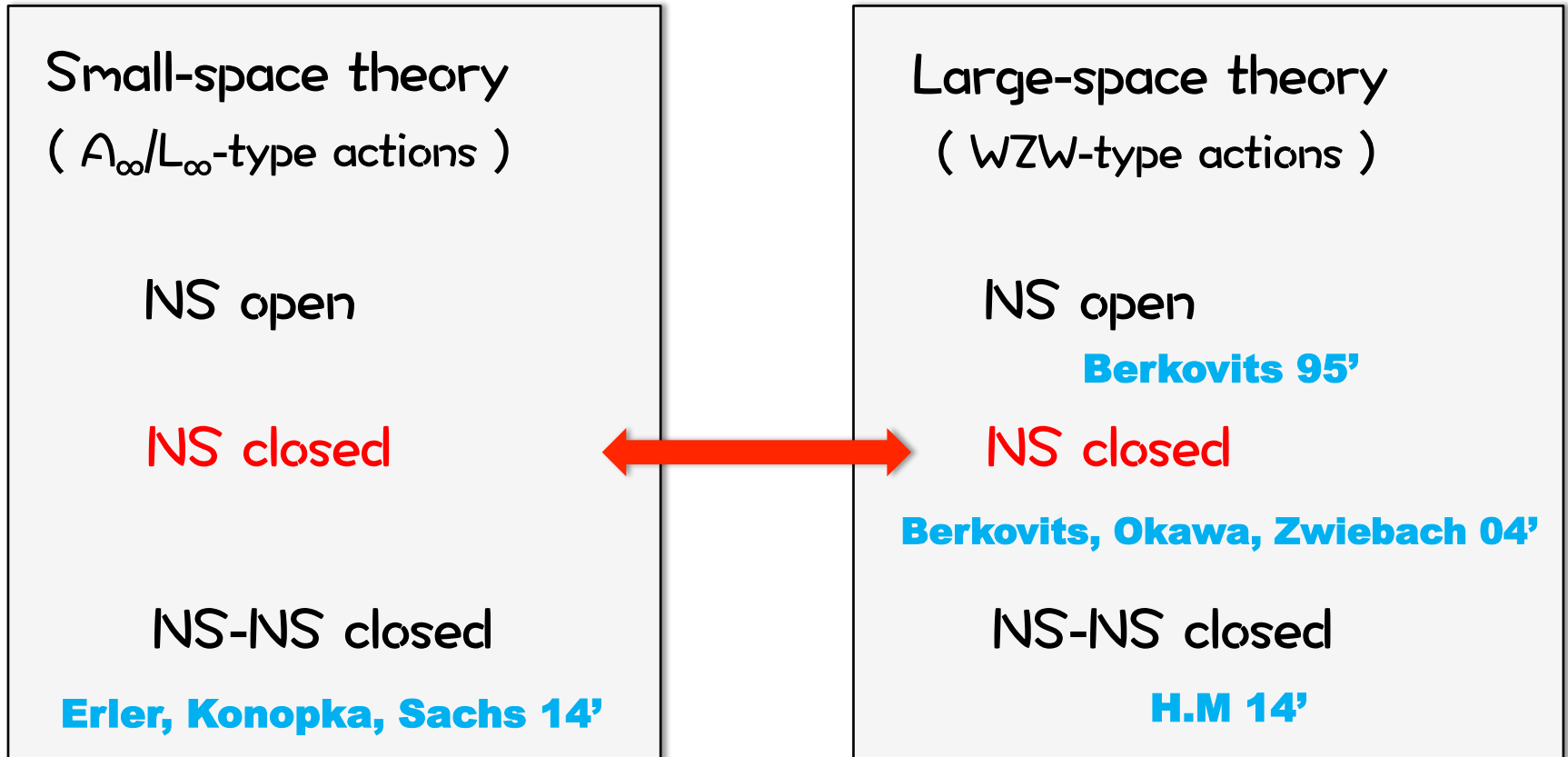
$$S = \frac{1}{2} \langle \xi \Phi, Q\Phi \rangle + \frac{\kappa}{3!} \langle \xi \Phi, [X\Phi, \Phi] \rangle + \frac{\kappa^2}{4!} \langle \xi \Phi L_3(\Phi, \Phi, \Phi) \rangle$$

- Q-gauge sym.

Up to $O(\phi^4)$

Witten's Cubic Theory

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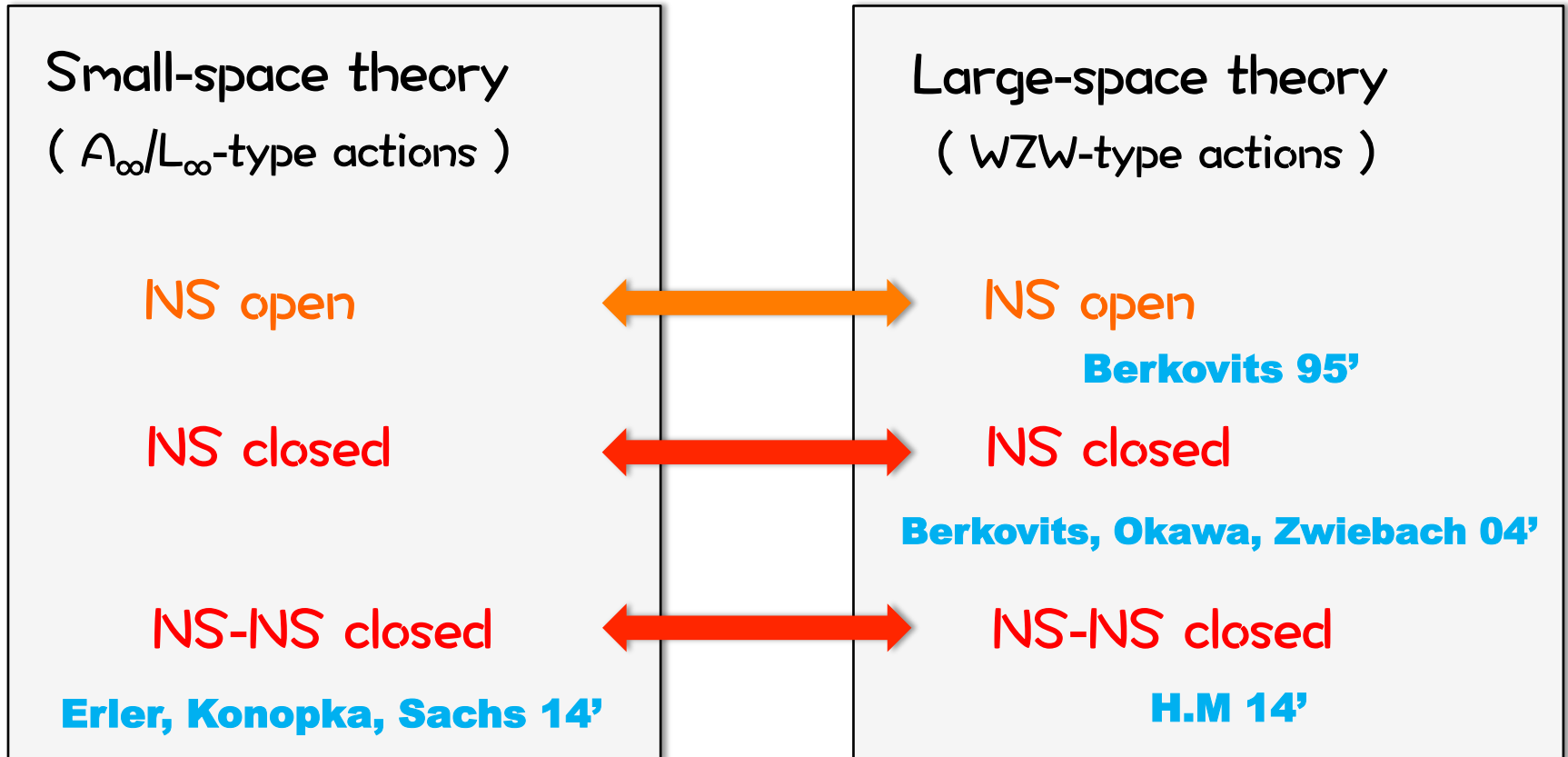
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How to obtain a closed form expression ?

2. Similarity Transformations

- Path-ordered exponential : G , \bar{E}_V
- $L = G Q G^\dagger$ & $Q_g = \bar{E}_V Q \bar{E}_V^\dagger$

Path-ordered exp. $\mathcal{A}[\tau]$ of operators $\mathcal{O}[\tau]$

- We consider a **path-ordered exponential** :

$$\begin{aligned}\mathcal{A}[\tau] &= \overrightarrow{\mathcal{P}} \exp \left(\int_0^\tau d\tau' \mathcal{O}[\tau'] \right) \\ &= \mathbb{1} + \left(\int_0^\tau d\tau_1 \mathcal{O}[\tau_1] \right) + \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \left(\int_0^\tau d\tau_1 \mathcal{O}[\tau_1] \right) \left(\int_0^{\tau_1} d\tau_2 \mathcal{O}[\tau_2] \right) \cdots \left(\int_0^{\tau_{n-1}} d\tau_n \mathcal{O}[\tau_n] \right)\end{aligned}$$

- $\mathcal{A}[\tau]$ is the solution of **diff. eq.** ($\mathcal{A}[0] = 1$)

$$\partial_\tau \mathcal{A}[\tau] = \mathcal{O}[\tau] \cdot \mathcal{A}[\tau]$$

- Reversing the **direction & sign**, we obtain its **inverse** :

$$\begin{aligned}\mathcal{A}^{-1}[\tau] &= \overleftarrow{\mathcal{P}} \exp \left(- \int_0^\tau d\tau' \mathcal{O}[\tau'] \right) \\ &= \mathbb{1} - \int_0^\tau d\tau_1 \mathcal{O}^\dagger[\tau_1] + \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} (-)^n \int_0^\tau d\tau_1 \cdots \int_0^{\tau_{n-1}} d\tau_n \mathcal{O}[\tau_n] \cdots \mathcal{O}[\tau_2] \mathcal{O}[\tau_1].\end{aligned}$$

Path-ordered exp. gives a solution.

- $\mathcal{A}_{[\tau]} = \overrightarrow{\mathcal{P}} \exp \left(\int_0^\tau d\tau' \mathcal{O}_{[\tau']} \right)$ satisfies $\partial_\tau \mathcal{A}_{[\tau]} = \mathcal{O}_{[\tau]} \cdot \mathcal{A}_{[\tau]}$ and
 $\mathcal{A}^{-1}_{[\tau]} = \overleftarrow{\mathcal{P}} \exp \left(- \int_0^\tau d\tau' \mathcal{O}_{[\tau']} \right)$ satisfies $\partial_\tau \mathcal{A}^{-1}_{[\tau]} = -\mathcal{A}^{-1}_{[\tau]} \cdot \mathcal{O}_{[\tau]}$.

- Hence, when the operator $L(\tau)$ satisfies

$$\partial_\tau L(\tau) = [\mathcal{O}(\tau), L(\tau)] \quad \text{with } L(0) = Q,$$

a solution is given by $L(\tau) = \mathcal{A}(\tau) Q \mathcal{A}^{-1}(\tau) !!$

→ Application : NS string products in the small-space.

Recall L_∞ -type and WZW-like actions

- Let us introduce a **generating function** of the products.

Small-space L_∞ -type Action (NS closed)

$$S_{\text{EKS}} = \int_0^1 dt \langle \pi(\xi_t e^{\wedge\Phi(t)}), \pi(\mathbf{L}(e^{\wedge\Phi(t)})) \rangle$$

- $\mathbf{L}[\tau] = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \tau^{n-1} \mathbf{L}_n$: Generating fnc. of the NS products
- $e^{\wedge\Phi} = \text{Id} + \Phi + \frac{1}{2}\Phi \wedge \Phi + \frac{1}{3!}\Phi \wedge \Phi \wedge \Phi + \dots$: Group-like element

→ NS string products are given by **the diff. eq.**

$$\partial_\tau \mathbf{L}[\tau] = \llbracket \mathbf{L}[\tau], \mathbf{\Xi}[\tau] \rrbracket$$

where $\mathbf{\Xi}[\tau] = \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \tau^{n-2} \mathbf{\Xi}_n$

is **EKS gauge products.**

Cyclicity



BPZ odd

$$(\mathbf{\Xi}(\kappa))^\dagger = -\mathbf{\Xi}(\kappa)$$

NS products = Similarity Transformation of Q

$$\text{Solution of the diff. eq. } \partial_\tau \mathbf{L}[\tau] = \left[\mathbf{L}[\tau], \mathbf{\Xi}[\tau] \right]$$

- Consider **path-ordered exp.** obtained from Ξ

$$\mathbf{G} = \overrightarrow{\mathcal{P}} \exp \left(- \int_0^1 d\tau \mathbf{\Xi}[\tau] \right) \quad \mathbf{G}^\dagger[\tau] = \overleftarrow{\mathcal{P}} \exp \left(\int_0^\tau d\tau' \mathbf{\Xi}[\tau'] \right)$$

- Ξ is **BPZ odd** and BPZ conjugate **reverse** $\overrightarrow{\mathcal{P}}$ to $\overleftarrow{\mathcal{P}}$

$$\rightarrow \left[\mathbf{G}^\dagger : \text{BPZ conjugate} \right] = \left[\mathbf{G}^{-1} : \text{Inverse} \right] !!$$

- Since $L(0) = Q$, a solution is given by Similarity Transf.

$$\mathbf{L} = G Q G^{-1}$$

Large space WZW-like action (NS closed)

Recall the shifted bosonic string products:

$$Q_A B = QB + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{\kappa^n}{n!} \overbrace{[A, \dots, A, B]}^n$$

$$[B, C]_A = [B, C] + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{\kappa^n}{n!} \overbrace{[A, \dots, A, B, C]}^n$$

▪ (formal) pure-gauge \mathcal{G} is defined by $\partial_\tau \mathcal{G}[\tau] = Q_{\mathcal{G}[\tau]} V$

▪ Ψ_η, Ψ_t are defined by

$$\partial_\tau \Psi_\eta[\tau] = \eta V + \kappa[V, \Psi_\eta[\tau]]_{\mathcal{G}[\tau]}$$
$$\partial_\tau \Psi_{\partial_t}[\tau] = \partial_t V + \kappa[V, \Psi_{\partial_t}[\tau]]_{\mathcal{G}[\tau]}$$

$$S = \int_0^1 dt \langle \Psi_t, Q_{\mathcal{G}} \Psi_\eta \rangle$$

The g -shifted BRST op. Q_g (NS closed)

- Note that

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{\partial}{\partial \tau} Q_{g[\tau]} A &= [Q_{g[\tau]} V, A]_{g[\tau]} \\ &= [V, Q_{g[\tau]} A]_{g[\tau]} - Q_{g[\tau]} [V, A]_{g[\tau]}\end{aligned}$$

- Using $\widehat{V}(\tau) := [V, \]_{g(\tau)}$, Q_g satisfies

$$\partial_\tau Q_{g(\tau)} = - [Q_{g(\tau)}, \widehat{V}(\tau)] .$$

↑

Commutator

Shifted BRST = Similarity Transformation of Q

- Q_g is also given by Similarity Transformation

$$Q_g = \mathcal{E}_V Q \mathcal{E}_V^{-1}$$

Where \mathcal{E}_V and \mathcal{E}_V^{-1} are given by **path-ordered** exponentials

$$\mathcal{E}_V := \overrightarrow{\mathcal{P}} e^{\int d\kappa \hat{v}(\kappa)} \quad \mathcal{E}_V^{-1} := \overleftarrow{\mathcal{P}} e^{-\int d\kappa \hat{v}(\kappa)}$$

→ \mathcal{E}_V : Invertible map !!

- The following choice gives our WZW-like actions

$$\hat{v}(\kappa) \equiv [V, \quad]_{\mathcal{G}}$$

Similarity Transf. \bar{F} connecting L and Q_g

- Since $L = G Q G^\dagger$ and $Q_g = \bar{E}_V Q \bar{E}_V^\dagger$,

$$\bar{F} = \bar{E}_V G^\dagger \text{ satisfies } \bar{F} L \bar{F}^\dagger = Q_g !$$

3. Equivalence of on-shell conditions

- Similarity transf. gives L_∞ -morphism
- We derive the correspondence of fields
preserving the on-shell condition.

Similarity Transf. connecting L and Q_g

Similarity Transf. is generated by $F := \mathcal{E}_V G^\dagger$

→ Invertible map !!

$$\begin{aligned} F L F^{-1} &= \underline{(\mathcal{E}_V G^\dagger)} G Q G^\dagger \underline{(G \mathcal{E}_V^\dagger)} \\ &= \mathcal{E}_V Q \mathcal{E}_V^\dagger \\ &= Q_g. \end{aligned}$$

- L and Q_g are connected by \bar{F} : $F L = Q_g F$

→ \bar{F} is a L_∞ -morphism

Equivalence of two on-shell conditions

Small-space EOM	Large-space EOM
$\mathbf{L}(e^{\wedge\Phi}) = 0$	$Q_{\mathcal{G}} \Psi_{\eta} = 0$

The correspondence (or Field redefinition)

$$\pi(F(e^{\wedge\Phi})) = \Psi_{\eta}$$

provides the equivalence of two EOMs :

$$\begin{aligned}\pi(F \mathbf{L}(e^{\wedge\Phi})) &= \pi(Q_{\mathcal{G}} F(e^{\wedge\Phi})) \\ &= Q_{\mathcal{G}} \Psi_{\eta}.\end{aligned}$$

The correspondence of fields

- Using \bar{E}_V , associated string fields can be represented as

$$\Psi_{\mathbb{X}} = \mathcal{E}_V \int_0^1 d\tau \mathcal{E}_{V^\dagger[\tau]}(\mathbb{X}V)$$

- Therefore, $\pi(F(e^{\wedge\Phi})) = \Psi_\eta$ is equivalent to

$$\pi(\mathbf{G}^\dagger(e^{\wedge\Phi})) = \int_0^1 d\tau \mathcal{E}_{V^\dagger[\tau]}(\eta V)$$

function of $\phi, \xi\phi$

function of $\eta V, V$

How about Actions ?

L_∞ -type Action

$$S_{\text{EKS}} = \frac{1}{2} \langle \xi \Phi, Q \Phi \rangle + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{\kappa^n}{(n+2)!} \langle \xi \Phi, L_{n+1}(\overbrace{\Phi, \dots, \Phi}^{n+1}) \rangle$$

$$= \int_0^1 dt \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \left(\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{\kappa^n}{(n+2)!} \langle \xi \Phi(t), L_{n+1}(\overbrace{\Phi(t), \dots, \Phi(t)}^{n+1}) \rangle \right)$$

$\Phi(t) = t \phi$

$$= \int_0^1 dt \langle \xi \partial_t \Phi(t), \mathcal{F}_{\Phi(t)} \rangle$$

E.O.M.

Thus, the action becomes

$$\mathcal{F}_{\Phi(t)} := Q \Phi(t) + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{\kappa^n}{(n+1)!} L_{n+1}(\overbrace{\Phi(t), \dots, \Phi(t)}^{n+1})$$

$$S_{\text{EKS}} = \int_0^1 dt \langle \pi(\xi_t e^{\wedge \Phi(t)}), \pi(\mathbf{L}(e^{\wedge \Phi(t)})) \rangle$$

$$= \int_0^1 dt \langle \pi(\xi_t e^{\wedge \Phi(t)}), \pi(\mathbf{G} \mathbf{Q} \mathbf{G}^{-1}(e^{\wedge \Phi(t)})) \rangle$$

$$= \int_0^1 dt \langle \pi(\mathbf{G}^{-1}(\xi_t e^{\wedge \Phi(t)})), \mathbf{Q} \pi(\mathbf{G}^{-1}(e^{\wedge \Phi(t)})) \rangle$$

How about Actions ?

WZW-like Action

$$S_{\text{WZW}} = \int_0^1 dt \langle \Psi_{\partial_t}(t), Q_{\mathcal{G}(t)} \Psi_{\eta}(t) \rangle$$

$$= \int_0^1 dt \langle \Psi_{\partial_t}(t), (\mathcal{E}_{V(t)} Q \mathcal{E}_{V(t)}^\dagger) \Psi_{\eta}(t) \rangle$$

Since $\Psi_{\mathbb{X}} = \mathcal{E}_V \int_0^1 d\tau \mathcal{E}_{V^\dagger[\tau]}(\mathbb{X}V)$, the action is given by

$$S_{\text{WZW}} = \int_0^1 dt \langle \underbrace{\int_0^1 d\tau \mathcal{E}_{V(t)^\dagger[\tau]}(\partial_t V(t))}_{\text{orange}}, Q \underbrace{\int_0^1 d\tau \mathcal{E}_{V(t)^\dagger[\tau]}(\eta V(t))}_{\text{blue}} \rangle$$

$$\int_0^1 d\tau \mathcal{E}_{V(t)^\dagger[\tau]}(XV(t)) \equiv \pi(\mathbf{G}^{-1}(\xi_X e^{\wedge\Phi(t)}))$$

$$(\mathbb{X} = \partial_t, \delta)$$

$$S_{\text{EKS}} = \int_0^1 dt \langle \underbrace{\pi(\mathbf{G}^{-1}(\xi_t e^{\wedge\Phi(t)}))}_{\text{orange}}, Q \underbrace{\pi(\mathbf{G}^{-1}(e^{\wedge\Phi(t)}))}_{\text{blue}} \rangle$$

The correspondence
preserving E.O.M.

To preserve the action, ϕ & V must satisfy . . .

The correspondence (or Field redefinition)

$$\pi G^{-1} (e^{\wedge\Phi(t)}) \equiv \int_0^1 d\tau \mathcal{E}_{V(t)^\dagger[\tau]} (\eta V(t))$$

$$\pi G^{-1} (\xi_X e^{\wedge\Phi(t)}) \equiv \int_0^1 d\tau \mathcal{E}_{V(t)^\dagger[\tau]} (XV(t))$$

provides the equivalence of two Actions :

L_∞ -type Action

$$S = \int_0^1 dt \langle \xi\Phi, \mathbf{L}(e^{\wedge t\Phi}) \rangle$$

$$\mathbf{f}^{-1} \mathbf{f} = 1$$



WZW-like Action

$$S = \int_0^1 dt \langle \Psi_t, Q_G \Psi_\eta \rangle$$

→ It is nontrivial whether a solution exists. But . . .

(We will discuss later . . .)

At least, perturbatively, we can seek a solution

We set $V = \sum_n \kappa^n V^{(n)}$ and impose $\xi V = 0$.

In the actions, we solve

$$\pi G^{-1}(e^{\wedge\Phi(t)}) \equiv \int_0^1 d\tau \mathcal{E}_{V(t)^\dagger[\tau]}(\eta V(t))$$

Then, we obtain the partial gauge fixing condition

$$V = \xi\Phi + \frac{\kappa}{3!}\xi[\xi\Phi, \Phi] + \frac{\kappa^2}{4!}\left(\xi[\xi\Phi, (Q\xi + X)\Phi, \Phi] + \xi[\xi[\Phi, \Phi], \xi\Phi] + \frac{2}{3}\xi[\xi[\xi\Phi, \Phi], \Phi] + \frac{2}{3}[\xi[\xi\Phi, \Phi], \xi\Phi]\right) + \dots$$

Summary & Discussion

NS & NS-NS sector of SFT

- String products of two formulations are given by

Similarity Transformations of Q .

$$\rightarrow \bar{F} L = Q_g \bar{F}$$

- \bar{F} preserves the space of solutions of E.O.M.

→ This \bar{F} induces the field redefinition :

$$\pi(\mathbf{G}^\dagger(e^{\wedge\Phi})) = \int_0^1 d\tau \mathcal{E}_{V^\dagger[\tau]}(\eta V)$$

➡ Equivalence of two on-shell conditions

Summary & Discussion

NS & NS-NS sector of SFT

- Both actions can be represented by free-like forms:

$$S_{\text{EKS}} = \int_0^1 dt \langle \pi(\mathbf{G}^{-1}(\xi_t e^{\wedge\Phi(t)})), Q \pi(\mathbf{G}^{-1}(e^{\wedge\Phi(t)})) \rangle$$

$$S_{\text{WZW}} = \int_0^1 dt \langle \int_0^1 d\tau \mathcal{E}_{V(t)^\dagger[\tau]}(\partial_t V(t)), Q \int_0^1 d\tau \mathcal{E}_{V(t)^\dagger[\tau]}(\eta V(t)) \rangle$$

- To obtain the equivalence of two actions, we have to

find a solution of $\pi \mathbf{G}^{-1}(e^{\wedge\Phi(t)}) \equiv \int_0^1 d\tau \mathcal{E}_{V(t)^\dagger[\tau]}(\eta V(t))$

$$\pi \mathbf{G}^{-1}(\xi_X e^{\wedge\Phi(t)}) \equiv \int_0^1 d\tau \mathcal{E}_{V(t)^\dagger[\tau]}(XV(t))$$

→ Then, partial gauge fixing conditions will appear.

Discussion

- In Berkovits theory, WZW-like action is given

$$S = \int_0^1 dt \langle A_{\partial_t}(t), Q_{\mathcal{G}(t)} A_{\eta}(t) \rangle \quad Q_{\mathcal{G}(t)} = Q + [e^{-\phi}(Qe^{\Phi}),]$$

By Z_2 -reversing : $(Q, \eta, \phi) \rightarrow (\eta, Q, -\phi)$,

$$S = \int_0^1 dt \langle \tilde{A}_{\partial_t}(t), Q \tilde{A}_{\eta}(t) \rangle$$

- Then, we can obtain a direct correspondences of

Z_2 -reversed A_{η} , A_{∂} and redefined fields

$$A_{\eta} = \pi G^{\dagger} [1/(1-\phi)] , \quad A_{\partial} = \pi G^{\dagger} \xi_t [1/(1-\phi)] .$$

Discussion

- And we can directly check that

$$A_\eta = \pi G^\dagger [1/(1-\phi)] \quad \& \quad A_{\partial_t} = \pi G^\dagger \xi_t [1/(1-\phi)]$$

satisfy the relation : $\eta A_{\partial_t} + \partial_t A_\eta + [A_\eta, A_{\partial_t}] = 0$.

- Then, without checking the defining eq. of asso. fields

$$\partial_\tau A_\eta(\tau) = \eta \Phi + [\Phi, A_\eta(\tau)]$$

we obtain the equivalence of actions.

Discussion

When we can't use Z_2 -reversing, to obtain the equivalence,

A) Check $\partial_\tau A_\eta(\tau) = \eta\Phi + [\Phi, A_\eta(\tau)]$ in terms of redefined field.

B) Check l.h.s. & r.h.s. have the same algebraic properties.

(It may not be WZW-relations)

$$\pi G^{-1}(e^{\wedge\Phi(t)}) \equiv \int_0^1 d\tau \mathcal{E}_{V(t)^\dagger[\tau]}(\eta V(t))$$
$$\pi G^{-1}(\xi_X e^{\wedge\Phi(t)}) \equiv \int_0^1 d\tau \mathcal{E}_{V(t)^\dagger[\tau]}(XV(t))$$

In the action, it is OK. But, as a state, it is not clear.

Thank you.

Appendix : Mathematics

Construction of a cyclic A_∞/L_∞ -morphism

- Let $(S(H), L, \omega)$ and $(S(H)', L', \omega')$ be cyclic L_∞ -algebras.

L_∞ -morphism : A morphism of coalgebra $f : S(H) \rightarrow S(H)'$
satisfying $f L = L' f$.

Cyclic L_∞ -morphism : L_∞ -morphism f satisfying

$$\omega(A, B) = \omega'(f_1(A), f_1(B)) \text{ and}$$

$$\sum \omega'(f_j(A_1, \dots, A_j), f_k(B_1, \dots, B_k)) = 0 .$$

→ f preserve **the Equation of Motion !!**

Consider two EOMs

A_∞/L_∞ -type EOM

$$(Q + L_2 + L_3 + \dots) e^{\wedge\phi} = 0$$



$$L e^{\wedge\phi} = 0$$

- L_∞ -algebra -

$$(Q + L_2 + L_3 + \dots)^2 = 0$$

WZW-type EOM

$$Q_g \psi_\eta = 0$$

- Trivial L_∞ -algebra -

$$(Q_g + 0 + \dots)^2 = 0$$



Find a isomorphism satisfying

$$f L = Q_g f \quad .$$