

# On excited states in real-time AdS/CFT



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# Motivation

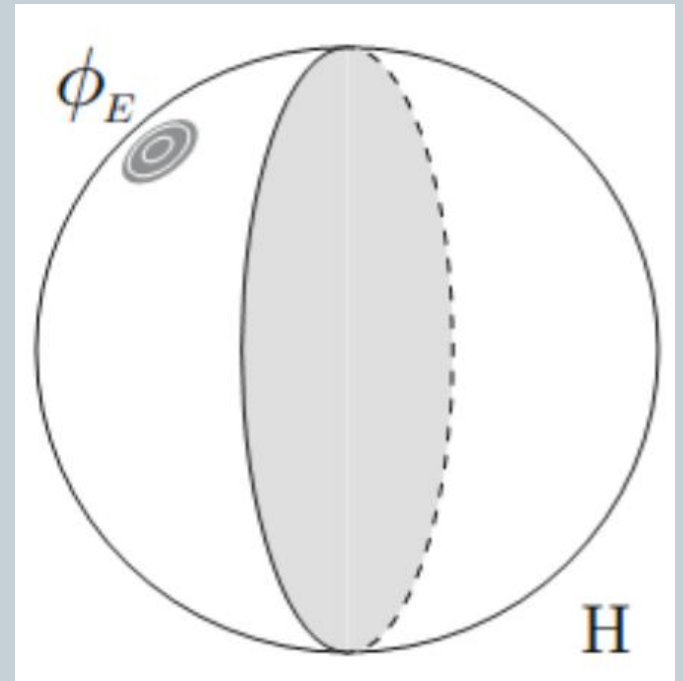


- GKPW is an Euclidean prescription to calculate n-point functions of CFT local operators through calculations in the dual bulk theory.

$$\langle 0 | e^{\int_{\partial H} \mathcal{O} \phi_E} | 0 \rangle \equiv \int \mathcal{D}\Phi_{[\Phi|_{\partial H} = \phi_E]} e^{-S_E[\Phi]}$$

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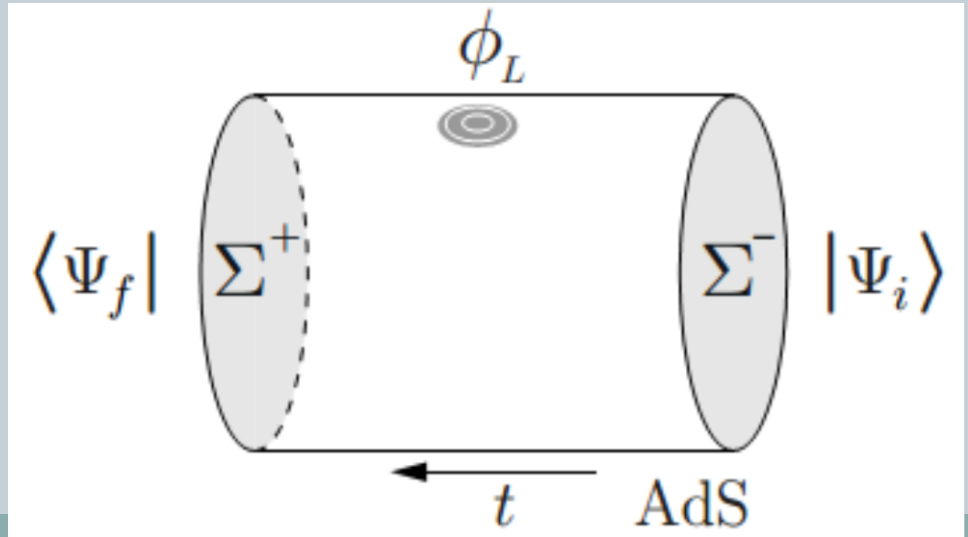


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- The Skenderis and van Rees prescription is a real-time extension of the GKPW prescription.
  - However, in Lorentzian signature, initial and final conditions are required in order to have a well defined problem.
  - These conditions should be related to the initial and final states, but so far no explicit interpretation in the dual CFT has been given.

$$\phi_{\Sigma^\pm} \xrightarrow{?} |\Psi_{i/f}\rangle$$

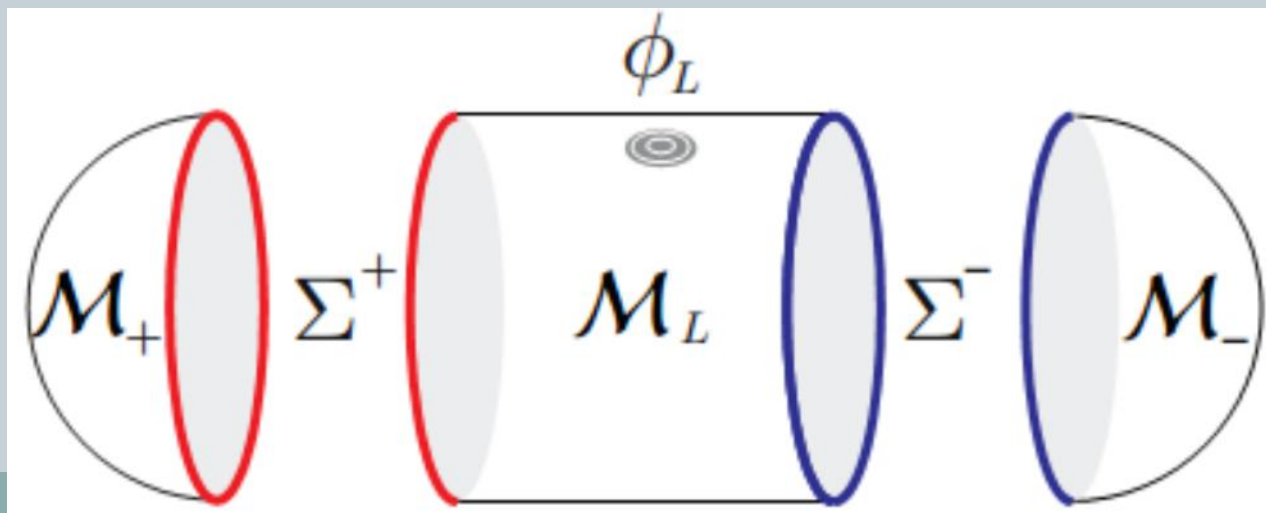


# Motivation



- The Skenderis and van Rees prescription is a real time extension of the GKPW prescription.
  - The authors demonstrated that one can obtain time ordered n-point functions in the vacuum operator by gluing Lorentzian and Euclidean regions, with Dirichlet boundary conditions.

$$\langle 0|T[e^{-i\int_{\partial_r\mathcal{M}_L}\mathcal{O}\phi_L}]|0\rangle \equiv e^{-S_-^0[0;\phi_{\Sigma^-}]+iS_L^0[\phi_L;\phi_{\Sigma^-},\phi_{\Sigma^+}]-S_+^0[0;\phi_{\Sigma^+}]}$$

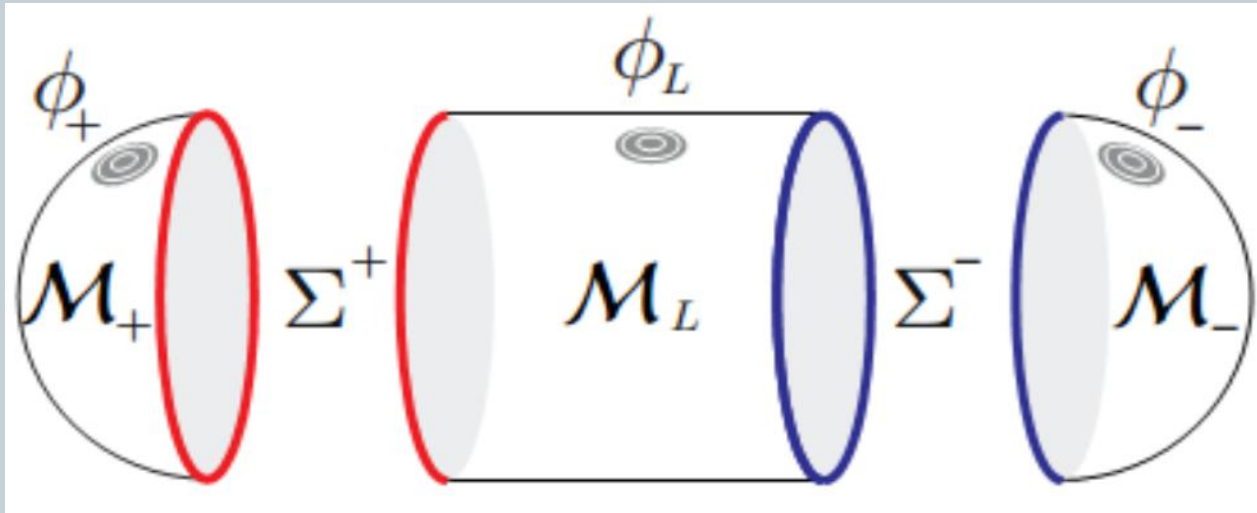


# Motivation



- The natural thing to do next is to turn on sources  $\phi^\pm$  on  $\mathcal{M}_\pm$  and see whether we reach excited states and precisely which states are we describing.

$$\langle \phi_+ | T[e^{-i \int_{\partial_r \mathcal{M}_L} \mathcal{O} \phi_L}] | \phi_- \rangle \equiv e^{-S_-^0[\phi_-; \phi_{\Sigma^-}] + i S_L^0[\phi_L; \phi_{\Sigma^-}, \phi_{\Sigma^+}] - S_+^0[\phi_+; \phi_{\Sigma^+}]}$$



# ¿Excited States?



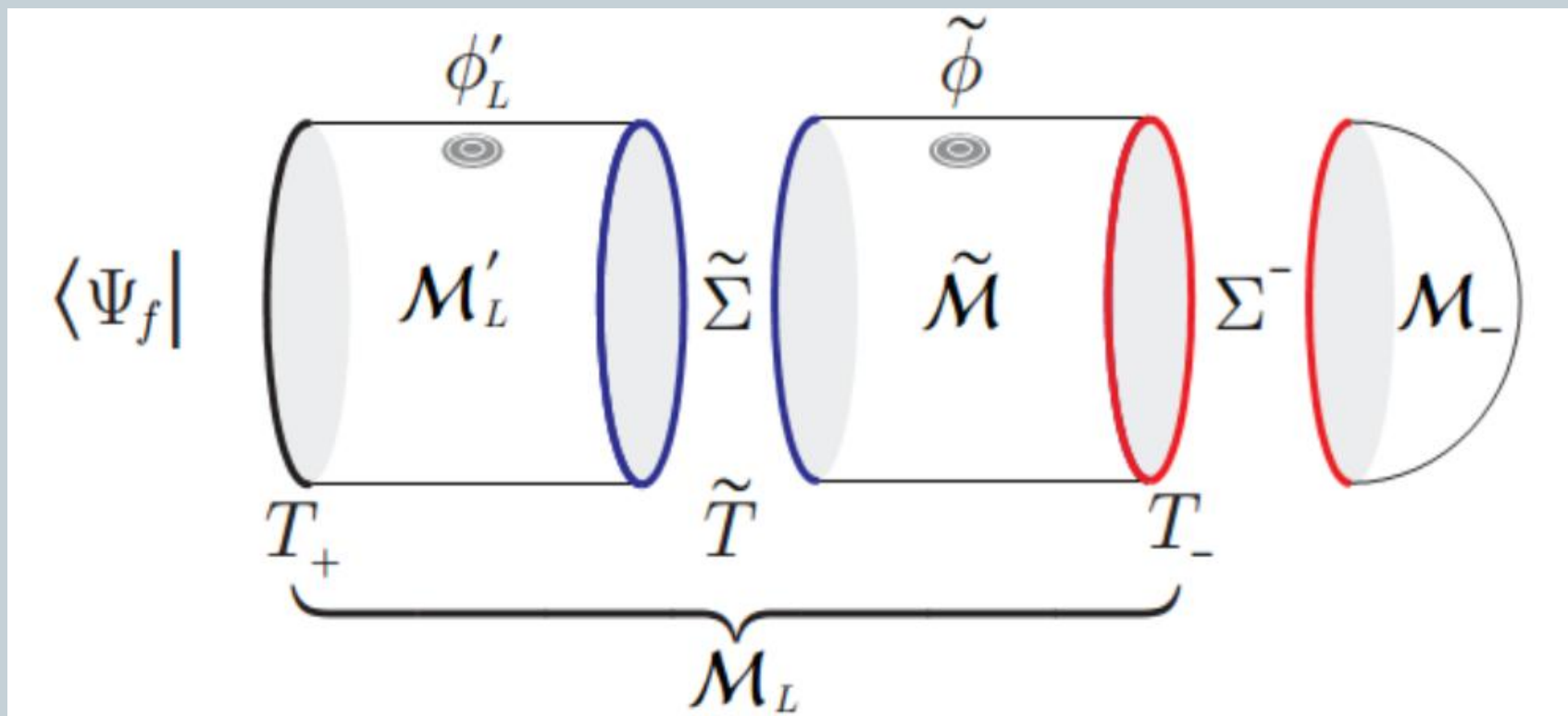
- But before studying a concrete example, can we say something general about these states?

It turns out we can!

# Excited States



- In order to unravel the nature of the states  $|\phi_{\pm}\rangle$  one can consider the following set-up:





# WARNING! FORMALISM AHEAD!



- Even if SvR stated their prescription as

$$\langle 0 | T [ e^{-i \int_{\partial_r \mathcal{M}_L} \mathcal{O} \phi_L} ] | 0 \rangle \equiv e^{-S_-^0 [0; \phi_{\Sigma^-}] + i S_L^0 [\phi_L; \phi_{\Sigma^-}, \phi_{\Sigma^+}] - S_+^0 [0; \phi_{\Sigma^+}]}$$

one can safely assume (and they hint towards it) that it comes from a saddle point approximation of

$$\begin{aligned} \langle 0 | T [ e^{-i \int_{\partial_r \mathcal{M}_L} \mathcal{O} \phi_L} ] | 0 \rangle &\equiv \langle \Psi^0 | \mathcal{U}[T_-, T_+]_{\phi_L} | \Psi^0 \rangle \\ &= \sum_{\phi_{\Sigma^\pm}} (\Psi_0[\phi_{\Sigma^+}])^* \mathcal{Z}[\phi_L; \phi_{\Sigma^-}, \phi_{\Sigma^+}] \Psi_0[\phi_{\Sigma^-}] \end{aligned}$$

Where the Lorentzian part is by definition

$$\mathcal{Z}[\phi_L; \phi_{\Sigma^-}, \phi_{\Sigma^+}] \equiv \int_{\phi_{\Sigma^-}}^{\phi_{\Sigma^+}} [\mathcal{D}\Phi]_{\phi_L} e^{i S_L[\Phi]}$$

and one should recall that Hartle & Hawking taught us that

$$\Psi^0[\phi_{\Sigma^-}] \equiv \int_0^{\phi_{\Sigma^-}} [\mathcal{D}\Phi]_0 e^{-S_-[\Phi]}$$

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The relevant part of this is that one can rewrite SvR as

$$\begin{aligned} \langle 0 | T [ e^{-i \int_{\partial_r \mathcal{M}_L} \mathcal{O} \phi_L} ] | 0 \rangle &\equiv \sum_{\phi_{\Sigma^\pm}} (\Psi_0[\phi_{\Sigma^+}])^* \mathcal{Z}[\phi_L; \phi_{\Sigma^-}, \phi_{\Sigma^+}] \Psi_0[\phi_{\Sigma^-}] \\ &= \sum_{\phi_{\Sigma^\pm}} \left( \int_{\phi_{\Sigma^+}}^0 [\mathcal{D}\Phi]_0 e^{-S_+[\Phi]} \right) \left( \int_{\phi_{\Sigma^-}}^{\phi_{\Sigma^+}} [\mathcal{D}\Phi]_{\phi_L} e^{iS_L[\Phi]} \right) \left( \int_0^{\phi_{\Sigma^-}} [\mathcal{D}\Phi]_0 e^{-S_-[\Phi]} \right) \end{aligned}$$

and that for a arbitrary final state

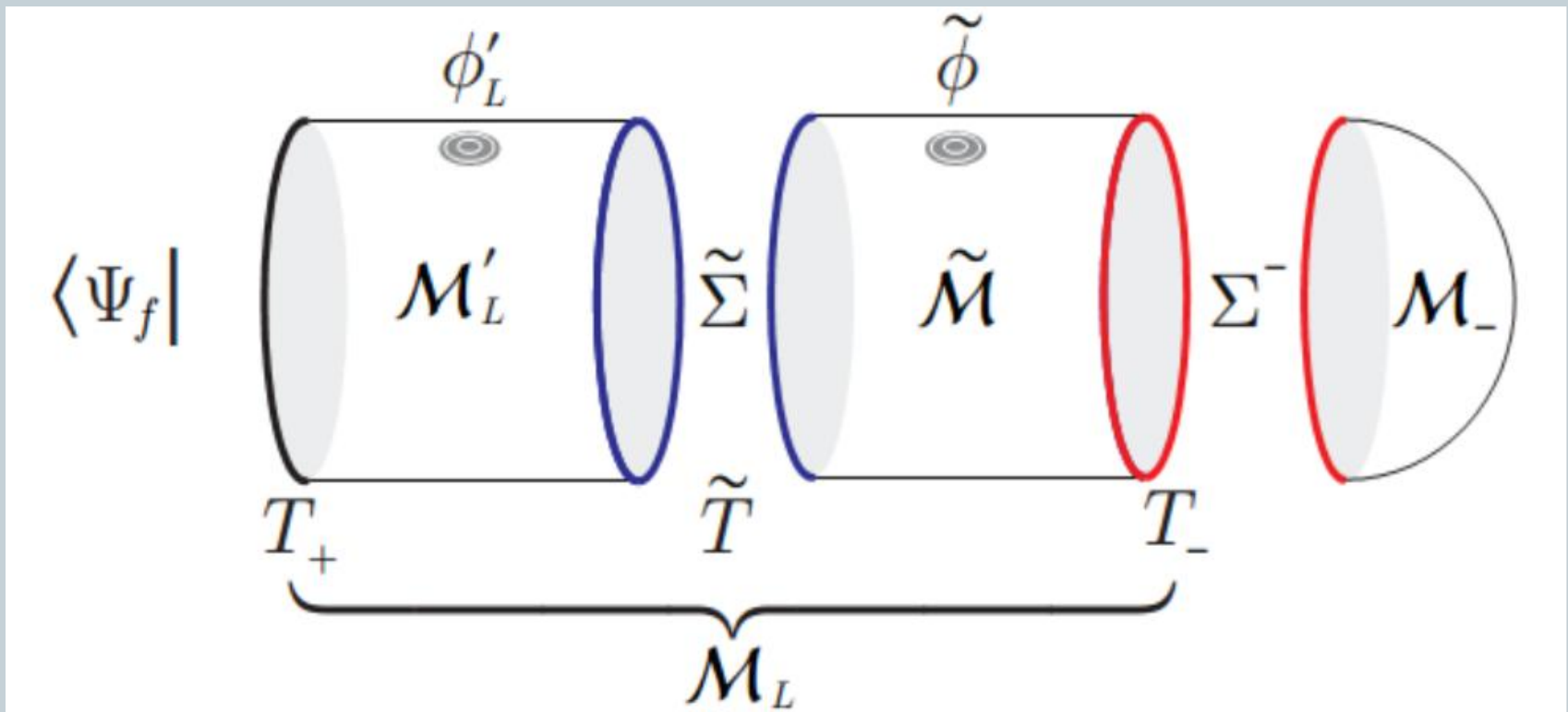
$$\begin{aligned} \langle \Psi_f | T [ e^{-i \int_{\partial_r \mathcal{M}_L} \mathcal{O} \phi_L} ] | 0 \rangle &\equiv \sum_{\phi_{\Sigma^\pm}} (\Psi_f[\phi_{\Sigma^+}])^* \left( \int_{\phi_{\Sigma^-}}^{\phi_{\Sigma^+}} [\mathcal{D}\Phi]_{\phi_L} e^{iS_L[\Phi]} \right) \times \\ &\quad \times \left( \int_0^{\phi_{\Sigma^-}} [\mathcal{D}\Phi]_0 e^{-S_-[\Phi]} \right) \end{aligned}$$

which we will use in the following argument.

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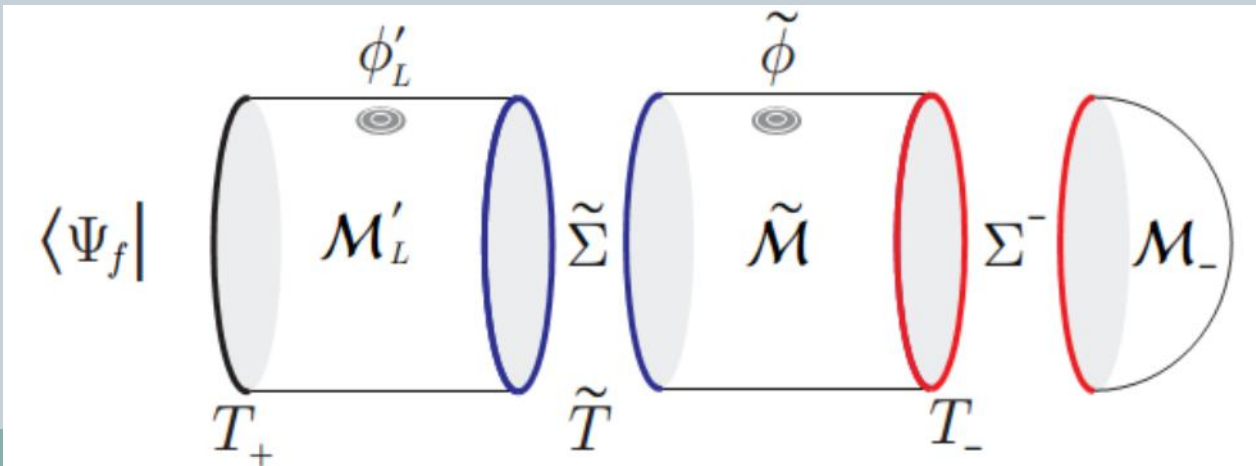


- We will Wick-rotate  $\tilde{\mathcal{M}}$  such that

$$\langle \Psi_f | T [ e^{-i \int_{\partial_r \mathcal{M}'_L} \mathcal{O} \phi'_L} e^{-i \int_{\partial_r \tilde{\mathcal{M}}} \mathcal{O} \tilde{\phi}} ] | 0 \rangle \implies \langle \Psi_f | T [ e^{-i \int_{\partial_r \mathcal{M}'_L} \mathcal{O} \phi'_L} ] ( e^{-\int_{\partial_r \tilde{\mathcal{M}}} \mathcal{O} \tilde{\phi}} | 0 \rangle )$$

and

$$\sum_{\phi_{\tilde{\Sigma}}, \phi_{\Sigma^\pm}} (\Psi_f[\phi_{\Sigma^+}])^* \left( \int_{\phi_{\tilde{\Sigma}}}^{\phi_{\Sigma^+}} [\mathcal{D}\Phi]_{\phi'_L} e^{iS_L[\Phi]} \right) \underbrace{\left( \int_{\phi_{\Sigma^-}}^{\phi_{\tilde{\Sigma}}} [\mathcal{D}\Phi]_{\tilde{\phi}} e^{i\tilde{S}[\Phi]} \right) \left( \int_0^{\phi_{\Sigma^-}} [\mathcal{D}\Phi]_0 e^{-S_-[\Phi]} \right)}_{\left( \int_0^{\phi_{\tilde{\Sigma}}} [\mathcal{D}\Phi]_{\{0, \tilde{\phi}\}} e^{-S_{\mathcal{M}_- \cup \tilde{\mathcal{M}}}[\Phi]} \right)}$$



# Excited States



- The last step is to squeeze the remaining Lorentzian part  $\mathcal{M}'_L$  such that

$$\langle \Psi_f | T[e^{-i \int_{\partial_r \mathcal{M}'_L} \mathcal{O} \phi'_L}] (e^{-\int_{\partial_r \tilde{\mathcal{M}}} \mathcal{O} \tilde{\phi}} |0\rangle) =$$

$$\sum_{\phi_{\tilde{\Sigma}}, \phi_{\Sigma+}} (\Psi_f[\phi_{\Sigma+}])^* \left( \int_{\phi_{\tilde{\Sigma}}}^{\phi_{\Sigma+}} [\mathcal{D}\Phi]_{\phi'_L} e^{iS_L[\Phi]} \right) \left( \int_0^{\phi_{\tilde{\Sigma}}} [\mathcal{D}\Phi]_{0, \tilde{\phi}} e^{-S_{\mathcal{M}_- \cup \tilde{\mathcal{M}}}[\Phi]} \right)$$

becomes

$$\langle \Psi_f | (e^{-\int_{\partial_r \tilde{\mathcal{M}}} \mathcal{O} \tilde{\phi}} |0\rangle) = \sum_{\phi_{\Sigma+}} (\Psi_f[\phi_{\Sigma+}])^* \left( \int_0^{\phi_{\Sigma+}} [\mathcal{D}\Phi]_{0, \tilde{\phi}} e^{-S_{\mathcal{M}_- \cup \tilde{\mathcal{M}}}[\Phi]} \right)$$

but if  $\langle \Psi_f |$  is indeed arbitrary then we have shown that

$$|\Psi^{\phi_-}\rangle \equiv e^{-\int_{\mathcal{S}_-} \mathcal{O} \phi_-} |0\rangle$$

# Excited States

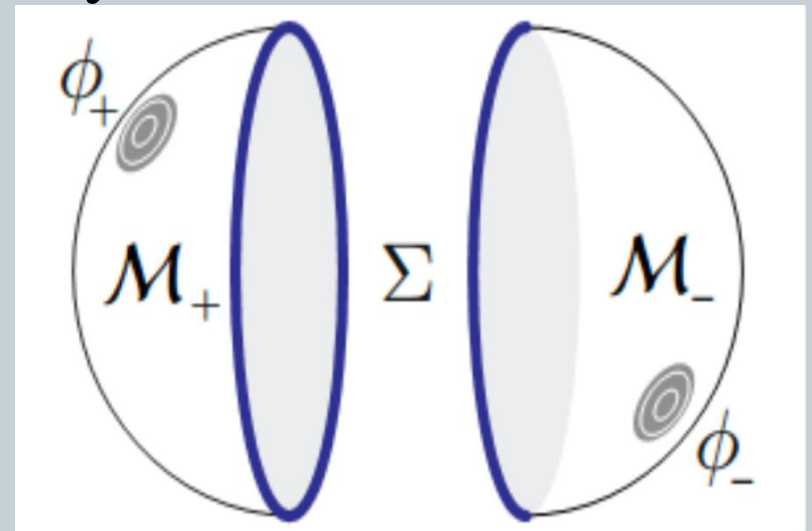


- Having obtained the previous result, one can (out of pure boredom) try to calculate the inner product between them...
- But hold your horses because it turns out that the GKPW prescription has already done that for us!

$$\begin{aligned}\langle \Psi^{\phi_+} | \Psi^{\phi_-} \rangle &= e^{-S_E^0[\phi_+, \phi_-]} \\ &= e^{-\int_{S^d} dx \int_{S^d} dy \phi(x) G(x, y) \phi(y)}\end{aligned}$$

where

$$\phi(x) = \begin{cases} \phi_-(x) & \text{if } x \in \mathcal{M}_- \\ \phi_+(x) & \text{if } x \in \mathcal{M}_+ \end{cases}$$



# Excited States



- It is easy to see that  $\langle \Psi^{\phi_-} | \Psi^{\phi_-} \rangle \neq 1$ . Normalizing the states yields the result

$$\langle \Psi_{\mathcal{N}}^{\phi_+} | \Psi_{\mathcal{N}}^{\phi_-} \rangle = e^{-|\phi_- - \phi_+^*|^2}$$

where the always positive product ( $G < 0$ )

$$(\phi_1, \phi_2) \equiv \int_{-\infty}^0 d\tau \int_{\infty}^0 d\tau' \phi_1(\tau) G(\tau, \tau') \phi_2^*(\tau')$$

and  $\phi^*(\tau, x) \equiv \phi(-\tau, x)$  have been defined.

- Does it ring any bells...? Not yet...?

# Excited States



- Let's see if there's some other prescription we can compare to...



# Excited States



- The BDHM prescription states that the quantum CFT operator IS the canonically quantized AdS field

$$\hat{\mathcal{O}}(t, \Omega) \equiv \lim_{r \rightarrow \infty} r^\Delta \hat{\Phi}(t, r, \Omega) = \sum_k \hat{a}_k^\dagger F_k^*(t, \Omega) + \hat{a}_k F_k(t, \Omega)$$

- If both prescription are consistent, then

$$|\Psi_{\mathcal{N}}^{\phi_-}\rangle \propto e^{-\int_{\mathcal{S}_-} \mathcal{O} \phi_-} |0\rangle \propto e^{\sum_k \lambda_k^- a_k^\dagger} |0\rangle$$

$$\lambda_k^- = - \int_{\partial_r \mathcal{M}_-} d\tau d\Omega F_k^*(-i\tau, \Omega) \phi_-(\tau, \Omega)$$

# Excited States



- Before moving on to the concrete example, let's write down some results for these states to see where we are aiming at

$$\langle \Psi_{\mathcal{N}}^{\phi_+} | \Psi_{\mathcal{N}}^{\phi_-} \rangle = e^{-|\phi_- - \phi_+^*|^2}$$

$$\frac{\langle \Psi^{\phi_+} | \mathcal{O}(t, \Omega) | \Psi^{\phi_-} \rangle}{\langle \Psi^{\phi_+} | \Psi^{\phi_-} \rangle} = \sum_k (\lambda_k^+)^* F_k^*(t, \Omega) + \lambda_k^- F_k(t, \Omega)$$

$$\left. \frac{\langle \Psi^{\phi_+} | T[\mathcal{O}(t, \varphi) \mathcal{O}(t', \varphi')] | \Psi^{\phi_-} \rangle}{\langle \Psi^{\phi_+} | \Psi^{\phi_-} \rangle} \right|_c = C_\Delta \left( \cos((t - t')(1 - i\epsilon)) - \cos(\varphi - \varphi') \right)^{-\Delta}$$

- Further connected n-point functions are null. Feel free to ask why, since it may not be trivial.

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- Connected n-point functions in general have multiple terms, take for example n=2

$$\left. \frac{\langle \Psi^{\phi+} | T[\mathcal{O}(t, \varphi) \mathcal{O}(t', \varphi')] | \Psi^{\phi-} \rangle}{\langle \Psi^{\phi+} | \Psi^{\phi-} \rangle} \right|_c \equiv \frac{\langle \Psi^{\phi+} | T[\mathcal{O}(t, \varphi) \mathcal{O}(t', \varphi')] | \Psi^{\phi-} \rangle}{\langle \Psi^{\phi+} | \Psi^{\phi-} \rangle} - \frac{\langle \Psi^{\phi+} | \mathcal{O}(t, \varphi) | \Psi^{\phi-} \rangle}{\langle \Psi^{\phi+} | \Psi^{\phi-} \rangle} \frac{\langle \Psi^{\phi+} | \mathcal{O}(t', \varphi') | \Psi^{\phi-} \rangle}{\langle \Psi^{\phi+} | \Psi^{\phi-} \rangle}$$

- One can show (won't do it now, don't insist) that for coherent states

$$\left. \frac{\langle \Psi^{\phi+} | T[\mathcal{O}(t, \varphi) \mathcal{O}(t', \varphi')] | \Psi^{\phi-} \rangle}{\langle \Psi^{\phi+} | \Psi^{\phi-} \rangle} \right|_c = \frac{\langle \Psi^{\phi+} | \Psi^{\phi-} \rangle \langle 0 | T[\mathcal{O}(t, \varphi) \mathcal{O}(t', \varphi')] | 0 \rangle}{\langle \Psi^{\phi+} | \Psi^{\phi-} \rangle} = \langle 0 | T[\mathcal{O}(t, \varphi) \mathcal{O}(t', \varphi')] | 0 \rangle$$

- Similar cancelations are responsible for n>2 trivial results.

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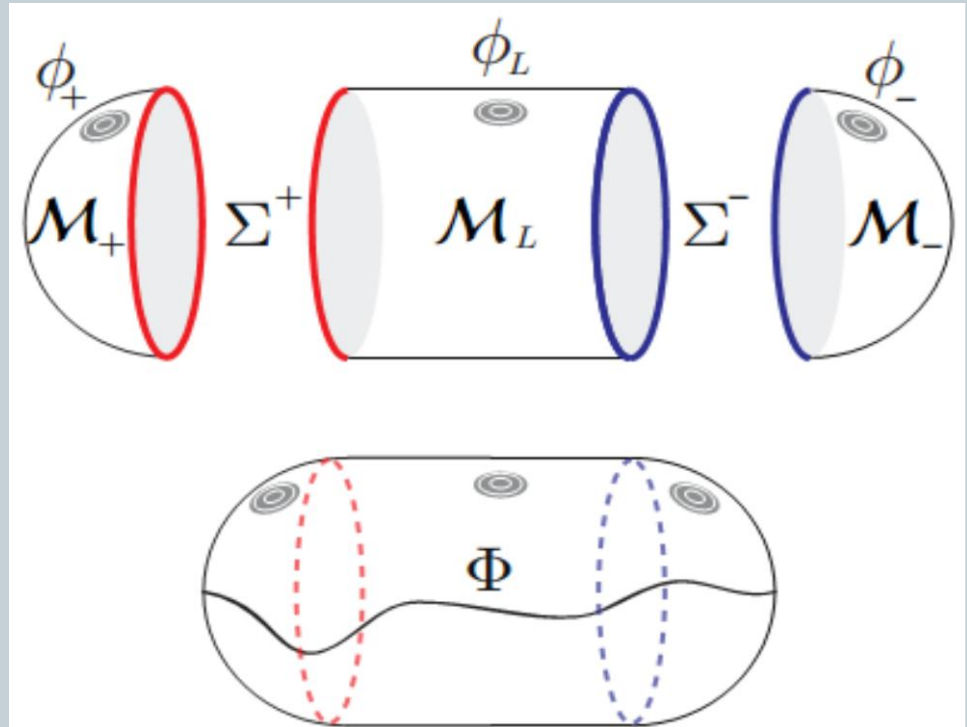
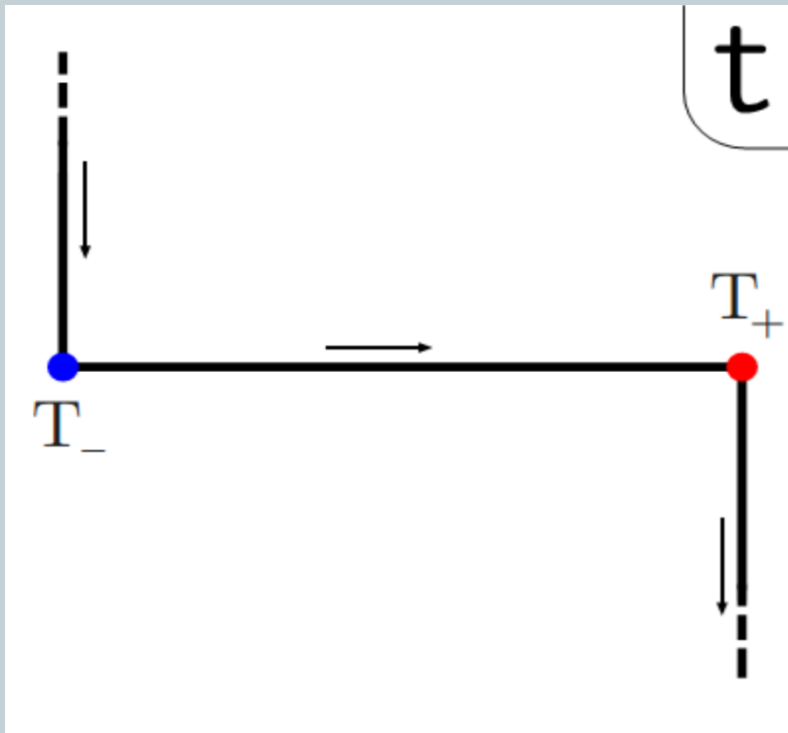
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# In-Out Formalism



- A massive free complex scalar field dual to a CFT local operator in the In-Out formalism is solved.

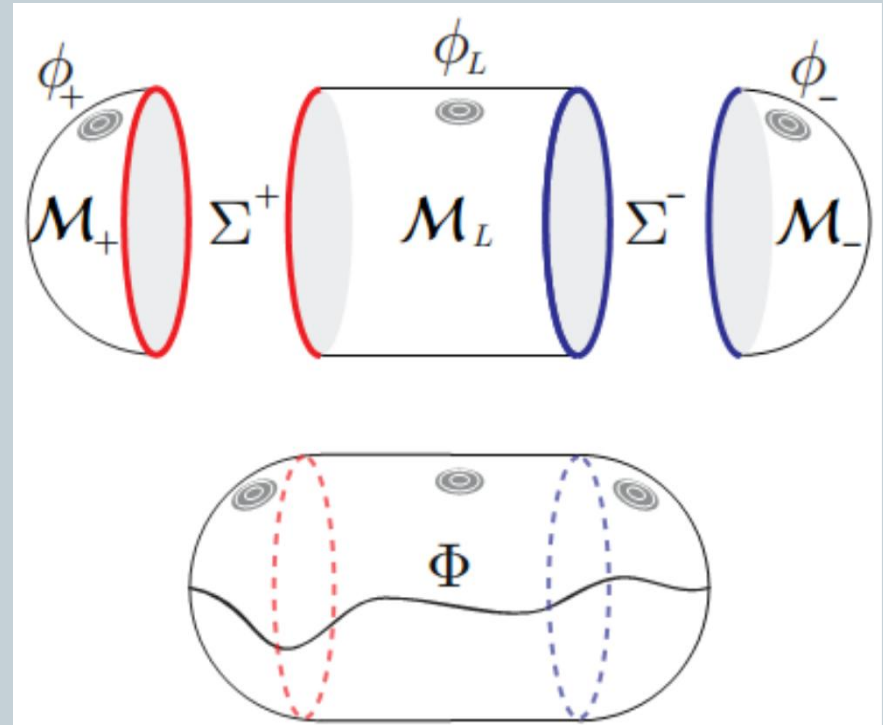


# In-Out Formalism



- **Steps**

- Solve the field EOM
  - ✦ Lorentz region
  - ✦ Euclidean regions
- Solve the continuity equations
- Obtain the on shell action
- Differentiate!



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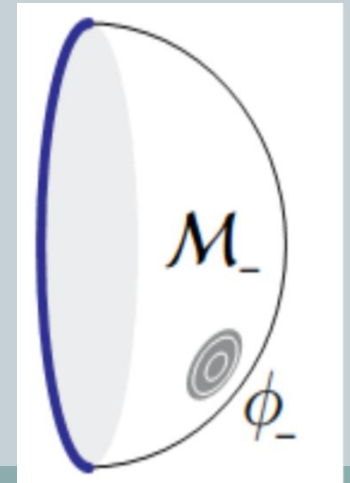
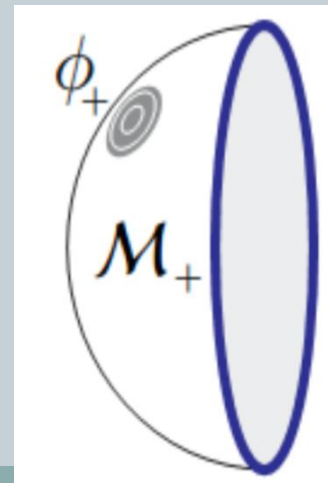


- A radial cut-off  $R$  is necessary for the problem to be well defined. For  $i = \{\pm, L\}$ , the boundary conditions are

$$\Phi^i(r, t, \varphi)|_{r=R} = R^{-\Delta_-} \phi^i(t, \varphi) = R^{\Delta_- - 2} \phi^i(t, \varphi)$$

$$\Delta_+ = \Delta = d/2 + \sqrt{\frac{d^2}{4} + m^2} = 1 + \sqrt{1 + m^2}$$

- Our Euclidean manifolds admit normalizable modes!

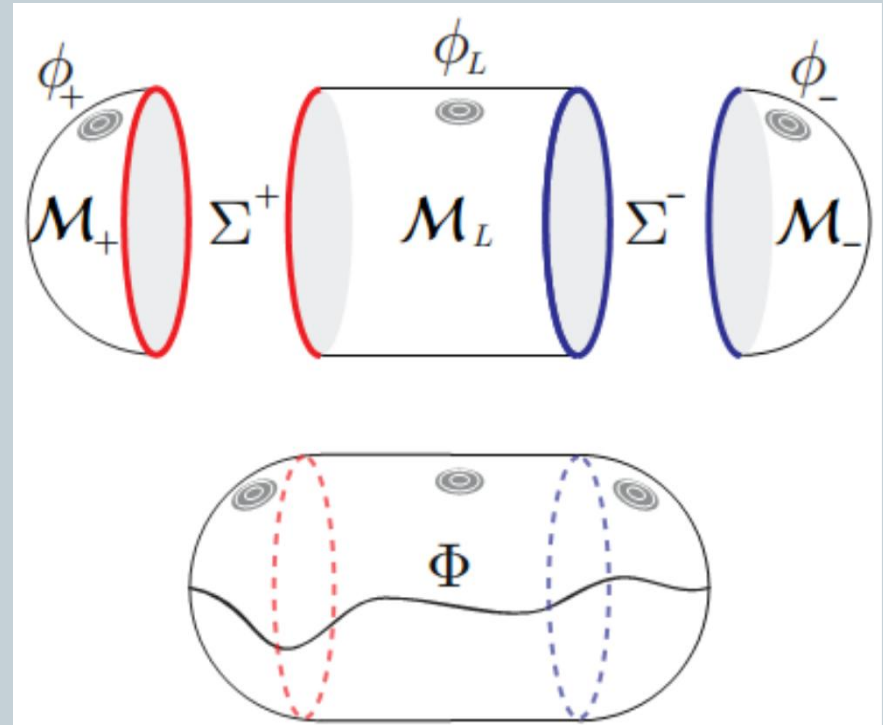


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# In-Out Formalism



- Lorentz region

- Metric and EOM

$$ds^2 = -(1 + r^2)dt^2 + (1 + r^2)^{-1}dr^2 + r^2d\varphi^2$$

$$(\square - m^2) \Phi_L = 0 \implies \Phi_L(r, t, \varphi) \propto e^{-i\omega t + il\varphi} f(\omega, l, r)$$

$$f(\omega, l, r) = (1 + r^2)^{\sqrt{\omega^2}/2} r^{|l|} {}_2F_1 \left( \frac{\sqrt{\omega^2} + |l| + \Delta}{2}, \frac{\sqrt{\omega^2} + |l| - \Delta + 2}{2}; 1 + |l|; -r^2 \right)$$

- For frequencies  $\pm\omega_{nl}^R$  one can build N solutions  $g_{nl}(r)|_{r=R} = 0$

- Solution

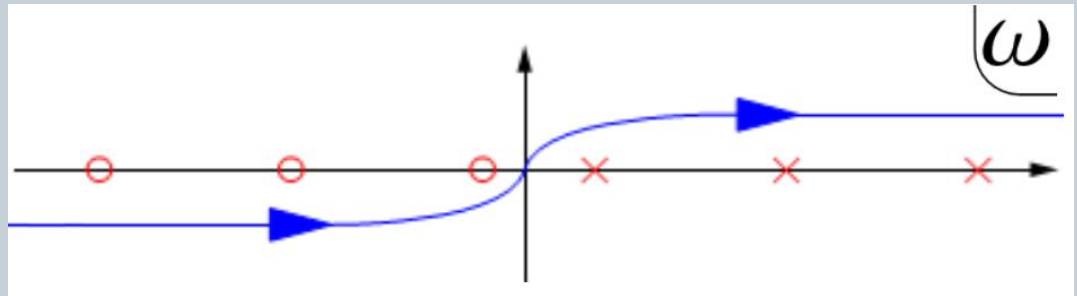
$$\Phi_L(r, t, \varphi) = \frac{R^{\Delta-2}}{4\pi^2} \sum_{l \in \mathbb{Z}} \int_{\mathcal{F}} d\omega dt' d\varphi' e^{-i\omega(t-t') + il(\varphi-\varphi')} \phi_L(t', \varphi') \frac{f(\omega, l, r)}{f(\omega, l, R)} + \sum_{\substack{n \in \mathbb{N} \\ l \in \mathbb{Z}}} \left( L_{nl}^+ e^{-i\omega_{nl}^R t} + L_{nl}^- e^{+i\omega_{nl}^R t} \right) e^{il\varphi} g_{nl}(r)$$

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- The NN modes integrand as an infinite number of single poles at  $\pm\omega_{nl}^R$  (this is no coincidence!)

$$\frac{1}{f(\omega, l, R)}$$



- This forces to choose a complex integration path in the frequency integral.

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# In-Out Formalism



- Euclidean regions

- Metric and EOM

$$ds^2 = +(1+r^2)d\tau^2 + (1+r^2)^{-1}dr^2 + r^2d\varphi^2$$

$$(\square - m^2) \Phi_{\pm} = 0 \implies \Phi_{\pm}(r, \tau, \varphi) \propto e^{i\omega\tau + il\varphi} f(-i\omega, l, r)$$

$$f(\omega, l, r) = (1+r^2)^{\sqrt{\omega^2}/2} r^{|l|} {}_2F_1\left(\frac{\sqrt{\omega^2}+|l|+\Delta}{2}, \frac{\sqrt{\omega^2}+|l|-\Delta+2}{2}; 1+|l|; -r^2\right)$$

- For frequencies  $\pm i\omega_{nl}^R$  one can still build N solutions!

- Solution for  $\mathcal{M}_+$

$$\Phi_+(r, \tau, \varphi) = \frac{R^{\Delta-2}}{4\pi^2} \sum_{l \in \mathbb{Z}} \int d\omega d\tau' d\varphi' e^{i\omega(\tau-\tau') + il(\varphi-\varphi')} \phi_+(\tau', \varphi') \frac{f(-i\omega, l, r)}{f(-i\omega, l, R)} +$$
$$\sum_{\substack{n \in \mathbb{N} \\ l \in \mathbb{Z}}} E_{nl}^+ e^{-\omega_{nl}^R(\tau+iT) + il\varphi} g_{nl}(r)$$

# In-Out Formalism



- Gluing the solutions

- Near  $\Sigma^+$ ,  $(t - t') > 0$  since every source  $\phi^L(t')$  has been left behind.
- One can then carry out the  $\omega$  integrals in the NN modes by residue theorem

$$\frac{R^{\Delta-2}}{4\pi^2} \sum_{l \in \mathbb{Z}} \int_{\mathcal{F}} d\omega dt' d\varphi' e^{-i\omega(t-t') + il(\varphi - \varphi')} \phi_L(t', \varphi') \frac{f(\omega, l, r)}{f(\omega, l, R)} =$$
$$iR^{\Delta-2} \sum_{nl} \text{Res}_{nl}^R \phi_{L;nl}^* e^{-i\omega_{nl}^R t + il\varphi} g_{nl}(r)$$

- Thus the Lorentzian solution near  $\Sigma^+$  can be written

$$\Phi_L(r, t, \varphi) \sim \sum_{nl} \left( \left( L_{nl}^+ + iR^{\Delta-2} \text{Res}_{nl}^R \phi_{L;nl}^* \right) e^{-i\omega_{nl}^R t} + L_{nl}^- e^{i\omega_{nl}^R t} \right) e^{il\varphi} g_{nl}(r)$$

# In-Out Formalism



- Gluing the solutions
  - Carrying out a similar process for each solution, one finds that the continuity equations are satisfied if

$$L_{nl}^{\pm} = R^{\Delta-2} \text{Res}_{nl}^R \phi_{\mp;n(-l)}$$

$$E_{nl}^{+} = R^{\Delta-2} \text{Res}_{nl}^R \left( i\phi_{L;n}^{*} + \phi_{-;n(-l)} \right)$$

$$E_{nl}^{-} = R^{\Delta-2} \text{Res}_{nl}^R \left( i\phi_{L;n(-l)} + \phi_{+;n(-l)} \right)$$

# In-Out Formalism



- On-shell action

$$S^0 = -\frac{1}{2} \lim_{R \rightarrow \infty} \left[ \sum_{i=\pm, L} \int_{\partial_r \mathcal{M}_i} dt_i d\varphi (1+r^2) (R^{\Delta-2} \phi_i) r \partial_r \Phi \right]_{r=R}$$

- The radial derivative applied to NN modes give

$$R^{\Delta-2} \frac{r \partial_r f(\omega, l, r)}{f(\omega, l, R)} \Big|_{r=R} \sim \mathbb{S}[l, R] - 2(\Delta - 1) R^{-\Delta} \frac{B(\omega, l)}{A(\omega, l)} (1 + o(R^{-2}))$$

while for N modes

$$L_{nl}^{\pm} r \partial_r g_{nl}(r) \Big|_{r=R} \sim -2(\Delta - 1) R^{-\Delta} B_{nl} \text{Res}_{nl} \phi_{\mp; n(-l)} (1 + o(R^{-2}))$$

# WARNING! SUBTLETIES AHEAD!



- You may wonder how come both N and NN modes end up with the same R dependence!
  - There are 2 key arguments that result in such a blasphemous result:

- ✦ We are not considering the r dependence, but rather the R dependence! The solutions are of the form

$$\Phi_{NN} \sim A(R)f(\omega, l, r) \qquad \Phi_N \sim B(R)g_{nl}(r)$$

As a consequence, it is not immediate to determine the final R dependence in a large-R expansion.

- ✦ Both the  $r\partial_r$  operator and the denominator  $f(\omega, l, R)$  in the NN solution play a subtle but fundamental role in the process! These result in turning the “real” NN leading terms in contact terms.



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- You may wonder how come both N and NN modes end up with the same R dependence!
  - For NN modes, the  $R^{-\Delta}$  term is the leading one that has non-integer dependence in  $l$ , i.e. that is not a contact term.
  - For N modes, it can be shown that

$$g_{nl}(r) \sim -B(\omega_{nl}^R, l) R^{-\Delta} \left( \left(\frac{r}{R}\right)^{\Delta-2} - \left(\frac{r}{R}\right)^{-\Delta} \right)$$

and that the coefficients are independent of R

$$\lim_{R \rightarrow \infty} L_{nl}^{\pm} \propto \lim_{R \rightarrow \infty} R^{\Delta-2} \text{Res}_{nl}^R = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \oint_{\omega = -\omega_{nl}} d\omega \frac{1}{A(\omega, l)}$$

which allows to prove the previous results.

# In-Out Formalism



- On-shell action

$$S^0 = -\frac{1}{2} \lim_{R \rightarrow \infty} \left[ \sum_{i=\pm, L} \int_{\partial_r \mathcal{M}_i} dt_i d\varphi (1+r^2) (R^{\Delta-2} \phi_i) r \partial_r \Phi \right]_{r=R}$$

- The radial derivative applied to NN modes give

$$R^{\Delta-2} \frac{r \partial_r f(\omega, l, r)}{f(\omega, l, R)} \Bigg|_{r=R} \sim \mathbb{S}[l, R] - 2(\Delta - 1) R^{-\Delta} \frac{B(\omega, l)}{A(\omega, l)} (1 + o(R^{-2}))$$

while for N modes

$$L_{nl}^{\pm} r \partial_r g_{nl}(r) \Bigg|_{r=R} \sim -2(\Delta - 1) R^{-\Delta} B_{nl} \text{Res}_{nl} \phi_{\mp; n(-l)} (1 + o(R^{-2}))$$

# In-Out Formalism



- On-shell action

- The same analysis holds for each  $\mathcal{M}_i$  and putting together the three contributions one gets the full on-shell action.
- Its complete expression is not very illuminating, but noticing that each term in the action is  $\sim \phi^i r \partial_r (\phi^i + \sum_{j \neq i} \phi^j)$ :
  - ✦ There are terms independent of  $\phi^L$  coming from the Euclidean quadratic terms.
  - ✦ There are terms linear in  $\phi^L$  coming from the mixed  $\phi^i \phi^j$  terms.
  - ✦ There is one term quadratic in  $\phi^L$ .
  - ✦ No other powers of  $\phi^L$  appear in the action.
- Notice that this means that that the connected n-point functions,  $n > 2$  are all trivial in this example. (COHERENCE!)

# In-Out Formalism



- Inner Product

$$\ln \langle \Psi^{\phi_+} | \Psi^{\phi_-} \rangle = \frac{1}{2} \int d\tau d\varphi d\tau' d\varphi' \phi(\tau, \varphi) \mathcal{P}(\tau, \tau', \varphi, \varphi') \phi(\tau', \varphi')$$

where

$$\phi(\tau, \varphi) = \begin{cases} \phi_-(\tau, \varphi) & \text{if } \tau \in \mathcal{M}_- \\ \phi_+(\tau, \varphi) & \text{if } \tau \in \mathcal{M}_+ \end{cases}$$

$$\mathcal{P}(\tau, \tau', \varphi, \varphi') = -2G(\tau, \tau', \varphi, \varphi') = \frac{(\Delta-1)^2}{2^{\Delta-1}\pi} \left( \cosh(\tau - \tau') - \cos(\varphi - \varphi') \right)^{-\Delta}$$

# In-Out Formalism



- One Point function

$$\omega_{nl} = 2n + |l| + \Delta$$

$$\frac{\langle \Psi^{\phi_+} | \mathcal{O}(t, \varphi) | \Psi^{\phi_-} \rangle}{\langle \Psi^{\phi_+} | \Psi^{\phi_-} \rangle} = -2(\Delta - 1) \sum_{nl} B_{nl} \text{Res}_{nl} \left( \phi_{+;nl} e^{i\omega_{nl}t - il\varphi} + \phi_{-;n(-l)} e^{-i\omega_{nl}t + il\varphi} \right)$$

which (up to a normalization constant) perfectly matches the BHDM results, behaving as if

$$|\Psi_{\mathcal{N}}^{\phi_-}\rangle \propto e^{-\int_{\mathcal{S}_-} \mathcal{O} \phi_-} |0\rangle \propto e^{\sum_k \lambda_k^- a_k^\dagger} |0\rangle$$

$$\lambda_{nl}^- = -\sqrt{2\pi} \sqrt{2(\Delta - 1) B_{nl} \text{Res}_{nl}} \phi_{-;nl} = -C_\Delta \int_{\partial_r \mathcal{M}_-} d\tau d\varphi F_{nl}^*(-i\tau, \varphi) \phi_-(\tau, \varphi)$$

# In-Out Formalism



- Two Point function

$$\left. \frac{\langle \Psi^{\phi+} | T[\mathcal{O}(t, \varphi) \mathcal{O}(t', \varphi')] | \Psi^{\phi-} \rangle}{\langle \Psi^{\phi+} | \Psi^{\phi-} \rangle} \right|_c = \frac{(\Delta-1)^2}{2^{\Delta-1} \pi} \left( \cos((t-t')(1-i\epsilon)) - \cos(\varphi - \varphi') \right)^{-\Delta}$$

which is the same as for the vacuum... Wait, WHAT!?

- Recall this is the connected 2-point function!

$$\left. \frac{\langle \Psi^{\phi+} | T[\mathcal{O}(t, \varphi) \mathcal{O}(t', \varphi')] | \Psi^{\phi-} \rangle}{\langle \Psi^{\phi+} | \Psi^{\phi-} \rangle} \right|_c = \frac{\langle \Psi^{\phi+} | \Psi^{\phi-} \rangle \langle 0 | T[\mathcal{O}(t, \varphi) \mathcal{O}(t', \varphi')] | 0 \rangle}{\langle \Psi^{\phi+} | \Psi^{\phi-} \rangle} = \langle 0 | T[\mathcal{O}(t, \varphi) \mathcal{O}(t', \varphi')] | 0 \rangle$$

# Conclusions



- SvR recipe is recovered from quantum analysis and “link” with EQG.
- The states generated by turning on Euclidean sources are

$$|\Psi \phi_{-}\rangle = e^{-\int_{S_{-}} \mathcal{O} \phi_{-}} |0\rangle$$

it proves the SvR conjecture on excited states.

- These states reproduce every holographic check from coherent states, with explicit eigenvalues

$$\lambda_{nl}^{\pm} = -\sqrt{2\pi} \sqrt{2(\Delta - 1) B_{nl} \text{Res}_{nl} \phi_{\pm;n(\mp l)}}$$

# Current Objectives



- **Introduce  $\lambda\Phi^3$  interactions**
  - We expect that a  $\Phi^3$  term lead an on-shell action with contributions as  $\Phi^2 \sim (a^\dagger + a)^2$  which could translate into a sort of squeezed states.
- **Prescribe our own operator**
  - Coherent states are an (over-)complete basis, and as such allows us to reconstruct the CFT operator from the bulk theory.
- **Improvement of the Hartle-Hawking construction**
  - For AdS Quantum Gravity we know how to define/compute wave functional of excited states through Euclidean path integrals.