

# Noncommutative geometry and higher spin gravity/symmetry

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- **Higher spin gravity** (HiSGRA) is one of ideas to construct/solve models of quantum gravity, which is heavily based on  $\infty$ -dim symmetry
- **Higher spin symmetry** is an unusual interpretation/application of the usual Deformation Quantization, also present in simple CFT's, but HiSGRA require much more ...
- **Chiral HiSGRA** is a  $4d$  model of quantum gravity that via AdS/CFT is related to  $3d$  CFT's aka second order phase transitions (Ising). Equations of motion = Poisson sigma-model that originates from a pre-Calabi-Yau  $A_\infty$  algebra aka NC Poisson structure. It owns its existence to **fuzzy-sphere**.

# Why higher spins?

How high is higher spin?

## Why higher spins?

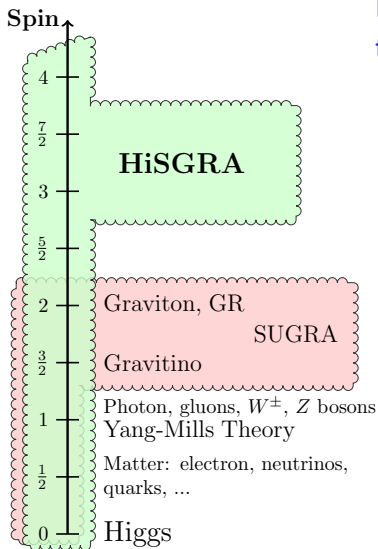
Standard context: quantum gravity problem

Standard assumption: to “solve all problems” without going too far from the well-established concept of particles/fields. Massless fields have helicity  $\lambda = 0, \pm\frac{1}{2}, \pm 1, \pm\frac{3}{2}, \pm 2, \dots$

For any triplet of helicities  $\lambda_i$ ,  $\lambda_1 + \lambda_2 + \lambda_3 > 0$  there is a unique interaction vertex (Brink, Bengtsson<sup>2</sup>, Linden, 1983-7):

$$V_3 \sim C_{\lambda_1, \lambda_2, \lambda_3} [12]^{\lambda_1 + \lambda_2 - \lambda_3} [23]^{\lambda_2 + \lambda_3 - \lambda_1} [31]^{\lambda_3 + \lambda_1 - \lambda_2}$$

Questions: what are the options to have interactions? Which ones incorporate gravity? Which ones are quantum consistent? What the right math to describe them? Relation to actual physics? ...



## Different spins lead to very different types of theories/physics:

- $s = 0$ : Higgs
- $s = 1/2$ : Matter

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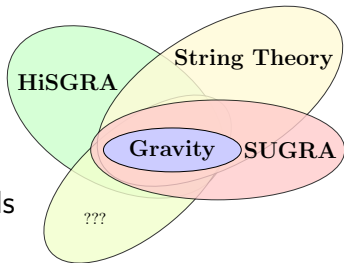
- $s = 1$ : Yang-Mills, Lie algebras
- $s = 3/2$ : SUGRA and supergeometry, graviton  $\in$  spectrum
- $s = 2$ : GR and Riemann Geometry, no color (Boulanger et al)
- $s > 2$ : HiSGRA and String theory,  $\infty$  states, graviton is there too!

## Why massless higher spins?

- string theory
- acausality of higher der. corrections to gravity (Camanho et al.)
- divergences in (SU)GRA's
- Quantum Gravity via AdS/CFT

→ quantization of gravity →

- unbounded spin →  $\infty$  many fields
- UV → massless



HiSGRA = the smallest extension of gravity by massless, i.e. gauge, higher spin fields. Vast gauge symmetry should render it finite.

**Quantizing Gravity via HiSGRA  $\sim$  Classical HiSGRA?**

# HiSGRA that survived

**Quantizing Gravity via HiSGRA  $\sim$  Classical HiSGRA**

HiSGRA can be good probes of the Quantum Gravity Problem

**3d massless, conformal and partially-massless** (Blencowe; Bergshoeff, Stelle; Campoleoni, Fredenhagen, Pfenninger, Theisen; Henneaux, Rey; Gaberdiel, Gopakumar; Grumiller; Grigoriev, Mkrtychyan, E.S.; Pope, Townsend; Fradkin, Linetsky; Lovrekovic; ...),  $S = S_{CS}$  for a HS extension of  $sl_2 \oplus sl_2$  or  $so(3, 2)$

$$S = \int \omega d\omega + \frac{2}{3}\omega^3$$

**4d conformal** (Tseytlin, Segal; Bekaert, Joung, Mourad; Adamo, Tseytlin; Basile, Grigoriev, E.S.; ...), higher spin extension of Weyl gravity, local Weyl symmetry tames non-localities

$$S = \int \sqrt{g} (C_{\mu\nu, \lambda\rho})^2 + \dots$$

**4d massless chiral** (Metsaev; Ponomarev, E.S.; Ponomarev; E.S., Tran, Tsulaia, Sharapov, Van Dongen, ...). The smallest HiSGRA with propagating fields.

**IKKT model for fuzzy  $H_4$**  (Steinacker, Sperling, Fredenhagen, Tran)

**The theories avoid all no-go's, as close to Field Theory as possible**



Chiral HiSGRA:  
M-theory of all self-dual ones

## Self-dual Yang-Mills (SDYM)

It is easy to get SDYM as “truncation” of YM ( $A_\mu \rightarrow \Phi^\pm$ )

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{YM}} = \text{tr } F_{\mu\nu} F^{\mu\nu}$$

$\rightsquigarrow$

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{SDYM}} = \Phi^- \square \Phi^+ + V^{++-} + V^{--+} + V^{+-}$$

SDYM can also be described covariantly with the help of

$$F \wedge F = F_{AB}^2 - F_{A'B'}^2 \qquad F_{\mu\nu}^2 = F_{AB}^2 + F_{A'B'}^2$$

where  $F_{AB}$ ,  $F_{A'B'}$  are the (anti)self-dual components in the  $sl(2, \mathbb{C})$ -language. Next, a couple of tricks due to (Chalmers, Siegel)

$$S_{\text{YM}} = \int F_{\mu\nu}^2 \sim \int F_{AB}^2 \sim \int C^{AB} F_{AB} - \frac{g'}{2} C_{AB}^2,$$

## Self-dual gravity (SDGR)

Starting from Plebansky formulation of Einstein-Hilbert action, but with a bit more tricks one can arrive at (Krasnov)

$$S_{EH} = \int F^{AB} \wedge F_{AB} + \int C^{ABCD} F_{AB} \wedge F_{CD} + \mathcal{O}(C^2)$$

where  $C^{ABCD}$  looks like the SD part of the Weyl tensor and

$$F^{AB} = d\omega^{AB} + \omega^A_C \wedge \omega^{CB}$$

is the SD part of the Riemann two-form.

SDGR is a UV-finite theory of massless spin-two field (Krasnov)

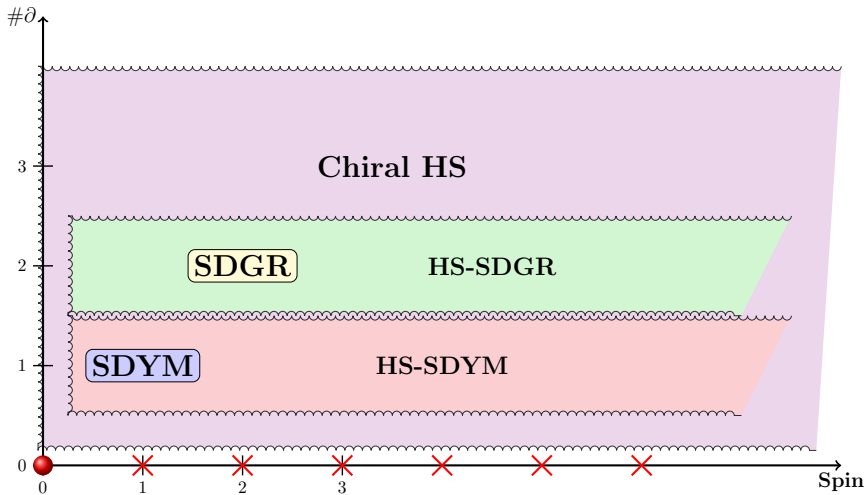
One can easily “draw a line” that goes through SDYM, SDGR and extends to higher-spin fields ...

- actions are not real in Minkowski space
- actions are simpler than the complete theories
- integrability, instantons (Atiyah, Hitchin, Drinfeld, Manin; ...)
- **SD theories are consistent truncations**, so anything we can compute will be a legitimate observable in the full theory; Unitary physics from nonunitary theories!

In general: amplitudes (MHV, BCFW, double-copy, ...), strings, QFT, Twistors, ... encourage to go outside Minkowski

In higher spins: little explored (Adamo, Hähnel, McLoughlin; E.S., Ponomarev; Ponomarev; Tran; Krasnov, Herfray, E.S.), can be the only reasonably local theories

# M-theory of self-dual theories



Twistors treat positive and negative helicities differently:

$$-s : C^{A(2s)} \quad (\text{Penrose, 1965})$$

$$+s : \delta\omega^{A(2s-2)} = \nabla\xi^{A(2s-2)} + \dots \quad (\text{Hitchin, 1980; Krasnov, E.S.})$$

The simplest free action for higher-spin fields reads

$$S = \int \Psi^{A(2s)} \wedge H_{AA} \wedge \nabla\omega_{A(2s-2)}$$

where  $H^{AB} \equiv e^A_{C'} \wedge e^{BC'}$  is the basis of self-dual two-forms built from vierbein  $e^{AA'}$ .

It reproduces the free limits of SDYM and SDGR. Interactions?

Chiral HiSGRA admits two contractions ([Ponomarev](#)) to higher spin extensions of SDYM and SDGR

They can be covariantized ([Krasnov, E.S., Tran](#)). Firstly, we pack

$$\omega(y) = \sum_k \omega_{A_1 \dots A_k} y^{A_1} \dots y^{A_k} \quad C(y) = F^{AB} y_A y_B + \dots$$

$\nabla\omega$  and  $H$  can be replaced with

$$F = d\omega + \frac{1}{2}[\omega, \omega]$$

where  $[f, g]$  is either due to Lie algebra (HS-SDYM) or due to Poisson bracket on  $\mathbb{R}^2$  (HS-SDGR,  $\Lambda \neq 0$ ), which is the same as  $w_{1+\infty}$ :

$$\{f, g\} = \epsilon^{AB} \partial_A f(y) \partial_B g(y)$$

# Chiral Higher Spin Gravity

(what can be said without NC-geometry)



## Chiral HiSGRA: down to Earth approach

Chiral HiSGRA (Metsaev; Ponomarev, E.S.) is a 'higher spin extension' of SDYM/SDGR. It has fields of all spins  $s = 0, 1, 2, 3, \dots$ :

$$\mathcal{L} = \sum_{\lambda} \Phi^{-\lambda} \square \Phi^{+\lambda} + \sum_{\lambda_i} \frac{\kappa l_{\text{Pl}}^{\lambda_1 + \lambda_2 + \lambda_3 - 1}}{\Gamma(\lambda_1 + \lambda_2 + \lambda_3)} V^{\lambda_1, \lambda_2, \lambda_3} + \mathcal{O}(\Lambda)$$

light-cone gauge is very close to the spinor-helicity language

$$V^{\lambda_1, \lambda_2, \lambda_3} \sim [12]^{\lambda_1 + \lambda_2 - \lambda_3} [23]^{\lambda_2 + \lambda_3 - \lambda_1} [13]^{\lambda_1 + \lambda_3 - \lambda_2}$$

Locality + Lorentz invariance + genuine higher spin interaction result in a unique completion. Smooth in the cosmological constant.

**This is the smallest higher spin theory and it is unique.**  
**Graviton and scalar field belong to the same multiplet**

## No UV Divergences! One-loop finiteness

Tree amplitudes vanish. The interactions are naively non-renormalizable, the higher the spin the more derivatives:

$$V^{\lambda_1, \lambda_2, \lambda_3} \sim \partial^{|\lambda_1 + \lambda_2 + \lambda_3|} \Phi^3$$

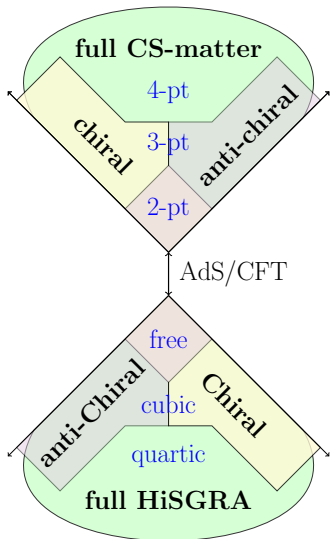
there are **no UV divergences!** (E.S., Tsulaia, Tran). Some loop momenta factor out, just as in  $\mathcal{N} = 4$  SYM, but  $\infty$ -many times.

At one loop we find three factors: (1) SDYM or all-plus 1-loop QCD; (2) higher spin dressing to account for  $\lambda_i$ ; (3) total number of d.o.f.:

$$\mathbf{A}^{1\text{-loop}} = \mathbf{A}_{\text{QCD}, 1\text{-loop}}^{++\dots+} \times \mathbf{D}_{\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_n} \times \sum_{\lambda} 1 \rightarrow 0$$

# d.o.f. =  $\sum_{\lambda} 1 = 1 + 2 \sum_{\lambda > 0} 1 = 1 + 2\zeta(0) = 0$  to comply with no-go's, (Beccaria, Tseytlin) and agrees with many results in *AdS*, where  $\neq 0$

# Chiral HiSGRA and Secrets of Chern-Simons vector models



The existence of Chiral HiSGRA implies: there are two closed subsectors of Chern-Simons vector models

One can define them holographically, but it would be interesting to identify them on the CFT side (Aharony, Kallosh, Kukulj; Jain, Dhruva, E.S.);

All 3pt-functions, bosonization up to 4pt (Yin, E.S.)

There are two new CFTs!

# Chiral Higher Spin Gravity

(NC-geometry)

Covariant equations of motion are those of **4d** Poisson Sigma Model

$$dC^i = \pi^{ij}(C) \omega_j, \quad d\omega_k = \frac{1}{2} \partial_k \pi^{ij}(C) \omega_i \omega_j.$$

$$\omega_i = \omega + \omega^{AB} y_A y_B + \dots \text{ and } C^i = \phi + F^{AB} y_A y_B + \dots$$

It is not topological since  $C$  is  $\infty$ -dimensional!

If we lived in  $2d$  the action would be just PSM

$$S_{PSM} = \int_{\Sigma} C^i d\omega_i + \frac{1}{2} \omega_i \omega_j \pi^{ij}(C)$$

The same structure works in  $3d$  (Sharapov, E.S., Sukhanov) and the action is a Courant sigma-model. In  $4d$  one can write down a presymplectic (Grigoriev et al) action (Sharapov, E.S.)

## Poisson structure awakens

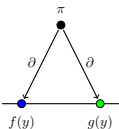
The Poisson structure is on  $C^i = C(y)$ , which is  $\infty$ -dim.

$\pi^{ij} = 0 + \pi_k^{ij} C^k + \dots$  and  $\pi_k^{ij}$  is the Moyal-Weyl commutator

Any linear Poisson structure is just a Lie algebra

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc} \mathbb{R}^2 & \rightarrow & f(y) \in C[\mathbb{R}^2] & \rightarrow & \mathbf{A}_1 & \rightarrow & \text{Lie}(\mathbf{A}_1) \\ \epsilon^{AB} & & \{f, g\} & & f \star g & & [f, g]_{\star} \end{array} \rightarrow \pi_k^{ij}$$

$$\{f, g\} = \partial_A f \epsilon^{AB} \partial_B g$$

$$f \star g = \exp$$


What about higher orders? The PSM equations is a particular case of

$$d\Phi = l_2(\Phi, \Phi) + l_3(\Phi, \Phi, \Phi) + \dots = Q(\Phi)$$

where  $l_n$  define an  $L_\infty$ -algebra. Our  $L_\infty$  originates from an  $A_\infty$  of pre-Calabi-Yau type (cyclic), which is NC Poisson structure (Kontsevich et al).  $m_2(\bullet, \bullet)$  defines an associative algebra, Weyl algebra  $A_1$ .

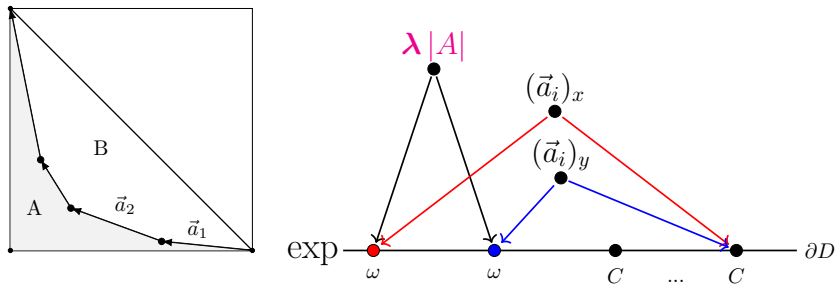
Master Hamiltonian  $S = \frac{1}{2}\pi^{ij}(C)\omega_i\omega_j$  obeys the master equation

$$\{S, S\} = \frac{\partial S}{\partial C^i} \frac{\partial S}{\partial \omega_i} = 0 \quad \Omega = dC^i \wedge d\omega_i$$

pre-Calabi-Yau is a non-commutative Poisson structure,  $[S, S]_{nc} = 0$ ,

$$S = \sum \langle m_n(\omega, \omega, C, \dots, C) | C \rangle$$

Explicit answer for all maps, e.g.  $\mathcal{S}(\omega, \omega, C, \dots, C)$ :



(Sharapov, E.S., Van Dongen) the configuration space is of convex polygons  $B$  or swallowtails  $A$ , related to Grassmannian of two-planes.

The proof of  $A_\infty$  is by Stokes theorem: 
$$\int_C d\Omega = \int_{\partial C} \Omega$$



Weyl algebra  $\mathbf{A}_1$  gives a **fuzzy-sphere** at a particular radius

$$x^i = (q^2, p^2, \frac{1}{2}[qp + pq]) \quad C_2 = r^2 = -\frac{3}{4}$$

$\mathbf{A}_1$  is a rigid  $\infty$ -dim associative algebra that contains  $sp(2)$ .

Orbifold  $\mathbb{R}^2/\mathbb{Z}_2$  admits 'second' quantization on top of the Moyal-Weyl  $\star$ -product, (Wigner; ...; Pope et al; Vasiliev; Madore; Bieliavsky et al; Joung, Mrtchyan; Korybut; Basile et al; Sharapov et al), freeing radius  $r$

$$[q, p] = i\hbar + i\nu \mathbf{R} \quad \mathbf{R} y_A \mathbf{R} = -y_A, \quad y_A = (q, p)$$

The first deformation is given by some two-cocycle  $\phi_1$ . This is thanks to  $HH^2(\mathbf{A}_1, \mathbf{A}_1^*) = \mathbb{C}$  and the cocycle was obtained (Feigin, Felder, Shoikhet) from Shoikhet-Tsygan-Kontsevich formality

## What else?

- Relation to tensionless strings on  $AdS_4 \times \mathbb{CP}^3$ ?
- Slightly-broken HS = new physical symmetry,  $L_\infty$ . Uniqueness of invariants suggests  $3d$  bosonization
- Chiral HiSGRA is detected via celestial OPE (Ren, Spradlin, Srikant, Volovich)
- Instantons/exact solutions (E.S, Yin): the simplest (BPST) instanton can be uplifted to a solution of Chiral HiSGRA, perhaps all ADHM as well ...
- Chiral description for massive HS interactions (Ochirov, E.S.), Black-Hole scattering (Cangemi, Chiodaroli, Johansson, Ochirov, Pichini, E.S.)

- **Higher spin symmetries** originate from Deformation Quantization. However, theories/applications (Chiral HiSGRA/Chern-Simons vector models) require  $A_\infty/L_\infty$ -extensions thereof, which originate from **fuzzy-sphere**
- Chiral HiSGRA is a nice model, which is supposed to be UV finite at all loops. It is related to second order phase transitions via AdS/CFT and sheds more light on the  $3d$  bosonization duality. It requires sophisticated NC-techniques that are not yet covered by math results.
- Bigger formality? 1st layer = Kontsevich; 2nd layer Shoikhet-Tsygan-Kontsevich. Deformation Quantization of Poisson (Orbifolds): formality is yet to be understood, but  $\mathbb{R}^2/\mathbb{Z}_2$  is related to **fuzzy-sphere**

That's all!

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# S-matrix constraints from the higher spin symmetry

We see that **asymptotic higher spin symmetries** (HSS)

$$\delta\Phi_{\mu_1\dots\mu_s}(x) = \nabla_{\mu_1}\xi_{\mu_2\dots\mu_s}$$

seem to completely fix (holographic)  $S$ -matrix to be

$$S_{\text{HiSGRA}} = \begin{cases} 1^{***}, & \text{flat space, (Weinberg)} \\ \text{free CFT,} & \text{asymptotic AdS, unbroken HSS} \\ \text{Chern-Simons Matter,} & \text{asymptotic AdS}_4, \text{ SB HSS} \end{cases}$$

**Most interesting applications are to vector models**, (Klebanov, Polyakov; Sezgin, Sundell; Maldacena, Zhiboedov; Giombi et al; ...)

Both Minkowski and AdS cases reveal certain non-localities since HSS mixes  $\infty$  spins and derivatives, invalidating the local QFT approach

## S-matrix summary

For HS-SDYM we have

$$S = \sum_n \text{tr} \int \Psi^{A(2s)} H_{AA} \wedge F_{A(2s-2)}$$

For HS-SDGR in flat space ( $m = n = 2 \leftrightarrow$  SDGR)

$$S = \sum_{m,n} \int \Psi^{A(n+m)} d\omega_{A(n)} \wedge d\omega_{A(m)}$$

For HS-SDGR with  $\Lambda \neq 0$  we need Poisson bracket in  $F$

$$S = \sum_{m,n} \int \Psi^{A(n+m)} F_{A(n)} \wedge F_{A(m)}$$

The flat limit is smooth!  $F = d\omega + \frac{1}{2}[\omega, \omega] \rightarrow d\omega$

**All these are truncations of Chiral HiSGRA** (Ponomarev)



## Higher spin symmetry $\in$ Deformation Quantization

**Ex 1.** Moyal-Weyl star-product,  $[Y^A, Y^B] = \pi^{AB}$ , Weyl algebra  $A_n$

$$(f \star g)(Y) = f(Y) \exp \frac{1}{2} \left[ \overleftarrow{\partial}_A \pi^{AB} \overrightarrow{\partial}_B \right] g(Y)$$

$so(2, 1) \in A_1$ ,  $so(3, 2) \in A_2 \rightarrow$  **Chiral HiSGRA**,  $sp(2n) \in A_n$ .

**Ex 2.** Fuzzy 2-sphere/hyperboloid,  $[x^i, x^j] = \epsilon^{ijk} x^k \sim sp(2)$

$$A_1 : \quad [q, p] = i\hbar \quad x^i = (q^2, p^2, \frac{1}{2}\{q, p\})$$

whenever radius is quantized  $gl_n \ni sl_n \rightarrow$  **3d HiSGRA**

**Ex 3.** Fuzzy  $H_4$ , DQ of the minimal coadjoint orbit of  $so(4, 2)$

$$[P_a, P_b] = L_{ab} \quad [L_{ab}, L_{cd}] = \eta_{bc} L_{ad} + \dots \quad [L_{ab}, P_c] = \dots$$

**IKKT** (Steinacker et al), also **conformal HiSGRA**

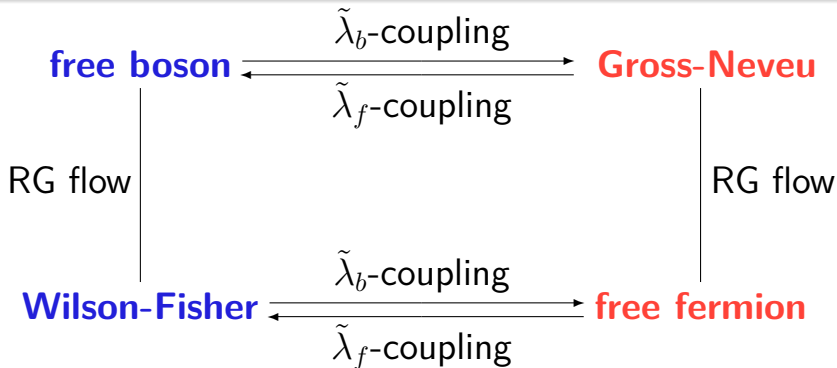
## Chern-Simons Matter theories and dualities

In  $AdS_4/CFT_3$  one can do much better — there exists a large class of models, Chern-Simons Matter theories (extends to ABJ(M))

$$\frac{k}{4\pi} S_{CS}(A) + \text{Matter} \begin{cases} (D\phi^i)^2 & \text{free boson} \\ (D\phi^i)^2 + g(\phi^i\phi^i)^2 & \text{Wilson-Fisher (Ising)} \\ \bar{\psi}\not{D}\psi & \text{free fermion} \\ \bar{\psi}\not{D}\psi + g(\bar{\psi}\psi)^2 & \text{Gross-Neveu} \end{cases}$$

- describe physics (Ising, quantum Hall, ...)
- break parity in general (Chern-Simons)
- two parameters  $\lambda = N/k$ ,  $1/N$  ( $\lambda$  continuous for  $N$  large)
- exhibit remarkable dualities, e.g. **3d bosonization duality** (Aharony, Alday, Bissi, Giombi, Karch, Maldacena, Minwalla, Prakash, Seiberg, Tong, Witten, Yacobi, Yin, Zhiboedov, ...)

## Chern-Simons Matter theories and dualities



The simplest gauge-invariant operators are  $J_s = \phi D \dots D \phi$  or  $J_s = \bar{\psi} \gamma D \dots D \psi$ , which are dual to higher spin fields.

Currents are slightly non-conserved  $\partial \cdot J = \frac{1}{N} [JJ]$

$\gamma(J_s)$  at order  $1/N$  (Giombi, Gurucharan, Kirillin, Prakash, E.S.) confirm the duality. Many other tests!

# Higher spin symmetry and bosonization duality

## Unbroken Higher spin symmetry

In free theories we have  $\infty$ -many conserved  $J_s = \phi \partial \dots \partial \phi$  tensors.

**Free CFT = Associative (higher spin) algebra**

Conserved tensor  $\rightarrow$  current  $\rightarrow$  symmetry  $\rightarrow$  invariants=correlators.

$$\partial \cdot J_s = 0 \quad \Longrightarrow \quad Q_s = \int J_s \quad \Longrightarrow \quad [Q, Q] = Q \quad \& \quad [Q, J] = J$$

HS-algebra (free boson) = HS-algebra (free fermion) in  $3d$ .

Correlators are given by invariants (Sundell, Colombo; Didenko, E.S.; ...)

$$\langle J \dots J \rangle = \text{Tr}(\Psi \star \dots \star \Psi) \quad \Psi \leftrightarrow J$$

where  $\Psi$  are coherent states representing  $J$  in the higher spin algebra

$$\langle JJJJ \rangle_{F.B.} \sim \cos(Q_{13}^2 + Q_{24}^3 + Q_{31}^4 + Q_{43}^1) \cos(P_{12}) \cos(P_{23}) \cos(P_{34}) \cos(P_{41}) + \dots$$

## Slightly-broken Higher spin symmetry is new Virasoro?

In large- $N$  Chern-Simons vector models (e.g. Ising) higher spin symmetry does not disappear completely (Maldacena, Zhiboedov):

$$\partial \cdot J = \frac{1}{N} [JJ] \qquad [Q, J] = J + \frac{1}{N} [JJ]$$

**What is the right math?** We should deform the algebra together with its action on the module, so that the currents can 'backreact':

$$\delta_\xi J = l_2(\xi, J) + l_3(\xi, J, J) + \dots, \qquad [\delta_{\xi_1}, \delta_{\xi_2}] = \delta_\xi,$$

where  $\xi = l_2(\xi_1, \xi_2) + l_3(\xi_1, \xi_2, J) + \dots$ . This leads to  $L_\infty$ -algebra.

Correlators = invariants of  $L_\infty$ -algebra and are unique (Gerasimenko, Sharapov, E.S.), **which proves 3d bosonization duality at least in the large- $N$ .**

Without having to compute anything one prediction is

$$\langle J \dots J \rangle = \sum \langle \text{fixed} \rangle_i \times \text{params}$$