

# Comments on non-relativistic AdS/CFT

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[Adams-Balasubramanian-McGreevy,0807.1111]

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Conformal extension

- $D$ : dilatation with **dynamical exponent**  $z$

$$\begin{aligned} [D, P_i] &= -iP_i, & [D, H] &= -izH, \\ [D, K_i] &= i(z - 1)K_i, & [D, M] &= i(z - 2)M \end{aligned}$$

- $C$ : special conformal transformation when  $z = 2$

$$[C, P_i] = iK_i, \quad [D, C] = 2iC, \quad [H, C] = iD.$$

# Nonrelativistic conformal group

Called as **Schrödinger** group when  $z = 2$  because

$$S = \int d^d x dt \left[ \psi^\dagger i \partial_t \psi - \frac{1}{2m} (\partial_i \psi)^2 \right]$$

has this symmetry.

- $D: x \rightarrow \lambda x, t \rightarrow \lambda^2 t$

$$D = \int d^d x x_i j_i(x), \quad j_i(x) = i \psi^\dagger \partial_i \psi - i (\partial_i \psi^\dagger) \psi$$

- $C: x \rightarrow x/(1 - \lambda t), t \rightarrow t/(1 - \lambda t)$

$$C = \int d^d x \frac{x^2}{2} n(x), \quad n(x) = \psi^\dagger \psi$$

# Nonrelativistic conformal system

- Fermion at “unitarity” in  $d = 3$  [Mehen-Stewart-Wise]

$$S = \int d^3x dt \left[ \psi_\sigma^\dagger i \partial_t \psi_\sigma - \frac{1}{2m} (\partial_i \psi_\sigma)^2 + g (\psi_\downarrow^\dagger \psi_\uparrow^\dagger \psi_\downarrow \psi_\uparrow) \right]$$

when “ $g \rightarrow \infty$ ” or more precisely at infinite scattering length

- Experimentally realized in the system of trapped cold atoms
- Strongly coupled, hard to solve  $\rightarrow$  Might AdS/CFT help ???
- Interacting anyon gas in  $d = 2$  [Jackiw-Pi, Bergman-Lozano]

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- instead consider changing

$$H \rightarrow \tilde{D} \equiv H + C = \int d^d x \left[ \epsilon(x) + \frac{x^2}{2} m(x) \right]$$

Cold atoms in the harmonic potential.

- one can show

$$\tilde{D}|\mathcal{O}\rangle = \Delta|\mathcal{O}\rangle$$

where  $|\mathcal{O}\rangle \equiv e^{-H}\mathcal{O}|0\rangle$  and  $[D, \mathcal{O}] = -\Delta\mathcal{O}$  [Nishida-Son]

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### Unitarity bound in relativistic CFT

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# Background with non-relativistic conformal symmetry

- [Son] and [Balasubramanian-McGreevy] found the metric

$$ds^2 = -\sigma^2 r^{2z} (dx^+)^2 + \frac{dr^2}{r^2} + r^2 (-dx^+ dx^- + d\vec{x}^2)$$

which has the non-relativistic conformal symmetry with dynamical exponent  $z$ .

- $D$  acts as follows :

$$\vec{x} \rightarrow \lambda \vec{x}, \quad x^+ \rightarrow \lambda^z x^+, \quad x^- \rightarrow \lambda^{2-z} x^-, \quad r \rightarrow r/\lambda.$$

- $x^+ \leftrightarrow H, \quad x^- \leftrightarrow M$
- Deformation of  $\text{AdS}_{d+2}$  for the non-relativistic conformal system with  $d$  spatial dimension
- Seems natural to compactify  $x^-$  when  $z = 2$

# Discrete Light-Cone Quantization

- If one compactifies  $x^-$ , deformation is not necessary ...
- The isometry of

$$ds^2 = +\frac{dr^2}{r^2} + r^2(-dx^+ dx^- + d\vec{x}^2), \quad x^- \sim x^- + r^-$$

is exactly the **Schrödinger** group.

- DLCQ of relativistic theory  $\rightarrow$  looks like Galilean.

$$p_+ p_- - \vec{p}^2 = 0 \rightarrow E = \frac{\vec{p}^2}{M} \text{ where } E = p_+, M = p_-$$

- DLCQ of relativistic **conformal** theory  $\rightarrow$  **Galilean + conformal** !

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- Studied already in [Aharony-Berkooz-Seiberg,'97].  
NR superconformal group was written down there.
- Theory in 4+1 dimensions.  $N$  momenta along  $x^-$ ,  $k$  M5-brane  
 $\rightarrow$  Quantum mechanics of  $N$  instantons of  $U(k)$  gauge group
- It has 4-d Schrödinger symmetry, but definitely not cold atoms in 4d.

# Noncommutative deformation

Deformed version with  $z = 2$

$$ds^2 = -\sigma^2 r^4 (dx^+)^2 + \frac{dr^2}{r^2} + r^2 (-dx^+ dx^- + d\vec{x}^2)$$

times  $S^5$  can be obtained by a solution-generating technique.

**TsT transformation** or **Melvin twist**.

- 1 Choose a direction  $\varphi$  in  $S^5$ . T-dualize  $\varphi$  to  $\tilde{\varphi}$
- 2 redefine new  $x^-$  to be  $x_{\text{new}}^- = x_{\text{old}}^- + \sigma \tilde{\varphi}$
- 3 T-dualize  $\tilde{\varphi}$  back to  $\varphi$ .

Field theory side: funny non-commutativity

$$f * g = e^{i(P_f R_g - P_g R_f)} fg$$

where  $P$ : momentum along  $x^-$ ,  $R$ : R-charge



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So, the background of [Son],[Balasubramanian-McGreevy] is dual to DLCQ of funny **noncommutative** deformation of  $\mathcal{N} = 4$  SYM.

It looks quite different from cold atoms (=fermion at unitarity.)  
One can study its thermodynamic properties e.g. viscosity, entropy with this caveat in mind:

Is the difference larger than that of QCD at RHIC and hot  $\mathcal{N} = 4$  SYM ?

Strong coupling **necessary** for having gravity dual, but not **sufficient**.

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- Thermodynamic properties determined by the horizon  $r \sim r_H$
- should be OK. cf. holography for D $p$ -brane with  $p \neq 3$   
[Itzhaki-Maldacena-Sonnenschein-Yankielowicz]

# BH solution

- AdS  $\rightarrow$  TsT  $\rightarrow$  Schrödinger bkg.
- non-extremal brane solution  
 $\rightarrow$  TsT  $\rightarrow$  finite temperature solution.
- Near-horizon form of the non-extremal D3-brane

$$ds^2 = \frac{1}{1 - r_0^4/r^4} \frac{dr^2}{r^2} + r^2 \left[ -dx^+ dx^- + \frac{r_0^4}{4r^4} \left( \lambda^{-1} dx^+ + \lambda dx^- \right)^2 + d\vec{x}^2 \right]$$

- Horizon at  $r = r_0$ ,
- $x^-$  direction spacelike.

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$$ds^2 = e^{\frac{3}{2}\Phi} r^2 \left[ \left( -1 + \frac{r_0^4}{2r^4} \right) dx^+ dx^- + \frac{r_0^4}{4r^4} (\lambda^2 (dx^-)^2 + \lambda^{-2} (dx^+)^2) \right. \\ \left. - \sigma^2 r^2 \left( 1 - \frac{r_0^4}{r^4} \right) (dx^+)^2 \right] + e^{-\frac{\Phi}{2}} r^2 \left[ \frac{1}{r^4 - r_0^4} dr^2 + d\vec{x}^2 \right] \\ + e^{-\frac{\Phi}{2}} ds^2(B_{KE}) + e^{\frac{3}{2}\Phi} \eta^2$$

with dilaton and  $B$ -field given by

$$e^{-2\Phi} = 1 + \sigma^2 \lambda^2 \frac{r_0^4}{r^2}, \\ B = \sigma \frac{r^2}{2} e^{2\Phi} \left[ \left( 2 - \frac{r_0^4}{r^4} \right) dx^+ - r_0^4 \lambda^2 dx^- \right] \wedge \eta.$$

# Temperature, etc.

- Energy:  $E = -P_+$ , Particle Number:  $N = r^-(-P_-)$ ;
- Temperature: surface gravity; Entropy: area law
- chemical potential  $\mu$ :  $g_{+-}$  component at the horizon

$$\begin{aligned} N/V &\propto (r^-)^2 \lambda^2 r_0^4, & E/V &\propto r^- r_0^4 \\ T &\propto r_0/\lambda & \mu &= 1/(r^- \lambda^2) \\ S/V &\propto \lambda r^- r_0^3. \end{aligned}$$

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- $E \propto T^4/\mu^2$ ,  $E/N \propto \mu$
- Dilatation  $x \rightarrow kx$ ,  $t \rightarrow k^2t$  should transform

$$T \rightarrow k^{-2}t, \quad E/V \rightarrow k^{-4}(E/V), \quad \mu \rightarrow k^{-2}\mu$$

- $E/V = T^2 f(\mu/T)$ .
- Why  $f(x) = x^{-2}$  for supergravity solutions ??  
(n.b. different from free theories)

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- $E/V = T^2 f(\mu/T) \rightarrow E/V = T^4/\mu^2$
- **Universal** prediction of having a weakly-curved gravity dual.

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# Deformed background

The metric

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is not Einstein, but a solution of the system

$$S = \int d^{d+3}x \sqrt{-g} \left[ R - 2\Lambda - \frac{1}{4} F_{\mu\nu} F^{\mu\nu} - \frac{m^2}{2} A_\mu A^\mu \right]$$

with  $A \propto r^z dx^+$ .

$$\Lambda = -(d+1)(d+2)/2, \quad m^2 = z(z+d).$$

Is it possible to embed it to 10d/11d supergravity ?

# Massive fields

Needs massive fields  $m^2 = z(z + d)$  in the reduction.

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$B_2 = A \wedge \eta \rightarrow A$  has  $m^2 = 8 \rightarrow z = 2$ .

$C_4 = \mathbb{A} \wedge \star\omega$  and  $ds^2(\text{SE}) = (d\varphi + \mathcal{A})^2 + \dots$

They mix  $\rightarrow$  Modes with  $m_+^2 = 24$  and  $m_-^2 = 0$ .  $\rightarrow z = 4$ .



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Ansatz:

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where  $ds^2(B_{KE}) + \eta^2$  is a Sasaki-Einstein metric.  
Nontrivial dilaton; other fields zero.

$$\begin{aligned} S &= \frac{1}{2} \int d^5x \sqrt{-g} \left[ R + 24e^{-u-4v} - 4e^{-6u-4v} - 8e^{-10v} \right. \\ &\quad - 5\partial_a u \partial^a u - \frac{15}{2} \partial_a v \partial^a v - \frac{1}{2} \partial_a \Phi \partial^a \Phi \\ &\quad \left. - \frac{1}{4} e^{-\Phi+4u+v} F_{ab} F^{ab} - 4e^{-\Phi-2u-3v} A_a A^a \right], \end{aligned}$$

where  $u = (2/5)(U - V)$  and  $v = (4/15)(4U + V)$

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- Can't turn on  $B$  alone.
- need to keep  $U$ : size of the base,  $V$ : size of the fiber,  $\Phi$ : dilaton
- $\theta$  eaten by  $A$  to become massive
- Action with  $\theta$ ,  $U$ ,  $V$ , and  $\Phi$  given in [Klebanov-Tseytlin] for  $S^5$ , [Benvenuti-Mahato-YT-Pando Zayas] for  $SE_5$

# Non-linear reduction with $m^2 = 24$

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$$F_5 = (1 + \star_{10}) [2\omega^2 \wedge (\eta + \mathcal{A}) + 2\omega^2 \wedge (\mathbb{A} - \mathcal{A}) \\ - \omega \wedge (\eta + \mathcal{A}) \wedge \mathbb{F}]$$

where  $\mathbb{F} = d\mathbb{A}$ ,  $\mathcal{F} = d\mathcal{A}$ .

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Again, this is a **consistent reduction!**

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## To do

- Extract more physics.
- What are the dual field theories ?
- How different are they from cold atoms ?