

Integrable 2d sigma models:

RG flow, deformations and dualities

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RG flow in bosonic 2d sigma model

$$S = \frac{1}{4\pi\alpha'} \int d^2z G_{mn}(x) \partial x^m \partial x^n, \quad \alpha' = \hbar = 1$$

∞ -coupling theory: $G_{mn}(x) = \delta_{mn} + \sum_r g_{mn;k_1\dots k_r} x^{k_1} \dots x^{k_r}$

$$\{g_{mn;k_1\dots k_r}\} \leftrightarrow \{R_{mnkl}, D_k R_{mnkl}, \dots\}$$

RG in ∞ -coupling space $\{g_r(t)\}$ [Ecker, Honerkamp 71; Friedan 80]

$$\frac{d}{dt} G_{mn} = \beta_{mn} + D_{(m} X_{n)}$$

$$\beta_{mn} = R_{mn} + \frac{1}{2} R_{mpqr} R_n^{pqr} + \dots$$

find G_{mn} and X_m when flow is restricted to finite subspace?

example – manifest **symmetry** (isometry of metric, e.g. S^n)

what if symmetry is hidden?

Conjecture: integrability \leftrightarrow invariance under RG flow

“sausage” model: deformed S^2 [Fateev, Onofri, Zamolodchikov 93]

solves 1-loop Ricci flow; quantum S-matrix behind
same as YB (η -) deformation [Klimcik 02; Delduc, Magro, Vicedo 13]
of $\frac{SO(3)}{SO(2)}$ [Hoare, Roiban, AT 14]

$$ds^2 = \frac{h}{1 + \varkappa^2 r^2} \left[\frac{dr^2}{1 - r^2} + (1 - r^2) d\phi^2 \right]$$

$$\frac{d}{dt} h = (1 + \varkappa^2) + \mathcal{O}(h^{-1})$$

$$\frac{d}{dt} \varkappa = h^{-1} \varkappa (1 + \varkappa^2) + \mathcal{O}(h^{-2})$$

- classical integrability \simeq inv. under 1-loop (i.e. Ricci) flow
appears to be true also in higher $D > 2$ dim examples

[Fateev 96; Lukyanov 13; ...]

- why hidden charges may constrain RG flow?

- example: T-duality makes non-abel. symmetries hidden yet should remain symmetry of RG equations

$$S^2 : ds^2 = h(dx^2 + \sin^2 x dy^2) \rightarrow \tilde{S}^2 : \widetilde{ds^2} = h(dx^2 + \frac{1}{\sin^2 x} d\tilde{y}^2)$$

S^2 : $SO(3)$ symmetry \rightarrow one coupling h

\tilde{S}^2 : only $SO(2)$ manifest but $SO(3)$ is hidden [Ricci, AT, Wolf 07]

still one-coupling?

how metric is deformed beyond 1-loop?

hidden symmetry: corrections to metric are correlated with corrections to T-duality transf. rule – only h runs

- similar questions about non-abelian duality
- hidden conserved charges expected to constrain RG flow

but metric will be deformed beyond 1-loop

(cf. add local counterterms to maintain symmetry / Ward ident.)

- early example: complex SG model [Pohlmeyer; Lund, Regge]

$$L = \frac{\partial \zeta^* \partial \zeta}{1 - \zeta \zeta^*} - m^2 \zeta^* \zeta \rightarrow (\partial \phi)^2 + \tan^2 \phi (\partial \theta)^2 - m^2 \sin^2 \phi$$

factorization of 1-loop S-matrix requires adding counterterm

[de Vega, Maillet 8; Bonneau, Delduc 85]

- exists exact quantum S-matrix satisf. YBE [Dorey, Hollowood 95]

origin of counterterms: relation to $\frac{SU(2)}{U(1)}$ gWZW

appear automatically in gWZW formulation [Hoare, AT 10]

- generalized sine-Gordon models: integrable deformations

of gauged WZW model [Hollowood, Miramontes et al 94, 97]

deformed as required by CFT [Dijkgraaf, Verlinde, Verlinde 91]

i.e. in order to satisfy 2-loop and higher conf. inv. cond. [AT 91]

- leading $\frac{1}{k}$ deformation of gWZW metric \rightarrow counterterm

required for factorization of 1-loop S-matrix [Hoare, AT 10]

Beyond leading 1-loop order:

classical σ -model will be non-trivially deformed

with number of RG running parameters preserved

motivation/reason: underlying quantum integrable S-matrix

depending on finite number of RG-invariant parameters

(RG scale/coupling hidden in dynamically generated mass)

- aim: study example of "sausage" model:

still 2-coupling (h, \varkappa) theory beyond 1-loop?

[Fateev, Onofri, Zamolodchikov]: generalization of ZZ S-matrix for S^2

for deformed S^2 : massive S-matrix depending on RG inv mass

and one quantized parameter:

suggests existence deformed-metric solution of RG eqs.

with just one running coupling

Construction of quantum deformation of η -model metric:
aided by special limits of classical metric

$$ds^2 = h \left[\frac{dr^2}{(1-r^2)(1+\varkappa^2 r^2)} + \frac{1-r^2}{1+\varkappa^2 r^2} d\phi^2 \right]$$

(i) $\varkappa = 0$: S^2 – no deformation

(ii) $\varkappa^2 = -1$: flat – no deformation

(iii) $\varkappa^2 \rightarrow -1$, $r^2 = 1 - (1 + \varkappa^2) \sinh^2 x$: $\frac{SO(1,2)}{SO(2)}$ gWZW

$$ds^2 = h(dx^2 + \tanh^2 x d\phi^2)$$

deformed by $\alpha' \sim h^{-1}$ corrections [Dijkgraaf, Verlinde, Verlinde 91]

similar deformation will be found for general \varkappa

Plan

- abelian T-duality

(path integral argument; quantum deformation)

- non-abelian duality

(deformation required for 2-loop consistency)

- gWZW: quantum deformation of effective σ -model

(corrections to 2d BH metric; generalized Sine-Gordon model)

- η -model

(quantum deformation of "sausage" $\frac{SO(3)}{SO(2)}$ or $\frac{SO(1,2)}{SO(2)}$ models)

- λ -model :

(2-loop deformation of $\frac{SO(1,2)}{SO(2)}$ model)

T-duality

$$ds^2 = dx^2 + M(x)dy^2$$

$$M \partial_m y \rightarrow \epsilon_{mn} \partial^n \tilde{y}, \quad y \rightarrow \tilde{y}, \quad M \rightarrow M^{-1}$$

path integral transformation:

$$M(\partial y)^2 \rightarrow \epsilon^{mn} \partial_m \tilde{y} A_n + M A^m A_m$$

$$A_m = \partial_m y + \epsilon_{mn} \partial^n \tilde{y}$$

integrate over (y, \bar{y}, \tilde{y}) with measures

$$\int d^2z \sqrt{g} M(dy)^2; \int d^2z \sqrt{g} M(d\bar{y})^2; \int d^2z \sqrt{g} M^{-1}(d\tilde{y})^2$$

$$\int [dy][d\bar{y}] e^{-\int d^2z \sqrt{g} M A^m A_m} = (\det Q)^{-1/2}$$

$$\int [d\bar{y}][d\tilde{y}] e^{-\int d^2z \sqrt{g} \partial^a \tilde{y} \partial_a \bar{y}} = (\det H)^{-1/2}$$

$$Z[M] = \int [dx][dy] e^{-\frac{1}{4\pi\alpha'} \int d^2z \sqrt{g} [(\partial x)^2 + M(x)(\partial_m y)^2]}$$

compare $Z[M]$ and dual-theory $Z[M^{-1}]$

compute det via anomaly (redefine to norm 1): [Schwarz, AT 92]

$$\frac{1}{2} \log \det Q = -\frac{1}{4\pi} \int d^2z \sqrt{g} \left[\frac{1}{12} R^{(2)} \nabla^{-2} R^{(2)} + \frac{1}{2} R^{(2)} \log M + \frac{1}{2} (\partial_m \log M)^2 \right]$$

$$\frac{1}{2} \log \det H = -\frac{1}{4\pi} \int d^2z \sqrt{g} \left[\frac{1}{12} R^{(2)} \nabla^{-2} R^{(2)} + \frac{1}{2} (\partial_m \log M)^2 \right]$$

$$\frac{Z[M]}{Z[M^{-1}]} = \frac{(\det H)^{1/2}}{(\det Q)^{1/2}} = e^{-\frac{1}{8\pi} \int d^2z \sqrt{g} R^{(2)} \log M(x)}$$

- dilaton shift found by [Buscher 88]; but missed det H and $(\partial \log M)^2$ contribution in det Q [AT 91; Schwarz, AT 92]
- on flat background with above definition of path integral

$$\int [dA] e^{-\int d^2z M A^m A_m} = (\det Q)^{-1/2} = e^{-\frac{1}{4\pi} \int d^2z \frac{1}{2} (\partial_m \log M)^2}$$

Corrections to T-duality transformation

- 1-loop beta-functions mapped to each other [Buscher 87]
 - if G_{mn} solves 2-loop RG equation then \tilde{G}_{mn} should be deformed to satisfy 2-loop RG
- in string context: solve α' -corrected Weyl inv conditions or effective eqs of motion [AT 91] (same for $O(d, d)$: [Panvel 92; ...])
- reason: undeformed $dx^2 + M(x)dy^2$ no longer solves 2-loop RG eqs (cf. 2d black hole metric)
 - in general: $G_{mn} = (G_{ij}, G_{yy} = M)$
$$ds^2 = G_{ij}(x)dx^i dx^j + M(x)dy^2, \quad M = e^{2\rho}$$
$$\tilde{\rho} = -\rho + \alpha'(\partial_i \rho)^2 + \dots, \quad \tilde{G}_{ij} = G_{ij}, \quad \tilde{\phi} = \phi - \rho + \frac{1}{2}\alpha'(\partial_i \rho)^2 + \dots$$
alternative (coordinate transformation):
$$\tilde{\rho} = -\rho, \quad \tilde{G}_{ij} = G_{ij} + 2\alpha' D_i D_j \rho + \dots$$
(to show: consider path integral with extra sources for x, y , etc.)

T-duality: integrability vs RG flow: S^2 example

$$ds^2 = h(dx^2 + \sin^2 x dy^2) \rightarrow \widetilde{ds}^2 = h(dx^2 + \frac{1}{\sin^2 x} d\tilde{y}^2)$$

- S^2 : $SO(3)$ symm: \rightarrow one coupling $h(t)$, metric not deformed
 - \tilde{S}^2 : only $SO(2)$ manifest but $SO(3)$ hidden
- still one-coupling theory? how metric is deformed?
- hidden symmetry \rightarrow corrections to metric are correlated with corrections to T-duality transformation rule – only h runs

Non-abelian duality

$$L(g) = h J_m^a J_m^a, \quad J_m^a = \text{tr}(t^a g^{-1} \partial_m g)$$

$$L(g) \rightarrow L(A, v) = \epsilon^{mn} v^a F_{mn}^a + h A_m^a A_m^a \rightarrow \tilde{L}(v)$$

$$F_{mn}^a = \partial_m A_n^a - \partial_n A_m^a + f^{abc} A_m^b A_n^c$$

$$\tilde{L}(v) = \partial_m v^a (M^{-1})_{ab}^{mn}(v) \partial_n v^b$$

$$M_{mn}^{ab} = h \eta_{mn} \delta^{ab} + \epsilon_{mn} f^{abc} v^c$$

[Freedman, Townsend 80; Fridling, Jevicki 84; Fradkin, AT 84]

• $L(g)$ is 1-coupling theory, inv under RG due to symmetry
what about $\tilde{L}(v)$? hidden symmetry should constrain RG flow?

[no direct relation to abelian T-duality: appears only
if add extra dimensions x^r and $\mathcal{M}(x) \text{tr}(g^{-1} \partial_m g)$]

• 2-loop problem found earlier for NAD of S^3 and S^2

[Subbotin, Tyutin 95; Balog, Forgacs, Horvath, Palla 96; Balazs et al 97]

- attempted resolution [Bonneau, Casteil 01]: deform σ -model with some new parameters; but why RG flow still 1-coupling?

- logic: add local counterterms to preserve symmetry that became hidden under duality [cf. abelian T-duality in S^2] hidden symmetry \rightarrow renormalizability with just one coupling

- explicit structure of required deformation:

path integral origin – integrate A_m^a : $A_m^a = \partial y_m^a + \epsilon_{mn} \partial^n \bar{y}_m^a$
 $\partial v \partial \bar{y} \rightarrow \det H$ here is trivial

$AM(v)A \rightarrow \det Q$ is non-trivial (v -dependent)

$$\frac{1}{2} \log \det Q \rightarrow -\frac{1}{4\pi} \int d^2z \sqrt{g} \left[\frac{1}{2} R^{(2)} \log M + \frac{1}{2} (\partial_m \log M)^2 \right]$$

- get dilaton shift under NAD

(in PV regularization [DeJaegher, Raeymaekers, Sevrin, Troost])

but also $(\partial_m \log M)^2$ term – here not cancelled by $\det H$

- similar $(\partial_m \log M)^2$ counterterm appears in λ -model below

gWZW: quantum deformation of effective σ -model

- CFT: geometry probed by point-like string (e.g. tachyon Φ)

$$T = \frac{1}{k+c_G} J_G^2 - \frac{1}{k+c_H} J_H^2 \quad [\text{Dijkgraaf, Verlinde, Verlinde 91}]$$

$$SL(2)/U(1): L_0 + \bar{L}_0 = H, \quad H\Phi \rightarrow \frac{1}{e^{-2\phi}\sqrt{G}} \partial_m (e^{-2\phi} \sqrt{G} G^{mn} \partial_n) \Phi$$

$$ds^2 = (k-2) \left(dr^2 + \frac{\tanh^2 r}{1-\frac{2}{k} \tanh^2 r} dy^2 \right), \quad e^{-2\phi} \sqrt{G} = \sinh r \cosh r$$

- alternative derivation: from local part of eff action in gWZW

[AT 93; Bars, Sfetsos 93]

$$S_{\text{eff}} = -\frac{k+c_G}{4\pi} \text{Tr} \left[\frac{1}{2} \int d^2x \, g^{-1} \partial_+ g g^{-1} \partial_- g - \frac{1}{3} \int d^3x \, (g^{-1} \partial_m g)^3 \right. \\ \left. + \int d^2x \, \left(A_+ \partial_- g g^{-1} - A_- g^{-1} \partial_+ g \right. \right. \\ \left. \left. - g^{-1} A_+ g A_- - \left[1 - \frac{2(c_G - c_H)}{k+c_G} \right] A_+ A_- \right) \right]$$

- equiv. leading $\frac{1}{k}$ correction: from $A_+ M A_- \rightarrow -\frac{1}{2} (\partial \log M)^2$
- same from preservation of conf inv at higher α' order [AT 91]

2d BH metric deformed by α' correction:

$$ds^2 = dx^2 + e^{2\rho(x)} dy^2, \quad \phi = \phi(x)$$

$$\rho = \ln \tanh \gamma x, \quad \phi = -\ln \cosh \gamma x, \quad \alpha' \gamma^2 = \frac{1}{k}$$

$$\beta_{mn} + 2D_m D_n \phi = 0, \quad \beta_{mn} = \alpha' R_{mn} + \frac{1}{2} \alpha'^2 R_{mpqr} R_n{}^{pqr} + \dots$$

$$\text{2d target space: } R_{m n k l} = \frac{1}{2} R (G_{mk} G_{nl} - G_{ml} G_{nk})$$

$$\beta_{mn} = \left(\frac{1}{2} \alpha' R + \frac{1}{4} \alpha'^2 R \right) G_{mn} + \dots, \quad R = -2(\rho'' + \rho'^2)$$

leading coefficients universal (scheme-independent)

solution to order α'^2 : [\[AT 91\]](#)

$$\rho = \ln \tanh \gamma x + \alpha' \gamma^2 \tanh^2 \gamma x + \mathcal{O}(\alpha'^2)$$

$$\phi = -\ln \cosh \gamma x + \frac{1}{2} \alpha' \gamma^2 \tanh^2 \gamma x + \mathcal{O}(\alpha'^2)$$

exact $SL(2)/U(1)$ gWZW metric [Dijkgraaf, Verlinde, Verlinde 91]

$$ds^2 = (k - 2) \left(dr^2 + \frac{\tanh^2 r}{1 - \frac{2}{k} \tanh^2 r} dy^2 \right)$$

$$r \rightarrow \gamma x, \quad \frac{1}{k-2} \rightarrow \alpha' \gamma^2$$

$$\begin{aligned} \rho &= \ln \tanh \gamma x - \frac{1}{2} \ln \left(1 - \frac{2\alpha' \gamma^2}{1 + 2\alpha' \gamma^2} \tanh^2 \gamma x \right) \\ &= \ln \tanh \gamma x + \alpha' \gamma^2 \tanh^2 \gamma x + \dots \end{aligned}$$

agreement to α'^2 order: deformation of metric
required to satisfy 2-loop conf. inv. condition
(extended to 4-loop order: [Jack, Jones, Panvel 92])

Application: generalized sine-Gordon model

$\frac{G}{H}$ gWZW + integrable "mass term" [Hollowood, Miramontes et al 97]

$$S = -\frac{k}{4\pi} \text{tr} \left[\frac{1}{2} \int d^2x \ g^{-1} \partial_+ g \ g^{-1} \partial_- g - \frac{1}{3} \int d^3x \ (g^{-1} \partial_m g)^3 \right. \\ \left. + \int d^2x \ [A_+ \partial_- g g^{-1} - A_- g^{-1} \partial_+ g - g^{-1} A_+ g A_- + A_+ A_- \right. \\ \left. + m^2 \int d^2x \ (g^{-1} T g T - T^2) \right]$$

• local part of quant. eff. action for gWZW [AT 93; Bars, Sfetsos 93]

$$S_{\text{eff}} = -\frac{k+c_G}{4\pi} \text{Tr} \left[\frac{1}{2} \int d^2x \ g^{-1} \partial_+ g \ g^{-1} \partial_- g - \frac{1}{3} \int d^3x \ (g^{-1} \partial_m g)^3 \right. \\ \left. + \int d^2x \ (A_+ \partial_- g g^{-1} - A_- g^{-1} \partial_+ g \right. \\ \left. - g^{-1} A_+ g A_- - [1 - \frac{2(c_G - c_H)}{k+c_G}] A_+ A_-) \right]$$

axially gauged $\frac{SU(2)}{U(1)}$: in gauge $g = e^{-\tau_3 \theta} e^{2\tau_1 \phi} e^{\tau_3 \theta}$

solve for A_{\pm} :

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{eff}} = \frac{k+2}{4\pi} \left[\partial_+ \phi \partial_- \phi + \frac{\tan^2 \phi}{1 - \frac{2}{k} \tan^2 \phi} \partial_+ \theta \partial_- \theta - m^2 \sin^2 \phi \right]$$

rescaling ϕ and expanding for $k \gg 1$

$$L_{\text{eff}} = \frac{1}{2} (\partial_+ \phi \partial_- \phi + \phi^2 \partial_+ \theta \partial_- \theta - m^2 \phi^2) \\ + \frac{2\pi}{k} \left(\frac{1}{3} \phi^4 \partial_+ \theta \partial_- \theta + \frac{m^2}{6} \phi^4 \right) + \mathcal{O}\left(\frac{1}{k^2}\right)$$

resulting 1-loop S-matrix factorizes [Hoare, AT 10]

• alternative approach: direct integrating out of $A_{\pm} \equiv A_{\pm} \tau_3$:

$$S = \frac{k}{4\pi} \int d^2x \left(\partial_+ \phi \partial_- \phi + \sin^2 \phi \partial_+ \theta \partial_- \theta - m^2 \sin^2 \phi \right. \\ \left. - A_+ \sin^2 \phi \partial_- \theta - A_- \sin^2 \phi \partial_+ \theta - \cos^2 \phi A_+ A_- \right)$$

definition: $A_+ = \partial_+ u$, $A_- = \partial_- \bar{u}$, $[dA] \rightarrow [dud\bar{u}]$

results in non-trivial quantum correction [AT 91; Schwarz, AT 92]

$$\int [dA] \exp \left[i \int d^2x \sqrt{g} M A_+ A_- \right]$$
$$= \exp \left[\frac{i}{4\pi} \int d^2x \sqrt{g} \left(-\frac{1}{2} R^{(2)} \ln M - \frac{1}{2} \partial_+ \ln M \partial_- \ln M \right) \right]$$

i.e. in addition to dilaton shift $-\frac{1}{8\pi} \int d^2x \sqrt{g} R^{(2)} \ln M$

get finite 1-loop correction $\Delta L = -\frac{1}{2} \partial_+ \ln M \partial_- \ln M$

• here: $M = \cos^2 \phi \rightarrow$ extra $\frac{1}{k}$ quantum term in the action

$$\mathcal{L} = \frac{k}{4\pi} \left[\partial_+ \phi \partial_- \phi + \tan^2 \phi \partial_+ \theta \partial_- \theta - m^2 \sin^2 \phi - \frac{2}{k} \tan^2 \phi \partial_+ \phi \partial_- \phi \right]$$
$$\rightarrow \partial_+ \phi \partial_- \phi + \phi^2 \partial_+ \theta \partial_- \theta - m^2 \phi^2 + \frac{4\pi}{3k} \left(\phi^4 \partial_+ \theta \partial_- \theta + \frac{1}{2} m^2 \phi^4 \right)$$

related to above by field redefinition:

gives same YBE-consistent 1-loop S-matrix [Hoare, AT 10]

η -model: quantum corrections to "sausage" metric

Recall special limits:

$$ds^2 = h \left[\frac{dr^2}{(1-r^2)(1+\kappa^2 r^2)} + \frac{1-r^2}{1+\kappa^2 r^2} d\phi^2 \right]$$

- $\kappa = 0$ is S^2 ; $\kappa^2 = -1$ is flat
- $\kappa^2 \rightarrow -1$ with $r^2 \rightarrow 1 - (1 + \kappa^2) \sinh^2 r$:

$$\frac{SO(1,2)}{SO(2)} \text{ gWZW: } \quad ds^2 = h(dr^2 + \tanh^2 r d\phi^2)$$

- follow analogy with exact gWZW metric:

$$ds^2 = h \left[dr^2 + \left(\coth^2 r - \frac{2}{q} \right)^{-1} dy^2 \right]$$

$$q = h + 2 = k, \quad h = k - 2$$

- proposed exact solution of RG eqs.:

$$ds^2 = h \left[\frac{dr^2}{(1-r^2)(1+\varkappa^2 r^2)} + \left(\frac{1+\varkappa^2 r^2}{1-r^2} + \frac{2}{q} \right)^{-1} d\phi^2 \right]$$

$$q = \frac{h+1-\varkappa^2}{\varkappa^2}, \quad q^{-1} = \varkappa^2 h^{-1} [1 - h^{-1}(1-\varkappa^2) + \dots]$$

(modulo field/scheme and coordinate redefinitions)

Consistency checks:

- no deformation for $\varkappa = 0$ (S^2) and $\varkappa^2 = -1$ (flat space)
- in gWZW limit: $\varkappa^2 \rightarrow -1$, $r^2 \rightarrow 1 - (1 + \varkappa^2) \sinh^2 r$:

$$ds^2 = h \left[dr^2 + \left(\coth^2 r - \frac{2}{h+2} \right)^{-1} dy^2 \right]$$

same as exact gWZW metric with $h = k - 2$

- direct confirmation at **2-loop** order:

$$\frac{d}{dt}G_{mn} = \beta_{mn} + D_{(m}X_{n)}$$

$$\beta_{mn} = R_{mn} + \frac{1}{2}R_{mpqr}R_n^{pqr} + \dots = \left(\frac{1}{2}R + \frac{1}{4}R^2\right)G_{mn} + \dots$$

solution for specific X_n with only h and \varkappa running:

$$ds^2 = h \left[\frac{dr^2}{(1-r^2)(1+\varkappa^2 r^2)} + \frac{1-r^2}{1+\varkappa^2 r^2} \left(1 - \frac{2\varkappa^2}{h} \frac{1-r^2}{1+\varkappa^2 r^2} + \dots \right) d\phi^2 \right]$$

$$\frac{d}{dt}h = (1 + \varkappa^2) + h^{-1}(1 + \varkappa^2)^2 + \mathcal{O}(h^{-2})$$

$$\frac{d}{dt}\varkappa = h^{-1}\varkappa(1 + \varkappa^2) + \mathcal{O}(h^{-2})$$

matches $\frac{1}{h}$ term in exact metric

3-loop order:

$$\beta_{mn} = \left[\frac{1}{2}R + \frac{1}{4}R^2 + c_1 R^3 + c_2 (DR)^2 + c_3 RD^2R \right] G_{mn} + c_4 D_m R D_n R$$

minimal subtraction scheme [\[Graham 87; Foakes, Mohammadi 87\]](#)

$$c_1 = \frac{5}{32}, \quad c_2 = \frac{1}{16}, \quad c_3 = 0, \quad c_4 = -\frac{1}{16}$$

exact metric renormalizable in scheme $(G_{mn} \rightarrow (1 + \frac{3}{16}R^2)G_{mn})$

$$c_1 = \frac{1}{4}, \quad c_2 = -\frac{1}{8}, \quad c_3 = 0, \quad c_4 = \frac{1}{16}$$

RG running to 4-loop order:

$$\frac{d}{dt}h = (1 + \varkappa^2) \left[1 + h^{-1}(1 + \varkappa^2) + 2h^{-2}(1 + \varkappa^2)(1 - \varkappa^2) + \mathcal{O}(h^{-3}) \right]$$

$$\frac{d}{dt}\varkappa = h^{-1}\varkappa(1 + \varkappa^2) \left[1 + \mathcal{O}(h^{-3}) \right]$$

- $\varkappa^2 = -1$: exact fixed point (flat space)
- $\varkappa = 0$: RG eq for h reduces to S^2 case

Remarks:

- $\varkappa^2 = -1$: flat space

$$ds^2 = h \left[\frac{dr^2}{(1-r^2)^2} + (1 + 2h^{-1}) d\phi^2 \right], \quad \mathfrak{q}|_{\varkappa^2=-1} = -(h+2)$$

- the flow is effectively 1-coupling one: exists RG invariant

$$v = \frac{h+1-\varkappa^2}{\varkappa} = \varkappa \mathfrak{q}, \quad \frac{d}{dt} v = 0$$

generalizes 1-loop relation $\frac{d}{dt} \left(\frac{h}{\varkappa} \right) = 0$

- relation of exact metric to quantum trigonometric S-matrix?

[Fateev, Onofri, Zamolodchikov 93]

massive S-matrix has perturbative expansion near

$$v^{-1} = \frac{\varkappa}{h+1-\varkappa^2} = \frac{1}{2}$$

describes scattering of free massive scalar and Dirac fermion
or 2 massive scalars after bosonization

→ strong-coupling dual of κ -deformed S^2 σ -model

(cf. Sine-Liouville model vs 2d BH model)

can one reconstruct exact metric? (cf. [\[Litvinov, Spodyneiko 18\]](#))

• (1,1) susy σ -model case: first correction to 1-loop $\beta_{mn} = R_{mn}$

at 4 loops $\sim \zeta(3)R^4$ (in minimal scheme) $\rightarrow 0$ in 2d case

no deformation in gWZW case (to all orders)

same expected here:

no deformation but h is running as in S^2 case

η -deformation of $H^2 = \frac{SO(1,2)}{SO(2)}$

relation to deformed S^2 by formal continuation:

$$r \rightarrow ir, \quad \phi \rightarrow i\phi, \quad \varkappa \rightarrow i\varkappa, \quad h \rightarrow -h$$

$$ds^2 = h \left[\frac{dr^2}{(1+r^2)(1+\varkappa^2 r^2)} + \frac{1+r^2}{1+\varkappa^2 r^2} d\phi^2 \right]$$

- $\varkappa = 0$ is H^2 ; $\varkappa = 1$ is flat
- $\varkappa \rightarrow 1$ with $r^2 \rightarrow -1 + (1 - \varkappa^2) \sinh^2 r$:

$$ds^2 = h(-dr^2 + \tanh^2 r d\phi^2)$$

related to $\frac{SO(1,2)}{SO(2)}$ gWZW by continuation ($\phi \rightarrow i\phi, h \rightarrow -h$)

- like $\frac{SO(1,2)}{SO(2)}$ gWZW model is self T-dual: inv under

$$\phi \rightarrow \tilde{\phi}, \quad \tilde{\phi} \rightarrow \varkappa^{-1} \phi, \quad r \rightarrow \varkappa^{-1} r^{-1}$$

- conformally-flat coordinates: $r = \frac{q}{p}$, $\phi = \frac{1}{2} \log(p^2 + q^2)$

$$ds^2 = \frac{h}{p^2 + \varkappa^2 q^2} (dp^2 + dq^2)$$

ϕ -shift isometry became scaling $(p, q) \rightarrow \lambda(p, q)$

- exact metric (analytic continuation of $\frac{SO(3)}{SO(2)}$ case):

$$\varkappa \rightarrow i\varkappa, \quad h \rightarrow -h: \quad q = \frac{h-1-\varkappa^2}{\varkappa^2}$$

$$ds^2 = h \left[\frac{dr^2}{(1+r^2)(1+\varkappa^2 r^2)} + \left(\frac{1+\varkappa^2 r^2}{1+r^2} + \frac{2}{q} \right)^{-1} d\phi^2 \right]$$

- $\varkappa \rightarrow 1$, $r^2 \rightarrow -1 + (1 - \varkappa^2) \sinh^2 r$: exact $\frac{SO(1,2)}{SO(2)}$ gWZW

- exact metric in "conformal" coordinates (p, q) :

$$ds^2 = \frac{h(dp^2 + dq^2)}{p^2 + \varkappa^2 q^2} - \frac{\varkappa^2}{2} \frac{[d \log(p^2 + q^2)]^2}{1 - \frac{1-\varkappa^2}{h} \frac{p^2 - \varkappa^2 q^2}{p^2 + \varkappa^2 q^2}}$$

- quantum correction trivial for $\varkappa = 0$ (H^2) and $\varkappa^2 = 1$ (flat)
- leading 2-loop correction:

$$ds^2 = h \frac{dp^2 + dq^2}{p^2 + \varkappa^2 q^2} - \frac{\varkappa^2}{2} \frac{[d(p^2 + q^2)]^2}{(p^2 + \varkappa^2 q^2)^2}$$

Quantum deformation of λ -model

$$L = gWZW_G + APA, \quad P = P_{G/H}$$

[Sfetsos 13; Hollowood, Miramontes, Schmidt 14]

$$L = k \operatorname{tr} \left[\frac{1}{2} (g^{-1} \partial g)^2 + A_+ \partial_- g g^{-1} - A_- g^{-1} \partial_+ g \right. \\ \left. - g^{-1} A_+ g A_- + A_+ A_- + b^{-2} A_+ P A_- \right] + k WZ(g)$$

• $b \rightarrow 0$: $PA_{\pm} = 0 \rightarrow G/H$ gWZW model

• $k \rightarrow \infty, b \rightarrow \infty, g = e^{v/k}$: NAD model

$$L = \operatorname{tr}(v F_{+-} + h A_+ A_-), \quad h = k b^{-2}$$

• $G = SO(1,2), H = SO(2)$: integrate out A_{\pm}

$$g = \exp(\alpha \sigma_3) \exp(i\beta \sigma_2), \quad \cosh \alpha = \sqrt{p^2 + q^2}, \quad \tan \beta = \frac{p}{q}$$

$$\mathcal{L} = \frac{k}{p^2 + q^2 - 1} (\kappa \partial_+ p \partial_- p + \kappa^{-1} \partial_+ q \partial_- q), \quad \kappa \equiv (1 + 2b^2)^{-1}$$

- alternative form: $p \rightarrow a^{-1}p, q \rightarrow a^{-1}\kappa \bar{q}$

$$ds^2 = \frac{h}{p^2 + \kappa^2 \bar{q}^2 - a^2} (dp^2 + d\bar{q}^2), \quad h \equiv k \kappa$$

- $a = 0$: $\frac{SO(1,2)}{SO(2)}$ η -model (cf. T-self-dual) [Hoare, AT 15]

$$ds^2 = \frac{h}{p^2 + \varkappa^2 \bar{q}^2} (dp^2 + d\bar{q}^2), \quad h \equiv k \kappa, \quad \varkappa \equiv \kappa$$

- $\kappa = 1, a = 1$: $(p, q) = \cosh \alpha (\cos \beta, \sin \beta)$

$$\frac{SO(1,2)}{SO(2)} \text{ gWZW:} \quad ds^2 = k(d\alpha^2 + \coth^2 \alpha d\beta^2)$$

- $\kappa \rightarrow 0, k \rightarrow \infty, a = 1, p = \kappa X, \bar{q} = \kappa^{-1} + \kappa Y$:

$$\text{NAD of } H^2: \quad ds^2 = \frac{h}{X^2 + 2Y} (dX^2 + dY^2)$$

- $\kappa \rightarrow 0, k \rightarrow \infty, a = 1, p = \cosh \alpha$: special NAD (abelian)

$$\text{T-dual of } H^2: \quad ds^2 = h(d\alpha^2 + \frac{1}{\sinh^2 \alpha} d\bar{q}^2)$$

Leading quantum correction to λ -model metric:

- 1-loop renormalizable [Isios,Sfetsos,Siampos 14; Appadu,Hollowood 15]
what happens at 2-loop level?
- deformation from integral over A_{\pm} as in gWZW case:

$$L = \dots + A_+ M A_- , \quad M = I - \text{Ad}_{g^{-1}} + b^{-2} P$$

$$\Delta L = -\frac{1}{2} (\partial_m \log \det M)^2 \rightarrow -\frac{1}{2} [\partial_m \log(p^2 + q^2 - 1)]^2$$

one-loop corrected metric:

$$ds^2 = \kappa \frac{\kappa dp^2 + \kappa^{-1} dq^2}{p^2 + q^2 - 1} - \frac{1}{2} \frac{[d(p^2 + q^2)]^2}{(p^2 + q^2 - 1)^2}$$

- manifest Z_2 invariance: $p \leftrightarrow q$, $\kappa \rightarrow \kappa^{-1}$

Direct check: corrected metric solves 2-loop RG eqs

$$\frac{d}{dt}G_{mn} = \left(\frac{1}{2}R + \frac{1}{4}R^2 + \dots\right)G_{mn} + D_m X_n + D_n X_m$$

$$X_p = \frac{p}{p^2+q^2-1} \left[1 + \frac{1}{k} \frac{\kappa(p^2-1) - \kappa^{-1}p^2}{p^2+q^2-1}\right]$$

$$X_q = \frac{q}{p^2+q^2-1} \left[1 + \frac{1}{k} \frac{\kappa^{-1}(q^2-1) - \kappa q^2}{p^2+q^2-1}\right]$$

$$\frac{d}{dt}k = (\kappa^{-1} - \kappa)^2 k^{-1} + \mathcal{O}(k^{-2})$$

$$\frac{d}{dt}\kappa = -(1 - \kappa^2)k^{-1} + \mathcal{O}(k^{-3})$$

- exists RG invariant (as in η -model)

$$v = k - (\kappa^{-1} + \kappa) + \mathcal{O}(k^{-1}), \quad \frac{d}{dt}v = 0$$

1-coupling theory in disguise; consistency with $k=\text{integer}$?

Consistency checks:

- gWZW limit: $\kappa \rightarrow 1$, $(p, q) = (1 - k^{-1}) \cosh \alpha (\cos \beta, \sin \beta)$

$$ds^2 = k(d\alpha^2 + \coth^2 \alpha d\beta^2) - 2(d\alpha^2 - \frac{\coth^2 \alpha}{\sinh^2 \alpha} d\beta^2) + \mathcal{O}(k^{-1})$$

matches large k expansion of exact gWZW metric

$$ds^2 = (k - 2) \left(d\alpha^2 + \frac{\coth^2 \alpha d\beta^2}{1 - \frac{2}{k} \coth^2 \alpha} \right)$$

- η -model limit: $(\kappa, k) \rightarrow (\varkappa, h)$ and scaling of coordinates

$$\kappa = \varkappa \left[1 + \frac{2(1 - \varkappa^2)}{h} \right], \quad h = k \kappa$$

$$p \rightarrow a^{-1} p, \quad q \rightarrow a^{-1} \varkappa \left(1 + \frac{1 - \varkappa^2}{h} \right) q, \quad a \rightarrow 0$$

$$ds^2 = h \frac{dp^2 + dq^2}{p^2 + \varkappa^2 q^2} - \frac{\varkappa^2}{2} \frac{[d(p^2 + q^2)]^2}{(p^2 + \varkappa^2 q^2)^2} + \mathcal{O}(h^{-1})$$

$$\frac{d}{dt} h = -(1 - \varkappa^2) + (1 - \varkappa^2)^2 h^{-1} + \mathcal{O}(h^{-2})$$

$$\frac{d}{dt} \varkappa = -\varkappa(1 - \varkappa^2) h^{-1} + \mathcal{O}(h^{-3}) \rightarrow$$

$$\frac{d}{dt} k = (\kappa^{-1} - \kappa)^2 k^{-1} + \mathcal{O}(k^{-2}), \quad \frac{d}{dt} \kappa = -(1 - \kappa^2) k^{-1} + \mathcal{O}(k^{-3})$$

- RG invariant

$$\nu \equiv \frac{h}{\varkappa} - (\varkappa^{-1} + \varkappa) + \mathcal{O}(h^{-1}) = \mathbf{k} - (\kappa^{-1} + \kappa) + \mathcal{O}(\mathbf{k}^{-1})$$

$\hat{q} = \exp\left(\frac{i\pi}{\nu}\right)$ is parameter in exact S-matrix?

- gWZW limit:

$$\kappa = 1 = \varkappa, \quad \nu = h - 2 = k - 2, \quad \hat{q} = \exp\left(\frac{i\pi}{k-2}\right)$$

consistent with quantization of k

- general κ : need extra counterterm $\sim (\varkappa^{-1} + \varkappa)$
to have k as RG invariant?

NAD limit:

$$\kappa \rightarrow 0, \mathbf{k} \rightarrow \infty, \quad h \equiv \mathbf{k} \kappa$$

$$p = \kappa X, \quad q = 1 + \kappa^2 Y:$$

$$ds^2 = h \frac{dX^2 + dY^2}{X^2 + 2Y} - \frac{1}{2} \frac{[d(X^2 + 2Y)]^2}{(X^2 + 2Y)^2}$$

- 2-loop renormalizable with **same** 2-loop β -function as for H^2

$$\frac{d}{dt} h = -1 + h^{-1} + \mathcal{O}(h^{-2})$$

- NAD is consistent with 2-loop RG once metric is deformed:
resolves earlier problem with NAD at 2 loops –
NAD should commute with α' pert. theory or string eff. action
- same should be for Poisson-Lie duality at 2-loop level
(λ -model and η -model are PL dual [Hoare, AT 15; Vicedo 15])

Summary:

- like in conformal theories RG flow in integrable σ -models requires specific quantum deformation of the metric, etc.
- exact metric for η -deformation of S^2 or H^2 which solves 3-loop RG flow equations and consistent with gWZW limit
- leading-order deformation of λ -model consistent with 2-loop RG flow, gWZW and η -model limits
- key role of $(\partial \log M)^2$ finite counterterm from integration over 2d auxiliary gauge field
- resolution of problem with non-abelian duality at 2-loop level
- same should be true for general (in) homog. YB deformations
- as η -model and λ -model are formally related by PL duality same should apply to PL duality: should commute with RG once backgrounds are properly modified

Some open problems:

- exact metric in λ -model ?
(non-conformal, eff action approach used in $gWZW$ case does not appear to apply)
- generalization to 3-dim target space: deformations of S^3
(non-zero B -field, NAD of S^3 at 2-loop level – in progress)
- interpretation of exact metric of η -model?
(deformation of integrable structure, Hamiltonian in phase space)
- connection to massive non-perturbative S-matrix [[Fateev et al](#)]
(cf. derivation of σ -model from dual massive theory [[Litvinov, Spodyneiko 18](#)])