

Towards the simplest EFT

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Our world up to now looks perturbative (S-matrix exists)

What can we expect in the UV?

- Continues to be perturbative, with IR degrees of freedom still present in the UV (Four fermi \rightarrow Electro Weak) **S-matrix exists**
- Becomes non-perturbative, with IR degrees of freedom still present in the UV (Quantum Gravity) **S-matrix may exists**
- Becomes non-perturbative, with IR degrees of freedom emerging as bound state (Pions \rightarrow QCD) **S-matrix exists**
- Becomes a CFT **S-matrix does not exists, even non-lagrangian**

Becomes a CFT S -matrix does not exist, even non-lagrangian

- Bootstrap approach (see Heng-Yu's talk)
- Vacuum manifold \rightarrow spontaneous symmetry breaking \rightarrow Goldstone bosons (EFT)
 S -matrix does exist

What is the space of consistent EFT (from CFT)?

In a EFT we have an infinite set of irrelevant operators

$$\mathcal{L}_{EFT} = \mathcal{L}_{marginal} + \sum_i c_i \mathcal{O}_i(\partial, \phi)$$

In general $c_i \rightarrow c_i(g, N)$

- For non-lagrangian theories c_i is simply a number!
- For theories with S-duality, $c_i(g, N)$ is constrained
- With SUSY some c_i are determined exactly

How much constraint can we impose in the IR on \mathcal{L}_{EFT} ?

The existence of a UV completion $\rightarrow c_i$ of higher dimension operators must be **Positive**
Adams, Arkani-Hamed, Dubovsky, Nicolis, Rattazzi

- DBI

$$\mathcal{L} = -f^4 \sqrt{1 - (\partial y)^2} = f^4 \left[-1 + \frac{(\partial y)^2}{2} + \frac{(\partial y)^4}{8} + \dots \right]$$

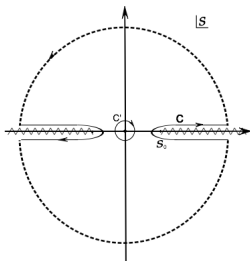
- String theory

$$\mathcal{M}^{\text{Regge}}(s, t \rightarrow 0) = -\psi_2(1) s^4 + \frac{-\psi_4(1)}{192} s^6 + \frac{-\psi_6(1)}{92160} s^8 + \dots$$

Prelude

Unitarity: The parameters enter into M_4 :

$$M(s, t \rightarrow 0) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} f_n s^n + \mathcal{O}(s^2/t).$$

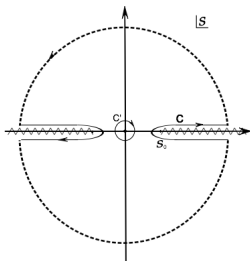


$$f_n = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \oint_C \frac{ds}{s^{n+1}} [M(s, t \rightarrow 0) + \mathcal{O}(s^2/t)]$$

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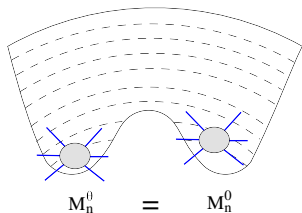
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$$f_n = \frac{2}{\pi} \int_{s_0}^{\infty} ds \frac{\sigma(s)}{s^n} > 0.$$

The D.O.F. for \mathcal{L}_{EFT} are Goldstone bosons \rightarrow Adler's zero

$$M_n(\pi_1 \cdots) |_{p_1 \rightarrow 0} = 0$$



$$e^{\theta G} |0\rangle = |\theta\rangle, \quad M_n^0 \equiv \langle 0 | \cdots | 0 \rangle$$

$$M_n^\theta \equiv \langle \theta | \cdots | \theta \rangle = M_n^0 + M_{n+\pi}^0 + M_{n+\pi+\pi}^0 + \cdots$$

The U(1) goldstone bosons are derivatively coupled: $\mathcal{L}(\partial\phi)$ (Non-abelian extension see I. Low 14)

Space-time symmetry breaking are different

- The generators have non-trivial commutator with P

$$[P, K] \sim D$$

The Goldstone modes of the broken generators are derivatively related **One dilaton**

- For sCFT, there will be associated broken internal symmetries **pions**

There are multiple Goldstone modes for spontaneous space-time symmetry breaking

What does this imply for the effective action?

Outline

- New soft theorems for spacetime symmetry breaking
- Perturbative and non-perturbative checks
- Constraints on the effective action
- Constraints from maximal SUSY
- Scale vs Conformal Symmetry

Ward identity

$$\partial_\mu \langle J^\mu(x) \phi(x_1) \cdots \phi(x_n) \rangle = - \sum_i \delta(x - x_i) \langle \phi(x_1) \cdots \delta\phi(x_i) \cdots \phi(x_n) \rangle$$

Spontaneous symmetry breaking implies $J^\mu |0\rangle = p^\mu |phys\rangle$

- LHS: performing LSZ reduction on $i = 1, \dots, n \rightarrow M_n(\pi_1 \cdots) |_{p_1 \rightarrow 0} = 0$
- RHS: $\begin{cases} = 0 & \text{if } \delta\phi \neq |phys\rangle \\ \neq 0 & \text{if } \delta\phi = |phys\rangle \end{cases}$

Conventional spontaneous symmetry breaking: $\delta\phi = \text{constant}$ hence Adler's zero

Soft theorems

Spontaneous broken dilation and conformal boost generator leads to single dilaton,

$$[K, D] \sim K$$

The dilaton transforms linearly under the broken generator \rightarrow non-vanishing soft-limits:

Boels, Wormsbecher, Y-t Wen, Di Vecchia, Marotta, Mojaza, Nohle

$$M_n|_{p_n \rightarrow 0} = \left(\mathcal{S}_n^{(0)} + \mathcal{S}_n^{(1)} \right) M_{n-1} + \mathcal{O}(p_n^2),$$

$(\mathcal{S}_n^{(0)}, \mathcal{S}_n^{(1)})$ are universal soft functions

$$\mathcal{S}_n^{(0)} = \sum_{i=1}^{n-1} \left(p_i \cdot \frac{\partial}{\partial p_i} + \frac{d-2}{2} \right) - d,$$

$$\mathcal{S}_n^{(1)} = p_n^\mu \sum_{i=1}^{n-1} \left[p_i^\nu \frac{\partial^2}{\partial p_i^\nu \partial p_i^\mu} - \frac{p_{i\mu}}{2} \frac{\partial^2}{\partial p_{i\nu} \partial p_i^\nu} + \frac{d-2}{2} \frac{\partial}{\partial p_i^\mu} \right].$$

Soft theorems

There's more! In general CFTs with scalar moduli space has “flavor” symmetry, which will be spontaneously broken along with conformal symmetry \rightarrow pions

Exp: $\mathcal{N} = 4$ SYM on Coulomb branch, 6 massless scalars (1 dilaton φ , 5 $\text{SO}(6) \rightarrow \text{SO}(5)$ GBs ϕ^I)

$$A_n(\phi_1, \dots, \phi_n^I) \Big|_{p_n \rightarrow 0} = \sum_i A_{n-1}(\dots, \delta^I O, \dots) + \mathcal{O}(p_n^1).$$

where $\delta^I \varphi = \phi^I$ and $\delta^I \phi^J = -\delta^{IJ} \varphi$.

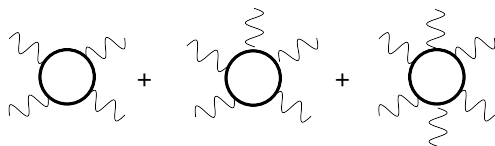
The soft theorems should be respected

- In the UV where massive D.o.F are present
- In the IR where massive D.o.F integrated away perturbatively
- In the IR where massive D.o.F integrated away non-perturbatively

Let's check

Perturbative Verifications

The one-loop effective action of $\mathcal{N} = 4$ SYM on the Coulomb branch, up to six fields



Derived from the integrand of SYM in D -dimensions (scalars: $\epsilon \cdot k_i = 0$, $\epsilon \cdot \ell = m$ for φ , $\epsilon \cdot \ell = 0$ for ϕ^I)

$$\mathcal{L}_{1\text{-loop}}^{\text{SU}(4) \text{ singlet}} = \frac{g^4 N}{32m^4 \pi^2} \left(\mathcal{O}_{F^4} + \frac{\mathcal{O}_{D^4 F^4}}{2^3 \times 15 m^4} - \frac{2\mathcal{O}_{D^2 F^6}}{15 m^6} + \frac{\mathcal{O}_{D^4 F^6}}{2^3 \times 21 m^8} - \frac{\mathcal{O}_{D^6 F^6}}{2 \times 15^2 m^{10}} + \dots \right)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{L}_{1\text{-loop}}^{\text{Sp}(4)} = & \frac{\partial^4 \varphi^4}{16 m^4} + \frac{\partial^8 \varphi^4}{960 m^8} + \frac{\partial^4 \varphi^5}{4 m^6} + \frac{\partial^8 \varphi^5}{480 m^{10}} - \frac{5 \partial^4 \varphi^6}{4 m^6} \\ & - \frac{\partial^8 \varphi^6}{480 m^{10}} + \frac{\partial^{10} \varphi^6}{2^{10} 3^5 m^{12}} + \frac{\partial^{12} \varphi^6}{2^{11} 3^2 m^{14}} + \frac{\partial^4 \varphi^2 \phi'^2}{8 m^4} - \frac{5 \partial^4 \varphi^2 \phi'^4}{4 m^6} + \frac{\partial^4 \varphi^4 \phi'^2}{4 m^6} + \dots \end{aligned}$$

Perturbative Verifications

$$\begin{aligned}
 \partial^4 \varphi^m &: \sum_{i < j} s_{ij}^2, & \partial^8 \varphi^4 &: \left(\sum_{i < j} s_{ij}^2 \right)^2, & \partial^8 \varphi^5 &: \left(\sum_{i < j} s_{ij}^2 \right)^2, \\
 \partial^8 \varphi^6 &: -\frac{b_1^{(4)}}{6} + \frac{5b_2^{(4)}}{768} + \frac{b_3^{(4)}}{36} - \frac{3b_4^{(4)}}{2}, \\
 \partial^{10} \varphi^6 &: -\frac{48b_1^{(5)}}{7} + \frac{36b_2^{(5)}}{35} + \frac{108b_3^{(5)}}{7} + \frac{114b_4^{(5)}}{35} + \frac{60b_5^{(5)}}{7}, \\
 \partial^{12} \varphi^6 &: \frac{433b_1^{(6)}}{1350} - \frac{58b_2^{(6)}}{2025} + \frac{20b_3^{(6)}}{9} + \frac{117b_4^{(6)}}{35} - \frac{184b_5^{(6)}}{945}, \\
 & -\frac{74b_6^{(6)}}{45} + \frac{334b_7^{(6)}}{315} + \frac{177b_8^{(6)}}{35} - \frac{64b_9^{(6)}}{63} + \frac{104b_{10}^{(6)}}{105}, \\
 \partial^4 \varphi^2 \phi^2 &: s_{12}^2 - s_{13}^2 - s_{23}^2, & \partial^4 \varphi^2 \phi^4 &: b_{1,S_2 \times S_4}^{(2)} - b_{2,S_2 \times S_4}^{(2)} + b_{3,S_2 \times S_4}^{(2)} - \frac{8}{5} b_{4,S_2 \times S_4}^{(2)} \\
 \partial^4 \varphi^4 \phi^2 &: b_{1,S_2 \times S_4}^{(2)} - b_{2,S_2 \times S_4}^{(2)} + b_{3,S_2 \times S_4}^{(2)} - 8b_{4,S_2 \times S_4}^{(2)} \\
 \\
 b_1^{(4)} &= s_{12}^4 + \mathcal{P}_6, & b_2^{(4)} &= (s_{12}^2 + \mathcal{P}_6)^2, & b_3^{(4)} &= s_{12}^2 s_{13}^2 + \mathcal{P}_6, \\
 b_4^{(4)} &= s_{123}^4 + \mathcal{P}_6, & b_1^{(5)} &= s_{12}^5 + \mathcal{P}_6, & b_2^{(5)} &= s_{12}^2 s_{123}^3 + \mathcal{P}_6, \\
 b_3^{(5)} &= s_{12}^3 s_{13}^3 + \mathcal{P}_6, & b_4^{(5)} &= s_{12}^2 s_{34}^3 + \mathcal{P}_6, & b_5^{(5)} &= s_{123}^5 + \mathcal{P}_6 \\
 b_1^{(6)} &= s_{12}^6 + \mathcal{P}_6, & b_2^{(6)} &= s_{123}^6 + \mathcal{P}_6, & b_3^{(6)} &= s_{12}^4 s_{13}^2 + \mathcal{P}_6, \\
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 b_7^{(6)} &= s_{12}^2 s_{123}^4 + \mathcal{P}_6, & b_8^{(6)} &= s_{14}^2 s_{123}^4 + \mathcal{P}_6, & b_9^{(6)} &= s_{14}^4 s_{123}^2 + \mathcal{P}_6, \\
 b_{10}^{(6)} &= s_{123}^2 s_{124}^2 s_{135}^2 + \mathcal{P}_6, & b_{1,S_2 \times S_4}^{(2)} &= s_{12}^2, & b_{2,S_2 \times S_4}^{(2)} &= s_{13}^2 + \mathcal{P}_{\{12|3456\}} \\
 b_{3,S_2 \times S_4}^{(2)} &= s_{34}^2 + \mathcal{P}_{\{12|3456\}}, & b_{4,S_2 \times S_4}^{(2)} &= s_{12} s_{13} + \mathcal{P}_{\{12|3456\}}
 \end{aligned}$$

All soft theorems are satisfied



Non-Perturbative Verifications

The instanton effective action of $\mathcal{N} = 4$ SYM on the Coulomb branch, Massimo, Morales, Wen

$$S_{\text{eff}}^{1\text{-inst}} = c' \frac{g^4}{\pi^6} e^{2\pi i \tau} \int \frac{d^4 x d^8 \theta \sqrt{\det_{4N} 2\bar{\Phi}_{Au, Bv}}}{\sqrt{\det_{2N} \left(\Phi^{AB} \bar{\Phi}_{AB} + \frac{1}{g} \bar{\mathcal{F}} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{2g}} \bar{\Lambda}_A (\Phi^{-1})^{AB} \bar{\Lambda}_B \right)_{\dot{\alpha}u, \dot{\beta}v}}}.$$

The $\mathcal{N} = 4$ on-shell superfields can be expanded in terms of the component fields $\{\phi^{AB}, \lambda_\alpha^A, F_{\alpha\beta}^-\}$. For just the scalars,

$$\bar{\Phi}_{AB} = \bar{\phi}_{AB}, \quad \bar{\Lambda}_{A\dot{\alpha}} = i \theta^{B\alpha} \partial_{\alpha\dot{\alpha}} \bar{\phi}_{AB}, \quad \bar{\mathcal{F}}_{\dot{\alpha}\dot{\beta}} = \frac{1}{2} \theta^{A\alpha} \theta^{B\beta} \partial_{\alpha\dot{\alpha}} \partial_{\beta\dot{\beta}} \bar{\phi}_{AB}$$

We obtain simple dilaton effective action

$$S_{\text{dilaton}} = \int d^4 x \left[(S_{\mu\nu} S^{\mu\nu})^2 - S_{\mu\nu} S^{\nu\rho} S_{\rho\sigma} S^{\sigma\mu} \right], \quad S_{\mu\nu} = \frac{\partial_\mu \partial_\nu \varphi}{\varphi^2} - 2 \frac{\partial_\mu \varphi \partial_\nu \varphi}{\varphi^3},$$

Non-Perturbative Verifications

But horrific vertices when expanded around $\varphi \rightarrow v + \varphi$

$$v^8 \Gamma^{(4)}[\varphi] = (\partial_\mu \partial_\nu \varphi \partial^\mu \partial^\nu \varphi)^2 - \partial_\mu \partial_\nu \varphi \partial^\nu \partial^\rho \varphi \partial_\rho \partial_\sigma \varphi \partial^\sigma \partial^\mu \varphi \equiv (\partial \partial \varphi \cdot \partial \partial \varphi)^2 - (\partial \partial \varphi \cdot \partial \partial \varphi \cdot \partial \partial \varphi \cdot \partial \partial \varphi) \quad (\text{A.1})$$

$$v^9 \Gamma^{(5)}[\varphi] = -8 \varphi (\partial \partial \varphi \cdot \partial \partial \varphi)^2 + 8 \varphi (\partial \partial \varphi \cdot \partial \partial \varphi \cdot \partial \partial \varphi \cdot \partial \partial \varphi) \\ - 8 (\partial \partial \varphi \cdot \partial \partial \varphi) \partial \varphi \cdot \partial \partial \varphi \cdot \partial \varphi + 8 \partial \varphi \cdot \partial \partial \varphi \cdot \partial \partial \varphi \cdot \partial \partial \varphi \cdot \partial \varphi - 2 (\partial \partial \varphi \cdot \partial \partial \varphi \cdot \partial \partial \varphi) \partial \varphi \cdot \partial \varphi \quad (\text{A.2})$$

$$v^{10} \Gamma^{(6)}[\varphi] = 36 \varphi^2 (\partial \partial \varphi \cdot \partial \partial \varphi)^2 - 36 \varphi^2 (\partial \partial \varphi \cdot \partial \partial \varphi \cdot \partial \partial \varphi \cdot \partial \partial \varphi) \\ + 72 \varphi (\partial \partial \varphi \cdot \partial \partial \varphi \cdot \partial \partial \varphi \cdot \partial \partial \varphi) \partial \varphi \cdot \partial \partial \varphi \cdot \partial \varphi - 72 \varphi \partial \varphi \cdot \partial \partial \varphi \cdot \partial \partial \varphi \cdot \partial \partial \varphi \cdot \partial \varphi \\ + 18 \varphi (\partial \partial \varphi \cdot \partial \partial \varphi \cdot \partial \partial \varphi) + 8 (\partial \cdot \partial \partial \varphi \cdot \partial \varphi)^2 - 4 \partial \varphi \cdot \partial \partial \varphi \cdot \partial \partial \varphi \cdot \partial \varphi + 3 (\partial \partial \varphi \cdot \partial \partial \varphi) (\partial \varphi \partial \varphi)^2 \quad (\text{A.3})$$

$$v^{11} \Gamma^{(7)}[\varphi] = -120 \varphi^3 (\partial \partial \varphi \cdot \partial \partial \varphi)^2 + 120 \varphi^3 (\partial \partial \varphi \cdot \partial \partial \varphi \cdot \partial \partial \varphi \cdot \partial \partial \varphi) \\ - 360 \varphi^2 (\partial \partial \varphi \cdot \partial \partial \varphi \cdot \partial \partial \varphi \cdot \partial \partial \varphi) \partial \varphi \cdot \partial \partial \varphi \cdot \partial \varphi + 360 \varphi^2 \partial \varphi \cdot \partial \partial \varphi \cdot \partial \partial \varphi \cdot \partial \partial \varphi \cdot \partial \varphi \\ - 90 \varphi^2 (\partial \partial \varphi \cdot \partial \partial \varphi \cdot \partial \partial \varphi) - 80 \varphi (\partial \varphi \cdot \partial \partial \varphi \cdot \partial \varphi)^2 + 40 \varphi \partial \varphi \cdot \partial \partial \varphi \cdot \partial \partial \varphi \cdot \partial \varphi \\ - 45 \varphi (\partial \partial \varphi \cdot \partial \partial \varphi) (\partial \varphi \partial \varphi)^2 - 10 \partial \varphi \cdot \partial \partial \varphi \cdot \partial \varphi (\partial \varphi \partial \varphi)^2 \quad (\text{A.4})$$

$$v^{12} \Gamma^{(8)}[\varphi] = 330 \varphi^4 (\partial \partial \varphi \cdot \partial \partial \varphi)^2 - 330 \varphi^4 (\partial \partial \varphi \cdot \partial \partial \varphi \cdot \partial \partial \varphi \cdot \partial \partial \varphi) \\ + 1320 \varphi^3 (\partial \partial \varphi \cdot \partial \partial \varphi \cdot \partial \partial \varphi \cdot \partial \partial \varphi) \partial \varphi \cdot \partial \partial \varphi \cdot \partial \varphi - 1320 \varphi^3 \partial \varphi \cdot \partial \partial \varphi \cdot \partial \partial \varphi \cdot \partial \partial \varphi \cdot \partial \varphi \\ + 330 \varphi^3 (\partial \partial \varphi \cdot \partial \partial \varphi \cdot \partial \partial \varphi) + 440 \varphi^2 (\partial \cdot \partial \partial \varphi \cdot \partial \varphi)^2 - 220 \varphi^2 \partial \varphi \cdot \partial \partial \varphi \cdot \partial \partial \varphi \cdot \partial \varphi \\ + \frac{495}{2} \varphi^2 (\partial \partial \varphi \cdot \partial \partial \varphi) (\partial \varphi \partial \varphi)^2 + 110 \varphi \partial \varphi \cdot \partial \partial \varphi \cdot \partial \varphi (\partial \varphi \partial \varphi)^2 + \frac{15}{4} (\partial \varphi \partial \varphi)^4 \quad (\text{A.5})$$

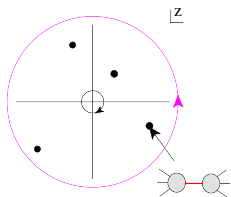
$$v^{13} \Gamma^{(9)}[\varphi] = -792 \varphi^5 (\partial \partial \varphi \cdot \partial \partial \varphi)^2 + 792 \varphi^5 (\partial \partial \varphi \cdot \partial \partial \varphi \cdot \partial \partial \varphi \cdot \partial \partial \varphi) \\ - 3960 \varphi^4 (\partial \partial \varphi \cdot \partial \partial \varphi \cdot \partial \partial \varphi \cdot \partial \partial \varphi) \partial \varphi \cdot \partial \partial \varphi \cdot \partial \varphi + 3960 \varphi^4 \partial \varphi \cdot \partial \partial \varphi \cdot \partial \partial \varphi \cdot \partial \partial \varphi \cdot \partial \varphi \\ - 990 \varphi^4 (\partial \partial \varphi \cdot \partial \partial \varphi \cdot \partial \partial \varphi) - 760 \varphi^3 (\partial \cdot \partial \partial \varphi \cdot \partial \varphi)^2 + 880 \varphi^3 \partial \varphi \cdot \partial \partial \varphi \cdot \partial \partial \varphi \cdot \partial \varphi \\ - 990 \varphi^3 (\partial \partial \varphi \cdot \partial \partial \varphi) (\partial \varphi \partial \varphi)^2 - 660 \varphi^2 \partial \varphi \cdot \partial \partial \varphi \cdot \partial \varphi (\partial \varphi \partial \varphi)^2 - 45 \varphi (\partial \varphi \partial \varphi)^4.$$

All soft theorems are satisfied

Constraints on effective action

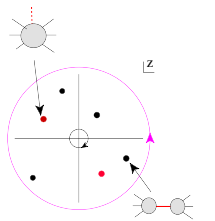
Using the fact that S-matrix are analytic functions, we start with: Britto, Cachazo, Feng, Witten

$$A_n(0) = \oint_{|z|=0} dz \frac{A_n(z)}{z} = - \oint_{|z|=z^*} dz \frac{A_n(z)}{z},$$



The constraint from soft-theorems can be utilized via augmented recursion: Cheung, Kampf, Novotny, Shen, Trnka

$$A_n(0) = \oint_{|z|=0} dz \frac{A_n(z)}{zF(z)} = - \oint_{|z|=z^*} dz \frac{A_n(z)}{zF(z)} - \oint_{|z|=z^*} dz \frac{A_n(z)}{zF(z)},$$



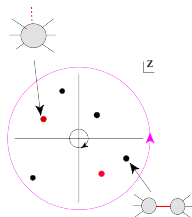
Constraints on effective action

Take

$$A(z) = A|_{p_i \rightarrow (1-za_i)p_i}, \quad F_n(z) = \prod_{i=1}^n [(1-za_i)]^{d_i}$$

with $\sum_i a_i p_i = 0$

$$A_n(0) = \oint_{|z|=0} dz \frac{A_n(z)}{zF(z)} = - \oint_{|z|=z^*} dz \frac{A_n(z)}{zF(z)} - \oint_{|z|=z^*} dz \frac{A_n(z)}{zF(z)},$$



The residue of $F(z)$ is determined

$$A(z) \rightarrow A_0 + A_1 q + A_2 q^2 + \dots A_d q^{d-1}$$

where $q = (1 - za_i)p_i$

Constraints on effective action

The residue of $F(z)$ is determined

$$A(z) \rightarrow A_0 + A_1 q + A_2 q^2 + \dots + A_d q^{d-1}$$

Since for the pure dilaton sector

$$M_n|_{p_n \rightarrow 0} = \left(S_n^{(0)} + S_n^{(1)} \right) M_{n-1} + \mathcal{O}(p_n^2),$$

we have $d = 2$.

The pure dilaton amplitude can be constructed using recursion

$$A_n(0) = \oint_{|z|=0} dz \frac{A_n(z)}{z \prod_i (1 - za_i)^2}$$

The denominator $\sim z^{2n}$, while $A_n(z) \sim z^{2m}$ for order $\partial^{2m} \rightarrow$ we need $n > m$

Constraints on effective action

The pure dilaton sector is highly constrained:

$s^n \setminus \#$ of points	4	5	6	7	8	...
2	×	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
3	×	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
4	×	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
5	✓	×	✓	✓	✓	✓
6	✓	✓	×	✓	✓	✓
7	✓	✓	✓	×	✓	✓
8	✓	✓	✓	✓	×	✓
⋮

At s^n , the EFT is determined up to coefficients for operators $\partial^{2n}\varphi^n$

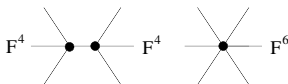
SUSY Constraints on effective action

Maximal SUSY is known to give exact results:

- s^2 : F^4 operator one-loop exact $\lambda = \left(\frac{g^4 N}{8\pi^2 m^4} \right)$
- For the pure field-strengths [Chen, Y-t, Wen](#)

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{eff}} = \sum_{p,q=1} c_0^{p,q} \frac{(F_+^2)^p (F_-^2)^q}{(M^2)^{2(p+q-1)}} + \sum_{m=1} \sum_{p,q=1} c_m^{p,q} \frac{D^{2m} (F_+^2)^p (F_-^2)^q}{(M^2)^{2(p+q-1)+m}} + \dots$$

There are no local susy matrix elements that encode $F_-^2 F_+^{n-2} \rightarrow$ **must have zero coefficient**



One obtains an exact recursion formula

$$c_0^{1,q} = 4^{q-1} (c_0^{1,1})^q.$$

SUSY Constraints on effective action

Assume D=4 maximal susy

$$\mathcal{A}_4 = \delta^8(Q) \frac{[12]^2}{\langle 34 \rangle^2} \sum_k P_4^{(k)}(s_{ij}),$$
$$\mathcal{A}_5 = v \delta^8(Q) \frac{m_{1,2,3}^{(1)} m_{1,2,3}^{(2)} + m_{1,2,3}^{(3)} m_{1,2,3}^{(4)}}{\langle 45 \rangle^2} \sum_k P_5^{(k)}(s_{ij}),$$

- s^2 : F^4 operator one-loop exact $\lambda = \left(\frac{g^4 N}{8\pi^2 m^4} \right)$
- s^3 : $A_4^{(3)} = A_5^{(3)} = 0$, and the first non-zero would be A_6

$$A_6^{(3)} = a_1 (s_{12}^3 + \mathcal{P}_6) + a_2 (s_{123}^3 + \mathcal{P}_6) + \lambda^2 \left((s_{12}^2 + s_{13}^2 + s_{23}^2) \frac{1}{s_{123}} (s_{45}^2 + s_{46}^2 + s_{56}^2) + \mathcal{P}_6 \right)$$

soft theorem fixes $a_1 = 0$, $a_2 = -\lambda^2 \rightarrow A_n^{(3)}$ is two-loop exact

Up to six-derivatives, the effective action is identical to DBI in $AdS_5 \times S_5$

SUSY Constraints on effective action

- s^4 : Recursion determines all $n > 4$ in terms of the four-point

$$\sum_{m \leq 8} \mathcal{L}_{\partial^m \phi^n} = \delta_{m,8} c_4^{(2)}(g, N) \mathcal{L}_{\partial^8 \phi^n}^{\ell=1} + \sum_{m \leq 8} \mathcal{L}_{\partial^m \phi^n}^{\text{DBI}},$$

- s^5 :

$$P_4^{(3)}(s_{ij}) = c_4^{(3)}(g, N) \times (s_{12}^3 + \mathcal{P}_4), \quad P_5^{(3)}(s_{ij}) = c_5^{(3)}(g, N) \times (s_{12}^3 + \mathcal{P}_5).$$

Soft theorem determines $c_5^{(3)}(g, N) = -c_4^{(3)}(g, N)$

$$\mathcal{L}_{\partial^{10} \phi^n} = c_4^{(3)}(g, N) \mathcal{L}_{\partial^{10} \phi^n}^{\ell=1} + \lambda \times c_4^{(2)}(g, N) \mathcal{L}_{\partial^{10} \phi^n}^{\ell=2} + \mathcal{L}_{\partial^{10} \phi^n}^{\text{DBI}},$$

Maximal SUSY fixes the effective action up to 10 derivatives in terms of two unknown coefficients

Scale vs Conformal symmetry

$$M_n|_{p_n \rightarrow 0} = \left(S_n^{(0)} + S_n^{(1)} \right) M_{n-1} + \mathcal{O}(p_n^2),$$

$$S_n^{(0)} = \sum_{i=1}^{n-1} \left(p_i \cdot \frac{\partial}{\partial p_i} + \frac{d-2}{2} \right) - d, \leftarrow \text{Dilatation}$$

$$S_n^{(1)} = p_n^\mu \sum_{i=1}^{n-1} \left[p_i^\nu \frac{\partial^2}{\partial p_i^\nu \partial p_i^\mu} - \frac{p_{i\mu}}{2} \frac{\partial^2}{\partial p_{i\nu} \partial p_i^\nu} + \frac{d-2}{2} \frac{\partial}{\partial p_i^\mu} \right] \leftarrow \text{Conformal Boost.}$$

“To what extent does the sub-leading soft theorem, due to broken conformal boost symmetry, follow from the leading behaviour stemming from broken dilation symmetry?”

- To all order in derivative coupling, the five point matrix elements satisfying leading soft automatically satisfies subleading soft theorems.
- At order s^n , all $2n$ -point amplitudes can be recursively constructed via leading soft theorems. Explicit computation has shown that subleading soft theorems are again automatically satisfied.

Perturbative completion

So far we have consider

$$\mathcal{L}_{EFT} = \mathcal{L}_{marginal} + \sum_i c_i \mathcal{O}_i(\partial, \phi)$$

for higher insertions $n > 4$. Can we say more about $n = 4$?

$$M_4 = \sum_{p,q} c_{p,q} \sigma_2^p \sigma_3^q, \quad \sigma_2 = s^2 + t^2 + u^2, \quad \sigma_3 = stu$$

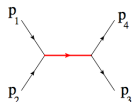
- Continues to be perturbative, with IR degrees of freedom still present in the UV (Four fermi \rightarrow Electro Weak) **S-matrix exists**

We can employ unitarity

Perturbative completion

Let's assume a perturbative spectrum that is of integer spacing (why?)

- Arises in string theory, and many compactification scenarios
- Necessary for a chance of unitary M_4


$$\rightarrow A_3(\phi_1, \phi_2, h^\ell) \times A_3(h^\ell, \phi_3, \phi_4)$$

Since $A_3(\phi_1, \phi_2, h^\ell) \sim i c_\ell (p_1 - p_2)^{\mu_1} (p_1 - p_2)^{\mu_2} \dots (p_1 - p_2)^{\mu_\ell} \epsilon_{\mu_1 \mu_2 \dots \mu_\ell}$ the residue must take the simple form:

$$[(p_1 - p_2) \cdot (p_3 - p_4)]^{2n} = (t - u)^{2n} = (2t + s)^{2n}$$

the residue must be a definite positive function in t :

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$$M \sim \frac{f(s, t)}{(s - m_1)(t - m_2) \cdots} \Big|_{s=m_1} \rightarrow \frac{f(m_1, t)}{(t - m_2) \cdots}$$

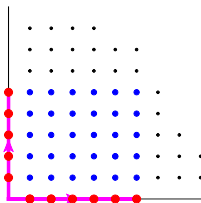
Unitarity requires the function $f(m_1, t)$ to have a zero when $t = m_2$, and all other t -channel poles.

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 $f(s, t)$ is a bounded polynomial function that has zero for each pair of $(s, t) = (m_i, m_j)$!

$$f(m_1, m_1) = f(m_1, m_2) = \cdots = f(m_i, m_j) = 0$$

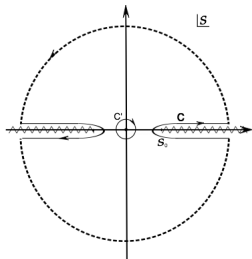


There are more zeros than poles, unless integers

Perturbative completion

Consider the amplitude for some fixed $t = t^*$, which we express in the form of a dispersion relation

$$M(s, t^*) = \int_{v=s} dv \frac{M(v, t^*)}{v - s} = - \frac{\text{Res}[M(v, t^*)]|_{v=v^*}}{v^* - s}$$



The residues in the complex s -plane lie on the real axis, where poles in the positive region are s -channel resonance, and negative region are from u -channel resonance. Due to permutation invariance, the residue of a given s -channel resonance, say $s = n$, there will be the opposite of the u -channel resonance in the negative s -branch, $s = -n - t^*$

$$M(s, t^*) = - \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{\text{Res}[M(v, t^*)]|_{v=n(2n+t^*)}}{(n-s)(n+t^*+s)}$$



Perturbative completion

$$M(s, t^*) = - \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{\text{Res}[M(v, t^*)]|_{v=n}(2n + t^*)}{(n-s)(n+t^*+s)}$$

Now, consider the case where $t^* = -2$, then we have:

$$M(s, -2) = - \frac{\text{Res}[M(v, -2)]|_{v=0}(-2)}{(-s)(-2+s)} - \frac{\text{Res}[M(v, -2)]|_{v=1}(0)}{(1-s)(-1+s)} - \frac{\text{Res}[M(v, -2)]|_{v=2}(2)}{(2-s)(s)} - \sum_{n=3}^{\infty} \frac{\text{Res}[M(v, -2)]|_{v=n}(2n-2)}{(n-s)(n-2+s)}. \quad (1)$$

There are no poles at $s = 0, 1$! For $t = -n$ the poles of $s = 0, 1, \dots, n$ are missing

$$\text{Res}[M(s, t)]|_{s=0} = \prod_{i=1}^{\infty} (t+i)$$

But this is impossible for bounded high-energy behavior \rightarrow **The S-matrix must have zeros in the unphysical channel, at $s = -n$**

Perturbative completion

The S-matrix must have zeros in the unphysical channel, at $s = -n$

$$M_4 \sim \frac{\prod_i (s+i)(t+i)(u+i)}{\prod_i (s-i)(t-i)(u-i)} \sim \frac{\Gamma[-s+1]\Gamma[-t+1]\Gamma[-u+1]}{\Gamma[s+1]\Gamma[t+1]\Gamma[u+1]}$$

Conclusion

- For spontaneously broken space-time symmetry, the broken symmetry mixes between various GB modes, leading to distinct soft features.
- Combined with analyticity and unitarity this imposes stringent constraint on the effective action: the entire action is determined by coefficient of $\partial^{2n}\varphi^n$.
- Maximal susy allows us to push this up to ten-derivatives (the simplest EFT?)
- A new arena to explore the relation between scale vs conformal invariance.

Further directions

- Constraint from S-duality
- High-time to extract unitarity constraint beyond four-points (related to a -theorem)
- Is the massless S-matrix well defined at the origin?

$$S_1 = -\frac{Nc_3^2}{2\pi^2} \int \phi^4 \sqrt{-\det \left(\eta_{\mu\nu} + \frac{\partial_\mu \phi \cdot \partial_\nu \phi}{c_3 \phi^4} + \sqrt{\pi/(g_s N)} \frac{F_{\mu\nu}}{c_3 \phi^2} \right)} d^4 x.$$

Compare

$$\langle \vec{\phi} \rangle = (v, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0), \text{ vs, } \langle \vec{\phi} \rangle = (v, v, v, v, v, v)$$

The latter has the usual Adler's soft theorem. Do the near origin limit agree?
(Ratio functions)