

# *On the quantization of the Hadronic String*

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# Introduction

- The holographic duality is an equivalence between certain bulk **string theories** and boundary field theories.
- Practically most of the applications of holography is based on relating **bulk fields ( not strings)** and **operators** on the dual boundary field theory.
- This is based on the usual limit of  $\alpha' \rightarrow 0$  with which we go for instance from a **closed string theory to a gravity** theory .
- However, to describe hadrons in reality it seems that we need **strings** since after all in reality the string tension is not very large ( $\lambda$  **of order one**)

# Introduction

- The **major argument** against describing the **hadron spectra** in terms of fluctuations of fields like bulk fields or modes on **probe branes** is that they generically **do not admit** properly the **Regge behavior** of the spectra.
- For  $M^2$  as a function of  $J$  we get from flavor branes only  $J=0, J=1$  mesons and there will be a **big gap of order  $\lambda$**  in comparison to high  $J$  mesons if we describe the latter in terms of strings.
- The attempts to get the linearity between  $M^2$  and  $n$  basically face problems whereas for **strings** it is an **obvious property**.

# Introduction

- Rotating open strings in a holographic background can be mapped into strings in flat four dimensional space-time with massive endpoints.
- Strangely enough so far a full quantization of such a string has not been done .
- I will show that a reasonably good fit to the experimental data of hadrons can be achieved using a classical picture plus a constant intercept ( for each trajectory) associated with quantization.
- The intercept plays an important role in the fit.
- Thus one cannot rely on the semi-classical picture and the quantization of the hadronic string is essential.

# Outline:

- Introduction
- From strings in **holographic** background to **strings with massive endpoints**.
- A brief review of **fitting hadronic data**.
- The classical actions, e.o.ms, symmetries, Noether charges and gauge fixings
- The **classical** relation between the **energy and angular momentum**
- On the **quantum** relation in the static and orthogonal gauges
- Computing the **Casimir energy** for a static string
- The map to the **rotating case (transverse directions)**
- The fluctuations in the **plane of rotation**.

# Outline

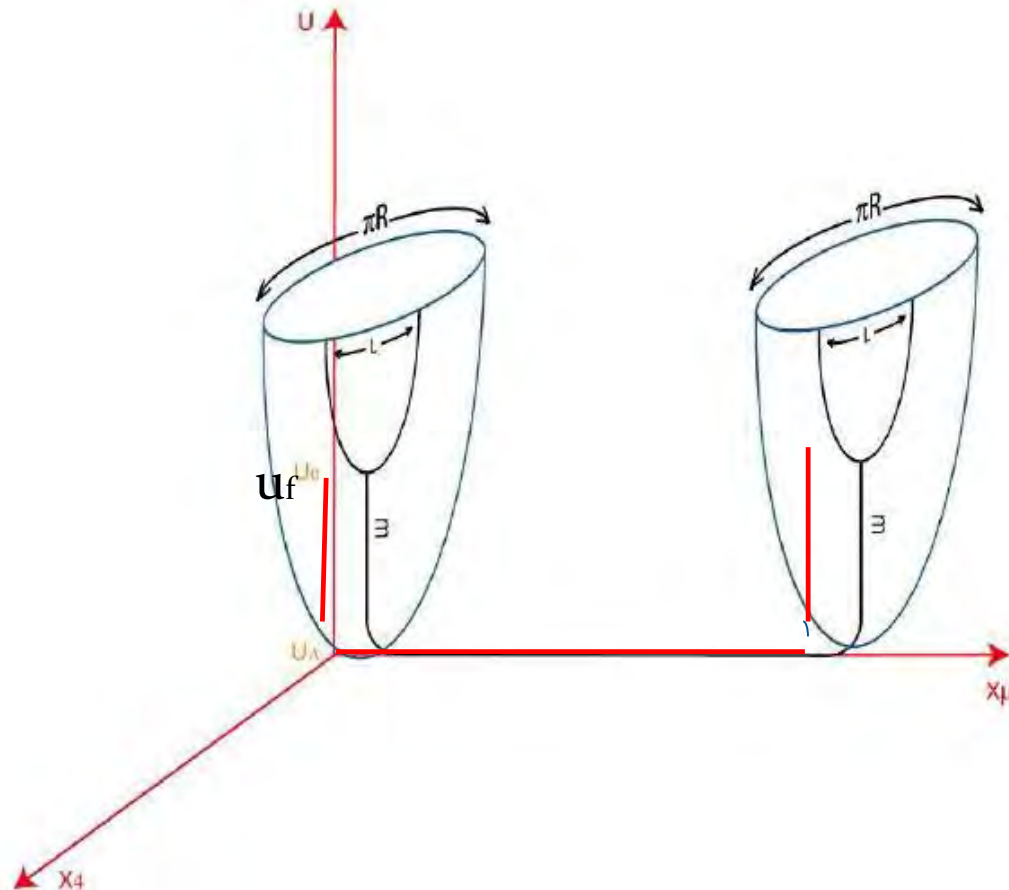
- The **Polchinski Strominger** term
- The **quantization** of the **non-critical** rotating string without massive endpoints.
- The **full intercept** in the **large mass** limits
- Summary



# *Stringy holographic Mesons*

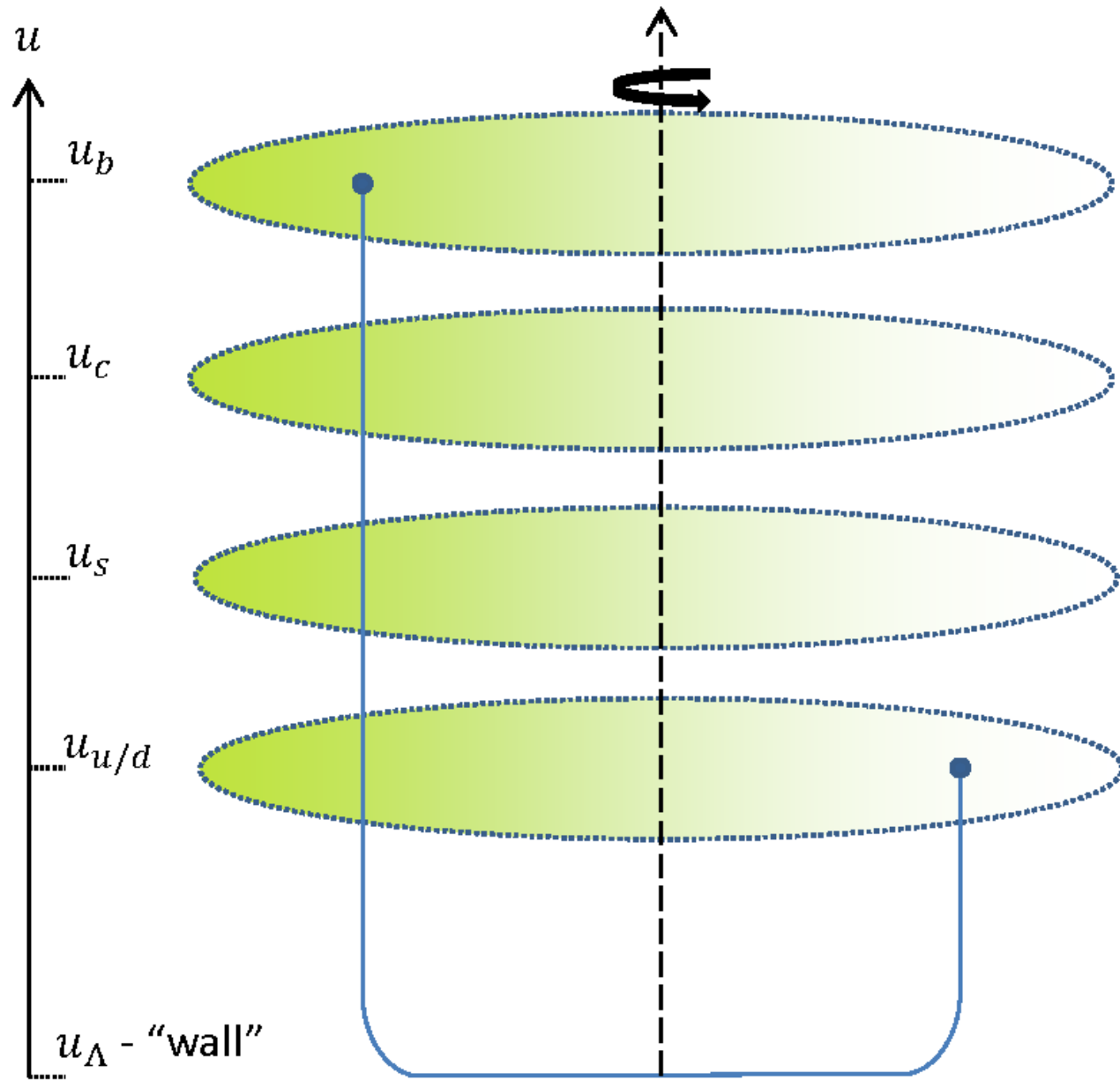
# Stringy meson in U shape flavor brane setup

- The mesonic string is attached to flavor D branes in its two ends. For instance in the Sakai Sugimoto model





# Example: The B meson



# Rotating Strings ending on flavor branes

- Consider a general background of the form

$$ds^2 = G_{mm} dx^m dx^m = -G_{00} dt^2 + G_{xx} dx^2 + G_{uu} du^2 + G_{yy} dy^2$$

- $G_{mm}(u)$  is a function of the radial direction  $u$
- We look for rotating solutions of the eom

$$x^0 = e\tau, \theta = e\omega\tau, R = R(\sigma), u = u(\sigma), Y^i = Y^i(u_f)$$

- We assume that  $u_f > u > u_\Lambda$

# Strings ending on flavor branes

- Denote  $f \equiv G_{00}$  with  $G_{00} = G_{xx}$  and  $g^2 = G_{00}G_{uu}$ .
- The **action** in the  **$\sigma=R$  gauge** than reads

$$S_{NG} = T \int d\tau dR [(f e^2 - f(e\omega R)^2)(f + G_{uu}\dot{u}^2)]^{\frac{1}{2}}$$

- The **equation of motion** for  $u(R)$

$$\partial_R \left[ g^2 \frac{\epsilon \dot{u}}{G} \right] = \epsilon (\partial_u G)$$

where

$$G \equiv \sqrt{f^2 + g^2 \dot{u}^2} \quad v = \omega R$$
$$\epsilon \equiv \sqrt{1 - v^2}$$

# Strings ending on flavor branes

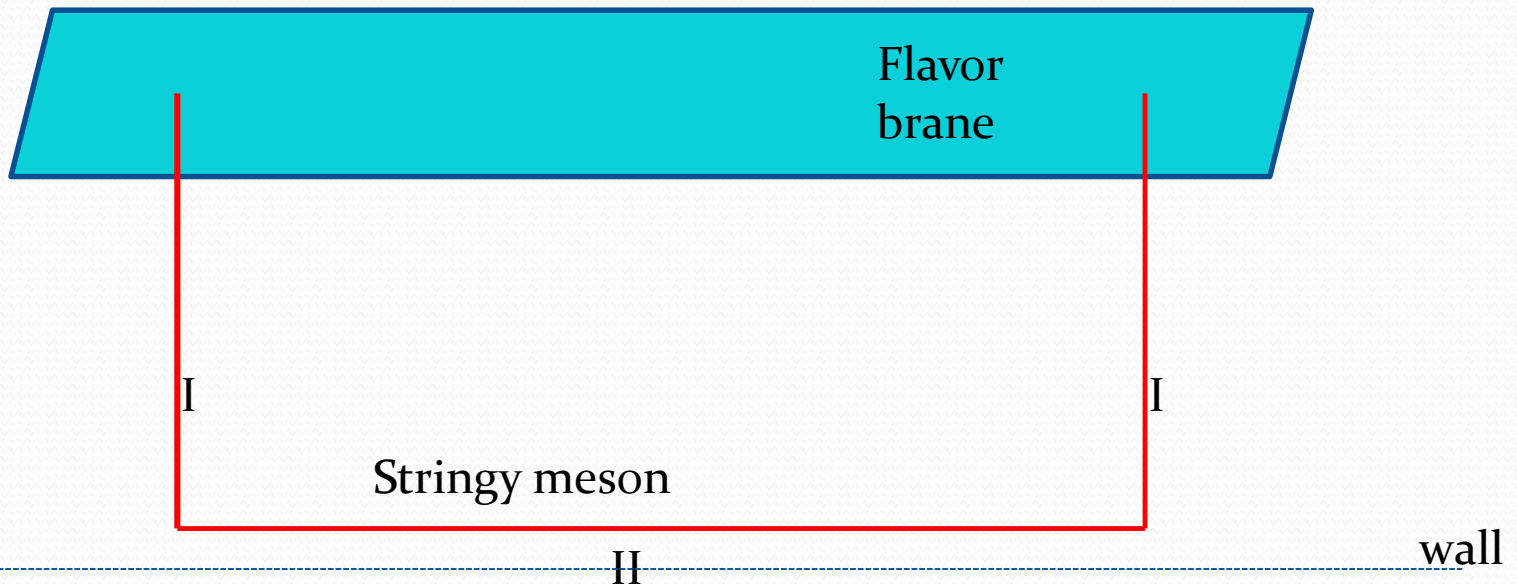
- We now separate the profile into two regions:

- Region (I) **vertical**  $\dot{u} \longrightarrow \infty$

$$\sigma \in (-\pi/2, -\alpha), \sigma \in (\alpha, \pi/2)$$

- Region (II) **horizontal**  $\dot{u} \longrightarrow 0, u = u_0$

$$\sigma \in (-\alpha, \alpha)$$



# String end-point mass

- We define the **string end-point quark mass**

$$m_{sep} = T \int_{u_0}^{u_f} g(u) du = T \int_{u_0}^{u_f} \sqrt{G_{00} G_{uu}} du$$

- For  $\delta S=0$  the system has to obey the condition

$$T_{eff}(1 - v^2) = m_q \omega^2 R_0$$

$$T_{eff} = T_f = T G_{00}$$

$$\frac{T_{eff}}{\gamma} = m_{sep} \gamma \omega^2 R_0$$

- The conditions to have mesons with **Regge behavior** in the limit of small  $m_{sep}$  are **precisely the conditions** to have a **confining Wilson line**

# Energy and Angular momentum

- The **Noether charges** associated with the shift of **t** and  **$\theta$**

$$E = T \int d\sigma \frac{\sqrt{f^2 + g^2(u')^2}}{\mathcal{E}} = T \int d\sigma \gamma \sqrt{f^2 + g^2(u')^2}$$
$$J = T \int d\sigma \omega R^2 \frac{\sqrt{f^2 + g^2(u')^2}}{\mathcal{E}} = T \int d\sigma \omega R^2 \gamma \sqrt{f^2 + g^2(u')^2}$$

- The contribution of the **vertical** segments

$$E_I = T \int_{u_\Lambda}^{u_f} du \gamma \sqrt{\frac{f^2}{(\dot{u})^2} + g^2} = 2\gamma_0 T \int_{u_\Lambda}^{u_f} du g(u) \equiv 2\gamma_0 m_{SEP}$$
$$J_I = T \int d\sigma \omega R^2 \gamma \sqrt{f^2 + g^2(u')^2} = 2\gamma_0 \omega R_0^2 T \int_{u_\Lambda}^{u_f} du g(u) \equiv 2\gamma_0 m_{SEP} \omega R_0^2$$

# Energy and Angular momentum

- The **horizontal** segment contributes

$$E_{II} = T \int_{-R_0}^{R_0} dR \gamma \sqrt{f^2 + g^2 (\dot{u})^2} = f(u_\Lambda) T \int_{-R_0}^{R_0} \frac{dR}{\sqrt{1 - \omega^2 R^2}} = 2 \frac{T_{eff}}{\omega} \arcsin(\omega R_0)$$
$$J_{II} = T \int_{-R_0}^{R_0} dR \gamma \sqrt{f^2 + g^2 (\dot{u})^2} = f(u_\Lambda) T \omega \int_{-R_0}^{R_0} \frac{dR R^2}{\sqrt{1 - \omega^2 R^2}} = 2 T_{eff} \left[ \frac{1}{\omega^2} \arcsin(\omega R_0) - \omega R_0 \sqrt{1 - \omega^2 R_0^2} \right]$$

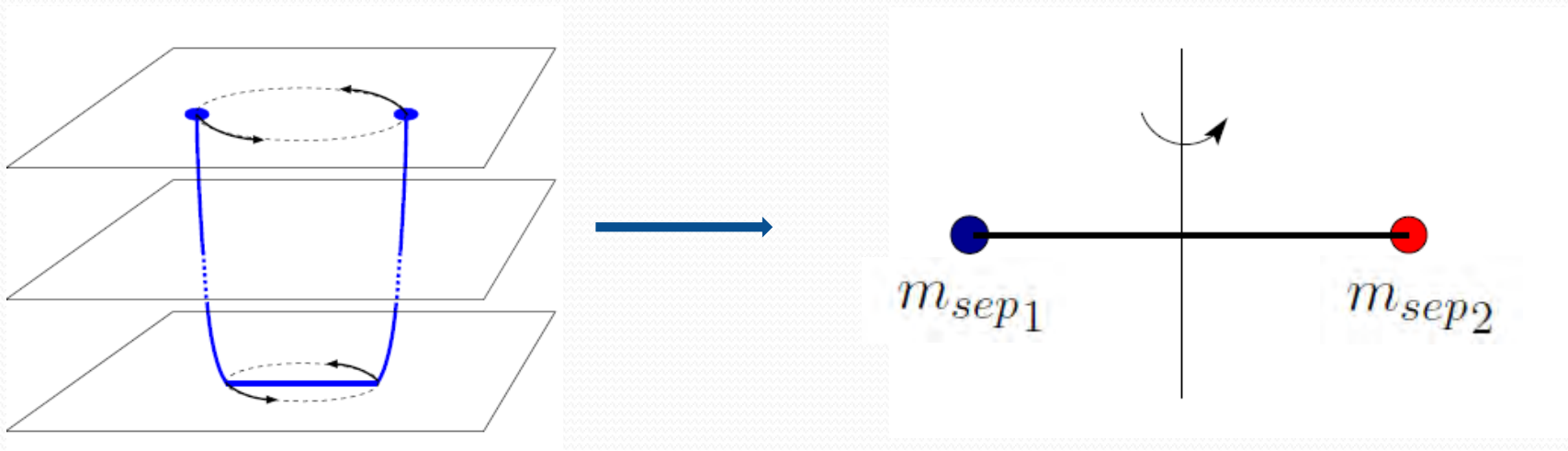
- **Combining** together all the segments we get which is precisely that of a rotating string with massive endpoints

$$E = 2m_{sep} \gamma_0 + 2 \frac{T_{effe}}{\omega} \arcsin(\omega R_0)$$
$$J = m_{sep} \gamma_0 \omega R_0^2 + \frac{T_{effe}}{\omega^2} \arcsin(\omega R_0)$$



# From holographic string to string with massive endpoints

- One can map the **energy** and **angular momentum** of the **holographic spinning** string to those of a string in flat space time with **massive endpoints**. The masses are  $m_{sep1}$  and  $m_{sep2}$



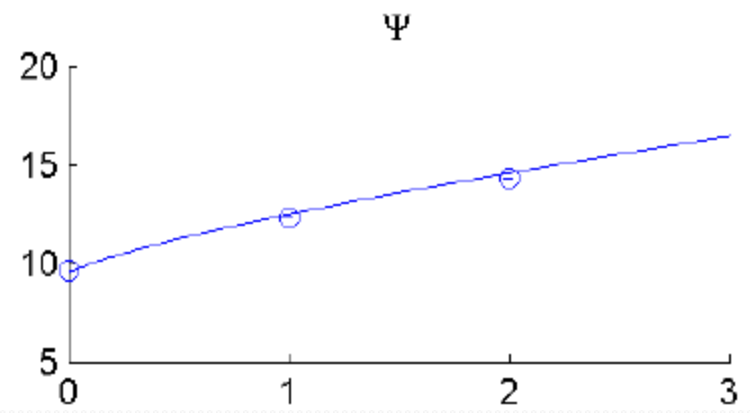
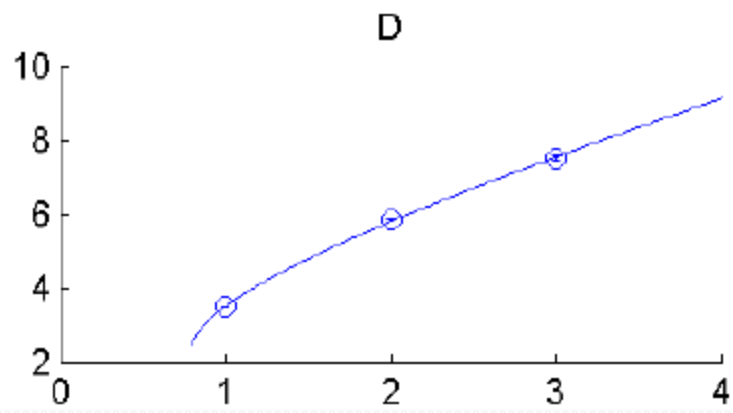
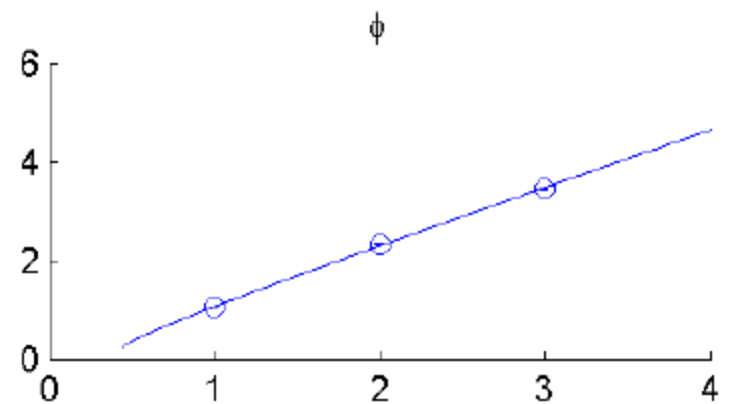
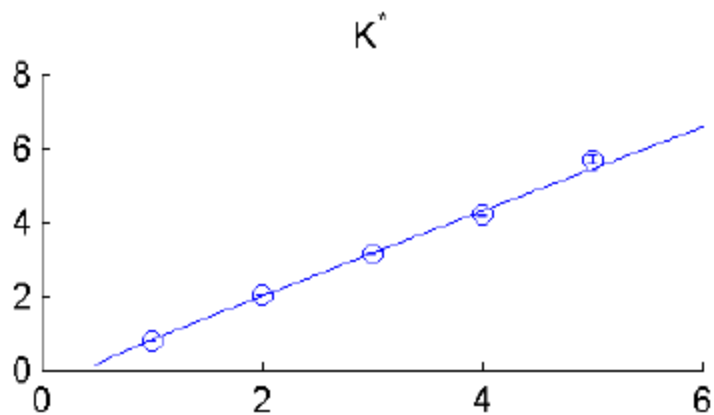
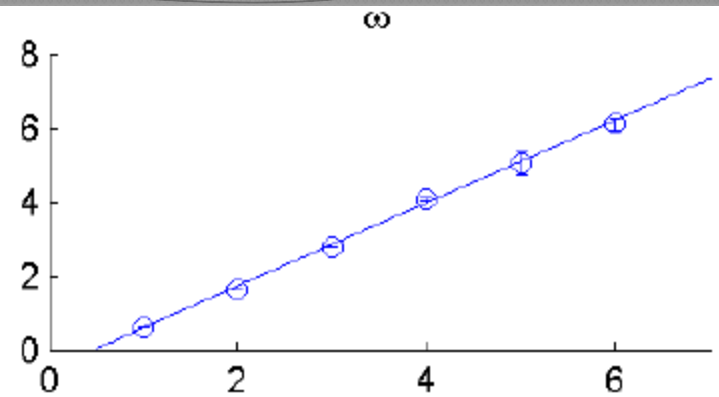
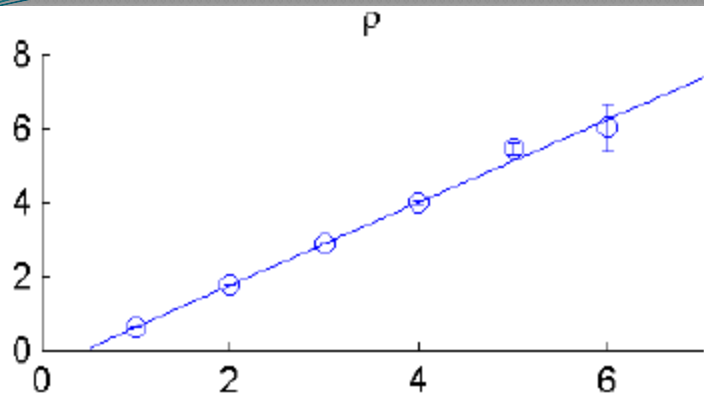
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*A brief review of fits of  
hadronic data*

# Toward a universal model



# Toward a universal model

- The fit results for several trajectories **simultaneously**.  
The  $(J, M^2)$  trajectories of  $\rho, \omega, K^*, \phi, D$ , and  $\Psi$  mesons

- We take the **string endpoint masses**

$$m_{u/d} = 60, m_s = 220, m_c = 1500$$

- Only the **intercept** was allowed to change. We got

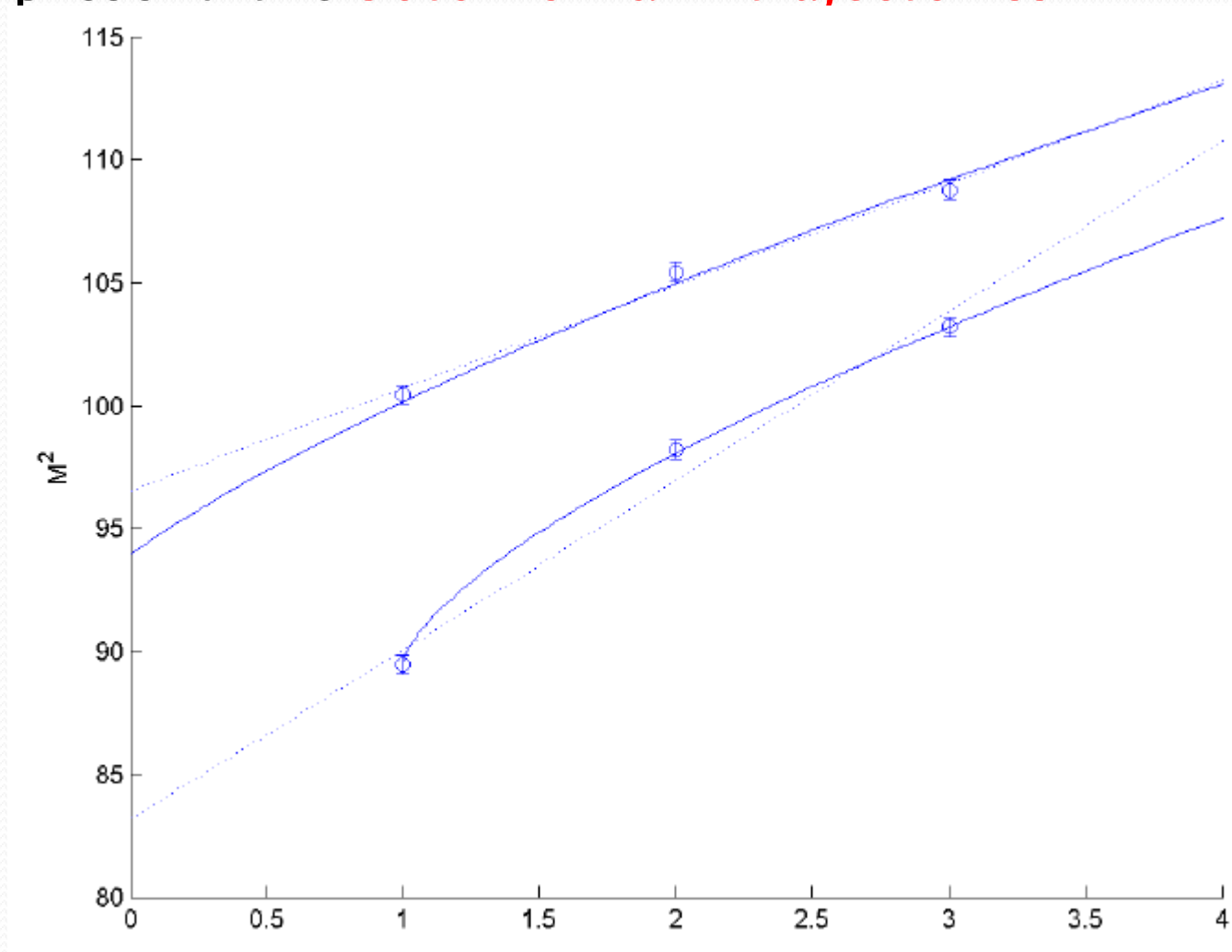
$$\alpha' = 0.899$$

$$a_\rho = 0.51, a_\omega = 0.52, a_{K^*} = 0.49$$

$$a_\phi = 0.44, a_D = 0.80, a_\Psi = 0.94$$

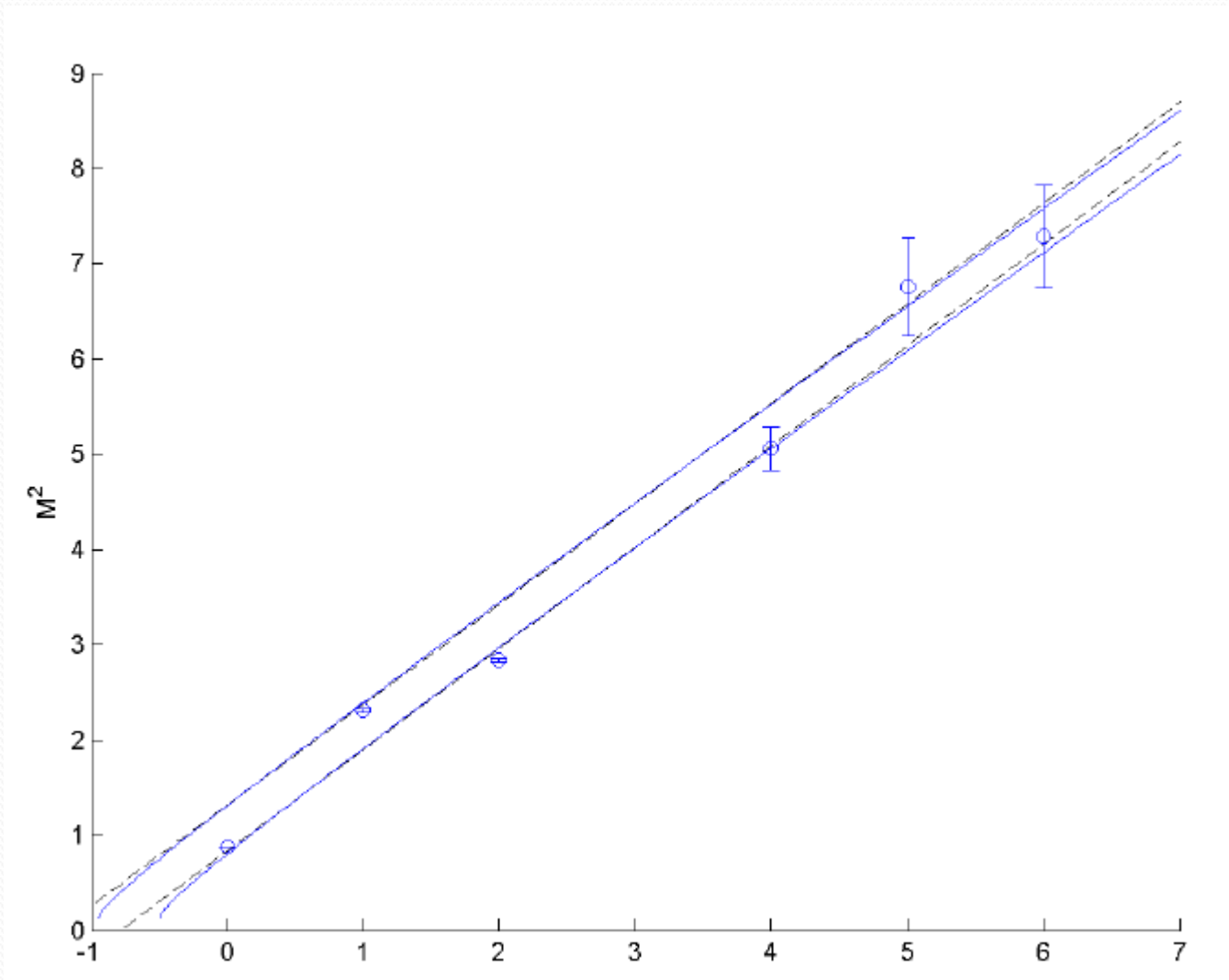
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- To emphasize the deviation from the linearity we present the **botomonium trajectories**

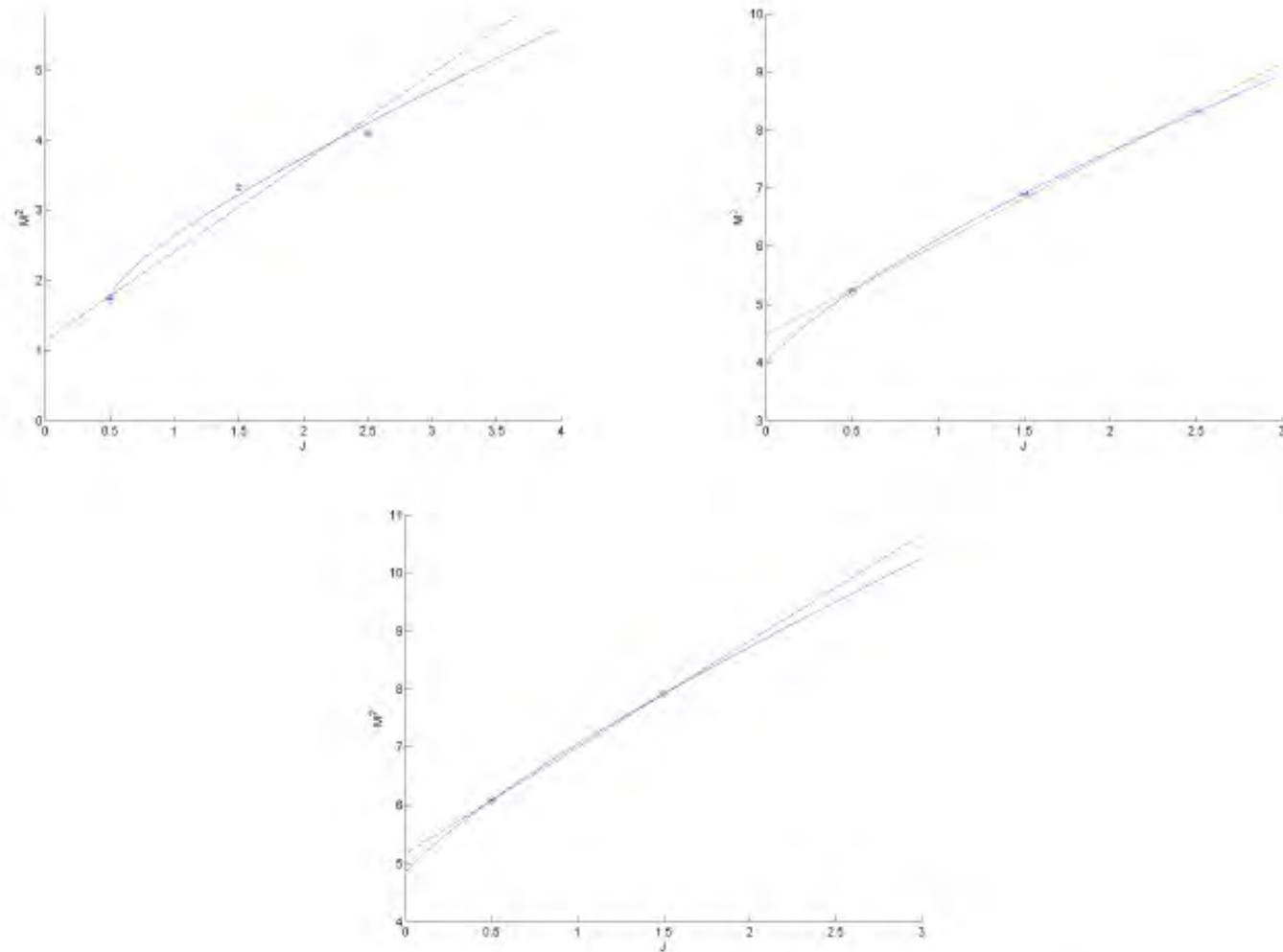


# Fit to Regge trajectories of Nucleons

- Fit of the Regge trajectories of the Nucleons



# The trajectories of $\Xi$ , $\Lambda_c$ , $\Xi_c$



**Figure 15.** Left: The doubly strange  $\Xi$  baryon and its fit,  $2m = 1320$ . Right: The charmed  $\Lambda_c$  and its fit with  $m_1 = 90$ ,  $m_2 = 1720$ . Bottom: The charmed-strange  $\Xi_c$  with its fit,  $2m = 2060$ .

*The classical rotating bosonic  
string with massive particles  
on its ends*

# The classical action

- There are two ways to write the bulk **string action**

$$S_{NG} = -T \int d\tau \int_{-\delta}^{\delta} d\sigma \sqrt{-h} \quad h_{\alpha\beta} \equiv \eta_{\mu\nu} \partial_{\alpha} X^{\mu} \partial_{\beta} X^{\nu}$$

$$S_{Pol} = -\frac{T}{2} \int d\sigma d\tau \sqrt{-\gamma} \gamma^{\alpha\beta} \partial_{\alpha} X^{\mu} \partial_{\beta} X_{\mu}$$

- There are two ways to write the **endpoints action**

$$S_{psq} = -m \int d\tau \sqrt{-\dot{X}^2} \quad \dot{X}^{\mu} \equiv \partial_{\tau} X^{\mu}$$

$$S_{pa} = \frac{1}{2} \int d\tau \left[ \frac{(\dot{X})^2}{\eta} - \eta m^2 \right]$$



# Possible classical actions

- Thus there are 4 possible ways for the **combined action**

$$(i) S_{(NG,psq)} \quad (ii) S_{(NG,pa)} \quad (iii) S_{(Pol,psq)} \quad (iv) S_{(Pol,pa)}$$

- In fact there is also another **Weyl invariant-like** action

$$S_{Wi} = -\frac{T}{2} \int d\sigma d\tau \sqrt{-\gamma} \gamma^{ab} \partial_a X^\mu \partial_b X_\mu + m \int d\tau \sqrt{\gamma_{\tau\tau}} \sqrt{\gamma^{\alpha\beta} \partial_\alpha X^\mu \partial_\beta X_\mu} \Big|_{\sigma=-\delta, \sigma}$$

- For (iv) we associate  $\eta$  with  $\gamma_{00}$  or to take it independent

$$\eta(\tau) = \frac{\sqrt{-\gamma_{\tau\tau}(\sigma, \tau)} \Big|_{\sigma=-\delta, \sigma=\delta}}{m^2}$$

# The equations of motion

- The variation of the bulk of the **NG action** yields

$$\partial_\alpha \left( \sqrt{-h} h^{\alpha\beta} \partial_\beta X^\mu \right) = 0$$

- At the two **boundaries** we get

$$T\sqrt{-h}\partial^\sigma X^\mu \pm m\partial_\tau \left( \frac{\dot{X}^\mu}{\sqrt{-\dot{X}^2}} \right) = 0$$

- In (ii) the boundary equations and  $\eta$  equations are

$$T\sqrt{-h}\partial^\sigma X^\mu \pm \partial_\tau \left( \frac{\dot{X}^\mu}{\eta(\tau)} \right) = 0 \quad \frac{(\dot{X})^2}{\eta(\tau)^2} + m^2 = 0$$

# The equations of motion

- In (iii) the **bulk equation** is

$$\partial_a(\sqrt{-\gamma}\gamma^{\alpha\beta}\partial_\beta X^\mu) = 0$$

- The **boundary equation** is

$$T\sqrt{-\gamma}\partial^\sigma X^\mu \pm m\partial_\tau \left( \frac{\dot{X}^\mu}{\sqrt{-\dot{X}^2}} \right) = 0$$

- The variation of the metric

$$\partial^\alpha X^\mu \partial^\beta X_\mu - \frac{1}{2}\gamma^{\alpha\beta}\partial_\delta X^\mu \partial^\delta X_\mu = 0$$

# The solutions of the equations of motion

- A rotating **classical solution**  $(\tau, \sigma)$  in  $\mathcal{R} \times [-\delta, \delta]$ ,

$$X = L[\tau, \cos(w\tau)R(\sigma), \sin(w\tau)R(\sigma), 0]$$

- Correspondingly the **boundary condition**

$$\frac{m}{TL} = \frac{1 - R^2(\delta)}{R(\delta)}$$

- In particular

$$X = L[\tau, \cos(\tau) \sin(\sigma), \sin(\tau) \sin(\sigma), 0] \quad \frac{m}{TL} = \frac{\cos^2 \delta}{\sin \delta}$$

# Classical Symmetries

- All 5 actions are invariant under certain global and local symmetries
- D dimensional Poincare invariance

$$X^\mu \rightarrow \Lambda^\mu_\nu X^\nu + a^\mu \quad \gamma^{\alpha\beta} \rightarrow \gamma^{\alpha\beta} \quad \eta \rightarrow \eta$$

- World-line reparameterization of the world-line action

$$\tau \rightarrow \tau'(\tau)$$

$$X^\mu(\tau) \rightarrow X'^\mu(\tau') = X^\mu(\tau)$$

$$\eta(\tau) \rightarrow \eta'(\tau') = \frac{\partial \tau}{\partial \tau'} \eta(\tau)$$

# Classical symmetries

- The bulk actions are invariant under **2d diffeo**

$$\tau \rightarrow \tau'(\tau, \sigma), \quad \sigma \rightarrow \sigma'(\tau, \sigma)$$

$$X^\mu(\tau, \sigma) \rightarrow X'^\mu(\tau', \sigma') = X^\mu(\tau, \sigma)$$

$$\gamma_{\alpha\beta}(\tau, \sigma) \rightarrow \gamma'_{\alpha\beta}(\tau', \sigma') = \frac{\partial\sigma^\gamma}{\partial\sigma'^\alpha} \frac{\partial\sigma^\delta}{\partial\sigma'^\beta} \gamma_{\alpha\beta}(\tau, \sigma)$$

- **Weyl invariance** of Polyakov's action

$$\gamma_{\alpha\beta}(\tau, \sigma) \rightarrow e^{2w(\tau, \sigma)} \gamma_{\alpha\beta}(\tau, \sigma)$$

# Classical symmetries

• For  $S_{(Pol,pa)}$  one has two options:

(i) Equate  $\eta(\tau) = \frac{\sqrt{-\gamma_{\tau\tau}(\sigma,\tau)|_{\sigma=-\delta,\sigma=\delta}}}{m^2}$

(ii) Take  $\eta(\tau)$  to be independent.

• In (i) the full action is not Weyl invariant

• In (ii) it is but the world line rep. **cannot eliminate the auxiliary field.**

• In both ways we **cannot gauge fix to get a free action.**



# The Noether charges

- The **Noether charge** associated with the **space-time translation** reads

$$P^\mu \equiv Q^\mu = T \int_{\delta}^{\delta} d\sigma \frac{1}{2\sqrt{\det(h_{\alpha\beta})}} \partial_{\dot{X}^0} \det(h_{\alpha\beta}) + m_L \frac{\dot{X}^\mu}{2\sqrt{\dot{X}^\nu \dot{X}_\nu}} \Big|_{\sigma=-\delta} + m_R \frac{\dot{X}^\mu}{2\sqrt{\dot{X}^\nu \dot{X}_\nu}} \Big|_{\sigma=\delta}$$

- The **Lorentz transformation** charges

$$J^{\mu\nu} = T \int_{\delta}^{\delta} d\sigma \frac{1}{2\sqrt{\det(h_{\alpha\beta})}} \left[ \partial_{\dot{X}^\mu} \det(h_{\alpha\beta}) X^\nu - \partial_{\dot{X}^\nu} \det(h_{\alpha\beta}) X^\mu \right] + m_L \frac{\dot{X}^\mu X^\nu - \dot{X}^\nu X^\mu}{2\sqrt{\dot{X}^\nu \dot{X}_\nu}} \Big|_{\sigma=-\delta} + m_R \frac{\dot{X}^\mu X^\nu - \dot{X}^\nu X^\mu}{2\sqrt{\dot{X}^\nu \dot{X}_\nu}} \Big|_{\sigma=\delta}$$



# The classical energy and angular momentum

- For the classical configuration

$$X^0 = l\tau \quad \rho = L\sigma \quad \phi = \omega\tau$$

- The energy and angular momentum are

$$E = \frac{2m}{\sqrt{1-\beta^2}} + 2Tl \frac{\arcsin(\beta)}{\beta}$$

$$J = 2ml \frac{\beta}{\sqrt{1-\beta^2}} + Tl^2 \left( \frac{\arcsin(\beta) - \beta\sqrt{1-\beta^2}}{\beta^2} \right)$$

# Small and large mass approximations

- Relations between E and J in the limits of
- **Small mass**

$$J = \alpha' E^2 - \alpha' \frac{4\pi^{1/2}}{3} (m_1^{3/2} + m_2^{3/2}) \sqrt{E}$$

- **Large mass**

$$J_{lm} = \frac{2m^{1/2}}{T3\sqrt{3}} (E - 2m)^{3/2} + \frac{7}{\sqrt{1083}m^{1/2}T} (E - 2m)^{5/2} - \frac{1003}{\sqrt{2332803}Tm^{3/2}} (E - 2m)^{7/2}$$

# Gauge fixing

- There are several ways to **fix the 2d diffeomorphism**
- The **static gauge**

$$\tau = \frac{X^0}{L} \quad \sigma = \arcsin\left(\frac{\rho}{L}\right)$$

- The **orthogonal gauge**

$$\dot{X}^\mu \dot{X}_\mu + X'^{\mu} X'_\mu = 0 \quad \dot{X}^\mu X'_\mu = 0$$

Or equivalently in ws light-cone coordinates

$$h_{++} = \partial_+ X^\mu \partial_+ X_\mu = 0 \quad h_{--} = \partial_- X^\mu \partial_- X_\mu = 0$$

# Gauge fixing

- In this gauge

$$h_{\alpha\beta} = \cos^2(\delta)\eta_{\alpha\beta}$$

- Another way is to take the **fluctuations** to be **orthogonal** to the classical solution

$$\partial_\alpha X^\mu \eta_{\mu\nu} \delta X^\nu = 0$$

*The quantization of static  
bosonic string with massive  
particles on its ends*

# The quantization of a static string

- The energy of the **quantized static** open string with no massive endpoints in the **D dimension** is (Arvis)

$$E_n = \sqrt{(TL)^2 + 2\pi T \left( n - \frac{D-2}{24} \right)}$$

- A **naïve** generalization of the static to a **rotating string** with no massive endpoints

$$E_n = \sqrt{(2\pi T J)^2 + 2\pi T \left( n - \frac{D-2}{24} \right)}$$

- Which translates to the **Regge** relation

$$n + J = \alpha' E_n^2 + a \quad a = \frac{D-2}{24}$$

# The quantization of the static string

- In solutions of the EQN are ( in the TL/m<1 limit)

$$X^\mu = x^\mu + l^2 p^\mu \tau + il\sqrt{2} \sum_{n \neq 0} \frac{1}{\omega_n} \alpha_n^\mu \cos(\omega_n \sigma + \phi_n) e^{-i\omega_n \tau}$$

- The **eigenfrequencies** and phases are given by

$$\tan(\phi_n) = \frac{m^2 \omega_n}{T} \quad \tan(\omega_n \pi) + \frac{2Tm^2 \omega_n}{T^2 - (\omega_n m^2)^2} = 0$$

- In the limit of **massless and infinite mass** we get

$$\omega_n = n.$$

# The quantum energy of the static string

- The **quantum energy** is the sum of the classical energy and the energy from the quantum fluctuations

$$\delta x^\mu = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2T}} \sum_{n \neq 0} e^{-i\omega_n t} \frac{\alpha_n^\mu}{\omega_n} u_n(\rho)$$

- Subjected to the **orthogonality** conditions

$$\int_0^L d\rho u_n(\rho) u_m(\rho) \epsilon(\rho) = \delta_{nm}$$

$$\int_0^L d\rho u'_n(\rho) u'_m(\rho) = \omega_n^2 \delta_{nm}$$

$$\epsilon(\rho) = 1 + \frac{m}{T} [\delta(\rho + L/2) + \delta(\rho - L/2)]$$



# The quantum energy of the static string

The usual **quantization algebra**

$$[\alpha_n^i, \alpha_m^j] = \omega_n \delta^{ij} \delta_{n+m,0},$$

$$i, j = 1, \dots, D-2, \quad n, m = \pm 1, \pm 2, \dots$$

When translated to **Fock space** operators

$$\alpha_n^j = \sqrt{\omega_n} a_n^j, \quad \alpha_n^{j+} = \sqrt{\omega_n} a_n^{j+},$$

$$[a_n^i, a_m^{j+}] = \delta^{ij} \delta_{nm}, \quad n, m = 1, 2, \dots,$$

# The quantum energy of the static string

- The **quantum energy** is

$$E = \frac{T}{2} \int_{-L/2}^{L/2} d\rho (\delta \dot{X}^i)^2 \epsilon(\rho) + (\delta X^{i'})^2$$

- Substituting the creation and annihilation operators

$$\begin{aligned} E &= \frac{1}{L} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \sum_{i=1}^{D-2} (\alpha_n^i \alpha_n^{i\dagger} + \alpha_n^{i\dagger} \alpha_n^i) \\ &= \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \sum_{i=1}^{D-2} \alpha_n^{i\dagger} \alpha_n^i + \frac{D-2}{2} \frac{1}{L} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} w_n \end{aligned}$$

- Thus the **Casimir energy** is

$$E_C(m) = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} w_n$$

# The Casimir energy

- The **Casimir energy** ( or the intercept) is given by

$$E_C(m) = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} w_n$$

- For the special cases

$$E_C(m = \infty) = E_C(m = 0) = \frac{\pi}{2L} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} n = -\frac{\pi}{24L}$$

- For finite mass

$$w_n = n + f(R) \frac{1}{n}$$

and we cannot use the **zeta function regularization**

# The Casimir energy

- How can we sum over the eigenfrequencies for the massive case?
- We use a **contour integral** to compute the sum using (Lambiasi Nesterenko)

$$\frac{1}{2\pi i} \oint_C dw w \frac{f'(w)}{f(w)} = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \oint_C dw w [Lan f(w)]' = \sum_k n_k w_k - \sum_l p_l \tilde{w}_l$$

we take

zeros

poles

$$f(w) = 2mT w \cos(wL) - (m^2 w^2 - T^2) \sin(wL) = 0$$

So the **Casimir energy** is

$$E_C(m) = \frac{1}{4\pi i} \oint_C dw w [Lan f(w)]'$$

# The Casimir energy

- Where  $C$  is a contour that includes the real semi-axis where all the roots of  $f(w)$  occur.
- Since  $f(w)$  does not have poles we deform the contour to a **semi-circle** of radius  $\Lambda$  and a segment along the imaginary axis  $(-i\Lambda, i\Lambda)$ .
- The Casimir energy thus reads

$$E_C^{(reg)}(m, L) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^\Lambda dy Lan [2mTy \cosh(yL) + (m^2y^2 + T^2) \sinh(yL)] \\ + \frac{1}{4\pi} [w Lan[f(w)]]_{-\Lambda}^\Lambda + I_{sc}(\Lambda)$$

- To **regularize and renormalize** the result we **subtract**

$$E_C^{(ren)}(m, L) = \lim_{\Lambda \rightarrow \infty} [E_C^{(reg)}(m, L) - E_C^{(reg)}(m, L \rightarrow \infty)]$$

# The Casimir energy

- The subtracted energy is

$$E_C^{(erg)}(m, L \rightarrow \infty) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^\Lambda dy \text{Lan} \left[ e^{(yL)} \frac{(my + T)^2}{2} \right]$$

- The **renormalized Casimir** energy is thus

$$E_C^{(ren)}(m, L) = \int_0^\infty dx \text{Lan} \left[ 1 - e^{-2x} \left( \frac{(x-a)}{(x+a)} \right)^2 \cosh(xL) + (m^2 x^2 + T^2) \sinh(xL) \right]$$

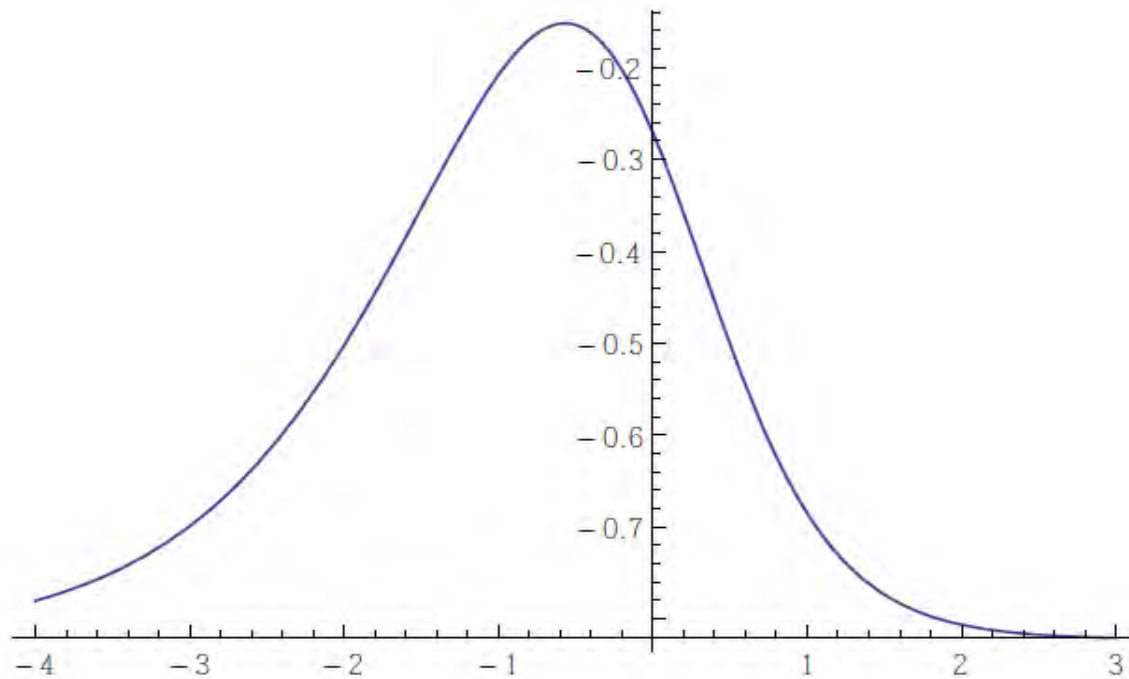
- For the massless and infinite mass cases

$$E_C^{(ren)}(m=0, L) = E_C^{(ren)}(m=\infty, L) = \int_0^\infty dx \text{Lan} [1 - e^{-2xL}] = -\frac{\pi}{24L}$$

# The Casimir energy

- Denoting  $a=m/TL$  we define the ratio

$$\eta(a) = \frac{E_c^{(ren)}(m, L)}{E_c^{(ren)}(m = \infty, L)} = -\frac{12}{\pi^2} \int_0^\infty dz Lan \left[ 1 - e^{-2z} \left( \frac{1 - az}{1 + az} \right)^2 \right]$$



$\eta$  as a function of  $Lan_{10}(a)$



*Back to the quantization of the  
rotating critical string*



# From the static string to the rotating one

- Before explicit analysis of the rotating string we can conjecture that ( at least for the transverse modes) the result for the **rotating string** can be inferred from the **static case**
- For the rotating string we replace

$$TL = \sqrt{\frac{2}{\pi}} \sqrt{TJ} f\left(\frac{m_{sep}}{M}\right)$$

- For the **massless** and **small mass** cases we have

$$f\left(\frac{m_{sep}}{M}\right) = 1 \quad \text{for } a = 0 \quad f\left(\frac{m_{sep}}{M}\right) = \sqrt{1 - \frac{8\sqrt{\pi}}{3} \left(\frac{m_{sep}}{M}\right)^{3/2}} \quad a \ll 1$$

- **Large mass**

$$TL \sim \left(\frac{TJ}{\sqrt{m}}\right)^{2/3}$$

# The quantum trajectories

• The **quantum energy and angular momentum** is found by

(i) inserting into the expressions of the Noether charges

$$X^i = X_{cl}^i(\tau, \sigma) + \delta X^i(\tau, \sigma)$$

(ii) Expanding to quadratic order which means taking the **leading order in TL/m**

(iii) Imposing **gauge fixing** conditions

# The quantum trajectories

- The **energy and angular momentum** are given by

$$\begin{aligned}
 E &= T \int_{-\delta}^{\delta} d\sigma \frac{\left[ \dot{X}^0 \left( -(X'^0)^2 + \rho'^2 + \rho^2 \dot{\phi}'^2 + \dot{\vec{z}} \cdot \dot{\vec{z}} \right) - X'^0 \left( -(\dot{X}^0)X'^0 + \dot{\rho}\rho' + \rho^2 \dot{\phi}\phi' + \dot{\vec{z}} \cdot \dot{\vec{z}} \right) \right]}{\sqrt{\det[h_{\alpha\beta}]}} \\
 &+ m \left[ \frac{\dot{X}^0}{\sqrt{-(\dot{X}^0)^2 + \dot{\rho}^2 + \rho^2 \dot{\phi}^2 + \dot{\vec{z}} \cdot \dot{\vec{z}}}} \right]_{\sigma=\pm\delta} \\
 J &= T \int_{-\delta}^{\delta} d\sigma \frac{\left[ \rho \dot{\phi} \left( -(X'^0)^2 + \rho'^2 + \rho^2 \dot{\phi}'^2 + \dot{\vec{z}} \cdot \dot{\vec{z}} \right) - \rho^2 \phi' \left( -(\dot{X}^0)X'^0 + \dot{\rho}\rho' + \rho^2 \dot{\phi}\phi' + \dot{\vec{z}} \cdot \dot{\vec{z}} \right) \right]}{\sqrt{\det[h_{\alpha\beta}]}} \\
 &+ m \left[ \frac{\rho^2 \dot{\phi}}{\sqrt{-(\dot{X}^0)^2 + \dot{\rho}^2 + \rho^2 \dot{\phi}^2 + \dot{\vec{z}} \cdot \dot{\vec{z}}}} \right]_{\sigma=\pm\delta}
 \end{aligned}$$

- The **determinant** is given by

$$\begin{aligned}
 \det[h_{\alpha\beta}] &= \left( -(\dot{X}^0)^2 + \dot{\rho}^2 + \rho^2 \dot{\phi}^2 + \dot{\vec{z}} \cdot \dot{\vec{z}} \right) \left( -(X'^0)^2 + \rho'^2 + \rho^2 \dot{\phi}'^2 + \dot{\vec{z}} \cdot \dot{\vec{z}} \right) \\
 &- \left( -(\dot{X}^0)X'^0 + \dot{\rho}\rho' + \rho^2 \dot{\phi}\phi' + \dot{\vec{z}} \cdot \dot{\vec{z}} \right)
 \end{aligned}$$

# The quantum trajectories of the massless case

- In the **massless case** we can follow either the static or the orthogonal gauges
- In the **static gauge** up to **quadratic order**

$$= TL \int_{-\pi/2}^{\pi/2} d\sigma \left[ 1 + \frac{1}{2} \tan^2(\sigma) [(\dot{\phi})^2 + (\phi')^2] + \frac{1}{2} \frac{1}{\cos^2(\sigma)} ([\dot{\vec{z}} \cdot \dot{\vec{z}} + \vec{z}' \cdot \vec{z}'] \right]$$
$$= TL^2 \int_{-\pi/2}^{\pi/2} d\sigma \sin^2(\sigma) \left[ 1 + \frac{1}{2} \tan^2(\sigma) [(\dot{\phi})^2 + (\phi')^2] + \frac{1}{2} \frac{1}{\cos^2(\sigma)} ([\dot{\vec{z}} \cdot \dot{\vec{z}} + \vec{z}' \cdot \vec{z}'] \right]$$

- We find that the following **quantum deformation**

$$L\delta E = L(E - E_{cl}) = \alpha' \delta(E^2) = \int_{-\pi/2}^{\pi/2} d\sigma \langle |\mathcal{H}_{ws}| \rangle \equiv a$$

# The quantum trajectories of the massless case

- In the **orthogonal gauge**

$$= T \int_{-\pi/2}^{\pi/2} d\sigma \partial_\tau (X_{cl}^0 + \delta X^0) = \pi T L + T \int_{-\pi/2}^{\pi/2} d\sigma \dot{\delta X}^0$$

$$= T \int_{-\pi/2}^{\pi/2} d\sigma \rho^2 \partial_\tau (\phi_{cl} + \delta\phi) = \frac{1}{2} \pi T L^2 + T L^2 \int_{-\pi/2}^{\pi/2} d\sigma \left( \sin^2(\sigma) \dot{\delta\phi} + 2 \sin(\sigma) \right)$$

- We use the gauge fixing condition to rewrite the linear deformations with a quadratic form
- This leads again to

$$\alpha' \delta E^2 = L \delta E = \int_{-\pi/2}^{\pi/2} d\sigma \langle |\mathcal{H}_{ws}(\delta X^\mu)| \rangle$$

# The massive case- the transverse model

- For the string with **massive endpoints** we first **switch off the fluctuations in the plane of rotation** and consider the contribution to E and J from the **transverse modes**.
- Similar to the static string we get

$$\alpha' \delta(E^2) = \langle |\mathcal{H}_{ws}(\delta X^\mu)| \rangle + \mathcal{H}_{ws}|_{\sigma=\pm\delta}$$

- This translates to

$$a_{transverse} = \frac{D-3}{2} \sum_n w_n$$



# The contribution from the planar mode

- The contribution of  $\delta\phi$  is more subtle
- The NG action for it reads [Pando Zayas, Vaman, J.S]

$$S_{NG} = T_s \left( \int \sqrt{e^4 \cos^4(\sigma)} + \frac{e^2 \tan^2(\sigma)}{2} (-\delta\dot{\phi}^2 + \delta\phi'^2) - \frac{1}{2} (\delta\dot{z}\delta\dot{z} - \delta z'\delta z') \right)$$

- We can do a **field redefinition**  $\delta\tilde{\phi} = \delta\phi \tan(\sigma)$

- This has to solve

$$\left( \partial_\sigma^2 - \partial_\tau^2 - \frac{2}{\cos^2(\sigma)} \right) \delta\tilde{\phi}(\sigma) = 0.$$

- The **eigenmode expansion**

$$\begin{aligned} \delta\tilde{\phi}(\sigma, \tau) &= \tilde{\phi}_{nm} \chi_{nm}(\sigma, \tau) \\ &\equiv \sum_n \frac{\exp(in\tau)}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \left( \sum_{m=\text{odd}} \tilde{\phi}_{nm} \frac{1}{\sqrt{\pi(m^2-1)}} (m \sin(m\sigma) - \cos(m\sigma) \tan \sigma) \right. \\ &\quad \left. + \sum_{m=\text{even}} \tilde{\phi}_{nm} \frac{1}{\sqrt{\pi(m^2-1)}} (m \cos(m\sigma) + \sin(m\sigma) \tan \sigma) \right) \end{aligned} \quad (3)$$

# The contribution from the planar mode

- With the **normalization**

$$\left(\partial_\tau^2 - \partial_\sigma^2 + \frac{2}{\cos^2 \sigma}\right)\chi_{nm}(\sigma, \tau) = (m^2 - n^2)\chi_{nm}(\sigma, \tau) \equiv \lambda_{nm}\chi_{nm}(\sigma, \tau),$$
$$\int_{-\pi}^{\pi} d\sigma \chi_{nm}\chi_{n'm'} = e^{i(n+n')\tau} \delta_{m-m'}.$$

- The **eigenmode with  $m=0$  vanishes** and so we need a special solution for that case which is

$$\chi_{nm=1} = \frac{1}{\cos \sigma}.$$

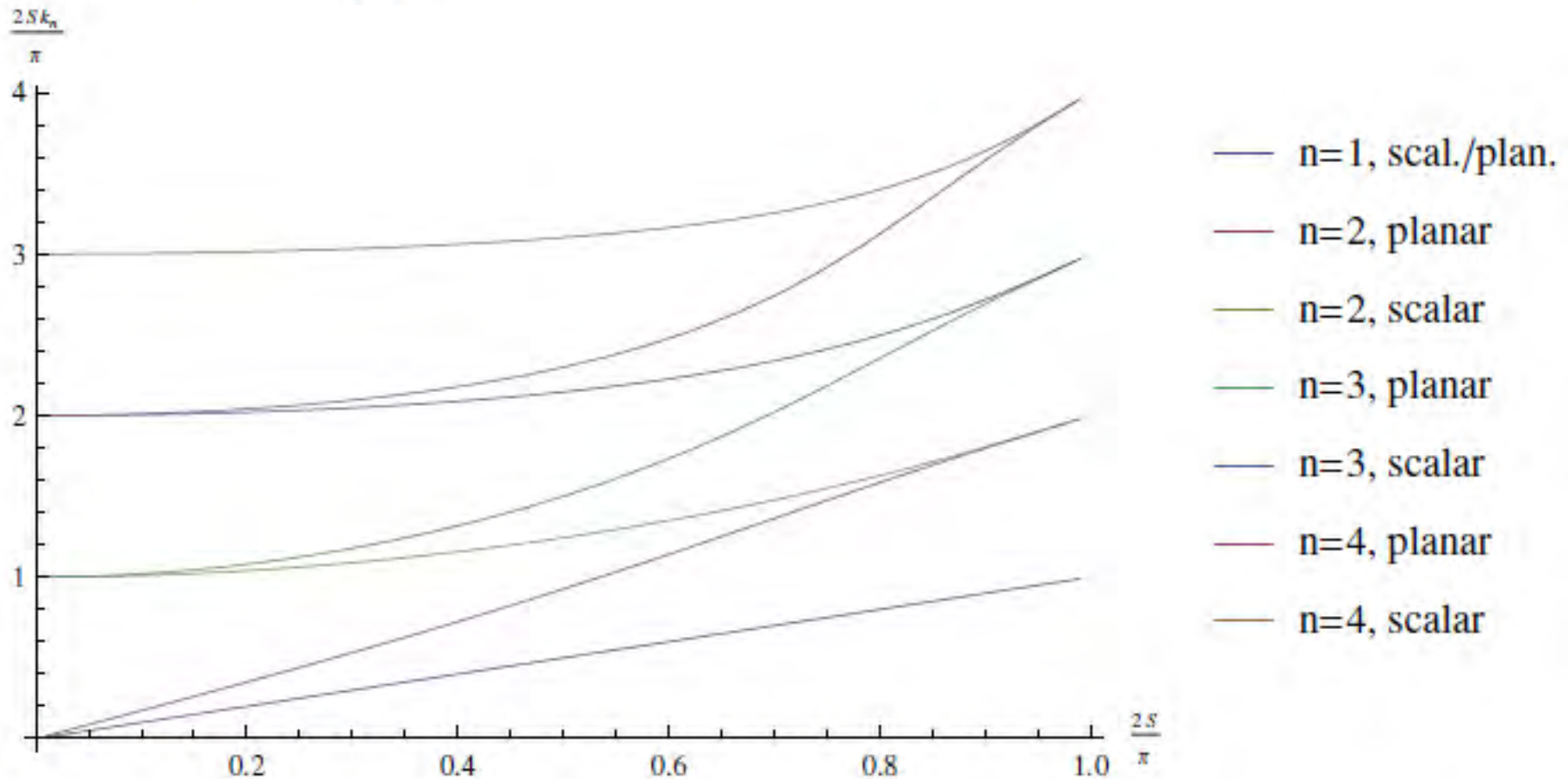
- However this is **not  $\sigma$  normalizable** and hence cannot be counted.



# The low lying spectrum

• The **low lying spectrum** as a function of  $\delta$  where

$$\frac{m}{TL} = \frac{\cos^2 \delta}{\sin \delta} \quad \text{was numerically derived by [Zahn]}$$



*On the quantization of the  
rotating string in non-critical  
dimensions*

# The non criticality term: Liouville term

- The **quantum string** action is **inconsistent** for a **non-critical** D dimensions.
- In the **Polyakov** formulation for quantum conformal invariance one has to add a **Liouville** term.
- It can be built from a “composite Liouville field”

$$\varphi \equiv -\frac{1}{2} \ln(g^{ab} \partial_a X^\mu \partial_b X_\mu)$$

- The action then reads

$$S = S_{\text{Polyakov}} + S_{\text{composite Liouville}}$$

- The Liouville term is

$$S_{\text{composite Liouville}} \equiv S_\varphi = \frac{\beta}{2\pi} \int d^2\sigma \sqrt{|g|} (g^{ab} \partial_a \varphi \partial_b \varphi - \varphi \mathcal{R}_{(2)})$$

where

$$\beta \equiv \frac{26-D}{12}$$

# The non criticality term: The Polchinsky Strominger term

- In the **Nambu-Goto** formulation the anomaly is cancelled by adding a **Polchinsky Strominger** term

- For a classical rotating string parameterized as

$$X = l(\tau, \cos(\tau) \sin(\sigma), \sin(\tau) \sin(\sigma), 0)$$

- The induced metric is  $h_{\alpha\beta} = l^2 \cos^2(\sigma) \eta_{\alpha\beta}$

- For the range of  $(\tau, \sigma) \quad \mathcal{R} \times [-\delta, \delta]$

- The boundary condition is

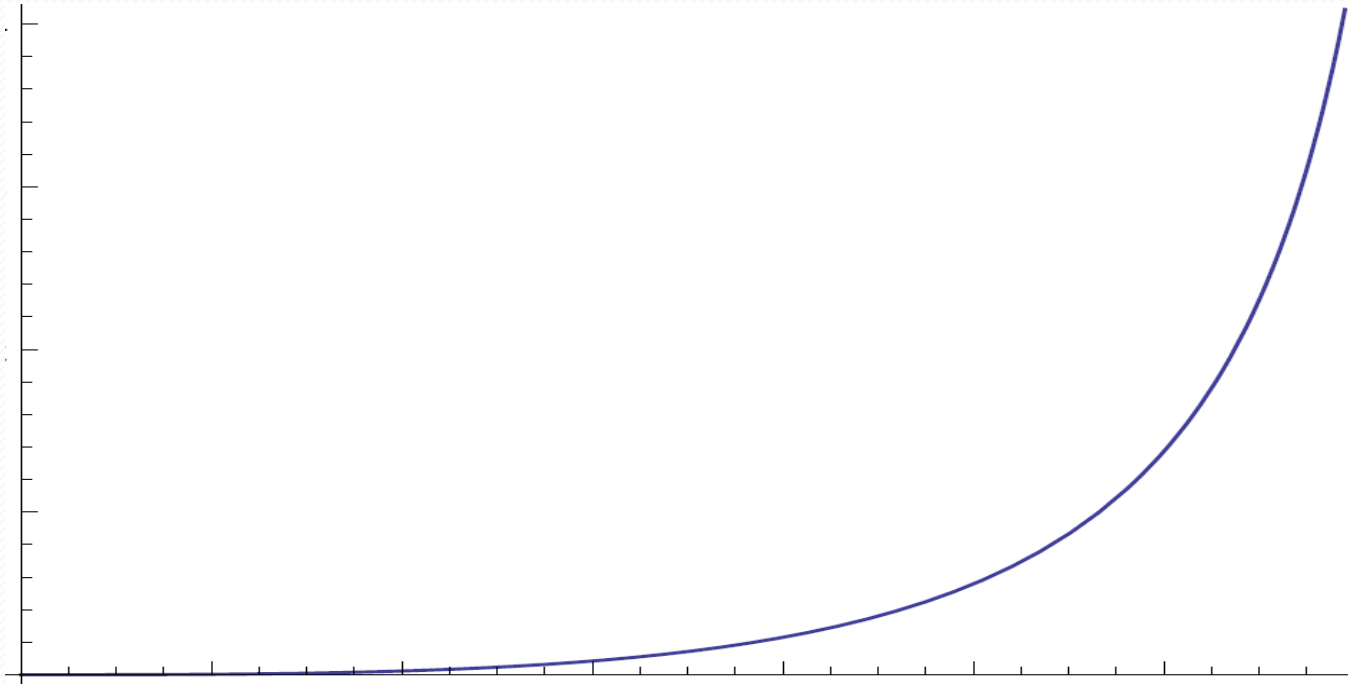
$$\frac{m}{Tl} = \frac{\cos \delta}{\tan \delta}$$

- The PS term is

$$\begin{aligned} S_{ps} &= \int_{-\delta}^{\delta} \frac{26 - D}{24\pi} \frac{(\partial_+^2 X \cdot \partial_- X)(\partial_-^2 X \cdot \partial_+ X)}{(\partial_+ X \cdot \partial_- X)} = -\frac{26 - D}{24\pi} \int_{-\delta}^{\delta} d\sigma \tan^2(\sigma) \\ &= -\frac{26 - D}{12\pi} (\tan(\delta) - \delta) \end{aligned}$$

# The PS term

- The PS action as a function of  $\delta$



- The PS term diverges for the massless case. In that case one can use the renormalization procedure of Hellerman et al

## The non-criticality term for the massless case

- Inserting the rotating classical string to the Liouville field one finds that
- The **Liouville** term = The **Polchinsky Strominger** term
- For the **massless** case  $\delta = \pi/2$  and the non-critical term diverges.
- **Hellerman** et al suggested a procedure to **regularize and renormalize** this divergence for the massless case.
- They found that the intercept **dose not depend on D**

$$a = \frac{D-2}{24} + \frac{26-D}{24} = 1$$

- The question is what happens in the massive case

# Leading 1/m order quantum correction

- In the limit of large  $m/TL$  ( $v \ll 1$ ) the boundary eom

$$\frac{TL}{\gamma} = m\gamma(wL)^2 \Rightarrow (wL)^2 = \frac{TL}{m} \ll 1$$

- The classical trajectory

$$J \sim \frac{4\pi}{3\sqrt{3}} \alpha' m^{1/2} (E - 2m)^{3/2} + O(E - 2m)^{5/2}$$

- The quantum corrected trajectory involves

$$\alpha' E_{cl}^2 \rightarrow \alpha' E_{qm}^2 = \alpha' E_{cl}^2 + a = \alpha' E_{cl}^2 + (a_{Cas} + a_{PS})$$



# Leading 1/m order quantum correction

- Thus the **corrected trajectory** reads

$$J \sim \frac{4\pi}{3\sqrt{3}} \alpha' m^{1/2} \left( \sqrt{E^2 + \frac{(a_{Cas} + a_{PS})}{\alpha'}} - 2m \right)^{3/2} + O(E - 2m)^{5/2}$$

- The contribution of Sps to the intercept for D=4

$$a_{ps} = -\frac{26 - D}{12\pi} (\tan(\delta) - \delta) = -\frac{11}{36\pi} \left( \frac{TL}{m} \right)^3$$

- We can replace the dependence on TL with

$$\frac{TL}{m} \simeq \left( \frac{3\sqrt{3} TJ}{2 m^2} \right)^{2/3}$$

$$a_{ps} \simeq -\frac{2}{\pi} \left( \frac{TJ}{m^2} \right)^2$$

- We can approximate the  $a_{Cas}$

$$a_{Cas} \simeq \frac{3}{2\pi} \left[ 0.18 \left( \frac{TL}{m} \right) - 0.07 \right] = 0.16 \left( \frac{TJ}{m^2} \right)^{2/3} - 0.06$$





# *Summary and open questions*

# Summary and open questions

- **Precise fits to hadronic spectra** require the full quantization of a string with massive endpoints.
- In general this is **not a free system**
- We can solve it in the **leading order** in

$$\frac{TL}{m} \sim \left( \frac{TJ}{m^2} \right)^{2/3}$$

- We computed the **Casimir energy** due to the transverse modes. The planar modes are subtle.
- The **Polchinski Strominger** action is **singular** for the massless case. It has to be amended.
- Will redo our fits to test the results of the quantization

# Summary and open questions