

# Anomalous dimension of 2d non-linear Sigma Models

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# Why sigma models?

Sigma models appear many times in low and high energy physics. We focus on 2d non-linear sigma models, that are renormalizable. In particular we focus on the case in which we have target-space supersymmetry.

Examples:

- String theory
- Disordered fermions
- ...



# What is a non-linear sigma model?

$$(\mathcal{M}, g) \quad \phi : \Sigma \rightarrow \mathcal{M} \quad (1)$$

$$S_{SM}[\Phi(\sigma)] = \frac{1}{2} \int_{\Sigma} d^d \sigma \eta^{\mu\nu} g_{ab} \partial_{\mu} \phi^a \partial_{\nu} \phi^b \quad (2)$$

We focus on  $d = 2$ . This is not the most general action one can write, in principle one could add other terms, like a B-field. The form of the possible actions is very much determined by the background.



# Coset

Today we are going to focus on sigma model on cosets:  $\mathcal{M} = \frac{G}{H}$

$$g \sim gh \quad \forall h \in H \subset G \quad (3)$$

Lie algebra:

$$\mathfrak{g} = \mathfrak{h} \oplus_{\perp} \mathfrak{m} \quad [\mathfrak{h}, \mathfrak{m}] \subseteq \mathfrak{m} \quad (\cdot, \cdot) \text{bilinear form} \quad (4)$$

$P$  is the projector on  $\mathfrak{m}$ , and using the currents  $j = g^{-1}dg$ , we can rewrite the action:

$$S = \frac{1}{2} \int_{\Sigma} d^d \sigma \eta^{\mu\nu} (P(j_\mu), P(j_\nu)) \quad (5)$$



Symmetric spaces  $\frac{G}{H}$ 

$$\mathfrak{g} = \mathfrak{g}_0 + \mathfrak{g}_1 \quad (6)$$

$\sigma : G \rightarrow G$  leaves invariant  $\mathfrak{h}$  elements. So  $\mathfrak{h} = \mathfrak{g}_0$

$$[T_0, T_0] \subset \mathfrak{g}_0 \quad (7)$$

$$\sigma^2 = 1 \quad \sigma(T_A) = (-)^{|A|} T_A \quad (8)$$

$$[T_1, T_1] \subset \mathfrak{g}_0, \quad [T_1, T_0] \subset \mathfrak{g}_1 \quad (9)$$



## Semi-Symmetric spaces $\frac{G}{H}$

$$\mathfrak{g} = \mathfrak{g}_0 + \mathfrak{g}_1 + \mathfrak{g}_2 + \mathfrak{g}_3 \quad (6)$$

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$$[T_A, T_B] \subset \mathfrak{g}_{A+B \bmod 4} \quad (9)$$



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Supersphere

$$S^{2S+1|2S}$$

### Semisymmetric

$$\mathbb{Z}_4$$



AdS spaces

$$AdS_n \times S^n$$

The study of non linear sigma models becomes difficult if we go in the strong curvature regime. For the study of this regime are widely used dualities (strong/weak coupling).

AdS/CFT



# Sigma models action on $Z_{2N}$ cosets

$$S = \frac{1}{2} \int_{\Sigma} \frac{d^2 z}{\pi} \sum_{A=1}^{2N-1} (p_A + q_A) \text{Str}(P_{A\bar{J}}, P_{A'\bar{J}}) \quad (10)$$

Symmetric  $N = 1$

$$p_1 = 1, q_1 = 0 \quad (11)$$

Semi-symmetric  $N = 2$

$$p_A = 1, \quad q_A = 1 - \frac{A}{2}, \quad \text{for } A = 1, 2, 3 \text{ hybrid model} \quad (12)$$



# One more thing before the examples... Fields

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The dilation operator will therefore act on a space

$$L^2(G) \otimes \mathfrak{m}^r \otimes \mathfrak{m}^{\bar{r}} \quad (14)$$



# One-loop anomalous dimension

$$\langle \Phi_\Lambda(u, \bar{u}) \otimes \Phi_\Xi(v, \bar{v}) \rangle_1 = \langle 2\delta \mathbf{h} \cdot \Phi_\Lambda(u, \bar{u}) \otimes \Phi_\Xi(v, \bar{v}) \rangle_0 \log \left| \frac{\epsilon}{u - v} \right|^2 + \dots \quad (15)$$

$$\langle \Phi_\Lambda(u, \bar{u}) \otimes \Phi_\Xi(v, \bar{v}) \rangle = \int_{G/H} d\mu \langle \Phi_\Lambda(u, \bar{u} | g_0) \otimes \Phi_\Xi(v, \bar{v} | g_0) e^{-S_{\text{int}}} \rangle , \quad (16)$$



# $Z_2$ sigma model

$$S = \frac{1}{2} \int_{\Sigma} \frac{d^2 z}{\pi} (\jmath_z, \bar{\jmath}_{\bar{z}}) \quad (17)$$

where  $\jmath$  has grading one.

$$\jmath = e^{-\phi} \partial e^\phi = \left[ \partial \phi - \frac{1}{2} [\phi, \partial \phi] + \frac{1}{6} [\phi, [\phi, \partial \phi]] \right] + \cdots . \quad (18)$$

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# One loop anomalous dimension

$$\langle \phi(z, \bar{z}) \otimes \phi(w, \bar{w}) \rangle_0 = -\log \left| \frac{z-w}{\epsilon} \right|^2 t_i \otimes t^i \quad \Phi_\Lambda = dV j_{\mathbf{m}} \otimes \bar{j}_{\bar{\mathbf{m}}} \quad (20)$$

Two correlators contribute:

$$\left\langle V^{(1)} \otimes j_{\mathbf{m}}^{(0)}(u) \otimes \bar{j}_{\bar{\mathbf{m}}}^{(0)}(\bar{u}) \otimes V^{(1)} \otimes j_{\mathbf{m}}^{(0)}(v) \otimes \bar{j}_{\bar{\mathbf{m}}}^{(0)}(\bar{v}) \right\rangle \quad (21)$$

$$\int_{\mathbb{C}_\epsilon} d^2 z \left\langle V^{(0)} \otimes j_{\mathbf{m}}^{(0)}(u) \otimes \bar{j}_{\bar{\mathbf{m}}}^{(0)}(\bar{u}) \otimes V^{(0)} \otimes j_{\mathbf{m}}^{(0)}(v) \otimes \bar{j}_{\bar{\mathbf{m}}}^{(0)}(\bar{v}) \Omega_4(z, \bar{z}) \right\rangle \quad (22)$$

$$\delta h = \frac{1}{2R^2} \left( \underbrace{C_\Lambda}_G + \underbrace{C_\mu + C_{\bar{\mu}}}_H \right)$$

$$S = \frac{1}{2} \int_{\Sigma} \frac{d^2 z}{\pi} \sum_{A=1}^3 (p_A + q_A) (P_{A\bar{J}}, P_{A'\bar{J}}) , \quad p_0 = 0, \quad q_0 = 0 \quad (23)$$

Conformal, hybrid model:

$$S = \frac{1}{2} \int_{\Sigma} \frac{d^2 z}{\pi} (\jmath_2, \bar{\jmath}_2) + \frac{3}{2} (\jmath_1, \bar{\jmath}_3) + \frac{1}{2} (\jmath_3, \bar{\jmath}_1) \quad (24)$$

$$S_{\text{int}} = \int \frac{d^2 z}{\pi} \Omega_3 + \Omega_4 \quad (25)$$

$$j^{(1)} = \frac{1}{2} [\phi, \partial \phi] \quad (26)$$



# Dilation operator

acts on  $L^2(G) \otimes \mathfrak{m}^r \otimes \mathfrak{m}^{\bar{r}}$

$$D_{r,\bar{r}}^{\text{1-loop}} = H^{\text{h}} + H^{\text{ht}} + H^{\text{tt}} . \quad (27)$$

$$H^{\text{h}} = C_{\mathfrak{g}} - C_{\mathfrak{h}} .$$

$$H^{\text{ht}} = - \sum_{\rho=1}^r ((-1)^c + Q_{\alpha\gamma}) R(t_c) (t^c)_\alpha^\rho - \sum_{\bar{\rho}=1}^{\bar{r}} ((-1)^c + Q_{\alpha\gamma}) R(t_c) (t^c)_\alpha^{\bar{\rho}}$$

$$Q_{\alpha\beta} \equiv q_\alpha + q_\beta - q_{\alpha+\beta} . \quad (28)$$



$H^{tt}$ 

$$H_{\text{pair}}^{\text{XXZ}} = \sigma^x \otimes \sigma^x + \sigma^y \otimes \sigma^y + \Delta \sigma^z \otimes \sigma^z = (1 + \Delta)(I + P) + (1 - \Delta)K .$$

as for the XXZ model we have three operators

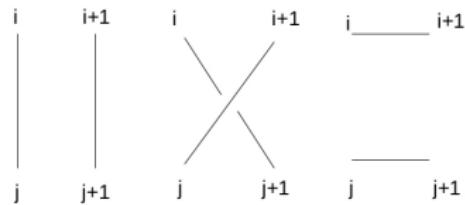
$$X_{\alpha\beta\gamma\delta}^{abcd} = (-1)^{|c||d|} f^{bai} f^{cd}_i , \quad (29)$$

$$A_{\alpha\beta\gamma\delta}^{abcd} = (-1)^{|c|} f^{adi} f^{cb}_i , \quad (30)$$

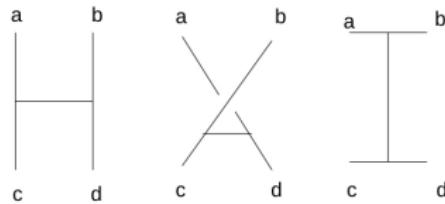
$$H_{\alpha\beta\gamma\delta}^{abcd} = (-1)^{|b|+|b||d|} f^{aci} f^{bd}_i . \quad (31)$$

$$H^{tt} = f(p, q)X + g(p, q)A + h(p, q)H \quad (32)$$



$H^{tt}$ 

I P K



H A X

## Beta-function

Let's take the case of  $AdS_5 \times S^5$ . We can show that the operator

$$(\mathcal{J}_{2+}, \bar{\mathcal{J}}_{2+}) + (\mathcal{J}_{2-}, \bar{\mathcal{J}}_{2-}) + \frac{3}{2}(\mathcal{J}_1, \bar{\mathcal{J}}_3) + \frac{1}{2}(\mathcal{J}_3, \bar{\mathcal{J}}_1) \quad (33)$$

has zero anomalous dimension. This is analogous to say that the beta function is vanishing. "+" and "-" refer to the sphere and AdS respectively

$$D_{1,1}^{\text{1-loop}} = C \cdot \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & -1 & 0 \\ -1 & 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & -1 & -1 \\ 0 & -1 & 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}, \quad C = f_{132+} f^{132+}$$

$$\Rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} \frac{3}{2} \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ \frac{1}{2} \end{pmatrix}$$

# Conclusions and outlook

- We found the one-loop anomalous dimension for  $Z_4$  coset sigma model with a particular choice of parameters that guarantees to have a conformal and integrable system.
- Our result is applicable in the study of string theories described by the hybrid model formalism.
- The result is obtain without using integrability, thus it can give complementary and independent information.
- We have seen that our result reproduce the vanishing of the beta function in the  $AdS_5 \times S^5$  case. The same thing happen for the vanishing of the one-loop anomalous dimension of the Noether currents (not presented in this talk).



# Conclusions and outlook

- To study the spectrum of the sigma model we now need a bit of harmonic analysis on cosets with a non-compact stability group.
- It would be interesting to generalize the study to non conformal cases.
- The case of Green-Schwarz formalism still need to be studied.
- If in this case one would observe instability like in the symmetric case, we could use the many integrability results to address this problem. The problem of instabilities in sigma model is a long standing problem, that still need to be clarified.



# Thank you