

Matrix models describing the quantum bosonic membrane in the large N limit

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Outline

Extended objects = minimal surfaces in Minkowski space

Motivation: Theory of Everything, String Theory, M-theory, dimensionally reduced Yang-Mills theory

Problems : exact solvability, non-linearity, quantisation of systems with infinitely many degrees of freedom

Supersymmetric Matrix Models: continuous spectrum and embedded eigenvalues

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$$\Delta x^\mu = 0, \text{ vanishing mean curvature}$$

Extended objects: light-cone formulation

Light-cone variables

$$\tau := \frac{x^0 + x^D}{2}, \quad \zeta := x^0 - x^D, \quad (1.2)$$

Diffeomorphism invariance of S allows to set $\varphi^0 = \tau$ and $G_{0r} = 0$, $r = 1, \dots, D - 1 =: d$ (**light-cone gauge**)

$$G_{\alpha\beta} = \begin{pmatrix} 2\dot{\zeta} - \dot{\vec{x}}^2 & 0 \\ 0 & -g_{rs} \end{pmatrix}$$

Light-cone Hamiltonian

$$H_-[\vec{x}, \vec{p}, \zeta_0, P_+] := P_- = \frac{1}{2P_+} \int \frac{p^2 + g}{\rho} d^M \varphi, \quad g = \det(g_{rs}) \quad (1.3)$$

polynomial of order $2M!$

Extended objects: light-cone formulation, M=2

Lorentz-invariant mass squared for membranes ($M = 2$)

$$\mathbb{M}_d^2 := P^\mu P_\mu = 2P_- P_+ - \vec{P}^2 \quad (1.4)$$

$$= \int_{\Sigma} \left(\frac{\vec{p}^2}{\rho} + \frac{\rho}{2} \sum_{i,j} \{x_i, x_j\}_{\Sigma} \right) d^2\varphi - \vec{P}^2, \quad (1.5)$$

where $\{.,.\}_{\Sigma}$ denotes the Poisson bracket on Σ

$$\{x_i, x_j\}_{\Sigma} = \frac{1}{\rho} \epsilon^{ab} \frac{\delta x_i}{\delta \varphi^a} \frac{\delta x_j}{\delta \varphi^b}. \quad (1.6)$$

Mode expansion

Expand the 'internal' phase-space variables into Fourier series

$$x_i(\varphi) = x_{i\alpha} Y_\alpha(\varphi) \quad p_i(\varphi) = p_{i\alpha} Y_\alpha(\varphi), \quad (1.7)$$

$\{Y_\alpha\}_{\alpha=1}^\infty$ eigenfunctions of Δ

$$\mathbb{M}_d^2 = p_{i\alpha} p_{i\alpha} + \frac{1}{2} g_{\alpha\beta\gamma} g_{\alpha\beta'\gamma'} x_{i\beta} x_{i\beta'} x_{j\gamma} x_{j\gamma'}, \quad (1.8)$$

where $g_{\alpha\beta\gamma} := \int Y_\beta \epsilon^{ab} \partial_a Y_\alpha \partial_b Y_\gamma d^2\varphi$ are the structure constants of the Lie algebra of VPD on Σ generating reparametrisations of Σ ,

$$\{x_{i\alpha}, p_{j\beta}\}_{PS} = \delta_{ij} \delta_{\alpha\beta}, \quad (1.9)$$

constraints

$$\phi_\alpha := g_{\alpha\beta\gamma} x_{i\beta} p_{i\gamma} = 0, \quad (1.10)$$

Matrix regularization

Let $N_n \nearrow \infty$, $\hbar_n \searrow 0$ $n = 1, 2, \dots$

Let $T_n : C^\infty(\Sigma) \rightarrow \mathcal{M}(N_n \times N_n)$ such that $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} N_n \hbar_n$ finite and

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \|T_n(f)\| < \infty, \quad (1.11)$$

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \|T_n(f)T_n(g) - T_n(fg)\| = 0, \quad (1.12)$$

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left\| \frac{1}{i\hbar_n} [T_n(f), T_n(g)] - T_n(\{f, g\}_\Sigma) \right\| = 0, \quad (1.13)$$

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} 2\pi\hbar_n \text{Tr}(T_n(f)) = \int f \rho d^2\varphi, \quad (1.14)$$

where $[., .]$ denotes the matrix commutator and $\|.\|$ is the operator norm.

The family of maps T_n is called a matrix regularisation of Σ .

Theorem. T_n exist for Riemannian manifolds. (Hoppe; Klimek and Lesniewski)

Matrix regularization

Let us consider the family of n-dimensional matrix regularizations of the bosonic membrane

$$H_N = \text{Tr}(\vec{P}^2) - (2\pi n)^2 n \sum_{i < j}^d \text{Tr}([X_i, X_j]^2) \quad (1.15)$$

with the constraints

$$\sum_i [X_i, P_i] = 0, \quad (1.16)$$

where $P_i, X_i, i = 1, \dots, d$ are hermitian traceless matrices of dimension n , approximating/regularizing the full field theoretic Hamiltonian

$$\mathbb{M}^2 = P^\mu P_\mu = \int_\Sigma \left(\frac{\vec{P}^2}{\rho} + \rho \sum_{i < j} \{x_i, x_j\}_\Sigma \right) d^2\varphi \quad (1.17)$$

where $g_{\alpha\beta\gamma} := \int Y_\beta \epsilon^{ab} \partial_a Y_\alpha \partial_b Y_\gamma d^2\varphi$

Classical description - matrix regularization

Using a basis T_a , $a = 1, \dots, n^2 - 1 := N$ (with $\text{Tr}(T_a T_b) = \delta_{ab}$ and $[T_a, T_b] = i\hbar_n \frac{1}{\sqrt{n}} f_{abc}^{(n)} T_c$, $\hbar_n = \frac{1}{2\pi n}$, $f_{abc}^{(n)} = \frac{2\pi n^{\frac{3}{2}}}{i} \text{Tr}(T_a [T_b, T_c])$) we can rewrite H_N (and the constraints) in terms of $d(n^2 - 1)$ canonical pairs p_{ia}, q_{ia} ($X_i = q_{ia} T_a$, $P_i = p_{ia} T_a$)

$$H_N(p, q) = p_{ia} p_{ia} + \frac{1}{2} f_{abc}^{(n)} f_{ab'c'}^{(n)} q_{ib} q_{ib'} q_{jc} q_{jc'}, \quad (1.18)$$

$$f_{abc}^{(n)} X_{ib} p_{jc} = 0. \quad (1.19)$$

while the continuum expression is

$$H_\infty = p_{i\alpha} p_{i\alpha} + \frac{1}{2} g_{\alpha\beta\gamma} g_{\alpha\beta'\gamma'} X_{i\beta} X_{i\beta'} X_{j\gamma} X_{j\gamma'} \quad (1.20)$$

$$g_{\alpha\beta\gamma} X_{i\beta} p_{j\gamma} = 0. \quad (1.21)$$

Quantum description - matrix regularization

Canonical quantisation - CQ

$$x_{i\alpha} \rightarrow CQ(x_{i\alpha}) = x_{i\alpha}, \quad (1.22)$$

$$p_{i\alpha} \rightarrow CQ(p_{i\alpha}) = -i \frac{\partial}{\partial x_{i\alpha}}, \quad (1.23)$$

Membrane Matrix Models:

$$H_N := CQ(\mathbb{M}_{n,d}^2) = -\Delta_{d(n^2-1)} + \frac{1}{2} f_{abc}^{(n)} f_{ab'c'}^{(n)} x_{ib} x_{jc} x_{ib'} x_{jc'}, \quad (1.24)$$

acting on wave-functions $\psi \in L^2(\mathbb{R}^{d(n^2-1)})$ constrained by

$$\phi_a \psi = f_{abc}^{(n)} x_{ib} \partial_{ic} \psi = 0. \quad (1.25)$$

essentially self-adjoint, positive, purely discrete spectrum (Simon, Lüscher)

Matrix regularization - summary

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \mathbb{M}_{n,d}^2 & \xrightarrow{CQ} & H_{n,d} \\ n \rightarrow \infty \swarrow T_n & & \downarrow n \rightarrow \infty \\ \mathbb{M}_d^2 & \xrightarrow{\text{?}} & H_{\infty,d} \end{array}$$

Relations between the 'classical continuum mass-squared' of the bosonic membrane \mathbb{M}_d^2 , its classical finite n regularisation $\mathbb{M}_{n,d}^2$, the quantum finite n Hamiltonian $H_{n,d}$ and the (still rather elusive) quantum continuum Hamiltonian $H_{\infty,d}$.

Towards a quantum description - rescaling

Rescaling of the classical phase-space variables ($N := n^2 - 1$)

$$q_{ia} \rightarrow N^{-\alpha} q_{ia}, p_{ia} \rightarrow N^\alpha p_{ia}$$

leads to the following classical energy ($N^{-2\alpha} H_{nd} \leftrightarrow H_{nd}$)

$$H_N(p, q) = p_{ia}p_{ia} + N^{-6\alpha} \frac{1}{2} f_{abc}^{(n)} f_{ab'c'}^{(n)} q_{ib}q_{ib'}q_{jc}q_{jc'}. \quad (1.26)$$

More general model

$$H_n(p, q) = \sum_{I \in \mathcal{J}_N} p_I p_I + \sum_{I \in \mathcal{J}_N} \omega_{0I}^2 q_I q_I + n^{-6\alpha} \sum_{I, J, K, L \in \mathcal{J}_N} c_{IJKL}^{(N)} q_I q_J q_K q_L \quad (1.27)$$

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- standard bosonic Fock space \mathcal{H}_ω , i.e. the Hilbert space generated by

$$\psi_{\{I_1, \dots, I_k\}} := a_{I_1}^\dagger(\omega_{I_1}) \dots a_{I_k}^\dagger(\omega_{I_k}) \Psi_0(\omega), \quad k \text{ finite}, \quad (2.3)$$

(linear combinations of the Hermite wave-functions)

$$\begin{aligned}
p_I(\omega_I) &= -\frac{i\sqrt{\omega_I}}{\sqrt{2}}(a_I - a_I^\dagger) \\
x_I(\omega_I) &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\omega_I}}(a_I + a_I^\dagger).
\end{aligned} \tag{2.4}$$

H_N rewritten in terms of a_I and a_I^\dagger becomes

$$\begin{aligned}
H_N \equiv T_N + V_N^{(2)} + V_N^{(4)} &= \frac{1}{2} \sum_I \omega_I (2a_I^\dagger a_I - a_I^\dagger a_I^\dagger - a_I a_I + \mathbb{I}) + \frac{1}{2} \sum_I \frac{\omega_{0I}^2}{\omega_I} (2a_I^\dagger a_I + a_I^\dagger a_I^\dagger + a_I a_I + \mathbb{I}) \\
&+ \frac{N^{-6\alpha}}{4} \sum_{IJKL} \frac{c_{IJKL}}{\sqrt{\omega_I \omega_J \omega_K \omega_L}} (a_I a_J a_K a_L + a_I^\dagger a_J a_K a_L + a_I a_J^\dagger a_K a_L + a_I a_J a_K^\dagger a_L + a_I a_J a_K a_L^\dagger \\
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\end{aligned}$$

We rewrite the quartic potential

$$V_N^{(4)} = N^{-6\alpha} \frac{1}{4} \sum_{IJK} \frac{1}{\omega_K \sqrt{\omega_I \omega_J}} \left(\frac{1}{2} a_I^\dagger a_J c_{(IJKK)} + \frac{1}{4} (a_I a_J + a_I^\dagger a_J^\dagger) c_{(IJKK)} \right) \quad (2.6)$$

$$+ \frac{N^{-6\alpha}}{4} \sum_{I,J} \frac{1}{\omega_I \omega_J} (c_{IIJJ} + c_{IJJJ} + c_{IJJI}) \mathbb{I} + N^{-6\alpha} : V_N : \quad (2.7)$$

$$\equiv N^{-6\alpha} A_{IJ}^{(N)} a_I^\dagger a_J + N^{-6\alpha} \frac{1}{2} A_{IJ}^{(N)} (a_I a_J + a_I^\dagger a_J^\dagger) + \quad (2.8)$$

$$+ N^{-6\alpha} f(N) \mathbb{I} + N^{-6\alpha} : V_N : \quad (2.9)$$

where we have defined $A_{IJ}^{(N)} := \sum_K \frac{c_{(IJKK)}^{(N)}}{8\omega_K \sqrt{\omega_I \omega_J}}$ and

$f(N) := \sum_{I,J} \frac{c_{IIJJ}^{(N)} + c_{IJJJ}^{(N)} + c_{IJJI}^{(N)}}{4\omega_I \omega_J}$, $\{(I_1, \dots, I_k)\} := \sum_{\pi \in S_k} \{I_{\pi(1)}, \dots, I_{\pi(k)}\}$:: normal ordering with respect to $\Psi_0(\omega)$.

$$H_N = \sum_{I,J} \{ ((\omega_I + \frac{\omega_{0I}^2}{\omega_I}) \delta_{IJ} + N^{-6\alpha} A_{IJ}) a_I^\dagger a_J + \frac{1}{2} (N^{-6\alpha} A_{IJ} - (\omega_I + \frac{\omega_{0I}^2}{\omega_I}) \delta_{IJ}) (a_I a_J + a_I^\dagger a_J^\dagger) \} \quad (2.10)$$

$$+ (\frac{1}{2} \sum_I (\omega_I + \frac{\omega_{0I}^2}{\omega_I}) + N^{-6\alpha} f(N) + \beta_N) \mathbb{I} + N^{-6\alpha} : V_N : - \beta_N \mathbb{I} \quad (2.11)$$

$$\equiv \sum_{I,J} \left(A_{IJ}^{(N+)} a_I^\dagger a_J + \frac{1}{2} A_{IJ}^{(N-)} (a_I a_J + a_I^\dagger a_J^\dagger) \right) + N^{-6\alpha} : V_N : - \beta_N \mathbb{I} \quad (2.12)$$

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$\|\cdots \psi\| \rightarrow \infty, \quad \psi \in \mathcal{H}_\omega$ (generically)

Bad operators!

Can we get rid of the problematic terms? We need

$$\lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} A_{IJ}^{(N-)} = \lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} N^{-6\alpha} A_{IJ}^{(N)} - (\omega_I - \frac{\omega_{0I}^2}{\omega_I}) \delta_{IJ} \simeq \frac{const}{N}, \quad \forall I, J, \quad (2.14)$$

The smallest α for which it is possible we call α_{crit} . The condition $\lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} A_{IJ}^{(N-)} = 0$ implies

$$N^{-6\alpha} \sum_K \frac{c_{(IJKK)}^{(N)}}{8\omega_K \sqrt{\omega_I \omega_J}} - (\omega_I - \frac{\omega_{0I}^2}{\omega_I}) \delta_{IJ} \simeq 0 \quad (2.15)$$

(condition for the ω_I 's), which turns out to be equivalent to $0 = \frac{\partial \beta_N}{\partial \omega_I}$.

Let $\tilde{\omega}$ be the real solution of $\lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} A_{IJ}^{(N-)} = 0$

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$$H_N = \left(2 \sum_{I=1}^N \tilde{\omega}_I a_I^\dagger a_I + \frac{1}{N^{-6\alpha}} : V_N : + N e_0^{(0)} \mathbb{I} \right) \otimes \mathbb{I}_{\mathcal{H}_{\tilde{\omega}, N}^\perp} + R_N, \quad (2.16)$$

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with $c_{abcd} = 2g \text{Tr}(t_a t_b t_c t_d)$.

- canonical quantisation

$$2H_N = -\Delta_{n^2} + q_a q_a + \frac{1}{n} c_{abcd} q_a q_b q_c q_d \quad (3.4)$$

1-matrix model: Optimized Fock space decomposition

Assume $\omega_a = \omega \ \forall a$:

$$2H_N = 2 \sum_a \tilde{\omega} a_a^\dagger a_a + \frac{2g}{n} : Tr M^4 : + n^2 e_0^{(0)} \mathbb{I} + R_N \quad (3.5)$$

for $\tilde{\omega}$ solving

$$\omega^3 = \omega + 4g \quad (3.6)$$

R_N is of order $O(\frac{1}{n^2})$ and thus $\|R_N\psi\|_{\tilde{\omega}} \rightarrow 0 \ \forall \psi \in \mathcal{H}_{\tilde{\omega}}$.

$$\frac{e_0^{(0)}(g)}{2} = - \lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\beta_N}{N} = \frac{\tilde{\omega}}{4} + \frac{1}{4\tilde{\omega}} + \frac{g}{2\tilde{\omega}^2} \simeq 0.59527g^{\frac{1}{3}} + o(g^{-\frac{1}{3}}) \quad (3.7)$$

Exact answer due to Brezin et al: $e_0(g) \simeq 0.58993g^{\frac{1}{3}}$.

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- optimal Fock space frequency and Gaussian upper bound

$$\tilde{\omega} = \sqrt[3]{4\pi^2(d-1)} \quad (4.3)$$

$$\beta_N = -\frac{1}{2}d(n^2-1)\tilde{\omega} - \frac{\pi^2 d(d-1)(n^2-1)}{\tilde{\omega}^2} \quad (4.4)$$

$$e_0^{(0)} = -\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\beta_N}{n^2} = \frac{\tilde{\omega}d}{2} + \frac{\pi^2 d(d-1)}{\tilde{\omega}^2} = \frac{3d(d-1)^{\frac{1}{3}}\pi^{\frac{2}{3}}}{2^{\frac{4}{3}}} \quad (4.5)$$

SU(N)/U(N) invariant wave functions: Partition Basis

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$$\psi_\lambda := \mathcal{N}_\lambda (a^\dagger)^\lambda \Psi_0(\omega) \equiv \mathcal{N}_\lambda \text{Tr}(a^{\dagger\lambda_1}) \text{Tr}(a^{\dagger\lambda_2}) \dots \text{Tr}(a^{\dagger\lambda_m}) \Psi_0(\omega), \quad (5.1)$$

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- multi-matrix model: similar, but extra indices $\Lambda = \{\lambda_\Lambda, I_\Lambda\}$, where λ_Λ - partition; I_Λ - $SO(d)$ structure

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \langle \psi_\Lambda, \psi_{\Lambda'} \rangle = \delta_{\lambda_\Lambda \lambda_{\Lambda'}} M_{I_\Lambda I_{\Lambda'}}$$

Divergent matrix elements

$$H_N = 2\tilde{\omega} \sum_a a_a^\dagger a_a - \beta_N \mathbb{I} + \frac{1}{n} :V_N: + \text{const.} \text{Tr}(a^2 + a^{\dagger 2}) \quad (5.3)$$

- diagonal elements $\langle \psi_\lambda, -\beta_N \mathbb{I} \psi_\lambda \rangle \propto n^2$
- $\langle \psi_\lambda, (\text{Tr}(a^2 + a^{\dagger 2})) \psi_\delta \rangle \propto n$, where $\lambda_2 = \delta_2 \pm 1$
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Composite creation/annihilation operators

$$A := \text{Tr}(T_a T_b T_c T_d) a_a a_b a_c a_d \quad (5.4)$$

$$[A, A^\dagger] = 4n^4 \mathbb{I} + O(n^2) \quad (5.5)$$

Lemma 2. Negative energy shift

$$2\tilde{\omega} \sum_a a_a^\dagger a_a + \frac{1}{4\tilde{\omega} n} (A + A^\dagger + 4 \text{Tr}(a^{\dagger 2} a^2)) \quad (5.6)$$

$$= \frac{\Omega}{n^4} B^\dagger B + \sum_{\lambda, \lambda_4=0} G(\lambda) P_\lambda + \tilde{e}_0 n^2 \mathbb{I} + O\left(\frac{1}{n}\right) \quad (5.7)$$

for some $\Omega > 0$, $\tilde{e}_0 < 0$ and $B := A + \alpha n^3 \mathbb{I}$

$\tilde{e}_0 < 0 \implies$ the divergent terms decrease the ground state energy

Hamiltonian

$$H_N = 2\tilde{\omega}a_a^\dagger a_a + \frac{g}{4n\tilde{\omega}^2}(A + A^\dagger + 4\text{Tr}(a^\dagger a^\dagger aa)) \quad (5.8)$$

$$+ \frac{g}{n\tilde{\omega}^2}(\text{Tr}(a^\dagger a^\dagger a^\dagger a) + \text{Tr}(a^\dagger aaa)) \quad (5.9)$$

$$+ \frac{g}{2n\tilde{\omega}^2} : \text{Tr}(a^\dagger aa^\dagger a) : + e_0^{(0)} n^2 \mathbb{I} \quad (5.10)$$

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$$H_N = 2\tilde{\omega}(1-\epsilon)a_a^\dagger a_a + \frac{g}{4n\tilde{\omega}^2}(A + A^\dagger + 4\text{Tr}(a^\dagger a^\dagger aa)) \quad (5.11)$$

$$+ \underbrace{2\epsilon\tilde{\omega}a_a^\dagger a_a + \frac{g}{n\tilde{\omega}^2}(\text{Tr}(a^\dagger a^\dagger a^\dagger a) + \text{Tr}(a^\dagger aaa))}_{>0 \text{ for } \epsilon > \epsilon_0} \quad (5.12)$$

$$+ \underbrace{\frac{g}{2n\tilde{\omega}^2} : \text{Tr}(a^\dagger aa^\dagger a) :}_{\propto O(\frac{1}{n})} + e_0^{(0)} n^2 \mathbb{I} \quad (5.13)$$

for some $0 < \epsilon < 1$.

U(N) invariant anharmonic oscillator - lower bound

Theorem 1. 'Absorption of the composites for the 1-matrix model'

$$H_N \geq \frac{\Omega}{n^4} B^\dagger B + (e_0^{(0)} + \tilde{e}_0) n^2 \mathbb{I} + \sum_{\lambda, \lambda_4=0} P_\lambda G(\lambda) + O\left(\frac{1}{n}\right) \quad (5.14)$$

for some $\Omega \geq 0$, $\tilde{e}_0 < 0$

Corollary 1. Lower bound for the ground state energy

$$e_0 \geq e_0^{(0)} + \tilde{e}_0^{(-)} \quad (5.15)$$

Membrane Matrix Models

Two composite annihilation operators

$$A := \text{Tr}(abcd)a_{ai}a_{bi}a_{cj}a_{dj} \equiv (ijij), \quad B := \frac{1}{d+1}(ijij) - \frac{1}{2}(ijij) \quad (5.16)$$

$$[A, A^\dagger] = c_1 n^4 + O(n^2) \quad (5.17)$$

$$[B, B^\dagger] = c_2 n^4 + O(n^2) \quad (5.18)$$

$$[A, B^\dagger] = [B, A^\dagger] = O(n^2) \quad (5.19)$$

Theorem 2. 'Absorption of the composites for the multi-matrix model'

$$H_N \geq \Omega_1 \tilde{A}^\dagger \tilde{A} + \Omega_2 \tilde{B}^\dagger \tilde{B} + \sum_{\lambda, \lambda_4=0} P_\lambda G(\lambda) + (e_0^{(0)} + \tilde{e}_0) n^2 \mathbb{I} \quad (5.20)$$

for some $\Omega_1, \Omega_2 \geq 0$, $\tilde{e}_0 < 0$.

Corollary 2. Lower bound for the ground state energy

$$e_0 \geq e_0^{(0)} + \tilde{e}_0 \quad (5.21)$$

Formal perturbative expansion

- Lemma 1 provides a solvable part $\hat{H}_{0,N} = 2\tilde{\omega}a_a^\dagger a_a + e_0^{(0)}n^2\mathbb{I}$ even if the original quadratic potential is absent

$$H_N = \hat{H}_{0,N} + \frac{1}{N^{6\alpha}} : V_N : \quad (6.1)$$

- Rayleigh-Schrödinger series

$$E_{k,N} = E_{k,N}^{(0)} + \epsilon_N E_{k,N}^{(1)} + \epsilon_N^2 E_{k,N}^{(2)} + \epsilon_N^3 E_{k,N}^{(3)} + O(\epsilon^4), \quad (6.2)$$

$$E_{k,N}^{(1)} = \langle \psi_k^{(0)}, : V_N : \psi_k^{(0)} \rangle, \quad (6.3)$$

$$E_{k,N}^{(2)} = \langle \psi_k^{(0)}, : V_N : \frac{Q_0}{E_{k,N}^{(0)} - \hat{H}_{0,N}} : V_N : \psi_k^{(0)} \rangle, \quad (6.4)$$

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$$- E_{k,N}^{(1)} \langle \psi_k^{(0)}, : V_N : \frac{Q_0}{(E_{k,N}^{(0)} - \hat{H}_{0,N})^2} : V_N : \psi_k^{(0)} \rangle, \quad (6.6)$$

Formal perturbative expansion

- all terms of the R-S series diverge at large N
- "Linked-cluster theorem" - only connected diagrams involved (to be proved)
- ground state energy corrections

$$E_0^{(k)} \propto n^2$$

- renormalized energies of excited states

$$E_I^{(k),R} := \lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} (E_I^{(k)} - E_0^{(k)}) < \infty$$

- convergence? asymptotic series? Padé, Borel summability?

Some numerical values

Table: Exact ground state energies $E_0 = e_0 n^2$ vs the upper variational bound (the optimized Fock space approximation) $e_0^{(0)}$ and the lower bound $e_0^{(lower)}$ for the 1-matrix model

g	$e_0^{(0)}$	$e_0^{(lower)}$	e_0
0.01	0.505	0.505	0.505
0.1	0.543	0.542	0.542
0.5	0.653	0.651	0.651
1.0	0.743	0.740	0.740
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Table: Exact ground state energies $E_0 = e_0 n^2$ vs the R-S series in the optimized Fock space for the 1-matrix model

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Table: Exact spectral gap $\omega(g)$ vs the R-S series in the optimized Fock space (renormalized energies of the first excited state) for the 1-matrix model

g	$\omega(g)$	$\omega^{(0)}$	$\omega^{(1)}$	$\omega^{(2)}$	$\omega^{(3)}$
2	2.45	2.17	2.59	2.43	2.39
50	6.81	5.91	7.34	6.64	6.47
200	10.76	9.32	11.62	10.48	10.20
1000	18.37	15.90	19.85	17.88	17.39

Some numerical values 4

Table: R-S series in the optimized Fock space and the lower bound for the ground state energy of the multi-matrix model

d	2	3	4	5
$e_0^{(0)}$	5.107	9.653	14.732	20.269
$e_0^{(2)}$	4.682	9.351	14.460	20.005
$e_0^{(3)}$	4.735	9.364	14.466	20.009
$e_0^{(lower)}$	4.834	9.349	14.410	19.931

Some numerical values 5

Table: R-S series for the renormalized energy (the vacuum energy subtracted) of the first $SO(d) \times SU(n)$ invariant excited state for the multi-matrix model at large n

d	3	9	15	25	35
$E_{\Lambda,R}^{(0)}$	17.16	27.24	32.82	39.29	44.12
$E_{\Lambda,R}^{(1)}$	21.45	34.05	41.03	49.11	55.15
$E_{\Lambda,R}^{(2)}$	16.09	31.92	39.57	48.09	54.34

$$H_N = 2\tilde{\omega} \left[(i^\dagger i) + \frac{\pi^2}{\tilde{\omega}^3} (\text{interaction terms}) \right] \quad (6.7)$$

Therefore the effective coupling constant is $\frac{\pi^2}{\tilde{\omega}^3} = \frac{1}{4(d-1)}$.

Supersymmetric matrix models

$$\tilde{H}_N = H_N \mathbb{I} + H_F = H_N \mathbb{I} + \frac{i}{2} x_{ja} f_{abc}^{(n)} \gamma_{\alpha\beta}^j \theta_{\alpha b} \theta_{\beta b}, \quad (7.1)$$

$$\tilde{\phi}_a := f_{abc}^{(n)} (x_{ib} p_{ic} - \frac{i}{4} \theta_{\alpha b} \theta_{\alpha c}) = 0. \quad (7.2)$$

- $\mathcal{H} = L^2(\mathbb{R}^{d(n^2-1)}) \otimes \mathcal{F}$, $\dim(\mathcal{F}) = 2^{\frac{\mathcal{N}_d}{2}(n^2-1)}$
- anti-commuting Clifford variables $\theta_{a\alpha}$,

$$[\theta_{\alpha a}, \theta_{\beta b}]_+ = \delta_{\alpha\beta} \delta_{ab}, \quad (7.3)$$

- supersymmetry $\implies d = 2, 3, 5, 9$
- $\tilde{H}_N = Q_\alpha^2$, $\alpha = 1, \dots, \mathcal{N}_d = 2(d-1)$
- continuous spectrum $\text{spec}(\tilde{H}_N) = [0, \infty)$
- BFSS conjecture, embedded eigenvalues?

Supersymmetric matrix models, d=3,5

- fermionic creation and annihilation operators $\lambda_{\hat{\alpha}a}, \lambda_{\hat{\alpha}a}^\dagger, \hat{\alpha} = 1, \dots, \frac{N_d}{2}$

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- for $d = 3, 5 \exists$ a canonical choice of $\lambda_{\hat{\alpha}a}, \lambda_{\hat{\alpha}a}^\dagger$, s.t.

$$H_F = 2ix_{ja} f_{abc}^{(n)} \gamma_{\hat{\alpha}\hat{\beta}}^j \lambda_{\hat{\alpha}b} \lambda_{\hat{\beta}b}^\dagger, \quad (7.6)$$

$$\tilde{\phi}_a := f_{abc}^{(n)} (x_{ib} p_{ic} - i \lambda_{\alpha b} \lambda_{\alpha c}^\dagger) = 0. \quad (7.7)$$

and thus

$$[\tilde{H}_N, F] = 0, \quad [\tilde{H}_N, \tilde{\phi}_a] = 0, \quad (7.8)$$

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$$\tilde{H}_{n,d} \Big|_{\mathcal{F}^{(0)}} = H_{n,d} \Big|_{\mathcal{F}^{(0)}}, \quad \forall n, d = 3, 5, \quad (7.10)$$

so the purely discrete spectrum of $H_{N,d=3,5}$ is a subset of the full spectrum of $\tilde{H}_{N,d=3,5}$

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