

QCD and a Holographic Model of Hadrons

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Motivation and plan

- Large N_c :
 - planar diagrams dominate
 - resonances are infinitely narrow
- Effective theory in terms of resonances is weakly coupled?
- What is this effective theory?
- String theory explicit examples suggest it is a 5d effective theory.
- Bottom-up approach.

A holographic model: [J. Erlich, E. Katz, D. Son and M.S., hep-ph/0501128.](#)
(L. Da Rold, A. Pomarol, hep-ph/0501218)

- ABC of AdS/CFT (holography)

- A simple model:

This talk:

- chiral symmetry breaking
- quark-hadron duality, sum rules
- OPE
- etc.

AdS/CFT correspondence: formulation

Begin with $S_4[G, q] = \int d^4x \mathcal{L}[G, q]$.

Generating functional for correlators of an operator \mathcal{O} (examples of \mathcal{O} : $G_{\mu\nu}^a G^{\mu\nu a}$, $\bar{q}q$, $\bar{q}\gamma^\mu t^a q$, ...):

$$Z_4[\phi_0(x)] = \int \mathcal{D}[G, q] \exp \left\{ iS_4 + i \int_{x^4} \phi_0 \mathcal{O} \right\}.$$

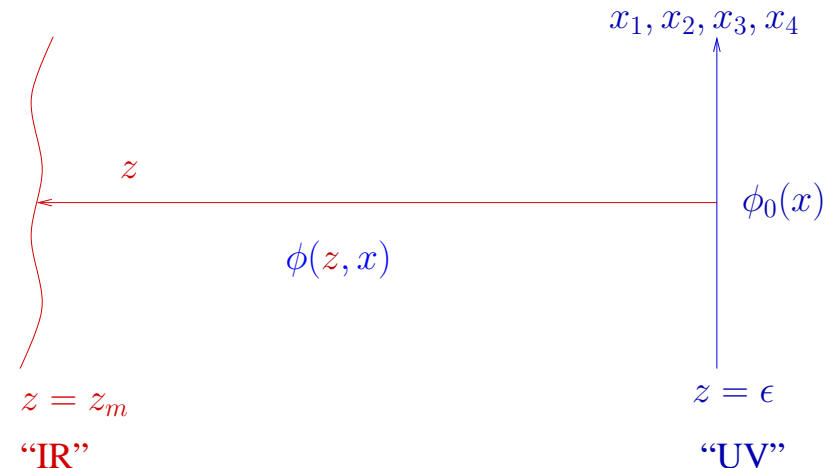
5d bulk metric:

$$ds^2 = z^{-2} (-dz^2 + \eta_{\mu\nu} dx^\mu dx^\nu).$$

$$\eta_{\mu\nu} = \text{diag}(+1, -1, -1, -1).$$

(Note: $x^m \rightarrow \lambda x^m$).

Polchinski-Strassler slice



$$Z_5[\phi_0(x)] = \int_{\phi(x, \epsilon) = \phi_0(x)} \mathcal{D}[\phi] e^{iS_5[\phi]}$$

$$Z_4 = Z_5$$

(Generating functional) [4d sources $\phi_0(x)$] = (Effective action) [fields $\phi_0(x)$].

Example: conserved current

Let \mathcal{O} be a current: $J^{\mu a} = \bar{q}\gamma^\mu t^a q$.

ϕ_0 : source for $J^{\mu a}$ is a vector potential $V_0^{\mu a}$. I.e.,

$$Z_4[V] = \int \mathcal{D}[G, q] \exp \left\{ iS_4 + i \int_{x^4} V_0 \cdot J \right\}.$$

We shall look at

$$\int d^4x e^{iqx} \langle J^{\mu a}(x) J^{\nu b}(y) \rangle = \delta^{ab} (q^\mu q^\nu - q^2 \eta^{\mu\nu}) \Pi(-q^2).$$

In QCD, scale invariance in the UV means $\Pi(Q^2) \sim \ln(Q^2)$.

5d action for V_m^a ? Let us take

$$S_5 = -\frac{1}{4g_5^2} \int d^5x \sqrt{g} V_{mn}^a V^{amn}.$$

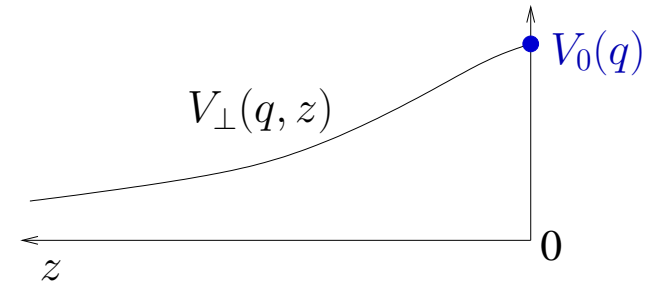
At tree level, we need to minimize S_5 wrt V with the b.c. $V(x, \epsilon) = V_0(x)$.

Then take 2 variational derivatives wrt $V_0(x)$ and $V_0(y)$ to find $\langle J(x) J(y) \rangle$.

Example: current (contd)

$V_5 = 0$ gauge; linearize; Fourier $x^\mu \rightarrow q^\mu$:

$$\partial_z \left(\frac{1}{z} \partial_z V_\perp \right) + \frac{q^2}{z} V_\perp = 0.$$



Action to quadratic order in V , on eqs of motion (int. by parts):

$$S_5 = -\frac{1}{2g_5^2} \int d^4x \frac{1}{z} V_\mu^a \partial_z V^{a\mu} \Big|_{z=\epsilon}.$$

Let $V(q, z)$ be a solution with $V(q, z) = 1$, then we need $(V_\mu^a)_\perp = V_{\mu 0}^a(q) V(q, z)$.

$$\Pi(Q^2) = -\frac{1}{2g_5^2} \frac{1}{Q^2} \frac{\partial_z V(q, z)}{z} \Big|_{z=\epsilon}.$$

$$V(q, z) = (Qz)K_1(Qz) = 1 + \frac{Q^2 z^2}{2} \ln(Qz) + \mathcal{O}(z^2).$$

Thus

$$\Pi(Q^2) = -\frac{1}{2g_5^2} \ln Q^2 + \text{contact terms}$$

5d coupling and N_c

In QCD

$$\Pi(Q) = -\frac{N_c}{24\pi^2} \ln Q^2 + \dots$$

In AdS₅:

$$\Pi(Q^2) = -\frac{1}{2g_5^2} \ln Q^2 + \dots$$

Thus

$$g_5^2 = \frac{12\pi^2}{N_c}$$

Large N_c \Leftrightarrow small coupling

Example: current (summary notes)



$$\frac{\delta S_{5,\text{eff}}}{\delta(V_0)_\parallel} = 0 \quad \text{corresponds to} \quad \partial_\mu J^\mu = 0.$$



$\log Q^2 \Leftarrow$ scale invariance of the 5d theory (metric).



“Dictionary”:

	4d	\leftrightarrow	5d
	W_4	\leftrightarrow	$S_{5,\text{eff}}$
operator $\mathcal{O}(x)$ (ϕ_0 – source)		\leftrightarrow	field $\phi(x, z)$ (ϕ_0 – boundary value)
scale invariance ($\log Q$)		\leftrightarrow	scale invariance
$\partial_\mu J^\mu = 0$		\leftrightarrow	gauge invariance
large N_c		\leftrightarrow	small g_5
large Q		\leftrightarrow	small z
dimension of \mathcal{O}		\leftrightarrow	mass of ϕ

Dimension of operator and 5d mass

$$\mathcal{L}_5 = \frac{1}{2} \sqrt{g} (g^{mn} \partial_m \phi \partial_n \phi - m_5^2 \phi^2)$$

$z \rightarrow 0$ ($qz \ll 1$) solution of LE equations for \mathcal{L}_5 :

$$\phi \sim z^{\Delta_\phi} \quad \text{with} \quad (\Delta_\phi - 4)\Delta_\phi - m_5^2 = 0.$$

$$m_5^2 = 0 \quad : \quad \phi \rightarrow \text{const} = \phi_0 \quad \text{OK};$$

$$m_5^2 \neq 0 \quad : \quad \phi z^{-\Delta_\phi} \rightarrow \text{const} = \phi_0.$$

$$[\phi] = 0 \quad \Rightarrow \quad [\phi_0] = +\Delta_\phi \quad ([x] = -1)$$

Thus $[\mathcal{O}] = 4 - \Delta_\phi \equiv \Delta_{\mathcal{O}}$ and

$$m_5^2 = (\Delta_\phi - 4)\Delta_\phi = \Delta_{\mathcal{O}}(\Delta_{\mathcal{O}} - 4)$$

For example,

$$T_\mu^\mu \quad : \quad m_5^2 = 0; \quad \bar{\psi}\psi \quad : \quad m_5^2 = -3;$$

$$J^\mu \quad : \quad m_5^2 = (\Delta - 3)(\Delta - 1) = 0.$$

Spontaneous symmetry breaking

$$S_5 = \frac{1}{2} \int d^5x \sqrt{g} g^{mn} \partial_m \phi \partial_n \phi + \dots$$

with b.c. at $z = 0$: $\phi z^{-\Delta_\phi} = \phi_0$. The extremum:

$$\phi_{\text{sol}} = \phi_0 z^{\Delta_\phi} + A z^{\Delta_\mathcal{O}} \quad (\Delta_\phi + \Delta_\mathcal{O} = 4).$$

Vary the source: $\phi_0 \rightarrow \phi_0 + \delta\phi_0$:

$$\delta S_5 = \int d^4x z^{-3} \delta\phi \partial_z \phi \Big|_{z=0} + \dots = (\Delta_\mathcal{O} - \Delta_\phi) \int d^4x \delta\phi_0 A$$

Compare to W_4 :

$$\delta W_4 = \int d^4x \delta\phi_0 \langle \mathcal{O} \rangle$$

Therefore

$$A = \frac{1}{2\Delta_\mathcal{O} - 4} \langle \mathcal{O} \rangle$$

$A \rightarrow 0$ as $\phi_0 \rightarrow 0$: spontaneous symmetry breaking

The model

4D: $\mathcal{O}(x)$	5D: $\phi(x, z)$	p	$\Delta_{\mathcal{O}}$	$(m_5)^2$
$\bar{q}_L \gamma^\mu t^a q_L$	$A_{L\mu}^a$	1	3	0
$\bar{q}_R \gamma^\mu t^a q_R$	$A_{R\mu}^a$	1	3	0
$\bar{q}_R^\alpha q_L^\beta$	$(2/z) X^{\alpha\beta}$	0	3	-3

$$S = \int_0^{z_m} d^5x \sqrt{g} \text{Tr} \left\{ |DX|^2 + 3|X|^2 - \frac{1}{4g_5^2} (F_L^2 + F_R^2) \right\}$$

Symmetries: $X \rightarrow LX R^\dagger$, $F_L \rightarrow LF_L L^\dagger$, $F_R \rightarrow RF_R R^\dagger$.

Boundary conditions at $z = z_m$: $F_{z\mu} = 0$, $D_z X = 0$.

Chiral symmetry breaking:

$$X_0(z) = \frac{1}{2} M z + \frac{1}{2} \Sigma z^3.$$

Matching to QCD: $\Sigma^{\alpha\beta} = \langle \bar{q}^\alpha q^\beta \rangle$. We take $M = m_q \mathbf{1}$ and $\Sigma = \sigma \mathbf{1}$.

Four free parameters: m_q , σ , z_m and g_5 .

Compared to three in QCD: m_q , Λ_{QCD} and N_c .

Hadrons and QCD sum rule

$$\partial_z \left(\frac{1}{z} \partial_z V_\perp \right) + \frac{q^2}{z} V_\perp = 0.$$

Normalizable modes: $\psi_\rho(\epsilon) = 0$, $\partial_z \psi_\rho(z_m) = 0$, $\int (dz/z) \psi_\rho(z)^2 = 1$.

$$\Pi_V(-q^2) = -\frac{1}{2g_5^2} \frac{1}{Q^2} \frac{\partial_z V(q, z)}{z} = -\frac{1}{g_5^2} \sum_\rho \frac{[\psi'_\rho(\epsilon)/\epsilon]^2}{(q^2 - m_\rho^2)m_\rho^2}.$$

$$F_\rho = \frac{1}{g_5} \frac{\psi'_\rho(\epsilon)}{\epsilon}.$$

QCD sum rule:

$$\Pi_V(Q^2) = -\frac{1}{2g_5^2} \ln Q^2 + \dots$$

Chiral symmetry breaking and GOR relation

$$A = (A_L - A_R)/2, \quad X = X_0 \exp(i2\pi^a t^a), \quad A_\mu = A_{\mu\perp} + \partial_\mu \varphi, \quad v(z) = m_q z + \sigma z^3$$

$$\delta A_\perp : \quad \partial_z (z^{-1} \partial_z A_\perp) + z^{-1} q^2 A_\perp - z^{-3} g_5^2 v^2 A_\perp = 0;$$

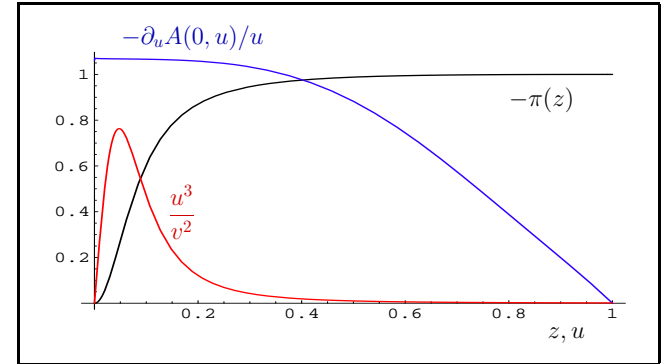
$$\delta A_\parallel : \quad \partial_z (z^{-1} \partial_z \varphi) + z^{-3} g_5^2 v^2 (\pi - \varphi) = 0;$$

$$\delta A_z : \quad -q^2 \partial_z \varphi + z^{-2} g_5^2 v^2 \partial_z \pi = 0.$$

$$\Pi_A(-q^2) \xrightarrow{q \rightarrow 0} \frac{f_\pi^2}{-q^2}. \quad \text{Analogous to } V: A(q, \epsilon) = 1.$$

$$f_\pi^2 = -\frac{1}{g_5^2} \left. \frac{\partial_z A(0, z)}{z} \right|_{z=\epsilon}.$$

$$\text{For } m_q \rightarrow 0: \quad \varphi(z) = A(0, z) - 1, \quad \pi(z) = -1.$$



$$\pi(z) = m_\pi^2 \int_0^z du \frac{u^3}{v(u)^2} \cdot \frac{1}{g_5^2 u} \partial_u A(0, u) = -m_\pi^2 f_\pi^2 \frac{1}{2m_q \sigma} \quad \text{for } z \gg \sqrt{m_q/\sigma}.$$

$$\text{Thus } \boxed{m_\pi^2 f_\pi^2 = 2m_q \sigma + \mathcal{O}(m_q^2)}. \quad (\text{Still holds for } \Delta_\sigma \neq 3, \text{ or deformed AdS.})$$

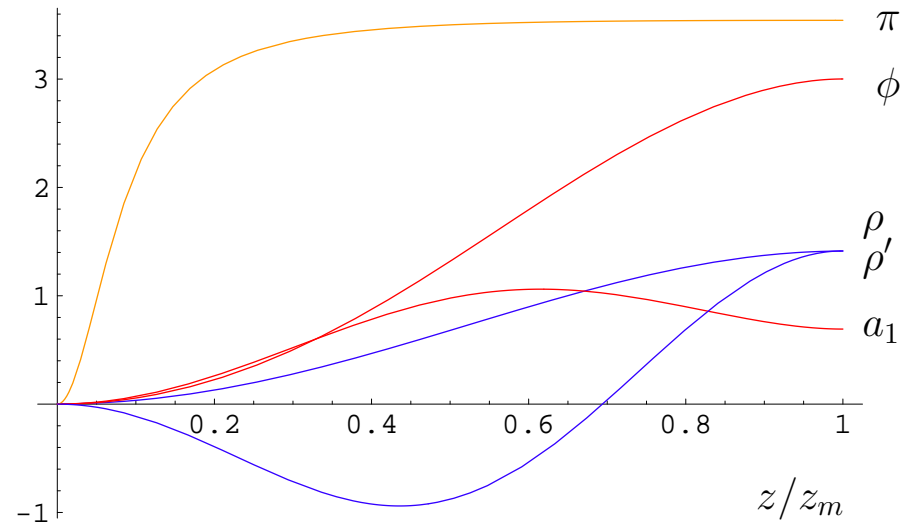
GOR (contd)

Arbitrary Δ_σ ($v(z) = m_q z^{\Delta_m} + \sigma z^{\Delta_\sigma}$):

$$1 = m_\pi^2 f_\pi^2 \int_0^\infty dz \frac{z^3}{(m_q z^{\Delta_m} + \sigma z^{\Delta_\sigma})^2} = m_\pi^2 f_\pi^2 \frac{1}{(\Delta_\sigma - \Delta_m) m_q \sigma} = \frac{m_\pi^2 f_\pi^2}{2m_q \langle \bar{q}q \rangle}$$

$$(\Delta_\sigma - \Delta_m) \sigma = 2 \langle \bar{q}q \rangle$$

Meson wavefunctions and couplings



Couplings:

$$g_{\rho\pi\pi} = g_5 \int dz \frac{v^2(z)}{z^3} (\pi - \varphi)(z) \cdot \pi(z) \cdot \psi_\rho(z),$$

Comparison with experiment

Observable	Measured	Model	Units
m_π	139.6 ± 0.0004	139.6^*	MeV
m_ρ	775.8 ± 0.5	775.8^*	MeV
m_{a_1}	1230 ± 40	1363	MeV
f_π	92.4 ± 0.35	92.4^*	MeV
$F_\rho^{1/2}$	345 ± 8	329	MeV
$F_{a_1}^{1/2}$	433 ± 13	452	MeV
$g_{\rho\pi\pi}$	6.03 ± 0.07	6.63	—
$m_{\rho'}$	1720 ± 20	1783	MeV

• $N_c \Rightarrow g_5 = \sqrt{12\pi^2/N_c} = 2\pi.$

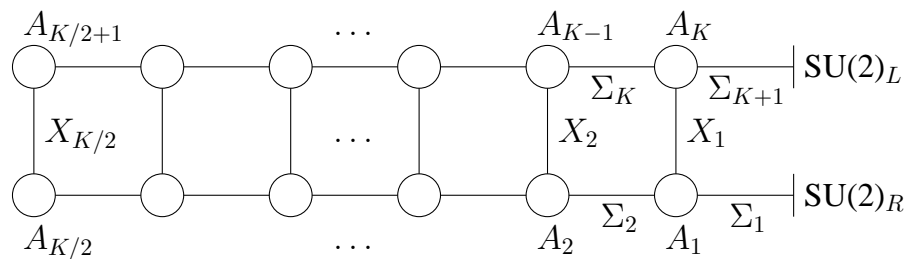
• $m_\rho = 2.405/z_m \Rightarrow z_m = (323 \text{ MeV})^{-1}.$

• f_π and $m_\pi \Rightarrow \sigma = (327 \text{ MeV})^3$ and $m_q = 2.29 \text{ MeV}.$

Holographic model vs open moose



Folded:



OPE and higher order terms

$$\Pi_V(Q^2) = -\frac{1}{2g_5^2} \ln Q^2; \quad \Pi_A(Q^2) = \Pi_V(Q^2) + \# \frac{m_q \sigma}{Q^4} + \mathcal{O}\left(m_q^2, \frac{\sigma^2}{Q^6}\right);$$

(In open moose: $\Pi_A - \Pi_V \sim \exp(-\#Q)$.)

In QCD:

$$\Pi_V(Q^2) = \dots - \frac{m_q \sigma}{Q^4}; \quad \Pi_A(Q^2) = \dots + \frac{m_q \sigma}{Q^4};$$

$$\Delta\mathcal{L}_5 = \sqrt{g} \text{Tr} \left[\gamma_{XF XF} (X^\dagger F_L X F_R) + \gamma_{X^2 F^2} (X X^\dagger F_L^2 + X^\dagger X F_R^2) \right]$$

$$\left. \begin{aligned} \Pi_A - \Pi_V &= \frac{4}{3} m_q \sigma (4\gamma_{XF XF} + 1) \frac{1}{Q^4} \\ &= 2m_q \langle \bar{q}q \rangle \frac{1}{Q^4} \end{aligned} \right\} \Rightarrow \gamma_{XF XF} = \frac{1}{8}$$

Similarly: $\Pi_V = \dots + \# \frac{\langle \alpha_s G^2 \rangle}{Q^4}$.

Need source h_0 for operator $\alpha_s G^2 \Rightarrow$ massless scalar field h in 5d.

Classical solution: $h = h_0 + A_h z^4$. $A_h = (1/4) \langle \alpha_s G^2 \rangle$.

Coupling $\Delta\mathcal{L}_5 = \gamma h (F_L^2 + F_R^2)$ gives $\Pi_V = \dots \# \gamma A_h / Q^4$.

Outlook

- $h(z, x) \longrightarrow$ glueball spectrum (Polchinski-Strassler, Boschi-Filho-Braga)
- strange mesons
- chiral anomaly (WZW)
- Baryons (Teramond-Brodsky)
 - finite density?
- running of α_s (log violations of scaling)