

Irregular conformal block and conformal symmetry

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Virasoro primary and descendants

$$[L_m, L_n] = (m - n)L_{m+n} + \frac{c}{12}m(m^2 - 1)\delta_{m+n,0}$$

Primary state: $L_0|\Delta\rangle = \Delta|\Delta\rangle$, $L_k|\Delta\rangle = 0$ when $k > 0$

$$|\Delta\rangle = \lim_{z \rightarrow 0} V_\alpha(z)|0\rangle$$

Descendent state:

$$\begin{aligned} L_0 \left(L_{-n_1} L_{-n_2} \cdots L_{-n_k} |\Delta\rangle \right) \\ = (n_1 + n_2 + \cdots + n_k) \left(L_{-n_1} L_{-n_2} \cdots L_{-n_k} |\Delta\rangle \right) \end{aligned}$$

Irregular state

1. Simultaneous eigenstate of positive Virasoro generators;

$$[L_m, L_n] = (m - n)L_{m+n} \text{ for } m, n > 0.$$

2. Irregular module with rank n

$$L_k |I^{(n)}\rangle = 0 \quad \text{for } 2n < k$$

$$L_k |I^{(n)}\rangle = \Lambda_k |I^{(n)}\rangle \quad \text{for } n \leq k \leq 2n$$

3. Not the eigenstate of L_0 but a special combination of descendents. (Gaiotto state or Whittaker state)

4. Motivated by $N=2$ super Yang-Mills gauge theory, Argyres-Douglas limit

L1 eigenstate

Gaiotto (2009)

$$L_1|\Delta, \Lambda^2\rangle = \Lambda^2|\Delta, \Lambda^2\rangle, \quad L_2|\Delta, \Lambda^2\rangle = 0$$

$$|\Delta, \Lambda^2\rangle = \sum_{\ell} \Lambda^{2n} u_n;$$
$$u_0 = |\Delta\rangle$$
$$u_1 = \frac{1}{2\Delta} L_{-1} |\Delta\rangle$$
$$u_2 = \frac{(c + 8\Delta)L_{-1}^2 - 12\Delta L_{-2}}{4\Delta(2c\Delta + c + 16\Delta^2 - 10\Delta)} |\Delta\rangle$$

$$c = 1 + 6Q^2, \quad Q = b + 1/b$$

u_0 is not the minimal state.

L1 and L2 eigenstate

$$L_2|\Delta, \Lambda, \xi\rangle = -\Lambda^2|\Delta, \Lambda, \xi\rangle, \quad L_1|\Delta, \Lambda, \xi\rangle = -2\xi\Lambda|\Delta, \Lambda, \xi\rangle$$

$$|\Delta, \Lambda^2\rangle = \sum_{\ell} \Lambda^{\ell} w_n$$

$$w_0 = |\Delta\rangle$$

$$w_1 = -\frac{\xi}{\Delta} L_{-1} |\Delta\rangle$$

$$w_2 = \frac{(c\xi^2 + \Delta(3 + 8\xi^2))L_{-1}^2 - 2\Delta(1 + 2\Delta + 6\xi^2)L_{-2}}{4\Delta(2\Delta + c + 16\Delta^2 - 10\Delta)} |\Delta\rangle$$

More details in Marshak et al (2009)

Irregular module of rank n

(Kanno, Maruyoshi, Shiba, Taki. 2013)

$$|G_{2n}\rangle = \sum_{\ell=0}^{\infty} \sum_{\ell_p} \Lambda^{\ell/n} \prod_{i=1}^{n-1} a_i^{\ell_{2n-i}} b_i^{\ell_i} m^{\ell_n}$$

$$Q_{\Delta}^{-1}(2n^{\ell_{2n}}(2n-1)^{\ell_{2n-1}} \dots 2^{\ell_2} 1^{\ell_1}; Y) L_{-Y} |\Delta\rangle ,$$

Problem: The module is not determined completely by the eigenvalues when rank $n > 1$.

$$b_i = ?$$

$$L_k |I^{(n)}\rangle = \Lambda_k |I^{(n)}\rangle \text{ for } n \leq k \leq 2n$$

$$\Lambda_n = \Lambda m, \quad \Lambda_k = \Lambda^{k/n} a_{2n-k} \text{ when } n < k \leq 2n$$

Questions to be answered

1. Irregular module of rank $n > 1$
2. Extension to W symmetry

How to construct the irregular module for rank $n > 1$

1. Coherent state

Gaiotto & Teschner (2012)

Coherent coordinates of Heisenberg algebra

$$\begin{aligned} a_k |\text{in}\rangle &= c_k |\text{in}\rangle & \text{for } 1 \leq k \leq n \\ a_k |\text{in}\rangle &= 0 & \text{for } k > n \end{aligned}$$

Eigenvalues of rank n: $L_k |\text{in}\rangle = \Lambda_k |\text{in}\rangle$ for $n \leq k \leq 2n$

$$\Lambda_k = (k+1)Q c_k - \sum_{0 \leq \ell \leq k} c_\ell c_{k-\ell}$$

Other positive mode representation is a differential operators

$$\begin{aligned} L_k |\text{in}\rangle &= (\Lambda_k + v_k) |\text{in}\rangle & \text{for } 0 \leq k \leq n-1 \\ v_k &= \sum_{0 \leq \ell \leq m} c_{\ell+k} \frac{\partial}{\partial c_\ell} \end{aligned}$$

2. Energy momentum tensor

Energy momentum tensor and Virasoro generator

$$T(z) = \sum_k \frac{L_k}{z^{k+2}}$$

Irregular module has the energy momentum tensor with poles of degree more than 2

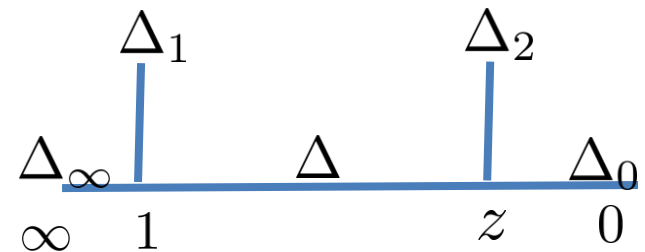
$$T(z)|I^{(n)}\rangle = \sum_{0 \leq k \leq n} \frac{L_k}{z^{k+2}} |I^{(n)}\rangle$$

Seiberg-Witten curve:

$$\langle \text{out} | T(z) | I^{(n)} \rangle = \sum_{0 \leq k \leq n} \frac{\langle \text{out} | L_k | I^{(n)} \rangle}{z^{k+2}}$$

3. Liouville conformal block

$$\langle V_{\Delta_\infty}(\infty) V_{\Delta_1}(1) V_{\Delta_2}(z) V_{\Delta_0}(0) \rangle$$

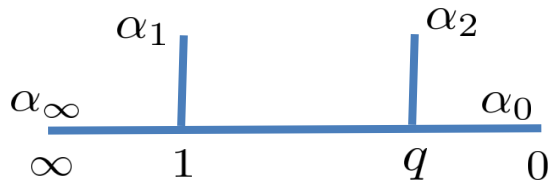


Liouville primary field: $V_\alpha(z) = e^{2\alpha\phi(z)}$

Conformal dimension = $\Delta = \alpha(Q - \alpha)$

Back ground charge= Q

Selberg integral of conformal block



$$q^{-2\alpha_2\alpha_0}(1-q)^{-2\alpha_1\alpha_2} \times \int \left[\prod_{I=1}^N d\lambda_I \right] \prod_{I<J} (\lambda_I - \lambda_J)^{-2b^2} \\ \times \prod_I (\lambda_I)^{-2b\alpha_0} (\lambda_I - q)^{-2\alpha_2} (\lambda_I - 1)^{-2\alpha_1}$$

Screening operator: $\int dz e^{2b\phi(z)}$

Neutrality condition: $\alpha_0 + \alpha_1 + \alpha_2 + \alpha_\infty + bN = Q$

Free field correlation: $\langle e^{2\alpha_1\phi(z)} e^{2\alpha_2\phi(w)} \rangle = (z - w)^{-2\alpha_1\alpha_2},$

beta-deformed Penner-type matrix model

Dijkgraaf & Vafa (2009)



$$q^{-2\alpha_2\alpha_0} (1-q)^{-2\alpha_1\alpha_2} I_4(\alpha_i)$$

$$I_4 = \int \left[\prod_{I=1}^N d\lambda_I \right] \prod_{I < J} (\lambda_I - \lambda_J)^{-2b^2} \exp \left(-\frac{2b}{\hbar} \sum_I V(\lambda_I) \right)$$

$$\frac{V(\lambda_I)}{\hbar} = -\alpha_0 \log(\lambda_I) - \alpha_1 \log(\lambda_I - 1) - \alpha_2 \log(\lambda_I - q).$$

$$\beta = -b^2 \text{ or } b = i\sqrt{\beta}, \quad -2b/\hbar = \sqrt{\beta}/g$$

4. Colliding limit

Eguchi & Maruyoshi (2010)
Gaiotto & Tschner (2012)

- Vertex operators are put at the same point
- The operators have infinite Liouville charge so that appropriate finiteness is maintained; $c_k = \sum_{i=1}^m \alpha_i z^k$
- Note that OPE of regular primary has the form,
$$V_{\alpha_1}(z)V_{\alpha_2}(o) \rightarrow z^{\Delta-\Delta_1-\Delta_2}V_{\alpha}(0) + \text{descendents}$$
- However, colliding limit produces more than primary state: They create coherent state.

5. Irregular matrix model for $\langle \Delta | I^{(m)} \rangle$

$$\Rightarrow Z_{(0,m)} \sim \langle \Delta | I^{(m)} \rangle$$

$$z_1, z_2, \dots, z_m \rightarrow 0$$

$$Z_{(0,m)} \equiv \left[\prod_{I=1}^N \int d\lambda_I \right] \Delta^{2\beta} \exp \left(-\frac{\sqrt{\beta}}{g} \sum_I V(\lambda_I) \right)$$

$$\frac{V(\lambda)}{\hbar} = -\sum_r \alpha_r \log(\lambda - z_r) \Rightarrow -c_0 \log \lambda + \sum_{k>0} \frac{c_k}{k \lambda^k}$$

$$c_k = \sum_{i=1}^m \alpha_i z_i^k$$

6. Loop equation to find $\langle \Delta | I^{(m)} \rangle$

$$\frac{f(z)}{4} = W(z)^2 + V'(z)W(z) + g \left(\sqrt{\beta} - \frac{1}{\sqrt{\beta}} \right) W'(z) + g^2 W(z, z)$$

$$W(z) = g\sqrt{\beta} \left\langle \sum_{I_1} \frac{1}{z - \lambda_{I_1}} \right\rangle_{\text{conn}}$$

$$W(z, z) = \beta \left\langle \sum_{I_1} \frac{1}{z - \lambda_{I_1}} \sum_{I_2} \frac{1}{z - \lambda_{I_2}} \right\rangle_{\text{conn}}$$

$$f(z) \equiv -\frac{\hbar b}{2} \sum_{I=1}^N \left\langle \frac{V'(z) - V'(\lambda_I)}{z - \lambda_I} \right\rangle$$

$$f(z) = \sum_{k=0}^{m-1} \frac{d_k}{z^{2+k}} = \sum_{k=0}^{m-1} \frac{v_k \left(-\hbar^2 \log Z_N^{(m)} \right)}{z^{2+k}} \quad v_k = \sum_{\ell} c_{\ell+k} \frac{\partial}{\partial c_{\ell}}$$

$$\Rightarrow v_k \left(-\hbar^2 \log Z_N^{(m)} \right) = d_k$$

(N & R. 2012, C&R 2013)

7. Loop equation and conformal symmetry

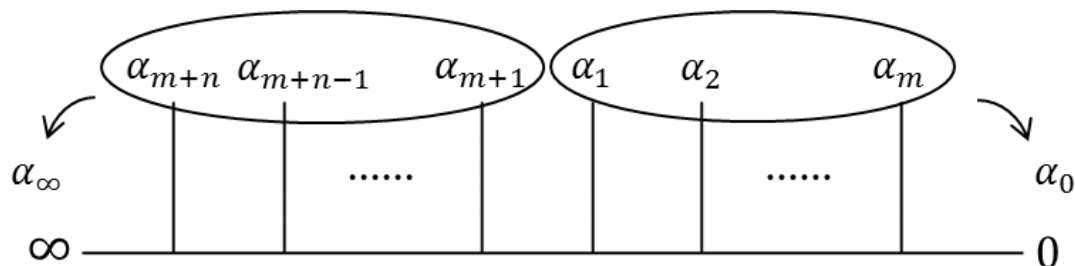
$$\frac{f(z)}{4} = W(z)^2 + V'(z)W(z) + g \left(\sqrt{\beta} - \frac{1}{\sqrt{\beta}} \right) W'(z) + g^2 W(z, z)$$

$$\implies \xi_2 = x(z)^2 + \hbar Q x'(z) - \hbar^2 W(z, z)$$

$$x(z) = 2W(z) + V'(z)$$

$$\xi_2(z) = -\frac{1}{\hbar^2} (V'^2 + f + \hbar Q V'') = \frac{\langle \Delta | T(z) | I^{(n)} \rangle}{\langle \Delta | I^{(n)} \rangle}$$

7. Irregular matrix model $Z_{(n;m)}$



$$\frac{f(z)}{4} = \sum_{k=-(n-1)}^{m-1} \frac{d_k}{z^{2+k}}; \quad \frac{V_{n,m}(z)}{\hbar} = -c_0 \log z + \sum_{k=-n}^m \frac{c_k}{k z^k}$$

$$d_k = v_k \left(-\hbar^2 \log Z_{(n;m)} \right) \text{ for } k \geq 0 : \quad v_k = \sum_{\ell > 0} c_{\ell+k} \frac{\partial}{\partial c_\ell}$$

$$d_{-k} = u_k \left(-\hbar^2 \log Z_{(n;m)} \right) + 2\hbar Q N c_{-k} \text{ for } k > 0 :$$

$$u_k = \sum_{\ell > 0} c_{-\ell-k} \frac{\partial}{\partial c_{-\ell}}$$

8. Irregular conformal block as $\langle I^{(n)} | I^{(m)} \rangle$

$Z_{(n;m)} \sim \langle I^{(n)} | I^{(m)} \rangle$ with proper normalization

$$\langle I^{(n)} | I^{(m)} \rangle = \frac{e^{\zeta_{(m:n)}} Z_{(m:n)}(c_0; \{c_k\}, \{c_{-\ell}\})}{Z_{(0:n)}(c_0; \{c_k\}) Z_{(0:m)}(c_\infty; \{c_{-\ell}\})}$$

$$\zeta_{(m:n)} = \sum_k^{\min(m,n)} 2c_k c_{-k} / k$$

Comparison with algebraic construction

$$|G_{2n}\rangle = \sum_{\ell=0}^{\infty} \sum_{\ell_p} \Lambda^{\ell/n} \prod_{i=1}^{n-1} a_i^{\ell_{2n-i}} b_i^{\ell_i} m^{\ell_n}$$

$$Q_{\Delta}^{-1}(2n^{\ell_{2n}}(2n-1)^{\ell_{2n-1}} \dots 2^{\ell_2} 1^{\ell_1}; Y) L_{-Y} |\Delta\rangle,$$

$$b_k = v_k + \Lambda_k$$

How to extend to W_3 -symmetry

R & C, 1506.02421

$$L_k |I^{(n)}\rangle = \Lambda_k |I^{(n)}\rangle \text{ for } n \leq k \leq 2n$$

$$W_k |I^{(n)}\rangle = \Lambda_k |I^{(n)}\rangle \text{ for } 2n \leq k \leq 3n$$

- Toda field theory
- Conformal block and colliding limit
- Irregular matrix model
- Loop equation contains (A2 case)
 - Quadratic: energy momentum tensor
 - Cubic: W_3 symmetry
- Evaluate the partition function using the symmetry

Summary

1. Virasoro irregular conformal block is studied using irregular matrix model.
2. Virasoro irregular module and their inner product is given in terms of irregular matrix model with appropriate potential
3. Loop equation contains the conformal symmetry.
4. One can extend the irregular matrix model from Toda field theory
5. Loop equation contains Virasoro and W_3 symmetry.
6. Irregular module and their inner product are found using the symmetry alone.

Further outlook

- Classical limit of the irregular conformal block
(Virasoro case: R& Z 1504.07910, 1506.03561)
- Extension to W -symmetry and relation with DDAHA
(M, R & Z, 1405.3141)
- New physical application