

# Exact half-BPS Solutions to Type IIB supergravity

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- Exact half-BPS Type IIB interface solutions I,  
Local solutions and supersymmetric Janus, [arXiv:0705.0022](#)
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- Gravity duals of half-BPS Wilson loops, [arXiv:0705.1004](#)

## Geometry of the solutions

- Construct solutions with 16 supersymmetries to Type IIB supergravity on the following spaces,
  - $AdS_4 \times S^2 \times S^2 \times_w \Sigma$  with  $SO(2,3) \times SO(3) \times SO(3)$  symmetry
  - $AdS_2 \times S^4 \times S^2 \times_w \Sigma$  with  $SO(2,1) \times SO(5) \times SO(3)$  symmetry
 products warped over 2-dim parameter space  $\Sigma$  (to be specified)
- **General local solution:** exactly in terms of two harmonic functions on  $\Sigma$
- **General global solution:** all non-singular Type IIB solutions are obtained for geometries whose boundary is locally asymptotically  $\sim AdS_5 \times S^5$
- These solutions have varying dilaton, and non-zero 3-form fields.

## Motivation

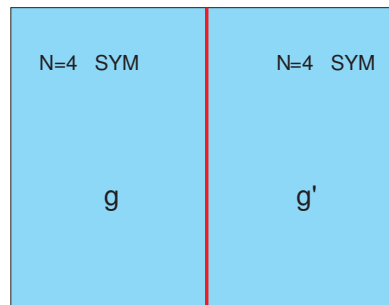
- Construction of AdS dual to half-BPS states in  $\mathcal{N} = 4$  SYM
- Closely related to Lin, Lunin and Maldacena (LLM)
  - Half-BPS states on  $\mathbf{R} \times S^3$ ,  $s$ -wave,  $SU(4)$ -highest weight
  - equivalent to free fermion quantum mechanics (Berenstein)
  - LLM provide AdS duals to these states,
  - obtain all half-BPS solutions with  $\mathbf{R} \times SO(4) \times SO(4)$  symmetry, with constant dilaton, and vanishing 3-form fields
- $AdS_4 \times S^2 \times S^2 \times_w \Sigma$  geometry:  $\mathcal{N} = 4$  SYM with a planar interface
- $AdS_2 \times S^4 \times S^2 \times_w \Sigma$  geometry:  $\mathcal{N} = 4$  SYM with a Wilson line

## Interface AdS/CFT

- $AdS_4$  slicings of  $AdS_5$  have 2+1-dim planar interface CFT duals

$$ds^2 = f(\mu)^2(d\mu^2 + ds_{AdS_4}^2) + ds_{S^5}^2 \quad \phi(\mu)$$

- $AdS_5 \times S^5$  has  $f(\mu) = (\cos \mu)^{-1}$ , with  $\mu \in [-\frac{\pi}{2}, \frac{\pi}{2}]$  and  $\phi$  constant. •  
More generally,  $\phi$  may vary: Janus solution (Bak, Gutperle, Hirano)



- $SO(2, 3)$  isometry group of  $AdS_4$  = conformal group of planar interface

## CFT side : susy in the presence of an interface

- Let  $x^\pi$  be a coordinate transverse to a planar interface at  $x^\pi = 0$
- Bulk Lagrangians on each side are supersymmetric  $\delta\mathcal{L}_\pm = \partial_\mu X_\pm^\mu$

$$\mathcal{L} = \theta(x^\pi)\mathcal{L}_+ + \theta(-x^\pi)\mathcal{L}_-$$

$$\delta\mathcal{L} = \partial_\mu \left( \theta(x^\pi)X_+^\mu + \theta(-x^\pi)X_-^\mu \right) - \delta(x^\pi) (X_+^\pi - X_-^\pi)$$

- Can one compensate for  $X_+^\pi - X_-^\pi$  by interface Lagrangian  $\mathcal{L}_I$  ?
- Assume coupling varies across interface,

$$\mathcal{L} = \frac{1}{g(x^\pi)^2} \mathcal{L}_{\{\mathcal{N}=4\}} + \mathcal{L}_I$$

- Bulk susy transformations must also be modified on interface

## Allowed interface supersymmetries

Susy driven by  $\psi^t Y \psi + \text{cc}$  term in  $\mathcal{L}_I$ , where  $Y$  acts on  $SU(4)$  indices

$$Y \rightarrow \text{diag}[d_1, d_2, d_3, d_4] \quad d_i \text{ real } \geq 0$$

- 0 supersymmetries  $\text{diag}[0 \ 0 \ 0 \ 0]$ , global  $SU(4)$  R-symmetry,
  - CFT dual to Janus solution of Bak, Gutperle, Hirano
- 4 supersymmetries  $\text{diag}[1 \ 0 \ 0 \ 0]$ , global  $SU(3)$  R-symmetry;
  - CFT: Clark, Freedman, Karch, Schnabl; AdS dual D'Hoker, Estes, Gutperle
- 8 supersymmetries  $\text{diag}[1 \ 1 \ 0 \ 0]$ , global  $SO(2) \times SO(3)$  R-symmetry;
- 16 supersymmetries  $\text{diag}[1 \ 1 \ 1 \ 1]$ , global  $SO(3) \times SO(3)$  R-symmetry;
  - AdS dual : This talk !

## AdS side : Type IIB Supergravity

- The fields of Type IIB sugra are

$g_{MN}$	metric	$M, N = 0, 1, \dots, 9$	
$B$	axion/dilaton	$P \sim dB$	(contains $\chi, \phi$ )
$B_{(2)}$	antisymm	$G_{(3)} \sim (dB_{(2)} - BdB_{(2)}^*)$	
$C_{(4)}$	antisymm	$F_{(5)} = dC_{(4)} + \text{Im}(\bar{B}_{(2)}dB_{(2)})/8$	$F_{(5)} = *F_{(5)}$
$\psi_M$	gravitino	Weyl spinor	
$\lambda$	dilatino	Weyl spinor	

- The susy variation equations for the spinors are (J.H. Schwarz, 1983)

$$\delta\lambda = iP \cdot \Gamma \mathcal{B}^{-1} \varepsilon^* - \frac{i}{4} (G_{(3)} \cdot \Gamma) \varepsilon$$

$$\delta\psi_M = D_M \varepsilon + \frac{i}{4} (F_{(5)} \cdot \Gamma) \Gamma_M \varepsilon - \frac{1}{16} \left( \Gamma_M (G_{(3)} \cdot \Gamma) + 2(G_{(3)} \cdot \Gamma) \Gamma_M \right) \mathcal{B}^{-1} \varepsilon^*$$

## AdS dual to Interface with 16 susys

- Isometry group must be  $SO(2,3) \times SO(3) \times SO(3)$ ;
- Space-time is  $AdS_4 \times S_1^2 \times S_2^2$  warped over a 2-dim parameter space  $\Sigma$

$$e^{i_1} = f_1 \hat{e}^{i_1} \qquad ds^2 = f_1^2 ds_{S_1^2}^2 + f_2^2 ds_{S_2^2}^2 + f_4^2 ds_{AdS_4}^2 + ds_{\Sigma}^2$$

$$e^{i_2} = f_2 \hat{e}^{i_2} \qquad G_{(3)} = g_a e^{45a} + i h_a e^{67a}$$

$$e^m = f_4 \hat{e}^m \qquad F_{(5)} = f_a (-e^{0123a} + \varepsilon^a_b e^{4567b})$$

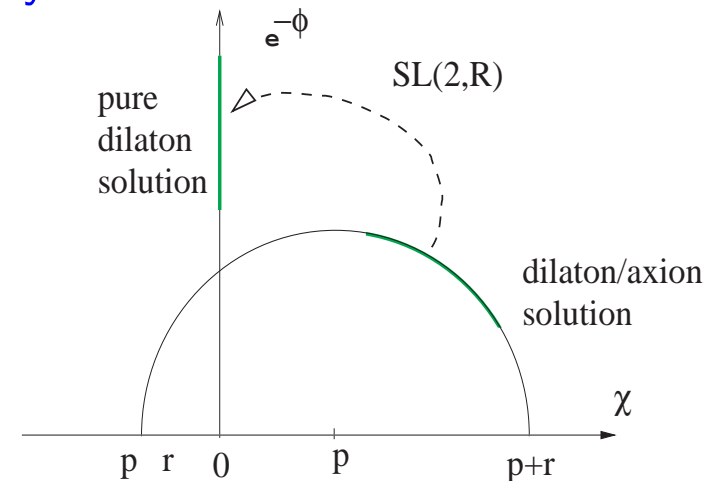
- index ranges:  $m = 0, 1, 2, 3$ ;  $i_1 = 4, 5$ ;  $i_2 = 6, 7$ ;  $a = 8, 9$ ;  $\varepsilon^{89} = 1$
- orthonormal frames  $\hat{e}^m, \hat{e}^{i_1}, \hat{e}^{i_2}$  resp. on  $AdS_4, S_1^2, S_2^2$  with unit radius
- $e^a$  is the orthonormal frame on  $\Sigma$  with  $ds_{\Sigma}^2 = e^a \otimes e^a$
- functions  $f_1, f_2, f_4, f_a$  are real,  $g_a, h_a, B$  complex



- Reduce BPS equations  $\delta\lambda = \delta\psi = 0$  to the above Ansatz
- Method of Killing spinors/vectors  
(Gauntlett, Martelli, Pakis, Waldram – Pilch, Warner)
  - well-suited for problems with  $G_{(3)} = 0$
  - less suited for varying dilaton and  $G_{(3)} \neq 0$
- $AdS_4 \times S^2 \times S^2$  BPS eqs set up by Gomis and Rommelsberger  
 $AdS_2 \times S^4 \times S^2$  BPS eqs set up by Lunin
  - identified one harmonic function,
  - but obtaining  $f_1, f_2, f_4, \dots$  still requires solving differential equations
  - which they did not succeed in doing.
- We work directly with the BPS equations;
  - we shall use Killing spinors as well,
  - but we shall not follow the standard methods of GMPW – PW
  - this will allow us to find the general solution, exactly.

## General simplifications

- Solutions with 16 susys
  - axion/dilaton runs over a geodesic path
  - by  $SL(2, \mathbf{R})$  symmetry of Type IIB, every solution to the BPS equations may be mapped to a solution with vanishing axion field, and real  $g_a, h_a, B$ .
  - Every solution to the BPS equations automatically solves the Bianchi and field equations



## The role of Killing spinors

- The dilatino BPS equation, for non-constant dilaton,  $\partial_M \phi \neq 0$ ,

$$0 = 4(\partial_M \phi) \Gamma^M \mathcal{B}^{-1} \varepsilon^* - (G_{(3)} \cdot \Gamma) \varepsilon$$

– allows for at most 16 independent solutions  $\varepsilon$

- The gravitino BPS equation should impose no further restrictions on  $\varepsilon$ ,

$$0 = D_M \varepsilon + \frac{i}{4} (F_{(5)} \cdot \Gamma) \Gamma_M \varepsilon - \frac{1}{16} \left( \Gamma_M (G_{(3)} \cdot \Gamma) + 2(G_{(3)} \cdot \Gamma) \Gamma_M \right) \mathcal{B}^{-1} \varepsilon^*$$

- On any one of the maximally symmetric components,  $AdS_4, S_1^2, S_2^2$ 
  - $\varepsilon$  should reduce to a “Killing spinor” (see e.g. Gomis and Rommelsberger)  
= spinor of maximal rank

## Killing spinors

- Consider spheres  $S^d = SO(d+1)/SO(d)$  of even dimension  $d$ .
- Maurer-Cartan connection  $\omega$ , in spinor representation,  $V \in SO(d+1)$ ,

$$\omega = V^{-1}dV = \frac{1}{4}\omega_{\bar{m}\bar{n}}\gamma^{\bar{m}\bar{n}} \quad \bar{m}, \bar{n} = 1, \dots, d+1$$

– decomposes into a  $SO(d)$  connection  $\omega_{mn}$ , with  $m, n = 1, \dots, d$  and an orthonormal frame  $e_m = \omega_{m(d+1)}$  on  $S^d$

- The parallel transport equation  $(d + \omega)\chi = 0$  is solved by  $\chi = V\chi_0$ ,
  - No constraints on  $\chi_0 \Rightarrow$  solution space always has *maximal rank*
  - Coincides with the Killing spinor equation on  $S^d$ ,

$$\left( d + \frac{1}{4}\omega_{mn}\gamma^{mn} - \frac{1}{2}\eta e_m \gamma^m \gamma^{d+1} \right) \chi_\eta = 0 \quad \eta = \pm 1$$

- Analogously for  $AdS_d = SO(2, d-1)/SO(1, d-1)$  spaces.

## Reducing the BPS equations

- Use Killing spinors on  $AdS_4 \times S^2 \times S^2$  as basis for the susy parameter  $\varepsilon$ ,

$$\varepsilon = \sum_{\eta_1, \eta_2, \eta_3} \chi^{\eta_1, \eta_2, \eta_3} \otimes \zeta_{\eta_1, \eta_2, \eta_3}$$

–  $\chi^{\eta_1, \eta_2, \eta_3}$  fixed basis,  $\eta = \pm$  independently;

–  $\zeta_{\eta_1, \eta_2, \eta_3}$  are 2-component spinors on  $\Sigma$ ,

$\Rightarrow$  2 complex algebraic reduced dilatino eqs

$\Rightarrow$  6 complex algebraic reduced gravitino eqs along  $AdS_4 \times S^2 \times S^2$ ;

$\Rightarrow$  4 complex differential reduced gravitino eqs.

- Symmetries of reduced BPS eqs lead to only non-vanishing components,

$$\zeta_{+ \pm \pm -} \sim \zeta_{+ \pm \mp +}^* \sim \alpha$$

$$\zeta_{- \pm \mp -} \sim \zeta_{- \pm \pm +}^* \sim \beta$$

## Reducing the BPS equations cont'd

- Introduce local complex coordinates  $w, \bar{w}$  on  $\Sigma$ ,  $ds_\Sigma^2 = 4\rho^2 |dw|^2$
- The algebraic equations may be used to solve for  $f_1, f_2, f_4, g_a, h_a, f_a$ ,

$$f_1 = \alpha\bar{\beta} + \bar{\alpha}\beta$$

$$g_z + ih_z = -4\alpha(\rho\beta)^{-1}\partial_w\phi$$

$$f_2 = i\bar{\alpha}\beta - i\alpha\bar{\beta}$$

$$g_z - ih_z = +4\beta(\rho\alpha)^{-1}\partial_w\phi$$

$$f_4 = \alpha\bar{\alpha} + \beta\bar{\beta}$$

$$f_z = \frac{i\nu}{2\alpha\beta} - \frac{\alpha^4 - \beta^4}{4\rho\alpha^2\beta^2}\partial_w\phi$$

- Then, eliminate these functions from the differential BPS equations,
- Two of the differential BPS eqs are equivalent to Cauchy-Riemann eqs,

$$\partial_w(\rho\alpha^2) + \rho\beta^2\partial_w\phi = 0 \quad \Rightarrow \quad \alpha^2 + \beta^2 = \bar{\kappa} e^{-\bar{\lambda}} \rho^{-1} e^{-\phi}$$

$$\partial_w(\rho\beta^2) + \rho\alpha^2\partial_w\phi = 0 \quad \Rightarrow \quad \alpha^2 - \beta^2 = \bar{\kappa} e^{+\bar{\lambda}} \rho^{-1} e^{+\phi}$$

–  $\kappa, \lambda$  arbitrary holomorphic, respectively 1-form and 0-form.

## Mapping to a new integrable system

- Eliminating  $\alpha, \beta$  from the remaining 2 differential eqs
  - leaves 2 complex differential eqs for  $\phi, \rho$  in terms of  $\kappa, \lambda$ .
  - Drastic simplification by changing variables to  $i\mu \equiv \lambda - \bar{\lambda}$ , and

$$\frac{\text{sh}(2\phi + 2\lambda)}{\text{sh}(2\phi + 2\bar{\lambda})} = e^{2i\vartheta} \quad \rho^8 = \hat{\rho}^8 (\sin 2\mu)^2 \frac{\kappa^4 \bar{\kappa}^4}{16} \frac{\sin \vartheta + \sin \mu}{(\sin \vartheta - \sin \mu)^3}$$

- Two differential eqs for  $\vartheta, \hat{\rho}$  in terms of  $\kappa, \mu$  become,

$$\begin{aligned} \partial_w \vartheta - (e^{-i\vartheta} + i \sin \mu)(\cos \mu)^{-1} \partial_w \mu &= -i\kappa \hat{\rho}^2 e^{i\vartheta/2} \\ \partial_w \vartheta - 2e^{-i\vartheta}(\cos \mu)^{-1} \partial_w \mu &= -2i\partial_w \ln \hat{\rho}^2 \end{aligned}$$

= System of Bäcklund transfs for the partial differential eq,

$$\partial_{\bar{w}} \left( \partial_w \vartheta - 2(\cos \mu)^{-1} (\partial_w \mu) e^{-i\vartheta} \right) + \text{c.c.} = 0$$

- This system is automatically integrable.

## General Exact solution

- A final change of variables,  $\psi \equiv \hat{\rho}^{-2}(\cos \mu)e^{-i\vartheta/2}$  maps to a linear system,

$$\partial_w \psi = -\kappa \cos \mu$$

$$\partial_w \bar{\psi} = (i\psi - \bar{\psi} \sin \mu)(\partial_w \mu)(\cos \mu)^{-1}$$

- whose general solution is given via  $\kappa, \mu$ , or equivalently harmonic  $h_1, h_2$ ,

$$\psi = ih_1 e^{-\bar{\lambda}} + h_2 e^{+\bar{\lambda}} \quad e^{2\lambda} = i\partial_w h_1 / \partial_w h_2 \quad \kappa^2 = 4i\partial_w h_1 \partial_w h_2$$

- All fields of the Ansatz may be expressed in terms of  $h_1, h_2$ , e.g.

$$e^{4\phi} = \frac{2h_1 h_2 |\partial_w h_2|^2 - h_2^2 W}{2h_1 h_2 |\partial_w h_1|^2 - h_1^2 W} \quad W \equiv \partial_w h_1 \partial_{\bar{w}} h_2 + \text{c.c.}$$

$$\rho^8 = \frac{W^2}{h_1^3 h_2^3} \left( 2h_1 |\partial_w h_2|^2 - h_2 W \right) \left( 2h_2 |\partial_w h_1|^2 - h_1 W \right)$$

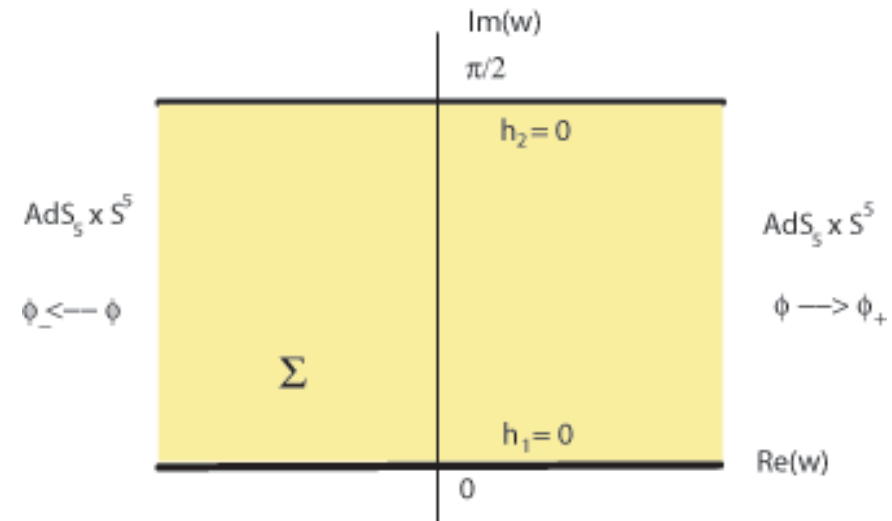


## AdS<sub>5</sub> × S<sup>5</sup> and Janus with 16 susys

- We readily obtain a 2-parameter family of non-singular solutions,

$$h_1 = \text{Im} (e^{w-\phi_+} - e^{-w-\phi_-}) \quad h_2 = \text{Re} (e^{w+\phi_+} + e^{-w+\phi_-})$$

- For  $\phi_+ = \phi_-$  gives AdS<sub>5</sub> × S<sup>5</sup>
- For  $\phi_+ \neq \phi_-$ , dilaton varies  
 = Janus solution with 16 susys
  - in  $\partial\Sigma$  :  $h_1 h_2 = 0$
  - in  $\Sigma$  :  $W \leq 0, h_1, h_2 \geq 0$



## General regularity conditions

- More generally, regularity will require that inside  $\Sigma$ , we have

$$0 < e^{4\phi} = \frac{2h_1h_2|\partial_w h_2|^2 - h_2^2 W}{2h_1h_2|\partial_w h_1|^2 - h_1^2 W} \quad W \equiv \partial_w h_1 \partial_{\bar{w}} h_2 + \text{c.c.}$$

$$0 \leq \rho^8 = \frac{W^2}{h_1^4 h_2^4} \left( 2h_1h_2|\partial_w h_2|^2 - h_2^2 W \right) \left( 2h_1h_2|\partial_w h_1|^2 - h_1^2 W \right)$$

- Set of manifestly sufficient conditions inside  $\Sigma$ ,

$$h_1 > 0 \quad h_2 > 0 \quad W \leq 0$$

– These are obeyed by  $AdS_5 \times S^5$  and Janus with 16 susys

- Still need boundary conditions on  $\partial\Sigma$ .

## General regularity conditions cont'd

- General solution manifold  $\mathcal{S}$  is specified by 3 conformal data:  $\Sigma, h_1, h_2$ .
  - Assume boundary of  $\mathcal{S}$  is locally asymptotic to  $AdS_5 \times S^5$ ;
  - Asymptotic  $AdS_5 \times S^5$  regions originate from isolated points on  $\partial\Sigma$ ;
  - $\Rightarrow$  Away from those points,  $\partial\Sigma$  produces *interior points* of  $\mathcal{S}$ ;
  - $\Rightarrow$  Either  $S_1^2$  or  $S_2^2$  must shrink to zero on  $\partial\Sigma$  (but never  $AdS_4$ )
  - $\Rightarrow$  Either  $f_1 = 0$  or  $f_2 = 0$  on  $\partial\Sigma$  (but  $f_4$  is never zero);
- The form of the solution then imposes boundary conditions on  $h_1, h_2$ ,
 

$f_1^2 f_4^2 = 4e^{+2\phi} h_1^2$	$f_1 = 0 \quad \Rightarrow \quad (h_1 = 0 \quad \& \quad \partial_w h_2 = 0)$
$f_2^2 f_4^2 = 4e^{-2\phi} h_2^2$	$f_2 = 0 \quad \Rightarrow \quad (h_2 = 0 \quad \& \quad \partial_w h_1 = 0)$
- Equivalent to two coupled electro-statics problems with
  - alternating Neumann and vanishing Dirichlet conditions on  $\partial\Sigma$
  - $h_1, h_2 > 0$  in the interior of  $\Sigma$

## General regular solutions

- Map the domain  $\Sigma$  onto the lower half-plane with complex coordinate  $u$ .
  - The boundary  $\partial\Sigma$  is then the real axis  $\mathbf{R}$ .
  - Points  $e_i$  on  $\partial\Sigma$  where Dirichlet  $\leftrightarrow$  Neumann,  $i = 1, 2, \dots, 2g + 2$ .

- Construction of  $h_1, h_2$  via hyperelliptic curve of genus  $g$ , defined by

$$s(u)^2 = (u - e_1)(u - e_2) \cdots (u - e_{2g+1}) \quad e_{2g+1} < \cdots < e_1 < e_0 = \infty$$

- The meromorphic differentials  $\partial h_1, \partial h_2$  may be written down explicitly,

$$\partial h_1 = -i \frac{P_1(u) du}{s(u)^3} \quad \partial h_2 = -\frac{P_2(u) du}{s(u)^3}$$

- for two real polynomials  $P_1, P_2$  of degree  $3g + 1$ ,
- Neumann and Dirichlet conditions automatically satisfied,
- behavior at branch points  $du/(u - e_i)^{3/2}$  guarantees asymptotic  $AdS_5 \times S^5$

## General regular solutions cont'd

- Regularity requires that
  - $P_1, P_2$  have  $g$  common complex zeros  $u_a$ ,  $a = 1, \dots, g$ ,
  - $P_1$  has  $g + 1$  real zeros  $\alpha_b$ ,  $b = 1, \dots, g + 1$ ,
  - $P_2$  has  $g + 1$  real zeros  $\beta_b$ ,  $b = 1, \dots, g + 1$ , satisfying the ordering

$$\alpha_{g+1} < e_{2g+1} < \beta_{g+1} < e_{2g} < \dots < e_2 < \alpha_1 < e_1 < \beta_1$$

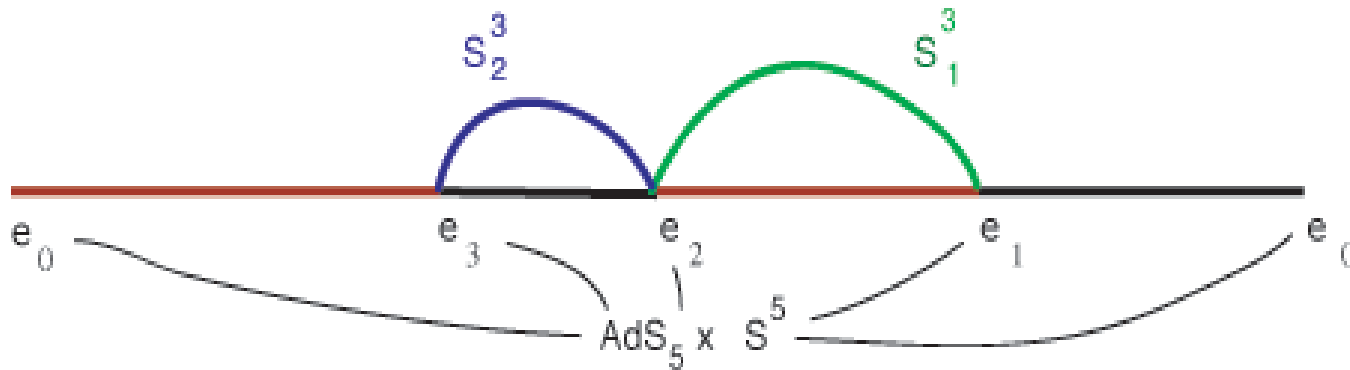
- It only remains to ensure that the Dirichlet conditions VANISH,

$$\text{Im} \int_{e_{2j}}^{e_{2j-1}} \partial h_1 = \text{Im} \int_{e_{2j+1}}^{e_{2j}} \partial h_2 = 0 \quad j = 1, \dots, g$$

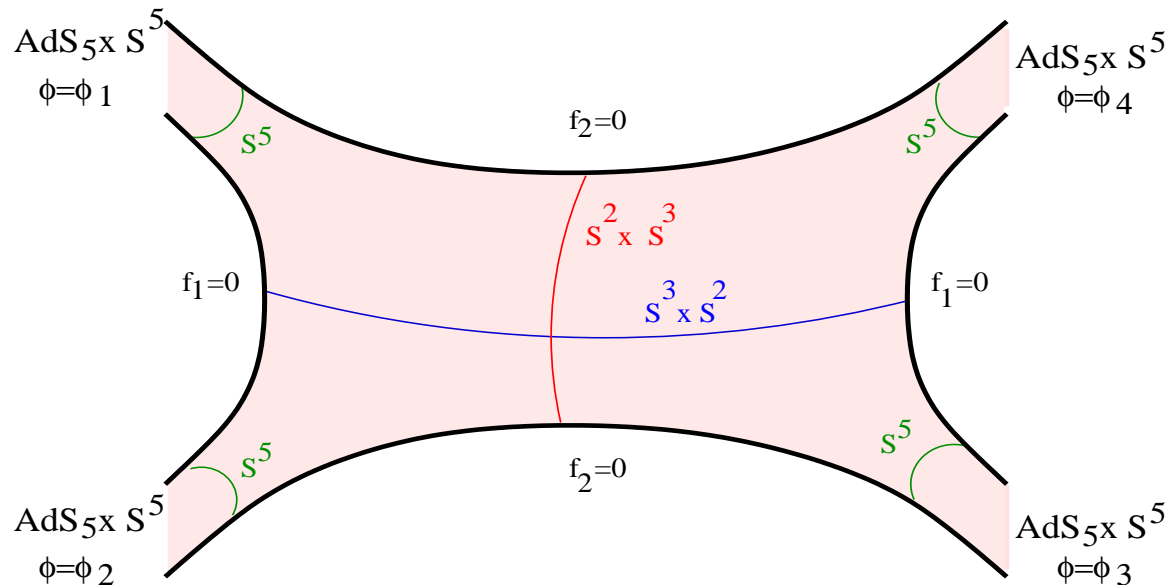
- Given the branch points  $e_i$  and the ordered real zeros  $\alpha_b, \beta_b$ ,
  - The above period relations determine the  $g$  complex zeros  $u_a$ .
  - The geometry of the allowed moduli space is known explicitly for  $g = 1$ ,
  - and is known locally for  $g \geq 2$ ; analogous to instanton moduli space.

## Topology of regular solutions

- $2g + 2$  branch points = different asymptotic boundary  $AdS_5 \times S^5$  regions
  - each with its independent constant dilaton limit
- There are  $g$  independent pairs of homology 3-spheres,  $j = 1, \dots, g$ 
  - $S_{1j}^3 = [e_{2j}, e_{2j-1}] \times_f S_1^2$       NSNS 3-form charges  $\mathcal{H}_j = \int_{S_{1j}^3} H^{(3)}$
  - $S_{2j}^3 = [e_{2j+1}, e_{2j}] \times_f S_2^2$       RR 3-form charges  $\mathcal{F}_j = \int_{S_{2j}^3} F^{(3)}$
  - e.g. genus 1

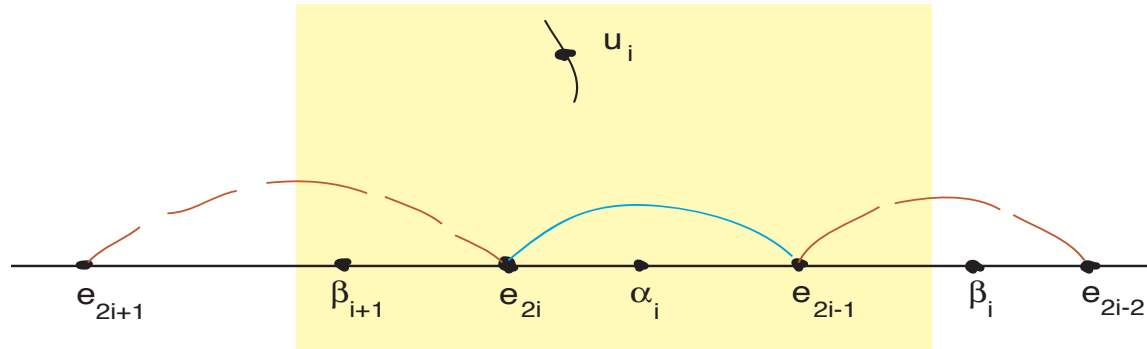


e.g. Genus 1 solution for  $AdS_4$



- For any genus  $g$ , solutions have  $2g + 2$  asymptotic  $AdS_5 \times S^5$
- Number of free parameters of solution is  $4g + 6$ ,
  - including: restoring the axion by  $SL(2, \mathbf{R})$ , and overall radius

## Topology change : a collapsing branch cut



$$\partial h_1 = \frac{(u - u_i)(u - \bar{u}_i)(u - \alpha_i)}{(u - e_{2i})^{3/2}(u - e_{2i-1})^{3/2}} (\partial h_1)_{g-1} \quad \partial h_2 = \frac{(u - u_i)(u - \bar{u}_i)(u - \beta_{i+1})}{(u - e_{2i})^{3/2}(u - e_{2i-1})^{3/2}} (\partial h_2)_{g-1}$$

- As  $e_{2i-1} \rightarrow e_{2i}$  we must have  $\alpha_i \rightarrow e_{2i}$ , and  $\text{Im} \int \partial h_1 = 0$  forces  $u_i \rightarrow e_{2i}$
- Two possibilities
  - (A)  $\beta_{i+1} \rightarrow e_{2i}$  gives topology change  $(\partial h_{1,2})_g \rightarrow (\partial h_{1,2})_{g-1}$
  - (B)  $\beta_{i+1} \not\rightarrow e_{2i}$  gives  $\partial h_1 \rightarrow (\partial h_1)_{g-1}$  but leaves a singular  $\partial h_2$   
 $\sim$  the probe limit: a D5 (or NS5) brane remains



## Total branch cut collapse

- Collapse of all branch cuts produces probe brane limit,
  - $m_R$  D5 branes and  $m_{NS}$  NS5 branes with  $m_R + m_{NS} = g$
  - leads to a simple explicit solution,

$$h_1 = -2i(w - \bar{w}) \left( 1 + \frac{C_0}{|w|^2} \right) + \sum_{j=1}^{m_R} \frac{C_j}{\ell_j} \ln \left| \frac{w + i\ell_j}{w - i\ell_j} \right|^2$$

$$h_2 = -2(w + \bar{w}) \left( 1 + \frac{D_0}{|w|^2} \right) - \sum_{i=1}^{m_{NS}} \frac{D_i}{k_i} \ln \left| \frac{w + k_i}{w - k_i} \right|^2$$

- for real  $k_i, \ell_j, C_j, D_i, C_0, D_0$ , and positive
- RR and NSNS 3-form charges given by

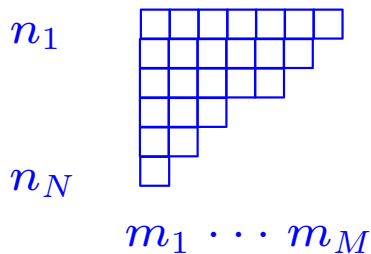
$$\mathcal{F}_j = C_j/\ell_j \qquad \mathcal{H}_i = D_i/k_i$$

**CFT dual to  $AdS_4$  solutions (in progress)**

- The  $AdS_4$  factor indicates the presence of an interface.
- For  $g = 0$ , CFT dual has interface operators (built from bulk fields).
- For  $g \geq 1$ , several gauge groups
  - different species of  $\mathcal{N}=4$ , decoupled away from interface
  - interact only via the interface
  - are coupled via extra massless fields on the interface
  - On AdS side, extra massless fields arise from  $S^3$  shrinking to zero
- For  $g \geq 1$ , as branch cuts collapse,
  - and we approach the limit with probe branes,
  - recover massless string excitations from probe D5 branesof De Wolfe, Freedman, Ooguri – Skenderis, Taylor
- Our solutions are fully back-reacted geometries with D5 and NS5 branes

## The Wilson loop with 16 supersymmetries

- On CFT side, half-BPS Wilson loop in  $\mathcal{N}=4$ ,  $SU(N)$  SYM,

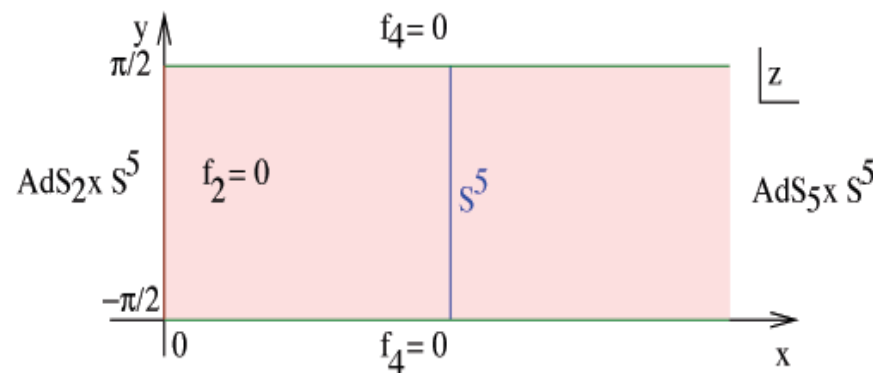


$$\text{Tr}_R \exp i \int dt (A_0 + n^I \phi_I) \quad |n| = 1$$

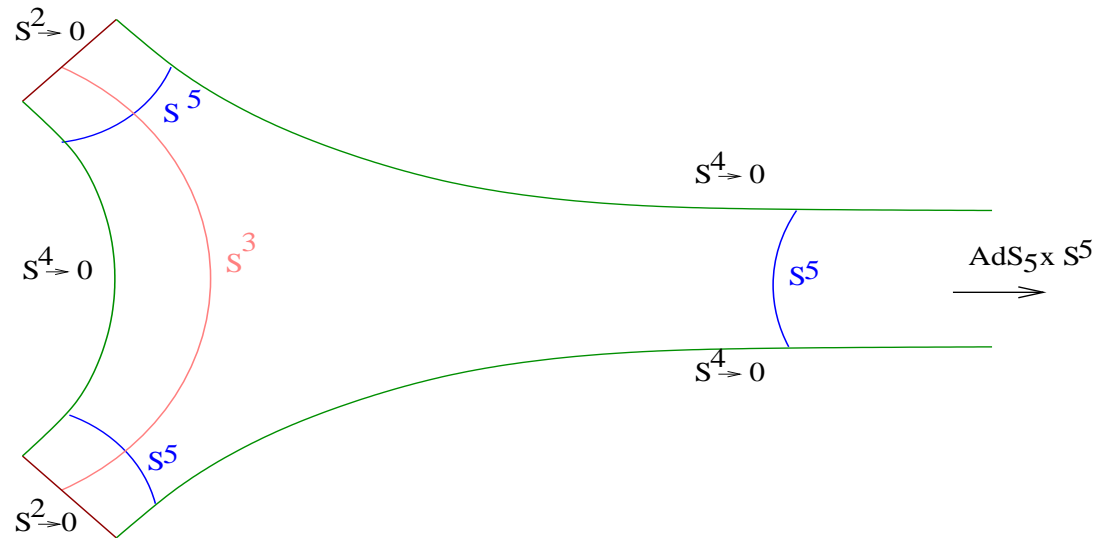
- Invariant under  $SO(2,1) \times SO(3) \times SO(5)$
- On AdS side, quantum numbers can be realized via probe branes
  - fundamental rep  $\square$  via D3 probe (Maldacena – Rey, Yee)
  - symmetrizations of  $\square$  via D5 probes (Drukker, Fiol)
- General representation  $R$ , (Gomis, Passerini)
  - probe D5 branes  $j = 1, \dots, M$ , with  $m_j$  units of F1 dissolved
  - OR probe D3 branes  $i = 1, \dots, N$ , with  $n_i$  units of F1 dissolved

## Wilson loop AdS dual supergravity solution

- CFT symmetry  $SO(2, 1) \times SO(3) \times SO(5)$  requires
- AdS dual geometry  $AdS_2 \times S^2 \times S^4 \times_w \Sigma$ 
  - Formally, obtained by analytic continuation from  $AdS_4 \times S^2 \times S^2 \times_w \Sigma$
  - Analytic continuation may send regular to singular, & change # susys
  - $\Rightarrow$  Topologies and # moduli different
- Our methods: general solution via harmonic functions  $h_1, h_2$  on  $\Sigma$ .



e.g. The genus 1 solution for  $AdS_2$



- For any genus  $g$ , solutions have only a single asymptotic  $AdS_5 \times S^5$
- There are  $g$  independent homology  $S^3$  carrying RR 3-form charges
- Number of free parameters of solution is  $2g + 5$  for  $g \geq 1$  (3 for  $g = 0$ ).

## Geometries with CFT duals and 16 susys (in progress)

- Can one construct all solutions with 16 susys to Type IIB sugra ?
- Can one construct all solutions with 16 susys which have a CFT dual ?
  - View as AdS duals to deformations of  $\mathcal{N} = 4$  SYM
  - Expect a subgroup  $H$  of  $SU(2, 2|4)$  with 16 susys to be preserved
  - Semi-simple  $H$  first, with maximal bosonic subgroup  $H_B$

$H$	$H_B$	space-time	sol's
$SU(2 2) \times SU(2 2)$	$SO(4) \times SO(4) \times R$	$M_4 \times S^3 \times S^3$	LLM
$OSp(4 4^*)$	$SO(2, 3) \times SO(3) \times SO(3)$	$AdS_4 \times S^2 \times S^2 \times \Sigma$ $AdS_4 \times S^3 \times \Sigma$	DEG ?
$OSp(4^* 4)$	$SO(2, 1) \times SO(3) \times SO(5)$	$AdS_2 \times S^2 \times S^4 \times \Sigma$	DEG
$SU(2 4)$	$SO(3) \times SO(5)$	$M_3 \times S^2 \times S^4$	?
$SU(1, 1 4)$	$SO(2, 1) \times SO(5)$	$AdS_2 \times S^5 \times E_3$	?
$SU(2, 2 2)$	$SO(2, 4) \times SO(3)$	$AdS_5 \times S^2 \times E_3$	?

## Further open problems

- Half-BPS solutions to Type IIB supergravity are surprisingly manageable;
- Regular solutions to  $AdS_2$  and  $AdS_4$  problems with other topologies ?
- Can one derive a reduced quantization of only the half-BPS states
  - Free fermion/matrix reduction may be derived directly from LLM  
(Maoz, Rychkov – Grant, Maoz, Marsano, Papadodimas, Rychkov)
- Unified approach to 16 susy solutions from subgroups of  $SU(2, 2|4)$  ?

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**The End**



## Interface operators

- Using the same requirements as for the interface transformations,

$$\mathcal{L}_\psi = \frac{\partial_\pi g}{g^3} \text{tr} \left( y_1 \bar{\psi} \gamma^\pi \psi + \frac{i}{4} y_2^{ij} \bar{\psi} \gamma^\pi \rho^{ij} \psi - \frac{i}{2} y_3^{ijk} \psi^t \rho^{ijk} \psi + cc \right)$$

$$\mathcal{L}_\phi = \frac{\partial_\pi g}{2g^3} \text{tr} \left( z_1^{ij} \partial_\pi (\phi^i \phi^j) + 2z_2^{ij} \phi^{[i} D_\pi \phi^{j]} - iz_3^{ijk} \phi^i [\phi^j, \phi^k] \right)$$

$$\mathcal{L}_{\phi^2} = \frac{(\partial_\pi g)^2}{2g^4} \text{tr} \left( z_4^{ij} \phi^i \phi^j \right)$$

- The interface terms have the following  $SU(4)_R$  representations,

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{ll} y_1 & \mathbf{1} \\ z_1, z_4 & \mathbf{1} \oplus \mathbf{20}' \end{array} \right. \quad \left\{ \begin{array}{ll} y_2, z_2 & \mathbf{15} \\ y_3, z_3 & \mathbf{10} \oplus \mathbf{10}^* \end{array} \right.$$

- The **10**, **10\***, **15**, **20'**, couple to sugra fields; **1** couples to strings.

## The maximally supersymmetric iCFT

- $D = \text{diag}[1 \ 1 \ 1 \ 1]$ , 8 Poincaré (16 conf) susy: global  $SO(3) \times SO(3)$ ;

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{L}_I &= \frac{\partial_\pi g}{2g^3} \text{tr} \left( i\psi^t \mathcal{C} \psi + i\psi^\dagger \mathcal{C} \psi^* - 4i\phi^2 [\phi^4, \phi^6] \right) \\ &\quad + \left( g^{-3} (\partial_\pi g) \partial_\pi - 2g^{-4} (\partial_\pi g)^2 \right) \text{tr} \left( (\phi^2)^2 + (\phi^4)^2 + (\phi^6)^2 \right) \end{aligned}$$

- Last term may be absorbed into kinetic term for  $\phi^i$   
by rescaling  $\phi^i \rightarrow g^2 \phi^i$  for  $i = 2, 4, 6$  and  $\phi^i \rightarrow \phi^i$  for  $i = 1, 3, 5$

$$\mathcal{L}_I^{\text{rescaled}} = \frac{\partial_\pi g}{2g^3} \text{tr} \left( i\psi^t \mathcal{C} \psi + i\psi^\dagger \mathcal{C} \psi^* - 4ig^6 \phi^2 [\phi^4, \phi^6] \right)$$

- The rescaled theory admits a conformal limit where  $g$  is a step function.