

Scalar field Hadamard renormalisation in AdS_n

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Scalar field theory in AdS_n

Geometry

Anti-de Sitter space

AdS_n is the *maximally symmetric* vacuum solution to Einstein's classical field equations with constant *negative* curvature.

Hyperspherical coordinates

Timelike	Radial	Polar	Azimuthal
$-\pi \leq \tau \leq \pi$	$0 \leq \rho < \frac{\pi}{2}$	$0 \leq \theta_j < \pi$	$0 \leq \theta_{n-2} < 2\pi$
		$(j = 1, 2, \dots, n-3)$	

Metric

$$ds^2 = -a^2 \sec^2 \rho \left[d\tau^2 - d\rho^2 - \sin^2 \rho \left(d\theta_1^2 + \sum_{i=2}^{n-2} \prod_{j=1}^{i-1} \sin^2 \theta_j d\theta_i^2 \right) \right].$$

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Propagation

Homogenous scalar field wave equation

$$(\square - m^2 - \xi \mathcal{R}) \phi(x) = 0$$

Inhomogenous scalar field wave equation

$$\left(\square_x - m^2 - \xi \mathcal{R} \right) G_F(x, x') = g^{-\frac{1}{2}} \delta(x, x'), \quad g := |\det g_{\mu\nu}|$$

Short-distance behaviour of $G_F(x, x')$

$$-iG_F(x, x') \rightarrow \langle \Phi^2(x) \rangle \quad \text{as } x' \rightarrow x$$

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Maximal Symmetry

General effect of maximal symmetry

$$G_F(x, x') \mapsto G_F(s), \quad s := s(x, x').$$

Synge's 'world function'

$$\sigma := \frac{1}{2}s^2$$

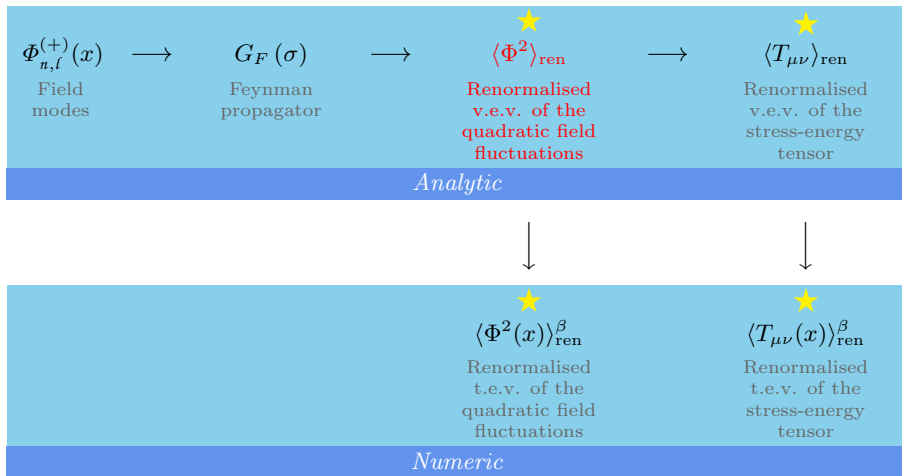
Inhomogenous scalar field wave equation

$$\left(\square - m^2 - \xi \mathcal{R} \right) G_F(\sigma) = \delta(\sigma) \quad \forall \sigma < 0$$

Short-distance behaviour of $G_F(\sigma)$

$$-iG_F(\sigma) \rightarrow \langle \Phi^2 \rangle \quad \text{as } \sigma \rightarrow 0$$

Overview of research



Calculation of $\langle \Phi^2 \rangle_{\text{ren}}$

Hadamard theorem

Hadamard form of the Feynman Green's function

$$G_F^H(\sigma) = i\nu(n) \left[U(\sigma)\sigma^{1-\frac{n}{2}} + V(\sigma) \ln \bar{\sigma} + W(\sigma) \right] \quad \forall n > 2$$

(where $\nu(n)$ is a constant).

Hadamard functions

- $U(\sigma)$, $V(\sigma)$ and $W(\sigma)$ are *regular* as $\sigma \rightarrow 0$.
- Expansion coefficients are obtained from recursion relations [1].
- $U(\sigma)$, $V(\sigma)$ are *uniquely defined* but $W(\sigma)$ is *not*.

Singularity structure

$$G_{F, \text{sing}}^H(\sigma) = i\nu(n) \left[U(\sigma)\sigma^{1-\frac{n}{2}} + V(\sigma) \ln \bar{\sigma} \right], \quad \text{purely geometric}$$
$$G_{F, \text{reg}}^H(\sigma) = i\nu(n)W(\sigma), \quad \text{state-dependent}$$

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Hadamard renormalisation

Given

$$G_F(\sigma) = G_{F, \text{reg}}^H(\sigma) + G_{F, \text{sing}}^H(\sigma) \quad \text{and} \quad G_F(\sigma) \rightarrow 'i\langle \Phi^2 \rangle' \text{ as } \sigma \rightarrow 0,$$

$$' \langle \Phi^2 \rangle ' = \langle \Phi^2 \rangle_{\text{phys}} + ' \langle \Phi^2 \rangle_{\text{unphys}} ' \quad \text{when } \sigma = 0,$$

where

$$\langle \Phi^2 \rangle_{\text{phys}} = -i \lim_{\sigma \rightarrow 0} G_{F, \text{reg}}^H(\sigma) = \nu(n) \lim_{\sigma \rightarrow 0} W(\sigma).$$

Therefore

$$\langle \Phi^2 \rangle_{\text{phys}} = \langle \Phi^2 \rangle_{\text{ren}}$$

because

$$\begin{aligned} \langle \Phi^2 \rangle_{\text{ren}} &= -i \lim_{\sigma \rightarrow 0} \left[G_F(\sigma) - G_{F, \text{sing}}^H(\sigma) \right] \\ &= -i \lim_{\sigma \rightarrow 0} \left[G_F(\sigma) - i\nu(n) \left\{ U(\sigma) \sigma^{1-\frac{n}{2}} + V(\sigma) \ln \bar{\sigma} \right\} \right] \end{aligned}$$

Calculation of $\langle \Phi^2 \rangle_{\text{ren}}$

Scalar field propagator on AdS_n

The ISFWE is a hypergeometric differential equation [2] in $z(\sigma)$ with solution

$$G_F(\sigma) = CF \left[\frac{n-1}{2} + \mu, \frac{n-1}{2} - \mu; \frac{n}{2}; z \right] + DF \left[\frac{n-1}{2} + \mu, \frac{n-1}{2} - \mu; \frac{n}{2}; 1-z \right]$$

where

- $z(\sigma) := - \left(\sinh \left(\frac{1}{a} \sqrt{\frac{\sigma}{2}} \right) \right)^2, \quad \mu := \sqrt{\frac{(n-1)^2}{4} + m^2 a^2 + \xi \mathcal{R} a^2},$
- C, D are constants,
- F is the hypergeometric function,

and

$$G_F(\sigma) = G_{F, \text{reg}}(\sigma) + G_{F, \text{sing}}(\sigma)$$

Calculation of $\langle \Phi^2 \rangle_{\text{ren}}$

Code structure

Code was first written in Maple to generate expressions for

1. $G_{F, \text{sing}}(\sigma)$ as $\sigma \rightarrow 0$
2. $G_{F, \text{sing}}^H(\sigma)$ as $\sigma \rightarrow 0$

Example: $n = 5$ as $\sigma \rightarrow 0$

$$G_{F, \text{sing}}(\sigma) = \frac{i\sqrt{2}}{32\pi^2} \left\{ \frac{1}{\sigma^{\frac{3}{2}}} + \left(-m^2 - \frac{4}{a^2} + 20\xi \frac{1}{a^2} \right) \frac{1}{\sigma^{\frac{1}{2}}} \right\},$$

$$G_{F, \text{sing}}^H(\sigma) = \frac{i\sqrt{2}}{32\pi^2} \left\{ \frac{1}{\sigma^{\frac{3}{2}}} + \left(-m^2 - \frac{4}{a^2} + 20\xi \frac{1}{a^2} \right) \frac{1}{\sigma^{\frac{1}{2}}} \right\}.$$

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Code structure

Example: $n = 6$ as $\sigma \rightarrow 0$

$$\begin{aligned} G_{F, \text{sing}}(\sigma) &= \frac{i}{16\pi^3} \left\{ \frac{1}{\sigma^2} + \left(-\frac{1}{2}m^2 - \frac{10}{3} \frac{1}{a^2} + 15\xi \frac{1}{a^2} \right) \frac{1}{\sigma} \right. \\ &\quad + \left[-\frac{1}{8}m^4 + \left(-\frac{5}{4} + \frac{15}{2}\xi \right) \frac{m^2}{a^2} + \left(-3 + \frac{75}{2}\xi - \frac{225}{2}\xi^2 \right) \frac{1}{a^4} \right] \ln \bar{\sigma} \\ &\quad \left. + \frac{1}{48} \frac{m^2}{a^2} + \left(\frac{101}{720} - \frac{5}{8}\xi \right) \frac{1}{a^4} \right\}, \end{aligned}$$

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Calculation of $\langle \Phi^2 \rangle_{\text{ren}}$

Code structure

3. Subtraction of singular parts as $\sigma \rightarrow 0$

Defining

$$f_n^0 := \lim_{\sigma \rightarrow 0} \left[G_{F, \text{sing}}(\sigma) - G_{F, \text{sing}}^H(\sigma) \right],$$

$$f_n^0 \begin{cases} = 0 & n \text{ odd,} \\ \neq 0 & n \text{ even.} \end{cases}$$

4. Calculation of $\langle \Phi^2 \rangle_{\text{ren}}$

Recalling

$$\langle \Phi^2 \rangle_{\text{ren}} = -i \lim_{\sigma \rightarrow 0} \left[G_F(\sigma) - G_{F, \text{sing}}^H(\sigma) \right]$$

and

$$G_F(\sigma) = G_{F, \text{reg}}(\sigma) + G_{F, \text{sing}}(\sigma),$$

then

$$\langle \Phi^2 \rangle_{\text{ren}} = -i \lim_{\sigma \rightarrow 0} \left[G_{F, \text{reg}}(\sigma) + f_n^0 \right].$$

Calculation of $\langle \Phi^2 \rangle_{\text{ren}}$

Results

Example: $n = 10$

$$\begin{aligned} \langle \Phi^2 \rangle_{\text{ren}} = & -\frac{1}{12288\pi^5 a^8} \\ & \times \left\{ \left(\mu^8 - 21\mu^6 + \frac{987}{8}\mu^4 - \frac{3229}{16}\mu^2 + \frac{11025}{256} \right) \left[\psi \left(\frac{1}{2} + \mu \right) + \gamma - \ln \bar{a} \right] \right. \\ & \left. - \frac{25}{24}\mu^8 + \frac{461}{24}\mu^6 - \frac{87983}{960}\mu^4 + \frac{3854941}{40320}\mu^2 + \frac{288563}{30720} \right\}; \end{aligned}$$

Example: $n = 11$

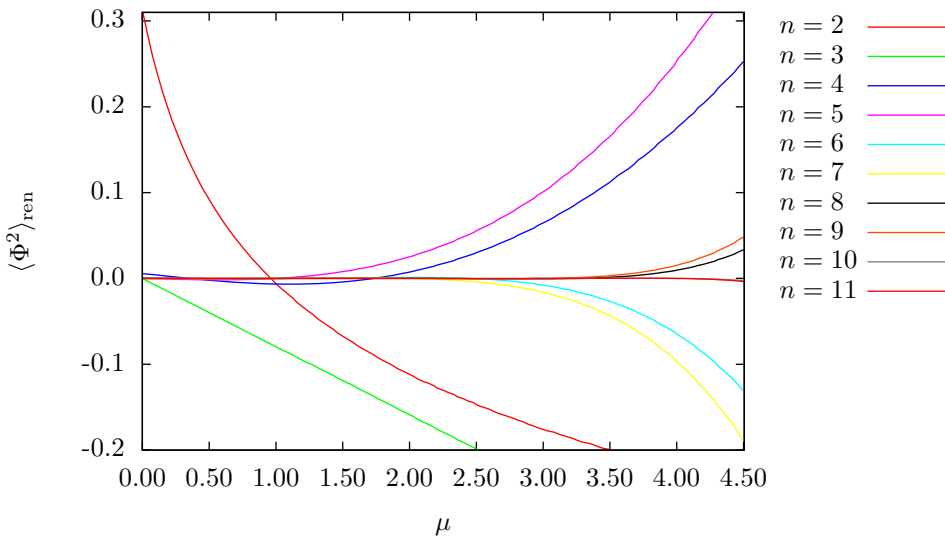
$$\langle \Phi^2 \rangle_{\text{ren}} = -\frac{1}{60480\pi^5 a^9} \{ \mu^9 - 30\mu^7 + 273\mu^5 - 820\mu^3 + 576\mu \};$$

where

$$\mu := \sqrt{\frac{(n-1)^2}{4} + m^2 a^2 + \xi \mathcal{R} a^2}.$$

Calculation of $\langle \Phi^2 \rangle_{\text{ren}}$

Results (for $\bar{a} = 1$)



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Conclusions

- Using the Hadamard theorem, we have obtained expressions of $\langle \Phi^2 \rangle_{\text{ren}}$ analytically.
- Expressions have been obtained for a massive neutral scalar field in $n = 2$ to $n = 11$ inclusive involving an arbitrary coupling ξ .
- The method used is easily extended to higher n with sufficient processing power.

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