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## A 3D Superconformal QM with $s/(2|1)$ dynamical symmetry

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## Previous works (three methods):

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**F. Calogero (1969)** -  $sl_2$ -invariance,  $\frac{1}{x^2}$  potential.

**de Alfaro-Fubini-Furlan (1976)** - oscillator term addition (discrete, grounded from below spectrum, ground state).

**Conformal Mechanics in the new Millennium (motivations):**

Holography:  $AdS_2 - CFT_1$

test particle close to RN BH horizon (Britto-Pacumio et al. 1999).

$AdS_2$  holography and SYK models (Maldacena and Stanford 2016).

## Contents:

- Construction of the 3D SCQM model
- Construction of the 3D  $\beta$ -deformed oscillator
- Determination of the  $sl(2|1)$  lwr's.
- Alternative selections of Hilbert spaces  
(following Miyazaki-Tsutsui '02 and F    r-Tsutsui-F  l  p '05)
- Spectra and zigzag patterns of vacuum energies.
- Interpolating linear/quadratic regimes for energy degeneracies
- Orthonormal eigenstates from associated Laguerre polynomials and spin-spherical harmonics.
- Dimensional reductions.
- Comment on larger algebraic structures.

# The 3D SCQM model:

Natural Ansatz for  $\mathcal{N} = 2$  susy ( $a = 1, 2$ ):

$$Q_a = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \gamma_a \left( \not{\partial} - \frac{\beta}{r^2} N_F \not{r} \right).$$

$\beta$  is a real parameter,  $r = \sqrt{x_1^2 + x_2^2 + x_3^2}$  the radial coordinate, while  $\not{\partial} = \partial_i h_i$  and  $\not{r} = x_i h_i$  are written in terms of quaternions ( $h_i$ );  $\gamma_a$  are Clifford matrices s.t.  $[\gamma_a, h_i] = 0$ ;  $N_F$  is the Fermion Parity Operator.

$\mathcal{N} = 2$  supersymmetric quantum mechanics:

$$\{Q_a, Q_b\} = 2\delta_{ab}H, \quad [H, Q_a] = 0.$$

The  $4 \times 4$  matrix supersymmetric Hamiltonian  $H$  is given by

$$H = \begin{pmatrix} \left( -\frac{1}{2}\nabla^2 + \frac{2\beta}{r^2} \vec{\mathbf{S}} \cdot \vec{\mathbf{L}} + \frac{\beta(\beta+1)}{2r^2} \right) \mathbb{I}_2 & 0 \\ 0 & \left( -\frac{1}{2}\nabla^2 - \frac{2\beta}{r^2} \vec{\mathbf{S}} \cdot \vec{\mathbf{L}} + \frac{\beta(\beta-1)}{2r^2} \right) \mathbb{I}_2 \end{pmatrix}$$

where  $\nabla^2 = \partial_{x_1}^2 + \partial_{x_2}^2 + \partial_{x_3}^2$  is the three-dimensional Laplacian,  $\vec{\mathbf{S}}$  is the spin- $\frac{1}{2}$  and  $\vec{\mathbf{L}}$  is a orbital angular momentum.

The Hamiltonian  $H$  is Hermitian. Since the spin is  $\frac{1}{2}$ , the total angular momentum  $\vec{\mathbf{J}} = \vec{\mathbf{L}} + \vec{\mathbf{S}}$  of the quantum-mechanical system is half-integer.

The Hamiltonian is non-diagonal; on the other hand, due to

$$\vec{\mathbf{L}} \cdot \vec{\mathbf{S}} = \frac{1}{2}(\vec{\mathbf{J}}^2 - \vec{\mathbf{L}}^2 - \vec{\mathbf{S}}^2) = \frac{1}{2}(j(j+1) - l(l+1) - \frac{3}{4}),$$

it gets diagonalized in each sector of given total  $j$  and orbital  $l$  angular momentum.

In each such sector it corresponds to a constant kinetic term plus a diagonal potential term proportional to  $\frac{1}{r^2}$ .

## $sl(2|1)$ superconformal algebra:

DFF construction: Introduce the conformal partner of  $H$  as the rotationally invariant operator  $K$  of scaling dimension  $[K] = -1$ :

$$K = \frac{1}{2} r^2 \mathbb{I}_4$$

Verify whether the repeated (anti)commutators of the operators  $Q_a$  and  $K$  close the superconformal algebra  $sl(2|1)$ . It is so!

Four extra operators ( $\bar{Q}_a, D, R$ ) have to be added.  $D$  is the (bosonic) dilatation operator which, together with  $H, K$ , close the  $sl(2)$  subalgebra, two fermionic operators  $\bar{Q}_a$  and  $R$  is the  $u(1)$   $R$ -symmetry bosonic operator of  $sl(2|1)$ :

$$\begin{aligned} [D, H] &= -2iH, & [D, K] &= 2iK, & [H, K] &= iD, \\ [D, Q_a] &= -iQ_a, & [D, \bar{Q}_a] &= i\bar{Q}_a, & & \\ [H, \bar{Q}_a] &= iQ_a, & [K, Q_a] &= -i\bar{Q}_a, & & \\ \{Q_a, Q_b\} &= 2\delta_{ab}H, & \{\bar{Q}_a, \bar{Q}_b\} &= 2\delta_{ab}K, & \{Q_a, \bar{Q}_b\} &= \delta_{ab}D + \epsilon_{ab}R, \\ [R, Q_a] &= -3i\epsilon_{ab}Q_b, & [R, \bar{Q}_a] &= -3i\epsilon_{ab}\bar{Q}_b, & & \end{aligned}$$

with the antisymmetric tensor  $\epsilon_{ab}$  normalized so that  $\epsilon_{12} = 1$ .

## Deformed oscillator:

By setting

$$H_{osc} = H + K,$$

we obtain the  $4 \times 4$  matrix deformed oscillator Hamiltonian  $H_{osc}$  whose spectrum is discrete and bounded from below.

By construction, the  $sl(2|1)$  dynamical symmetry of the  $H$  Hamiltonian acts as a spectrum-generating superalgebra for the  $H_{osc}$  Hamiltonian.

The explicit expression is

$$H_{osc} = -\frac{1}{2}\nabla^2 \cdot \mathbb{I}_4 + \frac{1}{2r^2}(\beta^2 \cdot \mathbb{I}_4 + \beta N_F(1 + 4 \cdot \mathbb{I}_2 \otimes \vec{\mathbf{S}} \cdot \vec{\mathbf{L}})) + \frac{1}{2}r^2 \cdot \mathbb{I}_4.$$



# Appearance of two-component spherical harmonics:

$$j = l + \delta \frac{1}{2}, \quad \text{for } \delta = \pm 1.$$

In the given  $j, l$  sector we get

$$\vec{\mathbf{L}} \cdot \vec{\mathbf{S}} = \frac{1}{2}\alpha, \quad \text{with } \alpha = \delta(j + \frac{1}{2}) - 1.$$

The energy eigenstates of the system are described with the help of the two-component  $\mathcal{Y}_{j,l,m}(\theta, \phi)$  spin spherical harmonics given by

$$\mathcal{Y}_{j,j-\frac{1}{2}\delta,m}(\theta, \phi) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2j-\delta+1}} \begin{pmatrix} \delta \sqrt{j + \frac{1}{2}(1-\delta) + \delta m} Y_{j-\frac{1}{2}\delta}^{m-\frac{1}{2}}(\theta, \phi) \\ \sqrt{j + \frac{1}{2}(1-\delta) - \delta m} Y_{j-\frac{1}{2}\delta}^{m+\frac{1}{2}}(\theta, \phi) \end{pmatrix},$$

where  $Y_l^n(\theta, \phi)$  (for  $n = -l, -l+1, \dots, l$ ) are the ordinary spherical harmonics.

The spin spherical harmonics  $\mathcal{Y}_{j,j-\frac{1}{2}\delta,m}(\theta, \phi)$  are the eigenstates for the compatible observable operators  $\vec{\mathbf{J}} \cdot \vec{\mathbf{J}}, \vec{\mathbf{L}} \cdot \vec{\mathbf{L}}, J_z$ , with eigenvalues  $j(j+1), (j - \frac{1}{2}\delta)(j - \frac{1}{2}\delta + 1), m$ , respectively.

# Creation (annihilation) operators:

$$a_b = Q_b + i\bar{Q}_b, \quad a_b^\dagger = Q_b - i\bar{Q}_b.$$

Indeed, we obtain

$$H_{osc} = \frac{1}{2}\{a_1, a_1^\dagger\} = \frac{1}{2}\{a_2, a_2^\dagger\},$$

together with

$$[H_{osc}, a_b] = -a_b, \quad [H_{osc}, a_b^\dagger] = a_b^\dagger.$$

For completeness we also present the commutators

$$[a_1, a_1^\dagger] = [a_2, a_2^\dagger] = 3 \cdot \mathbb{I}_4 + 4 \cdot \mathbb{I}_2 \otimes \vec{\mathbf{S}} \cdot \vec{\mathbf{L}} - 2\beta N_F.$$

$$a_b^\pm = \frac{\not{r}}{r\sqrt{2}}\gamma_b(\mathbb{I}_4 \cdot (\partial_r \mp r) - \frac{2}{r}\mathbb{I}_2 \otimes \vec{\mathbf{S}} \cdot \vec{\mathbf{L}} - \frac{\beta}{r}N_F).$$

They can be factorized as

$$a_b^\pm = \frac{\not{r}}{r\sqrt{2}}\gamma_b a^\pm, \quad \text{with} \quad a^\pm = (\mathbb{I}_4 \cdot (\partial_r \mp r) - \frac{2}{r}\mathbb{I}_2 \otimes \vec{\mathbf{S}} \cdot \vec{\mathbf{L}} - \frac{\beta}{r}N_F).$$

## Lowest weight vectors:

A lowest weight state  $\Psi_{lws}$  is defined to satisfy

$$a_b^- \Psi_{lws} = 0.$$

Due to the factorization, in both  $b = 1, 2$  cases, this is tantamount to satisfy  $a^- \Psi_{lws} = 0$ .

The vectors  $a_1^+ v$  and  $a_2^+ v$ , with  $v$  belonging to the lowest weight representation, differ by a phase.

Therefore, the action of  $a_1^+$ ,  $a_2^+$  produces the same ray vector characterizing a physical state of the Hilbert space.

We search for solutions  $\Psi_{j,\delta,m}^\epsilon(r, \theta, \phi)$  of the form

$$\Psi_{j,\delta,m}^\epsilon(r, \theta, \phi) = f_{j,\delta}^\epsilon(r) \cdot e_\epsilon \otimes \mathcal{Y}_{j,j-\frac{1}{2}\delta,m}(\theta, \phi), \quad \text{with } \epsilon = \pm 1.$$

The sign of  $\epsilon$  (no summation over this repeated index) refers to the bosonic (fermionic) states with respective eigenvalues  $\epsilon = +1$  ( $\epsilon = -1$ ) of the Fermion Parity Operator  $N_F$ ; we have  $e_{+1} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$  and  $e_{-1} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$ .

## Solutions:

Solutions are obtained for

$$f_{j,\delta}^\epsilon(r) = r^{\gamma(j,\delta,\epsilon)} e^{-\frac{1}{2}r^2},$$

where

$$\gamma(j,\delta,\epsilon)(\beta) = \alpha + \beta\epsilon = \delta(j + \frac{1}{2}) + \beta\epsilon - 1.$$

The corresponding lowest weight state energy eigenvalue  $E_{j,\delta,\epsilon}(\beta)$  from

$$H_{osc}(\beta)\Psi_{j,\delta,m}^\epsilon(r, \theta, \phi) = E_{j,\delta,\epsilon}(\beta)\Psi_{j,\delta,m}^\epsilon(r, \theta, \phi)$$

is

$$E_{j,\delta,\epsilon}(\beta) = \delta(j + \frac{1}{2}) + \beta\epsilon + \frac{1}{2}.$$

Since  $E_{j,\delta,\epsilon}(\beta)$  does not depend on the quantum number  $m$ , this energy eigenvalue is  $(2j + 1)$  times degenerate.

## Alternative Hilbert spaces

Without loss of generality we can restrict the real parameter  $\beta$  to belong to the half-line  $\beta \geq 0$  since the mapping  $\beta \leftrightarrow -\beta$  is recovered by a similarity transformation which exchanges bosons into fermions:

$$SH_{osc}(\beta)S^{-1} = H_{osc}(-\beta) \quad \text{with} \quad S = \sigma_1 \otimes \mathbb{I}_2.$$

To the following  $j, \delta, \epsilon, m$  quantum numbers,

$$j \in \frac{1}{2} + \mathbb{N}_0, \quad \delta = \pm 1, \quad \epsilon = \pm 1, \quad m = -j, -j + 1, \dots, j,$$

is associated an  $sl(2|1)$  lowest weight vector and its induced rep.

Two choices to select the Hilbert space naturally appear:

- case *i*: the wave functions can be singular at the origin, but they need to be normalized,
- case *ii*: the wave functions are assumed to be regular at the origin.

Case *i* corresponds in restricting the admissible lowest weight representations to those satisfying the necessary and sufficient condition

$$2\gamma_{(j,\delta,\epsilon)}(\beta) + 3 > 0.$$

The normalizability condition is equivalent to the requirement

$$E_{j,\delta,\epsilon}(\beta) > 0$$

for the lowest weight energy  $E_{j,\delta,\epsilon}(\beta)$ .

Case *ii* corresponds in restricting the admissible lowest weight representations to those satisfying the condition

$$\gamma_{(j,\delta,\epsilon)}(\beta) \geq 0 \quad \text{for } \beta \geq 0.$$

The single-valuedness of the wave functions at the origin implies that  $\gamma_{(j,\delta,\epsilon)}(\beta) = 0$  can only be realized with vanishing ( $l = 0$ ) orbital angular momentum. At  $\beta = 0$  one recovers the vacuum state of the undeformed oscillator.

For the deformed  $\beta > 0$  oscillator the strict inequality follows

$$\gamma_{(j,\delta,\epsilon)}(\beta) > 0 \quad \text{for } \beta > 0$$

Table (up to  $j = \frac{5}{2}$ ) of the  $\beta$  range of admissible lowest weight representations under *norm* (case *i*) and *reg* (case *ii*) conditions:

$j$	$\delta$	$\epsilon$	$\gamma$	$E$	<i>norm</i>	<i>reg</i>
$\frac{1}{2}$	+	+	$\beta$	$\frac{3}{2} + \beta$	$\beta \geq 0$	$\beta \geq 0$
$\frac{1}{2}$	+	-	$-\beta$	$\frac{3}{2} - \beta$	$0 \leq \beta < \frac{3}{2}$	$\beta = 0$
$\frac{1}{2}$	-	+	$\beta - 2$	$-\frac{1}{2} + \beta$	$\beta > \frac{1}{2}$	$\beta > 2$
$\frac{1}{2}$	-	-	$-\beta - 2$	$-\frac{1}{2} - \beta$	$\times$	$\times$
$\frac{3}{2}$	+	+	$\beta + 1$	$\frac{5}{2} + \beta$	$\beta \geq 0$	$\beta \geq 0$
$\frac{3}{2}$	+	-	$-\beta + 1$	$\frac{5}{2} - \beta$	$0 \leq \beta < \frac{5}{2}$	$0 \leq \beta < 1$
$\frac{3}{2}$	-	+	$\beta - 3$	$-\frac{3}{2} + \beta$	$\beta > \frac{3}{2}$	$\beta > 3$
$\frac{3}{2}$	-	-	$-\beta - 3$	$-\frac{3}{2} - \beta$	$\times$	$\times$
$\frac{5}{2}$	+	+	$\beta + 2$	$\frac{7}{2} + \beta$	$\beta \geq 0$	$\beta \geq 0$
$\frac{5}{2}$	+	-	$-\beta + 2$	$\frac{7}{2} - \beta$	$0 \leq \beta < \frac{7}{2}$	$0 \leq \beta < 2$
$\frac{5}{2}$	-	+	$\beta - 4$	$-\frac{5}{2} + \beta$	$\beta > \frac{5}{2}$	$\beta > 4$
$\frac{5}{2}$	-	-	$-\beta - 4$	$-\frac{5}{2} - \beta$	$\times$	$\times$

For the  $\beta > 0$  deformed oscillators, the Hilbert spaces  $\mathcal{H}_{norm}$  and  $\mathcal{H}_{reg}$  are direct sums of the lowest weight representations with  $j \in \frac{1}{2} + \mathbb{N}_0$  satisfying (depending on  $\delta, \epsilon$ )

		$\mathcal{H}_{norm} :$	$\mathcal{H}_{reg} :$
$\delta = +1$	$\epsilon = +1$	any $j$	any $j$
$\delta = +1$	$\epsilon = -1$	$j > \beta - 1$	$j > \beta + \frac{1}{2}$
$\delta = -1$	$\epsilon = +1$	$j < \beta$	$j < \beta - \frac{3}{2}$
$\delta = -1$	$\epsilon = -1$	no $j$	no $j$



## Spectrum (Hilbert space $\mathcal{H}_{norm}$ )

For  $\beta \geq \frac{1}{2}$  it is convenient to introduce, via the floor function, the parameter  $\mu$ , defined as

$$\mu = \{\beta - \frac{1}{2}\} = (\beta - \frac{1}{2}) - \lfloor \beta - \frac{1}{2} \rfloor, \quad p = \lfloor \beta - \frac{1}{2} \rfloor,$$

so that  $\mu \in [0, 1[$ ,  $p \in \mathbb{N}_0$  and  $\beta = \frac{1}{2} + \mu + p$ .

The results for the spectrum split into six different cases which have to be separately analyzed:

- **case I:**  $\beta = 0$  (the undeformed oscillator),
- **case II:**  $\beta = 1 + p$ , with  $p \in \mathbb{N}_0$  ( $p = 0, 1, 2, \dots$ ),
- **case III:**  $\beta = \frac{1}{2} + p$ , with  $p \in \mathbb{N}_0$ ,
- **case IV:**  $0 < \beta < \frac{1}{2}$ ,
- **case V:**  $0 < \mu < \frac{1}{2}$ , therefore  $\beta = \frac{1}{2} + \mu + p$ , with  $p \in \mathbb{N}_0$ ,
- **case VI:**  $\frac{1}{2} < \mu < 1$ , therefore  $\beta = \frac{1}{2} + \mu + p$ , with  $p \in \mathbb{N}_0$ .

The energy eigenvalues corresponding to the above cases are

- **case I:**  $E_n = \frac{3}{2} + n$ , where  $n \in \mathbb{N}_0$  is a non-negative integer.

The vacuum energy is  $E_{vac} = \frac{3}{2}$ ; the ground state is four times degenerated, with two bosonic and two fermionic eigenstates (hence “ $2_B + 2_F$ ”).

The vacuum lowest weight vectors are specified by the quantum numbers  $j = \frac{1}{2}$ ,  $\delta = +1$ ,  $\epsilon = \pm 1$  and (here and in the following) all compatible values  $m = -j, \dots, j$ .

- **case II:**  $E_n = \frac{1}{2} + n$ , with  $n \in \mathbb{N}_0$ .

The vacuum energy is  $E_{vac} = \frac{1}{2}$ ; the degeneration of the ground state is  $2(p+1)$ , with  $p+1$  bosonic and  $p+1$  fermionic eigenstates, and is therefore denoted as “ $(p+1)_B + (p+1)_F$ ”.

The vacuum lowest weight vectors are specified by  $j = \frac{1}{2} + p$ , with either  $\delta = +1$ ,  $\epsilon = -1$  or  $\delta = -1$ ,  $\epsilon = +1$ .

- **case III:**  $E_n = 1 + n$ , with  $n \in \mathbb{N}_0$ .

The vacuum energy is  $E_{vac} = \frac{1}{2}$ ; the degeneration of the ground state is  $4p+2$ , with  $2p$  bosonic and  $2(p+1)$  fermionic eigenstates, and is therefore denoted as “ $(2p)_B + (2p+2)_F$ ”.

For  $p = 0$  the two vacuum lowest vectors are specified by  $j = \frac{1}{2}$ ,  $\delta = +1$ ,  $\epsilon = -1$ .

For  $p > 0$  the vacuum lowest vectors are specified either by  $j = \frac{1}{2} + p$ ,  $\delta = +1$ ,  $\epsilon = -1$  or by  $j = p - \frac{1}{2}$ ,  $\delta = -1$ ,  $\epsilon = +1$ .

- **case IV:** two series of energy eigenvalues  $E_n^\pm = \frac{3}{2} \pm \beta + n$ , with  $n \in \mathbb{N}_0$ , are encountered.

The vacuum energy is  $E_{vac} = \frac{3}{2} - \beta$ ; the ground state is fermionic and doubly degenerated (“ $2_F$ ”).

The two vacuum lowest weight vectors are specified by  $j = \frac{1}{2}$ ,  $\delta = +1$ ,  $\epsilon = -1$ .

- **case V:** two series of energy eigenvalues  $E_n^- = \mu + n$ ,  $E_n^+ = 1 - \mu + n$ , with  $n \in \mathbb{N}_0$ , are encountered.

The vacuum energy is  $E_{vac} = \mu$ ; the ground state is bosonic and  $(2p + 2)$ -times degenerated (hence “ $(2p + 2)_B$ ”).

The vacuum lowest weight vectors are specified by  $j = \frac{1}{2} + p$ ,  $\delta = -1$ ,  $\epsilon = +1$ .

- **case VI:** two series of energy eigenvalues  $E_n^- = 1 - \mu + n$ ,  $E_n^+ = \mu + n$ , with  $n \in \mathbb{N}_0$ , are encountered.

The vacuum energy is  $E_{vac} = 1 - \mu$ ; the ground state is fermionic and  $(2p + 2)$ -times degenerated (hence “ $(2p + 2)_F$ ”).

The vacuum lowest weight vectors are specified by  $j = \frac{1}{2} + p$ ,  $\delta = +1$ ,  $\epsilon = -1$ .

Important remark. The energy spectrum of the **V** and **VI** cases coincides under a

$$\mu \leftrightarrow 1 - \mu, \quad \text{with } \mu \neq 0, \frac{1}{2},$$

duality transformation.

Under this duality transformation the parity (bosonic/fermionic) of the ground state is exchanged. On the other hand, the degeneracies of the energy eigenvalues above the ground state are not respected by the duality transformation.

Example:  $\mu = \frac{1}{4}$  with  $p = 0$  (dually related  $\beta = \frac{3}{4}$  and  $\beta = \frac{5}{4}$  cases).

The lww's appearing in the first five energy levels are

$E$	$\beta = \frac{3}{4}$	$\beta = \frac{5}{4}$
$\frac{9}{4}$	$\frac{1}{2} + B$	$\frac{5}{2} + F$
$\frac{7}{4}$	$\frac{3}{2} + F$	$\times$
$\frac{5}{4}$	$\times$	$\frac{3}{2} + F$
$\frac{3}{4}$	$\frac{1}{2} + F$	$\frac{1}{2} - B$
$\frac{1}{4}$	$\frac{1}{2} - B$	$\frac{1}{2} + F$

## Computation of degeneracies:

The degeneracy of each energy level is finite and can be computed recursively.. Let  $n(E)$  be the total number of distinct, admissible, lvv's in the Hilbert space and let  $d(E)$  be the number of degenerate eigenstates at energy level  $E$ . At energy level  $E + 1$  we have

$$d(E + 1) = d(E) + n(E + 1).$$

The  $d(E)$  term in the r.h.s. gives the number of descendant states obtained by applying  $a_1^\dagger$  to the degenerate states at energy  $E$ , while the  $n(E + 1)$  term corresponds to the number of

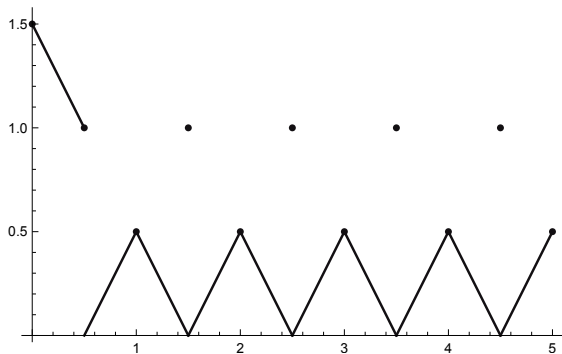
For the case above:

$E$	$d_{\beta=\frac{3}{4}}(E)$	$d_{\beta=\frac{5}{4}}(E)$
$\frac{9}{4}$	4	12
$\frac{7}{4}$	6	2
$\frac{5}{4}$	2	6
$\frac{3}{4}$	2	2
$\frac{1}{4}$	2	2

One can see that  $\frac{5}{4}$  is the first energy level where an inequality of the degeneracies is produced

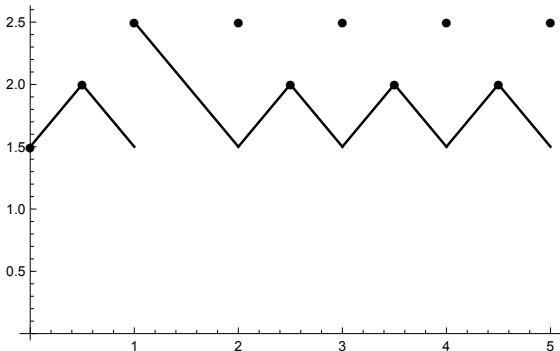
$$d_{\beta=\frac{3}{4}}\left(\frac{5}{4}\right) \neq d_{\beta=\frac{5}{4}}\left(\frac{5}{4}\right).$$

# Vacuum Energy (Hilbert space I):



The vacuum energy  $E_{vac}(\beta)$  of the model is portrayed in the y axis, with  $\beta$  up to  $\beta \leq 5$  depicted in the x axis. This diagram refers to the Hilbert space admitting singular, but normalized wave functions at the origin. Starting from  $\beta > \frac{1}{2}$ , the graph is composed by a triangle wave of half-open line segments plus isolated points at  $\beta = \frac{1}{2} + \mathbb{N}$ .

## Vacuum Energy (Hilbert space II):



The vacuum energy  $E_{vac}(\beta)$  of the model is portrayed in the  $y$  axis, with  $\beta$  up to  $\beta \leq 5$  depicted in the  $x$  axis. This diagram refers to the Hilbert space satisfying the condition that its wave functions are regular at the origin. For  $\beta > 0$ , the vacuum energy is always comprised in the interval  $\frac{3}{2} < E_{vac}(\beta) \leq \frac{5}{2}$ .



## Degeneracy of the eigenstates:

At  $\beta = 0$   $H_{osc}$  corresponds to four copies of the ordinary isotropic three-dimensional oscillator. Its degeneracy  $d_{\beta=0}(n)$  is

$$d_{\beta=0}(n) = 4 \cdot d(n), \quad \text{with} \quad d(n) = \frac{1}{2}(n^2 + 3n + 2).$$

Degeneracies for  $\beta = \frac{1}{2} + \mathbb{N}_0$  and  $\beta = 1 + \mathbb{N}_0$  with  $\mathcal{H}_{norm}$  Hilbert space:

**Case a:**  $\beta = \frac{1}{2} + p$  (energy levels  $E_n = n + 1$ ) with  $p, n \in \mathbb{N}_0$ .

The degeneracy  $d_{\beta=\frac{1}{2}+p}(E_n)$  grows linearly (mimicking a two-dimensional oscillator) up to  $n = p$ ; it then grows quadratically starting from  $n = p + 1$ :

$$d_{\beta=\frac{1}{2}+p}(E_n) = 2(n+1)(2p+1) \text{ for } n = 0, 1, 2, \dots, p,$$

$$d_{\beta=\frac{1}{2}+p}(E_n) = 2 \cdot (q^2 + 2(p+1)q + (p+1)(2p+1)) \text{ for } n = p + q \text{ with } q = 0, 1, 2, \dots$$

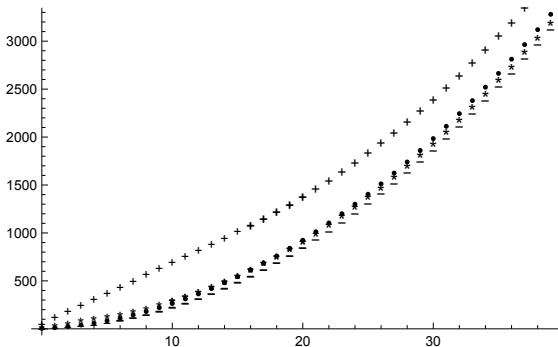
**Case b:**  $\beta = 1 + p$  (energy levels  $E_n = n + \frac{1}{2}$ ) with  $p, n \in \mathbb{N}_0$ .

As in the previous case, the degeneracy  $d_{\beta=1+p}(E_n)$  grows linearly (mimicking a two-dimensional oscillator) up to  $n = p$ ; it then grows quadratically starting from  $n = p + 1$ :

$$d_{\beta=1+p}(E_n) = 4(n+1)(p+1) \quad \text{for } n = 0, 1, 2, \dots, p,$$

$$d_{\beta=1+p}(E_n) = 2 \cdot (q^2 + (2p+1)q + 2(p+1)^2) \quad \text{for } n = p+q \quad \text{with } q = 0, 1, 2, \dots$$

## Energy degeneracy at various $\beta$ :



Energy degeneracy ( $y$  axis) for the  $\mathcal{H}_{norm}$  Hilbert space at the integer values  $\beta = 0, 2, 6, 16$ . In the  $x$  axis are reported the 40 lowest energy eigenvalues. The “●” bullet denotes the  $\beta = 0$  undeformed oscillator, while “-”, “\*” and “+” stand, respectively, for the  $\beta = 2, 6, 16$ , cases. One can note the “bending” of the  $\beta = 16$  curve around energy  $E = 16$ .

# Orthonormal eigenstates

The excited eigenstates  $(a_1^+)^k \Psi_{j,\delta,m}^\epsilon(r, \theta, \phi)$ , obtained by applying  $k$  times the  $a_1^+$  creation operator (1), are orthogonal.

The computation of their normalization factors which make the wave functions orthonormal involves the computation of Rodrigues-type formulas for recursive polynomials in the radial coordinate  $r$ . These recursive polynomials can be recovered from the associated Laguerre's polynomials.

$$a_1^+ = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \gamma_1 \frac{\not{r}}{r} (\mathbb{I}_4 \cdot (\partial_r - r) - \frac{2}{r} \mathbb{I}_2 \otimes \vec{S} \cdot \vec{L} - \frac{\beta}{r} N_F)$$

$$\Psi_{j,\delta,m}^\epsilon(r, \theta, \phi) = e_\epsilon \otimes \mathcal{Y}_{j,j-\frac{1}{2}\delta,m}(\theta, \phi) \cdot r^{\beta\epsilon + \delta j + \frac{1}{2}\delta - 1} e^{-\frac{1}{2}r^2}.$$

The action of  $\frac{\not{r}}{r}$  can be read from

$$\frac{\vec{r} \cdot \vec{\sigma}}{r} \mathcal{Y}_{j,j-\frac{1}{2}\delta,m}(\theta, \phi) = -\mathcal{Y}_{j,j+\frac{1}{2}\delta,m}(\theta, \phi)$$

Even and odd excited states are

$$\begin{aligned}(a_1^+)^{2k} \Psi_{j,\delta,m}^\epsilon(r, \theta, \phi) &= e_\epsilon \otimes \mathcal{Y}_{j,j-\frac{1}{2}\delta,m}(\theta, \phi) \cdot (-2)^k p_{2k,j}^{\epsilon,\delta,\beta}(r) r^{\epsilon\beta+\delta j+\frac{1}{2}\delta-1} e^{-\frac{1}{2}r^2}, \\(a_1^+)^{2k+1} \Psi_{j,\delta,m}^\epsilon(r, \theta, \phi) &= i\sqrt{2}e_{-\epsilon} \otimes \mathcal{Y}_{j,j+\frac{1}{2}\delta,m}(\theta, \phi) \cdot (-2)^k p_{2k+1,j}^{\epsilon,\delta,\beta}(r) r^{\epsilon\beta+\delta j+\frac{1}{2}\delta-1} e^{-\frac{1}{2}r^2},\end{aligned}$$

where  $p_{2k,j}^{\epsilon,\delta,\beta}(r)$  and  $p_{2k+1,j}^{\epsilon,\delta,\beta}(r)$  are  $r$ -dependent polynomials recursively determined by the Rodrigues-type formulas

$$\begin{aligned}p_{2k,j}^{\epsilon,\delta,\beta}(r) &= \frac{1}{2^{2k}} \begin{pmatrix} r^{-\bar{\gamma}} e^{\frac{r^2}{2}} & 0 \\ \partial_r - r - \frac{\bar{\gamma}}{r} & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 0 & \partial_r - r + \frac{\bar{\gamma}+2}{r} \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}^{2k} \begin{pmatrix} r\bar{\gamma} e^{-\frac{r^2}{2}} \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \\p_{2k+1,j}^{\epsilon,\delta,\beta}(r) &= \frac{1}{2^{2k+1}} \begin{pmatrix} r^{-\bar{\gamma}} e^{\frac{r^2}{2}} & 0 \\ \partial_r - r - \frac{\bar{\gamma}}{r} & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 0 & \partial_r - r + \frac{\bar{\gamma}+2}{r} \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}^{2k+1} \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ r\bar{\gamma} e^{-\frac{r^2}{2}} \end{pmatrix},\end{aligned}$$

where

$$\bar{\gamma} \equiv \gamma_{(j,\delta,\epsilon)}(\beta) = \epsilon\beta + \delta j + \frac{1}{2}\delta - 1.$$

It follows in particular, from  $p_{0,j}^{\epsilon,\delta,\beta}(r) = 1$ , that

$$p_{2,j}^{\epsilon,\delta,\beta}(r) = r^2 - \bar{\gamma} - \frac{3}{2}.$$

and so on.

The associated Laguerre polynomials  $L_k^{(\gamma)}(x)$  are introduced through the position

$$L_k^{(\gamma)}(x) = \frac{x^{-\gamma} e^x}{k!} \left( \frac{d}{dx} \right)^k x^{\gamma+k} e^{-x}.$$

They satisfy the identities

$$\begin{aligned} L_k^{(\gamma)}(x) &= L_k^{(\gamma+1)}(x) - L_{k-1}^{(\gamma+1)}(x), \\ x L_{k-1}^{(\gamma+1)}(x) &= (\gamma + k) L_{k-1}^{(\gamma)}(x) - k L_k^{(\gamma)}(x). \end{aligned}$$

Since

$$L_1^{(\gamma)}(x) = -x + \gamma - 1,$$

by setting

$$x = r^2, \quad \gamma = \bar{\gamma} + \frac{1}{2},$$

we can identify

$$p_{2,j}^{\epsilon, \delta, \beta}(r) = -L_1^{(\bar{\gamma} + \frac{1}{2})}(r^2).$$

By assuming the Ansatz

$$p_{2k,j}^{\epsilon,\delta,\beta}(r) = C_k L_k^{(\bar{\gamma} + \frac{1}{2})}(r^2),$$

via induction one proves that

$$C_k = (-1)^k k!$$

The  $p_{2k,j}^{\epsilon,\delta,\beta}(r)$  even and  $p_{2k+1,j}^{\epsilon,\delta,\beta}(r)$  odd polynomials are expressed, in terms of the associated Laguerre polynomials, as

$$p_{2k,j}^{\epsilon,\delta,\beta}(r) = (-1)^k k! L_k^{(\bar{\gamma} + \frac{1}{2})}(r^2),$$

$$p_{2k+1,j}^{\epsilon,\delta,\beta}(r) = (-1)^{k+1} k! r L_k^{(\bar{\gamma} + \frac{3}{2})}(r^2).$$

The normalizing factors are recovered from the orthogonal relations for the associated Laguerre polynomials, given by

$$\int_0^{+\infty} dx x^\gamma e^{-x} L_n^{(\gamma)}(x) L_m^{(\gamma)}(x) = \frac{\Gamma(n + \gamma + 1)}{n!} \delta_{nm}.$$

## Final results (orthonormal wave functions):

$$\Psi_{N,2k,j,\delta,m}^{\epsilon}(r, \theta, \phi) = e_{\epsilon} \otimes \mathcal{Y}_{j,j-\frac{1}{2}\delta,m}(\theta, \phi) \cdot M_{2k}^{\bar{\gamma}} L_k^{(\bar{\gamma}+\frac{1}{2})}(r^2) \cdot r^{\bar{\gamma}} e^{-\frac{r^2}{2}}$$

with

$$M_{2k}^{\bar{\gamma}} = \sqrt{\frac{(k!) \cdot 2}{\Gamma(k + \bar{\gamma} + \frac{3}{2})}}$$

and

$$\Psi_{N,2k+1,j,\delta,m}^{\epsilon}(r, \theta, \phi) = e_{-\epsilon} \otimes \mathcal{Y}_{j,j+\frac{1}{2}\delta,m}(\theta, \phi) \cdot M_{2k+1}^{\bar{\gamma}} L_k^{(\bar{\gamma}+\frac{3}{2})}(r^2) \cdot r^{\bar{\gamma}+1} e^{-\frac{r^2}{2}}$$

with

$$M_{2k+1}^{\bar{\gamma}} = \sqrt{\frac{(k!) \cdot 2}{\Gamma(k + \bar{\gamma} + \frac{5}{2})}}.$$



# Dimensional reductions:

The  $3D \rightarrow 2D$  case

Restrictions:

$$\not\partial = h_1 \partial_1 + h_2 \partial_2, \quad \not{t} = x_1 h_1 + x_2 h_2, \quad r = \sqrt{x_1^2 + x_2^2}$$

The  $\vec{\mathbf{S}} \cdot \vec{\mathbf{L}}$  operator entering the Hamiltonians is now given by  $S_3 L_3$  and is diagonal.

The resulting Hamiltonian  $H_{2D,osc}$  corresponds to two copies of the two-dimensional  $2 \times 2$  matrix Hamiltonians derived from the quantization of the  $sl(2|1)$  worldline sigma-model with two propagating bosonic and two propagating fermionic fields:

$$H_{2D,osc} = -\frac{1}{2}(\partial_{x_1}^2 + \partial_{x_2}^2) \cdot \mathbb{I}_4 + \frac{1}{2r^2}(\beta^2 \mathbb{I}_4 + \beta N_F(1 + 2 \cdot \mathbb{I}_2 \otimes \sigma_3 L_3)) + \frac{1}{2}r^2 \mathbb{I}_4.$$

## The $3D \rightarrow 1D$ case

Restrictions:

$$\not\partial = h_3 \partial_3, \quad \not{t} = x_3 h_3, \quad r = \sqrt{x_3^2}.$$

The resulting  $H_{1D,osc}$  deformed oscillator is (we set  $x = x_3$ )

$$H_{1D,osc} = -\frac{1}{2} \partial_x^2 \cdot \mathbb{I}_4 + \frac{1}{2x^2} (\beta^2 \cdot \mathbb{I}_4 + \beta N_F) + \frac{1}{2} x^2 \cdot \mathbb{I}_4,$$

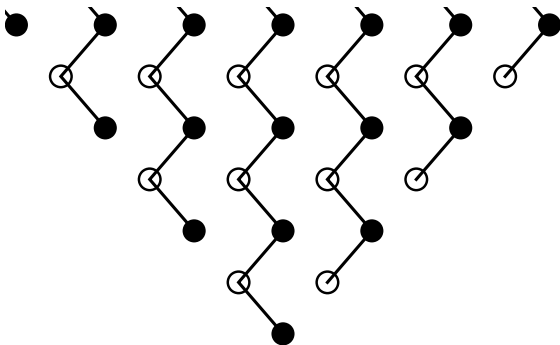
It coincides with the model derived from the quantization of the world-line sigma model induced by the  $(1, 4, 3)$  supermultiplet.

The  $H_{1D,osc}$  Hamiltonian possesses the larger  $D(2, 1; \alpha)$  spectrum-generating superalgebra, with  $\alpha = \beta - \frac{1}{2}$ .

The  $sl(2|1) \subset D(2, 1; \alpha)$  generators are sufficient to determine the ray vectors of the Hilbert space.

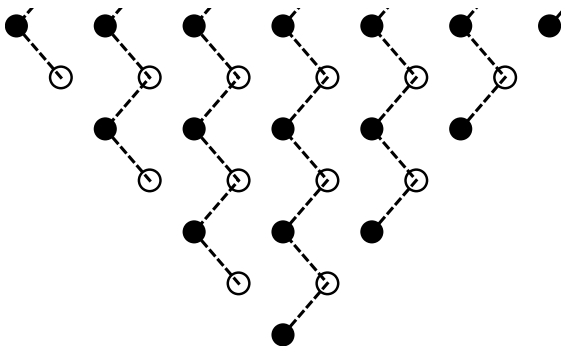
From the dimensional reduction viewpoint, the extra generators entering  $D(2, 1; \alpha)$  are associated with an emergent symmetry.

# Original spectrum-generating superalgebra:



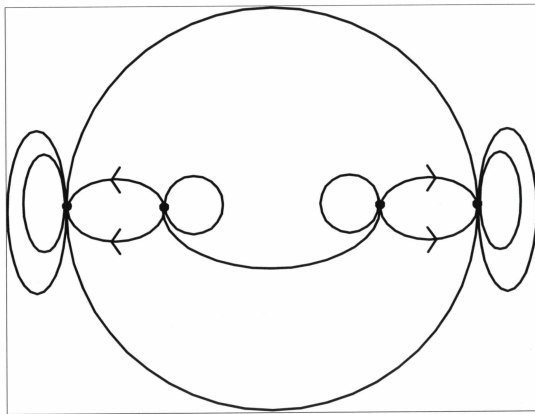
Superselected  $2D$  oscillator. The bosonic (fermionic) eigenstates are represented by black (white) dots. The  $y$  axis labels the energy eigenvalues, the  $x$  axis labels the  $so(2)$  spin components. The solid edges represent the action of the creation operator from the  $osp(1|2) \subset sl(2|1)$  subalgebra. Infinite  $osp(1|2)$  lwr's are required to produce the spectrum of the theory.

## Mirrored spectrum-generating superalgebra:



A mirror dual: the dashed edges represent the action of the creation operator from the  $osp(1|2)_C \subset sl(2|1)_C$  subalgebra, produced by a new set of “mirrored” operators. As before, infinite  $osp(1|2)_C$  lwr’s are required to produce the spectrum. On the other hand, any energy eigenstate can be obtained from the bosonic vacuum through a path combining both solid and dashed edges.

**Thanks a lot for the attention!**



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