

Double Copy in (A)dS

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Motivation

- Double copy reduces complicated calculations in gravity to simpler ones in gauge theory.
- Can this progress be extended to cosmology?
- What does this teach us about flat space amplitudes?
- New connections between AdS/CFT and flat space holography?

Overview

- review of flat space double copy
- self-dual AdS_4 gravity
- color/kinematics duality and $w_{1+\infty}$ in AdS_4
- review of cosmological correlators
- cosmo bootstrap
- 4-graviton wavefunction
- conclusion

AdS₄ metric

- Poincaré patch of Euclidean AdS₄ with unit radius:

$$ds_{\text{AdS}}^2 = \frac{dt^2 + dx^2 + dy^2 + dz^2}{z^2}$$

where $0 < z < \infty$

- Light cone coordinates:

$$\begin{aligned} u &= it + z, & v &= it - z \\ w &= x + iy, & \bar{w} &= x - iy, \end{aligned} \quad \longrightarrow \quad ds_{\text{AdS}}^2 = \frac{4(dw d\bar{w} - du dv)}{(u - v)^2}$$

- Wick rotation $z \rightarrow i\eta$ gives dS₄ metric. In practice we will Wick rotate conformal time integrals in dS₄ to AdS₄

Double Copy in Flat Space

- 3-point gluon amplitudes square into 3-point graviton amplitudes
- Color/kinematics duality can be used to extend double copy beyond three points. Take a 4-point gluon amplitude:

$$\mathcal{A}_4 = \frac{n_s c_s}{s} + \frac{n_t c_t}{t} + \frac{n_u c_u}{u}, \quad c_s + c_u + c_t = 0$$

numerators obey kinematic Jacobi: $n_s + n_t + n_u = 0$

- Squaring these numerators gives 4-point graviton amplitude:

$$\mathcal{M}_4 = \frac{n_s^2}{s} + \frac{n_t^2}{t} + \frac{n_u^2}{u}$$

(Bern, Carrasco, Johansson)

Self-dual sector

- SDYM: $F_{\mu\nu} = \frac{\sqrt{g}}{2} \epsilon_{\mu\nu\rho\lambda} F^{\rho\lambda}$, SDG: $R_{\mu\nu\rho\sigma} = \frac{1}{2} \sqrt{g} \epsilon_{\mu\nu}^{\eta\lambda} R_{\eta\lambda\rho\sigma}$

- SDYM in lightcone gauge ([Bardeen,Chalmers,Siegel](#)):

$$\square_{\mathbb{R}^4} \Phi - \frac{i}{2} [\{\Phi, \Phi\}] = 0, \quad \{f, g\} := \partial_w f \partial_u g - \partial_u f \partial_w g = \varepsilon^{\alpha\beta} \Pi_\alpha f \Pi_\beta g$$

- SDG in lightcone gauge ([Plebanski](#)):

$$\square_{\mathbb{R}^4} \phi - \{\{\phi, \phi\}\} = 0, \quad \{\{f, g\}\} = \frac{1}{2} \varepsilon^{\alpha\beta} \{\Pi_\alpha f, \Pi_\beta g\}, \quad \Pi_\alpha = (\Pi_v, \Pi_{\bar{w}}) = (\partial_w, \partial_u)$$

- Color/kinematics duality manifest ([Montiero,O'Connell](#))

SDG in AdS₄

- SDYM eom same as flat space (only knows about b.c.)

- SDG: $T_{\mu\nu\rho\sigma} = \frac{1}{2}\sqrt{g}\epsilon_{\mu\nu}{}^{\eta\lambda}T_{\eta\lambda\rho\sigma}$

where $T_{\mu\nu\rho\sigma} = R_{\mu\nu\rho\sigma} - \frac{1}{3}\Lambda(g_{\mu\rho}g_{\nu\sigma} - g_{\nu\rho}g_{\mu\sigma})$ (we will set $\Lambda = -3$)

- Contracting with inverse metric gives vacuum Einstein equation:

$$R_{\mu\rho} - \Lambda g_{\mu\rho} = \frac{1}{2}\sqrt{g}\epsilon_{\mu}{}^{\sigma\eta\lambda}R_{\eta\lambda\rho\sigma} = 0$$

Solution:

$$\frac{1}{u-v} \square_{\mathbb{R}^4} \left(\frac{\phi}{u-v} \right) - \left\{ \left\{ \frac{\phi}{u-v}, \frac{\phi}{u-v} \right\} \right\}_* = 0$$

where $\{\{f, g\}\}_* = \frac{1}{2} \varepsilon^{\alpha\beta} \{\Pi_\alpha f, \Pi_\beta g\}_*$

- Deformed Poisson bracket:

$$\{f, g\}_* = \frac{1}{2} \varepsilon^{\alpha\beta} (\Pi_\alpha f \tilde{\Pi}_\beta g - \Pi_\alpha g \tilde{\Pi}_\beta f) \quad \tilde{\Pi} = (\tilde{\Pi}_v, \tilde{\Pi}_{\bar{w}}) = \left(\partial_w, \partial_u - \frac{4}{u-v} \right)$$

- Solutions: $\phi = (u-v)e^{ik \cdot x}$

CK Duality for SDG in AdS₄

- Feynman rules: $V_{\text{SDYM}} = \frac{1}{2} X(k_1, k_2) f^{a_1 a_2 a_3},$
 $V_{\text{SDG}} = \frac{1}{2} X(k_1, k_2) \tilde{X}(k_1, k_2)$

where $X(k_1, k_2) = k_{1u}k_{2w} - k_{1w}k_{2u},$ $\tilde{X}(k_1, k_2) = X(k_1, k_2) - \frac{2i}{u-v} (k_1 - k_2)_w$

- Double copy: $f^{a_1 a_2 a_3} \rightarrow \tilde{X}(k_1, k_2)$
- Kinematic Jacobi: $0 = X(k_1, k_2) X(k_3, k_1 + k_2) + \text{cyclic}$
 $= \tilde{X}(k_1, k_2) \tilde{X}(k_3, k_1 + k_2) + \text{cyclic}$

w-infinity algebras in AdS₄

- Expand plane waves:
$$e^{ik \cdot x} = \sum_{a,b=0}^{\infty} \frac{(ik_u)^a (ik_w)^b}{a!b!} \epsilon_{ab}$$

where $\epsilon_{ab} = (u + \rho \bar{w})^a (w + \rho v)^b$ (Monteiro)

- Let $w_m^p = \frac{1}{2} \epsilon_{p-1+m, p-1-m}$. Then

$$\begin{aligned} \{w_m^p, w_n^q\} &= (n(p-1) - m(q-1)) w_{m+n}^{p+q-2}, \\ \{w_m^p, w_n^q\}_* &= \{w_m^p, w_n^q\} + \frac{(m+q-p-n)}{u-v} w_{m+n+1/2}^{p+q-3/2} \end{aligned}$$

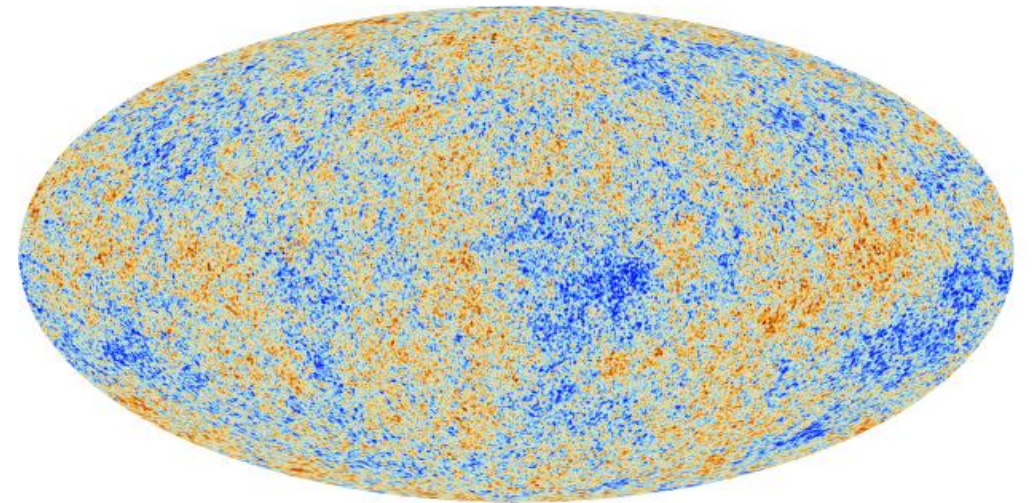
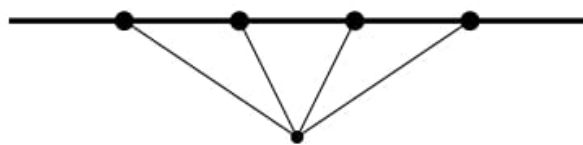
- First line is $w_{1+\infty}$ algebra, which plays an important role in flat space holography (Strominger). Second line contains a deformation

Cosmological Observables

- Inflation: early Universe approximately described by dS_4 . CMB comes from correlations on future boundary

$$ds^2 = \frac{-d\eta^2 + (dx^i)^2}{\eta^2}, \quad -\infty < \eta < 0$$

$\eta=0$



Cosmological Wavefunction

- In-in correlators (Maldacena, Weinberg):

$$\langle \phi(\vec{k}_1) \dots \phi(\vec{k}_n) \rangle = \frac{\int \mathcal{D}\phi \phi(\vec{k}_1) \dots \phi(\vec{k}_n) |\Psi[\phi]|^2}{\int \mathcal{D}\phi |\Psi[\phi]|^2}$$

- Wavefunction:

$$\ln \Psi[\phi] = - \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n!} \int \prod_{i=1}^n \frac{d^d k_i}{(2\pi)^d} \psi_n(\vec{k}_1, \dots, \vec{k}_n) \phi(\vec{k}_1) \dots \phi(\vec{k}_n)$$

- ψ_n can be treated like CFT correlator in the future boundary and computed from Witten diagrams (Maldacena, Pimentel, McFadden, Skenderis)

Graviton Wavefunction

- Tree-level wavefunction for 4 gravitons recently computed by [\(Bonifacio, Goodhew, Joyce, Pajer, Stefanyszyn\)](#)
- Bootstrapped using flat space limit ([Maldacena, Pimentel, Raju](#)), Cosmological Optical Theorem ([Goodhew, Jazayeri, Melville, Pajer](#)) and Manifestly Local Test ([Jazayeri, Pajer, Stefanyszyn](#))
- De Sitter Feynman diagrams give hundreds of thousands of terms but result of bootstrap is only about a page long.
- Combining bootstrap with double copy reduces it down to only a few lines!

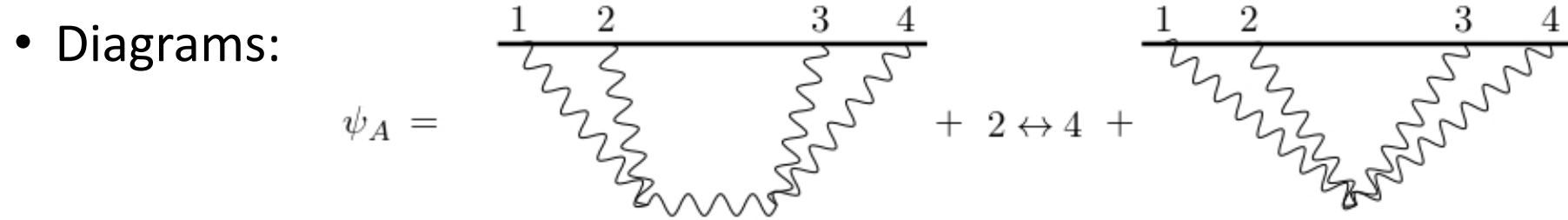
Cosmo Bootstrap

- Flat space limit: $\lim_{E \rightarrow 0} \psi_4^\gamma \propto \frac{k_1 k_2 k_3 k_4}{E^3} \mathcal{M}_4, E = k_1 + k_2 + k_3 + k_4, k_a = |\vec{k}_a|$
- COT: $\tilde{\psi}_4(k_1, k_2, k_3, k_4, k_s) + \tilde{\psi}_4^*(-k_1, -k_2, -k_3, -k_4, k_s) =$
 $\frac{1}{k_s^3} \left[\tilde{\psi}_3(k_1, k_2, k_s) - \tilde{\psi}_3(k_1, k_2, -k_s) \right] \left[\tilde{\psi}_3(k_3, k_4, k_s) - \tilde{\psi}_3(k_3, k_4, -k_s) \right]$

where $k_s = |\vec{k}_1 + \vec{k}_2|$ and $\tilde{\psi}_n$ is “trimmed” wavefunction

- MLT: $\lim_{k_1 \rightarrow 0} \partial_{k_1} \tilde{\psi}_4(k_1, k_2, k_3, k_4, k_s) = 0$

Gluon Wavefunction



(axial gauge Feynman rules obtained by [Liu, Tseytlin, Raju](#))

- s-channel wavefunction:

$$\psi_A^{(s)} = \int \frac{d\omega \omega}{k_s^2 + \omega^2} dz dz' (KKJ)_{12}^{1/2}(z) (KKJ)_{34}^{1/2}(z') N_s$$

where $N_s = V_{12}^i H_{ij} V_{34}^j + V_c^s (\omega^2 + k_s^2)$

$$(KKJ)_{ab}^\nu = \frac{2}{\pi} (k_a k_b z)^\nu z K_\nu(k_a z) K_\nu(k_b z) J_\nu(\omega z)$$

Double copy ansatz

- Ansatz:
$$\psi_{\gamma, \text{DC}}^{(s)} = \int \frac{d\omega \omega}{k_s^2 + \omega^2} dz dz' (KKJ)_{12}^{3/2}(z) (KKJ)_{34}^{3/2}(z')$$

$$\times \left(N_s^2 - \frac{1}{2} \tilde{V}_{12}^{ij} H_{ij} \tilde{V}_{34}^{kl} H_{kl} + \frac{1}{2} (\epsilon_1 \cdot \epsilon_2)^2 (\epsilon_3 \cdot \epsilon_4)^2 (\omega^2 + k_s^2)^2 \right)$$

where $\tilde{V}_{ab}^{ij} = V_{ab}^i V_{ab}^j$

- Satisfies flat space limit, COT, and MLT

- Can be written in terms of deformed numerators: $N_s^\gamma = \frac{1}{2} (N_{12}^- N_{34}^+ + N_{12}^+ N_{34}^-)$

$$N_{12}^\pm = N_s + \frac{i}{\sqrt{2}} \epsilon_1 \cdot \epsilon_2 \epsilon_3 \cdot \epsilon_4 (\omega^2 + k_s^2) \pm \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \tilde{V}_{12}^{ij} H_{ij}$$

$$N_{34}^\pm = N_s - \frac{i}{\sqrt{2}} \epsilon_1 \cdot \epsilon_2 \epsilon_3 \cdot \epsilon_4 (\omega^2 + k_s^2) \pm \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \tilde{V}_{34}^{ij} H_{ij}$$

Corrections

- The double copy ansatz captures most terms in the 4-graviton wavefunction
- But it has spurious poles, so we add a term to cancel the poles and another to restore the MLT:

$$\psi_{\gamma}^{(s)} = \psi_{\gamma, \text{DC}}^{(s)} + (\epsilon_1 \cdot \epsilon_2)^2 (\epsilon_3 \cdot \epsilon_4)^2 \left(\psi_{\text{sp}}^{(s)} + \psi_{\text{MLT}}^{(s)} \right)$$

$$\psi_{\text{sp}}^{(s)} = -\frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{2k_1 k_2 k_3 k_4}{(k_{12} + k_{34})^2} \left(\frac{\alpha^2}{k_{34}} + \frac{\beta^2}{k_{12}} \right) + \frac{\alpha^2 k_3 k_4}{k_{34}} + \frac{\beta^2 k_1 k_2}{k_{12}} \right)$$

$$\psi_{\text{MLT}}^{(s)} = \frac{5k_1 k_2 k_3 k_4}{E} + \frac{E}{2} (k_{12} k_{34} - 4k_1 k_2 - 4k_3 k_4) - \frac{1}{E} (k_1 k_2 - k_3 k_4) (\alpha^2 - \beta^2) - 3(\alpha^2 k_{12} + \beta^2 k_{34})$$

where $k_{ab} = k_a + k_b$, $\alpha = k_1 - k_2$, $\beta = k_3 - k_4$

Conclusions I

- SDG in AdS_4 can be described by a simple scalar theory with a deformed Poisson bracket
- Can be derived from asymmetric double copy combining the flat space kinematic algebra with a new deformed kinematic algebra
- Encodes two $w_{1+\infty}$ algebras, one of which is deformed.
- Implies new connection between AdS/CFT and flat space holography!

Conclusions II

- Combining double copy with bootstrap gives a compact new formula for tree-level wavefunction of four gravitons in dS_4
- The double copy ansatz can be written in terms of asymmetric product of deformed numerators
- We do not yet have a systematic understanding of double copy in $(A)dS_4$ but it appears to be useful

Future

- Compute boundary correlators of SDYM and SDG in AdS_4
- Investigate how they encode the double copy and $w_{1+\infty}$
- Derive the double copy in AdS_4 by expanding around self-dual sector
- Translate double copy to Mellin space or differential notation
- 5-point graviton wavefunction, loops
- Susy in AdS_4 : COT and MLT in supermomentum space?
- Double copy for gravity coupled to massive scalars, boost breaking?