

# Holography for Heavy Operators

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Large  $N$  limits of matrix models are relevant for strong coupling limits of non-Abelian gauge theories and for AdS/CFT.

Difficult problem, but has been solved for the singlet sector of single matrix models.

Problem reduces to eigenvalue dynamics: HUGE reduction in degrees of freedom; non-interacting fermion dynamics; has found clear and convincing application in the 1/2 BPS LLM sector.

(Brezin, Izykson, Parisi, Zuber; Ginibre; Corley, Jevicki, Ramgoolam; Berenstein; Lin, Lunin, Maldacena;...)

In this talk we ask if there is a similar eigenvalue description for a two matrix model and if this has some AdS/CFT interpretation?

Naive answer: NO! We need to integrate over two random matrices and we can't simultaneously diagonalize them!

Perhaps there is a class of questions (generalizing the “singlet sector” of one matrix model) that can be approached using eigenvalue dynamics?

## Single Complex Matrix Model:

Use the Schur decomposition  $Z = U^\dagger D U$  with  $U$  a unitary matrix and  $D$  an upper triangular matrix, to explicitly change variables. A standard argument then maps eigenvalue dynamics to non-interacting fermion dynamics.

(Brezin, Izykson, Parisi, Zuber; Ginibre)

We could also construct a basis of operators that diagonalize the (free) inner product  $\Rightarrow$  Schur polynomials  $\Rightarrow$  non-interacting fermions

$$\langle \chi_R(Z) \chi_S(Z^\dagger) \rangle = f_R \delta_{RS}$$

$$\psi_{\text{FF}} \propto \chi_R(Z) \Delta(Z) e^{-\frac{1}{2} \sum_i z_i \bar{z}_i}$$

(Corley, Jevicki, Ramgoolam; Berenstein)

## Single Complex Matrix Model

Each row of the Schur polynomial can be identified with fermion  $\leftrightarrow$  an eigenvalue.

The number of boxes in each row tells us how much each fermion was excited.

If we were to study a two matrix model, with many  $Z$ s and few  $Y$ s the rough outline of the above picture should still be visible.

## Two Matrix Model: Restricted Schurs

For two matrices  $(Z, Y)$  we can diagonalize the free field inner product with restricted Schur polynomials

$$\begin{aligned} & \langle \chi_{R,(r,s)ab}(Z, Y) \chi_{T,(t,u)cd}(Z^\dagger, Y^\dagger) \rangle \\ &= f_R \frac{\text{hooks}_R}{\text{hooks}_r \text{hooks}_s} \delta_{RT} \delta_{rt} \delta_{su} \delta_{ac} \delta_{bd} \end{aligned}$$

(Bhattacharyya, Collins, dMK; Collins, dMK, Stephanou)

Operator built using  $n$   $Z$ s and  $m$   $Y$ s. We have  $r \vdash n$ ,  $s \vdash m$ ,  $R \vdash n + m$ . The restricted Schur polynomials don't diagonalize the dilatation operator.

## Two Matrix Model: Gauss Graph Operators

Using the restricted Schur polynomials as a basis, we can diagonalize the dilatation operator in a limit in which  $R$  has order 1 long rows and  $m \ll n$ .

Operators are labeled by graphs - one node for each row. Directed edges connect nodes - one  $Y$  for each edge.

(da Commarmond, dMK, Jefferies; dMK, Dessen, Giataganas, Mathwin; dMK, Ramgoolam)



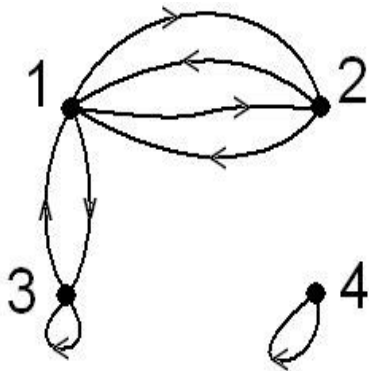


Figure: Each node is a fermion = a giant graviton and the edges stretching between nodes are open strings (each edge is a  $Y$ ) attached to the giant graviton branes

Non-interacting fermion description  $\Rightarrow$  consider only operators labeled by Gauss graphs with no edges stretching between nodes.

These are the BPS operators.

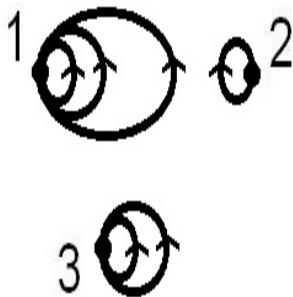


Figure: Non-interacting fermions are BPS operators

Non-interacting fermion description  $\Rightarrow$  only Gauss graphs for BPS operators .

$\Rightarrow$  if there is a non-interacting fermion description at all, it will only describe BPS operators.

These are associated to sugra solutions of string theory: only one-particle states saturating the BPS bound in gravity are associated to massless particles and lie in the supergravity multiplet.

Eigenvalue dynamics as a dual to supergravity has been advocated (using different reasoning) also by Berenstein; (see: 0507203, 0605220, 0801.2739, 0805.4658, 1001.4509, 1404.7052). These works use a combination of numerical methods and physical arguments.

We obtain exact analytic statements about eigenvalue dynamics, from multi-matrix quantum mechanics. The results agree with Berenstein.

From direct change of variables:

$$\begin{aligned}\langle \dots \rangle &= \int [dZ dZ^\dagger] e^{-\text{Tr} Z Z^\dagger} \dots \\ &= \int \prod_{i=1}^N dz_i d\bar{z}_i e^{-\sum_k z_k \bar{z}_k} \Delta(z) \Delta(\bar{z}) \dots \\ &= \int \prod_{i=1}^N dz_i d\bar{z}_i |\psi_{\text{gs}}(z, \bar{z})|^2 \dots\end{aligned}$$

$$\psi_{\text{gs}}(z, \bar{z}) = \Delta(z) e^{-\frac{1}{2} \sum_k z_k \bar{z}_k}$$

$$\Delta(z) = \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 1 & \cdots & 1 \\ z_1 & z_2 & \cdots & z_N \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ z_1^{N-1} & z_2^{N-1} & \cdots & z_N^{N-1} \end{vmatrix}$$

We replaced  $dZ \rightarrow \prod_{i=1}^N dz_i \Delta(z)$ . Four important observations:

- ▶ identical particles ( $Z \rightarrow UZU^\dagger$ )
- ▶ correct dimension (if  $[Z] = L$ , need  $[\psi_{\text{gs}}] = L^{N(N-1)}$ )
- ▶ correct scaling under  $Z \rightarrow e^{i\theta} Z$
- ▶ evenly spaced dimensions  $\Rightarrow$  oscillator

Wave function for two matrices must obey:

- ▶  $N$  identical particles ( $Z \rightarrow UZU^\dagger$  and  $Y \rightarrow UYU^\dagger$ )
- ▶ correct dimension (if  $[Z] = L = [Y]$ , need  $[\Psi_{\text{gs}}] = L^{2N(N-1)}$ )
- ▶ correct scaling under  $Z \rightarrow e^{i\theta} Z$ ,  $Y \rightarrow Y$  and  $Z \rightarrow Z$ ,  $Y \rightarrow e^{i\theta} Y$
- ▶ evenly spaced dimensions  $\Rightarrow$  oscillator
- ▶ wave function must have  $SO(4)$  symmetry which preserves  $|z_i|^2 + |y_i|^2$

Guess for the wave function satisfying these properties:

$$\Psi(z, y) = \Delta(z, y) e^{-\frac{1}{2} \sum_k z_k \bar{z}_k - \frac{1}{2} \sum_k y_k \bar{y}_k}$$

$$\Delta(z, y) = \begin{vmatrix} y_1^{N-1} & y_2^{N-1} & \cdots & y_N^{N-1} \\ z_1 y_1^{N-2} & z_2 y_2^{N-2} & \cdots & z_N y_N^{N-2} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ z_1^{N-2} y_1 & z_2^{N-1} y_2 & \cdots & z_N^{N-1} y_N \\ z_1^{N-1} & z_2^{N-1} & \cdots & z_N^{N-1} \end{vmatrix}$$



Matrix model computation:

$$\langle \text{Tr}(Z^J) \text{Tr}(Z^{\dagger J}) \rangle = \frac{1}{J+1} \left[ \frac{(J+N)!}{(N-1)!} - \frac{N!}{(N-J-1)!} \right]$$

if  $J < N$  and

$$\langle \text{Tr}(Z^J) \text{Tr}(Z^{\dagger J}) \rangle = \frac{1}{J+1} \frac{(J+N)!}{(N-1)!} \quad \text{if} \quad J \geq N$$

Eigenvalue computation:

$$\int \prod_{i=1}^N dz_i d\bar{z}_i dy_i d\bar{y}_i |\Psi(z_i, y_i)|^2 \sum_i z_i^J \sum_j \bar{z}_j^J = \frac{1}{J+1} \frac{(J+N)!}{(N-1)!}$$

$\Rightarrow$  we correctly reproduce (to all orders in  $1/N$ ) all single traces of dimension  $N$  or greater.

We know that we will reproduce both  $\text{Tr}(Z^J)$ ,  $\text{Tr}(Y^J)$  for  $J \geq N$ .

There are trace relations implying

$$\text{Tr}(Z^J) = \sum_{i,j,\dots,k} c_{ij\dots k} \text{Tr}(Z^i) \text{Tr}(Z^j) \dots \text{Tr}(Z^k)$$

$i, j, \dots, k \leq N$  and  $i + j + \dots + k = J$  so that we also start to reproduce sums of products of traces of less than  $N$  fields.

We can build BPS operators using both  $Y$  and  $Z$  fields - symmetrized traces. Are these correlators correctly reproduced?

$$\mathcal{O}_{J,K} = \frac{J!}{(J+K)!} \text{Tr} \left( Y \frac{\partial}{\partial Z} \right)^K \text{Tr}(Z^{J+K}) \leftrightarrow \sum_i z_i^J y_i^K$$

Matrix model computation:

$$\langle \mathcal{O}_{J,K} \mathcal{O}_{J,K}^\dagger \rangle = \frac{J!K!}{(J+K+1)!} \left[ \frac{(J+K+N)!}{(N-1)!} - \frac{N!}{(N-J-K-1)!} \right]$$

if  $J+K < N$  and

$$\langle \mathcal{O}_{J,K} \mathcal{O}_{J,K}^\dagger \rangle = \frac{J!K!}{(J+K+1)!} \frac{(J+K+N)!}{(N-1)!} \quad \text{if} \quad J+K \geq N$$

Eigenvalue computation:

$$\begin{aligned} \int \prod_{i=1}^N dz_i d\bar{z}_i dy_i d\bar{y}_i |\Psi(z_i, y_i)|^2 \sum_i z_i^J y_i^K \sum_j \bar{z}_j^J \bar{y}_j^K \\ = \frac{J!K!}{(J+K+1)!} \frac{(J+K+N)!}{(N-1)!} \end{aligned}$$

$\Rightarrow$  we again correctly reproduce (to all orders in  $1/N$ ) all single traces of a dimension  $N$  or greater.

Multitrace correlators are also reproduced exactly, as long as they have a dimension  $J + K \geq N$

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \langle O_{J_1, K_1} O_{J_2, K_2} \cdots O_{J_n, K_n} O_{J, K}^\dagger \rangle \\
 &= \frac{J! K!}{(J + K + 1)!} \frac{(J + K + N)!}{(N - 1)!} \delta_{J_1 + \cdots + J_n, J} \delta_{K_1 + \cdots + K_n, K} \\
 &= \int \prod_{i=1}^N dz_i d\bar{z}_i dy_i d\bar{y}_i |\Psi(z_i, y_i)|^2 \sum_{i_1} z_{i_1}^{J_1} y_{i_1}^{K_1} \cdots \sum_{i_n} z_{i_n}^{J_n} y_{i_n}^{K_n} \\
 & \quad \times \sum_j \bar{z}_j^J \bar{y}_j^K
 \end{aligned}$$

Operator with a dimension of order  $N^2$ : Young diagram  $R$  with  $N$  rows and  $M$  columns

$$\chi_R(Z) = (\det Z)^M = z_1^M z_2^M \cdots z_N^M$$

$$\chi_R(Z^\dagger) = (\det Z^\dagger)^M = \bar{z}_1^M \bar{z}_2^M \cdots \bar{z}_N^M$$

The two point correlator of this Schur polynomial is

$$\begin{aligned} \langle \chi_R \chi_R^\dagger \rangle &= \int \prod_{i=1}^N dz_i d\bar{z}_i dy_i d\bar{y}_i |\Psi|^2 |z_1|^{2M} |z_2|^{2M} \cdots |z_N|^{2M} \\ &= \prod_{i=1}^N \frac{(i-1+M)!}{(i-1)!} \end{aligned}$$

which is again the exact answer for this correlator. Not all Schur polynomials are correctly reproduced!

Local supersymmetric geometries with  $SO(4) \times U(1)$  isometries have the form

$$ds_{10}^2 = -h^{-2}(dt + \omega)^2 + h^2 \left[ \frac{2}{Z + \frac{1}{2}} \partial_a \bar{\partial}_b K dz^a d\bar{z}^b + dy^2 \right] \\ + y(e^G d\Omega_3^2 + e^{-G} d\psi^2)$$

$y$  is the product of warp factors for  $S^3$  and  $S^1 \Rightarrow$  must impose boundary conditions at  $y = 0$  hypersurface to avoid singularities: when  $S^3$  contracts to zero, we need  $Z = -\frac{1}{2}$  and when  $\psi$ -circle collapses we need  $Z = \frac{1}{2}$ .  
(Donos; Lunin; Chen, Cremonini, Donos, Lin, Lin, Liu, Vaman, Wen)

There is a surface separating these two regions, and hence, defining the supergravity solution. Is this surface visible in the eigenvalue dynamics?

At large  $N$  we expect a definite eigenvalue distribution. These eigenvalues will trace out a surface specified by where the single fermion probability peaks

$$\rho(z_1, \bar{z}_1, y_1, \bar{y}_1) = \int \prod_{i=2}^N dz_i d\bar{z}_i dy_i d\bar{y}_i |\Psi(z_1, \dots, \bar{y}_N)|^2 \quad (1)$$

Denote the points lying on this surface by  $z^{MM}, y^{MM}$ . For the  $\text{AdS}_5 \times S^5$  solution, the supergravity boundary condition is

$$|z^1|^2 + |z^2|^2 = N - 1 \quad (2)$$

The surfaces (1) and (2) are mapped into each other by identifying  $z^1 = z^{MM}$ ,  $z^2 = y^{MM}$ .

For an LLM annulus geometry ( $R$  has  $N$  rows and  $M$  columns)

$$\Psi(z, y) = \Delta(z, y) \chi_R(Z) e^{-\frac{1}{2} \sum_k z_k \bar{z}_k - \frac{1}{2} \sum_k y_k \bar{y}_k}$$

determines  $\rho(z_1, \bar{z}_1, y_1, \bar{y}_1)$ .

The supergravity boundary condition is

$$|z^2|^2 = \frac{M + N - 1 - z^1 \bar{z}^1}{z^1 \bar{z}^1 - M + 1}$$

The map between the two surfaces is  $z^2 = \frac{y^{MM}}{\sqrt{|z^{MM}|^2 - M + 1}}$ ,  
 $z^1 = z^{MM}$ .

$\Rightarrow$  eigenvalues again condense on the surface that defines the wall between the two boundary conditions, agreeing with a proposal by Berenstein



## Conclusions and questions:

- ▶ There is a sector of the two matrix model described (exactly) by eigenvalue dynamics. In the dual gravity these states are supergravity states corresponding to classical geometries.
- ▶ The supergravity boundary conditions appear to match the large  $N$  eigenvalue description.
- ▶ How could one derive these results? How could one argue for the relevance/applicability of eigenvalue dynamics?
- ▶ Can this be extended to more matrices?
- ▶ Can the eigenvalue dynamics be perturbed by off diagonal elements to start including stringy degrees of freedom?

Thanks for your attention!