## AdS/QCD and Novel QCD Phenomena

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Fínal-State Interactions Produce Pseudo T-Odd (Sívers Effect)

- Leading-Twist Bjorken Scaling!
- Requires nonzero orbital angular momentum of quark
- Arises from the interference of Final-State QCD Coulomb phases in S- and P- waves;
- Wilson line effect -- gauge independent
- Relate to the quark contribution to the target proton anomalous magnetic moment and final-state QCD phases
- QCD phase at soft scale! Nonperturbative QCD
- New window to QCD coupling and running gluon mass in the IR
- QED S- and P-wave Coulomb phases infinite -- difference of phases finite!

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Key QCD Questions for Phenomenology

- Quark and Gluon Confinement
- Hadronic Spectrum
- Light Front Wavefunctions, Distribution Amplitudes
- Running Coupling at Low Scales
- Rescattering Phenomena
- Hadronization at Amplitude Level
- Charm at Threshold

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### Need a First Approximation to QCD

## Comparable in simplicity to Schrödinger Theory in Atomic Physics

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$$\begin{split} H^{LF}_{QCD} & \text{QCD Meson Spectrum} \\ (H^0_{LF} + H^I_{LF}) |\Psi \rangle = M^2 |\Psi \rangle & \text{Coupled Fock states} \\ [\vec{k}^2_{\perp} + m^2_{\perp} + V^{LF}_{\text{eff}}] \psi_{LF}(x, \vec{k}_{\perp}) = M^2 \psi_{LF}(x, \vec{k}_{\perp}) & \text{Effective two-particle equation} \\ -\frac{d^2}{d\zeta^2} + \frac{-1 + 4L^2}{\zeta^2} + U(\zeta, S, L)] \psi_{LF}(\zeta) = M^2 \psi_{LF}(\zeta) & \text{Azimuthal Basis } \zeta, \phi \end{split}$$

$$U(\zeta,S,L)=\kappa^2\zeta^2+\kappa^2(L+S-1/2)$$
  
Semiclassical first approximation to QCD

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Confining AdS/QCD potential

### Light-Front Holography and Non-Perturbative QCD

Goal: Use AdS/QCD duality to construct a first approximation to QCD

Hadron Spectrum Líght-Front Wavefunctíons, Form Factors, DVCS, etc





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#### Light-Front Wavefunctions: rigorous representation of composite systems in quantum field theory



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P.A.M Dirac, Rev. Mod. Phys. 21, 392 (1949)

### Dírac's Amazing Idea: The Front Form



Each element of flash photograph íllumínated at same Líght Front tíme

 $\tau = t + z/c$ 

Evolve in LF time

$$P^- = i \frac{d}{d\tau}$$

DIS, Form Factors, DVCS, etc. measure proton WF at fixed

$$\tau = t + z/c$$



### Angular Momentum on the Light-Front

$$J^{z} = \sum_{i=1}^{n} s_{i}^{z} + \sum_{j=1}^{n-1} l_{j}^{z}.$$

Conserved LF Fock state by Fock State!

LF Spin Sum Rule

$$l_j^z = -i\left(k_j^1 \frac{\partial}{\partial k_j^2} - k_j^2 \frac{\partial}{\partial k_j^1}\right)$$

n-1 orbital angular momenta

Nonzero Anomalous Moment --> Nonzero orbítal angular momentum!

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Calculation of Form Factors in Equal-Time Theory



Need vacuum-induced currents

Calculation of Form Factors in Light-Front Theory



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$$\begin{aligned} \frac{F_2(q^2)}{2M} &= \sum_a \int [\mathrm{d}x] [\mathrm{d}^2 \mathbf{k}_{\perp}] \sum_j e_j \; \frac{1}{2} \; \times & \text{Drell, sjb} \\ \left[ \; -\frac{1}{q^L} \psi_a^{\uparrow *}(x_i, \mathbf{k}'_{\perp i}, \lambda_i) \; \psi_a^{\downarrow}(x_i, \mathbf{k}_{\perp i}, \lambda_i) + \frac{1}{q^R} \psi_a^{\downarrow *}(x_i, \mathbf{k}'_{\perp i}, \lambda_i) \; \psi_a^{\uparrow}(x_i, \mathbf{k}_{\perp i}, \lambda_i) \right] \\ \mathbf{k}'_{\perp i} &= \mathbf{k}_{\perp i} - x_i \mathbf{q}_{\perp} & \mathbf{k}'_{\perp j} = \mathbf{k}_{\perp j} + (1 - x_j) \mathbf{q}_{\perp} \end{aligned}$$



#### Must have $\Delta \ell_z = \pm 1$ to have nonzero $F_2(q^2)$

Same matrix elements appear in Sivers effect -- connection to quark anomalous moments

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#### Anomalous gravitomagnetic moment B(0)

Terayev, Okun, et al: B(0) Must vanish because of Equivalence Theorem



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 $|p,S_z\rangle = \sum \Psi_n(x_i,\vec{k}_{\perp i},\lambda_i)|n;\vec{k}_{\perp i},\lambda_i\rangle$ n=3

sum over states with n=3, 4, ... constituents

The Light Front Fock State Wavefunctions

$$\Psi_n(x_i, \vec{k}_{\perp i}, \lambda_i)$$

are boost invariant; they are independent of the hadron's energy and momentum  $P^{\mu}$ .

The light-cone momentum fraction

$$x_i = \frac{k_i^+}{p^+} = \frac{k_i^0 + k_i^z}{P^0 + P^z}$$

are boost invariant.

$$\sum_{i}^{n} k_{i}^{+} = P^{+}, \ \sum_{i}^{n} x_{i} = 1, \ \sum_{i}^{n} \vec{k}_{i}^{\perp} = \vec{0}^{\perp}.$$

**Intrinsic heavy quarks** 

c(x), b(x) at high x

$$ar{s}(x) \neq s(x)$$
  
 $ar{u}(x) \neq ar{d}(x)$ 





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Fixed LF time

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#### Light-Front QCD Features and Phenomenology

- Hidden color, Intrinsic glue, sea, Color Transparency
- Physics of spin, orbital angular momentum
- Near Conformal Behavior of LFWFs at Short Distances; PQCD constraints
- Vanishing anomalous gravitomagnetic moment
- Relation between edm and anomalous magnetic moment
- Cluster Decomposition Theorem for relativistic systems
- OPE: DGLAP, ERBL evolution; invariant mass scheme

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#### QCD and the LF Hadron Wavefunctions



### **GPDs & Deeply Virtual Exclusive Processes**

### "handbag" mechanism





$$\xi = \frac{x_{B}}{2 - x_{B}}$$

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virtual Compton scattering <sup>☆</sup>

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# Example of LFWF representation of GPDs (n => n)

Diehl,Hwang, sjb

$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{1-\zeta}} \frac{\Delta^{1} - i\,\Delta^{2}}{2M} E_{(n\to n)}(x,\zeta,t)$$

$$= \left(\sqrt{1-\zeta}\right)^{2-n} \sum_{n,\lambda_{i}} \int \prod_{i=1}^{n} \frac{\mathrm{d}x_{i}\,\mathrm{d}^{2}\vec{k}_{\perp i}}{16\pi^{3}} \,16\pi^{3}\delta\left(1-\sum_{j=1}^{n} x_{j}\right)\delta^{(2)}\left(\sum_{j=1}^{n} \vec{k}_{\perp j}\right)$$

$$\times \,\delta(x-x_{1})\psi_{(n)}^{\uparrow*}\left(x_{i}',\vec{k}_{\perp i}',\lambda_{i}\right)\psi_{(n)}^{\downarrow}\left(x_{i},\vec{k}_{\perp i},\lambda_{i}\right),$$

where the arguments of the final-state wavefunction are given by

$$x_{1}' = \frac{x_{1} - \zeta}{1 - \zeta}, \qquad \vec{k}_{\perp 1}' = \vec{k}_{\perp 1} - \frac{1 - x_{1}}{1 - \zeta} \vec{\Delta}_{\perp} \quad \text{for the struck quark,} x_{i}' = \frac{x_{i}}{1 - \zeta}, \qquad \vec{k}_{\perp i}' = \vec{k}_{\perp i} + \frac{x_{i}}{1 - \zeta} \vec{\Delta}_{\perp} \quad \text{for the spectators } i = 2, \dots, n.$$

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J=0 Fixed pole in real and virtual Compton scattering

- Effective two-photon contact term
- Seagull for scalar quarks
- Real phase

 $M = s^0 \sum e_q^2 F_q(t)$ 

• Independent of Q<sup>2</sup> at fixed t



- <1/x> Moment: Related to Feynman-Hellman Theorem
- Fundamental test of local gauge theory

 $Q^2$ -independent contribution to Real DVCS amplitude

$$s^2 \frac{d\sigma}{dt} (\gamma^* p \to \gamma p) = F^2(t)$$

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#### Key QCD Panda Experiment



$$\frac{d\sigma}{dt}(\bar{p}p \to \gamma\gamma) = \frac{F(t/s)}{s^6}$$

$$p$$

Local Two-Photon (Seagull) Interaction

Tests PQCD and AdS/CFT Conformal Scaling

Close, Gunion, sjb Szczepaniak, Llanes Estrada, sjb

Angle-Independent J=0 Fixed Pole Contribution:

$$M(\bar{p}p \to \gamma\gamma) = F(s) \propto \frac{1}{s^2}$$
  $\qquad \frac{d\sigma}{dt}(\bar{p}p \to \gamma\gamma) \propto \frac{1}{s^6}$ 

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### Static

- Square of Target LFWFs
- No Wilson Line
- Probability Distributions
- Process-Independent
- T-even Observables
- No Shadowing, Anti-Shadowing
- Sum Rules: Momentum and J<sup>z</sup>
- DGLAP Evolution; mod. at large x
- No Diffractive DIS



### Dynamic

Modified by Rescattering: ISI & FSI

Contains Wilson Line, Phases

No Probabilistic Interpretation

Process-Dependent - From Collision

T-Odd (Sivers, Boer-Mulders, etc.)

Shadowing, Anti-Shadowing, Saturation

Sum Rules Not Proven

DGLAP Evolution

Hard Pomeron and Odderon Diffractive DIS



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#### Nuclear Shadowing in QCD



Shadowing depends on understanding leading twist-diffraction in DIS

Nuclear Shadowing not included in nuclear LFWF!

Dynamical effect due to virtual photon interacting in nucleus

Antishadowing (Reggeon exchange) is not universal!

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$$Q^2 = 5 \,\,\mathrm{GeV}^2$$



Scheinbein, Yu, Keppel, Morfin, Olness, Owens



### Applications of AdS/CFT to QCD



Changes in physical length scale mapped to evolution in the 5th dimension z

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Changes in physical length scale mapped to evolution in the 5th dimension z

Goal:

- Use AdS/CFT to provide an approximate, covariant, and analytic model of hadron structure with confinement at large distances, conformal behavior at short distances
- Analogous to the Schrödinger Theory for Atomic Physics
- AdS/QCD Light-Front Holography
- Hadronic Spectra and Light-Front Wavefunctions

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Conformal Theories are invariant under the Poincare and conformal transformations with

 $\mathbf{M}^{\mu\nu}, \mathbf{P}^{\mu}, \mathbf{D}, \mathbf{K}^{\mu},$ 

### the generators of SO(4,2)

SO(4,2) has a mathematical representation on AdS5

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#### **Scale Transformations**

 $\bullet$  Isomorphism of SO(4,2) of conformal QCD with the group of isometries of AdS space

$$ds^{2} = \frac{R^{2}}{z^{2}} (\eta_{\mu\nu} dx^{\mu} dx^{\nu} - dz^{2}),$$
 invariant measure

 $x^{\mu} \rightarrow \lambda x^{\mu}, \ z \rightarrow \lambda z$ , maps scale transformations into the holographic coordinate z.

- AdS mode in z is the extension of the hadron wf into the fifth dimension.
- Different values of z correspond to different scales at which the hadron is examined.

$$x^2 \to \lambda^2 x^2, \quad z \to \lambda z.$$

 $x^2 = x_\mu x^\mu$ : invariant separation between quarks

• The AdS boundary at  $z \to 0$  correspond to the  $Q \to \infty$ , UV zero separation limit.

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- Truncated AdS/CFT (Hard-Wall) model: cut-off at  $z_0 = 1/\Lambda_{QCD}$  breaks conformal invariance and allows the introduction of the QCD scale (Hard-Wall Model) Polchinski and Strassler (2001).
- Smooth cutoff: introduction of a background dilaton field  $\varphi(z)$  usual linear Regge dependence can be obtained (Soft-Wall Model) Karch, Katz, Son and Stephanov (2006).





Holography: Unique mapping derived from equality of LF and AdS formula for current matrix elements

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### Ads/CFT: Anti-de Sitter Space / Conformal Field Theory

Maldacena:

Map  $AdS_5 X S_5$  to conformal N=4 SUSY

- **QCD is not conformal**; however, it has manifestations of a scale-invariant theory: Bjorken scaling, dimensional counting for hard exclusive processes
- Conformal window:  $\alpha_s(Q^2) \simeq \text{const}$  at small  $Q^2$
- Use mathematical mapping of the conformal group SO(4,2) to AdS5 space



#### **Conformal QCD Window in Exclusive Processes**

- Does  $\alpha_s$  develop an IR fixed point? Dyson–Schwinger Equation Alkofer, Fischer, LLanes-Estrada, Deur...
- Recent lattice simulations: evidence that  $\alpha_s$  becomes constant and is not small in the infrared Furui and Nakajima, hep-lat/0612009 (Green dashed curve: DSE).



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#### Deur, Korsch, et al.



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#### Maximal Wavelength of Confined Fields

• Colored fields confined to finite domain

$$(x-y)^2 < \Lambda_{QCD}^{-2}$$

- All perturbative calculations regulated in IR
- High momentum calculations unaffected
- Bound-state Dyson-Schwinger Equation
- Analogous to Bethe's Lamb Shift Calculation

Quark and Gluon vacuum polarization insertions decouple: IR fixed Point **Shrock, sjb** 

J. D. Bjorken, SLAC-PUB 1053 Cargese Lectures 1989 A strictly-perturbative space-time region can be defined as one which has the property that any straight-line segment lying entirely within the region has an invariant length small compared to the confinement scale (whether or not the segment is spacelike or timelike).

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### IR Conformal Window for QCD

- Dyson-Schwinger Analysis: QCD gluon coupling has IR **Fixed Point**
- Evidence from Lattice Gauge Theory
- Stability of  $\Upsilon \rightarrow qqq$ Shrock, sib
- Define coupling from observable: **indications of IR** fixed point for QCD effective charges Deur, Chen, Burkert, Korsch,

 Confined gluons and quarks have maximum wavelength: Decoupling of QCD vacuum polarization at small Q<sup>2</sup> **Serber-Uehling** 

Justifies application of AdS/CFT in strong-coupling conformal window

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AdS/CFT

- Use mapping of conformal group SO(4,2) to AdS5
- Scale Transformations represented by wavefunction in 5th dimension  $x_{\mu}^2 \rightarrow \lambda^2 x_{\mu}^2 \qquad z \rightarrow \lambda z$
- Match solutions at small z to conformal twist dimension of hadron wavefunction at short distances ψ(z) ~ z<sup>Δ</sup> at z → 0
- Hard wall model: Confinement at large distances and conformal symmetry in interior
- Truncated space simulates "bag" boundary conditions

$$0 < z < z_0 \qquad \psi(z_0) = 0 \qquad z_0 = \frac{1}{\Lambda_{QCD}}$$

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#### Bosonic Solutions: Hard Wall Model

- Conformal metric:  $ds^2 = g_{\ell m} dx^\ell dx^m$ .  $x^\ell = (x^\mu, z), g_{\ell m} \rightarrow \left(R^2/z^2\right) \eta_{\ell m}$ .
- Action for massive scalar modes on  $AdS_{d+1}$ :

$$S[\Phi] = \frac{1}{2} \int d^{d+1}x \sqrt{g} \, \frac{1}{2} \left[ g^{\ell m} \partial_{\ell} \Phi \partial_m \Phi - \mu^2 \Phi^2 \right], \quad \sqrt{g} \to (R/z)^{d+1}$$

Equation of motion

$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{g}}\frac{\partial}{\partial x^{\ell}}\left(\sqrt{g}\ g^{\ell m}\frac{\partial}{\partial x^m}\Phi\right) + \mu^2\Phi = 0.$$

• Factor out dependence along  $x^{\mu}$ -coordinates ,  $\Phi_P(x,z) = e^{-iP\cdot x} \Phi(z)$ ,  $P_{\mu}P^{\mu} = \mathcal{M}^2$ :

$$\left[z^2 \partial_z^2 - (d-1)z \,\partial_z + z^2 \mathcal{M}^2 - (\mu R)^2\right] \Phi(z) = 0.$$

• Solution:  $\Phi(z) \to z^{\Delta}$  as  $z \to 0$ ,

$$\Phi(z) = C z^{d/2} J_{\Delta - d/2}(z\mathcal{M}) \qquad \Delta = \frac{1}{2} \left( d + \sqrt{d^2 + 4\mu^2 R^2} \right).$$

$$\Delta = 2 + L$$
  $d = 4$   $(\mu R)^2 = L^2 - 4$ 

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### Let $\Phi(z) = z^{3/2}\phi(z)$

Ads Schrodinger Equation for bound state of two scalar constituents:

$$\Big[-\frac{d^2}{dz^2} - \frac{1 - 4L^2}{4z^2}\Big]\phi(z) = \mathcal{M}^2\phi(z)$$

L: light-front orbital angular momentum Derived from variation of Action in AdS5

Hard wall model: truncated space

$$\phi(\mathbf{z} = \mathbf{z}_0 = \frac{1}{\Lambda_c}) = 0.$$

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#### Match fall-off at small z to conformal twist-dimension\_ at short distances

- Pseudoscalar mesons:  $\mathcal{O}_{2+L} = \overline{\psi} \gamma_5 D_{\{\ell_1} \dots D_{\ell_m\}} \psi$  ( $\Phi_\mu = 0$  gauge).  $\Delta = 2 + L$
- 4-*d* mass spectrum from boundary conditions on the normalizable string modes at  $z = z_0$ ,  $\Phi(x, z_0) = 0$ , given by the zeros of Bessel functions  $\beta_{\alpha,k}$ :  $\mathcal{M}_{\alpha,k} = \beta_{\alpha,k} \Lambda_{QCD}$
- Normalizable AdS modes  $\Phi(z)$



S=0 Meson orbital and radial AdS modes for  $\Lambda_{QCD}=0.32$  GeV.

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twist



Fig: Orbital and radial AdS modes in the hard wall model for  $\Lambda_{QCD}$  = 0.32 GeV .



Fig: Light meson and vector meson orbital spectrum  $\Lambda_{QCD}=0.32~{
m GeV}$ 

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#### **Higher Spin Bosonic Modes HW**

• Each hadronic state of integer spin  $S \leq 2$  is dual to a normalizable string mode

$$\Phi(x,z)_{\mu_1\mu_2\cdots\mu_S} = \epsilon_{\mu_1\mu_2\cdots\mu_S} e^{-iP\cdot x} \Phi_S(z).$$

with four-momentum  $P_{\mu}$  and spin polarization indices along the 3+1 physical coordinates.

• Wave equation for spin S-mode W. S. I'Yi, Phys. Lett. B 448, 218 (1999)

$$\left[z^2\partial_z^2 - (d+1-2S)z\,\partial_z + z^2\mathcal{M}^2 - (\mu R)^2\right]\Phi_S(z) = 0,$$

Solution

$$\widetilde{\Phi}(z)_S = \left(\frac{z}{R}\right)^S \Phi(z)_S = C e^{-iP \cdot x} z^{\frac{d}{2}} J_{\Delta - \frac{d}{2}}(z\mathcal{M}) \epsilon(P)_{\mu_1 \mu_2 \cdots \mu_S},$$

• We can identify the conformal dimension:

$$\Delta = \frac{1}{2} \left( d + \sqrt{(d - 2S)^2 + 4\mu^2 R^2} \right).$$

• Normalization:

$$R^{d-2S-1} \int_0^{\Lambda_{\text{QCD}}^{-1}} \frac{dz}{z^{d-2S-1}} \, \Phi_S^2(z) = 1.$$

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• Soft-wall model [Karch, Katz, Son and Stephanov (2006)] retain conformal AdS metrics but introduce smooth cutoff wich depends on the profile of a dilaton background field  $\varphi(z) = \pm \kappa^2 z^2$ 

$$S = \int d^d x \, dz \, \sqrt{g} \, e^{\varphi(z)} \mathcal{L},$$

• Equation of motion for scalar field  $\mathcal{L} = \frac{1}{2} (g^{\ell m} \partial_{\ell} \Phi \partial_m \Phi - \mu^2 \Phi^2)$ 

$$\left[z^2 \partial_z^2 - \left(d - 1 \mp 2\kappa^2 z^2\right) z \,\partial_z + z^2 \mathcal{M}^2 - (\mu R)^2\right] \Phi(z) = 0$$

with  $(\mu R)^2 \ge -4$ . See also [Metsaev (2002), Andreev (2006)] + sign: Fen Zuo(2009)

• LH holography requires 'plus dilaton'  $\varphi = +\kappa^2 z^2$ . Lowest possible state  $(\mu R)^2 = -4$ 

$$\mathcal{M}^2 = 4\kappa^2 n, \quad \Phi_n(z) \sim z^2 e^{-\kappa^2 z^2} L_n(\kappa^2 z^2)$$

 $\Phi_0(z)$  a chiral symmetric bound state of two massless quarks with scaling dimension 2: the pion

Massless píon

Ads Soft-Wall Schrodinger Equation for bound state of two scalar constituents:

$$\left[-\frac{d^2}{dz^2} - \frac{1 - 4L^2}{4z^2} + U(z)\right]\phi(z) = \mathcal{M}^2\phi(z)$$

$$U(z) = \kappa^4 z^2 + 2\kappa^2 (L + S - 1)$$

Derived from variation of Action Dilaton-Modified AdS<sub>5</sub>

$$e^{\Phi(z)} = e^{+\kappa^2 z^2}$$

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Agrees with Klebanov and Maldacena for positive-sign exponent of dilaton

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Parent and daughter Regge trajectories for the  $I=1~\rho$ -meson family (red) and the  $I=0~\omega$ -meson family (black) for  $\kappa=0.54~{\rm GeV}$ 

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#### **Higher Spin Bosonic Modes SW**

• Effective LF Schrödinger wave equation

$$\begin{bmatrix} -\frac{d^2}{dz^2} - \frac{1 - 4L^2}{4z^2} + \kappa^4 z^2 + 2\kappa^2 (L + S - 1) \end{bmatrix} \phi_S(z) = \mathcal{M}^2 \phi_S(z)$$
  
with eigenvalues  $\mathcal{M}^2 = 2\kappa^2 (2n + 2L + S)$ . Same slope in n and L

• Compare with Nambu string result (rotating flux tube):  $M_n^2(L) = 2\pi\sigma \left(n + L + 1/2\right)$ .



Soft-wall model

Vector mesons orbital (a) and radial (b) spectrum for  $\kappa=0.54$  GeV.

 Glueballs in the bottom-up approach: (HW) Boschi-Filho, Braga and Carrion (2005); (SW) Colangelo, De Facio, Jugeau and Nicotri(2007). To do: compare with Ebert, Faustov, & Galkin, Plessas, et al AdS/QCD and Novel QCD Phenomena
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#### Hadron Form Factors from AdS/CFT

Propagation of external perturbation suppressed inside AdS.

$$J(Q,z) = zQK_1(zQ)$$



Consider a specific AdS mode  $\Phi^{(n)}$  dual to an n partonic Fock state  $|n\rangle$ . At small z,  $\Phi$  scales as  $\Phi^{(n)} \sim z^{\Delta_n}$ . Thus:

$$F(Q^2) \rightarrow \left[rac{1}{Q^2}
ight]^{ au-1}, \qquad \begin{array}{l} \mbox{Dimensional Quark Counting Rules:} \\ \mbox{General result from} \\ \mbox{AdS/CFT and Conformal Invariance} \end{array}$$

where  $\tau = \Delta_n - \sigma_n$ ,  $\sigma_n = \sum_{i=1}^n \sigma_i$ . The twist is equal to the number of partons,  $\tau = n$ .

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#### **Current Matrix Elements in AdS Space (SW)**

#### sjb and GdT Grigoryan and Radyushkin

• Propagation of external current inside AdS space described by the AdS wave equation

$$\left[z^2\partial_z^2 - z\left(1 + 2\kappa^2 z^2\right)\partial_z - Q^2 z^2\right]J_{\kappa}(Q, z) = 0.$$

• Solution bulk-to-boundary propagator

$$J_{\kappa}(Q,z) = \Gamma\left(1 + \frac{Q^2}{4\kappa^2}\right) U\left(\frac{Q^2}{4\kappa^2}, 0, \kappa^2 z^2\right),$$

where U(a, b, c) is the confluent hypergeometric function

$$\Gamma(a)U(a,b,z) = \int_0^\infty e^{-zt} t^{a-1} (1+t)^{b-a-1} dt.$$

- Form factor in presence of the dilaton background  $\varphi = \kappa^2 z^2$ 

$$F(Q^2) = R^3 \int \frac{dz}{z^3} e^{-\kappa^2 z^2} \Phi(z) J_{\kappa}(Q, z) \Phi(z).$$

 $\bullet\,$  For large  $Q^2\gg 4\kappa^2$ 

$$J_{\kappa}(Q,z) \to zQK_1(zQ) = J(Q,z),$$

the external current decouples from the dilaton field.

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Soft Wall Model