

# A holographic Dual for logarithmic Field Theories with $z = 2$ Lifshitz Scaling

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- applications include :  
*gravitationally dressed CFTs, (multi)critical polymers, percolation, two-dimensional (magnetohydrodynamic) turbulence, the (fractional) quantum Hall effect, the sandpile model, disordered systems ...*

# logarithmic 2-point functions in CFT



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$$\langle \phi^{(0)}(z) \phi^{(0)}(0) \rangle = 0$$

$$\langle \phi^{(0)}(z) \phi^{(1)}(0) \rangle = 0$$

$$\langle \phi^{(0)}(z) \phi^{(2)}(0) \rangle = \frac{c_0}{z^{2h}}$$

$$\langle \phi^{(1)}(z) \phi^{(1)}(0) \rangle = \frac{c_0}{z^{2h}}$$

$$\langle \phi^{(1)}(z) \phi^{(2)}(0) \rangle = \frac{c_0 + c_1 \ln z}{z^{2h}}$$

$$\langle \phi^{(1)}(z) \phi^{(2)}(0) \rangle = \frac{c_0 + c_1 \ln z + c_2 (\ln z)^2}{z^{2h}}$$

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- characteristic for (quantum) critical phenomena
- a metric that incorporates Lifshitz scaling :

$$ds^2 = -\frac{dt^2}{r^{2z}} + \frac{dx^2 + dy^2 + dr^2}{r^2}$$

→ natural place to start constructing gravity duals of theories that are invariant under Lifshitz scaling (in the UV)

[Kachru, Liu, Mulligan '08]



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## String Theory :

- gravitational Lifshitz models can be uplifted to string theory

[Donos, Gauntlett '10]

[Chemissany, Hartong '12]

→ *better understanding of a new class of string vacua*



$$\begin{aligned} S &= S_{EH} + S_{Proca} \\ S_{EH} &= \frac{1}{2\kappa} \int_M (R - 2\Lambda) v_M \\ S_{Proca} &= -\frac{1}{4\kappa} \int_M (dP \wedge *dP + c P \wedge *P) \\ v_M &= e_3 \wedge e_1 \wedge e_2 \wedge e_0 \end{aligned}$$

Lifshitz solutions :

$$\begin{aligned} c &= \frac{2z}{L^2} \\ \Lambda &= -\frac{z^2 + z + 4}{2L^2} \end{aligned}$$



asymptotic Lifshitz fixed point :

$$e_0 = \frac{1}{r^z} dt$$

$$e_1 = \frac{1}{r} dx$$

$$e_2 = \frac{1}{r} dy$$

$$e_3 = -\frac{1}{r} dr$$

$$P = \sqrt{\frac{2(z-1)}{z}} \frac{1}{r^z} dt$$



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for 2-point functions it suffices to consider the linearized e.o.m.  
( $\rightarrow$  only need  $S^{bulk}$  to quadratic order)

[Son, Starinets '02]

# Linearized Einstein-Proca equations



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$$\delta g \sim \begin{bmatrix} \overbrace{\Omega}^t & \overbrace{\Sigma}^{x,y} & \overbrace{0}^r \\ \hline \Sigma & h & 0 \\ \hline 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{matrix} \}t \\ \}x,y \\ \}r \end{matrix}$$

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- 10(9) coupled linear PDEs
- 4 (linear) constraints from Bianchi identities





$$\delta\Xi \sim r^\Delta \sum_{k,l,m,n \geq 0} \Xi^{(k,l,m,n)} \left[ \xi^{(0)} \right] r^{2k+2l+m\lambda_1+n\lambda_2}$$
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- $\Delta = 0$  : sources for  $\mathcal{E}$ ,  $e^j$  and  $\Pi_a^j$
- $\Delta = 2(z - 1)$  : source for  $p_a$
- $\Delta = z + 2$  : expectation values for  $\mathcal{E}$ ,  $e^j$  and  $\Pi_a^j$
- $\Delta = 3z$  : expectation value for  $p_a$
- $\Delta = \lambda_1(z)$  : source of a scalar operator  $O_P$
- $\Delta = \lambda_2(z)$  : expectation value for  $O_P$

[Ross, Saremi '09]

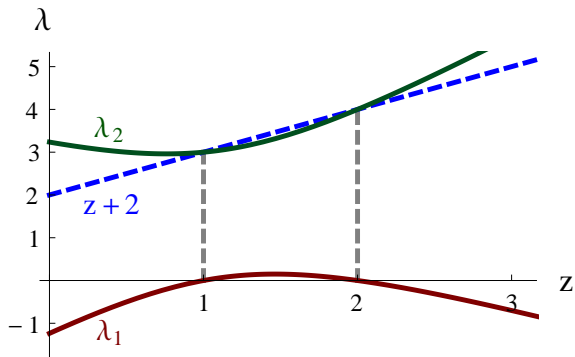


$$z = 2$$



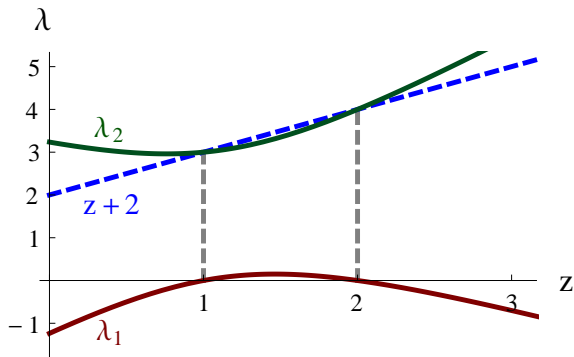
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$$\delta\Xi \sim \sum_{n \geq 0} \Xi^{(n)}[\xi^{(0)}, \tilde{\xi}^{(0)}] r^{2n} + \ln r \sum_{n \geq 0} \tilde{\Xi}^{(n)}[\tilde{\xi}^{(0)}] r^{2n}$$



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$\check{\text{N}}$ ,  $\check{\text{E}}$ ,  $\check{\text{P}}$



$\check{\eta}$ ,  $\check{\epsilon}$ ,  $\check{p}$

2-point functions are related :

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equations for  $\check{h}$ ,  $\check{\Sigma}$  and  $\check{b}$  can be reduced to 2 decoupled master equations :

$$\begin{aligned} v^2 x'' - v x' + v(2v - \lambda)x &= 0 \\ v^2 y'' + v\left(v - \frac{\lambda}{2}\right)y &= 0 \end{aligned} \quad \left| \quad v = \frac{r^2}{2\omega} \right.$$

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solutions with ingoing boundary conditions :

$$x = B_x e^{-iv} \Gamma \left( 1 - \frac{i\lambda}{4} \right) U \left( -\frac{i\lambda}{4}, 0, 2iv \right)$$

$$y = B_y e^{-iv} v^2 \Gamma \left( \frac{6 - i\lambda}{4} \right) U \left( \frac{6 - i\lambda}{4}, 1, 2iv \right)$$



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$$\begin{aligned}v^2 x'' - vx' + v(2v - \lambda)x &= 0 \\v^2 \gamma'' + v\left(v - \frac{\lambda}{2}\right)\gamma &= 0\end{aligned}$$

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$$\Xi(v) = p^0(v) + p^i(v)x + p^{ii}(v)\gamma + p^{iii}(v)\gamma' + p^{iv}(v) \int \gamma$$

# Shear Channel: 2-point functions & QNM



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$$\langle \check{\epsilon} \check{\epsilon} \rangle = -\frac{i\omega^4 \lambda}{512(2\pi)^3 \kappa} [\lambda(\lambda^2 + 4)\psi_1 - 8(\lambda^2 + 2)\psi_2 + 4\lambda(\lambda^2 + 4) \ln(-i\omega)]$$

$$\psi_1 = 2i\lambda - 6 + 8\gamma - \lambda^2 \psi\left(\frac{i\lambda}{4}\right) + (\lambda^2 + 4) \psi\left(\frac{i\lambda + 2}{4}\right)$$

$$\psi_2 = \frac{1}{4} \left[ 2i\lambda^2 - 4\lambda^2 + 8i - \lambda(\lambda^2 + 4) \psi\left(\frac{i\lambda}{4}\right) + \lambda(\lambda^2 + 4) \psi\left(\frac{i\lambda + 2}{4}\right) \right]$$

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quasinormal frequencies :

$$\omega = -\frac{i}{2n} k^2, \quad n > 2$$



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relations :

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$$\langle \hat{p} \tilde{\mathcal{E}} \rangle = \lambda \langle \hat{\Pi} \tilde{\mathcal{E}} \rangle$$

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$$\Phi = 2i\lambda^2 + 8\lambda + 8i - (\lambda^2 + 4) \lambda \psi \left( \frac{i\lambda}{4} \right) + (\lambda^2 + 4) \lambda \psi \left( \frac{i\lambda + 2}{4} \right)$$

$$\text{QNM} \longleftrightarrow \Phi = 0$$

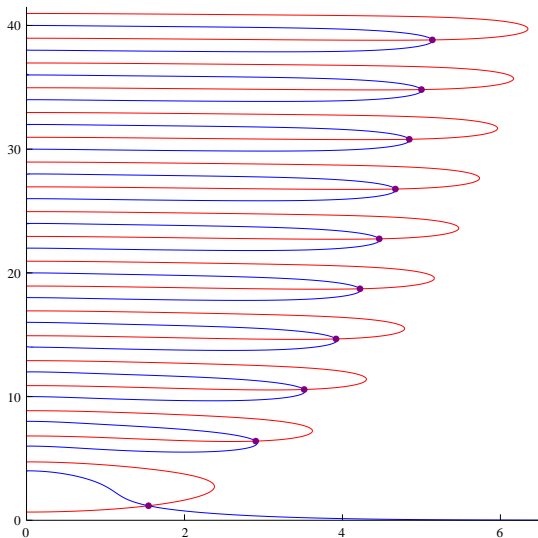


# Sound Channel: quasinormal Frequencies



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→ cf. LCFT & e.g. [Bergshoeff, Haan, Merbis, Rosseel, '11]

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