

# $\hbar \lambda \phi^4$ - String Field Theory as a Dynamics of Self Avoiding Random Surfaces

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We introduce an analogous self avoiding random surface representation for a  $\lambda \phi^4$  - Closed String Field Theory at critical dimension by following Symanzik's self avoiding contour representation for a  $\lambda \phi^4$  - Point Like Field Theory<sup>1</sup>.

One of the most interesting problems in String Field Theories is related to the implementation of non-perturbative analysis. We address in this paper the problem of implementing a non-perturbative self avoiding random surface representation for a  $\lambda \phi^4$  - closed string field theory by the same procedure used years ago by Symanzik in his non-perturbative self avoiding contour representation for the  $\lambda \phi^4$  (Point Like) Field Theory<sup>1</sup>.

Let us start our analysis by considering the generating functional of the following mathematical  $\lambda \phi^4$  Closed String Field Path Integral. On the critical dimension  $D = 26$  (see Appendix A for the general covariant discussion).

$$Z[J(C)] = \int D^F[\Phi(C)] \times \exp \left\{ - \sum_{[C]} (\Phi(C) \hat{\Delta}_C \Phi(C) + J(C) \Phi(C)) + \lambda^2 \left( \sum_{[C_0, C_1]} \delta^{(D)}(C_0 - C_1) \Phi^2(C_0) \Phi^2(C_1) \right) \right\}. \quad (1)$$

The notation is as follows: i) the string field is given by a functional  $\Phi(C)$  defined over the space of all closed string configurations  $C = \{X_\mu(\sigma), -\pi \leq \sigma \leq \pi, X_\mu(-\pi) = X_\mu(\pi)\}$ ; ii) The sum over all closed string configurations is defined by the path integral

$$\sum_{[C]} = \int d^0 x \left( \int_{X_\mu(-\pi)=X_\mu(\pi)=x_\mu} D^F[X_\mu(\sigma)] \exp \left( - \frac{1}{2} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} (\dot{X}^\mu(\sigma))^2 d\sigma \right) \right); \quad (2)$$

iii) The critical  $D = 26$  string free kinetic term is asso-

ciated to the string D'Alembertian<sup>2</sup>

$$\hat{\Delta}_C = \frac{1}{2} \frac{\delta^2}{\delta^2 X_\mu(\sigma)} - \frac{1}{2\pi X'} |X'_\mu(\sigma)|^2; \quad (3)$$

iv) The string functional measure in equation (1) is given by the usual Feynman product measure

$$D^F[\Phi(C)] = \prod_{\{X_\mu(\sigma)\}} d\Phi(X_\mu(\sigma)); \quad (4)$$

and iv) The interaction action in equation (1) is given by the following vertex with  $D$ -dimensional delta functions supported on the string configurations and involving a positive  $X^2$  coupling constant in the extrinsic space

$$\lambda^2 \sum_{\{C_0, C_1\}} \delta^{(D)}(C_0 - C_1). \quad (5)$$

The proposed interaction vertex was defined in such way that allows the replacement of the four string field interaction in equation (5) by an independent interaction of each string with a extrinsic Gaussian stochastic field  $W(x)$  followed by an average over the fluctuating field  $W(x)$ . It is instructive to point out that similar procedure is well known in many-body path integral quantum field theory<sup>3</sup>. So, we can write equation (1) as

$$Z[J(C)] = \left\langle \int D^F[\Phi(C)] \exp \left\{ - \sum_{[C]} \Phi(C) (\hat{\Delta}_C \rightarrow i\lambda W(C)) \Phi(C) + J(C) \Phi(C) \right\} \right\rangle_W. \quad (6)$$

Here,  $W(C)$  means that the external stochastic field  $W(x)$  is projected on the string configuration  $C$

$$W(C) = \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} d\sigma W(X_\mu(\sigma)) \quad (7)$$

and satisfies the white noise stochastic correlation function with  $x \leftarrow R^0$

$$\langle W(x)W(x') \rangle_W = \delta^{(D)}(x - x'). \quad (8)$$

In the free case,  $\lambda = 0$ , the String Path Integral Field Theory equation (1) is exactly soluble with the following quantum string field generating functional

$$\frac{Z[J(C)]}{Z[J(C) \equiv 0]} = \exp \left\{ +\frac{1}{2} \sum_{\{C, \bar{C}\}} J(C) \hat{\Delta}^{-1}(C, \bar{C}) J(\bar{C}) \right\}. \quad (9)$$

Here  $\hat{\Delta}^{-1}(C, \bar{C})$  denotes the Green's Function for the string Laplacian and is given explicitly by the Random Surface Path Integral

$$\hat{\Delta}^{-1}(C, \bar{C}) = \int_0^\infty dA \langle C | e^{-A \hat{\Delta}_c} | \bar{C} \rangle, \quad (10)$$

with

$$\begin{aligned} \langle C | e^{-A \hat{\Delta}_c} | \bar{C} \rangle &= \\ &= \int_{\substack{X^\mu(\sigma, 0) = C^\mu(\sigma) \\ X^\mu(\sigma, A) = \bar{C}^\mu(\sigma)}} D^F[X^\mu(\sigma, \tau)] \times \exp \left( -\frac{1}{2} \times \right. \\ &\times \left. \int_0^A d\tau \int_{-\pi}^\pi d\sigma (\partial X^\mu)^2(\sigma, \tau) \right). \end{aligned} \quad (11)$$

In order to reformulate the closed string field theory equation (1) as a dynamics of self-Avoiding Random Surfaces<sup>4</sup>, we evaluate formally the Gaussian Field Path Integral in equation (6)

$$\begin{aligned} Z[J(C)] &= \left\langle [\det(\hat{\Delta}_c + i\lambda W(c))]^{-1/2} \times \right. \\ &\exp \left\{ +\frac{1}{2} \sum_{\{C, \bar{C}\}} J(C) (\hat{\Delta}_c + i\lambda W(c))^{-1} J(\bar{C}) \right\} \Bigg\rangle_W. \end{aligned} \quad (12)$$

Let us define the string functional determinant in equation (12) by the proper-time technique

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{1}{2} \log \det[\hat{\Delta}_c + i\lambda W(c)] &= \\ &= - \int_0^\infty \frac{dA}{A} \sum_{(c, \bar{c})} \delta^{(F)}(c - \bar{c}) \times \\ &\langle c | \exp(-A(\hat{\Delta}_c + i\lambda W(c))) | \bar{c} \rangle \end{aligned} \quad (13)$$

with

$$\begin{aligned} \langle C | \exp(-A(\hat{\Delta}_c + i\lambda W(c))) | \bar{C} \rangle &= \\ &= \int_{\substack{X^\mu(\sigma, 0) = C^\mu(\sigma) \\ X^\mu(\sigma, A) = \bar{C}^\mu(\sigma)}} D^F[X^\mu(\sigma, \tau)] \\ &\exp \left\{ -\frac{1}{2} \int_0^A dJ \int_{-\pi}^\pi d\sigma (\partial X^\mu)^2(\sigma, \tau) \right. \\ &\left. - i\lambda \int_0^A d\tau \int_{-\pi}^\pi d\sigma W(X^\mu(\sigma, \tau)) \right\}. \end{aligned} \quad (14)$$

By substituting equations (13) and (14) into equation (12) and making a power expansion in the coupling constant  $A$ , we obtain the String Field Theory equation (1) as a Theory of Random Cylindrical Surfaces (with boundaries being closed string configurations) interacting with an external Gaussian Stochastic Field  $W(x)$ . The Gaussian average  $\langle \dots \rangle_W$  may be straightforwardly evaluated at each order of the  $\lambda$ -power expansion and produces self-avoiding interaction among the cylindrical random surfaces similar to the usual self-avoiding Symanzik contour gas for the  $\lambda\phi^4$  Field Theory<sup>1</sup>. For instance, by neglecting the functional determinant in Eq. (12), which physically means suppressing surfaces creation - annihilation (second-quantization) process, we have the following expression for the theory's propagator

$$\begin{aligned} \langle \Phi(C^{in}) \Phi(C^{our}) \rangle^{(0)} &= \\ &= \int_0^\infty \int_{\substack{X^\mu(\sigma, 0) = C^{in} \\ X^\mu(\sigma, A) = C^{our}}} D^F[X^\mu(\sigma, \tau)] \\ &\exp \left\{ -\frac{1}{2} \int_0^A d\tau \int_{-\pi}^\pi d\sigma (\partial X^\mu)^2(\sigma, \tau) \right. \\ &\left. - \frac{\lambda^2}{2} \int_0^A d\tau - i\lambda \int_0^A d\tau \int_{-\pi}^\pi d\sigma W(X^\mu(\sigma, \tau)) \right\}. \end{aligned} \quad (15)$$

Note that self-intersecting lines are invariant under reparametrizations of the full string world sheet.

The next string quantum field correction for eq. (15) in our proposed framework will be given by

$$\begin{aligned} \langle \Phi(C^{in}) \Phi(C^{our}) \rangle^{(1)} &= \\ &= \int_0^\infty d\bar{A} \int_0^\infty \frac{dA}{A} \sum_{\{C, \bar{C}\}} \delta^{(F)}(C - \bar{C}) \times \\ &\langle \langle C | \exp[-A(\hat{\Delta}_c + i\lambda W(c))] | \bar{C} \rangle \times \\ &\langle C_{in} | \exp[-A'(\hat{\Delta}_c + i\lambda W(c))] | C_{out} \rangle \rangle_W, \end{aligned} \quad (16)$$

where

$$\delta^{(F)}(C - \bar{C}) = \prod_{\pi \leq \sigma \leq \pi} \delta^{(D)}(C_\mu(\sigma) - \bar{C}_\mu(\sigma)). \quad (17)$$

We may write eq. (16) in the form of a two-body random surface path integral with self-avoiding interactions<sup>1,4</sup>.

$$\begin{aligned} \int \langle \Phi(C^{in}) \Phi(C^{our}) \rangle^{(1)} &= \\ &= \int d\bar{A} \int_0^\infty \frac{dA}{A} \sum_{\{C, \bar{C}\}} \delta^{(F)}(C - \bar{C}) \times \\ &\int_{\substack{X_{(1)}^\mu(\sigma, 0) = C_{\mu(\sigma)} \\ X_{(1)}^\mu(\sigma, A) = \bar{C}_{\mu(\sigma)}}} D^F[X_{(1)}^\mu(\sigma, \tau)] \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \int_{\substack{X_{(2)}^\mu(\sigma, \tau) = C_{\mu}^{in}(\sigma) \\ X_{(1)}^\mu(\sigma, \tau) = C_{\mu}^{out}(\sigma)}} D^F [X_{(2)}^\mu(\sigma, \tau)] \\
 & \exp \left( -\frac{1}{2} \int_0^A d\tau \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} d\sigma (\partial X_{(1)}^\mu)^2(\sigma, \tau) \right) \times \\
 & \exp \left( -\frac{1}{2} \int_0^{\bar{A}} d\tau \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} d\sigma (\partial X_{(2)}^\mu)^2(\sigma, \tau) \right) \times \\
 & \exp \left( -\frac{\lambda^2}{2} \int_0^A d\tau \int_0^{\bar{A}} d\tau' \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} d\sigma \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} d\sigma' \delta^{(D)} X_{(1)}^\mu(\sigma, \tau) - X_{(2)}^\mu(\sigma', \tau') \right) \times \\
 & \exp \left( -\frac{\lambda^2}{2} \int_0^A d\tau \int_0^A d\tau' \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} d\sigma \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} d\sigma' \delta^{(D)} X_{(1)}^\mu(\sigma, \tau) - X_{(1)}^\mu(\sigma', \tau') \right) \times \\
 & \exp \left( -\frac{\lambda^2}{2} \int_0^{\bar{A}} d\tau \int_0^{\bar{A}} d\tau' \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} d\sigma \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} d\sigma' \delta^{(D)} X_{(2)}^\mu(\sigma, \tau) - X_{(2)}^\mu(\sigma', \tau') \right). \quad (18)
 \end{aligned}$$

Let us point out that the perturbative renormalizability of the interacting string propagator eq. (15), may be given by the renormalization group of the self-avoiding random surfaces theories<sup>4</sup>. An alternative regularization study for eq. (15) may be implemented in a pure geometrical framework as proposed in ref.[5] for the loop space formulation of point particle field theories<sup>1</sup>. In order to implement this study for random surface, we start by extracting the trivial self-intersect points  $X_\mu(\sigma, \tau) = X_\mu(\sigma', \tau')$  with  $a = a', r = r'$  from the  $\lambda^2$  interaction term of eq. (15). Thus, let us introduce a  $D$ -dimensional regularization parameter  $\Lambda$  on the self avoiding  $D$ -dimensional interaction in order to extract the (geometrical) infinities associated to the trivial self-intersect surface points

$$\begin{aligned}
 I[X_\mu(\sigma, \tau)] &= \frac{\lambda^2}{2} \int_0^A d\tau \int_0^A d\tau' \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} d\sigma \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} d\sigma' \\
 & \left( \int_{|k| < \Lambda} d^0 K \exp[iK_\mu(X_\mu(\sigma, \tau) - X_\mu(\sigma', \tau'))] \right). \quad (19)
 \end{aligned}$$

The above equation may be written in the more suitable form after introducing the extrinsic  $\lambda$  coupling constant as a scale of the  $X_\mu(\sigma, \tau)$  - field, i.e.:

$$\begin{aligned}
 I[X_\mu(\sigma, \tau)] &= \frac{1}{2} C(D) \int_0^A d\zeta \int_0^A d\zeta' \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} d\sigma \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} d\sigma' \\
 & \left( \int_0^{\Lambda'} d|K| \cdot |K|^{D/2} \frac{1}{\lambda^{2/D}} |X_\mu(\sigma, \zeta) - X_\mu(\sigma', \zeta')|^{1-D/2} \right)
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\mathcal{J}_{\frac{D}{2}-1} \left( \frac{|K|}{\lambda^{2/D}} |X_\mu(\sigma, \zeta) - X_\mu(\sigma', \zeta')| \right), \quad (20)$$

where  $C(D)$  is a constant depending only on the space time dimension and  $\mathcal{J}_\nu(x)$  denotes the usual Bessel Function of order  $\nu$ . Let us remark now that the new regularization parameter  $\Lambda'$  is dimensionless.

By power expanding the Bessel Function we reduce equation (17) to a sum of the form

$$\begin{aligned}
 J[X_\mu(\sigma, \tau)] &= \frac{1}{2} C(D) \cdot \\
 & \sum_{K=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^k (\lambda^{2/D})^k}{k! \theta^{2k} \Gamma(\frac{D}{2} - k)} I^{(k)}(X_\mu(\sigma, \tau), \Lambda'), \quad (21)
 \end{aligned}$$

where the partial contributions in equation (18) are of the form

$$\begin{aligned}
 I^{(K)}[X_\mu(\sigma, \tau), \Lambda'] &= \\
 & \int_0^{\Lambda'} d|K| \cdot |K|^{D+2K-1} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} d\sigma \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} d\sigma' \\
 & \int_0^A d\tau \int_0^A d\tau' |X_\mu(\sigma, \tau) - X_\mu(\sigma', \tau')|^{2K}. \quad (22)
 \end{aligned}$$

To regularize the infinities in equation (22), we propose to introduce the already used dimensionless parameter  $\Lambda'$  in eq. (20) on the two dimensional string space-time  $\{(a, r); -\pi \leq a \leq \pi; 0 \leq \tau \leq A\}$  by using the following unity decomposition into the integrand of equation (22)

$$\begin{aligned}
 1 &= \delta_{(\Lambda')}^{(2)}((\sigma, \tau) - (\sigma', \tau')) \\
 &+ [1 - \delta_{(\Lambda')}^{(2)}((\sigma, \tau) - (\sigma', \tau'))], \quad (23)
 \end{aligned}$$

where the regularized two dimensional delta function is given explicitly by

$$\delta_{(\Lambda')}^{(2)}((\sigma, \tau) - (\sigma', \tau')) = \begin{cases} \Lambda' & \sigma - \frac{1}{\Lambda'} \leq \sigma' \leq \sigma + \frac{1}{\Lambda'} \\ & \tau - \frac{1}{\Lambda'} \leq \tau' \leq \tau + \frac{1}{\Lambda'} \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}. \quad (24)$$

By Taylor expanding the integrand of eq. (22) around the point  $\xi = (\nu', \tau')$ , where  $\xi = (a, r)$ ,

$$\begin{aligned}
 |X_\mu(\xi) - X_\mu(\xi')|^{2k} &= \left\{ \sum_{\ell=2}^{\infty} \left[ \sum_{r_1 \geq 1, r_2 \geq 1}^{r_1+r_2=\ell} D_{\xi}^{r_1} X_\mu(\xi) D_{\xi'}^{r_2} X_\mu(\xi') |\xi - \xi'|^{r_1+r_2} \right] \right\}^k, \quad (25)
 \end{aligned}$$

inserting the identity eq. (24) and eq. (25) into eq. (22) and making use of the result

$$\begin{aligned}
& \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} d\sigma \int_0^A d\tau \delta_{\lambda^R}^{(2)}((\sigma, \tau) - (\sigma', \tau')) \\
& (\sigma - \sigma')^n (\tau - \tau')^m f(\sigma', \tau') \\
& = \begin{cases} \Lambda^{(n+m)/2} f(\sigma, \tau) & n, m = \text{even} \\ 0 & \text{otherwise,} \end{cases} \quad (26)
\end{aligned}$$

we are able to show that the most general extrinsic counter term arising from the trivial self-intersect limit  $\hbar \rightarrow \infty$  is an exponential of a four variable quadratic polynomial with a renormalized extrinsic  $\Lambda^R$  coupling constant,

$$\int_{-\pi}^{\pi} d\sigma \int_0^A d\tau \exp\{\mathcal{P}[\partial_\sigma X^\mu, \partial_\tau X^\mu, \partial_\sigma^2 X^\mu, \partial_\tau^2 X^\mu]\}. \quad (27)$$

All other contributions on the derivative order greater than the *second derivative* on the random surface vector position vanish in the trivial self intersect limit of  $\Lambda' \rightarrow \infty$ .

The contribution of the non trivial self intersect points associated to the term  $(1 - \delta_{\Lambda'}((\sigma, \tau) - (\sigma', \tau')))$  at  $\Lambda' \rightarrow \infty$  leads to a kind of surface self-avoiding topological index<sup>4</sup>

$$\int_0^A d\tau d\tau' \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} d\sigma d\sigma' \delta^{(D)}(X_\mu(\sigma, \tau) - X_\mu(\sigma', \tau')). \quad (28)$$

The slash in the integration symbols  $\int$  in eq. (28) means that the trivial self intersect points  $\mathbf{a} = \mathbf{a}'$ ,  $\mathbf{r} = \mathbf{r}'$  are excluded from the integrand.

We remark that eq. (15), after being renormalized as described above, describes a two dimensional super-renormalizable field theory on the string space-time  $\{(a, \tau), -\pi \leq \sigma \leq \pi, 0 \leq r \leq A\}$  since the counter term, eq. (27), generates a term to be added to the "free kinetic action" with the form  $\approx C(\lambda^R)[(\partial_\sigma^2 X^\mu)^2 + (\partial_\tau^2 X^\mu)^2]$  where  $C(\lambda^R)$  is a function of the extrinsic renormalized self-suppressing coupling constant.

Finally we comment that our proposed string quantum field theory is, in principle, different from those already proposed by other authors<sup>6</sup> since our interaction vertex, eq. (5), is a combination of  $D$ -dimensional delta functions and not functional delta functions as in ref. [6].

A complete study of the  $2D$  field theory, eq. (15), will be presented elsewhere.

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## Appendix A - A covariant version of the proposed $\lambda\phi^4$ String Field Theory

In this appendix we will make comments on the covariance of the theory under the action of the string diffeomorphism group.

In order to have from the beginning a covariant string field theory we must consider our theory for sub-critical strings  $D \leq 26$  ([7]). The main change in our study is that we have to take into account  $2D$  induced pure quantum gravity which is needed by the dynamical status acquired by the intrinsic metric field  $g_{ab}(\sigma, \tau)$ . This step may be easily implemented on the random surface path integrals, eqs. (15)-(18). For instance, the theory's propagator, eq. (15), will take the reparametrization invariant form<sup>7</sup>.

$$\begin{aligned}
& \langle \Phi(C^{\text{in}})\Phi(C^{\text{out}}) \rangle^{(0)} = \\
& \int_0^\infty d\lambda \int_{\substack{X^\mu(\sigma, 0) = C_{\text{in}}^\mu(\sigma) \\ X^\mu(\sigma, A) = C_{\text{out}}^\mu(\sigma)}} D^C[X^\mu(\sigma, \tau)] \\
& \int D^C[g_{ab}(\sigma, \tau)] \times \\
& \exp\left[-\frac{1}{2} \int_0^A d\tau \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} d\sigma (\sqrt{g} g^{ab} \partial_a X^\mu \partial_b X_\mu)(\sigma, \tau)\right] \\
& \times \exp\left[-\frac{\lambda^2}{2} \int_0^A d\tau \int_0^A d\tau' \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} d\sigma \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} d\sigma' \sqrt{g(\sigma, \tau)} \delta^{(D)}(X_\mu(a, r) - X_\mu(\sigma', \tau')) \right. \\
& \left. \times \sqrt{g(\sigma', \tau')}\right]. \quad (\text{A.1})
\end{aligned}$$

Unfortunately, the theory of sub-critical strings was not exactly solved yet. However, at  $D = 26$  we can show that the  $g_{ab}(\sigma, r)$  field decouples from the full string propagator, eq. (A-1), at least for the weak perturbative coupling phase for the  $\lambda$ -constant (the result for  $\lambda = 0$  was proved by Polyakov<sup>6</sup>). This result allowed us to choose and, thus, to fix the decoupling gauge  $g_{ab}(\sigma, r) = \delta_{ab}$  in our proposed theory.

It is worth to point out that in a rigorous mathematical procedure one should consider, as in usual gauge theories, first Ward - Takahashi identities associated to the diffeomorphism (non-conformal) group at  $D \leq 26$ . Thus, take the limit  $D = 26$  on these identities. Anyway, the physical objects in string theories are not the string propagators but the scattering amplitudes which are physical observables and may be calculated directly from the eq. (A-1) and tested to have the necessary invariances as shown by a perturbative analysis in  $\lambda$  coupling constant.

We remark that difficulties in considering *non gauge fixed* theories is shared by others string field theories considered in the literature as the B.R.S.T and light cone string field theories<sup>6</sup>.

As a final comment we notice that the important problem of invariances in string field theory is waiting the solution of the theory of sub-critical strings.

**Appendix B - Our proposed  $\lambda\phi^4$  String Field Theory as an infinite component field theory of string excitations**

Let us consider a harmonic oscillator expansion for the closed string configuration with  $X_\mu(\sigma) = x_\mu$ ; i.e.:

$$\tilde{X}_\mu(\sigma) = x_\mu + \sum_{\substack{n \neq 0 \\ n=-\infty}}^{+\infty} \alpha_n^\mu e^{in\sigma}. \quad (B.1)$$

In this base, the second quantized string field will be decomposed in all possible string excitations<sup>6</sup>

$$\Phi[X_\mu(\sigma)] = \mathcal{O}(x) + A_\mu(x)\mathcal{A}_{(1)}^\mu + \dots(\mu_1 \dots \mu_N(x)\mathcal{A}_{(N)}^{\mu_1} \dots \mathcal{A}_{(N)}^{\mu_N}) + \dots \quad (B.2)$$

The sum over all closed string configurations are weighted by (see eq.(2))

$$\int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} d^0x \int \prod_{(N,\mu)} d\mathcal{A}_{(N)}^\mu e^{-|\mathcal{A}_{(N)}^\mu|^2}. \quad (B.3)$$

The Feynman product measure, eq. (4), is factorized in the product of all Feynman measures associated to the point-like field string excitations, eq. (B-2), and thus

$$D^F[\Phi(C)] = \prod_{N=1}^{\infty} D^F[\mu_1 \dots \mu_N(x)] D^F(\varphi(x)), \quad (B.4)$$

with

$$\hat{\Delta}_c = -\frac{\partial^2}{\partial x_\mu^2} + \sum_{\substack{(N \neq 1) \\ N=-\infty}}^{\infty} \frac{\partial^2}{\partial \mathcal{A}_N^\mu \partial \mathcal{A}_{-N}^\mu}. \quad (B.5)$$

Finally our proposed vertex takes the form

$$\delta^{(D)}(C_0 - C_1) = \int d^0k \exp iK^\mu \left[ \sum_{N=-\infty}^{+\infty} \mathcal{A}_N^{\mu,(0)} e^{iN\sigma} - \sum_{N=-\infty}^{+\infty} \mathcal{A}_N^{\mu,(1)} e^{iN\sigma} \right]. \quad (B.6)$$

After substituting the above written equations in our proposed action, eq.(1), we obtain an interacting infinite-component field theory associated to the string excitations.

Fortunately, our random surface representation is a compact and conceptually simple way to understand and study this cumbersome infinite component point like field theory associated to the string field theory describe by eq. (1).

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