

# Phenomenology of Continuum Superpartners

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# Introduction

we are considering a supersymmetric theory with an approximate conformal sector. The conformal sector is soft broken at TeV scale, the superpartners of SM particles develop a continuum above a mass gap.

# the AdS<sub>5</sub> metric

The 5D  $AdS_5$  metric written in the conformal coordinates :

$$ds^2 = \left(\frac{R}{z}\right)^2 (\eta_{\mu\nu} dx^\mu dx^\nu - dz^2) .$$

In **RS2** model, there is only a UV cut off. The spectrum is **Unparticles** without Mass Gap.

In **RS1** model, there are two branes, one UV brane  $z_{UV} = \epsilon$  and one IR brane  $z_{IR} = L$ . The spectrum is discrete **KK modes**, the splitting of those KK modes depends on the position of the IR brane.

# SUSY fields in AdS5

The  $\mathcal{N} = 1$  SUSY in 5D is equivalent to  $\mathcal{N} = 2$  SUSY in 4D. An  $\mathcal{N} = 2$  hypermultiplet  $\Psi$  can be decomposed into two  $\mathcal{N} = 1$  chiral superfields  $\Phi = \{\phi, \chi, F\}$  and  $\Phi_c = \{\phi_c, \psi, F_c\}$ , where the two Weyl fermions  $\chi$  and  $\psi$  form a Dirac fermion. The 5D action for matter fields can be written as:

$$S = \int d^4x dz \left\{ \int d^4\theta \left(\frac{R}{z}\right)^3 [\Phi^* \Phi + \Phi_c \Phi_c^*] + \right. \\ \left. + \int d^2\theta \left(\frac{R}{z}\right)^3 \left[ \frac{1}{2} \Phi_c \partial_z \Phi - \frac{1}{2} \partial_z \Phi_c \Phi + m(z) \frac{R}{z} \Phi_c \Phi \right] + h.c. \right\} ,$$

for  $m(z)R = c$ , we get a supersymmetric Randall-Sundrum Model. Wavefunctions for the bulk fields are **Bessel Functions**.

# soft wall model

Here we want to realize the scenario of one zero mode plus continuum spectrum with a mass gap. Taking  $m(z)R = c + \mu z$ , Soft breaking CFT in the large IR will generate a mass gap between the zero mode and the continuum spectrum.

Figure 1: zero mode plus continuum spectrum in the soft wall model

# matter fields in the bulk

Decompose the 5D field into the product of 4D field and a profile:

$$\begin{aligned}\chi(p, z) &= \chi_4(p) \left( \frac{z}{z_{UV}} \right)^2 f_L(p, z), & \phi(p, z) &= \phi_4(p) \left( \frac{z}{z_{UV}} \right)^{3/2} f_L(p, z), \\ \psi(p, z) &= \psi_4(p) \left( \frac{z}{z_{UV}} \right)^2 f_R(p, z), & \phi_c(p, z) &= \phi_{c4}(p) \left( \frac{z}{z_{UV}} \right)^{3/2} f_R(p, z),\end{aligned}$$

- **Susy** relates the profiles of scalars and fermions,  $\chi$  and  $\phi$  has the same 5D profiles.
- $f_L$  and  $f_R$  are related by the first order 5D differential equations.

# the 5D equations of motion

the Equations of Motion for the profiles are:

$$\frac{\partial^2}{\partial z^2} f_R + \left( p^2 - \mu^2 - 2\frac{\mu c}{z} - \frac{c(c-1)}{z^2} \right) f_R = 0$$

$$\frac{\partial^2}{\partial z^2} f_L + \left( p^2 - \mu^2 - 2\frac{\mu c}{z} - \frac{c(c+1)}{z^2} \right) f_L = 0$$

- solutions are first kind and second kind of **Whittaker Functions**.
- zero mode profiles are  $f_L^0(z) \sim e^{-\mu z} z^{-c}$  and  $f_R^0(z) \sim e^{\mu z} z^c$ .
- when  $z \rightarrow \infty$ , the coefficients of the second term goes to  $(p^2 - \mu^2)$ ,  
 $\Rightarrow$  a continuum with mass gap.

# the 5D profile functions

their solutions can be expressed as:

$$\begin{aligned} f_L(p, z) &= a \cdot M\left(-\frac{c\mu}{\sqrt{\mu^2 - p^2}}, \frac{1}{2} + c, 2\sqrt{\mu^2 - p^2}z\right) \\ &+ b \cdot W\left(-\frac{c\mu}{\sqrt{\mu^2 - p^2}}, \frac{1}{2} + c, 2\sqrt{\mu^2 - p^2}z\right) \\ f_R(p, z) &= a \cdot \frac{2(1 + 2c)\sqrt{\mu^2 - p^2}}{p} M\left(-\frac{c\mu}{\sqrt{\mu^2 - p^2}}, -\frac{1}{2} + c, 2\sqrt{\mu^2 - p^2}z\right) \\ &+ b \cdot \frac{p}{(\mu + \sqrt{\mu^2 - p^2})} W\left(-\frac{c\mu}{\sqrt{\mu^2 - p^2}}, -\frac{1}{2} + c, 2\sqrt{\mu^2 - p^2}z\right) \\ \kappa &\equiv -\frac{c\mu}{\sqrt{\mu^2 - p^2}}, \end{aligned}$$

$M$  is the first kind Whittaker Function and  $W$  is the second kind Whittaker Function.  $a$  and  $b$  are determined by boundary conditions.

# gauge fields in the bulk

A 5D  $\mathcal{N} = 1$  vector supermultiplet can be decompose into a 4D  $\mathcal{N} = 1$  vector supermultiplet  $V = (A_\mu, \lambda_1, D)$  and a 4D  $\mathcal{N} = 1$  chiral supermultiplet  $\chi = ((\Sigma + iA_5)/\sqrt{2}, \lambda_2, F_\chi)$ .

$$S_V = \int d^4x dz \cdot \frac{R}{z} \frac{1}{4} \int d^2\theta W_\alpha W^\alpha \Phi + h.c. \\ + \int d^4x dz \cdot \frac{R}{z} \frac{1}{2} \int d^4\theta \left( \partial_z V - \frac{R}{z} \frac{(\chi + \chi^\dagger)}{\sqrt{2}} \right)^2 (\Phi + \Phi^\dagger)$$

dilaton field can gain a VEV  $\langle \Phi \rangle = e^{-2uz}/g_5^2$ , which will generate a mass gap for the continuum mode.

adding gauge fixing term (unitary gauge):

$$S_{GF} = - \int d^5x \frac{R}{z} \cdot \frac{e^{-2uz}}{g_5^2} \frac{1}{2} \left( \partial_\mu A^\mu + \frac{z}{R} \partial_z \left( \frac{R}{z} A_5 \right) + A_5 \partial_z (\ln \Phi) \right)^2$$

by analogy with the matter fields, for the gauge fields, we have:

$$\begin{aligned} \lambda_1(p, z) &= \chi_4(p) e^{uz} \left( \frac{z}{z_{UV}} \right)^2 h_L & A_\mu(p, z) &= A_{\mu 4}(p) e^{uz} \left( \frac{z}{z_{UV}} \right)^{1/2} h_L \\ \lambda_2(p, z) &= \psi_4(p) e^{uz} \left( \frac{z}{z_{UV}} \right)^2 h_R & \Sigma &= \phi_4(p) e^{uz} \left( \frac{z}{z_{UV}} \right)^{3/2} h_R \end{aligned}$$

- $h_L$  and  $h_R$  are  $f_L$  and  $f_R$  evaluated at  $c = 1/2$ .
- zero mode profile for the gauge boson is **constant**  $\Rightarrow$  zero mode gauge boson coupling to matter fields are universal.

# 5D scalar propagator

The propagator for the left handed scalar field satisfies the following homogeneous equations in **momentum-position** space:

$$\begin{aligned} \left( \partial_z^2 - \frac{3}{z} \partial_z + \left( c^2 + c - \frac{15}{4} \right) \frac{1}{z^2} + \frac{2c\mu}{z} + (\mu^2 - p^2) \right) P(p, z, z') \\ = \left( \frac{z_{UV}}{z} \right)^{-3} i\delta(z - z') \end{aligned}$$

- in the region of  $z < z'$  and  $z > z'$ , the solutions are Whittaker functions.
- propagator in the two region will be matched at  $z = z'$ .
- we prefer to choose another two independent solutions  $K(p, z)$  and  $S(p, z)$ , which are linear combinations of Whittaker functions. This definition can be generalized to warped space with **generic metric**.

# two independent solutions

$$K(p, z) = \left( \frac{z}{z_{UV}} \right)^{3/2} \frac{W(\kappa, \frac{1}{2} + c, 2\sqrt{\mu^2 - p^2} z)}{W(\kappa, \frac{1}{2} + c, 2\sqrt{\mu^2 - p^2} z_{UV})}$$

$$S(p, z) = \left( \frac{z}{z_{UV}} \right)^{3/2} \frac{1}{2\sqrt{\mu^2 - p^2}} \frac{\Gamma(1+c-\kappa)}{\Gamma(2+2c)} \\ \left( M(\kappa, \frac{1}{2} + c, 2\sqrt{\mu^2 - p^2} z) W(\kappa, \frac{1}{2} + c, 2\sqrt{\mu^2 - p^2} z_{UV}) \right. \\ \left. - W(\kappa, \frac{1}{2} + c, 2\sqrt{\mu^2 - p^2} z) M(\kappa, \frac{1}{2} + c, 2\sqrt{\mu^2 - p^2} z_{UV}) \right)$$

$$\kappa \equiv -\frac{c\mu}{\sqrt{\mu^2 - p^2}},$$

these two functions satisfying the following boundary conditions ( $K(p, z)$  damping in the  $z$  region):

$$K(p, z_{UV}) = 1; \quad S(p, z_{UV}) = 0 \quad \text{and} \quad S'(p, z_{UV}) = 1$$

# boundary condition for propagator

- for the solution  $P_{<}(p, z, z')$  in the  $z < z'$  region, we can impose UV boundary condition, at the  $z = z_{UV}$  brane:

$$\left(\partial_z + \frac{1}{z}\left(-\frac{3}{2} + c + \mu z\right)\right) P_{<}(p, z, z')\Big|_{z=z_{UV}} = 0$$

- for the solution  $P_{>}(p, z, z')$  in the  $z > z'$  region, we require the propagator exponentially damping for large Euclidean momenta and large  $z$ , so that it can only contain the function  $K(p, z)$ .
- at the point of  $z = z'$ ,  $P_{<}(p, z, z')$  and  $P_{>}(p, z, z')$  can be matched by the following two connection conditions.

$$\begin{aligned} P_{<}(p, z, z') - P_{>}(p, z, z')\Big|_{z=z'} &= 0 \\ \partial_z P_{<}(p, z, z') - \partial_z P_{>}(p, z, z')\Big|_{z=z'} &= i \left(\frac{z_{UV}}{z}\right)^{-3} \end{aligned}$$

# expression for propagator

In the basis of  $K(p, z)$  and  $S(p, z)$ , our scalar propagator can be expressed as, for  $z < z'$ :

$$P(p, z, z') = \frac{K(p, z)K(p, z')}{\Pi(p)} - S(p, z)K(p, z')$$

for  $z > z'$ , exchange the position of  $z$  and  $z'$ . The second term in the propagator will vanish on the UV brane.

expression for  $\Pi(p)$  is also concise in this basis:

$$\Pi(p) = \frac{p^2}{(\mu + \sqrt{\mu^2 - p^2})} \cdot \frac{W\left(-\frac{c\mu}{\sqrt{-p^2 + \mu^2}}, \frac{1}{2} - c, 2\sqrt{-p^2 + \mu^2} z_{UV}\right)}{W\left(-\frac{c\mu}{\sqrt{-p^2 + \mu^2}}, \frac{1}{2} + c, 2\sqrt{-p^2 + \mu^2} z_{UV}\right)}$$

## interesting phenomenology

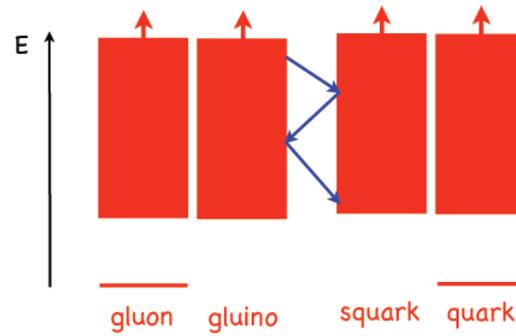


Figure 1: possible extended decay chain with continuum spectrum

# neutrino decay in soft wall model

we are considering one decay chain similar to **Figure 2**, neutrino decays into selectron then decays back into neutrino.

$p_1$  is the four momentum for  $\chi_1$ ,  $k_1$  is the four momentum for  $\chi_2$ ,  $k_2$  is the four momentum for  $e^-$ , and  $k_3$  is the four momentum for  $e^+$ .  $q = p_1 - k_2$  and  $m$  is the mass for the selectron.

when the intermediate selectron is a single particle, we can use the **narrow width approximation**:

$$\frac{1}{q^2 - m^2 + im \Gamma_{total}} = P\left(\frac{1}{q^2 - m^2}\right) + i\pi\delta(q^2 - m^2)$$

if  $\Gamma_{total} \ll m$ , the imaginary part of the propagator gives the main contribution and on shell decaying dominates.

when the intermediate mode is a **continuum spectrum**, situation may become different:

- Putting an **IR brane** in the soft wall model, so that the continuum mode will become quasi continuum. The splitting between the KK modes should be less than the mass gap.
- we need to integrate the **overlapping** of neutrino wavefunctions and the selectron propagator to get the vertex.

$$v(p_1, q, k_1) = N_e^2 N_{\chi_1} N_{\chi_2} \int_{z_{UV}}^{z_{IR}} dz \int_{z_{UV}}^{z_{IR}} dz' e^{(u-\mu)z} z^{1/2-c} h_L(p_1, z) \cdot e^{(u-\mu)z'} z'^{1/2-c} h_L(k_1, z') \cdot P(q, z, z')$$

- we can calculate the differential decay rate with respect to the first electron energy for the three body neutrino decay:

$$\frac{d\Gamma}{dE_2} = e^4 |v(p_1, q, k_1)|^2 \frac{E_2^2 (2E_2 \sqrt{p_1^2 - p_1^2} + k_1^2)}{32(2E_2 - \sqrt{p_1^2}) \sqrt{p_1^2} \pi^3}$$

- fixing the mass of initial neutrino, and summing over all the final neutrino states, from the mass gap  $\mu$  to the initial neutrino mass  $\sqrt{p_1^2}$ . here is an example:

selectron:  $c = 0.5$ , and  $\mu = 0.4$  TeV.

neutrino:  $u = 0.2$  TeV.

Initial neutrino mass: 1.59 TeV

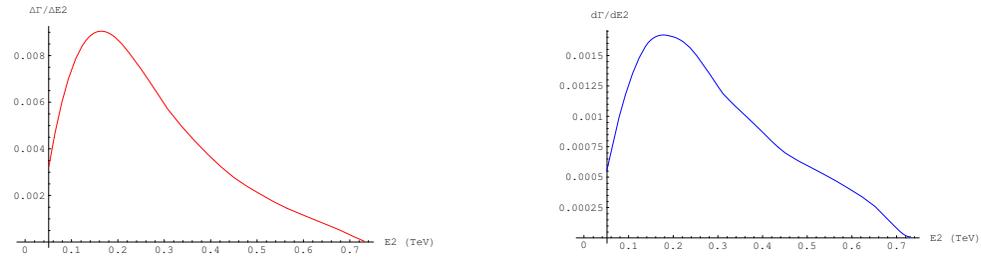


Figure 1:  $z_{UV} = 10^{-3} \text{ TeV}^{-1}$ ,  $z_{IR} = 30 \text{ TeV}^{-1}$ . Left one (red one) is for two body decay and right one (blue one) is for three body decay

# conclusion

- the two body decay rate is peaked at small electron energy. neutrino prefers to decay into selectron whose mass is close to it. Reducing the mass of selectron increases the **phase space** but decreases the **profile overlapping**.
- for the three body decay, after summing over all the final states, the decay rate is also peaked at small energy.
- **Extended** decay chain is possible in continuum spectrum situation