Introduction to Gauge/Gravity Duality

Examples VIII

To hand in Friday 5th December in the examples class

I. Fefferman-Graham expansion

Consider the (d+1)-dimensional AdS metric in the form

$$ds^{2} = L^{2} \left(\frac{d\rho^{2}}{4\rho^{2}} + \frac{1}{\rho} g_{ij}(x,\rho) dx^{i} dx^{j} \right) .$$
 (1)

Consider a scalar field in this space with boundary expansion

$$\Phi(x,\rho) = \rho^{(d-\Delta)/2}\phi(x,\rho), \qquad (2)$$

$$\phi(x,\rho) = \phi_{(0)}(x) + \rho\phi_{(2)}(x) + \rho^2\phi_{(4)}(x) + \dots$$
(3)

- a) Derive the equation of motion for the scalar $\phi(x, \rho)$. (2 points)
- b) Using the equation of motion, show that

$$\phi_{(2)}(x) = \frac{1}{2(2\Delta - d - s)} \Box_{(0)} \phi_{(0)}(x) \,. \tag{4}$$

(3 points)

II. Penrose-Brown-Henneaux Transformation

Show that, when transforming the metric

$$ds^{2} = L^{2} \frac{d\rho^{2}}{4\rho^{2}} + \frac{1}{\rho} g_{\mu\nu} dx^{\mu} dx^{\nu}$$
(5)

according to the Penrose-Brown-Henneaux diffeomorphism

$$\rho = \rho'(1 - 2\sigma(x')) \qquad x^{\mu} = (x')^{\mu} + a^{\mu}(x', \rho') \tag{6}$$

and demanding that

$$g'_{55} = g_{55}$$
 and $g'_{\mu 5} = g_{\mu 5}$, (7)

one obtains

$$\partial_5 a^\mu = \frac{L^2}{2} g^{\mu\nu} \partial_\nu \sigma \tag{8}$$

and

$$g_{\mu\nu} \to g_{\mu\nu} + 2\sigma \left(1 - \rho \frac{\partial}{\partial \rho}\right) g_{\mu\nu} + \nabla_{\mu} a_{\nu} + \nabla_{\mu} a_{\nu} \,.$$
 (9)

Note that the index 5 stands for the ρ direction. Explain why this transformation induces a Weyl transformation at the boundary. 5 points