Light mesons and glueballs in a bottom-up approach to holographic QCD

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outline:



- QCD a candidate for holographic description
- AdS/QCD models: top-down vs bottom-up, hard-wall vs soft-wall



light mesons in the soft-wall model





comments on results, drawbacks, perpectives, ...

AdS/CFT correspondence conjecture & QCD



AdS/CFT correspondence involves conformal and supersymmetric field theories in $M_{\rm 4}$



QCD is not conformal (neither supersymmetric): it has a mass gap Λ_{QCD}



- However, in the UV, neglecting quark mass and radiative effects, QCD is a nearly conformal theory
- QCD counting rules, behaviour of form factors at large momentum transfer
- light cone sum rule analyses

QCD a candidate for a description inspired by AdS/CFT

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Two conditions to be implemented:

UV -> conformal behaviour -> AdS space IR -> modification (at least) of the AdS geometry of the bulk

AdS/QCD: extradimensional models, motivated by the AdS/CFT correspondence conjecture, developed to compute low energy QCD observables Features of the models:

- large N_c limit of QCD implemented
- spontaneous chiral symmetry breaking
- match IR to UV in the best possible way (reminding the Migdal's program for the QCD correlation functions)

A few results seem universal (robust against variations of the model) Others can be used to select the best model top-down approach to $AdS/QCD \longrightarrow Erdmenger's$ talk

start from a string theory in high dimensions and try to construct a low dimensional theory with features similar to QCD

At large N the theory has a weakly coupled dual description via AdS/CFT corr.

Gluonium (Csaki, Ooguri, Oz, de Mello, Mihailescu, Nunez, Russo, Terning, Minahan, Brower, Matur, Tan, ,...) D3/D7 branes and flavour (Karch, Katz, Weiner, Sakai, Sonnenshein, Babington, Evans, Erdmenger, Guralnik, Kirsh, Nunez, Paredes, Ramallo, Sugimoto, Caseres, Paredes, Talavera, Vaman, ...)

bottom-up approach to AdS/QCD

-> Gursoy's talk

start from known QCD phenomenology and try to understand which feature its high dimension gravitational dual should have

- Select the geometry of the extradimensions
- Model chiral symmetry breaking pattern
- Model hadrons as KK modes in the extra dimensions

Low lying hadron spectra (Boschi-Filho, Braga, Brodsky, de Teramond, Yong, Strassler, Hirn, Sanz,...) Light-front hadronic wave functions and form factors (Brodsky, de Teramond,, Grigoryan, Radyushkin, ...) Structure functions (Polchinsky and Strassler,... Pire, Roisnel, Symanowski and Wallon) Q Q potential (Andreev, Zakharov, ...) QCD condensates (Hirn, Sanz, Andreev, Zakharov, ...)



AdS/QCD translator

4D	5D
gauge invariant QCD operator O(x) hadrons with quantums numbers of O hadron mass ² conformal dimension ∆	field $\Psi(x,z)$ normalizable modes $\psi_n(x,z)$ eigenvalue of a 5D wave eq. 5D mass m ₅ $m_5^2 R^2 = (\Delta - p)(\Delta + p - 4)$
small distances, large momenta mass gap Λ_{QCD} decay constant $\langle 0 0 $ hadron \rangle	small z z_{IR} , background dilaton $\frac{\psi'(z)}{z^n}\Big _{z\to 0}$



 $\Psi_0(x)$ coupled to the QCD operator O(y) in M_4 via $\int_{M_4} d^4x \Psi_0(x) O(x)$

$$\left\langle \exp i \int_{M_4} \Psi_0 O \right\rangle_{CFT(QCD)}$$
 from $\exp(iS_{AdS}(\Psi))$

AdS/QCD hard wall model (Erlich, Katz, Son and Stephanov, Da Rold and Pomarol, Brodsky and de Teramond,)

• AdS₅ metric
$$ds^2 = \frac{R^2}{z^2}(dx^2 + dz^2)$$
 slice 0 < z < z_{IR}

Chiral symmetry: - two sets of conserved currents in QCD: $J_{L,R}^{\mu} = \overline{q} \gamma^{\mu} \frac{1 \mp \gamma_5}{2} q$ - two bulk gauge fields in 5D: $A_{L,R}^{M}(x,z)$

Chiral symmetry breaking:

- in QCD characterized by m_q and the condensate $\langle \overline{q}_{R}^{\alpha} q_{L}^{\beta} \rangle \propto \delta^{\alpha\beta}$ $(\alpha, \beta = 1...N_{f})$
- a massive scalar bulk field in 5D

 $X^{\alpha\beta}$ bifundamental with respect to $SU(N_f)_L \times SU(N_f)_R$

$$X=X_0 e^{2i\Pi(x,z)}$$
 with $X_0(z) \rightarrow m_q z + \langle \bar{q}q \rangle z^3$ (z->0)

• action:
$$S_{AdS} = -\frac{1}{k} \int d^5 x \sqrt{|g|} \left[\left| DX \right|^2 + m_5^2 X^2 + \frac{1}{4g_5^2} Tr \left(F_L^2 + F_R^2 \right) \right]$$
$$D_M X = \partial_M X - iA_{LM} X + iXA_{RM}$$

boundary conditions at $z=z_{IR}$: $D_z X=0$; $F_{zM} =0$

Define vector and axial fields $V=(A_L + A_R)/2$ $A=(A_L - A_R)/2$

Equation for the vector field:

$$\partial_z \left(\frac{1}{z}\partial_z V(q,z)\right) - \frac{q^2}{z}V(q,z) = 0$$
 + bc -> spectrum (ρ mass)

Quadratic action for the axial field

$$S^{A(2)} = -\frac{1}{k} \int d^4 x dz Tr \left[\frac{X_0^2(z)}{z^3} \left(A_M - \partial_M \pi \right)^2 + \frac{1}{4g_5^2 z} \left(F_{(A)MN} F_{(A)}^{MN} \right) \right]$$

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results	Observable	Measured	Model	parameters
Erlich, Katz,		(MeV)	(MeV)	z _{IR} =1/(346 MeV) (-308 MeV) ³
Son and Stephanov	m_{π}	139.6	141	m ₂ = 2.3 MeV
	$m_ ho$	775.8	832	q =
	m_{a_1}	1230	1220	
	f_{π}	92.4	84.0	
	$F_{ ho}^{1/2}$	345	353	
	$F_{a_1}^{1/2}$	433	440	
		6.03	5.29	
	m_{f_2}	1275	1236	

08 MeV)³ MeV

- some hadronic parameters reproduced
- GMOR relation obtained
- dependence:

 $m_n^2 \sim n^2$

experiment: linear Regge trajectories $m_n^2 \sim n$

AdS/QCD soft wall model (Karch, Katz, Son and Stephanov, Andreev, Radyushkin,)



c parameter setting the scale of hadronic quantities

Light scalar mesons in the soft-wall (De Fazio, Giannuzzi, Nicotri, Jugeau, PC, PRD 2008)

$$S = -\frac{1}{k} \int d^5 x \sqrt{|g|} e^{-\varphi(z)} \left[\left| DX \right|^2 + m_5^2 X^2 + \frac{1}{4g_5^2} Tr \left(F_L^2 + F_R^2 \right) \right]$$

 $X=(X_0(z)+S_1(x,z)+S_8(x,z))e^{2i\Pi(x,z)}$

mass spectrum

eom for each S:
$$\partial_z \left(\frac{R^3}{z^3} e^{-\Phi(z)} \partial_z \tilde{S}\right) + 3 \frac{R^3}{z^5} e^{-\Phi(z)} \tilde{S} - q^2 \frac{R^3}{z^3} e^{-\Phi(z)} \tilde{S} = 0$$

admit normalizable solutions, corresponding to discrete values of q^2 : $m_{S_n}^2 = -q_n^2$



linear Regge trajectory also for scalars same slope (as in constituent quark models)

$$R_{f_0(a_0)} = \frac{m_{f_0(a_0)}^2}{m_{\rho^0}^2} = \frac{3}{2}$$

notice: c sets the mass scale

 $f_0(980)$ and $a_0(980)$ masses reproduced

$$R_{f_0}^{\exp} = 1.597 \pm 0.033$$

 $R_{a_0}^{\exp} = 1.612 \pm 0.004$

Two point correlation function of the scalar operator

$$\begin{split} \Pi^{AB}_{\rm QCD}(q^2) &= i \int d^4 x e^{iq \cdot x} \langle 0 | T[\mathcal{O}^A_S(x) \mathcal{O}^B_S(0)] | 0 \rangle \qquad \text{A,B flavor index} \\ \Pi^{AB}_{\rm AdS}(q^2) &= \delta^{AB} \frac{R^3 c^4}{k} S\!\left(\!\frac{q^2}{c^2}, \hat{z}^2\right) \frac{e^{-\Phi(\hat{z})}}{\hat{z}^3} \,\partial_{\hat{z}} S\!\left(\!\frac{q^2}{c^2}, \hat{z}^2\right) \Big|_{\hat{z} \to 0}, \end{split}$$

bulk to boundary propagator of the scalar field

$$\Pi_{\text{AdS}}^{AB}(q^2) = \delta^{AB} \frac{4c^2 R}{k} \left[\left(\frac{q^2}{4c^2} + \frac{1}{2} \right) \ln(c^2 z^2) + \left(\gamma_E - \frac{1}{2} \right) \right. \\ \left. + \frac{q^2}{4c^2} \left(2\gamma_E - \frac{1}{2} \right) \right. \\ \left. + \left(\frac{q^2}{4c^2} + \frac{1}{2} \right) \psi \left(\frac{q^2}{4c^2} + \frac{3}{2} \right) \right] \right|_{z=z_{\text{min}}}$$
(32)
Euler function



AdS/QCD $F_{a_0} = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{\pi}c^2 = 0.08 \text{ GeV}^2$ QCD estimate $F_{a_0} = \langle 0|\mathcal{O}_S^3|a_0(980)^0 \rangle = (0.21 \pm 0.05) \text{ GeV}^2$ short distance expansion:

$$\Pi_{QCD}^{AB}(q^2) = \frac{\delta^{AB}}{2} \left[\frac{3}{8\pi^2} \left(1 + \frac{11\alpha_s}{3\pi} \right) q^2 \ln(\frac{q^2}{\nu^2}) + \frac{3}{q^2} \langle m_q \overline{q}q \rangle + \frac{1}{8q^2} \langle \frac{\alpha_s}{\pi} G^2 \rangle \right. \\ \left. + \frac{m_q g_s}{2q^4} \langle (\overline{q}\sigma_{\mu\nu}\lambda^a q) G^a_{\mu\nu} \rangle + \frac{\pi\alpha_s}{q^4} \langle (\overline{q}\sigma_{\mu\nu}\lambda^a q)^2 \rangle \right. \\ \left. + \frac{2\pi\alpha_s}{3q^4} \langle (\overline{q}\gamma_\mu\lambda^a q) \sum_{q=u,d} \overline{q}\gamma_\mu\lambda^a q \rangle + O(1/q^6) \right]$$

$$\Pi_{AdS}^{AB}(q^2) = \delta^{AB} \frac{R}{k} \left[q^2 \ln(\frac{q^2}{\nu^2}) + q^2 \left(2\gamma_E - \ln 4 - \frac{1}{2} \right) + 2c^2 \left(\ln(\frac{q^2}{\nu^2}) - \ln 4 + 2\gamma_E + 1 \right) \right. \\ \left. + \frac{2}{3} \frac{c^4}{q^2} + \frac{4}{3} \frac{c^6}{q^4} + O(1/q^6) \right]$$

$$(34)$$

short distance expansion: UV matching

$$\begin{split} \Pi^{AB}_{QCD}(q^2) &= \frac{\delta^{AB}}{2} \left[\frac{3}{8\pi^2} \left(1 + \frac{11\alpha_s}{3\pi} \right) q^2 \ln(\frac{q^2}{\nu^2}) + \frac{3}{q^2} \langle m_q \overline{q} q \rangle + \frac{1}{8q^2} \langle \frac{\alpha_s}{\pi} G^2 \rangle \right. \\ &+ \left. \frac{m_q g_s}{2q^4} \left\langle (\overline{q} \sigma_{\mu\nu} \lambda^a q) G^a_{\mu\nu} \right\rangle + \frac{\pi \alpha_s}{q^4} \left\langle (\overline{q} \sigma_{\mu\nu} \lambda^a q)^2 \right\rangle \\ &+ \left. \frac{2\pi \alpha_s}{3q^4} \left\langle (\overline{q} \gamma_\mu \lambda^a q) \sum_{q=u,d} \overline{q} \gamma_\mu \lambda^a q \right\rangle + O(1/q^6) \right] \end{split}$$

$$\Pi_{AdS}^{AB}(q^2) = \delta^{AB} \frac{R}{k} \left[q^2 \ln(\frac{q^2}{\nu^2}) + q^2 \left(2\gamma_E - \ln 4 - \frac{1}{2} \right) + 2c^2 \left(\ln(\frac{q^2}{\nu^2}) - \ln 4 + 2\gamma_E + 1 \right) \right]$$

$$+ \frac{2}{3}\frac{c^4}{q^2} + \frac{4}{3}\frac{c^6}{q^4} + O(1/q^6) \right]$$

the matching fixes R/k independent of the mass scale c short distance behaviour only controlled by AdS

$$\frac{R}{k} = \frac{N_c}{16\pi^2}$$

(34)

short distance expansion: power corrections and condensates

$$\Pi_{QCD}^{AB}(q^2) = \frac{\delta^{AB}}{2} \left[\frac{3}{8\pi^2} \left(1 + \frac{11\alpha_s}{3\pi} \right) q^2 \ln(\frac{q^2}{\nu^2}) + \frac{3}{q^2} \langle m_q \overline{q} q \rangle + \frac{1}{8q^2} \langle \frac{\alpha_s}{\pi} G^2 \rangle \right]$$
$$+ \frac{m_q g_s}{2q^4} \langle (\overline{q} \sigma_{\mu\nu} \lambda^a q) G^a_{\mu\nu} \rangle + \frac{\pi \alpha_s}{q^4} \langle (\overline{q} \sigma_{\mu\nu} \lambda^a q)^2 \rangle$$
$$+ \frac{2\pi \alpha_s}{3q^4} \langle (\overline{q} \gamma_\mu \lambda^a q) \sum_{\mu} \overline{q} \gamma_\mu \lambda^a q \rangle + O(1/q^6) \right]$$

d=4 gluon condensate term in the power expansion

$$\Pi_{AdS}^{AB}(q^2) = \delta^{AB} \frac{R}{k} \left[q^2 \ln(\frac{q^2}{\nu^2}) + q^2 \left(2\gamma_E - \ln 4 - \frac{1}{2} \right) + 2c^2 \left(\ln(\frac{q^2}{\nu^2}) - \ln 4 + 2\gamma_E + 1 \right) \right]$$

q=u,d

$$+ \frac{2}{3}\frac{c^4}{q^2} + \frac{4}{3}\frac{c^6}{q^4} + O(1/q^6) \bigg]$$

$$\langle \frac{\alpha_s}{\pi} G^2 \rangle = \frac{2}{\pi^2} c^4 \simeq 0.004 \text{ GeV}^4$$

commonly used value

$$\left< \frac{\alpha_s}{\pi} G^2 \right> \simeq 0.012 \ {\rm GeV^4}$$

short distance expansion: power corrections and condensates

$$\Pi_{QCD}^{AB}(q^2) = \frac{\delta^{AB}}{2} \left[\frac{3}{8\pi^2} \left(1 + \frac{11\alpha_s}{3\pi} \right) q^2 \ln(\frac{q^2}{\nu^2}) + \frac{3}{q^2} \langle m_q \overline{q}q \rangle + \frac{1}{8q^2} \langle \frac{\alpha_s}{\pi} G^2 \rangle \right. \\ \left. + \frac{m_q g_s}{2q^4} \left\langle (\overline{q}\sigma_{\mu\nu}\lambda^a q) G^a_{\mu\nu} \right\rangle + \frac{\pi\alpha_s}{q^4} \left\langle (\overline{q}\sigma_{\mu\nu}\lambda^a q)^2 \right\rangle \right]$$

d=6 gluon condensate terms

$$\Pi_{AdS}^{AB}(q^2) = \delta^{AB} \frac{R}{k} \left[q^2 \ln(\frac{q^2}{\nu^2}) + q^2 \left(2\gamma_E - \ln 4 - \frac{1}{2} \right) + 2c^2 \left(\ln(\frac{q^2}{\nu^2}) - \ln 4 + 2\gamma_E + 1 \right) \right]$$

$$+ \frac{2}{3}\frac{c^4}{q^2} + \frac{4}{3}\frac{c^6}{q^4} + O(1/q^6) \bigg]$$

differences in size and sign with respect to common values short distance expansion: power corrections and condensates

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+
$$\frac{m_q g_s}{2q^4} \left\langle (\overline{q} \sigma_{\mu\nu} \lambda^a q) G^a_{\mu\nu} \right\rangle + \frac{\pi \alpha_s}{q^4} \left\langle (\overline{q} \sigma_{\mu\nu} \lambda^a q)^2 \right\rangle$$

+
$$\frac{2\pi\alpha_s}{3q^4}\left\langle \left(\overline{q}\gamma_\mu\lambda^a q\right)\sum_{q=u,d}\overline{q}\gamma_\mu\lambda^a q\right\rangle + O(1/q^6)$$

D=2 condensate term missing in the QCD expansion

$$\Pi_{AdS}^{AB}(q^2) = \delta^{AB} \frac{R}{k} \left[q^2 \ln(\frac{q^2}{\nu^2}) + q^2 \left(2\gamma_E - \ln 4 - \frac{1}{2} \right) + 2c^2 \left(\ln(\frac{q^2}{\nu^2}) - \ln 4 + 2\gamma_E + 1 \right) \right]$$

$$+ \frac{2}{3}\frac{c^4}{q^2} + \frac{4}{3}\frac{c^6}{q^4} + O(1/q^6) \bigg]$$
(34)

the existence of a d=2 condensate term in the QCD OPE old debated issue (no local gauge invariant QCD operator of dimension two) various possibilities considered (Zakharov, Narison, Schilcher, Dominguez,...) strong coupling of scalar mesons to light pseudoscalars g_{SPP} obtained from a three-point correlation function

soft-wall: g_{SPP} related to the $X_0(z)$ field introduced to implement χSB small value obtained for g_{SPP} (= 10 MeV)

$$g_{S_0PP} = \frac{\sqrt{N_c}}{4\pi} \frac{m_{S_0}^2}{f_{\pi}^2} Rc \int_0^{\infty} d\hat{z} \, e^{-\hat{z}^2} v(\hat{z}) \, .$$

v(z) (=X₀(z)/2) solution of $\partial_z \left(\frac{R^3}{z^3}e^{-\Phi(z)}\partial_z v(z)\right) + 3\frac{R^3}{z^5}e^{-\Phi(z)}v(z) = 0,$

regular solution:
$$v(z) \xrightarrow[z \to 0]{} \frac{m_q z}{R} - \frac{c^2 m_q}{2R} \left(1 - 2\gamma_E - 2\ln(cz) - \psi(3/2)\right) z^3$$

coefficients of z and z³ terms related -> linear relation quark mass/quark condensate (not in QCD)

in QCD couplings expected to be large: $g_{a_0\eta\pi} = 12 \pm 6 \text{ GeV}$

soft wall model incomplete

possible way out : add potential terms of the field X in the action

model parameters + dilaton background fixed by the meson spectrum glueball operators <-> bulk fields according to the AdS/CFT rules

	ala glaeball 0 = 0
4D	5D
$O = Tr (F^2)$ $\Delta = 4$	X(x,z) $m_5^2 = 0$ AdS ₅ metric $g_{MN} = e^{2A(z)}\eta_{MN}$ $A(z) = \ln\frac{R}{z}$
	back. dilaton $\varphi(z) = c^{-} z^{-}$ action $S = -\frac{1}{2k} \int d^{5}x \sqrt{ g } e^{-\varphi(z)} g^{MN} \partial_{M} X \partial_{N} X$
	field eq. $\partial_M \left[\sqrt{ g } e^{-\varphi(z)} g^{MN} \partial_N X(x,z) \right] = 0$

Scalar alueball TPC= O++

Spectrum:
$$m_{G_n}^2 = 4c^2(n+2)$$

Pseu	udoscalar glueball J ^{pC} = 0 ⁻⁺
4D	5D
$O = Tr(F\tilde{F})$	Y(x,z)
$\Delta = 4$	$m_5^2 = 0$
Spectrum	$: m_{P_n}^2 = 4c^2(n+2)$
	Vector glueball J ^{PC} = 1
4D	5D
O = Tr(F(DF)F)	$A_M(x,z)$
$\Delta = 7$	$m_5^2 = 24$
Landau Yung Pomeranchuk	
action $S = -\frac{1}{2k} \int d^5 x \sqrt{ g } e^{-\varphi(z)} \left[\frac{1}{2} g^{MN} g^{ST} F_{MN} F_{ST} + m_5^2 g^{ST} A_S A_T \right]$	
Spectrum	$m_{V_n}^2 = 4c^2(n+3)$

all results together

J ^{PC} = 0 ⁺⁺	$m_{G_n}^2 = 4c^2(n+2)$	$m_{0^{++}}^2 = 2m_{\rho}^2$
J ^{PC} = 0 ⁻⁺	$m_{P_n}^2 = 4c^2(n+2)$	$m_{0^{-+}}^2 = m_{0^{++}}^2$
J ^{PC} = 1	$m_{V_n}^2 = 4c^2(n+3)$	$m_{1^{}}^2 = 3m_{\rho}^2$

- model determined using parameters fixed by vector meson analysis
 Regge behaviour
 - Regge trajectories of mesons and glueballs with the same slopes
- \bigcirc glueballs heavier than ρ meson
- 🙁 scalar and pseudoscalar glueballs degenerate
- 🙂 vector glueballs heavier than scalar
- glueball masses lighter than obtained by other methods (LQCD, QCDsr)

the two-point correlation function of scalar glueball operators shows features similar to meson operators

At short distances:

$$\Pi_{QCD}(q^2) = C_0 q^4 \left(-\ln\left(\frac{q^2}{\nu^2}\right) + 2 - \frac{1}{\varepsilon'} \right) + C_4 \langle \mathcal{O}_4 \rangle + \frac{C_6}{q^2} \langle \mathcal{O}_6 \rangle + \frac{C_8}{q^4} \langle \mathcal{O}_8 \rangle$$

$$\Pi_{AdS}(q^2) = \frac{R^3}{k} \left\{ q^4 \cdot \frac{1}{8} \left[2 - 2\gamma_E + \ln 4 - \ln(\frac{q^2}{\nu^2}) \right] \right. \\ \left. + q^2 \left[-\frac{c^2}{2} \ln(\frac{q^2}{\nu^2}) + \frac{c^2}{4} \left(1 - 4\gamma_E + 2\ln 4 \right) \right] + \frac{c^4}{6} \left(12\widetilde{B} - 5 \right) + \frac{2c^6}{3} \frac{1}{q^2} - \frac{4c^8}{15} \frac{1}{q^4} + O\left(\frac{1}{q^6}\right) \right\}$$

$$\begin{split} \langle \mathcal{O}_4 \rangle \; &=\; \langle \frac{\alpha_s}{\pi} \, F^a_{\mu\nu} \, F^{\mu\nu a} \rangle \\ \text{condensates} \; \langle \mathcal{O}_6 \rangle \; &=\; \langle g_s f_{abc} \, F^a_{\mu\nu} \, F^b_{\nu\rho} \, F^c_{\rho\mu} \rangle \\ \langle \mathcal{O}_8 \rangle \; &=\; 14 \langle \left(f_{abc} \, F^a_{\mu\alpha} \, F^b_{\nu\alpha} \right)^2 \rangle - \langle \left(f_{abc} \, F^a_{\mu\nu} \, F^b_{\alpha\beta} \right)^2 \rangle \end{split}$$

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stability with respect to perturbations of the geometry or of the dilaton

the background can be perturbed in different ways

$$\varphi = c^2 z^2 + \lambda z$$
 perturbing
the dilaton
 $A = \ln\left(\frac{R}{z}\right)$

$$\varphi = c^2 z^2$$

 $A = \ln\left(\frac{R}{z}\right) - \lambda z$
perturbing the metric

the results are different

	Modifying the dilaton	
0 ⁺ glueballs	1^{-} glueballs	5.5
• $m_0^2 = 8 + \lambda \frac{3\sqrt{\pi}}{2}$	• $m_0^2 = 12 + \lambda \frac{189\sqrt{\pi}}{128}$	
• $m_1^2 = 12 + \lambda \frac{27\sqrt{\pi}}{16}$	• $m_1^2 = 16 + \lambda \frac{105\sqrt{\pi}}{64}$	3 0 2 4 6 8 10 n
• $m_2^2 = 16 + \lambda \frac{237\sqrt{\pi}}{128}$	• $m_2^2 = 20 + \lambda \frac{14667\sqrt{\pi}}{8192}$	Figure: Mass shifts for scalar (red dia- monds) and vector glueballs (blue boxes)
	Modifying the geometry	
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0 ⁺ glueballs	Modifying the geometry 1 glueballs	28
0^+ glueballs • $m_0^2 = 8 + \lambda \frac{9\sqrt{\pi}}{2}$	Modifying the geometry 1^{-} glueballs • $m_0^2 = 12 - \lambda \frac{1323\sqrt{\pi}}{128}$	Market Ma
0 ⁺ glueballs • $m_0^2 = 8 + \lambda \frac{9\sqrt{\pi}}{2}$ • $m_1^2 = 12 + \lambda \frac{81\sqrt{\pi}}{16}$	Modifying the geometry 1^{-} glueballs $m_0^2 = 12 - \lambda \frac{1323\sqrt{\pi}}{128}$ $m_1^2 = 16 - \lambda \frac{1239\sqrt{\pi}}{64}$	

mass difference between scalar and vector glueballs increased by modifying the geometry) (







- The gluon condensate and the low energy theorem are not obtained in the standard approach
- Appearance of a D=2 condensates



Indications for possible improvements (modify geometry and dilaton at intermediate z)

The AdS/QCD model with (quadratic) dilaton reproduces the Cornell potential





Find the surface with minimal energy using the Nambu-Goto action

$$V(r) = -\frac{\alpha}{r} + const + \sigma^{2}r$$
string tension compatible with phenomenology
short distance term

Conclusions & perspectives

*** AdS/QCD models present some features of the old models of QCD



- Some troubles in the power expansion of the two point correlation functions: extra terms, values of the condensates different from the conventional ones
- Soft-wall model: difficulties in correctly describing chiral symmetry breaking: possible improvement by adding terms in the action

New way of looking at the hadron physics

The features/drawbacks of currently used models show that they are incomplete -> improvement needed -> lot of activity foreseen in the future