

AdS-CFT correspondence for the massive Rarita-Schwinger field

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The complete solution to the massive Rarita-Schwinger field equation in anti-de Sitter space is constructed, and used in the AdS-CFT correspondence to calculate the correlators for the boundary conformal field theory. It is found that when no condition is imposed on the field solution, there appear two different boundary conformal field operators, one coupling to a Rarita-Schwinger field and the other to a Dirac field. These two operators are seen to have different scaling dimensions, with that of the spinor-coupled operator exhibiting a nonanalytic mass dependence.

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I. INTRODUCTION

The Maldacena conjecture [1] asserts that there exists a holographic correspondence [2] between field theories on $(d+1)$ -dimensional AdS space and conformal field theories (CFT's) on the d -dimensional boundary of this space. This correspondence has been made more precise in [1,3–6] and investigated for specific cases in [7–17]. We do not attempt to give a comprehensive list of references here, but refer the reader to the literature. A recent review of the Maldacena conjecture can be found in [18]. According to this correspondence principle, the action for the field theory in the bulk AdS space written in terms of the boundary values of the fields serves as a generating functional for a field theory which lives on the flat boundary space. This can be written

$$\begin{aligned} Z_{AdS}[\psi_{(0)}] &= \int_{\psi_{(0)}} \mathcal{D}\psi e^{-I[\psi]} \\ &= Z_{CFT}[\psi_{(0)}] = \langle \exp(\int_{\partial AdS} d^d x \mathcal{O} \psi_{(0)}) \rangle, \end{aligned} \quad (1)$$

where $\psi_{(0)}$ is the boundary field, and acts as a source for the operator \mathcal{O} . Dealing with a classical field, an approximation to this path integral may be obtained. Since in the present case we consider a free field, this classical treatment becomes exact.¹

We will choose the AdS metric to be $g_{\mu\nu} = (1/x^0)^2 \delta_{\mu\nu}$ so that the boundary is at $x^0 = 0$. Since the metric diverges on this boundary, we must regularize by multiplying by a function with a suitable zero on the boundary [5]. The fact that this function is otherwise unspecified is the origin of the conformal invariance in the boundary field theory.

Of particular interest here are [12,13,16,17] which also deal with the Rarita-Schwinger field, but impose restrictions on the solution of the field equation. We construct the general solution and find that when no such restrictions are imposed, there appear two fields on the d -dimensional bound-

ary; both a Dirac spinor and a spin 3/2 Rarita-Schwinger field couple to boundary conformal field operators, which as a result have different conformal scaling dimensions. To find these conformal field correlators, we use the Dirichlet boundary value problem method exhibited in, for example, [9] for the case of a Dirac spinor field. Since the action vanishes on-shell, a surface term must be added. Two equivalent methods [19,20] of determining this term have been investigated, and the method of [20] has recently been used in [17].

In following this prescription, we solve the equations of motion in Sec. II. The surface term to add to the action is found using the method of [20] in Sec. III, and finally in Sec. IV the CFT correlators are calculated. These correlators are fixed, up to a multiplicative factor, by conformal invariance [21,22]. The results obtained are consistent with these considerations.

II. SOLVING THE CLASSICAL FIELD EQUATIONS

Although the equations of motion have been solved in [12] for the massless case, in [13] for the case of $\gamma^\mu \psi_\mu = 0$, and also in [16], we find it necessary to construct explicitly the complete solution to the massive² case while imposing no restrictions.

Our index conventions are $\mu, \nu, \dots = 0 \dots d$ and $i, j, \dots = 1 \dots d$. We choose the metric of AdS_{d+1} to be $g_{\mu\nu} = (1/x^0)^2 \delta_{\mu\nu}$ so that AdS space is given by $x^0 > 0$. The boundary with which we shall be concerned is at $x^0 = 0$, where the metric is singular. The Rarita-Schwinger action is given by

$$I = \int d^{d+1}x \sqrt{g} \bar{\psi}_\mu [\Gamma^{\mu\nu\sigma} \tilde{D}_\nu - m_1 g^{\mu\sigma} - m_2 \Gamma^{\mu\sigma}] \psi_\sigma. \quad (2)$$

D_ν denotes the covariant derivative, Γ_μ are curved space Dirac matrices so that $\Gamma_\mu = e_\mu^a \gamma_a$ where $\{\gamma_a, \gamma_b\} = 2\delta_{ab}$ are Euclidean Dirac matrices, which are taken to be Hermitian, and the vielbein is given by $e_\mu^a = (1/x^0) \delta_\mu^a$. More than one

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¹An investigation of the AdS-CFT correspondence which deals with quantum interactions is given in [10].

²As pointed out in [16], one must consider $m_1 \neq 0$ in the case of supergravity on $AdS_5 \times S^5$ [23].

index on these matrices indicates antisymmetrization (including $1/n!$). Varying the above action gives the Rarita-Schwinger equation

$$[\Gamma^{\mu\nu\sigma}D_\nu - m_1 g^{\mu\sigma} - m_2 \Gamma^{\mu\sigma}] \psi_\sigma = 0 \quad (3)$$

and its conjugate

$$\bar{\psi}_\mu [\Gamma^{\mu\nu\sigma} \tilde{D}_\nu + m_1 g^{\mu\sigma} + m_2 \Gamma^{\mu\sigma}] = 0. \quad (4)$$

We will find it convenient to write the former in the equivalent form

$$\Gamma^\nu [D_\nu \psi_\mu - D_\mu \psi_\nu] + \frac{m_+}{d-1} \Gamma_\mu \Gamma^\nu \psi_\nu - m_- \phi_\mu = 0 \quad (5)$$

which can be seen by using $\Gamma^{\mu\nu\sigma} = 1/2(\Gamma^\nu \Gamma^\sigma \Gamma^\mu - \Gamma^\mu \Gamma^\sigma \Gamma^\nu)$. To solve this equation generally, we first contract with D_μ to obtain

$$\Gamma^{\mu\nu\sigma} [D_\mu, D_\nu] \psi_\sigma - 2m_1 D^\mu \psi_\mu - m_2 \Gamma^{\mu\nu} D_{[\mu} \psi_{\nu]} = 0. \quad (6)$$

The commutator $[D_\mu, D_\nu] \psi_\sigma$ can be expressed as

$$[D_\mu, D_\nu] \psi_\sigma = \left(\frac{1}{2} \partial_{[\mu} \omega_{\nu]} + \frac{1}{4} [\omega_\mu, \omega_\nu] \right) \psi_\sigma = \frac{1}{2} R_{\mu\nu} \psi_\sigma, \quad (7)$$

where the spin connection is given by

$$\omega_\mu^{AB} = \frac{1}{x^0} (\delta_0^A \delta_\mu^B - \delta_0^B \delta_\mu^A) \quad (8)$$

and $\omega_\mu = \omega_\mu^{AB} \Sigma_{AB}$. The computation of $R_{\mu\nu}$ is simplified if we make use of the fact that the space is maximally symmetric [24]. We find

$$R_{\mu\nu} = \frac{R}{2d(d+1)} [\Gamma_\mu, \Gamma_\nu] \quad (9)$$

and in our metric $R = -d(d+1)$ so that

$$\Gamma^{\mu\nu\sigma} [D_\mu, D_\nu] \psi_\sigma = \frac{d(d-1)}{2} \Gamma^\sigma \psi_\sigma \quad (10)$$

and Eq. (6) becomes

$$m_2 \not{D} (\Gamma^\mu \psi_\mu) + m_- D^\mu \psi_\mu + \frac{d(d-1)}{4} \Gamma^\mu \psi_\mu = 0. \quad (11)$$

Now we contract Eq. (3) with Γ_μ . Using $\Gamma_\mu \Gamma^{\mu\nu\sigma} = (d-1) \Gamma^{\mu\nu}$ we find

$$\not{D} (\Gamma^\mu \psi_\mu) - D^\mu \psi_\mu + \frac{m_1 + dm_2}{1-d} \Gamma^\mu \psi_\mu = 0. \quad (12)$$

Combining Eqs. (11) and (12) to eliminate $D^\mu \psi_\mu$, we obtain a Dirac equation

$$[\not{D} - C] (\Gamma^\nu \psi_\nu) = 0 \quad (13)$$

where

$$C = \frac{d(d-1)}{4m_1} + \frac{(m_1 + dm_2)m_-}{m_1(d-1)} \quad (14)$$

and for convenience we have defined $m_\pm = m_1 \pm m_2$. It can also be shown from Eqs. (11) and (12) that $m_1 = 0$ implies $\gamma^\mu \psi_\mu = 0$. Since this case has been considered in [12] and [13], we assume $m_1 \neq 0$.

Now we specialize to our coordinate system and write Eq. (13) as

$$\left(x^0 \not{\partial} - \frac{d}{2} \gamma_0 - C \right) \gamma \cdot \psi = 0, \quad (15)$$

where we will now work only with the components $\psi_a \equiv e_a^\mu \psi_\mu$.

This equation has been solved in [9] by differentiating to obtain a second-order equation, and has the solution which does not diverge as $x^0 \rightarrow \infty$

$$\gamma \cdot \psi = (kx^0)^{(d+1)/2} [A^{(1)} K_{C+1/2}(kx^0) + A^{(3)} K_{C-1/2}(kx^0)], \quad (16)$$

where $A^{(1)}$ and $A^{(3)}$ are spinors which do not depend on x^0 . Since this form of the solution was found via a second order equation, Eq. (16) needs to be substituted back into the first-order equation (15) in order to find these spinors. We write $x = (x^0, \mathbf{x})$, and we will work in Fourier space with respect to the non-zero-index components of the field,

$$\tilde{\psi}_\mu(x^0, \mathbf{k}) = \int d^d x e^{i\mathbf{k} \cdot \mathbf{x}} \psi_\mu(x). \quad (17)$$

Since we will soon need to work with several other first-order equations and doing the full calculation every time would be tedious, we calculate the following formula:

$$\begin{aligned}
& [x^0 \gamma_0 \partial_0 - i x^0 \mathbf{k} \cdot \boldsymbol{\gamma} - n \gamma_0 - P] (k x^0)^l [(A^{(1)} + k x^0 A^{(2)}) K_{q+1/2} + (A^{(3)} + k x^0 A^{(4)}) K_{q-1/2}] \\
& = (k x^0)^l \left\{ K_{q+1/2} \left[\left(l - n - q - \frac{1}{2} \right) \gamma_0 - P \right] A^{(1)} + K_{q-1/2} \left[\left(l - n + q - \frac{1}{2} \right) \gamma_0 - P \right] A^{(3)} \right. \\
& \quad + (k x^0) K_{q+1/2} \left[-i \frac{\mathbf{k} \cdot \boldsymbol{\gamma}}{k} A^{(1)} + \left(\left(l - n - q + \frac{1}{2} \right) \gamma_0 - P \right) A^{(2)} - \gamma_0 A^{(3)} \right] \\
& \quad + (k x^0) K_{q-1/2} \left[-i \frac{\mathbf{k} \cdot \boldsymbol{\gamma}}{k} A^{(3)} + \left(\left(l - n + q + \frac{1}{2} \right) \gamma_0 - P \right) A^{(4)} - \gamma_0 A^{(1)} \right] \\
& \quad \left. + (k x^0)^2 K_{q+1/2} \left[-i \frac{\mathbf{k} \cdot \boldsymbol{\gamma}}{k} A^{(2)} - \gamma_0 A^{(4)} \right] + (k x^0)^2 K_{q-1/2} \left[-i \frac{\mathbf{k} \cdot \boldsymbol{\gamma}}{k} A^{(4)} - \gamma_0 A^{(2)} \right] \right\}, \quad (18)
\end{aligned}$$

where P, l, n, q are arbitrary constants, the A are spinors which may depend on \mathbf{k} , and from now on we omit the arguments $(k x^0)$ of the Bessel functions. Our present case of $\gamma \cdot \tilde{\psi}$ corresponds to Eq. (18) with $A^{(2)} = A^{(4)} = 0$ and $q = P = C$, $n = d/2$, $l = (d+1)/2$. Requiring the resulting right-hand side (RHS) of Eq. (18) to vanish gives $A^{(1)}$ and $A^{(3)}$, so that, writing $k = |\mathbf{k}|$,

$$\gamma \cdot \tilde{\psi} = (k x^0)^{(d+1)/2} \left[i \frac{\mathbf{k} \cdot \boldsymbol{\gamma}}{k} K_{C+1/2} + K_{C-1/2} \right] b_0^+(\mathbf{k}), \quad (19)$$

where b_0^+ is a free spinor function of \mathbf{k} . (We will consistently use $+$ and $-$ superscripts to denote eigenspinors of γ_0 with eigenvalues $+1$ and -1 .)

The equation of motion (3) may be written

$$\begin{aligned}
& \left[x^0 \gamma \cdot \partial - \frac{d}{2} \gamma_0 - m_- \right] \psi_a \\
& + \left[\frac{3}{2} \delta_{a0} - x^0 \partial_a - \frac{1}{2} \gamma_0 \partial_a + \frac{m_+}{d-1} \gamma_a \right] \gamma \cdot \psi = \gamma_a \psi_0. \quad (20)
\end{aligned}$$

The $a=0$ component of Eq. (20) is

$$\begin{aligned}
& \left[x^0 \gamma_0 \partial_0 - i x^0 \mathbf{k} \cdot \boldsymbol{\gamma} - \left(\frac{d}{2} + 1 \right) \gamma_0 - m_- \right] \tilde{\psi}_0 \\
& = \left(x^0 \partial_0 - 1 - \frac{m_+}{d-1} \gamma_0 \right) \gamma \cdot \tilde{\psi}. \quad (21)
\end{aligned}$$

We will find both a particular and homogeneous solution for Eq. (21). Since we already know the RHS, we make the ansatz

$$\begin{aligned}
\tilde{\psi}_0^P & = (k x^0)^{(d+1)/2} [(A^{(1)} + (k x^0) A^{(2)}) K_{C+1/2} \\
& + (A^{(3)} + (k x^0) A^{(4)}) K_{C-1/2}]. \quad (22)
\end{aligned}$$

[Note that we re-use the parameters $A^{(1)}, A^{(2)}, A^{(3)}, A^{(4)}$ each time we do a calculation with Eq. (18).] Reading off the LHS of Eq. (21) as the RHS from Eq. (18) with $P = m_-$, $q = C$, $n = d/2 + 1$, $l = (d+1)/2$ and matching the coefficients of the

linearly independent functions of $k x^0$ with those on the RHS of Eq. (21), we obtain equations which can be solved for the A parameters. The result is

$$\begin{aligned}
\tilde{\psi}_0^P & = (k x^0)^{(d+1)/2} \left\{ K_{C+1/2} \left[i \mu_2 \frac{\mathbf{k} \cdot \boldsymbol{\gamma}}{k} + \mu_3 (k x^0) \right] b_0^+ \right. \\
& \quad \left. + K_{C-1/2} \left[-\mu_1 + i \mu_3 (k x^0) \frac{\mathbf{k} \cdot \boldsymbol{\gamma}}{k} \right] b_0^+ \right\}, \quad (23)
\end{aligned}$$

where

$$\begin{aligned}
\mu_1 & = \frac{\frac{m_+}{d-1} - C - \frac{d}{2} + 1}{C - m_- - 1}, \quad \mu_2 = \frac{\frac{m_+}{d-1} - C + \frac{d}{2} - 1}{C - m_- - 1}, \\
\mu_3 & = \frac{1 + \mu_1 + \mu_2}{C + m_-}. \quad (24)
\end{aligned}$$

Useful relations involving these constants are contained in the Appendix.

The homogeneous version of Eq. (21) is exactly the same as Eq. (15) but with $d/2$ and C replaced by $d/2 + 1$ and m_- , respectively. Therefore our solution is Eq. (19) with the same changes:

$$\tilde{\psi}_0^H = (k x^0)^{(d+3)/2} \left[i \frac{\mathbf{k} \cdot \boldsymbol{\gamma}}{k} K_{m_-+1/2} + K_{m_- - 1/2} \right] c_0^+(\mathbf{k}). \quad (25)$$

The complete solution for $\tilde{\psi}_0$ is just the sum of the two parts (23) and (25).

To find $\tilde{\psi}_i$ we use the $a=i$ components of Eq. (20),

$$\begin{aligned}
& \left[x^0 \gamma_0 \partial_0 - i x^0 \mathbf{k} \cdot \boldsymbol{\gamma} - \frac{d}{2} \gamma_0 - m_- \right] \tilde{\psi}_i \\
& = \gamma_i \tilde{\psi}_0 + \left[\frac{1}{2} \gamma_0 \gamma_i - i x^0 k_i - \frac{m_+}{d-1} \gamma_i \right] \gamma \cdot \tilde{\psi}. \quad (26)
\end{aligned}$$

On the RHS of Eq. (26), we have terms from Eqs. (23), (25), and (19). These terms all consist of some power of $k x^0$ and a

Bessel function of order $C \pm \frac{1}{2}$ or $m_- \pm \frac{1}{2}$. We consider $\tilde{\psi}_i$ in three parts: $\tilde{\psi}_i = \tilde{\psi}_i^H + \tilde{\psi}_i^C + \tilde{\psi}_i^{m-}$. The homogeneous equation is once again the same as Eq. (15) with the replacement $C \rightarrow m_-$, so we have

$$\tilde{\psi}_i^H = (kx^0)^{(d+1)/2} \left[i \frac{\mathbf{k} \cdot \boldsymbol{\gamma}}{k} K_{m_-+1/2} + K_{m_- - 1/2} \right] b_i^+(\mathbf{k}) \quad (27)$$

where $b_i^+(\mathbf{k})$ is free. Re-using our A parameters in Eq. (18), we make the ansatz

$$\tilde{\psi}_i^C = (kx^0)^{(d+1)/2} [(A_i^{(1)} + (kx^0)A_i^{(2)})K_{C+1/2} + (A_i^{(3)} + (kx^0)A_i^{(4)})K_{C-1/2}]. \quad (28)$$

Evaluating Eq. (18) with $P = m_-$, $q = C$, $n = d/2$, $l = (d+1)/2$ and matching the result with the corresponding Bessel functions on the RHS of Eq. (26) we obtain five equations for the four parameters, but they are consistent, and the result is

$$\begin{aligned} \tilde{\psi}_i^C = & (kx^0)^{(d+1)/2} \\ & \times \left\{ K_{C+1/2} \left[-i \frac{\mu_2 - \frac{m_+}{d-1} + \frac{1}{2}}{C+m_-} \gamma_i - kx^0 \mu_3 \frac{k_i}{k} \right] \right. \\ & \times \frac{\mathbf{k} \cdot \boldsymbol{\gamma}}{k} b_0^+ \\ & \left. + K_{C-1/2} \left[\frac{\mu_1 + \frac{m_+}{d-1} + \frac{1}{2}}{C+m_-} \gamma_i + ikx^0 \mu_3 \frac{k_i}{k} \right] b_0^+ \right\}. \quad (29) \end{aligned}$$

Exactly the same procedure, using the ansatz

$$\tilde{\psi}_i^{m-} = (kx^0)^{(d+1)/2} [(A_i^{(1)} + (kx^0)A_i^{(2)})K_{m_-+1/2} + (A_i^{(3)} + (kx^0)A_i^{(4)})K_{m_- - 1/2}] \quad (30)$$

yields the solution

$$\begin{aligned} \tilde{\psi}_i^{m-} = & (kx^0)^{(d+1)/2} \left\{ K_{m_-+1/2} \left[i \frac{\mathbf{k} \cdot \boldsymbol{\gamma}}{k} c_i^+(\mathbf{k}) \right. \right. \\ & - (2m_- + 1) \frac{k_i}{k} \frac{\mathbf{k} \cdot \boldsymbol{\gamma}}{k} c_0^+ + \gamma_i c_0^+ + i(kx^0) \frac{k_i}{k} c_0^+ \left. \right] \\ & \left. + K_{m_- - 1/2} \left[c_i^+(\mathbf{k}) - (kx^0) \frac{k_i}{k} \frac{\mathbf{k} \cdot \boldsymbol{\gamma}}{k} c_0^+ \right] \right\}, \quad (31) \end{aligned}$$

where $c_i^+(\mathbf{k})$ is free.

At this point we notice that when Eqs. (27), (29), and (31) are combined, the free quantities c_i^+ and b_i^+ always appear together as $c_i^+ + b_i^+$; we thus lose no generality in choosing $c_i^+ = 0$.

Lastly, for the entire solution to be consistent, we require that $\gamma_0 \tilde{\psi}_0 + \gamma_i \tilde{\psi}_i$ calculated from Eqs. (23), (25) and Eqs. (27), (29), (31) be equal to the same quantity $\boldsymbol{\gamma} \cdot \tilde{\boldsymbol{\psi}}$ given by Eq. (19). Equating the two gives a formula

$$c_0^+ = i \frac{1 + \mu_1}{m_1} \frac{\mathbf{k} \cdot \mathbf{b}^+}{k} \quad (32)$$

and also a condition on the otherwise free b_i^+

$$\boldsymbol{\gamma} \cdot \mathbf{b}^+ = 0. \quad (33)$$

The complete solution for the field $\tilde{\psi}_a$ is thus given by Eqs. (23) and (25),

$$\begin{aligned} \tilde{\psi}_0 = & (kx^0)^{(d+1)/2} \left\{ K_{C+1/2} \left[i \mu_2 \frac{\mathbf{k} \cdot \boldsymbol{\gamma}}{k} + (kx^0) \mu_3 \right] b_0^+ \right. \\ & + K_{C-1/2} \left[-\mu_1 + i(kx^0) \mu_3 \frac{\mathbf{k} \cdot \boldsymbol{\gamma}}{k} \right] b_0^+ + kx^0 \\ & \times \left[-\frac{\mathbf{k} \cdot \boldsymbol{\gamma}}{k} K_{m_-+1/2} + i K_{m_- - 1/2} \right] \frac{1 + \mu_1}{m_1} \frac{\mathbf{k} \cdot \mathbf{b}^+}{k} \left. \right\}, \quad (34) \end{aligned}$$

and by Eqs. (27), (29), and (31):

$$\begin{aligned} \tilde{\psi}_i = & (kx^0)^{(d+1)/2} \left\{ K_{C+1/2} \left[i \frac{1 + \mu_2}{d} \gamma_i - kx^0 \mu_3 \frac{k_i}{k} \right] \frac{\mathbf{k} \cdot \boldsymbol{\gamma}}{k} b_0^+ + K_{C-1/2} \left[\frac{1 + \mu_1}{d} \gamma_i + i(kx^0) \mu_3 \frac{k_i}{k} \right] b_0^+ \right. \\ & + K_{m_-+1/2} \left[i \frac{\mathbf{k} \cdot \boldsymbol{\gamma}}{k} b_i^+ \right. \\ & - (2m_- + 1) \frac{k_i}{k} \frac{\mathbf{k} \cdot \boldsymbol{\gamma}}{k} c_0^+ + \gamma_i c_0^+ + i(kx^0) \frac{k_i}{k} c_0^+ \left. \right] \\ & \left. + K_{m_- - 1/2} \left[b_i^+ - i(kx^0) \frac{k_i}{k} \frac{\mathbf{k} \cdot \boldsymbol{\gamma}}{k} c_0^+ \right] \right\} \quad (35) \end{aligned}$$

where $b_0^+(\mathbf{k})$ is free, and $b_i^+(\mathbf{k})$ are subject only to Eq. (33).

It can be seen that the solutions found in [12] and [13] are special cases of the above. In order to compare our result with that of [16], it is convenient to Fourier transform the solution given in [16], and we find that they coincide. In the form given here, the solution is of similar structure to those

obtained with scalar [7] and vector or spinor [9] fields. In addition, as will see in Sec. IV, this k -space solution is much easier to work with than the x -space counterpart in terms of the limiting behavior near the AdS boundary. Due to this complication in [16], only the restricted case $b_0 = 0$ was considered. As mentioned in Sec. IV, because we eliminate the b

parameters, any restrictions imposed on them will artificially constrain the boundary behavior of the fields.

The form of the solution to the conjugate equation (4) may be found by conjugating Eqs. (34) and (35). Care must be taken when defining the “bar” operation. We define it in the following way:

$$\bar{X} \equiv X^\dagger|_{m \rightarrow -m} \quad (36)$$

where $m \rightarrow -m$ means that we change the sign of both m_1 and m_2 . Under this operation, $m_- \rightarrow -m_-$, $m_+ \rightarrow -m_+$, $C \rightarrow -C$, $\mu_1 \leftrightarrow \mu_2$, and $\mu_3 \rightarrow -\mu_3$. It is of special importance to realize that ψ and $\bar{\psi}$ are independent quantities; taking the conjugate of ψ in this way only gives the form of the solution for $\bar{\psi}$, and the resulting arbitrary functions $\bar{b}_i(\mathbf{k})$ and $\bar{b}_0(\mathbf{k})$ will be unrelated to b_i and b_0 . In all other cases, the operation of conjugation will produce not independent quantities, but conjugated ones. We will make frequent use of this notation in the remainder of this paper.

III. ADDING A SURFACE TERM TO THE ACTION

The action vanishes on-shell, so something must be added in order to obtain a generating functional for the boundary CFT. We here follow the procedure given in [20]. Upon varying the action (2) we find that in order to obtain the Euler-Lagrange equations of motion (3) and (4), we must discard a surface term. Usually it is understood that only field configurations which fall off to zero at infinity are considered in the variational procedure, and this surface term thus does not contribute. However, in AdS space this term appears as an integral over the boundary, with the result that the equations of motion do not faithfully represent the condition for the action to be an extremum. The solution is to

add to the action a term which, when varied, exactly cancels this contribution. This procedure is discussed in detail in [20] and carried out for the Rarita-Schwinger field in [17]. The result is that the term we need to add to the action is, in the notation of [20],

$$C_\infty = \frac{1}{2} \int d^d x (\bar{\psi}_{i(0)} \psi_{i(0)} + \bar{\psi}_{i(0)} \gamma_i \gamma_j \psi_{j(0)}). \quad (37)$$

Thus when we insert the classical solution into the action, only this surface term remains and it can be written in the form

$$I = \frac{1}{2} \int \frac{d^d k}{(2\pi)^d} (\bar{\psi}_{i(0)}(\mathbf{k}) \psi_{i(0)}(-\mathbf{k}) + \bar{\psi}_{i(0)}(\mathbf{k}) \gamma_i \gamma_j \psi_{j(0)}(-\mathbf{k})). \quad (38)$$

We shall use this in the next section to calculate the correlators. This amounts to doing the k integration in Eq. (38) and taking the $\epsilon \rightarrow 0$ limit. As observed in [9], this must be done with care by formulating a Dirichlet boundary value problem not simply at $x^0=0$ but at ϵ and taking the limit at the end.

IV. BOUNDARY CFT CORRELATOR

In the case of a spinor field [9], it was found that as the boundary at $x^0 = \epsilon \rightarrow 0$ is approached, ψ^+ and ψ^- are related by a factor of some power of ϵ with the consequence that one may be specified on the boundary, while the other must vanish. Since we will find the same behavior in the present case, we split the field into two parts, ψ^+ and ψ^- . We now set about inverting Eq. (35) to write the parameters b_i and b_0 in terms of the boundary fields $\psi_i(k\epsilon)$, which we will abbreviate as $\psi_{i\epsilon}$. From Eq. (35) we have

$$\psi_{i\epsilon}^+ = (k\epsilon)^{(d+1)/2} \left\{ i \left[K_{C+1/2} \frac{1+\mu_2}{d} \gamma_i \frac{\mathbf{k} \cdot \boldsymbol{\gamma}}{k} + k\epsilon K_{C-1/2} \mu_3 \frac{k_i}{k} \right] b_0^+ + K_{m_- - 1/2} b_i^+ - k\epsilon K_{m_- + 1/2} \frac{1+\mu_1}{m_1} \frac{k_i}{k} \frac{\mathbf{k} \cdot \mathbf{b}^+}{k} \right\}, \quad (39)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \psi_{i\epsilon}^- = (k\epsilon)^{(d+1)/2} & \left\{ \left[K_{C-1/2} \frac{1+\mu_1}{d} \gamma_i - k\epsilon K_{C+1/2} \mu_3 \frac{k_i}{k} \frac{\mathbf{k} \cdot \boldsymbol{\gamma}}{k} \right] b_0^+ \right. \\ & \left. + i K_{m_- + 1/2} \frac{\mathbf{k} \cdot \boldsymbol{\gamma}}{k} b_i^+ + \left[K_{m_- + 1/2} \left(\gamma_i - (2m_- + 1) \frac{\mathbf{k} \cdot \boldsymbol{\gamma}}{k} \frac{k_i}{k} \right) - k\epsilon K_{m_- - 1/2} \frac{k_i}{k} \frac{\mathbf{k} \cdot \boldsymbol{\gamma}}{k} \right] i \frac{1+\mu_1}{m_1} \frac{\mathbf{k} \cdot \mathbf{b}^+}{k} \right\}. \end{aligned} \quad (40)$$

Multiplying Eq. (39) from the left by γ_i and alternately by k_i/k gives two equations which can be solved simultaneously for b_0 and $\mathbf{k} \cdot \mathbf{b}$ in terms of $\psi_{i\epsilon}$. We note that in contrast to [16], where a similar parameter b_0 was not determined in terms of the boundary data and is arbitrarily set to zero, b_0 here can be written in terms of the boundary field. Substituting b_0 back into Eq. (39) now allows us to solve for b_i . Inserting these expressions for b_0 , $\mathbf{k} \cdot \mathbf{b}$, and b_i into Eq. (40), $\psi_{i\epsilon}^-$ can be expressed in terms of $\psi_{i\epsilon}^+$. Since the b parameters are eliminated in this process, we are not free to impose any restrictions on them. The result is

$$\psi_{i\epsilon}^- = O_{ij} \psi_{j\epsilon}^+ \quad (41)$$

where

$$O_{ij} = f_1 \gamma_i \frac{\mathbf{k} \cdot \boldsymbol{\gamma}}{k} \gamma_j + f_2 \frac{k_i}{k} \gamma_j + f_3 \gamma_i \frac{k_j}{k} + f_4 \frac{k_i}{k} \frac{\mathbf{k} \cdot \boldsymbol{\gamma}}{k} \frac{k_j}{k} + f_5 \frac{\mathbf{k} \cdot \boldsymbol{\gamma}}{k} \delta_{ij}. \quad (42)$$

Each f is a purely imaginary function of $(k\epsilon)$,

$$\begin{aligned}
f_1 &= \frac{1}{D} \left[K_{C-1/2} K_{m_- - 1/2} \frac{1+\mu_1}{d} - K_{C+1/2} K_{m_- + 1/2} \frac{1+\mu_2}{d} \right] \left[K_{m_- - 1/2} - k\epsilon K_{m_- + 1/2} \frac{1+\mu_1}{m_1} \right] \\
&\quad + \frac{1}{D} K_{m_- + 1/2} K_{m_- - 1/2} \frac{1+\mu_1}{m_1} \left[K_{C+1/2} \frac{1+\mu_2}{d} + k\epsilon K_{C-1/2} \mu_3 \right], \\
f_2 &= \frac{1}{D} \left[2K_{C+1/2} K_{m_- + 1/2} \frac{1+\mu_2}{d} + k\epsilon K_{C-1/2} K_{m_- + 1/2} \mu_3 - k\epsilon K_{C+1/2} K_{m_- - 1/2} \mu_3 \right] \left[K_{m_- - 1/2} - k\epsilon K_{m_- + 1/2} \frac{1+\mu_1}{m_1} \right] \\
&\quad + \frac{1}{D} \frac{1+\mu_1}{m_1} [k\epsilon K_{m_- + 1/2}^2 - k\epsilon K_{m_- - 1/2}^2 - (2m_- + 1) K_{m_- + 1/2} K_{m_- - 1/2}] \left[K_{C+1/2} \frac{1+\mu^2}{d} + k\epsilon K_{C-1/2} \mu_3 \right], \\
f_3 &= \frac{1}{D} \left[K_{C-1/2} K_{m_- - 1/2} \frac{1+\mu_1}{d} - K_{C+1/2} K_{m_- + 1/2} \frac{1+\mu_2}{d} \right] k\epsilon K_{m_- + 1/2} \frac{1+\mu_1}{m_1} \\
&\quad - \frac{1}{D} K_{m_- + 1/2} K_{m_- - 1/2} \frac{1+\mu_1}{m_1} [K_{C+1/2} (1+\mu_2) + k\epsilon K_{C-1/2} \mu_3], \\
f_4 &= \frac{1}{D} \left[2K_{C+1/2} K_{m_- + 1/2} \frac{1+\mu_2}{d} + k\epsilon K_{C-1/2} K_{m_- + 1/2} \mu_3 - k\epsilon K_{C+1/2} K_{m_- - 1/2} \mu_3 \right] k\epsilon K_{m_- + 1/2} \frac{1+\mu_1}{m_1} \\
&\quad - \frac{1}{D} \frac{1+\mu_1}{m_1} [k\epsilon K_{m_- + 1/2}^2 - k\epsilon K_{m_- - 1/2}^2 - (2m_- + 1) K_{m_- + 1/2} K_{m_- - 1/2}] [K_{C+1/2} (1+\mu_2) + k\epsilon K_{C-1/2} \mu_3], \\
f_5 &= i \frac{K_{m_- + 1/2}}{K_{m_- - 1/2}}, \tag{43}
\end{aligned}$$

with the denominator given by

$$\begin{aligned}
D &= i [D_{m_- - 1/2}^2 K_{C+1/2} (1+\mu_2) + k\epsilon K_{m_- - 1/2}^2 K_{C-1/2} \mu_3 \\
&\quad - k\epsilon K_{m_- + 1/2} K_{m_- - 1/2} K_{C+1/2} \mu_3]. \tag{44}
\end{aligned}$$

In exactly the same way, we may also express $\psi_{i\epsilon}^+$ in terms of $\psi_{i\epsilon}^-$, with the result

$$\psi_{i\epsilon}^+ = Q_{ij} \psi_{j\epsilon}^- \tag{45}$$

where

$$\begin{aligned}
Q_{ij} &= \bar{f}_1 \gamma_i \frac{\mathbf{k} \cdot \boldsymbol{\gamma}}{k} \gamma_j + \bar{f}_2 \frac{k_i}{k} \gamma_j + \bar{f}_3 \gamma_i \frac{k_j}{k} \\
&\quad + \bar{f}_4 \frac{k_i}{k} \frac{\mathbf{k} \cdot \boldsymbol{\gamma}}{k} \frac{k_j}{k} + \bar{f}_5 \frac{\mathbf{k} \cdot \boldsymbol{\gamma}}{k} \delta_{ij}. \tag{46}
\end{aligned}$$

Conjugating Eqs. (41) and (45) gives us the additional relations

$$\bar{\psi}_{i\epsilon}^- = \bar{\psi}_{j\epsilon}^+ \bar{O}_{ij}, \tag{47}$$

$$\bar{\psi}_{i\epsilon}^+ = \bar{\psi}_{j\epsilon}^- \bar{Q}_{ij}. \tag{48}$$

It is now possible to write Eq. (38) in a simple form. We will, in Eq. (56) below, consider a case in which it is neces-

sary to express Eq. (38) in terms of only $\bar{\psi}^+$ and ψ^- . This is easily done by means of Eqs. (45) and (47). We break up the field into + and - pieces

$$\begin{aligned}
I &= \frac{\epsilon^{d+1}}{2} \int \frac{d^d k}{(2\pi)^d} (\bar{\psi}_{i\epsilon}^+(\mathbf{k}) \psi_{i\epsilon}^+(-\mathbf{k}) + \bar{\psi}_{i\epsilon}^-(\mathbf{k}) \psi_{i\epsilon}^-(-\mathbf{k}) \\
&\quad + \bar{\psi}_{i\epsilon}^+(\mathbf{k}) \gamma_i \gamma_j \psi_{j\epsilon}^+(-\mathbf{k}) + \bar{\psi}_{i\epsilon}^-(\mathbf{k}) \gamma_i \gamma_j \psi_{j\epsilon}^-(-\mathbf{k})) \\
&= \frac{\epsilon^{d+1}}{2} \int d^d x d^d y (\bar{\psi}_{i\epsilon}^+(\mathbf{x}) \Omega_{ij}(\mathbf{x}-\mathbf{y}) \psi_{j\epsilon}^-(\mathbf{y})), \tag{49}
\end{aligned}$$

and then write the correlator as

$$\begin{aligned}
\Omega_{ij}(\mathbf{x}-\mathbf{y}) &= \int \frac{d^d k}{(2\pi)^d} [e^{-i\mathbf{k} \cdot (\mathbf{x}-\mathbf{y})} \\
&\quad \times (\gamma_i \gamma_l Q_{lj} + \bar{O}_{li} \gamma_l \gamma_j + Q_{ij} + \bar{O}_{ji})]. \tag{50}
\end{aligned}$$

The formula which will be used for this integral,³ properly regularized [25], is

³We will see later on that we have no need of local terms; we do not include here terms which contribute only when $\mathbf{x}=0$.

$$\int \frac{d^d k}{(2\pi)^d} e^{-i\mathbf{k} \cdot \mathbf{x}} k^q = \frac{2^q \Gamma\left(\frac{d+q}{2}\right)}{\pi^{d/2} \Gamma\left(\frac{-q}{2}\right)} \frac{1}{|\mathbf{x}|^{d+q}}. \quad (51)$$

To perform the k -integral in Eq. (50), we must expand O and Q (and thus each f) and determine the power of both k and ϵ in each term. First, the terms containing an even, non-negative power of k must be discounted, since they will vanish by the integral formula (51). Factors of the form k_i do not pose a problem here; such a factor can be converted to $i\partial_i^{(x)}$, taking it outside the integral. Secondly, we must keep only leading-order terms in ϵ of what remains. To this end we introduce the notation

$$G_{\alpha\beta\gamma} \equiv K_{C+\alpha}(k\epsilon) K_{m_-+\beta}(k\epsilon) K_{m_-+\gamma}(k\epsilon), \quad (52)$$

and since we will always deal with $\alpha, \beta, \gamma = \pm 1/2$, we abbreviate this further in an obvious way. The first four f functions may now be written as

$$f_1 = \frac{1}{D} [C_1 G_{---} + C_2 G_{++-} + C_3 G_{-+-} k\epsilon + C_4 G_{+++} k\epsilon],$$

$$f_2 = \frac{1}{D} [C_5 G_{+++} + C_6 G_{-+-} k\epsilon + C_7 G_{+-} k\epsilon + C_8 G_{+++} k\epsilon + C_{10} G_{++-}(k\epsilon)^2 + C_{11} G_{---}(k\epsilon)^2],$$

$$f_3 = \frac{1}{D} [C_{12} G_{-+-} k\epsilon + C_{13} G_{+++} k\epsilon + C_{14} G_{+-}],$$

$$f_4 = \frac{1}{D} [C_{15} G_{+++} k\epsilon + C_{17} G_{++-}(k\epsilon)^2 + C_{18} G_{+-} k\epsilon + C_{19} G_{++-} + C_{20} G_{---}(k\epsilon)^2 + C_{21} G_{-+-} k\epsilon], \quad (53)$$

where $C_{1...21}$ are constants which can be read off from Eq. (43). Only the following will be needed:

$$C_1 = \frac{1+\mu_1}{d}, \quad C_2 = \frac{1+\mu_2}{d} \left(\frac{1+\mu_1}{m_1} - 1 \right),$$

$$C_{18} = -C_5 = -C_{14} = \frac{(1+\mu_1)(1+\mu_2)}{m_1},$$

$$C_{19} = (2m_- + 1) C_{18}. \quad (54)$$

Now we use the small-argument expansion of the modified Bessel function

$$2K_\nu(z) = \Gamma(-\nu) \left(\frac{z}{2} \right)^\nu (1 + \dots) + \Gamma(\nu) \left(\frac{z}{2} \right)^{-\nu} (1 + \dots) \quad (55)$$

where the dots indicate successive even powers of z . Clearly, which term we consider to be leading-order depends on the order of the Bessel function. To settle this point, from now on we turn our attention to the specific case

$$m_- > \frac{1}{2}, \quad C < -\frac{1}{2}. \quad (56)$$

Other cases may be considered in a similar fashion. A quick inspection of the f functions shows that in this case, it is ψ^- which may be specified on the boundary, so we will need to make use of Eqs. (46) and (47), as mentioned above Eq. (49).

We apply Eq. (55) to obtain the leading-order term in the denominator \bar{D} ,

$$\bar{D} \doteq \frac{i}{8} M \left(\frac{k\epsilon}{2} \right)^{C-2m_- - 3/2} \quad (57)$$

where $M = -(1+\mu_1)\Gamma(1/2-C)\Gamma(1/2+m_-)^2$. Here we have introduced the dotted equal sign \doteq which denotes equality up to leading order in ϵ , discounting terms which vanish when integrated due to their power of k , as explained above Eq. (52).⁴

Expanding the \mathbf{k} -dependent part of a general term from \bar{O} or \bar{Q} , we find

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{G_{\alpha\beta\gamma}(k\epsilon)^P}{\bar{D} k^l} \\ & \doteq \frac{-i 2^P}{M k^l} \left(\frac{k\epsilon}{2} \right)^{P+1/2\Gamma} \left[\Gamma(\alpha-C) \left(\frac{k\epsilon}{2} \right)^{-\alpha} + \Gamma(C-\alpha) \right. \\ & \quad \times \left(\frac{k\epsilon}{2} \right)^{-2C+\alpha} \left[\Gamma(\beta-m_-) \left(\frac{k\epsilon}{2} \right)^{2m_- - \beta} \right. \\ & \quad \left. + \Gamma(m_- - \beta) \left(\frac{k\epsilon}{2} \right)^\beta \right] \left[\Gamma(\gamma-m_-) \left(\frac{k\epsilon}{2} \right)^{2m_- - \gamma} \right. \\ & \quad \left. + \Gamma(m_- - \gamma) \left(\frac{k\epsilon}{2} \right)^\gamma \right]. \end{aligned} \quad (58)$$

⁴In the case of Eq. (57), the \doteq functions in only the first way since \bar{D} is not integrated by itself.

In the expansion of this product, we will refer to individual terms by the signs of α, β , and γ in the exponent. By inspection it is seen that the $-\alpha + \beta + \gamma$ term is leading-order in ϵ ; therefore we should ask whether this term will vanish when we do the \mathbf{k} integration.

Table I shows on the LHS all instances, in Eq. (53), of the general term (58). It should be noted that there are also factors of k^{-1} which come from Eqs. (42) and (46) so that, for example, we should consider $\overline{f_4}/k^3$ rather than just $\overline{f_4}$.

On the RHS are the resulting powers of ϵ and k in the leading-order term in Eq. (58). We see that all elements in the table will vanish when we integrate over \mathbf{k} except the two entries indicating k^{-2} . However, when this part of $\overline{f_4}$ is evaluated by substituting $\overline{C_{18}}$ and $\overline{C_{19}}$ from Eq. (54), we see that these two terms neatly cancel each other. Thus, the leading-order term in Eq. (58) will always vanish when we integrate. Since it cannot contribute, we must analyze the seven remaining higher-order terms to see which do. By similar arguments we see that the next-order terms in Eq. (58) (for generic $\alpha\beta\gamma$) are the $-\alpha - \beta + \gamma$, $-\alpha + \beta - \gamma$, and $+\alpha + \beta + \gamma$ terms. We will make no assumption as to whether C is larger or smaller in magnitude than m_- , so we must keep all three of these.⁵ It is also assumed that the masses are not special in that when we integrate a term of the form $k^{(\text{masses})}$, it does not vanish. Considering again each instance of the general term (58), we find that the leading-order terms go as ϵ^{2m_-} and ϵ^{-2C} , and that they correspond only to the instance $\alpha\beta\gamma = ---$ and $\alpha\beta\gamma = ++-$, both with $P=0$.⁶ Hence, the only terms in Eq. (53) which will survive the $\epsilon \rightarrow 0$ limit and the \mathbf{k} integration are the $\overline{C_1}$, $\overline{C_2}$, $\overline{C_5}$, $\overline{C_{14}}$, and $\overline{C_{19}}$ terms,

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\overline{f_1}}{k} &\doteq \overline{C_1} \frac{\overline{G_{---}}}{\overline{Dk}} + \overline{C_2} \frac{\overline{G_{++-}}}{\overline{Dk}}, & \frac{\overline{f_2}}{k} &\doteq \overline{C_5} \frac{\overline{G_{++-}}}{\overline{Dk}}, \\ \frac{\overline{f_3}}{k} &\doteq \overline{C_{14}} \frac{\overline{G_{++-}}}{\overline{Dk}}, & \frac{\overline{f_4}}{k^3} &\doteq \overline{C_{19}} \frac{\overline{G_{++-}}}{\overline{Dk^3}}. \end{aligned} \quad (59)$$

Writing out explicitly from Eq. (58) the terms which will contribute, according to the above analysis, we have

$$\frac{\overline{G_{---}}}{\overline{Dk^l}} \doteq \frac{-i}{M} \Gamma\left(\frac{1}{2} + C\right) \Gamma\left(m_- - \frac{1}{2}\right)^2 \left(\frac{\epsilon}{2}\right)^{-2C} k^{-2C-l},$$

⁵Actually, the $-\alpha + \beta - \gamma$ terms turns out not to contribute anyway.

⁶The value of l in Eq. (58) does not matter here since it affects only the power of k which appears, and not ϵ .

TABLE I. Powers of k and ϵ in each instance of the leading-order term in Eq. (58).

l	$\alpha\beta\gamma$	P	Power of k	Power of ϵ
1	---	0	0	1
1	++-	0	0	1
1	-+-	1	2	3
1	+++	1	2	3
1	+-	1	0	1
1	++-	2	2	3
1	---	2	2	3
3	+++	1	0	3
3	++-	2	0	3
3	+-	1	-2	1
3	++-	0	-2	1
3	---	2	0	3
3	-+-	1	0	3

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\overline{G_{++-}}}{\overline{Dk}} &\doteq \frac{-i}{M} \Gamma\left(\frac{1}{2} - C\right) \Gamma\left(\frac{1}{2} - m_-\right) \Gamma\left(\frac{1}{2} + m_-\right) \\ &\times \left(\frac{\epsilon}{2}\right)^{2m_-} k^{2m_- - 1}. \end{aligned} \quad (60)$$

From Eq. (43), $\overline{f_5}$ is of order ϵ^{2m_-} , and

$$\frac{\overline{f_5}}{k} \doteq -i \frac{\Gamma(\frac{1}{2} - m_-)}{\Gamma(\frac{1}{2} + m_-)} \left(\frac{\epsilon}{2}\right)^{2m_-} k^{2m_- - 1}. \quad (61)$$

Now the formula (51) can be used to find $\int dk$ of Eq. (60). Substituting the results into Eq. (42) (conjugated), doing the resulting derivatives, and simplifying, we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} &\int \frac{d^d k}{(2\pi)^d} e^{-i\mathbf{k} \cdot (\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{y})} \overline{O}_{ij} \\ &\doteq \frac{1}{\pi^{d/2}} \left(\frac{1 + \mu_2}{m_1} + 1 \right) \frac{\Gamma\left(\frac{d + 2m_- + 1}{2}\right)}{\Gamma(\frac{1}{2} + m_-)} \\ &\times \left\{ \gamma \cdot (\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{y}) \left(\delta_{ij} - 2 \frac{(x-y)_i (x-y)_j}{|\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{y}|^2} \right) \right. \\ &\quad \left. + \frac{\gamma_j \gamma \cdot (\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{y}) \gamma_i}{d} \right\} \frac{\epsilon^{2m_-}}{|\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{y}|^{d + 2m_- + 1}} \\ &\quad + \frac{1}{(1 + \mu_1)(m_- - \frac{1}{2})^2 \pi^{d/2}} \frac{\Gamma\left(\frac{d - 2C + 1}{2}\right)}{\Gamma(\frac{1}{2} - C)} \\ &\times \gamma_j \gamma \cdot (\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{y}) \gamma_i \frac{\epsilon^{-2C}}{|\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{y}|^{d - 2C + 1}}. \end{aligned} \quad (62)$$

Comparing Eq. (46) with Eq. (42), we see that it is unnecessary to calculate $\int dk Q_{ij}$ separately; it can be obtained trivially from Eq. (62) by switching the i and j indices in the $\gamma_j \gamma \cdot (\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{y}) \gamma_i$ terms.

The correlator $\Omega_{ij}(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{y})$ from Eq. (50) may now be written

$$\begin{aligned} \Omega_{ij}(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{y}) = & M_I \left[\frac{\gamma_i \gamma \cdot (\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{y}) \gamma_j}{d} \right. \\ & + \gamma \cdot (\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{y}) \left(\delta_{ij} - 2 \frac{(x-y)_i (x-y)_j}{|\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{y}|^2} \right) \Big] \\ & \times \frac{\epsilon^{2m_-}}{|\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{y}|^{d+2m_-+1}} \\ & + M_{II} \gamma_i \gamma \cdot (\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{y}) \gamma_j \frac{\epsilon^{-2C}}{|\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{y}|^{d-2C+1}}, \end{aligned} \quad (63)$$

where M_I and M_{II} are constants. The two correlators contained in this expression can be separated by decomposing the boundary field $\psi_{i\epsilon}$ into two parts, projecting out the component orthogonal to γ_i . To use the AdS-CFT correspondence (1), we define the boundary fields

$$\chi_{(0)} \equiv \gamma_j \psi_j \quad \text{and} \quad \psi_{i(0)} \equiv \psi_i - \frac{\gamma_i}{d} \chi_{(0)}$$

so that $\gamma_i \psi_{i(0)} = 0$. The presence of the spinor field $\chi_{(0)}$ accounts for the correct number of degrees of freedom coming from the original $(d+1)$ -dimensional Rarita-Schwinger field.

Rewriting in terms of these new fields, while absorbing appropriate powers of ϵ , gives us two correlators, one for the conformal operator coupling to each boundary field

$$\begin{aligned} \langle \mathcal{O}_{i\alpha} \bar{\mathcal{O}}_{j\beta} \rangle = & M_I \gamma_{\alpha\beta} \cdot (\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{y}) \left[\delta_{ij} - 2 \frac{(x-y)_i (x-y)_j}{|\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{y}|^2} \right] \\ & \times \frac{1}{|\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{y}|^{d+2m_-+1}}, \end{aligned} \quad (64)$$

$$\langle \mathcal{O}'_\alpha \bar{\mathcal{O}}'_\beta \rangle = M_{II} \gamma_{\alpha\beta} \cdot (\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{y}) \frac{1}{|\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{y}|^{d-2C+1}}, \quad (65)$$

and the scaling dimensions of the operators are $\Delta_{\mathcal{O}_i} = d/2 + m_-$ and $\Delta_{\mathcal{O}'} = d/2 - C$.

Each of these correlators is seen to be of the form required by conformal invariance [22]. The first correlator (64) has been obtained previously but the condition $\gamma^\mu \psi_\mu = 0$ was imposed in [12,13], and the parameter b_0 set to zero in [16], with the result that the second correlator was not found. Our construction in Sec. II of the solution to the equations of motion and subsequent use of the full solution involves no such restrictions, thus allowing both correlators (64) and (65) to be obtained. It is interesting to note that since $\Delta_{\mathcal{O}'}$ depends on C , which is proportional to $1/m_1$, the limit $m_1 \rightarrow 0$ is not well defined. Hence, the massless case cannot be recovered in this limit.

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APPENDIX

The following are useful identities involving the constants defined in Eqs. (24) and (14):

$$\mu_1 = \frac{1-d-2m_-}{d-1-2m_-}, \quad \mu_2 = \frac{1-d+2m_-}{d-1+2m_-},$$

$$\mu_3 = \frac{4m_1(1-d)}{d(d-1-2m_-)(d-1+2m_-)},$$

$$\frac{\mu_3}{d-1} = \frac{1+\mu_1}{m_1} \frac{1+\mu_2}{d},$$

$$\frac{1+\mu_1}{1+\mu_2} = 2m_- \frac{1+\mu_1}{m_1} - 1,$$

$$\frac{\mu_1 + \frac{m_+}{d-1} + \frac{1}{2}}{C+m_-} = \frac{-2m_1}{d(d-1-2m_-)} = \frac{1+\mu_1}{d},$$

$$\frac{\mu_2 - \frac{m_+}{d-1} + \frac{1}{2}}{C+m_-} = \frac{-2m_1}{d(d-1-2m_-)} = \frac{1+\mu_2}{d}.$$

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