

4d Modularity

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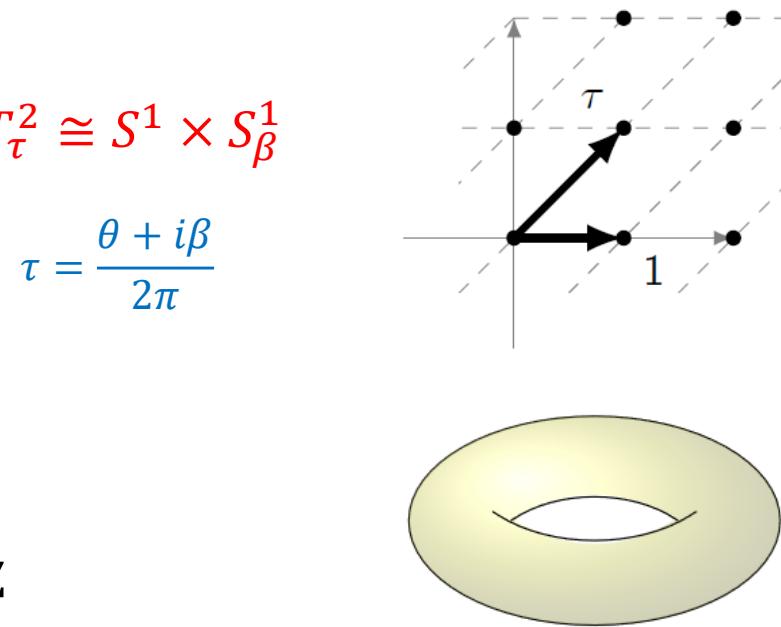
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Review: modularity in 2d CFT

- In 2d CFT: local operator on $\mathbb{R}^2 \Leftrightarrow$ state on S^1
- $Z(\beta, \theta) = \text{tr}_{\mathcal{H}(S^1)} e^{-\beta(\Delta - \frac{c}{12}) + i\theta P} \Leftrightarrow$ path integral on $T_\tau^2 \cong S^1 \times S_\beta^1$
- **$SL(2, \mathbb{Z})$ invariance:**

$$Z\left(\frac{a\tau + b}{c\tau + d}, \frac{a\bar{\tau} + b}{c\bar{\tau} + d}\right) = Z(\tau, \bar{\tau})$$

$$ad - bc = 1, \quad a, b, c, d \in \mathbb{Z}$$



Application

- S-transformation relates low ($\tau \rightarrow i\infty$) and high ($\tau \rightarrow 0$) temperatures:

$$Z(\tau, \bar{\tau}) = Z\left(-\frac{1}{\tau}, -\frac{1}{\bar{\tau}}\right)$$

$S^1 \leftrightarrow S_\beta^1$

⇒ universal density of states at high energy controlled by central charge

Cardy 86

$$S(E) = 2\pi \sqrt{\frac{cE}{3}}, \quad E \gg c$$

Many other applications

In **2d CFT**:

- Classification
- Fusion rules
- Bootstrap
- Heavy OPE coefficients
- ...

Cappelli et al 87, Verlinde 88
Hellerman 09, Chang-Lin 16,
Kraus-Maloney 16,
Collier-Maloney et al 19

In **string theory**:

- Worldsheet string theory
- Black hole entropy
- Quantum gravitational path integral
- Holographic CFTs

Strominger-Vafa 96
Dijkgraaf-Verlinde² 96
Dijkgraaf-Maldacena et al 00
Dabholkar-Murthy-Gomes 11/14
Hartman-Keller-Stoica 14
Benjamin-Cheng et al 15

In **mathematics...**

Higher dimensions

- Is CFT_{d>2} data **universal** at high energy as well?
- Does modularity, as a tool, generalize?
- Local operators on $\mathbb{R}^d \Leftrightarrow$ states on S^{d-1} .
- For $d > 2$, no symmetry between S^{d-1} and S_β^1 .
- Various proposed **tools**:
 - Modularity for free (conformally coupled) fields
 - AdS/CFT
 - Change geometric background
 - Thermal effective action

Cardy 91, Kutasov-Larsen 01

Lei-SvL 24

Verlinde 00, Gibbons-Perry-Pope 04/05
Shaghoulian 15

Belin-de Boer et al 16,
Shaghoulian 15/16
Hofman-Vitouladitis 24

Bhattacharyya-Lahiri et al 07
Benjamin-Lee et al 23
Allameh-Shaghoulian 24

Exact results in SCFT

- Access to exact expressions for **supersymmetric** $Z[\mathcal{M}_d]$
- Unexpected signs of **modularity** in:
 - 4d $\mathcal{N} = 2$ Schur index: $\mathcal{M}_4 = S^3 \times S^1$
 - 4d/6d susy Cardy formula: $\mathcal{M}_d = S^{d-1} \times S^1$
 - 3d $\mathcal{N} = 2$ half-index: $\mathcal{M}_3 = D^2 \times S^1$
 - 4d/6d $\mathcal{N} = 1$ superconformal index (SCI): $\mathcal{M}_d = S^{d-1} \times S^1$
- Interesting applications in AdS_{d+1}/CFT_d
- Physics/geometry of $SL(2, \mathbb{Z})$ action?
 - Razamat 12, Beem et al 13
 - Dedushenko-Fluder 19
 - Pan-Peelaers 21
 - Beem-Razamat-Singh 21
 - Di Pietro-Komargodski 14
 - Cheng-Chun-Ferrari et al 18
 - Gadde 20, Jejjala-Lei-Li-**SvL** 22

Motivation

- Bottom-up argument for modularity of 4d $\mathcal{N} = 1$ superconformal index
- Playground: free chiral multiplet $\mathcal{M}_4 = S^3 \times S^1$
- Generalizations: non-trivial SCFTs and other dimensions

Superconformal index

- For 4d $\mathcal{N} = 1$ SCFTs:

Romelsberger 05, Kinney et al 05

$$\mathcal{I}(z_i; \sigma, \tau) = \text{tr}_{\mathcal{H}(S^3)} e^{-\beta \delta} (-1)^F p^{J_1 - \frac{r}{2}} q^{J_2 - \frac{r}{2}} y_i^{Q_i}$$

$$\delta = \{\mathcal{Q}, \mathcal{Q}^\dagger\} = \Delta - J_1 - J_2 + \frac{3}{2} r$$

$$\begin{aligned} p &= e^{2\pi i \sigma}, \\ q &= e^{2\pi i \tau}, \\ y_i &= e^{2\pi i z_i} \end{aligned}$$

- Only (quarter-)BPS states: $\mathcal{Q}|\psi\rangle = 0$ with $\delta = 0$
- Index is protected quantity; exactly calculable for many non-trivial SCFTs

Chiral multiplet on S^3

- $\mathcal{N} = 1$ chiral multiplet: $\{\phi, \psi_\alpha\} \cup \{\bar{\phi}, \bar{\psi}_{\dot{\alpha}}\}$
- Consider $\mathcal{O}(x)$ which obey $\delta = \Delta - J_1 - J_2 + \frac{3}{2}r = 0$
- “Single-letter” susy Hilbert space: $\mathcal{H}'_{\text{susy}}(S^3) = \{\partial_{++}^m \partial_{+-}^n (\psi_+, \bar{\phi}) | 0 \rangle\}$
- Full $\mathcal{H}_{\text{susy}}(S^3)$ constructed from all “words”

Chiral multiplet index

- Chiral multiplet:

$$\mathcal{I}_R(z; \sigma, \tau) = P \exp \left[\frac{(pq)^{\frac{R}{2}}y - (pq)^{1-\frac{R}{2}}y^{-1}}{(1-p)(1-q)} \right] = \Gamma \left(z + \frac{R}{2}(\sigma + \tau); \sigma, \tau \right)$$

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$$\{\partial_{++}^m \partial_{+-}^n (\bar{\phi}, \psi_+) |0\rangle\}$$

- Elliptic Gamma function:

Felder-Varchenko 99

$$\Gamma(z; \sigma, \tau) = \prod_{m,n=0}^{\infty} \frac{1 - y^{-1} p^{m+1} q^{n+1}}{1 - y p^m q^n}$$

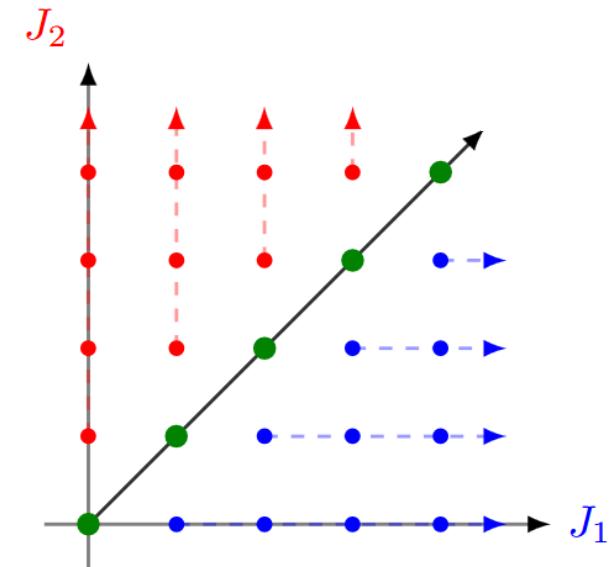
Hilbert space factorization

- Split: $\mathcal{H}'_{\text{susy}}(S^3) = \{\partial_{++}^m \partial_{+-}^n (\bar{\phi}, \psi_+) | 0\rangle\} = \{|\psi\rangle | J_1 \leq J_2\} \oplus \{|\psi\rangle | J_1 > J_2\}$

Razamat-Willett 13

- Then: $\mathcal{H}_{\text{susy}}(S^3) = \mathcal{H}_{\text{susy}}^{j_2 \leq 0}(S^3) \otimes \mathcal{H}_{\text{susy}}^{j_2 \geq 0}(S^3)$

with $j_2 \equiv \frac{1}{2}(J_1 - J_2)$



Factorization index

- On factorized Hilbert space:

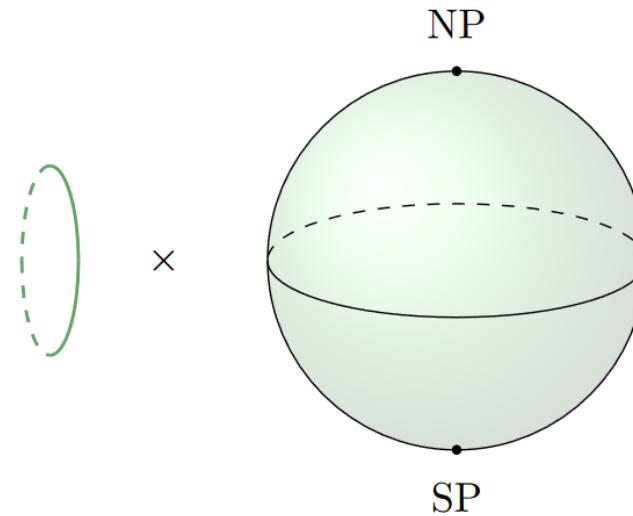
$$\mathcal{I}_R(z; \sigma, \tau) = \frac{1}{\Gamma(-z + (1 - R/2)(\sigma + \tau); \sigma + \tau, \tau)} \times \Gamma(z + R/2(\tau + \sigma); \tau + \sigma, \sigma)$$

- cf. $\mathcal{I}_R(z; \sigma, \tau) = \Gamma\left(z + \frac{R}{2}(\sigma + \tau); \sigma, \tau\right)$
- Consistent with factorization properties of $\Gamma(z; \sigma, \tau)$

Felder-Varchenko 99

Claim 1

- This factorization can be interpreted **geometrically**
- To describe this, first view S^3 as **Hopf fibration**: $S_H^1 \hookrightarrow S^3 \rightarrow S^2$
- S^3 restricted to a hemisphere of S^2 **trivializes** fibration: $HS^2 \times S_H^1$



Claim 1 continued

- At the level of the Hilbert space:

$$\mathcal{H}_{\text{susy}}^{j_2 \leq 0}(S^3) \otimes \mathcal{H}_{\text{susy}}^{j_2 \geq 0}(S^3) = \mathcal{H}_{\text{susy}}^+(HS_S^2 \times S_H^1) \otimes \tilde{\mathcal{H}}_{\text{susy}}^+(HS_N^2 \times S_H^1)$$

- Factors correspond to “hemi-sphere indices”:

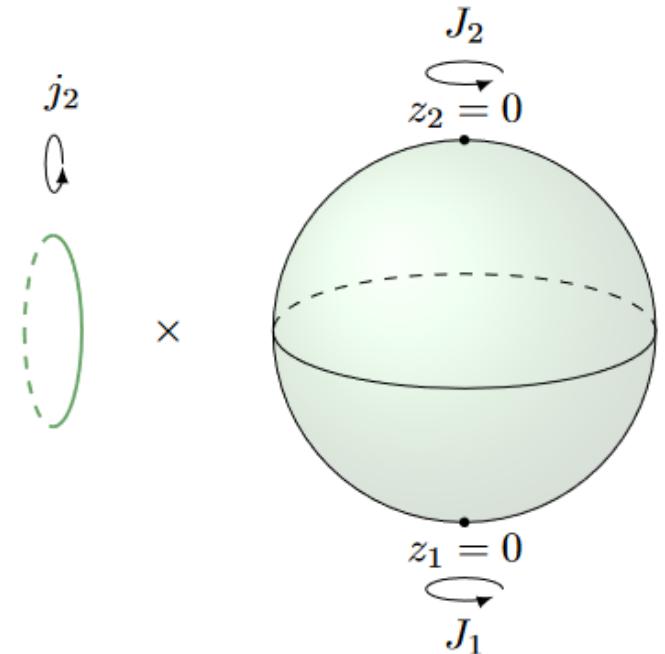
$$S^3 = \{|z_1|^2 + |z_2|^2 = 1\}$$

$$\mathcal{I}_R(z; \sigma, \tau) = \mathcal{B}_R^+(z; \sigma + \tau, \tau) \tilde{\mathcal{B}}_R^+(z; \tau + \sigma, \sigma)$$

where

- $\mathcal{B}_R^+(z; \sigma + \tau, \tau) = \text{tr}_{\mathcal{H}_{\text{susy}}^+(HS_S^2 \times S_H^1)}(-1)^F (pq)^{J_1 - \frac{r}{2}} q^{-2j_2} y^Q$

- $\tilde{\mathcal{B}}_R^+(z; \tau + \sigma, \sigma) = \text{tr}_{\tilde{\mathcal{H}}_{\text{susy}}^+(HS_N^2 \times S_H^1)}(-1)^F (pq)^{J_2 - \frac{r}{2}} p^{2j_2} y^Q$



Claim 2

- Trivial fibration allows KK reduction:

$$\mathcal{H}_{\text{susy}}(S^3) = \mathcal{H}_{\text{susy}}^+(HS_N^2 \times S_H^1) \otimes \tilde{\mathcal{H}}_{\text{susy}}^+(HS_S^2 \times S_H^1) = \bigotimes_{m=0}^{\infty} \mathcal{H}^{(m)}(S_H^1) \otimes \tilde{\mathcal{H}}^{(m)}(S_H^1)$$

- 4d index as infinite product of 2d indices

$$\mathcal{Z}[S^3 \times S_{(\sigma,\tau)}^1] \sim \prod_m \mathcal{B}^{(m)}[T_\tau^2] \times \tilde{\mathcal{B}}^{(m)}[T_\sigma^2]$$

$T_{\tau/\sigma}^2 \cong S_H^1 \times S_\beta^1$
at **northern/southern**
hemisphere

inherits **$SL(2, \mathbb{Z})$ covariance** of the latter!

- Bottom-up derivation of “modular factorization”

Remaining plan

1. Quantization on $HS^2 \times S^1$ and “hemi-sphere index”
2. 4d Modularity

Hemisphere reduction

- Quantize 4d chiral on $HS^2 \times S^1$ (in non-trivial R-symmetry bg)
- Supersymmetric sector \rightarrow short multiplets of 2d $\mathcal{N} = (0,2)$ susy:

$$\{\phi, \psi_\alpha\} \cup \{\bar{\phi}, \bar{\psi}_{\dot{\alpha}}\} \rightarrow \begin{cases} D: & \left\{ \chi_+^{(m)} \right\} \cup \left\{ \bar{\chi}_+^{(-m)} \right\} \\ R: & \left\{ \rho^{(-m)}, \chi_-^{(-m)} \right\} \cup \left\{ \bar{\rho}^{(m)}, \bar{\chi}_-^{(m)} \right\} \end{cases}$$

- m labels J_3 eigenvalue, generator of rotations on HS^2
- b.c. admit infinite number of (zero-)modes: $m \geq 0$

Fermi multiplets:
left-moving complex fermion

2d chiral multiplets:
complex boson and
right-moving complex fermion

Dedushenko 23

Closset-Shamir 13
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Hemisphere index

- Schematically: $\mathcal{H}_{\text{BPS}}^a(HS^2 \times S^1) = \prod_{m \geq 0} \mathcal{H}_a^{(m)}(S^1)$ with $a = D, R$

- Define an index:
$$\mathcal{B}^a(z; \sigma, \tau) = \text{tr}_{\mathcal{H}^a(HS^2 \times S^1)} (-1)^F p^{J_3 - \frac{r}{2}} q^P y^Q e^{-\beta \delta}$$

S^2 isometry and flavor
R-charge symmetry

space of states on
 $HS^2 \times S^1$ for b.c. a momentum
on S^1

$\delta = \{\mathcal{Q}, \mathcal{Q}^\dagger\} = 0$
on BPS states

- Interpreted as $\mathcal{N} = (0,2)$ elliptic genus* for fixed m

Closset-Shamir 13
*Gadde-Razamat-Willet 15

Evaluation

- Naively:

$$\mathcal{B}_R^a(z_i; \sigma, \tau) = \begin{cases} D: \prod_{m=0}^{\infty} (y^{-1} p^{m+1-R/2}; q)_{\infty} (y p^{-m-1+R/2} q; q)_{\infty} \\ R: \prod_{m=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{(y p^{m+R/2}; q)_{\infty} (y^{-1} p^{-m-R/2} q; q)_{\infty}} \end{cases}$$

BPS operator-state

Fermi multiplets

$$\left\{ \partial_+^n \left(\chi_+^{(m)}, \bar{\chi}_+^{(-m)} \right) \right\}$$

2d chiral multiplets

$$\left\{ \partial_+^n \left(\rho_+^{(-m)}, \bar{\rho}_+^{(m)} \right) \right\}$$

- Divergent for any $p \in \mathbb{C}$.

$$(y; q)_{\infty} = \prod_{n=0}^{\infty} (1 - yq^n)$$

- Source: arbitrarily positive and negative J_3 .

Fix

- Impose D on chiral and R on anti-chiral (or vice versa)

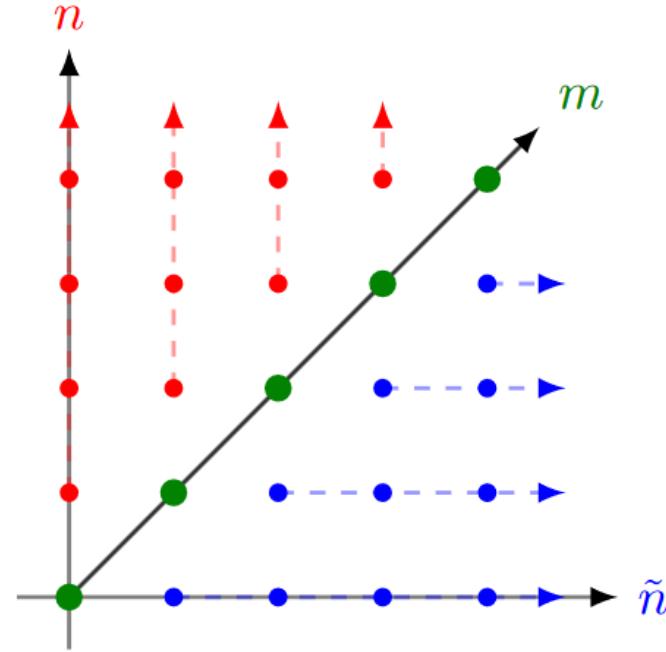
$$\mathcal{B}_R^a(z; \sigma, \tau) = \begin{cases} +: \prod_{m=0}^{\infty} \frac{(y^{-1} p^{m+1-R/2}; q)_{\infty}}{(y p^{m+R/2} q; q)_{\infty}} = \frac{1}{\Gamma\left(-z + \left(1 - \frac{R}{2}\right)\sigma; \sigma, \tau\right)} & \left\{ \partial_+^n \left(\chi_+^{(m)}, \bar{\rho}_+^{(m)} \right) \right\} \\ -: \prod_{m=0}^{\infty} \frac{(y^{-1} p^{-m+\frac{R}{2}-1} q; q)_{\infty}}{(y p^{-m-R/2}; q)_{\infty}} = \Gamma\left(-z - \frac{R}{2}\sigma; -\sigma, \tau\right) & \left\{ \partial_+^n \left(\rho_+^{(-m)}, \bar{\chi}_+^{(-m)} \right) \right\} \end{cases}$$

- This confirms claim 1: $\mathcal{J}_R(z; \sigma, \tau) = \mathcal{B}_R^+(z; \sigma + \tau, \tau) \tilde{\mathcal{B}}_R^+(z; \tau + \sigma, \sigma)$
 - $\tilde{\mathcal{B}}_R^a(z; \sigma, \tau) \equiv \mathcal{B}_R^a(z - \tau; \sigma, \tau)$

Back to factorization index

- Hilbert space picture:
 - m labels 2d multiplet
 - n, \tilde{n} left-moving momenta

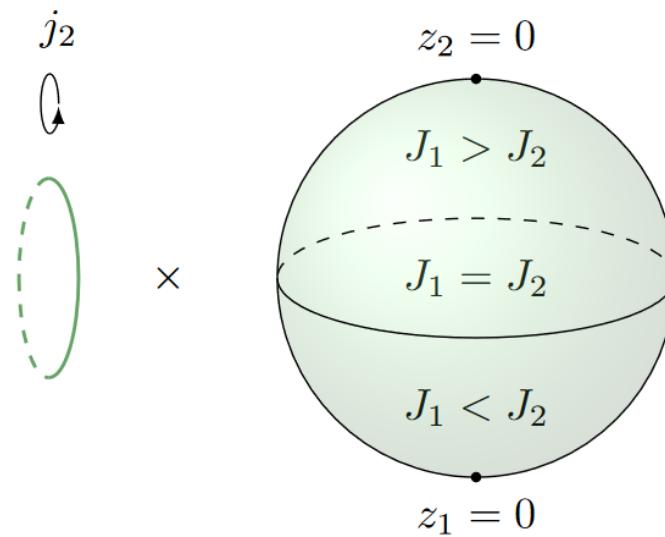
HS^2	J_3	P
N	$J_2 = m$	$2j_2 = \tilde{n}$
S	$J_1 = m$	$2j_2 = -n$



$$\Rightarrow \mathcal{H}_{\text{BPS}}(S^3) = \mathcal{H}_{j_2 \leq 0}(S^3) \otimes \mathcal{H}_{j_2 > 0}(S^3) = \bigotimes_{m=0}^{\infty} \mathcal{H}_+^{(m)}(S_H^1) \otimes \tilde{\mathcal{H}}_+^{(m)}(S_H^1)$$

Intuitive picture

- Wavefunctions “localize” on HS_N^2 or HS_S^2 depending on $\text{sgn } j_2$



- Picture consistent with $\mathcal{N} = 2$ SCFT/VOA correspondence ($J_2 = 0$)

Lagrangian perspective

- To understand modularity, a Lagrangian picture is useful:

$$\mathcal{I}_R(z; \sigma, \tau) = \mathcal{Z}_R[\textcolor{red}{S^3} \times S^1(z; \sigma, \tau)]$$

$$\mathcal{B}_R^a(z; \sigma, \tau) = \mathcal{Z}_R^a[\textcolor{red}{HS^2} \times T^2(z; \sigma, \tau)]$$

- Chemical potentials turn into complex structure and line bundle moduli

Closset-Dumitrescu et al 13

Bottom line

- Geometric interpretation of $\mathcal{I}_R(z; \sigma, \tau) = \mathcal{B}_R^\alpha(z; \sigma + \tau, \tau) \tilde{\mathcal{B}}_R^\alpha(z; \tau + \sigma, \sigma)$

“splitting of a Hopf surface”

$$\begin{array}{ccc} S^3 \times S^1(\sigma, \tau) & & T^2 = S_H^1 \times S_x^1 \text{ in each patch} \\ \downarrow & & \nearrow \text{spatial cycle} \quad \nearrow \text{temporal cycle} \\ HS^2 \times_{\sigma+\tau} T_\tau^2 \stackrel{g}{\cup} HS^2 \times_{\tau+\sigma} T_\sigma^2 & & \end{array}$$

Prediction

- A modular transformation on $T^2 \cong S_H^1 \times S_x^1$ predicts

$$\mathcal{I}_R(z; \sigma, \tau) = \mathcal{B}_R^+(z; \sigma + \tau, \tau) \tilde{\mathcal{B}}_R^+(z; \tau + \sigma, \sigma)$$

$$\stackrel{?}{=} \mathcal{B}_R^+ \left(\frac{z}{c\tau + d}, \frac{\sigma + \tau}{c\tau + d}, \frac{a\tau + b}{c\tau + d} \right) \tilde{\mathcal{B}}_R^+ \left(\frac{z}{-c\sigma + d}, \frac{\tau + \sigma}{-c\sigma + d}, \frac{a\sigma - b}{-c\sigma + d} \right)$$

Proof

$$\mathcal{I}_R(z; \sigma, \tau) = \Gamma(z + R/2(\sigma + \tau); \sigma, \tau)$$

$$\mathcal{B}_R^+(z; \sigma, \tau) = \frac{1}{\Gamma(-z + (1 - R/2)\sigma; \sigma, \tau)}, \quad \tilde{\mathcal{B}}_R^+(z; \sigma, \tau) = \Gamma(z + R/2\sigma; \sigma, \tau)$$

- Elliptic Gamma function satisfies:

Jejjala-Lei-SvL-Li 22

$$\Gamma(z + R/2(\sigma + \tau); \sigma, \tau) = e^{-i\pi Q_{(c,d)}(z+R/2(\sigma+\tau); \sigma, \tau)} \frac{\Gamma\left(\frac{z + R/2(\sigma + \tau)}{-c\sigma + d}; \frac{\tau + \sigma}{-c\sigma + d}, \frac{a\sigma - b}{-c\sigma + d}\right)}{\Gamma\left(\frac{-z + (1 - R/2)(\sigma + \tau)}{c\tau + d}; \frac{\sigma + \tau}{c\tau + d}, \frac{a\tau + b}{c\tau + d}\right)}$$

- Holds for arbitrary $R \in \mathbb{R}$.
- $Q_{(c,d)}(z; \sigma, \tau)$ is cubic polynomial in z .

4d modularity

- “Modular factorization”:

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$$\mathcal{B}_R^+(z; \sigma + \tau, \tau) \tilde{\mathcal{B}}_R^+(z; \tau + \sigma, \sigma) \cong \mathcal{B}_R^+ \left(\frac{z}{c\tau + d}; \frac{\sigma + \tau}{c\tau + d}, \frac{a\tau + b}{c\tau + d} \right) \tilde{\mathcal{B}}_R^+ \left(\frac{z}{-c\sigma + d}; \frac{\tau + \sigma}{-c\sigma + d}, \frac{a\sigma - b}{-c\sigma + d} \right)$$

- Natural specialization: $\sigma = -\bar{\tau}$
- How does this compare to $Z \left(\frac{a\tau+b}{c\tau+d}, \frac{a\bar{\tau}+b}{c\bar{\tau}+d} \right) \cong Z(\tau, \bar{\tau})$?

Conclusion

- Bottom-up argument for modular factorization:

$$\mathcal{B}_R^+(z; \sigma + \tau, \tau) \tilde{\mathcal{B}}_R^+(z; \tau + \sigma, \sigma) \cong \mathcal{B}_R^+ \left(\frac{z}{c\tau + d}; \frac{\sigma + \tau}{c\tau + d}, \frac{a\tau + b}{c\tau + d} \right) \tilde{\mathcal{B}}_R^+ \left(\frac{z}{-c\sigma + d}; \frac{\tau + \sigma}{-c\sigma + d}, \frac{a\sigma - b}{-c\sigma + d} \right)$$

- Main ingredient: patch-wise reduction from $S^3 \times S^1 \rightarrow T^2 \cong S_H^1 \times S_x^1$

Future directions

- Extension to non-trivial SCFTs, e.g., $SU(2)$ $\mathcal{N} = 4$ SYM? Pan-Peelaers 21
- Extension to other dimensions? Cheng-Chun-Ferrari et al 18
- Generalization of $\mathcal{N} = 2$ SCFT/VOA correspondence?
 - Non-chiral $\sigma = -\bar{\tau}$? Razamat 12, Beem et al 13
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cf. Budzik-Gaiotto et al 23

Extra slides

$(H)S^2 \times S^1$ quantization

Chiral multiplet on $S^2 \times S^1$

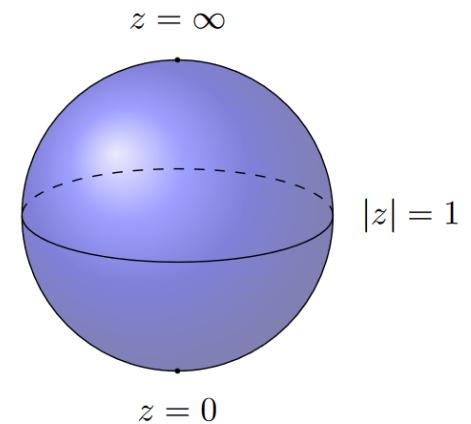
- Two supercharges preserved on S^2 when:

Dumitrescu-Festuccia-
Seiberg 12

$$A_R = -\frac{i}{2(1 + |z|^2)} (\bar{z}dz - zd\bar{z}), \quad ds^2 = \frac{4dzd\bar{z}}{(1 + |z|^2)^2}$$

R-symmetry
monopole potential

- $U(1)_R$ topological twist on S^2
- Due to magnetic flux, R-charge fields is quantized: $R \in \mathbb{Z}$



Shortening conditions on S^2

$$D_{\bar{z}}\psi_+ = D_z\phi = D_z\psi_- = 0$$

($z \leftrightarrow \bar{z}$ for $\bar{\phi}$ and $\bar{\psi}_\pm$)

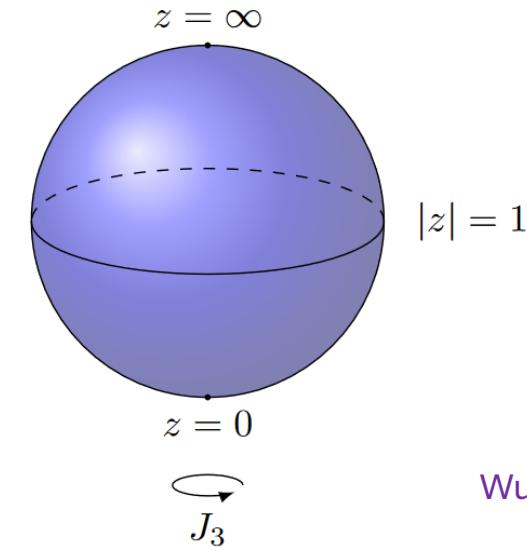
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covariant derivatives on S^2
in monopole background

- Solutions with $J_3 - \frac{r}{2}$ eigenvalue $m \in \mathbb{Z}\left(+\frac{1}{2}\right)$:

$$f_{\psi_+}^{(m)} = \frac{z^{m+\frac{R}{2}-1}}{(1+|z|^2)^{\frac{R}{2}-1}}, \quad f_\phi^{(m)} = f_{\psi_-}^{(m)} = \frac{(1+|z|^2)^{\frac{R}{2}}}{z^{m+\frac{R}{2}}}$$

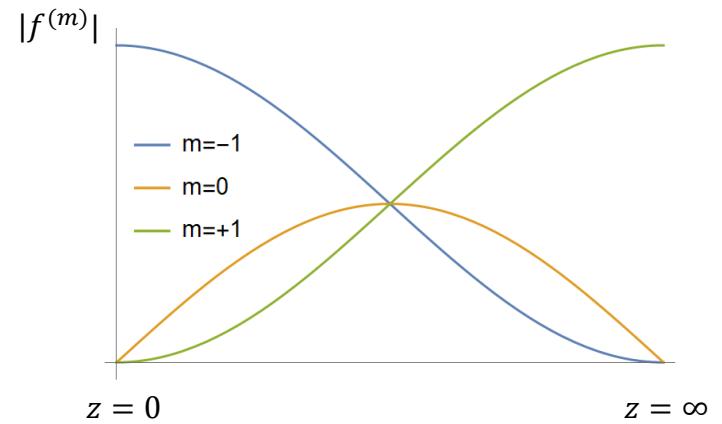
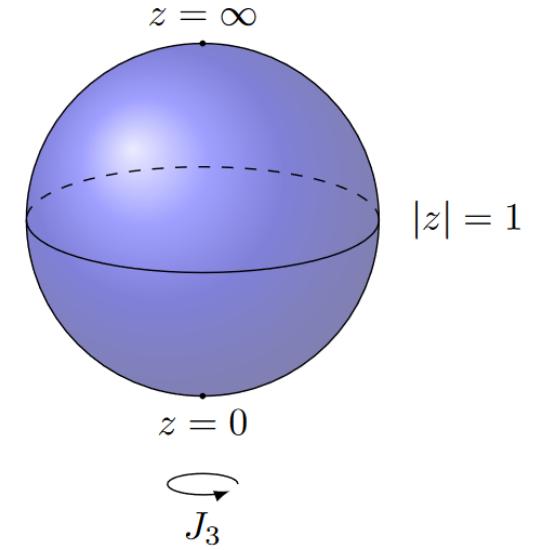
- \Leftrightarrow zero-modes of S^2 “monopole harmonics”
- m labels (non-trivial) $SU(2)$ representation,
whose dimension depends on R



Wu-Yang 76

Normalizability

- The modes have to be regular at the poles
- This restricts the allowed modes depending on R :
 - $R > 1$: only $f_{\psi_+}^{(m)}$ for $1 - \frac{R}{2} \leq m \leq \frac{R}{2} - 1$
 - $R = 1$: no modes
 - $R < 1$: only $f_{\phi/\psi_-}^{(m)}$ for $-\frac{|R|}{2} \leq m \leq \frac{|R|}{2}$
- $\text{sgn } m$ determines on which HS^2 the mode “localizes”



S^2 reduction

- Zero-modes of 4d chiral \rightarrow short multiplets of 2d $\mathcal{N} = (0,2)$ susy:

Closset-Shamir 13

- $R > 1: \{\psi_+\} \cup \{\bar{\psi}_+\} \rightarrow \left\{ \chi_+^{(m)} \right\} \cup \left\{ \bar{\chi}_+^{(-m)} \right\}$

$$1 - \frac{R}{2} \leq m \leq \frac{R}{2} - 1$$

Fermi multiplets:
left-moving complex fermion

- $R = 1: \emptyset$

- $R < 1: \{\phi, \psi_-\} \cup \{\bar{\phi}, \bar{\psi}_-\} \rightarrow \left\{ \rho^{(m)}, \chi_-^{(m)} \right\} \cup \left\{ \bar{\rho}^{(-m)}, \bar{\chi}_-^{(-m)} \right\}$

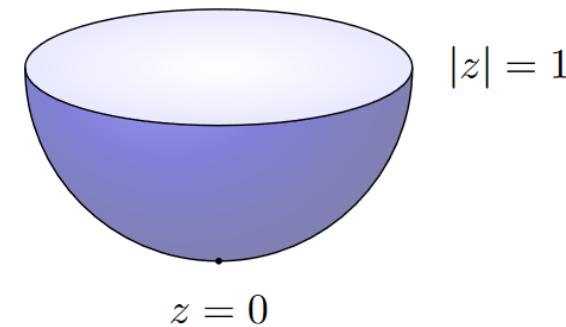
$$-\frac{|R|}{2} \leq m \leq \frac{|R|}{2}$$

2d chiral multiplets:
complex boson and
right-moving complex fermion

- Schematically: $\mathcal{H}_{\text{BPS}}(S^2 \times S^1) = \prod_{|m| \leq g(R)} \mathcal{H}^{(m)}(S^1)$

Chiral multiplet on $HS^2 \times S^1$

- Restrict background to $|z| \leq 1$: **hemi-sphere HS^2**
- Replace regularity at $z = \infty$ by a (BPS) boundary condition at $|z| = 1$



Boundary conditions

- Two (known) BPS boundary conditions:

most modes localize
at boundary

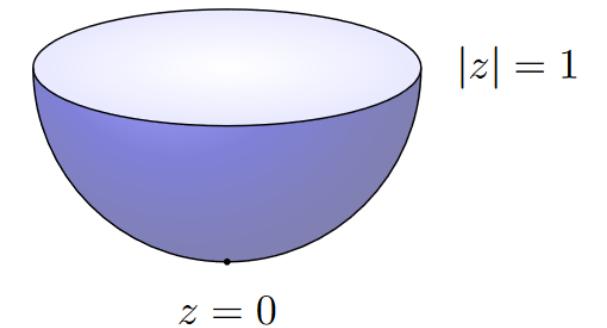
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Dirichlet

$$D: \phi/\psi_- \Big|_{\partial} = 0, \quad D_{\bar{z}}\psi_+ \Big|_{\partial} = 0$$

Robin-like

$$R: D_z\phi/\psi_- \Big|_{\partial} = 0, \quad \psi_+ \Big|_{\partial} = 0$$



- Regularity at $z = 0$ and b.c. at $|z| = 1$ yields:

$$D_{\bar{z}}\psi_+ = D_z\phi = D_z\psi_- = 0$$

$$\{\phi, \psi_\alpha\} \cup \{\bar{\phi}, \bar{\psi}_{\dot{\alpha}}\} \rightarrow \begin{cases} D: \left\{ \chi_+^{(m)} \right\} \cup \left\{ \bar{\chi}_+^{(-m)} \right\} \\ R: \left\{ \rho^{(-m)}, \chi_-^{(-m)} \right\} \cup \left\{ \bar{\rho}^{(m)}, \bar{\chi}_-^{(m)} \right\} \end{cases} \quad m \geq 0$$

$$f_{\psi_+}^{(m)} = \frac{z^m}{(1 + |z|^2)^{\frac{R}{2}-1}},$$

$$f_{\phi}^{(-m)} = f_{\psi_-}^{(-m)} = \frac{(1 + |z|^2)^{\frac{R}{2}}}{\bar{z}^{-m}}$$

Comments

- Match expressions obtained through localization Longhi-Nieri-Pittelli 19
- Implicitly, included fermion zero-modes in $m \geq 0$
- If included in $m \leq 0$, the expressions are: $\tilde{\mathcal{B}}_R^a(z; \sigma, \tau) = \mathcal{B}_R^a(z - \tau; \sigma, \tau)$
- Mixed b.c. reminiscent of BPS b.c. on a $\mathcal{N} = 2$ hypermultiplet
 - “Thimble boundary condition” Dimofte-Gaiotto 12
Bullimore et al 16/20/21
Dedushenko-Nekrasov 21

Generalizations

Gauge theories

- Extension to gauge theories possible but non-trivial.

- In general:

$$\mathcal{I}(\vec{z}; \sigma, \tau) = \frac{1}{|W|} \oint \prod_{i=1}^r \frac{dx_i}{2\pi i x_i} \Delta_G(\vec{u}) \mathcal{I}_{V_G}(\vec{u}; \sigma, \tau) \prod_j \mathcal{I}_{\chi_j}(\vec{u}, \vec{z}_j; \sigma, \tau)$$

vector multiplet and Vandermonde
determinant combine into elliptic Gamma

- Contour integral **prevents** naive factorization: Gauss law constraint.
- Getting rid of contour integral generally tricky. There exist **two methods**.

Higgs branch method

Benini-Cremonesi 12
Benini-Peelaers 13
Yoshida 14, Peelaers 14
Nieri-Pasquetti 15

- Applies to gauge theories whose gauge group can be **completely Higgsed**.
 - FI parameter and appropriate matter content.
- Since SCI is an RG invariant, expect an expression **without gauge integral**.
- Equivalent to **residue sum** of contour integral:

$$\mathcal{I}(z_i; \sigma, \tau) \sim \sum_a \mathcal{B}^a \tilde{\mathcal{B}}^a, \quad \mathcal{B}^a = \mathcal{B}_{\text{cl}}^a \mathcal{B}_{\text{pert}}^a \mathcal{B}_{\text{vortex}}^a$$

- In this case, modular factorization goes through.

Jejjala-Lei-SvL-Li 22

Bethe ansatz method

- Also computes the residue sum.

Benini-Milan 18

- Applies to more general gauge theories, but:

- Requires (in simplest case): $\sigma = \tau$.

Arabi-Ardehali-Hong-Liu 19

- Not fully understood for rank > 1 gauge theories.

Gonzales Lezcano-Hong et al 21
Benini-Rizi 21

- Modular factorization when $\sigma = \tau$:

$$\mathcal{B}_R^a(z; 2\tau, \tau) \tilde{\mathcal{B}}_R^a(z; 2\tau, \tau) \cong \mathcal{B}_R^a\left(\frac{z}{c\tau + d}; \frac{2\tau}{c\tau + d}, \frac{a\tau + b}{c\tau + d}\right) \tilde{\mathcal{B}}_R^a\left(\frac{z}{-c\tau + d}; \frac{2\tau}{-c\tau + d}, \frac{a\tau - b}{-c\tau + d}\right)$$

- Consistent with $\Gamma^0(n) \subset SL(2, \mathbb{Z})$ action when $R = \frac{m}{n}$.

Further generalizations

- SCFTs in **even dimensions**: $\mathcal{I} \sim \mathcal{Z}[S^{2d-1} \times S^1]$.
- S^{2d-1} admits **Hopf fibration**: $S^1 \hookrightarrow S^{2d-1} \rightarrow \mathbb{CP}^{d-1}$
 - BPS Hilbert space factorizes into d factors.
 - \mathbb{CP}^{d-1} has d \mathbb{C}^{d-1} patches where the fibration trivializes.
 - Consistent with factorization properties of multiple Gamma functions.
- SCFTs in **odd dimensions**?
 - Hilbert space factorization still applies.
 - Factor of automorphy may be more complicated.

Gadde 20
Lei-SvL 24

Cheng-Chun-Ferrari et al 18

3d limit

$SL(2, \mathbb{Z})$ family of 3d limits

- It is natural to **shrink** the T^2 spatial cycle, $S_{(c,d)}^1$.

$$\tilde{h}S_{23}O h^{-1} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 0 \\ -c & a & 1 \end{pmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ -c & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

- This corresponds to a Heegaard splitting of the **lens space** $L(c, 1)$.
- At the level of the moduli: $\tau \rightarrow -\frac{c}{d} + \epsilon \hat{\tau}$, $\sigma \rightarrow \frac{c}{d} + \epsilon \hat{\sigma}$, $z \rightarrow \epsilon \hat{z}$ for $\epsilon \rightarrow 0$.

$$\mathcal{I}_R(z; \sigma, \tau) = \mathcal{B}_R^a \left(\frac{z}{c\tau + d}; \frac{\sigma + \tau}{c\tau + d}, \frac{a\tau + b}{c\tau + d} \right) \tilde{\mathcal{B}}_R^a \left(\frac{z}{-c\sigma + d}; \frac{\tau + \sigma}{-c\sigma + d}, \frac{a\sigma - b}{-c\sigma + d} \right)$$

↓

$$Z_{3d}[L(c, 1)] \sim \mathcal{B}_{3d}^a \left(\frac{\hat{z}}{c\hat{\tau}}; \frac{\hat{\sigma} + \hat{\tau}}{c\hat{\tau}} \right) \tilde{\mathcal{B}}_{3d}^a \left(-\frac{\hat{z}}{c\hat{\sigma}}; \frac{\hat{\tau} + \hat{\sigma}}{c\hat{\sigma}} \right)$$

Geometry

$$\underline{D^2 \times T^2}$$

- Metric: $ds^2 = \frac{4dzd\bar{z}}{(1+|z|^2)^2} + dwd\bar{w}$

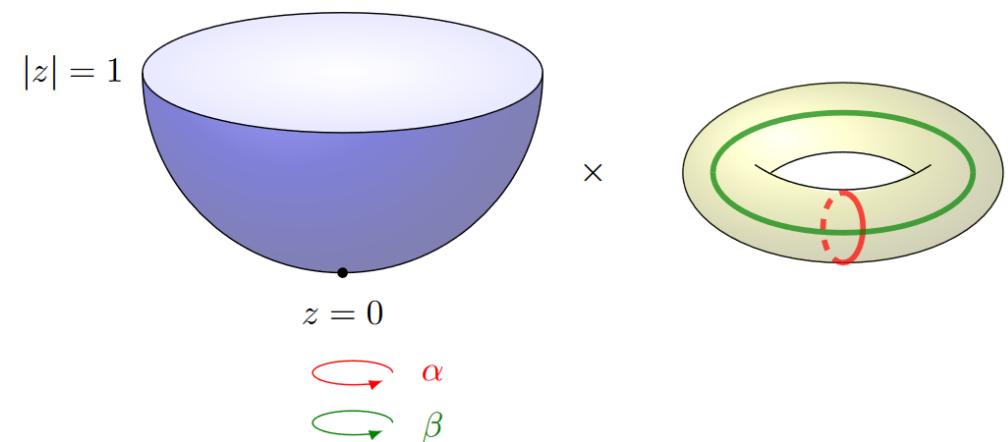
- Twisted b.c. implemented by:

$$\mathcal{B}^a(z; \sigma, \tau) = \text{tr}_{\mathcal{H}_{\text{BPS}}^a(D^2 \times S^1)} (-1)^F p^{J_3 - \frac{r}{2}} q^P y^Q$$

$$(z, w) \sim (e^{2\pi i \alpha} z, w + 2\pi) \sim (e^{2\pi i \beta} z, w + 2\pi\tau)$$

- Combine (α, β) into $\sigma = \beta - \alpha\tau$.


 specifies torus fibration
 over disk



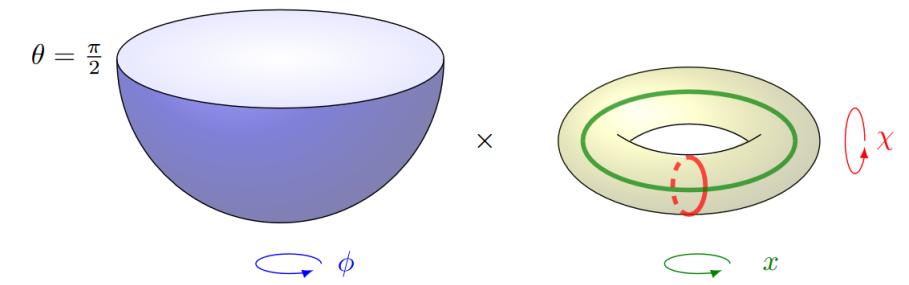
Large diffeomorphisms

- In real coordinates: $ds^2 = d\theta^2 + \sin^2 \theta (d\phi + \alpha d\chi + \beta dx)^2 + (d\chi + \tau_1 dx)^2 + \tau_2 dx^2$

- Moduli space $T^3 = \frac{GL(3, \mathbb{R})}{O(3, \mathbb{R}) \times \mathbb{R}^\times}$

$T^3 \text{ at } \theta = \frac{\pi}{2}$

$$\mathcal{M} = \begin{pmatrix} \tau_2 & \tau_1 & \beta \\ 0 & 1 & \alpha \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$



- $SL(3, \mathbb{Z})$ = large diffeomorphisms of T^3

- $H \subset SL(3, \mathbb{Z})$ = large diffeomorphisms of $D^2 \times T^2$: $h = \begin{pmatrix} a & b & * \\ c & d & * \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$

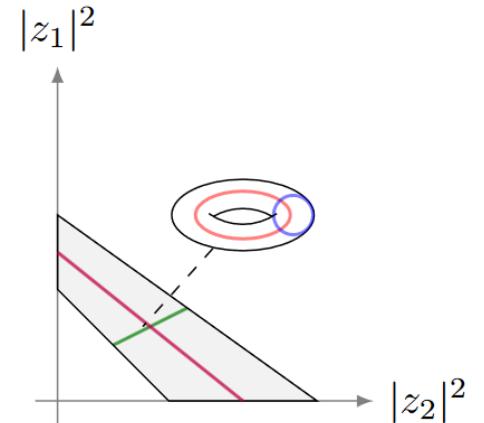
- Projective action: $(z; \sigma, \tau) \xrightarrow{h} \left(\frac{z}{c\tau+d}; \frac{\sigma}{c\tau+d}, \frac{a\tau+b}{c\tau+d} \right)$

$S^3 \times S^1$

fundamental domain

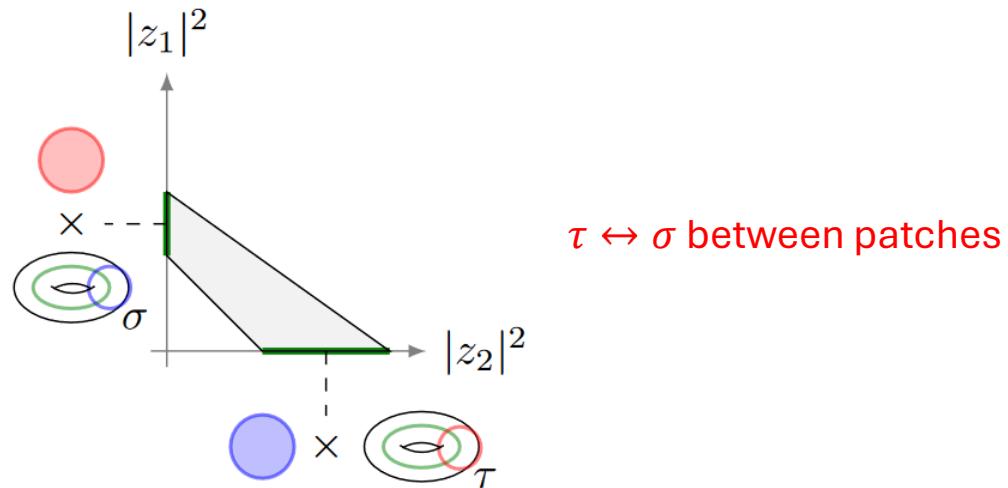
- Primary Hopf surface: for $(z_1, z_2) \in \mathbb{C}^2 \setminus \{(0,0)\}$

$$(z_1, z_2) \sim (pz_1, qz_2), \quad |p|, |q| \leq 1$$



- Real metric:

$$ds^2 = \frac{1}{4}d\theta^2 + \sin^2 \frac{\theta}{2}(d\phi + \sigma_1 dx) + \cos^2 \frac{\theta}{2}(d\chi + \tau_1 dx) + \tau_2^2 dx^2$$



Splitting the Hopf surface

- Zoom in on $D^2 \times T^2$ patch $|z_1| < |z_2|$ through:

Closset-Shamir 13

$$z = \frac{z_1}{z_2}, \quad w = -i \log z_2 \quad \text{other patch}$$

$$z' = \frac{1}{z}, \quad w' = w - i \log z$$

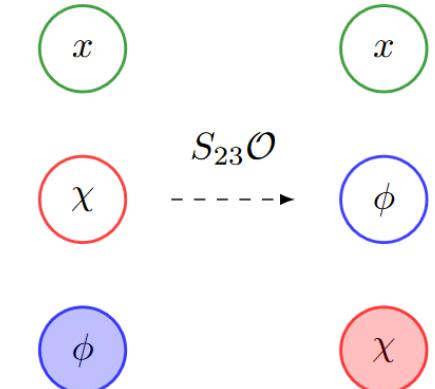
- Read off $D^2 \times T^2$ moduli:

$$\begin{array}{c} S^3 \times S^1(\sigma, \tau) \\ \downarrow \\ D^2 \times T^2(\sigma, \tau) \xrightarrow{S_{23}\mathcal{O}} D^2 \times T^2(\tau, \sigma) \end{array}$$

$$M = \begin{pmatrix} \tau_2 & \tau_1 & \sigma_1 - \tau_1 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}, \quad \tilde{M} = \begin{pmatrix} \tau_2 & \sigma_1 & \tau_1 - \sigma_1 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

- Related by $SL(3, \mathbb{Z})$: $\tilde{M} \sim \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} M$

expresses exchange of $\chi \leftrightarrow \phi$
between patches



Geometry underlying factorization

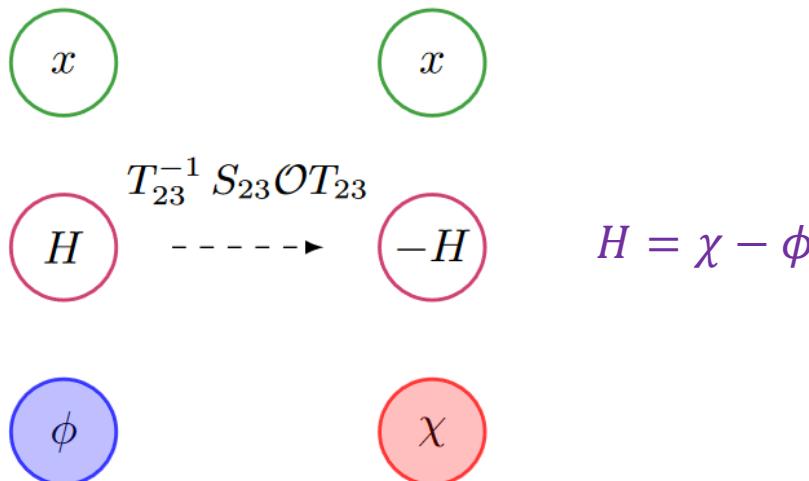
- Return to: $\mathcal{I}_R(z; \sigma, \tau) = \mathcal{B}_R^\alpha(z; \sigma + \tau, \tau) \tilde{\mathcal{B}}_R^\alpha(z; \tau + \sigma, \sigma)$
- Reflects an alternative splitting of the same Hopf surface:

$$S^3 \times S^1(\sigma, \tau) \rightarrow D^2 \times T^2(\sigma + \textcolor{red}{\tau}, \tau) \xrightarrow{T_{23}^{-1} S_{23} \mathcal{O} T_{23}} D^2 \times T^2(\tau + \textcolor{red}{\sigma}, \sigma)$$

$$M' = T_{23}^{-1} M$$

$$\tilde{M}' = T_{23}^{-1} \tilde{M}$$

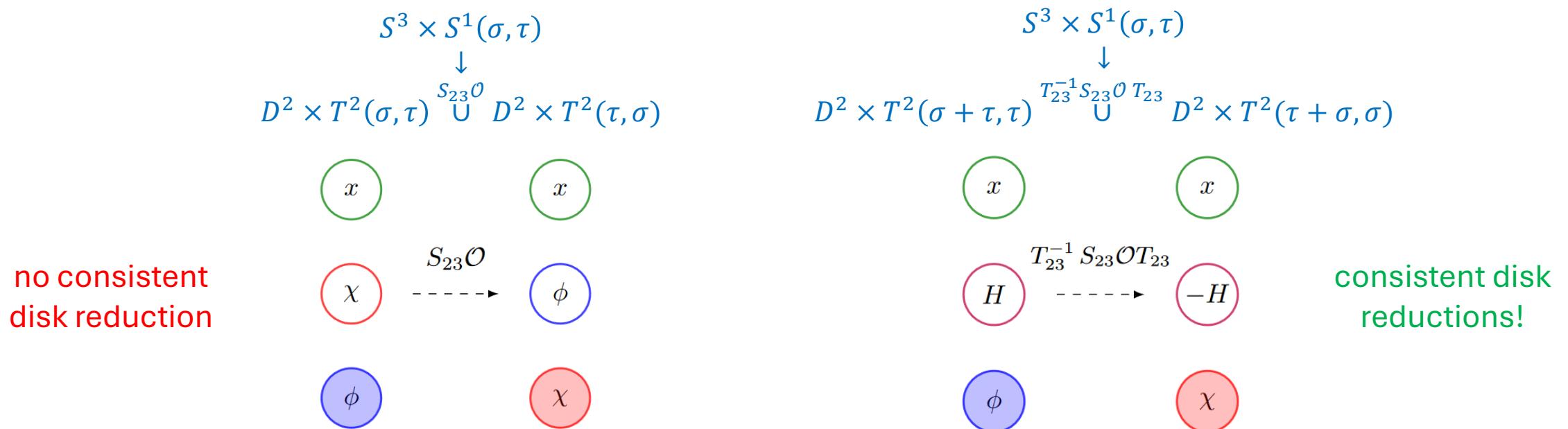
$$T_{23} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \in H$$



Not all splittings are equal

$$\mathcal{I}_R(z; \sigma, \tau) \stackrel{?}{=} \mathcal{B}_R^\alpha(z; \sigma, \tau) \tilde{\mathcal{B}}_R^\alpha(z; \tau, \sigma)$$

- Does not hold. What is the distinction?



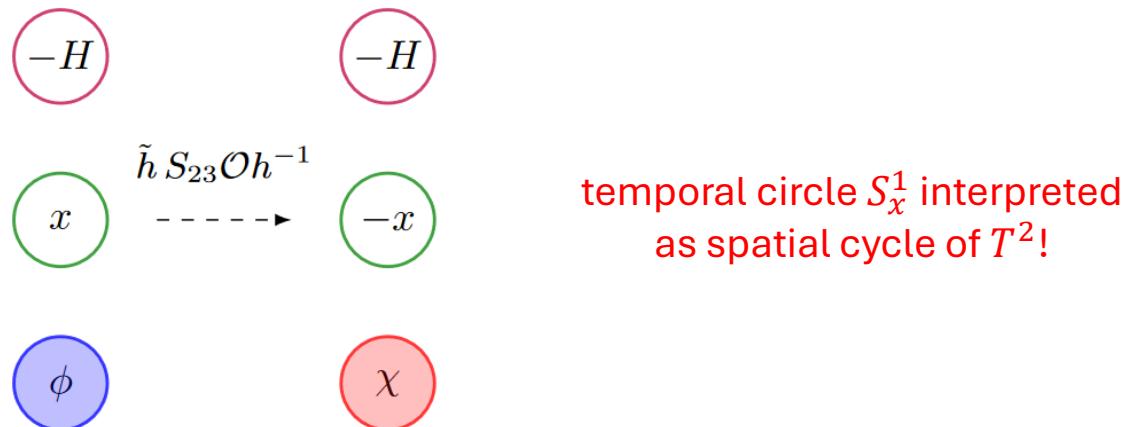
Other consistent splittings

- Consider: $M' = hM$, $\tilde{M}' = \tilde{h}\tilde{M}$

$$S^3 \times S^1(\sigma, \tau) \rightarrow D^2 \times T^2(h \cdot (\sigma, \tau)) \xrightarrow{\tilde{h}S_{23}O h^{-1}} D^2 \times T^2(\tilde{h} \cdot (\tau, \sigma))$$

- Splitting is consistent for any basis of cycles on $T^2 = S_H^1 \times S_x^1$

- Example:



Index version modular factorization

Prediction

- Predicts: $\mathcal{I}_R(z; \sigma, \tau) \stackrel{?}{=} \mathcal{B}_R^a\left(\frac{z}{c\tau+d}; \frac{\sigma+\tau}{c\tau+d}, \frac{a\tau+b}{c\tau+d}\right) \tilde{\mathcal{B}}_R^a\left(\frac{z}{-c\sigma+d}; \frac{\tau+\sigma}{-c\sigma+d}, \frac{a\sigma-b}{-c\sigma+d}\right)$
- In more detail:

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{I}_R(z; \sigma, \tau) &= \prod_{m=0}^{\infty} \left(\text{tr}_{\mathcal{H}^{(m)}(\textcolor{red}{S_H^1})} (-1)^F (pq)^{J_1 - \frac{r}{2}} q^{-2j_2} \textcolor{violet}{y}^Q \right) \times \left(\text{tr}_{\tilde{\mathcal{H}}^{(m)}(\textcolor{red}{S_H^1})} (-1)^F (qp)^{J_2 - \frac{r}{2}} p^{2j_2} \textcolor{violet}{y}^Q \right) \\ &\cong \prod_{m=0}^{\infty} \left(\text{tr}_{\mathcal{H}^{(m)}(\textcolor{red}{S_{(c,d)}^1})} (-1)^F (\tilde{p}\tilde{q})^{J_1 - \frac{r}{2}} \tilde{q}^{-2j'_2} \tilde{y}^Q \right) \times \left(\text{tr}_{\tilde{\mathcal{H}}^{(m)}(\textcolor{red}{S_{(c,d)}^1})} (-1)^F (\hat{q}\hat{p})^{J_2 - \frac{r}{2}} \hat{p}^{2j'_2} \hat{y}^Q \right) \end{aligned}$$

allow for
 “factor of automorphy”

$$\tilde{p} = e^{2\pi i \frac{\sigma+\tau}{c\tau+d}}, \tilde{q} = e^{2\pi i \frac{a\tau+b}{c\tau+d}}, \tilde{y} = e^{2\pi i \frac{z}{c\tau+d}} \quad \hat{q} = e^{2\pi i \frac{\tau+\sigma}{-c\sigma+d}}, \hat{p} = e^{2\pi i \frac{a\sigma-b}{-c\sigma+d}}, \hat{y} = e^{2\pi i \frac{z}{-c\sigma+d}}$$