

Title: Emergence of Supergroups from Junctions of M-branes

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Abstract: <p>We study the boundary conditions in the topologically twisted Chern-Simons matter theories with the Lie 3-algebraic structure. We find that the supersymmetric boundary conditions and the gauge invariant boundary conditions can be unified as the complexified gauge invariant boundary conditions which lead to the supergroup WZW models. We examine the BPS indices of the supergroup WZW models which may describe certain junctions of M2-branes and M5-branes by identifying the vacuum configurations of the brane system with the weight diagrams of the associated Lie superalgebras. For the case arising from the BLG model an explicit expression can be given in terms of a mock modular form. We will also consider the alternative matrix quantum mechanical descriptions of the supergroup WZW models. The talk will be based on recent works arXiv:1512.06646, arXiv:1612.07565 and ongoing research.</p>

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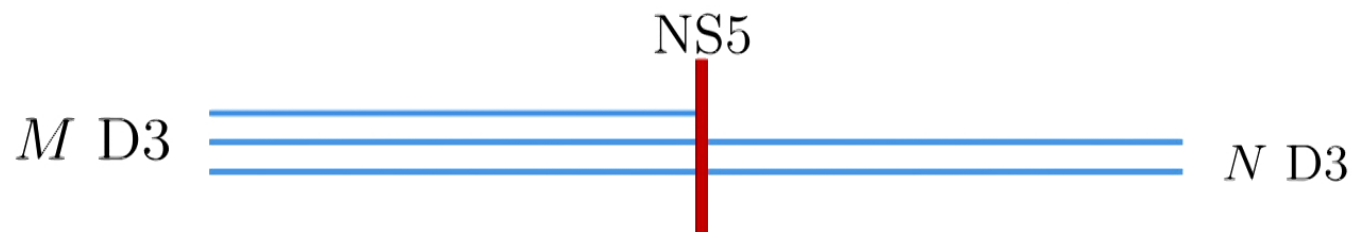
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Joint work with Douglas J Smith
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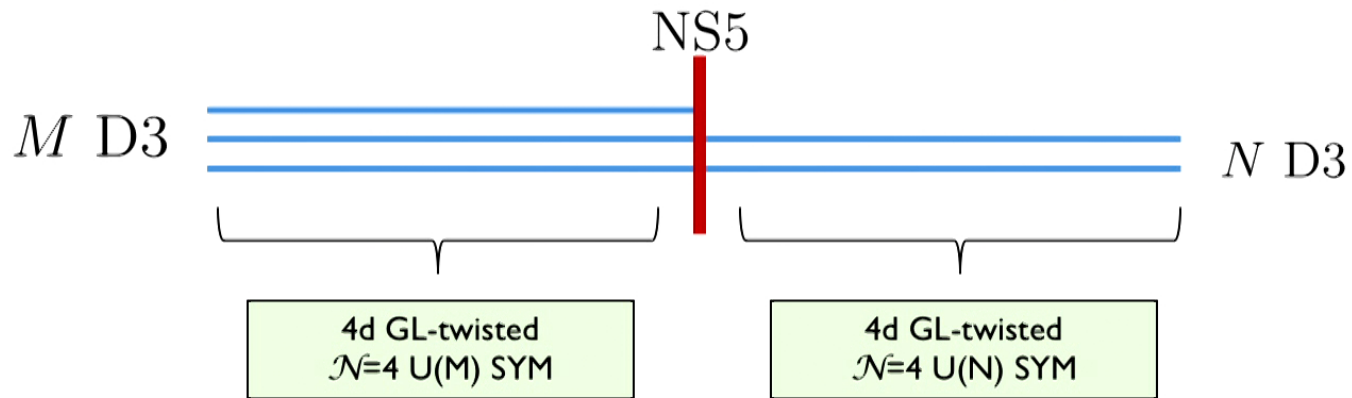
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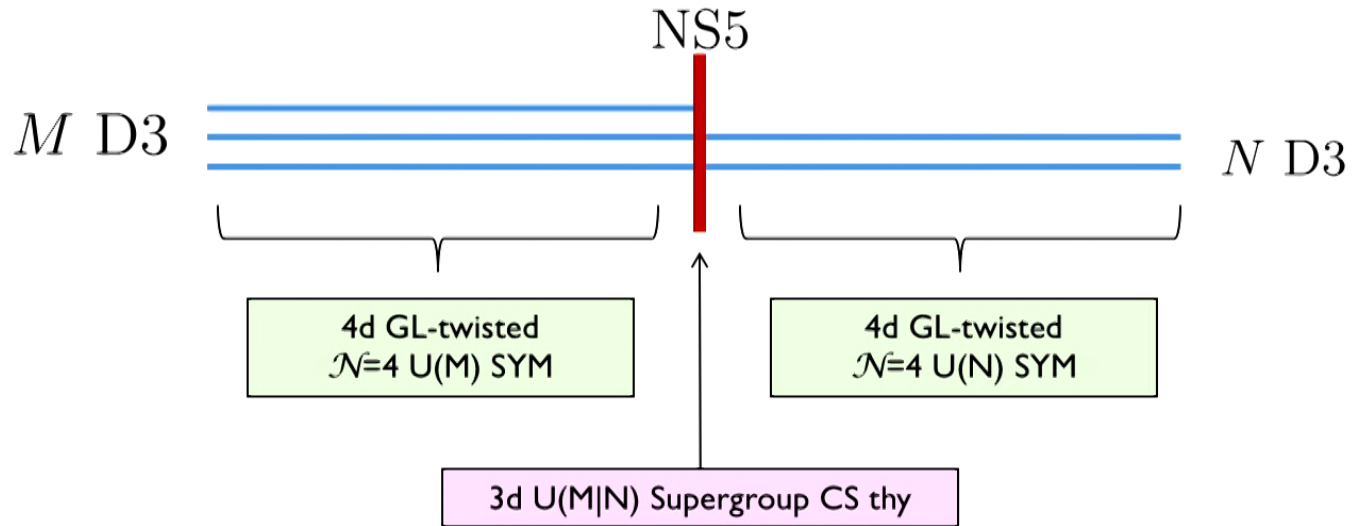
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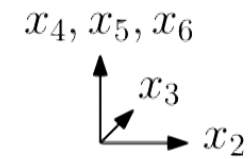
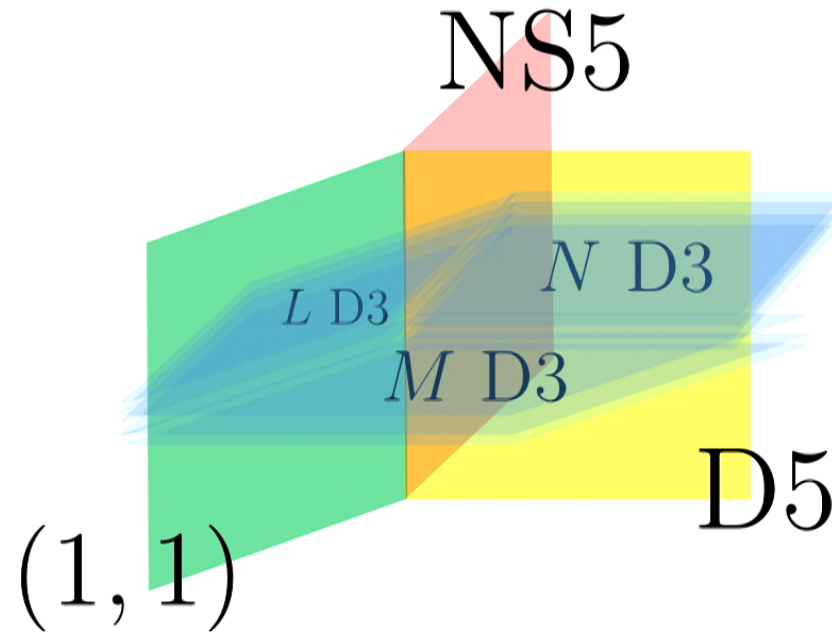
$$S = \{Q, \dots\} + \frac{i\mathcal{K}}{8\pi} \int \text{Str} \left(\mathcal{A} \wedge d\mathcal{A} + \frac{2}{3} \mathcal{A} \wedge \mathcal{A} \wedge \mathcal{A} \right)$$

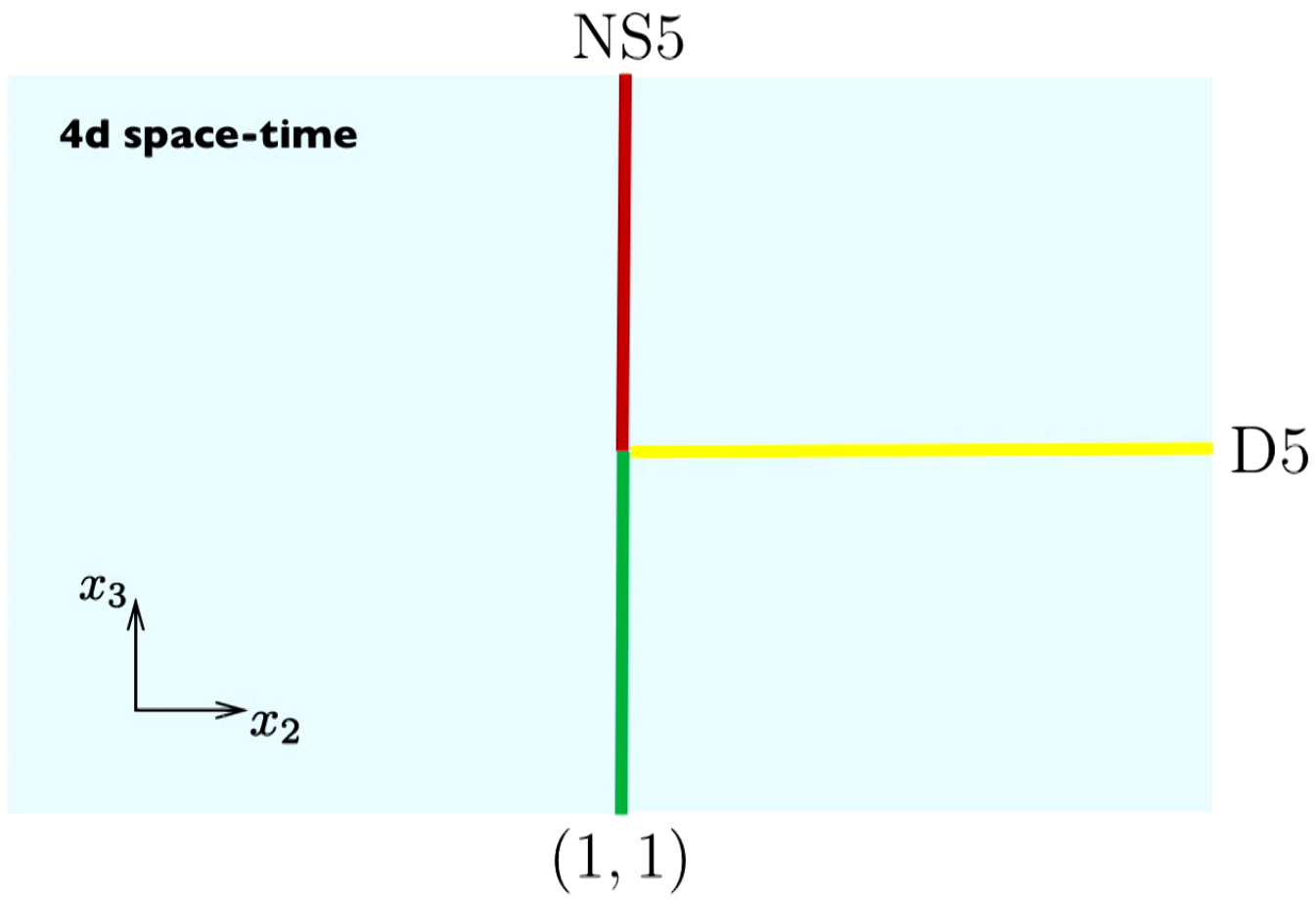
$$\Psi = \mathcal{K} + h \text{sgn}(\mathcal{K}) \quad \Psi = \frac{\theta_{\text{YM}}}{2\pi} + \frac{4\pi i}{g^2} \frac{t-t^{-1}}{t+t^{-1}} \quad \epsilon = u\epsilon_\ell + v\epsilon_r$$

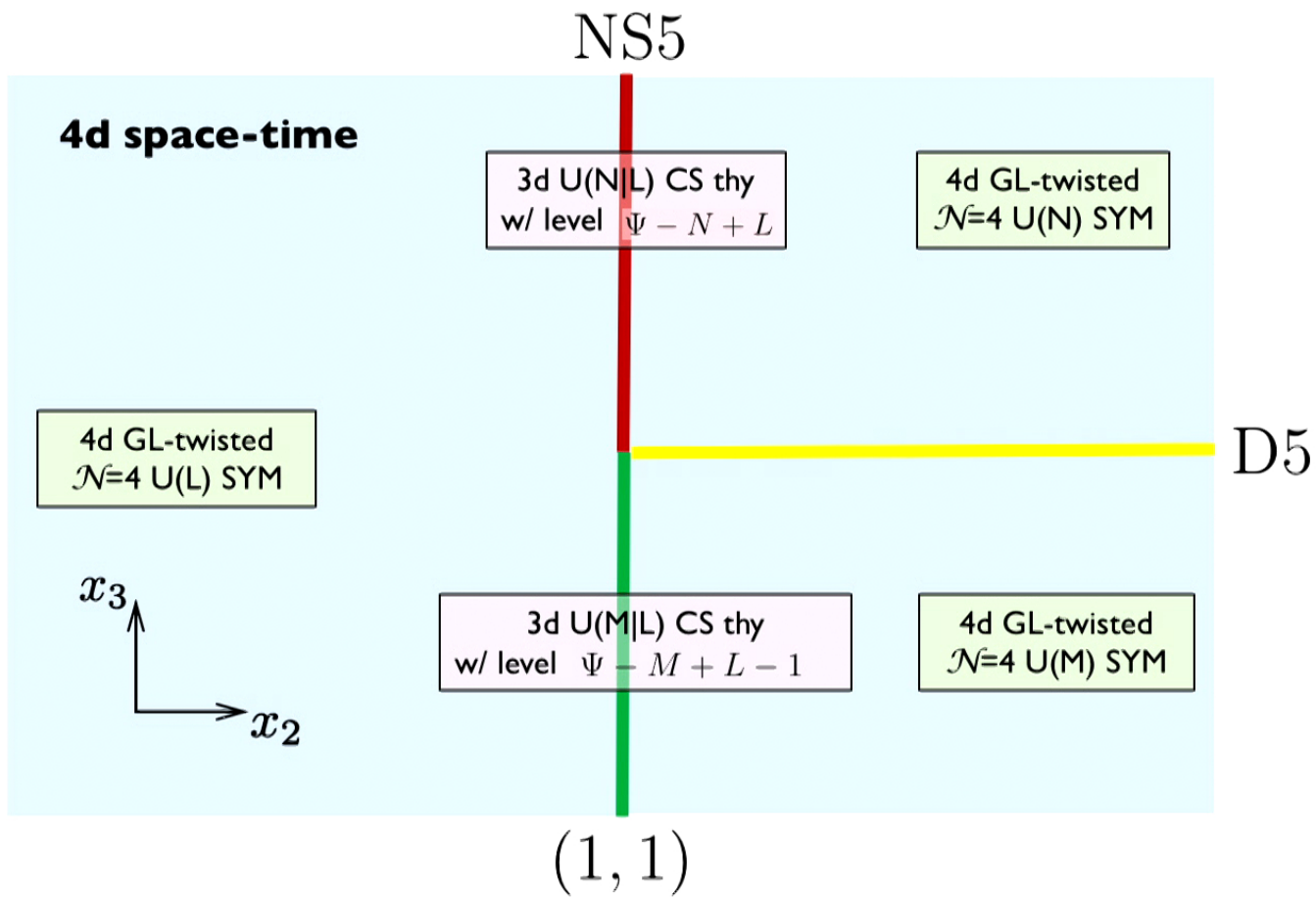
$$t = \frac{v}{u}$$

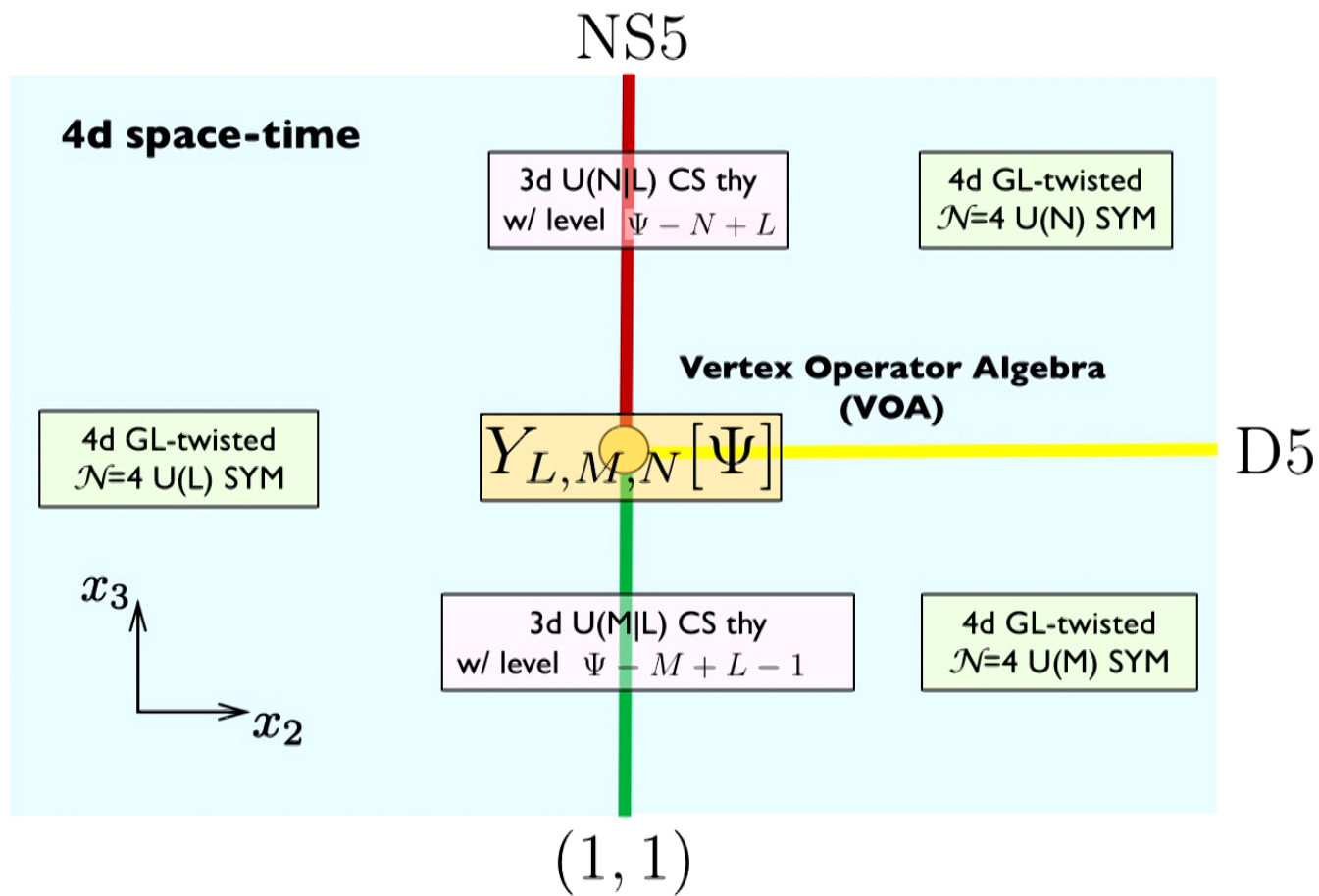
Junctions of D3 and five-branes

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VOA originates from **WZW algebra** of
 $U(N|L) \times U(M|L)$ Lie supergroup at interface !

Q. What about in M-theory ?

Outline

- I. Introduction
- II. Topological Twist and SUSY boundary conditions } review
- III. Topological M-Strings and SG WZW Models } recent work
- IV. Mock Modular Index
- V. Quantum Mechanical Matrix Model } ongoing work

II. Topological Twist and SUSY boundary conditions

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the **Euclidean rotational sym. group**
with the **R-sym group**

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- defined on arbitrary curved mfd
- exact computation of pfn & index

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Topological twist describes curved branes !

ambient manifolds (dimensions)	holonomy	submanifolds	SUSY
Calabi-Yau 2-fold (4)	$SU(2) \subset SO(4)$	holomorphic curve (2)	$\frac{1}{2}$
Calabi-Yau 3-fold (6)	$SU(3) \subset SO(6)$	Lagrangian (3)	$\frac{1}{4}$
G_2 manifold (7)	$G_2 \subset SO(7)$	coassociative (4)	$\frac{1}{8}$
$Spin(7)$ manifold (8)	$Spin(7) \subset SO(8)$	associative (3)	$\frac{1}{8}$
Calabi-Yau 4-fold (8)	$SU(4) \subset SO(8)$	Cayley (4)	$\frac{1}{16}$
Hyperkähler manifold (8)	$Sp(2) \subset SO(8)$	Lagrangian (4)	$\frac{1}{8}$
$CY_2 \times CY_2$ (8)	$SU(2) \times SU(2) \subset SO(8)$		$\frac{3}{16}$
Calabi-Yau 5-fold (10)	$SU(5) \subset SO(10)$	Lagrangian (5)	$\frac{1}{4}$
			$\frac{1}{16}$

Curved BPS branes
on **calibrated submfd** (SUSY cycle) \subset **ambient space**



decoupling limit

world-volume theory of
curved BPS branes = **Topologically twisted theory**

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Ex. Curved D3-branes

world-volume theory
of flat N D3-branes = **4d $\mathcal{N}=4$ U(N) SYM thy**

$$\mathcal{L} = \frac{1}{e^2} \text{Tr} \left(\frac{1}{4} F_{\mu\nu} F^{\mu\nu} + \frac{1}{2} D_\mu \phi_I D^\mu \phi^I - \frac{1}{4} [\phi_I, \phi_J] [\phi^I, \phi^J] + \frac{1}{2} \bar{\psi} \Gamma^\mu D_\mu \psi - \frac{i}{2} \bar{\psi} \Gamma^I [\phi_I, \psi] \right)$$

<p>world-volume of D3-branes</p> <p>\mathbf{R}^4</p>	<p>\times</p>	<p>transverse space of D3-branes</p> <p>\mathbf{R}^6</p>	<p>\cong $\text{SO}(4)_E \times \text{SO}(6)_R$ $\cong \text{SU}(2)_l \times \text{SU}(2)_r \times \text{SU}(4)_R$</p>	<p>$\phi : (1, 1, 6)$ $\psi : (2, 1, \bar{4}) \oplus (1, 2, 4)$ $A_\mu : (2, 2, 1)$</p>
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$$\text{SO}(4)'_E = (1+\rho)\text{SO}(4)$$

ρ : homomorphism (embedding) of $\text{SO}(4)_E$ into $\text{SO}(6)_R$

There are only 3 distinct topological twists

$$\text{SO}(6)_R = \text{SU}(4)_R \rightarrow \text{SU}(2) \times \text{SU}(2) \times \text{U}(1)$$

$$4 = \begin{cases} \text{i.} & (2,1)_+ + (1,2)_- & \text{GL twist} \\ \text{ii.} & (2,1)_+ + (2,1)_- & \text{VW twist} \\ \text{iii.} & (2,1)_0 + (1,1)_+ + (1,1)_- & \text{DW twist} \end{cases}$$

3 twisted 4d N=4 SYM

twist	$SO(4)'_E = SU(2)'_l \times SU(2)'_r$		dim X	SUSY
	$\phi : (1, 1, 6)$	$\psi : (2, 1, \bar{4}) \oplus (1, 2, 4)$		
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Beautiful interpretation of twisted 4d $\mathcal{N}=4$ SYM as curved D3-branes !

world-volume theory
of **flat** 2 M2-branes = **3d $\mathcal{N}=8$ BLG-model**

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{L} = & -\frac{1}{2}(D_\mu X^I, D^\mu X^I) + \frac{i}{2}(\bar{\Psi}, \Gamma^\mu D_\mu \Psi) \\ & + \frac{i}{4}(\bar{\Psi}\Gamma^{IJ}[X^I, X^J, \Psi]) - \frac{1}{12}([X^I, X^J, X^K], [X^I, X^J, X^K]) \\ & + \frac{1}{2}\epsilon^{\mu\nu\lambda} \left[\text{Tr} \left(A_{\mu ab} \partial_\nu \tilde{A}_\lambda^{ab} \right) + \frac{2}{3} \text{Tr} \left(A_{\mu ab} \tilde{A}_{\nu g}^a \tilde{A}_{\lambda g}^b \right) \right] \end{aligned}$$

world-volume
of M2-branes
 $\mathbf{R}^{1,2}$ \times **transverse space**
of M2-branes
 \mathbf{R}^8

$\text{SO}(1,2) \times \text{SO}(8)_R$

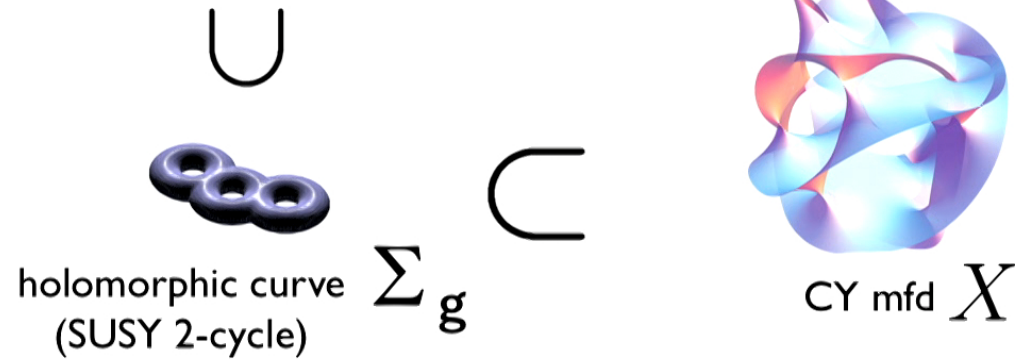
X^I **$\mathfrak{8}_v$**

Ψ **$\mathfrak{8}_c$**

A_μ **1**

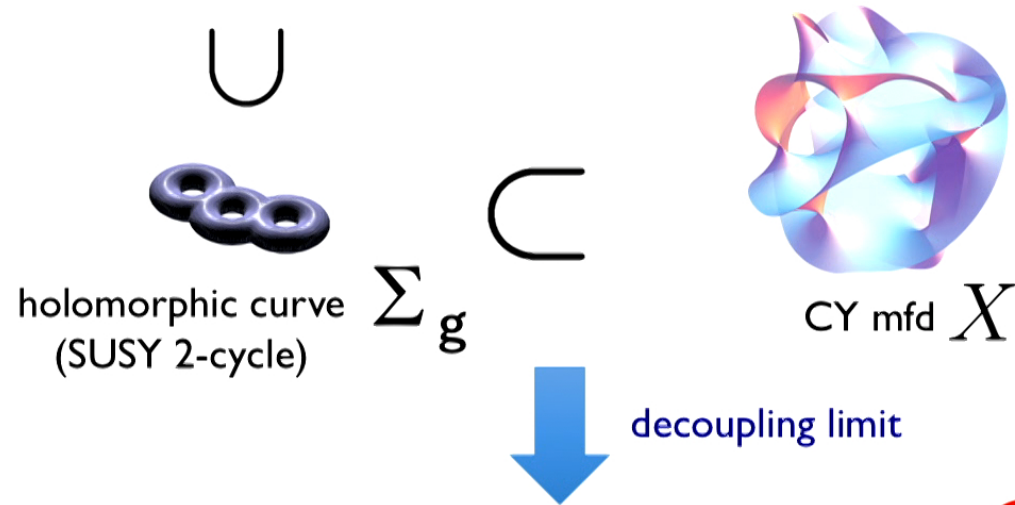
Curved M2-branes

wrapped M2-branes
around Riemann surface Σ_g



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Q. What is the world-volume theory



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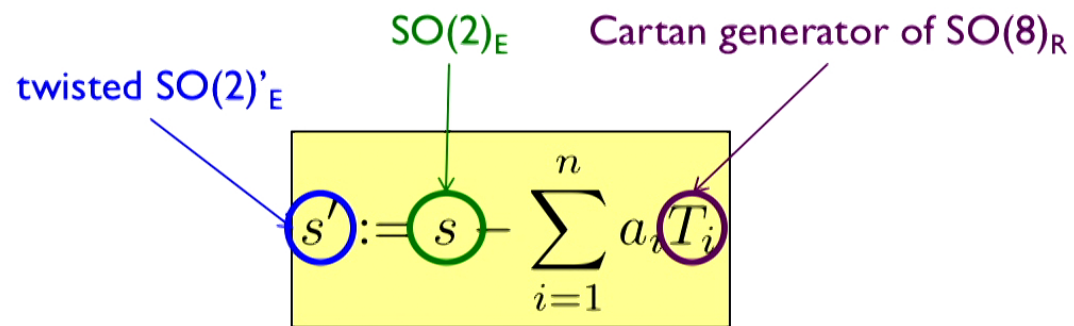
$\mathrm{SO}(2)_{\mathrm{E}}$ Cartan generator of $\mathrm{SO}(8)_{\mathrm{R}}$

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Diagram illustrating the decomposition of $\mathrm{SO}(8)_{\mathrm{R}}$ into $\mathrm{SO}(2)_1 \times \mathrm{SO}(2)_2 \times \mathrm{SO}(2)_3 \times \mathrm{SO}(2)_4$. The diagram shows a yellow box containing the expression $s' := s - \sum_{i=1}^n a_i T_i$. The term s' is circled in blue and labeled "twisted $\mathrm{SO}(2)'_{\mathrm{E}}$ ". The term s is circled in green and labeled $\mathrm{SO}(2)_{\mathrm{E}}$. The term T_i is circled in purple and labeled "Cartan generator of $\mathrm{SO}(8)_{\mathrm{R}}$ ".

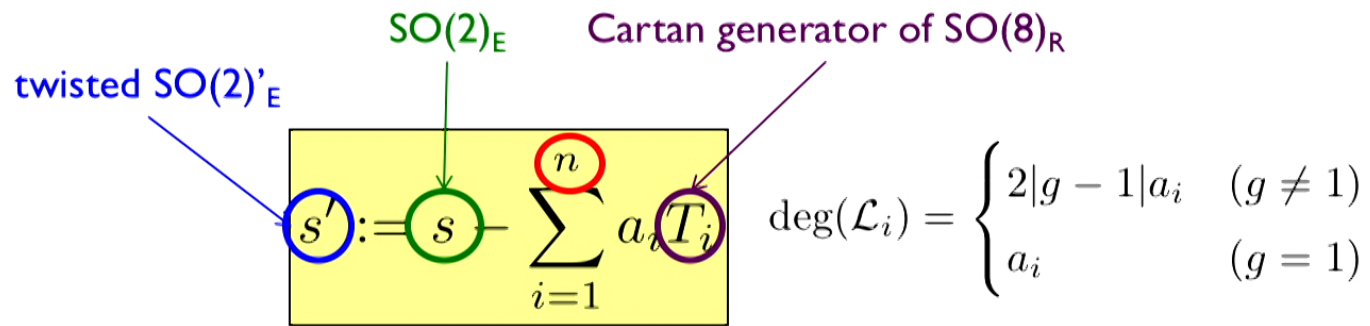
$$\deg(\mathcal{L}_i) = \begin{cases} 2|g-1|a_i & (g \neq 1) \\ a_i & (g = 1) \end{cases}$$

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- $n=1 \rightarrow \mathrm{CY}_2 \mathcal{N}=8$
- $n=2 \rightarrow \mathrm{CY}_3 \mathcal{N}=4$
- $n=3 \rightarrow \mathrm{CY}_4 \mathcal{N}=2$
- $n=4 \rightarrow \mathrm{CY}_5 \mathcal{N}=2$

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SUSY Boundary Condition

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EOM

$$\delta S = \int d^d x \partial_\mu \left[\frac{\delta \mathcal{L}}{\delta \partial_\mu \Phi} \delta \Phi \right] = 0$$

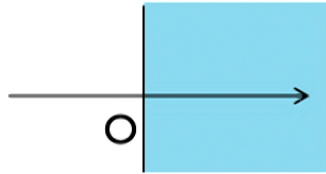
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required for QFT



SUSY

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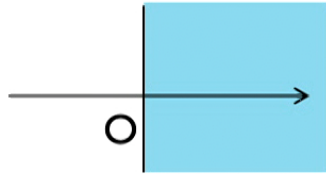
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Supercurrent

Lagrangian & SUSY transf $\Rightarrow J^\mu = \frac{\delta \mathcal{L}}{\delta \partial_\mu \Phi} \delta_\epsilon \Phi - \mathcal{M}_\epsilon^\mu = 0$

SUSY BC

$$\epsilon J^\perp | = 0$$

Ex. Open D3-branes

	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
D3	○	○	○	—	—	—	○	—	—	—
NS5	○	○	○	○	○	○	—	—	—	—
D5	○	○	○	—	—	—	—	○	○	○

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D3-NS5-D5 brane system

$$SO(6)_R \longrightarrow SO(1,2) \times SO(3)_Y \times SO(3)_X$$

$$\vec{\phi} \rightarrow \left\{ \vec{Y}, \vec{X} \right\}$$

$$0 = \bar{\varepsilon} (\Gamma^{\mu\nu} F_{\mu\nu} + 2\Gamma^{3\mu} F_{3\mu}) \Psi'$$

$$0 = \sum_{\mu=0,1,2} \bar{\varepsilon} (\Gamma^{\mu a} D_{\mu} X_a) \Psi'$$

$$0 = \sum_{\mu=0,1,2} \bar{\varepsilon} (\Gamma^{\mu m} D_{\mu} Y_m) \Psi'$$

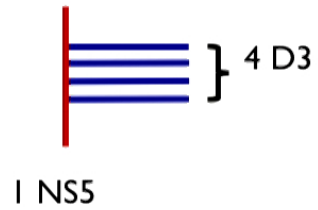
$$0 = \bar{\varepsilon} \Gamma^{am} [X_a, Y_m] \Psi'$$

$$0 = \bar{\varepsilon} (2\Gamma^{3a} D_3 X_a + \Gamma^{ab} [X_a, X_b]) \Psi'$$

$$0 = \bar{\varepsilon} (2\Gamma^{3m} D_3 Y_m + \Gamma^{mn} [Y_m, Y_n]) \Psi'.$$

NS5-like BC

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$$F_{3\mu}| = 0$$

$$D_3 Y| = 0$$

Neumann B.C. of
U(4) thy.

D5-like BC



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$$D_3 X| = 0$$

Dirichlet B.C. of
U(1) thy.

Ex. Open M2-branes

world-volume theory
of **flat** 2 M2-branes = **3d $\mathcal{N}=8$ BLG-model**

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{L} = & -\frac{1}{2}(D_\mu X^I, D^\mu X^I) + \frac{i}{2}(\bar{\Psi}, \Gamma^\mu D_\mu \Psi) \\ & + \frac{i}{4}(\bar{\Psi}\Gamma^{IJ}[X^I, X^J, \Psi]) - \frac{1}{12}([X^I, X^J, X^K], [X^I, X^J, X^K]) \\ & + \frac{1}{2}\epsilon^{\mu\nu\lambda} \left[\text{Tr} \left(A_{\mu ab} \partial_\nu \tilde{A}_\lambda^{ab} \right) + \frac{2}{3} \text{Tr} \left(A_{\mu ab} \tilde{A}_{\nu g}^a \tilde{A}_{\lambda g}^b \right) \right] \end{aligned}$$

$\text{SO}(1,2) \times \text{SO}(8)_R$

world-volume of M2-branes $\mathbf{R}^{1,2}$ \times **transverse space** of M2-branes \mathbf{R}^8

X^I $\mathbf{8}_v$

Ψ $\mathbf{8}_c$

A_μ $\mathbf{1}$

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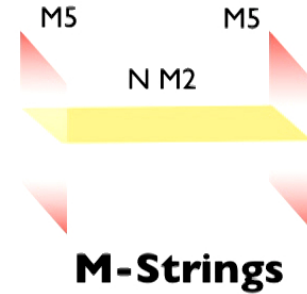
rotational sym. group
on **world-volume**
of M2-branes

rotational sym. group
on **transverse space**
of M2-branes

reduced by
additional branes

'08 Berman et al.

	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
M2	○	○	○	×	×	×	×	×	×	×	×
M5	○	○	×	○	○	×	×	×	×	○	○



$$\mathbf{SO}(8)_R \longrightarrow \mathbf{SO}(4)_{34910} \times \mathbf{SO}(4)_{5678}$$

$$X^I \rightarrow \{X^i, Y^{\hat{i}}\}$$

$$\begin{aligned} 0 &= \bar{\epsilon} J^2 \Big|_{\text{bdy}} \\ &= D_\alpha X^i (\bar{\epsilon} \Gamma^{i\alpha 2} \Psi) + D_\alpha Y^{\hat{i}} (\bar{\epsilon} \Gamma^{\hat{i}\alpha 2} \Psi) \\ &+ D_2 X^i (\bar{\epsilon} \Gamma^i \Psi) + D_2 Y^{\hat{i}} (\bar{\epsilon} \Gamma^{\hat{i}} \Psi) \\ &- \frac{1}{6} [X^i, X^j, X^k] (\bar{\epsilon} \Gamma^{ijk} \Gamma^2 \Psi) - \frac{1}{6} [Y^{\hat{i}}, Y^{\hat{j}}, Y^{\hat{k}}] (\bar{\epsilon} \Gamma^{\hat{i}\hat{j}\hat{k}} \Gamma^2 \Psi) \\ &- \frac{1}{2} [X^i, X^j, Y^{\hat{k}}] (\bar{\epsilon} \Gamma^{ij\hat{k}} \Gamma^2 \Psi) - \frac{1}{2} [X^i, Y^{\hat{j}}, Y^{\hat{k}}] (\bar{\epsilon} \Gamma^{i\hat{j}\hat{k}} \Gamma^2 \Psi) \Big|_{\text{bdy}} \end{aligned}$$

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'04 Basu Harvey

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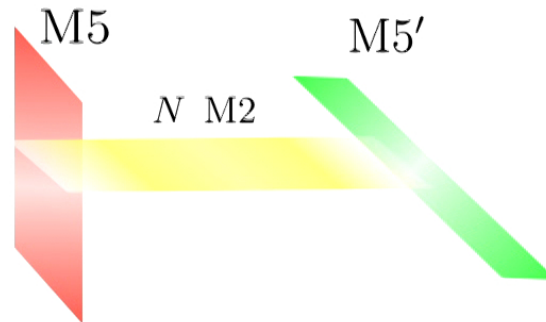
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$$\begin{aligned} & \text{BLG} \\ & \text{SU}(2)_R \times \text{SU}(2)_{-R} \\ & \rightarrow \text{SL}(2) \times \text{SL}(2) \\ & \subset \text{PSL}(2|2) \end{aligned}$$

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III. Topological M-Strings & SG WZW Models

Topological M-Strings



	Σ_g			\mathbb{R}_{34}^2		\mathbb{R}_{56}^2		\mathbb{R}_{78}^2		N_Σ	
	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
M5	○	○		○	○					○	○
M5'	○	○				○	○			○	○
M2	○	○	○								

}
 fixed

K3
 $32/2=16$
 supercharges

M2 projection
 $\Rightarrow 16/2=8$
 supercharges

M5-M5' projection
 $\Rightarrow 8/2^2=2$
 supercharges

Our Approach

Step 1

Topologically twists of BLG (ABJM)
describing curved M2 wrapped on Σ_g in K3.

M2 projection
 $\Rightarrow 16/2=8$
supercharges

Step 2

Boundary conditions of the topologically twisted BLG (ABJM)
describing “Topological M-Strings”

M5-M5' projection
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Topological twisted BLG

$$\mathbf{SO}(8)_R \longrightarrow \mathbf{SO}(2)_R \times \mathbf{SO}(6)_R$$

$$X^I \quad \mathfrak{8}_v \quad \quad \quad \mathfrak{6}_0 \oplus \mathfrak{1}_2 \oplus \mathfrak{1}_{-2}$$

$$\phi^I \quad \Phi_z \quad \Phi_{\bar{z}}$$

$$\Psi \quad \mathfrak{8}_{c+} \oplus \mathfrak{8}_{c-} \quad \quad \quad \mathfrak{4}_2 \oplus \bar{\mathfrak{4}}_0 \oplus \mathfrak{4}_0 \oplus \bar{\mathfrak{4}}_{-2}$$

$$\Psi_z \quad \tilde{\lambda} \quad \psi \quad \tilde{\Psi}_{\bar{z}}$$

$$\epsilon \quad \mathfrak{8}_{s+} \oplus \mathfrak{8}_{s-} \quad \quad \quad \mathfrak{4}_0 \oplus \bar{\mathfrak{4}}_2 \oplus \mathfrak{4}_{-2} \oplus \bar{\mathfrak{4}}_0$$

$$\epsilon \quad \tilde{\epsilon}_z \quad \epsilon_{\bar{z}} \quad \tilde{\epsilon}$$

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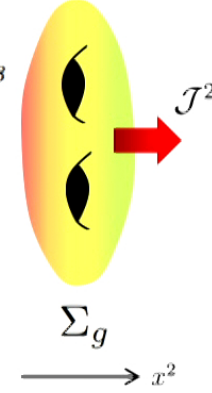
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X^I	$\mathfrak{8}_v$	$\mathfrak{6}_0 \oplus \mathfrak{1}_2 \oplus \mathfrak{1}_{-2}$
		$\underbrace{\phi^I}_{\text{flat space}} \quad \underbrace{\Phi_z \quad \Phi_{\bar{z}}}_{\mathbf{N}_\Sigma}$
Ψ	$\mathfrak{8}_{c+} \oplus \mathfrak{8}_{c-}$	$\mathfrak{4}_2 \oplus \bar{\mathfrak{4}}_0 \oplus \mathfrak{4}_0 \oplus \bar{\mathfrak{4}}_{-2}$
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ϵ	$\mathfrak{8}_{s+} \oplus \mathfrak{8}_{s-}$	$\mathfrak{4}_0 \oplus \bar{\mathfrak{4}}_2 \oplus \mathfrak{4}_{-2} \oplus \bar{\mathfrak{4}}_0$
		$\underbrace{\epsilon}_{\text{8 supercharges}} \quad \tilde{\epsilon}_z \quad \epsilon_{\bar{z}} \quad \underbrace{\tilde{\epsilon}}_{\text{8 supercharges}}$

SUSY BC in twisted BLG

$$\epsilon_A^{\alpha\beta} = \frac{i}{\sqrt{2}} \tilde{\xi}_A (\gamma_+ \epsilon^{-1})^{\alpha\beta} + i \epsilon_{\bar{z}A} (\gamma^{\bar{z}} \epsilon^{-1})^{\alpha\beta} - \frac{i}{\sqrt{2}} \xi_A (\gamma_- \epsilon^{-1})^{\alpha\beta} - i \tilde{\epsilon}_{zA} (\gamma^z \epsilon^{-1})^{\alpha\beta}$$

$$4_0 \oplus \bar{4}_2 \oplus 4_{-2} \oplus \bar{4}_0$$



$$\begin{aligned} 0 &= \bar{\xi} \mathcal{J}^2 - \tilde{\xi} \tilde{\mathcal{J}}^2 \Big|_{\text{bdy}} \\ &= -\bar{\xi} \left[D_2 \phi^I \hat{\Gamma}^I - \frac{1}{6} [\phi^I, \phi^J, \phi^K] \hat{\Gamma}^{IJK} - [\Phi_z, \Phi_{\bar{z}}, \phi^I] \hat{\Gamma}^I \right] \psi \\ &\quad - \bar{\xi} \left[i D_{\bar{z}} \phi^I \hat{\Gamma}^I \right] \Psi_z - \tilde{\xi} [2i D_{\bar{z}} \Phi_z] \tilde{\lambda} - \tilde{\xi} \left[D_2 \Phi_z + \frac{1}{2} [\phi^I, \phi^J, \Phi_z] \hat{\Gamma}^{IJ} \right] \tilde{\Psi}_{\bar{z}} \\ &\quad + \tilde{\xi} \left[D_2 \phi^I \hat{\Gamma}^I - \frac{1}{6} [\phi^I, \phi^J, \phi^K] \hat{\Gamma}^{IJK} - [\Phi_z, \Phi_{\bar{z}}, \phi^I] \hat{\Gamma}^I \right] \tilde{\lambda} \\ &\quad + \tilde{\xi} \left[i D_z \phi^I \hat{\Gamma}^I \right] \tilde{\Psi}_{\bar{z}} + \tilde{\xi} [2i D_z \Phi_{\bar{z}}] \psi + \tilde{\xi} \left[-D_2 \Phi_{\bar{z}} - \frac{1}{2} [\phi^I, \phi^J, \Phi_{\bar{z}}] \hat{\Gamma}^{IJ} \right] \Psi_z \Big|_{\text{bdy}} \end{aligned}$$

SUSY BC preserving 2 supercharges

$$D_2\varphi^{\hat{i}} - [\Phi_z, \Phi_{\bar{z}}, \varphi^{\hat{i}}] \Big|_{\text{bdy}} = 0 \quad D_z\varphi^{\hat{i}} \Big|_{\text{bdy}} = 0 \quad D_{\bar{z}}\varphi^{\hat{i}} \Big|_{\text{bdy}} = 0$$

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Basu-Harvey like eq
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choice of holomorphic curve in K3

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0

=> One of the components of gauge fields vanish at bdy

$$A_{\bar{z}} \Big|_{\text{bdy}} = 0$$

Gauge inv BC

'89 Elitzur etal.

=> Lagrange multiplier requiring the flatness cond. $F_{2z} = 0$

For simplicity assume that it can be solved via pure gauge

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$$S_{WZW} = -\frac{k}{8\pi} \int_{\Sigma} d^2x \text{Tr} (g^{-1} \partial_{\alpha} g)^2 - \frac{ik}{12\pi} \int_M d^3x \epsilon^{\mu\nu\lambda} \text{Tr} (g^{-1} \partial_{\mu} g \cdot g^{-1} \partial_{\nu} g \cdot g^{-1} \partial_{\lambda} g)$$

WZW model '89 Elitzur et al.

BLG model = $SU(2)_k \times SU(2)_{-k}$ quiver CS matter theory

'08 Raamsdonk

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$$\begin{aligned} & S_{SU(2)_k \text{WZW}}[g] + S_{SU(2)_{-k} \text{WZW}}[\hat{g}] \\ &= -\frac{k}{8\pi} \int_\Sigma d^2x \text{Tr} (g^{-1} \partial_\alpha g)^2 - \frac{ik}{12\pi} \int_M d^3x \epsilon^{\mu\nu\lambda} \text{Tr} (g^{-1} \partial_\mu g \cdot g^{-1} \partial_\nu g \cdot g^{-1} \partial_\lambda g) \\ &+ \frac{k}{8\pi} \int_\Sigma d^2x \text{Tr} (\hat{g}^{-1} \partial_\alpha \hat{g})^2 + \frac{ik}{12\pi} \int_M d^3x \epsilon^{\mu\nu\lambda} \text{Tr} (\hat{g}^{-1} \partial_\mu \hat{g} \cdot \hat{g}^{-1} \partial_\nu \hat{g} \cdot \hat{g}^{-1} \partial_\lambda \hat{g}) \end{aligned}$$

$SU(2)_k \times SU(2)_{-k}$ WZW model

BCs of topological M-Strings in twisted BLG-model

SUSY BC on twisted matter fields

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Consider the **complexified gauge fields**

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e.g. $\varphi := \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(\varphi^1 - i\varphi^2)$

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$$\tilde{\mathcal{F}}_{2\bar{z}} = \partial_\nu \tilde{\mathcal{A}}_{\mu_a}^b - \partial_\mu \tilde{\mathcal{A}}_{\nu_a}^b - \tilde{\mathcal{A}}_{\mu_c}^b \tilde{\mathcal{A}}_{\nu_a}^c + \tilde{\mathcal{A}}_{\nu_c}^b \tilde{\mathcal{A}}_{\mu_a}^c$$

$$= \tilde{F}_{2\bar{z}} - \left[D_2\Phi_z + \frac{1}{2}[\varrho, \varrho^*, \Phi_z], \varphi \right] - \left[D_2\Phi_z + \frac{1}{2}[\varrho, \varrho^*, \Phi_z], \varsigma \right] - \left[\Phi_z, D_2\varphi - [\Phi_{\bar{z}}, \Phi_{\bar{z}}, \varphi] \right] - \left[\Phi_{\bar{z}}, D_2\varsigma - [\Phi_z, \Phi_{\bar{z}}, \varsigma] \right]$$

$$+ \left[D_{\bar{z}}\Phi_{\bar{z}}, \Phi_z \right] + \left[\Phi_{\bar{z}}, D_{\bar{z}}\Phi_z \right] + \left[D_{\bar{z}}\varphi, \varsigma \right] + \left[\varphi, D_{\bar{z}}\varsigma \right] + \left[D_{\bar{z}}\varrho, \varrho^* \right] + \left[\varrho, D_{\bar{z}}\varrho^* \right]$$

Conformally inv topologically twisted BLG on $\Sigma_g \times I$

$$S_{\text{bosonic TBLG}} = \int_{\Sigma_g \times I} d^3x \left[\frac{1}{2} \epsilon^{\mu\nu\lambda} \left(f^{abcd} \mathcal{A}_{\mu ab} \partial_\nu \mathcal{A}_{\lambda cd} + \frac{2}{3} f^{cda}{}_g f^{efgb} \mathcal{A}_{\mu ab} \mathcal{A}_{\nu cd} \mathcal{A}_{\lambda ef} \right) \right]$$

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For simplicity assume that it can be solved via pure gauge



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$SL(2, \mathbb{C})_k \times SL(2, \mathbb{C})_{-k}$ WZW model

Cf. D3 wrapped on Σ_g in K3

Hitchin's eq as BPS eq on Σ_g

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} F_{z\bar{z}} + i[\Phi_z, \Phi_{\bar{z}}] = 0 \\ D_{\bar{z}}\Phi_z = 0 \quad D_z\Phi_{\bar{z}} = 0 \end{array} \right.$$



$$\mathcal{A}_z := A_z - i\Phi_z$$

Flatness cond on **complexified gauge fields**

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Such phenomena of **complexification** is similar to our results!

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integrate out auxiliary one-form fields

$$S_{\text{int}} = \int_{\Sigma_g} d^2x \text{Tr} (\kappa_A \partial_z \theta \hat{g}^{-1} \partial_{\bar{z}} \bar{\theta} g + \kappa_B \partial_z \theta g^{-1} \partial_{\bar{z}} \bar{\theta} \hat{g})$$

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Q. How to determine coeff. κ_A & κ_B ?

(integration of auxiliary fields may produce quantum effects, e.g. level shift)

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$$\left(\begin{array}{l} \text{Polyakov-Wiegmann id} \\ S[s_1 s_2] = S[s_1] + S[s_2] + \frac{k}{2\pi} \int d^2x \text{Str} (s_1^{-1} \partial_{\bar{z}} s_1 \partial_z s_2 s_2^{-1}) \\ \\ \text{Gauss decomposition} \\ s = \exp(u) \begin{pmatrix} \mathbb{I} & 0 \\ \bar{\theta} & \mathbb{I} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} g & 0 \\ 0 & \hat{g} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \mathbb{I} & \theta \\ 0 & \mathbb{I} \end{pmatrix} \end{array} \right)$$

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Str of Supergroup \Leftrightarrow **opposite CS levels** of CS-matter thy

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flat space N_Σ

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ψ_A	N	\bar{N}	$\bar{4}$	$+1$
$\psi^{\dagger A}$	\bar{N}	N	4	-1
A_μ	N^2	1	1	0
\hat{A}_μ	1	N^2	1	0

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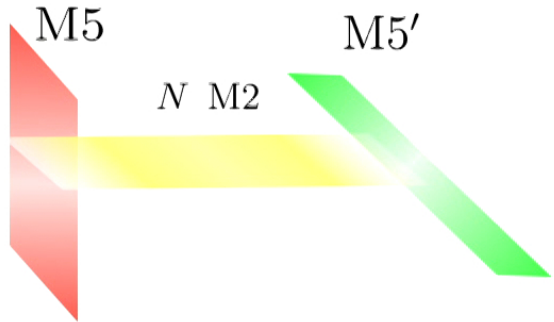
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M2-M5 system



$K3 \times \mathbb{R}^7$

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	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
M5	○	○		○	○					○	○
M5'	○	○				○	○			○	○
M2	○	○	○								

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GL(N|N) WZW model

arising from **twisted U(N)xU(N) ABJM model**

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Current algebra

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$$s(z, \bar{z}) \rightarrow \Omega(z) s(z, \bar{z}) \bar{\Omega}^{-1}(\bar{z})$$



Noether thm.

$$J(z) = J^a(z) T_a = -k \partial_z s s^{-1}$$



Laurent expansion $J^a(z) = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{J_n^a}{z^{n+1}}$

$$[J_n^a, J_m^b] = [T^a, T^b]_c J_{n+m}^c + m(T^a, T^b) \delta_{n+m,0} k$$

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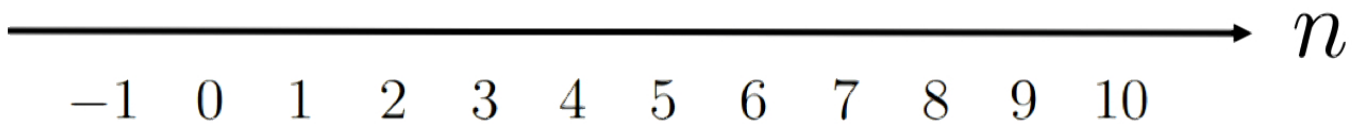
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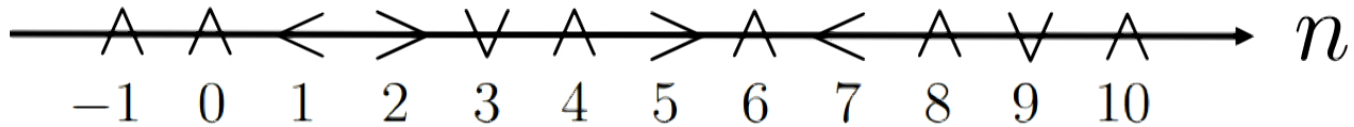
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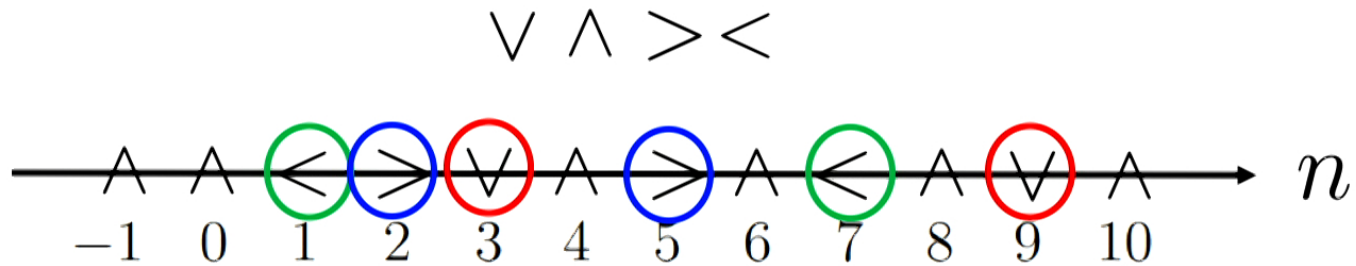
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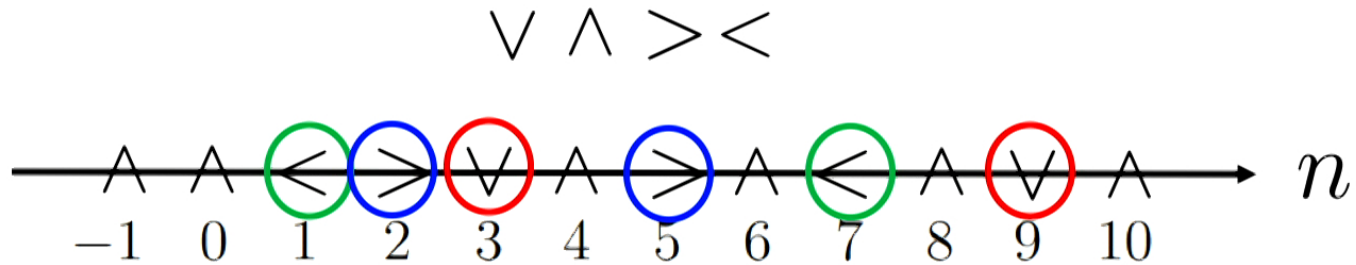
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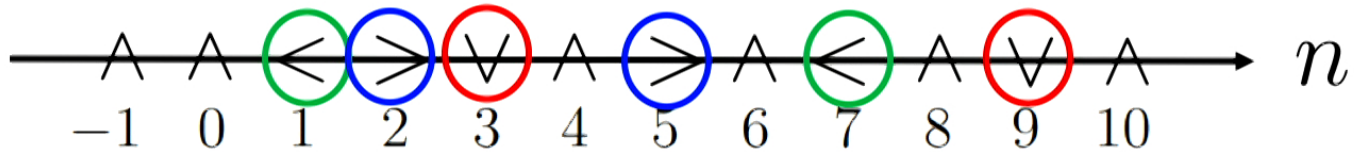
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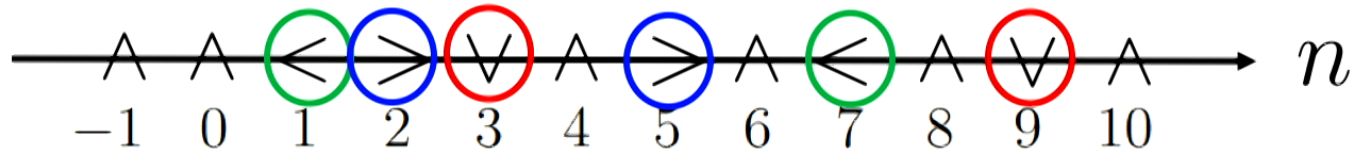
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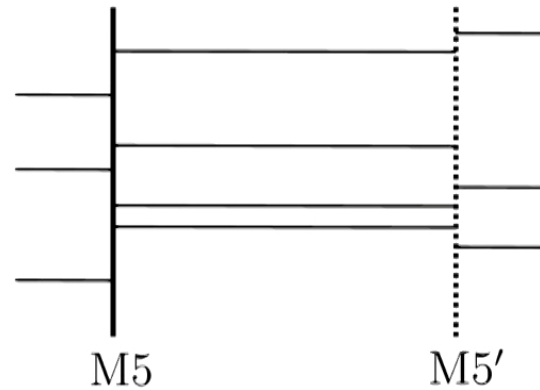


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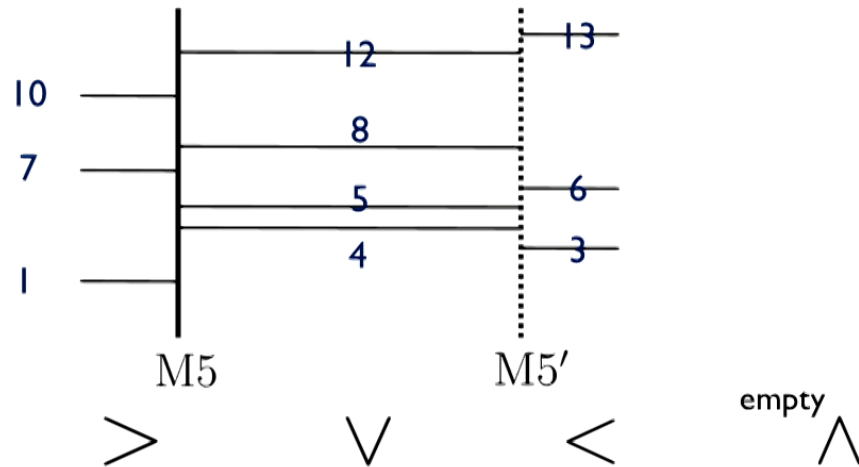


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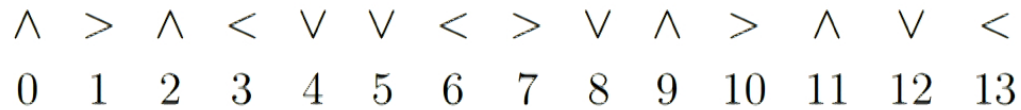
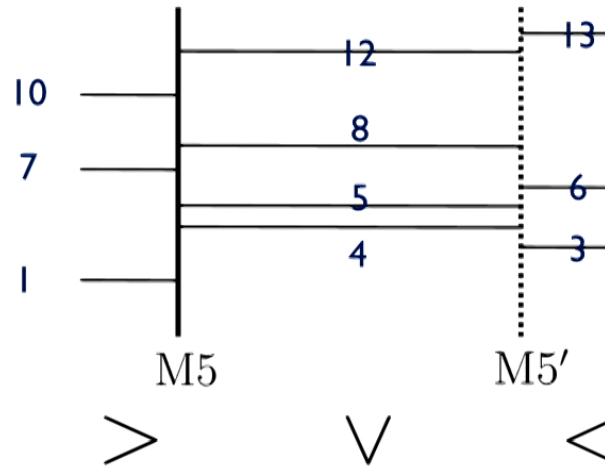


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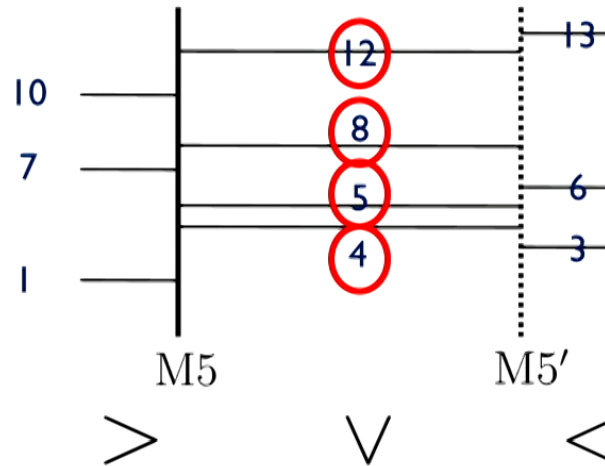
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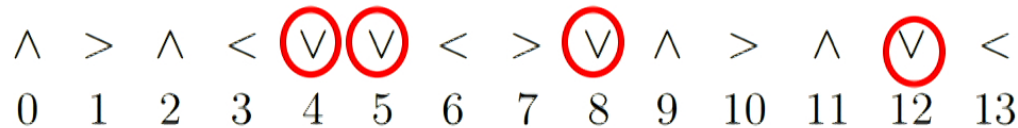
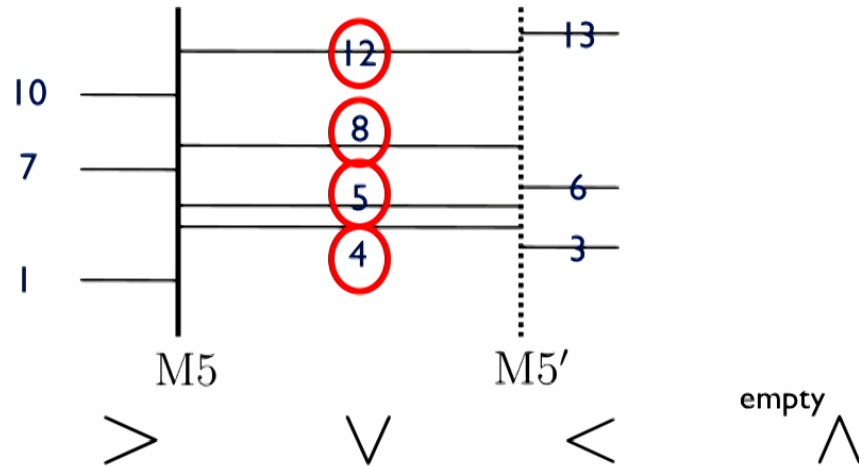


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Ramanujan's mock theta function

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$$\exists \text{ shadow } g(\tau) \in M_{2-k}$$

Modular completion

$$\widehat{h}(\tau) = h(\tau) + g^*(\tau)$$

Euchler integral

$$g^* = \left(\frac{i}{2\pi}\right)^{k-1} \int_{-\bar{\tau}}^{\infty} (z + \tau)^{-k} \overline{g(-\bar{z})} dz$$

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$$\mathcal{A}_{2,1}(\tau, u, v) = U \sum_{n \in \mathbb{Z}} \frac{q^{n(n+1)} V^n}{(1 - Uq^n)^2}$$

$$U = \exp(2\pi i u) \quad V = \exp(2\pi i v)$$

Appell-Lerch sum of order 2 and index m

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Modular completion

We get

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Namely Fourier coefficients depend on the variables !

Wall Crossing happen !

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$$= \sum_{r \geq l > 0, r \equiv l \pmod{2m}} l q^{\frac{r^2-l^2}{4m}} x^r \quad 0 < \text{Im } z < \text{Im } \tau$$

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$$n < \frac{\text{Im } z}{\text{Im } \tau} < n + 1$$

Again **wall crossing** happen !

Thm

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= Fourier coefficients (polar part) of **meromorphic Jacobi form of weight 2**

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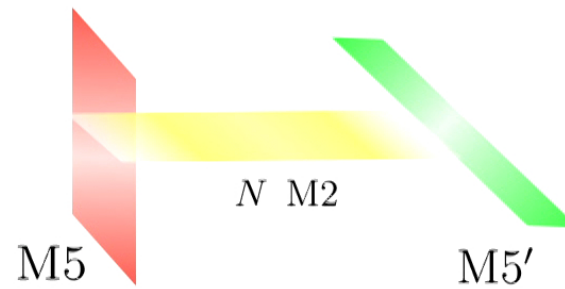
(immortal BH) # (multi-centered BH)

wall-crossing

Q. What can we learn from our **multi-variable Appell-Lerch sum of order 2** ?

(indicative of wall-crossing in M2-M5 system and BH counting)

IV. Quantum Mechanical Matrix Model



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M2-M2 intersection as vortex

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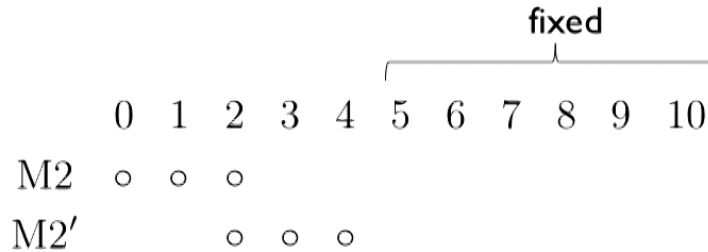
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classical ground state

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classical ground state & large N limit

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Junctions of M2-branes

	Σ_g		\mathbb{R}_{34}^2		\mathbb{R}_{56}^2				N_Σ		
	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
p M2	○	○	○								
N $\widetilde{\text{M2}}$			○	○	○						
M $\widetilde{\text{M2}}'$			○			○	○				

Junctions of M2-branes

		intersection										
		Σ_g			\mathbb{R}_{34}^2		\mathbb{R}_{56}^2		N_Σ			
		0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
p	M2	○	○	○								
N	$\widetilde{\text{M2}}$			○	○	○						
M	$\widetilde{\text{M2}}'$			○			○	○				

Junctions of M2-branes

	intersection			fixed							
	QM										
	Σ_g			\mathbb{R}_{34}^2		\mathbb{R}_{56}^2				N_Σ	
	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
p M2	○	○	○								
N $\widetilde{\text{M2}}$			○	○	○						
M $\widetilde{\text{M2}}'$			○			○	○				

Junctions of M2-branes

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	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
p M2	○	○	○								
N $\widetilde{\text{M2}}$	Z_{ab}		○	○	○						
M $\widetilde{\text{M2}}'$	$\widetilde{Z}_{\alpha\beta}$		○			○	○				

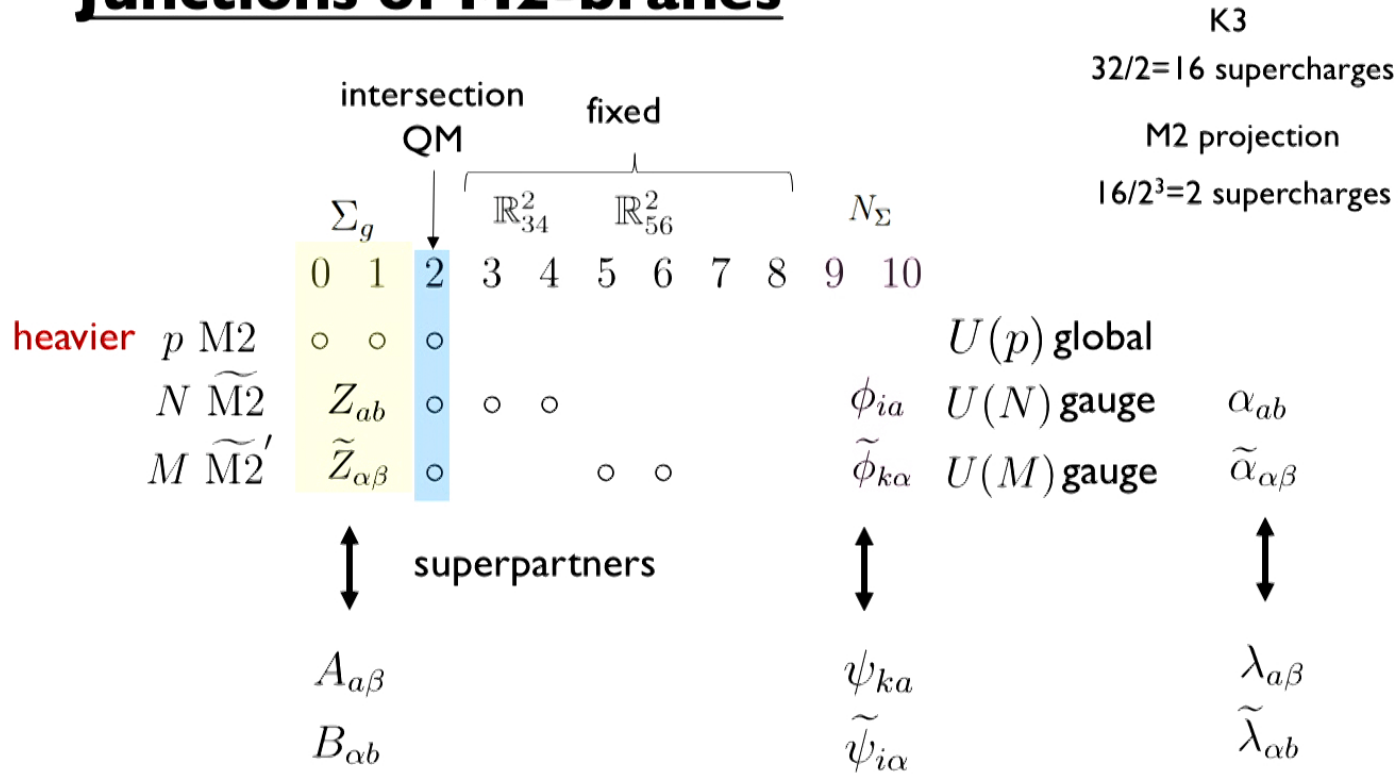
Junctions of M2-branes

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		Σ_g		\mathbb{R}_{34}^2		\mathbb{R}_{56}^2				N_Σ		
		0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
heavier	p M2	○	○	○								
	N $\widetilde{\text{M2}}$	Z_{ab}	○	○	○	○						
	M $\widetilde{\text{M2}}'$	$\widetilde{Z}_{\alpha\beta}$	○				○	○				
												$U(p)$ global
												$U(N)$ gauge
												$U(M)$ gauge

Junctions of M2-branes

		intersection		fixed									
		QM											
		Σ_g		\mathbb{R}_{34}^2		\mathbb{R}_{56}^2		N_Σ					
		0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	
heavier	p M2	○	○	○									
	N $\widetilde{M2}$	Z_{ab}	○	○	○	○					ϕ_{ia}	$U(N)$ gauge	α_{ab}
	M $\widetilde{M2}'$	$\widetilde{Z}_{\alpha\beta}$	○	○			○	○			$\widetilde{\phi}_{k\alpha}$	$U(M)$ gauge	$\widetilde{\alpha}_{\alpha\beta}$

Junctions of M2-branes



U(N|M) gauged QM Matrix Model

$$S = \int dt \left[i \text{Str} \left(\widehat{Z}^\dagger D_t \widehat{Z} \right) + i \sum_{I,A} \widehat{\Phi}_{IA}^\dagger D_t \widehat{\Phi}_{IA} - \kappa \text{Str} \widehat{\alpha} - \omega \text{Str} \widehat{Z}^\dagger \widehat{Z} \right]$$

$$D_t \widehat{Z} = \dot{\widehat{Z}} - i[\widehat{\alpha}, \widehat{Z}]$$

$$D_t \widehat{\Phi} = \dot{\widehat{\Phi}} - i\widehat{\alpha} \widehat{\Phi}$$

U(N|M) gauged QM Matrix Model

topological term for \widehat{Z}

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$$= \int dt \left[i \text{Tr} \left(Z^\dagger DZ + B^\dagger DB - iZ^\dagger (\lambda B - A\bar{\lambda}) - iB^\dagger (\bar{\lambda} Z - \bar{Z}\bar{\lambda}) \right. \right. \\ \left. \left. - \bar{Z}^\dagger D\bar{Z} - A^\dagger DA + i\bar{Z}^\dagger (\bar{\lambda} A - B\lambda) + iA^\dagger (\lambda \bar{Z} - Z\lambda) \right) \right. \\ \left. + i \sum \left(\phi^\dagger D\phi - i\phi^\dagger \lambda \tilde{\psi} + \psi^\dagger D\psi - i\psi^\dagger \lambda \tilde{\phi} + \tilde{\phi}^\dagger D\tilde{\phi} - i\tilde{\phi}^\dagger \tilde{\lambda} \psi + \tilde{\psi}^\dagger D\tilde{\psi} - i\tilde{\psi}^\dagger \tilde{\lambda} \phi \right) \right. \\ \left. - \kappa \text{Tr} (\alpha - \tilde{\alpha}) - \omega \text{Tr} (Z^\dagger Z + B^\dagger B - \bar{Z}^\dagger \bar{Z} - A^\dagger A) \right]$$

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U(N|M) gauged QM Matrix Model

topological term for \hat{Z} topological term for $\hat{\Phi}$ topological term for $\hat{\alpha}$ spatial regulator

$$S = \int dt \left[i \text{Str} \left(\hat{Z}^\dagger D_t \hat{Z} \right) + i \sum_{I,A} \hat{\Phi}_{IA}^\dagger D_t \hat{\Phi}_{IA} - \kappa \text{Str} \hat{\alpha} - \omega \text{Str} \hat{Z}^\dagger \hat{Z} \right]$$

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Gauss law

$$\hat{Z}_{AB} \rightarrow \hat{U}_{AC} \hat{Z}_{CD} \hat{U}_{DB}^\dagger,$$

$$\hat{\Phi}_{IA} \rightarrow \hat{U}_{AB} \hat{\Phi}_{IB},$$

$$\hat{\alpha}_{AB} \rightarrow \hat{U}_{AC} \hat{\alpha}_{CD} \hat{U}_{DB}^\dagger + i\hat{U}_{AC} \hat{U}_{CB}^\dagger$$

$$\begin{aligned} [Z, Z^\dagger] + AA^\dagger - B^\dagger B + \phi_i \phi_i^\dagger - \psi_k \psi_k^\dagger - \kappa \mathbb{I} &= 0, \\ [\tilde{Z}, \tilde{Z}^\dagger] + BB^\dagger - A^\dagger A - \tilde{\phi}_k \tilde{\phi}_k^\dagger + \tilde{\psi}_i \tilde{\psi}_i^\dagger - \kappa \mathbb{I} &= 0, \\ BZ^\dagger - \tilde{Z}^\dagger B + \tilde{Z}A^\dagger - A^\dagger Z + \tilde{\psi}\phi^\dagger - \tilde{\phi}\psi^\dagger &= 0, \\ ZB^\dagger - B^\dagger \tilde{Z} - Z^\dagger A + A\tilde{Z}^\dagger + \phi\tilde{\psi}^\dagger - \psi\tilde{\phi}^\dagger &= 0. \end{aligned}$$

Q. What is large N & M limit?

Condensate of M2 as M5

'08 Ho & Matsuo

'08 Bandos & Townsend

Lie 3-algebra

$$[T^a, T^b, T^c] = f^{abc}{}_d T^d$$

$$h^{ab} = \text{Tr}(T^a, T^b)$$



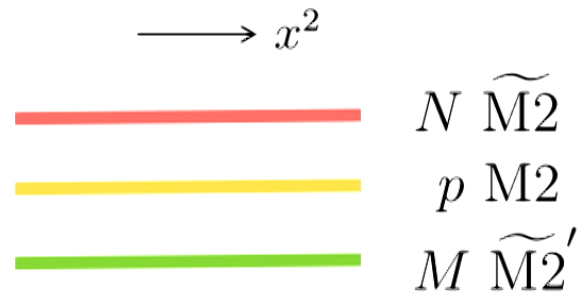
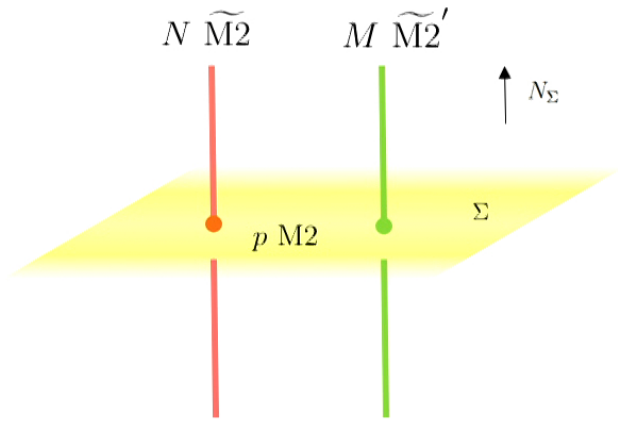
Large N & M limit

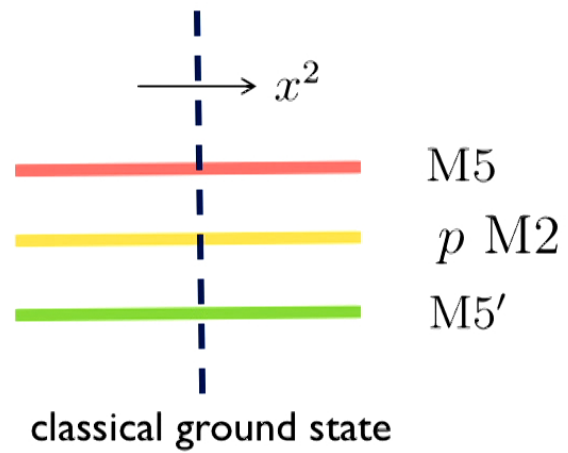
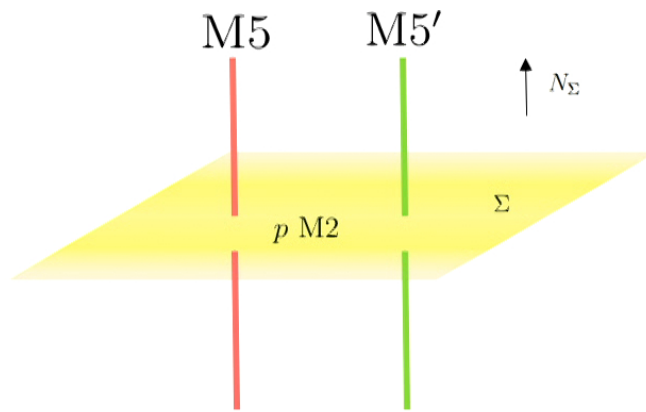
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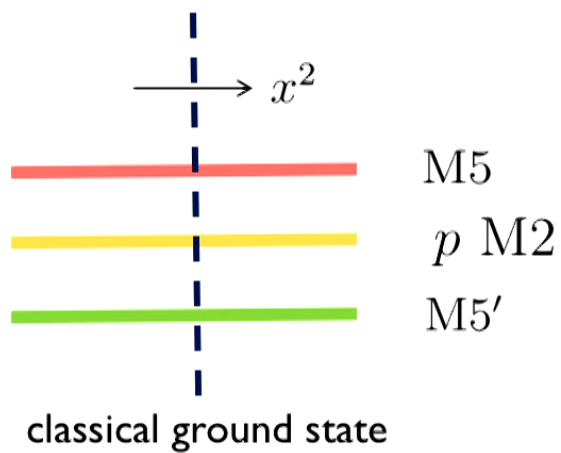
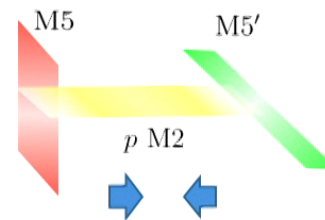
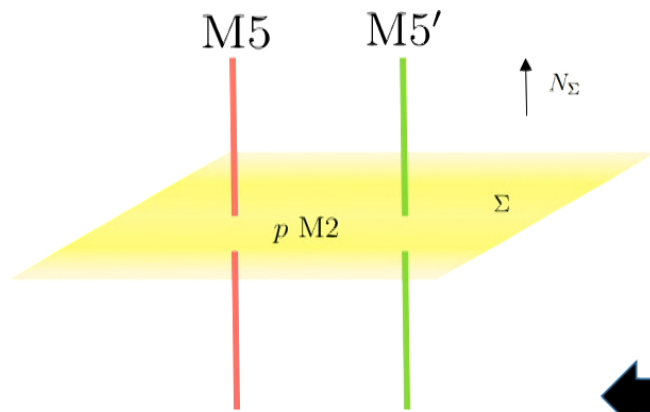
$$\{\chi^a, \chi^b, \chi^c\} := \sum_{\dot{\mu}, \dot{\nu}, \dot{\lambda}} \epsilon_{\dot{\mu}\dot{\nu}\dot{\lambda}} \partial_{\dot{\mu}} \chi^a \partial_{\dot{\nu}} \chi^b \partial_{\dot{\lambda}} \chi^c = \sum_d f^{abc}{}_d \chi^d(y)$$

$$h^{ab} = (\chi^a, \chi^b)$$

M5 appears as condensate of M2







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M5	○	○		○	○					○	○
M5'	○	○				○	○			○	○
M2	○	○	○								

$$\widehat{J}_{IJ}^m = i \left(\widehat{\Phi}_I^\dagger \widehat{Z}^m \widehat{\Phi}_J - \frac{1}{p} \delta_{IJ} \widehat{\Phi}_K^\dagger \widehat{Z}^m \widehat{\Phi}_K \right) =: \begin{pmatrix} \widehat{J}_{ij}^m & \widehat{J}_{il}^m \\ \widehat{J}_{kj}^m & \widehat{J}_{kl}^m \end{pmatrix}$$



Large N & M limit

$$N \equiv 0, M \equiv 0 \pmod{p}$$

$$[\widehat{J}_{IJ}^m, \widehat{J}_{KL}^n] \sim \left(\delta_{IL} \widehat{J}_{KJ}^{m+n} - \delta_{KJ} \widehat{J}_{IL}^{m+n} \right) + \kappa m \left(\delta_{JK} \delta_{IL} - \frac{1}{p} \delta_{IJ} \delta_{KL} \right)$$

affine Lie superalg.



Discussion on Junctions of Branes

BPS Junctions of Branes

in string theory and M-theory involve many interesting problems !

Gauge theory

- Defects in gauge theory arising from Junctions of Branes
=> **dualities** in gauge theory

Gravity

- BH counting from Junctions of Branes (quantum gravity)
- Gravity dual of Junctions of Branes (holography)

Mathematics

- mock modular form and indefinite theta series (number theory)
- Generalized DT inv & ramified VW inv (algebraic geometry)
- character of affine Lie superalg (representation theory)
=> **Geometric Langlands program**