Emergent Ensemble Symmetries in Holography & Swampland

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Vast Literature on their role in the Landscape, Swampland, & Beyond:

[Loges,Shiu,Van Riet, '23][Andriolo,Huang,Noumi,Ooguri,Shiu, '20][Guidetti,Righi,Venken,Westphal, '22][McNamara & Vafa, '20][Andriolo,Shiu,Soler,Van Riet, '22][Hebecker,Mangat,Theisen,Witkowski, '16]

[Montero,Valenzuela,Uranga, '15] [Brown,Cottrell,Shiu,Soler, '15]

& more!

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How should we interpret the additional terms?

Theta functions furnish basis of wavefunctions for 3D Maxwell-Chern-Simons

$$\Psi_{\alpha} \propto \frac{\vartheta_{\alpha}(\tau,\xi(A);m)}{\eta^{p}(\tau)\bar{\eta}^{q}(\bar{\tau})}$$

Arise from string compactifications on $AdS_3 \times M_7 - [Gukov, Martinec, Moore, Strominger, '04]$

- Argue for duality: Topological limit of MCS & Irrational CFT
- Suggests a duality before ensemble averaging, and averaging is a coarse-grained description
- Then additional terms in spectral decomposition bring us back to UV completion

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Akin to corrections in JT-SYK to restore factorization

[Saad,Shenker,Yao,'21]+....

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- General Orbifolded Narain CFTs -> alternative UV interpretation? [Benini+,'22]
- Physics Interpretation of the Spectral Decomposition

$$S_{Narain} = \int d^2 \sigma \left\{ G_{MN} \partial^a X^M \partial_a X^N + B_{MN} \epsilon_{ab} \partial^a X^M \partial^b X^N \right\}$$

• Compact Bosons:

$$\begin{pmatrix} X_L^M \\ X_R^M \end{pmatrix} \sim \begin{pmatrix} X_L^M \\ X_R^M \end{pmatrix} + \mathcal{E}L \qquad \stackrel{\bullet L \in}{\bullet \mathcal{E}}:$$

•
$$L \in \mathbb{Z}^{2D}$$

• \mathcal{E} : Narain Vielbein

• Operators:

$$J^{M} = \partial X^{M}$$

 $\bar{J}^{M} = \bar{\partial} X^{M}$
 $\mathcal{V}_{(p_{L},p_{R})} = : e^{ip_{L} \cdot X_{L} + ip_{R} \cdot X_{R}} :$

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OPE:

$$\mathcal{V}_{(p_L,p_R)}(z)\mathcal{V}_{(k_L,k_R)}(w) \sim (z-w)^{p_L \cdot k_L}(\bar{z}-\bar{w})^{p_R \cdot k_R}\mathcal{V}_{(p_L+k_L,p_R+k_R)}(w) + \cdots$$

Closure requires an infinite lattice of operators







• $E_s(\tau)$: Real-Analytic Eisenstein Series

$$E_{s}(\tau) := \sum_{(c,d)=1} \frac{\tau_{2}^{s}}{|c\tau+d|^{2s}} = \sum_{\Gamma_{\infty}\setminus\Gamma} \operatorname{Im}(\gamma \cdot \tau)^{s} \qquad \bullet_{\Gamma_{\infty}=0} F_{\infty}(\tau)$$

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$$E_s(\gamma \cdot \tau) = E_s(\tau) \quad \forall \gamma \in \Gamma := \mathsf{PSL}_2(\mathbb{Z})$$

• $\Gamma_\infty = \left\{ \gamma \in \Gamma \mid \gamma = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & n \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \right\}$



 $\Lambda := \left\{ \ell \in \mathbb{Z}^{p+q} \mid Q[\ell] \in 2\mathbb{Z} \right\}$ $\Lambda^* := \left\{ x \in \mathbb{R}^{p+q} \mid Q[x,\ell] \in \mathbb{Z} \right\}$ $\mathcal{D}_{\Lambda} := \Lambda^* / \Lambda$

Continuous Data:
$$\mathcal{M}_{\Lambda}$$

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 $\mathcal{M}_{\Lambda} := O_{\Lambda}(p,q;\mathbb{Z}) \setminus \frac{O(p,q;\mathbb{R})}{O(p) \times O(q)}$
 $\mathfrak{h}_{\Lambda} := \{H \in \operatorname{GL}(p+q;\mathbb{R}) \mid HQ^{-1}H = Q\}$

$$\begin{split} \vartheta_{\alpha}(g \cdot \tau; m) &= \sum_{\beta \in \mathcal{D}_{\Lambda}} \mathcal{U}_{\alpha,\beta}(g, \tau) \,\vartheta_{\beta}(\tau; m) \\ \bullet g = \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix} \in \Gamma \\ \mathcal{U}_{\alpha,\beta}(g, \tau) &:= (c\tau + d)^{\frac{p}{2}} (c\overline{\tau} + d)^{\frac{q}{2}} \lambda_{\alpha,\beta}(g) \\ \lambda_{\alpha,\beta}(g) &:= \frac{e^{-\frac{\pi i \sigma}{4}}}{\sqrt{|\mathcal{D}_{\Lambda}|}} \, c^{-\frac{p+q}{2}} \sum_{\ell_{c} \in \Lambda/(c\Lambda)} e^{\frac{\pi i}{c} (aQ[\ell_{c} + \alpha] - 2Q[\ell_{c} + \alpha, \beta] + dQ[\beta])} \end{split}$$



[Delmastro, Gomis, ,'19]





 $\mathcal{D}_{\Lambda} = \Lambda^* / \Lambda$ $\alpha \to Y_{\pm} \alpha$

• Symmetries of a TQFT are automorphisms of its data

- $\implies \text{permutations of the anyons } \mathcal{D}_{\Lambda} \text{ that leave} \\ \text{TQFT data invariant modulo gauge transformations} \\ \text{(and maybe complex conjugation)}$
- TQFT data for Abelian TQFTs is completely determined by finite Abelian group \mathcal{D}_{Λ} and topological spins

•0-form Global Symmetries: $Y_{\pm} : \mathcal{D}_{\Lambda} \to \mathcal{D}_{\Lambda}$

Unitary	Anti-Unitary
$Y_{+}(\alpha \times \beta) = Y_{+}(\alpha) \times Y_{+}(\beta)$ $\theta(Y_{+}(\alpha)) = \theta(\alpha)$ $B(Y_{+}(\alpha), Y_{+}(\beta)) = B(\alpha, \beta)$	$Y_{-}(\alpha \times \beta) = Y_{-}(\alpha) \times Y_{-}(\beta)$ $\theta(Y_{-}(\alpha)) = \theta(\alpha)^{*}$ $B(Y_{-}(\alpha), Y_{-}(\beta)) = B(\alpha, \beta)^{*}$
$Classical Y_{\pm} \cdot S_{CS} = S_{CS}$	Quantum $Y_{\pm} \cdot S_{CS} \neq S_{CS}$ but obey Ward Identities

 $G_0 := \operatorname{Aut}(\mathcal{D}_{\Lambda}, \theta) \simeq \{Y_{\pm} \in \mathbb{Z}^{n \times n} | QPQ \pm Y_{\pm}^T QY_{\pm} = Q\} / \sim$

• If $P \neq 0 \forall$ representatives of $[Y_{\pm}]$, then the symmetry is quantum

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[Roelcke, '66 & '67] [Mono, '19]

$$\begin{aligned} (\tau,\bar{\tau}) &= \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} \langle f, u_i \rangle \, u_i(\tau) + \sum_{j=1}^{N} \langle f, v_j \rangle \, v_j(\tau) \\ &+ \sum_{k=1}^{n} \frac{1}{4\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \left\langle f, E_{\mathfrak{a}_k}\left(\tau, \frac{1}{2} + it\right) \right\rangle E_{\mathfrak{a}_k}\left(\tau, \frac{1}{2} + it\right) \, dt \end{aligned}$$