

# $SU(N)$ and $O(N)$ Representation Theory at non-integer $N$

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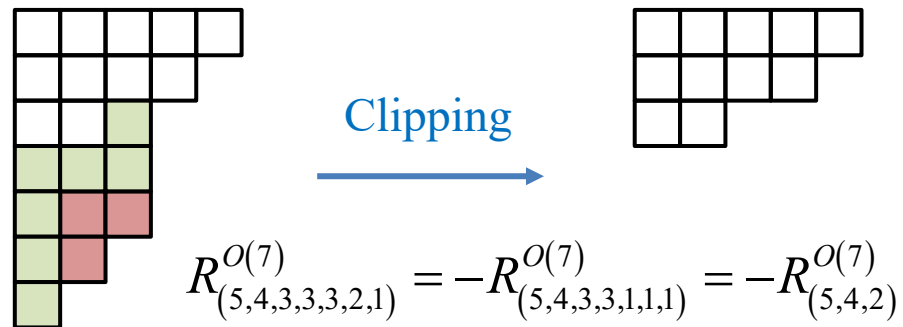
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This talk is introducing  
a new Young diagram  
clipping algorithm for  
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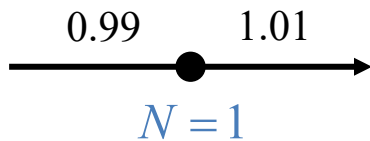
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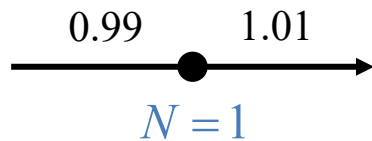
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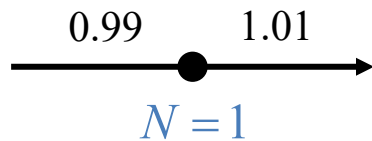
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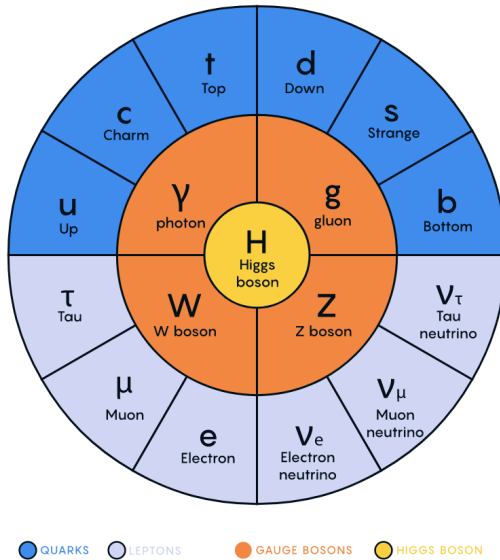


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“Specialization”: encodes Evanescence

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## Standard Model Effective Field Theory (SMEFT)



Standard Model	Lorentz Group	$SU(3)_c$	$SU(2)_L$	$U(1)_Y$	mass dim
$H$	$(0, 0)$	1	2	$+\frac{1}{2}$	1
$q$	$(\frac{1}{2}, 0)$	3	2	$+\frac{1}{6}$	3/2
$u$	$(0, \frac{1}{2})$	3	1	$+\frac{2}{3}$	3/2
$d$	$(0, \frac{1}{2})$	3	1	$-\frac{1}{3}$	3/2
$l$	$(\frac{1}{2}, 0)$	1	2	$-\frac{1}{2}$	3/2
$e$	$(0, \frac{1}{2})$	1	1	-1	3/2
$G_{\mu\nu}^A$	$(1, 0)$	8	1	0	2
$W_{\mu\nu}^a$	$(1, 0)$	1	3	0	2
$B_{\mu\nu}$	$(1, 0)$	1	1	0	2

$\phi$

$[\partial_\mu] = 1$

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{SMEFT}} = \mathcal{L}_{\text{SM}} + \sum_i c_i \mathcal{O}_i(\phi)$$

mass dim = 5, 6, 7, 8, ...

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dim 6,  $n_g = 1$

Grzadkowski, Iskrzynski, Misiak, and Rosiek, arXiv: 1008.4884

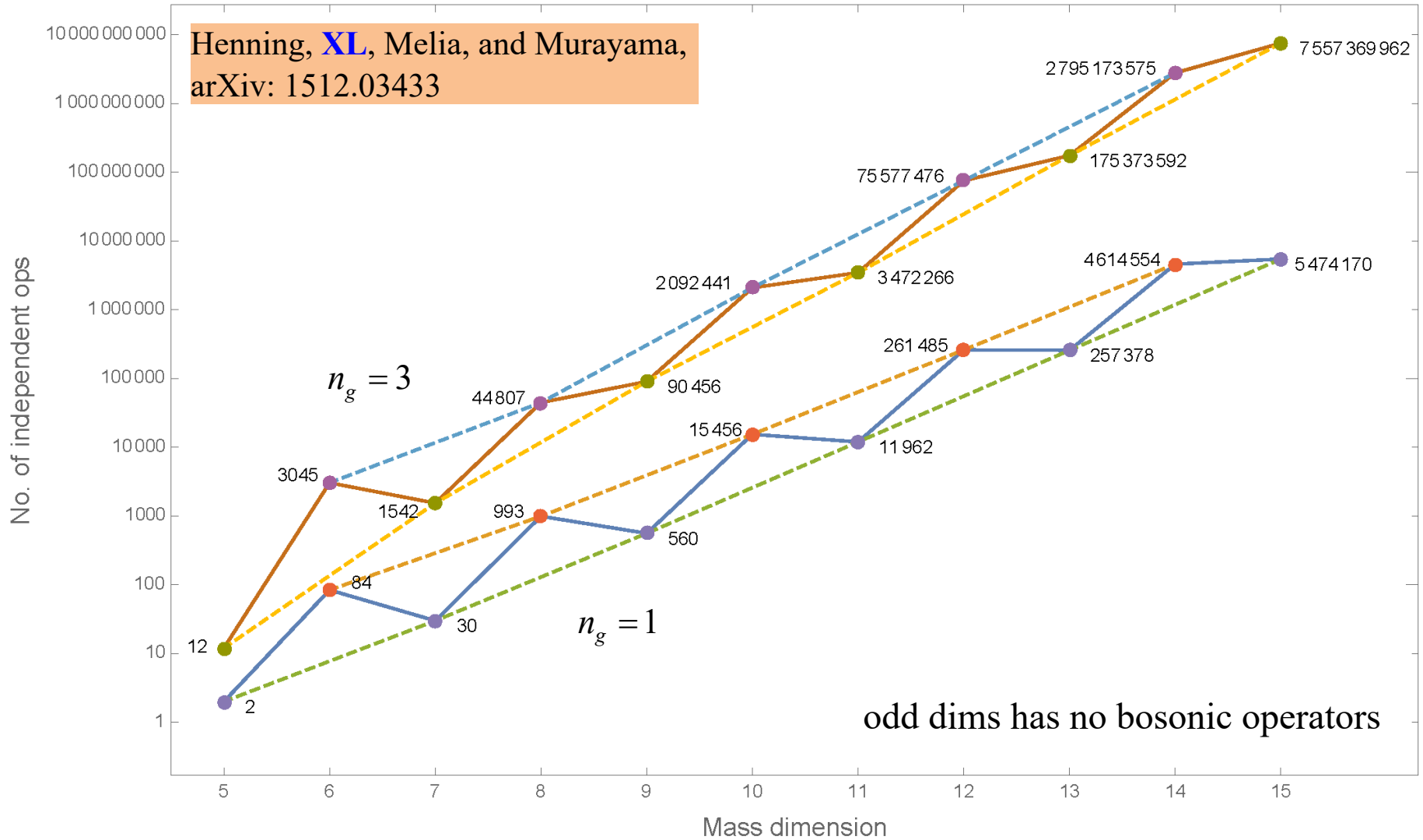
$X^3$		$\varphi^6$ and $\varphi^4 D^2$		$\psi^2 \varphi^3$					
$Q_G$	$f^{ABC} G_\mu^{A\nu} G_\nu^{B\rho} G_\rho^{C\mu}$	$Q_\varphi$	$(\varphi^\dagger \varphi)^3$	$Q_{e\varphi}$	$(\varphi^\dagger \varphi)(\bar{l}_p e_r \varphi)$				
$Q_{\tilde{G}}$	$f^{ABC} \tilde{G}_\mu^{A\nu} G_\nu^{B\rho} G_\rho^{C\mu}$	$Q_{\varphi\Box}$	$(\varphi^\dagger \varphi)\Box(\varphi^\dagger \varphi)$	$Q_{u\varphi}$	$(\varphi^\dagger \varphi)(\bar{q}_p u_r \tilde{\varphi})$				
$Q_W$	$\varepsilon^{IJK} W_\mu^{I\nu} W_\nu^{J\rho} W_\rho^{K\mu}$	$Q_{\varphi D}$	$(\varphi^\dagger D^\mu \varphi)$						
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$X^2 \varphi^2$		$\psi^2 X$		$(\bar{L}L)(\bar{L}L)$		$(\bar{R}R)(\bar{R}R)$		$(\bar{L}L)(\bar{R}R)$	
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Table 2: Dimension-six operators

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Table 3: Four-fermion operators.

## Number of SMEFT Operators



## Evanescent Operators can also be important

### ➤ EFT Matching Calculation

#### Evanescent operators in one-loop matching computations

Javier Fuentes-Martín (Granada U., Theor. Phys. Astrophys. and Mainz U., Inst. Phys. and U. Mainz, PRISMA), Matthias König (Munich, Tech. U.), Julie Pagès (UC, San Diego), Anders Eller Thomsen (Bern U.), Felix Wilsch (Zurich U.) (Nov 16, 2022)

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### ➤ EFT Running Calculation

#### Renormalization and non-renormalization of scalar EFTs at higher orders

Weiguang Cao (Tokyo U., IPMU and Tokyo U.), Franz Herzog (Edinburgh U.), Tom Melia (Tokyo U., IPMU), Jasper Roosmale Nepveu (Humboldt U., Berlin) (May 26, 2021)

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--- also discussed how Hilbert series may be used to systematically enumerate a class of evanescent operators in scalar EFTs

“Specializations” encode a class of evanescence



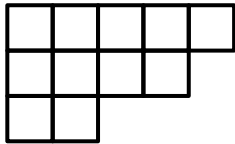
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- Examples of Specializations; the Clipping Rules
  - $SU(N)$ : “West Coast” Clipping
  - $O(N)$ : “East Coast” Clipping
- (Not to be confused with) Racah-Speiser Algorithm
- Example Implication of Negative Specializations
  - Degeneracies in SMEFT RGE

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Each irrep  $\lambda$  corresponds to a Young diagram:  $\lambda_k$  boxes in the  $k$ -th row



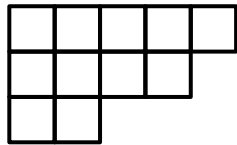
$$\lambda = (5, 4, 2)$$

▪  $\lambda = (0, 0, \dots, 0)$  the invariant irrep

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Each irrep  $\lambda$  corresponds to a Young diagram:  $\lambda_k$  boxes in the  $k$ -th row



$$\lambda = (5, 4, 2)$$

▪  $\lambda = (0, 0, \dots, 0)$  the invariant irrep

- $O(N)$ :  $r = \lfloor N/2 \rfloor$ ,  $\lambda_1 \geq \lambda_2 \geq \dots \geq \lambda_r \geq 0$   
simultaneously integers (bosonic) or half odd integers (fermionic)

We focus on bosonic irreps only --- can be labeled by Young diagrams

# Clipping Rules for Specializations

## Examples of $SU(N)$ Specializations

$$\square^3 = \begin{array}{|c|} \hline \square \\ \hline \square \\ \hline \square \\ \hline \end{array} + 2 \begin{array}{|c|c|} \hline \square & \square \\ \hline \square & \\ \hline \end{array} + \begin{array}{|c|c|c|} \hline \square & \square & \square \\ \hline \end{array}$$

continued from  
integer  $N \geq 4$

$N = 2$

$$\square_2 \quad \square\square_4$$

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$$\square_2 \quad \begin{array}{|c|c|} \hline \square & \square \\ \hline \end{array} 4$$

$$2 \times 2 \times 2 = 2(2) + 4$$

$N = 3$

$$\cdot 1 \quad \begin{array}{|c|c|} \hline \square & \square \\ \hline \square & \\ \hline \end{array} 8 \quad \begin{array}{|c|c|c|} \hline \square & \square & \square \\ \hline \end{array} 10$$

$$3 \times 3 \times 3 = 1 + 2(8) + 10$$

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continued from  
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$N = 3$

$$\begin{array}{|c|} \hline \square \\ \hline \end{array}_1 \quad \begin{array}{|c|c|} \hline \square & \square \\ \hline \square & \square \\ \hline \end{array}_8 \quad \begin{array}{|c|c|c|} \hline \square & \square & \square \\ \hline \end{array}_{10}$$

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continued from  
integer  $N \geq 5$

$N = 2$

$$\begin{array}{|c|} \hline \square \\ \hline \end{array}_1 \quad \begin{array}{|c|c|} \hline \square & \square \\ \hline \end{array}_3 \quad \begin{array}{|c|c|c|} \hline \square & \square & \square \\ \hline \end{array}_5$$

$$2^4 = 2(1) + 3(3) + 5$$

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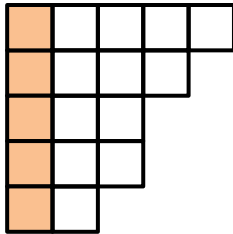
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$$N=3 \quad \begin{array}{|c|} \hline \square \\ \hline \square \\ \hline \square \\ \hline \end{array}_3 \quad \begin{array}{|c|c|} \hline \square & \square \\ \hline \square & \\ \hline \end{array}_{\bar{6}} \quad \begin{array}{|c|c|c|} \hline \square & \square & \square \\ \hline \square & & \\ \hline \end{array}_{15'} \quad \begin{array}{|c|c|c|c|} \hline \square & \square & \square & \square \\ \hline \end{array}_{15} \quad 3^4 = 3(3) + 2(\bar{6}) + 3(15') + 15$$

# Clipping Rules for Specializations

## $SU(N)$ : West Coast Clipping

$$\lambda = (5, 4, 3, 3, 2)$$



West Coast has  $n_W$  boxes

### Clipping rule at a given integer $N$

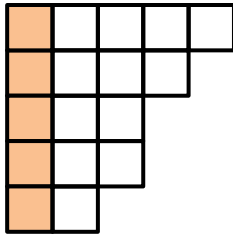
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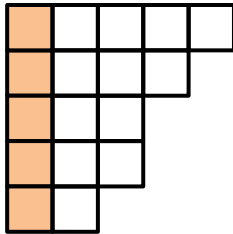
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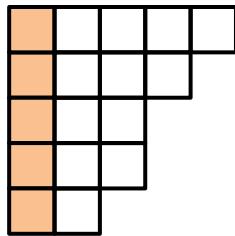
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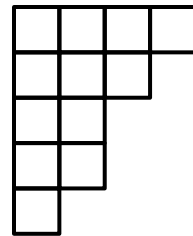
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Clipping  
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$$\lambda_{\text{new}} = (4, 3, 2, 2, 1)$$



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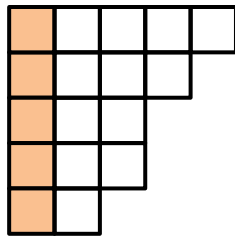
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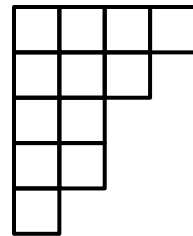
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Clipping



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## Examples of $O(N)$ Specializations

$$\square^3 = \begin{array}{|c|} \hline \square \\ \hline \square \\ \hline \square \\ \hline \end{array} + 2 \begin{array}{|c|c|} \hline \square & \square \\ \hline \square & \square \\ \hline \end{array} + 3 \square + \begin{array}{|c|c|c|} \hline \square & \square & \square \\ \hline \end{array}$$

$N=1$

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# Clipping Rules for Specializations

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$N=1$

$(-)$   $\cdot$   $\cdot$

$N=2$

$\square_2$   $\begin{array}{|c|c|} \hline \square & \square \\ \hline \end{array}_2$

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$N=1$	$(-)$	$\cdot$	$\cdot$	
$N=2$			$\square_2$	$\begin{array}{ c c } \hline \square & \square \\ \hline \end{array}_2$
$N=3$	$\cdot$	$\begin{array}{ c c } \hline \square & \square \\ \hline \end{array}_5$	$\square_3$	$\begin{array}{ c c c } \hline \square & \square & \square \\ \hline \end{array}_7$

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$N=1$

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$N=2$

□<sub>2</sub> □□<sub>2</sub>

$N=3$

■ □□<sub>5</sub> □<sub>3</sub> □□□<sub>7</sub>

$$\square^4 = \begin{array}{|c|} \hline \square \\ \hline \square \\ \hline \square \\ \hline \square \\ \hline \end{array} + 3 \begin{array}{|c|c|} \hline \square & \square \\ \hline \square & \square \\ \hline \square & \square \\ \hline \end{array} + 2 \begin{array}{|c|c|} \hline \square & \square \\ \hline \square & \square \\ \hline \end{array} + 3 \begin{array}{|c|c|c|} \hline \square & \square & \square \\ \hline \square & \square & \square \\ \hline \end{array} + 6 \begin{array}{|c|} \hline \square \\ \hline \square \\ \hline \end{array} + \begin{array}{|c|c|c|c|} \hline \square & \square & \square & \square \\ \hline \end{array} + 6 \begin{array}{|c|c|} \hline \square & \square \\ \hline \end{array} + 3 \cdot$$

$N=1$

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# Clipping Rules for Specializations

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$N=1$

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$N=2$

$\square_2$   $\begin{array}{|c|c|} \hline \square & \square \\ \hline \end{array}_2$

$N=3$

·  $\begin{array}{|c|c|} \hline \square & \square \\ \hline \end{array}_5$   $\square_3$   $\begin{array}{|c|c|c|} \hline \square & \square & \square \\ \hline \end{array}_7$

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$N=2$

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$N=1$

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$N=2$

$\square_2$   $\begin{array}{|c|c|} \hline \square & \square \\ \hline \end{array}_2$

$N=3$

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$N=1$

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$N=2$

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$N=3$

$\begin{array}{|c|c|c|} \hline \square & \square & \square \\ \hline \end{array}_7$   $\square_3$   $\begin{array}{|c|c|c|c|} \hline \square & \square & \square & \square \\ \hline \end{array}_9$   $\begin{array}{|c|c|} \hline \square & \square \\ \hline \end{array}_5$  ·

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There are a lot of more complicated examples

$N=1$

$$(-) \cdot \quad \cdot$$

$N=2$

$$\square_2 \quad \begin{array}{|c|c|} \hline \square & \square \\ \hline \end{array}_2$$

$N=3$

$$\cdot \quad \begin{array}{|c|c|} \hline \square & \square \\ \hline \end{array}_5 \quad \square_3 \quad \begin{array}{|c|c|c|} \hline \square & \square & \square \\ \hline \end{array}_7$$

$$R_{(5,4,3,3,3,2,1)}^{O(7)} = -R_{(5,4,2)}^{O(7)}$$

$$R_{(5,4,3,3,1,1,1)}^{O(7)} = +R_{(5,4,2)}^{O(7)}$$

$$R_{(5,4,3,3,3,3,1)}^{O(8)} = -R_{(5,4,3,2)}^{O(8)}$$

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$N=1$

$$(-) \cdot \quad \cdot$$

$N=2$

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$N=3$

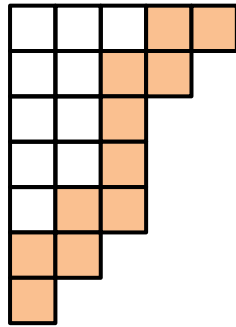
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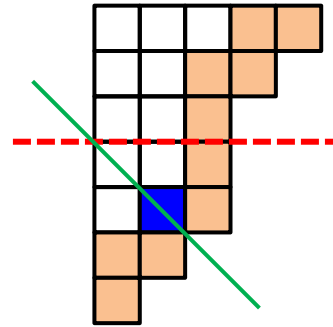
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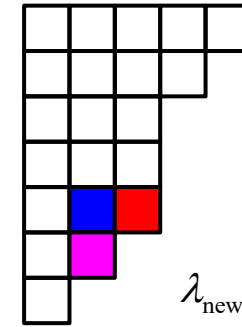
at  $N = 7$



East Coast



diagonal line



$$\lambda_{\text{new}} = (5, 4, 3, 3, 1, 1, 1)$$

**Clipping Center**: the box on the **East Coast** that is on the **diagonal line**

**Clipping Patch Addition 1**: all  $(n_1)$  boxes that are strictly below the **clipping center**

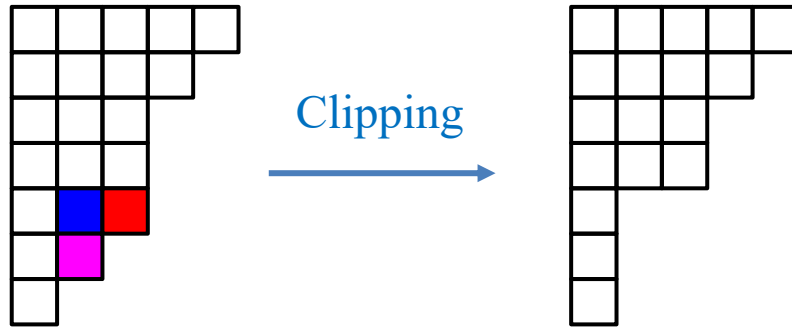
**Clipping Patch Addition 2**:  $n_1 + \frac{1}{2} \left[ 1 + (-1)^N \right]$  boxes on the **East Coast** that are towards the east or north from the **clipping center**

**Clipping Sign**: 
$$R_{\lambda}^{O(N)} = (-1)^{n_{\text{rows}} + N} R_{\lambda_{\text{new}}}^{O(N)}$$

where  $n_{\text{rows}}$  is the number of rows that the clipping patch spans

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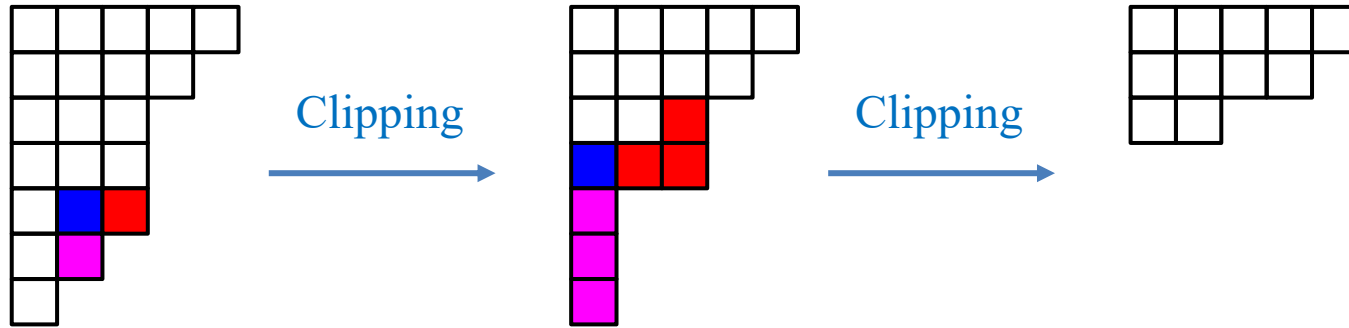
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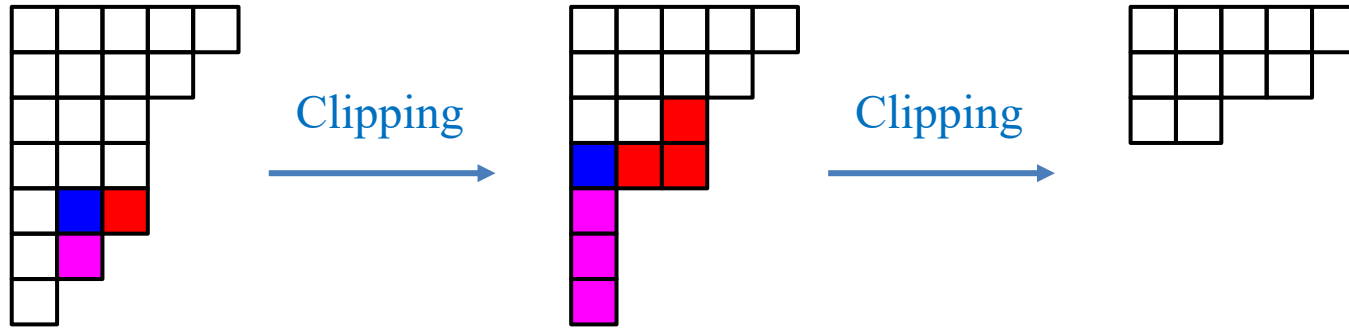


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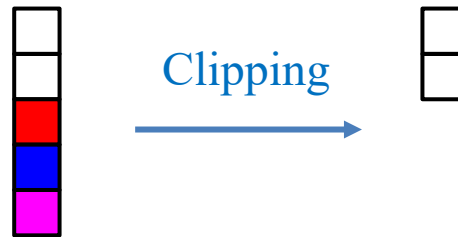
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$$R_{(1,1,1,1,1)}^{O(7)} = R_{(1,1)}^{O(7)}$$

## Racah-Speiser Algorithm

### Anonymous Report 2 on 2024-5-10 (*Invited Report*)



#### Report

Generally I think the paper is mostly acceptable. However while the word degeneracy is no longer in the title it appears frequently in the introduction. I thought it was agreed that what washing described was not degeneracy in the usual sense but a necessary consistency condition. In my view the introductory paragraphs should be modified to reflect this

Secondly the results in (14a,b,c) and in Table II are a direct reflection of the Racah Speiser algorithm. For what it is worth a concise discussion of this is given in an appendix to hep-th/0209056. Similar results can be found in maths textbooks.

With some revision this paper would be acceptable.



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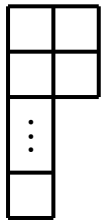
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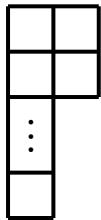
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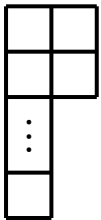
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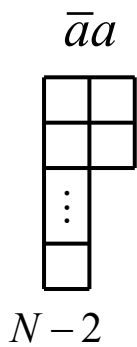
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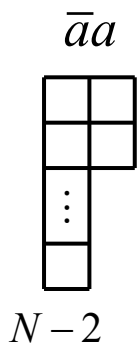
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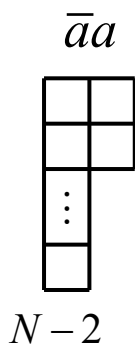
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Degeneracies in  
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# Summary

- A natural definition (continuation) of the representation theory of  $SU(N)$  and  $O(N)$  at non-integer  $N$  is to take the large integer  $N$  limit
- In this point of view, low integer  $N$  are special
- The “specializations” encode (a class of) evanescence
- For  $O(N)$  specializations, we have discovered an efficient Young diagram clipping rule (which is not to be confused with Racah-Speiser algorithm)
- Negative specializations indicate degeneracies