

DOUBLED-YET-GAUGED, SEMI-COVARIANCE & TWOFOLD SPIN

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Three themes in this talk:

- **Doubled-yet-gauged coordinate system**
- **Semi-covariant formulation of DFT/SDFT**
- **Twofold spin and Standard Model**

- Capital Latin letters denote the $\mathbf{O}(D, D)$ vector indices,

$$A, B, C, \dots, L, M, N, \dots = 1, 2, \dots, D+D.$$

- They can be freely raised or lowered by the $\mathbf{O}(D, D)$ invariant constant metric,

$$\mathcal{J}_{AB} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}.$$

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- The section condition in DFT,

$$\partial_M \partial^M = 0,$$

implies that, arbitrary functions and their arbitrary derivatives, collectively Φ , are invariant under translations generated by a **derivative-index-valued vector**,

$$\Phi_0(x + \Delta) = \Phi_0(x), \quad \Delta^M = \Phi_1 \partial^M \Phi_2.$$

- In fact, the converse is also true. *c.f.* 1307.8377

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- The action is **fully symmetric**, essentially due to the auxiliary gauge field, \mathcal{A}_i^M , under
 - String worldsheet diffeomorphisms plus Weyl symmetry (as usual)
 - $\mathbf{O}(D, D)$ T-duality
 - Target spacetime DFT diffeomorphisms
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c.f. Hull; Tseytlin; Copland, Berman, Thompson; Nibbelink, Patalong; Blair, Malek, Routh

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Semi-covariant formulation of DFT/SDFT:

Gravity on doubled-yet-gauged spacetime

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- Contrary to what it may sound like, the semi-covariant formalism is a **completely covariant approach** to DFT, as it manifests simultaneously

- $O(D, D)$ T-duality
- DFT-diffeomorphisms (generalized Lie derivative)
- A pair of local Lorentz symmetries, $\text{Spin}(1, D-1)_L \times \text{Spin}(D-1, 1)_R$

In particular, it makes each term in $D = 10$ Maximal SDFT completely covariant:

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{L}_{\text{Type II}} = e^{-2d} & \left[\frac{1}{8} (P^{AB} P^{CD} - \bar{P}^{AB} \bar{P}^{CD}) S_{ACBD} + \frac{1}{2} \text{Tr}(\mathcal{F} \bar{\mathcal{F}}) - i \bar{\rho} \mathcal{F} \rho' + i \bar{\psi}_{\bar{p}} \gamma_q \mathcal{F} \bar{\gamma}^{\bar{p}} \psi'^q \right. \\ & \left. + i \frac{1}{2} \bar{\rho} \gamma^p D_{\bar{p}}^* \rho - i \bar{\psi}^{\bar{p}} D_{\bar{p}}^* \rho - i \frac{1}{2} \bar{\psi}^{\bar{p}} \gamma^q D_{\bar{q}}^* \psi_{\bar{p}} - i \frac{1}{2} \bar{\rho}' \bar{\gamma}^{\bar{p}} D_{\bar{p}}^* \rho' + i \bar{\psi}'^p D_{\bar{p}}^* \rho' + i \frac{1}{2} \bar{\psi}'^p \bar{\gamma}^{\bar{q}} D_{\bar{q}}^* \psi'_{\bar{p}} \right] \end{aligned}$$

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- It also works for $SL(N)$ duality group, $N \neq 4$

c.f. Yoonji Suh's talk on U-gravity

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- As we shall see shortly, these projectors govern the DFT-diffeomorphic anomaly in the semi-covariant formalism, which can be then easily projected out.

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which we name **semi-covariant Riemann curvature**.

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where we set a pair of semi-covariant second order differential operators,

$$\mathfrak{D}_A^B := (P_A^B P^{CD} - 2P_A^D P^{BC})(\nabla_C \nabla_D - S_{CD}), \quad \bar{\mathfrak{D}}_A^B := (\bar{P}_A^B \bar{P}^{CD} - 2\bar{P}_A^D \bar{P}^{BC})(\nabla_C \nabla_D - S_{CD}),$$

which are relevant to the DFT fluctuation analysis [Ko-Meyer-Melby-Thompson-JHP](#)

- For local Lorentz tensors, $\text{Spin}(1, D-1)_L \times \text{Spin}(D-1, 1)_R$:

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These are the ‘pull-back’ of the previous page using the DFT-vielbeins, such as

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c.f. Chris Blair

- Dirac operators for fermions, ρ^α , $\psi_{\bar{\rho}}^\alpha$, $\rho'^{\bar{\alpha}}$, $\psi'_{\bar{\rho}}{}^{\bar{\alpha}}$:

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where we set $S_{AB} = S_{ACB}{}^C$.

Jeon-Lee-JHP 2011

- **Further, we have conserved “Einstein” curvature,**

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Combining all the results above, we are now ready to spell

- $D = 10$ Maximally Supersymmetric Double Field Theory

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- Maximal supersymmetry transformation rules are also completely covariant,

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