

Emergent Global Symmetries in Holography  
for Swamplanders

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Based on

- Ashwinkumar, Leedom + MY 2305.1022

See also

- Ashwinkumar, Dodelson, Kidambi, Leedom + MY  
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- Ashwinkumar, Kidambi, Leedom + MY  
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Ensemble Averages <sup>"exotic"</sup> in Holography



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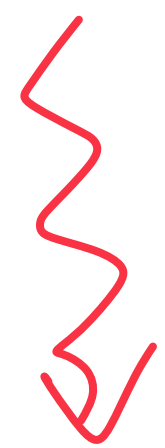
Emergent Global Symmetry

Q: Ensemble vs. Swampland?

initial inspiration:

[ Afkhami-Jeddi, Cohen, Hartman, Tajdini (20)  
Maloney - Witten (20) ]

(standard) Narain theory



: even self-dual lattice

generalized Narain theory [our works]

: general even (non-self-dual) lattice

# Generalized Narain Theories

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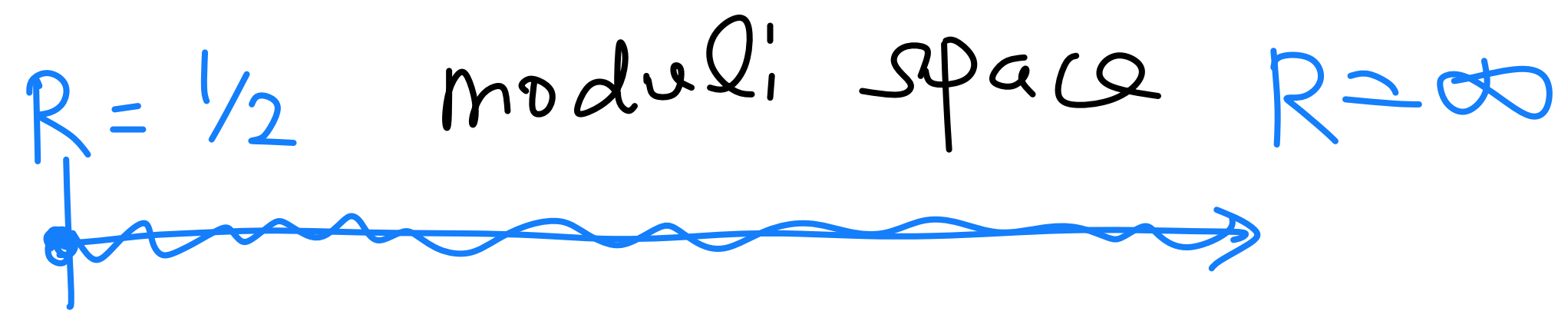
- [ Ashwinkumar - Dodelson - Kidambi - Leedom - MY (21) ]
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recall: S' Narain theory

$$P = \left\{ \left( P_L = \frac{n}{2R} + \omega R, P_R = \frac{n}{2R} - \omega R \right) \mid (n, \omega) \in \mathbb{Z} \right\}$$

moduli  $\hookrightarrow$  T-duality group

$R = 1/2$  moduli space  $R = \infty$



$$Q(\{n, \omega\}) = P_L^2 - P_R^2 = 2n\omega \in 2\mathbb{Z}$$

even quadratic form

$$H = P_L^2 + P_R^2 = \frac{n^2}{2R^2} + 2\omega^2 R^2$$



# Data

- $Q$ : even quadratic form  $Q = P_L^2 - P_R^2$   
of signature  $(p, g)$   
lattice  $\Lambda$
- $H$ : Hamiltonian  $H = P_L^2 + P_R^2$   
moduli dependent

- $M_Q$ : CFT moduli space

$$\left( \text{T-duality group} \right) \rightsquigarrow M_Q = \underbrace{O_Q(p, g; \mathbb{Z})}_{\text{of signature } (p, g)} \bigg/ O(p) \times O(g)$$

# Theta function

$$\mathcal{V}_Q(\tau, \bar{\tau}; m) = \sum_{\ell \in \Lambda} e^{\pi i \tau_1 Q(\ell) - \pi \tau_2 H(\ell)} \quad \text{m-dependence}$$

$$= \sum_{\ell \in \Lambda} \underbrace{\delta_{P_L^2(\ell)/2}}_{e^{2\pi i \tau}} \underbrace{\delta_{P_R^2(\ell)/2}}_{e^{2\pi i \bar{\tau}}}$$

$$(\tau = \tau_1 + i \tau_2)$$

(X.  $m$ : CFT moduli;  $\tau$ : spacetime torus moduli)

# Theta function

$$\pi i \tau_1 Q(l+\alpha) - \pi \tau_2 H(l+\alpha)$$

$$\mathcal{V}_{Q,\alpha}(\tau, \bar{\tau}; m) = \sum_{l \in \Lambda} e$$

$$= \sum_{l \in \Lambda} \underbrace{\theta_{PL^2(l+\alpha)/2}}_{e^{2\pi i \tau}} \underbrace{\theta_{PR^2(l+\alpha)/2}}_{e^{2\pi i \bar{\tau}}}$$

a set of  
basis functions

$$d \in \mathcal{D} := \Lambda^* / \Lambda \quad (\text{discriminant})$$

# modular transformation

$$T : \vartheta_{Q, \alpha}(\tau+1; m) = e^{i\pi Q(\alpha, \alpha)} \vartheta_{Q, \alpha}(\tau, m)$$

$$S : \vartheta_{Q, \alpha}\left(-\frac{1}{\tau}, m\right) = \frac{e^{-i\pi \frac{p-8}{4}}}{\sqrt{|\det Q|}} \tau^{\frac{p}{2}} \bar{\tau}^{\frac{8}{2}} \sum_{\beta \in \mathcal{D}} e^{-2\pi i Q(\alpha, \beta)} \vartheta_{Q, \beta}(\tau; m)$$

$T^2$  partition function

$$Z_{Q,\alpha}(\tau, \bar{\tau}; m) = \frac{\mathcal{V}_{Q,\alpha}(\tau, \bar{\tau}; m)}{\eta(\tau)^p \bar{\eta}(\bar{\tau})^q}$$

$$T : \sum_{\alpha} Q_{,\alpha}(\tau+1; m) = e^{i\pi Q(\alpha, \alpha)} e^{-\frac{2\pi i(p-g)}{24}} \sum_{\alpha} Q_{,\alpha}(\tau, m)$$

$$S : \sum_{\alpha} Q_{,\alpha}\left(-\frac{1}{\tau}, m\right)$$

$$= \frac{1}{\sqrt{|\det Q|}} \sum_{\beta \in \mathcal{D}} e^{-2\pi i Q(\alpha, \beta)} \sum_{\beta} Q_{,\beta}(\tau; m)$$

"Weil representation" of metaplectic group

# Ensemble Average

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[Ashwinkumar, Dodelson, Kidambi, Leedom, MY ('21)]

# Ensemble Average

Haar measure / Zamolodchikov metric

$$\frac{1}{\text{Vol}(\mathcal{M}_{g,\alpha})} \int_{\mathcal{M}_{g,\alpha}} [dm] \mathcal{Z}_{g,\alpha}(\tau, \bar{\tau}; m) = ??$$

T-duality  
preserving  
 $\alpha$

ensemble average

Over CFT moduli space



Siegel-Weil formula

[ Siegel ('51)  
Weil ('64) ]

$$\frac{1}{\text{Vol}(\mu_{Q,\alpha})} \int_{\mu_{Q,\alpha}} [dm] \vartheta_{Q,\alpha}(\tau, \bar{\tau}; m) = E_{Q,\alpha}(\tau, \bar{\tau})$$

ensemble average

over CFT moduli space

non-hol.

Eisenstein series

Poincaré sum

$$\begin{pmatrix} * & * \\ c & d \end{pmatrix} : SL(2, \mathbb{Z}) / \Gamma_\infty$$

$$E_{Q, \alpha}(\tau) := \int_{\alpha \in \Lambda} + \sum_{\substack{(c,d)=1 \\ c > 0}} \frac{\gamma_{Q, \alpha}(c, d)}{(c\bar{\tau} + d)^{\frac{p}{2}} (c\bar{\tau} + d)^{g/2}}$$

$$\gamma_{Q, \alpha}(c, d) = \frac{e^{\frac{\pi i (p-g)}{4}}}{\sqrt{|\det Q|}} c^{-\frac{p+g}{2}} \sum_{\alpha \in \Lambda/c\Lambda} \exp\left[-\pi i \frac{d}{c} Q(\alpha + d)\right]$$

In fact, modular form expected

$$\vartheta_{Q,\alpha}(\tau+1; m) = \underbrace{e^{i\pi Q(\alpha, \alpha)}}_{\text{red}} \vartheta_{Q,\alpha}(\tau, m)$$

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moduli independent!

$$\langle \vartheta_{Q,\alpha} \rangle(\tau+1) = e^{i\pi Q(\alpha, \alpha)} \langle \vartheta_{Q,\alpha} \rangle(\tau)$$

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modular form  
for  $\Gamma \subset SL(2, \mathbb{Z})$

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reproduce  
behavior at  
cusps

$$E_{Q,\alpha}(\tau) := \int_{\mathcal{O} \in \Lambda} + \sum_{\substack{(c,d)=1 \\ c > 0}} \frac{\gamma_{Q,\alpha}(c,d)}{(c\bar{\tau}+d)^{\frac{p}{2}} (c\bar{\tau}+d)^{\frac{8}{2}}} \quad \tau \sim -\frac{c}{d}$$

# Holographic Dual

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[ Ashwinkumar, Dodelson, Kidambi, Leedom, MY ('21) ]

Holographic dual after averaging:

$$S_{CS} = \sum_{I, J=1}^{p+8} \frac{1}{4\pi} Q_{IJ} \int A_I \wedge dA_J$$

↑  
U(1)

\* defined from  $Q$

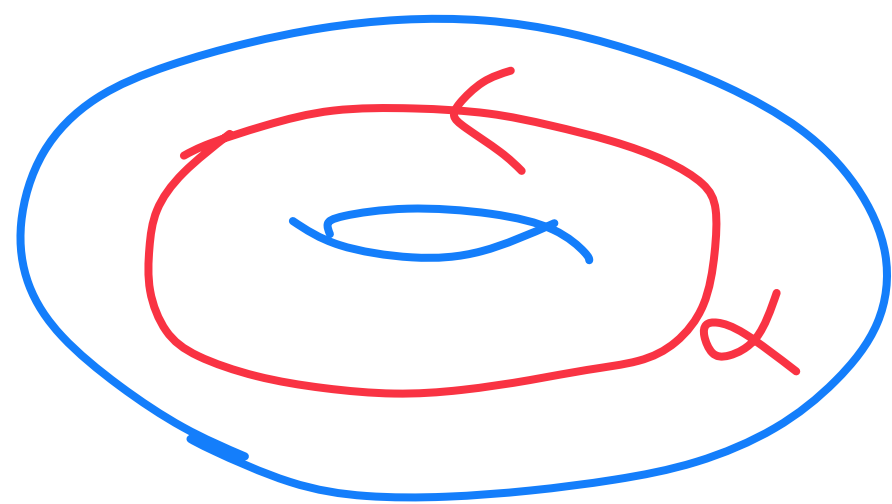
\* Sum over geom:  $SL(2, \mathbb{Z})$  BHs  
"exotic gravity" (solid torus)

thermal  $AdS_3$ , BTZ BH, ...

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Wilson line  
 insertion



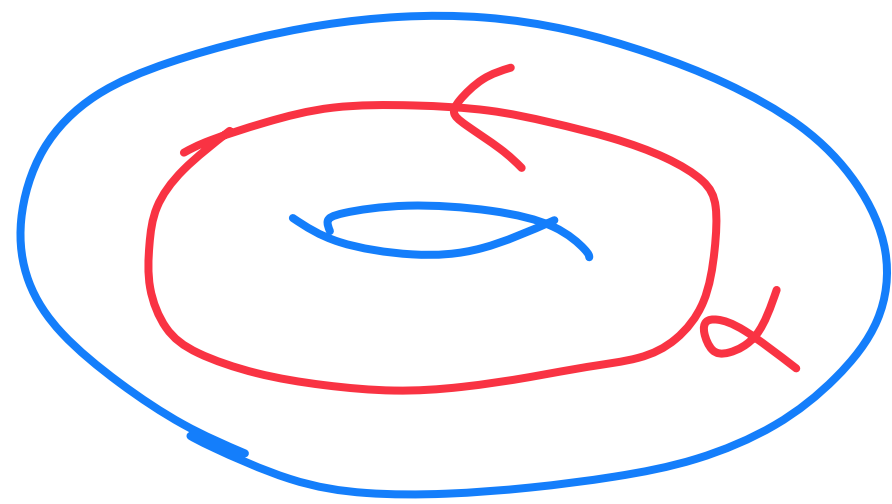
anyon

$\alpha \in \frac{\Lambda^*}{\Lambda}$   
 charge / gauge equiv.



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(Supplemented by  $\frac{1}{\eta^p \bar{\eta}^q}$  : Brown-Henneaux  
 Virasoro modes)

$$* \left( \begin{array}{l} T : Z_{Q,\alpha}(\tau+1) = e^{i\pi Q(\alpha,\alpha)} e^{-\frac{2\pi i(p-g)}{24}} Z_{Q,\alpha}(\tau, m) \\ S : Z_{Q,\alpha}(-\frac{1}{\tau}) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{|\det Q|}} \sum_{\beta \in \mathcal{D}} e^{-2\pi i Q(\alpha,\beta)} Z_{Q,\beta}(\tau, m) \end{array} \right)$$

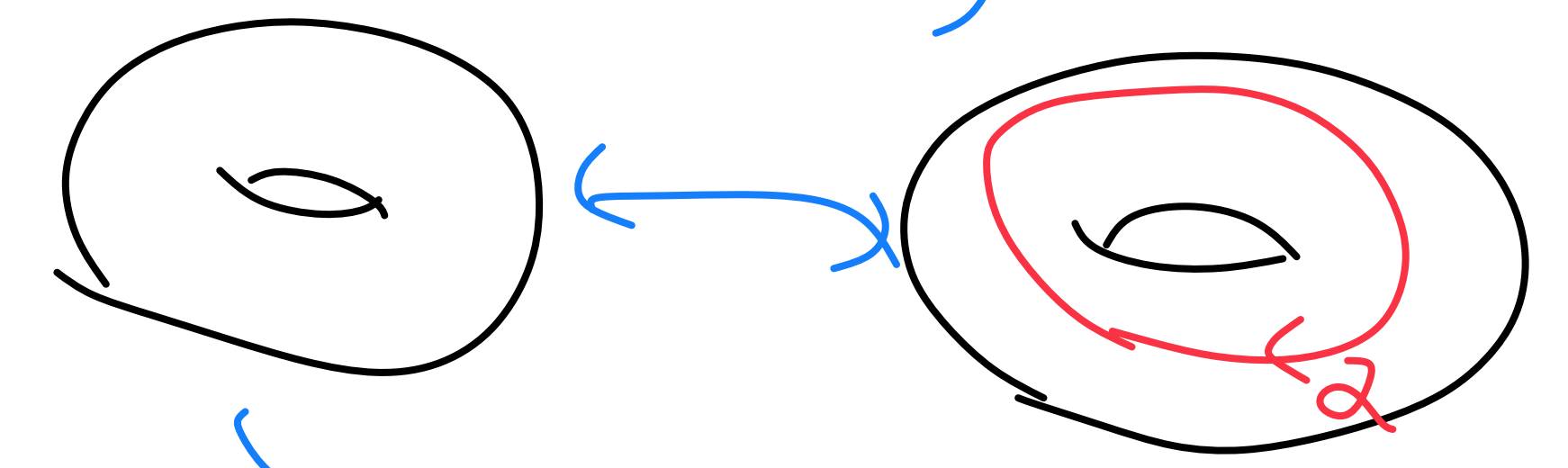
matched by modular T/S matrix  
for Abelian anyons

$$T_{\alpha\beta} = \underbrace{e^{i\pi Q(\alpha,\alpha)}}_{\text{topological spin}} e^{-\frac{2\pi i(p-g)}{24}} \delta_{\alpha\beta} ; S_{\alpha\beta} = e^{-2\pi i Q(\alpha,\beta)}$$

$M(c,d)$   
 Sum over  
 $SL(2, \mathbb{Z})$  BH

lens space partition function

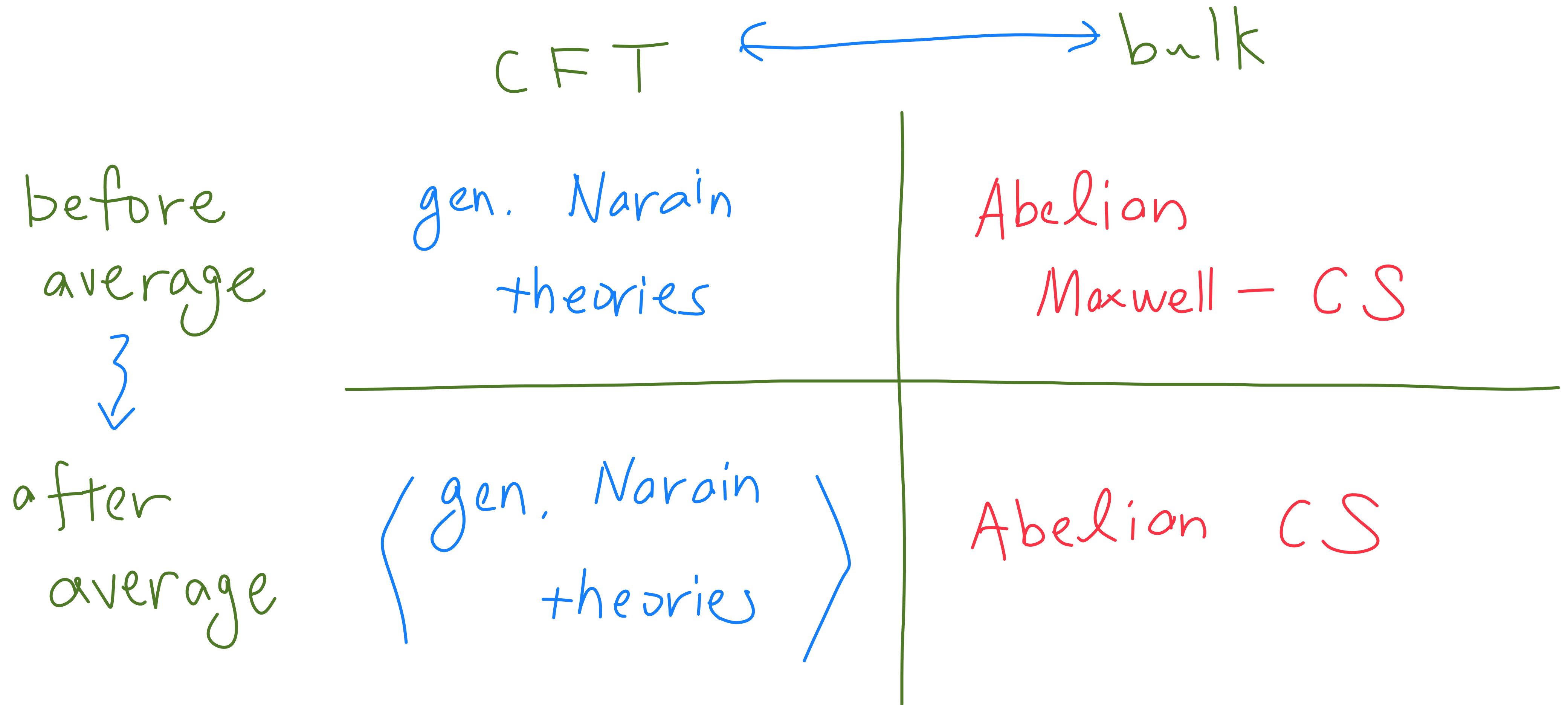
$$\langle \psi_0 | \begin{pmatrix} * & * \\ c & d \end{pmatrix} | \psi_\alpha \rangle$$



$$E_{Q, \alpha}(\tau) := \int_{d \in \Lambda} + \sum_{\substack{(c,d)=1 \\ c > 0}} \frac{\gamma_{Q, \alpha}(c,d)}{(c\bar{\tau}+d)^{\frac{p}{2}} (c\tau+d)^{\frac{q}{2}}}$$

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CFT  $\longleftrightarrow$  bulk

before  
average

$$\mathcal{V}_{Q,\alpha}(\tau, \bar{\tau}; m)$$

$$S_{CS} + S_M$$

$$\left(\frac{1}{g^2}\right)_{IJ} \int F_I \wedge * F_J$$

after  
average

$$\mathbb{E}_{Q,\alpha}(\tau, \bar{\tau})$$

$$S_{CS} = \sum \int \mathcal{Q}_{IJ} A_I \wedge dA_J$$

Our setup : proposed for

$AdS_3 \times K_7$  compactifications in

actual string theory!

[Gukov - Martinec - Moore - Strominger '04]

Ideal setup for precision

Swampland / Ensemble discussion?

# Emergent Global Symmetries

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[Ashwinkumar, Leedom, MY ('23)]

QG: "No exact global symmetries"  
↖ Swampland conjecture!

However, Abelian CS theories have

zero-form / one-form } symmetries  
global

(~~X~~ not an immediate contradiction  
since bulk is not Einstein gravity)

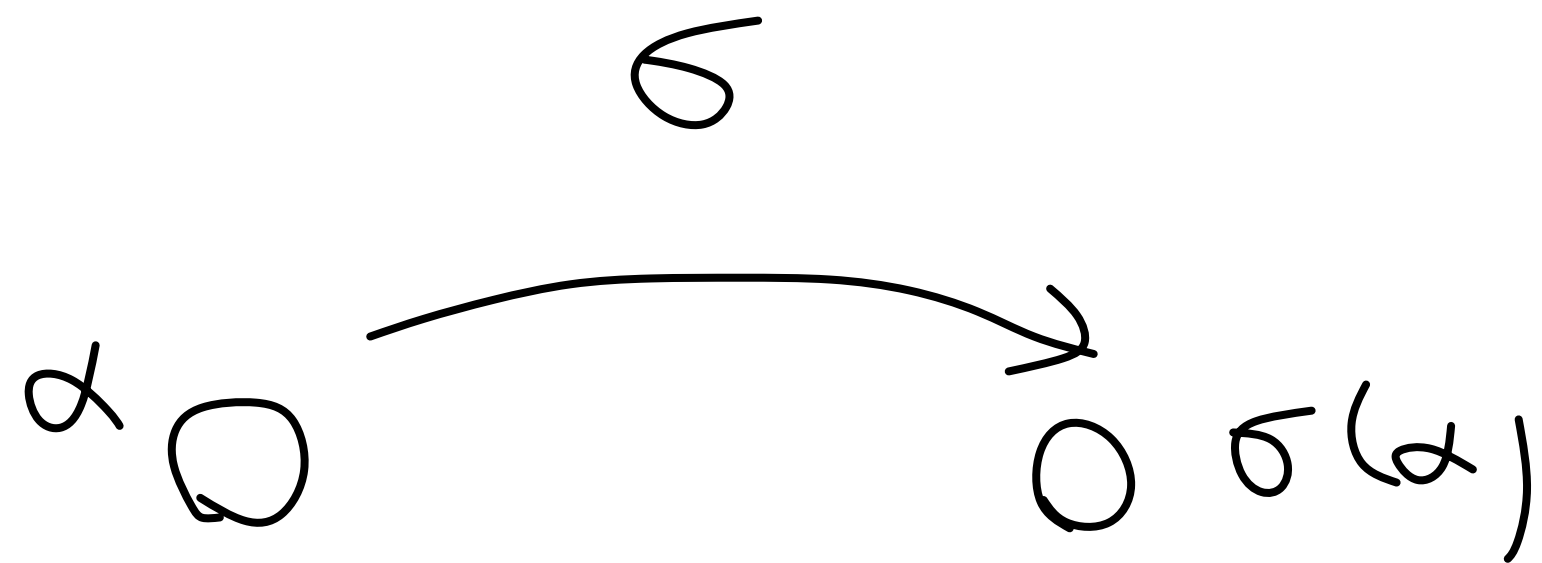


# Symmetries of anyons

•  $\alpha \in \mathcal{D} = \Lambda^* / \Lambda$  ; anyons w/ spin  $\theta(\alpha) = e^{\pi i Q(\alpha)}$

• Symmetry:  $\sigma \in \text{Aut}(\mathcal{D})$

$\alpha \mapsto \sigma \cdot \alpha$  s.t.  $\theta(\alpha) = \theta(\sigma \cdot \alpha)$



$\sigma \in \text{Aut}(\mathcal{D})$  then

After average

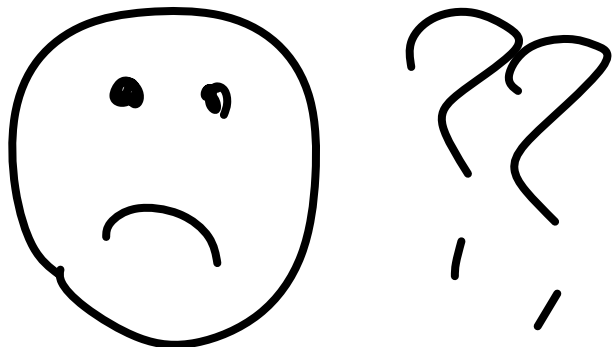
•  $E_{Q, \sigma, \alpha}(\tau, \bar{\tau}) = E_{Q, \alpha}(\tau, \bar{\tau})$  

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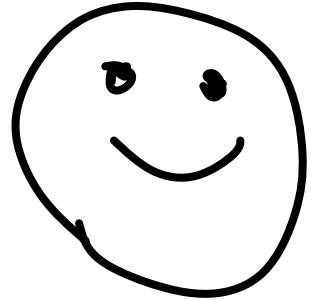
Before average

$\mathcal{D}Q_{\sigma, \alpha}(\tau, \bar{\tau}; m) \neq \mathcal{D}Q_{\alpha}(\tau, \bar{\tau}; m)$  

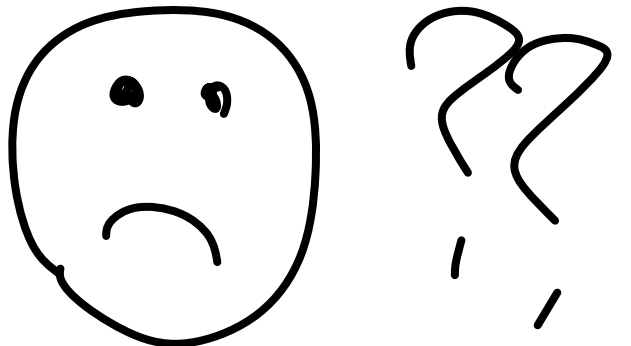
NOT a symmetry of a given CFT

$\sigma \in \text{Aut}(\mathcal{D})$  then

After average

•  $E_{Q, \sigma \cdot \alpha}(\tau, \bar{\tau}) = E_{Q, \alpha}(\tau, \bar{\tau})$  

Before average

$\mathcal{D}Q_{\sigma \cdot \alpha}(\tau, \bar{\tau}; m) \neq \mathcal{D}Q_{\alpha}(\tau, \bar{\tau}; m)$  

$\mathcal{D}Q_{\sigma \cdot \alpha}(\tau, \bar{\tau}; \underbrace{\sigma \cdot m}) = \mathcal{D}Q_{\alpha}(\tau, \bar{\tau}; m)$

if  $\nearrow$  T-duality origin relation between different theories

In general,

"ensemble sym."

average over  $\mathcal{M} \subset \sigma \in G$  s.t.  $[d(\sigma(m))] = [dm]$

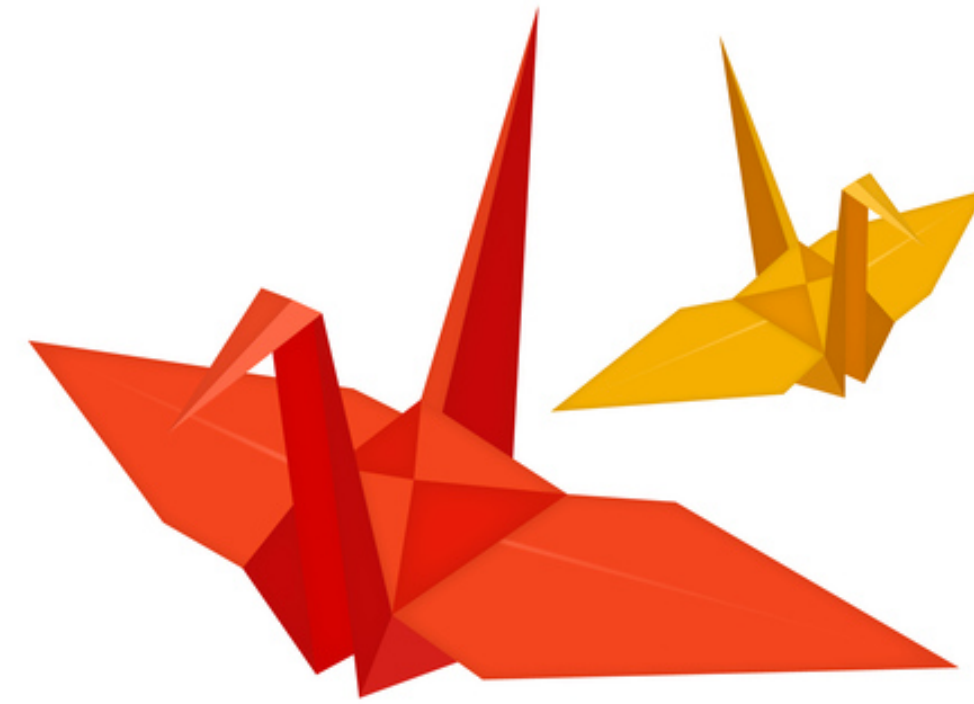
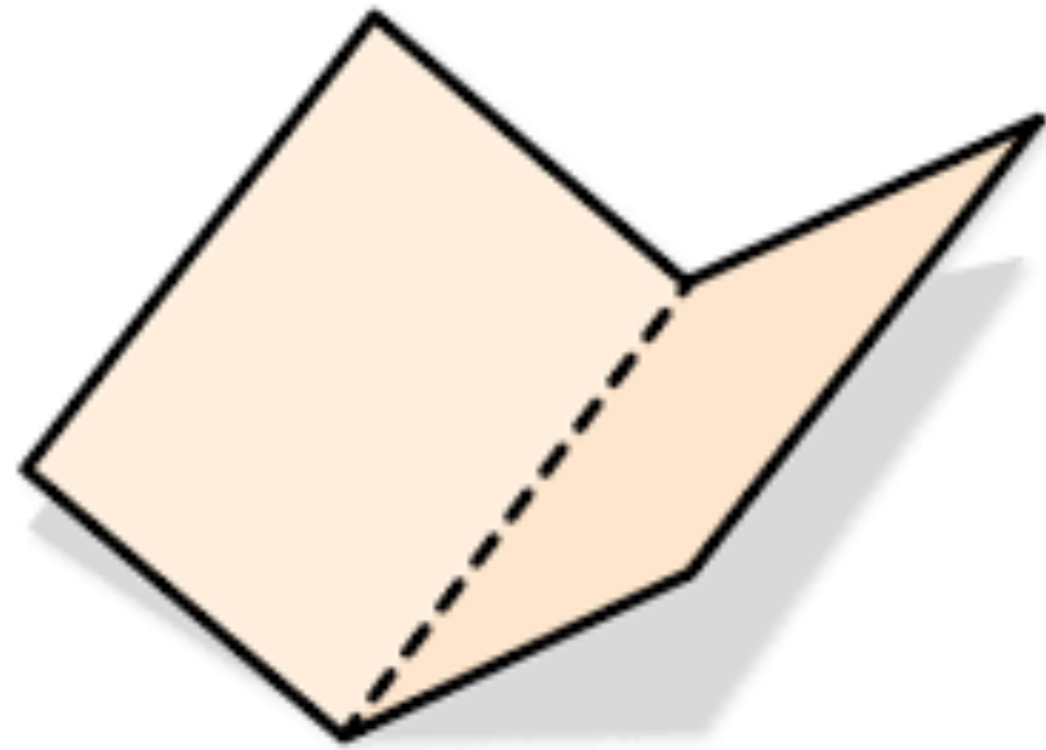
of  $\Theta(m, \alpha)$  s.t.  $\Theta(\sigma \cdot m, \sigma \cdot \alpha) = \Theta(m, \alpha)$

$$\Rightarrow \langle \Theta \rangle(\alpha) = \int [dm] \Theta(m, \alpha) = \langle \Theta \rangle(\sigma \cdot \alpha)$$

$$\begin{aligned}
\langle \theta \rangle (\sigma \cdot \alpha) &= \int [dm] \theta(m, \sigma \cdot \alpha) \\
&= \int [dm] \theta(\sigma^{-1} m, \alpha) \\
&= \int [d(\sigma \cdot m)] \theta(m, \alpha) \\
&= \int [dm] \theta(m, \alpha) \\
&= \langle \theta \rangle (\alpha)
\end{aligned}$$

$\theta$  transformation  
change  
 $m \rightarrow \sigma m$   
inv. of  $[dm]$

# "duality origami"



ensemble symmetry



global symmetry

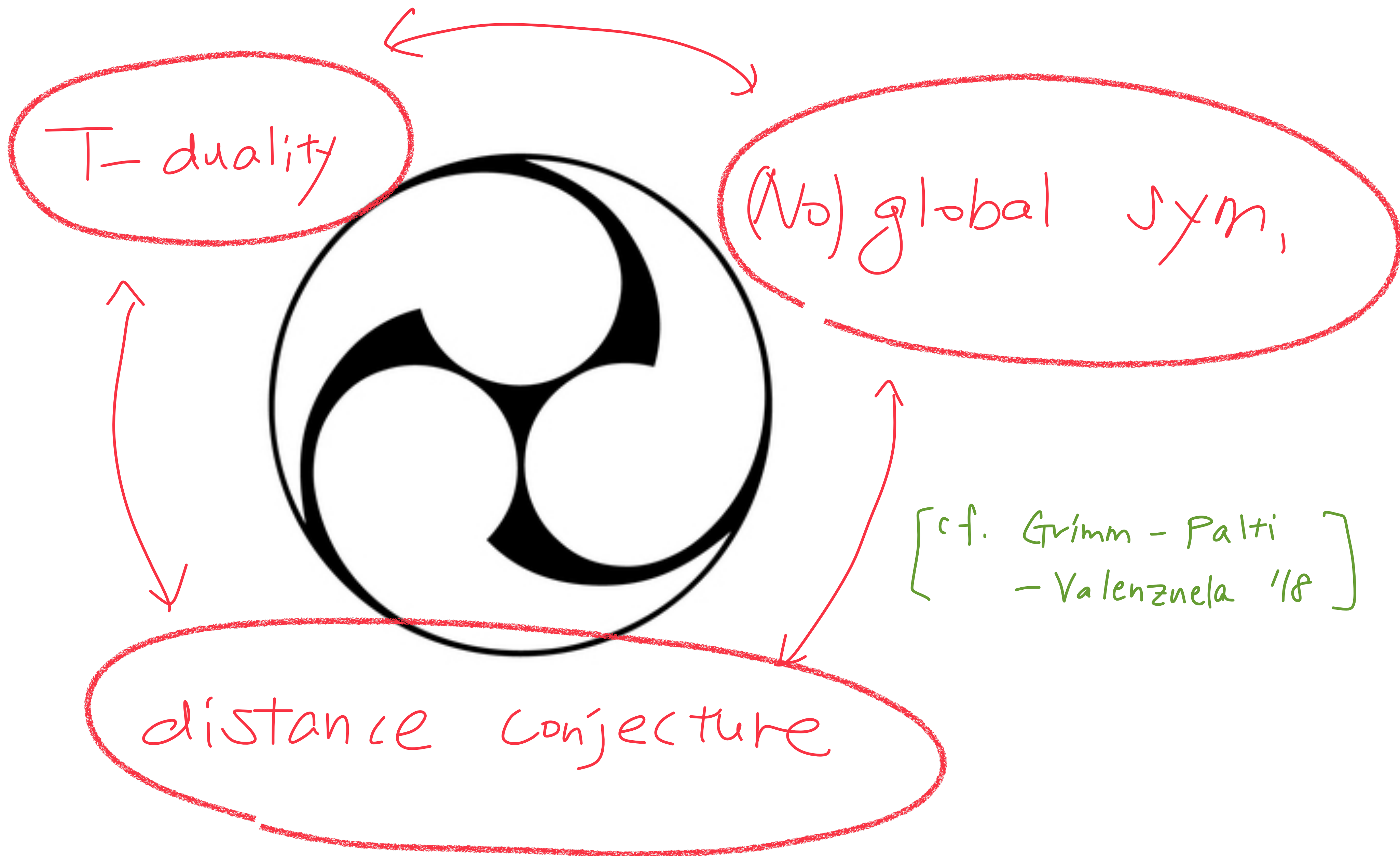
(e.g. T-duality)

ensemble average

Swamp land ?







asymptotic at cusps as  $\tau \rightarrow -d/c$

$\vartheta_{Q,\alpha}(\tau)$

$\infty$ -distance  
[cf. distance conj.]

lens inv.

$\gamma_{Q,\alpha}(c,d)$

ensemble average

extract

gather all

$$\langle \vartheta_{Q,\alpha} \rangle(\tau) = \int_{\alpha \in \Lambda} + \sum_{\substack{(k,d) \in \Lambda \\ c > 0}} \frac{\gamma_{Q,\alpha}(c,d)}{(c\bar{\tau}+d)^{\frac{p}{2}} (c\tau+d)^{\frac{q}{2}}}$$

Deviations from ensemble average?

Spectral Decomposition

[ Benjamin, Collier, Fritzsche  
Maloney, Perlmutter (21) ]

$$f(\tau, \bar{\tau}) := \tau_2^{\frac{p+q}{2}} \left( \mathcal{D}_{\alpha, \alpha}(\tau, \bar{\tau}; m) - E_{\alpha, \alpha}(\tau, \bar{\tau}) \right)$$

$$\left\{ \begin{aligned} &= \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} \langle f, u_i \rangle u_i(\tau) + \sum_{j=1}^N \langle f, v_j \rangle v_j(\tau) \\ &+ \sum_{\mathbb{R}} \frac{1}{4\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \langle f, E_{\alpha_k}(\tau, \frac{1}{2} + it) \rangle E_{\alpha_k}(\tau, \frac{1}{2} + it) dt \end{aligned} \right.$$

fluctuation from av. break emergent global sym,

# Gauging Global Symmetries

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[Ashwinkumar, Kidambi, Leedom, MY (to appear)]

cf. [Dong, Hortman, Jiang ('21)]

\* Gauge global sym. in the bulk?

•  $G \in \text{Aut}(\mathcal{D})$  anyon sym.

•  $\mathcal{D} \rightarrow \underbrace{(\mathcal{D}/\sim)}_{\text{mod by } G} \oplus \underbrace{\mathcal{D}_G}_{G\text{-anyons}}$

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\* orbifolding generalized Narain theories

•  $G \in \text{Aut}(\mathcal{Q})$  lattice symmetry

•  $\underbrace{(\text{untwisted sector})}_{\text{projected by } G} + \underbrace{(\text{twisted sectors})}_{\text{rep. of } G}$

We can orbifold ensemble average stories 

Ashwinkumar - Kidambi - Leedom - M.Y.

(to appear)

New generalized { Eisenstein series  
Siegel-Weil formula

(cf. Zemels (21) for theta functions)

# Summary

"Precision Ensemble Average"

Generalized Nairain theory  
v.s. Abelian CS in bulk

"Emergent Global Symmetries"

by "folding" ensemble sym (e.g. T-duality)

Lessons from swampland?



Can we fit everything?

String theory

Ensemble

Swampland

