

# Quantum modularity of higher rank homological blocks

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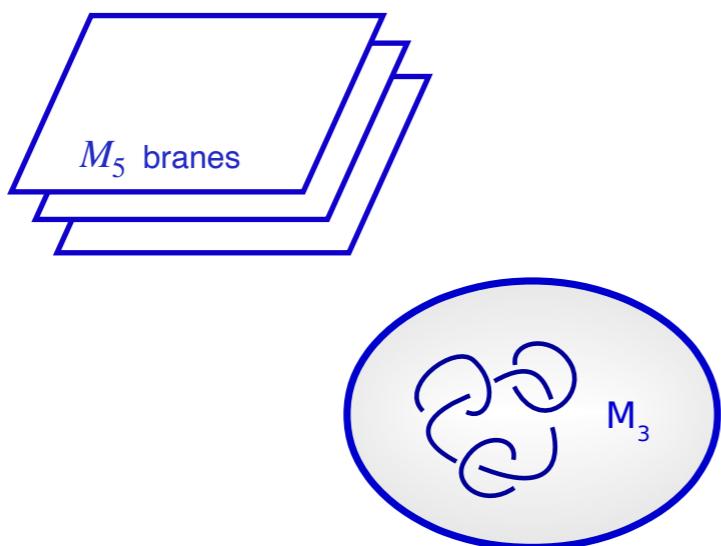
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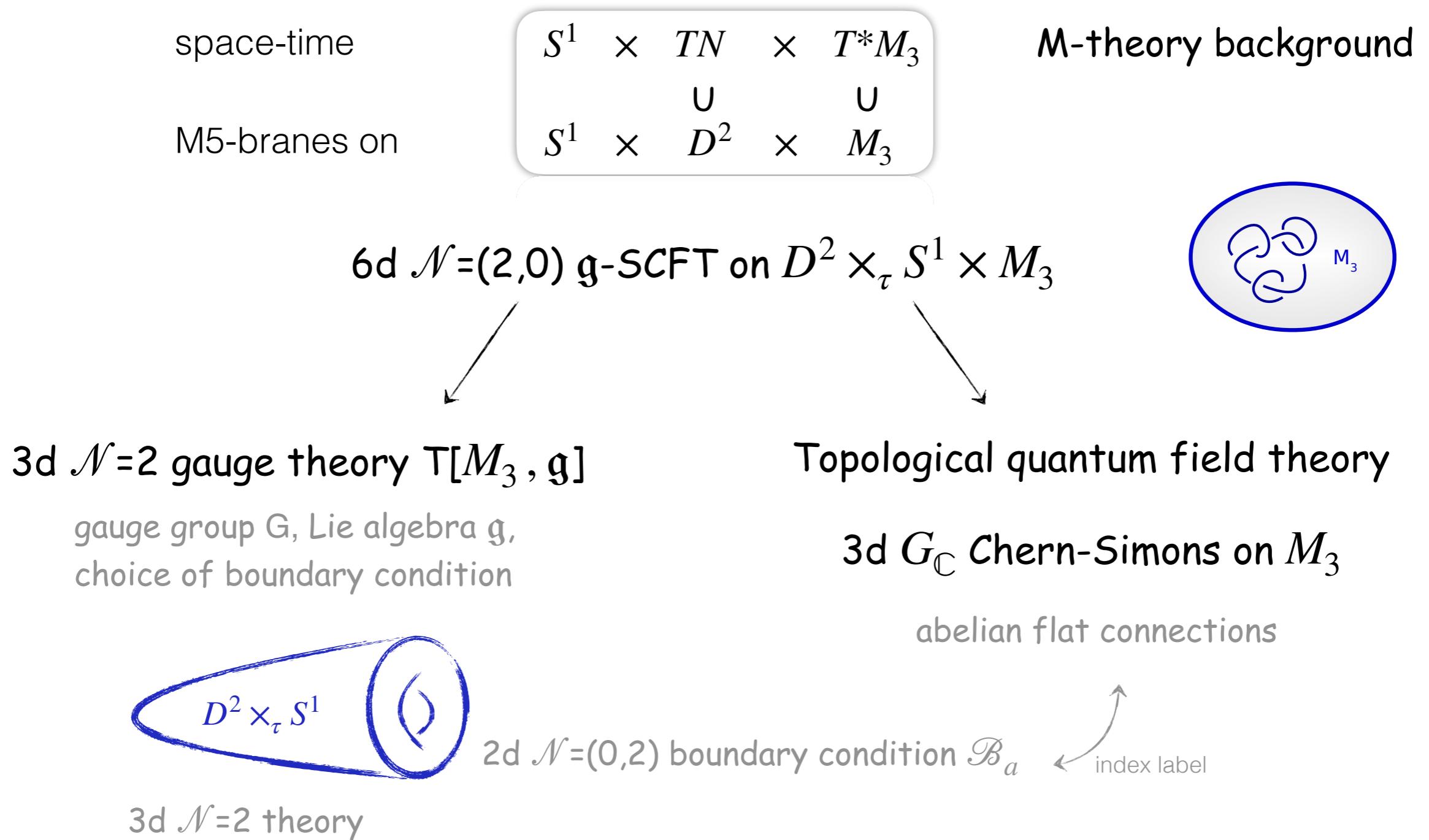
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# 3-Manifold Invariants $\hat{Z}_a(M_3)$ and WRT invariants

$\hat{Z}_a(M_3)$  is related to the Witten-Reshetikhin-Turaev invariant of  $M_3$

[Witten'88; Reshetikhin, Turaev '90]

$$Z_{CS}(M_3; k) = \int_{\mathcal{A}} \mathcal{D}A e^{\frac{i(k-h^\vee)}{4\pi} \int_{M_3} \text{Tr}(A \wedge dA + \frac{3}{2} A \wedge A \wedge A)} \quad \text{3d Chern-Simons partition function}$$

↑ radial limit  $|q| \rightarrow 1 \leftrightarrow \tau \rightarrow 1/k$  and sum over "a"  $k \in \mathbb{Z}$  shifted CS level

$\hat{Z}_a(M_3; q) \rightarrow$  has a  $q$ -series expansion with integer powers and integer coefficients

$$q = e^{2\pi i \tau}$$

convergent for  $|q| < 1 \leftrightarrow \tau \in \mathbb{H}$

$$Z_{CS}(M_3; k) = (i\sqrt{2k})^{N(b_1(M_3)-1)/2} \sum_{a,b \in \pi_0 \mathcal{M}_{flat}^{ab}(M_3, G)} e^{2\pi i k \text{CS}(a)} \left[ S_{ab} \hat{Z}_b(M_3; q) \right]_{\tau \rightarrow 1/k}$$

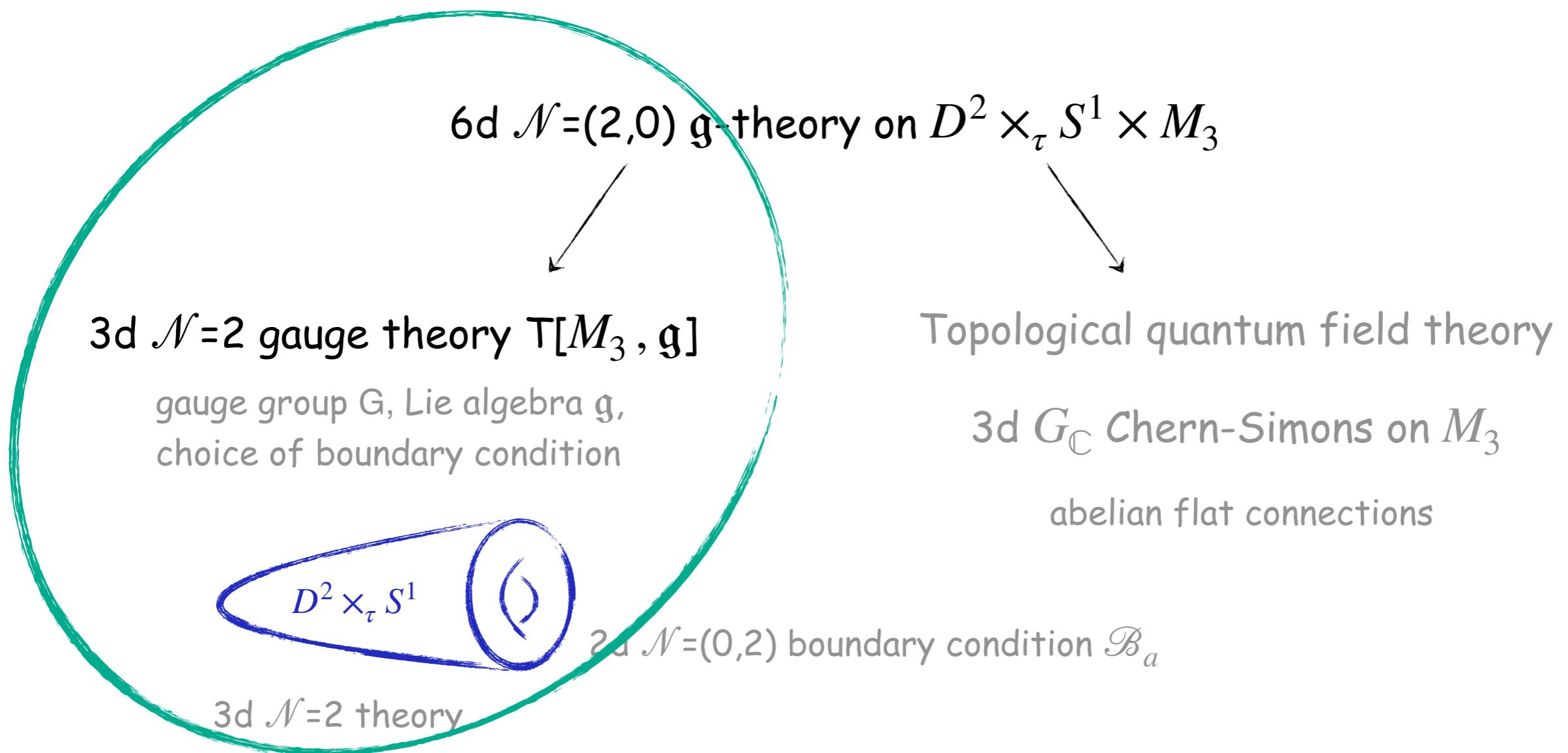
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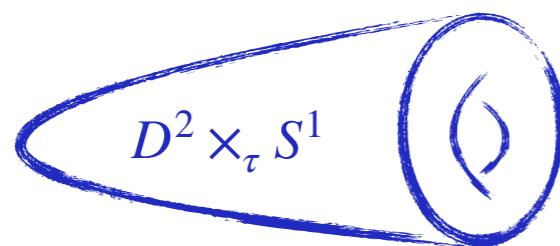
$$\hat{Z}_a(M_3) = Z_{T[M_3, \mathfrak{g}]}(D^2 \times_\tau S^1; \mathcal{B}_a) = \sum_{i,j} (-1)^i q^j \dim \mathcal{H}_a^{i,j} \quad \text{BPS Hilbert spaces} \quad \tau \in \mathbb{H}$$

when a Lagrangian description of  $T[M_3]$  is known, compute by localisation [Yoshida, Sugiyama '14]

$$\hat{Z}_a = \int \frac{dx}{2\pi i x} F_{3d}(x) \Theta_{2d}^{(a)}(x)$$

conjectured relation to 3d  $\mathcal{N}=2$  superconformal index

$$Z(S^2 \times_\tau S^1) = \sum_a |\mathcal{W}_a| \hat{Z}_a(M_3; q) \hat{Z}_a(M_3; q^{-1}) \in \mathbb{Z}[[q]] \quad [\text{Gukov, Pei, Putrov, Vafa '17}]$$



2d  $\mathcal{N}=(0,2)$  boundary condition  $\mathcal{B}_a$

3d  $\mathcal{N}=2$  theory

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- $\hat{Z}_a(M_3)$  from resurgence in 3d theory  $T[M_3, \mathfrak{g}]$

[Gukov, Marino, Putrov '16]  
[Gukov, Pei, Putrov, Vafa '17], [Chun '17] ...  
[Cheng, Chun, Ferrari, Gukov, Harrison '18]

↪ is a Borel resummation of a perturbative series

$$\hat{Z}_a^{\text{pert}}(1/k) = \sum_{m \geq 1} N_m^b (2\pi i/k)^m \in \mathbb{Q}[[2\pi i/k]]$$

$$\hat{Z}_a(1/k) = \hat{Z}_a(-k) + \text{pert. series in } k^{-1} \quad (\text{at rank-1, Seifert } M_3)$$

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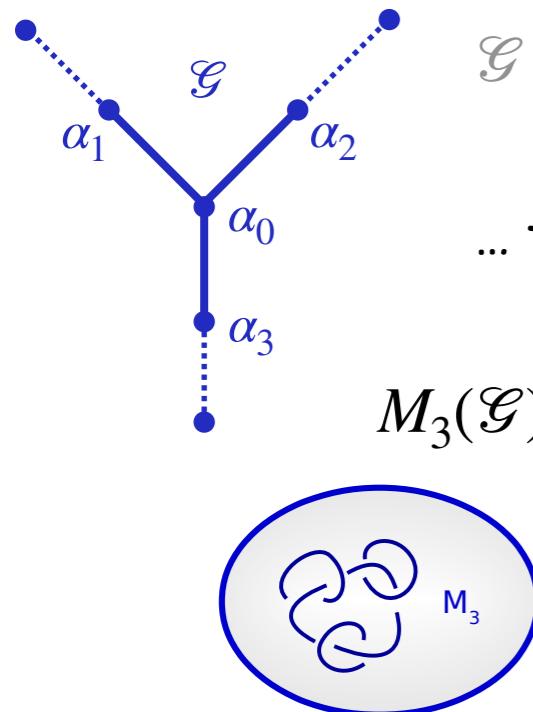
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## Mathematical definition of the 3-manifold invariants $\hat{Z}_a(M_3)$

[Gukov, Pei, Putrov, Vafa '17]

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... in the case where  $M_3(\mathcal{G})$  is a plumbed 3-manifold, with plumbing graph  $\mathcal{G}$

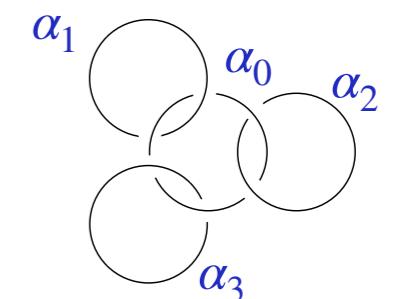


$\mathcal{G} := (V, E, \alpha)$  is a weighted graph  $\alpha : V \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}$

... this data is encoded in the adjacency matrix  $M$

$$M_{vv'} = \begin{cases} \alpha(v) & \text{if } v = v' \\ 1 & \text{if } (v, v') \in E \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

$M_3(\mathcal{G})$  from Dehn surgery along the corresponding framed link



$M_3(\mathcal{G})$  weakly negative if  $M^{-1}$  negative definite when restricted to subspace of high-valency vertices

... for 3-star graphs, this means  $(M^{-1})_{00} < 0$

Example: Brieskorn sphere  $\Sigma(p_1, p_2, p_3)$   $p_i \in \mathbb{Z}$  coprime

$$M_3(\mathcal{G}) = \Sigma(p_1, p_2, p_3) = \{(x, y, z) \in \mathbb{C}^3 \mid x^{p_1} + y^{p_2} + z^{p_3} = 0\} \cap S^5$$

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$$\hat{Z}_a(M_3; q) = q^{\Delta_a} \oint \prod_{v \in V} \frac{dz_v}{2\pi i z_v} (z_v - z_v^{-1})^{2-\deg(v)} \Theta_a^M(q; \mathbf{z}) \quad \dots \text{the contour integral picks the } [z^0] \text{ term}$$

$\Delta_a \in \mathbb{Q}$

$$\Theta_a^M(q; \mathbf{z}) = \sum_{\ell \in 2M\mathbb{Z}^{|V|} \pm a} q^{-\ell^T M^{-1} \ell} \mathbf{z}^\ell$$

$$\hat{Z}_a = \int \frac{dx}{2\pi i x} F_{3d}(x) \Theta_{2d}^{(a)}(x)$$

well defined only if  $M_3(\mathcal{G})$  is weakly negative

the sum is over a positive definite lattice and  $\Theta_a^M(\tau), \hat{Z}_a(\tau)$  converge for  $|q| < 1$

## Example: Brieskorn sphere $\Sigma(4,5,7)$

[Cheng, Chun, Ferrari, Gukov, Harrison '18]

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for the general case of a Brieskorn sphere  $\Sigma(p_1, p_2, p_3)$

$$q^{-\Delta} \hat{Z}_0(\Sigma(p_1, p_2, p_3); q) = \tilde{\theta}_{p,r_1}^1 - \tilde{\theta}_{p,r_2}^1 - \tilde{\theta}_{p,r_3}^1 + \tilde{\theta}_{p,r_4}^1 := \tilde{\theta}_{r_1}^{1,p+K}$$

$$\begin{aligned} p &= p_1 p_2 p_3 \\ K &= \{1, p_1 p_2, p_2 p_3, p_1 p_3\} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} r_4 &= p - p_1 p_2 - p_1 p_3 - p_2 p_3 \\ r_i &= r_4 + 2p_j p_k, \quad i \neq j \neq k \end{aligned}$$

orbit in Weil representation of  $SL_2(\mathbb{Z})$

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free boson OPE  $\varphi(z)\varphi(w) \sim \log(z - w)$

[Gurarie '93]  
 [Pearce, Rasmussen, Zuber '06]  
 [Feigin, Tipunin '10]

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triplet (1,p) algebra:  $\mathcal{W}(p) = \ker_{\mathcal{V}_L} Q \cup \mathcal{V}_L$  lattice VOA lattice  $L = \sqrt{2p}\mathbb{Z}$  [Feigin, Gainutdinov, Semikhatov, Tipunin '06]

singlet (1,p) algebra:  $\mathcal{M}(p) = \ker_{\mathcal{H}} Q \cup \mathcal{H}$  Heisenberg algebra

♣ Characters of irreducible modules [Adamovich, Milas '07]

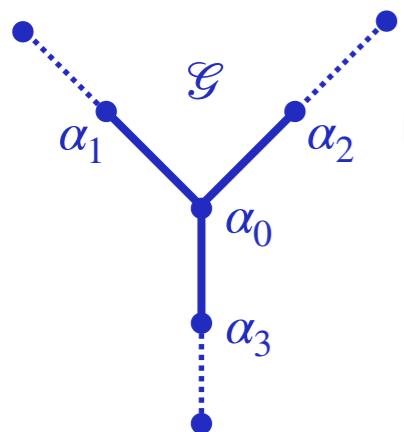
$$F^{(s)}(q) = [z^0] \left( F_s^{\mathcal{W}(p)}(q, z) \right) = \eta(q)^{-1} \sum_{n \geq 0} \left( q^{\frac{1}{4p}(2pn+p-s)^2} - q^{\frac{1}{4p}(2pn+p+s)^2} \right) \quad s = 1, \dots, p$$

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$$q^c \hat{Z}_a(M_3(\mathcal{G}); \tau) \in \text{span}_{\mathbb{Z}}\{\tilde{\theta}_{m,r}^1, r \in \mathbb{Z}/2m\}, \quad m \in \mathbb{Z}_+$$

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recall the example  $\hat{Z}_0(\Sigma(4,5,7); q) \sim \tilde{\theta}_{140,57}^1 - \tilde{\theta}_{140,97}^1 - \tilde{\theta}_{140,113}^1 + \tilde{\theta}_{140,153}^1$

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♣ Characters of irreducible modules at higher rank  $F_{\mathfrak{g}}^{(s)}(q) = [z^0] \left( F_s^{\mathcal{W}(p), \mathfrak{g}}(q, z) \right)$  [Bringmann, Milas '16]

$$F_{A_2}^{(1,1)}(q) = \eta(q)^{-2} \sum_{\substack{m_1, m_2 \geq 1 \\ m_1 \equiv m_2 \pmod{3}}} \min(m_1, m_2) q^{\frac{p}{3}(m_1^2 + m_2^2 + m_1 m_2) - m_1 - m_2 + \frac{1}{p}} (1 - q^{m_1}) (1 - q^{m_2}) (1 - q^{m_1 + m_2})$$

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The radial limit  $|q| \rightarrow 1 \Leftrightarrow \tau \rightarrow \alpha \in \mathbb{Q}$  defines a function on the boundary of  $\mathbb{H}$ , on  $\mathbb{Q}$

$$f(\alpha) := \lim_{t \rightarrow 0^+} f(\alpha + it)$$

Quantum modular forms (QMF's) are defined at the boundary of  $\mathbb{H}$ , on  $\mathbb{Q} \cup \{i\infty\}$

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defined by  $p_\gamma(x) := f(x) - f|_{w,\chi} \gamma(x)$  has a better analytic behaviour than  $f(x)$ . [Zagier '10]

The function  $\gamma \rightarrow p_\gamma$  is a cocycle in  $\Gamma$ , which means  $p_{\gamma_1 \gamma_2} = p_{\gamma_1}|_{w,\chi} \gamma_2 + p_{\gamma_2}$

A strong quantum modular form is a QMF  $f$  which associates to each element  $x \in \mathbb{Q}$

a formal power series over  $\mathbb{C}$ , so that  $p_\gamma(x + it) := f(x + it) - f|_{w,\chi} \gamma(x + it)$   $t \rightarrow 0^+$ ,  $\gamma \in \Gamma$

holds as an identity between countable collections of formal power series.



characters of Log-VOA's,  $\hat{Z}_a^{SU(2)}(M_3; \tau)$

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Example: rank-1 invariants for Brieskorn spheres  $\hat{Z}_0(\Sigma(p_1, p_2, p_3); q)$

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# Roadmap

## 3-manifold invariants $\hat{Z}_a(M_3)$

### Context and motivation

what is there to gain from knowing this?

- Mathematics
  - low-dimensional topology
  - log VOA characters
  - quantum modular forms

[Cheng, Chun, Ferrari, Gukov, Harrison '18]

♣  $\hat{Z}_a$  invariants have been calculated for  $\tau \in \mathbb{H}$ , but what happens for  $\tau \in \mathbb{H}_-$  ?

$$Z(S^2 \times_{\tau} S^1) = \sum_a |\mathcal{W}_a| \hat{Z}_a(M_3; q) \hat{Z}_a(M_3; q^{-1})$$

# $\hat{Z}_a(M_3)$ when $M_3$ not weakly negative

The 3-manifold invariants  $\hat{Z}_a(M_3; q)$  were defined for  $M_3$  weakly negative, but  $\hat{Z}_a(M_3; q^{-1})$ ?

[Gukov, Pei, Putrov, Vafa '17]

From

$$Z_{\text{CS}}(M_3; k) = \sum_{a,b} e^{2\pi i k \text{lk}(a,a)} \left[ S_{ab} \hat{Z}_b(M_3; \tau) \right]_{\tau \rightarrow 1/k}$$

&

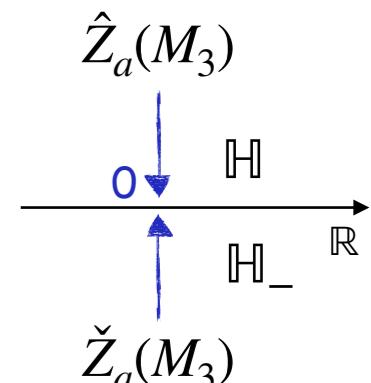
$$Z_{\text{CS}}(-M_3; k) = Z_{\text{CS}}(M_3; -k)$$

$k \rightarrow \infty$

expect

$$\hat{Z}_a(-M_3; q) = \hat{Z}_a(M_3; q^{-1}) \quad \clubsuit$$

but this means defining  $\hat{Z}_a(M_3)$  to be a convergent q-series both for  $|q| \leq 1$



!  $\hat{Z}_a(M_3)$  does not converge for  $|q| > 1$  as defined from  $M_3$  topological data

! need asymptotic agreement in radial lim; use quantum modularity to find companion  $\check{Z}_a(M_3)$

[Cheng, Chun, Ferrari, Gukov, Harrison '18], [Cheng, Ferrari, Sgroi '19] rank 1

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[Bringmann, Kaszian, Milas '17]

... relevant for [Cheng, Coman, Passaro, Sgroi, *to appear*]

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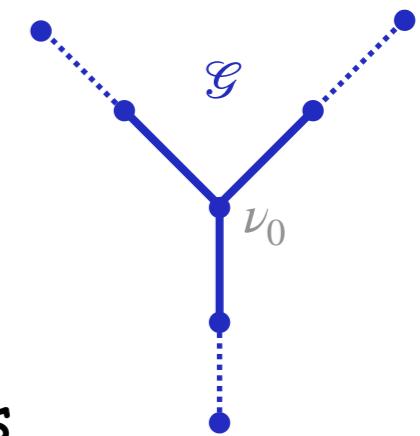
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Examples: characters of  $\mathfrak{g}$  Log-VOA's,  $\hat{Z}_a^G(M_3)$

Brieskorn sphere  $M_3(\mathcal{G}) = \Sigma(p_1, p_2, p_3)$  and  $G = SU(3)$



For negative definite plumbed  $M_3$  Seifert with 3 exceptional fibers

$\hat{Z}_a^{SU(3)}(M_3; q) \sim \sum_{\{s_1, s_2\}} (-1)^{l_s} F^{(s_1, s_2)}(q)$  with  $F^{(s_1, s_2)}(q)$  generalised  $A_2$  false  $\theta$ -functions, depth-2 QMF

[Cheng, Chun, Fegin, Ferrari, Gukov, Harrison, Passaro *upcoming*] [Cheng, Coman, Passaro, Sgroi, *to appear*]

doubly graded  $q$ -series; the topological data of  $M_3$  determines  $\{s_1, s_2\}$

$$F^{(s_1, s_2)}(q) = \sum_{w \in W} (-1)^{\ell(w)} \sum_{\substack{\vec{n} \in \Lambda \cap P^+ \\ \vec{n} \in w^{-1}(\vec{k}) + D\Lambda}} \min(n_1, n_2) q^{\frac{1}{2mD} |-\vec{s} + mw(\vec{n})|^2}$$

$$\text{“ } F(q) \xrightarrow[\text{companions}]{} \mathbb{E}(q) \text{ “}$$

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Some of the hidden detail

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$\frac{h}{k} \in \mathbb{Q}$

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$$K_{\zeta,j,k} \subset \{1, p_j p_k, p_i p_k\} \quad \mathbf{p}_{jk}^i = (p_j p_k, p_i(p_j + p_k)) \quad \zeta \in \{(1,1), (1,2), (2,1), (2,2)\}$$

$\curvearrowleft P$  linear operator

$$\theta_r^{1,p+K}(w) \sim \sum_{r' \bmod 2p} P_{r,r'}^{p+K} \theta_{p,r'}^1(w) \quad c_0 \mathcal{B}_r^{p+K_r}(\tau, z) \in \text{Span}_{\mathbb{Z}} \left[ (\theta_{3p,3r}^1)^*, (\theta_{3p,3r}^0)^* \right]$$

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✓ integrand knows about the lower rank companion

$$\hat{Z}_0^{SU(2)}(\tau) \sim \tilde{\theta}_{r^*}^{1,p+K}(\tau)$$

for  $M_3$  Brieskorn spheres

# Iterated Eichler integrals elsewhere

$$b_2^+ = 1$$

Topologically twisted  $\mathcal{N}=4$   $SU(N) / U(N)$  SYM theory on compact  $M_4$  (Vafa-Witten)

partition function  $Z_N$ , for  $G=SU(N)$ , is not modular under an  $S$ -transformation  
[Vafa, Witten '94] complexified gauge coupling  $\tau \rightarrow -1/\tau$   
for pure  $SU(2)$  SYM and  $M_4 = \mathbb{P}^2$

- modular anomaly is an integral of a MF; can be traded for a holomorphic anomaly  
[Minahan, Nemeschansky, Vafa, Warner '98] [Manschot '17]

by adding a non-holomorphic period integral to the partition function

- higher rank: modular transformation includes a shift by iterated integrals of  $\theta$ -series

[Manschot '17]

- holomorphic anomaly of  $Z_N$  factorises into partition functions at lower rank

[Minahan, Nemeschansky, Vafa, Warner '98] [Manschot '17]

$$\partial_{\bar{\tau}} Z_N \sim \sum_k k(N-k) Z_k Z_{N-k}$$

constrains  $Z_N$

- interpretation: the non-holomorphic contributions are generated by Q-exact terms due to boundaries of the moduli space

[Vafa, Witten '94] proposed, [Dabholkar, Putrov, Witten '20] verified by example

# What conclusions can be drawn

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✓ combinatorial structure  $\sim$  topological data

depth-2 QMF

## To do ...

- What happens for more general families of 3-manifolds
- Extract prediction for generic building blocks
- Explore links to the Log VOAs
- What insights can be obtained about  $T[M_3]$  from the quantum modularity of  $\hat{Z}(M_3)$

Thank you!