

Getting High On Gluing Orbifolds (Introduction)

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Plan For The Talks:

- JJH's Talk: Introduction to Ethan's Talk
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Based On:

Main Focus:

hep-th/2203.10102 w/ Cvetič, Hübner, Torres

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Background:

hep-th/1503.04806 w/ Del Zotto, Park, Rudelius

hep-th/2201.08372 w/ Del Zotto, Moscrop,
Meynet, Zhang

Physics Motivation

Main Aim:

- Use M-theory to Construct New QFTs
- Use M-theory to Study Old and New QFTs

“Geometric Engineering”

JJH Review Talks: <https://scgp.stonybrook.edu/archives/25133>

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Quantum Field Theory

A Universal Language Used By Theorists

Broadly Encompasses Many Physical Situations

- Subatomic Particles
- Cosmology
- Condensed Matter Systems

Many Applications To Pure Math As Well

In QFT...

Main Players:

- A Hilbert Space \mathcal{H} / \mathbb{C}
 \mathbb{C} -Linear Operators $\mathcal{O} : \mathcal{H} \rightarrow \mathcal{H}$
- Local Operators $\mathcal{O}(x)$
(supported at points $x \in \text{Spacetime}$)
- Line Operators $\mathcal{O}(L)$
(supported at lines $L \subset \text{Spacetime}$)

Locals & Lines

Local: 

Line: 

Higher-Form Symmetry

(For our purposes today, general enough...)

0-form Symm: $\mathcal{O}(x) \mapsto \mathcal{O}'(x)$ linear group action
on local operators

1-form Symm: $\mathcal{O}(L) \mapsto \mathcal{O}'(L)$ linear group action
on line operators

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Locals & Lines

Local: 

Line Ending on Local: 

Line Changing Via Local: 

2-Group

(For our purposes today, general enough...)

(see e.g. Kapustin Thorngren '13; Benini Cordova Hsin '18)

4-tuple: $(G_{0-form}, \mathcal{A}_{1-form}, \rho, P)$

$\text{Hom } \rho : G \rightarrow \text{Aut}(\mathcal{A})$

$P \in H^3(BG, (\mathcal{A})_\rho)$

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- Focus Today: Higher Symmetries
“Topological Data”

Philosophy

- Metric Data is Important (But Difficult)
- Topological Data Also Important (And Easier)
- Topology: Also Protected From Quantum Effects

What is M-Theory?

Full definition of M-theory: Unknown...

But at Long Distances, 11D supergravity

Key Objects: Graviton (metric) and “Branes”

	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
M2-Brane	×	×	×								
M5-Brane	×	×	×	×	×	×					

Building QFTs

Product Space: $\mathbb{R}^{D-1,1} \times X_{11-D}$

Physically, *WE WANT* Singularities on X !

QFT Limit (no Gravity) $\Rightarrow X$ Non-Compact

Examples: X_7 Local G_2 Space

X_6 Local Calabi-Yau threefold

X_4 Local Calabi-Yau twofold

Example: $\mathbb{C}^3/\mathbb{Z}_3$

Consider M-th on $\mathbb{R}^{4,1} \times \mathbb{C}^3/\mathbb{Z}_3$

Blowup: M-th on $\mathbb{R}^{4,1} \times \mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}^2}(-3)$

$\text{Vol}(\mathbb{P}^2) \rightarrow 0$ Limit:

Example of a “Non-Lagrangian”

5D Superconformal Field Theory

More Generally:

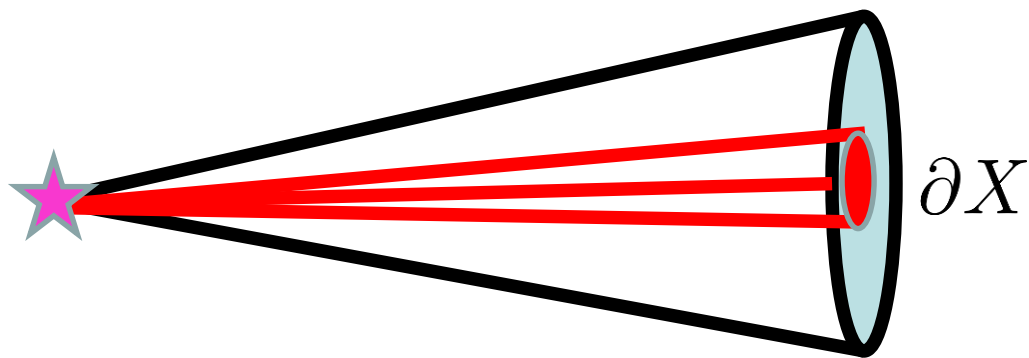
5D SCFTs via M-th on CY_3 canonical singularities

Objects in $\mathbb{C}^3/\mathbb{Z}_3$ Model

	$\mathbb{R}^{4,1}$					\mathbb{P}^2				$\mathcal{O}(-3)$	
	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
Particle	×					×	×				
“Defect ₁ ”	×									×	×
String	×	×				×	×	×	×		
“Defect ₂ ”	×	×				×	×			×	×

Definition: Defect Group

$$\mathbb{D} = \bigoplus_n \mathbb{D}^{(n)} \quad \mathbb{D}^{(n)} = \bigoplus_{\text{p-branes}} \left(\bigoplus_{p-k+1=n} \frac{H_k(X, \partial X)}{H_k(X)} \right)$$



Defect Group of $\mathbb{C}^3/\mathbb{Z}_3$

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From M2: $\mathbb{D}^{(1)} = \frac{H_2(X, \partial X)}{H_2(X)} \simeq H_1(S^5/\mathbb{Z}_3) \simeq \mathbb{Z}_3^{(1)}$
“electric”

From M5: $\mathbb{D}^{(2)} = \frac{H_4(X, \partial X)}{H_4(X)} \simeq H_3(S^5/\mathbb{Z}_3) \simeq \mathbb{Z}_3^{(2)}$
“magnetic”

\mathbb{D} and Higher Symmetries

Our Defects are acted on by higher-form symms.

Split \mathbb{D} to elec. and mag. Polarization

$$\Rightarrow \mathcal{A}^{\text{elec}} \subset \mathbb{D}^\vee \text{ (dual: } \mathbb{D}^\vee = \text{Hom}(\mathbb{D} \rightarrow U(1)))$$

Aharony Witten '98; Belov Moore '05 '06; Kapustin Saulina '10; Tachikawa '14;

Del Zotto JJH Park Rudelius '15; Garcia Etxebarria Heidenreich Regalado '19;

Morrison Schafer-Nameki Willett '20; Albertini Del Zotto Garcia-Etxebarria Hosseini '20

Higher-Form Symmetry

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Group = $G_{0\text{-form}}$ can be non-abelian

1-form Symm: $\mathcal{O}(L) \mapsto \mathcal{O}'(L)$ linear group action
on line operators

Group = $\mathcal{A}_{1\text{-form}}$ always abelian

Main Claim

Cvetic JJH Hubner Torres '22

related: Del Zotto Garcia-Etxebarria Schafer-Nameki '22

Compute 0-form, 1-form, 2-group via topology

$$Z_{0\text{-Form}}: 0 \rightarrow \mathcal{C} \rightarrow Z_{\tilde{G}} \rightarrow Z_G \rightarrow 0$$

$$1\text{-Form}: 0 \rightarrow \mathcal{A} \rightarrow \tilde{\mathcal{A}} \rightarrow \mathcal{C} \rightarrow 0$$

$$2\text{-group}: 0 \rightarrow \mathcal{A} \rightarrow \tilde{\mathcal{A}} \rightarrow Z_{\tilde{G}} \rightarrow Z_G \rightarrow 0$$

Extension problem: $H^3(BZ_G, \mathcal{A})$

$\pi_1(S^5/\Gamma)$ Approach to $\mathbb{D}_{\text{elec}}^{(1)}$

Del Zotto JJH Moscrop Nadir Maynet Zhang '22

$$\mathbb{D}_{\text{elec}}^{(1)} = \text{Ab}[\pi_1(S^5/\Gamma_{SU(3)})]$$

Consider $X = \mathbb{C}^3/\Gamma_{SU(3)}$, local CY_3

$$\mathbb{D}_{\text{elec}}^{(1)} = \frac{H_2(X, \partial X)}{H_2(X)}$$

$$= H_1(\partial X)$$

$$= \text{Ab}[\pi_1(S^5/\Gamma_{SU(3)})]$$

Works even if $\Gamma_{SU(3)}$ Is NOT fixed pt. free

Computing $\pi_1(S^5/\Gamma)$

Armstrong 1968: $\pi_1(S^5/\Gamma) = \Gamma/N_{\text{fixed}}$

N_{fixed} = Normal Subgroup Gen^{ed} by elts
which leave some points of S^5 fixed

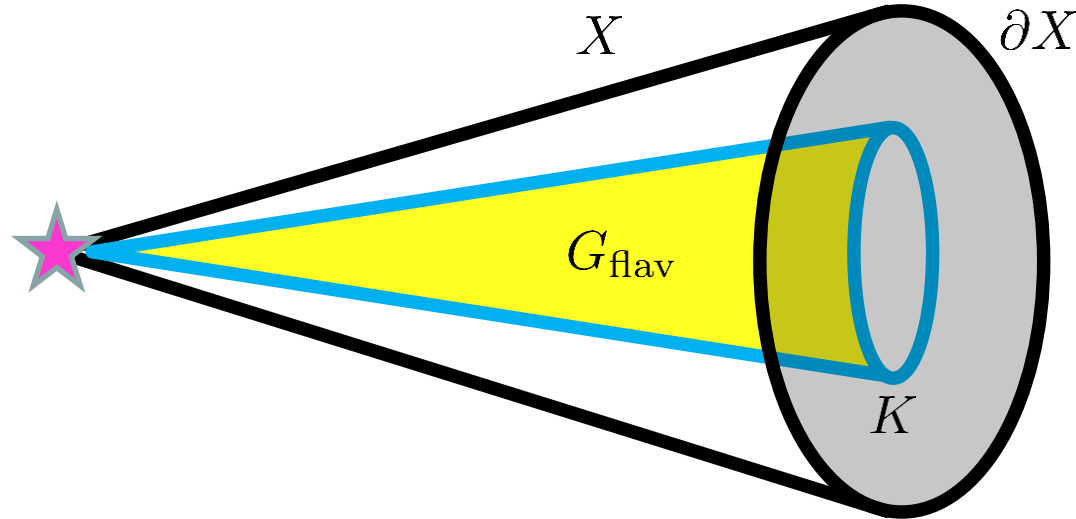
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N_{fixed} Locus: Locations of “Flavor 6-Branes”

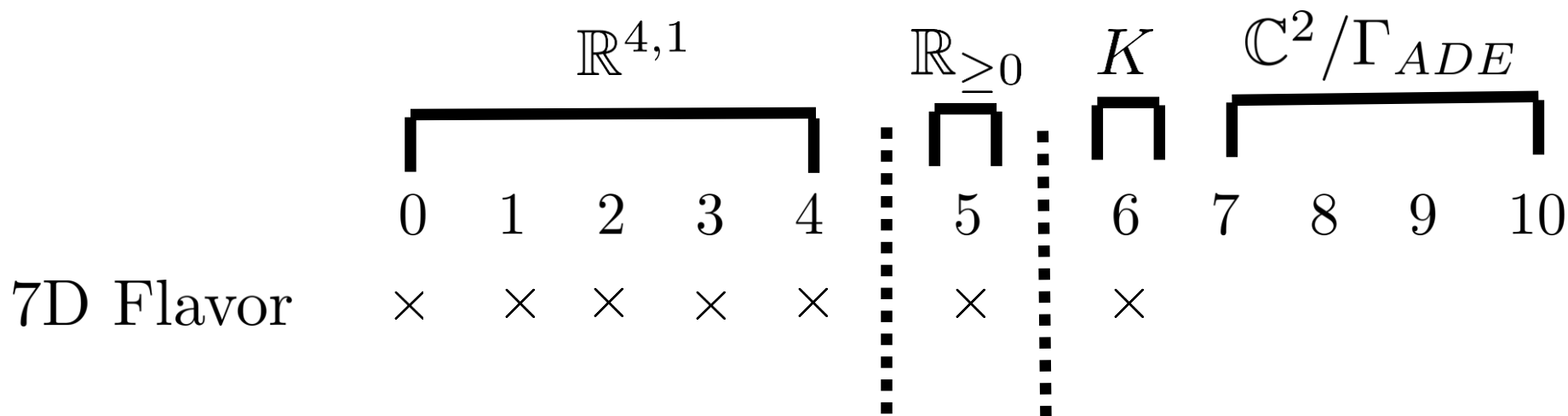
Singularities on ∂X

Often Interpretable as “Flavor Branes”



Flavor Branes (in M-theory)

Focus: $\mathbb{C}^2/\Gamma_{ADE}$ singularity \Rightarrow 7D Gauge Theory
 ¿Gauge Group?



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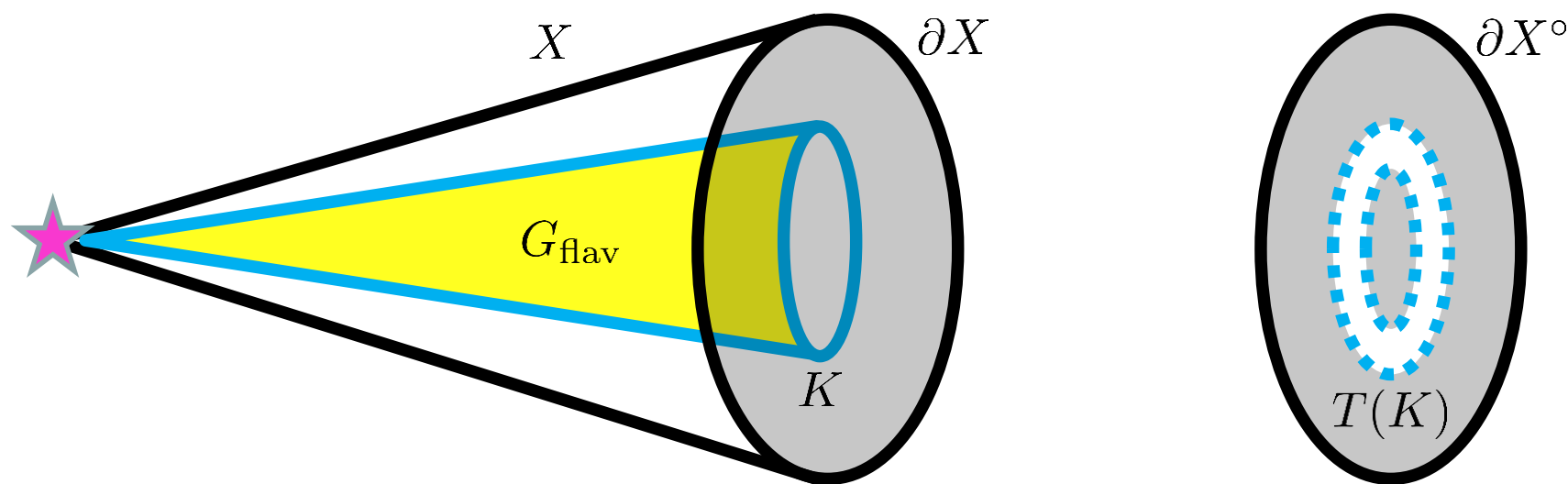
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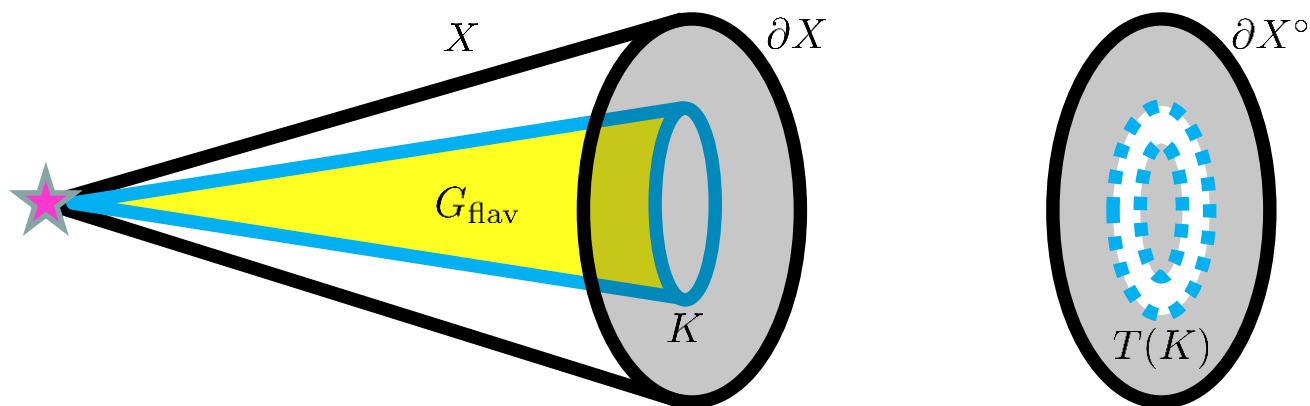
$$2\text{-group}: 0 \rightarrow \mathcal{A} \rightarrow \tilde{\mathcal{A}} \rightarrow Z_{\tilde{G}} \rightarrow Z_G \rightarrow 0$$

Extension problem: $H^3(BZ_G, \mathcal{A})$

“Boundary of Boundary”



Mayer-Vietoris



$$\begin{array}{c} \xrightarrow{\partial_{k+1}} H_k(\partial X^\circ \cap T(K)) \xrightarrow{\iota_k} H_k(\partial X^\circ) \oplus H_k(T(K)) \rightarrow H_k(\partial X) \\ \qquad\qquad\qquad \partial_k \\ \searrow \\ H_{k-1}(\partial X^\circ \cap T(K)) \xrightarrow{\iota_{k-1}} H_{k-1}(\partial X^\circ) \oplus H_{k-1}(T(K)) \rightarrow \dots \end{array}$$

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