

5D SCFT from \mathbb{C}^3/Γ (and more*)

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Main results

Quick tour of 5D SCFT

\mathbb{C}^3/Γ singularities

Example (Physics)

An application: 1-form symmetry

Other \mathbb{C}^3 orbifolds

*Bridging 5D and 4D

*A class of TCS G_2

*Evidences of the conjectured duality

BPS spectrum

$SL(2, \mathbb{Z})$ transformation

*Outlook

Main results

- ▶ Read physical data of 5D SCFT from the finite algebra $\Gamma \subset SU(3)$ using 3D McKay correspondence
 - ▶ Class of theories with exceptional flavor algebra
 - ▶ Calculation of 1-form symmetry
 - ▶ (Brane-web construction)
- ▶ *Relate D3-brane moduli with moduli in a class of G_2 -manifolds
 - ▶ Looking at $SL(2, \mathbb{Z})$ transformation in the geometry
 - ▶ Singular limit of M-theory (on certain class of G_2) leads to SCFT dual to D3-brane on top of 7-branes

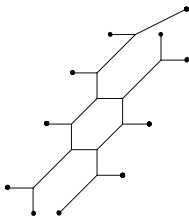
5D SCFT

1. M-theory on threefold canonical singularity X [Intrilligator, Morrison, Seiberg], [Xie, Yau], [Jefferson, Katz, Kim, Vafa], [Apruzzi, Lawrie, Lin, Schäfer-Nameki, Wang], [Lakshya], [Closset, Schäfer-Nameki, Wang], [Martone, Zafrir], ...

- ▶ Coulomb branch: resolution $\tilde{X} \rightarrow X$
- ▶ $U(1)$ gauge field on CB: compact 4-cycle $S_i \subset \tilde{X}$
- ▶ rank $r = \#$ of S_i
- ▶ flavor rank $f = \#$ of non-compact 4-cycles $D_\alpha \subset \tilde{X}$
- ▶ 5D vector/hypermultiplets: M2 wrapping compact 2-cycles
- ▶ 5D prepotential: triple intersections on \tilde{X}
- ▶ Higgs branch: a bit tricky...

5D SCFT

2. Brane web in IIB [Hanany, Witten], [DeWolfe, Hauer, Iqbal, Barton], ...



- ▶ CB and HB: [Benini, Benvenuti, Tachikawa], [Kim, Yagi], ...
- ▶ Map X to brane web: no general method

\mathbb{C}^3/Γ singularities

We will focus on $X = \mathbb{C}^3/\Gamma$

Γ is a finite subgroup of $SU(3)$: has been fully classified [Miller, Blichfeldt, Dickson], [Yau, Yau, Yu], [Roan], ...

At least one crepant resolution exists for all Γ .

Why these singularities?

Physics: Rich 5D theories

\mathbb{C}^3/Γ singularities

Example 1: $\Gamma = \mathbb{Z}_N \times \mathbb{Z}_N$, $\widetilde{\mathbb{C}^3/\Gamma}$ is toric, 5D T_N theory [Eckhard, Schäfer-Nameki, Wang]

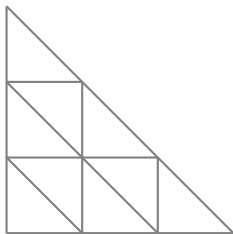


Figure: $\frac{\mathbb{C}^3}{\mathbb{Z}_3 \times \mathbb{Z}_3}$

\mathbb{C}^3/Γ singularities

Example 2: $\Gamma = \mathbb{Z}_3$, generator is $\frac{1}{3}(1, 1, 1)$ (we will explain this notation in a moment), $\widetilde{\mathbb{C}^3}/\Gamma$ is toric, 5D E_0 theory [Closet, Del Zotto, Saxena]



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

\mathbb{C}^3/Γ singularities

Why these singularities?

Math: McKay correspondence in n -dims [Reid]

Finite subgroup $\Gamma \subset SL(n)$:

- ▶ Conjugacy class \mathfrak{g}_i of $\Gamma \longleftrightarrow$ cycle C_i in $\widetilde{\mathbb{C}^n}/\Gamma$ (Recall our dictionary!)
- ▶ Irrep ρ_i of $\Gamma \longleftrightarrow$ rank-dim(ρ_i) vector bundle V_i over $\widetilde{\mathbb{C}^n}/\Gamma$

2D McKay correspondence

$\Gamma \subset SU(2)$ is ADE classified

Non-trivial $\mathfrak{g}_i \longleftrightarrow$ exceptional 2-cycle $C_i \subset \widetilde{\mathbb{C}^2/\Gamma}$

$\rho_i \otimes \pi = \bigoplus_j a_{ij} \rho_j \longleftrightarrow a_{ij}$ arrows from ρ_i to ρ_j in the McKay quiver

3D McKay correspondence [Ito], [Ito, Reid], [Ito, Nakajima]

We can write:

$$g \in \mathfrak{g} \longrightarrow \\ g \stackrel{\text{diag}}{=} \left(e^{\frac{2\pi i}{k}a}, e^{\frac{2\pi i}{k}b}, e^{\frac{2\pi i}{k}c} \right) := \frac{1}{r}(a, b, c), \quad g^k = 1, \quad \forall g \in \mathfrak{g}$$

$$\text{age}(\mathfrak{g}) := \frac{1}{k}(a + b + c)$$

Theorem 1 [Ito, Reid]:

$\text{age}(\mathfrak{g}) = 1 \rightarrow D_{\mathfrak{g}}$ is an exceptional divisor of $\widetilde{\mathbb{C}^3/\Gamma} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}^3/\Gamma$

Translate to physics: $r + f = |\Gamma_1|$

3D McKay correspondence

Theorem 2 [Ito, Reid]: $\text{age}(\mathfrak{g}) = 2 \rightarrow D_{\mathfrak{g}}$ is dual to compactly based $H_c^2(\widetilde{\mathbb{C}^3/\Gamma})$

Translate to physics: $r = |\Gamma_2|$

Theorem 3 [Ito], [Dixon, Harvey, Vafa, Witten]:

$$\chi(\widetilde{\mathbb{C}^3/\Gamma}) = \chi(\mathbb{C}^3/\Gamma) = \#\mathfrak{g}$$

Translate to physics: $\chi(\widetilde{\mathbb{C}^3/\Gamma}) = 1 + |\Gamma_1| + |\Gamma_2| = 1 + f + 2r$

Example 2110.14441 Warning: Lot of physics ahead

$$\mathbb{C}^3 / \Delta(3n^2) = \frac{\mathbb{C}^3}{\mathbb{Z}_n \times \mathbb{Z}_n} / \mathbb{Z}_3$$

Generators:

$$M_1 = \begin{pmatrix} \omega & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \omega^{-1} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}, M_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \omega & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \omega^{-1} \end{pmatrix}, T = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

M-theory on $\frac{\mathbb{C}^3}{\mathbb{Z}_n \times \mathbb{Z}_n} \rightarrow T_n$ -theory [Gaiotto], [Gaiotto, Maldacena], [Benini, Benvenuti, Tachikawa], [Eckhard, Schäfer-Nameki, Wang],

...

$$r = (n-1)(n-2)/2, G_F = SU(n)^3$$

(Note: the above physical data can be read off from 3D McKay correspondence as well [2110.15129](#))

Example

Motivation

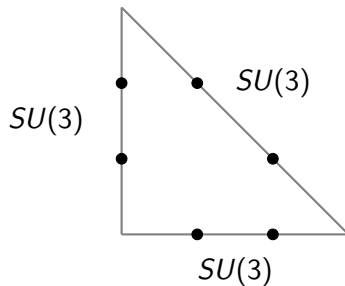


Figure: T_3 -theory

Extra \mathbb{Z}_3 symmetry permutes three $SU(n)$

Example

Convenient to consider CB of T_n -theory

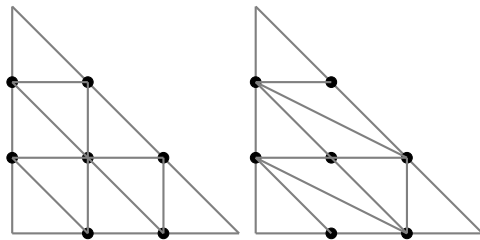
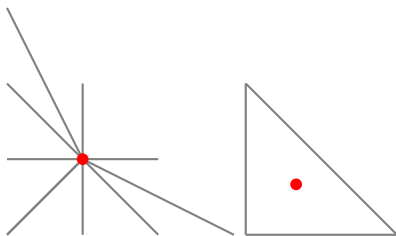


Figure: \mathbb{Z}_3 symmetric and asymmetric resolutions

Consider only \mathbb{Z}_3 -invariant CB and gauge the \mathbb{Z}_3

Example

Key difference: $3|n$ vs. $3 \nmid n$



\Rightarrow fixed divisor vs. fixed point

\Rightarrow extra $3 \times A_2$ vs. extra A_2 [Ito]

Example

From 3D McKay correspondence of $\Delta(3n^2)$:

$$|\Gamma_0| = 1$$

$$\mathrm{rk}_G(T_{\Delta(3n^2)}) = |\Gamma_2| = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{6}(n^2 - 3n + 2), & 3 \nmid n \\ \frac{1}{6}(n^2 - 3n + 6), & 3 | n \end{cases}, \quad (1)$$

$$\mathrm{rk}_F(T_{\Delta(3n^2)}) = |\Gamma_1| - |\Gamma_2| = \begin{cases} n + 1, & 3 \nmid n \\ n + 5, & 3 | n \end{cases}. \quad (2)$$

Example

$\mathbb{C}^3/\Delta(3n^2)$ as hypersurface in \mathbb{C}^4 :

$$-16w^3z^n + 24wxz^n + 24yz^n + 72z^{2n} + 3w^2x^2 - 3w^4x - 4w^3y + w^6 + 4wxy - x^3 + 8y^2 = 0$$

$$SU(n)^3 \xrightarrow{\text{gauge}} SU(n) \times G$$

$SU(n)$ is from codim-2 singularity of the hypersurface which is part of G_F [Xie, Yau]

$$G \sim SU(3)^3, 3|n, \text{ rings a bell? } SU(3)^3 \rightarrow E_6$$

$$G \sim SU(3), 3 \nmid n$$

Blow-up:

$$(y, x, w, z) \rightarrow (\delta_1^3 y, \delta_1^2 x, \delta_1 w, \delta_1 z),$$

$$(y, x, w, \delta_i) \rightarrow (\delta_{i+1}^3 y, \delta_{i+1}^2 x, \delta_{i+1} w, \delta_{i+1} \delta_i), \quad i = 1, \dots, k-1,$$

$$k = n/3$$

Example

The most interesting exceptional divisor is $S_k := \{\delta_k = 0\}$: degree 6 equation in $\mathbb{P}^{3,2,1,1}$ with 4 A_2 singularities

gdP_8 of the type $4A_2 \hookrightarrow E_8$ [Derenthal] \Rightarrow 5D rank-1 E_8 if $n = 3$

What if $n > 3$?

1 A_2 is the intersection of S_k and another compact divisor

3 A_2 's are the intersections of S_k and non-compact divisors

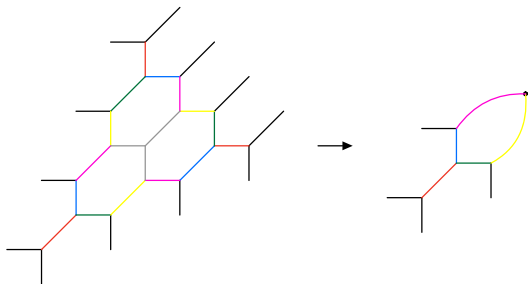
\Rightarrow

- ▶ Gauging the compact A_2 and couple it to the fields from other compact exceptional divisors
- ▶ Left with E_6 flavor symmetry

Example

Conclusion: $G_F = SU(n) \times E_6$ when $3|n$, $G_F = SU(n) \times SU(3)$ when $3 \nmid n$.

Evidences are also collected via brane web construction
[\[2110.14441\]](#)



An application: Electric 1-form symmetry

Recipe given in [Morrison, Schäfer-Nameki, Willett] Intersection matrix $\mathcal{M}_{ij} = S_i \cdot C_j$

\mathcal{M} is $r \times (r + f)$ matrix

$U(1)^r$ 1-form symmetry in the presence of M2-brane wrapping C_i 's broken to:

Electric 1-form symmetry: $\Gamma_e^{(1)} = \mathbb{Z}^r / \mathcal{M}\mathbb{Z}^{r+f}$

$\mathcal{M} = SDT$ where $D = \begin{pmatrix} D' & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$, $D = \text{diag}(\alpha_1, \alpha_2, \dots, \alpha_r)$ **Smith normal form**

$$\Rightarrow \Gamma_e^{(1)} = \bigoplus_{i=1}^r \mathbb{Z} / \alpha_i \mathbb{Z}$$

An application: Electric 1-form symmetry

Recall the McKay quiver: $\rho_i \otimes \pi = \bigoplus_j a_{ji} \rho_j$

$$A_{ij} := a_{ji} - a_{ij}$$

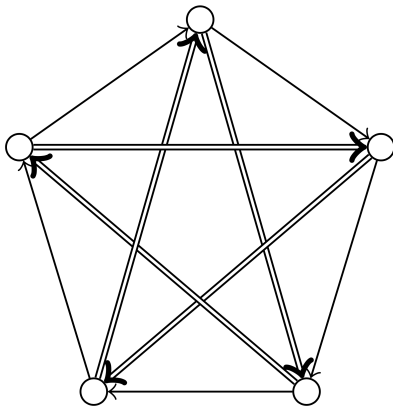
Smith normal form: $A_{ij} = SD_A T$

$$D_A = \text{diag}(\alpha_1, \alpha_1, \alpha_2, \alpha_2, \dots, \alpha_r, \alpha_r, 0, \dots, 0)$$

\Rightarrow Read off electric 1-form symmetries from McKay quiver

An application: Electric 1-form symmetry

Example: $\Gamma = \mathbb{Z}_5 = \langle \frac{1}{5}(2, 2, 1) \rangle$



An application: Electric 1-form symmetry

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & 2 & -2 & -1 \\ -1 & 0 & 1 & 2 & -2 \\ -2 & -1 & 0 & 1 & 2 \\ 2 & -2 & -1 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 2 & -2 & -1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\Rightarrow D_A = \text{diag}(5, 5, 1, 1, 0)$$

$$\Rightarrow \Gamma_e^{(1)} = \mathbb{Z}_5$$

Can also be checked via toric geometry construction in these Abelian cases

Other \mathbb{C}^3 orbifolds

Geometry: hypersurface/complete intersection equations \rightarrow codim-2 ADE singularities [2110.15129]

Algebra: 3D McKay correspondence \rightarrow conjugacy classes to exceptional divisors

Extra: brane web

CB is more than just G and G_F

Studying CB requires a resolution, which is highly technical and case dependent

HB?

- ▶ Brane web is a good tool but is hard to construct for most geometries.
- ▶ Deformation theory of non-isolated singularities?

5D to 4D

M-theory on $X \times S^1 \leftrightarrow$ IIA on $X \leftrightarrow$ IIB on \check{X}



D3 probing 7-branes [Hori, Iqbal, Vafa]

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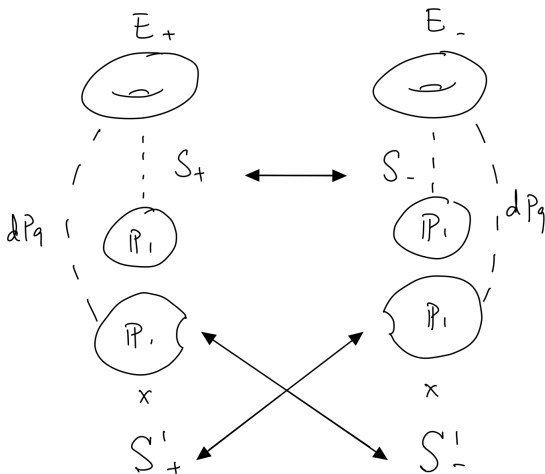
Is there a setup where both M-theory compactification and the physics of 3/7 system play important roles?

So that we could study $SL(2, \mathbb{Z})$ on both sides.

A special class of TCS G_2 [Corti, Haskins, Nordström, Pacini], [Braun,

Schäfer-Nameki]

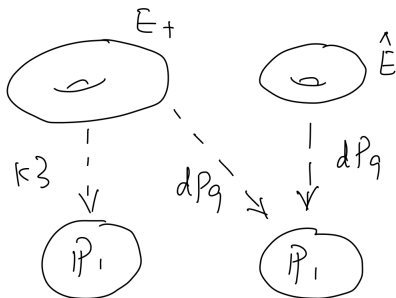
M-theory on



The K3 fiber is itself elliptically fibered.

A special class of TCS G_2

Conjectured F-theory dual w/o G_4 -flux



+ 12 D3-branes

\Rightarrow D3-brane probing 7-brane background ($\mathcal{N} = 1$)

A special class of TCS G_2

$$Z_+ := -y^2 + x^3 + f_{8,4}(z, \hat{z})x + g_{12,6}(z, \hat{z})$$

$$Z_- := -y^2 + x^3 + z_1^4 z_2^4 f_{0,4}(z, \hat{z})x + z_1^5 z_2^5 g_{2,6}(z, \hat{z})$$

$\Rightarrow E_8 \times E_8$ on $z_1 = 0$ and $z_2 = 0$

Worsen over 12 points on $\widehat{\mathbb{P}^1}$ to $E_8 - I_1$

$\Rightarrow K3$ degenerates to $dP_{9-n} \cup_E dP_{9+n}$ [Kulikov]

Match the moduli

$$H^3(X, \mathbb{Z}) = \mathbb{Z}[S] \oplus \Gamma^{3,19} / (N_+ + N_-) \oplus (N_- \cap T_+) \oplus (N_+ \cap T_-) \\ \oplus H^3(Z_+) \oplus K_+ \oplus H^3(Z_-) \oplus K_- \quad (3)$$

(where $K_{\pm} := \ker(\rho_{\pm})/[S_{\pm}]$ and $\rho_{\pm} : H^2(Z_{\pm}, \mathbb{Z}) \rightarrow H^2(S_{\pm}, \mathbb{Z})$)

Conjecture:

<i>D3</i> moduli	Multiplet	Z_- moduli
ϕ_P	hyper	$H^{1,2}(Z_-) \oplus H^{2,1}(Z_-)$
ϕ_T	vector	K_-

0^{th} order check 1: $|K_-| = 12$, matching number of $D3$'s

Simplify the physics

Physics simplifies in the Kovalev limit: [Guio, Jockers, Klemm, Yeh]

$\mathcal{N} = 2$ 3/7 system \longleftrightarrow M-theory on $Z_-/S_- \times S^1 \sim X \times S^1$
 \longleftrightarrow IIA on X + KK modes

0^{th} order check 2: $K_- \subset H^{1,1}(X)$, matching basic IIA fact

ϵ^{th} order check: 2 real DOF for each of the 12 E_8-I_1 points
 $\xrightarrow{\text{complexify}}$ 12+12 complex DOF \subset 20+20 of $H^{1,2}(Z_-) \oplus H^{2,1}(Z_-)$

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{\text{dist}(D3,7\text{-branes}) = \text{vol}(dP_{9-n})}$$

1st order check: BPS spectrum

Example: $Z_+ := -y^2 + x^3 + z_1^4 f_{4,4}(z, \hat{z})x + z_1^5 g_{7,6}(z, \hat{z})$

D3-brane probing $E_8 (+I_1^{(KK)}) \longleftrightarrow$ M-theory on $X_{dP_8} \times S^1$
 \Rightarrow Junctions \longleftrightarrow Cycles

MN E_8 theory in 5D-4D context [[Martone, Zafrir](#)], [[Closset, Magureanu](#)]

1st order check: matching electric BPS states [[Distler, Martone, Neitzke](#)], [[Apruzzi, Lawrie, Lin, Schäfer-Nameki, Wang](#)]

Reps	Junctions $(n_{(p,q)}, g_J)$	2-cycles $C (n_{C,C}, g_C)$
248	$(1_{(1,0)}, 0)$	$(-1, 0)$
3875	$(2_{(1,0)}, 0)$	$(0, 0)$
...

$$C \subset dP_{9-n} \sim dP_8$$

Higher order check: $SL(2, \mathbb{Z})$ transformation on both sides

([Hauer, Iqbal] for dP_9 in particular)

The crucial map, **coarse** version:

(p, q) -cycle (junction) \longleftrightarrow 2- and 4-cycles in dP_n

3/7 system: (p, q) -cycle in $H^1(E)$ experiences monodromy

\longleftrightarrow

dP_n : “Exchange” among 2- and 4-cycles

$SL(2, \mathbb{Z})$ transformation on both sides

The crucial map, **finer** version:

Junctions \longleftrightarrow Sheaves on dP_n

$$\begin{array}{ccc} J \in H^2(Y, E, \mathbb{Z}) & \xrightarrow{a(J)} & H^1(E, \mathbb{Z}) \\ \uparrow \text{mirror} & \nearrow & (\text{deg}(i^* \mathcal{F}), \text{rk}(i^* \mathcal{F})) \\ K_{\text{num}}(dP_n) & & \end{array}$$

Y is an elliptic fibration over the disk Δ with 7-branes,
 $E = \pi^{-1}(p)$ where p is the D3-brane position on Δ

\Rightarrow

$SL(2, \mathbb{Z})$ around all 7-branes $\longleftrightarrow \otimes \omega_{dP_n}$

Outlook

Ultimate goal: What is the incarnation of $SL(2, \mathbb{Z})$ in G_2 ?

- ▶ 3/7 system is a nice playground
- ▶ “Lift” of $\otimes \omega_{dP_n}$?
- ▶ More general G_2
- ▶ ...

Thank you!