

S-folds and holographic RG flows on the D3-brane

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See recent works by: Arav, Bobev, Cheung, Gauntlett, Gautason, Giambrone, Malek, Pilch, Roberts, Rosen, Samtleben, Suh, Trigiante and van Muiden.



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Outlook

- Electric-magnetic duality in maximal supergravity
- S-folds in 4D
- S-folds in 10D
- Holographic RG-flows on the D3-brane
- Concluding remarks



Electric-magnetic duality in maximal supergravity

N=8 supergravity in 4D

- SUGRA : metric + 8 gravitini + 28 vectors + 56 dilatini + 70 scalars
 (s = 2) (s = 3/2) (s = 1) (s = 1/2) (s = 0)

Ungauged (abelian) supergravity: Reduction of M-theory on a *torus* T^7

down to 4D produces $N = 8$ supergravity with $G = U(1)^{28}$

[$E_{7(7)}$ symmetry]

[Cremmer, Julia '79]

Gauged (non-abelian) supergravity:

❖ M-theory on S^7 produces $N = 8$ supergravity with $G = SO(8)$ [de Wit, Nicolai '82]

❖ Type IIA on S^6 produces $N = 8$ supergravity with $G = ISO(7) = SO(7) \ltimes \mathbb{R}^7$ [Hull '84]

❖ Type IIB on $\mathbb{R} \times S^5$ produces $N = 8$ supergravity with $G = [SO(1, 1) \times SO(6)] \ltimes \mathbb{R}^{12}$

[Inverso, Samtleben, Trigiante '16]

* These supergravities believed to be **unique** for 30 years...

Electric-magnetic deformations

- Uniqueness historically inherited from the connection with NH geometries of branes and SCFT's

Type IIB : $\text{AdS}_5 \times S^5$ (D3-brane \sim N=4 SYM in 4d) [Maldacena '97]

M-theory : $\text{AdS}_4 \times S^7$ (M2-brane \sim ABJM theory in 3d)

[Aharony, Bergman, Jafferis, Maldacena '08]

- N=8 supergravity in 4D admits a **deformation parameter** c yielding **inequivalent** theories. It is an **electric/magnetic** deformation

$$D = \partial - g (A^{\text{elec}} - c \tilde{A}_{\text{mag}})$$

g = 4D gauge coupling
 c = deformation param.

[Dall'Agata, Inverso, Trigiante '12]

- There are two generic situations :

1) Family of $\text{SO}(8)_c$ theories : $c = [0, \sqrt{2} - 1]$ is a continuous parameter

2) Family of $\text{CSO}(p,q,r)_c$ theories : $c = 0$ or 1 is an (on/off) parameter

[Dall'Agata, Inverso, Marrani '14]

The questions arise:

- Does such an electric / magnetic deformation of 4D maximal supergravity enjoy a string / M-theory origin, or is it just a 4D feature ?

- For deformed 4D supergravities with supersymmetric AdS_4 vacua, are these $\text{AdS}_4/\text{CFT}_3$ -dual to any identifiable 3d CFT ?

M-theory

electric / magnetic
deformation



higher-dimensional
origin



Holographic
AdS₄/CFT₃ dual ?



Obstruction for $SO(8)_c$, *cf.* [de Wit, Nicolai '13]

[Lee, Strickland-Constable, Waldram '15]

(massive) Type IIA

electric/magnetic
deformation



higher-dimensional
origin



Holographic
AdS₄/CFT₃ dual ?



$$g c = \hat{F}_{(0)} = k/(2\pi\ell_s)$$

[AG, Jafferis, Varela '15]

[AG, Varela '15]

[AG, Tarrío, Varela '16, '19]

[AG, Tarrío & AG '17]

Type IIB

electric / magnetic
deformation



higher-dimensional
origin



Holographic
AdS₄/CFT₃ dual ?



[this talk]

[$SO(1,1) \times SO(6)$] $\times \mathbb{R}^{12}$ supergravity

- ❖ **Higher-dimensional** origin as type IIB on \mathbb{R} (or S^1) $\times S^5$
 - [Dall'Agata, Inverso '11]
 - [Inverso, Samtleben, Trigiante '16]

- ❖ New AdS_4 vacuum with $N=4$ & $SO(4)_R$ symmetry
 - [Gallerati, Samtleben, Trigiante '14]

- ❖ **Holographic expectation:** $N=4$ S-fold CFT_3
 - [Hull, (Çatal-Özer) '04, ('03)]
 - [Gaiotto, Witten '08]
 - [Assel, Tomasiello '18 ($N = 3, 4$)]
 - [Garozzo, Lo Monaco, Mekareeya '18 '19]

- Singular Janus solutions : $AdS_4 \times \mathbb{R} \times M_5$
 - [Bak, Gutperle, Hirano '03 ($N = 0$)]
 - [Clark, Freedman, Karch, Schnabl '04]
 - [D'Hoker, Ester, Gutperle '07, '07 ($N = 4$)]
 - [Inverso, Samtleben, Trigiante '16]
 - [Bobev, Gautason, Pilch, Suh, van Muiden '19, '20 (in 5D)]

- ❖ Superconformal Janus interfaces in $N=4$ SYM_4
 - [D'Hoker, Ester, Gutperle '06 ($N = 1, 2, 4$)]

$N=4$

$N=2$ & $SU(2)$

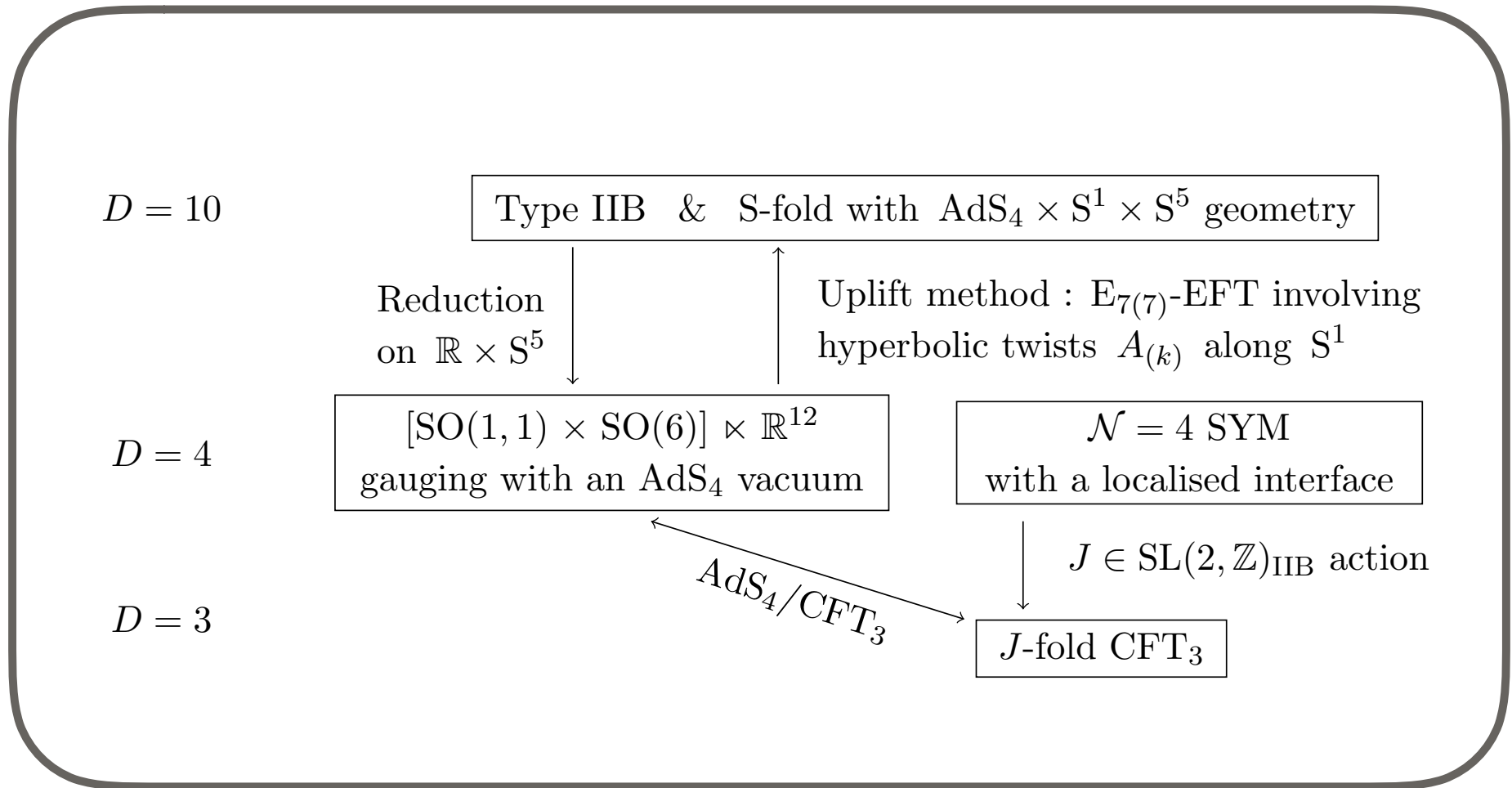
$N=1$ & $SU(3)$

$N=0$ & $SO(6)$

Question : Holographic duals for $N = 0, 1, 2$ S-fold CFT_3 ?

[**largest flavour symmetry**]

The picture...





S-folds in 4D

A truncation : \mathbb{Z}_2^3 invariant sector

[AG, Sterckx, Trigiante '20]

- **Truncation** : Retaining the fields and couplings which are invariant (singlets) under a \mathbb{Z}_2^3 action \Rightarrow **N = 1 supergravity coupled to 7 chiral multiplets z_i**

$$z_i = -\chi_i + i y_i \quad (y_i > 0)$$

- **The model** :

[upper half-plane]

$$K = - \sum_{i=1}^7 \log[-i(z_i - \bar{z}_i)]$$

$$W = 2g [z_1 z_5 z_6 + z_2 z_4 z_6 + z_3 z_4 z_5 + (z_1 z_4 + z_2 z_5 + z_3 z_6) z_7] + 2g c (1 - z_4 z_5 z_6 z_7)$$

[dyonic gauging]

- **AdS₄ vacua** :

N=4 & SO(4)_R

N=2 & SU(2) × U(1)_R

N=1 & SU(3)

N=0 & SO(6)

\Rightarrow Most symmetric AdS₄ vacua within **multi-parametric families !!**

N=0 family of AdS₄ vacua with U(1)³ symmetry

[AG, Sterckx, Trigiante '20]

- Location : [3 free parameters]

$$z_{1,2,3} = c \left(-\chi_{1,2,3} + i \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \right) \quad \text{and} \quad z_4 = z_5 = z_6 = z_7 = i$$

- AdS₄ radius $L^2 = -3/V_0$ & scalar mass spectrum :

[BF unstable]

$$V_0 = -2\sqrt{2}g^2c^{-1}$$

$$\begin{aligned} m^2L^2 = & 6(\times 2), \quad -3(\times 2), \quad 0(\times 28), \\ & -\frac{3}{4} + \frac{3}{2}\chi^2(\times 2), \\ & -\frac{3}{4} + \frac{3}{2}(\chi - 2\chi_i)^2(\times 2) \quad i = 1, 2, 3, \\ & -\frac{3}{4} + \frac{3}{2}\chi_i^2(\times 4) \quad i = 1, 2, 3, \\ & -3 + 6\chi_i^2(\times 2) \quad i = 1, 2, 3, \\ & -3 + \frac{3}{2}(\chi_i \pm \chi_j)^2(\times 2) \quad i < j, \end{aligned}$$

- Flavour symmetry enhancements :

$$\begin{aligned} \text{U}(1)^3 & \rightarrow \text{SU}(2) \times \text{U}(1)^2 \rightarrow \text{SU}(3) \times \text{U}(1) \rightarrow \text{SO}(6) \\ & \chi_i = \chi_j \quad \chi_1 = \chi_2 = \chi_3 \quad \chi_{1,2,3} = 0 \end{aligned}$$

N=1 family of AdS₄ vacua with U(1)² symmetry

[AG, Sterckx, Trigiante '20]

- Location : [2 free parameters : $\sum_{i=1}^3 \chi_i = 0$]

$$z_{1,2,3} = c \left(-\chi_{1,2,3} + i \frac{\sqrt{5}}{3} \right) \quad \text{and} \quad z_4 = z_5 = z_6 = z_7 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{6}} (1 + i\sqrt{5})$$

- AdS₄ radius $L^2 = -3/V_0$ & scalar mass spectrum :

$$V_0 = -\frac{162}{25\sqrt{5}} g^2 c^{-1}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 m^2 L^2 = & 0(\times 28), \quad 4 \pm \sqrt{6}(\times 2), \quad -2(\times 2), \\
 & -\frac{14}{9} + 5\chi_i^2 \pm \frac{1}{3} \sqrt{4 + 45\chi_i^2}(\times 2) \quad i = 1, 2, 3, \\
 & -\frac{14}{9} + \frac{5}{4}\chi_i^2 \pm \frac{1}{6} \sqrt{16 + 45\chi_i^2}(\times 2) \quad i = 1, 2, 3, \\
 & \frac{7}{9} + \frac{5}{4}\chi_i^2(\times 2) \quad i = 1, 2, 3, \\
 & -2 + \frac{5}{4}(\chi_i - \chi_j)^2(\times 2) \quad i < j,
 \end{aligned}$$

- Flavour symmetry enhancements :

$$\mathbf{U(1)^2} \rightarrow \mathbf{SU(2)} \times \mathbf{U(1)} \rightarrow \mathbf{SU(3)}$$

$$\chi_i = \chi_j$$

$$\chi_{1,2,3} = 0$$

N=2 family of AdS₄ vacua with U(1) × U(1)_R symmetry

[AG, Sterckx, Trigiante '20]

- Location : [1 free parameter]

$$z_1 = -\bar{z}_3 = c \left(-\chi + i \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \right), \quad z_2 = ic, \quad z_4 = z_6 = i \quad \text{and} \quad z_5 = z_7 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(1 + i)$$

- AdS₄ radius $L^2 = -3/V_0$ & scalar mass spectrum :

$$V_0 = -3g^2c^{-1},$$

$$m^2L^2 = 0(\times 30), \quad 3 \pm \sqrt{17}(\times 2), \quad -2(\times 4), \quad 2(\times 6), \quad -2 + 4\chi^2(\times 6) \\ -1 + 4\chi^2 \pm \sqrt{16\chi^2 + 1}(\times 2), \quad \chi^2 \pm \sqrt{\chi^2 + 2}(\times 8),$$

- Flavour symmetry enhancement :

$$\mathbf{U(1)} \rightarrow \mathbf{SU(2)}$$

$$\chi = 0$$

N=4 AdS₄ vacuum with SO(4)_R symmetry

[Gallerati, Samtleben, Trigiante '14]

[AG, Sterckx, Trigiante '20]

- Location :

$$z_1 = z_2 = z_3 = ic \quad \text{and} \quad z_4 = z_5 = z_6 = -\bar{z}_7 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(1 + i)$$

- AdS₄ radius $L^2 = -3/V_0$ & scalar mass spectrum :

$$V_0 = -3g^2c^{-1},$$

$$m^2L^2 = 0(\times 48), \quad 10(\times 1), \quad 4(\times 10), \quad -2(\times 11)$$

Next step : Uplift to type IIB on $\mathbb{R} \times S^5$ using E₇₍₇₎-EFT



S-folds in 10D

Generalised Scherk-Schwarz reductions of E₇₍₇₎-EFT

[Hohm, Samtleben '14]

[Baguet, Hohm, Samtleben '15]

[Inverso, Samtleben, Trigiante '16]

- SL(8) twist (geometry) :

$$y^{i=1\dots 5} \text{ (elec) } , \quad \tilde{y}_1 = \sinh \eta \text{ (mag)}$$

$$\rho = \hat{\rho}(\tilde{y}_1) \hat{\rho}(y^i)$$

$$(U^{-1})_A{}^B = \left(\frac{\hat{\rho}}{\hat{\rho}} \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & -\hat{\rho}^{-2} c \tilde{y}_1 \\ 0 & \delta^{ij} + \hat{K} y^i y^j & -\lambda \hat{\rho}^2 y^i & 0 \\ 0 & -\lambda \hat{\rho}^2 y^j \hat{K} & \hat{\rho}^4 & 0 \\ -\hat{\rho}^{-2} c \tilde{y}_1 & 0 & 0 & \hat{\rho}^{-4} (1 + \tilde{y}_1^2) \end{pmatrix}$$

- EFT fields = Twist \times 4D fields :

$$g_{\mu\nu}(x, Y) = \rho^{-2}(Y) g_{\mu\nu}(x)$$

$$\mathcal{M}_{MN}(x, Y) = U_M{}^K(Y) U_N{}^L(Y) M_{KL}(x)$$

- Type IIB fields = EFT fields :

$$G^{mn} = G^{1/2} \mathcal{M}^{mn}$$

$$\mathbb{B}_{mn}{}^\alpha = G^{1/2} G_{mp} \epsilon^{\alpha\beta} \mathcal{M}^p{}_{n\beta}$$

$$m_{\alpha\beta} = \frac{1}{6} G \left(\mathcal{M}^{mn} \mathcal{M}_{m\alpha n\beta} + \mathcal{M}^m{}_{k\alpha} \mathcal{M}^k{}_{m\beta} \right)$$

$$C_{klmn} = -\frac{1}{4} G^{1/2} G_{k\rho} \mathcal{M}^\rho{}_{lmn} + \frac{3}{8} \epsilon_{\alpha\beta} \mathbb{B}_{k[l}{}^\alpha \mathbb{B}_{mn]}{}^\beta$$

N=0 & SO(6) solution

[AG, Sterckx '19]

Flavour: SO(6) ~ S⁵

$$ds_{10}^2 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} ds_{\text{AdS}_4}^2 + \frac{1}{2} d\eta^2 + d\hat{s}_{S^5}^2$$

$$\tilde{F}_5 = 4(1 + \star) \text{vol}_5$$

$$\mathbb{B}^\alpha = A^\alpha{}_\beta \mathbf{b}^\beta = 0$$

$$m_{\alpha\beta} = (A^{-t})_\alpha{}^\gamma \mathbf{m}_{\gamma\delta} (A^{-1})^\delta{}_\beta$$

No untwisted limit !!
(genuinely dyonic)

with $\mathbf{m}_{\gamma\delta} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$

and

$$A^\alpha{}_\beta \equiv \begin{pmatrix} \cosh \eta & \sinh \eta \\ \sinh \eta & \cosh \eta \end{pmatrix}$$

[$\mathbb{R} \rightarrow S^1 \Leftrightarrow$ (hyperbolic) SO(1,1)-twist = monodromy]

[Bak, Gutperle, Hirano '03]

unstable !!

$$\mathfrak{M}_{S^1} = A^{-1}(\eta)A(\eta + T) = \begin{pmatrix} \cosh T & \sinh T \\ \sinh T & \cosh T \end{pmatrix}$$

N=1 & SU(3) solution

[Lüst, Tsimpis '09 (local form)]

[AG, Sterckx '19]

Flavour: SU(3) ~ CP²

$$ds_{10}^2 = \frac{3\sqrt{6}}{10} ds_{\text{AdS}_4}^2 + \frac{1}{3} \sqrt{\frac{10}{3}} d\eta^2 + \left[\sqrt{\frac{5}{6}} ds_{\text{CP}^2}^2 + \sqrt{\frac{6}{5}} \eta^2 \right]$$

$$\tilde{F}_5 = 3 \left(\frac{6}{5} \right)^{\frac{3}{4}} (1 + \star) \text{vol}_5$$

$$\mathbb{B}^\alpha = A^\alpha{}_\beta \mathbf{b}^\beta = A^\alpha{}_\beta \left(-\frac{5}{12} H^\beta{}_\gamma(z_i) \Omega^\gamma \right)$$

$$m_{\alpha\beta} = (A^{-t})_\alpha{}^\gamma m_{\gamma\delta} (A^{-1})^\delta{}_\beta$$

[charged under U(1)_η]

with $\mathbf{m}_{\gamma\delta} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$

and

$$A^\alpha{}_\beta \equiv \begin{pmatrix} \cosh \eta & \sinh \eta \\ \sinh \eta & \cosh \eta \end{pmatrix}$$

[(hyperbolic) SO(1,1)-twist]

**No untwisted limit !!
(genuinely dyonic)**

N=2 & SU(2) x U(1)_R solution

[AG, Sterckx, Trigiante '20]

Flavour: SU(2) ~ S²

(genuinely dyonic)

$$ds^2 = \frac{1}{2} \Delta^{-1} \left[ds_{\text{AdS}_4}^2 + d\eta^2 + d\theta^2 + \sin^2 \theta d\phi^2 + \cos^2 \theta (\sigma_2^2 + 8 \Delta^4 (\sigma_1^2 + \sigma_3^2)) \right]$$

$$\Delta^{-4} = 6 - 2 \cos(2\theta)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \tilde{F}_5 = 4 \Delta^4 \sin \theta \cos^3 \theta (1 + \star) & \left[3 d\theta \wedge d\phi \wedge \sigma_1 \wedge \sigma_2 \wedge \sigma_3 \right. \\ & \left. - d\eta \wedge \left(\cos(2\phi) d\theta - \frac{1}{2} \sin(2\theta) \sin(2\phi) d\phi \right) \wedge \sigma_1 \wedge \sigma_2 \wedge \sigma_3 \right] \end{aligned}$$

$$\mathbb{B}^\alpha = A^\alpha{}_\beta \mathfrak{b}^\beta \quad \text{with}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \mathfrak{b}_1 &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \cos \theta \left[\left(\sin \phi d\theta + \frac{1}{2} \sin(2\theta) d(\sin \phi) \right) \wedge \sigma_2 + \sin \phi \frac{4 \sin(2\theta)}{6 - 2 \cos(2\theta)} \sigma_1 \wedge \sigma_3 \right] \\ \mathfrak{b}_2 &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \cos \theta \left[\left(\cos \phi d\theta + \frac{1}{2} \sin(2\theta) d(\cos \phi) \right) \wedge \sigma_2 + \cos \phi \frac{4 \sin(2\theta)}{6 - 2 \cos(2\theta)} \sigma_1 \wedge \sigma_3 \right] \end{aligned}$$

$$m_{\alpha\beta} = (A^{-t})_\alpha{}^\gamma \mathfrak{m}_{\gamma\delta} (A^{-1})^\delta{}_\beta \quad \text{with} \quad \mathfrak{m}_{\gamma\delta} = 2 \Delta^2 \begin{pmatrix} 1 + \sin^2 \theta \cos^2 \phi & -\frac{1}{2} \sin^2(\theta) \sin(2\phi) \\ -\frac{1}{2} \sin^2(\theta) \sin(2\phi) & 1 + \sin^2 \theta \sin^2 \phi \end{pmatrix}$$



Holographic RG flows on the D3-brane

RG flows = (flat sliced) domain-walls :

$$ds_{\text{DW}_4}^2 = e^{2A(z)} \eta_{\alpha\beta} dx^\alpha dx^\beta + dz^2$$

BPS flow equations :

$$\partial_z A = \mp |\mathcal{W}| \quad \text{and} \quad \partial_z \Sigma^I = \pm K^{IJ} \partial_{\Sigma^J} |\mathcal{W}|$$

with $\mathcal{W} = e^{\frac{K}{2}} W = m_{3/2}$

D3-brane and N=4 super Yang-Mills

- $c = 0$: D3-brane \leftrightarrow AdS₅ \leftrightarrow DW₄

[DW₄ metric]

[AdS₅ metric]

$$\begin{aligned}
 ds_{10}^2 &= \frac{1}{2} g^2 \Delta^{-1}(z_i) \left(e^{2A(z)} \eta_{\alpha\beta} dx^\alpha dx^\beta + dz^2 \right) + \Delta^2(z_i) d\eta^2 + ds_{S^5}^2, \\
 \tilde{F}_5 &= 4g(1 + \star) \text{vol}_5, \quad \mathbb{B}^\alpha = 0, \\
 m_{\alpha\beta} &= \begin{pmatrix} e^{-\Phi_0} & 0 \\ 0 & e^{\Phi_0} \end{pmatrix}.
 \end{aligned}$$

Note: $\Delta(z_i) = |z_{4,5,6,7}|^{-1} \text{Im}z_{4,5,6,7} \text{Im}z_{1,2,3}$

DW₄ domain-wall
(SYM₄)

$$z_{1,2,3} = -\chi_{1,2,3}^{(0)} + i \frac{(gz)^2}{8}, \quad z_4 = z_5 = z_6 = z_7 = i e^{-\frac{1}{2}\Phi_0} \quad \text{and} \quad e^A = (gz)^3$$

[3 free parameters]

BPS equations require

$$\sum_{i=1}^3 \text{Re}z_i = -\sum_{i=1}^3 \chi_i^{(0)} = 0$$

Deformed D3-brane

- $c \neq 0$: Expansion of BPS equations in powers of $\frac{c}{(gz)^2}$

[quadratic order]

$$z_{1,2,3} = \frac{1}{3} c \sinh \Phi_0 \left(1 - 384 \cosh^2 \Phi_0 \frac{c^2}{(gz)^4} \log(gz) \right) + i \frac{(gz)^2}{8} \left(1 + 32 \cosh^2 \Phi_0 \frac{c^2}{(gz)^4} \right),$$

$$z_{4,5,6,7} = 4 e^{-\frac{1}{2}\Phi_0} \cosh \Phi_0 \frac{c}{(gz)^2} \left(1 + 64 \left(1 - 3 \cosh(2\Phi_0) \right) \frac{c^2}{(gz)^4} \log(gz) \right) + i e^{-\frac{1}{2}\Phi_0} \left(1 - 8 \left(\cosh^2 \Phi_0 - 2 \sinh(2\Phi_0) \right) \frac{c^2}{(gz)^4} \right),$$

$$e^A = (gz)^3 \left(1 + 16 \cosh^2 \Phi_0 \frac{c^2}{(gz)^4} \right).$$

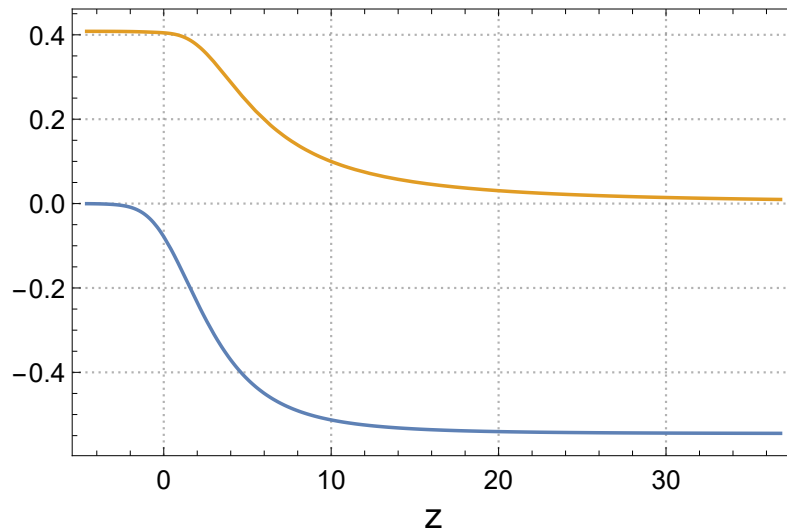
... so this time

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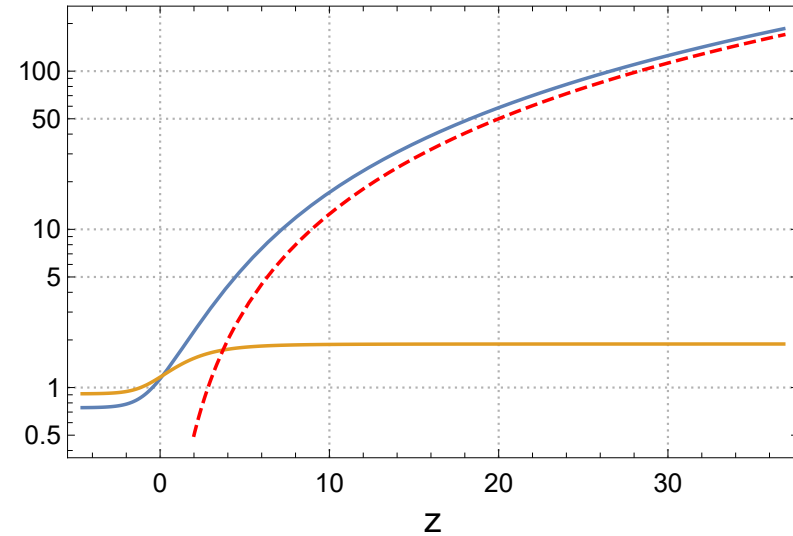
(IR) N=1 & SU(3) J -fold CFT₃ \longleftrightarrow SYM₄ (UV)

$$\begin{aligned}
 m^2 L^2 &= -\frac{20}{9} (\times 3) , -2 (\times 2) , -\frac{8}{9} (\times 3) ; 0 (\times 2) ; 4 - \sqrt{6} (\times 2) , 4 + \sqrt{6} (\times 2) \\
 \Delta_+ &= \frac{5}{3} (\times 3) , \mathbf{2} (\times 2) , \frac{8}{3} ; 3 ; \mathbf{1 + \sqrt{6}} (\times 2) , 2 + \sqrt{6} \\
 \Delta_- &= \frac{4}{3} , 1 , \frac{1}{3} (\times 3) ; \mathbf{0} (\times 2) ; 2 - \sqrt{6} , \mathbf{1 - \sqrt{6}} (\times 2)
 \end{aligned}$$

[2 irrelevant operators]



— $\text{Re}(z_{1,2,3})$
 — $\text{Re}(z_{4,5,6,7})$

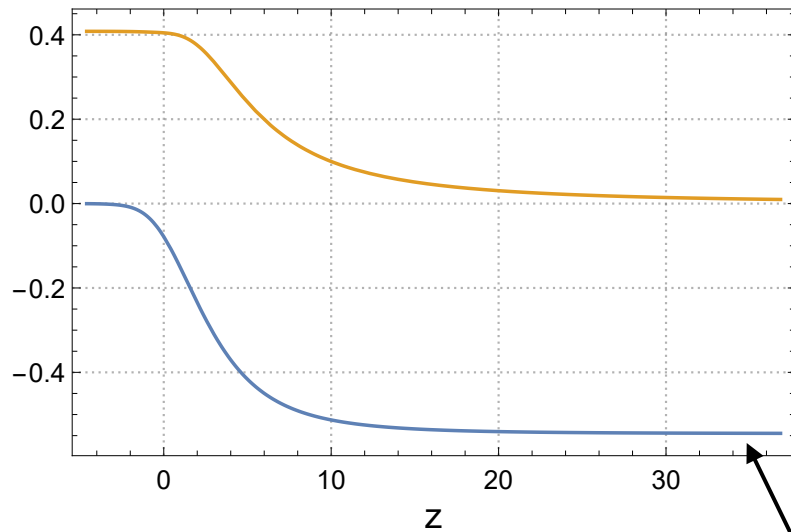


— $\text{Im}(z_{1,2,3})$
 — $\text{Im}(z_{4,5,6,7})$ - - - D3-brane

(IR) N=1 & SU(3) J -fold CFT₃ \longleftrightarrow SYM₄ (UV)

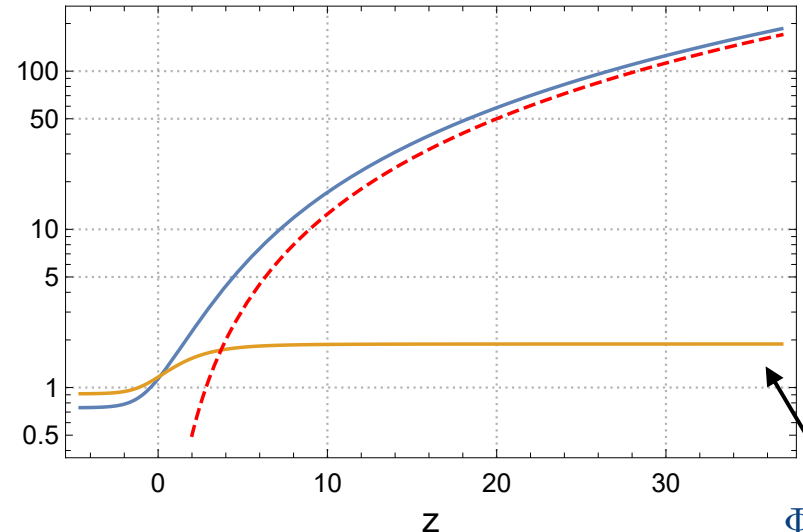
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[2 irrelevant operators]



— Re($z_{1,2,3}$)
— Re($z_{4,5,6,7}$)

$\chi_{1,2,3}^{(0)} \neq 0$



— Im($z_{1,2,3}$)
— Im($z_{4,5,6,7}$)
- - - D3-brane

$\Phi_0 \neq 0$

10D flows

axion here !!

Geometry

$$\eta = d\beta + \text{Re}z_{1,2,3} d\eta + \mathbf{A}_1$$

$$ds_{10}^2 = \frac{1}{2} \Delta^{-1} (ds_{\text{DW}_4}^2 + 2 (gc)^{-2} \Delta H(z_i) d\eta^2) + g^{-2} F(z_i) [ds_{\text{CP}_2}^2 + F(z_i)^{-2} \eta^2]$$

with $F(z_i) = |z_{4,5,6,7}|^{-1} \text{Im}z_{4,5,6,7}$ $H(z_i) = F(z_i)^{-1} (\text{Im}z_{1,2,3})^2$ $\Delta = F(z_i) \text{Im}z_{1,2,3}$

$$\mathbb{B}^\alpha = A^\alpha{}_\beta \mathbf{b}^\beta \quad \text{with} \quad \mathbf{b}^2 + i |z_{4,5,6,7}|^2 \mathbf{b}^1 = -i g^{-2} \text{Re}z_{4,5,6,7} \Omega$$

$$m_{\alpha\beta} = (A^{-t})_\alpha{}^\gamma \mathbf{m}_{\gamma\delta} (A^{-1})^\delta{}_\beta \quad \text{with} \quad \mathbf{m}_{\gamma\delta} = \begin{pmatrix} |z_{4,5,6,7}|^2 & 0 \\ 0 & |z_{4,5,6,7}|^{-2} \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \tilde{F}_5 &= g (1 + \star) \left[\left(4 - 6 (1 - F(z_i)^2) \right) \text{vol}_{\text{CP}_2} \wedge (\eta - \text{Re}z_{1,2,3} d\eta) \right. \\ &+ \left(4 \text{Re}z_{1,2,3} + (\text{Re}z_{4,5,6,7})^2 (1 - |z_{4,5,6,7}|^{-4}) \right) \text{vol}_{\text{CP}_2} \wedge d\eta \\ &\left. - d\text{Re}z_{1,2,3} \wedge d\eta \wedge \mathbf{J} \wedge (\eta - \text{Re}z_{1,2,3} d\eta) \right]. \end{aligned}$$

Note: $\theta_\gamma{}^\beta = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$

10D flows

Geometry

$$\eta = d\beta + \text{Re}z_{1,2,3} d\eta + \mathbf{A}_1$$

$$ds_{10}^2 = \frac{1}{2} \Delta^{-1} (ds_{\text{DW}_4}^2 + 2 (gc)^{-2} \Delta H(z_i) d\eta^2) + g^{-2} F(z_i) [ds_{\text{CP}_2}^2 + F(z_i)^{-2} \eta^2]$$

with $F(z_i) = |z_{4,5,6,7}|^{-1} \text{Im}z_{4,5,6,7}$ $H(z_i) = F(z_i)^{-1} (\text{Im}z_{1,2,3})^2$ $\Delta = F(z_i) \text{Im}z_{1,2,3}$

$$\mathbb{H}^\alpha = A^\alpha{}_\beta \left(d\eta \wedge \mathfrak{b}^\gamma \theta_\gamma{}^\beta + d\mathfrak{b}^\beta \right) \quad \text{with} \quad \mathfrak{b}^2 + i |z_{4,5,6,7}|^2 \mathfrak{b}^1 = -i g^{-2} \text{Re}z_{4,5,6,7} \Omega$$

$$dm_{\alpha\beta} = -(|z_{4,5,6,7}|^2 + |z_{4,5,6,7}|^{-2}) (A^{-t} \theta A^{-1})_{\alpha\beta} d\eta + \dots$$

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[anisotropy in SYM₄]

Axions in 10D

SU(3) symmetry : $\beta' = \beta - \chi_{1,2,3}^{(0)} \eta$ [= coordinate redefinition (locally)]

General case : $\theta'_1 = \theta_1 + g \chi_1^{(0)} \eta$, $\theta'_2 = \theta_2 + g \chi_2^{(0)} \eta$, $\theta'_3 = \theta_3 - g \chi_3^{(0)} \eta$

S^5 metric : $ds_{S^5}^2 = d\alpha^2 + \cos^2 \alpha d\theta_1^2 + \sin^2 \alpha (d\beta^2 + \cos^2 \beta d\theta_2^2 + \sin^2 \beta d\theta_3^2)$

... so axions induce a fibration of S^5 over S^1 characterised by a **non-trivial monodromy**

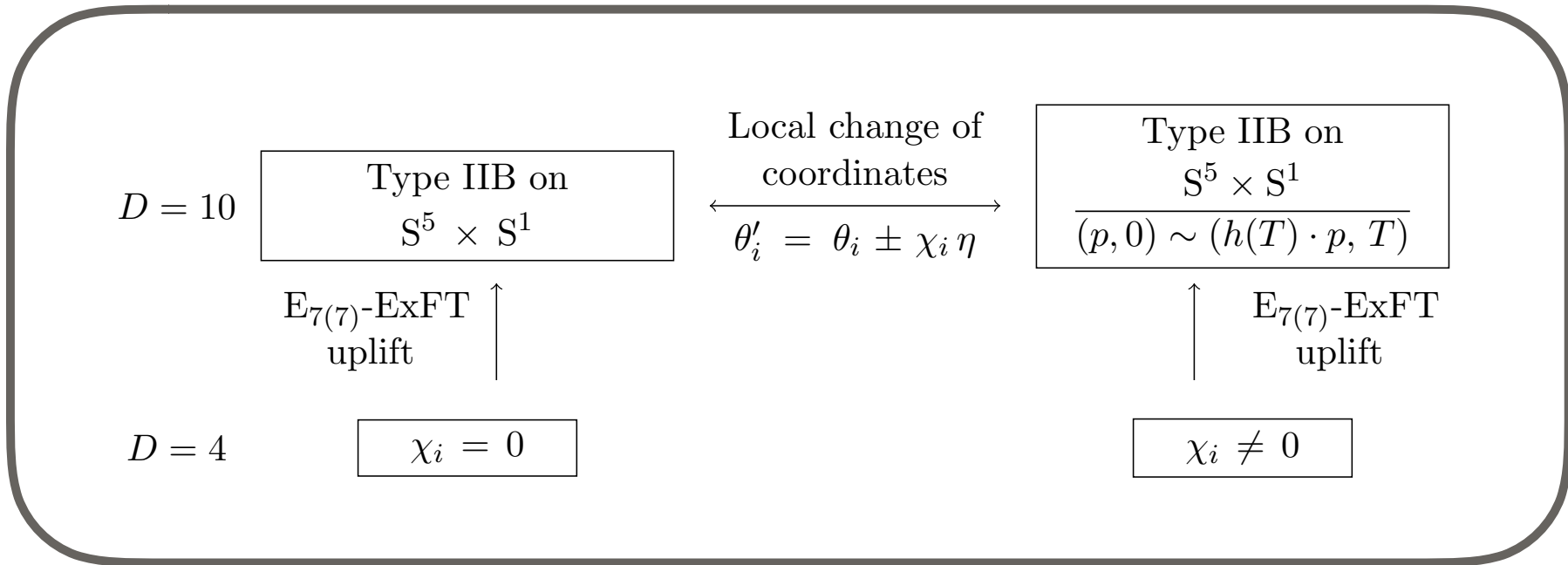
$$h(T) = \begin{pmatrix} h_1 & & \\ & h_2 & \\ & & h_3 \end{pmatrix} \quad \text{with} \quad h_i = \exp \left(i \chi_i^{(0)} \sigma_2 T \right) \in \text{SO}(2)$$

symmetry

$$\chi_i \rightarrow \chi_i + n_i \frac{2\pi}{T}$$

Global breaking of symmetries of S^5 \Rightarrow matching patterns of symmetry breaking @ AdS_4 vacua !

❖ KK spectrum at the N=2 S-fold periodic under $\chi \rightarrow \chi + 2\pi/T$ [Giambrone, Malek, Samtleben, Trigiante '21]



Ex : N=1 S-folds:

[CP² factor]

$$\begin{aligned} \phi &\rightarrow \phi - (\chi_1 - \chi_2) \eta \\ \psi &\rightarrow \psi - (\chi_1 + \chi_2 - 2\chi_3) \eta \end{aligned}$$

[U(1) fiber]

$$\beta \rightarrow \beta - \chi_3 \eta$$

$$\sum_{i=1}^3 \chi_i = 0$$

[SU(3) monodromy to break SU(3) symmetry]

Ex : D3-brane:

$$\theta_i \rightarrow \theta_i + \chi_i^{(0)} \eta$$

$$\sum_{i=1}^3 \chi_i^{(0)} \neq 0$$

[SU(4) monodromy to break SU(4) symmetry]

4D vs 5D

Relevant branching : $SU(8) \supset USp(8) \supset SU(4) \times U(1)_S$
4D **5D**

$$SU(4) \times U(1)_S \supset SU(3) \times U(1) \times U(1)_S$$

$$\mathbf{1}_4 + \mathbf{1}_{-4} \rightarrow \mathbf{1}_{(0,4)} + \mathbf{1}_{(0,-4)}$$

$$\mathbf{10}_{-2} + \overline{\mathbf{10}}_2 \rightarrow (\overline{\mathbf{6}}_{(2,-2)} + \mathbf{3}_{(-2,-2)} + \mathbf{1}_{(-6,-2)}) + (\mathbf{6}_{(-2,2)} + \overline{\mathbf{3}}_{(2,2)} + \mathbf{1}_{(6,2)})$$

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$\chi_{1,2,3}^{(0)}$

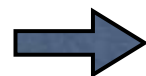
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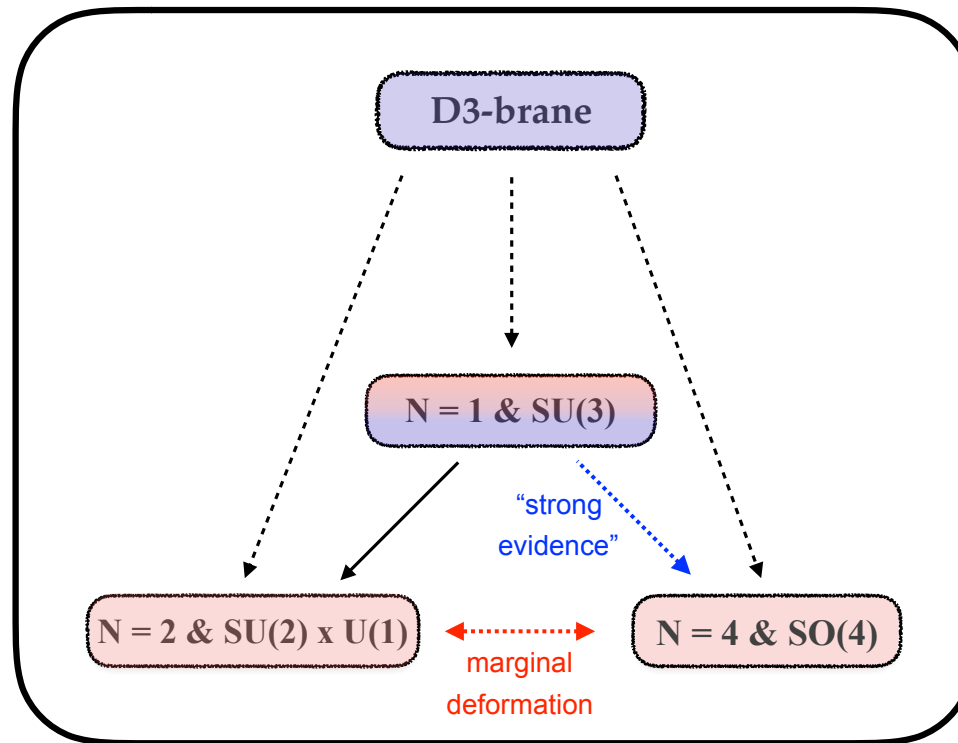
[coupling N = 4 SYM₄ to off-shell conformal supergravity]



SU(3)-invariant one-form V_μ deformation of N=4 SYM₄

[Festuccia, Seiberg '11] [Maxfield '16]

Concluding remarks...



❖ New families of $N=1,2$ S-folds and RG flows

❖ Conformal manifold of 3d $N=2$ S-fold CFT's

❖ Global aspects of axions ? , 5D picture ? , KK spectra ? , Brane set-ups ?

[Bobev, Gautason, Pilch, Suh, van Muiden '19, '20]

[Giambrone, Malek, Samtleben, Trigiante '21]

[Arav, (Cheung), Gauntlett, Roberts, Rosen '21]

[Bobev, Gautason, van Muiden '21]

Thank you !

Extra material

Singular Janus & S-fold interpretation

[Inverso, Samtleben, Trigiante '16]

[AG, Sterckx, (Trigiante) '19, ('20)]

- Singular Janus (linear dilaton) : $\Phi(\eta, y^i) = -2\eta + f(y^i)$ [S^5 coordiantes y^i]

- $\mathbb{R} \rightarrow S^1 \Leftrightarrow$ **hyperbolic monodromy** : $\mathfrak{M}_{S^1} = A^{-1}(\eta)A(\eta + T) = \begin{pmatrix} \cosh T & \sinh T \\ \sinh T & \cosh T \end{pmatrix}$

- Generalising the A -twist to a k -family ($k > 2$) :

$$A_{(k)} = Ag(k) \quad \text{with} \quad g(k) = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{(k^2 - 4)^{\frac{1}{4}}}{\sqrt{2}} & 0 \\ \frac{k}{\sqrt{2}(k^2 - 4)^{\frac{1}{4}}} & \frac{\sqrt{2}}{(k^2 - 4)^{\frac{1}{4}}} \end{pmatrix}$$

Then

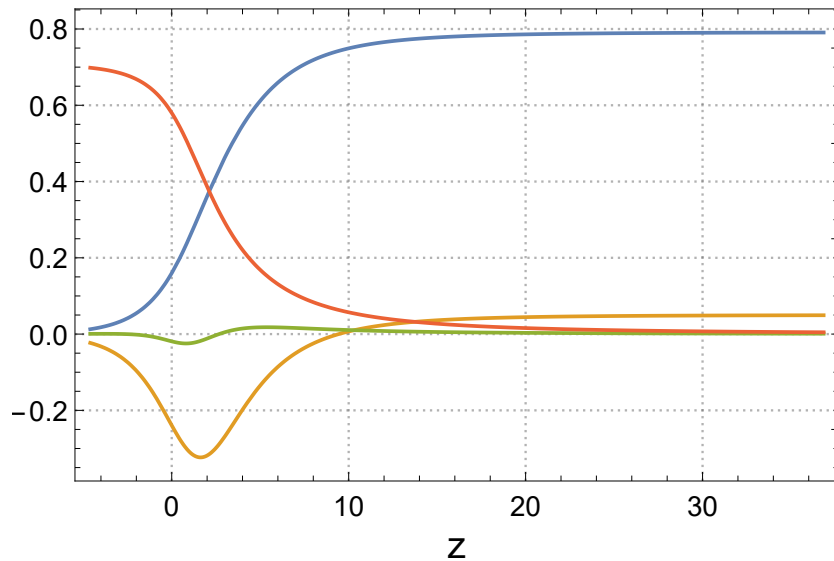
$$\mathfrak{M}(k) = A_{(k)}^{-1}(\eta) A_{(k)}(\eta + T(k)) = \begin{pmatrix} k & 1 \\ -1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} = -\mathcal{ST}^k \in \text{SL}(2, \mathbb{Z})_{\text{IIB}}$$

with $T(k) = \log(k + \sqrt{k^2 - 4}) - \log(2)$ and $\text{Tr}\mathfrak{M}(k) > 2$. [**hyperbolic**]

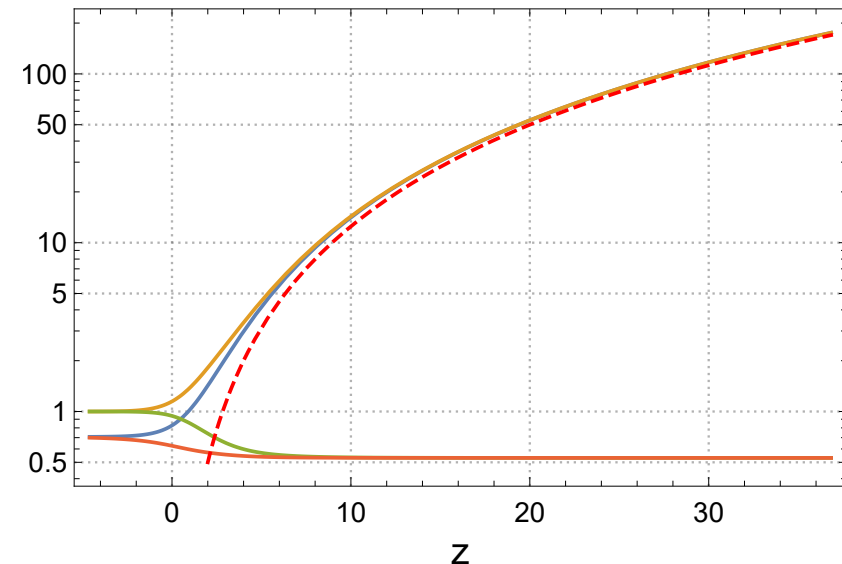
(IR) N=2 & SU(2) J -fold CFT₃ \longleftrightarrow SYM₄ (UV)

$$\begin{aligned}
 m^2 L^2 &= -2(\times 4) , & 3 - \sqrt{17}(\times 2) ; & 0(\times 2) ; & 2(\times 4) , & 3 + \sqrt{17}(\times 2) \\
 \Delta_+ &= \mathbf{2}(\times 2) , & \frac{1}{2}(1 + \sqrt{17})(\times 2) ; & 3 ; & \frac{1}{2}(3 + \sqrt{17})(\times 2) , & \frac{1}{2}(5 + \sqrt{17}) \\
 \Delta_- &= \mathbf{1}(\times 2) , & \frac{1}{2}(5 - \sqrt{17}) ; & \mathbf{0}(\times 2) ; & \frac{1}{2}(3 - \sqrt{17})(\times 2) , & \frac{1}{2}(1 - \sqrt{17})(\times 2)
 \end{aligned}$$

[4 irrelevant operators]



— $\text{Re}(z_{1,3})$ — $\text{Re}(z_2)$
— $\text{Re}(z_{4,6})$ — $\text{Re}(z_{5,7})$



— $\text{Im}(z_{1,3})$ — $\text{Im}(z_2)$ - - - D3-brane
— $\text{Im}(z_{4,6})$ — $\text{Im}(z_{5,7})$

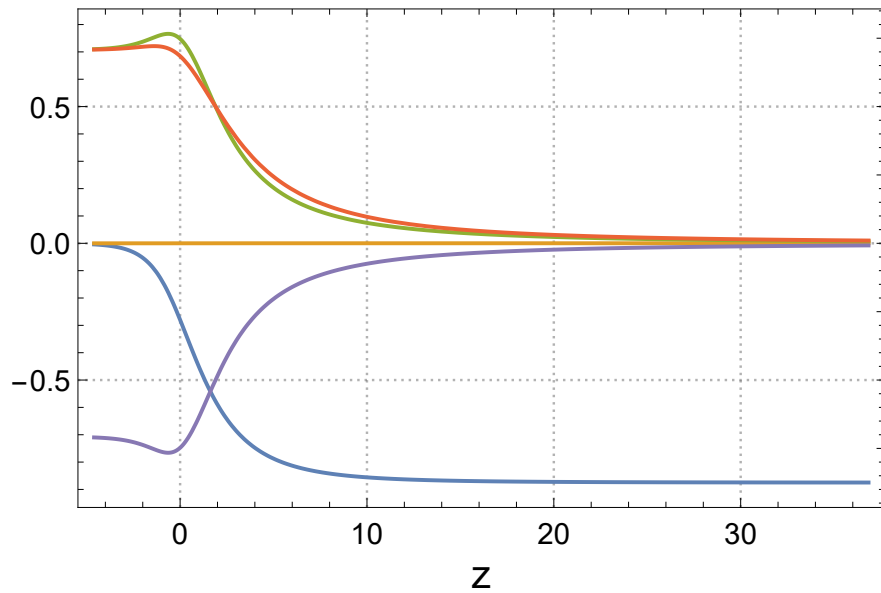
(IR) $N=4$ J -fold CFT_3 \longleftrightarrow SYM_4 (UV)

$$m^2 L^2 = -2(\times 3) ; 0(\times 6) ; 4(\times 4) , 10(\times 1)$$

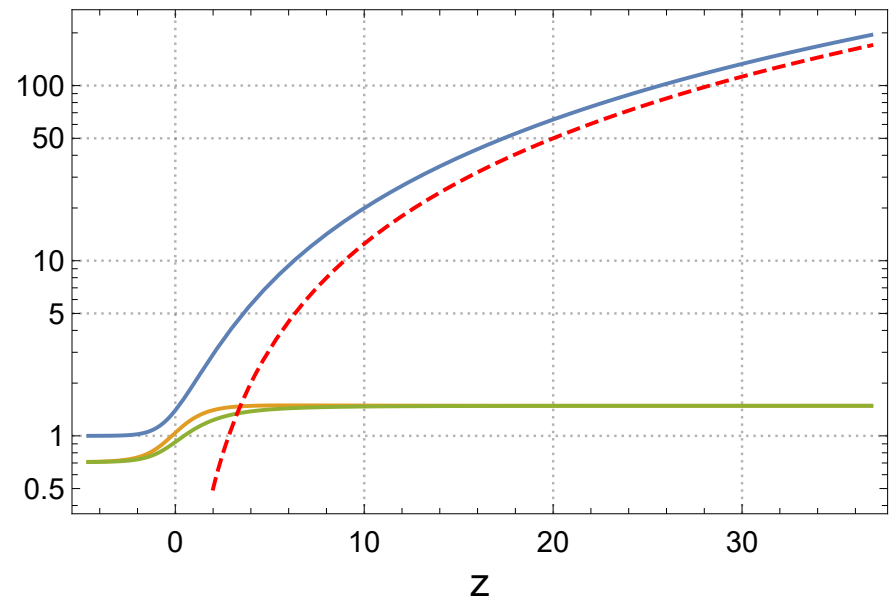
$$\Delta_+ = \mathbf{2}(\times 3) ; \mathbf{3}(\times 3) ; \mathbf{4}(\times 1) , 5$$

$$\Delta_- = 1 ; \mathbf{0}(\times 3) ; \mathbf{-1}(\times 3) , \mathbf{-2}(\times 1)$$

[4 irrelevant operators]



— $Re(z_1)$ — $Re(z_{2,3})$ — $Re(z_4)$
 — $Re(z_{5,6})$ — $Re(z_7)$



— $Im(z_{1,2,3})$ — $Im(z_{4,7})$ — $Im(z_{5,6})$ - - - D3-brane