

6j symbols for the modular double, quantum hyperbolic geometry, and supersymmetric gauge theories

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Introduction

- ▶ fusion kernel/ b - $6j$ symbol;
- ▶ relation to 3d hyperbolic geometry;
- ▶ application to SuSy theories;

Fusion kernel I

$$\begin{aligned} & \langle V_{\alpha_4}(z_4, \bar{z}_4) V_{\alpha_3}(z_3, \bar{z}_3) V_{\alpha_2}(z_2, \bar{z}_2) V_{\alpha_1}(z_1, \bar{z}_1) \rangle = \\ &= \int_{Q/2+i\mathbb{R}} d\alpha_s \mathbf{C}(\alpha_4, \alpha_3, \alpha_s) \mathbf{C}(Q - \alpha_s, \alpha_2, \alpha_1) \mathcal{F}_{\alpha_s}^{(s)}(A|Z) \mathcal{F}_{\alpha_s}^{(s)}(A|\bar{Z}) \\ &= \int_{Q/2+i\mathbb{R}} d\alpha_t \mathbf{C}(\alpha_4, \alpha_t, \alpha_1) \mathbf{C}(Q - \alpha_t, \alpha_3, \alpha_2) \mathcal{F}_{\alpha_t}^{(t)}(A|Z) \mathcal{F}_{\alpha_t}^{(t)}(A|\bar{Z}) \end{aligned}$$

where $A = (\alpha_1, \alpha_2, \alpha_3, \alpha_4)$, $Z = (z_1, z_2, z_3, z_4)$, and DOZZ 3-point function is

$$\mathbf{C}(\alpha_1, \alpha_2, \alpha_3) = (\pi\mu\gamma(b^2)b^{2-2b^2})^{\frac{1}{b}(Q-\alpha_1-\alpha_2-\alpha_3)}$$

$$\Upsilon_0 \Upsilon(2\alpha_1) \Upsilon(2\alpha_2) \Upsilon(2\alpha_3)$$

$$\times \frac{\Upsilon(\alpha_1 + \alpha_2 + \alpha_3 - Q) \Upsilon(\alpha_1 + \alpha_3 - \alpha_2) \Upsilon(\alpha_1 + \alpha_2 - \alpha_3) \Upsilon(\alpha_2 + \alpha_3 - \alpha_1)}{\Upsilon(\alpha_1 + \alpha_2 + \alpha_3 - Q) \Upsilon(\alpha_1 + \alpha_3 - \alpha_2) \Upsilon(\alpha_1 + \alpha_2 - \alpha_3) \Upsilon(\alpha_2 + \alpha_3 - \alpha_1)},$$

$$\Upsilon(x) = \Gamma_b(x) \Gamma_b(Q - x) \text{ and } Q = b + b^{-1}.$$

Fusion kernel II

$$= \int d\alpha_t \mathbf{F}_{\alpha_s \alpha_t} \begin{bmatrix} \alpha_3 & \alpha_2 \\ \alpha_4 & \alpha_1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Fusion kernel III

$$\mathcal{F}_{\alpha_s}^{(s)}(A|Z) = \int_{Q/2+i\mathbb{R}} d\mu(\alpha_t) F_{\alpha_s\alpha_t} \begin{bmatrix} \alpha_3 & \alpha_2 \\ \alpha_4 & \alpha_1 \end{bmatrix} \mathcal{F}_{\alpha_t}^{(t)}(A|Z), \quad \text{Teschner '01}$$

where F -kernel is [Ponsot, Teschner '99](#); [Teschner '01](#)

$$F_{\alpha_s\alpha_t} \begin{bmatrix} \alpha_3 & \alpha_2 \\ \alpha_4 & \alpha_1 \end{bmatrix} = \frac{N(\alpha_s, \alpha_2, \alpha_1)N(\alpha_4, \alpha_3, \alpha_s)}{N(\alpha_t, \alpha_3, \alpha_2)N(\alpha_4, \alpha_t, \alpha_1)} \left\{ \begin{matrix} \alpha_1 & \alpha_2 & | & \alpha_s \\ \alpha_3 & \alpha_4 & | & \alpha_t \end{matrix} \right\}_{\text{PT}},$$

where

$$N(\alpha_3, \alpha_2, \alpha_1) = \frac{\Gamma_b(2Q - 2\alpha_3)\Gamma_b(2\alpha_2)\Gamma_b(2\alpha_1)}{\Gamma_b(2Q - \alpha_1 - \alpha_2 - \alpha_3)\Gamma_b(Q - \alpha_1 - \alpha_2 + \alpha_3)} \\ \times \frac{1}{\Gamma_b(\alpha_1 + \alpha_3 - \alpha_2)\Gamma_b(\alpha_2 + \alpha_3 - \alpha_1)}.$$

Special functions I

The function $\Gamma_b(x)$ is closely related to the double Barnes function

$$\log \Gamma_b(x) = \int_0^{\infty} \frac{dt}{t} \left(\frac{e^{-xt} - e^{-Qt/2}}{(1 - e^{-bt})(1 - e^{-t/b})} - \frac{(Q - 2x)^2}{8e^t} - \frac{Q - 2x}{t} \right).$$

Important properties of $\Gamma_b(x)$ are

functional equation $\Gamma_b(x + b) = \sqrt{2\pi b} b^{bx - \frac{1}{2}} \Gamma^{-1}(bx) \Gamma_b(x).$

analyticity $\Gamma_b(x)$ is meromorphic,

poles $x = -nb - mb^{-1}, n, m \in \mathbb{Z}^{\geq 0}.$

Special functions II

Double Sine functions

$$S_b(x) = \frac{\Gamma_b(x)}{\Gamma_b(Q-x)},$$

satisfies

self-duality $S_b(x) = S_{b^{-1}}(x),$

functional equation $S_b(x + b^{\pm 1}) = 2 \sin(\pi b^{\pm 1} x) S_b(x),$

reflection property $S_b(x) S_b(Q-x) = 1.$

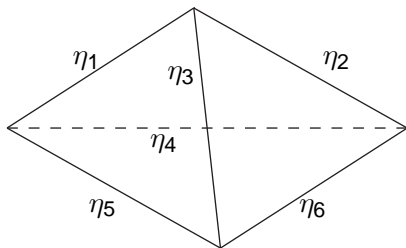
Fusion kernel IV

$$\begin{aligned} \left\{ \begin{array}{c} \alpha_1 \alpha_2 \\ \alpha_3 \bar{\alpha}_4 \end{array} \middle| \alpha_s \right\}_{\text{PT}} &= \frac{\mathcal{S}_b(\alpha_2 + \alpha_s - \alpha_1) \mathcal{S}_b(\alpha_t + \alpha_1 - \alpha_4)}{\mathcal{S}_b(\alpha_2 + \alpha_t - \alpha_3) \mathcal{S}_b(\alpha_s + \alpha_3 - \alpha_4)} \\ &\times \int_{\mathcal{C}} du \mathcal{S}_b(-\alpha_2 \pm (\alpha_1 - Q/2) + u) \mathcal{S}_b(-\alpha_4 \pm (\alpha_3 - Q/2) + u) \\ &\times \mathcal{S}_b(\alpha_2 + \alpha_4 \pm (\alpha_t - Q/2) - u) \mathcal{S}_b(Q \pm (\alpha_s - Q/2) - u). \end{aligned}$$

Here, $\mathcal{S}_b(\alpha \pm u) := \mathcal{S}_b(\alpha + u) \mathcal{S}_b(\alpha - u)$. A contour \mathcal{C} approaches $Q + i\mathbb{R}$ near infinity, and passes the real axis in $(Q/2, Q)$.

Volume of non-ideal tetrahedron I

A non-ideal tetrahedron defined by 6 dihedral angles
 $\eta_i, i = 1, \dots, 6$



Volume of non-ideal tetrahedron II

The volume Murakami Yano '05

$$\text{Vol}(\underline{A}) = \frac{1}{2} \text{Im} [U(u_+, \underline{A}) + \Delta(\underline{A})] = -\frac{1}{2} \text{Im} [U(u_-, \underline{A}) + \Delta(\underline{A})],$$

where $A_k = e^{i\eta_k}$ and u_{\pm} are the two roots

$$\frac{dU(u, \underline{A})}{du} = -\frac{2\pi i}{u}.$$

Here

$$\begin{aligned} U(u, \underline{A}) = & \text{Li}_2(u) + \text{Li}_2(A_{st13}u) + \text{Li}_2(A_{st24}u) + \text{Li}_2(A_{1234}u) \\ & - \text{Li}_2(-A_{12s}u) - \text{Li}_2(-A_{s34}u) - \text{Li}_2(-A_{4t1}u) - \text{Li}_2(-A_{32t}u), \end{aligned}$$

where $A_{ijk} := A_i A_j A_k$, $A_{ijkl} := A_i A_j A_k A_l$.

New integral representation

A new integral representation Teschner, GV '12

$$\begin{aligned} \left\{ \begin{array}{ccc} \alpha_1 & \alpha_2 & \alpha_s \\ \alpha_3 & \alpha_4 & \alpha_t \end{array} \right\}_b &= \Delta(\alpha_s, \alpha_2, \alpha_1) \Delta(\alpha_4, \alpha_3, \alpha_s) \Delta(\alpha_t, \alpha_3, \alpha_2) \Delta(\alpha_4, \alpha_t, \alpha_1) \\ &\times \int du \mathcal{S}_b(u - \alpha_{12s}) \mathcal{S}_b(u - \alpha_{s34}) \mathcal{S}_b(u - \alpha_{23t}) \mathcal{S}_b(u - \alpha_{1t4}) \\ &\times \mathcal{S}_b(\alpha_{1234} - u) \mathcal{S}_b(\alpha_{st13} - u) \mathcal{S}_b(\alpha_{st24} - u) \mathcal{S}_b(2Q - u), \end{aligned}$$

where

▶ $\alpha_{ijk} = \alpha_i + \alpha_j + \alpha_k$, $\alpha_{ijkl} = \alpha_i + \alpha_j + \alpha_k + \alpha_l$.

▶

$$\begin{aligned} &\Delta(\alpha_3, \alpha_2, \alpha_1) \\ &= \left(\frac{\mathcal{S}_b(\alpha_1 + \alpha_2 + \alpha_s - Q)}{\mathcal{S}_b(\alpha_1 + \alpha_2 - \alpha_s) \mathcal{S}_b(\alpha_1 + \alpha_s - \alpha_2) \mathcal{S}_b(\alpha_2 + \alpha_s - \alpha_1)} \right)^{\frac{1}{2}}. \end{aligned}$$

- ▶ a contour \mathcal{C} which approaches $2Q + i\mathbb{R}$ near infinity, and passes the real axis in the interval $(3Q/2, 2Q)$.

Semiclassical limit

Let us reparameterize variables

$$e^{-2\pi i b \alpha_k + \pi i} \equiv A_k, \quad k \in \{1, 2, 3, 4, s, t\}.$$

Introducing $\nu := 2\pi b(u - Q/2)$ we get an integral of the form

$$I = D(\underline{\alpha}) \int_{c-Q/2} \frac{d\nu}{2\pi b} \mathcal{J}(a, b; \nu)$$

whose integrand $\mathcal{J}(a, b; \nu)$ has quasi-classical asymptotics

$$\mathcal{J}(a, b; \nu) = \exp\left(\frac{1}{2\pi b^2} U(e^{i\nu}, \underline{A})\right) \left(1 + \mathcal{O}(b^2)\right),$$

since $S_b(x)$ for $b \rightarrow 0$ is given as

$$S_b\left(\frac{\nu}{2\pi b}\right) = e^{-\frac{i}{2\pi b^2}\left(\frac{1}{4}\nu^2 - \frac{\pi}{2}\nu + \frac{1}{6}\pi^2\right)} \exp\left(-\frac{1}{2\pi i b^2} \text{Li}_2(e^{i\nu})\right) \left(1 + \mathcal{O}(b^2)\right).$$

b-6j symbol, identities

b-6j symbol satisfies

$$\begin{aligned} & \int_{\mathbb{Q}/2+i\mathbb{R}^+} d\mu(\delta_1) \left\{ \begin{matrix} \alpha_1 & \alpha_2 & \beta_1 \\ \alpha_3 & \beta_2 & \delta_1 \end{matrix} \right\}_b \left\{ \begin{matrix} \alpha_1 & \delta_1 & \beta_2 \\ \alpha_4 & \alpha_5 & \gamma_2 \end{matrix} \right\}_b \left\{ \begin{matrix} \alpha_2 & \alpha_3 & \delta_1 \\ \alpha_4 & \gamma_2 & \gamma_1 \end{matrix} \right\}_b \\ &= \left\{ \begin{matrix} \beta_1 & \alpha_3 & \beta_2 \\ \alpha_4 & \alpha_5 & \gamma_1 \end{matrix} \right\}_b \left\{ \begin{matrix} \alpha_1 & \alpha_2 & \beta_1 \\ \gamma_1 & \alpha_5 & \gamma_2 \end{matrix} \right\}_b, \\ & \int_{\mathbb{Q}/2+i\mathbb{R}^+} d\mu(\alpha_s) \left\{ \begin{matrix} \alpha_1 & \alpha_2 & \alpha_s \\ \alpha_3 & \alpha_4 & \alpha_t \end{matrix} \right\}_b^* \left\{ \begin{matrix} \alpha_1 & \alpha_2 & \alpha_s \\ \alpha_3 & \alpha_4 & \alpha'_t \end{matrix} \right\}_b = (M(\alpha_t))^{-1} \delta(\alpha_t - \alpha'_t), \end{aligned}$$

which together with the semiclassical limit $b \rightarrow 0$ suggests Turaev-Viro type state-sum models.

3d gauge theories on duality walls I

Recently a nice generalization of AGT duality was proposed
Drukker, Gaiotto, Gomis '10: one may consider two four-dimensional theories from class \mathcal{S} ($4d \mathcal{N} = 2$ SYM theories) on the upper- and lower semispheres of S^4 , respectively, coupled to a three-dimensional theory on the defect S^3 separating the two semi-spheres.

$$\int_{(Q/2+i\mathbb{R})^2} d\alpha_s d\alpha_t (\mathcal{G}_{\alpha_s}^{(s)}(A|Z))^* G_{\alpha_s \alpha_t} [\dots] \mathcal{G}_{\alpha_t}^{(t)}(A|Z').$$

PF for 3d $\mathcal{N} = 2$ SuSy theories

PF on S^3 Kapustin, Willett, Yaakov '10, Jafferis '10; Hama, Hosomichi, Lee '10 and PF on S_b^3

Hama, Hosomichi, Lee '11

$$Z(\underline{f}) = \int_{-i\infty}^{i\infty} \prod_{j=1}^{\text{rank } G} du_j J(\underline{u}) Z^{\text{vec}}(\underline{u}) \prod_l Z_{\Phi_l}^{\text{chir}}(\underline{f}, \underline{u}).$$

Here f_k are mass parameters of matter while u_j -variables – Weyl weights for the Cartan subalgebra of the gauge group G . For Chern-Simons theories one has $J(\underline{u}) = e^{-\pi i k \sum_{j=1}^{\text{rank } G} u_j^2}$, where k is the level of CS-term, and for SYM theories one has $J(\underline{u}) = e^{2\pi i \lambda \sum_{j=1}^{\text{rank } G} u_j}$, where λ is the Fayet-Iliopoulos term.

$$Z_{SU(2)}^{\text{vec}}(\underline{u}) = \frac{1}{S_b(\pm 2u)}.$$

3d gauge theories on duality walls, $N = 2^* \text{ I}$

Explicitly the above idea was checked only for 4d $\mathcal{N} = 2^*$ SYM theory where on the domain wall the so-called $T[SU(2)]$ theory lives. Explicit check of DGG idea [Hosomichi, Lee, Park '10](#). $3d - 3d$

relation [Terashima, Yamazaki '11](#); [Dimofte, Gukov '11](#); [Dimofte, Gaiotto, Gukov '11](#).

Here, $\mathcal{G}_{\alpha_s}^{(s)}(A|Z)$, $\mathcal{G}_{\alpha_t}^{(t)}(A|Z)$ are one-point CBs on a torus and $G_{\alpha_s \alpha_t}$ is the so-called S-kernel transformation [Teschner '03](#)

$$S = \frac{2^{3/2}}{S_b(m)} \int_{-i\infty}^{i\infty} \frac{S_b(Q/4 - \mu + m/2 \pm z)}{S_b(3Q/4 - \mu - m/2 \pm z)} e^{4\pi i \xi z} dz$$

3d gauge theories on duality walls, $N = 2^*$ II

There is an alternative interpretation in terms of 3d $\mathcal{N} = 2$ CS theory with $SU(2)$ gauge group and 4 quarks [Spiridonov, GV '11](#); [Teschner,](#)

[GV '12](#)

$$\int_{-i\infty}^{i\infty} \frac{S_b(Q/4 - \mu + m/2 \pm z)}{S_b(3Q/4 - \mu - m/2 \pm z)} e^{4\pi i \xi z} dz = \frac{1}{2} e^{2\pi i (\xi^2 - (\frac{Q}{4} + \frac{m}{2})^2 + \mu^2)}$$
$$\times S_b(Q/2 - m \pm 2\xi) \int_{-i\infty}^{i\infty} \frac{S_b(\frac{Q}{4} + \frac{m}{2} \pm \mu \pm \xi \pm y)}{S_b(\pm 2y)} e^{-2\pi i y^2} dy.$$

3d gauge theories on duality walls, $N_f = 4$ I

Now we consider $4d \mathcal{N} = 2$ SYM with $SU(2)$ gauge group and $N_f = 4$ hypermultiplets.

$$\int_{(\mathbb{Q}/2 + i\mathbb{R})^2} d\alpha_s d\alpha_t (\mathcal{G}_{\alpha_s}^{(s)}(A|Z))^* G_{\alpha_s \alpha_t} \begin{bmatrix} \alpha_3 & \alpha_2 \\ \alpha_4 & \alpha_1 \end{bmatrix} \mathcal{G}_{\alpha_t}^{(t)}(A|Z').$$

$\mathcal{G}_{\alpha_s}^{(s)}(A|Z)$, $\mathcal{G}_{\alpha_t}^{(t)}(A|Z)$ are four-point CBs on a sphere and $G_{\alpha_s \alpha_t}$ is the F -kernel.

3d gauge theories on duality walls, $N_f = 4$ II

The defined F -kernel/b-6j symbol is equal to [Teschner, GV '12](#)

$$\mathcal{A}_1 I \left(\begin{array}{ccc} \frac{Q - \alpha_t - \alpha_1 - \alpha_4}{2} + \alpha_s & \frac{3Q - \alpha_t - \alpha_1 - \alpha_4}{2} - \alpha_s & \frac{Q + \alpha_1 - \alpha_4 + \alpha_t}{2} - \alpha_3 \\ \frac{-Q - \alpha_1 + \alpha_4 + \alpha_t}{2} + \alpha_2 & \frac{Q - \alpha_1 + \alpha_4 + \alpha_t}{2} - \alpha_2 & \frac{-Q + \alpha_1 - \alpha_4 + \alpha_t}{2} + \alpha_3 \end{array} \right),$$

where

$$I \left(\begin{array}{ccc} \mu_1 & \mu_2 & \mu_3 \\ \mu_4 & \mu_5 & \mu_6 \end{array} \right) = \frac{1}{2} \int_{-i\infty}^{i\infty} \frac{\prod_{i=1}^6 \mathcal{S}_b(\mu_i \pm \alpha)}{\mathcal{S}_b(\pm 2\alpha)} d\alpha.$$

which is PF for 3d $\mathcal{N} = 2$ SYM theory with $SU(2)$ gauge group and 6 quarks.

Conclusion

- ▶ we found a new integral representation for b-6j symbol which
 1. defines a natural normalization from Liouville and Teichmüller theory (quantization of the Fenchel-Nielsen coordinates **Teschner's talk**);
 2. in a semiclassical limit reproduces the volume of a non-ideal tetrahedron;
- ▶ $3d \mathcal{N} = 2$ **non-abelian** theory arising on a domain wall of $4d \mathcal{N} = 2$ SYM theory with $SU(2)$ gauge group and $N_f = 4$ was identified;
- ▶ we construct $3d - 3d$ starting from non-ideal tetrahedrons.