

$$2 + 2 = 4$$

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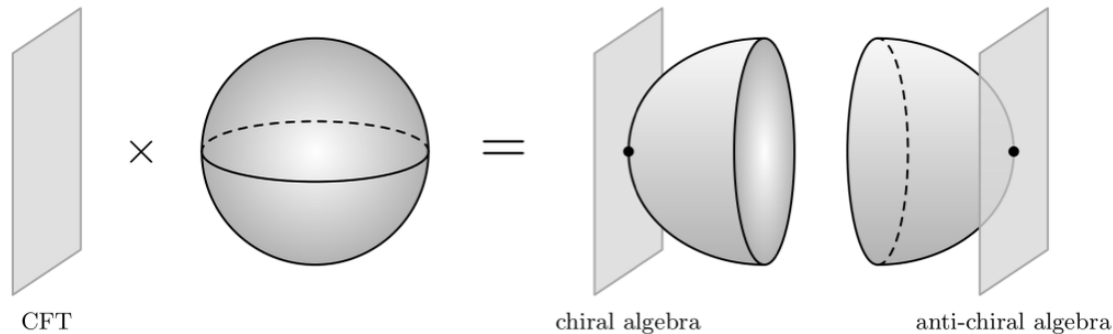
Motivations

- SCFT/VOA correspondence

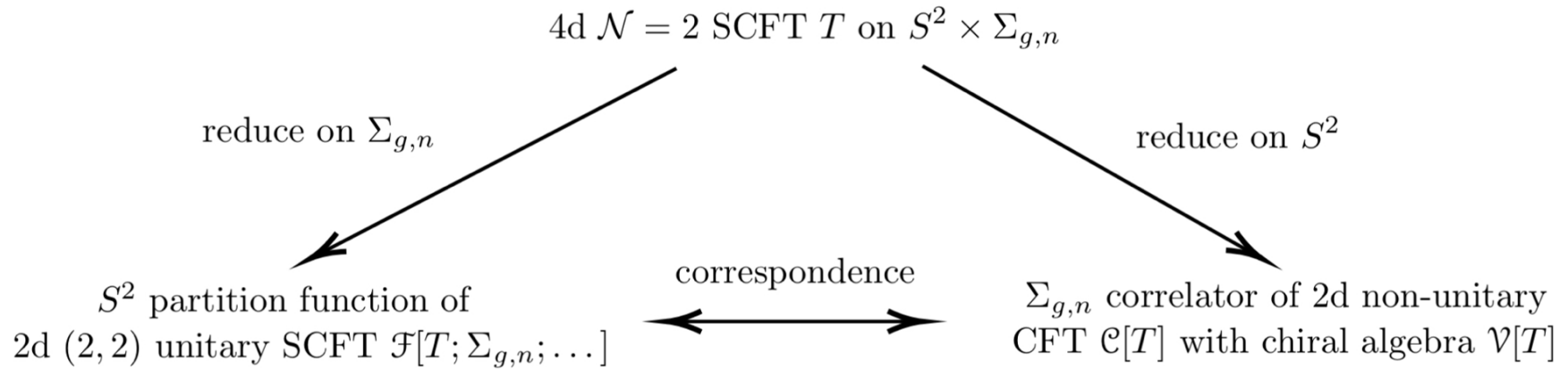
4d $\mathcal{N}=2$ SCFT $T \mapsto \mathcal{V}[T] \approx$ Schur sector of T

- Can we promote $\mathcal{V}[T]$ to full-fledged 2d CFT?

$T \mapsto \mathcal{C}[T]$ s.t. Chiral Algebra $(\mathcal{C}[T]) \approx \mathcal{V}[T]$

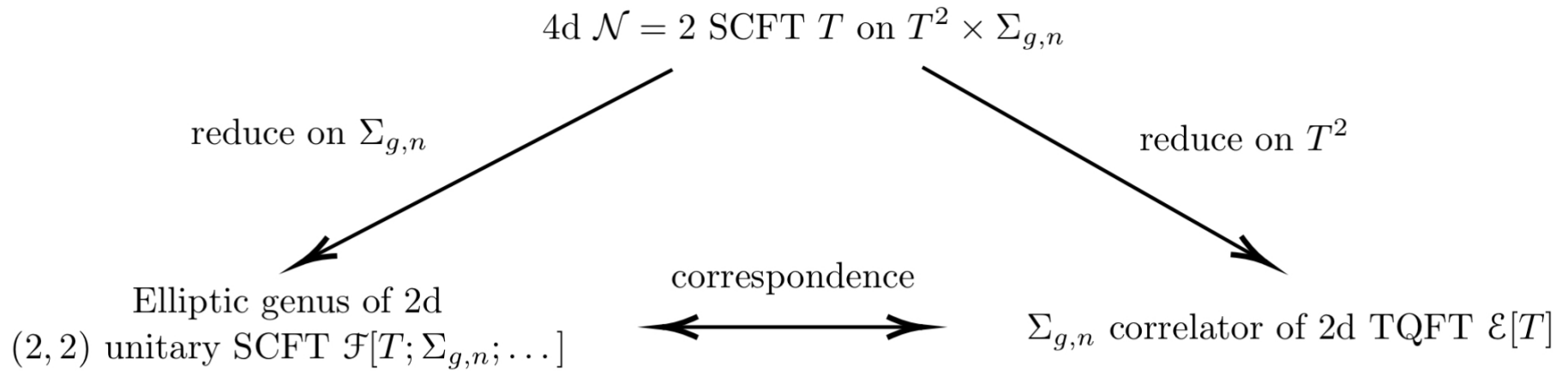


The Correspondence



4d	2d unitary	2d non-unitary
4d $\mathcal{N} = 2$ SCFT T	2d (2, 2) class \mathcal{F} theory	non-unitary CFT $\mathcal{C}[T]$ with chiral algebra $\mathcal{V}[T]$
$S^2_B \times \Sigma_{g,n}$ partition function	S^2_B partition function	n -point genus g correlator
$\mathbb{R}^2_\epsilon \times \Sigma_{g,n}$ partition function	vortex partition function	chiral conformal block of $\mathcal{V}[T]$
complex structure deformations of $\Sigma_{g,n}$	chiral exactly marginal parameters	complex structure deformations of spacetime
conformal manifold	twisted chiral exactly marginal parameters	—

The Correspondence with the elliptic genus



Building a Background

- Compactifications of 4d $\mathcal{N}=2$ SCFTs on $S^2 \times \Sigma$
 - ↳ Construct SUGRA backgrounds that include $SU(2)_R$ twist on Σ and preserve 4 supercharges

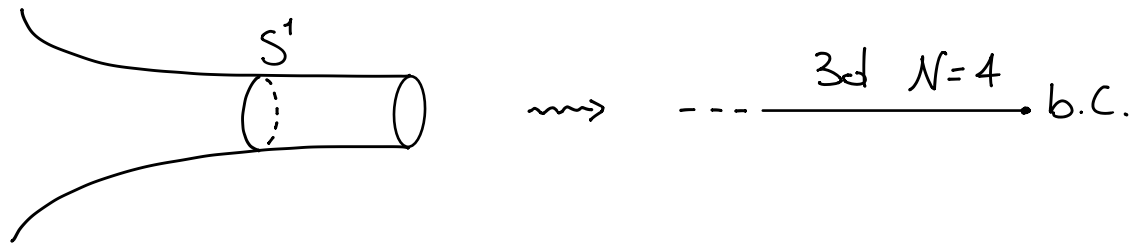
- Important choices to make

$$\begin{array}{l} \text{A-type background} \rightsquigarrow SU(2,1)_A \longrightarrow \mathcal{Z}_{S^2_A} \\ \text{B-type background} \rightsquigarrow SU(2,1)_B \longrightarrow \mathcal{Z}_{S^2_B} \end{array} \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{depends on conf. mtd. of } T \\ \text{not " " complex str. mod. on } \Sigma \end{array} \right.$$
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- \mathcal{Z} on $S^2 \times \Sigma \in \mathbb{C} \rightsquigarrow$ CFT \mathcal{C} non unitary!

Unitary Side

- 2d $\mathcal{N}=(2,2)$ theory $\mathcal{F}[T; \Sigma_{g,m}]$
- Punctures \rightsquigarrow B.C. of T reduced on a circle



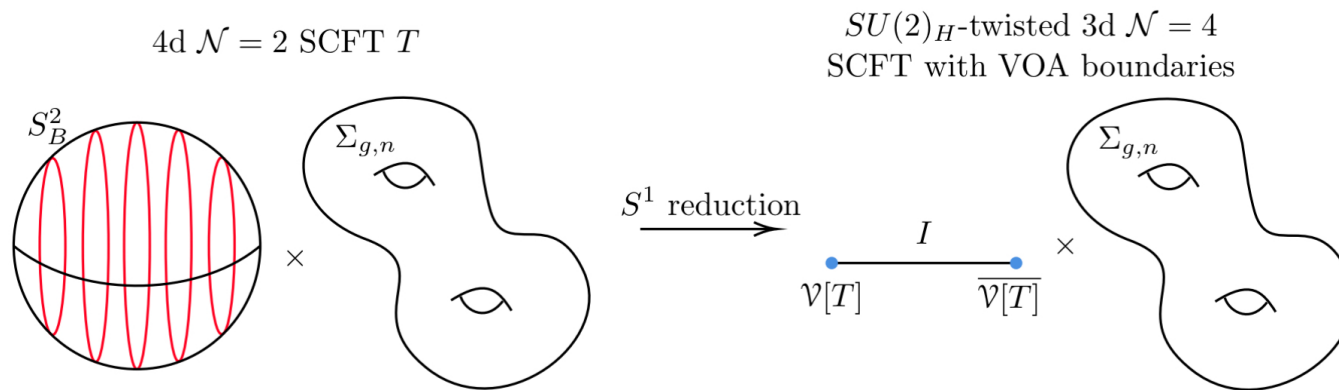
- Anomaly polynomial and central charges

$$I_4 = \chi(2a - c)[C_1^2(+)-C_1^2(-)] , \quad c_+ = c_- = 2\chi(2a - c) + \sum_i \Delta c_i n_i$$

- 2d Operators from 4d BPS spectrum \rightsquigarrow predictions for elliptic genus

Non Unitary Side

- Reduction of T on S^2
 \Rightarrow CFT $\mathcal{C}[T]$ on Σ by gluing $\mathcal{V}[T], \overline{\mathcal{V}}[T]$
- Punctures \rightarrow insertion of primary operators
- Construction from gluing hemispheres equivalent to S^2 reduction
 \rightsquigarrow Hemisphere (vortex) part. funct. \leftrightarrow Conf. blocks



An Example: $T = (A_1, A_2)$

- $T = (A_1, A_2)$ Argyres-Douglas theory

- no Higgs branch

- 1 Coulomb branch operator, $\Delta = \frac{6}{5}$

- $\mathcal{C}[(A_1, A_2)] = \mathcal{M}(2, 5)$ known

- Proposal for concrete Lagrangian description of $\mathcal{F}[(A_1, A_2), \Sigma_{0,m}]$

$\mathcal{F}[(A_1, A_2), \Sigma_{0,4}] = \text{GLSM w/ six twisted chirals + twisted } U(1) \text{ gauge field}$

↳ test with: - anomalies

- elliptic genus

- punctures \leftrightarrow operators in $\mathcal{M}(2, 5)$

Elliptic Genus and Gluing

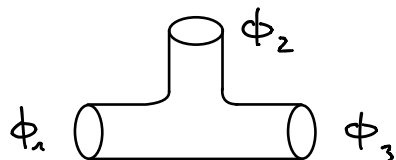
- One might expect a gluing prescription similar to Class S

↳ Clear from elliptic genus

- Elliptic genus of $\mathcal{F}[T, \Sigma]$ can be obtained from building blocks



propagator of $\mathcal{E}[T]$

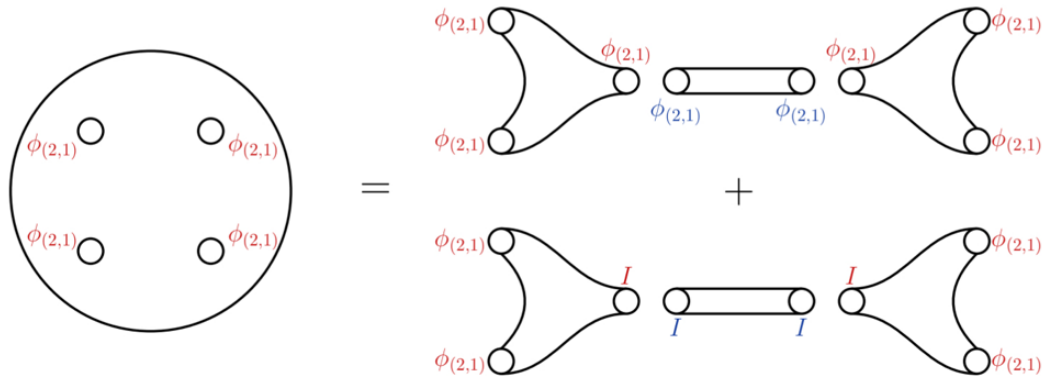


structure constants of $\mathcal{E}[T]$

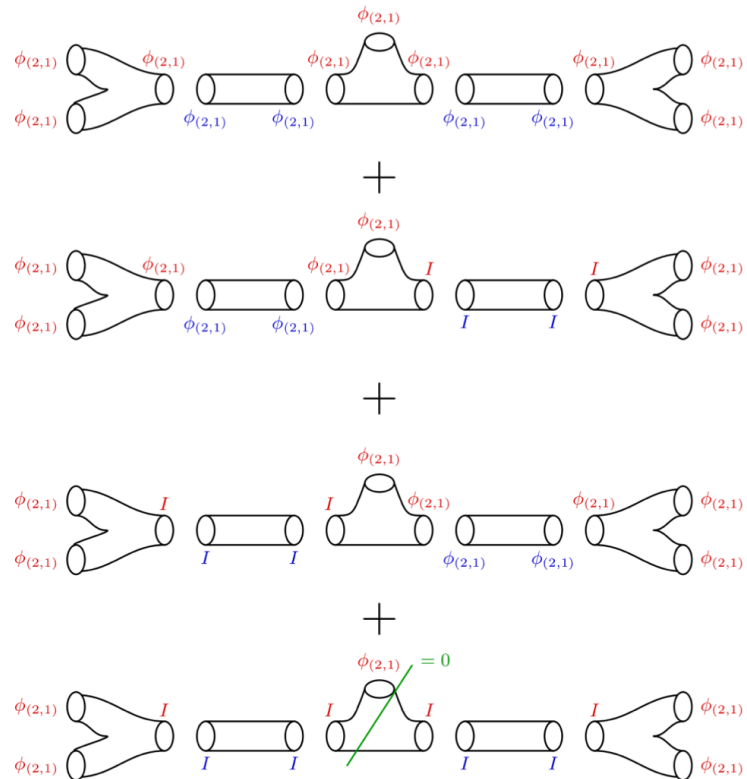
- For (A_1, A_2) C_{III} , $C_{\phi(2,1)II}$, $C_{\phi(2,1)\phi(2,1)I}$, $C_{\phi(2,1)\phi(2,1)\phi(2,1)}$ T_{II} , $T_{\phi(2,1)\phi(2,1)}$

- Gluing $= \sum_{\phi} \dots \text{---} \phi \text{---} \phi \text{---} \phi \text{---} \dots$

Nice Pictures

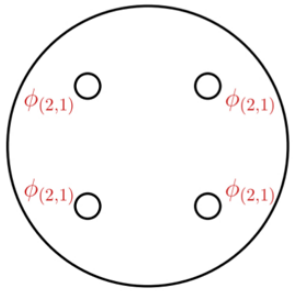


$$\mathcal{F}[(A_1, A_2), \Sigma_{0,4}]$$

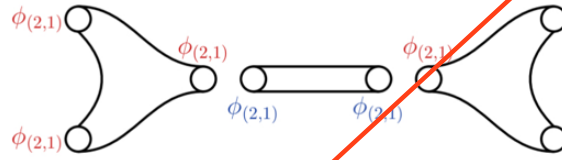


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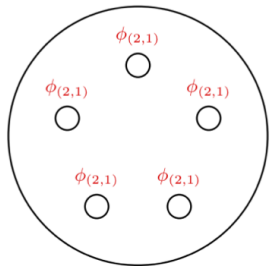
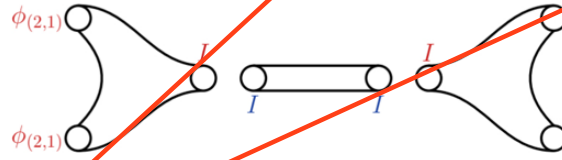
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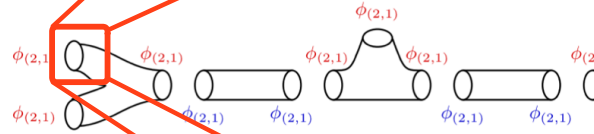
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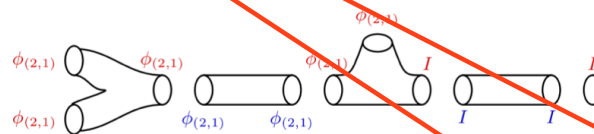
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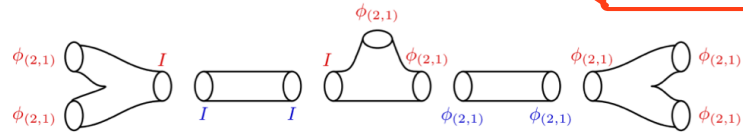
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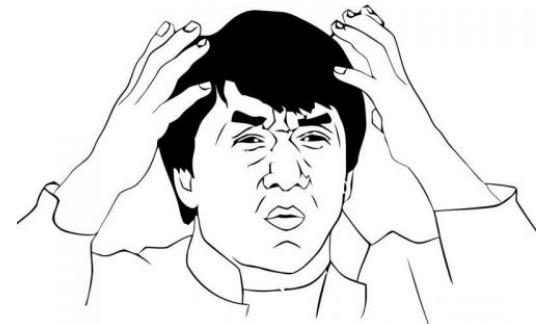
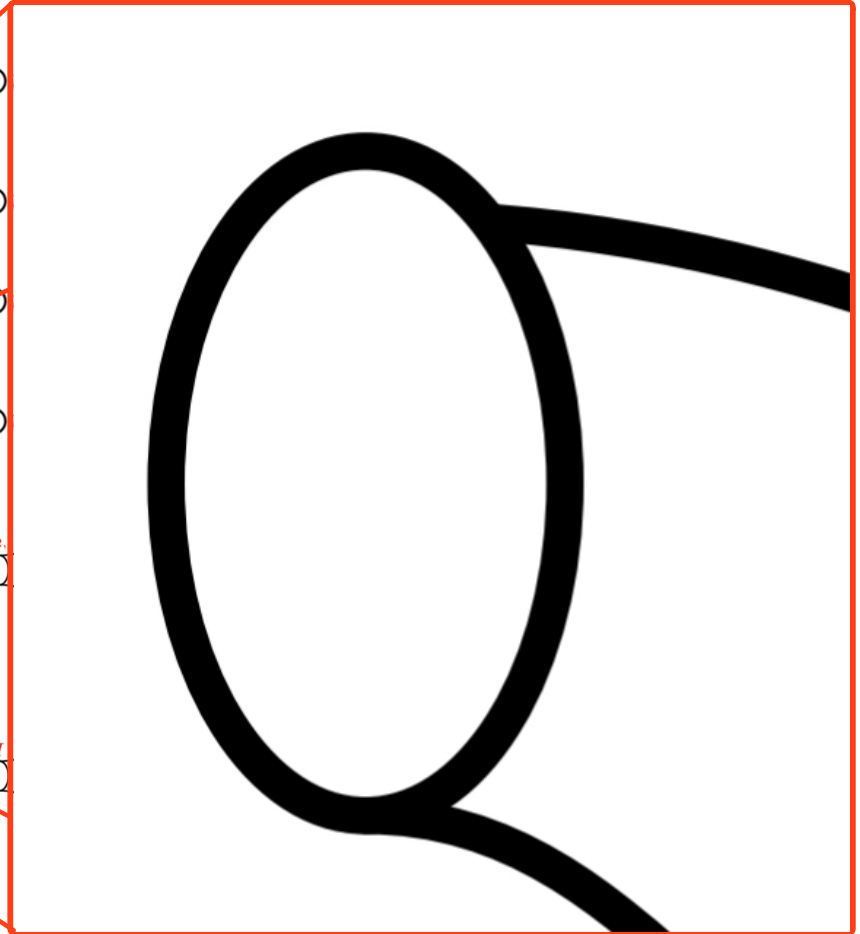
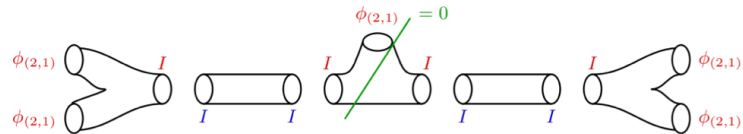
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Outlook

- Gluing picture in $\mathcal{F}[T, \Sigma]$ setup?
- Identify $\mathcal{E}[T]$
- A-type correspondence from $\widetilde{\mathcal{Z}}_{S^2_B}$
- More VOAs
- $6 = 4 + 2 = 2 + 2 + 2$
 $\Sigma_1 \times \Sigma_2 \times S^2$
- Interplay with holography

The End

Thank you

$$6=4+2$$

$$4=2+2$$

$$6=2+2+2$$

$$11=5+2+2+2$$

$$\infty=1+1+1+ \dots$$

