

BPS Modularity on Calabi-Yau threefolds

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- *"Indefinite theta series and generalized error functions"*, with S. Alexandrov, S. Banerjee, J. Manschot, *Selecta Math.* 24 (2018) 3927 [arXiv:1606.05495]
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- **BPS states** consist of D-branes, NS5-branes and KK-monopoles wrapped on subtori, and bound states thereof. They induce **instanton corrections** in one dimension lower, breaking the continuous $E_{d+1}(\mathbb{R})$ symmetry to an arithmetic subgroup.

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- Mathematically, the index $\Omega(\gamma)$ is given by a **reduced Donaldson-Thomas invariant** for the category of coherent sheaves on $X = T^6$. These invariants were computed rigorously for some choices of γ , though modularity and $E_7(\mathbb{Z})$ -duality remains mysterious. [Bryan Oberdieck Pandharipande Yin'15].

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- The case of type II strings compactified on $K3 \times T^2$ (or suitable orbifolds thereof) is richer. The duality group is enhanced from $O(3, 19, \mathbb{Z}) \times SL(2, \mathbb{Z})$ to $O(6, 22, \mathbb{Z}) \times SL(2, \mathbb{Z})$, or even $O(8, 24, \mathbb{Z})$ after reducing on a circle.
- The index $\Omega_z(\gamma)$ counting 1/4-BPS states is given by a Fourier coefficient of a **meromorphic Siegel modular form**, with a moduli-dependent integration contour. The index jumps when the contour crosses a pole, reflecting the (dis)appearance of **two-centered bound states** [Dijkgraaf Verlinde Verlinde'96; Cheng Verlinde'07]

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- In the **attractor chamber** where no bound states contribute, the index is given by a Fourier coefficient of a **mock modular form** [Dabholkar Murthy Zagier '12]. Its modular completion gives access to the asymptotics of $\Omega(\gamma) \sim e^{S_{BH}(\gamma)}$ as $|\gamma| \rightarrow \infty$.
- The index and integration contour can also be read off from non-perturbative corrections to $D^2\mathcal{F}^4$ couplings, given by some genus-two theta lift [Bossard Cosnier-Horeau BP'16-18].
- The prediction is confirmed by rigorous computations of reduced DT invariants for some γ [Bryan Oberdieck'18].

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- Can one determine $\Omega_z(\gamma)$ exactly for some range of γ and z ?

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- For $\gamma = (0, p^a, q_a, n)$ supported on an **ample divisor** \mathcal{D} of class $p^a\gamma_a$, the generating series

$$h_{p^a, q_a}(\tau) = \sum_n \Omega_\star(\gamma) q^{n - \frac{1}{2} q_a k^{ab} q_b}$$

should be a vector-valued **weakly holomorphic modular form** of weight $w = -\frac{1}{2}b_2 - 1$ and prescribed multiplier system.

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- This modularity constraint also follows from the fact that $Z_p = \sum_{q \in \Lambda^* / \Lambda} h_{p,q}(\tau) \Theta_q(\tau, \nu)$ coincides with the elliptic genus of the $(0, 4)$ superconformal field theory obtained by wrapping an M5-brane on \mathcal{D} [*Maldacena Strominger Witten '98*].

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- I will discuss later how to compute polar indices in some simple CY3 manifolds. For now, let me continue with the general story.

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- There exists explicit **non-holomorphic theta series** such that

$$\widehat{h}_p(\tau, \bar{\tau}) = h_p(\tau) + \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \sum_{p=\sum_{i=1}^n p_i} \Theta_n(\{p_i\}, \tau, \bar{\tau}) \prod_{i=1}^n h_{p_i}(\tau)$$

transforms as a modular form of weight $-\frac{1}{2}b_2(\mathcal{S}) - 1$. Moreover the completion satisfies an explicit **holomorphic anomaly equation**,

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- The operator $\partial_{\bar{\tau}}$ acts by sending $\Phi \rightarrow (x\partial_x - \lambda)\Phi$. Thus ϑ is holomorphic if Φ is homogeneous. But unless $r = 0$, $f(x)$ will fail to be integrable !

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The holomorphic theta series ϑ_ϕ and its modular completion $\vartheta_{\widehat{\Phi}}$ are key for understanding Ramanujan mock theta functions.

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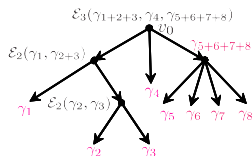
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- For applications to BPS indices, $(r, d - r) = (n - 1)(1, b_2(X) - 1)$.

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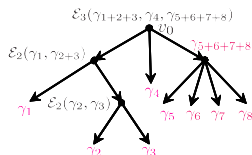
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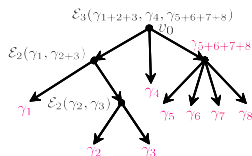
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Mock modularity for local CY I

- A class of (non-compact) CY threefolds with $b_4(X) = 1$ is obtained by taking the total space $X = K_S$ of the canonical bundle over a **complex Fano surface S** .
- The BPS index $\Omega_Z(\gamma)$ for $\gamma = (0, N, \mu, n)$ coincides with the **Vafa-Witten invariant**, given by (up to sign) by the Euler number of the moduli space $\mathcal{M}_{N, \mu, n}$ of semi-stable sheaves of rank N on S .
- Since $b_2^+(S) = 1$, the Vafa-Witten invariants depend on the Kähler form J on S . The large volume attractor point corresponds to the canonical polarization $J \propto c_1(S)$.
- The generating series

$$h_{N, \mu} = \sum \bar{\Omega}_*(0, N, \mu, n) q^{n - \frac{N-1}{2N} \mu^2 - N \frac{\chi(S)}{24}}$$

is invariant under $\mu \mapsto \mu + N$, and should transform as a vv mock modular form of weight $w = -1 - \frac{b_2(S)}{2}$ and depth $N - 1$.

Mock modularity for local CY II

- Similarly, the generating series $h_{N,\mu}(\tau, z)$ of **refined Vafa-Witten invariants**

$$\Omega_*(\gamma, y) = \sum_p (-y)^{p - \dim_{\mathbb{C}} \mathcal{M}} b_p(\mathcal{M})$$

with $y = e^{2\pi iz}$ (or rather its rational counterpart) is expected to transform as a vector-valued mock Jacobi form of weight $w = -\frac{b_2(S)}{2}$, index $m = -\frac{1}{6} K_S^2 (N^3 - N)$ and depth $N - 1$

Goettsche Kool 18; Alexandrov BP Manschot 19

- For $N = 1$, the generating series is manifestly modular [*Goettsche'90*],

$$h_{1,\mu}(\tau, z) = \frac{i}{\theta_1(\tau, 2z) \eta^{b_2(S)-1}} \xrightarrow{z \rightarrow 0} \frac{1}{4\pi iz} \frac{1}{\eta^{b_2(S)+2}}$$

Mock modularity for local CY III

- For $S = \mathbb{P}^2$, rank 2 Vafa-Witten invariants are related to Hurwitz class numbers [Klyachko'91, Yoshioka'94]

$$h_{2,\mu}(\tau) = \frac{3H_\alpha(\tau)}{\eta^6} \quad \begin{cases} H_0(\tau) = -\frac{1}{12} + \frac{1}{2}q + q^2 + \frac{4}{3}q^3 + \frac{3}{2}q^4 + \dots \\ H_1(\tau) = q^{\frac{3}{4}} \left(\frac{1}{3} + q + q^2 + 2q^3 + q^4 + \dots \right) \end{cases}$$

which is probably the simplest example of depth 1 mock modular form, with completion [Hirzebruch Zagier'75-76]

$$\hat{h}_{0,2}(\tau) = h_{0,2}(\tau) - \frac{3i}{4\sqrt{2\pi}\eta^6} \int_{-\bar{\tau}}^{i\infty} \frac{\sum_{m \in \mathbb{Z}} e^{2i\pi m^2 u} du}{[-i(\tau + u)]^{3/2}}$$

consistent with our general prescription.

- From the point of view of twisted $\mathcal{N} = 4$ Yang-Mills theory on S , the non-holomorphic contribution arises from the boundary of the space of flat connections where the holonomy becomes reducible

Vafa Witten 94; Dabholkar Putrov Witten '20

Mock modularity for local CY IV

- For $S = \mathbb{P}^2$, \mathbb{F}_0 or any other del Pezzo surface, the VW invariants can be obtained in principle for any rank N by a sequence of blow ups and wall-crossings. Alternatively, one can relate them to DT invariants for a suitable quiver associated to an exceptional collection on S .
- Using our general prescription, one can easily obtain the modular completion of the generating series. Moreover, with some ingenuity one can produce explicit solutions for all N , which (conjecturally) provide VW invariants for any del Pezzo surface and any rank [*Alexandrov'20*].
- Having the modular completion, one can apply Rademacher's circle method to extract the asymptotics of VW invariants as the instanton number n goes to infinity [*Bringmann Manschot'13, Bringmann Nazaroglu'18*]

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- Thus $h_{1,\mu}$ is uniquely determined by the polar coefficients $\Omega(0, 1, \mu, n < \frac{\chi(\mathcal{D})}{24} - \frac{\mu^2}{2\kappa} - \frac{\mu}{2}$. However, the dimension $d_1 = n_1 - C_1$ of the space of modular forms may be smaller than the number n_1 of polar coefficients ! [*Gaiotto Strominger Yin '06-07; Manschot Moore'07*]

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CICY	$\chi(X)$	κ	$c_2(TX)$	$\chi(\mathcal{O}_D)$	n_1	C_1
$X_5(1^5)$	-200	5	50	5	7	0
$X_6(1^4, 2)$	-204	3	42	4	4	0
$X_8(1^4, 4)$	-296	2	44	4	4	0
$X_{10}(1^3, 2, 5)$	-288	1	34	3	2	0
$X_{4,3}(1^5, 2)$	-156	6	48	5	9	0
$X_{4,4}(1^4, 2^2)$	-144	4	40	4	6	1
$X_{6,2}(1^5, 3)$	-256	4	52	5	7	0
$X_{6,4}(1^3, 2^2, 3)$	-156	2	32	3	3	0
$X_{6,6}(1^2, 2^2, 3^2)$	-120	1	22	2	1	0
$X_{3,3}(1^6)$	-144	9	54	6	14	1
$X_{4,2}(1^6)$	-176	8	56	6	15	1
$X_{3,2,2}(1^7)$	-144	12	60	7	21	1
$X_{2,2,2,2}(1^8)$	-128	16	64	8	33	3

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- Assuming that all polar coefficients come from two-centered bound states of a $D6 - qD2 - nD0$ and $\overline{D6}$ with -1 unit of flux, we predict [Alexandrov Gaddam Manschot BP'22, Collinucci Wyder'09]

$$\Omega(0, 1, q, n) = (-1)^{\chi(\mathcal{O}_{\mathcal{D}}) - q - n + 1} (\chi(\mathcal{O}_{\mathcal{D}}) - q - n) DT(q, n)$$

with $DT(0, 0) = 1$ (Recall $\Delta\Omega = (-1)^{\langle\gamma_1, \gamma_2\rangle + 1} |\langle\gamma_1, \gamma_2\rangle| \Omega(\gamma_1)\Omega(\gamma_2)$)

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Alas, mathematical results [*Feyzbakhsh and Thomas'21-22*] give instead

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off by one from our Ansatz, as suggested by [*van Herck Wyder'09*]

Rank 0 DT invariants from GV invariants I

- By exploiting wall-crossing and vanishing theorems (in particular a **Bogomolov-Gieseker-type inequality** on Chern classes of stable coherent sheaves), [Feyzbakhsh Thomas'20-22] show that rank 0 DT invariants (counting D4-D2-D0 bound states) can be expressed in terms of rank 1 DT/PT invariants, in turn related to GV invariants.
- Specifically, for $\gamma = (0, 1, q, n)$ and (q, n) 'large enough',

$$PT(q, n) = (-1)^{\chi(\mathcal{O}_X(H), \gamma)+1} \chi(\mathcal{O}_X(H), \gamma) \Omega(\gamma)$$

Using spectral flow invariance, one obtains for m large enough

$$\Omega(\gamma) = \frac{(-1)^{1+\chi(\mathcal{O}_X(1-m), \gamma)}}{\chi(\mathcal{O}_X(1-m), \gamma)} PT(\mu', n') \quad \begin{cases} q' = q + \kappa m \\ n' = n - mq - \frac{\kappa}{2} m(m+1) \end{cases}$$

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- Note that [*Feyzbakhsh'22*] also proves an analogue of our $D6 - \overline{D6}$ ansatz, but under very restrictive conditions satisfied only by the most polar terms.

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- Finally, let us discuss D4-D2-D0 indices with $N = 2$ units of D4-brane charge. In that case, the generating series $\{h_{2,q}, q \in \mathbb{Z}/(2\kappa\mathbb{Z})\}$ should transform as a vector-valued modular form of weight $-\frac{3}{2}$, with modular completion

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where

$$\Theta_q^{(\kappa)} = \frac{(-1)^q}{8\pi} \sum_{k \in 2\kappa\mathbb{Z}+q} |k| \beta_{\frac{3}{2}}\left(\frac{\tau_2 k^2}{\kappa}\right) e^{-\frac{\pi i \tau}{2\kappa} k^2},$$

with $\beta_{\frac{3}{2}}(x^2) = 2|x|^{-1} e^{-\pi x^2} - 2\pi \operatorname{Erfc}(\sqrt{\pi}|x|)$, such that

$$\partial_{\bar{\tau}} \Theta_q^{(\kappa)} = \frac{(-1)^q \sqrt{\kappa}}{16\pi i \tau_2^{3/2}} \sum_{k \in 2\kappa\mathbb{Z}+q} e^{\frac{\pi i \bar{\tau}}{2\kappa} k^2}$$

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- To construct $g_q^{(\kappa)}$, notice that for κ prime, $\Theta_q^{(\kappa)}$ is obtained from $\Theta_q^{(1)}$ by acting with the **Hecke-type operator** [Bouchard Creutzig Diaconescu Doran Quigley Sheshmani'16]

$$(\mathcal{T}_\kappa[\phi])_q(\tau) = \frac{1}{\kappa} \sum_{\substack{a,d>0 \\ ad=\kappa}} \left(\frac{\kappa}{d}\right)^{w+\frac{1}{2}D} \delta_\kappa(q, d) \sum_{b=0}^{d-1} e^{-\pi i \frac{b}{a} q^2} \phi_{dq} \left(\frac{a\tau+b}{d}\right),$$

with $q \in \Lambda^*/\Lambda(\kappa)$ and $\delta_\kappa(q, d) = 1$ if $q \in \Lambda^*/\Lambda(d)$ and 0 otherwise.

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- The vv modular form $\tilde{h}_{2,q}$ is uniquely specified by its polar terms (n_2 of them in the table below), but those must satisfy constraints for such a form to exist (C_2 of them), and integrality is not guaranteed !

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CICY	χ	κ	c_2	$\chi(\mathcal{O}_{2D})$	n_2	C_2
$X_5(1^5)$	-200	5	50	15	36	1
$X_6(1^4, 2)$	-204	3	42	11	19	1
$X_8(1^4, 4)$	-296	2	44	10	14	1
$X_{10}(1^3, 2, 5)$	-288	1	34	7	7	0
$X_{4,3}(1^5, 2)$	-156	6	48	16	42	0
$X_{4,4}(1^4, 2^2)$	-144	4	40	12	25	1
$X_{6,2}(1^5, 3)$	-256	4	52	14	30	1
$X_{6,4}(1^3, 2^2, 3)$	-156	2	32	8	11	1
$X_{6,6}(1^2, 2^2, 3^2)$	-120	1	5	2	5	0
$X_{3,3}(1^6)$	-144	9	54	21	78	3
$X_{4,2}(1^6)$	-176	8	56	20	69	3
$X_{3,2,2}(1^7)$	-144	12	60	26	117	0
$X_{2,2,2,2}(1^8)$	-128	16	64	32	185	4

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$$\Omega(0, N, q, n) \stackrel{?}{=} (-1)^{\chi(\mathcal{O}_{ND}) - Nq - n + 1} (\chi(\mathcal{O}_{ND}) - Nq - n) DT(q, n)$$

but the resulting polar terms are not compatible with mock-modularity or integrality...

Conclusion I

- The existence of an isometric action of S-duality on the vector-multiplet moduli space in $D = 3$, leads to strong modularity constraints on **rank 0 DT invariants** in the large volume limit.
- For $\rho = \sum_{i=1}^n p_i$ the sum of n irreducible divisors, the generating function h_ρ is a **mock modular form of depth $n - 1$** , with an explicit shadow. From the knowledge of polar coefficients, one can in principle reconstruct all invariants. But computing those is hard !
- A mathematical understanding of the origin of **modularity** and a better understanding of the physical origin of the **non-holomorphic contributions**, would be highly desirable.
- Mock modularity affects the growth of Fourier coefficients, hence the microscopic entropy of supersymmetric black holes. It should have an imprint on the macroscopic side as well...

Thanks for your attention !

