

# Modular structure of Type II low energy expansion

Lecture III: Applications

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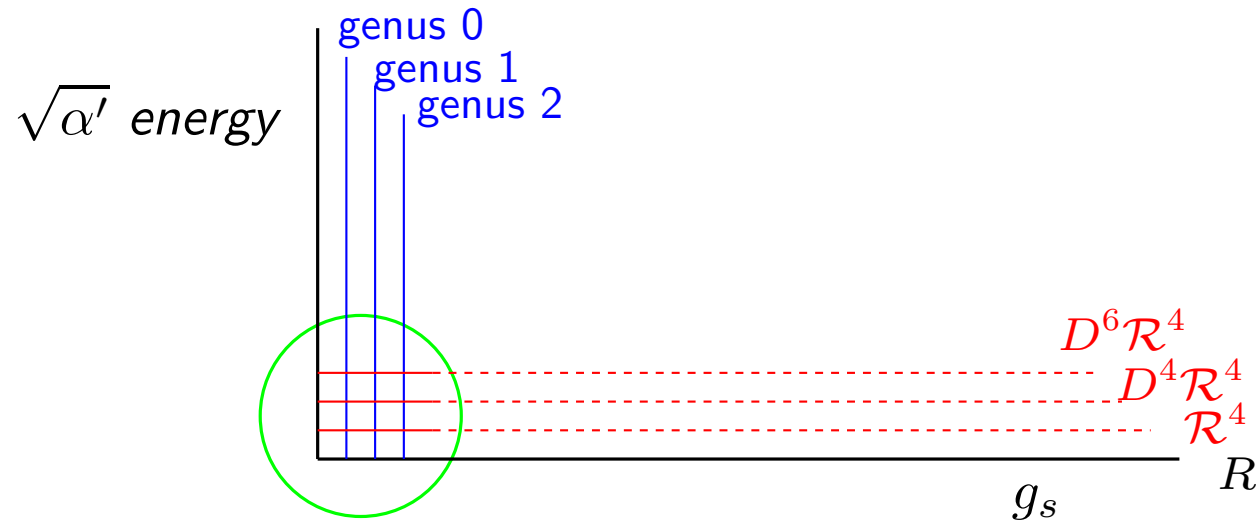


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## Expansions of Type II Superstring Theory



- **Superstring Perturbation Theory in powers of  $g_s$** 
  - holds for weak coupling  $g_s$
  - but for all energies
- **Classical supergravity “ $R$ ”**
  - leading low energy expansion of string theory
  - holds for all couplings  $g_s$
- **String induced effective interactions  $\mathcal{R}^4, D^4\mathcal{R}^4, D^6\mathcal{R}^4$** 
  - Evaluated in perturbation theory for  $g_s \ll 1$

## Effective Interactions

- Four-graviton amplitude in Type II at genus 0,

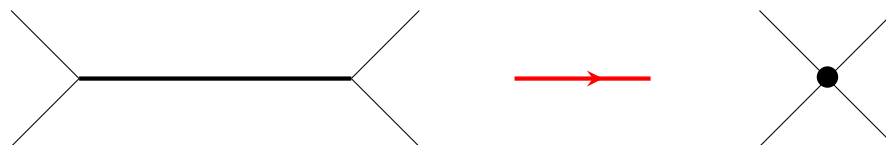
$$\mathcal{A}^{(0)} = \mathcal{R}^4 \frac{1}{stu} \frac{\Gamma(1-s)\Gamma(1-t)\Gamma(1-u)}{\Gamma(1+s)\Gamma(1+t)\Gamma(1+u)}$$

- $\mathcal{R}^4$  = unique maximally supersymmetric contraction of 4 Weyl tensors
  - External momenta  $k_i$  for  $i = 1, 2, 3, 4$  with  $k_i^2 = 0$  and  $\sum_i k_i = 0$
  - Introduce dimensionless Lorentz-invariants  $s_{ij} = -\alpha' k_i \cdot k_j / 2$
  - $s = s_{12} = s_{34}$ ,  $t = s_{13} = s_{24}$ ,  $u = s_{14} = s_{23}$  with  $s + t + u = 0$
- Low energy expansion corresponds to  $|s|, |t|, |u| \ll 1$

$$\frac{1}{stu} + 2\zeta(3) + \zeta(5)(s^2 + t^2 + u^2) + 2\zeta(3)^2 stu + \dots$$

massless
 $\mathcal{R}^4$ 
 $D^4\mathcal{R}^4$ 
 $D^6\mathcal{R}^4$

Exchange of massive string states produces local effective interactions.



## Focus of this talk

- **Effective interaction of the form  $D^{2w}\mathcal{R}^4$ ,  $w \in \mathbb{N}$** 
  - accessible from the 4-graviton amplitudes
  - arising from surfaces of genus-one;
  - arising from surfaces of genus-two.
- **In both cases, we will find that the integrands on moduli space**
  - ★ of compact Riemann surfaces (without punctures),
  - ★ having integrated over all vertex operator positions,

**obey families of inhomogeneous Laplace-eigenvalue equations;**

  - Genus-one: Kronecker-Eisenstein series;
  - Genus-two: “Zhang-Kawazumi-invariant” and generalizations thereof.
- **Remarks on S-duality in Type IIB and non-perturbative effects**

## Genus-one effective interactions in Type II

- Start with the Type II genus-one four-graviton amplitude,

$$\mathcal{A}_4^{(1)}(s, t, u) = \mathcal{R}^4 \int_{\mathcal{M}_1} \frac{d^2\tau}{\tau_2^2} \mathcal{B}^{(1)}(s, t, u|\tau)$$

$$\mathcal{M}_1 = \left\{ \tau = \tau_1 + i\tau_2, \tau_{1,2} \in \mathbb{R}, \tau_2 > 0, |\tau| \geq 1, |\tau_1| \leq \frac{1}{2} \right\}$$

- $\mathcal{B}^{(1)}$  is an integral over four copies of the torus  $\Sigma$  of modulus  $\tau$ ,

$$\mathcal{B}^{(1)}(s, t, u|\tau) = \left( \prod_{i=1}^4 \int_{\Sigma} \frac{d^2z_i}{\tau_2} \right) \exp \left\{ \sum_{1 \leq i < j \leq 4} s_{ij} G(z_i - z_j|\tau) \right\}$$

$G(z|\tau)$  is the scalar Green function on  $\Sigma$  with modulus  $\tau$

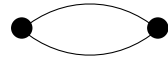
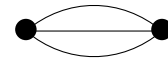
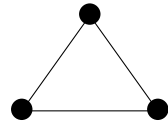
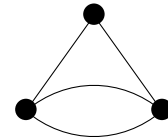
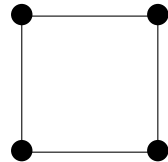
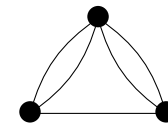
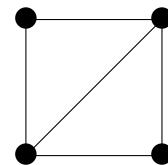
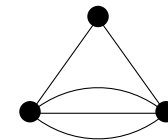
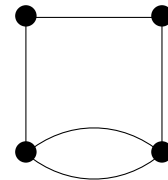
- parametrizing the torus by  $z = \alpha + \beta\tau$  with  $\alpha, \beta \in \mathbb{R}/\mathbb{Z}$
- $G$  is given by a Fourier sum of torus momenta  $(m, n) \in \mathbb{Z}^2$

$$G(z|\tau) = \sum_{(m,n) \neq (0,0)} \frac{\tau_2}{\pi |m\tau + n|^2} e^{2\pi i(m\alpha - n\beta)}$$

## Worldsheet Feynman diagrams

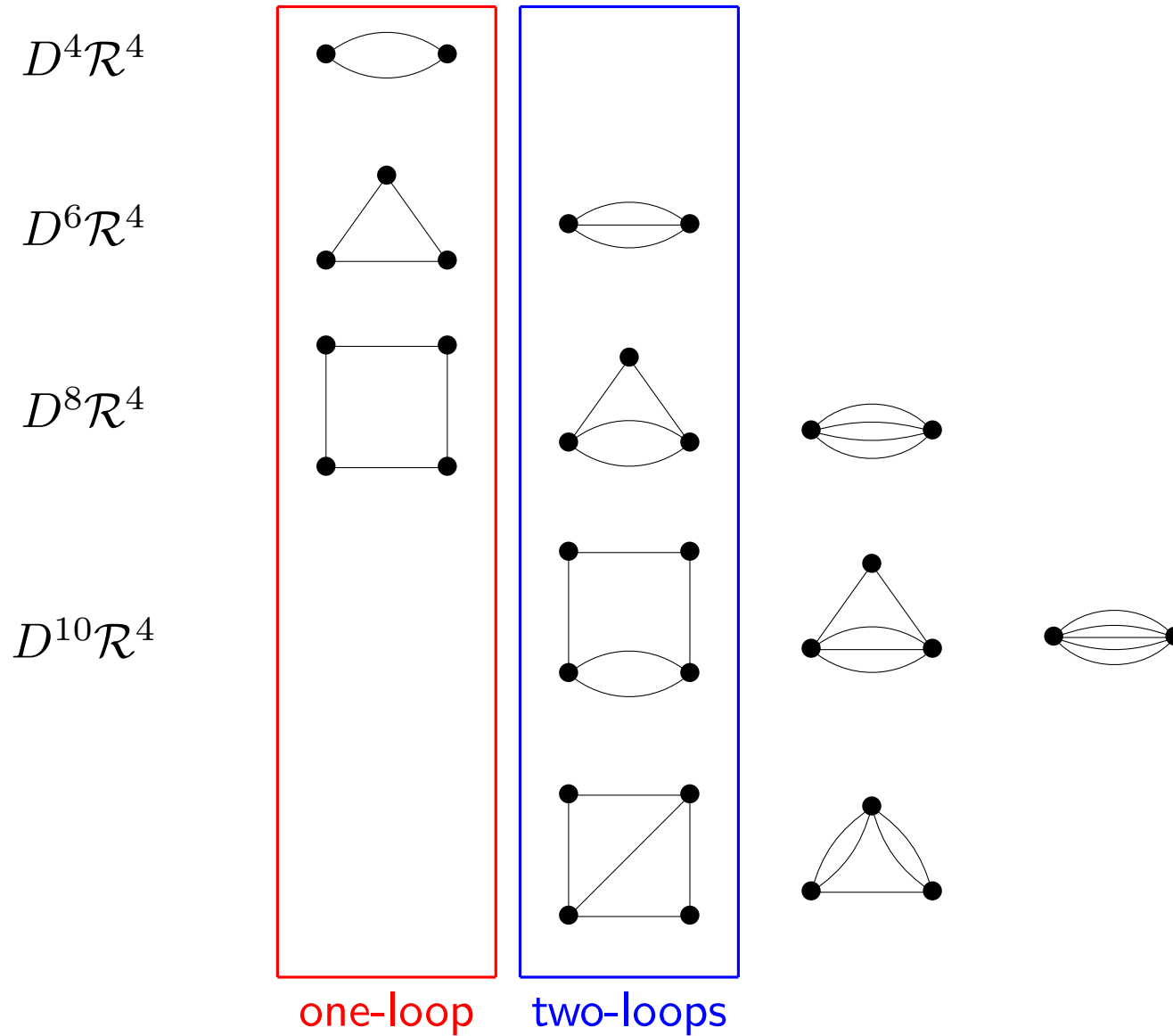
- **Expansion of  $\mathcal{B}^{(1)}$  for fixed  $\tau$  in powers of  $s_{ij}$** 
  - finite radius of convergence  $|s_{ij}| < 1$
  - integrals  $\int_{\Sigma^4} G^n$  are convergent
- **Expansion organized in “worldsheet Feynman diagrams”**
  - Each integration point  $z_i$  on  $\Sigma$  is represented by a vertex;
  - Each Green function  $G(z_i - z_j|\tau)$  by a line  $\text{---}$  between  $z_i$  and  $z_j$ ;
  - One-line reducible diagrams (disconnected upon cutting one line) vanish by  $\int_{\Sigma} d^2z G(z|\tau) = 0$
  - A diagram with  $w$  lines of  $G$ ,
    - ★ has *weight*  $w$ ;
    - ★ contributes to  $D^{2w}\mathcal{R}^4$ .

# Worldsheet Feynman diagrams (connected, 1-line irreducible)

 $D^4\mathcal{R}^4$ 

 $D^6\mathcal{R}^4$ 

 $D^8\mathcal{R}^4$ 

 $D^{10}\mathcal{R}^4$ 




# Worldsheet Feynman diagrams (connected, 1-line irreducible)



## One-loop : Eisenstein series

- One-loop worldsheet Feynman diagram with  $k$ -vertices

$$\prod_{i=1}^k \int_{\Sigma} \frac{d^2 z_i}{\tau_2} G(z_i - z_{i+1} | \tau) = \sum_{(m,n) \neq (0,0)} \frac{\tau_2^k}{\pi^k |m\tau + n|^{2k}}$$

- Non-holomorphic Eisenstein series are defined by,

$$E_s(\tau) = \sum_{(m,n) \neq (0,0)} \frac{\tau_2^s}{\pi^s |m\tau + n|^{2s}}$$

- Properties

- absolutely convergent for  $\text{Re}(s) > 1$ ; analytically continue to  $s \in \mathbb{C}$
- reflection relation  $\Gamma(s)E_s(\tau) = \Gamma(1-s)E_{1-s}(\tau)$
- modular invariant under  $SL(2, \mathbb{Z})$ ,  $E_s(\tau') = E_s(\tau)$  with  $\tau' = \frac{a\tau+b}{c\tau+d}$
- Laplace-eigenvalue equation,

$$\left( \Delta - s(s-1) \right) E_s = 0 \quad \Delta = 4\tau_2^2 \partial_{\tau} \partial_{\bar{\tau}}$$

## Two-loops : Kronecker-Eisenstein series

- **Two-loop Feynman diagrams evaluate to the series**  
(all worldsheet two-loop diagrams are of this type)

$$C_{a_1, a_2, a_3}(\tau) = \sum_{(m_r, n_r) \neq (0, 0)} \delta_{m, 0} \delta_{n, 0} \prod_{r=1}^3 \left( \frac{\tau_2}{\pi |m_r \tau + n_r|^2} \right)^{a_r}$$

- The total worldsheet momenta must vanish by  $\delta_{m, 0} \delta_{n, 0}$   
 $m = m_1 + m_2 + m_3 = 0,$   
 $n = n_1 + n_2 + n_3 = 0$
- the *weight* is  $w = a_1 + a_2 + a_3$ ;
- For our diagrams we have integer  $a_r \geq 1$  and the sums converge;
- $C_{a_1, a_2, a_3}(\tau)$  is a modular function under  $SL(2, \mathbb{Z})$ ;
- $C_{a_1, a_2, a_3}(\tau)$  is invariant under permutations of  $a_1, a_2, a_3$ .

## Laplacian on moduli space

- Structure of the space of Kronecker-Eisenstein series  $C_{a,b,c}(\tau)$  ?
- Tool : The Laplacian  $\Delta = 4\tau_2^2 \partial_\tau \partial_{\bar{\tau}}$  acts algebraically on the space of  $C_{a,b,c}$ .

$$\begin{aligned} \Delta C_{a,b,c} = & ab C_{a+1,b-1,c} + \frac{1}{2} ab C_{a+1,b+1,c-2} - 2ab C_{a+1,b,c-1} \\ & + \frac{1}{2} a(a-1) C_{a,b,c} + 5 \text{ permutations of } (a,b,c) \end{aligned}$$

- proven by differentiating term by term and using algebraic rearrangements;
- $\Delta$  preserves the “weight”  $w = a + b + c$ .


- One of the subscript indices on the right side may equal 0 or  $-1$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} C_{a,b,0} &= E_a E_b - E_{a+b} & a+b &\geq 3 \\ C_{a,b,-1} &= E_{a-1} E_b + E_a E_{b-1} & a,b &\geq 2 \end{aligned}$$

- $E_1$  diverges logarithmically, but cancels out in  $\Delta C_{a,b,c}$ .

## Examples at low weight $w$

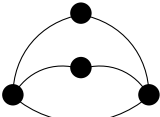
- We find inhomogeneous Laplace-eigenvalue equations,

$$w = 3 \quad C_{1,1,1} = \text{---} \text{---} \text{---} \quad \Delta C_{1,1,1} = 6E_3$$


- Use  $\Delta E_3 = 6E_3$  to get  $\Delta(C_{1,1,1} - E_3) = 0$ ;
- constant determined from asymptotics  $C_{1,1,1} = E_3 + \zeta(3)$   
(obtained earlier by Zagier using direct calculation of sums)

$$w = 4 \quad C_{2,1,1} = \text{---} \text{---} \text{---} \quad (\Delta - 2)C_{2,1,1} = 9E_4 - E_2^2$$


$$w = 5 \quad C_{3,1,1} = \text{---} \text{---} \text{---} \quad (\Delta - 6)C_{3,1,1} = 3C_{2,2,1} + 16E_5 - 4E_2E_3$$


$$w = 5 \quad C_{2,2,1} = \text{---} \text{---} \text{---} \quad (\Delta - 0)C_{2,2,1} = 8E_5$$


- Note eigenvalues of the form  $s(s - 1)$  for  $s = 1, 2, 3$ ;

## Structure Theorem for $C_{a,b,c}$ modular functions

- $C_{a,b,c}(\tau)$  are linear combinations of modular functions  $\mathfrak{C}_{w;s;p}(\tau)$  satisfying

$$(\Delta - s(s-1))\mathfrak{C}_{w;s;p} = \mathfrak{F}_{w;s;p}(E_{s'})$$

- $\mathfrak{C}_{w;s;p}$  and  $\mathfrak{F}_{w;s;p}$  of weight  $w = a + b + c$  (with  $E_{s'}$  assigned weight  $s'$ );
- $\mathfrak{F}$  is a polynomial of total degree 2 in  $E_{s'}$  with  $2 \leq s' \leq w$ ;

$$s = w - 2m \quad m = 1, \dots, \left\lfloor \frac{w-1}{2} \right\rfloor \quad p = 0, \dots, \left\lfloor \frac{s-1}{3} \right\rfloor$$

- Examples at low weight

$w = 3$	$s = 1$	$0^{(1)}$
$w = 4$	$s = 2$	$2^{(1)}$
$w = 5$	$s = 1, 3$	$0^{(1)} \oplus 6^{(1)}$
$w = 6$	$s = 2, 4$	$2^{(1)} \oplus 12^{(2)}$
$w = 7$	$s = 1, 3, 5$	$0^{(1)} \oplus 6^{(1)} \oplus 20^{(2)}$
$w = 8$	$s = 2, 4, 6$	$2^{(1)} \oplus 12^{(2)} \oplus 30^{(2)}$
$w = 9$	$s = 1, 3, 5, 7$	$0^{(1)} \oplus 6^{(1)} \oplus 20^{(2)} \oplus 42^{(3)}$

## The generating function

- A natural generating function is given by,

$$\mathcal{W}(t_1, t_2, t_3 | \tau) = \sum_{a,b,c=1}^{\infty} t_1^{a-1} t_2^{b-1} t_3^{c-1} C_{a,b,c}(\tau)$$

Summing gives a Feynman diagram for three scalars with masses  $M_r^2 = -t_r \tau_2$ ,

$$\mathcal{W}(t_1, t_2, t_3 | \tau) = \sum_{(m_r, n_r) \neq (0,0)} \delta_{m,0} \delta_{n,0} \prod_{r=1}^3 \left( \frac{\tau_2}{\pi |m_r \tau + n_r|^2 - t_r \tau_2} \right)$$

- Algebraic representation of Laplacian induces differential action on  $\mathcal{W}$ ,

$$\Delta \mathcal{W} - \mathcal{L}^2 \mathcal{W} = \mathfrak{R}$$

$$\mathcal{D} = t_1 \partial_1 + t_2 \partial_2 + t_3 \partial_3$$

$$\mathcal{L}^2 = \mathcal{D}^2 + \mathcal{D} + (t_1^2 + t_2^2 + t_3^2 - 2t_1 t_2 - 2t_2 t_3 - 2t_3 t_1)(\partial_1 \partial_2 + \partial_2 \partial_3 + \partial_3 \partial_1)$$

$$\mathfrak{R} = \text{quadratic polynomial in the Eisenstein series } E_s'$$

## Proof via generating function

- **Permutations of  $(a, b, c)$  induces permutations of  $(t_1, t_2, t_3)$**

- $\mathfrak{S}_3$  adapted coordinates,

$$\begin{aligned} u &= t_1 + t_2 + t_3 & \varepsilon &= e^{2\pi i/3} \\ v/\sqrt{2} &= t_1 + \varepsilon t_2 + \varepsilon^2 t_3 & (t_1, t_3, t_2)(u, v, \bar{v}) &= (u, \bar{v}, v) \\ \bar{v}/\sqrt{2} &= t_1 + \varepsilon^2 t_2 + \varepsilon t_3 & (t_2, t_3, t_1)(u, v, \bar{v}) &= (u, \varepsilon^2 v, \varepsilon \bar{v}) \end{aligned}$$

- $\mathfrak{L}^2 = \mathfrak{L}_0^2 - \mathfrak{L}_1^2 - \mathfrak{L}_2^2$  Casimir of  $SO(1, 2)$  generated by  $\mathfrak{L}_0, \mathfrak{L}_1, \mathfrak{L}_2$ ;

- Simultaneously diagonalize the  $\mathfrak{S}_3$ -invariant operators  $\mathfrak{D}, \mathfrak{L}_0^2$ , and  $\mathfrak{L}^2$

$$\begin{aligned} \mathfrak{D}\mathcal{W}_{w;s;p} &= (w - 3)\mathcal{W}_{w;s;p} & \mathfrak{D} &= t_1\partial_1 + t_2\partial_2 + t_3\partial_3 \\ \mathfrak{L}^2\mathcal{W}_{w;s;p} &= s(s - 1)\mathcal{W}_{w;s;p} & \mathfrak{L}^2 &= -(u^2 - 2v\bar{v})(\partial_u^2 - 2\partial_v\partial_{\bar{v}}) \\ \mathfrak{L}_0^2\mathcal{W}_{w;s;p} &= -9p^2\mathcal{W}_{w;s;p} & \mathfrak{L}_0 &= iv\partial_v - i\bar{v}\partial_{\bar{v}} \end{aligned}$$

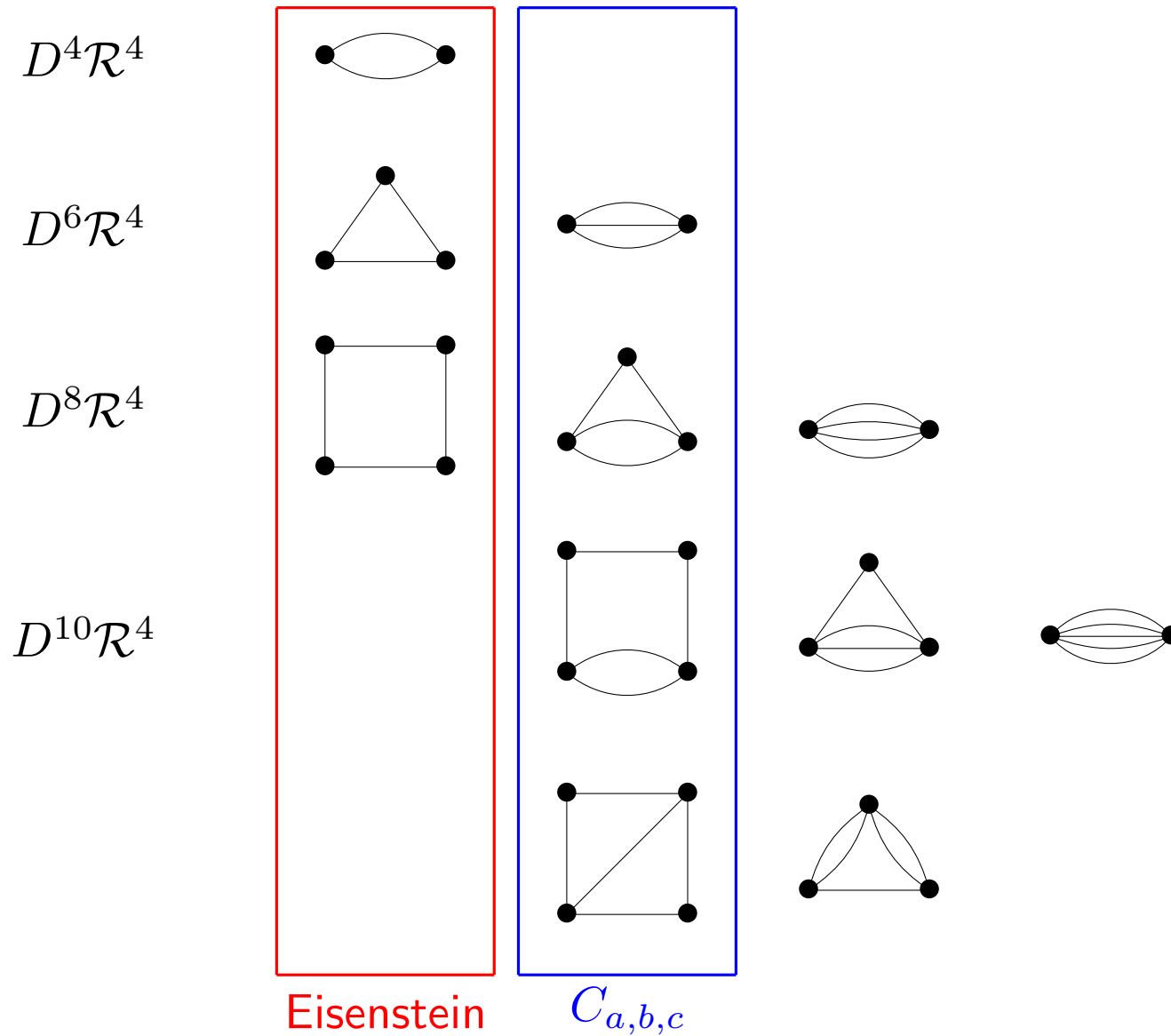
- $\mathfrak{S}_3$ -invariance of eigenfunctions requires  $p$  to be integer;

- which explains multiplicities  $[(s - 1)/3]$ .

$\implies$  constructive proof of Structure Theorem.

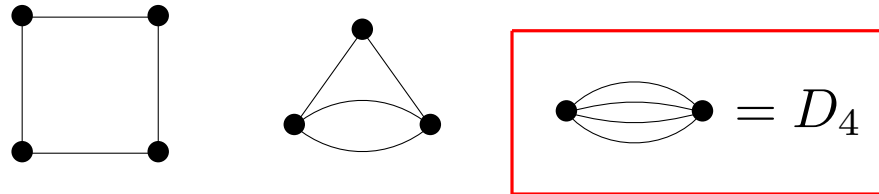


## Recall ....



## Modular functions in $D^8\mathcal{R}^4$

- Modular function  $D^8\mathcal{R}^4$  requires



- The modular function  $D_4$  is of the form  $C_{1,1,1,1}$  for  $\rho = 4$  with

$$C_{a_1, \dots, a_\rho}(\tau) = \sum_{(m_r, n_r) \neq (0,0)} \delta_{m,0} \delta_{n,0} \prod_{r=1}^{\rho} \left( \frac{\tau_2}{\pi |m_r \tau + n_r|^2} \right)^{a_r}$$

- No useful algebraic representation of the Laplacian is available

## Conjectured relation for $D_4$

- **Tools: take an educated guess + check asymptotic behavior near cusp.**
  - Relations for  $C_{a,b,c}$  involved linear combinations of  $C$  for given weight;
  - Consider combinations of  $D_4$ ,  $E_4$ , and  $E_2^2$

$$(\Delta - 2) (5D_4 - 15E_2^2 - 18E_4) = -120E_2^2$$

- Eliminate right side using  $(\Delta - 2)C_{2,1,1} = 9E_4 - E_2^2$  gives

$$(\Delta - 2) (D_4 - 24C_{2,1,1} - 3E_2^2 + 18E_4) = 0$$

- **Asymptotics near the cusp  $\tau_2 \rightarrow \infty$  fixes homogeneous solution,**

$$D_4 = 24C_{2,1,1} + 3E_2^2 - 18E_4$$

- conjectured as an *exact relation* between modular functions;
- conjectured relation between Feynman diagrams of *different loop orders*;
- Additional support from direct numerical evaluation of the multiple sums.

## Structure of the asymptotics near the cusp

- The expansion near the cusp  $\tau_2 \rightarrow \infty$  takes the following form,

$$D_4(\tau) = \sum_{k, \bar{k}=0}^{\infty} \mathcal{D}_4^{(k, \bar{k})}(\pi\tau_2) q^k \bar{q}^{\bar{k}} \quad q = e^{2\pi i\tau}$$

- We have checked the following asymptotics (similarly for  $C_{2,1,1}$ ,  $E_4$ ,  $E_2^2$ )

$$\mathcal{D}_4^{(0,0)}(y) = \frac{y^4}{945} + \frac{2\zeta(3)y}{3} + \frac{10\zeta(5)}{y} - \frac{3\zeta(3)^2}{y^2} + \frac{9\zeta(7)}{4y^3}$$

$$\mathcal{D}_4^{(0,1)}(y) = \frac{4y^2}{15} + \frac{2y}{3} + 2 + \frac{4}{y} + \frac{12\zeta(3)}{y} - \frac{6\zeta(3)}{y^2} + \frac{9}{2y^2} + \frac{9}{4y^3}$$

$$\mathcal{D}_4^{(1,0)}(y) = \mathcal{D}_4^{(0,1)}(y)$$

## How could the conjecture fail ?

- Consider the difference  $F = D_4 - 24C_{2,1,1} - 3E_2^2 + 18E_4$ 
  - the conjecture states  $F = 0$
- If the conjecture were to fail, then  $F \neq 0$  and its properties are,
  - modular function under  $SL(2, \mathbb{Z})$ ;
  - its pure power part in the expansion near the cusp vanishes;
    - $\implies F$  is a cuspidal function
  - Vanishing of leading exponential restricts it further.

## Progress towards a full proof

- Inspired by a calculation of Zagier for  $C_{111}$ , we first perform  $n$ -sums

$$D_4(\tau) = \sum_{(m_r, n_r) \neq (0,0)} \delta_{m,0} \delta_{n,0} \prod_{r=1}^4 \frac{\tau_2}{\pi |m_r \tau + n_r|^2}$$

- partition sum according to the number of vanishing  $m_r$ ;
- solve for  $n_4$ ; decompose in partial fractions in  $n_3$ ; sum over  $n_3$ ,
- for  $m_3 \neq 0$ , sum using the formula (and its derivatives in  $z$ )

$$\sum_{n_3 \in \mathbb{Z}} \frac{1}{z + n_3} = -i\pi \frac{1 + e^{2\pi iz}}{1 - e^{2\pi iz}}$$

- Explicit calculation (using MAPLE) shows the following structure

$$D_4(\tau) = \sum_{k=-3}^4 (\tau_2)^k \mathfrak{D}_4^{(k)}(q, \bar{q}) \quad q = e^{2\pi i \tau}$$

- where  $\mathfrak{D}_4^{(k)}(q, \bar{q})$  is a function analytic in  $q, \bar{q}$  near the cusp
- similar expansions for  $C_{211}, E_2^2, E_4$  have the same range for  $k$ .

- Conjecture proven for  $k = -3, 1, 2, 3, 4$ ;  
... in progress for remaining values  $k = -2, -1, 0$  ...

## Conjectured relations for modular functions in $D^{10}\mathcal{R}^4$

$D^{10}\mathcal{R}^4$  requires

$$D_5 = \text{---} \bullet \begin{array}{c} \text{---} \\ \text{---} \\ \text{---} \\ \text{---} \end{array} \bullet \text{---}$$

$$D_{3,1,1} = \begin{array}{c} \bullet \\ \diagdown \quad \diagup \\ \bullet \quad \bullet \\ \text{---} \end{array}$$

$$D_{2,2,1} = \begin{array}{c} \bullet \\ \diagdown \quad \diagup \\ \bullet \quad \bullet \\ \diagdown \quad \diagup \\ \bullet \quad \bullet \\ \text{---} \end{array}$$

in addition to  $E_5$ ,  $C_{3,1,1}$ ,  $E_2E_3$ , and  $E_2C_{1,1,1}$  functions of weight 5.  
 –  $D_5 = C_{1,1,1,1,1}$  and  $D_{3,1,1} = C_{2,1,1,1}$  but  $D_{2,2,1}$  not of the form  $C$

- Educated guesses and asymptotics near the cusp lead us to conjecture,

$$\begin{aligned} D_5 &= 60C_{3,1,1} + 10E_2C_{1,1,1} - 48E_5 + 16\zeta(5) \\ 40D_{3,1,1} &= 300C_{3,1,1} + 120E_2E_3 - 276E_5 + 7\zeta(5) \\ 10D_{2,2,1} &= 20C_{3,1,1} - 4E_5 + 3\zeta(5) \end{aligned}$$

- Pattern expected to continue for higher  $D^{2w}\mathcal{R}^4$  interactions with  $w > 5$ .

## Generalizations and Multi-zeta-values

- **Generalized infinite families entering genus-one diagrams** (but not all)

$$C_{a_1, \dots, a_\rho}(\tau) = \sum_{(m_r, n_r) \neq (0,0)} \delta_{m,0} \delta_{n,0} \prod_{r=1}^{\rho} \left( \frac{\tau_2}{|m_r \tau + n_r|^2} \right)^{a_r}$$

– for integers  $a_r \geq 1$  enter diagrams of weight  $w = a_1 + \dots + a_\rho$

- **Multi-zeta-functions**

$$\zeta_{s_1, \dots, s_n} = \sum_{m_1 > \dots > m_n \geq 1} \frac{1}{m_1^{s_1} \dots m_n^{s_n}}$$

– generalize the standard Riemann zeta-function for  $n = 1$

- **The  $C_{a_1, \dots, a_\rho}$  provide a modular generalization of  $\zeta_{s_1, \dots, s_n}$** 
  - leading  $\tau_2$  behavior of  $C_{a_1, \dots, a_\rho}$  may be expressed in terms of MZV.
  - MZV naturally enter into open string amplitudes [Schlotterer, Stieberger]



## Genus-one coefficients of $D^{2w}\mathcal{R}^4$ for $w \geq 4$

- Integrating  $\mathcal{B}^{(1)}$  over  $\mathcal{M}_1$  produces non-analytic behavior in  $s, t, u$ ;
  - branch cuts due to loops with massless strings for  $s, t, u, \ll 1$ ;
  - non-analytic parts may be isolated systematically,
    - [ED, Phong 1993; Green, Russo, Vanhove 2008]
  - Analytic part is unique after non-analytic part has been specified.
- Partition fundamental domain  $\mathcal{M}_1$  at fixed large  $L \gg 1$ ; [Maass; Selberg]
  - $\tau_2 > L$  gives non-analytic contributions in  $s, t, u$ ;
  - $\tau_2 < L$  gives analytic contributions in  $s, t, u$ ;
- For compactifications on flat  $\mathbb{T}^d$ , with moduli  $\rho_d$ ,

$$\mathcal{E}_{D^8\mathcal{R}^4}(\rho_d, L) = \frac{1}{2} \int_{\mathcal{M}_1}^{\tau_2 < L} d\mu_1 (\Delta C_{2,1,1} - 5E_4 + E_2^2) \Gamma_{d,d,1}(\rho_d|\tau)$$

- parts non-analytic at  $s, t, u = 0$  cancel in comparing moduli  $\rho_d$  and  $\rho'_d$ ;
- “Differences” produce well-defined and unique effective interactions.

## Genus two

- Siegel Upper half space  $\mathcal{S}_2$

$$\mathcal{S}_2 = \{\Omega_{IJ} = \Omega_{JI} \in \mathbb{C} \text{ with } I, J = 1, 2 \text{ and } Y = \text{Im}\Omega > 0\}$$

- $Sp(4, \mathbb{R})$  acts by  $\Omega \rightarrow (A\Omega + B)(C\Omega + D)^{-1}$

$$M^t J M = J \quad M = \begin{pmatrix} A & B \\ C & D \end{pmatrix} \quad J = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -I \\ I & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

- $\mathcal{S}_2$  has  $Sp(4, \mathbb{R})$ -invariant metric  $ds_2^2$  and volume form  $d\mu_2$

$$ds_2^2 = \sum_{I, J, K, L=1, 2} Y_{IJ}^{-1} d\bar{\Omega}_{JK} Y_{KL}^{-1} d\Omega_{LI}$$

- Compact Riemann surface  $\Sigma$

- $A_I, B_I$  a choice of canonical homology basis for  $H_1(\Sigma, \mathbb{Z})$ ,

- $\omega_I$  dual holomorphic (1,0) forms,

$$\oint_{A_I} \omega_J = \delta_{IJ} \quad \oint_{B_I} \omega_J = \Omega_{IJ}$$

- $\Omega \in \mathcal{S}_2$

- Genus-two modular group  $Sp(4, \mathbb{Z})$

- Genus-two moduli space  $\mathcal{M}_2 = \mathcal{S}_2 / Sp(4, \mathbb{Z})$

## Effective interactions at genus-two in Type II

- Start with Type II four-graviton amplitude at genus 2, [ED, Phong 2005]

$$\mathcal{A}^{(2)}(s, t, u) = \mathcal{R}^4 \int_{\mathcal{M}_2} d\mu_2 \mathcal{B}^{(2)}(s, t, u|\Omega)$$

$$\mathcal{B}^{(2)}(s, t, u|\Omega) = \int_{\Sigma^4} \mathcal{Y} \wedge \bar{\mathcal{Y}} \exp \sum_{i < j} s_{ij} G(z_i, z_j)$$

- $G(z_i, z_j)$  is the scalar Green function;
  - $\mathcal{B}^{(2)}$  invariant under  $G(z, w) \rightarrow G(z, w) + f(z) + f(w)$  for any  $f$
  - $\mathcal{Y} = (s - t)\Delta(z_1, z_3) \wedge \Delta(z_4, z_2) + 2$  permutations;
  - $\Delta(z_i, z_j)$  is a holomorphic  $(1, 0)_i \otimes (1, 0)_j$  form independent of  $s, t, u$ .
- Contributions to local effective interactions,
    - $\mathcal{R}^4$  : zero, since  $\mathcal{Y}$  vanishes for  $s = t = u = 0$ ;
    - $D^4\mathcal{R}^4$  : non-zero,  $\mathcal{B}^{(2)}$  constant on  $\mathcal{M}_2$ ;
    - $D^6\mathcal{R}^4$  : non-zero, one power of  $G$  brought down in integral over  $\Sigma^4$ ;

$$\mathcal{B}^{(2)}(s, t, u|\Omega) = 32(s^2 + t^2 + u^2) + 192 stu \varphi(\Omega) + \mathcal{O}(s^4, \dots)$$

- $\varphi(\Omega)$  coincides with the Zhang -Kawazumi invariant [ED, Green 2013].

## The Zhang-Kawazumi invariant for genus-two

- **Definition of the ZK-invariant**

The ZK-invariant takes the following form,

$$8\varphi(\Omega) = \sum_{I,J,K,L} (Y_{IJ}^{-1}Y_{KL}^{-1} - 2Y_{IL}^{-1}Y_{JK}^{-1}) \int_{\Sigma^2} G(x,y)\omega_I(x)\overline{\omega_J(x)}\omega_K(y)\overline{\omega_L(y)}$$

- $\varphi$  invariant under  $G(z,w) \rightarrow G(z,w) + f(z) + f(w)$  for any  $f$
  - equivalent to definition via Arakelov geometry [Zhang 2007, Kawazumi 2008]
  - invariant under the modular group  $Sp(4, \mathbb{Z})$ ; hence  $\varphi(\Omega) = \varphi(\Sigma)$
  - related to the genus-two Faltings invariant [De Jong 2010]
- **Coefficient of the genus-two  $D^6\mathcal{R}^4$  interaction involves  $\int_{\mathcal{M}_2} d\mu_2 \varphi(\Omega)$**
  - **Direct evaluation appeared out of reach ... until ...**

## ZK satisfies a Laplace eigenvalue equation

- **Theorem** : genus-two ZK invariant satisfies remarkable equation,

$$(\Delta - 5)\varphi = -2\pi\delta_{SN}$$

- $\Delta$  is the Laplace-Beltrami operator on  $\mathcal{M}_2$  with Siegel metric  $ds_2^2$ ;
- $\delta_{SN}$  has support on separating node (into two genus-one surfaces)

[ED, Green, Pioline, R. Russo 2014]

- **Using Theorem**, the integral over  $\mathcal{M}_2$  reduces to an integral over  $\partial\mathcal{M}_2$ ,

$$\int_{\mathcal{M}_2} d\mu_2 \varphi = \frac{1}{5} \int_{\mathcal{M}_2} d\mu_2 (\Delta\varphi + 2\pi\delta_{SN}) = \frac{2\pi^3}{45}$$

- meaning of this number is to be discussed in last part of lecture

## Proof via deformations of complex structures

- **Laplacian  $\Delta$  on genus-two moduli space  $\mathcal{M}_2$** 
  - = Laplace-Beltrami operator for the Siegel metric on  $\mathcal{S}_2$
  - In terms of the period matrix  $\Omega_{IJ} = X_{IJ} + iY_{IJ}$ , with  $I, J = 1, 2$

$$\Delta = \sum_{I \leq J} \sum_{K \leq L} Y_{IK} Y_{JL} \frac{\partial}{\partial \bar{\Omega}_{IJ}} \frac{\partial}{\partial \Omega_{KL}}$$

- **Variations in  $\Omega_{IJ}$  result from variation by Beltrami differential  $\mu$**

$$\delta_\mu \phi = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_\Sigma d^2w \mu_{\bar{w}}^w \delta_{ww} \phi$$

- $\delta_{ww} \phi$  is obtained by variation of  $\bar{\partial}$  or insertion of the stress tensor  $T_{ww}$

$$\begin{aligned} \delta_{ww} \Omega_{IJ} &= 2\pi i \omega_I(w) \omega_J(w) \\ \delta_{ww} \omega_I(x) &= \omega_I(w) \partial_x \partial_w \ln E(x, w) \\ \delta_{ww} G(x, y) &= \frac{1}{2} (\partial_w G(w, x) - \partial_w G(w, y))^2 \end{aligned}$$

- **Calculation of mixed derivatives proves  $(\Delta - 5)\varphi = 0$  inside  $\mathcal{M}_2$** 
  - contribution from separating node results from asymptotics of  $\varphi$

[ED, Green, Pioline, R. Russo 2014]

## Generalizations of ZK-invariant

- **The ZK-invariant exists for all genera  $h \geq 2$**  [Zhang 2007, Kawazumi 2008]
  - but does not satisfy a simple Laplace-eigenvalue equation for  $h \geq 3$ ;
  - most likely is not the correct object for string theory at  $h \geq 3$ .
- **But the integrands on  $\mathcal{M}_2$  for the coefficients of  $D^8\mathcal{R}^4$ ,  $D^{10}\mathcal{R}^4$ ,  $\dots$** 
  - do naturally emerge from string theory;
  - are modular invariants which generalize ZK;
  - satisfy more complicated Laplace-type equations

... in progress ...
- **Lowest order generalization of ZK at genus 2, contributing to  $D^8\mathcal{R}^4$**

$$\mathcal{B}_{(2,0)}^{(2)} = \int_{\Sigma^4} \left| \Delta(1,2) \wedge \Delta(3,4) \right|^2 \left( G(1,4) + G(2,3) - G(1,3) - G(2,4) \right)^2$$

## S-duality of Type IIB and non-perturbative effects

- **S-duality =  $SL(2, \mathbb{Z})$  symmetry of Type IIB superstring theory**
  - axion  $T_1$  and dilaton  $T_2$  are real fields of Type IIB,  $T = T_1 + T_2$
  - Type IIB supergravity invariant under  $SL(2, \mathbb{R})$  acting on  $T$  by Möbius transf.
  - Type IIB string theory invariant under  $SL(2, \mathbb{Z})$  (cfr axion anomaly)

- **Effective interactions must respect  $SL(2, \mathbb{Z})$  symmetry**
  - for  $\mathcal{R}^4$  effective interaction with no derivatives on  $T$ , (in string frame)

$$\int_M d^{10}x \sqrt{G} (T_2)^{\frac{1}{2}} \mathcal{E}(T) \mathcal{R}^4 \quad T_2 = \frac{1}{g_s}$$

- $\mathcal{E}(T)$  real-valued modular function under  $SL(2, \mathbb{Z})$
- **$\mathcal{E}(T) = E_{\frac{3}{2}}(T)$  conjectured from single D-instanton calculation [Green Gutperle]**
  - Using asymptotics of non-holomorphic Eisenstein near the cusp  $T_2 \rightarrow \infty$ ,

$$E_s(T) = \frac{2\zeta(2s)}{\pi^s} T_2^s + \frac{2\Gamma(s - \frac{1}{2})\zeta(2s - 1)}{\Gamma(s)\pi^{s-\frac{1}{2}}} T_2^{1-s} + \mathcal{O}(e^{-2\pi T_2})$$

- Perturbative contributions to  $\mathcal{R}^4$  arise from genus 0 and 1 **only**.



## Supersymmetry and S-duality

- Laplace-eigenvalue eq from space-time supersymmetry [Green, Sethi, 1998]
  - Eisenstein series = unique modular solution with polynomial growth at cusp

- Predicts vanishing contributions for high enough loop order,

$\mathcal{R}^4$	1/2 BPS	$h \geq 2$	$E_{\frac{3}{2}}$
$D^4\mathcal{R}^4$	1/4 BPS	$h \geq 3$	$E_{\frac{5}{2}}$
$D^6\mathcal{R}^4$	1/8 BPS	$h \geq 4$	$(\Delta - 12)\mathcal{E}_{D^6\mathcal{R}^4} = (E_{\frac{3}{2}})^2$

[Green, Gutperle, Vanhove 1997; Green, Vanhove 2005]

- Predicts relations between non-vanishing contributions (e.g. with tree-level),

$\mathcal{R}^4$	$h = 1$	[Green, Gutperle 1997]
$D^4\mathcal{R}^4$	$h = 2$	[ED, Gutperle, Phong 2005]
$D^6\mathcal{R}^4$	$h = 2$ (ZK)	[ED, Green, Pioline, Russo 2014]
	$h = 3$	[Gomez, Mafra 2013]

## Summary and outlook

- **Low energy expansion of string theory has revealed a rich structure of**
  - non-holomorphic Kronecker-Eisenstein series on genus-one Riemann surfaces;
  - Zhang-Kawazumi modular invariant on genus-two Riemann surfaces;
  - differential and algebraic interrelations;
  - concrete analytic evaluation of higher local effective interactions.
- **Extensions at genus-one**
  - Understand general interrelations of Kronecker-Eisenstein series beyond  $C_{a,b,c}$
  - Identify structure of the ring of all such non-holomorphic modular forms.
  - Equations obeyed by entire string integrand ? [ED, Green] ... in progress ...
- **Extensions at genus-two**
  - ZK-invariant as a  $\mathcal{V}$ -lift of complete degeneration limit [Pioline 2015]
  - Differential relations obeyed by higher order generalizations of Zhang-Kawazumi invariants [ED, Green, Pioline] ... in progress ...
- **Significance for number theory ?**