

Scaling Black Holes and Modularity

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Summary

- $N=2$ string theory admits multi-centered black holes.
- Scaling black holes are multi-centered black holes, such that centers can come arbitrarily close.
This near-coincident regime of scaling black holes is "similar" to single centered black holes.
- Black hole degeneracies can be packed inside certain generating functions. These generating functions have interesting modular properties.
- Scaling black holes give additional contribution to such generating functions.
- We show for scaling black holes with 3-centers, this gives a depth 2 mock modular form and further compute its modular completion.

*Quick Recap of Black Holes in
String Theory*

black holes entropy puzzle

- Classically black holes have no microstates \Rightarrow no entropy.
What happened to the entropy of the collapsed star? \Rightarrow 2nd law is in danger !
- Area of event horizon always increases, just like entropy
 $\Rightarrow S_{BH} = \frac{Area}{4 l_p^2}$ Bekenstein, Hawking
- Puzzle: what are the underlying microstates?
- Hint: $l_p \sim 1.6 \times 10^{-35} m$ is the scale of quantum gravity
 \Rightarrow Ask a theory of quantum gravity.
- A correct theory of Quantum gravity must explain black hole entropy.

String theory
9+1 dimensions

contains

D/M-branes

Dimensional
reduction

string theory
solves the puzzle

Dimensional
reduction

Possible to count
microstates



Area formula
for entropy

(super) gravity
In 3+1 dimensions

contains

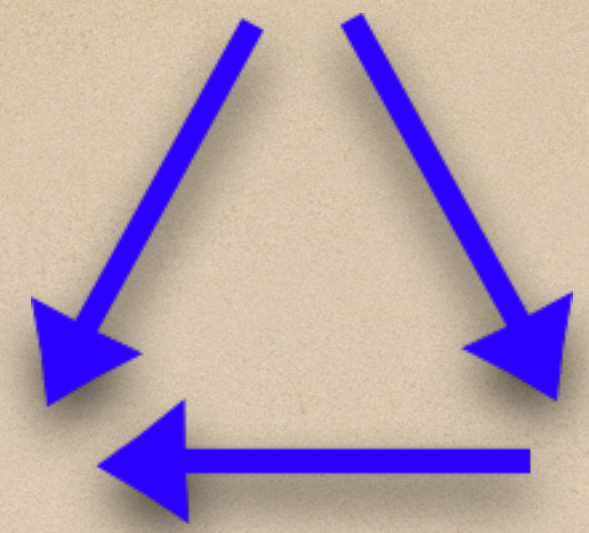
Black holes

Strominger, Vafa

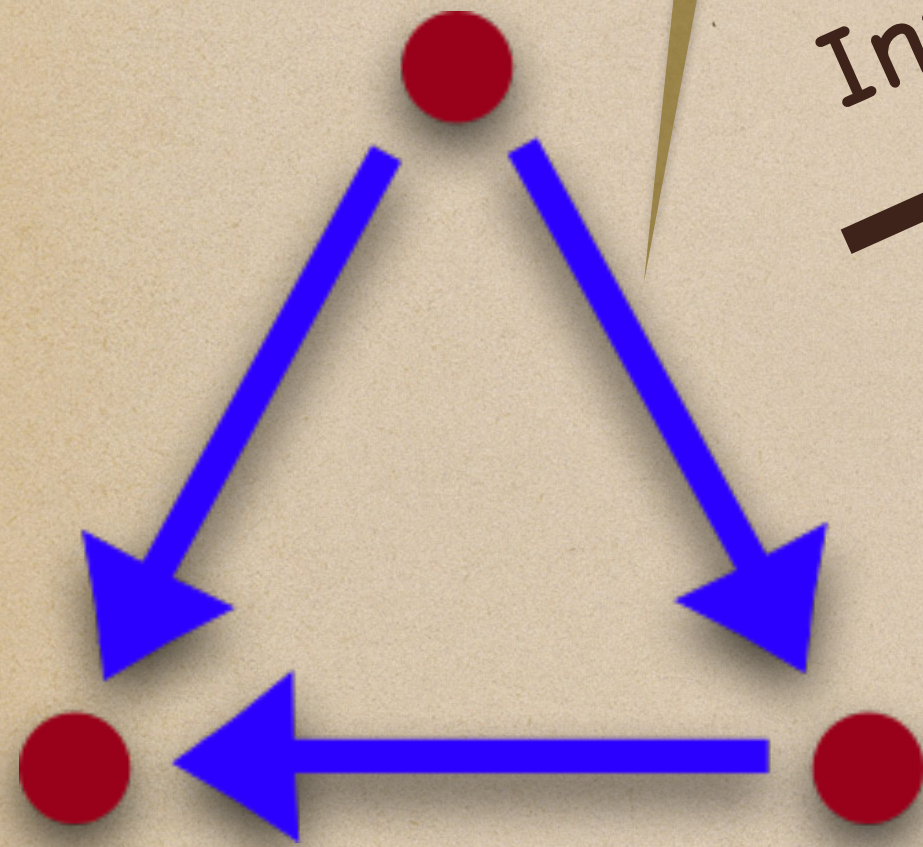
Scaling Black Holes

Strings stretched between
D-branes

Integrate nodes out



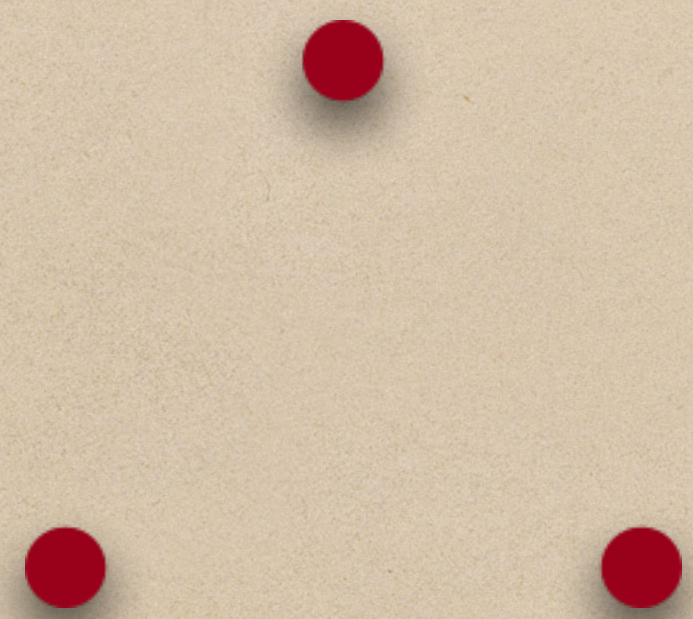
Higgs branch



Integrate arrows out

Multi-centered
black holes

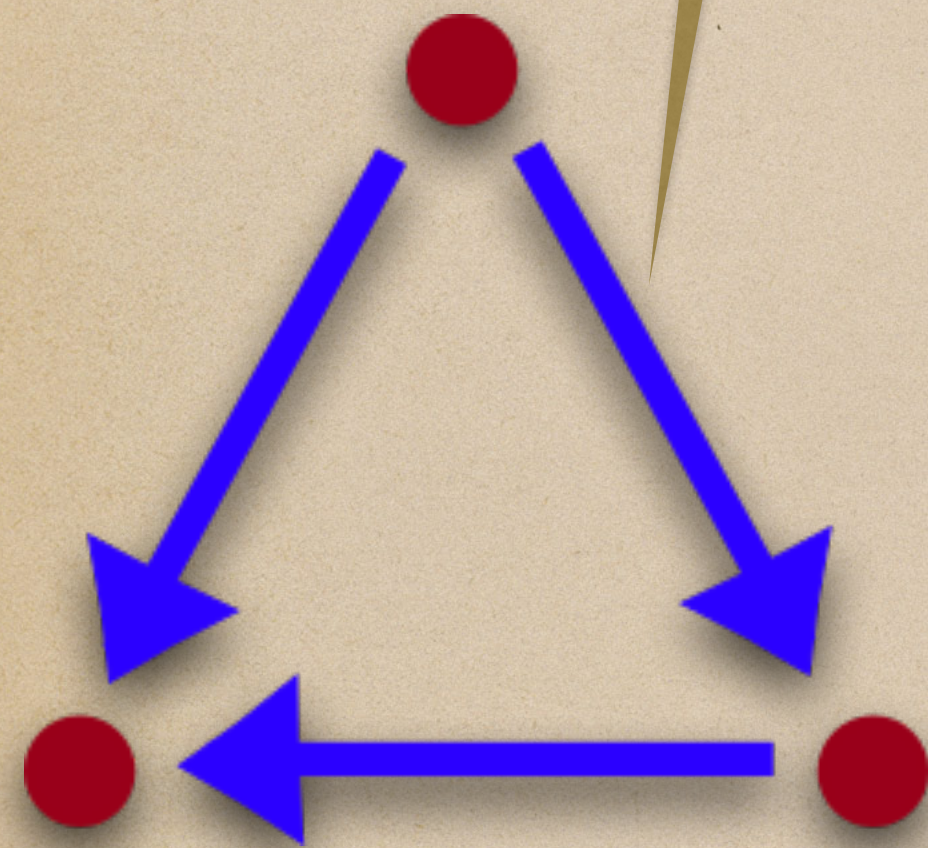
D-branes



Coulomb branch

Denef

Strings stretched between
D-branes



D-branes

Integrate arrows out

Coulomb branch

- Denef's eqns:

$$\sum_{i \neq j} \frac{\langle \gamma_i, \gamma_j \rangle}{r_{ij}} = c_i, \quad \langle \gamma_i, \gamma_j \rangle = P_i \cdot Q_j - P_j \cdot Q_i,$$

$$c_i = 2 \operatorname{Im} \left(e^{-i\alpha} Z(\gamma_i, t) \right) \Big|_{r=\infty}$$

- Wall crossing:

Solutions may or may not exist depending on moduli

$$t^a = B^a + iJ^a.$$

Denef, Moore

D4-D2-D0 Black Holes

- Charge vector $\gamma = (0, P, Q, Q_0)$
D6-brane charge 0, D4-brane charge P, D2-brane charge Q, D0-brane charge Q_0 .
- Let D_{abc} , $a, b, c = 1, \dots, b_2(X)$ be the triple intersection numbers of the Calabi-Yau 3-fold X.
- Magnetic charge P lives on a lattice Λ , electric charge Q lives on dual lattice Λ^* .
- Λ has quadratic form $D_{ab} = D_{abc} P^c$, with signature $(1, b_2 - 1)$.

attractor point

- Irrespective of their values at infinity t_∞ , moduli fields flows to the "attractor values" t_γ (determined by charge γ of the black hole) at the event horizon of the black hole.

$$t_\gamma^a = B^a + iJ^a = Q^a + iP^a$$

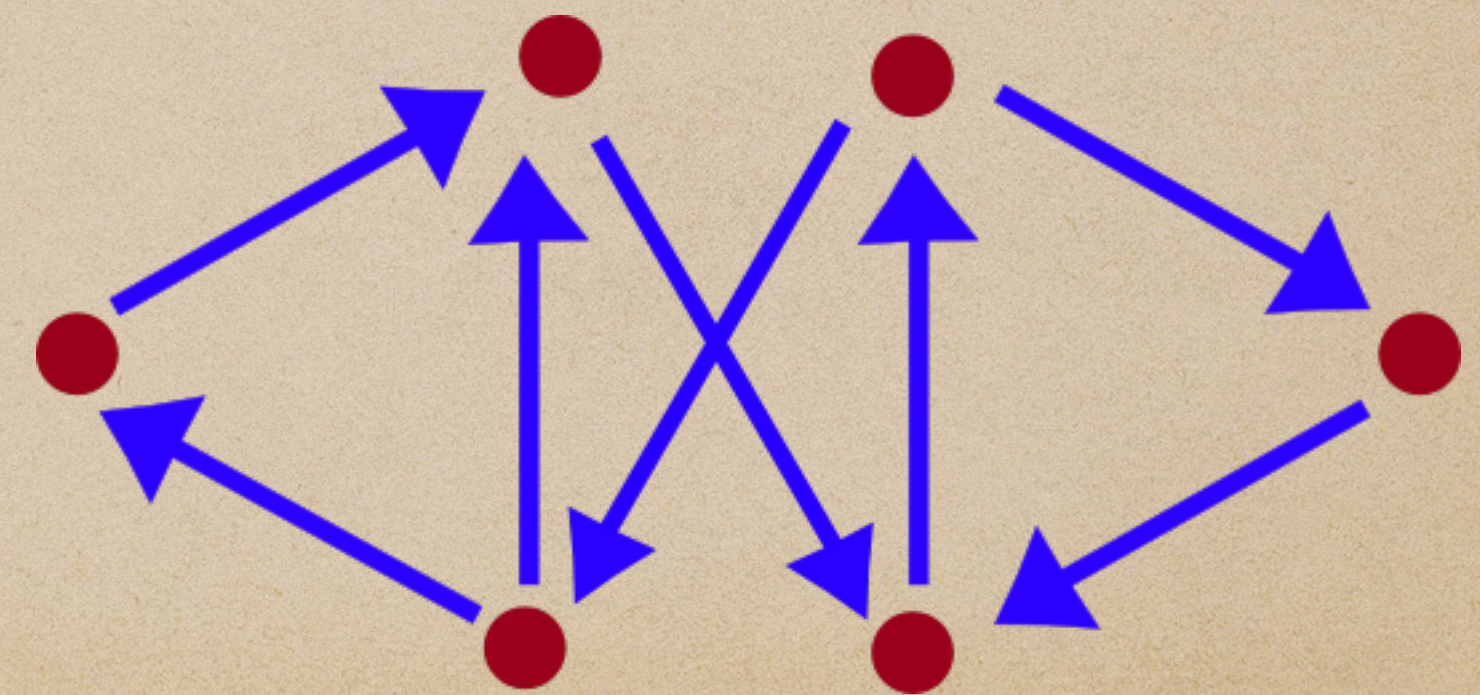
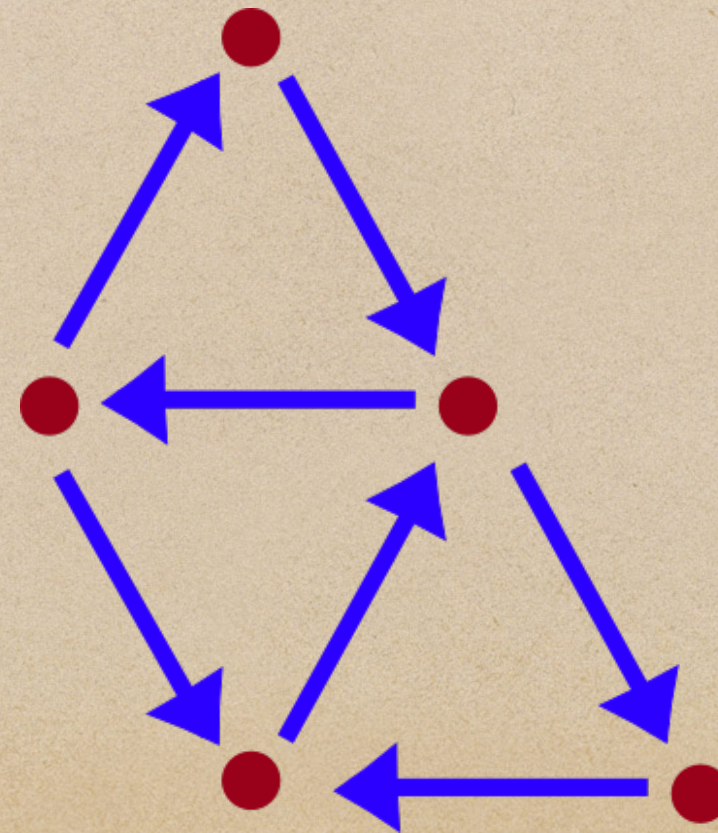
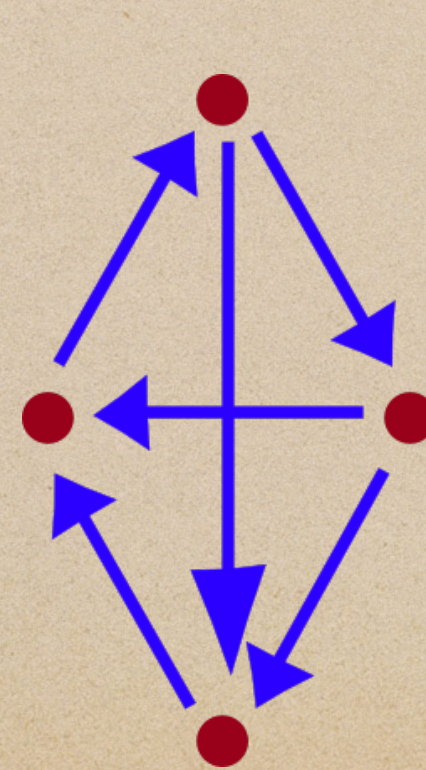
$$c_j^* = |Z(\gamma, t_\gamma)| \langle \gamma, \gamma_i \rangle = -M \sum_{j \neq i} \gamma_{ij}$$

- Denef's eqns at the attractor point read $\sum_{j \neq i} \frac{\gamma_{ij}}{|r_{ij}|} = -M \sum_{j \neq i} \gamma_{ij}$
- If for any given i , if all the γ_{ij} -s have same sign, there is **no solution**.
 \Rightarrow many multi-centered black holes do not survive at the attractor point !

attractor survivors

- Note, for a given i ,
all the $\gamma_{ij} > 0 \Rightarrow$ only outgoing arrows \Rightarrow the node is a source.
all the $\gamma_{ij} < 0 \Rightarrow$ only incoming arrows \Rightarrow the node is a sink.
- Quivers with no source/sink = quivers with loops.

Examples of
quivers with loops



large volume attractor point

- Attractor point lives deep “inside” the moduli space, whereas certain simplifications occur in large volume regime of Kähler moduli space.
- Best of both worlds: “analog” of attractor point in large volume regime ?
- Indeed, such a point exists and called **large volume attractor point**, given by

$$(t_\gamma^\lambda)^a = Q^a + i\lambda P^a, \lambda \rightarrow \infty$$

$$c_j^\lambda = 2\lambda \langle \gamma, \gamma_j \rangle \propto c_j^*,$$

equivalent to attractor point, as far as survival is concerned.

Denef's eqns

$$\frac{a}{r_{12}} - \frac{c}{r_{13}} = c_1,$$

$$\frac{b}{r_{23}} - \frac{a}{r_{12}} = c_2$$

are invariant under

$$\frac{1}{r_{12}} \rightarrow \frac{1}{r_{12}} + \frac{1}{\varepsilon a},$$

$$\frac{1}{r_{23}} \rightarrow \frac{1}{r_{23}} + \frac{1}{\varepsilon b},$$

$$\frac{1}{r_{31}} \rightarrow \frac{1}{r_{31}} + \frac{1}{\varepsilon c}$$

- For $\varepsilon \rightarrow 0$, centers are arbitrarily close, provided (a,b,c) obey triangle inequalities.

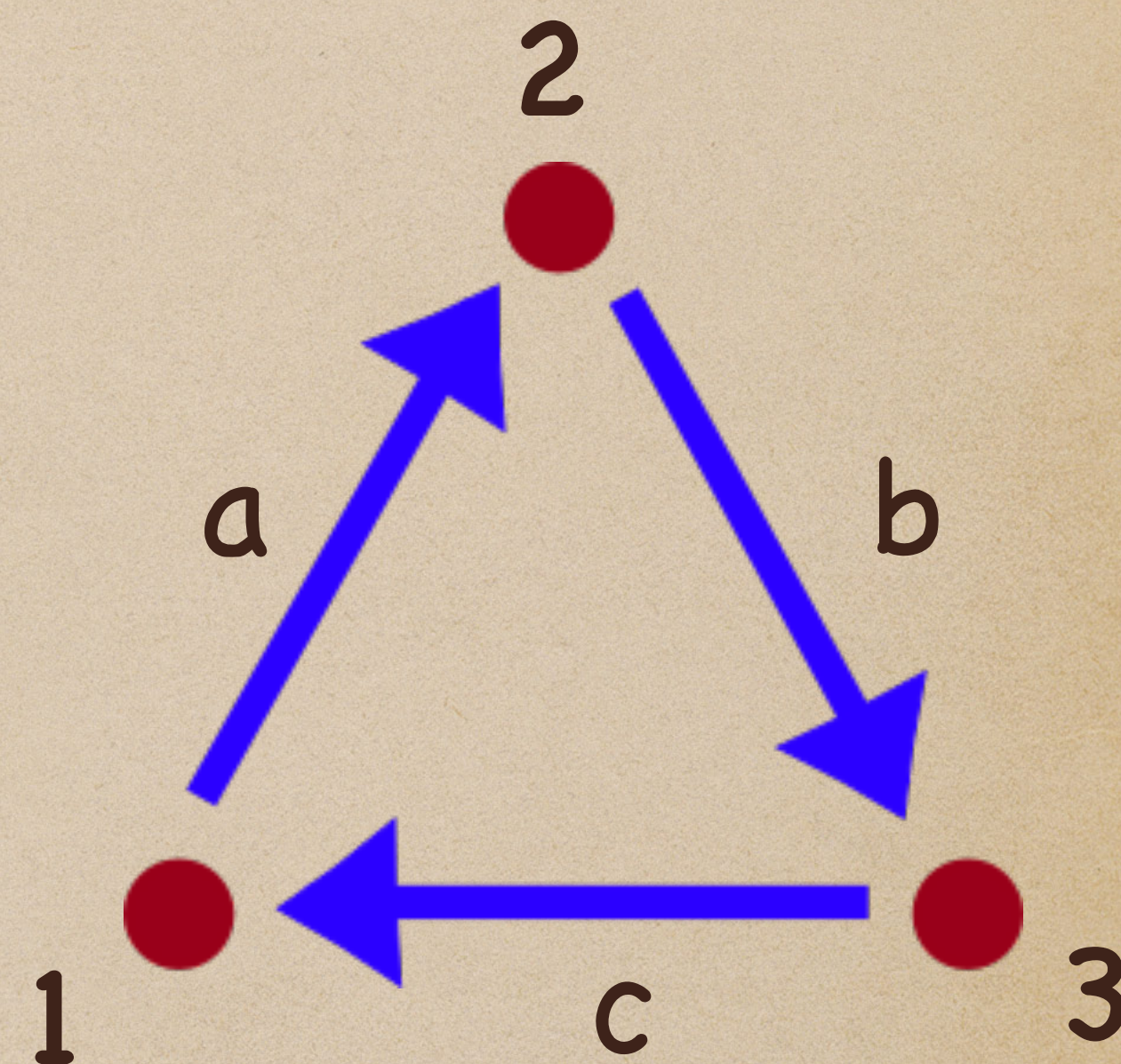
These are called scaling solutions.

Bena, Berkooz, de Boer, El-Showk, den Bleeken, Messamah, Wang, Warner, Denef, Moore

- Scaling solutions exist for any value of $\{c_i\}$, including attractor point.
- $\varepsilon \rightarrow 0$ region, often dubbed deep scaling regime, is tricky.

Beaujard, SM, Pioline

Simplest quiver with loop



On moduli space of Scaling solutions

- Deneff's equations can be exactly solved

$$\frac{1}{r_{12}} = \frac{1}{a\varepsilon} - M, \quad \frac{1}{r_{23}} = \frac{1}{b\varepsilon} - M, \quad \frac{1}{r_{31}} = \frac{1}{c\varepsilon} - M.$$

the scaling parameter ε is free.

- Since distances are positive, there is an upper limit on ε , where 3 centers align and one has $r_{12} + r_{23} = r_{13}$ or some permutation thereof.
- There is no lower cutoff on ε .
 $\varepsilon \rightarrow 0$ region makes the solution space non-compact.

Roughly, scaling solution space = $\underbrace{\text{regular part}}_{\text{easy}} \cup \underbrace{\text{deep scaling part}}_{\text{tricky}}$

Manschot, Pionline, Sen; Beaujard, SM, Pionline

Scaling ($\varepsilon \rightarrow 0$ region) vs single centered black holes

- An asymptotic observer can't tell them apart.
- Both exist for any moduli
- Gives zero angular momentum states (pure Higgs states), a trait of single single-centered black hole microstates.
- Both develop a "near horizon AdS_2 " region.
- Starting with 5-dimensional black holes, one can take a "decoupling limit", upon which only objects of length scale ℓ_5^3 or less, survive and go over to $AdS_3 \times S^2$.

Chowdhury, Garavuso, S.M, Sen

Mirfendereski, Raeymaekers, Van den Bleeken

de Boer, Deneff, El-Showk, Messamah, Bleeken

For vanishing D6 charge, this leaves only scaling and single centered black holes.

This AdS_3 is expected to be dual of the microscopic CFT.

So CFT can't differentiate between single centered and scaling black holes either.

Modularity

2 avatars of modularity

- Modular group is $SL(2, \mathbb{Z})$ and it appears in 2 avatars:

1. In type IIB supergravity, it appears as S-duality:

$$\tau \rightarrow \frac{a\tau + b}{c\tau + d}, \text{ where } \tau = C_0 + \frac{i}{g_B}$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} C \\ B \end{pmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} C \\ B \end{pmatrix},$$

$$J \rightarrow |c\tau + d| J,$$

type IIA supergravity is related by T-duality along time circle: $g_A = \frac{\beta_A}{l_s} g_B$

2. In MSW CFT, is defined on $T^2 = S^1_{time} \times S^1_M$. Modularity emerges as modular group of torus.

Maldacena, Strominger, Witten

- Note same τ appears in both cases. E.g.

$$(\tau_2)_{CFT} = \frac{\text{circumference of time circle}}{\text{circumference of M theory circle}} = \frac{\beta_A}{g_A l_s} = (\tau_2)_{SUGRA}$$

\Rightarrow We can analyze modularity either in SUGRA or CFT.

Partition functions

Supergravity partition function

In large volume regime,

$$\mathcal{Z}_{SG}(\tau, C, t) = \sum_{Q_0, Q_a} \bar{\Omega}(\gamma, t) (-1)^{P \cdot Q} e^{-2\pi\tau_2 |Z(\gamma, t)| + 2\pi i \tau_1 (Q_0 - Q \cdot B + B^2/2) + 2\pi i C \cdot (Q - B/2)}$$

$$Z(\gamma, t) = \frac{1}{2} P \cdot (J^2 - B^2) + Q \cdot B - Q_0 + i(Q - BP) \cdot J$$

$$|Z(\gamma, t)| = \frac{1}{2} P \cdot (J^2 - B^2) + Q \cdot B - Q_0 + \underbrace{\frac{((Q - BP) \cdot J)^2}{P \cdot J^2}}_{:= \hat{Q}_+^2} + \mathcal{O}(1/J)$$

Spectral flow symmetry

- In large volume limit, Supergravity has a $Sp(2b_2 + 2, \mathbb{Z})$ symmetry:

$$Q_a \rightarrow Q_a + d_{abc} k^b P^c,$$

$$Q_0 \rightarrow Q_0 + k^a Q_a + \frac{1}{2} d_{abc} k^a k^b P^c,$$

$$t^a \rightarrow t^a + k^a.$$

\mathcal{L}_{SG} changes by a phase under spectral flow transformation.

- This symmetry also shows up in MSW CFT, as symmetry of the algebra.

- Some spectral flow invariant combinations: $\hat{Q}_0 := -Q_0 + \frac{1}{2} Q^2$, $\hat{Q} := Q - B$, and conjugacy class μ .

- Degeneracies are spectral flow invariant.

classical Black Hole entropy $\sim \sqrt{P^3 \hat{Q}_0}$

attractor partition function

- We work with $C=0$.

$$\mathcal{Z}_{SG}(\tau, C, t) = e^{-\pi\tau_2 P J^2} \sum_{Q_0, Q} \bar{\Omega}(P, Q, Q_0; t) (-1)^{P \cdot Q} \bar{q}^{\hat{Q}_0 - \hat{Q}_-^2/2} q^{\hat{Q}_+^2/2}, \quad q = e^{2\pi i \tau}$$

- Attractor partition function: $Z(t_\infty)$ but $\Omega(t_\gamma)$

$$\mathcal{Z}_P^\lambda(\tau, C, t) = \sum_{Q_0, Q} \bar{\Omega}(\gamma, t_\gamma^\lambda) (-1)^{P \cdot Q} \bar{q}^{\hat{Q}_0 - \hat{Q}_-^2/2} q^{\hat{Q}_+^2/2} = \sum_{\mu \in \Lambda^*/\Lambda} \overline{h_{P,\mu}(\tau)} \Theta_\mu(\tau, \bar{\tau}, C=0, B),$$

where

$$\Theta_\mu(\tau, \bar{\tau}, C=0, B) = \sum_{Q \in \Lambda_\mu^*} (-1)^{P \cdot Q} q^{\hat{Q}_+^2/2} \bar{q}^{-\hat{Q}_-^2/2},$$

$$h_{P,\mu}(\tau) := \sum_{Q_0} \bar{\Omega}(\gamma; t_\gamma^\lambda) q^{\hat{Q}_0},$$

Note, both Q_+^2 and $-Q_-^2$ are +ve, thus the sum converges

multi-center black hole

- Degeneracies have the structure $\bar{\Omega}(\{P_i, Q_i, Q_{0,i}\}) = f(\{P_i, Q_i\}) \prod_i \bar{\Omega}_i(\hat{Q}_{\bar{0},i})$

We try to get a $\prod_i h_{P_i, \mu_i}$ in the partition function.

- To this end, we note $\bar{q}^{\hat{Q}_{\bar{0}}} = \bar{q}^{\frac{1}{2}Q^2} \bar{q}^{\sum_i (\hat{Q}_{\bar{0},i})} \bar{q}^{-\frac{1}{2}\sum_i Q_i^2}$
upon substituting this, yellow terms give $\prod_i h_{P_i, \mu_i}$,

whereas green terms lead to $\sum f(\{P_i, Q_i\}) \bar{q}^{-\frac{1}{2}\sum_i Q_i^2}$

- Problem: for fixed total charge, the exponent $-\frac{1}{2}\sum_i Q_i^2$ has signature $(n-1, (n-1)(b_2-1))$.

It seems the Green sum may not converge!

intuition: If f happens to vanish for -ve exponent, then the sum may converge.

specialize to n=3

- Since we are at the (large volume) attractor point, only scaling black holes survive.
- Scaling black holes exist only if $(\gamma_{12}, \gamma_{23}, \gamma_{31}) =: (a, b, c)$ form a triangle.
- Fact of life: unless (a, b, c) form a triangle, the following combination vanishes:

$$F_{total}(a, b, c) = \frac{1}{4} \left[1 + \text{sgn}(a + b - c) \text{sgn}(a + c - b) \right. \\ \left. + \text{sgn}(a + c - b) \text{sgn}(b + c - a) + \text{sgn}(b + c - a) \text{sgn}(a + b - c) \right]$$

Manschot, Pioline, Sen;

- So the degeneracy must include a factor of F_{total} .
settle for a simpler problem: replace degeneracies by F_{total} .

We note

$$a = P_1 \cdot Q_2 - P_2 \cdot Q_1 = C_a \cdot \vec{Q}$$

$$b = P_2 \cdot Q_3 - P_3 \cdot Q_2 = C_b \cdot \vec{Q}$$

$$c = P_3 \cdot Q_1 - P_1 \cdot Q_3 = C_c \cdot \vec{Q}$$

where

$$C_a = (-P_2, P_1, 0) ,$$

$$C_b = (0, -P_3, P_2) ,$$

$$C_c = (P_3, 0, -P_1) ,$$

$$\vec{Q} = (Q_1, Q_2, Q_3) .$$

Condition for convergence

$$\Theta_{\mu}[\mathcal{K}](\tau; L) = \sum_{x \in L + \mu} \mathcal{K}(x) q^{-B(x)/2}$$

The sum

$$\mathcal{K}(x, \{V_i\}) = \frac{1}{4} \left(\underbrace{w(\{V_i\})}_{1 \text{ FAPP}} + \sum_{j=1}^N \operatorname{sgn}(B(x, V_j)) \operatorname{sgn}(B(x, V_{j+1})) \right)$$

$$w(\{V_i\}) = - \sum_{j=1}^N \operatorname{sgn}(B(v, V_j)) \operatorname{sgn}(B(v, V_{j+1})) \quad v^2 > 0,$$

converges, if the following Funke-Kudla conditions are satisfied

$$B(V_j, V_j) > 0,$$

$$B(V_j, V_j) B(V_{j+1}, V_{j+1}) - B(V_j, V_{j+1})^2 > 0,$$

$$B(V_j, V_j) B(V_{j-1}, V_{j+1}) - B(V_j, V_{j-1}) B(V_j, V_{j+1}) < 0.$$

Funke Kudla

It is checked that for $V_1 = C_a + C_b - C_c$, $V_2 = C_a + C_c - C_b$, $V_3 = C_c + C_b - C_a$, these conditions are **satisfied**.

modular completion

Replace product of signs with error functions in the sum.

$$\text{sgn}(V_1, x)\text{sgn}(V_2, x) \rightarrow E_2(\alpha, \sqrt{2\tau_2} \mathbf{u}),$$

$$E_2(\alpha; \mathbf{u}) = \int_{\mathbb{R}^2} e^{-\pi(u_1 - u'_1)^2 - \pi(u_2 - u'_2)^2} \text{sgn}(u'_2) \text{sgn}(u'_1 + \alpha u'_2) du'_1 du'_2,$$

$$\alpha = \alpha(V_1, V_2) = \frac{(V_1, V_2)}{\sqrt{V_1^2 V_2^2 - (V_1, V_2)^2}},$$

$$\mathbf{u} = \mathbf{u}(V_1, V_2; x) = (u_1(V_1, V_2; x), u_2(V_1, V_2; x)),$$

where.

$$u_1(V_1, V_2; x) = \frac{(V_{1\perp 2}, x)}{\sqrt{(V_{1\perp 2}, V_{1\perp 2})}},$$

$$u_2(V_1, V_2; x) = \frac{(V_2, x)}{\sqrt{(V_2, V_2)}}$$

another representation of E_2

We find another representation useful.

$$E_2(\alpha; \mathbf{u}) = \operatorname{sgn}(u_2)\operatorname{sgn}(u_1 + \alpha u_2) + \operatorname{sgn}(u_1)M_1(u_2) \\ + \operatorname{sgn}(u_2 - \alpha u_1)M_1\left(\frac{u_1 + \alpha u_2}{\sqrt{1 + \alpha^2}}\right) + M_2(\alpha; u_1, u_2).$$

where, $M_1(u)$, $M_2(u)$ are nasty expressions involving iterated integrals.

Summary

- We have computed 3-centered scaling contributions to $h_{P,\mu'}$, but with replacing bound state degeneracies (pure Higgs degeneracies) by 1.
- We have also made some progress in computing the contribution of “regular part” of the scaling solution space.
- Modularity can still be preserved, albeit at the cost of holomorphicity.

Future directions

- Check same line of thought works for quivers with more nodes and more loops.
- Compute the actual 3-centered scaling contributions to $h_{P,\mu'}$ i.e. by reinstating pure Higgs degeneracies.

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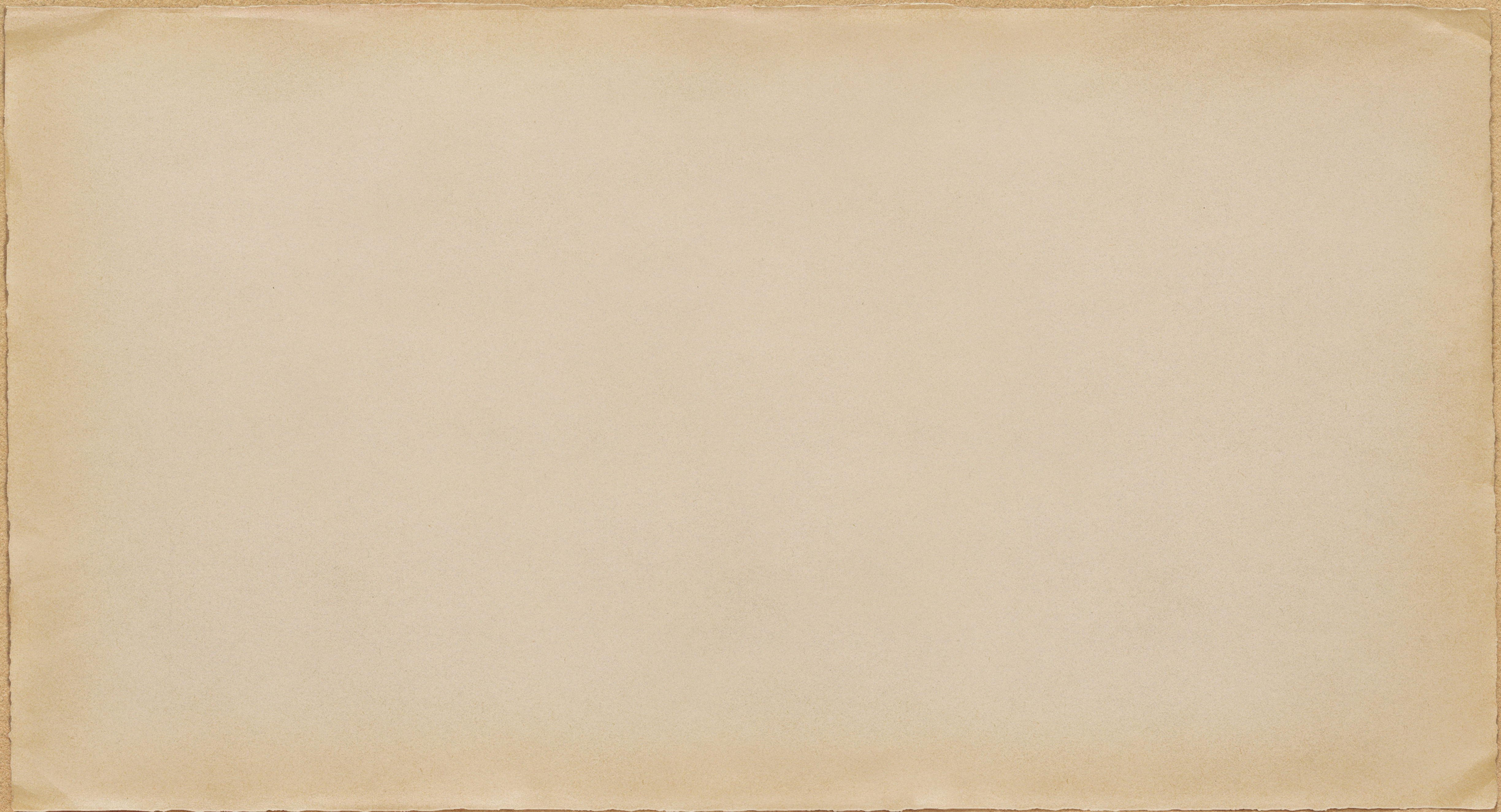
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$$S: \Theta_{\mu}(-1/\tau, -1/\bar{\tau}, -B, C) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{|\Lambda^*/\Lambda|}} (-i\tau)^{b_2^+/2} (i\bar{\tau})^{b_2^-/2} e^{-i\pi P^2/2} \\ \times \sum_{\nu \in \Lambda^*/\Lambda} e^{-2\pi i \mu \cdot \nu} \Theta_{\nu}(\tau, \bar{\tau}, C, B),$$

$$T: \Theta_{\mu}(\tau + 1, \bar{\tau} + 1, C + B, B) = e^{i\pi(\mu + P/2)^2} \Theta_{\mu}(\tau, \bar{\tau}, B, C).$$

$$S: \hat{h}_{P,\mu}(-1/\tau, -1/\bar{\tau}) = -\frac{1}{\sqrt{|\Lambda^*/\Lambda|}} (-i\tau)^{-b_2/2-1} \varepsilon(S)^* e^{-i\pi P^2/2} \sum_{\delta \in \Lambda^*/\Lambda} e^{-2\pi i \delta \cdot \mu} \hat{h}_{P,\delta}(\tau, \bar{\tau}),$$

$$T: \hat{h}_{P,\mu}(\tau + 1, \bar{\tau} + 1) = \varepsilon(T)^* e^{i\pi(\mu + P/2)^2} \hat{h}_{P,\mu}(\tau, \bar{\tau}),$$

An alternative representation of E_2

$$E_2(\alpha; \mathbf{u}) = \operatorname{sgn}(u_2) \operatorname{sgn}(u_1 + \alpha u_2) + \operatorname{sgn}(u_1) M_1(u_2) \\ + \operatorname{sgn}(u_2 - \alpha u_1) M_1\left(\frac{u_1 + \alpha u_2}{\sqrt{1 + \alpha^2}}\right) + M_2(\alpha; u_1, u_2).$$

$$M_1(u) = \begin{cases} \frac{iu}{\sqrt{2\tau_2}} q^{\frac{u^2}{4\tau_2}} \int_{-\bar{\tau}}^{i\infty} \frac{e^{\frac{i\pi u^2 w}{2\tau_2}}}{\sqrt{-i(w+\tau)}} dw, & u \neq 0, \\ 0, & u = 0. \end{cases}$$

$$m_2(u_1, u_2) = \begin{cases} \frac{u_1 u_2}{2\tau_2} q^{\frac{u_1^2}{4\tau_2} + \frac{u_2^2}{4\tau_2}} \int_{-\bar{\tau}}^{i\infty} dw_2 \int_{w_2}^{i\infty} dw_1 \frac{e^{\frac{\pi i u_1^2 w_1}{2\tau_2} + \frac{\pi i u_2^2 w_2}{2\tau_2}}}{\sqrt{-(w_1 + \tau)(w_2 + \tau)}}, & u_1 \neq 0 \\ 0, & u_1 = 0. \end{cases}$$

$$M_2(\alpha; u_1, u_2) = \begin{cases} -m_2(u_1, u_2) - m_2\left(\frac{u_2 - \alpha u_1}{\sqrt{1 + \alpha^2}}, \frac{u_1 + \alpha u_2}{\sqrt{1 + \alpha^2}}\right) & u_1 \neq 0, u_2 - \alpha u_1 \neq 0, \\ -m_2\left(\frac{u_2 - \alpha u_1}{\sqrt{1 + \alpha^2}}, \frac{u_1 + \alpha u_2}{\sqrt{1 + \alpha^2}}\right) & u_1 = 0, u_2 \neq 0, \\ -m_2(u_1, u_2) & u_1 \neq 0, u_2 - \alpha u_1 = 0, \\ \frac{2}{\pi} \arctan \alpha & u_1 = u_2 = 0. \end{cases}$$