

§4.1 Computing 4d central charges from 6d

definition (4d):

$$\langle T_{\mu\nu}^{\mu\nu} \rangle = \frac{c}{16\pi^2} (\text{Weyl})^2 - \frac{a}{16\pi^2} (\text{Euler})$$

where

$$(\text{Weyl})^2 = R_{\mu\nu\rho\sigma}^2 - 2R_{\mu\nu}^2 + \frac{1}{3}R^3$$

$$(\text{Euler}) = R_{\mu\nu\rho\sigma}^2 - 4R_{\mu\nu}^2 + R^2$$

For $N=1$ SCFT's they are related to $U(1)$

R-symmetry anomalies:

$$a = \frac{3}{32} [3\text{tr } R_{N=1}^3 - \text{tr } R_{N=1}],$$

$$c = \frac{1}{32} [9\text{tr } R_{N=1}^3 - 5\text{tr } R_{N=1}]$$

$$\text{tr } R_{N=1}^3 =$$

$\left. \begin{array}{c} \{ U(1)_{RN=1} \\ U(1)_{RN=1} \\ U(1)_{RN=1} \} \\ \text{chiral fermion} \\ \text{t Hooft anomaly coefficients} \end{array} \right\}$

$$\text{tr } R_{N=1} =$$

Relation between anomaly coefficients and anomaly polynomial:

$$I_6 = \frac{q^3}{6} c_1(F)^3 - \frac{q}{24} c_1(F) p_1(T_4)$$

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 u(1) bundle u(1) charge

anomaly polynomial of one Weyl fermion
of charge q

→ summing over all Weyl fermions gives

$$I_6 = \frac{\text{tr } R^3}{6} c_1(F)^3 - \frac{\text{tr } R}{24} c_1(F) p_1(T_4)$$

In order to compute $\text{tr } R^3$ and $\text{tr } R$, we thus have to reduce I_8 of N M5-branes on Riemann surface \sum_g :

$$I_8(N) = N I_8(1) + (N^3 - N) \frac{P_2(N)}{24}$$

where

$$I_8(1) = \frac{1}{48} \left[P_2(N) - P_2(T) + \frac{1}{4} (P_1(T) - P_1(N))^2 \right]$$

Here, N and T stand for normal and tangent bundle of M5-branes on $\mathbb{R}^4 \times \sum_g$

$$P_1(B) = \sum_i b_i^2, \quad P_2(B) = \sum_{i < j} b_i^2 b_j^2$$

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bundle Chern roots

twisting the (2,0) theory:

the 6d (2,0) theory has $Osp(6,2|4)$

superconformal symmetry

→ bosonic subgroups: - $USp(4) \simeq SO(5)$

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R-symmetry

- 6d conformal group
 $SO(6,2)$

supercharges Q and scalar fields Δ

transform under $SO(5,1) \times SO(5)_R$ as:

Q : $4 \otimes 4$ (with symplectic Majorana condition)

Δ : $1 \otimes 5$

two-form and spinors:

B_{MN} : singlet of $SO(5)_R$

$4'$: $4' \otimes 4$

Put the theory on $\mathbb{R}^4 \times \Sigma_g$ and twist

$SO(2)_S$ of $\Sigma_g \hookrightarrow SO(5)_R$
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spin connection

$N=2$ twist:

$$SO(2)_R \times SO(3)_R \subset SO(5)_R$$

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$SO(2)_S$

Q transforms under $\underbrace{SO(3,1)}_{R^4} \times \underbrace{SO(2)_S}_{\sum_g} \times SO(3)_R \times SO(2)_L$

$$\text{as : } 4 \otimes 4 \rightarrow \left(2_{\frac{1}{2}} \oplus 2_{-\frac{1}{2}} \right) \otimes \left(2_{\frac{1}{2}} \oplus 2_{-\frac{1}{2}} \right)$$

we twist as follows: $SO(2)_S \rightarrow SO(2)_S - SO(2)_R$

$$Q \rightarrow 2_0 \otimes 2_{\frac{1}{2}} \oplus 2_1 \otimes 2_{-\frac{1}{2}} \oplus 2_{-1}^1 \otimes 2_{\frac{1}{2}} \oplus 2_0^1 \otimes 2_{-\frac{1}{2}}$$

preserved supercharges are: $2_0^1 \otimes 2_{\frac{1}{2}}$
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 $SO(2)_S$ singlet

$\rightarrow N=2$ superalgebra with $SU(2) \times U(1)$ R-sym

$$U(1)_{R_{N=2}} \simeq 2 SO(2)_R \text{ due to } R[Q] = 1$$

$2_0^1 \otimes 2_{-\frac{1}{2}}$ are conjugate supercharges Q^+

scalars Δ decompose as

$$1 \otimes 5 \rightarrow 1_0 \otimes (3_0 \oplus 1_1 \oplus 1_{-1})$$

$$\xrightarrow{\text{twisting}} 1_0 \otimes 3_0 \oplus \underbrace{(1_{-1} \otimes 1_1)}_{\text{Complex scalar}}$$

$N=1$ twist:

$$U(1)_R \times SU(2)_F \subset SU(2) \times SU(2)_F \simeq SO(4) \subset SO(5)_R$$

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 $SO(2)_S$

Q transforms under $SO(3,1) \times SO(2)_S \times SU(2)_F \times U(1)$:

$$\text{as : } 4 \otimes 4 \longrightarrow (2_{\frac{1}{2}} \oplus 2'_{-\frac{1}{2}}) \otimes (2_0 \oplus 1_{\frac{1}{2}} \oplus 1'_{-\frac{1}{2}})$$

we twist $SO(2)_S \rightarrow SO(2)_S - U(1)_R$

then

$$Q \rightarrow (2_{\frac{1}{2}} \otimes 2_0) + (2_0 \otimes 1_{\frac{1}{2}}) + (2_0 \otimes 1'_{-\frac{1}{2}}) + (2'_{-\frac{1}{2}} \otimes 2_0) \\ + (2'_{-\frac{1}{2}} \otimes 1_{\frac{1}{2}}) + (2'_0 \otimes 1'_{-\frac{1}{2}})$$

→ preserved supercharges : $2_0 \otimes 1_{\frac{1}{2}}$

(with conjugate $Q^+ = 2'_0 \otimes 1'_{-\frac{1}{2}}$)

→ $N=1$ SUSY

$R_{N=1}$ is identified with $2^9 U(1)_R$

scalars decompose as :

$$1 \otimes 5 \rightarrow 1_0 \otimes (2_{\frac{1}{2}} + 2'_{-\frac{1}{2}} + 1_0)$$

twisting

$$\rightarrow \underbrace{1_{-\frac{1}{2}} \otimes 2_{\frac{1}{2}}}_{\text{complex scalar}} + 1_{\frac{1}{2}} \otimes 2_{-\frac{1}{2}} + 1_0 \otimes 1_0$$

Now let us go back to the anomaly polynomial :

- Denote by $\pm \gamma_1, \pm \gamma_2, \pm t$ the Chern roots of the tangent bundle on $\mathbb{R}^4 \times \Sigma_g$

- and by $\pm n_1, \pm n_2$ the Chern roots of the normal bundle

- Denote the $U(1)_R$ bundle by F

$$\rightarrow n_1 \rightarrow n_1 + c_1(F), \quad n_2 \rightarrow n_2 + c_1(F)$$

$N=1$ supersymmetry requires

$$n_1 + n_2 + t = 0$$

Using $\int \sum_g t = 2 - 2g$ and integrating

over Σ_g , we get

$$\int_{\Sigma_g} I_8 = \frac{1}{6} (g-1) N^3 c_1(F)^3 - \frac{1}{24} (g-1) N c_1(F) p_1(T_4)$$

$$\rightarrow \text{tr } R_{N=1}^3 = (g-1) N^3, \quad \text{tr } R_{N=1} = (g-1) N$$