

Intertwining Operators/Genus-0 Conformal Blocks Associated to Permutation-Twisted Modules of $V^{\otimes n}$

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Why should we care about permutation orbifold CFT?

- We have a nice twisted-untwisted correspondence for VOA/conformal net modules
(Barron-Dong-Mason, Kac-Longo-Xu, Dong-Xu-Yu, etc.)
- We are able to compute fusion rings/rules among twisted modules using untwisted data.

(*Conformal net*: Kawahigashi-Longo-Mueger, Longo-Xu, Kac-Long-Xu
VOA: Dong-Li-Xu-Yu
Modular functor: Barmeier-Schweigert
Tensor category: Edie-Michell-C.Jones-Plavnik,
Bischoff-C.Jones, Delaney
etc.)

Explicit modules, but fusion rules are not completely determined

Fusion rings are completely characterized, but objects are “abstract”.

The computation of fusion rules suggests a relation:

Genus 0 permutation-twisted chiral CFT



Higher genus untwisted chiral CFT

Goal: Make the above relation precise (and complete) in the VOA setting

- We assume V is a VOA with positive L_0 -grading
- V -modules: \mathbb{N} -gradable (i.e. admissible) modules, where each graded subspace is finite-dimensional.
- To define **conformal blocks** for untwisted modules, we need data

$$\mathfrak{X} = \{C; x_1, \dots, x_N; \eta_1, \dots, \eta_N\}$$

where C is a (not necessarily connected) compact Riemann surface with distinct marked points x_j and holomorphic injective

$$\eta_j : \text{a neighborhood of } x_j \rightarrow \mathbb{C}, \quad \eta_j(x_j) = 0$$



- Associate a V -module W_j to \mathcal{X}_j
- A conformal block (**CB**) associated to \mathcal{X} and all the modules W_j is a linear functional $\varphi : W_1 \otimes \dots \otimes W_N \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ “invariant” under the action of V . (Zhu, E.Frenkel-BenZvi)
- If \mathcal{X} is \mathbb{P}^1 with 3 marked points associated with modules W_1, W_2, W_3 then

$$\dim\{\text{CB}\} = \text{fusion rule } N_{W_1 W_2}^{W_3}$$

Contragredient
to W_3



Theorem (many people, completed by Damiani-Gibney-Tarasca):

Assume V is CFT-type, C_2 -cofinite, rational.

- $\dim\{\text{CB}\}$ is finite and depends only the topology of C , the number of marked points on each connected component, and the modules.
- Factorization property.

Factorization property

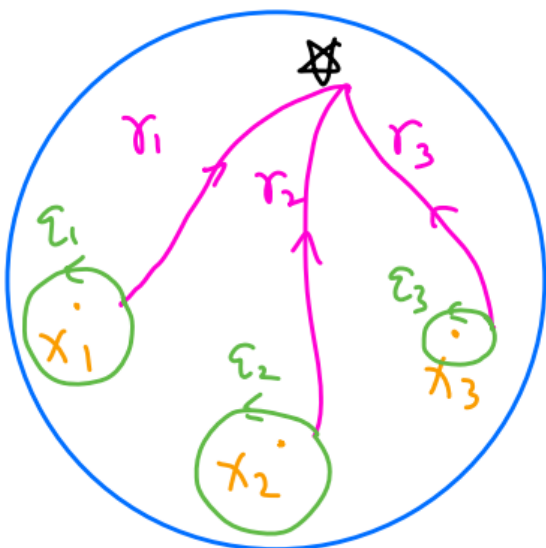
$$\dim \text{CB} \left(\begin{array}{c} w_1 \\ \text{---} \\ w_2 \quad w_3 \quad w_4 \quad w_5 \quad w_6 \end{array} \right) = \sum_{\text{irr } W} \dim \text{CB} \left(\begin{array}{c} \text{---} \\ w \end{array} \right) \cdot \dim \text{CB} \left(\begin{array}{c} w' \\ \text{---} \end{array} \right)$$

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The diagrams illustrate the factorization property of the dimension of the centralizer algebra (dim CB) for a graph with 6 vertices. The first diagram shows a graph with vertices labeled w_1 through w_6 and a dashed green line representing a cut between w_3 and w_4 . This is equated to a sum over all irreducible representations W of the product of the dimensions of the centralizer algebras for the two components of the cut. The second diagram shows the same graph with a dashed green line representing a cut between w_1 and w_2 , which is equated to a sum over all irreducible representations W of the dimension of the centralizer algebra for the graph with the cut removed.

Genus-0 twisted conformal blocks

- Let U be a VOA, a finite group $G \leq \text{Aut}(U)$. If $g \in G$, a g -twisted module is assumed to satisfy $Y(u, e^{-2i\pi} z) = Y(gu, z)$ where the arg of $e^{-2i\pi} z$ is $-2\pi +$ the arg of z
- We consider $\mathfrak{P} = (\mathbb{P}^1; x_1, x_2, x_3; \eta_1, \eta_2, \eta_3; \gamma_1, \gamma_2, \gamma_3)$



Let $\alpha_j = \gamma_j^{-1} \varepsilon_j \gamma_j$, in the picture, $[\alpha_1], [\alpha_2]$ are free generators of $\Gamma = \pi_1(\mathbb{P}^1 \setminus \{x_1, x_2, x_3\}, \star) \simeq F_2$, and $[\alpha_3]^{-1} = [\alpha_1][\alpha_2]$. Then we associate g_j -twisted module \mathcal{W}_j to x_j (for $j=1,2,3$) such that $g_3^{-1} = g_1 g_2$.

A **CB** associated to \mathfrak{P} and $\mathcal{W}_1, \mathcal{W}_2, \mathcal{W}_3$ is a linear functional $\varphi: \mathcal{W}_1 \otimes \mathcal{W}_2 \otimes \mathcal{W}_3 \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ “invariant under the action of V when moving along $\gamma_1, \gamma_2, \gamma_3$ ”.

Now let $E = \{1, 2, \dots, n\}$, let $U = V^{\otimes E} \cong V^{\otimes n}$, let $G = \text{Perm}(E)$. For each $g \in G$ define $\text{Orb}(g) = \{\text{the set of } g\text{-orbits of } E\}$. Then $\mathcal{W} = \bigotimes_{\omega \in \text{Orb}(g)} W_{\omega}$ (where each W_{ω} is a V -module) has a natural structure of g -twisted U -module (by Barron-Dong-Mason).

For $j=1,2,3$, associate $\mathcal{W}_j = \bigotimes_{\omega \in \text{Orb}(g_j)} W_{j,\omega}$ to the marked point x_j . Each $W_{j,\omega}$ is a V -module. Consider a branched covering $\varphi: C \rightarrow \mathbb{P}^1$ which is unbranched outside the finite set $\varphi^{-1}\{x_1, x_2, x_3\}$ and, near each point of this set it looks like $z \mapsto z^k$.

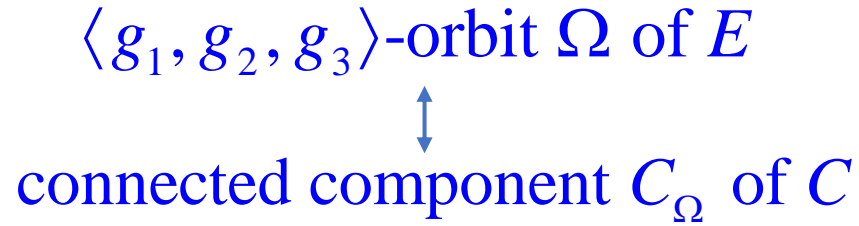
Examples of branched coverings:

(a) $\varphi: \mathbb{P}^1 \xrightarrow{z^2} \mathbb{P}^1$ with branched points $0, \infty$

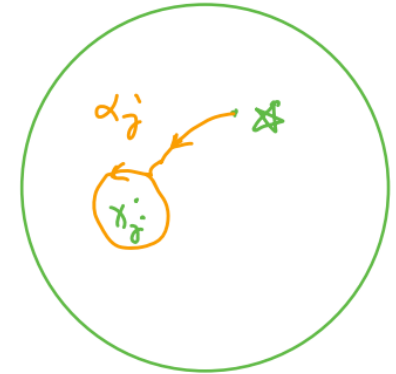
(b) elliptic curve $w^2 = z(z-a)(z-b) \xrightarrow{z} \mathbb{P}^1$ with branched points $0, a, b, \infty$

Describe $\varphi: C \rightarrow \mathbb{P}^1$

- We have 1-1 correspondence

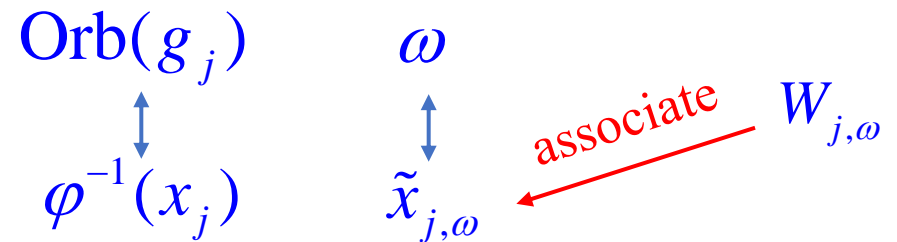


- Define an action $\Gamma \curvearrowright E$ sending $[\alpha_j] \mapsto g_j$. The restriction $\Gamma \curvearrowright \Omega$ is transitive, which is equivalent to a coset action $\Gamma \curvearrowright \Gamma/\Gamma_\Omega$ for a cofinite subgroup $\Gamma_\Omega \leq \Gamma$.



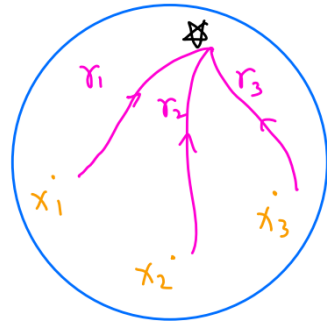
Then $\Gamma_\Omega \leq \Gamma$ corresponds to $\varphi: C_\Omega \setminus \varphi^{-1}\{x_1, x_2, x_3\} \rightarrow \mathbb{P}^1 \setminus \{x_1, x_2, x_3\}$ via the “(cofinite) subgroup \leftrightarrow (finite) covering space” correspondence.

- Moreover, we have 1-1 correspondence



- Near $\tilde{x}_{j,\omega}$, φ is equivalent to $z \mapsto z^{|\omega|}$ where $|\omega|$ is the size of ω .

Theorem (G.) A linear functional $\varphi : \mathcal{W}_1 \otimes \mathcal{W}_2 \otimes \mathcal{W}_3 = \bigotimes_{j=1,2,3} \bigotimes_{\omega \in \text{Orb}(g_j)} \mathcal{W}_{j,\omega} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$



is a CB associated to

and $\mathcal{W}_1, \mathcal{W}_2, \mathcal{W}_3$ iff it is a CB associated to

the branched covering C , the set of marked points

$$\varphi^{-1}\{x_1, x_2, x_3\} = \{\tilde{x}_{j,\omega} : j = 1, 2, 3, \omega \in \text{Orb}(g_j)\}$$

C_2 -cofinite or rational is not assumed in this theorem

with suitable local coordinates, and the associated V-modules $\mathcal{W}_{j,\omega}$.

Note: If C_Ω corresponds to the $\langle g_1, g_2, g_3 \rangle$ -orbit Ω with size $|\Omega|$, then by Riemann-Hurwitz formula,

$$\text{genus}(C_\Omega) = 1 - |\Omega| + \frac{1}{2} \sum_{j=1,2,3} \sum_{\substack{\omega \in \text{Orb}(g_j) \\ \omega \subset \Omega}} (|\omega| - 1)$$

Applications and outlook

- The currently existing VOA/Conforma Net correspondences (Carpi-Kawahigashi-Longo-Weiner, Henriques-Tener, Raymond-Tanimoto-Tener ...) are **genus-0** by nature. Now we know that doing such genus-0 correspondence for permutation-twisted CFT amounts to establishing **higher genus correspondence** for untwisted CFT.
- We have a new explanation of why multi-interval Jones-Wassermann subfactors/multi-interval Connes fusion are related to higher genus CFT. (Asked e.g. by Wassermann in Proceedings ICM 1994.)
- Problem: In VOA, understand genus-1 (or higher genus) data and phenomena (e.g. modular invariance, mapping class group rep.) from the point of view of genus-0 permutation orbifolds (e.g. their G-crossed braided fusion categories). And vice versa!
- Problem: For a completely rational conformal net \mathcal{A} with g_1 -, g_2 -, g_1g_2 -permutation twisted modules $\mathcal{H}_1, \mathcal{H}_2, \mathcal{H}_3$ (or possibly with more modules), construct an explicit isomorphism between $\text{Hom}_{\mathcal{A}}(\mathcal{H}_1 \boxtimes \mathcal{H}_2, \mathcal{H}_3)$ and a space of conformal blocks for untwisted modules (in the sense of Bartels-Douglas-Henriques).

Thank you!