

Disentangling orbifold data

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- Plan:
- 1 Motivation: orbifolding
 - 2 An application of the equivariant index theorem?
 - 3 Appreciating q -series
 - 4 Regularized elliptic genera for simple surface singularities

[Hou/W] *The complex elliptic genus for simple surface singularities*, work in progress, based on Yuhang Hou's 2021 PhD thesis *Elliptic genera of ADE type singularities*, Freiburg

[W17] *Hodge-elliptic genera and how they govern K3 theories*, Commun. Math. Phys. 368 (2019), 187-221; arXiv:1705.09904 [hep-th]

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[Fujiki88]: G is cyclic of order 2, 3, 4 or 6,
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From now on:

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Equivariant index theorem [Atiyah/Bott67, Atiyah/Singer68]

(see also [Hirzebruch/Berger/Jung92, Waelder08])

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C : a compact topological group, acting holomorphically on M , $g \in C$.

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$T|_{M_g^K} = \oplus_\lambda N_\lambda^K$ the eigenbundle decomposition

with respect to the action of g , with eigenvalues $\lambda = e^{2\pi i \zeta_\lambda}$,

and according to the splitting principle, for the total Chern class $c(N_\lambda^K)$,

$$c(N_\lambda^K) = \prod_{j=1}^{r_\lambda^K} (1 + x_\lambda^j):$$

the corresponding EQUIVARIANT ELLIPTIC GENUS is

$$\mathcal{E}^g(M; z, \tau) = \sum_K \int_{M_g^K} \prod_{m=1}^{r_1^K} x_1^m \prod_\lambda \prod_{j=1}^{r_\lambda^K} \frac{\vartheta_1(\tau, z + \zeta_\lambda - x_\lambda^j)}{\vartheta_1(\tau, \zeta_\lambda - x_\lambda^j)}.$$

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Result [Hou/W]

Similar formulas for each of the ADE-type singularities

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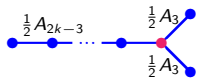
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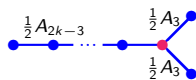
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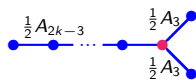
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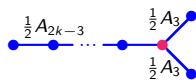
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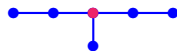


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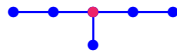
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