

Consistent Pauli reduction on group manifolds

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Motivations

- Search for a unified theory: reconcile matter and gravity in one framework.
- Important historical example: Kaluza-Klein theory.
electromagnetism and gravity unification by embedding in a five dimensional space-time. Provide mechanism for dimensional reduction.
- Idea still influential today (string theory):
→ *consistent* Kaluza-Klein truncation.
Powerful tool: any solution of the lower-dimensional theory can be uplifted to a solution of the higher-dimensional theory

Kaluza - Klein theory

$$\{x^\mu, y\}, \quad \mu = 0, \dots, 3 \quad S = \int d^4x dy \sqrt{|\det(\tilde{g})|} \tilde{R}$$

$$\tilde{g}_{5 \times 5} = \left(\begin{array}{c|c} 4d & 1d \\ \hline \mathbf{g}_{\mu\nu} + A_\mu A_\nu & A_\mu \\ A_\nu & 1 \end{array} \right) \begin{array}{l} 4d \\ 1d \end{array}$$

Dimensional reduction hypothesis: $\partial_y \mathbf{g}_{\mu\nu} = 0$, $\partial_y A_\mu = 0$

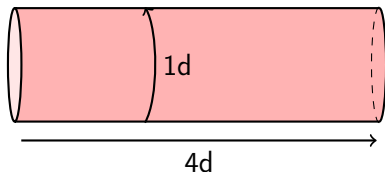
$$\longrightarrow \int d^4x \sqrt{|\det(\mathbf{g})|} \left(R - \frac{1}{4} F_{\mu\nu} F^{\mu\nu} \right) \int dy$$

Photon as geometry !

Compactification

$$S = \int d^4x \sqrt{|\det(g)|} \left(R - \frac{1}{4} F_{\mu\nu} F^{\mu\nu} \right) \int dy$$

→ Compactify fifth dimension, $\int dy = 2\pi r$



$r \ll \text{very small}$ », fifth dimension imperceivable.

A more general toy model

Free massless scalar field in (D+1) dimensional space satisfy

$$\hat{\square}\hat{\Phi}(x, y) = 0$$

Now, suppose we compactify on a circle of 'small' radius R

$$\hat{\Phi}(x, y) = \sum \phi_n(x) e^{iny/R}, \quad \rightarrow \quad \square\phi_n(x) - \frac{n^2}{R^2}\phi_n(x) = 0$$

In this case, truncating to the massless sector (n=0) is *consistent*.

But in general, could have

$$\square\phi_1 + \frac{\phi_1}{R^2} = \phi_0, \quad \rightarrow \quad \phi_1 = 0 \text{ inconsistent .}$$

Q: Are the fields I keep sources for the fields I discard ?

A simple group theoretical argument

$\{e^{iny/R}, n \in \mathbb{Z}\} =$ Representations of $U(1) =$ Sphere harmonics of S^1

- $n=0$ mode: singlet, "uncharged" under $U(1)$
- $n \neq 0$ modes: doublets, "charged" under $U(1)$

Here, truncating to the massless sector = keep only the singlets modes
→ *consistency guaranteed* !

Why ?

Doublets cannot act as sources for singlets.
→ safe to throw them out.

Same group theoretical argument behind the "DeWitt" reduction.

DeWitt reduction vs Pauli reduction

Take internal space compact group manifold G .

$$\hat{\Phi}(x, y) = \sum_{\alpha} \varphi_{\alpha}(x) H_{\alpha}(y)$$

H_{α} : harmonics. α related to rep. of the isometry group $G_L \times G_R$.

Massless spectrum includes Yang-Mills gauge bosons in $G_L \times G_R$.

- DeWitt (1963): Keep set of fields singlet under G_L (or G_R)
→ automatically consistent but gauge group G_L (or G_R).
- Pauli reduction: retain all the $G_L \times G_R$ gauge bosons
→ consistency not guaranteed.

Conjecture by Duff, Nilsson, Pope (1986)

∃ consistent Pauli reduction of the bosonic string.

DFT reformulated

Coordinates (x^μ, Y^M) $\mu = 0..n-1, \quad M = 1..2d$

$$D = n + d$$

↓ enlarged internal space

$$n + 2d$$

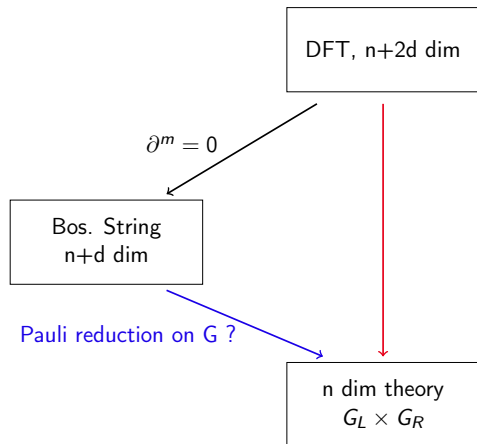
Then, project d unphysical coordinates with the section constraints

$$\eta^{MN} \partial_M \partial_N A = 0, \quad \eta^{MN} \partial_M A \partial_N B = 0$$

for any fields or gauge parameters A, B .

$$\eta_{MN} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & \delta_m^n \\ \delta_m^n & 0 \end{pmatrix}, \text{ SO}(d,d) \text{ invariant tensor}$$

What do we gain from DFT ?



Generalised Scherk-Schwarz

- twist matrix $U \in SO(d, d)$
- scale factor ρ

$n+2d$

n

$$\mathcal{H}_{MN}(x, y) = U_M^A(y) U_N^B(y) M_{AB}(x),$$

$$g_{\mu\nu}(x, y) = e^{-4\gamma\varphi(x)} g_{\mu\nu}(x),$$

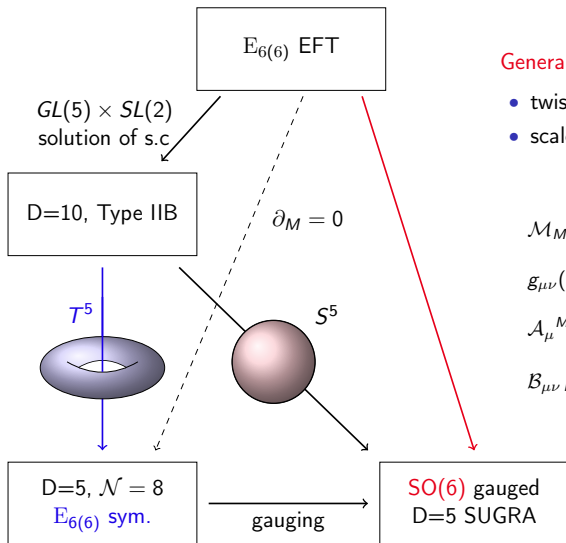
$$A_\mu^M(x, y) = (U^{-1})_A^M(y) A_\mu^A(x),$$

$$B_{\mu\nu}(x, y) = B_{\mu\nu}(x),$$

$$e^\Phi = \rho^{\frac{n-2}{2}}(y) e^{\varphi(x)}.$$

Physically interesting example: $G=SO(4)$

DFT embedded in EFT



Generalised Scherk-Schwarz:

- twist matrix $U \in SO(d, d)$
- scale factor ρ

EFT

5D

$$\mathcal{M}_{MN}(x, Y) = U_M^K(Y) U_N^L(Y) M_{KL}(x)$$

$$g_{\mu\nu}(x, Y) = \rho^{-2}(Y) g_{\mu\nu}(x)$$

$$A_\mu^M(x, Y) = \rho^{-1}(Y) (U^{-1})_{\underline{N}}^M(Y) A_\mu^{\underline{N}}(x)$$

$$B_{\mu\nu M}(x, Y) = \rho^{-2}(Y) U_M^{\underline{N}}(Y) B_{\mu\nu \underline{N}}(x)$$

Results

Explicit reduction ansatz for all fields of the reduced theory

$$\begin{aligned}e^{4\beta\phi} &= \Delta^{2\gamma}(x, y) e^{4\gamma\varphi(x)} \\C_{mn} &= \tilde{C}_{mn}(y) + \Delta^{2\gamma}(x, y) \kappa_A^D \mathcal{K}_{Dm} \mathcal{K}_B^P G_{pn}(x, y) e^{4\gamma\varphi(x)} M^{AB}(x), \\C_{\mu m} &= \kappa_A^D \mathcal{K}_{Dm} A_\mu^A(x) \\&\quad + \Delta^{2\gamma}(x, y) \kappa_C^E \mathcal{K}_A^n \mathcal{K}_{En} \mathcal{K}_D^P G_{pm}(x, y) e^{4\gamma\varphi(x)} M^{CD}(x) A_\mu^A(x), \\C_{\mu\nu} &= B_{\mu\nu}(x) - \kappa_B^C \mathcal{K}_A^m \mathcal{K}_{Cm} A_{[\mu}^A(x) A_{\nu]}^B(x) \\&\quad - \Delta^{2\gamma}(x, y) \kappa_C^E \mathcal{K}_B^n \mathcal{K}_{En} \mathcal{K}_D^P \mathcal{K}_A^m G_{pm}(x, y) \\&\quad \times e^{4\gamma\varphi(x)} M^{CD}(x) A_{[\mu}^A(x) A_{\nu]}^B(x).\end{aligned}$$

Conclusion

- DFT manifestly covariant under $SO(d,d)$, T-duality group
→ embedded in EFT, covariant under exceptional groups
- New tools for non-toroidal compactifications !
(generalised Scherk-Schwarz ansatz)
- Full consistency proof of the Pauli reduction of the bosonic string:
explicit expressions for all fields of the reduced theory