

Ensemble Averages of Narain CFTs & Holography

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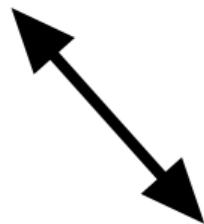
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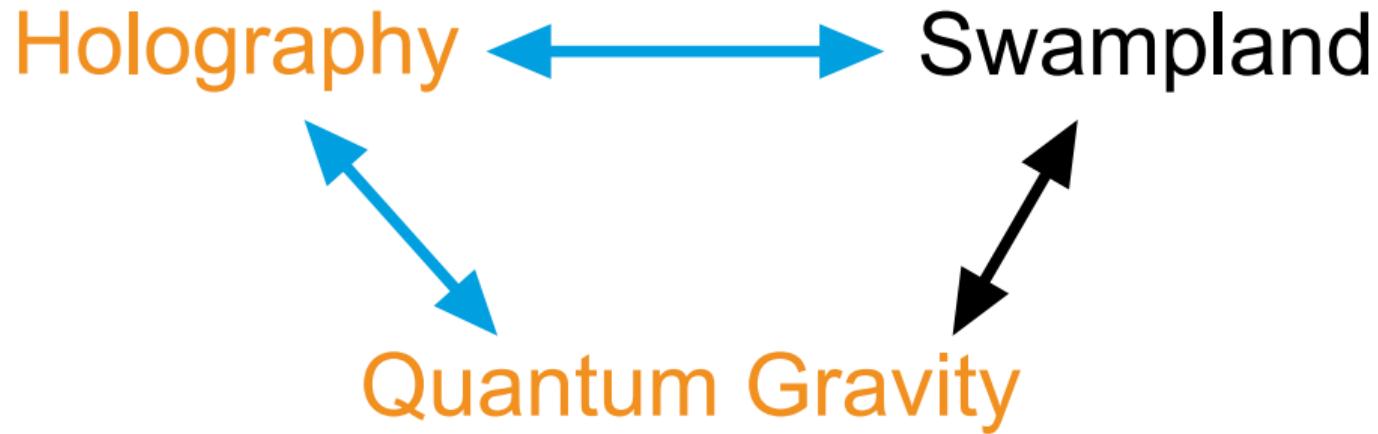


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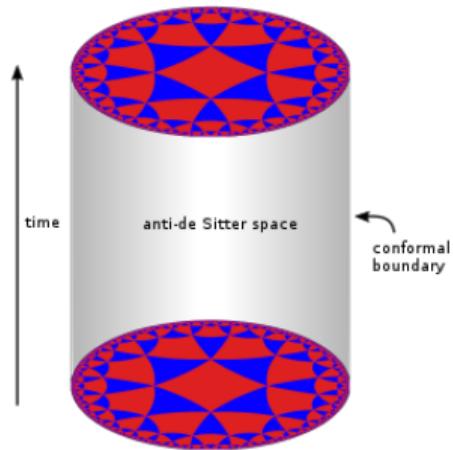
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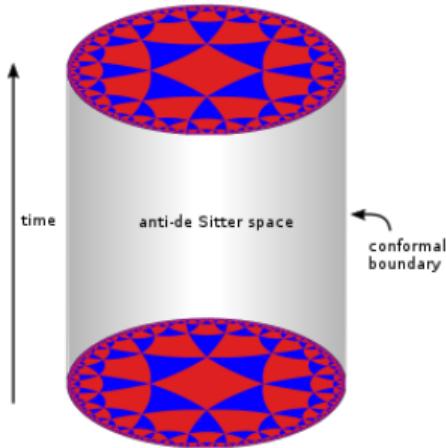
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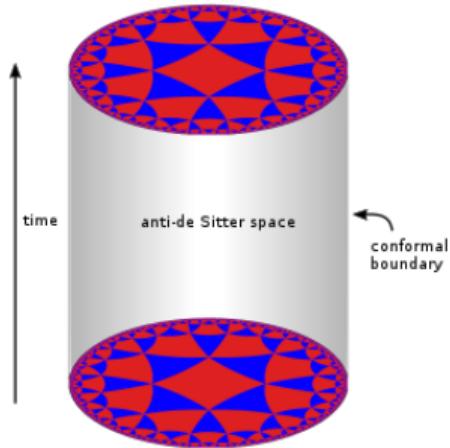


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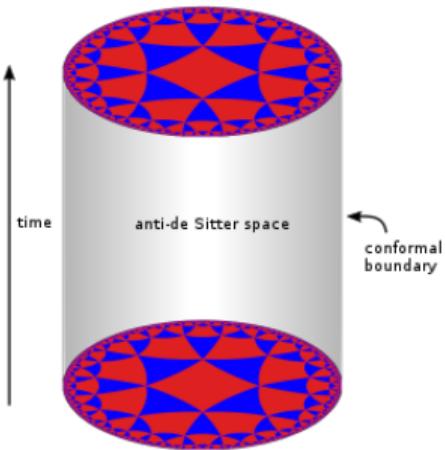


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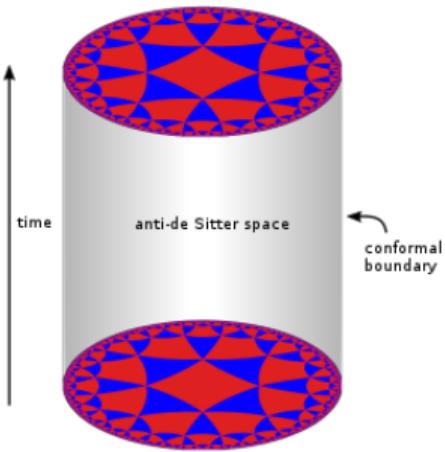
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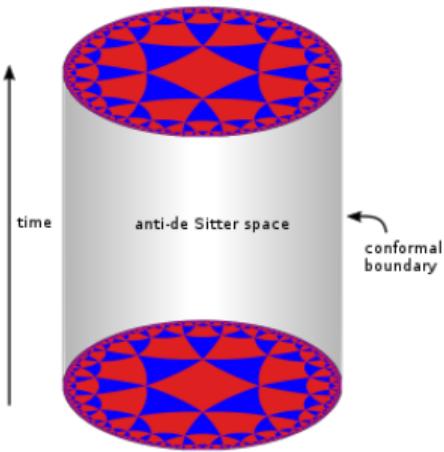
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- > To close OPE, need to define theory by picking out vertex operators that fill out a lattice Λ
- > For vertex operators to have integer spin, want an even quadratic form $Q[k] \in 2\mathbb{Z}$ of signature (p, q)
- > Also have Hamiltonian H that need not have integer values on Λ and depends on moduli
- > Moduli Space:

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- > Canonical Quantization: CS States for general even Q labeled by elements of \mathcal{D} :

$$T|h\rangle = e^{i\pi Q[h]} e^{-\frac{i\pi\sigma}{12}} |h\rangle$$

$$S|h\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{|Q|}} \sum_{h' \in \mathcal{D}} e^{-2\pi i Q[h, h']} |h'\rangle$$

- > The bulk analog of $\lambda_{h,0}$ is something like $\langle 0 | U(g) | h \rangle$. In fact we have

$$\langle 0 | U(g) | h \rangle^* = \langle h | U(g)^{-1} | 0 \rangle = e^{\frac{i\pi\Phi(g)}{12} - \frac{i\pi\sigma}{4}} \gamma_{Q,h}(c, d)$$

Partition functions of CS on Lens spaces!

(see paper by Jeffery)



AdS₃/CFT₂: Duality for Even Q

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- > Can also define average of orbifold twist operator correlation functions [2103.15826]



Things Left Unsaid

- Odd lattice CFTs & Spin Chern Simons

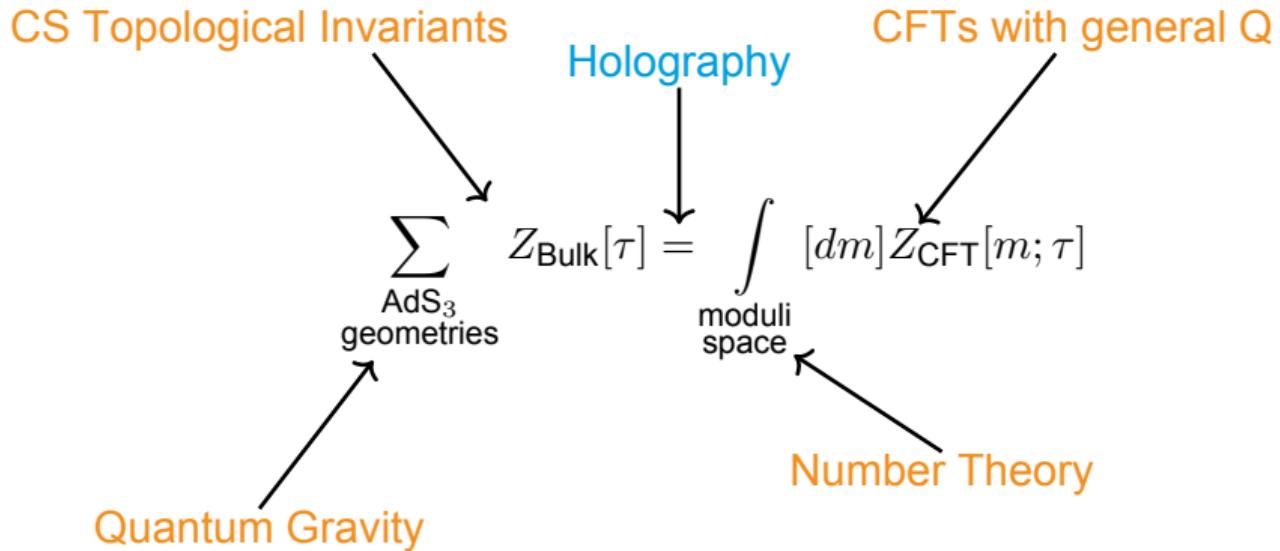
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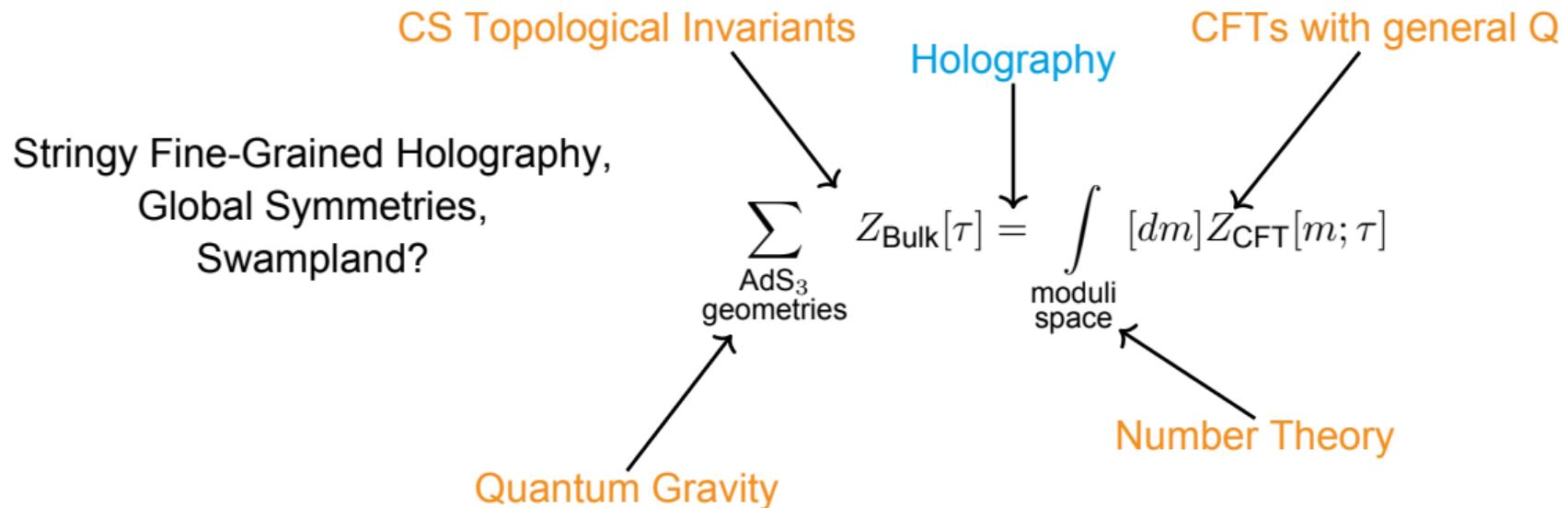
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Thank you!

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