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# Eisenstein series on Kac–Moody groups

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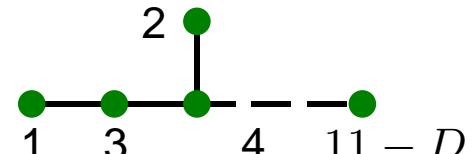
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- Outlook

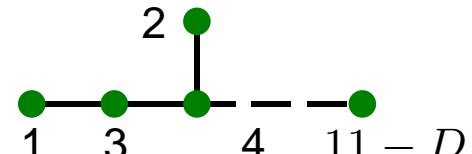
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# Quantization of symmetries

Hidden symmetries get **quantized** when embedded in string theory (cf. [Font et al. 1992; Hull, Townsend 1994])

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$\mathcal{E}_{(p,q)}^{(D)}(\Phi)$  must/should

- be invariant under U-duality  $E_{11-D}(\mathbb{Z})$
- satisfy differential equations (max. susy)
- have a well-defined perturbative string expansion
- obey relations between various  $D$

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$SL(2, \mathbb{Z})$  invariant completion [Green, Gutperle '97; Pioline '98]

$$\mathcal{E}_{(0,0)}^{(10)}(\Phi) = 2\zeta(3) \sum_{\gamma \in B(\mathbb{Z}) \setminus SL(2, \mathbb{Z})} (\gamma \cdot g_s^{-1})^{3/2}$$

$B(\mathbb{Z})$  leaves  $g_s$  invariant. Example of Eisenstein series!



# Eisenstein series

Eisenstein series for  $G \equiv E_{11-D}$  parametrized by weight  $\lambda$

$$E^G(\lambda, \Phi) = \sum_{\gamma \in B(\mathbb{Z}) \backslash G(\mathbb{Z})} e^{\langle \lambda + \rho | \gamma \cdot \Phi \rangle}$$

Satisfies simple Laplace equation (and other diff. eq'n's).  
 $B(\mathbb{Z})$  stabilizer.

Of particular interest:  $\lambda = 2s\Lambda_{i_*} - \rho$ .

fund. weight of node  $i_*$       Weyl vector

Then maximal parabolic Eisenstein series

$$E_{i_*;s}^G(\Phi) = E^G(\lambda, \Phi)$$

# Perturbative terms in $D \geq 3$ (I)

For finite-dimensional  $G = E_{11-D}$  can compute

$$\int_{N(\mathbb{Z}) \backslash N(\mathbb{R})} E^G(\lambda, \Phi) dn = \sum_{w \in \mathcal{W}} M(w, \lambda) e^{\langle w\lambda + \rho | \Phi \rangle}$$

integrate out  
'axions'

↑

Weyl group  
(finite)

num. coefficient

$$M(w, \lambda) = \prod_{\substack{\alpha > 0 \\ w\alpha < 0}} \frac{\xi(\lambda \cdot \alpha)}{\xi(-\lambda \cdot \alpha)}$$

RHS is polynomial in Cartan subalgebra components of  $\Phi$ .  
Above is Langlands' **constant term formula**.

In physical terms, polynomial in string coupling  $g_s$  and radii  $R_i/\ell_D$  of compactifying torus  $\Rightarrow$  perturbative terms

# Perturbative terms in $D \geq 3$ (II)

Laplace equations [Green, Russo, Vanhove 2010]

$$\left( \Delta^{(D)} - \frac{3(11-D)(D-8)}{D-2} \right) \mathcal{E}_{(0,0)}^{(D)} = 6\pi\delta_{D,8}$$

$$\left( \Delta^{(D)} - \frac{5(12-D)(D-7)}{D-2} \right) \mathcal{E}_{(1,0)}^{(D)} = 40\zeta(2)\delta_{D,7}$$

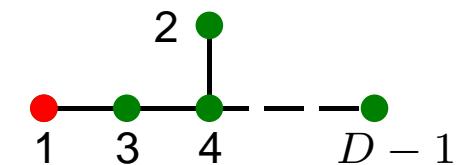
(Likely) solutions [Green, Vanhove, Russo, Pioline, Miller, ...]

$$R^4 :$$

$$\mathcal{E}_{(0,0)}^{(D)} = 2\zeta(3)E_{1;3/2}^G$$

$$D^4 R^4 :$$

$$\mathcal{E}_{(1,0)}^{(D)} = \zeta(5)E_{1;5/2}^G$$



Structure well-understood for  $R^4$  and  $D^4 R^4$  in  $D \geq 3$ ;  
passed many tests. [Green, Vanhove, Russo, Pioline, Miller, ...]

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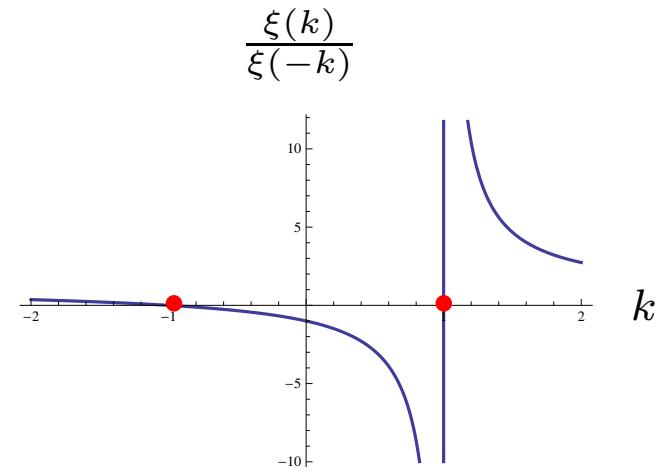
Issues can be overcome, requires apt choice of  $\lambda$ . [\[FK\]](#)

# Perturbative terms in $D < 3$ (II)

Special properties depend on

$$M(w, \lambda) = \prod_{\alpha>0 : w\alpha<0} \frac{\xi(\lambda \cdot \alpha)}{\xi(-\lambda \cdot \alpha)}$$

$$\xi(k) = \pi^{-k/2} \Gamma\left(\frac{k}{2}\right) \zeta(k)$$



Special things happen when the argument  $\lambda \cdot \alpha = \pm 1$ . This happens preferably for integral weights (as for  $D \geq 3$ ).

For  $\lambda = 2s\Lambda_1 - \rho$  with  $s = 3/2$  and  $s = 5/2$  the number of non-vanishing  $M(w, \lambda)$  is finite and the perturbative terms are calculable down to  $D = 0$ !

# Perturbative terms for $E_{11-D}(\mathbb{Z})$

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Non-vanishing  $M(w, \lambda)$  for  $\lambda = 2s\Lambda_1 - \rho$

	$s = 1/2$	$s = 1$	$s = 3/2$	$s = 2$	$s = 5/2$	$s = 3$
$E_7$	2	126	8	14	35	56
$E_8$	2	2160	9	16	44	72
$E_9$	2	$\infty$	10	18	54	90
$E_{10}$	2	$\infty$	11	20	65	110
$E_{11}$	2	$\infty$	12	22	77	132

‘Perturbative terms in maximal parabolic’ can also be evaluated (integrating out fewer axions, only one parameter becomes perturbative).

# Examples of perturbative terms: $E_{10}$

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For  $s = 3/2$  ( $R^4$  1/2-BPS) in string perturbation theory

$$2\zeta(3)r^3 + \frac{5\zeta(7)}{4\zeta(2)}r^{7/2}E_{10;7/2}^{SO(9,9)}$$



tree



one-loop

For  $s = 5/2$  ( $D^4R^4$  1/4-BPS)

$$\zeta(5)r^5 + \frac{7\zeta(11)}{16\zeta(2)}r^{11/2}E_{10;11/2}^{SO(9,9)} + \frac{7\zeta(6)}{3\zeta(2)}r^6E_{3;2}^{SO(9,9)}$$



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$r \ll 1$  related to string coupling.

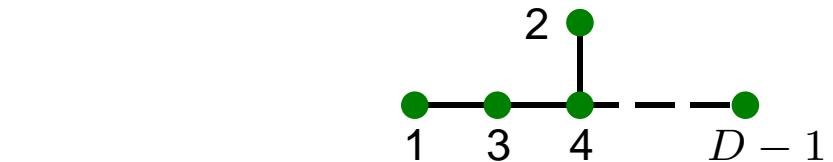
# Results and comments

Perturbative terms of

$$\mathcal{E}_{(0,0)}^{(2)} = 2\zeta(3)v E_{1;3/2}^{E_9},$$

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pass all tests with flying colours!  $v$  is related to derivation of affine  $E_9$ . The correct  $D = 2$  Laplace eigenvalue is [FK]

$$(\Delta^{(2)} + 150) \mathcal{E}_{(0,0)}^{(2)} = 0$$

Determined from careful analysis of physical scales.  
Perturbative terms develop  $\log$  and  $\log^2$ .

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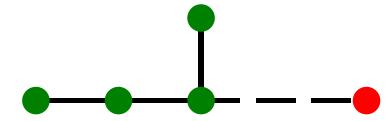


# Consistency checks

Different limits (different cusps)

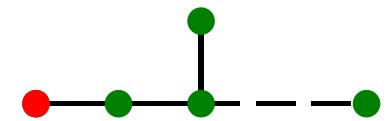
- Decompactification limit  $R_{D+1}/\ell_D \gg 1$

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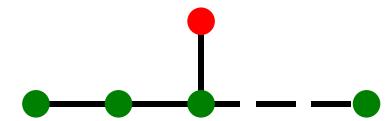
- String perturbation limit  $g_D \ll 1$

$$SO(10 - D, 10 - D) \subset E_{11-D}$$



- M-theory limit  $\text{vol}(T^{11-D})/\ell_D^{11-D} \gg 1$

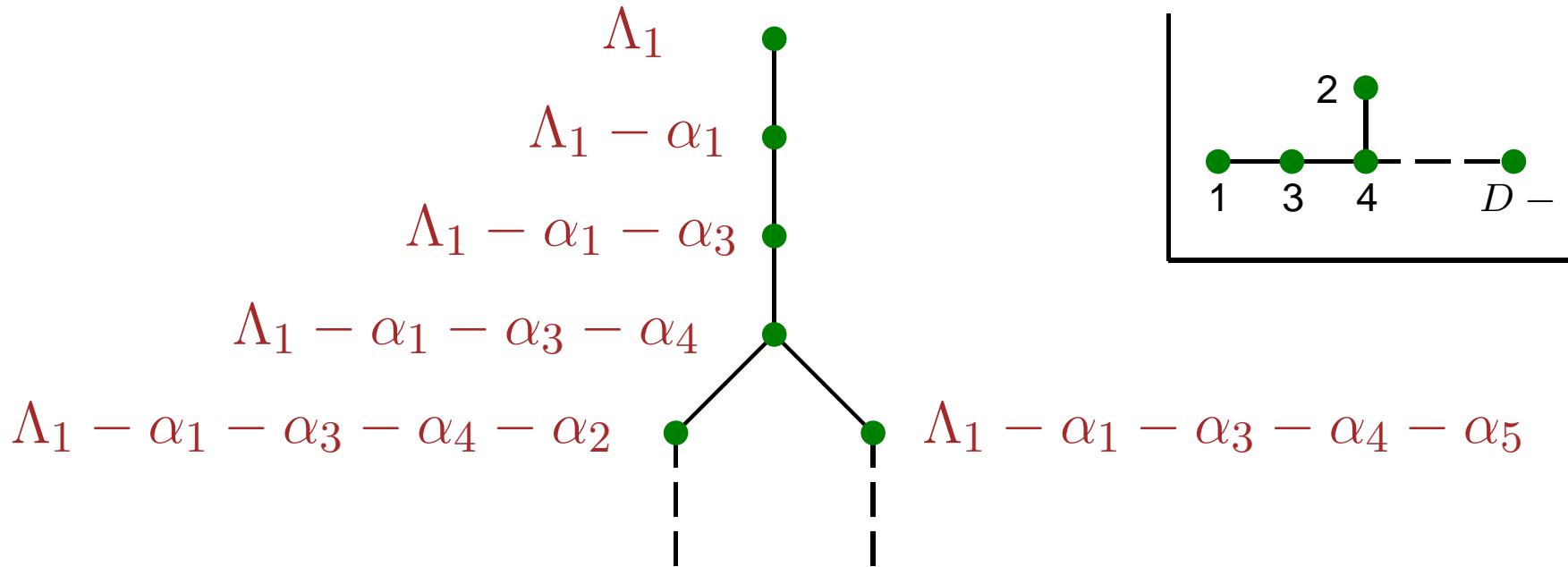
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In all cases, behaviour of scattering amplitudes known ( $D \geq 3$ ). Extended to  $D < 3$ . →back

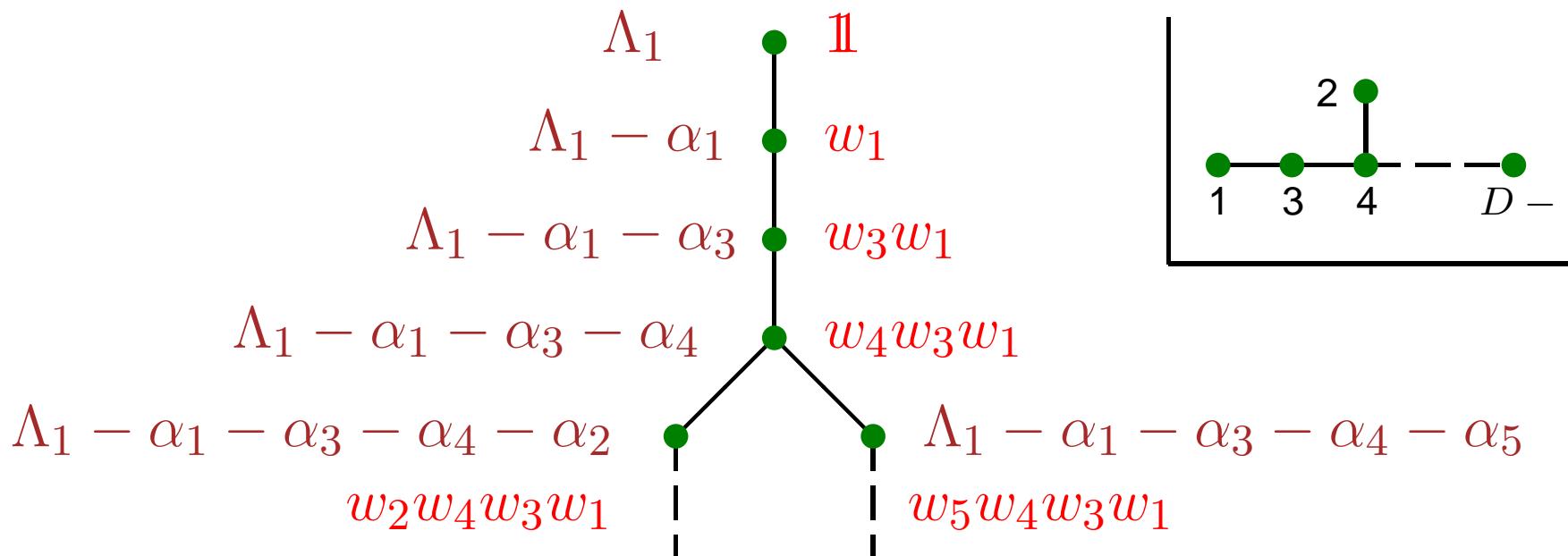
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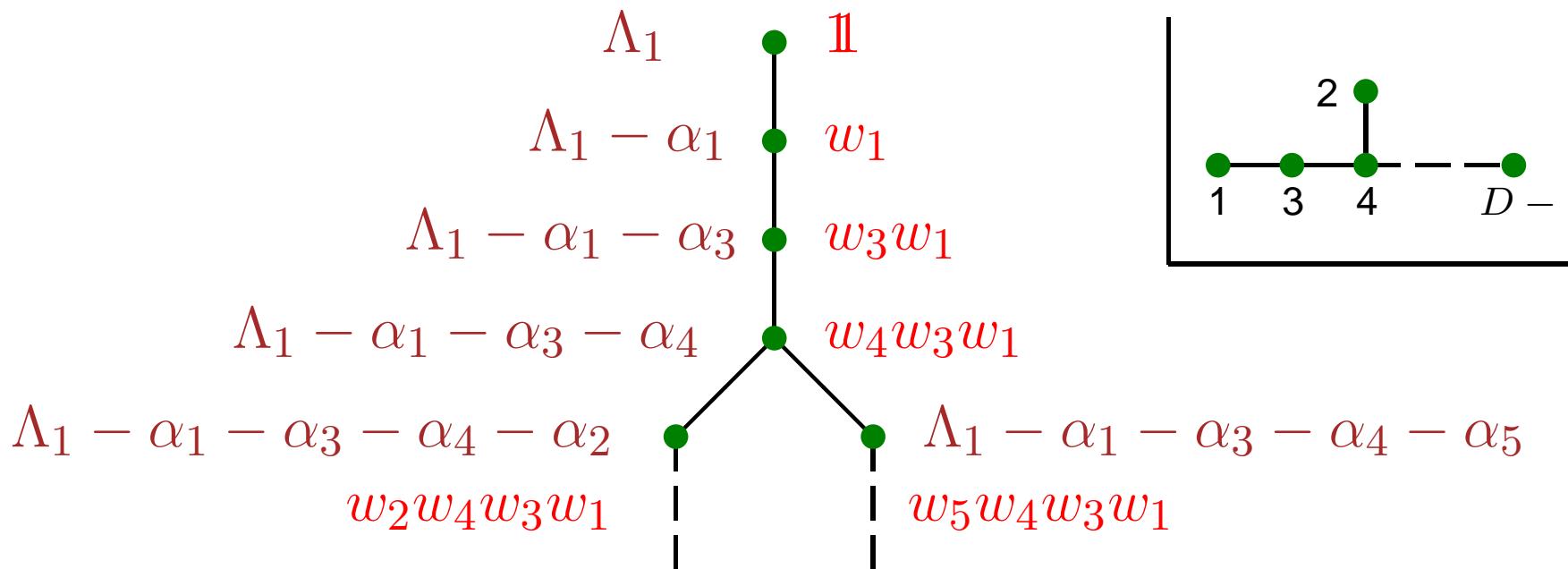
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$\Rightarrow$  Compute coefficient  $M(w, \lambda)$  along the tree. Due to

$$M(w\tilde{w}, \lambda) = M(w, \tilde{w}\lambda)M(\tilde{w}, \lambda)$$

can terminate a given branch once  $M(w, \lambda) = 0$ .  $\rightarrow$  back