

# NON-ABELIAN T-DUALITY AS AN $O(D,D)$ TRANSFORMATION

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## Aim of our work

- To see if the new solutions of Type II SUGRA obtained by Non-Abelian T-duality (NATD) can be generated by an  $O(D,D)$  transformation.
- We have some partial results for an affirmative answer. However, the  $O(D,D)$  matrix in question should be non-constant.

- $O(D,D)$  is the T-duality symmetry of string theory on toroidal backgrounds, which becomes a continuous, solution generating symmetry in the supergravity limit.
- Recent developments in DFT implies that  $O(D,D)$  should be more general, not necessarily requiring the existence of a torus in the background geometry.
- We focus on backgrounds with  $SU(2)$  isometry group. The NATD of such backgrounds has been studied recently.

- NATD is applied by using the standard tools of Buscher method:
- consider string theory propagating on a target space with a compact symmetry.
- gauge the symmetry and introduce a Lagrange multiplier which constrains the gauge field to be pure gauge.
- integrating out the Lagrange multiplier gives the original action.
- integrating out the gauge field gives the T-dual action.
- Well- understood when the gauge symmetry is Abelian.
- Some global issues for non-abelian gauge symmetry.

- We focus on NATD of backgrounds with SU(2) isometry:
- We claim:

The dual solutions can be generated by the following non-constant O(10,10) matrix:

$$T = \begin{pmatrix} 0_{3 \times 3} & 0_{3 \times 7} & I_{3 \times 3} & 0_{3 \times 7} \\ 0_{7 \times 3} & I_{7 \times 7} & 0_{7 \times 3} & 0_{7 \times 7} \\ I_{3 \times 3} & 0_{3 \times 7} & b_{3 \times 3} & 0_{3 \times 7} \\ 0_{7 \times 3} & 0_{7 \times 7} & 0_{7 \times 3} & I_{7 \times 7} \end{pmatrix}$$

Here  $b$  is the 3 x 3 antisymmetric matrix

$$b = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & x_3 & -x_2 \\ -x_3 & 0 & x_1 \\ x_2 & -x_1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

where  $x_i$  are the local coordinates on the group manifold

- This is an  $O(3,3)$  matrix embedded in  $O(10,10)$ :

$$T_3 = \begin{pmatrix} 0_3 & I_3 \\ I_3 & b \end{pmatrix}$$

where  $O(3,3)$  acts along the  $SU(2)$  isometry directions. Note that  $[b]_{ij} = f_{ij}^k x_k = \epsilon_{ij}^k x_k$ . In the limit where the structure constants vanish we have

$$T_3 \rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} 0_3 & I_3 \\ I_3 & 0_3 \end{pmatrix}$$

# OUTLINE

- A brief review of  $O(D,D)$ , particularly its action on the RR fields.
- A case study (in the Abelian case): generating Lunin-Maldacena solutions with  $O(3,3)$ , embedded in  $O(10,10)$ .
- The discussion of NATD as an  $O(10,10)$  transformation.

# O(D,D) action on the NS-NS sector

- An O(D,D) matrix

$$O = \begin{pmatrix} A & B \\ C & D \end{pmatrix}, \quad \text{with } O^T J O = J, \quad J = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & I_D \\ I_D & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

acts on the NS sector as

$$E = g + B, \quad \text{as } E \rightarrow (AE + B)(CE + D)^{-1}$$

$$\Phi \rightarrow \frac{\Phi}{\det(CE + D)^{-1}}$$

$$g \rightarrow ((CE + D)^{-1})^T g (CE + D)^{-1}$$

This is for a flat D-dim background. For an N-dim curved background with D commuting isometries, O(D,D) has to be embedded in O(N,N).



$O(D,D)$  is generated by the following 3 types of matrices:

$$\begin{aligned} \Theta \text{ shifts : } & T_b = \begin{pmatrix} I & \Theta \\ 0 & I \end{pmatrix}, \quad \text{with } \Theta^T = -\Theta, \\ \text{Basis change : } & T_A = \begin{pmatrix} A & 0 \\ 0 & (A^T)^{-1} \end{pmatrix}, \quad \text{with } A \in GL(D, R), \\ \text{Factorized duality : } & T_{D_i} = \begin{pmatrix} I - e_i & e_i \\ e_i & I - e_i \end{pmatrix}, \quad \text{with } (e_i)_{jk} = \delta_{ij}\delta_{ik}. \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \Theta \text{ shifts : } & g \rightarrow g, \quad B \rightarrow B + \Theta \\ \text{Basis change : } & g \rightarrow A^T g A, \quad B \rightarrow A^T B A \\ \text{Factorized duality : } & \text{generalizes } R \leftrightarrow 1/R \text{ in the } i\text{th direction} \end{aligned}$$

$$J = \pm T_{D_1} \cdots T_{D_D} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & I \\ I & 0 \end{pmatrix} : \quad \text{generalizes } R \leftrightarrow 1/R \text{ in all directions}$$

## R-R SECTOR

- RR potentials fit naturally into a spinor representation of  $\text{Pin}(D,D)$ . [Fukuma-Oota-Tanaka, Hohm- Zwiebach-Kwak]
- If the NS-NS sector transforms under the action of a given  $O(D,D)$  matrix  $T$ , the RR sector will transform under  $S$ , where  $\rho(S)=T$ .

$$\rho: \text{Pin}(D,D) \longrightarrow O(D,D), \quad \rho(S) V = S V S^{-1}$$

- For a given  $T$ , the corresponding  $\text{Pin}(D,D)$  element is found by solving

$$S \Gamma_M S^{-1} = \Gamma_N T^N_M, \quad \rho(S) = T$$

where  $\Gamma_M$  are the  $2^D \times 2^D$  Dirac matrices satisfying the Clifford algebra  $C(D,D)$

$$\{\Gamma_M, \Gamma_N\} = 2J_{MN}$$

The RR sector transforms under the action of corresponding elements of  $\text{Pin}(D,D)$ :

$$\rho : \text{Pin}(D, D) \rightarrow O(D, D),$$

$$\rho(S_b) = T_b : \quad S_b = e^{-\mathbf{B}} = \exp\left(-\frac{1}{2}B_{ij}\psi^{i\dagger}\psi^{j\dagger}\right)$$

$$\rho(S_A) = T_A : \quad S_A = \det(A)^{1/2} \exp\left(-\psi^{i\dagger} R_i^j \psi_j\right) \quad (A = (A_i^j) = \exp(R_i^j)),$$

$$\rho(S_i) = T_{D_i} : \quad S_i = \psi^{i\dagger} + \psi_i, \quad i = 1, \dots, D.$$

$$\{\psi_i, \psi^{j\dagger}\} = \delta_i^j \mathbf{1}, \quad \{\psi_i, \psi_j\} = 0 = \{\psi^{i\dagger}, \psi^{j\dagger}\} \quad (i, j = 1, \dots, d).$$

The oscillators realize the Clifford algebra by defining

$$\Gamma_M = (\Gamma_1, \dots, \Gamma_D, \Gamma_{D+1}, \dots, \Gamma_{2D}) = (\sqrt{2}\psi^{i\dagger}, \sqrt{2}\psi_i), \quad i = 1, \dots, D$$

A spinor  $\chi$  in the  $2^D$  Fock space can be identified with

$$|\chi\rangle = \sum_{i=0}^D C_{i_1 \dots i_p} \psi^{i_1\dagger} \dots \psi^{i_p\dagger} |0\rangle$$

$$\psi_i |0\rangle = 0$$

The isomorphism (as a linear space) between the Clifford algebra and Exterior algebra gives a correspondence between polyforms and spinor states

$$\omega = \sum_n \Omega_{i_1 \dots i_n} dx^{i_1} \wedge \dots \wedge dx^{i_n} \longleftrightarrow \Omega = \sum_n \Omega_{i_1 \dots i_n} \Psi^{\dagger i_1} \dots \Psi^{\dagger i_n}$$

Then we define a spinor state corresponding to  $\omega$  as

$$\omega \longleftrightarrow |\omega\rangle \equiv \Omega |0\rangle$$

$$\Omega |\xi\rangle = |\omega \wedge \xi\rangle$$

The transformation of the RR forms under T-duality is determined by the action of the  $\text{Pin}(D,D)$  elements on the spinor state  $|F\rangle$  associated with the polyform encoding all the RR fields of type IIA and Type IIB along with the dual forms:

$$|D\rangle \longrightarrow S |D\rangle \quad |F\rangle \longrightarrow S |F\rangle$$

The p-form fields in the RR sector transform as a spinor of  $\text{Pin}(D,D)$  as follows:

- We introduce the polyforms (democratic formulation of sugra)

$$D \equiv \sum_{p+1=0}^4 D_{p+1}, \quad F \equiv \sum_{p+2=1}^5 F_{p+2}.$$

where  $D_0, \dots, D_4$  are the gauge potentials of Type IIA and IIB Sugra (combined with the B-fields in a convenient way), and

$$F = e^{-B} \wedge dD$$

we also introduce dual gauge potentials by solving the eom of  $D_i$  inclusion of which results in the polyform

$$F = \sum_{p=0}^{10} F_p, \quad F_p = -(-1)^{\frac{1}{2}p(p+1)} * F_{10-p}$$

$$|D\rangle \longrightarrow S |D\rangle \quad |F\rangle \longrightarrow S |F\rangle$$

# Chirality:

- The  $2^D$  dimensional spinor representation of  $O(D,D)$  is reducible.
- One can impose a Weyl condition which yields two spinor representations of opposite chirality of dimension  $2^{D-1}$
- The spinor states they act on can be identified with polyforms consisting of forms of odd and even degree.
- RR fields of Type IIA and Type IIB transform under these chiral representations.
- $S_b$  and  $S_A$  are in  $\text{Spin}^+(D,D)$  and they preserve the chirality of spinor states they act on.
- Odd powers of  $S_i$  changes the chirality of the spinor state exchanging Type IIA and Type IIB
- An important chirality changing element of  $\text{Pin}(D,D)$  is  $C$ , where  $\rho(C) = J$ .

# Example: Multi-parameter Lunin-Maldacena Deformations

- Given a CFT and its supergravity dual via the AdS/CFT correspondence, Lunin and Maldacena found the dual sugra solutions corresponding to marginal deformations of the CFT.
- The method works if the original geometry has 3 commuting isometries. The new solutions can be found via T-dualities.
- In the  $O(D,D)$  language, this corresponds to generating a new solution by the action of the following  $SO(3,3)$  matrix embedded in  $O(10,10)$  in an appropriate way:



$$\begin{pmatrix} 1_3 & 0_3 \\ \Gamma & 1_3 \end{pmatrix}, \quad \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -\gamma_3 & \gamma_2 \\ \gamma_3 & 0 & -\gamma_1 \\ -\gamma_2 & \gamma_1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

This  $SO(3,3)$  matrix can be factorized as

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1_3 & 0_3 \\ \Gamma & 1_3 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1_3 \\ 1_3 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \cdot \begin{pmatrix} 1_3 & \Gamma \\ 0 & 1_3 \end{pmatrix} \cdot \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1_3 \\ 1_3 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

Then the corresponding  $Spin(3,3)$  matrix is

$$CS_bC = \exp\left(\frac{1}{2}\Gamma_{mn}\psi_m\psi_n\right)$$

$$\rho(CS_bC) = \rho(C)\rho(S_b)\rho(C) = JT_bJ.$$

Acting on a sugra solution with 3 commuting isometries, such as  $AdS_5 \times T^{1,1}$  supported by self-dual 5-form flux we end up with a new solution describing a deformed geometry supported by 5-form and 3-form fluxes.

$$\begin{aligned}
 F &= (Vol(AdS_5) + *Vol(AdS_5)) \longrightarrow \exp\left(-\frac{1}{2}\hat{B}_{ij}\Psi^{\dagger i}\Psi^{\dagger j}\right)\hat{F}_{\text{new}} \\
 \hat{F}_{\text{new}} &= \exp\left(\frac{1}{2}\hat{B}_{ij}\Psi^{\dagger i}\Psi^{\dagger j}\right) \left[\exp\left(\frac{1}{2}\Gamma_{mn}\Psi_m\Psi_n\right)(F_5)\right] \\
 &= (Vol(AdS_5) + \hat{*}Vol(AdS_5)) + F_3 + \hat{*}F_3.
 \end{aligned}$$

# NATD as an O(D,D) Transformation:

- The NS-NS sector

$$ds^2 = G_{\mu\nu}(x)dx^\mu dx^\nu + 2G_{\mu i}(x)dx^\mu L^i + g_{ij}(x)L^i L^j$$

$$B = \frac{1}{2}B_{\mu\nu}(x)dx^\mu \wedge dx^\nu + B_{\mu i}(x)dx^\mu \wedge L^i + \frac{1}{2}b_{ij}L^i \wedge L^j$$

$$Q_{\mu\nu} = G_{\mu\nu} + B_{\mu\nu}, \quad Q_{\mu i} = G_{\mu i} + B_{\mu i}, \quad Q_{i\mu} = G_{i\mu} + B_{i\mu}, \quad E_{ij} = g_{ij} + b_{ij}$$

$$Q = \begin{pmatrix} E_{ij} & Q_{i\mu} \\ Q_{\mu i} & Q_{\mu\nu} \end{pmatrix}$$

$$Q \longrightarrow \hat{Q} = (AQ + B)(CQ + D)^{-1} \quad T = \begin{pmatrix} A & B \\ C & D \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0_{3 \times 3} & 0_{3 \times 7} & I_{3 \times 3} & 0_{3 \times 7} \\ 0_{7 \times 3} & 1_{7 \times 7} & 0_{7 \times 3} & 0_{7 \times 7} \\ I_{3 \times 3} & 0_{3 \times 7} & b_{3 \times 3} & 0_{3 \times 7} \\ 0_{7 \times 3} & 0_{7 \times 7} & 0_{7 \times 3} & I_{7 \times 7} \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\hat{Q} = \begin{pmatrix} \hat{E}_{ij} & \hat{Q}_{i\mu} \\ \hat{Q}_{\mu i} & \hat{Q}_{\mu\nu} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \hat{E}_{ij} & -\hat{E}_{ij}Q_{j\mu} \\ Q_{\mu j}\hat{E}_{ji} & Q_{\mu\nu} - Q_{\mu i}\hat{E}_{ij}Q_{j\nu} \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\hat{E} = (0E + I)(IE + b_{ij}(\hat{x}))^{-1} = (E + \epsilon_{ij}{}^k z_k)^{-1}.$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} \tilde{x}^i \\ x^i \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} z^i \\ x^i \end{pmatrix} \longrightarrow T \begin{pmatrix} z^i \\ x^i \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} x^i \\ z^i \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\begin{aligned} ds^2 &= \hat{G}_{\mu\nu} dx^\mu dx^\nu + 2\hat{G}_{\mu i} dx^\mu dz^i + \hat{g}_{ij} dz^i dz^j \\ \hat{B} &= \frac{1}{2}\hat{B}_{\mu\nu} dx^\mu \wedge dx^\nu + \hat{B}_{\mu i} dx^\mu \wedge dz^i + \frac{1}{2}\hat{B}_{ij} dz^i \wedge dz^j \end{aligned}$$

This is the same background obtained by the standard methods of NATD.

- Note that the part of the geometry along SU(2) directions transform under O(3,3):

$$T_3 = \begin{pmatrix} 0_3 & I_3 \\ I_3 & b \end{pmatrix}$$

where that  $[b]_{ij} = f_{ij}{}^k x_k = \epsilon_{ij}{}^k x_k$ . In the limit where the structure constants vanish this reduces to 3 consecutive abelian dualities.

- This O(3,3) matrix can be factorized as

$$T = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & I \\ I & b \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & I_D \\ I_D & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} I & b \\ 0 & I \end{pmatrix}$$

- The first transformation turns on a non constant B-field. The second transformation inverts the background matrix, taking from IIA to IIB and vice versa.

## RAMOND RAMOND SECTOR

- The corresponding Pin(10,10) matrix can be found easily to be

$$\begin{aligned} S &= CS_b \\ &= (\psi^1 - \psi_1)(\psi^2 - \psi_2)(\psi^3 - \psi_3) \exp(1/2 b_{ij} \psi^i \psi^j) \\ &= (\psi^1 - \psi_1)(\psi^2 - \psi_2)(\psi^3 - \psi_3)(1 + z^1 \psi^2 \psi^3 + z^2 \psi^3 \psi^1 + z^3 \psi^1 \psi^2) \end{aligned}$$

## EXAMPLE: $AdS_3 \times T^4 \times S^3$ [Sfetsos,Thompson ]

- NATD of this background supported by 3- and 7-form RR fluxes has been studied by Sfetsos and Thompson.

$$F_3 + *F_3, \quad F_3 = Vol(S^3) + Vol(AdS_3)$$

Acting on the corresponding spinor state with the  $Pin(10,10)$  operator above, we obtain a new spinor with the corresponding polyform  $F_{\text{new}}$  :

$$F_{\text{new}} = e^{-\hat{B}} \hat{F}$$

From this we read the new RR fluxes:

$$F_0 = 1$$

$$F_2 = \frac{r^3}{1+r^2} Vol(S^2)$$

$$F_4 = -rdr \wedge Vol(AdS_3) + Vol(T^4)$$

and their Hodge duals with respect to the new geometry.

# CONCLUSIONS

- We have presented evidence that shows that NATD of backgrounds with  $SU(2)$  isometry can be described through the action of a non-constant  $O(3,3)$  transformation.
- This T-duality transformation amounts to turning on non-constant B-field and then applying the transformation that exchanges Type IIA and IIB.
- We have looked at several examples, case by case. For a general proof of why the method works (eom, Hodge duality) we find the framework of DFT very useful.