

Generalizing generalized supergravity

based on works

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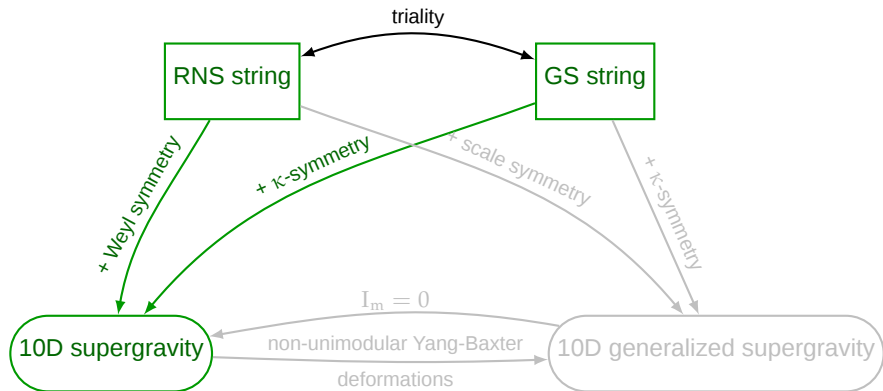
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String theory and supergravity



From the RNS superstring to 10D SUGRA

RNS action (world-sheet SUSY):

$$S = \frac{1}{4\pi\alpha'} \int d^2\sigma \sqrt{g} \left(G_{mn} \partial_I x^m \partial^I x^n + i B_{mn} \epsilon^{IJ} \partial_I x^m \partial_J x^n + \alpha' \Phi R^{(2)} \right). \quad (1)$$

Weyl invariance $\langle T^\alpha_\alpha \rangle = 0$ (one-loop):

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{1}{\alpha'} \beta^{1\text{-loop}}(\Phi) &= R - \frac{1}{12} H^2 + 4 \nabla^m \nabla_m \Phi - 4 (\nabla \Phi)^2 = 0, \\ \frac{1}{\alpha'} \beta^{1\text{-loop}}(G) &= R_{mn} - \frac{1}{4} H_{mkl} H_n{}^{kl} + 2 \nabla_m \nabla_n \Phi = 0, \\ \frac{1}{\alpha'} \beta^{1\text{-loop}}(B) &= \frac{1}{2} \nabla^k H_{kmn} - H_{kmn} \nabla^k \Phi = 0. \end{aligned} \quad (2)$$

Weyl invariance of the RNS string \implies equations of 10D supergravity

[Callan (1985, 1986, 1989)]

From GS superstring to 10D SUGRA

Green-Schwarz superstring action (SUSY in target space)

$$S = \int d^2\sigma \sqrt{-G} - \int_{\Sigma} B, \quad G = \det G_{IJ}, \quad (3)$$

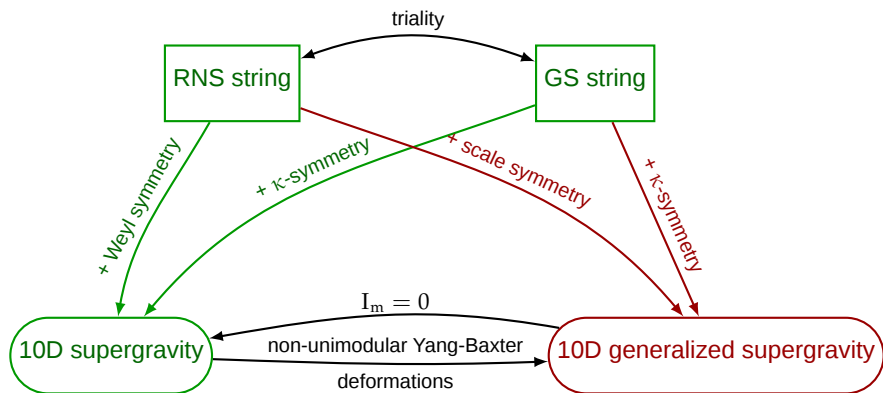
$$G_{IJ} = E_I^a E_J^b \eta_{ab}, \quad E_I^A = \partial_{IZ}^M E_M^A(z), \quad z^M = (x^m, \theta^\mu). \quad (4)$$

κ -symmetry (gauge away half of supersymmetries):

$$\begin{aligned} \delta_{\kappa Z}^M E_M^a &= 0, \\ \delta_{\kappa Z}^M E_M^{\alpha i} &= \frac{1}{2} (1 + \Gamma)^{\alpha i}_{\beta j} \kappa^{\beta j}, \quad \Gamma = \frac{1}{2\sqrt{-G}} \epsilon^{IJ} E_I^a E_J^b \gamma_{ab} \sigma^3 \end{aligned} \quad (5)$$

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More accurately:

[Tseytlin, Wulff (2016)]

Bianchi identities + κ -symmetry \iff generalized 10D supergravity

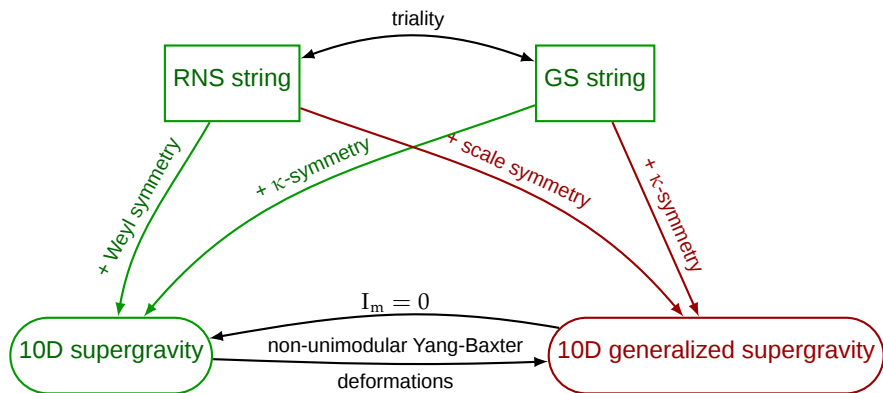
$$\begin{aligned} R - \frac{1}{12} H^2 + 4 \nabla^m X_m - 4 X_m X^m &= 0, \\ R_{mn} - \frac{1}{4} H_{mkl} H_n{}^{kl} + \nabla_m X_n + \nabla_n X_m &= 0, \\ \frac{1}{2} \nabla_k H^{kmn} - H^{kmn} X_k - \nabla^m X^n + \nabla^n X^m &= 0, \end{aligned} \tag{6}$$

- Instead of the dilaton the field:

$$X_m = \partial_m \Phi + I_m - B_{mn} I^n \tag{7}$$

- I^m — a Killing vector. $I^m = 0$ gives the usual supergravity.

String theory and supergravity



The actual discovery of generalized sugra

- GS string on $\text{AdS}_5 \times \mathbb{S}^5$ is integrable [Bena, Polchinski, Roiban (2004)]
- GS string is integrable on Yang-Baxter (η -)deformed background $\text{AdS}_5 \times \mathbb{S}^5$ [Vicedo, Delduc, Magro (2013)]

$$S = -\frac{(1 + \eta^2)^2}{2(1 - \eta^2)} \int d\tau d\sigma P_-^{ab} \text{STr} \left[A_a \cdot d \circ \frac{1}{1 - \eta R_g \circ d} (A_b) \right] \quad (8)$$

- does not solve ordinary sugra equations [Arutyunov, Borsato, Frolov (2015)]
- solves equations of generalized sugra [Arutyunov, Frolov, Hoare, Roiban, Tseytlin (2015)]

The membrane story

- κ -symmetry + Bianchi identities \iff equations of 11D supergravity
[Bershoeff, Sezgin, Townsend (1987)]

$$S_{11} = \int d^{11}x \sqrt{G} \left(R[G] - \frac{1}{48} F_{mnpq} F^{mnpq} + \dots \right) \quad (9)$$

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Recall: generalized sugra comes from YB deformations.

Double field theory and supergravity

- Double field theory — O(10,10)-covariant formulation of 10D supergravity

$$S_{\text{DFT}} = \int d^{10}\mathbb{X} e^{-2d} \mathbb{Q}, \quad \mathbb{X}^M = \{x^m, \tilde{x}_m\} \quad (10)$$

- The most convenient here is the flux formulation

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbb{Q} = & \mathcal{H}^{AB} \mathcal{F}_A \mathcal{F}_B + \mathcal{F}_{ABC} \mathcal{F}_{DEF} \left(\frac{1}{4} \mathcal{H}^{AD} \eta^{BE} \eta^{CF} - \frac{1}{12} \mathcal{H}^{AD} \mathcal{H}^{BE} \mathcal{H}^{CF} \right) \\ & - \mathcal{F}_A \mathcal{F}^A - \frac{1}{6} \mathcal{F}_{ABC} \mathcal{F}^{ABC}, \end{aligned} \quad (11)$$

Double field theory and supergravity

- $\mathcal{F}_{AB}{}^C$ — generalized anholonomicity coefficients (fluxes)

$$[E_A, E_B]_{\text{genLie}} = \mathcal{F}_{AB}{}^C E_C, \quad E_A{}^M = \begin{pmatrix} e_a^m & 0 \\ -e_a^k B_{km} & e_m^a \end{pmatrix}, \quad (12)$$
$$d = \varphi - \frac{1}{2} \log \det ||e_m^a||.$$

- In supergravity parametrization:

$$\mathcal{F}_{abc} = -H_{abc}, \quad \mathcal{F}_{ab}{}^c = f_{ab}{}^c, \quad \mathcal{F}_a = 2e_a{}^m \nabla_m \varphi + f_{ab}{}^b, \quad (13)$$

$$f_{ab}{}^c = -2e_a^m e_b^n \partial_{[m} e_{n]}^c \leftarrow \text{anholonomicity coefficients}$$

- The DFT EoMs \iff 10D supergravity EoMs

Yang-Baxter deformation is a local $O(d,d)$ rotation

- Given Killing vectors $k_a{}^m$ construct

$$\beta^{mn} = r^{ab} k_a{}^m k_b{}^n, \quad r^{ab} = \text{const} \quad (14)$$

- $O(d,d)$ transform the fields

$$E'_M{}^A = O_M{}^N E_N{}^B, \quad O_M{}^N = \begin{pmatrix} \delta_m{}^n & -\beta^{nm} \\ 0 & \delta_n{}^m \end{pmatrix} = \exp(\beta^{mn} T_{mn}), \quad (15)$$

- Deformation of fluxes is ruled by

(i) classical Yang-Baxter equation and (ii) unimodularity

$$\begin{aligned} \delta \mathcal{F}_{ABC} &\propto \text{CYBE} : f_{de} [{}^a r^b | d | r^c] e = 0 \\ \delta \mathcal{F}_a &= 2I^m B_{mn} e_a{}^n, \\ \delta \mathcal{F}^a &= 2I^a, \end{aligned} \quad (16)$$

The trick in 10D

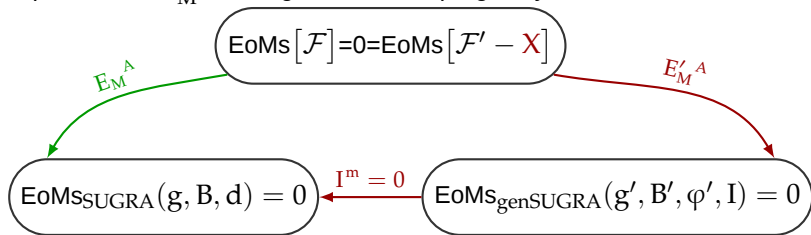
- Deform fluxes as if they would under non-unimodular YB

$$\begin{aligned}\mathcal{F}'_{ABC} &= \mathcal{F}_{ABC}, \\ \mathcal{F}'_A &= \mathcal{F}_A + \chi_A,\end{aligned}\tag{17}$$

- For \mathcal{F}'_{ABC} to still define 10D supergravity fields $E'_M{}^A$ (Bianchi identities):

$$\mathcal{L}_\chi E'_A{}^M = 0, \quad \mathcal{L}_\chi d' = 0, \quad \chi_M \chi^M = 0.\tag{18}$$

- Equations for $E'_M{}^A$: 10D generalized supergravity



Generalization to 11 dimensions

In this form the procedure easily generalizes to 11 dimensions with replacements:

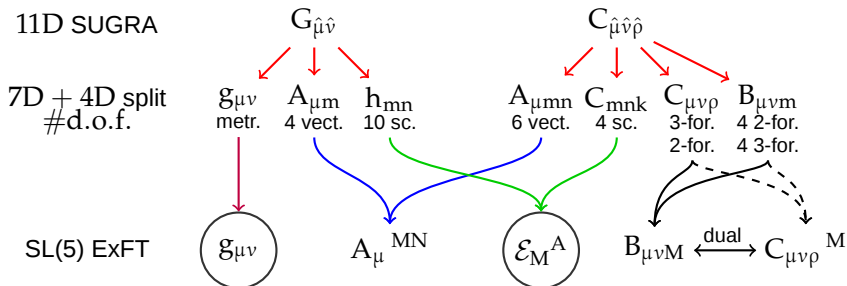
- DFT \longrightarrow Exceptional FT — $E_{d(d)}$ -covariant formulation of sugra
- field content $\{g_{mn}, B_{mn}, \varphi\} \longrightarrow \{g_{mn}, C_{mnk}\}$
- The deformation $X_M \longrightarrow X_{MNK}^L$ (no longer a generalized Killing vector)
- The Killing vector $I^m \longrightarrow J^{m,n}$

Exceptional field theory

- 11d sugra on \mathbb{T}^d enjoys U-duality symmetry group $E_{d(d)}$
 [Cremmer, Julia (1979, 1981)]

$$E_{5(5)} = SO(5,5), \quad E_{4(4)} = SL(5), \quad E_{3(3)} = SL(3) \times SL(2). \quad (19)$$

- For E_d -covariance split is necessary



Flux formulation of the SL(5) theory

- Restrict to backgrounds $M_{11} = M_7 \times M_4$

$$g_{\mu\nu}(y^\mu, x^m) = e^{-2\phi(x^m)} \bar{g}_{\mu\nu}(y^\mu), \quad E_M^A(x) = e^{-\frac{\phi}{2}} \mathcal{E}_M^A(x). \quad (20)$$

- Generalized fluxes (anholonomicity)

$$\begin{aligned} [E_{AB}, E_C] &= F_{AB,C}{}^D F_D, \\ \mathcal{F}_{ABC}{}^D &= \frac{3}{2} Z_{ABC}{}^D - \frac{1}{2} \theta_{[AB} \delta_{C]}{}^D + \delta_{[A}{}^D Y_{B]C} \end{aligned} \quad (21)$$

- Flux Lagrangian of the theory (a subsector of 11D sugra)

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{L}' &= Y_{AB} Y^{AB} - \frac{1}{2} Y_A{}^A Y_B{}^B + 32 Z^{ABC} Z_{ABC} + 32 Z^{AB}{}_{A} Z_{BC}{}^C \\ &\quad - \frac{7}{3} \theta_{AB} \theta^{AB} + \Lambda, \end{aligned} \quad (22)$$

GenYB deformation is a local E_d transformation

- Given Killing vectors k_α^m define

$$\Omega^{mnk} = \frac{1}{6} \rho^{\alpha\beta\gamma} k_\alpha^m k_\beta^n k_\gamma^k. \quad (23)$$

- SL(5) transform the fields

$$E'_M{}^A = O_M{}^N E_N{}^B, \quad O = \begin{bmatrix} \delta_m^n & 0 \\ \frac{1}{3!} \epsilon_{mpqr} \Omega^{pqr} & 1 \end{bmatrix} = \exp(\Omega^{mnk} T_{mnk}) \quad (24)$$

- Deformation of fluxes $\delta \mathcal{F}_{AB,C}{}^D \propto g\text{CYBE} + g\text{Uni}$ is ruled by (i)generalized CYBE and (ii)generalized unimodularity

$$g\text{CYBE} = 6\rho^{[\alpha_2|\alpha_7\beta_1}\rho^{|\alpha_3\alpha_4|\beta_2}f_{\beta_1\beta_2}{}^{|\alpha_5]} + \rho^{\beta_1\beta_2}[\alpha_2\rho^{\alpha_3\alpha_4\alpha_5}]f_{\beta_1\beta_2}{}^{\alpha_7},$$

$$g\text{Uni} = \frac{1}{4} E^m{}_C E^n{}_A E^k{}_B E_l{}^E J^{lp} \epsilon_{kmnp}, \quad J^{mn} = k_{\alpha_1}{}^m k_{\alpha_4}{}^n \rho^{\alpha_1\alpha_2\alpha_3} f_{\alpha_2\alpha_3}{}^{\alpha_4} \quad (25)$$

Apply the same trick for 11D bg's

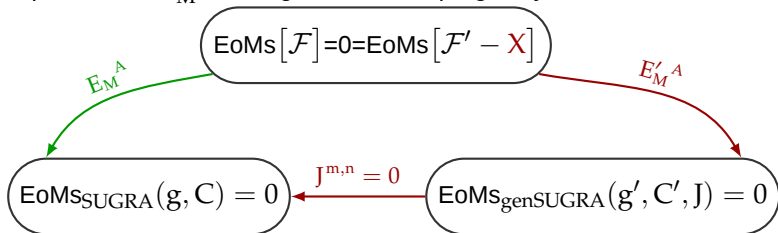
- Deform fluxes as if they would under non-unimodular **genYB**

$$\mathcal{F}'_{AB,C}{}^D = \mathcal{F}_{AB,C}{}^D + X_{ABC}{}^D, \quad (26)$$

- For $\mathcal{F}'_{AB,C}{}^D$ to still define 11D supergravity fields $E'_M{}^A$ (Bianchi identities):

$$\text{Bianchi}[\mathcal{F}'_{AB,C}{}^D] = 0 \quad (27)$$

- Equations for $E'_M{}^A$: 11D generalized supergravity



Constraints on J^{mn} from Bianchi

$$\begin{aligned}L_{e_a} J^{kl} + J^{nl} \partial_n \varphi e_a^k &= 0, & J^{mn} \partial_n \varphi &= 0, \\ \nabla_m (e^{-\phi} I^{mn}) &= 0, & J^{m[n} J^{kl]} &= 0,\end{aligned}\tag{28}$$

$$\begin{aligned}\nabla_{[m} Z_{n]} - \frac{1}{3} J^{kl} F_{mnkl} &= 0, \\ \nabla_k (e^{-\phi} J^{k[l} V^{p]}) &= 0,\end{aligned}\tag{29}$$

$$\nabla_k (J^{(pl)} V^k) - \nabla_k (V^{(p} J^{l)k}) = 0.$$

where

$$Z_m = \partial_m \varphi - \frac{2}{3} \epsilon_{mnlk} J^{nk} V^l.\tag{30}$$

Generalized equations

$$\begin{aligned}
 0 &= \mathcal{R}_{mn}[\mathbf{h}_{(4)}] - 7\tilde{\nabla}_{(m}Z_{n)} - \frac{1}{3}\mathbf{h}_{mn}(\nabla V) + 8(1 + V^2)\left(S_{mn}J^k{}_k - 2J^k{}_{(m}J_{n)k}\right) \\
 &\quad + 4V_m V_n \left(J^{kl}J_{kl} - 2J^{kl}J_{lk}\right) + 4V_k V_l \left(4J_{(m}{}^k J_n)^1 - J^k{}_{(m}J^1{}_{n)} - 2S^{kl}S_{mn}\right) \\
 &\quad + 8V_k V_{(m} \left(2J^1{}_{n)}J^k{}_1 - 2S_{n)}{}^k J^1{}_1 + J^{kl}J_{n)l}\right), \\
 0 &= \frac{1}{7}e^{2\phi} \mathcal{R}[\bar{\mathbf{g}}_{(7)}] + \frac{1}{6}(\nabla V)^2 + \tilde{\nabla}^m Z_m - 6Z_m Z^m - 2J^{mn}J_{mn} + \frac{4}{3}J_{mn}J^{nm}, \\
 0 &= \tilde{\nabla}^m F_{m n k l} - 6Z^m F_{m n k l} + 6\left(2J^{pm}C_{m[nk]l]p} - J^{pm}J_{p[n}C_{kl]m}\right), \\
 0 &= \mathcal{R}_{\mu\nu}[\bar{\mathbf{g}}_{(7)}] - \frac{1}{7}\bar{\mathbf{g}}_{\mu\nu}\mathcal{R}[\bar{\mathbf{g}}_{(7)}],
 \end{aligned} \tag{31}$$

where $S^{mn} = J^{(mn)}$, $F_{m n k l} = 4\partial_{[m}C_{nkl]}$ and

$$\tilde{\nabla}_m = \nabla_m - \partial_m \varphi. \tag{32}$$

Example of a solution: deformed $\text{AdS}_4 \times S^7$

Generate example solutions by nonunimodular genYB deformations.

deformation along $\mathbf{D} \wedge \mathbf{M} \wedge \mathbf{M}$:

$$\Omega = \frac{4}{R^3} \rho_a \epsilon^{abc} \mathbf{D} \wedge \mathbf{M}_{bd} \wedge \mathbf{M}_c{}^d$$

of AdS_4 gives deformed background

$$ds^2 = \frac{R^2}{4z^2} K^{\frac{2}{3}} \left\{ dx_a dx^a + \frac{\rho_a x^a}{z^2} x^b dx_b dz + \left(1 - \frac{x_a x^a \rho_b x^b}{z^3} \right) dz^2 \right\}$$

$$+ R^2 K^{-\frac{1}{3}} d\Omega_{(7)}^2,$$

$$F = -\frac{3R^3}{8z^4} K^2 \left(1 + \frac{1}{12} \frac{x_a x^a \rho_b \rho_c x^b x^c}{z^4} \right) dx^0 \wedge dx^1 \wedge dx^2 \wedge dz,$$

$$K^{-1} = 1 + \frac{x_a x^a}{z^3} \rho_b x^b \left(1 - \frac{\rho_c x^c}{4z} \right)$$

$$\text{genCYBE} = \rho^a \rho_a = 0.$$

Conclusions

- Common lore tells: there is no 11D generalized supergravity:
 - 1 no symmetry to break;
 - 2 no derivative of a scalar field to be replaced by J^{mn}/I^m ;
- Exceptional field theory approach provides a generalization of 11d supergravity
 - 1 new tensor $J^{m,n}$, with $J^{(m,n)}$ — a Killing tensor
 - 2 a split $11 = D + d$ is essential
 - 3 many constraints on $J^{m,n}$
- The theory is not void: example solutions have been provided
- The theory is 11-dimensional

Further research

- To call it **the** 11d generalized supergravity need to check κ -symmetry of the membrane
 - 1 $GL(11)$ symmetry is broken to $GL(7) \times GL(4)$;
 - 2 the split could provide the desired field to organize $J^{m,n}$
- Is yes: enlarge the set of consistent vacua for the membrane;
- In any case:
 - 1 higher dimensional origin of 10d generalized supergravity;
 - 2 a setup for nonunimodular deformations and for dual field theories.

Thank you for your attention!



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