

Nonperturbative black hole entropy and Kloosterman sums

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ABSTRACT: Non-perturbative quantum corrections to supersymmetric black hole entropy often involve nontrivial number-theoretic phases called Kloosterman sums. We show how these sums can be obtained naturally from the functional integral of supergravity in asymptotically AdS_2 space for a class of black holes. They are essentially topological in origin and correspond to charge-dependent phases arising from the various gauge and gravitational Chern-Simons terms and boundary Wilson lines evaluated on Dehn-filled solid 2-torus. These corrections are essential to obtain an integer from supergravity in agreement with the quantum degeneracies, and reveal an intriguing connection between topology, number theory, and quantum gravity. We give an assessment of the current understanding of quantum entropy of black holes.

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1 Introduction

Quantum entropy of a black hole is the full quantum generalization of the celebrated Bekenstein-Hawking entropy including both perturbative and nonperturbative corrections. For supersymmetric black holes, it is defined by a formal functional integral of massless supergravity fields in the near horizon AdS_2 space in the framework of AdS_2/CFT_1 correspondence [1, 2]. The measure of the functional integral is determined by the effective Wilsonian action including all higher derivative terms obtained by integrating out the massive string fields.

There has been considerable progress in evaluating this functional integral for a class of supersymmetric black holes using localization techniques [3–5]. In particular, in the simple

example of one-eighth BPS black holes in $\mathcal{N} = 8$ supersymmetric theory in four dimensions, it seems possible to exactly sum up all perturbative corrections to the Bekenstein-Hawking area formula [4]. It is also clear qualitatively that the nonperturbative corrections expected from the microscopic degeneracy can be reproduced from contributions from subleading saddle points obtained by smooth \mathbb{Z}_c orbifolds of AdS_2 labeled by a positive integer c [6, 7].

Our goal here is to compute explicitly the nonperturbative corrections which involve subtle number theoretic phases called the Kloosterman sums. It has been a long standing puzzle how these phases could possibly arise from a supergravity functional integral. These corrections, even though subleading, are conceptually very important because the exponential of the quantum entropy is expected to yield precisely an integer equal to the quantum degeneracy of the black hole. The nonperturbative corrections including the precise Kloosterman sums are essential to obtain this integrality. This is a nontrivial and stringent constraint. Indeed, it is something of a surprise that a functional integral in the bulk which is intrinsically a complex analytic continuous object could yield a specific integer which is a number theoretic discrete object.

We emphasize that it is meaningful to discuss nonperturbative corrections arising from subleading saddle points only because the full perturbative answer around the leading saddle point can be evaluated *exactly* using localization. In a typical physics context, when a functional integral is evaluated in the saddle point approximation, the perturbative expansion around the saddle point involves all loops. Usually there is no practical way to evaluate the higher loops. Even if one could, it is only an asymptotic expansion and not a convergent one. So, it is not particularly meaningful to include the contribution from subleading saddle points which are exponentially smaller compared to the perturbative contributions around the leading saddle point. In the present context, by contrast, the evaluation of the functional integral around the localizing saddle point is one-loop exact and can be evaluated explicitly.

Somewhat surprisingly, the supergravity functional integral seems capable of reproducing the intricate structure of the Kloosterman sums. It turns out to be essentially topological in origin. The supergravity action includes Chern-Simons terms (including the higher derivative gravitational Chern-Simons terms) and the quantum entropy functional integral includes boundary Wilson lines. These terms evaluated on the subleading localizing instantons lead to charge-dependent phases which combine nontrivially to yield precisely the Kloosterman sums.

Quantum Entropy connects to the broader problem of Quantum Holography, that is, of understanding finite N quantum effects in the bulk quantum gravity in AdS/CFT holography. Developing on our results can provide the first example of quantum holography where both the bulk and boundary partition functions are computable including all quantum corrections.

The plan of the paper is as follows. In section 2 we review the definition of the classical and generalized Kloosterman sums and the associated Rademacher expansions. In section 3 we discuss the $SL(2, \mathbb{Z})$ family of localizing orbifold solutions that contribute to the nonperturbative corrections to the quantum entropy. Sections 4 and 5 contain the main results of this paper where we describe how various phases and the multiplier system

in the Kloosterman sums are reproduced from the orbifolded localization instantons. In section 6 we give an assessment of the hurdles that have been overcome in this program and the problems that remain to be solved.

2 Kloosterman sums and the Rademacher expansion

We review the definitions of Kloosterman sums and their relation to the Rademacher Expansion.

2.1 The classical Kloosterman sum

The classical Kloosterman sum for integers n, m, c is defined by

$$Kl(n, m, c) := \sum_{\substack{d \in \mathbb{Z}/c\mathbb{Z} \\ da \equiv 1 \pmod{c}}} e^{2\pi i(n\frac{d}{c} + m\frac{a}{c})}. \tag{2.1}$$

It arises naturally in analytic number theory in the study of Fourier coefficients of modular forms of negative weight. A modular form of particular interest to us (see section 2.3) is

$$F(\tau) = \frac{1}{q} \prod_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{(1 - q^n)^{24}} \quad (q := e^{2\pi i\tau}), \tag{2.2}$$

which has weight -12 :

$$F\left(\frac{a\tau + b}{c\tau + d}\right) = (c\tau + d)^{-12} F(\tau) \tag{2.3}$$

with Fourier expansion

$$F(\tau) = \sum_{N=-1}^{\infty} c(N)q^N = q^{-1} + 24 + \dots \tag{2.4}$$

The modular properties of $F(\tau)$ and the fact that it has negative weight imply that $c(N)$ admits the Hardy-Ramanujan-Rademacher expansion for $N \geq 0$:

$$c(N) = \sum_{c=1}^{\infty} \left(\frac{2\pi}{c}\right)^{14} Kl(N, -1, c) I_{13}\left(\frac{4\pi\sqrt{N}}{c}\right), \tag{2.5}$$

where

$$I_{\rho}(z) := \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{\epsilon - i\infty}^{\epsilon + i\infty} \frac{dt}{t^{\rho+1}} \exp\left[t + \frac{z^2}{4t}\right] \tag{2.6}$$

is the modified Bessel function of index ρ . The Kloosterman sum (2.1) can be regarded as a discrete analog of this integral representation of the Bessel function¹ where d is the analog of the integration variable t , and $a = d^*$ is the analog² of t^{-1} .

For any integer p coprime to c , the Kloosterman sum satisfies

$$Kl(np, m, c) = Kl(n, mp, c) \tag{2.7}$$

which can be proven easily by changing variables $pd = \tilde{d}$ and $d^* = p\tilde{d}^*$. This property will be important later in section 4.3 to prove the duality invariance of the bulk answers.

¹We thank E. Witten for this observation.

²The inverse of an integer x in the finite field $\mathbb{Z}/c\mathbb{Z}$ is usually denoted by x^* , thus $a = d^*$ as $ad \equiv 1 \pmod{c}$.

2.2 The generalized Kloosterman sum

There is a natural generalization of the Rademacher expansion for Fourier coefficients of weak Jacobi forms, which suggests the following definition for the generalized Kloosterman sum. For a review of weak Jacobi forms see, for example, [8] or [9].

Consider the standard weight-half index- k theta functions defined by³

$$\vartheta_{k,\mu}(\tau, z) = \sum_{\substack{l \in \mathbb{Z} \\ l \equiv \mu \pmod{2k}}} q^{l^2/4k} y^l, \quad q := e^{2\pi i \tau}, \quad y := e^{2\pi i z} \quad (2.8)$$

for a positive integer k . Under modular transformation they transform among each other as

$$\vartheta_{k,\nu} \left(\frac{a\tau + b}{c\tau + d}, \frac{z}{c\tau + d} \right) = \sqrt{(c\tau + d)} e^{2\pi i k \frac{cz^2}{c\tau + d}} M^{-1}(\gamma)_{\nu\mu} \vartheta_{k,\mu}(\tau, z), \quad (2.9)$$

where

$$\gamma = \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix} \in \text{SL}(2, \mathbb{Z}), \quad (2.10)$$

and the square root is defined by choosing the principal branch of the logarithm $\log z = \log |z| + \arg z$, $-\pi < \arg z \leq \pi$. The matrix $M(\gamma)$ is called the multiplier system. To obtain an explicit analytic expression for the representation $M(\gamma)$ is a subtle problem in number theory. In section 5.1, we review a representation obtained in [10] that is particularly well-suited for our physical computations in section 5.2 because it affords a natural path integral interpretation [11].

For a given k , the generalized Kloosterman sum [12–14] is then defined by

$$Kl(n, m, c; \nu, \mu) := \sum_{\substack{-c < d \leq 0 \\ (c,d)=1}} e^{2\pi i \left(\frac{\Delta}{4k}\right) \frac{d}{c}} M^{-1}(\gamma)_{\nu\mu} e^{2\pi i \left(\frac{\tilde{\Delta}}{4k}\right) \frac{a}{c}}, \quad (2.11)$$

where $\Delta := 4kn - \nu^2$ and $\tilde{\Delta} := 4km - \mu^2$. The summand depends only on the equivalence class $[\gamma] \in \Gamma_\infty \backslash \text{SL}(2, \mathbb{Z}) / \Gamma_\infty$ where Γ_∞ is the subgroup of translations generated by T . This can be checked using the definition (2.9) of $M^{-1}(\gamma)_{\nu\mu}$. Practically, this means that by the left and the right coset action we can choose a representative of the class $[\gamma]$ such that $-c < a, d \leq 0$.

The generalized Kloosterman sum appears naturally in the Rademacher expansion of Fourier coefficients of weak Jacobi forms. Consider a weak Jacobi form $\phi(\tau, z)$ of nonpositive weight w and index k . Elliptic properties of the Jacobi form imply a theta expansion:

$$\phi(\tau, z) = \sum_{-k+1 \leq \nu \leq k} h_\nu(\tau) \vartheta_{k,\nu}(\tau, z) \quad (2.12)$$

where $h_\nu(\tau)$ is periodic in ν with period $2k$. Modular properties of the Jacobi form imply that the components of the vector transform under a modular transformation as

$$h_\nu \left(\frac{a\tau + b}{c\tau + d} \right) = (c\tau + d)^{w-1/2} h_\mu(\tau) M(\gamma)_{\mu\nu}, \quad (2.13)$$

³In [8, 9], the weight is denoted by k and the index is denoted by m . We follow the physics conventions here to denote the index by k because it will later be related to a Chern-Simons level usually denoted by k .

and admits a Fourier expansion

$$h_\nu(\tau) = \sum_{\Delta} C_\nu(\Delta) q^{\Delta/4k}, \tag{2.14}$$

where the sum is over the discriminants $\Delta = 4kn - \nu^2$ for nonnegative integers n . The terms in this expansion for which Δ is negative are called the polar terms. The Rademacher expansion for the coefficients $C_\nu(\Delta)$ is given [13, 14] by

$$C_\nu(\Delta) = i^{-w+\frac{1}{2}} \sum_{c=1}^{\infty} \left(\frac{c}{2\pi}\right)^{w-\frac{5}{2}} \sum_{\substack{\tilde{\Delta} \\ \tilde{\Delta} < 0}} C_\mu(\tilde{\Delta}) Kl(n, m, c; \nu, \mu) \left| \frac{\tilde{\Delta}}{4k} \right|^{\frac{3}{2}-w} I_{\frac{3}{2}-w} \left[\frac{\pi}{c} \sqrt{|\tilde{\Delta}|\Delta} \right] \tag{2.15}$$

which is determined essentially by the polar terms.

A weak Jacobi form of particular interest to us (see section 2.3) is

$$F(\tau, z) = \frac{\vartheta_1(\tau, z)^2}{\eta(\tau)^6}, \tag{2.16}$$

where ϑ_1 is the odd Jacobi theta function and η is the Dedekind function. It has index $k = 1$ and weight $w = -2$ with the theta expansion

$$F(\tau, z) = h_0(\tau) \vartheta_{1,0}(\tau, z) + h_1(\tau) \vartheta_{1,1}(\tau, z). \tag{2.17}$$

which gives a 2-component vector-valued modular form $\{h_\mu\}$ with weight $w - 1/2 = -5/2$ and $\mu = 0, 1$. Note that μ is determined completely by Δ as $\mu = \Delta \bmod 2$, and there is only a single polar term ($\mu = 1, \Delta = -1$). As a result, the Rademacher expansion simplifies to:

$$C(\Delta) = 2\pi \left(\frac{\pi}{2}\right)^{7/2} i^{5/2} \sum_{c=1}^{\infty} c^{-9/2} Kl_c(\Delta) I_{7/2} \left(\frac{\pi\sqrt{\Delta}}{c} \right), \tag{2.18}$$

where we have defined the Kloosterman sum $Kl_c(D)$ by

$$Kl_c(\Delta) := \sum_{\substack{-c \leq d < 0; \\ (d,c)=1}} e^{2\pi i \frac{d}{c}(\Delta/4)} M^{-1}(\gamma_{c,d})_{\nu 1} e^{2\pi i \frac{a}{c}(-1/4)} \tag{2.19}$$

with $\nu = \Delta \bmod 2$ and $ad = 1 \bmod c$.

2.3 Kloosterman sums and quantum degeneracies of black holes

Consider Type-IIA compactified on $X \times T^2$ where X is either T^4 or $K3$. We use $\mathcal{N} = 2$ truncation of these theories to label the charges [3, 15]. Consider a state with charge $(q_0, q_1, q_a | p^0, p^1, p^a)$. Here q_0 is the number of D0-branes, q_1 is the number of D2-branes wrapping T^2 , and q_a is the number of D2-branes wrapping the two cycles Σ^a in X . Similarly, p^0 is the number of D6-branes wrapping $X \times T^2$, p^1 is the number of D4-branes wrapping X , and p^a is the number of D4-branes wrapping 4-cycles $\tilde{\Sigma}_a \times T^2$ where $\tilde{\Sigma}^a$ are the dual 2-cycles in X with $\tilde{\Sigma}_a \cap \Sigma^b = \delta_a^b$. We see that $a = 2, \dots, n_\nu$ where $n_\nu - 1$ is the number of

2-cycles on X ; thus $n_v = 7$ for T^4 and $n_v = 23$ for $K3$. The electric and magnetic charge vectors Q and P are given by

$$Q = (q_0, -p^1; q_a), \quad P = (q_1, p^0; p^a), \quad a, b = 2, \dots, n_v. \quad (2.20)$$

Let C_{ab} be the intersection matrix for the 2-cycles of X . Then the T-duality invariants for these charge vectors (in the heterotic-like frame by analogy with the $\mathcal{N} = 4$ theory) are defined by

$$Q^2 = -2q_0p^1 + C_{ab}q^a q^b, \quad P^2 = C_{ab}p^a p^b, \quad Q.P = -q^1p^1 + C_{ab}q^a p^b. \quad (2.21)$$

1. *One-half BPS states*: when $X = K3$ we obtain a theory with $\mathcal{N} = 4$ supersymmetry in four dimensions. We consider half-BPS states in this theory. The simplest realization of such a state has only two nonzero charges q_0, p^1 . The degeneracies $d(N)$ depend only on the invariant⁴

$$N = Q^2/2 = -q_0p^1 \quad (2.22)$$

and are given [16, 17] in terms of the Fourier coefficients $c(N)$ of $F(\tau)$ in (2.2):

$$d(N) = c(N). \quad (2.23)$$

2. *One-eighth BPS states*: when $X = T^4$ we obtain a theory with $\mathcal{N} = 8$ supersymmetry in four dimensions. We consider one-eighth BPS states in this theory. The simplest realization of such a state has only five nonzero charges q_0, q_1, p^1, p^2, p^3 . The degeneracies $d(\Delta)$ depend only on the quartic U-duality invariant of charges

$$\Delta = Q^2P^2 - (Q.P)^2 \quad (2.24)$$

and are given [18–20] in terms of the Fourier coefficients $C(D)$ of $F(\tau, z)$ in (2.16):

$$d(\Delta) = (-1)^{\Delta+1}C(\Delta). \quad (2.25)$$

The near horizon geometry of the black holes corresponding to these BPS states has an AdS_2 factor and the quantum entropy of these black holes is defined via a functional integral of supergravity in the framework of AdS_2/CFT_1 holography. In the next section we turn to the evaluation of this functional integral. The Rademacher expansions (2.5) and (2.19) of the Fourier coefficients are particularly suited to compare the microscopic degeneracies with the quantum entropy obtained from this supergravity functional integral in AdS_2 . The terms with $c > 1$ are the nonperturbative corrections which in particular involve the Kloosterman sums and our main goal is to see how the path integral can capture this information.

The structure of the Kloosterman sums (2.5) and (2.19) is substantially different in the two cases. Remarkably, the Chern-Simons terms in the $\mathcal{N} = 8$ and $\mathcal{N} = 4$ theories are sufficiently different to correctly reproduce these two very different Kloosterman sums. The duality invariance of the degeneracy is not immediately obvious from the functional integral because individual terms depend on various charges and not only on the duality invariants. Fortunately, properties of Kloosterman sums make it possible to assemble the final answer into a duality invariant form as we discuss briefly in section 5.3.

⁴In our conventions q_0 is negative and p^1 is positive.

3 Localization and nonperturbative contributions

The supersymmetry of the formal functional integral makes it possible to apply localization techniques [3, 5] to evaluate it. For this purpose we use the $\mathcal{N} = 2$ truncation of the massless sector and consider only F-type chiral terms of the action for the vector multiplets coupled to the gravity multiplet. It is convenient to use the off-shell formalism for $\mathcal{N} = 2$ supergravity developed in [21–23] in which the vielbein and its superpartners reside in the Weyl multiplet. In addition, we consider $n_v + 1$ vector multiplets with the field content

$$\mathbf{X}^I = (X^I, \Omega_i^I, A_\mu^I, Y_{ij}^I), \quad I = 0, \dots, n_v. \quad (3.1)$$

For each I , the multiplet contains eight bosonic and eight fermionic degrees of freedom: X^I is a complex scalar, the gaugini Ω_i^I are an SU(2) doublet of chiral fermions, A_μ^I is a vector field, and Y_{ij}^I are an SU(2) triplet of auxiliary scalars.

The $\mathcal{N} = 2$ truncation of the $\mathcal{N} = 8$ theory has $n_v = 7$.⁵ The chiral F-type action for these fields is described by the prepotential

$$F(X) = -\frac{1}{2} \frac{X^1}{X^0} \sum_{a,b=2}^7 C_{ab} X^a X^b. \quad (3.2)$$

This prepotential describes the effective action obtained from the dimensional reduction of the two-derivative classical action. Because of $\mathcal{N} = 8$ supersymmetry, there are no quantum corrections of these F-type terms.

The $\mathcal{N} = 2$ truncation of the $\mathcal{N} = 4$ theory has $n_v = 23$. The generalized prepotential [24, 25] in this case takes the form

$$F(X, \hat{A}) = -\frac{1}{2} \frac{X^1}{X^0} \sum_{a,b=2}^{23} C_{ab} X^a X^b + \frac{\hat{A}}{64} \frac{X^1}{X^0}. \quad (3.3)$$

The first term is the classical prepotential as above but now there is a one-loop correction captured by the second term. There are additional contributions at one loop level from world-sheet instantons but these can be ignored as they vanish in the background of small black holes because of additional fermionic zero modes.

Near the horizon, the metric is $AdS_2 \times S^2$ and the values of the scalar fields are given by

$$X_*^I = \frac{1}{2} (e_*^I + ip^I), \quad \hat{A}_* = 64, \quad (3.4)$$

where e_*^I are the attractor value of the electric fields determined in terms of the charges (q, p) . The AdS_2 functional integral is defined by summing over all field configurations which asymptote to the these attractor values with the fall-off conditions [1, 2, 26]:

$$ds^2 = v_* \left[(r^2 + \mathcal{O}(1)) d\theta^2 + \frac{dr^2}{r^2 + \mathcal{O}(1)} \right], \quad (3.5)$$

$$X^I = X_*^I + \mathcal{O}(1/r), \quad A^I = -i e_*^I (r - \mathcal{O}(1)) d\theta. \quad (3.6)$$

⁵We use the truncation described in [4]. We first reduce $N = 8$ to $N = 4$ by dropping 4 gravitini of $N = 4$. This amounts to keeping only the NS-NS charges of the theory that belong to the 12 of the T-duality group SO(6, 6). We then reduce further to $N = 2$ by dropping two gravitini of $N = 2$ which leaves behind 8 vector fields or $n_v = 7$.

To make the classical variational problem well-defined, it is necessary to add a boundary term to the action so the equations of motion for the gauge field are satisfied everywhere. With this boundary term, the quantum bulk partition can be naturally interpreted as an expectation value of a Wilson line inserted at the boundary

$$W(q, p) = \left\langle \exp \left[\frac{i}{2} q_I \oint_{\theta} A^I \right] \right\rangle_{\text{AdS}_2}^{\text{finite}} . \tag{3.7}$$

The superscript refers to a finite piece obtained by a holographic renormalization procedure to remove a divergence coming from the infinite volume of the AdS_2 [2].

3.1 Localization in supergravity

It was shown in [3] from the analysis of the vector multiplets that the functional integral (3.7) localizes on a solution parametrized by $(n_v + 1)$ real parameters $\{C^I\}$, $I = 0, \dots, n_v$, and is given by the field configurations

$$X^I = X_*^I + \frac{C^I}{r}, \quad \bar{X}^I = \bar{X}_*^I + \frac{C^I}{r}, \quad Y_1^{1I} = -Y_2^{2I} = \frac{2C^I}{r^2}, \tag{3.8}$$

with other fields fixed to their attractor values. Note that the auxiliary fields Y_{ij}^I have a nontrivial profile indicating that the localizing saddle point is far away from the physical minimum. It was shown later in [27] that this is the most general solution even after including the Weyl multiplet.⁶ The real parameters $\{C^I\}$ are the collective coordinates of the localizing instantons. The functional integral of supergravity thus reduces to a finite dimensional ordinary bosonic integral over $\{C^I\}$ with integrand the exponential of a *renormalized action*, thus leading to an enormous simplification [3]. Using new variables

$$\phi^I := e_*^I + 2C^I, \tag{3.9}$$

with e_*^I defined by (3.4), we can express the renormalized action as

$$\mathcal{S}_{\text{ren}}(\phi, q, p) = -\pi q_I \phi^I + \mathcal{F}(\phi, p), \tag{3.10}$$

with

$$\mathcal{F}(\phi, p) = -2\pi i \left[F \left(\frac{\phi^I + ip^I}{2} \right) - \bar{F} \left(\frac{\phi^I - ip^I}{2} \right) \right], \tag{3.11}$$

which has the same form conjectured in [28]. Note that, in this expression, the prepotential is evaluated precisely for values of the scalar fields at the *origin* of AdS_2 for the localizing solution and not at the boundary of AdS_2 . At the boundary, the fields remain pinned to their attractor values and in particular the electric field remains fixed as required by the microcanonical boundary conditions of the functional integral. The collective coordinates ϕ^I in (3.9) fluctuate in the functional integral because C^I , the parameters of the off-shell solutions, take values over the real line.

⁶This result was derived assuming that the auxiliary SU(2) gauge fields in the Weyl multiplet vanish. The analysis suggested that these fields can be eliminated upon including hypermultiplets in the off-shell theory.

For the one-eighth BPS black holes in the $\mathcal{N} = 8$ theory, the horizon area is large. Moreover, the classical prepotential (3.2) is quantum-exact. The effective action involves only two-derivatives and the measure on the localizing submanifold is determined by this action.⁷ Evaluating the integral over the parameters ϕ^I with $n_v = 7$, we obtain the Bessel function $I_{7/2}(\pi\sqrt{\Delta})$ which is precisely the $c = 1$ term of the corresponding microscopic degeneracy (2.18) [4].

3.2 An $SL(2, \mathbb{Z})$ family of localizing solutions

The four-dimensional $AdS_2 \times S^2$ geometry in the Type-IIA frame corresponds to a five-dimensional $AdS_2 \times S^1 \times S^2$ geometry in the M-theory frame. It can be shown [29] using localization that the entropy functional in five dimensions reduces exactly to four dimensions⁸ to give the quantum entropy function (3.10). We reduce the five-dimensional theory on the S^2 to obtain⁹ a three-dimensional theory. This three-dimensional point of view will be particularly useful especially when we discuss the contributions from the Chern-Simons terms.

We now describe a family of supersymmetric orbifolds which all satisfy the AdS_2 boundary conditions and admit localizing solutions. Contributions from these additional localizing saddle points precisely give rise to the nonperturbative corrections to the quantum entropy.

Let J be a generator of rotations of the round sphere S^2 and L be the generator of rotations of Euclidean AdS_2 which is a disk with Poincaré metric. Consider a Z_c action generated by $\exp \frac{2\pi i}{c}(L - J)$. This preserves supersymmetry. One can accompany this twist by a shift along the coordinate of the S^1 by $2\pi d/c$ for d relatively prime to c to obtain a freely acting orbifold.¹⁰ This gives a family of supersymmetry preserving smooth orbifolds labeled by two integers (d, c) . The geometry of the $AdS_2 \times S^1$ part of the orbifold is crucially important for our purposes which we now discuss. The action on the S^2 contributes to a phase which we discuss later in section 4.

Before taking any orbifold, the metric for $AdS_2 \times S^1$ is

$$ds^2 = (\tilde{r}^2 - 1) d\tilde{\theta}^2 + \frac{d\tilde{r}^2}{\tilde{r}^2 - 1} + R^2 \left(d\tilde{y} - \frac{i}{R}(\tilde{r} - 1)d\tilde{\theta} \right)^2 \tag{3.12}$$

with standard identifications

$$(\tilde{\theta}, \tilde{y}) \sim (\tilde{\theta} + 2\pi, \tilde{y}) \sim (\tilde{\theta}, \tilde{y} + 2\pi) \tag{3.13}$$

where R is the attractor value of the M-theory circle near the black hole horizon. We see that the M-circle is fibered over AdS_2 because the Kaluza-Klein gauge field couples to the M-momentum which in the Type-IIA frame is the D0-brane charge q_0 .

⁷There are subtleties in gauge fixing to Poincaré gravity which can affect the measure. See section 6.

⁸The results of [29] are in the context of $AdS_2 \times S^3$ but extend easily to $AdS_2 \times S^1 \times S^2$.

⁹The reduction on the S^2 requires care because of Dirac string singularities [30].

¹⁰It may appear that one can have more general shifts along the T^6 . However, we are considering an orbifold not in flat space but in the presence of the black string from the 5-dimensional point of view. If the magnetic charges of the black hole are relatively prime then the identifications along the internal torus will violate the flux quantization and hence are not allowed [31].

The orbifolds must preserve the AdS_2 boundary conditions (3.5) of the functional integral. Such orbifolds are labeled by two integers (c, d) . For every positive integer c , the generator for the orbifold symmetry is a supersymmetry preserving \mathbb{Z}_c twist on $AdS_2 \times S^2$ together with a shift of d units along the M-circle S^1 . Hence d is defined only mod c . If c and d are relatively prime then the orbifold symmetry is freely acting without fixed points and one obtains a smooth manifold $\mathcal{M}(c, d)$. In the coordinates used in (3.12), the metric for the orbifold $\mathcal{M}(c, d)$ has the same form as for the unorbifolded manifold $\mathcal{M}(1, 0)$ but the identifications are different:

$$(\tilde{\theta}, \tilde{y}) \sim \left(\tilde{\theta} + \frac{2\pi}{c}, \tilde{y} + \frac{2\pi d}{c} \right) \sim (\tilde{\theta}, \tilde{y} + 2\pi). \quad (3.14)$$

The family of distinct extremal solutions given by (3.12) with periodicities (3.14) all have the same asymptotics as in (3.5). To see this explicitly, it is convenient to use new coordinates

$$(\tilde{r}, \tilde{\theta}, \tilde{y}) = \left(cr, \frac{\theta}{c}, y + \frac{d}{c}\theta \right) \quad (3.15)$$

so that the identifications of the new coordinates θ and y

$$(\theta, y) \sim (\theta + 2\pi, y) \sim (\theta, y + 2\pi) \quad (3.16)$$

are the same as (3.13) for the unorbifolded theory. The metric now takes the form

$$ds^2 = \left(r^2 - \frac{1}{c^2} \right) d\theta^2 + \frac{dr^2}{r^2 - \frac{1}{c^2}} + R^2 \left(dy - \frac{i}{R} \left(r - \frac{1}{c} \right) d\theta + \frac{d}{c} d\theta \right)^2. \quad (3.17)$$

Thus, the KK gauge field has the form

$$A = -\frac{i}{R} \left(r - \frac{1}{c} \right) d\theta + \frac{d}{c} d\theta = A_{(0)} + \frac{d}{c} d\theta, \quad (3.18)$$

where $A_{(0)}$ is the KK gauge field when there is no shift along the M-circle. It is clear that the large r behavior of the metric and the gauge fields is the same for all $\mathcal{M}(c, d)$. Hence all these orbifold geometries will contribute to the functional integral defined with the boundary conditions (3.5). The integers (c, d) are naturally identified [6, 7] with the integers appearing in the microscopic degeneracy (2.1) and (2.11).

It is convenient to use a particular representation of these orbifolds [7] obtained as a limit of orbifolds of global AdS_3 . There is a well-known $SL(2, \mathbb{Z})$ family of configurations labelled by (c, d) , that all have the same AdS_3 asymptotics [32]. These configurations are crucial in the ‘‘Farey Tail’’ interpretation of AdS_3/CFT_2 [13, 14, 33]. We now briefly review this construction.

A cover of global AdS_3 has the metric

$$ds^2 = -\cosh^2 \eta dt^2 + \sinh^2 \eta d\chi^2 + d\eta^2 \quad (3.19)$$

and $-\infty < t < \infty$, $0 \leq \eta < \infty$ and $0 \leq \chi \leq 2\pi$. The Euclidean section is obtained by the usual Wick rotation $t \rightarrow it_E$ with $-\infty < t_E < \infty$. Thermal AdS_3 is obtained by further identifications on the cylinder

$$\chi + it_E \sim \chi + it_E + 2\pi \sim \chi + it_E + 2\pi\tau \tag{3.20}$$

with τ a complex number in the upper half plane. Topologically this is a solid torus $D^2 \times S^1$ where D^2 is an open disc parametrized by (r, χ) . The boundary is a torus with complex structure parameter τ and holomorphic 1-form $\omega := d\chi + idt_E$. The cycle C_2 parametrized by χ is contractible and the noncontractible cycle C_1 is such¹¹ that $\oint_{C_2} \omega = 2\pi$ and $\oint_{C_1} \omega = 2\pi\tau$.

The $SL(2, \mathbb{Z})$ family of solutions is obtained from this basic solution by choosing a different homology class for the boundary cycle that becomes contractible in the full geometry [32, 34]. To do so, consider a ‘Dehn twist’ on the boundary torus which relabels the cycles

$$\begin{pmatrix} C_n \\ C_c \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} C_1 \\ C_2 \end{pmatrix} \quad \text{for} \quad \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix} \in SL(2, \mathbb{Z}), \tag{3.21}$$

and takes the complex structure parameter to

$$\tau' = \frac{\oint_{C_n} \omega}{\oint_{C_c} \omega} = \frac{a\tau + b}{c\tau + d}. \tag{3.22}$$

One would now like to fill in a smooth manifold inside this ‘Dehn-twisted’ boundary torus. Topologically, this operation is called ‘Dehn-filling’ and in fact it is possible to write a smooth hyperbolic metric on this manifold [32]. In this Dehn-filled geometry now the cycle C_c becomes contractible instead of the cycle C_2 of the original thermal AdS_3 . In particular, for $(c, d) = (1, 0)$ the contractible cycle is now C_1 which is along the time direction and hence it represents a Euclidean continuation of nonextremal BTZ black hole [35]. In the coordinates (3.16) the cycle C_1 is parametrized by $-\theta$ and C_2 is parametrized by y .

The geometries $\mathcal{M}(c, d)$ of interest are orbifolds of supersymmetric *extremal* BTZ black hole. The extremal limit of the geometries above is obtained by taking $\bar{\tau} \rightarrow \infty$, keeping τ fixed [36]. This corresponds heuristically to taking the right-moving temperature in the boundary thermal CFT to zero so that the right-moving super symmetries are preserved. This is possible in the Lorentzian section in which τ and $\bar{\tau}$ are no longer complex conjugates. In contrast to the AdS_3 Farey tail, the charge of the BTZ black hole and hence R is fixed while the parameter τ of the boundary AdS_3 varies. To obtain the $\mathcal{M}(c, d)$ geometry (3.17) with given parameters R, c, d , one must choose [7] the complex structure τ of the thermal AdS_3 such that

$$iR = \frac{1}{c\tau + d}. \tag{3.23}$$

One can now examine the localization solutions in the orbifold geometry. Because the space is still locally $AdS_2 \times S^1 \times S^2$, the localization equations are not changed and therefore

¹¹We choose orientation such that $C_2 \cap C_1 = 1$.

we obtain the same solutions (3.8) for the orbifolds. However, the renormalized bulk action gets reduced by a factor of $1/c$. As a result the Bessel functions in the Rademacher expansions (2.18) and (2.5) with an argument reduced by c are correctly reproduced for all c . The question that we now would like to address is the origin of the Kloosterman sums.

3.3 Boundary terms for the Chern-Simons action

The analysis in section 3.1 is local and is insensitive to the global properties of the orbifolds. However, the Wilson lines and the Chern-Simons terms for various gauge fields in the action are sensitive to global properties of the space $\mathcal{M}(c, d)$ that depend on c and d . These lead to additional contribution to the renormalized action and additional localizing saddle points specified by the holonomies of flat connections of these gauge fields. These lead to additional phases.

The gauge group in the bulk supergravity has many factors. There are several $U(1)$ factors corresponding to the n_v vector multiplets. In addition there is an $SU(2)_L \times SU(2)_R$ factor corresponding to the R-symmetry (after an appropriate dimensional uplift). To discuss the contributions from the higher derivative terms, it is also useful to consider the Chern-Simons formulation of gravity in AdS_3 in section 4.3 with an $SL(2)_L \times SL(2)_R$ gauge group. Remarkably various phases in (2.1) and (2.11) arise from intricate combinations of the boundary terms and Chern-Simons terms of these various gauge groups in the bulk supergravity. The contribution to the phases from the $U(1)$ factors, the $SU(2)_R$ factor, and the $SL(2)_L \times SL(2)_R$ factor is discussed in section 4. The contribution from the $SU(2)_L$ is discussed in section 5. In this subsection we discuss the general structure of the Chern-Simons action and the associated boundary terms for these gauge groups of interest.

Consider the Chern-Simons action for a gauge field A on the manifold $\mathcal{M}(c, d)$

$$I(A) = \int_{\mathcal{M}} \text{Tr} \left(A \wedge dA + \frac{2}{3} A^3 \right). \tag{3.24}$$

For abelian gauge fields the trace is trivial and the cubic term is absent. For nonabelian $SL(2)$ and $SU(2)$ gauge fields the trace is in the fundamental representation.

Asymptotically all $\mathcal{M}(c, d)$ geometries are $AdS_2 \times S^1$ and have a torus boundary. One must introduce appropriate boundary terms to obtain a well defined variational problem. We describe these boundary conditions in the reference geometry $\mathcal{M}(1, 0)$. In the basis of cycles (C_1, C_2) in (3.21), the components of the gauge field at the boundary are A_1 or A_2 . Because the Chern-Simons action is first order, we can fix only one component at the boundary. To determine the correct boundary conditions we relate the 3d theory to the 2d theory in AdS_2 where the boundary conditions are specified by (3.5). The geometry $\mathcal{M}(1, 0)$ is the unorbifolded extremal BTZ black hole obtained from thermal AdS_3 by a Dehn-twist by the element $S = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$ of $SL(2, \mathbb{Z})$. Hence, the contractible cycle is now C_1 and corresponds to the boundary of AdS_2 with coordinate θ in (3.17) whereas the noncontractible cycle is $-C_2$.

Demanding invariance under all eight supercharges of the five dimensional supersymmetry implies that the three dimensional gauge fields, that is, the components “orthogonal”

to the sphere, are flat [30].¹² The component of the gauge field along C_2 gives the scalar field in AdS_2 . Hence, the three-dimensional gauge field takes the form

$$A_{\mathcal{M}(1,0)}^I = -\phi_*^I R dy, \quad I = 1, \dots, n_v. \quad (3.25)$$

For Kaluza-Klein reduction we reexpress this field in terms of gauge invariant one-forms:

$$A_{\mathcal{M}(1,0)}^I = -\phi_*^I R \left(dy - i \frac{1}{R} (r-1) d\theta \right) - i \phi_*^I (r-1) d\theta \quad (3.26)$$

and read off the two dimensional field $A_{(2)}^I = -i \phi_*^I (r-1) d\theta$. This is consistent with the normalization used in [3] with $A_{(2)}^I = -i e_*^I (r-1) d\theta$ because $e_*^I = \phi_*^I$.

In AdS_2 , the constant mode of the scalar field (coming from the reduction of the 3d gauge field on the non-contractible KK circle) is nonnormalizable and hence is held fixed at the boundary to its attractor value. On the other hand, the constant mode of the 2d gauge field which is the chemical potential is normalizable and hence is allowed to fluctuate [2]. For the 3d gauge field this implies that in the quantum problem its component along the cycle C_2 is held fixed to set the boundary condition of the functional integral and the component along the cycle C_1 is allowed to fluctuate:

$$\oint_{C_2} A^I = -2\pi \phi_*^I R, \quad \oint_{C_1} A^I = \text{not fixed} \quad (3.27)$$

using the fact that y is the coordinate of C_2 . In the classical problem, the component $\oint_{C_1} A^I$ gets determined by physical requirements on the gauge fields in the interior which are different for different gauge fields. From this 2d analysis we conclude following [37] that the correct boundary terms for the 3d theory are given by

$$I_b(A) = \int_{T^2} \text{Tr} A_1 A_2 d^2 x \quad (3.28)$$

Note that A_1 instead of A_2 were fixed, then the boundary term would be $-\int_{T^2} \text{Tr} A_1 A_2 d^2 x$.

The same reasoning applies to nonabelian gauge fields. For example, for the $SU(2)_R$ gauge field, the Wilson line along the boundary cycle C_2 of AdS_2 is the angular momentum J_R . The AdS_2 boundary conditions imply that $J_R = 0$ so that index equals degeneracy [38]

$$\text{Tr}(-1)^{J_R} = \text{Tr}(1). \quad (3.29)$$

In other words, we fix the Wilson line

$$\oint_{C_2} A_R = 0. \quad (3.30)$$

The phases that assemble into the Kloosterman sum arise essentially from the boundary Wilson lines and the Chern-Simons action evaluated for the *flat* connections of various

¹²After localization the configuration needs to be invariant under one supercharge. This allows for a non-flat profile for the gauge field, as we discuss later.

gauge fields. We now explain the general philosophy behind these computations. For this purpose, it is useful to parametrize the Wilson lines along the basis cycles C_1 and C_2 by

$$\oint_{C_1} A = 2\pi i \gamma \frac{\sigma^3}{2} \quad \oint_{C_2} A = 2\pi i \delta \frac{\sigma^3}{2}. \quad (3.31)$$

For a given manifold $\mathcal{M}(c, d)$ we will need to know also the Wilson lines around the contractible cycle C_c and noncontractible cycle C_n . We parametrize these by two real numbers α and β as

$$\oint_{C_c} A = 2\pi i \alpha \frac{\sigma^3}{2} \quad \oint_{C_n} A = 2\pi i \beta \frac{\sigma^3}{2}. \quad (3.32)$$

It follows from (3.21) that

$$\alpha = c\gamma + d\delta, \quad \beta = a\gamma + b\delta. \quad (3.33)$$

The boundary action (3.28) can be readily evaluated given γ and δ . Evaluation of the bulk action (3.24) is more nontrivial but using a result (4.28) from the work of [39], it can be computed easily knowing α and β . Our problem thus reduces to computing γ and δ because α and β are determined using (3.33). In the physical problem at hand, δ is specified by the boundary condition (3.27) but γ is not specified directly. It has to be determined from physical considerations as we discuss in the next section.

4 Phases from Wilson lines and Chern-Simons terms

In this section we will evaluate the phases in the Kloosterman sums by two different methods. In section 4.1 and section 4.2 we use the metric formulation of supergravity which admits an *off-shell* completion to evaluate the phases. The computation is then justified by localization of the path integral on $\mathcal{M}(c, d)$. In section 4.3 we use the *on-shell* Chern-Simons formulation of gravity to give a simpler rederivation of the same result. The on-shell computation is justified heuristically by the fact that the phases are essentially topological in origin.

4.1 Phases from boundary Wilson lines and abelian Chern-Simons terms

To understand the possible phase contributions arising from the abelian sector, we need to first work out the different boundary terms in five dimensions. This construction is similar to the one presented in [29]. Supersymmetry requires that the abelian gauge field be flat at infinity [30]. As a result, variations of the Maxwell terms do not generate any boundary terms.¹³ On the other hand, the Chern-Simons terms require a careful treatment, as explained in section 3.3. These terms after a circle reduction to four dimensions lead to the Wilson lines on the AdS_2 boundary (3.7). Since the metric gives rise to a Kaluza-Klein gauge field in two dimensions with a non-zero electric field, normalizable fluctuations¹⁴ of this metric component lead to an additional boundary term.

¹³In the previous version of the paper these were treated incorrectly.

¹⁴By normalizable we mean the fluctuations which leave the electric field fixed as required in AdS_2 .

Consider the five dimensional abelian Chern-Simons action. To simplify the analysis, we reduce it on an ungauged S^2 and “diagonalize“ the Chern-Simons couplings using the intersection matrix C_{ab} introduced in section 2.3:

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\pi i}{3(4\pi)^3} \int_{S^2} c_{IJK} A^I \wedge F^J \wedge F^K &= \frac{2\pi i}{(4\pi)^2} C_{ab} A^1 \wedge F^a p^b + \frac{\pi i}{(4\pi)^2} p^1 C_{ab} A^a \wedge F^b \\ &= -\frac{\pi i}{p^1(4\pi)^2} P^2 A^1 \wedge F^1 + \frac{\pi i p^1}{(4\pi)^2} C_{ab} \left(F^a + \frac{p^a}{p^1} F^1 \right) \wedge \left(A^b + \frac{p^b}{p^1} A^1 \right) \end{aligned} \quad (4.1)$$

with $a, b = 2, \dots, n_v$. This rewriting simplifies the computation of on-shell values of the fields. The boundary terms for the resulting 3d Chern-Simons action are as in section 3.3:

$$-\frac{\pi i}{p^1(4\pi)^2} P^2 \int_{T^2} A_1^1 A_2^1 + \frac{\pi i p^1}{(4\pi)^2} C_{ab} \int_{T^2} \left(A_1^a + \frac{p^a}{p^1} A_1^1 \right) \left(A_2^b + \frac{p^b}{p^1} A_2^1 \right) \quad (4.2)$$

As explained before (3.27) the component A_2^I is fixed¹⁵ to its attractor value $A_2^I = 2\phi_*^I/\phi_*^0$.

Let us first consider how to obtain the two dimensional Wilson lines from the Chern-Simons terms in the unorbifolded theory. To perform localization as in [29] we need to rewrite the Chern-Simons action in terms of two dimensional quantities, that is, we write the three dimensional gauge field as

$$A^{3I} = \chi^I (dy + A_{KK}) + A^{2I} \quad (4.3)$$

where A^{2I} is the gauge field living on AdS_2 . In rewriting this way we generate non gauge-invariant terms in two dimensions. Integrating by parts solves the problem but gives additional boundary terms via total derivatives. For instance in the simple example of only one gauge field we obtain

$$\int_{\mathcal{M}(1,0)} A \wedge F = \int_{\mathcal{M}(1,0)} \chi^2 dy \wedge F_{KK} + 2\chi dy \wedge F_2 - d(\chi A_2 \wedge dy). \quad (4.4)$$

Integrating the total derivative gives an additional boundary contribution. To compute the boundary terms we take the off-shell solution allowed by localization. The two dimensional electric fields are fixed to their on-shell values but the scalars χ^I have a non-trivial profile [3, 29], that is,

$$\chi^I = 2 \frac{\phi_*^I + C^I/r}{\phi_*^0 + C^0/r}. \quad (4.5)$$

with C^I, C^0 constants. The total boundary term in two dimensions coming from the treatment of the Chern-Simons terms thus has two parts:

$$CS_{\text{bnd}} + \text{total deriv.} = \mathbf{Finite} \left[-\frac{\pi P^2}{8p^1} (\chi^1)^2 \phi_*^0 (r-1) + \frac{\pi p^1}{8} C_{ab} \tilde{\chi}^a \tilde{\chi}^b \phi_*^0 (r-1) \right] \quad (4.6)$$

$$+ \frac{\pi P^2}{2p^1} \chi^1 \phi_*^1 (r-1) - \frac{\pi}{2} p^1 C_{ab} \tilde{\chi}^a \tilde{\phi}_*^b (r-1) \quad (4.7)$$

¹⁵We use $R = -2/\phi_*^0$ which follows from the 4d-5d dictionary [29]. See section 4.3 for a simpler derivation.

where we denote the combination $\tilde{\chi}^a = \chi^a + p^a/p^1\chi^1$ and similarly for $\tilde{\phi}^a = \phi^a + p^a/p^1\phi^1$, and “finite” stands for the finite piece as $r \rightarrow \infty$. We have to be careful in taking the limit because χ has subleading terms in $1/r$. We find that the final result is independent of these subleading terms and we obtain

$$CS_{\text{bnd}} + \text{total deriv.} = -\frac{\pi}{2}q_1\phi_*^1 - \frac{\pi}{2}q_a\phi_*^a = \mathbf{Finite} \left[i\frac{q_J}{4} \oint A^{2J} \right] \quad (4.8)$$

where q^J , with $J = 1 \dots n_v$, are the two dimensional charges. It is interesting to observe that these boundary contributions do not depend on the value of the gauge field along the cycle C_1 . To appreciate this, note that for very large r we have

$$A^{3I} = \chi_*^I dy + \frac{i}{2}C^I d\theta - \frac{i}{2}\chi_*^I C^0 d\theta + \mathcal{O}(1/r) \quad (4.9)$$

where C^I are the constant modes allowed by localization. We will argue that this is also true in the orbifolded theory so that only the KK Wilson line boundary term gives a non-trivial phase.

We now consider the boundary term for the Kaluza-Klein gauge field. After reducing the five dimensional Ricci scalar down to AdS_2 we obtain a Maxwell term

$$\int_{AdS_2 \times S^1 \times S^2} d^5x \sqrt{g} \mathcal{R} \rightarrow \int_{AdS_2} d^2x \sqrt{g} \left[R\mathcal{R} - \frac{1}{4}R^3 F_{KK}^2 + R\mathcal{R}_{S^2} \right] \quad (4.10)$$

where \mathcal{R} is the Ricci scalar (not to be confused with the fiber radius R), and F_{KK} is the Kaluza-Klein gauge field strength. The Maxwell term gives rise to a boundary Wilson line as explained in [1, 29]¹⁶

$$i\frac{p^1 P^2}{8} R^2 \oint A_{KK} = i\frac{\Delta}{2p^1 P^2} \oint A_{KK}. \quad (4.11)$$

We have used the on-shell value of R (4.51). Putting this boundary term together with (4.8) we obtain, at the on-shell level, the two dimensional Wilson lines on AdS_2 as indicated in (3.7):

$$\mathbf{Finite} \left[i\frac{\Delta}{2p^1 P^2} \oint A_{KK} + i\frac{q_I}{4} \oint A^{2I} \right] = \mathbf{Finite} \left[i\frac{q_I}{2} \oint A^I \right] \quad (4.12)$$

where the index on the r.h.s. of the expression now runs in the interval $I = 0 \dots n_v$ and we have used the on-shell values of the fields

$$\phi_*^a = -q^a \frac{\phi_*^0}{p^1} + \frac{Q \cdot P}{P^2} \frac{\phi_*^0}{p^1} p^a \quad (4.13)$$

$$\phi_*^1 = -\frac{Q \cdot P}{P^2} \phi_*^0 \quad (4.14)$$

obtained via a saddle point of the entropy function (3.10). The bulk gauge-invariant action living in AdS_2 is the same as considered originally in [3] and therefore the action on

¹⁶There is an overall charge dependent factor multiplying the five dimensional Ricci scalar. This factor is proportional to $C_{IJK}\sigma^I\sigma^J\sigma^K$, where σ^I is the five dimensional vector multiplet scalar which has on-shell value $\sigma^I = p^I$, the magnetic charge [30]. The coefficient of the Ricci scalar is proportional to $p^1 P^2$ with the correct normalization fixed by the value of the central charge computed in three dimensions.

the localization locus including the boundary terms gives precisely the Bessel function as derived in [4].

Let us now consider the orbifolded theory. From a ten dimensional point of view, the geometry is locally $AdS_2 \times S^2 \times T^6$. Instead of taking the ten dimensional geometric point of view, we need to consider the reduced five dimensional theory for which we have an off-shell representation. Orbifold action of shifts can be equivalently interpreted as turning on a constant mode for the abelian fields living in five dimensions. Localization fixes the two dimensional gauge fields to their on-shell values [3, 29] and since these equations only allow for smooth field configurations living on AdS_2 the 3-dimensional gauge field is completely determined to be¹⁷

$$A^{3I} = 2 \frac{\phi^I}{\phi^0} \left(dy - \frac{i}{R}(r-1)d\tilde{\theta} \right) - i\phi_*^I(r-1)d\tilde{\theta}, \tag{4.15}$$

where both ϕ^I and ϕ^0 have the localization profile and $\tilde{\theta}$ has periodicity $2\pi/c$. Note that A^{3I} asymptotes for large r to (4.9) and therefore we see that, from a three dimensional point of view, we are in fact integrating over the constant mode. The computation is similar to the one in the unorbifolded theory except that now the volume gets divided by a factor of c .

On the other hand, the boundary Wilson line (4.11) for the KK gauge field gives a non-trivial phase via the shift (3.14)

$$i \frac{\Delta}{2p^1 P^2} \oint A_{KK} \rightarrow i\pi \frac{\Delta}{p^1 P^2} \frac{d}{c}. \tag{4.16}$$

Note that in this case there is no bulk singularity. The orbifold is freely acting and as a consequence the curvature is smooth everywhere. The KK reduction is always of the form (4.10) with the field strength F_{KK} smooth on AdS_2 with the volume reduced by a factor of c . We will present a different derivation of this result in section 4.3 where we show that this phase comes precisely from the boundary terms in the $SL(2, \mathbb{R})$ Chern-Simons formulation.

For the black hole under consideration we have $P^2 = 2$ and $p^1 = 1$ so that the $SU(2)_R$ level becomes $k_R = 1$. At the on-shell level the three dimensional gauge field is given simply by $A^{3I} = 2\phi_*^I/\phi_*^0 dy$ and the holonomy along the contractible cycle $cC_1 + dC_2$ becomes trivial as required

$$\exp \left[i \oint_{cC_1 + dC_2} A^a \right] = \exp \left[4\pi i d \left(-q^a + \frac{Q \cdot P}{2} p^a \right) \right] = 1 \tag{4.17}$$

$$\exp \left[i \oint_{cC_1 + dC_2} A^1 \right] = \exp \left[-2\pi i d Q \cdot P \right] = 1 \tag{4.18}$$

where we have used the on-shell values of the fields.

In this case, under a electric-magnetic duality transformation

$$\begin{pmatrix} Q \\ P \end{pmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} 1 & b \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} Q \\ P \end{pmatrix} \tag{4.19}$$

¹⁷In the previous version of the paper the two dimensional gauge fields had delta function singularities at the origin which however is forbidden by localization.

we can bring the T-duality invariant $Q.P$ to $Q'.P = \nu$ keeping P^2 unchanged with $Q'^2 = 2n$ such that $\nu = 0$ when Δ is even and $\nu = 1$ when Δ is odd. Thus, the phase (4.16) becomes

$$2\pi i \frac{\Delta}{4} \frac{d}{c} \tag{4.20}$$

with $\Delta = 4n - \nu^2$ for $n \in \mathbb{Z}$ and $\nu = 0, 1$, in perfect agreement with the first phase of (2.11).

4.2 Phases from $SU(2)_R$ Chern-Simons terms

The Killing spinor ξ on $AdS_2 \times S^2$ associated with the supercharge used for localization has the schematic form

$$\xi \sim e^{\frac{i}{2}(\tilde{\theta} + \phi)} \eta \tag{4.21}$$

where ϕ is the azimuthal coordinate on the S^2 and η is a Dirac spinor independent of both $\tilde{\theta}, \phi$. Under the orbifold identification (3.14) this spinor picks a non-trivial phase and would not be invariant [5]. To preserve the supercharge we turn on an $SU(2)$ flat connection on S^2 so that its holonomy along the cycle C_1 parametrized by $\tilde{\theta}$ gives a compensating phase. This together with (3.30) implies

$$\oint_{C_1} A_R = -\frac{2\pi i}{c} \frac{\sigma^3}{2}, \quad \oint_{C_2} A_R = 0. \tag{4.22}$$

where $A_R = \frac{i}{2} A^a \sigma^a$ is in the fundamental of $SU(2)$.

The boundary contribution to the action (3.28) vanishes because Wilson line along C_2 is fixed to zero. The bulk Chern-Simons action for the $SU(2)$ gauge field is then of the form

$$S[A_R] = -\frac{ik_R}{4\pi} I[A_R] \tag{4.23}$$

with $k_R = p^1 P^2 / 2$ which can be obtained from the Kaluza-Klein reduction of five-dimensional action of M-theory [40]. We thus need to compute the Chern-Simons integral (3.24) for flat connections subject to the boundary conditions (4.22).

This requires some mathematical machinery, which fortunately has been developed earlier in [39] for computing Chern-Simons invariants of Lens spaces. We review this computation, especially theorems 4.2 and 5.1 in [39]. Our manifold of interest $\mathcal{M}(c, d)$ is topologically a solid torus $D^2 \times S^1$. We parametrize the solid torus using the coordinates (r, x_c, x_n) and orientation $(\partial_r, \partial_c, \partial_n)$. Here $x_c, x_n \in [0, 2\pi]$ are the meridian and longitude directions, that is, they parametrize the contractible and non-contractible cycles respectively, while $r \in [0, 1]$ parametrizes a radial direction. A flat connection is always pure gauge

$$A = -dg g^{-1}, \quad g \in SU(2). \tag{4.24}$$

In [39] it is shown that we can always bring the gauge transformation g to a form

$$g = f(x_c, r) e^{-\frac{i}{2} \beta \sigma^3 x_n} \tag{4.25}$$

where $f(x_c, r) : D^2 \rightarrow SU(2)$ is a smooth function so that $f(x_c, r) = e^{-\frac{i}{2} \alpha \sigma^3 x_c}$ for $r \in [1 - \epsilon, 1]$ and is constant in the neighborhood of the origin. The parametrization (4.25) is

said to be in normal form since the holonomies become diagonal in the basis chosen. One computes

$$A = -\partial_c f f^{-1} dx_c - \partial_r f f^{-1} dr - \frac{i}{2} \beta f \sigma^3 f^{-1} dx_n. \quad (4.26)$$

Using the flatness condition $dA + A \wedge A = 0$ one then obtains

$$I[A_R] = -\frac{i}{2} \beta \int \text{Tr} \left([\partial_c f f^{-1}, \partial_r f f^{-1}] (f \sigma^3 f^{-1}) \right) dx_c \wedge dr \wedge dx_n \quad (4.27)$$

Let $\omega = \text{Tr} (df \wedge \sigma^3 f^{-1})$. Integrating over x_n yields precisely $d\omega$ and by Stokes' theorem we get the desired result

$$I[A_R] = \pi i \beta \int_{C_c} \omega = -\pi i \beta \int_0^{2\pi} \text{Tr} \left(\frac{i}{2} \alpha \sigma^3 \sigma^3 \right) dx = 2\pi^2 \alpha \beta. \quad (4.28)$$

which enables us to evaluate the bulk actions given α and β .

Given (3.29) and (4.22), it is easy to compute α and β for the $SU(2)_R$ gauge field:

$$\oint_{C_c} A_R = c \oint_{C_1} A_R + d \oint_{C_2} A_R = -2\pi i \frac{\sigma^3}{2} \quad (4.29)$$

and

$$\oint_{C_n} A_R = a \oint_{C_1} A_R + b \oint_{C_2} A_R = -2\pi i \frac{a \sigma^3}{c} \frac{1}{2}. \quad (4.30)$$

We thus conclude $\alpha = -1$ and $\beta = -a/c$. Note that α must be an integer because the holonomy $\exp(\oint_{C_c} A)$ around the contractible cycle must be trivial for A in the vector representation. On the other hand, β can be real. The total contribution from the $SU(2)_R$ action is

$$S = -\frac{ik_R}{4\pi} I[A_R] = -\frac{2\pi ik_R a}{4} \frac{1}{c}. \quad (4.31)$$

4.3 Phases from gravitational Chern-Simons terms

We have seen that the $SU(2)_R$ Chern-Simons terms contribute a phase

$$\exp \left(-2\pi i \frac{k_R a}{4} \frac{1}{c} \right) \quad (4.32)$$

with k_R the $SU(2)_R$ Chern-Simons level. On the other hand, the microscopic counting formulae for half-BPS and quarter-BPS states in $\mathcal{N} = 4$ string theory [41], imply that the Kloosterman sums should carry a phase proportional to the *left-moving* central charge c_L in the sector where supersymmetry is broken:

$$\exp \left(-2\pi i \frac{c_L a}{24} \frac{1}{c} \right). \quad (4.33)$$

In the boundary theory, we have an affine $SU(2)_R$ current algebra with level k_R which is related by supersymmetry to the right-moving central charge as $c_R = 6k_R$. However, in general, $c_R \neq c_L$ which leads to a puzzle of explaining this discrepancy between the boundary and the bulk.

For the $\mathcal{N} = 8$ theory, $c_L = c_R$ and one does not encounter this puzzle. However, $\mathcal{N} = 4$ actions contain gravitational Chern-Simons terms in three dimensions [42] that are responsible for the difference between c_L and c_R . We now show that these terms contribute with additional phases that precisely resolve this discrepancy between the bulk and the boundary. For computing the phases using (4.28) we need the holonomies along the contractible and non-contractible cycles. Their computation is considerably simpler [43] if we use the Chern-Simons formulation of the three dimensional gravity which we now describe.¹⁸

It is well known that the Einstein-Hilbert action¹⁹ with negative cosmological constant plus gauge and gravitational Chern-Simons terms can be written only in terms of the $\text{SL}(2, \mathbb{R})_L \times \text{SL}(2, \mathbb{R})_R$ connections $\tilde{A}_{L,R}$ and $\text{SU}(2)_R$ connections A_R as

$$S = -\frac{i\tilde{k}_L}{4\pi} I[\tilde{A}_L] + \frac{i\tilde{k}_R}{4\pi} I[\tilde{A}_R] - \frac{ik_R}{4\pi} I[A_R] \quad (4.34)$$

with $\tilde{k}_L = c_L/6$ and $\tilde{k}_R = c_R/6$. As discussed in section 3.3 we need to add appropriate boundary terms. The analysis is similar to the $\text{SU}(2)$ case except that for $\text{SL}(2, \mathbb{R})$ the Wilson lines can be complex instead of imaginary. At the on-shell level both $A_{L,R}$ are flat and therefore we need to compute the Chern-Simons integral of an $\text{SL}(2, \mathbb{R})$ flat connection.

We view AdS_3 as the group manifold $\text{SO}(2, 2)/\text{SO}(2, 1)$ so that thermal AdS_3 corresponds to the identification

$$\mathbf{X} \sim g_L \mathbf{X} g_R \quad (4.35)$$

where \mathbf{X} is an element of $\text{SO}(2, 2)$ and $g_{L,R} = \text{diag}(e^{\pi\tau_{L,R}}, e^{-\pi\tau_{L,R}})$ are elements of $\text{SL}(2, \mathbb{R})_{L,R}$. For the $\text{SL}(2, \mathbb{Z})$ family of solutions we need to complexify $\tau_{L,R}$. The left quotient is generated by the elements

$$g_L = \left\{ \left(\begin{array}{cc} e^{i\pi \frac{a\tau+b}{c\tau+d}} & 0 \\ 0 & e^{-i\pi \frac{a\tau+b}{c\tau+d}} \end{array} \right), \left(\begin{array}{cc} e^{i\pi} & 0 \\ 0 & e^{-i\pi} \end{array} \right) \right\} \quad (4.36)$$

Similarly we could have considered Euclidean AdS_3 under the identification $\mathbf{X} \sim \rho(\tau)\mathbf{X}\rho^\dagger(\tau)$ with $\rho(\tau)$ a diagonal subgroup of $\text{SL}(2, \mathbb{C})$ and take τ and $\bar{\tau}$ independent. The first element in (4.36) corresponds precisely to the holonomy of \tilde{A}_L around the non-contractible cycle whereas the second element corresponds to the holonomy of \tilde{A}_L around the contractible cycle [44]. In the Euclidean case the right quotient is generated by elements that are just hermitian conjugates $g_R = g_L^\dagger$ and correspond similarly to the holonomies of \tilde{A}_R around the non-contractible and contractible cycles. We can read off easily the corresponding Wilson lines in the extremal limit $\bar{\tau} \rightarrow \infty$

$$\oint_{C_n} \tilde{A}_L = 2\pi i \frac{a\tau + b}{c\tau + d} \frac{\sigma^3}{2}, \quad \oint_{C_n} \tilde{A}_R = -2\pi i \frac{a}{c} \frac{\sigma^3}{2}; \quad (4.37)$$

$$\oint_{C_c} \tilde{A}_L = 2\pi i \frac{\sigma^3}{2}, \quad \oint_{C_c} \tilde{A}_R = -2\pi i \frac{\sigma^3}{2}. \quad (4.38)$$

¹⁸The usual metric formulation requires a suitable choice of coordinates which complicates the computation.

¹⁹We weight the Euclidean functional integral by e^S .

Given these Wilson lines it is easy to determine the Wilson lines along the cycles (C_1, C_2) :

$$\oint_{C_2} \tilde{A}_L = 2\pi i \frac{1}{c\tau + d} \frac{\sigma^3}{2}, \quad \oint_{C_2} \tilde{A}_R = 0; \quad (4.39)$$

$$\oint_{C_1} \tilde{A}_L = 2\pi i \frac{\tau}{c\tau + d} \frac{\sigma^3}{2}, \quad \oint_{C_1} \tilde{A}_R = -2\pi i \frac{1}{c} \frac{\sigma^3}{2}. \quad (4.40)$$

As explained before, the boundary conditions fix the Wilson lines along the C_2 cycle. Note that first condition in (4.39) is nothing but the requirement that the radius R in the metric (3.12) is held fixed. As discussed in section 4.1 the Wilson lines along the C_1 cycle in the classical problem are determined by regularity. Given the Wilson lines we can use the result (4.28) to compute

$$\frac{1}{4\pi} I[\tilde{A}_L] = \frac{\pi}{2} \frac{a\tau + b}{c\tau + d}, \quad \frac{1}{4\pi} I[\tilde{A}_R] = \frac{\pi}{2} \frac{a}{c}; \quad (4.41)$$

together with the boundary terms

$$\frac{1}{4\pi} \int \text{Tr} \tilde{A}_{L1} \tilde{A}_{L2} = -\frac{\pi}{2} \frac{\tau}{(c\tau + d)^2}, \quad \frac{1}{4\pi} \int \text{Tr} \tilde{A}_{R1} \tilde{A}_{R2} = 0. \quad (4.42)$$

Putting it together, we compute the total action (4.34) including the boundary terms. The $\text{SL}(2)_R$ and $\text{SU}(2)_R$ terms cancel because by supersymmetry $\tilde{k}_R = k_R$ and we obtain

$$S = -2\pi i \frac{c_L}{24} \frac{a\tau + b}{c\tau + d} + 2\pi i \frac{c_L}{24} \frac{\tau}{(c\tau + d)^2}. \quad (4.43)$$

where we have used $c_L = 6\tilde{k}_L$.

Using the equalities

$$\frac{a\tau + b}{c\tau + d} = \frac{a}{c} - \frac{1}{c(c\tau + d)} \quad \frac{\tau}{(c\tau + d)^2} = \frac{1}{c(c\tau + d)} - \frac{d}{c} \frac{1}{(c\tau + d)^2} \quad (4.44)$$

we write (4.43) as

$$S = -2\pi i \frac{c_L}{24} \frac{a}{c} + 2\pi i \frac{c_L}{12} \frac{1}{c(c\tau + d)} - 2\pi i \frac{c_L}{24} \frac{d}{c} \frac{1}{(c\tau + d)^2}. \quad (4.45)$$

Using (3.23) we can reexpress it in terms of the radius R

$$S = - \left(2\pi \frac{c_L}{12} \frac{R}{c} \right) + \left(-2\pi i \frac{c_L}{24} \frac{a}{c} + 2\pi i \frac{c_L}{24} \frac{d}{c} R^2 \right). \quad (4.46)$$

The term in the first bracket is real and can be identified with classical entropy of the black hole reduced by a factor of c if

$$R = -2/\phi_*^0. \quad (4.47)$$

This gives the correct entropy S_{BH} for these black holes from the real term in (4.46). We can therefore rewrite (4.45) as

$$S = \frac{1}{c} S_{BH} + 2\pi i(\text{phase}). \quad (4.48)$$

where S_{BH} is the on-shell classical black hole entropy. Our analysis in this section is for the *on-shell* theory. We believe that this result can be extended to the off-shell theory in which case we would replace S_{BH} by the off-shell renormalized action (3.10) whose extremum value gives S_{BH} . Since the phase of our interest is topological coming from terms supported only at the boundary we expect that it will be the same also in the off-shell extension of our results.

We see now that the coefficient multiplying a/c in (4.46) is in fact proportional to $c_L/24$ which resolves the puzzle posed in the beginning. For half-BPS states in $\mathcal{N} = 4$ theory we have²⁰

$$c_L = 24p^1, \quad R^2 = -\frac{q^0}{p^1}. \tag{4.49}$$

Hence, the total phase from this sector by exponentiating the imaginary part in (4.46) is

$$e^{2\pi i(-q^0 \frac{d}{c} - p^1 \frac{a}{c})} \tag{4.50}$$

For the one-eighth BPS states in the $\mathcal{N} = 8$ theory, we have

$$c_L = 6k_L, \quad R^2 = \frac{\Delta}{k_L^2}, \tag{4.51}$$

where we have used $p^1 = 1$ so that²¹

$$k_L = P^2/2. \tag{4.52}$$

Hence, the total phase from this sector by exponentiating the imaginary part in (4.46) is

$$e^{2\pi i \frac{d}{c} \frac{\Delta}{4k_L}} e^{-2\pi i \frac{a}{c} \frac{k_L}{4}}. \tag{4.53}$$

Recalling that $k_L = k_R$ in the $\mathcal{N} = 8$ theory, we see that the phase (4.53) reproduces the product of the phases (4.31) and (4.16) derived previously.

5 The multiplier system and duality invariance

The phases that we have worked out thus far are common to all known models with at least eight supercharges. We now turn to the computation of the multiplier matrix $M(\gamma)_{\mu\nu}$ which is crucial for invariance of the Rademacher sum under the elements $\Gamma_\infty \in \text{SL}(2, \mathbb{Z})$. This ensures that we are not overcounting geometries.

To set up the computation we first describe an explicit representation the multiplier matrix in section 5.1 following the work of [10]. In section 5.2 we give a physical interpretation of this representation in terms of $\text{SU}(2)_L$ Chern-Simons path integral. Recall that the degeneracy of one-eighth BPS black holes in 4d is the same as the degeneracy of one-quarter BPS black holes in 5d. By the 4d-5d lift the charge q_1 in the presence of a KK-monopole with charge $p^1 = 1$ can be identified with the spin of this 5d black hole. This

²⁰In our conventions the radius R is negative.

²¹This ensures (4, 4) supersymmetry for the near horizon geometry and implies $k_L = k_R$.

black hole is an excited state of the D1D5P Strominger-Vafa black string in six dimensions with near horizon $AdS_3 \times S^3$. As a result, the near horizon theory has $(4, 4)$ supersymmetry and $SU(2)_R \times SU(2)_L$ R-symmetry to start with. This is a geometric symmetry of the S^3 which is broken to $SU(2)_R \times U(1)_L$ by the spin of the black hole.

While localization fixes the holonomy of the $SU(2)_R$ flat connection on both contractible and non-contractible cycles, for the $SU(2)_L$ sector there is no such restriction and we have to sum over the holonomies. The Chern-Simons action with boundary terms for these flat connections combines to reproduce the multiplier matrix $M(\gamma)$ up to a non-trivial phase which can be related to a choice of framing as we discuss in section 5.4.

5.1 An explicit expression for the multiplier system

The matrix $M(\gamma)$ realizes a representation of $SL(2, \mathbb{Z})$ in the space of vector-valued modular forms. It appears in the generalized Kloosterman sum via its inverse. It is easy to determine the matrix $M^{-1}(\gamma)$ for the S, T generators of $SL(2, \mathbb{Z})$ from the definition (2.9) and the transformation properties of the theta functions:

$$\tilde{T} \equiv M^{-1}(T) = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & i \end{pmatrix}, \quad \tilde{S} \equiv M^{-1}(S) = \frac{e^{-\frac{\pi i}{4}}}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & -1 \end{pmatrix} \tag{5.1}$$

To find M^{-1} for a general element γ , we can use its *continued fraction expansion* $[m_1, \dots, m_t]$

$$\gamma = T^{m_t} S \dots T^{m_1} S \tag{5.2}$$

and iteratively compute the matrix M^{-1} via the images (5.1)

$$M^{-1}(T^{m_t} S \dots T^{m_1} S)_{\mu_t \mu_1} = \left(\tilde{T}_{\mu_t \mu_t} \right)^{m_t} \tilde{S}_{\mu_t \mu_{t-1}} \left(\tilde{T}_{\mu_{t-1} \mu_{t-1}} \right)^{m_{t-1}} \tilde{S}_{\mu_{t-1} \mu_{t-2}} \dots \tilde{S}_{\mu_2 \mu_1} \tag{5.3}$$

Even though this is conceptually straightforward, it is nontrivial to obtain a useful explicit expression from this formula. Fortunately, this problem has already been addressed by Jeffrey [10] in the context of knot theory to construct the Chern-Simons partition function using the surgery formula of Witten [11]. In the following we use her results to construct an explicit representation for the multiplier matrix which is particularly amenable to a simple physical interpretation. This connection to knot invariants via Chern-Simons theory is not accidental as we explain in section 5.4.

Jeffrey uses the representations of $S, T \in SL(2, \mathbb{Z})$ given by

$$S_{jl} = \sqrt{\frac{2}{r}} \sin \left(\frac{jl\pi}{r} \right); \quad T_{jl} = \zeta^{-1} e^{2\pi i \frac{j^2}{4r}} \delta_{jl}, \quad \zeta = e^{\frac{\pi i}{4}} \tag{5.4}$$

with the basis j, l running from 1 to $r - 1$, and r is the “renormalized” Chern-Simons level, that is, $r = k + 2$ for $SU(2)$ gauge group. Since we have $k = 1$ then $r = 3$, and therefore the representation is two dimensional with $j, l = 1, 2$. Identifying the basis j, l with our basis ν, μ in (5.1) as $j = \nu + 1$ we observe that S_{jl} and T_{jl} in (5.4) are the same as $M^{-1}(S, T)$ in (5.1) up to an overall phase, that is,

$$\tilde{S} = e^{-\frac{\pi i}{4}} S_{jl}, \quad \tilde{T} = e^{\frac{\pi i}{12}} T_{jl}. \tag{5.5}$$

Our general representation for (5.3) has an additional phase relative to the result in [10]:

$$M^{-1}(\gamma)_{\nu\mu} = e^{\frac{\pi i}{12}(\sum_{l=1}^t m_l - 3t)} \tilde{U}_{\mu+1, \nu+1} \tag{5.6}$$

where \tilde{U} is given by proposition 2.7 in [10]

$$\tilde{U}(\gamma)_{jl} = i \frac{\text{sign}(c)}{\sqrt{2r|c|}} e^{-\frac{i\pi}{4}\Phi(\gamma)} \sum_{\epsilon=\pm} \sum_{n=0}^{c-1} \epsilon e^{\frac{i\pi}{2rc} [dj^2 - 2j(2rn+\epsilon l) + a(2rn+\epsilon l)^2]}, \tag{5.7}$$

with $\Phi(\gamma)$ the Rademacher phi function defined as

$$\Phi \begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{bmatrix} = \frac{a+d}{c} - 12\text{sign}(c)s(a, |c|), \tag{5.8}$$

and $s(a, c) = s(d, c)$ is the Dedekind sum:

$$s(a, c) = \frac{1}{4c} \sum_{j=1}^{c-1} \cot\left(\frac{\pi j}{c}\right) \cot\left(\frac{\pi ja}{c}\right), \quad c > 0. \tag{5.9}$$

As shown in [10] (Lemma 3.1), for an $SL(2, \mathbb{Z})$ matrix with $-c/a > 1$, which is in agreement with the choices for (c, d, a) in the Kloosterman sum, the continued fraction expansion has a particular form

$$\gamma = ST^{m_t-1}S \dots T^{m_1}S, \quad m_i \geq 2, \tag{5.10}$$

with the value of the Rademacher phi function given in this case by

$$\Phi(\gamma) = \sum_{l=1}^t m_l - 3(t-1). \tag{5.11}$$

Given these results, the relative phase in (5.6) is computed to give

$$e^{\frac{\pi i}{12}(\sum_{l=1}^t m_l - 3t)} = e^{\frac{i\pi}{12}(\Phi(\gamma) - 3)}. \tag{5.12}$$

This phase is reminiscent of the framing correction in knot theory. We discuss this connection in section 5.4. The final result for the multiplier matrix is then

$$M^{-1}(\gamma)_{\nu\mu} = C \sum_{\epsilon=\pm} \sum_{n=0}^{c-1} \epsilon e^{\frac{i\pi}{2rc} [d(\nu+1)^2 - 2(\nu+1)(2rn+\epsilon(\mu+1)) + a(2rn+\epsilon(\mu+1))^2]} \tag{5.13}$$

where the prefactor is

$$C := i \frac{\text{sign}(c) e^{-\frac{\pi i}{4}}}{\sqrt{2r|c|}} e^{-\frac{i\pi}{6}\Phi(\gamma)}. \tag{5.14}$$

It can be shown from this expression that the generalized Kloosterman sum depends only on the equivalence class $\Gamma_\infty \backslash \gamma / \Gamma_\infty$ where we need the matrix elements $M^{-1}(\gamma)_{\nu 1}$ for $\nu = 0, 1$.

5.2 A physical interpretation from $SU(2)_L$ Chern-Simons theory

To compute the boundary contribution (3.28) for the $SU(2)_L$ gauge field, we need the Wilson lines along the cycles C_1 and C_2 . These in turn determine the Wilson lines along the cycles C_n and C_c parametrized by α and β in (3.32) which can be used to compute the bulk action (3.24) using the theorem (4.28).

As explained in section 3.3, the Wilson line δ around the cycle C_2 is fixed by the boundary condition. Because $Q.P$ is the spin J_L of the black hole in 5d under $SU(2)_L$, this implies

$$\delta := \oint_{C_2} A = 2\pi i \frac{\sigma^3}{2} J_L / k_L = \pi i \sigma^3 \frac{Q.P}{k_L} \quad (5.15)$$

The Wilson line γ around the cycle C_1 is determined by demanding that the holonomy around the contractible cycle in the vector representation must be trivial. Since we are working in the fundamental representation and since $C_c = cC_1 + dC_2$ we require

$$\exp\left(c \oint_{C_1} A + d \oint_{C_2} A\right) = \pm \mathbb{1} \quad (5.16)$$

Therefore, using (5.15) and defining ν by

$$Q.P = \nu + 2lk_L, \quad l \in \mathbb{Z}, \quad (5.17)$$

we get

$$\gamma := \oint_{C_1} A = \frac{1}{c} \left(\lambda + 2n - d \frac{\nu}{k_L} \right), \quad n \in \mathbb{Z}/c\mathbb{Z}, \quad \lambda = 0, \pm 1. \quad (5.18)$$

To determine the conditions $n \in \mathbb{Z}/c\mathbb{Z}$ and $\lambda = 0, \pm 1$, we need to examine the symmetries of the exponential of the Chern-Simons action. As a matter of fact it would be enough to consider $\lambda = 0, 1$ so that (5.16) is satisfied. However, as we see next, the exponential of the Chern-Simons action is different for $\lambda = \pm 1$ and therefore we should consider this other possibility. The Wilson lines are computed to give

$$\alpha := \oint_{C_c} A = \pi i \sigma^3 \left(c\gamma + d \frac{Q.P}{k_L} \right) = \pi i \sigma^3 [\lambda + 2n + 2dl] \quad (5.19)$$

$$\beta := \oint_{C_n} A = \pi i \sigma^3 \left(a\gamma + b \frac{Q.P}{k_L} \right) = \pi i \sigma^3 \left[\frac{a}{c}(\lambda + 2n) - \frac{\nu}{ck_L} + 2lb \right] \quad (5.20)$$

Given γ and δ , the boundary action (3.28) becomes

$$\frac{ik}{4\pi} I_b(A_L) = \frac{i\pi}{2k_L} \frac{d}{c} \nu (\nu + 2lk_L) - \frac{i\pi}{2c} (2n + \lambda) (\nu + 2lk_L), \quad (5.21)$$

and given α and β , the bulk Chern-Simons action (3.24) becomes

$$\frac{ik}{4\pi} I[A_L] = k_L \frac{i\pi}{2} \left[\frac{a}{c} (2n + \lambda)^2 - \frac{\nu}{ck_L} (2n + \lambda) + \frac{2l}{c} (2n + \lambda) - \frac{d}{c} \frac{\nu}{k_L} 2l + \text{mod}(4) \right] \quad (5.22)$$

Putting both terms together we arrive at

$$S_{CS} = \frac{i\pi}{2k_L} \frac{d}{c} \nu^2 - i\pi \frac{\nu}{c} \left(2n + \epsilon \frac{\mu}{k_L} \right) + k_L \frac{i\pi}{2} \frac{a}{c} \left(2n + \epsilon \frac{\mu}{k_L} \right)^2 + \text{mod}(2\pi i) \quad (5.23)$$

where we define $\lambda = \epsilon\mu/k_L$ and $\epsilon = \pm 1$. When we exponentiate this expression and sum over sectors we get precisely the Kloosterman phase under the sums in (5.13) except that there the constants k and ν, μ are renormalized to $k + 2, \nu + 1, \mu + 1$ respectively.

It is well known that the Chern-Simons level k_L gets renormalized. In our computation ν, μ could possibly get renormalized if the boundary conditions on the holonomies get shifted appropriately. The prefactor C of the multiplier matrix (5.13) does not follow from our classical evaluation but it could possibly arise from one-loop corrections of the localization action. Indeed, in the context of localization of Chern-Simons theory on Lens spaces, such a phase proportional to the Rademacher phi function is known to arise precisely in this manner [45, 46]. There is a natural connection of our computation to knot theory on Lens space and Witten's surgery formula which we elaborate in section 5.4. An extension of the results (5.30) and (5.31) from knot theory could explain both the renormalization of k_L, ν, μ and the prefactor C .

There is one puzzle that we do not fully understand. The $U(1)$ part of the $SU(2)_L$ gauge field can be identified with the $U(1)$ abelian gauge fields that couples to the charge q_1 . This can be seen using for example by using 4d-5d lift in which electric charge q_1 in 4d in the presence of a KK monopole of charge $p^1 = 1$ gets identified with the spin J_L . For charge configurations with $q_1 \neq 0$ there seems to be a puzzle because this $U(1)$ gauge field is apparently counted twice in computing both the phase in section 4.1 as well as the multiplier system in this subsection. However, note that the action used in this subsection is obtained by truncating a 6d theory on an S^3 , whereas the action used in section 4.1 is obtained by first reducing on a circle and then truncating on an S^2 . It would be necessary to understand the precise map between these truncations to resolve this puzzle.

5.3 Duality invariance and Kloosterman sums

We now analyze the total phase after summing over sectors assembling all terms. Duality invariance of the resulting answer is not immediately obvious and requires nontrivial identities for the Kloosterman sum.

For the half-BPS black holes²² there is no multiplier system and duality invariance is relatively easy to prove. The total phase is

$$\sum_{\substack{d \in \mathbb{Z}/c\mathbb{Z} \\ da=1 \pmod{c}}} e^{2\pi i \left(-q^0 \frac{d}{c} - p^1 \frac{a}{c} \right)} \quad (5.24)$$

For $p^1 = 1$ this is in perfect agreement with (2.5) with $N = -q^0$.

²²These black holes are 'small' [47] in that their horizon area is of order one in string units. As a result, one does not really have a geometric picture. However, the localization solutions depend essentially on the symmetries of AdS_2 and the Kloosterman sum is topological which can partially justify our supergravity reasoning which in any case seems to lead to a striking agreement. Similar phases are expected to be relevant for large black holes.

For general p^1 , we get the classical Kloosterman sum $Kl(-q_0, -p^1, c)$ defined in (2.1). At first sight it does not seem duality-invariant. However, using the fact that q_0 and p^1 are relatively prime, and choosing $p = p^1, n = -q^0, m = -1$ in (2.7) we get

$$Kl(-q_0, -p^1, c) = Kl(-p^1 q_0, -1, c) \tag{5.25}$$

in perfect agreement with the duality invariant formula (2.5).

For the one-eighth BPS black holes we choose $k_L = 1$ and the total phase is

$$\sum_{\substack{-c \leq d < 0; \\ (d,c)=1}} e^{2\pi i \frac{d}{c} (\Delta/4)} M^{-1}(\gamma_{c,d})_{\nu 1} e^{2\pi i \frac{a}{c} (-1/4)} \tag{5.26}$$

Considerations of duality invariance thus suggest interesting identities for the Kloosterman sum. For example, for a general k_L , it should be possible to obtain the duality invariant answer as above. However, it would require a generalization of the identity (5.25) for the generalized Kloosterman sum which to our knowledge is not known in the mathematics literature. Another important classical identity is the Selberg identity

$$Kl(n, m, c) = \sum_{s|\gcd(n,m,c)} s Kl(n/s, m/s, c/s) . \tag{5.27}$$

A generalization of this identity could play a role in the context of black holes with non-primitive charge vectors [18, 48–51].

5.4 Relation to knot theory

Several ingredients that we have encountered in our computation of the Kloosterman sums are reminiscent of knot theory in Lens space $L(c, d)$. This is not a coincidence and follows from the fact that Chern-Simons theory on the Dehn-filled solid torus can be related to the surgery formula of Witten [11] for the unknot in the Lens space.

Let us recall a few facts about the surgery formula. Any three manifold M' without boundary can be obtained by Dehn surgery on a link \mathcal{L} on another manifold M . This procedure consists in removing a tubular neighborhood $\text{Tub}(\mathcal{L})$ in M and glueing it back, after an $\text{SL}(2, \mathbb{Z})$ diffeomorphism of the boundary of $\text{Tub}(\mathcal{L})$.

As an example, consider Lens space which can be constructed as follows. Consider $M = S^2 \times S^1$ which is the union of two solid tori $\mathbf{X}_1 = D^2 \times S^1$ and $\mathbf{X}_2 = D^2 \times S^1$ glued at the boundary by the identity element. This means that we identify the boundary cycle of the first disk with the boundary cycle of the second disk and the same for S^1 . On the other hand, if we glue the boundary of the first disk with the circle S^1 of the second solid torus and vice-versa, then we obtain the manifold $M' = S^3$. This corresponds to a Dehn twist by the element S of $\text{SL}(2, \mathbb{Z})$. The Lens space $L(c, d)$ is obtained as a union of the two tori after a general Dehn twist by an element γ . To make contact with the surgery described earlier, we see that $M = S^2 \times S^1$, $M' = L(c, d)$, $X_1 = \text{Tub}(\mathcal{L})$ for the unknot \mathcal{L} which is glued back to $X_2 = M \setminus X_1$ after an $\text{SL}(2, \mathbb{Z})$ twist. In this case, X_2 is also a solid torus and to be consistent with our notation in the rest of the paper, we perform the Dehn twist on the boundary of X_2 . To be more precise take C_1 to be cycle on ∂X_2 that becomes

non-contractible in X_2 and C_2 the cycle that becomes contractible. After the twist it is the cycle $cC_1 + dC_2$ that becomes contractible and $aC_1 + bC_2$ is the non-contractible cycle. Note that in this case the untwisted X_2 is nothing but the thermal AdS_3 and the twisted X_2 are the orbifolds $\mathcal{M}(c, d)$.

The expectation value of a Wilson line $W(\mathcal{R}_\alpha)$ in representation \mathcal{R}_α along the link \mathcal{L} in M' for Chern-Simons theory with group G and level k is defined as

$$Z(M', \mathcal{R}_\alpha) := \int_{M'} W(\mathcal{R}_\alpha) e^{\frac{ik}{4\pi} I(A)} \tag{5.28}$$

When $M' = S^3$ the quantity $Z(S^3, \mathcal{R}_\alpha)$ is proportional to the Jones polynomial [11]. Henceforth, we take $G = SU(2)$ and $M' = L(c, d)$ constructed by Dehn surgery as above. In this case the path integral (5.28) can be related to a path integral on $\mathcal{M}(c, d)$ [52] as follows. The integration on the Tub(unknot) produces a delta function in the space of boundary fields. After integrating over these boundary fields it imposes a nontrivial boundary condition for the remaining integral on $X_2 = \mathcal{M}(c, d)$:

$$\oint_{C_2} A = 2\pi i \frac{\sigma^3 j}{2r}, \quad j = 1 \dots r-1. \tag{5.29}$$

We conclude

$$Z(L(c, d), \mathcal{R}_j) = \int_{\mathcal{M}(c, d)} e^{\frac{ik}{4\pi} [I(A) + I_b(A)]}. \tag{5.30}$$

where the path integral on the right is subject to the boundary condition (5.29). We have $k = 1$ and $r = 3$, so j takes two values: $j = 1$ for the trivial representation and $j = 2$ for the fundamental.

Using surgery, Witten relates [11] the path integral on M' to the path integral on M :

$$Z(M', \mathcal{R}_j) = e^{i\phi_{fr}} \sum_{l=1}^{r-1} Z(M, \mathcal{R}_l) V_{lj}^{(c, d)} \tag{5.31}$$

where $V_{lj}^{(c, d)}$ is a representation of the $SL(2, \mathbb{Z})$ Dehn twist in the Chern-Simons Hilbert space. The phase $i\phi_{fr}$ is a framing correction²³ which is given by

$$\phi_{fr} = \frac{\pi}{12} \frac{r - c_V}{r} \dim G \left[\Phi[\gamma] - 3 \operatorname{sign} \left(\frac{d}{c} + \nu \right) \right] \tag{5.32}$$

where c_V is the dual Coxeter number, $\dim G$ is the dimension of the group, ν is the self-linking number of the knot \mathcal{K} , and $\Phi[\gamma]$ is the Rademacher phi function introduced in (5.8).

It is known that $Z(S^2 \times S^1, \mathcal{R}_l) = \delta_{l,1}$ and the construction of $L(c, d)$ by Dehn surgery described earlier corresponds to choosing \mathcal{L} to be the unknot. We can then conclude

$$Z(L(c, d), \mathcal{R}_j) = e^{i\phi_{fr}} V_{1j}^{(c, d)} \tag{5.33}$$

²³A framing of a knot is the analogue of point-splitting regularization in physics [11] necessary for computing the self-linking number. This regularization is not “topological” and the invariant depends on the choice of the framing. When the knot invariants are computed in the canonical framing there is a phase called framing correction relative to the invariants on manifolds obtained by successive Dehn-surgeries [11, 52].

By computing explicitly this matrix element in [10], Jeffrey was able to obtain exact result for the path integral (5.28) for Lens space. Moreover, (5.30) implies that the Chern-Simons integral on $\mathcal{M}(c, d)$ with the boundary conditions (5.29) must equal $e^{i\phi_{fr}} V_{1j}^{(c,d)}$.

This makes contact with the black hole problem if the matrix $V^{(c,d)}$ can be identified with $\tilde{U}^{(c,d)}$. We see that up to the sign($\frac{d}{c} + \nu$) in (5.32), our multiplier system is precisely the matrix in (5.31). It seems though that in the black hole context more general boundary conditions are relevant because we need the matrix elements $\tilde{U}_{21}^{(c,d)}$ and $\tilde{U}_{22}^{(c,d)}$. We have seen in section 4.3 that the phases in the Kloosterman sum can be computed from the *on-shell* SL(2) Chern-Simons theory whereas the multiplier matrix comes from the SU(2)_L Chern-Simons theory. It raises the intriguing possibility that the *entire* Kloosterman sum, which has deep connections in number theory, can perhaps be related to a topological computation in knot theory for SL(2) × SU(2) and appropriate Wilson lines, even in the general case (2.11).

6 An assessment

The program of computing the fully quantum corrected entropy of supersymmetric black holes has evolved considerably over the past few years. A number of difficult hurdles have been overcome and there has been some important progress that brings us very close to this goal. We now give an assessment of the status.

6.1 Solved problems

- *Choice of the ensemble*: even though the Bekenstein-Hawking entropy is independent of the choice of the ensemble, the finite size subleading corrections to the entropy depend sensitively on the choice of the ensemble. The AdS_2 boundary conditions imply that the *microcanonical* ensemble is a natural choice [1, 2]. As we have seen, the boundary conditions set by this ensemble play an important role in our computations of the Kloosterman sums.
- *Relation between index and degeneracy*: black hole entropy must correspond to the total degeneracy by Boltzmann relation. On the other hand, the microscopic degeneracies are usually computed using a spacetime index. It is not clear *a priori* why the two should agree. There has been considerable confusion on this issue. The AdS_2 boundary conditions explain that the index equals the degeneracy near the horizon of a single black hole [38]. In general there are additional contributions to the spacetime index from degrees of freedom outside a single horizon [53, 54] which can complicate the comparison [41, 55]. However, for the two examples considered in this paper such ‘hair’ degrees of freedom are absent which allows for a direct comparison.
- *Localization in supergravity*: the formal supergravity functional integral could be evaluated only because localization reduces it to a finite-dimensional integral. The localizing instantons have simple analytic expressions for supergravity coupled to vector multiplets [3]. They are *universal* because they depend only on the off-shell supersymmetry transformations that are independent of compactification and the

physical action. It has been shown subsequently that other modes of the supergravity multiplet do not play a role in localization [27] and hence these are the most general solutions. To our knowledge this is the first application of localization in a gravitational context. It may appear that the metric does not play any role in localization however that is because in the superconformal formalism, we have chosen a gauge that trades off the conformal factor of the metric for a compensating scalar field. Thus, the conformal mode of the *physical* metric does have a nontrivial profile for the localizing solution.

- *Contribution from D-type terms:* in the physical action we only considered chiral superspace integrals governed by a prepotential (F-type terms) and ignored full superspace integrals (D-type terms). It was shown in [56] using the enhanced supersymmetry of the near horizon geometry that the on-shell classical entropy of BPS black holes in $\mathcal{N} = 2$ theories does not receive any contributions from a large class of D-terms. However, in the context of localization, one must show that D-terms do not contribute to the *off-shell* renormalized action evaluated on the universal localizing solutions. This was shown in [57] for the class of D-terms considered in [56], thus providing a justification for our analysis that ignores the D-type terms.
- *Origin of nonperturbative corrections and phases:* the results of this paper make clear that the supergravity functional integral is fully capable of reproducing not only the perturbative corrections to the Bekenstein-Hawking entropy but also the nonperturbative corrections including all intricate details of the Kloosterman Sum. In the broader context of quantum holography, the finite charge corrections considered here correspond to finite N corrections that are perturbative (expansion in $1/N^2$) and nonperturbative (expansion in e^{-N^2}). It is remarkable that the quantum gravity functional integral in this case can capture all these corrections.

6.2 Open problems

- *Contribution from hypermultiplets and gravitini:* we have analyzed the $\mathcal{N} = 8, 4$ theories in their $\mathcal{N} = 2$ truncation. The near horizon geometry of these black holes only has $\mathcal{N} = 2$ symmetry so for the purposes of the finding the localizing solutions such a truncation is justified. However, this is a truncation and not a reduction because the masses of the gravitini multiplets that are ignored are of the same order as the scale of the black hole horizon. As a result these multiplets can make a contribution to the the one-loop determinants. Similarly, the hypermultiplets are known not to contribute to the classical entropy but could in principle contribute at the quantum level. The striking agreement with the microscopic answers, as well as the macroscopic one-loop determinants [58] does suggest that the combined effects of the fields that are not kept in the truncation is not significant for our problem at hand. To settle this issue definitively one would require an off-shell realization of the two supercharges used for localization but for all fields including the additional gravitini and hypermultiplets. This is an interesting problem in supergravity.

- *Localization in supergravity*: implementing localization in a theory of gravity is subtle because the choice of the localizing supercharge requires a background metric. We have treated the metric as any other field in a fiducial background. This introduces an arbitrary background dependence. It should be possible to implement localization in a background independent way.
- *A puzzle*: The gauge fields in our problem are all abelian. Consequently, the off-shell supersymmetry transformations are quadratic and as a result the quadratic fluctuation determinant of the localizing action around the localizing saddle point would seem to not depend on the collective coordinates $\{C^I\}$ of these instantons. Thus, unlike in analogous problems in nonabelian gauge theories [59], the one-loop determinants appears to be independent of the $\{C^I\}$. This raises a puzzle. The logarithmic correction to the entropy of a black hole of horizon area A_H in $\mathcal{N} = 2$ supergravity coupled to n_v vector multiplets has been found to be $\frac{23-n_v}{12} \log A_H$ from the one-loop contribution the on-shell effective action. In our off-shell analysis, we find, instead $-\frac{n_v+1}{2} \log A_H$. A possible source of this discrepancy is our gauge-choice which trades the conformal factor of the metric for a scalar field in the superconformal gravity which can lead to area dependent overall normalization of the degeneracy and thus to a logarithmic contribution to the entropy. Investigations on this front, which also addresses the first puzzle about the truncation, are currently underway [60, 61].

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