

Weyl cohomology and the conformal anomaly in the presence of torsion

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The conformal anomaly is not a bug

- Knowledge of the trace anomaly (partially) yields $\Gamma[g, \tau]$
 - 👍 No complicated renorm procedures, mostly inde of the spin of fields integrated
 - 👎 Γ_c
- Cohomology yields the most general *model independent* anomaly
 - 👍 greatly generalize previous results
 - 👎 torsion decrees applicability range + mixed anomalies, but ...

Some terminology

◆ Trace anomaly consists of: $-\frac{1}{\sqrt{g}} \frac{\delta \Gamma}{\delta \sigma} \subseteq \underbrace{\hspace{2cm}}_{a+b} + \underbrace{\hspace{1cm}}_{a'}$

◆ Torsion is just another field

$$A^\mu{}_{\nu\rho} = \Gamma^\mu{}_{\nu\rho} + K^\mu{}_{\nu\rho}(T)$$

A general linear connection, Γ is Levi-Civita, and K contortion. Torsion irreps:

$$T^\mu{}_{\nu\rho} = \frac{1}{d-1} (\delta^\mu{}_\rho \tau_\nu - \delta^\mu{}_\nu \tau_\rho) + H^\mu{}_{\nu\rho} + \kappa^\mu{}_{\nu\rho}$$

Only τ admits nontrivial Weyl transf:

1. **strongly:** $\tau'_\mu = \tau_\mu + b \partial_\mu \sigma$
2. **weakly:** $\tau'_\mu = \tau_\mu$

Cohomological method in a nutshell

Classically: $\delta_\sigma S = 0$. At the quantum level

$$\delta_\sigma \Gamma^{(1)}[g, \tau] = \omega[\sigma; g, \tau]$$

if σ grassmannian¹, $\delta_\sigma^2 = 0$ for 1./2. we get CCs

$$\delta_\sigma \omega[\sigma; g, \tau] = 0$$

and \exists **analogue of de Rham cohom** w.r.t. δ_σ :

◆ $\omega_{TA} = \delta_\sigma F[g, \tau] \Leftrightarrow$ exact 1-forms

◆ $\delta_\sigma \omega_{NT} = 0$ but such $F \nexists \Leftrightarrow$ closed but not ex, they $\in H_{dR}^1(M)$

Strategy: basis of 1-forms (or cochains) + consistency cond!

¹L. Bonora, P. Pasti and M. Bregola, Class. Quant. Grav. 3 (1986), 635

invariant torsion in $2d$: consistency conditions at work

Standard Weyl gen: $\delta_\sigma = 2 \int d^2x \sigma g_{\mu\nu} \frac{\delta}{\delta g_{\mu\nu}}$

◆ 1-cochain basis

$$\omega_1 = \int d^2x \sqrt{g} \sigma J, \quad \omega_2 = \int d^2x \sqrt{g} \sigma (\nabla \cdot \tau), \quad \omega_3 = \int d^2x \sqrt{g} \sigma (\tau \cdot \tau)$$

where $J = R/2$. CCs: $\delta_\sigma \sum_i c_i \omega_i = 0$ yield no constraints since

$$\delta_\sigma \omega_i[\sigma; g, \tau] = 0, \quad i = 1, 2, 3,$$

and thus

$$\omega_\sigma = \int \sqrt{g} \sigma \left\{ c_1 J + c_2 (\nabla \cdot \tau) + c_3 (\tau \cdot \tau) \right\}$$

◆ What's trivial? It is simple to see

$$\xi_1 = \int d^2x \sqrt{g} J, \quad \xi_2 = \int d^2x \sqrt{g} (\nabla \cdot \tau), \quad \xi_3 = \int d^2x \sqrt{g} (\tau \cdot \tau) \Rightarrow \delta_\sigma \xi_i[g, \tau] = 0$$

so, no trivial anomalies.

Finite conformal transformations

$$\sqrt{g}(\nabla \cdot \tau) = \sqrt{g'}(\nabla' \cdot \tau), \quad \sqrt{g}(\tau \cdot \tau) = \sqrt{g'}(\tau \cdot \tau), \quad \sqrt{g}J = \sqrt{g'}J' - \Delta'_2 \sigma$$

Nonlocal action

$$\Gamma_{NL}[g, \tau] = - \int d^2x \sqrt{g} \left\{ \left(\frac{c_1}{2} J + c_2 (\nabla \cdot \tau) + c_3 (\tau \cdot \tau) \right) \frac{1}{\Delta_2} J \right\} + \Gamma_c[g, \tau]$$

Localized action

$$\Gamma_{loc}[g, \varphi, \psi] = \sum_{i=1}^2 \int d^2x \sqrt{g} \left\{ \frac{1}{2} \varphi_i \Delta_2 \varphi_i + \alpha_i \varphi_i J + \beta_i \varphi_i \mathcal{T}_i - \frac{1}{2} \psi_i \Delta_2 \psi_i - \beta_i \psi_i \mathcal{T}_i \right\}$$
$$\mathcal{T}_1 = \nabla \cdot \tau, \quad \mathcal{T}_2 = \tau \cdot \tau$$

where

$$\alpha_1 = \alpha_2 = \sqrt{\frac{c_1}{2}}, \quad \beta_1 = \sqrt{\frac{2}{c_1}} c_2, \quad \beta_2 = \sqrt{\frac{2}{c_1}} c_3$$

invariant torsion in $2d$ in a toy model: Wald entropy on Rindler spaces

Wald entropy for nonlocal actions² yields

$$\frac{1}{2\pi} S_{\varphi_{1,2}J} = - \left(\frac{\partial L_{loc}}{\partial R_{\alpha\beta\mu\nu}} \right) \epsilon_{\alpha\beta\epsilon\mu\nu} \Big|_{x=x_h} = \left\{ c_1 \frac{1}{\Delta_2} J + c_2 \frac{1}{\Delta_2} \nabla \cdot \tau + c_3 \frac{1}{\Delta_2} \tau \cdot \tau \right\} \Big|_{x=x_h}$$

Near horizon $ds^2 = dr^2 + \left(\frac{2\pi}{\beta_H}\right)^2 r^2 d\eta^2 \sim$ Rindler. In an out-of-eq approach an using $\theta = \beta^{-1}\eta$ becomes a cone

$$ds^2 = dr^2 + \alpha^2 r^2 d\theta^2, \quad \alpha = \frac{\beta}{\beta_H}$$

Laplacian's Green function³

$$G(\vec{r}, \vec{r}_1) = \frac{2(\alpha - 1)}{\alpha} \ln |\vec{r} - \vec{r}_1|$$

and we choose

$$\tau_r \sim \frac{1}{r^{1+\epsilon}}$$

²R. C. Myers, Phys. Rev. D 50 (1994)

³S. N. Solodukhin, Phys. Rev. D 51 (1995)

Wald's formula yields

$$\frac{1}{\Delta_2} \tau \cdot \tau \Big|_{r_1=0} = \frac{2(\alpha - 1)^3}{\alpha} \int_0^{2\pi} \int_a^\infty r \alpha d\theta dr \frac{\ln r}{r^{2(1+\epsilon)}} = (\alpha - 1)^3 \frac{\pi \epsilon^{-2} (1 + 2\epsilon \ln a)}{a^{2\epsilon}}$$

and

$$\frac{1}{\Delta_2} \nabla \cdot \tau \Big|_{r_1=0} = \frac{2(\alpha - 1)^2 (1 + \epsilon)}{\alpha} \int_0^{2\pi} \int_a^\infty r \alpha d\theta dr \frac{\ln r}{r^{2(1+\epsilon)}} = -(\alpha - 1)^2 \frac{4\pi \epsilon^{-2} (1 + \epsilon) (1 + \epsilon \ln a)}{a^\epsilon}$$

Notice

- log div for $a \rightarrow 0$, but for $\alpha = 1$ we get, as expected, zero
- $\alpha = 1$ choose the Rindler temperature \sim Minkowski vacuum

Weyl generator

$$\delta_\sigma = \delta_\sigma^g + \delta_\sigma^\tau = 2 \int d^d x \sigma g_{\mu\nu} \frac{\delta}{\delta g_{\mu\nu}} + b \int d^d x \partial_\mu \sigma \frac{\delta}{\delta \tau_\mu}$$

Nöether id for classical Weyl inv of $S[g, \tau]$ is

$$T^\mu{}_\mu = -b \nabla_\mu \mathcal{D}^\mu$$

\mathcal{D}^μ (virial) current coupled to τ_μ

$$\frac{\delta}{\sqrt{g} \delta \tau_\mu} S[g, \tau] = \mathcal{D}^\mu$$

In flat space limit: *scale anomaly*.

affinely transforming torsion in 2d: consistent anomaly

◆ 1-cochain basis

$$\omega_1 = \int d^2x \sqrt{g} \sigma \tilde{J}, \quad \omega_2 = \int d^2x \sqrt{g} \sigma (\nabla \cdot \tau), \quad \omega_3 = \int d^2x \sqrt{g} \sigma (\tau \cdot \tau)$$

$\tilde{J} = J + \frac{1}{b} \nabla \cdot \tau$ transf homogen with weight -2 . CCs yield

$$-2bc_3 \int d^2x \sqrt{g} \sigma (\nabla_\mu \sigma) \tau^\mu = 0 \Rightarrow c_3 = 0$$

Thus

$$\omega_\sigma = \int \sqrt{g} \sigma \left\{ c_1 \tilde{J} + c_2 (\nabla \cdot \tau) \right\}$$

◆ What's trivial? 0-cochains basis

$$\xi_1 = \int d^2x \sqrt{g} \tilde{J}, \quad \xi_2 = \int d^2x \sqrt{g} (\nabla \cdot \tau), \quad \xi_3 = \int d^2x \sqrt{g} (\tau \cdot \tau)$$

Only ω_2 :
$$\omega_2 = -\frac{1}{2b} \delta_\sigma \xi_3$$

We have

$$\sqrt{g'} \tilde{J}' = \sqrt{g} \tilde{J}, \quad \sqrt{g'} (\nabla' \cdot \tau') = \sqrt{g} (\nabla \cdot \tau + b \Delta_2 \sigma)$$

$\nabla \cdot \tau$: mixed ($a + a'$)-anomaly \rightarrow integrate *simultaneously*

$$\Gamma_{WZ}[\sigma; g, \tau] = \int d^2x \sqrt{g} \sigma \left\{ c_1 \tilde{J} + \mathfrak{C}_2 (\nabla \cdot \tau) + b \frac{\mathfrak{C}_2}{2} \Delta_2 \sigma \right\} - \frac{\mathfrak{C}_3}{2b} \int d^2x \sqrt{g} (\tau \cdot \tau)$$

with $\mathfrak{C}_2 + \mathfrak{C}_3 = c_2$

But “ p_1 transforms as p_2 ” equivalence rel: *Weyl classes*.

Ex1: $\tilde{J} \in [J]_{dR}$ but different Weyl class.

Ex2: $a' \in [0]_{dR}$: \neq representative may belong to \neq Weyl classes, integ accordingly!

Localized action also displays a seemingly *unphysical* dependence

$$\Gamma_{NL}[g, \varphi, \psi] = \int d^2x \sqrt{g} \left\{ \frac{1}{2} \varphi \Delta_2 \varphi + \alpha \varphi \tilde{J} + \beta \varphi (\nabla \cdot \tau) - \frac{1}{2} \psi \Delta_2 \psi - \gamma \psi \tilde{J} \right\} \\ - \frac{c_2 - c_1}{2} \int d^2x \sqrt{g} (\tau \cdot \tau)$$

with

$$\beta = \sqrt{c_2}, \quad \alpha = \frac{c_1}{\sqrt{c_2}}, \quad \gamma^2 = \frac{c_1^2}{c_2}$$

However, it does **not** appear in the Wald entropy

$$\frac{1}{2\pi} S_{\varphi \tilde{J} + \psi \tilde{J}} = - \left(\frac{\partial L}{\partial R_{\alpha\beta\mu\nu}} \right) \epsilon_{\alpha\beta} \epsilon_{\mu\nu} \Big|_{x=x_h} = c_1 \frac{1}{\Delta_2} (\nabla \cdot \tau) \Big|_{x=x_h}$$

Conclusions and outlook

We got

- most general and τ -dependent anomaly, mixed anomalies
- even if it is less powerful some observables are well-defined in $2d$

Some future directions

- Including torsion irreps straightforward but involved
- Feynman propagator on Rindler e.g. from Lorentz-boost eigenfunctions
- Full-fledged application to bh thermo

$$\ln \mathcal{Z}(\beta) \approx -S_{cl}[g, \tau] - \Gamma_{loc}[g, \varphi_i, \psi_i]$$

Thanks for listening!

Thank you for your attention, questions are welcome!

$d = 2$ and Polyakov action, a simple but paradigmatic example

No b - and a' -anomaly

$$\langle T^\mu{}_\mu \rangle = aE_2 = aR.$$

A conf scalar with 2 derivatives has $a = \frac{1}{24\pi}$.

From $g'_{\mu\nu} = e^{2\sigma} g_{\mu\nu}$ and the chain rule

$$2g'_{\mu\nu} \frac{\delta}{\delta g'_{\mu\nu}} \Gamma[g'_{\mu\nu}] = \frac{\delta}{\delta \sigma} \Gamma[e^{2\sigma} g_{\mu\nu}] = \sqrt{g'} \langle T^\mu{}_\mu \rangle \equiv a \sqrt{g'} R'.$$

In $d = 2$

$$\sqrt{g'} R' = \sqrt{g} (R - 2\Box\sigma) \quad \Rightarrow \quad \Gamma[\sigma, g_{\mu\nu}] = a \int d^2x \sqrt{g} (R\sigma - \sigma\Box\sigma)$$

by using $\sigma = \frac{1}{2} \frac{1}{\Box} R$ we get the celebrated **Polyakov non-local action**

$$\Gamma_{NL}[g] = \frac{a}{4} \int d^2x \sqrt{g} R \frac{1}{\Box} R.$$

Localizing Polyakov action

Polyakov non-local action

$$\Gamma_{NL}[g] = \frac{a}{4} \int d^2x \sqrt{g} R \frac{1}{\square} R$$

It is easy to localize. The local action

$$\Gamma_{loc}[g, \varphi] = -\frac{a}{2} \int d^2x \sqrt{g} \left\{ \frac{1}{2} \varphi \square \varphi - R \varphi \right\}$$

yields $\Gamma_{NL}[g]$ one we go on-shell using

$$\square \varphi = R$$

Thus the strategy is to write our non local action “completing the square” so to write them in a form that resemble Polyakov.

Schouten and its trace are defined as

$$K_{\mu\nu} = \frac{1}{d-2} \left(R_{\mu\nu} - \frac{1}{2(d-1)} R g_{\mu\nu} \right) \quad \mathcal{J} = g^{\mu\nu} K_{\mu\nu} = \frac{1}{2(d-1)} R,$$

Weyl

$$W_{\mu\nu\lambda\theta} = R_{\mu\nu\lambda\theta} - g_{\mu\lambda} K_{\nu\theta} + g_{\nu\lambda} K_{\mu\theta} - g_{\nu\theta} K_{\mu\lambda} + g_{\mu\theta} K_{\nu\lambda}$$

Cotton and Bach

$$C_{\mu\nu\lambda} = \nabla_{\lambda} K_{\mu\nu} - \nabla_{\nu} K_{\mu\lambda}$$
$$B_{\mu\nu} = \nabla^{\lambda} C_{\mu\nu\lambda} + K^{\lambda\theta} W_{\lambda\mu\theta\nu}$$

Properties Cotton

$$C_{\mu\nu\lambda} = -C_{\mu\lambda\nu} \quad C_{\mu\nu\lambda} + C_{\nu\lambda\mu} + C_{\lambda\mu\nu} = 0 \quad C^{\mu}{}_{\mu\lambda} = 0 \quad \nabla^{\mu} C_{\mu\nu\lambda} = 0$$

Modified conformal tensors

Consider

$$\tilde{J} = J + c \nabla \cdot \tau + c_1 \tau \cdot \tau.$$

To ensure it transforms homogeneously, i.e., $\tilde{J} = \tilde{J}' - 2\sigma\tilde{J}$, the coefficients must satisfy

$$c = \frac{1}{b}, \quad c_1 = -\frac{d-2}{2b^2}.$$

So $\sqrt{g}\tilde{J}$ is inv in $d = 2$ and $\sqrt{g}\tilde{J}^2$ in $d = 4$. Using conformal tensors

$$\tilde{J}^2 = J^2 - \frac{d-2}{b^2} J (\tau \cdot \tau) + \frac{2}{b} J (\nabla \cdot \tau) + \frac{1}{b^2} (\nabla \cdot \tau)^2 + \frac{(d-2)^2}{4b^4} (\tau \cdot \tau)^2 - \frac{d-2}{b^3} (\nabla \cdot \tau) (\tau \cdot \tau),$$

Similarly, requiring

$$\tilde{K}^{\mu\nu} = K^{\mu\nu} + b_1 (\nabla_\mu \tau_\nu + \nabla_\nu \tau_\mu) + b_2 \tau_\mu \tau_\nu + b_3 g^{\mu\nu} \tau \cdot \tau + b_4 g^{\mu\nu} \nabla \cdot \tau$$

transforms $\tilde{K}^{\mu\nu} = \tilde{K}'^{\mu\nu} - 4\sigma\tilde{K}^{\mu\nu}$, we get

$$b_1 = \frac{1}{2b}, \quad b_2 = \frac{1}{b^2}, \quad b_3 = -\frac{1}{2b^2}, \quad b_4 = 0.$$

Naturally

$$\tilde{K}^\mu{}_\mu = \tilde{J},$$

and, for the same choice of constants, that $\tilde{K}'_{\mu\nu} = \tilde{K}_{\mu\nu}$.

$\sqrt{g}\tilde{K}_{\mu\nu}^2$ inv in $d = 4$. In terms of conf tensor

$$\begin{aligned}\tilde{K}_{\mu\nu}^2 &= K_{\mu\nu}^2 - \frac{1}{b^2} J (\tau \cdot \tau) + \frac{2}{b^2} K_{\mu\nu} (\tau^\mu \tau^\nu) + \frac{2}{b} K_{\mu\nu} (\nabla^\mu \tau^\nu) + \frac{d}{4b^4} (\tau \cdot \tau)^2 \\ &+ \frac{2}{b^3} (\tau^\mu \tau^\nu) \nabla_\mu \tau_\nu - \frac{1}{b^3} (\nabla \cdot \tau) (\tau \cdot \tau) + \frac{1}{2b^2} (\nabla_\mu \tau_\nu \nabla^\nu \tau^\mu) + \frac{1}{2b^2} (\nabla_\mu \tau_\nu)^2 .\end{aligned}$$

Homothetic curvature

$$\Omega_{\mu\nu} = (\nabla_\mu \tau_\nu - \nabla_\nu \tau_\mu) = (\partial_\mu \tau_\nu - \partial_\nu \tau_\mu) .$$

so $\sqrt{g}\Omega_{\mu\nu}^2$ inv in $d = 4$.

“Boundary” term $\tilde{\square}\tilde{J}$ (in $d = 4$). Ansatz for $\tilde{\square}$

$$\tilde{\square} = \square + g_1 \tau^\mu \nabla_\mu + g_2 (\nabla_\mu \tau^\mu) + g_3 (\tau^\mu \tau_\mu).$$

By imposing $\tilde{\square}\tilde{J} = (\tilde{\square}\tilde{J})' - 4\sigma(\tilde{\square}\tilde{J})'$, we get

$$g_1 = \frac{d-6}{b}, \quad g_2 = \frac{2}{b}, \quad g_3 = -\frac{2(d-4)}{b^2}.$$

In terms of the conf tensors

$$\begin{aligned} \tilde{\square}\tilde{J} = & \square J + \frac{1}{b} \square \nabla \cdot \tau - \frac{d-2}{b^2} \tau^\mu \square \tau_\mu - \frac{d-2}{b^2} (\nabla_\mu \tau_\nu)^2 - \frac{d-6}{b} \tau \cdot (\nabla J) + \frac{2}{b} J (\nabla \cdot \tau) \\ & - \frac{d-6}{b^2} \tau^\mu \nabla_\mu (\nabla \cdot \tau) + \frac{(d-6)(d-2)}{b^3} \tau^\mu \tau^\nu (\nabla_\mu \tau_\nu) + \frac{10-3d}{b^3} \tau \cdot \tau (\nabla \cdot \tau) \\ & - \frac{2(d-4)}{b^2} J (\tau \cdot \tau) + \frac{2}{b^2} (\nabla \cdot \tau)^2 + \frac{(d-4)(d-2)}{b^4} (\tau \cdot \tau)^2, \end{aligned}$$

$\sqrt{g}\tilde{\square}\tilde{J}$ Weyl-inv BT in $d4$.

The combinations are very useful the cohomological analysis.

Nöther id Diff:

$$\nabla_{\mu} T^{\mu}_{\nu} = \mathcal{D}^{\mu} \Omega_{\mu\nu} + \tau_{\nu} \nabla_{\mu} \mathcal{D}^{\mu}$$

as expected it holds also for $\langle T^{\mu}_{\nu} \rangle$ and $\langle \mathcal{D}^{\mu} \rangle$ (therefore when computed using our anomalous actions).

2-cochains basis for CCs

For $d = 4$, $\delta_\sigma \omega_i[\sigma; g, \tau]$ can be expressed using

$$\int d^4x \sqrt{g} (\sigma \nabla_\mu \sigma) v_i^\mu, \quad \int d^4x \sqrt{g} (\nabla_\mu \sigma \square \sigma) w_j^\mu,$$

where v_i^μ and w_j^μ counts, respectively, as 3 and 1 derivatives, and are constructed from the curvatures, τ and covariant derivatives.

Ex: using this basis we get (affine case)

$$\sum_{j,n} \int d^4x \sqrt{g} \left\{ h_j(f_i, c_k) (\nabla_\mu \sigma \square \sigma) w_j^\mu + l_n(f_i, c_k) (\sigma \nabla_\mu \sigma) v_n^\mu \right\} = 0 \implies h_j = 0, l_n = 0$$

leading to

$$\begin{aligned} f_1 &= \frac{f_6}{2b^3}, & f_5 &= \frac{f_6}{b}, & f_7 &= 0, & f_8 &= \frac{f_{10}}{2} - \frac{f_6}{b^2}, \\ f_9 &= \frac{f_6}{2b} - f_{11}, & f_{12} &= f_{11}, & f_{13} &= -f_{11}, & c_2 &= -\frac{bf_6}{2} - c_1, \end{aligned}$$

with f_2, f_3, f_4, f_{14} arbitrary.

1-cochains basis: affinely transf torsion

torsion dep basis

$$\begin{aligned}\omega_5 &= \int d^4x \sqrt{g} \sigma (\tau \cdot \tau)^2, & \omega_6 &= \int d^4x \sqrt{g} \sigma \tilde{J}^2, & \omega_7 &= \int d^4x \sqrt{g} \sigma \tilde{K}_{\mu\nu}^2, \\ \omega_8 &= \int d^4x \sqrt{g} \sigma \Omega_{\mu\nu}^2, & \omega_9 &= \int d^4x \sqrt{g} \sigma \tilde{J} (\tau \cdot \tau), & \omega_{10} &= \int d^4x \sqrt{g} \sigma (\nabla \tilde{J}) \cdot \tau, \\ \omega_{11} &= \int d^4x \sqrt{g} \sigma \tilde{K}^{\mu\nu} \tau_\mu \tau_\nu, & \omega_{12} &= \int d^4x \sqrt{g} \sigma \tau \cdot \tau (\nabla \cdot \tau), & \omega_{13} &= \int d^4x \sqrt{g} \sigma (\nabla \cdot \tau)^2, \\ \omega_{14} &= \int d^4x \sqrt{g} \sigma (\tau^\mu \tau^\nu) \nabla_\mu \tau_\nu, & \omega_{15} &= \int d^4x \sqrt{g} \sigma \tau_\mu \square \tau^\mu, & \omega_{16} &= \int d^4x \sqrt{g} \sigma (\nabla_\mu \tau_\nu)^2, \\ \omega_{17} &= \int d^4x \sqrt{g} \sigma \tau^\mu \nabla_\mu \nabla \cdot \tau, & \omega_{18} &= \int d^4x \sqrt{g} \sigma \tilde{\square} \tilde{J},\end{aligned}$$

Plus usual metric dep basis

$$\begin{aligned}\omega_1 &= \int d^4x \sqrt{g} \sigma W^{\alpha\beta\rho\gamma} W_{\alpha\beta\rho\gamma}, & \omega_2 &= \int d^4x \sqrt{g} \sigma K_{\mu\nu}^2, \\ \omega_3 &= \int d^4x \sqrt{g} \sigma J^2, & \omega_4 &= \int d^4x \sqrt{g} \sigma \square J.\end{aligned}$$

since $E_4 = 8(J^2 - K_{\mu\nu}^2) + W_{\alpha\beta\rho\gamma}^2 \rightarrow$ only E_4 and W^2 .

affinely transforming torsion in 4d: the action

Similar (but much involved) analysis

$$\omega_\sigma = \int \sqrt{g} \sigma \left\{ f_2 \tilde{J}^2 + f_3 \tilde{K}_{\mu\nu}^2 + f_4 \Omega_{\mu\nu}^2 + f_{14} \tilde{\square} \tilde{J} + f_6 \nabla_\mu (\tilde{J} \tau^\mu) + \frac{f_{10}}{2} \nabla_\mu (\tau^\mu \tau \cdot \tau) \right. \\ \left. + f_{11} \left(\frac{1}{2} \square \tau^2 - \nabla_\mu (\tau^\mu \nabla \cdot \tau) \right) \right\}$$

$\tilde{\square} \tilde{J}$: ($b + a'$)-anomaly.

Local action

$$\Gamma_{int}[g, \varphi_i, \psi_i] = \sum_{i=1}^5 \int d^4x \sqrt{g} \left\{ \frac{1}{2} \varphi_i \Delta_4 \varphi_i - \alpha_i \varphi_i Q_4 - \beta_i \varphi_i \mathcal{T}_i - \frac{1}{2} \psi_i \Delta_4 \psi_i - \beta_i \psi_i \mathcal{T}_i \right\}$$
$$\mathcal{T}_1 = W^2, \quad \mathcal{T}_2 = \tilde{J}^2, \quad \mathcal{T}_3 = \tilde{K}_{\mu\nu}^2, \quad \mathcal{T}_4 = \Omega_{\mu\nu}^2, \quad \mathcal{T}_5 = \tilde{\square} \tilde{J}$$

but with

$$\alpha_{i=1,\dots,5} = \sqrt{-\frac{a_1}{5}}, \quad \beta_1 = -b_1 \sqrt{-\frac{5}{a_1}} \dots, \quad \beta_5 = -c_{14} \sqrt{-\frac{5}{a_1}}$$

torsion dep basis

$$\begin{aligned}\omega_5 &= \int d^4x \sqrt{g} \sigma (\tau \cdot \tau)^2, & \omega_6 &= \int d^4x \sqrt{g} \sigma J (\nabla \cdot \tau), & \omega_7 &= \int d^4x \sqrt{g} \sigma K^{\mu\nu} (\nabla_\mu \tau_\nu) \\ \omega_8 &= \int d^4x \sqrt{g} \sigma \Omega_{\mu\nu}^2, & \omega_9 &= \int d^4x \sqrt{g} \sigma J (\tau \cdot \tau), & \omega_{10} &= \int d^4x \sqrt{g} \sigma (\nabla J) \cdot \tau, \\ \omega_{11} &= \int d^4x \sqrt{g} \sigma K^{\mu\nu} \tau_\mu \tau_\nu, & \omega_{12} &= \int d^4x \sqrt{g} \sigma \tau \cdot \tau (\nabla \cdot \tau), & \omega_{13} &= \int d^4x \sqrt{g} \sigma (\nabla \cdot \tau)^2, \\ \omega_{14} &= \int d^4x \sqrt{g} \sigma (\tau^\mu \tau^\nu) \nabla_\mu \tau_\nu, & \omega_{15} &= \int d^4x \sqrt{g} \sigma \tau_\mu \square \tau^\mu, & \omega_{16} &= \int d^4x \sqrt{g} \sigma (\nabla_\mu \tau_\nu)^2, \\ \omega_{17} &= \int d^4x \sqrt{g} \sigma \tau^\mu \nabla_\mu \nabla \cdot \tau, & \omega_{18} &= \int d^4x \sqrt{g} \sigma \square \nabla \cdot \tau.\end{aligned}$$

Plus usual metric dep basis.

Now

$$\omega_\sigma^\tau = \int \sqrt{g} \sigma \left\{ f_1 (\tau \cdot \tau)^2 + f_4 \Omega_{\mu\nu}^2 + f_{12} \overbrace{(\tau^\mu \nabla_\nu \nabla_\mu \tau^\nu + (\nabla_\mu \tau_\nu)^2)}^\Psi + \frac{f_{11}}{2} \square \tau_\mu^2 \right. \\ \left. + \frac{f_{10}}{2} \nabla_\mu (\tau^\mu \tau \cdot \tau) + f_{13} \nabla_\mu (\tau^\mu \nabla \cdot \tau) + f_2 \left(\frac{1}{2} \square \nabla \cdot \tau + \nabla_\mu (\tau^\mu J) \right) \right\}$$

where

$$\sqrt{g'} \Psi' = \sqrt{g} (\Psi + O(g, \tau))$$

Weyl inv F can be integrated as

$$\int d^4x \sqrt{g} F(g, \tau) \frac{1}{O} \Psi, \quad \int d^4x \sqrt{g} F(g, \tau) \frac{1}{\Delta_4} Q_4$$

invariant torsion in 4d: anomalous actions

Wess-Zumino action

$$\Gamma_{WZ} = \int d^4x \sqrt{g'} \sigma \left\{ f_1 (\tau \cdot \tau)^2 + f_4 \Omega_{\mu\nu}^2 + f_5 \Psi(g', \tau) - \frac{f_5}{2} O(g', \tau) \sigma \right\}$$

Nonlocal action

$$\Gamma_{NL} = \int d^4x \sqrt{g'} \left\{ (f_1 (\tau \cdot \tau)^2 + f_4 \Omega_{\mu\nu}^2 + b_1 W^2 + \frac{1}{2} Q_4^\tau) \frac{1}{\Delta_4^\tau} Q_4^\tau \right\} + \Gamma_L$$

where

$$Q_4^\tau = a_1 Q_4 + f_5 \Psi(g, \tau), \quad \sqrt{g} Q_4^\tau = (\sqrt{g'} Q_4'^\tau + \Delta_4'^\tau)$$

and

$$\Delta_4^\tau \equiv a_1 \Delta_4 - f_5 O(g, \tau)$$

is self adjoint and conformally cov by construction.