

Sewing and Propagation of Conformal Blocks

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1 The geometric setting

We set $\mathbb{N} = \{0, 1, 2, \dots\}$ and $\mathbb{Z}_+ = \{1, 2, 3, \dots\}$. Let $\mathbb{C}^\times = \mathbb{C} \setminus \{0\}$. For each $r > 0$, we let $\mathcal{D}_r = \{z \in \mathbb{C} : |z| < r\}$ and $\mathcal{D}_r^\times = \mathcal{D}_r \setminus \{0\}$. For any topological space X , we define the configuration space $\text{Conf}^n(X) = \{(x_1, \dots, x_n) \in X^n : x_i \neq x_j \forall 1 \leq i < j \leq n\}$.

For each complex manifold X , \mathcal{O}_X is the sheaf of holomorphic functions of X . For each $x \in X$ and any \mathcal{O}_X -module \mathcal{E} , \mathcal{E}_x is the stalk of \mathcal{E} at x . $\mathfrak{m}_{X,x}$ (or simply \mathfrak{m}_x when no confusion arises) is by definition $\{f \in \mathcal{O}_{X,x} : f(x) = 0\}$. $\mathcal{E}|_x := \mathcal{E}_x / \mathfrak{m}_x \mathcal{E}_x \simeq \mathcal{E} \otimes_{\mathcal{O}_X} \mathcal{O}_{X,x} / \mathfrak{m}_x$ is the fiber of \mathcal{E} at x . More generally, if Y is a closed complex submanifold of X with \mathcal{I}_Y being the ideal sheaf (the sheaf of all sections of \mathcal{O}_X vanishing at Y), then the restriction $\mathcal{E}|_Y$ is defined to be $\mathcal{E} \otimes_{\mathcal{O}_X} \mathcal{O}_X / \mathcal{I}_Y$ (restricted to the set Y). We suppress the subscript \mathcal{O}_X under \otimes when taking tensor products of \mathcal{O}_X -modules. If s is a section of \mathcal{E} , then $s|_Y$ is the corresponding value $s \otimes 1$ in $\mathcal{E}|_Y$.

(To the readers not familiar with the language of sheaf of modules: we only consider the case that \mathcal{E} is locally free, i.e., a holomorphic vector bundle. Then $\mathcal{E}|_Y$ resp. $s|_Y$ is the usual restriction of the vector bundle resp. vector field to the submanifold Y .)

For a Riemann surface C , its cotangent line bundle is denoted by ω_C .

A **family of compact Riemann surfaces** \mathfrak{X} is by definition a holomorphic proper map of complex manifolds

$$\mathfrak{X} = (\pi : \mathcal{C} \rightarrow \mathcal{B})$$

which is submersion and satisfies that each fiber $\mathcal{C}_b := \pi^{-1}(b)$ (where $b \in \mathcal{B}$) is a (non-necessarily connected) compact Riemann surface.

A **family of N -pointed compact Riemann surfaces** is by definition

$$\mathfrak{X} = (\pi : \mathcal{C} \rightarrow \mathcal{B}; \varsigma_1, \dots, \varsigma_N) \tag{1.1}$$

where $\pi : \mathcal{C} \rightarrow \mathcal{B}$ is a family of compact Riemann surfaces, each section $\varsigma_j : \mathcal{B} \rightarrow \mathcal{C}$ is holomorphic and satisfies $\pi \circ \varsigma_j = \text{id}_{\mathcal{B}}$, and any two $\varsigma_i(\mathcal{B}), \varsigma_j(\mathcal{B})$ (where $1 \leq i < j \leq N$) are disjoint. Unless otherwise stated, we also assume that every connected component of each fiber

$$\mathcal{C}_b = \pi^{-1}(b)$$

(where $b \in \mathcal{B}$) contains at least one of $\varsigma_1(b), \dots, \varsigma_N(b)$. We set

$$\mathfrak{X}_b = (\mathcal{C}_b; \varsigma_1(b), \dots, \varsigma_N(b)),$$

which is an N -pointed compact Riemann surface. We define closed submanifold

$$S_{\mathfrak{X}} = \bigcup_{j=1}^N \varsigma_j(\mathcal{B}),$$

considered also as a divisor of \mathcal{C} . For any sheaf of $\mathcal{O}_{\mathcal{C}}$ -module \mathcal{E} , and for any $n \in \mathbb{Z}$, we set

$$\mathcal{E}(nS_{\mathfrak{X}}) := \mathcal{E} \otimes \mathcal{O}_{\mathcal{C}}(nS_{\mathfrak{X}}),$$

$$\mathcal{E}(\star S_{\mathfrak{X}}) = \varinjlim_{n \in \mathbb{N}} \mathcal{E}(n S_{\mathfrak{X}}).$$

When \mathcal{E} is a vector bundle, $\mathcal{E}(n S_{\mathfrak{X}})$ is the sheaf of sections of \mathcal{E} which possibly has poles at each $\varsigma_j(\mathcal{B})$ with order at most n .

For each $1 \leq j \leq N$, a **local coordinate** of \mathfrak{X} at ς_j is defined to be a holomorphic function $\eta_j \in \mathcal{O}(W_i)$ (where W_i is a neighborhood of $\varsigma_i(\mathcal{B})$) which is injective on each fiber $W_i \cap \pi^{-1}(b)$ and has value 0 on $\varsigma_i(\mathcal{B})$. It follows that (π, η_j) is a biholomorphism from W_i to a neighborhood of $\mathcal{B} \times \{0\}$ in $\mathcal{B} \times \mathbb{C}$. $\eta_j|_{\mathcal{C}_b}$ is a local coordinate of the fiber \mathcal{C}_b at the point $\varsigma_j(b)$, which identifies a neighborhood of $\varsigma_j(b)$ (say $W_j \cap \mathcal{C}_b$) with an open subset of \mathbb{C} such that $\varsigma_j(b)$ is identified with the origin. If \mathfrak{X} is equipped with local coordinates η_1, \dots, η_N at $\varsigma_1(\mathcal{B}), \dots, \varsigma_N(\mathcal{B})$ respectively, we set

$$\mathfrak{X}_b = (\mathcal{C}_b; \varsigma_1(b), \dots, \varsigma_N(b); \eta_1|_{\mathcal{C}_b}, \dots, \eta_N|_{\mathcal{C}_b}).$$

In particular, $S_{\mathfrak{X}_b} = \sum_j \varsigma_j(b)$ is a divisor of \mathcal{C}_b .

We let $\mathfrak{X} = (1.1)$ be N -pointed but not necessarily equipped with local coordinates. Define the **propagated family** $\wr \mathfrak{X}$ as follows. Consider the commutative diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \mathcal{C} \times_{\mathcal{B}} (\mathcal{C} \setminus S_{\mathfrak{X}}) & \longrightarrow & \mathcal{C} \\ \downarrow \wr \pi & & \downarrow \pi \\ \mathcal{C} \setminus S_{\mathfrak{X}} & \xrightarrow{\pi} & \mathcal{B} \end{array}$$

where $\mathcal{C} \times_{\mathcal{B}} (\mathcal{C} \setminus S_{\mathfrak{X}})$ is the closed submanifold of $\mathcal{C} \times (\mathcal{C} \setminus S_{\mathfrak{X}})$ consisting of all (x, y) satisfying $\pi(x) = \pi(y)$, the first horizontal arrow is the projection onto the first component, and $\wr \pi$ is the projection onto the second component. We set

$$\wr \mathcal{B} = \mathcal{C} \setminus S_{\mathfrak{X}}, \quad \wr \mathcal{C} = \mathcal{C} \times_{\mathcal{B}} (\mathcal{C} \setminus S_{\mathfrak{X}}).$$

The holomorphic section $\sigma : \mathcal{C} \setminus S_{\mathfrak{X}} \rightarrow \mathcal{C} \times_{\mathcal{B}} (\mathcal{C} \setminus S_{\mathfrak{X}})$ is set to be the diagonal map, i.e.,

$$\sigma : x \mapsto (x, x).$$

Define sections

$$\wr \varsigma_j : \mathcal{C} \setminus S_{\mathfrak{X}} \rightarrow \mathcal{C} \times_{\mathcal{B}} (\mathcal{C} \setminus S_{\mathfrak{X}}), \quad x \mapsto (\varsigma_j \circ \pi(x), x).$$

Then we obtain an $(N + 1)$ -pointed family $\wr \mathfrak{X}$ of compact Riemann surfaces to be

$$\wr \mathfrak{X} = (\wr \pi : \wr \mathcal{C} \rightarrow \wr \mathcal{B}; \sigma, \wr \varsigma_1, \dots, \wr \varsigma_N). \quad (1.2)$$

One can define multi-propagation inductively by $\wr^n \mathfrak{X} = \wr \wr^{n-1} \mathfrak{X}$. Write

$$\wr^n \mathfrak{X} = (\wr^n \pi : \wr^n \mathcal{C} \rightarrow \wr^n \mathcal{B}; \sigma_1, \dots, \sigma_n, \wr^n \varsigma_1, \dots, \wr^n \varsigma_N).$$

Then $\wr^n \mathfrak{X}$ can be described in a more explicit way. Let

$$\prod_{\mathcal{B}}^n \mathcal{C} \setminus S_{\mathfrak{X}} = \underbrace{(\mathcal{C} \setminus S_{\mathfrak{X}}) \times_{\mathcal{B}} \cdots \times_{\mathcal{B}} (\mathcal{C} \setminus S_{\mathfrak{X}})}_n$$

which is the set of all $(x_1, \dots, x_n) \in \prod^n \mathcal{C} \setminus S_{\mathfrak{X}}$ satisfying $\pi(x_1) = \dots = \pi(x_n)$. Define the relative configuration space

$$\text{Conf}_{\mathcal{B}}^n(\mathcal{C} \setminus S_{\mathfrak{X}}) = \left\{ (x_1, \dots, x_n) \in \prod_{\mathcal{B}}^n \mathcal{C} \setminus S_{\mathfrak{X}} : x_i \neq x_j \text{ for any } 1 \leq i < j \leq n \right\}$$

which clearly admits a submersion $\text{Conf}_{\mathcal{B}}^n(\mathcal{C} \setminus S_{\mathfrak{X}}) \rightarrow \mathcal{B}$ (sending each (x_1, \dots, x_n) to $\pi(x_1)$). Take

$$\wr^n \pi : \mathcal{C} \times_{\mathcal{B}} \text{Conf}_{\mathcal{B}}^n(\mathcal{C} \setminus S_{\mathfrak{X}}) \rightarrow \text{Conf}_{\mathcal{B}}^n(\mathcal{C} \setminus S_{\mathfrak{X}}).$$

to be the pullback of $\pi : \mathcal{C} \rightarrow \mathcal{B}$ along $\text{Conf}_{\mathcal{B}}^n(\mathcal{C} \setminus S_{\mathfrak{X}}) \rightarrow \mathcal{B}$. So we have a commutative diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \mathcal{C} \times_{\mathcal{B}} \text{Conf}_{\mathcal{B}}^n(\mathcal{C} \setminus S_{\mathfrak{X}}) & \longrightarrow & \mathcal{C} \\ \downarrow \wr^n \pi & & \downarrow \pi \\ \text{Conf}_{\mathcal{B}}^n(\mathcal{C} \setminus S_{\mathfrak{X}}) & \longrightarrow & \mathcal{B} \end{array}$$

Then $\wr^n \mathfrak{X}$ is equivalent to

$$\wr^n \mathfrak{X} \simeq \left(\wr^n \pi : \mathcal{C} \times_{\mathcal{B}} \text{Conf}_{\mathcal{B}}^n(\mathcal{C} \setminus S_{\mathfrak{X}}) \rightarrow \text{Conf}_{\mathcal{B}}^n(\mathcal{C} \setminus S_{\mathfrak{X}}); \sigma_1, \dots, \sigma_n, \wr^n \varsigma_1, \dots, \wr^n \varsigma_N \right)$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} \sigma_i(x_1, \dots, x_n) &= (x_i, x_1, \dots, x_n), \\ \wr^n \varsigma_j(x_1, \dots, x_n) &= (\varsigma_j \circ \pi(x_1), x_1, \dots, x_n) \end{aligned}$$

for each $1 \leq i \leq n, 1 \leq j \leq N, (x_1, \dots, x_n) \in \text{Conf}_{\mathcal{B}}^n(\mathcal{C} \setminus S_{\mathfrak{X}})$.

2 Sheaves of VOA

For any (\mathbb{C}) -vector space W , we define four spaces of formal series

$$\begin{aligned} W[[z]] &= \left\{ \sum_{n \in \mathbb{N}} w_n z^n : \text{each } w_n \in W \right\}, \\ W[[z^{\pm 1}]] &= \left\{ \sum_{n \in \mathbb{Z}} w_n z^n : \text{each } w_n \in W \right\}, \\ W((z)) &= \left\{ f(z) : z^k f(z) \in W[[z]] \text{ for some } k \in \mathbb{Z} \right\}, \\ W\{z\} &= \left\{ z^{a_1} f_1(z) + \dots + z^{a_k} f_k(z) : k \in \mathbb{Z}_+, a_1, \dots, a_k \in \mathbb{C}, f_1, \dots, f_k \in W[[z^{\pm 1}]] \right\}. \end{aligned}$$

Throughout this article, \mathbb{V} is a positive-energy vertex operator algebra (VOA) with vacuum $\mathbf{1}$ and conformal vector \mathbf{c} . We write $Y(v, z) = \sum_{n \in \mathbb{Z}} Y(v)_n z^{-n-1}$. Then $\{L_n = Y(\mathbf{c})_{n+1}\}$ are Virasoro algebras, and L_0 gives grading $\mathbb{V} = \bigoplus_{n \in \mathbb{N}} \mathbb{V}(n)$, where each $\mathbb{V}(n)$ is finite-dimensional.

In this article, a \mathbb{V} -module \mathbb{W} means a **finitely-admissible \mathbb{V} -module**. This means that \mathbb{W} is a weak \mathbb{V} -module in the sense of [DLM97], that \mathbb{W} is equipped with a diagonalizable operator \tilde{L}_0 satisfying

$$[\tilde{L}_0, Y_{\mathbb{W}}(v)_n] = Y_{\mathbb{W}}(L_0 v)_n - (n+1)Y_{\mathbb{W}}(v)_n, \quad (2.1)$$

that the eigenvalues of \tilde{L}_0 are in \mathbb{N} , and that each eigenspace $\mathbb{W}(n)$ is finite-dimensional. Let

$$\mathbb{W} = \bigoplus_{n \in \mathbb{N}} \mathbb{W}(n)$$

be the grading given by \tilde{L}_0 . Each

$$\mathbb{W}^{\leq n} = \bigoplus_{0 \leq k \leq n} \mathbb{W}(k)$$

is finite-dimensional. We choose the \tilde{L}_0 operator on \mathbb{V} to be L_0 .

We can define the **contragredient \mathbb{V} -module** \mathbb{W}' of \mathbb{W} as in [FHL93]. We choose \tilde{L}_0 -grading to be

$$\mathbb{W}' = \bigoplus_{n \in \mathbb{N}} \mathbb{W}'(n), \quad \mathbb{W}'(n) = \mathbb{W}(n)^*.$$

Therefore, if we let $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle$ be the pairing between \mathbb{W} and \mathbb{W}' , then $\langle \tilde{L}_0 w, w' \rangle = \langle w, \tilde{L}_0 w' \rangle$ for each $w \in \mathbb{W}, w' \in \mathbb{W}'$.

The vertex operator of \mathbb{W} is denoted by $Y_{\mathbb{W}}$. Write $Y_{\mathbb{W}}(v, z) = \sum_{n \in \mathbb{Z}} Y_{\mathbb{W}}(v)_n z^{-n-1}$, which gives a linear map $Y_{\mathbb{W}} : \mathbb{V} \otimes \mathbb{W} \rightarrow \mathbb{W}((z))$ sending $v \otimes w$ to $Y(v, z)w$. We will write $Y_{\mathbb{W}}$ as Y when the context is clear. By identifying \mathbb{V} with $\mathbb{V} \otimes 1$ in $\mathbb{V} \otimes \mathbb{C}((z))$ and similarly \mathbb{W} with $\mathbb{W} \otimes 1$ in $\mathbb{W} \otimes \mathbb{C}((z))$, $Y_{\mathbb{W}}$ can be extended $\mathbb{C}((z))$ -bilinearly to

$$\begin{aligned} Y_{\mathbb{W}} : \left(\mathbb{V} \otimes \mathbb{C}((z)) \right) \otimes \left(\mathbb{W} \otimes \mathbb{C}((z)) \right) &\rightarrow \mathbb{W} \otimes \mathbb{C}((z)), \\ Y_{\mathbb{W}}(u \otimes f, z)w \otimes g &= f(z)g(z)Y_{\mathbb{W}}(u, z)w \end{aligned} \quad (2.2)$$

(for each $u \in \mathbb{V}, w \in \mathbb{W}, f, g \in \mathbb{C}((z))$). It can furthermore be extended to

$$Y_{\mathbb{W}} : \left(\mathbb{V} \otimes \mathbb{C}((z))dz \right) \otimes \left(\mathbb{W} \otimes \mathbb{C}((z)) \right) \rightarrow \mathbb{W} \otimes \mathbb{C}((z))dz \quad (2.3)$$

in an obvious way. Thus, for each $v \in \mathbb{V} \otimes \mathbb{C}((z))dz$, we can define the residue

$$\text{Res}_{z=0} Y_{\mathbb{W}}(v, z)w, \quad (2.4)$$

which, in case $v = u \otimes f dz, w = m \otimes g$ where $u \in \mathbb{V}, m \in \mathbb{W}$, and $f, g \in \mathbb{C}((z))$, is the \mathbb{W} -coefficient of $f(z)g(z)Y_{\mathbb{W}}(v, z)mdz$ before $z^{-1}dz$.

We define a group $\mathbb{G} = \{f \in \mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{C},0} : f(0) = 0, f'(0) \neq 0\}$ where the stalk $\mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{C},0}$ is the set of holomorphic functions defined on a neighborhood of 0. The multiplication rule of \mathbb{G} is the composition $\rho_1 \circ \rho_2$ of any two elements $\rho_1, \rho_2 \in \mathbb{G}$. By [Hua97], for each

\mathbb{V} -module \mathbb{W} , there is a homomorphism $\mathcal{U} : \mathbb{G} \rightarrow \mathbb{W}$ defined in the following way: If we choose the unique $c_0, c_1, c_2 \dots \in \mathbb{C}$ satisfying

$$\rho(z) = c_0 \cdot \exp \left(\sum_{n>0} c_n z^{n+1} \partial_z \right) z$$

then we necessarily have $c_0 = \rho'(0)$, and we set

$$\mathcal{U}(\rho) = \rho'(0)^{\tilde{L}_0} \cdot \exp \left(\sum_{n>0} c_n L_n \right).$$

If X is a complex manifold, a (holomorphic) **family of transformations** $\rho : X \rightarrow \mathbb{G}$ is by definition an analytic function $\rho = \rho(x, z) = \rho_x(z)$ on a neighborhood of $X \times \{0\} \subset X \times \mathbb{C}$. Then $\mathcal{U}(\rho)$ (on each \mathbb{W}) is defined pointwisely, which is an $\text{End}(\mathbb{W})$ -valued function on X whose value at each $x \in X$ is $\mathcal{U}(\rho_x)$. $\mathcal{U}(\rho)$ can be regarded as an \mathcal{O}_X -module automorphism of $\mathbb{W} \otimes_{\mathbb{C}} \mathcal{O}_X$.

Let $\mathfrak{X} = (\pi : \mathcal{C} \rightarrow \mathcal{B})$ be a family of compact Riemann surfaces. Associated to \mathfrak{X} one can define a sheaf of \mathcal{O}_X -modules $\mathcal{V}_{\mathfrak{X}}$ as follows. (See [Gui20, Sec. 5] for details.) First, suppose $U, V \subset \mathcal{C}$ are open subsets, and we have two holomorphic functions $\eta \in \mathcal{O}(U), \mu \in \mathcal{O}(V)$ locally injective (i.e., étale) on each fiber $U_b := U \cap \pi^{-1}(b), V_b = V \cap \pi^{-1}(b)$ ($b \in \mathcal{B}$) of U and V respectively. We can define a family of transformations $\varrho(\eta|\mu) : U \cap V \rightarrow \mathbb{G}$ as follows: for each $p \in \mathcal{C}$, both $\eta - \eta(p)$ and $\mu - \mu(p)$ restricts to an injective holomorphic function on the fiber $(U \cap V)_{\pi(p)} = U \cap V \cap \pi^{-1}(\pi(p))$ vanishing at p . Then $\varrho(\eta|\mu)_p \in \mathbb{G}$ is determined by

$$\boxed{\eta - \eta(p)|_{(U \cap V)_{\pi(p)}} = \varrho(\eta|\mu)_p (\mu - \mu(p)|_{(U \cap V)_{\pi(p)}})} \quad (2.5)$$

on a neighborhood of $0 \in \mathbb{C}$. Then $\mathcal{U}(\varrho(\eta|\mu))$ is an $\mathcal{O}_{U \cap V}$ -module automorphism of $\mathbb{V} \otimes_{\mathbb{C}} \mathcal{O}_{U \cap V}$ which restricts to an automorphism of $\mathbb{V}^{\leq n} \otimes_{\mathbb{C}} \mathcal{O}_{U \cap V}$ for each $n \in \mathbb{N}$. The cocycle condition $\varrho(\eta|\mu)\varrho(\mu|\nu) = \varrho(\eta|\nu)$ holds for any holomorphic function ν on a neighborhood of \mathcal{C} which is injective on each fiber.

Thus, we can define $\mathcal{V}_{\mathfrak{X}}^{\leq n}$ to be the holomorphic vector bundle on \mathcal{C} which associates to each open $U \subset \mathcal{C}$ and each $\eta \in \mathcal{O}(U)$ injective on fibers a trivialization (i.e., an isomorphism of \mathcal{O}_U -modules)

$$\mathcal{U}_{\varrho}(\eta) : \mathcal{V}_{\mathfrak{X}}^{\leq n}|_U \xrightarrow{\cong} \mathbb{V}^{\leq n} \otimes_{\mathbb{C}} \mathcal{O}_U \quad (2.6)$$

such that for another similar $V \subset \mathcal{C}, \mu \in \mathcal{O}(V)$, we have the transition function

$$\mathcal{U}_{\varrho}(\eta)\mathcal{U}_{\varrho}(\mu)^{-1} = \mathcal{U}(\varrho(\eta|\mu)) : \mathbb{V}^{\leq n} \otimes_{\mathbb{C}} \mathcal{O}_{U \cap V} \xrightarrow{\cong} \mathbb{V}^{\leq n} \otimes_{\mathbb{C}} \mathcal{O}_{U \cap V}. \quad (2.7)$$

If $n' > n$, we have clearly an $\mathcal{O}_{\mathcal{C}}$ -module monomorphism $\mathcal{V}_{\mathfrak{X}}^{\leq n} \rightarrow \mathcal{V}_{\mathfrak{X}}^{\leq n'}$ which, for each open $U \subset \mathcal{C}$ and η as above, is transported under the isomorphisms (2.6) to the canonical monomorphism $\mathbb{V}^{\leq n} \otimes_{\mathbb{C}} \mathcal{O}_U \rightarrow \mathbb{V}^{\leq n'} \otimes_{\mathbb{C}} \mathcal{O}_U$ defined by the inclusion $\mathbb{V}^{\leq n} \hookrightarrow \mathbb{V}^{\leq n'}$. Thus we are allowed to define

$$\mathcal{V}_{\mathfrak{X}} = \varinjlim_{n \in \mathbb{N}} \mathcal{V}_{\mathfrak{X}}^{\leq n}.$$

Alternatively, one can directly define $\mathcal{V}_{\mathfrak{X}}$ to be the $\mathcal{O}_{\mathcal{C}}$ -module which is locally free and isomorphic to $\mathbb{V} \otimes_{\mathbb{C}} \mathcal{O}_U$ via a morphism $\mathcal{U}_{\varrho}(\eta)$, and whose transition function is given by $\mathcal{U}(\varrho(\eta|\mu))$. We call $\mathcal{V}_{\mathfrak{X}}$ the **sheaf of VOA** associated to \mathfrak{X} and \mathbb{V} .

For each fiber \mathcal{C}_b (where $b \in \mathcal{B}$), we have a canonical equivalence

$$\mathcal{V}_{\mathfrak{X}}|_{\mathcal{C}_b} \simeq \mathcal{V}_{\mathcal{C}_b} \equiv \mathcal{V}_{\mathfrak{X}_b} \quad (2.8)$$

such that if these two $\mathcal{O}_{\mathcal{C}_b}$ -modules are identified through this isomorphism, then the restriction of the trivialization (2.6) to $U_b = U \cap \pi^{-1}(b)$ equals

$$\mathcal{U}_{\varrho}(\eta|_{\mathcal{C}_b}) : \mathcal{V}_{\mathcal{C}_b}|_{U_b} \xrightarrow{\sim} \mathbb{V} \otimes_{\mathbb{C}} \mathcal{O}_{U_b}.$$

Definition 2.1. Since the vacuum vector $\mathbf{1}$ is killed by all L_n (where $n \geq 0$), it is fixed by any change of coordinate $\mathcal{U}(\rho)$. It follows that we can define a section $\mathbf{1} \in \mathcal{V}_{\mathfrak{X}}(\mathcal{C})$ which under any trivialization $\mathcal{U}_{\varrho}(\eta)$ is the constant section $\mathbf{1}$, called the **vacuum section**.

3 Conformal blocks

Let \mathfrak{X} be a family of N -pointed compact Riemann surfaces as in (1.1). We choose \mathbb{V} -modules $\mathbb{W}_1, \dots, \mathbb{W}_N$. Set

$$\mathbb{W}_{\bullet} = \mathbb{W}_1 \otimes \dots \otimes \mathbb{W}_N.$$

$w \in \mathbb{W}_{\bullet}$ means a vector in \mathbb{W}_{\bullet} , and $w_{\bullet} \in \mathbb{W}_{\bullet}$ means a vector of the form $w_1 \otimes \dots \otimes w_N$ where each $w_i \in \mathbb{W}_i$.

The sheaf of conformal blocks is an $\mathcal{O}_{\mathcal{B}}$ -submodule of an infinite-rank locally free $\mathcal{O}_{\mathcal{B}}$ -module $\mathcal{W}_{\mathfrak{X}}(\mathbb{W}_{\bullet})$, where the latter is defined as follows. For each open subset $V \subset \mathcal{B}$ such that the restricted family

$$\mathfrak{X}_V := (\pi : \mathcal{C}_V \rightarrow V; \varsigma_1|_V, \dots, \varsigma_N|_V)$$

(where $\mathcal{C}_V = \pi^{-1}(V)$) admits local coordinates η_1, \dots, η_N at $\varsigma_1(V), \dots, \varsigma_N(V)$ respectively, we have a trivialization (i.e., an isomorphism of \mathcal{O}_V -modules)

$$\mathcal{U}(\eta_{\bullet}) \equiv \mathcal{U}(\eta_1) \otimes \dots \otimes \mathcal{U}(\eta_N) : \mathcal{W}_{\mathfrak{X}}(\mathbb{W}_{\bullet})|_V \xrightarrow{\sim} \mathbb{W}_{\bullet} \otimes_{\mathbb{C}} \mathcal{O}_V.$$

If V is small enough such that we have another set of local coordinates μ_1, \dots, μ_N at $\varsigma_1(V), \dots, \varsigma_N(V)$ respectively, for each $1 \leq j \leq N$ we choose a family of transformations $(\eta_j|\mu_j) : V \rightarrow \mathbb{G}$ defined by

$$\boxed{(\eta_j|\mu_j)_b \circ \mu_j|_{\mathcal{C}_b} = \eta_j|_{\mathcal{C}_b}} \quad (3.1)$$

for each $b \in V$. Then each $\mathcal{U}(\eta_j|\mu_j)$ is a holomorphic family of invertible endomorphisms of \mathbb{W}_j associated to $(\eta_j|\mu_j)$ (as defined in Sec. 2). The tensor product of them, as a family of invertible transformations of \mathbb{W}_{\bullet} (more precisely, an automorphism of the \mathcal{O}_V -module $\mathbb{W}_{\bullet} \otimes_{\mathbb{C}} \mathcal{O}_V$), is the transition function:

$$\mathcal{U}(\eta_{\bullet})\mathcal{U}(\mu_{\bullet})^{-1} := \mathcal{U}(\eta_1|\mu_1) \otimes \dots \otimes \mathcal{U}(\eta_N|\mu_N). \quad (3.2)$$

This gives the definition of $\mathscr{W}_{\mathfrak{X}}(\mathbb{W}_{\bullet})$.

In particular, $\mathscr{W}_{\mathfrak{X}_b}(\mathbb{W}_{\bullet})$ is a vector space equivalent to \mathbb{W}_{\bullet} through $\mathcal{U}(\eta_{\bullet}|_{\mathcal{C}_b})$. It is easy to see that for each $b \in \mathcal{B}$, the restriction $\mathscr{W}_{\mathfrak{X}}(\mathbb{W}_{\bullet})|_b$ (i.e., the fiber of the vector bundle at b) is naturally equivalent to $\mathscr{W}_{\mathfrak{X}_b}(\mathbb{W}_{\bullet})$:

$$\mathscr{W}_{\mathfrak{X}}(\mathbb{W}_{\bullet})|_b \simeq \mathscr{W}_{\mathfrak{X}_b}(\mathbb{W}_{\bullet}) \quad (3.3)$$

This equivalence is uniquely determined by the fact that if we identify the two spaces, then the restriction of $\mathcal{U}(\eta_{\bullet})$ to the map $\mathscr{W}_{\mathfrak{X}_b}(\mathbb{W}_{\bullet}) \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ equals $\mathcal{U}(\eta_{\bullet}|_{\mathcal{C}_b})$.

To define conformal blocks, we first consider the case that \mathcal{B} is a single point. Then $C := \mathcal{C}$ is a compact Riemann surface. Write $\mathscr{V}_{\mathfrak{X}}$ as \mathscr{V}_C . Then we can define a linear action of $H^0(C, \mathscr{V}_C \otimes \omega_C(\star S_{\mathfrak{X}}))$ on $\mathscr{W}_{\mathfrak{X}}(\mathbb{W}_{\bullet})$ as follows. Choose any local coordinate η_i of C at the point $x_j := \varsigma_j(\mathcal{B})$, defined on a neighborhood W_j of x_j (so, in particular, $\eta_j(x_j) = 0$). Note $S_{\mathfrak{X}} = \{x_1, \dots, x_N\}$. We assume

$$W_j \cap S_{\mathfrak{X}} = \{x_j\}.$$

Note that we have a trivialization

$$\mathcal{U}_{\eta_j}(\eta_j) : \mathscr{V}_C|_{W_j} \xrightarrow{\sim} \mathbb{V} \otimes_{\mathbb{C}} \mathcal{O}_{W_j} \simeq \mathbb{V} \otimes_{\mathbb{C}} \mathcal{O}_{\eta_j(W_j)}$$

which, tensored by $(\eta_j^{-1})^* : \omega_{W_j} \xrightarrow{\sim} \omega_{\eta_j(W_j)}$, gives a trivialization

$$\mathcal{V}_{\eta_j}(\eta_j) : \mathscr{V}_C|_{W_j} \otimes \omega_{W_j}(\star S_{\mathfrak{X}}) \xrightarrow{\sim} \mathbb{V} \otimes_{\mathbb{C}} \omega_{\eta_j(W_j)}(\star 0)$$

Then for each $v \in H^0(C, \mathscr{V}_C \otimes \omega_C(\star S_{\mathfrak{X}}))$, we have a section $\mathcal{V}_{\eta_j}(\eta_j)v$, which is a \mathbb{V} -valued (more precisely, $\mathbb{V}^{\leq n}$ -valued for some $n \in \mathbb{N}$) holomorphic 1-form on $\eta_j(W_j)$ but possibly has poles at $\eta_j(x_j) = 0$. By taking Laurent series expansions, $\mathcal{V}_{\eta_j}(\eta_j)v$ can be regarded as an element of $\mathbb{V} \otimes \mathbb{C}((z))dz$. We then define, (notice that we have an isomorphism $\mathcal{U}(\eta_{\bullet}) : \mathscr{W}_{\mathfrak{X}}(\mathbb{W}_{\bullet}) \xrightarrow{\sim} \mathbb{W}_{\bullet}$) an action of v on $\mathscr{W}_{\mathfrak{X}}(\mathbb{W}_{\bullet})$ by

$$\mathcal{U}(\eta_{\bullet}) \cdot v \cdot \mathcal{U}(\eta_{\bullet})^{-1} w_{\bullet} = \sum_{j=1}^N w_1 \otimes \cdots \otimes \text{Res}_{z=0} Y(\mathcal{V}_{\eta_j}(\eta_j)v, z) w_j \otimes \cdots \otimes w_N$$

for each $w_{\bullet} \in \mathbb{W}_{\bullet}$, where the residue is defined as in (2.4). That this definition is independent of the choice of local coordinates η_{\bullet} follows from [FB04, Thm. 6.5.4] (see also [Gui20, Thm. 3.2]), which relies on a crucial change of variable formula (cf. [Gui20, Thm. 3.3]) proved by Huang [Hua97].

Now that we have linear action of $H^0(C, \mathscr{V}_C \otimes \omega_C(\star S_{\mathfrak{X}}))$ on $\mathscr{W}_{\mathfrak{X}}(\mathbb{W}_{\bullet})$, we say that a linear functional $\phi : \mathscr{W}_{\mathfrak{X}}(\mathbb{W}_{\bullet}) \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ is a **conformal block** (associated to \mathfrak{X} and \mathbb{W}_{\bullet}) exactly when ϕ vanishes on the vector space

$$\mathcal{J} := H^0(C, \mathscr{V}_C \otimes \omega_C(\star S_{\mathfrak{X}})) \cdot \mathscr{W}_{\mathfrak{X}}(\mathbb{W}_{\bullet})$$

where $\text{Span}_{\mathbb{C}}$ is suppressed on the right hand side. The space of conformal blocks is denoted by $\mathcal{S}_{\mathfrak{X}}^*(\mathbb{W}_{\bullet})$.

Now we come back to the general setting that \mathfrak{X} is a family of N -pointed compact Riemann surfaces. Let $\phi : \mathscr{W}_{\mathfrak{X}}(\mathbb{W}_{\bullet}) \rightarrow \mathcal{O}_{\mathcal{B}}$ be an $\mathcal{O}_{\mathcal{B}}$ -module morphism. If locally we identify $\mathscr{W}_{\mathfrak{X}}(\mathbb{W}_{\bullet})|_V$ (where V is an open subset of \mathcal{B}) with $\mathbb{W}_{\bullet} \otimes_{\mathbb{C}} \mathcal{O}_V$, then ϕ associates to each vector $w \in \mathbb{W}_{\bullet}$ (considered as the constant section $w \otimes 1 \in \mathbb{W}_{\bullet} \otimes \mathcal{O}(V)$) a holomorphic function $\phi(w)$ on U .

Definition 3.1. Let $\phi : \mathcal{W}_{\mathfrak{X}}(\mathbb{W}_{\bullet}) \rightarrow \mathcal{O}_{\mathcal{B}}$ be an $\mathcal{O}_{\mathcal{B}}$ -module morphism. For each $b \in \mathcal{B}$, regard $\phi|_b$ as the restriction of ϕ to the fiber map $\mathcal{W}_{\mathfrak{X}}(\mathbb{W}_{\bullet})|_b \simeq \mathcal{W}_{\mathfrak{X}_b}(\mathbb{W}_{\bullet}) \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$. Then, we say ϕ is a **conformal block** (over \mathcal{B} associated to \mathfrak{X} and \mathbb{W}_{\bullet}) if for each $b \in \mathcal{B}$, $\phi|_b$ is a conformal block associated to \mathfrak{X}_b (i.e., $\phi(b)$ vanishes on $H^0(\mathcal{C}_b, \mathcal{V}_{\mathcal{C}_b} \otimes \omega_{\mathcal{C}_b}(\star S_{\mathfrak{X}}|_b)) \cdot \mathcal{W}_{\mathfrak{X}_b}(\mathbb{W}_{\bullet})$).

The following proposition is [Gui20, Prop. 6.4].

Proposition 3.2. Let $\phi : \mathcal{W}_{\mathfrak{X}}(\mathbb{W}_{\bullet}) \rightarrow \mathcal{O}_{\mathcal{B}}$ be an $\mathcal{O}_{\mathcal{B}}$ -module morphism. Suppose that each connected component of \mathcal{B} contains a non-empty open subset V such that the restriction of ϕ to $\mathcal{W}_{\mathfrak{X}_V}(\mathbb{W}_{\bullet}) \rightarrow \mathcal{O}_V$ is a conformal block, then the original ϕ is a conformal block associated to \mathfrak{X} and \mathbb{W}_{\bullet} .

4 Sewing conformal blocks

Let $N, M \in \mathbb{Z}_+$. Let

$$\tilde{\mathfrak{X}} = (\tilde{\pi} : \tilde{\mathcal{C}} \rightarrow \tilde{\mathcal{B}}; \varsigma_1, \dots, \varsigma_N; \varsigma'_1, \dots, \varsigma'_M; \varsigma''_1, \dots, \varsigma''_M)$$

be a family of $(N + 2M)$ -pointed compact Riemann surfaces, assuming that every connected component of each fiber intersects one of $\varsigma_1(\tilde{\mathcal{B}}), \dots, \varsigma_N(\tilde{\mathcal{B}})$. For each $1 \leq j \leq M$, we assume $\tilde{\mathfrak{X}}$ has local coordinates ξ_j at $\varsigma'_j(\tilde{\mathcal{B}})$ defined on a neighborhood $W'_j \subset \tilde{\mathcal{C}}$ of $\varsigma'_j(\tilde{\mathcal{B}})$ and similarly ϖ_j at $\varsigma''_j(\tilde{\mathcal{B}})$ defined on a neighborhood W''_j . We assume all W'_j, W''_j ($1 \leq j \leq M$) are mutually disjoint and are also disjoint from $\varsigma_1(\tilde{\mathcal{B}}), \dots, \varsigma_N(\tilde{\mathcal{B}})$. We also assume that for each $1 \leq j \leq M$, we can choose $r_j, \rho_j > 0$ such that

$$(\xi_j, \tilde{\pi}) : W'_j \xrightarrow{\sim} \mathcal{D}_{r_j} \times \tilde{\mathcal{B}} \quad \text{resp.} \quad (\varpi_j, \tilde{\pi}) : W''_j \xrightarrow{\sim} \mathcal{D}_{\rho_j} \times \tilde{\mathcal{B}} \quad (4.1)$$

is a biholomorphic map. (Recall that \mathcal{D}_r is the open disc at $0 \in \mathbb{C}$ with radius r .)

We do not assume $\tilde{\mathfrak{X}}$ has local coordinates at $\varsigma_1(\tilde{\mathcal{B}}), \dots, \varsigma_N(\tilde{\mathcal{B}})$.

Sewing families of compact Riemann surfaces

We can **sew $\tilde{\mathfrak{X}}$ along all pairs $\varsigma'_j(\tilde{\mathcal{B}}), \varsigma''_j(\tilde{\mathcal{B}})$** to obtain a new family

$$\mathfrak{X} = (\pi : \mathcal{C} \rightarrow \mathcal{B}; \varsigma_1, \dots, \varsigma_N) \quad (4.2)$$

of compact Riemann surfaces. Here,

$$\mathcal{B} = \mathcal{D}_{r, \rho_{\bullet}}^{\times} \times \tilde{\mathcal{B}}, \quad \mathcal{D}_{r, \rho_{\bullet}}^{\times} = \mathcal{D}_{r_1 \rho_1}^{\times} \times \dots \times \mathcal{D}_{r_M \rho_M}^{\times}.$$

\mathfrak{X} is described as follows.

For each $b \in \tilde{\mathcal{B}}$, $\mathcal{C}_{(q_{\bullet}, b)}$ is obtained by choosing $\tilde{r}_j < r_j, \tilde{\rho}_j < \rho_j$ satisfying $\tilde{r}_j \tilde{\rho}_j = |q_j|$, removing for each j a closed disc in W'_j (resp. in W''_j) slightly smaller than the circle $|\xi_j| = \tilde{r}_j$ (resp. $|\varpi_j| = \tilde{\rho}_j$), and then gluing the remaining part of the Riemann surface $\tilde{\mathcal{C}}_b$ by the relation $\xi_j \varpi_j = q_j$ for all j . This construction is independent of the choice of

$\tilde{r}_j, \tilde{\rho}_j$. This procedure can be performed in a consistent way over all $b \in \tilde{\mathcal{B}}$, which gives $\pi : \mathcal{C} \rightarrow \mathcal{B}$. See for instance [Gui20, Sec. 4] for details.¹

Since $\Omega = \tilde{\mathcal{C}} \setminus \bigcup_j (W'_j \cup W''_j)$ is not affected when gluing, $\mathcal{D}_{r,\rho_\bullet}^\times \times \Omega$ can be viewed as a subset of \mathfrak{X} , and the restriction of π to this set is $\mathcal{D}_{r,\rho_\bullet}^\times \times \Omega \xrightarrow{1 \otimes \tilde{\pi}} \mathcal{D}_{r,\rho_\bullet}^\times \times \tilde{\mathcal{B}} = \mathcal{B}$. Thus, for each $1 \leq i \leq N$ the section ς_i for $\tilde{\mathfrak{X}}$ defines the corresponding section $1 \times \varsigma_i : \mathcal{D}_{r,\rho_\bullet}^\times \times \tilde{\mathcal{B}} \rightarrow \mathcal{D}_{r,\rho_\bullet}^\times \times \Omega$, also denoted by ς_i . A local coordinate η_i of $\tilde{\mathfrak{X}}$ at $\varsigma_i(\tilde{\mathcal{B}})$ extends constantly over $\mathcal{D}_{r,\rho_\bullet}^\times$ to a local coordinate of \mathfrak{X} at $\varsigma_i(\mathcal{B})$, also denoted by η_i .

Sewing conformal blocks

We now define sewing conformal blocks associated to $\tilde{\mathfrak{X}}$. Associate to $\varsigma_1, \dots, \varsigma_N$ \mathbb{V} -modules $\mathbb{W}_1, \dots, \mathbb{W}_N$. Then we have $\mathscr{W}_{\tilde{\mathfrak{X}}}(\mathbb{W}_\bullet)$ defined by $(\tilde{\pi} : \tilde{\mathcal{C}} \rightarrow \tilde{\mathcal{B}}; \varsigma_1, \dots, \varsigma_N)$. For each open $\tilde{V} \subset \tilde{\mathcal{B}}$, $\mathscr{W}_{\tilde{\mathfrak{X}}}(\mathbb{W}_\bullet)(\tilde{V})$ can be identified canonically with a subspace of $\mathscr{W}_{\mathfrak{X}}(\mathbb{W}_\bullet)(\mathcal{D}_{r,\rho_\bullet}^\times \times \tilde{V})$ consisting of sections of the latter which are constant with respect to sewing. More precisely, this identification is compatible with restrictions to open subsets of \tilde{V} ; moreover, if \tilde{V} is small enough such that $\tilde{\mathfrak{X}}|_{\tilde{V}}$ has local coordinates η_1, \dots, η_N at $\varsigma_1(\tilde{V}), \dots, \varsigma_N(\tilde{V})$ which give rise to η_1, \dots, η_N of $\mathfrak{X}|_{\mathcal{D}_{r,\rho_\bullet}^\times \times \tilde{V}}$ at $\varsigma_1(\mathcal{D}_{r,\rho_\bullet}^\times \times \tilde{V}), \dots, \varsigma_N(\mathcal{D}_{r,\rho_\bullet}^\times \times \tilde{V})$ (which are constant over $\mathcal{D}_{r,\rho_\bullet}^\times$), then the following diagram commutes:

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \mathscr{W}_{\tilde{\mathfrak{X}}}(\mathbb{W}_\bullet)(\tilde{V}) & \hookrightarrow & \mathscr{W}_{\mathfrak{X}}(\mathbb{W}_\bullet)(\mathcal{D}_{r,\rho_\bullet}^\times \times \tilde{V}) \\ \downarrow \simeq \mathcal{U}(\eta_\bullet) & & \mathcal{U}(\eta_\bullet) \downarrow \simeq \\ \mathbb{W}_\bullet \otimes_{\mathbb{C}} \mathcal{O}(\tilde{V}) & \hookrightarrow & \mathbb{W}_\bullet \otimes_{\mathbb{C}} \mathcal{O}(\mathcal{D}_{r,\rho_\bullet}^\times \times \tilde{V}) \end{array} \quad (4.3)$$

where the bottom horizontal line is defined by pulling back the projection $\mathcal{D}_{r,\rho_\bullet}^\times \times \tilde{V} \rightarrow \tilde{V}$.

Associate to $\varsigma'_1, \dots, \varsigma'_M$ \mathbb{V} -modules $\mathbb{M}_1, \dots, \mathbb{M}_M$, whose contragredient modules $\mathbb{M}'_1, \dots, \mathbb{M}'_M$ are associated to $\varsigma''_1, \dots, \varsigma''_M$. We understand $\mathbb{W}_\bullet \otimes \mathbb{M}_\bullet \otimes \mathbb{M}'_\bullet$ as

$$\mathbb{W}_1 \otimes \dots \otimes \mathbb{W}_N \otimes \mathbb{M}_1 \otimes \mathbb{M}'_1 \otimes \dots \otimes \mathbb{M}_M \otimes \mathbb{M}'_M,$$

where the order has been changed so that each \mathbb{M}'_j is next to \mathbb{M}_j . We can then identify

$$\mathscr{W}_{\tilde{\mathfrak{X}}}(\mathbb{W}_\bullet \otimes \mathbb{M}_\bullet \otimes \mathbb{M}'_\bullet) = \mathscr{W}_{\tilde{\mathfrak{X}}}(\mathbb{W}_\bullet) \otimes_{\mathbb{C}} \mathbb{M}_\bullet \otimes \mathbb{M}'_\bullet \quad (4.4)$$

such that whenever $\tilde{V} \subset \tilde{\mathcal{B}}$ is open such that $\tilde{\mathfrak{X}}|_{\tilde{V}}$ has local coordinates η_1, \dots, η_N at

¹Indeed, one can extend \mathfrak{X} to a slightly larger flat family of complex curves (with at worst nodal singularities) with base manifold $\mathcal{D}_{r,\rho_\bullet}^\times \times \tilde{\mathcal{B}}$ (cf. for instance [Gui20, Sec. 4]).

$s_1(\tilde{V}), \dots, s_N(\tilde{V})$ as before, the following diagram commutes:

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
\mathcal{W}_{\tilde{\mathfrak{X}}}(\mathbb{W}_{\bullet} \otimes \mathbb{M}_{\bullet} \otimes \mathbb{M}'_{\bullet})|_{\tilde{V}} & \xleftarrow{=} & \mathcal{W}_{\tilde{\mathfrak{X}}}(\mathbb{W}_{\bullet})|_{\tilde{V}} \otimes_{\mathbb{C}} \mathbb{M}_{\bullet} \otimes \mathbb{M}'_{\bullet} \\
& \searrow \mathcal{U}(\eta_{\bullet}, \xi_{\bullet}, \varpi_{\bullet}) \simeq & \swarrow \mathcal{U}(\eta_{\bullet}) \otimes 1 \simeq \\
& & \mathbb{W}_{\bullet} \otimes \mathbb{M}_{\bullet} \otimes \mathbb{M}'_{\bullet} \otimes_{\mathbb{C}} \mathcal{O}_{\tilde{V}}
\end{array} \tag{4.5}$$

We define

$$q_j^{\tilde{L}_0} \blacktriangleright \otimes_{j \blacktriangleleft} = \sum_{n \in \mathbb{N}} q_j^n \sum_{a \in \mathfrak{A}_{j,n}} m(n, a) \otimes \tilde{m}(n, a) \in (\mathbb{M}_j \otimes \mathbb{M}'_j)[[q_j]]$$

where for each $n \in \mathbb{N}, s \in \mathbb{C}$, $\{m(n, a) : a \in \mathfrak{A}_{j,n}\}$ is a basis of $\mathbb{W}(n)$ with dual basis $\{\tilde{m}(n, a) : a \in \mathfrak{A}_{j,n}\}$ in $\mathbb{W}'(n)$.

Now, for any conformal block $\psi : \mathcal{W}_{\tilde{\mathfrak{X}}}(\mathbb{W}_{\bullet} \otimes \mathbb{M}_{\bullet} \otimes \mathbb{M}'_{\bullet}) \rightarrow \mathcal{O}_{\tilde{\mathcal{B}}}$ associated to the family $\tilde{\mathfrak{X}}$ and $\mathbb{W}_{\bullet} \otimes \mathbb{M}_{\bullet} \otimes \mathbb{M}'_{\bullet}$, we define $\mathcal{O}_{\tilde{\mathcal{B}}}$ -module morphisms

$$\tilde{\mathcal{S}}\psi : \mathcal{W}_{\tilde{\mathfrak{X}}}(\mathbb{W}_{\bullet}) \rightarrow \mathcal{O}_{\tilde{\mathcal{B}}}[[q_1, \dots, q_M]]$$

by sending each section w over an open $\tilde{V} \subset \tilde{\mathcal{B}}$ to

$$\tilde{\mathcal{S}}\psi(w) = \psi\left(w \otimes (q_1^{\tilde{L}_0} \blacktriangleright \otimes_{1 \blacktriangleleft}) \otimes \dots \otimes (q_M^{\tilde{L}_0} \blacktriangleright \otimes_{M \blacktriangleleft})\right) \in \mathcal{O}(\tilde{V})[[q_1, \dots, q_M]]. \tag{4.6}$$

The identification (4.4) is used in this definition. $\tilde{\mathcal{S}}\psi$ is called the (normalized) **sewing** of ψ .

Definition 4.1. Let X be a complex manifold. Consider an element

$$f = \sum_{n_1, \dots, n_M \in \mathbb{C}} f_{n_1, \dots, n_M} q_1^{n_1} \dots q_M^{n_M} \in \mathcal{O}(X)\{q_1, \dots, q_M\}$$

where each $f_{n_1, \dots, n_M} \in \mathcal{O}(X)$. Let $R_1, \dots, R_M \in [0, +\infty]$ and $\mathcal{D}_{R_{\bullet}}^{\times} = \mathcal{D}_{R_1}^{\times} \times \dots \times \mathcal{D}_{R_M}^{\times}$. For any locally compact subset Ω of $\mathcal{D}_{R_{\bullet}}^{\times} \times X$, we say that formal series f **converges absolutely and locally uniformly (a.l.u.) on Ω** , if for any compact subsets $K \subset \Omega$, we have

$$\sup_{(q_{\bullet}, x) \in K} \sum_{n_1, \dots, n_M \in \mathbb{C}} |f_{n_1, \dots, n_M}(x) q_1^{n_1} \dots q_M^{n_M}| < +\infty.$$

In the case that $f \in \mathcal{O}(X)[[q_1^{\pm 1}, \dots, q_M^{\pm 1}]]$, it is clear from complex analysis that f converges a.l.u. on $\mathcal{D}_{R_{\bullet}}^{\times} \times X$ if and only if f is the Laurent series expansion of an element (also denoted by f) of $\mathcal{O}(\mathcal{D}_{R_{\bullet}}^{\times} \times X)$.

Definition 4.2. We say that $\tilde{\mathcal{S}}\psi$ **converges a.l.u. (on $\mathcal{B} = \mathcal{D}_{r_{\bullet}, \rho_{\bullet}}^{\times} \times \tilde{\mathcal{B}}$)**, if for any open subset $\tilde{V} \subset \tilde{\mathcal{B}}$ and any section w of $\mathcal{W}_{\tilde{\mathfrak{X}}}(\mathbb{W}_{\bullet})(\tilde{V})$, $\tilde{\mathcal{S}}\psi(w)$ converges a.l.u. on $\mathcal{D}_{r_{\bullet}, \rho_{\bullet}}^{\times} \times \tilde{V}$.

Theorem 4.3 ([Gui20], Thm. 11.2). *If $\tilde{S}\psi$ converges a.l.u. on $\mathcal{B} = \mathcal{D}_{r,\rho}^\times \times \tilde{\mathcal{B}}$, then $\tilde{S}\psi$ (resp. $S\psi$), when extended $\mathcal{O}_{\mathcal{B}}$ -linearly to an $\mathcal{O}_{\mathcal{B}}$ -module homomorphism $\mathcal{W}_{\tilde{\mathcal{X}}}(\mathbb{W}_\bullet) \rightarrow \mathcal{O}_{\mathcal{B}}$ using the inclusion $\mathcal{W}_{\tilde{\mathcal{X}}}(\mathbb{W}_\bullet) \subset \mathcal{W}_{\tilde{\mathcal{X}}}(\mathbb{W}_\bullet)$ defined by (4.3), is a conformal block associated to $\tilde{\mathcal{X}}$ and \mathbb{W}_\bullet .*

Example 4.4. Let $\mathfrak{Y} = (C; x_1, \dots, x_N)$ be an N -pointed compact Riemann surface with local coordinates η_1, \dots, η_N at x_1, \dots, x_N , defined on neighborhoods W_1, \dots, W_N satisfying $W_j \cap \{x_1, \dots, x_N\} = x_j$ for each $1 \leq j \leq N$. Assume $\eta_1(W_1) = \mathcal{D}_r$ for some $r > 0$. Let z be the standard coordinate of \mathbb{C} . Let $\tilde{\mathcal{X}}$ be the disjoint union of \mathfrak{Y} and $(\mathbb{P}^1; 0, 1, \infty)$, namely, we have an $(N + 3)$ -pointed compact Riemann surface

$$\tilde{\mathcal{X}} = (C \sqcup \mathbb{P}^1; x_1, \dots, x_N, 0, 1, \infty).$$

We equip $\tilde{\mathcal{X}}$ with local coordinates $\eta_1, \dots, \eta_N, z, (z - 1), z^{-1}$. The local coordinate z at 0 should be defined at $|z| < 1$ so that no marked points other than 0 is inside this region.

We sew $\tilde{\mathcal{X}}$ along x_1 and ∞ using the chosen local coordinates η_1 and $1/z$ to obtain a family \mathfrak{X} . Then

$$\mathfrak{X} = (\pi : C \times \mathcal{D}_r^\times \rightarrow \mathcal{D}_r^\times; x_1, x_2, \dots, x_N, \varsigma)$$

where π is the projection onto the \mathcal{D}_r^\times -component, the sections x_1, \dots, x_N are (rigorously speaking) sections sending q to $(x_1, q), \dots, (x_N, q)$. The section ς is defined by $\varsigma(q) = (\eta_1^{-1}(q), q)$, where η_1^{-1} sends \mathcal{D}_r biholomorphically to W_1 . Moreover, the local coordinates of \mathfrak{X} defined naturally by those of $\tilde{\mathcal{X}}$ are described as follows: For each $|q| < r$, their restrictions to

$$\mathfrak{X}_q = (C; x_1, x_2, \dots, x_N, \eta_1^{-1}(q)) \quad (4.7)$$

are $q^{-1}\eta_1, \eta_2, \dots, \eta_N, q^{-1}(\eta_1 - q)$.

Attach \mathbb{V} -modules $\mathbb{W}_1, \dots, \mathbb{W}_N, \mathbb{W}_1, \mathbb{V}, \mathbb{W}'_1$ with simple L_0 -grading to the marked points $x_1, \dots, x_N, 0, 1, \infty$ respectively of $\tilde{\mathcal{X}}$. Fix trivializations using the chosen local coordinates. Let $\phi : \mathbb{W}_1 \otimes \dots \otimes \mathbb{W}_N \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ be a conformal block associated to $(C; x_1, \dots, x_N)$ and $\mathbb{W}_1, \dots, \mathbb{W}_N$. Let

$$\begin{aligned} \omega : \mathbb{W}_1 \otimes \mathbb{V} \otimes \mathbb{W}'_1 &\rightarrow \mathbb{C}, \\ w \otimes u \otimes w' &\mapsto \langle Y(u, 1)w, w' \rangle = \sum_{n \in \mathbb{Z}} \langle Y(u)_n w, w' \rangle, \end{aligned}$$

which is a conformal block associated to $(\mathbb{P}^1; 0, 1, \infty)$ and $\mathbb{W}_1, \mathbb{V}, \mathbb{W}'_1$. Then $\psi := \phi \otimes \omega$ is a conformal block for \mathfrak{X} . Note that when u, w are \tilde{L}_0 -homogeneous (i.e. eigenvectors of \tilde{L}_0) with eigenvalues (weights) $\widetilde{\text{wt}}(u), \widetilde{\text{wt}}(w) \in \mathbb{N}$ respectively, by (2.1), $Y(u)_n w$ is \tilde{L}_0 -homogeneous with weight $\widetilde{\text{wt}}(u) + \widetilde{\text{wt}}(w) - n - 1$. Then

$$\begin{aligned} \tilde{S}\psi : \mathbb{W}_1 \otimes \dots \otimes \mathbb{W}_N \otimes \mathbb{V} &\rightarrow \mathbb{C}[[q]] \\ \tilde{S}\psi(w_1 \otimes \dots \otimes w_N \otimes u) &= \sum_{n \in \mathbb{Z}} q^{\widetilde{\text{wt}}(u) + \widetilde{\text{wt}}(w) - n - 1} \cdot \psi(Y(u)_n w_1 \otimes w_2 \otimes \dots \otimes w_N) \end{aligned} \quad (4.8)$$

when u, w are \tilde{L}_0 -homogeneous.

From [FB04, Sec. 10.1] (or more generally, from the proof of the existence of $\imath\phi$ of our Thm. 6.1), this series, and hence also $\mathcal{S}\psi$, converge a.l.u. on \mathcal{D}_r^\times (i.e. when $0 < |q| < r$). Then, by Theorem 4.3, for each $0 < |q| < r$, (4.8) converges to a conformal block associated to \mathfrak{X}_q and the local coordinates mentioned after (4.7). If we change the coordinates at x_1 and $\eta_1^{-1}(q)$ to η_1 and $\eta_1 - q$ respectively, then in the formula (4.8), u and w_1 should be multiplied both by $q^{-\tilde{L}_0}$. Under the trivialization given by the new coordinates, $\tilde{\mathcal{S}}\psi(w_1 \otimes \cdots \otimes w_N \otimes u)$ equals

$$\psi(Y(u, q)w_1 \otimes w_2 \otimes \cdots \otimes w_N) := \sum_{n \in \mathbb{Z}} q^{-n-1} \cdot \psi(Y(u)_n w_1 \otimes w_2 \otimes \cdots \otimes w_N). \quad (4.9)$$

We conclude that (once the a.l.u. convergence is established) for all $0 < |q| < r$, (4.9) is a conformal block associated to \mathfrak{X}_q , local coordinates $\eta_1, \eta_2, \dots, \eta_N, \eta_1 - q$, and modules $\mathbb{W}_1, \dots, \mathbb{W}_N, \mathbb{V}$.

5 An equivalence of sheaves

Recall $\imath\mathfrak{X} = (\imath\pi : \imath\mathcal{C} \rightarrow \imath\mathcal{B}; \sigma, \imath\varsigma_1, \dots, \imath\varsigma_N)$ in (1.2). In particular, $\imath\mathcal{C} = \mathcal{C} \times_{\mathcal{B}} (\mathcal{C} \setminus S_{\mathfrak{X}})$, $\imath\mathcal{B} = \mathcal{C} \setminus S_{\mathfrak{X}}$. The goal of this section is to establish a canonical isomorphism

$$\mathcal{W}_{\imath\mathfrak{X}}(\mathbb{V} \otimes \mathbb{W}_\bullet) \simeq \mathcal{V}_{\mathfrak{X}} \otimes \pi^* \mathcal{W}_{\mathfrak{X}}(\mathbb{W}_\bullet)|_{\mathcal{C} \setminus S_{\mathfrak{X}}},$$

which relates the sheaves of VOAs with the \mathcal{W} -sheaves.

Note that $\pi^* \mathcal{W}_{\mathfrak{X}}(\mathbb{W}_\bullet)$ is the pullback sheaf $\mathcal{W}_{\mathfrak{X}}(\mathbb{W}_\bullet) \otimes_{\mathcal{O}_{\mathcal{B}}} \mathcal{O}_{\mathcal{C}}$. This is the sheaf for the presheaf associating to each open $U \subset \mathcal{C}$ the $\mathcal{O}(U)$ -module $\mathcal{W}_{\mathfrak{X}}(\mathbb{W}_\bullet)(\pi(U)) \otimes_{\mathcal{O}(\pi(U))} \mathcal{O}(U)$. (Note that π is an open map.) Assume the restriction $\mathfrak{X}_{\pi(U)}$ has local coordinates η_1, \dots, η_N at $\varsigma_1(\pi(U)), \dots, \varsigma_N(\pi(U))$. We write

$$\pi^* w := w \otimes 1 \in \mathcal{W}_{\mathfrak{X}}(\mathbb{W}_\bullet) \otimes_{\mathcal{B}} \mathcal{O}_{\mathcal{C}} = \pi^* \mathcal{W}_{\mathfrak{X}}(\mathbb{W}_\bullet)$$

for any section $w \in \mathcal{W}_{\mathfrak{X}}(\mathbb{W}_\bullet)$. Sheafifying the tensor product $\mathcal{U}(\eta_\bullet) \otimes 1$ on the presheaf provides an isomorphism of $\mathcal{O}_{\mathcal{C}}$ -modules

$$\pi^* \mathcal{U}(\eta_\bullet) \equiv \mathcal{U}(\eta_\bullet) \otimes 1 : \mathcal{W}_{\mathfrak{X}}(\mathbb{W}_\bullet)|_U \otimes_{\mathcal{O}_{\pi(U)}} \mathcal{O}_U \xrightarrow{\sim} (\mathbb{W}_\bullet \otimes_{\mathcal{C}} \mathcal{O}_{\pi(U)}) \otimes_{\mathcal{O}_{\pi(U)}} \mathcal{O}_U \quad (5.1)$$

or simply a trivialization

$$\pi^* \mathcal{U}(\eta_\bullet) : \pi^* \mathcal{W}_{\mathfrak{X}}(\mathbb{W}_\bullet)|_U \xrightarrow{\sim} \mathbb{W}_\bullet \otimes_{\mathcal{C}} \mathcal{O}_U. \quad (5.2)$$

Choose $\mu \in \mathcal{O}(U)$ injective on each fiber of U . Then we have a trivialization

$$\boxed{\mathcal{U}_\mu(\mu) \otimes \pi^* \mathcal{U}(\eta_\bullet) : \mathcal{V}_{\mathfrak{X}} \otimes \pi^* \mathcal{W}_{\mathfrak{X}}(\mathbb{W}_\bullet)|_U \xrightarrow{\sim} \mathbb{V} \otimes \mathbb{W}_\bullet \otimes_{\mathcal{C}} \mathcal{O}_U} \quad (5.3)$$

Now assume $U \subset \mathcal{C} \setminus S_{\mathfrak{X}} = \imath\mathcal{B}$. Then we can equip the family $\imath\mathfrak{X}_U$ with local coordinates as follows. For the local coordinate at each submanifold $\imath\varsigma_j(U)$ of $\imath\mathcal{C}_U = \imath\mathcal{C} \cap \imath\pi^{-1}(U)$, we choose η_j defined by

$$\imath\eta_j(x, y) = \eta_j(x) \quad (5.4)$$

whenever $(x, y) \in \mathcal{C} \times_{\mathcal{B}} \mathcal{C} \setminus S_{\mathfrak{X}}$ makes the above definable. The local coordinate at $\sigma(U)$ is $\Delta\mu$ given by

$$\Delta\mu(x, y) = \mu(x) - \mu(y) \quad (5.5)$$

when $(x, y) \in U \times_{\mathcal{B}} U$. (Recall that σ is the diagonal map.) We can then use $\Delta\mu, \imath\eta_{\bullet} = (\imath\eta_1, \dots, \imath\eta_N)$ to obtain a trivialization

$$\boxed{\mathcal{U}(\Delta\mu, \imath\eta_{\bullet}) : \mathcal{W}_{\imath\mathfrak{X}}(\mathbb{V} \otimes \mathbb{W}_{\bullet})|_U \xrightarrow{\simeq} \mathbb{V} \otimes \mathbb{W}_{\bullet} \otimes_{\mathbb{C}} \mathcal{O}_U} \quad (5.6)$$

We shall relate the two trivializations. First, we need a lemma. Recall $U \subset \mathcal{C} \setminus S_{\mathfrak{X}}$. Recall (2.5) and (3.1).

Lemma 5.1. *Suppose η'_1, \dots, η'_N are local coordinates of $\mathfrak{X}_{\pi(U)}$ at $\varsigma_1(\pi(U)), \dots, \varsigma_N(\pi_U)$ respectively, and $\mu' \in \mathcal{O}(U)$ is injective on each fiber of U . Then, for each $x \in U$, we have*

$$(\imath\eta_j | \imath\eta'_j)_x = (\eta_j | \eta'_j)_{\pi(x)}, \quad (\Delta\mu | \Delta\mu')_x = \varrho(\mu | \mu')_x.$$

Note that $(\imath\eta_j | \imath\eta'_j)$ is a family of transformations over $U \subset \mathcal{B} = \mathcal{C} \setminus S_{\mathfrak{X}}$, and the transformation over the point x is $(\imath\eta_j | \imath\eta'_j)_x$. $(\Delta\mu | \Delta\mu')_x$ is understood in a similar way.

Proof. We identify $\imath\mathcal{C}_x$ with $\mathcal{C}_{\pi(x)}$ by identifying $(y, x) \in \mathcal{C} \times_{\mathcal{B}} \mathcal{C} \setminus S_{\mathfrak{X}}$ with $y \in \mathcal{C}_{\pi(x)}$. Then, from the definition of $\imath\eta_j, \imath\eta'_j$, we clearly have $\imath\eta_j|_{\imath\mathcal{C}_x} = \eta_j|_{\mathcal{C}_{\pi(x)}}$ and $\imath\eta'_j|_{\imath\mathcal{C}_x} = \eta'_j|_{\mathcal{C}_{\pi(x)}}$. By (3.1), we have

$$\begin{aligned} (\imath\eta_j | \imath\eta'_j)_x \circ \imath\eta'_j|_{\imath\mathcal{C}_x} &= \imath\eta_j|_{\imath\mathcal{C}_x}, \\ (\eta_j | \eta'_j)_{\pi(x)} \circ \eta'_j|_{\mathcal{C}_{\pi(x)}} &= \eta_j|_{\mathcal{C}_{\pi(x)}}. \end{aligned}$$

This proves $(\imath\eta_j | \imath\eta'_j)_x = (\eta_j | \eta'_j)_{\pi(x)}$.

Similarly,

$$(\Delta\mu | \Delta\mu')_x \circ \Delta\mu'|_{\imath\mathcal{C}_x} = \Delta\mu|_{\imath\mathcal{C}_x}.$$

By (5.5), we have $\Delta\mu|_{\imath\mathcal{C}_x} = (\mu - \mu(x))|_{\mathcal{C}_{\pi(x)}}$ and $\Delta\mu'|_{\imath\mathcal{C}_x} = (\mu' - \mu'(x))|_{\mathcal{C}_{\pi(x)}}$. These imply

$$(\Delta\mu | \Delta\mu')_x \circ (\mu' - \mu'(x))|_{\mathcal{C}_{\pi(x)}} = (\mu - \mu(x))|_{\mathcal{C}_{\pi(x)}}.$$

Comparing this relation with (2.5) shows that $(\Delta\mu | \Delta\mu')_x = \varrho(\mu | \mu')_x$. \square

Proposition 5.2. *We have a unique isomorphism*

$$\Psi_{\mathfrak{X}} : \mathcal{W}_{\imath\mathfrak{X}}(\mathbb{V} \otimes \mathbb{W}_{\bullet}) \xrightarrow{\simeq} \mathcal{V}_{\mathfrak{X}} \otimes \pi^* \mathcal{W}_{\mathfrak{X}}(\mathbb{W}_{\bullet})|_{\mathcal{C} \setminus S_{\mathfrak{X}}} \quad (5.7)$$

such that for any open $U \subset \mathcal{C} \setminus S_{\mathfrak{X}}$ and $\mu, \Delta\mu, \imath\eta_{\bullet}$ as above, the restriction of this isomorphism to U makes the following diagram commutes.

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \mathcal{W}_{\imath\mathfrak{X}}(\mathbb{V} \otimes \mathbb{W}_{\bullet})|_U & \xrightarrow[\simeq]{\Psi_{\mathfrak{X}}} & \mathcal{V}_{\mathfrak{X}} \otimes \pi^* \mathcal{W}_{\mathfrak{X}}(\mathbb{W}_{\bullet})|_U \\ & \searrow \mathcal{U}(\Delta\mu, \imath\eta_{\bullet}) \quad \mathcal{U}_{\varrho}(\mu) \otimes \pi^* \mathcal{U}(\eta_{\bullet}) \quad \swarrow & \\ & \mathbb{V} \otimes \mathbb{W}_{\bullet} \otimes_{\mathbb{C}} \mathcal{O}_U & \end{array} \quad (5.8)$$

Proof. One can define the isomorphism $\Psi_{\mathfrak{X}}$ such that the above diagram commutes. Such isomorphism is clearly unique. Thus, it remains to check that $\Psi_{\mathfrak{X}}$ is well-defined. We will do so by checking that the transition functions of the two sheaves agree.

Assume U is small enough such that we can have another set of μ', η'_\bullet similar to μ, η_\bullet . Then by (3.2) and Lemma 5.1, for each $x \in U$, we have equalities

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{U}(\Delta\mu, \wr\eta_\bullet)_x \cdot \mathcal{U}(\Delta\mu', \wr\eta'_\bullet)_x^{-1} &= \mathcal{U}(\Delta\mu|\Delta\mu')_x \otimes \mathcal{U}(\wr\eta_1|\wr\eta'_1)_x \otimes \cdots \otimes \mathcal{U}(\wr\eta_N|\wr\eta'_N)_x \\ &= \mathcal{U}(\varrho(\mu|\mu')_x) \otimes \mathcal{U}(\eta_1|\eta'_1)_{\pi(x)} \otimes \cdots \otimes \mathcal{U}(\eta_N|\eta'_N)_{\pi(x)} \end{aligned} \quad (5.9)$$

for transformations on $\mathbb{V} \otimes \mathbb{W}_\bullet \otimes_{\mathbb{C}} \mathcal{O}_U|_x \simeq \mathbb{V} \otimes \mathbb{W}_\bullet$.

By (3.2) and (5.1), we have

$$(\pi^*\mathcal{U}(\eta_\bullet))_x \cdot (\pi^*\mathcal{U}(\eta'_\bullet))_x^{-1} = \mathcal{U}(\eta_1|\eta'_1)_{\pi(x)} \otimes \cdots \otimes \mathcal{U}(\eta_N|\eta'_N)_{\pi(x)} \quad (5.10)$$

for automorphisms of $\mathbb{W}_\bullet \otimes_{\mathbb{C}} \mathcal{O}_U|_x \simeq \mathbb{W}_\bullet$. Thus, by (3.2) and (2.7),

$$\begin{aligned} (\mathcal{U}_\varrho(\mu) \otimes \pi^*\mathcal{U}(\eta_\bullet))_x \cdot (\mathcal{U}_\varrho(\mu') \otimes \pi^*\mathcal{U}(\eta'_\bullet))_x^{-1} \\ = \mathcal{U}(\varrho(\mu|\mu')_x) \otimes \mathcal{U}(\eta_1|\eta'_1)_{\pi(x)} \otimes \cdots \otimes \mathcal{U}(\eta_N|\eta'_N)_{\pi(x)}, \end{aligned}$$

which equals (5.9). \square

6 Propagation of conformal blocks

Let $\phi : \mathcal{W}_{\mathfrak{X}}(\mathbb{W}_\bullet) \rightarrow \mathcal{O}_{\mathcal{B}}$ be a conformal block associated to $\mathbb{W}_\bullet = \mathbb{W}_1 \otimes \cdots \otimes \mathbb{W}_N$ and a family \mathfrak{X} of N -pointed compact Riemann surfaces. Recall $\mathcal{C} = \mathcal{C} \times_{\mathcal{B}} (\mathcal{C} \setminus S_{\mathfrak{X}})$, $\wr\mathcal{B} = \mathcal{C} \setminus S_{\mathfrak{X}}$. The goal of this section is to prove:

Theorem 6.1. *There is a unique $\mathcal{O}_{\mathcal{C} \setminus S_{\mathfrak{X}}}$ -module morphism $\wr\phi : \mathcal{W}_{\mathfrak{X}}(\mathbb{V} \otimes \mathbb{W}_\bullet) \rightarrow \mathcal{O}_{\mathcal{C} \setminus S_{\mathfrak{X}}}$ satisfying the following property:*

"Choose any open subset $V \subset \mathcal{B}$ such that the restricted family \mathfrak{X}_V has local coordinates η_1, \dots, η_N at $\varsigma_j(V)$. For each j , we choose a neighborhood $W_j \subset \mathcal{C}_V$ of $\varsigma_j(V)$ on which η_j is defined, such that any one of $\varsigma_1(V), \dots, \varsigma_N(V)$ other than $\varsigma_j(V)$ does not intersect W_j . Identify

$$W_j = (\eta_j, \pi)(W_j)$$

via (η_j, π) so that W_j is a neighborhood of $\{0\} \times V$ in $\mathbb{C} \times V$. Let

$$U_j := W_j \setminus S_{\mathfrak{X}} = W_j \setminus (\{0\} \times V)$$

which is inside $\mathbb{C}^\times \times V$. Let z be the standard coordinate of \mathbb{C} . Identify

$$\mathcal{W}_{\mathfrak{X}}(\mathbb{W}_\bullet)|_V = \mathbb{W}_\bullet \otimes_{\mathbb{C}} \mathcal{O}_V$$

through $\mathcal{U}(\eta_\bullet)$. Identify

$$\mathcal{W}_{\mathfrak{X}}(\mathbb{V} \otimes \mathbb{W}_\bullet)|_{U_j} = \mathbb{V} \otimes \mathbb{W}_\bullet \otimes_{\mathbb{C}} \mathcal{O}_{U_j} \quad (6.1)$$

through $\mathcal{U}(\triangle\eta_j, \imath\eta_\bullet)$ (cf. (5.6)). For each $u \in \mathbb{V}, w_\bullet \in \mathbb{W}_\bullet$, consider each vector of \mathbb{W}_\bullet as a constant section of $\mathbb{W}_\bullet \otimes \mathcal{O}(U_j)$ and $u \otimes w_\bullet$ as a constant section of $\mathbb{V} \otimes \mathbb{W}_\bullet \otimes_{\mathbb{C}} \mathcal{O}(U_j)$. Then the following equation holds on the level of $\mathcal{O}(V)[[z^{\pm 1}]]$:

$$\boxed{\phi(w_1 \otimes \cdots \otimes Y(u, z)w_j \otimes \cdots \otimes w_N) = \imath\phi(u \otimes w_\bullet)} \quad (6.2)$$

where $Y(u, z)w := \sum_{n \in \mathbb{Z}} Y(u)_n w \cdot z^{-n-1}$ is an element of $\mathbb{W}_j((z))$, and $\imath\phi(u \otimes w_\bullet) \in \mathcal{O}(U_j)$ is regarded as an element of $\mathcal{O}(V)[[z^{\pm 1}]]$ by taking Laurent series expansion."

Moreover, $\imath\phi$ is a conformal block associated to $\imath\mathfrak{X}$ and $\mathbb{V} \otimes \mathbb{W}_\bullet$.

Note that the left hand side of (6.2) is understood as

$$\sum_{n \in \mathbb{Z}} \phi(w_1 \otimes \cdots \otimes Y(u)_n w_j \otimes \cdots \otimes w_N) z^{-n-1},$$

which is in $\mathcal{O}(U_j)((z))$.

Proof of the uniqueness of $\imath\phi$. It suffices to restrict to the propagation of each fiber \mathfrak{X}_b , i.e., restrict $\imath\phi$ to a morphism $\phi|_{\imath(\mathfrak{X}_b)} : \mathcal{W}_{\imath(\mathfrak{X}_b)}(\mathbb{V} \otimes \mathbb{W}_\bullet) \rightarrow \mathcal{O}_{\mathcal{C}_b \setminus S_{\mathfrak{X}_b}}$. (Note that $\imath(\mathfrak{X}_b)$ is $\mathcal{C}_b \times (\mathcal{C}_b \setminus S_{\mathfrak{X}_b}) \rightarrow \mathcal{C}_b \setminus S_{\mathfrak{X}_b}$ with marked points.) By (6.2), we know $\imath\phi|_{\imath(\mathfrak{X}_b)}$ is uniquely determined on $(W_1 \cup \cdots \cup W_N) \cap \mathcal{C}_b$. For two possible propagations $\imath_1\phi, \imath_2\phi$, let Ω be the set of all $x \in \mathcal{C}_b \setminus S_{\mathfrak{X}_b}$ on a neighborhood of which $\imath_1\phi|_{\imath(\mathfrak{X}_b)}$ agrees with $\imath_2\phi|_{\imath(\mathfrak{X}_b)}$. Then Ω is open and intersect any connected component of \mathcal{C}_b . By complex analysis, it is clear that if U is a simply-connected open subset of $\mathcal{C}_b \setminus S_{\mathfrak{X}_b}$ intersecting Ω such that the restriction $\mathcal{W}_{\imath(\mathfrak{X}_b)}(\mathbb{V} \otimes \mathbb{W}_\bullet)|_U$ is equivalent to $\mathbb{V} \otimes \mathbb{W}_\bullet \otimes_{\mathbb{C}} \mathcal{O}_U$, then $U \subset \Omega$. So Ω is closed, and hence must be $\mathcal{C}_b \setminus S_{\mathfrak{X}_b}$. This proves the uniqueness. \square

Proof of the existence of $\imath\phi$. We identify $\mathcal{W}_{\imath\mathfrak{X}}(\mathbb{V} \otimes \mathbb{W}_\bullet)$ with $\mathcal{V}_{\mathfrak{X}} \otimes \pi^* \mathcal{W}_{\mathfrak{X}}(\mathbb{W}_\bullet)|_{\mathcal{C} \setminus S_{\mathfrak{X}}}$ as in Prop. 5.2, and construct an $\mathcal{O}_{\mathcal{C} \setminus S_{\mathfrak{X}}}$ -module morphism $\imath\phi : \mathcal{V}_{\mathfrak{X}} \otimes \pi^* \mathcal{W}_{\mathfrak{X}}(\mathbb{W}_\bullet)|_{\mathcal{C} \setminus S_{\mathfrak{X}}} \rightarrow \mathcal{O}_{\mathcal{C} \setminus S_{\mathfrak{X}}}$ satisfying (6.2). By the uniqueness proved above, we can safely restrict the base manifold \mathcal{B} to V . So we assume in the following that $\mathcal{B} = V$ and hence \mathfrak{X} has local coordinates η_\bullet at marked points. So we identify $\mathcal{W}_{\mathfrak{X}(\mathbb{W}_\bullet)}$ with $\mathbb{W}_\bullet \otimes_{\mathbb{C}} \mathcal{O}_{\mathcal{B}}$ through $\mathcal{U}(\eta_\bullet)$, which yields

$$\mathcal{V}_{\mathfrak{X}} \otimes \pi^* \mathcal{W}_{\mathfrak{X}}(\mathbb{W}_\bullet) = \mathcal{V}_{\mathfrak{X}} \otimes_{\mathbb{C}} \mathbb{W}_\bullet. \quad (6.3)$$

For each $k \in \mathbb{N}$, we let

$$\mathcal{E} = (\mathcal{V}_{\mathfrak{X}}^{\leq k})^\vee.$$

Then the identifications $W_j = (\eta_j, \pi)(W_j)$ and that

$$\mathcal{V}_{\mathfrak{X}}^{\leq k}|_{W_j} = \mathbb{V}^{\leq k} \otimes_{\mathbb{C}} \mathcal{O}_{W_j} \quad (6.4)$$

(identified via $\mathcal{U}_\rho(\eta_j)$) are compatible with the identifications in Sec. A if we set the E_i in that section to be $(\mathbb{V}^{\leq k})^\vee$. Choose any $w_\bullet \in \mathbb{W}_\bullet$. Let $s_j = \sum_{n \in \mathbb{Z}} e_{j,n} \cdot z^n$ as in Sec. A where each $e_{j,n} \in (\mathbb{V}^{\leq k})^\vee \otimes_{\mathbb{C}} \mathcal{O}(\mathcal{B})$ is defined by

$$u \in \mathbb{V}^{\leq k} \mapsto \phi(w_1 \otimes \cdots \otimes Y(u)_{-n-1} w_j \otimes \cdots \otimes w_N) \in \mathcal{O}(\mathcal{B}).$$

For each $b \in \mathcal{B}$, since $\phi|_b$ is a conformal block, it vanishes on $H^0(\mathcal{C}_b, \mathcal{V}_{\mathcal{C}_b}^{\leq k} \otimes \omega_{\mathcal{C}_b}(\star S_{\mathfrak{X}_b})) \cdot w_\bullet$. This means that s_1, \dots, s_N satisfy condition (b) of Theorem A.1. Hence, by that theorem, s_1, \dots, s_N are series expansions of a unique element $s \in H^0(\mathcal{C}, (\mathcal{V}_{\mathfrak{X}}^{\leq k})^\vee(\star S_{\mathfrak{X}}))$, which restricts to $s \in H^0(\mathcal{C} \setminus S_{\mathfrak{X}}, (\mathcal{V}_{\mathfrak{X}}^{\leq k})^\vee)$ and hence defines an $\mathcal{O}_{\mathcal{C} \setminus S_{\mathfrak{X}}}$ -module morphism $\mathcal{V}_{\mathfrak{X}}^{\leq k}|_{\mathcal{C} \setminus S_{\mathfrak{X}}} \otimes_{\mathbb{C}} w_\bullet \rightarrow \mathcal{O}_{\mathcal{C} \setminus S_{\mathfrak{X}}}$. These morphisms are compatible for different k , and is extended $\mathcal{O}_{\mathcal{C} \setminus S_{\mathfrak{X}}}$ -linearly to a morphism $\imath\phi : \mathcal{V}_{\mathfrak{X}} \otimes \pi^* \mathcal{W}_{\mathfrak{X}}(\mathbb{W}_\bullet)|_{\mathcal{C} \setminus S_{\mathfrak{X}}} \rightarrow \mathcal{O}_{\mathcal{C} \setminus S_{\mathfrak{X}}}$ (recall (6.3)).

By Prop. 5.2, we can regard $\imath\phi$ as a morphism $\imath\phi : \mathcal{W}_{\mathfrak{X}}(\mathbb{V} \otimes \mathbb{W}_\bullet) \rightarrow \mathcal{O}_{\mathcal{C} \setminus S_{\mathfrak{X}}}$. Note that the identifications (6.3) and (6.4) are compatible with (6.1), thanks to the commutative diagram (5.8). Thus, $\imath\phi$ satisfies (6.2) under the required identifications. \square

Proof that $\imath\phi$ is a conformal block. It suffices to assume each \mathbb{W}_j has simple L_0 -grading. Since being a conformal block is a fiberwise condition, we may prove $\imath\phi$ is a conformal block by restricting it to each fiber \mathfrak{X}_b and its propagation $\imath(\mathfrak{X}_b)$. Therefore, we may assume that \mathcal{B} is a single point. So $\mathcal{C} := \mathcal{C}$ is a compact Riemann surface. We trim each W_j so that $\eta_j(W_j) = \mathcal{D}_{r_j}$ for some $r_j > 0$.

From the previous proof, we have a morphism $\imath\phi : \mathcal{W}_{\mathfrak{X}}(\mathbb{V} \otimes \mathbb{W}_\bullet) \rightarrow \mathcal{O}_{\mathcal{C} \setminus S_{\mathfrak{X}}}$ which, given the trivializations in the statement of Theorem 6.1, is equal to (6.2) when restricted to $W_j \setminus S_{\mathfrak{X}} = W_j \setminus \{\varsigma_j\}$. This shows that the series (6.2) converges a.l.u. on $0 < |z| < r_j$. Therefore, as explained in Example 4.4, we can use Thm. 4.3 to conclude that $\imath\phi$ is a conformal block when restricted to each W_j . By Prop. 3.2, $\imath\phi$ is globally a conformal block. \square

The proof of Thm. 6.1 is completed.

We now give an application of this theorem. Suppose \mathbb{E} is a set of vectors in a \mathbb{V} -module \mathbb{W} . We say \mathbb{E} **generates** \mathbb{W} if \mathbb{W} is spanned by vectors of the form $Y(u_1)_{n_1} \cdots Y(u_k)_{n_k} w$ where $k \in \mathbb{Z}_+$, $u_1, \dots, u_k \in \mathbb{V}$, $n_1, \dots, n_k \in \mathbb{Z}$, $w \in \mathbb{E}$.

Proposition 6.2. *Let $\mathfrak{X} = (C; x_1, \dots, x_N)$ be an N -pointed connected compact Riemann surface, where $N \geq 2$. Choose local coordinate η_j at x_j . Associate \mathbb{V} -modules $\mathbb{W}_1, \dots, \mathbb{W}_N$ to x_1, \dots, x_N . Identify $\mathcal{W}_{\mathfrak{X}}(\mathbb{W}_\bullet) = \mathbb{W}_1 \otimes \cdots \otimes \mathbb{W}_N$ via $\mathcal{U}(\eta_\bullet)$. Suppose that for each $2 \leq i \leq N$, \mathbb{E}_i is a generating subset of \mathbb{W}_i . Then any conformal block $\phi : \mathbb{W}_1 \otimes \mathbb{W}_2 \otimes \cdots \otimes \mathbb{W}_N \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ is determined by its values on $\mathbb{W}_1 \otimes \mathbb{E}_2 \otimes \cdots \otimes \mathbb{E}_N$.*

Proof. Assume ϕ vanishes on $\mathbb{W}_1 \otimes \mathbb{E}_2 \otimes \cdots \otimes \mathbb{E}_N$. We shall show that ϕ vanishes on $\mathbb{W}_1 \otimes Y(u)_n \mathbb{E}_2 \otimes \cdots \otimes \mathbb{E}_N$ for each $u \in \mathbb{V}, n \in \mathbb{Z}$. Then, repeating this result, we obtain that ϕ vanishes on $\mathbb{W}_1 \otimes \mathbb{W}_2 \otimes \mathbb{E}_3 \otimes \cdots \otimes \mathbb{E}_N$, and hence (by repeating again this procedure several times) vanishes on $\mathbb{W}_1 \otimes \mathbb{W}_2 \otimes \cdots \otimes \mathbb{W}_N$.

Identify $\mathcal{W}_{\mathfrak{X}}(\mathbb{V} \otimes \mathbb{W}_\bullet) = \mathcal{V}_{\mathfrak{X}}|_{S_{\mathfrak{X}}} \otimes_{\mathbb{C}} \mathbb{W}_\bullet$ using (5.7). Then we can consider $\imath\phi$ as a morphism $\imath\phi : \mathcal{V}_{\mathfrak{X}}|_{\mathcal{C} \setminus S_{\mathfrak{X}}} \otimes_{\mathbb{C}} \mathbb{W}_\bullet \rightarrow \mathcal{O}_{\mathcal{C} \setminus S_{\mathfrak{X}}}$. Let Ω be the open set of all $x \in \mathcal{C} \setminus S_{\mathfrak{X}}$ such that x has a neighborhood $U \subset \mathcal{C} \setminus S_{\mathfrak{X}}$ such that the restriction

$$\imath\phi|_U : \mathcal{V}_{\mathfrak{X}}|_U \otimes_{\mathbb{C}} \mathbb{W}_1 \otimes \mathbb{E}_2 \otimes \cdots \otimes \mathbb{E}_N \rightarrow \mathcal{O}_U$$

vanishes. We note that if U is connected, and if we can find an injective $\eta \in \mathcal{O}(U)$ (so that $\mathcal{V}_{\mathfrak{X}}|_U$ is trivialized to $\mathbb{V} \otimes_{\mathbb{C}} \mathcal{O}_U$), then by complex analysis, $\imath\phi|_U$ vanishes whenever $\imath\phi|_V$ vanishes for some non-empty open $V \subset U$. We conclude that if such U intersects

Ω , then U must be inside Ω . So Ω is closed. It is clear that for each $w_1 \in \mathbb{W}_1, w_2 \in \mathbb{E}_2, \dots, w_N \in \mathbb{E}_N$, the following formal series of z

$$\phi(Y(u, z)w_1 \otimes w_2 \otimes \dots \otimes w_N)$$

vanishes. Thus, by Thm. 6.1, Ω contains $W_0 \setminus \{x_0\}$ for some neighborhood W_0 of x_0 . Therefore $\Omega = C \setminus S_{\mathfrak{X}}$. By Thm. 6.1 again, we see

$$\phi(w_1 \otimes Y(u, z)w_2 \otimes \dots \otimes w_N)$$

also vanishes. This finishes the proof. \square

Remark 6.3. Since $\mathbf{1}$ generates \mathbb{V} , we see that if $\mathbb{V}, \mathbb{W}_2, \dots, \mathbb{W}_N$ (where $N \geq 2$) are associated to a connected $\mathfrak{X} = (C; x_1, \dots, x_N)$, then any conformal block $\phi : \mathbb{V} \otimes \mathbb{W}_2 \otimes \dots \otimes \mathbb{W}_N \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ is determined by its values on $\mathbf{1} \otimes \mathbb{W}_2 \otimes \dots \otimes \mathbb{W}_N$. This proves the following two well-known results.

Corollary 6.4. *Let $\mathfrak{X} = (C; x_1, \dots, x_N)$ be an N -pointed compact Riemann surface associated with \mathbb{V} -module $\mathbb{W}_1, \dots, \mathbb{W}_N$. Identify $\mathcal{W}_{\mathfrak{X}}(\mathbb{V} \otimes \mathbb{W}_{\bullet}) = \mathcal{V}_{\mathfrak{X}}|_{C \setminus S_{\mathfrak{X}}} \otimes_{\mathbb{C}} \mathcal{W}_{\mathfrak{X}}(\mathbb{W}_{\bullet})$ through (5.7). Then for each $x \in C \setminus S_{\mathfrak{X}}$, $\imath\phi|_x$ is the unique linear map $\mathcal{V}_{\mathfrak{X}}|_x \otimes_{\mathbb{C}} \mathcal{W}_{\mathfrak{X}}(\mathbb{W}_{\bullet}) \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ which is a conformal block and satisfies*

$$\imath\phi|_x(\mathbf{1} \otimes w) = \phi(w)$$

for each vector $w \in \mathcal{W}_{\mathfrak{X}}(\mathbb{W}_{\bullet})$.

Proof. The uniqueness follows from the previous remark. We shall show that $\imath\phi(\mathbf{1} \otimes w)$, which is an element of $\mathcal{O}(C \setminus S_{\mathfrak{X}})$, equals the constant function $\phi(w)$. By complex analysis, it suffices to prove $\imath\phi(\mathbf{1} \otimes w) = \phi(w)$ when restricted to each $W_j \setminus \{x_j\}$ (where W_j is a small disc containing x_j on which a local coordinate is defined). This is true by (6.2). \square

Corollary 6.5. *Let $\mathfrak{X} = (C; x_1, \dots, x_N)$ be an N -pointed connected compact Riemann surface associated with \mathbb{V} -module $\mathbb{W}_1, \dots, \mathbb{W}_N$. Choose $x \in C \setminus \{x_1, \dots, x_N\}$. Then the space of conformal blocks associated to \mathfrak{X} and \mathbb{W}_{\bullet} is isomorphism to the space of conformal blocks associated to $(\imath\mathfrak{X})_x = (C; x, x_1, \dots, x_N)$ and $\mathbb{V}, \mathbb{W}_1, \dots, \mathbb{W}_N$.*

Proof. We assume the identifications in Cor. 6.4. The linear map F from the first space to the second one is defined by $\phi \mapsto \imath\phi|_x$. The linear map G from the second one to the first one is defined by $\psi \mapsto \psi(\mathbf{1} \otimes \cdot)$. By Cor. 6.4, we have $G \circ F = 1$. By Remark 6.3, G is injective. So G is bijective. \square

7 Multi-propagation

Let $\mathfrak{X} = (C; x_1, \dots, x_N)$ be an N -pointed compact Riemann surface. Recall $S_{\mathfrak{X}} = \{x_1, \dots, x_N\}$. We choose local coordinates $\eta_1 \in \mathcal{O}(W_1), \dots, \eta_N \in \mathcal{O}(W_N)$ of \mathfrak{X} at x_1, \dots, x_N , where each W_j is a neighborhood of x_j satisfying $W_j \cap S_{\mathfrak{X}} = \{x_j\}$.

Let $n \in \mathbb{Z}_+$. By Section 1, $\imath^n \mathfrak{X}$ is

$$\imath^n \mathfrak{X} = (\imath^n \pi : C \times \text{Conf}^n(C \setminus S_{\mathfrak{X}}) \rightarrow \text{Conf}^n(C \setminus S_{\mathfrak{X}}); \sigma_1, \dots, \sigma_n, \imath^n x_1, \dots, \imath^n x_N)$$

where $\imath^n \pi$ is the projection onto the second component, and the sections are given by

$$\begin{aligned} \imath^n x_j(y_1, \dots, y_n) &= (x_j, y_1, \dots, y_n), \\ \sigma_i(y_1, \dots, y_n) &= (y_i, y_1, \dots, y_n). \end{aligned}$$

We define local coordinate

$$\imath^n \eta_j(x, y_1, \dots, y_n) = \eta_j(x) \quad (7.1)$$

of $\imath^n \mathfrak{X}$ at $x_j \times \text{Conf}^n(C \setminus S_{\mathfrak{X}})$, defined on $W_j \times \text{Conf}^n(C \setminus S_{\mathfrak{X}})$. Suppose U is an open subset of $C \setminus S_{\mathfrak{X}}$ which admits an injective $\mu \in \mathcal{O}(U)$, then we can define a local coordinate $\Delta_i \mu$ of $(\imath^n \mathfrak{X})_U$ at $\sigma_i(U)$ defined by

$$\Delta_i \mu(x, y_1, \dots, y_n) = \mu(x) - \mu(y_i) \quad (7.2)$$

whenever this expression is definable.

We shall relate the \mathcal{W} -sheaves with the exterior product $\mathcal{V}_C^{\boxtimes n}$, which is an \mathcal{O}_{C^n} -module defined by

$$\mathcal{V}_C^{\boxtimes n} := \text{pr}_1^* \mathcal{V}_C \otimes \text{pr}_2^* \mathcal{V}_C \otimes \dots \otimes \text{pr}_n^* \mathcal{V}_C. \quad (7.3)$$

Here, each $\text{pr}_i : C^n = \underbrace{C \times \dots \times C}_n \rightarrow C$ is the projection onto the i -th component. The tensor products are over \mathcal{O}_{C^n} as usual. Similar to the description in Section 5, the \mathcal{O}_{C^n} -module $\text{pr}_i^* \mathcal{V}_C$ is the pullback of the (infinite-rank) vector bundle \mathcal{V}_C along pr_i to C^n , i.e., $\mathcal{V}_C \otimes_{\mathcal{O}_C} \mathcal{O}_{C^n}$ where the action of $f \in \mathcal{O}_C$ on \mathcal{O}_{C^n} is defined by the multiplication of $f \circ \text{pr}_i$. If $U \subset C$ is open and $\mu \in \mathcal{O}(U)$ is injective, we then have a trivialization

$$\text{pr}_i^* \mathcal{U}_{\varrho}(\mu) : \text{pr}_i^* \mathcal{V}_C|_{\text{pr}_i^{-1}(U)} \xrightarrow{\cong} \mathbb{V} \otimes_{\mathbb{C}} \mathcal{O}_{\text{pr}_i^{-1}(U)}.$$

Proposition 7.1. *We have a unique isomorphism*

$$\mathcal{W}_{\imath^n \mathfrak{X}}(\mathbb{V}^{\otimes n} \otimes \mathbb{W}_{\bullet}) \xrightarrow{\cong} \mathcal{V}_C^{\boxtimes n}|_{\text{Conf}^n(C \setminus S_{\mathfrak{X}})} \otimes_{\mathbb{C}} \mathcal{W}_{\mathfrak{X}}(\mathbb{W}_{\bullet}) \quad (7.4)$$

such that for any n mutually disjoint open subsets $U_1, \dots, U_n \subset C \setminus S_{\mathfrak{X}}$ and any injective $\mu_1 \in \mathcal{O}(U_1), \dots, \mu_n \in \mathcal{O}(U_n)$, the restriction of this isomorphism to U makes the following diagram commutes.

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \mathcal{W}_{\imath^n \mathfrak{X}}(\mathbb{V}^{\otimes n} \otimes \mathbb{W}_{\bullet})|_{U_1 \times \dots \times U_n} & \xrightarrow{\cong} & \mathcal{V}_C^{\boxtimes n}|_{U_1 \times \dots \times U_n} \otimes_{\mathbb{C}} \mathcal{W}_{\mathfrak{X}}(\mathbb{W}_{\bullet}) \\ & \searrow \mathcal{U}(\Delta_{\bullet, \mu_{\bullet}, \imath^n \eta_{\bullet}}) \cong & \swarrow \text{pr}_1^* \mathcal{U}_{\varrho}(\mu_1) \otimes \dots \otimes \text{pr}_n^* \mathcal{U}_{\varrho}(\mu_n) \otimes \mathcal{U}(\eta_{\bullet}) \cong \\ & \mathbb{V} \otimes \mathbb{W}_{\bullet} \otimes_{\mathbb{C}} \mathcal{O}_{U_1 \times \dots \times U_n} & \end{array} \quad (7.5)$$

Here,

$$(\Delta_{\bullet, \mu_{\bullet}, \imath^n \eta_{\bullet}}) := (\Delta_1 \mu_1, \dots, \Delta_n \mu_n, \imath^n \eta_1, \dots, \imath^n \eta_n).$$

Proof. Suppose we have another injective $\mu'_i \in \mathcal{O}(U_i)$. Similar to the proof of Lemma 5.1, we see that for each $y_i \in U_i$,

$$(\Delta_i \mu_i | \Delta_i \mu'_i)_{(y_1, \dots, y_n)} = \varrho(\mu_i | \mu'_i)_{y_i}.$$

(See (2.5) and (3.1) for the meaning of notations.) Using this relation, one shows, as in the proof of Prop. 5.2, that the transition functions for the two trivializations in (7.5) are equal. This finishes the proof. \square

Choose a conformal block $\phi : \mathbb{W}_\bullet \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ associated to \mathfrak{X} and $\mathcal{W}_\mathfrak{X}(\mathbb{W}_\bullet)$. By Theorem 6.1, we have n -propagation $\imath^n \phi$, which is a conformal block associated to $\imath^n \mathfrak{X}$ and $\mathbb{V}^{\otimes n} \otimes \mathbb{W}_\bullet$. By Prop. 7.1, we can regard $\imath^n \phi$ as a morphism

$$\imath^n \phi : \mathcal{V}_C^{\boxtimes n} |_{\text{Conf}^n(C \setminus S_\mathfrak{X})} \otimes_{\mathbb{C}} \mathcal{W}_\mathfrak{X}(\mathbb{W}_\bullet) \rightarrow \mathcal{O}_{\text{Conf}^n(C \setminus S_\mathfrak{X})}.$$

Important facts about $\imath^n \phi$

Choose (non-necessarily disjoint) open $U_1, \dots, U_n \subset C$ and write

$$\text{Conf}(U_\bullet \setminus S_\mathfrak{X}) = (U_1 \times \dots \times U_n) \cap \text{Conf}^n(C \setminus S_\mathfrak{X}).$$

Choose any sections $v_i \in \mathcal{V}_C(U_i)$ and any $w \in \mathcal{W}_\mathfrak{X}(\mathbb{W}_\bullet)$, we write

$$\begin{aligned} \imath^n \phi(v_1, \dots, v_n, w) &:= \imath^n \phi \left(\text{pr}_1^* v_1 \otimes \dots \otimes \text{pr}_n^* v_n \otimes w |_{\text{Conf}(U_\bullet \setminus S_\mathfrak{X})} \right) \\ &\in \mathcal{O}(\text{Conf}(U_\bullet \setminus S_\mathfrak{X})). \end{aligned} \quad (7.6)$$

We now summarize some important properties of $\imath^n \phi$ in this setting.

As an elementary fact, the map $(v_1, \dots, v_n) \mapsto \imath^n \phi(v_1, \dots, v_n, w)$ intertwines the action of each $\mathcal{O}(U_i)$ on the i -th component. (Here, each $f \in \mathcal{O}(U_i)$ acts on $\mathcal{O}(\text{Conf}(U_\bullet \setminus S_\mathfrak{X}))$ by the multiplication of $(f \circ \text{pr}_i) |_{\text{Conf}(U_\bullet \setminus S_\mathfrak{X})}$). Moreover, it is compatible with restricting to open subsets of U_i .

Theorem 7.2. Identify

$$\mathcal{W}_\mathfrak{X}(\mathbb{W}_\bullet) = \mathbb{W}_\bullet.$$

using $\mathcal{U}(\eta_\bullet)$. Choose any $w_\bullet \in \mathbb{W}_\bullet$. For each $1 \leq i \leq n$, choose an open subset U_i of C equipped with an injective $\mu_i \in \mathcal{O}(U_i)$. Identify

$$U_i = \mu_i(U_i)$$

via μ_i so that μ_i is identified with the standard coordinate z . Identify

$$\mathcal{V}_C |_{U_i} = \mathbb{V} \otimes_{\mathbb{C}} \mathcal{O}_{U_i}$$

via trivialization $\mathcal{U}_\varrho(\mu_k)$. Choose $v_i \in \mathcal{V}_C(U_i) = \mathbb{V} \otimes_{\mathbb{C}} \mathcal{O}(U_i)$, and choose $(y_1, \dots, y_n) \in \text{Conf}(U_\bullet \setminus S_\mathfrak{X})$. Then the following are true.

- (1) If $U_1 = W_j$ (where $1 \leq j \leq N$) and contains only y_1, x_j of all the points x_\bullet, y_\bullet , if $\mu_1 = \eta_j$, and if U_1 contains the closed disc with center x_j and radius $|\eta_j(y_1)|$ (under the coordinate η_j), then

$$\begin{aligned} & \imath^n \phi(v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n, w_\bullet) \Big|_{y_1, y_2, \dots, y_n} \\ &= \imath^{n-1} \phi(v_2, \dots, v_n, w_1 \otimes \dots \otimes Y(v_1, z)w_j \otimes \dots \otimes w_N) \Big|_{y_2, \dots, y_n} \Big|_{z=\eta_j(y_1)} \end{aligned} \quad (7.7)$$

where the series of z on the right hand side converges absolutely.

- (2) If $U_1 = U_2$ and contains only y_1, y_2 of all the points x_\bullet, y_\bullet , if $\mu_1 = \mu_2$, and if U_2 contains the closed disc with center y_2 and radius $|\mu_2(y_1) - \mu_2(y_2)|$ (under the coordinate μ_2), then

$$\begin{aligned} & \imath^n \phi(v_1, v_2, v_3, \dots, v_n, w_\bullet) \Big|_{y_1, y_2, \dots, y_n} \\ &= \imath^{n-1} \phi(Y(v_1, z)v_2, v_3, \dots, v_n, w_\bullet) \Big|_{y_2, \dots, y_n} \Big|_{z=\mu_2(y_1)-\mu_2(y_2)} \end{aligned} \quad (7.8)$$

where the series of z on the right hand side converges absolutely.

- (3) We have

$$\imath^n \phi(\mathbf{1}, v_2, v_3, \dots, v_n, w_\bullet) = \imath^{n-1} \phi(v_2, \dots, v_n, w_\bullet). \quad (7.9)$$

- (4) For any permutation π of the set $\{1, 2, \dots, n\}$, we have

$$\imath^n \phi(v_{\pi(1)}, \dots, v_{\pi(n)}, w_\bullet) \Big|_{y_{\pi(1)}, \dots, y_{\pi(n)}} = \imath^n \phi(v_1, \dots, v_n, w_\bullet) \Big|_{y_1, \dots, y_n}. \quad (7.10)$$

Note that the right hand side of (7.7) (resp. (7.8)) is defined via (2.2) by identifying $\mathcal{O}(U_1)$ with a subspace of $\mathbb{C}[[z]]$ by taking the series expansions at $0 = \eta_j(x_j) = x_j$ (resp. $\mu_2(y_2) = y_2$).

Proof. When v_1, v_2 are constant sections (i.e. in \mathbb{V}), (1) and (2) follow from Thm. 6.1 and especially formula (6.2). The general case follows immediately. (3) follows from Cor. 6.4. By (3), part (4) holds when v_1, \dots, v_n are all the vacuum section 1. Thus, it holds for all v_1, \dots, v_n due to Prop. 6.2. \square

8 Sewing and multi-propagation

We assume, in addition to the setting of Section 4, that $\tilde{\mathcal{B}}$ is a single point. Namely, we have an $(N + 2M)$ -pointed compact Riemann surface

$$\tilde{\mathcal{X}} = (\tilde{C}; x_1, \dots, x_N; x'_1, \dots, x'_M; x''_1, \dots, x''_M),$$

where each connected component of \tilde{C} contains one of x_1, \dots, x_N . For each $1 \leq j \leq M$, $\tilde{\mathcal{X}}$ has local coordinates ξ_j at x'_j and ϖ_j at x''_j defined respectively on neighborhoods $W'_j \ni x'_j, W''_j \ni x''_j$. All W'_j, W''_j (where $1 \leq j \leq M$) are mutually disjoint and do not contain x_1, \dots, x_N . $\xi_j(W'_j) = \mathcal{D}_{r_j}$, and $\varpi_j(W''_j) = \mathcal{D}_{\rho_j}$. For each marked point x_i we

associate a \mathbb{W} -module \mathbb{W}_i . To x'_j and x''_j to we associate respectively a \mathbb{W} -module \mathbb{M}_j and its contragredient \mathbb{M}'_j . We set

$$S_{\tilde{\mathfrak{X}}} = \{x_1, \dots, x_N\}.$$

Also, for each $1 \leq i \leq N$, choose a local coordinate η_i at x_i . Identify

$$\mathcal{W}_{\tilde{\mathfrak{X}}}(\mathbb{W}_\bullet \otimes \mathbb{M}_\bullet \otimes \mathbb{M}'_\bullet) = \mathbb{W}_\bullet \otimes \mathbb{M}_\bullet \otimes \mathbb{M}'_\bullet$$

through $\mathcal{U}(\eta_\bullet, \xi_\bullet, \varpi_\bullet)$.

We sew $\tilde{\mathfrak{X}}$ along each x'_j, x''_j to obtain a family

$$\mathfrak{X} = (\pi : \mathcal{C} \rightarrow \mathcal{D}_{r, \rho_\bullet}^\times; x_1, \dots, x_N),$$

where the points x_1, \dots, x_N on \tilde{C} and the local coordinates η_1, \dots, η_N at these points extend constantly (over $\mathcal{D}_{r, \rho_\bullet}^\times$) to sections and local coordinates of \mathfrak{X} , denoted by the same symbols. (Cf. Sec. 4.) For each $q_\bullet \in \mathcal{D}_{r, \rho_\bullet}^\times$, we identify

$$\mathcal{W}_{\mathfrak{X}_{q_\bullet}}(\mathbb{W}_\bullet) = \mathbb{W}_\bullet$$

through $\mathcal{U}(\eta_\bullet)$.

Let $\phi : \mathbb{W}_\bullet \otimes \mathbb{M}_\bullet \otimes \mathbb{M}'_\bullet \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ be a conformal block associated to $\tilde{\mathfrak{X}}$ that converges a.l.u. on $\mathcal{D}_{r, \rho_\bullet}^\times$. Let $U_1, \dots, U_n \subset \tilde{C}$ be open and disjoint from each W'_j, W''_j . For each $q_\bullet \in \mathcal{D}_{r, \rho_\bullet}^\times$, since the fiber \mathcal{C}_{q_\bullet} is obtained by removing a small part of each $W'_j, W''_j \subset \tilde{C}$ and gluing the remaining part of \tilde{C} , we see that each U_i can be regarded as an open subset of the fiber \mathcal{C}_{q_\bullet} . By Thm. 4.3,

$$\tilde{\mathcal{S}}_{q_\bullet} \phi := \tilde{\mathcal{S}} \phi|_{q_\bullet}$$

is a conformal block associated to \mathfrak{X}_{q_\bullet} . Thus, we can consider its n -propagation $\imath^n \tilde{\mathcal{S}}_{q_\bullet} \phi$. In the setting of Thm. 7.2, and setting

$$\text{Conf}(U_\bullet \setminus S_{\tilde{\mathfrak{X}}}) = (U_1 \times \dots \times U_n) \cap \text{Conf}^n(\tilde{C} \setminus S_{\tilde{\mathfrak{X}}}),$$

for each $v_i \in \mathcal{V}_{\tilde{\mathfrak{X}}}(U_i)$ and $w_\bullet \in \mathbb{W}_\bullet$,

$$\imath^n \tilde{\mathcal{S}}_{q_\bullet} \phi(v_1, \dots, v_n, w_\bullet) \in \mathcal{O}(\text{Conf}(U_\bullet \setminus S_{\tilde{\mathfrak{X}}}).$$

This expression relies holomorphically on q_\bullet due to Thm. 6.1. Thus, by varying q_\bullet , we obtain

$$\imath^n \tilde{\mathcal{S}} \phi(v_1, \dots, v_n, w_\bullet) \in \mathcal{O}(\mathcal{D}_{r, \rho_\bullet}^\times \times \text{Conf}(U_\bullet \setminus S_{\tilde{\mathfrak{X}}}). \quad (8.1)$$

Since $\imath^n \phi$ is a conformal block associated to $\imath^n \tilde{\mathfrak{X}}$, we can talk about the a.l.u. convergence of its sewing $\tilde{\mathcal{S}} \imath^n \phi$, which is a conformal block by Thm. 4.3 again. In the setting of Thm. 7.2, this means that for each $v_i \in \mathcal{V}_{\tilde{\mathfrak{X}}}(U_i)$ and $w_\bullet \in \mathbb{W}_\bullet$.

$$\begin{aligned} \tilde{\mathcal{S}} \imath^n \phi(v_1, \dots, v_n, w_\bullet) &:= \imath^n \phi(v_1, \dots, v_n, w_\bullet \otimes (q_1^{\tilde{L}_0} \blacktriangleright \otimes_1 \blacktriangleleft) \otimes \dots \otimes (q_M^{\tilde{L}_0} \blacktriangleright \otimes_M \blacktriangleleft)) \\ &\in \mathcal{O}(\text{Conf}(U_\bullet \setminus S_{\tilde{\mathfrak{X}}}))[[q_1, \dots, q_M]] \end{aligned} \quad (8.2)$$

converges a.l.u. on $\mathcal{D}_{r, \rho_\bullet}^\times \times \text{Conf}(U_\bullet \setminus S_{\tilde{\mathfrak{X}}})$ in the sense of Def. 4.1. Assuming this a.l.u. convergence, we can ask whether the value of this expression at q_\bullet equals (8.1). The answer is Yes.

Theorem 8.1. Assume ϕ converges a.l.u. on $\mathcal{D}_{r,\rho,\bullet}^\times$. Then for each open $U_1, \dots, U_n \subset \tilde{C}$ disjoint from W'_j, W''_j ($1 \leq j \leq N$), each $v_i \in \mathcal{V}_{\tilde{x}}(U_i)$ and $w_\bullet \in \mathbb{W}_\bullet$, the relation

$$\tilde{\mathcal{S}} \imath^n \phi(v_1, \dots, v_n, w_\bullet) = \imath^n \tilde{\mathcal{S}} \phi(v_1, \dots, v_n, w_\bullet) \quad (8.3)$$

holds on the level of $\mathcal{O}(\text{Conf}(U_\bullet \setminus S_{\tilde{x}}))[[q_1^{\pm 1}, \dots, q_M^{\pm 1}]]$. In particular, the left hand side converges a.l.u. on $\mathcal{D}_{r,\rho,\bullet}^\times \times \text{Conf}(U_\bullet \setminus S_{\tilde{x}})$.

We note that the right hand side of (8.3) is considered as a series of q_1, \dots, q_M by taking Laurent series expansion.

Proof. We prove this theorem by induction on n . Let us assume the case for $n - 1$ is proved. For each $1 \leq i \leq N$ we choose a neighborhood $W_i \subset \tilde{C}$ of x_i on which η_i is defined. We assume W_i is small enough such that it does not intersect any W'_j, W''_j ($1 \leq j \leq N$) and contains only x_1 of x_1, \dots, x_N .

Step 1. Note that we can clearly shrink $\mathcal{D}_{r,\rho,\bullet}^\times$ since the formal series in (8.3) are independent of the size of this punctured polydisc. Therefore, we can also shrink each W'_j, W''_j to smaller discs, so that the interior of $\tilde{C} \setminus \bigcup_{1 \leq j \leq M} (W'_j \cup W''_j)$ (denoted by \mathbf{H}) is homotopic to $\mathbf{H}_0 = \tilde{C} \setminus \{x'_1, \dots, x'_M, x''_1, \dots, x''_M\}$. Therefore, since each connected component of \tilde{C} (and hence each one of \mathbf{H}_0) intersects x_1, \dots, x_N , each one of \mathbf{H}_0 contains at least one of W_1, \dots, W_N . The same is true for \mathbf{H} . So each connected component of $\mathbf{H} \setminus S_{\tilde{x}}$ contains at least one $W_j \setminus \{x_j\}$.

Fix U_2, \dots, U_n and $v_2, \dots, v_n, w_\bullet$ as in the statement of this theorem. Let Ω be the open set of all $y_1 \in \mathbf{H} \setminus S_{\tilde{x}}$ which is contained in an open $U_1 \subset \mathbf{H} \setminus S_{\tilde{x}}$ such that (8.3) holds for all $v_1 \in \mathcal{V}_{\tilde{x}}(U_1)$. By complex analysis, if $V_1 \subset \mathbf{H} \setminus S_{\tilde{x}}$ is open such that $\mathcal{V}_{\tilde{x}}|_{V_1}$ is trivializable (e.g., when there is an injective element of $\mathcal{O}(V_1)$), then $V_1 \subset \Omega$ whenever $V_1 \cap \Omega \neq \emptyset$. So Ω is closed. Thus, if Ω intersects $W_1 \setminus \{x_1\}, \dots, W_N \setminus \{x_N\}$, then $\Omega = \mathbf{H} \setminus S_{\tilde{x}}$, which finishes the proof.

Step 2. We show Ω intersects $W_1 \setminus \{x_1\}$, and hence intersects the other $W_i \setminus \{x_i\}$ by a similar argument. Indeed, we shall show that (8.3) holds whenever $U_1 = W_1$.

Note $w_\bullet = w_1 \otimes w_2 \otimes \dots \otimes w_N$ by convention. We let $w_\circ = w_2 \otimes \dots \otimes w_N$. Identify W_1 with $\eta_1(W_1)$ through W_1 so that η_1 is identified with the standard coordinate z . Let $U_\circ = U_2 \times \dots \times U_n$. Identify $\mathcal{V}_{\tilde{x}}|_{W_1}$ with $\mathbb{V} \otimes_{\mathbb{C}} \mathcal{O}_{W_1}$ through $\mathcal{U}_\circ(\eta_1)$. Choose any $v_1 \in \mathbb{V} \otimes_{\mathbb{C}} \mathcal{O}(W_1)$. Then by Thm. 7.2,

$$\tilde{\mathcal{S}} \imath^n \phi(v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n, w_\bullet) = \tilde{\mathcal{S}} \imath^{n-1} \phi(v_2, \dots, v_n, Y(v_1, z)w_1 \otimes w_\circ)$$

on the level of $\mathcal{O}(\text{Conf}(U_\circ \setminus S_{\tilde{x}}))[[z^{\pm 1}, q_1^{\pm 1}, \dots, q_M^{\pm 1}]]$. By our assumption on the $(n - 1)$ -case, this expression can be regarded as an element of (and hence this equation holds on the level of) $\mathcal{O}(\mathcal{D}_{r,\rho,\bullet}^\times \times \text{Conf}(U_\circ \setminus S_{\tilde{x}}))[[z^{\pm 1}]]$, and we have

$$\tilde{\mathcal{S}} \imath^n \phi(v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n, w_\bullet) = \imath^{n-1} \tilde{\mathcal{S}} \phi(v_2, \dots, v_n, Y(v_1, z)w_1 \otimes w_\circ)$$

also on this level. By Thm. 7.2 again, this expression equals

$$\imath^n \tilde{\mathcal{S}} \phi(v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n, w_1 \otimes w_\circ)$$

on this level. Since the above is an element of $\mathcal{O}(\mathcal{D}_{r,\rho,\bullet}^\times \times \text{Conf}(U_\bullet \setminus S_{\tilde{x}}))$, by the uniqueness of Laurent series expansion, we see the left hand side of (8.3) is also an element of this ring, and (8.3) holds on this level. \square

Remark 8.2. We discuss how to generalize Thm. 8.1 to the case that $\tilde{\mathfrak{X}}$ is a family of compact Riemann surfaces as in Sec. 4. We assume the setting of that section, together with one more assumption that $\tilde{\mathfrak{X}}$ has local coordinates η_1, \dots, η_N at $\varsigma_1(\tilde{\mathcal{B}}), \dots, \varsigma_N(\tilde{\mathcal{B}})$ so that we can identify the \mathscr{W} -sheaves with the free ones using the trivialization $\mathcal{U}(\eta_\bullet)$ or $\mathcal{U}(\eta_\bullet, \xi_\bullet, \varpi_\bullet)$.

We use freely the notations in Sec. 4. Let $S_{\tilde{\mathfrak{X}}} = \bigcup_{1 \leq i \leq M} \varsigma_i(\tilde{\mathcal{B}})$. Let

$$\phi : \mathbb{W}_\bullet \otimes \mathbb{M}_\bullet \otimes \mathbb{M}'_\bullet \otimes_{\mathbb{C}} \mathcal{O}_{\tilde{\mathcal{B}}} \rightarrow \mathcal{O}_{\tilde{\mathcal{B}}}$$

be a conformal block associated to $\tilde{\mathfrak{X}}$ which converges a.l.u. on $\mathcal{B} = \mathcal{D}_{r, \rho_\bullet}^\times \times \tilde{\mathcal{B}}$. Choose any open $U_1, \dots, U_n \subset \tilde{\mathcal{C}}$ disjoint from all W'_j, W''_j . Choose $v_i \in \mathcal{V}_{\tilde{\mathfrak{X}}}(U_i)$ and $w_\bullet \in \mathbb{W}_\bullet$. Let $\text{Conf}_{\tilde{\mathcal{B}}}(U_\bullet \setminus S_{\tilde{\mathfrak{X}}})$ be the set of all $(y_1, \dots, y_n) \in \text{Conf}(U_\bullet \setminus S_{\tilde{\mathfrak{X}}})$ satisfying $\tilde{\pi}(y_1) = \dots = \tilde{\pi}(y_n)$. For each $m_j \in \mathbb{M}_j, m'_j \in \mathbb{M}'_j$, we have

$$\imath^n \phi(v_1, \dots, v_n, w_\bullet \otimes m_\bullet \otimes m'_\bullet) \in \mathcal{O}(\text{Conf}_{\tilde{\mathcal{B}}}(U_\bullet \setminus S_{\tilde{\mathfrak{X}}}))$$

whose restriction to each $\tilde{\mathcal{C}}_b^{\times n}$ (where $b \in \tilde{\mathcal{B}}$ is such that $\tilde{\mathcal{C}}_b$ intersects U_1, \dots, U_n) is $\imath^n(\phi|_b)(v_1, \dots, v_n, w_\bullet \otimes m_\bullet \otimes m'_\bullet)$. (Indeed, this expression is a priori only a function which is holomorphic when restricted to each $\tilde{\mathcal{C}}_b^{\times n}$; that it is holomorphic on $\text{Conf}_{\tilde{\mathcal{B}}}(U_\bullet \setminus S_{\tilde{\mathfrak{X}}})$ (i.e., holomorphic when b also varies) is due to Thm. 6.1.) Thus, we can define

$$\tilde{\mathcal{S}} \imath^n \phi(v_1, \dots, v_n, w_\bullet) \in \mathcal{O}(\text{Conf}_{\tilde{\mathcal{B}}}(U_\bullet \setminus S_{\tilde{\mathfrak{X}}}))[[q_1^{\pm 1}, \dots, q_M^{\pm 1}]] \quad (8.4)$$

using (8.2). Similarly, with the aid of Thm. 6.1 we can define

$$\imath^n \tilde{\mathcal{S}} \phi(v_1, \dots, v_n, w_\bullet) \in \mathcal{O}(\mathcal{D}_{r, \rho_\bullet}^\times \times \text{Conf}_{\tilde{\mathcal{B}}}(U_\bullet \setminus S_{\tilde{\mathfrak{X}}})) \quad (8.5)$$

whose restriction to each $\mathcal{D}_{r, \rho_\bullet}^\times \times \tilde{\mathcal{C}}_b^{\times n}$ is $\imath^n \tilde{\mathcal{S}}(\phi|_b)(v_1, \dots, v_n, w_\bullet)$.

Consider (8.5) on the level of $\mathcal{O}(\text{Conf}_{\tilde{\mathcal{B}}}(U_\bullet \setminus S_{\tilde{\mathfrak{X}}}))[[q_1^{\pm 1}, \dots, q_M^{\pm 1}]]$. By applying Thm. 8.1 to $\phi|_b$, we see that the coefficients before q_1, \dots, q_N of (8.4) and (8.5) agree when restricted to each $\tilde{\mathcal{C}}_b^{\times n}$. So (8.4) = (8.5). In particular, (8.4) converges a.l.u. on $\mathcal{D}_{r, \rho_\bullet}^\times \times \text{Conf}_{\tilde{\mathcal{B}}}(U_\bullet \setminus S_{\tilde{\mathfrak{X}}})$.

9 Application: twisted representations for permutation orbifold VOAs

Let \mathbb{U} be a (positive energy) VOA, and let g be an automorphism of \mathbb{U} fixing the vacuum and the conformal vector of \mathbb{U} . In particular, g preserves the L_0 -grading of \mathbb{U} . We assume g has finite order k .

A (finitely-admissible) g -**twisted** \mathbb{U} -**module** is a vector space \mathcal{W} together with a diagonalizable operator \tilde{L}_0^g , and an operation

$$Y^g : \mathbb{U} \otimes \mathcal{W} \rightarrow \mathcal{W}[[z^{\pm 1/k}]]$$

$$u \otimes w \mapsto Y^g(u, z)w = \sum_{n \in \frac{1}{k}\mathbb{Z}} Y^g(u)_n w \cdot z^{-n-1}$$

satisfying the following conditions:

1. \mathcal{W} has \tilde{L}_0^g -grading $\mathcal{W} = \bigoplus_{n \in \frac{1}{k}\mathbb{N}} \mathcal{W}(n)$, each eigenspace $\mathcal{W}(n)$ is finite-dimensional, and for any $u \in \mathbb{U}$ we have

$$[\tilde{L}_0^g, Y^g(u)_n] = Y^g(L_0 u)_n - (n+1)Y^g(u)_n. \quad (9.1)$$

In particular, for each $w \in \mathcal{W}$ the lower truncation condition follows: $Y^g(u)_n w = 0$ when n is sufficiently small.

2. $Y^g(\mathbf{1}, z) = \mathbf{1}_{\mathcal{W}}$.
3. (g -equivariance) For each $u \in \mathbb{U}$,

$$Y^g(gu, z) = Y^g(u, e^{-2i\pi} z) := \sum_{n \in \frac{1}{k}\mathbb{Z}} Y^g(u)_n w \cdot e^{2(n+1)i\pi} z^{-n-1}. \quad (9.2)$$

4. (Jacobi identity-analytic version) Let $\mathcal{W}' = \bigoplus_{n \in \frac{1}{k}\mathbb{N}} \mathcal{W}(n)^*$. Let P_n be the projection of \mathcal{W} onto $\mathcal{W}(n)$ and also \mathbb{V} onto $\mathbb{V}(n)$. Then for each $u, v \in \mathbb{U}, w \in \mathcal{W}, w' \in \mathcal{W}'$, and for each $z \neq \xi$ in \mathbb{C}^\times with chosen $\arg z, \arg \xi$, the following series of n

$$\langle Y^g(u, z)Y^g(v, \xi)w, w' \rangle := \sum_{n \in \frac{1}{k}\mathbb{N}} \langle Y^g(u, z)P_n Y^g(v, \xi)w, w' \rangle \quad (9.3)$$

$$\langle Y^g(v, \xi)Y^g(u, z)w, w' \rangle := \sum_{n \in \frac{1}{k}\mathbb{N}} \langle Y^g(v, \xi)P_n Y^g(u, z)w, w' \rangle \quad (9.4)$$

$$\langle Y^g(Y(u, z - \xi)v, \xi)w, w' \rangle := \sum_{n \in \mathbb{N}} \langle Y^g(P_n Y(u, z - \xi)v, \xi)w, w' \rangle \quad (9.5)$$

converges absolutely when $|z| > |\xi|, |z| < |\xi|, |z - \xi| < |\xi|$ respectively. Moreover, for any fixed $\xi \in \mathbb{C}^\times$ with chosen argument $\arg \xi$, let R_ξ be the ray with argument $\arg \xi$ from 0 to ∞ , but with $0, \xi, \infty$ removed. Any point on R_ξ is assumed to have argument $\arg \xi$. Then the above three expressions, considered as functions of z defined on R_ξ satisfying the three mentioned inequalities respectively, can be analytically continued to the same multivalued holomorphic function $f_\xi(z)$ on $\mathbb{C}^\times \setminus \{\xi\}$ (i.e., a holomorphic function on the universal cover of $\mathbb{C}^\times \setminus \{\xi\}$.)

Remark 9.1. The above analytic version of Jacobi identity is equivalent to the usual algebraic one. Indeed, assume without loss of generality that $gu = e^{2ij\pi/k}u$. Then the g -equivariance condition shows that $z^{\frac{j}{k}}Y^g(u, z)$ is single-valued over z . Thus, $z^{\frac{j}{k}}$ times (9.3), (9.4), (9.5) are series expansions on $|z| > |\xi|, |z| < |\xi|, |z - \xi| < |\xi|$ respectively (not necessarily restricting to R_ξ) of the same single-valued holomorphic function $z^{\frac{j}{k}}f_\xi$ on $\mathbb{C}^\times \setminus \{\xi\}$. By strong residue theorem, this is equivalent to that for each $m, n \in \mathbb{Z}$,

$$\left(\oint_{|z|=2|\xi|} - \oint_{|z|=|\xi|/3} - \oint_{|z-\xi|=|\xi|/3} \right) z^{\frac{j}{k}+m} (z - \xi)^n f_\xi(z) dz = 0,$$

where in these integrals, $f_\xi(z)$ is replaced by (9.3), (9.4), (9.5) respectively. Equivalently,

$$\sum_{l \in \mathbb{N}} \binom{\frac{j}{k} + m}{l} \langle Y^g(Y(u)_{n+l}v, \xi)w, w' \rangle \xi^{\frac{j}{k}+m-l}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
&= \sum_{l \in \mathbb{N}} \binom{n}{l} (-1)^l \langle Y^g(u)_{\frac{j}{k}+m+n-l} Y^g(v, \xi) w, w' \rangle \xi^l \\
&\quad - \sum_{l \in \mathbb{N}} \binom{n}{l} (-1)^{n-l} \langle Y^g(v, \xi) Y^g(u)_{\frac{j}{k}+m+l} w, w' \rangle \xi^{n-l}.
\end{aligned} \tag{9.6}$$

By comparing the coefficients before ξ^{-h-1} , the above is equivalent to that for each $m, n \in \mathbb{Z}, h \in \frac{1}{k}\mathbb{Z}$, (suppressing w, w')

$$\begin{aligned}
&\sum_{l \in \mathbb{N}} \binom{\frac{j}{k} + m}{l} Y^g(Y(u)_{n+l} v)_{\frac{j}{k}+m+h-l} \\
&= \sum_{l \in \mathbb{N}} \binom{n}{l} (-1)^l Y^g(u)_{\frac{j}{k}+m+n-l} Y^g(v)_{h+l} - \sum_{l \in \mathbb{N}} \binom{n}{l} (-1)^{n-l} Y^g(v)_{n+h-l} Y^g(u)_{\frac{j}{k}+m+l}
\end{aligned} \tag{9.7}$$

which is the algebraic Jacobi identity.

Construction of twisted representations associated to cyclic permutation actions of $\mathbb{V}^{\otimes k}$

We let $\mathbb{U} = \mathbb{V}^{\otimes k}$ with conformal vector $\mathbf{c} \otimes \mathbf{1} \otimes \cdots \otimes \mathbf{1} + \cdots + \mathbf{1} \otimes \cdots \otimes \mathbf{1} \otimes \mathbf{c}$, and g an automorphism defined by

$$g : (v_1, v_2, \dots, v_k) \in \mathbb{V}^{\otimes k} \mapsto (v_k, v_1, \dots, v_{k-1}).$$

For each \mathbb{V} -module with \tilde{L}_0 -operator, we define an associated g -twisted \mathbb{U} -module \mathcal{W} as follows.

As a vector space, $\mathcal{W} = \mathbb{W}$. We define $\tilde{L}_0^g = \frac{1}{k} \tilde{L}_0$.

Let ζ be the standard coordinate of \mathbb{C} . Let $\mathfrak{X} = (\mathbb{P}^1; 0, \infty)$. We associate to $0, \infty$ local coordinates ζ, ζ^{-1} and \mathbb{V} -modules \mathbb{W}, \mathbb{W}' . Note

$$\mathcal{U}(\zeta, \zeta^{-1}) : \mathcal{W}_{\mathfrak{X}}(\mathbb{W} \otimes \mathbb{W}') \xrightarrow{\sim} \mathbb{W} \otimes \mathbb{W}'$$

We define a conformal block

$$\begin{aligned}
\tau_{\mathbb{W}} : \mathcal{W}_{\mathfrak{X}}(\mathbb{W} \otimes \mathbb{W}') &\mapsto \mathbb{C}, \\
\mathcal{U}(\zeta, \zeta^{-1})^{-1}(w \otimes w') &\mapsto \langle w, w' \rangle
\end{aligned}$$

where $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle$ is the pairing for \mathbb{W} and \mathbb{W}' . In the setting of Thm. 7.2, we have

$$\imath^k \tau_{\mathbb{W}} : \underbrace{\mathcal{V}_{\mathfrak{X}}(\mathbb{C}^\times) \otimes \cdots \otimes \mathcal{V}_{\mathfrak{X}}(\mathbb{C}^\times)}_k \otimes_{\mathbb{C}} \mathcal{W}_{\mathfrak{X}}(\mathbb{W} \otimes \mathbb{W}') \rightarrow \mathcal{O}(\text{Conf}^k(\mathbb{C}^\times))$$

where all the \otimes are over \mathbb{C} . Let

$$\omega_k = e^{-2i\pi/k}.$$

Since $\zeta^k : z \mapsto z^k$ is locally injective holomorphic on \mathbb{C}^\times , we have a trivialization

$$\mathcal{U}_\varrho(\zeta^k) : \mathcal{V}_{\mathfrak{X}}|_{\mathbb{C}^\times} \xrightarrow{\sim} \mathbb{V} \otimes_{\mathbb{C}} \mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{C}^\times}.$$

Then, for each $w \in \mathbb{W}, w' \in \mathbb{W}'$, and for each $v_1, \dots, v_n \in \mathbb{V}$ (considered as a constant section of $\mathbb{V} \otimes_{\mathbb{C}} \mathcal{O}(\mathbb{C}^\times)$) we define, for $v_\bullet = v_1 \otimes \dots \otimes v_k \in \mathbb{V}^{\otimes k}$,

$$\begin{aligned} & \langle Y^g(v_\bullet, z)w, w' \rangle \\ &= \imath^k \tau_{\mathbb{W}}(\mathcal{U}_\varrho(\zeta^k)^{-1}v_1, \dots, \mathcal{U}_\varrho(\zeta^k)^{-1}v_k, \mathcal{U}(\zeta, \zeta^{-1})^{-1}(w \otimes w')) \Big|_{\omega_k^{\bullet-1} \sqrt[k]{z}} \end{aligned} \quad (9.8)$$

where, for each $z \in \mathbb{C}^\times$ with argument $\arg z$,

$$\omega_k^{\bullet-1} \sqrt[k]{z} := (\sqrt[k]{z}, \omega_k \sqrt[k]{z}, \omega_k^2 \sqrt[k]{z}, \dots, \omega_k^{k-1} \sqrt[k]{z}) \in \text{Conf}^n(\mathbb{C}^\times), \quad (9.9)$$

and $\sqrt[k]{z}$ is assumed to have argument $\frac{1}{k} \arg z$.

(9.8) is a multi-valued function of z , single-valued of $\sqrt[k]{z} \in \mathbb{C}^\times$. So we have Laurent series expansion

$$\langle Y^g(v_\bullet, z)w, w' \rangle = \sum_{n \in \frac{1}{k}\mathbb{Z}} \langle Y^g(v_\bullet)_n w, w' \rangle z^{-n-1}$$

which defines $Y^g(v_\bullet)_n$ as a linear map $\mathbb{W} \otimes \mathbb{W}' \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$.

Lemma 9.2. *Each $Y^g(v_\bullet)_n$ is a linear map on \mathbb{W} . Moreover, (9.1) is satisfied.*

Proof. For each $q \in \mathbb{C}^\times$ with chosen $\arg q$. By (3.2) we have

$$\mathcal{U}(q^{\frac{1}{k}}\zeta, q^{-\frac{1}{k}}\zeta^{-1})\mathcal{U}(\zeta, \zeta^{-1})^{-1} = q^{\frac{1}{k}\tilde{L}_0} \otimes q^{-\frac{1}{k}\tilde{L}_0} = q^{\tilde{L}_0^g} \otimes q^{-\tilde{L}_0^g}.$$

By (2.7) and (2.5), on \mathbb{V} we have

$$\mathcal{U}_\varrho(\zeta^k)\mathcal{U}_\varrho(q^{-1}\zeta^k)^{-1} = \mathcal{U}(\varrho(\zeta^k|q^{-1}\zeta^k)) = q^{L_0}.$$

Thus

$$\begin{aligned} & \langle Y^g(v_\bullet, z)q^{-\tilde{L}_0^g}w, q^{\tilde{L}_0^g}w' \rangle \\ &= \imath^k \tau_{\mathbb{W}}(\mathcal{U}_\varrho(\zeta^k)^{-1}v_1, \dots, \mathcal{U}_\varrho(\zeta^k)^{-1}v_k, \mathcal{U}(q\zeta, q^{-1}\zeta^{-1})^{-1}(w \otimes w')) \Big|_{\omega_k^{\bullet-1} \sqrt[k]{z}}. \end{aligned} \quad (9.10)$$

We have an equivalence of pointed Riemann spheres with locally injective functions and local coordinates (at the last two marked points)

$$\begin{aligned} & (\mathbb{P}^1; \omega_k^{\bullet-1} \sqrt[k]{z}, 0, \infty; \zeta^k, q^{\frac{1}{k}}\zeta, q^{-\frac{1}{k}}\zeta^{-1}) \\ & \simeq (\mathbb{P}^1; \omega_k^{\bullet-1} \sqrt[k]{qz}, 0, \infty; q^{-1}\zeta^k, \zeta, \zeta^{-1}) \end{aligned}$$

defined by $z \in \mathbb{P}^1 \mapsto \sqrt[k]{q}z \in \mathbb{P}^1$, where $\sqrt[k]{q}$ has argument $\frac{1}{k} \arg q$. So (9.10) equals

$$\begin{aligned} & \imath^k \tau_{\mathbb{W}}(\mathcal{U}_\varrho(q^{-1}\zeta^k)^{-1}v_1, \dots, \mathcal{U}_\varrho(q^{-1}\zeta^k)^{-1}v_k, \mathcal{U}(\zeta, \zeta^{-1})^{-1}(w \otimes w')) \Big|_{\omega_k^{\bullet-1} \sqrt[k]{qz}} \\ &= \imath^k \tau_{\mathbb{W}}(\mathcal{U}_\varrho(\zeta^k)^{-1}q^{L_0}v_1, \dots, \mathcal{U}_\varrho(\zeta^k)^{-1}q^{L_0}v_k, \mathcal{U}(\zeta, \zeta^{-1})^{-1}(w \otimes w')) \Big|_{\omega_k^{\bullet-1} \sqrt[k]{qz}} \end{aligned}$$

We conclude

$$\langle Y^g(v_\bullet, z)q^{-\tilde{L}_0^g}w, q^{\tilde{L}_0^g}w' \rangle = \langle Y^g(q^{L_0}v_\bullet, qz)w, w' \rangle.$$

So, if $L_0v_\bullet = \alpha v_\bullet$, $\tilde{L}_0^g w = \beta w$, $\tilde{L}_0^g w' = \gamma w'$, then

$$\langle Y^g(v_\bullet, z)w, w' \rangle = q^{\alpha+\beta-\gamma} \langle Y^g(v_\bullet, qz)w, w' \rangle,$$

which shows, by looking at the coefficients before z^{-n-1} , that $\langle Y^g(v_\bullet)_n w, w' \rangle$ equals 0 unless $\alpha + \beta - \gamma - n - 1 = 0$. This proves $Y^g(v_\bullet)_n \mathcal{W}(\beta) \subset \mathcal{W}(\alpha + \beta - n - 1)$. In particular, $Y^g(v_\bullet)_n$ can be regarded as a linear map on \mathcal{W} . \square

Using part (3) and (4) of Thm. 7.2, it is easy to show $Y^g(1, z) = 1_{\mathcal{W}}$ and show (9.2). Moreover:

Theorem 9.3. *Y^g satisfies the Jacobi identity. Therefore, (\mathcal{W}, Y^g) is a g -twisted $\mathbb{V}^{\otimes k}$ -module.*

Proof. Choose the two vectors of \mathbb{U} to be $u_\bullet = u_1 \otimes \cdots \otimes u_k$, $v_\bullet = v_1 \otimes \cdots \otimes v_k \in \mathbb{V}^{\otimes k}$. Identify $\mathcal{W}_{\mathbb{X}}(\mathbb{W} \otimes \mathbb{W}') = \mathbb{W} \otimes \mathbb{W}'$ via $\mathcal{U}(\zeta, \zeta^{-1})$. Identify $\mathcal{V}_{\mathbb{X}}|_{\mathbb{C}^\times} = \mathbb{V} \otimes_{\mathbb{C}} \mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{C}^\times}$ via $\mathcal{U}_\varrho(\zeta^k)$. For each $\xi \in \mathbb{C}^\times$ with chosen $\arg \xi$, we define

$$f_\xi(z) = \imath^{2k} \tau_{\mathbb{W}}(u_1, \dots, u_k, v_1, \dots, v_k, w \otimes w') \Big|_{\omega_k^{\bullet-1} \sqrt[k]{z}, \omega_k^{\bullet-1} \sqrt[k]{\xi}} \quad (9.11)$$

where $\omega_k^{\bullet-1} \sqrt[k]{\xi}$ is a k -tuple understood in a similar way as (9.9). Then f_ξ is a multi-valued holomorphic function which lifts to a single-valued one on the k -fold covering space $\mathbb{C}^\times \setminus (\omega_k^{\bullet-1} \sqrt[k]{\xi})$ of $\mathbb{C}^\times \setminus \{\xi\}$.

Let $(m_{n,\alpha})_{\alpha \in \mathfrak{A}}$ be a set of basis of $\mathbb{W}(n)$ with dual basis $(\check{m}_{n,\alpha})_{\alpha \in \mathfrak{A}}$. Assume $0 < |z| < \xi$. We shall show that the following infinite sum over n

$$\begin{aligned} & \langle Y^g(v_\bullet, \xi) Y^g(u_\bullet, z) w, w' \rangle \\ &= \sum_{n \in \mathbb{N}} \sum_{\alpha \in \mathfrak{A}} \imath^k \tau_{\mathbb{W}}(u_1, \dots, u_k, w \otimes \check{m}_{n,\alpha})_{\omega_k^{\bullet-1} \sqrt[k]{z}} \cdot \imath^k \tau_{\mathbb{W}}(v_1, \dots, v_k, m_{n,\alpha} \otimes w')_{\omega_k^{\bullet-1} \sqrt[k]{\xi}} \end{aligned} \quad (9.12)$$

converges absolutely to $f_\xi(z)$. Indeed, this expression is the sewing at $q = 1$ of the $2k$ -propagation of the conformal block

$$\begin{aligned} \phi : \mathbb{W} \otimes \mathbb{W}' \otimes \mathbb{W} \otimes \mathbb{W}' &\rightarrow \mathbb{C}, \\ w_1 \otimes w'_1 \otimes w_2 \otimes w'_2 &\mapsto \langle w_1, w'_1 \rangle \cdot \langle w_2, w'_2 \rangle \end{aligned}$$

associated to $(\mathbb{P}_a^1 \sqcup \mathbb{P}_b^1; 0_a, \infty_a, 0_b, \infty_b)$. Here, $\mathbb{P}_a^1, \mathbb{P}_b^1$ are two identical Riemann spheres. The sewing is along ∞_a and 0_b using local coordinates ζ, ζ^{-1} , and by choosing suitable open discs $W' \ni \infty_a, W'' \ni 0_b$ with radius r, ρ satisfying $r\rho > 1$ such that W', W'' do not intersect $\omega_k^{\bullet-1} \sqrt[k]{z}$ and $\omega_k^{\bullet-1} \sqrt[k]{\xi}$. (Note that $|z| < |\xi|$ guarantees the existence of such W', W'' .) Since the sewing of ϕ clearly converges a.l.u. on a punctured open disc with radius $r\rho$, by Thm. 8.1, the sewing at $q = 1$ of $\imath^{2k} \phi$ (which is (9.12)) converges absolutely to the $2k$ -propagation of the sewing, which is just $f_\xi(z)$. A similar argument shows that when $0 < |\xi| < |z|$, $\langle Y^g(u_\bullet, z) Y^g(v_\bullet, \xi) w, w' \rangle$ converges absolutely to $f_\xi(z)$.

Consider $g_\xi \in \text{Conf}^n(\mathbb{C} \setminus \omega_k^{\bullet-1} \sqrt[k]{\xi})$ defined by

$$g_\xi(z_1, \dots, z_k) = \iota^{2k} \tau_{\mathbb{W}}(u_1, \dots, u_k, v_1, \dots, v_k, w \otimes w') \Big|_{z_1, \dots, z_k, \omega_k^{\bullet-1} \sqrt[k]{\xi}}.$$

The region $\Omega = \{z \in \mathbb{C}^\times : |z^k - \xi| < |\xi|\}$ has k connected components $\Omega_1, \dots, \Omega_k$, each one Ω_i contains exactly one element $\omega_k^{i-1} \sqrt[k]{\xi}$ of $\omega_k^{\bullet-1} \sqrt[k]{\xi}$, and $\Omega_i \simeq \zeta^k(\Omega_i)$ where $\zeta^k(\Omega_i)$ is the open disc with center ξ and radius $|\xi|$. By Thm. 7.2-(2) and the definition (9.8), whenever $z_i \in \Omega_i$ for each i , we have (letting x_1, \dots, x_k be formal variables)

$$\begin{aligned} & g_\xi(z_1, \dots, z_k) \\ &= \iota^k \tau_{\mathbb{W}}(Y(u_1, x_1)v_1, \dots, Y(u_k, x_k)v_k, w \otimes w') \Big|_{\omega_k^{\bullet-1} \sqrt[k]{\xi} \Big|_{x_k=z_k^k-\xi} \cdots \Big|_{x_1=z_1^k-\xi}} \\ &= \langle Y^g(Y(u_1, x_1)v_1 \otimes \cdots \otimes Y(u_k, x_k)v_k, \xi)w, w' \rangle \Big|_{x_k=z_k^k-\xi} \cdots \Big|_{x_1=z_1^k-\xi}. \end{aligned} \quad (9.13)$$

where the right hand side converges absolutely and successively for x_k, x_{k-1}, \dots, x_1 . Since the simultaneous Laurent series expansion of the holomorphic function $h(\varkappa_1, \dots, \varkappa_k) = g_\xi(\sqrt[k]{\xi + \varkappa_1}, \dots, \sqrt[k]{\xi + \varkappa_k})$ in the region $0 < |\varkappa_i| < |\xi|$ (for all i) clearly converges a.l.u., and since the coefficients of these series agree with those before the powers of x_1, \dots, x_k on the right hand side of (9.13) (by taking Laurent series expansion through contour integrals), we see that (9.13) converges absolutely (as a multi-variable series) to $g_\xi(z_1, \dots, z_k)$ at the desired points.

Now we assume $0 < |z - \xi| < |\xi|$, assume $\arg z$ is such that $\sqrt[k]{z} \in \Omega_1 \ni \sqrt[k]{\xi}$ (which is true when $\arg z = \arg \xi$), and set $(z_1, \dots, z_k) = \omega_k^{\bullet-1} \sqrt[k]{z}$. Then we see that $\langle Y^g(Y(u_\bullet, z - \xi)v_\bullet, \xi)w, w' \rangle$ converges absolutely to $g_\xi(\omega_k^{\bullet-s} \sqrt[k]{z}) = f_\xi(z)$. This finishes the verification of the Jacobi identity. \square

A Strong residue theorem for analytic families of curves

Let $\mathfrak{X} = (\pi : \mathcal{C} \rightarrow \mathcal{B}; \varsigma_1, \dots, \varsigma_N)$ be a (holomorphic) family of N -pointed compact Riemann surfaces. Recall the definition in Sec. 1. In particular, we assume each connected component of each fiber $\mathcal{C}_b = \pi^{-1}(b)$ contains at least one of $\varsigma_1(b), \dots, \varsigma_N(b)$. We let \mathcal{E} be a holomorphic vector bundle on \mathcal{C} with finite rank with dual bundle \mathcal{E}^\vee .

We assume that \mathfrak{X} is equipped with local coordinates η_1, \dots, η_N at $\varsigma_1(\mathcal{B}), \dots, \varsigma_N(\mathcal{B})$ respectively. Assume each η_j is defined on a neighborhood $W_j \subset \mathcal{C}$ of $\varsigma_j(\mathcal{B})$ which does not intersect any of $\varsigma_1(\mathcal{B}), \dots, \varsigma_N(\mathcal{B})$ other than $\varsigma_j(\mathcal{B})$. For each j , we fix a trivialization

$$\mathcal{E}_j|_{W_j} \simeq E_j \otimes_{\mathbb{C}} \mathcal{O}_{W_j}$$

and its dual trivialization

$$\mathcal{E}_j^\vee|_{W_j} \simeq E_j^\vee \otimes_{\mathbb{C}} \mathcal{O}_{W_j},$$

where E_j is a finite-dimensional vector space and E_j^\vee is its dual space.

For each j , we identify

$$W_j = (\pi, \eta_j)(W_j)$$

via the open injective holomorphic map (π, η_j) . Then W_j is a neighborhood of $\mathcal{B} \times \{0\}$ in $\mathcal{B} \times \mathbb{C}$. We let z be the standard coordinate of \mathbb{C} . Consider

$$s_j = \sum_{n \in \mathbb{Z}} e_{j,n} \cdot z^n \in (E_j \otimes_{\mathbb{C}} \mathcal{O}(\mathcal{B}))((z)), \quad (\text{A.1})$$

where each $e_{j,n} \in E_j \otimes_{\mathbb{C}} \mathcal{O}(\mathcal{B})$ is 0 when n is sufficiently small. Considering $e_{j,n}$ as an E_j -valued holomorphic on $\mathcal{O}(\mathcal{B})$, we let $e_{j,n} \in E_j$ be its value at $b \in \mathcal{B}$. Then $s_j(b)$, the restriction of s_j to \mathcal{C}_b , is represented by

$$s_j(b) = \sum_n e_{j,n}(b) z^n \in E_j((z)).$$

Suppose that s is a section of $\mathcal{E}(\star S_{\mathfrak{X}})$ defined on W_j . Then $s|_{W_j} = s|_{W_j}(b, z)$ is an E_j -valued meromorphic function on W_j with poles at $z = 0$. We say that s **has series expansion s_j at $\varsigma_j(\mathcal{B})$** if for each $b \in \mathcal{B}$, the meromorphic function $s|_{W_j}(b, z)$ of z has Laurent series expansion (A.1) near $z = 0$.

For each $b \in \mathcal{B}$, choose $\sigma_b \in H^0(\mathcal{C}_b, \mathcal{E}^\vee|_{\mathcal{C}_b} \otimes \omega_{\mathcal{C}_b}(\star S_{\mathfrak{X}_b}))$. Then in $W_{j,b} = W_j \cap \pi^{-1}(B)$, σ_b can be regarded as an $E_j^\vee \otimes dz$ -valued holomorphic function but with possibly finite poles at $z = 0$. So it has series expansion at $z = 0$:

$$\sigma_b|_{W_{j,b}}(z) = \sum_n \phi_{j,n} z^n dz \in E_j^\vee((z)) dz$$

where $\phi_{j,n} \in E_j^\vee$. We define the residue pairing

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Res}_j \langle s_j, \sigma_b \rangle &= \text{Res}_{z=0} \langle s_j(b), \sigma_b|_{U_{j,b}}(z) \rangle \\ &= \text{Res}_{z=0} \left(\left\langle \sum_n e_{j,n}(b) z^n, \sum_n \phi_{j,n} z^n \right\rangle dz \right). \end{aligned} \quad (\text{A.2})$$

in which the pairing between E_j and E_j^\vee is denoted by $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle$.

Theorem A.1. *For each $1 \leq j \leq N$, choose s_j as in (A.1). Then the following statements are equivalent.*

(a) *There exists $s \in H^0(\mathcal{C}, \mathcal{E}(\star S_{\mathfrak{X}}))$ whose series expansion at $\varsigma_j(\mathcal{B})$ (for each $1 \leq j \leq N$) is s_j .*

(b) *For any $b \in \mathcal{B}$ and any $\sigma_b \in H^0(\mathcal{C}_b, \mathcal{E}^\vee|_{\mathcal{C}_b} \otimes \omega_{\mathcal{C}_b}(\star S_{\mathfrak{X}_b}))$,*

$$\sum_{j=1}^N \text{Res}_j \langle s_j, \sigma_b \rangle = 0. \quad (\text{A.3})$$

Moreover, when these statements hold, there is only one $s \in H^0(\mathcal{C}, \mathcal{E}(\star S_{\mathfrak{X}}))$ satisfying (a).

Proof. That (a) implies (b) follows from Residue theorem (i.e., Stokes theorem): The evaluation between s and σ_b is an element of $H^0(\mathcal{C}_b, \omega_{\mathcal{C}_b}(\star S_{\mathfrak{X}_b}))$ whose total residue over all poles is 0.

If s satisfies (a), then for each $b \in \mathcal{B}$, $s|_{\mathcal{C}_b}$ is uniquely determined by its series expansions near $\varsigma_1(b), \dots, \varsigma_N(b)$ (since each component of \mathcal{C}_b contains some $\varsigma_j(b)$). Therefore the sections satisfying (a) is unique.

Now assume (b) is true. Suppose for each $b \in \mathcal{B}$ we can find a neighborhood $V \subset \mathcal{B}$ such that an s satisfying (a) exists for the family \mathfrak{X}_V . Then, by the uniqueness proved above, we can glue all these locally defined s to a global one. Thus, we may shrink \mathcal{B} to a small neighborhood of a given $b_0 \in \mathcal{B}$ when necessary.

We first note that, by replacing \mathcal{B} with a neighborhood of a given $b_0 \in \mathcal{B}$, we may assume $\pi_* \mathcal{E}(kS_{\mathfrak{X}}) = 0$ for sufficiently large k . Indeed, choose any $b_0 \in \mathcal{B}$. Then by Serre duality,

$$H^0(\mathcal{C}_b, \mathcal{E}|_{\mathcal{C}_b}(-kS_{\mathfrak{X}_b})) \simeq H^1(\mathcal{C}_b, \mathcal{E}^\vee|_{\mathcal{C}_b} \otimes \omega_{\mathcal{C}_b}(kS_{\mathfrak{X}_b})), \quad (\text{A.4})$$

which, by Serre vanishing theorem, equals 0 for some $k = k_0$ when $b = b_0$. Since π is open, \mathfrak{X} is a flat family ([Fis76, Sec. 3.20]). Thus, we can apply the upper-semicontinuity theorem (cf. [BS76, Thm. III.4.12]) and see that (A.4) vanishes for $k = k_0$ and (by shrinking \mathcal{B} to a neighborhood of b_0) any $b \in \mathcal{B}$. Since the vector space $H^0(\mathcal{C}_b, \mathcal{E}|_{\mathcal{C}_b}(-kS_{\mathfrak{X}_b}))$ decreases as k increases, (A.4) is constantly zero for all $b \in \mathcal{B}$ and $k \geq k_0$. This implies $\pi_* \mathcal{E}(-kS_{\mathfrak{X}}) = 0$ for all $k \geq k_0$ (cf. [BS76, Cor. III.3.5]).

Choose $p \in \mathbb{N}$ such that for each $1 \leq j \leq N$, the $e_{j,n}$ in (A.1) equals 0 when $n < -p$. For any $k \geq k_0$, as $\pi_* \mathcal{E}(-kS_{\mathfrak{X}}) = 0$, the short exact sequence

$$0 \rightarrow \mathcal{E}(-kS_{\mathfrak{X}}) \rightarrow \mathcal{E}(pS_{\mathfrak{X}}) \rightarrow \mathcal{E}(pS_{\mathfrak{X}})/\mathcal{E}(-kS_{\mathfrak{X}}) \rightarrow 0$$

induces a long one

$$0 \rightarrow \pi_* \mathcal{E}(pS_{\mathfrak{X}}) \rightarrow \pi_* (\mathcal{E}(pS_{\mathfrak{X}})/\mathcal{E}(-kS_{\mathfrak{X}})) \xrightarrow{\delta} R^1 \pi_* \mathcal{E}(-kS_{\mathfrak{X}}). \quad (\text{A.5})$$

For each $1 \leq j \leq N$, set $s_j|_k = \sum_{n < k} e_{j,n} \cdot z^n$, which can be regarded as a section in $\mathcal{E}(pS_{\mathfrak{X}})(W_j)$. Let $W_0 = \mathcal{C} \setminus S_{\mathfrak{X}}$. Then $\mathfrak{U} = \{W_0, W_1, \dots, W_N\}$ is an open cover of \mathcal{C} . Define Čech 0-cocycle $\psi = (\psi_j)_{0 \leq j \leq N} \in Z^0(\mathfrak{U}, \mathcal{E}(pS_{\mathfrak{X}})/\mathcal{E}(-kS_{\mathfrak{X}}))$ by setting

$$\psi_0 = 0, \quad \psi_j = s_j|_k (1 \leq j \leq N)$$

Then $\delta\psi = ((\delta\psi)_{i,j})_{0 \leq i,j \leq N} \in Z^1(\mathfrak{U}, \mathcal{E}(-kS_{\mathfrak{X}}))$ is described as follows: $(\delta\psi)_{0,0} = 0$; if $i, j > 0$ then $(\delta\psi)_{i,j}$ is not defined since $W_i \cap W_j = \emptyset$; if $1 \leq j \leq N$ then $(\delta\psi)_{j,0} = -(\delta\psi)_{0,j}$ equals $s_j|_k$ (considered as a section in $\mathcal{E}(-kS_{\mathfrak{X}})(W_j \cap W_0)$).

Consider $\delta\psi$ as a section of $R^1 \pi_* \mathcal{E}(-kS_{\mathfrak{X}})$. We shall show that $\delta\psi = 0$. By the fact that (A.4) vanishes and the invariance of Euler characteristic, $\dim H^1(\mathcal{C}_b, (\mathcal{E}|_{\mathcal{C}_b})(-kS_{\mathfrak{X}_b}))$ is locally constant over $b \in \mathcal{B}$, which shows that $R^1 \pi_*(\mathcal{C}, \mathcal{E}(-kS_{\mathfrak{X}}))$ is locally free and its fiber at b is naturally equivalent to $H^1(\mathcal{C}_b, (\mathcal{E}|_{\mathcal{C}_b})(-kS_{\mathfrak{X}_b}))$. (Cf. [BS76, Thm. III.4.12].) Thus, it suffices to show that for each fiber \mathcal{C}_b , the restriction $\delta\psi|_{\mathcal{C}_b} \in H^1(\mathcal{C}_b, \mathcal{E}|_{\mathcal{C}_b}(-kS_{\mathfrak{X}_b}))$ is zero.

The residue pairing for the Serre duality

$$H^1(\mathcal{C}_b, \mathcal{E}|_{\mathcal{C}_b}(-kS_{\mathfrak{X}})) \simeq H^0(\mathcal{C}_b, \mathcal{E}^\vee|_{\mathcal{C}_b} \otimes \omega_{\mathcal{C}_b}(kS_{\mathfrak{X}_b}))^*$$

applied to $\delta\psi|_{\mathcal{C}_b}$ and any $\sigma_b \in H^0(\mathcal{C}_b, \mathcal{E}^\vee|_{\mathcal{C}_b} \otimes \omega_{\mathcal{C}_b}(kS_{\mathfrak{X}_b}))$, is given by

$$\langle \delta\psi|_{\mathcal{C}_b}, \sigma_b \rangle = \sum_{j=1}^N \text{Res}_j \langle s_j|_k, \sigma_b \rangle.$$

Since for each $1 \leq j \leq N$, $\langle s_j - s_j|_k, \sigma_b \rangle$ has removable singularity at $z = 0$, we have $\text{Res}_j \langle s_j - s_j|_k, \sigma_b \rangle = 0$. Therefore,

$$\langle \delta\psi|_{\mathcal{C}_b}, \sigma_b \rangle = \sum_{j=1}^N \text{Res}_j \langle s_j, \sigma_b \rangle = 0.$$

Thus $\delta\psi|_{\mathcal{C}_b} = 0$ for any b . This proves that $\delta\psi = 0$.

By (A.5), for each $k \geq k_0$, there is a unique $s|_k \in (\pi_* \mathcal{E}(pS_{\mathfrak{X}}))(\mathcal{B}) = H^0(\mathcal{C}, \mathcal{E}(pS_{\mathfrak{X}}))$ which is sent to $\psi \in \pi_*(\mathcal{E}(pS_{\mathfrak{X}})/\mathcal{E}(-kS_{\mathfrak{X}}))(\mathcal{B})$. So near $\varsigma_j(\mathcal{B})$, $s|_k$ has series expansion

$$s|_k = s_j|_k + \bullet z^k + \bullet z^{k+1} + \dots. \quad (\text{A.6})$$

By this uniqueness, we must have $s|_{k_0} = s|_{k_0+1} = s|_{k_0+2} = \dots$. Let $s = s|_{k_0}$. Then s has series expansion s_j at $\varsigma_j(\mathcal{B})$ for each j . \square

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