

# Notes: cubic couplings in $3d$

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## Scalar fields

The scalar Kaluza-Klein fluctuations of the  $\mathrm{SO}(8, 4 + m)$  exceptional field theory [1] are labelled by pair of indices  $\Phi^{\alpha, \Sigma}$  [2], with  $\alpha$  the index of non-compact generators of  $\mathrm{SO}(8, 4 + m)$  (or equivalently the fields within the  $3d$  truncation) and  $\Sigma$  labelling the scalar harmonic  $\mathcal{Y}^\Sigma$  on  $S^3$ . They transform in the symmetric vector representation  $(n/2, n/2; 0, 0)$  of  $\mathrm{SO}(4)_{\text{gauge}} \times \mathrm{SO}(4)_{\text{global}} \times \mathrm{SO}(m)$ . Under

$$\mathrm{SO}(8, 4 + m) \longrightarrow \mathrm{SO}(4)_{\text{gauge}} \times \mathrm{SO}(4)_{\text{global}} \times \mathrm{SO}(m), \quad (0.1)$$

the non-compact generators  $t_\alpha$  of  $\mathrm{SO}(8, 4 + m)$  decompose as

$$\begin{aligned} t_\alpha \longrightarrow & (0, 0; 0, 0) \oplus (1, 0; 0, 0) \oplus (0, 1; 0, 0) \oplus (1, 1; 0, 0) \\ & \oplus (1/2, 1/2; 1/2, 1/2) \oplus (1/2, 1/2; 0, 0)^{(m)} \oplus (0, 0; 1/2, 1/2)^{(m)}, \end{aligned} \quad (0.2)$$

where the exponent  $^{(m)}$  indicates representations that transforms as vectors under  $\text{SO}(m)$ . The other representations are  $\text{SO}(m)$  scalars. Then, the fluctuations  $\Phi^{\alpha, \Sigma}$  are made of the following representations:

$$\begin{aligned}
\alpha \otimes \Sigma \longrightarrow & \left[ (0, 0; 0, 0) \oplus (1, 0; 0, 0) \oplus (0, 1; 0, 0) \oplus (1, 1; 0, 0) \right. \\
& \left. \oplus (1/2, 1/2; 1/2, 1/2) \oplus (1/2, 1/2; 0, 0)^{(m)} \oplus (0, 0; 1/2, 1/2)^{(m)} \right] \otimes (n/2, n/2; 0, 0) \\
\longrightarrow & \left[ (n/2, n/2; 0, 0) \right] \\
& \oplus \left[ ((n-2)/2, n/2; 0, 0) \oplus (n/2, n/2; 0, 0) \oplus ((n+2)/2, n/2; 0, 0) \right] \\
& \oplus \left[ (n/2, (n-2)/2; 0, 0) \oplus (n/2, n/2; 0, 0) \oplus (n/2, (n+2)/2; 0, 0) \right] \\
& \oplus \left[ ((n-2)/2, (n-2)/2; 0, 0) \oplus ((n-2)/2, n/2; 0, 0) \oplus ((n-2)/2, (n+2)/2; 0, 0) \right. \\
& \quad \oplus (n/2, (n-2)/2; 0, 0) \oplus (n/2, n/2; 0, 0) \oplus (n/2, (n+2)/2; 0, 0) \\
& \quad \left. \oplus ((n+2)/2, (n-2)/2; 0, 0) \oplus ((n+2)/2, n/2; 0, 0) \oplus ((n+2)/2, (n+2)/2; 0, 0) \right] \\
& \oplus \left[ ((n-1)/2, (n-1)/2; 1/2, 1/2) \oplus ((n-1)/2, (n+1)/2; 1/2, 1/2) \right. \\
& \quad \left. \oplus ((n+1)/2, (n-1)/2; 1/2, 1/2) \oplus ((n+1)/2, (n+1)/2; 1/2, 1/2) \right] \\
& \oplus \left[ ((n-1)/2, (n-1)/2; 0, 0)^{(m)} \oplus ((n-1)/2, (n+1)/2; 0, 0)^{(m)} \right. \\
& \quad \left. \oplus ((n+1)/2, (n-1)/2; 0, 0)^{(m)} \oplus ((n+1)/2, (n+1)/2; 0, 0)^{(m)} \right] \\
& \oplus \left[ (n/2, n/2; 1/2, 1/2)^{(m)} \right].
\end{aligned} \tag{0.3}$$

This corresponds to the scalars fields and Goldstone modes belonging to the level  $n$  in the Kaluza-Klein tower. The supermultiplets at level  $n$  are  $[3, 4, 2]$  (see tab. 1 for the notations)

$$\mathcal{S}_{(2,0)}^{(n)} = [\overset{\circ}{n+1}, \overset{\circ}{n+1}]_s + [\overset{\square}{n+3}, \overset{\square}{n+3}]_s + [\overset{\diamond}{n+2}, \overset{\diamond}{n+2}]_s^{(m)} + [\overset{\triangle}{n+1}, \overset{\triangle}{n+3}]_s + [\overset{\nabla}{n+3}, \overset{\nabla}{n+1}]_s. \tag{0.4}$$

In this equation, we have assigned a geometric shape to each of these supermultiplets. We use in the following these shapes to identify the multiplet to which each representation in eq. (0.3) belongs:

$$\begin{aligned}
\alpha \otimes \Sigma \longrightarrow & \left[ \underline{(n/2, n/2; 0, 0)} \right] \\
& \oplus \left[ \underline{((n-2)/2, n/2; 0, 0)} \oplus \underline{(n/2, n/2; 0, 0)} \oplus \underline{((n+2)/2, n/2; 0, 0)} \right] \\
& \oplus \left[ \underline{(n/2, (n-2)/2; 0, 0)} \oplus \underline{(n/2, n/2; 0, 0)} \oplus \underline{(n/2, (n+2)/2; 0, 0)} \right] \\
& \oplus \left[ \overset{\circ}{((n-2)/2, (n-2)/2; 0, 0)} \oplus \underline{((n-2)/2, n/2; 0, 0)} \oplus \overset{\triangle}{((n-2)/2, (n+2)/2; 0, 0)} \right. \\
& \quad \left. \oplus \underline{(n/2, (n-2)/2; 0, 0)} \oplus \underline{(n/2, n/2; 0, 0)} \oplus \underline{(n/2, (n+2)/2; 0, 0)} \right. \\
& \quad \left. \oplus \overset{\nabla}{((n+2)/2, (n-2)/2; 0, 0)} \oplus \underline{((n+2)/2, n/2; 0, 0)} \oplus \overset{\square}{((n+2)/2, (n+2)/2; 0, 0)} \right] \quad (0.5) \\
& \oplus \left[ \overset{\circ}{((n-1)/2, (n-1)/2; 1/2, 1/2)} \oplus \underline{((n-1)/2, (n+1)/2; 1/2, 1/2)} \right. \\
& \quad \left. \oplus \underline{((n+1)/2, (n-1)/2; 1/2, 1/2)} \oplus \overset{\square}{((n+1)/2, (n+1)/2; 1/2, 1/2)} \right] \\
& \oplus \left[ \overset{\diamond}{((n-1)/2, (n-1)/2; 0, 0)}^{(m)} \oplus \underline{((n-1)/2, (n+1)/2; 0, 0)}^{(m)} \right. \\
& \quad \left. \oplus \underline{((n+1)/2, (n-1)/2; 0, 0)}^{(m)} \oplus \overset{\diamond}{((n+1)/2, (n+1)/2; 0, 0)}^{(m)} \right] \\
& \oplus \left[ \overset{\diamond}{(n/2, n/2; 1/2, 1/2)}^{(m)} \right].
\end{aligned}$$

Representations to which no shape has been assigned may belong to multiple multiplets (**ce: This needs to be fixed**). Underlined representations are Goldstone modes (or potential Goldstone modes if the line is dashed and not solid).  $\Leftarrow$

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$\Delta_L$	$\Delta_R$	$\Delta$	$s$	$\text{SO}(4)_{\text{gauge}}$	$\text{SO}(4)_{\text{global}}$
<b>Spin-1 multiplet <math>[\mathbf{k} + \mathbf{1}, \mathbf{k} + \mathbf{1}]_s</math></b>					
$k/2$	$k/2$	$k$	0	$(k/2, k/2)$	$(0, 0)$
$k/2$	$(k+1)/2$	$k+1/2$	1/2	$(k/2, (k-1)/2)$	$(0, 1/2)$
$(k+1)/2$	$k/2$	$k+1/2$	-1/2	$((k-1)/2, k/2)$	$(1/2, 0)$
$(k+1)/2$	$(k+1)/2$	$k+1$	0	$((k-1)/2, (k-1)/2)$	$(1/2, 1/2)$
$k/2$	$(k+2)/2$	$k+1$	1	$(k/2, (k-2)/2)$	$(0, 0)$
$(k+2)/2$	$k/2$	$k+1$	-1	$((k-2)/2, k/2)$	$(0, 0)$
$(k+1)/2$	$(k+2)/2$	$k+3/2$	1/2	$((k-1)/2, (k-2)/2)$	$(1/2, 0)$
$(k+2)/2$	$(k+1)/2$	$k+3/2$	-1/2	$((k-2)/2, (k-1)/2)$	$(0, 1/2)$
$(k+2)/2$	$(k+2)/2$	$k+2$	0	$((k-2)/2, (k-2)/2)$	$(0, 0)$
<b>Spin-2 multiplet <math>[\mathbf{p}, \mathbf{p} + \mathbf{2}]_s</math></b>					
$(p-1)/2$	$(p+1)/2$	$p$	1	$((p-1)/2, (p+1)/2)$	$(0, 0)$
$(p-1)/2$	$(p+2)/2$	$p+1/2$	3/2	$((p-1)/2, p/2)$	$(0, 1/2)$
$p/2$	$(p+1)/2$	$p+1/2$	1/2	$((p-2)/2, (p+1)/2)$	$(1/2, 0)$
$p/2$	$(p+2)/2$	$p+1$	1	$((p-2)/2, p/2)$	$(1/2, 1/2)$
$(p-1)/2$	$(p+3)/2$	$p+1$	2	$((p-1)/2, (p-1)/2)$	$(0, 0)$
$(p+1)/2$	$(p+1)/2$	$p+1$	0	$((p-3)/2, (p+1)/2)$	$(0, 0)$
$p/2$	$(p+3)/2$	$p+3/2$	3/2	$((p-2)/2, (p-1)/2)$	$(1/2, 0)$
$(p+1)/2$	$(p+2)/2$	$p+3/2$	1/2	$((p-3)/2, p/2)$	$(0, 1/2)$
$(p+1)/2$	$(p+3)/2$	$p+2$	1	$((p-3)/2, (p-1)/2)$	$(0, 0)$

**Tab. 1** Spin-1  $[\mathbf{k} + \mathbf{1}, \mathbf{k} + \mathbf{1}]_s$  and spin-2  $[\mathbf{p}, \mathbf{p} + \mathbf{2}]_s$  multiplets of  $\text{SU}(2|1, 1)_L \times \text{SU}(2|1, 1)_R$ , for  $k \geq 2$  and  $p \geq 3$  [4]. The  $\text{SO}(4)$  representations are given by a couple of  $\text{SU}(2)$  spins. The conjugate spin-2 multiplet  $[\mathbf{p} + \mathbf{2}, \mathbf{p}]_s$  is obtained by inverting  $\Delta_L$  with  $\Delta_R$ , taking the opposite spin  $-s$  and exchanging the  $\text{SU}(2)$  spins inside each  $\text{SO}(4)_{\text{gauged}}$  and  $\text{SO}(4)_{\text{global}}$  representations. Taken from ref. [2].