G-fixed Hilbert schemes on $K3$ surfaces and modular forms.

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Abstract

Let X be a complex $K3$ surface with an effective action of a group G which preserves the holomorphic symplectic form. Let

$$Z_{X,G}(q) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} e(\mathrm{Hilb}^n(X)^G) q^{n-1}$$

be the generating function for the Euler characteristics of Hilbert scheme of G-invariant length n subschemes. We show that its reciprocal, $Z_{X,G}(q)^{-1}$ is the Fourier expansion of a modular cusp form of weight $\frac{1}{2}e(X/G)$ and index $|G|$. We give an explicit formula for $Z_{X,G}$ in terms of the Dedekind eta function for all 82 possible (X, G).

1 Introduction

Let X be a complex $K3$ surface with an effective action of a group G which preserves the holomorphic symplectic form. Mukai showed that such G are precisely the subgroups of the Mathieu group $M_{23} \subset M_{24}$ such that the induced action on the set $\{1, \ldots, 24\}$ has at least five orbits [**?**]. Xiao classified all possible actions into 82 possible topological types of the quotient X/G [**?**].

The *G-fixed Hilbert scheme* of X parameterizes G-invariant length n subschemes $Z \subset X$. It can be identified with the G-fixed point locus in the Hilbert scheme of points:

$$\mathrm{Hilb}^n(X)^G \subset \mathrm{Hilb}^n(X)$$

We define the corresponding *G-fixed partition function* of X by

$$Z_{X,G}(q) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} e(\mathrm{Hilb}^n(X)^G) q^{n-1}$$

where $e(-)$ is topological Euler characteristic.

Throughout this paper we set

$$q = \exp(2\pi i \tau)$$

so that we may regard $Z_{X,G}$ as a function of $\tau \in \mathbb{H}$ where $\mathbb{H}$ is the upper half-plane.

Our main result is the following:

Theorem 1. *The function* $Z_{X,G}(q)^{-1}$ *is a holomorphic modular cusp form*[1] *of weight* $\frac{1}{2}e(X/G)$ *and index* $|G|$*.*

Our theorem specializes in the case where G is the trivial group to a famous result of Göttsche [**?**]. The case where G is a cyclic group was proved in [**?**]. One can interpret our result as an instance of the Vafa-Witten S-duality conjecture for the orbifold $[X/G]$ (see Remark ???). The partition function $Z_{X,G}(q)$ also has an interpretation in enumerative geometry: its coefficients count G-invariant rational curves on X (see Remark ???).

We also give an explicit formula for $Z_{X,G}(q)$ in terms of the Dedekind eta function

$$\eta(\tau) = q^{\frac{1}{24}} \prod_{n=1}^{\infty} (1 - q^n)$$

as follows. Let $p_1, \ldots, p_r$ be the singular points of X/G and let $G_1, \ldots, G_r$ be the corresponding stabilizer subgroups of G. The singular points are necessarily of ADE type: they are locally given by $\mathbb{C}^2/G_i$ where $G_i \subset SU(2)$. Finite subgroups of $SU(2)$ have an ADE classification and we let $\Delta_1, \ldots, \Delta_r$ denote the corresponding ADE root systems.

For any finite subgroup $G_\Delta \subset SU(2)$ with associated root system Δ we define the *local* G_Δ*-fixed partition function* by

$$Z_\Delta(q) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} e\left(\mathrm{Hilb}^n(\mathbb{C}^2)^{G_\Delta}\right) \, q^{n-\frac{1}{24}}.$$

We will prove in Theorem **??** that

$$Z_\Delta(q) = \frac{\theta_\Delta(\tau)}{\eta(k\tau)^{N+1}}$$

where $\theta_\Delta(\tau)$ is a certain theta function associated to the root system of Δ, N is the rank of the root system, and $k = |G_\Delta|$.

The 82 possible collections of ADE root systems $\Delta_1, \ldots, \Delta_r$ associated to (X, G) a $K3$ surface with a symplectic G action, are given in table ??? and we note that $\Delta_i \in \{A_1, \ldots, A_7, D_4, D_5, D_6, E_6\}$. We let $k = |G|$, $k_i = |G_i|$, and

$$a = \frac{24}{k} - \sum_{i=1}^{r} \frac{1}{k_i} = e(X/G) - r.$$

Theorem 2. *With the above notation we have*

$$Z_{X,G}(q) = \eta^{-a}(k\tau) \prod_{i=1}^{r} Z_{\Delta_i}\left(\frac{k\tau}{k_i}\right)$$

[1] See section § **??** for notation and defintions regarding modular forms.

where

$$\begin{aligned}
Z_{A_n}(\tau) &= \frac{1}{\eta(\tau)}, \quad n \geq 1 \\
Z_{D_n}(\tau) &= \frac{\eta^2(2\tau)\eta((4n-8)\tau)}{\eta(\tau)\eta(4\tau)\eta^2((2n-4)\tau)}, \quad 4 \leq n \leq 6 \\
Z_{E_6}(\tau) &= \frac{\eta^2(2\tau)\eta(24\tau)}{\eta(\tau)\eta^2(8\tau)\eta(12\tau)}
\end{aligned}$$

We conjecture in **??** that the formula for Z_{D_n} holds for all $n \geq 4$ and we provide explicit conjectural formulas for Z_{E_7} and Z_{E_8}. In table ??? we have listed explictly the eta product of the modular form $(Z_{X,G})^{-1}$ for all 82 possible cases of (X, G).

1.1 Examples.

1.2 Interpretation of results.

1.3 Structure of the paper

A Table of eta products

Xiao #	$\|G\|$	Singularities of X/G	The modular form $(Z_{X,G})^{-1}$	Weight
0	1		$\eta(\tau)^{24}$	12
1	2	$8A_1$	$\eta(2\tau)^8\,\eta(\tau)^8$	8
2	3	$6A_2$	$\eta(3\tau)^6\,\eta(\tau)^6$	6
3	4	$12A_1$	$\eta(2\tau)^{12}$	6
4	4	$2A_1+4A_3$	$\eta(4\tau)^4\,\eta(2\tau)^2\,\eta(\tau)^4$	5
5	5	$4A_4$	$\eta(5\tau)^4\,\eta(\tau)^4$	4
6	6	$8A_1+3A_2$	$\frac{\eta(3\tau)^8\eta(2\tau)^3}{\eta(6\tau)}$	5
7	6	$2A_1+2A_2+2A_5$	$\eta(6\tau)^2\,\eta(3\tau)^2\,\eta(2\tau)^2\,\eta(\tau)^2$	4
8	7	$3A_6$	$\eta(7\tau)^3\,\eta(\tau)^3$	3
9	8	$14A_1$	$\frac{\eta(4\tau)^{14}}{\eta(8\tau)^4}$	5
10	8	$9A_1+2A_3$	$\frac{\eta(4\tau)^9\eta(2\tau)^2}{\eta(8\tau)^2}$	9/2
11	8	$4A_1+4A_3$	$\eta(4\tau)^4\,\eta(2\tau)^4$	4
12	8	$3A_3+2D_4$	$\frac{\eta(\tau)^2\eta(4\tau)^6}{\eta(2\tau)}$	7/2
13	8	A_1+4D_4	$\frac{\eta(4\tau)^{13}\eta(\tau)^4}{\eta(8\tau)^2\eta(2\tau)^8}$	7/2
14	8	$A_1+A_3+2A_7$	$\eta(8\tau)^2\,\eta(4\tau)\,\eta(2\tau)\,\eta(\tau)^2$	3
15	9	$8A_2$	$\eta(3\tau)^8$	4
16	10	$8A_1+2A_4$	$\frac{\eta(5\tau)^8\eta(2\tau)^2}{\eta(10\tau)^2}$	4
17	12	$4A_1+6A_2$	$\frac{\eta(6\tau)^4\eta(4\tau)^6}{\eta(12\tau)^2}$	4
18	12	$9A_1+A_2+A_5$	$\frac{\eta(6\tau)^9\eta(4\tau)\eta(2\tau)}{\eta(12\tau)^3}$	4
19	12	$3A_1+3A_5$	$\eta(6\tau)^3\,\eta(2\tau)^3$	3
20	12	$A_2+2A_3+2D_5$	$\frac{\eta(4\tau)^3\eta(3\tau)^2\eta(\tau)^2\eta(6\tau)^4}{\eta(12\tau)\eta(2\tau)^4}$	3
21	16	$15A_1$	$\frac{\eta(8\tau)^{15}}{\eta(16\tau)^6}$	9/2
22	16	$10A_1+2A_3$	$\frac{\eta(8\tau)^{10}\eta(4\tau)^2}{\eta(16\tau)^4}$	4
23	16	$5A_1+4A_3$	$\frac{\eta(8\tau)^5\eta(4\tau)^4}{\eta(16\tau)^2}$	7/2
24	16	$6A_1+A_3+2D_4$	$\frac{\eta(8\tau)^{12}\eta(2\tau)^2}{\eta(16\tau)^4\eta(4\tau)^3}$	7/2
25	16	$6A_3$	$\eta(4\tau)^6$	3
26	16	$4A_1+A_3+A_7+D_4$	$\frac{\eta(8\tau)^7\eta(2\tau)^2}{\eta(16\tau)^2\eta(4\tau)}$	3

27	16	$2A_1 + 4D_4$	$\frac{\eta(8\tau)^{14}\eta(2\tau)^4}{\eta(4\tau)^8\eta(16\tau)^4}$	3
28	16	$2A_1 + A_3 + 2A_7$	$\eta\left(8\tau\right)^2\eta\left(4\tau\right)\eta\left(2\tau\right)^2$	5/2
29	16	$A_3 + D_4 + 2D_6$	$\frac{\eta(4\tau)\eta(8\tau)^7\eta(\tau)^2}{\eta(16\tau)^2\eta(2\tau)^3}$	5/2
30	18	$8A_1 + 4A_2$	$\frac{\eta(9\tau)^8\eta(6\tau)^4}{\eta(18\tau)^4}$	4
31	18	$2A_1 + 3A_2 + 2A_5$	$\frac{\eta(9\tau)^2\eta(6\tau)^3\eta(3\tau)^2}{\eta(18\tau)}$	3
32	20	$2A_1 + 4A_3 + A_4$	$\frac{\eta(10\tau)^2\eta(5\tau)^4\eta(4\tau)}{\eta(20\tau)}$	3
33	21	$6A_2 + A_6$	$\frac{\eta(7\tau)^6\eta(3\tau)}{\eta(21\tau)}$	3
34	24	$5A_1 + 3A_2 + 2A_3$	$\frac{\eta(12\tau)^5\eta(8\tau)^3\eta(6\tau)^2}{\eta(24\tau)^3}$	7/2
35	24	$4A_1 + 2A_2 + 2A_5$	$\frac{\eta(12\tau)^4\eta(8\tau)^2\eta(4\tau)^2}{\eta(24\tau)^2}$	3
36	24	$5A_1 + A_3 + A_5 + D_5$	$\frac{\eta(12\tau)^7\eta(6\tau)\eta(2\tau)\eta(8\tau)}{\eta(24\tau)^3\eta(4\tau)}$	3
37	24	$2A_2 + A_5 + D_4 + E_6$	$\frac{\eta(8\tau)^4\eta(4\tau)\eta(3\tau)\eta(12\tau)^4\eta(\tau)}{\eta(6\tau)^2\eta(24\tau)^2\eta(2\tau)^2}$	5/2
38	24	$2A_2 + A_3 + 2E_6$	$\frac{\eta(8\tau)^6\eta(6\tau)\eta(\tau)^2\eta(12\tau)^2}{\eta(2\tau)^4\eta(24\tau)^2}$	5/2
39	32	$8A_1 + 3A_3$	$\frac{\eta(16\tau)^8\eta(8\tau)^3}{\eta(32\tau)^4}$	7/2
40	32	$9A_1 + 2D_4$	$\frac{\eta(16\tau)^{15}\eta(4\tau)^2}{\eta(32\tau)^6\eta(8\tau)^4}$	7/2
41	32	$3A_1 + 5A_3$	$\frac{\eta(16\tau)^3\eta(8\tau)^5}{\eta(32\tau)^2}$	3
42	32	$4A_1 + 2A_3 + 2D_4$	$\frac{\eta(16\tau)^{10}\eta(4\tau)^2}{\eta(32\tau)^4\eta(8\tau)^2}$	3
43	32	$5A_1 + 2A_7$	$\frac{\eta(16\tau)^5\eta(4\tau)^2}{\eta(32\tau)^2}$	5/2
44	32	$2A_1 + 2A_3 + A_7 + D_4$	$\frac{\eta(16\tau)^5\eta(4\tau)^2}{\eta(32\tau)^2}$	5/2
45	32	$3A_1 + D_4 + 2D_6$	$\frac{\eta(16\tau)^{10}\eta(2\tau)^2}{\eta(32\tau)^4\eta(4\tau)^3}$	5/2
46	36	$2A_1 + 2A_2 + 4A_3$	$\frac{\eta(18\tau)^2\eta(12\tau)^2\eta(9\tau)^4}{\eta(36\tau)^2}$	3
47	36	$A_1 + 6A_2 + A_5$	$\frac{\eta(18\tau)\eta(12\tau)^6\eta(6\tau)}{\eta(36\tau)^2}$	3
48	36	$6A_1 + A_2 + 2A_5$	$\frac{\eta(18\tau)^6\eta(12\tau)\eta(6\tau)^2}{\eta(36\tau)^3}$	3
49	48	$5A_1 + 6A_2$	$\frac{\eta(24\tau)^5\eta(16\tau)^6}{\eta(48\tau)^4}$	7/2
50	48	$6A_2 + 2A_3$	$\frac{\eta(16\tau)^6\eta(12\tau)^2}{\eta(48\tau)^2}$	3
51	48	$5A_1 + A_2 + 2A_3 + A_5$	$\frac{\eta(24\tau)^5\eta(16\tau)\eta(12\tau)^2\eta(8\tau)}{\eta(48\tau)^3}$	3
52	48	$4A_1 + 3A_5$	$\frac{\eta(24\tau)^4\eta(8\tau)^3}{\eta(48\tau)^2}$	5/2
53	48	$A_1 + A_2 + 2A_3 + 2D_5$	$\frac{\eta(24\tau)^5\eta(16\tau)^3\eta(12\tau)^2\eta(4\tau)^2}{\eta(48\tau)^3\eta(8\tau)^4}$	5/2
54	48	$4A_1 + A_2 + A_7 + E_6$	$\frac{\eta(24\tau)^5\eta(16\tau)^3\eta(6\tau)\eta(2\tau)}{\eta(48\tau)^3\eta(4\tau)^2}$	5/2
55	60	$4A_1 + 3A_2 + 2A_4$	$\frac{\eta(30\tau)^4\eta(20\tau)^3\eta(12\tau)^2}{\eta(60\tau)^3}$	3
56	64	$5A_1 + 3A_3 + D_4$	$\frac{\eta(32\tau)^8\eta(16\tau)\eta(8\tau)}{\eta(64\tau)^4}$	3

57	64	$6A_1+3D_4$	$\frac{\eta(32\tau)^{15}\eta(8\tau)^3}{\eta(64\tau)^6\eta(16\tau)^6}$	3
58	64	$3A_1+3A_3+A_7$	$\frac{\eta(32\tau)^3\eta(16\tau)^3\eta(8\tau)}{\eta(64\tau)^2}$	5/2
59	64	$5A_3+D_4$	$\frac{\eta(32\tau)^3\eta(16\tau)^3\eta(8\tau)}{\eta(64\tau)^2}$	5/2
60	64	$4A_1+A_3+2D_6$	$\frac{\eta(32\tau)^8\eta(16\tau)^3\eta(4\tau)^2}{\eta(64\tau)^4\eta(8\tau)^4}$	5/2
61	72	$4A_1+3A_2+A_3+D_5$	$\frac{\eta(36\tau)^6\eta(24\tau)^4\eta(18\tau)\eta(6\tau)}{\eta(72\tau)^4\eta(12\tau)^2}$	3
62	72	$3A_1+2A_3+2A_5$	$\frac{\eta(36\tau)^3\eta(18\tau)^2\eta(12\tau)^2}{\eta(72\tau)^2}$	5/2
63	72	$A_2+3A_3+2D_4$	$\frac{\eta(24\tau)\eta(9\tau)^2\eta(36\tau)^6}{\eta(72\tau)^3\eta(18\tau)}$	5/2
64	80	$3A_1+4A_4$	$\frac{\eta(40\tau)^3\eta(16\tau)^4}{\eta(80\tau)^2}$	5/2
65	96	$3A_1+3A_2+3A_3$	$\frac{\eta(48\tau)^3\eta(32\tau)^3\eta(24\tau)^3}{\eta(96\tau)^3}$	3
66	96	$2A_1+2A_2+A_3+2A_5$	$\frac{\eta(48\tau)^2\eta(32\tau)^2\eta(24\tau)\eta(16\tau)^2}{\eta(96\tau)^2}$	5/2
67	96	$2A_1+3A_2+A_7+D_4$	$\frac{\eta(48\tau)^5\eta(32\tau)^3\eta(12\tau)^2}{\eta(96\tau)^3\eta(24\tau)^2}$	5/2
68	96	$3A_1+2A_3+A_5+D_5$	$\frac{\eta(48\tau)^5\eta(24\tau)^2\eta(8\tau)\eta(32\tau)}{\eta(96\tau)^3\eta(16\tau)}$	5/2
69	96	$3A_1+2A_2+2E_6$	$\frac{\eta(48\tau)^5\eta(32\tau)^6\eta(4\tau)^2}{\eta(96\tau)^4\eta(8\tau)^4}$	5/2
70	120	$2A_1+A_2+2A_3+A_4+A_5$	$\frac{\eta(60\tau)^2\eta(40\tau)\eta(30\tau)^2\eta(24\tau)\eta(20\tau)}{\eta(120\tau)^2}$	5/2
71	128	$3A_1+2A_3+D_4+D_6$	$\frac{\eta(64\tau)^8\eta(32\tau)\eta(8\tau)}{\eta(128\tau)^4\eta(16\tau)}$	5/2
72	144	$A_1+4A_2+2A_5$	$\frac{\eta(72\tau)\eta(48\tau)^4\eta(24\tau)^2}{\eta(144\tau)^2}$	5/2
73	160	$2A_1+3A_3+2A_4$	$\frac{\eta(80\tau)^2\eta(40\tau)^3\eta(32\tau)^2}{\eta(160\tau)^2}$	5/2
74	168	$A_1+3A_2+2A_3+A_6$	$\frac{\eta(84\tau)\eta(56\tau)^3\eta(42\tau)^2\eta(24\tau)}{\eta(168\tau)^2}$	5/2
75	192	$2A_1+6A_2+D_4$	$\frac{\eta(96\tau)^5\eta(64\tau)^6\eta(24\tau)}{\eta(192\tau)^4\eta(48\tau)^2}$	3
76	192	$2A_1+A_2+2A_3+A_5+D_4$	$\frac{\eta(96\tau)^5\eta(64\tau)\eta(32\tau)\eta(24\tau)}{\eta(192\tau)^3}$	5/2
77	192	$2A_1+A_2+3A_3+E_6$	$\frac{\eta(96\tau)^3\eta(64\tau)^3\eta(48\tau)^3\eta(8\tau)}{\eta(192\tau)^3\eta(16\tau)^2}$	5/2
78	288	$2A_1+2A_2+A_3+2D_5$	$\frac{\eta(144\tau)^6\eta(96\tau)^4\eta(72\tau)\eta(24\tau)^2}{\eta(288\tau)^4\eta(48\tau)^4}$	5/2
79	360	$A_1+2A_2+2A_3+2A_4$	$\frac{\eta(180\tau)\eta(120\tau)^2\eta(90\tau)^2\eta(72\tau)^2}{\eta(360\tau)^2}$	5/2
80	384	$A_1+3A_2+2A_3+D_6$	$\frac{\eta(192\tau)^3\eta(128\tau)^3\eta(96\tau)^3\eta(24\tau)}{\eta(384\tau)^3\eta(48\tau)^2}$	5/2
81	960	$A_1+3A_2+2A_4+D_4$	$\frac{\eta(480\tau)^4\eta(320\tau)^3\eta(192\tau)^2\eta(120\tau)}{\eta(960\tau)^3\eta(240\tau)^2}$	5/2

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