Complex critical points and curved geometries in Lorentzian EPRL spinfoam amplitude

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Horizontal axis: deficit angle  $\delta_h$ ; Vertical axis:  $\propto$  Amplitudes

In spinfoam, large spin parameter  $\lambda$  is a *finite* expansion parameter.

For any large but finite  $\lambda$ , there exists relatively small deficit angles such that the amplitude is not small.

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Curved geometries in SF





The non-blue regime of curved geometries where the amplitude is not small.

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- These curved geometries come from complex critical points.
- A warm-up example

$$A_{\lambda}(r) = \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} e^{\lambda \left[ix^2 - r(x+1)^2\right]} dx, \quad r \ge 0, \quad \lambda \gg 1$$

The critical point:  $x_c = \frac{r}{r-i} \begin{cases} r=0 & \text{real critical point} \\ r \neq 0 & \text{complex critical point} \end{cases}$ ,

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- $\Delta_3$ : relaxing cosine problem.
- 1-5 Pachner move: reduce the spinfoam amplitude to integral over Regge geometries:

$$\left(\frac{1}{\lambda}\right)^{\frac{N}{2}} \int \prod_{m=1}^{5} \mathrm{d}l_{m6} \, e^{\lambda \mathcal{S}(r,Z(r))} \mathcal{N}_r \left[1 + O(1/\lambda)\right],$$

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# EPRL Spinfoam Model



4-d triangulation  ${\cal K}$ 

- 4-simplices:  $\sigma$
- $\bullet\,$ tetrahedra: $\tau$
- triangles: t

dual complex  $\mathcal{K}^*$ 

- $\bullet$  vertices: v
- ${\ensuremath{\bullet}}$  oriented edges: e
- oriented faces: f: h (internal), b (boundary)

A spinfoam assigns an SU(2) spin  $j_f$  to each face  $f: j_h, j_b$ .

The spinfoam amplitude in the integral representation:

$$A(\mathcal{K}) = \sum_{\{j_h\}} \prod_h d_{j_h} \int [\mathrm{d}g \mathrm{d}\mathbf{z}] e^{S(j_h, g_{ve}, \mathbf{z}_{vf}; j_b, \xi_{eb})},$$
$$[\mathrm{d}g \mathrm{d}\mathbf{z}] = \prod_{(v, e)} \mathrm{d}g_{ve} \prod_{(v, f)} \mathrm{d}\Omega_{\mathbf{z}_{vf}},$$

- $|j_b, \xi_{eb}\rangle$ : SU(2) boundary coherent state.
- $\mathbf{z}_{vf} \in \mathbb{CP}^1$ .
- $g_{ve} \in \mathrm{SL}(2,\mathbb{C}).$
- phase amplitude  $d_{j_h} = 2j_h + 1$ .
- $dg_{ve}$  is the Haar measure,  $d\Omega_{\mathbf{z}_{vf}}$  is a scaling invariant measure on  $\mathbb{CP}^1$ .

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- At each  $e, g_{v'e} \mapsto g_{v'e} h_e^{-1}, g_{ve} \mapsto g_{ve} h_e^{-1}, h_e \in \mathrm{SU}(2) \Longrightarrow g_{v'e}$  to be upper-triangular matrix.

(any  $g \in SL(2, \mathbb{C})$  can be written as g = kh where k is upper-triangular and  $h \in SU(2)$ ).

Real parametrization:

$$g_{v'e} = \mathring{g}_{v'e} \begin{pmatrix} 1 + \frac{x_{v'e}^1}{\sqrt{2}} & \frac{x_{v'e}^2 + iy_{v'e}^2}{\sqrt{2}} \\ 0 & \mu_{v'e} \end{pmatrix} \in \mathrm{SL}(2,\mathbb{C}),$$

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$$\mathbf{z}_{vf} = (1, \mathring{\alpha}_{vf} + x_{vf} + iy_{vf}) \in \mathbb{CP}^1.$$

•  $x_{ve}, y_{ve}, x_{vf}, y_{vf}$  are real numbers.

•  $\mathring{g} \in \mathrm{SL}(2,\mathbb{C})$  and  $\mathring{\alpha} \in \mathbb{C}$  will be a critical point of S.

Therefore,

$$S(j_h, g_{ve}, \mathbf{z}_{vf}) = S(j_h, x_{ve}, y_{ve}, x_{vf}, y_{vf})$$

will be analytic continued (locally) to the holomorphic function

$$\mathcal{S}(j_h, x_{ve}, y_{ve}, x_{vf}, y_{vf}), \quad j_h, x_{ve}, y_{ve}, x_{vf}, y_{vf} \in \mathbb{C}$$

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Apply the Poisson summation to the EPRL spinfoam amplitude:

$$\begin{aligned} A(\mathcal{K}) &= \sum_{\{k_h \in \mathbb{Z}\}} \int_{\mathbb{R}} \prod_h \mathrm{d}j_h \prod_h 2\lambda \, d_{\lambda j_h} \int [\mathrm{d}g \mathrm{d}\mathbf{z}] \, e^{\lambda S^{(k)}}, \\ S^{(k)} &= S + 4\pi i \sum_h j_h k_h, \end{aligned}$$

 $j_h$  is continuous.

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• The solution gives Regge geometries subject to the flatness constraint (up to some "parity flips"):

$$\gamma \delta_h = 0 \mod 4\pi \mathbb{Z}.$$

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We consider the large-  $\lambda$  integral:

$$\int_{K} \mathrm{d}^{N} x \, \mu(x) \, e^{\lambda S(r,x)}, \quad N = 124 \text{ for } \Delta_{3},$$

• S(r,x) and  $\mu(x)$  are analytic functions for  $r \in U \subset \mathbb{R}^k, x \in K \subset \mathbb{R}^N$ .

•  $U \times K$  is a compact neighborhood of  $(\mathring{r}, \mathring{x})$ .

#### Analytic Extension

$$x \to z \in \mathbb{C}^N, \quad S(r, x) \to \mathcal{S}(r, z)$$



Complex critical points z = Z(r) are the solutions of the complex critical equation

$$\partial_z \mathcal{S} = 0$$

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[Hörmander, 1983; Melin, Sjöstrand, 1975]

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# Algorithm of $A(\Delta_3)$

#### We numerically construct boundary data, flat geometry, and real critical point.

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a		(10.01 + 0.01i)	(0.87,0.01+0.49i)	(0.87.0.46+0.17i)	(0.3, -0.55-0.78i)	
2	(1,-0.01,-0.01i)		(0.49,0.02+0.87i)	(0.49,0.82+0.31i)	(0.95,-0.17-0.25i)	1 -
3	(0.86,-0.01+0.51i)	(0.51, -0.02 + 0.86i)		(0.71,0.56-0.43i)	(0.71,-0.24+0.67i)	1 -
4	(0.86, 0.48 + 0.16i)	(0.51, 0.82 + 0.27i)	(0.71,0.59-0.39i)		(0.71, 0.71)	1 1
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Ea,b b	6	7	8	9	10	
6		(0.95,-0.17-0.25i)	(0.71, 0.71)	(0.71, 0.24+0.67i)	(0.3,-0.55-0.78i)	1
7	(0.95,-0.17-0.25i)		(0.29,-0.47+0.83i)	(0.88,-0.02-0.48i)	(1,-0.02-0.03i)	1
8	(0.71, 0.71)	(0.31, -0.57 + 0.76i)		(0.71, 0.25 + 0.66i)	(0.31,0.57-0.76i)	1
9	(0.71,-0.24+0.67i)	(0.85,0.02-0.52i)	(0.71,0.19+0.68i)	_	(0.85,-0.02+0.52i)	1
10	(0.3,-0.55-0.78i)	(1,0.02+0.03i)	(0.29,0.47-0.83i)	(0.88,0.02+0.48i)		1
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ξ <sub>a,b</sub> ∖b	11	12	13	14	15	a
11	<hr/>	(0.71, 0.71)	(0.31,-0.57+0.76i)	(0.71,0.25+0.66i)	(0.31,0.57-0.76i)	$\hat{g}_a$
12	(0.71, 0.71)		(0.51,0.82+0.27i)	(0.71,0.59-0.39i)	(0.86,0.48+0.16i)	а
13	(0.31,-0.57+0.76i)	(0.51, 0.82 + 0.27i)		(0.5,0.87i)	(0,0.95+0.31i)	
14	(0.71,0.25+0.66i)	(0.71,0.59-0.39i)	(0.5, 0.87i)		(0.5,-0.87i)	$\hat{g}_a$
15	(0.31.0.57-0.76i)	$(0.86.0.48 \pm 0.16i)$	(00.95-0.31i)	(0.50.87i)		

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1	2	2	2	5	6	5	5	5	5	11	5	4.71	4.71	4.71
2	/	2	2	5	7	/	4.71	5.19	5.19	12	~	2	2	2
3	/	/	2	5	8	1	<	4.71	4.71	13	~	~	3.18	3.18
4	/	/	/	5	9	/	<	<	5.19	14	/	1	/	3.18

a	1	2	3	
$\hat{g}_a$	$\begin{pmatrix} 1.16 & 0.06 - 0.09i \\ 0.06 + 0.09i & 0.87 \end{pmatrix}$	$\begin{pmatrix} 0.87 & 0.06 - 0.09i \\ 0.06 + 0.09i & 1.16 \end{pmatrix}$	$\begin{pmatrix} 1.02 & 0.06 + 0.17i \\ 0.06 - 0.17i & 1.02 \end{pmatrix}$	
a	4	5		
$\hat{g}_a$	$\begin{pmatrix} 1.03 & 0 \\ -0.36 & 0.97 \end{pmatrix}$	$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$		

а	6	7	8
$\hat{g}_a$	$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$	$\begin{pmatrix} 1.26 & -0.09 + 0.13i \\ -0.09 - 0.13i & 0.82 \end{pmatrix}$	$\begin{pmatrix} 0.97 & -0.34 \\ 0 & 1.03 \end{pmatrix}$
а	9	10	
$\hat{g}_a$	$\begin{pmatrix} 1.04 & -0.09 - 0.25i \\ -0.09 + 0.25i & 1.04 \end{pmatrix}$	$\begin{pmatrix} 0.82 & -0.09 + 0.13i \\ -0.09 - 0.13i & 1.26 \end{pmatrix}$	

а	11	12	13
$\mathring{g}_a$	$\begin{pmatrix} 1.04 & 0.02 \\ 0.36 & 0.97 \end{pmatrix}$	$\begin{pmatrix} 0.97 & 0.36 \\ 0 & 1.03 \end{pmatrix}$	$\begin{pmatrix} 1.02 + 0.0005i & 0.19 - 0.003i \\ 0.19 + 0.003i & 1.01 - 0.0005i \end{pmatrix}$
а	14	15	
$\dot{g}_a$	$\begin{pmatrix} 1.02 - 0.001i & 0.19 + 0.006i \\ 0.19 - 0.006i & 1.02 + 0.001i \end{pmatrix}$	$\begin{pmatrix} 1.02 + 0.0005i & 0.19 - 0.003i \\ 0.19 + 0.003i & 1.01 - 0.0005i \end{pmatrix}$	

$ \hat{z}_{a,b}\rangle$ b	2	3	4	5
1	(1,0.06 + 0.08i)	(1,0.07 + 0.47i)	(1,0.42 + 0.22i)	(1,-1.82 - 2.57i)
2	/	(1,0.31 + 2.08i)	(1,1.86 + 0.99i)	(1,-0.18 - 0.26i)
3		/	(1,0.68 - 0.73i)	(1,-0.33 + 0.94i)
4	/	/	/	(1,1)

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# Algorithm of $A(\Delta_3)$



• We vary the length  $l_{26}$ . It gives a family of boundary data  $r = \mathring{r} + \delta r$ . We obtain numerically a family of curved geometries  $\mathbf{g}(r)$ :

Length variation  $\delta l_{26}$ :  $0.7 \times 10^{-12} \sim 10^{-4}$ Deficit angle  $\delta_h$ :  $1.4 \times 10^{-12} \sim 0.0002$ 

- For each  $\delta_h \neq 0$ , the real critical point is absent.
- Numerically compute the complex critical point z = Z(r) satisfying  $\partial_z S(r, z) = 0$  with Newton-like recursive procedure:

# Algorithm of $A(\Delta_3)$

• We linearize  $\partial_z S(r, z) = 0$  at  $x_0 \in \mathbb{R}^{124}$  (satisfying  $\operatorname{Re}(S) = \partial_g S = \partial_z S = 0$ , but  $\partial_{j_h} S \neq 0$ )

$$\partial_z \mathcal{S}(r, x_0) + \partial_z^2 \mathcal{S}(r, x_0) \cdot \delta z_1 = 0,$$

the solution is  $z_1 = x_0 + \delta z_1$ .

2 Similarly, we linearize  $\partial_z S(r, z) = 0$  at  $z_1$ , the solution is  $z_2 = z_1 + \delta z_2$ .

**3** We linearize 
$$\partial_z \mathcal{S}(r, z) = 0$$
 at  $z_2, \dots$ 

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- (a) We linearize  $\partial_z S(r, z) = 0$  at  $z_{n-1}$ , the solution approximates the complex critical point  $Z(r) \simeq z_n = z_{n-1} + \delta z_n$ .
- **6** Practically, we use n = 4.
- **(**) Absolute Error:  $\varepsilon = \max |\partial_z \mathcal{S}(r, z_n)| \approx 1.31 \delta_h^5$ .

$\delta_h$	$2 \times 10^{-16}$	$2 \times 10^{-12}$	$3 \times 10^{-8}$	$6 \times 10^{-6}$	$4 \times 10^{-5}$	$2 \times 10^{-4}$
ε	$2 \times 10^{-79}$	$4.27 \times 10^{-59}$	$3.19 \times 10^{-38}$	$1.02 \times 10^{-26}$	$1.34 \times 10^{-22}$	$4.2 \times 10^{-19}$

#### Numerical Results

We numerically compute the complex critical point Z(r) for many r corresponding to curved geometries.

We compute numerically S and the difference  $\delta \mathcal{I}(r)$  from the Regge action of the curved geometry  $\mathbf{g}(r)$ :

$$\mathcal{S}(r, Z(r)) = i\mathcal{I}_R[\mathbf{g}(r)] + \delta\mathcal{I}(r), \quad \mathcal{I}_R[\mathbf{g}(r)] = \mathfrak{a}_h(r)\delta_h(r) + \sum_b \mathfrak{a}_b(r)\Theta_b(r).$$

At  $\lambda = 10^{11}, \gamma = 0.1$ ,



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#### Numerical Results

We numerically fit  $e^{\lambda \operatorname{Re}(\delta \mathcal{I})}$  (blue curve) and  $e^{i\lambda \operatorname{Im}(\delta \mathcal{I})}$ 

$$\delta \mathcal{I} = a_2 \delta_h^2 + a_3 \delta_h^3 + a_4 \delta_h^4 + O(\delta_h^5)$$

The best fit coefficient  $a_i$  and the corresponding fitting errors at  $\gamma = 0.1$  are

$$a_{2} = -0.00016_{\pm 10^{-17}} - i0.00083_{\pm 10^{-16}},$$
  

$$a_{3} = -0.0071_{\pm 10^{-13}} - i0.011_{\pm 10^{-12}},$$
  

$$a_{4} = -0.059_{\pm 10^{-9}} + i0.070_{\pm 10^{-8}}.$$

The effective action S is the Regge action plus "high curvature correction":

$$\mathcal{S}(r, Z(r)) = i \mathcal{I}_R[\mathbf{g}(r)] + \delta \mathcal{I}(r),$$

Large- $\lambda$  asymptotic expansion for the integral

$$\int_{K} \mathrm{d}^{N} x \, \mu(x) e^{\lambda S(r,x)} = \left(\frac{1}{\lambda}\right)^{\frac{N}{2}} \frac{e^{\lambda S(r,Z(r))} \mu(Z(r))}{\sqrt{\det\left(-\delta_{z,z}^{2} S(r,Z(r))/2\pi\right)}} \left[1 + O(1/\lambda)\right]$$

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#### Numerical Results

The contour plots of  $e^{\lambda \operatorname{Re}[\delta \mathcal{I}(r)]} \propto |A(\Delta_3)|$ :

 $\gamma = 0.1 \qquad \qquad \lambda = 5 \times 10^{10}$ 



The non-blue regime of curved geometries where  $A(\Delta_3)$  is not small.

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#### Natively,

$$A(\Delta_3) \sim (e^{i\mathcal{I}_R} + e^{-i\mathcal{I}_R})(e^{i\mathcal{I}_R} + e^{-i\mathcal{I}_R})(e^{i\mathcal{I}_R} + e^{-i\mathcal{I}_R})$$
  
= 8 terms

• 8 terms correspond to 2 continuous 4-simplex orientations

+++, ---

and 6 discontinuous 4-simplex orientations:

$$++-, +--, --+, -+-, +-+, -++,$$

• Flatness constraint changes to:

$$\gamma \delta_h^s = \gamma \sum_{v \in h} s_v \Theta_h(v) = 0 \mod 4\pi \mathbb{Z},$$

 $s_v = \pm$  are opposite orientations at the 4-simplex v.

• Given the boundary data  $\mathring{r}$ ,

s	+ + +		+ + -	+	+	-++	-+-	+ - +
$\delta_h^s$	0	0	0.043	-0.043	0.72	-0.72	-0.68	0.68

there are only 2 real critical points with all  $s_v = +$  or  $s_v = -$ .

# Asymptotics of $A(\Delta_3)$

• With 
$$r = \mathring{r} + \delta r$$
 of curved geometries  $\mathbf{g}(r)$ 

$$A(\Delta_3) \sim \left(\frac{1}{\lambda}\right)^{62} \left[\mathscr{N}_+ e^{i\lambda \mathcal{I}_R[\mathbf{g}(r)] + \lambda\delta \mathcal{I}(r)} + \mathscr{N}_- e^{-i\lambda \mathcal{I}_R[\mathbf{g}(r)] + \lambda\delta \mathcal{I}'(r)}\right]$$

contributed by the complex critical points close to these 2 real critical points. Cosine problem is relaxed in this example.

Regge action: 
$$\mathcal{I}_R = \mathfrak{a}_h \delta_h + \sum_b \mathfrak{a}_b \Theta_b$$
,  
High curvature correction:  $\delta \mathcal{I} = a_2 \delta_h^2 + a_3 \delta_h^3 + a_4 \delta_h^4 + O(\delta_h^5)$ ,  
 $\delta \mathcal{I}' = \bar{a}_2 \delta_h^2 - \bar{a}_3 \delta_h^3 + \bar{a}_4 \delta_h^4 + O(\delta_h^5)$ 

# Outline

- 2 EPRL Spinfoam Model
- 3 Real and Complex critical points
- 4 Numerical Implementation:  $\Delta_3$





- σ<sub>1-5</sub>: the complex of the 1-5 Pachner move refining a 4-simplex into five 4-simplices.
- Simplicial complex: 1 internal site, 5 internal segments (red), 10 boundary triangles b, and 10 internal triangles h.

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- Regge geometries g(r) are determined by the boundary data and five lengths l<sub>m6</sub>, m = 1, 2, 3, 4, 5.
- Locally change variables (Heron's formula):  $l_{m6} \rightarrow j_{12}, j_{13}, j_{14}, j_{15}, j_{23}$ .

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- There are 4 DoFs of deformation  $\delta r$  keeping the geometry flat.
- There is 1 DoF  $r = \mathring{r} + \delta r$ .  $\mathbf{g}(r)$  are curved geometries with small deficit angles  $< 10^{-3}$ . The real critical point is absent.



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Insert the asymptotic expansion of  $\mathcal{Z}_{\sigma_{1-5}}$  back in  $A(\sigma_{1-5})$ , we obtain integral over Regge geometries:

$$\left(\frac{1}{\lambda}\right)^{\frac{N}{2}} \int \prod_{m=1}^{5} \mathrm{d}l_{m6} \, e^{\lambda \mathcal{S}(r,Z(r))} \, \mathscr{N}_r \left[1 + O(1/\lambda)\right],$$

we have changed  $dj \to dl$  and r = r(l).

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- Other spinfoam models.
- Observables, e.g., correlation functions.
- More complicated complex.
- Lattice Refinement.
- Classical limit.
- Larger deficit angles and higher order correction.

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#### Poisson summation

The spinfoam amplitude in the integral representation:

$$\begin{aligned} A(\mathcal{K}) &= \sum_{\{j_h\}}^{j^{\max}} \prod_h d_{j_h} \int [\mathrm{d}g \mathrm{d}\mathbf{z}] \, e^{S\left(j_h, g_{ve}, \mathbf{z}_{vf}; j_b, \xi_{eb}\right)}, \\ [\mathrm{d}g \mathrm{d}\mathbf{z}] &= \prod_{(v,e)} \mathrm{d}g_{ve} \prod_{(v,f)} \mathrm{d}\Omega_{\mathbf{z}_{vf}}, \end{aligned}$$

Without changing  $A(\mathcal{K})$ , we insert  $\tau_{[-\epsilon,j^{\max}+\epsilon]}(j_h)$  with  $0 < \epsilon < 1/2$  satisfying:

$$\begin{aligned} \tau_{[-\epsilon,j^{\max}+\epsilon]}(j_h) &= d_{j_h}, \quad j_h \in [0,j^{\max}], \\ \tau_{[-\epsilon,j^{\max}+\epsilon]}(j_h) &= 0, \quad j \not\in [-\epsilon,j^{\max}+\epsilon] \end{aligned}$$

We apply the Poisson summation formula  $\sum_{n \in \mathbb{Z}} f(n) = \sum_{k \in \mathbb{Z}} \int_{\mathbb{R}} dn f(n) e^{2\pi i k n}$  to the sum over  $j_h$ :

$$A(\mathcal{K}) = \sum_{\{k_h \in \mathbb{Z}\}} \int_{\mathbb{R}} \prod_h \mathrm{d}j_h \prod_h 2\tau_{[-\epsilon,j^{\max}+\epsilon]}(j_h) \int [\mathrm{d}g\mathrm{d}\mathbf{z}] e^{S^{(k)}},$$
  
$$S^{(k)} = S + 4\pi i \sum_h j_h k_h.$$

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# Boundary Geometry



- Each 4-simplex is Lorentzian 4-simplex.
- All triangles and tetrahedra are space-like.

The length symmetry

$$l_{12} = l_{13} = l_{15} = l_{23} = l_{25} = l_{35} \approx 3.40,$$
  
$$l_{14} = l_{24} = l_{34} = l_{45} \approx 2.07,$$
  
$$l_{26} \approx 5.44, l_{46} \approx 3.24$$

The coordinates for vertices:

$$P_{1} = (0, 0, 0, 0), P_{2} = \left(0, 0, 0, -2\sqrt{5}/3^{1/4}\right),$$

$$P_{3} = \left(0, 0, -3^{1/4}\sqrt{5}, -3^{1/4}\sqrt{5}\right)$$

$$P_{4} = \left(0, -2\sqrt{10}/3^{3/4}, -\sqrt{5}/3^{3/4}, -\sqrt{5}/3^{1/4}\right),$$

$$P_{5} = \left(-3^{-1/4}10^{-1/2}, -\sqrt{5/2}/3^{3/4}, -\sqrt{5}/3^{3/4}, -\sqrt{5}/3^{1/4}\right),$$

$$P_{6} = (0.90, 2.74, -0.98, -1.70).$$

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 $\delta_h^s$  graph



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### Numerical data for Pachner move

a	1	1 2	
$\tilde{g}_a$	$\begin{pmatrix} 1.02 & -0.06 - 0.17i \\ -0.06 + 0.17i & 1.02 \end{pmatrix}$	$\begin{pmatrix} 0.99 & -0.06 - 0.17i \\ 0 & 1.01 \end{pmatrix}$	$\begin{pmatrix} 0.83 & -0.12 - 0.61i \\ 0 & 1.20 \end{pmatrix}$
а	4	5	
$\bar{g}_a$	$\begin{pmatrix} 0.99 & 0.55 + 0.29i \\ 0.25 & 1.14 + 0.074i \end{pmatrix}$	$\begin{pmatrix} 0.94 & -0.12 - 0.45i \\ 0 & 1.02 \end{pmatrix}$	

а	6	7	8
$\tilde{g}_{a}$	$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$	$\begin{pmatrix} 0.99 & -0.06 - 0.17i \\ 0 & 1.01 \end{pmatrix}$	$\begin{pmatrix} 1.03 & -0.03 + 0.045i \\ 0 & 0.96 \end{pmatrix}$
а	9	10	
$\tilde{g}_{a}$	$\begin{pmatrix} 0.98 & 0.25 \\ 0 & 1.02 \end{pmatrix}$	$\begin{pmatrix} 0.98 & -0.02 + 0.02i \\ 0 & 1.02 \end{pmatrix}$	

а	11	12	13
$\tilde{g}_a$	$\begin{pmatrix} 1.08 & -0.03 + 0.04i \\ -0.03 - 0.04i & 0.93 \end{pmatrix}$	$\begin{pmatrix} 0.77 & -0.08 - 0.62i \\ 0.02 + 0.04i & 1.32 - 0.02i \end{pmatrix}$	$\begin{pmatrix} 0.96 & 0\\ 0.03 + 0.04i & 1.04 \end{pmatrix}$
а	14	15	
$\tilde{g}_{a}$	$\begin{pmatrix} 0.85 & 0.45 - 0.11i \\ 0 & 1.18 \end{pmatrix}$	$\begin{pmatrix} 1.52 & -0.14 + 0.2i \\ 0 & 0.66 \end{pmatrix}$	

a	16	17	18
$\bar{g}_{\alpha}$	$\begin{pmatrix} 1.00 & -0.07 \\ -0.07 & 1.00 \end{pmatrix}$	$\begin{pmatrix} 0.96 & 0.27 + 0.28i \\ 0 & 1.04 \end{pmatrix}$	$\begin{pmatrix} 1.02 & 0 \\ -0.26 & 0.98 \end{pmatrix}$
а	19	20	
$\bar{g}_{\alpha}$	$\begin{pmatrix} 0.96 + 0.01i & 0.19 - 0.06i \\ -0.26 - 0.38i & 0.99 \end{pmatrix}$	$\begin{pmatrix} 1.01 & -0.12 - 0.01i \\ 0 & 0.99 \end{pmatrix}$	

a	21	22	23	
$\tilde{g}_{a}$	$\begin{pmatrix} 0.87 & -0.06 + 0.086i \\ -0.06 - 0.085i & 1.16 \end{pmatrix}$	$\begin{pmatrix} 0.97 & -0.13 - 0.45i \\ 0 & 1.03 \end{pmatrix}$	$\begin{pmatrix} 0.98 & -0.016 + 0.023i \\ 0 & 1.02 \end{pmatrix}$	
a	24	25		
$\tilde{g}_{a}$	$\begin{pmatrix} 1.64 & -0.17 + 0.24i \\ -0.05 - 0.07i & 0.62 \end{pmatrix}$	$\begin{pmatrix} 1.04 & -0.14 - 0.01i \\ 0.26 & 0.99 - 0.003i \end{pmatrix}$		

(ža, b) b	2	3	4	5
1	(1,-0.33 + 0.94 i)	(1,0.08 - 0.69 i)	(0.68 - 0.73i)	(1,0.18 - 1.43 i)
2	/	(1,-0.14 + 1.50 i)	(1,-0.93 + 0.37i)	(1,-0.16 + 0.77i)
3		/	(1,-0.93 + 0.48i)	(1,0.078 - 0.58 i)
4	~	/	/	(1,0.64 - 0.88i)

a b	6	6 7 8		9	10
6	/	/	(1,1.82 + 2.57i)	(1,-1)	(0.18 + 0.26i)
7	(1,-0.33 + 0.94i)	/	/	/	/
8	/	(1,-0.14+1.50i)	/	(1,1.36 + 0.27i)	(1, 4.60 + 6.50i)
9	/	(1, -0.93 + 0.37i)	/	/	(1,-1.11 - 0.072i)
10	/	(1, -0.16 + 0.77i)	/	/	/

(ž <sub>a,b</sub> ) b	11	12	13	14	15
11	/	/	/	(1, 1.77 + 0.806)	(1,9.6 + 13.58i)
12	(1,0.03 - 0.62i)	/	(1,-0.23 + 1.31i)	/	/
13	(1,1.82 + 2.57i)	/	/	/	/
14	/	(1,-0.84 + 0.33i)	(1,1.21 + 0.14i)	/	(1,5.92 + 4.04i)
15	/	(1,0.027 - 0.53i)	(1,6.48 + 9.17i)	/	/

(±,,,)) b	16	17	18	19	20
16	/	~		~	(1,-1.7 - 0.68i)
17	(1,0.87 - 0.48i)	/	(1,-0.82 + 0.58i)	(1, -0.76 + 0.75i)	/
18	(1,-1)	/	/	(1,1.21 + 0.14i)	/
19	(1,1.51 + 0.42i)	/	/	/	/
20	/	(1,0.88 - 0.59i)	(1,-1.20 - 0.13i)	(1,2.54 + 0.65i)	/

(12m,k) b	21	22	23	24	25
22	(1, 0.18 - 1.43i)	/	(1, -0.15 + 0.78i)	(1,0.078 - 0.58i)	(1,0.64 - 0.88i)
23	(1,0.18 + 0.26i)	/	~	(1,4.6 + 6.5i)	(1,-1.11 - 0.072i)
24	(1,5.72 + 8.08i)	/	/	/	(1,4.58 + 3.90i)
25	(1,-1.41 - 0.3li)	/	/	/	~

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