

# **$6j$ -SYMBOLS FOR PRINCIPAL SERIES REPRESENTATIONS OF $\text{SL}(2, \mathbb{C})$ GROUP**

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## SL(2, $\mathbb{C}$ ) GROUP

The group of  $2 \times 2$  matrices with complex entries

$$g = \begin{pmatrix} \alpha & \beta \\ \gamma & \delta \end{pmatrix} \in \mathrm{SL}(2, \mathbb{C}), \quad \alpha\delta - \beta\gamma = 1.$$

$sl(2, \mathbb{C})$  algebra generators  $S_j, \bar{S}_j, j = 0, \pm,$

$$[S_+, S_-] = 2S_0, \quad [S_0, S_\pm] = \pm S_\pm.$$

Explicit realization in the space of complex functions  $\Phi(z, \bar{z}):$

$$S_- = -\partial_z, \quad S_0 = z\partial_z - s, \quad S_+ = z^2\partial_z - 2sz, \quad s \in \mathbb{C}.$$

$\bar{S}_j$  are obtained by  $z \rightarrow \bar{z} = z^*$  and  $s \rightarrow \bar{s} \neq s^*.$

Casimir operator

$$K = S_+S_- + S_0(S_0 - 1) = s(s + 1)$$

Equivalent representations

$$s \rightarrow -1 - s, \quad \text{or} \quad a \rightarrow -a \quad \text{for} \quad a = 2s + 1.$$

General representation

$$[T_a(g) \Phi](z, \bar{z}) = [\beta z + \delta]^{a-1} \Phi \left( \frac{\alpha z + \gamma}{\beta z + \delta}, \frac{\bar{\alpha} \bar{z} + \bar{\gamma}}{\bar{\beta} \bar{z} + \bar{\delta}} \right),$$

where

$$[z]^a := z^a \bar{z}^{\bar{a}} = |z|^{2\bar{a}} z^{a-\bar{a}}$$

Restrictions on the spin variables  $a, \bar{a}$ :

- 1) single-valuedness  $\Rightarrow a - \bar{a} = m \in \mathbb{Z}$
- 2) unitarity with respect to the scalar product

$$\int d^2 z \overline{f_1(z, \bar{z})} f_2(z, \bar{z}) \quad \Rightarrow \\ a = \frac{m + i\nu}{2}, \quad \bar{a} = \frac{-m + i\nu}{2} = -a^*, \quad \nu \in \mathbb{R}.$$

Then,

$$[z]^a := z^a \bar{z}^{\bar{a}} = |z|^{2\bar{a}} z^{a-\bar{a}} = z^m |z|^{i\nu-m}.$$

Infinite-dimensional unitary principal series representation.

Tensor product of two representations

$$T_{a_1} \otimes T_{a_2} \xrightarrow{P(a_1, a_2 | a_3)} T_{a_3}$$

The projection operator

$$\begin{aligned} \Phi(z_1, z_2) &\xrightarrow{P(a_1, a_2 | a_3)} [P(a_1, a_2 | a_3) \Phi](z_3) \\ &= \int d^2 z_1 d^2 z_2 W \begin{pmatrix} a_1, a_2, a_3 \\ z_1, z_2, z_3 \end{pmatrix} \Phi(z_1, z_2), \end{aligned}$$

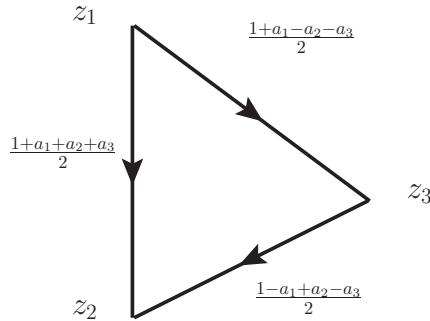
where  $d^2 z = dx dy$  (for  $z = x + iy$ ) Naimark, 1957

$$W \begin{pmatrix} a_1, a_2, a_3 \\ z_1, z_2, z_3 \end{pmatrix} = \frac{1}{[z_2 - z_1]^{\frac{1+a_1+a_2+a_3}{2}} [z_3 - z_1]^{\frac{1+a_1-a_2-a_3}{2}} [z_2 - z_3]^{\frac{1-a_1+a_2-a_3}{2}}},$$

with  $m_1 + m_2 + m_3 \in 2\mathbb{Z}$ . This means that

$$\begin{aligned} [\beta z_3 + \delta]^{a_3-1} [P(a_1, a_2 | a_3) \Phi] \left( \frac{\alpha z_3 + \gamma}{\beta z_3 + \delta} \right) &= \int d^2 z_1 d^2 z_2 \\ \times W \begin{pmatrix} a_1, a_2, a_3 \\ z_1, z_2, z_3 \end{pmatrix} [\beta z_1 + \delta]^{a_1-1} [\beta z_2 + \delta]^{a_2-1} \Phi \left( \frac{\alpha z_1 + \gamma}{\beta z_1 + \delta}, \frac{\alpha z_2 + \gamma}{\beta z_2 + \delta} \right). \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{array}{c} \xrightarrow{\alpha} \\ w \end{array} \quad z = [z-w]^{-\alpha} = (-1)^{\alpha-\bar{\alpha}} \begin{array}{c} \xleftarrow{\alpha} \\ z \end{array}$$



Feynman diagrams for the propagator and 3j-symbol  $W$ ,

$$\frac{1}{[z-w]^\alpha} \equiv \frac{1}{(z-w)^\alpha (\bar{z}-\bar{w})^{\bar{\alpha}}} = \frac{(\bar{z}-\bar{w})^{\alpha-\bar{\alpha}}}{|z-w|^{2\alpha}} = \frac{(-1)^{\alpha-\bar{\alpha}}}{[w-z]^\alpha}.$$

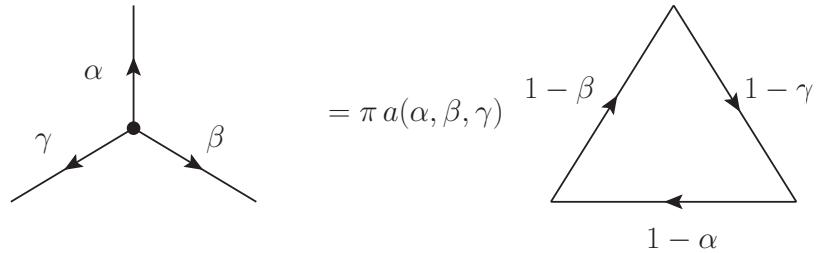
Denote

$$a(\alpha) = \frac{\Gamma(1-\bar{\alpha})}{\Gamma(\alpha)}, \quad a(\alpha, \beta, \gamma, \dots) := a(\alpha)a(\beta)a(\gamma)\dots$$

The chain rule and the star-triangle relation:

$$\int \frac{d^2 w}{[z_1-w]^\alpha [w-z_2]^\beta} = \frac{\pi a(\alpha, \beta, \gamma)}{[z_2-z_1]^{\alpha+\beta-1}},$$

$$\overrightarrow{\alpha} \bullet \overrightarrow{\beta} = \pi(-1)^{\gamma-\bar{\gamma}} a(\alpha, \beta, \gamma) \overrightarrow{\alpha + \beta - 1}$$

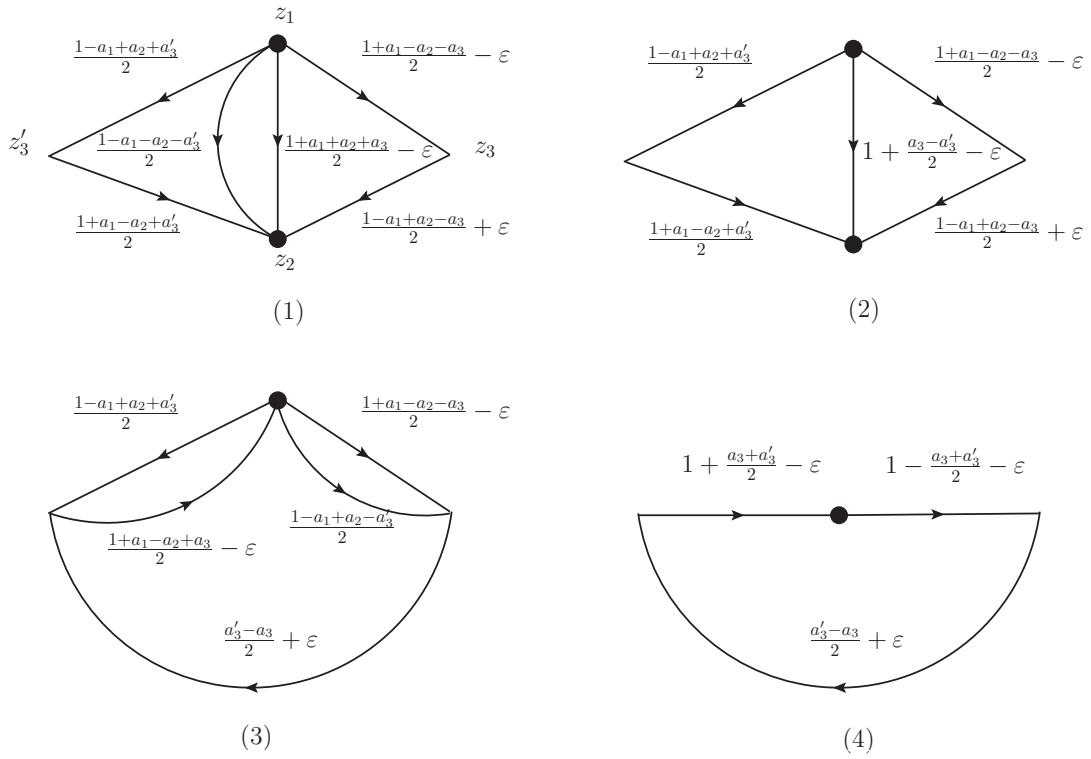


$$\int \frac{d^2 w}{[z_1 - w]^\alpha [z_2 - w]^\beta [z_3 - w]^\gamma} = \frac{\pi a(\alpha, \beta, \gamma)}{[z_2 - z_1]^{1-\gamma} [z_1 - z_3]^{1-\beta} [z_3 - z_2]^{1-\alpha}},$$

where  $\alpha + \beta + \gamma = \bar{\alpha} + \bar{\beta} + \bar{\gamma} = 2$ .

Blobs = integrations over the vertex coordinates.

$$\begin{aligned} & \int d^2 z_1 d^2 z_2 W\left(\begin{array}{c} -a_1, -a_2, -a'_3 \\ z_1, z_2, z'_3 \end{array}\right) W_\varepsilon\left(\begin{array}{c} a_1, a_2, a_3 \\ z_1, z_2, z_3 \end{array}\right) \\ &= (-1)^{\frac{m_1-m_2-m_3}{2}} \pi^2 a \left( \frac{1-a_1+a_2-a_3}{2} + \varepsilon, \frac{1+a_1-a_2+a'_3}{2} \right) \\ & \quad \times a \left( 1 + \frac{a_3-a'_3}{2} - \varepsilon, 1 + \frac{a_3+a'_3}{2} - \varepsilon, 1 - \frac{a_3+a'_3}{2} - \varepsilon, 2\varepsilon \right). \end{aligned}$$



Diagrammatic computation of the integral.

Application of the limiting relations

$$\lim_{\varepsilon \rightarrow 0} \frac{\varepsilon}{x^2 + \varepsilon^2} \rightarrow \pi \delta(x), \quad \lim_{\varepsilon \rightarrow 0} \frac{\varepsilon}{[z_3 - z'_3]^{1-\varepsilon}} = \pi \delta^2(z_3 - z'_3)$$

yields the biorthogonality relation:

$$\int d^2 z_1 d^2 z_2 W \begin{pmatrix} -a_1, -a_2, -a'_3 \\ z_1, z_2, z'_3 \end{pmatrix} W \begin{pmatrix} a_1, a_2, a_3 \\ z_1, z_2, z_3 \end{pmatrix} \\ = \rho^{-1}(a_3) \delta_R(a_3 - a'_3) \delta^2(z_3 - z'_3) + B(a_1, a_2, a_3) \frac{\delta_R(a_3 + a'_3)}{[z_3 - z'_3]^{1-a_3}},$$

where

$$\delta_R(a - a') = \delta_{m m'} \delta(\sigma - \sigma'), \quad a = \frac{m}{2} + i\sigma, \quad a' = \frac{m'}{2} + i\sigma',$$

$$\rho(a_3) = -\frac{a_3 \bar{a}_3}{4\pi^4}, \quad B(a_1, a_2, a_3) = 4\pi^3 \frac{a\left(\frac{1-a_1+a_2-a_3}{2}, 1+a_3\right)}{a\left(\frac{1-a_1+a_2+a_3}{2}\right)}.$$

Completeness relation ( $a = \frac{m}{2} + i\sigma$ ) Naimark, 1957

$$\sum_{m \in 2\mathbb{Z}} \int_{\mathbb{R}} d\sigma \int_{\mathbb{C}} d^2 z \frac{\rho(a)}{2} W \begin{pmatrix} -a_1, -a_2, -a \\ z_3, z_4, z \end{pmatrix} W \begin{pmatrix} a_1, a_2, a \\ z_1, z_2, z \end{pmatrix} \\ = \delta^2(z_1 - z_3) \delta^2(z_2 - z_4), \quad m_1 + m_2 \in 2\mathbb{Z}.$$

A triple tensor product decomposition

$$T_{a_1} \otimes T_{a_2} \otimes T_{a_3} \xrightarrow{P(a_1, a_2 | c')} T_{c'} \otimes T_{a_3} \xrightarrow{P(c', a_3 | \ell)} T_\ell,$$

realized as

$$\begin{aligned} & \Phi(z_1, z_2, z_3) \xrightarrow{P(c', a_3 | \ell) P(a_1, a_2 | c')} [P(c', a_3 | \ell) P(a_1, a_2 | c') \Phi](z) \\ &= \int d^2 z_1 d^2 z_2 d^2 z_3 \int d^2 z_0 W \begin{pmatrix} a_1, a_2, c' \\ z_1, z_2, z_0 \end{pmatrix} W \begin{pmatrix} c', a_3, \ell \\ z_0, z_3, z \end{pmatrix} \Phi(z_1, z_2, z_3). \end{aligned}$$

Another option

$$T_{a_1} \otimes T_{a_2} \otimes T_{a_3} \xrightarrow{P(a_2, a_3 | c)} T_{a_1} \otimes T_c \xrightarrow{P(a_1, c | \ell)} T_\ell,$$

realized as

$$\begin{aligned} & \Phi(z_1, z_2, z_3) \xrightarrow{P(a_1, c | \ell) P(a_2, a_3 | c)} [P(a_1, c | \ell) P(a_2, a_3 | c) \Phi](z) \\ &= \int d^2 z_1 d^2 z_2 d^2 z_3 \int d^2 z_0 W \begin{pmatrix} a_2, a_3, c \\ z_2, z_3, z_0 \end{pmatrix} W \begin{pmatrix} a_1, c, \ell \\ z_1, z_0, z \end{pmatrix} \Phi(z_1, z_2, z_3). \end{aligned}$$

Definition of the Racah coefficients, or  $6j$ -symbols

$$P(a_1, c | \ell) P(a_2, a_3 | c) = \int D_R c' \frac{\rho(c')}{2} R_\ell(c, c') P(c', a_3 | \ell) P(a_1, a_2 | c'),$$

$$= \int D_R c' \frac{\rho(c')}{2} R_\ell(c, c')$$

where  $c' = m/2 + i\sigma$  and

$$\int D_R c' = \sum_{m \in 2\mathbb{Z} \text{ or } 2\mathbb{Z}+1} \int_{\mathbb{R}} d\sigma$$

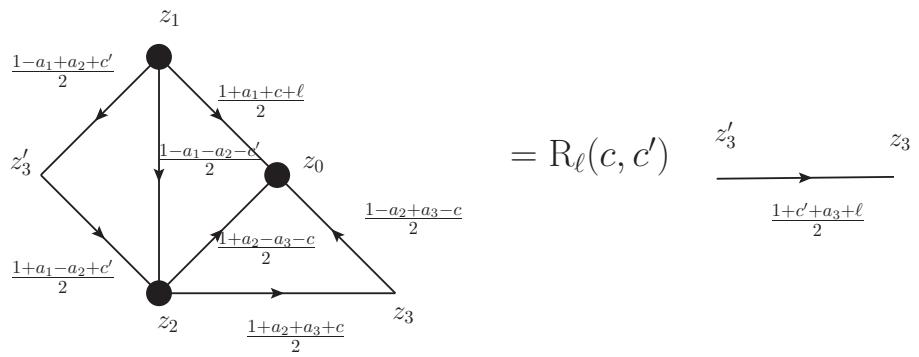
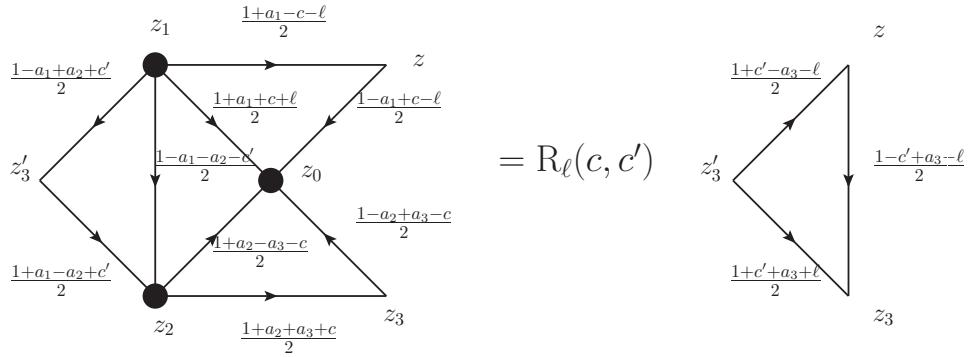
depending on whether  $m_1 + m_2$  is even or odd.

This integral equation is shown on the diagram above.

Multiply by suitable  $W$ -function, integrate and use the biorthogonality relation  $\Rightarrow$

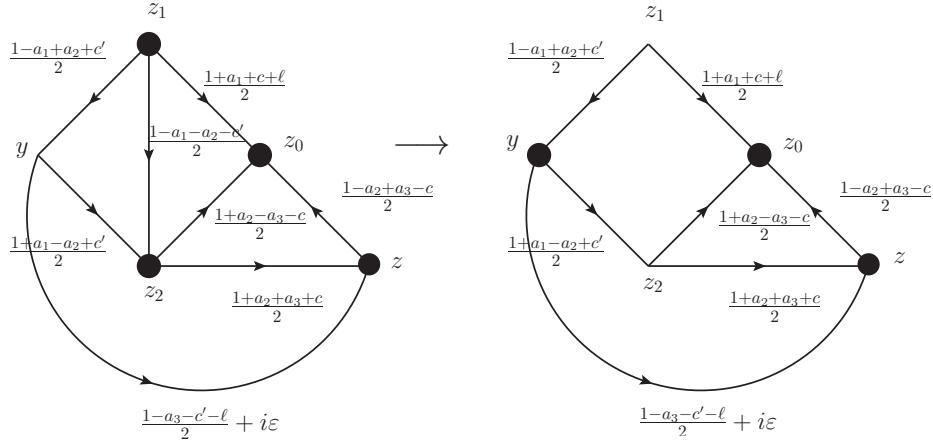
$$\begin{aligned} & \int d^2 z_0 d^2 z_1 d^2 z_2 W \left( \begin{matrix} -a_1, -a_2, -c' \\ z_1, z_2, z'_3 \end{matrix} \right) W \left( \begin{matrix} a_2, a_3, c \\ z_2, z_3, z_0 \end{matrix} \right) W \left( \begin{matrix} a_1, c, \ell \\ z_1, z_0, z \end{matrix} \right) \\ &= R_\ell(c, c') W \left( \begin{matrix} c', a_3, \ell \\ z'_3, z_3, z \end{matrix} \right). \end{aligned}$$

The diagram for this equation is given below.



For  $z \rightarrow \infty$  we obtain

$$\int \frac{d^2 z_0 d^2 z_1 d^2 z_2}{[z_0 - z_1]^{\frac{1+a_1+c+\ell}{2}}} W\left(\begin{matrix} -a_1, -a_2, -c' \\ z_1, z_2, z'_3 \end{matrix}\right) W\left(\begin{matrix} a_2, a_3, c \\ z_2, z_3, z_0 \end{matrix}\right) = \frac{R_\ell(c, c')}{[z_3 - z'_3]^{\frac{1+c'+a_3+\ell}{2}}}$$



Multiply this result by the propagator connecting  $y := z'_3$  and  $z := z_3$  with the index  $i\varepsilon + (1 - a_3 - c' - \ell)/2$ ,  $\varepsilon \in \mathbb{R}$  and integrate over  $z \Rightarrow$

$$R_\ell(c, c') \int d^2z \frac{1}{[z - y]^{\frac{1+c'+a_3+\ell}{2}}} \frac{1}{[z - y]^{i\varepsilon + \frac{1-a_3-c'-\ell}{2}}} = R_\ell(c, c') 2\pi^2 \delta(\varepsilon).$$

Equivalent to (Gorishny, Isaev, 1995)

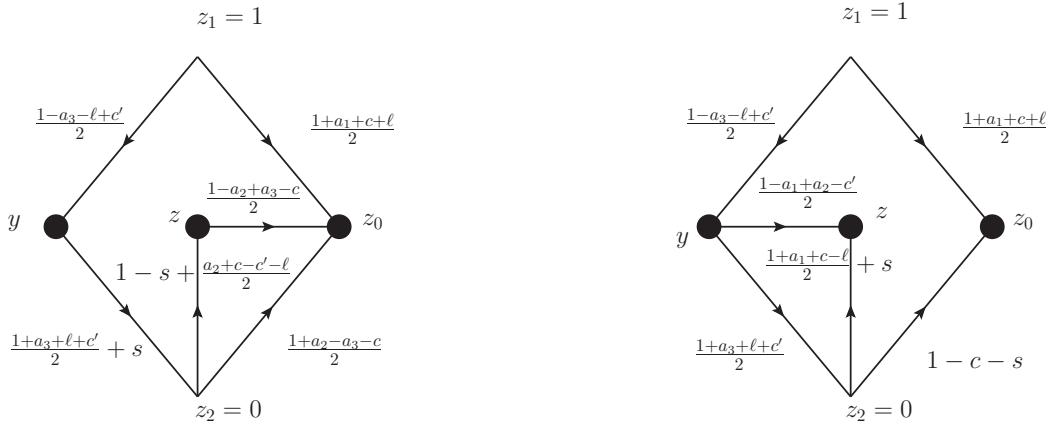
$$\int_{x \in \mathbb{R}} e^{ipx} dx = 2\pi \delta(p).$$

All diagrams obtained from this diagram after removal of any line yield the same coefficient times a propagator.

Remove the line connecting  $z_1$  and  $z_2$  and set  $z_1 = 1, z_2 = 0 \Rightarrow$

$$\begin{aligned} R_\ell(c, c') &= \int d^2 z \Phi_2(a_1, a_2, a_3 | \ell, c, z) \overline{\Phi_1(a_1, a_2, a_3 | \ell, c', z)}, \\ \overline{\Phi_1} &= \int \frac{d^2 y}{[y - 1]^{\frac{1-a_1+a_2+c'}{2}} [-y]^{\frac{1+a_1-a_2+c'}{2}} [z - y]^{\frac{1-a_3-\ell+c'}{2}}}, \\ \Phi_2 &= \frac{1}{[z]^{\frac{1+a_2+a_3+c}{2}}} \int \frac{d^2 z_0}{[z_0 - 1]^{\frac{1+a_1+\ell+c}{2}} [-z_0]^{\frac{1+a_2-a_3-c}{2}} [z_1 - z]^{\frac{1-a_2+a_3-c}{2}}}. \end{aligned}$$

Ismagilov's 2006 result:  $c' \rightarrow -c', m_j \in 2\mathbb{Z}$ .



## Mellin-Barnes representation.

A  $2d$  Fourier transform ( $s = (n + i\nu)/2$ )

$$\frac{1}{[z - y]^\alpha} = \frac{1}{4\pi a(1 - \alpha)} \sum_{n \in \mathbb{Z}} \int_L d\nu \frac{a(1 - s, 1 + s - \alpha)}{[z]^{\alpha-s} [-y]^s},$$

where  $L$  is any contour lying in the strip  $\text{Im}(\nu) \in ]0, -1[$ .

Apply to the propagator connecting  $y$  and  $z$  on the diagram.

The final Mellin-Barnes type representation

$$\begin{aligned} R_\ell(c, c') = & (-1)^{c' - \bar{c}'} \frac{\pi^2}{4} \frac{a\left(\frac{1-a_3-\ell+c'}{2}, \frac{1+a_1+c+\ell}{2}\right)}{a\left(\frac{1+a_1-a_2+c'}{2}, \frac{1+a_2-a_3+c}{2}\right)} \sum_{n \in \mathbb{Z}} \int_L d\nu \\ & \times \frac{a\left(\frac{1+a_1-a_2+c'}{2} + s, \frac{1-a_1-a_2+c'}{2} + s, \frac{1+a_3+\ell+c'}{2} + s, \frac{1-a_3+\ell+c'}{2} + s\right)}{a\left(s, c' + s, \frac{c'+\ell-a_2-c}{2} + s, \frac{c+c'+\ell-a_2}{2} + s\right)}, \end{aligned}$$

where  $s = \frac{1}{2}(n + i\nu)$ .

Residue calculus  $\Rightarrow$  Racah type expression:

$$R_\ell(c, c') \propto \sum_{4 \text{ terms}} {}_4F_3(\dots) \times {}_4F_3(\dots).$$

## Euler-Gauss hypergeometric function

${}_2F_1$ -series:

$${}_2F_1(a, b; c; x) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(a)_n (b)_n}{n! (c)_n} x^n, \quad |x| < 1,$$

$(a)_n = a(a+1)\dots(a+n-1)$  the Pochhammer symbol

The derived  $6j$ -symbols  $R_\ell(c, c')$  should be embeddable to the following **elliptic analogue** of  ${}_2F_1$  function (VS, 2003):

$$V(t_1, \dots, t_8; p, q) = \int_{\mathbb{T}} \prod_{k=\pm 1} \frac{\prod_{j=1}^8 \Gamma(t_j z^k; p, q)}{\Gamma(z^{2k}; p, q)} \frac{dz}{z},$$

$|t_j|, |p|, |q| < 1$  and  $\prod_{j=1}^8 t_j = p^2 q^2$ .

The elliptic gamma function

$$\Gamma(z; p, q) = \prod_{j,k=0}^{\infty} \frac{1 - z^{-1} p^{j+1} q^{k+1}}{1 - z p^j q^k}, \quad |p|, |q| < 1.$$

This is the superconformal index of  $\mathcal{N} = 1, d = 4$  SUSY field theory on  $S^3 \times S^1$  with  $G = SU(2), F = SU(8)$  with fundamental chiral fields.