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On the supergravity formulation of mirror symmetry in generalized Calabi-Yau manifolds

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Abstract

We derive the complete supergravity description of the $N = 2$ scalar potential which realizes a generic flux-compactification on a Calabi-Yau manifold (generalized geometry). The effective potential $\mathcal{V}_{eff} = \mathcal{V}_{(\partial_Z \mathcal{V}=0)}$, obtained by integrating out the massive axionic fields of the special quaternionic manifold, is manifestly mirror symmetric, i.e. invariant with respect to $\text{Sp}(2h_2 + 2) \times \text{Sp}(2h_1 + 2)$ and their exchange, being h_1, h_2 the complex dimensions of the underlying special geometries. \mathcal{V}_{eff} has a manifestly $N = 1$ form in terms of a mirror symmetric superpotential W proposed, some time ago, by Berglund and Mayr.

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1. Introduction

Geometries which generalize Calabi-Yau manifolds in the presence of generic fluxes [1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6] (for comprehensive reviews on flux compactifications see [7]), have received considerable attention, as they realize schemes of compactification which incorporate supersymmetry breaking and moduli stabilization.

On the other hand the scalar potential originating from a compactification on such generalized geometries can be computed, from a supergravity point of view, as a deformation of an $N = 2$ supergravity Lagrangian. This $N = 2$ theory contains hypermultiplets which define a special quaternionic manifold \mathcal{M}_Q , obtained by c -map from the complex special geometry \mathcal{M}_{KS} (of dimension h_1) underlying a mirror Calabi-Yau manifold [8]. The deformation of the $N = 2$ theory is effected as an abelian gauging of the $2h_1 + 3$ dimensional Heisenberg algebra of isometries of the special quaternionic manifold [9]. We denote by $h_2 + 1$ the number of vector fields in the model, and by $h_1 + 1$ the number of hypermultiplets, so that $h_1 = h_{11}$, $h_2 = h_{12}$ in Type IIB setting while $h_1 = h_{12}$, $h_2 = h_{11}$ in Type IIA. The resulting potential for generic fluxes e_I^Λ , $e_{I\Lambda}$ ($I = 0, \dots, h_2$, $\Lambda = 0, \dots, h_1$), was determined in [10]. The condition for an abelian gauging of the Heisenberg algebra requires that

$$e_{[I}^\Lambda e_{J]\Lambda} = 0. \quad (1)$$

The generators of the Heisenberg algebra of quaternionic isometries [11] are denoted by X^Λ , X_Λ , \mathcal{Z} . It is convenient to group the first $2h_1 + 2$ generators in a symplectic vector $X_A \equiv (X_\Lambda, X^\Lambda)$ in terms of which the commutation relations among the Heisenberg generators read

$$[X_A, X_B] = 2\mathbb{C}_{AB} \mathcal{Z}, \quad (2)$$

all the other commutators vanishing. We have denoted by \mathbb{C} the symplectic invariant matrix

$$\mathbb{C} = \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{0} & \mathbf{1} \\ -\mathbf{1} & \mathbf{0} \end{pmatrix}. \quad (3)$$

The adjoint action of the remaining quaternionic isometries on the X_A generators preserves this symplectic structure. These isometries comprise those of the special Kähler submanifold \mathcal{M}_{KS} of the quaternionic manifold, of complex dimension h_1 . The generators X_A are parametrized by $(2h_1 + 2)$ -dimensional $\text{Sp}(2h_1 + 2)$ -vector of axions $Z^A = (\zeta^\Lambda, \tilde{\zeta}_\Lambda)$, originating from the ten dimensional R-R forms, while the central charge \mathcal{Z} is parametrized by the axion a dual to the Kalb-Ramond antisymmetric 2-form $B_{\mu\nu}$. The electric fluxes $e_I^A = (e_I^\Lambda, e_{I\Lambda})$, together with an additional vector c_I , can be viewed as the electric components of an embedding tensor [12] which defines the gauge generators T_I as linear combinations of X_A , \mathcal{Z}

$$T_I = e_I^A T_A + c_I \mathcal{Z}. \quad (4)$$

In what follows we shall suppose that $h_2 < h_1$ and moreover that the rectangular matrix e_I^A have maximal rank $h_2 + 1$. The gauge transformation rules for the axionic fields read

$$\delta Z^A = \xi^I e_I^A ; \quad \delta a = \xi^I c_I + \xi^I e_I^\Lambda \tilde{\zeta}_\Lambda - \xi^I e_{I\Lambda} \zeta^\Lambda = \xi^I c_I + \xi^I e_I^A \mathbb{C}_{AB} Z^B, \quad (5)$$

where $\xi^I(x)$ are the gauge parameters: $\delta A_\mu^I = \partial_\mu \xi^I$. In the Type IIA framework the entries e_I^A with $I > 0$ can be characterized as geometric fluxes describing a deformation of the Calabi-Yau cohomology and e_0^A as the components of the NS-NS 3-form field strength $H^{(3)}$ along the basis of 3-forms labelled by A [5, 9]. The parameters c_I are interpreted as R-R fluxes associated with the forms $F^{(0)}$, $F^{(2)}$, $F^{(4)}$, $F^{(6)}$ in the Type IIA setting, and with the 3-form $F^{(3)}$ in the Type IIB setting.

On the other hand, in order to have a symplectic covariant formulation of this gauging we need to dualize $h_2 + 1$ axions, out of the $h_1 + 1$ Z^A , to antisymmetric tensor fields, along the lines of [13]. This will allow us to introduce the magnetic counterpart m^{IA} , c^I to e_I^A , c_I . For an interpretation of these parameters in terms of generalized Calabi-Yau geometry see [5]. An other way for introducing magnetic fluxes would be to use the duality covariant formulation in [12] which describes at the same time the scalar fields and their tensor duals, coupled to both electric and magnetic vector fields. This procedure would eventually require a gauge fixing to be made and to solve certain non-dynamic equations. In next section we shall choose a different approach consisting in dualizing axions parametrizing abelian quaternionic isometries while keeping the theory covariant with respect to both the symplectic structures on \mathcal{M}_{SK} (i.e. with respect to the group $\text{Sp}(2h_2 + 2)$ of electric-magnetic duality transformations) and on \mathcal{M}_{KS} (i.e. with respect to the group $\text{Sp}(2h_1 + 2)$ acting on Z^A). It is convenient to group the electric and magnetic fluxes e_I^A , m^{IA} into a single $(2h_2 + 2) \times (2h_1 + 2)$ rectangular flux matrix Q

$$Q \equiv (Q_r^A) = \begin{pmatrix} e_I^A \\ m^{IA} \end{pmatrix} \quad (r = 1, \dots, 2h_2 + 2), \quad (6)$$

and introduce the symplectic vector of R-R fluxes $c_r = (c_I, c^I)$.¹ These parameters define a $2h_2 + 2$ dimensional symplectic vector of gauge generators $T_r = Q_r^A X_A + c_r \mathcal{Z}$. The abelianity condition $[T_r, T_s] = 0$ now implies

$$(Q_r^A Q_s^B \mathbb{C}_{AB}) = Q \mathbb{C} Q^T = 0, \quad (7)$$

while consistency of the theory with electric and magnetic charges requires [12, 13, 14]

$$(Q_r^A Q_s^B \mathbb{C}^{rs}) = Q^T \mathbb{C} Q = 0; \quad (c_r \mathbb{C}^{rs} Q_s^A) = c^T \mathbb{C} Q = 0. \quad (8)$$

The above conditions were found in [5, 10, 15]. We shall also use the quantity $\tilde{Q} = \mathbb{C}^T Q \mathbb{C} = (Q^r_A)$. Let us anticipate the main result of the paper, namely the $\text{Sp}(2h_2 + 2) \times \text{Sp}(2h_1 + 2)$ -invariant expression of the $N = 2$ scalar potential \mathcal{V} . We shall denote by z^a ($a = 1, \dots, h_1$) and by w^i ($i = 1, \dots, h_2$) the complex scalars parametrizing \mathcal{M}_{KS} , submanifold of \mathcal{M}_Q , and \mathcal{M}_{SK} respectively. Moreover let $V_1^A(z, \bar{z})$ and $V_2^T(w, \bar{w})$ denote the covariantly constant symplectic

¹Here we shall use the same symbol \mathbb{C} to denote the $\text{Sp}(2h_1 + 2)$ -invariant matrix \mathbb{C}_{AB} and the $\text{Sp}(2h_2 + 2)$ -invariant matrix \mathbb{C}_{rs} , both having the form (3), though different dimensions. Which of the two matrices the symbol \mathbb{C} refers to will be clear from the context, in particular from the dimension of the object it multiplies.

sections on \mathcal{M}_{KS} and \mathcal{M}_{SK} respectively. The scalar potential reads

$$\begin{aligned}
\mathcal{V} = & -\frac{1}{8\phi^2} (c + 2Q\mathbb{C}Z)^T \mathbb{C}^T \mathcal{M}(\mathcal{N}_{SK}) \mathbb{C} (c + 2Q\mathbb{C}Z) - \\
& -\frac{2}{\phi} \bar{V}_1^T \tilde{Q}^T \mathcal{M}(\mathcal{N}_{SK}) \tilde{Q} V_1 - \frac{2}{\phi} \bar{V}_2^T Q \mathcal{M}(\mathcal{N}_{KS}) Q^T V_2 - \\
& -\frac{8}{\phi} \bar{V}_1^T \mathbb{C}^T Q^T (V_2 \bar{V}_2^T + \bar{V}_2 V_2^T) Q \mathbb{C} V_1,
\end{aligned} \tag{9}$$

where $\mathcal{M}(\mathcal{N})$ denotes the (negative definite) symplectic matrix constructed in terms of the real and imaginary part of the period matrix \mathcal{N} on a special Kähler manifold [16]. It then follows that the terms in the first two lines of (9) are non-negative. Note that scalar potential depends on Z^A only through the combinations $QCZ \equiv (Q_r^A \mathbb{C}_{AB} Z^B)$ which do not contain $h_2 + 1$ axions, since it is gauge invariant, provided the matrix Q satisfies (7). These are precisely the axions that are dualized to antisymmetric tensor fields which acquire mass, in virtue of the anti-Higgs mechanism, by eating the vector fields. The combinations QCZ turn out to depend only on $h_2 + 1$ of the undualized axions, which then acquire mass from the potential and can be integrated out. The remaining $2(h_1 - h_2)$ R-R scalars are flat directions. They are absent for a self-mirror manifold, characterized by having $h_1 = h_2$. In this case Q is a square matrix. The condition which fixes the $h_2 + 1$ axions at the extremum value is $c + 2Q\mathbb{C}Z = 0$. After the massive axions Z^A are integrated out we find the effective potential

$$\begin{aligned}
\mathcal{V}_{eff}(\phi, w, \bar{w}, z, \bar{z}) = & \mathcal{V}_{\left| \frac{\partial \mathcal{V}}{\partial Z^A} = 0 \right.} = \\
& -\frac{2}{\phi} \bar{V}_1^T \tilde{Q}^T \mathcal{M}(\mathcal{N}_{SK}) \tilde{Q} V_1 - \frac{2}{\phi} \bar{V}_2^T Q \mathcal{M}(\mathcal{N}_{KS}) Q^T V_2 - \\
& -\frac{8}{\phi} \bar{V}_1^T \mathbb{C}^T Q^T (V_2 \bar{V}_2^T + \bar{V}_2 V_2^T) Q \mathbb{C} V_1.
\end{aligned} \tag{10}$$

This potential is manifestly mirror symmetric, namely symmetric if we exchange \mathcal{M}_{SK} with \mathcal{M}_{KS} and replace Q by \tilde{Q}^T . It is now possible to show, and we shall do it in the last section, that V_{eff} has an $N = 1$ form with superpotential given by

$$W = e^{-\frac{K_{SK} + K_{KS}}{2}} V_2(w, \bar{w})^T Q \mathbb{C} V_1(z, \bar{z}), \tag{11}$$

which coincides with the expression proposed in [17], and Kähler potential of the form

$$\begin{aligned}
K_{tot} &= K_S + K_{SK} + K_{KS}, \\
K_S &= -\log(i(S - \bar{S})) ; \quad K_{SK} = -\log(i \bar{V}_1^T \mathbb{C} V_1) ; \quad K_{KS} = -\log(i \bar{V}_2^T \mathbb{C} V_2),
\end{aligned} \tag{12}$$

K_{SK} and K_{KS} being the Kähler potentials on \mathcal{M}_{SK} and \mathcal{M}_{KS} respectively.

The paper is organized as follows. In section 2. we perform the dualization of the axion a and of those components of Z^A which transform non trivially under the gauge group. We then introduce the magnetic components of the embedding tensor in the resulting Lagrangian. In section 3. we extend the results of [10], using the general formulae of [13, 12], to write the full $\text{Sp}(2h_2 + 2) \times \text{Sp}(2h_1 + 2)$ -invariant scalar potential. Finally in section 4. we make contact with the $N = 1$ potential proposed in [17]. We end with some conclusions.

2. Dualization with electric and magnetic charges

Let us start by introducing the notations. We consider a special quaternionic manifold \mathcal{M}_Q of real dimension $4(h_1 + 1)$, which is parametrized by the scalars

$$q^u = \{\phi, a, \zeta^\Lambda, \tilde{\zeta}_\Lambda, z^a\}, \quad (13)$$

where, from Type IIB point of view, a is the scalar dual to the 2-form NS tensor $B_{\mu\nu}$, $\zeta^0 = C_{(0)}$, $\zeta^\Lambda = C_{(2)}^\Lambda$, ($\Lambda > 0$), $\tilde{\zeta}_0$ is dual to $C_{\mu\nu}$, $\tilde{\zeta}_\Lambda = C_{(4)\Lambda}$, ($\Lambda > 0$), ϕ describes the four-dimensional dilaton and the complex scalars z^a are the Kähler moduli of the Calabi-Yau and span the special Kähler submanifold \mathcal{M}_{KS} of complex dimension h_1 . In the Type IIA description the axions ζ^Λ , $\tilde{\zeta}_\Lambda$ arise as the components of the R-R 3-form along a basis α_Λ , β^Λ of the third homology group $H^{(3)}$ of the Calabi-Yau, while z^a describe its complex structure moduli. We can introduce on \mathcal{M}_{KS} the projective coordinates \mathcal{X}^Λ which define the upper components of a holomorphic symplectic section: $\mathcal{X}^0 = 1$, $\mathcal{X}^a = z^a$. As anticipated in the introduction, there exists a subgroup of the isometry group generated by a Heisenberg algebra $(X_A, \mathcal{Z}) \equiv (X_\Lambda, X^\Lambda, \mathcal{Z})$, whose action of the hyperscalars has the following form:

$$\begin{aligned} \delta\zeta^\Lambda &= \alpha^\Lambda, \\ \delta\tilde{\zeta}_\Lambda &= \beta_\Lambda, \\ \delta a &= \gamma + \alpha^\Lambda \tilde{\zeta}_\Lambda - \beta_\Lambda \zeta^\Lambda, \end{aligned} \quad (14)$$

and which close the algebra (2). Using the notations of [11], we introduce the following one forms

$$\begin{aligned} v &= e^{\tilde{K}} [d\phi - i(da + \tilde{\zeta}^T d\zeta - \zeta^T d\tilde{\zeta})], \\ u &= 2i e^{\frac{\tilde{K} + \hat{K}}{2}} \mathcal{X}^T (d\tilde{\zeta} - \mathcal{N}_{KS} d\zeta), \\ E &= i e^{\frac{\tilde{K} - \hat{K}}{2}} P N^{-1} (d\tilde{\zeta} - \mathcal{N}_{KS} d\zeta), \\ e &= P d\mathcal{X}, \end{aligned} \quad (15)$$

where

$$e^{\tilde{K}} = \frac{1}{2\phi} = \frac{e^{2\varphi}}{2}, \quad ; \quad e^{\hat{K}} = \frac{1}{2\bar{\mathcal{X}}^T N \mathcal{X}} = \frac{e^{K_{KS}}}{2}; \quad (\phi > 0), \quad (16)$$

where φ denotes the four dimensional dilaton and K_{KS} is the Kähler potential on \mathcal{M}_{KS} defined in (12).

The metric on the quaternionic manifold reads:

$$\begin{aligned} ds^2 &= \bar{v}v + \bar{u}u + \bar{E}E + \bar{e}e = \\ &K_{a\bar{b}} dz^a d\bar{z}^{\bar{b}} + \frac{1}{4\phi^2} (d\phi)^2 + \frac{1}{4\phi^2} (da + dZ^T \mathbb{C}Z)^2 - \frac{1}{2\phi} dZ^T \mathcal{M}(\mathcal{N}_{KS}) dZ, \end{aligned} \quad (17)$$

where \mathcal{N}_{KS} is the period matrix on \mathcal{M}_{KS} ², the symplectic matrix $\mathcal{M}(\mathcal{N})$ is defined as follows:

$$\mathcal{M}(\mathcal{N}) = \begin{pmatrix} \mathbb{1} & -\text{Re}\mathcal{N} \\ 0 & \mathbb{1} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \text{Im}\mathcal{N} & 0 \\ 0 & \text{Im}\mathcal{N}^{-1} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \mathbb{1} & 0 \\ -\text{Re}\mathcal{N} & \mathbb{1} \end{pmatrix}, \quad (18)$$

and the axion vector $Z^A = \begin{pmatrix} \zeta^\Lambda \\ \tilde{\zeta}_\Lambda \end{pmatrix}$ was defined in the introduction.

The Killing vectors associated with the abelian gauge algebra generators T_I defined in (4) read:

$$k_I = (c_I + e_I^\Lambda \tilde{\zeta}_\Lambda - e_{I\Lambda} \zeta^\Lambda) \frac{\partial}{\partial a} + e_I^\Lambda \frac{\partial}{\partial \zeta^\Lambda} + e_{I\Lambda} \frac{\partial}{\partial \tilde{\zeta}_\Lambda}. \quad (19)$$

Let us start with the deformation [9] of the quaternionic Lagrangian (17) which corresponds to the chosen gauging of the Heisenberg isometry algebra:

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{L} = & -K_{a\bar{b}} dz^a \wedge \star d\bar{z}^{\bar{b}} - \frac{1}{4\phi^2} (Da - Z^A \mathbb{C}_{AB} DZ^B) \wedge \star (Da - Z^A \mathbb{C}_{AB} DZ^B) + \\ & + \frac{1}{2\phi} DZ^A \mathcal{M}(\mathcal{N}_{KS})_{AB} \wedge \star DZ^B, \end{aligned} \quad (20)$$

where the covariant derivatives are defined as follows:

$$\begin{aligned} Da &= da - c_I A^I - e_I^A \mathbb{C}_{AB} Z^B A^I, \\ DZ^A &= dZ^A - e_I^A A^I, \end{aligned} \quad (21)$$

The electric charges e_I^A satisfy the cocycle condition (1) corresponding to the requirement that the gauge algebra be abelian:

$$e_I^A e_J^B \mathbb{C}_{AB} = 0. \quad (22)$$

As a consequence of the above condition the charges e_I^A select an abelian “section” of the Heisenberg algebra to be gauged. Using e_I^A , we can split the RR scalar fields in two orthogonal sets Z^I, \hat{Z}^A , as follows:

$$Z^A = e_I^A Z^I + \hat{Z}^A. \quad (23)$$

It is also useful to define the scalars $Z_I \equiv e_I^A \mathbb{C}_{AB} Z^B = e_I^A \mathbb{C}_{AB} \hat{Z}^B$. We may define the above splitting in a more formal way by introducing a matrix \tilde{e}_A^I satisfying the conditions

$$\tilde{e}_A^I e_I^B = P^{(+)}_A{}^B; \quad \tilde{e}_A^I e_J^A = \delta_I^J, \quad (24)$$

where $P^{(+)}_A{}^B$ is the projector on the $h_2 + 1$ dimensional subspace corresponding to the non vanishing minor of e_I^A . We also define the orthogonal projector $P^{(-)}_A{}^B = \delta_A^B - P^{(+)}_A{}^B$. Using

²In our conventions $\mathcal{N}_{KS} = i \mathcal{N}_s$ where \mathcal{N}_s is the period matrix used in [11].

these projectors we can define $Z^I = \tilde{e}_A^I P^{(+)}_B{}^A Z^B$ and $\hat{Z}^A = P^{(-)}_B{}^A Z^B$. Note that under gauge transformations

$$\delta Z^I = \xi^I ; \delta \hat{Z}^A = 0, \quad (25)$$

namely the \hat{Z}^A components are gauge invariant. In other words the embedding tensor e_I^A, c_I defines an abelian subalgebra of the Heisenberg algebra spanned by the axions a, Z^I . Our aim is to dualize these scalars. We start from rewriting the vielbein along the \mathcal{L} direction on the tangent space, in the following form

$$da + dZ^I \mathbb{C}Z = da + Z_I dZ^I - Z^I dZ_I - \hat{Z}^A \mathbb{C}_{AB} d\hat{Z}^B. \quad (26)$$

From the above expression we see that, if we make the redefinition $a \rightarrow a + Z_I Z^I$, all the scalars Z^I in eq. (26), and therefore also in (20), can be covered by derivatives and thus a and Z^I can be dualized into closed 3-forms $H = dB, H_I = dB_I$. To this end we introduce a set of unconstrained 1-forms η, U^I replacing the differentials da, dZ^I in the Lagrangian (20) and add the 3-forms H, H_I as Lagrange multipliers. Note that the H_I can be expressed as combinations of $2(h_1 + 1)$ 3-forms H_A and similarly the corresponding antisymmetric tensors B_I can be expressed as combinations of $2(h_1 + 1)$ 2-forms B_A :

$$H_I = e_I^A H_A ; B_I = e_I^A B_A ; H_A = dB_A. \quad (27)$$

The resulting first order Lagrangian reads:

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{L}_Q = & -K_{a\bar{b}} dz^a \wedge \star d\bar{z}^{\bar{b}} - \frac{1}{4\phi^2} (\eta + 2 Z_I U^I - R) \wedge \star (\eta + 2 Z_I U^I - R) + \\ & +(U^I - A^I) \Delta_{IJ} \wedge \star (U^J - A^J) + 2(U^I - A^I) e_I^A \Delta_{AB} \wedge \star d\hat{Z}^B + d\hat{Z}^A \Delta_{AB} \wedge \star d\hat{Z}^B + \\ & + H \wedge (\eta - da) + H_I \wedge (U^I - dZ^I), \end{aligned} \quad (28)$$

where we have used the following notation:

$$\begin{aligned} R &= 2 Z_I A^I + c_I A^I + \hat{Z}^A \mathbb{C}_{AB} d\hat{Z}^B, \\ \Delta_{AB} &= \frac{1}{2\phi} \mathcal{M}(\mathcal{N}_{KS})_{AB} ; \Delta_{IJ} = e_I^A e_J^B \Delta_{AB}. \end{aligned} \quad (29)$$

By varying the Lagrangian with respect to a and Z^I we obtain $H = dB, H_I = dB_I$. The field equations from the variations with respect to U^I and η are:

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\delta \mathcal{L}}{\delta \eta} = 0 &\Rightarrow \eta + 2 Z_I U^I - R = -2\phi^2 \star H, \\ \frac{\delta \mathcal{L}}{\delta U^I} = 0 &\Rightarrow Z_I (\eta + 2 Z_J U^J - R) = 2 \Delta_{IJ} \phi^2 (U^J - A^J) + 2 \phi^2 e_I^A \Delta_{AB} d\hat{Z}^B - \\ & - \phi^2 \star H_I. \end{aligned} \quad (30)$$

Solving the above equations with respect to η, U_I and substituting in the first order Lagrangian we obtain the dual Lagrangian:

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{L}_{QD} = & -K_{a\bar{b}} dz^a \wedge \star d\bar{z}^{\bar{b}} - (\phi^2 - \Delta^{IJ} Z_I Z_J) H \wedge \star H + \frac{1}{4} \Delta^{IJ} H_I \wedge \star H_J - \Delta^{IJ} H \wedge \star H_I Z_J - \\ & - (H_I - 2 H Z_I) \Delta^{IJ} e_J^A \Delta_{AB} \wedge d\hat{Z}^B + H \wedge \hat{Z}^A \mathbb{C}_{AB} d\hat{Z}^B + (H_I + c_I H) \wedge A^I + \\ & + d\hat{Z}^A \tilde{\Delta}_{AB} \wedge \star d\hat{Z}^B, \end{aligned} \quad (31)$$

where

$$\Delta^{IK} \Delta_{KJ} = \delta_J^I; \quad \tilde{\Delta}_{AB} = \Delta_{AB} - \Delta^{IJ} e_J^C \Delta_{CA} e_I^D \Delta_{DB} \quad (32)$$

The dual Lagrangian is invariant under the following gauge transformations:

$$\delta A^I = d\xi^I; \quad \delta B_I = d\Xi_I; \quad \delta B = d\Xi, \quad (33)$$

where the 1-forms Ξ_I, Ξ parametrize the tensor-gauge transformations. We can complete the Lagrangian (28) by adding the kinetic and theta term of the vector fields:

$$\mathcal{L}_{vec} = \text{Im}(\mathcal{N}_{SK})_{IJ} F^I \wedge \star F^J + \frac{1}{2} \text{Re}(\mathcal{N}_{SK})_{IJ} F^I \wedge F^J. \quad (34)$$

It is straightforward to generalize the above construction by including magnetic charges m^{IA}, c^I , according to the following prescription [13]:

- In \mathcal{L}_{vec} substitute F^I by $\hat{F}^I \equiv F^I + m^{IA} B_A + c^I B$.
- In \mathcal{L}_{QD} substitute the topological term $H_I \wedge A^I = e_I^A H_A \wedge A^I = -e_I^A B_A \wedge F^I$ by $-e_I^B B_B \wedge (\hat{F}^I - \frac{1}{2} m^{IA} B_A - \frac{1}{2} c^I B)$. The same for the term $-c_I B \wedge F^I$.

In conclusion the final Lagrangian describing scalar, tensor and vector fields coupled to each other by means of electric and magnetic charges reads:

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{L}_D = & \text{Im}(\mathcal{N}_{SK})_{IJ} \hat{F}^I \wedge \star \hat{F}^J + \frac{1}{2} \text{Re}(\mathcal{N}_{SK})_{IJ} \hat{F}^I \wedge \hat{F}^J - \\ & - K_{a\bar{b}} dz^a \wedge \star d\bar{z}^{\bar{b}} - (\phi^2 - \Delta^{IJ} Z_I Z_J) H \wedge \star H + \frac{1}{4} \Delta^{IJ} H_I \wedge \star H_J - \Delta^{IJ} H \wedge \star H_I Z_J - \\ & - (H_I - 2 H Z_I) \Delta^{IJ} e_J^A \Delta_{AB} \wedge d\hat{Z}^B + H \wedge \hat{Z}^A \mathbb{C}_{AB} d\hat{Z}^B - \\ & - (B_I + c_I B) \wedge (\hat{F}^I - \frac{1}{2} m^{IA} B_A - \frac{1}{2} c^I B) + d\hat{Z}^A \tilde{\Delta}_{AB} \wedge \star d\hat{Z}^B. \end{aligned} \quad (35)$$

The above Lagrangian enjoys the extra tensor-gauge invariance:

$$\delta B_I = d\Xi_I; \quad \delta B = d\Xi; \quad \delta A^I = -m^{IA} \Xi_A - c^I \Xi, \quad (36)$$

provided the following conditions are met:

$$e_I^A m^{IB} - e_I^B m^{IA} = 0; \quad c_I m^{IB} - e_I^B c^I = 0, \quad (37)$$

which are equivalent to (8). The form of Lagrangian (35) is consistent with the construction given in [13]³ as far as the kinetic metric of the tensors and the tensor-scalar couplings are concerned. This is the case since, although we introduce $2h_1 + 2$ tensors B_A formally corresponding to all of the symplectic scalars Z^A , only the combination $B_I = e_I^A B_A$ and B are actually propagating and they mirror the scalars Z^I, a which parametrize an abelian subalgebra of the Heisenberg algebra, due to condition (22). A related observation is the fact that in paper [13] the choice

³In [13] to role of the indices I, Λ is exchanged.

of dualizing the parameters of an abelian algebra was made from the very beginning so that condition (22) was not needed. Let us note that also the combination $m^{IA} B_A$ can be expressed in terms of the only propagating tensors B_I . Indeed we can write

$$m^{IA} B_A = m^{JA} e_J{}^B \tilde{e}_B{}^I B_A = m^{JB} e_J{}^A \tilde{e}_B{}^I B_A = m^{JB} \tilde{e}_B{}^I B_J, \quad (38)$$

where the first of conditions (37) has been used.

3. Scalar potential with electric and magnetic fluxes

The general form of the $\mathcal{N} = 2$ scalar potential is [18]:

$$\mathcal{V} = 4 h_{uv} k_I^u k_J^v L^I \bar{L}^J + g_{r\bar{s}} k_I^r k_J^{\bar{s}} L^I \bar{L}^J + (U^{IJ} - 3 L^I \bar{L}^J) \mathcal{P}_I^x \mathcal{P}_J^x, \quad (39)$$

where the second term does not contribute to the gauging we are considering, which involves quaternionic isometries only since it is abelian. The vectors L^I denote the upper part of the covariantly holomorphic symplectic section V on the special Kähler manifold \mathcal{M}_{SK} parametrized by the vector multiplet scalars $w^i, \bar{w}^{\bar{i}}$. The expression for the momentum maps \mathcal{P}_I^x is:

$$\mathcal{P}_I^x = k_I^u \omega_u^x, \quad (40)$$

where ω^x is the $SU(2)$ connection. This form is Heisenberg-invariant and so is therefore the $SU(2)$ curvature. This justifies the absence of a compensator on the right hand side of eq. (40).

It is useful to rewrite the scalar potential in two equivalent ways:

$$\mathcal{V} = 4 h_{uv} k_I^u k_J^v L^I \bar{L}^J + (U^{IJ} - 3 L^I \bar{L}^J) k_I^u k_J^v \omega_u^x \omega_v^x, \quad (41)$$

$$\mathcal{V} = -\frac{1}{2} (\text{Im} \mathcal{N}_{SK})^{-1IJ} k_I^u k_J^v \omega_u^x \omega_v^x + 4 (h_{uv} - \omega_u^x \omega_v^x) k_I^u k_J^v L^I \bar{L}^J, \quad (42)$$

where we have used the special geometry identity:

$$U^{IJ} = -\frac{1}{2} (\text{Im} \mathcal{N}_{SK})^{-1IJ} - \bar{L} L^T. \quad (43)$$

In order to evaluate the expression on the right hand side of eq. (42) it is useful to compute the following quantity [11]:

$$G_{IJ} = k_I^u k_J^v (h_{uv} - \omega_u^x \omega_v^x) = k_I^u k_J^v [\bar{v} v + \bar{u} u + \bar{E} E - (\bar{v} v + 4 \bar{u} u)]_{uv}. \quad (44)$$

Using the following notation:

$$r_I = c_I + 2 (e_I{}^\Lambda \tilde{\zeta}_\Lambda - e_{I\Lambda} \zeta^\Lambda); \quad s_{I\Lambda} = e_{I\Lambda} - e_I{}^\Sigma (\mathcal{N}_{KS})_{\Sigma\Lambda}, \quad (45)$$

we can express G_{IJ} as follows:

$$G_{IJ} = 2 e^{\tilde{K}} \bar{s}_{I\Lambda} s_{J\Sigma} (\mathcal{U} - 3 \bar{\mathcal{L}} \mathcal{L}^T)^{\Lambda\Sigma}; \quad \mathcal{U} = -\frac{1}{2} (\text{Im} \mathcal{N}_{KS})^{-1} - \bar{\mathcal{L}} \mathcal{L}^T; \quad \mathcal{L} = e^{\frac{K_{KS}}{2}} \mathcal{X} \quad (46)$$

In deriving the above expression for G_{IJ} we made use of the following properties:

$$\begin{aligned} N^{-1}P^\dagger P N^{-1} &= e^K (-N^{-1} + \mathcal{L}\bar{\mathcal{L}}^T), \\ -\frac{1}{2}(\text{Im}\mathcal{N}_{KS})^{-1} &= -N^{-1} + \mathcal{L}\bar{\mathcal{L}}^T + \bar{\mathcal{L}}\mathcal{L}^T. \end{aligned} \quad (47)$$

Now we can evaluate the two equivalent expressions for the scalar potential given in eqs. (41) and (42) [10]:

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{V} &= \bar{L}^I L^J \left[\frac{1}{\phi^2} (c_I + 2e_I \mathbb{C}Z)(c_J + 2e_J \mathbb{C}Z) - \frac{2}{\phi} e_I \mathcal{M}(\mathcal{N}_{KS}) e_J^T \right] + \\ &\quad \frac{1}{2\phi} (U - 3\bar{L}L^T)^{(IJ)} \left(\frac{1}{2\phi} r_I r_J + 8\bar{s}_{I\Lambda} s_{J\Sigma} \bar{\mathcal{L}}^\Lambda \mathcal{L}^\Sigma \right), \end{aligned} \quad (48)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{V} &= -\frac{1}{4\phi} (\text{Im}\mathcal{N}_{SK})^{-1IJ} \left(\frac{1}{2\phi} r_I r_J + 8\bar{s}_{I\Lambda} s_{J\Sigma} \bar{\mathcal{L}}^\Lambda \mathcal{L}^\Sigma \right) + \\ &\quad \frac{4}{\phi} \bar{L}^I L^J \bar{s}_{(I|\Lambda} s_{J)\Sigma} (\mathcal{U} - 3\bar{\mathcal{L}}\mathcal{L}^T)^{\Lambda\Sigma}, \end{aligned} \quad (49)$$

where we have introduced the following vectors: $e_I = \begin{pmatrix} e_I^\Lambda \\ e_{I\Lambda} \end{pmatrix}$. The first equation (48) is useful for those gaugings which involve just the graviphoton A_μ^0 , e.g. Type IIA with NS flux or Type IIB on a half-flat “mirror” manifold [1]. Indeed in these cases the term in the second line of (48) does not contribute for cubic special geometries in the vector multiplet sector since:

$$(U - 3\bar{L}L^T)^{00} = 0. \quad (50)$$

Similarly the expression (49) is of particular use for those gaugings which involve only isometries $\Lambda = 0$, like for instance Type IIA on a half-flat manifold or Type IIB on the “mirror” manifold with NS flux since, for cubic special quaternionic geometries:

$$(\mathcal{U} - 3\bar{\mathcal{L}}\mathcal{L}^T)^{00} = 0 \Rightarrow e^{K_{KS}} = -\frac{1}{8}(\text{Im}\mathcal{N}_{KS})^{-100}. \quad (51)$$

Let us now rewrite the scalar potential \mathcal{V} as a symplectic covariant form in terms of the electric and magnetic charge matrix $Q \equiv (Q_r^A)$ defined in the introduction. To this end we use the covariantly holomorphic symplectic sections V_2 and V_1 , associated with \mathcal{M}_{SK} and \mathcal{M}_{KS} respectively:

$$V_2 = (V_2^r) = \begin{pmatrix} L^I \\ M_I \end{pmatrix}; \quad V_1 = (V_1^A) = \begin{pmatrix} \mathcal{L}^\Lambda \\ \mathcal{M}_\Lambda \end{pmatrix}. \quad (52)$$

Using the properties

$$\begin{aligned} \bar{s}_{I\Lambda} (\text{Im}\mathcal{N}_{KS})^{-1\Lambda\Sigma} s_{I\Sigma} &= e_I^A \mathcal{M}(\mathcal{N}_{KS})_{AB} e_I^B, \\ s_{I\Lambda} \mathcal{L}^\Lambda &= -e_I^A \mathbb{C}_{AB} V_1^B, \end{aligned} \quad (53)$$

the scalar potential \mathcal{V} in (48), or equivalently in (49), has the following $\text{Sp}(2h_2 + 2)$ invariant extension

$$\mathcal{V} = -\frac{1}{8\phi^2} (c + 2Q\mathbb{C}Z)^T \mathbb{C}^T \mathcal{M}(\mathcal{N}_{SK}) \mathbb{C} (c + 2Q\mathbb{C}Z) -$$

$$\begin{aligned}
& -\frac{2}{\phi} \bar{V}_1^T \tilde{Q}^T \mathcal{M}(\mathcal{N}_{SK}) \tilde{Q} V_1 - \frac{2}{\phi} \bar{V}_2^T Q \mathcal{M}(\mathcal{N}_{KS}) Q^T V_2 - \\
& -\frac{8}{\phi} \bar{V}_1^T \mathbb{C}^T Q^T (V_2 \bar{V}_2^T + \bar{V}_2 V_2^T) Q \mathbb{C} V_1,
\end{aligned} \tag{54}$$

where c denotes the symplectic vector of R-R electric and magnetic charges defined in the introduction: $c \equiv (c_I, c^I)$. Note that \mathcal{V} depends only on the gauge invariant component \hat{Z}^A of Z^A and not on the Z^I which have been dualized to tensor fields, in virtue of the property (7)

$$Q_r^A \mathbb{C}_{AB} Z^B = Q_r^A \mathbb{C}_{AB} e_I^B Z^I + Q_r^A \mathbb{C}_{AB} \hat{Z}^A = Q_r^A \mathbb{C}_{AB} \hat{Z}^A. \tag{55}$$

The equation of motion for \hat{Z} imply the following condition

$$c + 2Q \mathbb{C} \hat{Z} = 0, \tag{56}$$

which fixes part of the undualized \hat{Z} axions. To illustrate which of these axions are fixed and which are flat directions let us choose a basis for Z^A so that, if we split the upper index Λ in $\Lambda = (I, \lambda)$: $\det(e_I^J) \neq 0$, $e_I^\lambda = e_{I\Lambda} = 0$. Conditions $Q \mathbb{C} Q^T = Q^T \mathbb{C} Q = 0$ then imply that the only non vanishing components of m^{IA} are described by the non singular matrix m^{IJ} satisfying the condition $m^{I[J} e_I^{K]} = 0$. The combinations $Q \mathbb{C} \hat{Z}$ then single out the only scalars $\tilde{\zeta}_I$, which therefore are the only components of the vector Z^A entering the potential, and thus fixed by condition (56). Therefore in this case the fate of the original Z^A scalars is summarized as follows

$$\begin{aligned}
(h_2 + 1) \ Z^I \equiv \zeta^I & \longrightarrow \text{dualized to tensor fields } B_{\mu\nu I}, \\
(h_2 + 1) \ Z_I \equiv \tilde{\zeta}_I & \longrightarrow \text{fixed by (56)}, \\
2(h_1 - h_2) \ \tilde{\zeta}_\lambda, \zeta^\lambda & \longrightarrow \text{flat directions for } \mathcal{V}.
\end{aligned} \tag{57}$$

Upon implementation of conditions (56), the first term in the scalar potential (54) vanishes, and the resulting effective potential \mathcal{V}_{eff} , as a function of the remaining scalar fields, acquires the following mirror symmetric expression

$$\begin{aligned}
\mathcal{V}_{eff}(\phi, w, \bar{w}, z, \bar{z}) & = \mathcal{V}_{\left|\frac{\partial \mathcal{V}}{\partial Z^A} = 0\right.} = -\frac{2}{\phi} \bar{V}_1^T \tilde{Q}^T \mathcal{M}(\mathcal{N}_{SK}) \tilde{Q} V_1 - \frac{2}{\phi} \bar{V}_2^T Q \mathcal{M}(\mathcal{N}_{KS}) Q^T V_2 - \\
& -\frac{8}{\phi} \bar{V}_1^T \mathbb{C}^T Q^T (V_2 \bar{V}_2^T + \bar{V}_2 V_2^T) Q \mathbb{C} V_1.
\end{aligned} \tag{58}$$

The above formula for \mathcal{V} is manifestly invariant if we exchange \mathcal{M}_{SK} with \mathcal{M}_{KS} and Q with \tilde{Q}^T .

4. Formulation in terms of an $N = 1$ superpotential

In this section we show that the expression for \mathcal{V} in (54) can be described in terms of the $N = 1$ superpotential proposed in [17]

$$W = e^{-\frac{K_{SK} + K_{KS}}{2}} V_2^T Q \mathbb{C} V_1, \tag{59}$$

where $K_{SK}(w, \bar{w})$ and $K_{KS}(z, \bar{z})$ are the Kähler potentials on \mathcal{M}_{SK} and \mathcal{M}_{KS} defined in (12). The scalars of the $N = 1$ theory are $S, \bar{S}, w^i, \bar{w}^{\bar{i}}, z^a, \bar{z}^{\bar{a}}$ and span a Kähler manifold with Kähler potential given in (12). The $N = 1$ scalar potential reads

$$\mathcal{V}_{N=1} = e^{K_{tot}} \left(g^{a\bar{b}} D_a W D_{\bar{b}} \bar{W} + g^{i\bar{j}} D_i W D_{\bar{j}} \bar{W} + g^{S\bar{S}} D_S W D_{\bar{S}} \bar{W} - 3|W|^2 \right), \quad (60)$$

where the covariant derivatives are defined as $D_x W = \partial_x W + \partial_x K_{tot} W$, where $x = i, a, S$. Note that W is S -independent and therefore

$$g^{S\bar{S}} D_S W D_{\bar{S}} \bar{W} = g^{S\bar{S}} D_S K_S D_{\bar{S}} K_S |W|^2 = |W|^2. \quad (61)$$

Let us now use the following properties of special geometry

$$\begin{aligned} g^{a\bar{b}} D_a V_1 D_{\bar{b}} \bar{V}_1 &= -\frac{1}{2} \mathbb{C}^T \mathcal{M}(\mathcal{N}_{KS}) \mathbb{C} - \bar{V}_1 V_1^T, \\ g^{i\bar{j}} D_i V_2 D_{\bar{j}} \bar{V}_2 &= -\frac{1}{2} \mathbb{C}^T \mathcal{M}(\mathcal{N}_{SK}) \mathbb{C} - \bar{V}_2 V_2^T, \end{aligned} \quad (62)$$

and write the relevant terms in $V_{N=1}$

$$\begin{aligned} g^{a\bar{b}} D_a W D_{\bar{b}} \bar{W} &= e^{-\frac{K_{SK} + K_{KS}}{2}} \left(-\frac{1}{2} V_2^T Q \mathcal{M}(\mathcal{N}_{KS}) Q^T \bar{V}_2 - V_1^T \mathbb{C}^T Q^T \bar{V}_2 V_2^T Q \mathbb{C} \bar{V}_1 \right), \\ g^{i\bar{j}} D_i W D_{\bar{j}} \bar{W} &= e^{-\frac{K_{SK} + K_{KS}}{2}} \left(-\frac{1}{2} V_1^T \tilde{Q}^T \mathcal{M}(\mathcal{N}_{SK}) \tilde{Q} \bar{V}_1 - V_1^T \mathbb{C}^T Q^T \bar{V}_2 V_2^T Q \mathbb{C} \bar{V}_1 \right), \\ -2|W|^2 &= -2 e^{-\frac{K_{SK} + K_{KS}}{2}} V_1^T \mathbb{C}^T Q^T V_2 \bar{V}_2^T Q \mathbb{C} \bar{V}_1. \end{aligned} \quad (63)$$

The scalar potential therefore can be recast in the following form

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{V}_{N=1} &= e^{K_S} \left(-\frac{1}{2} \bar{V}_1^T \tilde{Q}^T \mathcal{M}(\mathcal{N}_{SK}) \tilde{Q} V_1 - \frac{1}{2} \bar{V}_2^T Q \mathcal{M}(\mathcal{N}_{KS}) Q^T V_2 - \right. \\ &\quad \left. -2 \bar{V}_1^T \mathbb{C}^T Q^T (V_2 \bar{V}_2^T + \bar{V}_2 V_2^T) Q \mathbb{C} V_1 \right), \end{aligned} \quad (64)$$

which coincides with the expression in (54) provided $\text{Im}S = -\exp(-K_S)/2 = -\phi/8$.

5. Conclusions

We have derived the scalar potential for an $N = 2$ supergravity theory with general electric and magnetic gauging of an abelian subalgebra of the Heisenberg isometry algebra of a special quaternionic Kähler manifold. Although we have only discussed the bosonic action, by applying the results of [13], the full Lagrangian, including fermionic terms and the transformation laws are known. This Lagrangian is supposed to describe the effective theory for a compactification of Type II superstring on a generalized Calabi-Yau manifold, which, in this context, is viewed as a deformation of a Calabi-Yau manifold when general fluxes are turned on. One limitation of this description is that classical c-map has been used to obtain a manifest $\text{Sp}(2h_2 + 2) \times \text{Sp}(2h_1 + 2)$ -symmetric description. It would be interesting to describe a situation in which a quantum c-map [19], encompassing both perturbative and non-perturbative effects for the quaternionic geometry, is used in this context of generalized geometries.

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