

ORBIFOLD EQUIVALENCE: STRUCTURE AND NEW EXAMPLES

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ABSTRACT. Orbifold equivalence is a notion of symmetry that does not rely on group actions. Among other applications, it leads to surprising connections between hitherto unrelated singularities. While the concept can be defined in a very general category-theoretic language, we focus on the most explicit setting in terms of matrix factorisations, where orbifold equivalences arise from defects with special properties. Examples are relatively difficult to construct, but we uncover some structural features that guarantee that certain perturbation expansions (which a priori are formal power series) are actually finite. We exploit those properties to devise a search algorithm that can be implemented on a computer, then present some new examples including Arnold singularities.

1. INTRODUCTION

Orbifold equivalence is a phenomenon discovered when trying to describe well-known ideas connected with the action of symmetry groups (originally in quantum field theories) in terms of abstract category-theoretic terms. It turned out that all the data one is interested in when studying these “orbifolds” can be extracted from a separable symmetric Frobenius algebra – which may, but need not, arise from a group action. The abstraction therefore provides a generalised notion of symmetry which does not rely on groups.

The original formulation led to some rather strong results concerning the classification of rational conformal field theories [21], the more abstract bicategory point of view taken in [15] allows for a wider range of applications, including so-called topological Landau-Ginzburg models.

In the latter context, orbifold equivalence provides a novel equivalence relation for quasi-homogeneous polynomials, leading to unexpected relations between singularities – e.g. between simple singularities of types A and E – and to equivalences of categories associated with them, such as categories of matrix factorisations and of representations of path algebras of quivers. The new equivalence also implies “dualities” between different topological field theories (correlation functions of one model can be computed in another).

The main aim of the present paper is to construct explicit examples of orbifold equivalences, which in the Landau-Ginzburg context are nothing but matrix factorisations with special properties. The method we employ is perturbation theoretic: one first finds a solution to a simpler problem (here: finds a matrix factorisation of a simpler polynomial), then tries to express the solution to the full problem as a formal power series in certain expansion parameters (here: the variables of the complicated polynomial that do not occur in the simpler polynomial). It will turn out that in the situation at hand those formal power series are actually finite.

We start by recalling some basic definitions concerning matrix factorisations [20, 44], then make a few remarks about the mathematics and physics context. The “special property” we demand (namely invertible quantum dimensions) will be addressed in section 2. Our main new results will be presented in sections 3 and 4: We first uncover some structural properties of

graded orbifold equivalences which imply finiteness of the perturbation expansion mentioned above; next we exploit this to set up a search algorithm; then we list examples of orbifold equivalences found in this way.

A rank N *matrix factorisation* of a polynomial $W \in \mathbb{C}[z_1, \dots, z_k]$ is a pair of $N \times N$ matrices E, J with polynomial entries satisfying

$$EJ = JE = W \mathbf{1}_N. \quad (1.1)$$

We can collect E and J into a single matrix Q ,

$$Q = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & E \\ J & 0 \end{pmatrix} \in M_{2N}(\mathbb{C}[z]), \quad (1.2)$$

satisfying $Q^2 = W \mathbf{1}_{2N}$; we have abbreviated $z = (z_1, \dots, z_k)$. This notation is one way to make the inherent \mathbb{Z}_2 -grading of matrix factorisations explicit: Q anti-commutes with

$$\sigma = \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{1}_N & 0 \\ 0 & -\mathbf{1}_N \end{pmatrix} \quad (1.3)$$

and we can use σ to decompose the space $M_{2N}(\mathbb{C}[z])$ into even and odd elements: The former commute with σ and are called “bosonic” in the physics context, the latter anti-commute with σ and are referred to as “fermionic”.

Every polynomial W admits matrix factorisations: First off, any factorisation of a monomial provides a rank 1 factorisation; any polynomial can be written as a sum of monomials; and given a matrix factorisation Q_a of a polynomial W_a and a matrix factorisation Q_b of a polynomial W_b , the so-called tensor product factorisation $Q := Q_a \hat{\otimes} Q_b$ provides a matrix factorisation of $W := W_a + W_b$. This Q is formed as in (1.2) from

$$E := \begin{pmatrix} J_a \otimes \mathbf{1} & -\mathbf{1} \otimes E_b \\ \mathbf{1} \otimes J_b & E_a \otimes \mathbf{1} \end{pmatrix}, \quad J := \begin{pmatrix} E_a \otimes \mathbf{1} & \mathbf{1} \otimes E_b \\ -\mathbf{1} \otimes J_b & J_a \otimes \mathbf{1} \end{pmatrix}.$$

(We choose the symbol $\hat{\otimes}$ for this \mathbb{Z}_2 -graded tensor product, partly to avoid confusion with the ordinary Kronecker product \otimes of matrices appearing in the definition of E and J .)

Unfortunately, it will turn out (see section 3) that matrix factorisations obtained as iterated tensor products of factorisations of monomials of W in general do not have the special additional properties we are interested in.

In the following, we will exclusively focus on *graded* matrix factorisations:

First of all, we assume that the polynomial $W(z)$ is quasi-homogeneous, i.e. that there exist rational numbers $|z_i| > 0$, called the weights of z_i , such that for any $\lambda \in \mathbb{C}^\times := \mathbb{C} \setminus \{0\}$ we have

$$W(\lambda^{|z_1|} z_1, \dots, \lambda^{|z_k|} z_k) = \lambda^{D_W} W(z_1, \dots, z_k)$$

for some rational number $D_W > 0$, the weight of W . Unless specified otherwise, we will assume that $D_W = 2$, achievable by rescaling the $|z_i|$. We will also assume that $W \in \mathfrak{m}^2$ where $\mathfrak{m} = \langle z_1, \dots, z_k \rangle$ is the maximal homogeneous ideal of $\mathbb{C}[z]$. For some applications, it is important that the Jacobi ring $\text{Jac}(W) = \mathbb{C}[z]/\langle \partial_{z_1} W, \dots, \partial_{z_k} W \rangle$ is finite-dimensional as a \mathbb{C} -vector space (i.e. that the singularity defined by W at 0 is isolated), so let us assume this, as well.

We will refer to quasi-homogeneous polynomials of weight 2 as “potentials”, and to the rational number

$$\hat{c}(W) := \sum_{i=1}^k (1 - |z_i|) \quad (1.4)$$

as the *central charge* of the potential W .

In the following, let us use the abbreviation

$$\lambda \triangleright z := (\lambda^{|z_1|} z_1, \dots, \lambda^{|z_k|} z_k) \quad (1.5)$$

for the \mathbb{C}^\times -action.

We call a rank N matrix factorisation Q of a potential W *graded* if there exists a diagonal matrix (the “grading matrix” of Q)

$$U(\lambda) = \text{diag}(\lambda^{g_1}, \dots, \lambda^{g_{2N}})$$

with $g_i \in \mathbb{Q}$ such that

$$U(\lambda) Q(\lambda \triangleright z) U(\lambda)^{-1} = \lambda Q(z) \quad (1.6)$$

for all $\lambda \in \mathbb{C}^\times$. We can set $g_1 = 0$ without loss of generality.

We will assume that $Q(z)$ has no non-zero constant entries. Otherwise Q is decomposable: using row and column transformations, it can be brought into the form $\tilde{Q} \oplus Q_{\text{triv}}$ where Q_{triv} is the trivial rank 1 factorisation $W = 1 \cdot W$.

Probably the first, very simple, example of a matrix factorisation made its appearance in the Dirac equation, but only with Eisenbud’s discovery that free resolutions of modules over $\mathbb{C}[z]/\langle W \rangle$ eventually become periodic [20] was it realised that matrix factorisations can be defined for general potentials and are a useful tools in mathematics.

Later, a category-theoretic point of view was introduced: one can e.g. form a category $\text{hmf}^{\text{gr}}(W)$ whose objects are (finite rank) graded matrix factorisations of W , and where (even or odd) morphisms between two matrix factorisations Q_1, Q_2 of the same potential W are given by the cohomology of the differential $d_{Q_1 Q_2}$ acting as

$$d_{Q_1 Q_2}(A) = Q_1 A - (-1)^{s(A)} A Q_2 \quad (1.7)$$

on $A \in M_{2N}(\mathbb{C}[z])$, where $s(A) = 0$ if A is even with respect to the \mathbb{Z}_2 -grading σ in (1.3), and $s(A) = 1$ if A is odd.

It was shown that $\text{hmf}^{\text{gr}}(W)$ is equivalent to the bounded derived category of coherent sheaves on zero locus of W – and also to categories of maximal Cohen-Macaulay modules; see in particular [38], but also [7]. Among these categories, $\text{hmf}^{\text{gr}}(W)$ is the one where explicit computations are easiest to perform.

Let us also make some remarks on the most notable application of matrix factorisations in physics, namely topological Landau-Ginzburg models. (We include these comments mainly because this context is the origin of some of the terminology; an understanding of the physical concepts is not required for the remainder of the paper.) Topological Landau-Ginzburg models are supersymmetric quantum field theories on a two-dimensional worldsheet; $W(z)$ appears as interaction potential, the degrees of freedom in the interior of the world-sheet (the “bulk fields”) are described by the Jacobi ring $\text{Jac}(W)$.

Within the physics literature, there is strong evidence for a relation between supersymmetric Landau-Ginzburg models with potential W and supersymmetric conformal field theories where a Virasoro algebra with central charge $c = 3 \hat{c}(W)$ acts. The conformal field theory is thought to describe the “IR renormalisation group fixed point” of the Landau-Ginzburg model and motivates the term “central charge” for the quantity (1.4).

Additional structure appears if the worldsheet of the Landau-Ginzburg has boundaries: the possible supersymmetry-preserving boundary conditions are precisely the matrix factorisations Q of W [27, 5, 29, 24], and bosonic resp. fermionic degrees of freedom on the boundary are given by the even resp. odd cohomology H_Q^\bullet of the differential d_{QQ} defined in eq. (1.7).

Correlation functions in topological Landau-Ginzburg are computed as residues of functions of several complex variables (see e.g. [22] for many details): If the worldsheet has no boundary, the correlator of any element $\phi \in \text{Jac}(W)$ is

$$\langle \phi \rangle_W = \text{res}_z \left[\frac{\phi}{\partial_{z_1} W \cdots \partial_{z_k} W} \right], \quad (1.8)$$

see eq. (8) in [43]. In a model where the worldsheet has a boundary with boundary condition described by a matrix factorisation Q of W , one has [28, 24]

$$\langle \phi \psi \rangle_Q^{\text{KapLi}} = \text{res}_z \left[\frac{\phi \text{str}(\partial_{z_1} Q \cdots \partial_{z_k} Q \psi)}{\partial_{z_1} W \cdots \partial_{z_k} W} \right] \quad (1.9)$$

for any bulk field $\phi \in \text{Jac}(W)$ and any boundary field $\psi \in H_Q^\bullet$. The supertrace is defined using the \mathbb{Z}_2 -grading from (1.3), as $\text{str}(A) := \text{tr}(\sigma A)$.

The formula (1.9) is often referred to as Kapustin-Li correlator; a closely related expression will be used, in the next section, to define the ‘‘special property’’ the matrix factorisations of our interest are required to have.

The correlations functions above were first computed in physics, via localisation of path integrals for supersymmetric topological quantum field theories, but they have since been discussed in purely mathematical terms, notably in [34, 18].

Instead of worldsheets with boundary, one can also consider worldsheets which are divided into two domains by a ‘‘fault line’’, and the degrees of freedom on the two sides may be governed by two different Landau-Ginzburg potentials $V_1(x)$ and $V_2(y)$. Such an arrangement is called a (topological) *defect*, and is described [6] by a matrix factorisation $Q(x, y)$ of $V_1(x) - V_2(y)$. Degrees of freedom localised on the defect line are described by the morphisms (bosonic or fermionic) of $Q(x, y)$, analogously to the boundary case.

Boundary conditions of a Landau-Ginzburg model with potential $V_1(x)$ can be viewed as defects between $V_1(x)$ and the trivial model $V_2 = 0$.

Another especially simple situation is that where one has the same potential V on both sides of the defect line. Then one can define the *identity defect* (in the Landau-Ginzburg context sometimes referred to as ‘‘invisible defect’’), denoted I_V . This takes the form of a nested tensor product $I_V := Q_{(1)} \hat{\otimes} \cdots \hat{\otimes} Q_{(n)}$ of rank 1 matrix factorisations $Q_{(i)}$, each formed according to (1.2) from

$$E_{(i)} = [V(x_1, \dots, x_i, y_{i+1}, \dots, y_n) - V(x_1, \dots, x_{i-1}, y_i, \dots, y_n)] / (x_i - y_i), \quad J_{(i)} = x_i - y_i. \quad (1.10)$$

Topological defects come with additional structure, called the fusion product: In the fault line picture, two defect lines which partition a worldsheet into three regions, with potentials $V_1(x)$, $V_3(x')$ in the outer regions and $V_2(y)$ in the middle, can be moved on top of each other, leaving a single defect between $V_1(x)$ and $V_3(x')$. In terms of matrix factorisations, the tensor product $Q_{12}(x, y) \hat{\otimes} Q_{23}(y, x')$ of two matrix factorisations $Q_{12}(x, y)$ of $V_1(x) - V_2(y)$ and $Q_{23}(y, x')$ of $V_2(y) - V_3(x')$ is a matrix factorisation of $V_1(x) - V_3(x')$. This has infinite rank over $\mathbb{C}[x, x']$, but is equivalent (by a similarity transformation) to a finite-rank defect [6] depending on x, x' only; extracting this finite rank defect yields a representative of the fusion product $Q_{12} \star Q_{23}$. The full construction is somewhat technical (it involves finding and splitting an idempotent morphism of the tensor product, see [10, 35] for details), but implementable on a computer.

A concrete mathematical application of defects appeared in the work of Khovanov and Rozansky [30], who proposed to use matrix factorisations to define link invariants that generalise those

of Reshetikhin-Turaev (“categorification of the Jones polynomial”). These invariants were made explicitly computable using the fusion product in [10].

At a more abstract level, topological defects in Landau-Ginzburg models, together with structures such as the fusion product, form a bicategory \mathcal{LG} (see e.g. Defs. 2.1 and 2.7 and Prop. 2.8 in [11]), where objects are given by Landau-Ginzburg potentials, 1-morphisms by defects between two potentials (i.e. matrix factorisations of the difference), and 2-morphisms by morphisms (as occurring in (1.7)) of those matrix factorisations. This bicategory is “graded pivotal” (see [11] Prop. 7.2), in particular it has adjoints: for each 1-morphism Q , i.e. each defect between $V_1(x)$ and $V_2(y)$, the right adjoint Q^\dagger , a defect between $V_2(y)$ and $V_1(x)$, is given by

$$Q^\dagger = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & J^T \\ -E^T & 0 \end{pmatrix}. \quad (1.11)$$

(This equation holds if the number of y -variables is even, otherwise there is an additional exchange of E and J ; see [11, 15, 12] for details, which will not play a role in what follows.) The identity defect provides a unit 1-morphism in $\text{End}(V)$ with respect to the fusion product (see e.g. [11], Sect. 2).

A detailed knowledge of category theory is not required to understand the results of the present paper. Indeed, while the category framework is convenient, perhaps even indispensable, to develop the notion of orbifold equivalence and to fully appreciate its wide-ranging applications (including possible extension to higher-dimensional topological field theories), the pedestrian approach via explicit matrix factorisations seems much better suited to construct examples.

2. ORBIFOLD EQUIVALENCE

2.1. Definition and general properties. We now come to the definition of the “special property” we require the defects of interest to have. In the following, let $V_1 \in \mathbb{C}[x]$ and $V_2 \in \mathbb{C}[y]$, where $x = (x_1, \dots, x_n)$ and $y = (y_1, \dots, y_m)$, be two potentials.

Definition 2.1: V_1 and V_2 are *orbifold equivalent* if there exists a (graded) matrix factorisation $Q(x, y)$ of $V_1(x) - V_2(y)$ for which the quantum dimensions $q_L(Q)$ and $q_R(Q)$ are invertible. The *quantum dimensions* of Q are defined as

$$\begin{aligned} q_L(Q) &= (-1)^{\binom{m+1}{2}} \text{res}_x \left[\frac{\text{str}(\partial_{x_1} Q \cdots \partial_{x_n} Q \cdot \partial_{y_1} Q \cdots \partial_{y_m} Q)}{\partial_{x_1} V_1 \cdots \partial_{x_n} V_1} \right] \\ q_R(Q) &= (-1)^{\binom{n+1}{2}} \text{res}_y \left[\frac{\text{str}(\partial_{x_1} Q \cdots \partial_{x_n} Q \cdot \partial_{y_1} Q \cdots \partial_{y_m} Q)}{\partial_{y_1} V_2 \cdots \partial_{y_m} V_2} \right] \end{aligned} \quad (2.1)$$

As in (1.9), we have used $\text{str}(A) = \text{tr}(\sigma A)$ to abbreviate the supertrace, defined with the help of the \mathbb{Z}_2 -grading from (1.3).

We will call such a Q an orbifold equivalence between V_1 and V_2 , and we will write $V_1 \sim_{\text{oeq}} V_2$ to indicate that V_1 and V_2 are orbifold equivalent.

We will see below that, in the graded case, the quantum dimensions are complex numbers, so “invertible” simply means “non-zero”.

The quantum dimensions in (2.1) are defined using a specific ordering of variables, but one can show that permutations of the variables leave the values invariant up to a sign (using e.g. Lemma A.2 in [19]). Notice also the close similarity of (2.1) to the Kapustin-Li correlator; this will play a role in section 3.

One could in principle drop the requirement that Q is a graded matrix factorisation (or even that V_1 and V_2 are quasi-homogeneous), the quantum dimensions can be computed for any matrix with polynomial entries. Not much is known in this general situation, so we restrict ourselves to quasi-homogeneous potentials and graded matrix factorisations in this paper.

We summarise some abstract properties of the notions of orbifold equivalence and quantum dimensions in a theorem; all statements were proven before, see [11, 14, 15, 13] and references therein:

Theorem 2.2:

- (a) \sim_{oeq} is an equivalence relation; see [13] Thm. 1.1.
- (b) Knörrer periodicity: $V_1 \sim_{\text{oeq}} V_1 + y_1^2 + y_2^2$, where $V_1 + y_1^2 + y_2^2 \in \mathbb{C}[x, y_1, y_2]$; see [15] Sect. 7.2 and [13] Prop. 1.2.
- (c) If $V_1(x) \sim_{\text{oeq}} V_2(y)$ and $V_3(x') \sim_{\text{oeq}} V_4(y')$, then $V_1(x) + V_3(x') \sim_{\text{oeq}} V_2(y) + V_4(y')$; see [13] Prop. 1.2. (Note that in this relation each potential depends on a separate set of variables.)
- (d) The quantum dimensions do not change under similarity transformations, i.e. $q_L(Q) = q_L(UQU^{-1})$ for any invertible even matrix U with entries in $\mathbb{C}[x, y]$; analogously for $q_R(Q)$; see [14] Lemma 3.1.
- (e) The quantum dimensions are additive with respect to forming direct sums: if Q and \tilde{Q} are two matrix factorisations of $V_1 - V_2$, then $q_L(Q \oplus \tilde{Q}) = q_L(Q) + q_L(\tilde{Q})$, and analogously for $q_R(Q \oplus \tilde{Q})$.
- (f) Up to signs, the quantum dimensions are multiplicative with respect to fusion products $Q \star \tilde{Q}$, and with respect to forming tensor products $Q_{12}(x, y) \hat{\otimes} Q_{34}(x', y')$ where Q_{12} and Q_{34} constitute matrix factorisations of $V_1(x) - V_2(y)$ and $V_3(x') - V_4(y')$, respectively, cf. item (c); see [11] Prop. 8.5 or [15] Thm. 6.1.
- (g) Passing to the adjoint defect interchanges left and right quantum dimensions: $q_L(Q^\dagger) = q_R(Q)$ and $q_R(Q^\dagger) = q_L(Q)$; see [11] Prop. 8.5 or [15] Thm. 6.1.

A quantity of central importance in the bicategory treatment of orbifold equivalences is $A(Q) := Q^\dagger \star Q$, sometimes called “symmetry defect” [3, 4, 15]. This fusion product is a defect from V_2 to itself, and it can be shown (see Cor. 1.6 in [15]) that

$$\text{hmf}^{\text{gr}}(V_1) \simeq \text{mod}(Q^\dagger \star Q) \quad (2.2)$$

where the right hand side denotes the category of modules over $A(Q)$, consisting of matrix factorisations of V_2 on which the defect $A(Q)$ acts via the fusion product. This equivalence of categories is one of several relations existing between structures associated to V_1 and to V_2 as soon as the two potentials are orbifold equivalent.

Within the domain of Landau-Ginzburg models, orbifold equivalence leads to a “duality” of the two topological field theories: bulk correlators in the V_1 -model can be computed as correlators in the V_2 -model enriched by defect lines carrying the defect $A(Q)$ – see e.g. [15] for a nice pictorial presentation of this fact.

All one needs to prove these statements in the bicategory language is that $A(Q)$ is a “separable symmetric Frobenius algebra” (see e.g. Def. 2.1 in [15]).

Explicit computations involving $A(Q)$ can become rather tedious when dealing with complicated orbifold equivalences. However, there is a very simple numerical *invariant* which contains useful information, namely the (left or right) quantum dimension of $A(Q)$: Using the facts

collected in Theorem 2.2, we find

$$q_L(A(Q)) = q_L(Q^\dagger)q_L(Q) = q_L(Q)q_R(Q) = q_R(A(Q)). \quad (2.3)$$

E.g., assume that Q is an indecomposable defect (i.e. not similar to a direct sum) and has $q_L(A(Q)) \neq \pm 1$; then Q is a “true orbifold equivalence” rather than a “mere equivalence” in the bicategory \mathcal{LG} , i.e. there cannot be a \tilde{Q} such that $Q \star \tilde{Q}$ and $\tilde{Q} \star Q$ are similar to the unit 1-morphisms I_{V_1} and I_{V_2} of V_1 resp. V_2 (see the next subsection for the definition of I_V).

Perhaps more interestingly, an orbifold equivalence Q does not arise from the action of a finite symmetry group on the potential unless $q_L(A(Q))$ is contained in some cyclotomic field: this follows from constraints on the quantum dimensions of orbifold equivalences associated with group actions, see the remarks in the next subsection.

By definition, orbifold equivalence describes a property of a pair of potentials, a defect between them with non-vanishing quantum dimensions merely needs to exist. Ultimately, one would like to be able to read off directly from the potentials whether they are orbifold equivalent or not. So far, however, only the following two facts are known to be necessary criteria for (graded) orbifold equivalence:

Proposition 2.3: Using the notation from Def. 2.1, $V_1(x)$ and $V_2(y)$ are orbifold equivalent only if the total number of variables $n + m$ is even and only if the two potentials have the same central charge, $\hat{c}(V_1) = \hat{c}(V_2)$.

Both statements were proven in [15], in Prop. 6.2 resp. Prop. 6.4; we will give a slightly modified derivation in section 3.

If two potentials V_1 and V_2 have the same central charge but an odd total number of variables, one can still ask if $V_1 + x_{n+1}^2$ is orbifold equivalent to V_2 (or if V_1 is orbifold equivalent to $V_2 + y_{m+1}^2$): adding such squares does not change the central charge.

Assuming the total number of variables to be even, a natural question is whether equality of central charges is already sufficient for the existence of (graded) orbifold equivalences. We will make a few comments on this in section 5.

2.2. Known examples. We briefly recapitulate the examples of orbifold equivalences known so far.

(a) The identity defect I_V from eq. (1.10) provides an orbifold equivalence between the potential V and itself, with quantum dimensions $q_L(I_V) = q_R(I_V) = 1$, see e.g. [11], Prop 8.5.

(b) The example from which “orbifold equivalences” derive their name involves a symmetry group G (the “orbifold group”) of the potential V , a finite subgroup of $\mathbb{C}[x]$ -automorphisms which leaves V invariant. Then one can, for each $g \in G$, construct “twisted” identity defects I_V^g formed in the same manner as I_V in (1.10) except that each J_i is replaced with $J_i^g = x_i - g(y_i)$, and E_i replaced accordingly. Details are given in [6, 15, 3, 4], where it is also shown that the quantum dimensions of I_V^g are given by $\det(g)^{\pm 1}$, see e.g. eq. (3.13) in [3]. (Hence, the quantum dimensions of I_V^g are contained in the cyclotomic field determined by the order of the symmetry group G .) In this special situation, the symmetry defect $A(Q)$ from above is given by the separable symmetric Frobenius algebra $A(Q) = \bigoplus_{g \in G} I_V^g$, from which one can extract complete information about the orbifolded topological Landau-Ginzburg model – without recourse to the fact that $A(Q)$ arose from a group action.

(c) The most interesting orbifold equivalences so far have been found for simple singularities of ADE type [15, 13]. The potentials are

$$\begin{aligned} V_{A_n}(x_1, x_2) &= x_1^{n+1} + x_2^2, & V_{D_d}(x_1, x_2) &= x_1^{d-1} + x_1x_2^2, & V_{E_6}(x_1, x_2) &= x_1^3 + x_2^4, \\ V_{E_7}(x_1, x_2) &= x_1^3 + x_1x_2^3, & V_{E_8}(x_1, x_2) &= x_1^3 + x_2^5 \end{aligned} \tag{2.4}$$

with $n \geq 1$ and $d \geq 4$. The corresponding Landau-Ginzburg models are related to so-called $N = 2$ superconformal minimal models with central charge $\hat{c} < 1$. It turns out that whenever two of these potentials have the same central charge, they are also orbifold equivalent; the classes with more than one representative are $\{A_{d-1}, D_{d/2+1}\}$ for even d not equal to 12, 18 or 30, and $\{A_{11}, D_7, E_6\}$, $\{A_{17}, D_{10}, E_7\}$ and $\{A_{29}, D_{16}, E_8\}$. The A - D orbifold equivalences are related to (simple current) orbifolds in the CFT context, but the A - E orbifold equivalences do not arise from any group action [13]; they are examples of “symmetries” beyond groups.

For the purposes of elucidating some general observations to be made later, and also of conveying an idea of the typical complexity of the matrix factorisations involved, we reproduce a *concrete example* of an orbifold equivalence from [13], namely that between $V_{A_{11}} = x_1^{12} + x_2^2$ and $V_{E_6} = y_1^3 + y_2^4$. In this case, the smallest possible (see subsection 3.2) orbifold equivalence is of rank 2. With Q formed from E and J as in (1.2), the matrix elements of E are given by

$$\begin{aligned} E_{11} &= y_2^2 - x_2 + \frac{1}{2}y_1(sx_1)^2 + \frac{2t+1}{8}(sx_1)^6 \\ E_{12} &= -y_1 + y_2(sx_1) + \frac{t+1}{4}(sx_1)^4 \\ E_{21} &= y_1^2 + y_1y_2(sx_1) + \frac{t}{4}y_1(sx_1)^4 + \frac{2t+1}{4}y_2(sx_1)^5 - \frac{9t+5}{48}(sx_1)^8 \\ E_{22} &= y_2^2 + x_2 + \frac{1}{2}y_1(sx_1)^2 + \frac{2t+1}{8}(sx_1)^6 \end{aligned} \tag{2.5}$$

$J = -\text{adjugate}(E)$, where the complex coefficients s, t satisfy the algebraic equations

$$t^2 = 1/3, \quad s^{12} = -576(26t - 15).$$

This defect has non-zero quantum dimensions, namely $q_L(Q) = s$, $q_R(Q) = 3(1 - t)/s$.

(d) In [36], an explicit rank 4 orbifold equivalence was written down between two of the fourteen (quasi-homogeneous) exceptional unimodal Arnold singularities (listed e.g. in [1]), namely between E_{14} and Q_{10} described by the potentials

$$V_{E_{14}}(x) = x_1^8 + x_2^2 + x_3^3 \quad \text{and} \quad V_{Q_{10}}(y) = y_1^4 + y_1y_2^2 + y_3^3,$$

both having central charge $\hat{c} = \frac{13}{12}$. However, one should notice that this orbifold equivalence already follows from the A - D results of [15] and the general property Theorem 2.2 (c): One has $V_{E_{14}}(x) = V_{A_7}(x_1, x_2) + x_3^3$ and $V_{Q_{10}}(y) = V_{D_5}(y_1, y_2) + y_3^3$, and $V_{A_7} \sim_{\text{oeq}} V_{D_5}$.

In the same way, one can of course construct other orbifold equivalences at arbitrarily high central charge, simply by adding up potentials describing suitable simple singularities with $\hat{c} < 1$.

3. SOME STRUCTURAL RESULTS ON ORBIFOLD EQUIVALENCES

If one tries to generate examples of orbifold equivalences truly beyond simple singularities, one soon realises that the approach taken in [13] is neither general nor systematic enough. In that work, the method employed to find expressions like (2.5) was to set one of the variables x_i, y_j occurring in $W(x, y) = V_1(x) - V_2(y)$ to zero, to pick some simple matrix factorisation \tilde{Q} of the resulting potential \tilde{W} and to complete \tilde{Q} to a graded matrix factorisation $Q(x, y)$ of the full $W(x, y)$ using quasi-homogeneous entries that contain the missing variable – under additional simplifying constraints such as $J = -\text{adjugate}(E)$. But as soon as one has to cope with a larger number of variables, or higher rank, one needs a lot of luck to hit a good starting point \tilde{Q} .

Nevertheless, the computations in [13] contain germs of ideas which can be formulated in general terms and exploited in a systematic manner. In this section, we will show that every graded orbifold equivalence has a (finite) perturbation expansion, a structure from which one can draw some general conclusion on the form $Q(x, y)$ must take. The grading is a crucial ingredient, and we will present a constraint on the allowed grading matrices in subsection 3.2. Together with the perturbative structure, this will enable us to devise a relatively efficient search algorithm for orbifold equivalences in section 4.

3.1. Orbifold equivalences as graded perturbations. Given a matrix factorisation Q of a potential W , one can ask whether Q , or the differential d_{QQ} associated with it, admits deformations. As is familiar in the context of deformation theory, deformation directions are controlled by Ext^1 – or H_Q^1 , the space of boundary fermions –, obstructions by Ext^2 – or H_Q^0 . References and some results can e.g. be found in [9].

We will now show that graded orbifold equivalences, or indeed any graded defect between $V_1(x)$ and $V_2(y)$, can be naturally viewed as a deformation of a matrix factorisation of $V_1(x)$, with the variables y_j featuring as deformation parameters and $-V_2(y)\mathbf{1}_{2N}$ as obstruction term. In contrast to the usual procedure in deformation theory, we will not restrict to the vanishing locus of the obstruction term.

That the defect is graded will turn out to have a very desirable consequence: the perturbation expansion terminates after finitely many steps. (At first glance, this appears to follow already from the fact that the potentials and the entries of our matrix factorisations are polynomials; but recall that one has $1 = (1 - x) \cdot (1 + x + x^2 + \dots)$, as formal power series. The grading is crucial in excluding such effects.)

For the following discussion, it is convenient to introduce some further notions concerning graded matrix factorisations: Let $U(\lambda)$ be a grading matrix as in (1.6). Borrowing some further physics terminology, we say that a matrix $A \in M_{2N}(\mathbb{C}[z])$ has “R-charge” R wrt. the grading $U(\lambda)$ if

$$U(\lambda) A(\lambda \triangleright z) U(\lambda)^{-1} = \lambda^R A(z). \quad (3.1)$$

(The graded matrix factorisation Q in (1.6) then has R-charge 1.)

This relation implies that the entries A_{rs} of A are quasi-homogeneous polynomials in the z_i . Their weights can be computed from the grading matrix as

$$w(A_{rs}) = g_s - g_r + R \quad \text{for } r, s = 1, \dots, 2N. \quad (3.2)$$

In the special case $A = Q$ we will sometimes write $w(Q)$ for the matrix formed from the $w(Q_{rs})$ and call it the weight matrix of Q ; analogously we will use $w(E)$, $w(J)$ for the weight matrices of E and J related to Q as in (1.2).

By way of a brief excursion, and also as a step towards a proof of Prop. 2.3, let us use the notion of R-charges to provide a self-contained derivation of a statement that is well-known in the physics literature on topological Landau Ginzburg models, namely that the correlators (1.8, 1.9) have a “background charge”. Instead of employing arguments from an underlying twisted conformal field theory, this can be derived from properties of the residue. We focus on the Kapustin-Li correlator here:

Proposition 3.1: Set $z = (z_1, \dots, z_k)$ and let $Q(z)$ be a (graded) rank N matrix factorisation of a potential $W(z)$ with $\dim_{\mathbb{C}}(\text{Jac}(W)) < \infty$. Let $\psi \in M_{2N}(\mathbb{C}[z])$ be a morphism of definite \mathbb{Z}_2 -degree $s(\psi)$ and definite R-charge R_ψ . Then

$$\langle \psi \rangle_Q^{\text{KapLi}} = 0$$

unless $s(\psi) + k$ is even and unless $R_\psi = \hat{c}(W)$.

Proof: The statement on the \mathbb{Z}_2 -degree follows because Q and its partial derivatives are odd matrices wrt. to the \mathbb{Z}_2 -grading σ , hence a product of n of these with the even or odd matrix ψ has no diagonal terms, hence zero supertrace, if $k + s(\psi)$ is odd.

As the Jacobi ring of W is a finite-dimensional \mathbb{C} -vector space, for each $i = 1, \dots, k$ there is a $\nu_i \in \mathbb{Z}_+$ and polynomials C_{ij} such that $z_i^{\nu_i} = \sum_j C_{ij}(z) \partial_{z_j} W(z)$. This implies, see e.g. [22], that

$$\text{res}_z \left[\frac{f}{\partial_{z_1} W \cdots \partial_{z_k} W} \right] = \text{res}_z \left[\frac{\det(C) f}{z_1^{\nu_1} \cdots z_k^{\nu_k}} \right]$$

for any polynomial $f(z)$.

In the case at hand, $f = \text{str}(\partial_{z_1} Q \cdots \partial_{z_k} Q \cdot \psi)$, and since Q , its derivatives, and ψ have definite R-charges, a rescaling of the z_i can be traded for conjugation with the grading matrix $U(\lambda)$ – this leaves the supertrace invariant – up to extra prefactors $\lambda^{1-|z_i|}$ resp. λ^{R_ψ} from relation (3.1). Hence f is quasi-homogeneous of weight $R_\psi + \hat{c}(W)$.

It is easy to see that $\det(C)$ is quasi-homogeneous of weight $-k - \hat{c}(W) + \sum_i \nu_i |z_i|$. The residue projects $f \cdot \det(C)$ onto the monomial $z_1^{\nu_1-1} \cdots z_k^{\nu_k-1}$, which has weight $-k + \hat{c}(W) + \sum_i \nu_i |z_i|$. Thus the residue can be non-zero only if $R_\psi = \hat{c}(W)$. \square

Turning to the perturbation expansion of orbifold equivalences, we assume, as before, that $V_1(x)$ and $V_2(y)$ are quasi-homogeneous potentials of weight 2, without linear terms, and we denote the weights of the variables by $|x_i|$ for $i = 1, \dots, n$, resp. $|y_j|$ for $j = 1, \dots, m$. We abbreviate $W(x, y) := V_1(x) - V_2(y)$.

Proposition 3.2: Assume that $Q(x, y)$ is a (graded) rank N orbifold equivalence between $V_1(x)$ and $V_2(y)$, i.e. $Q^2 = W \mathbf{1}_{2N}$ and $q_L(Q) q_R(Q) \neq 0$. Set $Q_1(x) := Q(x, y)|_{y=0}$ and $F_j := \partial_{y_j} Q(x, y)|_{y=0}$ for $j = 1, \dots, m$. Then

- (1) F_j is a fermionic morphism of Q_1 with R-charge $R_j = 1 - |y_j|$, for all $j = 1, \dots, m$.
- (2) The left quantum dimension of Q can be written as

$$q_L(Q) = \langle F_1 \cdots F_m \rangle_{Q_1}^{\text{KapLi}}$$

where $\langle \cdots \rangle_{Q_1}^{\text{KapLi}}$ denotes the Kapustin-Li boundary correlator of the LG model with bulk potential V_1 and boundary condition Q_1 .

- (3) $Q(x, y)$ has a finite perturbation expansion, with y_j appearing as parameters:

$$Q(x, y) = \sum_{\kappa=0}^{\kappa_{\max}} Q^{(\kappa)}(x, y) \quad \text{with} \quad Q^{(0)}(x, y) = Q_1(x) \quad \text{and} \quad Q^{(1)}(x, y) = \sum_j y_j F_j.$$

The higher order terms satisfy

$$\{Q_1, Q^{(\kappa)}\} + \sum_{\lambda=1}^{\kappa-1} Q^{(\kappa-\lambda)} Q^{(\lambda)} = -V_2^{(\kappa)} \tag{3.3}$$

where $\{\cdot, \cdot\}$ denotes the anti-commutator and where $V_2^{(\kappa)}$ is the order κ term of V_2 .

Proof: The F_j are odd wrt. the σ -grading (as Q is), and they are in the kernel of $d_{Q_1 Q_1}$ because $\{Q_1, F_j\} = \partial_{y_j} Q(x, y)|_{y=0} = \partial_{y_j} W \mathbf{1}|_{y=0} = 0$. Let $U(\lambda)$ be the grading for $Q(x, y)$ – and, for that matter, for $Q_1(x)$. Differentiating (1.6) gives

$$U(\lambda) \partial_{y_j} Q(\lambda \triangleright x, \lambda \triangleright y) U(\lambda)^{-1} = \lambda^{1-|y_j|} \partial_{y_j} Q(x, y),$$

so in particular the F_j are fermions of Q_1 with definite R-charge $R_j = 1 - |y_j|$.

To see the second statement, note that the left quantum dimension of a graded matrix factorisation is a quasi-homogeneous polynomial in y , and in fact has to be a (non-zero) number in order to be invertible. Hence $q_L(Q)$ does not depend on the y -variables. Setting $y = 0$ in the first of the residue formulas (2.1) directly produces the Kapustin-Li correlator (1.9) of the product $F_1 \cdots F_m$ of “boundary fermions” in the (V_1, Q_1) theory.

Eq. (3.3) simply follows from a Taylor expansion of $Q^2 = W \mathbf{1}_{2N}$ around $y = 0$, keeping in mind that $Q_1(x)$ is a matrix factorisation of $V_1(x)$.

Finiteness of the perturbation series can be seen by analysing R-charges and weight matrices: The order κ term $Q^{(\kappa)}(x, y) = \sum_{\vec{p}} M_{\vec{p}}^{(\kappa)} y^{\vec{p}}$ is a linear combination of monomials in the y_j , where $\vec{p} \in \mathbb{Z}_+^n$ with $p_1 + \dots + p_m = \kappa$, and where $M_{\vec{p}}^{(\kappa)} \in M_{2N}(\mathbb{C}[x])$ are matrix-valued coefficients. The latter are odd wrt. the \mathbb{Z}_2 -grading, and they have R-charge $R_{\vec{p}}^{(\kappa)} = 1 - p_1|y_1| - \dots - p_m|y_m|$. The entries of $M_{\vec{p}}^{(\kappa)}$ are homogeneous polynomials in the x_i , the weight of the r - s -entry is $w_{rs} = g_s - g_r + R_{\vec{p}}^{(\kappa)}$, where the g_r define the grading matrix $U(\lambda)$ as before. Since all the variable weights are strictly positive, for large enough κ not only the R-charge but also the weights w_{rs} will become negative for all $r, s \in \{1, \dots, 2N\}$, which implies that $M_{\vec{p}}^{(\kappa)}$ has to vanish. \square

An analogous expansion can be performed around $x = 0$, and the right quantum dimension of $Q(x, y)$ takes the form of a correlator of boundary fermions in the Landau-Ginzburg model with bulk potential $-V_2(y)$ and boundary condition $Q_2(y) := Q(x, y)|_{x=0}$. Setting $\tilde{F}_i := \partial_{x_i} Q(x, y)|_{x=0}$, we have

$$q_R(Q) = \langle \tilde{F}_1 \cdots \tilde{F}_n \rangle_{Q_2}^{\text{KapLi}}.$$

In the present paper, the main application of Prop. 3.2 will be to devise a more systematic search algorithm for orbifold equivalences, which allows us to tackle more difficult situations than the simple singularities discussed in [13]. But there are some immediate structural consequences implied by the perturbation expansion:

First off, the condition $\hat{c}(V_1) = \hat{c}(V_2)$ necessary for the existence of a graded orbifold equivalence follows immediately from the “background charge” of topological Landau-Ginzburg correlators: The product $F_1 \cdots F_m$ is a morphism with R-charge $\sum_j (1 - |y_j|) = \hat{c}(V_2)$, and its Kapustin-Li correlator in the (V_1, Q_1) -model vanishes, according to the statement rederived in Prop. 3.1, unless this R-charge coincides with the background charge $\hat{c}(V_1)$ of that model.

Prop. 3.2 also constrains what form the matrix elements of an orbifold equivalence $Q(x, y)$ can take: Clearly, for each $j = 1, \dots, m$ there must be a Q -entry that contains a term linear in y_j , lest one of the partial derivatives F_j is zero; likewise for the x_i . (In fact, none of the F_j can be trivial in the Q_1 -cohomology, i.e. none can be of the form $F_j = Q_1 A_j - A_j Q_1$ for some $A_j \in M_{2N}(\mathbb{C}[x, y])$, because the Kapustin-Li form is independent of the representative of the cohomology class.)

Moreover, under very mild additional assumptions on the potentials, one can show that orbifold equivalences must involve some “entanglement” of the x - and y -variables:

Proposition 3.3: Assume that $V_2(y) \in \mathfrak{m}^3$, i.e. has no quadratic or lower order terms. Then an orbifold equivalence $Q(x, y)$ between $V_1(x)$ and $V_2(y)$ must have mixed xy -terms, i.e. it cannot have the form $Q(x, y) = Q_1(x) + Q_2(y)$.

Proof: Assume $Q(x, y) = Q_1(x) + Q_2(y)$. The first summand is a matrix factorisation of $V_1(x)$, the second summand one of $-V_2(y)$; consequently $\{Q_1(x), Q_2(y)\} = 0$ and also $\{\partial_{x_i} Q_1, F_j\} = 0$.

Moreover,

$$0 = -\partial_{y_{j_1}} \partial_{y_{j_2}} V_2(y)|_{y=0} = \{F_{j_1}, F_{j_2}\} + \{Q_2(y), \partial_{y_{j_1}} \partial_{y_{j_2}} Q_2(y)\}|_{y=0}.$$

The last term vanishes (since the matrix factorisations we consider, including $Q_2(y)$, have no constant terms), so all the F_j anti-commute and square to zero.

Let $N := \sigma \partial_{x_1} Q_1 \cdots \partial_{x_n} Q_1 F_1 \cdots F_m$, which is the argument of the trace in the residue formula for $q_L(Q)$. In the case at hand, this matrix N is nilpotent,

$$N^2 = \pm(\partial_{x_1} Q_1 \cdots \partial_{x_n} Q_1)^2 (F_1 \cdots F_m)^2 = 0,$$

hence $\text{tr}(N) = 0$ and $q_L(Q) = 0$.

Note that we can relax the assumption on $V_2(y)$: as soon as there is one variable y_{j^*} such that $\partial_{y_{j^*}} \partial_{y_j} V_2(y)|_{y=0} = 0$ for all $j = 1, \dots, m$, we have that F_{j^*} anti-commutes with all F_j , and N is nilpotent. \square

In particular, this result rules out the simplest tensor products as orbifold equivalences (under the stated assumptions on the potentials): if $Q(x, y) = Q_a(x) \hat{\otimes} Q_b(y)$ where $Q_a(x)$ is a matrix factorisation of $V_1(x)$ and $Q_b(y)$ one of $-V_2(y)$, then $Q(x, y)$ has zero quantum dimensions.

That the standard method (forming tensor products) of constructing matrix factorisations for complicated polynomials is barred when seeking orbifold equivalences goes some way in explaining why the latter are hard to find. Results of the type of Prop. 3.3 may also prove useful for showing that equality of central charges is an insufficient criterion for two potentials to be orbifold equivalent.

3.2. Weight split criterion. The perturbative expansion described in Prop. 3.2 is a useful ingredient of an algorithmic search for orbifold equivalences, but, as it stands, the need to select a grading and a $Q_1(x)$ as starting point seems to limit efficiency quite severely. In this subsection, we will point out that the gradings (and hence the weight matrices of $Q_1(x, y)$ and $Q(x, y)$) are subject to a highly selective criterion – a criterion that applies to any graded matrix factorisation $Q(z)$ of any quasi-homogeneous potential $W(z)$, not just to defects.

It will be more convenient to rescale the variable weights such that all $|z_i|$ are natural numbers; so for the remainder of this subsection, the weight of $W(z)$ is given by some integer $D_W \in \mathbb{Z}_+$, not necessarily equal to 2.

Before giving a general formulation, let us see the criterion “at work” in the concrete example of the A_{11} - E_6 orbifold equivalence found in [13] and reproduced in subsection 2.2. Here, $V_{A_{11}}(x) = x_1^{12} + x_2^2$, $V_{E_6}(y) = y_1^3 + y_2^4$, and $W(z) = V_{A_{11}}(x) - V_{E_6}(y)$ with $z = (x, y)$. The variable weights are $|x_1| = 1, |x_2| = 6, |y_1| = 4, |y_2| = 3$ (after scaling up to integers, so that $D_W = 12$).

Any graded matrix factorisation $EJ = JE = W\mathbf{1}_N$ must in particular contain (quasi-homogeneous) polynomials factorising the x_2^2 -term from W – and such factors must occur in each row and each column of E and J . Up to constant prefactors, these polynomials must be of the form $x_2 + f_{rs}$ for some f_{rs} having the same weight as x_2 . So each row and each column of the weight matrices $w(E)$ and $w(J)$ must contain a 6.

Likewise, the y_1^3 -term has to be factorised, so each row and column of $w(E)$ and $w(J)$ has to contain a 4 (from a factor $y_1^1 + \dots$) or an 8 (from a factor $y_1^2 + \dots$).

If we want to construct a rank $N = 2$ matrix factorisation of $W = V_{A_{11}} - V_{E_6}$, these two observations (together with the constraint that Q should be graded) fix the weight matrices completely, up to row and column permutations and up to swapping E and J :

$$w(E) = \begin{pmatrix} 6 & 4 \\ 8 & 6 \end{pmatrix} \tag{3.4}$$

which is indeed the weight matrix for the $A_{111}-E_6$ orbifold equivalence (2.5) found by Carqueville et al. (Thanks to the low rank and the small number of variables, it is fairly easy to arrive at a concrete Q once the above $w(E)$ is known.)

In order to formulate the criterion in general, we need some notation. Let

$$W(z) = \sum_{\tau=1}^T m_{\tau}(z)$$

be the decomposition of the potential into monomial terms; each m_{τ} has weight D_W . For each $\tau = 1, \dots, T$, let S_{τ} be the set of weights of possible non-trivial divisors of m_{τ} , i.e.

$$S_{\tau} = \left\{ w \in \{1, \dots, D_W - 1\} : \exists f \in \mathbb{C}[z] \text{ s.th. } f \text{ divides } m_{\tau} \text{ and } f \text{ has weight } w \right\}.$$

Weight split criterion: If $Q(z)$ is a graded matrix factorisation of $W(z)$ with weight matrix $w(Q)$, then each row and each column of $w(Q)$ contains an element of S_{τ} for all $\tau = 1, \dots, T$.

Note that this criterion allows to deduce – at least case by case – what minimal rank N_{\min} a graded orbifold equivalence between V_1 and V_2 must have: If the number T of terms in $W = V_1 - V_2$ is high, and if many of the sets S_{τ} are disjoint, the matrix factorisation needs to have high rank. So far, however, we have not found a closed formula for N_{\min} .

Let us look at further examples to illustrate the usefulness of this criterion. For the two unimodal Arnold singularities $V_{E_{13}}(x) = x_2^3 + x_2x_1^5$ and $V_{Z_{11}}(y) = y_1^3y_2 + y_2^5$, the variable weights are $|x_1| = 2, |x_2| = 5, |y_1| = 4, |y_2| = 3$ (re-scaled so that W has weight 15). A good way to visualise the possible weight splits is by way of tables where each column represents a monomial term in the full potential. The table on the left contains factorisations of the monomials, the one on the right records the weights of those factors:

x_2^3	$x_2x_1^5$	$y_1^3y_2$	y_2^5
x_2^2, x	x_2, x_1^5	y_1^3, y_2	y_2^4, y_2
	x_2x_1, x_1^4	y_1^2, y_1y_2	y_2^3, y_2^2
	$x_2x_1^2, x_1^3$	$y_1, y_1^2y_2$	
	$x_2x_1^3, x_1^2$		
	$x_2x_1^4, x_1$		

x_2^3	$x_2x_1^5$	$y_1^3y_2$	y_2^5
10, 5	5, 10	12, 3	12, 3
	7, 8	8, 7	9, 6
	9, 6	4, 11	
	11, 4		
	13, 2		

We see that the terms in W admit weight splits $5+10$ and $5+10 = 7+8 = 9+6 = 11+4 = 13+2$ (from E_{13}) and $12 + 3 = 8 + 7 = 4 + 11$ and $12 + 3 = 9 + 6$ (from Z_{11}). The criterion then dictates that in each row and each column of $w(E)$, there must be a 5 or a 10, and there must be one from the set $\{3, 4, 7, 8, 11, 12\}$.

One can just about fit the above weights into a rank 2 matrix $w(E)$ with entries 5, 12, 10, 3, but this leads to zero quantum dimensions (the associated Q are tensor products and ruled out as orbifold equivalences by Prop. 3.3 because they have no mixed terms).

At rank 3, one can form 24 weight matrices $w(E)$ satisfying the weight split criterion, and one of those leads to an orbifold equivalence, see the next section. It is worth mentioning that the “successful” $w(E)$ is one where many entries are members of *both* the weight split list coming from E_{13} and the weight split list coming from Z_{11} ; these offer the best opportunity for an “entanglement” of x and y variables.

How restrictive the weight split criterion can be becomes clear when one tries to construct an orbifold equivalence for the Arnold singularities Z_{13} and Q_{11} : here, one needs a rank 6 matrix factorisation, and of about 2.7 million conceivable weight matrices $w(Q)$ only 60 pass the criterion.

There are additional restrictions on viable weight matrices $w(Q)$ which apply if Q is to be an orbifold equivalence between $V_1(x)$ and $V_2(y)$. E.g., the requirement that non-trivial fermions of given R-charge have to exist (needed for non-zero quantum dimensions, cf. Prop 3.2), means that for each variable y_j , at least one of the $w(Q)$ -entries must be of the form $|y_j| + n(x)$ where $n(x)$ is some \mathbb{Z}_+ -linear combination of the weights $|x_i|$; analogously with the roles of x and y interchanged. In the examples we studied, this condition from existence of fermions turned out to be far less restrictive than the weight split criterion arising from the matrix factorisation conditions.

4. ALGORITHMIC SEARCH, AND SOME CONCRETE RESULTS

In this section, we will present some new examples of orbifold equivalences. Most of them were discovered using an algorithm based on the perturbative expansion introduced in the previous section. First, we make some general remarks on the “computability” of orbifold equivalences and outline a computer-implementable algorithm to deal with the problem, then we list the new examples themselves.

4.1. Towards an algorithmic search for orbifold equivalences. The question whether there is a rank N graded orbifold equivalence Q between two given potentials V_1 and V_2 can be converted into an ideal membership problem and, for fixed N , can be decided by a finite computation.

To see this, let us write the matrix elements of Q as

$$Q_{rs} = \sum_{\vec{p}} a_{rs,\vec{p}} z^{\vec{p}} \quad \text{for } r, s \in \{1, \dots, 2N\} \tag{4.1}$$

where $z = (x_1, \dots, x_n, y_1, \dots, y_m)$ and where $\vec{p} \in \mathbb{Z}_+^{m+n}$ is a multi-index. (Note that, for graded Q , the sum is finite due to (3.2) and because the variables have strictly positive weights.) The main “trick” now is to shift one’s focus away from the variables z and work in a ring of polynomials in the $a_{rs,\vec{p}}$:

The requirement that Q is a rank N matrix factorisation of $W(z) = V_1(x) - V_2(y)$ imposes polynomial (in fact: bilinear) equations $f_\alpha^{\text{MF}}(a) = 0$ on the coefficients $a_{rs,\vec{p}} \in \mathbb{C}$. (α labels the various bilinear equations, a collectively denotes all the coefficients.)

The quantum dimensions can be computed, using Def. 2.1, whether or not Q is a matrix factorisation; for a graded Q , one obtains two polynomials (of degree $n + m$) in the $a_{rs,\vec{p}}$. The requirement that both quantum dimensions are non-zero is equivalent to the single equation

$$f^{\text{qd}}(a, a_{\text{aux}}) := q_L(Q)q_R(Q) a_{\text{aux}} - 1 = 0$$

being solvable, where a_{aux} is an additional auxiliary coefficient.

Thus, the matrix Q is an orbifold equivalence between V_1 and V_2 if and only if the system

$$f_\alpha^{\text{MF}} = 0, \quad f^{\text{qd}} = 0 \tag{4.2}$$

of polynomial equations in the coefficients $a_{rs,\vec{p}}$ and a_{aux} has a solution. By Hilbert’s weak Nullstellensatz, this is the case if and only if

$$1 \notin \langle f_\alpha^{\text{MF}}, f^{\text{qd}} \rangle_{\mathbb{C}[a, a_{\text{aux}}]}. \tag{4.3}$$

This type of ideal membership problem can be tackled rather efficiently with computer algebra systems like Singular. (Such computer algebra packages are usually restricted to working over \mathbb{Q} , but for potentials V_1, V_2 with rational coefficients, the polynomials in (4.2) have rational coefficients, too, and it is enough to study (4.3) over the rationals in order to prove or disprove existence of an orbifold equivalence with coefficients $a_{rs,\vec{p}}$ in the algebraic closure $\overline{\mathbb{Q}}$.)

Once a grading $U(\lambda)$, hence a weight matrix for Q , has been chosen, it is easy to write down the most general homogeneous matrix elements Q_{rs} (4.1) that conform with this grading. Moreover, there is only a finite number of possible gradings $U(\lambda) = \text{diag}(\lambda^{g_1}, \dots, \lambda^{g_{2N}})$ for a given rank N . To see this, recall that the weights of the Q -entries are given by $w(Q_{rs}) = g_s - g_r + 1$ (we set the weight of the potential to 2), and also that we can fix $g_1 = 0$ wlog – so in particular $w(Q_{1r}) = g_r + 1$ and $w(Q_{r1}) = -g_r + 1$. Therefore, at least one of the g_r has to satisfy $-1 \leq g_r \leq 1$, otherwise the entire first row or column of Q would have to vanish (because the weights would all be negative), which would contradict the matrix factorisation conditions. We can repeat the argument for the g_r nearest to g_1 and find, overall, that $g_r \in [-2N, 2N]$ for all r . Finally, Q_{rs} can be a non-zero polynomial in the x_i, y_j only if its weight $w(Q_{rs})$ is a sum of the (finitely many, rational) weights $|x_i|, |y_j|$, hence only finitely many choices g_r from the interval $[-2N, 2N]$ can lead to a graded rank N matrix factorisation of $V_1(x) - V_2(y)$.

All in all, the question whether there exists a rank N orbifold equivalence between two given potentials V_1, V_2 can be settled in principle. Our guess is that there is an upper bound $N_{\max}(V_1, V_2)$ such that, if no orbifold equivalence of rank $N < N_{\max}(V_1, V_2)$ exists, then none exists at all – but we have only circumstantial evidence: All known (indecomposable) examples of orbifold equivalences have rank smaller than the nested tensor product matrix factorisation obtained by factorising each monomial in $V_1 - V_2$; and packing a matrix factorisation “too loosely” risks making the supertrace inside the quantum dimensions vanish.

So much for the abstract question whether orbifold equivalence is a property that can be decided algorithmically at all. In order to search for concrete examples, we have devised an *algorithm* based on the perturbation expansion and the weight split criterion introduced in section 3:

Algorithm:

- (a) From the potentials $V_1(x), V_2(y)$, compute the variable weights $|x_i|, |y_j|$.
- (b) Choose a rank N .
- (c) Exploiting the weight split criterion from subsection 3.2, compute all admissible gradings (i.e. weight matrices) for this rank.
- (d) Choose a weight matrix and form the most general matrix factorisation $Q_1(x)$ of $V_1(x)$ with this weight matrix.
- (e) For each y_j , compute the space of fermions F_j of $Q_1(x)$ with R-charges $1 - |y_j|$.
- (f) For any R-charge R_M that can occur in the expansion of $Q(x, y)$ from Prop. 3.2, determine the space of odd matrices with that R-charge.
- (g) Compute $Q(x, y)$ using the conditions from Prop. 3.2 (3), then compute the quantum dimensions $q_L(Q)$ and $q_R(Q)$. (Everything will depend on unknown coefficients a .)
- (h) Extract the conditions $f_\alpha^{\text{MF}}(a) = 0$ and $f^{\text{qd}}(a) = 0$ on the coefficients appearing in $Q(x, y)$ and check whether this system of polynomial equations admits a solution.

Computer algebra systems such as Singular have built-in routines to perform the last step, employing (variants of) Buchberger’s algorithm to compute a Gröbner basis of the ideal spanned by $f^{\text{MF}}, f^{\text{qd}}$.

Already when forming the “most general” $Q_1(x)$ with a given weight matrix, undetermined coefficients a (along with bilinear constraints) enter the game – but far fewer than would show up in the most general matrix $Q(x, y)$ with the same weight matrix, because one only uses the x -variables to form quasi-homogeneous entries: the perturbation expansion from Prop. 3.2 “organises” the computation to some extent from the outset. Nevertheless, even for harmless looking potentials V_1, V_2 one can easily end up with close to one thousand polynomial equations

in hundreds of unknowns $a_{rs,\bar{p}}$. Due to restrictions on memory and run-time, it is advisable in practice to make guesses for some of the coefficients $a_{rs,\bar{p}}$ occurring in $Q(x, y)$ or already in $Q_1(x)$, instead of trying to tackle the most general ansatz. (Some of these can be computer-aided guesses: e.g., Buchberger's algorithm may allow to decide fairly quickly that a certain coefficient cannot be zero; then one may try to set it to 1.) We have succeeded in automatising most of the steps involved in making the equations tractable for Singular, some of the results are collected in the next subsection.

Finding an explicit solution for the coefficients a is of course desirable, but not necessary to prove that two potentials are orbifold equivalent. It appears that Singular is not the optimal package for determining explicit solutions (although it is very efficient in establishing solvability); feeding the polynomial equations resulting from the Singular code into Mathematica, say, might be more promising.

If one is content with existence statements, additional avenues are open: One could e.g. employ numerical methods to find approximate solutions to the system of equations (4.2), then check whether any of them satisfies the criteria of the Kantorovich theorem or of Smale's α -theory, see e.g. [26, 42]. If so, one has proven (rigorously) that there is an exact solution in a neighbourhood of the numerical one. We did not take this route, but it might lead to a more efficient computational tool towards a classification of orbifold equivalent potentials.

4.2. New examples. We now present new examples of orbifold equivalences, starting with a few isolated (but hard-won) cases, including all remaining pairs of unimodal Arnold singularities. Then we add a series of equivalences obtained by simple transformations of variables.

Theorem 4.1: In each of the following cases, the potential $V_1(x)$ is orbifold equivalent to the potential $V_2(y)$:

- (1) $V_1(x) = x_1^6 + x_2^2$ and $V_2(y) = y_1^3 + y_2^3$.
(These are the singularities A_5 and, up to Knörrer periodicity, $A_2 \oplus A_2$, using the notation for a direct sum of singularities from [1], Chapter 2, Section 2.2; the central charge for this example is $\hat{c} = \frac{2}{3}$.)
- (2) $V_1(x) = x_1^5 x_2 + x_3^2$ and $V_2(y) = y_1^3 y_2 + y_3^5$.
(These are two of the exceptional unimodal Arnold singularities, namely E_{13} resp. Z_{11} , at central charge $\hat{c} = \frac{16}{15}$.)
- (3) $V_1(x) = x_1^6 + x_1 x_2^3 + x_3^2$ and $V_2(y) = y_2 y_3^3 + y_2^3 + y_1^2 y_3$.
(These are the exceptional unimodal Arnold singularities Z_{13} resp. Q_{11} , at central charge $\hat{c} = \frac{10}{9}$.)
- (4) $V_1(x) = x_1^2 x_3 + x_2 x_3^2 + x_2^4$ and $V_2(y) = -y_1^2 + y_2^4 + y_2 y_3^4$.
(These are the exceptional unimodal Arnold singularities S_{11} resp. W_{13} , at central charge $\hat{c} = \frac{9}{8}$.)
- (5) $V_1(x) = x_1^{10} x_2 + x_2^3$ and $V_2(y) = y_1 y_2^7 + y_1^3 y_2$.
(These are a chain resp. a loop (or cycle), in the nomenclature of [32, 25, 31], at central charge $\hat{c} = \frac{6}{5}$, a value shared by the pair Q_{17} and W_{17} of bimodal Arnold singularities.)

Proof: In contrast to E_{14} - Q_{10} , none of these cases can be traced back to known results on simple singularities. Lacking, therefore, any elegant abstract arguments, we can only establish these orbifold equivalences by finding explicit matrix factorisations Q of $V_1 - V_2$ with non-zero quantum dimensions. The ranks of the Q we found are, in the order of the cases in the theorem, 2, 3, 6, 4 and 3. In most cases, Q depends on coefficients a which are subject to (solvable!) systems of polynomial equations. We list those matrices on the web-page [39], in the form of a

Singular-executable text file. This page also provides a few small Singular routines to perform the necessary checks: extraction of the matrix factorisation conditions (bilinear equations on the a), computation of the quantum dimensions, computation of the Gröbner basis for the ideal in (4.3). For the sake of completeness, and in order to give an impression of the complexity, the matrices and the polynomial equations are also reproduced in the appendix of the present paper.

In all of the five cases, the orbifold equivalence satisfies $q_L(Q)q_R(Q) \neq \pm 1$, hence $A = Q^\dagger \star Q$ is not similar to the identity defect: in the sense defined after eq. (2.3), these are “true orbifold equivalences”, not “mere equivalences in the bicategory \mathcal{LG} ”. \square

The web-page mentioned above also presents direct orbifold equivalences between D_7 and E_6 , between D_{10} and E_7 , and between D_{16} and E_8 . That these simple singularities are orbifold equivalent follows already from the A - D and A - E results in [15, 13]; what makes the direct D - E defects noteworthy is that they have at most rank 3. (The smallest orbifold equivalence between E_8 and A_{29} is of rank 4.)

Together with the straightforward E_{14} - Q_{10} orbifold equivalence mentioned in section 2, Theorem 4.1 exhausts all orbifold equivalences among the (quasi-homogeneous) exceptional unimodal Arnold singularities: no other pairs with equal central charge exist among those fourteen potentials. The orbifold equivalent pairs are precisely the pairs that display “strange duality” (Dolgachev and Gabrielov numbers are interchanged), see e.g. [41].

Among the 14 exceptional bimodal Arnold singularities, only Q_{17} and W_{17} have the same central charge (namely $\hat{c} = \frac{6}{5}$.); we have not yet found an orbifold equivalence between them (nor between Q_{17} or W_{17} and the pair in item (5) above).

It might be worth mentioning that the arguments one can use to treat the E_{14} - Q_{10} case – i.e. Theorem 2.2 (c) – also show that orbifold equivalence does not respect the modality of a singularity:

The exceptional unimodal Arnold singularity Q_{12} with $V_{Q_{12}}(x) = x_1^5 + x_1 x_2^2 + x_3^3$ is orbifold equivalent to the exceptional bimodal Arnold singularity E_{18} given by $V_{E_{18}}(y) = y_1^{10} + y_2^3 + y_3^2$: the former is $V_{D_6}(x_1, x_2) + x_3^3$, the latter $V_{A_9}(y_1, y_2) + y_3^3$, and $V_{D_6} \sim_{\text{oeq}} V_{A_9}$ due to the results of [15]. By the same method, one can relate other exceptional Arnold singularities to sums of simple singularities; among the examples involving bimodal singularities are

$$V_{Q_{16}}(x) \sim_{\text{oeq}} V_{A_{13}}(y_1, y_2) + y_3^3$$

and

$$V_{U_{16}}(x) = V_{D_4}(x_1, x_2) + x_3^5 \sim_{\text{oeq}} V_{A_5}(y_1, y_2) + y_3^5 \sim_{\text{oeq}} z_1^3 + z_2^3 + z_3^5 = z_1^3 + V_{E_8}(z_2, z_3).$$

A number of more or less expected orbifold equivalences, including infinite series, can be established via transformations of variables:

Lemma 4.2: Assume $Q(x, y)$ is an orbifold equivalence between $V_1(x)$ and $V_2(y)$, and assume that $y \mapsto y'$ is an invertible, weight-preserving transformation of variables. Then $Q(x, y')$ is an orbifold equivalence between $V_1(x)$ and $V_2(y')$ if the weights $|y_i|$ are pairwise different, or if $V_2(y) \in \mathfrak{m}^3$.

Proof: First, focus on the variable transformation itself: We can assume wlog. that the y_1, \dots, y_m are labeled by increasing weight, y_1 having the lowest weight. Then the transformation can be written as $y_j \mapsto y'_j = f_j(y) + \sum_{k \in I_j} A_{jk} y_k$ where $A_{jk} \in \mathbb{C}$, where $I_j = \{k : |y_k| = |y_j|\}$ and where f_j depends only on those y_l with $|y_l| < |y_j|$. As $y \mapsto y'$ preserves weights, f_j has no linear terms. The Jacobian \mathcal{J} of the transformation is lower block-diagonal and $\det(\mathcal{J}) = \det(A)$, a non-zero constant.

Since $Q' := Q(x, y')$ is obviously a matrix factorisation of $V_1(x) - V_2(y')$, we only need to study the quantum dimensions of Q' . The relation $q_R(Q') = \det(A) q_R(Q)$ results immediately from making a substitution of integration variables in the formula for the right quantum dimension.

The left quantum dimension of Q' can be expressed as a Kapustin-Li correlator (in the (V_1, Q_1) model) of the fermions $F'_j = \partial_{y'_j} Q'|_{y'=0} = \sum_{l=1}^m \frac{\partial y_l}{\partial y'_j}|_{y=0} F_l$. Here, we have already exploited $y' = 0 \Leftrightarrow y = 0$ to simplify, but the summation over l might still lead to linear combinations which are difficult to control. The extra assumptions on $V_2(y)$ avoid this: If all $|y_j|$ are pairwise different, then $\frac{\partial y_l}{\partial y'_j}|_{y=0} = b_j \delta_{j,l}$ for some non-zero constants b_j . If V_2 starts at order 3 or higher, the F_j anti-commute with each other inside the correlator: adapting the proof of Prop. 3.3, one finds

$$0 = -\partial_{y_{j_1}} \partial_{y_{j_2}} V_2|_{y=0} = \{F_{j_1}, F_{j_2}\} + \{Q_1(x), \partial_{y_{j_1}} \partial_{y_{j_2}} Q(x, y)|_{y=0}\},$$

and the last term vanishes in the Q_1 -cohomology, therefore does not contribute to the Kapustin-Li correlator. Hence, the correlator is totally anti-symmetric in the F_j , and the linear combination of correlators making up the left quantum dimension is simply $q_L(Q') = \det(A)^{-1} q_L(Q)$. \square

Applying this lemma to the identity defect of $V_1(x) - V_1(y)$, one can establish orbifold equivalences e.g. in the following cases:

- (1) So-called “auto-equivalences” of unimodal Arnold singularities: Different descriptions of the same singularity exist for U_{12} , Q_{12} , W_{12} , W_{13} , Z_{13} and E_{14} . The assumptions on the variable weights resp. structure of V_2 made in Lemma 4.2 hold for all these cases. These orbifold equivalences were already discussed in [37]; although we were unable to verify the concrete formulas given there (e.g., eqs. (8) and (10) in the Appendix of that paper seem to contain errors), the general structure (Q being a nested tensor product of rank 4) coincides with what one obtains from the identity defect upon a weight-preserving transformation of variables.

The orbifold equivalence between

$$V_{Q_{17}^T}(x) = x_1^3 x_2 + x_2^5 x_3 + x_3^2 \quad \text{and} \quad V(y) = y_1^3 y_2 + y_2^{10} + y_3^2$$

is of the same type, occurring at a central charge shared by the bimodal Arnold singularity Q_{17} . (The T in Q_{17}^T indicates that the polynomial $V_{Q_{17}^T}$ can be formed from $V_{Q_{17}}$ by transposing the “exponent matrix” extracted from the latter; this process yields another quasi-homogeneous polynomials of the same central charge. See [31] for a concise exposition, the details are not relevant for the purposes of the present paper.)

- (2) Equivalences between quasi-homogeneous polynomials of Fermat, chain and loop (or cycle) type at $\hat{c} < 1$:

$$\begin{aligned} V_{A_{2n-1}}(x) &= x_1^{2n} + x_2^2 \quad \text{and} \quad V_{D_{n+1}^T}(y) = y_1^n y_2 + y_2^2 \\ V_{L_n}(x) &= x_1^n x_2 + x_1 x_2^2 \quad \text{and} \quad V_{D_{2n}}(y) = y_1^{2n-1} + y_1 y_2^2 \\ V_{C_n}(x) &= x_1^2 x_2 + x_2^n x_3 + x_3^2 \quad \text{and} \quad V_{D_{2n+1}}(y) + y_3^2 = y_1^{2n} + y_1 y_2^2 + y_3^2 \end{aligned}$$

with $n \geq 2$ in all three pairs. (Again, nomenclature and notations have their origin in works on quasi-homogeneous polynomials, in particular [32, 25, 31].) Explicit orbifold equivalences for A - D^T were already given in [40].

- (3) Cases involving non-trivial marginal bulk deformations, e.g.

at central charge $\hat{c} = \frac{10}{9}$, one finds an orbifold equivalence between the direct sum $A_8 \oplus A_2$ of simple singularities, $V_{(A_8 \oplus A_2)}(x) = x_1^9 + x_2^3$, and special deformations of Z_{13}^T , given by $V_{Z_{13}^T}(y) = y_1^6 y_2 + y_3^2 + \mu_2 y_1^3 y_2^2$, if $\mu_2 = \pm\sqrt{3}$;

at central charge $\hat{c} = \frac{8}{7}$, the two deformed singularities $V_{E_{19}^T}(x) = x_1^3 x_2 + x_2^7 + \mu_1 x_1 x_2^5$ and $V_2(y) = y_1 y_2^5 + y_1^3 y_2 + \mu_2 y_1^2 y_2^3$ are orbifold equivalent as long as the two deformation parameters are related by $\mu_1 = \mu (\frac{1}{3}\mu_2^2 - 1)$ with $3\mu^3 = -\mu_2(\frac{2}{9}\mu_2^2 - 1)$.

Lemma 4.2 can also be used to prove an orbifold equivalence one would expect on geometric grounds: An elliptic curve can be described by the Legendre normal form

$$V_\lambda(x) = -x_2^2 x_3 + x_1(x_1 - x_3)(x_1 - \lambda x_3),$$

where λ is a complex parameter with $\lambda \neq 0, 1$, and two such curves V_λ and $V_{\lambda'}$ describe birationally equivalent tori if and only if

$$\lambda' \in \{ \lambda, 1 - \lambda, 1/\lambda, 1/(1 - \lambda), (\lambda - 1)/\lambda, \lambda/(\lambda - 1) \}, \tag{4.4}$$

see e.g. IV.4 in [23]. One can apply a weight-preserving variable transformation to bring V_λ into an alternative form $V_e(y) = -y_2^2 y_3 + (y_1 - e_1 y_3)(y_1 - e_2 y_3)(y_1 - e_3 y_3)$, with pairwise different e_1, e_2, e_3 . The parameters of the two forms are related by $\lambda = (e_3 - e_1)/(e_2 - e_1)$, and the six different λ' -values in (4.4) arise from permuting the e_i , which of course leaves V_e unchanged; thus we find $V_{\lambda'} \sim_{\text{oeq}} V_\lambda$.

Since, in all the examples listed after Lemma 4.2, we start from the identity defect, the orbifold equivalence resulting from the transformation of variables automatically satisfies

$$q_L(Q') q_R(Q') = 1,$$

so it is likely that they are “mere equivalences” in the bicategory \mathcal{LG} . (One way to verify this would be to compute and analyse the fusion product $(Q')^\dagger \star Q'$.) But Lemma 4.2 can also be applied to the orbifold equivalence between D_{n+1} and A_{2n-1} , say, to produce a defect with $q_L(Q') q_R(Q') = 2$ between D_{n+1} and D_{n+1}^T .

Furthermore, the potentials of type D_n^T, C_n and L_n listed in item (2) appear as separate, non-equivalent entries in classifications of quasi-homogeneous polynomials [32, 25], but not in classifications of singularities as in [1]: in the latter classification, one allows for more general types of variable transformations to identify two singularities, in particular the transformations need not respect variable weights (and indeed, some of the polynomials listed in [1] are not even quasi-homogeneous). The orbifold equivalences given in item (2) of Lemma 4.2 may not be surprising, but it is not clear to us whether there are abstract theorems guaranteeing that polynomials which are equivalent as singularities are (orbifold) equivalent in \mathcal{LG} .

A first edition of an “oeq catalogue”, i.e. a list of polynomials sorted into orbifold equivalence classes based on the results of [15, 13] and our new findings, is available at the web-page [39].

5. OPEN PROBLEMS AND CONJECTURES

Ultimately, one would like to find a simple (combinatorial or number-theoretic) criterion that allows to read off directly from the potentials V_1, V_2 whether they are orbifold equivalent or not – instead of taking a detour via constructing an explicit orbifold equivalence Q .

Having invested quite a lot of effort into finding such matrices Q , the authors sincerely hope that such a criterion involves conditions beyond the ones listed in Prop. 2.3.

And there are indeed reasons to believe that $\hat{c}(V_1) = \hat{c}(V_2)$ alone is insufficient for $V_1 \sim_{\text{oeq}} V_2$:

One line of arguments concerns marginal deformations: Let V be a potential which admits a marginal deformation, i.e. there is a quasi-homogeneous element $\phi \in \text{Jac}(V)$ of weight 2. (The Fermat elliptic curve

$$V(x) = \sum_{i=1}^3 x_i^3 \quad \text{with} \quad \phi = x_1 x_2 x_3$$

is an example.) Set $V_1(x) = V(x) + \mu\phi(x)$, where $\mu \in \mathbb{C}$ is a deformation parameter, and $V_2(y) = V(y)$; we have $\hat{c}(V_1) = \hat{c}(V_2)$.

The examples of orbifold equivalences listed at the end of section 4, involving Z_{13}^T, E_{19}^T or the geometrically equivalent tori (4.4), already suggest that a given method of constructing a defect Q between $V + \mu\phi$ and V might lead to an orbifold equivalence for a discrete set of μ -values only.

In general, let $Q(x, y; \mu)$ be rank N matrix factorisation of $V_1(x) - V_2(y)$ and assume its μ -derivative exists in a neighbourhood of $\mu = 0$. Then the bosonic morphism

$$\Phi := \phi(x) \mathbf{1}_{2N} = \{Q, \partial_\mu Q\}$$

is zero in the cohomology of Q , and $\mathbf{1} \otimes \Phi$ is zero in the cohomology of $Q^\dagger \hat{\otimes} Q$. This should imply that Φ is absent from $\text{End}(A)$ for $A = Q^\dagger \star Q$, which in turn makes it unlikely that there is a projection from $\text{End}(A)$ to $\text{Jac}(V)$ – but the latter has to be the case [15] if Q is an orbifold equivalence.

A more direct proof that $c(V_1) = \hat{c}(V_2)$ does not guarantee orbifold equivalence might result from incompatibility of the “weight split lists” S_τ occurring in the weight split criterion from subsection 3.2.

We conjecture that orbifold equivalences Q have trivial fermionic cohomology.

This is true in every concrete case for which we have computed H_Q^1 , and the conjecture is backed up by the following observation: If a matrix factorisation Q of W has a non-trivial fermion $\psi \in H_Q^1$, one can form the cone

$$C_\psi(\lambda) = \begin{pmatrix} Q & \lambda\psi \\ 0 & Q \end{pmatrix}$$

which is again a matrix factorisation of W for any $\lambda \in \mathbb{C}$. The upper triangular form implies that $q_L(C_\psi(\lambda)) = q_L(Q \oplus Q) = 2q_L(Q)$ for any value of λ (likewise for the right quantum dimension). In general, however, cones $C_\psi(\lambda)$ with $\lambda \neq 0$ are not equivalent (related by similarity transformations) to the direct sum $Q \oplus Q$, so one would not expect the quantum dimensions to always coincide.

A related question (related due to the role of fermions in deformations of matrix factorisations) is whether there can be moduli spaces of orbifold equivalences between two fixed potentials, or whether the equations only ever admit a discrete set of solutions. Our computations point towards the latter, but we have no proof.

The bicategory setting might provide a better language in which to tackle these general questions.

We hope that the orbifold equivalences presented here prove fruitful in singularity theory, and in other areas related to matrix factorisations by well-established equivalences of categories, but one should also explore applications of orbifold equivalence in string theory, or in the context of mirror symmetry.

E.g., orbifold equivalences between Arnold singularities may also imply relations between $N = 2$ supersymmetric gauge theories in 4 dimensions “engineered” from these singularities, see [16, 17].

It is reasonable to expect that potentials related by “Berglund-Hübsch-Krawitz” duality [2, 31] are orbifold equivalent ($E_{13} \sim_{\text{oeq}} Z_{11}$ is one example), and this duality is one approach to constructing mirror manifolds.

One might also explore whether some of the orbifold equivalences of Landau-Ginzburg potentials can be “lifted” to relations of the conformal field theories associated with them. In

particular, the question whether there is a CFT analogue to $A_5 \sim_{\text{oeq}} A_2 \oplus A_2$, perhaps in terms of an orbifold construction, should be accessible because the central charge is that of a theory of two free bosons. The A_2 -model is associated with a free boson compactified on a circle, see [33] and references therein; we do not know whether a similar statement can be made for A_5 .

Let us add some speculative comments on orbifold equivalence and entanglement. In quantum physics, entanglement refers to the phenomenon that a physical system comprised from two subsystems (like an electron-positron pair) can be in a state such that observations made on one subsystem immediately determine properties of the second subsystem no matter how great the separation between the two. This behaviour has no analogue in classical physics.

Already the general consequences implied by an orbifold equivalence $V_1 \sim_{\text{oeq}} V_2$ – e.g. the relation (2.2) between categories, or more directly the one between correlators in the Landau-Ginzburg models associated with $V_1(x)$ and $V_2(y)$ – are strongly reminiscent of entanglement.

Closer to the level of concrete formulas, one notices that quantum states displaying entanglement are formed from states describing the subsystems in a manner that resembles the mixing of x - and y -variables implied by Prop. 3.3.

Indeed, we expect that the quantum dimensions of a defect can be related to a suitably defined entanglement entropy in Landau-Ginzburg models.

If this can be made manifest and the “symmetries” discussed here can ultimately be traced back to quantum entanglement, perhaps “entanglement equivalence” might be a more appropriate term than “orbifold equivalence”.

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APPENDIX A. APPENDIX: EXPLICIT DEFECTS

For the sake of completeness, we collect the orbifold equivalences that can serve to prove Theorem 4.1. The Singular-executable formats given on the web-page [39] should be of more practical use.

To save writing zeroes, we list matrices E and J only. Q is constructed from them as in (1.2). For fear of producing typos, we have largely refrained from attempts at simplifying the Singular output (except for the very easy case $A_5 \sim_{\text{oeq}} A_2 \oplus A_2$). The matrices spelled out in the following are the simplest ones we could find: what results from our Singular algorithm typically contains many more coefficients $a_{rs,\bar{p}}$, and we have chosen explicit values for some of them.

The orbifold equivalences are listed in the order they appear in Theorem 4.1.

- (1) A rank 2 orbifold equivalence between A_5 and $A_2 \oplus A_2$:

$$E = \begin{pmatrix} x_1^2 - a_1(y_1 + y_2) & x_2 + a_2x_1(y_1 - y_2) \\ x_2 - a_2x_1(y_1 - y_2) & -x_1^4 - 64a_1^8y_2^2 + 16a_1^5y_1y_2 - a_1x_1^2(y_1 + y_2) - 4a_1^2y_1^2 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$J = \begin{pmatrix} x_1^4 + 64a_1^8y_2^2 - 16a_1^5y_1y_2 + a_1x_1^2(y_1 + y_2) + 4a_1^2y_1^2 & x_2 + a_2x_1(y_1 - y_2) \\ x_2 - a_2x_1(y_1 - y_2) & -x_1^2 + a_1(y_1 + y_2) \end{pmatrix}$$

where the coefficients have to satisfy

$$a_2^2 = 3a_1^2 \quad \text{and} \quad a_1^3 = \frac{1}{4}.$$

The quantum dimensions of Q are $q_L(Q) = -2a_1a_2$ and $q_R(Q) = -\frac{4}{3}a_2$. Since their product is 2, this is a “true orbifold equivalence”, not an ordinary equivalence in the bi-category of Landau-Ginzburg potentials. On the other hand, since 2 is contained in any cyclotomic field, a group action might be the source of this orbifold equivalence.

(2) An ugly rank 3 orbifold equivalence between E_{13} and Z_{11} :

The matrix elements E_{rs} and J_{rs} are given by

$$E_{11} = -x_1^2 - y_1a_2$$

$$E_{12} = -x_1y_2a_3 - x_1y_2a_4 + x_2$$

$$E_{13} = -y_2a_4$$

$$E_{21} = x_1y_2a_3 - x_1y_2a_5 + x_2$$

$$E_{22} = y_2^2a_1^2a_4^2 + y_2^2a_1a_3a_4 + y_2^2a_1a_4^2 + y_2^2a_1a_4a_5 - x_1^3a_1 + y_2^2a_3^2 + y_2^2a_3a_4 - y_2^2a_3a_5 + y_2^2a_5^2 + x_1y_1a_1a_2 - x_1y_1a_1a_6 + x_1^3 - y_2^2a_7$$

$$E_{23} = x_1^2 + y_1a_6$$

$$E_{31} = -x_1^4a_1 - x_1^3 - y_2^2a_7$$

$$E_{32} = -x_1^2y_2a_1^2a_4 + 2y_1y_2a_1^2a_4a_2 - x_1^2y_2a_1a_3 - x_1^2y_2a_1a_4 - x_1^2y_2a_1a_5 + y_1y_2a_1a_3a_2 + 2y_1y_2a_1a_4a_2 + y_1y_2a_1a_5a_2 - y_1y_2a_1a_4a_6 - x_1^2y_2a_3 + x_1^2y_2a_5 + y_1y_2a_3a_2 - y_1y_2a_4a_6 - y_1y_2a_5a_6 + x_1x_2$$

$$E_{33} = x_1y_2a_5 + x_2$$

$$J_{11} = -x_1y_2^3a_1^2a_4^2a_5 - x_1^4y_2a_1^2a_4 - x_1y_2^3a_1a_3a_4a_5 - x_1y_2^3a_1a_4^2a_5 - x_1y_2^3a_1a_4a_5^2 + 2x_1^2y_1y_2a_1^2a_4a_2 - x_1^2y_1y_2a_1^2a_4a_6 + 2y_1^2y_2a_1^2a_4a_2a_6 - x_1^4y_2a_1a_3 - x_1^4y_2a_1a_4 - x_2y_2^2a_1^2a_4^2 - x_1y_2^3a_3^2a_5 - x_1y_2^3a_3a_4a_5 + x_1y_2^3a_3a_5^2 - x_1y_2^3a_5^3 + x_1^2y_1y_2a_1a_3a_2 + 2x_1^2y_1y_2a_1a_4a_2 - x_1^2y_1y_2a_1a_3a_6 - 2x_1^2y_1y_2a_1a_4a_6 + y_1^2y_2a_1a_3a_2a_6 + 2y_1^2y_2a_1a_4a_2a_6 + y_1^2y_2a_1a_5a_2a_6 - y_1^2y_2a_1a_4a_6^2 - x_1^4y_2a_3 - x_2y_2^2a_1a_3a_4 - x_2y_2^2a_1a_4^2 - x_2y_2^2a_1a_4a_5 + x_1^2y_1y_2a_3a_2 - x_1^2y_1y_2a_3a_6 - x_1^2y_1y_2a_4a_6 + y_1^2y_2a_3a_2a_6 - y_1^2y_2a_4a_6^2 - y_1^2y_2a_5a_6^2 + x_1y_2^3a_5a_7 + x_1^3x_2a_1 - x_2y_2^2a_3^2 - x_2y_2^2a_3a_4 + x_2y_2^2a_3a_5 - x_2y_2^2a_5^2 - x_1x_2y_1a_1a_2 + x_1x_2y_1a_1a_6 + x_1x_2y_1a_6 + x_2y_2^2a_7$$

$$J_{12} = -x_1^2y_2^2a_1^2a_4^2 - y_1y_2^2a_1^2a_4^2a_2 - x_1^2y_2^2a_1a_3a_4 - x_1^2y_2^2a_1a_4^2 - x_1^2y_2^2a_1a_4a_5 - y_1y_2^2a_1a_3a_4a_2 - y_1y_2^2a_1a_4^2a_2 - y_1y_2^2a_1a_4a_5a_2 - x_1^2y_2^2a_3a_4 - x_1^2y_2^2a_3a_5 - y_1y_2^2a_3^2a_2 - y_1y_2^2a_3a_4a_2 + y_1y_2^2a_3a_5a_2 - y_1y_2^2a_5^2a_2 - x_1y_1^2a_1a_2^2 + x_1y_1^2a_1a_2a_6 + x_1y_1^2a_2a_6 + y_1y_2^2a_2a_7 - y_1y_2^2a_6a_7 - x_1x_2y_2a_3 + x_1x_2y_2a_5 + x_2^2$$

$$J_{13} = -y_2^3a_1^2a_4^3 - y_2^3a_1a_3a_4^2 - y_2^3a_1a_4^3 - y_2^3a_1a_4^2a_5 + x_1^3y_2a_1a_4 - y_2^3a_3^2a_4 - y_2^3a_3a_4^2 + y_2^3a_3a_4a_5 - y_2^3a_4a_5^2 - x_1y_1y_2a_1a_4a_2 + x_1y_1y_2a_1a_4a_6 + x_1^3y_2a_3 + x_1y_1y_2a_3a_6 + x_1y_1y_2a_4a_6 + y_2^3a_4a_7 - x_1^2x_2 - x_2y_1a_6$$

$$J_{21} = -3y_1y_2^2a_1^2a_4^2a_2 - 2y_1y_2^2a_1a_3a_4a_2 - 3y_1y_2^2a_1a_4^2a_2 - 2y_1y_2^2a_1a_4a_5a_2 + y_1y_2^2a_1a_4^2a_6 + x_1^5a_1 + x_1^2y_2^2a_3a_5 - x_1^2y_2^2a_5^2 - y_1y_2^2a_3^2a_2 - 2y_1y_2^2a_3a_4a_2 + y_1y_2^2a_3a_5a_2 - y_1y_2^2a_5^2a_2 - x_1y_1^2a_1a_2^2 + x_1^3y_1a_1a_6 + y_1y_2^2a_4^2a_6 + y_1y_2^2a_4a_5a_6 + x_1y_1^2a_1a_2a_6 + x_1^5 + x_1^3y_1a_6 + x_1y_1^2a_2a_6 + x_1^2y_2^2a_7 + y_1y_2^2a_2a_7 + x_1x_2y_2a_3 + x_2^2$$

$$J_{22} = x_1^3y_2a_1a_4 + x_1^3y_2a_4 + x_1^3y_2a_5 + x_1y_1y_2a_5a_2 + y_2^3a_4a_7 + x_1^2x_2 + x_2y_1a_2$$

$$J_{23} = x_1y_2^2a_3a_4 - x_1y_2^2a_4a_5 - x_1^4 - x_1^2y_1a_2 - x_1^2y_1a_6 - y_1^2a_2a_6 + x_2y_2a_4$$

$$J_{31} = -x_1^3y_2^2a_3^2a_4^2 - 2x_1^3y_2^2a_1^2a_4^2 - 2x_1^3y_2^2a_1^2a_4a_5 - 2x_1y_1y_2^2a_1^2a_3a_4a_2 + 3x_1y_1y_2^2a_1^2a_4^2a_2 + 2x_1y_1y_2^2a_1^2a_4a_5a_2 - y_2^4a_1^2a_4^2a_7 + x_1^6a_1^2 - x_1^3y_2^2a_1a_3a_4 - x_1^3y_2^2a_1a_4^2 + x_1^3y_2^2a_1a_3a_5 - 2x_1^3y_2^2a_1a_4a_5 - 2x_1^3y_2^2a_1a_5^2 - x_1^4y_1a_1^2a_2 - x_1y_1y_2^2a_1a_3^2a_2 + 3x_1y_1y_2^2a_1a_4^2a_2 + 4x_1y_1y_2^2a_1a_4a_5a_2 + x_1y_1y_2^2a_1a_5^2a_2 + x_1^4y_1a_1^2a_6 +$$

$$x_1y_1y_2^2a_1a_3a_4a_6 - x_1y_1y_2^2a_1a_4^2a_6 - x_1y_1y_2^2a_1a_4a_5a_6 - y_2^4a_1a_3a_4a_7 - y_2^4a_1a_4^2a_7 - y_2^4a_1a_4a_5a_7 + x_1^2x_2y_2a_1^2a_4 - x_1^3y_2^2a_3a_4 - x_1^3y_2^2a_3a_5 - x_1^4y_1a_1a_2 - 2x_2y_1y_2a_1^2a_4a_2 + 2x_1y_1y_2^2a_3a_4a_2 + x_1y_1y_2^2a_5^2a_2 + x_1^2y_1^2a_1a_2^2 + x_1^4y_1a_1a_6 + x_1y_1y_2^2a_3a_4a_6 - x_1y_1y_2^2a_4^2a_6 + x_1y_1y_2^2a_3a_5a_6 - 2x_1y_1y_2^2a_4a_5a_6 - x_1y_1y_2^2a_5^2a_6 - x_1^2y_1^2a_1a_2a_6 + 2x_1^3y_2^2a_1a_7 - y_2^4a_3^2a_7 - y_2^4a_3a_4a_7 + y_2^4a_3a_5a_7 - y_2^4a_5^2a_7 - x_1y_1y_2^2a_1a_2a_7 + x_1y_1y_2^2a_1a_6a_7 - x_1^6 + x_1^2x_2y_2a_1a_3 + x_1^2x_2y_2a_1a_4 + x_1^2x_2y_2a_1a_5 - x_2y_1y_2a_1a_3a_2 - 2x_2y_1y_2a_1a_4a_2 - x_2y_1y_2a_1a_5a_2 + x_2y_1y_2a_1a_4a_6 - x_1^2y_1^2a_2a_6 - x_1y_1y_2^2a_2a_7 + x_1y_1y_2^2a_6a_7 + y_2^4a_7^2 - x_2y_1y_2a_3a_2 + x_2y_1y_2a_4a_6 + x_2y_1y_2a_5a_6 - x_1x_2^2$$

$$J_{32} = x_1^4y_2a_1^2a_4 - x_1^2y_1y_2a_1^2a_4a_2 - 2y_1^2y_2a_1^2a_4a_2^2 + x_1^4y_2a_1a_5 - x_1^2y_1y_2a_1a_4a_2 - y_1^2y_2a_1a_3a_2^2 - 2y_1^2y_2a_1a_4a_2^2 - y_1^2y_2a_1a_5a_2^2 + x_1^2y_1y_2a_1a_4a_6 + y_1^2y_2a_1a_4a_2a_6 - x_1^4y_2a_4 - x_1^4y_2a_5 - x_1^2y_1y_2a_5a_2 - y_1^2y_2a_3a_2^2 + x_1^2y_1y_2a_4a_6 + x_1^2y_1y_2a_5a_6 + y_1^2y_2a_4a_2a_6 + y_1^2y_2a_5a_2a_6 - x_1y_2^3a_3a_7 - x_1y_2^3a_4a_7 + x_1^3x_2a_1 - x_1x_2y_1a_2 + x_2y_2^2a_7$$

$$J_{33} = x_1^2y_2^2a_1^2a_4^2 - 2y_1y_2^2a_1^2a_4^2a_2 + x_1^2y_2^2a_1a_3a_4 + x_1^2y_2^2a_1a_4^2 + x_1^2y_2^2a_1a_4a_5 - y_1y_2^2a_1a_3a_4a_2 - 2y_1y_2^2a_1a_4^2a_2 - y_1y_2^2a_1a_4a_5a_2 + y_1y_2^2a_1a_4^2a_6 - x_1^5a_1 + x_1^2y_2^2a_4a_5 + x_1^2y_2^2a_5^2 - y_1y_2^2a_3a_4a_2 - x_1^3y_1a_1a_6 + y_1y_2^2a_4^2a_6 + y_1y_2^2a_4a_5a_6 + x_1^5 + x_1^3y_1a_2 + x_1y_1^2a_2a_6 - x_1^2y_2^2a_7 - y_1y_2^2a_6a_7 - x_1x_2y_2a_4 - x_1x_2y_2a_5 + x_2^2$$

The seven coefficients a_1, \dots, a_7 are subject to matrix factorisation conditions which take the form of twelve algebraic equations $f_\alpha(a) = 0$ with

$$\begin{aligned}
f_1 &= -(1/3)a_1a_3^2a_4a_6 - (1/3)a_1a_3a_4^2a_6 + (1/3)a_1a_3a_4a_5a_6 + (2/3)a_1a_4^2a_5a_6 + (2/3)a_1a_4a_5^2a_6 - (2/3)a_2a_3^3 - \\
& (1/3)a_2a_3^2a_4 + 2a_2a_3^2a_5 + (2/3)a_2a_3a_4a_5 - 2a_2a_3a_5^2 + (4/3)a_2a_5^3 - (1/3)a_3^2a_4a_6 - (1/3)a_3a_4^2a_6 + (2/3)a_4^2a_5a_6 + \\
& (4/3)a_4a_5^2a_6 + (2/3)a_2a_3a_7 - (4/3)a_2a_5a_7 - (5/3)a_3a_6a_7 + (1/3)a_5a_6a_7 \\
f_2 &= 2a_1^2a_3a_4^2a_6 - 4a_1^2a_4^2a_5a_6 + 2a_1a_3a_4^2a_6 - 4a_1a_4^2a_5a_6 - 2a_2a_3^3 + 6a_2a_3^2a_5 - 6a_2a_3a_5^2 + 4a_2a_5^3 - 2a_3a_4a_5a_6 + \\
& 4a_4a_5^2a_6 + 2a_2a_3a_7 - 4a_2a_5a_7 - 6a_3a_6a_7 \\
f_3 &= -7a_1^3a_2a_3a_4^2a_6 + 11a_1^3a_2a_4^2a_5a_6 - 4a_1^2a_2a_3^2a_4a_6 - 12a_1^2a_2a_3a_4^2a_6 - 2a_1^2a_2a_3a_4a_5a_6 + 15a_1^2a_2a_4^2a_5a_6 + \\
& 14a_1^2a_2a_4a_5^2a_6 - a_1^2a_4^3a_6^2 - a_1a_2a_3^3a_6 - 9a_1a_2a_3^2a_4a_6 - 8a_1a_2a_3a_4^2a_6 + 4a_1a_2a_3a_4a_5a_6 + 4a_1a_2a_4^2a_5a_6 + \\
& 7a_1a_2a_4a_5^2a_6 + 5a_1a_2a_5^3a_6 - 2a_1a_4^3a_6^2 - 2a_1a_4^2a_5a_6^2 - 12a_1^2a_2a_4a_6a_7 - a_2^2a_3^3 - 2a_2^2a_3^2a_4 + a_2^2a_3^2a_5 - a_2^2a_3a_5^2 - \\
& a_2a_3^3a_6 - 5a_2a_3^2a_4a_6 - 3a_2a_3a_4^2a_6 + a_2a_3^2a_5a_6 + a_2a_3a_4a_5a_6 - a_2a_3a_5^2a_6 + a_2a_3^2a_6 - a_4^3a_6^2 - 2a_4^2a_5a_6^2 - a_4a_5^2a_6^2 - \\
& 6a_1a_2a_3a_6a_7 - 7a_1a_2a_4a_6a_7 - 6a_1a_2a_5a_6a_7 + a_1a_4a_6^2a_7 + a_2^2a_3a_7 - a_2a_3a_6a_7 - a_2a_5a_6a_7 + a_4a_6^2a_7 + a_5a_6^2a_7 \\
f_4 &= -(5/2)a_1^3a_3a_4^2 + 2a_1^3a_4^2a_5 - 2a_1^2a_3^2a_4 - (9/2)a_1^2a_3a_4^2 + 2a_1^2a_3a_4a_5 + 3a_1^2a_4^2a_5 - 2a_1^2a_4a_5^2 - (3/2)a_1a_3^3 - \\
& 4a_1a_3^2a_4 - 2a_1a_3a_4^2 + (9/2)a_1a_3^2a_5 + (11/2)a_1a_3a_4a_5 + a_1a_4^2a_5 - (9/2)a_1a_3a_5^2 - 4a_1a_4a_5^2 + 6a_1^2a_4a_7 - (3/2)a_3^3 - \\
& 2a_3^2a_4 + (9/2)a_3^2a_5 + 3a_3a_4a_5 - (9/2)a_3a_5^2 - a_4a_5^2 + a_5^3 + 3a_1a_3a_7 + 6a_1a_4a_7 + 3a_1a_5a_7 + (7/2)a_3a_7 + a_4a_7 - a_5a_7 \\
f_5 &= 3a_1a_3^3a_4a_6 + a_1a_3^2a_4^2a_6 - 9a_1a_3^2a_4a_5a_6 + 8a_1a_3a_4a_5^2a_6 - 2a_1a_4^2a_5^2a_6 - 4a_1a_4a_5^3a_6 + 5a_2a_4^3 + a_2a_3^3a_4 + \\
& 19a_2a_3^2a_5 - 2a_2a_3^2a_4a_5 + 25a_2a_3^2a_5^2 + a_2a_3a_4a_5^2 - 15a_2a_3a_5^3 - a_2a_4a_5^3 + 2a_2a_5^4 + 3a_3^3a_4a_6 + a_3^2a_4^2a_6 - 8a_3^2a_4a_5a_6 + \\
& 7a_3a_4a_5^2a_6 - 2a_4^2a_5^2a_6 - 5a_4a_5^3a_6 - 9a_1a_3a_4a_6a_7 + 4a_1a_4^2a_6a_7 + 9a_1a_4a_5a_6a_7 - 8a_2a_3^2a_7 + 2a_2a_3a_5a_7 + \\
& 11a_2a_3a_5a_7 + a_2a_4a_5a_7 + 11a_3^2a_6a_7 - 11a_3a_4a_6a_7 + 3a_4^2a_6a_7 - 11a_3a_5a_6a_7 + 11a_4a_5a_6a_7 + 3a_5^2a_6a_7 - \\
& 2a_2a_7^2 + 2a_6a_7^2 \\
f_6 &= 3a_1^2a_4^2a_6 + 2a_1a_3a_4a_6 + 5a_1a_4^2a_6 + 2a_1a_4a_5a_6 + a_2a_3^2 + 2a_2a_3a_4 - a_2a_3a_5 + a_2a_5^2 + 2a_3a_4a_6 + 2a_4^2a_6 + \\
& a_4a_5a_6 - a_2a_7 + a_6a_7 \\
f_7 &= a_1a_2 - a_1a_6 - a_6 \\
f_8 &= -2a_1^2a_2a_4a_6^2 - a_1a_2a_3a_6^2 - 3a_1a_2a_4a_6^2 - a_1a_2a_5a_6^2 - a_2^2a_3a_6 - a_2a_3a_6^2 - a_2a_4a_6^2 + 1 \\
f_9 &= a_1^2a_4^3a_7 + a_1a_3a_4^2a_7 + a_1a_4^3a_7 + a_1a_4^2a_5a_7 + a_3^2a_4a_7 + a_3a_4^2a_7 - a_3a_4a_5a_7 + a_4a_5^2a_7 - a_4a_7^2 + 1 \\
f_{10} &= 5a_1^2a_3a_4^2a_6 - a_1^2a_4^2a_5a_6 + 3a_1a_3^2a_4a_6 + 8a_1a_3a_4^2a_6 + 3a_1a_3a_4a_5a_6 - a_1a_4^2a_5a_6 + a_2a_3^3 + 3a_2a_3^2a_4 + \\
& a_2a_5^3 + 3a_3^2a_4a_6 + 3a_3a_4^2a_6 + a_3a_4a_5a_6 + a_4a_5^2a_6 - a_2a_3a_7 - a_2a_5a_7 \\
f_{11} &= -3a_1^2a_4a_6^2 - a_1a_3a_6^2 - 6a_1a_4a_6^2 - a_1a_5a_6^2 - a_2^2a_3 - a_2a_3a_6 - a_2a_4a_6 - a_3a_6^2 - 3a_4a_6^2 \\
f_{12} &= a_1^3a_4^3 + 2a_1^2a_4^3 + 3a_1^2a_4^2a_5 + a_1a_3a_4^2 + a_1a_4^3 + 3a_1a_4^2a_5 + 3a_1a_4a_5^2 + a_3a_4^2 + a_3a_4a_5 + a_4a_5^2 + a_5^3 - 2a_1a_4a_7 - \\
& a_3a_7 - a_4a_7 - a_5a_7
\end{aligned}$$

These twelve equations are solvable, and the quantum dimensions, subject to the matrix factorisation conditions, are given by

$$\begin{aligned}
q_L(Q) &= a_1a_4a_6 + a_2a_3 + a_4a_6 + a_5a_6 \\
q_R(Q) &= (462a_1a_5a_6^2a_7^2 + 603a_1^3a_6^2 - 2002a_2^2a_3a_7^2 + 158a_2^2a_4a_7^2 - 853a_2^2a_5a_7^2 - 898a_2a_3a_6a_7^2 - 2784a_2a_4a_6a_7^2 - \\
& 136a_2a_5a_6a_7^2 + 214a_3a_6^2a_7^2 - 1294a_4a_6^2a_7^2 + 1111a_5a_6^2a_7^2 + 2646a_1^2a_6^2 - 261a_1a_6^2 - 291a_2^2 - 301a_2a_6 - 2095a_6^2)/764
\end{aligned}$$

Note that these expressions result after reduction by the ideal spanned by the f_α , hence the quantum dimensions of this defect are non-zero numbers after inserting any special solution to the equations $f_\alpha(a) = 0$.

(3) A rank 6 orbifold equivalence between Z_{13} and Q_{11} , which could be worse:

$$\begin{aligned}
E_{11} &= 2y_3a_1^2a_2 + 2y_3a_1a_3 \\
E_{12} &= -(3/2)x_1^3a_1^3a_2^3 - x_1^3a_1^2a_3a_2^2 + (1/2)x_1^3a_1a_3^2a_2 + 2x_2y_3a_4a_1^2a_2 + 2x_2y_3a_4a_1a_3 - x_2y_3a_1 + x_1y_2a_3 + x_3 \\
E_{13} &= 0 \\
E_{14} &= -(3/8)x_1^2a_4a_1^3a_2^3 - (1/4)x_1^2a_4a_1^2a_3a_2^2 + (1/8)x_1^2a_4a_1a_3^2a_2 + (1/4)x_1^2a_3^2 - y_2 \\
E_{15} &= -x_2 \\
E_{16} &= 0 \\
E_{21} &= (3/2)x_1^3a_1^3a_2^3 + x_1^3a_1^2a_3a_2^2 - (1/2)x_1^3a_1a_3^2a_2 + x_2y_3a_1 - x_1y_2a_3 + x_3 \\
E_{22} &= (3/4)x_1^3x_2a_4a_1^3a_2^3 - x_1^2y_3^2a_1^4a_2^2 + (1/2)x_1^3x_2a_4a_1^2a_3a_2^2 - x_1^2y_3^2a_1^3a_3a_2 - (1/4)x_1^3x_2a_4a_1a_3^2a_2 - (1/2)x_1^3x_2a_3^2 + \\
& x_2^2y_3a_4a_1 + y_2y_3^2a_1^2 - x_1x_2y_2a_4a_3 + (1/2)x_1^2y_3^2a_2 - y_1^2a_5^2 + x_1x_2y_2 + x_2x_3a_4 \\
E_{23} &= (9/32)x_1^4a_4^2a_1^6a_2^6 + (3/8)x_1^4a_4^2a_1^5a_3a_2^5 - (1/16)x_1^4a_4^2a_1^4a_3^2a_2^4 - (1/8)x_1^4a_4^2a_1^3a_3^3a_2^3 + (1/32)x_1^4a_4^2a_1^2a_3^4a_2^2 +
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
& (3/8)x_1^2y_2a_4a_1^3a_2^3 + (1/4)x_1^2y_2a_4a_1^2a_3a_2^2 - (1/8)x_1^4a_3^4 - (1/8)x_1^2y_2a_4a_1a_3^2a_2 + x_1x_2y_3a_1^2a_2 + (3/4)x_1^2y_2a_3^2 + \\
& x_2y_1a_5 - y_2^2 \\
E_{24} &= 0 \\
E_{25} &= 0 \\
E_{26} &= (1/2)x_1^3y_3a_1^4a_2^3 - (3/8)x_1^2y_1a_4a_1^3a_5a_2^3 - (1/4)x_1^2y_1a_4a_1^2a_3a_5a_2^2 - (1/2)x_1^3y_3a_1^2a_3^2a_2 + \\
& (1/8)x_1^2y_1a_4a_1a_2^3a_5a_2 + (1/4)x_1^2y_1a_1^3a_5 + x_1y_2y_3a_1^2a_2 + x_2y_3^2a_1^2 + x_1x_2^2 - y_1y_2a_5 \\
E_{31} &= 0 \\
E_{32} &= (9/32)x_1^4a_4^2a_1^6a_2^6 + (3/8)x_1^4a_4^2a_1^5a_3a_2^5 - (1/16)x_1^4a_4^2a_1^4a_3^2a_2^4 - (1/8)x_1^4a_4^2a_1^3a_3^3a_2^3 + (1/32)x_1^4a_4^2a_1^2a_3^4a_2^2 + \\
& (3/8)x_1^2y_2a_4a_1^3a_2^3 + (1/4)x_1^2y_2a_4a_1^2a_3a_2^2 - (1/8)x_1^4a_3^4 - (1/8)x_1^2y_2a_4a_1a_3^2a_2 + x_1x_2y_3a_1^2a_2 + (3/4)x_1^2y_2a_3^2 - \\
& x_2y_1a_5 - y_2^2 \\
E_{33} &= -(3/4)x_1^2y_3a_4a_1^5a_2^4 - (1/2)x_1^2y_3a_4a_1^4a_3a_2^3 + (1/4)x_1^2y_3a_4a_1^3a_2^2 + 3x_1^2y_3a_1^4a_2^3 + 2x_1^2y_3a_1^3a_3a_2^2 - \\
& (1/2)x_1^2y_3a_1^2a_3^2a_2 - 2y_2y_3a_1^2a_2 - 2y_2y_3a_1a_3 + x_2^2 \\
E_{34} &= (3/2)x_1^3a_1^3a_2^3 + x_1^3a_1^2a_3a_2^2 - (1/2)x_1^3a_1a_3^2a_2 + x_2y_3a_1 - x_1y_2a_3 + x_3 \\
E_{35} &= 0 \\
E_{36} &= -(3/8)x_1^2x_2a_4a_1^3a_2^3 + 2x_1y_3^2a_1^4a_2^2 - (1/4)x_1^2x_2a_4a_1^2a_3a_2^2 + 2x_1y_3^2a_1^3a_3a_2 + (1/8)x_1^2x_2a_4a_1a_3^2a_2 - \\
& 2y_1y_3a_1^2a_5a_2 + (1/4)x_1^2x_2a_3^2 - 2y_1y_3a_1a_3a_5 - x_2y_2 \\
E_{41} &= -(3/8)x_1^2a_4a_1^3a_2^3 - (1/4)x_1^2a_4a_1^2a_3a_2^2 + (1/8)x_1^2a_4a_1a_3^2a_2 + (1/4)x_1^2a_3^2 - y_2 \\
E_{42} &= -(3/8)x_1^2x_2a_4^2a_1^3a_2^3 - (1/4)x_1^2x_2a_4^2a_1^2a_3a_2^2 + (1/8)x_1^2x_2a_4^2a_1a_3^2a_2 + (1/4)x_1^2x_2a_4a_3^2 - x_2y_2a_4 \\
E_{43} &= -(3/2)x_1^3a_1^3a_2^3 - x_1^3a_1^2a_3a_2^2 + (1/2)x_1^3a_1a_3^2a_2 - x_2y_3a_1 + x_1y_2a_3 + x_3 \\
E_{44} &= -y_3^2a_1^2 - x_1x_2 \\
E_{45} &= x_1y_3a_1^2a_2 - y_1a_5 \\
E_{46} &= 0 \\
E_{51} &= -x_2 \\
E_{52} &= -x_2^2a_4 \\
E_{53} &= 0 \\
E_{54} &= x_1y_3a_1^2a_2 + y_1a_5 \\
E_{55} &= -x_1^2a_1^2a_2^2 + y_2 \\
E_{56} &= -(3/2)x_1^3a_1^3a_2^3 - x_1^3a_1^2a_3a_2^2 + (1/2)x_1^3a_1a_3^2a_2 - x_2y_3a_1 + x_1y_2a_3 + x_3 \\
E_{61} &= -x_1x_2a_3 \\
E_{62} &= (1/2)x_1^3y_3a_1^4a_2^3 + (3/8)x_1^2y_1a_4a_1^3a_5a_2^3 + (1/4)x_1^2y_1a_4a_1^2a_3a_5a_2^2 - (1/2)x_1^3y_3a_1^2a_3^2a_2 - \\
& (1/8)x_1^2y_1a_4a_1a_2^3a_5a_2 - (1/4)x_1^2y_1a_1^3a_5 + x_1y_2y_3a_1^2a_2 + x_2y_3^2a_1^2 - x_1x_2^2a_4a_3 + x_1x_2^2 + y_1y_2a_5 \\
E_{63} &= -(3/8)x_1^2x_2a_4a_1^3a_2^3 - (1/4)x_1^2x_2a_4a_1^2a_3a_2^2 + (1/8)x_1^2x_2a_4a_1a_3^2a_2 + 2y_1y_3a_1^2a_5a_2 + (1/4)x_1^2x_2a_3^2 + \\
& 2y_1y_3a_1a_3a_5 + x_1y_3^2a_2 - x_2y_2 \\
E_{64} &= x_1^2y_3a_1^2a_3a_2 + x_1y_1a_3a_5 \\
E_{65} &= (3/2)x_1^3a_1^3a_2^3 - (1/2)x_1^3a_1a_3^2a_2 + x_2y_3a_1 + x_3 \\
E_{66} &= x_1^4a_1^4a_2^4 + (3/2)x_1^4a_1^3a_3a_2^3 - (1/2)x_1^4a_1a_3^3a_2 + 2y_3^3a_1^4a_2 + 2y_3^3a_1^3a_3 + x_1^2y_2a_1^2a_2^2 + 2x_1x_2y_3a_1^2a_2 + \\
& x_1x_2y_3a_1a_3 + x_1x_3a_3 + y_2^2 \\
J_{11} &= -(3/4)x_1^3x_2a_4a_1^3a_2^3 + x_1^2y_3^2a_1^4a_2^2 - (1/2)x_1^3x_2a_4a_1^2a_3a_2^2 + x_1^2y_3^2a_1^3a_3a_2 + (1/4)x_1^3x_2a_4a_1a_3^2a_2 + \\
& (1/2)x_1^3x_2a_3^2 - x_2^2y_3a_4a_1 - y_2y_3^2a_1^2 + x_1x_2y_2a_4a_3 - (1/2)x_1^2y_3^2a_2 + y_1^2a_5^2 - x_1x_2y_2 - x_2x_3a_4 \\
J_{12} &= -(3/2)x_1^3a_1^3a_2^3 - x_1^3a_1^2a_3a_2^2 + (1/2)x_1^3a_1a_3^2a_2 + 2x_2y_3a_4a_1^2a_2 + 2x_2y_3a_4a_1a_3 - x_2y_3a_1 + x_1y_2a_3 + x_3 \\
J_{13} &= -(3/8)x_1^2x_2a_4^2a_1^3a_2^3 - (1/4)x_1^2x_2a_4^2a_1^2a_3a_2^2 + (1/8)x_1^2x_2a_4^2a_1a_3^2a_2 + (1/4)x_1^2x_2a_4a_3^2 - x_2y_2a_4 \\
J_{14} &= -(9/32)x_1^4a_4^2a_1^6a_2^6 - (3/8)x_1^4a_4^2a_1^5a_3a_2^5 + (1/16)x_1^4a_4^2a_1^4a_3^2a_2^4 + (1/8)x_1^4a_4^2a_1^3a_3^3a_2^3 - (1/32)x_1^4a_4^2a_1^2a_3^4a_2^2 - \\
& (3/8)x_1^2y_2a_4a_1^3a_2^3 - (1/4)x_1^2y_2a_4a_1^2a_3a_2^2 + (1/8)x_1^4a_3^4 + (1/8)x_1^2y_2a_4a_1a_3^2a_2 - x_1x_2y_3a_1^2a_2 - (3/4)x_1^2y_2a_3^2 - \\
& x_2y_1a_5 + y_2^2 \\
J_{15} &= -(1/2)x_1^3y_3a_1^4a_2^3 + (3/8)x_1^2y_1a_4a_1^3a_5a_2^3 + (1/4)x_1^2y_1a_4a_1^2a_3a_5a_2^2 + (1/2)x_1^3y_3a_1^2a_3^2a_2 - \\
& (1/8)x_1^2y_1a_4a_1a_2^3a_5a_2 - (1/4)x_1^2y_1a_1^3a_5 - x_1y_2y_3a_1^2a_2 - x_2y_3^2a_1^2 + x_1x_2^2a_4a_3 - x_1x_2^2 + y_1y_2a_5 \\
J_{16} &= -x_2^2a_4 \\
J_{21} &= (3/2)x_1^3a_1^3a_2^3 + x_1^3a_1^2a_3a_2^2 - (1/2)x_1^3a_1a_3^2a_2 + x_2y_3a_1 - x_1y_2a_3 + x_3 \\
J_{22} &= -2y_3a_1^2a_2 - 2y_3a_1a_3 \\
J_{23} &= (3/8)x_1^2a_4a_1^3a_2^3 + (1/4)x_1^2a_4a_1^2a_3a_2^2 - (1/8)x_1^2a_4a_1a_3^2a_2 - (1/4)x_1^2a_3^2 + y_2 \\
J_{24} &= 0 \\
J_{25} &= -x_1x_2a_3
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
J_{26} &= x_2 \\
J_{31} &= 0 \\
J_{32} &= (3/8)x_1^2 a_4 a_1^3 a_2^3 + (1/4)x_1^2 a_4 a_1^2 a_3 a_2^2 - (1/8)x_1^2 a_4 a_1 a_3^2 a_2 - (1/4)x_1^2 a_3^2 + y_2 \\
J_{33} &= y_3^2 a_1^2 + x_1 x_2 \\
J_{34} &= (3/2)x_1^3 a_1^3 a_2^3 + x_1^3 a_1^2 a_3 a_2^2 - (1/2)x_1^3 a_1 a_3^2 a_2 + x_2 y_3 a_1 - x_1 y_2 a_3 + x_3 \\
J_{35} &= x_1^2 y_3 a_1^2 a_3 a_2 - x_1 y_1 a_3 a_5 \\
J_{36} &= -x_1 y_3 a_1^2 a_2 + y_1 a_5 \\
J_{41} &= -(9/32)x_1^4 a_4^2 a_1^6 a_2^6 - (3/8)x_1^4 a_4^2 a_1^5 a_3 a_2^5 + (1/16)x_1^4 a_4^2 a_1^4 a_3^2 a_2^4 + (1/8)x_1^4 a_4^2 a_1^3 a_3^3 a_2^3 - \\
&\quad (1/32)x_1^4 a_4^2 a_1^2 a_3^4 a_2^2 - (3/8)x_1^2 y_2 a_4 a_1^3 a_2^3 - (1/4)x_1^2 y_2 a_4 a_1^2 a_3 a_2^2 + (1/8)x_1^4 a_3^4 + \\
&\quad (1/8)x_1^2 y_2 a_4 a_1 a_3^2 a_2 - x_1 x_2 y_3 a_1^2 a_2 - (3/4)x_1^2 y_2 a_3^3 + x_2 y_1 a_5 + y_2^2 \\
J_{42} &= 0 \\
J_{43} &= -(3/2)x_1^3 a_1^3 a_2^3 - x_1^3 a_1^2 a_3 a_2^2 + (1/2)x_1^3 a_1 a_3^2 a_2 - x_2 y_3 a_1 + x_1 y_2 a_3 + x_3 \\
J_{44} &= (3/4)x_1^2 y_3 a_4 a_1^5 a_2^4 + (1/2)x_1^2 y_3 a_4 a_1^4 a_3 a_2^3 - (1/4)x_1^2 y_3 a_4 a_1^3 a_3^2 a_2^2 - 3x_1^2 y_3 a_1^4 a_2^3 - 2x_1^2 y_3 a_1^3 a_3 a_2^2 + \\
&\quad (1/2)x_1^2 y_3 a_1^2 a_3^2 a_2 + 2y_2 y_3 a_1^2 a_2 + 2y_2 y_3 a_1 a_3 - x_2^2 \\
J_{45} &= (3/8)x_1^2 x_2 a_4 a_1^3 a_2^3 - 2x_1 y_3^2 a_1^4 a_2^2 + (1/4)x_1^2 x_2 a_4 a_1^2 a_3 a_2^2 - 2x_1 y_3^2 a_1^3 a_3 a_2 - \\
&\quad (1/8)x_1^2 x_2 a_4 a_1 a_3^2 a_2 + 2y_1 y_3 a_1^2 a_5 a_2 - (1/4)x_1^2 x_2 a_3^3 + 2y_1 y_3 a_1 a_3 a_5 + x_2 y_2 \\
J_{46} &= 0 \\
J_{51} &= -(1/2)x_1^3 y_3 a_1^4 a_2^3 - (3/8)x_1^2 y_1 a_4 a_1^3 a_5 a_2^3 - (1/4)x_1^2 y_1 a_4 a_1^2 a_3 a_5 a_2^2 + (1/2)x_1^3 y_3 a_1^2 a_3^2 a_2 + \\
&\quad (1/8)x_1^2 y_1 a_4 a_1 a_3^2 a_5 a_2 + (1/4)x_1^2 y_1 a_3^2 a_5 - x_1 y_2 y_3 a_1^2 a_2 - x_2 y_3^2 a_1^2 - x_1 x_2^2 - y_1 y_2 a_5 \\
J_{52} &= 0 \\
J_{53} &= 0 \\
J_{54} &= (3/8)x_1^2 x_2 a_4 a_1^3 a_2^3 + (1/4)x_1^2 x_2 a_4 a_1^2 a_3 a_2^2 - (1/8)x_1^2 x_2 a_4 a_1 a_3^2 a_2 - \\
&\quad 2y_1 y_3 a_1^2 a_5 a_2 - (1/4)x_1^2 x_2 a_3^3 - 2y_1 y_3 a_1 a_3 a_5 - x_1 y_3^2 a_2 + x_2 y_2 \\
J_{55} &= -x_1^4 a_1^4 a_2^4 - (3/2)x_1^4 a_1^3 a_3 a_2^3 + (1/2)x_1^4 a_1 a_3^3 a_2 - 2y_3^3 a_1^4 a_2 - 2y_3^3 a_1^3 a_3 - x_1^2 y_2 a_1^2 a_2^2 - 2x_1 x_2 y_3 a_1^2 a_2 - \\
&\quad x_1 x_2 y_3 a_1 a_3 - x_1 x_3 a_3 - y_2^2 \\
J_{56} &= -(3/2)x_1^3 a_1^3 a_2^3 - x_1^3 a_1^2 a_3 a_2^2 + (1/2)x_1^3 a_1 a_3^2 a_2 - x_2 y_3 a_1 + x_1 y_2 a_3 + x_3 \\
J_{61} &= 0 \\
J_{62} &= x_2 \\
J_{63} &= -x_1 y_3 a_1^2 a_2 - y_1 a_5 \\
J_{64} &= 0 \\
J_{65} &= (3/2)x_1^3 a_1^3 a_2^3 - (1/2)x_1^3 a_1 a_3^2 a_2 + x_2 y_3 a_1 + x_3 \\
J_{66} &= x_1^2 a_1^2 a_2^2 - y_2
\end{aligned}$$

The five coefficients a_1, \dots, a_5 are subject to thirty-seven relatively simple conditions $f_\alpha(a) = 0$ with

$$\begin{aligned}
f_1 &= a_1^2 + a_5^2 \\
f_2 &= -3a_1 a_2 a_4 + 52a_1 a_3 a_5^2 - 7a_3 a_4 - 10 \\
f_3 &= -1839a_1 a_2 a_3 + 30a_2^2 a_5^2 + 835a_3^2 + 72a_4^4 \\
f_4 &= 94888a_1 a_4 a_5^2 - 6675a_2^3 + 7504a_3 a_4^3 + 41908a_4^2 \\
f_5 &= -159a_1 a_2 a_4 + 52a_3^2 a_4^2 + 383a_3 a_4 + 445 \\
f_6 &= 83a_1 a_2 a_5^2 + 14a_2 a_3 a_4^2 + 53a_2 a_4 - 75a_3 a_5^2 \\
f_7 &= 225a_1 a_2 a_4^2 + 2314a_1 a_5^2 + 187a_3 a_4^2 + 724a_4 \\
f_8 &= -36a_1 a_2 a_3 + 15a_2^2 a_5^2 + 8a_3^3 a_4 + 47a_3^2 \\
f_9 &= 2a_1 a_3^2 a_4 + 78a_1 a_3 - 15a_2^2 a_4^2 - 81a_2 a_5^2 \\
f_{10} &= 10a_1 a_2 a_3 a_4 + 13a_1 a_2 + 6a_3^2 a_4 + 29a_3 \\
f_{11} &= 33a_1 a_2^2 a_4 - 27a_2 a_3 a_4 - 72a_2 - 52a_3^2 a_5^2 \\
f_{12} &= -145863a_2^3 + 47444a_3^4 - 31896a_3 a_4^3 - 82080a_4^2 \\
f_{13} &= 1892a_1 a_3^3 - 648a_1 a_4^3 + 228a_2^2 a_3 a_4 - 2223a_2^2 \\
f_{14} &= 8a_1 a_3 a_4^2 + 44a_1 a_4 + a_2^2 a_3^2 - 92a_5^4 \\
f_{15} &= 1311a_1 a_2 a_3^2 + 342a_2^2 a_4 - 211a_3^3 + 180a_4^3 \\
f_{16} &= -4926a_1 a_2 a_4^2 + 1157a_2^3 a_3 + 102a_3 a_4^2 + 7968a_4 \\
f_{17} &= 41a_2^4 - 132a_2 a_4^2 - 408a_3 a_4 a_5^2 - 784a_5^2
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
f_{18} &= 1002a_1a_2^3 - 12a_1a_4^2 - 469a_2^2a_3 + 1224a_4a_5^4 \\
f_{19} &= 7a_1a_3a_4 + 10a_1 - 3a_2a_4a_5^2 + 52a_3a_5^4 \\
f_{20} &= -2a_1a_3a_5^2 + 2a_2a_5^4 - 1 \\
f_{21} &= 67716a_1a_5^4 - 959a_2a_3^3 - 1584a_2a_4^3 + 23256a_4a_5^2 \\
f_{22} &= -71a_1a_2^2 + 116a_2a_3^2a_4 + 403a_2a_3 + 48a_4^3a_5^2 \\
f_{23} &= 3649a_2a_3^3 + 9999a_2a_4^3 + 33858a_3a_4^2a_5^2 + 55575a_4a_5^2 \\
f_{24} &= 654a_1a_3a_4^2 + 17604a_1a_4 + 1157a_2^2a_3^2 + 10350a_2a_4^2a_5^2 \\
f_{25} &= 283176a_1a_4^2a_5^2 - 170487a_2^3a_4 - 166964a_3^3 + 46476a_4^3 \\
f_{26} &= 123a_1a_2a_5^2 + 15a_2a_3a_4^2 + 106a_3^2a_4a_5^2 + 514a_3a_5^2 \\
f_{27} &= -6a_1a_3^2a_4 - 29a_1a_3 + 10a_2a_3a_4a_5^2 + 13a_2a_5^2 \\
f_{28} &= 3a_1a_2 + 3a_2^2a_4a_5^2 - a_3^2a_4 - 7a_3 \\
f_{29} &= 246a_1a_2a_4a_5^2 - 39a_2a_4^2 - 128a_3a_4a_5^2 - 623a_5^2 \\
f_{30} &= 33a_1a_2^2 + 36a_2a_3^2a_4 + 129a_2a_3 + 40a_3^3a_5^2 \\
f_{31} &= -22a_1a_3^3 - 24a_2^2a_3a_4 - 9a_2^2 + 54a_2a_3^2a_5^2 \\
f_{32} &= 2a_1a_2a_3^2 - 6a_2^3a_4 + 45a_2^2a_3a_5^2 + 3a_3^3 \\
f_{33} &= -40a_1a_2^2a_3 + 123a_2^3a_5^2 + 51a_2a_3^2 + 48a_4^2a_5^2 \\
f_{34} &= 9a_1a_2^2a_5^2 + 7a_1a_3^2 + 6a_2^2a_4 - 18a_2a_3a_5^2 \\
f_{35} &= -329a_1a_3a_4 + 89a_1 + 78a_2^2a_4^3 + 453a_2a_4a_5^2 \\
f_{36} &= -3211a_1a_2a_3 + 393a_2^3a_4^2 + 2637a_2^2a_5^2 + 306a_3^3a_4 + 1765a_3^2 \\
f_{37} &= -5112a_1a_4a_5^2 + 19a_2^3 + 612a_4^2 + 15008a_5^6
\end{aligned}$$

The quantum dimensions of Q are:

$$\begin{aligned}
q_L(Q) &= (24/13)a_2a_4a_5^3 - (4/13)a_1a_3a_4a_5 + (50/13)a_1a_5 \\
q_R(Q) &= -2a_1a_2a_5 - 2a_3a_5 .
\end{aligned}$$

(4) A rank 4 orbifold equivalence between S_{11} and W_{13} :

$$\begin{aligned}
E_{11} &= x_1y_3 - y_1 \\
E_{12} &= -x_2y_3^2 + x_1^2 + x_2x_3 \\
E_{13} &= -x_2 + y_2 \\
E_{14} &= 0 \\
E_{21} &= -y_3^2 - x_3 \\
E_{22} &= -x_1y_3 - y_1 \\
E_{23} &= 0 \\
E_{24} &= -x_2 + y_2 \\
E_{31} &= x_2^3 + x_2^2y_2 + x_2y_2^2 + y_2^3 - x_3y_3^2 \\
E_{32} &= -x_1y_3^3 - y_1y_3^2 \\
E_{33} &= -x_1y_3 - y_1 \\
E_{34} &= y_2y_3^2 - x_1^2 - x_2x_3 \\
E_{41} &= 0 \\
E_{42} &= y_3^4 + x_2^3 + x_2^2y_2 + x_2y_2^2 + y_2^3 \\
E_{43} &= y_3^2 + x_3 \\
E_{44} &= x_1y_3 - y_1 \\
J_{11} &= -x_1y_3 - y_1 \\
J_{12} &= y_2y_3^2 - x_1^2 - x_2x_3 \\
J_{13} &= x_2 - y_2 \\
J_{14} &= 0 \\
J_{21} &= y_3^2 + x_3 \\
J_{22} &= x_1y_3 - y_1 \\
J_{23} &= 0 \\
J_{24} &= x_2 - y_2 \\
J_{31} &= -y_3^4 - x_2^3 - x_2^2y_2 - x_2y_2^2 - y_2^3
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
J_{32} &= -x_1 y_3^3 + y_1 y_2^2 \\
J_{33} &= x_1 y_3 - y_1 \\
J_{34} &= -x_2 y_3^2 + x_1^2 + x_2 x_3 \\
J_{41} &= 0 \\
J_{42} &= -x_2^3 - x_2^2 y_2 - x_2 y_2^2 - y_2^3 + x_3 y_3^2 \\
J_{43} &= -y_2^3 - x_3 \\
J_{44} &= -x_1 y_3 - y_1
\end{aligned}$$

This rather simple Q does not depend on any coefficients, although more general orbifold equivalences between S_{11} and W_{13} can be found.

Its quantum dimensions are $q_L(Q) = -2$ and $q_R(Q) = -1$.

(5) A rank 3 orbifold equivalence between a chain and a loop at central charge $\hat{c} = \frac{6}{5}$:

$$\begin{aligned}
E_{11} &= 2a_1 x_1^4 + 2a_1 x_1 y_2^2 \\
E_{12} &= a_1 x_1^3 y_2 + a_1 y_2^3 + y_1 \\
E_{13} &= a_1 x_1^5 + a_1 x_1^2 y_2^2 + x_2 \\
E_{21} &= -2a_1 x_1^3 y_2 - a_1 y_2^3 + y_1 \\
E_{22} &= -a_1 x_1^2 y_2^2 + x_2 \\
E_{23} &= -a_1 x_1^4 y_2 + x_1 y_1 \\
E_{31} &= -a_1 x_1^5 + x_2 \\
E_{32} &= -x_1 y_1 \\
E_{33} &= -y_1 y_2 \\
J_{11} &= a_1 x_1^5 y_1 y_2 - a_1 x_1^2 y_1 y_2^3 - x_1^2 y_1^2 + x_2 y_1 y_2 \\
J_{12} &= a_1 x_1^6 y_1 - a_1 y_1 y_2^4 + x_1 x_2 y_1 - y_1^2 y_2 \\
J_{13} &= a_1^2 + 1 x_1^{10} + a_1 x_1^5 x_2 - a_1 x_1 y_1 y_2^3 - x_1 y_1^2 + x_2^2 \\
J_{21} &= -a_1^2 x_1^9 y_2 + a_1 x_1^6 y_1 + a_1 x_1^4 x_2 y_2 + 2a_1 x_1^3 y_1 y_2^2 + a_1 y_1 y_2^4 - x_1 x_2 y_1 - y_1^2 y_2 \\
J_{22} &= x_1^{10} - a_1^2 x_1^7 y_2^2 + 2a_1 x_1^4 y_1 y_2 + a_1 x_1^2 x_2 y_2^2 + 2a_1 x_1 y_1 y_2^3 + x_2^2 \\
J_{23} &= a_1^2 x_1^5 y_2^3 + a_1^2 x_1^2 y_2^5 + a_1 x_1^5 y_1 + 2a_1 x_1^3 x_2 y_2 + a_1 x_1^2 y_1 y_2^2 + a_1 x_2 y_2^3 - x_2 y_1 \\
J_{31} &= (a_1^2 + 1) x_1^{10} + a_1^2 x_1^7 y_2^2 - a_1 x_1^5 x_2 - 2a_1 x_1^4 y_1 y_2 - a_1 x_1^2 x_2 y_2^2 - a_1 x_1 y_1 y_2^3 + x_1 y_1^2 + x_2^2 \\
J_{32} &= a_1^2 x_1^8 y_2 + a_1^2 x_1^5 y_2^3 - a_1 x_1^5 y_1 - a_1 x_1^3 x_2 y_2 - 2a_1 x_1^2 y_1 y_2^2 - a_1 x_2 y_2^3 - x_2 y_1 \\
J_{33} &= -a_1^2 x_1^3 y_2^4 - a_1^2 y_2^6 - 2a_1 x_1^4 x_2 - a_1 x_1^3 y_1 y_2 - 2a_1 x_1 x_2 y_2^2 + y_1^2
\end{aligned}$$

This contains only a single coefficient a_1 which has to satisfy $a_1^2 = -1$.

The quantum dimensions of this defect are $q_L(Q) = -2$ and $q_R(Q) = -3$.

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