Double field theory for generalized λ deformation

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We embed the geometries of the generalized λ deformations into the framework of the double field theory.

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I. INTRODUCTION

Generalized dualities such as the Abelian T-duality, the non-Abelian T-duality, and Poisson-Lie (PL) T-dualities have been the objects of interest in the area of holography as they can be used as solution generating techniques within supergravity. A doubled world sheet formalism was introduced earlier to make these Abelian T-dualities manifest in the construction [1]. This formalism constructed a σ -model on a double dimensional target space such that it reduced to the known standard σ -model when restricted to half of the coordinates. Similarly, a doubled target space formulation called the double field theory (DFT) was introduced in [2,3]for the case of Abelian T-dualities. This work was further extended for other generalized dualities as well [4–8]. To collect all these generalized cases, a neat doubled world sheet formalism was introduced known as the \mathcal{E} -models. These \mathcal{E} -models have included not only PL-dualizable σ -models but also η - and λ -deformed models [9]. Having an \mathcal{E} -model can correlate to defining a DFT on a two-dimensional (2D) D with invariance under 2D diffeomorphisms.

Complicated calculations in integrable deformations can be simplified by the use of PL symmetry, making the study of \mathcal{E} -models and DFTs useful [10,11]. DFT enables us to include the integrable models under a single umbrella, as was shown in [12,13]. In terms of DFT, various integrable models can be regarded as mere examples or special cases of these theories. The DFT formulation manifests Abelian *T*-duality at the level of low energy effective action by using a doubled coordinate using the coordinates that span the usual *D*-dimensional target space as well as the coordinates of the *T*-dual. In the working of DFT, *T*-duality maps, diffeomorphisms, and *B*-field gauge transformations are all viewed as O(D, D) transformations, where the DFT action remains invariant under the group O(D, D). Imposing the strong constraint on the DFT fields, i.e., demanding that they depend only on the *D*-dimensional target space coordinates, the low-energy effective action for strings is recovered. The O(D, D) scalar in DFT acts similar to the dilaton ϕ , and the generalized O(D, D) invariant metric \mathcal{H}_{MN} includes the information about the metric and the *B*-field. By the virtue of DFT, *T*-dualities can also be visualized in nonisometric directions [6,14–16].

By viewing the λ -model in the framework of \mathcal{E} -models, the author of Ref. [9] shows how we are able to see beyond the possible values of λ which were set to the range $0 \le \lambda \le 1$. This indicates how working in the doubled framework of \mathcal{E} -models/DFT more underlying subtleties can be brought to light. Reference [7] gives a target space description to the world sheet \mathcal{E} -models within the DFT for the usual λ -deformed model on \mathbb{D}/\tilde{H} . Reference [12] follows the work of [7] and uses the generalized Scherk-Schwarz ansatz to find the generalized frame field and extends the work to show how the same algebra can also cover the asymmetrical λ -deformation model. Reference [12] also discusses solution-generating techniques which are used to construct ways to find a set of metric, Kalb-Ramond field, and, dilaton (Neveu-Schwarz Neveu-Schwarz (NSNS) fields) which would also form a supergravity solution considering a known set of NSNS fields which are themselves a supergravity solution. This is performed by going to the doubled fields of DFT.

It was an interesting direction to find ways to deform an integrable nonlinear σ -model such that the integrability would still hold. The λ -deformed σ -model and the Yang-Baxter (YB) σ -model [17] are some of the well-studied examples of such integrable deformed models. A few years after the λ -model was introduced [18], Sfetsos *et al.* [19] extended the study to include nontrivial λ deformations, in the form of matrices rather than a number or parameter and formulated the generalized λ -deformation model.¹ These

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¹Another extension of the λ -deformation was proposed recently in [20].

generalized models elegantly not only included the usual previously known λ -model but also included the YB deformed models as a special case of the same generalized λ -model.

In this paper, we establish a doubled formalism in terms of the world sheet description given by an \mathcal{E} -model as well as transform this to give a target space description in terms of a DFT for the generalized λ -deformation model. In Sec. II, we recollect the known background and set up the general conventions that are to be followed in the rest of the paper. In Sec. III, we use the aforementioned procedure for the case of a generalized λ -deformation to get the corresponding \mathcal{E} -model and DFT description. In Sec. IV, we follow the work of [12] to embed the asymmetrical generalized λ -deformation model into DFT. We conclude in Sec. V by briefly summarizing the work and discussing some interesting directions. Some technical details are presented in the appendixes. Appendix A introduces the conventions used in this paper in a detailed manner. Appendix B reviews the relationship between the bi-Yang-Baxter model and the generalized λ -deformation that makes the DFT embedding of Sec. III applicable to the generalized η -deformation as well. Appendix C describes the basics of an \mathcal{E} -model, and Appendix D assists the work of Sec. III by giving the details on the derivation of the \mathcal{E} -map, projection operator $\mathcal{P}_m(\mathcal{E})$, as well as the generalized metric \mathcal{H}_{AB} .

II. REVIEW

We begin by gathering the results and conventions known and used in some of the previous works done in [7,9]. We recall the construction of a double field theory as well as its corresponding world sheet description given by the \mathcal{E} -model. We further revisit the generalized λ -model, which will be used in the next section for constructing a doubled framework of the deformed model.

A. Double field theory construction

The doubled theory considers a real Lie algebra \mathcal{D} of group \mathbb{D} with dimension 2D equipped with an invariant, nondegenerate, symmetric inner product $(.,.)_{\mathcal{D}}$. The generators for the algebra are given by the basis \mathbb{T}_A such that

$$[\mathbb{T}_A, \mathbb{T}_B] = \mathbb{F}_{AB}{}^C \mathbb{T}_C, \qquad (\mathbb{T}_A, \mathbb{T}_B)_{\mathcal{D}} = \eta_{AB}. \qquad (2.1)$$

The η_{AB} and the inverse η^{AB} are used to lower and raise the indices, respectively. A DFT is an O(D, D) invariant theory defined in this group \mathbb{D} . DFT has been used to embed nonlinear σ -models and understand nontrivial *T*-dualities as transformations that combine a theory on coordinates x^i and its dual theory defined on \tilde{x}_i where $i, \tilde{i} = 1, ..., D$. Therefore, the group \mathbb{D} is spanned by coordinates $X^I = (\tilde{x}_i, x^i)$ where I = 1, ..., 2D. The DFT is identified by a generalized metric \mathcal{H}_{AB} (that may depend on X^I),

generalized dilaton, and other corresponding generalized Ramond-Ramond (RR) fields. The DFT action constructed from these fields is invariant under conventional 2D diffeomorphisms and generalized diffeomorphisms. Here, consistency is ensured by implementing the section condition that demands the fields to depend only on the physical x^i coordinates. To incorporate the embedding of a nonlinear σ -model and the section condition, a maximally isotropic subalgebra with respect to $(.,.)_{\mathcal{D}}$ is considered $\tilde{\mathcal{H}} \subset \mathcal{D}$ corresponding to the subgroup $\tilde{H} \subset \mathbb{D}$. It has been known [6] that such a setup implies that there exists a nonlinear σ model on the target space \mathbb{D}/\tilde{H} . The basis is now written as $\mathbb{T}_A = (\tilde{T}^a, T_a)$, where \tilde{T}^a are the generators of \tilde{H} and T_a are the generators for \mathbb{D}/\tilde{H} . Therefore, in this basis,

$$\eta_{AB} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & \delta^a{}_b \\ \delta_a{}^b & 0 \end{pmatrix}. \tag{2.2}$$

It is not necessary for \mathbb{D}/\tilde{H} to be either a group manifold or a symmetric space; however, to relate this formalism with the deformed models that will be the case. The DFT is now identified by x^i dependent generalized metric $\hat{\mathcal{H}}_{\hat{I}\hat{J}}(x^i)$, generalized dilaton \hat{d} and other modified fields. The information of metric *G* and *B*-field of the physical theory embedded in the doubled framework of DFT can be seen in this generalized metric,

$$\hat{\mathcal{H}}_{\hat{I}\hat{J}}(x) = \begin{pmatrix} G^{-1} & -G^{-1}B\\ BG^{-1} & G - BG^{-1}B \end{pmatrix}_{\hat{I}\hat{J}}.$$
 (2.3)

The hatted indices indicate that the objects depend only on the coordinates x^i and not on $\tilde{x}_{\tilde{i}}$. The two generalized metrics \mathcal{H}_{AB} and $\hat{\mathcal{H}}_{\hat{i}\hat{j}}(x)$ are related by the coordinate dependent generalized frame fields $\hat{E}^A{}_{\hat{i}}$ whose existence is ensured by the way the target space \mathbb{D}/\tilde{H} is constructed [7],

$$\hat{\mathcal{H}}_{\hat{I}\hat{J}}(x) = \hat{E}^{A}{}_{\hat{I}}(x)\mathcal{H}_{AB}\hat{E}^{B}{}_{\hat{J}}(x).$$
(2.4)

The generalized metric \mathcal{H}_{AB} is used to describe the world sheet description corresponding to DFT known as the \mathcal{E} -model. The \mathcal{E} -model is a world sheet theory defined by a real linear map $\mathcal{E}: \mathcal{D} \to \mathcal{D}$ such that it is self-adjoint under the inner product $(.,.)_{\mathcal{D}}$ and idempotent, which implies

$$(\mathcal{E}x, y)_{\mathcal{D}} = (x, \mathcal{E}y)_{\mathcal{D}} \quad \forall \ x, y \in \mathcal{D}, \qquad \mathcal{E}^2 x = x \quad \forall \ x \in \mathcal{D}.$$

$$(2.5)$$

Note that, in terms of the basis, $\mathcal{E}(\mathbb{T}_A) = \mathcal{E}_A{}^B \mathbb{T}_B$. The map \mathcal{E} is parametrized in terms of a generalized metric \mathcal{H} ,

$$\mathcal{E}_A{}^B = \mathcal{H}_{AC} \eta^{CB}. \tag{2.6}$$

The generalized metric is symmetric and also obeys the relation

$$\mathcal{H}_{AB} = \mathcal{H}_{BA}, \qquad \mathcal{H}_{AC} \eta^{CD} \mathcal{H}_{DB} = \eta_{AB}. \qquad (2.7)$$

The following action of the \mathcal{E} -model describes the corresponding nonlinear σ -model defined by the \mathcal{E} -map on the target space \mathbb{D}/\tilde{H} :

$$S_{\mathbb{D}/\tilde{H}} = \tilde{k} S_{WZW}[f] - \frac{\tilde{k}}{\pi} \int d\sigma d\tau (\mathcal{P}_{f}(\mathcal{E})(f^{-1}\partial_{+}f), f^{-1}\partial_{-}f),$$

$$S_{WZW}[f] = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int d\sigma d\tau (f^{-1}\partial_{+}f, f^{-1}\partial_{-}f) + \frac{1}{24\pi} \int_{\text{bulk}} (f^{-1}df, [f^{-1}df, f^{-1}df]).$$
(2.8)

Here, for an element $g(X^I) \in \mathbb{D}$, it is decomposed as $g(X^I) = \tilde{h}(\tilde{x}_{\tilde{i}})f(x^i)$ such that $\tilde{h}(\tilde{x}_{\tilde{i}}) \in \tilde{H}$ and $f(x^i) \in \mathbb{D}/\tilde{H}$. The $\mathcal{P}_f(\mathcal{E})$ is a projection operator constructed as follows:

$$\mathcal{P}_{f}(\mathcal{E}): \mathcal{D} \to \mathcal{D}, \qquad \mathrm{Im}\mathcal{P}_{f}(\mathcal{E}) = \tilde{\mathcal{H}},$$
$$\mathrm{Ker}\mathcal{P}_{f}(\mathcal{E}) = (\mathbb{I} + \mathrm{Ad}_{f^{-1}}\mathcal{E}\mathrm{Ad}_{f})\tilde{\mathcal{H}}.$$
(2.9)

The \mathcal{E} -model is constructed to obtain the generalized metric \mathcal{H}_{AB} for the corresponding embedded model. Nonlinear σ -models for η - and λ -deformations have been established as an \mathcal{E} -model and hence as a DFT earlier in [7,9]. An important step in writing a σ -model in the doubled framework is to construct an appropriate \mathcal{E} -map, as per the given conditions, which would correctly reproduce the action of the desired model from the \mathcal{E} -model action (2.8). In the next section, this background setup will be used to build a similar structure of the \mathcal{E} -model and DFT for the specific case of the generalized λ -model.

B. Generalized λ -model

Here we briefly review the generalized λ -deformed model that will be embedded in a doubled formalism in the next section. The integrable generalized λ -deformed model was constructed [19] to treat nontrivial matrix deformations λ as compared to the model where λ was considered to be a number [18]. The known integrable principal chiral model (PCM) and Wess-Zumino-Witten (WZW) model are combined to obtain the generalized λ -model. A PCM model and a WZW model defined on group *G* are considered as follows:

$$S_{\rm PCM}(\hat{g}) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int d^2 \sigma \hat{F}_{ab} v^a_+(\hat{g}) v^b_-(\hat{g}), \qquad \hat{g} \in G, \quad (2.10)$$

$$S_{\text{WZW}}(g) = \frac{k}{4\pi} \int_{\sum} d^2 \sigma v_+^a v_-^b - \frac{k}{24\pi} \int_{\text{bulk}} f_{abc} v^a \wedge v^b \wedge v^c,$$
$$g \in G, \tag{2.11}$$

where the \hat{F}_{ab} is an arbitrary matrix deformation in the PCM and the adjoint action and left-right invariant Maurer-Cartan forms are given below where t^a are the generators and $f_{ab}{}^c$ is the structure constant of algebra \mathcal{G} for corresponding group G

$$D_{ab} = \text{Tr}[t^a g t^b g^{-1}], \quad e^a_{\pm} = i \text{Tr}[t^a g^{-1} \partial_{\pm} g], \quad v^a_{\mu} = D_{ab} e^b_{\mu}.$$
(2.12)

The two actions are added and the following subgroup H of symmetry is gauged by introducing a gauge field $A \rightarrow h^{-1}Ah + h^{-1}dh$:

$$\hat{g} \to \hat{g}h, \qquad g \to h^{-1}gh, \qquad h \in G.$$
 (2.13)

The gauge is further fixed by $\hat{g} = \mathbb{I}$ and the gauge fields are integrated out to give the action for the generalized λ -model,

$$S_{\lambda}(g) = S_{\text{WZW}}(g) + \frac{k}{2\pi} \int d^{2}\sigma e^{a}_{+} (\lambda^{-1} - D)^{-1}_{ab} v^{b}_{-},$$

where $\lambda^{-1} = \frac{1}{k} (\hat{F} + k\mathbb{I}).$ (2.14)

It should be noted that this model is integrable only for particular choices of the matrix \hat{F}_{ab} and hence for specific λ [19]. In particular, in Appendix B, we review the incorporation of the integrable bi-Yang-Baxter model into the framework of the generalized λ -deformation, making the results of this article on embedding of integrable models into DFT formalism applicable to the bi-Yang-Baxter deformation.² In the next section, we develop a DFT which embeds the system (2.14) in a doubled formalism; however, we treat λ as an arbitrary matrix in the construction without assuming any specific choice.

III. GENERALIZED λ -MODEL IN DOUBLED FORMALISM

In this section, we construct the nonlinear σ -model of the generalized λ -deformation in the doubled framework of the \mathcal{E} -model and DFT. We follow a procedure similar to [7,9] where η - and λ -deformed models were formulated as \mathcal{E} -models. However, we employ this procedure here for a generalized λ -model where λ is considered a matrix. This results in the corresponding \mathcal{E} -model that is further used to determine the generalized metric $\hat{\mathcal{H}}_{\hat{I}\hat{J}}(x)$ which identifies the DFT for the generalized λ -model. Therefore, we first develop the \mathcal{E} -model in Sec. III A and obtain the DFT generalized λ -model in Sec. III B.

A. \mathcal{E} -model for generalized λ -model

To establish the \mathcal{E} -model first, we begin by constructing an \mathcal{E} -map for the generalized λ -deformed model. Our main aim in this section is to obtain a projection operator $P_f(\mathcal{E})$

²We thank the referee for suggesting this addition.

using the \mathcal{E} -map, such that upon substitution the \mathcal{E} -model action (2.8) gives the known action [18,19] of the generalized λ -deformation model. The generalized λ -model action from (2.14) is rewritten in terms of the group element as follows (refer to Appendix A for details):

$$S_{\lambda}(g) = S_{\text{WZW}}(g) + \int d\xi^{+} d\xi^{-} (\partial_{+}gg^{-1}, (\lambda^{-1} - \text{Ad}_{g^{-1}})^{-1}g^{-1}\partial_{-}g),$$

$$S_{\text{WZW}}(g) = \frac{1}{2} \int d\xi^{+} d\xi^{-} (g^{-1}\partial_{+}g, g^{-1}\partial_{-}g) + \frac{1}{12} \int d^{-1} (dgg^{-1}, [dgg^{-1}, dgg^{-1}]). \quad (3.1)$$

Following [7,9,12], we consider the Drinfeld double \mathcal{D} and the direct sum $\mathcal{G} \oplus \mathcal{G}$, where \mathcal{G} is the real Lie algebra for the group G. The generators for \mathcal{G} are given by t_a such that $\kappa_{ab} = \langle t_a, t_b \rangle$. For the coset $M = \mathbb{D}/\tilde{H}$, the corresponding maximally isotropic subalgebra $\tilde{\mathcal{H}}$ is chosen to be the diagonal subalgebra, $\mathcal{G}_{\text{diag}}$ embedded in $\mathcal{G} \oplus \mathcal{G}$ by the map $X \to \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \{X, X\}$ for $X \in \mathcal{G}$. On the other hand, the antidiagonal subspace G_{antidiag} is embedded as $X \to \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \{X, -X\}$. Here, the isotropic subspace G_{antidiag} , $M = \mathbb{D}/\tilde{H}$ does not form a subgroup; however, it is still a symmetric space allowing us to construct a nonlinear σ -model on it.

Instead of working on the double \mathcal{D} , we work on the direct sum $\mathcal{G} \oplus \mathcal{G}$ [9]. A map between the algebras \mathcal{D} and $\mathcal{G} \oplus \mathcal{G}$ is required since the action (2.8) is constructed using the algebra \mathcal{D} . It is known that for each λ there exists an isomorphism $\Phi_{\lambda}: \mathcal{D} \to \mathcal{G} \oplus \mathcal{G}$ such that it preserves the inner product on \mathcal{D} and $\mathcal{G} \oplus \mathcal{G}$ up to a constant factor dependent on λ where the inner product for the double \mathcal{D} is given by [9]

$$(x_1 + x_2, y_1 + y_2)_{\mathcal{D}} \coloneqq (x_2, y_1) + (x_1, y_2),$$
 (3.2)

elements of the type $(x_1 + x_2)$ belong to \mathcal{D} , whereas the elements of the direct sum $\mathcal{G} \oplus \mathcal{G}$ are written as $\{\alpha, \beta\}$, with $x_i, y_i \in \mathcal{G}$, and the inner product for $\mathcal{G} \oplus \mathcal{G}$ is as follows:

$$(\{\alpha_1, \alpha_2\}, \{\beta_1, \beta_2\})_{\mathcal{G} \oplus \mathcal{G}} \coloneqq (\alpha_1, \beta_1) - (\alpha_2, \beta_2).$$
 (3.3)

This isomorphism Φ_{λ} is used to go from \mathcal{E} to \mathcal{E}_{λ} where $\mathcal{E}: \mathcal{D} \to \mathcal{D}$ and $\mathcal{E}_{\lambda}: \mathcal{G} \oplus \mathcal{G} \to \mathcal{G} \oplus \mathcal{G}$ such that

$$\mathcal{E}_{\lambda} \circ \Phi_{\lambda} = \Phi_{\lambda} \circ \mathcal{E}, \quad \text{where } \mathcal{E}(x_1 + x_2) = (x_2 + x_1).$$
(3.4)

The real linear map $\mathcal{E}_{\lambda}: \mathcal{G} \oplus \mathcal{G} \to \mathcal{G} \oplus \mathcal{G}$ that depends on λ is constructed by demanding it is idempotent and selfadjoint under the inner product of the algebra $\mathcal{G} \oplus \mathcal{G}$ as described in (2.5). A generic form in terms of arbitrary matrices acting on $X, Y \in \mathcal{G}$ is assumed for \mathcal{E}_{λ} , and the constraints (2.5) are solved for these matrices to obtain the mapping explicitly (detailed derivation can be found in Appendix D):

$$\mathcal{E}_{\lambda}(\{X,Y\}) = \{ [(1 - \lambda\lambda^{T})^{-1} + (\lambda^{-T}\lambda^{-1} - 1)^{-1}]X - 2(\lambda^{-1} - \lambda^{T})^{-1}Y, \\ 2(\lambda^{-T} - \lambda)^{-1}X - [(1 - \lambda^{T}\lambda)^{-1} + (\lambda^{-1}\lambda^{-T} - 1)^{-1}]Y \},$$
(3.5)

where $X, Y \in \mathcal{G}$. The above map \mathcal{E}_{λ} is related to the map \mathcal{E} (3.4) via the following isomorphism Φ_{λ} :

$$\Phi_{\lambda}(x_{1} + x_{2}) = \{x_{1} + (1 - \lambda\lambda^{T})^{-1}[1 + \lambda\lambda^{T} - 2\lambda]x_{2}, \\ x_{1} - (1 - \lambda^{T}\lambda)^{-1}[1 + \lambda^{T}\lambda - 2\lambda^{T}]x_{2}\}.$$
 (3.6)

This isomorphism as desired respects the inner product of the double \mathcal{D} as well as the inner product for the direct sum $\mathcal{G} \oplus \mathcal{G}$. We aim to compute the action for this \mathcal{E} -model given by (2.8) which requires a projection operator $P_f(\mathcal{E}_{\lambda})$ such that

$$ImP_{f}(\mathcal{E}_{\lambda}) = \mathcal{G}^{\delta} = (\alpha, \alpha),$$

Ker $P_{f}(\mathcal{E}_{\lambda}) = (\mathbb{I} + D_{f-1}\mathcal{E}_{\lambda}D_{f})\mathcal{G}^{\delta},$ (3.7)

where $\tilde{\mathcal{H}} = \mathcal{G}^{\delta}$ is the Lie algebra for the diagonal subgroup G_{diag} of $G \times G$, which has the elements of the type $\{\alpha, \alpha\}$ where $\alpha \in \mathcal{G}$. The projection operator is uniquely determined by using the constraints given above in (3.7) to get the generalized λ -model action and is given by

$$P_{\{g,e\}}(\mathcal{E}_{\lambda})(\alpha,\beta) = ((1-D^{-1}\lambda^{-T})^{-1}\alpha + (1-\lambda^{T}D)^{-1}\beta, (1-D^{-1}\lambda^{-T})^{-1}\alpha + (1-\lambda^{T}D)^{-1}\beta).$$
(3.8)

Using this projection operator in the action from (2.8) for $f = \{g, e\} \in G \times G/G_{\text{diag}}$ where $g \in G$ and e is the identity,

$$S_{\mathbb{D}/\tilde{H}} = S_{\mathrm{WZW}}[f] - \frac{1}{\pi} \int d\sigma d\tau (\mathcal{P}_f(\mathcal{E}_{\lambda})(f^{-1}\partial_+ f), f^{-1}\partial_- f)_{\mathcal{G} \oplus \mathcal{G}},$$
(3.9)

we reproduce the action for the generalized λ -deformed model given by (3.1),

$$S_{\lambda}(g) = S_{\text{WZW}}(g) + \int d\xi^{+} d\xi^{-} (\partial_{+}gg^{-1}, (\lambda^{-1} - \text{Ad}_{g^{-1}})^{-1}g^{-1}\partial_{-}g).$$
(3.10)

This shows how we can embed the generalized λ -model into a \mathcal{E} -model by constructing an appropriate \mathcal{E} -map. The \mathcal{E} -map (3.5) and the isomorphism Φ_{λ} (3.6) obtained here are consistent with the results obtained in [9] as they boil down to the following corresponding mappings for the case when λ is assumed to be a number (denoted by $\tilde{\lambda}$ to distinguish from the case when λ is a matrix),

$$\mathcal{E}_{\tilde{\lambda}}(\{X,Y\}) = \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{1-\tilde{\lambda}}{1+\tilde{\lambda}} + \frac{1+\tilde{\lambda}}{1-\tilde{\lambda}} \right) \{X,-Y\} + \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{1-\tilde{\lambda}}{1+\tilde{\lambda}} - \frac{1+\tilde{\lambda}}{1-\tilde{\lambda}} \right) \{Y,-X\}, \Phi_{\tilde{\lambda}}(x_1 + x_2) = \left\{ x_1 + \frac{1-\tilde{\lambda}}{1+\tilde{\lambda}} x_2, x_1 - \frac{1-\tilde{\lambda}}{1+\tilde{\lambda}} x_2 \right\}.$$
(3.11)

To find the DFT description of the generalized λ -model we further use the derived \mathcal{E} -map to obtain the generalized metric \mathcal{H}_{AB} in the following section.

B. Generalized metric \mathcal{H}_{AB} and $\hat{\mathcal{H}}_{\hat{I}\hat{I}}$

The generalized metric \mathcal{H}_{AB} along with the generalized frame fields will be used to obtain the coordinate dependent generalized metric $\hat{\mathcal{H}}_{\hat{I}\hat{J}}(x)$ which defines the DFT corresponding to the world sheet \mathcal{E} -model derived earlier. We use the derived \mathcal{E} -map (3.5) and the constraint (2.6) that parametrizes $\mathcal{E}_A{}^B$ in terms of the generalized metric to determine \mathcal{H}_{AB} as follows (detailed derivation can be found in Appendix D):

$$\mathcal{H}_{AB} = \frac{1}{2} \begin{pmatrix} (A_1 - A_2 + B_1 - B_2)\kappa^{-1} & (A_1 + A_2 + B_1 + B_2)\kappa^{-1} \\ (A_1 - A_2 - B_1 + B_2)\kappa & (A_1 + A_2 - B_1 - B_2)\kappa \end{pmatrix},$$
(3.12)

where

$$A_{1} = [(1 - \lambda \lambda^{T})^{-1} + (\lambda^{-T} \lambda^{-1} - 1)^{-1}], \quad A_{2} = -2(\lambda^{-1} - \lambda^{T})^{-1},$$

$$B_{2} = -[(1 - \lambda^{T} \lambda)^{-1} + (\lambda^{-1} \lambda^{-T} - 1)^{-1}], \quad B_{1} = 2(\lambda^{-T} - \lambda)^{-1},$$

(3.13)

where η_{AB} is given by (2.2). It has been established in [7] that for each group \mathbb{D} with a nondegenerate, ad-invariant bilinear form η and a maximally isotropic subgroup \tilde{H} , a generalized frame field $\hat{E}_A{}^{\hat{I}} \in O(D, D)$ that depends only on the coordinates x^i can be defined on the symmetric space \mathbb{D}/\tilde{H} .

Here, such a generalized frame field can be defined on the space $G \times G/G_{\text{diag}}$ which is parametrized by $f \in G \times G/G_{\text{diag}}$. The authors of Ref. [7] use the parametrization $f = \{\bar{g}, \bar{g}^{-1}\}$ for $\bar{g} \in G$, which defers to the convention $f = \{g, e\}$ followed here [9] in defining the \mathcal{E} -model. To match the conventions, an identification $\bar{g}^2 =$ $g \in G$ is employed. The generalized frame field $\hat{E}_A^{\hat{I}}$ is ultimately given by [7]

$$\hat{E}_{A}^{I} = \frac{1}{2} \begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(1+D) & \sqrt{2}\kappa^{-1}(1-D) \\ \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(1-D)\kappa & \sqrt{2}(1+D) \end{pmatrix}_{A}^{B} \begin{pmatrix} e & 0 \\ 0 & e^{-T} \end{pmatrix}_{B}^{\hat{I}}$$
(3.14)

where *e* is the left-invariant form and $D = Ad_g$ is the adjoint action of *G*. The adjoint action *D* is orthogonal, $D^T = D^{-1}$, and hence commutes with κ and κ^{-1} . The generalized frame field can be decomposed in terms of ρ , *b*, β as

$$\hat{E}_A \hat{I} = \begin{pmatrix} \rho^{-T} & 0\\ 0 & \rho \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0\\ b & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & \beta\\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} e & 0\\ 0 & e^{-T} \end{pmatrix}, \quad (3.15)$$

where

$$\rho^{-T} = \frac{1}{2\sqrt{2}}(1+D), \qquad b = \frac{1}{8}(D^{-1}-D)\kappa,$$

and $\beta = 2\kappa^{-1}\frac{1-D}{1+D}.$ (3.16)

This decomposition will be used for comparing with the generalized frame fields used in [12] and in the following section. This decomposition in terms of the parameters ρ , b, and β is the most general parametrization for O(D, D) where β^{ij} and b_{ij} are antisymmetric and the matrix $\rho \in GL(D)$.

We can now gather the generalized frame field as stated above (3.15) and the generalized metric \mathcal{H}_{AB} obtained in (3.12), in the following relation to determine the DFT coordinate dependent metric $\hat{\mathcal{H}}^{\hat{I}\hat{J}}(x)$:

$$\hat{\mathcal{H}}^{\hat{I}\hat{J}}(x) = \hat{E}_A{}^{\hat{I}}\mathcal{H}^{AB}\hat{E}_B{}^{\hat{J}}.$$
(3.17)

To visualize the embedding of the nonlinear σ -model we can compare the known metric $\hat{\mathcal{H}}^{\hat{l}\hat{j}}(x)$ obtained from (3.17) to the known format of the metric to read off the metric *G* and *B*-field of the σ -model,

$$\hat{\mathcal{H}}_{\hat{j}\hat{j}}(x) = \begin{pmatrix} G^{-1} & -G^{-1}B \\ BG^{-1} & G - BG^{-1}B \end{pmatrix}_{\hat{j}\hat{j}}.$$
 (3.18)

This gives the following metric and *B*-field which precisely match with the results known for a generalized λ -deformed model in [19,21,22]

$$ds^{2} = \frac{1}{2} [(\hat{O}_{g^{-1}} + \hat{O}_{g} - 1)\kappa]_{ab} e^{a} \otimes e^{b}, \quad (3.19)$$

$$B = B_{\text{WZW}} + \frac{1}{4} [\hat{O}_{g^{-1}} - \hat{O}_g]_{ab} e^a \wedge e^b, \quad (3.20)$$

where

$$\hat{O}_g = (1 - \lambda D)^{-1}, \qquad \hat{O}_{g^{-1}} = (1 - D^{-1}\lambda^T)^{-1}.$$
 (3.21)

The above expressions (3.18), (3.19), and (3.20) provide the supergravity embedding of the generalized λ -deformed model in the doubled formalism of a DFT. Here, we have only focused on finding the metric, and the *B*-field and evaluation of the RR fields require separate investigation.

IV. ASYMMETRICAL GENERALIZED λ -DEFORMATION

The generalized λ -deformed model on a symmetric space $\mathbb{D}/\tilde{H} = G \times G/G_{\text{diag}}$ is extended to incorporate the possibility of deforming the left-right asymmetrically gauged WZW model [23,24]. This modified model is constructed by gauging the following:

$$g \to h^{-1}gh', \qquad \hat{g} \to h^{-1}\hat{g},$$

$$(4.1)$$

instead of

$$g \to h^{-1}gh, \qquad \hat{g} \to \hat{g}h, \qquad (4.2)$$

where the WZW and PCM models are defined as (2.11) and (2.10), respectively, along with $h = e^{G^a t_a} \in G$ and $h' = e^{G^a t_a} \in G$ such that $t'_a = W t_a$. The *W* is a constant outer automorphism of the algebra that preserves κ . Upon gauge fixing by setting $\hat{g} = \mathbb{I}$, the asymmetrical λ -model is given by [23]

$$S_{\lambda}(g,W) = S_{WZW} + \frac{1}{\pi} \int d\sigma d\tau \langle \partial_{+}gg^{-1}, (\lambda^{-1} - D_{g}W)^{-1}\partial_{-}gg^{-1} \rangle.$$

$$(4.3)$$

This deforms the left-right asymmetrically gauged $\mathbb{D}/\tilde{H}_{AS}$ WZW model instead of the vectorially gauged \mathbb{D}/\tilde{H} WZW model. As followed in the previous section, we aim here to give a doubled framework in terms of an \mathcal{E} -model and DFT for the asymmetrical generalized λ -deformed model described by (4.3). It has been suggested in [12] that the parametrization and hence the generalized frame field that describes the DFT for the symmetrically gauged λ -model (λ as a number) can also be used to describe the asymmetrical extension of the model. Hence, we shall use the results obtained in the previous section for the asymmetrically gauged generalized model.

Following the same procedure, we develop the \mathcal{E} -model to find the generalized metric \mathcal{H}_{AB} . The action (4.3) is obtained by first using the parametrization $f = \{\bar{g}, \bar{g}^{-1}\}$ with the corresponding left-right form, and $\bar{g}^2 = \tilde{g} \in G$ is set to respect the conventions. Another parametrization is considered to incorporate the W such that $f = \{g, g^{-1}\}$ such that the adjoint action is nontrivially related to the parametrization as $\operatorname{Ad}_{\tilde{g}} = \operatorname{Ad}_{g}.W$. The authors of Ref. [12] visualize the working of W by considering a constant $W \in$ exp \mathcal{G} such that $\tilde{g} = gw$ and defines $W(t_i) = wt_i w^{-1}$ indicating that W is orthogonal. The \mathcal{E} -map (3.5) and the projection operator (3.8) written for the element \tilde{g} are used to compute the action. To address the embedding and DFT, we require the generalized frame field that by using the parametrization (3.15)³ is redefined in terms of ρ , β , and b to be [12]

$$\rho^{-1} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (1 + \operatorname{Ad}_{g} W) v^{-1}, \qquad \beta = -\kappa^{-1} \frac{1 - \operatorname{Ad}_{g} W}{1 + \operatorname{Ad}_{g} W},$$
$$b = \frac{1}{4} (\operatorname{Ad}_{g} W - W^{-1} \operatorname{Ad}_{g}^{-1}) \kappa.$$
(4.5)

Since the same \mathcal{E} -map from (3.5) is used, we work with the same generalized metric \mathcal{H}_{AB} as given in (3.12), and the relation (2.6) to find the coordinate dependent generalized metric $\hat{\mathcal{H}}_{\hat{l}\hat{j}}$ to identify the DFT for the asymmetrical model. The following information of the embedded metric G and B-field is read off from the known format of $\hat{\mathcal{H}}_{\hat{l}\hat{j}}$ (3.18),

$$G = \frac{1}{2} [(\hat{O}_{g^{-1}}^w + \hat{O}_g^w - 1)\kappa]_{ab} e^a \otimes e^b, \qquad (4.6)$$

$$B = B_{\rm WZW} + \frac{1}{2} [\hat{O}_{g^{-1}}^w - \hat{O}_g^w]_{ab} e^a \wedge e^b, \qquad (4.7)$$

where

$$\hat{O}_{g}^{w} = (1 - \lambda DW)^{-1}, \qquad \hat{O}_{g^{-1}}^{w} = (1 - W^{-1}D^{-1}\lambda^{T})^{-1}.$$
 (4.8)

The above match the previously obtained results in (3.19) and (3.20) for the symmetric case (considering the change in conventions) when *W* is set to 1. Therefore this extends the doubled framework of DFT for the asymmetrical generalized λ -deformed model as well.

Given a DFT formulation in terms of the generalized frame field and the underlying Drinfeld algebra, article [12] classified various parametrizations into orbits identified by the nonzero generalized flux components. The algebraic structures involved in this classification were expressed in terms of frame fields and Drinfeld doubles, and these ingredients do not depend on the deformation parameters. Therefore, the classification of [12] works for the generalized λ -deformation as well. For completeness, we briefly review this construction here.

$$E \sim \begin{pmatrix} 1 & \beta \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ b & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \rho^T & 0 \\ 0 & \rho^{-1} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} v^T & 0 \\ 0 & v \end{pmatrix}.$$
(4.4)

³There are slight differences in how the decomposition is used in [12] as compared to the one used in the previous section, and the change has been incorporated in the (ρ, β, b) given here. The decomposition is as follows $(e = g^{-1}dg$ is replaced by $v = dgg^{-1}$ here):

To classify the orbits, the authors of [12] began with writing the commutation relations (2.1) in more explicit form as⁴

$$[T_a, T_b] = F_{ab}{}^c T_c + H_{abc} \tilde{T}^c, \quad [T_a, \tilde{T}^b] = Q_a{}^{bc} T_c - F_{ac}{}^b \tilde{T}^c,$$

$$[\tilde{T}^a, \tilde{T}^b] = Q_c{}^{ab} \tilde{T}^c + R^{abc} T_c. \tag{4.9}$$

The orbits were labeled by the nonvanishing fluxes out of F, Q, H, R. A particular orbit covered all the different parametrizations (generalized frame fields) that gave the same generalized fluxes.

For the generalized λ -deformation model, we considered the double $\mathcal{G} \oplus \mathcal{G}$ and took the maximally isotropic subgroup to be the diagonal $\mathcal{G}_{\text{diag}}$. The fluxes for the undeformed theory are given by [7]

$$H_{abc} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} f_{ab}{}^d \kappa_{dc}, \qquad Q_a{}^{bc} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \kappa_{ad} \kappa^{be} \kappa^{cg} f_{eg}{}^d,$$

$$F_{ab}{}^c = 0, \qquad R^{abc} = 0, \qquad (4.10)$$

where $f_{ab}{}^c$ are the structure constants of \mathcal{G} . Since the classification of orbits depends only on the generalized frame fields (parametrization) and the Drinfeld double structure, but not on the deformation parameters, the authors of [12] concluded that the (asymmetrical) λ -deformation model falls into the (H, Q)-orbit, which has only H and Q fluxes. The generalized λ -deformation has the same underlying algebraic structure (4.10); therefore, it also falls into the (H, Q)-orbit, for both symmetric and asymmetric deformations.

V. CONCLUSION AND OUTLOOK

In this work, we extended the doubled formalism of the \mathcal{E} -model and DFT for the generalized λ -deformation. Our results (3.12)–(3.13) and (3.19)–(3.20) are in agreement with the supergravity equations as the section condition was satisfied by ensuring the manifold was created by cosetting a maximally isotropic subgroup \tilde{H} of \mathbb{D} . We also commented on the asymmetrical generalized λ -deformation and its embedding into DFT. It was worth noting to see that the parametrization used for usual the λ -model also resulted in the DFT for the generalized model. Correspondingly, the results obtained in this paper boil down to the outcomes of the usual model when λ is assumed to be a simple parameter instead of a matrix.

Here, we only focused on obtaining the metric and the Kalb-Ramond field from the DFT framework. However, this can be further continued to a complicated calculation of finding the dilaton and the RR fields as performed in [7].

T-dualities in nonisometric directions are also made possible in the framework of DFT by having dependence on the dual coordinates. Since the doubled formalism highlights hidden symmetries, it would be interesting to use the methods developed in this article to identify such nonlocal symmetries for the generalized λ -deformations of specific manifolds such as AdS_p × S^q [25–28].

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APPENDIX A: CONVENTIONS

We follow the notations used in [7,29] throughout this paper. The indices A, B, ... = 1, 2, ..., 2D are the flat $O(1, D - 1) \times O(D - 1, 1)$ indices and $I, J, \hat{I}, \hat{J}, ... =$ 1, 2, ..., 2D are the algebra indices where the hatted indices $\hat{I}, \hat{J}, ...,$ indicate their dependence strictly on the coordinates x^i and not on the dual coordinates $\tilde{x}_{\tilde{i}}$. The indices M, N, ..., are the curved O(D, D) indices.

The real Lie algebra \mathcal{D} has the corresponding group \mathbb{D} with generators $\{\mathbb{T}_A\}$ that obey the commutation relations as given in (2.1). The doubled coordinates here are denoted by $X^I = (x^i, \tilde{x}_i)$. The maximally isotropic subgroup for \mathbb{D} is denoted by \tilde{H} with the corresponding algebra $\tilde{\mathcal{H}}$. The generators for \mathcal{H} are given by $\{\tilde{T}^a\}$ with structure constants $\tilde{F}^{ab}{}_c$ and the space is spanned by the dual coordinates \tilde{x}_i .

The generalized λ -model is defined on the group G with corresponding algebra denoted by \mathcal{G} . The generators of the algebra are $\{t_a\}$ with inner product $(t_a, t_b) = \kappa_{ab}$ and structure constants $f_{ab}{}^c$. The maximally isotropic subgroup for the double $G \times G$ is given by the diagonal subgroup G_{diag} generated by $x \to \{x, x\}/\sqrt{2}$. The complementary isotropic symmetric space is the antidiagonal group G_{antidiag} . The left (e) and right (v) invariant Maurer-Cartan forms in terms of the element $g \in G$ for algebra \mathcal{G} obey the following:

$$g^{-1}dg = e^{a}t_{a} = e^{a}{}_{i}dx^{i}t_{a}, \qquad dgg^{-1} = v^{a}t_{a} = v^{a}{}_{i}dx^{i}t_{a},$$

$$Ad_{g}h = Dh = D_{g}h = ghg^{-1},$$

$$Ad_{g^{-1}}h = D^{-1}h = D_{g^{-1}}h = g^{-1}hg,$$

$$v = De, \quad D^{T} = D^{-1}, \quad \kappa D = D\kappa, \quad \kappa D^{T} = D^{T}\kappa.$$
(A1)

In literature, the generalized λ -deformation is sometimes also identified by the following action [19]:

⁴Recall that the generators of the Lie algebra \mathcal{D} are given by $\mathbb{T}_A = (\tilde{T}^a, T_a)$, where $\{\tilde{T}^a\}$ are the generators of \tilde{H} , the maximally isotropic subgroup of \mathbb{D} , and $\{T_a\}$ span the complementary \mathbb{D}/\tilde{H} .

$$\begin{split} S_{\lambda}(g) &= \frac{1}{2} \int d\xi^{+} d\xi^{-} (g^{-1} \partial_{+} g, g^{-1} \partial_{-} g) \\ &+ \frac{1}{12} \int d^{-1} (dgg^{-1}, [dgg^{-1}, dgg^{-1}]) \\ &+ \int d\xi^{+} d\xi^{-} (g^{-1} \partial_{+} g, (\lambda^{-1} - \mathrm{Ad}_{g})^{-1} \partial_{-} gg^{-1}). \end{split}$$

$$(A2)$$

The actions in (A2) and (3.1) can both be used as they are related by the element inversion given below. To respect the conventions followed throughout the paper, we shall consider the action to be given by (3.1) as per [18]; however, the following transformation can be used to get the results aiming for the action in (A2):

$$g \to g^{-1}$$
: $L^a \leftrightarrow -R^a$ $D \leftrightarrow D^T$ $e^a \leftrightarrow -\tilde{e}^a$.
(A3)

APPENDIX B: EMBEDDING bi-YB σ -MODEL INTO GENERALIZED λ -MODEL

In this appendix, we summarize the connection between the bi-Yang-Baxter (bi-YB) σ -model and the generalized λ -deformation [19,30]. The bi-YB model was introduced in [31] and the action reads

$$S_{\text{bi-YB}} = \frac{1}{2\pi t} \int d^2 \sigma (g^{-1}\partial_+ g, (1 - \eta \mathcal{R} - \rho \mathcal{R}_g)^{-1} g^{-1} \partial_- g).$$
(B1)

Here, η and ρ are the two deformation parameters and $\mathcal{R}_g = D_{g^{-1}}\mathcal{R}D_g$. The antisymmetric matrix \mathcal{R} is a solution of the modified YB equation,

$$[\mathcal{R}A, \mathcal{R}B] - \mathcal{R}([\mathcal{R}A, B] + [A, \mathcal{R}B]) = -c^2[A, B]$$

for $A, B \in \mathcal{G}, \quad c \in \mathbb{C}.$ (B2)

Following earlier studies of relationship between a single parameter YB σ -model and λ -deformation [9], article [30] related the generalized λ -deformation of a YB σ -model to a bi-YB σ -model by a Poisson-Lie *T*-duality and analytic continuation.⁵ Specifically starting with the bi-YB model and rewriting its PL *T*-dual as

$$S_{\text{PL T-dual}}(p) = -iS_{\text{WZW}}(p^2)$$
$$-ik \int d^2\sigma \left(\left(\frac{1+i\eta+\rho\mathcal{R}}{1-i\eta+\rho\mathcal{R}} - D_{p^2} \right)^{-1} \times \partial_+(p^2)p^{-2}, p^{-2}\partial_-(p^2) \right), \tag{B3}$$

the author of [30] demonstrated that this is an analytically continued generalized λ -model (2.14),⁶

$$S_{\text{gen},\lambda}(g) = S_{\text{WZW}}(g) + k \int d^2 \sigma((\lambda^{-1} - D_g)^{-1} \partial_+ g g^{-1}, g^{-1} \partial_- g)$$
(B4)

with

$$\lambda^{-1} = \frac{1 + i\eta + \rho \mathcal{R}}{1 - i\eta + \rho \mathcal{R}}.$$
 (B5)

On the other hand, starting with the YB-model

$$S_{\rm YB} = \frac{1}{2\pi\tilde{t}} \int d^2\sigma (g^{-1}\partial_+g, (1-\tilde{\eta}\mathcal{R})^{-1}g^{-1}\partial_-g), \quad ({\rm B6})$$

and deforming it according to (2.14) with

$$\hat{F} = \frac{1}{\tilde{t}} (\mathbb{I} - \tilde{\eta} \mathcal{R})^{-1}, \tag{B7}$$

one finds (B4) with

$$\lambda^{-1} = \frac{1}{k\tilde{t}} (\mathbb{I} - \tilde{\eta}\mathcal{R})^{-1} + \mathbb{I},$$
 (B8)

and the deformation parameters (B5) and (B8) are related by an analytic continuation,

$$\rho = -\frac{2k\tilde{t}\,\tilde{\eta}}{2k\tilde{t}+1}, \qquad \eta = -\frac{i}{2k\tilde{t}+1}. \tag{B9}$$

To summarize, in this appendix we have incorporated the generalized η -model into the framework of the generalized λ -deformation. In Sec. III, we embed the latter into the DFT formalism, thus providing such embedding for the integrable generalized η -model as well.

APPENDIX C: BACKGROUND ON E-MODEL

In this appendix, we review some of the basics of the \mathcal{E} -model. For a real linear algebra \mathcal{D} as defined above, an infinite dimensional Poisson manifold $P_{\mathcal{D}}$ is constructed, parametrized by coordinates $j^A(\sigma)$ such that the Poisson bracket is given by

$$\{j^{A}(\sigma), j^{B}(\sigma')\}_{\text{P.B.}} = \mathbb{F}^{AB}{}_{C}j^{C}(\sigma)\delta(\sigma - \sigma') + \eta^{AB}\partial_{\sigma}\delta(\sigma - \sigma'),$$
(C1)

where $\mathbb{F}^{AB}{}_{C}$ are the structure constants of \mathcal{D} , indicating that the $P_{\mathcal{D}}$ plays the role of the current algebra for \mathcal{D} . The map $j = j^{A} \mathbb{T}_{A}$ takes values in \mathcal{D} . A Hamiltonian $H_{\mathcal{E}}$ in $j^{A}(\sigma)$ is obtained using the \mathcal{E} -map

⁵For the SU(2) group and SU(2)/U(1) coset, this was done earlier in [19].

⁶The explicit analytic continuation between p and g can be found in [30].

$$\mathbf{H}_{\mathcal{E}} \coloneqq \frac{1}{2} \oint d\sigma(j(\sigma), \mathcal{E}(j(\sigma)))_{\mathcal{D}}. \tag{C2}$$

The \mathcal{E} -model is defined as the dynamical system on the phase space given by $P_{\mathcal{D}}$ and the Hamiltonian $H_{\mathcal{E}}$, giving a doubled description for a world sheet theory. The Lie algebra \mathcal{D} is assumed to have a linear one-parameter family of the structure constants such that

$$\mathbb{F}^{AB}{}_{C} = \mathbb{F}^{AB}{}_{0}{}_{C} + \varepsilon \mathbb{F}^{AB}{}_{1}{}_{C}, \qquad \varepsilon \in \mathbb{R}, \qquad (C3)$$

with the corresponding Poisson brackets given by

$$\{j^{A}(\sigma), j^{B}(\sigma')\}_{P.B.} = \{j^{A}(\sigma), j^{B}(\sigma')\}_{0} + \varepsilon\{j^{A}(\sigma), j^{B}(\sigma')\}_{1}.$$
(C4)

The parameter ϵ holds quite a significance in the context of \mathcal{E} -models. The author of Ref. [9] describes how the ϵ acts as an umbrella for various σ -models that are described by the \mathcal{E} -models. The principal chiral model is embedded into the formalism of the \mathcal{E} -model for the case when $\epsilon = 0$, while for negative ϵ values, the η -deformed model is addressed. ϵ can also be thought of as the parameter involved such as λ or η when dealing with the corresponding model. The author of Ref. [9] has described ϵ in terms of $\tilde{\lambda}$ for the λ -deformed model as $\epsilon = \frac{1-\tilde{\lambda}}{1+\lambda}$, and it was observed that in this doubled formalism ϵ could see more values of $\tilde{\lambda}$ as $\tilde{\lambda}$ could now range between $\{-1, 1\}$ instead of $\{0, 1\}$ for a positive ϵ . This emphasizes one of the benefits of working in \mathcal{E} -models and DFTs.

APPENDIX D: DERIVING \mathcal{E}_{λ} -MAP AND ISOMORPHISM Φ_{λ}

In Sec. III, we work in the double algebra $\mathcal{G} \oplus \mathcal{G}$ instead of the algebra \mathcal{D} and use the isomorphism Φ_{λ} to map the two algebras. Therefore, we look at the derivation for the real linear map $\mathcal{E}_{\lambda}: \mathcal{G} \oplus \mathcal{G} \to \mathcal{G} \oplus \mathcal{G}$ here. We assume a general form for \mathcal{E}_{λ} -map as follows for some arbitrary matrices A_i and B_i :

$$\mathcal{E}_{\lambda}(\{X,Y\}) = \{A_1X + A_2Y, B_1X + B_2Y\}, \text{ where } X, Y \in \mathcal{G}.$$

(D1)

The \mathcal{E}_{λ} -map is required to be idempotent and self-adjoint under $(.,.)_{\mathcal{G}\oplus\mathcal{G}}$ (3.3) which can be written as follows for $x, y \in \mathcal{G} \oplus \mathcal{G}$:

$$(\mathcal{E}_{\lambda}x, y)_{\mathcal{G}\oplus\mathcal{G}} = (x, \mathcal{E}_{\lambda}y)_{\mathcal{G}\oplus\mathcal{G}}, \qquad \mathcal{E}_{\lambda}x^2 = x.$$
 (D2)

We use the general form (D1) to rewrite the above equations as constraints on the matrices A_i and B_i ,

$$A_1^T = A_1, \qquad B_2^T = B_2, \qquad A_2 = -B_1^T,$$

$$A_1A_2 + A_2B_2 = 0, \qquad B_1A_1 + B_2B_1 = 0,$$

$$B_1A_2 + B_2B_2 = 1, \qquad A_1A_1 + A_2B_1 = 1.$$
 (D3)

The authors of Ref. [7] make a particular choice for the isomorphism Φ_{λ}^{7} to develop the \mathcal{E} -model for the λ -model. Here, we derive the isomorphism Φ_{λ} using the \mathcal{E}_{λ} -map; hence we make the following choice for matrix B_{1} instead:

$$B_1 = 2(\lambda^{-T} - \lambda)^{-1} = 2(1 - \lambda^T \lambda)^{-1} \lambda^T = 2\lambda^T (1 - \lambda \lambda^T)^{-1}.$$
(D4)

Using the constraints (D3), the other matrices can be obtained by solving

$$A_{2} = -2(\lambda^{-1} - \lambda^{T})^{-1} = -2\lambda(1 - \lambda^{T}\lambda)^{-1}$$

= $-2(1 - \lambda\lambda^{T})^{-1}\lambda$,
$$B_{2}B_{2} = 1 - B_{1}A_{2}, \qquad A_{1}A_{1} = 1 - A_{2}B_{1}.$$
 (D5)

The result is

$$B_2 = -[(1 - \lambda^T \lambda)^{-1} + (\lambda^{-1} \lambda^{-T} - 1)^{-1}],$$

$$A_1 = [(1 - \lambda \lambda^T)^{-1} + (\lambda^{-T} \lambda^{-1} - 1)^{-1}].$$
 (D6)

This results in the \mathcal{E}_{λ} -map to be

$$\mathcal{E}_{\lambda}(\{X,Y\}) = \{ [(1 - \lambda\lambda^{T})^{-1} + (\lambda^{-T}\lambda^{-1} - 1)^{-1}]X - 2(\lambda^{-1} - \lambda^{T})^{-1}Y, \\ 2(\lambda^{-T} - \lambda)^{-1}X - [(1 - \lambda^{T}\lambda)^{-1} + (\lambda^{-1}\lambda^{-T} - 1)^{-1}]Y \}.$$
(D7)

This choice for matrix B_1 (D4) is motivated by the known form of \mathcal{E}_{λ} -map considered in [7] for the case when λ is assumed to be a number. The matrices A_i and B_i agree with the mapping used in [7] as they simplify as follows for λ being a number,

$$A_1 = -B_2 = \frac{1+\lambda^2}{1-\lambda^2}, \qquad -A_2 = B_1 = \frac{2\lambda}{1-\lambda^2}.$$
 (D8)

The \mathcal{E}_{λ} -map is related to $\mathcal{E}: \mathcal{D} \to \mathcal{D}$ via the isomorphism $\Phi_{\lambda}: \mathcal{D} \to \mathcal{G} \oplus \mathcal{G}$ where we obtain the constraints

$$\mathcal{E}_{\lambda} \circ \Phi_{\lambda} = \Phi_{\lambda} \circ \mathcal{E}, \text{ where } \mathcal{E}(x_1 + x_2) = (x_2 + x_1).$$
 (D9)

We now determine this isomorphism Φ_{λ} using the structure considered for \mathcal{E}_{λ} -map in (D1). Let us also assume a general form for Φ_{λ} for $\alpha + \beta \in \mathcal{D}$, where we shall use the known conditions (D3) to find the C_i and D_i ,

$$\Phi_{\epsilon}(\alpha \dot{+} \beta) = \{C_1 \alpha + C_2 \beta, D_1 \alpha + D_2 \beta\}.$$
(D10)

⁷The isomorphism Φ_{λ} and \mathcal{E}_{λ} -map here are denoted by Φ_{ϵ} and \mathcal{E}_{ϵ} , respectively, in [7].

Substituting the above and the form of \mathcal{E}_{λ} -map in the $C_1^T C_1 - D_1^T D_1 =$

$$A_1C_1 + A_2D_1 = C_2,$$
 $A_1C_2 + A_2D_2 = C_1,$
 $B_1C_1 + B_2D_1 = D_2,$ $B_1C_2 + B_2D_2 = D_1.$ (D11)

constraint (D9), we obtain the following relations:

Further demanding that the inner product with respect to \mathcal{D} is preserved up to a constant factor (Λ) by the isomorphism Φ_{λ} we obtain the constraints

$$(\Phi_{\lambda}(x), \Phi_{\lambda}(y))_{\mathcal{G}\oplus\mathcal{G}} = \Lambda(x, y)_{\mathcal{D}}, \qquad x, y \in D, \quad (D12)$$

$$C_1^T C_1 - D_1^T D_1 = 0, \qquad C_2^T C_2 - D_2^T D_2 = 0,$$

$$C_1^T C_2 - D_1^T D_2 = C_2^T C_1 - D_2^T D_1 = \Lambda.$$
(D13)

Choosing $C_1 = 1$ and $D_1 = 1$, we determine C_2 and D_2 using the conditions in (D11) as

$$C_{2} = A_{1} + A_{2} = (1 - \lambda \lambda^{T})^{-1} + (\lambda^{-T} \lambda^{-1} - 1)^{-1}$$

$$- 2(\lambda^{-1} - \lambda^{T})^{-1}$$

$$= (1 - \lambda \lambda^{T})^{-1} [1 + \lambda \lambda^{T} - 2\lambda],$$

$$D_{2} = B_{1} + B_{2} = -(1 - \lambda^{T} \lambda)^{-1} - (\lambda^{-1} \lambda^{-T} - 1)^{-1}$$

$$+ 2(\lambda^{-T} - \lambda)^{-1}$$

$$= -(1 - \lambda^{T} \lambda)^{-1} [1 + \lambda^{T} \lambda - 2\lambda^{T}].$$
 (D14)

These choices of C_i and D_i satisfy all the above-mentioned conditions in the isomorphism Φ_{λ} for $(x - 1 + x_2) \in D$,

$$\Phi_{\varepsilon}(x_1 + x_2) = \{x_1 + (1 - \lambda\lambda^T)^{-1}[1 + \lambda\lambda^T - 2\lambda]x_2, x_1 - (1 - \lambda^T\lambda)^{-1}[1 + \lambda^T\lambda - 2\lambda^T]x_2\}, \quad (D15)$$

which respecting consistency also boils down to the case considered in [7] for when λ is simply a number,

$$\Phi_{\epsilon}(x_1 + x_2) = \left\{ x_1 + \frac{1 - \lambda}{1 + \lambda} x_2, x_1 - \frac{1 - \lambda}{1 + \lambda} x_2 \right\},$$

where $\frac{1 - \lambda}{1 + \lambda} = \epsilon.$ (D16)

As a check on the procedure, we can look at the conditions in (D13) for C_i and D_i when written in terms of A_i and B_i and the assumed values

$$C_{1}^{T}C_{1} - D_{1}^{T}D_{1} = 1 - 1 = 0,$$

$$C_{2} - D_{2} = C_{2}^{T} - D_{2}^{T} = (1 - \lambda\lambda^{T})^{-1} + (\lambda^{-T}\lambda^{-1} - 1)^{-1} - 2(\lambda^{-1} - \lambda^{T})^{-1} + (1 - \lambda^{T}\lambda)^{-1} + (\lambda^{-1}\lambda^{-T} - 1)^{-1} - 2(\lambda^{-T} - \lambda)^{-1},$$

$$C_{2}^{T}C_{2} = D_{2}^{T}D_{2} = (A_{1}^{T} + A_{2}^{T})(A_{1} + A_{2}) = (B_{1}^{T} + B_{2}^{T})(B_{1} + B_{2}).$$
(D17)

The final condition above is satisfied only when we assume the constraints obtained on A_i and B_i in (D3) providing a good consistency check. To derive the generalized metric \mathcal{H}_{AB} , we look at the following relation where \mathcal{E}_{λ} -map is written as a matrix \mathcal{E}_{A}^{B} ,

$$\mathcal{E}_A{}^B = \mathcal{H}_{AC} \eta^{CB}. \tag{D18}$$

The matrix $\mathcal{E}_A{}^B$ is obtained by using the inner product $(\mathbb{T}_A, \mathbb{T}_B)_D = \eta_{AB}$, where the basis is formed by the diagonal and antidiagonal generators $x \to \frac{\{x,x\}}{\sqrt{2}}$ and $x \to \frac{\{x,-x\}}{\sqrt{2}}$, respectively, along with

$$\eta_{CB} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & \delta_c^{\ b} \\ \delta^c_{\ b} & 0 \end{pmatrix}. \tag{D19}$$

This results in the following generalized metric \mathcal{H}_{AB} where A_i and B_i are as defined earlier in (D4), (D5), and (D6):

$$\mathcal{H}_{AB} = \frac{1}{2} \begin{pmatrix} (A_1 - A_2 + B_1 - B_2)\kappa^{-1} & (A_1 + A_2 + B_1 + B_2)\kappa^{-1} \\ (A_1 - A_2 - B_1 + B_2)\kappa & (A_1 + A_2 - B_1 - B_2)\kappa \end{pmatrix}.$$
(D20)

This generalized metric is acted on by the generalized frame fields $E_A{}^I$ (3.15) to obtain the coordinate dependent generalized metric $\hat{\mathcal{H}}_{\hat{j}\hat{j}}$. The information of the embedded theory is further read off from this metric $\hat{\mathcal{H}}_{\hat{j}\hat{j}}$,

$$\hat{\mathcal{H}}^{IJ} = (E_A^{\ \hat{I}})^T \mathcal{H}^{AB} E_B^{\ \hat{J}}.$$
 (D21)

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