

# On M5 Branes

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Hee-Cheol Kim, Seok Kim, Sung-Soo Kim, KM [[arXiv:1307.7660](#)] The general M5-brane superconformal Index

Hee-Cheol Kim, KM [[arXiv:1210.0853](#)] M5 brane theories on  $\mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{C}P^2$

Hee-Cheol Kim, Seok Kim, Eunkyung Ko, KM [[arXiv:1110.2175](#)] On instantons as KK modes of M5 branes

Stefano Bolognesi, KM [[arXiv:1105.5073](#)] 1/4 BPS string junctions and N3 problem in 6-dim conformal field theories

# 6d (2,0) Superconformal Theories

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- \* A, D, E type: type IIB on  $R^{1+5} \times C^2/\Gamma_{ADE}$ 
  - \*  $A_{N-1}, D_N$  type on  $N$  M5 branes,  $N$  M5 (+OM5)
- \* superconformal symmetry:  $OSp(2,6|2) \supset O(2,8) \times USp(4)_R$
- \* fields:  $B, \Phi_I (I=1,2,3,4,5), \Psi$  : 3 + 5 + 8 d.o.f.
  - \* selfdual strength  $H=dB=*H$ , purely quantum  $\hbar=1$
  - \* Weyl and symplectic-Majorana  $\Psi$
- \* Nonabelian formulation?
  - \* Sorokin, Chu, Ho, Lambert, Papageorgakis, Samtleben et.al, ....
  - \* Their 4d-reduction implies a local nonabelian field theory which has both electric and magnetic objects.
- \*  $N^3$  degrees of freedom

# Outline

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- \* Goal: Calculate Something Concrete!
- \* 5d Approach:  $R^{1+4}$ 
  - \* instantons
  - \* 1/4 BPS webs
  - \* index function of dyonic instantons
  - \* DLCQ
- \* 6d approach:  $R \times S^5$ 
  - \* Twisting
  - \*  $Z_K$ -moding
- \* 5d approach:  $R \times CP^2$ 
  - \* Minkowski and Euclidean Lagrangian
  - \* Index function
- \* Conclusion

# 5-dim Approach

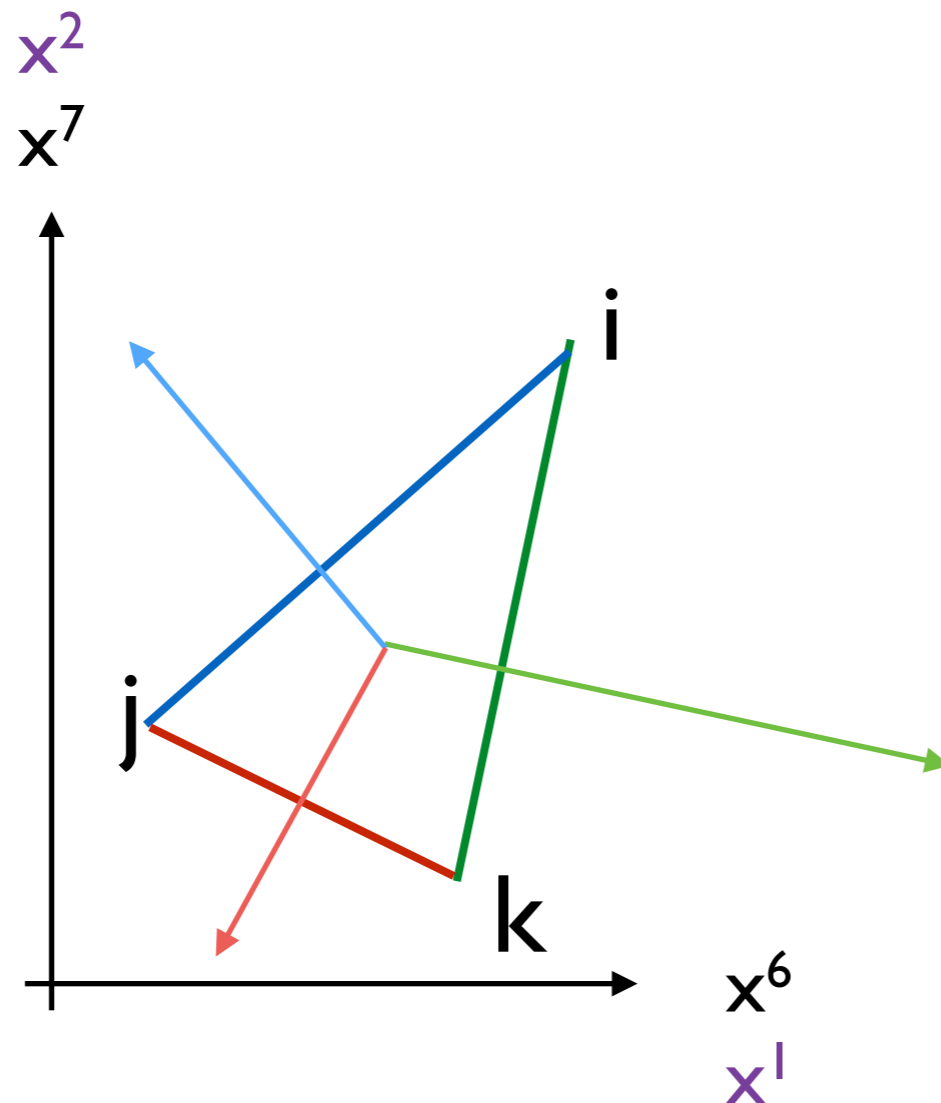
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- \* Douglas, Lambert-Papageorgakis-Schmidt-Sommerfeld
- \*  $x_5 \sim x_5 + 2\pi R$ , 5d N=2 U(N) YM Theory
- \* Instantons= Kaluza-Klein modes ,  $4\pi /g^2 = 1/R$ 
  - \* threshold bound states of k instantons for Kaluza-Klein momentum k
  - \* strong coupling limit is 6d (2,0) theory
- \* perturbative approach: problem at 6-loop (Bern et.al. 1210): **mysterious**
  - \* incomplete? (Need higher order operators to complete the theory?)

# 1/4 BPS String Junctions

- \* Monopole strings, self-dual strings in Higgs phase
- \* count 1/2 BPS & 1/4 BPS objects: structure constants:  $f^{ijk}$ ,  $f^{\alpha ah}$ ,  $f^{\alpha\beta\gamma}$

$$\frac{N(N-1)}{2} + \frac{N(N-1)(N-2)}{6} = \frac{N(N^2-1)}{6} = h_G d_G$$



# Dyonic Instantons in 5d N=2 SYM

\* Index for BPS states with k instantons

$$Q = Q_{\pm}^{\pm} \left. \begin{array}{l} SU(2)_{2R} \\ SU(2)_{1R} \end{array} \right\} \Rightarrow SU(2)_R$$

$$I_k(\mu^i, \gamma_1, \gamma_2, \gamma_3) = \text{Tr}_k \left[ (-1)^F e^{-\beta Q^2} e^{-\mu^i \Pi_i} e^{-i\gamma_1(2J_{1L}) - i\gamma_2(2J_{2L}) - i\gamma_R(2J_R)} \right]$$

adjoint hyper flavor

▸  $\mu_i$  : chemical potential for  $U(1)^N \subset U(N)_{\text{color}}$

▸  $\gamma_L, \gamma_2, \gamma_R$  : chemical potential for  $SU(2)_{1L}, SU(2)_{2L}, SU(2)_R$

\* calculate the index by the localization:

$$I(q, \mu^i, \gamma_{1,2,3}) = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} q^k I_k$$

\* 5d  $N=2^*$  instanton partition function on  $R^4 \times S^1$ :  $t \sim t + \beta$

\* In  $\beta \rightarrow 0$  and small chemical potential limit, the index becomes 4d Nekrasov instanton partition function :

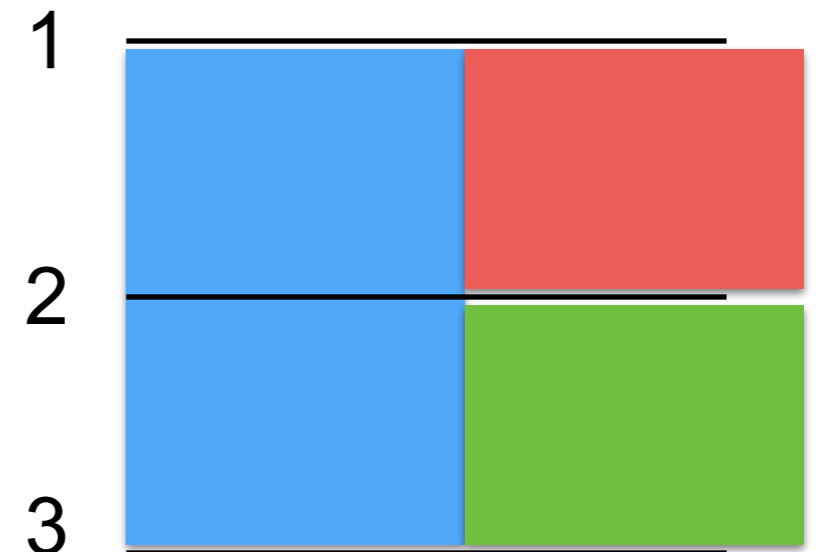
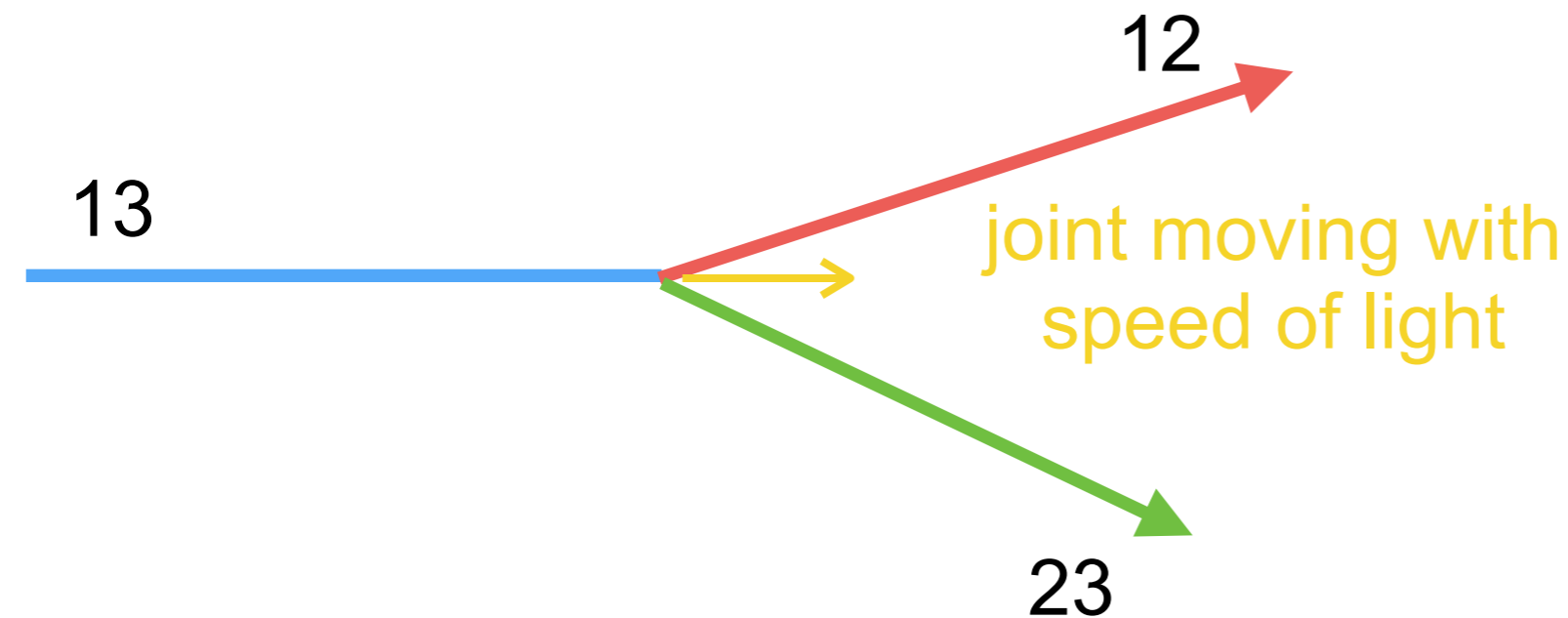
$$a_i = \frac{\mu_i}{2} \quad -\epsilon_1 = i \frac{\gamma_1 - \gamma_R}{2} \quad \epsilon_2 = i \frac{\gamma_1 + \gamma_R}{2}, \quad m = i \frac{\gamma_2}{2} \quad q = e^{2\pi i \tau}$$

Scalar Vev      Omega deformation parameter      Adj hypermultiplet mass      instanton fugacity

# Most striking aspect

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- \* Additional States appearing in dyonic instanton calculations
- \* Can be regarded as the degenerate limit of junctions
- \* There is a threshold bound states of W-boson for 13 and instantons on 2nd M5 branes



# High Temperature in Coulomb Phase

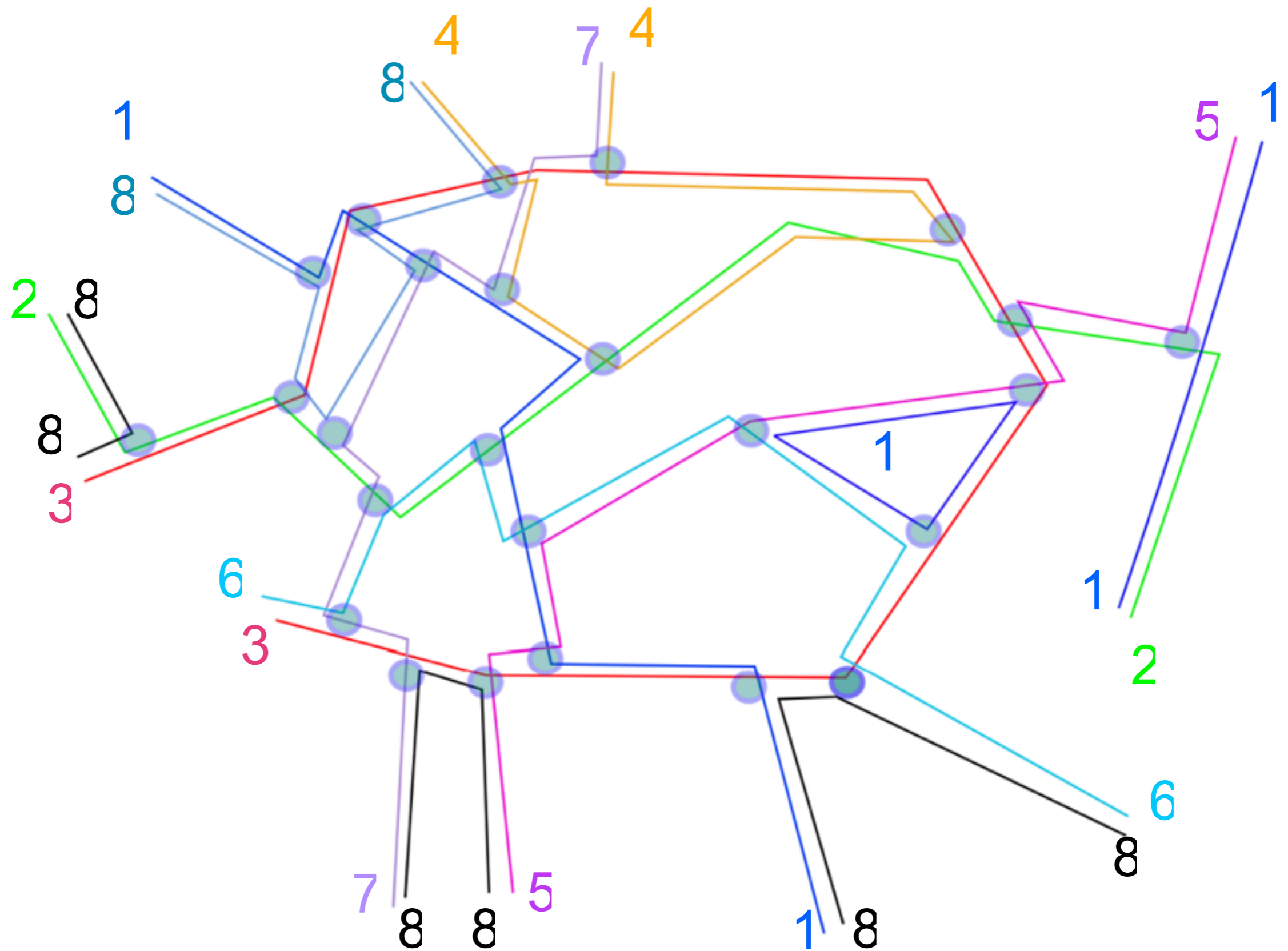
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- \* Micro-canonical
- \* Massless on  $N$  M5 branes:  $O(N)$
- \* Loops of self-dual strings excitations:  $O(N^2)$
- \* Beyond the Hagedorn temperature
- \* Webs of junctions and anti-junctions:  $O(N^3)$
- \* Higher order of junctions can be decomposed to elementary junctions
- \* Excitations of webs of tensionless strings with junctions act as atoms.
  - \*  $N^3$  degrees of freedom



# Nonzero Temperature in Symmetric Phase

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\* To get the index in symmetric phase, integrate over  $\mu_i = i a_i$  with Haar measure

\* DLCQ on null circle: Nonrelativistic superconformal symmetry

\*  $P$  on the null circle = instanton number

\* Superalgebra:  $2i\{Q, S\} = iD \mp (4J_{2R} + 2J_{1R}) \rightarrow iD \geq \pm(4J_{2R} + 2J_{1R})$

\* Nonrelativistic superconformal index

$$I_{SC} = \text{Tr} \left[ (-1)^F e^{-\beta\{\hat{Q}, \hat{S}\}} e^{-2i\gamma_R J_R} e^{-2i\gamma_1 J_{1L}} e^{-2i\gamma_2 J_{2L}} e^{-i\alpha_i \Pi_i} \right]$$

\* In the limit  $\beta \rightarrow 0$ , this superconformal index becomes the integration over the Coulomb phases of our index.

\* For single instanton with  $t = e^{-i\gamma_R}$

$$I_{k=1} = \frac{e^{i\gamma_2} + e^{-i\gamma_2} - e^{i\gamma_1} - e^{-i\gamma_1}}{(1 - te^{i\gamma_1})(1 - te^{-i\gamma_1})} \left[ t + \sum_{n=1}^{N-1} (e^{in\gamma_2} + e^{-in\gamma_2}) t^{n+1} - \chi_{\frac{N-2}{2}}(\gamma_2) t^{N+1} \right]$$

\* Large  $N$

$$I_{N \rightarrow \infty, k=1} = \frac{e^{i\gamma_2} + e^{-i\gamma_2} - e^{i\gamma_1} - e^{-i\gamma_1}}{(1 - te^{i\gamma_1})(1 - te^{-i\gamma_1})} \frac{t - t^3}{(1 - te^{i\gamma_2})(1 - te^{-i\gamma_2})}$$

AdS7 x S4 calculation confirm it.

# 6d (2,0) Theories

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- \* Difficulties with nonabelianization of the B field and its strength  $H=dB$
- \* Generalize ABJM to M5 brane theory
  - \* Mode out by  $R^8/Z_K$
  - \* Weak coupling limit
  - \* No fixed point
- \*  $R^{1+5}/Z_K$  has a fixed point
- \* Consider the 6d (2,0) theory on  $R \times S^5$ : The Radial Quantization
- \*  $S^5 =$  a circle fibration over  $CP^2$
- \*  $ds^2_{S^5} = ds^2_{CP^2} + (dy + V)^2, \quad dV = 2J, \quad J = -^*J, \quad y \sim y + 2\pi$
- \*  $AdS_7 \times S^4/Z_K$  (Tomasiello, 2013): 6d theory with D6 and  $\underline{D6}$  : still 6d theory with  $H = ^*H$

# Index Function on $S^1 \times S^5$

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\* Supercharge  $Q_{j_1, j_2, j_3}^{R_1, R_2} \Rightarrow Q = Q_{-\frac{1}{2}, -\frac{1}{2}, -\frac{1}{2}}^{\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}}, S = Q^\dagger$

\* BPS bound:

$$E = j_1 + j_2 + j_3 + 2(R_1 + R_2)$$

\* 6-dim index function:

$$I = \text{Tr} \left[ (-1)^F e^{-\beta' \{Q, S\}} e^{-\beta \left( E - \frac{R_1 + R_2}{2} - m(R_1 - R_2) + aj_1 + bj_2 + cj_3 \right)} \right], \quad a + b + c = 0$$

\* Euclidean Path Integral of (2,0) Theory on  $S^1 \times S^5$

\*  $S^5 = S^1$  fiber over  $CP^2$ :  $-i \partial_y = \text{KK modes}$

$$k \equiv j_1 + j_2 + j_3$$

\*  $Z_K$  modding keeps only  $k/K = \text{integer}$  modes

# 6d Abelian Theory (Fermion+ Scalar)

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- \* on  $R \times S^5$ , ..... (Could Include H=dB)

$$-\frac{i}{2}\bar{\lambda}\Gamma^M\hat{\nabla}_M\lambda - \frac{1}{2}\partial_M\phi_I\partial^M\phi_I - \frac{2}{r^2}\phi_I\phi_I$$

- \* gamma matrices  $\Gamma^M, \rho^a$
- \* Symplectic Majorana  $\lambda = -BC\lambda^*, \epsilon = BC\epsilon^*$
- \* Weyl:  $\Gamma^7\lambda = \lambda, \Gamma^7\epsilon = -\epsilon$

- \* 32 supersymmetry

$$\begin{aligned}\delta\phi_I &= -\bar{\lambda}\rho_I\epsilon = +\bar{\epsilon}\rho_I\lambda, \\ \delta\lambda &= +\frac{i}{6}H_{MNP}\Gamma^{MNP}\epsilon + i\partial_M\phi_I\Gamma^M\rho_I\epsilon - 2\phi_I\rho_I\tilde{\epsilon}, \\ \delta\bar{\lambda} &= -\frac{i}{6}H_{MNP}\bar{\epsilon}\Gamma^{MNP} + i\partial_M\phi_I\bar{\epsilon}\Gamma^M\rho_I - 2\bar{\epsilon}\rho_I\phi_I.\end{aligned}$$

- \* additional condition on Killing spinor:

$$\hat{\nabla}_M\epsilon = \frac{i}{2r}\Gamma_M\tilde{\epsilon}, \quad \Gamma^M\hat{\nabla}_M\tilde{\epsilon} = 2i\epsilon, \quad \tilde{\epsilon} = \pm\Gamma_0\epsilon.$$

# Twisting & Dimensional Reduction to $\mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{C}P^2$

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Killing spinor eq  $\nabla_M \epsilon_{\pm} = \pm \frac{1}{2r} \Gamma_M \Gamma_{\tau} \epsilon_{\pm}$

- \* Killing spinors:  $SO(1,5)=SU(2,2)$  chiral spinor and 4-dim of  $Sp(2)=SO(5)_{\mathbb{R}}$
- \* 32 Killing spinors = 3x8 (SU(3) triplet) +1x 8 (SU(3) singlet) under SU(3) isometry of  $\mathbb{C}P^2$ :
  - \* (I)  $\epsilon_+ \sim \exp(-it/2 + 3iy/2) \dots$  : singlet
  - \* (II)  $\epsilon_+ \sim \exp(-it/2 - iy/2) \dots$  : triplet
- \* Twisting

$$\epsilon_{old} = e^{-\frac{y}{4} M_{IJ} \rho_{IJ}} \epsilon_{new},$$

$$\lambda_{old} = e^{-\frac{y}{4} M_{IJ} \rho_{IJ}} \lambda_{new},$$

$$(\phi_1 + i\phi_2)_{old} = e^{+(3+p)iy/2} (\phi_1 + \phi_2)_{new}$$

$$(\phi_4 + i\phi_5)_{old} = e^{+(3-p)iy/2} (\phi_4 + i\phi_5)_{new}.$$

$$M_{12} = -M_{21} = \frac{3+p}{2}, \quad M_{45} = -M_{54} = \frac{3-p}{2}$$

$$p = \dots, -5, -3, -1, 1, 3, 5, \dots$$

$$\partial_y \rightarrow \partial_y + \frac{3i}{2}(R_1 + R_2) + \frac{ip}{2}(R_1 - R_2)$$

$$k \equiv j_1 + j_2 + j_3 + \frac{3}{2}(R_1 + R_2) + \frac{p}{2}(R_1 - R_2), \quad p = \text{odd integer}$$

Singlets  $\epsilon_+, \epsilon_-$  for  $Q = Q_{--}, S = Q_{+++}$

# 5d Lagrangian

$$Q = Q_{--}^{++}, S = Q_{++}^{--}$$

- \* Lagrangian on  $R \times CP^2$  with 2 supersymmetries for any  $p$ :

$$\begin{aligned}
 S = & \frac{K}{4\pi^2} \int_{R \times CP^2} d^5x \sqrt{|g|} \text{tr} \left[ -\frac{1}{4} F_{\mu\nu} F^{\mu\nu} + \frac{1}{2\sqrt{|g|}} \epsilon^{\mu\nu\rho\sigma\eta} J_{\mu\nu} \left( A_\rho \partial_\sigma A_\eta - \frac{2i}{3} A_\rho A_\sigma A_\eta \right) \right. \\
 & -\frac{1}{2} D_\mu \phi_I D^\mu \phi_I + \frac{1}{4} [\phi_I, \phi_J]^2 - 2\phi_I^2 - \frac{1}{2} (M_{IJ} \phi_J)^2 - i(3-p)[\phi_1, \phi_2]\phi_3 - i(3+p)[\phi_4, \phi_5]\phi_3 \\
 & \left. -\frac{i}{2} \bar{\lambda} \gamma^\mu D_\mu \lambda - \frac{i}{2} \bar{\lambda} \rho_I [\phi_I, \lambda] - \frac{1}{8} \bar{\lambda} \gamma^{mn} \lambda J_{mn} + \frac{1}{8} \bar{\lambda} M_{IJ} \rho_{IJ} \lambda \right], \quad (2.27)
 \end{aligned}$$

- \* Supersymmetry Transformation

$$\begin{aligned}
 \delta A_\mu &= +i\bar{\lambda} \gamma_\mu \epsilon = -i\bar{\epsilon} \gamma_\mu \lambda, \quad \delta \phi_I = -\bar{\lambda} \rho_I \epsilon = \bar{\epsilon} \rho_I \lambda, \\
 \delta \lambda &= +\frac{1}{2} F_{\mu\nu} \gamma^{\mu\nu} \epsilon + iD_\mu \phi_I \rho_I \gamma^\mu \epsilon - \frac{i}{2} [\phi_I, \phi_J] \rho_{IJ} \epsilon - 2\phi_I \rho_I \bar{\epsilon} - M_{IJ} \phi_I \rho_J \epsilon.
 \end{aligned}$$

- \*  $p/2 = -1/2$  :  $k = j_1 + j_2 + j_3 + R_1 + 2R_2$

- \* additional supersymmetries: Total 8 supersymmetries

$$Q_{-++}^{+-}, Q_{+-+}^{+-}, Q_{++-}^{+-} \quad \text{conjugates}$$

# Coupling Constant Quantization

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- \* Instanton number on CP<sup>2</sup>

$$\nu = \frac{1}{8\pi^2} \int_{\text{CP}^2} \text{Tr}(F \wedge F) = \frac{1}{16\pi^2} \int_{\text{CP}^2} d^4x \sqrt{|g|} \text{Tr} F_{\mu\nu} \tilde{F}^{\mu\nu}.$$

- \* Instantons represents the momentum K or energy K:

$$\frac{1}{g_{YM}^2} = \frac{K}{4\pi^2 r}$$

- \* Another approach to quantization: **F=2J**: 2π flux on a cycle, 1/2 instanton for abelian theory

$$\frac{K}{4\pi^2} \int_{\mathbb{R} \times \text{CP}^2} d^5x \frac{1}{2} \epsilon^{\mu\nu\rho\sigma\eta} J_{\mu\nu} \partial_\rho A_\sigma A_\eta \Rightarrow K \int dt A_0$$

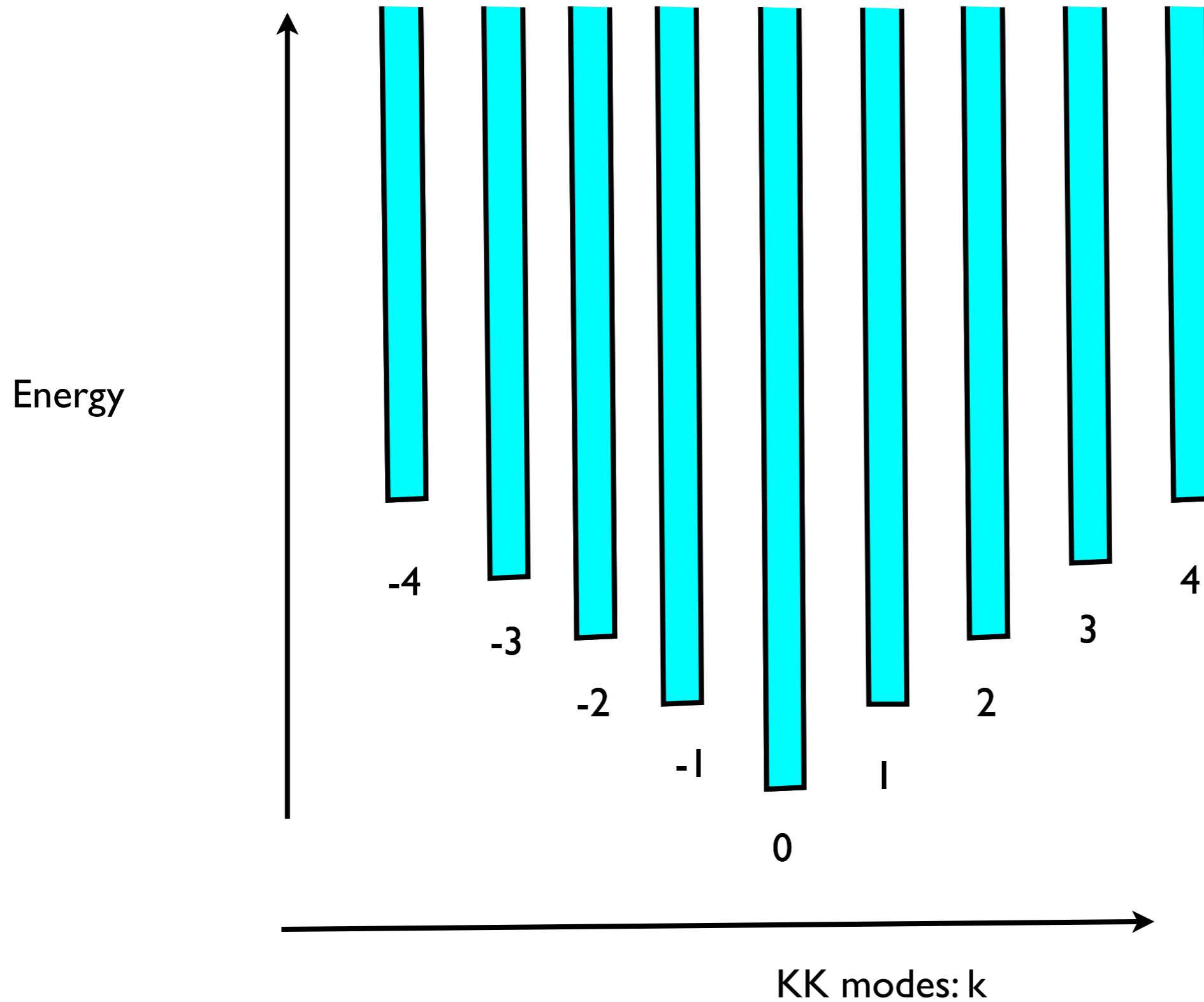
- \* 't Hooft coupling constant: **λ = N/K**

- \* Large K => Free Theory



# Diluting degrees of freedom with $Z_K$ modding+ Twisting

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# Expected Enhanced Supersymmetries

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\* Killing spinors with  $p/2=-1/2$ ,  $k = j_1+j_2+j_3+ R_1+ 2R_2$

\*  $k=0$ : 8 kinds

\*  $k= \pm 1$ : 14 kinds

\*  $k= \pm 2$ : 8 kinds

\*  $k= \pm 3$ : 2 kinds

\* # of supersymmetries

\*  $K \cong 4$ : 8 supersymmetries

\*  $K=3$ : 10 supersymmetries

\*  $K=2$ : 16 supersymmetries

\*  $K=1$ : 32 supersymmetries

# the index function on $S^1 \times S^5$

- \* 5d SYM on  $S^5$  Hee-Cheol Kim, Seok Kim: [1206.6339](#); Hee-Cheol Kim, Joonho Kim, S.K. [1211.0144](#), Minahan-Nedelin-Zabzine, [1207.3763](#)

- \* S-dual version of the index

\* Vacuum energy:

$$(\epsilon_0)_{index} = \lim_{\beta' \rightarrow 0} \text{Tr} \left[ (-1)^F \frac{E - R}{2} e^{-\beta'(E - R_1)} \right]$$

$$= \frac{N(N^2 - 1)}{6} + \frac{N}{24}$$

- \*  $S^1 \times CP^2$  path integral off-shell

- \* Stationary phase:  $D^1=D^2=0$ ,  $F=2sJ$ ,  $\varphi + D^3=4s$ ,  $s = \text{diag}(s_1, s_2, \dots, s_N)$

- \* analogous to 3-dim Monopole operator

- \* Path Integral: Off-shell, localization (K=1 case\_

$$\sum_{s_1, s_2, \dots, s_N = -\infty}^{\infty} \frac{1}{|W_s|} \oint \left[ \frac{d\lambda_i}{2\pi} \right] e^{\frac{\beta}{2} \sum_{i=1}^N s_i^2 - i \sum_i s_i \lambda_i} Z_{\text{pert}}^{(1)} Z_{\text{inst}}^{(1)} \cdot Z_{\text{pert}}^{(2)} Z_{\text{inst}}^{(2)} \cdot Z_{\text{pert}}^{(3)} Z_{\text{inst}}^{(3)} \cdot$$

- \* For K=1, well-confirmed for  $k \leq N$  with  $N=1,2,3$  with the AdS/CFT calculation

# Strange Vacua

- \*  $K=1, F=2sJ$  background

$$U(2) (1, -1)$$

$$U(3) (2, 0, -2), (2, -1, -1), (1, 1, -2), (1, 0, -1)$$

$$U(4) (3, 1, -1, -3), (3, 1, -2, -2), (2, 2, -1, -3), (3, 0, -1, -2), \\ (2, 1, 0, -3), (2, 0, 0, -2), (2, 0, -1, -1), (1, 1, 0, -2), (1, 0, 0, -1)$$

- \* the Lowest one  $s_G = 2\rho \cdot H$  with negative energy  $-2\rho^2$ , where  $\rho =$  Weyl vector
- \* Ground State for Index:  $K \leq N$  ( Strong 't Hooft coupling  $\lambda=N/K$ )

$K$	$U(2)$	$U(3)$	$U(4)$	$U(5)$	$U(6)$	$U(7)$	$U(8)$	$U(9)$	$U(N)$
1	-1	-4	-10	-20	-35	-56	-84	-120	$-\frac{N(N^2-1)}{6}$
2	0	-1	-2	-5	-8	-14	-20	-30	
3		0	-1	-2	-3	-6	-9	-12	
4			0	-1	-2	-3	-4	-7	
5				0	-1	-2	-3	-4	
6					0	-1	-2	-3	
7						0	-1	-2	
8							0	-1	
9								0	

Table 1: Vacuum energies divided by  $K$ , at general  $\mathbb{Z}_K$  (and fluxes)

# Check with AdS/CFT

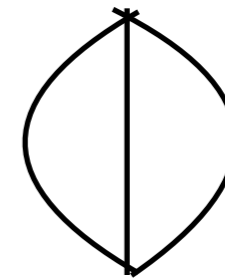
- E.g.  $k = N = 3$ : (all results multiplied by vacuum energy factor &  $e^{-3\beta}$ )  $y_i = e^{-\beta a_i}$ ,  $y = e^{\beta(m - \frac{1}{2})}$

$$\begin{aligned}
 Z_{(2,0,-2)} &= 3 \left[ y^2(y_1 + y_2 + y_3) + y(y_1^2 + y_2^2 + y_3^2) + y^{-1}(y_1 + y_2 + y_3) - \left(1 + \frac{y_1}{y_2} + \frac{y_2}{y_1} + \dots\right) + y^3 \right] \\
 &\quad + 6y \left[ y(y_1 + y_2 + y_3) - (y_1^{-1} + y_2^{-1} + y_3^{-1}) + y^{-1} + y^2 \right] + y^3 \\
 Z_{(2,-1,-1)} + Z_{(1,1,-2)} &= -2y \left[ y(y_1 + y_2 + y_3) - (y_1^{-1} + y_2^{-1} + y_3^{-1}) + y^{-1} + y^2 \right] \\
 &\quad - 2y \left[ y(y_1 + y_2 + y_3) - (y_1^{-1} + y_2^{-1} + y_3^{-1}) + y^{-1} + y^2 \right] \\
 &\quad - 4y^3 - 4y^2(y_1 + y_2 + y_3) - 2y \left( y_1^2 + y_2^2 + y_3^2 - \frac{1}{y_1} - \frac{1}{y_2} - \frac{1}{y_3} \right) + 2 \left( \frac{y_1}{y_2} + \frac{y_2}{y_1} + \dots \right) - 2y^{-1}(y_1 + y_2 + y_3) \\
 Z_{(1,0,-1)} &= y^3 + y^2(y_1 + y_2 + y_3) - y(y_1^{-1} + y_2^{-1} + y_3^{-1}) + 1 \\
 Z_{SUGRA} &= 3y^3 + 2y^2(y_1 + y_2 + y_3) + y \left( y_1^2 + y_2^2 + y_3^2 - \frac{1}{y_1} - \frac{1}{y_2} - \frac{1}{y_3} \right) - \left( \frac{y_1}{y_2} + \frac{y_2}{y_1} + \dots \right) + y^{-1}(y_1 + y_2 + y_3)
 \end{aligned}$$

} add all

- \* Non-zero flux states contributing to the index
- \*  $s=(N-1, N-3, \dots, -(N-1)) = s_0$  : SU(N) Weyl vector
- \* index vacuum energy:

$$E_0 = -\frac{N(N^2 - 1)}{6}$$



$f^{abc} f^{abc}$

Kim & Kim: 2-loop effect on  $S^5$  SYM

# SU(2) Case

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- \* BPS Eq. for Homogeneous Configuration with instanton number  $n^2$

$$A = V \text{diag}(n, -n), \quad F = 2J \text{diag}(n, -n),$$

- \* homogeneous bosonic solutions possible only with  $n=+1,-1$
- \* but gauss law is violated
- \* for one of the constant bps solutions, the homogeneous fermionic zero mode is possible.
- \* gauss law can be satisfied with fermionic contribution for  $K=1$  but not for  $K>1$ .
- \* energetic is more complicated to due to zero-point contribution to the classical one,...

# Conclusion

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- \* New 5d supersymmetric theories for M5 are found with discrete coupling constant and a weak coupling limit
- \* Index Function of 6d  $A_N(2,0)$  is partially obtained.
- \* highly nontrivial vacuum structure in the strong coupled regime
- \* UV finite? How rigid is the theory with eight supersymmetries.
- \* Enhanced supersymmetry to  $K=1,2,3$ ?
- \* Wilson-loop can be easily included.
- \* Near BPS objects? perturbative approach?
- \* Rastelli et.al on conformal bootstrap
- \* 6-dim  $(1,0)$  theories