

# Unifying Lattice Models, Links and Quantum Geometric Langlands via Branes in String Theory

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# Introduction/Motivation

- 4d Chern-Simons theory has the action\*

$$S = \frac{1}{\hbar} \int_{Y \times \Sigma} C \wedge \text{Tr} \left( \mathcal{A} \wedge d\mathcal{A} + \frac{2}{3} \mathcal{A} \wedge \mathcal{A} \wedge \mathcal{A} \right), \quad (1.1)$$

where  $\mathcal{A}$  is a complex-valued gauge field,  $Y$  is a framed 2-manifold, and  $\Sigma$  is  $\mathbb{C}$ ,  $\mathbb{C}^\times$  or  $\mathbb{C}/(\mathbb{Z} + \tau\mathbb{Z})$  endowed with a meromorphic one-form  $C = C(z)dz$  (with no zeros).

- Within the realm of **perturbation theory**, this gauge theory is well-defined, and realizes the **Yang-Baxter equation** with spectral parameter.

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\*. K. Costello, *Supersymmetric gauge theory and the Yangian*, arXiv:1303.2632  
 K. Costello, E. Witten, M. Yamazaki, *Gauge Theory and Integrability, I, II*, arXiv:1709.09993, 1802.01579

- Outside of perturbation theory, 4d CS is not well-understood - path integral is **exponentially divergent**.
- Suggestion<sup>†</sup> - **Nonperturbative definition** comes from the **D4-NS5 system** of string theory, similar to how the D3-NS5 system realizes the nonperturbative 3d analytically-continued Chern-Simons theory.<sup>‡</sup>
- Such a string realization could also allow us to relate 4d CS to 3d CS via T-duality, as well as to the geometric Langlands correspondence and Gaiatsgory-Lurie conjecture via S-duality.
- This would furnish a **novel bridge** between the mathematics of integrable systems, geometric topology, geometric representation theory, and quantum algebras.

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<sup>†</sup>. E. Witten, *Integrable Lattice Models From Gauge Theory*, arXiv:1611.00592

<sup>‡</sup>. E. Witten, *Fivebranes and Knots*, *Quantum Topology* **3** (1) (2012) 1–137

This talk is based on

- M. Ashwinkumar, M.-C. Tan, *Unifying Lattice Models, Links and Quantum Geometric Langlands via Branes in String Theory*, arXiv:1910.01134

# Summary of results

	$\tilde{V}$			$\Sigma$		$N\tilde{V} \subset T^*\tilde{V}$				
	$Y$	$\mathbb{R}$								
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
<b>D4</b>	×	×	×	×	×					
<b>NS5</b>	×	×		×	×	×	×			

- We begin with this brane configuration in type IIA string theory, where we have a stack of  $N$  D4-branes.
- Here, the D4-brane worldvolume is  $Y \times \mathbb{R}_+ \times \Sigma$ , with boundary conditions determined by an NS5-brane.

- Moreover, the worldvolume theory is partially twisted along  $Y \times \mathbb{R}_+$ .
- This twisting gives us 4 supercharges that are scalar along  $V$ . We take a linear combination of 2 of them, denoted  $Q = \kappa Q + \lambda Q'$  (for  $\kappa, \lambda \in \mathbb{C}$ ), to define our theory.

- We have a  $Q$ -invariant action

$$S = \{Q, \tilde{V}\} + \frac{w - \bar{w}}{4} \frac{i\tilde{\Psi}}{2\pi} \int_{\partial M} dz_w \wedge \text{Tr} \left( \mathcal{A}_w \wedge d\mathcal{A}_w + \frac{2}{3} \mathcal{A}_w \wedge \mathcal{A}_w \wedge \mathcal{A}_w \right), \quad (2.1)$$

that is  $Q$ -exact up to a 4d Chern-Simons action, where  $\tilde{\Psi}$  and  $w$  are variable parameters depending on  $(g_5, \kappa, \lambda)$  and  $(\kappa, \lambda)$ , respectively.

- This action can be written as that of a 1d gauged A-model, with target space the space of all possible  $\mathcal{A}_w$  fields, and the 4d Chern-Simons action as superpotential.



- This 1d A-model was shown by Witten<sup>§</sup> to reduce exactly to a path integral over the boundary action, with integration cycle,  $\tilde{\Gamma}$ , determined by localization equations.
- In other words, we end up (after a change of variables) with

$$\int_{\tilde{\Gamma}} D\mathcal{A} \exp\left(\frac{\tilde{\Psi}\text{Im}(w)}{4\pi} \int_{\partial M} dz \wedge \text{Tr} \left( \mathcal{A} \wedge d\mathcal{A} + \frac{2}{3} \mathcal{A} \wedge \mathcal{A} \wedge \mathcal{A} \right)\right), \quad (2.2)$$

which for  $\frac{\tilde{\Psi}\text{Im}(w)}{2} = \frac{i}{\hbar}$ , is the path integral for 4d Chern-Simons theory.

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§. A New Look at the Path Integral of Quantum Mechanics, arXiv:1009.6032

- The  $Q$ -invariant localization equations can be written as a **gradient flow equation** associated with the 1d model, i.e.,

$$\frac{dx^i}{d\tau} = -g^{i\bar{j}} \frac{\partial \bar{W}}{\partial x^{\bar{j}}} \quad (2.3)$$

for

$$W \sim i \int_{Y \times \Sigma} dz \wedge \text{Tr} \left( \mathcal{A} \wedge d\mathcal{A} + \frac{2}{3} \mathcal{A} \wedge \mathcal{A} \wedge \mathcal{A} \right), \quad (2.4)$$

where  $x^i$  is a coordinate in target space, and  $g_{i\bar{j}}$  is its metric.

- Such a gradient flow equation defines an integration cycle  $\tilde{\Gamma}$  for the path integral over (2.2) that ensures its **convergence** because the real part of the action is fixed along the cycle. That is, the path integral for 4d Chern-Simons theory is convergent **for all**  $\hbar$ .

- The D4-NS5 system we have used is T-dual to Witten's D3-NS5 system that realizes 3d analytically-continued Chern-Simons theory.
- This holds at the level of gauge theory as well, due to scale-invariance of the 5d topological-holomorphic theory along  $\Sigma$ , if we choose  $\Sigma = \mathbb{R} \times S^1$ .

- The lattice in 4d Chern-Simons theory is furnished by Wilson lines realized by the ends of fundamental strings. Therefore, the partition function of the lattice model is equivalent to link invariants of analytically-continued 3d Chern-Simons theory.
- Replacing  $\mathbb{R}_+$  with an interval  $I$  that ends on appropriate branes and further shrinking  $Y = C$ , we obtain a 2d A-model on  $\mathbb{R} \times I$  with target Hitchin's moduli space,  $\mathcal{M}_H(G, C)$ .
- Under IIB S-duality, the effective 2d A-model with  $\mathcal{M}_H(G, C)$  as target space is dualized to another A-model, with target  $\mathcal{M}_H({}^L G, C)$ , i.e., Hitchin's moduli space for the dual gauge group  ${}^L G$ .
- We are thus able to relate integrable lattice models, link invariants in analytically-continued 3d CS theory, and the **quantum geometric Langlands correspondence** that maps twisted D-modules to twisted D-modules.

- In fact, due to the presence of the lattice of Wilson lines, we have a **generalized version of the quantum geometric Langlands correspondence**, whereby twisted D-modules involve representations of **quantum groups**.
- An additional consequence of type IIB S-duality will turn out to be S-duality of 3d analytically-continued Chern-Simons theory.
- We also discuss how the **Gaiitsgory-Lurie conjecture** (that relates representations of  $U_q(G)$  to Whittaker D-modules on the affine Grassmannian of  ${}^L G$ ) and its vertex algebra incarnation are realized in our setup.
- Finally, we speculate on how this could lead to the realization of the quantum  $q$ -Langlands correspondence via string dualities.

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 \mathrm{KL}_{\Psi}(G)/\widehat{\mathfrak{g}}_{\Psi-h\nu}\text{-mod}_{\mathbb{C}}^0 & \xrightarrow{S'} & \mathrm{Whit}_{\frac{1}{\Psi}}({}^L G)/\mathcal{W}_{\frac{1}{\Psi}}({}^L \mathfrak{g})\text{-mod}_{\mathbb{C}}^0 \\
 \uparrow \mathcal{T}^{-1} & & \uparrow S' \mathcal{T} S'^{-1} \\
 4\mathrm{d} \mathrm{CS}_{\tilde{\Psi}}(G_{\mathbb{C}}) & \xrightarrow{\mathcal{T}\mathcal{T}} 3\mathrm{d} \mathrm{CS}_{\Psi+1}(G_{\mathbb{C}}) & \xrightarrow{S'} 3\mathrm{d} \mathrm{CS}_{\frac{1}{\Psi+1}}({}^L G_{\mathbb{C}}) \\
 \downarrow C \rightarrow 0 & & \downarrow C \rightarrow 0 \\
 D\text{-mod}_{\Psi+1}^{U_{q'}(G_{\rho^i}), \rho^i}(\mathcal{M}(G, C)) & \xrightarrow{S'} & D\text{-mod}_{\frac{1}{\Psi+1}}^{U_{q'}({}^L G_{L\rho^i}), L\rho^i}(\mathcal{M}({}^L G, C))
 \end{array}$$

A relationship between 4d Chern-Simons theory, 3d S-dual Chern-Simons theories, the quantum group modification of quantum geometric Langlands, and the Gaiitsgory-Lurie conjecture. Here,  $q' = \exp(\frac{\pi i}{\Psi+1})$ .

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# Now to explain our results

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## 4d Chern-Simons theory from partial twist of D4-NS5 system



## D4-brane worldvolume theory with NS5 boundary conditions

The low energy worldvolume theory of  $N$  coincident D4-branes on a flat manifold,  $\mathcal{M}$ , involves fields which transform as reps. of  $SO_{\mathcal{M}}(5) \times SO_R(5)$ :

$$\begin{aligned} A_M &: (\mathbf{5}, \mathbf{1}) \\ \phi_{\widehat{M}} &: (\mathbf{1}, \mathbf{5}) \\ \rho_{A\widehat{A}} &: (\mathbf{4}, \mathbf{4}) \end{aligned} \tag{4.1}$$

with the classical action of 5d  $\mathcal{N} = 2$  SYM:

$$\begin{aligned} S = -\frac{1}{g_5^2} \int_{\mathcal{M}} d^5x \operatorname{Tr} & \left( \frac{1}{4} F_{MN} F^{MN} + \frac{1}{2} D_M \phi_{\widehat{M}} D^M \phi^{\widehat{M}} + \frac{1}{4} [\phi_{\widehat{M}}, \phi_{\widehat{N}}] [\phi^{\widehat{M}}, \phi^{\widehat{N}}] \right. \\ & \left. + i \rho^{A\widehat{A}} (\Gamma^M)_A{}^B D_M \rho_{B\widehat{A}} + \rho^{A\widehat{A}} (\Gamma^{\widehat{M}})_{\widehat{A}}{}^{\widehat{B}} [\phi_{\widehat{M}}, \rho_{A\widehat{B}}] \right). \end{aligned}$$

It is invariant under the SUSY transformations

$$\begin{aligned}
 \delta A_M &= 2\zeta^{A\hat{A}}(\Gamma_M)_A{}^B \rho_{B\hat{A}} \\
 \delta \phi^{\hat{M}} &= -i2\zeta^{A\hat{A}}(\Gamma^{\hat{M}})_{\hat{A}}{}^{\hat{B}} \rho_{A\hat{B}} \\
 \delta \rho_{A\hat{A}} &= (\Gamma^M)_A{}^B D_M \phi^{\hat{M}} (\Gamma_{\hat{M}})_{\hat{A}}{}^{\hat{B}} \zeta_{B\hat{B}} - \frac{i}{2} (\Gamma_{\hat{M}})_{\hat{A}}{}^{\hat{B}} (\Gamma_{\hat{N}})_{\hat{B}\hat{C}} [\phi^{\hat{M}}, \phi^{\hat{N}}] \zeta_{A\hat{C}} \\
 &\quad - \frac{i}{2} F^{MN} (\Gamma_{MN})_{AB} \zeta_{\hat{A}}^B.
 \end{aligned} \tag{4.2}$$

The stack of D4-branes shall be taken to end on an NS5-brane in the following type IIA brane configuration in flat Euclidean space

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
<b>D4</b>	×	×	×	×	×					
<b>NS5</b>	×	×		×	×	×	×			

where, e.g., an empty entry under '3' indicates that the brane is located at  $x^3 = 0$ . The scalar fields  $\{\hat{\phi}_1, \hat{\phi}_2, \hat{\phi}_3, \hat{\phi}_4, \hat{\phi}_5\}$  are understood to parametrize the  $\{6, 7, 8, 9, 10\}$  directions, respectively.

The NS5-brane provides **boundary conditions** for the D4-brane worldvolume theory.

## Partial twist

4d Chern-Simons theory on  $Y \times \Sigma$  is topological-holomorphic:

- It has **diffeomorphism invariance** along the 2-manifold denoted  $Y$ .
- It has **holomorphic dependence** on the Riemann surface,  $\Sigma$ .

We can obtain it from the D4-NS5 system, where it affords a **partial twist** along the D4 worldvolume that leads to a 4d theory with the above properties at its boundary intersection with the NS5 brane.

To this end, we shall take the D4 worldvolume to be  $\mathcal{M} = Y \times \mathbb{R}_+ \times \Sigma$ , whereby we wish to realize a topological twist of the D4-brane worldvolume theory along  $Y \times \mathbb{R}_+$ .

This amounts to redefining the  $SO_V(3)$  rotation group of  $V = Y \times \mathbb{R}_+$  to be the diagonal subgroup

$$SO_V(3)' \subset SO_V(3) \times SO_R(3),$$

where  $SO_R(3) \subset SO_R(5)$  rotates  $\{\hat{\phi}_1, \hat{\phi}_2, \hat{\phi}_3\}$ .

Specifically, we are studying the following type IIA configuration:

	$\tilde{V}$					$N\tilde{V} \subset T^*\tilde{V}$				
	$Y$		$\mathbb{R}$	$\Sigma$						
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
<b>D4</b>	×	×	×	×	×					
<b>NS5</b>	×	×		×	×	×	×			

The twist arises in this configuration because  $V \subset \tilde{V} = Y \times \mathbb{R}$ , where  $\tilde{V}$  is the zero section of the cotangent bundle  $T^*\tilde{V}$ , and 'coordinates' normal to  $\tilde{V}$  in  $T^*\tilde{V}$  must be components of one-forms, as we shall obtain via twisting. ¶

¶. M. Bershadsky, C. Vafa, V. Sadov, *D-branes and topological field theories*, *Nuclear Physics B* **463** (2-3) (1996) 420-434

Let us now compute the partial twist. Having performed the reductions  $SO_M(5) \rightarrow SO_V(3) \times SO_\Sigma(2)$  and  $SO_R(5) \rightarrow SO_R(3) \times SO_R(2)$ , we denote the relevant indices as

	$SO_V(3)$	$SO_R(3)$	$SO_\Sigma(2)$	$SO_R(2)$
Vector	$\alpha, \beta, \gamma, \dots$	$\hat{\alpha}, \hat{\beta}, \hat{\gamma}, \dots$	$m, n, p, \dots$	$\hat{m}, \hat{n}, \hat{p}, \dots$
Spinor	$\bar{\alpha}, \bar{\beta}, \bar{\gamma}, \dots$	$\hat{\bar{\alpha}}, \hat{\bar{\beta}}, \hat{\bar{\gamma}}, \dots$	$\bar{m}, \bar{n}, \bar{p}, \dots$	$\hat{\bar{m}}, \hat{\bar{n}}, \hat{\bar{p}}, \dots$

Partial twisting amounts to setting the hatted  $SO_R(3)$  indices to unhatted indices.

As a result, the scalar fields  $\{\phi_1, \phi_2, \phi_3\}$  now transform as the components  $\{\phi_1, \phi_2, \phi_3\}$  of a one-form on  $Y \times \mathbb{R}_+$ .

In addition, the spinor fields  $\rho_{A\hat{A}} = \rho_{\bar{\alpha}\bar{m}\hat{\alpha}\hat{m}}$  can be expanded after twisting as

$$\rho_{\bar{\alpha}\bar{m}\hat{\beta}\hat{m}} = \epsilon_{\bar{\alpha}\bar{\beta}}\eta_{\bar{m}\hat{m}} + (\sigma^\alpha)_{\bar{\alpha}\bar{\beta}}\psi_{\alpha\bar{m}\hat{m}}, \quad (4.3)$$

where  $\eta_{\bar{m}\hat{m}}$  and  $\psi_{\alpha\bar{m}\hat{m}}$  transform as **1** and **3** under  $SO_V(3)'$ .

Here we have used the antisymmetric matrix  $\epsilon_{\bar{\alpha}\bar{\beta}}$  and the symmetric matrix  $(\sigma^\alpha)_{\bar{\alpha}\bar{\gamma}} = (\sigma^\alpha)_{\bar{\alpha}}^{\bar{\beta}}\epsilon_{\bar{\beta}\bar{\gamma}}$ , where  $\epsilon$  is the Levi-Civita symbol and  $\sigma^\alpha$  are the Pauli matrices.

Likewise, we can expand the SUSY transformation parameters

$\zeta_{A\hat{A}} = \zeta_{\bar{\alpha}\bar{m}\hat{\alpha}\hat{m}}$  as

$$\zeta_{\bar{\alpha}\bar{m}\hat{\beta}\hat{m}} = \epsilon_{\bar{\alpha}\bar{\beta}}\zeta_{\bar{m}\hat{m}} + (\sigma^\alpha)_{\bar{\alpha}\bar{\beta}}\zeta_{\alpha\bar{m}\hat{m}}. \quad (4.4)$$



Substituting these expansions into the SUSY transformations, we can obtain the partially twisted SUSY transformations.

However, we wish to pick a supercharge,  $Q$ , **that is scalar along**  $V$ , w.r.t. which we shall eventually localize the theory.

We shall consider the transformations associated with only  $\zeta_{11}$  and  $\zeta_{21}$ , and take a linear combination of the corresponding supercharges to be  $Q$ .

This choice will eventually lead to localization equations that define an integration cycle for 4d Chern-Simons theory such that its **path integral is convergent**.

Let  $\zeta_{11} = \kappa$  and  $\zeta_{21} = \lambda$ , where  $\kappa, \lambda \in \mathbb{C}$ . The supercharge,  $\mathcal{Q}$ , generates the SUSY transformations

$$\delta A_\alpha = -2i\kappa\psi_{\alpha 22} + 2i\lambda\psi_{\alpha 12} \quad \delta\eta_{11} = i\kappa \left( F_{45} + [\phi_4, \phi_5] + D_\beta\phi^\beta \right)$$

$$\delta\phi_\alpha = 2\kappa\psi_{\alpha 22} + 2\lambda\psi_{\alpha 12} \quad \delta\eta_{12} = -i\lambda (D_4 - iD_5) (\phi_4 + i\phi_5)$$

$$\delta A_4 = 2i\kappa\eta_{12} + 2i\lambda\eta_{22} \quad \delta\eta_{21} = -i\lambda \left( F_{45} - [\phi_4, \phi_5] + D_\beta\phi^\beta \right)$$

$$\delta A_5 = -2\kappa\eta_{12} + 2\lambda\eta_{22} \quad \delta\eta_{22} = -i\kappa (D_4 + iD_5) (\phi_4 + i\phi_5)$$

$$\delta\phi_4 = 2\kappa\eta_{21} + 2\lambda\eta_{11} \quad \delta\psi_{\alpha 12} = \kappa \left( [\phi_\alpha, \phi_4 + i\phi_5] - iD_\alpha (\phi_4 + i\phi_5) \right)$$

$$\delta\phi_5 = 2i\kappa\eta_{21} + 2i\lambda\eta_{11} \quad \delta\psi_{\alpha 22} = \kappa \left( [\phi_\alpha, \phi_4 + i\phi_5] + iD_\alpha (\phi_4 + i\phi_5) \right)$$

$$\delta\psi_{\alpha 11} = \kappa\varepsilon_{\alpha\beta\gamma} \left( \frac{i}{2}F^{\beta\gamma} - \frac{i}{2}[\phi^\beta, \phi^\gamma] - D^\beta\phi^\gamma \right) + \lambda (F_{\alpha 4} - iF_{\alpha 5} + i(D_4 - iD_5)\phi_\alpha)$$

$$\delta\psi_{\alpha 21} = \kappa (-F_{\alpha 4} - iF_{\alpha 5} + i(D_4 + iD_5)\phi_\alpha) + \lambda\varepsilon_{\alpha\beta\gamma} \left( \frac{i}{2}F^{\beta\gamma} - \frac{i}{2}[\phi^\beta, \phi^\gamma] + D^\beta\phi^\gamma \right)$$

We perform the following convenient redefinitions:

$$\sigma = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \left( \phi_{\widehat{5}} - i\phi_{\widehat{4}} \right), \quad \bar{\sigma} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \left( \phi_{\widehat{5}} + i\phi_{\widehat{4}} \right), \quad (4.5)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \chi_{\alpha} &= \frac{(1-i)}{2^{5/4}} \psi_{\alpha 11} + \frac{(-1-i)}{2^{5/4}} \psi_{\alpha 21}, & \widetilde{\chi}_{\alpha} &= \frac{(-1-i)}{2^{5/4}} \psi_{\alpha 11} + \frac{(1-i)}{2^{5/4}} \psi_{\alpha 21} \\ \eta &= \frac{(1+i)}{2^{1/4}} \eta_{11} + \frac{(1-i)}{2^{1/4}} \eta_{21}, & \widetilde{\eta} &= \frac{(-1+i)}{2^{1/4}} \eta_{11} + \frac{(-1-i)}{2^{1/4}} \eta_{21} \\ \psi_{\alpha} &= \frac{(1+i)}{2^{3/4}} \psi_{\alpha 12} + \frac{(-1+i)}{2^{3/4}} \psi_{\alpha 22}, & \widetilde{\psi}_{\alpha} &= \frac{(-1+i)}{2^{3/4}} \psi_{\alpha 12} + \frac{(1+i)}{2^{3/4}} \psi_{\alpha 22} \\ \Upsilon &= \frac{(1-i)}{2^{3/4}} \eta_{12} + \frac{(1+i)}{2^{3/4}} \eta_{22}, & \widetilde{\Upsilon} &= \frac{(-1-i)}{2^{3/4}} \eta_{12} + \frac{(-1+i)}{2^{3/4}} \eta_{22}, \end{aligned} \quad (4.6)$$

$$u = \frac{1}{2^{1/4}} [(1+i)\kappa + (1-i)\lambda], \quad v = \frac{1}{2^{1/4}} [(-1+i)\kappa + (-1-i)\lambda]. \quad (4.7)$$

The supersymmetry transformations are then (upon rescaling  $\delta$ )

$$\begin{aligned}
 \delta_t A_\alpha &= i\psi_\alpha + it\tilde{\psi}_\alpha & \delta_t \eta &= t(F_{45} + D_\alpha \phi^\alpha) + [\bar{\sigma}, \sigma] \\
 \delta_t \phi_\alpha &= it\psi_\alpha - i\tilde{\psi}_\alpha & \delta_t \tilde{\eta} &= -(F_{45} + D_\alpha \phi^\alpha) + t[\bar{\sigma}, \sigma] \\
 \delta_t A_4 &= i\Upsilon + it\tilde{\Upsilon} & \delta_t \psi_\alpha &= D_\alpha \sigma + t[\phi_\alpha, \sigma] \\
 \delta_t A_5 &= it\Upsilon - i\tilde{\Upsilon} & \delta_t \tilde{\psi}_\alpha &= tD_\alpha \sigma - [\phi_\alpha, \sigma] \\
 \delta_t \sigma &= 0 & \delta_t \Upsilon &= D_4 \sigma + tD_5 \sigma \\
 \delta_t \bar{\sigma} &= i\eta + it\tilde{\eta} & \delta_t \tilde{\Upsilon} &= tD_4 \sigma - D_5 \sigma
 \end{aligned} \tag{4.8}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \delta_t \chi_\alpha &= \frac{1}{2} \left[ F_{\alpha 4} + D_5 \phi_\alpha + \frac{1}{2} \varepsilon_{\alpha\beta\gamma} (F^{\beta\gamma} - [\phi^\beta, \phi^\gamma]) \right] + \frac{1}{2} t \left[ F_{\alpha 5} - D_4 \phi_\alpha + \varepsilon_{\alpha\beta\gamma} D^\beta \phi^\gamma \right] \\
 \delta_t \tilde{\chi}_\alpha &= \frac{1}{2} t \left[ F_{\alpha 4} + D_5 \phi_\alpha - \frac{1}{2} \varepsilon_{\alpha\beta\gamma} (F^{\beta\gamma} - [\phi^\beta, \phi^\gamma]) \right] - \frac{1}{2} \left[ F_{\alpha 5} - D_4 \phi_\alpha - \varepsilon_{\alpha\beta\gamma} D^\beta \phi^\gamma \right]
 \end{aligned}$$

so we now have  $\mathcal{Q} = \mathcal{Q}_L + t\mathcal{Q}_R$ ,  $t = v/u$ . Henceforth, we write  $\delta\chi_\alpha = \mathcal{V}_\alpha(t)$  and  $\delta\tilde{\chi}_\alpha = t\tilde{\mathcal{V}}_\alpha(t)$ .

The transformations now take a form very similar to those of GL-twisted  $\mathcal{N} = 4$  SYM, as considered by Kapustin and Witten.

In fact, taking  $\Sigma = \mathbb{C}^\times$ , whereby the  $x^5$  direction is  $S^1$ , we can dimensionally reduce along the latter to obtain precisely the transformations of Kapustin and Witten via  $A_5 \rightarrow \phi_4$ ,  $\chi_\alpha \rightarrow \chi_{\alpha 4}^+$ ,  $\tilde{\chi}_\alpha \rightarrow \chi_{\alpha 4}^-$ ,  $\psi_4 \rightarrow \Upsilon$ ,  $\tilde{\psi}_4 \rightarrow \tilde{\Upsilon}$ .

To construct an action suitable for localization, we require that it is  $Q$ -exact up to some metric-independent term.

To this end we require that the rescaled supersymmetry variation

$$\delta_t = \delta_L + t\delta_R \quad (4.9)$$

is nilpotent up to gauge transformations. This is achieved by introducing auxiliary fields  $(H_\alpha, \tilde{H}_\alpha, P)$  that modify the SUSY variations to

$$\begin{aligned} \delta_t \chi_\alpha &= H_\alpha & \delta \tilde{\sigma} &= i\eta + it\tilde{\eta} \\ \delta_t \tilde{\chi}_\alpha &= \tilde{H}_\alpha & \delta \tilde{\eta} &= tP + [\tilde{\sigma}, \sigma] \\ \delta_t H_\alpha &= -i(1+t^2)[\sigma, \chi_\alpha] & \delta \tilde{\eta} &= -P + t[\tilde{\sigma}, \sigma] \\ \delta_t \tilde{H}_\alpha &= -i(1+t^2)[\sigma, \tilde{\chi}_\alpha] & \delta P &= -it[\sigma, \eta] + i[\sigma, \tilde{\eta}] \end{aligned} \quad (4.10)$$

We shall require that our action be invariant under the original transformations on-shell.

As a result, for any field  $\Phi$ , we have the SUSY algebra

$$\delta_t^2 \Phi = -i(1 + t^2) \mathcal{L}_\sigma(\Phi), \quad (4.11)$$

where  $\mathcal{L}_\sigma(\Phi)$  is the change in  $\Phi$  due to a gauge transformation generated by  $\sigma$ , to first order.

We shall define the  $Q$ -exact part of our action to be  $\delta_t \tilde{V}$ , where  $\tilde{V} = \tilde{V}_1 + \tilde{V}_2$ .

Here,

$$\tilde{V}_1 = \frac{2}{g_5^2} \int_{\mathcal{M}} d^5x \left( \frac{4}{1+t^2} \right) \text{Tr} \left( \chi_\alpha \left( \frac{1}{2} H^\alpha - \nu^\alpha \right) + \tilde{\chi} \left( \frac{1}{2} \tilde{H}^\alpha - t \tilde{\nu}^\alpha \right) \right),$$

while

$$\tilde{V}_2 = -\frac{1}{2t} (\delta_L - t \delta_R) \tilde{V}'_2$$

with

$$\tilde{V}'_2 = \frac{2}{g_5^2} \int_{\mathcal{M}} d^5x \text{Tr} \left( -\frac{1}{2} \eta \tilde{\eta} - i \bar{\sigma} (F_{45} + D_\alpha \phi^\alpha) \right).$$



The  $\mathcal{Q}$ -exact action, upon integrating out auxiliary fields, takes the form (suppressing fermions)

$$S_1 = \frac{1}{g_5^2} \int_{\mathcal{M}} d^5x \operatorname{Tr} \left( \frac{-4}{1+t^2} \left( \mathcal{V}^\alpha \mathcal{V}_\alpha + t^2 \tilde{\mathcal{V}}^\alpha \tilde{\mathcal{V}}_\alpha \right) - (F_{45} + D_\alpha \phi^\alpha)^2 \right. \\ \left. - 2D_m \bar{\sigma} D^m \sigma + [\bar{\sigma}, \sigma]^2 - 2[\phi_\alpha, \sigma][\phi^\alpha, \bar{\sigma}] + 2\partial_\alpha (\bar{\sigma} D^\alpha \sigma) + \dots \right).$$

The first line is just

$$- \frac{1}{g_5^2} \int_{\mathcal{M}} d^5x \operatorname{Tr} \left( F_{\alpha m} F^{\alpha m} + F_{45} F^{45} + \frac{1}{2} F_{\alpha\beta} F^{\alpha\beta} + D_m \phi_\alpha D^m \phi^\alpha + D_\alpha \phi_\beta D^\alpha \phi^\beta \right. \\ \left. + \frac{1}{2} [\phi_\alpha, \phi_\beta][\phi^\alpha, \phi^\beta] + \partial_\alpha (\phi^\alpha D_\beta \phi^\beta) - \partial_\gamma (\phi_\delta D^\delta \phi^\gamma) + 2\partial_\alpha (F_{45} \phi^\alpha) \right) + S_\xi$$

Apart from the  $t$ -dependent term  $S_t$  and total derivative terms, we have the standard terms of 5d  $\mathcal{N} = 2$  SYM (partially twisted).

$S_t$  takes the form

$$S_t = \frac{1}{g_5^2} \int_{\mathcal{M}} d^5x \varepsilon^{\alpha\beta\gamma} \text{Tr} \left( 2 \left( \frac{t-t^{-1}}{t+t^{-1}} \right) \left( \frac{1}{2} F_{\alpha 4} F_{\beta\gamma} + \frac{1}{2} \partial_\alpha (\phi_\beta D_4 \phi_\gamma) + \partial_\alpha (F_{\beta 5} \phi_\gamma) \right) - \left( \frac{4}{t+t^{-1}} \right) \left( \frac{1}{2} F_{\alpha 5} F_{\beta\gamma} + \frac{1}{2} \partial_\alpha (\phi_\beta D_5 \phi_\gamma) + \partial_\alpha (F_{\beta 4} \phi_\gamma) \right) \right). \quad (4.12)$$

We choose to cancel this term by adding  $-S_t$  to the action.

## Boundary conditions/action

We may obtain the explicit (deformed) NS5 boundary data at the origin of  $\mathbb{R}_+$  ( $x^3 = 0$ ) by lifting them from GL-twisted 4d  $\mathcal{N} = 4$  SYM. Firstly, we obtain the Dirichlet boundary conditions

$$\phi_3 = 0|_{\partial\mathcal{M}}, \quad \sigma = 0|_{\partial\mathcal{M}}, \quad \bar{\sigma} = 0|_{\partial\mathcal{M}}, \quad (4.13)$$

whereby the total derivative terms in the  $\mathcal{Q}$ -exact action are just zero.

The fields  $\{\phi_1, \phi_2\}$  and  $\{A_1, A_2, A_4\}$  obey generalized Neumann boundary conditions, while  $A_3$  obeys Dirichlet boundary condition.

These conditions are implied by including the boundary action

$$S_{\partial\mathcal{M}} = \frac{1}{g_5^2} \int_{\partial\mathcal{M}} d^4x \operatorname{Tr} \left( (t + t^{-1}) \left( \frac{1}{2} \varepsilon^{\tilde{\alpha}\tilde{\beta}} D_5 \phi_{\tilde{\alpha}} \phi_{\tilde{\beta}} \right) + \left( \frac{t + t^{-1}}{t - t^{-1}} \right) \varepsilon^{ijk} \left( A_i \partial_j A_k + \frac{2}{3} A_i A_j A_k \right) \right),$$

where  $\tilde{\alpha}, \tilde{\beta} = 1, 2$  and  $i, j, k = 1, 2, 4$ .

In addition, the boundary conditions on the fermionic fields are projection conditions.

Also, the 4d boundary conditions were shown to imply that  $\delta(A_i + w\phi_i) = 0$  for  $w = \frac{t-t^{-1}}{2}$ . The lift of this to 5d gives

$$\delta(A_{\tilde{\alpha}} + w\phi_{\tilde{\alpha}}) = 0$$

and

$$\delta(A_4 + wA_5) = 0.$$

Finally, the boundary conditions restrict the complex parameter  $t$  such that  $|t| = 1$ .

## Localization to 4d Chern-Simons theory

Our total action now takes the form

$$S = \delta_t \tilde{V} - S_t + S_{\partial\mathcal{M}}. \quad (4.14)$$

In fact,

$$-S_t + S_{\partial\mathcal{M}} = \frac{w - \bar{w}}{4} \frac{i\tilde{\Psi}}{2\pi} \int_{\partial\mathcal{M}} dz_w \wedge \text{Tr} \left( \mathcal{A}_w \wedge d\mathcal{A}_w + \frac{2}{3} \mathcal{A}_w \wedge \mathcal{A}_w \wedge \mathcal{A}_w \right)$$

where the real parameter

$$\tilde{\Psi} = \frac{4\pi i}{g_5^2} \left( \frac{t - t^{-1}}{t + t^{-1}} - \frac{t + t^{-1}}{t - t^{-1}} \right).$$

Here, we have defined the complex coordinates  $z_w, \bar{z}_w$  with corresponding derivatives

$$\begin{aligned}\partial_{z_w} &= \frac{1}{2}(\partial_4 + \bar{w}\partial_5) \\ \partial_{\bar{z}_w} &= \frac{1}{2}(\partial_4 + w\partial_5),\end{aligned}\tag{4.15}$$

and the complexified gauge fields

$$\mathcal{A}_{w\tilde{\alpha}} = A_{\tilde{\alpha}} + w\phi_{\tilde{\alpha}}\tag{4.16}$$

(for  $\tilde{\alpha} = 1, 2$ ) and

$$\mathcal{A}_{w\bar{z}_w} = \frac{1}{2}(A_4 + wA_5)\tag{4.17}$$

that are  $Q$ -invariant along the boundary. Hence, the non- $Q$ -exact 4d CS term is  $Q$ -invariant, and we have a  $Q$ -invariant **5d topological-holomorphic theory**.

In the localization analysis, we exclude  $t = \pm 1$  (as  $w \neq 0$  is necessary for to obtain 4d CS) and  $t = \pm i$  (whereby  $t$  can be eliminated from supersymmetry transformations) at the classical level.

Scaling up the  $Q$ -exact terms in the action, the path integral localizes to

$$\begin{aligned}\mathcal{V}_\alpha(t) &= 0 \\ \tilde{\mathcal{V}}_\alpha(t) &= 0 \\ \mathcal{V}_0 &= 0,\end{aligned}\tag{4.18}$$

where  $\mathcal{V}_0 = F_{45} + D_\alpha \phi^\alpha$ . The remaining localization equations (for  $\sigma$ ) are trivial.



In fact, the 5d partially twisted theory can be interpreted as a **1d gauged A-model**, with target space  $\mathfrak{A}$ , the space of all  $\mathcal{A}_w$  fields, and gauge group  $H$ , the space of maps from  $Y \times \Sigma$  to  $U(N)$ .

Let

$$\mathcal{A}_\alpha = A_\alpha + i\phi_\alpha, \quad \mathcal{A}_{\bar{z}} = \frac{1}{2}(A_4 + iA_5). \quad (4.19)$$

With the metric

$$g = -\frac{1}{2g_5^2} \int_{Y \times \Sigma} d^2z d^2x \operatorname{Tr}(\delta \mathcal{A}^{\tilde{\alpha}} \otimes \bar{\mathcal{A}}_{\tilde{\alpha}} + \delta \bar{\mathcal{A}}^{\tilde{\alpha}} \otimes \mathcal{A}_{\tilde{\alpha}} + 4\delta \mathcal{A}_{\bar{z}} \otimes \delta A_z + 4\delta A_z \otimes \delta \mathcal{A}_{\bar{z}}),$$

moment map

$$\mu = -\frac{1}{g_5^2} (D_{\tilde{\alpha}} \phi^{\tilde{\alpha}} + F_{45}),$$

and superpotential

$$W = -\frac{e^{i\alpha'}}{g_5^2} \int_{Y \times \Sigma} dz \wedge \text{Tr} \left( \mathcal{A} \wedge d\mathcal{A} + \frac{2}{3} \mathcal{A} \wedge \mathcal{A} \wedge \mathcal{A} \right),$$

the partially-twisted 5d action can be put in the form of the **1d  $H$ -gauged  $\mathbf{A}$ -model**. In particular, the 5d bulk boson action is equivalent to

$$\begin{aligned} S_{1d}^{\text{Bose}} = & \int d\tau \left( g_{i\bar{j}} \partial_\tau^A x^i \partial_\tau^A x^{\bar{j}} + g_{i\bar{j}} V_a^i \widetilde{\sigma}^a \widetilde{V}_b^{\bar{j}} \widetilde{\sigma}^b + g_{i\bar{j}} V_a^i \widetilde{\sigma}^a \widetilde{V}_b^{\bar{j}} \widetilde{\phi}^b + g_{i\bar{j}} V_a^i \widetilde{\phi}^a \widetilde{V}_b^{\bar{j}} \widetilde{\phi}^b \right. \\ & \left. - g_{i\bar{j}} F^i \bar{F}^{\bar{j}} + \frac{1}{2} F^i \partial_i W + \frac{1}{2} \bar{F}^{\bar{j}} \partial_{\bar{j}} \bar{W} \right) \\ & - \frac{1}{e^2} \int d\tau \text{Tr}' \left( D_\tau \widetilde{\phi} D_\tau \widetilde{\phi} + 2 D_\tau \widetilde{\sigma} D_\tau \widetilde{\sigma} + [\widetilde{\sigma}, \widetilde{\sigma}] [\widetilde{\sigma}, \widetilde{\sigma}] + 2 [\widetilde{\phi}, \widetilde{\sigma}] [\widetilde{\phi}, \widetilde{\sigma}] \right. \\ & \left. - D^2 + 2e^2 \mu D \right), \end{aligned} \quad (4.20)$$

where  $\partial_\tau^A x^i = \partial_\tau x^i + A_\tau^a V_a^i$ . Here,  $x$  is a map from  $\mathbb{R}_+$  to  $\mathfrak{A}$ , while  $V_a$ ,  $a = 1, \dots, \dim H$  are the Killing vector fields generating the  $H$ -action

Such a 1d model localizes to its boundary action.<sup>||</sup>

Hence, our 5d theory is equivalent (after  $x^5 \rightarrow \text{Im}(w)x^5$ ) to

$$\int_{\tilde{\Gamma}} D\mathcal{A} \exp\left(\frac{\tilde{\Psi}\text{Im}(w)}{4\pi} \int_{\partial M} dz \wedge \text{Tr}\left(\mathcal{A} \wedge d\mathcal{A} + \frac{2}{3}\mathcal{A} \wedge \mathcal{A} \wedge \mathcal{A}\right)\right), \quad (4.21)$$

where  $\tilde{\Gamma} \subset \mathfrak{A}$  is defined by solutions of  $\mathcal{V}_\alpha = \tilde{\mathcal{V}}_\alpha = \mathcal{V}_0 = 0$ .

We have considered the case that there is no fermion number anomaly, so the partition function is nonvanishing.

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||. E. Witten, A New Look at the Path Integral of Quantum Mechanics, arXiv:1009.6032

For  $\frac{\widetilde{\Psi}_{\text{Im}(w)}}{2} = \frac{i}{\hbar}$ , this is the path integral for 4d Chern-Simons theory, **defined beyond perturbation theory** with integration cycle  $\widetilde{\Gamma}$ .

Convergence is ensured by  $\widetilde{\Gamma}$  if we tune  $t$  to  $\pm 1$  by adding irrelevant  $\mathcal{Q}$ -exact terms to the action prior to localization. To see this, note that  $\mathcal{V}_\alpha = 0$  and  $\widetilde{\mathcal{V}}_\alpha = 0$  can be rewritten (for any  $t \in \mathbb{R}$ ) via

$$t = \frac{\cos \alpha' - 1}{\sin \alpha'} \quad (4.22)$$

as

$$\boxed{\begin{aligned} \mathcal{F}_{3\widetilde{\gamma}} &= -e^{-i\alpha'} 2\varepsilon_{\widetilde{\gamma}}^{\widetilde{\alpha}} \overline{\mathcal{F}}_{\widetilde{\alpha z}} \\ \mathcal{F}_{3\widetilde{z}} &= -\frac{1}{4} e^{-i\alpha'} \varepsilon^{\widetilde{\beta}\widetilde{\gamma}} \overline{\mathcal{F}}_{\widetilde{\beta}\widetilde{\gamma}}, \end{aligned}} \quad (4.23)$$

where  $\widetilde{\alpha}, \widetilde{\beta}, \widetilde{\gamma} = 1, 2$ .

These are gradient flow equations; in the gauge  $A_3 = 0$  (with  $x^3 = \tau$ ) they are

$$\frac{dx^i}{d\tau} = -g^{i\bar{j}} \frac{\partial \bar{W}}{\partial x^{\bar{j}}}. \quad (4.24)$$

Now,  $\text{Im}(W)$  is **conserved** along any gradient flow. For  $t = \pm 1$ ,

$$W = \pm \frac{i}{g_5^2} \int_{Y \times \Sigma} dz \wedge \text{Tr} \left( \mathcal{A} \wedge d\mathcal{A} + \frac{2}{3} \mathcal{A} \wedge \mathcal{A} \wedge \mathcal{A} \right). \quad (4.25)$$

Hence, the real part of the argument of the exponent of the 4d CS path integral we derived is conserved along gradient flows. Also, by setting  $\mathcal{A} \in \text{Crit } W$  at infinity, means that this real part is finite. Thus, the path integral **converges**, since we integrate over the **Lefschetz thimble**,  $\tilde{\Gamma}$ .

To obtain lattice, we use **F-strings** ending on D4-brane boundary to realize Wilson lines. The worldlines of the endpoints of these strings realize the desired  $Q$ -invariant Wilson lines, given by

$$W = \text{Tr}(P e^{\int_L A_w}), \quad (4.26)$$

where  $L$  is a line along  $Y \subset \partial\mathcal{M}$ .

This means that we may reproduce **R-matrices** and **the YBE with spectral parameter** from a type IIA string theory configuration involving branes and fundamental strings!

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## Relationship with 3d Chern-Simons Theory and the Geometric Langlands Program

# T-duality and 3d Chern-Simons Theory

Recall our brane configuration:

	$\tilde{V}$					$N\tilde{V} \subset T^*\tilde{V}$				
	$Y$	$\mathbb{R}$		$\Sigma$						
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
<b>D4</b>	×	×	×	×	×					
<b>NS5</b>	×	×		×	×	×	×			

Let  $\Sigma = \mathbb{R} \times S^1$ , with  $S^1$  (parametrized by  $x^5$ ) having infinitesimal radius. Taking T-duality along this infinitesimal  $S^1$  decompactifies it to  $\mathbb{R}$ .



In this way, we arrive at the following D3-NS5 configuration

	$\tilde{V}'$				$N\tilde{V}'_{CT^*}\tilde{V}'$					
	$Y$	$\mathbb{R}$	$\mathbb{R}$	$\mathbb{R}$	$\mathbb{R}$	$N\tilde{V}'_{CT^*}\tilde{V}'$				
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
<b>D3</b>	×	×	×	×						
<b>NS5</b>	×	×		×	×	×	×			

This is precisely the system studied by Witten that realizes analytically-continued 3d Chern-Simons theory on  $Y \times \mathbb{R}$ , with an appropriate integration cycle defined by the 4d localization equations.\*\*

\*\* E. Witten, *Fivebranes and Knots*, Quantum Topology **3** (1) (2012) 1–137

At the gauge theory level, the relationship between our 5d topological-holomorphic theory and the 4d GL-twisted theory studied by Witten follows from **scale invariance** along  $\Sigma$ , which amounts to rescaling of  $S^1$ .

Rescaling  $S^1$  to be infinitesimally small, the theory is effectively the dimensionally reduced theory, i.e., the 4d GL-twisted theory.

In this manner, we find a relationship between lattice models realized by 4d Chern-Simons theory and link invariants of analytically-continued 3d Chern-Simons theory.

# The Geometric Langlands Program

The geometric Langlands correspondence is realized via 4d GL-twisted SYM on a product of Riemann surfaces,  $C \times (I \times \mathbb{R})$ .

To relate our 5d theory on  $Y \times \mathbb{R}_+ \times \mathbb{R} \times S^1$  to the geometric Langlands program, we first identify  $Y$  with  $C$ , which we take to be of genus  $g > 1$  (following Kapustin-Witten).

Secondly, we replace  $\mathbb{R}_+$  by the interval,  $I$ , with the boundary condition at infinity replaced by a suitable one at  $x^3 = s$  (equivalently, the D4-NS5 system is modified by an additional D-brane).

Upon T-duality, we obtain a modification of Witten's D3-NS5 setup. Using the topological invariance along  $C$  to shrink it, we are led to a sigma model on  $I \times \mathbb{R}$  with  $\mathcal{M}_H(G, C)$  as target.

As before, we may tune  $t = \pm 1$  by adding  $\mathcal{Q}$ -exact terms, implying that the sigma model is an A-model in symplectic structure  $\omega_K$  of  $\mathcal{M}_H(G, C)$ .

Now, the NS5-brane boundary condition on one end of the interval descends to a space-filling coisotropic brane,  $\mathcal{B}_c$ , of the sigma model, of type  $(B, A, A)$ .

At the other end, the boundary condition picked is that of an  $(A, B, A)$  brane,  $\mathcal{B}'$ , that is Lagrangian with respect to the symplectic structure  $\omega_K$ .

In this manner, we arrive at a **twisted D-module**. Sheaf of  $(\mathcal{B}_c, \mathcal{B}_c)$  strings = sheaf  $\mathcal{D}_{K_{\mathcal{M}}^{1/2} \otimes \mathcal{L}^\Psi}$  of holomorphic differential operators acting on sections of  $K_{\mathcal{M}}^{1/2} \otimes \mathcal{L}^\Psi$ , where  $\mathcal{M} = \mathcal{M}(G, C)$  and where  $\mathcal{L}$  is the determinant line bundle on  $\mathcal{M}(G, C)$ . The  $(\mathcal{B}_c, \mathcal{B}')$  strings = sections of a tensor product bundle that includes  $K_{\mathcal{M}}^{1/2} \otimes \mathcal{L}^\Psi$ .

Under type IIB S-duality, the parameter  $\Psi \rightarrow -\frac{1}{\Psi}$ . The parameter  $t$  is not relevant, and is considered to be invariant under S-duality.

Thus, the  $\omega_K$  A-model with target  $\mathcal{M}(G, C)$  is dualized to the  $\omega_K$  A-model with target  $\mathcal{M}({}^L G, C)$ . Moreover, twisted D-modules get mapped to twisted D-modules, realizing the **quantum Geometric Langlands correspondence**, in a manner similar to Kapustin-Witten.

Why do the coisotropic branes map to each other under type IIB S-duality?

Under the  $SL(2, \mathbb{Z})$  transformation that maps  $\tau$  to  $\tau + 1$ ,  $\theta \rightarrow \theta + 2\pi$ , and NS5-brane  $\rightarrow$  (1,1)-brane. Since the effect is just a shift of  $\theta$ , the sigma model description of the boundary condition as a  $B_c$  brane is unaffected.

Under the combination of orientation reversal and S-duality, we have  $(1, 1) \rightarrow (1, -1) \rightarrow (1, 1)$ , implying that the  $B_c$  brane is mapped to another  $B_c$  brane.

Note that performing an orientation reversal before S-duality also gives  $\Psi \rightarrow \frac{1}{\Psi}$ , as required.

# S-duality of 3d Analytically-continued Chern-Simons Theory

Now, we have a duality of the 4d D3-brane worldvolume theory that maps  $G$  to  ${}^L G$  and (1,1) fivebranes to themselves.

Moreover, both systems localize to 3d analytically-continued Chern-Simons theory at the boundary.

This can be interpreted as an S-duality for 3d analytically-continued Chern-Simons theory, which has been predicted previously by Terashima-Yamazaki and Dimofte-Gukov.



Note that the  $SL(2, \mathbb{Z})$  transformation that gave  $NS5 \rightarrow (1, 1)$  also gives  $F1 \rightarrow (1, 1)$ -string. The latter are Wilson-'t Hooft lines.

$G$  Wilson-'t Hooft lines are thus mapped to  ${}^L G$  Wilson-'t Hooft lines under S-duality of 3d analytically-continued CS.

## Modification of the QGL Correspondence

The **geometric Langlands correspondence** is actually **generalized** in our case, as follows. In the **integrable lattice models** realized by 4d Chern-Simons theory, we ought to include a network of Wilson lines along  $x^3 = 0$  in our setup above.

These Wilson lines (in reps. of the quantum affine algebra) are located at points on  $\Sigma = \mathbb{R} \times S^1$ , and upon shrinking  $S^1$ , they are located on points along  $\mathbb{R}$ .

As before, mapping  $NS5 \rightarrow (1, 1)$  via an  $SL(2, \mathbb{Z})$  transformation, the Wilson lines become Wilson-'t Hooft lines. Upon shrinking  $Y$ , they then become local operators located at  $x^3 = 0$  and along  $\mathbb{R}$ , and therefore correspond to points on the coisotropic brane.

The aforementioned twisted D-modules are thus modified to involve data of Wilson-'t Hooft lines (labelled by  $i$ ), i.e., homomorphisms  $\rho^i : U(1) \rightarrow G$  ('t Hooft) and representations of the quantum deformation of a subgroup of  $G$  (Wilson), which is the commutant of  $\rho^i(U(1))$ .

Thus, QGL is **modified** in our present setup by reps. of quantum groups.

## Gaiitsgory-Lurie Conjecture

Correspondence between (i) Kazhdan-Luzstig category,  $KL_{\Psi}(G)$ , of finitely generated modules over the affine Kac-Moody algebra  $\widehat{\mathfrak{g}}_{\Psi-h^{\vee}}$  on which the action of  $\mathfrak{g}[[z]]$  integrates to an action of the group  $G[[z]]$ , and (ii) category of Whittaker D-modules on the affine Grassmannian  $\text{Gr}({}^L G)$  of  ${}^L G$ , denoted  $\text{Whit}_{\frac{1}{\Psi}}({}^L G)$ .<sup>††</sup>

(i) is equivalent to the category of representations of quantum groups  $U_q(G)$ , where  $q$  is related to  $\Psi$  via  $q = \exp(\frac{\pi i}{\Psi})$ , with  $\Psi = k + h^{\vee}$  (where  $k$  is the level of the affine Kac-Moody algebra).

<sup>††</sup>. The Whittaker category  $\text{Whit}_c$  consists of  $c$ -twisted D-modules on  $\text{Gr}_G$  that are  $N((z))$ -equivariant with respect to a non-degenerate character, where  $N$  is the maximal unipotent subgroup of  $G$ .

The deformed NS5-brane boundary condition leads to 3d analytically-continued Chern-Simons theory on the boundary  $C \times \mathbb{R}$ .

Now, we may deform the integration cycle of 3d analytically-continued Chern-Simons theory to one that parametrizes real gauge fields, and upon making the identification  $\Psi = k + h^\vee$ , we obtain ordinary 3d Chern-Simons theory, where  $k \in \mathbb{Z}_+$  is the level.

Upon doing so, the Wilson lines will be in representations of  $U_q(G)$ , where  $q = \exp(\frac{\pi i}{k+h^\vee})$ .

Moreover, the Wilson lines can be taken to lie along  $\mathbb{R}$  and on points on  $C$ , via topological invariance of Chern-Simons theory. As a result, there are local operators of the corresponding WZW theory on  $C$  associated with the quantum group representations, giving rise to the aforementioned finitely generated module over  $\widehat{\mathfrak{g}}_k$ , denoted  $\widehat{\mathfrak{g}}_{\Psi-h^\vee}\text{-mod}_C^0$ .

Under an orientation reversal and S-duality that sends  $\Psi \rightarrow \frac{1}{\Psi}$ , the NS5-brane becomes a D5-brane that realizes the maximal Nahm pole boundary condition on the  $\phi_1$ ,  $\phi_2$  and  $\phi_4$  fields.

Moreover, the Wilson lines realized by fundamental strings become 't Hooft lines realized by D1-branes. The category of these 't Hooft lines is precisely the Whittaker category.<sup>‡‡</sup>

<sup>‡‡</sup>. D. Gaiotto and E. Frenkel, Quantum Langlands dualities of boundary conditions, D-modules, and conformal block, [arXiv:1805.00203]

Vertex algebra version of the conjecture - the Whittaker category is replaced by a certain subcategory of the category of modules of the affine  $W$ -algebra,  $\mathcal{W}_{\frac{1}{\psi}}(\mathcal{L}\mathfrak{g})$ , whose objects arise from "magnetic" vertex operators.

We can understand how this arises physically on  $C$ . Firstly, the D5-brane boundary condition was shown by Gaiotto and Witten to have a description in terms of  $\mathcal{L}\mathfrak{g}$  opers (with singularities due to the 't Hooft lines),\* which describe  $\mathcal{W}_{\frac{1}{\psi}}(\mathcal{L}\mathfrak{g})$  conformal blocks on  $C$  in the classical limit.

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\*. D. Gaiotto, E. Witten, *Knot invariants from four-dimensional gauge theory*, *Advances in Theoretical and Mathematical Physics* **16** (3) (2012) 935-1086

Furthermore, with 't Hooft line knots/links, braiding along  $\mathbb{R}$  of the  $\mathbb{R}$ -independent *quantum* BPS states of the D3-D5 system was identified with braiding of complex integration cycles for 3d analytically-continued Chern-Simons theory on  $C \times I$  with coupling  $\frac{1}{\Psi}$ .

This in turn is related via deformation of its complex integration cycle to one that parametrizes real gauge fields, as well as the oper boundary condition, to  $\mathcal{W}_{\frac{1}{\Psi}}(L\mathfrak{g})$  conformal blocks on  $C$ .



$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 \text{KL}_\Psi(G)/\widehat{\mathfrak{g}}_{\Psi-h^\vee}\text{-mod}_C^0 & \xrightarrow{S'} & \text{Whit}_{\frac{1}{\Psi}}({}^L G)/\mathcal{W}_{\frac{1}{\Psi}}({}^L \mathfrak{g})\text{-mod}_C^0 \\
 \uparrow \mathcal{T}^{-1} & & \uparrow S' \mathcal{T} S'^{-1} \\
 4d \text{ CS}_{\tilde{\Psi}}(G_{\mathbb{C}}) & \xrightarrow{\mathcal{T}\mathcal{T}} 3d \text{ CS}_{\Psi+1}(G_{\mathbb{C}}) & \xrightarrow{S'} 3d \text{ CS}_{\frac{1}{\Psi+1}}({}^L G_{\mathbb{C}}) \\
 \downarrow C \rightarrow 0 & & \downarrow C \rightarrow 0 \\
 D\text{-mod}_{\Psi+1}^{U_{q'}(G_{\rho^i}), \rho^i}(\mathcal{M}(G, C)) & \xrightarrow{S'} & D\text{-mod}_{\frac{1}{\Psi+1}}^{U_{Lq'}({}^L G_{L\rho^i}), L\rho^i}(\mathcal{M}({}^L G, C))
 \end{array}$$

A relationship between 4d Chern-Simons theory, 3d S-dual Chern-Simons theories, the quantum group modification of quantum geometric Langlands, and the Gaiatsgory-Lurie conjecture. Here,  $q' = \exp(\frac{\pi i}{\Psi+1})$ .

## Quantum $q$ -Langlands Correspondence

The quantum  $q$ -Langlands correspondence relates modules of the quantum deformation of the affine algebra,  $\widehat{\mathfrak{g}}_{\mathbb{C}}$ , and the  $q$ -deformed affine  $W$ -algebra for  ${}^L\mathfrak{g}_{\mathbb{C}}$ . We speculate that this could be realized in our setup by T-dualizing both the D3-NS5 and D3-D5 systems.

The former leads to the D4-NS5 system studied in previous sections that gave us 4d Chern-Simons theory on  $C \times \mathbb{R} \times S^1$ , with Wilson lines in representations of the quantum deformation of  $\widehat{\mathfrak{g}}_{\mathbb{C}}$ .

On the other hand, T-dualizing the D3-D5 system in an appropriate direction gives us a D4-D6 system, which is also described by Nahm Pole boundary conditions.

We expect that braiding along  $\mathbb{R}$  of the  $\mathbb{R}$ -independent quantum BPS states of the D4-D6 system can be identified with braiding of complex integration cycles for 4d Chern-Simons theory on  $C \times I \times S^1$ .

This in turn ought to be related via the Nahm pole boundary condition to a 3d boundary theory on  $C \times S^1$  that realizes modules of the  $q$ -deformed affine  $W$ -algebra for  $L_{\mathfrak{g}_C}$

## Conclusion and Future Directions

- We have shown that integrable lattice models, link invariants, quantum geometric Langlands and the Gaiitsgory-Lurie conjecture, are related via dualities in string theory which have field-theoretic incarnations on the respective worldvolumes.
- The crucial ingredient is the fact that the 5d  $\mathcal{N} = 2$  SYM theory admits a partial twist that is topological-holomorphic, and analogous to the GL-twist of 4d  $\mathcal{N} = 4$  SYM.

- Future work involves defining GL type twists for maximally supersymmetric Yang-Mills theory in 6d and 7d as well, which would lead to 5d and 6d Chern-Simons theories once NS5-type boundary conditions are imposed.
- Moreover, further T-dualities applied to the S-dual D3-D5 system ought to furnish higher analogues of the quantum geometric Langlands correspondence, just as the D4-NS5 and D4-D6 systems ought to realize the quantum  $q$ -Langlands correspondence via TST-duality.
- Namely, we expect the quantum  $q, v$ -geometric Langlands correspondence involving elliptic affine  $W$ -algebras to follow from T-duality to the D5-D7 system, and a further generalization to be furnished by T-duality to the D6-D8 system.

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# Thank you for your attention!