# Open-closed (little) string duality 

 and
## Chern-Simons-Bethe/gauge correspondence

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## and the project

BPS/CFT correspondence and
non-perturbative Dyson-Schwinger equations

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## Example: geometric quantization

$$
\begin{gathered}
\int_{(p, q) \in \text { coadjoint orbit }} D p D q \exp \left(\mathrm{i} \int p d q-\int \operatorname{Tr} A \cdot \mu(p, q)\right) \\
\sim \quad\left\langle v_{1}\right| T_{\mathcal{H}}\left(P \exp \int A\right)\left|v_{2}\right\rangle
\end{gathered}
$$

inspiration Borel - Weil - Bott theorem, 1957
Kirillov 1961; path integral suggested in 1961 by Faddeev
Alekseev, Faddeev, Shatashvili 1988

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Dynkin labels: $\quad a_{i}=\mathcal{R}_{i}, \quad 2 a_{i}=\sum_{e \in s^{-1}(i)} a_{t(e)}+\sum_{e \in t^{-1}(i)} a_{s(e)}$


$$
\text { (a) } \tilde{\mathrm{D}}_{1}^{2 n}
$$



## Symmetry hints: McKay duality

Quiver $\Gamma=$ affine Dynkin diagram of $G_{\Gamma}$
McKay dual simple Lie group (ADE)



## Symmetry hints: Weyl group $\mathcal{W}_{\Gamma}$

## ALE spaces $=\widetilde{\mathbb{C}^{2} / \Gamma}$

Four dimensional hyperkähler manifolds, with moduli $\left(\mathbb{R}^{r} \otimes \mathbb{R}^{3}\right) / \mathcal{W}_{\Gamma}$ $H^{2}(\mathrm{ALE}, \mathbb{Z})$ form the $\mathcal{W}_{\Gamma}$ - local system over the moduli space


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Four dimensional hyperkähler manifolds, with moduli

$$
\mathcal{M}_{\Gamma}=\left\{\left(\zeta_{i}^{\mathbb{R}}, \zeta_{i}^{\mathbb{C}}\right)\right\} \in\left(\mathfrak{h}\left(G_{\Gamma}\right) \otimes \mathbb{R} \oplus \mathbb{C}\right) / \mathcal{W}_{\Gamma}
$$

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# Emergent symmetry in quantum system 

Example: Nakajima algebras

Start with the $4+1$ dimensional

Supersymmetric $U(w)$ gauge theory on

$$
\left(\mathrm{ALE}=\widetilde{\mathbb{R}^{4} / \Gamma}\right) \times \mathbb{R}^{1}
$$

In a low-energy weak-coupling adiabatic approximation $\Longrightarrow$
Vafa, Witten, 1994

Supersymmetric quantum mechanics on $\mathcal{M}_{\mathrm{v}, \mathrm{w}}\left(\widetilde{\mathbb{R}^{4} / \Gamma}\right)$

$$
\begin{gathered}
U(w) \text { instantons on ALE space } \widetilde{\mathbb{R}^{4} / \Gamma}, \\
\text { with topological charges } \mathbf{v}=\left(v_{0}, v_{1}, \ldots, v_{r}\right) \\
\text { and boundary conditions at infinity } \\
U(w) \longrightarrow H_{\mathbf{w}}=U\left(w_{0}\right) \times U\left(w_{1}\right) \times \ldots \times U\left(w_{r}\right)
\end{gathered}
$$

Supersymmetric quantum mechanics on $\mathcal{M}_{\mathrm{v}, \mathrm{w}}\left(\widetilde{\mathbb{R}^{4} / \Gamma}\right)$
$A \rightarrow$ flat connection at infinity

$$
\begin{gathered}
\pi_{1}\left(\mathrm{~S}^{3} / \Gamma\right)=\Gamma \rightarrow U(w) \\
U(w) \longrightarrow H_{\mathbf{w}}=U\left(w_{0}\right) \times U\left(w_{1}\right) \times \ldots \times U\left(w_{r}\right) \\
-\frac{1}{8 \pi^{2}} \int_{\text {ALE }} \operatorname{Tr} F \wedge F \sim v_{0} \quad \frac{1}{2 \pi \mathrm{i}} \operatorname{Tr} F \sim v_{1}\left[\Sigma_{1}\right]+\ldots+v_{r}\left[\Sigma_{r}\right] \\
\text { (2.) (2.) } \sum_{\text {E. }}^{5} \text {. }
\end{gathered}
$$

Supersymmetric quantum mechanics on $\mathcal{M}_{\mathbf{v}, \mathbf{w}}$ (ALE)

Ground states: cohomology $H^{*}\left(\mathcal{M}_{\mathbf{v}, \mathbf{w}}(\mathrm{ALE})\right)$
Nakajima: $\mathcal{H}_{\mathrm{w}, \Gamma}=\bigoplus_{\mathbf{v}} H^{*}\left(\mathcal{M}_{\mathrm{v}, \mathbf{w}}(\mathrm{ALE})\right)$ is
an irreducible highest weight representation of Kac-Moody algebra $\widehat{\mathfrak{g}}_{\Gamma}$ $G_{\Gamma}-$ McKay dual Lie group


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Nakajima: work $H_{\mathrm{w}} \times U(1)$-equivariantly

$$
\mathcal{H}_{\mathbf{w}, \Gamma}=\bigoplus_{\mathbf{v}} H^{*}\left(\mathcal{M}_{\mathbf{v}, \mathbf{w}}(\mathrm{ALE})\right)
$$

irrep of the Yangian $Y\left(\widehat{\mathfrak{g}}_{\Gamma}\right)$ of $\widehat{\mathfrak{g}}_{\Gamma}$
Ginzburg, Vasserot (finite A series); Varagnolo, 2000

## More generally

$\mathcal{M}_{\mathbf{v}, \mathbf{w}}$ (ALE) is an example of a quiver variety $\mathfrak{M}_{\gamma}(\mathbf{w}, \mathbf{v})$
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## More generally

Sigma model $\sim$ supersymmetric quantum mechanics on $L \mathfrak{M}_{\gamma}(\mathbf{w}, \mathbf{v})$

## Ground states: K-theory $K\left(\mathfrak{M}_{\gamma}(\mathbf{w}, \mathbf{v})\right)$

Nakajima: work $H_{\mathrm{w}} \times U(1)$-equivariantly

$$
\mathcal{H}_{\mathbf{w}, \Gamma}=\bigoplus_{\mathbf{v}} K\left(\mathfrak{M}_{\gamma}(\mathbf{w}, \mathbf{v})\right)
$$

irrep of quantum affine algebra $U_{q}\left(\mathfrak{g}_{\gamma}\right)$ of $\mathfrak{g}_{\gamma}$

## SURPRISES

## Need to sum over v:

Full symmetry is realized in a collection of quantum systems

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# Need to sum over v: collections of quantum systems 

## Natural in $4+1$ theory but it is not a quantum field theory

No obvious realization of $G_{\Gamma}$ in the classical system

## HINTS

# String theory realization of the gauge theory 

makes the summation over v natural

In string theory the appearence of $G_{\Gamma}$ comes naturally

## Mental note:

String theory may provide a natural explanation

## Natural habitat

for the Yangian algebras?

## Natural habitat of the Yangian

Spin chains!


## Natural habitat of the Yangian

## Spin chains! Start with $Y\left(s l_{2}\right)$ for simplicity

Finite dimensional Hilbert space

$$
\mathcal{H}=\mathbb{C}^{2} \otimes \mathbb{C}^{2} \otimes \ldots \otimes \mathbb{C}^{2}
$$

$$
\mathcal{H}=\overbrace{\mathbb{C}^{2} \otimes \mathbb{C}^{2} \otimes \ldots \otimes \mathbb{C}^{2}}^{L \text { times }}
$$

## Hamiltonian

$$
\widehat{H}=\sum_{a=1}^{L} \sigma_{a}^{x} \otimes \sigma_{a+1}^{x}+\sigma_{a}^{y} \otimes \sigma_{a+1}^{y}+\sigma_{a}^{z} \otimes \sigma_{a+1}^{z}
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\vec{\sigma}_{a+L}=\vec{\sigma}_{a}
\end{gathered}
$$

Heisenberg magnet: periodic isotropic homogeneous spin chain

## Hamiltonians!

$$
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\mathcal{H}=\overbrace{\mathbb{C}^{2} \otimes \mathbb{C}^{2} \otimes \ldots \otimes \mathbb{C}^{2}}^{L \text { times }} \\
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\end{gathered}
$$

$$
\widehat{H}_{2}, \widehat{H}_{3}, \ldots, \widehat{H}_{L}, \ldots
$$

$$
\left[\widehat{H}_{i}, \widehat{H}_{j}\right]=0
$$

Quantum integrability!

# Commuting Hamiltonians from Transfer Matrix 

$$
\widehat{T}(x)=x^{L} \exp \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n} x^{-n} \widehat{H}_{n}
$$

Quantum integrability $\Leftrightarrow\left[\widehat{T}\left(x^{\prime}\right), \widehat{T}\left(x^{\prime \prime}\right)\right]=0$

## Transfer matrices

$$
\begin{gathered}
\mathrm{R}: \mathrm{V} \otimes \mathrm{~V} \longrightarrow \mathrm{~V} \otimes \mathrm{~V} \\
\mathrm{~T}: \mathcal{H} \longrightarrow \mathrm{H}
\end{gathered}
$$

$$
\begin{aligned}
& 4 \\
& 4
\end{aligned}
$$

## Transfer matrices from the $R$-matrix

$$
\widehat{T}(x)=\operatorname{Tr}_{V_{\text {aux }}}\left(R\left(x, \mu_{1}\right) R\left(x, \mu_{2}\right) \ldots R\left(x, \mu_{L}\right)\right): \mathcal{H} \longrightarrow \mathcal{H}
$$



Yang-Baxter equation for the $R$-matrix


Implies $\left[\widehat{T}\left(x^{\prime}\right), \widehat{T}\left(x^{\prime \prime}\right)\right]=0$ by the train argument

## Yang-Baxter equation for the $R$-matrix


$\Longrightarrow\left[\widehat{T}\left(x^{\prime}\right), \widehat{T}\left(x^{\prime \prime}\right)\right]=0$ by the cyclicity of $\operatorname{Tr}_{\text {Vaux }}$

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$$

$$
\begin{aligned}
& \mathcal{H}=V_{1}\left(\mu_{1}\right) \otimes V_{2}\left(\mu_{2}\right) \otimes \ldots \otimes V_{L}\left(\mu_{L}\right) \\
& \mu_{1}, \ldots, \mu_{L} \in \mathbb{C} \quad \text { inhomogeneities }
\end{aligned}
$$

Heisenberg spin chain was homogeneous, i.e. $\mu_{a}=0$

## Twisted transfer matrices from the $R$-matrix

$$
\widehat{T}(x ; \mathfrak{q})=\operatorname{Tr}_{V_{\text {aux }}} g_{\mathfrak{q}}\left(R\left(x, \mu_{1}\right) R\left(x, \mu_{2}\right) \ldots R\left(x, \mu_{L}\right)\right): \mathcal{H} \longrightarrow \mathcal{H}
$$

Twisted spin chain, $\vec{\sigma}_{a+L}=\operatorname{Ad}\left(g_{q}\right) \vec{\sigma}_{a}$

For $S U(2): \quad g_{\mathfrak{q}}=\mathfrak{q}^{\frac{1}{2} \sigma^{z}}$

Anisotropic models from the trigonometric and elliptic $R$-matrices
Baxter, Drinfeld, Belavin, Jimbo

$$
\begin{gathered}
\widehat{T}(x ; \mathfrak{q})=\operatorname{Tr}_{V_{\text {aux }}} g_{\mathfrak{q}}\left(R\left(x, \mu_{1}\right) R\left(x, \mu_{2}\right) \ldots R\left(x, \mu_{L}\right)\right): \mathcal{H} \longrightarrow \mathcal{H} \\
\widehat{H}_{1} \rightarrow \sum_{a=1}^{L} \alpha \sigma_{a}^{x} \otimes \sigma_{a+1}^{x}+\beta \sigma_{a}^{y} \otimes \sigma_{a+1}^{y}+\gamma \sigma_{a}^{z} \otimes \sigma_{a+1}^{z}
\end{gathered}
$$

$$
(\alpha: \beta: \gamma)=\left\{\begin{array}{ccc}
(1: 1: 1) & \text { rational } & \mathbf{X X X} \\
(1: 1: \Delta) & \text { trigonometric } & \mathbf{X X Z} \\
\left(1: \Delta^{\prime}: \Delta^{\prime \prime}\right) & \text { elliptic } & \mathbf{X Y Z}
\end{array}\right.
$$

## Lattice model



## Lattice model

## Partition function via transfer matrix formalism

L. Onsager solution of the Ising model

$$
z_{L, \tilde{L}}=\operatorname{Tr}_{\mathcal{H}_{L}}\left(\widehat{T}\left(x_{1} ; \mathfrak{q}\right) \widehat{T}\left(x_{2} ; \mathfrak{q}\right) \ldots \widehat{T}\left(x_{\tilde{L}} ; \mathfrak{q}\right) \cdot g_{\tilde{q}}\right)
$$

## Lattice model on a torus: double trace

not in the sense of gauge theory

$$
z_{L, \tilde{L}}=\operatorname{Tr}_{\mathcal{H}_{L}}\left(\widehat{T}\left(x_{1} ; \mathfrak{q}\right) \widehat{T}\left(x_{2} ; \mathfrak{q}\right) \ldots \widehat{T}\left(x_{\tilde{L}} ; \mathfrak{q}\right) \cdot g_{\overline{\mathfrak{q}}}\right)
$$



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$$



## Lattice model: double trace

$z_{L, \tilde{L}}(\mathfrak{q}, \tilde{\mathfrak{q}})=\sum$ over states on the edges of the lattice
Boltzmann weights $=$ products of $R$-matrix elements


## Lattice model: modularity

Exchange $A$ and $B$ cycles

$$
\begin{aligned}
& L \operatorname{vs} \tilde{L} \\
& \mathfrak{q} \operatorname{vs} \tilde{\mathfrak{q}}
\end{aligned}
$$



Lattice model: Hamiltonian viewpoint

$$
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$$

Bethe states: $\psi_{\sigma} \in \mathcal{H}$

$$
\widehat{T}(x, \mathfrak{q}) \psi_{\sigma}=T_{\sigma}(x, \mathfrak{q}) \psi_{\sigma}
$$

$z_{L, \tilde{L}}=\sum$ over the eigenvalues of the transfer matrix

$$
z_{L, \tilde{L}}(\mathfrak{q}, \tilde{\mathfrak{q}})=\sum_{N} \tilde{\mathfrak{q}}^{N} \sum_{\sigma_{1}, \ldots, \sigma_{N}} T_{\sigma}\left(x_{1} ; \mathfrak{q}\right) \ldots T_{\sigma}\left(x_{\tilde{L}} ; \mathfrak{q}\right)
$$

Sum over the number of Bethe roots = "magnons"

# Hamiltonian viewpoint: Bethe ansatz 

Bethe states: $\psi_{\sigma} \in \mathcal{H}$

$$
\widehat{T}(x, \mathfrak{q}) \psi_{\sigma}=T_{\sigma}(x, \mathfrak{q}) \psi_{\sigma}
$$

for all $x$

## Lightnining review of Bethe ansatz

Faddeev, Sklyanin, Takhtajan

Kulish, Reshetikhin Isergin, Korepin

Drinfeld, Jimbo, Miwa

## Monodromy matrix

$$
\left(\begin{array}{ll}
A(x) & B(x) \\
C(x) & D(x)
\end{array}\right)=R\left(x, \mu_{1}\right) \ldots R\left(x, \mu_{L}\right): V_{\mathrm{aux}} \otimes \mathcal{H} \rightarrow V_{\mathrm{aux}} \otimes \mathcal{H}
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Yangian $Y\left(s l_{2}\right)$ generators

$$
A(x), B(x), C(x), D(x): \mathcal{H} \rightarrow \mathcal{H}
$$

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## Bethe state

$$
\psi_{\sigma}=B\left(\sigma_{1}\right) B\left(\sigma_{2}\right) \ldots B\left(\sigma_{N}\right)|\downarrow \downarrow \ldots \downarrow\rangle
$$

# Lightnining review of Bethe ansatz 

Bethe state (algebraic Bethe ansatz)

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$$

Bethe roots $\sigma_{1}, \ldots, \sigma_{N}$

## Lightnining review of Bethe ansatz

Bethe equations

$$
\mathfrak{q} \prod_{a=1}^{L} \frac{\sigma_{i}-\mu_{a}+u}{\sigma_{i}-\mu_{a}-u}=\prod_{j \neq i} \frac{\sigma_{i}-\sigma_{j}+2 u}{\sigma_{i}-\sigma_{j}-2 u}
$$

Solutions $=$ Bethe roots $\sigma_{1}, \ldots, \sigma_{N}$
Planck constant $\approx u$

## Lightning review of Bethe ansatz

Functional Bethe Ansatz: $T-Q$ relation
Baxter, Sklyanin

$$
P(x-u) Q_{\sigma}(x+2 u)+\mathfrak{q} P(x+u) Q_{\sigma}(x-2 u)=T_{\sigma}(x ; \mathfrak{q}) Q_{\sigma}(x)
$$

$$
Q_{\sigma}(x)=\prod_{i=1}^{N}\left(x-\sigma_{i}\right), \quad P(x)=\prod_{a=1}^{L}\left(x-\mu_{a}\right)
$$

The content of this equation: $T_{\sigma}(x ; \mathfrak{q})$ has no singularities in $x$

## Lightnining review of Bethe ansatz

$$
\begin{gathered}
Q_{\sigma}(x)=\prod_{i=1}^{N}\left(x-\sigma_{i}\right)=\text { eigenvalue of Baxter operator } \widehat{Q}(x) \\
P(x)=\prod_{a=1}^{L}\left(x-\mu_{a}\right)=\text { Drinfeld polynomial }
\end{gathered}
$$

## Lightnining review of Bethe ansatz

$q$-character form of Bethe equations

E. Frenkel, Reshetikhin

$$
Y_{\sigma}(x+2 u)+\mathfrak{q} \ell(x) Y_{\sigma}(x)^{-1}=\frac{T_{\sigma}(x ; \mathfrak{q})}{P(x-u)}
$$

$T_{\sigma}(x ; \mathfrak{q})$ is a polynomial in $x$

$$
\begin{aligned}
Y_{\sigma}(x) & =\frac{Q_{\sigma}(x)}{Q_{\sigma}(x-2 u)} \\
\ell(x) & =\frac{P(x+u)}{P(x-u)}
\end{aligned}
$$

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$$

$$
Y_{\sigma}(x)=\frac{Q_{\sigma}(x)}{Q_{\sigma}(x-2 u)}=
$$

eigenvalue of the operator $\widehat{Y}(x)$

## $q$-character

$$
\widehat{Y}(x+2 u)+\mathfrak{q} \ell(x) \widehat{Y}(x)^{-1}=
$$

the fundamental $q$-character of $Y\left(s l_{2}\right)$

## $q$-characters for general quivers

$$
\begin{aligned}
& \widehat{Y}_{i}(x+2 u)+ \\
& +\mathfrak{q}_{i} \ell_{i}(x) \widehat{Y}_{i}(x)^{-1} \prod_{e \in s^{-1}(i)} \widehat{Y}_{t(e)}\left(x+\mu_{e}+u\right) \prod_{e \in t^{-1}(i)} \widehat{Y}_{s(e)}\left(x-\mu_{e}+u\right)+\ldots
\end{aligned}
$$

$$
=\text { the fundamental } q \text {-character of } Y\left(\mathfrak{g}_{\Gamma}\right)
$$

$$
\ell_{i}(x)=\frac{P_{i}(x+u)}{P_{i}(x-u)}
$$

the $\ell$-weight

## $q$-character for $\widehat{A}_{0}$

NN, Pestun, Shatashvili, 2013
E. Frenkel, D. Hernandez, 2013-2015


## Additional parameter $\varepsilon=\mu_{e}$

$$
\sum_{\lambda} \mathfrak{q}^{|\lambda|} \prod_{\square \in \lambda} \ell\left(x+c_{\square}\right) \frac{\prod_{\llbracket \partial_{+} \lambda} \widehat{Y}\left(x+2 u+c_{\square}\right)}{\prod_{\llbracket \partial_{-} \lambda} \hat{Y}\left(x+c_{\square}\right)}
$$


$=$ the fundamental $q$-character of $Y(\widehat{u(1)})$

$$
\begin{aligned}
& c_{\square}=\varepsilon(i-j)-u(i+j-2), \quad \square=(i, j) \\
& \ell(x)=\frac{P(x+u)}{P(x-u)}
\end{aligned}
$$

## Bethe/gauge correspondence

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NN, Shatashvili 2007

## Bethe/gauge correspondence

Prior work: Moore, NN, Shatashvili, 1997
Givental, 1993
Gorsky, NN, 1992-1994
Gerasimov, Shatashvili, 2006
$\mathcal{N}=(2,2), d=2$ super-Poincare invariant gauge theory

## Bethe/gauge correspondence

Quantum integrable system

Supersymmetric vacua (in finite volume)


## Bethe/gauge correspondence



Stationary states = joint eigenvectors of quantum integrals of motion

Twisted chiral ring, e.g. $\mathcal{O}_{n}=\frac{1}{(2 \pi \mathrm{i})^{n} n!} \operatorname{Tr} \sigma^{n}$

## Bethe/gauge correspondence



Quantum integrals of motion $\widehat{H}_{n}$, e.g. $\widehat{\operatorname{Tr} L^{n}}$ for Lax operator $L$

# Effective twisted superpotential $\mathcal{W}\left(\sigma_{1}, \ldots, \sigma_{N}\right)$ 

## Bethe/gauge correspondence



The Yang-Yang functional $y\left(\sigma_{1}, \ldots, \sigma_{N}\right)$

# $\mathcal{N}=(2,2), d=2$ super-Poincare invariant gauge theory 



Quantum integrable system

$$
\mathcal{N}=4, d=2 U(N) \text { gauge theory }
$$

with $L$ hypermultiplets in the fundamental representation

## Example of Bethe/gauge correspondence

Inhomogeneous twisted length $L S U(2)$ spin $\frac{1}{2}$ chain in the sector with $N$ spins up

Softly broken $\mathcal{N}=4 \rightarrow \mathcal{N}=2, d=2 U(N)$ gauge theory by the twisted mass $u$, corresponding to the $U(1)$ symmetry

$$
\begin{gathered}
Q, \tilde{Q} \mapsto e^{\mathrm{i} u} Q, e^{\mathrm{i} u} \tilde{Q} \\
\Phi \mapsto e^{-2 \mathrm{i} u} \Phi
\end{gathered}
$$

Inhomogeneities $\mu_{a}=$ twisted masses $\leftrightarrow U(L)$ flavor symmetry of $\mathcal{N}=4$ theory
the twist parameter $\mathfrak{q}=$ Kähler modulus

$$
\mathfrak{q}=e^{2 \pi \mathrm{i} t}=e^{\mathrm{i} \vartheta-2 \pi r}
$$

## Bethe equations

= quantum cohomology (twisted chiral ring) relations

$$
\mathfrak{q} \prod_{a=1}^{L} \frac{\sigma_{i}-\mu_{a}+u}{\sigma_{i}-\mu_{a}-u}=\prod_{j \neq i} \frac{\sigma_{i}-\sigma_{j}+2 u}{\sigma_{i}-\sigma_{j}-2 u}
$$

## Solutions =

eigenvalues of the complex scalar in the $U(N)$ vector multiplet:

$$
\sigma \sim \operatorname{diag}\left(\sigma_{1}, \ldots, \sigma_{N}\right)
$$

up to permutations of $\sigma_{i}$ 's the remainder of the $U(N)$ gauge symmetry

## Bethe equations

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$$
1=\mathfrak{q} \prod_{a=1}^{L} \frac{\sigma_{i}-\mu_{a}+u}{\sigma_{i}-\mu_{a}-u} \prod_{j \neq i} \frac{\sigma_{i}-\sigma_{j}-2 u}{\sigma_{i}-\sigma_{j}+2 u}=\exp \left(\frac{\partial \widetilde{W}}{\partial \sigma_{i}}\right)
$$

$\widetilde{W}\left(\sigma_{1}, \ldots, \sigma_{N}\right)=$ effective twisted superpotential

## one-loop exact computation!

## Baxter Q-operator

= characteristic polynomial of the adjoint Higgs

$$
Q(x)=\operatorname{Det}(x-\sigma)
$$

## Gauged linear sigma model on $T^{*} \operatorname{Gr}(N, L)$

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                low energy description of our gauge theory for r>>0
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$Q(x)[p]=c_{x}\left(\mathcal{E}_{p}\right)=$ Chern polynomial of the tautological bundle

$$
\begin{aligned}
& Q(x)[p]=x^{N}-c_{1}\left(\varepsilon_{p}\right) x^{N-1}+c_{2}\left(\mathcal{E}_{p}\right) x^{N-2}-\ldots \\
& \text { local operator } Q(x)[p], p \in \Sigma \\
& \text { in the sigma model with worldsheet } \Sigma \text {, roughly: }
\end{aligned}
$$

$$
\mathcal{E}_{p} \rightarrow \mathcal{M}, \quad \mathcal{E}_{p}=e v_{p}^{*} \mathbf{E}
$$

$\mathbf{E}=$ rk N tautological bundle over $T^{*} \operatorname{Gr}(N, L)$
$e v: \Sigma \times \mathcal{M} \longrightarrow T^{*} \operatorname{Gr}(N, L) \quad$ evaluation map

## Lift to three dimensions

$$
\Sigma \longrightarrow \mathbf{S}^{1} \times \Sigma
$$

Twisted masses $\rightarrow$ Wilson loops + real masses

$$
\mathbf{X X X} \rightarrow \mathbf{X X Z}=\text { trigonometric case }
$$

## Lift to four dimensions

$$
\Sigma \longrightarrow E \times \Sigma
$$

## Elliptic curve $E$

Twisted masses $\rightarrow$ Holomorphic $G L(L) \times \mathbb{C}^{\times}$bundle on $E$

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Twisted masses $\rightarrow$ Holomorphic $G L(L) \times \mathbb{C}^{\times}$bundle on $E$
$\mathbf{X Y Z}=$ elliptic case - anomalous when $L \neq 2 N$

## What is the meaning of $T_{\sigma}(x)$ ?

What is the meaning of $T-Q$ relations?

## Quiver gauge theory

$$
\mathcal{N}=(4,4) \text { quiver gauge theory }
$$

$$
\mathcal{N}=4 \text { softly broken down to } \mathcal{N}=2
$$

Quiver $\gamma$ with the set Vert ${ }_{\gamma}$ of vertices and the set Edge ${ }_{\gamma}$ of edges

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Quiver $\gamma$ with the set Vert of vertices and the set Edge ${ }_{\gamma}$ of edges

$$
e \in \operatorname{Edge}_{\gamma}, \quad s(e), t(e) \in \operatorname{Vert}_{\gamma}
$$

source and target

## Examples of quivers



## Apologies for notations

$$
N_{i}, L_{i}
$$

Stand both for vector spaces (colors $\mathbb{C}^{N_{i}}$ and flavors $\mathbb{C}^{L_{i}}$ ), their dimensions, sometimes characters

$$
\begin{aligned}
& N_{i} \sim \sum_{\alpha \in\left[N_{i}\right]} e^{\sigma_{i, \alpha}} \\
& L_{i} \sim \sum_{\mathfrak{f} \in\left[L_{i}\right]} e^{\mu_{i, f}} \\
& {[p]:=\{1,2, \ldots, p\} }
\end{aligned}
$$

## Gauge group

$$
G=\times_{i \in \operatorname{Vert}_{\gamma}} U\left(N_{i}\right)
$$

# Vector multiplet scalars 

$$
\Phi_{i}, \sigma_{i} \in \operatorname{Lie} G L\left(N_{i}\right)
$$

## Matter hypermultiplets

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## Matter superpotential

$$
\begin{gathered}
W=\sum_{i \in \operatorname{Vert}_{\gamma}} \operatorname{Tr}_{L_{i}}\left(\tilde{Q}_{i} \Phi_{i} Q_{i}\right)+ \\
+\sum_{e \in \operatorname{Edge}_{\gamma}} \operatorname{Tr}_{N_{s(e)}}\left(\tilde{Q}_{e} \Phi_{t(e)} Q_{e}\right)-\operatorname{Tr}_{N_{t(e)}}\left(Q_{e} \Phi_{s(e)} \tilde{Q}_{e}\right)
\end{gathered}
$$

## Matter masses, compatible with $\mathcal{N}=4$

$$
\mathfrak{M}_{i} \in \operatorname{End}\left(L_{i}\right), \quad \mu_{e} \in \mathbb{C}
$$

Twisted masses of the fundamental and the bi-fundamental hypermultiplets, respectively

$$
\left(Q_{i}, \tilde{Q}_{i}, Q_{e}, \tilde{Q}_{e}\right) \longrightarrow\left(Q_{i} e^{-\mathrm{i} \mathfrak{M} \eta_{i}}, e^{\mathrm{i} \prod_{i}} \tilde{Q}_{i}, e^{\mathrm{i} \mu_{e}} Q_{e}, e^{-\mathrm{i} \mu_{e}} \tilde{Q}_{e}\right)
$$

## Susy breaking by the twisted mass $u$

$$
\begin{gathered}
W=\sum_{i \in \operatorname{Vert}_{\gamma}} \operatorname{Tr}_{M_{i}}\left(\tilde{Q}_{i} \Phi_{i} Q_{i}\right)+ \\
+\sum_{e \in \text { Edge }_{\gamma}} \operatorname{Tr}_{N_{s(e)}}\left(\tilde{Q}_{e} \Phi_{t(e)} Q_{e}\right)-\operatorname{Tr}_{N_{t(e)}}\left(Q_{e} \Phi_{s(e)} \tilde{Q}_{e}\right)
\end{gathered}
$$

The most important $U(1)$ symmetry

$$
\left(Q_{i}, \tilde{Q}_{i}, Q_{e}, \tilde{Q}_{e}, \Phi_{i}\right) \longrightarrow\left(e^{\mathrm{i} u} Q_{i}, e^{\mathrm{i} u} \tilde{Q}_{i}, e^{\mathrm{i} u} Q_{e}, e^{\mathrm{i} u} \tilde{Q}_{e}, e^{-2 \mathrm{i} u} \Phi_{i}\right)
$$

## Integrate out massive matter

$$
\begin{gathered}
\widetilde{W}\left(\sigma_{i, \alpha}\right)= \\
\sum_{i \in \operatorname{Vert}_{\gamma}} \sum_{\alpha \in\left[N_{i}\right]}\left(\log \left(\mathfrak{q}_{i}\right) \sigma_{i, \alpha}+\sum_{\beta \in\left[N_{i}\right]} \varpi\left(-2 u+\sigma_{i, \alpha}-\sigma_{i, \beta}\right)+\right. \\
\left.+\sum_{\mathrm{f} \in\left[L_{i}\right]}\left(\varpi\left(u+\sigma_{i, \alpha}-\mu_{i, \mathrm{f}}\right)+\varpi\left(u-\sigma_{i, \alpha}+\mu_{i, \mathrm{f}}\right)\right)\right) \\
+\sum_{e \in \operatorname{Edge}_{\gamma}} \sum_{\alpha \in\left[N_{t(e)}\right]} \sum_{\beta \in\left[N_{s(e)}\right]}\left(\varpi\left(u+\mu_{e}+\sigma_{t(e), \alpha}-\sigma_{s(e), \beta}\right)\right. \\
\left.+\varpi\left(u-\mu_{e}+\sigma_{s(e), \beta}-\sigma_{t(e), \alpha}\right)\right)
\end{gathered}
$$

## Rational case

$$
\varpi(z)=z(\log (z)-1), \quad \exp \varpi^{\prime}(z)=z
$$

## Trigonometric case

$$
\begin{gathered}
\varpi_{R}(z)= \\
=R \frac{z^{2}}{2}-\log (2 R) z-\frac{1}{2 R} \operatorname{Li}_{2}\left(e^{-2 R z}\right)-\frac{\pi^{2}}{12 R}, \\
\exp \varpi_{R}^{\prime}(z)=\frac{\sinh (R z)}{R}
\end{gathered}
$$

## Elliptic case

$$
\begin{gathered}
\varpi_{R, \rho}(z)=R \frac{z^{2}}{2}-\log (2 R) z-\frac{\pi^{2}}{12 R}+ \\
+\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{2 R}\left(\operatorname{Li}_{2}\left(e^{2 \pi \mathrm{in} \rho} e^{-2 R z}\right)-\operatorname{Li}_{2}\left(e^{2 \pi \mathrm{i}(n+1) \rho} e^{2 R z}\right)\right) \\
\exp \varpi_{R, \rho}^{\prime}(z)=\frac{1}{2 \mathrm{i} R} \frac{\theta_{11}(2 \mathrm{i} R z ; \rho)}{\theta_{11}^{\prime}(0 ; \rho)}
\end{gathered}
$$

## Supersymmetric vacua of the quiver gauge theory

$$
\exp \frac{\partial \tilde{W}}{\partial \sigma_{i, \alpha}}=1, \quad i \in \operatorname{Vert}_{\gamma}, \alpha \in\left[N_{i}\right]
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Correspond to Bethe equations of a spin chain with $Y\left(\mathfrak{g}_{\gamma}\right)$ symmetry

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$$

## $q$-character formulation

$$
\exp \frac{\partial \tilde{W}}{\partial \sigma_{i, \alpha}}=1, \quad i \in \operatorname{Vert}_{\gamma}, \alpha \in\left[N_{i}\right]
$$

Can be reformulated as the system of conditions for the $q$-characters

$$
\begin{gathered}
\mathcal{T}_{i}(x):=y_{i}(x+2 u)+ \\
+\mathfrak{q}_{i} i_{i}(x) \frac{\prod_{e \in s^{-1}(i)} y_{t(e)}\left(x+\mu_{e}+u\right) \prod_{e \in t^{-1}(i)} y_{s(e)}\left(x-\mu_{e}+u\right)}{y_{i}(x)}+\ldots
\end{gathered}
$$

to have no singularities in $x$
except for the poles coming from $\ell_{i}(x)$ 's

## Partition function on $T^{2}$

$$
\begin{gathered}
\operatorname{Tr}_{\mathcal{H}_{\text {susy }}\left[\left(N_{i}\right)\right]}(-1)^{F} \exp -\sum_{k} t_{k} \mathcal{O}_{k}^{(0)} \\
\text { Bethe/gauge correspondence }
\end{gathered}
$$

## $\downarrow$

Gibbs ensemble partition function in the weight $\vec{N}$ subspace

$$
\operatorname{Tr}_{\mathcal{H}_{\mathrm{QIS}}\left[\left(N_{i}\right)\right]} \exp -\sum_{k} t_{k} \widehat{H}_{k}
$$

## Partition function on $T^{2}$

$$
\operatorname{Tr}_{\mathcal{H}_{\text {susy }}\left[\left(N_{i}\right)\right]}(-1)^{F} \exp -\sum_{k} t_{k} \mathcal{O}_{k}^{(0)} \sim \sum_{\mathrm{vac}} e^{-\sum_{k} t_{k}\left\langle\mathcal{O}_{k}\right\rangle_{\mathrm{vac}}}
$$

assuming all vacua are bosonic

## Bethe/gauge correspondence

$\downarrow$
Gibbs ensemble partition function in the weight $\vec{N}$ subspace

$$
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$$

Partition function on $T^{2}$ of the ensemble of gauge theories

$$
z=\sum_{\left(N_{i}\right)} \prod_{i} \tilde{\mathfrak{q}}_{i}^{N_{i}} \operatorname{Tr}_{\mathcal{H}_{\text {susy }}\left[\left(N_{i}\right)\right]}(-1)^{F} \exp -\sum_{k} t_{k} \mathcal{O}_{k}^{(0)}
$$

## Bethe/gauge correspondence

$\downarrow$
Toroidal Lattice model Partition function

$$
z=\operatorname{Tr}_{\mathcal{H}_{\text {QIS }}} \prod_{i} \tilde{\mathfrak{q}}_{i}^{\widehat{N}_{i}} \exp -\sum_{k} t_{k} \widehat{H}_{k}
$$

## Questions

## - Why sum over $\vec{N}$ ?

- Why choose $t_{k} \mathcal{O}_{k}$ in such a way, that

$$
\exp -\sum_{k} t_{k} \widehat{H}_{k}=\widehat{T}\left(x_{1} ; \mathfrak{q}\right) \ldots \widehat{T}\left(x_{\tilde{L}} ; \mathfrak{q}\right) ?
$$

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## $q$-characters

# $\widehat{T}(x ; \mathfrak{q})$ turns out to be a natural observable within the twisted chiral ring 

Well-behaved with respect to the
non-perturbative Dyson-Schwinger relations

## Non-perturbative Dyson-Schwinger relations



## Non-perturbative Dyson-Schwinger relations

Contributions of topologically distinct sectors to the path integral are related to each other
$\Leftrightarrow$

Analytic properties of $\langle\widehat{T}(x ; \mathfrak{q})\rangle$, e.g. no poles in $x$

## Remarks

$\downarrow$

- When the quiver $\gamma$ is one of the affine Dynkin diagrams
- Bethe equations correspond to the spin chains with Kac-Moody spin groups
- There are gauge theories corresponding to the super-Lie algebras
- For general $\gamma$ — a wild Lie algebra $\mathfrak{g}_{\gamma}$


## Remarks

What has changed compared to the old results of Nakajima et al.
Unlike simple Lie groups, Yangians, quantum affine algebras, etc. have inequivalent maximal commutative subalgebras

To see them all, we need
the q-parameters: Kähler moduli
of the two dimensional theory
not visible at the level of supersymmetric quantum mechanics!

## Remarks

Max commutative $=$ Bethe subalgebras
at the level of supersymmetric quantum mechanics, $\mathfrak{q} \rightarrow 0$
become Gelfand-Zetlin subalgebras

## Remarks

The original formulation of Bethe/gauge correspondence
mostly concerned with the commutative (quantum integrals) subalgebra

The non-abelian structure provides rigidity and offers an exciting perspective
on the string landscape of vacua

## Remarks

The original formulation of Bethe/gauge correspondence:

The non-abelian structure comes from domain walls

## viewed as operators in the spirit of S-branes

## Remarks

## Recent progress:

The non-abelian structure, i.e. $R$-matrices
can be understood mathematically using the stable envelope basis

## Questions

If one replaces the $R$-matrices with spectral parameters by the $R$-matrices without (finite quantum group $U_{q}(\mathfrak{g})$ ), one can describe the lattice model using
Chern-Simons theory with gauge group $G$ in three dimensions

$$
S_{C S}=\frac{k}{4 \pi} \int \operatorname{Tr}\left(A d A+\frac{2}{3} A^{3}\right)
$$

- How to introduce the spectral parameter into Chern-Simons theory?


## Cohomological field theory perspective

Start with CohFT with the moduli space $\mathcal{M}$ of solutions

## Fields/Equations/Symmetries paradigm: <br> $d$-dimensional fields

$$
Q^{2}=0
$$

Correlations functions: integrals of products of cohomology classes of $\mathcal{M}$

$$
\left\langle\mathcal{O}_{1} \ldots \mathcal{O}_{p}\right\rangle^{d} \sim \int_{\mathcal{M}} \Omega_{1} \wedge \ldots \wedge \Omega_{p}
$$

$$
\left\{Q, \mathcal{O}_{i}\right\}=0, \quad \mathcal{O}_{i} \leftrightarrow \Omega_{i}, \quad d \Omega_{i}=0
$$

## Loop upgrade

Oxidation of cohomological field theory:
make fields $t$-dependent
$K$-theory of $\mathcal{M}$
Fields/Equations/Symmetries paradigm:
loop space, i.e. $d+1$-dimensional fields
Correlations functions: pushforwards of $K$-theory classes of $\mathcal{M}$

$$
\begin{gathered}
\mathbb{Q}^{2}=\partial_{t} \\
\left\langle\mathcal{O}_{1} \ldots \mathcal{O}_{p}\right\rangle^{d+1} \sim \int_{\mathcal{M}} \widehat{A}(\mathcal{M}) \wedge \Omega_{1} \wedge \ldots \wedge \Omega_{p}
\end{gathered}
$$

## Double Loop upgrade

NN, PhD. thesis, 1996
Baulieu, NN, Losev, 1997
Costello, 2013
Oxidation of cohomological field theory: make fields $z, \bar{z}$-dependent Ell-cohomology of $\mathcal{M}$
Fields/Equations/Symmetries paradigm: double loop space, i.e. $d+2$-dimensional fields
Correlations functions: pushforwards in elliptic cohomology of $\mathcal{M}$

$$
Q^{2}=\partial_{\bar{z}}
$$

$$
\left\langle\mathcal{O}_{1} \ldots \mathcal{O}_{p}\right\rangle^{d+2} \sim \int_{\mathcal{M}} \widehat{E} l l(\mathcal{M}) \wedge \Omega_{1} \wedge \ldots \wedge \Omega_{p}
$$

## 3d CS = loop upgrade of 2d YM

$$
\mathcal{M}=\text { moduli space of } G-\text { flat connections on } \Sigma
$$

$\mathcal{N}=2 d=2$ super-Yang-Mills theory, twisted version

$$
Q A=\Psi, Q \Psi=D_{A} \sigma, Q \sigma=0
$$

$$
\mathcal{Q} \chi=H, Q H=[\sigma, \chi], Q \bar{\sigma}=\eta, Q \eta=[\sigma, \bar{\sigma}]
$$

## Review of the cohomological field theory on

$$
\mathcal{M}=\text { moduli space of } G-\text { flat connections on } \Sigma
$$

$\mathcal{N}=2 d=2$ super-Yang-Mills theory, twisted version

$$
\begin{gathered}
2 A=\psi, Q \psi=D_{A} \sigma, 2 \sigma=0 \\
2 \chi=H, Q H=[\sigma, \chi], Q \bar{\sigma}=\eta, Q \eta=[\sigma, \bar{\sigma}] \\
S_{0}=Q \int_{\Sigma} \operatorname{Tr}\left(\chi\left(\mathrm{i} F_{A}-g_{\mathrm{YM}}^{2} \star H\right)+\psi \wedge \star D_{A} \bar{\sigma}+\eta[\sigma, \bar{\sigma}]\right) \\
\uparrow \\
\text { Bare action }
\end{gathered}
$$

## Review of 2d YM as deformation of SYM

$$
\mathcal{M}=\text { moduli space of } G-\text { flat connections on } \Sigma
$$

$\mathcal{N}=2 d=2$ super-Yang-Mills theory, twisted version

$$
S_{0}+\mathrm{i} \kappa \int_{\Sigma} \operatorname{Tr}\left(\sigma F_{A}+\frac{1}{2} \psi \wedge \psi\right)
$$

$\uparrow$
2-observable, viewed as deformation of the action Twisted $F$-term in the physical theory, $\widetilde{W}=\frac{\kappa}{2} \operatorname{Tr} \sigma^{2}$

## Review of 2d YM

$\mathcal{N}=2 d=2$ super-Yang-Mills theory, twisted version

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$$
\text { Twisted } \bar{F} \text {-term, } \widetilde{W}^{*}=\frac{\bar{\kappa}}{2} \operatorname{Tr} \bar{\sigma}^{2}
$$ shifts the action by the $Q$-exact term

$$
+\mathrm{i} \bar{\kappa} \int_{\Sigma} \operatorname{Tr}(\bar{\sigma} H+\eta \chi)
$$

## Review of 2d YM

## Take the limit $\bar{\kappa} \rightarrow \infty$

$$
\mathrm{i} \bar{\kappa} \int_{\Sigma} \operatorname{Tr}(\bar{\sigma} H+\eta \chi)
$$

The quartet $\bar{\sigma}, H, \eta, \chi$ decouples: and we are left with $A, \psi, \sigma$

$$
Q A=\psi, Q \psi=D_{A} \sigma, Q \sigma=0
$$

$$
S=\mathrm{i} \kappa \int_{\Sigma} \operatorname{Tr}\left(\begin{array}{c} 
\\
\uparrow
\end{array}\right.
$$

2-observable, becomes the action
Add 0-observable $t \operatorname{Tr} \sigma^{2} \Longrightarrow$ 2d Yang-Mills theory

## Loop upgrade

$$
\begin{gathered}
S=\mathrm{i} \kappa \int_{\Sigma} \operatorname{Tr}\left(\sigma F_{A}+\frac{1}{2} \psi \wedge \psi\right) \\
\downarrow \\
S_{C S}=\frac{k}{4 \pi} \int_{\Sigma \times \mathbb{S}^{1}} \operatorname{Tr}\left(A d A+\frac{2}{3} A^{3}+\psi \psi\right)
\end{gathered}
$$

## Double Loop upgrade

NN, PhD. thesis 1996, proposed to explain the representation theory of quantum affine algebras

$$
\begin{gathered}
S=\mathrm{i} \kappa \int_{\Sigma} \operatorname{Tr}\left(\sigma F_{A}+\frac{1}{2} \psi \wedge \psi\right) \\
\downarrow \\
S_{4 d C S}=\kappa \int_{\Sigma \times E} d z \wedge \operatorname{Tr}\left(A d A+\frac{2}{3} A^{3}+\psi \psi\right)
\end{gathered}
$$

where $d z$ is a holomorphic one-differential on $E$ : an elliptic curve, a cylinder, or a plane

## Susy of the Double Loop upgrade

$$
S_{4 d C S}=\kappa \int_{\Sigma \times E} d z \wedge \operatorname{Tr}\left(A d A+\frac{2}{3} A^{3}+\psi \psi\right)
$$

is $Q$-invariant, with

$$
\begin{aligned}
& \mathcal{Q} A_{m}=\psi_{m}, \mathcal{Q} \psi_{m}=F_{m \bar{z}}, \mathcal{Q} A_{\bar{z}}=0 \\
& \mathcal{Q} A_{z}=\eta, \quad \Omega \eta=F_{z \bar{z}}, \\
& \Omega \chi=H, \Omega H=D_{\bar{z} \chi}
\end{aligned}
$$

$$
m=1,2 \longrightarrow \text { coordinates on } \Sigma
$$

## Anomaly of the Double Loop upgrade

$$
S_{4 d C S}=\kappa \int_{\Sigma \times E} d z \wedge \operatorname{Tr}\left(A d A+\frac{2}{3} A^{3}+\psi \psi\right)
$$

when $E$ is an elliptic curve, is not gauge invariant

$$
S_{4 d C S} \longrightarrow S_{4 d C S}+\kappa \int_{\Sigma \times E} d z \wedge \text { integral } 3-\text { form }
$$

under large gauge transformations

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under large gauge transformations, incommensurate periods...

## Double Loop upgrade of $\mathcal{N}=4 d=4$ theory

$$
S_{4 d C S}=\kappa \int_{\Sigma \times E} d z \wedge \operatorname{Tr}\left(A d A+\frac{2}{3} A^{3}+\psi \psi\right)
$$

when $E$ is an elliptic curve, is not gauge invariant

$$
S_{4 d C S} \longrightarrow S_{4 d C S}+\kappa \int_{\Sigma \times E} d z \wedge \text { integral } 3-\text { form }
$$

under large gauge transformations: incommensurate periods...

## String theory realization

# String theory realization 

Various puzzles will be resolved

Different approaches will be connected

## String theory realization

IIB string on $A L E \times \mathbb{R}^{2} \times E \times T^{2}$


## String theory realization

IIB string on $\left(A L E \times \mathbb{R}^{2}\right) \tilde{\times}_{u} E \times T^{2}$


## String theory realization

IIB string on $\left(\mathrm{ALE} \times \mathbb{R}^{2}\right) \tilde{\times}_{u} E \times T^{2}$


ALE with $\zeta_{i}^{\mathbb{C}}=0 \Longrightarrow U(1)$-isometry
ALE is twisted with a line bundle $\mathcal{L}_{u}$ over $E$ $\mathbb{R}^{2}$ is twisted with a line bundle $\mathcal{L}_{u}^{-2}$ over $E$

## String theory realization of our gauge theory

IIB string on $\left(\mathrm{ALE} \times \mathbb{R}^{2}\right) \tilde{\times}_{u} E \times T^{2}$


## String theory realization of our gauge theory

IIB string on $\left(\mathrm{ALE} \times \mathbb{R}^{2}\right) \tilde{\times}_{u} E \times T^{2}$
with $L D 7$-branes on ALE $\times E \times T^{2}$
with $N D 3$-branes on $E \times T^{2}$
with $K D 1$-branes on $E$


# String theory realization of our gauge theory 

> IIB string on $\left(\mathrm{ALE} \times \mathbb{R}^{2}\right) \tilde{x}_{u} E \times T^{2}$ with $L D 7$-branes on ALE $\times E \times T^{2}$
> with $N D 3$-branes on $E \times T^{2}$
> with $K D 1$-branes on $E$

Fractionalization: $(L, N, K) \longrightarrow\left(L_{i}, N_{i}, K_{i}\right)$
Compact branes to be summed over

## String theory realization of the $q$-character

IIB string on ( $\mathrm{ALE} \times \mathbb{R}^{2}$ ) $\tilde{x}_{u} E \times T^{2}$ with fractional $D 7, D 3, D 1$-branes and $D 5$-branes in addition


## String theory realization of the $q$-character

IIB string on $\left(\mathrm{ALE} \times \mathbb{R}^{2}\right) \tilde{x}_{u} E \times T^{2}$ with $L D 7$-branes on ALE $\times E \times T^{2}$<br>with $N D 3$-branes on $E \times T^{2}$<br>with $K D 1$-branes on $E$<br>with $\tilde{L} D 5$-branes on ALE $\times E$

# String theory realization of the $q$-character 

with $N D 3$-branes on $E \times T^{2}$

with $\tilde{L} D 5$-branes on ALE $\times E$

This is similar to the construction of crossed instantons
$q q$-character and $q$-character observables in 4d and 5d supersymmetric gauge theories

# String theory realization 

Now we shall get a $6 d$-ish version
of Chern-Simons theory, dual
to the collection of quiver gauge theories

## String theory realization

Now we shall get a 6d-ish version of CS theory
using T-dual string background(s)

## $T$-dual description: electric frame

T-duality along $E$ and one of the circles in $T^{2}$
IIA string on ALE $\times \mathbb{R}^{2} \times \check{E} \times \check{S}^{1} \times S^{1}$
with fractional $D$-branes


## $T$-dual description: magnetic frame

T-dualize one of the circles in $T^{2}$
IIA string on ALE $\times \mathbb{R}^{2} \times E \times \check{S}^{1} \times S^{1}$
with fractional $D$-branes


## Six dimensional super-Yang-Mills

Witten; Strominger; Greene, Morrison, Strominger; Bershadsky, Sadov, Vafa, 1995


## Six dimensional super-Yang-Mills: electric frame

## IIA string on ALE $\times \mathbb{R}^{2} \times \check{E} \times \check{S}^{1} \times S^{1}$

with fractional $D$-branes $\Longrightarrow$ electric sources


## Six dimensional super-Yang-Mills: magnetic frame

$$
\text { IIA string on ALE } \times \mathbb{R}^{2} \times E \times \check{S}^{1} \times S^{1}
$$

with fractional $D$-branes $\Longrightarrow$ magnetic sources

Twist by $\mathcal{L}_{u} \Longrightarrow 6 \mathrm{~d} \Omega$-deformation of SYM

## Six dimensional super-Yang-Mills: magnetic frame

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## Six dimensional super-Yang-Mills: electric frame

IIA string on ALE $\times \mathbb{R}^{2} \times \check{E} \times \check{S}^{1} \times S^{1}$<br>with fractional $D$-branes $\Longrightarrow$ electric sources

Twist by $\mathcal{L}_{u}$ upon $T$-duality on $E$
produces the Neveu-Schwarz $B$-field, with $H=d B \neq 0$

## Six dimensional Chern-Simons theory

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$$

with electric sources
with the Neveu-Schwarz $B$-field, with $H=d B \neq 0 \Longrightarrow$

$$
\int_{\mathbb{R}^{2} \times \check{E} \times \check{S}^{1} \times S^{1}} H \wedge C S(A)
$$

from the $\int C \wedge G \wedge G$ Chern-Simons term in 11d

## Four dimensional Chern-Simons theory

$$
\text { IIA string on ALE } \times \mathbb{R}^{2} \times \check{E} \times \check{S}^{1} \times S^{1}
$$

Neveu-Schwarz $B$-field, so that $H=d B \neq 0$

$$
\int_{\mathbb{R}^{2}} H \sim \operatorname{Re} \frac{d z}{u}
$$

Supersymmetric localization $\Longrightarrow$

$$
\int_{\mathbb{R}^{2} \times \check{E} \times \check{S}^{1} \times S^{1}} H \wedge C S(A)=\frac{1}{u} \int_{\check{E} \times \check{S}^{1} \times S^{1}} d z \wedge C S(\mathcal{A})
$$

Up to $Q$-exact terms, $\mathcal{A}=A+\mathrm{i}(\ldots)$

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## Line operators



## Line operators and instanton moduli



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## String exchanges between line operators



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## Gluon exchanges between $\widehat{\text { Wilson }}$ loops



## $\widehat{\text { Wilson }}$ loop $=$ Wilson loop with a hat

$$
\widehat{W}_{R_{\widehat{\lambda}}}[C, q]=\operatorname{Tr}_{R_{\widehat{\lambda}}}\left(q^{L_{0}} P \exp \oint_{C} A\right)
$$

for the highest weight representation $R_{\widehat{\lambda}}$ of $\widehat{G_{\Gamma}}$ Kac-Moody group

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$$

Can be expanded in ordinary $G_{\Gamma}$ - Wilson loops,
with higher spin representations suppressed by powers of $q$

## Dictionary

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$$
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$$

respectively, with $\varpi_{i}$ being the fundamental weights of $\widehat{\mathfrak{g}_{\Gamma}}$

## Dictionary: weight subspaces

$$
R_{\widehat{\lambda}}=\bigoplus_{\widehat{w}} R_{\widehat{\lambda}}^{\widehat{w}}
$$

In our story, the two weight subspaces we encounter correspond to

$$
\widehat{w}=\sum_{i=0}^{r} L_{i} \varpi_{i}-N_{i} \alpha_{i}, \quad \text { and } \quad \widehat{w}=\sum_{i=0}^{r} \tilde{L}_{i} \varpi_{i}-\tilde{N}_{i} \alpha_{i}
$$

respectively, with $\tilde{N}_{i}=K_{i}$, and $\alpha_{i}$ being the simple roots of $\widehat{\mathfrak{g}_{\Gamma}}$

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Can be fixed in the six-dimensional setup (in 4d problematic)

## Virasoro

$\mathfrak{q}_{i}$ and $\tilde{\mathfrak{q}}_{i} \leftrightarrow$ flat $G_{\Gamma}^{\mathbb{C}}$-connection on $\check{S}^{1} \times S^{1}$
and the parameters $q$ and $\tilde{q}$ of the $\widehat{\text { Wilson }}$ loop operators

$$
q=\prod_{i \in \operatorname{Vert}_{\gamma}} \mathfrak{q}_{i}^{a_{i}}, \quad \tilde{q}=\prod_{i \in \operatorname{Vert}_{\gamma}} \tilde{\mathfrak{q}}_{i}^{a_{i}}
$$

In string theory:

$$
q=\exp -\frac{L_{\breve{S}^{1}} M_{s}}{g_{s}}+\mathrm{i} \int_{\check{S}^{1}} C_{(1)}, \quad \tilde{q}=\exp -\frac{L_{S^{1}} M_{s}}{g_{s}}+\mathrm{i} \int_{S^{1}} C_{(1)}
$$

$C_{(1)}=$ Background IIA Ramond-Ramond $U(1)$ flat gauge field on $\check{S}^{1} \times S^{1}$

## Virasoro and M-theory

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and the parameters $q$ and $\tilde{q}$ of the Wilson loop operators

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$$

Lift to M-theory: line operators become M5 branes
wrapped on ALE $\times\left(\check{S}^{1}\right.$ or $\left.S^{1}\right) \times S_{10}^{1}$, respectively
$q, \tilde{q}$ - elliptic curve nodes for $\left(\check{S}^{1}\right.$ or $\left.S^{1}\right) \times S_{10}^{1}$

## Little strings

Berkooz, Rosali, Seiberg; Seiberg 1997
Losev, Moore, Shatashvili 1997
Reviews Aharony 1999; Kutasov 2001
in BPS/CFT context, (2,0) version, Aganagic, Haouzi, 2016
Take the limit $g_{s} \rightarrow 0$, keeping $M_{s}$ finite: $q, \tilde{q} \rightarrow 0$
The Wilson loop operator becomes the ordinary one
Decouple one of the nodes, e.g. the affine one

$$
\begin{gathered}
\widehat{\mathfrak{g}_{\Gamma}} \rightarrow \mathfrak{g}_{\Gamma}, \mathfrak{q}_{0} \rightarrow 0, \tilde{\mathfrak{q}}_{0} \rightarrow 0 \\
L_{0}=K_{0}=0=\tilde{L}_{0}=N_{0}
\end{gathered}
$$

## In lieu of conclusions

The Chern-Simons $\int d z \wedge C S(A)$ approach to quantum groups has the advantage of making the group whose quantum deformation one is seeking, visible in the structure of sources

## Seems problematic for groups outside the ADE (BCFG) classification

Bethe/gauge correspondence does not have the explicit $G_{\Gamma}$ symmetry but is more general (covers all quivers and also super-algebras)

Lots of things to learn and understand better...

## One wild speculation

## Naively, to describe affine quiver theories

One would attempt to study the $L G_{\Gamma}$, or $\widehat{G_{\Gamma}}$ gauge theory
One additional dimension: 7d theory? natural in M-theory on ALE
However, we learned: $U(1)_{L_{0}} \subset \widehat{G_{\Gamma}}$ is the $10 \mathrm{~d} \operatorname{RR} U(1)$ gauge field

Perhaps we'll learn about the origin of the (12d?) $E_{8}$ gauge field
Hořava, Witten 1996; Witten 1997; Diaconescu, Moore, Witten 2000

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## THANK YOU

