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- The same result can be recovered from matrix models evaluating

$$<\frac{1}{N}\mathrm{tr}e^{M}>=\frac{1}{Z}\int\mathcal{D}M\frac{1}{N}\mathrm{tr}e^{M}e^{-\frac{2N}{\lambda}\mathrm{tr}M^{2}}$$



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 - For complex manifolds the contributions of different patches are multiplied



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- Localization is based on an equivariant extension of the original theory
- Introducing $\Omega = \begin{pmatrix} \epsilon_1 \sigma_1 & 0 \\ 0 & \epsilon_2 \sigma_1 \end{pmatrix}$ the original N = 2 SUSY theory gets deformed
- The e.o.m. for the scalar field becomes $D^2 \varphi = \Omega_{\mu\nu} F^{\mu\nu} + \text{ferm.}$ and the zero modes

$$\nabla_{[\mu} Z^{a}_{\nu]} = (\nabla_{[\mu} Z^{a}_{\nu]})^{\text{dual}} \quad \nabla^{\mu} Z^{a}_{\mu} = 0$$

lead to $Z_{\mu} = D_{\mu}\varphi - \Omega_{\lambda}^{\nu}x^{\lambda}F_{\nu\mu}$ from which $\tilde{\varphi} = \varphi + \delta x^{\mu}A_{\mu}$



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- Furthermore the moduli space of the solutions needs to be compactified and made smooth. This makes the theory non commutative
- In turn the scalar field in ADHM is $\tilde{\varphi} = \bar{U}\delta U$ where the space spanned from U is isomorphic to the ideal $\mathcal{I} = \{z_1^{k-1}z_2^{l-1}|k, l \neq Y\}$

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• The eigenvalues of U can now be computed $\Rightarrow \lambda_{k,l} = a_u + (k-1)\epsilon_1 + (l-1)\epsilon_2$ and the character

$$\operatorname{tr} e^{z\lambda} \Big|_{Y} = \mathcal{V} \sum_{u=1}^{N} \sum_{(k,l) \notin Y_{u}} e^{z\chi_{(k,l)}}$$
$$= \sum_{u} \left(e^{za_{u}} - (1 - e^{z\epsilon_{1}})(1 - e^{z\epsilon_{2}}) \sum_{(i,j) \in Y_{u}} e^{z\lambda_{(i,j)}} \right)$$

• An interesting way to think of $\tilde{\varphi}$ is to define $\mathcal{F} = \tilde{\varphi} + \lambda + F$ and $\Phi = \tilde{\varphi} + \lambda_m \theta^m + \frac{1}{2} F_{mn} \theta^m \theta^n + \dots$



Back to WL

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- Let $z_{\ell}(s) = r_{\ell}e^{i\epsilon_{\ell}s}$ and $\delta z_{\ell} = \dot{z}_{\ell} = i\epsilon_{\ell}e^{i\epsilon_{\ell}s}$. If $x^m = (z_1, z_2, \bar{z}_1, \bar{z}_2)$ then $1 = |\dot{x}| = \epsilon_1|r_1|^2 + \epsilon_2|r_2|^2$
- Then the WL is

$$\mathcal{C} = i \int_0^L (A_m \dot{x}^m + |\dot{x}|\varphi_1) ds = \frac{i}{2} \int_0^L \tilde{\varphi}(s) ds - h.c.$$

• The path is closed for $L = 2\pi n_1/\epsilon_1 = 2\pi n_2/\epsilon_2$ and $\epsilon_1/\epsilon_2 = n_1/n_2$. Therefore $\sum_u e^{\frac{2\pi i n_1}{\epsilon_1}\tilde{\varphi}_u}\Big|_Y = \sum_u e^{\frac{2\pi i n_1}{\epsilon_1}a_u}$

$$\langle \operatorname{tr} W \rangle_{S^4} = \frac{1}{Z} \int_{\gamma} d^N a \operatorname{tr} e^{\frac{2\pi i n_1 a}{\epsilon_1}} |Z_{\mathrm{one-loop}}(a) Z_{\mathrm{inst}}(a, \vec{\tau})|^2$$



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• It is now natural to introduce a deformed $N = 2^*$ given by $S_{\text{class}} = \int d^4 d^4 \theta \, \mathcal{F}_{\text{class}}(\Phi) + \text{h.c.}$ where only the scalar in Φ gets a v.e.v. with

$$\mathcal{F}_{ ext{class}}(\Phi) = \sum_{J=2}^{p} rac{\mathrm{i} au_J}{2\pi J!} \operatorname{tr} \Phi^J$$

• The partition function thus defined is the generating function of $\langle \operatorname{tr} \tilde{\varphi}^{J_1} \operatorname{tr} \tilde{\varphi}^{J_2} \ldots \rangle_{\mathrm{undeformed}}$ given that

$$rac{1}{J!} \langle \mathrm{tr}\, ilde{arphi}^J
angle = rac{\mathrm{i}\epsilon_1\epsilon_2}{2\pi}\, \partial_{ au_J} \ln Z(ec{ au})$$



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• In the limit $m = \epsilon_1$ we go back to a N = 4 theory with potential $V(a, \vec{\tau}) = \frac{4\pi}{\epsilon_1 \epsilon_2 N} \sum_{J=2}^{P} \frac{\tau_J}{J!} \text{tr} a^J$

$$\langle W \rangle = \int d^N a \Delta(a) \mathrm{tr} e^{\mathrm{i} a} e^{-NV(a, \vec{\tau})}$$

• Computations can be easily carried out in particular cases. In presence of a quartic terms $g_4 a^4$ one gets

$$W = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \left\langle \frac{\operatorname{tr} a^{2n}}{(2n)!} \right\rangle = 1 + \sum_{n,k} \frac{(-12g_4\lambda)^k \lambda^n (2k+n-1)!}{n!(n-1)!k!(k+n+1)!}$$
$$= 1 + \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{\lambda (-12\lambda^2 g_4)^k (2k)!_1 F_2 (2,k+3;2k+1;\lambda)}{k! (k+2)!}$$



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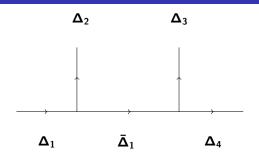
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A correlator (Φ(z₁, z
₁)Φ(z₂, z
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₄)) gets contributions from the conformal blocks which are holomorphic

$$Z=1+\sum_k q^k Z_k=(1-q)^{\Delta(lpha_2)}(1+\sum_k q^k \mathcal{F}_k(q|\Delta_i))$$



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• A basis $|P\rangle_{\vec{\lambda}}=\sum_{|\vec{\mu}|=|\vec{\lambda}|}C^{\mu_1,\mu_2}_{\vec{\lambda}}a_{-\mu_1}L_{-\mu_2}|P\rangle$ can be defined such that

$$egin{aligned} &Z_k pprox \sum_{ec{\lambda}} {}_{\emptyset} \langle P | \mathcal{V}_{lpha_2} | P'
angle_{ec{\lambda}} {}_{ec{\lambda}} \langle P' | \mathcal{V}_{lpha_3} | P
angle_{\emptyset} \ &= \langle 0 | \mathcal{V}_{lpha_1}(\infty) \mathcal{V}_{lpha_2}(1) \mathcal{V}_{lpha_3}(q) \mathcal{V}_{lpha_4}(0) |
angle \end{aligned}$$



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• It also happens that the states $|P\rangle_{\vec{\lambda}}$ are the eigenstates for the system of mutually commuting integrals of motions

$$l_2 = L_0 - \frac{c}{24} + 2\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} a_{-k} a_k$$

$$I_{3} = \sum_{k \neq 0} a_{-k} L_{k} + 2iQ \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} ka_{-k} a_{k} + \frac{1}{3} \sum_{i,j} a_{i}a_{j} a_{-i-j}$$
$$I_{4} = 2 \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} L_{-k} L_{k} + L_{0}^{2} - \frac{c+2}{12} + 6 \sum_{i+j \neq 0} L_{-i-j} a_{i}a_{j} + \frac{1}{3} \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} L_{-k} L_{k} + L_{0}^{2} - \frac{c+2}{12} + 6 \sum_{i+j \neq 0} L_{-i-j} a_{i}a_{j} + \frac{1}{3} \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} L_{-k} L_{k} + L_{0}^{2} - \frac{c+2}{12} + 6 \sum_{i+j \neq 0} L_{-i-j}a_{i}a_{j} + \frac{1}{3} \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} L_{-k} L_{k} + L_{0}^{2} - \frac{c+2}{12} + 6 \sum_{i+j \neq 0} L_{-i-j}a_{i}a_{j} + \frac{1}{3} \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} L_{-k} L_{k} + L_{0}^{2} - \frac{c+2}{12} + 6 \sum_{i+j \neq 0} L_{-i-j}a_{i}a_{j} + \frac{1}{3} \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} L_{-k} L_{k} + L_{0}^{2} - \frac{c+2}{12} + 6 \sum_{i+j \neq 0} L_{-i-j}a_{i}a_{j} + \frac{1}{3} \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} L_{-k} L_{k} + L_{0}^{2} - \frac{c+2}{12} + 6 \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} L_{-k} L_{k} + L_{0}^{2} - \frac{c+2}{12} + 6 \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} L_{-k} L_{k} + L_{0}^{2} - \frac{c+2}{12} + 6 \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} L_{-k} L_{k} + L_{0}^{2} - \frac{c+2}{12} + 6 \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} L_{-k} L_{k} + L_{0}^{2} - \frac{c+2}{12} + 6 \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} L_{-k} L_{k} + L_{0}^{2} - \frac{c+2}{12} + 6 \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} L_{-k} L_{k} + L_{0}^{2} - \frac{c+2}{12} + 6 \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} L_{-k} L_{k} + L_{0}^{2} - \frac{c+2}{12} + 6 \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} L_{-k} L_{k} + L_{0}^{2} - \frac{c+2}{12} + 6 \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} L_{-k} L_{k} + L_{0}^{2} - \frac{c+2}{12} + 6 \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} L_{0} + \frac{c+2}{12} + \frac{c+2}{$$

$$12(L_{0} - \frac{c}{24}) \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} a_{-k} a_{k} 6iQ \sum_{k \neq 0} |k| a_{-k} L_{k} + 2(1 - 5Q^{2})$$
$$\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} k^{2} a_{-k} a_{k} + 6iQ \sum_{i,j}^{\infty} |i| a_{i} a_{j} a_{-i-j} + \sum_{i,j,k}^{\infty} : a_{i} a_{j} a_{k} a_{-i-j-k} :$$



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- This is no surprise since the basis $|P\rangle_{\vec{\lambda}}$ can be written in terms of generalized Jack polynomials
- In turn these Jack polynomials are the eigenfunctions of the hamiltonian of the Calogero-Sutherland model
- This is an aspect of a correspondence between the Hilbert schemes of n points introduced before and Jack poly. The number n = n₁ + ... n_k can be partitioned and corresponds to the element p_{n1}p_{n2}... p_{nk} ∈ C[p₁, p₂,...] The cohomological degree is deg(p_k) = 2(k 1). Ex.Hilb₄ ⇒ H⁶(Hilb₄) = 1, H⁴(Hilb₄) = 2, H²(Hilb₄) = 1, H⁰(Hilb₄) = 1
 - $(4,0,0,0) \Longrightarrow \deg(p_4) = 6; (3,1,0,0) \Longrightarrow \deg(p_3p_1) = 4$ $(2,2,0,0) \Longrightarrow \deg(p_2^2) = 4; (2,1,1,0) \Longrightarrow \deg(p_2p_1^2) = 4$ $(1,1,1,1) \Longrightarrow \deg(p_1^4) = 0$



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• The eigenvalues are exactly those of ${\rm tr}\varphi^J.$ We then computed

 $\mathcal{G}_n(lpha_i|q)\langle 0|\mathcal{V}_{lpha_1}(\infty)\mathcal{V}_{lpha_2}(1)I_n\mathcal{V}_{lpha_3}(q)\mathcal{V}_{lpha_4}(0)|
angle$

to find

$$\mathcal{G}_n(\alpha_i, \alpha | q) = \mathcal{L}_n \mathcal{G}(\alpha_i, \alpha | q)$$

• The \mathcal{L}_n are given by

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{L}_2 = &z\partial_z - \Delta - \frac{c}{24} \\ \mathcal{L}_3 = &\frac{z}{1-z} \left[(Q + \alpha_2 - \alpha_3) z \, \partial_z + (Q - \alpha_3) (\Delta + \Delta_2 - \Delta_1) \right. \\ &\left. - 2\alpha_2 (Q - \alpha_3)^2 + \alpha_2 (\Delta - \Delta_3 - \Delta_4) \right] \end{aligned}$$



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• Using the gauge theory/CFT dictionary

$$\begin{aligned} \alpha_1 &= \frac{\epsilon}{2} + \frac{1}{2}(m_1 - m_2) & \alpha_2 &= -\frac{1}{2}(m_1 + m_2) \\ \alpha_3 &= \epsilon - \frac{1}{2}(m_1 + m_2) & \alpha_4 &= \frac{\epsilon}{2} + \frac{1}{2}(m_1 - m_2) \\ \alpha &= \frac{\epsilon}{2} + a & \epsilon &= \epsilon_1 + \epsilon_2 = Q & \epsilon_1 &= b^{-1} & \epsilon_2 &= b \end{aligned}$$

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• We finally find (M_i are Casimirs) $\langle \operatorname{tr} \tilde{\varphi}^2 \rangle = -2\epsilon_1 \epsilon_2 q \partial_q \ln Z$ $\langle \operatorname{tr} \tilde{\varphi}^3 \rangle = \frac{3q}{1-q} \left(-\frac{M_1}{2} \langle \operatorname{tr} \tilde{\varphi}^2 \rangle + M_3 \right)$ $\langle \operatorname{tr} \tilde{\varphi}^4 \rangle = \frac{1+q}{2(1-q)} \langle \operatorname{tr} \tilde{\varphi}^2 \rangle^2 + \left[2a^2 + \epsilon_1 \epsilon_2 - 2q^2 \left(\frac{\epsilon_1 \epsilon_2}{2} - a^2 - M_2 + M_1^2 \right) + 2q(\epsilon M_1 + M_2) \right] \langle \operatorname{tr} \tilde{\varphi}^2 \rangle + \frac{4q}{(1-q)^2} [a^4 + a^2(\epsilon M_1 + M_2)] + \epsilon M_3 + M_4 - q(a^4 - a^2(M_1^2 - M_2) - M_1 M_3 + M_4)]$

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• Given the localization formula

$$Z_{\mathrm{inst}} = \sum_{Y} q^{|Y|} \prod_{u,v=1}^{N} rac{Z_{\emptyset,Y_v}(ar{m}_u - a_v) Z_{Y_u,\emptyset}(a_u - m_v)}{Z_{Y_u,Y_v}(a_u - a_v)}$$

where

$$Z_{\emptyset,Y_{v}}(\bar{m}_{u}-a_{v}) = \prod_{(i,j)\in Y_{v}}(\bar{m}_{u}-a_{v}-\epsilon_{1}(i-1)-\epsilon_{2}(j-1))$$
$$Z_{Y_{u},\emptyset}(a_{u}-m_{v}) = \prod_{(i,j)\in Y_{u}}(a_{u}-m_{v}+\epsilon_{1}i+\epsilon_{2}j)$$

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• It is easy to realize that these functions are zero for $m_u = a_u + p_u \epsilon_1 + q_u \epsilon_2$ or $\bar{m}_u = a_u + (p_u - 1)\epsilon_1 + (q_u - 1)\epsilon_2$



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• In particular for the choice $m_u = a_u + \epsilon + \epsilon_2$ one gets

$$Z_{\text{inst}} = {}_{N}F_{N-1}({}_{\mathbf{B}}^{\mathbf{A}}|q)$$

where

$$\mathbf{A}_{v} = \frac{a_{1} - \bar{m}_{v}}{\epsilon_{1}} = \frac{m_{1} - \bar{m}_{v} - 2\epsilon_{2}}{\epsilon_{1}} - 1 \qquad v = 1, \dots N$$
$$\mathbf{B}_{v} = \frac{a_{1} - a_{v} + \epsilon_{2}}{\epsilon_{1}} + 1 = \frac{m_{1} - m_{v}}{\epsilon_{1}} + 1 \qquad v = 2, \dots N$$

• On the AGT side this corresponds to degenerated primary fields ϕ_{nm} leading to null states $L_{nm}\phi_{nm}$



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• Given our previous choice $n_1 = -\ell p$, $n_2 = \ell q$ we get $\epsilon_1/\epsilon_2 = -p/q$ the central charges

$$c=1-\frac{6(p-q)^2}{pq}$$

and the dimension $\Delta_{n,m} = \alpha_{n,m}(Q - \alpha_{n,m})$ of the primary fields of the minimal models with Q = b + 1/b, $b = i\sqrt{p/q}$ and

$$\alpha_{n,m} = b\frac{1-n}{2} + \frac{1-m}{2b}$$

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• The vev a=Q/2-lpha and the correlators follow



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- In the SW theory a crucial role is played by $u_l = \text{tr}\varphi^l = P(\text{tr}\varphi, \dots, \text{tr}\varphi^N)$ for l > N and SU(N). $\text{Ex.tr}\varphi^3 = (\text{tr}\varphi)^3 - 3/2\text{tr}\varphi[(\text{tr}\varphi)^2 - \text{tr}\varphi^2]$
- Given $P_N(z) = \det(z \varphi)$ then classically

$$\mathrm{tr}rac{1}{z-arphi}=rac{P_N'(z)}{P_N(z)}$$

• At the quantum level using the Konishi anomaly we get (for SU(2), $P(z) = (z^2 - a^2)$

$$\langle \operatorname{tr} \frac{1}{z - \varphi} \rangle = \frac{1}{z} + \frac{\operatorname{tr} \varphi^2}{z^3} + \frac{\operatorname{tr} \varphi^4}{z^5} + \dots = \frac{P'_N(z)}{\sqrt{P_N^2(z) - 4q^{N/2}}} = \frac{2}{z} + \frac{2a^2}{z^3} + \frac{2(a^4 + 2q)}{z^5} + \dots$$



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$$-q Q(z-\epsilon) y(z) y(z+\epsilon) + (1+q) P(z) y(z+\epsilon) - 1 = 0$$

with $P(z) = z^2 + u_1 z + u_2$ $Q(z) = 1 + \sum_{\ell=1}^4 M_\ell z^\ell$

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• Now given
$$y(z+\epsilon) = y_2/z^2 + y_3/z^3 + \ldots$$
 we have

$$\partial_{z} \log y(z+\epsilon) = \left\langle \operatorname{tr} \frac{1}{z-\tilde{\varphi}} \right\rangle = \frac{2}{z} + \left\langle \frac{\operatorname{tr} \tilde{\varphi}}{z^{2}} \right\rangle + \left\langle \frac{\operatorname{tr} \tilde{\varphi}^{2}}{z^{3}} \right\rangle + \dots$$
$$= \frac{2}{z} + \frac{y_{3}}{z^{2}} + \frac{-y_{3}^{2} + 2y_{4}}{z^{3}} + \frac{y_{3}^{3} - 3y_{3}y_{4} + 3y_{5}}{z^{4}}$$
$$+ \frac{-y_{3}^{4} + 4y_{3}^{2}y_{4} - 2y_{4}^{2} - 4y_{3}y_{5} + 4y_{6}}{z^{5}} + \dots$$

and, from the curve another relation for the y_i 's in terms of u_1, u_2 . Now $\langle \operatorname{tr} \tilde{\varphi} \rangle = 0$ requires $y_3 = 0$ and determines u_1 while u_2 is solved in terms of $\langle \operatorname{tr} \tilde{\varphi}^2 \rangle$. This leads to the same results we found previously.



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- Circular Wilson loops are strongly connected to the equivariant scalar field of N = 2 SUSY
- \bullet We have studied correlators of ${\rm tr} \varphi^J$
- The AGT dual gives a nice framework to compare and further investigate such results

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• Extension to non circular geometries?