HyperKähler Quotient & Lumps in SO(N) and USp(N) gauge theories

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- \blacktriangleright The low energy effective theory on the Higgs branch in $\mathcal{N}=2$ sQCD is hyperKähler
- ▶ $\mathcal{N} = 1$ sQCD is Kähler
- ► Topology, metric
 - \rightarrow low energy effective action
- Topology
 - \rightarrow topological excitations in the gauge theories
 - \rightarrow non-perturbative effects
- ► In extension of the line of research of Nitta et.al. (BPS domain walls) and Eto et.al. (BPS domain walls and SO/USp vortices)

Supersymmetric non-linear σ -model

We want to write down the low energy effective theory of a supersymmetric model.

Taking the Kähler potential describing the theory in question in terms of chiral superfields :

$$\mathbf{K} = \mathbf{K}(\Phi, \bar{\Phi}) \tag{1}$$

the non-linear σ -model can be written as

$$\mathcal{L} = -g_{i\bar{\imath}}\partial_{\mu}\phi^{i}\partial^{\mu}\bar{\phi}^{\bar{\imath}} - ig_{i\bar{\imath}}\bar{\psi}^{\bar{\imath}}\bar{\sigma}^{\mu}\mathcal{D}_{\mu}\psi^{i} + \frac{1}{4}R_{i\bar{\imath}k\bar{\imath}}\psi^{i}\psi^{k}\bar{\psi}^{\bar{\imath}}\bar{\psi}^{\bar{\imath}}$$
(2)

with

$$g_{i\bar{\imath}} \equiv \frac{\partial}{\partial \varphi^{i}} \frac{\partial}{\partial \bar{\varphi}^{\bar{\imath}}} K$$
(3)

being the metric on the Kähler manifold and $\mathcal{D}_{\mu}\psi^{i}\equiv\partial_{\mu}\psi^{i}+\Gamma^{i}_{jk}\partial_{\mu}\varphi^{k}\psi^{j} \text{ with corresponding connection }\Gamma \text{ and }$ Riemann tensor R

Consider an $\mathcal{N}=1$ gauge theory with a simple gauge group G with $N_{\rm F}$ chiral superfields in the fundamental representation \Box of the gauge group along with a vector multiplet V'

$$\mathsf{K} = \mathrm{Tr}\left[\mathsf{Q}\mathsf{Q}^{\dagger}e^{-\mathsf{V}'}\right] \tag{4}$$

notice that the invariance of the Lagrangian is $G^{\mathbb{C}}$, e.g. for SU(N) it is $SU(N)^{\mathbb{C}} = SL(N,\mathbb{C})$ or for U(N) it is $U(N)^{\mathbb{C}} = GL(N,\mathbb{C})$

$$Q \to e^{i\Lambda}Q$$
 (5)

$$e^{V'}
ightarrow e^{i\Lambda} e^{V'} e^{-i\Lambda^{\dagger}}$$
, with $e^{i\Lambda} \in G^{\mathbb{C}}$ (6)

we would now like to solve the Kähler quotient i.e. integrating out the vector multiplet

Roads to a low energy effective theory

- ▶ 1^{st} road
 - \blacktriangleright fix the gauge, i.e. Wezz-Zumino gauge \leftrightarrow resolve the D-term constraints
 - \blacktriangleright take the limit $g \to \infty$
 - mod out the gauge symmetry
- ► 2nd road
 - \blacktriangleright take the limit $g \to \infty$
 - ► mod out the full complexified gauge symmetry
- ► 3^{rd} road
 - write down the holomorphic invariants
 - ▶ identify algebraic relations (e.g. the Plücker relation)

A comment in store is that the validity is strongly dependent on being in the ${\rm full}\ {\rm Higgs}$ phase, i.e. full rank of Q

A quick example

► SU(N)

$$K = N \left[\det Q Q^{\dagger} \right]^{\frac{1}{N}} 2^{nd} \text{ road}$$
(7)
$$= N \left[\sum_{\langle A \rangle} \left| B^{\langle A \rangle} \right|^2 \right]^{\frac{1}{N}} 3^{rd} \text{ road}$$
(8)

 $\det Q Q^\dagger = 0$ resembles the Coulomb branch

 $\blacktriangleright~ U(N)$: the singularity can be lifted by an FI parameter ξ

$$K = \operatorname{Tr} \left[Q Q^{\dagger} e^{-V'} e^{-V_e} \right] + \xi V_e$$
(9)

$$= \frac{\xi}{N} \log \det Q Q^{\dagger} = \frac{\xi}{N} \log \left[\sum_{\langle A \rangle} \left| B^{\langle A \rangle} \right|^2 \right]$$
(10)

with V_e being a U(1) vector multiplet

 $\mathcal{N}=1$ SO(N) and USp(2M=N) gauge theories

The Kähler potential can be written as

$$\mathbf{K} = \mathrm{Tr} \left[\mathbf{Q} \mathbf{Q}^{\dagger} \mathbf{e}^{-\mathbf{V}'} \right] \tag{11}$$

where the following constraints on the gauge fields kick in

$$V'^{T}J + JV' = 0 \quad \Leftrightarrow \quad e^{-V'^{T}}J e^{-V'} = J$$
 (12)

with $J=\begin{pmatrix} 0 & \mathbf{1}_M\\ \varepsilon \mathbf{1}_M & \mathbf{0} \end{pmatrix}$ where $\varepsilon=\pm 1$ for SO/USp gauge group

- The D-flatness condition turns out to be quite difficult
- ▶ so we jump to the 2nd road

Let's take the vector multiplet to be in $SU(N) \ni e^{-V'}$

$$\mathbf{K} = \mathrm{Tr}\left[\mathbf{Q}\mathbf{Q}^{\dagger}\mathbf{e}^{-\mathbf{V}'} + \frac{\mathbf{\lambda}\left(\mathbf{e}^{-\mathbf{V}'^{\mathrm{T}}}\mathbf{J}\mathbf{e}^{-\mathbf{V}'} - \mathbf{J}\right)\right]$$
(13)

e.o.m.s for λ solve the constraint of the algebra of SO/USp
e.o.m.s for V' include λ, but λ can be eliminated from these
The solution is obtained as

$$X = \sqrt{QQ^{\dagger}}e^{-V'}\sqrt{QQ^{\dagger}}$$
(14)

$$X^{2} = \left(Q^{T}J\sqrt{QQ^{\dagger}}\right)^{\dagger} \left(Q^{T}J\sqrt{QQ^{\dagger}}\right)$$
(15)

$$K = Tr X 2nd road (16)$$

Using another trick, i.e. rewriting a color trace as a flavor trace

$$\mathrm{Tr}_{\mathrm{C}}\sqrt{\mathrm{A}\mathrm{A}^{\dagger}} = \mathrm{Tr}_{\mathrm{F}}\sqrt{\mathrm{A}^{\dagger}\mathrm{A}}$$
 (17)

we can write the solution as

$$K = Tr_F \sqrt{MM^{\dagger}}$$
 3rd road (18)

with $M=Q^{\rm T}JQ$ being the meson field

► USp

$$\mathcal{M}_{USp} = \left\{ M \,|\, M \in \mathbb{C}^{N_{\mathrm{F}}} \times \mathbb{C}^{N_{\mathrm{F}}}, \ M^{\mathrm{T}} = -M, \qquad (19) \\ \mathrm{rank}M = 2M_{\mathrm{C}} \right\}$$
(20)

 reflects the fact that there are no independent baryons in USp gauge theories

► SO

Using the result from previously together with the e.o.m. for V_e , the Kähler potential can now be written as

$$K = \operatorname{Tr} \left[Q Q^{\dagger} e^{-V'} e^{-V_e} \right] + \xi V_e$$
(24)
$$= \frac{\xi}{N} \log \operatorname{Tr}_F \sqrt{M M^{\dagger}}$$
(25)

with V_{e} being a U(1) vector multiplet

 $\mathcal{N}=2$ susy : hyperKähler quotient for SO(N) and USp(2M=N)

Considering an $\mathcal{N}=2$ gauge theory, we can write the Kähler potential as

$$\tilde{K} = \text{Tr}\left[QQ^{\dagger}e^{-V'} + \tilde{Q}^{\dagger}\tilde{Q}e^{V'} + \lambda\left(e^{-V'^{\text{T}}}Je^{-V'} - J\right)\right]$$
(26)

with the superpotential

$$\mathcal{W} = \operatorname{Tr}\left[Q\tilde{Q}\Sigma' + \chi\left(\Sigma'^{\mathrm{T}}J + J\Sigma'\right)\right]$$
(27)

Using the algebra of SO/USp, $e^{V'^{\rm T}} = J^{\rm T} e^{-V'} J$ and the Kähler potential can be written as

$$\tilde{\mathsf{K}} = \operatorname{Tr}\left[QQ^{\dagger}e^{-\mathbf{V}'} + J^{\mathrm{T}}e^{-\mathbf{V}'}J(\tilde{Q}^{\dagger}\tilde{Q})^{\mathrm{T}} + \lambda\left(e^{-\mathbf{V}'^{\mathrm{T}}}Je^{-\mathbf{V}'} - J\right)\right]$$
(28)

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Defining now a field with $2N_{\rm F}$ flavors

$$Q = \left(Q, \ J\tilde{Q}^{\mathrm{T}}\right)$$
(29)

the Kähler potential can be written as

$$\tilde{\mathbf{K}} = \operatorname{Tr}\left[\mathcal{Q}\mathcal{Q}^{\dagger}e^{-\mathbf{V}'} + \mathbf{\lambda}\left(e^{-\mathbf{V}'^{\mathrm{T}}}\mathbf{J}e^{-\mathbf{V}'} - \mathbf{J}\right)\right]$$
(30)

and the $\mathcal{N} = 1$ solution readily applies!

$$\tilde{\mathsf{K}} = \mathrm{Tr}_{\mathsf{F}} \sqrt{\mathcal{M} \mathcal{M}^{\dagger}} \tag{31}$$

where the meson field now is

$$\mathcal{M} = \mathcal{Q}^{\mathrm{T}} \mathsf{J} \mathcal{Q} \tag{32}$$

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The following constraint

$$\mathcal{Q}\tilde{J}\mathcal{Q}^{\mathrm{T}} = 0 \tag{33}$$

where
$$\tilde{J} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & \mathbf{1}_M \\ -\varepsilon \mathbf{1}_M & \mathbf{0} \end{pmatrix}$$
 shows the well-known result, that

 \blacktriangleright An $SO(N_C)$ gauge theory has a $USp(2N_F)$ flavor symmetry

 \blacktriangleright A $USp(2M_C)$ gauge theory has an $SO(2N_F)$ flavor symmetry

Resultant manifolds



► Explicit construction of the up-to-now unknown Kähler and hyperKähler metrics for SO/USp gauge groups.