

Title: SUSY Gauge Theories on Squashed 3-spheres

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Abstract: I will explain some recent exact developments in $N=2$ SUSY gauge theories on 3-sphere and its deformations. I will begin by the analysis of Killing spinors and their generalization which are necessary to construct SUSY theories on curved spaces. Then I will sketch the exact computation of partition function using SUSY localization and present a general formula. Some applications to the physics of M5-branes will also be discussed.

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Exact computation of partition function

1. Identify : SUSY = Killing Spinors
2. Construct SUSY transformation & Lagrangian (Noether method)
3. Explicit path integration using SUSY localization

$$T = \frac{1}{2} \dot{x}^2 + \frac{1}{2} \dot{\psi}^2$$
$$S = \int dt \left(\frac{1}{2} \dot{x}^2 + \frac{1}{2} \dot{\psi}^2 - V(x) \right)$$

Rigid SUSY on 3-Sphere

is generated by “conformal Killing spinors” (KS) ε :

KS equation

$$D_m \varepsilon \equiv \left(\partial_m + \frac{1}{4} \omega_m^{ab} \gamma^{ab} \right) \varepsilon = \gamma_m \tilde{\varepsilon} \quad \text{for some } \tilde{\varepsilon}$$

On round 3-sphere of radius ℓ there are 4 **KSs**.

$$2 \text{ KSs satisfying } D_m \varepsilon = +\frac{i}{2\ell} \gamma_m \varepsilon$$

$$2 \text{ KSs satisfying } D_m \varepsilon = -\frac{i}{2\ell} \gamma_m \varepsilon$$

Any curved space with **KSs** can support rigid SUSY theories.

SUSY theory on $S^2 \times S^1$ \longrightarrow superconformal index.

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“Charged” KS equation

$$D_m \varepsilon^\pm \equiv \left(\partial_m + \frac{1}{4} \omega_m^{ab} \gamma^{ab} \mp i V_m \right) \varepsilon^\pm = \frac{i}{2f} \gamma_m \varepsilon^\pm$$

- * V = background gauge field for U(1) R-symmetry.
- * The same works also for squashed 3-spheres.

Generalization 2: (Imamura-Yokoyama '11)

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Vector

$$\delta A_\mu = -\frac{i}{2}(\bar{\epsilon}\gamma_\mu\lambda - \bar{\lambda}\gamma_\mu\epsilon),$$

$$\delta\sigma = \frac{1}{2}(\bar{\epsilon}\lambda - \bar{\lambda}\epsilon),$$

$$\delta\lambda = \frac{1}{2}\gamma^{\mu\nu}\epsilon F_{\mu\nu} - D\epsilon + i\gamma^\mu\epsilon D_\mu\sigma + \frac{2i}{3}\sigma\gamma^\mu D_\mu\epsilon,$$

$$\delta\bar{\lambda} = \frac{1}{2}\gamma^{\mu\nu}\bar{\epsilon}F_{\mu\nu} + D\bar{\epsilon} - i\gamma^\mu\bar{\epsilon}D_\mu\sigma - \frac{2i}{3}\sigma\gamma^\mu D_\mu\bar{\epsilon},$$

$$\delta D = -\frac{i}{2}\bar{\epsilon}\gamma^\mu D_\mu\lambda - \frac{i}{2}D_\mu\bar{\lambda}\gamma^\mu\epsilon + \frac{i}{2}[\bar{\epsilon}\lambda, \sigma] + \frac{i}{2}[\bar{\lambda}\epsilon, \sigma] \\ - \frac{i}{6}(D_\mu\bar{\epsilon}\gamma^\mu\lambda + \bar{\lambda}\gamma^\mu D_\mu\epsilon).$$

Chiral

$$\delta\phi = \bar{\epsilon}\psi,$$

$$\delta\psi = i\gamma^\mu\epsilon D_\mu\phi + i\epsilon\sigma\phi + \frac{2qi}{3}\gamma^\mu D_\mu\epsilon\phi + \bar{\epsilon}F,$$

$$\delta F = \epsilon(i\gamma^\mu D_\mu\psi - i\sigma\psi - i\lambda\phi) + \frac{i}{3}(2q-1)D_\mu\epsilon\gamma^\mu\psi.$$

$\epsilon, \bar{\epsilon}$: charged KSs (with charge +1,-1)

Yang-Mills term

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{YM}} = \text{Tr} \left(\frac{1}{4} F_{\mu\nu} F^{\mu\nu} + \frac{1}{2} D_\mu \sigma D^\mu \sigma + \frac{1}{2} \left(D + \frac{\sigma}{f} \right)^2 + \frac{i}{2} \bar{\lambda} \gamma^\mu D_\mu \lambda + \frac{i}{2} \bar{\lambda} [\sigma, \lambda] - \frac{1}{4f} \bar{\lambda} \lambda \right)$$

Gauge-invariant matter kinetic term

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{L}_{\text{mat}} = & D_\mu \bar{\phi} D^\mu \phi + \bar{\phi} \sigma^2 \phi + i \bar{\phi} D \phi + \bar{F} F \\ & + \frac{i(2q-1)}{f} \phi \sigma \phi + \left(\frac{qk}{4} - \frac{q(2q-1)}{2f^2} \right) \phi \phi \\ & - i \bar{\psi} \gamma^\mu D_\mu \psi + i \bar{\psi} \sigma \psi + i \bar{\psi} \lambda \phi - i \bar{\phi} \bar{\lambda} \psi - \frac{(2q-1)}{2f} \bar{\psi} \psi. \end{aligned}$$

See our paper for Chern-Simons, Fayet-Iliopoulos, Superpotential terms.

Remarks:

\mathcal{L}_{YM} and \mathcal{L}_{mat} are **SUSY exact**.

For any pair of Killing spinors $\epsilon, \bar{\epsilon}$, one can show

$$\bar{\epsilon}\epsilon \cdot \mathcal{L}_{\text{YM}} = \delta_{\bar{\epsilon}}\delta_{\epsilon} \text{Tr} \left(\frac{1}{2} \bar{\lambda}\lambda - 2D\sigma \right),$$

$$\bar{\epsilon}\epsilon \cdot \mathcal{L}_{\text{mat}} = \delta_{\bar{\epsilon}}\delta_{\epsilon} \left(\bar{\psi}\psi - 2i\bar{\phi}\sigma\phi + \frac{2(q-1)}{f} \bar{\phi}\phi \right).$$

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For integral over everything except for σ_0 , **Gaussian approximation is exact**, since Z does not change under the shift

$$S \rightarrow S + \underbrace{t \cdot \delta_{\text{SUSY}} V}_{\text{Both } \mathcal{L}_{\text{YM}} \text{ and } \mathcal{L}_{\text{mat}} \text{ are of this class}} \quad (\text{s.t. } \delta_{\text{SUSY}}^2 V = 0)$$

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Matrix Integral Formula

$$Z = \int [d\sigma_0] \exp(-S_{\text{cl}}) \times \left(\frac{\text{Det} \Delta_F}{\text{Det} \Delta_B} \right)$$

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2
3

1. Integral over Lie algebra (can be reduced to Cartan)
2. original action evaluated at saddle point
example: $kS_{\text{CS}} = -i\pi k(\ell\sigma_0)^2$, $\zeta S_{\text{FI}} = -2\pi i\zeta(\ell\sigma_0)$
3. "1-loop determinant" arising from Gaussian integral

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1-loop Determinants $\text{Det} \Delta_B, \text{Det} \Delta_F$

* Wave operators Δ_B, Δ_F can be read from $\mathcal{L}_{\text{YM}}, \mathcal{L}_{\text{mat}}$.

* For round or squashed 3-spheres,

$$ds^2 = \ell^2(\mu^1\mu^1 + \mu^2\mu^2) + \tilde{\ell}^2\mu^3\mu^3 \quad \begin{array}{l} \text{vielbein} \\ = \text{LI 1-form} \end{array}$$

$$e^{a\mu}\partial_\mu = \left(\frac{1}{\ell}\mathcal{R}^1, \frac{1}{\ell}\mathcal{R}^2, \frac{1}{\tilde{\ell}}\mathcal{R}^3 \right) \quad \mathcal{R}^a \sim \text{generators of } \text{SU}(2)_{\text{Right}}$$

... full spectrum of Δ_B, Δ_F can be obtained using spherical harmonics.

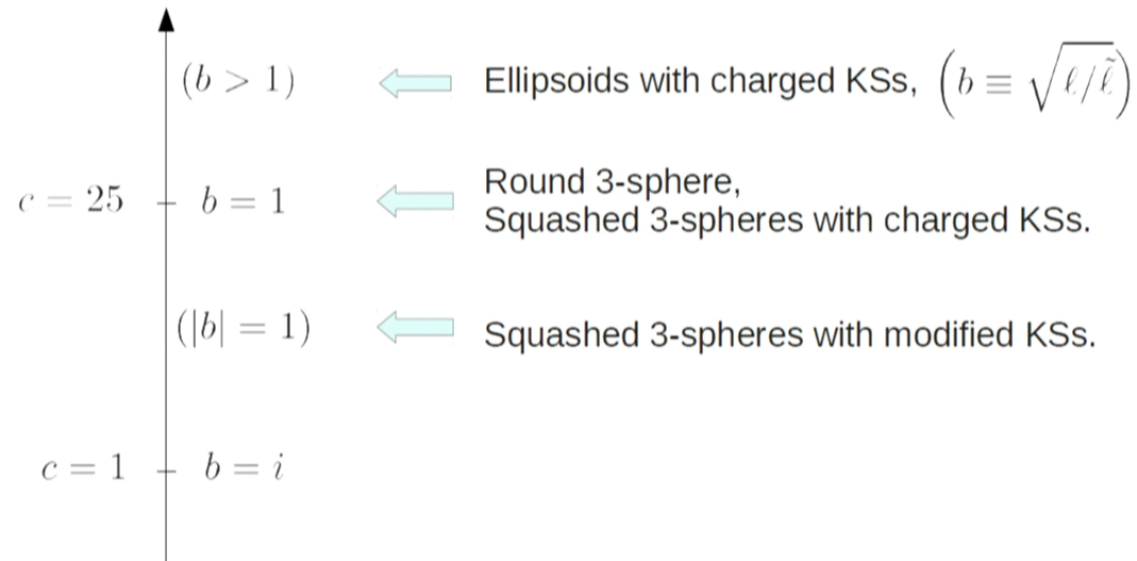
Example: For an electron chiral multiplet (ψ, ψ') in N=2 SQED,

Round 3-sphere:

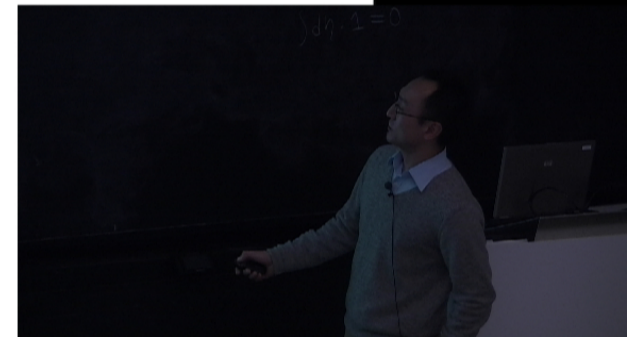
$$\Delta_\psi = \frac{1}{\ell^2} \{4J^a J^a - (q - i\ell\sigma)(q - 2 - i\ell\sigma)\},$$

$$\Delta_{\psi'} = \frac{1}{\ell} \{4J^a S^a + i\ell\sigma + 2 - q\}, \quad \left(J^a \equiv \frac{1}{2i}\mathcal{R}^a, S^a \equiv \frac{1}{2}\gamma^a \right)$$

Squashing parameter b



$(c \equiv 1 + 6(b + b^{-1})^2)$: "Liouville central charge"



Overall Normalization

1. **Matter 1-loop determinant** is correct including normalization.

If ϕ, ϕ' are chiral matters of R-charge q, q' and U(1) gauge charge ± 1 , their 1-loop determinant is

$$\Delta_\phi \Delta_{\phi'} = s_b\left(\frac{iQ}{2}(1-q) - \sigma\right) s_b\left(\frac{iQ}{2}(1-q') + \sigma\right)$$

If $q + q' = 2$ they can be decoupled by F-term mass, and accordingly

$$\Delta_\phi \Delta_{\phi'} = s_b(x) s_b(-x) = 1.$$

2. **Vector multiplet contribution** needs finite renormalization.
to reproduce the known exact results in pure CS theory (Witten '89).

Quantum correction to CS coupling

... is absent in $\mathcal{N}=2$ SUSY theories. (Kao-Lee-Lee '95)

1-loop correction to CS coupling

in YM-CS theory with \mathcal{N} SUSY $\mathcal{L} = k\mathcal{L}_{\text{CS}}^{(\mathcal{N})} + \frac{1}{g^2}\mathcal{L}_{\text{YM}}^{(\mathcal{N})}$

$\mathcal{N} = 0$	$\delta k = N$
$\mathcal{N} = 1$	$\delta k = N(1 - \frac{1}{2})$
$\mathcal{N} = 2$	$\delta k = N(1 - \frac{2}{2})$
$\mathcal{N} = 3$	$\delta k = N(1 - \frac{3}{2} + \frac{1}{2})$

gauge boson

$\text{SO}(\mathcal{N})$ singlet fermion

$\text{SO}(\mathcal{N})$ \mathcal{N} -plet fermion

2 routes to N=2 YM-CS partition function

$$\mathcal{L} = k\mathcal{L}_{\text{CS}}^{(\mathcal{N}=2)} + \frac{1}{g^2}\mathcal{L}_{\text{YM}}^{(\mathcal{N}=2)}$$

1. SUSY localization (technically set $g^2 \rightarrow 0$)

→ Matrix integral formula

→ Witten's exact formula for (at CS level k-N)

2. Set $g^2 \rightarrow \text{large}$, integrate out heavy fields ($\lambda, \bar{\lambda}, \sigma, D$)
(mass $\sim kg^2$)

→ Bosonic CS theory at level k-N

→ Witten's exact formula for (at CS level k-N)

Example : ABJM theory = N M2-branes on $\mathbb{C}^4/\mathbb{Z}_k$

$U(N)_k \times U(N)_{-k}$ Chern-Simons theory with

chiral matters $(X_1, X_2) : (N, \bar{N}),$

$(Y_1, Y_2) : (\bar{N}, N)$

superpotential $W = \frac{2\pi}{k} \epsilon^{ab} \epsilon^{cd} \text{Tr}(X_a Y_c X_b Y_d)$

At strong coupling ($N/k \gg 1$),

dual to **11d SUGRA** on $AdS_4 \times (S^7/\mathbb{Z}_k)$ ($k \ll N^{1/5}$)

IIA SUGRA on $AdS_4 \times \mathbb{CP}^3$ ($k \gg N^{1/5}$)

$$F \sim N^{3/2}$$

Partition function of ABJ(M) model

$$Z(N_1, N_2, g_s \equiv \frac{2\pi i}{k}) = \exp(-F)$$

$$= \frac{i^{-\frac{1}{2}(N_1^2 - N_2^2)}}{N_1! N_2!} \int \prod_{i=1}^{N_1} \frac{d\mu_i}{2\pi} \prod_{j=1}^{N_2} \frac{d\nu_j}{2\pi} \prod_{i < j}^{N_1} \left(2 \sinh \frac{\mu_i - \mu_j}{2}\right)^2 \prod_{i < j}^{N_2} \left(2 \sinh \frac{\nu_i - \nu_j}{2}\right)^2 \\ \prod_{i=1}^{N_1} \prod_{j=1}^{N_2} \left(2 \cosh \frac{\mu_i - \nu_j}{2}\right)^2 \exp \left[-\frac{1}{2g_s} \left(\sum_{i=1}^{N_1} \mu_i^2 - \sum_{i=1}^{N_2} \nu_i^2 \right) \right]$$

't Hooft expansion

$$F = \sum_{h \geq 0} g_s^{2h-2} F_h(t_1, t_2); \quad t_a = g_s N_a$$

Eigenvalue-distribution analysis can determine $F_0(t_1, t_2)$.

$$\Rightarrow F \simeq \frac{\sqrt{2\pi}}{3} k^{\frac{1}{2}} N^{\frac{3}{2}} \quad (\text{Drukker-Marino-Putrov '10})$$

Conclusion

Exact 3D partition function and various identities of double-sine function will be useful for a better understanding of

- * multiple M2-brane dynamics
- * (3d version of) AGT conjecture
- * 3d dualities