

Title: Toward AGT for general algebraic surfaces

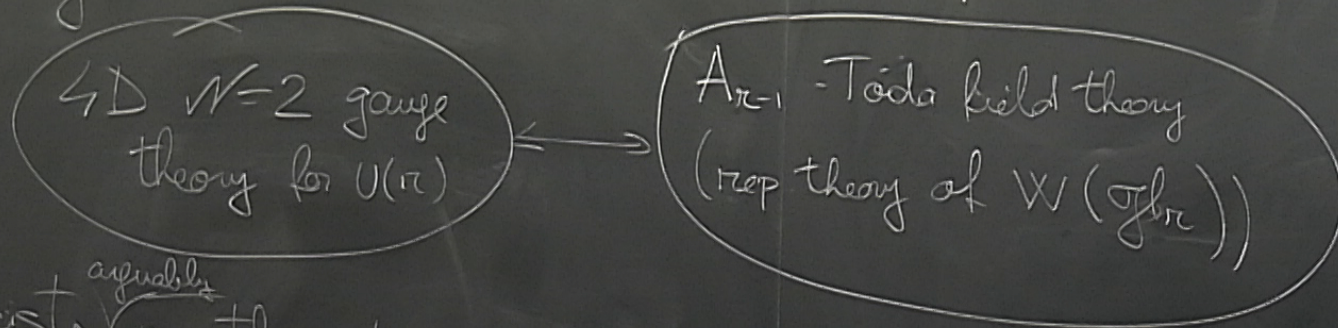
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Abstract: 

The Alday-Gaiotto-Tachikawa correspondence connects gauge theory on a fourfold with conformal field theory. We are interested in a certain algebro-geometric incarnation of this framework, where the fourfold is an algebraic surface and instantons/differential geometry are replaced with sheaves/algebraic geometry. In this talk, we will present a certain approach to AGT that yields partial results for quite general surfaces, and ask questions about what still needs to be done to state and prove the full correspondence in the language of algebraic geometry.

# Alday - Gaiotto - Tachikawa correspondence



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  - (LHS: Nekrasov partition function)
  - (RHS: conformal blocks for  $W(\mathfrak{gl}_r)$ )

4D  $\mathcal{N}=2$  gauge theory for  $U(r)$

$A_{r-1}$ -Toda field theory  
(rep theory of  $W(\mathfrak{gl}_r)$ )

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- mathematically, much interest has gone into the case when the 4-fold of gauge theory is  $S = \text{algebraic surface}/\mathbb{C}$   
 ↳ gauge theory by replacing instantons on  $S/\mathbb{R}$  with sheaves on  $S/\mathbb{C}$

(LHS: Nekrasov partition function)  
 (RHS: conformal blocks for  $W(\mathfrak{gl}_r)$ )

History: Maulik-Okounkov } pure  
 Schiffmann-Vasserot } fundamental matter  
 N: bifundamental matter + deformation to 5D  $\mathcal{N}=1$   
 ( $S \rightsquigarrow S \times \text{circle}$ )

today, I will develop approach #3,  
 which is based on intersection theory,  
 this should work for general surfaces  $S$

let smooth projective surface  $S/\mathbb{C} \ni H$  ample divisor

**Def** let  $\mathcal{M}$  be the moduli space of H-stable sheaves  $\mathcal{F}$

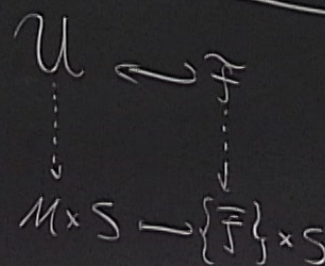
on  $S$  with invariants  $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \rightarrow \text{given } \pi \\ \rightarrow \text{given } c_1(\mathcal{F}) \\ \rightarrow \text{varying } c_2(\mathcal{F}) \end{array} \right.$

$\forall \mathcal{G} \subseteq \mathcal{F}$ , we have  $P_{\mathcal{G}}(n) < P_{\mathcal{F}}(n)$  for  $n \gg 0$

where  $P_{\mathcal{F}}(n) = \frac{\dim \Gamma(S, \mathcal{F} \otimes \mathcal{O}(nH))}{\pi}$

Assume • either  $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{canonical line bundle} \\ \omega_S \cong \mathcal{O}_S \text{ or} \\ c_1(\omega_S) \cdot H < 0 \end{array} \right. \Rightarrow \mathcal{M} \text{ is smooth}$

•  $\gcd(\pi, c_1(\mathcal{F}) \cdot H) = 1 \Rightarrow \mathcal{M} \text{ is projective \& } \mathcal{F} \text{ universal sheaf}$



$$\text{let } M = \bigsqcup_{c_2 \in \mathbb{Z}} M_{c_2}$$

$$\text{then } K_n = \bigoplus_{c_2 \in \mathbb{Z}} \text{Kalg}(M_{c_2}) \otimes_{\mathbb{Z}} \mathcal{O}$$

free abelian generated  
by  $[U]$  where  $U$  is a vector  
bundle on  $M_{c_2}$ , modulo  
 $[U_2] = [U_1] + [U_3] \iff \exists \text{ seq.}$   
 $0 \rightarrow U_1 \rightarrow U_2 \rightarrow U_3 \rightarrow 0$

as  $S$

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H-stable sheaves  $\mathcal{F}$

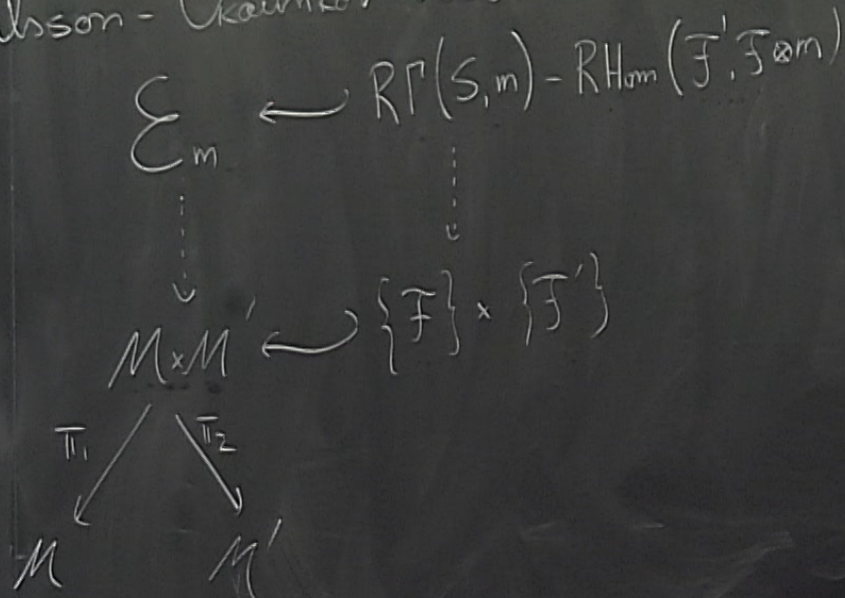
$\forall \mathcal{G} \subsetneq \mathcal{F}$ , we have  $P_{\mathcal{G}}(n) < P_{\mathcal{F}}(n)$  for  $n \gg 0$

$\dim \Gamma(S\mathcal{F} \otimes \mathcal{O}(nH))$

take two copies of the moduli space, call them  $M$  and  $M'$  (correspond to different choices of  $c_1$ )

Def the Carlson-Kaumkov vector bundle

let  $m$  a line bundle on  $S$



operator  $K_M \xleftarrow{A_m} K_{M'}$

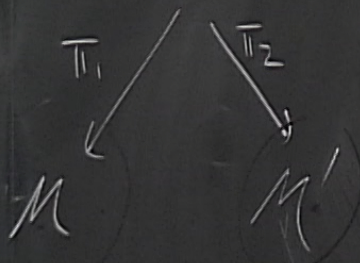
$$A_m = \pi_{1*} \left( (K \cdot \mathcal{E}_m) \otimes \pi_2^* \right)$$

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Carlsson - Grauert vector bundle

$$\mathcal{E}_m \leftarrow \mathbb{R}P(S, m) - \text{RHom}(\mathcal{F}, \mathcal{F} \otimes m)$$

$$M \times M' \leftarrow \{\mathcal{F}\} \times \{\mathcal{F}'\}$$



operator  $K_M \xleftarrow{A_m} K_{M'}$

$$A_m = \pi_{1*} \left( [\lambda \mathcal{E}_m] \otimes \pi_2^* \right)$$

$$\rightarrow \sum_{l=0}^{\infty} (-1)^l [\lambda^l \mathcal{E}_m]$$

Space, can be  
 or vector bundle  
 $R\Gamma(S, m) = R\text{Hom}(F, F \otimes m)$

$\{F\} \times \{F'\}$

operator  $K_M \xleftarrow{A_m} K_{M'}$

$$A_m = \prod_{i \geq 0} \left( [\Lambda^i \mathcal{E}_m] \otimes \mathbb{T}_2^* \right)$$

$$\sum_{i=0}^{\infty} (-1)^i [\Lambda^i \mathcal{E}_m]$$

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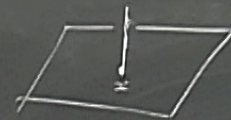
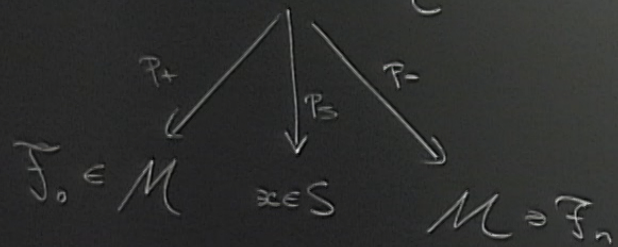
$$\{F\} \times \{F'\}$$

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What about the W-algebra side?

for  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ , let us consider the following space.

$$\mathcal{Z}_n = \left\{ (\mathbb{F}_0 \subset \mathbb{F}_1 \subset \dots \subset \mathbb{F}_n, x \in S) \text{ st. } \frac{\mathbb{F}_{i+1}}{\mathbb{F}_i} \cong \mathbb{C}_x \ \forall i \right\}$$



$$\mathcal{L}_i \longleftarrow \Gamma(S, \mathbb{F}_{i+1}/\mathbb{F}_i) \quad \forall i \in \{1, \dots, n\}$$

$\forall n \in \mathbb{N}$   
 $k \in \mathbb{Z}$  define

~~$$\mathcal{Z}_n \longleftarrow \left\{ (\mathbb{F}_0 \subset \dots \subset \mathbb{F}_n) \right\}$$

$$E_{-n,k} : K_n \rightarrow K_{n \times S} \quad E_{n,k} = (P_+ \times P_S)_* \left( \alpha_n^k \otimes P_+^* \right)$$

$$E_{n,k} : K_n \rightarrow K_{n \times S} \quad E_{n,k} = \frac{(-1)^n (\det W)^n}{(w_S)^{n(n-1)}} (P_- \times P_S)_* \left( \frac{\alpha_1^k \otimes \alpha_2^k \otimes \dots \otimes \alpha_n^k}{\alpha_1^k \otimes \alpha_2^k \otimes \dots \otimes \alpha_n^k} \otimes P_+^* \right)$$~~

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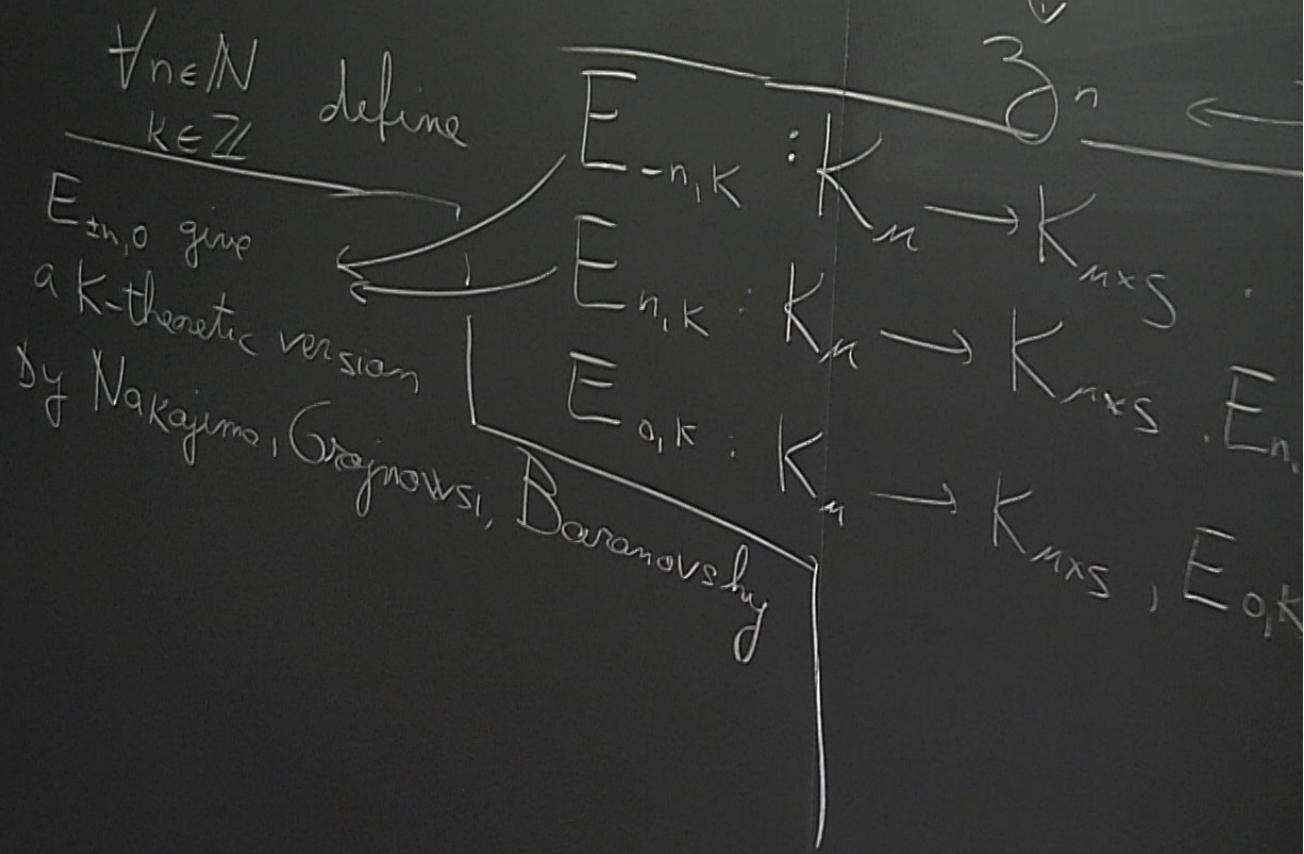
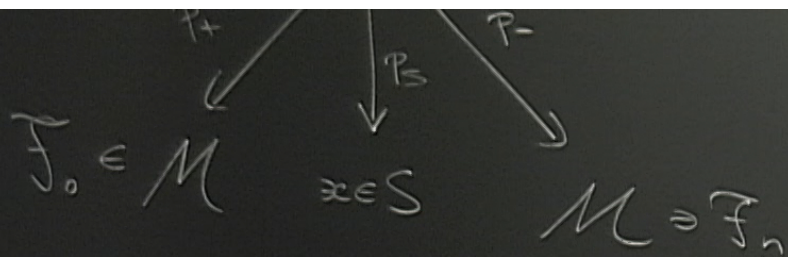
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$$E_{0,k} : K_n \rightarrow K_{n \times s}, \quad E_{0,k} = \text{multiplication (tensor product) by } [1^k U]$$

$$\mathcal{L}_i \longleftrightarrow \Gamma(S, \mathbb{F}_{i+1}/\mathbb{F}_i) \quad \forall i \in \{1, \dots, n\}$$

$$\mathcal{Z}_n \longleftrightarrow \left\{ (\mathbb{F}_0 \subset \dots \subset \mathbb{F}_n) \right\}$$



Thm (N).  $\forall n \in \mathbb{Z}, k \in \mathbb{N}$ , define

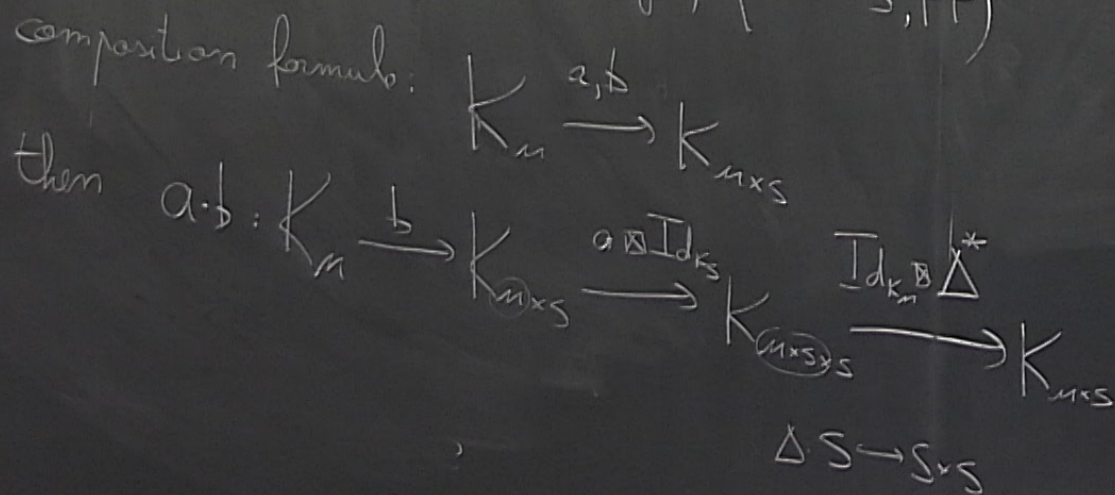
$$n_{\pm}, k_{\pm}, k_0 \in \mathbb{Z}$$

$$W_{n,k} = \sum_{\substack{n_+ - n_- = n \\ k_+ + k_0 + k_- = k}} \binom{k-n_+}{(w_s)} E_{n_+, k_+} \cdot E_{0, k_0} \cdot E_{n_-, k_-} : K_n \rightarrow K_{n \times s}$$

$$: K_n \rightarrow K_{n \times s}$$

the operators above satisfy the relations in the deformed  $W(\mathfrak{gl}_n)$  (AKOS, FT)

if  $K_{n \times s} \cong K_n \otimes K_s$  then  $W_{n,k}$  give a family of endomorphisms of  $K_n$  parametrized by  $K_s$



$$W_2(\mathfrak{gl}_n) \otimes K_s \rightarrow K_n$$

$$W_k(x) = \sum_{n \in \mathbb{Z}} \frac{W_{n,k}}{x^n}, \quad \forall k \in \{1, \dots, r\}$$

**Thm** (N) operator  $A_m$  satisfies the following relation.

$$(*) \quad A_m \cdot W_k(x) \cdot (1-x) = m^k \cdot W_k(x) \cdot A_m \left( 1 - \frac{x}{(\omega_S)^k} \right) \cdot K_{m^k} \rightarrow K_{m \times S}$$

$$\frac{m^k}{(\omega_S)^k} \frac{\det u}{\det u'} = K_{m^k \times S}$$

$\Downarrow$   
 $A_m$  has a "vertex operator" property when  $S = \mathbb{A}^1$ ,  $(*)$  determines

$A_m$  completely

this will not be true for general  $S$

try to guess some operators

take a 1-D sheaf  $\mathcal{Q}$  e.g. line bundle on a curve  $C \rightarrow S$

$$\mathcal{Q} = \{ (F_+, F_-) \text{ st } 0 \rightarrow F_+ \rightarrow F_- \rightarrow \mathcal{Q} \rightarrow 0 \}$$

zed by  $K_S$

$$k) \cdot (1-x) = m^k \cdot W_k(x, \mathcal{G}) \cdot A_m \left( 1 - \frac{x}{(\omega_S)^k} \right) \cdot K_{m'} \rightarrow K_{m \times S}$$

"operator" property

(\*) determines

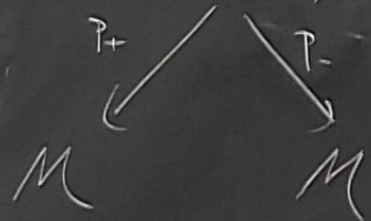
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$$f_{\mathcal{Q}}: K_M \rightarrow K_M$$

$$f_{\mathcal{Q}} = P_{+*} \circ P_{-}^*$$



$$u \in K_{n \times s}$$

$$\left( \frac{x}{(\omega_s)^k} \right) : K_M \rightarrow K_{n \times s}$$

some operators

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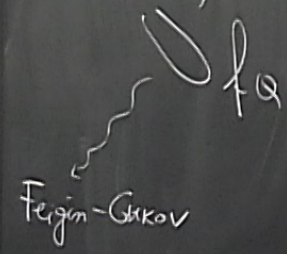
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many people have constructed a VOA (4-D manifold)

$$\text{hopefully, } \text{VOA}(S/C) = W(\mathfrak{gl}_n) \otimes K_S$$



module space,

mod vector

$$\rightarrow \mathbb{R}P(S, m)$$

$$\rightarrow \{ \mathcal{F} \} \times \{ \mathcal{F} \}$$

moduli technical difficulties

$$[A_m, f_Q] = \text{Res}_{z=0 \text{ or } \infty} \underbrace{\lambda(\text{RHom}(Q, U_{\text{sm}}), z)}_{\text{operator on } K_m \text{ of multiplication}} \cdot A_m \cdot \underbrace{\lambda(-\text{RHom}(U, Q)^{\vee}, z)}_{\text{by certain tautological}}$$

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contribution of bifundamental  
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