

# Hilbert Series

# SUSY Gauge Theories

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# Introduction

- $N=1$  gauge theories in  $3+1$  dimensions
- Moduli Space of Vacua
- Superpotential
- Chiral Ring
- Witten Index
- Count Chiral Operators in the Chiral Ring

# Motivation

- Better understanding of
  - SUSY Gauge Theories
  - String Backgrounds

# Hilbert Series

- Partition function
- Counts Chiral Operators in the Chiral Ring

# Example

## Free Chiral Multiplet

- $X$  chiral (complex valued)
- $1, X, X^2, X^3, X^4, \dots$  chiral (holomorphic)
- Conserved charge - number of  $X$ 's
- Fugacity  $t$  conjugate to charge

$$H(t) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} t^n = \frac{1}{1-t}$$

# Example

## Free Chiral Multiplet

- Moduli Space is  $\mathbb{C}$ , of dimension 1
- $H(t)$  has a simple pole at  $t=1$
- dimension of the moduli space is the order of the pole at  $t=1$
- chemical potential

$$t = e^{-\mu}$$

# Example

## n Free Chiral Multiplets

- $X_i$   $i=1..n$  chiral multiplets (complex valued)
- $1, X_i, X_i X_j, X_i X_j X_k, \dots$  chiral (holomorphic)
- $n$  conserved charges  $U(1)^n$  ; global symmetry  $U(n)$
- $n$  fugacities  $t_i$

$$H(t_1, \dots, t_n) = \prod_{i=1}^n \frac{1}{1 - t_i} = \sum_{k_1=0}^{\infty} \dots \sum_{k_n=0}^{\infty} t_1^{k_1} \dots t_n^{k_n}$$

# n Free Chiral Multiplets

## Fugacity Map

- set  $t_1 = t y_1$
- $t_2 = t y_2/y_1$
- $t_3 = t y_3/y_2 \dots$
- $t_{n-1} = t y_{n-1}/y_{n-2}$
- $t_n = t/y_{n-1}$



# Character Expansion

- $t$  counts the number of  $X$ 's
- $y$ 's  $SU(n)$  fugacities
- keep track of  $SU(n)$  weights
- set  $[k, 0, \dots, 0]$  to be the character of  $k$ -th rank symmetric representation of  $SU(n)$

$$H(t, y_1, \dots, y_{n-1}) = \prod_{i=1}^n \frac{1}{1 - t y_i} = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} [k, 0, \dots, 0] t^k$$

# Moduli Space n Free Chiral Multiplet

- Moduli Space is  $C^n$ , of dimension  $n$
- $H(t, 1, \dots, 1)$  has a pole of order  $n$  at  $t=1$
- dimension of the moduli space is the order of the pole at  $t=1$

$$H(t, 1, \dots, 1) = \frac{1}{(1-t)^n} = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \binom{n+k-1}{k} t^k$$

# Character Expansion

- Hilbert Series admits an expansion in terms of the characters of the global symmetry

# Hilbert Series

## Gauge Theories

- Chiral Operators are gauge invariant
- Look for invariants of the gauge group
- transform under the global symmetry

# SQCD

## SU(2) 1 flavor (2 chiral)

- Moduli space is 1 dimensional, freely generated by a 1 invariant  $M = Q_1 Q_2$

$$H(t_1 t_2) = \oint_{|z|=1} \frac{dz(1-z^2)}{2\pi i z} \prod_{i=1}^2 \frac{1}{(1-t_i z)(1-t_i/z)} = \frac{1}{1-t_1 t_2}$$

# SQCD

## SU(2) 2 flavors

$$H(t, y_1, y_2, y_3) = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} [0, k, 0]_{SU(4)} t^{2k}$$

- Moduli space is 5d hyper-surface, generated by 6 invariants at order 2, subject to 1 relation at order 4  $M_{ij} = Q_i Q_j$ ;  $\text{Pf} M = 0$

$$H(t, 1, 1, 1) = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{(k+1)(k+2)^2(k+3)}{12} t^{2k} = \frac{1-t^4}{(1-t^2)^6}$$

# SQCD

## SU(2) with n flavors

$$H(t, y_1, \dots, y_{2n-1}) = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} [0, k, 0, \dots, 0]_{SU(2n)} t^{2k}$$

- At order  $2k$  precisely one irrep with Young diagram of  $2 \times k$  boxes.

# SQCD $N_f > N_c$ $SU(N_c)$ $N_f$ flavors

$$H_{SU(N_c), N_f}(t, \tilde{t}, \{y\}, \{\tilde{y}\}) = \sum_{n_1, n_2, \dots, n_{N_c-1}, \ell, m \geq 0} [n_1, n_2, \dots, n_{N_c-1}, \ell, 0, \dots, 0; 0, \dots, 0, m, n_{N_c-1}, \dots, n_2, n_1] t^a \tilde{t}^b$$

- Global symmetry is  $SU(N_f)_L \times SU(N_f)_R$
- $N_c+1$  dimensional positive cartesian lattice

$$a = \ell N_c + \sum_{j=1}^k j n_j; \quad b = m N_c + \sum_{j=1}^k j n_j$$



# SQCD $N_f > N_c$ $Sp(N_c)$ $N_f$ flavors

$$H_{Sp(N_c), N_f} = \sum_{n_2, n_4, \dots, n_{2N_c} \geq 0} [0, n_2, 0, n_4, 0, n_6, 0, \dots, 0, n_{2N_c}, 0, \dots, 0] t^a$$

- Global symmetry is  $SU(2N_f)$
- $N_c$  dimensional positive cartesian lattice

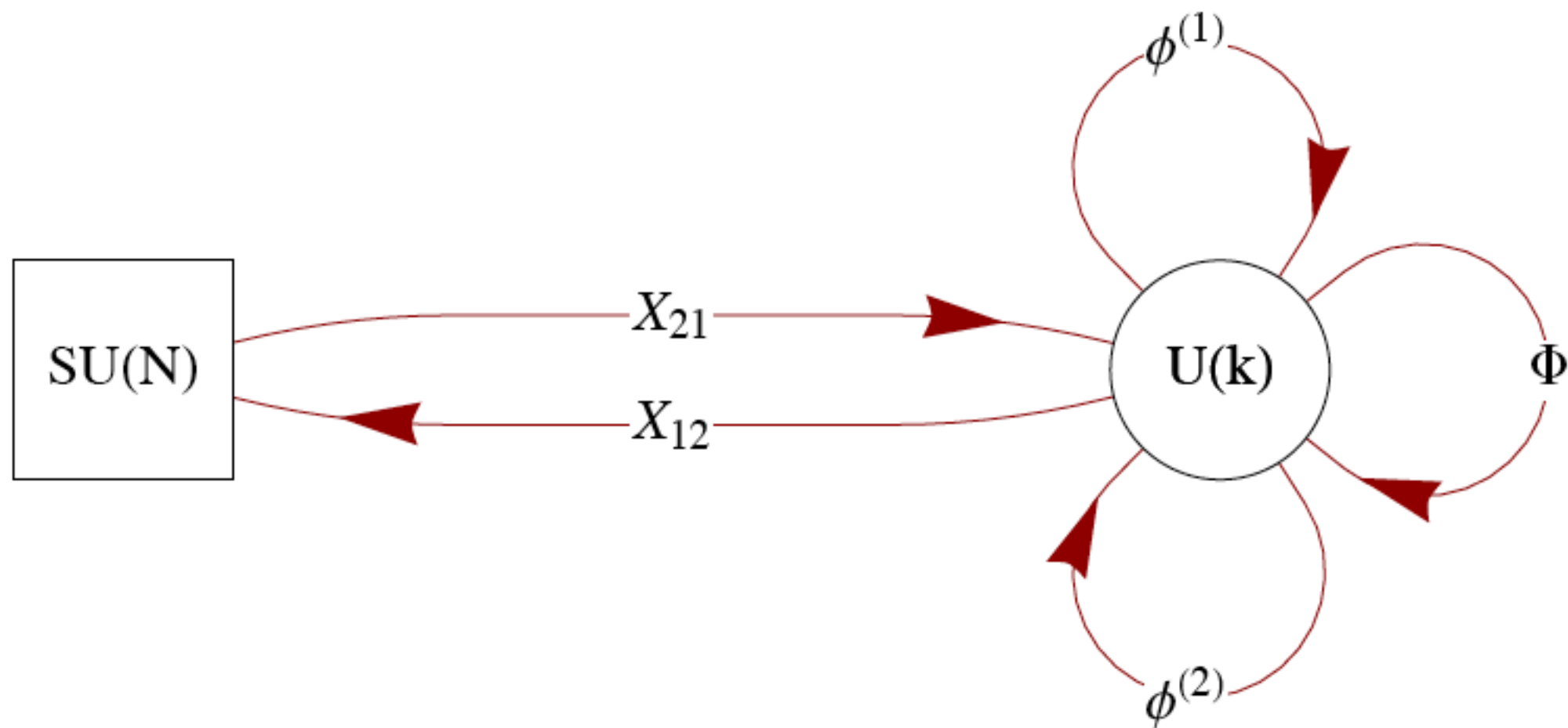
$$a = \sum_{j=1}^{N_c} 2j n_{2j}$$

# $\mathcal{N}=2$ Quiver $k$ $SU(N)$ instantons on $\mathbb{C}^2$



**Figure 6:** The  $\mathcal{N} = 2$  quiver diagram for  $k$   $SU(N)$  instantons on  $\mathbb{C}^2$ . The circular node represents the  $U(k)$  gauge symmetry and the square node represents the  $SU(N)$  flavour symmetry. The line connecting the  $SU(N)$  and  $U(k)$  groups denotes  $kN$  bi-fundamental hypermultiplets, and the loop around the  $U(k)$  group denotes the adjoint hypermultiplet.

# $\mathcal{N}=1$ Quiver $k$ $SU(N)$ instantons on $\mathbb{C}^2$



**Figure 7:** Flower quiver; The  $\mathcal{N} = 1$  quiver diagram for  $k$   $SU(N)$  instantons on  $\mathbb{C}^2$  with the corresponding superpotential,  $W = X_{21} \cdot \Phi \cdot X_{12} + \epsilon_{\alpha\beta} \phi^{(\alpha)} \cdot \Phi \cdot \phi^{(\beta)}$ .

# Moduli Space of $1$ $SU(N)$ instanton on $\mathbb{C}^2$

- One dimensional lattice
- at order  $2n$ : representation has highest weight equal to  $n$  times highest weight of adjoint
- Generalizes to any  $G$  instanton
- no ADHM for exceptional groups

$$H_{1,SU(N),\mathbb{C}^2} = \frac{1}{(1-tx)(1-\frac{t}{x})} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} [n, 0, \dots, 0, n] t^{2n}$$

# Hilbert Series

- encodes information on:
- Chiral Ring
- Its generators, relations, dimension
- Exact function which characterizes the moduli space
- encoded as positive lattice of representations

# Hilbert Series

- Palindromic  $\Leftrightarrow$  singular CY cone

# Moduli Spaces

- Each moduli space has 3 numbers:
- Dimension  $D$
- Number of generators  $G$
- Number of relations  $R$

# Cases for the moduli space

- If  $R=0$  : said to be freely generated
- If  $D=G-R$  : said to be a complete intersection
- Otherwise ...
- If  $G$  is exponential in  $D$  - wild moduli space
- If  $G$  is polynomial in  $D$  - tame moduli space



Thank you!

# Notation

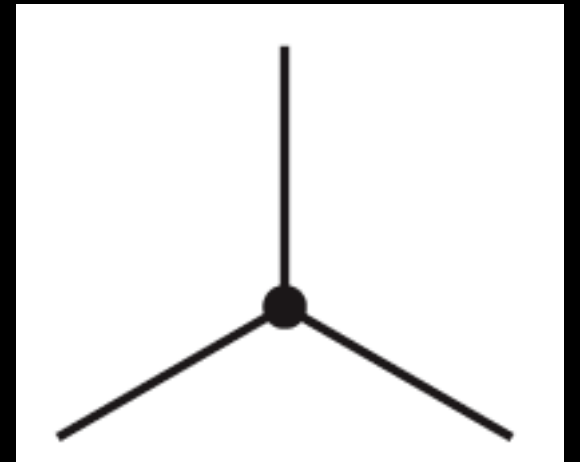
$$[n](x) = \sum_{m=-\frac{n}{2}}^{\frac{n}{2}} x^{2m} = \frac{x^{n+1} - x^{-n-1}}{x - x^{-1}}$$

Spin  $n/2$  irrep of  $SU(2)$

$$[n_1; \dots; n_e] = \prod_{i=1}^e [n_i](x_i)$$

# Example: $g=0$ , $e=3$

$$g_{T_2}(t; x_1, x_2, x_3) = \text{PE} [[1; 1; 1]t] = \prod_{\epsilon_i = \pm 1} \frac{1}{1 - tx_1^{\epsilon_1} x_2^{\epsilon_2} x_3^{\epsilon_3}}$$



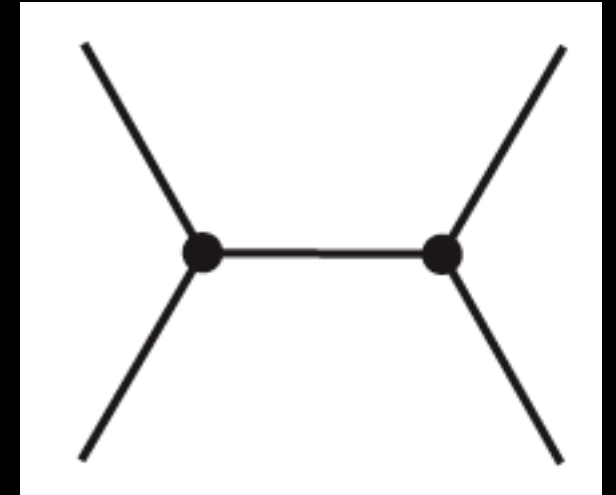
$$1 + [1; 1; 1]t + ([2; 2; 2] + [2; 0; 0] + [0; 2; 0] + [0; 0; 2])t^2$$

$$Q_{a,b,c} Q_{(a,b,c} Q_{a',b',c'})$$

$$Q_{a,b,c} Q_{a',b',c'} \epsilon^{a,a'} \epsilon^{b,b'}$$

$$g_{T_2}(t; x_1, x_2, x_3) = \frac{1}{1 - t^4} \sum_{n_1, n_2, n_3, m=0}^{\infty} ([2n_1 + m; 2n_2 + m; 2n_3 + m] t^{2n_1+2n_2+2n_3+m} + [2n_1 + m + 1; 2n_2 + m + 1; 2n_3 + m + 1] t^{2n_1+2n_2+2n_3+m+3}) \quad .(4.3)$$

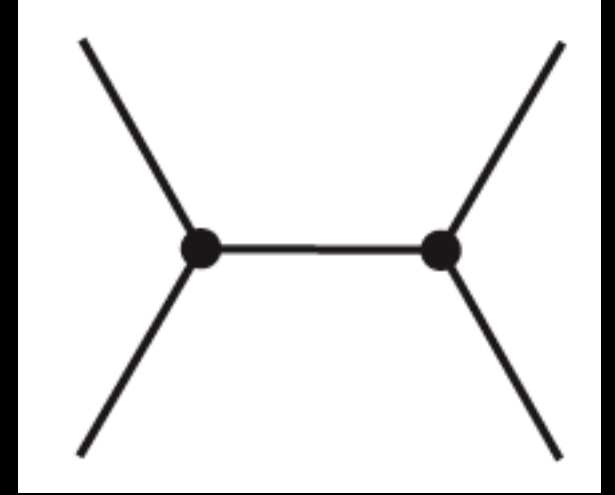
# Example: $g=0$ , $e=4$



- To compute the HS observe
- Higgs branch is the moduli space of 1 SO(8) instanton on  $R^4$
- HS was computed and gives

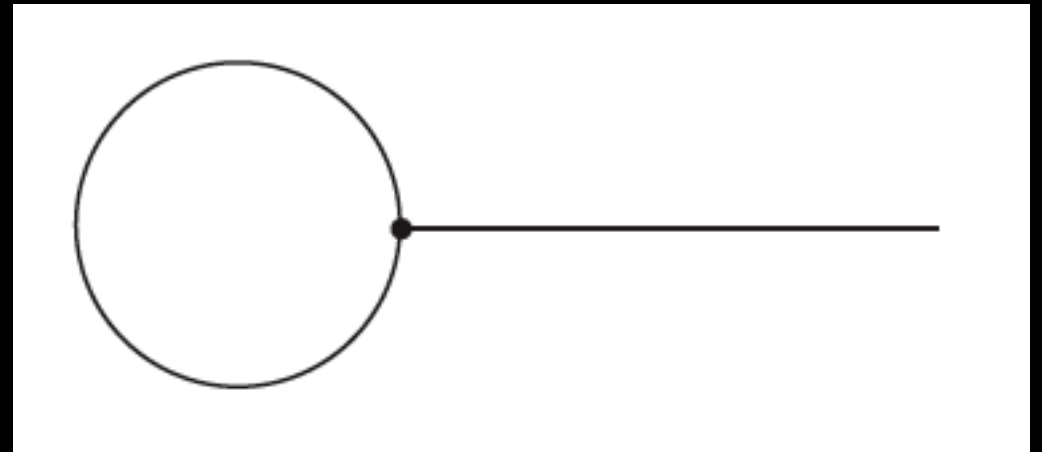
$$g_{N_c=2, N_f=4}(t, z_1, z_2, z_3, z_4) = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} [0, k, 0, 0]_{SO(8)} t^{2k}$$

# HS: $g=0$ , $e=4$



$$g_{N_c=2, N_f=4} = \frac{1}{1-t^4} \sum_{n_1, \dots, n_4, m=0}^{\infty} \left( [2n_1 + m; 2n_2 + m; 2n_3 + m; 2n_4 + m] t^{2n_1+2n_2+2n_3+2n_4+2m} + [2n_1 + m + 1; 2n_2 + m + 1; 2n_3 + m + 1; 2n_4 + m + 1] t^{2n_1+2n_2+2n_3+2n_4+2m+4} \right) . \quad (4.7)$$

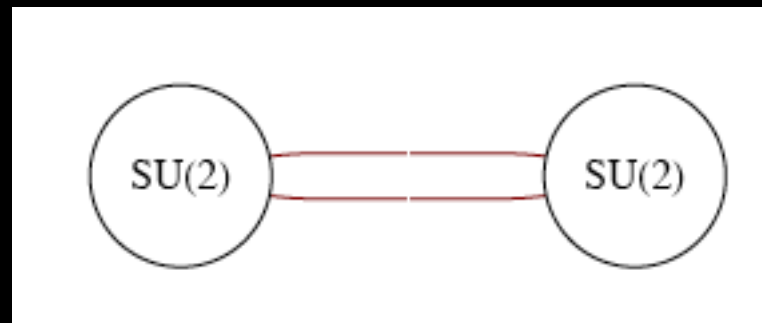
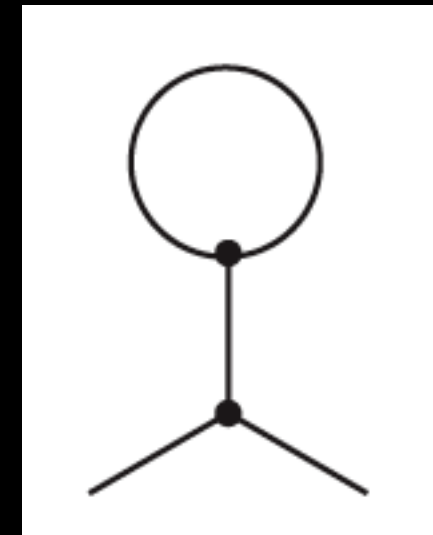
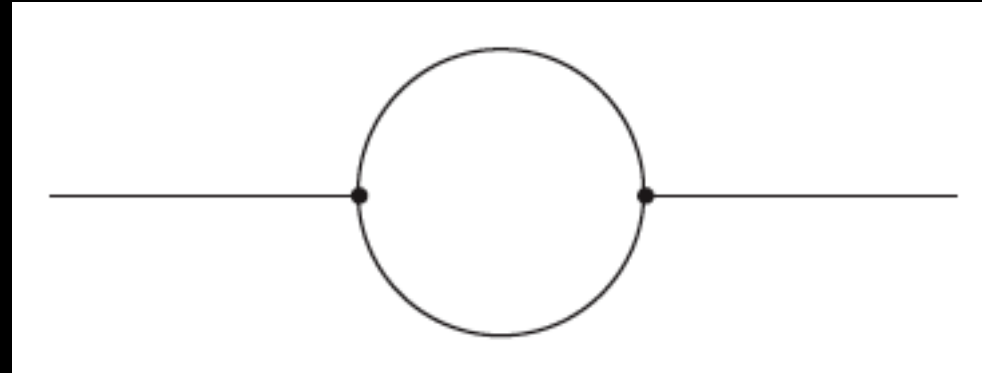
# $g=1, e=1$ another method



- two commuting adjoints
- symmetric product of 2  $C^2$  s

$$\begin{aligned}
 g_{\mathbb{C}^2/\mathbb{Z}_2 \times \mathbb{C}^2}(t, x) &= \frac{1}{2} \left[ \frac{1}{\left(1 - \frac{t}{x}\right)(1 - tx)} + \frac{1}{\left(1 + \frac{t}{x}\right)(1 + tx)} \right] \times \frac{1}{\left(1 - \frac{t}{x}\right)(1 - tx)} \\
 &= (1 - t^4) \text{PE} \left[ [1]t + [2]t^2 \right] .
 \end{aligned} \tag{5.8}$$

# Example: $g=1$ , $e=2$



$$g_{A_1}(t, x_1, x_2) = \frac{1}{1-t^4} \sum_{n_1, n_2, m=0}^{\infty} [2n_1 + m; 2n_2 + m] t^{2n_1+2n_2+2m} \\ + [2n_1 + m + 1; 2n_2 + m + 1] t^{2n_1+2n_2+2m+4} .$$

# Example: $g=2, e=0$

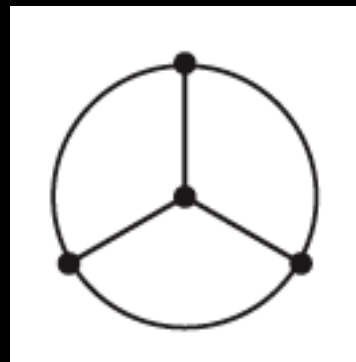
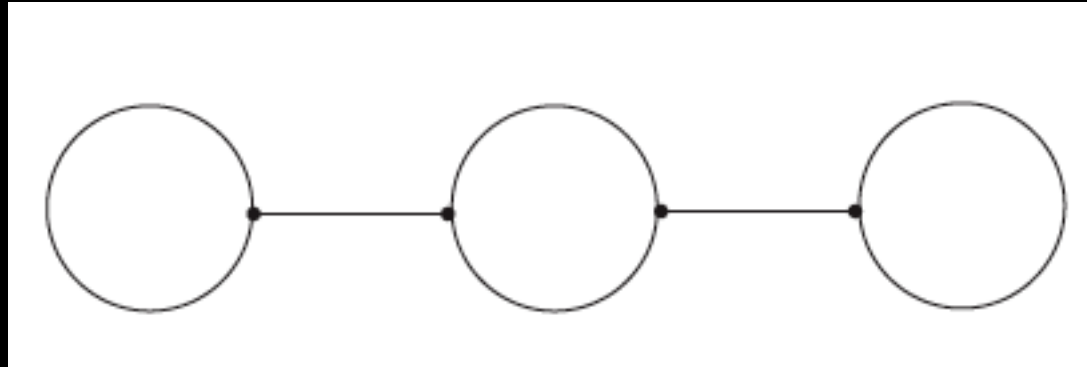


$\mathbb{C}^2 / \hat{D}_3$

$$\begin{aligned}
 g_D(t) &= \int d\mu_{SU(2)}(z) g_{\text{tadpole}}(t, z) g_{\text{glue}}(t, z) g_{\text{tadpole}}(t, z) \\
 &= \oint_{|z|=1} \frac{dz}{z} (1 - z^2) \frac{(1 - t^4)^2 \text{PE} [2[1]_z t + 2[2]_z t^2]}{\text{PE} [[2]_z t^2]} \\
 &= \frac{1 - t^8}{(1 - t^2)(1 - t^4)^2} .
 \end{aligned}$$



# examples: $g=3$ , $e=0$



# general case: (g,e)

$$g_{(g,e)}(t, x_1, \dots, x_e) = \frac{1}{1-t^4} \sum_{n_1=0}^{\infty} \cdots \sum_{n_e=0}^{\infty} \sum_{m=0}^{\infty} ([2n_1 + m, \dots, 2n_e + m] t^{2n_1 + \dots + 2n_e + \chi m} + [2n_1 + m + 1, \dots, 2n_e + m + 1] t^{2n_1 + \dots + 2n_e + \chi m + \chi + 2}) , \quad (7.1)$$

$$f_m(t, x) \equiv \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} [2n + m]_x t^{2n} = (1 - t^2) ([m]_x - [m - 2]_x t^2) \text{PE} [[2]t^2]$$

$$g_{(g,e)}(t, x_1, \dots, x_e) = \frac{1}{1-t^4} \sum_{m=0}^{\infty} \left( t^{\chi m} \prod_{i=1}^e f_m(t, x_i) + t^{\chi m + \chi + 2} \prod_{i=1}^e f_{m+1}(t, x_i) \right)$$

# generators

- $3e$  at dimension 2
- $2^e$  at dimension  $2g-2+e$
- Indication of the complexity at high  $e$
- HyperKahler moduli space
- of dimension  $e+1$
- with  $SU(2)^e$  isometry