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where $t = r + i\theta$

Finally, a $(0,2)$ superpotential is

$$S_W = \int d^2z d\theta^- \Lambda F(\Phi) + \int d^2z d\theta^+ \overline{\Lambda} \overline{F(\Phi)}$$

$$= \int d^2z \left(\lambda F(\phi) - \lambda \frac{\partial F}{\partial \phi} \psi \right) + h.c.$$

This is all that is required for $(0,2)$, but to describe $(2,2)$, need to "enlarge" the gauge multiplet. Introduce a complex fermionic superfield Σ & its conjugate $\bar{\Sigma}$ (no chiral constraint!)

New Gauge symmetry:

$$\Sigma \rightarrow \Sigma + i\Lambda \quad \bar{\Sigma} \rightarrow \bar{\Sigma} - i\bar{\Lambda}$$

$$\Lambda \rightarrow \Lambda + 2iQ\Lambda\Phi \quad \bar{\Lambda} \rightarrow \bar{\Lambda} - 2iQ\bar{\Lambda}\bar{\Phi}$$

all others invariant.

Σ has 4 indep components. The gauge sym allows us to gauge away 2 of them. The ones that remain ~~are~~ we'll call σ & β . The gauge-invariant

$$\bar{D}_+ \Sigma = \sigma + \theta^- \beta + \theta^- \theta^+ \partial_{\bar{z}} \sigma$$

The action S_Λ is not invariant under Λ -gauge transformations. Add:

$$S_\Sigma = \int d^2z d^2\theta \ 4Q^2 \tilde{\Phi} \tilde{\Phi} \bar{\Sigma} \Sigma - Q(\tilde{\Lambda} \tilde{\Phi} \Sigma - \tilde{\Phi} \tilde{\Lambda} \bar{\Sigma}) \quad \leftarrow \text{makes } S_\Lambda \text{ invariant}$$

$$+ \frac{1}{2e^2} (-\bar{D}_- \bar{\Sigma} \partial_{\bar{z}} \bar{D}_+ \Sigma + \partial_{\bar{z}} \bar{D}_- \bar{\Sigma} \bar{D}_+ \Sigma) \quad \leftarrow \text{gives } \Sigma \text{ a kinetic term}$$

In "W.E." Gauge,

$$S_\Sigma = \int d^2z \ 4Q^2 |\phi|^2 |\sigma|^2 + Q(\bar{\lambda} \psi \sigma - \lambda \bar{\psi} \bar{\sigma}) - Q(\beta \bar{\lambda} \phi - \bar{\beta} \lambda \bar{\phi})$$

$$+ \frac{1}{2e^2} (\partial \bar{\sigma} \bar{\partial} \sigma + \partial \sigma \bar{\partial} \bar{\sigma}) + \frac{1}{e^2} \bar{\beta} \partial_{\bar{z}} \beta$$

Example 1 $\mathbb{C}P^N$ $(2,2) \text{ L or M}$

$$\Phi^i, \Lambda^i \quad i=1, \dots, N+1 \quad \text{all charge } Q=1$$

After eliminating auxiliary field,

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{L} = & \text{(kinetic terms for } \phi, \psi, \lambda, \alpha, \beta, \sigma) + (\bar{\alpha} \bar{\psi}^i \phi^i - \alpha \psi^i \bar{\phi}^i) \\ & + (\bar{\beta} \lambda^i \bar{\phi}^i - \beta \bar{\lambda}^i \phi^i) + (\bar{\lambda}^i \psi^i \sigma - \lambda^i \bar{\psi}^i \bar{\sigma}) \\ & + 4 \sum_i |\phi^i|^2 |\sigma|^2 + \frac{e^2}{2} \left(\sum_i |\phi^i|^2 - r \right)^2 \\ & + \frac{1}{2e^2} f^2 + i\theta f \end{aligned}$$

Semiclassical analysis:

$$r \gg 0 \quad \text{Scalar potential must vanish} \Rightarrow \begin{cases} \sum_i |\phi^i|^2 = r \\ \sigma = 0 \end{cases}$$

sit on big sphere S^{2N+1}

but still have residual gauge inv. $\phi \rightarrow e^{i\theta} \phi$, etc., so
after modding out, ϕ 's live on $\mathbb{C}P^N$

$$(\mathbb{C}P^N = S^{2N+1} / U(1))$$

Fermions: Since ϕ has a VEV, one lin. comb. of ψ 's gets
a mass with α . Which lin. comb. is it?

$$\text{Let } \psi^i = \psi \phi^i$$

$$-\alpha \psi^i \bar{\phi}^i = -\alpha \psi |\phi^i|^2 = -r \alpha \psi$$

so it is the particular lin. comb. represented by ψ which
becomes massive. The remaining ψ 's transform as sections of the tangent bundle
to $\mathbb{C}P^N$.
mathematically,

$$0 \rightarrow \mathcal{O} \xrightarrow{\oplus \phi^i} \mathcal{O}(1)^{\oplus N+1} \rightarrow T_{\mathbb{C}P^N} \rightarrow 0$$

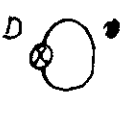
Disgression: Line bundles on $\mathbb{CP}^1$

Recall $\mathbb{CP}^N \simeq \mathbb{C}^{N+1}/\sim$, where $(z_0, z_1, \dots, z_N) \simeq (\lambda z_0, \lambda z_1, \dots, \lambda z_N)$, $\lambda \in \mathbb{C}^*$

$\mathcal{O}(-1)$, the "tautological line bundle" has, as fiber of the point $[z_0, \dots, z_N] \in \mathbb{CP}^N$, the complex line through the origin in $\mathbb{C}^{N+1}$ which passes through $(z_0, z_1, \dots, z_N)$

$\mathcal{O}(-n) \simeq \mathcal{O}(-1)^{\otimes n}$, negative powers mean positive powers of the dual line bundle.

• Fly in the ointment:

r is renormalized in this theory. There's a 1-loop ^{log-}divergent diagram  with ϕ 's running around the loop. The coefficient is $\sum Q_i$, where Q_i are the charges of the scalars in the model. The sign is such that $r(\mu)$ decreases in the IR. So, even if we start out at large r , where semiclassical is valid, we don't stay there.

But this is exactly the behaviour we expect. The $\mathbb{CP}^N$ NLSM also has a nonzero β -fun, and flows to strong coupling in the IR.

It develops a mass gap, and low-energy ~~that~~ is a $c=0$ ~~W~~ CFT (topological field theory)

Ex 2 Calabi-Yau Hypersurface in WIP^4

Φ^i, Λ^i charges w_i $i=1, \dots, 5$

P, Γ charge $-d$, where $d = \sum w_i$

(under R -gauge transfs, $\Gamma \rightarrow \Gamma - z i d R P$)

Action as before, but now add gauge-inv. superpotential

$$S_W = \int d^2z d\theta^- (\Gamma W(\Phi) + \Lambda^i P \frac{\partial W}{\partial \Phi^i}) + \text{h.c.}$$

Where $W(\Phi)$ is a ^{homogeneous} polynomial of (weighted) degree d in the Φ^i .

This is obviously invariant under χ -gauge transformations. Inv. under R holds by virtue of

$$\sum_i w_i \Phi^i \frac{\partial W}{\partial \Phi^i} = d W(\Phi)$$

Adding the superpotential introduces new terms in the scalar potential, from integrating out auxiliary fields in Λ^i, F^i :

$$\mathcal{U} = \frac{e^2}{2} \left(\sum_i w_i |\phi_i|^2 - d |\rho|^2 - r \right)^2 + |W|^2 + |\rho|^2 \left| \frac{\partial W}{\partial \rho} \right|^2 + 4 |\sigma|^2 \left(\sum_i w_i |\phi_i|^2 + d^2 |\rho|^2 \right)$$

Also, get some new Yukawa couplings:

$$\mathcal{L} = \dots - (\gamma \psi^i + \lambda^i \pi^i) \frac{\partial W}{\partial \phi^i} - \lambda^i \psi^i \rho \frac{\partial^2 W}{\partial \phi^i \partial \rho} + \text{h.c.}$$

We assume W such that $W = \frac{\partial W}{\partial \phi^i} = 0 \Rightarrow \forall \phi_i = 0$

Semiclassical analysis

$$\underline{r \gg 0} \quad \sum_i w_i |\phi_i|^2 = r$$

$$\rho = 0$$

$$\sigma = 0$$

$$\text{and } W(\phi) = 0 \Rightarrow$$

after modding out $U(1)$

live on hypersurface $W(\phi) = 0$

in $W\mathbb{P}^4$

fermions: As before, one lin. comb. of ψ^i gets a mass with the gauge fermion. Another lin. comb. gets a mass from

$$- \gamma \psi^i \frac{\partial W}{\partial \phi^i}$$

Mathematically:

$$0 \rightarrow \mathcal{O} \xrightarrow{\oplus w_i \phi^i} \oplus_i \mathcal{O}(w_i) \xrightarrow{\oplus \frac{\partial W}{\partial \phi^i}} \mathcal{O}(d) \rightarrow 0$$

$$T_M = \frac{\ker(g)}{\text{im}(f)}$$

$$\underline{r \rightarrow 0} \quad |\rho|^2 = \frac{|r|}{d}, \quad \phi = 0, \quad \sigma = 0$$

γ gets a mass with the gauge fermion $\bar{\beta}$ (from $\mathcal{L} = \dots - d \bar{\beta} \gamma \bar{\rho} + \dots$)
 π gets a mass with the gauge fermion α (from $\mathcal{L} = \dots + d \alpha \pi \bar{\rho} + \dots$)

Low energy theory described by a superpotential

$$\int d^2z d\bar{\theta} \text{ const } \Lambda^i \frac{\partial W}{\partial \Phi^i} + \text{h.c.}$$

This should be recognizable as the superpotential for (2,2) Landau-Ginzburg theory.

Actually, it is an L.G. orbifold. Since p had charge $-d$, giving it a VEV doesn't completely break the gauge symmetry. Gauge transformations by d^{th} roots of unity still unbroken: $U(1) \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}_d$.
should still mod out our L.G. theory by $\mathbb{Z}_d$.

Ex 3 The superpotential of Ex 2 was not the most general one compatible with $\mathbb{Z}$ -gauge transformations.

More generally,

$$S_W = \int d^2z d\bar{\theta} \left(\Gamma W(\Phi) + \Lambda^i p F_i(\Phi) \right) + \text{h.c.}$$

where

$$(*) \quad \sum_i w_i \Phi^i F_i(\Phi) = d W(\Phi)$$

is invariant under $\mathbb{Z}$. Generically, this breaks (2,2) SUSY, preserv. (0,2).

E_9 , for $W(\Phi)$ quintic polynomial in $\mathbb{CP}^4$, there is a 224 dimensional space of F_i satisfying (*)

But rank of V remains $r=3$. So E_6 is unbroken & (one can show) $\# 27s$ & $\# \overline{27}s$ is unchanged.

r220 The right-moving fermions ψ^i which remain massless, again, transform as sections of T . But the left-moving fermions transform as sections of V (a holomorphic deformation of T),
where

$$0 \rightarrow \mathcal{O} \xrightarrow{\otimes w_i \psi^i} \bigoplus_i \mathcal{O}(w_i) \xrightarrow{\otimes F_i(\Phi)} \mathcal{O}(d) \rightarrow 0 \quad V = \frac{\ker(g)}{\text{im}(f)}$$

Ex 4

Why do we need Σ multiplet & corresponding Ω gauge-inv.?

Say, we dispensed with them and considered

$$S_W = \int d^2x d\theta^- \left(\Gamma W(\Phi) + \Lambda^i P F_i(\Phi) \right) + \text{h.c.}$$

Where now, since we are freed of the Ω -gauge invariance conditions, we can take the $F_i(\Phi)$ to be arbitrary.

Recall that previously (for C.Y. phase, $r \gg 0$) there were two mass terms for the left-moving fermions

$$\mathcal{L} = \dots + w_i \bar{\psi} \lambda^i \bar{\Phi}^i - \lambda^i \pi F_i(\Phi) + \text{h.c.}$$

Now there's only one (since $\bar{\psi}$ is absent from the theory.)

So V is defined by

$$0 \rightarrow V \rightarrow \bigoplus_i \mathcal{O}(w_i) \xrightarrow{\otimes F_i(\Phi)} \mathcal{O}(d) \rightarrow 0$$

V now has rank $r=4$.

It turns out that this theory is ill-behaved; we'll see why later.

Ex 5

Since the Λ 's are now supposed to be unrelated to the Φ 's, we shouldn't give them the same label & assume they have the same gauge charges.

So

$$S_W = \int d^2x d\theta^- \left(\Gamma W(\Phi) + \Lambda^a P F_a(\Phi) \right)$$

Where now

field	charge
Φ^i	w_i
P	$-m$
Λ^a	n_a
Γ	-1

We still require:

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} \sum_i w_i = d \\ \sum_a n_a = m \end{array} \right\} \xleftrightarrow[\text{in semiclassical } r \gg 0 \text{ analysis}]{\text{in semiclassical } r \gg 0 \text{ analysis}} \left\{ \begin{array}{l} C_1(T) = 0 \\ C_1(V) = 0 \end{array} \right.$$

