

# Derivation of the Intriligator-Leigh-Seiberg linearity principle from Dijkgraaf-Vafa

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# 1. Introduction to DV

$d = 4, \mathcal{N} = 1$  **DUALITY** Old  
**SYM theories**  $\iff$  **matrix models**

- **Gauge Theory** :  $N_c$  **Finite and Fixed**  
 $\Phi$ : adjoint,  $N_c \times N_c$   
 $S$ : gaugino condensate  $\text{tr } W^\alpha W_\alpha$   
 $W_\alpha$ : ( $\lambda_\alpha$  (gaugino),  $F_{\mu\nu}^+$  (field strength))
  
- **Matrix Model** : **Planar Limit**  
 $\Phi$ :  $M \times M$  matrix,  
 $S$ : 't Hooft coupling  $M \rightarrow \infty$  with  $S$  fixed

<b>Gauge</b>	<b>Matrix</b>
<b>Bare</b> superpotential $W_{\text{tree}}(\Phi)$	<b>Action</b> $W_{\text{tree}}(\Phi)$
$\Downarrow$	$\Downarrow$
<b>Eff.</b> superpotential $W_{\text{eff}}(S)$	<b>Free energy</b> $\mathcal{F}(S)$

- The Correspondence :

$$W_{\text{eff}}(S) = N_c \frac{\partial \mathcal{F}}{\partial S}$$

conjectured to be **EXACT**

# First Indication — Factorization

## ★ Matrix Model Side

Example:

$$\int d\Phi \exp \left[ -\frac{M}{S} \left( \frac{1}{2} m \operatorname{tr} \Phi^2 + \frac{1}{3} g \operatorname{tr} \Phi^3 \right) \right]$$


• (Propagators)<sup>-1</sup> and couplings  $\propto M/S$

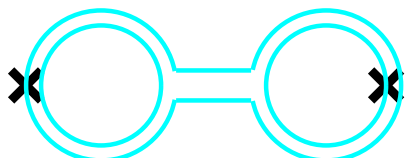
•  $\underbrace{V}_{\text{vertices}} - \underbrace{E}_{\text{propagators}} + \underbrace{h}_{\text{index loops}} = \underbrace{\chi}_{\text{Euler\#}}$

$$\text{diagram} \propto M^h \left( \frac{M}{S} \right)^{V-E} = M^\chi S^{V-E}$$

$M \rightarrow \infty$ , **planars** dominate,  
correlation functions **factorize**:

in  $\langle AB \rangle$ ,

  $\langle A \rangle \langle B \rangle$   $h = 5 \rightsquigarrow M^4 S^2$

  $\langle AB \rangle_{\text{conn.}}$   $h = 3 \rightsquigarrow M^2 S^2$

$$(E = 5, V = 4)$$

## ★Gauge theory side

Chiral VEVs factorize:

$$\langle \Phi_1(x) \Phi_2(y) \rangle = \langle \Phi_1(x) \rangle \langle \Phi_2(y) \rangle$$

Because

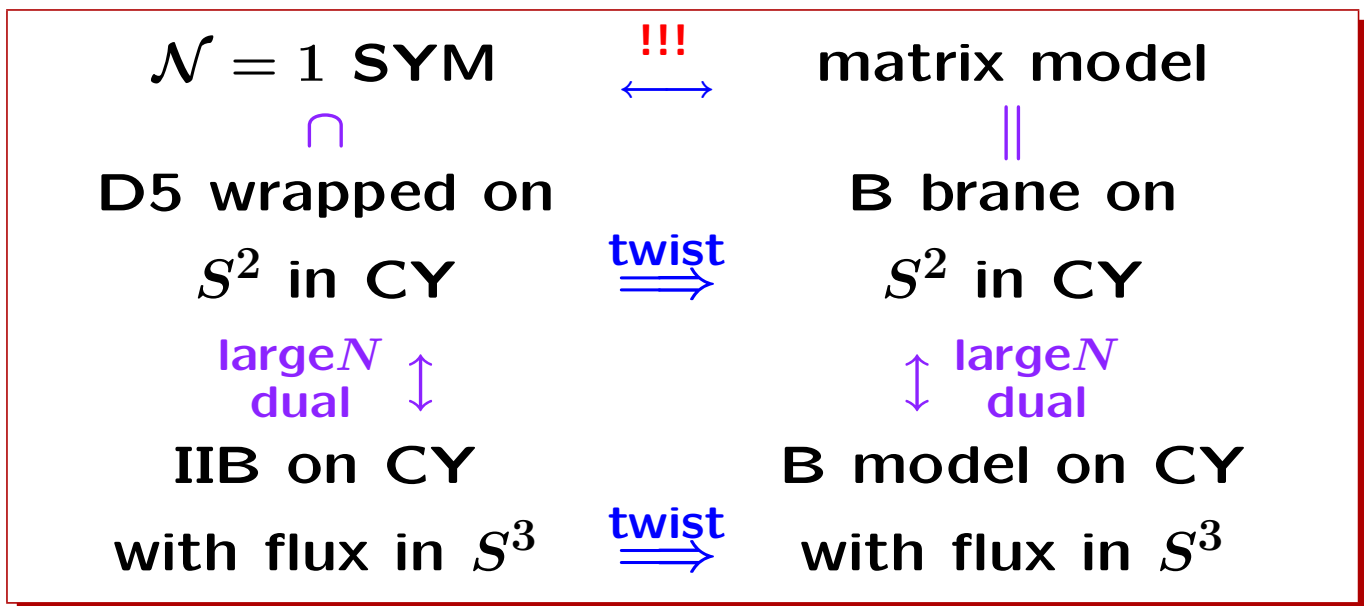
- $\partial_\mu \Phi_1(x) = \{\bar{D}, [D, \Phi_1(x)]\}$  is  $\bar{D}$ -exact.
- Hence,

$$\begin{aligned} \partial_\mu \langle \Phi_1(x) \Phi_2(y) \rangle &= \langle \{\bar{D}, [D, \Phi_1(x)]\} \Phi_2(y) \rangle \\ &= \langle [D, \Phi_1(x)] \{\bar{D}, \Phi_2(y)\} \rangle \\ &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

- Next, Take  $|x - y| \rightarrow \infty$
- Finally use the Cluster Property.

## Stringy ideas behind the proposal

DV arrived this proposal  
by chasing the following dualities:



## Checking the proposal

$$W_{\text{tree}} = 0$$

Known Exact Results  
(ADS superpotential,  
SW curve...)



Use the (conjectured)  
ILS linearity!  
(more on this in section 2.)



$$W_{\text{tree}} \neq 0$$

$$W_{\text{eff}}(S)$$



Use Matrix Model!



$$W_{\text{tree}}(\Phi)$$

## Field-theoretic derivations

There are two:

- **Dijkgraaf-Grisaru-Lam-Vafa-Zanon**  
Perturbation in an external gaugino  
(more on this in section 3.)
- **Cachazo-Douglas-Seiberg-Witten** ,  
**Seiberg**

Factorization and generalized anomaly



We can now **use** DV to study SYM!

An example:

the **ILS linearity principle** from DV

## 2. Brief Review of ILS

From the bare lagrangian

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{bare}} = \mathcal{L}_0 + \int d^2\theta W_{\text{tree}}(\Phi) + c.c.,$$

$$\text{where } W_{\text{tree}} = \sum g_i \mathcal{O}_i$$

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To the low energy superpotential

$$\int d^2\theta W_{\text{eff}}(\Phi)$$

### holomorphy

Coupling constants  $g_i$  as the vevs of chiral superfields

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$W_{\text{eff}}(\Phi)$  depends **only on  $g_i$** , not on  $\bar{g}_i$ .

### symmetry

- Many classical symmetries on chiral superfields and coupling constants.
- Even anomalous symmetries are useful once one assigns charges to the dynamical scale  $\Lambda$  appropriately.



## classical and perturbative limit

- In the classical limit  $\Lambda \rightarrow 0$  ,  $W_{\text{eff}}(\Phi)$  must approach  $W_{\text{tree}}(\Phi)$ .
- If one takes some coupling  $g_i \rightarrow 0$  ,  $W_{\text{eff}}$  should smoothly become  $W_{\text{tree}}$ .



$W_{\text{eff}}$  **does not contain negative powers** of  $\Lambda$  and  $g_i$ .

**Strong constraint for in  $W_{\text{eff}}(\Phi)$  ,  
fixing completely in some simple cases .**

## Example.

$SU(N_c)$  SYM with  $N_f < N_c$  pairs of quarks  $Q_i$  and  $\tilde{Q}_i$ .

- Gauge invariants are

$$T_{ij} = Q_i \tilde{Q}_j.$$

- $W_{\text{tree}} = m_{ij} T_{ij}$  as the bare superpotential
- $SU(N_f) \times SU(N_f)$  flavor symmetry on quarks and antiquarks.

- R-charges:

	$\theta$	$Q$	$\tilde{Q}$	$m$	$W_\alpha$
R-charge	1	0	0	2	1

- The anomaly from

$$q \rightarrow e^{-i\phi} q, \quad \lambda \rightarrow e^{+i\phi} \lambda,$$

leads to:

$$\theta \rightarrow \theta + 2(N_c - N_f)\phi.$$

Because

$$\Lambda^{3N_c - N_f} \sim \Lambda_0^{3N_c - N_f} \exp\left(-\frac{8\pi^2}{g_0^2} + i\theta\right),$$

the R-charge of  $\Lambda^{3N_c - N_f}$  is  $2(N_c - N_f)$ .

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$$W_{\text{eff}} = c \left( \frac{\Lambda^{3N_c - N_f}}{\det T_{ij}} \right)^{1/(N_c - N_f)} + \underbrace{m_{ij} T_{ij}},$$

the coeff. is fixed by  $m \rightarrow 0$  limit.

## the linearity principle

- The result can be summarized as

$$W_{\text{eff}} = \underbrace{W_{\text{n.p.}}}_{\substack{\text{non-perturbative,} \\ \text{independent of} \\ \text{coupling constants}}} + W_{\text{tree}}$$

- Various other models have this form. ILS proposed this linearity as an organizing **principle**.
- However, symmetry arguments are **not always strong enough**.

## Another Example

- Consider  $\mathcal{N} = 1$   $SU(N_c)$  SYM with one adjoint  $\Phi$ .
- The R-charge of  $\Lambda$  is **zero**.
- Introduce the bare superpotential  
 $m \text{tr} \Phi^2 / 2$ .
- Symmetry alone cannot exclude the corrections of the form  $m\Lambda^2$ .

### 3. Brief Review of DGLVZ

How to derive Dijkgraaf-Vafa?



Directly equate **Feynman rules** in the **gauge theory** and in the **matrix model**.

#### Strategy

1. Introduce an **external** gauge superfield. In particular, introduce a **space-time constant gaugino**.
2. Perturbatively integrate out the matter superfields.  $W_{\text{inst}}(S)$
3. Make the gauge superfield dynamical.

$$W_{\text{eff}}(S) = \underbrace{W_{\text{VY}}(S)}_{\substack{\text{dynamical effect} \\ \text{from the gauge superfield}}} + W_{\text{inst}}(S)$$

Feynman rules for **step 2**

= Feynman rules for **Matrix Model**

## the propagator

$$\langle \Phi \Phi \rangle = \frac{\bar{m}}{p^2 + m\bar{m} + W^\alpha \pi_\alpha}$$

where

- $p$  : bosonic momentum,
- $W^\alpha$  : field strength superfield,
- $\pi_\alpha$  : fermionic momentum.

Integration of loop momenta:

$$\prod_{a=1}^l \left( \int \frac{d^4 p_a}{(2\pi)^4} \int d^2 \pi_a \right)$$

$\implies$  Every  $l$ -loop diagram carries a factor of  $W_\alpha^{2l}$ .

$\implies$  if  $W_\alpha = 0$ , no correction to  $F$  terms.

This is the **Perturbative  
Non-Renormalization Theorem!**

What if  $W_\alpha \neq 0$ ?

## Origin of Planarity

- $\text{tr } W_\alpha^m$  is  $\bar{D}$ -exact for  $m \geq 3$ , i.e.  $\sim$  zero in the  $F$  terms. (CDSW)

- Therefore,  $W_{\text{eff}}$  is a function of

$$32\pi S = \text{tr } W^\alpha W_\alpha.$$



To give  $W_\alpha^{2l}$  requires at least  $l$  index loops.

- # of index loops  $h$  satisfies

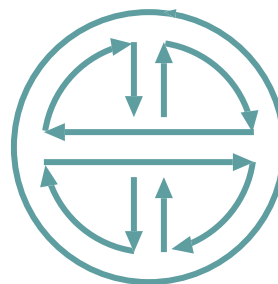
$$h = l + 1 - 2 \times \text{genus}.$$



$$l = 3$$



$$h = 4$$



$$l = 3$$



$$h = 2$$

Only **GENUS 0** diagrams contribute!

- Further tricks reveal the resulting Feynman rules are **the same** as those of the matrix models in the planar limit.

## Making the vector superfield dynamical

This introduces the Veneziano-Yankielowicz term

$$W_{\mathbf{VY}} = N_c S \left(1 - \log \frac{S}{\Lambda^3}\right).$$

( $\Lambda$ : the dynamical scale of SQCD)

There are arguments against further corrections.

The total effective superpotential:

$$W_{\text{eff}}(S) = W_{\mathbf{VY}}(S) + W_{\text{inst}}(S).$$

- $\langle S \rangle$  is determined by the extremalization

$$\partial W_{\text{eff}} / \partial S = 0.$$

- For  $W_{\text{tree}} = \sum g_i \mathcal{O}_i$ , the vevs are

$$\begin{aligned} \langle \mathcal{O}_i \rangle &= \frac{\partial}{\partial g_i} W_{\text{eff}}(\langle S \rangle, g_i) \\ &= \left. \frac{\partial W_{\text{eff}}}{\partial g_i} \right|_S + \frac{\partial \langle S \rangle}{\partial g_i} \left. \frac{\partial W_{\text{eff}}}{\partial S} \right|_{g_i} = \left. \frac{\partial W_{\text{eff}}}{\partial g_i} \right|_S. \end{aligned}$$

## 4. ILS from DGLVZ

- Introduce  $W_{\text{tree}} = \sum g_i \mathcal{O}_i$ .
- From DV, calculate  $W_{\text{eff}}$  and  $\langle W_{\text{tree}} \rangle$  in  $W_{\text{eff}} = W_{\text{n.p.}} + \langle W_{\text{tree}} \rangle$ .
- IS  $W_{\text{n.p.}}$  **independent of  $g_i$**  as a function of  $\Lambda$ ,  $g_i$  and  $\langle \mathcal{O}_i \rangle$ ? This is the linearity principle.

**Note:**

$$\begin{array}{rcl}
 \frac{\partial W}{\partial S} = 0 & W_{\text{eff}} & = W_{\text{vY}} + W_{\text{inst}} \\
 & \Downarrow & \\
 & \langle W_{\text{eff}} \rangle & \\
 & | & \\
 & \langle W_{\text{tree}} \rangle & \text{Calculate separately} \\
 & || & \\
 & W_{\text{n.p.}} & 
 \end{array}$$



## Restriction on the matter rep.

We impose:

- **Vector-like** , i.e. gauge-invariant mass terms can be given to all fields.
- No  $U(1)$  factor left in low energy.
- Each gauge invariants  $\mathcal{O}_i$  is a polynomial of  $F_a$ 's. e.g.  
 $F_i = \text{tr } \Phi^i$ , ( $i = 1, \dots, N_c$ )  
 $\mathcal{O} = F_i F_j F_k \dots = (\text{tr } \Phi^i)(\text{tr } \Phi^j)$ , etc.
- Either the R-charge of  $\Lambda$  vanishes, or satisfies the **Restriction** (**♣**) :

**no dynamical** constraints

among  $\langle F_a \rangle$

$$P(\langle F_1 \rangle, \langle F_2 \rangle, \dots) = 0.$$

## on constraints...

(♣) may sound a serious restriction, but it is **NOT!**

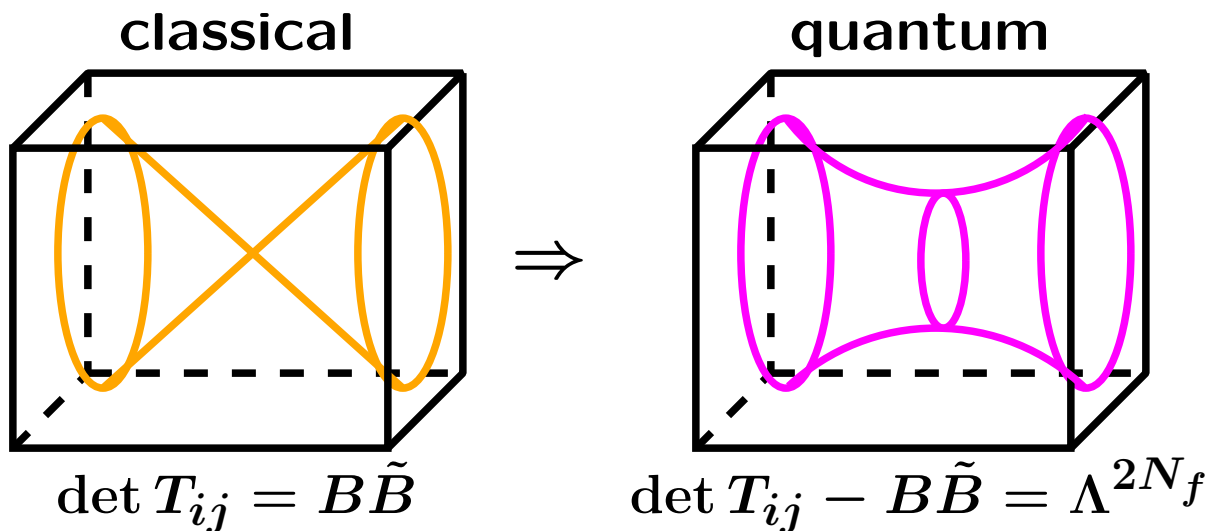
Example:  $SU(N_c)$  SYM with  $N_f$  pairs of fundamentals  $Q_i, \tilde{Q}_i$ .

Gauge invariants:

$$T_{ij} = Q_i^a \tilde{Q}_{ja},$$
$$B_{ijkl\dots} = \epsilon_{abc\dots} Q_i^a Q_j^b Q_k^c \dots$$
$$\tilde{B}_{ijkl\dots} = \epsilon_{abc\dots} \tilde{Q}_i^a \tilde{Q}_j^b \tilde{Q}_k^c \dots$$

$N_c > N_f$  : No constraints.

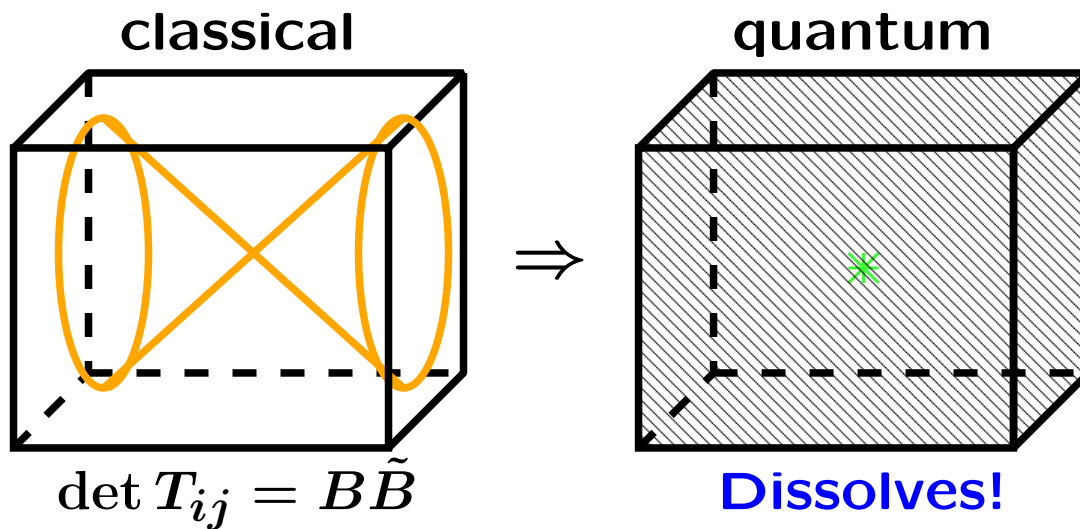
$N_c = N_f$  : One constraint:



However, R-charge of  $\Lambda$  is **zero**.

$\rightsquigarrow$  **need not impose (♣)!**

$N_c < N_f$  :



Satisfies (**♣**)!

- The  $SO$ ,  $Sp$  cases are quite similar.
- (Non-)existence of constraints can be checked by DV. (more about this later...)

How to prove the ILS from the DV?

Strategy

- **Step 1.** Shows  $W_{\text{n.p.}} = (N_c - N_f)\langle S \rangle$ .
- **Step 2.** Shows, if there's no dynamical constraint ( $\clubsuit$ ),

$$\langle S \rangle = f(\langle F_i \rangle, \Lambda, \cancel{g_i})$$

Do not depend explicitly on  $g_i$ .



- If the R-charge of  $\Lambda$  vanishes,  $W_{\text{n.p.}} = 0$  from Step 1.
- If it does not vanish, by the restriction ( $\clubsuit$ ) and Step 2,  $W_{\text{n.p.}} \propto S$  is independent of the coupling constants.

**This is the linearity principle. Q.E.D.**

## Step 1.

We show  $W_{\text{n.p.}} = (N_c - N_f)S$ .

- $$\underbrace{V}_{\#(\text{vertices})} - \underbrace{E}_{\#(\text{propagators})} + \underbrace{L}_{\#(\text{loops})} = 1$$

- $V$ ,  $E$  and  $L$  can be counted by

$$g_j \partial / \partial g_j, \quad -m_i \partial / \partial m_i, \quad S \partial / \partial S$$

↓

$$\left(1 - S \frac{\partial}{\partial S}\right) D = \underbrace{\left(\sum m_i \frac{\partial}{\partial m_i} + \sum g_j \frac{\partial}{\partial g_j}\right) D}_{\text{the contrib. of } D \text{ to } \langle W_{\text{tree}} \rangle}.$$

- One loop diagrams  $\propto N_f S \log m \Rightarrow$   
Another contrib.  $N_f S$  to  $\langle W_{\text{tree}} \rangle \Rightarrow$

$$\langle W_{\text{tree}} \rangle = N_f S + \left(1 - S \frac{\partial}{\partial S}\right) \sum D$$

- Because  $\frac{\partial W_{\text{eff}}}{\partial S} = \frac{\partial}{\partial S} (W_{\text{VY}} + \sum D) = 0$ ,

$$\langle W_{\text{tree}} \rangle = \sum D + S \frac{\partial W_{\text{VY}}}{\partial S}.$$

- Hence  $W_{\text{n.p.}} = (N_c - N_f)S$ .

Note  $N_c - N_f$  is half the R-charge of  $\Lambda^\beta$

## Step 2.

We show  $S$  is **independent of  $g_i$**  when expressed as a function of  $\Lambda$  and  $\langle O_i \rangle$ .

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The same as inquiring whether  $S$  does **not change** when  $g_i$ 's are varied as long as  $\langle O_i \rangle$  remain fixed .

by the factorization,  
the same as fixing  $\langle F_a \rangle$

Take  $O_1 = F_1, O_2 = F_2, \dots, O_r = F_r$ , and  $O_i$  ( $i > r$ ) be polynomials

### <DERIVATION>

- From  $\delta(\partial W_{\text{eff}}/\partial S) = 0$ ,

$$-\frac{\partial^2 W_{\text{eff}}}{\partial S \partial S} \delta \langle S \rangle = \sum_i \delta g_i \frac{\partial^2 W_{\text{eff}}}{\partial g_i \partial S}.$$

- Hence  $\delta \langle F_j \rangle = \sum_i \delta g_i G_{ij}$  where

$$\begin{aligned} G_{ij} &= \frac{\partial^2 W_{\text{eff}}}{\partial g_i \partial g_j} - \frac{\partial^2 W_{\text{eff}}}{\partial g_i \partial S} \frac{\partial^2 W_{\text{eff}}}{\partial S \partial g_j} / \frac{\partial^2 W_{\text{eff}}}{\partial S \partial S} \\ &= \frac{\partial \langle O_i \rangle}{\partial g_j} - \frac{\partial \langle O_i \rangle}{\partial S} \frac{\partial^2 W_{\text{eff}}}{\partial S \partial g_j} / \frac{\partial^2 W_{\text{eff}}}{\partial S \partial S}. \end{aligned}$$

- From factorization,

$$G_{ij} = \left\langle \frac{\partial O_i}{\partial F_a} \right\rangle G_{aj}.$$

Hence

$$\delta \langle F_j \rangle = \underbrace{\sum_a}_{\text{over } 1, 2, \dots, r} \left( \delta g_i \left\langle \frac{\partial O_i}{\partial F_a} \right\rangle \right) G_{aj}$$

This sum only runs over  $1, 2, \dots, r$

- Similarly, one obtains

$$-\frac{\partial^2 W_{\text{eff}}}{\partial S \partial S} \delta \langle S \rangle = \sum_a \left( \delta g_i \left\langle \frac{\partial O_i}{\partial F_a} \right\rangle \right) \frac{\partial \langle F_a \rangle}{\partial S}$$

- The restriction ( $\clubsuit$ ) ensures that the rank of  $G_{ij}$  is maximal.

Thus,  $\delta \langle F_i \rangle = 0$  implies  $\delta \langle S \rangle = 0$ .

N.B.

When the rank of  $G_{ij}$  is not maximal,  $G_{ij}$  contains the info of the dynamical constraints. Further,  $G_{ij}$  can be computed perturbatively!



The dynamical constraints, if any, can be readily studied in this approach.



## 5. Conclusions

### Summary

- We derived the ILS linearity principle in the framework of Dijkgraaf-Vafa

### Future work

Directly related to this work:

- Lifting the restriction ()

More generally, interesting directions around the DV framework are:

- Direct topological twisting of  $\mathcal{N} = 1$  SYM theories
- Extending to matter superfields not in a vector-like representation.