

5d and 6d Superconformal Field Theories

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 - Intriligator: Anomalies, RG Flows, and the a-theorem in 6d (1,0) theories
 - Heckman: Geometries of 6d (1,0) SCFTs
 - Jaemo Park: Self-dual strings in 6d SCFT and instanton counting in 5d SCFT

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6d SCFTs

- N=(2,0) SCFTs: ADE (nonabelian tensor multiplet)
 - A_N on N M5 branes, D_N on N M5+OM5 branes
 - type IIB on ADE singularity
- N=(1,0) SCFTs: quiver with multiple nonabelian YMs + tensor multiplets + hypermultiplets
 - M5 branes on Γ_{ADE} singularity
 - M5 branes near $E_8 M9$ wall

Anomaly Free Condition on (1,0) SCFTs

gaugino (1,0)

tensor (0,1)

hyper (0,1)

ε -spinor (1,0)

$$\mathrm{Tr}_R F^4 = \alpha_R \mathrm{tr} F^4 + c_R (\mathrm{tr} F^2)^2$$

$$\alpha_R = 0 \text{ for } SU(2), SU(3), G_2, SO(8), F_4, E_6, E_7, E_8$$

$$c_{\mathrm{tot}} = \left[c_{Ad} - \sum_{R \text{ matter}} c_R \right] \geq 0$$

Green-Schwarz Mechanism

$$H^2 + \sqrt{c_{\mathrm{tot}}} B \wedge \mathrm{tr} F \wedge F + \sqrt{c_{\mathrm{tot}}} \Phi \mathrm{tr} F^2$$

$$dH = \sqrt{c_{\mathrm{tot}}} \mathrm{tr} F \wedge F$$

Global Anomaly free condition

- Bershadsky and Vafa, 9703167
- Global Anomaly: $SU(2), SU(3), G_2,$

$$\pi_6(SU(2)) = \mathbf{Z}_{12}, \quad \pi_6(SU(3)) = \mathbf{Z}_6, \quad \pi_6(G_2) = \mathbf{Z}_3$$

$$n_2 - 4 = 0 \bmod 2 \text{ for } SU(2)$$

$$n_3 - n_6 = 0 \bmod 6 \text{ for } SU(3)$$

$$n_7 - 1 = 0 \bmod 3 \text{ for } G_2$$

Type	Name	dimension	α_R	c_R
$SU(n \geq 4)$				
Complex	fund	n	1	0
Complex	asym	$\frac{n(n-1)}{2}$	$n - 8$	3
Complex	sym	$\frac{n(n+1)}{2}$	$n + 8$	3
Strictly real	adj	$n^2 - 1$	$2n$	6
$SO(n \geq 7)$				
Strictly real	vect	n	1	0
Strictly real	adj	$n(n - 1)/2$	$n - 8$	3
$USp(n \geq 4)$				
Pseudo-real	vect	n	1	0
Strictly real	asym	$\frac{(n+1)(n-2)}{2}$	$n - 8$	3
Strictly real	adj	$\frac{n(n+1)}{2}$	$n + 8$	3

Group	Type	Name	Dimension	α_R	c_R
SU(2)	Pseudo-real	fund	2	0	1/2
SU(2)	Strictly real	adj	3	0	8
SU(3)	Complex	fund	3	0	1/2
SU(3)	Complex	sym	6	0	17/2
SU(3)	Strictly real	adj	8	0	9
SU(6)	Pseudo-real	asym3	20	-6	6
SO(7)	Strictly real	S	8	-1/2	3/8
SO(8)	Strictly real	S	8	-1/2	3/8
SO(9)	Strictly real	S	16	-1	3/4
SO(10)	Complex	S	16	-1	3/4
SO(11)	Pseudo-real	S	32	-2	3/2
SO(12)	Pseudo-real	S	32	-2	3/2
SO(13)	Pseudo-real	S	64	-4	3
SO(14)	Complex	S	64	-4	3
E ₆	Complex	fund	27	0	1/12
E ₆	Strictly real	adj	78	0	1/2
E ₇	Pseudo-real	fund	28	0	1/24
E ₇	Strictly real	adj	133	0	1/6
E ₈	Strictly real	adj	248	0	1/100
F ₄	Strictly real	fund	26	0	1/12
F ₄	Strictly real	adj	52	0	5/12
G ₂	Strictly real	fund	7	0	1/4
G ₂	Strictly real	adj	14	0	5/2

Simple Gauge group without no quartic

- $SU(2)$: $n_2=4, 10, 16$ (LST)
- $SU(3)$: $n_3=0, 6, 12, 18$ (LST)
- G_2 : $n_7=1, 4, 7, 10$ (LST)
- $SO(8)$: $n(v,c,s)$ or $n(v,2s)=0, 1, 2, 3, 4$ (LST)
- F_4 : $n_{26}=0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5$ (LST)
- E_6 : $n_{27}=0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6$ (LST)
- E_7 : $n_{56/2}=0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8$ (LST)

Simple Gauge group: quartic

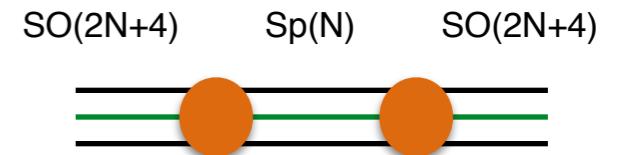
- $SU(N)$ $N>3$: $n_F=2N$, or $n_F=n+8$ and $n_A=1$,
- $SU(N)$ $N>3$: or $n_F=8$ and $n_A=2$ (LST), or $n_S=1$ and $n_A=1$ (LST)
- $Sp(N)$ $N>1$: $n_F=2N+8$, $n_F=16$ and $n_A=1$ (LST)
- $SO(N)$: $n_v=N-8$, $N>7$
- $SU(6)$: $n_F= 15$ and $n_{A/2}=1$, $n_F=18$ and $n_{A/2}=2$ (LST)
- $SO(7)$: $n_v=k-1$ and $n_s=2k$ with $k=1,2,3,4$ (LST)
- $SO(9)$: $n_v=k+1$ and $n_s=k$ with $k=0,1,2,3,4$ (LST)
- $SO(10)$: $n_v=k+2$ and $n_s=k$ with $k=0,1,2,3,4$ (LST)
- $SO(11)$: $n_v=k+3$ and $n_s=k$ with $k=0,1,2$ (LST)
- $SO(12)$: $n_v=k+4$ and $n_s=k$ with $k=0,1,2$ (LST)
- $SO(13)$: $n_v=k+5$ and $n_s=0,1$ (LST)
- $SO(14)$: $n_v=k+6$ and $n_s=0,1$ (LST)

product group

- $SU(2) [(2,8)/2] SO(7) [(8,2)/2] SU(2)$
- $SU(2) [(2,7+1)/2] G_2$
- $[2N-M] SU(N) [(N,M)] SU(M) [2M-N]$
- $[2N+8]_{SO(2N+8)} Sp(N) [(2N,2N+8)] SO(2N+8) [2N]_{Sp(N)}$
- $[2M-N] SU(M) [(M,N)] SU(N) [2N-M]$

M5s on ADE singularities

- ADE singularity: C^2/Γ_{ADE}
- ADE ALE \Rightarrow ALF : D6, O6+D6, ..., 7d N=1 SYM theories
- 1 NS5 brane gets fractionalized. (G,G) conformal matter
- $A_N = N$ D6 with n NS5 : $SU(N) \& SU(N) \& SU(N) \dots - \& SU(N)$
- $D_{N+4} = O6-D6$ with n NS 5 : $SO(2N+4) \& Sp(N) \& SO(2N+4) \& Sp(N) \dots Sp(N) \& SO(2N+4)$
- E_6 : 4 pieces, $E_6 \& & SU(3) \& & E_6 \& & SU(3) \& \dots & SU(3) \& & E_6$
- E_7 : 6 pieces, $E_7 \& & SU(2) \& SO(7) \& SU(2) \& & E_7 \quad (2 \times 8_s \times 1)/2,$
 $(1 \times 8_s \times 2)/2$
- E_8 : 12 pieces, $E_8 \& & SU(2) \& G_2 \& F_4 \& G_2 \& SU(2) \& & E_8 \quad (2 \times (7+1))/2, ((7+1) \times 2)/2$



- ADE ALE => ALF : D6, O6-+D6, ..
- 1 NS5 brane gets fractionalized.
- A_N : $SU(N)$ - $SU(2N)$
- D_{N+4} : $Sp(N)$ - $SO(4N+16)$, O5- plane, $SO(2N+8)$ - $Sp(2N)$, O5+ plane
- E_6 : $SU(3)$, E_6
- E_7 : $SU(2)$ - $SO(7)$ - $SU(2)$ $(2 \times 8_s \times 1)/2, (1 \times 8_s \times 2)/2, SU(2)$ - $SO(8)$, E_7
- E_8 : $F4$, $G_2 \times SU(2)$ $((7+1) \times 2)/2, G_2$ $n_7=1$, $SU(2)$ $n_2=4$, E_8

6d Non-Higgsable cluster

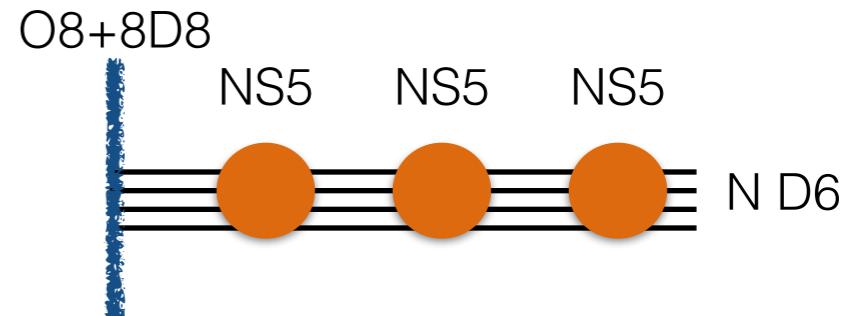
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- $SU(3), SO(8), F_4, E_6, E_7, E_7 \text{ 56/2}, E_8, G_2 \times SU(2)$
 $(7+1) \times 2/2, SU(2) \times SO(7) \times SU(2) \quad (2 \times 8_s \times 1)/2 \quad (1 \times 8_s \times 2)/2$

Diagram	Algebra	matter	(f, g, Δ)	ΔT_{\max}
-3	$\mathfrak{su}(3)$	0	(2, 2, 4)	1/3
-4	$\mathfrak{so}(8)$	0	(2, 3, 6)	1
-5	\mathfrak{f}_4	0	(3, 4, 8)	16/9
-6	\mathfrak{e}_6	0	(3, 4, 8)	8/3
-7	\mathfrak{e}_7	$\frac{1}{2}\mathbf{56}$	(3, 5, 9)	57/16
-8	\mathfrak{e}_7	0	(3, 5, 9)	9/2
-12	\mathfrak{e}_8	0	(4, 5, 10)	25/3
-3, -2	$\mathfrak{g}_2 \oplus \mathfrak{su}(2)$	$(7 + 1, \frac{1}{2}\mathbf{2})$	(2, 3, 6), (1, 2, 3)	3/8
-3, -2, -2	$\mathfrak{g}_2 \oplus \mathfrak{su}(2)$	$(7 + 1, \frac{1}{2}\mathbf{2})$	(2, 3, 6), (2, 2, 4), (1, 1, 2)	5/12
-2, -3, -2	$\mathfrak{su}(2) \oplus \mathfrak{so}(7) \oplus \mathfrak{su}(2)$	$(1, \mathbf{8}, \frac{1}{2}\mathbf{2})$ $+ (\frac{1}{2}\mathbf{2}, \mathbf{8}, 1)$	(1, 2, 3), (2, 4, 6), (1, 2, 3)	1/2

6d SCFTs on E_8 or D8 O8-Wall

- [8]-Sp(N)-SU(2N)-...SU(2N)-[2N]

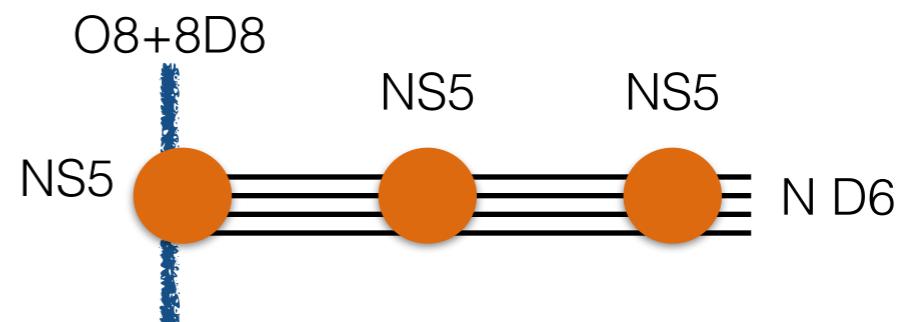


- [8]-Sp(N)-SU(2N)-...SU(2N)-Sp[N]-[8] (LST)

- [8,A]-SU(N)-...SU(N)-[N]

- [S]-SU(N)-SU(N-8)-[N-16]

- [8,A]-SU(N)-[8,A] (LST)



5d SCFTs and enhancement of global symmetry

- UV completion, strong coupling limit in the symmetric phase
- Instantons: topological U(1) symmetry
- D,NS5 brane web
- superconformal index: localization or topological vertex

SU(2), n₂=0,1,2,,,7,8

- theta term: $\theta=0,\pi$ (Seiberg, Intriligator, Morrison....)
- $E_0, \tilde{E}_1, E_1 = \text{SU}(2), E_2 = \text{SU}(2) \times \text{U}(1), E_3, = \text{SU}(3) \times \text{SU}(2), E_4, = \text{SU}(5), E_5, = \text{SO}(10), E_6, E_7, E_8$
- A (p,q) 5 brane terminates at [p,q] 7 brane ([Dewolfe, Hanany, Iqbal, Katz](#))
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D5,NS5 brane web and 7 branes

- A (p,q) 5 brane terminates at $[p,q]$ 7 brane.
- The $[P,Q]$ 7 brane monodromy is

$$K_{[P,Q]} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 + PQ & -P^2 \\ Q^2 & 1 - PQ \end{pmatrix}.$$

- Transformation of (p,q) 5 brane and $[p,q]$ 7 brane counterclockwise crossing $[P,Q]$ 7 brane experience the $K[P,Q]$ monodromy,

$$\begin{pmatrix} p' \\ q' \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 + PQ & -P^2 \\ Q^2 & 1 - PQ \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} p \\ q \end{pmatrix}$$

- $[1,0]$, D7 brane
- $A=[0,1], B=[1,-1], C=[1,1]$ 7 branes

D5,NS5 brane web and 7 branes

5D Field Theory	Brane Configuration	Geometry
E_0	$\mathbf{E}_0 = \mathbf{X}_{[2,-1]} \mathbf{X}_{[-1,2]} \mathbf{C}$	\mathbb{P}^2
\tilde{E}_1	$\mathbf{A} \mathbf{X}_{[2,-1]} \mathbf{X}_{[-1,2]} \mathbf{C}$	\mathcal{B}_1
E_1	$\mathbf{B} \mathbf{C} \mathbf{B} \mathbf{C}$	$\mathbb{P}^1 \times \mathbb{P}^1$
$E_n, n \geq 2$	$\mathbf{A}^{n-1} \mathbf{B} \mathbf{C} \mathbf{B} \mathbf{C} = \mathbf{A}^n \mathbf{X}_{[2,-1]} \mathbf{C} \mathbf{X}_{[-1,2]}$	\mathcal{B}_n

5d SU(N)

- $SU(N) + N_f$ fundamental hyper + κ -Chern-Simons level
- $N_f + 2|\kappa| = 2\mathbb{Z}$: anomaly (the fermion determinant in the $U(1)$ theory.)
- $N+2|\kappa| \leq 2N$ ([Intriligator, Morrison, Seiberg](#))
- $N+2|\kappa| \leq 2N+4$, Enhanced global symmetry at UV ([Bergman, Zafrir](#))
 - (Sung-Soo Kim, Masato Taki, Futoshi Yagi, Tao-diagram..)
 - (Hirotaka Hayashi, Sung-Soo Kim, KL, Masato Taki, Futoshi Yagi)
 - (Kazuya Yonekura, Gaiotto and Hee-Cheol Kim)
- $SU(N)_0$, $N_f = 2N+4$ with finite coupling: 6d completion

5d $SU(3)\kappa$ Enhanced Global Symmetry

For total rank of $G = N_f + 1$, abelian part may be added
 $N+2|\kappa| \leq 10$

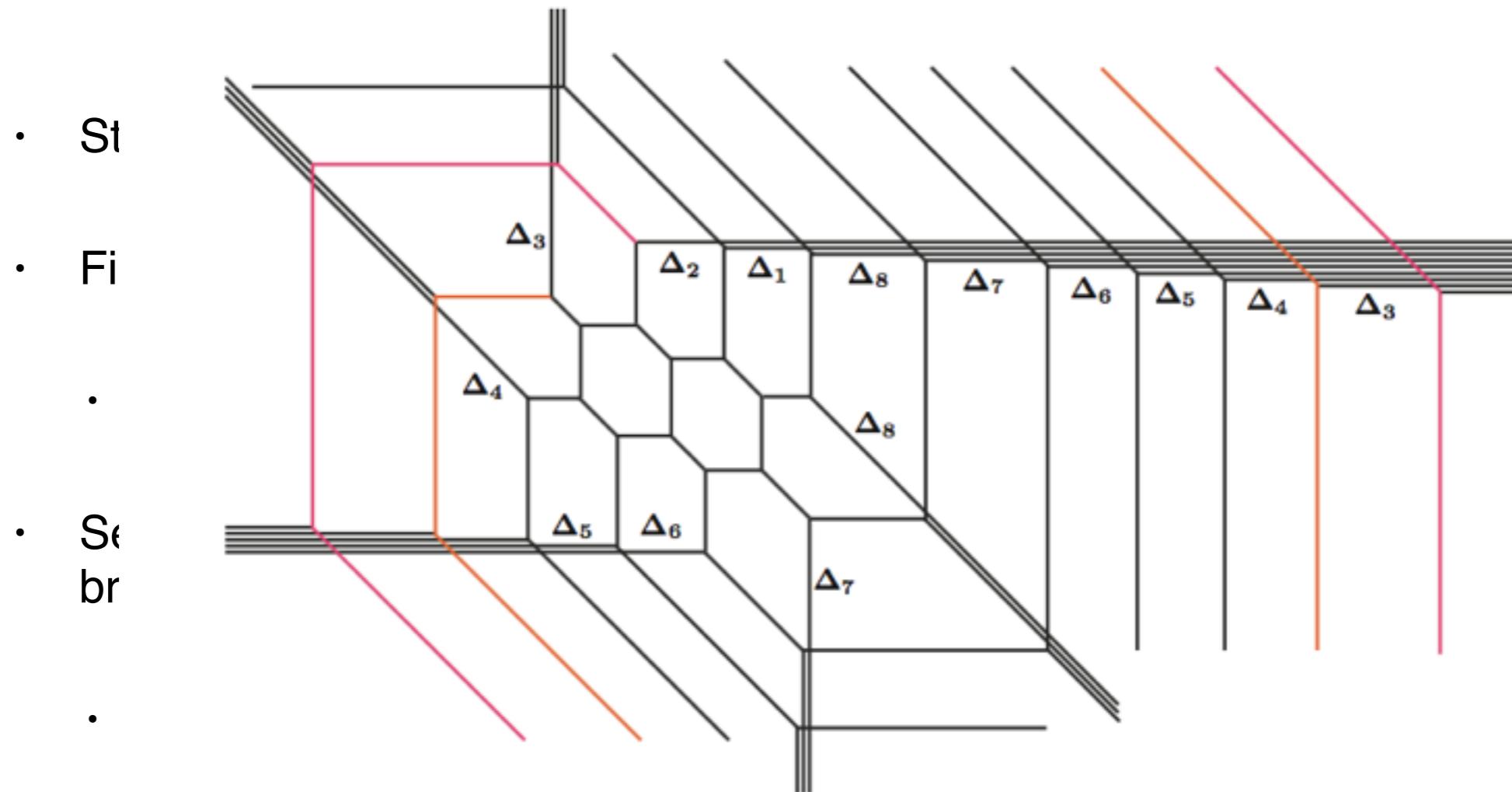
N_f	$G_{ \kappa }$ (κ is the Chern-Simons level)
10	$SO(20)_0$
9	$SO(20)_{\frac{1}{2}}$
8	$SU(10)_0, [SU(16) \times SU(2)]_1$
7	$[SU(8) \times SU(2)]_{\frac{1}{2}}, SO(14)_{\frac{3}{2}}$
6	$[SU(6) \times SU(2) \times SU(2)]_0, SU(7)_1, SO(12)_2$
5	$[SU(5) \times SU(2)]_{\frac{1}{2}}, \overrightarrow{SU(6)_{\frac{3}{2}}}, \overrightarrow{SO(10)_{\frac{5}{2}}}$
4	$SU(4)_0, [SU(4) \times SU(2)]_1, SU(5)_2, SO(8)_3$
3	$SU(3)_{\frac{1}{2}}, [SU(3) \times SU(2)]_{\frac{3}{2}}, SU(4)_{\frac{5}{2}}, SO(6)_{\frac{7}{2}}$
2	$SU(2)_0, SU(2)_1, [SU(2) \times SU(2)]_2, SU(3)_3, SO(4)_4$
1	$SU(2)_{\frac{5}{2}}, SU(2)_{\frac{7}{2}}$
0	$SU(2)_3$

5d $SU(N)\kappa$ Enhanced Global Symmetry

For total rank of $G = N_f + 1$, abelian part may be added
 $N+2|\kappa| \leq 2N+4$

N_f	$G_{ \kappa }$
$2n + 4$	$SO(4n + 8)_0$
$2n + 3$	$SO(4n + 8)_{\frac{1}{2}}$
$2n + 2$	$SU(2n + 4)_0, [SO(4n + 4) \times SU(2)]_1$
$2n + 1$	$[SU(2n + 4) \times SU(2)]_{\frac{1}{2}}, SO(4n + 2)_{\frac{3}{2}}$
$2n$	$[SU(2n) \times SU(2) \times SU(2)]_0, SU(2n + 1)_1, SO(4n)_2$

From 6 to 5 dim and to 6d



Tao-diagram

Enhanced Global Symmetry

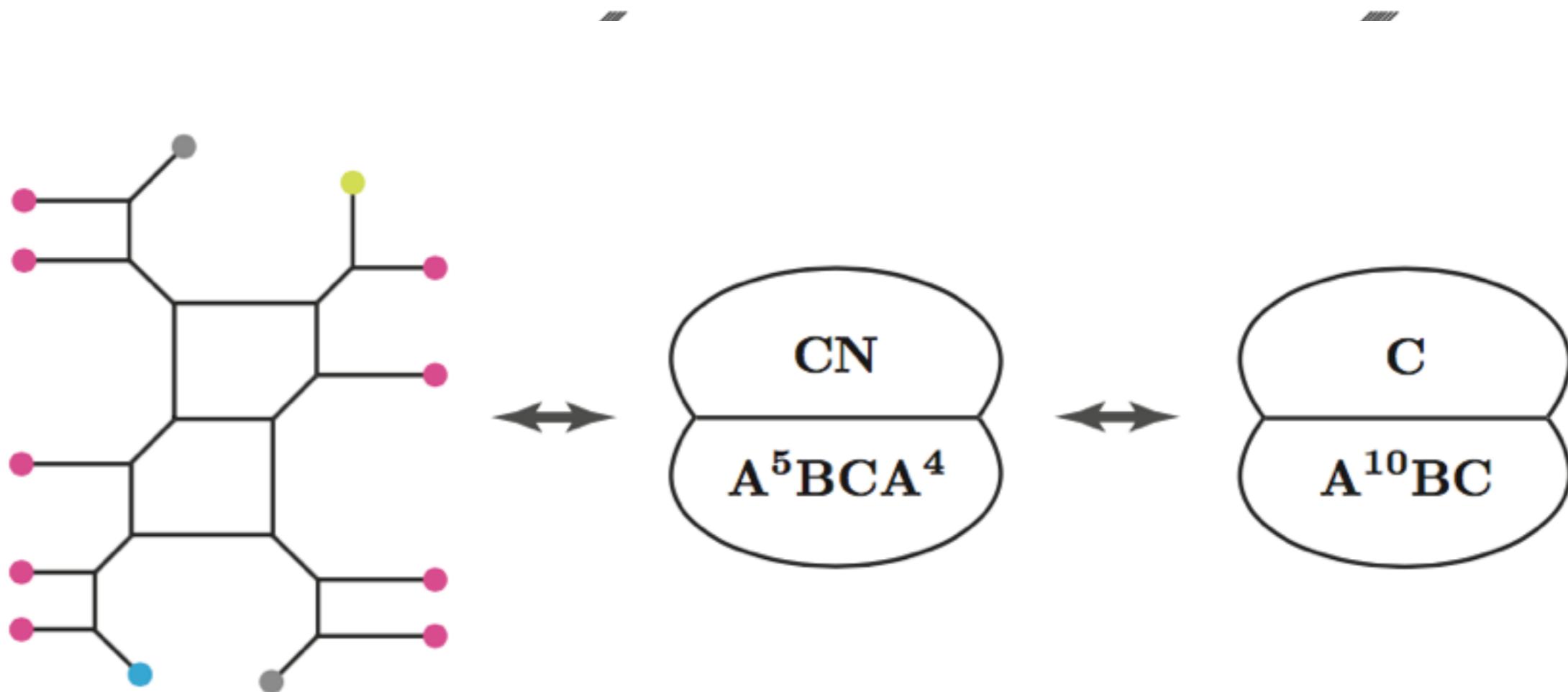


Figure 8: A web diagram of $SU(3)$ theory with $N_f = 8$ flavors with CS level 1 (left) and with $N_f = 9$ flavors with CS level $\frac{1}{2}$ (right). They are obtained by taking mass decoupling limit from Tao diagram.

Conclusion

- A lot more to be learned about 5d and 6d SCFTs
- Further relation between 5d and 6d SCFTs
- More on 6d SCFTs
- 6d (2,0) and (1,0) Little String Theories