# ${\it AdS}_5$ non-Abelian T-dual of Klebanov-Witten as a ${\cal N}=1$ linear quiver

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Solution  $\equiv (g, B_2, \Phi, F_{RR})$  satisfying EOMs of 10D Supergravity

AdS/CFT: IIA(B) solution / CFT  $\xrightarrow{\text{NATD}}$  IIB(A) solution / CFT '

#### NATD not proven to be a string theory symmetry

- Pro: Solution generating technique for AdS/CFT pairs.
- Con: lacks global properties of the geometry / field theory properties.

#### Lozano-Núñez ('16)

- NATD of  $AdS_5 \times S^5$  provides a "zoomed-in" solution of  $\mathcal{N}=2$  Gaiotto-Maldacena theories.
- AdS/CFT: Managed to "complete" the geometry using field theory input.

Propose a 4D  $\mathcal{N} = 1$  linear quiver gauge theory dual to the NATD of Klebanov-Witten, inspired by its (IIA) D4-NS5-NS5' set-up and the following conjecture,





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## Klebanov-Witten theory ('97)

 $SU(N) \times SU(N)$  gauge group with bifundamental matter fields  $A_1$ ,  $A_2$  and  $B_1$ ,  $B_2$ , transforming in the  $(N, \overline{N})$  and  $(\overline{N}, N)$  representations of SU(N), respectively:



N D3-branes at the tip of the conifold with base  $T^{1,1} \approx SU(2) \times SU(2)/U(1)$ . Near-horizon yields:

$$ds^{2} = ds^{2}_{AdS_{5}} + L^{2} ds^{2}_{T^{1,1}} , \qquad ds^{2}_{AdS_{5}} = \frac{r^{2}}{L^{2}} dx^{2}_{1,3} + \frac{L^{2}}{r^{2}} dr^{2} ,$$
$$ds^{2}_{T^{1,1}} = \lambda^{2}_{1} ds^{2} (S^{2}_{1}) + \lambda^{2}_{2} ds^{2} (S^{2}_{2}) + \lambda^{2} (d\psi + \cos\theta_{1} d\phi_{1} + \cos\theta_{2} d\phi_{2})^{2}$$

## Abelian T-dual of KW

Type IIA description: D4-branes, NS5 and NS5'-branes (NS-NS field  $B_2 \neq 0$ ) [Uranga '98], [Dasgupta, Mukhi '98]:



• NS5  $\perp$  NS5 ' (rotation  $\sim$  mass deformation of  $\mathcal{N}=2$  leading to  $\mathcal{N}=1$ ).

• Subtlety: Hopf-fiber T-dual has *Supersymmetry without supersymmetry* in the SUGRA approximation [Duff, Lu, Pope '97]. Use azimuthal T-dual.

- $\ell 1$  copies of SU(N) gauge groups.  $\mathcal{N} = 1$  (shaded) or  $\mathcal{N} = 2$  (unshaded) vector multiplets.
- Lines between them represent bifundamentals of  $SU(N) \times SU(N)$ .
- The boxes at the two ends represent N SU(N) fundamentals.
- In total  $\ell 1 = n_1 + n_2$  gauge groups and  $\ell$  matter multiplets.
- The total global symmetry is,

$$SU(N) \times SU(N) \times U(1)^{\ell+n_2} \times U(1)_R$$

## Bah-Bobev linear quivers: Dual IIA brane set-up



*N* D4-branes (along  $x_6$ ) extended between transversal NS5 (along *v*-plane) and NS5' (along *w*-plane), being NS5  $\perp$  NS5'.

•  $\mathcal{N} = 2$  nodes connect same kind of hypers,  $\mathcal{N} = 1$  nodes connect different hypers. Twist parameter:

$$z = \frac{p-q}{\ell} \in [-1,1]$$

 $z=\pm 1 \implies \mathcal{N}=$  2 theory (only one kind of hypers/5-brane),

 $z=0 \implies \mathcal{N}=1$  theory (same number of both kinds of hypers).

- Conjecture: flows to IR CFT depending only on {N, ℓ, z, κ}. Moduli space of 5-brane positions/gauge couplings of the vector mutliplets!
- M-theory origin: M5-branes wrapping a Riemann surface with  $\kappa = \frac{1}{2}(\sigma_0 + \sigma_\ell) \in \{-1, 0, +1\}.$

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## Brane set-up of the NATD of KW



- Solution originally derived in [Itsios, Núñez, Sfetsos, Thompson '12].
- (D4,NS5,NS5') brane set-up from quantized charges of the RR-fluxes.

## Brane set-up of the NATD of KW



•  $N_4 = m N_6$  due to large gauge transformations each time an NS5-brane is crossed (remark: just NS5, not NS5' !) :

$$0 \leq \frac{1}{4\pi^2} \int_{M_2} |B_2| \leq 1 \qquad \Leftarrow \qquad B_2 \to B_2 - \alpha' \ m \ \pi \ Vol(M_2)$$

## Brane set-up of the NATD of KW



- Generalizes the linear quiver gauge theories of Bah-Bobev.
- Uplift to M-theory: solution shown to fit in the general classification of  $\mathcal{N} = 1$  theories with  $AdS_5$  duals of [GMSW '04].



- A priori infinite brane set-up and quiver! Needs regularization!
- Simplest option for the regularized quiver doesn't work: vanishing scaling dimensions, not an exact mass deformation of the N = 2 theory.



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We need its  $\mathbb{Z}_2$ -modded version!

## Figuring out the $\mathcal{N}=1$ quiver



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## Complete linear quiver proposal for the NATD of KW

4D  $\mathcal{N} = 1$  strongly coupled field theory proposal:



- Each tail n-1 hypers + two central hypers  $f_1$  and  $f_2$ .
- z = 0: "r" hypers (NS5) paired with "s" hypers (NS5'), also  $f_1$  and  $f_2$ .
- Added flavors: semi-infinite D4s or transversal D6s. They *complete* the quiver at finite *n*!
- Recover  $\mathcal{N}=2$ :  $z=\pm 1$  (i. e. all hypers either "r" or "s").

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- Brane re-ordering consistent with Seiberg self-duality and the vanishing of the beta functions and R-symmetry anomalies.
- Central charge consistent with the NATD of KW.
- Exact cc consistent with RG flow from UV mass-deformed  $\mathcal{N} = 2$  theory (requires  $\sigma_{f_1} = -\sigma_{f_2}$ ).

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#### About the NATD of KW:

- It does not belong to the class of solutions of BBBW (not BPS fixed point, quite different field theory).
- Neither is it a Bah-Bobev linear quiver theory, as it is a generalization thereof for the  $\mathcal{N}=1$  case.

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