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Addendum to last week:

$$\text{OParameter } f(e^{-t}) = e^{-i N g_s} = e^{N \varepsilon_2} = e^{-\frac{2\pi i N}{k_c + N}}$$

↑
 GW, inst. counting counting degree
 ε_2 ↑ CS

○ Perturbative v.s. Nonperturbative

$$\text{The parameters } -i\varepsilon_1 = g_S = \frac{CS}{2\pi} e^{i\theta} \quad N: \text{rank}$$

In GW invariant : g_S is a formal variable

$$\sum_{\substack{d \in \mathbb{N} \\ g \geq 0}} f^d g_s^{2g-2} C(g, d) \in g g_s^{-2} \mathbb{Q}[[g, g_s^2]]$$

In instanton counting:

$$H^*_T(pt) \cong \mathbb{C}[\varepsilon_1, \varepsilon_2] \xrightarrow{\text{localization}} \underline{\mathbb{C}(\varepsilon_1, \varepsilon_2)}$$

All genus G_W inv's are packed in a rational function !

In CS :

We will explain the expansion w.r.t. $g_S = \frac{2\pi}{l\epsilon+N}$
(the CS perturbation theory) (In fact $\frac{2\pi}{l}$)

In quantum group approach to JW inv. (Reshetikhin-Turaev),
the quantum group is specialised at $\sqrt[l]{1}$,
where $l = 2(\epsilon+N)$. (l^{th} root of 1)
"nonperturb.?"

$$\text{Thus } e^{\xi_1} = e^{ig_S} = e^{\frac{2\pi i}{l\epsilon+N}} = e^{\frac{4\pi i}{l}} = (\sqrt[l]{1})^{\frac{l}{2}}$$

○ Jones-Witten invariants (or Chern-Simons theory)

Ref: Ohtsuki Quantum invariants, App. F

M^3 : 3-mfd, cpt, oriented

G : compact Lie group e.g. $SU(N)$
simple for simplicity

A : G -connection on the trivial bdlc $M \times G$
1-form with value in \mathfrak{g}

\mathcal{A} = the space of G -connections = $\Omega^1(M; \mathfrak{g})$

$$CS(A) = \frac{1}{8\pi^2} \int_M \text{Tr}(A \wedge dA + \frac{2}{3} A \wedge A \wedge A)$$

(where " Tr " & " xy " ($x, y \in \mathfrak{g}$)
must be understood appropriately.)

This is a function (or lagrangian) on \mathcal{A} . But
is very different from the usual one in the physics,
as it is independent of the Riemannian metric.

Recall $\frac{\delta CS}{\delta A} = 0 \Leftrightarrow A$: flat connection i.e. $F_A = 0$

$\therefore A \leftrightarrow \text{"rep." } \pi_1(M) \rightarrow G$

G = the group of bundle automorphism
 $= \text{Map}(M, G)$ (gauge group in math.)

A^g by gauge transformation

$$g^*A = g^{-1}dg + gAg$$

\mathcal{A}/G = the space of G -orbits of G -connections
 "the space of fields"

NB. As is usual for a quotient space, it is important to consider how we should consider \mathcal{A}/G as a space, as G has stabilizers in general.

Exercise CS is not a function on \mathcal{A}/G , but
 $CS : \mathcal{A}/G \rightarrow \mathbb{R}/\mathbb{Z}$ is well-defined.

We now define Jones-Witten invariant
 by "quantizing" the Chern-Simons functional:

$k \in \mathbb{Z}_{>0}$ (level)

$$\Sigma_k(M) \equiv \Sigma_{k,G}(M) = \int_{\mathcal{A}/G} dA \exp(2\pi i k CS(A))$$

This is very beautiful formula except that we do not know how to define the path integral.

○ Incorporation of a link

$$L : \text{link} = \bigsqcup_i L_i \quad (\text{components})$$

$\text{Hol}_{L_i}(A)$ = the holonomy of A along L_i
 \in conjugacy class of G

R_i : finite dimensional representation of G

$$\Rightarrow \text{tr}_{R_i} \text{Hol}_{L_i}(A) =: W_{R_i}^{L_i}(A)$$

(Wilson line observable)

$$\mathbb{Z}_{k,G,R_1,\dots,R_l}(M,L) = \int_{\mathcal{A}/G} \text{DA} \exp(2\pi i k \text{CS}(A)) \prod_{i=1}^l W_{R_i}^{L_i}(A)$$

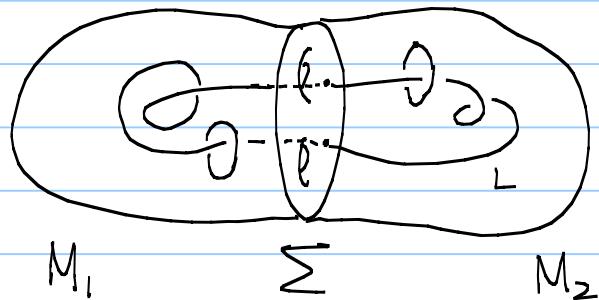
(Jones-Witten link invariant)

This is a "correlation" function in the (quantum) Chern-Simons theory.

Later I will explain the perturbative expansion of the JW invariant, which is relevant for the large N duality.

But we start with "hamiltonian approach" to the quantization problem. (topological quantum field theory)

We cut M along a surface ($= 2\dim \mathbb{C}^{\times}$ -mfld) Σ



more precisely
we should have
in mind
 $(\partial M_1 = \Sigma)$
 $(\partial M_2 = -\Sigma)$

$\mathcal{A}_{\Sigma}^{\psi_a} =$ space of G -connection on $\Sigma \times G$

$\mathcal{A}_a^i =$ space of G -connections A on M_i
s.t. $A|_{\Sigma} = a$

$$\hookleftarrow \text{Ker}(g^i \rightarrow g_{\Sigma})$$

grp of bdlc automorphisms on $\Sigma \times G$

We expect $Z_p(M) =$

$$= \int_{\mathcal{A}/g_{\Sigma}} Da \int_{\mathcal{A}^1/\text{Ker}(g^1 \rightarrow g_{\Sigma})} DA^1 e^{2\pi i k CS(A^1)} \int_{\mathcal{A}^2/\text{Ker}(g^2 \rightarrow g_{\Sigma})} DA^2 e^{2\pi i k CS(A^2)}$$

* $a \mapsto \int_{\overset{\circ}{A}/\text{ker}} DA^i e^{2\pi i \text{CS}(A^i)}$: a "function" on $\partial\Sigma/\mathcal{G}_\Sigma$

But this is not quite correct.



$$g \in \mathcal{G}_\Sigma \\ a \in \partial\Sigma$$

\tilde{g} , its extension to M^i
 \tilde{A}^i "

$\text{CS}(\tilde{g}^* \tilde{A}^i) - \text{CS}(A^i) =: C(a, g)$ depends only on a, g
 (Wess-Zumino term)

Then $e^{2\pi i C(a, g)}$ defines a line bundle \mathcal{L}
 on $\partial\Sigma/\mathcal{G}_\Sigma$.

So * : a section of the line bundle $\mathcal{L}^{\otimes k}$ on $\partial\Sigma/\mathcal{G}_\Sigma$.

$Z(\Sigma)$ = the "Hilbert" space of such sections

$Z(-\Sigma) = Z(\Sigma)^*$

$Z(M_1) \in Z(\Sigma)$, $Z(M_2) \in Z(\Sigma)^*$

$$Z(M) = \langle Z(M_1) | Z(M_2) \rangle$$

(Atiyah's topological quantum field theory)

But $\mathcal{X}(\Sigma)$ = the space of all sections is too large.
 As is common in quantization, we should pick up
 a smaller space* by choosing a "polarization".

Pick a complex structure J on Σ .

Then

$$\begin{aligned}\mathcal{A}_\Sigma &\cong \Omega^1(\Sigma, \mathcal{G}) \\ &\cong \Omega^{0,1}(\Sigma, \mathcal{G} \otimes \mathbb{C}) \leftarrow \begin{matrix} (\infty\text{-dim } k) \text{ cpx} \\ \text{mfld} \end{matrix}\end{aligned}$$

Moreover $\mathcal{G}_\Sigma^\mathbb{C} = \text{Map}(\Sigma, G^\mathbb{C})$: cpxification of \mathcal{G}_Σ
 acts on \mathcal{A}_Σ holomorphically by

$$A^{0,1} \mapsto g^* \bar{\partial} g + g^* A^{0,1} g$$

Also \mathcal{L} has a natural holo. structure.

Then it is natural to put

$\mathcal{X}(\Sigma) = \text{space of } \underline{\text{holomorphic}} \text{ sections}$
 of $\mathcal{L}^{\otimes k}$ on $\mathcal{A}_\Sigma / \mathcal{G}_\Sigma^\mathbb{C}$

Comment :

We could also consider an intermediate vector
 space of sections of the symplectic quotient
 $\mathcal{L}^{(0)} / \mathcal{G}_\Sigma = \text{moduli of flat connections on } \Sigma$.

The above is its geometric quantization.

$\text{Ran } \mathcal{A}_{\Sigma}/_{\mathcal{G}_{\Sigma}^C}$ = moduli stack of G^C -bundles
on (Σ, J)

So $H^0(\mathcal{L}^{\otimes k})$ = the space of conformal blocks?

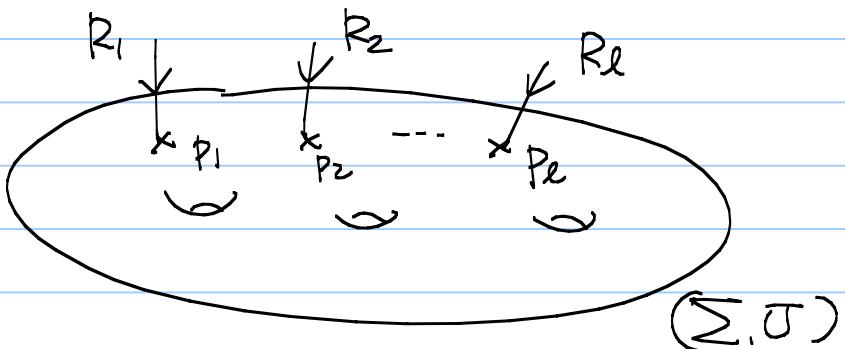
When $L \subset M$, $\{p_1, \dots, p_e\} = L \cap \Sigma$

$\mathcal{Z}_{G, R_1, \dots, R_e} (\Sigma, p_1, \dots, p_e)$
= the space of hol. sections of the line bdle
moduli stack of parabolic G^C -bundles
on (Σ, J)
i.e., G^C -bundle together with reduction
of $G^C \rightarrow \text{Borel}$ at each marked pt

The line bdle \mathcal{L} now depends also on R_i

= the space of conformal blocks attached to

the
data



There is one thing to be checked:
 $Z(\Sigma)$ "should" be a topological invariant,

\equiv (projectively) flat connection on the
 bundle of conformal blocks
 over the moduli space of pointed
 Riemann surfaces.

○ Perturbation theory

Suppose A is a flat connection:

$$CS(A+\alpha) = CS(A) + \frac{1}{8\pi^2} \int_M \text{Tr}(\alpha \wedge d_A \alpha + \frac{2}{3} \alpha \wedge \alpha \wedge \alpha)$$

- stationary phase approximation

(ignore the cubic term)

$$Z(M) \underset{k: \text{large}}{\sim} \sum_{[A]: \text{flat connection}} \alpha([A]) e^{2\pi i k CS(A)}$$

Rem. In general, the moduli space of flat connections
 are not isolated points,
 not even a smooth manifold.

But we ignore this point, and assume $H_A^\vee = 0$.

Recall $\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{-ax^2} dx = \sqrt{\frac{\pi}{a}}$

By analytic continuation $\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{i\lambda x^2} \frac{dx}{\sqrt{\pi}} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{|\lambda|}} \exp\left(\frac{\pi i}{4} \operatorname{sgn} \lambda\right)$
 $\lambda \in \mathbb{R}$

For a quadratic form Q on \mathbb{R}^n

$$\int_{\mathbb{R}^n} e^{ikQ(x)} \frac{dx_1 \dots dx_n}{\pi^{n/2}} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{|\det kQ|}} \exp\left(\frac{\pi i}{4} \operatorname{sgn} Q\right)$$

In our case we want to apply this formula to

$$\mathbb{R}^n \hookrightarrow T_{[A]}(A/g)$$

$$Q \hookrightarrow \frac{1}{4\pi} \int_M \operatorname{Tr}(\alpha \wedge d_A \alpha)$$

o $T_{[A]}(A/g)$:

We take a "slice" to the gauge group orbit

standard recipe :



Pick up a Riemannian metric g on M^3 , and consider

$$\begin{aligned} \operatorname{Ker}(d_A^*) : \Omega^1(M) \otimes g &\rightarrow \Omega^0(M) \otimes g \\ &\cong T_{[A]}(A/g) \end{aligned}$$

We also need to understand the Jacobian of
 $\text{Ker } d_A^* \xrightarrow{\cong} \Omega^\Sigma / \Omega_\Sigma$ to compare
 the Feynman measure.

Then finally (see [Atiyah] for more detail)
 $\det Q$, $\text{sgn } Q$ are expressed in terms
 of $\Delta_A^{(i)}$: Laplacian on $\Omega^i(M; \mathcal{G})$
 $\& D_A = (d_A + * d_A *) : \Omega^{\text{odd}} \rightarrow \Omega^{\text{even}} \xrightarrow{*} \Omega^{\text{odd}}$

Answer

$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{\det \tilde{k}Q}} = \frac{\sqrt{\det \Delta_A^{(0)}}}{\left(\frac{\det \tilde{k}^2 \Delta_A^{(1)}}{\det \tilde{k}^2 \Delta_A^{(0)}}\right)^{1/4}} \quad \leftarrow \text{Jacobian}$$

• $\text{sgn } Q = \text{sgn } D_A$

Now we use the Ray-Singer ζ -function regularization
 to define $\det \Delta_A^{(i)}$, $\text{sgn } D_A$

$$\zeta_A(s) = \text{tr } \Delta_A^{-s} = \sum_{\lambda \neq 0} \lambda^{-s} \quad \lambda: \text{eigenvalue of } \Delta_A^{(i)}$$

$$\zeta_A^{(0)} = " \dim \Omega^{(0)} " = 0 \quad \text{in odd dim}$$

i.e. in our case

$$\exp(-\zeta_A^{(0)}) = " \det \Delta_A^{(0)} "$$

& η -inv:

$$\eta_A(s) = \sum_{\lambda \neq 0} |\lambda|^{-s} \operatorname{sgn} \lambda \quad \begin{matrix} \in \mathbb{R} \\ \lambda: \text{eigenvalues} \\ \notin D_A \end{matrix}$$

$$\eta_A(0) = " \operatorname{sgn} " D_A$$

Th (Cheeger, Müller)

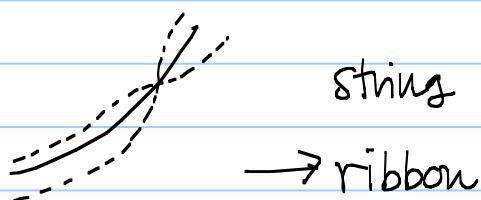
$$\frac{(\det \Delta_A^{(0)})^{3/2}}{(\det \Delta_A^{(1)})^{1/2}} = \text{Reidemeister torsion}$$

metric independent!

The phase factor is more subtle, as
 $\eta(0)$ is not a topological invariant.

The invariant depends on the choice
of the "framing" of M , i.e., $TM \cong M \times \mathbb{R}^3$
trivialization

framing of link



string

→ ribbon

O Perturbation theory

- finite dim'l model

$$Z_k := \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} dx \exp[ik(Q(x) + T(x))]$$

T^n : cubic form
 (T_{abc})

$$= \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} dx \exp(i k Q(x)) \sum_{m=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{m!} (ik T(x))^m$$

We introduce a new variable $u \in \mathbb{R}^n$ (auxiliary field)

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial u_a} \exp(i \langle u, x \rangle) \Big|_{u=0} = ix_a$$

$$\frac{\partial^2}{\partial u_a \partial u_b} \exp(i \langle u, x \rangle) \Big|_{u=0} = ix_a ix_b , \dots$$

$$\therefore T(x)^m = \left(\sum_{a,b,c=1}^n T_{abc} x_a x_b x_c \right)^m$$

$$= \frac{1}{i^{3m}} \left(\sum T_{abc} \frac{\partial}{\partial u_a} \frac{\partial}{\partial u_b} \frac{\partial}{\partial u_c} \right)^m \exp(i \langle u, x \rangle) \Big|_{u=0}$$

We put $\exp(i \langle u, x \rangle)$ to $\exp(i k Q(x))$

$$\exp(i k Q(x) + i \langle u, x \rangle)$$

Complete the square :

$$\exp \left[ik Q(x) - \frac{i}{4k} \langle u, Q^{-1} u \rangle \right]$$

$$x' = x + \frac{1}{2k} Q^{-1} u$$

Our measure is translation invariant.

(the same is true for the Feynman measure)

$$\begin{aligned} \therefore Z_a = & \frac{1}{\sqrt{\det Q}} \exp\left(\frac{i\pi}{4} \operatorname{sgn} Q\right) \\ & \times \sum_{m=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^m \hbar^m}{m!} \left(\sum_{a,b,c} T_{abc} \frac{\partial}{\partial u_a} \frac{\partial}{\partial u_b} \frac{\partial}{\partial u_c} \right)^m \underbrace{\exp\left(-\frac{i}{4\hbar} \langle u, Q u \rangle\right)}_{\text{quadratic in } u}_{|_{u=0}} \end{aligned}$$

Cubic in u

We can expand the second part :
(NB, term = 0 unless $3m = 2n$)

$$\sum n! \left(-\frac{i}{4\hbar} \right)^n \langle u, Q u \rangle^n$$

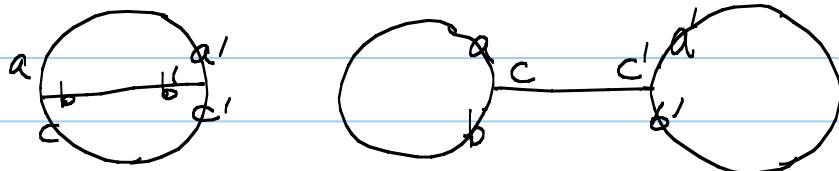
quadratic in u

simplest term

$$m=2, n=3$$

$$T_{abc} T_{a'b'c'} Q^{aa'} Q^{bb'} Q^{cc'} \& T_{abc} T_{a'b'c'} Q^{ab} Q^{a'b'} Q^{cc'} \quad (\text{as permutation of indices})$$

graphically



We put T at vertex.
 Q edge

$$\begin{aligned} m &= \# \text{ vertex} \\ n &= \# \text{ edge} \\ m-n &= e(\Gamma) \end{aligned}$$

(Feynman graph)

We get

$$\exp \left(\sum_{\Gamma: \text{connected graph}} k^{-e(\Gamma)} \frac{\underline{Z}(\Gamma)}{|\text{Aut } \Gamma|} \right).$$

$\underline{Z}(\Gamma)$ is defined as above

We apply this argument to the ∞ -dim'l setting:

We represent $Q^{-1}\alpha = \int_M L(\cdot, x) \alpha(x)$
i.e. $Q^{-1} = L^*$ of $\otimes g$ -valued

$\rightsquigarrow Z(\Gamma)$ is given by an integration over $M \times \dots \times M$

Remark, k is shifted by $k + h^\vee$
dual Coxeter #
(quantum correction)

$$\left(\gamma_A^{(0)} - \gamma_{\text{triv.}}^{(0)} \propto h^\vee \cdot \text{CS}(A) \right)$$

Comment:

The perturbative invariants can be proved to be independent of a Riemannian metric.

They give contributions of a flat connection (or a component of the moduli space of flat connections).

However, the exact invariant is well-defined only for an integer k , it is probably not possible to single out the contribution of a flat connection for a general 3-manifold.

Q. Do you understand why link invariants in S^3 can be defined for arbitrary para. not necessarily roots of unity?

A. No, except by computation.