

6d $N=(1,0)$ theories on T^2 and Class S theories

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6d SCFTs

- We have non-trivial superconformal field theories in six-dimensional spacetime
- $N=(2,0)$ (16 Q's) vs $N=(1,0)$ (8 Q's)

6d $N=(2,0)$ theory:
ADE classification

[Witten '95][Strominger '96]

IIB on C^2/Γ_G

M5 branes

6d $N=(1,0)$ theories:
F-theory classification

[Heckman, Morrison, Vafa '13]

[del Zotto, Heckman, Tomasiello, Vafa '14]

[Heckman, Morrison, Rudelius, Vafa '15]

F on elliptic CY3

M5 branes + α

Many examples

4d $N=2$ SCFTs from 6d

- 6d $N=(2,0)$ theory on **punctured** Riemann surfaces:
many new “non-Lagrangian” 4d $N=2$ SCFTs

Class S theories

[Gaiotto '09][Gaiotto, Moore, Neitzke '09]

- 6d $N=(1,0)$ theories on T^2
→ many 4d $N=2$ theories

Q. Can we identify the resulting 4d $N=2$ theories?

We only consider the compactification at the **most singular point** of the Coulomb branch/the parameter space. In particular, no **Wilson lines** for flavor symmetry

Plan

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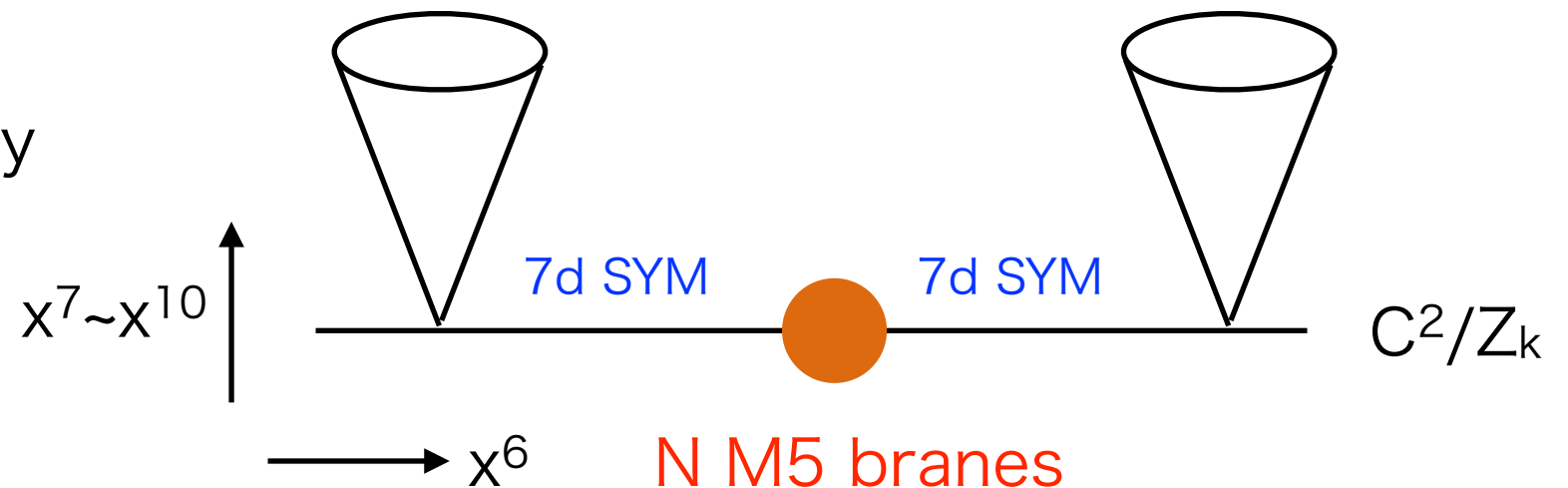
Example

6d $(SU(k), SU(k))$ conformal matter

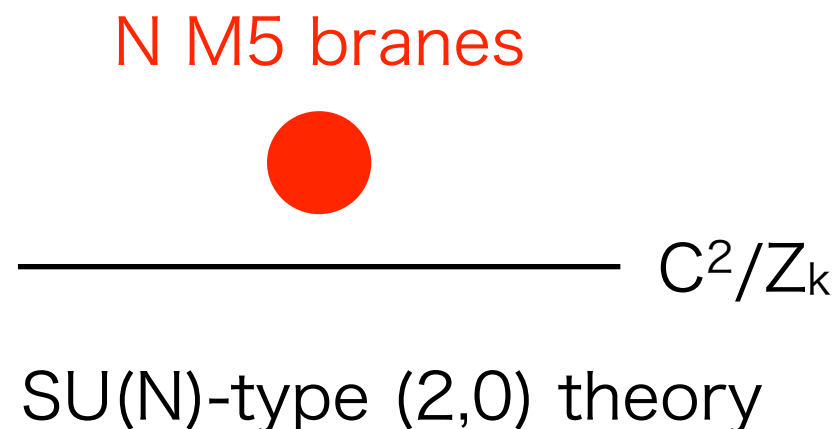
6d (SU(k),SU(k)) conformal matters

[del Zotto, Heckman, Tomasiello, Vafa '14]

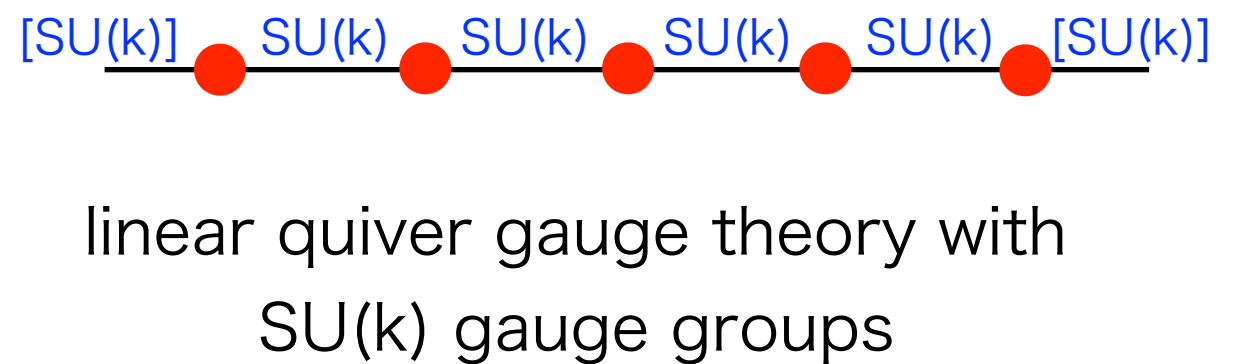
- Worldvolume theory of N M5 branes probing C^2/Z_k singularity
- 6d (1,0) SCFT with $SU(k) \times SU(k)$ global symmetry



Higgs branch deformation



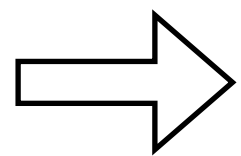
Tensor branch deformation



We denote this theory as $T_{6d}(k,N)$

From 6d to 5d

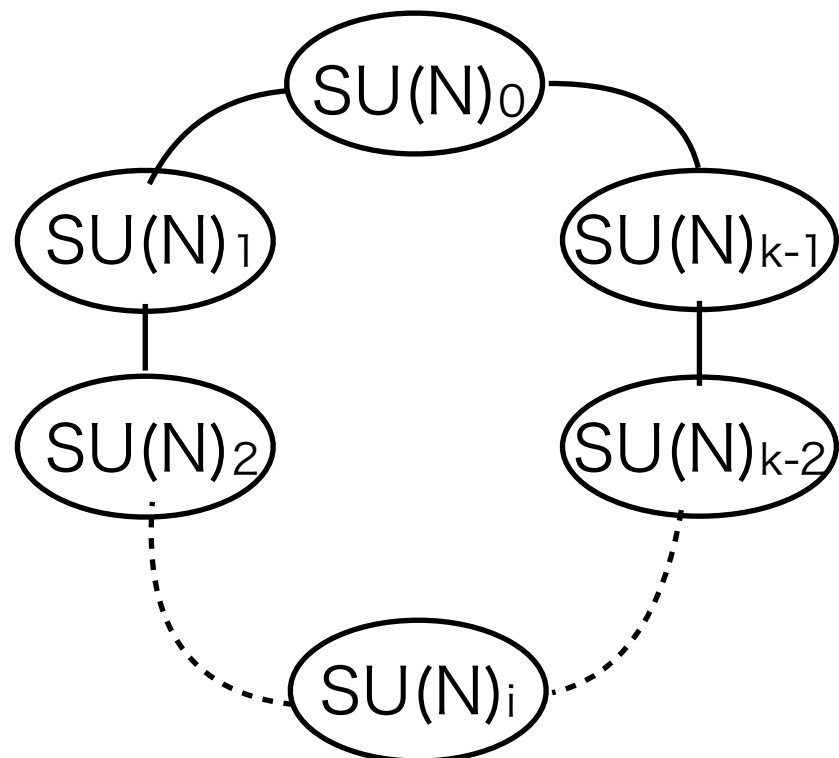
$T_{6d}(k,N)$ on S^1 with generic Wilson lines for $SU(k)_{\text{diag}}$



Type IIA

N D4 branes probing C^2/Z_k singularity with generic B-flux through the singularity

5d necklace (=A-type affine Dynkin) quiver gauge theory



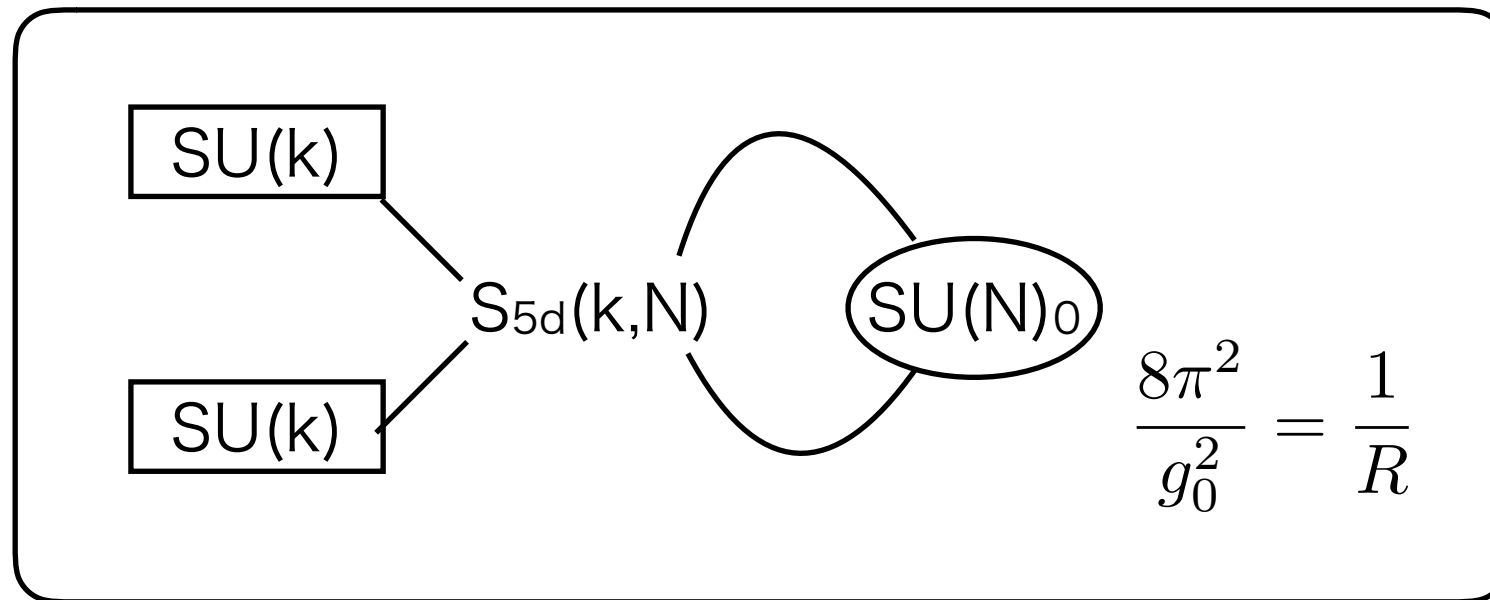
[Douglas, Moore '96]

$$\sum_{i=0}^{k-1} \frac{8\pi^2}{g_i^2} = \frac{1}{R}$$

$$\frac{8\pi^2}{g_i^2} \rightarrow 0 \quad (m_{SU(k)} \rightarrow 0) \quad \text{for } i = 1, \dots, k-1$$

$$m_{SU(k)} = \text{diag}(\dots, m_{SU(k),i}, \dots)$$

Turning off Wilson lines



✧ $SU(N)_0$ at affine node:
weakly coupled

✧ $SU(N)_i$ ($i=1, \dots, k-1$) at finite
node: strongly coupled

5d SCFT $S_{5d}(k,N)$

- UV fixed point of linear quiver gauge theory

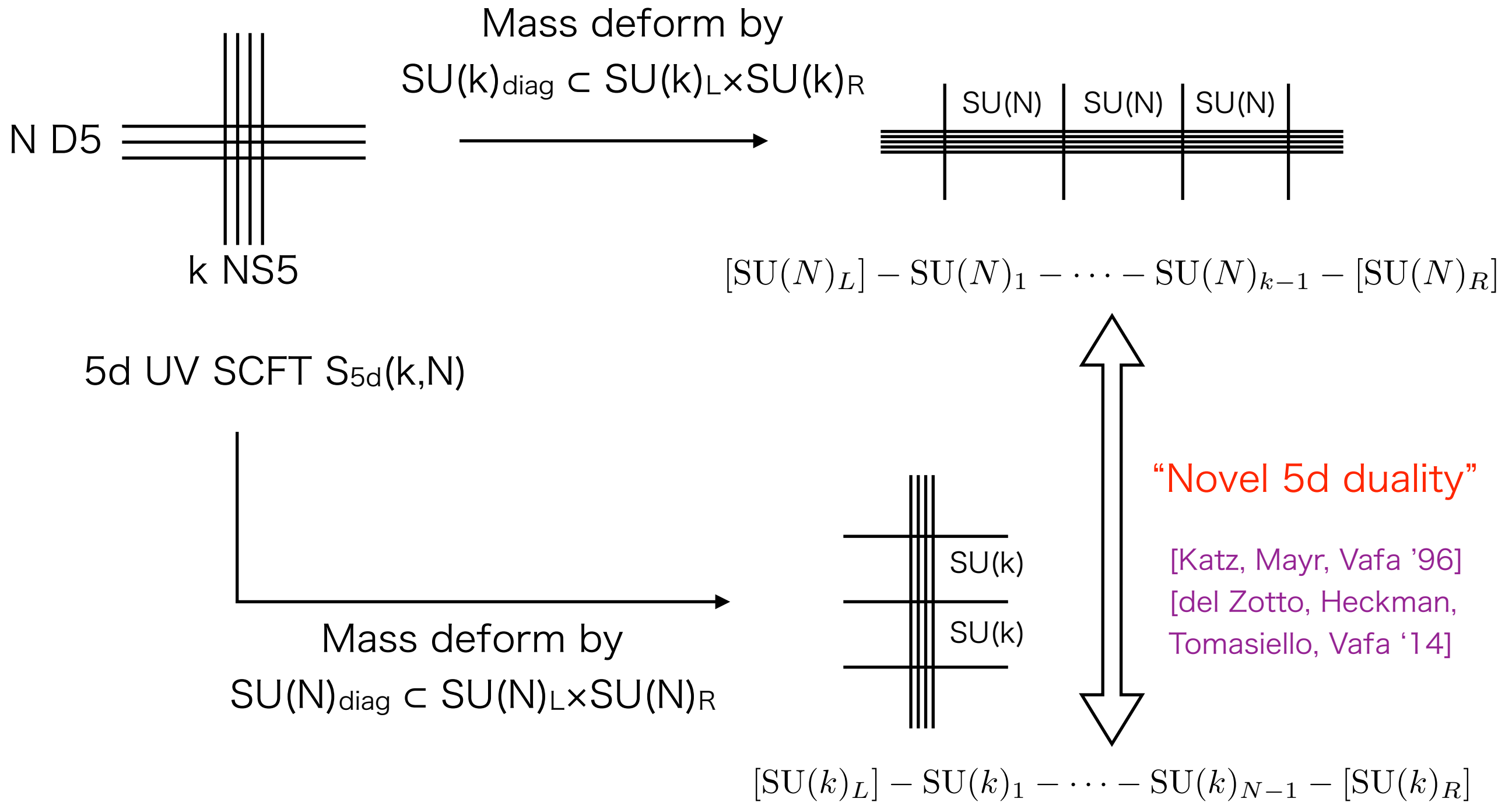
$$[SU(N)_L] - SU(N)_1 - \dots - SU(N)_{k-1} - [SU(N)_R]$$

- Global symmetry enhancement

$$SU(N)_L \times SU(N)_R \longrightarrow$$

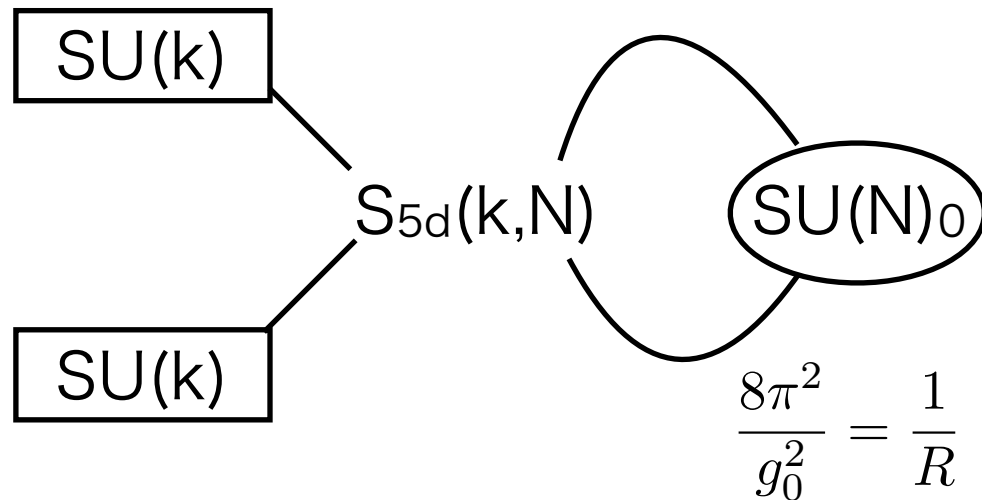
$$SU(N)_L \times SU(N)_R \times SU(k)_L \times SU(k)_R$$

IIB brane web for $S_{5d}(k,N)$

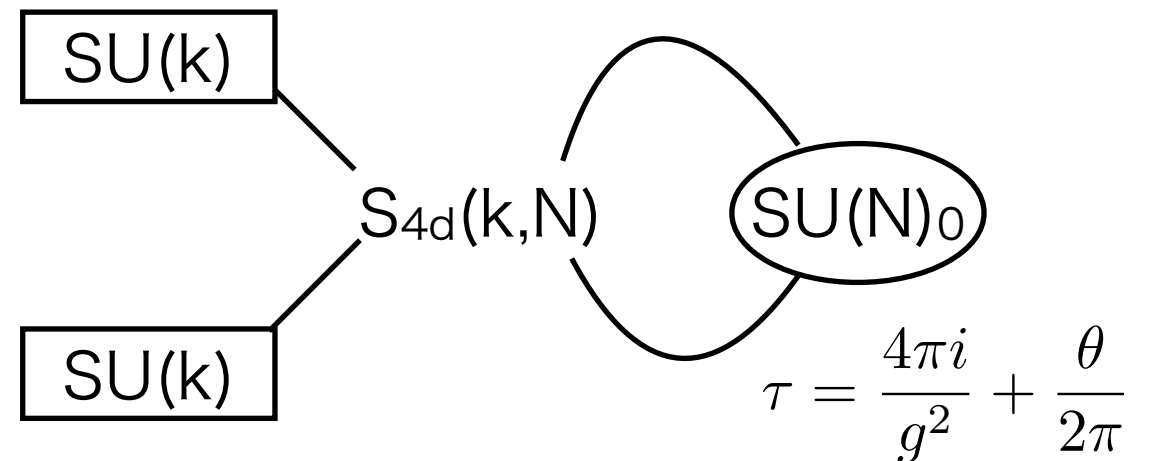


From 5d to 4d

$T_{6d}(k,N)$ on S^1 with radius R

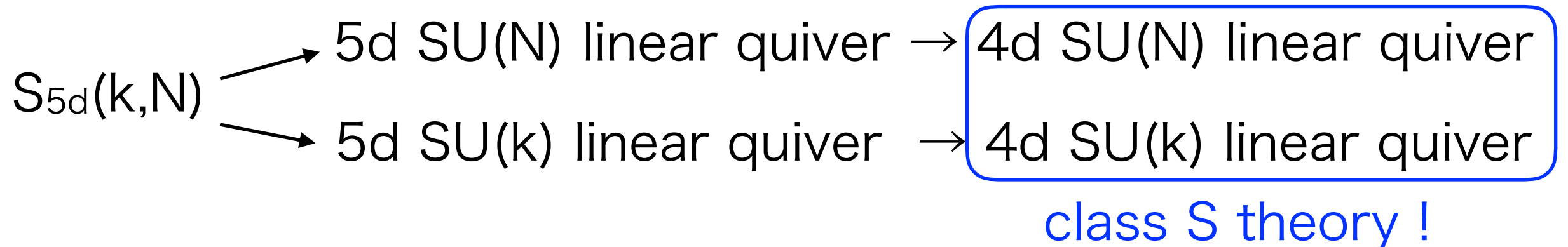


$T_{6d}(k,N)$ on T^2 with cplx str τ



$$S_{4d}(k,N) = S_{5d}(k,N) \text{ on } S^1$$

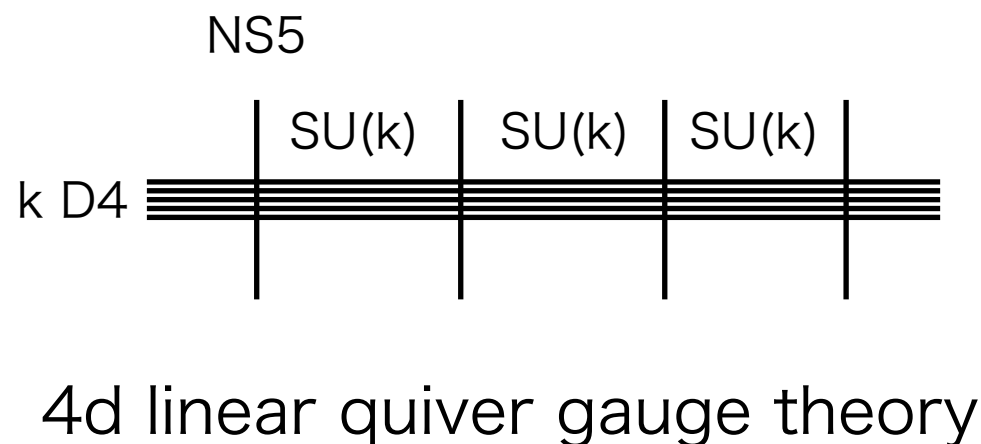
To study $S_{4d}(k,N)$, mass deform $S_{5d}(k,N)$ in two ways



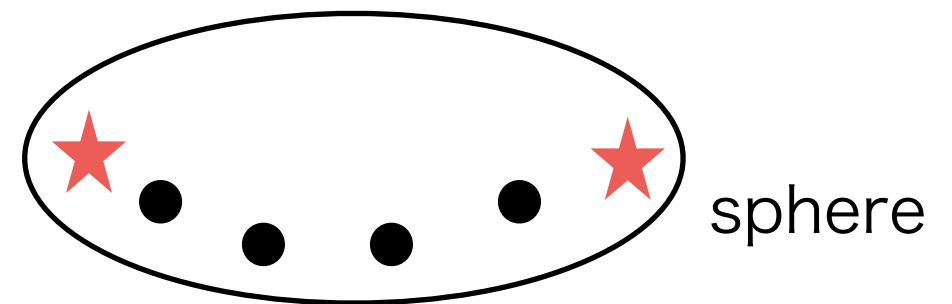
Tuning mass parameters (1)

[Gaiotto '09]

A_{k-1} (2,0) theory on

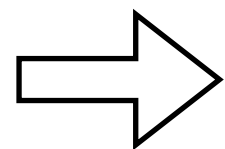


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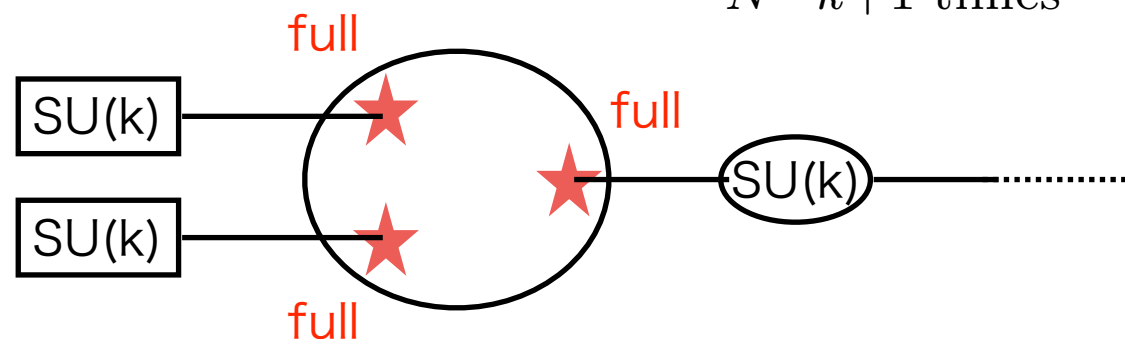


- ★ full puncture $[1^k]$
- simple puncture $[k-1, 1]$

Tuning 5d mass parameters for $SU(N)_{\text{diag}} \rightarrow$ Collide N simple punctures



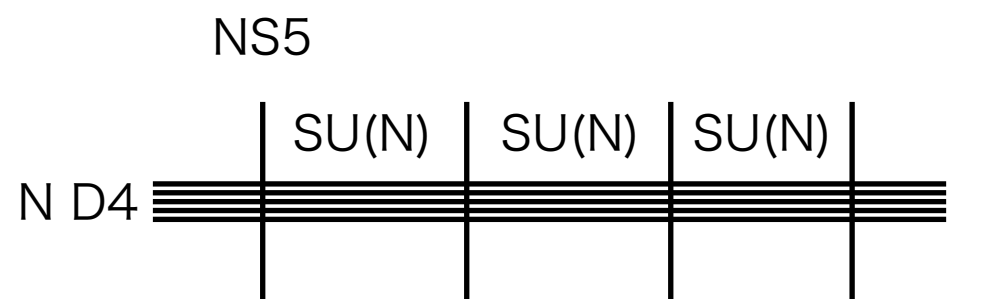
$$T_k \{ [1^k], [1^k], [1^k] \} - \underbrace{SU(k) - \dots - SU(k)}_{N-k+1 \text{ times}} - SU(k-1) - \dots - SU(1)$$



※ full puncture \rightarrow
SU(k) flavor symmetry

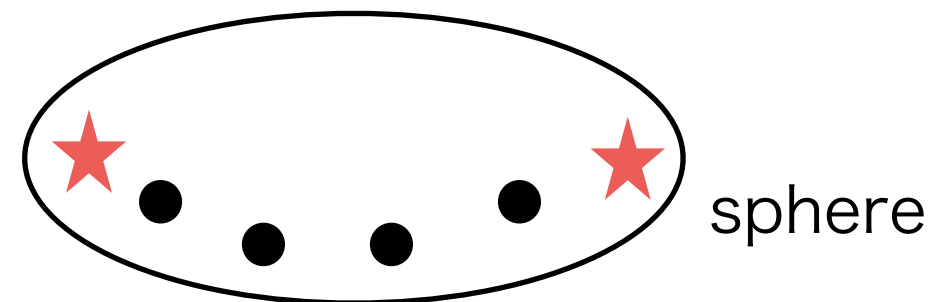
Tuning mass parameters (2)

[Gaiotto '09]



4d linear quiver gauge theory

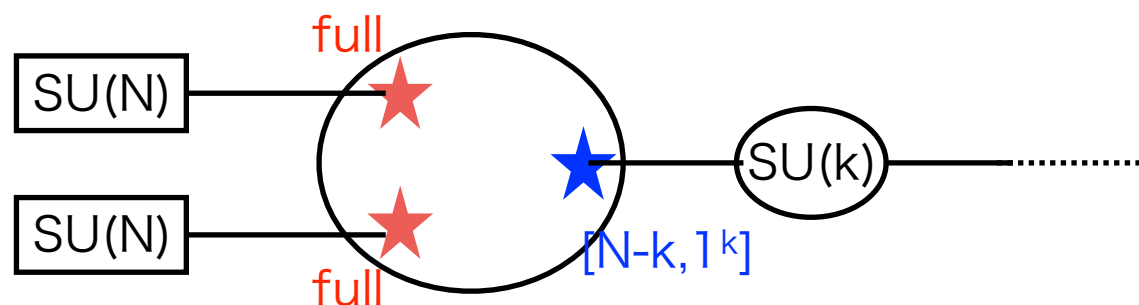
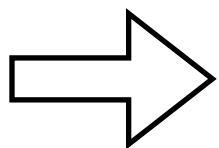
A_{N-1} (2,0) theory on



- ★ full puncture $[1^N]$
- simple puncture $[N-1, 1]$

Tuning 5d mass parameters for $SU(k)_{\text{diag}} \rightarrow$ Collide k simple punctures

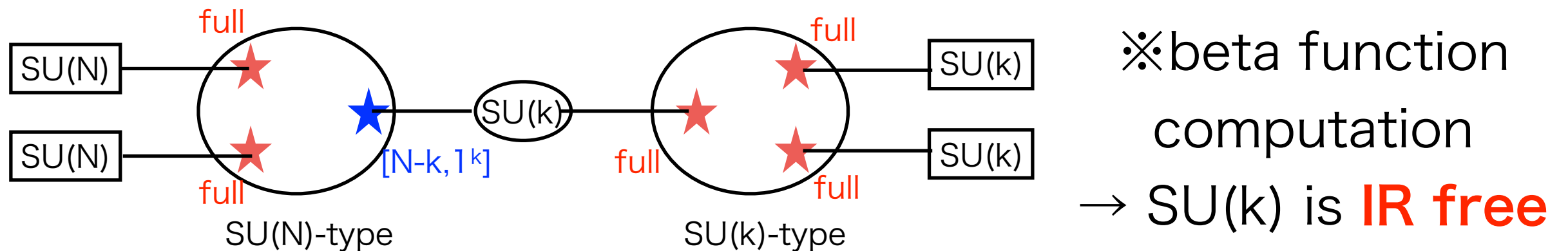
$$T_N\{[1^N], [1^N], [N-k, 1^k]\} - SU(k) - SU(k-1) - \dots - SU(1)$$



✂ $[N-k, 1^k]$ puncture \rightarrow
 $SU(k)$ flavor symmetry

Class S description of $S_{4d}(k,N)$

$$S_{4d}(k, N) = T_N\{[1^N], [1^N], [N - k, 1^k]\} - SU(k) - T_k\{[1^k], [1^k], [1^k]\}$$



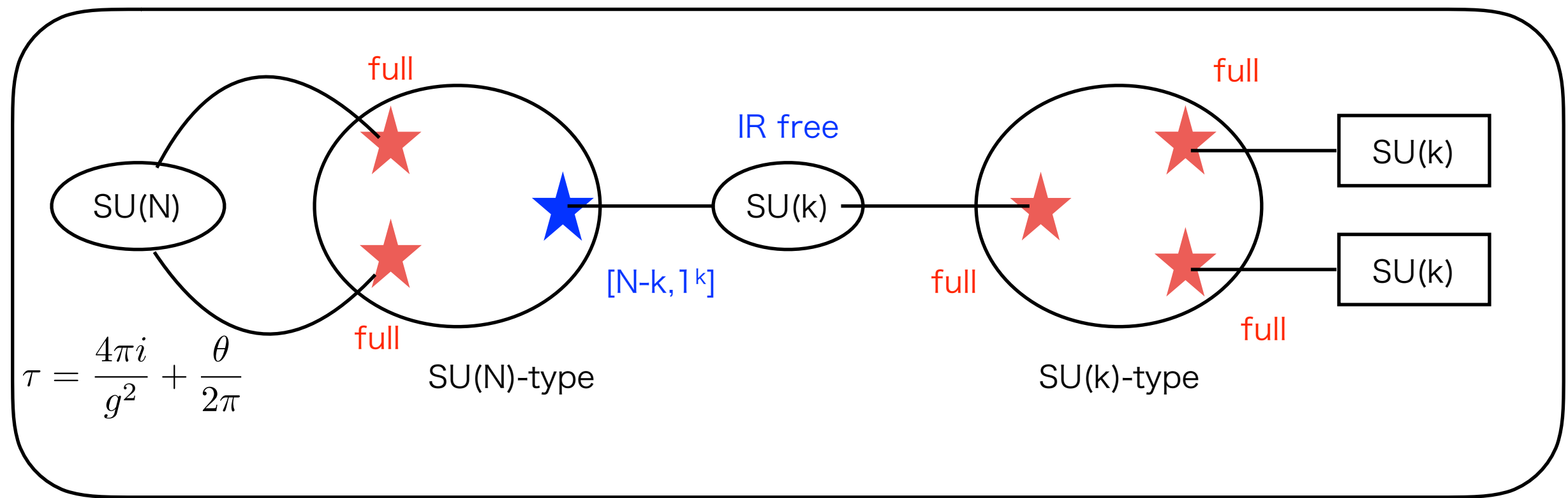
Check: mass deformation of class S theory

$$T_M\{[1^M], [1^M], Y\} \text{ by } SU(M)_{\text{diag}}$$

[Bergman, Zafrir '14][Hayashi, Tachikawa, Yonekura '14]

\longrightarrow Reproduce previous generalized quivers!

6d (SU(k),SU(k)) conformal matters on T^2



- Class S theories as building blocks
- IR free gauge group SU(k)
- $SL(2,Z)$ action on $SU(N)_{\text{diag}}$ gauge coupling
- $SU(k) \times SU(k)$ flavor symmetry is manifest

Generalizations

Very Higgsable 6d $N=(1,0)$ SCFT

[arXiv:1503.06217]

- Consider 6d $N=(1,0)$ SCFT that can be completely Higgsed to **free hypermultiplets**

(Precise definition needs F-theory)

Ex.1 (general rank) E-string theory

Ex.2 minimal 6d (G,G) conformal matter

= **single** M5 brane probing C^2/Γ_G singularity

Circle/Torus compactification

S^1/T^2 compactification of very Higgsable

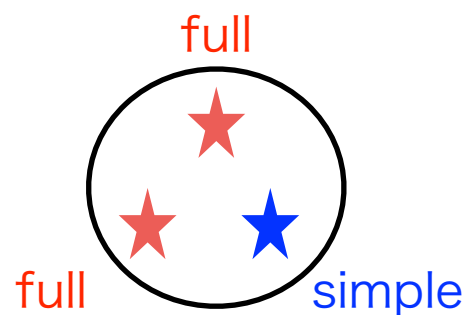
6d $N=(1,0)$ SCFT

⇒ genuine 5d $N=1$ / 4d $N=2$ SCFT

Example: • E-string theory

→ (higher-rank) MN E_8 SCFT

• minimal 6d (G,G) conformal matter



→ G-type **class S theory** on a sphere with two full and one simple punctures

6d $N=(1,0)$ SCFT that is
Higgsable to $N=(2,0)$ theory

[arXiv:1508.00915]

- Consider 6d $N=(1,0)$ SCFT that can be Higgsed to
G-type 6d (2,0) theory

(Precise definition needs F-theory)

Ex.1 (non-minimal) 6d (G,G) conformal matter

= **multiple** M5 branes probing C^2/Γ_G singularity

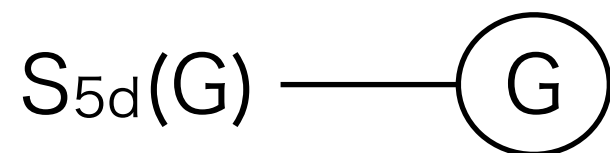
Ex.2 $\{SU(u_i)\}$ linear quiver gauge theory

[Gaiotto, Tomasiello '14]

Circle compactification

S^1 compactification of 6d $N=(1,0)$ SCFT that is
Higgsable to G -type $(2,0)$ theory

→ 5d $N=1$ SCFT $S_{5d}\{G\}$ with global symmetry G
+ IR free G vector multiplet



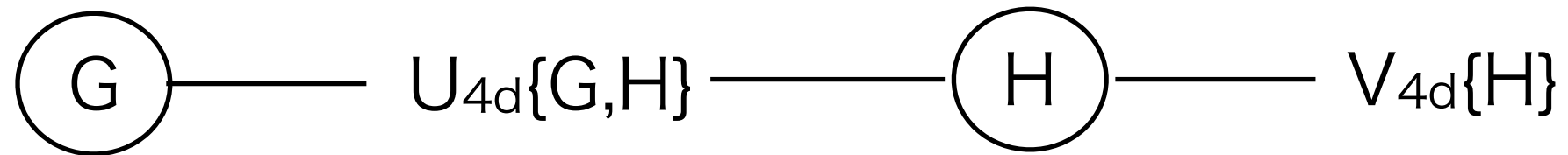
$$\frac{8\pi^2}{g^2} = \frac{1}{R}$$

Torus compactification

T^2 compactification of 6d $N=(1,0)$ SCFT that is
Higgsable to G -type $(2,0)$ theory

⇒ 4d $N=2$ SCFTs $U_{4d}\{G,H\}$ and $V_{4d}\{H\}$
+ G vector multiplet + H vector multiplet

Note that IR free vector H and 4d $N=2$ SCFT $V_{4d}\{H\}$ can be empty
for some theories (For details, see our paper)



- gauge coupling of G = cpx moduli of T^2
- H vector: IR free
- We identified $U_{4d}\{G,H\}$, $V_{4d}\{H\}$ and H for (non-minimal) 6d (G,G) conformal matter and $\{SU(u_i)\}$ linear quiver gauge theory

Conclusions

- Circle/torus compactification of 6d $N=(1,0)$ SCFT may contain IR free gauge group
- We introduced the concept of 6d $N=(1,0)$ SCFT that is very Higgsable or Higgsable to $(2,0)$ theory
- We identified the resulting 5d $N=1$ / 4d $N=2$ theories for many concrete 6d $N=(1,0)$ SCFTs

Thank you!