Tilings, Dimers, and Quiver Gauge Theories

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Central Question

- What is the gauge theory living on a D3 brane that probes a non-compact singular CY manifold?
- The construction we will see today solves this long standing problem for the case of toric CY singularities

Motivation for study

- Get information on N=1 supersymmetric gauge theories look close to real world
- Generically theories one studies are chiral
 as in real world..
- More examples of SCFTs in 4 dimensions
- Get information on string backgrounds using D brane probes - what is a D brane?



Periodic bipartite tiling

Tiling - Quiver dictionary

- 2n sided face U(N) Gauge group with nN flavors
- Edge A bi-fundamental chiral multiplet charged under the two gauge groups corresponding to the faces it separates.
- k valent node A k-th order interaction term in the superpotential



Z₃ orbifold of C³



Example: Conifold

Comments

- Arrows are oriented in an alternating fashion
- Graph is bi-partite: Nodes alternate between clockwise (white) and counterclockwise (black) orientations of arrows
- black (white) nodes connected to white (black) only

Comments

- odd sided faces are forbidden by anomaly cancellation condition
- white nodes with + sign in the superpotential
- black nodes with sign in the superpotential
- These rules define a unique Lagrangian



Logical flow chart



Tiling for $F_0(P^1 \times P^1)$



Periodic Quiver for Fo



Logical flow chart

Brane tiling	Gauge theory
$F\colon$ number of faces	N_g : number of gauge groups
$E\colon$ number of edges	N_f : number of fields
$N{:}$ number of nodes	N_W : number of superpotential terms

$$N_g + N_W - N_f = 0.$$

Euler's formula

Dimers

- and now for "Dimer" techniques
- Dimer a line connecting 2 nodes
- Perfect matching a collection of dimers such that every node is covered precisely once
- Adjacency matrix between white & black nodes Kasteleyn matrix



Perfect matchings SPP

Combinatorial Problem

- Given a Tiling, how many perfect matchings can one write down?
- Solved by writing the Adjacency (Kasteleyn) Matrix



Example: Del Pezzo 3, Model I



$$K = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 4 & 6 \\ \hline 1 & 1 + w & 1 - zw & 1 + z \\ 3 & 1 & -1 & -w^{-1} \\ 5 & -z^{-1} & -1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

Kasteleyn matrix R. Kenyon



Toric diagram of dP3I







Perfect matching Y³² I







Perfect matching Y³² II



Logical flow chart

Moduli Space of Vacua

- All quiver theories arising from periodic bipartite tilings have toric noncompact CY as their moduli space of vacua
- Computed using the Kasteleyn matrix:
- Adjacency matrix between white and black nodes
- det K gives a convex polygon on 2d lattice

homology from toric diagram

- Given toric diagram set
- I = # internal nodes, E = # external nodes
- #4 cycles = I
- #2 cycles = I + E 3
- 2 Area = 2I + E 2 (Pick's Theorem)
- # Gauge Groups = #4 + #2 + #0 = 2 Area

Bonus: multiplicities

 The coefficients of P(z,w) are integers and are the multiplicities of the linear sigma model fields used to define the CY as a toric variety

Orbifolds

- Here we report on some interesting aspect for orbifolds of the type
- $C^{3}/Z_{n} \text{ or } C^{3}/(Z_{n} * Z_{m})$
- Multiplicities of toric diagrams give a very rich combinatorial structure and sheds new light on orbifolds
- interesting from a mathematical point of view and physical point of view.

Multiplicities of Toric Diagrams

$$\begin{split} \mathbb{C}^{3}/(\mathbb{Z}_{3}\times\mathbb{Z}_{3}) &: \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -3 & 3 & -1 \\ -3 & -21 & -3 \\ 3 & -3 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix} \mathbb{C}^{3}/(\mathbb{Z}_{4}\times\mathbb{Z}_{4}) &: \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -4 & 6 & -4 & 1 \\ -4 & -124 & -124 & -4 \\ 6 & -124 & 6 \\ -4 & -4 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \\ \mathbb{C}^{3}/(\mathbb{Z}_{2}\times\mathbb{Z}_{4}) &: \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -2 & 1 \\ -4 & -12 \\ 6 & -2 \\ -4 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \mathbb{C}^{3}/(\mathbb{Z}_{5}\times\mathbb{Z}_{5}) &: \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -5 & 10 & -10 & 5 & -1 \\ -5 & -605 & -1905 & -605 & -5 \\ 10 & -1905 & 1905 & -10 \\ -10 & -605 & -10 \\ 5 & -5 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix} \\ \mathcal{C}/(\mathbb{Z}_{1}\times\mathbb{Z}_{2}) &: \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ -2 & -2 \\ 1 & -1 \end{bmatrix} \mathbb{C}/(\mathbb{Z}_{3}\times\mathbb{Z}_{3}) &: \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -3 & 3 & -1 \\ -3 & -105 & -105 & -3 \\ 3 & -105 & 105 & -3 \\ -1 & -3 & -3 & -1 \end{bmatrix} \end{split}$$

orbifold examples



$C^{3}/Z_{4} \times Z_{4}$ with 2 points removed

$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & -3 & 3 & -1 \\ -3 & -65 & -43 & -1 \\ 3 & -51 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$	$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & -3 & 3 & -1 \\ -3 & -71 & -53 & -1 \\ 3 & -45 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$	$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & -3 & 3 & -1 \\ -3 & -81 & -59 & -1 \\ 3 & -59 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$
$\begin{bmatrix} -1 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$	$\begin{bmatrix} -1 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$	$\begin{bmatrix} -1 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$
$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & -3 & 3 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$	$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & -3 & 3 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$	$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & -3 & 3 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$
-3 - 65 - 51 - 1	-3 - 71 - 45 - 1	-3 - 73 - 43 - 1
3 - 43 2	3 - 53 2	3 - 43 2
$\begin{bmatrix} -1 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$	$\begin{bmatrix} -1 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$	$\begin{bmatrix} -1 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$

orbifold formulae

$$\begin{split} & (z_1, z_2, z_3) \mapsto (\lambda z_1, z_2, \lambda^{-1} z_3), \quad \lambda^n = 1 \\ & (z_1, z_2, z_3) \mapsto (z_1, \omega z_2, \omega^{-1} z_3), \quad \omega^m = 1 \end{split}$$

$$P_{n,m}(z,w) = \prod_{i=0}^{n-1} \prod_{j=0}^{m-1} P(\lambda^i z^{1/n}, \omega^j w^{1/m})$$

- P(z,w)=1+z+w
- Z_n action: (1,a,-1-a)

• $P_n(z,w)$ is Resultant_x of $x^n+z & x^{a+1}+x^a+w$

$$P_n(z,w) = \prod_{i=0}^{n-1} P(\lambda^{ai} w^{a/n} z^{(n-a)/n}, \lambda^{(a+1)i} w^{(a+1)/n} z^{(n-a-1)/n})$$



Seiberg Duality



Integrating out massive fields

$$\sum R_i = 2 \qquad \text{for each node}$$

 $i \in edges around node$

 $(1 - R_i) = 2$ for each face

 $i \in edges around face$

 \sum

 \sum $(\pi R_i) = 2\pi$

for each node

 $i \in edges around node$

 $(\pi R_i) = (\# edges - 2)\pi$ for each face $i \in edges around face$

IR fixed point



Isoradial embed. dP1



dP2 II



dP3 I



SPP tiling

Zig-Zag path (dP1)



properties of zig-zag paths

- each edge has precisely two paths going through it
- each path corresponds to an external leg in the (p,q) web dual to the toric diagram
- important for computing R charges & a-maximization

Conclusions

- Periodic tilings of 2d plane N=1 SCFT's
- compute properties of quiver gauge theories using dimer techniques
- Solved a long standing problem computing superpotetials for D3 brans probing singular CY's
- Construct infinite families of quiver gauge theories (Y^{p,q} L^{a,b,c}...)