Tutorial Dualities in Field and String Theory

1.) N = 1 Seiberg duality and 't Hooft anomaly matching 7 pt

- a) For the N = 1 Seiberg dual $SU(N_f N_c)$ Super-QCD theory $(N_f > N_c + 1)$ with the discussed chiral spectrum D_f , $\tilde{D}^{\tilde{f}}$, $K^f_{\tilde{f}}$, $f, \tilde{f} = 1, \ldots, N_f$ determine the quantum numbers (representations) with respect to the global non-anomalous symmetries $SU(N_f)_L \times SU(N_f)_R \times U(1)_B \times U(1)_{\tilde{B}}$ Hint: Note that the superpotential $W = \sum_{f,\tilde{f}} K^f_{\tilde{f}} D_f D^{\tilde{f}}$ has \tilde{R} -charge 2.
- b) Determine the \tilde{R} -charges of the fermions of the N = 1 Seiberg dual $SU(N_f N_c)$ Super-QCD theory.
- c) Calculate the anomaly coefficient for $SU(N_f)^3_{L/R}$, $SU(N_f)^2_{L/R}U(1)_B$, $SU(N_f)^2_{L/R}U(1)_{\tilde{R}}$, $U(1)^3_{\tilde{R}}, U(1)^2_B U(1)_{\tilde{R}}$ and tr $U(1)_{\tilde{R}}$ in the N = 1 Seiberg dual $SU(N_f - N_c)$ Super-QCD theory.
- d) Calculate the anomaly coefficient for $SU(N_f)^3_{L/R}$, $SU(N_f)^2_{L/R}U(1)_B$, $SU(N_f)^2_{L/R}U(1)_{\tilde{R}}$, $U(1)^3_{\tilde{R}}, U(1)^2_B U(1)_{\tilde{R}}$ and tr $U(1)_{\tilde{R}}$ in the $N = 1 SU(N_c)$ Super-QCD theory with the discussed chiral spectrum Q^f and $\tilde{Q}_{\tilde{f}}$, $f, \tilde{f} = 1, \ldots, N_f$. Compare the anomaly coefficients of the two theories.

2.) Extended supersymmetry

The extended supersymmetry algebra with 4N supercharges is given by

$$\{Q^a_{\alpha}, \bar{Q}_{\dot{\alpha}b}\} = 2\sigma^{\mu}_{\alpha\dot{\alpha}}P_{\mu}\delta^b_a \qquad a, b = 1, \dots, N$$
$$\{Q^a_{\alpha}, Q^b_{\beta}\} = \{\bar{Q}_{\dot{\alpha}a}, \bar{Q}_{\dot{\beta}b}\} = 0$$

- a) Construct anti-commuting raising and lowering operators for massless super multiplets of N-extended supersymmetry. Starting from a Clifford vacuum $|\Omega_{\lambda}\rangle$ of helicity λ , list and enumerate the possible states together with their helicities. What is the total number of bosonic and fermionic states?
- b) Determine the maximal number of extended supersymmetries for (i) a theory with helicity states $|\lambda| \leq 1$ ("maximal globally supersymmetric field theories") and (ii) for a theory with helicity states $|\lambda| \leq 2$ ("maximal locally supersymmetric gravity theories").
- c) For N = 4 extended supersymmetry determine all massless multiplets with helicity states $|\lambda| \leq 1$. Decompose the resulting N = 4 massless multiplets into massless N = 2 and massless N = 1 multiplets.
- d) Consider an N = 4 extended supersymmetric gauge theory with gauge group G. What are the possible representations of matter fields with respect to the gauge symmetry G?

Hint: Assume that all massless vector fields in the spectrum give rise to gauge bosons in the usual way.

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