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# Mathematical Gauge Theory II

Sheet 11

**Exercise 1.** (Seiberg-Witten equations on the flat torus) Consider  $T^4 = \mathbb{R}^4/\mathbb{Z}^4$  with a flat metric  $g_0$  induced by the scalar product of  $\mathbb{R}^4$ . Prove the following statements.

- (a) Any solution  $(A, \Phi)$  to the unperturbed Seiberg-Witten equations on  $(T^4, g_0)$  is reducible, i.e.  $\Phi$  vanishes identically. For a generic flat metric  $\hat{A}$  is flat.
- (b) If the expected dimension of the moduli space for a  $\text{Spin}^c$ -structure  $\mathfrak{s}$  on  $T^4$  is non-negative, and the moduli space is non-empty, then the  $\text{Spin}^c$ -structure is the unique one induced by any spin structure, and the moduli space is a copy of  $T^4$ .

**Exercise 2.** (Small perturbations of the Seiberg-Witten equations on  $T^4$ ) Consider  $T^4 = \mathbb{R}^4/\mathbb{Z}^4$  with its flat Riemannian metric  $g_0$  induced by the scalar product of  $\mathbb{R}^4$ . Let  $\omega = dx_1 \wedge dx_2 + dx_3 \wedge dx_4$ . Note that this is a parallel  $g_0$ -self-dual 2-form.

For a  $\text{Spin}^c$ -structure  $\mathfrak{s} = (\gamma, V)$  on  $T^4$  consider the perturbed Seiberg-Witten equations

$$\begin{aligned} D_A^+ \Phi &= 0 \\ F_A^+ &= \sigma(\Phi, \Phi) + i\varepsilon\omega, \end{aligned}$$

where  $0 < \varepsilon \ll 1$  is real and positive, and very small. Assume that the expected dimension of the moduli space of solutions is non-negative.

- (a) Prove that if there is a solution to the equations, then  $\langle c_1^2(L_{\mathfrak{s}}), [T^4] \rangle = 0$ , equivalently the expected dimension is zero.
- (b) For the unique  $\text{Spin}^c$ -structure with  $c_1(L_{\mathfrak{s}}) = 0$  prove that there is precisely one solution up to gauge equivalence for every  $\varepsilon \neq 0$ .

**Exercise 3.** Consider  $\mathbb{C}P^2$  endowed with the Fubini-Study metric  $g_{FS}$  with associated fundamental form  $\omega_{FS}$ , and the perturbed Seiberg-Witten equations

$$\begin{aligned} D_A^+ \Phi &= 0 \\ F_A^+ &= \sigma(\Phi, \Phi) + i\varepsilon\omega_{FS}. \end{aligned}$$

Show that for every  $\text{Spin}^c$ -structure there is a unique  $\varepsilon$  such that the equations have precisely one solution, which is reducible. What is the relation between this value of  $\varepsilon$  and the  $\text{Spin}^c$ -structure?

(please turn)

**Exercise 4.** (Unperturbed SW equation on  $\mathbb{C}P^2 \# \overline{\mathbb{C}P^2}$ ) Consider  $\mathbb{C}P^2 \# \overline{\mathbb{C}P^2}$  endowed with a metric with positive scalar curvature.

- (a) Classify  $\text{Spin}^c$ -structures on  $\mathbb{C}P^2 \# \overline{\mathbb{C}P^2}$  in terms of the cohomology.
- (b) Compute the expected dimension of the moduli space of solutions to the unperturbed Seiberg-Witten equation for any  $\text{Spin}^c$ -structure.
- (c) Prove that for every  $\text{Spin}^c$ -structure the unperturbed Seiberg-Witten equation has no solution.

You can hand in solutions in the lecture on Thursday, 3 February 2022.