

# Gauged Gromov-Witten theory and infinite-dimensional GIT

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For whole talk,  $C$  Riemann surface

Consider algebraic stack  $\text{Bun}_n(C) = \text{Map}(C, \text{BGL}_n)$

$$(T \xrightarrow{\text{maps}} \text{Bun}_n(C)) = \left( \begin{array}{l} \text{rank } n \text{ vector bundles} \\ \text{on } C \times T \end{array} \right)$$

"functor of points"

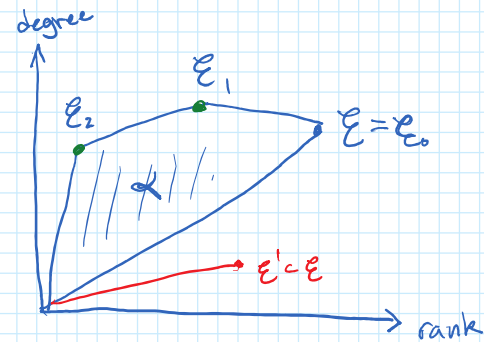
Solution to classification problem = special stratification of this moduli problem

Semistable locus:  $\mathcal{E}$  is semistable if  $\nexists$  subbundle of larger slope

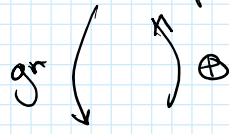
$\leadsto$  defines open substack  $\text{Bun}_n^{ss} \subset \text{Bun}_n(C)$  that admits a projective good moduli space.

Unstable locus:

Thm: (Harder-Narasimhan) Every unstable bundle  $\mathcal{E}$  admits unique convex filtration whose graded pieces are semistable.



$\text{Bun}_n(C) = \text{Bun}_n^{ss} \cup \bigcup_{\alpha} \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{bundles w/ HN filtration} \\ \text{of shape } \alpha \end{array} \right\}$  ← stratification by locally closed substacks



$$Z_{\alpha}^{ss} = \text{Bun}_{r_1, d_1}^{ss} \times \dots \times \text{Bun}_{r_p, d_p}^{ss}$$

has projective good moduli space

Goal: Discover this structure on other moduli stacks.

Moduli of gauged maps

Let  $G$  be reductive group,  $X$  a linear representation

$$M_C^G(X) = \text{Map}(C, X/G) = \left\{ \begin{array}{l} G\text{-bundles } P \rightarrow C \text{ and} \\ \text{a section of } P \times^G X \rightarrow C \end{array} \right\}$$

- Ex: 1) vector bundle + endomorphism.  $\rightsquigarrow$  Higgs bundles  
 2) vector bundle + section of  $\Lambda^2 E$

Motivation: There's a family of stability conditions depending on  $\delta \geq 0$ . For  $\delta \gg 0$ , integrals of tautological classes on  $M_C^G(X)^{\delta-ss}$  is related by wall-crossing to GW of  $X^{ss}/G$ .

K-theoretic gauged GW-invariants

$$\chi(M_C^G(X)^{\delta-ss}, \text{taut.}) = \sum (-1)^i \dim H^i(\text{taut.})$$

Strategy for computing them:

1)  $p: M_C^G(X) \rightarrow \text{Bun}_G$  forgets section

$p^*(\Theta) \sim \text{Sym}(P^\circ)$  explicit computation in K-theory

$$\chi(M_C^G(X), p^*(\text{taut.})) = \chi(\text{Bun}_G, \text{Sym}(P^\circ) \otimes (\text{taut.}))$$

Teeman-Woodward gives explicit formulas

2) virtual non-abelian localization

$$\chi(M_C^G(X)^{\delta-ss}, p^*(\text{taut.})) = \chi(\text{Bun}_G, \text{Sym}(P^\circ) \otimes (\text{taut.})) + (\text{correction terms from unstable strata})$$

applies to a stack with a  $\Theta$ -stratification (generalized HN stratification of  $\text{Bun}_G$ )

The main application (in progress) for tautological classes on  $\text{Bun}_G$ ,  $\chi(M_C^G(X)^{\delta-ss}, p^*(\text{taut.}) \otimes \mathcal{L})$  is given by Teeman-Woodward formula if  $\mathcal{L}$  has sufficiently positive level.

# $\Theta$ -stratifications

$\Theta = \mathbb{A}^1/G_m$  a filtration in a general stack  $\mathcal{X}$  is a map  $f: \Theta \rightarrow \mathcal{X} \rightsquigarrow$   $f(1)$  underlying object  
 $f(0)$  associated graded point

In our example:  $G = GL_n$

$$(\text{maps } f: \Theta \rightarrow M_C^G(X)) = \left( \begin{array}{l} \mathbb{Z}\text{-weighted filtered vector bundle} \\ \dots \subset E_{w+1} \subset E_w \subset \dots \text{ that is compatible} \\ \text{with section of associated bundle for} \\ E = E_w \text{ for } w \leq 0 \end{array} \right)$$

## What is $\Theta$ -stratification?

For any stack  $\mathcal{X}$ ,  $\text{Filt}(\mathcal{X}) = \text{Map}(\Theta, \mathcal{X}) \leftarrow$  stack also an algebraic

A  $\Theta$ -stratification is an open substack  $S \subset \text{Map}(\Theta, \mathcal{X})$  with components  $S_\alpha$  such that  $\text{ev}_1: S_\alpha \rightarrow \mathcal{X}$  is a locally closed immersion (+ condition on how closures of strata meet)

$\rightsquigarrow$  Key point: need to find canonical filtrations for unstable points ( $f: \Theta \rightarrow M_C^G(X)$ )

Canonical filtrations determined by a numerical invariant:

Assigns  $\mu_f(\Theta \xrightarrow{f} M_C^G(X)) \in \mathbb{R}$

$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{b}} (l_{\text{Bun}_G} + \delta l_X)$$

degree/rank of  $E$

- $l_{\text{Bun}_G} = \sum_{w \in \mathbb{Z}} w (\text{deg}(gr_w E_0) - \frac{D}{R} \text{rank}(gr_w E_0))$
- $l_X =$  Hilbert-Mumford weight  $\text{in } X/G$  at generic point of  $C$
- $b = \sum w^2 \text{rank}(gr_w E_0)$

(Motivation: in GIT,  $\mu(f: \Theta \rightarrow \mathcal{X}) = \frac{\text{wt}(f^*Z)}{\|f\|}$ )

Def: • A point  $^1$  is unstable if  $\exists f: \Theta \rightarrow M_c^G(X)$  with  $f(1) = (E, s)$  and  $\mu(f) > 0$

• A HN-filtration is an  $f$  that maximizes  $\mu(f)$  subject to  $f(1) = (E, s)$

Thm: This numerical invariant defines a  $\Theta$ -stratification of  $M_c^G(X)$ .

Comments on infinite dimensional GIT:

$$M_c^G(X) \stackrel{''}{=} \text{Gr}^{\text{BD}} / \text{Map}_{\text{rat}}(C, G) \quad \leftarrow \text{informal}$$

line bundles used for numerator of  $\mu$  are ample on affine Grassmannian  $\text{Gr}^{\text{BD}}$

definition  $\text{Gr}^{\text{BD}}$

