

Gopakumar-Vafa invariants of

local curves

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§ 1. Intro:

X : CY3. \equiv several curve counting theories:

(Gromov-Witten): counts $f: C \rightarrow X$ from curves C

(Donaldson-Thomas / Pandharipande-Thomas): counts $s: \mathcal{O}_X \rightarrow F$
 F : 1-dim'l sh's

(Gopakumar-Vafa): counts F : 1-dim'l sh's

Conj (Maulik-Nekrasov-Okounkov-Pandharipande,
 Maulik-Toda):

$$GW = DT = PT = GV.$$

• [Bridgeland, Toda]: $DT = PT$ for any sm py. CY3.

• [Pardon] : $GW = DT$ for any sm prj CTS

Pardon's strategy:

Step 1: Reduce everything to the case of local curves

i.e. $X = \text{Tot}_C(N)$, where C : sm prj curve
 N : rk 2 bundle w/ $\det(N) \cong \mathcal{O}_C$

Step 2: Compute GW & DT for local curves.

[Bryan-Pandharipande, Okounkov-Pandharipande]

\leadsto local curves are fundamental objects.

• $GW = GV$: widely open

Advantages in GW theory: a lot of computational tools

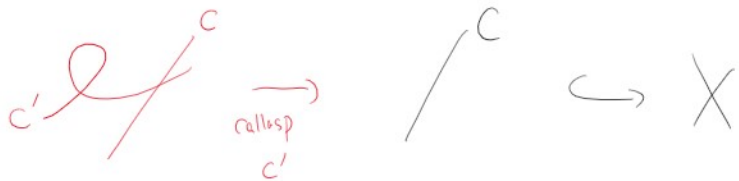
e.g.: degeneration & torus localization

Issues in GW theory:

$$M_{g,p}(X) = \left\{ f: C \rightarrow X \mid \begin{array}{l} f_*[C] = \beta, g(C) = g \\ f: \text{stable} \end{array} \right\}$$

a) : $M_{g,\beta}(X)$ is a stack \leadsto GW invariants are rational

b) : Consider an embedded curve $C \subset X$:



\leadsto C can contribute to as many GW inv's

Conj (Gopakumar - Vafa)

\exists another invariants $n_{g,\beta}$ s.t.

(integrality) : $n_{g,\beta} \in \mathbb{Z}$

(finiteness) : For a fixed β , $n_{g,\beta} = 0$ for $g \gg 0$

(GW = GV) : $n_{g,\beta}$ have equivalent info w/ GW invariants.

§2. Gopakumar - Vafa theory :

$X: \mathbb{C}P^3, \beta \in H_2(X, \mathbb{Z}), \chi \in \mathbb{Z}$.

$X: \text{LTS}, \beta \in \mathbb{Z} \cap \mathbb{N}, \kappa \in \mathbb{N} \setminus \mathbb{Z}$.

$\leadsto M = M_X(\beta, \kappa)$: the moduli space of

μ -semistable 1-dim'l sh's F w/ $[F] = \beta, \chi(F) = \kappa$

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(w.r.t. an ample divisor)

Key: M can be locally written as a critical locus

$$A^{\text{sm}} \supset \{df=0\} \cong U \subset M$$

$\downarrow f$
 \mathbb{C}

$\leadsto \phi_f$: a natural perverse sheaf of vanishing cycles on U

[Joyce et al]: ϕ_f glue to a global perverse shf ϕ_M on M .

$\bullet \pi: M_X(\beta, \kappa) \rightarrow \text{Chow}_\beta(X)$: the Hilbert - Chow morph.

Def (Maulik - Toda):

Define $n_{g, \beta, \kappa}(X)$ by the following equality:

$$\sum_{i \in \mathbb{Z}} \chi(\pi^i(\pi_+ \phi_n)) g^i = \sum_{g \geq 0} n_{g, \beta, \chi} \cdot (g^{\frac{1}{2}} + g^{-\frac{1}{2}})^{2g}$$

Idea: For a smooth curve C of genus g ,

- $\pi^{-1}([C]) \cong \underline{J(C)}$

- $(g^{\frac{1}{2}} + g^{-\frac{1}{2}})^{2g}$ is (shifted) Poincaré poly of $J(C)$

get rid of these contribution.

Fact: • For $\chi=1$, $n_{g, \beta, \chi=1} \in \mathbb{Z}$

- $n_{g, \beta, \chi} = 0$ for $g \gg 0$

Conj (Maulik - Toda) (χ -independence)

$$n_{g, \beta, \chi} = n_{g, \beta, \chi'}$$

$$\left[M_{g, \beta, X} = M_{g, \beta, X'} \right]$$

Thm 1 (Kino - K.)
 X -independence holds for any local curves.

Thm 2 (Davison - K.)
 $GW = GV$ holds for $X = \text{Tot}_C(N)$, $\begin{cases} C: \text{gens } 2, \\ N: \text{generic} \end{cases}$
 $\beta = 2[C]$, $C \subset X$: zero section.

§ 3. Local curves:

$$X = \text{Tot}_C(N) \rightsquigarrow \beta = r[C].$$

$$\underline{M_N(r, X)} := M_X(r[C], X).$$

$$\begin{aligned} N &= L^{\oplus r} \omega_C \otimes L \\ \Rightarrow X &\cong \text{Tot}_{T^*(L)}(\omega_{T^*(L)}) \end{aligned}$$

• N fits into: $0 \rightarrow L^+ \otimes \omega_C \rightarrow N \rightarrow L \rightarrow 0$, $\deg(L) \gg 0$

$$X = \text{Tot}_C(N) \rightarrow \text{Tot}_C(L)$$

• $M_L(r, X)$: the similar moduli space on $\text{Tot}_C(L)$

Thm (Kijyo - Masuda, Kijyo - K.)

• $M_{\text{Tot}_C(N)}(r, X) \cong \{df=0\} \subset M_L(h, X) \xrightarrow{f} \mathbb{C}$

• $\phi_{M_X} \cong \phi_f(\text{IC}_{M_L})$

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$X = \text{Tot}_C(N)$
 \downarrow
 $D^b(\text{Coh}_{\leq 1}(X))$ is equivalent to

a deformed CY completion of

$D^b(\text{Coh}_{\leq 1}(\text{Tot}_C(L)))$

$[N] \in \text{Ext}^1(L, L^+ \otimes \omega_C)$

$\cong \text{Hom}(L^+ \otimes \omega_C, L \otimes \omega_C)^*$
 $= H^0(L^{\otimes 2})^* \cong \mathbb{C}$

$B_L \rightarrow H^0(L^{\otimes 2}) \xrightarrow{l} \mathbb{C}$

• The Hilbert - Chow for M_L is called Hitchin map:

$h: M_L \rightarrow B_L = \bigoplus_{r=1}^r H^0(L^{\otimes r})$
affine space

$\leadsto f: M_L \xrightarrow{h} B_L \xrightarrow{l} \mathbb{C}$, where l is linear

Need to understand: $\phi_l(h_+ \text{IC}_{M_L})$

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$$h_* IC_{M_L(hx)} \cong h_* IC_{M_L(hx')}$$

This holds by Maulik-Shen.

Key: • (decomposition thm): $h_* IC_{M_L} \cong \bigoplus_{i \in \mathbb{Z}} P_i[i]$, P_i : perverse sheaves

• (Ngo's support thm.): supp of P_i are full.

• For Thm 2 (GW = GV), need to care about ϕ_R .

Consider the distinguished triangle: $P = \text{one of } P_i$'s

$$\underline{H(\phi_R(P))} \rightarrow \underline{H(P_0)} \rightarrow \underline{H(\Psi_R(P))}$$

where • P_0 : the stalk at the origin

• Ψ_R : the nearby cycle functor.

• $H(B_L, P_0) \leftrightarrow \underline{H^*(M_L, \mathbb{Q})}$ studied by $(B_L = H^0(L) \oplus H^0(L^{\otimes 2}))$

Expect: $X = \text{Tot}(L_1 \oplus L_2)$

$\text{Ng}, \beta \begin{cases} \Leftrightarrow \text{PT using Behrend fct.} \\ \Leftrightarrow \text{PT w/ anti-diagonal } \mathbb{C}^* \end{cases} \begin{matrix} \swarrow \\ \searrow \end{matrix} \begin{matrix} \text{Diagonals} \\ \dots \end{matrix}$

• $H(B_L, P_0) \hookrightarrow H^*(M_L, \mathbb{Q})$ studied by $(P_L = \pi(L) \oplus H^*(L^{\text{orb}}))$

[de Cataldo - Hausel - Migliorini, P=W paper]

• $H(M_L, \Psi_\varepsilon(P)) \cong H(P|_{U_\varepsilon})$, $U_\varepsilon = \mathbb{A}^1(\varepsilon)$, $0 < \varepsilon < 1$.
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 $B_L \hookrightarrow \mathbb{C}$

$\ell \rightarrow U_\varepsilon$: the universal spectral curve,

$p: \bar{J}(\ell/U_\varepsilon) \rightarrow U_\varepsilon$: the relative compactified Jacobian.

$$\rightsquigarrow p_* IC_{\bar{J}} \cong \bigoplus_i P_i|_{U_\varepsilon}[-i]$$

For $a \in U_\varepsilon$, define $\chi_g(a)$ using $\chi(P_i|_{U_\varepsilon}[-i])$.

\rightsquigarrow get a constructible fct. $\chi_g: U_\varepsilon \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}$.

We want to compute:

$$M_g^{U_\varepsilon} = \sum_{k \in \mathbb{Z}} k \cdot \chi_g^{-1}(k)$$

\rightsquigarrow P1 w/ anti-diagonal $(1^+ \dots)$

\Leftrightarrow GW w/ anti-diagonal \mathbb{C}^*

$$M_g^{U_\varepsilon} = \sum_{k \in \mathbb{Z}} k \cdot e(U_g^{-1}(k))$$

For $U_g(a)$:

- [Maulik-Yun, Migliorini-Sheende]: $GV = \underline{PT}$ for locally plane singularities
- [Oblomkov-Sheende, Maulik]: $PT = \text{HOMFLY}$

For $e(U_g^{-1}(k))$:

$\{U_g^{-1}(k)\}_{k \in \mathbb{Z}} \mapsto \{S_\lambda\}$ the stratification of U_ε given by

Singularity types of \mathcal{C}_a

$$U_\varepsilon \subset H^0(L^{\otimes 2}) \setminus \{0\}$$



$$PH^0(L^{\otimes 2}) \hookrightarrow \text{Sym}^d(\mathbb{C}) \supset T_\lambda, \lambda \vdash d$$

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \Rightarrow \mathbb{P}H^0(L^{\otimes 2}) & \hookrightarrow & \text{Sym}^2(C) \supset T_\lambda, \lambda \vdash d \\ \downarrow & & \downarrow \\ \{L^{\otimes 2}\} & \hookrightarrow & \mathbb{P}\mathbb{C}^d(C) \end{array} \quad (d = \deg(L^{\otimes 2}))$$

$$\leadsto S_\lambda = U_\varepsilon \cap T_\lambda.$$

Idea = realize S_λ as degeneracy locus.