

Symplectic topology as sheaf theory?

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We begin with a form of homological mirror symmetry for hypersurfaces in the torus $(\mathbb{C}^*)^n$. Data:

$P \subset \mathbb{R}^n$ integer polytope (bounded, with nonempty interior)

$$\varphi: P_{\mathbb{Z}} = P \cap \mathbb{Z}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}$$

We then define a hypersurface $M = F^{-1}(0) \subset (\mathbb{C}^*)^n$ by

$$F(z_1, \dots, z_n) = \sum_{v \in P_{\mathbb{Z}}} \varepsilon(v) z_1^{v_1} \dots z_n^{v_n}$$

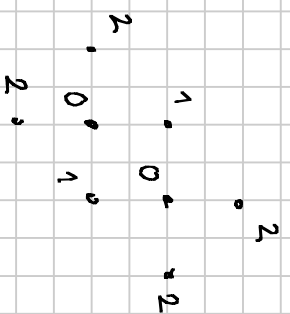
for $\varepsilon > 0$ small. Actually, any two hypersurfaces with a given Newton polytope P and generic coefficients are symplectically isomorphic. However, we find it useful to choose specific coefficients which allow us to analyze M .

Additional assumption:

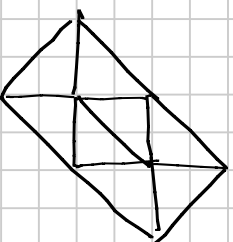
There is a (necessarily unique) decomposition of P into integer simplices P_k of volume $1/n!$, such that the extension of $\varphi_{\mathbb{Z}}$ to a function φ affine on each P_k is convex, and only differentiable on $\text{int}(P_k)$.

In that case, M is smooth for all $\varepsilon < 1$ (Kushnirenko) and has a corresponding decomposition in $(2n-2)$ -dimensional pairs-of-parts (Mikhalkin).

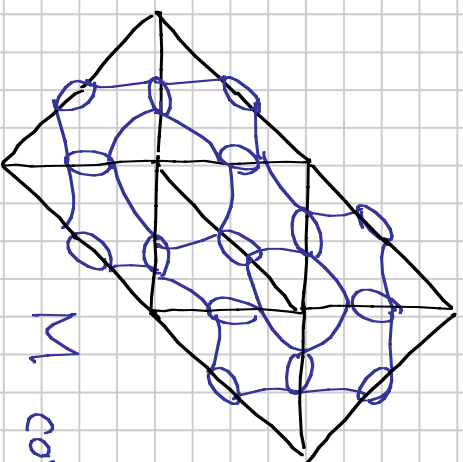
Ex.



$\varphi_{\mathbb{Z}}$



$$P = \bigcup_k P_k$$



M consists of
 \mathcal{P} pairs-of-parts

In the lowest nontrivial dimension $n=2$, N has genus equal to the number of points in $\mathbb{P}_{\mathbb{Z}} \setminus \text{GP}$; the number of punctures is the number of points in $\mathbb{P}_{\mathbb{Z}} \cap \text{GP}$; and the Euler characteristic is $-2 \text{vol}(\mathbb{P}) \rightarrow$ Pick's formula.

$2n$ -dimensional pair-of-pants:

$$N^n = \{ z \in (\mathbb{C}^*)^{n+1} : z_1 + \dots + z_n + z_{n+1} + 1 = 0 \}$$

$$= \mathbb{C}P^n \setminus (n+2) \text{ hyperplanes}$$

This is an affine variety, $H^*(N^n) \cong H^*(T^{n+1})$ for $* \leq n$.

There is a (kind of) simplicial structure to $\{N^n\}$, with embeddings $N^n \times \mathbb{C}^* \hookrightarrow N^{n+1}$

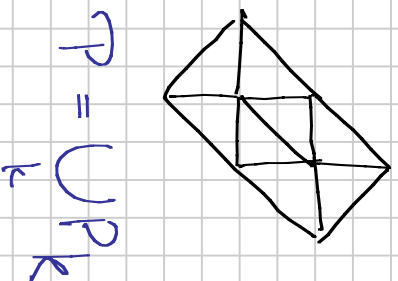
Mirror construction (similar to work of Gross-Siebert, or more classical literature on tric degenerations): take the Legendre transform

$$\psi: \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R},$$

$$\psi(w) = \max_v v \cdot w - \varphi(v)$$

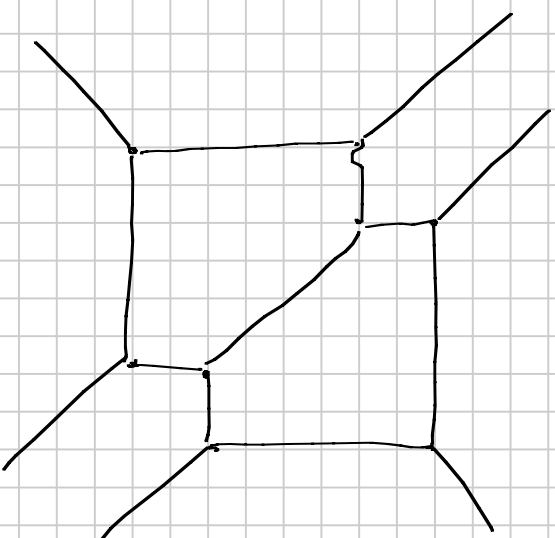
This is again convex, $\psi(\mathbb{Z}^n) \subset \mathbb{Z}$, piecewise affine, and induces a decomposition of \mathbb{R}^n into (partly noncompact) polytopes \mathcal{Q}_α

Ex.



$$P = \bigcup_k P_k$$

Legendre
duality



$$\mathbb{R}^n = \bigcup \mathcal{Q}_\alpha$$

We define an associated degeneration of toric varieties
 $W: \mathcal{X} \rightarrow \mathbb{A}^1$, by $\mathcal{X} = \text{Proj}(\mathcal{R})$, where \mathcal{R} is a
 graded $\mathbb{C}[q]$ -module, as follows:

Generators of \mathcal{R}^k \longleftrightarrow points $(v_1, \dots, v_{n+1}) \in \frac{1}{k} \mathbb{Z}^{n+1}$
 with $v_{n+1} \geq \varphi(v_1, \dots, v_n)$

Multiplication $\mathcal{R}^k \times \mathcal{R}^\ell \rightarrow \mathcal{R}^{k+\ell}$ \longleftrightarrow weighted interpolation
 $(v, w) \mapsto \frac{1}{k+\ell} (kv + \ell w)$

Action of q $\longleftrightarrow v \mapsto v + (0, \dots, 0, \frac{1}{k})$

The generic fibres are $W^{-1}(\mathbb{G}_m) \cong \mathbb{G}_m^{n+1}$, as one sees
 by looking at $\mathcal{R} \otimes_{\mathbb{C}[q]} \mathbb{C}[q, q^{-1}]$. The special fibre $W^{-1}(0)$
 is the union of toric varieties associated to the \mathcal{R}_ℓ .
 In our case, there are Zariski charts $\mathbb{A}^{n+1} \hookrightarrow \mathcal{X}$, one
 for each \mathcal{R}_k , in which $W(z) = z_1 \dots z_{n+1}$.

We define the category of Landau-Ginzburg branes (Orlov, earlier work of Eisenbud and others) to be

$$\mathcal{D}(W) = \mathcal{D}^b \text{Coh}(X_0) / \text{Perf}(X_0)$$

← quotient category

There is also an underlying dg category $\mathcal{D}(W)$, and

Conjecture There is a (cohomologically) full and faithful embedding $\mathcal{F}(N) \hookrightarrow \mathcal{D}(W)$

One can think of this as being glued together from the following local picture: if $U = \tau_1 \dots \tau_{n+1}$; $\mathbb{C}^{n+1} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$, then

Conjecture For the pair of -parts N , $\mathcal{F}(N) \hookrightarrow \mathcal{D}(U)$

Explicit description through matrix factorizations A
 matrix factorization of U is a two-periodic "complex"
 of free $\mathbb{C}[z_1, \dots, z_{n+1}]$ -modules

$$\cdots \rightarrow F_0 \xrightarrow{d_0} F_1 \xrightarrow{d_1} F_0 \xrightarrow{d_0} F_1 \rightarrow \cdots$$

with $d_1 d_0 = U \otimes \text{id}_{F_0}$, $d_0 d_1 = U \otimes \text{id}_{F_1}$. Matrix factorizations
 form a differential $\mathbb{Z}/2$ -category $\text{MF}(U)$, which turns out to
 be equivalent to $\mathcal{D}(U)$. In our particular case, there
 are $(2^{n+1} - 2)/2 = 2^n - 1$ obvious "scalar" matrix factorizations

$$\rightarrow \mathbb{C}[z_1, \dots, z_{n+1}] \xrightarrow{z_1 \cdots z_n} \mathbb{C}[z_1, \dots, z_{n+1}] \xrightarrow{U/z_1 \cdots z_n} \mathbb{C}[z_1, \dots, z_{n+1}] \rightarrow \cdots$$

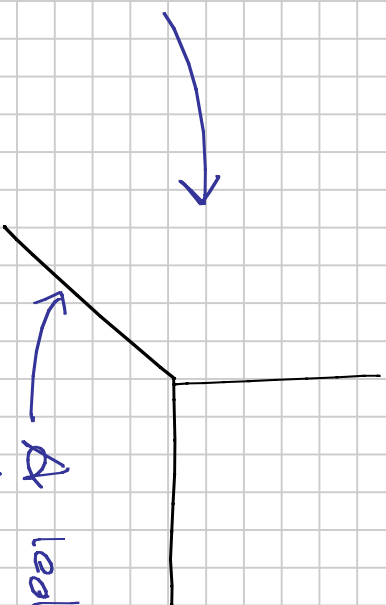
Take the direct sum of all of them, and let A be its
 endomorphism dg algebra in $\text{MF}(U)$. Then

$$\text{MF}(U) \hookrightarrow \text{mod}(A) \leftarrow \begin{array}{l} \text{dg derived category} \\ \text{of modules} \end{array}$$

In fact, \mathbb{A}^1 is linear over $\mathbb{C}[z_1, \dots, z_{n+1}]$, hence can be thought of as a sheaf of \mathbb{A}^1 's on affine space.

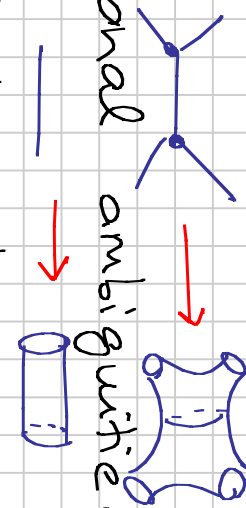
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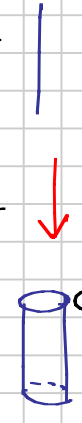
\mathbb{A}^1 acyclic
outside the
coordinate
lines



\mathbb{A}^1 looks like $\mathbb{C}[z] \otimes \mathbb{C}[z_2]$,
where $\mathbb{C}[z_2]$ is a (semisimple)
Clifford algebra.

Instead of considering symplectic manifolds M given as hypersurfaces, one wants to construct them abstractly from pairs-of-parts, and get a model for $\mathcal{F}(M)$.

Two-dimensional case:  special attention must be paid to rotational ambiguities in the gluing.

For the smooth part,  follows Kontsevich-Sorbelen's model, but the absence of a distinguished zero-section causes problems (in fact, the two issues are clearly related).

Def (Sheridan) signed topological graph is a trivalent graph G , possibly with some semi-infinite edges, equipped with a sheaf of abelian group $\mathbb{A}\mathbb{F}_G^{\mathbb{C}}$ and a map $\mathbb{A}\mathbb{F}_G^{\mathbb{C}} \rightarrow \mathcal{E}$ into the sheaf of continuous functions, locally as follows:

- over the smooth part, the model is $\mathbb{Z}_2 \oplus \mathbb{A}\mathbb{F}(\mathbb{R})$, where $\mathbb{A}\mathbb{F}(\mathbb{R})$ are integral affine functions. Note the presence of an extra automorphism

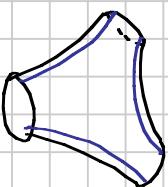
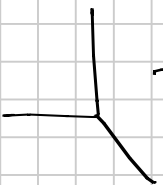
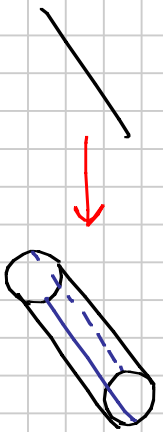
$$\mathbb{Z}_2 \oplus \text{Aff}(\mathbb{R}) \curvearrowright (\alpha, f) \mapsto (\alpha + d\mathbb{R} \text{ mod } 2, f)$$

- near a vertex, the model is $T = \mathbb{R}^+ \times 0 \cup 0 \times \mathbb{R}^+ \cup \{ (t, t) : t \leq 0 \} \subset \mathbb{R}^2$, with

$$f(\alpha, f) \mid \alpha \in (\mathbb{Z}/2)^2, f \text{ a function on } T \text{ such that } f = g \circ \tau \text{ for some } \mathbb{Z}\text{-affine function on } \mathbb{R}^2, \text{ and } \alpha = dg \text{ mod } 2$$

This has automorphism group S_3 .

One can associate to $(G, \text{Aff}_G^{\mathbb{R}})$ a symplectic surface M with a real structure (antiplectic involution) which is essential unique.



On the other hand, \mathbb{G} carries a natural sheaf of \mathbb{Z} -graded dg algebras $\mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{G}}^{\sigma}$, which over the smooth part is Kontsevich-Seibelman's \mathcal{O} tensored with a Clifford algebra, and which near the vertices is a non-archimedean analytic version of our previous \mathcal{A} .

Conjecture $\mathcal{F}(M) \hookrightarrow \mathcal{D}(\mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{G}}^{\sigma})$

suitable category
of dg module sheaves