Intrinsic mirror symmetry and theta functions via root stacks.

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In general, it is expected the following

Mirror symmetry for Fano varieties

The mirror of a Fano variety X is a Landau–Ginzburg model (X^{\vee}, W) consisting of a Kähler manifold X^{\vee} satisfying $h^1(X^{\vee}) = 0$ and a proper map $W : X^{\vee} \to \mathbb{C}$, where W is called the superpotential. Furthermore, the generic fiber of W should be mirror to the smooth anticanonical divisor of X.

Therefore, a proper LG model (X^{\vee}, W) is actually mirror to a smooth log Calabi–Yau pair (X, D).

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Smooth anticanonical divisor D

$$\xrightarrow{\text{Mirror}} W_1^{-1}(t_1) \cap W_2^{-1}(t_2)$$

$$W_1 + W_2 : X^{\vee} \to \mathbb{C}$$

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is a non-proper LG model.

The mirror of \mathbb{P}^1 is $W = x + 1/x : \mathbb{C}^{\times} \to \mathbb{C}$, where \mathbb{C}^{\times} is mirror to

 $\mathbb{P}^1 \setminus \{\infty, 0\} = \mathbb{C}^{\times}.$

Similarly for other toric Fano varieties.

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Question

Can the mirrors be constructed using Gromov-Witten invariants?

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Moduli Space of Stable Maps

 $\overline{M}_{g,n}(X,d)$: the moduli space of stable maps of degree d from genus g nodal curves with *n*-markings to a smooth projective variety X. It consists of

$$(C, \{p_i\}_{i=1}^n) \xrightarrow{f} X,$$

where

- C is a projective, connected, nodal curve of genus g;
- p_1, \ldots, p_n are distinct non-singular points of C;
- $f_*[C] = d \in H_2(X);$
- stable: automorphisms of the maps are finite

Definition

• For each marking p_i , there is an evaluation map:

$$\operatorname{ev}_{i}: \overline{M}_{g,n}(X,d) \to X$$
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Given cohomological classes $\gamma_i \in H^*(X)$, and $a_i \in \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0}$, one can define the Gromov–Witten invariant

$$\left(\prod_{i=1}^{n} \tau_{a_i}(\gamma_i)\right)_{g,n,d}^{X} \coloneqq \int_{[\overline{M}_{g,n}(X,d)]^{\operatorname{vir}}} \prod_{i=1}^{n} (\operatorname{ev}_i^* \gamma_i) \psi_i^{a_i}.$$

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Quantum Cohomology

The quantum cohomology ring $QH^*(X)$ is a deformation of the usual cohomology ring using Gromov–Witten invariants.

Quantum Product

Given $\alpha, \beta \in H^*(X)$, the quantum product is defined using three-point Gromov–Witten invariants.

$$\alpha \circ \beta = \sum_{d \in H_2^{\text{eff}}(X)} \sum_k Q^d \langle \alpha, \beta, \phi_k \rangle_{0,3,d}^X \phi^k$$

where $\{\phi_k\}$ and $\{\phi^k\}$ are dual basis of $H^*(X)$.

Remark

We can write

$$\alpha\circ\beta=\alpha\cup\beta+H.O.T.$$

where $H.O.T. = \sum_{d>0} \cdots$

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Big Quantum Product

Given $\tau \in H^*(X)$, one can define the big quantum product of $\alpha, \beta \in H^*(X)$

$$\alpha \circ_{\tau} \beta = \sum_{d \in H_2^{\text{eff}}(X)} \sum_{n \ge 0} \sum_k \frac{Q^d}{n!} \langle \alpha, \beta, \tau, \cdots, \tau, \phi_k \rangle_{0, n+3, d}^X \phi^k$$

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 The A-model data is a generating function of genus zero Gromov–Witten invariants called the *J*-function *J_X*(*τ*, *z*):

$$J_X(\tau,z) = z + \tau + \sum_{\substack{(\beta,l)\neq(0,0),(0,1)\\\beta\in\mathsf{NE}(\mathsf{X})}} \sum_{\alpha} \frac{q^{\beta}}{l!} \left(\frac{\phi_{\alpha}}{z-\psi}, \tau, \dots, \tau\right)_{0,1+l,\beta}^X \phi^{\alpha},$$

where $\tau = \tau_{0,2} + \tau' \in H^*(X)$; $\tau_{0,2} = \sum_{i=1}^r p_i \log q_i \in H^2(X)$; $\tau' \in H^*(X) \setminus H^2(X)$; NE(X) is the cone of effective curve classes in X; $\{\phi_{\alpha}\}$ is a basis of $H^*(X)$; $\{\phi^{\alpha}\}$ is the dual basis under the Poincaré pairing.

• The B-model data is period integrals called the *I*-function $I_X(y,z)$

Mirror theorem (Givental 1996, Lian-Liu-Yau 1997, ...)

$$J_X(\tau(y),z) = I_X(y,z)$$

where $\tau(y)$ is called the mirror map.

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For quintic threefold the *I*-function is

$$\begin{split} I_X(y) &= \sum_{d \ge 0} y^{H+d} \frac{\prod_{a=1}^{5d} (5H+a)}{\prod_{a=1}^d (H+a)^5} \\ &= \sum_{d \ge 0} \frac{(5d)!}{(d!)^5} y^d H^0 + O(H). \end{split}$$

Remark

Such a mirror theorem has been proved in many cases including toric stacks, Grassmannians, partial flag varieties etc.

Relative Gromov–Witten theory is the enumerative theory of counting curves with tangency condition along a divisor (a codimensional one subvariety).

- X: a smooth projective variety.
- D: a smooth divisor of X.
- For $d \in H_2(X, \mathbb{Q})$, we consider a partition $\vec{k} = (k_1, \dots, k_m)$ of $\int_d [D]$. That is,

$$\sum_{i=1}^m k_i = \int_d [D], \quad k_i > 0$$

• $\overline{M}_{g,\overline{k},n,d}(X,D)$: the moduli space of (m+n)-pointed, genus g, degree $d \in H_2(X,\mathbb{Q})$, relative stable maps to (X,D) such that the relative conditions are given by the partition \overline{k} .

Evaluation Maps

There are two types of evaluation maps.

$$\begin{aligned} & \operatorname{ev}_{i} : \overline{M}_{g,\vec{k},n,d}(X,D) \to D, \quad \text{for } 1 \leq i \leq m; \\ & \operatorname{ev}_{i} : \overline{M}_{g,\vec{k},n,d}(X,D) \to X, \quad \text{for } m+1 \leq i \leq m+n. \end{aligned}$$

The first m markings are relative markings with contact order k_i , the last n markings are interior markings.

Data

•
$$\delta_i \in H^*(D, \mathbb{Q})$$
, for $1 \le i \le m$.

•
$$\gamma_{m+i} \in H^*(X, \mathbb{Q})$$
, for $1 \le i \le n$.

Definition

Relative Gromov–Witten invariants of (X, D) are defined as

$$\left(\prod_{i=1}^{m} \tau_{a_i}(\delta_i) \left| \prod_{i=1}^{n} \tau_{a_i}(\gamma_{m+i}) \right\rangle_{g,\vec{k},n,d}^{(X,D)} := \qquad (1)$$

$$\int_{[\overline{M}_{g,\vec{k},n,d}(X,D)]^{vir}} \prod_{i=1}^{m} \operatorname{ev}_i^*(\delta_i) \overline{\psi}_i^{a_i} \prod_{i=1}^{n} \operatorname{ev}_{m+i}^*(\gamma_{m+i}) \overline{\psi}_i^{a_i}.$$

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Relative invariants with negative contact orders (Fan–Wu–Y, 2020)





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For those who are familiar with Gross–Siebert program, similar invariants also appear in their program where they are called punctured Gromov–Witten invariants.

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What is the mirror of a pair?

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There are two types of invariants associated with a simple normal crossing (snc) pair

- (Punctured) logarithmic Gromov–Witten invariants: Abramovich–Chen–Gross–Siebert.
- Orbifold Gromov-Witten invariants of root stacks: Tseng-Y.

Remark

log and orbifold invariants are not equal in general.

Root stacks

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Genus zero Gromov–Witten invariants of $X_{D,\vec{r}}$ is independent of \vec{r} when r_i are sufficiently large. So, we can consider the large \vec{r} -limit of the Gromov–Witten theories of $X_{D,\vec{r}}$ as a Gromov–Witten theory for the pair (X, D).

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For example, the degeneration of the quintic threefold: $Q_5 \simeq Q_4 \cup Bl_C \mathbb{P}^3_{2}$

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To prove the DHT conjecture, we need to relate theta functions of different degenerations.

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Theta function

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Theta functions satisfy the following multiplication rule

$$\vartheta_{p_1} \star \vartheta_{p_2} = \sum_{r \in B(\mathbb{Z}), \beta} N^{\beta}_{p_1, p_2, -r} \vartheta_r, \quad p_1, p_2 \in B(\mathbb{Z}).$$
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Structure constants

The structure constants $N_{p_1,p_2,-r}^{\beta}$ are defined as 3-pointed invariants of (X, D) with contact orders given by $p_1, p_2, -r$ and a point constraint for the punctured point. Namely,

$$N^{\beta}_{\rho_1,\rho_2,-r} = \langle [1]_{\rho_1}, [1]_{\rho_2}, [\text{pt}]_{-r} \rangle^{(X,D)}_{0,3,\beta}.$$
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Gross-Siebert, 2022

When D has zero dimensional strata, theta functions are defined using punctured logarithmic Gromov–Witten invariants of broken line types.

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Theta function

Let $QH^0_{log}(X, D)$ be the degree zero subalgebra of the relative quantum cohomology ring $QH^*_{log}(X, D)$ of a smooth log Calabi–Yau pair (X, D). The set

 $\{\vartheta_p\}, p \in \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0}$

of theta functions form a canonical basis of $QH^0_{log}(X, D)$.

The construction

The base of the Landau–Ginzburg mirror of (X, D) is Spec $QH^0_{log}(X, D) = \mathbb{A}^1$ and the superpotential is $W = \vartheta_1$, the unique primitive theta function of $QH^0_{log}(X, D)$.

We have the following identity for structure constants.

Proposition (Y, 2022 & Yu Wang, 2022)

The structure constants $N_{p_1,p_2,-r}^{\beta}$ can be written as two-point relative invariants (without negative contact):

$$N^{\beta}_{\rho_{1},\rho_{2},-r} = (p_{1}-r)\langle [\mathsf{pt}]_{\rho_{1}-r}, [1]_{\rho_{2}}\rangle^{(X,D)}_{0,2,\beta} + (p_{2}-r)\langle [\mathsf{pt}]_{\rho_{2}-r}, [1]_{\rho_{1}}\rangle^{(X,D)}_{0,2,\beta}$$

Proof of the proposition

$$N_{p_1,p_2,-r}^{\beta} = (p_1 - r) \langle [pt]_{p_1-r}, [1]_{p_2} \rangle_{0,2,\beta}^{(X,D)} + (p_2 - r) \langle [pt]_{p_2-r}, [1]_{p_1} \rangle_{0,2,\beta}^{(X,D)}$$

Proof by picture:



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We define the theta function in terms of two-point relative Gromov–Witten invariants.

Definition

For $p \ge 1$, the theta function is

$$\vartheta_p \coloneqq x^{-p} + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} n N_{n,p} t^{n+p} x^n,$$

where

$$N_{n,p} = \sum_{\beta} \langle [pt]_n, [1]_p \rangle_{0,2,\beta}^{(X,D)}.$$

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Proposition (Y, 2022)

The above definition of the theta functions satisfy the multiplication rule

$$\vartheta_{p_1} \star \vartheta_{p_2} = \sum_{r \ge 0,\beta} N^{\beta}_{p_1,p_2,-r} \vartheta_r.$$
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Proof.

By the WDVV equation for relative Gromov–Witten theory and the above identity for structure constants.

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Answer

No. The virtual dimension is not correct in general. And it is not of the broken line type.

To define orbifold theta functions, we need to define orbifold invariants that are similar to log invariants of the broken line types. In particular, we need

- One marking p_1 with insertion $[1]_{\vec{p}}$, $p_i \ge 0$.
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Idea in the orbifold setting

Replace the second marking, by two markings: one with sufficiently large positive contact order $\vec{\mathbf{b}}$ and the other with sufficiently large negative contact order $-\vec{\mathbf{b}} + \vec{k}$.

Smooth pairs revisit

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$$n\langle [1]_{\rho}, [\mathsf{pt}]_n, \rangle_{0,2,\beta}^{(X,D)} = \langle [1]_{\rho}, [1]_{\mathbf{b}}, [\mathsf{pt}]_{-\mathbf{b}+n} \rangle_{0,3,\beta}^{(X,D)}, \text{ for } \mathbf{b} \gg n.$$

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The theta function can be rewritten as

$$\vartheta_{p} \coloneqq \sum_{k \in \mathbb{Z}} \sum_{\beta: D_{i} \cdot \beta = k + p} N_{p, \mathbf{b}, -\mathbf{b}+k}^{\beta} t^{\beta} x^{k},$$

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$$\vartheta_{\vec{r}}(p) \coloneqq \sum_{\vec{k} \in \mathbb{Z}^m} \sum_{\beta: D \cdot \beta = k_i + r_i} N^{\beta}_{\vec{r}, \vec{\mathbf{b}}, -\vec{\mathbf{b}} + \vec{k}} t^{\beta} x^{\vec{k}},$$

where the invariants are three-point genus zero orbifold invariants of (X, D) with contact orders (or ages) \vec{r}, \vec{b} and, $-\vec{b} + \vec{k}$, where the last two markings are mid-age markings along D_i for $i \in I_{\sigma}$.

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Application: DHT conjecture via intrinsic mirror symmetry

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Comparing theta functions for different degenerations.

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The following results are proved for smooth pairs, and will be generalized to snc pairs in an upcoming work.

Conjecture & Title of the paper by [GRZ]:

"The proper Landau-Ginzburg potential is the open mirror map."

Theorem (GRZ)

For a toric del Pezzo surface X with a smooth anticanonical divisor D, the proper potential is

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a generating function of genus zero open Gromov–Witten invariants of K_X .

The proper LG potential is the relative mirror map

After extracting certain coefficients of the *J*-function and the *I*-function, take derivatives, and match coefficients, we have

Theorem (Y, 2022)

Let X be a smooth projective variety with a smooth nef anticanonical divisor D. Let $W := \vartheta_1$ be the mirror proper Landau–Ginzburg potential. Set $q^{\beta} = t^{D \cdot \beta} x^{D \cdot \beta}$. Then

$$W = x^{-1} \exp\left(g(y(q))\right),$$

where

$$g(y) = \sum_{\substack{\beta \in \mathsf{NE}(X) \\ D \cdot \beta \ge 2}} \langle [\mathsf{pt}] \psi^{D \cdot \beta - 2} \rangle_{0,1,\beta}^X y^{\beta} (D \cdot \beta - 1)!$$

and y = y(q) is the inverse of the relative mirror map

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Corollary

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Open Gromov–Witten invariants of $\mathcal{O}_X(-D)$ appear here maybe because there exists an identity between open Gromov–Witten invariants of $\mathcal{O}_X(-D)$ and the open Gromov–Witten invariants of $X \setminus D$, similar to the local-relative correspondence for closed Gromov–Witten invariants. However, we do not know if such an identity will be true in general. For Fano varieties, we observed that the function

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is closely related to the regularized quantum periods in the Fano search program.

Theorem (Y, 2022)

The function g(y) coincides with the anti-derivative of the regularized quantum period.
Remark

It is expected that regularized quantum periods of Fano varieties coincide with the classical periods of their mirror Laurent polynomials. Therefore, as long as one knows the mirror Laurent polynomials, one can compute the proper Landau–Ginzburg potentials.

For example, the proper Landau–Ginzburg potentials for all Fano threefolds can be explicitly computed.

More generally, there are large databases of quantum periods for Fano manifolds to compute the proper Landau–Ginzburg potentials.

Remark

The Laurent polynomials are considered as the mirror of Fano varieties with maximal boundaries (or as the potential for the weak, non-proper, Landau–Ginzburg models). Therefore, we have an explicit relation between the proper and non-proper Landau–Ginzburg potentials. Thank you!

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