

Geometric transitions

$$X_m \rightsquigarrow X_0 \longleftarrow X$$

X_m : family of (complex str. on) CY's

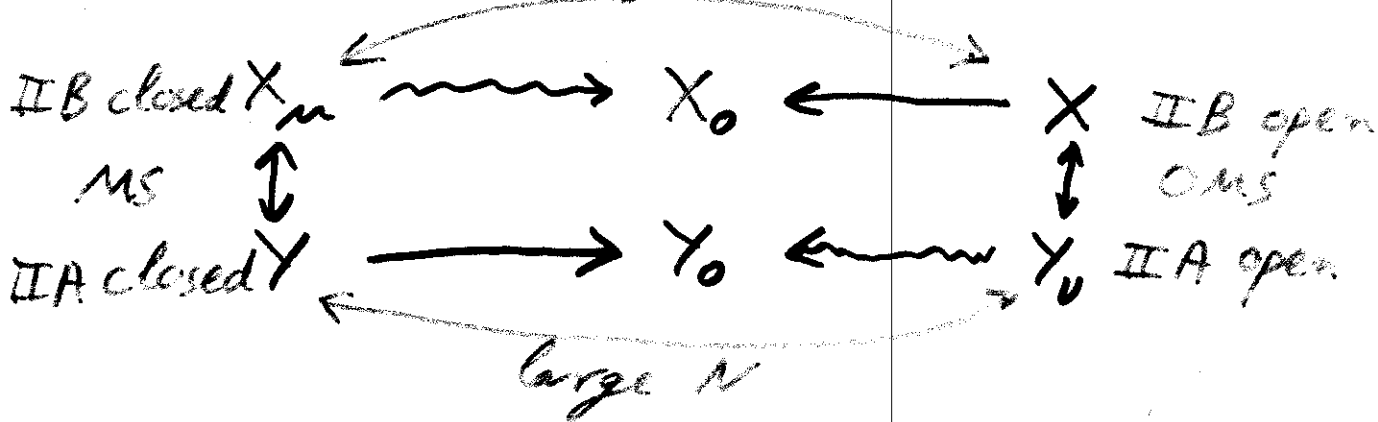
X_0 : a singular CY in the family

X : its small resolution, still CY,
contains some exceptional 2 cycles $P \approx S^2$.

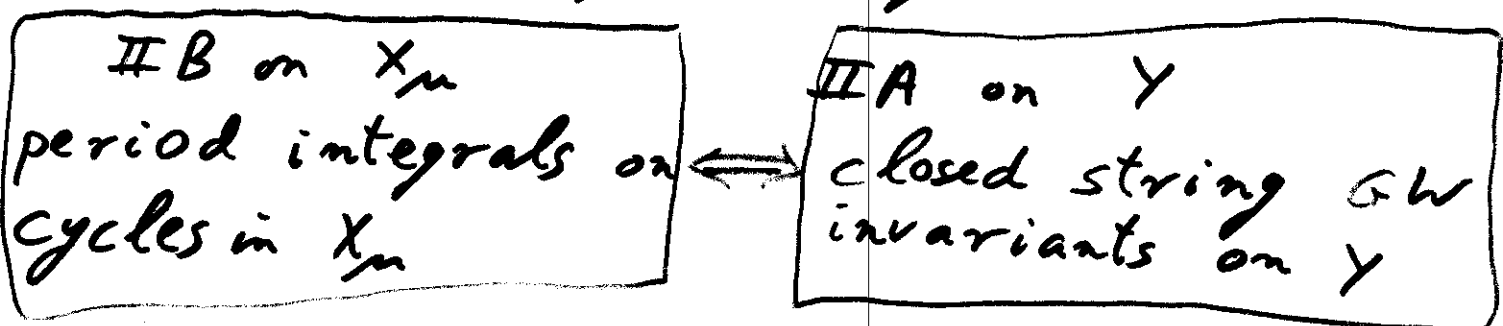
Large N duality:

closed strings on $X_m \iff$ Open strings on X

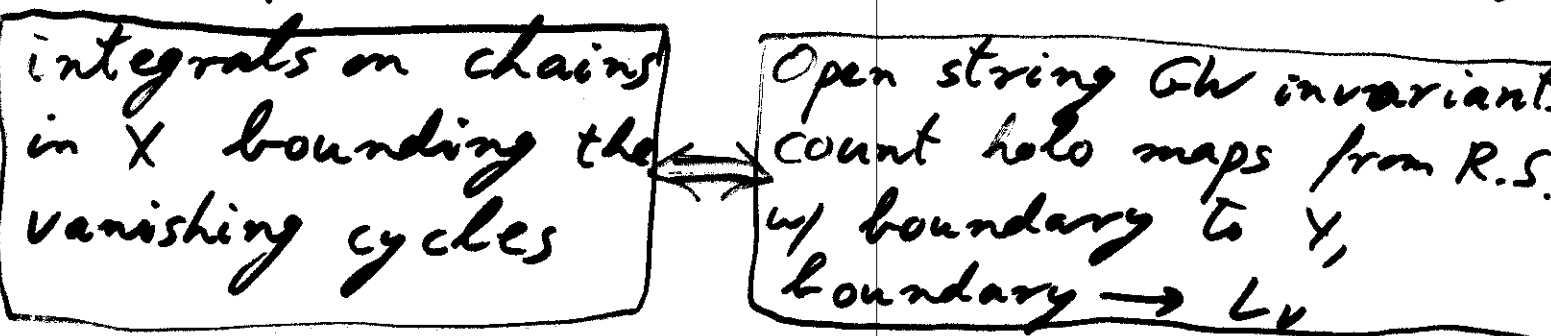
Dualities: large N



LHS: Mirror symmetry



RHS: Open Mirror Symmetry (MS w/ branes)



Mirror of the exceptional 2-cycles $P' \approx S^2 \subset X$ are SLAG vanishing 3-cycles $L_v \subset Y_v$.

Large N duality interchanges left & right.
 Sometimes, allows "calculation" of open
 GW invariants.

[D+V] relate Bmodel topological strings
 on local CYs, via large N duality,
 to matrix models.

Typical picture:

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 X_a = X & \longrightarrow & Z \\
 \downarrow & & \downarrow \\
 \mathbb{C}_x & \xrightarrow{w'} & \mathbb{C}_z
 \end{array}
 \quad
 \begin{array}{l}
 Z \subset \mathbb{C}^4: -y^2 + uv + z^2 = 0 \\
 X \subset \mathbb{C}^4: -y^2 + uv + w'(x)^2 = 0
 \end{array}$$

$$w = w_a(x) = \sum_{i=0}^{n+1} a_i x^i = \text{superpotential}$$

$X = \text{CY}_3$, singular at n points $\parallel \begin{cases} u=v=y=0, \\ w'(x)=0. \end{cases}$

$$\Omega_X = \frac{du dx dy}{n} = \dots \text{ holomorphic 3-form.}$$

When $a=0$, X is singular along a curve
 $C \approx \mathbb{C}_x : \{u=v=y=0\}$.

When $a \neq 0$, have transversally holomorphic family
 of (non-holomorphic) S^2 's

Integrate Ω_X on these S^2 's \Rightarrow holomorphic 1-form ω

$$W(x) := \int_{S^2} \omega : \text{classical superpotential on } \mathbb{C}_x.$$

[DV] picture:

Combine superpotential deformations, X_a
with smoothing deformations, X_m :

$$X_{a,m} : -y^2 + uv + w'(x)^2 + f_m(x) = 0$$

$$f_m(x) = \sum_{i=0}^{N-1} m_i x^i$$

From matrix models, they get a
quantized superpotential $W = W_{a,m}(\tilde{x})$

\tilde{x} : coordinate on the hyperelliptic curve

$$\tilde{C}_{a,m} : y^2 = w'(x)^2 + f_m(x)$$

Coefficients of W w.r.t. special coordinates =
open string GW invariants on mirror Y_u .

Our goal:

* understand [DV] geometrically
(no matrix model)

* extend to include compact CYs
(as well as the local ones)

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A simple compact example: (cf. [KMP])

$$X_{a,m} = Q \cap R$$

$$Q = \text{quadric} \subset \mathbb{P}^5$$

$$R = \text{quartic} \subset \mathbb{P}^5$$

$$a = \mu = 0 \Leftrightarrow \text{rank}(Q) = 3 \Leftrightarrow \text{Sing}(Q) = \mathbb{P}^2 \subset \mathbb{P}^5$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{Sing}(X_{a,m}) = \text{plane quartic} \Rightarrow X \text{ has 1-param family of } \mathbb{P}^1\text{'s}$$

$$g=3 \text{ C} \subset \mathbb{P}^2$$

$$\mu = 0 \Leftrightarrow \text{rank}(Q) \in 4 \Leftrightarrow \text{Sing}(Q) = \mathbb{P}^1 \subset \mathbb{P}^5$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{Sing}(X_{a,m}) = 4 \text{ points} \Leftrightarrow a \in H^0(C, K_C)$$

$$\text{rank}(Q) = 5, 6 \Rightarrow X \text{ (generically) n.s.}$$

rank(Q)	# param's Q	$h^{2,1}$
3	14	107
4	17	110
6	20	113

$$S \subset M \subset L$$

$$107$$

$$110$$

$$113$$

$$\# a\text{-parameters} = 110 - 107 = 17 - 14 = 3$$

$$\# \mu\text{-parameters} = 113 - 110 = 20 - 17 = 3$$

large N duality \Rightarrow expansion in μ
(actually, in special coordinates equiv. to,
0-th order:

$$\lim_{\mu \rightarrow 0} \int_{\Gamma_\mu} \Omega_{X_\mu} = \int_{\Gamma} \Omega_X$$

Γ : 3-chain in X , $\partial\Gamma = \Sigma$ (exceptional P 's)

Γ_0 : its image in X_0 , a 3-cycle.

Γ_μ : its deformation to 3-cycle in X_μ .

Natural interpretation of W :

it is a "normal function", i.e.

a section of a family of
intermediate jacobians $\mathcal{J}(X_\mu)$.

Want: behavior of $\mathcal{J}(X_\mu)$ near the
transition, $\mu \rightarrow 0$.

a la [DV], we'll study this for
 $\mathcal{J}(X_{a,\mu})$ near $a = \mu = 0$.

Torus: $T = \mathbb{R}^n / \Lambda$, $\Lambda \cong \mathbb{Z}^n$
 $\cong (S^1)^n$

Integrable system: $T_b \hookrightarrow X$
 $\downarrow \quad \downarrow \pi$
 $b \in B$

(X, ω) symplectic

π Lagrangian: $\omega|_{T_b} = 0$

$$\dim T = \dim B = \frac{1}{2} \dim X$$

\Rightarrow action-angle coordinates on X :

"angles" on T

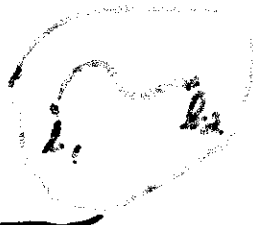
"action" on B : flat structure
 local trivialization

$T_B \xrightarrow{\cong} T^*(X/B)$, fiber at $b \in B$ is $H^1(T_b, \mathbb{R})$

a path in B from b_1 to $b_2 \Rightarrow$

$$H^1(T_{b_1}, \mathbb{R}) \rightarrow H^1(T_{b_2}, \mathbb{R}).$$

A function H ("Hamiltonian") on $B \Rightarrow$
 straight line flows on tori T_b .



Complex torus: $T = \mathbb{C}^n / \Lambda$, $\Lambda \cong \mathbb{Z}^{2n}$
 $\cong (S^1)^{2n}$ with complex structure
 most classical integrable systems are

Analytically } integrable systems
algebraically }

$T \rightarrow X$, everything is analytic
 \downarrow
 B (σ is holomorphic (2,0) form)
 algebraic

New features:

- * Trivialization of B is non-unique
- * Complex tori have moduli.

$\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_n$, symplectic basis of $H_1(T, \mathbb{Z})$
 β_1, \dots, β_n

$d\bar{z}_1, \dots, d\bar{z}_n$ holomorphic 1-forms,

$$\int \alpha_i d\bar{z}_j = \delta_{ij}$$

$\Rightarrow \mathbf{P} = (S_{\beta_i} d\bar{z}_j) = \underline{\text{period matrix}}$.

T is polarized if \mathbf{P} is symmetric
 " " algebraic " " " " and $\mathbf{P} > 0$.

Example 1:

X compact Riemann surface

$$\text{Hodge: } H^1(X, \mathbb{C}) = H^{1,0} \oplus H^{0,1}$$

\Rightarrow Jacobian $J(X) = H^1(X, \mathbb{C}) / (H^{1,0} + H^1(X, \mathbb{Z}))$
is an algebraic torus.

Example 2:

X compact Kähler 3-fold

$$\text{Hodge: } H^3(X, \mathbb{C}) = H^{3,0} \oplus H^{2,1} \oplus H^{1,2} \oplus H^{0,3}$$

Intermediate Jacobian:

$J(X) = H^3(X, \mathbb{C}) / (H^{3,0} + H^{2,1} + H^3(X, \mathbb{Z}))$
is a polarized, non-algebraic torus.

E.g. $X =$ Calabi-Yau 3-fold,

(i.e. $\Omega_X^3 \approx \mathbb{C}$, $H^1(X, \mathbb{C}) = 0$)

\Rightarrow signature of period is $(1, h^{2,1})$.

Q: When is a family of complex tori Lagrangian?

$$B \subset V^*, \quad V \approx \mathbb{C}^g.$$

open

$\pi: X \rightarrow B$ family of complex tori, with period map:

$$p: B \rightarrow (\text{Sym}^2 V)_{\text{n.d.}}$$

The cubic condition [D, Markman]

TFAE:

① \exists complex symplectic σ on X s.t.

$\pi: (X, \sigma) \rightarrow B$ is Lagrangian

σ induces identity: $T_{X/B} \rightarrow \pi^* T_B^*$

$$\begin{array}{ccc} T_{X/B} & \rightarrow & \pi^* T_B^* \\ \parallel & & \parallel \\ \pi^* V & & \pi^* V \end{array}$$

② $p: B \rightarrow \text{Sym}^2 V$ is (locally in B) the Hessian of a holomorphic function on B : "prepotential"

③ $dp_b \in \text{Hom}(T_B, \text{Sym}^2 V) \approx V \oplus \text{Sym}^2 V$
actually lives in: $\text{Sym}^3 V$.

Calabi-Yan integrable system:

$$X: CY3, \quad \Omega_X^3 = 0$$

$m \equiv$ moduli space = {complex structures on X } / isom

$$T_{[X]} m = H^1(T_X) \approx H^1(\Omega_X^2) = H^{2,1}$$

(Bogomolov, Tian, Todorov: unobstructed)

$\tilde{m} \rightarrow m$: natural \mathbb{C}^* -bundle

(choose: hol. volume form ω)

$f \rightarrow m$: universal int. Jacobian

$\tilde{f} \rightarrow \tilde{m}$: pull back.

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \tilde{f} & \rightarrow & f \\ \downarrow & & \downarrow \\ \tilde{m} & \rightarrow & m \end{array}$$

[DM, '94]: $\tilde{f} \rightarrow \tilde{m}$ is an analytically integrable system.

* fibers $\mathcal{Z}(X)$ are Lagrangian

* the image of any Abel-Jacobi map is isotropic.

The cubic = Yukawa's:

$$\otimes^3 H^1(T_X) \rightarrow H^3(\wedge^3 T_X) = H^3(\Omega_X^{-3}) \xrightarrow{\cdot \omega^2} H^3(\Omega_X^3) \xrightarrow{\int} \mathbb{C}$$

$X \rightarrow B$ family of CY3's

$\forall b \in B, C_b = C_b^* - C_b^-$: a 1-cycle in X_b ,
homologous to 0.

\Rightarrow Abel-Jacobi map

$$AJ: B \rightarrow J(X/B)$$

$$b \mapsto \int_{\Gamma_b} \in H^3(X_b, \mathbb{C}) / \dots = \mathcal{D}(X_b)$$

where Γ_b is a 3-chain in X_b , $\partial \Gamma_b = C_b$.

* Independent of choices.

Various extensions:

* \mathbb{C} not null-homologous: replace $J(X)$
by Deligne cohomology group.

* Special case $X = X \times B$:

$$AJ: \text{Hilb}^3(X) \rightarrow J(X)$$

* \exists "transversally holomorphic" version:

\mathbb{C} is a real surface (non holomorphic)
but it "varies holomorphically".

Other examples (from algebraic geom.)

S : complex symplectic surface

$C \subset S$: a holo. curve

\Rightarrow short exact sequence

$$(*) \quad 0 \rightarrow T_C \rightarrow T_S|_C \rightarrow N_{C/S} \rightarrow 0$$

S symplectic $\Rightarrow N_C = \omega_C =$ canonical bundle

The SES $(*)$ determines an extension class:

$$\text{Ext}^1(N_{C/S}, T_C) = H^1(N_{C/S}^{-1} \otimes T_C)$$

$$= H^1(T_C \otimes 2)$$

$$= H^0(\omega_C \otimes 3)^* \rightarrow \text{Sym}^3 H^0(C, \omega_C)^*$$

\Rightarrow A.I.S.

Base $= H^0(C, \omega_C) = H^0(C, N_{C/S}) \sim$ deformations of C in S

Fiber over C is $\partial(C)$.

E.g. $S = K3$ (or T^4): Mukai's I.S.

Related to: symplectic structure on moduli spaces of vector bundles or coherent sheaves on $K3$.

Another example:

$B =$ curve (= compact R.S.)

$S := T^*B$, holomorphically symplectic

$T^*B \supset C =$ "spectral curve"

\downarrow
 $B \leftarrow$ (n -sheeted branched cover)

\Rightarrow Hitchin's I.S.

Base $\mathbb{C} \setminus \{c\} = H^0(S, \mathcal{O}(C)) \cong \bigoplus_{i=1}^n H^0(B, K_B^{\otimes i})$

Fiber over $C \cong \mathcal{O}(C)$.

Total space = { Higgs bundles (V, φ) on B }

V : rank n vector bundle on B

$\varphi: V \rightarrow V \otimes \omega_B$: Higgs field

Variants:

* meromorphic Higgs bundles \rightsquigarrow Markman's Poisson I.S.

($\varphi: V \rightarrow V \otimes \omega_B(D)$ for fixed D)

* Replace the LB by a \mathbb{C}^* -bundle \Rightarrow Shtyagin's.

* Replace the LB by an elliptic fibration \Rightarrow moduli spaces of bundles on elliptic fibrations

* Replace vector bundles by principal G -bundles

Our setup:

$X_{0,0}$: CY3 with curve C of singularities
(say, of type G , e.g. simplest: A_1 .)

$X_{a,0}$: CY3's with finite number n of
singularities which can be resolved:
 $\tilde{X}_{a,0} \rightarrow X_{a,0}$.

$X_{a,m}$: smoothing of $X_{a,0}$.

$$\begin{array}{ccccc} & & \tilde{m} & & \\ & \swarrow & & \searrow & \\ S & C & m & C & L \\ 107 & & 110 & & 115 \end{array}$$

We want to understand CYIS (L) near
 $a = m = 0$.

Claim: to first order,

$$\text{CYIS}(L) \approx \text{CYIS}(S) \times \text{Hitchin}(C, G).$$

In fact: \exists family of IS's parametrized
by $t \in \mathbb{C}$, s.t. for $t \neq 0$ get CYIS (L),
for $t = 0$ get $\text{CYIS}(S) \times \text{Hitchin}(C, G)$.

2D analogue: [D, Ein, Lazarsfeld]

$S = K3$ surface

$C = \text{curve}$, $D \in |nC|$

Mukai's I.S. for line bundles on $D \subset S$
degenerates to:

Hitckin's I.S. for C , group $G = SL(n, \mathbb{C})$.

nilpotent cone in Mukai = sheaves supported
on original C

is an affine twist of:

nilpotent cone in Hitchin = $\{(V, \varphi) \mid \varphi \text{ is nilpo}\}$

Data for the affine twist \Leftrightarrow extension
class encoded in n -th order neighborhood
of C in S .

Idea: \exists degeneration of S to $N_{C/S} = T^*C$

induces the degeneration of Mukai
to Hitchin.

The deformation to normal cone for CY 3's:

$$\begin{array}{ccc} X & \rightarrow & X_{0,0} \\ \cup & & \cup \\ F & \rightarrow & C \quad \text{ruled surface} \end{array}$$

$$N_{F|X} = \text{Tot}(K_F)$$

$$H^0(C, K_C) \simeq H^1(F, K_F) \rightarrow H^{2,1}(X).$$

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \tilde{S} \subset \tilde{m} & & \\ \parallel & & \downarrow \\ S \subset m \subset L & & \end{array}$$

$$N_{S|\tilde{m}} = H^0(C, K_C) \otimes (\text{weights of } G)$$

$$\downarrow$$
$$N_{S|L} = \bigoplus_{i=2}^{\infty} H^0(C, K_C^{\otimes i}) = \text{Hitchin base}$$

The map is non-linear.

Hitchin base \Leftrightarrow spectral covers $\tilde{C} \xrightarrow{m} C$

Image of $N_{S|\tilde{m}} \Leftrightarrow$ completely reducible covers, $\tilde{C} = \bigcup_{i=1}^m C_i$.

After the deformation to normal
bundle, $CYIS(L)$ becomes $CYIS(S) \times$
 \times Hot chin.