

A look into the mirror (II)

The quintic

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- 2 A-model
- 3 B-model
- 4 Number of rational curves

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Recall:

For $D_1, D_2, D_3 \in H^2(X, \mathbb{Z})$, define:

$$\langle D_1, D_2, D_3 \rangle := D_1 \cdot D_2 \cdot D_3 + \sum_{0 \neq \beta \in H_2(X, \mathbb{Z})} \langle D_1, D_2, D_3 \rangle_{\beta}^{g=0} q^{\beta},$$

where

$$\langle D_1, D_2, D_3 \rangle_{\beta}^{g=0} = \int_{[\overline{M}_{0,3}(X, \beta)]^{vir}} ev_1^*(D_1) \cdot ev_2^*(D_2) \cdot ev_3^*(D_3)$$

is a three pointed **Gromov-Witten invariant** for X .

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The mirror family

Consider the short exact sequence of lattices:

$$0 \rightarrow \mathbb{Z} \xrightarrow{R} \mathbb{Z}^6 \xrightarrow{A} \mathbb{Z}^5 \rightarrow 0,$$

where

$$R = \begin{bmatrix} -5 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$$

The mirror family

Construct a family of hypersurfaces in $(\mathbb{C}^*)^5/\mathbb{C}^*$ from the matrix **A** using the following recipe:

- Associate a coordinate x_i of $(\mathbb{C}^*)^5$ to each row.
- Associate a family parameter u_i to each column.
- Think of the entries of the matrix as the exponents of the x_i 's.

(This will all be clear in a second with the explicit example)

The mirror family

In practice:

$$\begin{array}{r}
 x_1 \\
 x_2 \\
 x_3 \\
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 \end{array}
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$$x_1 \left(u_1 + u_2 x_2 + u_3 x_3 + u_4 x_4 + u_5 x_5 + \frac{u_6}{x_2 x_3 x_4 x_5} \right).$$

Homogeneity in $x_1 \Rightarrow$ this family can be viewed in $(\mathbb{C}^*)^4$.

The mirror family

Now we can compactify to a family of quintics in \mathbb{P}^4 by homogenizing:

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\Downarrow

$$P(X) = \left(u_1 X_1 X_2 X_3 X_4 X_5 + u_2 X_2^2 X_3 X_4 X_5 + u_3 X_2 X_3^2 X_4 X_5 + \right. \\ \left. + u_4 X_2 X_3 X_4^2 X_5 + u_5 X_2 X_3 X_4 X_5^2 + u_6 X_1^5 \right).$$

$P(X)$ "is" the **mirror family** to the general quintic $Q \subset \mathbb{P}^4$.

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LC point

The LC point for our family is at $u_1 = \infty$ (or, if you prefer, to the other coordinates = 0).

It corresponds to a singular quintic (the union of the five coordinate hyperplanes); we will discover that the periods have **logarithmic monodromy** going around this point.

Calabi-Yau form

We define a never vanishing $(3, 0)$ form on the fibers of $P(X)$ in local coordinates x_1, \dots, x_4 by:

$$\Omega(x) = \frac{dx_1}{x_1} \wedge \frac{dx_2}{x_2} \wedge \frac{dx_3}{x_3} \frac{1}{\partial P / \partial x_4}.$$

(This is indeed regular and never vanishing on the (smooth) fibers of a small neighborhood of the LC point).

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One solution

GKZ tell us that one formal solution for this system can be given as a power series involving Γ functions. In this particular case the answer is:

$$I_0(u) = \frac{1}{u_1} \sum_{n \geq 0} (-1)^n \frac{(5n)!}{(n!)^5} z^n,$$

where

$$z = \frac{u_2 u_3 u_4 u_5 u_6}{u_1^5}.$$

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Claim: the function

$$I^\varepsilon(u) = \frac{1}{u_1} \sum_{n \geq 0} (-1)^n \frac{(5n + \varepsilon)!}{((n + \varepsilon)!)^5} z^{n+\varepsilon},$$

where we define

$$(n + \varepsilon)! := (n + \varepsilon)(n - 1 + \varepsilon) \dots (1 + \varepsilon),$$

satisfies our GKZ system of differential equations over the ring $\overline{\mathcal{R}}$.

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Canonical coordinates

Finally, we can define the canonical coordinates

$$w := \frac{l_1}{l_0}$$

and

$$q := e^{2\pi iw}.$$

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and after some laborious substitution and series manipulation one can expand the above expression in terms of q to get:

$$\left\langle \frac{\partial}{\partial w}, \frac{\partial}{\partial w}, \frac{\partial}{\partial w} \right\rangle = \sum \frac{c_1 h_j(0)}{c_2 j!} q^j,$$

where

- c_1, c_2 are constants to be determined;
- $h_j(z)$ is defined inductively. (in the next slide)

Sketch:

$$h_0(z) := \frac{1}{(5^5 z - 1) I_0^2 \left(1 + z \frac{dw}{dz}\right)^3}$$

$$h_j(z) := \frac{1}{\left(1 + z \frac{dw}{dz}\right) e^w} \frac{dh_{j-1}}{dz}$$

At the end of the day...

Putting everything together, one can finally expand both Yukawa couplings in q and match coefficients.

$H \cdot H \cdot H = 5$ and $n_1 = 2875$ are needed as initial conditions to determine c_1 and c_2 . Then all other numbers are **predicted**:

$$n_2 = 609250$$

$$n_3 = 317206375$$

$$n_4 = 242467530000$$

et cetera