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Amoebas and Instantons

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1. Viro's Dequantization and Toropical Geometry

- Maslov's dequantization of deformation quantizations says :

Tropical algebra $(\mathbb{R}, \max, +)$ is a classical semiring of $(\mathbb{R}_{>0}, +, \cdot)$

$$\frac{1}{R} \log(\cdot) : \mathbb{R}_{>0} \longrightarrow \mathbb{R} \quad x \longmapsto \frac{1}{R} \log x = u$$

$R > 0$ deformation parameter

$$(\mathbb{R}_{>0}, +, \cdot) \xrightarrow{\frac{1}{R} \log} (\mathbb{R}, \oplus_R, \odot_R) \xrightarrow{R \rightarrow \infty} (\mathbb{R}, \max, +)$$

$$\begin{cases} u \oplus_R v = \frac{1}{R} \log(e^{Ru} + e^{Rv}) \\ u \odot_R v = u + v \end{cases} \quad \begin{cases} \oplus_\infty = \max \\ \odot_\infty = + \end{cases}$$

- Tropical geometry is a piecewise linear (PL) geometry

$$\text{Tropical polynomials " } \sum_i a_i u^i \text{ " } = \max_i (a_i + iu)$$

(Use \oplus_∞ for addition and \odot_∞ for multiplication)

It is a dequantization of real algebraic geometry

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \text{real curves} & \xrightarrow{\lim_{R \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{R} \log} & \text{tropical curves} \\ y = \sum_i e^{Ra_i x^i} & & v = \max_i (a_i + iu) \end{array}$$

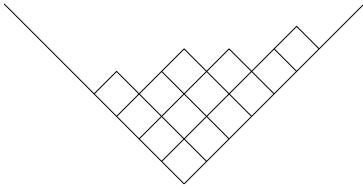
- We see many examples of tropical geometry in gauge theory and string theory.

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2. 5d $\mathcal{N} = 1$ SUSY Gauge Theories

- 4d Nekrasov's functions are described by using Young diagrams (partitions).



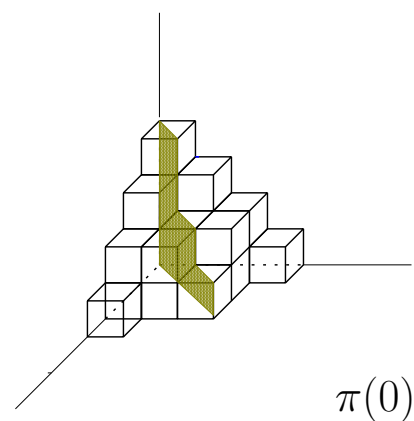
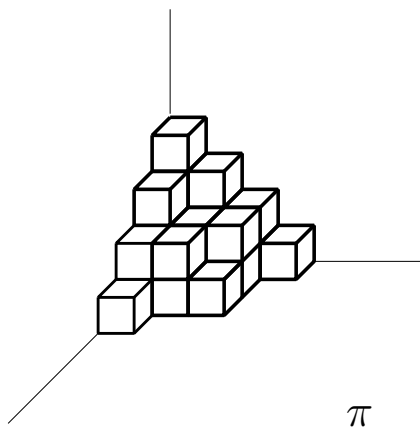
Young diagram μ

$|\mu|$ = the number of boxes

$$Z_{U(1)}(\Lambda, \hbar) = \sum_{\mu} \left(\frac{\Lambda}{\hbar} \right)^{2|\mu|} \frac{1}{\left(\prod_{(i,j) \in \mu} h(i,j) \right)^2}.$$

- 5d Nekrasov's functions are q -deformations and are described by using 3d Young diagrams (plane partitions).

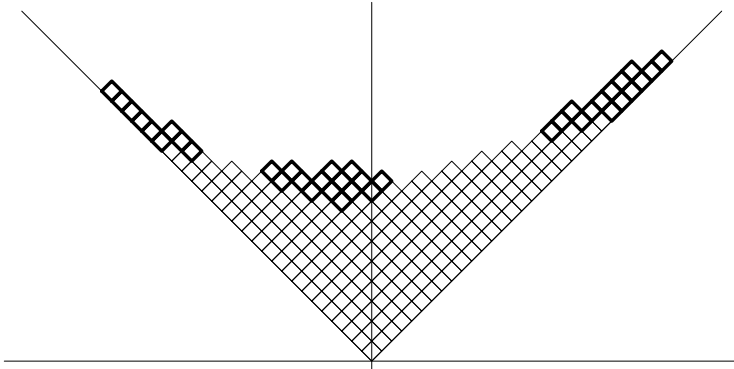
$$\begin{aligned} Z_{U(1)}(q, Q) &= \sum_{\text{partitions } \mu} Q^{|\mu|} s_{\mu}(q)^2 \\ &= \sum_{\text{plane partitions } \pi} q^{|\pi|} Q^{|\pi(0)|} \end{aligned} \quad \begin{cases} q = e^{-R\hbar}, & R : \text{radius of } S^1 \\ Q = (R\Lambda)^2 \end{cases}$$



- 5d Nekrasov's function of $SU(N)$ Yang-Mills is obtained from $Z_{U(1)}(q, Q)$.

Core and Quotients

$$\mu \xleftrightarrow{1:1} (\lambda^{(1)}, p_1), \dots, (\lambda^{(N)}, p_N) \xleftrightarrow{1:1} \begin{array}{l} N\text{-core } (p_1, \dots, p_N) \\ N\text{-quotients } (\lambda^{(1)}, \dots, \lambda^{(N)}) \end{array}$$



3 clusters of bold boxes correspond to 3-quotients $\lambda^{(1,2,3)}$.

3-core is of thin boxes.

Factorization by N-Cores

$$Z_{U(1)}(q, Q) = \sum_{\text{integers } p_1, \dots, p_N} Z_{SU(N)}(p_1, \dots, p_N; q, Q)$$

This factorization turns to be (hep-th/0412327)

$$Z_{SU(N)}(\{p_r\}; q, Q) = Z_{5d\text{SYM}}(\{a_r\}; \Lambda, R, \hbar)$$

by identifying

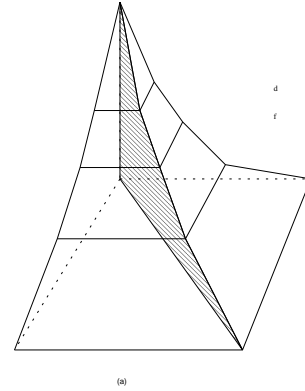
$$q = e^{-\frac{R}{N}\hbar}, \quad Q = (R\Lambda)^2, \quad p_r = a_r/\hbar.$$

The RHS is Nekrasov's function of 5d $\mathcal{N} = 1$ SUSY $SU(N)$ Yang-Mills + the Chern-Simons term.

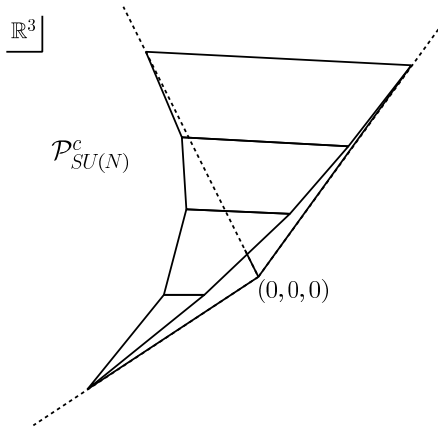
3. Ground State Crystal and Local $SU(N)$ Geometry

$$1/R = \text{Temp. in Statistical Model}$$

As $R \rightarrow \infty$ the ground state dominates.
 The ground state is the $3d$ Young diagram UNIQUELY determined by N -core (p_1, \dots, p_N) .



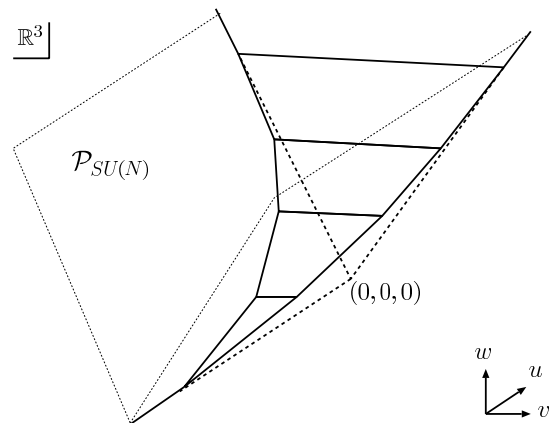
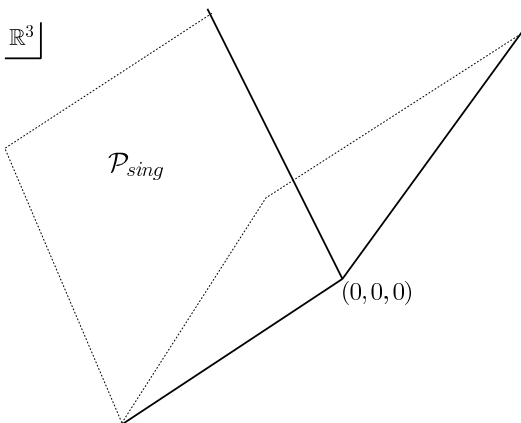
Ground state



\exists lattice homomorphism (degree N) that maps the ground state to a $3d$ solid $\mathcal{P}_{SU(N)}^c$.

$\mathcal{P}_{SU(N)}^c$ is the complement between two polyhedra $\mathcal{P}_{SU(N)}$ and \mathcal{P}_{sing} .

$$\mathcal{P}_{SU(N)}^c = \mathcal{P}_{sing} \setminus \mathcal{P}_{SU(N)}$$



- Two polyhedra describe local geometries responsible to field theories

\mathcal{P}_{sing} local geometry of $5d$ SCFT

$\mathcal{P}_{SU(N)}$ local geometry of $5d$ gauge theory

- The ground state energy becomes (hep-th/0505083)

$$E_{\text{ground state}} = \text{Vol}(\mathcal{P}_{SU(N)}^c) = \frac{1}{6} \sum_{r>s}^N (a_r - a_s)^3 + \frac{N}{6} \sum_{r=1}^N a_r^3$$

Comments

i) This is consistent with Vafa's "Quantum Calabi-Yau".

ii) The volume can be a regularized Kahler volume of local geometry. (Noma's talk.)

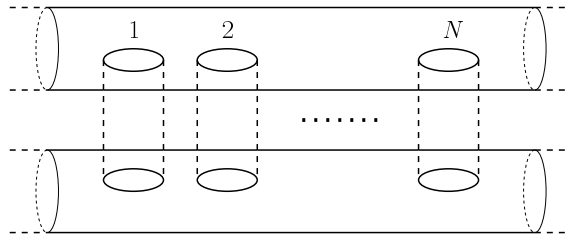
4. Amoeba Degeneration and Crystal

- Amoebas are mathematical ones (Gelfand-Kapranov-Zelevinsky)

5d version of $SU(N)$ SW curve

$$V_{f_{SU(N)}} = \left\{ f_{SU(N)}(x, y) = 0 \in (\mathbb{C}^*)^2 \right\},$$

$$f_{SU(N)}(x, y) = \prod_{r=1}^N (x - \beta_r) - (R\Lambda)^N (y + y^{-1})$$



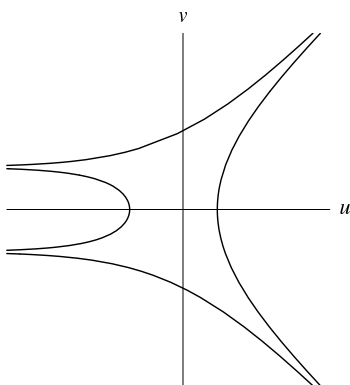
Amoeba of the SW curve

$$\mathcal{A}_{f_{SU(N)}} = \text{Log}(V_{f_{SU(N)}}),$$

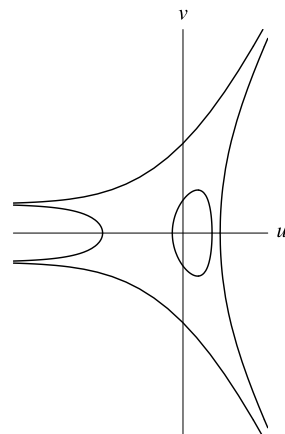
where $\text{Log} : (\mathbb{C}^*)^2 \longrightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$

$$(x, y) \longmapsto (\log |x|, \log |y|).$$

The amoeba spreads 4 tentacles and has $N-1$ holes.

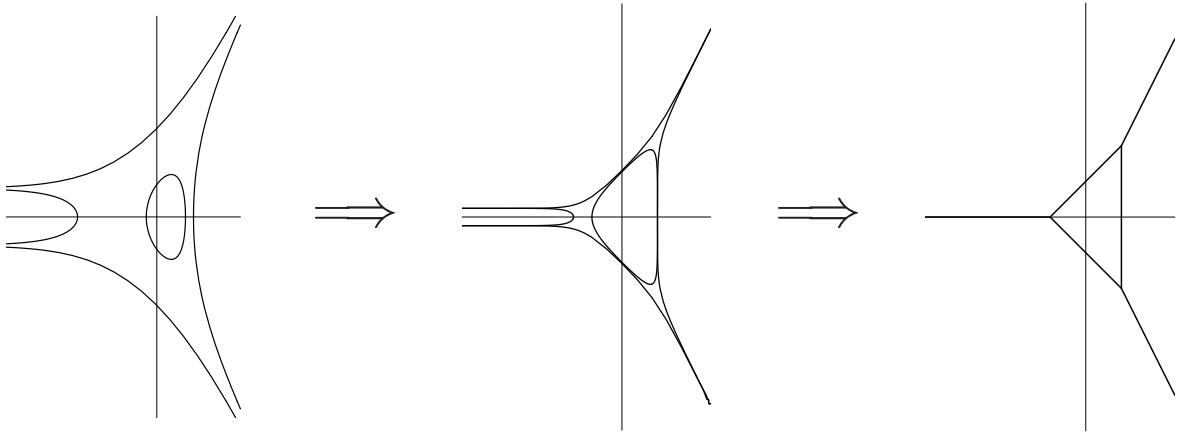


$N = 1$



$N = 2$

- As $R \rightarrow \infty$ the amoeba degenerates and realizes a tropical curve (essentially, by Viro's dequantization).

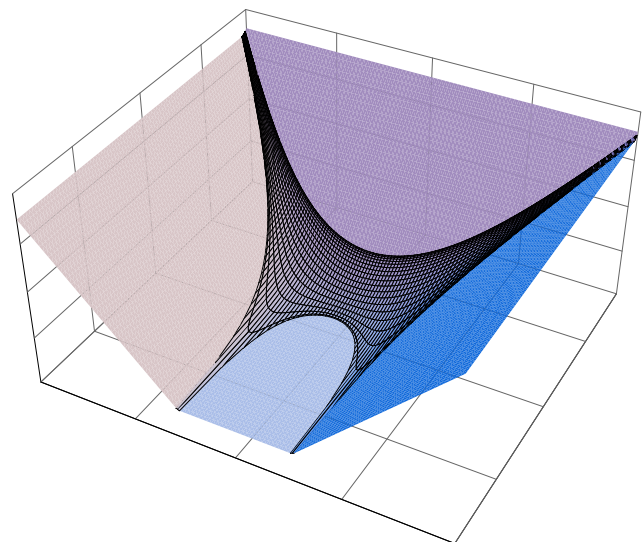


Use of Ronkin's function

$$N_{f_{SU(N)}}(,) : \mathbb{R}^2 \mapsto \mathbb{R} \cup \{\infty\}$$

$$N_{f_{SU(N)}}(u, v) = \frac{1}{R} \frac{1}{(2\pi i)^2} \int_{\substack{|x|=\exp Ru \\ |y|=\exp Rv}} \frac{dx dy}{x y} \log |f_{SU(N)}(x, y)|$$

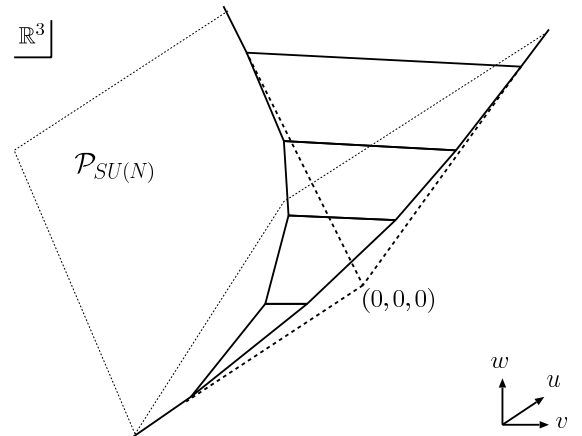
Ronkin's function is a convex function that is *i*) strictly convex over the amoeba and *ii*) linear over each connected component over the amoeba complement.



$$N = 1$$

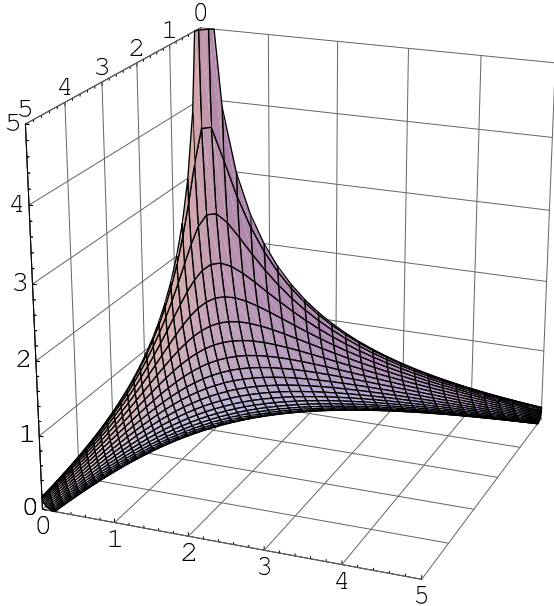
The limit of Ronkin's function is the facet of $3d$ polyhedron $\mathcal{P}_{SU(N)}$. (hep-th/0601233)

$$\left\{ (u, v, \lim_{R \rightarrow \infty} N_{f_{SU(N)}}(u, v)) \right\} \\ = \partial \mathcal{P}_{SU(N)}$$



5. Limit Shape and Ronkin's Function

- At finite R the ground state crystal (local geometry) is deformed by thermal excitation.



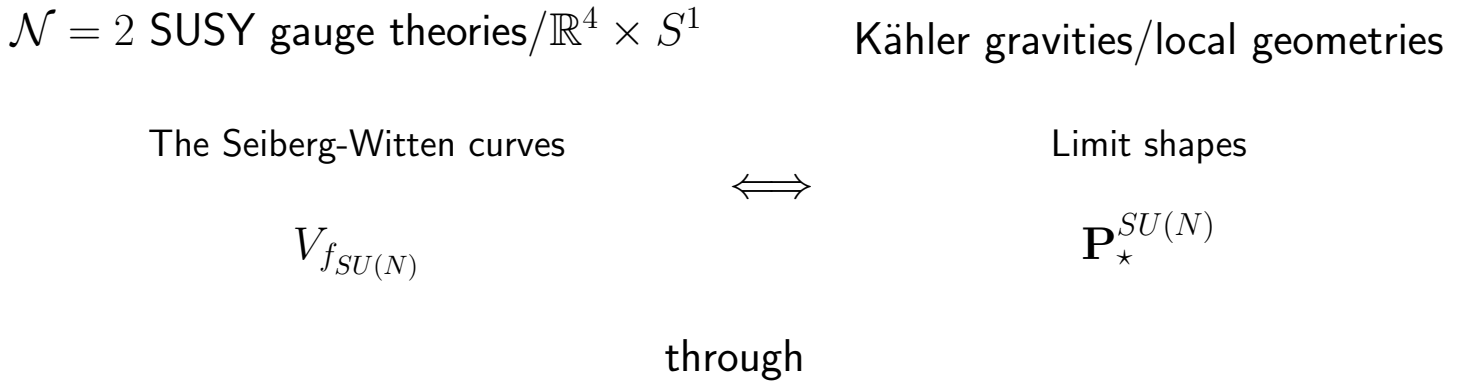
The limit shape realized in $Q = 1$ $U(1)$ model is interpreted by using Ronkin's function of $f(x, y) = 1 + x + y$. (Okounkov-Reshetikhin).

Limit shape $P_\star^{SU(N)}$ of the main diagonal Young diagram μ is the following section of the Ronkin function (hep-th/0601233)

$$N_{f_{SU(N)}}(u, 0) = \frac{N}{2} \left(P_\star^{SU(N)}(u) + u \right)$$

6. Summary

We have seen the correspondence



♠ The Ronkin functions

$$N_{f_{SU(N)}}(u, 0) = \frac{N}{2} \left(P_\star^{SU(N)}(u) + u \right)$$

♠ Tropical degeneration of the amoebas

$$\text{Vol} \left(\mathcal{P}_{SU(N)}^c \right) = E_{\text{ground state}}$$

This issue will be tied up with the following perspectives

- i) Integrable structure of the gauge theories
- ii) The mirror symmetry
- iii) Dimers, Algae, ...