

## 2-dimensional stable pairs on 4-folds

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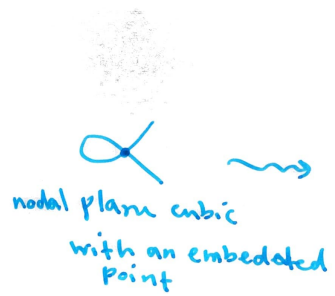
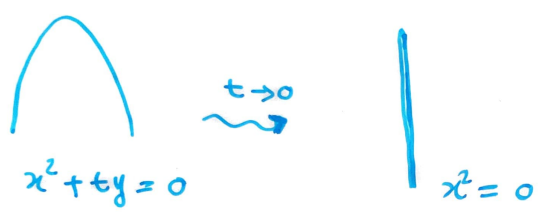
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- ▶ I will talk about another curve counting theory in the next Section. Because of such complications in the boundaries, these deformation invariants numbers (DT invariants, GW invariants,...) may differ from the actual counts of the curves (they are called the virtual counts of curves in class  $\beta$ ).



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- ▶ **Example:** Explain the limit of stable pairs in the figure above.

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where  $\text{vd} := \text{ext}^1(I, I)_0 - \text{ext}^2(I, I)_0 = -K_X \cdot \beta$  is called the *virtual dimension* of  $P_n(X, \beta)$ .



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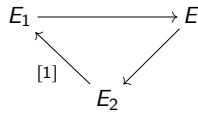
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- ▶ Define a polynomial stability function  $Z_\rho: K(\mathcal{A}) \rightarrow \mathbb{C}[x]$  (analog of Gieseker stability function for sheaves) with  $E \mapsto \sum_{i=0}^r \rho_i \omega^i \cdot \text{ch}_{4-i}(E)x^i$ , where  $\rho_i$ 's are some fixed vectors in the plane arranged as in the left hand picture.



It has this property that  $Z_\rho(E)$  for  $x \gg 0$  belongs to semi-open upper half plane for any  $0 \neq E \in \mathcal{A}$ , and also satisfies HN-property. Then such  $E$  is called  $Z_\rho$ -semistable if  $\text{Arg}(Z_\rho(E')) \leq \text{Arg}(Z_\rho(E))$  for  $x \gg 0$  and for any  $0 \neq E' \subsetneq E$ .

- ▶ **Theorem**: The  $Z_\rho$ -stable objects of  $\mathcal{A}$  having trivial determinant and Chern character  $\text{ch}' := (-1, 0, \gamma, \beta, \xi)$  are exactly 2d stable pairs in class  $\text{ch}$ .  
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The moduli space of these  $Z_I$ -stable objects is identified with the Hilbert scheme of 2-dimensional subschemes of  $X$  in class  $\text{ch}$ .
- ▶  $Z_I \mid Z_\rho$ -wall-crossing: Is interpreted as  $-\rho_4$  rotating clockwise from its location in the right hand picture arrangement past  $\rho_0$  and then past  $\rho_1$ .
- ▶ We have also proven higher rank versions of these results.

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- ▶ Oh-Thomas recent theory gives a virtual fundamental class  $[P(X, \text{ch})]^{\text{vir}} \in A_{\text{vd}_P/2}(P(X, \text{ch}), \mathbb{Z}[\frac{1}{2}])$ , where  $\text{vd}_P := 2 \text{ext}^1(J, J)_0 - \text{ext}^2(J, J)_0 = 2(\xi + \gamma \cdot \text{td}_2(X)) - \gamma^2$ .  
2d stable pair invariants are define by integrating against  $[P(X, \text{ch})]^{\text{vir}}$ .
- ▶ Special case: If  $P(X, \text{ch})$  is smooth, and  $\text{vd}_P$  is even, then  $\text{Ob}_P := h^1(\mathbb{E}^\vee)$  is an  $\text{SO}(2n, \mathbb{C})$ -bundle and in this case  $[P(X, \text{ch})]^{\text{vir}} = \sqrt{e}(\text{Ob}_P)$ , where  $\sqrt{e}(-)$  is Edidin-Graham *square root Euler class*.
- ▶ Oh-Thomas construct a localization of  $\sqrt{e}(-)$  to the zero set of an isotropic section of an  $\text{SO}(2n, \mathbb{C})$ -bundle  $E$  as well as the *square root Gysin operators*  $\sqrt{0_E^!}: A_*(C, \mathbb{Z}[\frac{1}{2}]) \rightarrow A_{*-n}(Z, \mathbb{Z}[\frac{1}{2}])$ , where  $C \subset E$  is an isotropic subcone with the zero section  $Z$ .
- ▶ Oh-Thomas theory also gives a virtual fundamental class of the Hilbert scheme of 2-dimensional subschemes of  $X$  in class  $\text{ch}$  with the same virtual dimension as  $\text{vd}_P$ , and hence one can define the invariants by integrating against it. In a work in progress Bae-Kool-Park have found 2d pair/ideal correspondences among these numerical invariants.

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- ▶ Case 2: If  $V = L_1 t \oplus L_2 t^{-1}$  is a split rank 2 vector bundle equipped with the  $\mathbb{C}^*$ -action then  $P(X, \text{ch})^{\mathbb{C}^*} \cong S_\beta^{[n]} \hookrightarrow S^{[n]} \times S_\beta$  and the pushforward of  $[P(X, \text{ch})^{\mathbb{C}^*}]^{\text{vir}}$  is  $c_n(\text{CO}_\beta^{[n]}) \cap [S^{[n]}] \times [S_\beta]^{\text{vir}}$ , where  $\text{CO}_\beta^{[n]}$  is a rank  $n$  tautological bundle over  $S^{[n]} \times S_\beta$ . As a result, using Oh-Thomas virtual localization formula the 2d stable pair invariants can be expressed in terms of known integrals over  $S^{[n]}$  and Seiberg-Witten invariants of  $S$ .

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 If  $\mathbb{J}_Y = [\mathcal{O}_{P \times Y} \rightarrow \mathbb{G}]$  is the universal stable pair on  $P(Y, \text{ch}_Y) \times Y$  then  
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$$B^{[n]} \xrightarrow{\cong} P(X, \text{ch}) \quad Z \mapsto [\mathcal{O}_X \rightarrow \mathcal{O}_{p^{-1}(Z)}].$$
Moreover,  $\text{vd}_p = 0$  and  $\text{Ob}_p \cong T_{B^{[n]}} \oplus \Omega_{B^{[n]}}$  and the corresponding stable pair invariant is  $\text{deg}[P(X, \text{ch})]^{\text{vir}} = e(B^{[n]})$ .