

# Calabi-Yau hypersurface and mirror symmetry

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## 1 Preliminaries

1. Stanley-Reisner schemes
2. Deformations of Stanley-Reisner schemes
3. Refer to mirror pdf for defs

## 2 The deformation

### 2.1 The Stanley-Reisner scheme $\mathcal{K}$

Let  $D_6$  be a hexagon, and define  $\mathcal{K} := D_6 * D_6$  and let  $\mathbb{P}(\mathcal{K})$  be the associated Stanley-Reisner scheme together with its embedding in  $\mathbb{P}^{11}$ . We will study the deformation theory of  $\mathcal{K}$  in some detail.

Denote the vertices of the “left”  $D_6$  by  $y_1, \dots, y_6$  and the vertices of right one by  $z_1, \dots, z_6$ .

**Lemma 2.1.** *The automorphism group of  $\mathcal{K}$  is  $G := D_6 \times D_6 \times \mathbb{Z}/2$  of order 288. There are interesting subgroups  $G' := \mathbb{Z}/6 \times \mathbb{Z}/6 \times \mathbb{Z}/2$  and  $G'' := \mathbb{Z}/6 \times \mathbb{Z}/6$ .*

**Proposition 2.2.** *The module  $T_0^1$  is 84-dimensional. The deformations come in three types.*

*We have 12 weights of type*

$$t_i := \frac{y_i}{y_{i+1}y_{i-1}},$$

*one for each vertex of  $\mathcal{K}$ .*

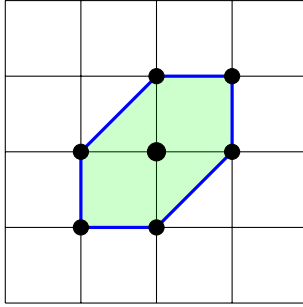


Figure 1: The hexagon, a.k.a the polytope associated to a degree 6 del Pezzo surface.

*There are 72 more weights:*

$$t_{i+1,i-1}^{ij} = \frac{y_i y_j}{y_{i+1} y_{i-1}} \quad t_{j+1,j-1}^{ij} = \frac{y_i y_j}{y_{j+1} y_{j-1}}.$$

*The module  $T_{-1}^1$  is 12-dimensional, they all have the form*

$$s_i := \frac{y_i}{y_{i+1} y_{i-1}}.$$

It follows that  $K' = \mathcal{K} * \{v\}$  has  $\dim_k T_0^1 = 96$ .

## 2.2 Smoothing

Let  $dP$  be the polytope associated to the del Pezzo surface of degree 6. See Figure 1.

**Proposition 2.3.** *There is a flat deformation of  $\mathbb{P}(\mathcal{K}')$  to the toric variety associated to the polar dual  $(dP \times dP)^\circ$ . The base space is 8-dimensional.*

**Remark.** *This is the same as  $h^{12}$  of the corresponding Calabi-Yau hypersurface. This suggests that we have captured at least an open subset of the moduli space.*

The parameters used are all of the form  $t_i$  in the notation of Proposition 2.2.

**Corollary 2.4.** *There is a flat deformation of  $D_6 * D_6$  to a singular Calabi-Yau threefold  $X_t$ . It has 48 isolated singularities.*

A computation in M2 shows that  $X_t$  have  $\dim_k T^1 = 96$ . In particular,  $X_t$  have no ordinary double points as singularities (these have  $\dim_k T^1 = 1$ ).

**Proposition 2.5.**  *$X_t$  have canonical but not terminal singularities.*

*Proof.* Every hypersurface in a Fano toric variety have at most Gorenstein canonical singularities, by Theorem 4.19 in [2] and the remarks in Section 1 in [1], which says that the singularities in the toric stratum  $X_\theta$  are terminal if and only if the only lattice points in the dual face  $\theta^\circ$  are its vertices. However, in our case, the dual polyhedron have faces with two interior points.  $\square$

## References

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