

Mirror Symmetry Report

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Abstract

In this report, I want to explain how to realize the D-brane in physics as a coherent sheaf and matrix factorization in Landau-Ginzburg model. And some applications of its mirror symmetry.

1 Derived category in physical point

Considering the open sigma model (Σ, M) and assigned Chan-Paton factors on the boundary, it naturally gives the coherent sheaf structure on each boundary:

$$V_1 \rightarrow \partial\Sigma_1 \xrightarrow{\phi^i|_{\partial\Sigma_1}} M$$

Since a string is connected with two D-branes, each D-brane can be equivalently described by the coherent sheaf structure. I will denote it as (E,F). In this report, I mainly use the following Landau-Ginzburg B Model:

$$\begin{aligned} S = \int d^2z & \left(g_{i\bar{j}} h^{\mu\nu} \partial_\mu \phi^i \partial_\nu \bar{\phi}^{\bar{j}} \sqrt{h} - i g_{i\bar{j}} \psi^{\bar{j}} D_{\bar{z}} \rho_z^i + i g_{i\bar{j}} \bar{\psi}^{\bar{j}} D_z \rho_{\bar{z}}^i \right. \\ & - \frac{1}{2} R_{i\bar{k}j\bar{l}} \rho_z^i \rho_{\bar{z}}^j \psi^{\bar{k}} \bar{\psi}^{\bar{l}} + \frac{1}{8} g^{j\bar{i}} \partial_{\bar{j}} \bar{W} \partial_i W + \frac{1}{4} (D_i \partial_{\bar{j}} W) \rho_z^i \rho_{\bar{z}}^j + \frac{1}{4} (D_{\bar{i}} \partial_j \bar{W}) \psi^{\bar{i}} \bar{\psi}^{\bar{j}} \Big) \\ & \psi^{\bar{i}} + \bar{\psi}^{\bar{i}} = -\eta^{\bar{i}}, \quad \psi^{\bar{i}} - \bar{\psi}^{\bar{i}} = g^{\bar{i}j} \theta_j \end{aligned}$$

By simply making the correspondence:

$$\eta^{\bar{i}} \longleftrightarrow d\bar{z}^{\bar{i}}, \quad \theta_i \longleftrightarrow \frac{\partial}{\partial z^i}$$

As a well-known discussion in the B-sigma model, the Neumann condition brane imposes: $\theta = (*\rho) = 0$ $Q = \bar{\partial}$ So the string spectrum, or as a morphism in $Brane(M)$ is:

$$H^p(X, E^* \otimes F) \cong \text{Ext}^p(E, F)$$

Further, we usually impose: $E \sim E \oplus X \oplus \bar{X}$ when $X \oplus \bar{X}$ is brane-antibrane pair. Even more, when $E \sim T \oplus \bar{X}$, $0 \rightarrow E \rightarrow T \rightarrow X \rightarrow 0$. (We call T a bound state)

This says that: $E \sim T \oplus \bar{X}$ when $H_{Q_E}^*(E) \cong H^*(T \oplus \bar{X}, Q_E \oplus 1)$. Here 1 is the isomorphism $X \oplus \bar{X} \xrightarrow{1} Id$. That means we should consider the quasi-isomorphism. That's the origin of the derived category in physics.

2 D-brane in Landau–Ginzburg Model

In this section, I want to show how Landau–Ginzburg Model connects to matrix factorization. Now we have super-potential: $W : M \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ holomorphic. And by Morse lemma, it locally looks like:

$$W = z_1^2 + \dots + z_n^2$$

For $n=2k$, it goes to:

$$W = z_1 z_2 + z_3 z_4 + \dots + z_{2k-1} z_{2k}.$$

For $n=2k+1$, it goes to:

$$W = z_1 z_2 + z_3 z_4 + \dots + z_{2k-1} z_{2k} + z_{2k+1}^2.$$

Now we only have to consider $W = xy$ and $W = xy + z^2$ two cases. And by localization, the correlation function only given by the zero set of W .

For $W = xy$, it only has 1 D_0 brane $x = 0, y = 0$ and two $x_i = 0$ D_2 brane. At D_0 brane, $\phi_1 = \phi_2 = \eta^1 = \eta^2 = 0$, which means the string spectrum are only composed by $\mathbb{C}[\theta^i]$ which isomorphic to $Cl(2, \mathbb{C})$.

For $W = xy + z^2$, the case is similar that D_0 brane gives $Cl(3, \mathbb{C})$ state and D_1 brane gives $Cl(1, \mathbb{C})$ state.

Since the quantum states are morphisms in $Brane(M)$ category, the \mathbb{Z}_2 structure imposes the complexes have \mathbb{Z}_2 -decomposition. As a constraint condition of open Landau-Ginzburg Model, the variation of the bulk action contributes a non-zero boundary term-the Warner term $\frac{i}{2} (\psi_-^i + \psi_+^i) \partial_i W$. Usually, we fix the problem by deforming the boundary action to:

$$\mathcal{L}_b = \frac{i}{2} \left(\bar{\gamma} D_\tau \gamma + \psi^i \partial_i F \gamma + \bar{\psi}^i \partial_i \bar{G} \gamma \right) - \frac{1}{4} (\bar{F} F + \bar{G} G) + \text{c.c.}$$

Here $F = F(\phi), G = G(\phi)$ are holomorphic sections of $Hom(E_1, E_2)$ and $Hom(E_2, E_1)$, respectively. They depend on the fields ϕ^i restricted to the boundary.

What we did was just glue two D-brane E_1, E_2 together through a pair tachyons F, G . Satisfied:

$$FG = i(W + \text{const}), \quad GF = i(W + \text{const})$$

As a result, F, G is obvious the differential in complex with \mathbb{Z}_2 -decomposition, the $Brane(M)$ category has the matrix factorization structure.

3 Correspondence in mirror symmetry

In this section, I want to discuss Homological mirror symmetry between non-linear sigma model and Landau–Ginzburg Model. Under the mirror map(T-duality on phase), $X = \mathbb{CP}^{N-1}$ goes to the Landau–Ginzburg model of $N - 1$ periodic variables Y_1, \dots, Y_{N-1} of periodicity $2\pi i$ with superpotential

$$W = e^{-Y_1} + \dots + e^{-Y_{N-1}} + e^{-t+Y_1+\dots+Y_{N-1}}.$$

Here $t = r - i\theta$ corresponds to the complexified Kähler class parameter of \mathbb{CP}^{N-1} . That means $\theta = -2\pi \int_{[\mathbb{CP}^1]} c_1$, c_1 is the Chern class of the $U(1)$ bundle equipped in X .

First, we consider the trivial bundle \mathcal{O} . By our discussion in part 1, it corresponds to the total D_{N-1} brane, which means it satisfies the Neumann condition on every coordinates.

Naturally, T-duality exchanges Neumann and Dirichlet conditions, so the A-brane corresponds to B-brane that satisfies $Im Y_i = 0$. And that gives the straight line emanating from $W(p_0) = N$ and extending in the positive real direction on W -image.

Then, we twist \mathcal{O} by setting $\theta = -2n\pi$. For example, when $n = 1$, that corresponds to $\mathcal{O}(1)$. And that gives a shift on the phase of $Y_i \rightarrow Y_i + 2i\alpha$. And this is just a rotation of the straight line by angle $-\frac{2\pi}{N}$ on the W -plane. By analogy, $\mathcal{O}(-l)$ given by rotate $\frac{2l\pi}{N}$. After that, we have to rotate the line to be parallel to the real axis to make sure that the Lagrangian submanifold preserves the half super-charge that the A-twist needs. At last, this gives the corresponding spectrum from X-B brane to LG-A brane.

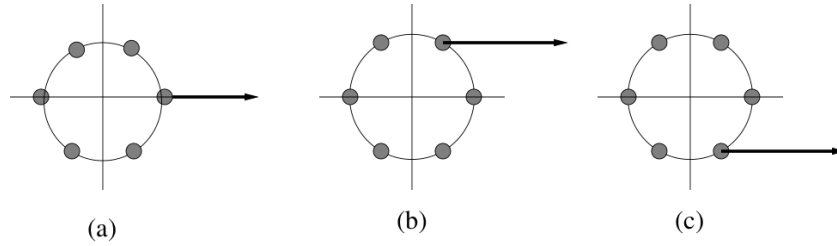


Figure 1: a) \mathcal{O} b) $\mathcal{O}(-1)$ c) $\mathcal{O}(1)$ cite from *Mirror Symmetry Hori, Vafa*.

For the inverse direction, there is no concise spectrum correspondence as before. However, when we focus on toric manifold X , defined by the charges Q_i^a with momentum map: $\sum_{i=1}^N Q_i^a s_i = t_a$. Considering the D-brane given by $|\phi_i|^2 = c_i$ equipped with connection

$$A_a = \sum_{i=1}^N [a_i d\varphi_i - \theta^a M_{ab} Q_i^b c_i d\varphi_i]$$

it corresponds to D_0 brane at $Y_i = c_i - ia_i$. We can calculate the Q-anomaly of A-brane in X by:

$$Q^2 \propto W(e^{-Y^{(2)}}) - W(e^{-Y^{(1)}})$$

Therefore, the A-brane anomaly vanishes if and only if it corresponds to a "bound state" that cancels the Warner term as we discussed in Section 2.