

A tale of two widths: lattice + Gromov. Ben Wormleighton (Washington Uni. in St Louis)

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Basic object

$$\mathcal{L} \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n$$

convex



i) \mathcal{L} polytope

ii) $\partial\mathcal{L}$ rati'l-sloped (ie facet normals are rat'l)

$$a) \mathcal{L} \subseteq \mathbb{R}_{\geq 0}^n$$



convex domain

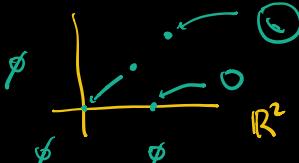
(up to $\text{Aff}(n, \mathbb{Z})$) this

means I have a smooth vertex

Geometry

$$(S')^n \cong \mathbb{C}^n \xrightarrow{\text{pr}} \mathbb{R}^n = \text{Lie}((S')^n), \quad (z_i) \mapsto (\pi|z_i|^2).$$

Ham. group action Symplectic 2n-mfd



Defn. Let $\mathcal{L} \subseteq \mathbb{R}_{\geq 0}^n$ be a convex domain. Then $X_{\mathcal{L}} := \text{pr}^{-1}(\mathcal{L})$ is a convex toric domain.

Convex toric domains are toric symplectic 2n-manifolds.

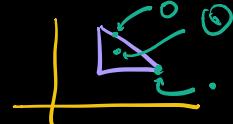
e.g. i) $\mathcal{L}: \begin{array}{c} a \\ \mathcal{L}: \end{array}$ $X_{\mathcal{L}} = B^n(a)$

ii) $\mathcal{L}: \begin{array}{c} b \\ \mathcal{L}: \end{array}$ $X_{\mathcal{L}} = E(a, b) = \left\{ (z_1, z_2) : \frac{\pi|z_1|^2}{a} + \frac{\pi|z_2|^2}{b} \leq 1 \right\}.$

iii) $\mathcal{L}: \begin{array}{c} b \\ \mathcal{L}: \end{array}$ $X_{\mathcal{L}} = P(a, b).$ (note: also get some weird ones)



In AG: to a moment polytope \mathcal{L} one can associate a polarized, possibly singular toric variety $(Y_{\mathcal{L}}, A_{\mathcal{L}})$ with moment map $\text{pr}: Y_{\mathcal{L}} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$



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ii) $\mathcal{L}: \begin{array}{c} b \\ \mathcal{L}: \end{array}$ $(Y_{\mathcal{L}}, A_{\mathcal{L}}) = (\mathbb{P}(1, 1, b), \mathcal{O}(d))$

iii) $\mathcal{L}: \begin{array}{c} b \\ \mathcal{L}: \end{array}$ $(Y_{\mathcal{L}}, A_{\mathcal{L}}) = (\mathbb{P}^1 \times \mathbb{P}^1, \mathcal{O}(a, b))$



Key observation: $X_{\mathcal{L}}^\circ = Y_{\mathcal{L}} \setminus A_{\mathcal{L}}$

e.g. $B^4(a)^\circ = \mathbb{P}^2 \setminus aH$

Symplectic well-studied algebraic object

Two widths

Lattice width: $\Sigma \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n$ define $\ell_w(\Sigma) := \min_{\ell \in \mathbb{Z}^n \setminus 0} \max_{p, q \in \Sigma} \langle \ell, p-q \rangle$

$$\text{e.g. } \begin{array}{c} \min_{(l_1, l_2)} \max_{(p_1, p_2)} \ell_1(p_1 - p_2) + \ell_2(p_2 - p_1) = \min_{(l_1, l_2)} al_1 + bl_2 = \min \{a, b\}. \end{array}$$

Gromov width: Let X be a symplectic 2n-mfd. Define $C_G(X) := \sup \{a > 0 : B^a(a) \hookrightarrow X\}$

e.g. assume $b \leq a$. $X_\Delta = B^a(b) \hookrightarrow X_\Sigma = P(a, b)$

smooth embedding
respects Symp. Str.

$$\Rightarrow C_G(P(a, b)) \geq b = \min \{a, b\} = \ell_w(\Sigma).$$

$$\Rightarrow C_G(\mathbb{P}^1 \times \mathbb{P}^1, \delta(a, b)) \geq b.$$

Conjecture (Averkov - Hofscheier - Nill '19). Let Σ be a moment polytope. Then $C_G(Y_\Sigma) \leq \ell_w(\Sigma)$.

Key step: $C_G(Y_\Sigma) \leq C_G(Y_\Delta)$ if $\Sigma \subseteq \Delta$. "Gromov monotonicity"
regarded

Thm. (Chaidos-W. '20) This conjecture is true in dimension 2 (at least when Σ has one smooth vertex).

Thm. (Chaidos-W. '20) $\Sigma \subseteq \Delta$ as above then $C_G(Y_\Sigma) \leq C_G(Y_\Delta)$.

Strategy. - prove Gromov monotonicity using embedding obstructions in symplectic geometry with nice avatars in AG.
- reduce to $\mathbb{P}^1 \times \mathbb{P}^1$ and apply Gromov nonseparating. ↗ won't talk about.

Gromov Monotonicity.

I'll introduce some invariants:

v.1. X symplectic 4-mfd $\rightsquigarrow C_k(X) = \min$ area of a set of "Reeb orbits"
"ECH capacities" w/ index = k .
(hutchings)

Thm. $X \hookrightarrow X'$, $C_k(X) \leq C_k(X')$ $\forall k \in \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0}$. "embedding obstructions"

v.2. $\|v\|_\Sigma = \det(v \mid p_v)$.
"Sigma-norm"

$C_k(\Sigma) = \min_{\substack{\text{convex lattice} \\ \text{paths}}} \{ \Sigma\text{-norm of path} : \text{path encloses } k+1 \text{ lattice points} \}$

V.3. (Y, A) polarised surface, define

$$C_k^{\text{alg}}(Y, A) := \min_{D \in \text{Nef}(Y)_Z} \{ D \cdot A : h^0(D) \geq k+1 \}.$$

$$\text{If } (Y, A) = (Y_n, A_n) \text{ then } C_k^{\text{alg}}(Y_n, A_n) = \min_{\text{Nef}(Y)_Z} \{ D \cdot A_n : h^0(D) \geq k+1 \}.$$

Thm. (CCFHR, W.) These three invariants agree when Σ is a rattle sloped polygon that is also a convex domain.

Main point: $C_n(X_n)$ encoding embeddings into X_n

$C_k^{\text{alg}}(Y_n, A_n)$ encoding AG information.

$$\text{Thm. (Chioder - W.) } B(a)^o \hookrightarrow Y_n \iff C_n(B(a)) \leq C_k^{\text{alg}}(Y_n, A_n).$$

$$\text{Follows from a result Dan GG: } B(a)^o \hookrightarrow X_n \iff C_n(B(a)) \leq C_n(X_n).$$

$$\text{Proof: } B(a)^o \hookrightarrow Y_n \xrightarrow[\text{birational}]{{\text{SW theory}}} C_n(B(a)) \leq C_k^{\text{alg}}(Y_n, A_n).$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Suppose } C_n(B(a)) \leq C_k^{\text{alg}}(Y_n, A_n) &\Rightarrow C_n(B(a)) \leq C_k(X_n) \\ &\stackrel{\text{GG}}{\Rightarrow} B(a)^o \hookrightarrow X_n^o \\ &\Rightarrow B(a)^o \hookrightarrow Y_n \quad \square \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{Cor. } \Sigma \in \Delta \Rightarrow C_G(X_n) \leq C_G(X_\Delta).$$

w/ one smooth vertex

$$\text{Proof: Just need that } C_k^{\text{alg}}(Y_n, A_n) \leq C_k^{\text{alg}}(Y_\Delta, A_\Delta). \text{ This follows from } C_k^{\text{alg}}(Y_n) = C_k(X_n) \\ C_k^{\text{alg}}(Y_\Delta) = C_k(X_\Delta). \quad \square$$

Why the ^{smooth} fixed pt / how to get rid of it?



$$C_k^{\text{alg}}(Y, A) = C_k^{\text{alg}}(\tilde{Y}, \pi^* A), \quad \pi: \tilde{Y} \rightarrow Y \text{ blowup.}$$

