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## 1 Cohomology of $\mathbb{CP}^n$

### 1.1 algebraic approach

We know:  $\mathbb{CP}^n$  is Kähler with Kähler form given by the Fubini-Study form (in a chart  $z_0 \neq 0$ )

$$\omega_{FS} = \partial\bar{\partial} \log \left( 1 + \sum_{i=1}^n \left| \frac{z_i}{z_0} \right|^2 \right)$$

Note that  $\omega_{FS}$  is  $SU(n+1)$  invariant.

**Remark 1.** Locally ( $z_0 \neq 0$ ) one can consider

$$\omega_{FS} = \partial\bar{\partial} \log \left( |z_0|^2 + \sum_{i=1}^n |z_i|^2 \right).$$

The argument of the log is just the  $SU(n+1)$ -invariant metric on  $\mathbb{C}^{n+1}$ . However, this metric is *not*  $\mathbb{C}^*$ -invariant and therefore does not descent to  $\mathbb{CP}^n = \mathbb{C}^{n+1} - \{0\}/\mathbb{C}^*$ .  $\triangleleft$

**Example 1** ( $n = 1$ ). For  $n = 1$  one finds

$$\omega_{FS} = \frac{dz \wedge d\bar{z}}{(1 + |z|^2)^2}.$$

$\blacktriangleleft$

Now,

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} \omega_{FS} \in H^2(\mathbb{CP}^n) \\ \omega_{FS}^2 \in H^4(\mathbb{CP}^n) \\ \vdots \\ \omega_{FS}^n \in H^{2n}(\mathbb{CP}^n) \end{array} \right\} \Rightarrow \int \omega_{FS}^n = 1$$

In fact, we know that the cohomology ring  $H^\bullet(\mathbb{CP}^n)$  has exactly *one* generator:  $\sigma = [\omega_{FS}]$ :

$$H^\bullet(\mathbb{CP}^n) = \text{span} (1, \sigma, \sigma^2, \dots, \sigma^n). \quad (1)$$

Moreover, there exists an integration map

$$\int : H^{2n}(\mathbb{CP}^n) \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$$

$$\sigma^k \mapsto \begin{cases} 0 & k \neq n \\ 1 & k = n \end{cases}$$

This integration map can be written as a *residue formula*:

$$\sigma^k \mapsto \frac{1}{2\pi i} \oint \frac{d\sigma}{\sigma^{n+1}} \sigma^k.$$

Any element of  $H^\bullet(\mathbb{CP}^n) = \text{span}\{1, \sigma, \dots, \sigma^n\}$  is a polynomial in  $\sigma$ , and thus the integration map for a general element of  $H^\bullet(\mathbb{CP}^n)$  is given by the residue formula

$$P(\sigma) \mapsto \frac{1}{2\pi i} \oint \frac{d\sigma}{\sigma^{n+1}} P(\sigma) \quad (2)$$

## 1.2 geometric approach

We can calculate the cohomology of  $\mathbb{CP}^n$  also in a more geometric way. Recall that  $\mathbb{CP}^n = \mathbb{C}^{n+1} - \{0\} / \mathbb{C}^*$ . Consider a hyperplane  $\tilde{H} \subset \mathbb{C}^{n+1}$  given by some linear equation

$$\tilde{H}_\alpha : \sum_{i=0}^n \alpha_i z_i = \alpha \cdot z = 0.$$

Since the defining equation is homogeneous in  $z_i$ ,  $\tilde{H}_\alpha$  is invariant under the  $\mathbb{C}^*$ -action  $z_i \mapsto \lambda z_i$  and thus descends to  $\mathbb{CP}^n$ :

$$H_\alpha = \tilde{H}_\alpha / \mathbb{C}^* \subseteq \mathbb{CP}^n.$$

**Example 2** ( $\mathbb{CP}^1$ ). Consider  $n = 1$ .

$$\tilde{H}_\alpha : \alpha_0 z_0 + \alpha_1 z_1 = 0 \implies \text{a line}$$

**Remark 2.** For example, let  $\alpha_0 \neq 0$ , then  $z_0 = \frac{\alpha_1}{\alpha_0} z_1$  which describes indeed a line.  $\triangleleft$

Thus  $H_\alpha = \tilde{H}_\alpha / \mathbb{C}^* = pt.$   $\blacktriangleleft$

**Example 3** ( $\mathbb{CP}^2$ ).

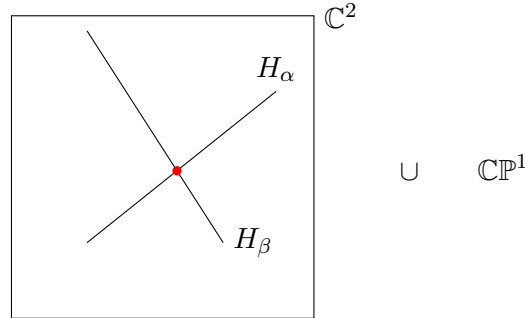
$$\tilde{H}_\alpha : \alpha_0 z_0 + \alpha_1 z_1 + \alpha_2 z_2 = 0 \implies \text{a plane}$$

Then

$$H_\alpha = \tilde{H}_\alpha / \mathbb{C}^* = (\text{projective}) \text{ line}$$

**Remark 3.** This can be understood best in an example: suppose  $\alpha_0 \neq 0, \alpha_1 = \alpha_2 = 0$ . Then  $\tilde{H} = \{(0, z_1, z_2)\} \rightarrow \{(z_1, z_2) \mid (z_1, z_2) \neq (0, 0)\} = \mathbb{C}^2 - \{0\}$ . If we thus mod out by the  $\mathbb{C}^*$  action, we obtain  $H = \tilde{H} / \mathbb{C}^* = \mathbb{CP}^1$ . More generally, we can always solve  $z_0$  as a function of  $z_1, z_2$  which then again gives an identification of  $\tilde{H}$  with  $\mathbb{C}^2 - \{0\}$ .  $\triangleleft$

**Question:** How many intersection points do any two hyperplanes  $H_\alpha$  and  $H_\beta$  have in  $\mathbb{CP}^2$ ? The answer to this question is: any two (distinct not parallel) hyperplanes intersect in a *unique* point. Note that  $\mathbb{CP}^2 = \mathbb{C}^2 \cup \mathbb{CP}^1$  (think of  $\mathbb{C}^2$  with the point at infinity blown up). That two hyperplanes in general position intersect at all, is best understood in terms of a picture:



The two hyperplanes (in general position) intersect in  $\mathbb{C}^2$  in a unique point. The question is thus, if they intersect at “ $\infty$ ”. However, since in  $\mathbb{CP}^2$  infinity is blown up to a  $\mathbb{CP}^1$ ,  $\infty$  is not just a point, but *a point with a direction*. Since the two hyperplanes  $H_\alpha$  and  $H_\beta$  approach  $\infty$  with two different directions, they *do not* intersect at infinity. ◀

**How do we pass from intersection theory to cohomology?** Suppose that  $\Phi$  is any figure. Consider the singular (smeared) differential form  $\delta^\varepsilon(\Phi)$  defined as a smeared delta-function with support in  $\Phi$ .

**Example 4** (a point in  $\mathbb{R}$ ). Let  $\Phi = 0 \in \mathbb{R}$ .

$$\delta^\varepsilon(\Phi) = e^{-|x|^2/\varepsilon} \frac{dx}{\sqrt{\varepsilon}} \xrightarrow{\varepsilon \rightarrow 0} \delta(x) dx$$

Thus the Gaussian exponential localizes to the support to the “hyperplane”  $x = 0$ . ◀

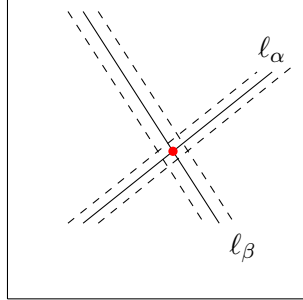
**Example 5** (a line in  $\mathbb{C}$ ). Consider a line  $\ell_\alpha : f_\alpha(x) = \alpha_1 x_1 + \alpha_2 x_2 = 0$  in  $\mathbb{C}$ . Then

$$\delta^\varepsilon(\ell) = e^{-|f_\alpha(x)|^2/\varepsilon} \frac{df_\alpha}{\sqrt{\varepsilon}}.$$

Given two lines, what is their intersection? Consider the integral

$$\int_{\mathbb{C}=\mathbb{R}^2} \delta^\varepsilon(\ell_\alpha) \wedge \delta^{\varepsilon'}(\ell_\beta) \quad (3)$$

For finite  $\varepsilon, \varepsilon'$ , the support of the integrand localizes in a small area around the intersection point:



the support of  $\delta^\varepsilon(\ell_\alpha) \wedge \delta^{\varepsilon'}(\ell_\beta)$  is proportional to the area  $\sim \sqrt{\varepsilon\varepsilon'}$  which, in the integral (3) is canceled by the denominator of  $df_\alpha \wedge df_\beta / \sqrt{\varepsilon\varepsilon'}$ . Now, if one considers the change of coordinates  $f_\alpha(x) = y$  and  $f_\beta = y'$ , then the integral becomes

$$\int_{\mathbb{R}^2} \delta^\varepsilon(\ell_\alpha) \wedge \delta^{\varepsilon'}(\ell_\beta) = \int_{\mathbb{R}^2} e^{-|y|^2/\varepsilon} e^{-|y'|^2/\varepsilon'} \frac{dy dy'}{\sqrt{\varepsilon\varepsilon'}} \sim 1 \quad (\text{mod } \pi' s)$$

Therefore, in the limit  $\varepsilon, \varepsilon' \rightarrow 0$  one has

$$\int_{\mathbb{R}^2} \delta^\varepsilon(\ell_\alpha) \wedge \delta^{\varepsilon'}(\ell_\beta) = \#(\ell_\alpha \cap \ell_\beta)$$

**Remark 4.** The  $\delta^\varepsilon(\ell)$  is nothing but the smeared Poincaré dual of the (homology) class  $[\ell]$  of the line, that is

$$\int_\ell \alpha = \int_{\mathbb{R}^2} \delta^\varepsilon(\ell) \wedge \alpha.$$

Then it is clear that

$$\#(\ell_\alpha \cap \ell_\beta) = \int_{\ell_\alpha \cap \ell_\beta} 1 = \int_{\ell_\alpha} \delta^{\varepsilon'}(\ell_\beta) = \int_{\mathbb{R}^2} \delta^\varepsilon(\ell_\alpha) \wedge \delta^{\varepsilon'}(\ell_\beta).$$

◁

**Remark 5** (complex vs real). Note that the support of the delta-forms is given near the vicinity of

$$f_\alpha(x) = f_\beta(x) = 0.$$

If we consider  $x$  as a real variable, then the above set of equations might not have a solution. However, there exists always a solution if we consider  $x$  to be complex-valued. ◁

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Now, the crucial observation for the calculation of  $H^\bullet(\mathbb{CP}^n)$  is that

$$[\delta^\varepsilon(H)] = [\omega_{FS}]. \quad (4)$$

This can be seen as follows: note that outside of the hyperplane  $H : z_0 = 0$ ,  $\omega_{FS} = \partial\bar{\partial} \log(1 + |z_1/z_0|^2 + \dots)$  is exact. Therefore,

$$\omega_{FS} = d\xi + \eta$$

where  $\xi$  is supported on the hyperplane  $H : z_0 = 0$ . Supposing that  $\log$  is replaced by  $\log^\varepsilon$ , some smeared version of the logarithm, which is modified near  $z_0 = 0$ , one shows  $[\omega_{FS}] = [\delta^\varepsilon(H)]$  by the following idea:

$$\delta^{\varepsilon_1}(H_1) \wedge \delta^{\varepsilon_2}(H_2) \sim \delta(H_1 \cap H_2).$$

Thus

$$\delta^{\varepsilon_1}(H_1) \wedge \dots \wedge \delta^{\varepsilon_n}(H_n) \sim \delta(H_1 \cap \dots \cap H_n).$$

Now,  $n$ -hyperplanes in general position have a unique fixed point. It follows that

$$\int_{\mathbb{CP}^n} \delta^{\varepsilon_1}(H_1) \wedge \dots \wedge \delta^{\varepsilon_n}(H_n) \sim \int_{\mathbb{CP}^n} \delta(H_1 \cap \dots \cap H_n) = 1 = \int_{\mathbb{CP}^n} \omega_{FS}^n.$$

However, notice that one can continuously deform the hyperplanes (as long as they stay in general position), which shows that the class  $[\delta(H)]$  does not depend on  $H$ . **true? the above does not show that  $[\omega_{FS}] = [\delta(H)]$**

## 2 equivaraiant cohomology of $\mathbb{CP}^n$

### 2.1 recollection of equivariant cohomology

Consider a manifold  $X$  with an  $U(1)$ -action  $U(1) \curvearrowright X$  generated by the vector field  $v$ . Consider the linear operator

$$d_\varepsilon = d + \varepsilon \iota_v, \quad d_\varepsilon^2 = \varepsilon \mathcal{L}_v, \quad \deg(\varepsilon) = 2$$

One thus has a complex

$$(\Omega_{inv}(X), d_\varepsilon),$$

where  $\Omega_{inv}(X) \subseteq \Omega(X)$  is given by invariant forms, that is  $\mathcal{L}_v \omega = 0$  for all  $\omega \in \Omega_{inv}$ . We want to compare this complex with the usual de Rham complex  $(\Omega, d)$ .

- (i) any  $[\omega] \in H^\bullet(\Omega^\bullet, d)$  has a representative  $\omega_{inv} \in \Omega_{inv}^\bullet$ .

*Proof.* Set

$$\omega_{inv} = \int_{S^1} d\theta e^{i\theta \mathcal{L}_v} \omega = \int_{S^1} d\theta e^{i\theta \{d, \iota_v\}} \omega = \int_{S^1} d\theta e^{i\theta d \iota_v} \omega.$$

Then

$$d\omega_{inv} \propto \int_{S^1} d\theta d(\omega + i\theta d \iota_v \omega + \dots) = 0.$$

□

- (ii)  $(\Omega^\bullet, d)$  is a dga. In fact, so is  $(\Omega_{inv}^\bullet, d_\varepsilon)$

- (iii) There exists an integration map  $\int_X: \Omega^\bullet \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$  which satisfies in the case of compact  $X$

$$\int_X d\omega = 0.$$

This endows the ring  $\Omega^\bullet$  with a Frobenius structure, where a *Frobenius structure* on a ring  $R$  is a pairing  $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle$ , satisfying  $\langle ab, c \rangle = \langle a, bc \rangle$ . The Frobenius structure for  $\Omega^\bullet$  is given simply by

$$\langle \omega_1, \omega_2 \rangle = \int_X \omega_1 \wedge \omega_2.$$

Clearly one has  $\langle \omega_1 \wedge \omega_2, \omega_3 \rangle = \langle \omega_1, \omega_2 \wedge \omega_3 \rangle$ . Moreover,  $(\Omega^\bullet, d)$  is a *differential Frobenius algebra*, that is one has  $\langle d\omega_1, \omega_2 \rangle = \pm \langle \omega_1, d\omega_2 \rangle$ . Does  $(\Omega_{inv}^\bullet, d_\varepsilon)$  has a similar “differential Frobenius structure”?

Consider the map

$$av: \Omega^\bullet \rightarrow \Omega_{inv}^\bullet$$

which is defined as

$$av(\omega) = \int_{S^1} d\theta e^{i\theta \mathcal{L}_v} \omega.$$

Note that  $av$  is a map of complexes, i.e. it commutes with the differential:  $[av, d] = 0$ .

**Claim:** The kernel  $\ker(av)$  is big, but one does not lose any cohomology. Put differently, the claim is that the complement of  $\Omega_{inv}^\bullet$  inside  $\Omega^\bullet$  is contractible, that is there exists a chain homotopy  $h$  such that

$$[d, h] = 1 - \pi_{inv}$$

where  $\pi_{inv}$  denotes the projection to  $\Omega_{inv}$ . We therefore have the following picture

$$\begin{array}{ccc} & \xrightarrow{\pi_{inv}} & \\ h \circlearrowleft & \Omega^\bullet & \Omega_{inv}^\bullet \\ & \xleftarrow{\iota} & \end{array}$$

How do we build the homotopy  $h$ ? Suppose one can diagonalize the  $U(1)$ -action. Then  $\Omega^\bullet = \oplus_\lambda \Omega_\lambda$  decomposes into weights (charges):  $\mathcal{L}_v \omega_\lambda = i\lambda \omega_\lambda$ . The invariant space  $\Omega_{inv}$  is therefore given by the zero modes  $\Omega_0$ . On  $\Omega_{\lambda \neq 0}$ , thus the complement of  $\Omega_{inv}$  one has  $h = (i\lambda)^{-1} \iota_v$ . Indeed, one finds

$$\{d, h\} = (i\lambda)^{-1} \mathcal{L}_v = 1 - \pi_{inv}.$$

To actually prove the claim, one still would have to show that  $\mathcal{L}_v$  is actually diagonalizable. The idea here is to show that  $i\mathcal{L}_v$  is actually a symmetric linear operator. The claim thus shows that the cohomology of  $(\Omega_{inv}^\bullet, d_\varepsilon)$  is the same as  $(\Omega^\bullet, d)$ . However, as a ring with Frobenius structure, one can allow more general spaces than compact  $X$ .

## 2.2 the equivariant integral

Let us now come back to the question of an integration map. What we want:

a) for compact  $X$  (denoted by  $X_c$  in the following):

$$\int_{X_c}^{eqvr} \omega := \int_{X_c} \omega$$

In this case, it is indeed true that

$$\int_{X_c}^{eqvr} d_\varepsilon \omega = \int_{X_c} (d\omega + \varepsilon \iota_v \omega) = 0$$

where the first part vanishes due to Stokes and the second because  $\iota_v \omega$  is of lesser dimension.

- b) for  $X$  not necessarily compact, but equipped with a  $U(1)$ -invariant metric (any metric can be made invariant by averaging) one defines

$$\int_{X_g}^{eqvr} \omega := \int_{X_g} e^{-\Lambda\{d_\varepsilon, \rho\}} \omega$$

where  $\rho$  is some regulator function.

**Remark 6** (regularization by inclusion of cohomological 1). The inclusion of a cohomological 1,  $e^{\{Q, reg\}}$  is a generally good way to regularize.  $\triangleleft$

*Properties:*

1. for  $X = X_c$ , one reduces to  $\int_{X_c} \omega$ .
2. this form of the equivariant integration map can be localized to the zeros of  $v$ .

What could happen for non-compact  $X$ ? For non-compact spaces  $X$ , the integral diverges as  $\Lambda \rightarrow 0$ . In order to regularize the integral, one would like to constrain the support of the integrand in such a way that for  $\Lambda \rightarrow \infty$  the integral localizes around zeros of  $v$ . To do so, one chooses a regulator function  $\rho$  in such a way that one obtains  $|v|^2$  in the exponent (to get a Gaussian integral). Note that identifying  $dx^\mu = \psi^\mu$ , one has  $\iota_v = v^\mu \partial / \partial \psi^\mu$ . If one thus considers

$$v^m g_{mn} \psi^n = g^b(v)$$

one finds

$$\{\iota_v, g^b(v)\} = g(v, v) = \|v\|^2.$$

**Remark 7** (regulator function is Hodge dual of  $\iota_v$ ). One can identify  $g^b(v)$  with the Hodge adjoint of the linear operator  $\iota_v$ :

$$g_{mn} v^m dx^n \propto \iota_v^* = \pm * \iota_v *.$$

$\triangleleft$

A good choice of regulator is

$$\rho = \iota_v^* = (-1)^{n(k-1)+1} * \iota_v *,$$

seen as an operator acting on  $k$ -forms ( $n = \dim X$ ). With this choice, one obtains

$$\int_{X_g}^{eqvr} \omega = \int_{X_g} e^{-\Lambda\{d_\varepsilon, \iota_v^*\}} \omega = \int_{X_g} e^{-\Lambda\varepsilon\|v\|^2 - \Lambda\{d, \iota_v^*\}} \omega.$$

**Remark 8.** In general, one can always choose the regularization function to be

$$\rho = f \iota_v^*$$

where  $f$  is some *amplification function* whose sole purpose is to cut off the support at  $\infty$ .  $\triangleleft$



**Example 6.** Consider  $\mathbb{R}^2 = \mathbb{C}$  endowed with the  $U(1)$ -invariant metric

$$ds^2 = \frac{dzd\bar{z}}{(1 - |z|^2)^m}.$$

This could naively not be integrated. However, it can be integrated in the equivariant setup.  $\blacktriangleleft$

**Example 7** ( $\mathbb{R}^2$  with standard metric). Consider  $\mathbb{R}^2$  with the standard metric

$$ds^2 = dx^2 + dy^2.$$

Consider the  $U(1)$ -action given by (ccw) rotations around the origin. It is generated by the vector field

$$v = x\partial_y - y\partial_x, \quad \|v\|^2 = x^2 + y^2.$$

Then one can show by direct calculation (simply act on  $1, dx, dy, dx \wedge dy$ ), that as an operator one has

$$\iota_v^* = - * \iota_v * = (xdy - ydx) \wedge$$

and hence

$$\{\iota_v, \iota_v^*\} = \{\iota_v, (xdy - ydx) \wedge\} = x^2 + y^2 = \|v\|^2.$$

Moreover,

$$\{d, \iota_v^*\} = 2dx \wedge dy.$$

Therefore, for any  $\omega \in \Omega_{inv}^\bullet$  one has

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{\mathbb{R}^2}^{eqvr} \omega &= \int_{\mathbb{R}^2} e^{-\Lambda\varepsilon(x^2+y^2)-2\Lambda dx \wedge dy} \omega \\ &= \int_{\mathbb{R}^2} e^{-\Lambda\varepsilon(x^2+y^2)} (1 - 2\Lambda dx \wedge dy) \wedge \omega \end{aligned}$$

In polar coordinates, let

$$\omega = f(r) + f_\theta(r)d\theta + f_r(r)dr + f_{r\theta}(r)dr \wedge d\theta \in \Omega_{inv}$$

(note that one has indeed  $\mathcal{L}_v \omega = 0$  for the above parametrization of  $\omega$ ) one thus has

$$\int_{\mathbb{R}^2}^{eqvr} \omega = \int_{\mathbb{R}^2} e^{-\Lambda\varepsilon r^2} (f_{r\theta}(r) - 2\Lambda r f(r)) dr \wedge d\theta.$$

One is the above integral independent of  $\Lambda$ ? This happens precisely when the integrand is *equivariantly closed*, that is

$$d_\varepsilon(f(r) + f_{r\theta}dr \wedge d\theta) = (f'(r) - \varepsilon f_{r\theta}(r))dr = 0 \iff f'(r) = \varepsilon f_{r\theta}(r).$$

Under this condition, the integral becomes (one can directly integrate over  $\theta$ )

$$\int_{\mathbb{R}^2}^{eqvr} \omega = 2\pi \int_0^\infty e^{-\Lambda \varepsilon r^2} \left( \frac{f'(r)}{\varepsilon} - 2\Lambda r f(r) \right) = 2\pi \int_0^\infty d \left( \frac{f(r)e^{-\Lambda \varepsilon r^2}}{\varepsilon} \right) = -2\pi \frac{f(0)}{\varepsilon},$$

which is indeed independent of  $\Lambda$ . Even more is true:

- (i) one only picks up a contribution from the zero of  $v$ , namely from  $(0, 0) \in \mathbb{R}^2$
- (ii) the only interesting part of  $\omega$  is the degree zero part. In particular, one can integrate  $\omega = 1$ , which leads to the notion of *equivariant volume*

The equivariant volume (integrating  $\omega = 1$ ) in this case is

$$\int_{(\mathbb{R}^2, ds_0^2)}^{eqvr} 1 = -\frac{2\pi}{\varepsilon}.$$

**Remark 9** (importance of choice of metric in regulator function). In fact,  $\infty$  is *not* a zero of  $v$  because a) what is  $\infty \in \mathbb{R}^2$  (note that we are not working with the one-point compactification here) and b) what can we evaluate at  $\infty$ ? We can only evaluate the norm  $|v|$  at a point, but not the vector field itself. However, here the importance of the *choice of metric* shows! For different choices of metrics, one obtains different answers (see examples below). The answer thus depends on the choice of regulator.  $\triangleleft$

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**Example 8** ( $\mathbb{C}^2$  with standard metric). Consider now  $\mathbb{C}^2$  with the standard metric

$$ds_0^2 = dx_1^2 + dy_1^2 + dx_2^2 + dy_2^2 = dr_1^2 + r_1^2 d\theta_1^2 + dr_2^2 + r_2^2 d\theta_2^2.$$

We orient  $\mathbb{C}^2$  as the product of orientations of the two  $\mathbb{C}$  factors, that is the volume form on  $\mathbb{C}^2$  is taken to be

$$dvol(\mathbb{C}^2) = dx^1 \wedge dy^1 \wedge dx^2 \wedge dy^2 = (r_1 dr_1 \wedge d\theta_1) \wedge (r_2 dr_2 \wedge d\theta_2).$$

Consider the  $U(1)$  action on  $\mathbb{C}^2$  given by simultaneous rotation:

$$(z_0, z_1) \mapsto (\lambda z_0, \lambda z_1), \quad \lambda \in U(1)$$

**Remark 10** ( $U(1) \subseteq \mathbb{C}^*$ ). This  $U(1)$ -action will be important later when we discuss equivariant integration formulas on  $\mathbb{CP}^n$ . In this case, it is precisely the  $U(1) \subseteq \mathbb{C}^*$ -action.  $\triangleleft$

It is generated by the vector field

$$v = \sum_{i=1}^2 x_i \partial_{y_i} - y_i \partial_{x_i} = \partial_{\theta_1} + \partial_{\theta_2},$$

of norm

$$\|v\|^2 = r_1^2 + r_2^2.$$

The regulator  $\iota_v^*$  is computed for example by its action on 1: let

$$\begin{aligned} \iota_v^* 1 &= - * \iota_v (r_1 r_2 dr_1 \wedge d\theta_1 \wedge dr_2 \wedge d\theta_2) \\ &= - * (-r_1 r_2 dr_1 \wedge dr_2 \wedge d\theta_2 - r_1 r_2 dr_1 \wedge d\theta_1 \wedge dr_2) \\ &= (r_1^2 d\theta_1 + r_2^2 d\theta_2) \wedge = \sum_{i=1}^2 (x_i dy_i - y_i dx_i) \wedge \end{aligned}$$

Therefore,

$$\{d_\varepsilon, \iota_v^*\} = \{d, \iota_v^*\} + \varepsilon \{ \underbrace{\iota_v, \iota_v^*}_{\equiv \nu} \} = 2 \sum_i r_i dr_i \wedge d\theta_i + r_1^2 + r_2^2.$$

The equivariant integral thus takes the form

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{(\mathbb{C}^2, ds_0^2)}^{eqvr} \omega &= \int_{\mathbb{C}^2} e^{-\Lambda \{d_\varepsilon, \iota_v^*\}} \omega = \int_{\mathbb{C}^2} e^{-\Lambda \varepsilon (r_1^2 + r_2^2) - 2\Lambda \nu} \omega \\ &= \int_{\mathbb{C}^2} e^{-\Lambda \varepsilon (r_1^2 + r_2^2)} \left( 1 - 2\Lambda \nu + \frac{1}{2} (2\Lambda \nu)^2 \right) \omega. \end{aligned}$$

As we expand  $\omega$  in its degree parts (recall that  $\omega$  is to be seen as an inhomogeneous form on  $\mathbb{C}^2$ )

$$\omega = \omega^{(0)} + \omega^{(1)} + \omega^{(2)} + \omega^{(3)} + \omega^{(4)},$$

we see that for dimensional reasons we can neglect the odd-degree parts, which we thus set to zero for brevity. The remaining form of  $\omega = \omega^{(0)} + \omega^{(2)} + \omega^{(4)}$  must be

a) invariant:  $\mathcal{L}_v \omega = 0$ ,

b) equivariantly closed:  $d_\varepsilon \omega = 0$ .

Before we study the implications of the above conditions, note that since  $\nu = \sum_i r_i dr_i d\theta_i$ , i.e.  $\nu$  is the sum of the volume forms on each factor  $\mathbb{C} \subset \mathbb{C}^2$ , the only contribution of the degree-two part  $\omega^{(2)}$  comes from the  $(2, 0)$  and  $(0, 2)$  parts. We thus set

$$\omega^{(2)} = f_{11} dr_1 \wedge d\theta_1 + f_{22} dr_2 \wedge d\theta_2.$$

Now, the invariance condition states that we have an expansion of the form

$$\omega = f(r_1, r_2) + f_{11}(r_1, r_2)dr_1 \wedge d\theta_2 + f_{22}(r_1, r_2)dr_2 \wedge d\theta_2 + g(r_1, r_2)dr_1 \wedge d\theta_1 \wedge dr_2 \wedge d\theta_2.$$

The second condition, equivariant closedness, gives us a relation among the coefficient functions, which is solved degree by degree:

$$\begin{aligned} 0 &= df + \varepsilon \iota_v(f_{11}dr_1 \wedge d\theta_2 + f_{22}dr_2 \wedge d\theta_2) + \\ &\quad + d(f_{11}dr_1 \wedge d\theta_2 + f_{22}dr_2 \wedge d\theta_2) + \varepsilon \iota_v(gdr_1 \wedge d\theta_1 \wedge dr_2 \wedge d\theta_2) \\ &= (\partial_1 f - \varepsilon f_{11})dr_1 + (\partial_2 f - \varepsilon f_{22})dr_2 \\ &\quad + (\partial_2 f_{11} - \varepsilon g)dr_1 \wedge d\theta_1 \wedge dr_2 + (\partial_1 f_{22} - \varepsilon g)dr_1 \wedge dr_2 \wedge d\theta_1 \end{aligned}$$

where  $\partial_i \equiv \partial/\partial r_i$ . This implies that

$$f_{11} = \frac{\partial_1 f}{\varepsilon}, \quad f_{22} = \frac{\partial_2 f}{\varepsilon},$$

and thus

$$g = \frac{\partial_1 \partial_2 f}{\varepsilon^2}.$$

We can thus write the equivariant integral of  $\omega$  over  $\mathbb{C}^2$  solely in terms of  $f = \omega^{(0)}$ :

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{(\mathbb{C}^2, ds_0^2)}^{eqvr} \omega &= \int_{\mathbb{C}^2} e^{-\varepsilon \Lambda(r_1^2 + r_2^2)} (4\Lambda^2 r_1 r_2 f - 2\Lambda(r_2 f_{11} + r_1 f_{22}) + g) dr_1 d\theta_1 dr_2 d\theta_2 \\ &= (2\pi)^2 \int dr_1 dr_2 e^{-2\varepsilon \Lambda(r_1^2 + r_2^2)} \left( 4\Lambda r_1 r_2 f - 2\Lambda \left( \frac{r_2 \partial_1 f + r_1 \partial_2 f}{\varepsilon} \right) + \frac{\partial_1 \partial_2 f}{\varepsilon^2} \right) \\ &= (2\pi)^2 \int dr_1 dr_2 \frac{d}{dr_1} \frac{d}{dr_2} \left( \frac{f}{\varepsilon^2} e^{-\varepsilon \Lambda(r_1^2 + r_2^2)} \right) \\ &= \left( -\frac{2\pi}{\varepsilon} \right)^2 f(0). \end{aligned}$$

In particular, the equivariant volume of  $\mathbb{C}^2$  is the product of the equivariant volumes of the factors:

$$\int_{(\mathbb{C}^2, ds_0^2)}^{eqvr} 1 = \left( -\frac{2\pi}{\varepsilon} \right)^2.$$

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**Example 9** ( $\mathbb{C}^n$  with diagonal  $U(1)$ -action and standard metric). The example of the equivariant integration of  $\mathbb{C}^2$  (endowed with the standard metric) with respect to the diagonal  $U(1)$ -action generalizes to the case of  $\mathbb{C}^n$

(again equipped with the standard metric and the diagonal  $U(1)$ -action). In this case one gets again that the equivariant volume of  $\mathbb{C}^n$  is the product of equivariant volumes of the factors:

$$\int_{(\mathbb{C}, ds_0^2)}^{eqvr} 1 = \left( \frac{2\pi}{\varepsilon} \right)^n.$$

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**Example 10** ( $\mathbb{R}^2$  with Fubini-Study metric). Let us endow  $\mathbb{R}^2 = \mathbb{C}$  with the Fubini-Study metric

$$ds_{FS}^2 = \frac{dzd\bar{z}}{(1 + |z|^2)^2}.$$

The vector field generating the  $U(1)$ -action can be written in complex coordinates as

$$v = x\partial_y - y\partial_x = i(z\partial - \bar{z}\bar{\partial}).$$

Then

$$\|v\|_{FS}^2 = \frac{|z|^2}{(1 + |z|^2)^2}$$

which shows that both,  $z = 0$  and  $z = \infty$  are zeros of  $v$ , while the Euclidean metric has only one zero at  $z = 0$ :

$$\|v\|_{Eucl} = |z|^2.$$

The equivariant volume in this case is calculated as follows: again, we choose the regulator function to be  $\rho = \iota_v^*$ , that is

$$\iota_v^* = *_{FS} \iota_v *_{FS}.$$

Now, however, the Hodge star is calculated with respect to the Fubini-Study metric. On the other hand, since we are still working in two dimensions, one finds

$$\begin{aligned} *_{FS} 1 &= K = \frac{i}{2} \frac{dz \wedge d\bar{z}}{(1 + |z|^2)^2} \\ *_{FS} K &= 1 \\ *_{FS} dz &= -id\bar{z} \\ *_{FS} d\bar{z} &= idz. \end{aligned}$$

Therefore, as an operator one finds (after a brute force calculation, i.e. acting with  $\iota_v^*$  on 1)

$$\iota_v^* = \frac{i}{2} \frac{z d\bar{z} - \bar{z} dz}{(1 + |z|^2)^2} \wedge = \frac{xdy - ydx}{(1 + x^2 + y^2)^2} \wedge.$$

It follows that,

$$\begin{aligned}\{\iota_v, \iota_v^*\} &= \frac{|z|^2}{(1+|z|^2)} = \frac{x^2+y^2}{(1+x^2+y^2)^2} = \frac{r^2}{(1+r^2)^2} \\ \{d, \iota_v^*\} &= \frac{2dx \wedge dy}{(1+r^2)^2} - 2 \frac{2(xdx+ydy) \wedge (xdy-ydx)}{(1+r^2)^3} = 2 \frac{(1-r^2)dx \wedge dy}{(1+r^2)^3}\end{aligned}$$

Then, using again polar coordinates

$$\begin{aligned}\int_{(\mathbb{CP}^1, ds_{FS}^2)}^{eqvr} \omega &= \int_{\mathbb{CP}^1} e^{-\Lambda \varepsilon \frac{r^2}{(1+r^2)^2} - 2\Lambda \frac{(1-r^2)r}{(1+r^2)^2} dr \wedge d\theta} \omega \\ &= \int_{\mathbb{CP}^1} e^{-\Lambda \varepsilon \frac{r^2}{(1+r^2)^2}} \left( 1 - 2\Lambda \frac{(1-r^2)r}{(1+r^2)^3} dr \wedge d\theta \right) \omega.\end{aligned}$$

We again expand  $\omega \in \Omega_{inv}^\bullet$  and impose the equivariantly closedness condition, such that as before

$$\omega = f(r) + \cdots + f_{r\theta}(r)dr \wedge d\theta, \quad f'(r) = \varepsilon f_{r\theta}(r).$$

Then one has

$$\begin{aligned}\int_{(\mathbb{CP}^1, ds_{FS}^2)}^{eqvr} \omega &= \int_{\mathbb{CP}^1} e^{-\frac{\Lambda \varepsilon r^2}{(1+r^2)^2}} \left( 1 - 2\Lambda \frac{(1-r^2)r}{(1+r^2)^3} dr \wedge d\theta \right) (f(r) + f_{r\theta}(r)dr \wedge d\theta) \\ &= \int_{\mathbb{CP}^1} e^{-\frac{\Lambda \varepsilon r^2}{(1+r^2)^2}} \left( f_{r\theta}(r) - 2\Lambda \frac{(1-r^2)r}{(1+r^2)^3} f(r) \right) dr \wedge d\theta \\ &= \int_{\mathbb{CP}^1} e^{-\frac{\Lambda \varepsilon r^2}{(1+r^2)^2}} \left( \frac{f'(r)}{\varepsilon} - 2\Lambda \frac{(1-r^2)r}{(1+r^2)^3} f(r) \right) dr \wedge d\theta \\ &= 2\pi \int_0^\infty d \left( e^{-\frac{\Lambda \varepsilon r^2}{(1+r^2)^2}} \frac{f(r)}{\varepsilon} \right) \\ &= 2\pi \left( \frac{f(\infty)}{\varepsilon} - \frac{f(0)}{\varepsilon} \right)\end{aligned}$$

We integral localizes around the now two fixed points at 0 and  $\infty$ . It follows immediately that the equivariant volume is zero, since the two contributions from the two fixed points cancel each other.

$$\int_{(\mathbb{CP}^1, ds_{FS}^2)}^{eqvr} 1 = \frac{2\pi}{\varepsilon} - \frac{2\pi}{\varepsilon} = 0.$$

**Remark 11** (DH, eqvr extension and 1). Note that the integrand, 1, *is not* an equivariant extension of anything but merely an equivariant closed form itself. Indeed, if 1 would be the equivariant extension, than it should come

with accompanied by the equivariant parameter  $\varepsilon$  and one would not have to think about what it means to divide by  $\varepsilon$ . Another way to see this is to consider the Duistermaat-Heckman integral

$$\int_{\mathbb{CP}^1}^{eqvr} e^{t\hat{\omega}_{FS}} \int_{\mathbb{CP}^1} e^{t(\varepsilon\mu + \omega_{FS})} \sim \frac{2\pi}{\varepsilon} \sum_{\text{fixed pts } p} \frac{e^{\varepsilon\mu(p)}}{\prod w_i}$$

where  $w_i$  are the weights of the  $U(1)$ -action and  $\hat{\omega}_{FS}$  is the equivariant extension of the Fubini-Study form, i.e.

$$(d + \varepsilon\iota_v)(\varepsilon\mu + \omega_{FS}) = 0 \iff \mu \text{ moment map.}$$

Then one can consider an expansion in  $t$  which gives at order  $\mathcal{O}(1)$  the equivariant volume

$$\int_{\mathbb{CP}^1}^{eqvr} 1 = \lim_{t \rightarrow 0} \int_{\mathbb{CP}^1}^{eqvr} e^{t\hat{\omega}_{FS}} = \sum \pm \frac{2\pi}{\varepsilon}.$$

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**Remark 12.** Notice that by our definition of the equivariant integral, it must coincide with the ordinary integral for any compact space  $X_c$ . In particular, this is consistent with what we have shown in the example above:

$$0 = \int_{\mathbb{CP}^1}^{eqvr} 1 = \int_{\mathbb{CP}^1} 1$$

where the last integral vanishes for dimensional reasons. In fact, the equivariant volume for any compact manifold is zero. ◁

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**Example 11** (Cylinder  $\mathbb{C}^*$  with metric  $dzd\bar{z}/|z|^2$ ). Consider the cylinder  $\mathbb{C}^* \simeq S^1 \times \mathbb{R}$  with metric

$$ds_{cyl}^2 = \frac{|dz|^2}{|z|^2} = \frac{dx^2 + dy^2}{x^2 + y^2} = \frac{dr^2 + r^2 d\theta^2}{r^2}.$$

This time, we will work in polar coordinates from the beginning. The  $U(1)$ -action given by rotation around the axis of the cylinder is generated by the vector field

$$v = x\partial_y - y\partial_x = \partial_\theta, \quad \|v\|_{cyl} = 1.$$

**Remark 13.** Note that

$$\iota_v \frac{xdy - ydx}{r^2} = 1 \implies \frac{xdy - ydx}{r^2} = d\theta.$$

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We have

$$\begin{aligned}\iota_v^* 1 &= - * \iota_v * 1 = - * \iota_{\partial_\theta} \frac{r dr \wedge d\theta}{r^2} = - * \left( -\frac{dr}{r} \right) \\ &= * \frac{xdx + ydy}{r^2} = \frac{xdy - ydx}{r^2} = d\theta \wedge 1\end{aligned}$$

and hence, as an operator,

$$\iota_v^* = d\theta \wedge .$$

Thus

$$\begin{aligned}\{\iota_v, \iota_v^*\} &= 1 \\ \{d, \iota_v^*\} &= 0.\end{aligned}$$

It follows that

$$\begin{aligned}\int_{(\mathbb{C}^*, ds_{cyl}^2)}^{eqvr} \omega &= \int_{\mathbb{C}^*} e^{-\Lambda\{d_\varepsilon, \iota_v^*\}} \omega = \int_{\mathbb{C}^*} e^{-\Lambda\varepsilon} f_{r\theta}(r) dr \wedge d\theta \\ &= 2\pi \int_0^\infty e^{-\Lambda\varepsilon} \frac{f'(r)}{\varepsilon} = 2\pi \int_0^\infty d \left( e^{-\Lambda\varepsilon} \frac{f(r)}{\varepsilon} \right) = 0\end{aligned}$$

since  $f$  is a function on the cylinder  $\mathbb{C}^*$  and thus vanishes (fast enough) at 0 and  $\infty$ . Here we have once again expanded  $\omega \in \Omega_{inv}^\bullet$  as

correct argument?

$$\omega = f(r) + \dots + f_{r\theta}(r) dr \wedge d\theta$$

and imposed the equivariantly closedness condition

$$f(r) = \varepsilon f_{r\theta}.$$

The vanishing of the equivariant integral of *any* equivariantly closed form is consistent with the observation that there is no fixed point of the  $U(1)$ -action on the cylinder (i.e. there  $v$  is everywhere non-vanishing). ◀

## 2.3 equivariant cohomology of $\mathbb{CP}^n$ from localization

**Warm up:**  $\mathbb{CP}^1$ . To start, consider  $\mathbb{CP}^1$  endowed with the Fubini-Study metric. In homogeneous coordinates,  $z_0, z_1$ , there are two actions of  $\mathbb{C}^*$ :

1. the “gauge action”  $\mathbb{C}_{gauge}^*: (z_0, z_1) \mapsto (\lambda z_0, \lambda z_1)$
2. the “external action”  $U(1) \subset \mathbb{C}_{ext}^*: (z_0, z_1) \mapsto (z_0, \mu z_1)$



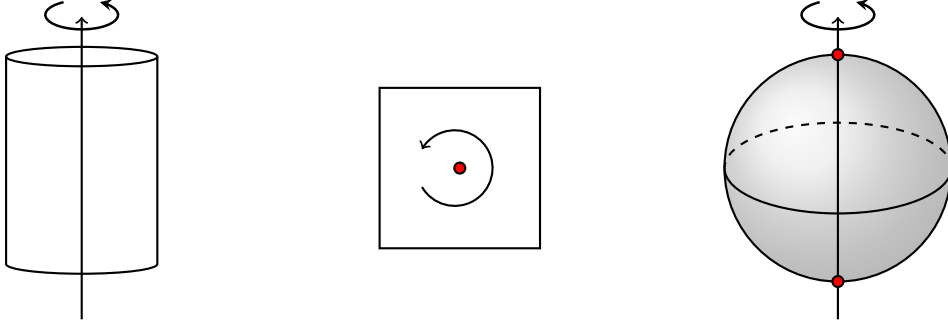


Figure 1: Fixed points of the  $U(1)$ -action on the sphere (left), the plane (middle), and the cylinder (right).

Let us consider the fixed points (better: fixed gauge orbits): First, there is the gauge orbit through  $z_1 = 0$ :

$$\mathbb{C}_{ext}^*: (z_0, 0) \mapsto (z_0, 0) \ni (1, 0),$$

next, there is the gauge orbit through  $z_0 = 0$ :

$$\mathbb{C}_{ext}^*: (0, z_1) \mapsto (0, \xi z_1) \sim_{gauge} (0, z_1) \ni (0, 1).$$

It turns out that these are the only two orbits (modulo gauge) which are fixed under  $\mathbb{C}_{ext}^*$ .

**Remark 14.** The special representatives correspond to the north and south pole of  $\mathbb{C}^1$ .  $\triangleleft$

That there are only two fixed (gauge) orbits, hints to the fact that the equivariant cohomology of  $\mathbb{CP}^1$  is only two dimensional. This can be made more precise as follows: suppose that  $\omega$  is a  $U(1)$ -invariant closed two form:  $d\omega = 0$ . Let us try to extend  $\omega$  to an equivariantly closed form. We thus set  $\hat{\omega} = \omega + \varepsilon\mu$  with  $\deg \varepsilon = 2$ . The condition on  $\mu$  turns out to be the moment map condition:

$$d_\varepsilon \hat{\omega} = (d + \varepsilon \iota_v)(\omega + \varepsilon\mu) = \varepsilon(\iota_v \omega + d\mu) = 0.$$

Notice that the existence of  $\mu$  is given at least locally. Since  $\omega$  is taken to be  $U(1)$ -invariant, that is  $\mathcal{L}_v \omega = 0$ , one has

$$d\iota_v \omega = \mathcal{L}_v \omega = 0$$

which implies that  $\iota_v \omega = \pm d\mu$  at least locally. Recall that the equivariant integration map is non-degenerate and depends only on the 0-form part of the equivariantly closed integrand. It then follows that

$$\int_{\mathbb{CP}^1}^{eqvr} \hat{\mu} = \frac{2\pi}{\varepsilon} (\varepsilon\mu(\infty) - \varepsilon\mu(0)) = 2\pi(\mu(\infty) - \mu(0)).$$

The non-degeneracy of the equivariant integration map implies that the equivariant cohomology of  $\mathbb{CP}^1$  is only two dimensional, since one expect that the integral, seen as a linear functional, maps any basis element to a certain number. Non-degeneracy ensures that the kernel of the map is empty. We can deduce more:

- i)  $\dim H_{eqvr}(\mathbb{CP}^1) = 2$
- ii) the linear functional written in an “obvious” basis (namely the basis dual to the fixed points) is given by the pairing with  $\frac{2\pi}{\varepsilon}(1, -1)$
- iii) the ring structure is given by  $\hat{\alpha} \wedge \hat{\beta} \mapsto \hat{\alpha}^{(0)} \cdot \hat{\beta}^{(0)}$

There exist, in particular, two “natural basis” in  $H_{eq}(\mathbb{CP}^1)$ :

- 1.  $1, \hat{\omega}_{FS} \equiv \sigma$
- 2. the basis dual to the fixed point of the action

Let us compute  $\sigma$ : recall that

$$\omega_{FS} = \frac{rdr \wedge d\theta}{(1+r^2)^2}.$$

Then

$$\iota_v \omega_{FS} = -\frac{rdr}{(1+r^2)^2} \stackrel{!}{=} d\mu \implies \mu = \frac{1}{2} \frac{1}{(1+r^2)} + cst.$$

Hence

$$\sigma = \hat{\omega}_{FS} = cst. + \frac{\varepsilon}{2} \frac{1}{(1+r^2)} + \omega_{FS}.$$

The first basis elements are then mapped via the integration map to

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{\mathbb{CP}^1}^{eqvr} 1 &\mapsto \frac{2\pi}{\varepsilon} - \frac{2\pi}{\varepsilon} = 0 \\ \int_{\mathbb{CP}^1}^{eqvr} \sigma &\mapsto \frac{2\pi}{\varepsilon} \left(0 - \frac{\varepsilon}{2}\right) = -\pi \end{aligned}$$

Therefore, the integration map can be written again as a contour integral (up to factors of  $\pi$ ):

$$\int_{\mathbb{CP}^1}^{eqvr} P(\sigma) = \oint_{\mathcal{C}} \frac{d\sigma}{2\pi i} \frac{P(\sigma)}{(\sigma - \varepsilon)\sigma}$$

where the contour  $\mathcal{C}$  encloses the two contributions of the fixed points

$$\hat{\omega}_{FS}(0) \sim \varepsilon \quad \text{and} \quad \hat{\omega}_{FS}(\infty) \sim 0.$$

Notice that if one expands the denominator in a fractional linear combination,

$$\oint \frac{d\sigma}{2\pi i} \frac{P(\sigma)}{(\sigma - \varepsilon)\sigma} = \oint \frac{d\sigma}{2\pi i} P(\sigma) \left( \frac{1}{\sigma - \varepsilon} - \frac{1}{\sigma} \right)$$

One sees explicitly that one has to evaluate  $P(\sigma)$  at the two (fixed) points.

**Generalization to  $\mathbb{CP}^n$ .** Consider the (external) torus action  $T = \underbrace{U(1) \times \dots \times U(1)}_{n \text{ times}}$  on  $\mathbb{CP}^n$  acting by weights  $\lambda_k^i$ . The generating vector fields is given by

$$v_k = \sum_i \lambda_k^i (z^i \partial_i - \bar{z}^i \bar{\partial}_i) \sim \sum_i \lambda_k^i \partial_{\theta_i}.$$

The  $k$ -th copy of  $U(1)$  inside the torus  $T$  thus acts by the weight  $\lambda_k^i$  on the  $i$ -th coordinate (in a coordinate chart  $z_0 \neq 0$ ). The regulator function must then be taken, such that one obtains  $\sum \|v_k\|^2$  in the action (in order to localize the support around the common zeros of the  $v_k$ ). A convenient choice is to take (as an operator)

$$\rho = \sum_i z^i d\bar{z}^i - \bar{z}^i dz^i.$$

**Remark 15** (is  $\rho = \iota^*$ ?). In homogeneous coordinates  $[z_0, \dots, z_n]$  on  $\mathbb{CP}^n$ , the Fubini-Study metric is given by

$$\omega_{FS} = \frac{i}{2} \frac{1}{(|z_0|^2 + \dots + |z_n|^2)^2} \sum_{j \neq k} |z_j|^2 dz_k \wedge d\bar{z}_k - \bar{z}_j z_k dz_j \wedge d\bar{z}_k$$

**Example 12** ( $\mathbb{CP}^1$ ). To build up intuition, consider the case of  $\mathbb{CP}^1$ . In a local chart  $z_0 \neq 0$  we set  $z = z_1/z_0$ . It follows that

$$dz \wedge d\bar{z} = \frac{1}{|z_0|^2} (dz_1 \wedge d\bar{z}_1 + |z|^2 dz_0 \wedge d\bar{z}_0 - z dz_0 \wedge d\bar{z}_1 - \bar{z} dz_1 \wedge d\bar{z}_0).$$

Furthermore, we have

$$\begin{aligned}
\omega_{FS} &= \frac{i}{2} \frac{|z_0|^2 dz_1 \wedge d\bar{z}_1 + |z_1|^2 dz_0 \wedge d\bar{z}_0 - \bar{z}_0 z_1 dz_0 \wedge d\bar{z}_1 - \bar{z}_1 z_0 dz_1 \wedge d\bar{z}_0}{(|z_0|^2 + |z_1|^2)^2} \\
&= \frac{i}{2} \frac{|z_0|^2 dz_1 \wedge d\bar{z}_1 + |z_1|^2 dz_0 \wedge d\bar{z}_0 - \bar{z}_0 z_1 dz_0 \wedge d\bar{z}_1 - \bar{z}_1 z_0 dz_1 \wedge d\bar{z}_0}{|z_0|^4 (1 + |z_1/z_0|^2)^2} \\
&= \frac{i}{2} \frac{\frac{1}{|z_0|^2} \left( dz_1 \wedge d\bar{z}_1 + \left| \frac{z_1}{z_0} \right|^2 dz_0 \wedge d\bar{z}_0 - \frac{z_1}{z_0} dz_0 \wedge d\bar{z}_1 - \frac{\bar{z}_1}{\bar{z}_0} dz_1 \wedge d\bar{z}_0 \right)}{\left( 1 + \left| \frac{z_1}{z_0} \right|^2 \right)^2} \\
&= \frac{i}{2} \frac{\frac{1}{|z_0|^2} (dz_1 \wedge d\bar{z}_1 + |z|^2 dz_0 \wedge d\bar{z}_0 - z dz_0 \wedge d\bar{z}_1 - \bar{z} dz_1 \wedge d\bar{z}_0)}{(1 + |z|^2)^2} \\
&= \frac{i}{2} \frac{dz \wedge d\bar{z}}{(1 + |z|^2)^2}
\end{aligned}$$

which is the standard form in a chart. ◀

In a chart,  $z_0 \neq 0$  one has with coordinates  $\zeta_i = z_i/z_0$

$$\omega_{FS} = \frac{\sum_i d\zeta_i \wedge d\bar{\zeta}_i}{(1 + \sum_i |\zeta_i|^2)^2}.$$

is thus  $\rho = \sum_k \iota_{v_k}^*$  ?? ◁

With the above choice of  $v_k$  and  $\rho$ , the equivariant integration map then becomes

$$\int_{\mathbb{CP}^n}^{eqvr} \omega = \int_{\mathbb{CP}^n} e^{-\Lambda\{d_\varepsilon, \rho\}} \omega = \int_{\mathbb{CP}^n} e^{-\Lambda(2dz^i \wedge d\bar{z}^i - \sum_{k,i} \varepsilon^k \lambda_k^i |z^i|^2)} \omega \sim \frac{\omega(0)}{\prod_{i=1}^n \sum_k \varepsilon^k \lambda_k}$$

where now

$$d_\varepsilon = d + \varepsilon^k \iota_{v_k}.$$

question: what is the fubini-study metric on  $\mathbb{CP}^n$ ?

spell out: how many fixed points are there?  $\hat{H}(\mathbb{CP}^n)$  should be ?-dimensional. The integral should then look like

$$\int_{\mathbb{CP}^n}^{eqvr} \hat{\omega} = \frac{\sum_k \varepsilon^k \mu_k}{\prod_i \varepsilon^a \lambda_a^i}$$

How to write it as contour integral?

$$\oint d\sigma \frac{P(\sigma)}{(\sigma - \varepsilon_1)(\sigma - \varepsilon_2) \dots (\sigma - \varepsilon_n)\sigma}$$

## 2.4 equivariant cohomology of $\mathbb{CP}^n$ from factorization

Here we present another viewpoint on how to obtain the equivariant cohomology of  $\mathbb{CP}^n$ . The motivation is that in the formula we found for the equivariant integral of  $\mathbb{CP}^1$

$$\oint \frac{d\sigma}{2\pi i} \frac{P(\sigma)}{\sigma(\sigma - \varepsilon)}$$

one can interpret the factor  $\sigma^{-1}$  and  $(\sigma - \varepsilon)^{-1}$  as equivariant volumes themselves. In this interpretation, one has to assume that  $\sigma$  is the equivariant factor corresponding to the  $\mathbb{C}_{gauge}^*$  action on  $\mathbb{C}^2$  and  $\varepsilon$  corresponds to the equivariant parameter associated to the  $\mathbb{C}_{ext}^*$  action on  $\mathbb{C}^2$ . In more detail: in order to integrate over  $\mathbb{CP}^1$  one can consider the integration over  $\mathbb{C}^2 - \{0\}$  and treat the  $\mathbb{C}_{gauge}^*$  action on  $\mathbb{C}^2 - \{0\}$  as a gauge action. To fix the gauge, one proceeds in steps. Recall that  $\mathbb{C}_{gauge}^* = U(1)_{gauge} \times \mathbb{R}_{gauge}$ . The  $\mathbb{R}_{gauge}$  can be fixed by forcing the condition

$$\mu = |z_0|^2 + |z_1|^2 - R^2 = 0. \quad (5)$$

Note that  $\mu$  is a moment map for the remaining  $U(1)$ -action (when  $\mathbb{C}^2$  is endowed with the standard symplectic form  $\omega = dz_0 \wedge d\bar{z}_0 + dz_1 \wedge d\bar{z}_1$ ). The condition is introduced via a Lagrange multiplier for  $\mu$  and  $d\mu$ . Note that geometrically, one considers the hypersurface  $\{(z_0, z_1) \in \mathbb{C}^2 \mid \mu(z_0, z_1) = 0\} \subset \mathbb{C}^2$ . To localize the integral on this hypersurface, one considers its Poincaré dual, constructed via (smeared)  $\delta$ -functions:

$$\delta^\varepsilon(\mu) := e^{-|\mu|^2/2\varepsilon} \frac{d\mu}{\sqrt{\varepsilon}} = (2\pi)^{-1/2} \int d\lambda dc e^{-i\lambda\mu + cd\mu - \varepsilon\lambda^2/2}.$$

where  $c$  is an *odd* Lagrangian multiplier (ghost) and  $\lambda$  an even one. Notice that

$$\int dc e^{cd\mu} = \int dc (1 + cd\mu) = d\mu$$

and

$$\int d\lambda e^{-i\lambda\mu - \varepsilon\lambda^2/2} = \sqrt{\frac{2\pi}{\varepsilon}} e^{-\mu^2/2\varepsilon}.$$

What we have achieved so far:

$$\int_{\mathbb{CP}^1} \pi^* \omega \sim \int_{\mathbb{C}^2} \delta^\varepsilon(\mu) \pi^* \omega,$$

where  $\pi: \mathbb{C}^2 - \{0\} \rightarrow \mathbb{CP}^1$  is the canonical projection.

After having gauged the  $\mathbb{R}_{gauge}$  action by introducing the moment map, we still have to gauge the  $U(1)_{gauge}$ -action, in order to pass to the quotient. We thus would like to work equivariantly. The natural question is then if

$\delta^\varepsilon(\mu)$ , which we have to introduce under integral is actually equivariantly closed.

For future use, let us introduce the following differential

$$Q = d + i\lambda \frac{\partial}{\partial c}.$$

Then we can write the exponent of  $\delta^\varepsilon(\mu)$  as

$$QG, \quad G = -c\mu + i\varepsilon c\lambda/2.$$

Since  $\mu$  is the moment map for the  $U(1)_{gauge}$ -action, one has

$$\iota_v d\mu = \iota_v \iota_v \omega = 0$$

or equivalently

$$\iota_v d\mu = \mathcal{L}_v \mu = 0$$

since  $\mu$  is invariant under the  $U(1)_{gauge}$ -action (c.f. (5)). The derivative of the moment map  $d\mu$  is thus horizontal:  $\iota_v d\mu = 0$  and hence  $\delta^\varepsilon(\mu)$  is basic, that is horizontal and invariant:

$$\iota_v \delta^\varepsilon(\mu) = \mathcal{L}_v \delta^\varepsilon(\mu) = 0.$$

We may now try to pass to the quotient (modding out the  $U(1)_{gauge}$ -action).

**the math way** Suppose that we have an  $S^1$  bundle  $\pi: X \twoheadrightarrow B = X/U(1)$ . Suppose further that we want to understand the integral over the base in terms of an integral over the total space. The naive approach, simply replacing  $B$  by  $X$  and consider only basic forms, does not work for dimensional reasons:

$$\int_B \omega_1 \wedge \cdots \wedge \omega_n \stackrel{?}{=} \int_X \pi^* \omega_1 \wedge \cdots \wedge \pi^* \omega_n = 0.$$

Indeed, the basic forms  $\pi^* \omega_i$  do not have any component along the fibers since by definition they are horizontal:  $\iota_v \pi^* \omega_i = 0$  (here  $v$  is a vector field along/tangent to the fiber). The second approach is to introduce a connection form  $A$  along the fiber.  $A$  must be invariant

$$\mathcal{L}_v A = 0.$$

Let  $Lie(U(1)) = \mathbb{R} \langle 1 \rangle$  such that one usually demands

$$\iota_v A = 1.$$

**Remark 16.** A connection 1-form  $A$  on a principal  $G$ -bundle  $P \rightarrow B$ , satisfies

$$\iota(X^\sharp)A = X$$

where  $X \in \mathfrak{g}$  and  $X^\sharp$  is the corresponding fundamental vector field. In the example  $G = U(1)$ , the fundamental vector field of 1 (the generator of  $Lie(U(1)) = \mathbb{R} \langle 1 \rangle$ ) is denoted by  $v$ .  $\triangleleft$

The condition  $\iota_v A = 1$  is, however, best seen as a *normalization*. For a connection 1-form it would suffice that  $\iota_v A \neq 0$ . The normalization is thus a new condition, which we will implement using (odd) Lagrange multipliers.

Let  $\tilde{A}$  be the unnormalized connection, i.e.  $\iota_v \tilde{A} \neq 0$ . It will be convenient to work in a super-manifold setting, i.e.  $\tilde{A} = \tilde{A}_\mu \psi^\mu$  and  $\iota_v = v^\mu \frac{\partial}{\partial \psi^\mu}$  where  $\psi^\mu \sim dx^\mu$ . We introduce fermionic (super) ghosts  $\bar{\eta}_\alpha$ , and bosonic (super) ghosts  $\sigma^a$  and  $\bar{\sigma}_\alpha$  and introduce

$$\left( \prod_{\alpha, a, \beta} d\bar{\eta}_\beta d\sigma^a d\bar{\sigma}_\alpha \right) e^{\bar{\eta}_\alpha \tilde{A}^\alpha + \sigma^a \iota_{v^a} \tilde{A}^\alpha \bar{\sigma}_\alpha}$$

in the integral. Note that the above insertion, when integrated over the  $\bar{\eta}, \sigma$  and  $\bar{\sigma}$ , yields an insertion of  $\tilde{A}/\iota_v \tilde{A}$ , which is equivalent to an insertion of the *normalized connection*  $A$ .

**Remark 17** (normalization matrix). The matrix

$$N_a{}^\alpha := \iota_{v^a} \tilde{A}^\alpha$$

is called the normalization matrix. The integrand

$$e^{\sigma^a \iota_{v^a} \tilde{A}^\alpha \bar{\sigma}_\alpha} = e^{\sigma^a N_a{}^\alpha \bar{\sigma}_\alpha}$$

integrated over  $\sigma$  and  $\bar{\sigma}$ , then gives nothing but  $\det N_a{}^\alpha$ .  $\triangleleft$

**the physics way** one treats the  $U(1)$ -action of the bundle  $\pi: X \rightarrow B$  as a gauge symmetry. The  $\bar{\eta}$  und  $\bar{\sigma}$  play the role of the ghosts needed for the gauge fixing of the super group generated by  $\iota_v$ . The gauge fixing condition is simply  $\tilde{A} = 0$ , which is achieved by inclusion of a delta function

$$\int d\bar{\eta} e^{\bar{\eta}_\alpha \tilde{A}^\alpha} = \prod_\alpha \tilde{A}^\alpha = \delta(\tilde{A})$$

since  $\tilde{A} = \tilde{A}_\mu \psi^\mu$  is an *odd* object. The corresponding Faddeev-Popov determinant is then given by

$$\Delta = \int d\sigma d\bar{\sigma} e^{-\sigma^a \iota_{v^a} \tilde{A}^\alpha \bar{\sigma}_\alpha}.$$

**Back to  $\mathbb{CP}^1$ :** The full integral over  $\mathbb{CP}^1$ , where we have gauged the  $\mathbb{R}_{gauge}$ -action due to the inclusion of the moment map and the  $U(1)_{gauge}$ -action due to the inclusion of the (un-/normalized) connection, reads

$$\int_{\mathbb{CP}^1} \pi^* \omega \sim \int_{\mathbb{C}^2} dx d\psi d\lambda dcd\bar{\eta} d\sigma d\bar{\sigma} \pi^* \omega e^{-i\lambda\mu + cd\mu - \varepsilon\lambda^2/2 + \bar{\eta}\tilde{A} + \sigma\iota_v \tilde{A}\bar{\sigma}}.$$

Let us introduce the differential

$$d^{tot} = \psi^\mu \partial_{x^\mu} + \lambda \partial_c + \sigma \iota_v + \bar{\eta} \partial_{\bar{\sigma}},$$

where we have written the deRham differential in terms of super-coordinates:  $d = dx^\mu \partial_{x^\mu} = \psi^\mu \partial_{x^\mu}$ . We can then write the exponent as

$$d^{tot} G_1, \quad G_1 = -c\mu + i\varepsilon c\lambda/2 + \tilde{A}\bar{\sigma}.$$

Hence

$$\int_{\mathbb{CP}^1} \pi^* \omega \sim \int_{\mathbb{C}^2} dx d\psi d\lambda dcd\bar{\eta} d\sigma d\bar{\sigma} \pi^* \omega e^{d^{tot} G_1} \quad (6)$$

Recall that we aimed to understand the integral

$$\oint \frac{P(\sigma)}{\sigma(\sigma - \varepsilon)}.$$

Here,  $\sigma$  corresponds to the equivariant parameter of the internal  $U(1)_{gauge}$ -action. This can be seen as follows: in the equivariant cohomology calculation of  $\mathbb{CP}^1$ , there were secretly two  $U(1)$ -actions: the internal  $U(1)_{gauge}$ -action on  $\mu^{-1}(0) = \{|z_0|^2 + |z_1|^2 - R^2 = 0\} \subset \mathbb{C}^2$  and the  $U(1)_{ext}$ -action. The former acted as  $(z_0, z_1) \mapsto (\lambda z_0, \lambda z_1)$  while the latter acted as  $(z_0, z_1) \mapsto (z_0, \lambda z_1)$ . Therefore, one could consider an equivariant differential not on  $\mathbb{CP}^1$  but on  $\mathbb{C}^2$ , where now one would have two equivariant parameters  $\sigma$  and  $\varepsilon$ :

$$d_{eq} = d + \sigma \iota_{v_{int}} + \varepsilon \iota_{v_{ext}}.$$

Note that the  $U(1)_{gauge}$ -action has only one fixed-point in  $\mathbb{C}^2$ , namely the origin. However, this is cut out, due to the moment map (the space of integration is actually  $\mu^{-1}(0) \not\ni 0$ ).

We are therefore aiming to keep the integral over  $\sigma$  in (6). Moreover, the integral over  $dx d\psi$  corresponds to the integral over  $\mathbb{C}^2$ , which we also wish to keep. That means that we should somehow perform the integral over  $d\lambda dcd\bar{\eta} d\sigma$ . In order to do so, notice that we can always introduce a term of the form  $d^{tot} G_2$  in the exponent without changing the integral. Let us put

$$G_2 = i\Lambda c\bar{\sigma}$$

such that

$$d^{tot} G_2 = i\Lambda(\bar{\eta}\lambda + \lambda\bar{\sigma}).$$

Here  $\Lambda$  is some parameter, which will be taken to infinity in order to localize the integral to zeros of  $\bar{\eta}c + \lambda\bar{\sigma}$ . Hence, in the limit  $\Lambda \rightarrow \infty$ , we see that  $\bar{\eta}, \lambda, c$  and  $\bar{\sigma}$  go to zero and thus drop out from the integral. At the same time, however, we see that also  $G_1$  goes to zero and that  $d^{tot}$  reduces to the  $U(1)_{gauge}$ -equivariant differential

$$d^{tot} \rightarrow \psi^\mu \partial_{x^\mu} + \sigma \iota_v = d_{eq}^{gauge}.$$



**Remark 18** (homotopy). Note that the piece  $\bar{\eta}\partial_{\bar{\sigma}} + \lambda\partial_c$  in  $d^{tot}$  does not contribute to any cohomology of  $d^{tot}$ . This suggests that there exists a homotopy for this piece of the complex. The introduction of  $G_2$  then contracts this piece such that it drops out from the integral.  $\triangleleft$

Assuming that  $\pi^*\omega = P(\sigma)$ , the integral becomes

$$\int_{\mathbb{CP}^1} \pi^*\omega = \int_{\mathbb{C}^2} dx d\psi \int_{\mathbb{R}} d\sigma P(\sigma).$$

To regularize the integral over  $\mathbb{C}^2$ , one works  $U(1)_{gauge}$ -equivariantly, that is one introduces a regulator of the form  $d^{tot}\iota_v^*$  in the exponential, such that

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{\mathbb{CP}^1} \pi^*\omega &\sim \int_{\mathbb{C}^2} dx d\psi \int_{\mathbb{R}} d\sigma P(\sigma) e^{d^{tot}\iota_v^*} \\ &= \int_{\mathbb{C}^2} dx d\psi \int_{\mathbb{R}} d\sigma P(\sigma) e^{d_{eq}^{gauge}\iota_v^*} \\ &= \int d\sigma 2\pi\sigma^{-2} P(\sigma), \end{aligned}$$

where the integration over  $\mathbb{C}^2$  gives its equivariant volume  $\sigma^{-2}$ .

Note, however, that we have not yet considered an *external*  $U(1)$ -action. If we would include the external  $U(1)$ -action in our considerations, then we would have to add a piece  $\varepsilon\iota_{v_{ext}}$  to  $d^{tot}$ . Here we have introduced an equivariant parameter  $\varepsilon$  for the  $U(1)_{ext}$ -action. In the limit  $\Lambda \rightarrow \infty$ , the total differential then becomes

$$d^{tot} = \psi^\mu \partial_{x^\mu} + \sigma \iota_{v_{gauge}} + \varepsilon \iota_{v_{ext}}.$$

And working equivariantly (now also with respect to the  $U(1)_{ext}$ -action, one has

$$\int_{\mathbb{CP}^1}^{eqvr} \pi^*\omega = \int_{\mathbb{C}^2} dx d\psi \int_{\mathbb{R}} d\sigma P(\sigma) e^{d^{tot}(\iota_{v_{gauge}}^* + \iota_{v_{ext}}^*)} = \int_{\mathbb{R}} d\sigma \frac{P(\sigma)}{\sigma(\sigma - \varepsilon)}.$$

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This is almost what we wanted to show. The problem is that the original euivariant integral formula is a contour integration, where here we integrate  $\sigma$  over the line (recall that  $\sigma$  was a bosonic ghost variable). However, one has to be more careful: when introducing  $G_2$  and taking the limit  $\Lambda \rightarrow \infty$ , one encounters fast oscillating integrals. In order to make these integrals well-defined, one must integrate over a contour which is deformed away from the real line.

**Remark 19** (hypersurfaces in toric varieties). Hypersurfaces in toric varieties are cut out by homogeneous polynomials:  $F(\lambda x) = \lambda^p F(x)$  and

$\Sigma = \{F(x) = 0\} \subseteq \mathbb{C}^n$ . In order to integrate over them, one proceeds as before but now considers the differential

$$d \rightarrow d + F(x)\partial_\pi$$

where one augments  $\mathbb{C}^n$  by an odd coordinate:  $\mathbb{C}^n \times \mathbb{C}[1]$  with  $\pi \in \mathbb{C}[1]$ . The new part of the differential is called the *Koszul differential*. In the integral equations, all things then localize to  $F(x) = 0$ , thus to the hypersurface.  $\triangleleft$

## 2.5 Cohomology of complete intersections

Consider  $\mathbb{CP}^n$  (or any other toric variety) and a set of equations  $F_i = 0$ .

**Remark 20** (sections vs holomorphic functions). We know that on  $\mathbb{CP}^n$  there exist no holomorphic functions, only (holomorphic) sections of line bundles. However, for  $\mathbb{CP}^n$ , sections of degree  $d$  are degree  $d$  (homogeneous) polynomials in the (homogeneous) coordinates  $z_0, \dots, z_n$ . The set of equations  $F_i = 0$  are then intersections of those sections with the zero section.  $\triangleleft$

We want to study the submanifold of  $\mathbb{CP}^n$  given by  $\bigcap \{F_i(z_0, \dots, z_n) = 0\}/\mathbb{C}^*$ . The strategy is to work on  $\mathbb{C}^{n+1}$  and inforce  $F_i = 0$  via a delta function. Finally we mod out by the  $\mathbb{C}^*$  action. The idea is then always to

- a) construct  $\delta(F_i)$ ,
- b) interpret  $\delta(F_i)$  as  $e^{QG}$  for some differential  $Q$ .

**Remark 21.** If we would be interested in the equivariant volume of the submanifolds  $F_i = 0$ , we would need an external  $\mathbb{C}_{ext}^*$ -action on the space of solutions of  $F_i = 0$ .  $\triangleleft$

**Remark 22** (complete intersection). With *complete intersection* we mean that one has to consider the variety build from *all* components. For example, the variety  $xy = 0$  is the union of two lines (the  $x$ -axis and the  $y$ -axis). One may now be interested in only one component, say the  $x$ -axis. This is itself a variety. However, when we speak of *complete intersections* we mean that all components (in this case the  $x$ - and  $y$ -axis) have to be considered.  $\triangleleft$

Let us now construct  $\delta(F_i)$ : as in the example of the moment map, it is given (up to factors of  $2\pi$ 's) by

$$\begin{aligned} \delta^\varepsilon(F) &\equiv \prod_i \delta^\varepsilon(F_i) = \int dp d\bar{p} d\pi d\bar{\pi} e^{p^a F_a + \bar{p}^{\bar{a}} \bar{F}_{\bar{a}} + \pi^a dF_a + \bar{\pi}^{\bar{a}} d\bar{F}_{\bar{a}} - \varepsilon p^a \bar{p}^{\bar{a}}} \\ &\sim \prod_a e^{-|F_a|^2/\varepsilon} \frac{dF_a d\bar{F}_{\bar{a}}}{\varepsilon^2}. \end{aligned}$$

In order to check that  $\delta^\varepsilon(F)$  is closed, we introduce the differential

$$Q = d + p^a \partial_{\pi^a} + \bar{p}^{\bar{a}} \partial_{\bar{\pi}^{\bar{a}}}.$$

Then the exponent can be written as

$$Q(\pi^a F_a + \bar{\pi}^{\bar{a}} \bar{F}_{\bar{a}} + \varepsilon \pi^a \bar{p}_{\bar{a}}).$$

Note that the second part of  $Q$  can be seen as a deRham differential acting on an odd space with coordinates  $\pi^a, \bar{\pi}^{\bar{a}}$ . In the study of integrals over complete intersections, one is thus naturally led to consider the super-manifold with coordinates  $(x, \bar{x}, \pi, \bar{\pi})$  and  $\psi = Qx, p = Q\pi$ .

**Remark 23** (generalization to toric varieties). The generalization to toric varieties is then given by the following prescription:

$$\mathbb{C}^n // (\mathbb{C}^*)^k \rightarrow \left( \mathbb{C}^n \times (\Pi \mathbb{C})^\ell \right) // (\mathbb{C}^*)^k$$

with  $Q$  being the super deRham differential. ◁

In order to define the equivariant integral over the complete intersections, one proceeds schematically as follows:

$$\int_{\{s_a=0\}}^{eqvr} \pi^* \omega \rightarrow \int_{\mathbb{C}^{n+1} \times (\Pi \mathbb{C})^\ell} P(\sigma) \rightarrow \int d\sigma \frac{P(\sigma) \dots}{\sigma(\sigma - \varepsilon_1) \dots}$$

The difference to before is now that the integration over  $(\Pi \mathbb{C})^\ell$  can give contributions to the numerator.

**Example 13** (fundamental line bundle over  $\mathbb{CP}^n$ ). Consider  $\mathbb{CP}^n$ . We can construct a holomorphic line bundle  $\mathcal{O}(k)$  of degree  $k$  as follows: Consider charts  $U_i$  where  $z_i \neq 0$ . Then we define the transition functions of the line bundle  $\mathcal{O}(k)$  by

$$g_{\alpha\beta}([z]) = \left( \frac{z_\alpha}{z_\beta} \right)^k,$$

defined on  $U_{\alpha\beta} = U_\alpha \cap U_\beta$  where  $z_\alpha, z_\beta \neq 0$ . In particular, for  $n = 1$  we have

$$g_{01}(z_0, z_1) = \left( \frac{z_0}{z_1} \right)^k,$$

defined on  $U_{01} = \mathbb{C}^*$ . If we use the standard coordinate  $z = z_1/z_0$  on  $U_0$  and  $w = z_0/z_1$  on  $U_1$ , then we see that the transition function is given by

$$w = z^{-k}.$$

Note that if we define  $\mathcal{O}(1) \equiv \mathcal{L}$ , then  $\mathcal{O}(k) = \mathcal{L}^k$ .

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Let now  $s \in \Gamma\mathcal{L}$  and consider the equation  $s = 0$ . This corresponds to eliminating one coordinate, we are thus led to the study of  $\mathbb{CP}^{n-1}$ .

The equivariant integration gives then

$$\int_{\{s=0\} \subseteq \mathbb{CP}^n}^{eqvr} \rightarrow \int_{\mathbb{C}^{n+1} \times \Pi\mathbb{C}} \rightarrow \int d\sigma \frac{P(\sigma)\sigma}{\sigma^{n+1}}$$

where the denominator  $\sigma^{-(n+1)}$  is the equivariant volume of  $\mathbb{C}^{n+1}$  and the *numerator*  $\sigma$  comes from the integration of the odd fiber  $\Pi\mathbb{C}$ . We observe that the integral is independent of the section and that only its degree matters. For example, if we would have taken  $s \in \mathcal{L}^2$  and considered  $s = 0$  (amounts to the equation  $z_j^2 = 0$ ) then we would have encountered

$$\int_{\{s=0\} \subseteq \mathbb{CP}^n}^{eqvr} \rightarrow \int d\sigma \frac{P(\sigma)(2\sigma)}{\sigma^{n+1}}.$$

The factor of 2 in the denominator can be interpreted as the weight of the  $U(1)$ -action on the super-variables  $\pi, \bar{\pi} \in \Pi\mathbb{C}$ . ◀

### 3 Quasi maps $\mathbb{CP}^1 \rightarrow \mathbb{CP}^n$

#### 3.1 Quasi maps and frackles

We are interested in the study of holomorphic maps

$$\mathbb{CP}^1 \rightarrow \mathbb{CP}^n.$$

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We denote homogeneous coordinates on the source  $\mathbb{CP}^1$  by  $[z_0, z_1]$  and on the target  $\mathbb{CP}^n$  by  $[\phi_0, \dots, \phi_n]$ . Given a map  $F: \mathbb{CP}^1 \rightarrow \mathbb{CP}^n$  we thus have components

$$\phi_i = F^i(z_0, z_1).$$

If the  $F^i$  would be arbitrary functions, however, we would get simply a map into  $\mathbb{C}^{n+1}$ . In order to get a map into  $\mathbb{CP}^n$  we would like to quotient by an  $\mathbb{C}^*$ -action. The maps  $F^i$  therefore have to be taken equivariantly with respect to the usual  $\mathbb{C}^*$  actions on  $\mathbb{C}^2$  and  $\mathbb{C}^{n+1}$ , that is

$$F^i(\lambda z_0, \lambda z_1) = \lambda^d F^i(z_0, z_1).$$

We therefore will take the  $F^i$  to be homogeneous polynomials in  $[z_0, z_1]$  of degree  $d$ . The  $F^i$  therefore admit an expansion of the form

$$F^i = \sum_{k=0}^d A_k^i z_0^k z_1^{d-k}. \tag{7}$$

Those maps, however, do not quite define a map from  $\mathbb{CP}^1 \rightarrow \mathbb{CP}^n$ : the problem, which may arise, is best understood geometrically. A map from  $\mathbb{CP}^1 \rightarrow \mathbb{CP}^n$  is a map between lines in  $\mathbb{C}^2$  and  $\mathbb{C}^{n+1}$ . As follows from the discussion above, a line  $\ell = t[z_0, z_1] \in \mathbb{C}^2$  is sent to a line  $L = F(\ell) = t^d[F^0(z_0, z_1), \dots, F^n(z_0, z_1)] \in \mathbb{C}^{n+1}$ . Suppose now that  $F(\ell) = 0$ . Then  $F(\ell)$  does not define a point in  $\mathbb{CP}^n$  because  $0 \in \mathbb{C}^{n+1}$  *does not* define a line in  $\mathbb{C}^{n+1}$ . We would like to discard those bad cases. Therefore, a holomorphic map  $\mathbb{CP}^1 \rightarrow \mathbb{CP}^n$  of degree  $d$  is given by a set of homogeneous polynomials  $F^i(z_0, z_1)$  such that

$$\forall (z_0, z_1) \exists i \text{ such that } F^i(z_0, z_1) \neq 0. \quad (8)$$

Let  $\mathcal{M}_d$  be the space of all such maps, i.e. the space of holomorphic maps from  $\mathbb{CP}^1$  to  $\mathbb{CP}^n$ . Notice that by (7) such a map  $F \in \mathcal{M}_d$  is completely defined by the coefficients  $A_k^i \in \mathbb{C} - \{0\}$  up to an action of  $\mathbb{C}^*$ . Therefore, if we recall that  $i = 0, \dots, n$  and  $k = 0, \dots, d$ , we see that  $\mathcal{M}_d$  is an *open subspace* of the projective space  $\mathbb{CP}^{(n+1)(d+1)-1}$ . It is only a *subspace*, because not all points  $\{A_k^i\} \in \mathbb{CP}^{(n+1)(d+1)-1}$  give rise to such a map.

**Counter example.** We consider the case  $n = d = 1$ , that is we consider degree 1 maps  $F = (F^1, F^2): \mathbb{CP}^1 \rightarrow \mathbb{CP}^1$ . Given a matrix

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} A_0^0 & A_1^0 \\ A_0^1 & A_1^1 \end{pmatrix} \leftrightarrow (A_0^0, A_1^0, A_0^1, A_1^1) \equiv [w_0, w_1, w_2, w_3] \in \mathbb{CP}^3$$

we define the map

$$F_A(z_0, z_1) = \begin{pmatrix} F^1(z_0, z_1) \\ F^2(z_0, z_1) \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} w_0 z_0 + w_1 z_1 \\ w_2 z_0 + w_3 z_1 \end{pmatrix}.$$

Now, in order to construct a counter example we need to choose  $[w_0, \dots, w_3] \in \mathbb{CP}^3$  in such a way that there exists a point  $[z_0, z_1] \in \mathbb{CP}^1$  such that both components of  $F$ , that is  $F^1$  and  $F^2$ , vanish simultaneously. This is achieved for example for the choice

$$[w_0, w_1, w_2, w_3] = [1, w_1, w_2, w_1 w_2].$$

Indeed, at the point  $[z_0, z_1] = [-w_1 z_1, z_1] \in \mathbb{CP}^1$ , we have

$$F(-w_1 z_1, z_1) = \begin{pmatrix} -w_1 z_1 + w_1 z_1 \\ -w_1 w_2 z_1 + w_1 w_2 z_1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}.$$

Therefore  $F_A \notin \mathcal{M}_d$ .

Note that the essential property of  $F_A$  is that the  $F^i$  share a common factor: (which turns out to be  $F^0$ )

$$\begin{aligned} F^0(z_0, z_1) &= z_0 + w_1 z_1, \\ F^1(z_0, z_1) &= w_2 z_0 + w_3 z_1 = w_2 F^0(z_0, z_1), \end{aligned}$$

where we recall that  $A$  was chosen such that  $w_0 = 1$  and  $w_3 = w_1 w_2$ . Therefore, at the zero of  $F^0$ ,  $(z_0, z_1) = (-w_1 z_1, z_1)$  both  $F^i$  vanish simultaneously.  $\blacktriangleleft$

More generally, suppose that  $A \in \mathbb{CP}^{(n+1)(d+1)-1}$  gives rise to a map  $F_A = (F^0, \dots, F^n)$  in such a way that the  $F^i$  share a common factor  $P$ , say a degree  $k$  polynomial:

$$F^i(z_0, z_1) = P(z_0, z_1) \tilde{F}^i(z_0, z_1), \quad \forall i$$

where the  $\tilde{F}^i$  do not share a common factor among them. Then, the zeros of  $P$  are points where *all* the  $F^i$  vanish. Therefore,  $F_A$  does not satisfy the condition (8) and hence is not an element of  $\mathcal{M}_d$ .

One can compactify  $\mathcal{M}_d$  by simply relaxing the condition (8), i.e. by allowing the  $F^i$  to share a common factor. We then come to the following

**Definition 3.1** (quasi-maps). The space of *quasi-maps*  $\mathcal{QM}$  is the set of all maps

$$\mathcal{QM}_d := \{F = (F^0, \dots, F^n) \mid F^i = \text{cmplx. hom. degree } d \text{ polynomial}\} / \sim$$

where the equivalence relation is given by  $F \sim \lambda F$  for  $\lambda \in \mathbb{C}^*$

This gives a compactification of  $\mathcal{M}_d$  to  $\overline{\mathcal{M}}_d = \mathbb{CP}^{(n+1)(d+1)-1}$ . In particular, the space of quasi-maps is a complex projective space and hence we can calculate use the techniques developed earlier to calculate its equivariant cohomology, equivariant volume and other interesting quantities like its intersection theory.

### 3.2 Freckles

Recall that in  $\mathcal{QM}_d$  there exists maps  $F$  such that the  $F^i$  share a common factor  $P$ . Suppose that  $P$  has degree  $k$ . Since it is a complex-valued polynomial, it can be factorized:

$$P = c \prod_{j=1}^k (z_1 - b_j z_0),$$

where  $c$  is some overall constant.

**Remark 24** ( $b_k$  as roots of  $P$ ). In the chart  $z_0 \neq 0$ , then

$$P = cz_0^k \prod_{j=1}^k \left( \frac{z_1}{z_0} - b_j \right) = cz_0^k \prod_{j=1}^k (z - b_j).$$

Therefore, the  $b_j$  are just the roots of the polynomial  $P$ .  $\triangleleft$

The roots  $b_k$  are precisely the points where  $F$  is not-well defined as a map.

**Definition 3.2.** The roots  $b^i \in \mathbb{CP}^1$  of  $P$  are called *freckles*. A map  $F$  such that the  $F^i$  share a common factor is called a *freckled map*.

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Note that if  $\mathcal{P}_k$  denotes the space of homogeneous polynomials of degree  $k$ , then  $\mathcal{QM}_d$  admits a stratification

$$\mathcal{QM}_d = \mathcal{M}_d \cup (\mathcal{M}_{d-1} \times P_1) \cup \dots \cup (\mathcal{M}_0 \times P_d)$$

where maps in  $\mathcal{M}_0 \times P_d$  are of the form  $F^i = cP$  for all  $i = 0, \dots, n$ .

**claim:** The space of freckled maps  $\mathcal{F} \subseteq \mathcal{QM}_d$  has  $\text{codim}_{\mathbb{C}} = (n+1)(d+1) - 1 - d(n+1) = n$ .

**Example 14** (low  $n$ ). If  $n = 0$ , and we are studying quasi-maps from  $\mathbb{CP}^1$  into  $\mathbb{CP}^0 = pt$ , then the codimension of the space of freckles is 0, which means that every point in the source  $\mathbb{CP}^1$  is a freckle.

If  $n = 1$ , that and we are studying quasi-maps from  $\mathbb{CP}^1$  into  $\mathbb{CP}^1$ , then the (complex) codimension of the space of freckles is 1 thus its dimension is 0 and hence it is a collection of a bunch of points, that is a divisor on the source  $\mathbb{CP}^1$ . ◀

### 3.3 Evaluation maps and quantum cohomology

There exists evaluation maps

$$\begin{aligned} ev_i: \mathcal{QM} \setminus \mathcal{F} \times \underbrace{\mathbb{CP}^1 \times \dots \times \mathbb{CP}^1}_{k\text{-times}} &\rightarrow \mathbb{CP}^n \\ (F, (p_1, \dots, p_k)) &\mapsto F(z_0(p_i), z_1(p_i)) \end{aligned}$$

which evaluates the quasi-map at the  $i$ -th factor of  $\mathbb{CP}^1 \times \dots \times \mathbb{CP}^1$ .

Now, we can take  $k$  cohomology classes  $\Omega_1, \dots, \Omega_k \in H^\bullet(\mathbb{CP}^n)$  and pull them back via the evaluation maps. One can then define

$$\left\langle \mathcal{O}^{(0)}(\Omega_1) \dots \mathcal{O}^{(0)}(\Omega_k) \right\rangle_q := \sum_{d=0}^{\infty} q^d \int_{\mathcal{M}_d = \mathcal{QM}_d \setminus \mathcal{F}} \prod_{j=1}^k ev_j^*(\Omega_j). \quad (9)$$

Note that  $ev_j^*(\Omega_j)$  defines a differential form on  $\mathcal{QM} \times \mathbb{CP}^1 \times \dots \times \mathbb{CP}^1$ . The notation  $\mathcal{O}^{(0)}(\Omega_j)$  means that one considers only the  $(\bullet, 0, \dots, 0)$ -part of the differential form, i.e. one treats  $\mathcal{O}^{(0)}(\Omega_j)$  as a 0-form on the factor  $\mathbb{CP}^1 \times \dots \times \mathbb{CP}^1$ .

Now, we know that the  $\Omega_j$  are given by polynomials in the Fubini-Study form  $\omega_{FS} \equiv \sigma: \Omega_j \sim P_j(\sigma)$ . By the operation (9), we therefore get map

$$\text{polynomials} \longrightarrow \mathbb{C}[[q]].$$

This can be seen as a *deformed integral formula* of  $H^\bullet(\mathbb{CP}^n)$ , c.f. (2): for  $q = 0$ , the only contribution comes from  $d = 0$  quasi-maps, that is from constant functions  $\mathbb{CP}^1 \rightarrow \mathbb{CP}^n$ , which are thus just points on  $\mathbb{CP}^n$ . Indeed,  $\mathcal{QM}_0 = \mathbb{CP}^n$ . Therefore, (9) reduces for  $q = 0$  to

$$\left\langle \mathcal{O}^{(0)}(\Omega_1) \dots \mathcal{O}^{(0)}(\Omega_j) \right\rangle_q \xrightarrow{\lim_{q \rightarrow 0}} \int_{\mathbb{CP}^n} P_1(\omega_{FS}) \dots P_k(\omega_{FS}) \sim \oint \frac{d\sigma}{2\pi i} \frac{P_1(\sigma) \dots P_k(\sigma)}{\sigma^{n+1}}.$$

In order to compute  $\langle \dots \rangle_q$ , one must first understand the classes  $ev_j^* \Omega_j \in H^\bullet(\mathcal{QM}_d) = H^\bullet(\mathbb{CP}^{(n+1)(d+1)-1})$ . In particular, in the expression of  $\langle \dots \rangle_q$  one formally integrates over the open manifolds  $\mathcal{QM}_d \setminus \mathcal{F} = \mathcal{M}_d$ . One would like to replace the integration domain by its compactification  $\mathcal{QM}$ . In order to do so, one has to ensure that given a top form in  $H^{top}(\mathbb{CP}^{(n+1)(d+1)-1})$ , one can neglect freckles, that is that one can always find a representative which avoids freckles.

A geometric argument in favor, goes as follows: at the  $i$ -th point, consider a representation of  $\omega_{FS}^{n_i}$  (for some  $n_i \in \mathbb{Z}_+$ ) by a product of delta functions supported on some hyperplanes  $H_{n_i}$ :

$$\omega_{FS}^{n_i} \sim \delta^{\varepsilon_1}(H_1) \wedge \dots \wedge \delta^{\varepsilon_{n_i}}(H_{n_i}).$$

If one pulls  $\omega_{FS}^{n_i}$  back by the evaluation map, one still ends up with a delta function supported on some hyperplane in  $\mathcal{QM}$ . In fact, if the  $j$ -th hyperplane  $H_j \subseteq \mathbb{CP}^n$  is given by  $\alpha_\ell^{(j)}$ , (we denote by  $Z_j$  the homogeneous coordinates in  $\mathbb{CP}^n$ )

$$H_j : \sum_{\ell=0}^n \alpha_\ell^{(j)} Z_\ell = 0,$$

then one finds that  $ev^* \omega_{FS}^{n_i}$  is a delta function supported at the space of solutions of

$$X^{(j)} : \sum_{\ell=0}^n \alpha_\ell^{(j)} F^\ell(z_0(p_i), z_1(p_i)) = \sum_{\ell=0}^n \alpha_\ell^{(j)} \sum_k A_k^\ell z_0^k(p_i) z_1^{d-k}(p_i) = 0,$$

where  $i = 1, \dots, k$  runs through all  $k$ -factors of  $\mathbb{CP}^1$  in  $\mathcal{QM} \times \mathbb{CP}^1 \times \dots \times \mathbb{CP}^1$  and  $j = 1, \dots, n_i$  runs through all  $n_i$  hyperplanes  $H_j$ . It is important to note that all of those equations are *linear in the  $\{A_k^\ell\}$*  i.e. linear in  $\mathcal{QM}$ . They are, however, non-linear in  $z_0$  and  $z_1$ . The hyperplanes  $X^{(j)} \subset \mathcal{QM} = \mathbb{CP}^{(n+1)(d+1)-1}$  intersect in a point in  $\mathcal{QM}$  (or in a line in the space of the  $\{A_k^i\}$  where one then has to factor out  $\mathbb{C}^*$ ). More importantly, they can be freely moved around in such a way that one always avoids freckled maps. It follows that there exists a selection rule:

why?

$$\langle \sigma^{n_1} \dots \sigma^{n_k} \rangle_q = q^d \quad \text{iff} \quad n_1 + \dots + n_k = (n+1)(d+1) - 1. \quad (10)$$



It turns out that (10) defines a commutative associative ring structure such that

$$\langle \sigma^{n_1} \dots \sigma^{n_k} \rangle = q^d = \sum_{m_1, \dots, m_{k-1}} f_{m_1}^{n_1 n_2} f_{m_2}^{m_1 n_3} \dots f_{m_{k-1}}^{m_{k-2} n_k} e^{m_{k-1}}.$$

Here, the  $f_m^{n_1 n_2}$  should be seen as multiplication maps

$$f_m^{n_1 n_2} = \begin{array}{c} n_1 \\ \diagdown \\ \bullet \\ \diagup \\ n_2 \end{array} \text{ --- } m$$

For example, one has

$$\sigma^{n_1} \cdot \sigma^{n_2} = \sum_m f_m^{n_1 n_2} \sigma^m$$

Pictorially, one then has

$$\langle \sigma^{n_1} \dots \sigma^{n_k} \rangle = \begin{array}{ccccccc} & n_2 & n_3 & n_4 & & n_k & \\ & | & | & | & & | & \\ n_1 & \text{---} \bullet & m_1 & \text{---} \bullet & m_2 & \text{---} \bullet & \dots & \bullet & \text{---} m_{k-1} \\ & f & f & f & & f & & f \end{array}$$

and one finds

$$f_m^{n_1 n_2} = \delta_{n_1+n_2, m} + q \delta_{n_1+n_2-n-1, m}$$

## 4 Quasi maps $\Sigma_g \rightarrow \mathbb{CP}^n$

### 4.1 dimension and index theorem

We are interested in the dimension of the space of quasi-maps from a higher genus Riemann surface  $\Sigma_g$  into  $\mathbb{CP}^n$ . Consider the space  $\mathcal{QM}_d(\Sigma_g) = \{X: \Sigma_g \rightarrow \mathbb{CP}^n \mid X \text{ hol}, \deg(X) = d\}$ . Since  $X \in \mathcal{QM}_d(\Sigma_g)$  is holomorphic, it satisfies  $\bar{\partial}X^i = 0$ , for all  $i = 0, \dots, n$ . The only parameter in the game are

- the degree of the map  $d$ ,
- the genus  $g$ .

We therefore make the following ansatz:

$$\dim \mathcal{QM}_d(\Sigma_g) = \gamma + \alpha d + \beta(g-1).$$

Suppose that  $d = 0, g = 0$ , that is we are studying holomorphic maps  $X: \mathbb{CP}^1 \rightarrow \mathbb{CP}^n$  of degree zero. Those maps are constant maps and hence the dimension of the space  $\mathcal{QM}_0(\Sigma_0)$  is equal to the dimension of  $\mathbb{CP}^n$ :

$$\dim \mathcal{QM}_0(\Sigma_0) = \gamma - \beta = n.$$

Next, suppose we study the case  $g = 1, d = 0$ , that is holomorphic maps  $X: S^1 \times S^1 \rightarrow \mathbb{CP}^n$ .

## A toric manifolds: geometric construction using symplectic geometry

Consider again  $\mathbb{CP}^n$ . Let  $\{z_0, \dots, z_n\}$  be coordinates on  $\mathbb{C}^{n+1}$  and

$$\omega = \sum_{i=0}^n dz_i \wedge d\bar{z}_i.$$

Consider the  $U(1)$ -action (here all coordinates transform with the same weight / charge)

$$z_k \mapsto e^{i\varphi} z_k$$

whose fundamental vector field is given by

$$v = i \sum_k (z_k \partial_k - \bar{z}_k \bar{\partial}_k).$$

The Hamiltonian for this action is given by

$$\iota_v \omega = d \left( \frac{i}{2} \sum_k |z_k|^2 \right) = dH(z).$$

Study the hyperplane

$$H_R(z) = H(z) - R^2 = 0, \quad R \in \mathbb{R}_+$$

Then the preimage  $H_R^{-1}(0)$  are spheres  $S^{2n+1}$  of radius  $R$ , and

$$H_R^{-1}(0)/U(1) = S^{2n+1}/U(1).$$

In the case  $n = 1$  one has

$$S^3/U(1) = S^2 \quad \text{Hopf fibration.}$$

However, for  $n > 1$ , one does in general not get spheres  $S^{2n}$  after the (symplectic) reduction.

**Claim:** After reduction one gets  $\mathbb{CP}^n$ , i.e.

$$\left\{ \sum_{i=0}^n |z_i|^2 = 1 \right\} / U(1) \cong \mathbb{C}^{n+1} - \{0\} / \mathbb{C}^*$$

Note that on the left hand side one quotients by a compact group, while on the right hand side on quotients by a *non*-compact group.

*c.f. Donaldson.* In consider  $H_1^{-1}(0) \subseteq \mathbb{C}^{n+1}$ . This hyperplane is preserved by the flow of the vector field

$$v = \sum_k z_k \partial_k - \bar{z}_k \bar{\partial}_k$$

which generates the action of  $U(1)$  on  $\mathbb{C}^{n+1}$ . Now, consider the vector field

$$u = \sum_k z_k \partial_k + \bar{z}_k \bar{\partial}_k$$

which is the Euler vector field which is (together with  $v$ ) generating the action of  $\mathbb{C}^*$  on  $\mathbb{C}^{n+1}$ . Consider the flow of  $\alpha v + \beta u$ : since for  $H(z) = \sum |z_k|^2$

$$\mathcal{L}_v H = 0, \quad \mathcal{L}_u H = H > 0$$

the function  $H_R(z)$  grows monotonically under the flow of  $u$ . However, for  $z = 0$ ,  $H_R$  is negative, while for big enough  $|z_k|$ ,  $H_R$  is positive. Due to the monotonic growths,  $H_R(z)$  must cross zero in exactly one point, i.e. there exists a unique intersection point for any non-trivial  $\mathbb{C}^*$ -orbit (any but the one through  $0 \in \mathbb{C}^{n+1}$ ) with  $H_R^{-1}(0)$ :

*picture*

Therefore

$$\mathbb{C}^{n+1} - \{0\} / \mathbb{C}^* \cong \{H(z) = 1\} / U(1)$$

□

This establishes in particular  $\mathbb{CP}^n$  as the symplectic reduction of  $\mathbb{C}^{n+1}$  under the (diagonal)  $U(1)$ -action.

**Definition A.1.** A *toric manifold* is the manifold obtained by a symplectic reduction  $\mathbb{C}^n // U(1)^k$ , where  $U(1)^k$  acts on  $\mathbb{C}^n$  with different weights / charges.

The Hamiltonians of the  $U(1)^k$  action look like

$$H_i = \sum_{a=1}^n q_i^a |z_a|^2 - D_i, \quad i = 1, \dots, k, \quad D_i \in \mathbb{R}_{\geq 0}$$

where for  $D = 0$  one obtains a singular space.

**Example 15** ( $k = 1 : \mathbb{C}^{n+1} // U(1)$ ). Consider  $\mathbb{C}^{n+1} // U(1)$ , where  $U(1)$  acts with weights all equal to 1.

For  $n = 1$ , one has with  $z_a = r_a e^{i\varphi_a}$

$$H(z) = |z_0|^2 + |z_1|^2 - D = r_0^2 + r_1^2 - D.$$

We want to study  $\{H(z) = 0\} / U(1)$ . Here  $U(1)$  acts (diagonally) by shifting the angles:  $\varphi_a \rightarrow \varphi_a + \psi$ . Pictorially,  $H(z) = 0$  looks like in Figure 2. Note that in addition to the coordinates  $r_0, r_1$  one has two angle coordinates  $\varphi_0, \varphi_1$  which have to be considered modulo  $U(1)$ , which acts by simultaneous shifts:  $\varphi_a \mapsto \varphi_a + \psi$ . In the region where  $r_0, r_1 \neq 0$ , this reduces the number of “free

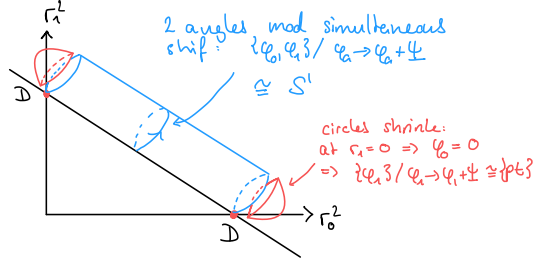


Figure 2:  $\mathbb{CP}^1$  as a toric manifold

angle coordinates” to one. One therefore has a  $S^1$  over each point  $(r_0, r_1) \neq (0, 0)$  which gives the shape of an cylinder, c.f. Figure 2. At the special points  $r_0 = 0$  resp.  $r_1 = 0$ , however, the angle  $\varphi_0$  resp.  $\varphi_1$  degenerates (is ill-defined) and hence one has only one angle coordinate which can always be fixed by the  $U(1)$  action. Therefore, the circle degenerates to a point. That is (topologically) the same as attaching a disk, c.f. Figure 2. Hence, topologically one finds

$$\mathbb{C}^2 // U(1) = \mathbb{C}^* \cup \{pt\} \cup \{pt\} \simeq \mathbb{CP}^1.$$

◀

**Example 16** ( $k = 1 : \mathbb{C}^2 // U(1)$ ). Consider the  $U(1)$  action on  $\mathbb{C}^2$  with charges  $\{\pm 1\}$ , that is the Hamiltonian takes the form

$$H(z) = |z_0|^2 - |z_1|^2 - D = r_0^2 - r_1^2 - D.$$

Then,

$$H^{-1}(0) = \{r_0^2 - r_1^2 = D\}.$$

The same analysis as before, c.f. Figure 3 shows that in this case there is just one vanishing cycle and hence topologically one has

$$\mathbb{C}^2 // U(1)_{(+1, -1)} = \mathbb{C}^* \cup \{0\} = \mathbb{C}.$$

◀

**Example 17** ( $k = 1 : \mathbb{C}^3 // U(1)$ ). Consider now  $\mathbb{C}^3 // U(1)$  where  $U(1)$  acts with weights  $(1, 1, 1)$ . The Hamiltonian thus looks like

$$H(z) = r_1^2 + r_2^2 + r_3^2$$

and (setting  $\rho_i = r_i^2$ )

$$H^{-1}(0) = \{\rho_1 + \rho_2 + \rho_3 = D\}.$$

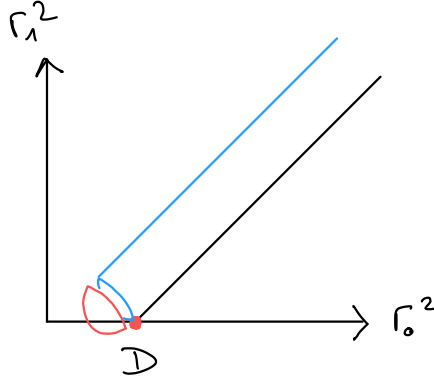


Figure 3: The toric manifold  $\mathbb{C}^2/U(1)$  where  $U(1)$  acts with weights  $(+1, -1)$ .

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Now consider the weight vector  $(1, 1, -1)$ , such that the Hamiltonian reads

$$H(z) = r_1^2 + r_2^2 - r_3^2$$

and

$$H^{-1}(0) = \{\rho_1 + \rho_2 - \rho_3 = D\}.$$

There are now two cases:  $D > 0$  and  $D < 0$ . ◀

## B toric manifolds: combinatorial construction using fans

For an excellent review see these [lecture notes](#).

### B.1 basic definitions

Let  $\Lambda \cong \mathbb{Z}^m$  a lattice and  $\Lambda_{\mathbb{R}} = \Lambda \otimes \mathbb{R}$  the vector space over  $\mathbb{R}$  generated by generators of  $\Lambda$ .

**Definition B.1** (cone). A *strongly convex rational polyhedral cone*  $\sigma \subset \Lambda_{\mathbb{R}}$  is a set

$$\sigma = \left\{ \sum_i a_i v_i \mid a_i \geq 0 \right\}, \quad \sigma \cap (-\sigma) = \{0\} \text{ (strong convexity)}$$

generated by a finite set of vectors  $\{v_i\}_{i=1}^N \subset \Lambda$ . A *face*  $\tau$  is a cone generated by a subset  $\{v_i\}_{i=1}^k$ . We write  $\tau < \sigma$ .

**Definition B.2.** A *fan* is a collection  $\Delta$  of cones in  $\Lambda_{\mathbb{R}}$  such that

1. each face of a cone in  $\Delta$  is also a cone in  $\Delta$
2. if  $\tau = \sigma \cap \sigma'$  then  $\tau < \sigma$  and  $\tau < \sigma'$ , i.e. the intersection of two cones in  $\Delta$  is a face of each.

We call  $\Delta(1)$  the set of one-dimensional cones in  $\Lambda_{\mathbb{R}}$ .

Let  $\Delta$  be a fan. We denote the vectors  $v_1, \dots, v_n \in \Lambda$  corresponding to the edges (one-dimensional cones) in  $\Delta(1)$ . Now, to each  $v_i$  we associate a *homogeneous coordinate*  $z_i$  in  $\mathbb{C}^n$ . Recall that  $\Lambda \cong \mathbb{Z}^m$  and note that we always will have  $n \geq m$ . One can produce a  $m \times n$  matrix (by putting the vectors  $v_i \in \mathbb{Z}^m = \Lambda$  next to each other)

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} v_1^1 & \dots & v_n^1 \\ \vdots & & \vdots \\ v_1^m & \dots & v_n^m \end{pmatrix} = (v_1, \dots, v_n), \quad v_i = \begin{pmatrix} v_i^1 \\ \vdots \\ v_i^m \end{pmatrix}. \quad (11)$$

This gives a map

$$\begin{aligned} \phi: \mathbb{C}^n &\rightarrow \mathbb{C}^m \\ (z_1, \dots, z_n) &\mapsto \left( \prod_{i=1}^n z_i^{v_i^1}, \dots, \prod_{i=1}^n z_i^{v_i^m} \right). \end{aligned} \quad (12)$$

We set

$$G = \ker(\phi) \cong (\mathbb{C}^*)^{n-m} \quad (13)$$

**Remark 25** (about  $\ker \phi$  and charge vectors). If we set  $Q_i = \log z_i$  then  $\ker \phi$  can be computed as follows: we compute  $AQ$  as a matrix-vector product

$$\begin{aligned} AQ &= \left( \sum_{i=1}^n v_i^1 Q_i, \dots, \sum_{i=1}^n v_i^m Q_i \right)^t \\ &= \left( \sum_{i=1}^n v_i^1 \log z_i, \dots, \sum_{i=1}^n v_i^m \log z_i \right)^t \\ &= \left( \log \prod_i z_i^{v_i^1}, \dots, \log \prod_i z_i^{v_i^m} \right)^t \end{aligned}$$

Thus  $Q \in \ker A$  iff  $\log \prod_i z_i^{v_i^1} = \dots = \log \prod_i z_i^{v_i^m} = 0$  iff  $\prod_i z_i^{v_i^1} = \dots = \prod_i z_i^{v_i^m} = 1$  iff  $(z_1, \dots, z_n) \in \ker \phi$ . Hence  $\ker \phi \cong \ker A \cong (\mathbb{C}^*)^{n-m}$ .  $\triangleleft$

**Example 18** (charge vector I). Let  $\Lambda \cong \mathbb{Z}^2$  and consider the three vectors

$$v_1 = (1, 0), \quad v_2 = (0, 1), \quad v_3 = (-1, -1).$$

Then

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & -1 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 \end{pmatrix}.$$

Let  $Q = (Q_1, Q_2, Q_3)$  then

$$AQ = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & -1 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} Q_1 \\ Q_2 \\ Q_3 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} Q_1 - Q_3 \\ Q_2 - Q_3 \end{pmatrix}.$$

Thus  $Q \in \ker A$  iff  $Q_1 = Q_2 = Q_3$  (not all zero). Hence  $\ker A = \mathbb{C}^* \langle (1, 1, 1) \rangle$ .  $\blacktriangleleft$

**Example 19** (charge vector I). Let again  $\Lambda \cong \mathbb{Z}^2$  and consider the four vectors

$$v_1 = (1, 0), \quad v_2 = (0, 1), \quad v_3 = (-1, -1), \quad v_4 = (1, 1).$$

Then

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & -1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}.$$

Let  $Q = (Q_1, Q_2, Q_3, Q_4)$  then

$$AQ = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & -1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} Q_1 \\ Q_2 \\ Q_3 \\ Q_4 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} Q_1 - Q_3 + Q_4 \\ Q_2 - Q_3 + Q_4 \end{pmatrix}$$

such that  $Q \in \ker A$  iff  $Q_1 = Q_2$  and  $Q_3 = Q_1 + Q_4$ . This means that  $\ker A = \{(q_1, q_1, q_1 + q_2, q_2)\} = \mathbb{C}^* \langle (1, 1, 1, 0), (0, 0, 1, 1) \rangle$ .  $\blacktriangleleft$

Given a basis  $\{Q^a\}$  of  $\ker A$  (which is to give a basis of  $\ker \phi = G$ ) we define an action of  $G$  on  $\mathbb{C}^n$  as follows:

**Definition B.3.**

$$(\mathbb{C}^*)_a: (z_1, \dots, z_n) \mapsto (\lambda^{Q_1^a} z_1, \dots, \lambda^{Q_n^a} z_n) \quad (14)$$

where the  $a$ -th factor  $(\mathbb{C}^*)_a \subset G = (\mathbb{C}^*)^{n-m}$  is the coefficient of the  $a$ -th basis vector  $Q^a$ .

Finally, define the zero set  $Z(\Delta)$  as follows: for any subset  $S \subset \Delta(1)$  which does not span a cone in  $\Delta$ . Then one sets  $V(S) = \{z_{i_1} = \dots = z_{i_\ell} = 0\}$  and sets  $Z(\Delta) = \bigcup_S V(S)$ .

**Definition B.4** (toric variety from a fan).

$$X(\Delta) := (\mathbb{C}^n - Z(\Delta))/G \quad (15)$$

**Remark 26** (orbifold singularities). One also defines a discrete group  $\Gamma = \Lambda/\mathbb{Z} \langle v_i \rangle$  and takes the quotient by  $G \times \Gamma$  instead of only  $G$ . The quotient by  $\Gamma$  gives rise to so-called orbifold singularities.  $\blacktriangleleft$

## B.2 fan of $\mathbb{CP}^1$

Consider  $\Lambda = \mathbb{Z}$  and the fan generated by the two vectors

$$v_1 = 1 \quad v_2 = -1, \quad A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -1 \end{pmatrix}. \quad (16)$$

Note that

$$\Delta = \{\{0\}, v_1, v_2\} \quad (17)$$

since  $\sigma = \{v_1, v_2\}$  is *not* a cone since the strong convexity condition fails:  $\sigma \cap (-\sigma) \neq \{0\}$  since  $v_1 = -v_2$  and hence  $v_1 \in \sigma$  and  $v_1 \in (-\sigma)$ . From here we see readily that there is only one subset of  $\Delta(1)$  which does not span a cone, namely  $\{v_1, v_2\} \subset \Delta(1)$ . Therefore  $Z(\Delta) = \{(0, 0)\}$ .

Next, we compute  $\ker A$ : for  $Q = (Q_1, Q_2)$

$$AQ = 0 \iff Q_1 - Q_2 = 0.$$

Therefore,  $\ker A = \mathbb{C}^* \{(1, 1)\} \cong \mathbb{C}^*$  which induces the usual diagonal  $\mathbb{C}^*$  action on  $\mathbb{C}^2$ :

$$(z_1, z_2) \mapsto (\lambda z_1, \lambda z_2). \quad (18)$$

Therefore

$$X(\Delta) = (\mathbb{C}^2 - (0, 0))/\mathbb{C}^* = \mathbb{CP}^1. \quad (19)$$

## B.3 fan of $\mathbb{CP}^1 \times \mathbb{CP}^1$

Consider  $\Lambda = \mathbb{Z}^2$  and the fan generated by the four vectors

$$v_1 = (1, 0) \quad v_2 = (-1, 0), \quad v_3 = (0, 1) \quad v_4 = (0, -1) \quad A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & -1 \end{pmatrix}. \quad (20)$$

Then

$$\Delta = \{\{0\}, v_i, \{v_1, v_3\}, \{v_1, v_4\}, \{v_2, v_3\}, \{v_2, v_4\}\} \quad (21)$$

Let us construct the zero set  $Z(\Delta)$ . We already know that the sets  $\sigma_1 = \{v_1, v_2\}$  and  $\sigma_2 = \{v_3, v_4\}$  do not span a cone since they fail to satisfy the strong convexity condition  $\sigma \cap (-\sigma) = \{0\}$ . Now any other subset of  $\Delta(1)$  containing  $\sigma_1$  or  $\sigma_2$  will hence also fail to span a cone. Therefore one can conclude that  $Z(\Delta) = \{(0, 0, *, *)\} \cup \{(*, *, 0, 0)\}$ .

Next, we find  $\ker A$ : let  $Q = (Q_1, Q_2, Q_3, Q_4)$ . Then

$$AQ = (Q_1 - Q_2, Q_3 - Q_4) = 0 \iff Q_1 = Q_2 \text{ and } Q_3 = Q_4$$

which implies that  $\ker A = \mathbb{C}^* \langle (1, 1, 0, 0), (0, 0, 1, 1) \rangle$ . We thus have two basis vectors  $Q^a$  of  $\ker A$  which define the action

$$\begin{aligned} Q^1: (z_1, z_2, z_3, z_4) &\mapsto (\lambda z_1, \lambda z_2, z_3, z_4), \\ Q^2: (z_1, z_2, z_3, z_4) &\mapsto (z_1, z_2, \lambda z_3, \lambda z_4) \end{aligned} \quad (22)$$



which give each a diagonal action of  $\mathbb{C}^*$  on one of the  $\mathbb{C}^2$  factors of  $\mathbb{C}^4 = \mathbb{C}^2 \times \mathbb{C}^2$ . It now follows that

$$\begin{aligned} X(\Delta) &= (\mathbb{C}^4 - \{(0, 0, *, *)\} \cup \{(*, *, 0, 0)\})/G \\ &= [(\mathbb{C}^2 - \{(0, 0)\}) \times (\mathbb{C}^2 - \{(0, 0)\})]/\mathbb{C}^* \times \mathbb{C}^* \\ &= [(\mathbb{C}^2 - \{(0, 0)\})/\mathbb{C}^*] \times [(\mathbb{C}^2 - \{(0, 0)\})/\mathbb{C}^*] \\ &= \mathbb{CP}^1 \times \mathbb{CP}^1. \end{aligned} \tag{23}$$

#### B.4 fan of $\mathbb{CP}^2$

Consider  $\Lambda = \mathbb{Z}^2$  and the fan generated by the three vectors of Example 19

$$v_1 = (1, 0), \quad v_2 = (0, 1), \quad v_3 = (-1, -1), \quad v_3 = (1, 1). \tag{24}$$

Then

$$\Delta = \{\{0\}, v_1, v_2, v_3, \{v_1, v_2\}, \{v_1, v_3\}, \{v_2, v_3\}\}. \tag{25} \text{ picture}$$

Note that  $\sigma = \{v_1, v_2, v_3\}$  is not a cone since the strong convexity condition fails:  $\sigma \cap (-\sigma) \neq \{0\}$ . This is seen by considering  $\tau = v_1 + v_3 = (0, -1) = -v_2$ . Then  $\tau \neq \{0\}$  and  $\tau \in \sigma$  and  $\tau \in (-\sigma)$ .

Then by Example (19) we find that  $\ker A = \mathbb{C}^* \langle (1, 1, 1) \rangle$  such that there is a single basis element  $Q = (1, 1, 1)$  and hence  $G$  acts on  $\mathbb{C}^3$  by

$$(z_1, z_2, z_3) \mapsto (\lambda z_1, \lambda z_2, \lambda z_3) \tag{26}$$

which is the usual diagonal  $\mathbb{C}^*$  action. Moreover, since there is just one subset of  $\Delta(1)$  which does not span a cone, namely  $\{v_1, v_2, v_3\} \subset \Delta(1)$ , the zero set  $Z(\Delta)$  is given by  $(0, 0, 0)$ . Hence the toric variety associated to  $\Delta$  is

$$X(\Delta) = (\mathbb{C}^3 - (0, 0, 0))/\mathbb{C}^* = \mathbb{CP}^2. \tag{27}$$

## C toric manifolds: algebrogeometric constructions

Let  $N$  be a lattice (isomorphic to  $\mathbb{Z}^n$  for some  $n$ ) and  $M = N^*$  the dual lattice. For

$$\sigma = \sum_i a_i v_i, \quad a_i \geq 0, \{v_i\} \subset N_{\mathbb{R}} = N \otimes \mathbb{R} \tag{28}$$

a cone define the dual cone by

$$\sigma^\vee = \{aw \mid a \in \mathbb{R}_{\geq 0}, \langle w, u_i \rangle \geq 0 \forall u_i \in \sigma\}. \tag{29}$$

**Lemma C.1.**  $S_\sigma := \sigma^\vee \cap M$  is a finitely generated semigroup<sup>1</sup>.

<sup>1</sup>A *semigroup* is a set with an associative binary operation

For any semigroup  $S$  one can define the group ring  $\mathbb{C}[S]$  which is a commutative algebra over  $\mathbb{C}$ . As a vector space  $\mathbb{C}[S]$  has a basis

$$\{\chi^u \mid u \in S\}$$

and multiplication law

$$\chi^u \chi^{u'} = \chi^{u+u'}, \quad \chi^0 = 1.$$

For any commutative algebra over  $\mathbb{C}$  one can define a space  $X_A = \text{Spec}(A)$ . **Note:** if  $A$  is generated by a set of generators  $\{X_i\}$  plus some relations (given by some ideal  $I \subset A$ ), i.e.

$$A = \mathbb{C}[X_1, \dots, X_m]/I$$

then

$$\text{Spec}(A) = \{V(I) = \text{common zeros of polynomials in } I\}. \quad (30)$$

**Remark 27** (coordinate free description of  $\text{Spec}(A)$ ). For all  $\varphi \in \text{Hom}(A, B)$  one has a morphism  $\varphi^*: \text{Spec}(B) \rightarrow \text{Spec}(A)$ . We define closed points  $x$  in  $A$  by homomorphisms  $\text{Hom}(A, \mathbb{C})$ . Thus a point  $x \in A$  induces a map  $x^*: \text{Spec}(\mathbb{C}) \rightarrow \text{Spec}(A)$ , where  $\text{Spec}(\mathbb{C})$  is a point since the only ideals of  $\mathbb{C}$  (which is a field) are  $\{0\}$  and  $\mathbb{C}$  itself, since any ideal necessarily contains 1<sup>2</sup>. Now,  $\text{Spec}(A)$  is defined to be the set of all prime ideals (an ideal  $\mathfrak{p} \neq (1) \subset A$  such that  $A/\mathfrak{p}$  is an integral domain (no zero divisors)). Hence  $\text{Spec}(\mathbb{C}) = \{0\}$ . The upshot is that points of  $\text{Spec}(A)$  are defined by homomorphisms  $\text{Hom}(A, \mathbb{C})$ . In particular, for  $S$  a semigroup and  $A = \mathbb{C}[S]$  it group ring, points are given by homomorphisms  $\text{Hom}(S, \mathbb{C})$  where  $\mathbb{C} = \mathbb{C}^* \cup \{0\}$  is a semigroup with respect to multiplication: for  $u \in S$  and  $x \in \text{Hom}(S, \mathbb{C})$  we define a map  $\chi^u \in \text{Hom}(\mathbb{C}[S], \mathbb{C})$  by

$$\chi^u(x) = x(u). \quad (31)$$

Therefore,  $\text{Hom}(S, \mathbb{C})$  describes points in  $\text{Spec}(\mathbb{C}[S])$ .  $\triangleleft$

**Example 20** (Obtaining the torus  $(\mathbb{C}^*)^n$  from the trivial cone  $\sigma = \{0\}$ ). Let  $N = \mathbb{Z} \langle e_1, \dots, e_n \rangle$  where  $e_i$  is the standard  $i$ -th basis vector of  $\mathbb{R}^n$ . Let  $M = N^* = \mathbb{Z} \langle e_1^*, \dots, e_n^* \rangle$  be the dual lattice. Consider the cone  $\sigma = \{0\}$  such that  $S_\sigma = \sigma^\vee \cap M = M$  (since  $\sigma^\vee = M$ ). Note that as a semigroup  $S_{\{0\}}$  is generated by  $\pm e_i^*$  such that

$$\mathbb{C}[S_{\{0\}}] = \mathbb{C}[X_1^{\pm 1} = \chi^{\pm e_1^*}, \dots, X_n^{\pm 1} = \chi^{\pm e_n^*}] \quad (32)$$

which is the ring of Laurent polynomials. Here the ideal of relations is trivial:  $I = 0$ . Therefore,

$$U_{\{0\}} := \text{Spec}(\mathbb{C}[S_{\{0\}}]) = (\mathbb{C}^*)^n. \quad (33)$$

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<sup>2</sup>if  $z \in I \subset \mathbb{C}$  then  $z^{-1} \cdot z = 1 \in I$  thus  $1 \in I$ .

The last equality is seen as follows: if we introduce coordinates  $X_i = \chi^{e_i^*}$  and  $Y_i = \chi^{-e_i^*}$  then

$$\mathbb{C}[S_{\{0\}}] = \mathbb{C}[X_i, Y_i] / \langle X_i Y_i - 1 \rangle. \quad (34)$$

We thus have a set of generators and relations and the common zeros of  $I = \langle X_i Y_i - 1 \rangle$  are equivalent to  $X_i Y_i = 1$  which means that  $X_i \neq 0$  and  $Y_i = X_i^{-1}$ . Thus  $\text{Spec}(\mathbb{C}[S_{\{0\}}]) \cong (\mathbb{C}^*)^n$ .  $\blacktriangleleft$

**Example 21** (getting  $\mathbb{C}^n$ ). Let  $N = \mathbb{Z}^n$  and

$$\sigma = \mathbb{Z} \langle e_1, \dots, e_n \rangle.$$

Then

$$\sigma^\vee = \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0} \langle e_1^*, \dots, e_n^* \rangle$$

such that

$$S_\sigma = \sigma^\vee \cap M = \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0} \langle e_1^*, \dots, e_n^* \rangle.$$

Therefore, with  $X_i = \chi^{e_i^*}$  we find

$$\mathbb{C}[S_\sigma] = \mathbb{C}[X_1, \dots, X_n]$$

which implies that

$$U_\sigma = \text{Spec}(\mathbb{C}[S_\sigma]) = \mathbb{C}^n.$$

Note that here we used the fact that the prime ideals of  $\mathbb{C}[X]$  are of the form  $x - a$  for  $a \in \mathbb{C}$  and hence  $\text{Spec}(\mathbb{C}[X]) = \mathbb{C}$ .  $\blacktriangleleft$

## C.1 gluing coordinate patches

Every face,  $\tau < \sigma$  implies that  $S_\sigma \subset S_\tau$ . This in turn implies that  $\mathbb{C}[S_\sigma] \subset \mathbb{C}[S_\tau]$  is a subalgebra and hence we have an inclusion  $U_\tau = \text{Spec}(\mathbb{C}[S_\tau]) \subset U_\sigma$ . This means that we can glue the  $U_\sigma$  to a variety!

**Example 22** (gluing  $\mathbb{CP}^1$ ). Consider the fan  $\Delta = \{0, e_1, -e_1\}$  and the cones  $\sigma_\pm = \langle \pm e_1 \rangle$  and  $\sigma_0 = \{0\}$ . We already have seen that

$$U_{\{0\}} = \mathbb{C}^* \quad (35)$$

$$U_{\sigma_\pm} = \mathbb{C}. \quad (36)$$

Now since  $\{0\}$  is (trivially) a face of all cones in a fan, we have  $\{0\} < \sigma_\pm$  and hence  $U_{\{0\}} \subset U_{\sigma_\pm}$  as is clear from (35) and (36). As coordinates, we have  $z^{\pm 1} = \chi^{\pm e_1}$  on  $U_{\sigma_\pm}$ . Now let  $\tau = \sigma_+ \cap \sigma_-$  be a common face. Then we can glue  $U_{\sigma_+}$  and  $U_{\sigma_-}$  along  $U_\tau$ . Here  $\tau = \{0\}$  and hence we glue  $U_{\sigma_+}$  and  $U_{\sigma_-}$  along  $U_{\{0\}} = \mathbb{C}^*$ . The transition function is simply given by

$$U_{\{0\}} = \mathbb{C}^* \ni z = \chi^{e_1} \mapsto w = \chi^{-e_1} = z^{-1} \in \mathbb{C}^* = U_{\{0\}}. \quad (37)$$

This is but the well-known gluing of coordinate patches of  $S^2 = \mathbb{CP}^1$ .  $\blacktriangleleft$

**Example 23** (gluing  $\mathbb{CP}^2$ ). Let  $N = \mathbb{Z}\langle e_1, e_2 \rangle$  and  $M = N^* = \langle e_1^*, e_2^* \rangle$ . Consider the fan

$$\Delta = \langle 0, e_1, e_2, -e_1 - e_2 \rangle. \quad (38)$$

Consider the cones

$$\sigma_1 = \langle e_1, e_2 \rangle, \quad \sigma_2 = \langle e_1, -e_1 - e_2 \rangle, \quad \sigma_3 = \langle e_2, -e_1 - e_2 \rangle \quad (39)$$

To determine  $U_{\sigma_1}$  we note that  $\sigma_1^\vee = \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0} \langle e_1^*, e_2^* \rangle$  such that

$$S_{\sigma_1} = \sigma_1^\vee \cap M = \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0} \langle e_1^*, e_2^* \rangle. \quad (40)$$

Hence

$$\mathbb{C}[S_{\sigma_1}] = \mathbb{C}[X_1, X_2] \implies U_{\sigma_1} = \mathbb{C}^2(z_1, z_2), \quad (41)$$

where  $\mathbb{C}^2(z, w)$  denotes  $\mathbb{C}^2$  with coordinates  $(z, w)$ . Next, note that

$$\sigma_2^\vee = \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0} \langle -e_2, e_1 - e_2 \rangle. \quad (42)$$

Then

$$S_{\sigma_2} = \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0} \langle -e_2, e_1 - e_2 \rangle \quad (43)$$

such that

$$\mathbb{C}[S_{\sigma_2}] = \mathbb{C}[X_1 X_2^{-1}, X_2^{-1}] \implies U_{\sigma_2} = \mathbb{C}^2(z_1 z_2^{-1}, z_2^{-1}). \quad (44)$$

Finally, for  $U_{\sigma_3}$  we find the same as for  $U_{\sigma_2}$  but with  $z_1$  and  $z_2$  exchanged, that is

$$U_{\sigma_3} = \mathbb{C}^2(z_1^{-1} z_2, z_1^{-1}). \quad (45)$$

We can now glue  $U_{\sigma_1}$  and  $U_{\sigma_2}$  along  $U_\tau$  where  $\tau = \sigma_1 \cap \sigma_2 = \langle e_1 \rangle$ . Then

$$\tau^\vee = \langle e_1, \pm e_2 \rangle \implies S_\tau = \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0} \langle e_1, \pm e_2 \rangle \implies U_\tau = \mathbb{C}(z_1) \times \mathbb{C}^*(z_2). \quad (46)$$

The transition function is thus given by

$$(z_1, z_2) \mapsto (z_1 z_2^{-1}, z_2^{-1}) \quad (47)$$

Likewise one can compute the transition functions between  $U_{\sigma_1}$  and  $U_{\sigma_3}$  and between  $U_{\sigma_2}$  and  $U_{\sigma_3}$ .

Compare this to the well-known construction of  $\mathbb{CP}^2$  with homogeneous coordinates  $[t_0 : t_1 : t_2]$  and charts  $U_i$  for  $z_i \neq 0$  with affine coordinates

$$\begin{aligned} U_0 : & \quad (t_1/t_0, t_2/t_0) = (z_1, z_2) \\ U_1 : & \quad (t_0/t_1, t_2/t_1) = (z_1^{-1}, z_2 z_1^{-1}) \\ U_2 : & \quad (t_0/t_2, t_1/t_2) = (z_2^{-1}, z_1 z_2^{-1}) \end{aligned}$$

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## D About the notion of section

**The “analytic” definition.** Let  $E \rightarrow M$  be a vector bundle over  $M$  with fiber  $V$ . A *section* of  $E$  is a set of functions  $s = \{s_\alpha: U_\alpha \rightarrow V \mid s_\alpha = g_{\alpha\beta}s_\beta\}$  where  $g_{\alpha\beta}: U_{\alpha\beta} \rightarrow G$  are the transition functions of  $E$ . Here and henceforth,  $U_{\alpha\beta} = U_\alpha \cap U_\beta$ . For line bundles,  $V = \mathbb{C}$ , if  $s^{(1)}$  and  $s^{(2)}$  are two sections, then

$$\frac{s_\alpha^{(1)}}{s_\alpha^{(2)}} = \frac{g_{\alpha\beta}s_\beta^{(1)}}{g_{\alpha\beta}s_\beta^{(2)}} = \frac{s_\beta^{(1)}}{s_\beta^{(2)}}.$$

Therefore, the ratio of two sections agree on any overlap  $U_{\alpha\beta}$  and therefore form a *function*.

**The “algebraic geometry” definition.** Let  $P_d(z_0, \dots, z_n)$  be a homogeneous polynomial of degree  $d$ . We may ask ourselves what is the *geometric meaning* of  $P_d$ ? How is the polynomial related to  $\mathbb{CP}^n$ ?

$P_d$  is of course not invariant under the (diagonal)  $\mathbb{C}^*$  action on  $\mathbb{C}^{n+1}$ . If it were, then it would descent to a function on  $\mathbb{CP}^n$ . However, since  $P_d$  is homogeneous, it is an equivariant object, namely

$$P_d(\lambda z_0, \dots, \lambda z_n) = \lambda^d P_d(z_0, \dots, z_n).$$

Let  $U_i = \mathbb{CP}^n - \{z_i = 0\} = \{(z_0, \dots, z_n) \mid z_i \neq 0\}$  a standard chart of  $\mathbb{CP}^n$  with non-homogeneous coordinates  $x_{(i)}^j = z^j/z^i$ . On  $U_i$  we can rewrite  $P_d$  as follows:

$$P_d(z_0, \dots, z_n) = (z^i)^d P_d^{(i)}(x_{(i)}^j)$$

where  $P_d^{(i)}(x_{(i)}^j)$  is a *function* on  $U_i$ , while  $(z^i)^d$  is *not*. The collection  $\{(z^i)^d\}$ , however, form a *free module* for the ring of polynomials on  $U_i$ ,  $\mathbb{C}[x_{(i)}^j]$ . On the overlap  $U_{ij}$ , we have

$$P_d(z_0, \dots, z_n) = (z^j)^d P_d^{(j)}(x_{(j)}^k) = (z^i)^d P_d^{(i)}(x_{(i)}^\ell).$$

Therefore, the ratio  $(z^i/z^j)^d$  defines a *function* on the overlap  $U_{ij}$ . Moreover, since on  $U_{ij}$ ,  $z^i, z^j \neq 0$ , we know that  $(z^j/z^i)^d \in \mathbb{C}^*$  and hence can be seen as transition function of a certain degree  $d$  line bundle over  $\mathbb{CP}^n$  whose sections are given by homogeneous degree  $d$  polynomials. This line bundle is denoted  $\mathcal{O}(d)$ . More about the line bundle  $\mathcal{O}(d)$  will be explained in Appendix E.

Note that any chart  $U_i$  comes with a preferred section, namely  $(z^i)^d$ . Indeed, on the overlap  $U_{ij}$  one has

$$(z^i)^d = \left(\frac{z^i}{z^j}\right)^d (z^j)^d \implies g_{ij} = \left(\frac{z^i}{z^j}\right)^d (z^j)^d.$$

However, the section  $(z^i)^d$  is not the only choice. Given a smooth non-vanishing function  $f(x, \bar{x})$  on  $U_i$  (with coordinates  $x^k = z^k/z^i$ , one could have chosen  $\sigma^i = f(x, \bar{x})(z^i)^d$  as a section. Then

$$P_d(z_0, \dots, z_n) = \sigma^i \frac{P_d^{(i)}(x, \bar{x})}{f(x, \bar{x})}.$$

An important property of the section  $(z^i)^d$  is that it is holomorphic on  $U_i$ :

$$d\bar{x}\bar{\partial}_{\bar{x}}(z^i)^d = 0.$$

If one would have chosen the section  $\sigma^i = (z^i)^d f(x, \bar{x})$  instead, then  $\sigma^i$  is holomorphic with respect to the connection  $\bar{A} = -\bar{\partial} \log f(x, \bar{x})$ :

$$(\bar{\partial} + \bar{A})\sigma^i(x, \bar{x}) = 0.$$

The advantage of this definition is that the covariant derivative  $\bar{\partial} + \bar{A}$  can be defined *globally*.

**local sections.** Given two polynomials  $P_k$  and  $P_\ell$  with  $k = \ell + d$ , one can form their ratio  $Q_d = P_k/P_\ell$  which satisfies

$$Q_d(\lambda z_0, \dots, \lambda z_n) = \frac{P_k(\lambda z_0, \dots, \lambda z_n)}{P_\ell(\lambda z_0, \dots, \lambda z_n)} = \lambda^d \frac{P_k(z_0, \dots, z_n)}{P_\ell(z_0, \dots, z_n)} = \lambda^d Q_d(z_0, \dots, z_n).$$

This ratio is called a *meromorphic section*. Intuitively,  $Q_d$  has poles at the zeros of  $P_\ell$  which are not a root of  $P_k$ . However, since neither  $P_\ell$  nor  $P_k$  is a function, one can only talk about the position of the zeros and poles of  $Q_d$ . If  $P_k$  and  $P_\ell$  have no common factor, one defines

- (i) *divisor of zeros*  $D_0$  as the set (manifold) of points where  $P_k = 0$ ,
- (ii) *divisor of poles*  $D_\infty$  as the set (manifold) of points where  $P_\ell$  is zero.

**Riemann surfaces.** The same considerations as above also apply to Riemann surfaces  $\Sigma$ . However, the discussion here is more subtle since there may exist many non-equivalent connections  $\bar{A}$ . This means that one can have *different* holomorphic (line) bundles of the same degree. In particular, one can have non-trivial holomorphic bundles of degree zero.

Another question is, how these sections are related to maps to  $\mathbb{CP}^n$ . Suppose that one is given a holomorphic function  $\varphi: \Sigma \rightarrow \mathbb{CP}^n$ . Note that on  $\mathbb{CP}^n$  there exists a canonical line bundle (see Appendix E)  $\mathcal{O}(1) \rightarrow \mathbb{CP}^n$ . As in the discussion of  $\mathcal{O}(d)$  above, holomorphic sections of  $\mathcal{O}(1)$  are homogeneous polynomials of degree 1, i.e. linear in  $z_0, \dots, z_n$ . Therefore,  $\mathcal{O}(1)$

comes equipped with  $n + 1$  canonical holomorphic sections  $z_0, \dots, z_n$ . Now, one may consider the pullback bundle  $\varphi^*\mathcal{O}(1)$

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \varphi^*\mathcal{O}(1) & \longrightarrow & \mathcal{O}(1) \\ \downarrow & & \downarrow \\ \Sigma & \xrightarrow[\varphi \text{ hol}]{} & \mathbb{CP}^n \end{array}$$

This gives a holomorphic line bundle over  $\Sigma$  together with holomorphic sections  $s_i = \varphi^*z_i$ . If  $\mathcal{O}(1)$  is equipped with a connection  $\bar{A}$  and associated holomorphic sections  $\sigma^i$  satisfying  $(\bar{\partial} + \bar{A})\sigma^i = 0$ , then the pullback constructions yields a holomorphic line bundle with holomorphic sections  $s^i = \varphi^*\sigma^i$  satisfying  $(\bar{\partial} + \bar{a})s^i = 0$ , where  $\bar{a} = \varphi^*\bar{A}$ .

**1st Chern Class** Recall that line bundles  $\mathcal{L} \rightarrow X$  are classified by their first Chern class  $c_1(\mathcal{L}) \in H^2(X)$ . Now, one may show that the Poincaré dual of  $c_1(\mathcal{O}(1))$  defines a hyperplane

$$c_1(\mathcal{O}(1)) \simeq \delta(z_{(i)} = 0).$$

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precise!

This hyperplane corresponds to the zeros of the canonical sections  $z_0, \dots, z_n$  of  $\mathcal{O}(1)$ . The *degree* of the line bundle  $\varphi^*\mathcal{O}(1)$  is then precisely the number of intersection points of this hyperplane with the embedded surface  $\varphi(\Sigma) \subseteq \mathbb{CP}^n$ :

$$\deg(\varphi^*\mathcal{O}(1)) = \#\varphi(\Sigma) \cap H(c_1(\mathcal{O}(1))).$$

**meromorphic sections of  $\mathcal{L} \rightarrow \sigma$**

## E Holomorphic line bundles over $\mathbb{CP}^n$

There exists a canonical line bundle over  $\mathbb{CP}^n$ , called the *tautological line bundle*. It is standard to denote it by  $\mathcal{O}(-1)$ . Its fibers over every point  $\zeta \in \mathbb{CP}^n$  is exactly the line  $\ell(\zeta) = \{\lambda\zeta \mid \lambda \in \mathbb{C}^*\} \subset \mathbb{C}^{n+1}$  determined by  $\zeta$ . Schematically, one writes

$$\mathcal{O}(-1) = \{(\zeta, z) \in \mathbb{CP}^n \times \mathbb{C} \mid z \in \ell(\zeta)\}.$$

**Remark 28** ( $\mathcal{O}(-1)$  is a holomorphic line bundle). Recall that a vector bundle is *holomorphic* if it allows local trivializations such that their transition functions are holomorphic. In the case at hand, let  $U_\alpha$  be a coordinate chart of  $\mathbb{CP}^n$  and  $z_\alpha$  the corresponding coordinates. Over  $U_\alpha$ ,  $\mathcal{O}(-1)$  is

trivialized by functions  $\varphi_\alpha: U_\alpha \times \mathbb{C} \rightarrow \pi^{-1}(U_\alpha)$ , where  $\pi: \mathcal{O}(-1) \rightarrow \mathbb{CP}^n$ , where

$$\varphi_\alpha^{-1}(z_\alpha, \lambda_\alpha) = \lambda_\alpha z_\alpha \quad \lambda_\alpha \neq 0.$$

Note that  $\lambda_\alpha z_\alpha$  indeed lies in the line  $\ell(z_\alpha)$ . Over the intersection  $U_\alpha \cap U_\beta$  one therefore has transition function

$$t_{\alpha\beta} = \varphi_\alpha \varphi_\beta^{-1}: z_\beta \mapsto z_\alpha = \lambda_\alpha \lambda_\beta^{-1} z_\beta,$$

which is clearly holomorphic.  $\triangleleft$

Its dual, denoted by  $\mathcal{O}(1)$  is called the *hyperplane bundle*. The fibers of  $\mathcal{O}(1)$  are given by linear maps from the fibers of  $\mathcal{O}(-1)$  to  $\mathbb{C}$ , i.e.  $\Gamma(\mathcal{O}(1)) \cong \{\ell(\zeta)^* \mid \zeta \in \mathbb{CP}^n\}$ .

Let us discuss holomorphic sections of  $\mathcal{O}(1)$ . An element  $\alpha \in (\mathbb{C}^{n+1})^*$  is simply a linear map from  $\mathbb{C}^{n+1} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$

$$\alpha(z_0, \dots, z_n) = \sum_{i=0}^n \alpha^i z_i, \quad \alpha^i \in \mathbb{C}.$$

Since the fiber  $\ell(\zeta)$  over  $\zeta \in \mathbb{CP}^n$  is a linear subspace of  $\mathbb{C}^{n+1}$ ,  $\alpha$  defines, by restriction, a linear map  $s_\alpha: \ell(\zeta) \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$  and thus a section of  $\mathcal{O}(1)$ . We therefore have

$$\Gamma(\mathcal{O}(1)) \sim (\mathbb{C}^{n+1})^*.$$

The linear map  $\alpha: \mathbb{C}^{n+1} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$  might have a non-zero kernel, which defines a hyperplane  $\tilde{H}_\alpha \subseteq \mathbb{C}^{n+1}$ . Since  $\alpha$  is linear, it is a degree 1 polynomial in  $(z_0, \dots, z_n) \in \mathbb{CP}^{n+1}$ . Its kernel,

$$\ker \alpha = \{z = (z_0, \dots, z_n) \in \mathbb{C}^{n+1} \mid \alpha(z) = 0\}$$

is invariant under the  $\mathbb{C}^*$ -action  $(z_0, \dots, z_n) \mapsto \lambda(z_0, \dots, z_n)$  and hence descends to  $\mathbb{CP}^n$ . Hence, the map  $\alpha$  defines a hyperplane  $H_\alpha = \tilde{H}_\alpha / \mathbb{C}^* \subset \mathbb{CP}^n$ .

Now, the zero locus of the section  $\sigma_\alpha$  is by definition given by points  $[z_0, \dots, z_n] \in \mathbb{CP}^n$  such that  $s_\alpha([z_0, \dots, z_n]) = 0$ . If  $s_\alpha$  comes from  $\alpha$  restricted to some fiber of  $\mathcal{O}(-1)$ , then

$$s_\alpha([z_0, \dots, z_n]) = s_\alpha(\ell(z_0, \dots, z_n)) = \alpha|_{\ell(z_0, \dots, z_n)} = 0$$

if and only if

$$\forall (z_0, \dots, z_n) \in \ell(z_0, \dots, z_n) = [z_0, \dots, z_n] \in \mathbb{CP}^n: (z_0, \dots, z_n) \in \ker(\alpha) = \tilde{H}_\alpha$$

and thus  $[z_0, \dots, z_n] \in H_\alpha$ . The zero locus of the section  $s_\alpha \in \Gamma(\mathcal{O}(1))$  therefore determines hyperplanes in  $\mathbb{CP}^n$ .

Now, let  $\mathcal{O}(n) = \mathcal{O}(1)^{\otimes n}$ . We can build sections of  $\mathcal{O}(n)$  by taking tensor products of sections of  $\mathcal{O}(1)$ :

$$\Gamma(\mathcal{O}(n)) \ni s_{\alpha_1}^{k_1} \otimes \dots \otimes s_{\alpha_n}^{k_n}, \quad k_1 + \dots + k_n = n.$$



Since the  $s_{\alpha_j}^{k_j}$  are powers of restrictions of linear functions  $\alpha_j$  to a certain linear subspace of  $\mathbb{C}^{n+1}$ , the above tensor product can be viewed as a homogeneous polynomial of degree  $n$  in the variables  $(z_0, \dots, z_n) \in \mathbb{C}^{n+1}$ . The restriction of the polynomial to the linear subspace  $\ell(\zeta) \subset \mathbb{C}^{n+1}$  defines a degree  $n$ -map from  $\ell(\zeta) \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$  or, equivalently, a linear map from  $\ell^n(\zeta) \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ .

**Take-home-message:** holomorphic sections of  $\mathcal{O}(n)$  are homogeneous polynomials of degree  $n$ . [3]

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