

# GENERALITIES ON ORBIFOLD COHOMOLOGY AND TORIC DM STACKS

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ABSTRACT. I will explain various technicalities in Gromov-Witten theory for Deligne-Mumford stacks and how to construct toric Deligne-Mumford stacks from (extended) stacky fans.

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## 1. ORBIFOLD GROMOV-WITTEN THEORY

Let  $X$  be a smooth and separated Deligne-Mumford stack of finite type over  $\mathbb{C}$ .

**Definition 1.1.** The *inertia stack* of  $X$  is the fiber product in the diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccc} IX & \longrightarrow & X \\ \downarrow & & \downarrow \Delta \\ X & \xrightarrow{\Delta} & X \times X. \end{array}$$

More concretely, we may think about  $|X|$  as parameterizing pairs  $(x, g)$ , where  $x \in X$  and  $g \in \text{Aut}(x)$ . There is another description of  $IX$  if  $X$  lives over  $\mathbb{C}$ . In general,  $IX$  is disconnected. We will write

$$IX = \bigsqcup_{i \in I} X_i.$$

It also has an important morphism  $\text{inv}: IX \rightarrow IX$  given by  $(x, g) \mapsto (x, g^{-1})$ .

**Definition 1.2.** A morphism  $X \rightarrow Y$  of algebraic stacks is *representable* if for all schemes  $S$  and morphisms  $S \rightarrow Y$ , the fiber product  $X \times_S Y$  is an algebraic space.

**Theorem 1.3.** *Let*

$$I_\mu X := \bigsqcup_{r \geq 0} \text{Hom}_{\text{rep}}(B\mu_r, X)$$

denote the stack of representable morphisms from classifying stacks of roots of unity to  $X$  (the cyclotomic inertia stack). Then  $I_\mu X \simeq IX$ .

We need to make one more definition, which will appear as a degree shift on cohomology. Let  $(x, g) \in X_i$ . Because  $\langle g \rangle \subset \text{Aut}(x)$  is cyclic, there is a decomposition

$$T_x X = \bigoplus_{0 \leq \ell < r_i} V_\ell,$$

where  $V_\ell$  is the eigenspace with eigenvalue  $e^{2\pi\sqrt{-1}\frac{\ell}{r_i}}$  and  $r_i$  is the order of  $g$ . Then the function

$$\text{age} := \frac{1}{r_i} \sum_{0 \leq \ell < r_i} \ell \cdot \dim V_\ell$$

is constant on  $X_i$ , so we denote its value by  $\text{age}(X_i)$ .

Recall that by the Keel-Mori theorem,  $X$  (which has finite inertia) has a coarse moduli space  $|X|$ , which is an algebraic space satisfying two properties:

- The morphism  $\pi: X \rightarrow |X|$  is bijective on  $k$ -points whenever  $k$  is an algebraically closed field;
- $|X|$  is initial for morphisms from  $X$  to any algebraic space.

From now on, we will assume that  $|X|$  is quasiprojective, and in particular that it is a scheme.

### 1.1. Moduli of stable maps.

**Definition 1.4.** The moduli space of stable maps  $\overline{\mathcal{M}}_{g,n}(X, \beta)$  parameterizes objects

$$\begin{array}{ccc} (C, \{\Sigma_i\}) & \xrightarrow{f} & X \\ \downarrow & & \\ T, & & \end{array}$$

where

- (1)  $C$  is a prestable balanced twisted curve of genus  $g$ . This means that  $C$  has stacky structure only at nodes and marked points, and the nodes are formally locally  $[(C[x, y]/xy)/\mu_r]$ , where  $\mu_r$  acts by  $\zeta(x, y) = (\zeta x, \zeta^{-1}y)$ ;
- (2)  $\Sigma_i \subset C$  is an étale cyclotomic gerbe over  $T$  with a trivialization for all  $i$ ;
- (3)  $f: C \rightarrow X$  is representable and the induced morphism between coarse moduli spaces is a stable map of degree  $\beta$  with  $n$  marked points.

We see that  $\overline{\mathcal{M}}_{g,n}(X, \beta)$  has evaluation maps  $\text{ev}_i: \overline{\mathcal{M}}_{g,n}(X, \beta) \rightarrow IX$ . It is also disconnected, with the connected components being indexed by components of  $IX$ . Let

$$\overline{\mathcal{M}}_{g,n}(X, \beta, i_1, \dots, i_n) := \bigcap_{j=1}^n \text{ev}_j^{-1}(X_{i_j}).$$

Then

$$\overline{\mathcal{M}}_{g,n}(X, \beta) = \bigsqcup_{i_1, \dots, i_n} \overline{\mathcal{M}}_{g,n}(X, \beta, i_1, \dots, i_n).$$

Each component has a virtual fundamental class

$$[\overline{\mathcal{M}}_{g,n}(X, \beta, i_1, \dots, i_n)]^{\text{vir}} \in H_*(\overline{\mathcal{M}}_{g,n}(X, \beta, i_1, \dots, i_n), \mathbb{Q})$$

of virtual dimension

$$\int_{\beta} c_1(X) + (1 - g)(\dim X - 3) + n - \sum_{j=1}^n \text{age}(X_{i_j}).$$

given by the relative perfect obstruction theory  $(R\pi_* f^* TX)^\vee$ , where  $\pi: C \rightarrow \overline{\mathcal{M}}_{g,n}(X, \beta)$  is the universal curve, over the moduli stack  $\mathfrak{M}_{g,n}^{\text{tw}}$  of prestable twisted curves. Because we chose to work with trivialized gerbe markings, we need to multiply the virtual fundamental class as follows. Note that the  $j$ -th marked point is

$$\Sigma_j \cong \overline{\mathcal{M}}_{g,n}(X, \beta, i_1, \dots, i_n) \times B\mu_{r_{i_j}}.$$

Here, if  $x = [B\mu_r \rightarrow X] \in X_{i_j} \subset IX$ , then  $r_{i_j} = r$ . Then set

$$[\overline{\mathcal{M}}_{g,n}(X, \beta, i_1, \dots, i_n)]^w := \left( \prod_{j=1}^n r_{i_j} \right) [\overline{\mathcal{M}}_{g,n}(X, \beta, i_1, \dots, i_n)]^{\text{vir}}.$$

Now consider the morphism  $p: \overline{\mathcal{M}}_{g,n}(X, \beta) \rightarrow \overline{\mathcal{M}}_{g,n}(|X|, \beta)$  given by taking the coarse moduli space. Let  $C_{|X|} \rightarrow \overline{\mathcal{M}}_{g,n}(|X|, \beta)$  be the universal curve and  $\sigma_{i, |X|}$  be the marked points. Then the descendant classes<sup>1</sup> are defined to be

$$\psi_j := p^* c_1(\sigma_j^* \omega_{C_{|X|}/\overline{\mathcal{M}}_{g,n}(|X|, \beta)}).$$

**1.2. Quantum cohomology.** We are now able to define Gromov-Witten invariants. Let  $\alpha_j \in H^{p_j}(X_{i_j}, \mathbb{C})$ . Then define

$$\left\langle \alpha_1 \psi^{k_1}, \dots, \alpha_n \psi^{k_n} \right\rangle_{g,n,\beta}^X := \int_{[\overline{\mathcal{M}}_{g,n}(X, \beta, i_1, \dots, i_n)]^w} \prod_{j=1}^n \text{ev}_j^* \alpha_j \psi_j^{k_j}.$$

We are still able to form generating series  $\mathcal{F}_g, J_X, \dots$  as before, and the invariants satisfy the string, dilaton, and divisor equations (although we have to be careful that the marked point we delete is a scheme point), so the orbifold Gromov-Witten theory has a Lagrangian cone  $\mathcal{L}_X \subset \mathcal{H}$ .

The *orbifold Poincaré pairing* is defined by the formula

$$(\alpha, \beta) := \int_{IX} \alpha \cup \text{inv}^* \beta,$$

where  $\cup$  denotes the usual cup product. This is well-defined because of the formula

$$\text{age}(X_i) + \text{age}(X_{\text{inv}(i)}) = \dim X - \dim X_i$$

when  $X$  is proper. When  $X$  is not proper, we will assume we are working equivariantly. Now we may define the *quantum product* by the formula

$$(a \star_\tau b, c) := \sum_{n,\beta} \frac{Q^\beta}{n!} \langle a, b, c, \tau, \dots, \tau \rangle_{0,n+3,\beta}^X$$

for  $a, b, c, \tau \in H^*(IX, \mathbb{C})$ . Restricting to the degree 0 part and setting  $\tau = 0$ , we obtain the *orbifold cup product*, which is given by

$$(a \star b, c) = \langle a, b, c \rangle_{0,3,0}^X.$$

<sup>1</sup>Most people call these  $\overline{\psi}$ , but I am extremely lazy.

Denote  $H_{\text{CR}}^*(X) := (H^*(IX, \mathbb{C}), \cup)$ . Note that this product is graded for the grading  $\deg(a) = p + 2 \text{age}(X_i)$  for  $a \in H^p(X_i)$ . Using the quantum product, we may define the quantum connection and its fundamental solution.

## 2. TORIC DELIGNE-MUMFORD STACKS

We will assume the reader is familiar with the fan presentation of a toric variety. If you are not, there are many references.

**Definition 2.1.** An *extended stacky fan* is a quadruple  $\Sigma = (N, \Sigma, \beta, S)$  of

- (1) A finitely generated abelian group  $N$  of rank  $n$ ;
- (2) A rational simplicial fan  $\Sigma$  in  $N_{\mathbb{R}} = N \otimes \mathbb{R}$ ;
- (3) A homomorphism  $\beta: \mathbb{Z}^m \rightarrow N$ . We will write  $b_i = \beta(e_i) \in N$  for the image of the standard basis vector  $e_i \in \mathbb{Z}^m$  and  $\bar{b}_i$  for its image in  $N_{\mathbb{R}}$ ;
- (4) A subset  $S \subset \{1, \dots, m\}$

satisfying the following conditions:

- (1) The set  $\Sigma(1)$  of 1-dimensional cones is exactly the set  $\{\mathbb{R}_{\geq 0} \cdot \bar{b}_i \mid i \notin S\}$ ;
- (2) For all  $i \in S$ ,  $\bar{b}_i \in |\Sigma|$ .

We will now assume that  $|\Sigma|$  is convex and full-dimensional and, that there is a strictly convex piecewise linear function  $f: |\Sigma| \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  which is linear on each cone, and that  $\beta$  is surjective. From this data, we will now obtain a GIT presentation. Define  $\mathbb{L}$  by the exact sequence

$$0 \rightarrow \mathbb{L} \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}^m \xrightarrow{\beta} N \rightarrow 0.$$

Then define  $K := \mathbb{L} \otimes \mathbb{C}^\times$ . Then define  $D_i \in \mathbb{L}^\vee$  to be the image of the  $i$ -th standard basis vector in  $(\mathbb{Z}^m)^\vee$  under the last arrow in the exact sequence

$$0 \rightarrow N^\vee \rightarrow (\mathbb{Z}^m)^\vee \rightarrow \mathbb{L}^\vee$$

Finally, set

$$\mathcal{A}_\omega = \{I \subset \{1, \dots, m\} \mid S \subset I, \sigma_I \text{ is a cone of } \Sigma\}.$$

Choose a stability condition

$$\omega \in C_\omega := \bigcup_{I \in \mathcal{A}_\omega} \left\{ \sum_{i \in I} a_i D_i \mid a_i \in \mathbb{R}_{>0} \right\}.$$

Then we define

$$X_\Sigma := [(\mathbb{C}^m)^s / K].$$

The ample cone is  $C'_\omega \subset \mathbb{L}_{\mathbb{R}}^\vee / \sum_{i \in S} \mathbb{R} D_i \cong H^2(X_\Sigma, \mathbb{R})$ , which is defined in the same way as  $C_\omega$  after deleting  $S$  from the extended stacky fan, and the cone of effective curve classes is its dual.

**2.1. Orbifold cohomology.** First, we will describe the equivariant cohomology of  $X_\Sigma$ . Let  $\mathcal{Q} = (\mathbb{C}^\times)^m / K$ . Then if  $u_i$  is Poincaré dual to  $(x_i = 0 \subset (\mathbb{C}^m)^s) / K$ , we have

$$H_{\mathcal{Q}}^*(X_\Sigma, \mathbb{C}) = H_{\mathcal{Q}}^*(\text{pt}, \mathbb{C})[u_1, \dots, u_m] / (\mathfrak{I} + \mathfrak{J}),$$

where

$$\begin{aligned}\mathfrak{I} &:= \left\langle \chi - \sum_{i=1}^m \langle \chi, b_i \rangle u_i \mid \chi \in N_{\mathbb{C}}^{\vee} \right\rangle \\ \mathfrak{J} &:= \left\langle \prod_{i \notin I} u_i \mid I \notin \mathcal{A}_{\omega} \right\rangle.\end{aligned}$$

There is a combinatorial description of the components of the inertia stack  $IX_{\Sigma}$ . Because  $X_{\Sigma}$  is a global quotient, the components of the inertia stack correspond to elements  $g \in K$  such that  $((\mathbb{C}^m)^s)^g$  is nonempty. Equivalently, if we define

$$\mathbb{K} := \{f \in \mathbb{L} \otimes \mathbb{Q} \mid \{i \in \{1, \dots, m\} \mid D_i \cdot f \in \mathbb{Z}\} \in \mathcal{A}_{\omega}\},$$

then the components of  $IX_{\Sigma}$  are in bijection with  $\mathbb{K}/\mathbb{L}$ . To give a description in terms of the fan, for any  $\sigma \in \Sigma(n)$ , define

$$\text{Box}(\sigma) := \left\{ v \in N \mid \bar{v} = \sum_{\rho_i \subseteq \sigma} a_i \bar{b}_i \mid 0 \leq a_i < 1 \right\}$$

and then

$$\text{Box}(\Sigma) := \bigcup_{\sigma \in \Sigma(n)} \text{Box}(\sigma).$$

Then there is a natural bijection  $\mathbb{K}/\mathbb{L} \cong \text{Box}(\Sigma)$ . For any  $f \in \mathbb{K}/\mathbb{L}$ ,  $X_f$  is a toric DM stack with  $K, \mathbb{L}, \omega$  the same as for  $X_{\omega}$  and characters  $D_i$  for  $i$  such that  $D_i \cdot f \in \mathbb{Z}$ . At the level of fans, this corresponds to killing the minimal cone of  $\Sigma$  containing the corresponding  $\bar{v}$ .

We will now give the orbifold cohomology of  $X_{\Sigma}$ . Define the *deformed group ring*  $\mathbb{C}[N]^{\Sigma}$  as the vector space  $\mathbb{C}[N]$  with product given by

$$y^{c_1} \cdot y^{c_2} := \begin{cases} y^{c_1+c_2} & \text{there exists } \sigma \in \Sigma \text{ such that } \bar{c}_1, \bar{c}_2 \in \sigma \\ 0 & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

Then there is an isomorphism of rings

$$H_{\text{CR}}^*(X_{\Sigma}) \cong \frac{\mathbb{C}[N]^{\Sigma}}{\langle \sum_{i \notin S} \chi(b_i) y^{b_i} \mid \chi \in N^{\vee} \rangle}.$$

*Remark 2.2.* This result also works in families over a base  $B$ , where  $\mathbb{C}^m$  is replaced by a direct sum of  $m$  line bundles on  $B$ . Then we need to add a  $c_1(L_{\chi})$  to the relations and obtain

$$H_{\text{CR}}^*(X_{\Sigma}^B) := \frac{H^*(B)[N]^{\Sigma}}{\langle c_1(L_{\chi}) + \sum_{i \notin S} \chi(b_i) y^{b_i} \mid \chi \in N^{\vee} \rangle}.$$

### 3. GAMMA-INTEGRAL STRUCTURE

Let  $IX = \bigsqcup_{v \in B} X_v$  and  $q_v: X_v \rightarrow X$  be the restriction of  $IX \rightarrow X$ . Let  $E$  be a  $T$ -equivariant vector bundle on  $X$ . Recall that  $v$  corresponds to some  $g_v \in K$ , so we obtain an eigenbundle decomposition

$$q_v^* E = \bigoplus_{0 \leq f < 1} E_{v,f},$$

where  $E_{v,f}$  is the subbundle where  $g_v$  acts by  $e^{2\pi i f}$ . We now define the orbifold Chern character to be

$$\widetilde{\text{ch}}(E) = \bigoplus_{v \in B} \sum_{0 \leq f < 1} e^{2\pi i f} \text{ch}(E_{v,f}).$$

Now let  $\delta_{v,f,i}$  be the Chern roots of  $E_{v,f}$ . We define the orbifold Todd class to be

$$\widetilde{\text{Td}}(E) := \bigoplus_{v \in B} \left( \prod_{0 < f < 1} \prod_i \frac{1}{1 - e^{-2\pi i f - \delta_{v,f,i}}} \right) \prod_i \frac{\delta_{v,0,i}}{1 - e^{-\delta_{v,0,i}}}.$$

The  $\widehat{\Gamma}$ -class should be a square root of this and is defined by

$$\widehat{\Gamma}(E) = \bigoplus_{v \in B} \prod_{0 \leq f < 1} \prod_i \Gamma(1 - f + \delta_{v,f,i}),$$

where we expand  $\Gamma$  around  $1 - f$ . The reflection formula for the  $\Gamma$ -function implies that the  $X_v$ -component of  $\widehat{\Gamma}(E^\vee) \cup \widehat{\Gamma}(E)$  is given by

$$[\widehat{\Gamma}(E^\vee) \cup \widehat{\Gamma}(E)]_v = (2\pi i)^{\text{rk}(q_v^* E)^{\text{mov}}} \left[ e^{-\pi i (\text{age}(q^* E) + c_1(q^* E))} (2\pi i)^{\frac{\deg_0}{2}} \widetilde{\text{Td}}(E) \right]_{\text{inv}(v)}.$$

Here,  $\deg_0$  is the grading operator given by the degree without age shifting.

**Definition 3.1.** Define the *K-group framing*  $\mathfrak{s}: K_T(X) \rightarrow H_{\text{CR},T}^*(X) \otimes_{R_T} R_T[\log z][z^{-\frac{1}{k}}][[Q, \tau]]$  by the formula

$$\mathfrak{s}(E)(\tau, z) := \frac{1}{(2\pi)^{\frac{\dim X}{2}}} L(\tau, z) z^{-\mu} z^\rho \widehat{\Gamma}_X \cup (2\pi i)^{\frac{\deg_0}{2}} \text{inv}^* \widetilde{\text{ch}}(E),$$

where  $L(\tau, z)$  is the fundamental solution to the quantum connection,  $\mu$  is the usual grading operator given by  $\frac{1}{2}(\deg - \dim X)$  on homogeneous elements, and  $\rho = c_1(TX) \in H^2(X)$ .

**Proposition 3.2.** Define the *equivariant Euler pairing* by

$$\chi(E, F) := \sum_i (-1)^i \text{ch}^T(\text{Ext}^i(E, F))$$

and the modified version  $\chi_z(E, F)$  by replacing the equivariant parameters  $\lambda_j$  by  $\frac{2\pi i \lambda_j}{z}$ . Then

$$(\mathfrak{s}(E)(\tau, e^{-i\pi} z), \mathfrak{s}(F)(\tau, z)) = \chi_z(E, F).$$

*Remark 3.3.* Everything we have discussed so far makes sense for toric DM stacks after specializing  $Q = 1$ .