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THE MODULI SPACE OF $N=(2,2)$ SUPERCONFORMAL FIELD THEORIES

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Basic CFT for our purposes: "Gaussian model"

$$S = \frac{1}{4\pi\alpha'} \int_{\Sigma} \partial x \bar{\partial} x d^2 z \quad \Sigma = \text{world-sheet.}$$

x is a real variable

($\alpha' = \frac{1}{2}$).

This is a conformal field theory with $c=1$.

$$T(z) \tilde{T}(\bar{z}) : \partial x \bar{\partial} x : \\ T(z) T(w) = \frac{1}{2(z-w)^4} + \frac{2}{(z-w)^2} T(w) + \frac{1}{z-w} \partial T(w) + \dots$$

So CFT has "modelled" $\mathbb{R}$.

$\mathbb{R}^n$ is modelled by n of these theories ... $c=n$.
"central charge $\Rightarrow$ dim."

We may impose periodic conditions $x \sim x + 2\pi R$.

... now have a circle

may rescale $x \rightarrow x/R$ so that $x \sim x + 2\pi$

$$S = \frac{R^2}{4\pi\alpha'} \int_{\Sigma} \partial x \bar{\partial} x d^2 z$$

If we add $\int_{\Sigma} \varphi d^2 z$ into action where $\varphi = \partial x \bar{\partial} x$

then we change R .

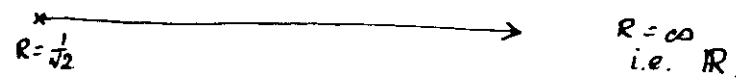
φ is a "truly marginal operator".

$\frac{1}{2}$.

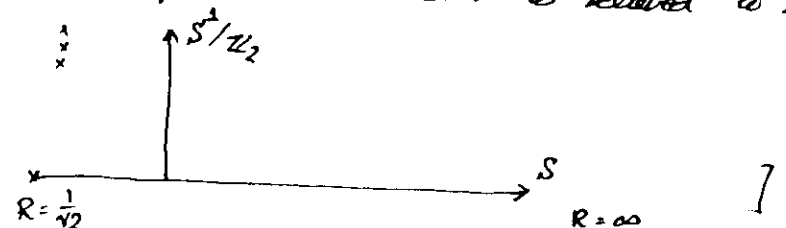
φ builds up a moduli space of theories from original.

At $R = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}$ an extra symmetry appears such that $\varphi \cong -\varphi$ to deformation.

$\Rightarrow$



Actually moduli space of $c=1$ theories is believed to be:

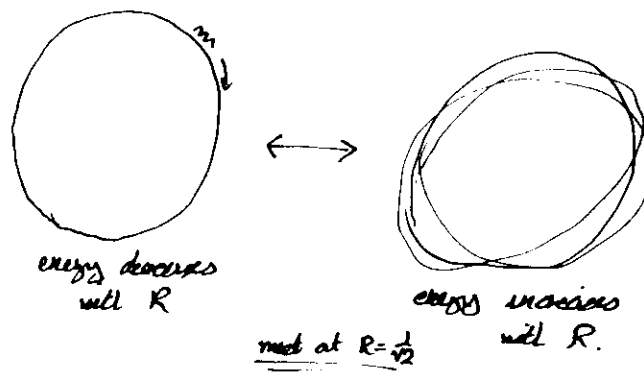


Actually, the CFT for a circle radius R

$\cong$ circle for radius $\frac{1}{2}R$.

(hence all "wound out" at $R = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}$)

This can be pictured in terms of momenta & winding modes



Sim. for n dimensions we have n^2 marginal operators $\frac{1}{4}$

Narain has shown that a CFT on an n -torus is described by an even self-dual lattice of signature (n, n)

i.e. $\langle e_i, e_j \rangle$ lattice vectors given by

$$2n \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \\ & \ddots \end{pmatrix}$$

moduli space of such lattices is

$$O(n, n, \mathbb{Z}) \backslash O(n, n) / O(n) \times O(n)$$

$\uparrow$ $\leftarrow$ trivial rotations of lattice
 generalized $R \leftrightarrow \frac{1}{2R}$ identifications
 automorphisms of lattice.
 indeed, $\dim = n^2$.

Note that this is not the moduli space classically for a torus:
 $GL(n) / O(n)$ $\dim = \frac{1}{2}n(n+1)$

Dimension is not even right! To get dimension right we add "B-field": - antisymmetric constant

$$S = \frac{1}{4\pi\alpha'} \int_{\Sigma} d^2\sigma \left\{ \eta^{\alpha\beta} \partial_{\alpha} x^i \partial_{\beta} x^j g_{ij} + \epsilon^{\alpha\beta} \partial_{\alpha} x^i \partial_{\beta} x^j B_{ij} \right\}$$

$\uparrow$
 (constant) metric.

One can show that this also gives even self-dual lattices.

In order to solve harder problems we need to introduce supersymmetry.

Conformal algebra $\rightarrow$ superconformal algebra
 Add fermions into action to make it supersymmetric

A free fermion $\equiv$ Ising model has $c = \frac{1}{2}$.

$\therefore$ For super-target-space we expect
 $c = \frac{3}{2} \times \text{dimension}$

superparticle has $c = \frac{3}{2}$.

Note, moduli space of $N=1$, $c = \frac{3}{2}$ theories is messy.

For $N=2$ theories, we pair bosons & fermions to form a complex structure $\mathbb{R}^{2d} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}^d$
 $c = 3d$. $d = \text{COMPLEX dim of } 2\text{-l.}$

Moduli space of $c=3$, $N=2$ theories is very messy!

However we may restrict to theories which have a good geometrical interpretation.

$N=(2,2)$ theories have left- and right- $U(1)$ currents
 - fields may be labelled by charge $(Q, \bar{Q})$

Let us restrict to $Q, \bar{Q} \in \mathbb{Z}$ for NS strings
 (links to S.T. 2004).

1. Gepner has shown that any such CFT is ~~is~~ ~~isomorphic~~ ~~is~~ ~~isomorphic~~ to a torus:
for $c=3$,

$$T(z)T(w) = \frac{1}{(z-w)^2} + \dots$$

$$\Rightarrow T(z) = i\partial\varphi \quad \text{for some free boson } \varphi(z).$$

Since $G^\pm$ have charge ± 1

$$G_\pm = \hat{G}_\pm : e^{i\varphi}.$$

$$\Rightarrow \hat{G}_+(z)\hat{G}_-(w) = \frac{2}{(z-w)^2} + \dots$$

$$\Rightarrow \hat{G}_+ = \sqrt{2}\partial H, \quad \hat{G}_- = \sqrt{2}\partial H^* \quad \text{for some complex boson } H.$$

If all fields have charge $\in \mathbb{Z}$, φ lives on circle of radius 1
 $\cong$ complex fermion ψ .

$$T = :\psi^\dagger\psi:$$

H periodic boundary conditions give torus.

Thus from Narain we have $\mathcal{M} = \frac{O(2,2)}{O(2,2,\mathbb{Z})} / O(2) \times O(2)$

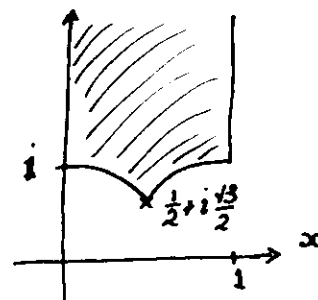
$$\frac{O(2,2)}{O(2) \times O(2)} = \left[\frac{SL(2)}{U(1)} \right]^2 \quad \text{up to } \mathbb{Z}_2 \text{ factors}$$

$\uparrow$ given by $x = \frac{a+b}{c+d}$ for $\begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix} \in SL(2)$

$O(2,2,\mathbb{Z})$ contains $SL(2,\mathbb{Z}) \times SL(2,\mathbb{Z})$ for $\text{Im}(x) > 0$.

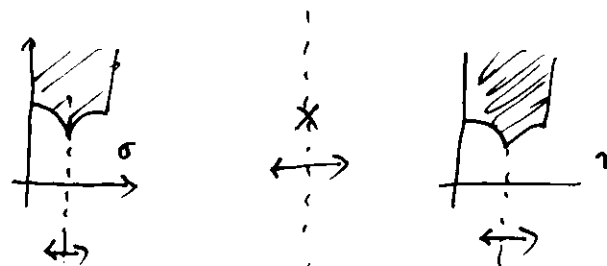
$SL(2,\mathbb{Z})$ acts on x by $x \rightarrow \frac{ax+b}{cx+d}$ $\begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix} \in SL(2,\mathbb{Z})$

2/1/6. $SL(2,\mathbb{Z}) \backslash SL(2)/U(1)$ can be drawn as

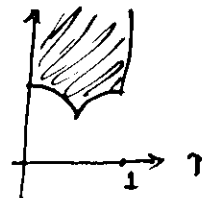


(often drawn )

Taking all the little $\mathbb{Z}_2$ -factors into account we end up with



classically, the moduli space of a torus is of fixed area.



Thus moduli space $\mathcal{M}_{g=3}$ contains classical moduli space of complex structures

- + Minor map to σ co-ord
- + other $\mathbb{Z}_2$ -flip

~~σ may be written as $B+iJ$~~

~~where $B_{ij} = e_{ij} B$~~

~~and $2g_{ij} = e_{ij}$~~

Once a complex structure has been put on ~~some~~ target space we make

$$S = \frac{i}{4\pi\alpha'} \int \left\{ \frac{1}{2} g_{ij} (\partial x^i \bar{\partial} x^j + \bar{\partial} x^i \partial x^j) - i B_{ij} (\partial x^i \bar{\partial} x^j - \bar{\partial} x^i \partial x^j) \right\} d^2 z$$

$$= \frac{1}{4\pi\alpha'} \left\{ \underset{\substack{\uparrow \\ \text{same function}}}{K(g_{ij})} + 2\pi i \int_{\Sigma} x^*(B) \right\}$$

viewing x as a map $x: \Sigma \rightarrow X$
 $\uparrow$ target space.
 B is a 2-form $= \frac{1}{2} B_{ij} dx^i \wedge dx^j$

Let us fix $4\pi\alpha' = 1$ from now on

then if we have $B = e$, where $e \in H^2(X, \mathbb{Z})$

$$\Rightarrow \int_{\Sigma} x^*(B) = \int_{\text{Im}(\Sigma)} e \in \mathbb{Z}$$

$\Rightarrow$ makes no contribution to field theory

$\Rightarrow B \rightarrow B + e$ is a symmetry of the action

In this case $\dim H^2 = 1$ and e is only generator of $H^2(X, \mathbb{Z})$

Actually $B+iJ = \sigma \cdot e$

$\sigma \rightarrow \sigma + 1$ is just B-field symmetry
 $\sigma \rightarrow -1/\sigma$ is "area $\leftrightarrow \frac{1}{\text{area}}$ " (for $B=0$).

$$\text{for area} = \int_{\Sigma} J.$$

To study more complicated target spaces we need to develop tools further.

Here, we could use metric - because it was constant $\therefore$ flat. In general life will be harder.

The moduli space $\mathcal{M}$ contained the classical moduli space of complex structures. This may be got from algebraic geometry without reference to the metric.

— HEREIN LIES AN IMPORTANT POINT !!

One might try 3 ways of doing geometry.

- 1) Think about it ~~directly~~ analytical
- 2) Chop the space into ~~space~~ small bits and look closely - differential
- 3) Look at functions on it - algebraic

String theory 1) is too hard!

2) might not be reasonable in string theory

3) Needs a field to work over

$$N=2 \Rightarrow k \in \mathbb{Q}.$$

$\therefore N=(2,2)$ lies at the heart of all that follows.

1/9. Algebraic description of a torus:

$$W = x_0^3 + y_0^3 + z_0^3 - 3\tau x_0 y_0 z_0 = 0.$$

etc. in $\mathbb{P}^2 [x, y, z]$.
(complex version of "elliptic curve")

complex structure depends on τ (not a metric in sight)

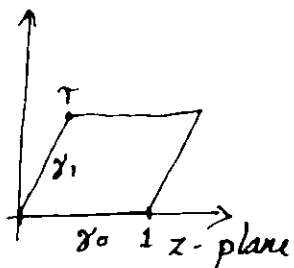
but how does τ depend on τ ?

A torus has 2 generators of H_1 γ_0, γ_1 .



We also have a holomorphic 1-form $\Omega = f \cdot dz$ on the torus unique up to a constant

$$\tau = \frac{\int_{\gamma_1} \Omega}{\int_{\gamma_0} \Omega}$$



Fix area & orientation:
 $\text{Im}(\tau) > 0$.

fix constant in Ω by $\int_{\gamma_0} \Omega = 1$ and $f = 1$.

$\tau \rightarrow \tau + 1$ symmetry is $\gamma_1 \rightarrow \gamma_1 + \gamma_0$

$\tau \rightarrow -1/\tau$ is $\gamma_0 \leftrightarrow \gamma_1$

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How do we build $\int_{\gamma} \Omega$? = 2π

For a manifold $W(x_i) = 0$

first set one co-ordinate = 1 to get affine patch

$$\text{then } \Omega = \frac{dx_2 \wedge dx_3 \wedge \dots}{\partial W / \partial x_1}$$

is a nowhere vanishing, finite n -form.

Consider a tubular neighborhood of γ in ambient space



Since the residue of $\frac{1}{W}$ is $\frac{1}{\partial W / \partial x_1}$

$$\text{We have } \int_{\gamma} \Omega = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{\Gamma} \frac{dx_1 \wedge dx_2 \wedge \dots}{W} = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{\Gamma} x_0 \frac{dx_1 \wedge \dots}{W}$$

$$\sim \int_{\Gamma \times \text{circle}} \frac{dx_0 \wedge dx_1 \wedge \dots}{W}$$

$$\text{e.g. } \sim \int_{\substack{|x_0| \leq \epsilon \\ |y_0| \leq \epsilon \\ |z_0| \leq \epsilon}} \frac{\tau \cdot dx_0 dy_0 dz_0}{x_0^3 + y_0^3 + z_0^3 - 3\tau x_0 y_0 z_0}$$

$$|x_i| = \epsilon$$

$$\sim \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(3n)!}{(n!)^3} (3\tau)^{3n}$$

$$\sim {}_2F_1\left(\frac{1}{3}, \frac{2}{3}; 1; \tau^3\right)$$

'11. which solves

$$\left(z \frac{d}{dz}\right)^2 w - z \left(z \frac{dw}{dz} + \frac{1}{3}\right) \left(z \frac{d}{dz} + \frac{2}{3}\right) w = 0$$

$z = \tau^{-3}$

i.e. the periods solve a hypergeometric equation.
- the "Picard-Fuchs" equation

Actually, all periods satisfy this equation

integral relation to eqn is

$$f(z) = A \left(1 + \frac{2}{9}z + \frac{10}{81}z^2 + \frac{560}{6561}z^3 + \dots\right) + B \left\{ \left(1 + \frac{2}{9}z + \frac{10}{81}z^2 + \dots\right) \log z + \frac{5}{9}z + \frac{11}{54}z^2 + \dots \right\}$$

~~log z~~ - Note that $\tau = \infty$ pt has monodromy due to $\tau \rightarrow \tau+1$
Singularity occurs at $z=0$, $\tau=\infty$ - must correspond to $\tau=i\infty$

$\log z$ has branch pt at $z=0$

- gives $\tau = \tau+1$ symmetry

$$\Rightarrow \tau_\theta = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \left(\frac{B - \text{part}}{A - \text{part}} + \text{const} \right)$$

$$= \frac{1}{2\pi i} \left\{ \log z + \frac{5}{9}z + \frac{37}{162}z^2 + \frac{2669}{19683}z^3 + \dots \right\} + \text{const.}$$

We know that $\tau=0$, torus has $\mathbb{Z}_3$ symmetry - must be $\tau = e^{\frac{2\pi i}{3}}$
above xris may be analytically continued (rather messy)
min $\tau=0$, to show that $K = -\log 27$.

$$\tau = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \left\{ \log \frac{z}{27} + \frac{5}{9}z + \frac{37}{162}z^2 + \frac{2669}{19683}z^3 + \dots \right\}$$

'12. This provides the link between algebraic method & τ .

Note that for strings σ & τ are very similar
 $\Rightarrow$ algebraic method for σ too.

Consider map of deriving geometry again

~~A torus~~ Classically, a torus with a complex structure has 3 real moduli - its area and τ - the complex structure.
Algebraic methods may be used to describe τ but not A .

In string theory, the area combines with B-field to form σ - behaves like τ . $\therefore$ Algebraic methods work for it too.

- Stringy geometry is MORE algebraic than even algebraic geometries hoped!

The target space is given 2 complex structures, - one is the classical one, the other one gives $B+iJ$.

Mirror symmetry now appears naturally. It happens when these complex structures are exchanged.

Mirror symmetry is NOT a symmetry of classical geometry.

Intrinsically string theory is probably most happy with 2 complex structures. To make contact with $B+iJ$ we need to solve P.F. eqns.

1.1. So much for flat space.

$$S = \frac{1}{4\pi\alpha'} \int_{\Sigma} d^2\sigma \left\{ h^{\alpha\beta} \partial_{\alpha} x^i \partial_{\beta} x^j g_{ij}(x) + \epsilon^{\alpha\beta} \partial_{\alpha} x^i \partial_{\beta} x^j B_{ij}(x) \right\}$$

+ fermions
(+ dilatons).

let g_{ij} and B_{ij} vary over X .

σ -model now is interacting

coupling constant $\sim \alpha'/R^2$

R some typical size of X .

$\therefore$ If X is large (and thus fairly flat) we can do perturbative theory.

To see if F.T. is conformally invariant, we look at β -functions of fields, parameters of theory. This yields a complicated set of equations which to 1-loop may be satisfied by

$$\begin{aligned} dB &= 0 & (\text{"Zero torsion"}) \\ R_{ij} &= 0 & \text{- Ricci-flat.} \end{aligned}$$

$N=(2,2) \Rightarrow$ complex structure Kähler i.e. X is CY

In 1d-dim, only CY is a torus - we solved that exactly.

In 2d-dim, CY's are 4-torus and K3.

Let us study K3.

First look at $N=(2,2)$ algebra for $c=6$.

For 1 set:

2.1/2. Spectral flow of identity gives a field with

$$Q=2, h=1. \quad \Omega^+$$

$$\text{also gives } Q=-2, h=1. \quad \Omega^-$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{We also have } J &= i\sqrt{2} \partial\bar{\partial} \\ \Rightarrow \Omega^{\pm} &= e^{\pm i\sqrt{2}\phi} \end{aligned}$$

for some boson ϕ

$J, \Omega^{\pm}$ form an $SU(2)$ affine algebra (Frenkel-Kac)

i.e. $U(1)$ elevated to $SU(2)$

$G^{\pm}(z)$ may be split into 4 fields transforming as $2+2$ rep of $SU(2)$

This is an $N=4$ SC.A.

I.e. $N=(2,2)$ raised to $N=(4,4)$ in 2d-dim.

X now has quaternionic structure & hyper-Kähler metric

$dB=0, R_{ij}=0$ is EXACT. just like it was for torus.

So, what is a K3 surface?

Kummer's construction:

Take a "square" torus $(z_1, z_2) \in \mathbb{C}^2 / (\mathbb{Z}[i])^2$

Divide by $\mathbb{Z}_2$ -action $(z_1, z_2) \equiv (-z_1, -z_2)$

This has fixed points - 16 of them $(0,0), (\frac{1}{2},0), (\frac{i}{2},0), \dots$

$\Rightarrow$ space is singular "orbifold"

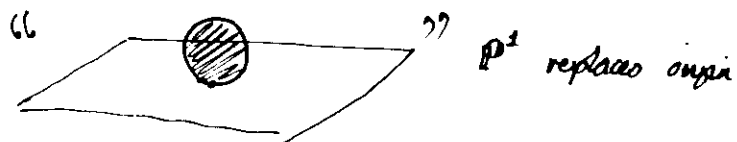
let us "blow-up" singularities.

First think of space

$$\mathcal{O}(-1) = \{ [a, b], (x, y) \in \mathbb{P}^1 \times \mathbb{C}^2 \mid ay = bx \}$$

If $(x, y) \neq (0, 0)$ we determine $\frac{a}{b}$ from $(x, y) \Rightarrow$ pt on $\mathbb{P}^1$
 $\Rightarrow$ isomorphic to $\mathbb{C}^2 \setminus \{0\}$.

If $(x, y) = (0, 0)$, a, b are undetermined so we have whole $\mathbb{P}^1$.



" $\mathbb{C}^2$ has been blown-up at 0"
 actually smooth!

now consider

$$\mathcal{O}(-2) = \{ [a, b], (x, y) \in \mathbb{P}^1 \times \mathbb{C}^2 \mid a^2 y = b^2 x \}$$

One may show that away from $(x, y) = (0, 0)$
 isomorphic to $\mathbb{C}^2 / \mathbb{Z}_2$.
 $(\xi, \eta) \cong (-\xi, -\eta)$

but this is smooth.

Thus, this is a space that is smooth but looks like the singular space $\mathbb{C}^2 / \mathbb{Z}_2$. The space $\mathbb{C}^2 / \mathbb{Z}_2$ is singular at the origin. $\mathcal{O}(-2)$ has a $\mathbb{P}^1$ at the "origin". Singularity has been "blown-up" to give a $\mathbb{P}^1$.

$\mathcal{O}(-2)$ is a Kähler manifold with $H^2 \dim H^2 = 1$.

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Case over quadric:

$$\mathbb{C}^2 / \mathbb{Z}_2$$

$$(s, t) \text{ from } \mathbb{C}^2$$

$$(s, t) \cong (-s, -t)$$

$$\text{let } x = s^2$$

$$y = t^2$$

$$z = st$$

$$\text{then } xy = z^2 \subset \mathbb{C}^3 \cong \mathbb{C}^2 / \mathbb{Z}_2.$$

Suppose $[x, y, z]$ are now considered hom. of $\mathbb{P}^2$.

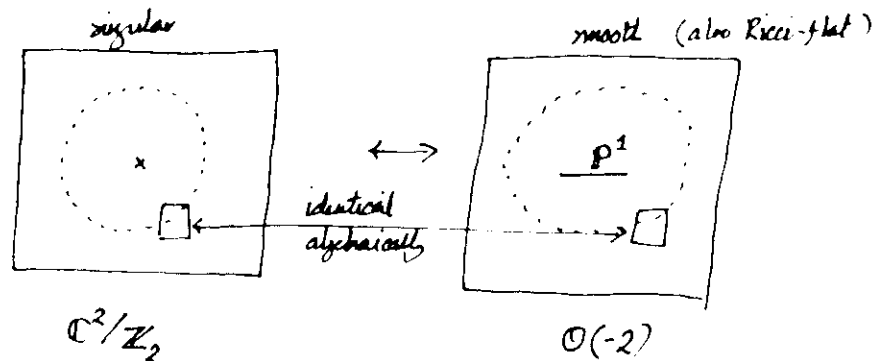
Then $xy - z^2 = 0$ is locus of a smooth $\mathbb{P}^1 \subset \mathbb{P}^2$
 $[a, b] \mapsto \mathbb{P}^1$ $x = a^2, y = b^2, z = ab$. (1-1 pt. hom.)

$$\text{Consider } \{ [a, b], (\frac{x, y, z}{a^2, b^2, ab}) \mid xy = z^2, a^2 z = abx, a^2 y = b^2 x, aby = b^2 z \}$$

Actually, Then away from $x=y=z=0$ we have $\mathbb{C}^2 / \mathbb{Z}_2$
 at $x=y=z=0$ we have $\mathbb{P}^1$.

Actually z is uniquely determined from eqns - we may drop it

$$\mathcal{O}(-2) \cong \{ [a, b], (x, y) \mid a^2 y = b^2 x \}$$



Very algebraic
 Very un-differential } geometry

1/4. The Kähler form $J = Ae$ e generates H^2 .

$$\text{Area of } \mathbb{P}^1 \cong \int_{\mathbb{P}^1} e \cong 2\pi A \sim A.$$

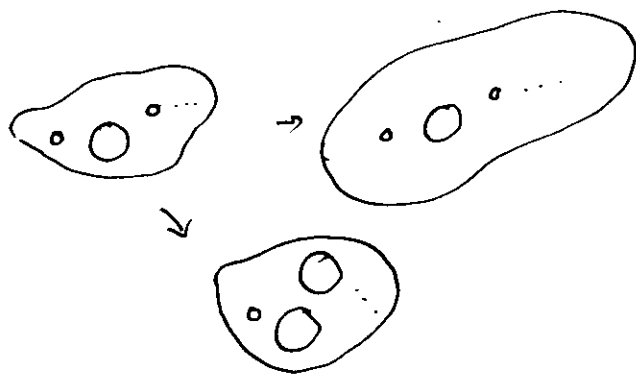
Size of $\mathbb{P}^1$ is varied by Kähler form J .

In the limit $J \rightarrow 0$, $\mathbb{P}^1 \rightarrow \text{pt}$ and we recover singular space. Orbifold lies at the boundary of the space of Kähler forms for a manifold.

K3 has 16 such $\mathbb{P}^1$'s

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \begin{array}{ccc} & 1 & \\ 2 & & 2 \\ 1 & 4 & 1 \\ & 2 & 2 \\ & & 1 \end{array} & \xrightarrow{1/2} & \begin{array}{ccc} & 1 & \\ 0 & & 0 \\ 1 & 4 & 1 \\ & 0 & 0 \\ & & 1 \end{array} \xrightarrow[\text{up}]{\text{blow}} \begin{array}{ccc} & 1 & \\ 0 & & 0 \\ 1 & 20 & 1 \\ & 0 & 0 \\ & & 1 \end{array} \end{array}$$

$$J = \sum_{i=1}^{20} J_i e_i$$



Any smooth CY build by any method is in $2g$ in

2/5.

Actually, K3 is a little awkward for $\mathcal{M}$.

J is a Kähler form $\Rightarrow J$ is a $(1,1)$ -form.

The space of 2-forms is 22-dimensional, "Hodge decomp"

$$H^2(X, \mathbb{C}) \cong H^{2,0}(X) \oplus H^{1,1}(X) \oplus H^{0,2}(X)$$

This decomp. varies with complex structure -

just as $\int \Omega$ varied for the torus

$$\text{Now } \int \Omega \leftarrow e \in H^{2,0}(X) \text{ varies} \\ \nwarrow \\ \in H_2(X, \mathbb{Z})$$

- the ~~latter~~ H_2 direction of $H^{2,0}$ varies within the $H_2(X, \mathbb{Z})$ lattice

~~but this~~ but this time J is affected by c.s.

This means that deformation of $\mathbb{P}^1$ K.f. + c.s. "mix"

Note also that $B \in H^2$ has 22-degrees of freedom but $J \in H^{1,1}$ has only 20.

$\hookrightarrow B + iJ$ cannot be naturally built.

Actually these problems may be overcome to build

$$\mathcal{M}_{K3} = O(4, 20, \mathbb{Z}) \setminus O(4, 20) / O(4) \times O(20)$$

- Just like a heterotic torus!
(No one quite knows why)

Now let us go to complex dim 3.

There are many (infinite?) CY 3-folds.

Some are just obtained from earlier ones - torus, torus $\times$ K3 / $\mathbb{Z}_k$

Ignore these by putting $b' = 0 \Rightarrow h^{2,0} = 0$.

$\pi_2(X)$ finite (or 0)

3-fold is not flat & we do not have $N=4$.

This makes σ -model worse.

$$w \quad \beta_{ij} = -\frac{1}{2\pi} R_{ij} - \frac{4\beta(3)}{3(4\pi)^4} \partial_i \partial_j \left[R_{klmn} R^{p\bar{q}\bar{n}} R_p{}^k{}_q{}^m - R_{klmn} R^{m\bar{a}p\bar{q}} R_{p\bar{q}}{}^{k\bar{l}} \right]$$

at metric

to 4-loop

+ ...

= 0

X is no longer Ricci-flat. It becomes κ at L.R.L.

X is a CY with a deformed metric. (4-loop term not abstracted).

However, even perturbation theory breaks down.

Action S has local minimum if x is a holomorphic map

Tree level

$x: \Sigma \rightarrow \Gamma \subset X$ Γ is a "rational curve"

$$S = 2\pi i \int_{\Sigma} (B + iJ) - 2\pi i \int_{\Gamma} (B + iJ)$$

relation function depends on this quantity as $e^{-S} = e^{2\pi i \int_{\Gamma} (B + iJ)}$

this effect, introduce e_k - a basis for $H^2(X, \mathbb{Z})$, $k=1, \dots, h^{1,1}$

$$\text{Put } B + iJ = \sum_k (B + iJ)_k e_k$$

$$\text{and } q_k = e^{2\pi i (B + iJ)_k}$$

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Instanton effects will be polynomial in q_k^s .

Since $h^{2,0} = 0$, K.f. & c.s. do not interfere with each other (except at special pts in $\mathcal{M}$)

and we may factorize $\mathcal{M} = \mathcal{M}_{K.f.} \times \mathcal{M}_{c.s.}$

~~also~~ The $N=(2,2)$ theory may be twisted into a T.A.F.T.

$$T(z) \rightarrow T(z) \pm \frac{1}{2} \partial \bar{J}(z) \quad \bar{T}(\bar{z}) \rightarrow \bar{T}(\bar{z}) + \frac{1}{2} \partial \bar{J}(\bar{z})$$

The 2 sign choices give A-model or B-model.

The moduli space of these T.A.F.T.'s (preserving CFT)

are $\mathcal{M}_{K.f.}$ & $\mathcal{M}_{c.s.}$ respectively.

B-model knows about c.s. of X. It has no instantons.

A-model knows about K.f. of X. It has instanton dep

(i.e. q_k dep.)

- only converges for small $|q_k|$
i.e. large J_k , i.e. large radius

$\therefore \mathcal{M}_{c.s.}$ is found classically - just like the torus.

Finding $\mathcal{M}_{K.f.}$ is the subject to be studied.

11/3 Take particular example "Quintic 3-fold"

defined by $W = x_0^5 + x_1^5 + \dots + x_4^5 = 0$ in $\mathbb{P}^4$.

has 101 deformations of c.s. (= d.f.s of W) $h^{2,1} = 101$
 has 1 def of K.f. - size of $\mathbb{P}^4$ $h^{1,1} = 1$

Let us first use Witten's LINEAR σ -model.

$N = (2, 2)$ field theory

6 chiral superfields $x_0, \dots, x_4, p = \Phi_i$

$U(1)$ gauge symmetry $+1, \dots, +1, -5$

$$S = \int d^2z d^4\theta \sum_i \bar{\Phi}_i \Phi_i - \frac{1}{4e^2} \int d^2z d^4\theta \bar{\Sigma} \Sigma \quad \left[\text{we will confuse superfields and 'bracket' comp} \right]$$

$$- \int d^2z d^2\theta^+ \underbrace{W(\Phi_i)}_{\text{notation?}} + \frac{i}{2\sqrt{2}} (\beta + i\gamma) \int d^2z d\theta^+ d\bar{\theta}^- \Sigma + \text{h.c.}$$

$$\Sigma = \frac{1}{2\sqrt{2}} \{ \bar{\mathcal{D}}_+, \mathcal{D}_- \} \quad \text{super-(field-strength) of } U(1) \text{ gauge}$$

$W = p(x_0^5 + x_1^5 + \dots + x_4^5)$ - has 101 d.f.s as above
 $\beta + i\gamma$ is " $B + i\tilde{D}$ " degree of freedom.

Look at vacuum - minimize potential.

$$U = \mathcal{D}^2 + \sum \left| \frac{\partial W}{\partial \Phi_i} \right|^2 + \dots$$

$$= \left[|x_0|^2 + \dots + |x_4|^2 - 5|p|^2 - r \right]^2 + |W|^2 + |p|^2 \sum_{i=0}^4 \left| \frac{\partial W}{\partial x_i} \right|^2 + \dots$$

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For $r \gg 0$ one of $x_i \neq 0 \Rightarrow p = 0$

$$|x_0|^2 + \dots + |x_4|^2 = r \quad \text{is } S^1 / U(1) \quad S^1/S^1 \simeq \mathbb{P}^4$$

Also $W = 0 \Rightarrow$ quintic target space - as required

For $r \ll 0$ $p \neq 0 \Rightarrow x_i = 0 \forall i$

$$|p| = r$$

$U(1)$ degree of freedom allows us to fix p .

Target space is a point

Potential $|W|^2$ gives Landau-Ginzburg type modes around pt. - excitations in x_i

Note that p had charge 5 $\Rightarrow$ fixing p by $U(1)$ leaving $\mathbb{Z}_5$ acting on x_i 's.

$\Rightarrow$ Theory is a Landau-Ginzburg theory of $x_0, \dots, x_4$ with potential W , divided by $\mathbb{Z}_5$ action: $(x_0, \dots, x_4) \mapsto (\alpha x_0, \dots, \alpha x_4)$
 $\alpha = e^{2\pi i/5}$

Thus $r \gg 0$ appears to have a different geom. interpretation to $r \ll 0$.

Instantons: For $r \gg 0$ one may show are given by $\bar{\partial} x_i = 0$ i.e. holomorphic maps as in σ -model

However, there is a subtle difference, the ~~inst~~ x_i 's may all simultaneously vanish for an instanton, but not (by defn of $\mathbb{P}^4$) for a rational curve. $\therefore$ These linear σ -model instantons have a

little extra bit to them. However, these extra bits are "massive" (cp. original den & vacuum) — vary $\sim \frac{1}{\sqrt{r}}$ in size.
 $\therefore$ Instantons = A-model type + "massive" chao.

At LG orb we also have instantons

$$\bar{\partial} p = 0$$

* $V_{1,2}$ = Weierstrass field theory of $U(1) = e^2(-5|p|^2 - r)$
 "Nielsen - Olsen abelian vortex line"

Also appear to be "massive" scale $\sim \frac{1}{\sqrt{r}}$

At $r = +\infty$ we have exactly CY theory

At $r = -\infty$ we have exactly LG theory

For finite r , we have instanton corrections to this state of affairs.

Does anything funny happen for finite r ?

Yes — there is a field σ in the Σ supermultiplet we have ignored. This has a mass $\sim \sum Q_i^2 |\Phi_i|^2 = 25|p|^2 + |x_0|^2 + |x_4|^2$

At $r \neq 0$, this field suddenly becomes massive — vacuum is suddenly so!

Actually there are a couple of additions to be noted here

Firstly there are "tadpole" diagrams

$$\text{---} \bigcirc \varphi_i = x_i, p$$

$D = \text{aux. field in } \Sigma$

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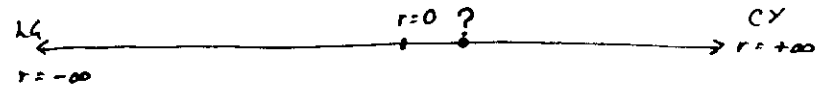
These result in a shift in r by $\frac{1}{2\pi} \sum_i Q_i \log Q_i$
 $= \frac{5}{2\pi} \log 5$

When the theory is analyzed properly for large $|o|$ min. energy density of a state at large $|o|$ is $\sim r^2 + \beta^2$

Thus $\beta = 0$ for "regularizing" too.

Thus, the funny thing actually happens at

$$\underline{\underline{\beta + ir = \frac{5i}{2\pi} \log 5}}$$



Remember Remember that this is NOT the ell of CFT's known — the linear σ -model is not conformally inv.

To find $\mathcal{M}_{X,Y}$ we may apply mirror symmetry.

$\exists Y$ — "the mirror of X "

such that $\mathcal{M}_{X,Y}(X) = \mathcal{M}_{C.S.}(Y) \quad \Delta \text{ v.v.}$

The mirror of quintic is the quintic $(\mathbb{Z}/5)^3$

gen. by $(x_0, x_1, x_2, x_3, x_4) \mapsto$
 $(\alpha x_0, \alpha^2 x_1, \dots)$
 $(\alpha x_0, x_1, \alpha^3 x_2, \dots)$
 $(\alpha x_0, x_1, x_2, \alpha^4 x_3, \dots)$

General W inv. under this is

$$W = x_0^5 + x_1^5 + \dots + x_n^5 - 5\psi x_0 x_1 x_2 x_3 x_4$$

ψ gives $\mathcal{M}_{c.s.}(\psi)$

how does $\beta + i\tau$ depend on ψ ?

Firstly let's make a single valued function for moduli space.

$\beta + i\tau$ appears in action as $i\beta \int \psi_0 d^2z$

$$\int \psi_0 d^2z = \int \text{curvature of field strength } d^2z$$

$$= 2\pi \int c_1 d^2z \in 2\pi\mathbb{Z} - \text{a topological invariant}$$

$\therefore$ Periodically does not contribute $-2\pi i \beta \cdot \mathbb{Z}$

Non- ψ only contributes as e

$$\Rightarrow \beta \cong \beta + 1$$

$\therefore$ Let us introduce $z = e^{2\pi i(\beta + i\tau)}$

From W , we have symmetry $(x_0, x_1, x_2, x_3, x_4) \mapsto (\alpha x_0, \dots)$

taking $\psi \mapsto \alpha^{-5} \psi$

$$\therefore \psi \cong \alpha \psi$$

$\therefore \psi^5$ is a good co-ordinate

From G.P. construction, we know that $\psi = 0$ is L.G. minor
At $\psi = 1$, W forms a singular space. CFT is bad $r = \frac{5}{24} \log 5$
 $\psi = \infty$ is the only other interesting pt $\Rightarrow$ CY-theory at $r = \infty$

(also see it is ∞ distance in Zam metric)

3//7. $\therefore z = \frac{1}{(5\psi)^5}$ is obvious choice

anything else will cause extra identifications

So, we have a map between $\mathcal{M}$ of linear σ -model $\beta + i\tau$ space
& $\mathcal{M}_{c.s.}(\psi)$.

It is very simple! Algebraic.

In a way it would be nice to stop here. Formulate physics in terms of $z = \exp 2\pi i(\beta + i\tau)$.

(Unfortunately) we use $\beta + i\tau$.

We thus need Riccati-Fuchs eqn.

This may be determined as in terms

$$(z \frac{d}{dz})^4 - 5z (z \frac{d}{dz} + \frac{1}{5}) \cdot (z \frac{d}{dz} + \frac{4}{5}) = 0$$

$$\hookrightarrow \pi_0 = {}_4F_3\left(\frac{1}{5}, \frac{2}{5}, \frac{3}{5}, \frac{4}{5}; 1, 1, 1; 5z\right)$$

Other relations go as $\log z, \log^2 z, \log^3 z$.

If we assume that the funny "massive" instantons in the linear σ -model are unimportant at large radius, we must have

$$q = z + O(z^2)$$

This gives which periods to use completely

$$B+iJ = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \cdot \frac{w_1}{w_0}$$

$$w_1 = \log z \cdot w_0 + 5 \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(5n)!}{(n!)^5} z^n \{ \mathbb{F}(5n+1) - \mathbb{F}(n+1) \}$$

This gives

$$q = z + 770z^2 + 1014275z^3 + \dots$$

converges for $|z| < 5^{-5}$

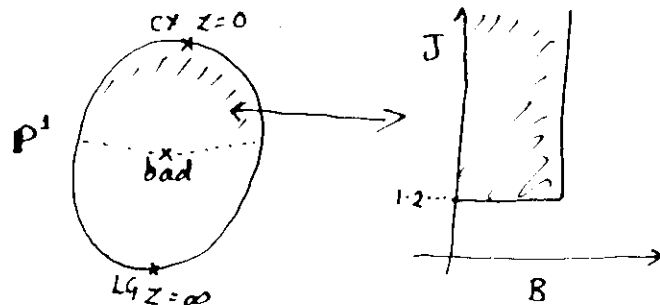
The boundary of the region of convergence is marked by the bad point at $\gamma=1$.

Here one may determine that

$$B+iJ = i \cdot (1.2056)$$

Thus, for $J > 1.2 \cdot 4\pi i$ we may identify points in $\mathcal{M}$ corresponding to such $(B+iJ)^5$ $0 \leq B < 1$.

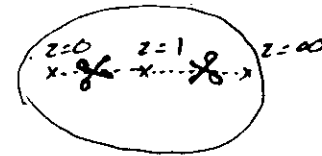
We have labelled all points on upper hemisphere



For what about lower hemisphere?

We may analytically continue the hypergeometric functions by Barnes's contour integrals

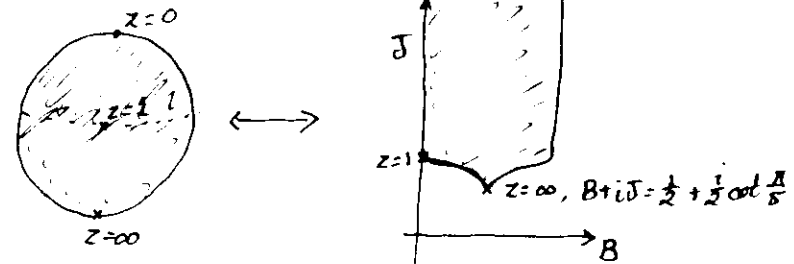
3.19. We need branch cuts to be able to do this. We have already cut from $z=0$ to $z=1$. Put other cut in by



Do this by imposing $-\frac{2\pi}{5} < \arg \gamma < 0$

$$B+iJ = \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{2} \left\{ \cot \frac{\pi}{5} + \frac{\Gamma(\frac{2}{5})\Gamma(\frac{3}{5})}{\Gamma(\frac{1}{5})\Gamma(\frac{4}{5})} (\cot \frac{\pi}{5} - \cot \frac{2\pi}{5}) e^{\frac{\pi i}{5} \gamma + \alpha(\gamma^2)} \right\}$$

Then we get full map



Thus we get full moduli space of $B+iJ$.

Note that $J \geq \frac{1}{2} \cot \frac{\pi}{5}$ - i.e. we have a minimum size but that something special happened at $J=1.2$ anyway.

This region may look a bit like that for torus but there is a difference.

The torus could be written as $H/SL(2, \mathbb{Z})$.

The region for quintic periods directly be written in this form of space/modulus group.

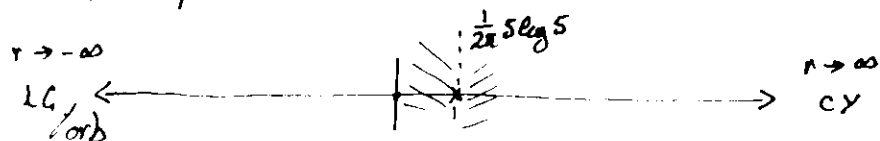
Instantons appear to muck up such a possibility.

As a curiosity, one may write this region ~~bridge~~

1. Phase

Last time we had $h''=1$. r diagram

was simple:



If $h'' > 1$ we have more "r" parameters
i.e. the gauge group in linear σ -model is
 $U(1)$ and we can add lots of
twisted F terms

$$g. X = z_0^4 + z_1^4 + z_2^4 + z_3^4 + z_4^4 \subset \mathbb{P}^4_{\{2,2,1,1,1\}}$$

$$k = 2, 2, 6, 6, 6$$

$$\frac{2}{2} + \frac{2}{2} + \frac{3}{3} + \frac{3}{3} + \frac{3}{3}$$

$$\frac{2}{2} + \frac{2}{2} + \frac{2}{2} + \frac{3}{3} + \frac{3}{3}$$

$$\frac{1}{1} + \frac{1}{1} + \frac{1}{1} + \frac{1}{1} + \frac{1}{1}$$

$$p(z_0^4 + z_1^4 + z_2^4 + z_3^4 + z_4^4)$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} -8 & 0 & 0 & 0 & -2 & 1 & 1 \\ -4 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

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$$\text{Minor of } X = z_0^4 + z_1^4 + z_2^4 + z_3^4 + z_4^4 - 8z_0z_1z_2z_3z_4 - 2z_3^4z_4^4$$

$$\frac{1}{z_3 z_4} (\beta + i\gamma)_1 = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \log \frac{1}{4\varphi^2}$$

$$z_1 = \frac{1}{4}\varphi^2$$

$$(\beta + i\gamma)_2 = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \log \left(-\frac{\varphi}{2^{11/4}} \right)$$

$$z_2 = -\frac{\varphi^{11/4}}{2^{11/4}}$$

by hypothesized
non-div map.

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$$D_1 = |q_3|^2 + |q_4|^2 - 2|s|^2 - r_1 = 0$$

$$D_2 = |q_1|^2 + |q_2|^2 + |q_3|^2 + |s|^2 - 4|p|^2 - r_2 = 0$$

$$r_1 < 0 \Rightarrow s \neq 0$$

$$r_1 + 2r_2 = |q_3|^2 + |q_4|^2 + 2(|q_1|^2 + |q_2|^2 + |q_3|^2) - 8|p|^2$$

$$r_1 + 2r_2 < 0 \Rightarrow p \neq 0$$

$$p \frac{\partial W}{\partial z_i} = 0 \Rightarrow z_0 = z_1 = z_2 = z_3 = z_4 = 0$$

L.G. phase.

$$r_1 + 2r_2 > 0 \Rightarrow \sum |q_i|^2 = 0$$

i.e. not all q_i^2 are zero.

$$r_1 < 0 \Rightarrow s \neq 0$$

$$\Rightarrow p = 0$$

$\Rightarrow W = 0$ for some fixed s .

~ hypersurface in $\mathbb{P}^4_{\{2,2,2,1,1\}}$

- has orbifold $(\mathbb{Z}_2)$ along

$$z_3 = z_4 = 0 \Rightarrow z_1 = z_2 = 0$$

orbifold plane.

$$r_1 > 0 \Rightarrow |q_3|^2 + |q_4|^2 > 0 \text{ i.e. } q_3, q_4 \text{ not both zero.}$$

$$r_2 < 0 \Rightarrow p \neq 0 \Rightarrow q_0 = q_1 = q_2 = 0. \quad s = 0.$$

~ $\mathbb{P}^1$ with $[q_3, q_4]$ as coord

LG potential $q_0^4 + q_1^4 + q_2^4 + s^4/z_4$

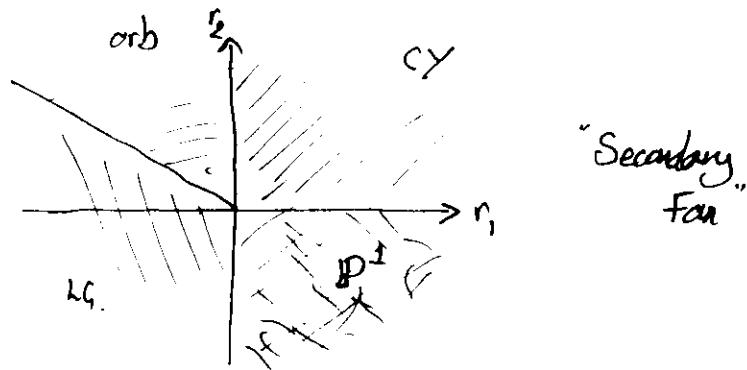
$$r_1 > 0 \Rightarrow |q_3|^2 + |q_4|^2 > 0 \text{ i.e. } q_3, q_4 \text{ not both zero.}$$

$$r_2 > 0 \Rightarrow q_1, q_2, q_3, q_4 \text{ not all zero.}$$

$$\} p = 0.$$

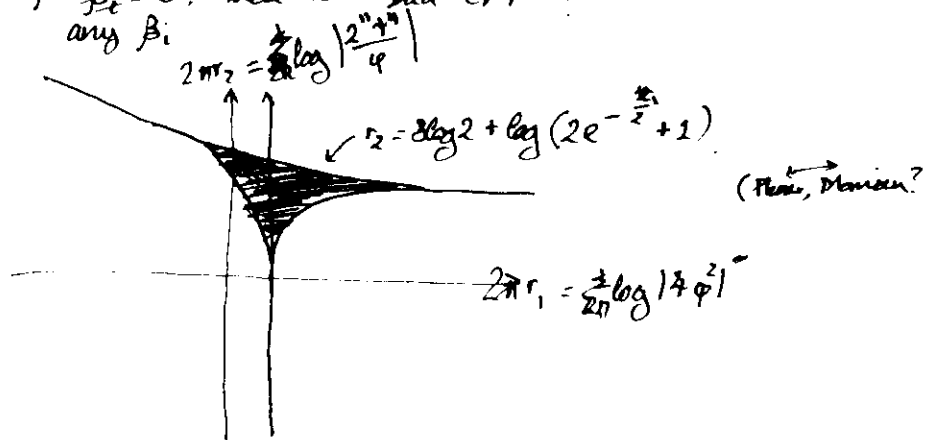
arg from $q_0^4 + q_1^4 + q_2^4 + q_3^4 + q_4^4 = 0$ we have $s = 0 \sim \text{CY}$

so roughly we have a "phase diagram"



with 4 phases - only one of which is a CY manifold.

Again we ~~put~~ have conditions that move singularities.
I.e. for $\beta_i = 0$, where we had CFT's?
any β_i



The above plots the discrimin. of $W(x_i)$
checked against key M.R.P.

4/1/4. Let us describe each phase

1. CY phase - rational curve instantons no quiver
2. LG. phase - twist field instantons as before.
3. Orbifold - both present - rational curves in target space + twist fields around $\mathbb{Z}_2$ -ring.
4. $\mathbb{D}^1$ - both - rational curve ITSELF!
+ twist field in LG fibre.

Note region in the middle where we have "no" interpretation as model + finite instantons.

All the above have the same right to be called the mirror of Y .

P.F. may be solved:

$$q_1 = z_1 + 2z_1^2 + 48z_1z_2 + 5z_1^3 + 7560z_1z_2^2 + \dots$$

$$q_2 = z_2 - z_1z_2 + 104z_2^2 - z_1^2z_2 - 56z_1z_2^2 + 15183z_2^3 + \dots$$

4.115. Let us now do the same thing in 5 dim' $\mathcal{M}$.

eg. X is $W = x_0^3 + x_1^3 + x_2^6 + x_3^9 + x_4^{18} \subset \mathbb{P}_{\{6,6,3,2,1\}}^4$

Witten linear σ -model analysis too difficult (use some methods?).
 $U(1)^5$

We have 100 cones in secondary fan.

5 correspond to CY manifolds
 related by flops.

A flop is similar to $\mathcal{O}(-2)$ blow-up of $\mathbb{C}^2/\mathbb{Z}_2$.

Rather than $xy - z^2 = 0$ in $\mathbb{C}^3$ ($\cong \mathbb{C}^2/\mathbb{Z}_2$)

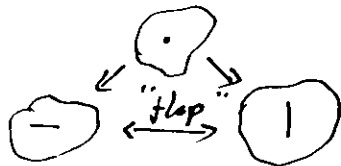
put $xy - wz = 0$ in $\mathbb{C}^4$
 - singularity in 3 dim's

- may blow-up to $\mathcal{O}(-1, -1)$

I.e. $\mathcal{O}(-1, -1) \cong \{[a, b], (x, y), (s, t) \in \mathbb{P}^1 \times \mathbb{C}^2 \times \mathbb{C}^2 \mid$
 $ay = bx, at = bs\}$

This puts $\mathbb{P}^1$ where x, y was

However, this can be done in two different ways leading
 to a "flop"



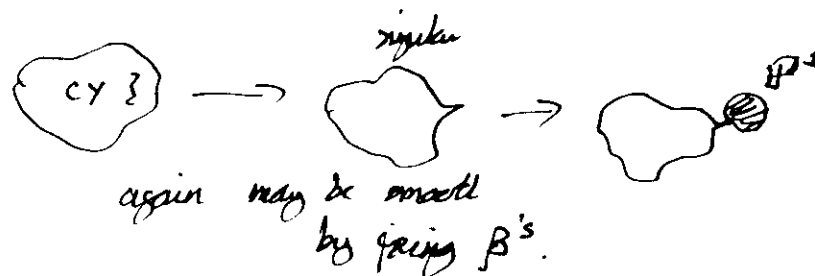
4.116.

Thus any S can be the minimal manifold of Y .
 All fit into the same moduli space.

- all have instanton curves
 only at most one is convergent.

- "95%" of time none are.

We have other birational possibilities, LG, orb & hybrid
 as before. Plus EXFLOP.



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Conclusions

- The moduli space of $N=(2,2)$ is best described algebraically - No metric on X .
- Naturally divides into phases only some (if any) of which are CY manifolds

