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# Donaldson-Thomas transformations for moduli spaces of $G$ -local systems on surfaces

## 1. Moduli spaces of (framed) $G$ -local systems

- decorated surface

$$(S, m)$$

closed oriented  
top. surface w/  
or w/o boundary

a finite subset of  $S$



$$m = m_b \sqcup m_p$$

pts on the  
boundary

points inside  
"punctures"

- $G$  connected, split semisimple alg gp e.g.  $G = \mathrm{PGL}_m$   
flag variety  $B_G = G/B$

$$= \{ \text{Borel subgps} \}$$

$$\mathcal{L} \in \mathrm{Hom}(\pi_1(S-m), G)$$

$G$ -local system

$$\mathcal{L}_B = \mathcal{L}_G \times B_G \quad \text{associated bundle}$$

framed  $G$ -local system

$$(\mathcal{L}, \{B_i\}_{i \in m})$$

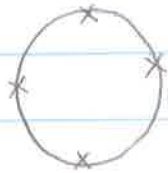
$B_i$ : a flat section of  $\mathcal{L}_B$  near  $i \in m$

in parti, if  $i \in m_p$ .  $B_i$  is invariant under  $g_i$

$$\mathcal{X}_{G,S} := \{ \text{framed } G\text{-local systems} \} / \mathrm{Inn} G$$

Examples:

1)  $\hat{S} = D_n$  disc with  $n$ -marked pts on Boundary



$$\text{Conf}(B) = G \backslash B^n := X_{G, D_n}$$

2)  $G = \text{PGL}_2$

$$X_{G, \hat{S}} \sim M^b(\text{PGL}_2(\mathbb{C}), \hat{S})$$

{ Hitchin system + data }

3)  $X_{G, \hat{S}}$  is a positive space

$$X_{G, \hat{S}}(\mathbb{R}_{>0}) := \text{Higher Teichmüller space.}$$

Assumptions:

1)  $G = \text{PGL}_m$

2)  $\hat{S}$  satisfies

i) each boundary comp of  $S$  has at least one marked pt.

ii)  $\#m \geq 1$

iii)  $2 \text{ genus}(\hat{S}) + 1 \geq 3$

Thm: (Fock - Goncharov)  $X_{G, \hat{S}}$  admits a canonical cluster Poisson structure (i.e. it is a cluster  $X$ -variety)

Remark: Each cluster  $X$ -variety has a set of local coordinates parametrized by seeds

$$\begin{array}{c} \vdots \\ \text{---} (\{x_i\}, B) \\ \vdots \end{array} \begin{array}{l} \swarrow \mu_n \\ \searrow \mu_1 \\ \dots \mu_2 \end{array}$$

$B^T = -B \iff$  quivers without loops or two-cycles  
 $\{\text{vertices}\} = I \quad [b_{ij}]_+ = \max(b_{ij}, 0)$   
 $= \# \text{ arrows } i \rightarrow j$ .

There is a natural Poisson struct. encoded by  $B$

$$\{x_i, x_j\} = 2b_{ij} x_i x_j$$

$$(\{x_i\}, B) \xrightarrow{M_K} (\{x'_i\}, B')$$

$$\{x_i, x_j\} = 2b_{ij} x_i x_j \iff \{x'_i, x'_j\} = 2b'_{ij} x'_i x'_j$$

Quivers for  $\text{Conf}_3$

$$G = \text{PGL}_m$$



Thm (Goncharov-S) The tropicalization of  
 $(\text{Conf}_3 + \text{superpotential}) \implies$   
 Knutson-Tao Hives


The same works for all  $G$ .

Remark: The proof didnot use cluster theory. Use  
 geometric Satake eqv correspondance  
 $\{\text{MV-cycles}\} \longleftrightarrow \{\text{Conf}_3^{wt \geq 0}\}$

Quivers for  $X_{G, \hat{S}}$ :

- choose an ideal triangulation  $\mathcal{T}$



- replace each triangle by 

$\implies$  get a quiver  $Q_{\mathcal{T}}$

If  $J$  &  $J'$  are two ideal triangulations then  $Q_J$  &  $Q_{J'}$  are equivalent.

They are connected by 2-by-2 move



## 2. Natural actions on $\mathcal{X}_{G, \hat{S}}$

•  $\Gamma_S$ : mapping class gp of  $S-m$

$\cong$

$\mathcal{X}_{G, \hat{S}}$

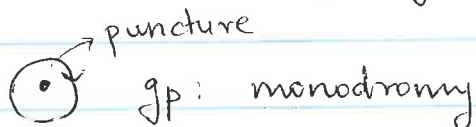
$$\text{Out}(G) := \text{Aut}(G) / \text{Inn}(G)$$

$\mathcal{X}_{G, \hat{S}}$

e.g.  $G = \text{PGL}_m$ ,  $\text{Out}(G) = \mathbb{Z}/2$  if  $m > 2$

$$* : g \mapsto (g^{-1})^t$$

• birational Weyl gp action



Fact: If  $g_p$  is generic then  $\{B \mid g_p \cdot B = B\}$  is  $W$ -torsor (i.e.  $W$  acts on the set)

$$(\mathcal{L}, \{B_i\}_{i \in m})$$

for  $w \in W$ ,  $p \in m_p$

$$(\mathcal{L}, \{B_i\}_{i \in m}) \mapsto (\mathcal{L}, \{B'_i\})$$

$$B'_i = B_i \quad \text{if } i \neq p$$

$$B'_p = W(B_p)$$

e.g.  $G = \text{PGL}_m$   $W = S_m$  symm gp.

A choice of gp-invariant  $B \Leftrightarrow$  ordering of eigenlines.

Summary:

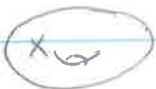

$$K := (\Gamma_S \times \text{Out}(G)) \times W^{\text{mp}} \curvearrowright X_{G, \hat{S}}$$

Goal: study  $K$ .

Thm: (Fock - Goncharov):  $\Gamma_S$  acts on  $X_{G, \hat{S}}$  by cluster transformations

- (i.e. 1.  $\Gamma_S$  preserves Poisson structure of  $X_{G, \hat{S}}$   
2. Can be presented by a seq. of class of mutations (or sometimes permutations)

Remark: All birational maps satisfying 1. & 2. above form a <sup>discrete</sup> group called the cluster modular group  $\mathcal{G}$ .  $\Gamma_S \subset \mathcal{G}$

Assumption: If  $S$  has no boundaries, then  $\#m \geq 2$   
e.g. exclude  or 

Thm: (Goncharov-S)  $K$  acts by cluster transformation  
i.e.  $K \subset \mathcal{G}$

Remarks: D)  $G = \text{PGL}_2$ ,  $\text{Out}(G) = 1$

The cluster nature of  $\mathbb{Z}/2$  is proved by Fock - Goncharov.



If  $G = \text{PGL}_2$ ,  $(\mathbb{Z}/2)^{mp}$ -action corresponds to tagged ideal triangulation.

2) For  $\text{Conf}_3$ , the  $*$ -action from  $\text{Out}(G)$  is the Schützenberger involution of Gelfand patterns (related to Cactus group)

3) There is a nice element of  $K$

$$C_{G, \hat{s}} := (r_s, *, \{w_0\}) \in K$$

$\downarrow$  non-id       $\downarrow$  longest elt  
 cyclic shift by 1 for each comp.

$$C_{G, \hat{s}} \in \text{Center}(G)$$



Th<sup>m</sup>  $C_{G, \hat{s}}$  is the DT-transformation for  $\chi_{G, \hat{s}}$

Ex  $\hat{s}$ : (not covered in the thm)

$\oint C = W_0$  is DT

(due to personal conversation bet Goncharov - Kontsevich)

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# Donaldson-Thomas transformations for moduli spaces of $G$ -local systems on surfaces

## 1. Quantization of cluster $X$ -variety (Fock - Goncharov)

We have  $(\Lambda, (*, *))$



Lattice skew-symm form

→ Quantum torus algebra  $T_\Lambda$ , a  $\mathbb{Q}(q)$ -free module with basis  $\{X_v, v \in \Lambda\}$

product relation:  $X_v \cdot X_w = q^{(v,w)} X_{v+w}$

$$\lim_{q \rightarrow 1} \frac{X_v X_w - X_w X_v}{q-1} = 2(v,w) X_{v+w}$$

(recovers the Poisson structure)

Geometric quiver: without loops   
or two cycles 

$B$  skew-symm matrices  $\leftrightarrow$   $(\Lambda, (*, *), \{e_i\}) : \mathbb{Q}$   
 $b_{ij} = (e_i, e_j)$

$T_{\mathbb{Q}} \cong T_\Lambda$  with basis  $\{X_i := X_{e_i}\}$

• Quiver mutations:

$$\mathbb{Q}' = \mu_k(\mathbb{Q}) = (\Lambda, (*, *), \{e_i'\})$$

$$e_i' = \begin{cases} -e_k & i = k \\ e_i + [c_{e_i, e_k}]_+ e_k & i \neq k \end{cases}$$

$$[a]_+ = \max\{a, 0\}$$

It recovers the mutation of  $B$

$$\text{Let } i_k: T_{\mathbb{Q}} \cong T_\Lambda \cong T_{\mathbb{Q}'}$$



Rem:  $M_k$  is not the only natural way to recover the mutation of  $B$

$$M_k^-(e_i) := \begin{cases} -e_k & i=k \\ e_i + [- (e_i, e_k)]_+ e_k & i \neq k \end{cases}$$

$$M_k^\pm \rightsquigarrow \Phi_k^\pm \quad (\text{from Tom's talk})$$

• Quantum dilogarithm series  $\Psi(x)$

It is the unique formal power series over  $\mathbb{Q}(q)$

1) starting with 1

$$2) \Psi(q^2 x) = (1+qx) \Psi(x)$$

$$\Psi(x) = \frac{1}{(1+qx)(1+q^3x)(1+q^5x)\dots}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \Psi(x) &= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{q^{n^2} x^n}{|GL_n(\mathbb{F}_{q^2})|} \\ &= \exp\left(\sum_{n \geq 1} \frac{(-1)^{n+1}}{n(q^n - q^{-n})} x^n\right) \end{aligned}$$

• Quantum cluster mutation

$$\Phi_k := \text{Ad}_{\Psi(x_k)} \circ \tilde{i}_k : \text{Frac}(T_{Q'}) \longrightarrow \text{Frac}(T_Q)$$

$$= \text{Ad}_{\Psi(x_k^{-1})}^{-1} \circ \tilde{i}_k^{-1}$$

Fact 1) The  $\lim_{q \rightarrow 1}$  recovers the mutation of  $x$  variable

$$2) \Phi_k^2 = \text{Id}$$

2. Donaldson - Thomas transformations (Kontsevich - Soibelman)  
(Keller & Nagao. . .)

$(Q, W)$  quiver with potential  
 $\downarrow$   
 Ginzburg DG-algebra (path alg with  $\partial W$ )  
 $\downarrow$  Rep  
 $C(Q, W)$  3d CY category  
 $\downarrow$

$(K_0(C), (*, *)), [S_i]$   
 $\downarrow$  lattice  $\sum_{i=0}^3 (-1)^{i+1} \text{rk Ext}^i$  simple objects

Fact: The triple recovers the quiver  $Q$

$T_\Lambda$  with algebraic generators  $\{X_{[S_i]}\}$   
 $\widehat{R_{Q,q}} = \{ \text{formal power series starting with 1} \}$   
 $= \{ 1 + \sum_{\alpha \in \Lambda^+} f_\alpha X_\alpha, f_\alpha \in \mathbb{Q}(q) \}$   
 $\downarrow$   $\Lambda^+ = \bigoplus \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0} [S_i]$

this is a group & center  $(\widehat{R}) = 1$

Stability condition:

$S: K_0(C(Q, W)) \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$  such that  
 $S[S_i] \in \mathbb{H}$

DT-invariants:  $\forall \gamma \in \Lambda^+ \subset K_0(C)$

$\Omega_S(\gamma)$ : "virtual count of semistable objects  
 with class  $\gamma$ "  
 $\downarrow$   
 quantum version  $\Omega_S(\gamma) \in \mathbb{Q}(q)$

Thm (Kontsevich - Soihelman) [Wall-crossing formula]  
 All DT can be packaged in a power series  $\in \widehat{R}_{Q,g}$

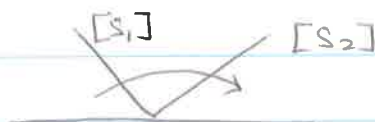
$$E_Q = \prod_{\substack{\text{rays} \\ \text{CH}}} \left( \prod_{\substack{r \in \Lambda^+ \\ s(r) \in \Lambda}} \Psi(x_r)^{e \cdot \Omega_s(r)} \right)$$

Here  $\Psi(x) = \exp \left( \sum_{i \geq 1} \frac{(-1)^i}{q^i - q^{-i}} x^i \right)$

$$\Psi(x)^{e \cdot \Omega(q)} = \exp \left( \sum_{i \geq 1} \frac{(-1)^i \Omega(q^i)}{q^i - q^{-i}} x^i \right)$$

- $E_Q$  is independent of the choice of stability
- Given  $E_Q$ , can recover all  $\Omega_s(\mathcal{X})$

Ex.  $1 \rightarrow 2$



$$E_Q = \Psi(x_{s_1}) \Psi(x_{s_2}) \\ = \Psi(x_{s_2}) \Psi(x_{s_1+s_2}) \Psi(x_{s_1})$$



- Mutation of quivers with potential

$$(Q, w) \rightsquigarrow (Q', w') = \mu_k(Q, w) \\ (k_0, (*, *), [s_i]) \xrightarrow{\mu_k} (k_0, (*, *), [s'_i]) \\ \Lambda_Q^+ \qquad \qquad \qquad \Lambda_{Q'}^+$$

Consider the intersection

$$\widehat{R}_{Q,g} \cap \widehat{R}_{Q',g} := \left\{ 1 + \sum_{\alpha \in \Lambda_Q^+ \cap \Lambda_{Q'}^+} f_\alpha x_\alpha \right\}$$

Thm:  $\Psi(x_{s_k})^{-1} E_Q = E_{Q'} \Psi(x_{s'_k})^{-1} \in \widehat{R}_Q \cap \widehat{R}_{Q'} \quad (*)$

DT transformation:  $D_Q := \text{Ad}_{E_Q} \circ \Sigma$

$$\Sigma(x_v) = X_v^{-1}$$

Facts: 1.  $D_Q$  is not necessarily rational

2. If  $D_Q$  is rational, get  $D_Q: \text{Frac}(T_Q) \xrightarrow{\cong} \text{Frac}(T_Q)$

3. From  $(*)$ , get a commutative diag

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \text{Frac}(T_Q) & \xrightarrow{D_Q} & \text{Frac}(T_Q) \\ \Phi_k \downarrow & \circlearrowleft & \downarrow \Phi_k \\ \text{Frac}(T_{M_k(Q)}) & \xrightarrow{D_{T_{M_k(Q)}}} & \text{Frac}(T_{M_k(Q)}) \end{array}$$

$$\text{As } q \rightarrow 1, \quad \mathbb{Q}((\mathbb{C}^*)^n) \xrightarrow{D_Q} \mathbb{Q}((\mathbb{C}^*)^n)$$

$$M_k \downarrow \quad \circlearrowleft \quad \downarrow M_k$$

$$\mathbb{Q}((\mathbb{C}^*)^n) \longrightarrow \mathbb{Q}((\mathbb{C}^*)^n)$$

$\Rightarrow$  unique DT for cluster  $X$ -variety

Examples

1. For  $X_{G, \hat{s}}$ ,  $DT = C_{G, \hat{s}} = (r_s, *, \{w_0\})$

2. Grassmannian  $Gr(k, n)$

$\rightsquigarrow \text{Conf}_n(\mathbb{P}^m)$  cluster  $X$ -variety

"generalized pentagram map"

$$p: (l_1, l_2, \dots, l_m) \longmapsto (h_1, \dots, h_m)$$

$h_k := (l_1, \dots, l_{k-1})$  hyperplane in  $\mathbb{P}^m$ .

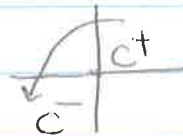
Thm (D. Weng)  $P = DT$  for  $\text{Conf}_n(\mathbb{P}^m)$

$$f \quad DT^{2n} = \text{Id}$$

Tropicalization of DT and Duality Conjecture

$$DT^{\dagger} : X_Q(\mathbb{Z}^L) \rightarrow X_Q(\mathbb{Z}^L)$$

$$DT(\mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0}^n) = \mathbb{Z}_{\leq 0}^n$$



If DT is a cluster transformation

then  $c^+, c^- \in \Delta^{\dagger}$  - cluster complex.

By (GHKK) :  $As_{Lm, \hat{s}}(\mathbb{Z}^L)$  parametrizes a basis  
of  $\mathcal{O}(X_{PGLm, \hat{s}})$

$As_{Lm, \hat{s}}$  - moduli space.

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