


On attractor points in the moduli space of CY 3-folds

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§1 Geometry of the moduli space of Calabi-Yau threefolds

$f: \mathcal{X} \rightarrow \mathcal{M}$ universal family of smooth proj. Calabi-Yau 3-folds of fixed diffeomorphism type. $(\mathbb{R}^3 \int_X \zeta, \mathcal{F}^\bullet, \mathcal{Q})$ polarized VHS with a canonical flat connection ∇ .

$\mathcal{L} = \mathcal{F}^3 \rightarrow \mathcal{M}$ holom. line bundle (Hodge bundle)

\mathcal{M} carries the structure of a projective special Kähler manifold.

Sections of \mathcal{L} : nowhere vanishing holom. 3-form Ω

HR bilinear relation \Rightarrow

$\langle \Omega, \bar{\Omega} \rangle := \int_X \Omega \wedge \bar{\Omega}$ hermitian metric on \mathcal{L}
view Ω as a local flat on \mathcal{M} .

$e^{-K} = \langle \Omega, \bar{\Omega} \rangle$ define a Kähler metric on \mathcal{M} $g_{i\bar{j}} = \partial_i \partial_{\bar{j}} K$. Weil-Petersson

Kodaira-Spencer theory $\Rightarrow T_{\mathcal{M}} \cong H^{2,1}(X_{\mathcal{S}})$ ^{metric}
 \Rightarrow basis for $H^{2,1}(X_{\mathcal{S}})$: $\chi_i = e^{K/2} \left(\partial_i \Omega - \frac{\langle \partial_i \Omega, \bar{\Omega} \rangle}{\langle \Omega, \bar{\Omega} \rangle} \bar{\Omega} \right)$
 $\Rightarrow g_{i\bar{j}} = -i \langle \chi_i, \bar{\chi}_j \rangle$

§2 Attractor points

Physics: $N=2$ supergravity on $\mathbb{R}^{1,3}$ with \sim
 $h^{2,1}(X)$ vector multiplets, parametrizing $\tilde{\mathcal{M}}$
Scalar fields in the vector multiplets
define a non linear σ model $z: \mathbb{R}^{1,3} \rightarrow \tilde{\mathcal{M}}$

Supersymmetric, static, spherically symmetric
black hole solutions characterized by
electric, magnetic charge $\gamma \in H_3(X, \mathbb{Z})$

$$\text{mass: } m^2 = |Z(\gamma; z)|^2$$

$$\text{where } Z(\gamma; z) := e^{k/2} \int_{\gamma} \Omega$$

D-brane central charge function
(function on $\tilde{\mathcal{M}}$)

Ferrara, Kallosh, Strominger 1995

There is a gradient flow on $\tilde{\mathcal{M}}$,
called attractor flow.

$$\mu \frac{\partial}{\partial \mu} z^i = -g^{i\bar{j}} \bar{\partial}_{\bar{j}} \log |Z(\gamma; z(\mu))|^2$$

The fixed points z_* of this flow are
called attractor points.

§3 Hodge-theoretic formulation

Thm (Marré '98)

$|Z(\gamma, z)|^2$ has stationary point at $z = z_*(\gamma) \in \tilde{\mathcal{M}}$
with $Z(\gamma, z_*) \neq 0 \iff$ (*)

$$PD(\gamma) \in H^{3,0}(X_{z_*}) \oplus H^{0,3}(X_{z_*}) \cap H^3(X_{z_*}, \mathbb{Z})$$

If $z_*(\gamma)$ exists in the interior of $\tilde{\mathcal{M}}$, then it is a local minimum of $|Z(\gamma, z)|^2$.

(interpretation of (*))

$$V_z = H^{3,0}(X_z) \oplus H^{0,3}(X_z) \quad \text{complex } \mathbb{Z}\text{-plane in } H^3(X, \mathbb{C})$$

$$V_{z, \mathbb{R}} = V_z \cap H^3(X, \mathbb{R}) \quad \text{real } \mathbb{Z}\text{-plane in } H^3(X, \mathbb{R})$$

$$\Lambda_z = V_{z, \mathbb{R}} \cap H^3(X, \mathbb{Z})$$

Def: $z \in \tilde{\mathcal{M}}$ is an attractor point of rank 1 or 2 if $\text{rank } \Lambda_z = 1$ or 2.

Rank 2 attractor points are rare:

First non-trivial example:

Candelas-de la Ossa-Elmir-van Straten (2019)

Simplifying assumption, $h^{2,1}(X) = 1$.

$$\Lambda_2 \otimes \mathbb{C} = H^{3,0}(X_2) \oplus H^{0,3}(X_2)$$

$$\Lambda_2^\perp \otimes \mathbb{C} = H^{2,1}(X_2) \oplus H^{1,2}(X_2)$$

$\Lambda_2 \oplus \Lambda_2^\perp \subset H^3(X, \mathbb{C})$ of finite index

$$\Rightarrow H^3(X, \mathbb{Q}) = \underbrace{\Lambda_{2, \mathbb{Q}}}_{H_1} \oplus \underbrace{\Lambda_{2, \mathbb{Q}}^\perp}_{H_2}$$

H_1 : HS of weight 3, type (1, 0, 0, 1)

\Rightarrow HS of a rigid Calabi-Yau 3-fold

H_2 : HS of weight 3, type (0, 1, 1, 0)

$H_2 \otimes \mathbb{Q}(1)$: " " 1, type (1, 1)

\Rightarrow HS of an elliptic curve

§4 Interlude: Modularity of elliptic curves

1) Tunn (Wiles - Taylor et al.)

E/\mathbb{Q} elliptic curve is modular:

$\exists f \in S_2(\Gamma_0(N))$ Hecke eigenform

N conductor of E s.t. $L(E, s) = L(f, s)$

$$E(\mathbb{C}) \cong \mathbb{C}/\Lambda_f, \quad \Lambda_f = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{H_1(X_0(N), \mathbb{Z})} f(z) dz$$

modular parametrization

$$\begin{array}{ccc} X_0(N) & \longrightarrow & E \\ [\tau] & \longmapsto & P_\tau = \int_{\infty}^{\tau} f(z) dz \pmod{\Lambda_f} \\ \infty & \longmapsto & 0 \end{array}$$

Main: $\Lambda_f = \mathbb{Z}\omega_f^+ \oplus \mathbb{Z}\omega_f^-$
 ω_f^\pm are periods of f .

2) Let $\mathcal{E} \rightarrow X_0(N)$ be a universal family of ell. curves with cyclic subgroup of order N

\exists special pts $[\tau] \in X_0(N)$, Heegner points, at which $\text{End}_K \mathcal{E}_{[\tau]} \neq \mathbb{Z}$

1) $\tau \in \mathbb{Q}(\sqrt{D})$, $D > 0$, $j(\tau) \in \overline{\mathbb{Q}}$

2) L/\mathbb{Q} number field, E/L elliptic curve
Assume E has CM by \mathcal{O}_K of KCL

Then $L(E/L, s) = L(\xi, \psi_{E/L}) L(s, \bar{\psi}_{E/L})$

$\psi_{E/L}$ Hecke Größencharakter.

Modularity of rigid CY 3folds ($h^{2,1}=0$)

Thm: (Gouvêa, Yin, Dieckelmann)

Let X/\mathbb{Q} be a rigid smooth proj.

CY 3fold. Then X is modular, i.e.

$\exists N, f \in S_4(\Gamma_0(N))$ s.t.

$$L(X, s) = L(f, s).$$

§5 Arithmetic properties of attractor points

For simplicity $h^{2d} = 1$

Conjecture (Deligne, Golyshev-Zagier,
Borish, Klemm, S, Zagier)

let π_Z be the period matrix of $f: X \rightarrow M$
in an integral symplectic basis.

let π_* be the period matrix of X_{Z^*}

let $\pi_* = M_* \pi_Z$

Then $\exists N_1, N_2, f \in S_4(\Gamma_0(N_1))$
 $g \in S_2(\Gamma_0(N_2))$

and a choice of basis of $H^3(X, \mathbb{Z})$ s.t.

$$M_* = \begin{pmatrix} \omega_f^+ & \omega_f^- & 0 & 0 \\ \eta_f^+ & \eta_f^- & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \tilde{\omega}_g^+ & \tilde{\omega}_g^- \\ 0 & 0 & \tilde{\eta}_g^+ & \tilde{\eta}_g^- \end{pmatrix}$$

where ω_f^\pm are periods of f , η_f^\pm are the
quasi-periods of a meromorphic partner F of f
Similarly for g, G s.t.

$$L(X_*, s) = L(f, s) L(g, s)$$

§6 Examples

Consider hypergeometric families of CY 3-folds

Assume ∇ has 3 regular singularities

$$\mathcal{M} = \mathbb{P}^1 \setminus \{0, 1, \infty\}, \quad \overline{\mathcal{M}} = \mathbb{P}^1$$

Thm: (Doran, Morrison)

\exists 14 \mathbb{Q} -VHS of Hodge type $(1, 1, 1, 1)$

$$\text{s.t. } (T_0 - 1)^4 = 0, \quad (T_0 - 1)^3 \neq 0$$

$$(T_1 - 1)^2 = 0, \quad (T_1 - 1) \neq 0$$

T_z : local monodromy of ∇ around $z \in \overline{\mathcal{M}}$

$\nabla_{\pi} = 0 \rightsquigarrow$ hypergeometric diff. eqn. $({}_4F_3)$

$$\left(\theta^4 - z \prod_{i=1}^4 (\theta - \alpha_i) \right) \pi = 0, \quad \theta = z \frac{d}{dz}$$

z local parameter near $0 \in \overline{\mathcal{M}}$.

Famous example (Candelas, de la Ossa, Green, Plesch '91)

$$\alpha_i = \frac{i}{5}, \quad i=1, 2, 3, 4.$$

Conjecture (Borisov, Klemm, S, Zagier)

$$\alpha = \left(\frac{1}{4}, \frac{1}{3}, \frac{2}{3}, \frac{3}{4} \right), \quad z = 2^{-4} 3^{-3}, \quad N_1 = 180, \quad N_2 = 36$$

$$\alpha = \left(\frac{1}{3}, \frac{1}{3}, \frac{2}{3}, \frac{2}{3} \right), \quad z = 2^{-3} 3^{-6}, \quad N_1 = N_2 = 54$$

Then the conjecture holds with explicitly given f, F, g, G .

Evidence: Numerically verified to very high precision (≈ 100 s of digits)

