

Chern-Euler intersection theory and Gromov-Witten invariants

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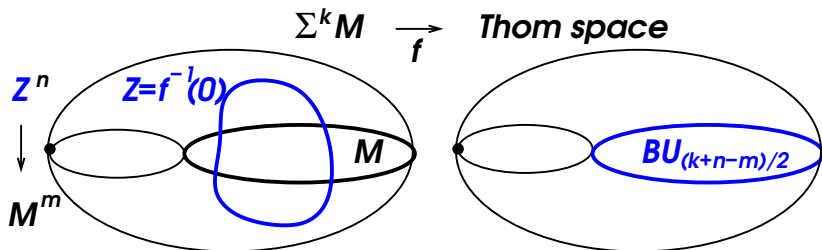
Complex cobordisms

$$U^*(M) := \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \Pi \left(\Sigma^k M, T(\text{universal } \mathbb{C}^{(k+*)/2} \text{ bundle}) \right)$$

Pontryagin – Thom construction:

M — compact stably almost complex m -fold

$$\Rightarrow U^{m-n}(M) = U_n(M)$$



Mishchenko's logarithm

$$z = u + [\mathbb{C}P^1] \frac{u^2}{2} + [\mathbb{C}P^2] \frac{u^3}{3} + [\mathbb{C}P^3] \frac{u^4}{4} + \dots$$

$$z \in H^*(\mathbb{C}P^\infty; \mathbb{Q} \otimes U^*(pt)) \xrightarrow{\text{Chern-Dold}^{-1}} U^*(\mathbb{C}P^\infty) \otimes \mathbb{Q} \ni u$$

Cohomological (z) and cobordism-valued (u)
universal 1st Chern classes

Poincaré-dual to hyperplane $\mathbb{C}P^{N-1} \subset \mathbb{C}P^N$

$$U^*(pt) \otimes \mathbb{Q} \cong \mathbb{Q}[\mathbb{C}P^1, \mathbb{C}P^2, \mathbb{C}P^3, \dots], \deg[\mathbb{C}P^k] = -2k$$

Hirzebruch-Riemann-Roch for $\pi : M \rightarrow pt$

$$ChD(\pi_* A) = \int_M ChD(A) Td(T_M)$$

$$Td(-) = e^{\sum_{k>0} s_k ch_k(-)}, \quad \mathbb{Q}[s_1, s_2, \dots] = U^*(pt) \otimes \mathbb{Q}$$

$$Td(\mathcal{O}(1)_{\mathbb{C}P^\infty}) = \frac{z}{u(z)} = e^{\sum_{k>0} s_k z^k / k!}$$

Specializations $U^*(-) \rightarrow \mathcal{H}^*(-)$

U^* is universal among abstract cohomology theories
 $\mathcal{H}^*$ where complex vector bundles are oriented

Cohomology theory: $\pi_*^H(C) := \int_M C$
 $\pi_*^H(\mathbb{C}P^{k-1}) = 0$ for $k > 1 \Rightarrow z = u$

Complex K-theory:

$$\pi_*^K(V) := \sum (-1)^k \dim \check{H}^k(M; V)$$

$$\pi_*^K(\mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{C}P^{k-1}}) = 1 \in K^0(pt)$$

$$\Rightarrow z = \sum_{k>0} u^k/k = -\ln(1-u)$$

$$\Rightarrow u = 1 - e^{-z}, Td = \frac{z}{1-e^{-z}}$$

$$\Rightarrow ch(\pi_*^K(V)) = \int_M ch(V) td(T_M)$$

Specializations (contd.)

Hirzebruch χ_y -theory:

$$\pi_*^y(M) = \chi_y(M) := \sum y^p(-1)^q h^{p,q}(M)$$

$y = -1$: Euler characteristic of a stably almost complex manifold is bordism-invariant because the Euler class = top Chern class is stable.

Chern-Euler theory: $\pi_*(f : Z \rightarrow M) := \chi(Z)$

$$\pi_*(\mathbb{C}P^{k-1}) = k \Rightarrow z = \sum_{k \geq 0} u^k = u/(1-u)$$

$$\Rightarrow u = z/(1+z), Td = 1+z \Rightarrow$$

$$Td(-) = 1 + c_1(-) + c_2(-) + \cdots = c(-)$$

$$\mathcal{H}^*(-) = H^{\text{even}}(-) \oplus H^{\text{odd}}(-)$$

$$\text{Intersection numbers } \langle f, f' \rangle = \chi(f(Z) \frown f'(Z'))$$

Gromov-Witten theory

X — compact (almost) Kähler manifold

$\mathcal{M} := \overline{\mathcal{M}}_{g,n}(X, d)$ — moduli space of holomorphic maps $\phi : (\Sigma, \sigma_1, \dots, \sigma_n) \rightarrow X$,

Σ — genus- g compact complex curves,

n — number of marked points σ_i ,

$d = \phi_*[\Sigma] \in H_2(X; \mathbb{Z})$ — degree of ϕ ,

$\overline{\mathcal{M}}_{\dots}(\dots)$ — compactification by *stable* maps of *nodal* curves (in the spirit of Deligne - Mumford).

GW-invariants of X := intresection numbers on $\mathcal{M}$.

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“Quantum cobordisms” (Tom Coates, 2003)

$$\int_{[\mathcal{M}]^{vir}} \prod_i \text{ev}_i^*(Z_i) \psi_i^{d_i} e^{\sum_k s_k \text{ch}_k(T_{\mathcal{M}}^{vir})}$$

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Permutation-equivariant version:

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Ekedahl-Lando-Shapiro-Vainshtein's formula:

$$h(g, \vec{k}) = \frac{m!}{|Aut(\vec{k})|} \prod_i \frac{k_i^{k_i}}{k_i!} \int_{\overline{\mathcal{M}}_{g,n}} \frac{c(\text{Hodge}^*)}{\prod_i (1 - k_i \psi_i)}$$

$\vec{k} = (k_1, \dots, k_n)$ – ramification over $\infty \in \mathbb{CP}^1$,
 $m = 2g - 2 + n + \sum k_i$ – simple ramifications

Adelic product formula

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Works in “no-descendants” Chern-Euler theory

Euler characteristics of $\mathcal{M}_{0,n}$

$$\begin{aligned} G(t) &:= \sum_{n \geq 2} \chi(\mathcal{M}_{0,1+n}) \frac{t^n}{n!} = (1+t) \ln(1+t) - t \\ &= \frac{t^2}{1 \cdot 2} - \frac{t^3}{2 \cdot 3} + \frac{t^4}{3 \cdot 4} - \frac{t^5}{4 \cdot 5} + \dots \end{aligned}$$

Indeed, $\mathcal{M}_{0,n+1}$ is fibered over $\mathcal{M}_{0,n}$ with the fiber $\mathbb{C}P^1 - n$ pts, $\implies$

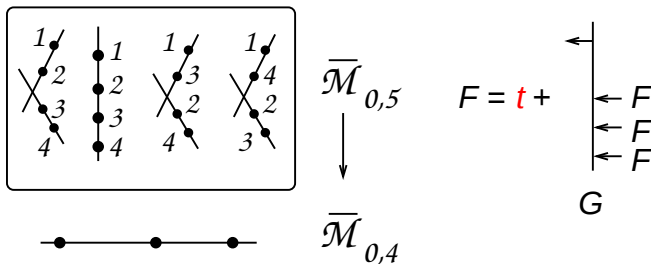
$$\chi(\mathcal{M}_{0,1+n}) = (2-n) \chi(\mathcal{M}_{0,n}) = (-1)^n (n-2)!$$

since $\mathcal{M}_{0,3} = pt.$

Euler characteristics of $\overline{\mathcal{M}}_{0,1+n}$

$$F(t) := t + \sum_{n \geq 2} \chi(\overline{\mathcal{M}}_{0,1+n}) \frac{t^n}{n!}$$

$$= t + \frac{t^2}{2!} + 2 \frac{t^3}{3!} + 7 \frac{t^4}{4!} + 34 \frac{t^5}{5!} + \dots$$



$$F = t + G(F) = t - F + (1 + F) \ln(1 + F)$$

$$\chi^{orb}(\overline{\mathcal{M}}_{0,1+n}/S_n)$$

$$E^{orb}(t) := t + \sum_{n \geq 2} \chi^{orb}(\overline{\mathcal{M}}_{0,1+n}/S_n) t^n = F(t)$$

$$\chi^{orb}(\mathcal{M}) := \int_{\mathcal{M}} c_{top}(T_{\mathcal{M}}^{vir}) =: \chi^{fake}(\mathcal{M}) \in \mathbb{Q}$$

Lemma (Burnside-Cauchy-Kawasaki-Lefschetz):

$$\chi(\text{orbifold}) = \chi^{fake}(\text{inertia orbifold})$$

$$\text{Example: } \chi(\mathcal{M}/G) = \frac{1}{|G|} \sum_{g \in G} \chi(\mathcal{M}^g)$$

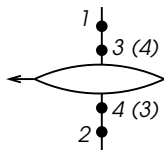
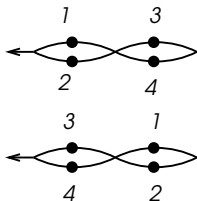
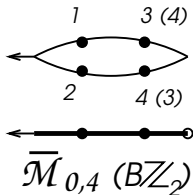
The *inertia orbifold* (of a global quotient):

$$I(\mathcal{M}/G) := \frac{1}{G} \bigsqcup_{g \in G} \mathcal{M}^g$$

$\chi(\overline{\mathcal{M}}_{0,1+n}/S_n)$, a false try

$$E(t) := t + \sum_{n \geq 2} \chi(\overline{\mathcal{M}}_{0,1+n}/S_n) t^n$$

$$= t + t^2 + 2t^3 + 4t^4 + 8t^5 + ??t^6 + \dots$$



$\chi(\overline{\mathcal{M}}_{0,1+n}/S_n)$, a better way

$$\begin{aligned}
 E(t) &= t - E + (1 + E) \sum_{m \geq 1} \frac{\phi(m)}{m} \ln(1 + \psi^m E) \\
 &= t - E + (1 + E) \prod_p \frac{1 - \psi^p/p}{1 - \psi^p} \ln(1 + E) \\
 &= t + 1t^2 + 2t^3 + 4t^4 + 8t^5 + 17t^6 + 36t^7 + 79t^8 + \dots
 \end{aligned}$$

$$E = t + \left(\begin{array}{c} \leftarrow E \\ \leftarrow E \\ \leftarrow E \end{array} \right) + \sum_{\zeta^m = 1} \frac{1}{m} \left(\begin{array}{c} \text{diagram of } \psi^m E \text{ and } 1+E \end{array} \right)$$

The diagram shows a lens-shaped graph with two vertices and two edges. The left vertex has three incoming arrows labeled $\psi^m E$ (in red). The right vertex has three incoming arrows labeled $1+E$. The edges are labeled $\psi^m E$ (in red).

Adams operations: $\psi^m(t) = t^m$, $\psi^k \psi^l = \psi^{kl}$.

Fixed point localization

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Example: $X = \mathbb{C}P^n$.

$$F(Q) := \sum_{d>0} Q^d \chi(\overline{\mathcal{M}}_{0,1}(\mathbb{C}P^n, d)) =: (n+1)H(Q)$$

$$\text{ev} : \overline{\mathcal{M}}_{0,1}(\mathbb{C}P^n, d) \rightarrow \mathbb{C}P^n$$

H — curves with a fixed value at the marked point
 $n+1 = \chi(\mathbb{C}P^n)$.

Recursion

$$H = nQ/(1-Q) + (1+H) \ln(1+H) - H + \sum_{m>1} \phi(m)/m + \text{diagrams}$$

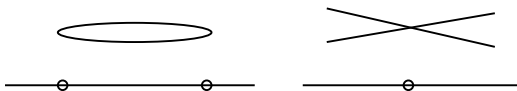
$$H = -H + n \frac{Q}{1-Q} (1+H) + (1+H) \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} \frac{\phi(m)}{m} \psi^m \ln(1+H)$$

Sanity check

$$H_{\mathbb{C}P^1} = Q + 3Q^2 + 9Q^3 + 30Q^4 + 102Q^5 + 371Q^6 + \dots$$

$$H_{\mathbb{C}P^2} = 2Q + 9Q^2 + 44Q^3 + 240Q^4 + 1388Q^5 + \dots$$

$$\overline{\mathcal{M}}_{0,1}(\mathbb{C}P^1, 2) \xrightarrow{\mathbb{C}P^1} \overline{\mathcal{M}}_{0,0}(\mathbb{C}P^1, 2) \cong \frac{\mathbb{C}P^1 \times \mathbb{C}P^1}{S_2} \cong \mathbb{C}P^2$$



A surprising by-product:

$$\sum_{m=1}^{\infty} \frac{\phi(m)}{m} \ln(1 + a_1 t^m + a_2 t^{2m} + a_3 t^{3m} + \dots)$$

has integer coefficient if $a_1, a_2, a_3, \dots \in \mathbb{Z}$.

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$$\sum \alpha_i^{p^k} \equiv \sum \alpha_i^{p^{k-1}} \pmod{p^k}$$

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“Arnold’s conjecture” (2004)
proved by Zarelua (2004, 2006)
but known to Schur (1937) and Jänichen (1921)

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