

### III. Rationality of descendant series & virtual Segre/Verlinde series.

#### ⊙ Review

$$\sum_{S, N, \beta} \frac{f \cdot g}{\mathbb{Z}} (q, w | \underline{\alpha}) := \sum_{n \in \mathbb{Z}} q^n \cdot \int \frac{\prod_{s=1}^N f_s(\alpha_s^{[n]})}{[\text{Quot}_S(\mathbb{C}^N, \beta, n)]^{\text{vir}}} \cdot g(T^{\text{vir}})$$

In the last lecture, we proved that for  $\beta$  SW length  $N$ ,

$$\sum_{S, N, \beta} \frac{f \cdot g}{\mathbb{Z}} (q, w | \underline{\alpha}) = q^{-\beta \cdot K_S} \cdot A^{K_S^2} \cdot \prod_s B_s^{K_S \cdot c_1(\alpha_s)} \cdot \prod_{s \leq t} C_{s,t}^{c_1(\alpha_s) \cdot c_1(\alpha_t)} \cdot \prod_s D_s^{c_2(\alpha_s)} \cdot \text{EX}(\mathcal{O}_S)$$

$$\cdot \sum_{\substack{\beta = \beta_1 + \dots + \beta_N \\ \text{s.t. } \nu \beta_i = 0}} \text{SW}(\beta_1) \dots \text{SW}(\beta_N) \cdot \prod_i U_i^{\beta_i \cdot K_S} \cdot \prod_{i,s} V_{i,s}^{\beta_i \cdot c_1(\alpha_s)} \cdot \prod_{i \leq j} W_{i,j}^{\beta_i \cdot \beta_j}$$

Recall that universal series contributions are defined as

$$\sum_{S, N, \beta} \frac{f \cdot g}{\mathbb{Z}} (q, w | \underline{\alpha}) = \sum_{m_1, \dots, m_N \geq 0} q^{\sum m_i} \cdot \int \frac{\prod_{i=1}^N e(\text{CO}_{\beta_i}^{[m_i; 0]})}{S^{[m_1]} \times \dots \times S^{[m_N]}} \cdot \frac{i^* \left( \prod_s f_s(\alpha_s^{[m_i]}) \right) \cdot g(T^{\text{vir}})}{e(N^{\text{vir}})}$$

$$= A^{K_S^2} \cdot \prod_s B_s^{K_S \cdot c_1(\alpha_s)} \cdot \prod_{s \leq t} C_{s,t}^{c_1(\alpha_s) \cdot c_1(\alpha_t)} \cdot \prod_s D_s^{c_2(\alpha_s)} \cdot \text{EX}(\mathcal{O}_S) \cdot \prod_i U_i^{\beta_i \cdot K_S} \cdot \prod_{i,s} V_{i,s}^{\beta_i \cdot c_1(\alpha_s)} \cdot \prod_{i \leq j} W_{i,j}^{\beta_i \cdot \beta_j}$$

① Vanishing  $\Rightarrow C_{s,t} = D_s = E = 1$ .

$$\sum_{\substack{f, g \\ s, N, f}} (g, w | \alpha) = \sum_{m_1, \dots, m_N \geq 0} \int \prod_{i=1}^N e(\text{CO}_{\mathbb{P}^i}^{[m_i, 0]}) \cdot \frac{i^* (\prod_s f_s(\alpha_s^{[m_i]}) \cdot g(T^{\text{vir}}))}{e(N^{\text{vir}})}$$

$$= A^{K_S^2} \cdot \prod_s B_s^{K_S \cdot c_1(\alpha_s)} \cdot \prod_{s < t} C_{s,t}^{c_1(\alpha_s) \cdot c_1(\alpha_t)} \cdot \prod_s D_s^{c_2(\alpha_s)} \cdot \text{EX}(\mathcal{O}_S) \cdot \prod_i U_i^{\beta_i \cdot K_S} \cdot \prod_{i,s} V_{i,s}^{\beta_i \cdot c_1(\alpha_s)} \cdot \prod_{i \leq j} W_{i,j}^{\beta_i \cdot \beta_j}$$

Consider a triple  $(S, (\beta_1, \dots, \beta_N), (\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_2))$  s.t.

$$\beta_1 = \dots = \beta_N = K_S.$$

Then we have  $\mathcal{O}(-D_i) \in \text{Pic}_{K_S}$

$$\text{CO}_{\mathbb{P}^i}^{[m_i, 0]} = \left( K_S(-D_i)^{[m_i]} \right)^{\vee} = \left( \mathcal{O}_S^{[m_i]} \right)^{\vee}$$

Claim:  $m_i > 0 \Rightarrow e(\text{CO}_{\mathbb{P}^i}^{[m_i, 0]}) = 0$

$$0 \rightarrow I_{Z_i} \rightarrow \mathcal{O}_S \rightarrow \mathcal{O}_{Z_i} \rightarrow 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 0 \rightarrow H^0(\mathcal{O}_S) \rightarrow H^0(\mathcal{O}_{Z_i}) \rightarrow \ker(H^1(I_{Z_i}) \rightarrow H^1(\mathcal{O}_S)) \rightarrow 0$$

$$\begin{matrix} S_1 \\ \subset \\ \mathcal{O} \end{matrix} \quad \begin{matrix} S_1 \\ \mathcal{O}^{[m_i]} \\ \Big| \\ Z_i \end{matrix}$$

$$\Rightarrow 0 \rightarrow \mathcal{O}_{S^{[m_i]}} \rightarrow \mathcal{O}^{[m_i]} \rightarrow \text{vector bundle} \rightarrow 0$$

$$\sum_{\substack{\underline{z} \\ \sum_s N_s \underline{z}_s}} \mathcal{Z}(\underline{z}, \underline{w} | \underline{\alpha}) = \sum_{m_1, \dots, m_N \geq 0} \mathcal{Z}^{\sum m_s} \int \prod_{i=1}^N e(\text{CO}_{\mathbb{R}^i}^{[m_i; 0]}) \cdot \frac{i^* \left( \prod_s f_s(\alpha_s^{[m_s]}) \right) \cdot g(T^{\text{vir}})}{e(N^{\text{vir}})}$$

just a point.  $\rightarrow$   $S^{[0]}_x \dots \times S^{[0]}$

$$= \int \frac{i^* \left( \prod_s f_s(\alpha_s^{[m_s]}) \right) \cdot g(T^{\text{vir}})}{e(N^{\text{vir}})}$$

$\hookrightarrow$  equivariantly non-trivial.

$$= \prod_{i,s} \left( f_s(w_i)^{-r_s} \right)^{k^2} \cdot \left( f_s(w_i) \right)^{k \cdot c_1(\alpha_s)}$$

$$= A^{K_S^2} \cdot \prod_s B_s^{K_S \cdot c_1(\alpha_s)} \cdot \prod_{s \leq t} C_{s,t}^{c_1(\alpha_s) \cdot c_1(\alpha_t)} \cdot \prod_s D_s^{c_2(\alpha_s)} \cdot E\mathcal{X}(\mathcal{O}_S) \cdot \prod_i U_i^{k_s} \cdot \prod_{i,s} V_{i,s}^{k_s} \cdot \prod_{i,s} W_{i,s}^{k_s} \cdot \prod_{i \leq j} W_{i,j}^{k_s^2}$$

$$= \left( A \cdot \prod_i U_i \cdot \prod_{i \leq j} W_{i,j} \right)^{K^2} \cdot \left( \prod_s B_s \cdot \prod_{i,s} V_{i,s} \right)^{k \cdot c_1(\alpha_s)} \cdot \prod_{s \leq t} C_{s,t}^{c_1(\alpha_s), c_1(\alpha_t)} \cdot \prod_s D_s^{c_2(\alpha_s)} \cdot E^{K(\mathcal{O}_S)}$$

By independence of Chern numbers, we obtain

$$C_{s,t} = D_s = E = 1 \quad \square$$

② Computation of universal series by  $\tilde{K}\mathbb{Z}$ .

$$\hat{\sum}_{\substack{I, J \\ S, N, E}} (q, w | \alpha) = A^{K_S^2} \cdot \prod_s B_s^{K_S \cdot c_1(\alpha_s)} \cdot \prod_i U_i^{\beta_i \cdot K_S} \cdot \prod_{i, s} V_{i, s}^{\beta_i \cdot c_1(\alpha_s)} \cdot \prod_{i < j} W_{i, j}^{\beta_i \cdot \beta_j}$$

Let  $S := \tilde{K}\mathbb{Z}$ . Then  $K_S = \mathcal{O}_S(E)$ .

Given a partition  $[N] = I \sqcup J$ , define

$$\underline{E}_{I \sqcup J} := (\beta_1, \dots, \beta_N) \text{ where } \begin{cases} \beta_i = E & , i \in I \\ \beta_j = 0 & , j \in J \end{cases}$$

$$\Rightarrow \hat{\sum}_{\substack{I, J \\ S, N, E_{I \sqcup J}}} (q, w | \alpha) = A^{-1} \cdot \prod_s B_s^{E \cdot c_1(\alpha_s)} \cdot \prod_{i \in I} U_i^{-1} \cdot \prod_{i \in I, s} V_{i, s}^{E \cdot c_1(\alpha_s)} \cdot \prod_{\substack{i_1 < i_2 \\ i_1, i_2 \in I}} W_{i_1, i_2}^{-1}$$

Enough to compute this  $\mathbb{P}_0$ .

- Step 1: Reduction to the curve geometry.
- Step 2: Express integrand in terms of curve data.
- Step 3: Evaluate integral by Lagrange-Bürmann formula.

Step 1: Reduction to the curve geometry.

Recall that  $CO_{\beta_i}^{[m_i, 0]} = \left( K_S (-\beta_i)^{[m_i]} \right)^\vee$ .

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} i \in I \Rightarrow CO_{\mathbb{P}^1}^{[m_i, 0]} = (\mathcal{O}^{[m_i]})^\vee \\ j \in J \Rightarrow CO_{\mathbb{P}^1}^{[m_j, 0]} = (\mathcal{O}(E)^{[m_j]})^\vee \end{array} \right.$$

Since  $e(\mathcal{O}^{[m_i]^\vee}) = 0$  for  $m_i > 0$ , we may assume  $m_i = 0 \quad \forall i \in I$ .

Claim:  $e(\mathcal{O}(E)^{[m_j]^\vee}) \cap S^{[m_j]} = (-1)^{m_j} n_x [E^{[m_j]}]$ .

pf) Section  $\sigma: \mathcal{O}_S \rightarrow \mathcal{O}_S(E)$  gives tautological section

$$\sigma^{[m_j]}: \mathcal{O}_{S^{[m_j]}} \rightarrow \mathcal{O}_S(E)^{[m_j]}$$

At each point  $Z \in S^{[m_j]}$ , it is

$$C = H^0(\mathcal{O}_S) \rightarrow H^0(\mathcal{O}_S(E)) \rightarrow H^0(\mathcal{O}_S(E)|_Z)$$

which vanishes iff  $Z \subseteq E$ . Vanishing locus

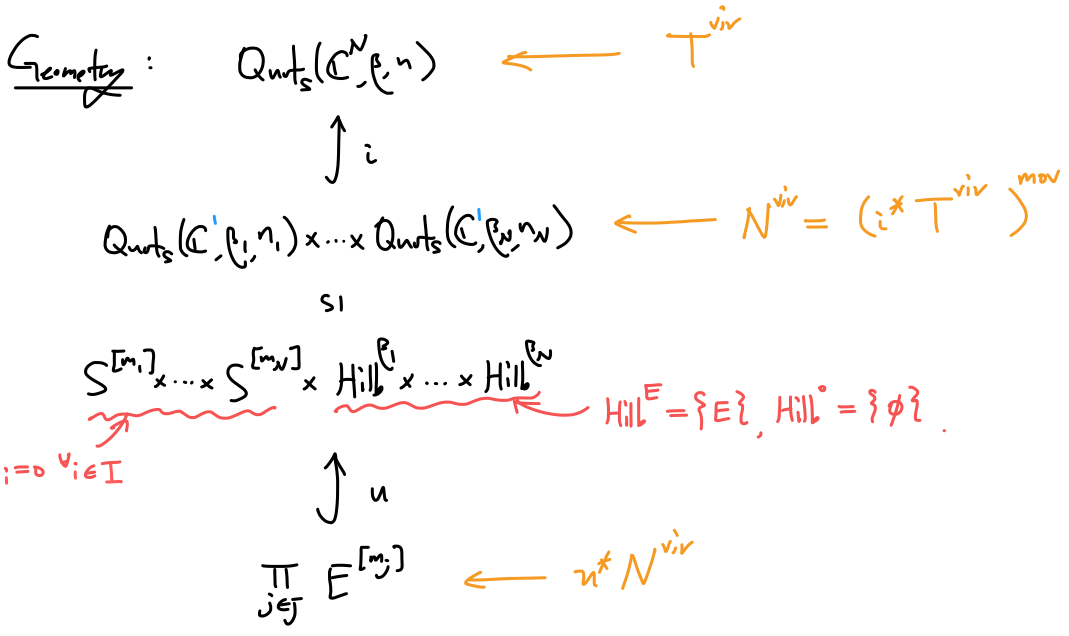
$$Z_{\text{van}}(\sigma^{[m_j]}) = E^{[m_j]} \stackrel{n}{\hookrightarrow} S^{[m_j]}$$

is of expected dimension  $\square$

$$\sum_{\substack{f, g \\ S, N, E_{I \cup J}}} (f, w | d) = \sum_{m_j \geq 0, j \in J} (-f)^{\sum m_j} \int_{\prod_{j \in J} E^{[m_j]}} n^* \left( \frac{i^* (\prod_{s \in S} f_s(\alpha_s^{[m_j]}) \cdot g(T^{\text{vir}}))}{e(N^{\text{vir}})} \right)$$

Step 2: Express integrand in terms of curve data.

We illustrate how to do this with  $\underline{N}^{vir}$  only.



How does universal sequence  $0 \rightarrow S \rightarrow \mathcal{O}_{Quot \times S}^{\oplus N} \rightarrow \mathcal{Q} \rightarrow 0$  restrict over  $\prod_{j \in J} E^{[m_j]} \times S$  ?

$$0 \rightarrow \underbrace{\bigoplus_{i \in I} \mathcal{O}(-E)[w_i]}_{m_i=0 \ \& \ \beta_i=E} \oplus \underbrace{\bigoplus_{j \in J} \mathcal{I}_{z_j}[w_j]}_{m_j \geq 0 \ \& \ \beta_j = 0} \rightarrow \bigoplus_{k=1}^N \mathcal{O}[w_k] \rightarrow \bigoplus_{i \in I} \mathcal{O}_E[w_i] \oplus \bigoplus_{j \in J} \mathcal{O}_{z_j}[w_j] \rightarrow 0$$

( $z_j$ 's supported on  $E \subseteq S$ )

$$\chi(\mathcal{O}_E(E)) = 0.$$

$$\begin{aligned} v^* N^{vir} &= \left( R\mathcal{H}om_p \left( \bigoplus_{i \in I} \mathcal{O}(-E)[w_i] \oplus \bigoplus_{j \in J} I_{z_j}[w_j], \bigoplus_{i \in I} \mathcal{O}_E[w_i] \oplus \bigoplus_{j \in J} \mathcal{O}_{z_j}[w_j] \right) \right)^{mov} \\ &= \sum_{i,j} R\mathcal{H}om_p(\mathcal{O}(-E), \mathcal{O}_{z_j})[w_i - w_j] + \sum_{j,i} R\mathcal{H}om_p(I_{z_j}, \mathcal{O}_E)[w_i - w_j] \\ &\quad + \sum_{j_1 \neq j_2} R\mathcal{H}om_p(I_{z_{j_1}}, I_{z_{j_2}})[w_{j_2} - w_{j_1}] \end{aligned}$$

Goal: To write these intrinsically over  $E^{[m]}$ .

Pick  $z_j \in E^{[m]}$ . Denote  $i: E \hookrightarrow S$ .

$$\begin{aligned} \text{e.g. } \text{Ext}_S^i(I_{z_j/S}, \mathcal{O}_E) &= \text{Ext}_S^i(i_* I_{z_j/E} + \mathcal{O}(-E), \mathcal{O}_E) \\ &= \text{Ext}_S^i(i_* I_{z_j/E}, i_* \mathcal{O}_E) \\ &= \text{Ext}_E^i(I_{z_j/E}, i^* i_* \mathcal{O}_E) \quad \wedge^i N_{E/S} \\ &= \text{Ext}_E^i(\underbrace{\mathcal{O}_E - \mathcal{O}_{z_j}}_0, \underbrace{\mathcal{O}_E - \mathcal{H}}_0) \\ &= H^i(\mathcal{O}_E) + H^i(\mathcal{O}_{z_j} \otimes \mathcal{H}^\vee) - H^i(\mathcal{O}_{z_j} \otimes \mathcal{H}^\vee) \\ &= \mathbb{C} + (K_E^{[m]})^\vee|_{z_j} - (\mathcal{H}^{[m]})^\vee|_{z_j} \quad \square \end{aligned}$$

Step 3 : Evaluate integral by Lagrange-Birrmann formula.

We can also identify tautological classes  $\alpha^{[m]} \in K^0(E^{[m]})$

Since  $E \simeq \mathbb{P}^1 \Rightarrow E^{[m]} \simeq \mathbb{P}^m$  with universal quotient :

$$0 \rightarrow \mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}^m}(-1) \boxtimes \mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}^1}(-m) \rightarrow \mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}^m \times \mathbb{P}^1} \rightarrow \mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}^1} \rightarrow 0$$

$$\underbrace{\hspace{10em}}_{= I_{\mathbb{P}^1}}$$

Using this, for  $\alpha \in K^0(\mathbb{P}^1)$  of rank  $r$ , deg  $d$ ,

$$\alpha^{[m]} = \mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}^m}(-1)^{\oplus rm-d-r} - \mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}^m}^{\oplus d+r}$$

$\exists$  explicit formula in terms of  $\{h_j\}_{j \in J}$ .

$$\sum_{\substack{f, g \\ \in \mathbb{N}, \mathbb{E}_{I \cup J}}} (q, w | \alpha) = \sum_{m_j \geq 0, j \in J} (-q)^{\sum m_j} \int_{\prod_{j \in J} \mathbb{P}^{m_j}} \left( \frac{i^* \left( \prod_s f_s(\alpha_s^{[m]}) \cdot g(T^{vir}) \right)}{e(N^{vir})} \right)$$

$$= \sum_{m_j \geq 0, j \in J} (-q)^{\sum m_j} \left[ \prod_{j \in J} h_j^{m_j} \right] \prod_{j \in J} \Phi_j(h_j)^{m_j} \cdot \Psi_{I \cup J}(\{h_j\}_{j \in J})$$

$$\Phi_j(h_j) = (-h_j) \cdot \prod_s f_s(-h_j + w_j)^{r_s} \cdot \prod_k \frac{g(-h_j + w_j - w_k)}{-h_j + w_j - w_k} \quad (d_s = E_s \cdot c_1(\alpha_s))$$

$$\Psi_{I \cup J} = \frac{1}{g(0)^{|J|}} \cdot \prod_j h_j \cdot \prod_{s,k} f_s(w_k)^{r_s+d_s} \cdot \prod_{s,j} \frac{1}{f_s(-h_j + w_j)^{r_s+d_s}} \cdot \prod_{j,k} \frac{g(h_j - w_j + w_k)}{h_j - w_j + w_k} \cdot \prod_{j_1 \neq j_2} \frac{h_{j_1} - w_{j_1} - h_{j_2} + w_{j_2}}{g(h_{j_1} - w_{j_1} - h_{j_2} + w_{j_2})}$$



\* Lagrang - Birrnan formula (See e.g. [Gessel, (4.4)])

$$\sum_{m_j \geq 0, j \in J} (-q)^{\sum m_j} \left[ \prod_{j \in J} h_j^{m_j} \right] \prod_{j \in J} \Phi_j(h_j)^{m_j} \cdot \Psi_{I \cup J}(\{h_j\}_{j \in J}) = \frac{\Psi_{I \cup J}(\{h_j\})}{K_{I \cup J}(\{h_j\})}$$

$$K_{I \cup J}(\{h_j\}) = \prod_{j \in J} \left( 1 - h_j \cdot \frac{\Phi_j'(h_j)}{\Phi_j(h_j)} \right)$$

$$-q = \frac{h_j}{\Phi_j(h_j)} \quad \text{s.t.} \quad h_j(q=0) = 0.$$

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Change of variables are different for each  $j \in J$ .

We may use another variable change  $H_j := h_j - w_j$ .

$$\star \quad q = \prod_s \frac{1}{f_s(-H_j)^{r_s}} \cdot \prod_{k=1}^N \frac{-H_j - w_k}{g(-H_j - w_k)} \quad \text{with} \quad H_j(q=0) = -w_j.$$

$F(H_j)$  with SINGLE "F".

After some easy calculation, we identify all the universal series in variables  $H_1, \dots, H_N, w_1, \dots, w_N$  up to change of variables  $\star$ .

### ③ Formulas for the universal series

Thm (AJLOP) If  $\beta$  is SW length  $N$ , then

$$\sum_{s, N, \beta} f_{s, 2} (q, w | \alpha) = q^{-e \cdot k} \cdot A^{k^2} \cdot \prod_s B_s^{c_s(\alpha_s) \cdot k}$$

$$\cdot \sum_{\substack{\beta = \beta_1 + \dots + \beta_N \\ \forall i: \beta_i = 0}} \text{SW}(\beta_1) \dots \text{SW}(\beta_N) \cdot \prod_i U_i^{\beta_i \cdot k} \cdot \prod_{i:s} V_{i:s}^{\beta_i \cdot c_s(\alpha_s)} \cdot \prod_{i:j} W_{i:j}^{\beta_i \cdot \beta_j}$$

$$A = g(0)^N \cdot \prod_s \prod_{i=1}^N \frac{f_s(-H_i)^{r_s}}{f_s(w_i)^{r_s}} \cdot \prod_{i, k \in [N]} \frac{H_i + w_k}{g(H_i + w_k)} \cdot \prod_{\substack{i_1 \neq i_2 \\ i_1, i_2 \in [N]}} \frac{g(H_{i_1} - H_{i_2})}{H_{i_1} - H_{i_2}} \cdot \prod_{i=1}^N \left( \sum_s r_s \cdot \frac{f'_s}{f_s}(-H_i) + \sum_{k=1}^N \left( \frac{g'}{g}(-H_i - w_k) + \frac{1}{H_i + w_k} \right) \right)$$

$$U_i = \frac{1}{g(0)} \cdot \prod_s \frac{1}{f_s(-H_i)^{r_s}} \cdot \prod_{k=1}^N \frac{g(H_i + w_k)}{H_i + w_k} \cdot \prod_{\substack{i' \neq i \\ i' \in [N]}} \frac{H_{i'} - H_i}{g(H_{i'} - H_i)} \cdot \frac{H_i - H_{i'}}{g(H_i - H_{i'})} \cdot \left( \sum_s r_s \cdot \frac{f'_s}{f_s}(-H_i) + \sum_{k=1}^N \left( \frac{g'}{g}(-H_i - w_k) + \frac{1}{H_i + w_k} \right) \right)^{-1}$$

$$W_{i_1, i_2} = \frac{g(H_{i_1} - H_{i_2})}{H_{i_1} - H_{i_2}} \cdot \frac{g(H_{i_2} - H_{i_1})}{H_{i_2} - H_{i_1}} \quad / \quad B_s = \prod_{k=1}^N \frac{f_s(w_k)}{f_s(-H_k)} \quad / \quad V_{i,s} = f_s(-H_i)$$

where  $q = \prod_s \frac{1}{f_s(-H_j)^{r_s}} \cdot \prod_{k=1}^N \frac{-H_j - w_k}{g(-H_j - w_k)}$  with  $H_j(q=0) = -w_j$ .

This can be specialized to the cases of interests by choosing

$f_1, \dots, f_2, g$  appropriately.

#### ④ Rationality of K-theoretic descendant series.

Thm (AJLOP) If  $\beta$  is SW length  $N$ , then

$$Z_{S, N, \beta}^k(q | \underline{\alpha}, \underline{k}) := \sum_{n \in \mathbb{Z}} q^n \chi^{\text{viv}} \left( \text{Quot}_S(\mathbb{C}^N, \beta, n), \bigotimes_{s=1}^l \wedge^{k_s} \alpha_s^{[n]} \otimes \wedge_{\underline{y}}^{\text{viv}} \right)$$

is given by a rational function in  $\mathbb{Q}(y)(q)$ .

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(sketch of proof)

Define master K-theoretic generating series

$$Z_{S, N, \beta}^{\dagger}(q | \underline{\alpha}) := \sum_{n \in \mathbb{Z}} q^n \chi^{\text{viv}} \left( \text{Quot}_S(\mathbb{C}^N, \beta, n), \bigotimes_{s=1}^l \wedge_{x_s} \alpha_s^{[n]} \otimes \wedge_{\underline{y}}^{\text{viv}} \right).$$

$$\square \quad Z_{S, N, \beta}^k(q | \underline{\alpha}, \underline{k}) = \frac{1}{k_1! \dots k_\ell!} \left( \frac{\partial}{\partial x_1} \right)^{k_1} \dots \left( \frac{\partial}{\partial x_\ell} \right)^{k_\ell} \Big|_{x_1 = \dots = x_\ell = 0} Z_{S, N, \beta}^{\dagger}(q | \underline{\alpha})$$

$$\square \quad Z_{S, N, \beta}^{\dagger}(q | \underline{\alpha}) = Z_{S, N, \beta}^{\dagger, g}(q | \underline{\alpha}) \quad \text{where}$$

$$f_s(z) = 1 + x_s e^z, \quad g(z) = \frac{z(1 - ye^{-z})}{(1 - e^{-z})} \in \mathbb{Q}(x_1, \dots, x_\ell, y)[[z]]$$

$$\updownarrow \\ \text{ch}(1 + xL)$$

$$\updownarrow \\ \text{ch}(1 - yL^{\vee}) \cdot \text{td}(L)$$

For this choice of  $f_1, \dots, f_\ell, g$ , multiplicative series are :

$$\begin{aligned}
 A &= (1-y)^N \prod_s \prod_{i=1}^N \frac{(1+x_s e^{-\varepsilon_s H_i})^{r_s}}{(1+x_s e^{\varepsilon_s w_i})^{r_s}} \cdot \prod_{i,k \in [N]} \frac{1 - e^{-H_i - w_k}}{1 - y e^{-H_i - w_k}} \cdot \prod_{\substack{i_1, i_2 \in [N] \\ i_1 \neq i_2}} \frac{1 - y e^{-H_{i_1} + H_{i_2}}}{1 - e^{-H_{i_1} + H_{i_2}}} \\
 &\quad \cdot \prod_{i=1}^N \left( \sum_s r_s \cdot \frac{\varepsilon_s x_s e^{-\varepsilon_s H_i}}{1 + x_s e^{-\varepsilon_s H_i}} + \sum_{k=1}^N \left( - \frac{e^{-H_i - w_k} + y e^{H_i + w_k}}{(1 - y e^{H_i + w_k})(1 - e^{-H_i - w_k})} \right) \right), \\
 U_i &= \frac{1}{1-y} \prod_s \frac{1}{(1+x_s e^{-\varepsilon_s H_i})^{r_s}} \cdot \prod_{k=1}^N \frac{1 - y e^{-H_i - w_k}}{1 - e^{-H_i - w_k}} \cdot \prod_{\substack{i' \neq i \\ i' \in [N]}} \frac{1 - e^{-H_{i'} + H_i}}{1 - y e^{-H_{i'} + H_i}} \cdot \frac{1 - e^{-H_i + H_{i'}}}{1 - y e^{-H_i + H_{i'}}} \\
 &\quad \cdot \left( \sum_s r_s \cdot \frac{\varepsilon_s x_s e^{-\varepsilon_s H_i}}{1 + x_s e^{-\varepsilon_s H_i}} + \sum_{k=1}^N \left( - \frac{e^{-H_i - w_k} + y e^{H_i + w_k}}{(1 - y e^{H_i + w_k})(1 - e^{-H_i - w_k})} \right) \right)^{-1}, \\
 W_{i,j} &= \frac{1 - y e^{-H_i + H_j}}{1 - e^{-H_i + H_j}} \cdot \frac{1 - y e^{-H_j + H_i}}{1 - e^{-H_j + H_i}}, \\
 B_s &= \prod_{k=1}^N \frac{1 + x_s e^{\varepsilon_s w_k}}{1 + x_s e^{-\varepsilon_s H_k}}, \\
 V_{i,s} &= 1 + x_s e^{-\varepsilon_s H_i},
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\boxed{\varepsilon_s = 1}$$

where  $q = \prod_s \frac{1}{(1+x_s e^{-\varepsilon_s H_i})^{r_s}} \cdot \prod_{k=1}^N \frac{1 - e^{H_i + w_k}}{1 - y e^{H_i + w_k}}$  with  $H_i(q=0) = -w_i$ .

As expected for  $K$ -theoretic invariants, many exponential functions appear.  $\therefore$  We make exponential change of variables :

$$e^{H_i} = z_i \quad \& \quad e^{w_k} = t_k$$

This simplifies both universal series & change of variables.

$$\begin{aligned}
A &= (1-y)^N \prod_s \prod_{i=1}^N \frac{(1+x_s z_i^{-\varepsilon_s})^{r_s}}{(1+x_s t_i^{\varepsilon_s})^{r_s}} \cdot \prod_{i,k \in [N]} \frac{1-z_i^{-1} t_k^{-1}}{1-y z_i^{-1} t_k^{-1}} \cdot \prod_{\substack{i_1 \neq i_2 \\ i_1, i_2 \in [N]}} \frac{1-y z_{i_1}^{-1} z_{i_2}}{1-z_{i_1}^{-1} z_{i_2}} \\
&\quad \cdot \prod_{i=1}^N \left( \sum_s r_s \cdot \frac{\varepsilon_s x_s z_i^{-\varepsilon_s}}{1+x_s z_i^{-\varepsilon_s}} + \sum_{k=1}^N \left( -\frac{z_i^{-1} t_k^{-1} + y z_i t_k}{(1-y z_i^{-1} t_k^{-1})(1-z_i^{-1} t_k^{-1})} \right) \right), \\
U_i &= \frac{1}{1-y} \prod_s \frac{1}{(1+x_s z_i^{-\varepsilon_s})^{r_s}} \cdot \prod_{k=1}^N \frac{1-y z_i^{-1} t_k^{-1}}{1-z_i^{-1} t_k^{-1}} \cdot \prod_{\substack{i' \neq i \\ i' \in [N]}} \frac{1-z_{i'}^{-1} z_i}{1-y z_{i'}^{-1} z_i} \cdot \frac{1-z_i^{-1} z_{i'}}{1-y z_i^{-1} z_{i'}} \\
&\quad \cdot \left( \sum_s r_s \cdot \frac{\varepsilon_s x_s z_i^{-\varepsilon_s}}{1+x_s z_i^{-\varepsilon_s}} + \sum_{k=1}^N \left( -\frac{z_i^{-1} t_k^{-1} + y z_i t_k}{(1-y z_i^{-1} t_k^{-1})(1-z_i^{-1} t_k^{-1})} \right) \right)^{-1}, \\
W_{i,j} &= \frac{1-y z_i^{-1} z_j}{1-z_i^{-1} z_j} \cdot \frac{1-y z_j^{-1} z_i}{1-z_j^{-1} z_i}, \\
B_s &= \prod_{k=1}^N \frac{1+x_s t_k^{\varepsilon_s}}{1+x_s z_k^{-\varepsilon_s}}, \\
V_{i,s} &= 1+x_s z_i^{-\varepsilon_s},
\end{aligned}$$

where 
$$q = \prod_s \frac{1}{(1+x_s z_i^{-\varepsilon_s})^{r_s}} \cdot \prod_{k=1}^N \frac{1-z_i t_k}{1-y z_i t_k} \quad \text{with } z_i(q=0) = t_i^{-1}.$$

Apparently from the formula, we have some rationality

$$A, U_i, W_{i,j}, B_s, V_{i,s} \in \mathbb{Q}(x_1, \dots, x_L, y)(t_1, \dots, t_N)(z_1, \dots, z_N)$$

*symmetric.*

Note that  $\forall \sigma \in S_N,$

$$U_i(z_{\sigma(1)}, \dots, z_{\sigma(N)}) = U_{\sigma(i)}(z_1, \dots, z_N)$$

and similarly for others. This implies that

$$\begin{aligned}
Z_{\mathbb{S}N, \mathbb{R}}^+(q, w | \underline{d}) &= q^{-\beta \cdot K_S} \cdot A^{K_S^2} \cdot \prod_s B_s^{K_S \cdot c_1(\alpha_s)} \cdot \sum_{\substack{\beta = \beta_1 + \dots + \beta_N \\ \text{vd}_{\beta_s} = 0}} \text{SW}(\underline{\beta}) \cdot \prod_i U_i^{\beta_i \cdot K_S} \cdot \prod_{i,s} V_{i,s}^{\beta_i \cdot c_1(\alpha_s)} \cdot \prod_{i < j} W_{i,j}^{\beta_i \cdot \beta_j} \\
&\in \mathbb{Q}(x_1, \dots, x_L, y)(t_1, \dots, t_N)(z_1, \dots, z_N)
\end{aligned}$$

which is symmetric in both  $t_1, \dots, t_N$  &  $z_1, \dots, z_N$ .

Symmetry is preserved under taking derivative, hence

$$\frac{1}{k_1! \dots k_\ell!} \left( \frac{\partial}{\partial x_1} \right)^{k_1} \dots \left( \frac{\partial}{\partial x_\ell} \right)^{k_\ell} \Big|_{x_1 = \dots = x_\ell = 0} \sum_{\substack{+ \\ S, N, \beta}} (g, w | d) \in Q(y)(t_1, \dots, t_N)(z_1, \dots, z_N)$$

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$$\in Q(y)(t_1, \dots, t_N)(e_1, \dots, e_N).$$

Enough to show:  $e_1, \dots, e_N \in Q(y)(t_1, \dots, t_N)(g)$

Change of variable (after  $x_1 = \dots = x_\ell = 0$ ) is

$$g = \prod_{k=1}^N \frac{1 - z t_k}{1 - y z t_k} \quad \leftarrow \quad z = z_1, \dots, z_N \quad \text{with} \quad z_i(g=0) = t_i^{-1}.$$

$$\begin{aligned} \updownarrow \frac{\prod_{k=1}^N (1 - z t_k) - g \cdot \prod_{k=1}^N (1 - y z t_k)}{\left( \prod_{k=1}^N -t_k \right) (1 - y^N g)} &= (z - z_1) \dots (z - z_N) \\ &= z^N - e_1 z^{N-1} + e_2 z^{N-2} \dots + (-1)^N e_N. \end{aligned}$$

This gives explicit formulas for

$$e_1, \dots, e_N \in Q(y)(t_1, \dots, t_N)(g) \quad \square$$

This procedure can be applied to give formula for  $Z^k$  for surfaces whose Seiberg-Witten theory is well-understood.

⑤ Some speculations of rationality.

Question: Does rationality come from 3-fold theory...?

Consider  $X := \text{Tot}(K_S) \xrightarrow{\pi} S$  &  $\mathbb{C}^x \simeq X$ .

Suppose that  $\text{Quot}_X(\mathbb{C}^N, \mathbb{P}, n)$  admits  $\mathbb{C}^x$ -equivariant perfect obstruction theory s.t.

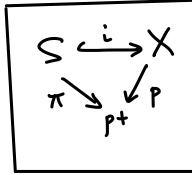
$$T_{\text{Quot}_X}^{\text{vir}} = \text{RHom}_p(\mathcal{O}_{\text{Quot}_X \times X}^{\oplus N}, \mathcal{O}_{\text{Quot}_X \times X}^{\oplus N}) - \text{RHom}_p(S, S).$$

One can show that

$$\left(\text{Quot}_X(\mathbb{C}^N, \mathbb{P}, n)\right)^{\mathbb{C}^x} = \begin{array}{l} \text{nested Quot scheme} \\ \text{of } S \end{array} \geq \text{Quot}_S(\mathbb{C}^N, \mathbb{P}, n)$$

We can compute

$$\begin{aligned} T_{\text{Quot}_X}^{\text{vir}} \Big|_{\text{Quot}_S} &= \text{RHom}_p(\mathcal{O}^N, \mathcal{O}^N) - \text{RHom}_p(\overset{\mathcal{O}^N - Q}{S}, S) \\ &= \text{RHom}_p(\mathcal{O}^N, Q) + \text{RHom}_p(Q, \mathcal{O}^N) - \text{RHom}_p(Q, Q) \\ &= \text{RHom}_p(\mathcal{O}^N, Q) - \text{RHom}_p(\mathcal{O}^N, Q \otimes \mathbb{t}^{-1})^{\vee} - \text{RHom}_p(Q, Q) \\ &= \underbrace{\text{RHom}_X(\mathcal{O}^N, Q)}_{\text{blue}} - \underbrace{\text{RHom}_X(\mathcal{O}^N, Q)}_{\text{red}} \mathbb{t} - \underbrace{\text{RHom}_X(Q, Q)}_{\text{blue}} + \underbrace{\text{RHom}_X(Q, Q \otimes K_S)}_{\text{red}} \mathbb{t} \\ &= \text{RHom}_X(S, Q) - \left( \text{RHom}_X(\mathcal{O}^N, Q) - \text{RHom}_X(Q, Q) \right)^{\vee} \mathbb{t} \end{aligned}$$



$$= T_{\text{Qu}_t\mathfrak{s}}^{\text{vir}} - \Omega_{\text{Qu}_t\mathfrak{s}}^{\text{vir}} \mathfrak{k}$$

∴ We conclude that

$$\left( T_{\text{Qu}_t\mathfrak{x}}^{\text{vir}} \middle|_{\text{Qu}_t\mathfrak{s}} \right)^{\text{fix}} = T_{\text{Qu}_t\mathfrak{s}}^{\text{vir}}$$

$$N_{\text{Qu}_t\mathfrak{s}/\text{Qu}_t\mathfrak{x}}^{\text{vir}} = -\Omega_{\text{Qu}_t\mathfrak{s}}^{\text{vir}} \mathfrak{k}$$

## □ Homological invariants.

$$" \int_{[\text{Qu}_t\mathfrak{x}]^{\text{vir}}} 1 " = \int_{[\text{Qu}_t\mathfrak{s}]^{\text{vir}}} \frac{1}{e(N^{\text{vir}})} + \text{non-trivial nested contributions.}$$

$$\int_{[\text{Qu}_t\mathfrak{s}]^{\text{vir}}} \frac{1}{e(N^{\text{vir}})} = \int_{[\text{Qu}_t\mathfrak{s}]^{\text{vir}}} e(\Omega^{\text{vir}} \otimes \mathfrak{k})$$

$$= \int_{[\text{Qu}_t\mathfrak{s}]^{\text{vir}}} \prod_{i=1}^{\text{vd}} (t - \alpha_i)$$

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} t = c_i(\mathfrak{k}) \\ \Omega^{\text{vir}} \leftarrow \alpha_i : \text{Chem roots.} \end{array} \right\}$$

$$= (-1)^{\text{vd}} \cdot e^{\text{vir}}(\text{Qu}_t\mathfrak{s})$$

## □ K-theoretic invariants.

$$" \chi(\text{Qu}_t\mathfrak{x}, \hat{\Theta}_{\text{Qu}_t\mathfrak{x}}^{\text{vir}}) " = \chi^{\text{vir}} \left( \text{Qu}_t\mathfrak{s}, \frac{K_{\text{Qu}_t\mathfrak{x}}^{\frac{1}{2}} \middle|_{\text{Qu}_t\mathfrak{s}}}{\wedge_{-1}(N^{\text{vir}})^{\vee}} \right) + \text{non-trivial nested contributions.}$$

$$\circ K_{\text{Qu}_t\mathfrak{x}}^{\text{vir}} \middle|_{\text{Qu}_t\mathfrak{s}} = \det \left( T_{\text{Qu}_t\mathfrak{x}}^{\text{vir}} \middle|_{\text{Qu}_t\mathfrak{s}} \right)^{\vee}$$

≅ square root

$$= \det \left( T_{\text{Qu}_t\mathfrak{s}}^{\text{vir}} - \Omega_{\text{Qu}_t\mathfrak{s}}^{\text{vir}} \mathfrak{k} \right)^{\vee}$$

→

$$K_{\text{Qu}_t\mathfrak{s}}^{\text{vir}} \otimes \mathfrak{k}^{\frac{\text{vd}}{2}}$$

$$= \left( K_{\text{Qu}_t\mathfrak{s}}^{\text{vir}} \right)^{\otimes 2} \mathfrak{k}^{\text{vd}}$$



$$\begin{aligned}
\circ \frac{1}{\Lambda_{-1}(N^{\text{vir}})^{\vee}} &= \Lambda_{-1}(\Omega^{\text{vir}} \#)^{\vee} \\
&= (-1)^{\text{vd}} \cdot \Lambda_{-1}(\Omega^{\text{vir}} \#) \otimes \det(\Omega^{\text{vir}} \#)^{\vee} \\
&= (-1)^{\text{vd}} (K_{\text{Quot}_S}^{\text{vir}})^{\vee} \#^{-\text{vd}} \otimes \Lambda_{-1}(\Omega^{\text{vir}} \#)^{\vee}
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
\chi^{\text{vir}}\left(\text{Quot}_S, \frac{K_{\text{Quot}_X}^{\frac{1}{2}} | \text{Quot}_S}{\Lambda_{-1}(N^{\text{vir}})^{\vee}}\right) &= (-1)^{\text{vd}} \chi^{\text{vir}}(\text{Quot}_S, \#^{-\frac{\text{vd}}{2}} \otimes \Lambda_{-1}(\Omega^{\text{vir}} \#)^{\vee}) \\
&= (-1)^{\text{vd}} \cdot y^{-\frac{\text{vd}}{2}} \cdot \chi^{\text{vir}}(\text{Quot}_S, \Lambda_{-y} \Omega^{\text{vir}}) \\
\downarrow y := e^t, t = c_1(\#) & \\
&= (-1)^{\text{vd}} \cdot \bar{\chi}_{-y}^{\text{vir}}(\text{Quot}_S)
\end{aligned}$$

Remark: 1) One can put descendents for these computations.

2) Without twisting  $\hat{\Theta}_{\text{Quot}_X}^{\text{vir}}$ , we obtain instead

$$\chi^{\text{vir}}(\text{Quot}_S, \Lambda_{-y^{-1}} T^{\text{vir}}).$$

Conclusion: If  $\text{Quot}_X$  admits expected virtual class, then

homological / K-theoretic  
descendent invariants  
of  $\text{Quot}_S$ .

= "instanton" contributions to  
descendent invariants  
of  $\text{Quot}_X$ .  
(up to normalizations)

Some hint that rationality might come from 3-fold theory:

$$\left\{ \begin{aligned} \tilde{Z}_{S, N, \beta}^H(q) &:= \sum_{n \in \mathbb{Z}} q^n \int_{[Quot_S(\mathbb{C}^N, \beta, n)]^{\text{vir}}} s(T^{\text{vir}}) \\ \tilde{Z}_{S, N, \beta}^K(q) &:= \sum_{n \in \mathbb{Z}} q^n \cdot \chi^{\text{vir}}(Quot_S(\mathbb{C}^N, \beta, n), \wedge_{\mathbb{Z}} T^{\text{vir}}) \end{aligned} \right.$$

are **NOT** rational functions in  $q$  variable in general.

Question: Can we use this speculation to conjecture more general rationality?

e.g. Elliptic genera...

$$* \quad Quot_S(\mathbb{C}^N, \beta, n) \longleftrightarrow Pair_S(\mathbb{C}^N, \beta, n)$$

$$\quad \quad \quad \downarrow \quad \quad \quad \quad \quad \quad \downarrow$$

$$\quad \quad \quad [\theta_S^{\oplus N} \xrightarrow{f} \mathbb{Q}] \quad \quad \quad [\theta_S^{\oplus N} \xrightarrow{f} \mathbb{Q}]$$

- $\mathbb{Q}$  arbitrary
- $f$  surjective

- $\mathbb{Q}$  pure of  $\dim=1$
- $\text{oker}(f)$  zero dimension.

Question: Does descendant series of Pair spaces of surfaces also yield rationality?

## ⑥ Virtual Segre/Verlinde correspondence.

Motivated from the study of (non-virtual) Segre/Verlinde series for  $S^{[n]}$ , we define

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} S_{S,N,\beta}(q|\alpha) := \sum_{n \in \mathbb{Z}} q^n \cdot \int_{[Quot_S(\mathbb{C}^N, \beta, n)]^{\text{vir}}} s(\alpha^{[n]}) \\ V_{S,N,\beta}(q|\alpha) := \sum_{n \in \mathbb{Z}} q^n \cdot \chi^{\text{vir}}(Quot_S(\mathbb{C}^N, \beta, n), \det \alpha^{[n]}) \end{array} \right.$$

They corresponds to  $Z_{S,N,\beta}^{f,g}(q|\alpha)$  for choices of

$$\text{Segre} \leftarrow f(z) = \frac{1}{1+z}, \quad g(z) = 1$$

$$\text{Verlinde} \leftarrow f(z) = e^z, \quad g(z) = \frac{z}{1-e^{-z}}.$$

Suppose that  $\beta$ : SW length  $N$ .

$$S_{S,N,\beta}(q, w|\alpha) = q^{-\beta \cdot K_S} \cdot A^{K_S^2} \cdot B^{K_S \cdot c_1(\alpha)} \cdot \sum_{\substack{\beta = \beta_1 + \dots + \beta_N \\ \text{vd}_{\beta_i} = 0}} \text{SW}(\underline{\beta}) \cdot \prod_i U_i^{\beta_i \cdot K_S} \cdot \prod_i V_i^{\beta_i \cdot c_1(\alpha)} \cdot \prod_{i < j} W_{i,j}^{\beta_i \cdot \beta_j}$$

$$V_{S,N,\beta}(\tilde{q}, \tilde{w}|\alpha) = \tilde{q}^{-\beta \cdot K_S} \cdot \tilde{A}^{K_S^2} \cdot \tilde{B}^{K_S \cdot c_1(\alpha)} \cdot \sum_{\substack{\beta = \beta_1 + \dots + \beta_N \\ \text{vd}_{\beta_i} = 0}} \text{SW}(\underline{\beta}) \cdot \prod_i \tilde{U}_i^{\beta_i \cdot K_S} \cdot \prod_i \tilde{V}_i^{\beta_i \cdot c_1(\alpha)} \cdot \prod_{i < j} \tilde{W}_{i,j}^{\beta_i \cdot \beta_j}$$

To state the correspondence, let

$$e^{-\tilde{w}_k} = 1 + w_k, \quad (-1)^N q = \prod_{k=1}^N (1 + w_k) \cdot \tilde{q}.$$

Thm (AJLOP)  $A = \tilde{A}$ ,

$$B = \tilde{B},$$

$$V_i = \tilde{V}_i,$$

$$W_{i,j} = \tilde{W}_{i,j} \cdot V_i \cdot V_j,$$

$$U_i = (-1)^{N-1} \cdot \prod_{k=1}^N (1 + w_k) \cdot B \cdot V_i \cdot \tilde{U}_i$$

e.g. If  $\beta=0$ , then only  $A, B$  series are involved.

$$\circ \circ S_{S,N,0}(q|\alpha) = V_{S,N,0}((-1)^N q, \alpha).$$

For the punctual Quot scheme ( $\beta=0$ ),  $V_{S,N}(q, \alpha)$

exhibits symmetry exchanging  $N \leftrightarrow \text{rk}(\alpha)$ .

Define  $\mu(\alpha) := \frac{k \cdot c_1(\alpha)}{\text{rk}(\alpha)}$ .

Thm (AJLOP) •  $\alpha, \tilde{\alpha}$  :  $k$ -theory classes of rank  $r, N \geq 1$

•  $\mu(\alpha) = \mu(\tilde{\alpha})$ .

$$\Rightarrow V_{S,N}(q|\alpha) = V_{S,r}(q|\tilde{\alpha}), \text{ in other words,}$$

$$\chi^{\text{vir}}(\text{Quot}_S(\mathbb{C}^N, n), \det \alpha^{[n]}) = \chi^{\text{vir}}(\text{Quot}_S(\mathbb{C}^r, n), \det \tilde{\alpha}^{[n]})$$

This reminds the level-rank duality (strange duality) for moduli of stable bundles of curves.

Thank You