

Lecture 12. DR formula, Localization

- Pixton's formula for DR cycles
- Atiyah - Bott localization
- T-fixed locus of $\overline{M}_{g,n}(\mathbb{P}^1, d)$

S1. Pixton's formula for DR cycles

$$A = (a_1, \dots, a_n) \in \mathbb{Z}^n \text{ s.t. } \sum a_i = 0.$$

$r > 0$: positive integer.

$\Gamma \in G_{g,n}$: stable graph

Def A **weighting mod r** of Γ is a function

$$w : H(\Gamma) \longrightarrow \{0, 1, \dots, r-1\} \quad \text{s.t.}$$

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 set of half edges

(I) $i \in \text{Markings}$ $w(i) \equiv a_i \pmod{r}$

(II) $e = (h, h') \in \text{Edges}$, $w(h) + w(h') \equiv 0 \pmod{r}$

(III) $v \in \text{Vertex}$, $\sum_{h \sim v} w(h) \equiv 0 \pmod{r}$

$\rightsquigarrow W_{\Gamma, r} := \text{set of weightings mod } r \text{ on } \Gamma. |W_{\Gamma, r}| = r^{h^1(\Gamma)}$

Def (Pixton) $P_g^{d,r}(A)$ is the degree d component of

$$\sum_{\Gamma \in G_{g,n}} \sum_{w \in W_{\Gamma, r}} \frac{1}{|\text{Aut}(\Gamma)|} \frac{1}{r^{h^1(\Gamma)}} \cdot \sum_{\Gamma^*} \left[\prod_{i=1}^n \exp\left(\frac{1}{2} a_i^2 \psi_i\right) \cdot \prod_{e=(h,h')} \frac{1 - \exp\left(-\frac{w(h)w(h')}{2} (\psi_h + \psi_{h'})\right)}{\psi_h + \psi_{h'}} \right]$$

$\hookrightarrow P_g^{d,r}(A)$ is polynomial in r ($r \gg 0$).

$P_g^d(A) = \text{const. term of } P_g^{d,r}(A)$

↑
combinatorial!

$$C = C_1 \cup C_2 \quad \text{Pic}^0(C) \cong \text{Pic}^0(C_1) \times \text{Pic}^0(C_2)$$

Digression (DR cycles on compact type curves)

$$M_{g,n}^{\text{ct}} = \{ (C, p_i) \mid \text{Pic}^0(C) \text{ is compact} \} \xrightarrow{\text{open}} \overline{M}_{g,n}$$

\Leftrightarrow the dual graph of C has no loops.

Over $M_{g,n}^{\text{ct}}$, Abel-Jacobi section naturally extends.

Let

$$\Theta = \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{1}{2} a_i^2 \psi_i + \sum_{\substack{I \cup J = [n] \\ g_1 + g_2 = g}} -\frac{a_I^2}{2} \left[\begin{array}{c} I \\ \bullet \\ \vdots \\ g_1 \end{array} \text{---} \begin{array}{c} J \\ \bullet \\ \vdots \\ g_2 \end{array} \right]$$

$\in H^2(\overline{M}_{g,n})$

\uparrow $a_I = -a_J$

where $a_I = \sum_{i \in I} a_i$

Thm (Hain)

$$DR_g^{\text{ct}}(A) := DR_g(A) |_{M_{g,n}^{\text{ct}}} = [\exp(\Theta)]_{\text{deg}=g}$$

Exercise $P_g^g(A) |_{M_{g,n}^{\text{ct}}} = [\exp \Theta]_{\text{deg}=g}$

(Hint: use self-intersection formula for boundary divisors)

□ Formula for λ_g .

Recall $DR_g(\phi) = (-1)^g \lambda_g \in H^{2g}(\overline{\mathcal{M}}_g)$.

Exercise from middle school:

$$\sum_{k=1}^n k = \frac{n(n+1)}{2}, \quad \sum_{k=1}^n k^2 = \frac{n(n+1)(2n+1)}{6}$$

$$\sum_{k=1}^n k^3 = \frac{n^2(n+1)^2}{4}, \quad \sum_{k=1}^n k^4 = \frac{n(n+1)(2n+1)(3n^2+3n-1)}{30}$$

$g=1$: λ_1 on $\overline{\mathcal{M}}_{1,1}$

$$a_1 = 0$$

$$\Gamma = \begin{array}{c} 1 \\ | \\ \textcircled{hw} \\ | \\ r-w \end{array} \quad |\text{Aut} \Gamma| = 2.$$

$$P_1^{1,r}(\phi) = \frac{1}{2} \frac{1}{r} \sum_{\Gamma^*} \left[\frac{1 - \exp\left(-\frac{w(h)w(h')}{2} (\psi_h + \psi_{h'})\right)}{\psi_h + \psi_{h'}} \right]_{dg=0}$$

$$\rightsquigarrow \frac{1}{2} \sum_{w=0}^{r-1} w(r-w) = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{w=0}^{r-1} -w^2 + r \cdot \sum_{w=0}^{r-1} w$$

$$= -\frac{1}{2} \cdot \frac{1}{6} r + O(r^2)$$

higher order term

$$\Rightarrow \lambda_1 = \frac{1}{2} \cdot \frac{1}{2} \cdot \frac{1}{6} [\Gamma] = \frac{1}{24} \sum_{\Gamma^*} 1$$

$$g=2.$$

$$\Gamma_1 = \begin{array}{c} s=1 \\ \text{w} \bullet \text{r-w} \\ \text{h} \text{ h}' \\ \text{---} \\ \text{---} \end{array} \quad |\text{Aut } \Gamma_1| = 2$$

$$\frac{1 - \exp\left(-\frac{w(h)w(h')}{2}(\psi_h + \psi_{h'})\right)}{\psi_h + \psi_{h'}} = -\frac{1}{8}(w(h)w(h'))^2(\psi_h + \psi_{h'})$$

$$\rightsquigarrow \sum_{w=0}^{r-1} (w(r-w))^2 = \sum_{w=1}^{r-1} w^4 - 2r \sum_{w=1}^{r-1} w^3 + r^2 \sum_{w=1}^{r-1} w^2$$

higher order terms

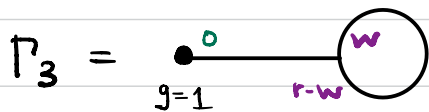
$$= -\frac{1}{30}r + o(r^2)$$

$$\text{Contribution of } \Gamma_1 = \frac{1}{2} \underbrace{\left(-\frac{1}{8}\right)}_{\text{aut.}} \left(-\frac{1}{30}\right) \cdot 2 \sum \Gamma_1^*(\psi_h)$$

$$\Gamma_2 = \begin{array}{c} \text{w} \quad \text{w}' \\ \text{---} \quad \text{---} \\ \text{r-w} \bullet \text{r-w}' \\ \text{---} \quad \text{---} \end{array} \quad |\text{Aut } \Gamma_2| = 8$$

$$\left(\frac{1}{2} \sum_{w=0}^{r-1} w(r-w)\right) \left(\frac{1}{2} \sum_{w'=0}^{r-1} w'(r-w')\right) = \frac{1}{12} \cdot \frac{1}{12} r^2 + o(r^3)$$

$$\text{Contribution of } \Gamma_2 = \frac{1}{8} \cdot \frac{1}{12} \cdot \frac{1}{12} = \frac{1}{1152} \sum \Gamma_2^* \cdot 1$$



← does not contribute!

$$\Rightarrow \lambda_2 = \frac{1}{240} \sum \Gamma_1 * \Psi_h + \frac{1}{1152} \sum \Gamma_2 * 1.$$

Ex A graph $\Gamma \in \mathcal{G}_g$ which has a separating edge does not appear in $\mathcal{P}_g^s(\phi)$.

How Bernoulli numbers appear?

$$\frac{t}{e^t - 1} = \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} B_j \frac{t^j}{j!} \quad (\text{Taylor expansion at } t=0)$$

Check (Faulhaber formula) Let p : positive integer

$$\sum_{k=1}^n k^p = \sum_{k=0}^p \frac{(-1)^{p-k}}{k+1} \binom{p}{k} B_{p-k} n^{k+1}$$

↙ appears when we compute weightings of edges of Γ .

We will see Bernoulli numbers in other context (Chiodo's formula)

S2. Atiyah - Bott localization formula.

M : nonsingular algebraic variety / \mathbb{C}

$$T = (\mathbb{C}^*)^r \hookrightarrow M.$$

$$H_T^*(pt) = \mathbb{Q}[t_1, \dots, t_r]$$

$$M^T = \{x \in M \mid t \cdot x = x \quad \forall t \in T\} \xrightarrow[\text{closed}]{i} M$$

$$\coprod_j M_j^T \leftarrow \text{connected components}$$

Atiyah - Bott localization has **two** parts.

$i: M^T \rightarrow M$ is T -equivariant and hence induces a map

$$i_*: H_T^*(M^T) \longrightarrow H_T^*(M)$$

Thm 1 i_* is an isomorphism after inverting t :

pf) Let's try to prove this for Chow groups.

Let $U = M \setminus M^T$. We have an exact sequence

$$CH_*^T(U, 1) \rightarrow CH_*^T(M^T) \xrightarrow{i_*} CH_*^T(M) \rightarrow CH_*^T(U) \rightarrow 0$$

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T -equiv. 1st higher Chow group.

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T -equiv. Chow group


Since U is the complement of T -fixed points, $[U/T]$ is DM-stack (ie stabilizer group is finite)

$$\Rightarrow \mathrm{CH}_*^T(U) = \mathrm{CH}_*([U/T]) = 0 \quad * < 0$$
$$\mathrm{CH}_*(U, 1) = 0 \quad * < -1.$$

L_* is $\mathbb{Q}[\tau]$ -module homomorphism

$\Rightarrow \ker L_* \ \& \ \mathrm{coker} L_*$ is killed by multiplying τ^N ,
 $N \gg 0$. □

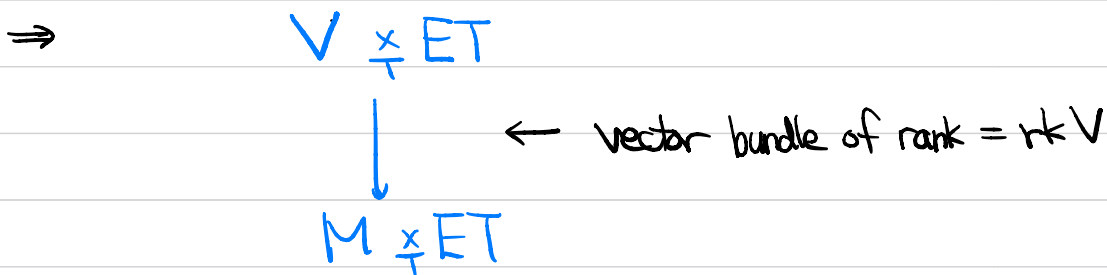
Remark We haven't used the fact that M is nonsingular.
 \Rightarrow Thm 1 holds for **any** M (at least when $M = \mathrm{DM}\text{-stack}$)

 When M is a DM-stack $T \hookrightarrow M^T$ can be nontrivial and the proof needs a slight modification.

The second part of the localization theorem describes
 i_* .

- Equivariant euler class

Def T -equivariant vector bundle is a vector bundle $p: V \rightarrow M$ with T -action on V st $\forall x \in M, t \in T,$
 $t: V_x \longrightarrow V_{t \cdot x}$ is linear isom.



Def $e_T(V) := e(V \times_{\mathbb{Z}} ET) \in H^*(M \times_{\mathbb{Z}} ET) = H_T^*(M)$

Example $T = \mathbb{C}^* \subset \text{pt}$. Then

$$\left\{ T\text{-equiv. vbdle on pt} \right\} \longleftrightarrow \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{finite dim'l} \\ T\text{-representation} \end{array} \right\}$$

Let $V = \mathbb{C}$ st $t \cdot v = t^n v \quad t \in \mathbb{C}^*.$ Then

$$e_T(V) = -nt \in H_T^*(\text{pt}) = \mathbb{Q}[t]$$

(Hint: we approximate $ET = \mathbb{C}^{N+1} - \{0\}$. Then $V \times_{\mathbb{Z}} ET$ is a line bundle $\mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}^N}(-n)$).

On M_j^T ,

$$0 \rightarrow TM_j^T \xrightarrow{\text{wt}=0} TM|_{M_j^T} \xrightarrow{\text{wt} \neq 0} \text{Nor}_j \rightarrow 0$$

T-equiv. v.bdd
on M_j^T .

Thm 2 $[M] = \sum_j \iota_j^* \frac{[M_j]}{e_T(\text{Nor}_j)}$ in $H_T^*(M)(t_1, \dots, t_n)$

pf) Proof is a simple consequence of excess intersection formula.

Recall $V \xrightarrow{i} W$, both V, W are smooth. Then

$$\iota^* \iota_* \alpha = e(N_V W) \cap \alpha \quad \forall \alpha \in H^*(V)$$

↳ abs. holds in T-equiv setting.

By Thm 1

$$[M] = \sum_{j=1}^m \iota_j^* \alpha_j \quad \exists \alpha_j \in H_T^*(M_j^T)(t_1, \dots, t_r)$$

Excess intersection \Rightarrow

$$\begin{cases} \iota_j^* \iota_j_* \alpha_j = e_T(\text{Nor}_j) \cap \alpha_j \\ [M_j] \\ \iota_k^* \iota_j_* = 0 \quad \text{if } k \neq j \end{cases}$$

$$e_T(\text{Nor}_j) \text{ is invertible in } H_T^*(M_j^T) \Rightarrow d_j = \frac{[M_j]}{e_T(\text{Nor}_j)}$$

$\otimes \mathbb{Q}(t_1, \dots, t_r)$



• How to use it practically?

$M = \text{Smooth, proper scheme} / \mathbb{C} \hookrightarrow T.$

$\gamma \in H^*(M)$

Goal: Compute the integral $\int_M \gamma \in \mathbb{Q}$

Lemma Consider the restriction $H_T^*(M) \rightarrow H^*(M)$ (setting $t_i = 0$). Choose a lift $\tilde{\gamma} \in H_T^*(M)$. Then

$$\int_M \gamma = \int_M \tilde{\gamma} \in \mathbb{Q}$$

↪ usual pushforward
← equivariant pushforward

proof

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 M & \xrightarrow{\mathcal{S}'} & M \times_T ET \\
 \epsilon_* \downarrow & & \downarrow \textcircled{\epsilon} \\
 * & \xrightarrow{\mathcal{S}} & ET \xleftarrow{\text{flat}}
 \end{array}
 \quad \epsilon_* \circ \mathcal{S}'^* \tilde{\gamma} = \mathcal{S}^* \epsilon_* \tilde{\gamma}$$



Cor $\int_M \gamma = \sum_{j=1}^m \int_{M_j^T} \frac{\tilde{\gamma}|_{M_j^T}}{e_T(M_j^T M)} \in \mathbb{Q}$

pf) Lemma + Thm 2. □

Example $M = \mathbb{P}^1$, $H^*(M) = \mathbb{Q}[H]/H^2$, $\gamma = H \in H^*(M)$.

$T = \mathbb{C}^* \curvearrowright M$ by $t \cdot [z_0 : z_1] = [z_0 : tz_1]$.

Two fixed pts: $[0] \neq [\infty]$.

$H_T^*(\mathbb{P}^1) = \mathbb{Q}[H, t] / H(H-t)$, $\tilde{\gamma} = H + at$, $a \in \mathbb{Q}$

$$\int_{\mathbb{P}^1} \gamma = \int_{\mathbb{P}^1} \tilde{\gamma} = \frac{t+at}{t} + \frac{at}{-t} = 1$$

T -inv. divisor

$\mathbb{P}^1 \not\cong ET$

$\cong \mathbb{P}(\mathcal{O} \oplus \mathcal{O}(1))$

$H = c_1(\mathcal{O}(\underbrace{D_\infty}_{\mathbb{P}(\mathcal{O} \oplus \mathcal{O}(1))}))$

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BT

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 $\mathbb{C}P^\infty$

$\cong \cong$

§3. Fixed locus of $\bar{M}_{g,n}(\mathbb{P}^1, d) \curvearrowright T$.

Let $T \subset \mathbb{P}^1$ (say, $t[z_0 : z_1] = [z_0 : tz_1]$) with two fixed pts $[0] \neq [\infty] \in \mathbb{P}^1$.

$$\bar{M}_{g,n}(\mathbb{P}^1, d) \ni [f: C \rightarrow \mathbb{P}^1],$$
$$t \cdot [f] = [C \xrightarrow{f} \mathbb{P}^1 \xrightarrow{t} \mathbb{P}^1]$$

Q What is the T -fixed locus?

If $f: C \rightarrow \mathbb{P}^1$ factors through $[0]$ or $[\infty]$, it is obviously T -fixed, i.e. $t \cdot [f] = [f]$

T -fixed point for DM-stack is a bit more subtle!

Def $[f] \in \bar{M}_{g,n}(\mathbb{P}^1, d)$ is a T -fixed locus if for any $t \in T$, $\exists \phi_t \in \text{Aut}(C, p_i)$ s.t.

$$\begin{array}{ccc} C & \xrightarrow{t \cdot f} & \mathbb{P}^1 \\ \phi_t \Big\| \cong & \curvearrowright & \nearrow f \\ C & & \end{array}$$

Example $[f_d : \mathbb{C} \xrightarrow{z \mapsto z^d} \mathbb{P}^1] \in \mathcal{M}_{0,0}(\mathbb{P}^1, d)$.

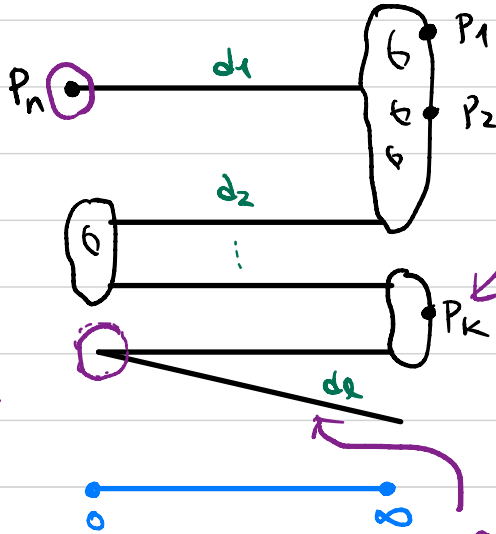
Then $[f_d]$ is T -fixed locus.

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \mathbb{C} & \xrightarrow{f_d} & \mathbb{P}^1 \\ \downarrow \cong & \curvearrowright & \downarrow t \\ \mathbb{C} & \xrightarrow{f_d} & \mathbb{P}^1 \end{array} \quad \phi_t = \sqrt[d]{t}$$

(In fact $T \hookrightarrow M^T$ nontrivially when $d \geq 2$)

In general: T -fixed locus of $\overline{\mathcal{M}}_{g,n}(\mathbb{P}^1, d)$.

* Special points (markings & ramification pts) should be map to T -fixed points of the target



Contracted components should be stable

always of the form $z \mapsto z^{d_e}$