

# The Higher Dimensional Tropical Vertex

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- $(X, D)$  a log Calabi-Yau pair:  $X$   $n$ -dimensional smooth projective variety over  $\mathbb{C}$  and  $D$  a reduced simple normal crossings divisor in  $X$  with  $K_X + D = 0$ .
- $\{D_i\}_{i \in I}$  the irreducible components of  $D$ .
- Assume that  $D$  is maximally degenerate, i.e. that there exists a set  $\{D_j\}_{j \in J}$  of components of  $D$  such that  $\bigcap_{j \in J} D_j$  is non-empty and 0-dimensional.
- (Trivial) example:  $X$  a smooth projective toric variety and  $D$  the union of toric boundary divisors.
- More interesting example: start with  $X_\Sigma$  a smooth projective toric variety and choose general hypersurfaces  $H_1, \dots, H_s$  inside some toric divisors of  $X_\Sigma$ . Let  $X$  be the blow-up of  $X_\Sigma$  along  $H = H_1 \cup \dots \cup H_s$ , and  $D$  be the strict transform of the union of toric boundary divisors of  $X_\Sigma$ . Then  $(X, D)$  is a maximally degenerate log Calabi-Yau pair.

- Given  $(X, D)$  a maximally degenerate log Calabi-Yau pair, the complement  $U$  of  $D$  in  $X$  is a non-compact Calabi-Yau variety.
- SYZ mirror symmetry predicts that  $U$  should admit a Lagrangian torus fibration and that the mirror of  $U$  should be constructed by dualizing this torus fibration and by correcting the resulting complex structure using counts of Maslov index 0 holomorphic disks with boundary on the SYZ torus fibers.
- Algebro-geometric realization of this idea: replace counts of Maslov index 0 disks by counts of punctured log maps. Use these counts to construct the *canonical scattering diagram*, and reconstruct the mirror from this scattering diagram (Gross-Siebert, see Mark's talk).

- For  $(X, D)$  toric,  $U = (\mathbb{C}^*)^n$ , which admits a smooth Lagrangian torus fibration. There are no Maslov index 0 holomorphic disks, the canonical scattering diagram is essentially trivial and the mirror is just the dual  $(\mathbb{C}^*)^n$ .
- For  $(X, D)$  obtained from a toric pair by blow-up of hypersurfaces in its toric boundary,  $U$  is no longer  $(\mathbb{C}^*)^n$ . The Lagrangian torus fibration necessarily has singularities, there are non-trivial Maslov index 0 disks and the canonical scattering diagram can be very non-trivial.

## Theorem (A-Gross, 2007.08347)

*For  $(X, D)$  obtained from a toric pair by blow-up of hypersurfaces in its toric boundary, the canonical scattering diagram admits a completely algorithmic description.*

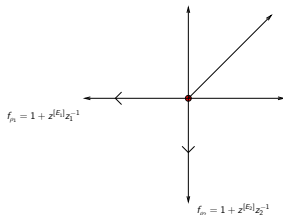
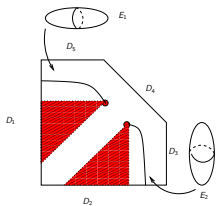
- Review of the two-dimensional case
  - The canonical scattering diagram  $\mathfrak{D}$ : Gross-Hacking-Keel
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(The higher dimensional tropical vertex)

# The two-dimensional case

- $(X, D)$ : log Calabi-Yau surface obtained from a toric surface  $(\bar{X}, \bar{D})$  by blow-up of finitely many smooth points of  $\bar{D}$ .
- Example:  $(\bar{X}, \bar{D})$  toric blow-up of  $\mathbb{P}^2$  in two points ( $dP_7$ ). Let  $(X, D)$  obtained by blowing up two smooth points on distinct components of  $\bar{D}$  ( $dP_5$ ).

The **canonical scattering diagram**  $\mathfrak{D}$  attached to  $(X, D)$  is a union of pairs  $(\rho, f_\rho)$ , where

- $\rho$  are **walls**, i.e. codimension one cells of  $(B, \mathcal{P})$ .
- $f_\rho$  are **wall-crossing functions** attached to walls  $\rho$  which instruct us how to transform monomials across the wall.



# Walls and wall-crossing functions

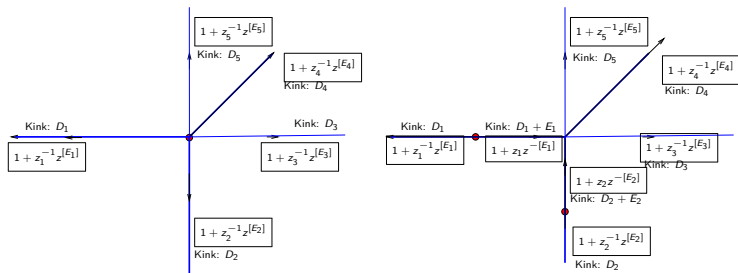
- $B$ : dual intersection complex of  $(X, D)$ , union of two-dimensional cones corresponding to the 0-dimensional strata of  $D$ . Denote by  $\mathcal{P}$  the corresponding cone decomposition of  $B$ .
- Define an integral affine structure on  $B - \{0\}$  from the intersection pattern of  $D$  (using as model the toric case).
- Walls of  $\mathfrak{D}$  are rays in  $B$  coming out from the origin  $0 \in B$ .
- For every  $\sigma$  a cone in  $\mathcal{P}$ ,  $\nu$  an integral tangent vector to  $\sigma$  whose direction is contained in  $\sigma$ , and  $\beta \in NE(X)$  a curve class, let  $N_{\nu, \beta}$  be the genus 0 log Gromov-Witten invariant counting rational curves in  $X$  of class  $\beta$  intersecting  $D$  at a single point with contact order  $\nu$ .
- Include the wall

$$(\mathbb{R}_{\geq 0}\nu, \exp(kN_{\nu, \beta}t^\beta z^{-\nu}))$$

in the canonical scattering diagram  $\mathfrak{D}$ , where  $k \in \mathbb{Z}_{>0}$  is the divisibility of  $\nu$ .

- The function attached to the wall is an element in  $\mathbb{Q}[[NE(X)]][[z^{-\nu}]]$ .

# Example: the canonical scattering diagram for $(dP_5, D)$



**Figure:** The canonical scattering diagram  $\mathfrak{D}$  associated to  $(dP_5, D)$  and its reduction  $\mathfrak{D}^{GS}$  to the Gross-Siebert locus



# The mirror to $dP_5 \setminus D$

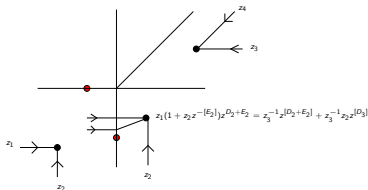


Figure: Broken lines in  $\mathcal{D}^{\text{GS}}$

$$\vartheta_1 = \dots$$

$$\vartheta_2 = z_4^{-1} z_3 (1 + z_3^{-1} z^{[E_3]}) z^{[D_3]}$$

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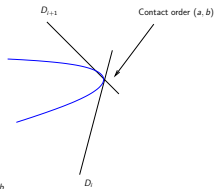
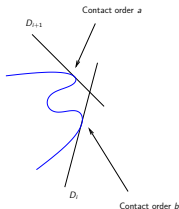
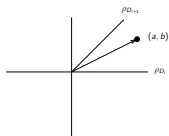
$$\vartheta_5 = \dots$$

$$(dP_5 \setminus D)^\vee = \text{Spec } \mathbb{C}[\vartheta_1, \dots, \vartheta_5] / (\vartheta_{i-1} \vartheta_{i+1} = z^{[D_i]} (\vartheta_i + z^{[E_i]})) .$$

# The (tropical) enumerative problem in dimension two

The canonical scattering diagram  $\mathfrak{D}$  is defined using enumerative information of  $(X, D)$ . This **enumerative problem in dimension two** is as follows:

- Fix  $\beta \in H_2(X, \mathbb{Z})$  and a two dimensional cone, with rays with primitive generators corresponding to the divisor  $D_i$  and  $D_{i+1}$  and fix  $v = am_i + bm_{i+1}$  where  $a$  and  $b$  are nonnegative integers.
- Question: What is the number of genus zero curves in  $Y$  of class  $\beta$  which intersect  $D$  at a single point with multiplicity  $a, b$  along respectively  $D_i$  and  $D_{i+1}$ ?



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# The two-dimensional “toric” scattering diagram

- Fix a realization of  $(X, D)$  as the blow-up of a toric surface  $X_\Sigma$  at a set  $H$  of finitely many smooth points of the toric boundary.
- Then we can define algorithmically, without using enumerative geometry, a scattering diagram  $\mathfrak{D}_{X_\Sigma, H}$  in  $\mathbb{R}^2$ .
- Start with the fan  $\Sigma$  of  $X_\Sigma$ .
- For every ray  $\rho_i$  of  $\Sigma$ , let  $m_i \in \mathbb{Z}^2$  be the primitive generator of  $\rho_i$ , and let  $H_i = \{H_{ij}\} \subset H$  the set of points on the divisor  $D_{\rho_i}$  that will be blown-up to obtain  $X$ .
- Let  $\mathfrak{D}_{X_\Sigma, H}^{in}$  be the scattering diagram in  $\mathbb{R}^2$  consisting of the walls

$$(\rho_i, \prod_j (1 + t_{ij} z^{m_i})).$$

- The scattering diagram  $\mathfrak{D}_{X_\Sigma, H}^{in}$  is not consistent (the composition around  $0 \in \mathbb{R}^2$  of the automorphisms defined by the walls is not the identity).

# The two-dimensional “toric” scattering diagram

- Define  $\mathfrak{D}_{X_\Sigma, H}$  as the minimal consistent scattering diagram containing  $\mathfrak{D}_{X_\Sigma, H}^{\text{in}}$ . The construction of  $\mathfrak{D}_{X_\Sigma, H}$  from  $\mathfrak{D}_{X_\Sigma, H}^{\text{in}}$  is entirely algebraic (Kontsevich-Soibelman, Gross-Siebert).

## Theorem

*The canonical scattering diagram  $\mathfrak{D}$  and the “toric” scattering diagram  $\mathfrak{D}_{X_\Sigma, H}$  determine each other.*

- Need to translate the variables  $t_{ij}$  appearing in  $\mathfrak{D}_{X_\Sigma, H}$  into curve classes on  $X$  ( $t_{ij}$  related to the exceptional divisor  $E_{ij}$  in  $X$  obtained by blowing-up the point  $H_{ij}$  on the toric divisor  $D_{\rho_i}$ ).
- This theorem gives an efficient way to compute the log Gromov-Witten invariants  $N_{v, \beta}$  (algebro-geometric version of counts of Maslov index 0 disks) and so the mirror geometry.

# The higher dimensional case

- $(X, D)$ :  $n$ -dimensional log Calabi-Yau pair obtained from a toric variety  $(\bar{X}, \bar{D})$  by blow-up of finitely many general hypersurfaces contained in the irreducible components of  $\bar{D}$ .
- Example: start with  $\bar{X} = \mathbb{P}^3$  and  $\bar{D} = \bar{D}_1 + \bar{D}_2 + \bar{D}_3 + \bar{D}_4$  its toric boundary. Take  $H$  to be the union of a line  $\ell_1$  in  $\bar{D}_1$  and of a line  $\ell_2$  in  $\bar{D}_2$ . Assume that  $\ell_1$  and  $\ell_2$  are chosen generally, so that they do not intersect. Then  $X = Bl_{\ell_1 \cup \ell_2}(\mathbb{P}^3)$  is an interesting 3-dimensional Fano variety.
- $B$ : dual intersection of  $(X, D)$ , with the cone decomposition  $\mathcal{P}$ , whose cones are in one-to-one correspondence with the strata of  $D$ . In particular, 0-dimensional strata of  $D$  correspond to  $n$ -dimensional cones of  $\mathcal{P}$ .
- Define an integral structure on  $B$  away from cones of  $\mathcal{P}$  of codimension  $\geq 2$ . Codimension 1 cones correspond to curves  $C_i$  contained in  $D$  and the integral affine structure across these codimension 1 cones is defined in terms of the intersection numbers  $C_i \cdot D_j$ .

# The higher dimensional canonical scattering diagram

- $\mathfrak{D}$ : the canonical scattering diagram attached to  $(X, D)$ .
- Walls of  $\mathfrak{D}$  are cones contained in codimension 1 integral affine subspaces of  $B$ .
- For every  $\sigma$  a cone in  $\mathcal{P}$ ,  $v$  an integral tangent vector to  $\sigma$  and  $\beta \in NE(X)$ , consider genus 0 punctured log maps in  $X$  of class  $\beta$  intersecting  $D$  at a point with contact order  $v$ .
- If the direction of  $v$  is contained in  $\sigma$ ,  $v$  only involves non-negative contact orders, and punctured log maps are just usual stable log maps in this case.
- If the direction of  $v$  is not contained in  $\sigma$ , then  $v$  involves negative contact orders and the full theory of punctured log maps is necessary.

# The higher dimensional canonical scattering diagram

- Punctured log maps in  $X$  of class  $\beta$  intersecting  $D$  at a point with contact order  $\nu$  have tropicalizations, which are family of tropical curves in  $B$  with one leg, corresponding to the marked point where the contact condition with  $D$  is imposed.
- The  $(n - 1)$ -dimensional walls of  $\mathfrak{D}$  are formed by the union of legs of  $(n - 2)$ -dimensional families of punctured log maps.
- More precisely, for every  $\tau$  a type of tropical curve having a  $(n - 2)$ -dimensional space of deformation, there is a corresponding moduli space of class  $\beta$  punctured log maps of virtual dimension 0 and we consider the corresponding invariant  $N_{\tau, \beta} \in \mathbb{Q}$ .
- Include the wall

$$(\mathfrak{d}_{\tau}, \exp(k_{\tau} N_{\tau, \beta} t^{\beta} z^{-\nu}))$$

in the canonical scattering diagram  $\mathfrak{D}$ , where  $k_{\tau}$  is some multiplicity (tropical curves are really tropical maps and  $k_{\tau}$  is some lattice index).

# The higher dimensional canonical scattering diagram

- In dimension  $n = 2$ , the only type  $\tau$  of tropical curves with 0-dimensional moduli space of deformation are the rays  $\mathbb{R}_{\geq 0}v$  with the direction of  $v$  contained in  $\sigma$ . It is why the two-dimensional canonical scattering diagram only involves  $\log$  (and not punctured  $\log$ ) invariants and so is much simpler than the higher dimensional case.
- In dimension  $n \geq 3$ , there can exist tropical curves with  $(n - 2)$ -dimensional moduli space of deformation and with the direction of  $v$  not contained in  $\sigma$ : the corresponding leg will be bounded (either hitting the boundary of  $\sigma$  or another wall), corresponding to the tropicalization of a punctured point.



# The higher dimensional "toric" scattering diagram

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$$(W_{ij}, 1 + t_{ij}z^{m_i})$$

where  $W_{ij}$  are piecewise-linear codimension 1 suspaces of  $\mathbb{R}^n$  obtained by translating in the direction  $m_i$  the tropicalization of  $H_{ij}$ . In dimension  $n = 3$ ,  $W_{ij}$  is a "widget".

# The toric scattering diagram

## Example

Let  $X$  be obtained by blowing-up  $\mathbb{P}^3$  with centre two disjoint lines  $\ell_1, \ell_2$ . Two widgets  $W_1$  and  $W_2$  formed by  $\text{Trop}(\ell_1)$  and  $\text{Trop}(\ell_2)$  are obtained by moving  $\text{Trop}(\ell_1)$  and  $\text{Trop}(\ell_2)$  along the rays  $e_1 = (1, 0, 0)$  and  $e_2 = (0, 1, 0)$ .

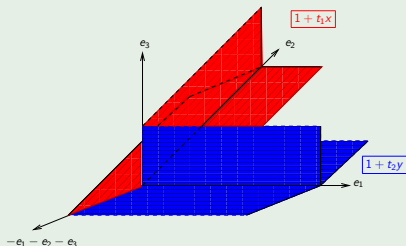


Figure: Two widgets.

# The higher dimensional "toric" scattering diagram

- The scattering diagram  $\mathfrak{D}_{X_\Sigma, H}^{in}$  is not consistent.
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## Theorem (A-Gross, 2020)

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- This theorem gives an efficient way to compute the punctured log Gromov-Witten invariants  $N_{\tau, \beta}$  (algebraic-geometric version of counts of Maslov index 0 disks) and so the mirror geometry (explicit descriptions for some Fano 3-folds).

# Idea of the proof

- Consider a degeneration over  $\mathbb{A}^1$  whose general fiber is  $X$  and whose special fiber is the union of  $X_\Sigma$  and of blown-up  $\mathbb{P}^1$ -bundles.
- Consider the canonical scattering diagram attached to the total space of the degeneration: it interpolates between the canonical scattering diagram  $\mathfrak{D}$  in  $B$  and the “toric” scattering diagram  $\mathfrak{D}_{X_\Sigma, H}$  in  $\mathbb{R}^n$  by “pushing the singularities to infinity”.

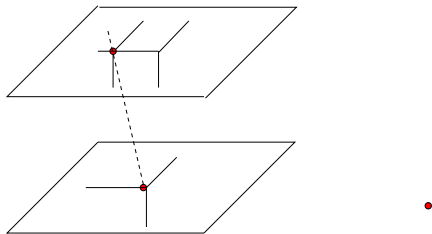
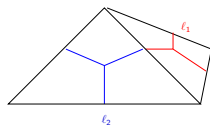
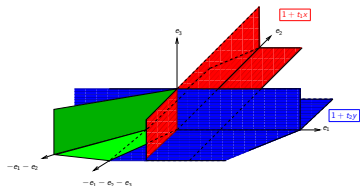


Figure: Degeneration to the normal cone.

# The toric scattering diagram associated to $\mathbb{P}^3$ with two lines $l_1$ and $l_2$

$\partial$	$f_\partial$
$\langle e_1, e_2 \rangle, \langle e_1, e_3 \rangle, \langle e_1, e_4 \rangle$	$1 + t_1x$
$\langle e_2, e_1 \rangle, \langle e_2, e_3 \rangle, \langle e_2, e_4 \rangle$	$1 + t_2y$
$\langle e_3, -e_1 \rangle, \langle e_4, -e_1 \rangle$	$1 + t_1x$
$\langle e_3, -e_2 \rangle, \langle e_4, -e_2 \rangle$	$1 + t_2y$
$\langle -e_2, -e_1 - e_2 \rangle, \langle -e_1, -e_1 - e_2 \rangle, \langle e_3, -e_1 - e_2 \rangle, \langle e_4, -e_1 - e_2 \rangle$	$1 + t_1t_2xy$
$\langle e_1, -e_2 \rangle$	$1 + t_2y + t_1t_2xy$
$\langle e_2, -e_1 \rangle$	$1 + t_1x + t_1t_2xy$

Table: Walls of  $\mathcal{D}(\mathbb{P}^3, l_1 \cup l_2)$



# The canonical scattering diagram associated to $\text{Bl}_{\ell_1 \cup \ell_2} \mathbb{P}^3$

$\mathfrak{d}$	$f_{\mathfrak{d}}$
$\langle e_1, e_2 \rangle, \langle e_1, e_3 \rangle, \langle e_1, e_4 \rangle$	$1 + t^{E_1} x^{-1}$
$\langle e_2, e_1 \rangle, \langle e_2, e_3 \rangle, \langle e_2, e_4 \rangle$	$1 + t^{E_2} y^{-1}$
$\langle e_3, -e_1 \rangle, \langle e_4, -e_1 \rangle$	$1 + t^{L-E_1} x$
$\langle e_3, -e_2 \rangle, \langle e_4, -e_2 \rangle,$	$1 + t^{L-E_2} y$
$\langle -e_1, -e_1 - e_2 \rangle, \langle -e_2, -e_1 - e_2 \rangle, \langle e_3, -e_1 - e_2 \rangle, \langle e_4, -e_1 - e_2 \rangle$	$1 + t^{L-E_1-E_2} xy$
$\langle e_1, -e_2 \rangle$	$1 + t^{L-E_2} y + t^{L-E_1-E_2} xy$
$\langle e_2, -e_1 \rangle$	$1 + t^{L-E_1} x + t^{L-E_1-E_2} xy$

Table: Walls of  $\mathfrak{D}_{\text{Bl}_{\ell_1 \cup \ell_2}(\mathbb{P}^3), \tilde{\mathfrak{D}}}$

Here  $L$  is the strict transform of a general line in 3, and  $E_i$  are exceptional fibers over general points on  $\ell_i$ . Recall from Mark's talk these walls of the canonical scattering diagram are of the form

$$(h(\tau_{\text{out}}), \exp(k_{\tau} N_{\tilde{\tau}} t^{\beta} z^{-u})).$$

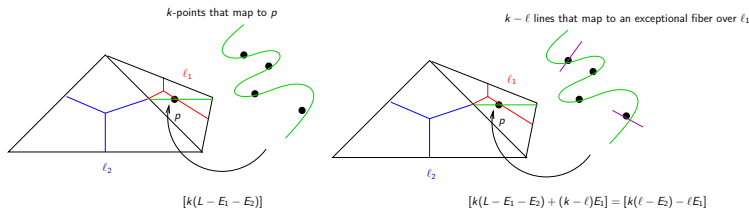
where  $\beta$  is a curve class in  $\text{Bl}_{\ell_1 \cup \ell_2}(\mathbb{P}^3)$  and  $\tilde{\tau} = (\tau, \underline{\beta})$  records the type  $\tau$  of a punctured map  $f : C^{\circ}/W \rightarrow \text{Bl}_{\ell_1 \cup \ell_2}(\mathbb{P}^3)$ , with one punctured point, and  $N_{\tilde{\tau}}$  is the corresponding punctured invariant, and  $k_{\tau}$  is a constant lattice index.

# Example

For  $(\partial, f_0) = (\langle e_1, -e_2 \rangle, 1 + t^{L-E_2}y + t^{L-E_1-E_2}xy)$  we have

$$\log(f_0) = \sum_{k \geq 1} \sum_{\ell=0}^k k \frac{(-1)^{k+1}}{k^2} \binom{k}{\ell} t^{k(L-E_2)-\ell E_1} x^\ell y^k.$$

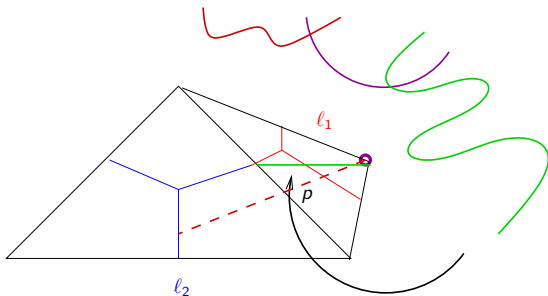
There are two one-dimensional families of punctured maps of class  $k(L - E_2 - \ell E_1)$ . The first family:



# Example

The second family of punctured maps of class  $k(L - E_1 - E_2) + (k - \ell)E_1$ .

$$[(k - \ell)(L - E_2)]$$

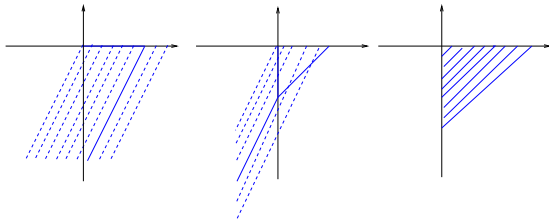


$$[\ell(L - E_1 - E_2)]$$



# Example

The two tropical families.



**Figure:** The two tropical families and their cancellation with support  $\langle e_1, -e_2 \rangle$