

Title: Mirror Symmetry for Blow Ups

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Abstract: This talk is a report on joint work with Mohammed Abouzaid and Ludmil Katzarkov about mirror symmetry for blowups, from the perspective of the Strominger-Yau-Zaslow conjecture. Namely, we first describe how to construct a Lagrangian torus fibration on the blowup of a toric variety X along a codimension 2 subvariety S contained in a toric hypersurface. Then we discuss the SYZ mirror and its instanton corrections, to provide an explicit description of the mirror Landau-Ginzburg model (possibly up to higher order corrections to the superpotential). This construction allows one to recover geometrically the predicted mirrors in various interesting settings: pairs of pants, curves of arbitrary genus, etc.

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Mirror symmetry for Calabi-Yau manifolds

Symplectic geometry (A)

(X, J, ω, Ω) Calabi-Yau

Gromov-Witten invariants

Lagrangian submanifolds

Fukaya category

Complex geometry (B)

$(X^\vee, J^\vee, \omega^\vee, \Omega^\vee)$ Calabi-Yau

Hodge theory

Analytic cycles

Derived category of coherent sheaves

- **Calabi-Yau:** (X, J) complex manifold, ω compatible Kähler form
 $K_X = \Omega^{n,0} \simeq \mathcal{O}_X$, $\Omega \in \Omega^{n,0}(X)$ holomorphic volume form
example: \mathbb{C}^n , J_0 , $\omega_0 = \frac{i}{2} \sum dz_j \wedge d\bar{z}_j$, $\Omega_0 = dz_1 \wedge \cdots \wedge dz_n$
(do not require $|\Omega|^2 \sim \omega^n$ or $Ric = 0$: “almost Calabi-Yau”)
- symplectic data ω determines complex data J^\vee, Ω^\vee and vice-versa

How to construct a mirror?

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- $T_{(L, \nabla)} M = \{(\nu, \omega) \in C^\infty(NL) \oplus \Omega^1(L; \mathbb{R}) \mid \nu, \omega - \nu \in H_1^1(L) \oplus \mathbb{C}\}$
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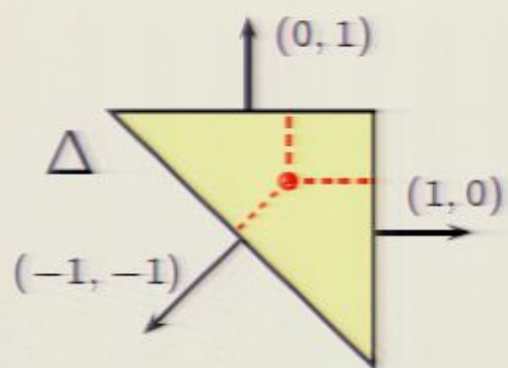
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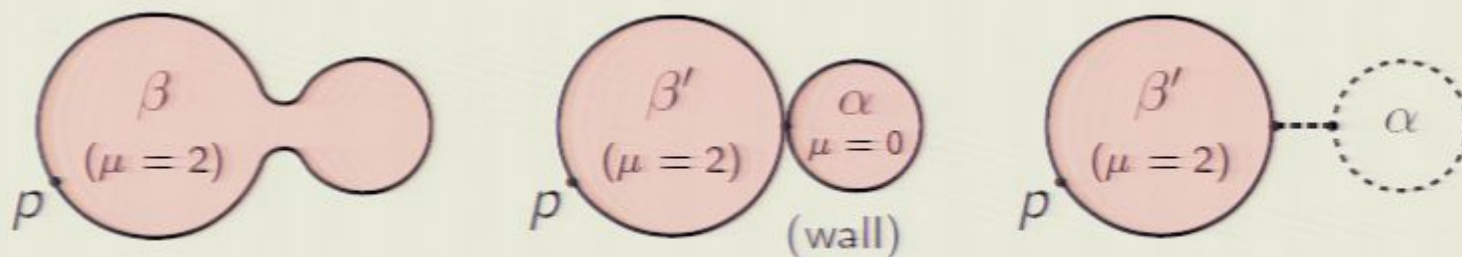
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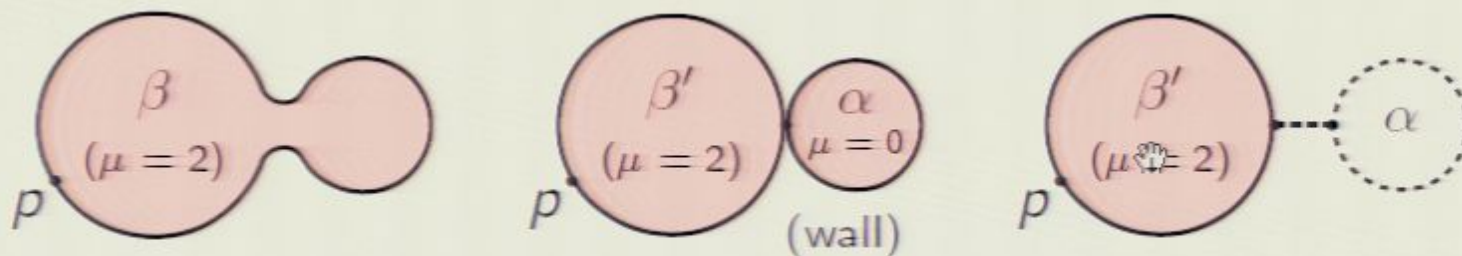
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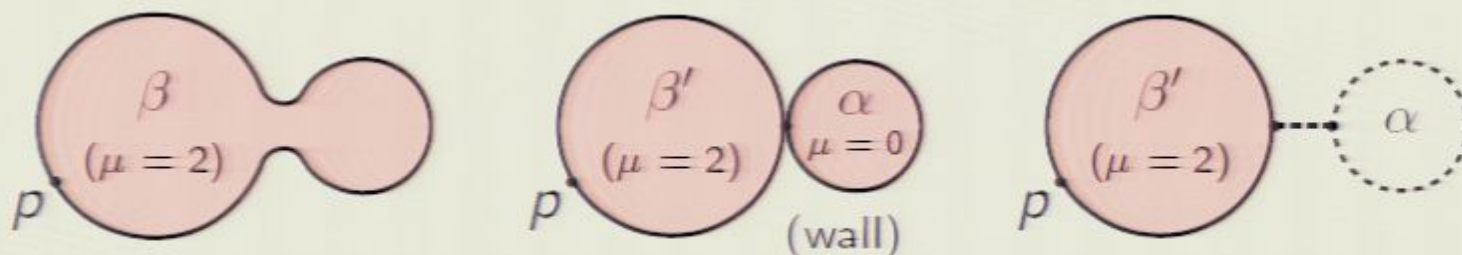
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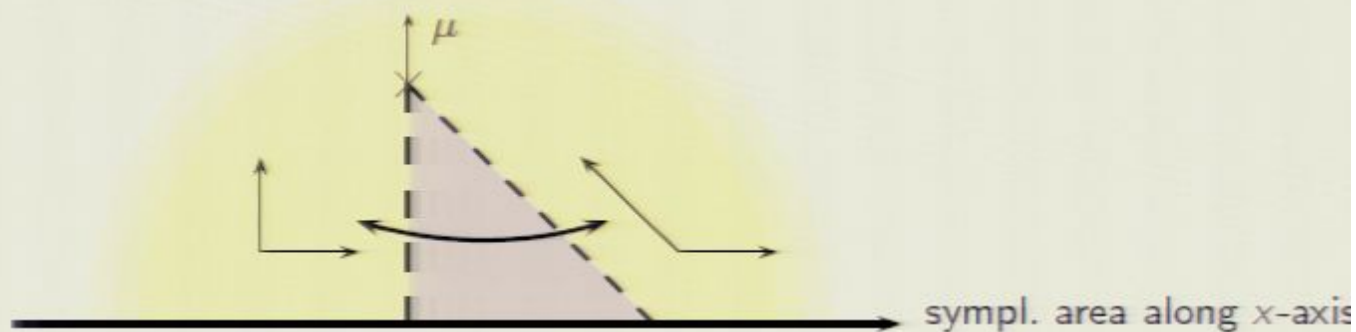
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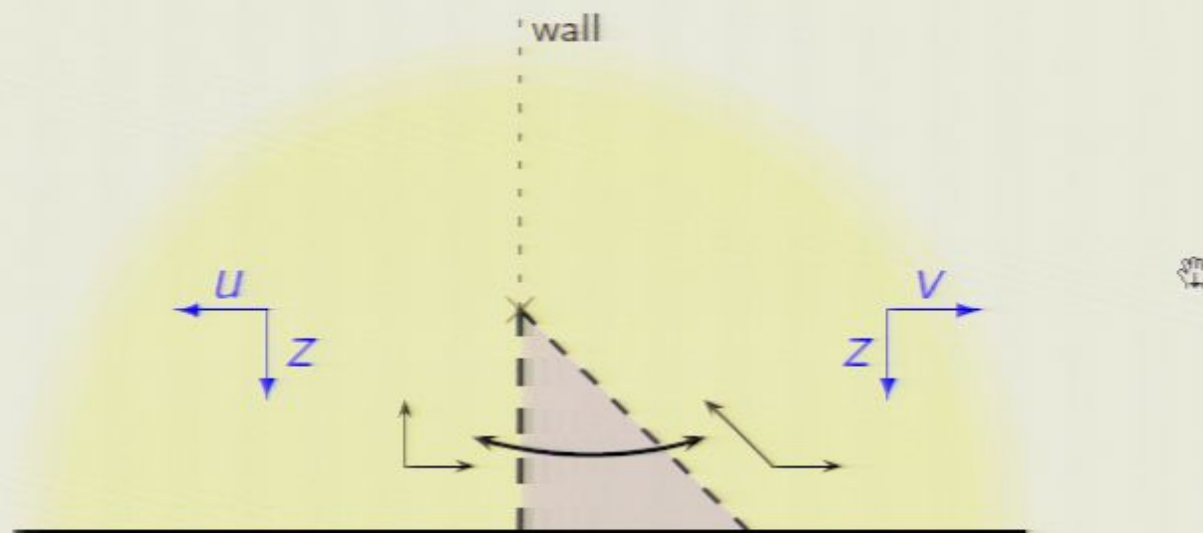


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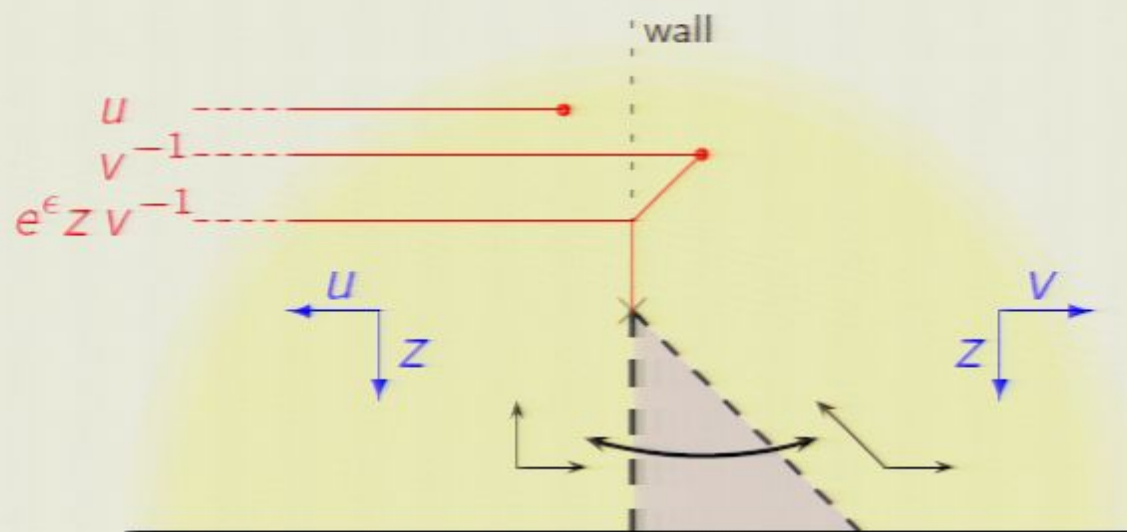
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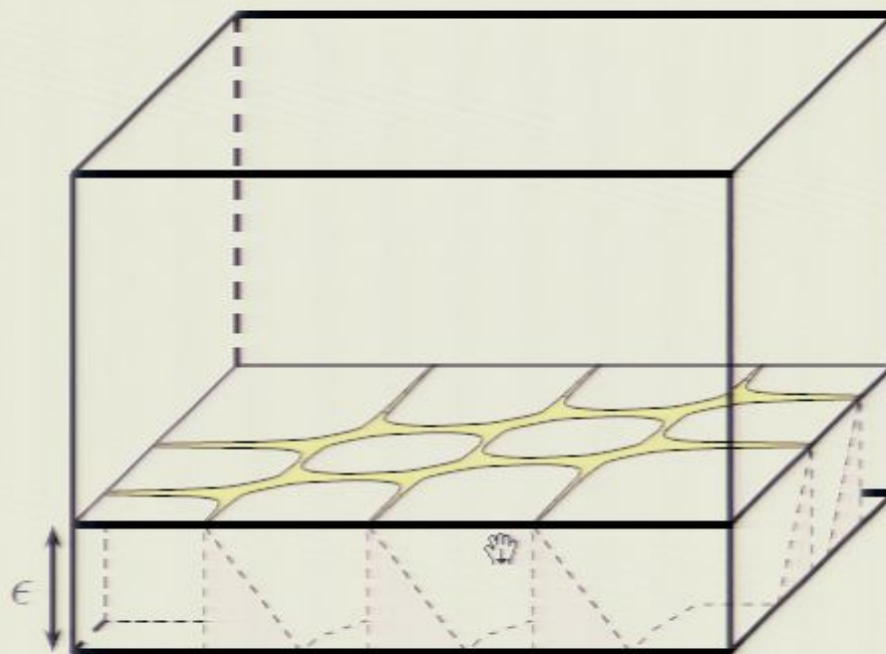
(\Rightarrow blowup of $\mathbb{P}^1 \times \mathbb{P}^1$: $W = z + e^{-A} z^{-1} + u + e^{-B} v$)

Blowing up a curve (A.-A.-K., in progress)

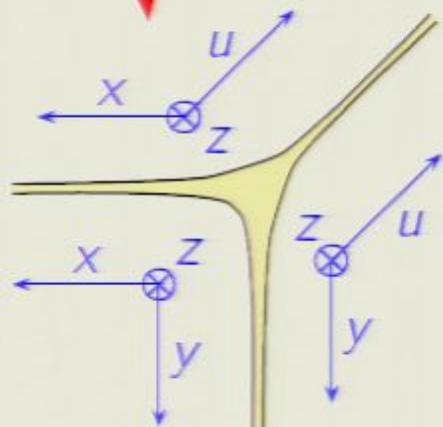
$X = (\mathbb{CP}^1)^3$, $D = \bigcup \text{toric strata}$, $\Sigma \subset \mathbb{P}^1 \times \mathbb{P}^1 \times \{0\} \subset D \subset X$.

\hat{X} = blowup along Σ , \hat{D} = proper transform, $\hat{\Omega} = \pi^* \Omega$, $\int_E \hat{\omega} = \epsilon$.

- S^1 -action (3rd factor) lifts; new fixed point stratum $\simeq \Sigma$ at $\mu = \epsilon$.
All reduced spaces $\simeq \mathbb{CP}^1 \times \mathbb{CP}^1$, carry (S.??) Lag. torus fibrations.
- This gives a Lagr. T^3 fibration on $\hat{X} \setminus \hat{D}$, with discriminant locus \simeq amoeba of Σ .



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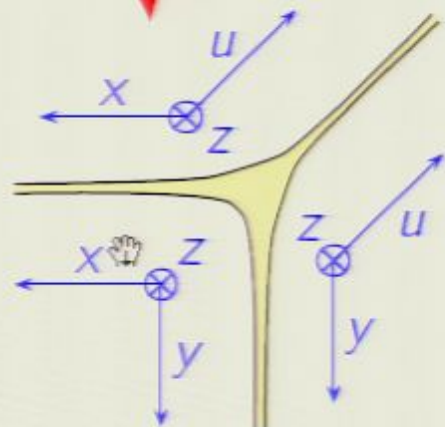
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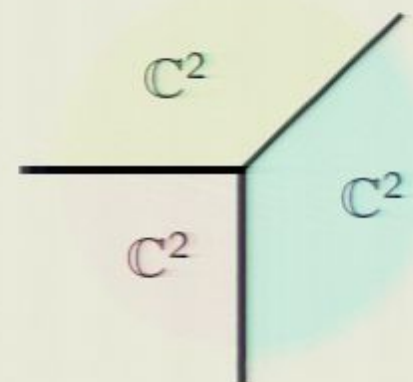


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$$\text{Mirror: } \{xyu = 1 + e^\epsilon z\}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \{z = -e^{-\epsilon}\} \\ = \{xyu = 0\} \end{aligned}$$

three \mathbb{C}^2 's glued
 along coord. axes



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Gluing pieces...

For open curve in $(\mathbb{C}^*)^2 \times \mathbb{C}$, superpotential $W = z$

\Rightarrow singular fiber = union of toric surfaces glued along \mathbb{P}^1 's and \mathbb{C} 's

(combinatorics governed by tropicalization of Σ)

$\nwarrow \nearrow$
crit. locus of W

