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Dual Polyhedra, Mirror Symmetry and Landau-Ginzburg Orbifolds

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ABSTRACT

New geometrical features of the Landau-Ginzburg orbifolds are presented, for models with a typical type of superpotential. We show the one-to-one correspondence between some of the (a, c) states with $U(1)$ charges $(-1, 1)$ and the integral points on the dual polyhedra, which are useful tools for the construction of mirror manifolds. Relying on toric geometry, these states are shown to correspond to the $(1, 1)$ forms coming from blowing-up processes. In terms of the above identification, it can be checked that the monomial-divisor mirror map for Landau-Ginzburg orbifolds, proposed by the author, is equivalent to that mirror map for Calabi-Yau manifolds obtained by the mathematicians.

Mirror symmetry was first discovered in the context of string compactification [1, 2, 3]. Due to the relative sign of the two $U(1)$ charges, one $(2,2)$ superconformal field theory allows two geometrical interpretations, i.e. topologically distinct Calabi-Yau manifolds \mathcal{M} and \mathcal{W} . Assuming that mirror symmetry is true, some Yukawa couplings can be determined exactly [4, 5, 6]. However, recent analysis of mirror symmetry is purely geometrical.

Batyrev [7] proposed a powerful method for constructing the mirror manifolds of a certain class of Calabi-Yau manifolds. He showed that a pair of (Δ, Δ^*) gives a Calabi-Yau manifold, where Δ is a (Newton) polyhedron corresponding to monomials and Δ^* is a dual (or polar) polyhedron describing the resolution of singularities, i.e. a point on a one- or two-dimensional face of Δ^* corresponds to a $(1,1)$ form coming from resolution. Batyrev observed that the exchange of the roles of (Δ, Δ^*) produces a mirror manifold.

Landau-Ginzburg models of $N = 2$ superconformal field theories are closely related to Calabi-Yau manifolds because of their (anti-)chiral ring structures. If we consider the theory with $c = 9$, the (p, q) forms on a Calabi-Yau manifold can be identified with $(3 - p, q)$ states of the (c, c) ring or $(-p, q)$ states of the (a, c) ring, where c (a) stands for (anti-)chiral and the states are labeled by the $U(1)$ charges. These (c, c) and (a, c) rings can be described in terms of the Landau-Ginzburg models.

In this paper, we will find a very simple relation between a $(-1, 1)$ state and a point on a face of Δ^* , when a typical type of Landau-Ginzburg models are considered. Hence we can identify a $(-1, 1)$ state and a $(1, 1)$ form coming from blowing-up processes in a simple and exact way. Furthermore, we will show that the monomial-divisor mirror map for Landau-Ginzburg orbifolds proposed in ref.[8] is equivalent to that mirror map of Calabi-Yau manifolds [9, 5]. These are useful extensions of the results in the previous paper [8]. Our method gives us the possibility to study the new geometric content of a class of $N = 2$ superconformal field theories.

In this paper, we will restrict our attention to the superpotential of a form $W(X_i) = X_1^{a_1} + X_2^{a_2} + X_3^{a_3} + X_4^{a_4} + X_5^{a_5}$, which corresponds to the Fermat type hypersurface in WCP^4 . The Landau-Ginzburg orbifolds are obtained by quotienting with an Abelian symmetry group G of $W(X_i)$, whose element g acts as an $N \times N$ diagonal matrix, $g : X_i \rightarrow e^{2\pi i \tilde{\theta}_i^g} X_i$, where $0 \leq \tilde{\theta}_i^g < 1$. Of course the $U(1)$ twist $j : X_i \rightarrow e^{2\pi i q_i} X_i$ generates the symmetry group of $W(X_i)$, where $q_i = \frac{w_i}{d}$, $W(\lambda^{w_i} X_i) = \lambda^d W(X_i)$ and $\lambda \in \mathbb{C}^*$. In this paper, we further require that $w_5 = 1$ since the toric description of the corresponding Calabi-Yau mirror manifolds are well-known [7, 5].

Using the results of Intriligator and Vafa [10], we can construct the (c, c) and (a, c)

rings. Also we could have the left and right $U(1)$ charges of the ground state $|h\rangle_{(a,c)}$ in the h -twisted sector of the (a,c) ring. In terms of spectral flow, $|h\rangle_{(a,c)}$ is mapped to the (c,c) state $|h'\rangle_{(c,c)}$ with $h' = hj^{-1}$. Then the charges of the (a,c) ground state of h -twisted sector $|h\rangle_{(a,c)}$ are obtained to be

$$\begin{pmatrix} J_0 \\ \bar{J}_0 \end{pmatrix} |h\rangle_{(a,c)} = \begin{pmatrix} -\sum_{\tilde{\theta}_i^{h'} > 0} (1 - q_i - \tilde{\theta}_i^{h'}) + \sum_{\tilde{\theta}_i^{h'} = 0} (2q_i - 1) \\ \sum_{\tilde{\theta}_i^{h'} > 0} (1 - q_i - \tilde{\theta}_i^{h'}) \end{pmatrix} |h\rangle_{(a,c)}. \quad (1)$$

Using this result, we see that the $(-1,1)$ states written in the form $|j^l\rangle_{(a,c)}$ can always arise from the twisted sector with $I' = 0$, where I' is the number of the invariant fields X_i under the h' action. Using the results of ref.[11], it was shown [8] that as long as we consider the Landau-Ginzburg models with no or one trivial field, the $(-1,1)$ states which can be represented by $|j^l\rangle_{(a,c)}$ may exist only in the twisted sector with $I' = 0$.

Let us turn our attention to geometry. Calabi-Yau manifolds are represented by hypersurfaces in WCP . In general, due to the WCP identification $z_i \sim \lambda^{w_i} z_i$, $\lambda \in \mathbb{C}^*$, we have some fixed sets on a hypersurface. When we consider Calabi-Yau 3-folds, possible fixed sets are fixed points and fixed curves. To obtain a smooth Calabi-Yau manifold we have to blow up these singularities.

Those Calabi-Yau resolutions can be described in terms of toric geometry [7, 5]. Toric geometry describes the structure of a certain class of geometrical spaces in terms of simple combinatorial data. To investigate the mirror symmetry, Batyrev's construction is useful. We will briefly summarize this method. Details are presented in [7, 5].

A (Newton) polyhedron $\Delta(w)$ is associated to monomials, where w means the set of weights w_i . A dual polyhedron $\Delta^*(w)$ allows us to describe the resolution of singularities. Integral points on faces of dimension one or two of $\Delta^*(w)$ correspond to exceptional divisors. More precisely, points lying on a one-dimensional edge correspond to exceptional divisors over singular curves, whereas the points lying in the interior of two-dimensional faces correspond to the exceptional divisors over singular points. So, integral points on faces of $\Delta^*(w)$ correspond to the $(1,1)$ forms coming from blowing-up processes.

Since we consider the Fermat type quasihomogeneous polynomial, the corresponding Calabi-Yau hypersurface consists of monomials z_i^{d/w_i} ($i = 1, \dots, 5$). The associated 4-dimensional integral convex polyhedron $\Delta(w)$ is the convex hull of the integral vectors m of the exponents of all quasi-homogeneous monomials of degree d shifted by $(-1, \dots, -1)$,

i.e. $\prod_{i=1}^5 z_i^{m_i+1}$:

$$\Delta(w) := \{(m_1, \dots, m_5) \in \mathbb{R}^5 \mid \sum_{i=1}^5 w_i m_i = 0, m_i \geq -1\}. \quad (2)$$

This implies that only the origin is the point in the interior of Δ . Its dual polyhedron is defined by

$$\Delta^* = \{(x_1, \dots, x_4) \mid \sum_{i=1}^4 x_i y_i \geq -1 \text{ for all } (y_1, \dots, y_4) \in \Delta\}. \quad (3)$$

In our case it is known that (Δ, Δ^*) is a reflexive pair. An l -dimensional face $\Theta \subset \Delta$ can be represented by specifying its vertices v_{i_1}, \dots, v_{i_k} . Then the dual face Θ^* is a $(4 - l - 1)$ -dimensional face of Δ^* and defined by

$$\Theta^* = \{x \in \Delta^* \mid (x, v_{i_1}) = \dots = (x, v_{i_k}) = -1\}, \quad (4)$$

where $(*, *)$ is the ordinary inner product.

For our type of models, we then always obtain as vertices of $\Delta(w)$

$$\begin{aligned} \nu_1 &= (d/w_1 - 1, -1, -1, -1), \quad \nu_2 = (-1, d/w_2 - 1, -1, -1), \quad \nu_3 = (-1, -1, d/w_3 - 1, -1), \\ \nu_4 &= (-1, -1, -1, d/w_4 - 1), \quad \nu_5 = (-1, -1, -1, -1), \end{aligned} \quad (5)$$

and for the vertices of the dual polyhedron $\Delta^*(w)$ one finds

$$\begin{aligned} \nu_1^* &= (1, 0, 0, 0), \quad \nu_2^* = (0, 1, 0, 0), \quad \nu_3^* = (0, 0, 1, 0), \quad \nu_4^* = (0, 0, 0, 1), \\ \nu_5^* &= (-w_1, -w_2, -w_3, -w_4). \end{aligned} \quad (6)$$

For the Fermat type hypersurfaces of degree d , the explicit form of the monomial-divisor mirror map has been already studied. Through this map, integral points μ in $\Delta^*(w)$ are mapped to monomials of the homogeneous coordinates of WCP^4 by

$$\mu = (\mu_1, \mu_2, \mu_3, \mu_4) \mapsto \frac{\prod_{i=1}^4 z_i^{\mu_i d/w_i}}{\left(\prod_{i=1}^5 z_i\right)^{\left(\sum_{i=1}^4 \mu_i\right)-1}}. \quad (7)$$

In the following we will associate an integral point inside $\Delta^*(w)$, i.e. an exceptional divisor, with a $(-1, 1)$ state which can be written in the form $|j^{-l}\rangle_{(a,c)}$.

To explain our method, we define the phase symmetries ρ_i which act on X_i as

$$\rho_i X_i = e^{2\pi i q_i} X_i, \quad (8)$$

with trivial action for other fields. The operator ρ_i can be represented by a diagonal matrix whose diagonal matrix elements are 1 except for $(\rho_i)_{i,i} = e^{2\pi i q_i}$. It is obvious that

$$j = \rho_1 \cdots \rho_5. \quad (9)$$

In ref.[8] the mirror map for the (a, c) ground states in the j^{-l} -twisted sector $|j^{-l}\rangle_{(a,c)}$ are considered. In the j^{-l} -twisted sector, if a field X_i is invariant then

$$\rho_i^{-l} = \rho_i^{-l_i} = \text{identity}, \quad (10)$$

where $-l_i \equiv -l \pmod{a_i}$ and one gets

$$j^{-l} = \prod_{-l_{q_i} \notin \mathbb{Z}} \rho_i^{-l_i}. \quad (11)$$

So, we may represent $|j^{-l}\rangle_{(a,c)} = |\prod_{-l_{q_i} \notin \mathbb{Z}} \rho_i^{-l_i}\rangle_{(a,c)}$. Furthermore, we can calculate the $U(1)$ charges of this state using eq.(1) and the result is

$$\left(-\sum_{-l_{q_i} \notin \mathbb{Z}} l_i q_i, \sum_{-l_{q_i} \notin \mathbb{Z}} l_i q_i\right). \quad (12)$$

The eq.(11) is the key equation for our purpose. This implies

$$-l_{q_i} = u_i - l_i q_i \quad \text{for } i = 1 \sim 5, \quad (13)$$

where $-l_i$ are defined to be $-a_i + 1 \leq -l_i \leq 0$. Thus u_i are uniquely determined. Clearly, u_i are integers and $u_i = 0$ if X_i is invariant under j^{-l} action (see eq.(11)). u_5 always vanish since $w_5 = 1$.

Let $u \equiv (u_1, u_2, u_3, u_4)$ be an integral vector. In the following we will show that u is on a face of $\Delta^*(w)$. So we should assert that u is just an integral point inside $\Delta^*(w)$, which can be identified with the exceptional divisors. Through this identification, we obtain the one-to-one correspondence between the $(-1, 1)$ state $|j^{-l}\rangle_{(a,c)}$ and the exceptional divisor. Moreover, once this identification is made, we can see that the monomial-divisor mirror map for Calabi-Yau manifolds, i.e. eq.(7), is equivalent to that mirror map for Landau-Ginzburg orbifolds conjectured in ref.[8].

First, we show that u is a point on a dual face Θ^* of $\Delta^*(w)$. A dual face Θ^* is specified by some of the vertices $\{\nu_1, \nu_2, \nu_3, \nu_4, \nu_5\} \subset \Theta$ through the eq.(4). So, we have to show that there are some vectors ν_j satisfying

$$(u, \nu_j) = -1 \quad \text{for some } j. \quad (14)$$

To prove this, we consider the invariant field X_j under j^{-l} action. This implies $-lq_j = u_j$. It can be shown that the corresponding vector ν_j satisfies eq.(14). Denote by $(\nu_j)_i$ the i -th component of the vector ν_j . Multiplying u_i by $(\nu_j)_i$ and using eq.(13), one finds

$$(u, \nu_j) = -\sum_{i=1}^5 l_i q_i, \quad (15)$$

where we have used $\sum_{i=1}^5 q_i = 1$, $u_5 = 0$ and $-lq_j = u_j$.

It should be noticed that the right hand side of eq.(15) is nothing but the left $U(1)$ charge of the state $|j^{-l}\rangle_{(a,c)}$. Since we consider the $(-1, 1)$ state, it has been proved that eq.(14) holds for the vector ν_j with $-lq_j = u_j$. Note that Θ^* is specified by the vectors $\nu_j \subset \Theta$ through eq.(4), whose corresponding fields X_j with the same index are invariant under j^{-l} action.

Now we turn our attention to the monomial-divisor mirror map. As mentioned above, the monomial-divisor mirror map for Calabi-Yau manifolds is summarized in eq.(7). In ref.[8], it was conjectured that the monomial-divisor mirror map for Landau-Ginzburg orbifolds is obtained to be

$$\left| \prod_{-lq_i \notin \mathbb{Z}} \rho_i^{-l_i} \right\rangle_{(a,c)} \xleftrightarrow{\text{mirror pair}} \prod_{-lq_i \notin \mathbb{Z}} \overline{X}_i^{-l_i} |0\rangle, \quad (16)$$

where \overline{X}_i are the fields of the so-called transposed potential \overline{W} [12]. Evidently, $X_i = \overline{X}_i$ for our Fermat type potentials.

By identifying the vector μ in eq.(7) with our vector u , we easily obtain

$$\begin{aligned} u = (u_1, u_2, u_3, u_4) &\mapsto \frac{\prod_{i=1}^4 z_i^{u_i d/w_i}}{\left(\prod_{i=1}^5 z_i\right)^{\left(\sum_{i=1}^4 u_i\right)-1}} \\ &= \prod_{-lq_i \notin \mathbb{Z}} z_i^{l_i}. \end{aligned} \quad (17)$$

Since the vector u corresponds to the $(-1, 1)$ state $|j^{-l}\rangle_{(a,c)}$ and z_i to \overline{X}_i , one finds that the two monomial-divisor mirror map, i.e. eq.(7) and (16), are equivalent.

Note that through the eqs.(13) and (17), the origin $\nu_0^* = (0, 0, 0, 0)$ in $\Delta^*(w)$ corresponds to the $(-1, 1)$ state $|j^{-1}\rangle_{(a,c)}$ and its mirror partner corresponds to the monomial $z_1 z_2 z_3 z_4 z_5$. They always exist for our type of models.

Let us demonstrate our method by taking some examples. Since we have shown $u \in \Theta^*$, we change our notation of u into ν_6^* (ν_7^* , \dots if several u exist).

First we consider the Landau-Ginzburg model with the superpotential

$$W_1 = X_1^4 + X_2^4 + X_3^4 + X_4^8 + X_5^8, \quad (18)$$

with $U(1)$ charges of X_i being

$$\left(\frac{1}{4}, \frac{1}{4}, \frac{1}{4}, \frac{1}{8}, \frac{1}{8} \right), \quad (19)$$

which were studied in ref.[5, 8]. The orbifold model W_1/j has a corresponding \mathbf{Z}_2 fixed curve which can be written

$$z_1^4 + z_2^4 + z_3^4 = 0 \quad \text{in } WCP_{(1,1,2,2,2)}^4. \quad (20)$$

In this model, we have one twisted ground state $|j^{-4}\rangle_{(a,c)}$ which corresponds to the resulting one $(1,1)$ form after blowing-up. Since $j^{-4} = \rho_4^{-4} \rho_5^{-4}$, we can calculate $\nu_6^* = (-1, -1, -1, 0)$. Also it can be seen that ν_6^* is on the dual face Θ^* specified by the vectors ν_1, ν_2, ν_3 (in the following we denote by $\Theta^*(1,2,3)$ this face). From eq.(16), ν_6^* is mapped to the monomial $\overline{X_4^4 X_5^4}$. These are the same results as the ones obtained in [5].

As a more complicated example, we take the following Landau-Ginzburg superpotential

$$W_2 = X_1^3 + X_2^3 + X_3^6 + X_4^9 + X_5^{18}, \quad (21)$$

with $U(1)$ charges

$$\left(\frac{1}{3}, \frac{1}{3}, \frac{1}{6}, \frac{1}{9}, \frac{1}{18} \right). \quad (22)$$

This model is considered in [6, 8]. The orbifold model W_2/j has one corresponding \mathbf{Z}_2 fixed curve, one corresponding \mathbf{Z}_3 fixed curve and corresponding \mathbf{Z}_6 fixed points on the intersections of these curves. They can be written as

$$\mathbf{Z}_2 \text{ fixed curve } z_1^3 + z_2^3 + z_4^9 = 0 \quad (23)$$

$$\mathbf{Z}_3 \text{ fixed curve } z_1^3 + z_2^3 + z_3^6 = 0 \quad (24)$$

$$\mathbf{Z}_6 \text{ fixed points } z_1^3 + z_2^3 = 0 \quad \text{in } WCP_{(6,6,3,2,1)}^4. \quad (25)$$

After blowing-up, one obtains four $(1,1)$ forms whose mirror partners can be associated to monomial deformation. It is easy to find the corresponding $(-1,1)$ states written in the form $|j^{-l}\rangle_{(a,c)}$, the vectors ν_j^* , dual faces Θ^* on which ν_j^* are lying, and mirror partners. The results are displayed in Table 1, where we have omitted the bar over X_i .

This result agrees with the one obtained in [6]. Note that we do not need any geometrical informations such as the number of fixed sets or the relations among them.

(a,c) state	ν_j^* vector	dual face	mirror partner
$ j^{-3}\rangle_{(a,c)}$	$\nu_6^* = (-1, -1, 0, 0)$	$\Theta^*(1, 2)$	$X_3^3 X_4^3 X_5^3 0\rangle$
$ j^{-6}\rangle_{(a,c)}$	$\nu_7^* = (-2, -2, -1, 0)$	$\Theta^*(1, 2, 3)$	$X_4^6 X_5^6 0\rangle$
$ j^{-9}\rangle_{(a,c)}$	$\nu_8^* = (-3, -3, -1, -1)$	$\Theta^*(1, 2, 4)$	$X_3^3 X_5^9 0\rangle$
$ j^{-12}\rangle_{(a,c)}$	$\nu_9^* = (-4, -4, -2, -1)$	$\Theta^*(1, 2, 3)$	$X_4^3 X_5^{12} 0\rangle$

Table 1: The monomial-divisor mirror map for Landau-Ginzburg orbifolds of W_2

In this model, there are two $(-1, 1)$ states represented by $X_1|j^{-2}\rangle_{(a,c)}$ and $X_2|j^{-2}\rangle_{(a,c)}$. The mirror partners for the corresponding $(1, 1)$ forms cannot be described by monomials. Unfortunately, we have not succeeded in associating these states with toric data yet.

In conclusion, we have discovered a simple and direct connection between the Landau-Ginzburg and the toric descriptions of our class of Calabi-Yau manifolds. In other words, we find that a Landau-Ginzburg orbifold and a corresponding Calabi-Yau manifold have just the same toric data, as far as models with a typical type of superpotentials are concerned. Our method enables us to calculate toric data easily without referring to the geometrical nature of $\Delta^*(w)$. We can uniquely identify a $(-1, 1)$ state $|j^{-l}\rangle_{(a,c)}$ with a $(1, 1)$ form resulting from resolution. This would be a useful technique for analyzing the Yukawa couplings, especially when Calabi-Yau manifolds with several $(1, 1)$ forms are considered.

The Fermat type superpotential considered in this paper corresponds to the Gepner model of A-type [13]. However, there are non-Fermat-type potentials with only the singularities which can be treated through toric geometry. For example, there is the hypersurface embedded in $WCP_{(1,2,2,2,3)}^4$, which gets two toric divisors after blowing up [14]. For this model, our method for the calculation of the vector u could not be applied as it is. Some extensions are needed. We will report it elsewhere [15].

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