

## POLYNOMIALITY OF THE EQUIVARIANT GROMOV-WITTEN THEORY OF $\mathbb{P}^{r-1}$

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ABSTRACT. We study the equivariant Gromov-Witten theory of  $\mathbb{P}^{r-1}$  for all  $r \geq 2$ . We prove a polynomiality property in  $r$  of the Gromov-Witten classes of  $\mathbb{P}^{r-1}$ . Using this polynomiality property, we define a set of polynomial valued classes in  $H^*(\overline{M}_{g,n})$  which generalize the limit of Witten's  $s$ -spin classes studied by Pandharipande, Pixton and Zvonkine.

### 1. Introduction

#### 1.1. Overview

Since the study of relations in the cohomology of the moduli space of curves by Mumford in the 1980s ([11]), there has been substantial progress in the study of the structure of the tautological rings

$$RH^*(\overline{M}_{g,n}) \subset H^*(\overline{M}_{g,n}).$$

We refer the reader to [1] for an introduction to the tautological rings.

Recently, certain polynomiality properties were proved in [7, 13] for sets of classes in  $RH^*(\overline{M}_{g,n})$ . Our main result is the proof of a polynomiality property in  $r$  for a set of equivariant Gromov-Witten classes of  $\mathbb{P}^{r-1}$ . Using the polynomiality, we define a new set of classes

$$\Omega_{g,A}^{\mathbb{P}^\infty,d} \in H^{2d}(\overline{M}_{g,n}) \otimes \mathbb{Q}[u, r]$$

for  $g, d \geq 0$  and  $A = (a_1, \dots, a_n) \in \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0}^n$  satisfying

$$g - 1 + d - \sum_i a_i = 0.$$

For  $d = g - 1$ , the new class, after restriction to  $u = 0$ , recovers the Witten's  $s$ -spin class ([13]) with  $r = s - 1$ . Finding a geometric interpretation of the new class  $\Omega_{g,A}^{\mathbb{P}^\infty,d}$  is an interesting question.

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**1.2. Equivariant Gromov-Witten theory of  $\mathbb{P}^{r-1}$**

For  $r \in \mathbb{N}$ , the cohomological field theory (CohFT) associated to  $\mathbb{P}^{r-1}$  can be constructed as follows. Let the algebraic torus

$$\mathbb{T}_r = (\mathbb{C}^*)^r$$

act with the standard linearization on  $\mathbb{P}^{r-1}$  with weights  $\lambda_0, \dots, \lambda_{r-1}$  on the vector space  $H^0(\mathbb{P}^{r-1}, \mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}^{r-1}}(1))$ .

Let  $\overline{M}_{g,n}(\mathbb{P}^{r-1}, d)$  be the moduli space of stable maps to  $\mathbb{P}^{r-1}$  equipped with the canonical  $\mathbb{T}_r$ -action, and let

$$\pi : \overline{M}_{g,n}(\mathbb{P}^{r-1}, d) \rightarrow \overline{M}_{g,n}$$

be the natural morphism forgetting the map. Let  $A = (a_1, \dots, a_n) \in \{0, \dots, r-1\}^n$ . The Gromov-Witten classes of the  $\mathbb{P}^{r-1}$  are defined via the equivariant push-forward

$$(1) \quad \Omega_{g,n}^{\mathbb{P}^{r-1}}(a_1, \dots, a_n) = \sum_{d \geq 0} q^d \pi_* \left( \prod_{i=1}^n \text{ev}_i^*(H^{a_i}) \cap [\overline{M}_{g,n}(\mathbb{P}^{r-1}, d)]^{\text{vir}} \right).$$

The sum (1) defines a polynomial valued class

$$\Omega_{g,A}^{\mathbb{P}^{r-1}}(q) := \Omega_{g,n}^{\mathbb{P}^{r-1}}(a_1, \dots, a_n) \in H^*(\overline{M}_{g,n}) \otimes \mathbb{C}[q]$$

after the specialization

$$\lambda_i = \zeta_r^i$$

for a primitive  $r$ th root of unity  $\zeta_r$ .

Let  $V := H^*(\mathbb{P}^{r-1}, \mathbb{C})$  be the cohomology ring of  $\mathbb{P}^{r-1}$  with basis  $H^0, H^1, \dots, H^{r-1}$  and bilinear form

$$\eta_{ab} = \eta(H^a, H^b) = \delta_{a+b, r-1},$$

and unit vector  $\mathbf{1} = H^0$ . The Gromov-Witten classes (1) define a CohFT by

$$\Omega_{g,n}^{\mathbb{P}^{r-1}} : V^{\otimes n} \rightarrow H^*(\overline{M}_{g,n}) \otimes \mathbb{C}[q], \quad \Omega_{g,n}^{\mathbb{P}^{r-1}}(H^{a_1} \otimes \dots \otimes H^{a_n}) = \Omega_{g,n}^{\mathbb{P}^{r-1}}(a_1, \dots, a_n).$$

The genus 0 sector defines a quantum product  $\bullet$  on  $V$  with unit  $\mathbf{1}$ ,

$$\eta(H^a \bullet H^b, H^c) = \Omega_{0,3}^{\mathbb{P}^{r-1}}(a, b, c).$$

The resulting algebra is semisimple if and only if  $q \neq -1$ .

**1.3. Tautological class via  $\mathbb{P}^\infty$**

Here we state a polynomiality property in  $r$  of the class  $\Omega_{g,A}^{\mathbb{P}^{r-1}}$ . Denote by

$$\Omega_{g,A}^{\mathbb{P}^{r-1}, d} \in H^{2d}(\overline{M}_{g,n}) \otimes \mathbb{C}[q]$$

the degree  $2d$  part of the class  $\Omega_{g,A}^{\mathbb{P}^{r-1}} \in H^*(\overline{M}_{g,n}) \otimes \mathbb{C}[q]$ .

**Theorem 1.** For  $\sum_{i=1}^n a_i = g - 1 - d$  with  $a_i \geq 0$ , we have

- (i)  $\Omega_{g,A}^{\mathbb{P}^{r-1}, d} \in H^{2d}(\overline{M}_{g,n}) \otimes \mathbb{C}[q]$  is a polynomial in  $q$  of degree  $g - 1$ .

(ii) *The coefficient of  $q^k$  for  $0 \leq k \leq g - 1$  in*

$$\Omega_{g,A}^{\mathbb{P}^{r-1},d} \in H^{2d}(\overline{M}_{g,n}) \otimes \mathbb{C}[q]$$

*is a polynomial in  $r$  for all sufficiently large  $r$ .*

For  $A = (a_1, \dots, a_n) \in \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0}^n$  satisfying  $\sum_{i=1}^n a_i = g - 1 - d$ , we denote by

$$\Omega_{g,A}^{\mathbb{P}^\infty,d}(q, r) \in H^{2d}(\overline{M}_{g,n}) \otimes \mathbb{C}[q, r]$$

the polynomial valued class associated to  $\Omega_{g,A}^{\mathbb{P}^{r-1},d}$  by Theorem 1. Via the change of the variable

$$u = q + 1,$$

we define the *kth polynomial class*

$$\Omega_{g,A,k}^{\mathbb{P}^\infty,d} \in H^{2d}(\overline{M}_{g,n}) \otimes \mathbb{C}[r]$$

for  $0 \leq k \leq g - 1$  to be the coefficient of  $u^k$  in

$$\Omega_{g,A}^{\mathbb{P}^\infty,d}(u, r) \in H^{2d}(\overline{M}_{g,n}) \otimes \mathbb{C}[u, r].$$

In [12], the authors proved a polynomiality property in  $s$  for Witten's  $s$ -spin class  $W_{g,n}^s(a_1, \dots, a_n)$ .

**Theorem 2** (Pandharipande, Pixton and Zvonkine [12]). *For  $\sum_{i=1}^n a_i = 2g - 2$ ,*

$$s^{g-1} W_{g,n}^s(a_1, \dots, a_n) \in H^{2(g-1)}(\overline{M}_{g,n})$$

*is a polynomial in  $s$  for all sufficiently large  $s$ .*

For  $(d, k) = (g - 1, 0)$ , the class  $(-1)^{g-1} \cdot \Omega_{g,A,0}^{\mathbb{P}^\infty,g-1}$  equals<sup>1</sup> the polynomial in Theorem 2 with  $r = s - 1$ . In [12], the following was conjectured.

**Conjecture 3.** *For  $\sum_{i=0}^n a_i = 2g - 2$ , we have*

$$\Omega_{g,A,0}^{\mathbb{P}^\infty,g-1}(-1) = [\mathcal{H}_g(a_1, \dots, a_n)] \in H^{2(g-1)}(\overline{M}_{g,n}).$$

Here,  $\mathcal{H}_g(a_1, \dots, a_n)$  is the class of the closure of the locus of holomorphic differentials with multiplicities of the zeroes given by  $(a_1, \dots, a_n)$ . We refer the reader to [12, Appendix] for an introduction to the moduli space of holomorphic differentials. Finding a geometric interpretation of  $\Omega_{g,A,k}^{\mathbb{P}^\infty,d}$  for  $(d, k) \neq (g - 1, 0)$  is an interesting question.

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<sup>1</sup>The  $(-1)^{g-1}$  factor is due to the fact that the R-matrix for Witten's  $s$ -spin class differs from the R-matrix for  $\mathbb{P}^{s-2}$  by a factor  $(-s)$ .

**1.4. Stable graphs and strata**

**1.4.1. Summation over stable graphs.** The strata of  $\overline{M}_{g,n}$  are the substacks parameterizing pointed curves of a fixed *topological type*. The moduli space  $\overline{M}_{g,n}$  is a disjoint union of finitely many strata.

The main result of the paper is the proof of an explicit formula for  $\Omega_{g,A}^{\mathbb{P}^\infty}(u, r)$  in the cohomology ring  $H^*(\overline{M}_{g,n}) \otimes \mathbb{C}[u, r]$ . The formula is written in terms of a summation over stable graphs  $\Gamma$  indexing the strata of  $\overline{M}_{g,n}$ . We review here the standard indexing of the strata of  $\overline{M}_{g,n}$  by stable graphs.

**1.4.2. Stable graphs.** The strata of the moduli space of curves correspond to stable graphs

$$\Gamma = (V, H, L, g : V \rightarrow \mathbb{N}, v : H \rightarrow V, \iota : H \rightarrow H)$$

satisfying the following properties:

- (i)  $V$  is a vertex set with a genus function  $g : V \rightarrow \mathbb{N}$ ,
- (ii)  $H$  is a half-edge set equipped with a vertex assignment  $v : H \rightarrow V$  and an involution  $\iota$ ,
- (iii) The edge set  $E$  of  $\Gamma$  is defined by the 2-cycle of  $\iota$  in  $H$  (self-edges at vertices are allowed),
- (iv)  $L$ , the set of legs, is defined by the fixed points of  $\iota$  and is placed in bijective correspondence with a set of markings,
- (v) the pair  $(V, E)$  defines a *connected* graph,
- (vi) for each vertex  $v$ , the stability condition holds:

$$2g(v) - 2 + n(v) > 0,$$

where  $n(v)$  is the valence of  $\Gamma$  at  $v$  including both half-edges and legs.

An automorphism of  $\Gamma$  consists of automorphisms of the sets  $V$  and  $H$  which leave the structures  $L, g, v$  and  $\iota$  invariant. Denote by  $\text{Aut}(\Gamma)$  the automorphism group of  $\Gamma$ .

The genus of a stable graph  $\Gamma$  is defined by:

$$g(\Gamma) = \sum_{v \in V} g(v) + h^1(\Gamma).$$

A stratum of  $\overline{M}_{g,n}$  corresponding to Deligne-Mumford stable curves of fixed topological type naturally determines a stable graph of genus  $g$  with  $n$  legs by considering the dual graph of a generic pointed curve parameterized by the stratum.

Let  $\mathbf{G}_{g,n}$  be the set of isomorphism classes of stable graphs of genus  $g$  with  $n$  legs. The set  $\mathbf{G}_{g,n}$  is finite.

**1.4.3. Strata algebra.** To each stable graph  $\Gamma \in \mathbf{G}_{g,n}$ , we associate the moduli space

$$\overline{M}_\Gamma = \prod_{v \in V} \overline{M}_{g(v),n(v)}.$$

Let

$$(2) \quad \xi_\Gamma : \overline{M}_\Gamma \rightarrow \overline{M}_{g,n}$$

be the canonical morphism whose image is equal to the closure of the stratum associated to the stable graph  $\Gamma$ . We require a family of stable pointed curves over  $\overline{M}_\Gamma$  to construct  $\xi_\Gamma$ . Such a family is easily constructed by attaching the pull-backs of the universal families over the  $\overline{M}_{g(v),n(v)}$  along the sections corresponding to the two halves of each edge in  $E(\Gamma)$ .

Each half-edge  $h \in H(\Gamma)$  determines a cotangent line

$$\mathcal{L}_h \rightarrow \overline{M}_\Gamma.$$

For  $h \in L(\Gamma)$ ,  $\mathcal{L}_h$  is the pull-back via  $\xi_\Gamma$  of the corresponding cotangent line of  $\overline{M}_{g,n}$ . If  $h$  is a side of an edge  $e \in E(\Gamma)$ , then  $\mathcal{L}_h$  is the cotangent line of the corresponding side of a node. We write

$$\psi_h = c_1(\mathcal{L}_h) \in H^2(\overline{M}_\Gamma, \mathbb{Q}).$$

Let  $\Gamma$  be a stable graph. A *basic class* on  $\overline{M}_\Gamma$  is defined to be a product of monomials in  $\kappa$  classes at each vertex of the graph and powers of  $\psi$  classes at each half-edge (including the legs),

$$\gamma = \prod_{v \in V} \prod_{i \geq 0} \kappa_i[v]^{x_i[v]} \prod_{h \in H} \psi_h^{y[h]} \in H^*(\overline{M}_\Gamma, \mathbb{Q}),$$

where  $\kappa_i[v]$  is the  $i^{\text{th}}$  kappa class on  $\overline{M}_{g(v),n(v)}$ . To avoid the trivial vanishing of  $\gamma$ , we impose the condition

$$\sum_{i \geq 0} ix_i[v] + \sum_{h \in H[v]} y[h] \leq \dim_{\mathbb{C}} \overline{M}_{g(v),n(v)} = 3g(v) - 3 + n(v)$$

at each vertex of  $\Gamma$ . Here,  $H[v] \subset H$  is the set of half-edges (including the legs) incident at  $v$ .

Consider the  $\mathbb{Q}$ -vector space  $\mathcal{S}_{g,n}$  whose basis consists of the isomorphism classes of pairs  $[\Gamma, \gamma]$  for stable graphs  $\Gamma$  of genus  $g$  with  $n$  legs and a basic class  $\gamma$  on  $\overline{M}_\Gamma$ .  $\mathcal{S}_{g,n}$  is finite dimensional, since there are only finitely many pairs  $\Gamma, \gamma$  up to isomorphism.

Via the product on  $\mathcal{S}_{g,n}$  defined by intersection theory with respect to the morphism (2),  $\mathcal{S}_{g,n}$  is a finite dimensional  $\mathbb{Q}$ -algebra, called the *strata algebra* [12]. Push-forward along  $\xi_\Gamma$  defines a canonical ring homomorphism

$$q : \mathcal{S}_{g,n} \rightarrow H^*(\overline{M}_{g,n}, \mathbb{Q}), \quad q([\Gamma, \gamma]) = \xi_{\Gamma*}(\gamma)$$

from the strata algebra to the cohomology ring of the moduli space of curves.

### 1.5. Generalization of Pixton's formula

The series

$$(3) \quad B_{ra}(u, z) = \sum_{k \geq 0} B_{rak}(u) z^k$$

will be defined in Section 3.2.

Let  $f(T)$  be a power series with vanishing constant and linear terms,

$$f(T) \in T^2\mathbb{Q}[[T]].$$

We define

$$(4) \quad \kappa(f) = \sum_{m \geq 0} \frac{1}{m!} p_{m*} \left( f(\psi_{n+1} \cdots \psi_{n+m}) \right) \in H^*(\overline{M}_{g,n}, \mathbb{Q}),$$

where  $p_m$  is the canonical map which forgets the last  $m$  markings.

$$p_m : \overline{M}_{g,n+m} \rightarrow \overline{M}_{g,n}.$$

Due to the vanishing in degree 0 and 1 of  $f$ , the sum (4) is finite.

**Definition 4.** For  $k \in \mathbb{Z}$ , define the class  $\Omega_{g,A,k}^{r-1}(u)$  by the term of degree  $k$  (in variable  $u$ ) of the mixed degree cohomology class

$$\mathfrak{q} \left( \sum_{\Gamma \in \mathcal{G}_{g,n}} \frac{1}{|\text{Aut}(\Gamma)|} [\Gamma, [\prod_{v \in V} \kappa_v \prod_{l \in L} \eta_l \prod_{e \in E} \Delta_e]_x] \right) \in H^*(\overline{M}_{g,n}, \mathbb{Q}) \otimes \mathbb{C}[u^{\frac{1}{r}}, u^{-\frac{1}{r}}],$$

where

- For  $v \in V$ , let  $\kappa_v = \left( r u^{\frac{r-1}{r}} \right)^{g_v-1} \kappa(T - TB_{r0}(u, -x_v T))$ .
- For  $l \in L$ , let  $\eta_l = x_{v_l}^{-a_l} B_{r a_l}(u, -x_{v_l} \psi_l)$ , where  $v_l \in V$  is the vertex to which the leg  $l$  is assigned.
- For  $e \in E$ , let

$$\Delta_e = \frac{\sum_{i=0}^{r-1} (x')^{-i} (x'')^{-r+1+i} - \sum_{i=0}^{r-1} (x')^{-i} B_{ri}(u, -x' \psi')(x'')^{-r+1+i} B_{r-r-1-i}(u, -x'' \psi'')}{\psi' + \psi''},$$

where  $x', x''$  are the  $x$ -variables assigned to the vertices adjacent to the edge  $e$  and  $\psi', \psi''$  are the  $\psi$ -classes corresponding to the half-edges.

For a polynomial  $\prod$  in variables  $x_v$ , the notation  $[\prod]_x$  means the term of degree 0 in all variables  $x_v$ . The numerator of  $\Delta_e$  is divisible by the denominator due to the identity

$$\sum_{i=0}^{r-1} B_{ri}(u, T) B_{r-r-1-i}(u, -T) = r.$$

We write

$$\Omega_{g,A}^{\mathbb{P}^{r-1}}(u) := \sum_{k \in \mathbb{Z}} u^k \Omega_{g,A,k}^{\mathbb{P}^{r-1}}.$$

The following fundamental polynomiality property of  $\Omega_{g,A}^{r-1}$  can be proven by the argument of [7, Section 4.6].

**Proposition 5.** For fixed  $g$  and  $A$ , the class

$$\Omega_{g,A}^{r-1}(u) \in H^*(\overline{M}_{g,n}) \otimes \mathbb{C}[u, u^{-1}]$$

is a polynomial in  $r$  for all sufficiently large  $r$ .

Via the torus localization technique, we obtain the following result.

**Theorem 6.** For  $g \geq 0$  and  $A \in \{0, \dots, r-1\}^n$ , we have

$$\Omega_{g,A}^{\mathbb{P}^{r-1}} = \Omega_{g,A}^{r-1} \in H^*(\overline{M}_{g,n}) \otimes \mathbb{C}[u, u^{-1}].$$

By Proposition 5, Theorem 1 follows from Theorem 6. Since

$$\Omega_{g,A}^{\mathbb{P}^{r-1}} \in H^*(\overline{M}_{g,n}) \otimes \mathbb{C}[u],$$

the coefficients of  $u^k$  for  $k < 0$  in  $\Omega_{g,A}^{r-1}$  give us tautological relations in  $H^*(\overline{M}_{g,n})$  whose coefficients are rational functions in  $r$ .

**1.6. Plan of the paper**

After a review of the localization formula for  $\mathbb{P}^{r-1}$  in the precise form required for the proof of the polynomiality property in Sections 2 and 3, Proposition 5 and Theorem 6 are proven in Section 4.

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**2. Localization graphs**

**2.1. Torus action**

Let  $T = (\mathbb{C}^*)^r$  act diagonally on the vector space  $\mathbb{C}^r$  with weights

$$-\lambda_0, \dots, \lambda_{r-1}.$$

Let

$$p_0, \dots, p_{r-1}$$

be the  $T$ -fixed points of the induced  $T$ -action on  $\mathbb{P}^{r-1}$ . The weights of  $T$  on the tangent space  $T_{p_j}(\mathbb{P}^{r-1})$  are given by

$$\lambda_j - \lambda_0, \dots, \widehat{\lambda_j - \lambda_j}, \dots, \lambda_j - \lambda_{r-1}.$$

There is an induced  $T$ -action on the moduli space  $\overline{M}_{g,n}(\mathbb{P}^{r-1}, d)$  of stable maps. The localization formula of [5] will play a fundamental role in our paper. The  $T$ -fixed loci are represented in terms of dual graphs, and the contributions of the  $T$ -fixed loci are given by tautological classes. The formulas here are standard, see [4, 9].

**2.2. Graphs**

Let the genus  $g$  and the number of markings  $n$  for the moduli space be in the stable range

$$2g - 2 + n > 0.$$

We organize the  $T$ -fixed loci of  $\overline{M}_{g,n}(\mathbb{P}^{r-1}, d)$  according to decorated graphs. A *decorated graph*  $\Gamma \in \mathbf{G}_{g,n}(\mathbb{P}^{r-1})$  consists of the data  $(V, E, N, g, p)$  where

- (i)  $V$  is the vertex set,

- (ii)  $E$  is the edge set (including possible self-edges),
- (iii)  $N : \{1, \dots, n\} \rightarrow V$  is the marking assignment,
- (iv)  $g : V \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0}$  is a genus assignment satisfying

$$g = \sum_{v \in V} g(v) + h^1(\Gamma)$$

and for which  $(V, E, N, g)$  is a stable graph,

- (v)  $p : V \rightarrow (\mathbb{P}^{r-1})^\Gamma$  is an assignment of a  $\Gamma$ -fixed point  $p(v)$  to each vertex  $v \in V$ .

We will often call the markings  $L = \{1, \dots, n\}$  *legs*. We write the localization formula as

$$\sum_{d \geq 0} [\overline{M}_{g,n}(\mathbb{P}^{r-1}, d)]^{\text{vir}} q^d = \sum_{\Gamma \in G_{g,n}(\mathbb{P}^{r-1})} \text{Cont}_\Gamma.$$

While  $G_{g,n}(\mathbb{P}^{r-1})$  is a finite set, each contribution  $\text{Cont}_\Gamma$  is a series in  $q$  obtained from an infinite sum over all edge possibilities.

### 2.3. Basic correlators

**2.3.1. Overview.** We review here basic series in  $q$  which arise in the genus 0 theory of Gromov-Witten invariants of  $\mathbb{P}^{r-1}$ . We fix a torus action  $\Gamma = (\mathbb{C}^*)^r$  on  $\mathbb{P}^{r-1}$  with weights

$$-\lambda_0, \dots, -\lambda_{r-1}$$

on the vector space  $\mathbb{C}^r$ . The following specialization

$$(5) \quad \lambda_i = \zeta_r^i$$

will be imposed for our *entire* study of  $\mathbb{P}^{r-1}$ . Here  $\zeta_r$  is a primitive  $r$ th root of unity.

### 2.4. First correlators

We require several correlators defined via Gromov-Witten invariants of  $\mathbb{P}^{r-1}$ . The first two are obtained from standard Gromov-Witten invariants. For  $\gamma_i \in H_\Gamma^*(\mathbb{P}^{r-1})$ , define

$$\langle \gamma_1 \psi^{a_1}, \dots, \gamma_n \psi^{a_n} \rangle_{g,n,d} = \pi_* \left( [\overline{M}_{g,n}(\mathbb{P}^{r-1}, d)]^{\text{vir}} \cap \prod_{i=1}^n \text{ev}_i^*(\gamma_i) \psi^{a_i} \right),$$

$$\langle \langle \gamma_1 \psi^{a_1}, \dots, \gamma_n \psi^{a_n} \rangle \rangle_{g,n} = \sum_{d \geq 0} \frac{q^d}{d!} \langle \gamma_1 \psi^{a_1}, \dots, \gamma_n \psi^{a_n} \rangle_{g,n,d},$$

where

$$\pi : \overline{M}_{g,n}(\mathbb{P}^{r-1}, d) \rightarrow \overline{M}_{g,n}$$

is the canonical morphism which forgets the map. For each  $\Gamma$ -fixed point  $p_i \in \mathbb{P}^{r-1}$ , let

$$e_i = e(T_{p_i} \mathbb{P}^{r-1})$$



be the equivariant Euler class of the tangent space of  $\mathbb{P}^{r-1}$  at  $p_i$ . Let

$$\phi_i = \frac{\prod_{j \neq i} (H - \lambda_j)}{e_i}, \quad \phi^i = e_i \phi_i \in H_{\mathbb{T}}^*(\mathbb{P}^{r-1})$$

be cycle classes.

The following series will play a fundamental role in our paper.

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbb{S}_i(\gamma) &= e_i \langle \langle \frac{\phi_i}{z - \psi}, \gamma \rangle \rangle_{0,2}, \\ \mathbb{V}_{ij} &= \langle \langle \frac{\phi_i}{x - \psi}, \frac{\phi_j}{y - \psi} \rangle \rangle_{0,2}. \end{aligned}$$

Unstable degree 0 terms are included by hand in the above formulas. The unstable degree 0 term for  $\mathbb{S}_i(\gamma)$  (resp.  $\mathbb{V}_{ij}$ ) is  $\gamma|_{p_i}$  (resp.  $\frac{\delta_{ij}}{e_i(x+y)}$ ). We write

$$\mathbb{S}(\gamma) = \sum_{i=0}^{r-1} \phi_i \mathbb{S}_i(\gamma).$$

The series  $\mathbb{S}_i$  and  $\mathbb{V}_{ij}$  satisfy the basic relation

$$(6) \quad e_i \mathbb{V}_{ij}(x, y) e_j = \frac{\sum_{k=0}^{r-1} \mathbb{S}_i(\phi_k)|_{z=x} \mathbb{S}_j(\phi^k)|_{z=y}}{x + y}$$

which follows from the WDVV equation ([4]).

**2.5. Further calculations**

Define the  $I$ -function by

$$\mathbb{I}(q) = \sum_{d=0}^{\infty} \frac{q^d}{\prod_{i=0}^{r-1} \prod_{k=1}^d (H - \lambda_i + kz)} \in H_{\mathbb{T}}^*(\mathbb{P}^{r-1}) \otimes \mathbb{C}[[q, \frac{1}{z}]].$$

Define differential operators

$$(7) \quad D = q \frac{d}{dq}, \quad M = H + zD.$$

Using Birkhoff factorization, an evaluation of the series  $\mathbb{S}(H^j)$  can be obtained from the  $I$ -function, see [8, 10]:

$$(8) \quad \begin{aligned} \mathbb{S}(1) &= \mathbb{I}, \\ \mathbb{S}(H^j) &= M \mathbb{S}(H^{j-1}) \text{ for } 1 \leq j \leq r-1, \\ \mathbb{S}(H^r) &= \frac{M \mathbb{S}(H^{r-1})}{L_r^r}. \end{aligned}$$

Here,  $L_r(q) = (1 + q)^{\frac{1}{r}}$ . The function  $\mathbb{I}$  satisfies the following Picard-Fuchs equation

$$(9) \quad (M^r - 1 - q) \mathbb{I} = 0.$$

The restriction  $\mathbb{I}|_{H=\lambda_i}$  admits the following asymptotic form

$$(10) \quad \mathbb{I}|_{H=\lambda_i} = e^{\mu\lambda_i/z} \left( R_0 + R_1 \left( \frac{z}{\lambda_i} \right) + R_2 \left( \frac{z}{\lambda_i} \right)^2 + \dots \right)$$

with series  $\mu, R_k \in \mathbb{C}[[q]]$ .

A derivation of (10) can be obtained via the Picard-Fuchs equation (9) for  $\mathbb{I}|_{H=\lambda_i}$ . The series  $\mu$  and  $R_k$  are found by solving differential equations obtained from the coefficient of  $z^k$ . For example,

$$\begin{aligned} 1 + D\mu &= L_r, \\ R_0 &= L_r^{\frac{1-r}{2}}, \\ R_1 &= \frac{L_r^{-\frac{1+3r}{2}}}{24r} (r-1)(-2r-1 + (1+r)L_r^r + rL_r^{1+r}), \\ R_2 &= \frac{L_r^{-\frac{3+5r}{2}}}{1152r^2} (r-1)(23 + 69r + 48r^2 + 4r^3 - 2L_r^r(23 + 46r + 25r^2 + 2r^3) \\ &\quad - 2L_r^{1+r}r(-1 - r + 2r^2) + L_r^{2r}(23 + 23r + r^2 + r^3) \\ &\quad + 2L_r^{2r+1}r(-1 + r^2) + L_r^{2r+2}(r-1)r^2). \end{aligned}$$

The specialization (5) is used for these results.

From the equations (8) and (10), we can show the series  $\mathbb{S}(H^j)$  have the following asymptotic expansions:

$$(11) \quad \mathbb{S}_i(H^j) = e^{\frac{\mu\lambda_i}{z}} \sum_{k \geq 0} R_{kj} \left( \frac{z}{\lambda_i} \right)^k \quad \text{for } 0 \leq j \leq r.$$

The following constraints play a fundamental role for the proof of polynomiality in Proposition 5.

**Proposition 7.** *For all  $k \geq 0$ , we have*

$$R_{ki} = P_k(i, r)$$

with  $P_k(w, v) \in \mathbb{C}[L_r^{\pm \frac{1}{2}}][w, v, v^{-1}]$ , where  $w, v$  are formal variables.

*Proof.* By induction on  $k$ , we prove that there exists a polynomial  $P_k(w, v)$  such that  $R_{ki} = P_k(i, r)$ . By applying (11) to (8), we have

$$(12) \quad R_{ki} = L_r R_{k i-1} + D R_{k-1 i-1}.$$

By applying the above equation repeatedly, we obtain the following equation

$$(13) \quad R_{ki} = L_r^i R_k + \sum_{j=0}^{i-1} L_r^{i-1-j} D R_{k-1 j}.$$

Especially we have

$$R_{0i} = L_r^i R_0 = L_r^{\frac{1-r+2i}{2}}$$

and therefore the induction hypothesis is true for  $k = 0$ .

Now suppose the induction hypothesis is true for  $l \leq k - 1$ . Since  $R_{lj} = P_l(j, r)$  for some  $P_l(w, v) \in \mathbb{C}[L_r^{\pm \frac{1}{2}}][w, v, v^{-1}]$ , we also have  $DR_{lj} = \tilde{P}_l(j, r)$  for some  $\tilde{P}_l(w, v) \in \mathbb{C}[L_r^{\pm \frac{1}{2}}][w, v, v^{-1}]$ . Therefore the sum in the equation (13)

$$\sum_{j=0}^{i-1} L_r^{i-1-j} DR_{lj} = Q_{li}(S_0(i-1), S_1(i-1), \dots, S_{n_{li}}(i-1), r)$$

for some  $n_{li} \in \mathbb{N}$  and  $Q_{li} \in \mathbb{C}[L_r^{\pm \frac{1}{2}}][w_1, w_2, \dots, w_{n_{li}}, v, v^{-1}]$ . Here  $S_a(b) = \sum_{s=0}^b s^a$  for  $a, b \in \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0}$ . Since  $S_a(i-1)$  is a polynomial in  $i$  for all  $a \in \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0}$ , we conclude

$$(14) \quad \sum_{j=0}^{i-1} L_r^{i-1-j} DR_{lj} = \tilde{Q}_{li}(i, r)$$

for some  $\tilde{Q}_{li}(w, v) \in \mathbb{C}[L_r^{\pm \frac{1}{2}}][w, v, v^{-1}]$ . By applying (9) to the case  $(l, i) = (k + 1, r)$  of (13), we obtain

$$\sum_{j=0}^{r-1} L_r^{r-1-j} DR_{kj} = 0.$$

Applying the argument of (14) to the above equation, we have

$$D(L_r^{\frac{r-1}{2}} R_k) + W_k(r) \cdot DL_r = 0$$

for some  $W_k(v) \in \mathbb{C}[L_r^{\pm \frac{1}{2}}][v, v^{-1}]$ . By solving the above differential equation for  $R_k$ , we conclude

$$R_k = \tilde{P}_k(r)$$

for some  $\tilde{P}_k(v) \in \mathbb{C}[L_r^{\pm \frac{1}{2}}][v, v^{-1}]$ .

Finally using (13), we have

$$R_{ki} = P_k(i, r)$$

for some  $P_k(w, v) \in \mathbb{C}[L_r^{\pm \frac{1}{2}}][w, v, v^{-1}]$  satisfying

$$P_k(0, v) = \tilde{P}_k(v). \quad \square$$

### 3. Higher genus series on $\mathbb{P}^{r-1}$

#### 3.1. Higher genus reconstruction theory

We review here the now standard method first used by Givental [4, 9, 10] to express genus  $g$  correlators in terms of genus 0 data.

Let  $\Gamma \in \mathbf{G}_{g,n}(\mathbb{P}^{r-1})$  be a decorated graph defined in Section 2. The *flags* of  $\Gamma$  are the half-edges. Denote by  $F$  the set of flags. From the standard argument of the torus localization technique, we obtain the following result.

**Proposition 8** (Givental [4]). *We have*

$$\begin{aligned} & \langle \langle H^{a_1}, \dots, H^{a_n} \rangle \rangle_{g,n} \\ &= \sum_{\Gamma \in \mathcal{G}_{g,n}(\mathbb{P}^{r-1})} \frac{1}{|\text{Aut}(\Gamma)|} [\Gamma, [\prod \kappa_v \prod \eta_l \prod \Delta_e]] \in H^*(\overline{M}_{g,n}) \otimes \mathbb{C}[[q]], \end{aligned}$$

where

- For  $v \in V$ , let  $\kappa_v = \text{Hodge}_v(\frac{1}{R_{00}})^{2g(v)-2+n(v)} \kappa\left(T-T e^{\frac{\mu_{\mathbf{p}(v)}}{T}} \left(\frac{\mathbf{S}_{\mathbf{p}(v)}(1)(-T)}{R_{00}}\right)\right)$ , where

$$\text{Hodge}_v = \frac{\prod_{s=1}^g \prod_{j \neq \mathbf{p}(v)} (\lambda_{\mathbf{p}(v)} - \lambda_j - \rho_s)}{e_{\mathbf{p}(v)}}$$

with Chern roots  $\rho_1 \dots \rho_g$  of the Hodge bundle on  $\overline{M}_{g(v),n(v)}$ .

- For  $l \in L$ , let  $\eta_l = e^{\frac{\mu_{\mathbf{p}(l)}}{\psi_l}} \left(\mathbf{S}_{\mathbf{p}(l)}(H^{a_l})(-\psi_l)\right)$ , where  $v(l) \in V$  is the vertex to which the leg is attached.
- For  $e \in E$ , let

$$\Delta_e = e^{\frac{\mu_{\mathbf{p}(v')}}{\psi'} + \frac{\mu_{\mathbf{p}(v'')}}{\psi''}} \mathbf{V}_{\mathbf{p}(v'), \mathbf{p}(v'')}(-\psi', -\psi''),$$

where  $\psi', \psi''$  are the  $\psi$ -classes corresponding to the half-edges assigned to  $v', v''$ .

### 3.2. Grothendieck-Riemann-Roch formula

Using Mumford’s Grothendieck-Riemann-Roch formula [11], we can remove the factor  $\text{Hodge}_v$  at each vertex  $v$  in the localization formula of

$$\langle \langle H^{a_1}, \dots, H^{a_n} \rangle \rangle_{g,n}$$

in Proposition 8 by modifying the edge terms.

Define a new series  $\mathbb{B}_j^i(z)$  in  $z$  by

$$(15) \quad \mathbb{B}_j^i(z) := \text{Exp}\left(-\sum_{k \geq 0} z^{2k-1} \frac{\sum_{s \neq i} (\lambda_i - \lambda_s)^{1-2k} B_{2k}}{2k-1} \frac{B_{2k}}{2k}\right) \left(\sum_{k \geq 0} R_{kj} \left(\frac{z}{\lambda_i}\right)^k\right).$$

In Section 4, the polynomiality of the series

$$\mathbb{B}_j^i(z) \in \mathbb{C}[L_r^{\pm \frac{1}{2}}, z]$$

will be proven. We define the series  $B_{r,j}(u, z) \in \mathbb{C}[u, z]$  by the following equation

$$(16) \quad \mathbb{B}_j^0(z) = L_r^{\frac{-1+r-2j}{2}} B_{r,j}(L_r^r, z).$$

**Proposition 9.** *We have*

$$\begin{aligned} & \langle \langle H^{a_1}, \dots, H^{a_n} \rangle \rangle_{g,n} \\ &= \sum_{\Gamma \in \mathcal{G}_{g,n}(\mathbb{P}^{r-1})} \frac{1}{|\text{Aut}(\Gamma)|} [\Gamma, [\prod \kappa_v \prod \eta_l \prod \Delta_e]] \in H^*(\overline{M}_{g,n}, \mathbb{Q}) \otimes \mathbb{C}[[q]], \end{aligned}$$

where

- For  $v \in \mathcal{V}$ , let  $\kappa_v = e_{\mathfrak{p}(v)}^{\mathfrak{g}(v)-1} \left(\frac{1}{R_{00}}\right)^{2\mathfrak{g}(v)-2+n(v)} \kappa \left(T - \frac{1}{R_{00}} \mathbb{B}_0^{\mathfrak{p}(v)}(-T)\right)$ .
- For  $l \in \mathcal{L}$ , let  $\eta_l = \left(\mathbb{B}_{\mathfrak{p}(v(l))}^{\alpha_l}(-\psi_l)\right)$ , where  $v(l) \in \mathcal{V}$  is the vertex to which the leg is attached.
- For  $e \in \mathcal{E}$ , let

$$\Delta_e = \frac{\sum_{i=0}^{r-1} \mathbb{B}_i^{\mathfrak{p}(v')} (0) \mathbb{B}_{r-1-i}^{\mathfrak{p}(v'')} (0) - \sum_{i=0}^{r-1} \mathbb{B}_i^{\mathfrak{p}(v')} (-\psi') \mathbb{B}_{r-1-i}^{\mathfrak{p}(v'')} (-\psi'')}{\psi' + \psi''},$$

where  $\psi', \psi''$  are the  $\psi$ -classes corresponding to the half-edges assigned to  $v', v''$ .

*Proof.* Using the Grothendieck-Riemann-Roch formula [11] at each vertex term, we can remove the factor  $\text{Hodge}_v$  at each vertex  $v$  in the localization formula of  $\langle\langle H^{a_1}, \dots, H^{a_n} \rangle\rangle_{g,n}$  in Proposition 8 by modifying the half edge terms by (15). See [4, Section 2.3] for more explanations.

The proof of the proposition follows by applying (6), (11) to the localization formula of  $\langle\langle H^{a_1}, \dots, H^{a_n} \rangle\rangle_{g,n}$  in Proposition 8 after the previous vertex-half edge modification. □

### 4. Polynomiality

#### 4.1. R-matrix

Define the polynomial  $P_{ka} \in \mathbb{C}[L_r]$  in  $L_r$  by the following normalization:

$$R_{ka} = L_r^{\frac{1-r-2k(1+r)+2a}{2}} P_{ka}.$$

Applying the equation (8) to the asymptotic expansions (11) of  $\mathbb{S}_i(H^a)$ , we obtain recursive relations for  $P_{ka}$ .

**Lemma 10.** *The polynomials  $P_{ka}$  satisfy the relations*

$$\begin{aligned} P_{ka} &= P_{k\ a-1} + \frac{(1-r) - 2(k-1)(r+1) + 2(a-1)}{2r} (L_r^r - 1) P_{k-1\ a-1} \\ &\quad + L_r^r \text{D} P_{k-1\ a-1}, \\ P_{k0} &= P_{kr}. \end{aligned}$$

*Proof.* Applying the equation (8) to the asymptotic expansions (11) of  $\mathbb{S}_i(H^a)$ , we obtain the first equation using

$$\text{D}L = \frac{L_r^{1-r}}{r} (L_r^r - 1).$$

The second equation follows from the third equation in (8). □

Let

$$P_{ka}(0) = P_{ka}|_{L_r=0}.$$

From the constant term with respect to  $L_r$  in the equations of Lemma 10, we obtain:

**Lemma 11.** *The restrictions  $P_{ka}(0)$  satisfy the relations*

$$P_{ka}(0) - P_{k a-1}(0) = \frac{1}{2r}((2k - 1)(r + 1) - 2a)P_{k-1 a-1}(0),$$

$$P_{k0}(0) = P_{kr}(0).$$

*Remark 12.* The equations for  $P_{ka}(0)$  in the above Lemma equal the equation for  $P_k(r + 1, a)$  in [12, Lemma 4.3] up to a factor  $1/r$ . Therefore the solutions of the equations in the above Lemma will differ from the solutions of the equation in [12, Lemma 4.3] by the factor  $(1/r)^k$ .

**4.2. Equivariant mirror of  $\mathbb{P}^{r-1}$**

We review here an explicit description of the oscillating integrals on the mirror manifold of  $\mathbb{P}^{r-1}$  in [2]. Givental introduced the mirror manifold for  $\mathbb{P}^{r-1}$

$$\{(T_0, \dots, T_{r-1}) \mid e^{T_0} \dots e^{T_{r-1}} = q \subset \mathbb{C}^r\}$$

with superpotential

$$F(T) = \sum_{j=0}^{r-1} (e^{T_j} + \lambda_j T_j).$$

Consider the integrals given by

$$\mathcal{I}_i = e^{-\ln(q)\lambda_i/z} (-2\pi z)^{-\frac{(r-1)}{2}} \int_{\Gamma_i \subset \{\sum T_j = \ln q\}} e^{F(T)/z} \omega$$

along  $(r - 1)$ -cycles  $\Gamma_i$  through a specific critical point of the superpotential  $F$  which can be constructed via the Morse theory of the real part of  $\frac{F(T)}{z}$ . Here,  $\omega$  is the restriction of  $dT_0 \wedge \dots \wedge dT_{r-1}$  to  $\Gamma_i$ .

There are  $r$  critical points of  $F$  at which the integral  $\mathcal{I}_i$  admits a stationary phase expansion. Let  $Z_i$  be the solution to

$$\prod_{i=0}^{r-1} (X - \lambda_i) = q$$

with limit  $\lambda_i$  as  $q \rightarrow 0$ . For each  $i$ , if we choose the critical point  $T_j = \ln(Z_i - \lambda_j)$ , the factor

$$e^{\frac{u_i}{z}} := \text{Exp}\left(\left(\sum_{j=0}^{r-1} (Z_i - \lambda_j + \lambda_j \ln(Z_i - \lambda_j)) - \lambda_i \ln q\right)/z\right)$$

is well defined in the limit as  $q \rightarrow 0$ . Via the shift of the integral to the critical point and re-scaling of coordinates by  $\sqrt{z}$ , we have

$$(17) \quad \mathcal{I}_i = e^{\frac{u_i}{z}} \int \text{Exp}\left(-\sum_j (Z_j - \lambda_j) \sum_{k=3}^{\infty} \frac{T_j^k (-z)^{(k-2)/2}}{k!}\right) d\mu_i,$$

where  $d\mu_i$  is the Gaussian distribution

$$(2\pi)^{\frac{r-1}{2}} \text{Exp}\left(-\sum_j (Z_i - \lambda_j) \frac{T_j^2}{2}\right).$$

In order to find the asymptotic expansion, we formally expand the exponential in (17) and integrate over the real part of the image of the mirror. The integrals are moments of  $\mu_i$  which can be calculated via the covariance matrix

$$\sigma_i(T_k, T_l) = \begin{cases} -\frac{1}{\Delta_i} \prod_{j \notin \{k, l\}} (Z_i - \lambda_j) & \text{for } k \neq l, \\ \frac{1}{\Delta_i} \sum_{m \neq k} \prod_{j \notin \{k, m\}} (Z_i - \lambda_j) & \text{for } k = l. \end{cases}$$

From the vanishing of odd moments of Gaussian distributions, we find that the asymptotic expansion of  $e^{-\frac{u_i}{z}} \mathcal{I}_i$  is a power series in the variable  $z$ .

In conclusion, we obtain the following asymptotic expansion

$$\mathcal{I}_i = e^{\frac{u_i}{z}} \cdot L_r^{\frac{1-r}{2}} F_r\left(\frac{z}{\lambda_i L_r^{r+1}}, L_r^r\right),$$

with  $F_r(x, y) \in \mathbb{C}[x, y]$ .

From the mirror theorem for  $\mathbb{P}^{r-1}$ , we have the following result.

**Theorem 13** (Givental [3, Section 10]). *We have the equality of power series in  $z$ ,*

$$\mathbb{B}_0^i(z) = L_r^{\frac{1-r}{2}} F_r\left(\frac{z}{\lambda_i L_r^{r+1}}, L_r^r\right).$$

We do not know the closed form of  $F_r(x, y)$ . For  $r = 2$ , we obtain the following result from the argument in [6, Section 3.3].

$$F_2(x, 0) = \sum_{i \geq 0} \frac{(6i)!}{(3i)!(2i)!} \left(\frac{-x}{576}\right)^i.$$

### 4.3. Proof of Proposition 5

**Definition 14.** Consider a stable graph  $\Gamma$  of genus  $g$  with  $n + k$  marked legs. A *weighting*  $\mathbf{a}$  of  $\Gamma$  is a function on the set of half-edges

$$\mathbf{H}(\Gamma) \rightarrow \{0, \dots, r - 1\}, \quad h \mapsto a_h$$

satisfying the following conditions:

- (i) If  $h$  and  $h'$  are the two half-edges of a edge, then  $a_h + a_{h'} = r - 1$ ,
- (ii) If  $h$  corresponds to the leg  $i$  for  $1 \leq i \leq n$ , then  $a_h = a_i$ ,
- (iii) If  $h$  is a  $\kappa$ -leg, then  $a_h = 0$ .

Let  $\Gamma$  be a stable graph with  $n + k$  legs. Let  $\mathbf{m}$  be a function

$$\mathbf{m} : \mathbf{H}(\Gamma) \rightarrow \mathbb{N}, \quad h \mapsto m_h$$

satisfying the conditions

- (i)  $\sum_{j \in \mathbf{H}(\Gamma)} m_j = d + |\mathbf{E}(\Gamma)|$ ,
- (ii) If  $h$  and  $h'$  are the two half-edges of a edge, then  $(m_h, m_{h'}) \neq (0, 0)$ .

Define the sum

$$S_{\Gamma, \mathbf{m}} = \sum_{\text{weighting } \mathbf{a}} p_{k*} \left\{ \prod_v x_v^{g_v-1} \prod_h B_{r a_h m_h} x_v^{m_h - a_h} \right\}_x,$$

where  $p_k : \overline{M}_{g,n+k} \rightarrow \overline{M}_{g,n}$  is the map which forgets the last  $k$  markings. Here we recall the series  $B_{ra}(z) := \sum_{k \geq 0} B_{rak} z^k$  in (3). Since we can write the coefficient of the formula of Definition 4 in terms of  $\pm S_{\Gamma, \mathbf{m}}$ , the polynomiality assertion of Proposition 5 follows from the following lemma.

**Lemma 15.** *The sum  $S_{\Gamma, \mathbf{m}}$  is a polynomial in  $r$  for all sufficiently large  $r$ .*

*Proof.* The proof here follows closely the argument in [13, Section 4.6]. Let  $\Gamma'$  be the graph obtained from  $\Gamma$  by adding a vertex at the end of each leg and in the middle of each edge. Let  $\mathbf{M}$  be the edge-vertex adjacency matrix of  $\Gamma'$ . The matrix  $\mathbf{M}$  satisfies the assumptions of [7, Proposition A1]. The vertex  $\mathbf{x}$  of [7, Proposition A1] assigns an integer  $x_h$  to each edge of  $\Gamma'$  or, equivalently to each half-edge  $h$  of  $\Gamma'$ . The vectors  $\mathbf{a}$  and  $\mathbf{b}$  of [7, Proposition A1] assign an integer to each vertex of  $\Gamma'$ . We summarize what these integers are for each vertex of  $\Gamma'$  and what conditions are imposed by the equation

$$(18) \quad \mathbf{M}\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{a} + r\mathbf{b}.$$

type of vertex of $\Gamma'$	$\mathbf{a}$	$\mathbf{b}$	effect on $\mathbf{x}$
midpoint of edge $h - h'$ in $\Gamma$	$r - 1$	0	$x_h + x_{h'} = r - 1$
endpoint of leg $h$ in $\Gamma$	$a_h$	0	$x_h = a_h$
vertex $v$ of $\Gamma$	$g_v - 1 + \sum_{h \rightarrow v} m_h$	$b_v$	TopFT condition from the variable $x_v$

The conditions on  $\mathbf{x}$  imply that  $\mathbf{x}$  is a weighting of  $\Gamma'$ . For each weighting  $\mathbf{a}$ , we can find the unique solution  $(\mathbf{a}, \mathbf{b})$  of the equation (18). For a given graph  $\Gamma$  and a given choice of integers  $m_h$ , there are only *finitely* many possible values  $b_v$ . Therefore, the sum  $S_{\Gamma, \mathbf{m}}$  over all weightings can be decomposed into a finite number of sums of the form of [7, Proposition A1]. Hence, the polynomiality of  $S_{\Gamma, \mathbf{m}}$  follows from [7, Proposition A1].  $\square$

**4.4. Proof of Theorem 6**

The formula is essentially a reformulation of the localization formula of Proposition 9 using (16). We give a few more explanations.

**TopFT conditions at the vertices.** The powers of  $x_v$  keep track of the remainders modulo  $r$ . More precisely,  $x^{k-j}$  is assigned to the factor  $R_{kj}$ . Therefore the coefficients of  $\psi^m$  in the formulas come with an  $m$ th power of the corresponding vertex variable.



**Powers of  $ru^{\frac{r-1}{r}}$  at the vertices.** The factor  $r$  corresponds to  $e_{p_v}$  and  $u^{(r-1)/r} = (1+q)^{(r-1)/r}$  corresponds to  $R_{00} = L_r^{(1-r)/2}$  at each vertex. Here, we recall  $L_r := (1+q)^{1/r}$ . The factor  $(R_{00})^{-n(v)}$  at the vertex  $v$  in the formula of Proposition 9 is absorbed into the edge factors in the formula of Definition 4.

**4.5. Examples**

We give a few examples of  $\Omega_{g,A}^{\mathbb{P}^\infty,d}$ . For  $g-1 = d$  and  $\sum_i a_i = 2(g-1)$ , the results here coincide with Witten’s classes calculated in [13, Section A.3]. More precisely, we have  $\Omega_{g,A}^{\mathbb{P}^\infty,g-1}|_{u=0} = (-s)^{g-1}W_{g,A}^s$  with  $r = s - 1$ . For the results here, Conjecture 3 was verified using classical results in the moduli of curves in [13, Section A.3].

**Genus 1.** For  $A = (0, \dots, 0)$ , we have

$$\Omega_{1,A}^{\mathbb{P}^\infty,0} = r \in H^0(\overline{M}_{1,n}) \otimes \mathbb{C}[u].$$

**Genus 2,  $n = 1, a_1 = 1, d = 0$ .** For  $A = (1)$ , we have

$$\Omega_{2,A}^{\mathbb{P}^\infty,0} = ru \in H^0(\overline{M}_{2,1}) \otimes \mathbb{C}[u].$$

**Genus 2,  $n = 2, a_1 = 2, d = 1$ .** Let  $\delta_{\text{sep}}, \delta_{\text{nonsep}}$  be the classes in  $H^2(\overline{M}_{2,1})$ , where the indices sep and nonsep refer to the boundary divisors with a separating or a nonseparating node. The kappa class  $\kappa_1$  satisfies

$$\kappa_1 = \psi_1 + \frac{7}{5}\delta_{\text{sep}} + \frac{1}{5}\delta_{\text{nonsep}}.$$

For  $A = (2)$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned} \Omega_{2,A}^{\mathbb{P}^\infty,1} &= \left( -\frac{1}{24}r(r-1)(2r+1) + \frac{1}{24}r(r^2-1)u \right) \kappa_1 \\ &\quad + \left( \frac{1}{24}r(2r^2-25r+47) - \frac{1}{24}r(r^2-24r+47)u \right) \psi_1 \\ &\quad + \left( \frac{1}{24}r(r-1) - \frac{1}{24}r(r-1)(r+1)u \right) \delta_{\text{nonsep}} \\ &\quad + \left( -\frac{1}{24}r(r-1)(2r-11) + \frac{1}{24}r(r-1)(r-11)u \right) \delta_{\text{sep}} \\ &\in H^2(\overline{M}_{2,1}, \mathbb{Q}) \otimes \mathbb{C}[u]. \end{aligned}$$

**Genus 2,  $n = 2, a_1 = a_2 = 1, d = 1$ .**

- Let  $\alpha$  be the locus of curves with a rational component carrying both markings and a genus 2 component,
- Let  $\beta$  be the locus of curves with two elliptic components carrying one marking each,
- Let  $\gamma$  be the locus of curves with two elliptic components one of which carries both markings and the other one no markings,
- Let  $\delta_{\text{nonsep}}$  be the locus of curves with a nonseparating node.

For  $A = (1, 1)$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned} \Omega_{2,A}^{\mathbb{P}^\infty,1} &= \left( -\frac{1}{24}r(r-1)(2r+1) + \frac{1}{24}r(r-1)(r+1)u \right) \kappa_1 \\ &\quad + \left( \frac{1}{24}r(r-1)(2r-11) - \frac{1}{24}r(r-1)(r-11)u \right) (\psi_1 + \psi_2) \\ &\quad + \left( -\frac{1}{24}r(2r^2 - 25r + 47) + \frac{1}{24}r(r^2 - 24r + 47)u \right) \alpha \\ &\quad + \left( -\frac{1}{24}r(r-1)(2r+1) + \frac{1}{24}r(r-1)(r+1)u \right) \beta \\ &\quad + \left( -\frac{1}{24}r(r-1)(2r-11) + \frac{1}{24}r(r-1)(r-11)u \right) \gamma \\ &\quad + \left( \frac{1}{24}r(r-1) - \frac{1}{24}r(r-1)(r+1)u \right) \delta_{\text{nonsep}} \\ &\in H^2(\overline{M}_{2,2}) \otimes \mathbb{C}[u]. \end{aligned}$$

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