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Black holes and the arithmetic of
of families of Calabi-Yau varieties

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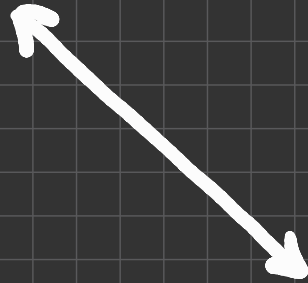
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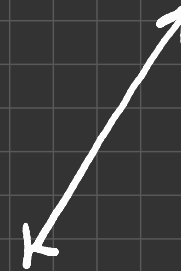
an instance of the rich connections between
mathematics (geometry & number theory)
and theoretical physics

geometry of
Calabi-Yau varieties
and that of their
moduli space

arithmetic of
families of CY manifolds
and modularity properties

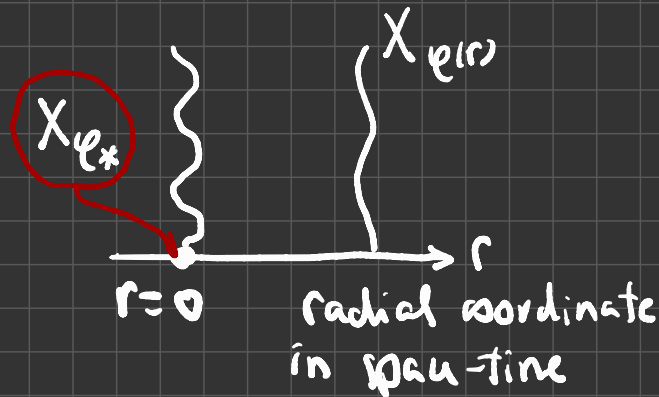


String theory



focus today: physics of Black hole solutions in string theory

entropy
↓
L-values



attractor
mechanism

work with

P Candelas, M. Elmi
& D van Straten
Dec 2019



P Candelas, XD, D van Straten April 2021

(P Candelas, XD, J Mc Govern, P Kuusela 2021, Feb 2023)

① CY manifolds

very brief

② Arithmetic of CY manifolds

mostly
classical
discussion

③ The attractor mechanism

black hole solutions
of II B superstrings

arithmetic and
modularity

① CALABI-YAU MANIFOLDS

Mathematical objects of interest:

algebraic varieties with certain special properties

set of solutions of

$$\underline{P(\underline{c}, \underline{x}) = 0, \underline{x} \in \mathbb{A}^n}$$

↑ polynomials with complex coefficients \underline{c}

Calabi-Yau manifolds

metric $\sim \partial\bar{\partial}K$

CY manifolds: compact Kähler with $c_1 = 0$



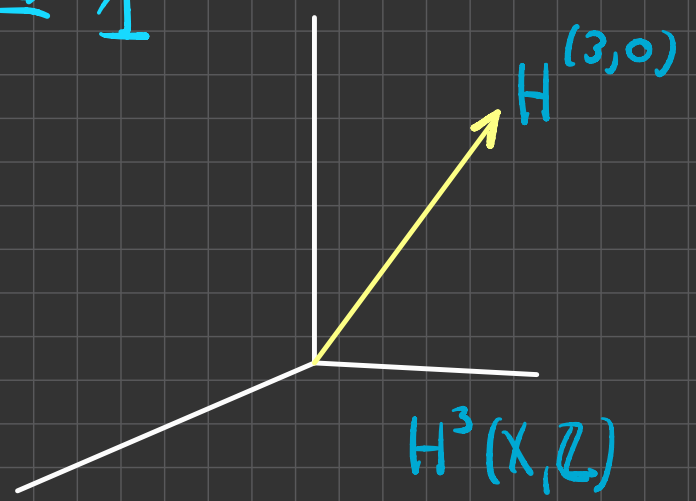
admit a Ricci-flat metric

This talk: concerned with $d=3$

► It is a theorem that $\exists!$ (up to a constant) $(3,0)$ -form Ω which is holomorphic ($d\Omega=0$)

$$h^{(3,0)} = \dim H^{(3,0)} = \dim H^{(0,3)} = 1$$

$$(H^3 = H^{(3,0)} \oplus H^{(2,1)} \oplus H^{(1,2)} \oplus H^{(0,3)})$$



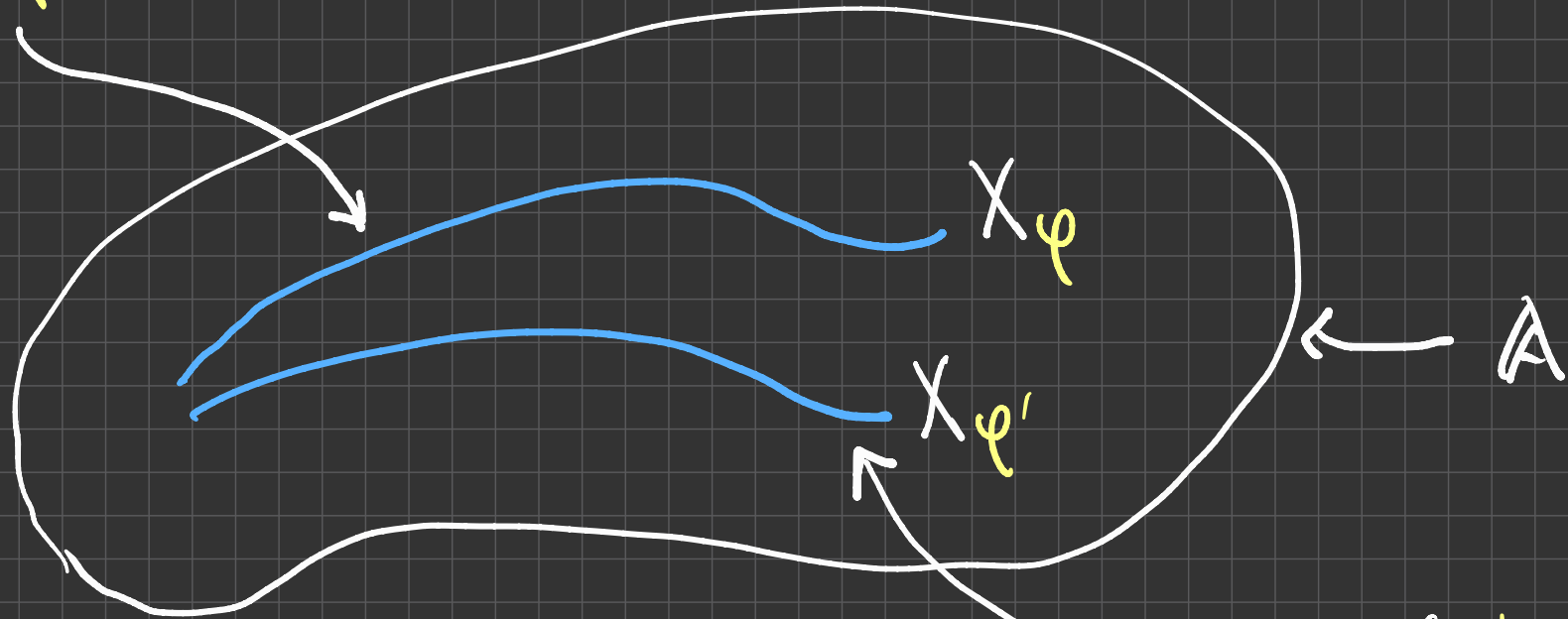
► CY manifolds have parameters X_φ
↳ they come in families

complex structure
Kähler structure

(moduli spaces have interesting geometry)

complex structure parameters \rightarrow coefficients of P

$$X_\varphi: P(\varphi, \underline{x}) = 0$$



$$X_{\varphi'}: P(\varphi', \underline{x}) = 0$$

Kähler structure: "site" with respect to the metric

Examples: very many

• $\mathbb{P}^4[5]$ eg $\sum x_i^5 - 5\psi x_1 x_2 x_3 x_4 x_5$ $(x_1, \dots, x_5) \in \mathbb{P}^4$
 \swarrow
 $c_1 = 0$

• We have in mind a particular example:

Verrill 1996, Hulek & Verrill 2005

$$\left[\left(\sum_{i=1}^5 x_i \right) \left(\sum_{i=1}^5 \frac{1}{x_i} \right) - \psi = 0 \text{ when } (x_1, \dots, x_5) \in \mathbb{P}^4 \setminus \{ \prod x_i = 0 \} \right]$$

why this example?

exhibits interesting arithmetic properties
which have an interpretation in BH solutions
of string theory

② ARITHMETIC OF CALABI-YAU VARIETIES

Let X_φ be a family of algebraic varieties st

X_φ is a hypersurface with defining polynomial $P(\varphi, \underline{x})$

let $\varphi \in \mathbb{Q}$

Questions:

▶ how many solutions of $P(\underline{x}, \varphi) = 0$ are there over \mathbb{Q}

↙ i.e. $x_i \in \mathbb{Q}$

▶ how does this number vary with φ ?

TOO HARD

eg in number theory
→ millenium problems BSD-conjecture
related to estimates of these countings
for elliptic curves

One learns a lot however by "reducing mod p "
 where p is a prime number, that is,
 by working over finite fields \mathbb{F}_{p^k} , $k=1,2,\dots$
 $(\mathbb{F}, +, \cdot)$ ↗ ↘ field with p^k elements

[simplest: $\mathbb{F}_p \rightarrow$ integers mod p]

$\mathbb{F}_{p^2} \rightarrow \mathbb{F}_p[\alpha] = \{a + \sqrt{\alpha}b, a, b \in \mathbb{F}_p, \alpha \neq \text{a square in } \mathbb{F}_p\}$
 ↗ ↘ eg 2, 3 not squares in \mathbb{F}_5

So let $\varphi \in \mathbb{F}_p$:

The fundamental quantities of interest are

$N_k(\varphi)$ = number of solutions of $P(x, \varphi) = 0$ over \mathbb{F}_{p^k}

Generating function \rightarrow zeta function

$$Z_x(T, p; \varphi) = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{k} N_k(\varphi) T^k$$

$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{depends on both } p \text{ \& } \varphi \end{array} \right.$

\rightarrow properties \rightarrow Weil conjectures

(proven by Dwork, Deligne, Grothendieck)

"simple" case : X a point

$$N_k = 1 \quad \forall k$$

$$\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{k} N_k T^k = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{k} T^k = -\log(1-T)$$

$$\Rightarrow \zeta_{\text{point}}(T) = \frac{1}{1-T}$$

Remark:

$$\prod_p \zeta_{\text{point}}(p^{-s}) = \prod_p \frac{1}{1-p^{-s}}$$

↑
enter the notion of
L-functions

$$= \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n^s} = \zeta_{\mathbb{Q}}(s)$$

Example: Elliptic curve E cy
dim 1

$$\zeta(T) = \frac{1 + a_p T + p T^2}{(1-T)(1-pT)}$$

$$a_p = 1 + p - N_p$$

$p \neq$ prime of bad reduction

E associated to a modular form

Taniyama-Shimura conjecture

proof: Wiles, Breuil, Conrad, Diamond, Taylor

L-function:

$$\prod_p \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (p^{-s})^n = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{a_n}{n^s}$$

$a_n \rightsquigarrow$ n-th coeff of a modular form of weight 2

↳ built from the q_p

of $\Gamma_0(N) < SL(2, \mathbb{Z})$

conductor: its prime factors \rightarrow primes of bad reductions

$$\Gamma_0(N): \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix} \in SL(2, \mathbb{Z}) \text{ st } c \equiv 0 \pmod{N}$$

weight k modular form $g(\tau)$ of $\Gamma_0(N)$: for $\begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix} \in \Gamma_0(N)$

$$g\left(\frac{a\tau+b}{c\tau+d}\right) = (c\tau+d)^k g(\tau)$$

For a smooth CY 3-fold X

$$\zeta_X(T) = \frac{\cancel{R_1(T)} R_3(T) \cancel{R_5(T)}}{(1-T) R_2(T) R_4(T) (1-p^3 T)}$$

Weyl conjectures:
→ ζ is a rational function
→ $\deg R_i = b_i$

CY 3 fold: $b_1 = 0, b_5 = 0 \Rightarrow R_1 = 1$ & $R_5 = 1$

$$\deg R_3(T) = b_3; \quad b_3 = \underbrace{1}_{h^{3,0}} + \underbrace{1}_{h^{2,1}} + \underbrace{1}_{h^{1,2}} + \underbrace{1}_{h^{0,3}} = 4$$

1 parameter examples

$$\deg R_2(T) = \deg R_4(T) = h''$$

" "

$$b_2 = b_4$$

$$(as \ h^{(2,0)} = h^{(0,2)} = 0)$$

nicest cases → $R_2(T) = (1-pT)^{h''}$, $R_4(T) = (1-p^2T)^{h''}$

$$h^{1,2} = 1 \quad \text{so} \quad b_3 = 1 + 1 + 1 + 1 = 4$$

$$R_3(T, \varphi) = 1 + a_p(\varphi)T + b_p(\varphi)pT^2 + a_p(\varphi)p^3T^3 + p^6T^4$$

$$a_p(\varphi) = 1 + h''p + h''p^2 + p^3 - N_1(\varphi) \quad \# \text{ of points over } \mathbb{F}_p$$

$$2pb_p(\varphi) = 1 + h''p^2 + h''p^4 + p^6 + N_1^2(\varphi) - N_2(\varphi) \quad \# \text{ of points over } \mathbb{F}_{p^2}$$

These can be computed!

R_3 can be "quickly" computed for $\varphi \in \mathbb{F}_p$
($\varphi = 0, 1, \dots, p-1$) for many primes p

P. Candelas,
XD &
Dvan Straten
(04/2021)

Many questions arise: certainly ready for substantial experimentation.

→ What are the properties of a_p & b_p ?

→ One can construct L-functions

$$L(s, \psi) = \prod_p R_3(p^{-s}, \psi)^{-1}$$

What are the properties of the L-function?

Modularity conjectures?

That is: is there an analogue of the modularity of elliptic curves for CY 3-folds?

(→ Langlands programme)

Again at this time these are very hard questions

modularity is not classical modularity except in some special cases

▶ rigid CY ($h^{2,1}=0$) : F. Gouvêa + N. Yui

$$R_3(T) = 1 - a_p T + p^3 T^2$$

► What happens at singularities?

necessary to properly understand the L-function

eg conifold singularities

R_3 gets a factor $(1 - a_p T + p^3 T^2)$

a_p = p -th coeff in q -expansion of the eigenform g of weight 4 of $\Gamma_0(N)$

mirror quintic: $q = 1/5$ $N = 25$
similar statements for $H^1 V$

In fact

HV **motivation**: "to find further examples of modular
(2005) CY varieties, ie, of CY varieties which
are defined over the rationals and
whose L-series can be described
in terms of modular forms"

→ found modularity at conifold singularities

later:

modularity at values of q^* where X_{q^*} is smooth
(attractor varieties)

Recall: a_p & b_p depend on φ

While at this time it is hard to say
in general what the properties of a_p & b_p
are (and there are many conjectures)



interesting things happen
for special values of φ

③ THE ATTRACTOR MECHANISM PART 1

(Furuya, Kallosh, Strominger 95, ... Greg Moore 98 ...)

Physics: supersymmetric black hole solutions
of type IIB supergravity

→ 10 dimensional generalisations of
Einstein's equations for gravity
+
Maxwell equations for electromagnetism

10 dim space-time

4 dim spherically symmetric, asymptotically flat, charged BH parametrised by a radial coordinate r

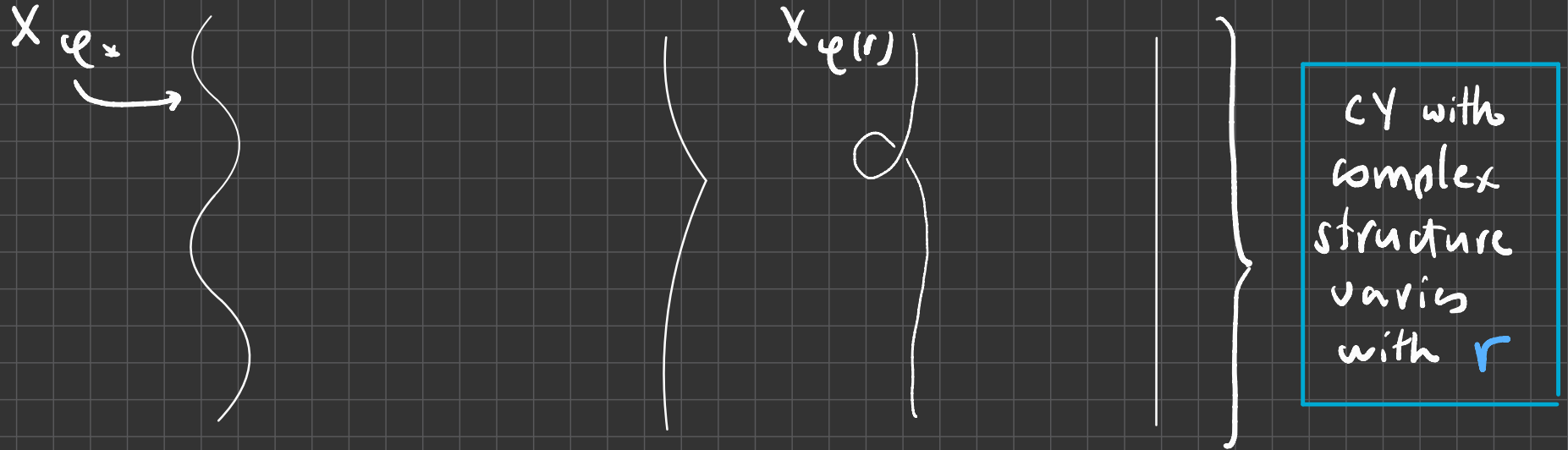
\times

6 dim CY $\times \varphi(r)$ at each point of the BH

10 dim metric =

BH metric (r)	0
0	CY metric which depends on $\varphi(r)$

10 dim space: a CY, $X_{\varphi(r)}$, at each point of space-time (BH)



horizon ($r=0$)

$$\varphi(r) \rightarrow -\infty$$

(coordinate singularity)

4 dim spherically symmetric BH

$$ds^2 = e^{2\alpha(r)} dt^2 + e^{-2\alpha(r)} d\underline{x}^2, \quad \underline{x} = (x, y, z)$$

flat 4-dim space-time $r \rightarrow \infty$
($\varphi(r) \rightarrow 0$)

surface separating interior & exterior of the BH

• last surface visible from infinity

Type IIB SUGRA is gravity with extra
all) gauge fields (b3 of them)

So, the BH has electric & magnetic charge

$$Q = \begin{pmatrix} q_a \\ p_b \end{pmatrix} \quad a, b = 0, \dots, h^{2,1}(X)$$

these are integers

let: $\Gamma := p^a \alpha_a - q_b \beta^b \in H^3(X, \mathbb{Z})$

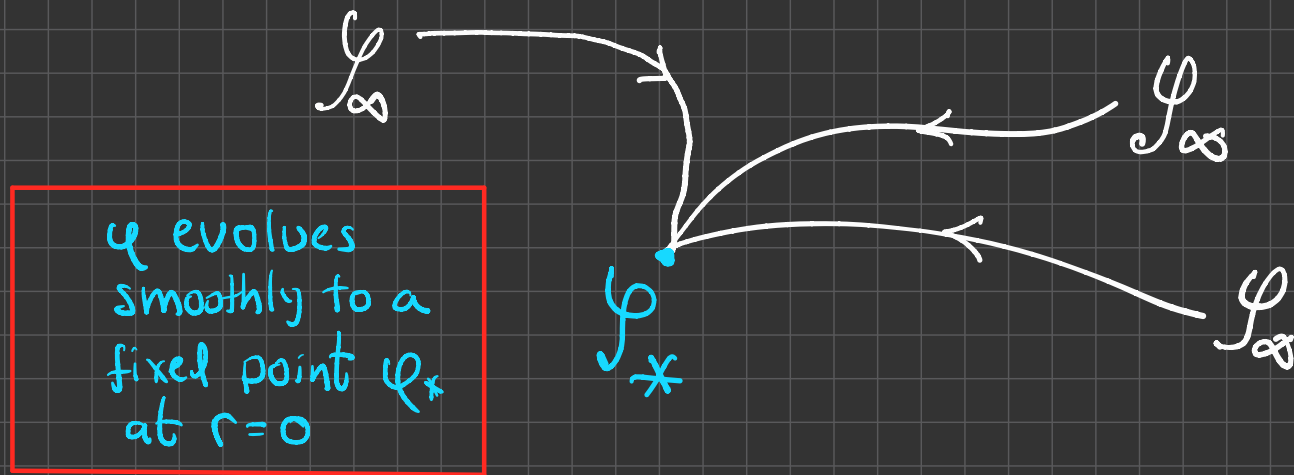
charge vector

(α_a, β^b) basis of $H^3(X, \mathbb{Z})$

Black hole solutions which preserve supersymmetry need to satisfy 1st order differential eqs for $\ell(r)$ & $\varphi(r)$, the attractor equations

These equations represent a non-linear dynamical system on the \mathbb{C} structure moduli space with flow parameter $\rho = 1/r$

The attractor equations say that for a solution with $\Gamma \in H^3(X, \mathbb{Z})$, the \mathbb{G} -structure parameters flow to a value $\varphi_* = \varphi(r=0)$ independent of the starting value $\varphi_\infty = \varphi(r=\infty)$



95: Ferrara + Kallosh
+ Strominger

98: G. Moore
conjectures on the
arithmetic nature of
attractor varieties X_{φ_*}

The G -structure at an attractor point $\varphi = \varphi_*$ is st

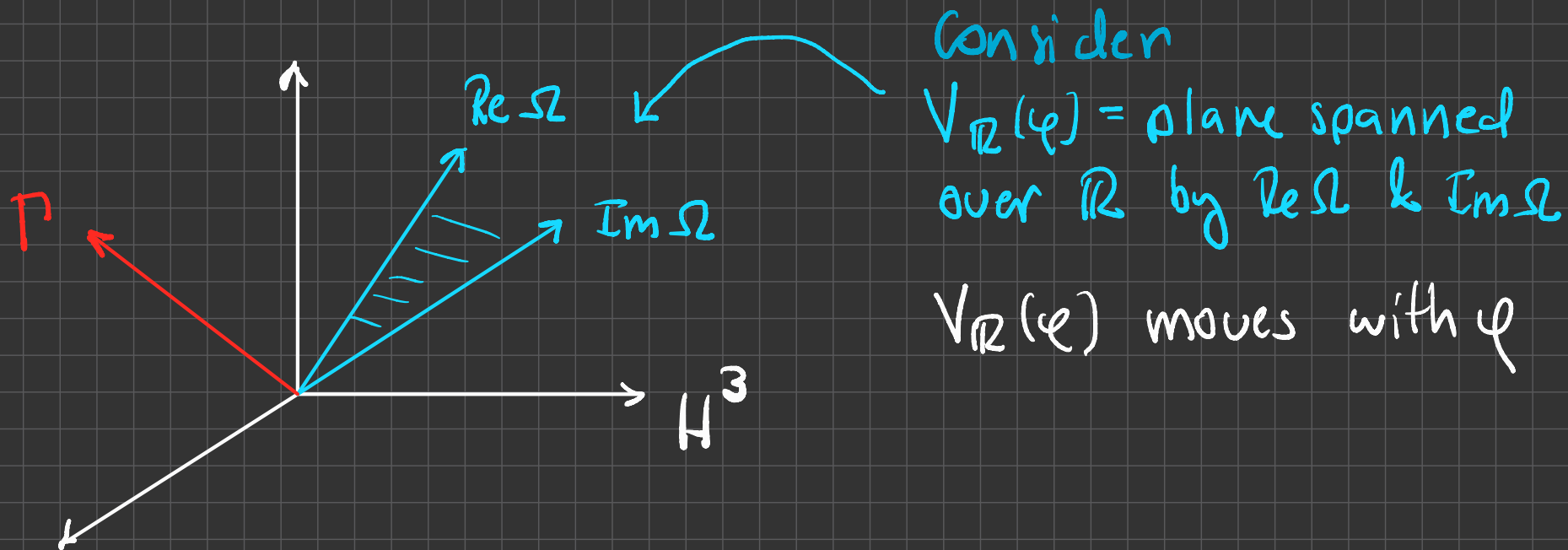
$$\Gamma = p^a \alpha_a - q_a \beta^a \in H^{(3,0)} \oplus H^{(0,3)}$$

ie $\Gamma^{(2,1)} = \Gamma^{(1,2)} = 0$

► one can solve the attractor eqs for changes Γ st φ_* is an attractor point **but** the result generically is that Γ is not integral

rank 1 attractors

Recall: Ω defines a line in $H^3(X, \mathbb{Z})$



Consider
 $V_{\mathbb{R}}(\varphi) =$ plane spanned
over \mathbb{R} by $\text{Re } \Omega$ & $\text{Im } \Omega$
 $V_{\mathbb{R}}(\varphi)$ moves with φ

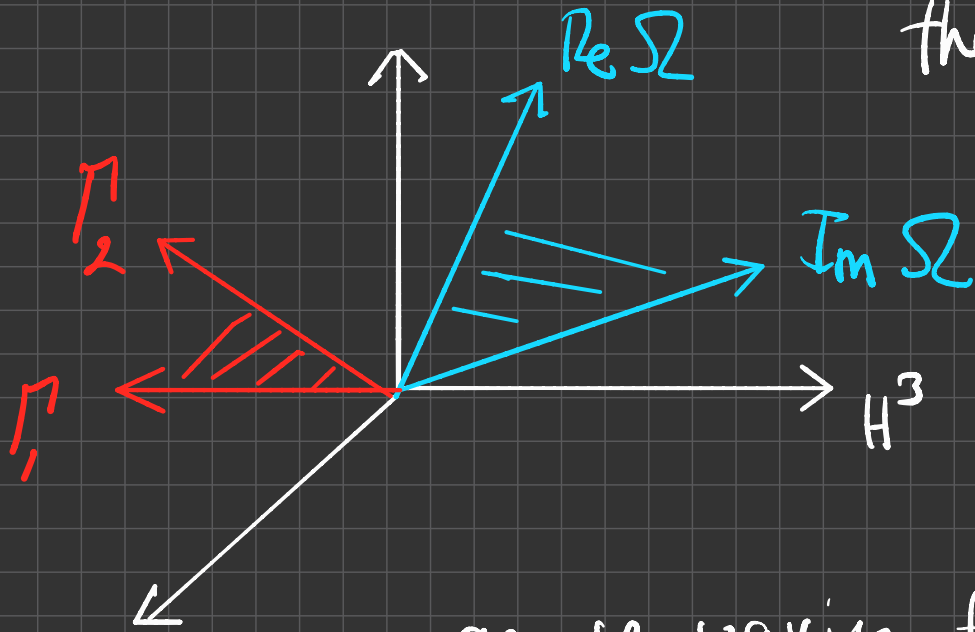
OTOH: Inside $H^3(X, \mathbb{R})$ we have a lattice of vectors
 $\Gamma \subset H^3(X, \mathbb{Z})$ which are fixed

rank 1 A.P: φ st $V_{\mathbb{R}}(\varphi)$ contains the line Γ

rank 2 attractors

at an attractor point of rank 2 there are two vectors in $H^3(X, \mathbb{Z})$

$$P_1, P_2 \text{ st } P_{1,2} \in H^{(3,0)} \oplus H^{(0,3)}$$

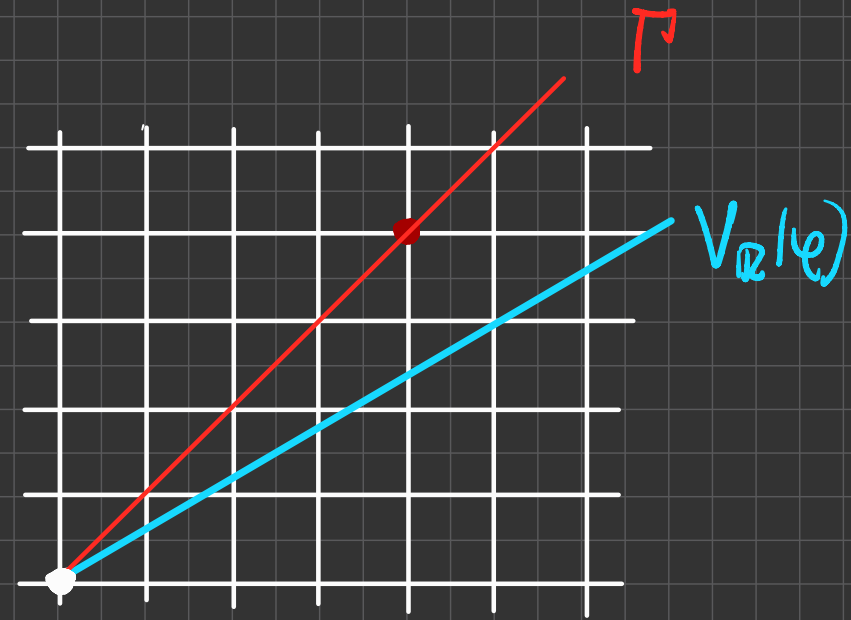


as q varies the plane $V_{\mathbb{R}}(q)$ moves and at a rank 2 attractor point $q = q_*$ the plane $V_{\mathbb{R}}(q)$ coincides with the plane generated by P_1 & P_2 .

RARE,

very difficult to find a CY which has rank 2 attractor points

A line which passes through the origin in general will not pass through another lattice point unless the slope is rational.



Not too hard to find φ st $V_Q(\varphi)$ coincides with T

For rank 2 attractors we have a **plane** and it is then much harder to find φ st **it** coincides with $V_Q(\varphi)$

(some progress ... P. Candelas + XD + M. F. Lmi + D van Straten
K Bönisch + A Klemm + Scheidegger + Hagler
P. Candelas + XD + J McGovern + P Kuurila in progress ...)

Geometrically: at $\varphi = \varphi^*$

$V = H^{(7,0)} \oplus H^{(0,3)}$ is a lattice plane in $H^3(X, \mathbb{Z})$

Then $V^\perp = H^{(2,1)} \oplus H^{(1,2)}$ is orthogonal to V
(under the natural symplectic product on 3-forms)
and it is also a lattice plane in $H^3(X, \mathbb{Z})$

This amounts to a

•• Splitting of the Hodge structure of $H^3(X, \mathbb{Z})$

Hodge conjecture \Rightarrow splitting has a geometrical origin

So, how do we find attractor varieties
with **rank 2** attractor points?

again, very hard!

However: the splitting becomes apparent in the
arithmetic structure of X

∴ arithmetic strategy!

③ Part II The attractor mechanism
 & the arithmetic of CY manifolds

At $\varphi = \varphi_x$

$$R_3(T) = \det(1 - T \text{Frob}_p^{-1})$$

$\text{Frob}_p^{-1} \rightsquigarrow \begin{pmatrix} 1 & & & \\ & 1 & & \\ & & 1 & \\ & & & 1 \end{pmatrix}$

$$= (1 - \alpha T + p^3 T^2) (1 - \beta T + p^3 T^2)$$

$H^{2,1} \oplus H^{1,2} \qquad H^{3,0} \oplus H^{0,3}$

factors
 over \mathbb{Z}
 $\forall p$

More over: expect α, β to be coeffs of modular forms
 (Tate & Serre conjectures)

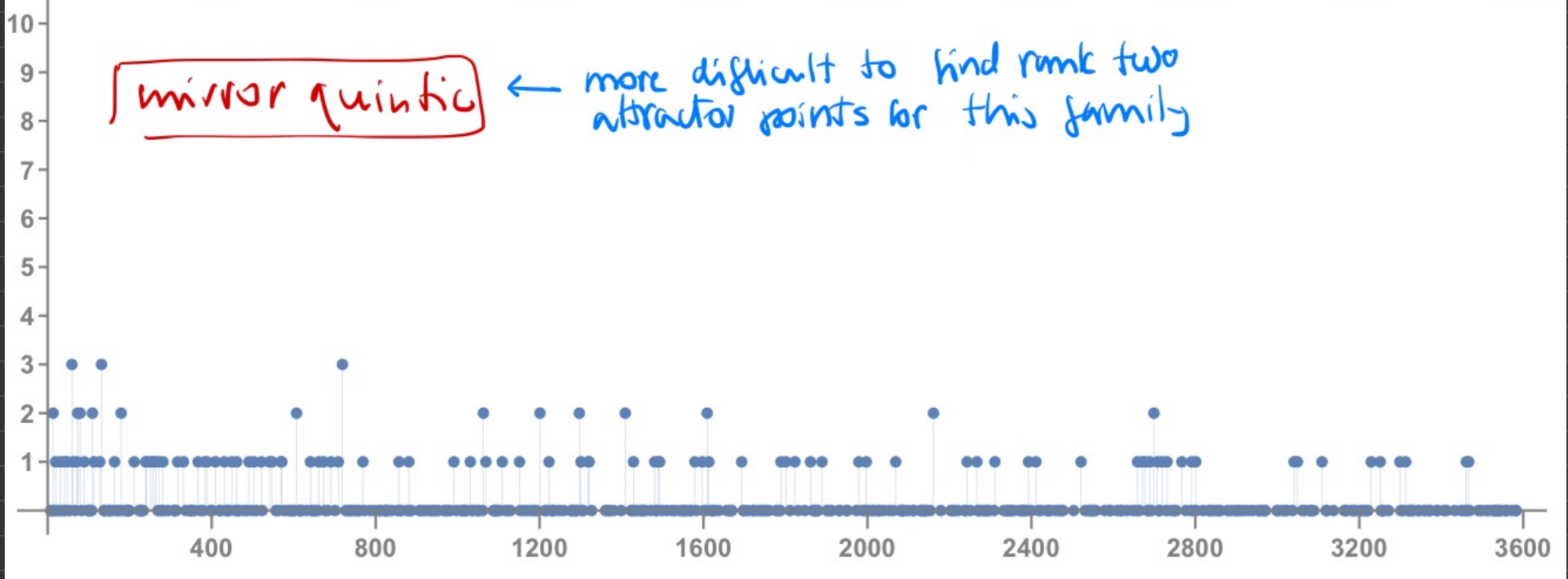
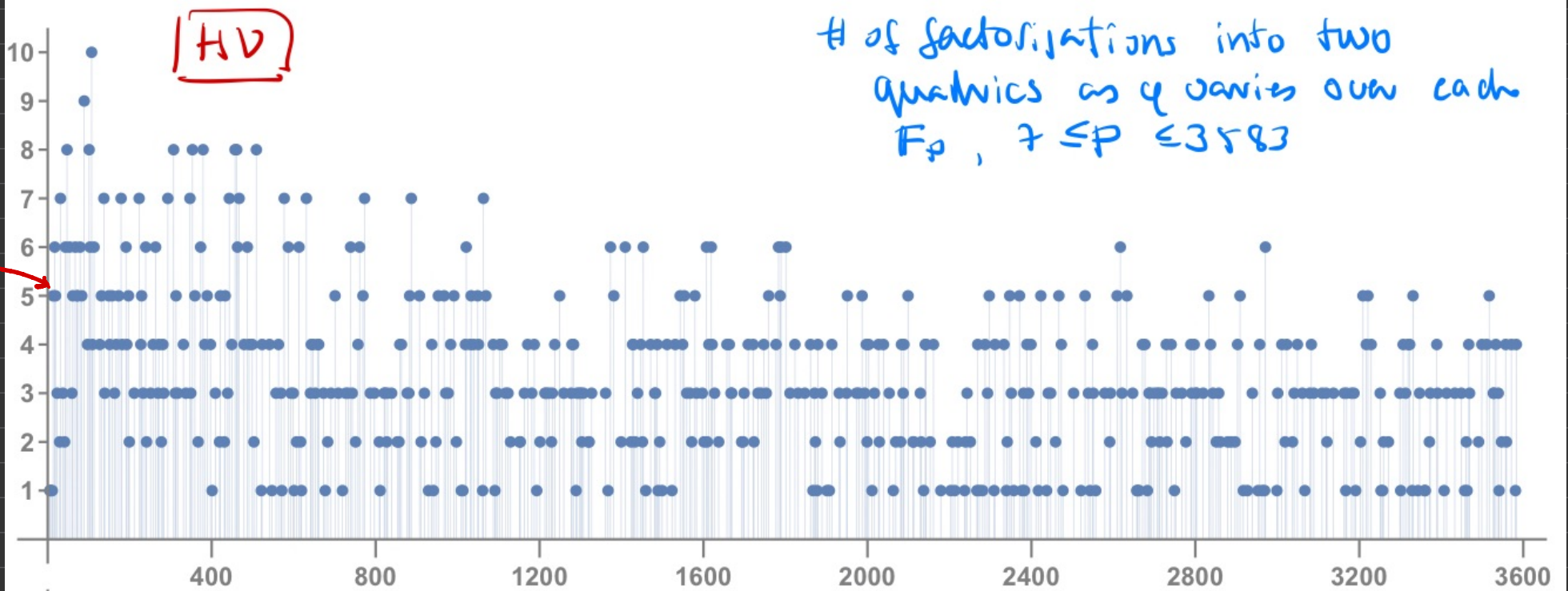
Arithmetic strategy:

make tables of $R_3(\tau, \varphi)$ for many p & φ
and look for persistent factorisations of R_3
into two quadrics

↑
factorisations occurring when
 φ_* is a root of a polynomial
with integer coeffs

[P. Candela, XD, A Thorne, Du Straten

P. Candela, XD, Du Straten 04/2021]



We find that for the HV manifold there is always a factorisation when (P Candelas, XD, M Elmi & DuStraten)

$$\bullet \quad 7\varphi + 1 = 0$$

and

$$\bullet \quad \varphi^2 - 66\varphi + 1 = 0 \quad : \quad \varphi_{\pm} = 33 \pm 8\sqrt{17}$$

For $p = 19$ (say)

$$\varphi = -\frac{1}{7} \equiv 8, \quad \varphi_{\pm} \equiv 4, 5$$

$(17 \equiv 6^2)$

conifold

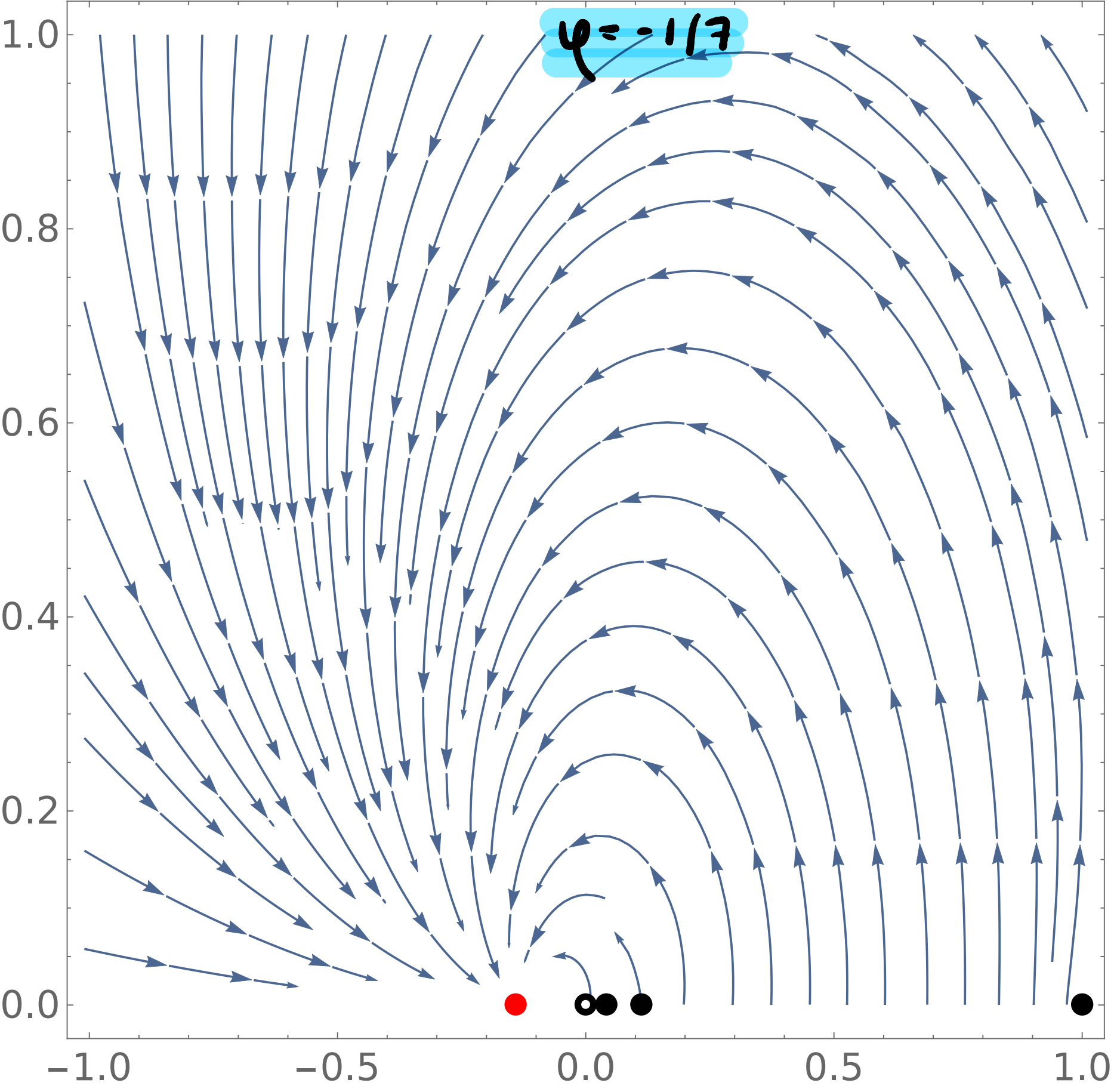
φ_+
→
 φ_-
→

$\varphi = -1/7$
→

conifold
conifold

$p = 19$			
φ	smooth/sing.	singularity	$R(T)$
1	singular	1	$(1 - pT)(1 - 20T + p^3T^2)$
2	smooth		$1 + 4pT + 2pT^2 + 4p^4T^3 + p^6T^4$
3	smooth		$1 - 8T + 242pT^2 - 8p^3T^3 + p^6T^4$
4	smooth		$(1 + 4pT + p^3T^2)(1 - 60T + p^3T^2)$
5	smooth		$(1 + 4pT + p^3T^2)(1 - 60T + p^3T^2)$
6	smooth		$1 + 8T - 318pT^2 + 8p^3T^3 + p^6T^4$
7	smooth		$1 - 44T - 238pT^2 - 44p^3T^3 + p^6T^4$
8	smooth		$(1 - 2pT + p^3T^2)(1 - 80T + p^3T^2)$
9	smooth		$(1 + 4pT + p^3T^2)(1 - 160T + p^3T^2)$
10	smooth		$1 + 12T + 562pT^2 + 12p^3T^3 + p^6T^4$
11	smooth		$(1 + 4pT + p^3T^2)(1 - 140T + p^3T^2)$
12	smooth		$1 + 12T + 82pT^2 + 12p^3T^3 + p^6T^4$
13	smooth		$1 + 178T + 1082pT^2 + 178p^3T^3 + p^6T^4$
14	smooth		$1 + 12T - 158pT^2 + 12p^3T^3 + p^6T^4$
15	smooth		$1 + 42T - 2p^2T^2 + 42p^3T^3 + p^6T^4$
16	singular	$\frac{1}{25}$	$(1 - pT)(1 + 76T + p^3T^2)$
17	singular	$\frac{1}{9}$	$(1 - pT)(1 - 20T + p^3T^2)$
18	smooth		$1 - 54T + 322pT^2 - 54p^3T^3 + p^6T^4$

Table 1: The R -factors for $\varphi \in \mathbb{F}_{19}$. Note the factorisations into two quadrics for the five values $\varphi = 4, 5, 8, 9, 11$.



There is more information in the tables
there are modular forms

$$R_3(T) = (1 - \rho \alpha_p T + p^3 T^2)(1 - \beta_p T + p^3 T^2)$$

Serre's conjecture (generalizing Taniyama - Weil)

↳ "motives" of length two are modular
↳ algebraically defined part of cohomology

[proof: Dieulefait, Khare & Wintenberger, Kisin]

For $\varphi = -1/7$

α_p & β_p are Fourier coefficients of a modular form for $\Gamma_0(14)$

LMFDB

$$f_2 = \sum \alpha_n q^n \quad \text{weight 2}$$

14.2.a.a

$$f_4 = \sum \beta_n q^n \quad \text{weight 4}$$

14.4.a.a

Similarly, for φ_{\pm}

$\varphi_p \in \beta_p \rightarrow$ coeffs of modular forms
for $\Gamma_1(34) \subset \Gamma_0(34)$

$$SL(2, \mathbb{Z}) \ni \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix} \equiv \begin{pmatrix} 1 & b \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \pmod{34}$$

$$f_2 \rightarrow 34.2.b.a$$

$$f_4 \rightarrow 34.4.b.a$$

Area of the horizon of the BH

$$\varphi = -1/7$$

Chowgys $Q_{k\ell} = k(4K, -15K, -5, 0) + \ell(0, 0, 2, 1)$ $K=1, 2$
(two parameter family of BHs)

let $V_* = \frac{7}{\pi} \frac{L_4(2)}{L_4(1)}$ $L_4 \rightarrow L$ -function associated to f_4

Then

$$A(\varphi_*) = 14\pi \left\{ k^2 V_* + \left(\ell - \frac{5k}{2} \right)^2 \frac{1}{V_*} \right\} \propto \text{BH entropy}$$

What is the meaning of this?

Outlook

- ▶ What makes a CY variety an **attractor variety**?
Why is the HV example so special?

There must be a geometric reason for the splitting of the Hodge (Hodge conjecture)

- ▶ Modularity of CY varieties?

- ▶ Mirror symmetry: $L(HV) \leftrightarrow L(\text{mirror of HV})$

eg mirror map: $t_x = t\left(-\frac{1}{7}\right) = \frac{1}{12} + \frac{5\pi i}{28} \frac{L_4(1)}{L_4(2)}$

...

An aerial photograph of a tropical beach. The foreground shows a sandy beach with gentle waves washing onto the shore. The water transitions from a pale yellow-green near the beach to a vibrant turquoise and then a deep blue further out. The sky is a clear, bright blue with scattered white clouds. In the upper right quadrant, the text 'i THANKS!' is written in a blue, hand-drawn font.

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