

Topological recursion in the F-world

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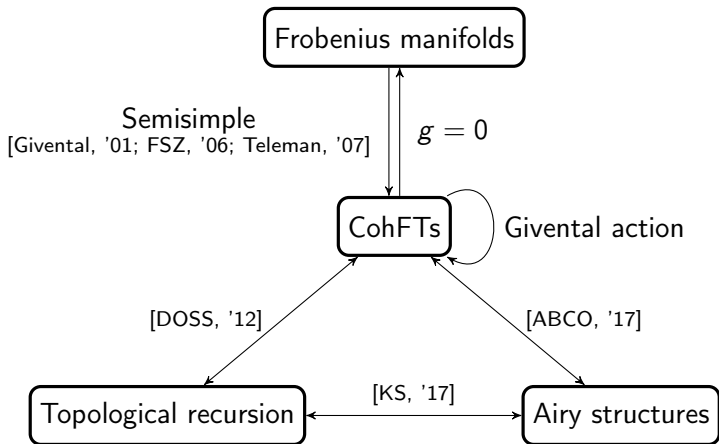


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"Classical" picture



Flat F-manifolds

Definition [Hertling-Manin, '98]

A flat F-manifold (M, ∇, \cdot, e) is the data of a manifold M with

- a connection ∇ in the tangent bundle TM ;
- an algebra structure $(T_p M, \cdot_p)$ with unit on each tangent space;
- additional axioms.

Locally there exist analytic functions $F^\alpha(t^1, \dots, t^N)$, $1 \leq \alpha \leq N$, such that the second derivatives

$$c_{\alpha\beta}^\gamma = \partial_{t^\alpha} \partial_{t^\beta} F^\gamma$$

are the structure constants of the algebra. $\underline{F} = (F^1, \dots, F^N)$ is called vector potential of the flat F-manifold.

F-Cohomological field theories

Definition [Buryak-Rossi, '18]

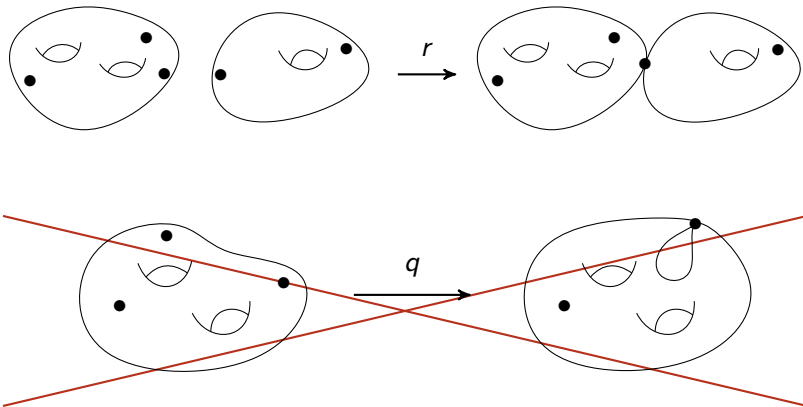
An F-CohFT is the data of a vector space V and a collection of linear maps

$$\Omega_{g,1+n}: V^* \otimes V^{\otimes n} \longrightarrow H^\bullet(\overline{\mathcal{M}}_{g,1+n})$$

indexed by integers $g, n \geq 0$ such that $2g - 2 + (1 + n) > 0$, satisfying the following axioms.

- $\Omega_{g,1+n}$ is equivariant for the action of the symmetric group \mathbb{S}_n permuting simultaneously the tensor factors of $V^{\otimes n}$ and the last n marked points in $\overline{\mathcal{M}}_{g,1+n}$.
- Ω is compatible with the gluing map (of separating kind).

F-Cohomological field theories



From F-CohFTs to F-manifolds

Given an F-CohFT $(\Omega_{g,1+n})_{g,n \geq 0}$, then the functions

$$F^\alpha(\underline{t}) = \sum_{n \geq 2} \frac{1}{n!} \sum_{1 \leq \alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_n \leq N} \left(\int_{\overline{\mathcal{M}}_{0,1+n}} \Omega_{0,1+n}(e^\alpha \otimes \bigotimes_{i=1}^n e_{\alpha_i}) \right) \prod_{i=1}^n t^{\alpha_i}$$

form a vector potential for a flat F-manifold.

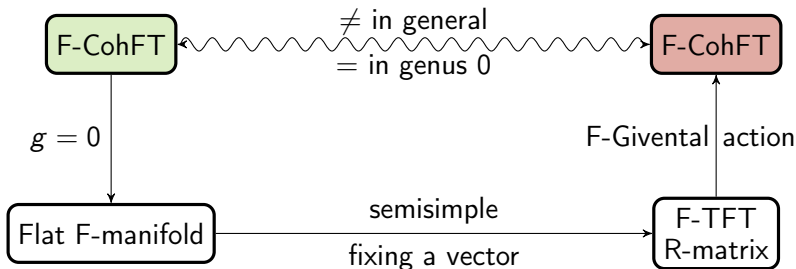
But is it true also the other way around?

A reconstruction of an F-CohFT amounts to the data of its $\text{deg}0$ part, i.e. an F-TFT (V, \cdot, w) , and the action of an R-matrix $R \in \text{End}(V)[[z]]$. This generalises the usual Givental action defined for CohFTs.

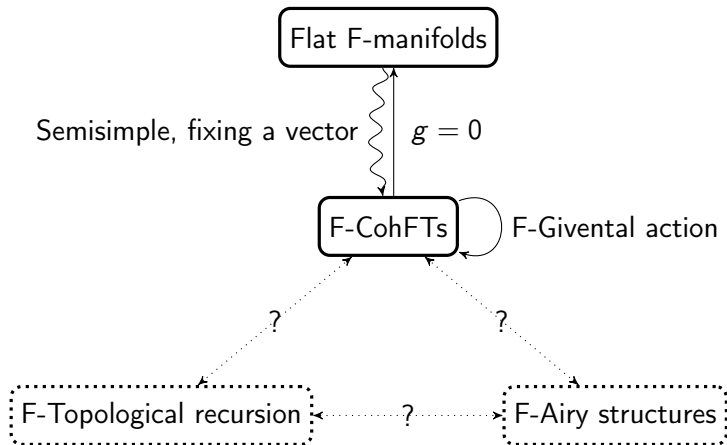
From F-manifolds to F-CohFTs

Theorem [Arsie-Buryak-Lorenzoni-Rossi, '20]

Given a flat F-manifold semisimple at the origin together with a vector in its tangent space, one can uniquely define an F-CohFT.



F-picture



F-Airy structures

Definition

An F-Airy structure on a vector space V is the data of tensors $A \in \text{Hom}(\text{Sym}^2 V, V)$, $B \in \text{Hom}(V^{\otimes 2}, V)$, $C^\circ \in \text{Hom}(V, V^{\otimes 2})$, $C^\bullet \in \text{Hom}(\text{Sym}^2 V, V)$, $D \in V$.

We define F-TR amplitudes

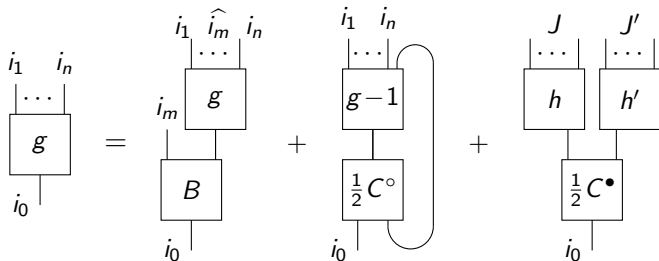
$$F_{g,1+n} \in \text{Hom}(\text{Sym}^n V, V)$$

by induction on $2g - 2 + (1 + n) > 0$ with integers $g, n \geq 0$. Set $F_{0,3} = A$, $F_{1,1} = D$. Taken a basis $(e_i)_{i \in I}$ of V , we'll write

$$F_{g,1+n}(e_{i_1} \otimes \cdots \otimes e_{i_n}) = F_{g;i_1, \dots, i_n}^{i_0} e_{i_0}$$

F-Airy structures

$$\begin{aligned}
 F_{g;i_1,\dots,i_n}^{i_0} &= \sum_{m=1}^n B_{i_m,a}^{i_0} F_{g;i_1,\dots,\widehat{i}_m,\dots,i_n}^a + \frac{1}{2} C_a^{\circ i_0,k} F_{g-1;i_1,\dots,i_n,k}^a \\
 &\quad + \frac{1}{2} C_{a,b}^{\bullet i_0} \sum_{\substack{h+h'=g \\ J \sqcup J' = \{i_1,\dots,i_n\}}} F_{h;J}^a F_{h';J'}^b.
 \end{aligned}$$



F-Topological field theories

Definition

An F-topological field theory (F-TFT) is the data (V, \cdot, w) of a commutative, associative algebra (V, \cdot) together with an element $w \in V$. To an F-TFT one can associate the amplitudes

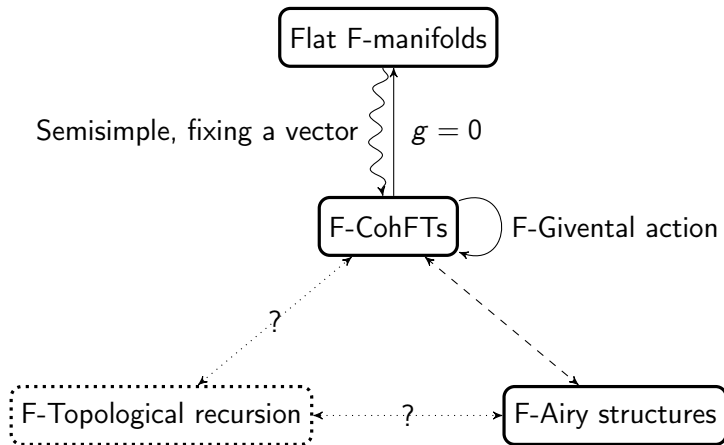
$$\mathcal{F}_{g,1+n}: v_1 \otimes \cdots \otimes v_n \longmapsto v_1 \cdots v_n w^g$$

Theorem

$(A = B = C^\bullet: (v_1, v_2) \longmapsto v_1 \cdot v_2, C^\circ: v \longmapsto v \otimes w, D = \frac{1}{2} w)$ define an F-Airy structure on V and the amplitudes of the associated F-TFT can be computed by F-TR.

We can generalise the action on F-CohFT to define a similar F-Givental group action onto the amplitudes of an F-Airy structure.

F-picture 2.0



F-spectral curve

Definition

An F-spectral curve is a quintuple $(C, x, y, \omega_{0,2}^{\circ}, \omega_{0,2}^{\bullet})$ s.t.

- C is a smooth complex curve equipped with two meromorphic functions x and y , with finitely many simple zeroes of dx ;
- $\omega_{0,2}^{\circ}$ and $\omega_{0,2}^{\bullet}$ are two fundamental bidifferentials of the second kind on C^2 .

We define the maps

$$\mathcal{P}_{-}^{\star}: \phi(z) \mapsto \sum_{\alpha \in \mathfrak{a}} \operatorname{Res}_{w=\alpha} \phi(w) \left(\int_{\alpha}^z \omega_{0,2}^{\star}(\cdot, w) \right)$$

We set $\omega_{0,1} = ydx$ and introduce the recursion kernels

$$K_{\alpha}^{\star}(z_0|z) = \frac{1}{2} \frac{\int_{\sigma_{\alpha}(z)}^z \omega_{0,2}^{\star}(\cdot, z_0)}{\omega_{0,1}(z) - \omega_{0,1}(\sigma_{\alpha}(z))}.$$

F-TR à la Eynard-Orantin

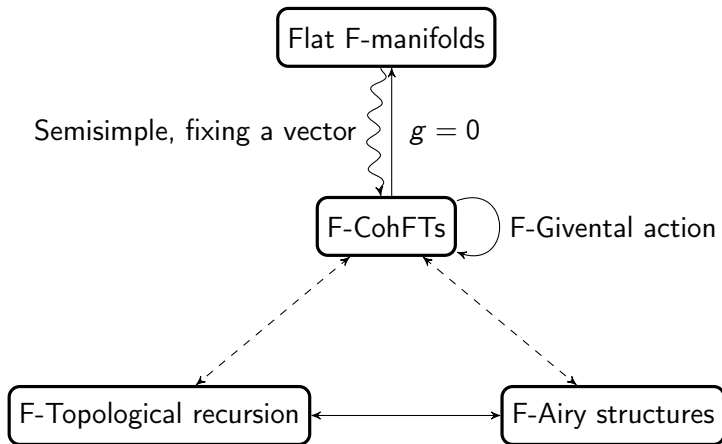
Then we can build two sequences $(\omega_{g,1+n}^\bullet, \omega_{g,1+n}^\circ = (\mathcal{P}_-^\circ)^{\otimes n} \omega_{g,1+n}^\bullet)$

$$\begin{aligned} \omega_{g,1+n}^\bullet(z_0|z_1, \dots, z_n) &= \\ &= \sum_{\alpha \in \mathfrak{a}} \operatorname{Res}_{z=\alpha} K_\alpha^\bullet(z_0|z) \left(\mathcal{P}_-^\circ \otimes \mathcal{P}_-^\circ[\omega_{g-1,2+n}^\bullet](z|\sigma_\alpha(z), z_1, \dots, z_n) \right. \\ &\quad \left. + \sum_{\substack{\text{no } (0,1) \\ h+h'=g \\ J \sqcup J' = \{z_1, \dots, z_n\}}} \omega_{h,1+|J|}^\bullet(z|J) \omega_{h',1+|J'|}^\bullet(\sigma_\alpha(z)|J') \right) \end{aligned}$$

Theorem

Expanding on two natural bases of differentials, the coefficients of these two sequences coincide. Moreover they encode the F-TR amplitudes of an F-Airy structure.

F-picture final form



F-Thank you!

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