# 轨道空间上的Frobenius流形结构

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## §1. Physical background

2-dimensional Toplogical field theory (2D TFT)

QFT on  $\Sigma$  consists of

- ▶ Local fields  $\phi_{\alpha}(x)$ ,  $x \in \Sigma$ , eg. gravity field: the metric  $g_{ij}(x)$
- ▶ Classical action

$$S[\phi] = \int_{\Sigma} L(\phi, \phi_{\mathsf{x}}, \cdots)$$

Remark. Classical field theory is determined by the Euler-Lagrangian equations  $\frac{\delta S}{\delta \phi_{lpha}(x)}=0.$ 

▶ Partition function

$$Z_{\Sigma} = \int [d\phi]e^{-S[\phi]}$$

#### ▶ Correlators

$$\langle \phi_{\alpha}(x)\phi_{\beta}(y)\cdots\rangle = \int [d\phi]\phi_{\alpha}(x)\phi_{\beta}(y)\cdots e^{-S[\phi]}$$

Topological invariance

$$\frac{\delta S}{\delta g_{ij}(x)} = 0$$
 (i.e.,  $\delta g_{ij}(x) = \text{arbitrary}, \ \delta S = 0$ )

Remark. conformal field theory:  $\delta g_{ij}(x) = \epsilon g_{ij}(x), \ \delta S = 0.$ 

 $\Rightarrow$  correlators are numbers depending only on the genus  $g=g(\Sigma)$ 

$$\langle \phi_{\alpha}(\mathbf{x})\phi_{\beta}(\mathbf{y})\cdots\rangle = \langle \phi_{\alpha}\phi_{\beta}\cdots\rangle_{\mathbf{g}}$$

### **Example**. 2D gravity with Hilbert-Einstein action

$$S = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int R\sqrt{g} d^2x = \chi(\Sigma)$$

There are two ways of quantization of this functional to obtain 2D quantum gravity.

1. [Matrix gravity] Base on an approximate discrete version of the model ( $\Sigma \to \text{Polyhedron}$ )  $\leadsto$  Matrix integrals

$$Z_N(t) = \int_{X=X^*} e^{-tr(X^2 + t_1 X^4 + t_2 X^6 + \cdots)} dX$$

 $N o \infty \leadsto au$ -function of KdV hierarchy  $\leadsto$  a solution of 2D gravity

2.[Topological 2D gravity] Base on an approximate supersymmetric extension of Hilbert-Einstein Lagrangian  $\leadsto$ 

$$\sigma_p \leftrightarrow c_p \in H_*(\mathcal{M}_{g,n})$$

and the genus g correlators of the topological gravity are expressed as

$$\langle \sigma_{p_1} \cdots \sigma_{p_n} \rangle = \#(c_{p_1} \cap \cdots c_{p_n}) = \prod_{i=1}^n (2p_i + 1)!! \int_{\overline{\mathcal{M}}_{g,n}} \psi_1^{p_1} \cdots \psi_n^{p_n},$$

where  $\psi_i=c_1(L_i)\in H^*(\overline{\mathcal{M}}_{g,n})$  (the first Chern classes).

## Witten conjecture [Proved by Kontsevich]

 $\int_{\overline{\mathcal{M}}_{g,n}} \psi_1^{p_1} \cdots \psi_n^{p_n}$  is governed by the au-function of KdV hierarchy.

**Problem**. To find a rigorous mathematical foundation of 2D topological field theory.

M.F.Atiyah, Publ.Math. IHES. 68(1988)175-186. (inspired by G.Segal's axiomatization of CFT), for arbitrary dimension

Matter sector of a 2D TFT is specified by

- 1.  $\mathcal{A}=$  the space of local physical states, dim  $\mathcal{A}<\infty$  basis  $\{\phi_1=1,\cdots,\phi_n\}$  (primary observables)
- 2. an assignment

$$(\Sigma, \partial \Sigma) \mapsto \upsilon_{(\Sigma, \partial \Sigma)} \in A_{(\Sigma, \partial \Sigma)}$$

for any oriented 2-surface  $\Sigma$  with an oriented boundary  $\partial \Sigma$  depends only on the topology of the the pair  $(\Sigma, \partial \Sigma)$ 

$$A_{(\Sigma,\partial\Sigma)}:=\left\{egin{array}{ll} \mathbb{C}, & \mbox{if} & \partial\Sigma=\emptyset; \ A_1\otimes\cdots\otimes A_k, & \mbox{if} & \partial\Sigma=C_1\cup\cdots\cup C_k \end{array}
ight.$$
  $A_i:=\left\{egin{array}{ll} \mathcal{A}, & \mbox{oriention of} & C_i \mbox{ is coherent to that of }\Sigma; \ \mathcal{A}^*, & \mbox{otherwise} \end{array}
ight.$ 

The assignment satisfies three axioms: (see the attached files)

1. Normalization; 2. Multiplicativity; 3. Factorization.



Denote a symmetric polylinear function on the space of the states by

$$v_{g,s} := v_{(\Sigma,\partial\Sigma)} \in \underbrace{\mathcal{A}^* \otimes \cdots \otimes \mathcal{A}^*}_{s}, \quad g = g(\Sigma)$$

The genus g correlators of the fields  $\phi_{\alpha_1}, \cdots, \phi_{\alpha_s}$  are defined by

$$\langle \phi_{\alpha_1} \cdots \phi_{\alpha_s} \rangle_{\mathbf{g}} := v_{\mathbf{g},\mathbf{s}} (\phi_{\alpha_1} \otimes \cdots \otimes \phi_{\alpha_s}).$$

**Theorem**[Dijgraff etc.]  $\mathcal{A}$  carries a natural structure of a Frobenius algebra  $(\mathcal{A}, \bullet, \langle \ , \ \rangle, \phi_1)$ . All correlators can be expressed in a pure algebraic way in terms of this algebra, i.e.,

$$\langle \phi_{\alpha_1} \cdots \phi_{\alpha_s} \rangle_{\mathbf{g}} = \langle \phi_{\alpha_1} \bullet \dots \bullet \phi_{\alpha_s}, H^{\mathbf{g}} \rangle$$

where  $H = \eta^{\alpha\beta}\phi_{\alpha} \bullet \phi_{\beta}$  and  $\eta_{\alpha\beta} = \langle \phi_{\alpha}, \phi_{\beta} \rangle$ .

**Definition**. A Frobenius algebra is a pair  $(A, \bullet, \langle , \rangle, e)$  satisfying

- 1. A is a commutative and associative algebra over K with a unit e;
- 2.  $\langle \ , \ \rangle : \mathcal{A} \times \mathcal{A} \to \mathcal{K}$  is a symmetric non-degenerate inner product;
- 3.  $\langle , \rangle$  is invariant, i.e.,  $\langle a \bullet b, c \rangle = \langle a, b \bullet c \rangle$ .

**Example A**[Topological sigma model]. X a smooth projective variety,

$$\dim_{\mathbb{C}} X = d, H^{odd}(X) = 0, A = H^*(X), \dim A = n$$

primary observables  $\leftrightarrow$  cohomologies  $\phi_1 = 1, \cdots, \phi_n \in H^*(X)$ 

$$\langle \phi_i, \phi_j \rangle := \int_X \phi_i \cup \phi_j$$

Claim:  $(A, \cup, \langle , \rangle, \phi_1)$  is a Frobenius algebra.

**Example B**[Topological Landau-Ginsburg model]. Let f(x) be an analytic function,  $x = (x_1, \dots, x_N) \in \mathbb{C}^N$  with an isolated singularity at x = 0 of the multiplicity n, i.e.,  $df|_{x=0} = 0$ .

$$\mathcal{A} := \mathbb{C}[x_1, \cdots, x_N] / (\frac{\partial f}{\partial x_1}, \cdots, \frac{\partial f}{\partial x_N}), \quad \dim \mathcal{A} = n$$

primary observables  $\leftrightarrow \phi_1 = 1, \phi_2(x), \cdots, \phi_n(x) \in \mathcal{A}$ 

$$\langle \phi(x), \psi(x) \rangle := \frac{1}{(2\pi i)^N} \int_{\cap |\frac{\partial f}{\partial x_i}| = \epsilon} \frac{\phi(x)\psi(x)}{\frac{\partial f}{\partial x_1} \cdots \frac{\partial f}{\partial x_N}} d^N x$$

Claim:  $(A, \langle , \rangle, \phi_1, \cdot)$  is a Frobenius algebra.

Next, they consider a particular topological perturbation, which preserves the topological invariance:

$$S \mapsto \tilde{S}(t) := S - \sum_{\alpha=1}^{n} t^{\alpha} \int_{\Sigma} \Omega$$

$$\langle \phi_{\alpha}(x)\phi_{\beta}(y)\cdots\rangle(t)\equiv\int [d\phi]\phi_{\alpha}(x)\phi_{\beta}(y)\cdots e^{-\tilde{S}(t)}$$

**Theorem**. [WDVV,1991] The perturbed Frobenius algebra  $A_t$  satisfies WDVV equations of associativity

$$\frac{\partial^3 F}{\partial t^\alpha \partial t^\beta \partial t^\lambda} \eta^{\lambda\mu} \frac{\partial^3 F}{\partial t^\mu \partial t^\delta \partial t^\gamma} = \frac{\partial^3 F}{\partial t^\delta \partial t^\beta \partial t^\lambda} \eta^{\lambda\mu} \frac{\partial^3 F}{\partial t^\mu \partial t^\alpha \partial t^\gamma},$$

with a quasihomogeneity condition

$$\mathcal{L}_E F = (3-d)F + \text{quadratic polynomial in t}$$

where

$$E = t^1 \partial_1 + \text{linear in } t^2, \cdots, t^n$$

is Euler vector field and  $\phi_1$  is unit,

$$\eta_{\alpha\beta} = \langle \phi_{\alpha}\phi_{\beta}\rangle_{0}(t) = \text{const.}, \quad \langle \phi_{\alpha}\phi_{\beta}\phi_{\gamma}\rangle_{0}(t) = \frac{\partial^{3}F}{\partial t^{\alpha}\partial t^{\beta}\partial t^{\gamma}}$$

for some function F(t), called primary free energy.

[B.Dubrovin's idea,1992]: Add the above statement [WDVV] as a new axiom of 2D TFT. That is to say, to reconstruct the building of 2D TFT on the base of WDVV equations.

**Example A'**. Frobenius algebra  $A_t$ : quantum cohomology of X

$$t = (t', t''), t' \in H^2(X)/2\pi i H^2(X, \mathbb{Z}), t'' \in H^{*\neq 2}(X)$$

The primary energy F(t) is the generating function of the genus 0 Gromov-Witten invariants.

Particularly,  $X = \mathbb{CP}^1$ ,

Quantum cohomology of  $\mathbb{CP}^1 = \mathbb{C}[\phi]/(\phi_2 = e^{t^2})$ 

$$F(t) = \frac{1}{2}(t^1)^2(t^2) + e^{t^2}, E = t^1\partial_1 + 2\partial_2, e = \partial_1.$$

**Example B'**. Set  $f_t(x) = f(x) + \sum_{\alpha=1}^n s^{\alpha}(t)\phi_{\alpha}(x)$ , then the deformed Frobenius algebra  $\mathcal{A}_t$  is

$$A_t := \mathbb{C}[x_1, \cdots, x_N] / (\frac{\partial f_t}{\partial x_1}, \cdots, \frac{\partial f_t}{\partial x_N})$$

primary observables  $\leftrightarrow$  elements of the Jacobi ring  ${\mathcal A}$ 

$$\langle \phi(x), \psi(x) \rangle \equiv \eta_{ij}(t) := \frac{1}{(2\pi i)^N} \int_{\cap |\frac{\partial f_t}{\partial x_i}| = \epsilon} \frac{\phi(x)\psi(x)}{\frac{\partial f_t}{\partial x_1} \cdots \frac{\partial f_t}{\partial x_N}} d^N x$$

Particularly,  $f(x) = x^{n+1}$ 

The simple singularity of type  $A_n$ ,  $\mathcal{A} = \mathbb{C}[x]/(x^n)$ .

## §2. Definitions and Examples

Back to the main problem: we have a family of Frobenius algebras  $A_t$  depending on the parameters  $t = (t^1, \dots, t^n)$ . Write

$$M =$$
the space of parameters

and we have a fiber bundle

$$t \in M$$

**The basic idea** is to identify this fiber bundle with the tangent bundle TM of the manifold M.

**Definition**. A Frobenius structure of charge d on M is the data  $(M, \bullet, \langle, \rangle, e, E)$  satisfying

- (i)  $\eta := \langle \ , \ \rangle$  is a flat pseudo-Riemannian metric and  $\nabla e = 0$ ;
- (ii)  $(T_m M, \bullet, \eta, e)$  is a Frobenius algebra which depends smoothly on  $m \in M$ ;
- (iii)  $(\nabla_w c)(x, y, z)$  is symmetric, where  $c(x, y, z) := \langle x \bullet y, z \rangle$ ;
- (iv) A linear vector field  $E \in Vect(M)$  must be fixed on M, i.e.  $\nabla \nabla E = 0$  such that

$$\mathcal{L}_{E}\langle \; , \; \rangle = (2-d)\langle \; , \; \rangle, \quad \mathcal{L}_{E} \bullet = \bullet, \quad \mathcal{L}_{E} \; e = -e.$$

**Theorem**. [B.Dubrovin 1992] There is a one to one correspondence between a Frobenius manifold and the solution  $F(\mathbf{t})$  of WDVV equations of associativity

$$\frac{\partial^3 F}{\partial t^\alpha \partial t^\beta \partial t^\lambda} \eta^{\lambda\mu} \frac{\partial^3 F}{\partial t^\mu \partial t^\delta \partial t^\gamma} = \frac{\partial^3 F}{\partial t^\delta \partial t^\beta \partial t^\lambda} \eta^{\lambda\mu} \frac{\partial^3 F}{\partial t^\mu \partial t^\alpha \partial t^\gamma},$$

with a quasihomogeneity condition

$$\mathcal{L}_E F = (3-d)F + \text{quadratic polynomial in t.}$$

**Definition**. A Frobenius manifold is called semisimple if the algebra  $(T_m M, \bullet)$  are semisimple at generic m.



Main mathematical applications of Frobenius manifolds

- ★ The theory of Gromov Witten invariants,
- ★ Singularity theory,
- ★ Hamiltonian theory of integrable hierarchies,
- ★ Differential geometry of the orbit spaces of reflection groups and of their extensions → semisimple Frobenius manifolds.

**Definition**. An intersection form of Frobenius manifold is a symmetric bilinear form on the cotangent bundle  $T^*M$  defined by

$$(\omega_1,\omega_2)^*=i_E(\omega_1\cdot\omega_2),\quad \omega_1,\omega_2\in T^*M.$$

Here the multiplication law on the cotangent planes is defined using the isomorphism

$$\langle \ , \ \rangle : TM \to T^*M.$$

The discriminant  $\Sigma$  is defined by

$$\Sigma = \{t | \det(\ ,\ )|_{\mathcal{T}_t^*M} = 0\} \subset M.$$



## Theorem. [B.Dubrovin 1992]

The metrics  $\eta := \langle \ , \ \rangle$  and  $g := (\ , \ )^*$  form a flat pencil on  $M \backslash \Sigma$ , i.e.,

- 1. The metric  $\mathbf{h}^{\alpha\beta}=\eta^{\alpha\beta}+\lambda\mathbf{g}^{\alpha\beta}$  is flat for arbitrary  $\lambda$  and
- 2. The Levi-Civita connection for the metric  $h^{\alpha\beta}$  has the form

$$\Gamma^{\alpha\beta}_{\delta_{(h)}} = \Gamma^{\alpha\beta}_{k_{(\eta)}} + \lambda \Gamma^{\alpha\beta}_{k_{(g)}},$$

$$\textit{where } \Gamma^{\alpha\beta}_{\delta_{(h)}} = -\textit{h}^{\alpha\gamma}\Gamma^{\beta}_{\delta\gamma_{(h)}} \text{, } \Gamma^{\alpha\beta}_{\delta_{(g)}} = -\textit{g}^{\alpha\gamma}\Gamma^{\beta}_{\delta\gamma_{(g)}} \text{, } \Gamma^{\alpha\beta}_{\delta_{(\eta)}} = -\eta^{\alpha\gamma}\Gamma^{\beta}_{\delta\gamma_{(\eta)}}.$$

The holonomy of the local Euclidean structure defined on  $M\setminus \Sigma$  by the intersection form  $(\ ,\ )^*$  gives a representation

$$\mu: \pi_1(M \setminus \Sigma) \to Isometries(\mathbb{C}^n).$$

**Definition**. The group

$$W(M) := \mu(\pi_1(M \setminus \Sigma)) \subset \mathit{Isometries}(\mathbb{C}^n)$$

is called a monodromy group of Frobenius manifold.

$$\Longrightarrow$$
  $M \setminus \Sigma = \Omega/W(M), \quad \Omega \subset \mathbb{C}^n.$ 

**[B.Dubrovin's conjecture]** The monodromy group is a discrete group for a solution of WDVV equations with good properties.



**Example**. [W(M)=Coxeter group  $A_1]$  n=1,  $M=\mathbb{R}$ ,  $t=t^1$ ,

$$F(t) = \frac{1}{6}t^3$$
,  $E = t\partial_t$ ,  $e = \partial_t$ ,  $\eta^{11} = \langle \partial_t, \partial_t \rangle = 1$ .

→ dispersionless KdV hierarchy → Witten Conjecture.

**Example**. [W(M)=extended affine Weyl group  $\widetilde{W}(A_1)]$  Quantum cohomology of  $\mathbb{CP}^1$ :

$$F = \frac{1}{2}(t^1)^2t^2 + e^{t^2}, E = t^1\partial_1 + 2\partial_2, e = \partial_1.$$

→ dispersionless extended Toda hierarchy → Toda Conjecture.

**Question 1**. Given a Frobenius manifold, how to find the monodromy group? (Some cases can be computed).

**Question 2**. Which kind of groups can be served as the monodromy groups of some Frobenius manifolds?

- Coxeter groups [B.Dubrovin1996]
- ♣ Extended affine Weyl groups [B.Dubrovin Youjin Zhang 1996] [Dubrovin-Zhang-Zuo 2005,general], [2007,new cases] For the general case of type *E*, still open?
- ♣ Jacobi forms  $J(A_n)$ ,  $J(B_n)$ ,  $J(G_2)$  [n=1, B.Dubrovin 1996, general n, M.Bertola 2000],  $J(E_6)$ ,  $J(D_4)$  [Satake.I 1993, 1998] Open for the rest?
- Elliptic Weyl groups [Satake.I 2006, math.AG/0611553]



 $\S 3$  Frobenius manifolds and Coxeter groups

Let W be a finite irreducible Coxeter group.

$$W \curvearrowright V \qquad \rightsquigarrow \qquad W \curvearrowright S(V)$$

[Chevalley Theorem]. The ring  $S(V)^W$  of W-invariant polynomial functions on V

$$\mathbb{C}[x_1,\cdots,x_n]^W\simeq\mathbb{C}[y^1,\cdots,y^n],$$

where  $y^i = y^i(x_1, \dots, x_n)$  are certain homogeneous W-invariant polynomials of degree  $\deg y^i = d_i, \ i = 1, \dots, n$ .

The maximal degree h is called the Coxeter number. We use the ordering of the invariant polynomials

$$\deg y^n = d_n = h > d_{n-1} > \cdots > d_1 = 2.$$

The degrees satisfy the duality condition

$$d_i + d_{n-i+1} = h + 2, \quad i = 1, \dots, n.$$

$$W \curvearrowright V \qquad \rightsquigarrow \qquad W \curvearrowright V \otimes \mathbb{C}$$

$$\mathcal{M} = V \otimes \mathbb{C}/W$$
 affine algebraic variety

$$S(V)^W$$
 the coordinate ring of  $\mathcal{M}$ 

$$V \rightsquigarrow \text{flat manifold} \quad (V, \{x_1, \dots, x_n\}, (dx_a, dx_b)^* = \delta_{ab})$$

$$\rightsquigarrow (\mathcal{M} \setminus \Sigma, g^{ij}(y))$$

$$g^{ij}(y) := (dy^i, dy^j)^* = \sum_{a,b=1}^n \frac{\partial y^i}{\partial x_a} \frac{\partial y^j}{\partial x_b} \delta_{ab}$$

## Lemma.[K.Saito etc 1980]

- 1. The metric  $(g^{ij}(y))$  is flat on  $\mathcal{M} \setminus \Sigma$ .
- 2. These  $g^{ij}(y)$  are at most linear w.r.t  $y^n$ .

Write

$$e:=\frac{\partial}{\partial y^n}.$$

Introduce a new metric,

$$\eta^{ij}(y) := \langle dy^i, dy^j \rangle = \mathcal{L}_{e}g^{ij}(y) = \frac{\partial g^{ij}(y)}{\partial y^n}.$$

Theorem. [K.Saito etc. 1980, B.Dubrovin 1992]

The metrics  $\langle \ , \ \rangle$  and  $(\ , \ )^*$  form a flat pencil of metrics. Moreover, there exist homogeneous polynomials

$$t^1(x), \cdots, t^n(x)$$

of degrees  $d_1, \dots, d_n$  respectively such that the matrix

$$\langle dt^i, dt^j \rangle := \eta^{ij} = \frac{\partial g^{ij}(t)}{\partial t^n}$$

is a constant nondegenerate matrix.

**Theorem.**[B.Dubrovin, 1992] There exists a unique Frobenius structure of charge  $d=1-\frac{2}{h}$  on the orbit space  $\mathcal M$  polynomial in  $t^1,t^2,\cdots,t^n$  such that

- 1. The unity vector field e coincides with  $\frac{\partial}{\partial y^n} = \frac{\partial}{\partial t^n}$ ;
- 2. The Euler vector field has the form

$$E = \sum_{\alpha=1}^{n} d_{\alpha} t^{\alpha} \frac{\partial}{\partial t^{\alpha}}.$$

**Theorem.** [B.Dubrovin's conjecture, 1996. C.Hertling, 1999] Any irreducible semisimple polynomial Frobenius manifold with positive invariant degrees is isomorphic to the orbit space of a finite Coxeter group.

## Our question and result I

**Lemma.** [M.Bertola, 1998] For  $B_n$  and  $1 \le k \le n$ ,

- 1. These  $g^{ij}(y)$  are at most linear w.r.t  $y^k$
- 2. The space  $\mathcal M$  carries a flat pencil of metrics

$$g^{ij}(y)$$
 and  $\eta^{ij}(y) = \frac{\partial g^{ij}(y)}{\partial y^k}$ . (0.1)

**Question**: If  $k \neq n$ , how to construct the flat coordinates of  $\eta^{ij}(y)$  and the corresponding Frobenius manifolds?

### M.Bertola's results (unpublished 1999)

M.Bertola started from the superpotential

$$\lambda(p) = p^{-2(n-k)} \left( \sum_{a=1}^{n} p^{2(n-a)} y_a + p^{2n} \right)$$

to compute the corresponding potential F(t) and obtained n different Frobenius structures related to  $B_n$ . For example,

$$\eta(\partial',\partial'') = -\sum_{|\lambda|<\infty} \mathit{res}_{d\lambda=0} \frac{\partial'(\lambda(p)dp)\partial''(\lambda(p)dp)}{d\lambda(p)},$$

#### Our construction is different.

We started from the flat pencil of metrics.

The first step is to construct the flat coordinate  $t^1, \dots, t^n$ .

The second step is to show that  $g^{ij}(t)$  and the  $\Gamma_m^{ij}(t)$  are weighted homogeneous polynomials of  $t^1, \ldots, t^n, \frac{1}{t^n}$ .

The last step is to get the Frobenius structure.

Write

$$\tilde{d}_j = \frac{j}{k}, \quad j \leq k, \quad \tilde{d}_m = \frac{2k(n-m)+l}{2k(n-k)}, \quad m > k.$$

**Main Theorem.**[Zuo IMRN-2007] For any fixed integer  $1 \le k \le n$ , there exists a unique Frobenius structure of charge  $d = 1 - \frac{1}{k}$  on the orbit space  $\mathcal{M} \setminus \{t^n = 0\}$  of  $B_n$  (or  $D_n$ ) polynomial in  $t^1, t^2, \dots, t^n, \frac{1}{t^n}$  such that

- 1. The unity vector field e coincides with  $\frac{\partial}{\partial y^k} = \frac{\partial}{\partial t^k}$ ;
- 2. The Euler vector field has the form

$$E = \sum_{\alpha=1}^{n} \tilde{d}_{\alpha} t^{\alpha} \frac{\partial}{\partial t^{\alpha}}.$$

**Theorem.** [Zuo IMRN-2007] *There is an isomorphism between them.* 



Motived by James T.Ferguson and I.A.B. Strachan' work, Logarithmic deformations of the rational superpotential/Landau-Ginzburg constructions of solutions of the WDVV equations, arXiv:Math-ph/0605078 we consider a water-bag reduction as follows

$$\lambda(p) = p^{-2(n-k)} \left( \sum_{a=1}^{n} p^{2(n-a)} y_a + p^{2n} \right) + \sum_{i=1}^{M} k_i \log(p^2 - b_i^2).$$

Remark. Don't determine a full Frobenius manifold because of the nonexistence of E.

**Theorem.** [Zuo IMRN-2007] The prepotential F is at most quadratic in the parameters  $k_{\alpha}$ , that is, up to quadratic terms in the flat coordinates

$$F(\mathbf{t},\mathbf{b}) = F^{(0)}(\mathbf{t}) + \sum_{\alpha=1}^{M} k_{\alpha} F^{(1)}(\mathbf{t},b_{\alpha}) + \sum_{\alpha\neq\beta}^{M} k_{\alpha} k_{\beta} F^{(2)}(b_{\alpha},b_{\beta}),$$

where  $\mathbf{t} = (t_1, \dots, t_l)$  and  $\mathbf{b} = (b_1, \dots, b_M)$ . Here  $F^{(0)}$  is the potential associated to  $B_n$   $(D_n)$  and

$$\begin{split} F^{(2)}(b_{\alpha},b_{\beta}) &= \frac{1}{2}(b_{\alpha}-b_{\beta})^{2} \log(b_{\alpha}-b_{\beta})^{2} + \frac{1}{2}(b_{\alpha}+b_{\beta})^{2} \log(b_{\alpha}+b_{\beta})^{2}, \\ \deg F &= \deg F^{(0)} = 4K+2, \ \deg F^{(1)} = 2K+2, \ \deg F^{(2)} = 2. \end{split}$$

### §4. Frobenius manifolds and Extended affine Weyl groups

**Motivation.** Quantum cohomology of  $\mathbb{P}^1$ :

$$F = \frac{1}{2}t_1^2t_2 + e^{t_2}, E = t_1\partial_1 + 2\partial_2, e = \partial_1, W(M) = \widetilde{W}(A_1)$$

**Question**: How to construct this kind of Frobenius manifolds? That is,

$$F = F(t_1, \cdots, t_n, t_{n+1}, e^{t_{n+1}})$$

$$E = \sum_{\alpha=1}^{n} d_{\alpha} t_{\alpha} \partial_{\alpha} + d_{n+1} \partial_{n+1}.$$

#### **Notations**

Let R be an irreducible reduced root system defined on (V, (, )).

 $\{\alpha_j\}$ : a basis of simple roots,  $\{\alpha_j^{\vee}\}$ : the corresponding coroots.

W Weyl group,  $W_a(R)$  affine Weyl group (the semi-direct product of W by the lattice of coroots)

 $W_a(R) \curvearrowright V$ : affine transformations

$$\mathbf{x} \mapsto w(\mathbf{x}) + \sum_{j=1}^{I} m_j \alpha_j^{\vee}, \quad w \in W, \ m_j \in \mathbb{Z}.$$

 $\omega_j$ : the fundamental weights,  $(\omega_i, lpha_j^ee) = \delta_{ij}$ 

## Definition. [B. Dubrovin, Y. Zhang 1998]

The extended affine Weyl group  $\widetilde{W}=\widetilde{W}^{(k)}(R)$  acts on the extended space

$$\widetilde{V} = V \oplus \mathbb{R}$$

and is generated by the transformations

$$x = (\mathbf{x}, x_{l+1}) \mapsto (w(\mathbf{x}) + \sum_{j=1}^{l} m_j \alpha_j^{\vee}, x_{l+1}), \quad w \in W, m_j \in \mathbb{Z},$$

and

$$x = (\mathbf{x}, x_{l+1}) \mapsto (\mathbf{x} + \gamma \omega_k, x_{l+1} - \gamma).$$

Here  $\gamma = 1$  except for the cases when  $R = B_I$ , k = I and  $R = F_4$ , k = 3 or k = 4, in these three cases  $\gamma = 2$ .

## Definition.[B.Dubrovin, Y.Zhang 1998]

 $\mathcal{A} = \mathcal{A}^{(k)}(R)$  is the ring of all  $\widetilde{W}$ -invariant Fourier polynomials of the form

$$\sum_{m_1,...,m_{l+1}\in\mathbb{Z}}a_{m_1,...,m_{l+1}}e^{2\pi i(m_1x_1+\cdots+m_lx_l+\frac{1}{f}\,m_{l+1}x_{l+1})}$$

that are bounded in the limit

$$\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{x}^0 - i \ \omega_k \tau, \quad x_{l+1} = x_{l+1}^0 + i \ \tau, \quad \tau \to +\infty$$

for any  $x^0 = (\mathbf{x}^0, x_{l+1}^0)$ , where f is the determinant of the Cartan matrix of the root system R.

We introduce a set of numbers

$$d_j = (\omega_j, \omega_k), \quad j = 1, \ldots, I$$

and define the following Fourier polynomials

$$\widetilde{y}_j(x) = e^{2\pi i d_j x_{l+1}} y_j(\mathbf{x}), \quad j = 1, \dots, l,$$

$$\widetilde{y}_{l+1}(x) = e^{\frac{2\pi i}{\gamma} x_{l+1}}.$$

Here

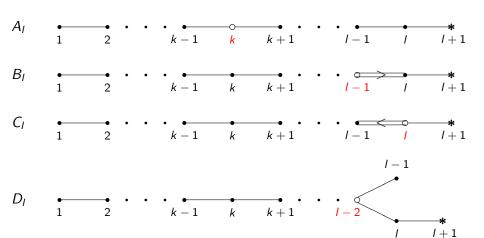
$$y_j(\mathbf{x}) = \frac{1}{n_j} \sum_{w \in W} e^{2\pi i (\omega_j, w(\mathbf{x}))},$$
  
$$n_i = \#\{ w \in W | e^{2\pi i (\omega_j, w(\mathbf{x}))} = e^{2\pi i (\omega_j, \mathbf{x})} \}.$$

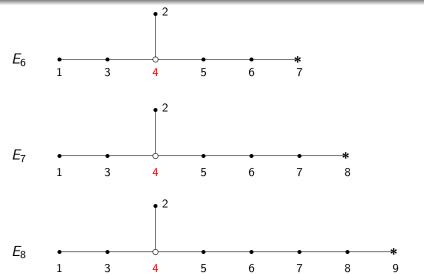
- B.Dubrovin and Y.Zhang considered a particular choice of  $\alpha_k$  based on the following observations
- 1. The Dynkin graph of  $R_k := \{\alpha_1, \dots, \hat{\alpha_k}, \cdot, \alpha_l\}$  ( $\alpha_k$  is omitted) consists of 1, 2 or 3 branches of  $A_r$  type for some r.
  - 2.  $d_k > d_s, s \neq k$ .

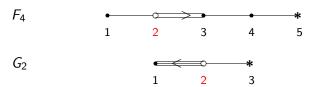
**Chevalley-Type Theorem** [B.Dubrovin, Y.Zhang 1998]

For the above particluar choice of  $\alpha_k$ ,

$$\mathcal{A}^{(k)}(R) \simeq \mathbb{C}[\tilde{y}_1, \cdots, \tilde{y}_{l+1}].$$







 $\mathcal{M} = \operatorname{Spec} \mathcal{A}$ : the orbit space of  $\widetilde{W}^{(k)}(R)$  global coordinates on  $\mathcal{M}$ :  $\{\widetilde{y}_1(x), \cdots, \widetilde{y}_{l+1}(x)\}$  local coordinates on  $\mathcal{M}$ :

$$y^1 = \tilde{y}_1, \dots, y^l = \tilde{y}_l, \ y^{l+1} = \log \tilde{y}_{l+1} = 2\pi i \, x_{l+1}.$$

the metric 
$$(\ ,\ )^{\sim}$$
 on  $\widetilde{V}=V\oplus\mathbb{C}$   $(dx_a,dx_b)^{\sim}=rac{1}{4\pi^2}(\omega_a,\omega_b),$ 

$$\left(dx_{l+1},dx_{a}\right)^{\sim}=0, \qquad 1\leq a,\ b\leq l,$$

$$(dx_{l+1}, dx_{l+1})^{\sim} = -\frac{1}{4\pi^2(\omega_k, \omega_k)} = -\frac{1}{4\pi^2 d_k}$$

$$\rightsquigarrow (\mathcal{M} \setminus \Sigma, g^{ij}(y)),$$

$$g^{ij}(y) := (dy^i, dy^j)^{\sim} = \sum_{a,b=1}^{l+1} \frac{\partial y^i}{\partial x^a} \frac{\partial y^j}{\partial x^b} (dx^a, dx^b)^{\sim}. \tag{0.2}$$

**Claim**: $g^{ij}(y)$  is flat. Moreover for the particular choice,  $g^{ij}(y)$  are at most linear w.r.t  $y^k$ .

$$ightsquigarrow \eta^{ij}(y) = \mathcal{L}_{e}g^{ij}(y) = rac{\partial g^{ij}(y)}{\partial y^{k}}, \quad e := rac{\partial}{\partial y^{k}}.$$

## Theorem. [B.Dubrovin, Y.Zhang 1998]

For the particular choice of  $\alpha_k$ ,  $\eta^{ij}(y)$  and  $g^{ij}(y)$  form a flat pencil. Moreover there exists a unique Frobenius structure on the orbit space  $\mathcal{M} = \mathcal{M}(R,k)$  polynomial in  $t^1,\ldots,t^l,e^{t^{l+1}}$  such that

- 1. the unity vector field coincides with  $\frac{\partial}{\partial y^k} = \frac{\partial}{\partial t^k}$ ;
- 2. the Euler vector field has the form

$$E = \frac{1}{2\pi i d_k} \frac{\partial}{\partial x_{l+1}} = \sum_{\alpha=1}^{l} \frac{d_{\alpha}}{d_k} t^{\alpha} \frac{\partial}{\partial t^{\alpha}} + \frac{1}{d_k} \frac{\partial}{\partial t^{l+1}}.$$

3. The intersection form of the Frobenius structure coincides with the metric  $(\ ,\ )^{\sim}$  on  $\mathcal{M}.$ 

## **Theorem**.[P.Slodowy 1998,Preprint but unpublished]

The ring  $A^{(k)}(R)$  is isomorphic to the ring of polynomials of  $\tilde{y}_1(x), \dots, \tilde{y}_{l+1}(x)$  for arbitrary choice.

## Another proof [B.Dubrovin, Y.Zhang and D.Zuo 2006]

We give an alternative proof of Chevelly-Type theorem associated to the root system  $B_1$ ,  $C_1$ ,  $D_1$ ,  $(F_4, G_2)$ .

#### Our question and result—II

An natural question: [P.Slodowy, B.Dubrovin and Y.Zhang 1998]

Is whether the geometric structures that were revealed in the above for particular choice also exist on the orbit spaces of the extended affine Weyl groups for an arbitrary choice of  $\alpha_k$ ?

**Difficulty**:  $d_k$  will be not the maximal number except the particular choice.

- 1. Note that the  $g^{ij}(y)$  may be not linear with respect to  $y^k$ . Thus if we define  $\eta^{ij}(y) = \frac{\partial g^{ij}(y)}{\partial y^k}$  as before, we can not obtain the flat pencil.
- 2. If we can obtain a flat pencil, how to find flat coordinates and construct Frobenius manifolds?

For the question 1, our strategy is to change the unity vector field.

**Main theorem 1.** For any fixed integer  $0 \le m \le l - k$  there is a flat pencil of metrics  $(g^{ij}(y)), (\eta^{ij}(y))$  (bilinear forms on  $T^*M$ ) with  $(g^{ij}(y))$  given by  $(\ref{eq:model})$  and  $\eta^{ij}(y) = \mathcal{L}_e g^{ij}(y)$  on the orbit space  $\mathcal{M}$  of  $\widetilde{W}^{(k)}(C_l)$ . Here the unity vector field

$$e := \sum_{j=k}^{I} a_j \frac{\partial}{\partial y^j}$$

is defined by the generating function

$$\sum_{j=k}^{l} a_j u^{l-j} = (u+2)^m (u-2)^{l-k-m}$$

for the constants  $a_k, \ldots, a_l$ .

For the question 2, it is very technical.

**Main theorem 2.** In the flat coordinates  $t^1, \ldots, t^{l+1}$ , the nonzero entries of the matrix  $(\eta^{ij})$  are given by

$$\eta^{ij} = \begin{cases} k, & j = k-i, & 1 \leq i \leq k-1, \\ 1, & i = l+1, j = k & \text{or } i = k, \ j = l+1, \\ C, & j = l-m+k-i+1, \ k+2 \leq i \leq l-m-1, \\ 2, & i = l-m, j = k+1 & \text{or } i = k+1, \ j = l-m, \\ 4m, & j = 2l-m-i+1, & l-m+2 \leq i \leq l-1, \\ 2, & i = l, j = l-m+1 & \text{or } i = l-m+1, \ j = l, \end{cases}$$

where C=4(l-m-k). The entries of the matrix  $(g^{ij}(t))$  and the Christoffel symbols  $\Gamma_m^{ij}(t)$  are weighted homogeneous polynomials in  $t^1, \ldots, t^l, \frac{1}{t^{l-m}}, \frac{1}{t^l}, e^{t^{l+1}}$ .

**Main theorem 3.** For any fixed integer  $0 \le m \le l-k$ , there exists a unique Frobenius structure of charge d=1 on the orbit space  $\mathcal{M} \setminus \{t^{l-m}=0\} \cup \{t^l=0\}$  of  $\widetilde{W}^{(k)}(C_l)$  weighted homogeneous polynomial in  $t^1, t^2, \cdots, t^l, \frac{1}{t^{l-m}}, \frac{1}{t^l}, e^{t^{l+1}}$  such that

- 1. The unity vector field e coincides with  $\sum_{j=k}^{r} a_j \frac{\partial}{\partial y^j} = \frac{\partial}{\partial t^k}$ ;
- 2. The Euler vector field has the form

$$E = \sum_{\alpha=1}^{l} \tilde{d}_{\alpha} t^{\alpha} \frac{\partial}{\partial t^{\alpha}} + \frac{\partial}{\partial t^{l+1}}$$

3. The intersection form of the Frobenius structure coincides with the metric  $(g^{ij}(t))$ .

**Main theorem 4.** The Frobenius manifold structures that we obtain in this way from  $B_l$  and  $D_l$ , by fixing the k-th vertex of the corresponding Dynkin diagram, are isomorphic to the one that we obtain from  $C_l$  by choosing the k-th vertex of the Dynkin diagram of  $C_l$ .

**Example.**  $[C_5, k = 1, m = 2]$ Let R be the root system of type  $C_5$ , take k = 1, m = 2, then

$$F = \frac{1}{2} t_{6} t_{1}^{2} + \frac{1}{2} t_{1} t_{2} t_{3} + \frac{1}{2} t_{1} t_{4} t_{5} - \frac{1}{72} t_{3}^{4} t_{5}^{4} - \frac{1}{8} t_{2} t_{3} t_{4} t_{5}$$

$$- \frac{1}{2268} t_{5}^{8} - \frac{1}{36288} t_{3}^{8} - \frac{1}{48} t_{3}^{2} t_{2}^{2} - \frac{1}{48} t_{4}^{2} t_{5}^{2} + \frac{1}{24} t_{5}^{4} t_{2} t_{3}$$

$$+ \frac{1}{96} t_{3}^{4} t_{4} t_{5} + \frac{1}{1440} t_{3}^{5} t_{2} + \frac{1}{360} t_{4} t_{5}^{5} + t_{2} t_{3} e^{t_{6}} - t_{4} t_{5} e^{t_{6}}$$

$$- \frac{2}{3} t_{5}^{4} e^{t_{6}} + \frac{1}{6} t_{3}^{4} e^{t_{6}} + \frac{1}{2} e^{2t_{6}} + \frac{1}{48} \frac{t_{2}^{3}}{t_{3}} + \frac{1}{192} \frac{t_{4}^{3}}{t_{5}}.$$

The Euler vector field is given by

$$E = t_1 \partial_1 + \frac{3}{4} t_2 \partial_2 + \frac{1}{4} t_3 \partial_3 + \frac{3}{4} t_4 \partial_4 + \frac{1}{4} t_5 \partial_5 + \partial_6.$$

#### §5. Recent developments

**Theorem.**[2007] For any fixed integer  $1 \leq k < l$ , there exists a unique Frobenius structure of charge d=1 on the orbit space  $\mathcal{M}^{k,2}$  of  $\widetilde{W}^{k,2}(A_l)$  such that the potential  $F(t) = \widetilde{F}(t) + \frac{1}{2}(t^{k+1})^2 \log(t^{k+1})$ , where  $\widetilde{F}(t)$  is a weighted homogeneous polynomial in  $t^1, t^2, \cdots, t^l, e^{t^{l+1}}, e^{t^{l+2}-t^{l+1}}$ , satisfying

- 1. The unity vector field e coincides with  $\frac{\partial}{\partial y^{k+1}} + e^{ky^{l+1}} \frac{\partial}{\partial y^k} = \frac{\partial}{\partial t^k}$ ;
- 2. The Euler vector field has the form

$$E = \sum_{\alpha=1}^{l} \tilde{d}_{\alpha} t^{\alpha} \frac{\partial}{\partial t^{\alpha}} + \frac{1}{k} \frac{\partial}{\partial t^{l+1}} + \frac{l}{k(l-k)} \frac{\partial}{\partial t^{l+2}}.$$

$$A_{l} \xrightarrow{*} \underbrace{\phantom{*} \cdot \cdot \cdot \bullet}_{l+2} \underbrace{\phantom{*} \cdot \cdot \bullet}_{k-1} \underbrace{\phantom{*} \cdot \cdot \bullet}_{k} \underbrace{\phantom{*} \cdot \cdot \bullet}_{k+1} \underbrace{\phantom{*} \cdot \cdot \bullet}_{l+2} \underbrace{\phantom{*} \cdot \cdot \bullet}_{l-1} \underbrace{\phantom{*} \cdot \cdot \bullet}_{l+1}$$

# **Thanks**

#### Appendix. Main techniques to obtain flat coordinates

The first step:  $y \rightarrow \tau$ 

$$\sum_{j=0}^{l} \theta^{j} u^{l-j} = \sum_{j=0}^{l-m} \varpi^{j} (u+2)^{m} (u-2)^{l-m-j}$$
$$-\sum_{j=l-m+1}^{l} \varpi^{j} (u+2)^{l-j} (u-2)^{j-k-1}.$$

where

$$\theta^{j} = \begin{cases} e^{k y^{l+1}}, & j = 0, \\ y^{j} e^{(k-j)y^{l+1}}, & \varpi^{j} = \begin{cases} e^{k \tau^{l+1}}, & j = 0, \\ \tau^{j} e^{(k-j)\tau^{l+1}}, & j = 1, \dots, k-1, \\ \tau^{j}, & j = k, \dots, l. \end{cases}$$

#### The second step: $\tau \rightarrow z$

$$z^{l+1} = \tau^{l+1}, \ z^{j} = \tau^{j} + p_{j}(\tau^{1}, \dots, \tau^{j-1}, e^{\tau^{l+1}}), \ 1 \leq j \leq k,$$

$$z^{j} = \tau^{j} + \sum_{s=j+1}^{l-m} c_{s}^{j} \tau^{s}, \quad k+1 \leq j \leq l-k-m,$$

$$z^{j} = \tau^{j} + \sum_{s=j+1}^{l} h_{s}^{j} \tau^{s}, \quad l-k-m+1 \leq j \leq l,$$

where  $p_j$  are some weighted homegeoneous polynomials and  $c_s^j$  and  $h_s^j$  are determined by the following function respectively

$$\cosh\left(\frac{\sqrt{t}}{2}\right)\left(\frac{2\sinh\left(\frac{\sqrt{t}}{2}\right)}{\sqrt{t}}\right)^{2i-1},\quad \left(\frac{\tanh(\sqrt{t})}{\sqrt{t}}\right)^{2i-1}.$$

#### The third step: $z \rightarrow w$

$$\begin{split} w^{i} &= z^{i}, \quad i = 1, \dots, k, \ l+1, \\ w^{k+1} &= z^{k+1} (z^{l-m})^{-\frac{1}{2(l-m-k)}}, \\ w^{s} &= z^{s} (z^{l-m})^{-\frac{s-k}{l-m-k}}, \ s = k+2, \cdots, l-m-1, \\ w^{l-m} &= (z^{l-m})^{\frac{1}{2(l-m-k)}}, \\ w^{l-m+1} &= z^{l-m+1} (z^{l})^{-\frac{1}{2m}}, \\ w^{r} &= z^{r} (z^{l})^{-\frac{r+m-l}{m}}, \ r = l-m+2, \cdots, l-1, \\ w^{l} &= (z^{l})^{\frac{1}{2m}}. \end{split}$$

#### The last step: $w \rightarrow t$

$$t^{1} = w^{1}, \dots, t^{k} = w^{k}, \ t^{l+1} = w^{l+1},$$

$$t^{k+1} = w^{k+1} + w^{l-m} h_{k+1}(w^{k+2}, \dots, w^{l-m-1}),$$

$$t^{j} = w^{l-m}(w^{j} + h_{j}(w^{j+1}, \dots, w^{l-m-1})), \ k+2 \leq j \leq l-m-1,$$

$$t^{l-m+1} = w^{l-m+1} + w^{l} h_{l-m+1}(w^{l-m+2}, \dots, w^{l-1}),$$

$$t^{s} = w^{l}(w^{s} + h_{s}(w^{s+1}, \dots, w^{l-1})), \ l-m+2 \leq s \leq l-1$$

$$t^{l-m} = w^{l-m}, \quad t^{l} = w^{l}.$$

Here  $h_{l-m-1}=h_{l-1}=0$ ,  $h_j$  are weighted homogeneous polynomials of degree  $\frac{k\,(l-m-j)}{l-m-k}$  for  $j=k+1,\ldots,l-m-2$  and  $h_s$  are weighted homogeneous polynomials of degree  $\frac{k\,(l-s)}{m}$  for  $s=l-m+2,\ldots,l-1$ .

Due to the above construction, we can associate the following natural degrees to the flat coordinates

$$\tilde{d}_{j} = \deg t^{j} := \frac{j}{k}, \quad 1 \le j \le k,$$
 $\tilde{d}_{s} = \deg t^{s} := \frac{2l - 2m - 2s + 1}{2(l - m - k)}, \quad k + 1 \le s \le l - m,$ 
 $\tilde{d}_{\alpha} = \deg t^{\alpha} := \frac{2l - 2\alpha + 1}{2m}, \quad l - m + 1 \le \alpha \le l,$ 
 $\tilde{d}_{l+1} = \deg t^{l+1} := 0.$