

Shift operators and toric mirror theorem

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We give a new proof of Givental’s mirror theorem for toric manifolds using shift operators of equivariant parameters. The proof is almost tautological: it gives an A–model construction of the I –function and the mirror map. It also works for noncompact or nonsemipositive toric manifolds.

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1 Introduction

In 1995, Seidel [31] introduced an invertible element of quantum cohomology associated to a Hamiltonian circle action. This has had many applications in symplectic topology. Seidel himself used it to construct nontrivial elements of π_1 of the group of Hamiltonian diffeomorphisms. McDuff and Tolman [26] calculated Seidel’s elements in a more general setting and obtained Batyrev’s ring presentation of quantum cohomology of toric manifolds. Their method, however, does not yield explicit structure constants of quantum cohomology, ie genus-zero Gromov–Witten invariants.

Recently, Braverman, Maulik and Okounkov [4], Maulik and Okounkov [25] and Okounkov and Pandharipande [29] introduced a shift operator of equivariant parameters for equivariant quantum cohomology. Their shift operators reduce to Seidel’s invertible elements under the nonequivariant limit. In this paper, we show that equivariant genus-zero Gromov–Witten invariants of toric manifolds are reconstructed *only from formal properties of shift operators*. This means that the equivariant quantum topology of toric manifolds is determined by its classical counterpart.

More specifically, we give a new proof of Givental’s mirror theorem for toric manifolds, which is stated as follows:

Theorem 1.1 (Givental [14], Lian, Liu and Yau [24], Iritani [19] and Brown [5]; see Section 4.2 for more details) *Let X_Σ be a semiprojective toric manifold having a torus fixed point. Let $I(y, z)$ be the cohomology-valued hypergeometric series defined by*

$$I(y, z) = z e^{\sum_{i=1}^m u_i \log y_i / z} \sum_{d \in \text{Eff}(X_\Sigma)} \left(\prod_{i=1}^m \frac{\prod_{c=-\infty}^0 (u_i + cz)}{\prod_{c=-\infty}^{u_i \cdot d} (u_i + cz)} \right) \mathcal{Q}^d y_1^{u_1 \cdot d} \cdots y_m^{u_m \cdot d},$$

where u_i for $i = 1, \dots, m$ is the class of a prime toric divisor. Then $I(y, -z)$ lies in Givental's Lagrangian cone \mathcal{L}_{X_Σ} associated to X_Σ .

We prove this theorem in the following way. Recall that equivariant genus-zero Gromov–Witten invariants of a T -variety X can be encoded by an infinite-dimensional Lagrangian submanifold \mathcal{L}_X of the symplectic vector space (see Givental [15])

$$\mathcal{H}_X = H_T^*(X) \otimes_{H_T^*(\text{pt})} \text{Frac}(H_T^*(\text{pt})[z]).$$

The space \mathcal{H}_X is called the Givental space and \mathcal{L}_X is called the Givental cone. By the general theory, each \mathbb{C}^\times -subgroup $k: \mathbb{C}^\times \rightarrow T$ defines a shift operator \mathcal{S}_k acting on the Givental space \mathcal{H}_X and induces a vector field on \mathcal{L}_X ,

$$f \mapsto z^{-1} \mathcal{S}_k f \in T_f \mathcal{L}_X.$$

The operator \mathcal{S}_k is determined by T -fixed loci in X and their normal bundles (see Definition 3.13). For toric manifolds, we have a shift operator \mathcal{S}_i for each torus-invariant prime divisor. Then we identify the I -function $I(y, z)$ with an integral curve of the commuting vector fields $f \mapsto z^{-1} \mathcal{S}_i f$.

Theorem 1.2 *Givental's I -function $I(y, z)$ is the unique integral curve which satisfies the differential equation*

$$\frac{\partial I(y, z)}{\partial y_i} = z^{-1} \mathcal{S}_i I(y, z), \quad i = 1, \dots, m,$$

and is of the form $I(y, z) = ze^{\sum_{i=1}^m u_i \log y_i / z} (1 + \sum_{d \in \text{Eff}(X_\Sigma) \setminus \{0\}} I_d Q^d y^d)$, where we set $y^d = \prod_{i=1}^m y_i^{u_i \cdot d}$.

The I -function defines a mirror map $y \mapsto \tau(y) \in H_T^*(X)$ via Birkhoff factorization; see Coates and Givental [8] and Iritani [19]. As a corollary to our proof, we obtain the following relationship between the equivariant Seidel elements $\mathcal{S}_i(\tau)$ and the mirror map. This generalizes a previous result in the semipositive case obtained in joint work with González [16].

Theorem 1.3 *The mirror map $\tau(y)$ associated to the I -function is the unique integral curve which satisfies the differential equation*

$$\frac{\partial \tau(y)}{\partial y_i} = \mathcal{S}_i(\tau(y)), \quad i = 1, \dots, m,$$

and is of the form $\tau(y) = \sum_{i=1}^m u_i \log y_i + \sum_{d \in \text{Eff}(X_\Sigma) \setminus \{0\}} \tau_d Q^d y^d$.

The mirror map and the I -function are related by the formula

$$I(y, z) = zM(\tau(y), z)\Upsilon(y, z),$$

where $M(\tau, z)$ is a fundamental solution for the quantum differential equation (see [Proposition 2.2](#)) and $\Upsilon(y, z)$ is an $H_T^*(X)[z]$ -valued function. We can also characterize $\Upsilon(y, z)$ by the differential equation

$$\frac{\partial \Upsilon(y, z)}{\partial y_i} = [z^{-1}S_i(\tau(y))]_+ \Upsilon(y, z),$$

where $S_i(\tau)$ is the shift operator acting on quantum cohomology. The most technical point in our proof is to show the existence of solutions $\tau(y)$ and $\Upsilon(y, z)$ with prescribed asymptotics (see [Proposition 4.7](#)).

Since we do not assume that $c_1(X_\Sigma)$ is nef, the mirror map $\tau(y)$ does not necessarily lie in $H_T^{\leq 2}(X)$. For this reason, we need to generalize shift operators to big quantum cohomology. We also observe that shift operators are closely related to the $\widehat{\Gamma}$ -integral structure introduced by Coates, Iritani and Jiang [9], Iritani [20] and Katzarkov, Kontsevich and Pantev [22]. We show that a flat section of the quantum connection associated to an equivariant vector bundle in the formalism of $\widehat{\Gamma}$ -integral structure is invariant under shift operators ([Proposition 3.18](#)).

This paper is structured as follows. In [Section 2](#), we review equivariant quantum cohomology and in [Section 3](#), we study shift operators for big quantum cohomology. In [Section 4](#), we prove a mirror theorem for toric manifolds.

1.1 Notation

Unless otherwise stated, we consider cohomology groups with complex coefficients. We use the following notation throughout the paper:

- $T \cong (\mathbb{C}^\times)^m$ is an algebraic torus;
- X is a smooth T -variety; X_Σ is a smooth toric variety associated to a fan Σ ;
- $\widehat{T} = T \times \mathbb{C}^\times$;
- $\lambda \in \text{Lie}(T)$ and $z \in \text{Lie}(\mathbb{C}^\times)$ are equivariant parameters for \widehat{T} ;
- the Givental space is

$$\begin{aligned} H_{\widehat{T}}(X)_{\text{loc}} &:= H_T^*(X) \otimes_{H_T^*(\text{pt})} \text{Frac}(H_{\widehat{T}}^*(\text{pt})) \\ &= H_T^*(X) \otimes_{H_T^*(\text{pt})} \text{Frac}(H_T^*(\text{pt})[z]). \end{aligned}$$

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2 Equivariant quantum cohomology

2.1 Hypotheses on a T -space

Let $T \cong (\mathbb{C}^\times)^m$ be an algebraic torus. Let X be a smooth variety over \mathbb{C} equipped with an algebraic T -action. We assume the following conditions:

- (1) X is semiprojective, ie the natural map $X \rightarrow X_0 := \text{Spec } H^0(X, \mathcal{O})$ is projective;
- (2) all T -weights appearing in the T -representation $H^0(X, \mathcal{O})$ are contained in a strictly convex cone in $\text{Hom}(T, \mathbb{C}^\times) \otimes \mathbb{R}$ and $H^0(X, \mathcal{O})^T = \mathbb{C}$.

A T -space X with these assumptions has nice cohomological properties; see eg [18]. These conditions ensure that the T -fixed set X^T is projective. We also note the following:

Proposition 2.1 *A smooth T -variety X satisfying the conditions (1) and (2) is equivariantly formal, ie $H_T^*(X)$ is a free module over $H_T^*(\text{pt})$ and there is a noncanonical isomorphism $H_T^*(X) \cong H^*(X) \otimes H_T^*(\text{pt})$ as an $H_T^*(\text{pt})$ -module.*

Proof We use the argument of Kirwan [23, Proposition 5.8] (see also [27, Section 5.1]). Choose a one-parameter subgroup $k: \mathbb{C}^\times \rightarrow T$ such that k is negative on every nonzero weight of $H^0(X, \mathcal{O})$. This defines a \mathbb{C}^\times -action on X . Let $L \rightarrow X$ be a very ample line bundle. The \mathbb{C}^\times -action on X lifts to a \mathbb{C}^\times -linearization on L , possibly after replacing L with its power $L^{\otimes i}$ [12, Corollary 7.2]. Then L defines a \mathbb{C}^\times -equivariant closed embedding $X \hookrightarrow X_0 \times \mathbb{P}^n$, where \mathbb{P}^n is equipped with a linear \mathbb{C}^\times -action. By assumption, we can embed the affine variety $X_0 = \text{Spec}(H^0(X, \mathcal{O}))$ equivariantly into a \mathbb{C}^\times -representation V which has only positive¹ weights. Thus we have a \mathbb{C}^\times -equivariant closed embedding $X \hookrightarrow V \times \mathbb{P}^n$. The associated S^1 -action on $V \times \mathbb{P}^n$ admits, with respect to the standard Kähler metric, a moment map μ which is proper and bounded from below. These properties allow us to use Morse theory for the moment map $\mu|_X$. The argument in [23; 27] shows that $\mu|_X$ is a perfect Bott–Morse function and X is equivariantly formal. \square

¹We use the (usual) convention that $t \in \mathbb{C}^\times$ acts on functions by $f(x) \mapsto f(t^{-1}x)$.

2.2 Gromov–Witten invariants

For a second homology class $d \in H_2(X, \mathbb{Z})$ and a nonnegative integer $n \geq 0$, we denote by $X_{0,n,d}$ the moduli stack of genus-zero stable maps to X of degree d with n marked points. The T -action on X induces a T -action on $X_{0,n,d}$. It has a virtual fundamental class $[X_{0,n,d}]_{\text{vir}} \in H_*(X_{0,n,d}, \mathbb{Q})$ of dimension $D = \dim X + n - 3 + c_1(X) \cdot d$. For equivariant cohomology classes $\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_n \in H_T^*(X, \mathbb{Q})$ and nonnegative integers k_1, \dots, k_n , the genus-zero T -equivariant Gromov–Witten invariant is defined by

$$\langle \alpha_1 \psi^{k_1}, \dots, \alpha_n \psi^{k_n} \rangle_{0,n,d}^{X,T} = \int_{[X_{0,n,d}]_{\text{vir}}} \prod_{i=1}^n \text{ev}_i^*(\alpha_i) \psi_i^{k_i}.$$

Here $\text{ev}_i: X_{0,n,d} \rightarrow X$ is the evaluation map at the i^{th} marked point and ψ_i denotes the equivariant first Chern class of the i^{th} universal cotangent line bundle L_i over $X_{0,n,d}$. When the moduli space $X_{0,n,d}$ is not compact, the right-hand side is defined via the Atiyah–Bott localization formula [1; 17] and belongs to the fraction field $\text{Frac}(H_T^*(\text{pt}))$ of $H_T^*(\text{pt})$.

2.3 Quantum cohomology

Let $\text{Eff}(X) \subset H_2(X, \mathbb{Z})$ denote the semigroup of homology classes of effective curves. We write Q for the Novikov variable and define $M[[Q]]$ to be the space of formal power series,

$$M[[Q]] = \left\{ \sum_{d \in \text{Eff}(X)} a_d Q^d : a_d \in M \right\},$$

with coefficients in a module M . When M is a ring, $M[[Q]]$ is also a ring. Let (\cdot, \cdot) denote the T -equivariant Poincaré pairing on $H_T^*(X)$

$$(\alpha, \beta) = \int_X \alpha \cup \beta.$$

If X is not compact, we define the right-hand side via the localization formula. Therefore (\cdot, \cdot) takes values in $\text{Frac}(H_T^*(\text{pt}))$ in general. Let $\{\phi_i\}_{i=0}^N$ be a basis of $H_T^*(X)$ over $H_T^*(\text{pt})$. We write $\{\tau^i\}_{i=0}^N$ for the dual coordinates on $H_T^*(X)$ and $\tau = \sum_{i=0}^N \tau^i \phi_i$ for a general point on $H_T^*(X)$. The (big) quantum product \star is defined by the formula

$$(\phi_i \star \phi_j, \phi_k) = \sum_{d \in \text{Eff}(X)} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{Q^d}{n!} \langle \phi_i, \phi_j, \phi_k, \tau, \dots, \tau \rangle_{0,n+3,d}^{X,T}.$$

We note that the quantum product $\phi_i \star \phi_j$ is defined without localization:

$$\phi_i \star \phi_j \in H_T^*(X)[[Q]][[\tau^0, \dots, \tau^N]].$$

In fact, $\phi_i \star \phi_j$ can be written as the push-forward

$$(2-1) \quad \sum_{d \in \text{Eff}(X)} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{Q^d}{n!} \text{PD ev}_{3*} \left(\text{ev}_1^*(\phi_i) \text{ev}_2^*(\phi_j) \prod_{l=4}^{n+3} \text{ev}_l^*(\tau) \cap [X_{0,n+3,d}]_{\text{vir}} \right)$$

along the *proper* evaluation map ev_3 , and hence the localization is not necessary. The properness of ev_3 follows from the assumption that X is semiprojective.

2.4 Quantum connection and fundamental solution

The quantum connection is the operator

$$\nabla_i: H_T^*(X)[z][[Q]][[\tau^0, \dots, \tau^N]] \rightarrow z^{-1} H_T^*(X)[z][[Q]][[\tau^0, \dots, \tau^N]]$$

defined by

$$\nabla_i = \frac{\partial}{\partial \tau^i} + \frac{1}{z}(\phi_i \star).$$

The quantum connection has a parameter z : we identify it with the equivariant parameter for an additional \mathbb{C}^\times -action. Set $\hat{T} = T \times \mathbb{C}^\times$ and consider the \hat{T} -action on X induced by the projection $\hat{T} \rightarrow T$. Then we have $H_{\hat{T}}^*(X) \cong H_T^*(X)[z]$. The quantum connection is known to be flat, and admits a fundamental solution

$$M(\tau): H_{\hat{T}}^*(X)[[Q]][[\tau^0, \dots, \tau^N]] \rightarrow H_{\hat{T}}^*(X)_{\text{loc}}[[Q]][[\tau^0, \dots, \tau^N]]$$

satisfying the quantum differential equation

$$z \frac{\partial}{\partial \tau^i} M(\tau) = M(\tau)(\phi_i \star),$$

or equivalently

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial \tau^i} \circ M(\tau) = M(\tau) \circ \nabla_i,$$

where $H_{\hat{T}}^*(X)_{\text{loc}} := H_{\hat{T}}^*(X) \otimes_{H_{\hat{T}}^*(\text{pt})} \text{Frac}(H_{\hat{T}}^*(\text{pt}))$ is the localized equivariant cohomology. The following proposition is well-known; see [13, Section 1; 30, Proposition 2]:

Proposition 2.2 *A fundamental solution is given by*

$$(M(\tau)\phi_i, \phi_j) = (\phi_i, \phi_j) + \sum_{\substack{d \in \text{Eff}(X), n \geq 0 \\ (d,n) \neq (0,0)}} \frac{Q^d}{n!} \left\langle \phi_i, \tau, \dots, \tau, \frac{\phi_j}{z - \psi} \right\rangle_{0,n+2,d}^{X,T}.$$

Remark 2.3 Expanding $1/(z - \psi) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \psi^n / z^{n+1}$, we find that $M(\tau)\phi_i$ takes values in $H_T^*(X)[[z^{-1}]]$. By the localization calculation, it also follows that $M(\tau)\phi_i$ takes values in $H_{\hat{T}}^*(X)_{\text{loc}}$. The localized \hat{T} -equivariant cohomology $H_{\hat{T}}^*(X)_{\text{loc}}$ is also called the *Givental space* [15].

3 Shift operator

The shift operator for equivariant quantum cohomology has been introduced by Okounkov and Pandharipande [29], Braverman, Maulik and Okounkov [4] and Maulik and Okounkov [25]. We discuss its (straightforward) extension to the big quantum cohomology.

3.1 Twisted homomorphism

We write $\hat{T} = T \times \mathbb{C}^\times$. For a group homomorphism $k: \mathbb{C}^\times \rightarrow T$, we consider the \hat{T} -action ρ_k on X defined by

$$\rho_k(t, u)x = tu^k \cdot x,$$

where $(t, u) \in \hat{T}$ and $x \in X$, and $u^k \in T$ denotes the image of $u \in \mathbb{C}^\times$ under k . Let $\lambda \in \text{Lie}(T)$ denote the equivariant parameter for T and let $z \in \text{Lie}(\mathbb{C}^\times)$ denote the equivariant parameter for \mathbb{C}^\times . The identity map $\text{id}: (X, \rho_0) \rightarrow (X, \rho_k)$ is equivariant with respect to the group automorphism

$$\phi_k: \hat{T} \rightarrow \hat{T}, \quad \phi_k(t, u) = (tu^{-k}, u).$$

Therefore the identity map induces an isomorphism

$$\Phi_k: H_{\hat{T}, \rho_0}^*(X) \cong H_{\hat{T}, \rho_k}^*(X)$$

such that

$$(3-1) \quad \Phi_k(f(\lambda, z)\alpha) = f(\lambda + kz, z)\Phi_k(\alpha),$$

where $\alpha \in H_{\hat{T}, \rho_0}^*(X)$ and $f(\lambda, z) \in H_{\hat{T}}^*(\text{pt})$ is a polynomial function on $\text{Lie}(\hat{T})$. Referring to the property (3-1), we say that Φ_k is a k -twisted homomorphism.

Notation 3.1 We write $H_{\hat{T}, \rho}^*(X)$ for the \hat{T} -equivariant cohomology of X with respect to the \hat{T} -action ρ on X . When ρ is omitted, $H_{\hat{T}}^*(X)$ means $H_{\hat{T}, \rho_0}^*(X)$.

3.2 Bundle associated to a \mathbb{C}^\times -subgroup

Definition 3.2 (associated bundle) Let $k: \mathbb{C}^\times \rightarrow T$ be a group homomorphism. Consider the \mathbb{C}^\times -action on $X \times (\mathbb{C}^2 \setminus \{0\})$ given by $s \cdot (x, (v_1, v_2)) = (s^k \cdot x, (s^{-1}v_1, s^{-1}v_2))$. Let E_k denote the quotient space

$$E_k := X \times (\mathbb{C}^2 \setminus \{0\}) / \mathbb{C}^\times.$$

We have a natural projection $\pi: E_k \rightarrow \mathbb{P}^1$ given by $\pi([x, (v_1, v_2)]) = [v_1, v_2]$ and E_k is a fiber bundle over \mathbb{P}^1 with fiber X . We consider the \widehat{T} -action on E_k given by $(t, u) \cdot [x, (v_1, v_2)] = [t \cdot x, (v_1, uv_2)]$. Let X_0 denote the fiber of $E_k \rightarrow \mathbb{P}^1$ at $[1, 0]$ and let X_∞ denote the fiber at $[0, 1]$. Note that we have

$$X_0 \cong (X, \rho_0) \quad \text{and} \quad X_\infty \cong (X, \rho_k)$$

as \widehat{T} -spaces.

Definition 3.3 A group homomorphism $k: \mathbb{C}^\times \rightarrow T$ is said to be *seminegative* if k is nonpositive on each T -weight of $H^0(X, \mathcal{O})$. We say that k is *negative* if k is negative on each nonzero T -weight of $H^0(X, \mathcal{O})$.

Remark 3.4 When X is complete, every \mathbb{C}^\times -subgroup is negative.

Suppose that $k: \mathbb{C}^\times \rightarrow T$ is seminegative and consider the \mathbb{C}^\times -action on X induced by k . Let L be a very ample line bundle on X . As discussed in the proof of Proposition 2.1, we may assume that L admits a \mathbb{C}^\times -linearization. By tensoring L with a \mathbb{C}^\times -character, we may assume that all the \mathbb{C}^\times -weights on $H^0(X, L^{\otimes n})$ are negative for $n > 0$. Let $p: X \times \mathbb{C}^2 \rightarrow X$ be the natural projection. Then p^*L is a \mathbb{C}^\times -equivariant line bundle on $X \times \mathbb{C}^2$, where \mathbb{C}^\times acts on the base by $s \cdot (x, (v_1, v_2)) = (s^k \cdot x, (s^{-1}v_1, s^{-1}v_2))$. We can see that

$$H^0(X \times \mathbb{C}^2, (p^*L)^{\otimes n}) = \bigoplus_{i=0}^{\infty} H^0(X, L^{\otimes n})^{(-i)} \otimes \mathbb{C}[v_1, v_2]^{(i)},$$

where the superscript (l) means the component of \mathbb{C}_s^\times -weight l . The unstable locus for the \mathbb{C}^\times -action on $(X \times \mathbb{C}^2, p^*L)$, in the sense of geometric invariant theory (GIT), is $X \times \{0\}$ and therefore we find that E_k is the GIT quotient of $X \times \mathbb{C}^2$, ie $E_k = \text{Proj}(\bigoplus_{n=0}^{\infty} H^0(X \times \mathbb{C}^2, (p^*L)^{\otimes n}))$. This proves:

Lemma 3.5 If k is seminegative, E_k is semiprojective.

Let $k: \mathbb{C}^\times \rightarrow T$ be a seminegative subgroup and consider the \mathbb{C}^\times -action on X induced by k . A \mathbb{C}^\times -fixed point $x \in X$ defines a section of $E_k \rightarrow \mathbb{P}^1$,

$$(3-2) \quad \sigma_x = (\{x\} \times \mathbb{P}^1) \subset E_k.$$

We now define a minimal section among all such sections associated to fixed points. Using the argument in the proof of Proposition 2.1, we obtain a \mathbb{C}^\times -equivariant closed embedding $X \hookrightarrow \mathbb{P}^n \times \mathbb{C}^l$, where \mathbb{C}^l is a \mathbb{C}^\times -representation with only nonnegative weights. In particular, for every point $x \in X$, the limit $\lim_{s \rightarrow 0} s^k \cdot x$ exists. This implies the existence of the Białynicki-Birula decomposition [3, Theorem 4.1] for X : if $X^{\mathbb{C}^\times} = \bigsqcup_i F_i$ is the decomposition of the \mathbb{C}^\times -fixed locus $X^{\mathbb{C}^\times}$ into connected components, we have the induced decomposition of X ,

$$X = \bigsqcup_i U_i, \quad U_i = \{x \in X : \lim_{s \rightarrow 0} s^k \cdot x \in F_i\},$$

into locally closed smooth subvarieties U_i . In particular there exists a unique \mathbb{C}^\times -fixed component $F_{\min} \subset X$ such that all the \mathbb{C}^\times -weights on the normal bundle to F_{\min} are positive. The moment map μ for the associated S^1 -action attains a global minimum on F_{\min} . We call the class of a section σ_{\min} of E_k associated to a point in F_{\min} the *minimal section class*. We write

$$H_2^{\text{sec}}(E_k, \mathbb{Z}) = \{d \in H_2(E_k, \mathbb{Z}) : \pi_*(d) = [\mathbb{P}^1]\},$$

$$\text{Eff}(E_k)^{\text{sec}} = \text{Eff}(E_k) \cap H_2^{\text{sec}}(E_k, \mathbb{Z}).$$

Lemma 3.6 *If k is seminegative, we have $\text{Eff}(E_k)^{\text{sec}} = \sigma_{\min} + \text{Eff}(X)$.*

Proof The compact case was discussed in [16, Lemma 2.2]. Take a negative one-parameter subgroup $l: \mathbb{C}^\times \rightarrow T$ and consider the \mathbb{C}^\times -action on E_k induced by $\mathbb{C}^\times \xrightarrow{l} T \times \{1\} \subset \hat{T}$. Observe that all nonzero \mathbb{C}^\times -weights on $H^0(E_k, \mathcal{O})$ are negative. This means that $E_{k,0} := \text{Spec } H^0(E_k, \mathcal{O})$ has a unique \mathbb{C}^\times -fixed point 0 and $\lim_{s \rightarrow 0} s \cdot x = 0$ for all $x \in E_{k,0}$. Therefore every curve can be deformed, via the \mathbb{C}^\times -action, to a stable curve in the fiber K of $E_k \rightarrow E_{k,0}$ at $0 \in E_{k,0}$ in the same homology class. Since \hat{T} -action on E_k preserves K and K is compact, we may further deform a curve in K to a \hat{T} -invariant stable curve. A \hat{T} -invariant stable curve in E_k is a union of a section class σ_x associated to a T -fixed point $x \in X$ and effective curves in $X_0 \sqcup X_\infty$. Suppose that two different fixed points $x, y \in X^T$ are connected by a $k(\mathbb{C}^\times)$ -orbit, ie $x = \lim_{s \rightarrow \infty} s^k \cdot p$ and $y = \lim_{s \rightarrow 0} s^k \cdot p$ for some $p \in X$. The closure $C = \overline{k(\mathbb{C}^\times) \cdot p}$ is isomorphic to \mathbb{P}^1 , and σ_x and σ_y are contained in a Hirzebruch surface

$$C \times (\mathbb{C}^2 \setminus \{0\}) / \mathbb{C}^\times \subset E_k.$$

Then one finds $\sigma_x = \sigma_y + a[C]$ for some $a > 0$. Using the Białyński-Birula decomposition for the $k(\mathbb{C}^\times)$ -action on X , we find that every T -fixed point is connected to a T -fixed point on F_{\min} by a chain of $k(\mathbb{C}^\times)$ -orbits. The conclusion follows. \square

Lemma 3.7 *We have an isomorphism*

$$H_{\hat{T}}^*(E_k) \cong \{(\alpha, \beta) \in H_{\hat{T}, \rho_0}^*(X) \oplus H_{\hat{T}, \rho_k}^*(X) : \alpha - \Phi_k^{-1}(\beta) \equiv 0 \pmod{z}\}$$

which sends τ to $(\tau|_{X_0}, \tau|_{X_\infty})$. Recall that z is the equivariant parameter for \mathbb{C}^\times and we have a canonical isomorphism $H_{\hat{T}, \rho_0}^*(X) \cong H_T^*(X)[z]$.

Proof Consider the Mayer-Vietoris exact sequence associated to the covering $E_k = U_0 \cup U_\infty$ with $U_0 = \pi^{-1}(\mathbb{C})$ and $U_\infty = \pi^{-1}(\mathbb{P}^1 \setminus \{0\})$. We have

$$H_{\hat{T}}^*(U_0) \cong H_{\hat{T}, \rho_0}^*(X), \quad H_{\hat{T}}^*(U_\infty) \cong H_{\hat{T}, \rho_k}^*(X), \quad H_{\hat{T}}^*(U_0 \cap U_\infty) \cong H_T(X).$$

The map $H_{\hat{T}}^*(U_0) \oplus H_{\hat{T}}^*(U_\infty) \rightarrow H_{\hat{T}}^*(U_0 \cap U_\infty)$ is surjective and is given by $(\alpha, \beta) \mapsto (\alpha - \Phi_k^{-1}\beta)|_{z=0}$. \square

Notation 3.8 By Lemma 3.7, for $\tau \in H_T^*(X)$, there exists $\hat{\tau} \in H_{\hat{T}}^*(E_k)$ such that $\hat{\tau}|_{X_0} = \tau$ and $\hat{\tau}|_{X_\infty} = \Phi_k(\tau)$. This defines a map $\hat{\cdot} : H_T^*(X) \rightarrow H_{\hat{T}}^*(E_k)$. This is not $H_T^*(\text{pt})$ -linear.

3.3 Shift operator

Definition 3.9 (shift operator) Let $k: \mathbb{C}^\times \rightarrow T$ be a seminegative group homomorphism. For $\tau \in H_T^*(X)$, we define $\tilde{S}_k(\tau): H_{\hat{T}, \rho_0}^*(X)[[Q]] \rightarrow H_{\hat{T}, \rho_k}^*(X)[[Q]]$ by

$$(\tilde{S}_k(\tau)\alpha, \beta) = \sum_{\hat{d} \in \text{Eff}(E_k)^{\text{sec}}} \frac{Q^{\hat{d} - \sigma_{\min}}}{n!} \langle \iota_0^* \alpha, \iota_\infty^* \beta, \hat{\tau}, \dots, \hat{\tau} \rangle_{0, n+2, \hat{d}}^{E_k, \hat{T}}$$

where (\cdot, \cdot) in the left-hand side is the \hat{T} -equivariant Poincaré pairing on $H_{\hat{T}, \rho_k}^*(X)$, $\alpha \in H_{\hat{T}, \rho_0}^*(X)$, $\beta \in H_{\hat{T}, \rho_k}^*(X)$, σ_{\min} is the minimal section class for E_k , and $\iota_0: X_0 \rightarrow E_k$ and $\iota_\infty: X_\infty \rightarrow E_k$ are the natural inclusions. We also define

$$S_k(\tau) = \Phi_k^{-1} \circ \tilde{S}_k(\tau): H_T^*(X)[[Q]] \rightarrow H_T^*(X)[[Q]].$$

Note that \tilde{S}_k is untwisted but S_k is $(-k)$ -twisted (see (3-1)).

Remark 3.10 When k is seminegative, E_k is semiprojective by Lemma 3.5 and thus the shift operator S_k is defined without localization: we may rewrite \tilde{S}_k as the push-forward along an evaluation map (see (2-1)). When k is not seminegative, we can still define S_k over $\text{Frac}(H_T^*(\text{pt}))$ after choosing a suitable section class σ_{\min} .

Remark 3.11 Since the map $\tau \mapsto \hat{\tau}$ is not $H_T^*(\text{pt})$ -linear, $\mathbb{S}(\tau)$ cannot be written as a formal power series in the $H_T^*(\text{pt})$ -valued variables τ^0, \dots, τ^N . For $\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_l \in H_T^*(X)$ and \mathbb{C} -valued variables t^1, \dots, t^l , the shift operator $\mathbb{S}(\tau)$ with $\tau = \sum_{i=1}^l t^i \alpha_i$ is a formal power series in t^1, \dots, t^l .

Remark 3.12 (divisor equation) Suppose that $\tau = h + \tau'$ with $h \in H_T^2(X)$. Using the divisor equation, we have

$$(\tilde{\mathbb{S}}_k(\tau)\alpha, \beta) = e^{-h(k)} \sum_{d \in \text{Eff}(X)} \frac{Q^d e^{h \cdot d}}{n!} \langle \iota_{0*} \alpha, \iota_{\infty*} \beta, \hat{\tau}', \dots, \hat{\tau}' \rangle_{0, n+2, \sigma_{\min} + d}^{E_k, \hat{T}}$$

where $h(k)$ is the pairing between k and the restriction $h|_x \in H_T^2(\text{pt}) \cong \text{Lie}(T)^*$ of h to a fixed point x in the minimal fixed component F_{\min} (with respect to k). Note that $\hat{h} \cdot \sigma_{\min} = -h(k)$.

By the localization theorem of equivariant cohomology [1], the restriction to the T -fixed subspace X^T induces an isomorphism

$$\iota^*: H_{\hat{T}}^*(X)_{\text{loc}} \xrightarrow{\cong} H_{\hat{T}}^*(X^T)_{\text{loc}} = H^*(X^T) \otimes \text{Frac}(H_{\hat{T}}^*(\text{pt})).$$

We use this to define the shift operator on the Givental space $H_{\hat{T}}^*(X)_{\text{loc}}$.

Definition 3.13 (shift operator on the Givental space) Let $X^T = \bigsqcup_i F_i$ be the decomposition of X^T into connected components. Let N_i be the normal bundle to F_i in X . Let $N_i = \bigoplus_{\alpha} N_{i,\alpha}$ denote the T -eigenbundle decomposition, where T acts on $N_{i,\alpha}$ by the character $\alpha \in \text{Hom}(T, \mathbb{C}^\times)$. Let $\rho_{i,\alpha,j}$ for $j = 1, \dots, \text{rank}(N_{i,\alpha})$ denote the Chern roots of $N_{i,\alpha}$. For a seminegative $k \in \text{Hom}(\mathbb{C}^\times, T)$, we define

$$\Delta_i(k) = Q^{\sigma_i - \sigma_{\min}} \prod_{\alpha} \prod_{j=1}^{\text{rank}(N_{i,\alpha})} \frac{\prod_{c=-\infty}^0 (\rho_{i,\alpha,j} + \alpha + cz)}{\prod_{c=-\infty}^{-\alpha \cdot k} (\rho_{i,\alpha,j} + \alpha + cz)} \in H_{\hat{T}}^*(F_i)_{\text{loc}} \llbracket Q \rrbracket,$$

where α is regarded as an element of $H_T^2(\text{pt}, \mathbb{Z})$, σ_i is the section class of E_k associated to a fixed point in F_i and σ_{\min} is the minimal section class of E_k . Note that all but finitely many factors in the infinite product cancel. We define the operator $S_k: H_{\hat{T}}^*(X)_{\text{loc}} \rightarrow H_{\hat{T}}^*(X)_{\text{loc}}$ by the commutative diagram

$$(3-3) \quad \begin{array}{ccc} H_{\hat{T}}^*(X)_{\text{loc}} & \xrightarrow{S_k} & H_{\hat{T}}^*(X)_{\text{loc}} \\ \iota^* \downarrow & & \downarrow \iota^* \\ H_{\hat{T}}^*(X^T)_{\text{loc}} & \xrightarrow{\bigoplus_i \Delta_i(k) e^{-z k \partial_\lambda}} & H_{\hat{T}}^*(X^T)_{\text{loc}} \end{array}$$

where we use the decomposition $H_{\hat{T}}^*(X^T)_{\text{loc}} \cong \bigoplus_i H^*(F_i) \otimes \text{Frac}(H_{\hat{T}}(\text{pt}))$ in the bottom arrow and $e^{-kz\partial_\lambda}$ acts on $\text{Frac}(H_{\hat{T}}(\text{pt}))$ by $f(\lambda, z) \mapsto f(\lambda - kz, z)$. The operator S_k is a $(-k)$ -twisted homomorphism.

The following is a key property of the shift operator:

Theorem 3.14 *We have $M(\tau) \circ S_k(\tau) = S_k \circ M(\tau)$, where $M(\tau)$ is the fundamental solution in Proposition 2.2.*

Proof A similar intertwining property has been discussed in [29; 4; 25]. We calculate $\hat{S}_k(\tau)$ using \hat{T} -equivariant localization. We refer the reader to [17; 10] for localization arguments in Gromov–Witten theory. Fix a section class $\hat{d} \in \text{Eff}(E_k)^{\text{sec}}$. A \hat{T} -fixed stable map $f: (C, x_1, \dots, x_{n+2}) \rightarrow E_k$ of degree \hat{d} is of the form

- $C = C_0 \cup C_{\text{sec}} \cup C_\infty$ with $C_{\text{sec}} \cong \mathbb{P}^1$;
- $f_0 = f|_{C_0}$ is a T -fixed stable map to X_0 ;
- $f_\infty = f|_{C_\infty}$ is a T -fixed stable map to X_∞ ;
- $f_{\text{sec}} = f|_{C_{\text{sec}}}$ is a section of E_k associated to a T -fixed point in X (see (3-2)).

Recall that the tangent space T^1 and the obstruction space T^2 at the stable map f fit into the exact sequence

$$0 \rightarrow \text{Ext}^0(\Omega_C^1(\mathbf{x}), \mathcal{O}_C) \rightarrow H^0(C, f^*T_{E_k}) \rightarrow T^1 \rightarrow \text{Ext}^1(\Omega_C^1(\mathbf{x}), \mathcal{O}_C) \rightarrow H^1(C, f^*T_{E_k}) \rightarrow T^2 \rightarrow 0,$$

where $\mathbf{x} = x_1 + \dots + x_{n+2}$. The virtual normal bundle at f is

$$\mathcal{N}^{\text{vir}} = T^{1, \text{mov}} - T^{2, \text{mov}} = \chi(f^*T_{E_k})^{\text{mov}} - \chi(\Omega_C^1(\mathbf{x}), \mathcal{O}_C)^{\text{mov}}$$

where ‘‘mov’’ means the moving part with respect to the \hat{T} -action and $\chi(\mathcal{E}) = H^0(C, \mathcal{E}) - H^1(C, \mathcal{E})$ and $\chi(\mathcal{E}, \mathcal{F}) = \text{Ext}^0(\mathcal{E}, \mathcal{F}) - \text{Ext}^1(\mathcal{E}, \mathcal{F})$ denote the Euler characteristics. Let p and q denote the nodal intersection points $C_0 \cap C_{\text{sec}}$ and $C_\infty \cap C_{\text{sec}}$, respectively. Using the normalization exact sequence $0 \rightarrow \mathcal{O}_C \rightarrow \mathcal{O}_{C_0} \oplus \mathcal{O}_{C_{\text{sec}}} \oplus \mathcal{O}_{C_\infty} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}_p \oplus \mathbb{C}_q \rightarrow 0$, we find

$$(3-4) \quad \chi(f^*T_{E_k})^{\text{mov}} = \chi(f_0^*T_{X_0})^{\text{mov}} + \chi(f_\infty^*T_{X_\infty})^{\text{mov}} + \chi(f_{\text{sec}}^*T_{E_k})^{\text{mov}} + \xi + \xi^{-1} - (T_{f(p)}E)^{\text{mov}} - (T_{f(q)}E)^{\text{mov}},$$

where ξ is the one-dimensional \mathbb{C}^\times -representation of weight one. We write $\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{x}_0 + \mathbf{x}_\infty$, where \mathbf{x}_0 and \mathbf{x}_∞ are divisors on C_0 and C_∞ , respectively. Then we have

$$(3-5) \quad -\chi(\Omega_C^1(\mathbf{x}), \mathcal{O}_C)^{\text{mov}} = T_p C_0 \otimes T_p C_{\text{sec}} + T_q C_\infty \otimes T_q C_{\text{sec}} - \chi(\Omega_{C_0}^1(\mathbf{x}_0 + p), \mathcal{O}_{C_0})^{\text{mov}} - \chi(\Omega_{C_\infty}^1(\mathbf{x}_\infty + q), \mathcal{O}_{C_\infty})^{\text{mov}}.$$

The \widehat{T} -fixed locus in the moduli space $(E_k)_{0,n+2,\widehat{d}}$ is given by

$$\bigsqcup_i \bigsqcup_{I_1 \sqcup I_2 = \{1, \dots, n+2\}} \bigsqcup_{d_0 + d_\infty + \sigma_i = \widehat{d}} ((X_0)_{0,I_1 \cup p, d_0})^T \times_{F_i} ((X_\infty)_{0,I_2 \cup q, d_\infty})^T,$$

where F_i and σ_i are as in Definition 3.13. Combining (3-4) and (3-5), we find that the virtual normal bundle $\mathcal{N}_i^{\text{vir}}$ on the component $((X_0)_{0,I_1 \cup p, d_0})^T \times_{F_i} ((X_\infty)_{0,I_2 \cup q, d_\infty})^T$ is

$$\mathcal{N}_i^{\text{vir}} = \mathcal{N}_0^{\text{vir}} + \mathcal{N}_\infty^{\text{vir}} + \mathcal{N}_{\text{sec},i} - N_{F_i/X_0} - N_{F_i/X_\infty} + L_p^{-1} \otimes \xi + L_q^{-1} \otimes \xi^{-1},$$

where $\mathcal{N}_0^{\text{vir}}$ is the virtual normal bundle of $(X_0)_{0,I_1 \cup p, d_0}^T$ in $(X_0)_{0,I_1 \cup p, d_0}$, $\mathcal{N}_\infty^{\text{vir}}$ is the virtual normal bundle of $(X_\infty)_{0,I_2 \cup q, d_\infty}^T$ in $(X_\infty)_{0,I_2 \cup q, d_\infty}$, L_p (resp. L_q) is the universal cotangent line bundle at p (resp. q) and $\mathcal{N}_{\text{sec},i}$ is the vector bundle with fiber $\chi(f_{\text{sec}}^* T_{E_k})^{\text{mov}}$. Let $N_{F_i/X} = N_i = \bigoplus_\alpha N_{i,\alpha}$ be decomposition as in Definition 3.13. The normal bundle of $F_i \times \mathbb{P}^1$ in E_k is

$$\bigoplus_\alpha N_{i,\alpha} \boxtimes \mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}^1}(-\alpha \cdot k).$$

Thus we find

$$(3-6) \quad \mathcal{N}_{\text{sec},i} = \xi \oplus \xi^{-1} \oplus \bigoplus_\alpha N_{i,\alpha} \otimes \left(\bigoplus_{c \leq 0} \xi^c - \bigoplus_{c < \alpha \cdot k} \xi^c \right).$$

The virtual localization formula gives

$$\begin{aligned} (\widetilde{\mathcal{S}}_k(\tau)\alpha, \beta) &= \sum_{i,k,l,a,b} \sum_{d_0 + d_\infty + \sigma_i = \widehat{d}} \left\langle z\alpha, \tau, \dots, \tau, \frac{(\iota_{0,i})_* \phi_{i,a}}{z - \psi} \right\rangle_{0,k+2,d_0}^{X_0, \widehat{T}} \frac{Q^{d_0}}{k!} \\ &\times \left(\int_{F_i} \frac{Q^{\sigma_i - \sigma_{\min}}}{e_{\widehat{T}}(N_{\text{sec},i})} \phi_i^a \phi_i^b \right) \left\langle \frac{(\iota_{\infty,i})_* \phi_{i,b}}{-z - \psi}, \tau', \dots, \tau', -z\beta \right\rangle_{0,l+2,d_\infty}^{X_\infty, \widehat{T}} \frac{Q^{d_\infty}}{l!}, \end{aligned}$$

where $\alpha \in H_{\widehat{T}}^*(X_0)$, $\beta \in H_{\widehat{T}}^*(X_\infty)$, $\tau' = \Phi_k(\tau)$, the maps $\iota_{0,i}: F_i \rightarrow X_0$ and $\iota_{\infty,i}: F_i \rightarrow X_\infty$ are the natural inclusions, $\{\phi_{i,a}\} \subset H^*(F_i)$ is a basis, and $\{\phi_i^a\}$ is the dual basis such that $\int_{F_i} \phi_{i,a} \cup \phi_i^b = \delta_a^b$. Note that we have, by (3-6),

$$\frac{Q^{\sigma_i - \sigma_{\min}}}{e_{\widehat{T}}(N_{\text{vir},i})} = \frac{1}{z(-z)} \frac{1}{e_{\widehat{T}}(N_{F_i/X_\infty})} (e^{kz\partial_\lambda} \Delta_i(k)).$$

Combining these equations, we conclude

$$(\widetilde{\mathcal{S}}_k(\tau)\alpha, \beta) = (\widetilde{\mathcal{S}}_k M(\tau, z)\alpha, M'(\tau', -z)\beta),$$

where we write the argument z in the fundamental solution explicitly and

- $\tilde{S}_k: H_{\hat{T}}(X_0)_{\text{loc}} \rightarrow H_{\hat{T}}(X_\infty)_{\text{loc}}$ is a map defined similarly to S_k by replacing $\bigoplus_i \Delta_i(k)e^{-kz\partial_\lambda}$ in the diagram (3-3) with $\bigoplus_i (e^{kz\partial_\lambda} \Delta_i(k))$;
- $M'(\tau', z)$ is defined similarly to Proposition 2.2 by replacing T -equivariant Gromov–Witten invariants there with (\hat{T}, ρ_k) -equivariant invariants.

Note that $M'(\tau', z) = \Phi_k \circ M(\tau, z) \circ \Phi_k^{-1}$ and $\tilde{S}_k = \Phi_k \circ S_k$. The conclusion follows from the so-called “unitarity” $M(\tau, -z)^* = M(\tau, z)^{-1}$ of the fundamental solution (see [13, Section 1]). □

Theorem 3.14 and the differential equation $\partial_i \circ M(\tau) = M(\tau) \circ \nabla_i$ show:

Corollary 3.15 *The shift operator commutes with the quantum connection, that is, $[\nabla_i, S_k(\tau)] = 0$ for $i = 0, \dots, N$.*

This corollary is shown in [25, Section 8] in the case where $\tau = 0$. We also remark that the shift operators commute each other.

Corollary 3.16 *We have $S_k \circ S_l = Q^{d(k,l)} S_{k+l}$ for some $d(k, l) \in H_2(X, \mathbb{Z})$ which is symmetric in k and l . In particular, $S_k \circ S_l = Q^{d(k,l)} S_{k+l}$, $[S_k, S_l] = [S_k, S_l] = 0$.*

Proof Consider the X -bundle $E_{k,l}$ over $\mathbb{P}^1 \times \mathbb{P}^1$ given by

$$E_{k,l} = X \times (\mathbb{C}^2 \setminus \{0\}) \times (\mathbb{C}^2 \setminus \{0\}) / \mathbb{C}^\times \times \mathbb{C}^\times,$$

where $(s_1, s_2) \in \mathbb{C}^\times \times \mathbb{C}^\times$ acts on $X \times \mathbb{C}^2 \times \mathbb{C}^2$ by $(s_1, s_2) \cdot (x, (a_1, a_2), (b_1, b_2)) = (s_1^k s_2^l, (s_1^{-1} a_1, s_1^{-1} a_2), (s_2^{-1} b_1, s_2^{-1} b_2))$. Note $E_{k,l}|_{\mathbb{P}^1 \times [1:0]} \cong E_k$, $E_{k,l}|_{[1:0] \times \mathbb{P}^1} \cong E_l$ and $E_{k,l}|_{\Delta(\mathbb{P}^1)} \cong E_{k+l}$, where $\Delta(\mathbb{P}^1) \subset \mathbb{P}^1 \times \mathbb{P}^1$ denotes the diagonal. The addition in $H_2(E_{k,l}, \mathbb{Z})$ defines a map $\#: H_2^{\text{sec}}(E_l, \mathbb{Z}) \times H_2^{\text{sec}}(E_k, \mathbb{Z}) \rightarrow H_2^{\text{sec}}(E_{k+l}, \mathbb{Z})$. For any T -fixed point x , the section class σ_x (see (3-2)) associated to x satisfies $\sigma_x \# \sigma_x = \sigma_x$. A straightforward computation now shows that $S_k \circ S_l = Q^{\sigma_{\min}(k+l) - \sigma_{\min}(k) \# \sigma_{\min}(l)} S_{k+l}$, where $\sigma_{\min}(k)$ denotes the minimal section class of E_k . The conclusion follows by setting $d(k, l) = \sigma_{\min}(k + l) - \sigma_{\min}(k) \# \sigma_{\min}(l)$ and the commutativity of $\#$. □

3.4 Relation to the Seidel representation

Taking the $z \rightarrow 0$ limit of shift operators, we obtain a big quantum cohomology version of the Seidel representation [31]. The author learned the idea of big Seidel elements from Eduardo González during joint work with him [16].

Definition 3.17 (Seidel elements) Let $k \in \text{Hom}(\mathbb{C}^\times, T)$ be a seminegative homomorphism. The element $S_k(\tau) := \lim_{z \rightarrow 0} S_k(\tau)1$ of $H_T^*(X) \llbracket Q \rrbracket \llbracket \tau^0, \dots, \tau^m \rrbracket$ is called the *Seidel element*.

By Corollary 3.15, the $z \rightarrow 0$ limit of the operator $S_k(\tau)$ commutes with the quantum multiplication, and therefore coincides with the quantum multiplication by $S_k(\tau)$ (see also [25, Section 8]). By Corollary 3.16, we have

$$S_k(\tau) \star S_l(\tau) = Q^{d(k,l)} S_{k+l}(\tau).$$

This is called the *Seidel representation*.

3.5 Relation to the $\widehat{\Gamma}$ -integral structure

We note a relationship between the shift operator and the $\widehat{\Gamma}$ -integral structure introduced in [20; 22; 9]. For quantum cohomology of the Hilbert scheme of points on \mathbb{C}^2 , it has been observed in [29] that certain Γ -factors play an important role in the difference equation associated to the shift operators.

We recall the $\widehat{\Gamma}$ -class of X . Let $\delta_1, \dots, \delta_D$ denote the T -equivariant Chern roots of the tangent bundle TX such that $c^T(TX) = (1 + \delta_1) \cdots (1 + \delta_D)$. The T -equivariant $\widehat{\Gamma}$ -class of X is the class

$$\widehat{\Gamma}_X = \widehat{\Gamma}(TX) = \prod_{i=1}^D \Gamma(1 + \delta_i)$$

in $H_T^{**}(X) = \prod_{p=0}^{\infty} H_T^p(X)$. Here $\Gamma(z) = \int_0^{\infty} e^{-t} t^{z-1} dt$ is Euler's Γ -function. By Taylor expansion, the right-hand side becomes a symmetric formal power series in $\delta_1, \dots, \delta_D$ and thus can be expressed in terms of the equivariant Chern classes of TX .

The $\widehat{\Gamma}$ -integral structure assigns the following homogeneous flat section $\mathfrak{s}(E)$ of the quantum connection to a T -equivariant vector bundle $E \rightarrow X$:

$$\mathfrak{s}(E) = (2\pi)^{-D/2} M(\tau)^{-1} z^{-\mu} z^{c_1(X)} \widehat{\Gamma}_X (2\pi i)^{\deg/2} \text{ch}^T(E),$$

where $D = \dim_{\mathbb{C}} X$, $M(\tau)$ is the fundamental solution given in Proposition 2.2, $\mu \in \text{End}_{\mathbb{C}}(H_T^*(X))$ is the Hodge grading operator $\mu(\phi_i) = (\frac{1}{2} \deg \phi_i - \frac{1}{2} D)\phi_i$, $z^{c_1(X)} = e^{c_1(X) \log z}$ and $(2\pi i)^{\deg/2} \text{ch}^T(E) = \sum_{p=0}^{\infty} (2\pi i)^p \text{ch}_p^T(E)$. The section $\mathfrak{s}(E)$ is flat, ie $\nabla_i \mathfrak{s}(E) = 0$ and is homogeneous in the sense that

$$\left[z \frac{\partial}{\partial z} + \mu + \sum_{i=0}^N \left(1 - \frac{1}{2} \deg \phi_i \right) \tau^i \frac{\partial}{\partial \tau^i} + \sum_{i=0}^N \rho^i \frac{\partial}{\partial \tau^i} \right] \mathfrak{s}(E) = 0,$$

where we set $c_1(X) = \sum_{i=0}^N \rho^i \phi_i$. A key property of $\mathfrak{s}(E)$ is that the pairing

$$(\mathfrak{s}(E)(\tau, e^{-\pi i} z), \mathfrak{s}(F)(\tau, z))$$

equals the T -equivariant Euler pairing $z^{-\deg/2}(2\pi\mathbf{i})^{\deg/2}\chi(E, F)$, where $\chi(E, F) = \sum_{i=0}^D (-1)^i \text{ch}^T(\text{Ext}^i(E, F)) \in H_T^{**}(\text{pt})$. This follows from an appropriate equivariant Hirzebruch–Riemann–Roch formula. See [9, Section 2–3] for more details.

The T -equivariant K -group is a module over $K_T^0(\text{pt}) = \mathbb{C}[T]$ and the Chern character $\text{ch}^T: K_T^0(\text{pt}) \rightarrow H_T^{**}(\text{pt})$ can be viewed as the pull-back by the universal covering $\text{exp}: \text{Lie}(T) = \mathbb{C}^m \rightarrow T = (\mathbb{C}^\times)^m$. A deck-transformation of this covering is given by the shift² of equivariant parameters $\lambda_j \rightarrow \lambda_j + 2\pi\mathbf{i}$. This suggests that $\mathfrak{s}(E)$ should be “invariant” under integral shifts of equivariant parameters.

Proposition 3.18 *When the Novikov variable Q is set to be one, the flat section $\mathfrak{s}(E)$ is invariant under the shift operator:*

$$\mathbb{S}_k \mathfrak{s}(E) = \mathfrak{s}(E)$$

for every seminegative $k \in \text{Hom}(\mathbb{C}^\times, T)$.

Proof As is discussed in [9, Section 3], the divisor equation shows that the specialization $Q = 1$ of the Novikov variable is well-defined for $\mathfrak{s}(E)$. In view of the intertwining property in Theorem 3.14, it suffices to show that

$$\tilde{\mathcal{S}}_k(z^{-\mu} z^{c_1(X)} \widehat{\Gamma}_X(2\pi\mathbf{i})^{\deg/2} \text{ch}(E)) = z^{-\mu} z^{c_1(X)} \widehat{\Gamma}_X(2\pi\mathbf{i})^{\deg/2} \text{ch}(E).$$

The restriction to the T -fixed component F_i gives

$$\begin{aligned} & [z^{-\mu} z^{c_1(X)} \widehat{\Gamma}_X(2\pi\mathbf{i})^{\deg/2} \text{ch}(E)]_{F_i} \\ &= z^{D/2} z^{c_1(F_i)/z} (z^{-\frac{\deg}{2}} \widehat{\Gamma}_{F_i}) \left(\prod_{\alpha} \prod_{j=1}^{\text{rank } N_{\alpha,i}} z^{(\rho_{i,\alpha,j} + \alpha)/z} \Gamma \left(1 + \frac{\rho_{i,\alpha,j}}{z} + \frac{\alpha}{z} \right) \right) \sum_{\epsilon} e^{2\pi\mathbf{i}\epsilon/z}, \end{aligned}$$

where ϵ ranges over T -equivariant Chern roots of E and we use the notation from Definition 3.13. The conclusion easily follows from the identity $\Gamma(1+z) = z\Gamma(z)$. \square

4 Toric mirror theorem

In this section we give a new proof of a mirror theorem [14] for toric manifolds.

²The shift by $2\pi\mathbf{i}$ is superseded by the shift by z because of the operators $z^{-\mu}$ and $(2\pi\mathbf{i})^{\deg/2}$.

4.1 Toric manifolds

We fix notation for toric manifolds. For background materials on toric manifolds, we refer the reader to [28; 2; 11]. Let $N \cong \mathbb{Z}^D$ denote a lattice. A toric manifold is given by a rational simplicial fan Σ in the vector space $N_{\mathbb{R}} = N \otimes \mathbb{R}$. We assume that

- each cone σ of Σ is generated by part of a \mathbb{Z} -basis of N ;
- the support $|\Sigma| = \bigcup_{\sigma \in \Sigma} \sigma$ of Σ is convex and full-dimensional;
- Σ admits a strictly convex piecewise linear function $\eta: |\Sigma| \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$.

These assumptions ensure that the corresponding toric variety X_{Σ} is smooth and satisfies the hypotheses in Section 2.1. We do not require that X is compact, or $c_1(X)$ is semipositive. Let $b_1, \dots, b_m \in N$ be primitive integral generators of one-dimensional cones of Σ . Let $\beta: \mathbb{Z}^m \rightarrow N$ be the homomorphism sending the standard basis vector $e_i \in \mathbb{Z}^m$ to b_i . The fan sequence is the exact sequence

$$0 \rightarrow \mathbb{L} \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}^m \xrightarrow{\beta} N \rightarrow 0$$

with $\mathbb{L} = \text{Ker}(\beta)$. Set $K = \mathbb{L} \otimes \mathbb{C}^{\times}$. The inclusion $\mathbb{L} \hookrightarrow \mathbb{Z}^m$ induces the inclusion $K \hookrightarrow (\mathbb{C}^{\times})^m$ of tori and defines a linear K -action on \mathbb{C}^m . The toric variety associated to Σ is given by the GIT quotient

$$X_{\Sigma} = U/K, \quad U = \mathbb{C}^m \setminus Z,$$

where $Z \subset \mathbb{C}^m$ is the common zero set of monomials $z^I = z_{i_1} \cdots z_{i_k}$ with $I = \{i_1, \dots, i_k\}$ such that $\{b_i : 1 \leq i \leq m, i \notin I\}$ spans a cone in Σ . We consider the T -action on X_{Σ} induced by the $T = (\mathbb{C}^{\times})^m$ -action on \mathbb{C}^m .

Let $\lambda_i \in H_T^2(\text{pt}) \cong \text{Lie}(T)^*$ denote the class corresponding to the i^{th} projection $T \rightarrow \mathbb{C}^{\times}$. We have

$$H_T^*(\text{pt}) = \mathbb{C}[\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_m].$$

All the T -weights of $H^0(X_{\Sigma}, \mathcal{O})$ are contained in the cone $\sum_{i=1}^m \mathbb{R}_{\geq 0}(-\lambda_i)$ and therefore the condition (2) in Section 2.1 is satisfied. A cocharacter $k: \mathbb{C}^{\times} \rightarrow T$ is seminegative in the sense of Definition 3.3 if $\lambda_i \cdot k \geq 0$ for all $i = 1, \dots, m$.

Let $u_i \in H_T^2(X_{\Sigma})$ denote the class of the torus-invariant divisor $\{z_i = 0\}$ defined as the vanishing set of the i^{th} coordinate z_i on \mathbb{C}^m . The T -equivariant cohomology ring of X_{Σ} is generated by these classes:

$$H_T^*(X_{\Sigma}) \cong H_T^*(\text{pt})[u_1, \dots, u_m]/(\mathfrak{I}_1 + \mathfrak{I}_2),$$

where \mathfrak{I}_1 is the ideal generated by $\prod_{i \in I} u_i$ such that $\{b_i : i \in I\}$ does not span a cone in Σ and \mathfrak{I}_2 is the ideal generated by $\sum_{i=1}^m \chi(b_i)(u_i - \lambda_i)$ with $\chi \in \text{Hom}(N, \mathbb{Z})$.

4.2 Mirror theorem

Define a cohomology-valued hypergeometric series $I(y, z)$ by the formula

$$I(y, z) = ze^{\sum_{i=1}^m u_i \log y_i / z} \sum_{d \in \text{Eff}(X_\Sigma)} \left(\prod_{i=1}^m \frac{\prod_{c=-\infty}^0 (u_i + cz)}{\prod_{c=-\infty}^{u_i \cdot d} (u_i + cz)} \right) Q^d y_1^{u_1 \cdot d} \dots y_m^{u_m \cdot d}.$$

This formula defines an element of $H_T^*(X_\Sigma)_{\text{loc}}[[Q]][[\log y]]$. We may write $I(y, z)$ as a sum over $H_2(X_\Sigma, \mathbb{Z})$ since the summand automatically vanishes if $d \notin \text{Eff}(X_\Sigma)$.

Givental’s mirror theorem [14] (generalized later in [24; 19; 5]) states the following:

Theorem 4.1 *The function $I(y, -z)$ lies on the Givental cone associated to genus-zero Gromov–Witten theory of X_Σ .*

We explain the meaning of the statement. The *Givental cone* \mathcal{L} [15] is a subset of $H_T^*(X_\Sigma)_{\text{loc}}[[Q]]$ consisting of points of the form

$$(4-1) \quad -z + \mathbf{t}(z) + \sum_{i=0}^N \sum_{n=0}^\infty \sum_{d \in \text{Eff}(X_\Sigma)} \frac{Q^d}{n!} \left\langle \frac{\phi^i}{-z - \psi}, \mathbf{t}(\psi), \dots, \mathbf{t}(\psi) \right\rangle_{0, n+1, d}^{X, T} \phi_i$$

with $\mathbf{t}(z) \in H_T^*(X_\Sigma)[[Q]] = H_T^*(X_\Sigma)[z][[Q]]$. The Givental cone \mathcal{L} can be written as the graph of the differential of the genus-zero descendant Gromov–Witten potential, and encodes all genus-zero descendant Gromov–Witten invariants. **Theorem 4.1** says that $I(y, z)$ is of the form (4-1) for some $\mathbf{t}(z) \in H_T^*(X_\Sigma)[z][[Q]][[\log y]]$ with $\mathbf{t}(z)|_{Q=\log y=0} = 0$. For toric manifolds, the above I -function determines the Givental cone and hence all the genus-zero Gromov–Witten invariants completely.

In this paper, we use an alternative description [15] of the Givental cone \mathcal{L} . We can write \mathcal{L} as the union

$$\mathcal{L} = \bigcup_{\tau \in H_T^*(X_\Sigma)[[Q]]} zT_\tau$$

of the semi-infinite subspaces $T_\tau = M(\tau, -z)H_T(X_\Sigma)[z][[Q]]$, where $M(\tau, -z)$ denotes the fundamental solution from **Proposition 2.2** with the sign of z flipped. The subspace T_τ is a (common) tangent space to \mathcal{L} along $zT_\tau \subset \mathcal{L}$. Therefore, it suffices to show that $I(y, z)$ can be written in the form

$$I(y, z) = zM(\tau(y), z)\Upsilon(y, z)$$

for some $\tau(y) \in H_T^*(X_\Sigma)[[Q]][[\log y]]$ and $\Upsilon(y, z) \in H_T^*(X_\Sigma)[z][[Q]][[\log y]]$.

4.3 Proof

The idea of the proof is as follows. Let e_i denote the cocharacter $\mathbb{C}^\times \rightarrow T = (\mathbb{C}^\times)^m$ given by the inclusion of the i^{th} factor. Let $\mathbb{S}_i = \mathbb{S}_{e_i}$ and $\mathcal{S}_i = \mathcal{S}_{e_i}$ denote the corresponding shift operators. In view of [Theorem 3.14](#), the shift operator \mathcal{S}_i defines a vector field on the Givental cone \mathcal{L} ,

$$(4-2) \quad f \mapsto z^{-1} \mathcal{S}_i f \in T_f \mathcal{L}.$$

These vector fields define commuting flows by [Corollary 3.16](#). We will identify the I -function with an integral submanifold of these vector fields.

Consider the \mathbb{C}^\times -action on X_Σ induced by the cocharacter $e_i \in \text{Hom}(\mathbb{C}^\times, T)$. The minimal fixed component F_{\min} for this \mathbb{C}^\times -action is the toric divisor $\{z_i = 0\}$. Let $E_i = E_{e_i}$ denote the associated bundle. For a fixed point $x \in X_\Sigma^T$, we set $d_i(x) = \sigma_x - \sigma_{\min} \in H_2(X_\Sigma, \mathbb{Z})$, where $\sigma_x \in H_2^{\text{sec}}(E_k)$ is the section (3-2) of E_i associated to x and $\sigma_{\min} \in H_2^{\text{sec}}(E_k)$ is the minimal section class of E_i . We write $u_j(x) \in H_T^2(\text{pt})$ for the restriction of u_j to x .

Lemma 4.2 *With the notation as above, we have*

$$u_j(x) \cdot e_i = \delta_{ij} - u_j \cdot d_i(x).$$

Proof Consider the \widehat{T} -invariant divisor $\{z_j = 0\} \times \mathbb{P}^1$ in E_i and let \widehat{u}_j denote the \widehat{T} -equivariant Poincaré dual of the divisor. Then we have $\widehat{u}_j|_{(x, [1, 0])} = u_j(x)$ and $\widehat{u}_j|_{(x, [0, 1])} = u_j(x) + (u_j(x) \cdot e_i)z$. The localization formula gives

$$\widehat{u}_j \cdot \sigma_x = \frac{\widehat{u}_j|_{(x, [1, 0])}}{z} + \frac{\widehat{u}_j|_{(x, [0, 1])}}{-z} = -u_j(x) \cdot e_i.$$

Similarly we have $\widehat{u}_j \cdot \sigma_{\min} = -u_j(y) \cdot e_i$ for any T -fixed point y in the divisor $F_{\min} = \{z_i = 0\}$. If $i \neq j$, taking y away from $\{z_j = 0\}$, we get $u_j(y) = 0$. If $i = j$, $u_j(y) \cdot e_i = 1$. Therefore $\widehat{u}_j \cdot \sigma_{\min} = -\delta_{ij}$. The conclusion follows. \square

Lemma 4.3 *The I -function is an integral curve of the vector field (4-2), that is, for $i \in \{1, \dots, m\}$, we have*

$$z \frac{\partial}{\partial y_i} I(y, z) = \mathcal{S}_i I(y, z).$$

Proof Note that all the T -fixed points on X_Σ are isolated. Let $x \in X^T$ be a fixed point. It suffices to show that

$$z \frac{\partial}{\partial y_i} I_x(y, z) = \Delta_x(e_i) e^{-z \partial_{\lambda_i}} I_x(y, z),$$

where $I_x(y, z)$ is the restriction of the I -function to x and

$$\Delta_x(e_i) = Q^{d_i(x)} \prod_{j=1}^m \frac{\prod_{c=-\infty}^0 (u_j(x) + cz)}{\prod_{c=-\infty}^{-u_j(x) \cdot e_i} (u_j(x) + cz)}.$$

Using Lemma 4.2, we have

$$\begin{aligned} &\Delta_x(e_i) e^{-z \partial \lambda_i} I_x(y, z) \\ &= z e^{\sum_{j=1}^m u_j(x) \log y_j / z} e^{-\log y_i + \sum_{j=1}^m (u_j \cdot d_i(x)) \log y_j} Q^{d_i(x)} \\ &\quad \times \sum_{d \in H_2(X_\Sigma, \mathbb{Z})} \left(\prod_{j=1}^m \frac{\prod_{c=-\infty}^0 (u_j(x) + cz)}{\prod_{c=-\infty}^{-u_j(x) \cdot e_i} (u_j(x) + cz)} \frac{\prod_{c=-\infty}^{-u_j(x) \cdot e_i} (u_j(x) + cz)}{\prod_{c=-\infty}^{u_j \cdot d - u_j(x) \cdot e_i} (u_j(x) + cz)} \right) Q^d y^d, \end{aligned}$$

where $y^d = \prod_{j=1}^m y_j^{u_j \cdot d}$. Changing variables $d \rightarrow d - d_i(x)$ and again using Lemma 4.2, we find that this equals $z \partial I(y, z) / \partial y_i$. \square

We identify the classical shift operators:

Notation 4.4 We set $v_i := u_i - \lambda_i \in H_T^2(X_\Sigma)$ and write $v_i(x) \in H_T^2(\text{pt})$ for the restriction of v_i to a T -fixed point x .

Lemma 4.5 Let $f(v, \lambda)$ be a cohomology class in $H_T^*(X_\Sigma)$ expressed as a polynomial in v_1, \dots, v_m and $\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_m$. When we write $\tau \in H_T^*(X_\Sigma)$ as a polynomial $\tau(v, \lambda)$ in v_1, \dots, v_m and $\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_m$, we have

$$\lim_{Q \rightarrow 0} \mathbb{S}_i(\tau) f(v, \lambda) = u_i e^{(\tau(v, \lambda - e_i z) - \tau(v, \lambda)) / z} f(v, \lambda - z e_i),$$

where $\lambda - z e_i = (\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_{i-1}, \lambda_i - z, \lambda_{i+1}, \dots, \lambda_m)$. In particular, the classical Seidel elements are given by

$$\lim_{Q \rightarrow 0} \mathbb{S}_i(\tau) = u_i e^{-\partial \tau(v, \lambda) / \partial \lambda_i}.$$

Proof Recall from Theorem 3.14 that we have $\mathbb{S}_i \circ M(\tau) = M(\tau) \circ \mathbb{S}_i(\tau)$. Since $\lim_{Q \rightarrow 0} M(\tau) = e^{\tau/z}$, we have

$$\lim_{Q \rightarrow 0} \mathbb{S}_i(\tau) f(v, \lambda) = e^{-\tau/z} \left(\lim_{Q \rightarrow 0} \mathbb{S}_i \right) e^{\tau/z} f(v, \lambda).$$

By definition of \mathbb{S}_i , this vanishes when restricted to a fixed point outside of the minimal fixed component $\{z_i = 0\}$ with respect to e_i . On the other hand, for any T -fixed point x in $\{z_i = 0\}$, Lemma 4.2 implies that $u_j(x) \cdot e_i = \delta_{ij}$ and $v_j(x) \cdot e_i = 0$, and thus

$$\begin{aligned} \lim_{Q \rightarrow 0} \mathbb{S}_i(\tau) f(v, \lambda) \Big|_x &= e^{-\tau(v(x), \lambda) / z} u_i(x) e^{-z \partial \lambda_i} [e^{\tau(v(x), \lambda) / z} f(v(x), \lambda)] \\ &= u_i(x) e^{(\tau(v(x), \lambda - e_i z) - \tau(v(x), \lambda)) / z} f(v(x), \lambda - e_i z), \end{aligned}$$

where we set $v(x) = (v_1(x), \dots, v_m(x))$. The conclusion follows. \square

Lemma 4.6 *Let x be a T -fixed point on X_Σ . The restriction $u_j(x)$ is a linear combination of λ_i such that x does not lie on the divisor $\{z_i = 0\}$.*

Proof Note that if x does not lie on the divisor $\{z_i = 0\}$, we have $u_i(x) = 0$ and thus $v_i(x) = -\lambda_i$. This together with the linear relation $\sum_{i=1}^m \chi(b_i)v_i = 0$, $\chi \in \text{Hom}(N, \mathbb{Z})$ determines $v_1(x), \dots, v_m(x)$ uniquely. This implies the conclusion. \square

Let $\bar{\mathcal{L}} = \mathcal{L}|_{z \rightarrow -z}$ denote the Givental cone with the sign of z flipped. By the description in Section 4.2, we have a parametrization of the Givental cone $\bar{\mathcal{L}}$ by $(\tau, \Upsilon) \in H_T^*(X) \times H_T^*(X) = H_T^*(X) \times H_T^*(X)[z]$ as

$$(\tau, \Upsilon) \mapsto zM(\tau, z)\Upsilon \in \bar{\mathcal{L}}.$$

The vector field (4-2) on $\bar{\mathcal{L}}$ corresponds to the vector field on $H_T^*(X) \times H_T^*(X)[z]$,

$$(V_i)_{\tau, \Upsilon} = (S_i(\tau), [z^{-1}S_i(\tau)]_+ \Upsilon),$$

where $S_i(\tau)$ is the Seidel element in Definition 3.17 and $[\dots]_+$ means the projection to the polynomial part in z , ie $[z^{-1}S_i(\tau)]_+ \Upsilon = z^{-1}S_i(\tau)\Upsilon - z^{-1}S_i(\tau) \star_\tau \Upsilon$. In fact, if we have a curve $t \mapsto (\tau(t), \Upsilon(t))$ with $\tau'(0) = S_i(\tau(0))$ and $\Upsilon'(0) = [z^{-1}S_i(\tau(0))]_+ \Upsilon(0)$, the corresponding curve $f(t) = zM(\tau(t), z)\Upsilon(t)$ on $\bar{\mathcal{L}}$ satisfies

$$\begin{aligned} f'(0) &= M(\tau(0), z)(S_i(\tau(0)) \star_{\tau(0)} \Upsilon(0)) + zM(\tau(0), z)[z^{-1}S_i(\tau(0))]_+ \Upsilon(0) \\ &= M(\tau(0), z)S_i(\tau(0))\Upsilon(0) = z^{-1}S_i f(0), \end{aligned}$$

where we used $z\partial_i M(\tau, z) = M(\tau, z)(\phi_i \star_\tau)$ in the first line and Theorem 3.14 in the second line. Since the vector fields (4-2) commute each other, the corresponding vector fields V_i for $i = 1, \dots, m$ also commute each other. In what follows, we show the existence of an integral curve for the vector field V_i with prescribed asymptotics.

Proposition 4.7 *There exist unique functions*

$$\tau(y) \in H_T^*(X_\Sigma)[[Q]][[\log y]] \quad \text{and} \quad \Upsilon(y, z) \in H_T^*(X_\Sigma)[z][[Q]][[\log y]]$$

which are of the form

$$\begin{aligned} \tau(y) &= \sum_{i=1}^m u_i \log y_i + \sum_{d \in \text{Eff}(X_\Sigma), d \neq 0} Q^d y^d \tau_d, \\ \Upsilon(y, z) &= 1 + \sum_{d \in \text{Eff}(X_\Sigma), d \neq 0} Q^d y^d \Upsilon_d, \end{aligned}$$

with $y^d = \prod_{j=1}^m y_j^{u_j \cdot d}$ and give an integral curve for the vector field V_i :

$$\frac{\partial \tau(y)}{\partial y_i} = S_i(\tau(y)) \quad \text{and} \quad \frac{\partial \Upsilon(y, z)}{\partial y_i} = [z^{-1} S_i(\tau(y))]_+ \Upsilon(y, z)$$

for all $1 \leq i \leq m$.

Proof Write $\tau(y) = \sum_{j=1}^m u_j \log y_j + \tau'$. The divisor equation in Remark 3.12 gives

$$S_i(\tau(y)) = y_i^{-1} S_i(\tau'; Qy),$$

where $S_i(\sigma; Qy)$ is obtained from $S_i(\sigma)$ by replacing Q^d with $Q^d y^d$. Therefore we need to solve the differential equations

$$(4-3) \quad y_i \frac{\partial \tau'}{\partial y_i} = S_i(\tau'; Qy) - u_i \quad \text{and} \quad y_i \frac{\partial \Upsilon}{\partial y_i} = [z^{-1} S_i(\tau'; Qy)]_+ \Upsilon.$$

We expand

$$\tau' = \sum_{d \in \text{Eff}(X_\Sigma), d \neq 0} \tilde{\tau}_d(y) Q^d, \quad \Upsilon = \sum_{d \in \text{Eff}(X_\Sigma)} \tilde{\Upsilon}_d(y) Q^d,$$

with $\tilde{\Upsilon}_0(y) = 1$ and solve for the coefficients $\tilde{\tau}_d(y)$ and $\tilde{\Upsilon}_d(y)$ recursively. Note that (4-3) holds true mod Q by Lemma 4.5.

First we solve for τ' . Choose a Kähler class ω such that $\omega \cdot d_1 = \omega \cdot d_2$ for $d_1, d_2 \in \text{Eff}(X_\Sigma)$ if and only if $d_1 = d_2$. This defines a positive real grading on the Novikov ring $\mathbb{C}[[Q]]$ such that $\deg Q^d = \omega \cdot d$. Take $d_0 \in \text{Eff}(X_\Sigma) \setminus \{0\}$. Suppose by induction that there exist $\tilde{\tau}_d$ for all d with $\omega \cdot d < \omega \cdot d_0$ such that $\tilde{\tau}_d = \tau_d y^d$ for some $\tau_d \in H_T^*(X)$ and that $\tau' = \sum_{\omega \cdot d < \omega \cdot d_0} \tilde{\tau}_d Q^d$ satisfies the differential equation (4-3) modulo terms of degree $\geq \omega \cdot d_0$. We write τ_d as a polynomial in v_1, \dots, v_m and $\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_m$. Comparing the coefficients of Q^{d_0} of the differential equation, we obtain using Lemma 4.5 that

$$y_i \frac{\partial \tilde{\tau}_{d_0}}{\partial y_i} + u_i \frac{\partial \tilde{\tau}_{d_0}}{\partial \lambda_i} = \left(\begin{array}{c} \text{an expression in } \tilde{\tau}_d \\ \text{with } \omega \cdot d < \omega \cdot d_0 \end{array} \right).$$

Here the right-hand side is of the form $g_i(v, \lambda) y^{d_0}$ by the induction hypothesis, where $g_i(v, \lambda)$ is a polynomial in v_1, \dots, v_m and $\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_m$. Setting $\tilde{\tau}_{d_0} = \tau_{d_0} y^{d_0}$, we obtain

$$(u_i \cdot d_0) \tau_{d_0} + (v_i + \lambda_i) \frac{\partial \tau_{d_0}}{\partial \lambda_i} = g_i(v, \lambda).$$

The Kähler class can be written as a nonnegative linear combination of u_i , and thus there exists i_0 such that $u_{i_0} \cdot d_0 > 0$. Then we can solve for the polynomial $\tau_{d_0} = \tau_{d_0}(v, \lambda)$

from the above equation with $i = i_0$ recursively from the highest-order term in λ_{i_0} . Setting $\tau(y) = \sum_i u_i \log y_i + \sum_{\omega \cdot d \leq \omega \cdot d_0} \tau_d y^d Q^d$, we have

$$\frac{\partial \tau(y)}{\partial y_i} \equiv S_i(\tau(y))$$

modulo terms of degree $\geq \omega \cdot d_0$ for $i \neq i_0$ and modulo terms of degree $> \omega \cdot d_0$ for $i = i_0$. The commutativity of the flow implies that we have, for $i \neq i_0$,

$$\begin{aligned} (4-4) \quad \frac{\partial}{\partial y_{i_0}} \left(\frac{\partial \tau}{\partial y_i} - S_i(\tau(y)) \right) &= \frac{\partial^2 \tau(y)}{\partial y_i \partial y_{i_0}} - (d \frac{\partial \tau(y)}{\partial y_{i_0}} S_i)(\tau(y)) \\ &\equiv \frac{\partial S_{i_0}(\tau(y))}{\partial y_i} - (d S_{i_0}(\tau(y)) S_i)(\tau(y)) \\ &= (d \frac{\partial \tau(y)}{\partial y_i} S_{i_0})(\tau(y)) - (d S_{i_0}(\tau(y)) S_i)(\tau(y)) \\ &= (d \frac{\partial \tau(y)}{\partial y_i} - S_i(\tau(y)) S_{i_0})(\tau(y)) \end{aligned}$$

modulo terms of degree $> \omega \cdot d_0$. Using the divisor equation again, we have

$$y_i \left(\frac{\partial \tau(y)}{\partial y_i} - S_i(\tau(y)) \right) = u_i + y_i \frac{\partial \tau'}{\partial y_i} - S_i(\tau'; Qy).$$

Modulo terms of degree $> \omega \cdot d_0$, this is $\alpha(Qy)^{d_0}$ for some $\alpha = \alpha(v, \lambda) \in H_T^*(X)$. Now the coefficient of Q^{d_0} of (4-4) gives (by Lemma 4.5)

$$(u_{i_0} \cdot d_0)\alpha + u_{i_0} \frac{\partial \alpha}{\partial \lambda_{i_0}} = 0.$$

We want to show that $\alpha = 0$ as a cohomology class. Consider the restriction $\alpha(x)$ of α to a T -fixed point $x \in X_\Sigma$. If x lies in the divisor $\{z_{i_0} = 0\}$, then $v_j(x) \in H_T^2(\text{pt})$ is a linear combination of $\lambda_{j'}$ with $j' \neq i_0$ by Lemma 4.6. Thus

$$(4-5) \quad \frac{\partial \alpha}{\partial \lambda_{i_0}} \Big|_x = \frac{\partial \alpha(x)}{\partial \lambda_{i_0}}.$$

If x is not in the divisor $\{z_{i_0} = 0\}$, then $u_{i_0}(x) = 0$. Therefore, by restricting to x , we have

$$(u_{i_0} \cdot d)\alpha(x) + u_{i_0}(x) \frac{\partial \alpha(x)}{\partial \lambda_{i_0}} = 0.$$

This shows that $\alpha(x) = 0$ recursively from the highest-order term in λ_{i_0} . Note that the same argument shows the uniqueness of τ_{d_0} . This completes the induction.

Next we solve for Υ assuming that τ' is already solved. Let ω be a Kähler class as above and $d_0 \in \text{Eff}(X_\Sigma)$ be a nonzero effective class. Suppose by induction that there exist $\tilde{\Upsilon}_d$ for all d with $\omega \cdot d < \omega \cdot d_0$ such that $\tilde{\Upsilon}_d = \Upsilon_d y^d$ and that $\Upsilon = \sum_{\omega \cdot d < \omega \cdot d_0} \tilde{\Upsilon}_d Q^d$

satisfies the differential equation (4-3) modulo terms of degree $\geq \omega \cdot d_0$. We regard Υ_d as a polynomial in v_1, \dots, v_m and $\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_m$. Comparing the coefficients of Q^{d_0} of the differential equation and using Lemma 4.5, we obtain

$$y_i \frac{\partial \tilde{\Upsilon}_{d_0}(v, \lambda)}{\partial y_i} - (v_i + \lambda_i)z^{-1}(\tilde{\Upsilon}_{d_0}(v, \lambda - e_i z) - \tilde{\Upsilon}_{d_0}(v, \lambda)) = \left(\begin{array}{l} \text{an expression in } \tilde{\Upsilon}_d \\ \text{with } \omega \cdot d < \omega \cdot d_0 \end{array} \right).$$

Here the right-hand side is of the form $g_i(v, \lambda)y^{d_0}$ for some polynomial $g_i(v, \lambda)$ in v_1, \dots, v_m and $\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_m$. Setting $\tilde{\Upsilon}_{d_0} = \Upsilon_{d_0}y^{d_0}$, we have

$$(u_i \cdot d_0)\Upsilon_{d_0}(v, \lambda) - (v_i + \lambda_i)z^{-1}(\Upsilon_{d_0}(v, \lambda - e_i z) - \Upsilon_{d_0}(v, \lambda)) = g_i(v, \lambda).$$

As before, we can find i_0 such that $u_{i_0} \cdot d_0 > 0$. We can solve for $\Upsilon_{d_0}(v, \lambda)$ recursively from the highest order term in λ_{i_0} using this equation with $i = i_0$. Setting $\Upsilon = \sum_{\omega \cdot d \leq \omega \cdot d_0} \Upsilon_d Q^d$, we have

$$\frac{\partial \Upsilon(y)}{\partial y_i} \equiv [z^{-1}\mathbb{S}_i(\tau(y))]_+ \Upsilon(y)$$

modulo terms of degree $\geq \omega \cdot d_0$ for $i \neq i_0$ and modulo terms of degree $> \omega \cdot d_0$ for $i = i_0$. We have, for $i \neq i_0$,

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{\partial}{\partial y_{i_0}} \left(\frac{\partial \Upsilon(y)}{\partial y_i} - [z^{-1}\mathbb{S}_i(\tau(y))]_+ \Upsilon(y) \right) \\ &= \frac{\partial^2 \Upsilon(y)}{\partial y_i \partial y_{i_0}} - \frac{\partial}{\partial y_{i_0}} [z^{-1}\mathbb{S}_i(\tau(y))]_+ \Upsilon(y) \\ &\equiv \frac{\partial}{\partial y_i} [z^{-1}\mathbb{S}_{i_0}(\tau(y))]_+ \Upsilon(y) - \frac{\partial}{\partial y_{i_0}} [z^{-1}\mathbb{S}_i(\tau(y))]_+ \Upsilon(y) \\ &\equiv [z^{-1}(d_{\mathbb{S}_i(\tau(y))}\mathbb{S}_{i_0})(\tau(y))]_+ \Upsilon(y) + [z^{-1}\mathbb{S}_{i_0}(\tau(y))]_+ \frac{\partial \Upsilon(y)}{\partial y_i} \\ &\quad - [z^{-1}(d_{\mathbb{S}_{i_0}(\tau(y))}\mathbb{S}_i)(\tau(y))]_+ \Upsilon(y) - [z^{-1}\mathbb{S}_i(\tau(y))]_+ [z^{-1}\mathbb{S}_{i_0}(\tau(y))]_+ \Upsilon(y) \end{aligned}$$

modulo terms of degree $> \omega \cdot d_0$. The commutativity of the flows V_i for $i = 1, \dots, m$ implies, for $i \neq j$,

$$\begin{aligned} & [z^{-1}(d_{\mathbb{S}_i(\tau)}\mathbb{S}_j)(\tau)]_+ \Upsilon + [z^{-1}\mathbb{S}_j(\tau)]_+ [z^{-1}\mathbb{S}_i(\tau)]_+ \Upsilon \\ &= [z^{-1}(d_{\mathbb{S}_j(\tau)}\mathbb{S}_i)(\tau)]_+ \Upsilon + [z^{-1}\mathbb{S}_i(\tau)]_+ [z^{-1}\mathbb{S}_j(\tau)]_+ \Upsilon. \end{aligned}$$

Therefore we have

$$(4-6) \quad \frac{\partial}{\partial y_{i_0}} \left(\frac{\partial \Upsilon(y)}{\partial y_i} - [z^{-1}S_i(\tau(y))]_+ \Upsilon(y) \right) \\ \equiv [z^{-1}S_{i_0}(\tau(y))]_+ \left(\frac{\partial \Upsilon(y)}{\partial y_i} - [z^{-1}S_i(\tau(y))]_+ \Upsilon(y) \right)$$

modulo terms of degree $> \omega \cdot d_0$. By the divisor equation, we have

$$y_i \left(\frac{\partial \Upsilon(y)}{\partial y_i} - [z^{-1}S_i(\tau(y))]_+ \Upsilon(y) \right) = y_i \frac{\partial \Upsilon(y)}{\partial y_i} - [z^{-1}S_i(\tau'; Qy)]_+ \Upsilon(y).$$

This is of the form $\alpha(Qy)^{d_0}$ for some $\alpha = \alpha(v, \lambda, z) \in H_{\hat{T}}^*(X_{\Sigma})$, modulo terms of degree $> \omega \cdot d_0$. Hence the differential equation (4-6) implies via Lemma 4.5 that

$$(u_{i_0} \cdot d_0)\alpha - u_{i_0}z^{-1}(\alpha(v, \lambda - e_{i_0}z, z) - \alpha(v, \lambda, z)) = 0.$$

We want to show that $\alpha = 0$ in the cohomology group. By restricting this to a T -fixed point x and using a similar argument as before (see (4-5)), we obtain

$$(u_{i_0} \cdot d_0)\alpha(x) - (v_{i_0}(x) + \lambda_{i_0})z^{-1}(e^{-z\lambda_{i_0}}\alpha(x) - \alpha(x)) = 0$$

for the restriction $\alpha(x) \in H_{\hat{T}}^*(\text{pt})$ of α to x . We can easily see that $\alpha(x) = 0$ recursively from the highest-order term in λ_{i_0} . Therefore $\alpha = 0$. Note that the same argument also shows the uniqueness of Υ_{d_0} . This completes the induction and the proof. \square

We now come to the final step of the proof. Let $\tau(y)$, $\Upsilon(y, z)$ be as in Proposition 4.7. Then, as discussed in the paragraph preceding Proposition 4.7,

$$y \mapsto f(y) := zM(\tau(y), z)\Upsilon(y, z)$$

defines an integral manifold for the vector fields in (4-2). We shall show that $f(y) = I(y, z)$. Using the divisor equation for $M(\tau, z)$, we find that $f(y)$ is of the form

$$(4-7) \quad f(y) = ze^{\sum_{i=1}^m u_i \log y_i / z} \left(1 + \sum_{d \in \text{Eff}(X_{\Sigma}) \setminus \{0\}} f_d Q^d y^d \right)$$

with $f_d \in H_{\hat{T}}(X)_{\text{loc}}$. In view of Lemma 4.3, the following lemma shows that $f(y) = I(y, z)$ and completes the proof of Theorem 4.1.

Lemma 4.8 *The family of elements $y \mapsto f(y)$ of the form (4-7) satisfying $\partial_{y_i} f(y) = z^{-1}S_i f(y)$ for $i = 1, \dots, m$ is unique.*

Proof Suppose that we have two families $f_1(y)$ and $f_2(y)$ of elements of the form (4-7) satisfying $\partial_{y_i} f_j(y) = z^{-1}S_i f_j(y)$ for $j = 1, 2$ and $i = 1, 2, \dots, m$. The

difference $g(y) = f_1(y) - f_2(y)$ satisfies the same differential equation and is of the form

$$g(y) = ze^{\sum_{i=1}^m u_i \log y_i / z} \sum_{d \in \text{Eff}(X_\Sigma) \setminus \{0\}} g_d Q^d y^d.$$

Choose a Kähler class ω and suppose by induction that we know $g_d = 0$ for all $d \in \text{Eff}(X_\Sigma)$ with $\omega \cdot d < \omega \cdot d_0$ for some $d_0 \in \text{Eff}(X_\Sigma) \setminus \{0\}$. Let x be a T -fixed point. Let δ be the set of indices i such that x does not lie on the toric divisor $\{z_i = 0\}$. The Kähler class ω can be written as a positive linear combination of nonequivariant limits of u_i with $i \in \delta$. Therefore, there exists $i_0 \in \delta$ such that $u_{i_0} \cdot d_0 > 0$. The coefficient in front of Q^{d_0} of the equation $\partial_{y_{i_0}} g(y) = z^{-1} S_{i_0} g(y)$ restricted to the fixed point x gives

$$(u_{i_0} \cdot d_0) g_{d_0}(x) = 0$$

since x does not lie on the minimal fixed component $\{z_{i_0} = 0\}$ with respect to e_{i_0} . Therefore $g_{d_0}(x) = 0$. Since x is arbitrary, $g_{d_0} = 0$. This completes the induction and the proof. □

4.4 Example

Consider the toric variety $X_\Sigma = \mathbb{P}^{m-1}$. In this case we have m shift operators S_1, \dots, S_m corresponding to m toric divisors. It is well known that the mirror map $\tau(y)$ and the function $\Upsilon(y)$ are trivial:

$$\tau(y) = \sum_{i=1}^m u_i \log y_i, \quad \Upsilon(y) = 1.$$

Generalizing the differential equation in [Lemma 4.3](#), we can show that

$$S_{i_1} \cdots S_{i_a} I(y, z) = z \partial_{y_{i_1}} \cdots z \partial_{y_{i_a}} I(y, z)$$

when i_1, \dots, i_a are distinct. This together with the intertwining property $S_i \circ M(\tau, z) = M(\tau, z) \circ S_i(\tau)$ and the divisor equation $S_i(\tau(y)) = y_i^{-1} S_i(0; Qy)$ implies

$$S_{i_1}(0; Qy) \cdots S_{i_a}(0; Qy) 1 = z \nabla_{u_{i_1}} \cdots z \nabla_{u_{i_a}} 1|_{\tau(y)} = \begin{cases} u_{i_1} \cdots u_{i_a} & \text{if } a < m, \\ Qy_1 \cdots y_m & \text{if } a = m, \end{cases}$$

where i_1, \dots, i_a are distinct and $S_i(0; Qy)$ means $S_i(0)|_{Q \rightarrow Qy_1 \cdots y_m}$. This determines the action of $S_i(0)$ completely. Since the one-parameter subgroup $e_1 + \cdots + e_m$ acts on \mathbb{P}^{m-1} trivially, we have a relation $S_1(\tau) \circ \cdots \circ S_m(\tau) = Q$ by [Corollary 3.16](#). Writing $u_i = v + \lambda_i$ for $i = 1, \dots, m$, we recover the relation

$$(z \nabla_v + \lambda_1) \cdots (z \nabla_v + \lambda_m) 1|_{\tau=0} = Q$$

in the equivariant small quantum D -module of \mathbb{P}^{m-1} .

4.5 Remarks

We first note a relation to the results in [16]. Let X_Σ be a compact toric manifold such that $c_1(X_\Sigma)$ is nef. In this case, the mirror map $\tau(y)$ takes values in $H_T^2(X)$. We write

$$\tau(y) = \sum_{i=1}^m (\log y_i - g^i(y)) u_i$$

for some \mathbb{C} -valued functions $g^i(y)$. Using the divisor equation from Remark 3.12, the differential equation in Proposition 4.7 implies:

$$y_i \frac{\partial \tau(y)}{\partial y_i} = e^{g^i(y)} S_i(0; Q e^{\tau(y)}),$$

where we set $S_i(0; Q e^{\tau(y)}) = S_i(0)|_{Q \rightarrow Q e^{\tau(y)}}$. The left-hand side is called the Batyrev element in [16] and this recovers the relationship between the Seidel and the Batyrev elements in [16, Theorem 1.1].

We should also recover a mirror theorem for the extended I -function [7] by considering the shift operators corresponding to general seminegative cocharacters $k \in (\mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0})^m \subset \text{Hom}(\mathbb{C}^\times, T)$. It would be also interesting to see if our method can be generalized to toric orbifolds [7; 6], toric fibrations [5] or other T -varieties.

Notes added in proof The extended I -function for toric manifolds has been recovered in [21] by considering shift operators for arbitrary cocharacters k .

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