

Attractor indices, brane tilings and crystals

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- Part of the reason is that $\Omega(\gamma, z)$ depends on the moduli z in an intricate way, due to **wall-crossing phenomena** associated to BPS bound states with **any** number of constituents. The moduli space itself receives quantum corrections, unlike in $\mathcal{N} \geq 4$.

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- For D6-D2-D0 bound states for single unit of D6-brane charge at large volume, $\Omega(\gamma, z)$ are the standard **Donaldson-Thomas invariants**, related to higher-genus GW invariants.

Thomas'99; Maulik Nekrasov Okounkov Panharipande'04

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- In fact, unless the divisor P is irreducible, the generating series of VW invariants is expected to be a (vector-valued) **mock modular form**, with a precise modular anomaly.

Alexandrov Banerjee Manschot BP'16-19; Dabholkar Putrov Witten '20

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- The quiver Q and superpotential W are conveniently summarized by a **brane tiling**, or equivalently a **periodic quiver**. The **dimension vector** d and **stability parameters** ζ can be deduced from the Chern vector γ and CY moduli z .

Franco Hanany Kenneway Vegh Wecht'05

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- Other arguments, including computations of refined DT invariants for **trivial stability condition**.

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- In addition, one must specify **Fayet-Iliopoulos terms** ζ_ℓ such that $(\gamma, \zeta) := \sum_\ell N_\ell \zeta_\ell = 0$, and (in presence of closed oriented loops) a gauge invariant **superpotential** $W(\phi)$.

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- 'stable' means that $\mu(\gamma') < \mu(\gamma)$ for any proper subrepresentation with dimension vector $\gamma' < \gamma$, where $\mu(\gamma') = (\sum_\ell \zeta_\ell N'_\ell) / \sum N'_\ell$ is the slope. [King'94]

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- $\Omega(\gamma, y)$ also counts BPS states on Coulomb branch, but that interpretation is subtle due to scaling solutions.

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- For more general charges, it is useful to introduce the **rational invariants**

$$\bar{\Omega}(\gamma, y) = \sum_{m|\gamma} \frac{1}{m} \frac{y - 1/y}{y^m - 1/y^m} \Omega(\gamma/m, y^m)$$

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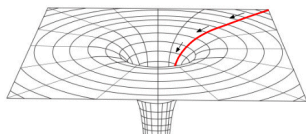
- The WC formula can be derived using localisation in the black hole supersymmetric quantum mechanics. Rational invariants $\bar{\Omega}(\gamma, y)$ arise as effective indices for particles with Boltzmann statistics.

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- For any dimension vector $\gamma = \sum_{\ell} N_{\ell} \gamma_{\ell}$, there is a particular choice of stability parameters

$$\zeta_k^*(\gamma) = -\gamma_{k\ell} N^{\ell} = -\langle \gamma_k, \gamma \rangle$$

known as **attractor point** or **self-stability** where bound states are ruled out. This is analogous to the attractor point for spherically symmetric black holes in $\mathcal{N} = 2$ supergravity.

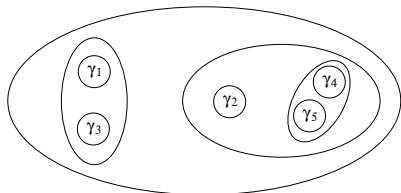
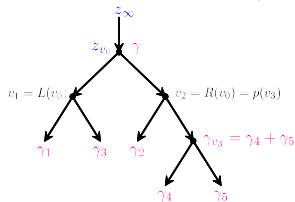


$$\begin{aligned} \text{Im}[e^{-i\alpha} X^{\Lambda}] &= q^{\Lambda} \\ \text{Im}[e^{-i\alpha} F_{\Lambda}] &= p_{\Lambda} \\ \Rightarrow \forall \gamma' \quad \text{Im}[e^{-i\alpha} Z_{\gamma'}] &= -\langle \gamma', \gamma \rangle \end{aligned}$$

Ferrara Kallosh Strominger'95

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- The full spectrum can be constructed as bound states of these attractor BPS states, labelled by **attractor flow trees**:



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- The flow tree formula is combinatorial, and does not require integrating the attractor flow ! It is now a mathematical theorem.

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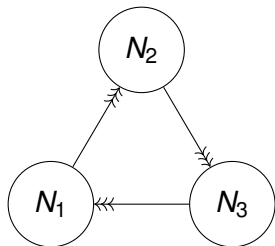
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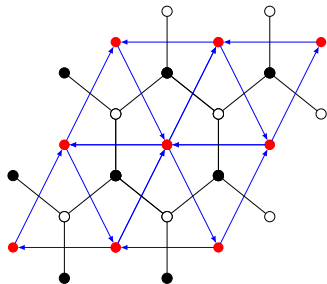
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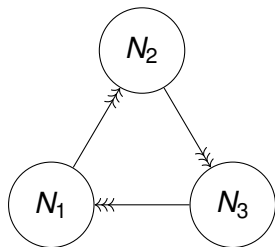
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[Le Potier'94]

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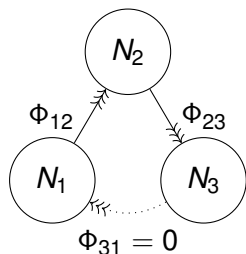
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Goettsche'90, Klyachko'91, Yoshioka'94, Manschot'11-14

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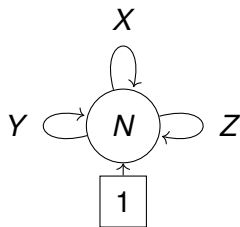
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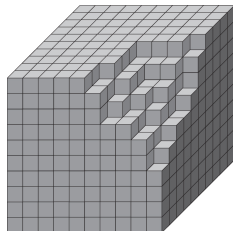
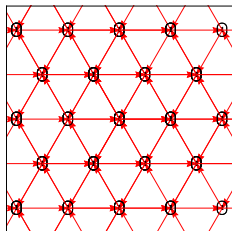
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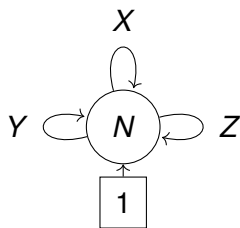


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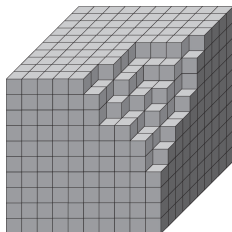
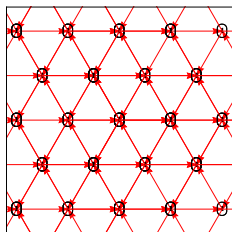


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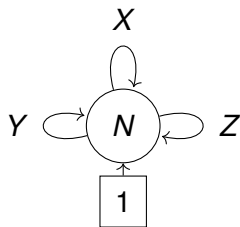
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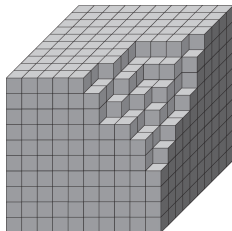
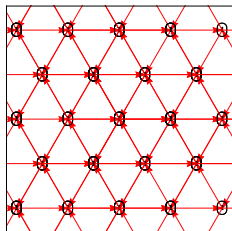
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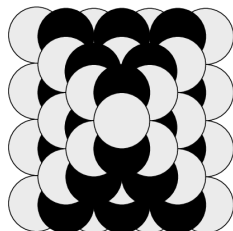
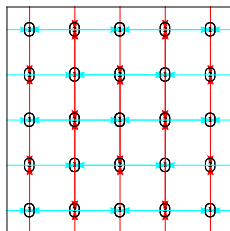
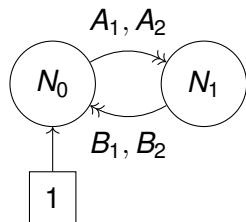


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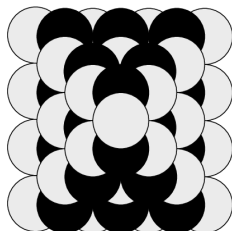
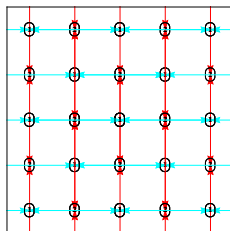
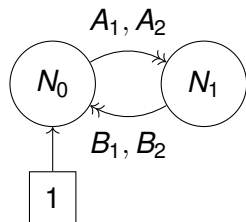


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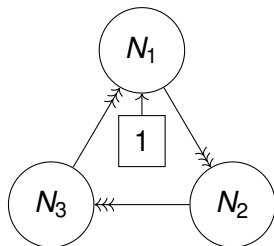
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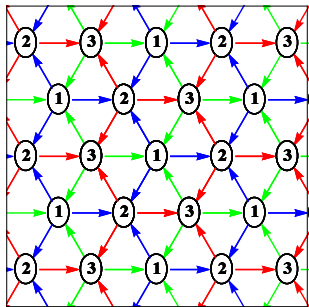
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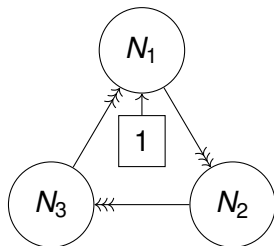
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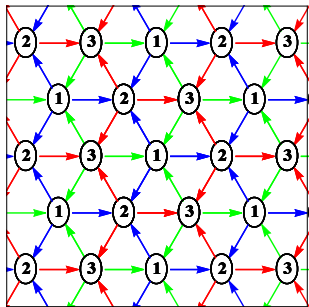
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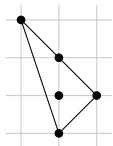
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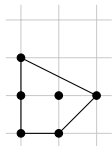
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- This strategy applies to any brane tiling and allows to determine the (unframed, unrefined) attractor indices by counting molten crystals.
- This confirms our conjecture for Fano surfaces, and indicates that the vanishing of all attractor indices except $\Omega_*(n\delta) = -\chi(X)$ also holds for smooth toric threefolds with more than one compact divisor. Eg: $\mathbb{C}_3/\mathbb{Z}_5$, $Y^{3,2}$, ...
- For singular toric threefolds, such that the boundary of the toric diagram contains lattice points in addition to the corners, one finds $\Omega_*(d) \neq 0$ for some d in the kernel of $\langle -, - \rangle$. Eg: \mathbb{F}_2 , PdP_2 , $\mathbb{C}^3/\mathbb{Z}_6$, ...

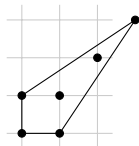
Toric CY threefolds



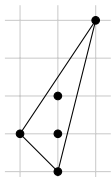
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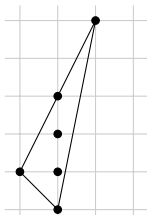
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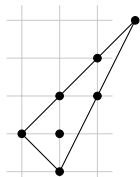
$\gamma^{3,2}$



$\mathbb{C}^3/\mathbb{Z}_5$



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NCDT invariants from attractor indices

- Assuming the conjecture holds, refined NCDT invariants can be computed for all d once we know $\Omega_*(n\delta, y)$. The latter can be extracted from the motivic D6-D0 invariants of X :

$$\Omega_*(n\delta, y) = (-y)^{-3} [\mathcal{X}] = -b_6/y^3 - b_4/y - yb_2 - y^3b_0$$

where b_i are Betti numbers for cohomology with compact support.

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- For toric CY threefold, $[\mathcal{X}]$ can be read off from the toric diagram:

$$\Omega_*(n\delta, y) = -y^{-3} - (i + b - 3)y^{-1} - iy$$

where i and b are the number of internal and boundary lattice points. For $y = 1$, $\Omega_*(n\delta) = -(2i + b - 2) = -\chi(\mathcal{X})$ is the number of triangles in the toric diagram, by Pick's theorem.

- The generating function of refined framed indices is

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- These invariants can be confirmed by computing (unframed, refined) DT invariants for trivial stability, and using wall-crossing.

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Thank you for your attention, and mind the wall !

