

# ***Toric Poisson Structures***

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# Poisson Structures

A *Poisson Structure* on  $M$  is  $\pi \in \Gamma(\wedge^2 TM) \simeq \Gamma(\wedge^2 T^*M)$  such that  $\{f, g\} := \pi(df, dg)$  defines a Lie bracket on  $C^\infty(M)$  ( $[\pi, \pi] = 0$ ).

Geometry of Poisson Structures:

- Anchor map:  $\pi^\# : T^*M \rightarrow TM$  defined by  $\langle \beta, \pi^\#(\alpha) \rangle = \pi(\alpha, \beta)$ .
- $\pi$  skew-symmetric  $\Rightarrow$  image of  $\pi^\#$  is even dimensional.
- $\pi^\#(T^*M)$  is a (generalized) distribution  $S(M)$  in  $TM$ .
- Jacobi identity for  $\{\cdot, \cdot\} \Rightarrow \pi^\#(T^*M)$  is integrable and the inverse 2-form along the leaves is closed.

Upshot:  $(M, \pi)$  is foliated by symplectic manifolds.

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Key Point: Interested in special examples.

# Goal of the construction

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$S(M)$	points	Co-Ad orbits	Bruhat Cells	one leaf = $M$
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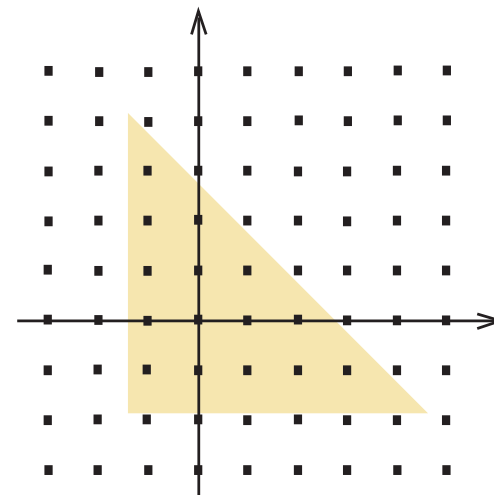
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# Symplectic vs. Algebraic Geometry

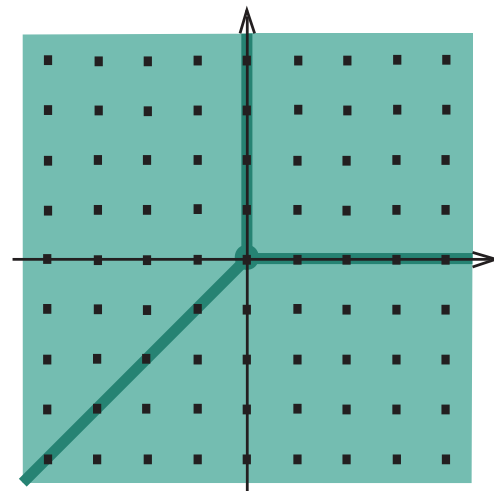
## Symplectic Geometry:

- $\Delta \subset \mathfrak{t}^*$  Delzant polytope with  $d$  facets.  
 $(X_\Delta, \omega_\Delta)$  = symplectic reduction of  $(\mathbb{C}^d, \omega_{\text{std}})$   
with respect to action of  $N \triangleleft \mathbb{T}^d$ .
- Torus  $N$  defined by “shape” of  $\Delta$ .
- Level determined by “size” of  $\Delta$ .



## Algebraic Geometry:

- $\Sigma$  = the dual fan of  $\Delta$  (“shape”)
- Smooth  $\mathbb{C}$ -variety  $X(\Sigma) = \mathbb{C}^d // N_{\mathbb{C}}$  with action  
of  $T_{\mathbb{C}} \simeq \mathbb{T}_{\mathbb{C}}^d / N_{\mathbb{C}}$  having an open dense orbit.
- Fact: compact  $X_\Delta$  is homeomorphic to  $X(\Sigma)$ .



# Construction of $\Pi_\Sigma$

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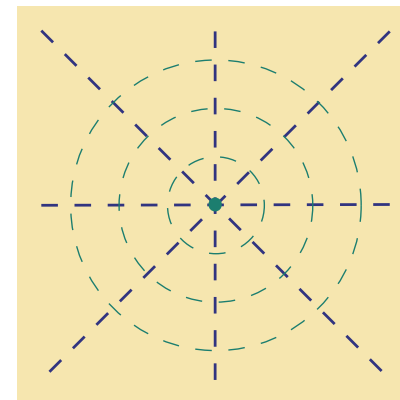
- $\pi = \sum_{\ell=1}^d i \partial_{\bar{z}_\ell} \wedge \partial_{z_\ell}$  is translation invariant under action of  $\mathbb{C}^d$ .
- $\Pi := \exp_*(\pi) = \sum_{\ell=1}^d i |z_\ell|^2 \partial_{\bar{z}_\ell} \wedge \partial_{z_\ell}$  extends smoothly to all of  $\mathbb{C}^d$ .
- $\Pi$  is invariant under action of  $\mathbb{T}_{\mathbb{C}}^d$ .
- $[\Pi, \Pi] = [\exp_*(\pi), \exp_*(\pi)] = \exp_*([\pi, \pi]) = 0$ .
- $\mathbb{C}^d // N_{\mathbb{C}}$  means  $\mathcal{U}_\Sigma / N_{\mathbb{C}}$  where  $\mathcal{U}_\Sigma \subset \mathbb{C}^d$  is the free locus of  $N_{\mathbb{C}}$  action.
- $\Pi_\Sigma$  is the Poisson structure on  $X(\Sigma)$  co-induced from  $\Pi$  by the quotient map  $\mathcal{U}_\Sigma \rightarrow \mathcal{U}_\Sigma / N_{\mathbb{C}}$ .

# Symplectic Leaves

**Theorem 1** *The symplectic leaves of  $(X(\Sigma), \Pi_\Sigma)$  are the orbits of  $T_{\mathbb{C}} \simeq \mathbb{T}^d / N_{\mathbb{C}}$ . In particular,  $\Pi_\Sigma$  is non-degenerate on an open dense set.*

Local picture when  $\dim_{\mathbb{C}} T_{\mathbb{C}} = 1$ :

- $\Pi_\Sigma = 2i|w|^2 \partial_{\bar{w}} \wedge \partial_w = (x^2 + y^2) \partial_x \wedge \partial_y$ .
- $T$  action Hamiltonian with primitive  $\approx \log |w|$ .
- $T_{\mathbb{C}}/T$  action not Hamiltonian due to topology of open leaf, local primitive  $\approx \text{Arg}(w)$ .



# Poisson Cohomology

- Schouten bracket of multi-vector fields has bi-degree -1.
- Jacobi for  $\{\cdot, \cdot\} \Leftrightarrow [\pi, \pi] = 0 \Rightarrow [\cdot, \pi]$  a differential.
- Homology of this complex  $H(M, \pi)$  is the Poisson cohomology of  $(M, \pi)$ . Very hard to compute!

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc} \dots & \xrightarrow{d} & \Omega^p(M) & \xrightarrow{d} & \Omega^{p+1}(M) & \xrightarrow{d} & \dots \\ & & \downarrow \pi^\# & & \downarrow \pi^\# & & \\ \dots & \xrightarrow{[\cdot, \pi]} & \mathcal{V}^p(M) & \xrightarrow{[\cdot, \pi]} & \mathcal{V}^{p+1}(M) & \xrightarrow{[\cdot, \pi]} & \dots \end{array}$$

$H^1(M, \pi)$  = Poisson vector fields which are not Hamiltonian.

# Some generators of $H^1(X(\Sigma), \Pi_\Sigma)$

**Theorem 2** *The action of  $T_{\mathbb{C}}$  on  $(X(\Sigma), \Pi_\Sigma)$  is Poisson but not Hamiltonian, however, each symplectic leaf admits a Hamiltonian action by a sub-torus of  $T$ .*

- In hol. coordinates  $(w_1, \dots, w_n)$  assoc. to an open cone  $V \in \Sigma$ ,

$$\Pi_\Sigma = \sum_{p,q=1}^n i B_V^{pq} \bar{w}_p w_q \partial_{\bar{w}_p} \wedge \partial_{w_q}$$

where  $B_V$  is a symm. pos. def. integral matrix determined by  $V$ .

**Corollary 1**  $\mathfrak{t} + i\mathfrak{t} \hookrightarrow H^1(X(\Sigma), \Pi_\Sigma)$

# The Modular Class

- $(M, \pi)$  orientable,  $\mu$  a volume form on  $M$ .
- $\theta_\mu$  (modular vector field), char. by  $\mathcal{L}_{\pi^\#(df)}\mu = \theta_\mu(f)\mu$ .
- $\pi$  non-deg. and  $\mu = \pi^{-n} \Rightarrow \theta_\mu = 0$ .
- $\mathcal{L}_{\theta_\mu}\pi = 0 \Rightarrow [\theta_\mu] \in H^1(M, \pi)$  (modular class).
- $\theta_{a\mu} = \theta_\mu - \pi^\#(d \log |a|)$  (class independence of  $\mu$ .)

$[\theta_\mu]$  as an invariant:

$(M, \pi)$	$\pi = 0$	$(\mathfrak{g}^*, \pi_{\mathfrak{g}^*})$	$(K/T, \pi_{K/T})$	$\pi$ non-deg.
$[\theta_\mu]$	$\theta_\mu = 0$	$[\theta_\mu] = 0$ iff $\mathfrak{g}$ unimodular	$[\theta_\mu] \neq 0$	$\theta_\mu = 0$

**Key Point:**  $[\theta_\mu]$  is an interesting invariant away from the extremes.

# Modular class is non-trivial

**Theorem 3** *If  $(M, \pi)$  is orientable and  $\pi$  is not symplectic, yet is non-degenerate on an open dense set, then the modular class is non-trivial.*

*Proof:*

- Let  $\mu$  be a volume form on  $M$  and let  $U$  be the open set on which  $\pi$  is non-degenerate ( $\dim M = 2n$ ).
- By assumption  $\nu = (\pi|_U)^{-n}$  is a volume form on  $U$  and thus  $\mu|_U = a\nu$  for some  $a \in C^\infty(U)$  which does not vanish there.
- Hence,  $\theta_\mu|_U = \theta_\nu - \pi^\#(d \log |a|) = -\pi^\#(d \log |a|)$ , so  $\theta_\mu$  has a Hamiltonian primitive on  $U$  unique up to a locally constant function.
- However, none of these primitives extend continuously to all of  $M$  because  $a = 0$  on  $M \setminus U$ . □

# Estimate for $H^1(X(\Sigma), \Pi_\Sigma)$

**Theorem 4**  $\dim_{\mathbb{R}} H^1(X(\Sigma), \Pi_\Sigma) \geq 2 \dim_{\mathbb{R}} T + 1$

*Proof:*

- In an affine chart  $\mathbb{C}^n$  associated an open cone  $V \in \Sigma$ ,  $\mu = a\lambda$  where  $\lambda = i^n dw_1 \wedge d\bar{w}_1 \wedge \cdots \wedge dw_n \wedge d\bar{w}_n$  and  $a \in C^\infty(\mathbb{C}^n)$  is non-vanishing.
- Local representation of  $\Pi_\Sigma$  shows that  $\theta_\lambda$  belongs to the range of  $\mathfrak{t} + i\mathfrak{t} \hookrightarrow \mathcal{V}^1(\mathbb{C}^n)$ .
- Hence  $\theta_\mu|_{\mathbb{C}^n} = \theta_\lambda - \Pi_\Sigma^\#(d \log |a|)$  and thus by continuity  $[\theta_\mu]$  belongs to the image of  $\mathfrak{t} + i\mathfrak{t}$  in  $H^1(X(\Sigma), \Pi_\Sigma)$  if and only if  $\log |a|$  extends continuously off of the affine chart.
- But  $X(\Sigma)$  is compact, so we must have  $\lim_{\|w\| \rightarrow \infty} |a(w)| = 0$ . Thus  $[\theta_\mu]$  is independent of the image of  $\mathfrak{t} + i\mathfrak{t}$  in  $H^1(X(\Sigma), \Pi_\Sigma)$ .  $\square$

# Bound is tight for $\mathbb{C}P^1$

**Theorem 5 (Nakanishi)** For  $\Pi = 2i|z|^2\partial_{\bar{z}} \wedge \partial_z$  on  $\mathbb{C}$ ,

$$H^0(\mathbb{C}, \Pi) = \mathbb{R},$$

$$H^1(\mathbb{C}, \Pi) = \mathbb{R}\langle R, D \rangle, \text{ and}$$

$$H^2(\mathbb{C}, \Pi) = \mathbb{R}\langle \pi, \Pi \rangle.$$

- Mayer-Vietoris argument yields:

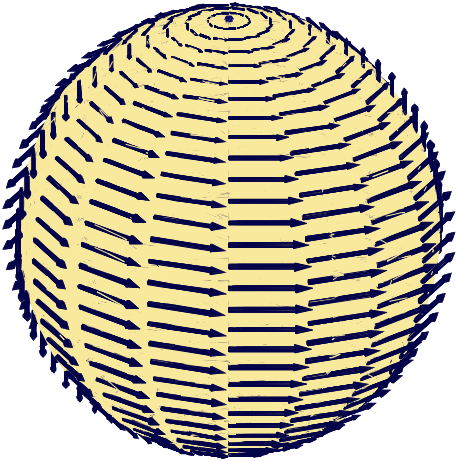
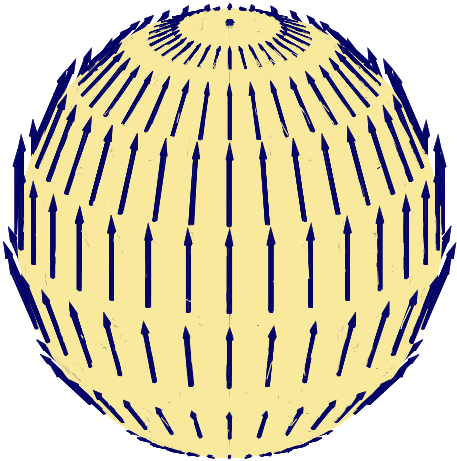
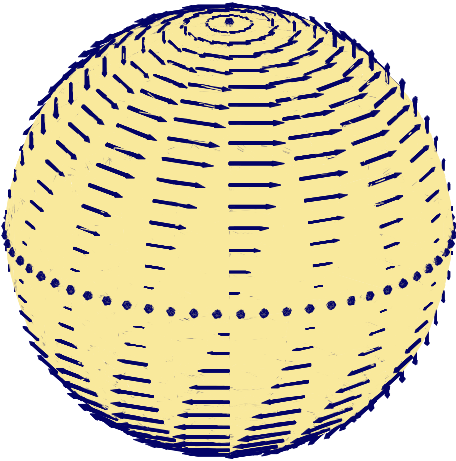
**Theorem 6** For  $\Pi_\Sigma$  on  $\mathbb{C}P^1$ ,

$$H^0(\mathbb{C}P^1, \Pi_\Sigma) = \mathbb{R},$$

$$H^1(\mathbb{C}P^1, \Pi_\Sigma) = \mathbb{R}\langle R, D, \theta_\mu \rangle, \text{ and}$$

$$H^2(\mathbb{C}P^1, \Pi_\Sigma) \simeq \mathbb{R}^4.$$

# Special Representatives for $H^1(\mathbb{C}P^1, \Pi_\Sigma)$

$R = iw\partial_w + c.c.$	$D = w\partial_w + c.c.$	$\theta_\mu$
		

# $\theta_\mu$ for $(\mathbb{C}P^n, \Pi_\Sigma)$ for $\mu = \frac{1}{n!}\omega_\Delta^n$

- The standard  $n$ -simplex  $\Delta'$  is a Delzant polytope in  $\mathfrak{t}^*$ .
- Set  $\Delta = \Delta' - \nu$  where  $\nu$  is the center of mass of  $\Delta'$  and let  $\Sigma$  be the dual fan of  $\Delta$ .
- Apply Delzant construction to get  $(\mathbb{C}P^n, \omega_\Delta, \Phi_\Delta)$  and  $\mu = \frac{1}{n!}\omega_\Delta^n$ .

**Theorem 7** For each open cone  $V$  in  $\Sigma$

$$\theta_\mu = \frac{(n+1)}{2\pi} \sum_{\ell=1}^n \langle \Phi_\Delta, (uB_V)_\ell \rangle R_\ell$$

where  $R_1, \dots, R_n$  are the vector fields corresponding to the basis  $u = (u_1, \dots, u_n)$  of  $\Lambda \subset \mathfrak{t}$  generating the cone  $V$ .

# Zeroes of $\theta_\mu$ on $\mathbb{C}P^n$

**Theorem 8** *If  $Z = \{\theta_\mu = 0\} \subset \mathbb{C}P^n$ , then  $\Phi_\Delta(Z)$  is the set of centroids of the faces of  $\Delta$ .*

