# Mirror symmetry for elementary birational cobordisms 

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$$
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$$

then

$$
D(X)=\left\langle\mathcal{T}_{f_{1}}^{B}, \ldots, \mathcal{T}_{f_{r}}^{B}, D\left(X_{r}\right)\right\rangle
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If $X_{r}=\emptyset$, then this fully decomposes $D(X)$ in terms of wall contribution categories.

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\begin{gathered}
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\left.w\right|^{-1} \\
\mathbb{P}^{1} \xrightarrow{w}{ }_{\overline{\mathcal{M}}}
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$$
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to a degeneration $\mathbf{w}_{t}$ of mirror potentials.

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Conjecture : There exists an equivalence of categories

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- Let $X_{ \pm}=X \backslash B_{ \pm}$and

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- Furthermore, there is a full and faithful embedding

$$
F: \mathcal{T}_{\mathbf{a}}^{B} \rightarrow D^{e q}(X)
$$

for which $F\left(E_{i}\right)=\mathcal{O}_{B_{-}}(i)$.

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- An elementary computation shows there are quasi-isomorphisms

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\operatorname{End}_{\operatorname{Coh}(X)}^{*}\left(\mathcal{O}_{B_{-}}\right) & \cong \operatorname{Ext}_{\operatorname{Coh}(X)}^{*}\left(\mathcal{O}_{B_{-}}, \mathcal{O}_{B_{-}}\right), \\
& \cong \Omega_{X / B_{-}}^{*} \\
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- Due to formality, and working in the category $R_{\mathrm{a}}-\bmod ^{\mathbb{Z}}$, the Yoneda functor yields an equivalence of categories

$$
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$$
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Alternatively, taking the pullback $\tilde{W}: \tilde{Y} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ of $W$ along $\exp$ gives a periodic collection of critical values.

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Observation (GKZ, DKK)
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$$
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$$

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Corollary
HMS holds for weighted projective spaces

$$
D\left(\mathbb{P}\left(a_{0}, \ldots, a_{d}\right)\right) \cong F S\left(W_{\mathbf{a}}^{1 /-a_{d+1}}\right)=F S\left(W_{\mathbf{a}}^{H V}\right)
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## Base case $d=1$

Assume $\mathbf{a}=\left(a_{0}, a_{1}, a_{2}\right) \in \mathbb{Z}^{3}$ satisfies $a_{0}, a_{1}>0$. Parameterize $P_{1} \cong \mathbb{P}^{1} \backslash\{0,-1, \infty\}$ with $\left[Z_{0}: Z_{1}\right]$. Then

$$
W_{\mathbf{a}}\left(\left[Z_{0}: Z_{1}\right]\right)=\frac{Z_{0}^{a_{0}} Z_{1}^{a_{1}}}{\left(-Z_{0}-Z_{1}\right)^{a_{0}+a_{1}}}
$$

is an $\left(a_{0}+a_{1}\right)$-fold branched covering with ramification degree $a_{0}, a_{1}$ and $a_{2}$ at $0, \infty$ and -1 , respectively, and a single critical point at $\left[a_{0}: a_{1}\right] \in P_{1}$. The admissible path $\delta_{0}$ from $W_{\mathbf{a}}\left(\left[a_{0}: a_{1}\right]\right)$ to zero has vanishing thimble equal to the component of $W^{-1}\left(\delta_{0}\right)$ containing $\left[a_{0}, a_{1}\right]$.

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As the slope of $T_{i}$ is decreasing relative to $i$, any holomorphic polygon with counter-clockwise boundary on the thimbles $\left\{T_{i_{1}}, \ldots, T_{i_{m}}\right\}$ with $i_{j}<i_{j+1}$ must be a triangle.

## Induction Step

- Assume the theorem holds for $\operatorname{dim}<d$ and let $\mathbf{a}=\left(a_{0}, \ldots, a_{d+1}\right)$. We may assume that $a_{0}, a_{1}>0$ (or apply Koszul duality).


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## Corollary

The vanishing cycles $L_{i}$ of $W_{\mathbf{a}}$ are $f$-matching cycles over the thimbles $T_{i}$ for $W_{\mathbf{c}}$. Furthermore, $L_{i}$ is the pullback along $t W_{-\mathbf{c}}$ of a vanishing thimble of $W_{b}$.

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The corollary asserts that the $W_{\mathbf{a}}$ vanishing cycles $L_{0}^{\mathbf{a}}, L_{4}^{\mathbf{a}}$ are fibered over $T_{0}, T_{4}$ via $f$, collapsing at its endpoints.

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