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POINCARÉ DUALITY ALGEBRAS

- Let A be a graded, graded-commutative algebra over a field k.
 - $A = \bigoplus_{i \ge 0} A^i$, where A^i are k-vector spaces.
 - $\bullet : A^i \otimes A^j \to A^{i+j}$.
 - $ab = (-1)^{ij}ba$ for all $a \in A^i$, $b \in B^j$.
- We will assume that A is connected ($A^0 = \mathbb{k} \cdot 1$), and locally finite (all the Betti numbers $b_i(A) := \dim_{\mathbb{k}} A^i$ are finite).
- A is a Poincaré duality k-algebra of dimension n if there is a k-linear map $\varepsilon \colon A^n \to k$ (called an *orientation*) such that all the bilinear forms $A^i \otimes_k A^{n-i} \to k$, $a \otimes b \mapsto \varepsilon(ab)$ are non-singular.
- Consequently,
 - $b_i(A) = b_{n-i}(A)$, and $A^i = 0$ for i > n.
 - ε is an isomorphism.
 - The maps PD: $A^i o (A^{n-i})^*$, PD $(a)(b) = \varepsilon(ab)$ are isomorphisms.
 - Each $a \in A^i$ has a *Poincaré dual*, $a^{\vee} \in A^{n-i}$, such that $\varepsilon(aa^{\vee}) = 1$.
 - The *orientation class* is defined as $\omega_A = 1^{\vee}$, so that $\varepsilon(\omega_A) = 1$.

THE ASSOCIATED ALTERNATING FORM

• Associated to a \mathbb{k} -PD_n algebra there is an alternating *n*-form,

$$\mu_A: \bigwedge^n A^1 \to \mathbb{K}, \quad \mu_A(a_1 \wedge \cdots \wedge a_n) = \varepsilon(a_1 \cdots a_n).$$

- Assume now that n = 3, and set $r = b_1(A)$. Fix a basis $\{e_1, \ldots, e_r\}$ for A^1 , and let $\{e_1^{\vee}, \ldots, e_r^{\vee}\}$ be the dual basis for A^2 .
- The multiplication in A, then, is given on basis elements by

$$e_i e_j = \sum_{k=1}^r \mu_{ijk} e_k^{\vee}, \quad e_i e_j^{\vee} = \delta_{ij} \omega,$$

where $\mu_{ijk} = \mu(e_i \wedge e_j \wedge e_k)$.

• Alternatively, let $A_i = (A^i)^*$, and let $e^i \in A_1$ be the (Kronecker) dual of e_i . We may then view μ dually as a trivector,

$$\mu = \sum \mu_{ijk} e^i \wedge e^j \wedge e^k \in \bigwedge^3 A_1$$
,

which encodes the algebra structure of A.

POINCARÉ DUALITY IN ORIENTABLE MANIFOLDS

- If M is a compact, connected, orientable, n-dimensional manifold, then the cohomology ring $A = H^{\bullet}(M, \mathbb{k})$ is a PD_n algebra over \mathbb{k} .
- Sullivan (1975): for every finite-dimensional O-vector space V and every alternating 3-form $\mu \in \Lambda^3 V^*$, there is a closed 3-manifold M with $H^1(M, \mathbb{Q}) = V$ and cup-product form $\mu_M = \mu$.
- Such a 3-manifold can be constructed via "Borromean surgery."



 If M bounds an oriented 4-manifold W such that the cup-product pairing on $H^2(W, M)$ is non-degenerate (e.g., if M is the link of an isolated surface singularity), then $\mu_M = 0$.

DUALITY SPACES

A more general notion of duality is due to Bieri and Eckmann (1978). Let X be a connected, finite-type CW-complex, and set $\pi = \pi_1(X, x_0)$.

- X is a duality space of dimension n if $H^i(X, \mathbb{Z}\pi) = 0$ for $i \neq n$ and $H^n(X, \mathbb{Z}\pi) \neq 0$ and torsion-free.
- Let $D = H^n(X, \mathbb{Z}\pi)$ be the dualizing $\mathbb{Z}\pi$ -module. Given any $\mathbb{Z}\pi$ -module A, we have $H^i(X,A) \cong H_{n-i}(X,D\otimes A)$.
- If $D = \mathbb{Z}$, with trivial $\mathbb{Z}\pi$ -action, then X is a Poincaré duality space.
- If $X = K(\pi, 1)$ is a duality space, then π is a duality group.

ABELIAN DUALITY SPACES

We introduce in [Denham–S.–Yuzvinsky 2016/17] an analogous notion, by replacing $\pi \rightsquigarrow \pi_{ab}$.

- X is an abelian duality space of dimension n if $H^i(X, \mathbb{Z}\pi_{ab}) = 0$ for $i \neq n$ and $H^n(X, \mathbb{Z}\pi_{ab}) \neq 0$ and torsion-free.
- Let $B = H^n(X, \mathbb{Z}\pi_{ab})$ be the dualizing $\mathbb{Z}\pi_{ab}$ -module. Given any $\mathbb{Z}\pi_{ab}$ -module A, we have $H^i(X,A) \cong H_{n-i}(X,B\otimes A)$.
- The two notions of duality are independent:

EXAMPLE

- Surface groups of genus at least 2 are not abelian duality groups, though they are (Poincaré) duality groups.
- Let $\pi = \mathbb{Z}^2 * G$, where $G = \langle x_1, \dots, x_4 \mid x_1^{-2} x_2 x_1 x_2^{-1}, \dots, x_4^{-2} x_1 x_4 x_1^{-1} \rangle$ is Higman's acyclic group. Then π is an abelian duality group (of dimension 2), but not a duality group.

THEOREM (DSY)

Let X be an abelian duality space of dimension n. Then:

- $b_1(X) \ge n-1$.
- $b_i(X) \neq 0$, for $0 \leq i \leq n$ and $b_i(X) = 0$ for i > n.
- $(-1)^n \chi(X) \ge 0$.

THEOREM (DENHAM-S. 2017)

Let U be a connected, smooth, complex quasi-projective variety of dimension n. Suppose U has a smooth compactification Y for which

- ① Components of $Y \setminus U$ form an arrangement of hypersurfaces A;
- For each submanifold X in the intersection poset L(A), the complement of the restriction of A to X is a Stein manifold.

Then U is both a duality space and an abelian duality space of dimension n.

LINEAR, ELLIPTIC, AND TORIC ARRANGEMENTS

THEOREM (DS17)

Suppose that A is one of the following:

- ① An affine-linear arrangement in \mathbb{C}^n , or a hyperplane arrangement in \mathbb{CP}^n ;
- A non-empty elliptic arrangement in Eⁿ;
- **3** A toric arrangement in $(\mathbb{C}^*)^n$.

Then the complement M(A) is both a duality space and an abelian duality space of dimension n-r, n+r, and n, respectively, where r is the corank of the arrangement.

This theorem extends several previous results:

- Davis, Januszkiewicz, Leary, and Okun (2011);
- Levin and Varchenko (2012);
- Davis and Settepanella (2013), Esterov and Takeuchi (2014).

COMMUTATIVE DIFFERENTIAL GRADED ALGEBRAS

- Let A = (A[•], d) be a commutative, differential graded algebra over a field k of characteristic 0. That is:
 - $A = \bigoplus_{i \ge 0} A^i$, where A^i are k-vector spaces.
 - The multiplication $: A^i \otimes A^j \to A^{i+j}$ is graded-commutative, i.e., $ab = (-1)^{|a||b|}ba$ for all homogeneous a and b.
 - The differential d: $A^i \to A^{i+1}$ satisfies the graded Leibnitz rule, i.e., $d(ab) = d(a)b + (-1)^{|a|}ad(b)$.
- A CDGA *A* is of *finite-type* (or *q-finite*) if it is connected (i.e., $A^0 = \mathbb{k} \cdot 1$) and dim $A^i < \infty$ for all $i \leq q$.
- $H^{\bullet}(A)$ inherits an algebra structure from A.
- A cdga morphism $\varphi: A \to B$ is both an algebra map and a cochain map. Hence, it induces a morphism $\varphi^*: H^{\bullet}(A) \to H^{\bullet}(B)$.

- A map $\varphi \colon A \to B$ is a *quasi-isomorphism* if φ^* is an isomorphism. Likewise, φ is a q-quasi-isomorphism (for some $q \geqslant 1$) if φ^* is an isomorphism in degrees $\leqslant q$ and is injective in degree q+1.
- Two cdgas, A and B, are (q-) equivalent (\simeq_q) if there is a zig-zag of (q-) quasi-isomorphisms connecting A to B.
- A cdga A is formal (or just q-formal) if it is (q-) equivalent to $(H^{\bullet}(A), d=0)$.
- A CDGA is *q-minimal* if it is of the form $(\bigwedge V, d)$, where the differential structure is the inductive limit of a sequence of Hirsch extensions of increasing degrees, and $V^i = 0$ for i > q.
- Every CDGA A with $H^0(A) = \mathbb{k}$ admits a q-minimal model, $\mathcal{M}_q(A)$ (i.e., a q-equivalence $\mathcal{M}_q(A) \to A$ with $\mathcal{M}_q(A) = (\bigwedge V, d)$ a q-minimal cdga), unique up to iso.

ALGEBRAIC MODELS FOR SPACES

- Given any (path-connected) space X, there is an associated Sullivan \mathbb{Q} -cdga, $A_{PL}(X)$, such that $H^{\bullet}(A_{PL}(X)) = H^{\bullet}(X, \mathbb{Q})$.
- An algebraic (q-)model (over k) for X is a k-cgda (A, d) which is (q-) equivalent to $A_{\rm PL}(X) \otimes_{\mathbb{Q}} k$.
- If M is a smooth manifold, then $\Omega_{dR}(M)$ is a model for M (over \mathbb{R}).
- Examples of spaces having finite-type models include:
 - Formal spaces (such as compact Kähler manifolds, hyperplane arrangement complements, toric spaces, etc).
 - Smooth quasi-projective varieties, compact solvmanifolds, Sasakian manifolds, etc.

RESONANCE VARIETIES OF A CDGA

- Let $A = (A^{\bullet}, d)$ be a connected, finite-type CDGA over $k = \mathbb{C}$.
- For each $a \in Z^1(A) \cong H^1(A)$, we have a cochain complex,

$$(A^{\bullet}, \delta_a): A^0 \xrightarrow{\delta_a^0} A^1 \xrightarrow{\delta_a^1} A^2 \xrightarrow{\delta_a^2} \cdots,$$

with differentials $\delta_a^i(u) = a \cdot u + du$, for all $u \in A^i$.

The resonance varieties of A are the affine varieties

$$\mathcal{R}_s^i(A) = \{ a \in H^1(A) \mid \dim H^i(A^{\bullet}, \delta_a) \geqslant s \}.$$

- If A is a CGA (that is, d = 0), the resonance varieties $\mathcal{R}_s^i(A)$ are homogeneous subvarieties of A^1 .
- If X is a connected, finite-type CW-complex, we set $\mathcal{R}_s^i(X) := \mathcal{R}_s^i(H^{\bullet}(X,\mathbb{C})).$

- Fix a k-basis $\{e_1, \ldots, e_r\}$ for A^1 , and let $\{x_1, \ldots, x_r\}$ be the dual basis for $A_1 = (A^1)^*$.
- Identify $\operatorname{Sym}(A_1)$ with $S = \mathbb{k}[x_1, \dots, x_r]$, the coordinate ring of the affine space A^1 .
- Define a cochain complex of free *S*-modules, $L(A) := (A^{\bullet} \otimes S, \delta)$,

$$\cdots \longrightarrow A^{i} \otimes S \xrightarrow{\delta^{i}} A^{i+1} \otimes S \xrightarrow{\delta^{i+1}} A^{i+2} \otimes S \longrightarrow \cdots$$

where $\delta^i(u \otimes f) = \sum_{j=1}^n e_j u \otimes f x_j + d u \otimes f$.

- The specialization of $(A \otimes S, \delta)$ at $a \in A^1$ coincides with (A, δ_a) .
- Hence, $\mathcal{R}_s^i(A)$ is the zero-set of the ideal generated by all minors of size $b_i s + 1$ of the block-matrix $\delta^{i+1} \oplus \delta^i$.
- In particular, $\mathcal{R}_s^1(A) = V(I_{r-s}(\delta^1))$, the zero-set of the ideal of codimension s minors of δ^1 .

RESONANCE VARIETIES OF PD-ALGEBRAS

- Let A be a PD_n algebra.
- For all $0 \le i \le n$ and all $a \in A^1$, the square

$$(A^{n-i})^* \xrightarrow{(\delta_a^{n-i-1})^*} (A^{n-i-1})^*$$

$$PD \stackrel{\cong}{\longrightarrow} PD \stackrel{\cong}{\longrightarrow} A^{i+1}$$

commutes up to a sign of $(-1)^i$.

Consequently,

$$(H^{i}(A, \delta_{a}))^{*} \cong H^{n-i}(A, \delta_{-a}).$$

Hence, for all i and s,

$$\mathcal{R}_s^i(A) = \mathcal{R}_s^{n-i}(A).$$

• In particular, $\mathcal{R}_1^n(A) = \{0\}.$

3-DIMENSIONAL POINCARÉ DUALITY ALGEBRAS

- Let A be a PD₃-algebra with $b_1(A) = r > 0$. Then
 - $\mathcal{R}_1^3(A) = \mathcal{R}_1^0(A) = \{0\}.$
 - $\mathcal{R}_s^2(A) = \mathcal{R}_s^1(A)$ for $1 \leq s \leq r$.
 - $\mathcal{R}_s^i(A) = \emptyset$, otherwise.
- Write $\mathcal{R}_s(A) = \mathcal{R}_s^1(A)$. Then
 - $\mathcal{R}_{2k}(A) = \mathcal{R}_{2k+1}(A)$ if r is even.
 - $\mathcal{R}_{2k-1}(A) = \mathcal{R}_{2k}(A)$ if *r* is odd.
- If μ_A has rank $r \ge 3$, then $\mathcal{R}_{r-2}(A) = \mathcal{R}_{r-1}(A) = \mathcal{R}_r(A) = \{0\}$.
- If $r \geqslant 4$, then dim $\mathcal{R}_1(A) \geqslant \text{null}(\mu_A) \geqslant 2$.
 - Here, the *rank* of a form $\mu \colon \bigwedge^3 V \to \mathbb{k}$ is the minimum dimension of a linear subspace $W \subset V$ such that μ factors through $\bigwedge^3 W$.
 - The *nullity* of μ is the maximum dimension of a subspace $U \subset V$ such that $\mu(a \land b \land c) = 0$ for all $a, b \in U$ and $c \in V$.

- If r is even, then $\mathcal{R}_1(A) = \mathcal{R}_0(A) = A^1$.
- If 2g + 1 > 1, then $\mathcal{R}_1(A) \neq A^1$ if and only if μ_A is "generic," that is, there is a $c \in A^1$ such that the 2-form $\gamma_c \in \bigwedge^2 A_1$,

$$\gamma_{c}(a \wedge b) = \mu_{A}(a \wedge b \wedge c)$$

has maximal rank, i.e., $\gamma_c^g \neq 0$ in $\bigwedge^{2g} A_1$.

• In that case, the principal minors of the skew-symmetric $r \times r$ matrix δ^1 satisfy $\operatorname{pf}(\delta^1(i;i)) = (-1)^{i+1} x_i \operatorname{Pf}(\mu_A)$, and so

$$\mathcal{R}_1(A) = \{ \mathsf{Pf}(\mu_A) = \mathbf{0} \}.$$

EXAMPLE

Let $M = \Sigma_g \times S^1$, where $g \geqslant 2$. Then $\mu_M = \sum_{i=1}^g a_i b_i c$ is generic, and $\text{Pf}(\mu_M) = x_{2g+1}^{g-1}$. Hence, $\mathcal{R}_1 = \dots = \mathcal{R}_{2g-2} = \{x_{2g+1} = 0\}$ and $\mathcal{R}_{2g-1} = \mathcal{R}_{2g} = \mathcal{R}_{2g+1} = \{0\}$.

RESONANCE VARIETIES OF 3-FORMS OF LOW RANK

| n | μ | \mathcal{R}_1 | n | μ | $\mathcal{R}_1 = \mathcal{R}_2$ | \mathcal{R}_3 |
|---|-----|-----------------|---|---------|---------------------------------|-----------------|
| 3 | 123 | 0 | 5 | 125+345 | $\{x_5=0\}$ | 0 |

| n | μ | \mathcal{R}_1 | $\mathcal{R}_2 = \mathcal{R}_3$ | \mathcal{R}_4 |
|---|-------------|-----------------|--|-----------------|
| 6 | 123+456 | C ₆ | $\{x_1 = x_2 = x_3 = 0\} \cup \{x_4 = x_5 = x_6 = 0\}$ | 0 |
| | 123+236+456 | C ₆ | $\{x_3 = x_5 = x_6 = 0\}$ | 0 |

| n | μ | $\mathcal{R}_1 = \mathcal{R}_2$ | $\mathcal{R}_3=\mathcal{R}_4$ | \mathcal{R}_5 |
|---|---------------------|--|--|-----------------|
| 7 | 147+257+367 | $\{x_7 = 0\}$ | $\{x_7 = 0\}$ | 0 |
| | 456+147+257+367 | $\{x_7 = 0\}$ | $\{x_4 = x_5 = x_6 = x_7 = 0\}$ | 0 |
| | 123+456+147 | $\{x_1=0\} \cup \{x_4=0\}$ | $\{x_1 = x_2 = x_3 = x_4 = 0\} \cup \{x_1 = x_4 = x_5 = x_6 = 0\}$ | 0 |
| | 123+456+147+257 | $\{x_1x_4 + x_2x_5 = 0\}$ | $\{x_1 = x_2 = x_4 = x_5 = x_7^2 - x_3x_6 = 0\}$ | 0 |
| | 123+456+147+257+367 | $\{x_1x_4 + x_2x_5 + x_3x_6 = x_7^2\}$ | 0 | 0 |

| n | μ | \mathcal{R}_1 | $\mathcal{R}_2=\mathcal{R}_3$ | $\mathcal{R}_4=\mathcal{R}_5$ |
|---|-----------------------------|-----------------|--|--|
| 8 | 147+257+367+358 | C ₈ | $\{x_7=0\}$ | $\{x_3 = x_5 = x_7 = x_8 = 0\} \cup \{x_1 = x_3 = x_4 = x_5 = x_7 = 0\}$ |
| | 456+147+257+367+358 | C ₈ | $\{x_5 = x_7 = 0\}$ | $\{x_3 = x_4 = x_5 = x_7 = x_1x_8 + x_6^2 = 0\}$ |
| | 123+456+147+358 | C ₈ | $\{x_1 = x_5 = 0\} \cup \{x_3 = x_4 = 0\}$ | $\{x_1 = x_3 = x_4 = x_5 = x_2x_6 + x_7x_8 = 0\}$ |
| | 123+456+147+257+358 | C ₈ | ${x_1 = x_5 = 0} \cup {x_3 = x_4 = x_5 = 0}$ | $\{x_1 = x_2 = x_3 = x_4 = x_5 = x_7 = 0\}$ |
| | 123+456+147+257+367+358 | C ₈ | $\{x_3 = x_5 = x_1x_4 - x_7^2 = 0\}$ | $\{x_1 = x_2 = x_3 = x_4 = x_5 = x_6 = x_7 = 0\}$ |
| | 147+268+358 | C ₈ | $\{x_1 = x_4 = x_7 = 0\} \cup \{x_8 = 0\}$ | $\{x_1 = x_4 = x_7 = x_8 = 0\} \cup \{x_2 = x_3 = x_5 = x_6 = x_8 = 0\}$ |
| | 147+257+268+358 | C ₈ | $L_1 \cup L_2 \cup L_3$ | $L_1 \cup L_2$ |
| | 456+147+257+268+358 | C ₈ | $C_1 \cup C_2$ | $L_1 \cup L_2$ |
| | 147+257+367+268+358 | C ₈ | $L_1 \cup L_2 \cup L_3 \cup L_4$ | $L_1' \cup L_2' \cup L_3'$ |
| | 456+147+257+367+268+358 | C ₈ | $C_1 \cup C_2 \cup C_3$ | $L_1 \cup L_2 \cup L_3$ |
| | 123+456+147+268+358 | C ₈ | $C_1 \cup C_2$ | L |
| | 123+456+147+257+268+358 | C ₈ | $\{f_1 = \cdots = f_{20} = 0\}$ | 0 |
| | 123+456+147+257+367+268+358 | C ₈ | $\{g_1 = \cdots = g_{20} = 0\}$ | 0 |

PROPAGATION OF RESONANCE

- We say that the resonance varieties of a graded algebra $A = \bigoplus_{i=0}^{n} A^{i}$ propagate if $\mathcal{R}_{1}^{1}(A) \subseteq \cdots \subseteq \mathcal{R}_{1}^{n}(A)$.
- (Eisenbud–Popescu–Yuzvinsky 2003) If X is the complement of a hyperplane arrangement, then its resonance varieties propagate.

THEOREM (DSY 2016/17)

- Suppose the k-dual of A has a linear free resolution over $E = \bigwedge A^1$. Then the resonance varieties of A propagate.
- Let X be a formal, abelian duality space. Then the resonance varieties of X propagate.
- Let M be a closed, orientable 3-manifold. If $b_1(M)$ is even and non-zero, then the resonance varieties of M do not propagate.

CHARACTERISTIC VARIETIES

- Let X be a connected, finite-type CW-complex. Then $\pi = \pi_1(X, x_0)$ is a finitely presented group, with $\pi_{ab} \cong H_1(X, \mathbb{Z})$.
- The ring $R = \mathbb{C}[\pi_{ab}]$ is the coordinate ring of the character group, $\operatorname{Char}(X) = \operatorname{Hom}(\pi, \mathbb{C}^*) \cong (\mathbb{C}^*)^r \times \operatorname{Tors}(\pi_{ab})$, where $r = b_1(X)$.
- The characteristic varieties of X are the homology jump loci

$$\mathcal{V}_{s}^{i}(X) = \{ \rho \in \mathsf{Char}(X) \mid \dim H_{i}(X, \mathbb{C}_{\rho}) \geqslant s \}.$$

- These varieties are homotopy-type invariants of X, with $\mathcal{V}_s^1(X)$ depending only on $\pi = \pi_1(X)$.
- Set $V_1(\pi) := V_1^1(K(\pi, 1))$; then $V_1(\pi) = V_1(\pi/\pi'')$.

EXAMPLE

Let $f \in \mathbb{Z}[t_1^{\pm 1}, \dots, t_n^{\pm 1}]$ be a Laurent polynomial, f(1) = 0. There is then a finitely presented group π with $\pi_{ab} = \mathbb{Z}^n$ such that $\mathcal{V}_1(\pi) = \mathbf{V}(f)$.

THEOREM (DSY)

Let X be an abelian duality space of dimension n. If $\rho \colon \pi_1(X) \to \mathbb{C}^*$ satisfies $H^j(X, \mathbb{C}_\rho) \neq 0$, then $H^j(X, \mathbb{C}_\rho) \neq 0$, for all $i \leqslant j \leqslant n$.

COROLLARY

Let X be an abelian duality space of dimension n. Then The characteristic varieties propagate, i.e., $\mathcal{V}_1^1(X) \subseteq \cdots \subseteq \mathcal{V}_1^n(X)$.

Infinitesimal finiteness obstructions

QUESTION

Let X be a connected CW-complex with finite q-skeleton. Does X admit a q-finite q-model A?

THEOREM

If X is as above, then, for all $i \leq q$ and all s:

- (Dimca–Papadima 2014) $\mathcal{V}_s^i(X)_{(1)} \cong \mathcal{R}_s^i(A)_{(0)}$. In particular, if X is q-formal, then $\mathcal{V}_s^i(X)_{(1)} \cong \mathcal{R}_s^i(X)_{(0)}$.
- (Macinic, Papadima, Popescu, S. 2017) $\mathsf{TC}_0(\mathcal{R}^i_{\mathfrak{s}}(A)) \subseteq \mathcal{R}^i_{\mathfrak{s}}(X)$.
- (Budur–Wang 2017) All the irreducible components of $\mathcal{V}^i(X)$ passing through the origin of $H^1(X, \mathbb{C}^*)$ are algebraic subtori.

EXAMPLE

Let π be a finitely presented group with $\pi_{ab} = \mathbb{Z}^n$ and $\mathcal{V}_1(\pi) = \{t \in (\mathbb{C}^*)^n \mid \sum_{i=1}^n t_i = n\}$. Then π admits no 1-finite 1-model.

THEOREM (PAPADIMA-S. 2017)

Suppose X is (q+1) finite, or X admits a q-finite q-model. Then $b_i(\mathcal{M}_q(X)) < \infty$, for all $i \leqslant q+1$.

COROLLARY

Let π be a finitely generated group. Assume that either π is finitely presented, or π has a 1-finite 1-model. Then $b_2(\mathcal{M}_1(\pi)) < \infty$.

EXAMPLE

- Consider the free metabelian group $\pi = F_n / F_n''$ with $n \ge 2$.
- We have $\mathcal{V}_1(\pi) = \mathcal{V}_1(\mathsf{F}_n) = (\mathbb{C}^*)^n$, and so π passes the Budur–Wang test.
- But $b_2(\mathcal{M}_1(\pi)) = \infty$, and so π admits no 1-finite 1-model (and is not finitely presented).

A TANGENT CONE THEOREM FOR 3-MANIFOLDS

THEOREM

Let M be a closed, orientable, 3-dimensional manifold. Suppose $b_1(M)$ is odd and μ_M is generic. Then $TC_1(\mathcal{V}_1^1(M)) = \mathcal{R}_1^1(M)$.

- If $b_1(M)$ is even, the conclusion may or may not hold:
 - Let $M = S^1 \times S^2 \# S^1 \times S^2$; then $\mathcal{V}_1^1(M) = \operatorname{Char}(M) = (\mathbb{C}^*)^2$, and so $\operatorname{TC}_1(\mathcal{V}_1^1(M)) = \mathcal{R}_1^1(M) = \mathbb{C}^2$.
 - Let M be the Heisenberg nilmanifold; then $TC_1(\mathcal{V}_1^1(M)) = \{0\}$, whereas $\mathcal{R}_1^1(M) = \mathbb{C}^2$.
- Let M be a closed, orientable 3-manifold with $b_1=7$ and $\mu=e_1e_3e_5+e_1e_4e_7+e_2e_5e_7+e_3e_6e_7+e_4e_5e_6$. Then μ is generic and $Pf(\mu)=(x_5^2+x_7^2)^2$. Hence, $\mathcal{R}_1^1(M)=\{x_5^2+x_7^2=0\}$ splits as a union of two hyperplanes over \mathbb{C} , but not over \mathbb{Q} .

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