

# WILDER MCKAY CORRESPONDENCES

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**Abstract.** A conjectural generalization of the McKay correspondence in terms of stringy invariants to arbitrary characteristics, including the wild case, was recently formulated by the author in the case where the given finite group acts linearly on an affine space. In cases of very special groups and representations, the conjecture has been verified and related stringy invariants have been explicitly computed. In this paper, we try to generalize the conjecture and computations to more complicated situations such as nonlinear actions on possibly singular spaces and nonpermutation representations of nonabelian groups.

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## §1. Introduction

The McKay correspondence in terms of stringy invariants was first studied by Batyrev and Dais [BD96] and Batyrev [Bat99]. Denef and Loeser [DL02]

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later took a more conceptual approach, where the McKay correspondence directly follows from the theory of motivic integration suitably generalized to a situation involving finite group actions.

These works were confined to characteristic zero. Except for some works for the tame case (the finite group has order coprime to the characteristic), attempts to generalize to arbitrary characteristics, including the wild (non-tame) case, were only recently started in [Yas14, Yasa]. There, a conjectural generalization of results in characteristic zero was formulated. Subsequently, it turned out in [WY15] that the conjecture is closely related to the number theory, in particular, the problem of counting local Galois representations. In these papers, however, only linear actions on affine spaces were discussed. In characteristic zero, since every finite group action on a smooth variety is locally linearizable, many studies can be reduced to the linear case. This is no longer true in positive or mixed characteristics. The conjecture has been verified in very special cases, by computing stringy invariants explicitly. The aims of this paper are first to generalize the conjecture to nonlinear actions on a (possibly singular) affine variety, and second to make it possible to compute stringy invariants in more complicated examples.

We now recall the conjecture from [Yasa]. Set the base scheme to be  $D = \text{Spec } \mathcal{O}_D$ , with  $\mathcal{O}_D$  a complete discrete valuation ring, and suppose that its residue field, denoted by  $k$ , is algebraically closed.

REMARK 1.1. Working over a discrete valuation ring rather than a field is natural in our arguments. We can easily switch from a field to a discrete valuation ring by the base change  $\text{Spec } k[[t]] \rightarrow \text{Spec } k$ .

We consider a linear action of a finite group  $G$  on the affine  $d$ -space  $V = \mathbb{A}_D^d$  over  $D$  and the associated quotient scheme  $X := V/G$ .

CONJECTURE 1.2. (The wild McKay correspondence conjecture [Yasa])  
*Let  $o \in X(k)$  denote the image of the origin, and let  $M_{\text{st}}(X)_o$  denote the stringy motif of  $X$  at  $o$ . Suppose that the quotient morphism  $V \rightarrow X$  is étale in codimension one. Then*

$$M_{\text{st}}(X)_o = \int_{G\text{-Cov}(D)} \mathbb{L}^{\mathbf{w}} d\tau.$$

*Here,  $G\text{-Cov}(D)$  is the (conjectural) moduli space of  $G$ -covers of  $D$ ,  $\mathbf{w}$  is the weight function on  $G\text{-Cov}(D)$  associated to the  $G$ -representation  $V$ , and  $\tau$  is the tautological motivic measure on  $G\text{-Cov}(D)$ .*

In [Yas14], Conjecture 1.2 was verified, when  $\mathcal{O}_D = k[[t]]$  with  $k$  of characteristic  $p > 0$ ,  $G$  is the cyclic group of order  $p$  and the  $G$ -action on  $\mathbb{A}_D^d$  is defined over  $k$ . In [WY15], a variant conjecture was verified when the symmetric group  $S_n$  acts on  $\mathbb{A}_D^{2n}$  by two copies of the standard representation. In the same paper, a generalization to the case where  $k$  is only perfect was formulated by modifying the function  $\mathbf{w}$ .

Roughly, the conjecture was derived as follows. We first express  $M_{\text{st}}(X)_o$  as a motivic integral over the space of arcs of  $X$ , that is,  $D$ -morphisms  $D \rightarrow X$ . We then transform the motivic integral to a motivic integral over the space of  $G$ -arcs of  $V$ , that is,  $G$ -equivariant  $D$ -morphisms  $E \rightarrow V$  for  $G$ -covers  $E \rightarrow D$ . Using the technique of *untwisting*, we reduce the study of  $G$ -arcs to that of ordinary arcs, and can see that the contribution of each  $G$ -cover  $E \rightarrow D$  to  $M_{\text{st}}(X)_o$  is  $\mathbb{L}^{\mathbf{w}(E)}$ , and hence the conjecture. A prototype of untwisting was introduced by Denef and Loeser [DL02]. In [Yasa], the author developed it so that we can use it even in the wild case. In this paper, we refine the technique slightly more. For each  $G$ -cover  $E$  of  $D$  with a connected component  $F$ , we can construct another affine space  $V^{|F|} \cong \mathbb{A}_D^d$  and a morphism  $V^{|F|} \rightarrow X$  such that there is a correspondence between  $G$ -arcs of  $V$  and ordinary arcs of  $V^{|F|}$ . Through the correspondence, we can represent the contribution of  $E$  to  $M_{\text{st}}(X)_o$  as a motivic integral over the ordinary arcs  $D \rightarrow V^{|F|}$ .

Our strategy of generalization to the nonlinear case is quite simple. Given an affine variety  $\mathfrak{v}$  with a  $G$ -action, we equivariantly embed  $\mathfrak{v}$  into an affine space  $V$  with a linear  $G$ -action. For each  $G$ -cover  $E \rightarrow D$  with a connected component  $F$ , we take the subvariety  $\mathfrak{v}^{|F|} \subset V^{|F|}$  corresponding to  $\mathfrak{v} \subset V$ , which plays the same role as  $V^{|F|}$  in the linear case.

We also need an idea from the minimal model program, that is, working with varieties endowed with divisors rather than varieties themselves. Encapsulating one more piece of information, we introduce the notion of *centered log structures* or *centered log  $D$ -varieties*, which are just triples  $\mathfrak{X} = (X, \Delta, W)$  of a normal  $D$ -variety  $X$ , a  $\mathbb{Q}$ -divisor  $\Delta$  and a closed subset  $W$  of  $X \otimes_{\mathcal{O}_D} k$  with  $K_{X/D} + \Delta$   $\mathbb{Q}$ -Cartier. It is straightforward to generalize the stringy motif to centered log  $D$ -varieties. We write it as  $M_{\text{st}}(\mathfrak{X})$ . For instance, the stringy motif  $M_{\text{st}}(X)_o$  mentioned above is the same as  $M_{\text{st}}((X, 0, \{o\}))$ .

Returning to the equivariant immersion  $\mathfrak{v} \hookrightarrow V$ , if  $\mathfrak{v}$  is given a centered log structure  $\mathfrak{v} = (\mathfrak{v}, \delta, \mathbf{w})$ , then there exist unique centered log structures  $\mathfrak{r}$  on  $\mathfrak{x} := \mathfrak{v}/G$  and  $\mathfrak{v}^{|F|, \nu}$  on the normalization  $\mathfrak{v}^{|F|, \nu}$  of  $\mathfrak{v}^{|F|}$  so that all the

morphisms connecting them are crepant (see Section 2.2 for details). If  $H \subset G$  is the stabilizer of the component  $F \subset E$ , then the centralizer  $C_G(H)$  of  $H$  acts on  $\mathfrak{v}^{|F|,\nu}$  and on its arc space  $J_\infty \mathfrak{v}^{|F|,\nu}$ . We define  $M_{\text{st},C_G(H)}(\mathfrak{v}^{|F|,\nu})$  in the same way as defining the ordinary stringy motif except that we use the quotient space  $(J_\infty \mathfrak{v}^{|F|,\nu})/C_G(H)$  rather than the arc space  $J_\infty \mathfrak{v}^{|F|,\nu}$  itself. We formulate the following conjecture which generalizes Conjecture 1.2.

CONJECTURE 1.3. (Conjecture 7.3) *We have*

$$M_{\text{st}}(\mathfrak{r}) = \int_{G\text{-Cov}(D)} M_{\text{st},C_G(H)}(\mathfrak{v}^{|F|,\nu}) \, d\tau.$$

We verify Conjecture 1.3 in two examples from the simplest ones, computing both sides of the equality independently. One example is a tame action on a singular variety and the other is a wild nonlinear action on a smooth variety.

Keeping the above arguments in mind, let us return to the linear case. One difficulty in computing the right-hand side of the equality in Conjecture 1.2 is in computing the weights  $\mathbf{w}(E)$  explicitly, and another is in computing the moduli space  $G\text{-Cov}(D)$ . Taking an equivariant immersion  $\mathfrak{v} \hookrightarrow V$  is useful also in solving the former difficulty for some linear actions. With  $E, F$  and  $H$  as before, if  $V = \mathbb{A}_D^d$  has a linear  $G$ -action, and if  $V_0 := V \otimes_{\mathcal{O}_D} k$ , then the weight of  $E$  with respect to  $V$  is, by definition,

$$\mathbf{w}_V(E) = \text{codim}(V_0^H, V_0) - \mathbf{v}_V(E),$$

with another function  $\mathbf{v}_V$  on  $G\text{-Cov}(D)$ , and  $V_0^H$  the  $H$ -fixed-point locus in  $V_0$ . The first term,  $\text{codim}(V_0^H, V_0)$ , is easy to compute, while the second is generally not. However, if  $G$  acts on  $V$  by permutations of coordinates, then  $\mathbf{v}_V(E)$  is represented in terms of the discriminant [WY15]. In this situation, we can associate a degree  $d$  cover  $C \rightarrow D$  to a  $G$ -cover  $E \rightarrow D$ , and

$$\mathbf{v}_V(E) = \frac{d_{C/D}}{2},$$

with  $d_{C/D}$  the discriminant exponent of the cover  $C \rightarrow D$ . We generalize this equality to hyperplanes in  $V$  defined by a  $G$ -invariant linear form. For simplicity, we consider the case where  $\mathfrak{v} \subset V$  is defined by

$$x_1 + \cdots + x_d = 0,$$

with  $x_1, \dots, x_d$  coordinates of  $V$ .

PROPOSITION 1.4. (See Corollary 11.4 for a slightly more general result)

Let  $C = \bigsqcup_{j=1}^l C_j$  be the decomposition of  $C$  into the connected components. Then

$$v_v(E) = \frac{d_{C/D}}{2} - \min \left\{ \left\lfloor \frac{d_{C_j/D}}{[C_j : D]} \right\rfloor \mid 1 \leq j \leq l \right\},$$

with  $[C_j : D]$  the degree of  $C_j \rightarrow D$ .

Using this and assuming a motivic version of Krasner’s formula [Kra66] for counting local field extensions, we explicitly compute

$$\int_{G\text{-Cov}(D)} \mathbb{L}^{-v_{3v}} d\tau \quad \text{and} \quad \int_{G\text{-Cov}(D)} \mathbb{L}^{w_{3v}} d\tau,$$

when  $G = S_4$  acts on  $V \cong \mathbb{A}_D^4$  by the standard representation,  $v \subset V$  is given by  $x_1 + x_2 + x_3 + x_4 = 0$  and  $3v$  is the direct sum of three copies of  $v$ . We find that the two integrals are dual to each other. The same kind of duality was observed in [WY15] and will be discussed in [WY] in more detail. The formulas obtained for these integrals are motivic versions of mass formulas for local Galois representations [Bha07, Ked07, Woo08] with respect to weights coming from a nonpermutation representation.

From Section 2 to 6, we review the theory in the linear case and finally formulate the McKay correspondence for linear actions. Most material here is not new and is found, for instance, in [Yasa], although arguments are refined and adjusted to our purpose. In Section 7, we formulate the McKay correspondence for nonlinear actions. In Section 8, we study how to determine the centered log structure  $v^{|F|,\nu}$  under some assumptions. In Sections 9 and 10, we compute nonlinear examples. In Sections 11 and 12, we treat hyperplanes in permutation representations. We end the paper with concluding remarks in Section 13.

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It seems to be better to replace  $\text{codim}(V_0^H, V)$  with the dimension of  $u^{-1}(o)$  in various places, notably in the definition of  $w$ . Here,  $u$  is the morphism  $V^{\langle F \rangle} \rightarrow V$  given in Definition 4.8 and  $o \in V_0$  is the origin. This was realized in the later work [Yasb]. The problem is that there seems to be no reason for the map  $\beta$  in diagrams (4.3) and (4.4) to be surjective, though I do not know of any counterexample. When it is surjective, the mentioned replacement does not change anything. For several important cases it is indeed surjective; see [Yasb, Lemma 8.3].

## 1.2 Convention and notation

If  $X$  is an affine scheme,  $\mathcal{O}_X$  denotes its coordinate ring. By the same symbol  $\mathcal{O}_X$ , we sometimes denote also the structure sheaf on a scheme  $X$ . This abuse of notation does not cause any problems. When a group  $G$  acts on  $X$  from the left, then we suppose that  $G$  acts on  $\mathcal{O}_X$  from the right: for  $g \in G$ , if  $\phi_g : X \rightarrow X$  is the  $g$ -action on  $X$ , then  $g$  acts on  $\mathcal{O}_X$  by the pullback of functions by  $\phi_g$ . Throughout the paper, we fix an affine scheme  $D$ , with  $\mathcal{O}_D$  a complete discrete valuation ring. We denote the residue field of  $\mathcal{O}_D$  by  $k$  and suppose that  $k$  is algebraically closed. For an integral scheme  $X$ , we denote by  $K(X)$  its function field. If  $X$  is affine, then  $K(X)$  is the fraction (quotient) field of the ring  $\mathcal{O}_X$ . Again, by abuse of notation,  $K(X)$  also denotes the constant sheaf on  $X$  associated to the function field. For a  $D$ -scheme  $X$ , we denote by  $X_0$  the special fiber with the reduced structure:  $X_0 := (X \times_D \text{Spec } k)_{\text{red}}$ .

## §2. Motivic integration and stringy motifs

In this section, we review the theories of motivic integration over ordinary (untwisted) arcs and stringy invariants, mainly developed in [Kon95, DL99, Bat98, Bat99, DL02, Seb04].

### 2.1 Centered log varieties

We call an integral  $D$ -scheme  $X$  a  $D$ -variety if  $X$  is flat, separated and of finite type over  $D$ , and  $X$  is smooth over  $D$  at the generic point of  $X$ . For a  $D$ -variety  $X$ , we denote the smooth locus of  $X$  by  $X_{\text{sm}}$  and the regular locus by  $X_{\text{reg}}$ .

Let  $X$  be a normal  $D$ -variety. We can define the *canonical sheaf*  $\omega_X = \omega_{X/D}$  of  $X$  over  $D$  as in [Kol13, page 8]. On  $X_{\text{sm}}$ , the canonical sheaf is isomorphic to  $\bigwedge^d \Omega_{X/D}$ , with  $d$  the relative dimension of  $X$  over  $D$ . Therefore, we can think of  $\omega_X$  as a subsheaf of  $(\bigwedge^d \Omega_{X/D}) \otimes K(X)$ . We define the *canonical divisor* of  $X$ , denoted by  $K_X = K_{X/D}$ , to be the linear equivalence class of Weil divisors corresponding to  $\omega_X$ .

A *log  $D$ -variety* is a pair  $(X, \Delta)$  of a normal  $D$ -variety  $X$  and a Weil  $\mathbb{Q}$ -divisor  $\Delta$  such that  $K_X + \Delta$  is  $\mathbb{Q}$ -Cartier. We call  $\Delta$  the *boundary* of the log variety. The *canonical divisor* of a log  $D$ -variety  $(X, \Delta)$  is  $K_{(X, \Delta)} := K_X + \Delta$ .

A *centered log  $D$ -variety* is a triple  $\mathfrak{X} = (X, \Delta, W)$  such that  $(X, \Delta)$  is a log  $D$ -variety and  $W$  is a closed subset of  $X_0$ , where  $X_0$  denotes the special fiber of the structure morphism  $X \rightarrow D$  with the reduced structure. We call

$W$  the center of  $\mathfrak{X}$ . We also say that  $\mathfrak{X}$  is a *centered log structure* on  $X$ . For a centered log variety  $\mathfrak{X} = (X, \Delta, W)$ , we define a *canonical divisor* of  $\mathfrak{X}$  as the one of  $(X, \Delta)$ :

$$K_{\mathfrak{X}} := K_{(X, \Delta)} = K_X + \Delta.$$

Sometimes, we identify a normal  $\mathbb{Q}$ -Gorenstein ( $K_X$  is  $\mathbb{Q}$ -Cartier)  $D$ -variety  $X$  with the log  $D$ -variety  $(X, 0)$ , and identify a log  $D$ -variety  $(X, \Delta)$  with the centered log  $D$ -variety  $(X, \Delta, X_0)$ :

$$(2.1) \quad \left\{ \begin{array}{c} \text{normal } \mathbb{Q}\text{-Gorenstein} \\ D\text{-varieties} \end{array} \right\} \hookrightarrow \{ \text{log } D\text{-varieties} \} \hookrightarrow \{ \text{centered log } D\text{-varieties} \}$$

$$X \longmapsto (X, 0)$$

$$(X, \Delta) \longmapsto (X, \Delta, X_0).$$

### 2.2 Crepant morphisms

For centered log  $D$ -varieties  $\mathfrak{X} = (X, \Delta, W)$  and  $\mathfrak{X}' = (X', \Delta', W')$ , a *morphism*  $f : \mathfrak{X} \rightarrow \mathfrak{X}'$  is just a morphism  $f : X \rightarrow X'$  of the underlying varieties with  $f(W) \subset W'$ . We say that a morphism  $\mathfrak{X} \rightarrow \mathfrak{X}'$  is *proper* or *birational* if it is so as the morphism  $f : X \rightarrow X'$  of the underlying varieties. We say that a morphism  $f : \mathfrak{X} \rightarrow \mathfrak{X}'$  is *crepant* if

$$f^{-1}(W') = W \quad \text{and} \quad K_{\mathfrak{X}} = f^*K_{\mathfrak{X}'}$$

The right equality should be understood as that for  $r \in \mathbb{Z}_{>0}$  such that  $r(K_X + \Delta)$  and  $r(K_{X'} + \Delta')$  are Cartier, we have a natural isomorphism

$$\omega_{X'}^{[r]}(r\Delta') \cong f^*\omega_X^{[r]}(r\Delta).$$

Here,  $\omega_X^{[r]}(r\Delta)$  is the invertible sheaf, which is identical to  $\omega_X^{\otimes r}(r\Delta)$  on  $X_{\text{reg}}$ . We adopt this convention throughout the paper.

Given a generically étale morphism  $f : X \rightarrow X'$  of normal  $D$ -varieties, a centered log structure  $\mathfrak{X}'$  on  $X'$  induces a unique centered log structure  $\mathfrak{X}$  on  $X$  such that the morphism  $f : \mathfrak{X} \rightarrow \mathfrak{X}'$  is crepant. Conversely, if  $f : X \rightarrow X'$  is additionally proper, then for each centered log structure  $\mathfrak{X}$  on  $X$ , there exists at most one centered log structure on  $\mathfrak{X}'$  such that  $f : \mathfrak{X} \rightarrow \mathfrak{X}'$  is crepant.

REMARK 2.1. For our purposes, we may slightly weaken the assumptions in the definition of crepant morphisms. For instance, concerning the equality

$f^{-1}(W') = W$ , we only need this equality outside  $X_{\text{sm}} \setminus X_{\text{reg}}$ . This is because the locus  $X_{\text{sm}} \setminus X_{\text{reg}}$  does not contribute to stringy motifs at all, which are defined below. However, for simplicity, we will cling to our definition as above.

**2.3 Motivic integration**

Let  $\mathfrak{X} = (X, \Delta, W)$  be a centered log  $D$ -variety. An *arc* of  $\mathfrak{X}$  is a  $D$ -morphism  $D \rightarrow X$  sending the closed point of  $D$  into  $W$ . The *arc space* of  $\mathfrak{X}$ , denoted  $J_\infty \mathfrak{X}$ , is a  $k$ -scheme parameterizing the arcs of  $\mathfrak{X}$ . We put  $D_n := \text{Spec } \mathcal{O}_D/\mathfrak{m}_D^{n+1}$ , with  $\mathfrak{m}_D$  the maximal ideal of  $\mathcal{O}_D$ . An  $n$ -jet of  $\mathfrak{X}$  is a  $D$ -morphism  $D_n \rightarrow X$  sending the unique point of  $D_n$  into  $W$ . For each  $n$ , there exists a  $k$ -scheme  $J_n \mathfrak{X}$  parametrizing  $n$ -jets of  $\mathfrak{X}$ . For  $n \geq m$ , we have natural morphisms  $J_n \mathfrak{X} \rightarrow J_m \mathfrak{X}$ , and the arc space  $J_\infty \mathfrak{X}$  is identified with the projective limit of  $J_n \mathfrak{X}$ ,  $n \geq 0$  with respect to these maps. We have the induced maps

$$\pi_n : J_\infty \mathfrak{X} \rightarrow J_n \mathfrak{X}.$$

For  $n < \infty$ ,  $J_n \mathfrak{X}$  are of finite type over  $k$ . For a morphism  $f : \mathfrak{Y} \rightarrow \mathfrak{X}$  and each  $n \in \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0} \cup \{\infty\}$ , there exists a natural map

$$f_n : J_n \mathfrak{Y} \rightarrow J_n \mathfrak{X}.$$

The arc space  $J_\infty \mathfrak{X}$  has the so-called *motivic measure*, denoted by  $\mu_{J_\infty \mathfrak{X}}$ . The measure takes values in some (semi-)ring, say  $\mathcal{R}$ , which is often a suitable modification of the Grothendieck (semi-)ring of  $k$ -varieties. In this paper, we fix  $\mathcal{R}$  satisfying the following properties. Denoting by  $[T]$  the class of a  $k$ -variety  $T$  in  $\mathcal{R}$ ,

- for a bijective morphism  $S \rightarrow T$ , we have  $[S] = [T]$  in  $\mathcal{R}$ ;
- putting  $\mathbb{L} := [\mathbb{A}_k^1]$ , we have all fractional powers  $\mathbb{L}^a$ ,  $a \in \mathbb{Q}$  in  $\mathcal{R}$ ;
- an infinite series  $\sum_{i=1}^\infty [T_i] \mathbb{L}^{a_i}$  with  $\lim_{i \rightarrow \infty} \dim T_i + a_i = -\infty$  converges;
- for a morphism  $f : S \rightarrow T$ , and for  $n \in \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0}$ , if every fiber of  $f$  admits a homeomorphism from or to the quotient  $\mathbb{A}_k^n/G$  for some linear action of a finite group  $G$  on  $\mathbb{A}_k^n$ , then  $[S] = [T] \mathbb{L}^n$ .

One possible choice is the field of Puiseux series in  $t^{-1}$ ,

$$\mathcal{R} := \bigcup_{r=1}^\infty \mathbb{Z}((t^{-1/r})),$$

where we put  $[T]$  to be the Poincaré polynomial as in [Nic11].



A subset  $A \subset J_\infty \mathfrak{X}$  is called *stable* if there exists  $n \in \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0}$  such that  $\pi_n(A) \subset J_n \mathfrak{X}$  is a constructible subset and  $A = \pi_n^{-1} \pi_n(A)$ , and for every  $m \geq n$ , every fiber of the map  $\pi_{n+1}(A) \rightarrow \pi_n(A)$  is homeomorphic to  $\mathbb{A}_k^n$ . The measure of a stable subset  $A$  is given by

$$\mu_{J_\infty \mathfrak{X}}(A) := [\pi_n(A)] \mathbb{L}^{-nd} \quad (n \gg 0).$$

More generally, we can define the measure for *measurable subsets*, which are roughly the limits of stable subsets.

Let  $\Phi : C \rightarrow \mathcal{R} \cup \{\infty\}$  be a measurable function on a subset  $C \subset J_\infty \mathfrak{X}$ . That is, the image of  $\Phi$  is countable, all fibers  $\Phi^{-1}(a)$  are measurable and  $\mu_{J_\infty \mathfrak{X}}(\Phi^{-1}(\infty)) = 0$ . We define

$$\int_C \Phi \mu_{J_\infty \mathfrak{X}} := \sum_{a \in \mathcal{R}} \mu_{J_\infty \mathfrak{X}}(\Phi^{-1}(a)) \cdot a \in \mathcal{R} \cup \{\infty\}.$$

**2.4 Stringy invariants**

We still suppose that  $\mathfrak{X} = (X, \Delta, W)$  is a centered log  $D$ -variety.

DEFINITION 2.2. To a coherent ideal sheaf  $I \neq 0$  on  $X$  defining a closed subscheme  $Z \subsetneq X$ , we associate the *order function*,

$$\text{ord } I = \text{ord } Z : J_\infty \mathfrak{X} \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0} \cup \{\infty\},$$

as follows. For an arc  $\gamma : D \rightarrow X$ , the pullback  $\gamma^{-1}I$  of  $I$  is an ideal of  $\mathcal{O}_D$  and of the form  $\mathfrak{m}_D^l$  for some  $l \in \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0} \cup \{\infty\}$ , where we put  $(0) := \mathfrak{m}_D^\infty$  by convention. For a fractional ideal  $I$  (that is, a coherent  $\mathcal{O}_X$ -submodule of  $K(X)$ ), if we write  $I = I_+ \cdot I_-^{-1}$  for ideal sheaves  $I_+$  and  $I_-$  with  $I_-$  locally principal, then we put

$$\text{ord } I := \text{ord } I_+ - \text{ord } I_-.$$

Here, we put  $\text{ord } I = \infty$  if either  $\text{ord } I_+ = \infty$  or  $\text{ord } I_- = \infty$ . Similarly, for a  $\mathbb{Q}$ -linear combination  $Z = \sum_{i=1}^n a_i Z_i$  of closed subschemes  $Z_i \subsetneq X$ , we define

$$\text{ord } Z := \sum_{i=1}^n a_i \cdot \text{ord } Z_i,$$

taking values in  $\mathbb{Q} \cup \{\infty\}$ .

REMARK 2.3. For a closed subscheme  $Z \subsetneq X$ , we expect that  $(\text{ord } Z)^{-1}(\infty)$  has measure zero. The author does not know whether this has been proved, but this follows from the change of variables formula, if there exists a resolution of singularities  $f: \tilde{X} \rightarrow X$  so that  $\tilde{X}$  is regular and  $\tilde{X}_0 \cup f^{-1}(Z)$  is a simple normal crossing divisor. If the expectation is actually true, then order functions for fractional ideals and  $\mathbb{Q}$ -linear combination of closed subschemes are well-defined modulo measure zero subsets.

Let  $r \in \mathbb{Z}_{>0}$  be such that  $rK_{\mathfrak{X}}$  is Cartier. Since the sheaf  $\mathcal{O}_X(rK_{\mathfrak{X}}) = \omega_X^{[r]}(r\Delta)$  is invertible and thought of as a subsheaf of the constant sheaf  $(\bigwedge^d \Omega_{X/D})^{\otimes r} \otimes K(X)$ , we can define a fractional ideal sheaf  $I_{\mathfrak{X}}^r$  by the equality of subsheaves of  $(\bigwedge^d \Omega_{X/D})^{\otimes r} \otimes K(X)$ ,

$$\left( \bigwedge^d \Omega_{X/D} \right)^{\otimes r} / \text{tors} = I_{\mathfrak{X}}^r \cdot \mathcal{O}_X(rK_{\mathfrak{X}}).$$

We then put a function  $\mathbf{f}_{\mathfrak{X}}$  on  $J_{\infty}\mathfrak{X}$  by

$$\mathbf{f}_{\mathfrak{X}} := \frac{1}{r} \text{ord } I_{\mathfrak{X}}^r.$$

Since  $(I_{\mathfrak{X}}^r)^n = I_{\mathfrak{X}}^{r \cdot n}$ , the function  $\mathbf{f}_{\mathfrak{X}}$  is independent of the choice of  $r$ . If  $X$  is smooth, then we simply have  $\mathbf{f}_{\mathfrak{X}} = \text{ord } \Delta$ .

DEFINITION 2.4. The *stringy motif* of  $\mathfrak{X}$  is defined to be

$$M_{\text{st}}(\mathfrak{X}) := \int_{J_{\infty}\mathfrak{X}} \mathbb{L}^{\mathbf{f}_{\mathfrak{X}}} d\mu_{J_{\infty}\mathfrak{X}}.$$

We also write  $M_{\text{st}}(\mathfrak{X}) = M_{\text{st}}(X, \Delta)_W$ , and sometimes omit  $\Delta$  if  $\Delta = 0$ , and  $W$  if  $W = X_0$ . When the integral above converges, we call  $\mathfrak{X}$  *stringily log terminal*. When it diverges, we put  $M_{\text{st}}(\mathfrak{X}) := \infty$ .

CONJECTURE 2.5. If a morphism  $f: \mathfrak{X} \rightarrow \mathfrak{X}'$  of centered log  $D$ -varieties is proper, birational and crepant, then

$$M_{\text{st}}(\mathfrak{X}) = M_{\text{st}}(\mathfrak{X}').$$

PROPOSITION 2.6. Conjecture 2.5 holds if there exists a proper birational morphism  $Y \rightarrow X$  of  $D$ -varieties such that  $Y \otimes_{\mathcal{O}_D} K(D)$  is smooth over  $K(D)$ . In particular, Conjecture 2.5 holds if  $K(D)$  has characteristic zero.

*Proof.* Let  $X_\eta$  be the generic fiber of  $X \rightarrow D$ . From the Hironaka theorem, there exists a coherent ideal sheaf  $I_\eta \subset \mathcal{O}_{X_\eta}$  such that the blowup of  $X_\eta$  along  $I_\eta$  is smooth over  $K(D)$ . Let  $I \subset \mathcal{O}_X$  be a coherent ideal sheaf such that  $I|_{X_\eta} = I_\eta$ . The blowup of  $X$  along  $I$  has a smooth generic fiber. Hence, the second assertion of the lemma follows from the first one.

To prove the first one, we can apply the version of the change of variables formula proved by Sebag [Seb04, Theorem 8.0.5] (see also [NS11]). If  $\mathfrak{Y}$  is the centered log structure on  $Y$  such that the induced morphism  $f : \mathfrak{Y} \rightarrow \mathfrak{X}$  is crepant, then the change of variables formula shows that

$$\int_{J_\infty \mathfrak{X}} \mathbb{L}^{\mathbf{f}_\mathfrak{X}} d\mu_{J_\infty \mathfrak{X}} = \int_{J_\infty \mathfrak{Y}} \mathbb{L}^{\mathbf{f}_\mathfrak{X} \circ f_\infty - \text{ord jac}_f} d\mu_{J_\infty \mathfrak{Y}}.$$

Here,  $\text{ord jac}_f$  is the function of Jacobian orders as defined in [Seb04, page 29]. For  $r \in \mathbb{Z}_{>0}$  such that  $rK_\mathfrak{X}$  and  $rK_\mathfrak{Y}$  are Cartier, we have

$$\left( f^* \left( \bigwedge^d \Omega_{X/D} \right)^{\otimes r} \right) / \text{tors} = f^{-1} I_\mathfrak{X}^r \cdot \mathcal{O}_\mathfrak{Y}(rK_\mathfrak{Y})$$

and

$$\left( \bigwedge^d \Omega_{Y/D} \right)^{\otimes r} / \text{tors} = I_\mathfrak{Y}^r \cdot \mathcal{O}_\mathfrak{Y}(rK_\mathfrak{Y}).$$

This shows that

$$\mathbf{f}_\mathfrak{X} \circ f_\infty - \text{ord jac}_f = \mathbf{f}_\mathfrak{Y}.$$

We obtain  $M_{\text{st}}(\mathfrak{X}) = M_{\text{st}}(\mathfrak{Y})$ , and similarly  $M_{\text{st}}(\mathfrak{X}') = M_{\text{st}}(\mathfrak{Y})$ . We have proved the proposition.  $\square$

**PROPOSITION 2.7.** *Let  $\mathfrak{X} = (X, \Delta, W)$  be a centered log  $D$ -variety and write*

$$\Delta = \sum_{h=1}^l a_h A_h + \sum_{i=1}^m b_i B_i + \sum_{j=1}^n c_j C_j \quad (a_h, b_i \in \mathbb{Q}, c_j \in \mathbb{Q} \setminus \{0\})$$

*such that  $A_h$  are the irreducible components of the closure of  $X_0 \cap X_{\text{sm}}$ ,  $B_i$  are the irreducible components of  $X_0 \setminus X_{\text{sm}}$  and  $C_j$  are prime divisors not contained in  $X_0$ . Let*

$$A_h^\circ := A_h \cap X_{\text{sm}} = A_h \setminus \overline{(X_0 \setminus A_h)}$$

and

$$C_J^\circ := \bigcap_{j \in J} C_j \setminus \bigcup_{j \in \{1, \dots, n\} \setminus J} C_j,$$

with  $\overline{X_0 \setminus A_h}$  the closure of  $X_0 \setminus A_h$ . We suppose that  $X$  is regular and that  $\bigcup_{j=1}^n C_j$  is simple normal crossing, that is, for any  $J \subset \{1, \dots, n\}$ , the scheme-theoretic intersection  $\bigcap_{j \in J} C_j$  is smooth over  $D$ . Then  $\mathfrak{X}$  is stringly log terminal if and only if  $c_j < 1$  for every  $j$ , with  $C_j \cap W \cap X_{\text{sm}} \neq \emptyset$ . Moreover, if this is the case,

$$M_{\text{st}}(\mathfrak{X}) = \sum_{h=1}^l \mathbb{L}^{a_h} \sum_{J \subset \{1, \dots, n\}} [W \cap A_h^\circ \cap C_J^\circ] \prod_{j \in J} \frac{\mathbb{L} - 1}{\mathbb{L}^{1-c_j} - 1}.$$

*Proof.* We first note that the locus  $X_0 \setminus X_{\text{sm}}$  does not have any arc, and hence does not contribute to  $M_{\text{st}}(\mathfrak{X})$ . Since

$$X_0 \cap X_{\text{sm}} = \bigsqcup_{h=1}^l A_h^\circ,$$

we can decompose  $M_{\text{st}}(\mathfrak{X})$  into the sum of components corresponding to  $A_h^\circ$ ,  $h = 1, \dots, l$ . The divisor  $a_h A_h$  contributes to the component corresponding to  $A_h^\circ$  by the multiplication with  $\mathbb{L}^{a_h}$ . From all of these arguments, the proposition has been reduced to the formula

$$M_{\text{st}}(\mathfrak{X}) = \sum_{J \subset \{1, \dots, n\}} [W \cap C_J^\circ] \prod_{j \in J} \frac{\mathbb{L} - 1}{\mathbb{L}^{1-c_j} - 1}$$

in the case where  $X$  is smooth and  $\Delta = \sum_j c_j C_j$ . This is the standard explicit formula (see for instance [Bat98]). □

### 2.5 Group actions

**DEFINITION 2.8.** A *centered log  $G$ - $D$ -variety* is a centered log  $D$ -variety  $\mathfrak{X} = (X, \Delta, W)$  endowed with a faithful  $G$ -action on  $X$  such that  $\Delta$  and  $W$  are stable under the  $G$ -action. Given a variety  $X$  with a faithful  $G$ -action, we say that a centered log structure  $\mathfrak{X}$  on  $X$  is  *$G$ -equivariant* if it is a centered log  $G$ - $D$ -variety.

For a centered log  $G$ - $D$ -variety  $\mathfrak{X}$ , the arc space  $J_\infty \mathfrak{X}$  has a natural  $G$ -action. We define a motivic measure on  $(J_\infty \mathfrak{X})/G$ , denoted by  $\mu_{(J_\infty \mathfrak{X})/G}$ ,

in the same way as defining the motivic measure on  $J_\infty \mathfrak{X}$ , except that in the definition of stable subsets, say  $A$ , fibers of  $\pi_{n+1}(A) \rightarrow \pi_n(A)$  are only assumed to be homeomorphic to the quotient  $\mathbb{A}_k^d/H$  for some linear action of a finite group  $H$  on  $\mathbb{A}_k^d$ .

The function  $\mathbf{f}_\mathfrak{X}$  on  $J_\infty \mathfrak{X}$  is  $G$ -invariant and gives a function on  $(J_\infty \mathfrak{X})/G$ , which we again denote by  $\mathbf{f}_\mathfrak{X}$ . We define

$$M_{\text{st},G}(\mathfrak{X}) := \int_{(J_\infty \mathfrak{X})/G} \mathbb{L}^{\mathbf{f}_\mathfrak{X}} d\mu_{(J_\infty \mathfrak{X})/G}.$$

The reader should not confuse  $M_{\text{st},G}(\mathfrak{X})$  with the orbifold stringy motif  $M_{\text{st}}^G(\mathfrak{X})$ , defined later.

Let us define a  $G$ -prime divisor as a divisor of the form  $\sum_{i=1}^l D_i$ , where  $D_i$  are prime divisors permuted transitively by the  $G$ -actions.

PROPOSITION 2.9. *Let  $\mathfrak{X} = (X, \Delta, W)$  be a centered log  $G$ - $D$ -variety and write*

$$\Delta = \sum_{h=1}^l a_h A_h + \sum_{i=1}^m b_i B_i + \sum_{j=1}^n c_j C_j \quad (a_h, b_i \in \mathbb{Q}, c_j \in \mathbb{Q} \setminus \{0\})$$

such that  $A_h$  are the distinct  $G$ -prime divisors such that  $\bigcup A_h$  is equal to the closure of  $X_0 \cap X_{\text{sm}}$ ,  $B_i$  are the distinct  $G$ -prime divisors with  $\bigcup_i B_i = X_0 \setminus X_{\text{sm}}$  and  $C_j$  are  $G$ -prime divisors not contained in  $X_0$ . We suppose that

- $X$  is regular,
- for any  $J \subset \{1, \dots, n\}$ , the scheme-theoretic intersection  $\bigcap_{j \in J} C_j$  is smooth over  $D$ , and
- for every  $j$  with  $C_j \cap W \cap X_{\text{sm}} \neq \emptyset$ ,  $c_j < 1$ .

With the same notation as in Proposition 2.7, we have

$$M_{\text{st},G}(\mathfrak{X}) = \sum_{h=1}^l \mathbb{L}^{a_h} \sum_{J \subset \{1, \dots, n\}} \left[ \frac{W \cap A_h^\circ \cap C_J^\circ}{G} \right] \prod_{j \in J} \frac{\mathbb{L} - 1}{\mathbb{L}^{1-c_j} - 1}.$$

### §3. $G$ -arcs

In the last subsection, we considered motivic integration over varieties endowed with finite group actions. However, we considered only ordinary (untwisted) arcs, which are not general enough to apply to the McKay

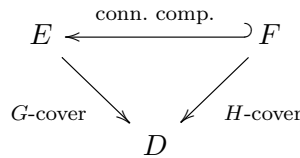
correspondence. Suitably generalized arcs were introduced by Denef and Loeser [DL02] in characteristic zero. The author [Yasa] further generalized them to arbitrary characteristics. We may use generalized arcs of orbifolds or Deligne–Mumford stacks as in [LP04, Yas04, Yas06, Yasa], so that we can treat general orbifolds, having group actions only locally. We do not pursue generalization in this direction, however.

From now on, we fix a finite group  $G$ .

DEFINITION 3.1. By a  $G$ -cover of  $D$ , we mean a  $D$ -scheme  $E$  endowed with a left  $G$ -action such that  $E \otimes_{\mathcal{O}_D} K(D)$  is an étale  $G$ -torsor over  $\text{Spec } K(D)$  and  $E$  is the normalization of  $D$  in  $\mathcal{O}_{E \otimes_{\mathcal{O}_D} K(D)}$ . We denote by  $G\text{-Cov}(D)$  the set of  $G$ -covers of  $D$  up to isomorphism.

REMARK 3.2. In the tame case, there is a one-to-one correspondence between the points of  $G\text{-Cov}(D)$  and the conjugacy classes in  $G$ . In the wild case, however,  $G\text{-Cov}(D)$  is expected to be an infinite-dimensional space having a countable stratification with finite-dimensional strata.

We now fix the following notation:  $E$  is a  $G$ -cover of  $D$ ,  $F$  is a connected component of  $E$  with a stabilizer  $H$  so that  $F$  is an  $H$ -cover of  $D$ .



LEMMA 3.3. Let  $\text{Aut}(E)$  be the automorphism group of  $E$  as a  $G$ -cover of  $D$ . That is, it consists of  $G$ -equivariant  $D$ -automorphisms of  $E$ . We have a natural isomorphism

$$\text{Aut}(E) \cong C_G(H)^{\text{op}},$$

where the right-hand side is the opposite group of the centralizer of  $H$  in  $G$ .

*Proof.* If  $E$  is the trivial  $G$ -cover  $D \times G$  of  $D$ , then its automorphisms are nothing but the right  $G$ -action on  $G$ . Therefore,  $\text{Aut}(E) = G^{\text{op}}$ .

For the general case, let  $E_F$  be the normalization of the fiber product  $E \times_D F$ . This is a trivial  $G$ -cover of  $F$ , and we have a natural injection

$$\text{Aut}(E) \rightarrow \text{Aut}(E_F) = G^{\text{op}}.$$

Its image is the automorphisms of  $E_F$  compatible with the action of  $\text{Gal}(F/D) = H$ . This shows the lemma. □

Let  $V$  be a  $D$ -variety endowed with a faithful left  $G$ -action.

DEFINITION 3.4. We define an  $E$ -twisted  $G$ -arc of  $V$  as a  $G$ -equivariant  $D$ -morphism  $E \rightarrow V$ , and a  $G$ -arc of  $V$  as an  $E$ -twisted  $G$ -arc for some  $E$ . Two  $G$ -arcs  $E \rightarrow V$  and  $E' \rightarrow V$  are said to be *isomorphic* if there exists a  $G$ -equivariant  $D$ -isomorphism  $E \rightarrow E'$  compatible with the morphisms to  $V$ . We denote by  $J_\infty^{G,E}V$  the set of isomorphism classes of  $E$ -twisted  $G$ -arcs of  $V$  and by  $J_\infty^G V$  the set of isomorphism classes of  $G$ -arcs of  $V$ .

Obviously,

$$J_\infty^G V = \bigsqcup_{E \in G\text{-Cov}(D)} J_\infty^{G,E} V.$$

Let  $\text{Hom}_D^G(E, V)$  be the space of  $G$ -equivariant  $D$ -morphisms  $E \rightarrow V$ . We define a left action of  $C_G(H) = \text{Aut}(E)^{\text{op}}$  on  $\text{Hom}_D^G(E, V)$  as follows. For  $a \in C_G(H) = \text{Aut}(E)^{\text{op}}$  and  $f \in \text{Hom}_D^G(E, V)$ ,

$$(3.1) \quad a \cdot (E \xleftarrow{f} V) := (V \xleftarrow{f} E \xleftarrow{a} E) = (V \xleftarrow{a} V \xleftarrow{f} E).$$

By definition, we have

$$(3.2) \quad J_\infty^{G,E} V = \text{Hom}_D^G(E, V) / C_G(H).$$

For  $n \in \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0}$ , we put  $F_n := F/\mathfrak{m}_F^{n \cdot h+1}$ , with  $h := \sharp H$ , and define  $E_n := \bigcup_{g \in G} g(F_n)$ . In particular,  $F_0 \cong \text{Spec } k$ , and  $E_0$  consists of the closed points of  $E$  with the reduced scheme structure.

DEFINITION 3.5. We define an  $E$ -twisted  $G$ - $n$ -jet of  $V$  as a  $G$ -equivariant  $D$ -morphism  $E_n \rightarrow V$ , and put

$$J_n^{G,E} V := \text{Hom}_D^G(E_n, V) / C_G(H) \quad \text{and} \\ J_n^G V = \bigsqcup_{E \in G\text{-Cov}(D)} J_n^{G,E} V.$$

Here, the  $C_G(H)$ -action on  $\text{Hom}_D^G(E_n, V)$  is similarly defined to (3.1).

Note that if  $E \not\cong E'$ , then  $E$ -twisted and  $E'$ -twisted  $G$ - $n$ -jets never give the same point of  $J_n^G V$ . For each  $n \in \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0}$  and  $E \in G\text{-Cov}(D)$ , we have natural maps

$$J_\infty^{G,E} V \rightarrow J_n^{G,E} V \quad \text{and} \quad J_\infty^G V \rightarrow J_n^G V,$$

both of which we will denote by  $\pi_n$ . We have obtained the following commutative diagram:

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc}
 J_{\infty}^{G,E}V & \xrightarrow{\pi_{n+1}} & J_{n+1}^{G,E}V & \longrightarrow & J_n^{G,E}V & \longrightarrow & \{E\} \\
 \downarrow & & \downarrow & & \downarrow & & \downarrow \\
 J_{\infty}^G V & \xrightarrow{\pi_{n+1}} & J_{n+1}^G V & \longrightarrow & J_n^G V & \longrightarrow & G\text{-Cov}(D)
 \end{array}$$

REMARK 3.6. In [Yasa], the author conjectured that the sets  $G\text{-Cov}(D)$ ,  $J_n^{G,E}V$ ,  $J_n^G V$  ( $0 \leq n < \infty$ ) are realized as  $k$ -schemes admitting stratifications with at most countably many finite-dimensional strata, which will be necessary below to define the motivic measure.

Let  $X$  be the quotient scheme  $V/G$ , writing the quotient morphism as

$$p : V \rightarrow X.$$

Given a  $G$ -arc  $E \rightarrow V$ , we get an arc  $D \rightarrow X$  by taking the  $G$ -quotients of the source and the target. This gives a natural map

$$p_{\infty} : J_{\infty}^G V \rightarrow J_{\infty} X.$$

Let  $T \subset V$  be the ramification locus of  $\pi$ , say, with the reduced scheme structure and  $\bar{T} \subset X$  its image. The map  $p_{\infty}$  restricts to the bijection

$$J_{\infty}^G V \setminus J_{\infty}^G T \rightarrow J_{\infty} X \setminus J_{\infty} \bar{T}.$$

For  $n < \infty$ , we have a natural map

$$p_n : \pi_n(J_{\infty}^G V) \rightarrow J_n X,$$

where  $\pi_n$  denotes the natural map  $J_{\infty}^G V \rightarrow J_n^G V$ .

For a centered log  $G$ - $D$ -variety  $\mathfrak{V}$  and  $n \in \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0} \cup \{\infty\}$ , we define  $J_n^G \mathfrak{V}$  and  $J_n^{G,E} \mathfrak{V}$  as the subsets of  $J_n^G V$  and  $J_n^{G,E} V$  consisting of the morphisms  $E_n \rightarrow V$  sending the closed points of  $E_n$  into the center of  $\mathfrak{V}$ .

### §4. The untwisting technique revisited

In this section, we revisit the technique of *untwisting*, which was first used by Denef and Loeser [DL02] in characteristic zero, and generalized to arbitrary characteristics by the author [Yasa]. Our constructions below are slightly different and refined from the ones in [Yasa].



Let us now turn to the case where  $V$  is an affine space over  $D$  and the given  $G$ -action is linear. We keep fixed a  $G$ -cover  $E$  of  $D$  and a connected component  $F$  of  $E$  with stabilizer  $H$ .

For a free  $\mathcal{O}_D$ -module  $M$  of rank  $d$ , let  $\mathcal{O}_V := S_{\mathcal{O}_D}^\bullet M$  be its symmetric algebra, and put

$$V = \text{Spec } \mathcal{O}_V = \mathbb{A}_D^d.$$

We suppose that the module  $M$  and hence the  $\mathcal{O}_D$ -algebra  $\mathcal{O}_V$  have faithful *right*  $G$ -actions. Then  $V$  has the induced *left*  $G$ -action. The set  $\text{Hom}_D^G(E, V)$  can be identified with the  $\mathcal{O}_D$ -module

$$\Xi_F := \text{Hom}_{\mathcal{O}_D}^H(M, \mathcal{O}_F) = \text{Hom}_{\mathcal{O}_D}^G(M, \mathcal{O}_E).$$

We call  $\Xi_F$  the *tuning module*.

REMARK 4.1. If we fix a basis of  $M$ , then the module  $\text{Hom}_{\mathcal{O}_D}(M, \mathcal{O}_E)$  is identified with  $\mathcal{O}_E^{\oplus d}$ . This module  $\mathcal{O}_E^{\oplus d}$  has two  $G$ -actions: one is the diagonal  $G$ -action induced from the given  $G$ -action on  $\mathcal{O}_E$  and the other is the one induced from the  $G$ -action on  $M$ . For an element of  $\mathcal{O}_E^{\oplus d}$  corresponding to a  $G$ -equivariant map  $M \rightarrow \mathcal{O}_E$ , the two actions must coincide. We thus can identify  $\Xi_F$  with the locus in  $\mathcal{O}_E^{\oplus d}$  where the two actions coincide. This was how the module  $\Xi_F$  was presented in previous papers [Yasa, WY15].

LEMMA 4.2. [Yasa, WY15] *The module  $\Xi_F$  is a free  $\mathcal{O}_D$ -module of rank  $d$ . Moreover, it is a saturated  $\mathcal{O}_D$ -submodule of  $\text{Hom}_{\mathcal{O}_D}(M, \mathcal{O}_F)$  and of  $\text{Hom}_{\mathcal{O}_D}(M, \mathcal{O}_E)$ : for  $a \in \mathcal{O}_D$  and  $f \in \text{Hom}_{\mathcal{O}_D}(M, \mathcal{O}_E)$ , if  $af \in \Xi_F$ , then  $f \in \Xi_F$ .*

From (3.2),

$$J_\infty^{G,E} V = \Xi_F / C_G(H).$$

Note that the  $C_G(H)$ -action on  $\Xi_F$  is  $\mathcal{O}_D$ -linear.

LEMMA 4.3. *The maps*

$$\pi_{n+1}(J_\infty^G V) \rightarrow \pi_n(J_\infty^G V)$$

*have fibers homeomorphic to the quotient of  $\mathbb{A}_k^d$  by a linear action of a finite group.*

*Proof.* If we denote the map  $\Xi_F \rightarrow \text{Hom}_D^H(F_n, V)$  again by  $\pi_n$ , the image  $\pi_n(\Xi_F)$  is isomorphic to  $(\mathcal{O}_D/\mathfrak{m}_D^{n+1})^{\oplus d}$ . This shows that the fibers of

$$\pi_{n+1}(\Xi_F) \rightarrow \pi_n(\Xi_F)$$

are isomorphic to  $\mathbb{A}_k^d$ , proving the lemma. □

DEFINITION 4.4. We define a motivic measure  $\mu_{J_\infty^G V}$  on  $J_\infty^G V$  in the same way as the ones on  $J_\infty V$  and  $(J_\infty V)/G$ . If  $\mathfrak{V}$  is a  $G$ -equivariant centered log structure on  $V$ , we define the measure  $\mu_{J_\infty^G \mathfrak{V}}$  on  $J_\infty^G \mathfrak{V}$  as the restriction of  $\mu_{J_\infty^G V}$ .

REMARK 4.5. For the definition above to make sense, we need the conjecture that moduli spaces  $G\text{-Cov}(D)$  and  $J_n^G V$  exist and have some finiteness (see Remark 3.6).

DEFINITION 4.6. We define modules,

$$M^{|F|} := \text{Hom}_{\mathcal{O}_D}(\Xi_F, \mathcal{O}_D) \quad \text{and}$$

$$M^{\langle F \rangle} := M^{|F|} \otimes_{\mathcal{O}_D} \mathcal{O}_F = \text{Hom}_{\mathcal{O}_D}(\Xi_F, \mathcal{O}_F),$$

which are free modules of rank  $d$  over  $\mathcal{O}_D$  and  $\mathcal{O}_F$  respectively. We define an  $\mathcal{O}_D$ -linear map

$$u^* = u_F^* : M \rightarrow M^{\langle F \rangle}$$

$$m \mapsto (\Xi \ni f \mapsto f(m) \in \mathcal{O}_F),$$

identifying  $\Xi_F$  with  $\text{Hom}_{\mathcal{O}_D}^H(M, \mathcal{O}_F)$  rather than  $\text{Hom}_{\mathcal{O}_D}^G(M, \mathcal{O}_E)$ .

LEMMA 4.7. We suppose that  $H$  and  $C_G(H)$  act on  $M$  by restricting the given  $G$ -action.

- (1) With respect to the  $H$ -action on  $M^{\langle F \rangle}$  induced from the  $H$ -action on  $\mathcal{O}_F$ , the map  $u^*$  is  $H$ -equivariant.
- (2) With respect to the  $C_G(H)$ -action on  $M^{\langle F \rangle}$  induced from the (left)  $C_G(H)$ -action on  $\Xi_F$ , the map  $u^*$  is  $C_G(H)$ -equivariant.

*Proof.*

- (1) For  $h \in H$  and  $m \in M$ , we have

$$u^*(mh) = (f \mapsto f(mh))$$

$$= (f \mapsto f(m)h)$$

$$= (f \mapsto f(m))h,$$

since  $f \in \Xi$  are  $H$ -equivariant. This shows the assertion.

(2) Let  $M^{(E)} := \text{Hom}_{\mathcal{O}_D}(\Xi_F, \mathcal{O}_E)$  and consider the natural map

$$u_E^* : M \rightarrow M^{(E)}, \quad m \mapsto (f \mapsto f(m)),$$

now identifying  $\Xi_F$  with  $\text{Hom}_{\mathcal{O}_D}^G(M, \mathcal{O}_E)$ . This map is  $C_G(H)$ -equivariant. Indeed, for  $g \in C_G(H)$  and  $m \in M$ , from (3.1), we have

$$\begin{aligned} u_E^*(mg) &= (f \mapsto f(mg)) \\ &= (f \mapsto f(m)g) \\ &= (f \mapsto (gf)(m)). \end{aligned}$$

The map  $u_E^*$  factors as

$$M \xrightarrow{u_F^*} M^{(F)} \hookrightarrow M^{(E)}.$$

Since the inclusion  $M^{(F)} \hookrightarrow M^{(E)}$  is also  $C_G(H)$ -equivariant, so does  $u_F^*$ . □

Note that the  $H$ - and  $C_G(H)$ -actions above on  $M^{(F)}$  commute.

DEFINITION 4.8. We define the *untwisting variety* (resp. *pre-untwisting variety*) of  $V$  with respect to  $F$  as

$$V^{|F|} := \text{Spec } S_{\mathcal{O}_D}^\bullet M^{|F|} = \mathbb{A}_D^d \quad (\text{resp. } V^{(F)} := \text{Spec } S_{\mathcal{O}_F}^\bullet M^{(F)} = \mathbb{A}_F^d).$$

We denote the projection  $V^{(F)} \rightarrow V^{|F|}$  by  $r = r_F$ , where  $r$  stands for the restriction of scalars (see diagram (4.1) below). The map  $u^*$  defines a  $D$ -morphism

$$u : V^{(F)} \rightarrow V,$$

which is both  $H$ - and  $C_G(H)$ -equivariant. We call the pair of  $r$  and  $u$  the *untwisting correspondence* of  $V$  with respect to  $F$ .

Let  $X := V/G$ , and identify  $\mathcal{O}_X$  with  $(\mathcal{O}_V)^G$ . Since the  $H$ -invariant subring of  $\mathcal{O}_{V^{(F)}}$  is

$$(\mathcal{O}_{V^{(F)}})^H = \mathcal{O}_{V^{|F|}},$$

we have

$$u^*(\mathcal{O}_X) \subset \mathcal{O}_{V|F|}.$$

We denote the induced morphism  $V|F| \rightarrow X$  by  $p|F|$ . We have the following commutative diagram:

$$(4.1) \quad \begin{array}{ccc} & V^{(F)} = \mathbb{A}_F^d & \\ u \swarrow & & \searrow r \\ V = \mathbb{A}_D^d & & V|F| = \mathbb{A}_D^d \\ p \searrow & & \swarrow p|F| \\ & X = V/G & \end{array}$$

LEMMA 4.9.

(1) *The map*

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Hom}_F^H(F, V^{(F)}) &\rightarrow \Xi_F = \text{Hom}_D^H(F, V) \\ \gamma &\mapsto u \circ \gamma \end{aligned}$$

*is bijective.*

(2) *The map*

$$\text{Hom}_F^H(F, V^{(F)}) \rightarrow J_\infty V|F| = \text{Hom}_D(D, V|F|),$$

*sending a morphism  $F \rightarrow V^{(F)}$  to the induced one of quotients,*

$$D = F/H \rightarrow V|F| = V^{(F)}/H,$$

*is bijective.*

*Proof.*

(1) With the identification

$$\text{Hom}_F^H(F, V^{(F)}) = \text{Hom}_{\mathcal{O}_F}^H(\text{Hom}_{\mathcal{O}_D}(\Xi_F, \mathcal{O}_F), \mathcal{O}_F),$$

the map of the assertion is identified with the map

$$a : \text{Hom}_{\mathcal{O}_F}^H(\text{Hom}_{\mathcal{O}_D}(\Xi_F, \mathcal{O}_F), \mathcal{O}_F) \rightarrow \Xi_F$$

$$\phi \mapsto (m \mapsto \phi((f \mapsto f(m))))$$

where  $m \in M$  and  $f \in \Xi_F$ . Let us consider the map

$$b : \Xi_F \rightarrow \text{Hom}_{\mathcal{O}_F}^H(\text{Hom}_{\mathcal{O}_D}(\Xi_F, \mathcal{O}_F), \mathcal{O}_F)$$

$$f \mapsto (z \mapsto z(f)),$$

where  $z \in \text{Hom}_{\mathcal{O}_D}(\Xi_F, \mathcal{O}_F)$ . The composition  $a \circ b$  sends  $f \in \Xi_F$  to

$$(m \mapsto (z \mapsto z(f)) (h \mapsto h(m))) = (m \mapsto f(m))$$

$$= f,$$

and hence is the identity map. It follows that  $a$  is surjective. Now the assertion follows from the fact that the source and target of  $a$  are free  $\mathcal{O}_D$ -modules of the same rank and  $a$  is a homomorphism of  $\mathcal{O}_D$ -modules.

(2) We can give the converse by the base change associated to  $F \rightarrow D$ .  $\square$

In summary, we have a one-to-one correspondence between  $\Xi_F$  and  $J_\infty V^{|F|}$ , induced from the untwisting correspondence. From Lemma 4.7, the correspondence is compatible with the  $C_G(H)$ -actions on both sides. Therefore, it descends to a one-to-one correspondence between  $J_\infty^{G,E} V$  and  $(J_\infty V^{|F|})/C_G(H)$ . We obtain the following commutative diagram:

(4.2)

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 & \text{Hom}_F^H(F, V^{\langle F \rangle}) & \\
 & \swarrow \text{1-to-1} & \searrow \text{1-to-1} \\
 \Xi_F & \xleftrightarrow{\text{1-to-1}} & J_\infty V^{|F|} \\
 \downarrow & & \downarrow \\
 J_\infty^{G,E} V & \xleftrightarrow{\text{1-to-1}} & (J_\infty V^{|F|})/C_G(H) \\
 & \searrow p_\infty & \swarrow \\
 & J_\infty X & 
 \end{array}$$

For  $n < \infty$ , we have a similar diagram:

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 & \pi_n(\mathrm{Hom}_F^H(F, V^{\langle F \rangle})) & \\
 \beta \swarrow & & \searrow \text{1-to-1} \\
 \pi_n(\Xi_F) & & J_n V^{|F|} \\
 \downarrow & & \downarrow \\
 \pi_n(J_\infty^{G,E} V) & & (J_n V^{|F|})/C_G(H) \\
 & \searrow & \swarrow \\
 & J_n X &
 \end{array}
 \tag{4.3}$$

Note that the arrow  $\beta$  is no longer bijective. When  $n = 0$ , the diagram is represented as

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 & V_0^{\langle F \rangle} & \\
 \beta \swarrow & & \searrow \text{1-to-1} \\
 (V_0)^H & & V_0^{|F|} \\
 \downarrow & & \downarrow \\
 (V_0)^H/C_G(H) & & (V_0^{|F|})/C_G(H) \\
 & \searrow & \swarrow \\
 & X_0 &
 \end{array}
 \tag{4.4}$$

Here,  $(V_0)^H$  is the fixed-point locus of the  $H$ -action on  $V_0$ .

**§5. The change of variables formula**

The untwisting technique, discussed in the last section, enables us to deduce a conjectural change of variables formula for the map  $p_\infty : J_\infty^G V \rightarrow J_\infty X$ . In turn, it derives the McKay correspondence for linear actions in the next section.

We keep the notation from the last section.

DEFINITION 5.1. Let  $f : T \rightarrow S$  be a morphism of  $D$ -varieties which is generically étale. The *Jacobian ideal (sheaf)*

$$\text{Jac}_f = \text{Jac}_{T/S} \subset \mathcal{O}_T$$

is defined as the zeroth Fitting ideal (sheaf) of  $\Omega_{T/S}$ , the sheaf of Kähler differentials. We denote by  $\mathbf{j}_f$  the order function of  $\text{Jac}_f$  on  $J_\infty T$ ,  $(J_\infty T)/G$  or  $J_\infty^G T$  if  $T$  has a faithful action of a finite group  $G$ . The ambiguity of the domain will not cause confusion.

REMARK 5.2. When  $T$  is smooth, the function  $\mathbf{j}_f$  on  $J_\infty T$  coincides with the Jacobian order function, denoted by  $\text{ord jac}_f$ , in [Seb04] and mentioned in the proof of Proposition 2.6.

CONJECTURE 5.3. Let the assumption be as in Section 4. Let  $\Phi : J_\infty X \supset A \rightarrow \mathcal{R} \cup \{\infty\}$  be a measurable function, with  $A \subset p_\infty(J_\infty^{G,E} V)$ , and let  $p_{(\infty)}^{|F|}$  be the natural map  $(J_\infty V^{|F|})/C_G(H) \rightarrow J_\infty X$ . We have

$$\int_A \Phi \, d\mu_{J_\infty X} = \int_{(p_{(\infty)}^{|F|})^{-1}(A)} (\Phi \circ p_{(\infty)}^{|F|}) \mathbb{L}^{-\mathbf{j}_{p^{|F|}}} \, d\mu_{(J_\infty V^{|F|})/C_G(H)}.$$

Although there is no written proof of the conjecture in this general form in the literature as far as the author knows, the conjecture is likely to be proved by using existing techniques and arguments from [DL02] and [Seb04].

DEFINITION 5.4. [Yasa] For  $E \in G\text{-Cov}(D)$  with a connected component  $F$ , we define the *weights* of  $E$  and  $F$  with respect to  $V$  as

$$\mathbf{w}_V(E) = \mathbf{w}_V(F) := \text{codim}((V_0)^H, V_0) - \mathbf{v}_V(E),$$

with

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{v}_V(E) = \mathbf{v}_V(F) &:= \frac{1}{\sharp G} \cdot \text{length} \frac{\text{Hom}_{\mathcal{O}_D}(M, \mathcal{O}_E)}{\mathcal{O}_E \cdot \Xi_F} \\ &= \frac{1}{\sharp H} \cdot \text{length} \frac{\text{Hom}_{\mathcal{O}_D}(M, \mathcal{O}_F)}{\mathcal{O}_F \cdot \Xi_F}. \end{aligned}$$

For the generalization to the case where  $k$  is only perfect, see [WY15].

The definition above gives the *weight function*,

$$\mathbf{w}_V : G\text{-Cov}(D) \rightarrow \frac{1}{\sharp G} \mathbb{Z}.$$

We will denote the composition

$$J_\infty^G V \rightarrow G\text{-Cov}(D) \rightarrow \frac{1}{\sharp G} \mathbb{Z}$$

again by  $\mathbf{w}_V$ .

DEFINITION 5.5. For an ideal  $I \subset \mathcal{O}_V$  stable under the  $G$ -action and a  $G$ -arc  $\gamma : E \rightarrow V$ , we define a function

$$\text{ord } I : J_\infty^G V \rightarrow \frac{1}{\sharp G} \mathbb{Z} \cup \{\infty\}$$

by

$$(\text{ord } I)(\gamma) := \frac{1}{\sharp G} \text{length} \frac{\mathcal{O}_E}{\gamma^{-1}I} = \frac{1}{\sharp H} \text{length} \frac{\mathcal{O}_F}{(\gamma|_F)^{-1}I}.$$

We then extend this to  $G$ -stable fractional ideals and  $G$ -stable  $\mathbb{Q}$ -linear combinations of closed subschemes as in Definition 2.2.

The conjectural change of variables formula is stated as follows.

CONJECTURE 5.6. [Yasa] For a measurable function  $\Phi : J_\infty X \supset C \rightarrow \mathcal{R} \cup \{\infty\}$ , we have

$$\int_C \Phi \, d\mu_{J_\infty X} = \int_{p_\infty^{-1}(C)} (\Phi \circ p_\infty) \mathbb{L}^{-\mathbf{j}_p + \mathbf{w}_V} \, d\mu_{J_\infty^G V}.$$

To explain where the formula comes from, we first show a lemma.

LEMMA 5.7. We have

$$\text{Jac}_{V^{(F)}/V \times_D F} = \mathfrak{m}_F^{\sharp H \cdot \mathbf{v}_V(F)} \mathcal{O}_{V^{(F)}}.$$

Proof. Let  $u' : V^{(F)} \rightarrow V \times_D F$  be the natural map. We have the standard exact sequence

$$(u')^* \Omega_{V \times_D F/F} \rightarrow \Omega_{V^{(F)}/F} \rightarrow \Omega_{V^{(F)}/V \times_D F} \rightarrow 0.$$

The left map is identical to the map

$$M \otimes_{\mathcal{O}_D} \mathcal{O}_{V^{(F)}} \rightarrow M^{(F)} \otimes_{\mathcal{O}_F} \mathcal{O}_{V^{(F)}}.$$

Since the Fitting ideal is compatible with base changes (for instance, see [Eis95, Corollary 20.5]), if  $I$  denotes the zeroth Fitting ideal of

$$\text{coker}(M \otimes_{\mathcal{O}_D} \mathcal{O}_F \rightarrow M^{(F)}),$$



we have  $\text{Jac}_{V^{(F)}/V \times_D F} = I \cdot \mathcal{O}_{V^{(F)}}$ . It is now easy to see that  $I = \mathfrak{m}_F^{\#H \cdot \mathbf{v}_V(F)}$ , for instance, by considering a triangular matrix representing the map  $M \otimes_{\mathcal{O}_D} \mathcal{O}_F \rightarrow M^{(F)}$  for suitable bases.  $\square$

Conjecture 5.6 can be guessed from the following conjecture.

CONJECTURE 5.8. *For  $\gamma \in J_\infty^G V$  and  $n \gg 0$ , the fiber of the map*

$$p_n : \pi_n(J_\infty^G V) \rightarrow J_n X$$

*over the image of  $\gamma$  is homeomorphic to a quotient of the affine space*

$$\mathbb{A}_k^{(\mathbf{j}_p - \mathbf{w}_V)(\gamma)}$$

*by a linear finite group action.*

To see this, we first note that since two  $G$ -arcs  $E \rightarrow V$  and  $E' \rightarrow V$  with  $E \not\cong E'$  have distinct images in  $J_n X$  for  $n \gg 0$ , we can focus on  $J_\infty^{G,E} V$  for fixed  $E$ . Fixing a  $G$ -arc  $\gamma : E \rightarrow V$ , we consider the map

$$(J_n V^{|F|})/C_G(H) \rightarrow J_n X.$$

The fiber of this map over the image of  $\gamma$  should be homeomorphic to

$$\mathbb{A}_k^{\mathbf{j}_{p|F|}(\gamma')} / A,$$

where  $\gamma'$  is an arc of  $V^{|F|}$  corresponding to  $\gamma$ , and  $A$  is a certain subgroup of  $C_G(H)$  acting linearly on the affine space. This fact would be proved in the course of proving Conjecture 5.3. On the other hand, the map

$$\pi_n(\text{Hom}_F^H(F, V^{(F)}))/C_G(H) \rightarrow \pi_n(J_\infty^G V)$$

induced by  $u$  has fibers homeomorphic to

$$\mathbb{A}_k^{\text{codim}((V_0)^H, V_0)} / B$$

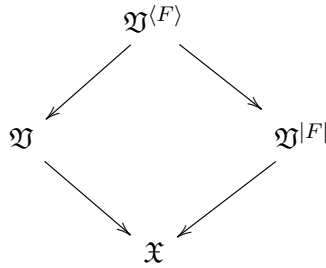
for some finite group  $B$ , which can be seen by looking at diagrams (4.2)–(4.4). From Lemma 5.7,

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{j}_{p|F|} - \text{codim}((V_0)^H, V_0) &= \mathbf{j}_{V^{(F)}/X \times_D F} - \text{codim}((V_0)^H, V_0) \\ &= (\mathbf{j}_{V \times_D F/X \times_D F} + \mathbf{j}_{V^{(F)}/V \times_D F}) - \text{codim}((V_0)^H, V_0) \\ &= \mathbf{j}_p - \mathbf{w}_V, \end{aligned}$$

concluding Conjecture 5.8.

**§6. The McKay correspondence for linear actions**

To state the McKay correspondence conjecture for linear actions, we first define the notion of *orbifold stringy motifs*. Keeping the notation from the last section, let  $\mathfrak{X}$ ,  $\mathfrak{Y}$ ,  $\mathfrak{Y}^{(F)}$  and  $\mathfrak{Y}^{|F|}$  be centered log structures on  $X$ ,  $V$ ,  $V^{(F)}$  and  $V^{|F|}$  respectively, so that the following morphisms are all crepant:



Since  $X$  is  $\mathbb{Q}$ -factorial, either  $\mathfrak{X}$  or  $\mathfrak{Y}$  determines the other centered log structures. The centered log structure  $\mathfrak{Y}$  is  $G$ -equivariant and  $\mathfrak{Y}^{|F|}$   $C_G(H)$ -equivariant.

DEFINITION 6.1. We define the *orbifold stringy motif* of the centered log  $G$ - $D$ -variety  $\mathfrak{Y}$  to be

$$M_{\text{st}}^G(\mathfrak{Y}) := \int_{J_{\infty}^G \mathfrak{Y}} \mathbb{L}^{\mathbf{f}_{\mathfrak{Y}} + \mathbf{w}_V} d\mu_{\mathfrak{Y}}^G.$$

Note that since  $\mathfrak{Y}$  is smooth over  $D$ , we have  $\mathbf{f}_{\mathfrak{Y}} = \text{ord } \Delta$  for the boundary  $\Delta$  of  $\mathfrak{Y}$ .

Arguments as in the proof of Proposition 2.6 deduce the following conjecture from Conjecture 5.6.

CONJECTURE 6.2. (The motivic McKay correspondence for linear actions I) *We have*

$$M_{\text{st}}(\mathfrak{X}) = M_{\text{st}}^G(\mathfrak{Y}).$$

We next formulate a conjecture presented in a slightly different way so that we are able to generalize it to the nonlinear case easily.

DEFINITION 6.3. For  $E \in G\text{-Cov}(D)$ , we define the  $E$ -parts of  $M_{\text{st}}^G(\mathfrak{Y})$  and  $M_{\text{st}}(\mathfrak{X})$  respectively by

$$M_{\text{st}}^{G,E}(\mathfrak{Y}) := \int_{J_{\infty}^{G,E} \mathfrak{Y}} \mathbb{L}^{\mathbf{f}_{\mathfrak{Y}} + \mathbf{w}_V} d\mu_{J_{\infty}^G \mathfrak{Y}} \quad \text{and}$$

$$M_{\text{st}}^E(\mathfrak{X}) := \int_{p_\infty(J_\infty^{G,E}\mathfrak{Y})} \mathbb{L}^{\mathfrak{f}_\mathfrak{X}} d\mu_{J_\infty\mathfrak{X}}.$$

By the same reasoning as that for the last conjecture, we would have

$$(6.1) \quad M_{\text{st}}^{G,E}(\mathfrak{Y}) = M_{\text{st}}^E(\mathfrak{X}).$$

On the other hand, from Conjecture 5.3, we would have

$$(6.2) \quad M_{\text{st}}^E(\mathfrak{X}) = M_{\text{st},C_G(H)}(\mathfrak{Y}^{|F|}).$$

Let  $G\text{-Cov}(D) = \bigsqcup_{i=0}^\infty A_i$  be a conjectural stratification with finite-dimensional strata  $A_i$  (see Remark 3.6). The author [Yasa] conjectures also that each stratum  $A_i$  may not be of finite type over  $k$ , but the limit of a family

$$X_1 \xrightarrow{f_1} X_2 \xrightarrow{f_2} \dots$$

such that  $X_j$  are of finite type and  $f_i$  are homeomorphisms. We then define a *constructible subset* of  $G\text{-Cov}(D)$  as a constructible subset of  $\bigsqcup_{i=0}^n A_i$  for some  $n < \infty$ , which would be well defined thanks to this conjecture. For a constructible subset  $C$  of  $G\text{-Cov}(D)$ , its class  $[C]$  in  $\mathcal{R}$  is well defined. Let  $\tau$  denote the *tautological motivic measure* on  $G\text{-Cov}(D)$  given by  $\tau(C) := [C]$  for a constructible subset  $C$ . If a function  $\Phi : G\text{-Cov}(D) \rightarrow \mathcal{R} \cup \{\infty\}$  is constructible, that is, its image is countable and all fibers  $\Phi^{-1}(a)$ ,  $a \in \mathcal{R}$  are constructible, then the integral  $\int_{G\text{-Cov}(D)} \Phi d\tau$  is defined by

$$\int_{G\text{-Cov}(D)} \Phi d\tau := \sum_{a \in \mathcal{R}} \tau(\Phi^{-1}(a)) \cdot a \in \mathcal{R} \cup \{\infty\}.$$

From Conjecture 6.2 and conjectural equations (6.1) and (6.2), it seems natural to expect

$$M_{\text{st}}^G(\mathfrak{Y}) = \int_{G\text{-Cov}(D)} M_{\text{st},C_G(H)}(\mathfrak{Y}^{|F|}) d\tau,$$

and hence we have the following conjecture.

CONJECTURE 6.4. (The motivic McKay correspondence for linear actions II) *We have*

$$M_{\text{st}}(\mathfrak{X}) = \int_{G\text{-Cov}(D)} M_{\text{st},C_G(H)}(\mathfrak{Y}^{|F|}) d\tau.$$

This formulation of the McKay correspondence is what we generalize to the nonlinear case.

To make this conjecture more meaningful, it would be nice if we could compute  $M_{\text{st}, C_G(H)}(\mathfrak{Y}^{|F|})$  explicitly. For this purpose, next we see how to determine the centered log structures  $\mathfrak{Y}^{\langle F \rangle}$  and  $\mathfrak{Y}^{|F|}$  from  $\mathfrak{Y}$ . Let us write  $\mathfrak{Y} = (V, \Delta, W)$ ,  $\mathfrak{Y}^{\langle F \rangle} = (V, \Delta^{\langle F \rangle}, W^{\langle F \rangle})$  and  $\mathfrak{Y}^{|F|} = (V, \Delta^{|F|}, W^{|F|})$ . The centers  $W^{\langle F \rangle}$  and  $W^{|F|}$  are simply determined by

$$W^{\langle F \rangle} = u^{-1}(W) \quad \text{and} \quad W^{|F|} = r(W^{\langle F \rangle}).$$

The boundaries  $\Delta^{\langle F \rangle}$  and  $\Delta^{|F|}$  are determined as follows.

LEMMA 6.5. *Regarding  $V_0^{\langle F \rangle}$  and  $V_0^{|F|}$  prime divisors on  $V^{\langle F \rangle}$  and  $V^{|F|}$ , we have*

$$\begin{aligned} \Delta^{\langle F \rangle} &= u^* \Delta - (\sharp H \cdot \mathbf{v}_V(E) + d_{F/D}) \cdot V_0^{\langle F \rangle}, \\ \Delta^{|F|} &= \frac{1}{\sharp H} \cdot r_* u^* \Delta - \mathbf{v}_V(E) \cdot V_0^{|F|}. \end{aligned}$$

Here,  $d_{F/D}$  is the different exponent of  $F/D$ , characterized by  $\Omega_{F/D} \cong \mathcal{O}_F/\mathfrak{m}_F^{d_{F/D}}$ .

*Proof.* For the first equality, we have

$$\begin{aligned} u^*(K_V + \Delta) &= K_{V^{\langle F \rangle}} - K_{V^{\langle F \rangle}/V} + u^* \Delta \\ &= K_{V^{\langle F \rangle}} - K_{V^{\langle F \rangle}/V \times_D F} - (u')^* K_{V \times_D F/V} + u^* \Delta. \end{aligned}$$

Here,  $K_{V^{\langle F \rangle}}$  is the canonical divisor of  $V^{\langle F \rangle}$  as a  $D$ -variety rather than an  $F$ -variety, and  $u'$  denotes the natural morphism  $V^{\langle F \rangle} \rightarrow V \times_D F$ . From Lemma 5.7,

$$K_{V^{\langle F \rangle}/V \times_D F} = \sharp H \cdot \mathbf{v}_V(E) \cdot V_0^{\langle F \rangle}.$$

Since  $(u')^* K_{V \times_D F/V}$  is the pullback of  $K_{F/D}$ , we have

$$(u')^* K_{V \times_D F/V} = d_{F/D} \cdot V_0^{\langle F \rangle}.$$

These equalities show the first equality of the lemma.

The second one follows from

$$\begin{aligned}
 r^* & \left( K_{V^{|F|}} + \frac{1}{\sharp H} \cdot r_* u^* \Delta - \mathbf{v}(E) \cdot V_0^{|F|} \right) \\
 & = K_{V^{(F)}} - K_{V^{(F)}/V^{|F|}} + u^* \Delta - \sharp H \cdot \mathbf{v}_V(E) \cdot V_0^{\langle F \rangle} \\
 & = K_{V^{(F)}} + u^* \Delta - (\sharp H \cdot \mathbf{v}_V(E) + d_{F/E}) \cdot V_0^{\langle F \rangle} \\
 & = K_{V^{(F)}} + \Delta^{\langle F \rangle}. \quad \square
 \end{aligned}$$

EXAMPLE 6.6. Suppose that  $\Delta = 0$  and  $W = \{o\}$ , with  $o \in V_0$  the origin. Then  $\Delta^{|F|} = -\mathbf{v}_V(E) \cdot V_0^{|F|}$  and  $W^{|F|} \cong \mathbb{A}_k^{\text{codim}((V_0)^H, V_0)}$ . Hence,

$$M_{\text{st}}^{G,E}(\mathfrak{Y}) = M_{\text{st},C_G(H)}(\mathfrak{Y}^{|F|}) = \mathbb{L}^{\mathbf{w}_V(E)}.$$

Conjecture 6.4 is reduced to the form

$$(6.3) \quad M_{\text{st}}(\mathfrak{X}) = \int_{G\text{-Cov}(D)} \mathbb{L}^{\mathbf{w}_V} d\tau.$$

If  $p: V \rightarrow X$  is étale in codimension one, and if we denote  $p(o)$  again by  $o$ , then  $M_{\text{st}}(\mathfrak{X}) = M_{\text{st}}(X)_o$ , and the last equality is exactly what was conjectured in [Yasa].

REMARK 6.7. If  $\sharp G$  is prime to the characteristic of  $k$ , then  $G\text{-Cov}(D)$  is identified with the set of conjugacy classes of  $G$ , denoted by  $\text{Conj}(G)$ . Equality (6.3) in the last example is then written as

$$M_{\text{st}}(\mathfrak{X}) = \sum_{[g] \in \text{Conj}(G)} \mathbb{L}^{\mathbf{w}_V(g)}.$$

Expressing the weights  $\mathbf{w}_V(g)$  in terms of eigenvalues, we recover results by Batyrev [Bat99] and Denef and Loeser [DL02].

**§7. The McKay correspondence for nonlinear actions**

In this section, we generalize Conjecture 6.4 to the nonlinear case. This is rather easy, once we have formulated the conjecture as it is.

Let us consider an affine  $D$ -variety  $\mathfrak{v} = \text{Spec } \mathcal{O}_{\mathfrak{v}}$  endowed with a faithful  $G$ -action. We fix a  $G$ -equivariant (locally closed) immersion

$$\mathfrak{v} \hookrightarrow V$$

into an affine space  $V \cong \mathbb{A}_D^d$  endowed with a linear  $G$ -action. Identifying  $G$ -arcs of  $\mathfrak{v}$  with those of  $V$  factoring through  $\mathfrak{v}$ , we regard  $J_{\infty}^G \mathfrak{v}$  as a subset of  $J_{\infty}^G V$ .

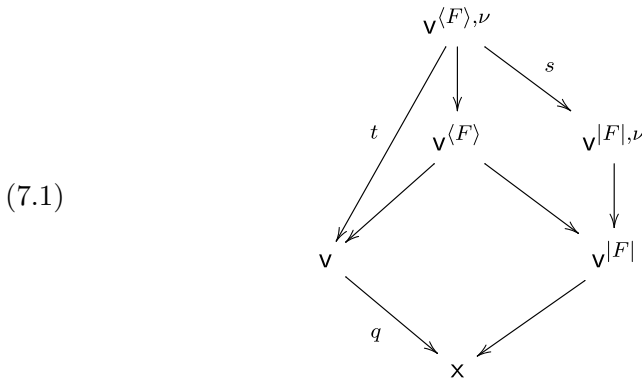
REMARK 7.1. Such an immersion always exists. Indeed, let  $f_1, \dots, f_n$  be generators of  $\mathcal{O}_v$  as an  $\mathcal{O}_D$ -algebra, let  $A := \bigcup_i f_i G$ , the union of their orbits, and let  $\mathcal{O}_D[x_f \mid f \in A]$  be the polynomial ring with variables  $x_f, f \in A$  over  $\mathcal{O}_D$ . The ring has a natural  $G$ -action by permutations of variables. The  $\mathcal{O}_D$ -algebra homomorphism

$$\mathcal{O}_D[x_f \mid f \in A] \rightarrow \mathcal{O}_v, \quad x_f \mapsto f$$

defines a desired immersion. Moreover, this construction gives a *closed* immersion into  $V$  on which  $G$  acts by *permutations*. In this case, our weight function  $\mathbf{w}_V$  is closely related to the Artin and Swan conductors [WY15], although we do not use this fact in this paper.

DEFINITION 7.2. For  $E \in G\text{-Cov}(D)$  with a connected component  $F$ , we define the *pre-untwisting variety* of  $v$ , denoted by  $v^{(F)}$ , as the irreducible component of  $r^{-1}(v) \subset V^{(F)}$  which dominates  $v$ . We then define the *untwisting variety*, denoted by  $v^{|F|}$ , as the image of  $v^{(F)}$  in  $V^{|F|}$ . We also define the *normalized pre-untwisting*  $v^{(F),\nu}$  and *untwisting varieties*  $v^{|F|,\nu}$  to be the normalizations of  $v^{(F)}$  and  $v^{|F|}$  respectively.

Let  $x := v/G$ . The following diagram shows natural morphisms of relevant varieties, and the symbols  $t, s$  and  $q$  denote morphisms as indicated:



The one-to-one correspondence obtained in the last section,

$$J_\infty^{G,E} V \leftrightarrow (J_\infty V^{|F|})/C_G(H),$$

induces a one-to-one correspondence

$$J_\infty^{G,E} v \leftrightarrow (J_\infty v^{|F|})/C_G(H).$$

We obtain the following diagram:

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 & & (J_\infty \mathfrak{v}^{|F|,\nu})/C_G(H) \\
 & & \downarrow \\
 J_\infty^{G,E} \mathfrak{v} & \xleftrightarrow{1\text{-to-1}} & (J_\infty \mathfrak{v}^{|F|})/C_G(H) \\
 & \searrow & \swarrow \\
 & J_\infty \mathfrak{x} &
 \end{array}$$

If we put  $J_\infty^E \mathfrak{x}$  to be the image of  $J_\infty^{G,E} \mathfrak{v}$  in  $J_\infty \mathfrak{x}$ , then we can naturally expect that  $J_\infty^E \mathfrak{x}$  coincides with the images of  $J_\infty \mathfrak{v}^{|F|}$  and  $J_\infty \mathfrak{v}^{|F|,\nu}$  modulo measure zero subsets.

From now on, we suppose that  $\mathfrak{v}$  is normal. Let  $\mathfrak{v}$ ,  $\mathfrak{v}^{\langle F \rangle, \nu}$ ,  $\mathfrak{v}^{|F|,\nu}$  and  $\mathfrak{r}$  be centered log structures on  $\mathfrak{v}$ ,  $\mathfrak{v}^{\langle F \rangle, \nu}$  and  $\mathfrak{v}^{|F|,\nu}$  respectively such that the morphisms

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 & \mathfrak{v}^{\langle F \rangle, \nu} & \\
 \swarrow & & \searrow \\
 \mathfrak{v} & & \mathfrak{v}^{|F|,\nu} \\
 \searrow & & \swarrow \\
 & \mathfrak{r} &
 \end{array}$$

are all crepant. The centered log  $D$ -varieties  $\mathfrak{v}$  and  $\mathfrak{v}^{|F|,\nu}$  are  $G$ - and  $C_G(H)$ -equivariant respectively. If we define the  $E$ -part  $M_{\text{st}}^E(\mathfrak{r})$  of  $M_{\text{st}}(\mathfrak{r})$ , we can expect

$$M_{\text{st}}^E(\mathfrak{r}) = M_{\text{st}, C_G(H)}(\mathfrak{v}^{|F|,\nu}),$$

similarly to the linear case. The equality is a slight generalization of Conjecture 2.5 and would follow from the change of variables formula generalized along the line of [DL02], applied to the almost bijection

$$J_\infty \mathfrak{v}^{|F|,\nu} \rightarrow J_\infty^E \mathfrak{r}.$$

It is then natural to expect the following conjecture.

CONJECTURE 7.3. (The McKay correspondence for nonlinear actions)  
 We have

$$M_{\text{st}}(\mathbf{x}) = \int_{G\text{-Cov}(D)} M_{\text{st},C_G(H)}(\mathbf{v}^{|F|,\nu}) \, d\tau.$$

DEFINITION 7.4. We define the *E-part of the orbifold stringy motif* of  $\mathbf{v}$  as

$$M_{\text{st}}^{G,E}(\mathbf{v}) := M_{\text{st},C_G(H)}(\mathbf{v}^{|F|,\nu}),$$

and the *orbifold stringy motif* of  $\mathbf{v}$  as

$$M_{\text{st}}^G(\mathbf{v}) := \int_{G\text{-Cov}(D)} M_{\text{st}}^{G,E}(\mathbf{v}) \, d\tau.$$

With this definition, the last conjecture simply says

$$M_{\text{st}}(\mathbf{x}) = M_{\text{st}}^G(\mathbf{v}).$$

REMARK 7.5. The reader may wonder why we do not define  $M_{\text{st}}^G(\mathbf{v})$  as a motivic integral on  $J_{\infty}^G \mathbf{v}$ , which appears to be more natural. It is because the author does not know whether one can define a motivic measure on  $J_{\infty}^G \mathbf{v}$ , as he does not know how to compute dimensions of fibers of

$$\pi_n(\text{Hom}_F^H(F, \mathbf{v}^{\langle F \rangle, \nu})) / C_G(H) \rightarrow \pi_n(J_{\infty}^G \mathbf{v}).$$

Knowing it was, in the linear case, a key in formulating the change of variables formula (Conjecture 5.6) and determining the integrand  $\mathbb{L}^{\mathbf{f}_{\mathbf{v}} + \mathbf{w}_{\mathbf{v}}}$  in the definition of  $M_{\text{st}}^G(\mathfrak{Q})$ .

### §8. Computing boundaries of untwisting varieties

To compute examples of the wild McKay correspondence, we need to determine centered log varieties  $\mathbf{v}^{|F|,\nu}$ . It is easy to determine the center. In this section, supposing that  $\mathbf{v}$  and  $\mathbf{v}^{|F|}$  are both normal and complete intersections in  $V$  and  $V^{|F|}$  respectively, we compute the boundary of  $\mathbf{v}^{|F|}$ .

Let

$$t : \mathbf{v}^{\langle F \rangle} \rightarrow \mathbf{v} \quad \text{and} \quad s : \mathbf{v}^{\langle F \rangle} \rightarrow \mathbf{v}^{|F|}$$

be the natural morphisms, although they are different from the morphisms denoted by the same symbols in diagram (7.1) unless  $\mathbf{v}^{\langle F \rangle}$  is also normal. The subvariety  $\mathbf{v}^{\langle F \rangle} \subset V^{\langle F \rangle}$  is a complete intersection. To see this, first note that



if  $s^{-1}(\mathfrak{v}^{|F|})$  denotes the scheme-theoretic preimage, then  $(s^{-1}(\mathfrak{v}^{|F|}))_{\text{red}} = \mathfrak{v}^{\langle F \rangle}$ . The subscheme  $s^{-1}(\mathfrak{v}^{|F|}) \subset V^{\langle F \rangle}$  is a complete intersection, hence Cohen–Macaulay, and generically reduced. From [Eis95, Theorem 18.15],  $s^{-1}(\mathfrak{v}^{|F|})$  is actually reduced and

$$s^{-1}(\mathfrak{v}^{|F|}) = \mathfrak{v}^{\langle F \rangle}.$$

In general, for a complete intersection subvariety  $Y \subset X$ , its *conormal sheaf*  $\mathcal{C}_{Y/X}$  is defined as  $I_Y/I_Y^2$ , with  $I_Y \subset \mathcal{O}_X$  the defining ideal sheaf of  $Y$ . We put

$$\det \mathcal{C}_{Y/X} := \bigwedge^{\text{codim}(Y,X)} \mathcal{C}_{Y/X}.$$

There exists a unique effective  $H$ -stable Cartier divisor  $A_F$  on  $\mathfrak{v}^{\langle F \rangle}$  such that

$$t^*(\det \mathcal{C}_{\mathfrak{v}/V}) = (\det \mathcal{C}_{\mathfrak{v}^{\langle F \rangle}/V^{\langle F \rangle}})(-A_F).$$

PROPOSITION 8.1. *Let  $\delta$  and  $\delta^{|F|}$  be the boundaries of  $\mathfrak{v}$  and  $\mathfrak{v}^{|F|}$  respectively, and  $C := V_0^{|F|}|_{\mathfrak{v}^{|F|}}$ , the restriction of the prime divisor  $V_0^{|F|}$  on  $V^{|F|}$  to  $\mathfrak{v}^{|F|}$ . Then*

$$\delta^{|F|} = \frac{1}{\#H} \cdot s_* (t^* \delta + A_F) - \mathfrak{v}_V(E) \cdot C.$$

*Proof.* Let  $\epsilon^{|F|}$  be the right-hand side of the equality. As in the proof of Lemma 6.5, it suffices to show that the pullbacks of divisors  $K_{\mathfrak{v}} + \delta$  and  $K_{\mathfrak{v}^{|F|}} + \epsilon^{|F|}$  to  $\mathfrak{v}^{\langle F \rangle}$  coincide. Since

$$s^* \left( \frac{1}{\#H} s_* t^* \delta \right) = t^* \delta,$$

we may suppose  $\delta = 0$  and hence

$$\epsilon^{|F|} = \frac{1}{\#H} \cdot s_* A_F - \mathfrak{v}_V(E)C.$$

By abuse of notation, identifying a divisor corresponding to an invertible sheaf, from the adjunction formula, we have

$$\begin{aligned} t^* K_{\mathfrak{v}} &= t^* (K_V|_{\mathfrak{v}} - \det \mathcal{C}_{\mathfrak{v}/V}) \\ &= (u^* K_V)|_{\mathfrak{v}^{\langle F \rangle}} - \det \mathcal{C}_{\mathfrak{v}^{\langle F \rangle}/V^{\langle F \rangle}} + A_F. \end{aligned}$$

On the other hand, since  $s^*(\det \mathcal{C}_{\mathfrak{v}|F|/V|F|}) = \det \mathcal{C}_{\mathfrak{v}\langle F \rangle/V\langle F \rangle}$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} s^*(K_{\mathfrak{v}|F|} + \epsilon^{|F|}) &= s^*(K_{\mathfrak{v}|F|}|_{\mathfrak{v}|F|} - \det \mathcal{C}_{\mathfrak{v}|F|/V|F|}) - \sharp H \cdot \mathbf{v}_V(E)V_0^{\langle F \rangle}|_{\mathfrak{v}\langle F \rangle} + A_F \\ &= (r^*K_{V|F|} - \sharp H \cdot \mathbf{v}_V(E)V_0^{\langle F \rangle})|_{\mathfrak{v}\langle F \rangle} - \det \mathcal{C}_{\mathfrak{v}\langle F \rangle/V\langle F \rangle} + A_F. \end{aligned}$$

From Lemma 6.5,

$$\begin{aligned} r^*K_{V|F|} - \sharp H \cdot \mathbf{v}_V(E)V_0^{\langle F \rangle} &= K_{V\langle F \rangle/D} - d_{F/D}V_0^{\langle F \rangle} - \sharp H \cdot \mathbf{v}_V(E)V_0^{\langle F \rangle} \\ &= u^*K_V, \end{aligned}$$

which shows the proposition. □

It is handy to rewrite the proposition in the case of hypersurfaces as follows.

**COROLLARY 8.2.** *Suppose that  $\mathfrak{v} \subset V$  is a hypersurface defined by a polynomial  $f \in \mathcal{O}_V$ , and write*

$$u_F^*f = \pi_F^b \phi,$$

where  $\pi_F$  is a uniformizer of  $\mathcal{O}_F$ ,  $b$  is an integer  $b \geq 0$ , and  $\phi \in \mathcal{O}_{V\langle F \rangle}$ , with  $\pi_F \nmid \phi$ . Then, with the notation as above, we have

$$\delta^{|F|} = \frac{1}{\sharp H} s_* t^* \delta + \left( \frac{b}{\sharp H} - \mathbf{v}_V(E) \right) \cdot C.$$

*Proof.* The corollary follows from

$$A_F = b \cdot (V_0^{\langle F \rangle}|_{\mathfrak{v}\langle F \rangle}) \quad \text{and} \quad s_* A_F = b \cdot C. \quad \square$$

**REMARK 8.3.** In the corollary above, if  $f$  is  $G$ -invariant, then  $b$  is a multiple of  $\sharp H$  and hence  $b/\sharp H$  is an integer.

### §9. A tame singular example

In this section, we verify Conjecture 7.3 for an example of the tame case where  $\mathfrak{v}$  is not regular.

Suppose that  $k$  has characteristic  $\neq 2$ . Let  $D := \text{Spec } k[[\pi]]$ ,  $V := \text{Spec } k[[\pi]][x, y, z]$  and  $\mathfrak{v} = \text{Spec } k[[\pi]][x, y, z]/(xz - y^2)$ , the trivial family of the  $A_1$ -singularity over  $\text{Spec } k[[\pi]]$ . We suppose that  $G = \mathbb{Z}/2\mathbb{Z} = \{1, g\}$  acts on  $V$  by

$$xg = -x, \quad yg = y, \quad zg = -z.$$

The subvariety  $\mathfrak{v}$  is stable under the  $G$ -action, and the quotient variety  $\mathfrak{x} = \mathfrak{v}/G$  can be embedded into  $\mathbb{A}_{k[[\pi]]}^3 = \text{Spec } k[[\pi]][u, v, w]$  and gives the hypersurface defined by the equation  $uv - w^4 = 0$ . Thus,  $\mathfrak{x}$  is the trivial family of the  $A_3$ -singularity over  $\text{Spec } k[[\pi]]$ .

Since the morphism  $\mathfrak{v} \rightarrow \mathfrak{x}$  is étale in codimension one, it is crepant (with the identification (2.1)). Let  $\tilde{\mathfrak{x}}_0 \rightarrow \mathfrak{x}_0$  be the minimal resolution, and let  $\tilde{\mathfrak{x}} := \mathfrak{x} \otimes_k k[[\pi]]$ . The natural morphism  $\tilde{\mathfrak{x}} \rightarrow \mathfrak{x}$  is crepant. From Proposition 2.7,

$$M_{\text{st}}(\mathfrak{x}) = M_{\text{st}}(\tilde{\mathfrak{x}}) = [\tilde{\mathfrak{x}}_0] = \mathbb{L}^2 + 3\mathbb{L}.$$

Next, we will compute  $M_{\text{st}}^G(\mathfrak{v})$  and verify that it coincides with  $M_{\text{st}}(\mathfrak{x})$ . There are exactly two  $G$ -covers of  $D$  up to isomorphism: the trivial one  $E_1 = D \sqcup D \rightarrow D$  and the nontrivial one

$$E_2 = \text{Spec } k[[\pi^{1/2}]] \rightarrow D = \text{Spec } k[[\pi]],$$

and hence

$$M_{\text{st}}^G(\mathfrak{v}) = M_{\text{st}}^{G,E_1}(\mathfrak{v}) + M_{\text{st}}^{G,E_2}(\mathfrak{v}).$$

As for the first term  $M_{\text{st}}^{G,E_1}(\mathfrak{v})$ , we have  $\mathfrak{v}^{|D|} = \mathfrak{v}$ . Consider the minimal resolution  $\tilde{\mathfrak{v}}_0 \rightarrow \mathfrak{v}_0$  and put  $\tilde{\mathfrak{v}} := \tilde{\mathfrak{v}}_0 \otimes_k k[[\pi]]$ . Then the morphism  $\tilde{\mathfrak{v}} \rightarrow \mathfrak{v}$  is crepant. Since the  $G$ -action on the exceptional locus is trivial, from Proposition 2.9,

$$M_{\text{st}}^{G,E_1}(\mathfrak{v}) = M_{\text{st},G}(\tilde{\mathfrak{v}}) = \mathbb{L}^2 + \mathbb{L}.$$

Next, we compute  $M_{\text{st}}^{G,E_2}(\mathfrak{v})$ . For  $F = E_2$ , the tuning module  $\Xi_F$  has a basis

$$(9.1) \quad \pi^{1/2}x^*, y^*, \pi^{1/2}z^*,$$

with  $x^*, y^*, z^*$  the dual basis of  $x, y, z$ . If we denote the dual basis of (9.1) by  $x, y, z$ , then we can write  $u^*$  as

$$\begin{aligned} u^* : k[[\pi]][x, y, z] &\rightarrow k[[\pi^{1/2}]][x, y, z] \\ x &\mapsto \pi^{1/2}x \\ y &\mapsto y \\ z &\mapsto \pi^{1/2}z. \end{aligned}$$

We see that  $\mathfrak{v}^{|F|}$  is given by

$$\pi xz - y^2 = 0.$$

Since the nonregular locus of  $\mathfrak{v}^{|F|}$  has dimension one, the variety  $\mathfrak{v}^{|F|}$  is normal. From Corollary 8.2, the boundary  $\delta^{|F|}$  of  $\mathfrak{v}^{|F|}$  is given by

$$\delta^{|F|} = -V_0^{|F|}|_{\mathfrak{v}^{|F|}}.$$

Hence,

$$M_{\text{st}}^{G,E_2}(\mathfrak{v}) = M_{\text{st},G}(\mathfrak{v}^{|F|}) = M_{\text{st},G}(\mathfrak{v}^{|F|})\mathbb{L}^{-1}.$$

The  $G$ -action on  $\mathfrak{v}^{|F|}$  is given by

$$xg = -x, \quad yg = y, \quad zg = -z.$$

The nonregular locus of  $\mathfrak{v}^{|F|}$  consists of three irreducible components

$$C_1 = \{x = y = z = 0\}, \quad C_2 = \{x = y = \pi = 0\}, \\ C_3 = \{y = z = \pi = 0\}.$$

Let  $\mathfrak{v}_1 \rightarrow \mathfrak{v}^{|F|}$  be the blowup along  $C_1$ . Then the nonregular locus of  $\mathfrak{v}_1$  is exactly the union of the strict transforms  $C'_2$  and  $C'_3$  of  $C_2$  and  $C_3$ . Moreover, the singularities of  $\mathfrak{v}_1$  are two trivial families of the  $A_1$ -singularity over  $\mathbb{A}_k^1$ . Let  $\mathfrak{v}_2 \rightarrow \mathfrak{v}_1$  be the blowup along  $C'_2$  and  $C'_3$ . Then  $\mathfrak{v}_2$  is regular. If  $A_2$  and  $A_3$  are the exceptional prime divisors over  $C'_2$  and  $C'_3$  respectively, then the smooth locus of  $\mathfrak{v}_2 \rightarrow D$  in the special fiber is the disjoint union of open subsets  $A'_2 \subset E_2$  and  $A'_3 \subset E_3$  with  $A'_2 \cong A'_3 \cong \mathbb{A}_k^2$ . Since the morphism  $\mathfrak{v}_2 \rightarrow \mathfrak{v}^{|F|}$  is crepant and the  $G$ -action on its exceptional locus is trivial,

$$M_{\text{st},G}(\mathfrak{v}^{|F|}) = M_{\text{st},G}(\mathfrak{v}_2) = [A'_2 \sqcup A'_3] = 2\mathbb{L}^2$$

and

$$M_{\text{st}}^G(\mathfrak{v}) = M_{\text{st}}^{G,E_1}(\mathfrak{v}) + M_{\text{st}}^{G,E_2}(\mathfrak{v}) = \mathbb{L}^2 + 3\mathbb{L},$$

as desired.

### §10. A wild nonlinear example

In this section, we verify Conjecture 7.3 for an example of wild nonlinear actions.

Suppose that  $k$  has characteristic two. Let  $V := \text{Spec } k[[\pi]][x, y]$ , on which the group  $G = \{1, g\} \cong \mathbb{Z}/2\mathbb{Z}$  acts by the transposition of  $x$  and  $y$ , and  $\mathfrak{v} := \text{Spec } k[[\pi]][x, y]/(x + y + xy)$ . The completion of  $\mathfrak{v}$  at the origin  $o \in \mathfrak{v}_0 \subset V_0$  gives

$$\text{Spec } k[[\pi, x]],$$

with the  $G$ -action by

$$xg = \frac{x}{1+x} = x + x^2 + x^3 + \dots$$

The invariant subring of  $k[[\pi, x]]$  is

$$k[[\pi, x]]^g = k \left[ \left[ \pi, \frac{x^2}{1+x} \right] \right].$$

Since

$$k[[x]] = \frac{k\left[\left[\frac{x^2}{1+x}\right][X]\right]}{\langle F(X) \rangle}, \quad F(X) := X^2 + \frac{x^2}{1+x}X + \frac{x^2}{1+x},$$

the different of  $k[[x]]/k\left[\left[\frac{x^2}{1+x}\right]\right]$  is

$$\langle F'(x) \rangle = \langle x^2 \rangle$$

(see [Ser79, page 56, Corollary 2]). Let  $Z \subset V$  be the zero section of  $V \rightarrow D$ , defined by the ideal  $\langle x, y \rangle \subset k[[\pi]][x, y]$ . We regard  $Z$  as a prime divisor on  $v$ . Note that  $2Z$  is defined by  $x + y = 0$ .

If we put  $\mathfrak{v} = (v, \delta = -2Z, o)$  and  $\mathfrak{r} = (x, 0, \bar{o})$ , with  $\bar{o}$  the image of  $o$ , then the quotient morphism  $q : \mathfrak{v} \rightarrow \mathfrak{r}$  is crepant. We obviously have

$$M_{\text{st}}(\mathfrak{r}) = 1.$$

Next, we will verify that  $M_{\text{st}}^G(\mathfrak{v}) = 1$ . For the trivial  $G$ -cover  $E_1 = D \sqcup D \rightarrow D$ , since  $v^{|D|} = v$ , from Proposition 2.9, we have

$$M_{\text{st}}^{G, E_1}(\mathfrak{v}) = \frac{\mathbb{L} - 1}{\mathbb{L}^3 - 1} = \frac{1}{\mathbb{L}^2 + \mathbb{L} + 1}.$$

Let  $E = F = \text{Spec } k[[\rho]]$  be any nontrivial  $G$ -cover of  $D = \text{Spec } k[[\pi]]$ . The associated tuning module  $\Xi_F$  is generated by two elements  $\alpha_1$  and  $\alpha_2$  given by

$$\alpha_1 : x \mapsto 1, y \mapsto 1$$

and

$$\alpha_2 : x \mapsto \rho, y \mapsto \rho g.$$

Let  $x$  and  $y$  be the dual basis of  $\alpha_1$  and  $\alpha_2$ . Then  $u^*$  is given by

$$\begin{aligned}
 k[[\pi]][x, y] &\rightarrow k[[\rho]][x, y] \\
 x &\mapsto x + \rho y \\
 y &\mapsto x + (\rho g)y.
 \end{aligned}$$

Therefore,  $v^{\langle F \rangle}$  and  $v^{|F|}$  are defined by

$$\begin{aligned}
 &(x + \rho y)(x + (\rho g)y) + (x + \rho y) + (x + (\rho g)y) \\
 &= x^2 + \text{Nr}(\rho)y^2 + \text{Tr}(\rho)y(1 + x) \\
 &= 0.
 \end{aligned}$$

The  $G$ -action on  $k[[\rho]][x, y]$  is given by

$$(10.1) \quad xg = x, \quad yg = \frac{\rho g}{\rho}y.$$

The pullback of  $2Z$  to  $v^{\langle F \rangle}$  is defined by  $\text{Tr}(\rho)y$ . Let  $S := v_0^{|F|}$ , regarded as a prime divisor on  $v^{|F|}$ , and let  $B$  be the prime divisor on  $v^{|F|}$  such that  $2B$  is defined by  $y = 0$ . From Corollary 8.2, the boundary  $\delta^{|F|}$  of  $v^{|F|}$  is

$$-4nS - 2B,$$

with  $n \in \mathbb{Z}_{>0}$  given by  $\langle \text{Tr}(\rho) \rangle = \langle \pi^n \rangle$ . The center of  $v^{|F|}$  is  $v_0^{|F|}$ . Hence,

$$M_{\text{st},G}(v^{|F|}) = M_{\text{st},G}(v^{|F|}, -2B)\mathbb{L}^{-2n}.$$

Let us now consider the case  $n = 1$ . The variety  $v^{|F|}$  has two  $A_1$ -singularities at

$$(x, y, \pi) = (0, 0, 0), (0, 1, 0).$$

Blowing them up, we get a crepant morphism  $\tilde{v}^{|F|} \rightarrow v^{|F|}$ . Let  $N_0$  and  $N_1$  be the exceptional prime divisors over  $(0, 0, 0)$  and  $(0, 1, 0)$  respectively. The  $G$ -action on  $N_0$  is trivial, and the one on  $N_1$  is linear. Let  $\tilde{B} \subset \tilde{v}^{|F|}$  be the strict transform of  $B$ . The morphism  $(\tilde{v}^{|F|}, -2\tilde{B} - N_0) \rightarrow (v^{|F|}, -2B)$  is crepant. Since  $\tilde{v}^{|F|}$  is regular, the smooth locus of  $\tilde{v}^{|F|} \rightarrow D$  in the special fiber is

$$N_0 \setminus \{1 \text{ point}\} \sqcup N_1 \setminus \{1 \text{ point}\},$$

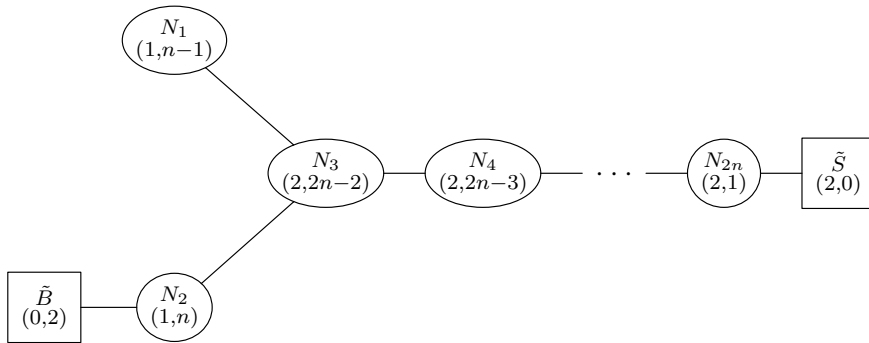
where the removed point of  $N_0$  is different from the intersection  $N_0 \cap \tilde{B}$ . Therefore,

$$\begin{aligned}
 M_{\text{st},G}(\mathbf{v}^{|F|}, -2B) &= M_{\text{st},G}(\tilde{\mathbf{v}}^{|F|}, -2\tilde{B} - N_0) \\
 &= \mathbb{L} + \left( (\mathbb{L} - 1) + \frac{\mathbb{L} - 1}{\mathbb{L}^3 - 1} \right) \mathbb{L}^{-1} \\
 &= \frac{\mathbb{L}(\mathbb{L} + 1)^2}{\mathbb{L}^2 + \mathbb{L} + 1}.
 \end{aligned}$$

Next, consider the case  $n \geq 2$ . Then  $\mathbf{v}^{|F|}$  is nonregular only at the origin  $o = (0, 0, 0)$ . The completion of  $\mathbf{v}^{|F|}$  at the origin is

$$\text{Spec } \frac{k[[\pi, x, y]]}{\langle x^2 + \pi y^2 + \pi^n y \rangle}$$

after a suitable change of coordinates, which is the  $D_{2n}^0$ -singularity in Artin's classification [Art77]. Let  $f : \tilde{\mathbf{v}}^{|F|} \rightarrow \mathbf{v}^{|F|}$  be the minimal resolution. The exceptional prime divisors  $N_1, \dots, N_{2n}$ , the strict transform  $\tilde{B}$  of  $B$  and the one  $\tilde{S}$  of  $S$  are arranged as indicated in the following dual graph:



Here, the pairs of numbers, say  $(a, b)$ , mean that  $a$  is the multiplicity of the relevant prime divisor in  $f^*(2S)$ , and  $b$  is the one in  $f^*(2B)$ . If we put

$$\tilde{\delta}^{|F|} := -2\tilde{B} - (n - 1)N_1 - nN_2 - \sum_{i=2}^{2n-1} (2n - i)N_{i+1},$$

then the morphism

$$(\tilde{\mathbf{v}}^{|F|}, \tilde{\delta}^{|F|}) \rightarrow (\mathbf{v}^{|F|}, -2B)$$

is crepant. Since  $N_1$  and  $N_2$  are the only prime divisors having multiplicity one in  $f^*(2S)$ , the smooth locus of the morphism  $\tilde{\mathbf{v}}^{|F|} \rightarrow D$  in the special

fiber is

$$(N_1 \sqcup N_2) \setminus N_3.$$

Since the  $G$ -action on the exceptional locus of  $f$  is trivial, we have

$$\begin{aligned} M_{\text{st},G}(\tilde{\nu}^{|F|}, \tilde{\delta}^{|F|}) &= \mathbb{L} \cdot \mathbb{L}^{-n+1} + \left( (\mathbb{L} - 1) + \frac{\mathbb{L} - 1}{\mathbb{L}^3 - 1} \right) \mathbb{L}^{-n} \\ &= \frac{(\mathbb{L} + 1)^2 \mathbb{L}^{2-n}}{\mathbb{L}^2 + \mathbb{L} + 1}. \end{aligned}$$

In summary, for  $n > 0$ , we have

$$M_{\text{st}}^{G,E}(\mathfrak{v}) = \frac{(\mathbb{L} + 1)^2 \mathbb{L}^{2-3n}}{\mathbb{L}^2 + \mathbb{L} + 1}.$$

Since the locus of  $E \in G\text{-Cov}(D)$  with  $\text{ord}_\pi \text{Tr}(\rho) = n$  is homeomorphic to  $\mathbb{G}_{m,k} \times \mathbb{A}_k^{n-1}$  (see [Yas14]),

$$\begin{aligned} M_{\text{st}}^G(\mathfrak{v}) &= M_{\text{st}}^{G,E_1}(\mathfrak{v}) + \int_{G\text{-Cov}(D) \setminus \{E_1\}} M_{\text{st}}^{G,E}(\mathfrak{v}) \, d\tau \\ &= \frac{1}{\mathbb{L}^2 + \mathbb{L} + 1} + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(\mathbb{L} + 1)^2 \mathbb{L}^{2-3n}}{\mathbb{L}^2 + \mathbb{L} + 1} \times (\mathbb{L} - 1) \mathbb{L}^{n-1} \\ &= 1. \end{aligned}$$

### §11. Stable hyperplanes in permutation representations

When  $G$  acts on  $V$  by permutations of coordinates, then the functions  $\mathfrak{v}_V$  and  $\mathfrak{w}_V$  can be computed by using Artin or Swan conductors, or discriminants or differents [WY15]. In this section, we generalize to the case of a hyperplane in a permutation representation defined by an invariant linear form.

Suppose that  $G$  acts on

$$V = \mathbb{A}_D^d = \text{Spec } \mathcal{O}_D[x_1, \dots, x_d]$$

by permutations of coordinates, and

$$\mathbb{A}_D^{d-1} \cong \mathfrak{v} = \text{Spec } \mathcal{O}_V / \langle f \rangle \subset V$$

is a hyperplane defined by a  $G$ -invariant linear form

$$f = \sum_{i=1}^d f_i x_i \in M^G \quad \left( M := \bigoplus_{i=1}^d \mathcal{O}_D x_i \right).$$



The assumption that  $\mathbb{A}_D^{d-1} \cong \mathfrak{v}$  means that at least one coefficient  $f_i$  is a unit in  $\mathcal{O}_D$ .

Fix  $E \in G\text{-Cov}(D)$  and a connected component  $F$  of  $E$  with stabilizer  $H$ . Let

$$\{x_1, x_2, \dots, x_d\} = O_1 \sqcup O_2 \sqcup \dots \sqcup O_l$$

be the decomposition into the  $H$ -orbits. Reordering  $x_1, \dots, x_d$  if necessary, we suppose that

$$O_j = x_j H, \quad 1 \leq j \leq l.$$

The assumption  $f \in M^G$  now means that if  $i \in O_j$ , and if  $h_i \in H$  is any element sending  $x_j$  to  $x_i$ , then

$$f_i = f_j h_i.$$

For  $1 \leq j \leq l$ , we put  $H_j \subset H$  to be the stabilizer of  $j$ , which has order  $\#H/\#O_j$ , and put  $C := \text{Spec } (\mathcal{O}_F)^{H_j}$ , which is a cover of  $D$  of degree  $\#O_j$ . Accordingly,

$$C := \bigsqcup_{j=1}^l C_j \rightarrow D$$

is a cover of degree  $d$ . Here, we say that a morphism  $C \rightarrow D$  is a cover if  $C$  is the normalization of  $D$  in some finite étale (not necessarily Galois)  $K(D)$ -algebra. We obtain  $C$  from  $E$  also in the following way. If  $G_D$  is the absolute Galois group of  $K(D)$ , then the  $G$ -cover  $E$  corresponds to a continuous homomorphism  $\rho : G_D \rightarrow G$  (up to conjugation). Since  $G$  acts on  $\{1, \dots, d\}$  by conjugation, we get a continuous action of  $G_D$  on  $\{1, \dots, d\}$ , giving a finite étale cover  $C^\circ \rightarrow \text{Spec } K(D)$ . Taking the normalization of  $D$  in  $C^\circ$ , we get  $C$  (up to isomorphism).

For a cover  $C \rightarrow D$ , we denote by  $d_{C/D}$  its *discriminant exponent*: the discriminant of the extension  $K(C)/K(D)$  is  $\mathfrak{m}_D^{d_{C/D}}$ . If  $C$  is connected, then  $d_{C/D}$  is the same as the different exponent appearing in Lemma 6.5. (Note that since  $C$  and  $D$  have the same algebraically closed residue field, the ramification index of a cover  $C \rightarrow D$  is equal to its degree.)

LEMMA 11.1. *We have*

$$\mathfrak{v}_V(E) = \frac{d_{C/D}}{2} = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{j=1}^l d_{C_j/D}.$$

*Proof.* This follows from [Ked07, Lemma 3.4] and [WY15, Theorem 4.7]. □

We have an isomorphism

$$\alpha : \Xi_F = \text{Hom}_{\mathcal{O}_D}^H(M, \mathcal{O}_F) \rightarrow \bigoplus_{j=1}^l \mathcal{O}_{C_j}$$

$$\phi \mapsto (\phi(x_1), \dots, \phi(x_l)).$$

For each  $e \geq 0$ , we choose an element  $\rho_{j,e} \in \mathcal{O}_{C_j}$ , with  $v_{C_j}(\rho_{j,e}) = e$ , where  $v_{C_j}$  is the normalized valuation of  $K(C_j)$ . The elements

$$\rho_{j,e} \quad (0 \leq e < \#O_j = [C_j : D])$$

form a basis of  $\mathcal{O}_{C_j}$  as an  $\mathcal{O}_D$ -module, and

$$\sigma_{j,e} := (0, \dots, 0, \overset{j}{\rho_{j,e}}, 0, \dots, 0) \quad (1 \leq j \leq l, 0 \leq e < \#O_j)$$

form a basis of  $\bigoplus_{j=1}^l \mathcal{O}_{C_j}$ . Let  $\psi_{j,e} \in M^{(F)}$ ,  $1 \leq j \leq l, 0 \leq e < \#O_j$ , be the dual basis of  $\sigma_{j,e}$  through the isomorphism  $\alpha$ . The map  $u_F^* : M \rightarrow M^{(F)}$  sends  $x_i$  with  $i \in O_j$  to

$$\sum_{e=0}^{\#O_j-1} (\rho_{j,e} \cdot h_i) \psi_{j,e},$$

where  $h_i$  is any element of  $H$  sending  $x_j$  to  $x_i$  as above, and  $f$  to

$$u_F^*(f) = \sum_{j=1}^l \sum_{e=0}^{\#O_j-1} \left( \sum_{i \in O_j} f_i(\rho_{j,e} h_i) \right) \psi_{j,e}$$

$$= \sum_{\substack{1 \leq j \leq l \\ 0 \leq e < \#O_j}} \text{Tr}_{C_j/D}(f_j \rho_{j,e}) \psi_{j,e}.$$

Here,  $\text{Tr}_{C_j/D}$  is the trace map  $K(C_j) \rightarrow K(D)$ .

LEMMA 11.2. *Let  $B \rightarrow D$  be a connected cover of degree  $n$ . For  $e \in \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0}$ , we have*

$$\text{Tr}_{B/D}(\mathfrak{m}_B^e) = \mathfrak{m}_D^{\lfloor \frac{e+d_{B/D}}{n} \rfloor}.$$

Here,  $\lfloor r \rfloor$  is the largest integer  $\leq r$ . In particular, there exists a generator  $\rho_e$  of  $\mathfrak{m}_B^e$  such that

$$v_D(\text{Tr}_{B/D}(\rho_e)) = \left\lfloor \frac{e + d_{B/D}}{n} \right\rfloor,$$

where  $v_D$  is the normalized valuation of  $K(D)$ .

*Proof.* From [Ser79, Proposition 7, page 50], for  $a \in \mathbb{Z}$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Tr}_{B/D}(\mathfrak{m}_B^e) \subset \mathfrak{m}_D^a &\Leftrightarrow \mathfrak{m}_B^e \subset \mathfrak{m}_B^{an-d_{B/D}} \\ &\Leftrightarrow a \leq \frac{e + d_{B/D}}{n}. \end{aligned}$$

This shows the first assertion. To show the second assertion, suppose, on the contrary, that there does not exist such a generator of  $\mathfrak{m}_B^e$ . From the first assertion, there exists an element  $\tau \in \mathfrak{m}_B^{e+1}$  with

$$v_D(\text{Tr}_{B/D}(\tau)) = \left\lfloor \frac{e + d_{B/D}}{n} \right\rfloor.$$

For any generator  $\rho$  of  $\mathfrak{m}_B^e$ ,  $\rho + \tau$  is a generator with the desired property, a contradiction. □

**PROPOSITION 11.3.** *Let us write  $u_F^*(f) = \pi_F^b \phi$ , with  $\phi$  irreducible (a linear form over  $\mathcal{O}_D$  with at least one coefficient a unit). Namely,  $b$  is the order of  $u_F^*(f)$  along  $V_0^{(F)}$ . Then*

$$b = \#H \cdot \min \left\{ v_D(f_j) + \left\lfloor \frac{d_{C_j/D}}{[C_j : D]} \right\rfloor \mid 1 \leq j \leq l \right\}.$$

Here, we put  $v_D(0) := +\infty$  by convention.

*Proof.* From the lemma above, for a suitable choice of  $\rho_{j,e}$ , we have

$$v_D(\text{Tr}_{C_j/D}(f_j \rho_{j,e})) = \left\lfloor \frac{v_{C_j}(f_j) + e + d_{C_j/D}}{[C_j : D]} \right\rfloor.$$

Then

$$\begin{aligned} b &= \min \{ v_F(\text{Tr}_{C_j/D}(f_j \rho_{j,e})) \mid 1 \leq j \leq l, 0 \leq e < \#O_j \} \\ &= \#H \cdot \min \left\{ \left\lfloor \frac{v_{C_j}(f_j) + e + d_{C_j/D}}{[C_j : D]} \right\rfloor \mid 1 \leq j \leq l, 0 \leq e < \#O_j \right\} \\ &= \#H \cdot \min \left\{ v_D(f_j) + \left\lfloor \frac{d_{C_j/D}}{[C_j : D]} \right\rfloor \mid 1 \leq j \leq l \right\}, \end{aligned}$$

which shows the proposition. □

COROLLARY 11.4. For  $E \in G\text{-Cov}(D)$ , we have

$$\mathbf{v}_v(E) = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{j=1}^l d_{C_j/D} - \min \left\{ v_D(f_j) + \left\lfloor \frac{d_{C_j/D}}{[C_j : D]} \right\rfloor \mid 1 \leq j \leq l \right\}.$$

In particular, if  $f = x_1 + x_2 + \dots + x_d$ , then

$$\mathbf{v}_v(E) = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{j=1}^l d_{C_j/D} - \min \left\{ \left\lfloor \frac{d_{C_j/D}}{[C_j : D]} \right\rfloor \mid 1 \leq j \leq l \right\}.$$

*Proof.* In our situation, the symbol  $\mathbf{v}^{|F|}$  has, a priori, two meanings: one is obtained by applying the untwisting technique directly to  $\mathbf{v}$  and the other by first applying it to  $V$  and taking the induced subvariety in  $V^{|F|}$ . However, the two constructions actually coincide. Indeed, if  $\mathfrak{m}$  is the linear part of  $\mathcal{O}_v$ , then we have a surjection  $M \twoheadrightarrow \mathfrak{m}$ . It induces a surjection  $M^{|F|} \twoheadrightarrow \mathfrak{m}^{|F|}$  and a closed immersion  $\mathbb{A}_D^{d-1} \hookrightarrow \mathbb{A}_D^d$ . This shows the claim. Therefore, there is no confusion in the use of the symbol as well as  $\mathbf{v}^{|F|}$ .

The boundary of  $\mathbf{v}^{|F|}$  is  $-\mathbf{v}_v(E) \cdot \mathbf{v}_0^{|F|}$  from Lemma 6.5, while

$$\left( \min \left\{ v_D(f_j) + \left\lfloor \frac{d_{C_j/D}}{[C_j : D]} \right\rfloor \mid 1 \leq j \leq l \right\} - \mathbf{v}_V(E) \right) \cdot \mathbf{v}_0^{|F|}$$

from Propositions 8.1 and 11.3. Comparing the coefficients shows the corollary. □

REMARK 11.5.

- (1) Let  $p$  denote the characteristic of  $k$ . If  $p \nmid [C_j : D]$ , then  $d_{C_j/D} = [C_j : D] - 1$  and  $\left\lfloor \frac{d_{C_j/D}}{[C_j : D]} \right\rfloor = 0$ . Therefore, if  $p \nmid d$  and if  $f = x_1 + \dots + x_d$ , then since at least one  $C_j$  satisfies  $p \nmid [C_j : D]$ , we have  $\mathbf{v}_v = \mathbf{v}_V$ . This equality is also explained as follows. We have the exact sequence

$$0 \rightarrow \mathbf{v} \rightarrow V \xrightarrow{(x_1, \dots, x_d) \mapsto \sum x_i} \mathbb{A}_D^1 \rightarrow 0,$$

whether we have  $p \mid d$  or not. If  $p \nmid d$ , this sequence splits. The equality follows from the additivity of  $\mathbf{v}_\bullet$  (see [WY15]).

- (2) If, for some  $j$ ,  $f_j$  is a unit and  $\#O_j = 1$  (hence  $C_j = D$  and  $d_{C_j/D} = 0$ ), then the corollary above deduces that  $\mathbf{v}_v = \mathbf{v}_V$ . Again,  $V$  is isomorphic to the direct sum of  $\mathbf{v}$  and a one-dimensional trivial representation, this time as an  $H$ -representation.

EXAMPLE 11.6. Let  $p$  be a prime number, and let  $G = \langle g \rangle \cong \mathbb{Z}/p\mathbb{Z}$ . Suppose that  $\mathcal{O}_D = k[[\pi]]$ , with  $k$  of characteristic  $p$ , and that  $G$  acts on  $V = \text{Spec } k[[\pi]][x_1, \dots, x_p]$  by

$$g(x_i) = \begin{cases} x_{i+1} & (1 \leq i < p), \\ x_1 & (i = p), \end{cases}$$

and that  $v \subset V$  is the hyperplane defined by  $f = x_1 + \dots + x_p$ . Let  $E \in G\text{-Cov}(D)$  be a connected  $G$ -cover. The ramification jump  $j \in \mathbb{Z}_{>0}$  of  $E$  is given by

$$j := v_D(\pi_E g - \pi_E) - 1,$$

which is not divisible by  $p$ . From [Ser79, page 83, Lemma 3],

$$d_{E/D} = (p - 1)(j + 1).$$

Accordingly,

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{v}_v(E) &= \frac{d_{E/D}}{2} - \left\lfloor \frac{d_{E/D}}{p} \right\rfloor \\ &= \frac{(p - 1)(j + 1)}{2} - \left\lfloor \frac{(p - 1)(j + 1)}{p} \right\rfloor \\ &= \left( \frac{(p - 1)(j - 1)}{2} + (p - 1) \right) - \left( 1 + \left\lfloor \frac{(p - 1)j}{p} \right\rfloor \right) \\ &= (p - 2) + \left( \frac{(p - 1)(j - 1)}{2} - \left\lfloor \frac{(p - 1)j}{p} \right\rfloor \right) \\ &= (p - 2) + \sum_{i=1}^{p-2} \left\lfloor \frac{ij}{p} \right\rfloor. \end{aligned}$$

The last equality follows from

$$\frac{(p - 1)(j - 1)}{2} = \sum_{i=1}^{p-1} \left\lfloor \frac{ij}{p} \right\rfloor$$

(for instance, see [GKP89, page 94]). Since  $\text{codim}(v_0^G, v) = p - 2$ ,

$$\mathbf{w}_v(E) = (p - 2) - \mathbf{v}_v(E) = - \sum_{i=1}^{p-2} \left\lfloor \frac{ij}{p} \right\rfloor,$$

which coincides with computation in [Yas14] (see also [Yasa]).

**§12. Some  $S_4$ -masses in characteristic two**

In this section, we consider the case where  $\mathcal{O}_D$  has characteristic two,  $G$  is the symmetric group  $S_4$ ,  $V := \text{Spec } \mathcal{O}_D[x_1, x_2, x_3, x_4]$ , with the standard  $G$ -action, and  $\mathfrak{v} \subset V$  is the hyperplane defined by  $f = x_1 + x_2 + x_3 + x_4$ . The induced  $G$ -action on  $\mathfrak{v}$  is still faithful, since  $\mathfrak{v}$  contains a point whose coordinates are distinct one another, for instance,  $(0, 1, a, a + 1)$  with  $a \in k \setminus \{0, 1\}$ . As an application of the computation of  $\mathfrak{v}_\mathfrak{v}$  in the last section, we compute motivic integrals

$$\mathbb{M} = \int_{G\text{-Cov}(D)} \mathbb{L}^{-3\mathfrak{v}_\mathfrak{v}} d\tau \quad \text{and} \quad \mathbb{M}' := \int_{G\text{-Cov}(D)} \mathbb{L}^{3\mathfrak{w}_\mathfrak{v}} d\tau$$

under some assumptions, and observe that  $\mathbb{M}$  and  $\mathbb{M}'$  are dual to each other. Such a duality was first observed in [WY15] and is discussed in more detail in [WY]. It is also related to the Poincaré duality of stringy motifs. The number 3 in the integrals is chosen because for  $n = 1, 2$ , the integrals  $\int_{G\text{-Cov}(D)} \mathbb{L}^{-n\mathfrak{v}_\mathfrak{v}} d\tau$  and  $\int_{G\text{-Cov}(D)} \mathbb{L}^{n\mathfrak{w}_\mathfrak{v}} d\tau$  diverge.

To compute  $\mathbb{M}$  and  $\mathbb{M}'$ , we decompose them into the sums of 5 terms respectively. For  $n \geq 0$ , let  $\text{Fie}_n$  and  $\text{Eta}_n$  be the (conjectural) moduli spaces of degree  $n$  field extensions and étale extensions of  $K(D)$  respectively. Since  $G = S_4$ , giving a continuous homomorphism  $\text{Gal}(K(D)^{\text{sep}}/K(D)) \rightarrow G$  is equivalent to giving a continuous  $\text{Gal}(K(D)^{\text{sep}}/K(D))$ -action on  $\{1, \dots, n\}$ . Therefore, the map

$$\begin{aligned} G\text{-Cov}(D) &\rightarrow \text{Eta}_4 \\ E &\mapsto \mathcal{O}_D \otimes_{\mathcal{O}_D} K(D) \end{aligned}$$

is bijective. Since there are exactly 5 partitions of 4,

$$(4), (3, 1), (2^2), (2, 1^2), (1^4),$$

and  $\text{Fie}_1$  is a singleton, we have the following decomposition of  $\text{Eta}_4$ :

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Eta}_4 &\cong \text{Fie}_4 \sqcup (\text{Fie}_3 \times \text{Fie}_1) \sqcup \frac{(\text{Fie}_2)^2}{\iota} \sqcup (\text{Fie}_2 \times (\text{Fie}_1)^2) \sqcup (\text{Fie}_1)^4 \\ &\cong \text{Fie}_4 \sqcup \text{Fie}_3 \sqcup \frac{(\text{Fie}_2)^2}{\iota} \sqcup \text{Fie}_2 \sqcup \{1\text{pt}\}. \end{aligned}$$

Here,  $\iota$  is the involution of  $(\text{Fie}_2)^2$  given by the transposition of components. We have the corresponding stratification

$$G\text{-Cov}(D) = \bigsqcup_{\mathfrak{p}} G\text{-Cov}(D)_{\mathfrak{p}},$$

where  $\mathbf{p}$  runs over the partitions of 4 and the corresponding decompositions of  $\mathbb{M}$  and  $\mathbb{M}'$ ,

$$\mathbb{M} = \sum_{\mathbf{p}} \mathbb{M}_{\mathbf{p}} \quad \text{and} \quad \mathbb{M}' = \sum_{\mathbf{p}} \mathbb{M}'_{\mathbf{p}}.$$

To further computations, we need to assume the following conjecture.

CONJECTURE 12.1. (The motivic version of Krasner’s formula)

Suppose that  $k$  has characteristic  $p > 0$ . Let  $m \geq 2$  be an integer, and let  $\text{Fie}_{m,d} \subset \text{Fie}_m$  be the locus of degree  $m$  field extensions of  $k((\pi))$  with discriminant exponent  $d$ . Then we have the equality in  $\mathcal{R}$ ,

$$[\text{Fie}_{m,d}] = \begin{cases} 1 & (p \nmid m, d = m - 1), \\ 0 & (p \nmid m, d \neq m - 1), \\ (\mathbb{L} - 1)\mathbb{L}^{\lfloor (d-m+1)/p \rfloor} & (p \mid m, p \nmid (d - m + 1)), \\ 0 & (p \mid m, p \mid (d - m + 1)). \end{cases}$$

Krasner [Kra66] showed that if  $q = p^e$  is a power of a prime number  $p$ , then the number of totally ramified degree  $m$  extensions of the power series field  $\mathbb{F}_q((\pi))$  in its algebraic closure  $\overline{\mathbb{F}_q((\pi))}$  is exactly

$$\begin{cases} m & (p \nmid m, d = m - 1), \\ 0 & (p \nmid m, d \neq m - 1), \\ m(q - 1)q^{\lfloor (d-m+1)/p \rfloor} & (p \mid m, p \nmid (d - m + 1)), \\ 0 & (p \mid m, p \mid (d - m + 1)). \end{cases}$$

Counting isomorphism classes (with weights coming from automorphisms) rather than subfields of  $\overline{\mathbb{F}_q((\pi))}$  as done in [Ser78], we can kill the factor  $m$ . The conjecture above seems to be the only reasonable possibility.

In what follows, we exhibit how to compute  $\mathbb{M}_{(2^2)}$  and  $\mathbb{M}'_{(2^2)}$ . Computation of the other terms is similar and easier. We go back to the assumption that  $k$  has characteristic two. If  $d = 2n + m$ , then the conjecture reads

$$[\text{Fie}_{m,d}] = (\mathbb{L} - 1)\mathbb{L}^n.$$

Let  $E \in G\text{-Cov}(D)_{2,2}$ , and let  $C = C_1 \sqcup C_2$  be the associated quartic cover of  $D$ , where  $C_1$  and  $C_2$  are double covers of  $D$  with  $d_{C_1/D} \leq d_{C_2/D}$ . Then

$$\mathbf{v}_v(E) = \frac{d_{C_1/D} + d_{C_2/D}}{2} - \left\lfloor \frac{d_{C_1/D}}{2} \right\rfloor.$$

If we write  $d_{C_1/D} = 2n + 2$  and  $d_{C_2/D} = 2m + 2$  for some  $m \geq n \geq 0$ ,

$$v_v(E) = m + 1.$$

From the last property of  $\mathcal{R}$  in the list in Section 2.3, we have

$$\left[ \frac{(\mathbb{G}_m)^n}{S_n} \right] = \left[ \frac{\mathbb{A}_k^n}{S_n} \right] - \left[ \frac{\mathbb{A}_k^{n-1}}{S_{n-1}} \right] = \mathbb{L}^n - \mathbb{L}^{n-1}.$$

Accordingly,

$$\left[ \frac{(\text{Fie}_{2,2n+2})^2}{\iota} \right] = (\mathbb{L} - 1)\mathbb{L}^{2n+1}.$$

We have

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbb{M}_{(2^2)} &= \sum_{m=0}^{\infty} \sum_{n=0}^{m-1} (\mathbb{L} - 1)^2 \mathbb{L}^{n+m} \cdot \mathbb{L}^{-3(m+1)} + \sum_{m=0}^{\infty} (\mathbb{L} - 1) \mathbb{L}^{2m+1} \cdot \mathbb{L}^{-3(m+1)} \\ &= (\mathbb{L} - 1)^2 \mathbb{L}^{-3} \sum_{m=0}^{\infty} \mathbb{L}^{-2m} \sum_{n=0}^{m-1} \mathbb{L}^n + (\mathbb{L} - 1) \mathbb{L}^{-2} \sum_{m=0}^{\infty} \mathbb{L}^{-m} \\ &= (\mathbb{L} - 1)^2 \mathbb{L}^{-3} \sum_{m=0}^{\infty} \mathbb{L}^{-2m} \cdot \frac{\mathbb{L}^m - 1}{\mathbb{L} - 1} + (\mathbb{L} - 1) \mathbb{L}^{-2} \cdot \frac{\mathbb{L}}{\mathbb{L} - 1} \\ &= (\mathbb{L} - 1) \mathbb{L}^{-3} \sum_{m=0}^{\infty} (\mathbb{L}^{-m} - \mathbb{L}^{-2m}) + \mathbb{L}^{-1} \\ &= \frac{\mathbb{L}^{-2} + \mathbb{L}^{-1} + 1}{\mathbb{L} + 1}. \end{aligned}$$

If we suppose that the  $H$ -orbits in  $\{x_1, x_2, x_3, x_4\}$  are  $\{x_1, x_3\}$  and  $\{x_2, x_4\}$ , then

$$\mathbb{A}_k^2 \cong \{(x, y, x, y) \mid x, y \in k\} = V_0^H \subset v_0^H,$$

we have  $\text{codim}(v_0^H, v_0) = 1$  and

$$\mathbb{M}'_{(2^2)} = \mathbb{L}^3 \cdot \mathbb{M}_{(2^2)} = \frac{\mathbb{L} + \mathbb{L}^2 + \mathbb{L}^3}{\mathbb{L} + 1}.$$

Thus,  $\mathbb{M}_{(2^2)}$  and  $\mathbb{M}'_{(2^2)}$  are dual to each other in the sense that they interchange by substituting  $\mathbb{L}^{-1}$  for  $\mathbb{L}$ .



For the other terms  $M_{\mathbf{p}}$  and  $M'_{\mathbf{p}}$ , we see that

$$\begin{aligned} M_{(4)} &= \mathbb{L}^{-4} + \mathbb{L}^{-2}, & M'_{(4)} &= \mathbb{L}^4 + \mathbb{L}^2, \\ M_{(3,1)} &= \mathbb{L}^{-3}, & M'_{(3,1)} &= \mathbb{L}^3, \\ M_{(2,1^2)} &= \frac{\mathbb{L}^{-1}}{\mathbb{L} + 1}, & M'_{(2,1^2)} &= \frac{\mathbb{L}^2}{\mathbb{L} + 1}, \\ M_{(1^4)} &= 1, & M'_{(1^4)} &= 1. \end{aligned}$$

For each partition  $\mathbf{p}$ , we would have the duality. Summing these up, we get

$$\begin{aligned} M &= \mathbb{L}^{-4} + \mathbb{L}^{-3} + \mathbb{L}^{-2} + 1 + \frac{\mathbb{L}^{-2} + 2\mathbb{L}^{-1} + 1}{\mathbb{L} + 1}, \\ M' &= \mathbb{L}^4 + \mathbb{L}^3 + \mathbb{L}^2 + 1 + \frac{\mathbb{L} + 2\mathbb{L}^2 + \mathbb{L}^3}{\mathbb{L} + 1}. \end{aligned}$$

REMARK 12.2. By similar computations, we can easily deduce the motivic counterpart of Serre’s mass formula [Ser78] from Conjecture 12.1. In any characteristic and for any  $m$ ,

$$\int_{\text{Fie}_m} \mathbb{L}^{-d} d\tau = \mathbb{L}^{1-m}.$$

Here,  $d : \text{Fie}_m \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}$  is the function associating the discriminant exponent to a field extension and  $\tau$  is the tautological motivic measure on  $\text{Fie}_n$ . This too justifies the conjecture. With some more computation, it would be possible to also get the motivic version of Bhargava’s formula [Bha07].

**§13. Concluding remarks**

We end the paper by making some remarks and raising several problems for the future.

**13.1 Singularities of  $v$ ,  $v^{|F|}$  and  $v^{|F|,\nu}$**

In the definition of log varieties, we assumed that the ambient variety is always normal. It forced us to take the normalization  $v^{|F|,\nu}$  of the untwisting variety  $v^{|F|}$ . The normality assumption enabled us to work in a standard setting of the minimal model program and to use familiar computations of divisors. However, this restriction seems not to be really necessary. For

instance, we can define the stringy motif if we specify an invertible subsheaf of

$$\left( \bigwedge^d \Omega_{X/D} \right)^{\otimes r} \otimes K(X)$$

rather than a boundary divisor  $\Delta$ . We then would be able to replace most of the arguments in this paper with ones using subsheaves rather than divisors.

What kind of singularities can  $\mathfrak{v}^{|F|}$  and  $\mathfrak{v}^{|F|,\nu}$  have? In the examples in Sections 9 and 10, rather mild singularities appeared. Indeed, in both examples, for every  $E \in G\text{-Cov}(D)$ , the untwisting variety  $\mathfrak{v}^{|F|}$  had only normal hypersurface singularities having a crepant resolution. In general, if  $\mathfrak{v} \subset V$  is a hypersurface, then so is  $\mathfrak{v}^{|F|} \subset V^{|F|}$ , although the author does not know if it is always normal. What about complete intersections? If the answer is positive, then we would be able to use Proposition 8.1 to compute the boundary of  $\mathfrak{v}^{|F|}$ . Moreover, we might be able to generalize, for instance, the semicontinuity of the minimal log discrepancies to quotients of local complete intersections by combining arguments used for local complete intersections [EMY03, EM04] and quotient singularities [Nak].

In the tame case, if  $\mathcal{O}_D = k[[\pi]]$ , then, as we saw in Section 9, the map  $u^* : \mathcal{O}_V \rightarrow \mathcal{O}_{V^{(F)}}$  is simply given by  $x_i \mapsto \pi^{a_i} x_i$ ,  $a_i \in \mathbb{Q}$  for a suitable choice of coordinates  $x_1, \dots, x_d \in \mathcal{O}_V$  and  $x_1, \dots, x_d \in \mathcal{O}_{V^{(F)}}$ . Therefore, if  $\mathfrak{v} \subset V$  is defined by  $f_1, \dots, f_l \in \mathcal{O}_V$ , then the scheme-theoretic preimage  $u^{-1}(\mathfrak{v}) \subset V^{(F)}$  is defined by  $u^* f_1, \dots, u^* f_l$ , which have the same number of terms as  $f_1, \dots, f_l$  respectively. In particular, if  $\mathfrak{v}$  is an affine toric variety, then it is embedded into  $V$  as a closed subvariety defined by binomials  $f_1, \dots, f_l$ , and then  $u^{-1}(\mathfrak{v})$  is also defined by binomials. Thanks to this fact, we might be able to study  $\mathfrak{v}^{|F|}$  from the combinatorial viewpoint.

In the example in Section 10,  $\mathfrak{v}^{|F|}$  had  $A_1$ -singularities and  $D_{2n}^0$ -singularities, from Artin's classification of rational double points in positive characteristics [Art77]. In general, when  $\mathfrak{v}$  and hence  $\mathfrak{v}^{|F|}$  are surfaces (relative dimension one over  $D$ ), then what kind of singularities can  $\mathfrak{v}^{|F|}$  have? Does every rational double point appear on some  $\mathfrak{v}^{|F|}$ ? If we can compute singularities of  $\mathfrak{v}^{|F|}$  systematically, we would be able to compute the right-hand side of the equality in Conjecture 7.3 explicitly and to derive many mass formulas, explained below.

### 13.2 Mass formulas for extensions of a local field and local Galois representations

For a constructible function  $\Phi : G\text{-Cov}(D) \rightarrow \mathcal{R}$ , the integral

$$\int_{G\text{-Cov}(D)} \Phi \, d\tau$$

can be regarded as the motivic count of  $G$ -covers of  $D$  with  $E \in G\text{-Cov}(D)$  weighted by  $\Phi(E)$ . If  $\mathcal{O}_D$  has a finite residue field  $k = \mathbb{F}_q$  rather than an algebraically closed one, then the motif  $\int_{G\text{-Cov}(D)} \Phi \, d\tau$  should give an actual weighted count of  $G$ -covers of  $D$  as its *point-counting realization*. This observation was made in [Yas14, WY15] in the context of the wild McKay correspondence for linear actions. Such counts are number-theoretic problems by nature. Indeed, as clarified in [WY15], counts appearing in the McKay correspondence are closely related to counts of extensions of a local field and to counts of local Galois representations, for instance, studied in [Kra66, Ser78, Bha07, Ked07, Woo08]: formulas for such counts are called *mass formulas*. The weights previously considered have the form  $\mathbb{L}^\alpha$  for some function  $\alpha : G\text{-Cov}(D) \rightarrow \mathbb{Q}$ , corresponding to weights of the form  $\frac{1}{\#H} q^\alpha$  in actual counts if  $k = \mathbb{F}_q$ . However, in Conjecture 7.3, we have fancier weights  $M_{\text{st}, C_G(H)}(\mathfrak{v}^{|F|, \nu})$ , which are expected to often be rational functions in  $\mathbb{L}$  or  $\mathbb{L}^{1/n}$ ,  $n \in \mathbb{Z}_{>0}$  (this is actually the case in examples in Sections 9 and 10). The new weights clearly have geometric meaning and might provide some insight into the number theory.

### 13.3 Weight functions for general representations

How do we compute functions  $\mathbf{w}_V$  and  $\mathbf{v}_V$  for general linear actions  $G \curvearrowright V = \mathbb{A}_D^d$ ? By now, we have satisfactory answers in the following cases:

- the tame case [Yasa, WY15],
- the case where  $\mathcal{O}_D = k[[\pi]]$ , with  $k$  of characteristic  $p > 0$ , and  $G = \mathbb{Z}/p\mathbb{Z}$  [Yas14],
- permutation representations [WY15],
- a hyperplane in a permutation representation defined by an invariant linear form (Corollary 11.4).

For the general case, we can always embed a given representation into a permutation representation and apply Corollary 8.1. The problem is to compute the divisor  $A_F$ , which appears to be almost equivalent to computing functions  $\mathbf{w}_V$  and  $\mathbf{v}_V$ .

### 13.4 The convergence or divergence of motivic integrals

The motivic integrals discussed in this paper do not generally converge, and stringy motifs and motivic masses can be infinite. In such a case, the wild McKay correspondence conjecture does not mean much. In characteristic zero, the convergence of a stringy motif is equivalent to the given singularities being (Kawamata) log terminal. The author then called *stringily log terminal* singularities whose stringy motif converges, which is equivalent to the usual notion of log terminal if singularities admit a log resolution. Since quotient singularities in characteristic zero are always log terminal, this divergence problem did not occur in the study of the McKay correspondence in characteristic zero. However, wild quotient singularities are sometimes stringily log terminal and sometimes not. It is an interesting problem to know when they are and when they are not. If  $\mathcal{O}_D = k[[\pi]]$  has characteristic  $p > 0$ , and  $G = \mathbb{Z}/p\mathbb{Z}$ , then the convergence is determined by the value of a simple representation-theoretic invariant denoted by  $D_V$  in [Yas14]. Is it possible to generalize this invariant to other groups?

Another problem is that of attaching finite values to divergent motivic integrals by “renormalizing” them somehow, for instance, as tried by Veys [Vey04, Vey03] for stringy invariants in characteristic zero.

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