

# Floer-theoretic filtration on Painlevé Hitchin systems

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- Painlevé equations  $\rightsquigarrow$  Hitchin moduli spaces
- $P_I, P_{II}, \dots, P_{VI}$ , all 2-dimensional
- We prove: Only  $P_I, P_{II}, P_{IV}, P_{VI}$  admit  $\mathbb{C}^*$ -actions
- [Ritter-Ž. '23] Hamiltonian Floer theory +  $\mathbb{C}^*$ -action on real-symplectic  $Y \implies$  filtration  $\mathcal{F}$  on  $H^*(Y)$  by cup ideals
- We compute  $\mathcal{F}$  for  $P_{I,II,IV}$  and compare with  $P = W$  on  $H^2$
- [Ritter-Ž. '23]: the same for *parabolic* Higgs moduli  $\dim \mathcal{M}_\Gamma = 2$
- Outcome:  $\mathcal{F} \subset P$  for Painlevé, but  $\mathcal{F} \supset P$  for parabolic
- Uniformising both families:  $\mathcal{F}|_{H^2} = \mathcal{M}$ , multiplicity filtration (scheme theoretic on the nilpotent core)

# Very brief intro to symplectic manifolds

- **Def:** Symplectic manifold  $(Y, \omega)$  is a manifold  $(..)$  with a non-degenerate ( $\omega(X, \cdot) = 0 \implies X = 0$ ) closed ( $d\omega = 0$ ) 2-form  $\omega$ .
- Necessarily even-dimensional
- Simplest example:  $(\mathbb{C}^n = \mathbb{R}^{2n}, \omega_{std} = \sum_i dx_i \wedge dy_i)$ ,
- **Darboux chart:**  $d\omega = 0 \implies (Y, \omega)$  locally  $\cong (\mathbb{R}^{2n}, \omega_{std})$
- Kähler manifolds  $(X, \omega, I)$ ,  $g = \omega(\cdot, I\cdot)$  is Riemannian.
- In particular, smooth (quasi)projective varieties  $/\mathbb{C}$ .

# Very brief intro to Floer theory

- Floer theory studies Hamiltonian flows = "symplectic gradients"  
 $\omega(\cdot, X_H) = dH$  on symplectic manifolds  $(Y, \omega)$ .
- Given a Hamiltonian  $H : Y \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ , Floer chain complex  
 $CF^*(H) := \mathbb{K}\langle x : S^1 \rightarrow Y \mid \dot{x} = X_H(x) \rangle$   
 $d :=$  counts  $\partial_s u + I(\partial_t u - X_H) = 0$ .  
(Morse complex for  $\mathcal{A}_H : \mathcal{L}M \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ )
- **Upshot:** For closed  $Y$ ,  $HF^*(H) \cong H^*(Y)$ .
- For open  $Y$  and a "small"  $H_\delta$  still get  $HF^*(H_\delta) \cong H^*(Y)$ .
- for non-small  $H$  **issue: non-compactness of  $Y$**   
 $\implies$  assume  $(Y, \omega)$  Liouville  $= (\Sigma \times [1, \infty), d(R\alpha))$  at  $\infty$   
 $+ H_\lambda = \lambda R$  at  $\infty$ ,  $\lambda > 0$  generic  
 $\implies$  **symplectic cohomology**  $SH^*(Y) := \lim_{\lambda \rightarrow \infty} HF^*(H_\lambda)$ .

Example:  $SH^*(T^*Q) \cong H_{\dim M - *}(LQ)$

# Symplectic $\mathbb{C}^*$ -manifolds (Ritter-Ž.)

## Definition

**Symplectic  $\mathbb{C}^*$ -manifold** is a connected symplectic manifold  $(Y, \omega, I)$  admitting a pseudoholomorphic  $\mathbb{C}^*$ -action  $\varphi$  whose  $S^1$ -part is Hamiltonian.

- Assume  $\mathbb{C}^*$ -action is *contracting*,  $\mathfrak{F} := Y^{\mathbb{C}^*}$  is compact and  $\forall y, \exists \lim_{\mathbb{C}^* \ni t \rightarrow 0} t \cdot y \in \mathfrak{F}$ .
- The other limit defines the  $\text{Core}(Y) := \{y \in Y \mid \exists \lim_{\mathbb{C}^* \ni t \rightarrow \infty} t \cdot y\}$ .

## Theorem

1.  $\text{Core}(Y)$  is compact and connected.
2. It is deformation retract of  $Y$  when  $(Y, \text{Core}(Y))$  CW-pair
3.  $H^*(Y) \cong \bigoplus_{\alpha} H^*(\mathfrak{F}_{\alpha})[-\mu_{\alpha}]$   
 $\implies \exists! \mathfrak{F}_{\min}$  minimum of  $H$  (**minimal component**).

# Symplectic $\mathbb{C}^*$ -manifolds over a convex base

- Attempt to define  $SH^*(Y)$  as for Liouville ( $Y$  almost never Liouville)  
**Issue:** Analysis does not work (a priori).
- Motivated by examples, impose further: there is a proper map

$$\Psi : (Y \setminus \text{compact}, I) \rightarrow (\Sigma \times [1, \infty), I_B), \quad \Psi_* X_{S^1} = (f > 0) \cdot \mathcal{R}_B.$$

- Such  $Y$  we call **Symplectic  $\mathbb{C}^*$ -manifolds over a convex base.**
- **Main examples:** Equivariant projective morphisms  $p : Y \rightarrow X$  to affine  $X$  with a contracting  $\mathbb{C}^*$ -action.  
Here equivariantly embed  $X \subset \mathbb{C}^n =: B$  and compose with  $p$  to get  $\Psi$ .
- In particular: toric varieties, symplectic resolutions, weighted homogeneous singularities, quotient singularities, Higgs moduli spaces

# Construction of Symplectic cohomology

## Theorem (Construction of SH)

*Given a symplectic  $\mathbb{C}^*$ -manifold over a convex base  $(Y, \omega, I, \varphi)$ ,  $SH(Y, \varphi) := \varinjlim_{\lambda} HF(F)$  is a well-defined unital ring ( $F = \lambda H$  at infinity)*

Considering “clean” Hamiltonians  $\lambda H$ , for  $\varphi$ -generic  $\lambda$ , we get:

## Proposition

$c_1(Y) = 0 \implies SH^*(Y, \varphi) = 0$ .

*(idea: support of  $HF^*(\lambda H)$  shifts negatively, linearly with  $\lambda$ )*

# Application: Filtration on cohomology

- Canonical  $c_\lambda^* : QH^*(Y) \cong HF^*(F_{\text{small slope}}) \rightarrow HF^*(F_\lambda)$
- Filtration  $\mathcal{F}_\lambda^\varphi := \ker c_\lambda^*$  “survival time”

## Proposition

$\exists$  Floer-theoretic filtration  $\mathcal{F}_\lambda^\varphi(QH^*(Y))$  by ideals on the ring  $QH^*(Y)$ .  
If  $SH^*(Y) = 0$ , it exhausts it, otherwise define  $\mathcal{F}_{+\infty}^\varphi := QH^*(Y)$

- $\mathcal{F}^\varphi$  is compatible with grading  $\implies$  get filtrations  $\mathcal{F}^\varphi(QH^k(Y))$ .
- Although  $SH^*(Y, \varphi)$  is usually  $\varphi$ -independent,  $\mathcal{F}^\varphi$  can depend on  $\varphi$ !
- Specialise at  $T = 0$  (Novikov  $\mathbb{K} = \{\sum_n a_n T^{r_n} \mid \mathbb{R} \ni r_n \rightarrow +\infty\}$ )  
 $\implies$  filtration  $\mathcal{F}_{\mathbb{B}, \lambda}^\varphi$  on  $H^*(Y, \mathbb{B})$  by cup-ideals,  
 $\text{rk}_{\mathbb{K}} \mathcal{F}_\lambda = \text{rk}_{\mathbb{B}} \mathcal{F}_{\mathbb{B}, \lambda}$ .



# Lower bounds on filtration

- Using clean Hamiltonian  $\lambda H$  we get the energy spectral sequence

$$\bigoplus_{\alpha} H^*(\mathfrak{F}_{\alpha})[-\mu_{\lambda}(\mathfrak{F}_{\alpha})] \implies HF^*(\lambda H)$$

where  $2 \mid \mu_{\lambda}(\mathfrak{F}_{\alpha})$  computable via **weights**  $T_{\mathfrak{F}_{\alpha}} Y = \bigoplus \mathbb{C}_{w_i}$ .

- When  $H^{odd}(Y) = 0$  get

$$\bigoplus_{\alpha} H^*(\mathfrak{F}_{\alpha})[-\mu_{\lambda}(\mathfrak{F}_{\alpha})] \cong HF^*(\lambda H)$$

- The continuation maps  $c_{\lambda}^* : \bigoplus_{\alpha} H^*(\mathfrak{F}_{\alpha})[-\mu_{\alpha}] \rightarrow \bigoplus_{\alpha} H^*(\mathfrak{F}_{\alpha})[-\mu_{\lambda}(\mathfrak{F}_{\alpha})]$

## Proposition

$$rk(\mathcal{F}_{\lambda}(H^k(Y))) \geq \sum_{\alpha} b_{k-\mu_{\alpha}}(\mathfrak{F}_{\alpha}) - b_{k-\mu_{\lambda}(\mathfrak{F}_{\alpha})}(\mathfrak{F}_{\alpha}).$$

# Survival of the minimal component

- Assuming that  $H^{odd}(Y) = 0$ , recall the continuation map becomes:  
 $c_\lambda^* : \bigoplus_\alpha H^*(\mathfrak{F}_\alpha)[- \mu_\alpha] \rightarrow \bigoplus_\alpha H^*(\mathfrak{F}_\alpha)[- \mu_\lambda(\mathfrak{F}_\alpha)]$

## Proposition

*Assume  $H^{odd}(Y) = 0$  and  $\lambda < 1/(\max \text{ absolute weight of } \mathfrak{F}_{\min})$ .*

$$c_\lambda^*|_{H^*(\mathfrak{F}_{\min})} = \text{id}_{H^*(\mathfrak{F}_{\min})[-\mu_\lambda(\mathfrak{F}_{\min})]} + (T^{>0}\text{-terms}),$$

*hence*

$$\mathcal{F}_{\mathbb{B}, \lambda}^\varphi \subset \bigoplus_{\alpha \neq \min} H^*(\mathfrak{F}_\alpha; \mathbb{B})[-\mu_\alpha].$$

# Spectral sequence reads the filtration

- On  $\mathbb{C}^n$  (Liouville), use a convex Hamiltonian  $H_\lambda$  that is linear at infinity, and the action functional  $\mathcal{A}_H$  to filter  $CF^*(H_\lambda)$ .

## Theorem

*Projecting via  $\Psi : Y \rightarrow B$ , can use the modification of [McLean–Ritter’18] filtration on  $B$  to get filtration on  $CF^*(H_\lambda)$ , that follows the value of moment map  $H$ , such that the continuation maps  $CF^*(H_\lambda) \subset CF^*(H_{\lambda'})$ .*

## Corollary

*There is a Morse–Bott–Floer spectral sequence*

$$\bigoplus_{\alpha} H^*(\mathfrak{F}_{\alpha})[-\mu_{\alpha}] \oplus \bigoplus H^*(B_{p,\beta})[-\mu_{p,\beta}] \Rightarrow SH^*(Y, \varphi), \text{ where}$$

$$\sqcup_{\beta} B_{p,\beta} = \{H = H_p\} \cap Y^{\mathbb{Z}/m}, \quad c'(H_p) =: T_p = \frac{2\pi k}{m}, \quad (k, m) = 1.$$

## Proposition (Spectral sequence reads the filtration)

$$x \in \mathcal{F}_{\lambda}^{\varphi} \Leftrightarrow \text{the columns having } T_p \leq \lambda \text{ kill } x \in E_1^{0,q} = H^*(Y).$$

# $\mathbb{C}^*$ -action on Painlevé moduli spaces

- Ordinary Higgs moduli  $\mathcal{M} := \{[E, \theta] \mid \text{stable pairs}\} / \text{gauge}$  have natural  $\mathbb{C}^*$ -action induced from the Higgs field  $t \cdot (E, \theta) = (E, t\theta)$ . It acts  $t \cdot \Omega_I = t\Omega_I$  on holo-symplectic form.
- Painlevé spaces are irregular Higgs moduli on  $\mathbb{CP}^1$  with Higgs poles at  $|D| = 4$ . Choices of partition of 4 and linear algebra at poles distinguish  $PI, \dots, PVI$
- Irregular Higgs moduli boundary conditions at poles need not to be  $\mathbb{C}^*$ -equivariant  $\implies$  no  $\mathbb{C}^*$ -action a priori.

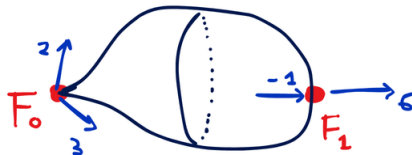
## Theorem

*For  $PI, PII, PIV, PVI$ , with a degenerate choice of parameters (residue not regular semi-simple), there is equivariant  $\mathbb{C}^*$ -action on  $h^{PX} : \mathcal{M}^{PX} \rightarrow B^{PX} \cong \mathbb{C}$ .  $\Omega_I$  is weight-1 only in  $PVI$ .*

- Other Painlevé ( $PIII, PV$ ) have more than one singular Hitchin fibre, so no equivariant  $\mathbb{C}^*$ -action on  $h^{PX} : \mathcal{M}^{PX} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ .

# Computing $\mathcal{F}$ on Painlevé I

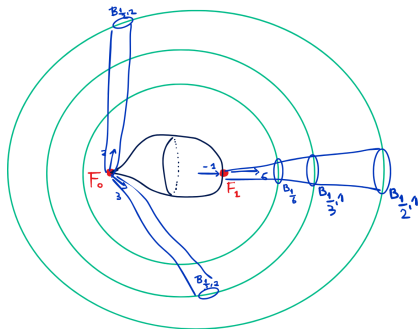
- $\text{Core}(\mathcal{M}^{PI}) = \text{cuspidal}(x^2 = y^3)$  curve of genus 0.
- $(\mathcal{M}^{PI})^{\mathbb{C}^*} = F_0(\text{cusp}) \sqcup F_1, F_i \cong *$
- $T_{F_0} = \mathbb{C}_2 \oplus \mathbb{C}_3, T_{F_1} = \mathbb{C}_{-1} \oplus \mathbb{C}_6$



- Method [Ritter-Ž. I] gives complete description:
  1. Lower bounds  $\mathcal{F}_{1/6} \supset H^2, \mathcal{F}_{1/3} = H^*,$
  2. Unit survival  $1 \notin \mathcal{F}_{1/3^-}$   
 $\implies \mathcal{F}_{1/6} = H^2 \subset \mathcal{F}_{1/3} = H^*,$

# Computing $\mathcal{F}$ on Painlevé I, via spectral sequence

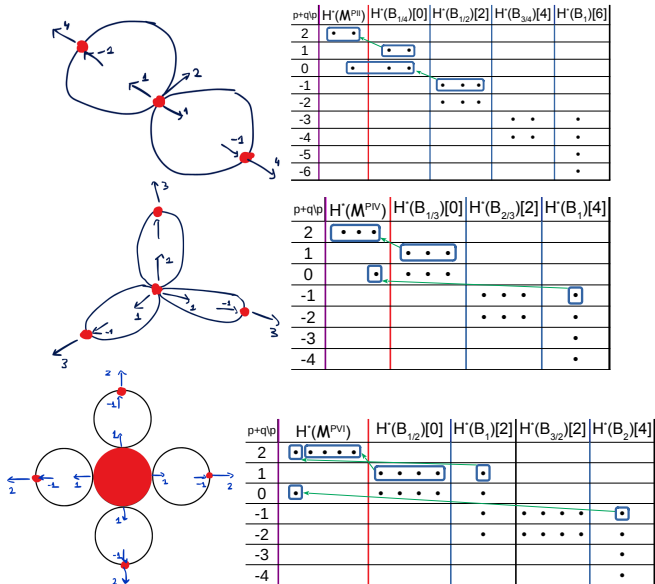
- Can also use the method from [Ritter-Ž. II], i.e. spectral sequence
- $B_{1/6} = S^1, B_{1/3} = S^1 \sqcup S^1, B_{1/2} = S^1 \sqcup S^1$ .



$p+q/p$	$H^*(M^{(p)})$	$H^*(B_{1/6})[0]$	$H^*(B_{1/3})[2]$	$H^*(B_{1/2})[4]$	$H^*(B_{2/3})[6]$	$H^*(B_{5/6})[8]$	$H^*(B_1)[10]$
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$\Rightarrow \mathcal{F}_{1/6} = H^2 \subset \mathcal{F}_{1/3} = H^*$  again.

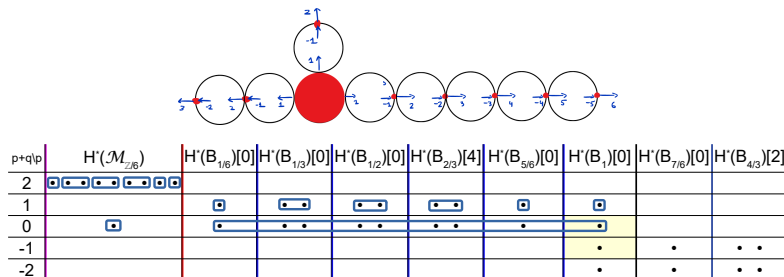
# Computing $\mathcal{F}$ on Painlevé II, IV, VI



Upshot:  $\mathcal{F}$  is refined by  $P = W$

# $\mathcal{F}$ on parabolic Higgs moduli $\mathcal{M}_\Gamma$ (Ritter-Ž.)

- Parabolic Higgs moduli of  $\dim = 2$  are  $\mathcal{M}_\Gamma = T^*E/\Gamma$ ,  $\Gamma \in \{0, \mathbb{Z}_2, \mathbb{Z}_3, \mathbb{Z}_4, \mathbb{Z}_6\}$
- projection  $T^*E \cong E \times \mathbb{C} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$  yields the Hitchin map  $\mathcal{M}_\Gamma \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ , and  $\mathbb{C}^*$ -action from fibre-dilation on  $T^*E$  makes it equivariant.
- In [Szabo-Ž.] describe this in the Higgs moduli language.
- $\text{Core}(\mathcal{M}_\Gamma) = Q_\Gamma$ -tree of curves, where  $Q_\Gamma = \tilde{A}_0, \tilde{D}_4, \tilde{E}_6, \tilde{E}_7, \tilde{E}_8$

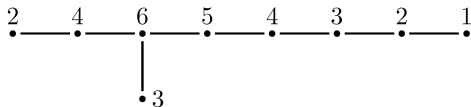


- Upshot:  $\mathcal{F}$  is a refinement of  $P = W$ , for all  $\mathcal{M}_\Gamma$ .



# Comparison with multiplicity filtration

- Noticed that  $\mathcal{F}$  = imaginary root labels



- Fact: Imaginary root of  $Q_\Gamma$  depicts the multiplicities of the components of  $\text{Core}(\mathcal{M}_\Gamma)$
- $h : \mathcal{M} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}^n \implies \text{Core}(\mathcal{M}) = h^{-1}(0) = \cup_i m_i E_i$  (scheme)
- $\text{Core}(\mathcal{M})$  is Lagrangian  $\implies E_i$  equidimensional  
 $\implies [E_i]$  is a base on  $H^{\text{mid}}(\mathcal{M})$   
 $\implies$  filtration  $\mathcal{M}_k := \{[E_i] \mid m_i \leq k\}$  on  $H^{\text{mid}}(\mathcal{M})$ .

## Theorem

$\mathcal{F}_{\mathbb{B}}(H^{\text{mid}}(\mathcal{M})) = \mathcal{M}$  (rank-wise), for *\*all\**  $\dim_{\mathbb{C}} = 2$  Higgs moduli  $\mathcal{M}$ .

- Higher dimensions? ( $\text{Hilb}^n(\mathcal{M}_\Gamma)$ , in progress with S. Minets)

Thank you for listening.