# Resonant Hypergeometric Systems and Mirror Symmetry

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#### Abstract

In Part I the  $\Gamma$ -series of [11] are adapted so that they give solutions for certain resonant systems of Gel'fand-Kapranov-Zelevinsky hypergeometric differential equations. For this some complex parameters in the  $\Gamma$ series are replaced by nilpotent elements from a ring  $\mathcal{R}_{A,\mathcal{T}}$ . The adapted  $\Gamma$ -series is a function  $\Psi_{\mathcal{T},\beta}$  with values in the finite dimensional vector space  $\mathcal{R}_{A,\mathcal{T}} \otimes_{\mathbb{Z}} \mathbb{C}$ . Part II describes applications of these results in the context of toric Mirror Symmetry. Building on Batyrev's work [2] we show that a certain relative cohomology module  $H^n(\widetilde{\mathbb{T}} \operatorname{rel} \widetilde{\mathsf{Z}}_{s-1})$  is a GKZ hypergeometric  $\mathcal{D}$ -module which over an appropriate domain is isomorphic to the trivial  $\mathcal{D}$ -module  $\mathcal{R}_{A,\mathcal{T}} \otimes \mathcal{O}_{\mathcal{T}}$ , where  $\mathcal{O}_{\mathcal{T}}$  is the sheaf of holomorphic functions on this domain. The isomorphism is explicitly given by adapted  $\Gamma$ -series. As a result one finds the periods of a holomorphic differential form of degree d on a d-dimensional Calabi-Yau manifold, which are needed for the B-model side input to Mirror Symmetry. Relating our work with that of Batyrev and Borisov [3] we interpret the ring  $\mathcal{R}_{\mathsf{A},\mathcal{T}}$  as the cohomology ring of a toric variety and a certain principal ideal in it as a subring of the Chow ring of a Calabi-Yau complete intersection. This interpretation takes place on the A-model side of Mirror Symmetry.

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#### PART I

# Introduction I

A GKZ hypergeometric system [11] depends on four parameters: two positive integers N and n, a set  $\{a_1, \ldots, a_N\}$  of vectors in  $\mathbb{Z}^n$  and a vector  $\beta$  in  $\mathbb{C}^n$ . The standard assumptions [11] are

Condition 1<sup>-1</sup> 
$$\mathfrak{a}_1, \ldots, \mathfrak{a}_N$$
 generate a rank *n* sub-lattice  $\mathbb{M}$  in  $\mathbb{Z}^n$  (1)

$$\exists \mathfrak{a}_0^{\vee} \in \mathbb{Z}^{n^{\vee}} \text{ such that } \mathfrak{a}_0^{\vee} \cdot \mathfrak{a}_i = 1 \ (i = 1, \dots, N)$$

$$(2)$$

The GKZ system with these parameters is the following system of partial differential equations for functions  $\Phi$  on a torus with coordinates  $v_1, \ldots, v_N$ :

$$\left(-\beta + \sum_{j=1}^{N} \mathfrak{a}_{j} v_{j} \frac{\partial}{\partial v_{j}}\right) \Phi = 0$$
(3)

$$\left(\prod_{\ell_j>0} \left[\frac{\partial}{\partial v_j}\right]^{\ell_j} - \prod_{\ell_j<0} \left[\frac{\partial}{\partial v_j}\right]^{-\ell_j}\right) \Phi = 0 \quad \text{for } \ell \in \mathbb{L}$$
(4)

where (3) is in fact a system of n equations and

$$\mathbb{L} := \left\{ \ell = (\ell_1, \dots, \ell_N)^t \in \mathbb{Z}^N \mid \ell_1 \mathfrak{a}_1 + \dots + \ell_N \mathfrak{a}_N = 0 \right\}.$$
 (5)

Some of the above data are displayed in the following short exact sequence in which  $\mathcal{A}$  denotes the linear map  $\mathcal{A}$ :  $\mathbb{Z}^N \to \mathbb{Z}^n$ ,  $\mathcal{A}(\lambda) = \lambda_1 \mathfrak{a}_1 + \ldots + \lambda_N \mathfrak{a}_N$ .

$$0 \to \mathbb{L} \longrightarrow \mathbb{Z}^N \xrightarrow{\mathcal{A}} \mathbb{M} \to 0 \tag{6}$$

We are going to construct solutions for GKZ systems with  $\beta \in \mathbb{M}$ . Of special interest for applications to mirror symmetry are the cases  $\beta = 0$  and  $\beta = -\mathfrak{a}_0$  with  $\mathfrak{a}_0$  as in the definition of reflexive Gorenstein cone (definition 5).

The idea is as follows. Gel'fand-Kapranov-Zelevinskii [11] give solutions for (3)-(4) in the form of so-called  $\Gamma$ -series

$$\sum_{\ell \in \mathbb{L}} \prod_{j=1}^{N} \frac{v_j^{\gamma_j + \ell_j}}{\Gamma(\gamma_j + \ell_j + 1)} \tag{7}$$

<sup>1</sup>  $\mathbb{Z}^n, \mathbb{R}^n, \mathbb{C}^n$  resp.  $\mathbb{Z}^{n\vee}, \mathbb{R}^{n\vee}, \mathbb{C}^{n\vee}$  denote spaces of column vectors resp. row vectors.

 $\Gamma$  is the usual  $\Gamma$ -function,  $\ell = (\ell_1, \ldots, \ell_N)^t \in \mathbb{L} \subset \mathbb{Z}^N$ . The series depends on an additional parameter  $\gamma = (\gamma_1, \ldots, \gamma_N)^t \in \mathbb{C}^N$  which must satisfy

$$\gamma_1 \mathfrak{a}_1 + \ldots + \gamma_N \mathfrak{a}_N = \beta \tag{8}$$

Allowing the obvious formal rules for differentiating such  $\Gamma$ -series one sees that the functional equations of the  $\Gamma$ -function guarantee that (7) satisfies the differential equations (4) and that condition (8) on  $\gamma$  takes care of (3). The issue is to interpret the  $\Gamma$ -series (7) as a function on some domain. In order that (7) can be realized as a function  $\gamma$  must satisfy more conditions. Gel'fand-Kapranov-Zelevinskii obtain convenient conditions from a triangulation  $\mathcal{T}$  of the convex hull of  $\{\mathfrak{a}_1, \ldots, \mathfrak{a}_N\}$ . However, if  $\beta$  is in  $\mathbb{M}$  and the triangulation has more than one maximal simplex, the vectors  $\gamma$  which satisfy these extra conditions do not provide enough  $\Gamma$ -series solutions for the GKZ system. This phenomenon is called resonance [11]. An extreme case of resonance, in which all  $\Gamma$ -series coincide, occurs when  $\beta$  is in  $\mathbb{M}$  and  $\mathcal{T}$  is unimodular.

**Definition 1** (cf. [24]) A triangulation is called unimodular if all its maximal simplices have volume 1; the volume of a maximal simplex conv  $\{a_{i_1}, \ldots, a_{i_n}\}$  is defined as  $|\det(a_{i_1}, \ldots, a_{i_n})|$ .

To get around the resonance problem for  $\beta \in \mathbb{M}$  we proceed as follows. Fixing a solution  $\gamma^{\circ} \in \mathbb{Z}^N$  for equation (8) we write the general solution of (8) as  $\gamma = \gamma^{\circ} + \mathsf{c}$  with  $\mathsf{c} = (c_1, \ldots, c_N)^t$  such that

$$c_1 \mathfrak{a}_1 + \ldots + c_N \mathfrak{a}_N = 0 \tag{9}$$

and note  $\gamma + \mathbb{L} = \mathbf{c} + \mathcal{A}^{-1}(\beta)$ . Thus (7) becomes  $\sum_{\lambda \in \mathcal{A}^{-1}(\beta)} \prod_{j=1}^{N} \frac{v_j^{c_j + \lambda_j}}{\Gamma(c_j + \lambda_j + 1)}$ . Multiplying this by  $\prod_{j=1}^{N} \Gamma(c_j + 1)$  we obtain

$$\Phi_{\mathcal{T},\beta}(\mathsf{v}) := \sum_{\lambda \in \mathcal{A}^{-1}(\beta)} Q_{\lambda}(\mathsf{c}) \cdot \prod_{j=1}^{N} v_{j}^{\lambda_{j}} \cdot \prod_{j=1}^{N} v_{j}^{c_{j}}$$
(10)

where

$$Q_{\lambda}(\mathsf{c}) := \frac{\prod_{\lambda_{j}<0} \prod_{k=0}^{-\lambda_{j}-1} (c_{j}-k)}{\prod_{\lambda_{j}>0} \prod_{k=1}^{\lambda_{j}} (c_{j}+k)}.$$
 (11)

The key observation is that (11) and (10) also make sense when  $c_1, \ldots, c_N$  are taken from a  $\mathbb{Q}$ -algebra in which they are nilpotent. The expression  $v_j^{c_j}$  can still be interpreted as  $\exp(c_j \log v_j)$ .

**Definition 2** Let  $A = (a_{ij})$  denote the  $n \times N$ -matrix with columns  $\mathfrak{a}_1, \ldots, \mathfrak{a}_N$ . For a regular triangulation T (cf. § 1.1) of the polytope  $\Delta := \operatorname{conv} \{\mathfrak{a}_1, \ldots, \mathfrak{a}_N\}$ we define:

$$\mathcal{R}_{\mathsf{A},\mathcal{T}} := \mathbb{Z}[D^{-1}][C_1,\ldots,C_N] / \mathcal{J}$$
(12)

where  $\mathcal{J}$  is the ideal generated by the linear forms

$$a_{i1}C_1 + \ldots + a_{iN}C_N$$
 for  $i = 1, \ldots, n$  (13)

and by the monomials

 $C_{i_1} \cdot \ldots \cdot C_{i_s}$  with  $\operatorname{conv} \{\mathfrak{a}_{i_1}, \ldots, \mathfrak{a}_{i_s}\}$  not a simplex in  $\mathcal{T}$ ; (14)

D is the product of the volumes of the maximal simplices of  $\mathcal{T}$ . We write  $c_i$  for the image of  $C_i$  in  $\mathcal{R}_{\mathsf{A},\mathcal{T}}$ .

In theorem 3 we show that  $\mathcal{R}_{A,\mathcal{T}}$  is a free  $\mathbb{Z}[D^{-1}]$ -module with rank equal to the number of maximal simplices in the triangulation. This implies that  $c_1, \ldots, c_N$  are nilpotent and hence

$$Q_{\lambda}(\mathsf{c}) \in \mathcal{R}_{\mathsf{A},\mathcal{T}} \otimes \mathbb{Q}$$

**Theorem 1** With this interpretation of  $Q_{\lambda}(\mathsf{c})$  the function  $\Phi_{\mathcal{T},\beta}(\mathsf{v})$ defined by (10) takes values in the algebra  $\mathcal{R}_{\mathsf{A},\mathcal{T}} \otimes \mathbb{C}$ .

The domain of definition of the function  $\Phi_{\mathcal{T},\beta}(\mathsf{v})$  is discussed hereafter. Relation (13) ensures that this function  $\Phi_{\mathcal{T},\beta}(\mathsf{v})$  satisfies the differential equations (3); it automatically satisfies (4). Relation (14) ensures that the series expansion for  $\Phi_{\mathcal{T},\beta}(\mathsf{v})$  only contains  $\lambda$ 's (i.e.  $Q_{\lambda}(\mathsf{c}) \neq 0$ ) which satisfy

 $\mathcal{A}\lambda = \beta$  and  $\operatorname{conv}\left\{\mathfrak{a}_{i} \mid \lambda_{i} < 0\right\}$  is a simplex in the triangulation  $\mathcal{T}$ . (15)

This is important for determining a domain of definition for  $\Phi_{\mathcal{T},\beta}(\mathsf{v})$ .

As we tried to distinguish a kind of regular behavior for the  $\lambda$ 's which satisfy (15), we were led to triangulations for which the intersection of the maximal simplices is not empty. We call

core 
$$\mathcal{T} :=$$
 intersection of the maximal simplices of  $\mathcal{T}$  (16)

the core of the triangulation  $\mathcal{T}$ . We use the short notation  $i \in \operatorname{core} \mathcal{T}$  for  $\mathfrak{a}_i \in \operatorname{core} \mathcal{T}$ . The following result is corollary 3 in section 5.

**Theorem 2** Assume core  $\mathcal{T} \neq \emptyset$  and  $\beta = \sum_{i \in \text{core } \mathcal{T}} m_i \mathfrak{a}_i$  with all  $m_i < 0$ . Then the function  $\Phi_{\mathcal{T},\beta}(\mathsf{v})$  takes values in the principal ideal  $c_{\text{core}} \mathcal{R}_{\mathsf{A},\mathcal{T}} \otimes \mathbb{C}$  where

$$c_{\text{core}} := \prod_{i \in \text{core } \mathcal{T}} c_i$$

Multiplication by  $c_{core}$  on  $\mathcal{R}_{A,\mathcal{T}}$  induces a linear isomorphism

$$\mathcal{R}_{\mathsf{A},\mathcal{T}}/\operatorname{Ann} c_{\operatorname{core}} \xrightarrow{\simeq} c_{\operatorname{core}} \mathcal{R}_{\mathsf{A},\mathcal{T}}$$
 (17)

Thus one can also say that the function  $\Phi_{\mathcal{T},\beta}(\mathsf{v})$  takes values in the algebra  $\mathcal{R}_{\mathsf{A},\mathcal{T}}/\operatorname{Ann} c_{\operatorname{core}} \otimes \mathbb{C}$ .

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By composing  $\Phi_{\mathcal{T},\beta}$  with a linear map  $\mathcal{R}_{\mathsf{A},\mathcal{T}} \to \mathbb{C}$  one obtains a  $\mathbb{C}$ -multivalued function which satisfies the system of differential equations (3)-(4). When  $\beta = 0$  and  $\mathcal{T}$  is unimodular all solutions of (3)-(4) can be obtained in this way; see theorem 5.

For  $\beta \neq 0$  not all solutions of (3)-(4) can be obtained in this way. Yet what we need for mirror symmetry are the solutions which can be obtained in this way for appropriate  $\beta$  and  $\mathcal{T}$ ; see theorem 10. Our proof of this theorem makes essential use of the relation:

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial v_i} \Phi_{\mathcal{T},\beta}(\mathsf{v}) = \Phi_{\mathcal{T},\beta-\mathfrak{a}_i}(\mathsf{v}).$$
(18)

which follows imediately from the formulas (10) and (11).

**Remark 1** The ideal generated by the monomials in (14) is known as the *Stanley-Reisner ideal* and has been defined for finite simplicial complexes in general [22]. It is well-known [5, 10, 21] that the cohomology ring of a toric variety constructed from a complete simplicial fan has a presentation by generators and relations as in (13)-(14). Unimodular triangulations whose core is not empty and is not contained in the boundary of  $\Delta$ , give rise to such toric varieties and in that case  $\mathcal{R}_{A,\mathcal{T}}$  is indeed the cohomology ring of a toric variety; see theorem 9. However not all triangulations to which the present discussion applies are of this kind. For instance for the triangulation  $\mathcal{T}_5$  in figure 1 we find  $\mathcal{R}_{A,\mathcal{T}_5} = \mathbb{Z}[c_1, c_2, c_5]/(c_1^2, c_2^2, c_5^2, c_1c_2, c_2c_5)$ . An element like  $c_2$  which annihilates the whole degree 1 part of  $\mathcal{R}_{A,\mathcal{T}_5}$  can not exist in the cohomology of a toric variety.

**Remark 2** Our method for solving GKZ systems in the resonant case evolved directly from the  $\Gamma$ -series of Gel'fand-Kapranov-Zelevinskii. In hindsight it can also be viewed as a variation on the classical method of Frobenius [9]. The latter would view  $\gamma_1, \ldots, \gamma_N$  in (7) or  $c_1, \ldots, c_N$  in (10) as variables with a restriction given by (8) or (9); then differentiate (repeatedly if necessary) with respect to these variables and set  $\gamma = (\gamma_1, \ldots, \gamma_N)$  in the derivatives equal to its special value  $\gamma^{\circ}$ , c.q. set  $c_1 = \ldots = c_N = 0$ , to obtain solutions for (3)-(4). Frobenius [9] considered only functions in one variable. In the case with more variables one also needs a good bookkeeping device for the linear relations between the solutions of the differential equations. The rings  $\mathcal{R}_{A,\mathcal{T}}$ resp.  $\mathcal{R}_{A,\mathcal{T}}/\operatorname{Ann}\mathit{c_{\operatorname{core}}}$  are such a bookkeeping devices. Hosono-Klemm-Theisen-Yau have applied Frobenius' method directly in the situation of the Picard-Fuchs equations of certain families of Calabi-Yau threefolds; see [17] formulas (4.9) and (4.10). In their work the cohomology ring of the mirror Calabi-Yau threefold plays a similar role of bookkeeper; in fact  $\mathcal{R}_{A,\mathcal{T}}/\operatorname{Ann} c_{\operatorname{core}}$  is the cohomology ring of the mirror Calabi-Yau manifold . The way in which we arrive at our result looks quite different from that in [17] §4. Moreover the formulation in op. cit. is restricted to the situation of Calabi-Yau threefolds.

**Remark 3** Some of our  $\Phi_{\mathcal{T},\beta}$ 's are similar to expressions presented by Givental in [14] theorems 3 and 4; more specifically,  $\vec{g}_l$  in [14] thm. 4 is a special case of  $\Phi_{\mathcal{T},\beta}$  in our theorem 2 with  $\beta = -\sum_{i \in \operatorname{core} \mathcal{T}} \mathfrak{a}_i$ , whereas in [14] thm. 3 there is a difference in that the input data are not subject to (2) in condition 1. The algebra H in [14] thm. 3 is the cohomology algebra of a toric variety while our  $\mathcal{R}_{\mathsf{A},\mathcal{T}}$  for appropriate  $\mathcal{T}$  is also the cohomology algebra of a toric variety. The algebra H in [14] thm. 4 is the algebra  $\mathcal{R}_{\mathsf{A},\mathcal{T}}/\operatorname{Ann} c_{\operatorname{core}}$  in our theorem 2.

For a proper treatment of the logarithms which appear in (10) we set

$$\begin{aligned}
v_j &:= \exp(2\pi i z_j) \quad (j = 1, \dots, N) \\
z &:= (z_1, \dots, z_N) \in \mathbb{C}^{N \vee} \\
c &:= (c_1, \dots, c_N)^t \in \mathcal{R}_{\mathsf{A},\mathcal{T}} \otimes \mathbb{Z}^N;
\end{aligned} \tag{19}$$

by (9) c lies in fact in  $\mathcal{R}_{\mathsf{A},\mathcal{T}} \otimes \mathbb{L}$ . Instead of (10) we now consider

$$\Psi_{\mathcal{T},\beta}(\mathsf{z}) := \sum_{\lambda \in \mathcal{A}^{-1}(\beta)} Q_{\lambda}(\mathsf{c}) \mathsf{e}^{2\pi \mathsf{i} \, \mathsf{z} \cdot \lambda} \cdot \mathsf{e}^{2\pi \mathsf{i} \, \mathsf{z} \cdot \mathsf{c}} \,.$$
(20)

Note that  $e^{2\pi i z \cdot c}$  is just a polynomial, but  $\sum_{\lambda \in \mathcal{A}^{-1}(\beta)} Q_{\lambda}(c) e^{2\pi i z \cdot \lambda}$  is really a series. In section 3 we analyse the convergence of this series and give a domain  $\mathcal{V}_{\mathcal{T}}$  in  $\mathbb{C}^{N\vee}$  on which the function  $\Psi_{\mathcal{T},\beta}$  is defined; see theorem 4.

The domain  $\mathcal{V}_{\mathcal{T}}$  is invariant under translations by elements of  $\mathbb{Z}^{N\vee}$  and by elements of  $\mathbb{M}_{\mathbb{C}}^{\vee}$  := Hom( $\mathbb{M}, \mathbb{C}$ )  $\subset \mathbb{C}^{N\vee}$ . From (20) one immediately sees

$$\Psi_{\mathcal{T},\beta}(\mathsf{z}+\mu) = \mathsf{e}^{2\pi \mathsf{i}\,\mu\cdot\mathsf{c}} \cdot \Psi_{\mathcal{T},\beta}(\mathsf{z}) \quad \forall\,\mu\in\mathbb{Z}^{N\vee}$$
(21)

$$\Psi_{\mathcal{T},\beta}(\mathsf{z}+\mathsf{m}) = \mathsf{e}^{2\pi\mathsf{i}\,\mathsf{m}\,\cdot\beta} \cdot \Psi_{\mathcal{T},\beta}(\mathsf{z}) \quad \forall\,\mathsf{m}\in\mathbb{M}^{\vee}_{\mathbb{C}}.$$
(22)

The functional equation (21) gives the monodromy of  $\Phi_{\mathcal{T},\beta}$ , when viewed as a multivalued function on  $\mathcal{V}_{\mathcal{T}}/\mathbb{Z}^{N\vee}$  with values in the vector space  $\mathcal{R}_{\mathsf{A},\mathcal{T}} \otimes \mathbb{C}$ . Because of (13) elements of  $\mathbb{M}_{\mathbb{Z}}^{\vee} := \operatorname{Hom}(\mathbb{M}, \mathbb{Z})$  give trivial monodromy and the actual monodromy comes from  $\mathbb{L}_{\mathbb{Z}}^{\vee} := \operatorname{Hom}(\mathbb{L}, \mathbb{Z})$ .

As  $\mathbb{M}_{\mathbb{Z}}^{\vee}$  acts trivially, the translation action of  $\mathbb{M}_{\mathbb{C}}^{\vee}$  descends to an action of the torus  $\mathbb{M}_{\mathbb{C}}^{\vee}/\mathbb{M}_{\mathbb{Z}}^{\vee} = \operatorname{Hom}(\mathbb{M}, \mathbb{C}^*)$ . The functional equation (22), whose infinitesimal analogues are the differential equations (3), means that  $\Psi_{\mathcal{T},\beta}$  is an eigenfunction with character  $\beta$ .

If one wants an invariant function for  $\beta \neq 0$  one must replace the range of values of  $\Psi_{\mathcal{T},\beta}$  by  $(\mathcal{R}_{\mathsf{A},\mathcal{T}} \otimes \mathbb{C})/\mathbb{C}^*$ , the orbit space for the natural  $\mathbb{C}^*$ -action on the vector space  $\mathcal{R}_{\mathsf{A},\mathcal{T}} \otimes \mathbb{C}$ . On a possibly slightly smaller domain of definition the invariant function even takes values in the projective space  $\mathbb{P}(\mathcal{R}_{\mathsf{A},\mathcal{T}} \otimes \mathbb{C})$ . The  $\mathbb{M}^{\vee}_{\mathbb{C}}$ -invariant function  $\Psi_{\mathcal{T},\beta} \mod \mathbb{C}^*$  is defined on the domain  $\mathbb{L}^{\vee}_{\mathbb{R}} + \sqrt{-1}\mathcal{B}_{\mathcal{T}}$  in  $\mathbb{L}^{\vee}_{\mathbb{C}}$ ; cf. formula (39). The (multivalued) function  $\Phi_{\mathcal{T},\beta} \mod \mathbb{C}^*$  is defined on a domain in the torus  $\operatorname{Hom}(\mathbb{L}, \mathbb{C}^*)$ .

For a good overall picture it is appropriate to point out here that the pointed secondary fan (the construction of which is recalled in section 1.2) defines a toric

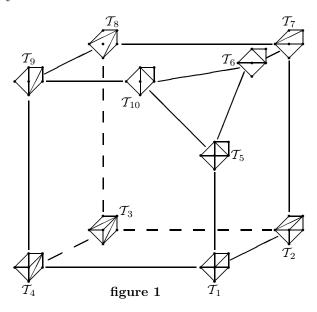
variety which compactifies the torus  $\operatorname{Hom}(\mathbb{L}, \mathbb{C}^*)$ . To each regular triangulation of  $\Delta$  corresponds a special point in the boundary of this compactification. The domain of definition of  $\Phi_{\mathcal{T},\beta} \mod \mathbb{C}^*$  is the intersection of the torus  $\operatorname{Hom}(\mathbb{L}, \mathbb{C}^*)$ and a neighborhood of the special point corresponding to  $\mathcal{T}$ ; see the end of section 3.

**Example 1** Let  $\mathfrak{a}_1, \ldots, \mathfrak{a}_6$  be the columns of the following matrix A:

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix}$$
$$B = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & -2 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & -3 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & -2 & 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$
$$\Delta = \begin{array}{c} \mathfrak{a}_{3} & \mathfrak{a}_{4} & \mathfrak{a}_{5} \\ \bullet & \mathfrak{a}_{6} \end{array}$$

These satisfy conditions (1) and (2) with  $\mathbb{M} = \mathbb{Z}^3$  and  $\mathfrak{a}_0^{\vee} = (1, 0, 0)$ .

Figure 1 shows all regular triangulations of the polytope  $\Delta$ , with two triangulations joined by an edge iff the corresponding cones in the pointed secondary fan are adjacent.



The columns of the matrix  $\mathsf{B}^t$  constitute a  $\mathbb{Z}$ -basis for  $\mathbb{L}$  by means of which one can identify  $\mathbb{L}$  with  $\mathbb{Z}^3$  and  $\mathbb{L}_{\mathbb{R}}^{\vee}$  with  $\mathbb{R}^{3\vee}$ . The rows  $\mathfrak{b}_1, \ldots, \mathfrak{b}_6$  of the matrix  $\mathsf{B}^t$  are then identified with the images of the standard basis vectors under the projection  $\mathbb{R}^{6\vee} \to \mathbb{L}_{\mathbb{R}}^{\vee}$ , dual to the inclusion  $\mathbb{L} \subset \mathbb{Z}^6$ . Thus one finds  $\ell_j =$  $\mathfrak{b}_j \cdot \ell$  for every  $\ell \in \mathbb{L}_{\mathbb{R}} \simeq \mathbb{R}^3$  and (15) becomes a condition on the signs of  $\mathfrak{b}_1 \cdot \ell + \gamma_1^\circ, \ldots, \mathfrak{b}_6 \cdot \ell + \gamma_6^\circ$ . The signs give a vector in  $\{-1, 0, +1\}^6$ 

These sign vectors correspond exactly to the various strata in the stratification of  $\mathbb{R}^3$  induced by the six planes  $\mathfrak{b}_j \cdot \mathbf{x} + \gamma_j^\circ = 0$   $(j = 1, \dots, 6)$ . Figure 2

shows the zonotope spanned by  $\mathfrak{b}_1, \ldots, \mathfrak{b}_6$ . The 3 - j-dimensional faces of this zonotope correspond bijectively with the *j*-dimensional strata in the stratification for  $\gamma^\circ = 0$ . The stratum with sign vector  $(s_1, \ldots, s_6)$  corresponds with the face whose centre is  $s_1\mathfrak{b}_1 + s_2\mathfrak{b}_2 + s_3\mathfrak{b}_3 + s_4\mathfrak{b}_4 + s_5\mathfrak{b}_5 + s_6\mathfrak{b}_6$ . The vertices 1–14 (resp. 15–28) of the zonotope have sign vectors  $(s_1, \ldots, s_6)$  (resp.  $-(s_1, \ldots, s_6)$ ) as given in table 1.

The sign vectors of all faces of the zonotope give all possible signs for  $\ell = (\ell_1, \ldots, \ell_6) \in \mathbb{L}$ . Thus by comparing this with (15) one can see for every triangulation  $\mathcal{T}$  what types of terms are involved in the series of  $\Psi_{\mathcal{T},0}$ . For example for triangulation  $\mathcal{T}_1$  the series of  $\Psi_{\mathcal{T}_{1,0}}$  involves precisely those  $\ell \in \mathbb{L}$  whose sign vector corresponds to a face of the zonotope containing at least one of the vertices 1, 2, 3 or 4.

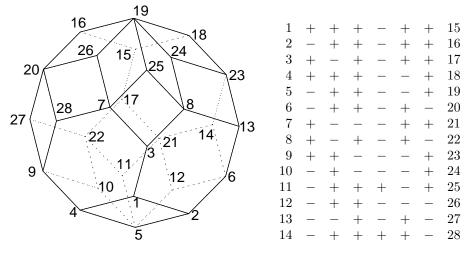




table 1

The series  $\Psi_{\mathcal{T}_{1},-\mathfrak{a}_{4}}$  involves the same  $\ell$ 's with exception of  $\ell = 0$  (which corresponds to the 3-dimensional the zonotope itself). Using the Pochhammer symbol notation  $(x)_{m} := x(x+1) \cdot \ldots \cdot (x+m-1)$  we have

$$\begin{split} \Psi_{\mathcal{T}_{1,-\mathfrak{a}_{4}}} &= c_{4} \, \mathrm{e}^{-2\pi i z_{4}} \, T_{1}^{c_{1}} T_{2}^{c_{2}} T_{5}^{c_{5}} \times \\ &\times \left\{ \sum_{p,q,r \geq 0} (-1)^{q} \frac{(2c_{1} + 3c_{2} + 2c_{5} + 1)_{2p+3q+2r}}{(c_{1})_{p}(c_{2})_{q}(c_{5})_{r}(c_{1} + c_{2})_{p+q}(c_{2} + c_{5})_{q+r}} T_{1}^{p} T_{2}^{q} T_{5}^{r} \right. \\ &\left. - c_{1} \sum_{r \geq 0, -q \leq p < 0} (-1)^{q+p} \frac{(2p + 3q + 2r)!(-p - 1)!}{q!r!(p+q)!(q+r)!} T_{1}^{p} T_{2}^{q} T_{5}^{r} \right. \\ &\left. - c_{5} \sum_{p \geq 0, -q \leq r < 0} (-1)^{q+r} \frac{(2p + 3q + 2r)!(-r - 1)!}{p!q!(p+q)!(q+r)!} T_{1}^{p} T_{2}^{q} T_{5}^{r} \right. \\ &\left. - c_{2} \sum_{-p \leq q < 0, -r \leq q < 0} \frac{(2p + 3q + 2r)!(-q - 1)!}{p!r!(p+q)!(q+r)!} T_{1}^{p} T_{2}^{q} T_{5}^{r} \right\} \end{split}$$

where

$$\begin{split} T_1 &:= \mathsf{e}^{2\pi i (z_1 - 2z_4 + z_6)} \;, \quad T_2 &:= \mathsf{e}^{2\pi i (z_2 + z_3 - 3z_4 + z_6)} \;, \quad T_5 &:= \mathsf{e}^{2\pi i (z_3 - 2z_4 + z_5)} \\ &c_4 &= -2c_1 - 3c_2 - 2c_5 \end{split}$$

and

$$\mathcal{R}_{\mathsf{A},\mathcal{T}_1} = \mathbb{Z}[c_1, c_2, c_5] / (c_1^2 - c_2^2, c_1^2 - c_5^2, c_1^2 + c_1 c_2, c_1^2 + c_2 c_5, c_1 c_5).$$

Note that  $c_4c_1 = c_4c_2 = c_4c_5$ . One may therefore simplify the expression for  $\Psi_{\mathcal{T}_1,-\mathfrak{a}_4}$  and replace  $c_2$  and  $c_5$  by  $c_1$ .

# 1 Regular triangulations and the pointed secondary fan

In this section we review some results about regular triangulations and about the pointed secondary fan, essentially following [4]. One may take as a definition of *regular triangulations* that these are the triangulations produced by the construction in this section; see in particular proposition 1.

### 1.1 Regular triangulations

We start from a set of vectors  $\{a_1, \ldots, a_N\}$  in  $\mathbb{Z}^n$  satisfying condition 1. Let  $\Delta = \operatorname{conv} \{a_1, \ldots, a_N\}$  denote the convex hull of this set of points in  $\mathbb{R}^n$ . We are interested in triangulations of  $\Delta$  such that all vertices are among the marked points  $a_1, \ldots, a_N$ . The notation can be conveniently simplified by referring to a simplex conv  $\{a_{i_1}, \ldots, a_{i_m}\}$  by just the index set  $\{i_1, \ldots, i_m\}$ . We will allways take the indices in increasing order. If  $\mathcal{T}$  is a triangulation, we write  $\mathcal{T}^m$  for the set of simplices with m vertices. A triangulation is completely determined by its set of maximal simplices  $\mathcal{T}^n$ .

For the construction of a regular triangulation we take an N-tuple of positive real numbers  $d = (d_1, \ldots, d_N)$  and consider the polytope

$$\mathcal{P}_{\mathsf{d}} := \operatorname{conv}\left\{0, d_1^{-1}\mathfrak{a}_1, \dots, d_N^{-1}\mathfrak{a}_N\right\} \subset \mathbb{R}^n \,. \tag{23}$$

Consider a subset  $I = \{i_1, \ldots, i_n\}$  of  $\{1, \ldots, N\}$  for which  $\mathfrak{a}_{i_1}, \ldots, \mathfrak{a}_{i_n}$  are linearly independent. The affine hyperplane through  $d_{i_1}^{-1}\mathfrak{a}_{i_1}, \ldots, d_{i_n}^{-1}\mathfrak{a}_{i_n}$  is given by the equation  $D_{\mathsf{d},I}(\mathsf{x}) = 0$  with

$$D_{\mathsf{d},I}(\mathsf{x}) := \det \left( \begin{array}{ccc} d_{i_1}^{-1} \mathfrak{a}_{i_1} & \dots & d_{i_n}^{-1} \mathfrak{a}_{i_n} & \mathsf{x} \\ 1 & \dots & 1 & 1 \end{array} \right)$$
(24)

Write  $I^* := \{1, \ldots, N\} \setminus I$ . Then  $\{d_{i_1}^{-1} \mathfrak{a}_{i_1}, \ldots, d_{i_n}^{-1} \mathfrak{a}_{i_n}\}$  lies in a codimension 1 face of  $\mathcal{P}_{\mathsf{d}}$  if and only if for all  $j \in I^*$ :

$$D_{\mathsf{d},I}(d_j^{-1}\mathfrak{a}_j) \cdot D_{\mathsf{d},I}(0) \ge 0 \tag{25}$$

This face is a simplex with vertices  $d_{i_1}^{-1}\mathfrak{a}_{i_1},\ldots,d_{i_n}^{-1}\mathfrak{a}_{i_n}$  iff  $D_{\mathsf{d},I}(d_j^{-1}\mathfrak{a}_j) \neq 0$  for every  $j \in I^*$ . Thus if  $\mathsf{d}$  does not lie on any hyperplane in  $\mathbb{R}^N$  given by the vanishing of  $D_{\mathsf{d},I}(d_j^{-1}\mathfrak{a}_j)$  for some I and j with  $j \notin I$ , then all faces of  $\mathcal{P}_{\mathsf{d}}$ opposite to the vertex 0 are simplicial.

In this case the projection with center 0 projects the boundary of  $\mathcal{P}_{\mathsf{d}}$  onto a triangulation  $\mathcal{T}$  of  $\Delta$ . The maximal simplices of  $\mathcal{T}$  are those  $I = \{i_1, \ldots, i_n\}$  for which  $D_{\mathsf{d},I}(d_j^{-1}\mathfrak{a}_j) \cdot D_{\mathsf{d},I}(0) > 0$  holds for every  $j \in I^*$ .

Let  $A = (a_{ij})$  denote the  $n \times N$ -matrix with columns  $\mathfrak{a}_1, \ldots, \mathfrak{a}_N$ . The triangulation obviously depends only on d modulo the row space of A. Let us reformulate the above construction accordingly.

Take  $\mathbb{L} = \ker \mathsf{A} \subset \mathbb{Z}^N$  as in (5). Assumption (2) implies  $\ell_1 + \ldots + \ell_N = 0$  for every  $\ell = (\ell_1, \ldots, \ell_N)^t \in \mathbb{L}$ . Take an  $(N - n) \times N$ -matrix B with entries in  $\mathbb{Z}$  such that columns of  $\mathsf{B}^t$  constitute a basis for  $\mathbb{L}$ .

Let  $w \in \mathbb{R}^{N-n}$ . Then there exists a row vector of positive real numbers  $\mathsf{d} = (d_1, \ldots, d_N)$  such that  $w = \mathsf{B}\mathsf{d}^t$ . Take the matrices

$$\widetilde{\mathsf{A}} \ := \ \left( egin{array}{c|c} \mathsf{A} & 0 \\ \hline \mathsf{d} & 1 \end{array} 
ight) \qquad ext{and} \qquad \widetilde{\mathsf{B}} \ := \ \left( egin{array}{c|c} \mathsf{B} & -w \end{array} 
ight) \,.$$

Denote by  $\widetilde{\mathsf{A}}_K$  (resp.  $\widetilde{\mathsf{B}}_K$ ) the submatrix of  $\widetilde{\mathsf{A}}$  (resp.  $\widetilde{\mathsf{B}}$ ) composed of the entries with column index in a subset K of  $\{1, \ldots, N+1\}$ . Since rank  $\widetilde{\mathsf{A}} = n+1$ , rank  $\widetilde{\mathsf{B}} = N - n$  and  $\widetilde{\mathsf{A}} \cdot \widetilde{\mathsf{B}}^t = 0$  there is a non-zero  $r \in \mathbb{Q}$  such that for every  $J \subset \{1, \ldots, N+1\}$  of cardinality n+1 and  $J' = \{1, \ldots, N+1\} \setminus J$ 

$$\det(\widetilde{\mathsf{A}}_J) = (-1)^{\sum_{j \in J} j} r \det(\widetilde{\mathsf{B}}_{J'})$$

One sees that (25) is equivalent to

$$(-1)^{\sharp\{h\in I^*\mid h>j\}}\det\left(\left(\mathsf{B}_{I^*\setminus\{j\}}\mid w\right)\right)\cdot\det\left(\mathsf{B}_{I^*}\right)\geq 0\,;\tag{26}$$

here  $B_{I^*}$  resp.  $B_{I^* \setminus \{j\}}$  is the submatrix of B consisting of the entries with column index in  $I^*$  resp.  $I^* \setminus \{j\}$ .

Thus the triangulation  $\mathcal{T}$  can also be constructed from (26).

### 1.2 The pointed secondary fan

For a more intrinsic formulation which does not refer to a choice of a basis for  $\mathbb{L}$  we consider the (N-n)-dimensional real vector space  $\mathbb{L}_{\mathbb{R}}^{\vee} := \operatorname{Hom}(\mathbb{L}, \mathbb{R})$ . Let  $\mathfrak{b}_1, \ldots, \mathfrak{b}_N \in \mathbb{L}_{\mathbb{R}}^{\vee}$  be the images of the standard basis vectors of  $\mathbb{R}^{N\vee}$  under the surjection  $\mathbb{R}^{N\vee} \twoheadrightarrow \mathbb{L}_{\mathbb{R}}^{\vee}$  dual to the inclusion  $\mathbb{L} \hookrightarrow \mathbb{Z}^N$ . Let  $\mathfrak{B}$  (resp.  $\mathfrak{D}$ ) be the collection of those subsets J of  $\{1, \ldots, N\}$  of cardinality N - n (resp. N - n - 1) for which the vectors  $\mathfrak{b}_j$   $(j \in J)$  are linearly independent. For  $K = \{k_1, \ldots, k_{N-n}\} \in \mathfrak{B}$  and  $J = \{j_1, \ldots, j_{N-n-1}\} \in \mathfrak{D}$  we write

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{C}_K &:= \{ t_1 \mathfrak{b}_{k_1} + \ldots + t_{N-n} \mathfrak{b}_{k_{N-n}} \in \mathbb{L}_{\mathbb{R}}^{\vee} \mid t_1, \ldots, t_{N-n} \in \mathbb{R}_{\geq 0} \} \\ H_J &:= \{ t_1 \mathfrak{b}_{j_1} + \ldots + t_{N-n-1} \mathfrak{b}_{j_{N-n-1}} \in \mathbb{L}_{\mathbb{R}}^{\vee} \mid t_1, \ldots, t_{N-n-1} \in \mathbb{R} \} \,. \end{aligned}$$

Choosing a basis for  $\mathbb{L}$  as before one can identify  $\mathbb{L}_{\mathbb{R}}^{\vee}$  with  $\mathbb{R}^{N-n\vee}$  and  $\mathfrak{b}_1, \ldots, \mathfrak{b}_N$ with the rows of matrix  $\mathsf{B}^t$ . The inequality (26) becomes equivalent to the statement  $w \in \mathcal{C}_{I^*}$ . The condition  $D_{\mathsf{d},I}(d_j^{-1}\mathfrak{a}_j) \neq 0$  for the left hand factor in (25) becomes equivalent to  $w \notin H_J$  for  $J = \{1, \ldots, N+1\} \setminus (I \cup \{j\})$ .

Thus the preceding discussion shows:

**Proposition 1** (cf. [4] lemma 4.3.) For  $w \in \mathbb{L}^{\vee}_{\mathbb{R}} \setminus \bigcup_{J \in \mathfrak{D}} H_J$  the set

$$T^n := \{ I \mid I^* \in \mathfrak{B} \text{ and } w \in \mathcal{C}_{I^*} \}$$

is the set of maximal simplices of a regular triangulation  $\mathcal{T}$  of  $\Delta$ . (Recall the notation  $I^* := \{1, \ldots, N\} \setminus I$ .)

If  $\mathcal{T}$  is a regular triangulation of  $\Delta$  write

$$\mathcal{C}_{\mathcal{T}} = \bigcap_{I \in \mathcal{T}^n} \mathcal{C}_{I^*} \,. \tag{27}$$

 $\boxtimes$ 

Then every  $w \in C_T \setminus \bigcup_{J \in \mathfrak{D}} H_J$  leads by the above construction to the same triangulation  $\mathcal{T}$ .

The cones  $C_{\mathcal{T}}$  one obtains in this way from all regular triangulations of  $\Delta$  constitute the collection of maximal cones of a complete fan in  $\mathbb{L}_{\mathbb{R}}^{\vee}$ . This fan is called *the pointed secondary fan*.

**Remark 4** The dual (or polar) set of  $\mathcal{P}_d$  in (23) is (e.g. [1] def.4.1.1, [10] p.24)

$$\mathcal{P}_{\mathsf{d}}^{\vee} := \{ \mathsf{y} \in \mathbb{R}^{n \vee} \mid \mathsf{y} \cdot \mathsf{x} \ge -1 \text{ for all } \mathsf{x} \in \mathcal{P}_{\mathsf{d}} \}$$
(28)

It is the intersection of half-spaces given by the inequalities

$$\mathbf{y} \cdot \mathbf{a}_i + d_i \ge 0 \quad (i = 1, \dots, N)$$

 $\mathcal{P}_d^{\vee}$  is an unbounded polyhedron. Its vertices correspond with the codimension 1 faces of  $\mathcal{P}_d$  which do not contain 0.

Adding to d an element of the row space of matrix A amounts to just a translation of the polyhedron  $\mathcal{P}_{d}^{\vee}$  in  $\mathbb{R}^{n\vee}$ . If d gives rise to a unimodular triangulation, then  $\mathcal{P}_{d}^{\vee}$  is an (unbounded) Delzant polyhedron in the sense of [16] p.8. Thus, by the constructions in [16] a point in the real cone  $C_{\mathcal{T}}$  for a unimodular regular triangulation  $\mathcal{T}$  can be interpreted as a parameter for the symplectic structure of a toric variety. In view of formula (39) this applies in particular to the imaginary part of the variable z in (20).

### **2** The ring $\mathcal{R}_{A,\mathcal{T}}$ .

**Theorem 3** Consider the ring  $\mathcal{R}_{A,\mathcal{T}}$  as in definition 2.

- (i).  $\mathcal{R}_{\mathsf{A},\mathcal{T}}$  is a free  $\mathbb{Z}[D^{-1}]$ -module of rank  $\sharp \mathcal{T}^n$ .
- (ii).  $\mathcal{R}_{A,\mathcal{T}}$  is a graded ring. Let  $\mathcal{R}_{A,\mathcal{T}}^{(k)}$  denote its homogeneous component of degree k. Then the Poincaré series of  $\mathcal{R}_{A,\mathcal{T}}$  is:

$$\sum_{k \ge 0} \left( \operatorname{rank} \, \mathcal{R}_{\mathsf{A}, \mathcal{T}}^{(k)} \right) \, \tau^k \, = \, \sum_{m=0}^n \sharp \left( \, \mathcal{T}^m \, \right) \tau^m (1-\tau)^{n-m}$$

where  $\sharp(T^m) =$  the number of simplices with *m* vertices;  $\sharp(T^0) = 1$  by convention. In particular

$$\mathcal{R}_{\mathsf{A},\mathcal{T}}^{(k)} = 0 \quad for \quad k \ge n$$

(iii).  $\{c_I \mid I \in T^n\}$  is a  $\mathbb{Z}[D^{-1}]$ -basis for  $\mathcal{R}_{A,T}$ . (cf. formula (30))

The **proof of theorem 3** closely follows the proofs of Danilov ( $[5] \S 10$ ) and Fulton ( $[10] \S 5.2$ ) for the analogous presentation of the Chow ring of a complete simplicial toric variety. We include a proof here in order check that it needs no reference to algebraic cycles and also works when the simplicial complex is homeomorphic to a ball instead of a sphere as in [5, 10].

For the construction of a basis for  $\mathcal{R}_{\mathsf{A},\mathcal{T}}$  we choose a vector  $\xi$  in  $\Delta$  which should be linearly independent from every n-1-tuple of vectors in  $\{\mathfrak{a}_1,\ldots,\mathfrak{a}_N\}$ . If I is a maximal simplex, then  $\{\mathfrak{a}_i\}_{i\in I}$  is a basis of  $\mathbb{R}^n$  and  $\xi = \sum_{i\in I} x_i\mathfrak{a}_i$  with all  $x_i \neq 0$ . We define

$$I^{-} := \{ i \in I \mid x_i < 0 \},$$
(29)

$$c_I := \prod_{i \in I^-} c_i . \tag{30}$$

Let  $\mathcal{T}$  be associated with  $\mathbf{d} = (d_1, \ldots, d_N)$  as in section 1.1. For  $I \in \mathcal{T}^n$  let  $p_I$  be the positive real number such that  $p_I \xi$  lies in the affine hyperplane through the points  $d_i^{-1} \mathfrak{a}_i$  with  $i \in I$ , i.e.  $D_{\mathbf{d},I}(p_I \xi) = 0$ . We may assume that  $\mathbf{d}$  is chosen such that  $p_{I_1} \neq p_{I_2}$  whenever  $I_1 \neq I_2$ ; indeed, for  $I_1 \neq I_2$  the equality  $p_{I_1} = p_{I_2}$  amounts to a non-trivial linear equation for  $d_1, \ldots, d_N$ . As in [10] we define a total ordering on  $\mathcal{T}^n$ :

$$I_1 < I_2 \quad \text{iff} \quad p_{I_1} < p_{I_2} \,.$$
 (31)

**Lemma 1** (cf. [10] p.101(\*)) If  $I_1^- \subset I_2$  then  $I_1 \leq I_2$ .

**proof:** By definition of  $p_{I_1}$  there exist  $s_j \in \mathbb{R}$  such that  $p_{I_1}\xi = \sum_{j \in I_1} s_j d_j^{-1} \mathfrak{a}_j$ and  $1 = \sum_{j \in I_1} s_j$ . If  $I_1 \neq I_2$  and  $I_1^- \subset I_2$  then  $s_j > 0$  for every  $j \in I_1 \setminus I_2$ . Using this and (25) for  $I_2$  one checks:  $D_{\mathsf{d},I_2}(p_{I_1}\xi) \cdot D_{\mathsf{d},I_2}(0) > 0$ . This shows that 0 and  $p_{I_1}\xi$  lie on the same side of the affine hyperplane through the points  $d_i^{-1}\mathfrak{a}_i$  with  $i \in I_2$ . Hence:  $p_{I_1} < p_{I_2}$ . **Lemma 2** (cf. [10] p.102) Let J be a simplex in  $\mathcal{T}$ . Then:  $I^- \subset J \subset I$  where  $I := \min\{I' \in \mathcal{T}^n \mid J \subset I'\}$ .

**proof:** The conclusion is clear if I = J. So assume  $I \neq J$  and take  $i \in I \setminus J$ . Then  $I \setminus \{i\}$  is a codim 1 simplex in the triangulation, which either is contained in the boundary of  $\Delta$  or is contained in another maximal simplex  $I' \neq I$ .

If  $I \setminus \{i\}$  is a boundary simplex, then  $\xi$  and  $\mathfrak{a}_i$  are on the same side of the linear hyperplane in  $\mathbb{R}^n$  spanned be the vectors  $\mathfrak{a}_j$  with  $j \in I \setminus \{i\}$ . This implies  $x_i > 0$  in the expansion  $\xi = \sum_{j \in I} x_j \mathfrak{a}_j$ . So  $i \notin I^-$ .

If  $I \setminus \{i\}$  is contained in a maximal simplex  $I' \neq I$ , then  $J \subset I'$  and hence I < I'. Now look at the two expansions  $\xi = x_i \mathfrak{a}_i + \sum_{j \in I \cap I'} x_j \mathfrak{a}_j$  and  $\xi = y_k \mathfrak{a}_k + \sum_{j \in I \cap I'} y_j \mathfrak{a}_j$  where  $\{k\} = I' \setminus (I \cap I')$ . Then  $y_k < 0$  because  $I'^- \not\subset I$  by the preceding lemma. On the other hand,  $x_i$  and  $y_k$  have different signs because  $\mathfrak{a}_i$  and  $\mathfrak{a}_k$  lie on different sides of the linear hyperplane spanned by the vectors  $\mathfrak{a}_j$  with  $j \in I \cap I'$ . We see  $x_i > 0$  and  $i \notin I^-$ .

Conclusion:  $I^- \subset J$ .

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**Proposition 2** The elements  $c_I$  ( $I \in T^n$ ) generate  $\mathcal{R}_{A,T}$  as a  $\mathbb{Z}[D^{-1}]$ -module.

**proof:**  $\mathcal{R}_{A,\mathcal{T}}$  is linearly generated by monomials in  $c_1, \ldots, c_N$ . For one  $I_0 \in \mathcal{T}^n$ we have  $I_0^- = \emptyset$ , hence  $c_{I_0} = 1$ . Therefore we only need to show that for every j and every  $I_1$  the product  $c_j \cdot c_{I_1}$  can be written as a linear combination of  $c_I$ 's. If  $j \in I_1$  one can use the linear relations (13) to express every  $c_i$  with  $i \in I_1$  as a  $\mathbb{Z}[D^{-1}]$ -linear combination of  $c_k$ 's with  $k \notin I_1$ . Since this works for  $c_i$  in particular, the problem can be reduced to showing that a monomial of the form  $\prod_{i \in J} c_i$  with J a simplex of the triangulation, can be written as a linear combination of  $c_I$ 's. Given such a J take  $I_J \in T^n$  such that  $I_J^- \subset J \subset I_J$ ; see lemma 2. If  $J = I_J^-$ , then  $\prod_{i \in J} c_i = c_{I_J}$  and we are done. If  $J \neq I_J^$ take  $m \in J \setminus I_I^-$  and use the linear relations (13) to rewrite  $c_m$  as a  $\mathbb{Z}[D^{-1}]$ linear combination of  $c_k$ 's with  $k \notin I_J$ . This leads to an expression for  $\prod_{i \in J} c_i$ as a  $\mathbb{Z}[D^{-1}]$ -linear combination of monomials of the form  $\prod_{i \in K} c_i$  with K a simplex of the triangulation and  $I_J^- \subsetneq K$ . Given such a K take  $I_K \in \mathcal{T}^n$  such that  $I_K^- \subset K \subset I_K$ . Then, according to lemma 1,  $I_J < I_K$ . We proceed by induction.  $\boxtimes$ 

Next we follow Danilov's arguments in [5] remark 3.8 to prove

$$\sum_{k \ge 0} \left( \dim_{\mathbb{Q}} \mathcal{R}_{\mathsf{A},\mathcal{T}}^{(k)} \otimes \mathbb{Q} \right) \tau^{k} = \sum_{m=0}^{n} \sharp \left( \mathcal{T}^{m} \right) \tau^{m} (1-\tau)^{n-m}$$
(32)

We have added a few references of which [20] is most relevant because it deals with a triangulation of a polytope, while [5] deals with a triangulation of a sphere. In [22, 20] the Stanley-Reisner ring  $\mathbb{Q}[\mathcal{T}]$  of the simplicial complex  $\mathcal{T}$ over the field  $\mathbb{Q}$  is defined as the quotient of the polynomial ring  $\mathbb{Q}[C_1, \ldots, C_N]$ modulo the ideal generated by the monomials (14).  $\mathbb{Q}[\mathcal{T}]$  is a Cohen-Macaulay ring of Krull dimension n; see [20] thm.2.2 and [22] thm 1.3. By definition 2 there is a natural homomorphism  $\mathbb{Q}[\mathcal{T}] \to \mathcal{R}_{\mathsf{A},\mathcal{T}} \otimes \mathbb{Q}$  with kernel generated by the n elements  $\alpha_i := a_{i1}C_1 + a_{i2}C_2 + \ldots + a_{iN}C_N$ . By proposition 2 the ring  $\mathcal{R}_{\mathsf{A},\mathcal{T}} \otimes \mathbb{Q}$  is a finite dimensional  $\mathbb{Q}$ -vector space and hence has Krull dimension 0. It also follows from proposition 2 that  $\mathcal{R}_{\mathsf{A},\mathcal{T}} \otimes \mathbb{Q}$  and  $\mathbb{Q}[\mathcal{T}]$  are local rings. We can now apply [19] thm.16.B and see that  $\alpha_1, \ldots, \alpha_n$  is a regular sequence. As pointed out in [5] remark 3.8b this implies that the Poincaré series of  $\mathcal{R}_{\mathsf{A},\mathcal{T}} \otimes \mathbb{Q}$  is equal to  $(1-\lambda)^n$  times the Poincaré series of  $\mathbb{Q}[\mathcal{T}]$ . The latter is  $\sum_{m=0}^n \sharp(\mathcal{T}^m) \lambda^m (1-\lambda)^{-m}$  by [22] thm. 1.4 (where it is called Hilbert series). Formula (32) follows.

We see that  $\dim_{\mathbb{Q}} \mathcal{R}_{\mathsf{A},\mathcal{T}} \otimes \mathbb{Q} = \sharp T^n$  and hence that the elements  $c_I \ (I \in T^n)$ are linearly independent over  $\mathbb{Q}$ . This completes the proof of theorem 3

Corollary 1 If  $\mathcal{T}$  is unimodular, then

- (i).  $\mathcal{R}_{A,\mathcal{T}}$  is a free  $\mathbb{Z}$ -module with rank equal to vol  $\Delta$ .
- (ii).  $\Delta \cap \mathbb{Z}^n = \mathcal{T}^1 = \{\mathfrak{a}_1, \dots, \mathfrak{a}_N\}$

(iii). there is an isomorphism  $\mathcal{R}^{(1)}_{\mathbf{A},\mathcal{T}} \xrightarrow{\sim} \mathbb{L}^{\vee}_{\mathbb{Z}}$  such that  $c_j \leftrightarrow \mathfrak{b}_j$   $(j = 1, \ldots, N)$ 

**proof:** (i) immediately follows from theorem 3.

(ii) Assume that there is a lattice point in  $\Delta$  which is not a vertex of  $\mathcal{T}$ . This point lies in some maximal simplex and gives rise to a decomposition of this simplex into at least two integral simplices. This contradicts the assumption. (iii) Because of (ii) all monomials in (14) have degree  $\geq 2$ . Consequently,  $\mathcal{R}_{A,\mathcal{T}}^{(1)}$  is just the quotient of  $\mathbb{Z} C_1 \oplus \ldots \oplus \mathbb{Z} C_N$  modulo the span of the linear forms in (13). This quotient is  $\mathbb{L}_{\mathbb{Z}}^{\vee}$ .

## **3** A domain of definition for the function $\Psi_{\mathcal{T},\beta}$ .

We first investigate for which  $\lambda$ 's one possibly has  $Q_{\lambda}(\mathsf{c}) \neq 0$  in  $\mathcal{R}_{\mathsf{A},\mathcal{T}} \otimes \mathbb{Q}$ .

For  $I \in \mathcal{T}^n$  let  $A_I$  denote the  $n \times n$ -submatrix of A with columns  $\mathfrak{a}_i$   $(i \in I)$ . By  $\mathfrak{p}_I$  we denote the  $N \times N$ -matrix whose entries with row index not in I are all 0 and whose  $n \times N$ -submatrix of entries with row index in I is  $A_I^{-1}A$ . This  $\mathfrak{p}_I$  is an idempotent linear operator on  $\mathbb{R}^N$ . Now define:

$$\mathfrak{P}_{\mathcal{T}} := \operatorname{conv} \left\{ \mathsf{p}_{I} \mid I \in \mathcal{T}^{n} \right\} \quad \text{in} \quad \operatorname{Mat}_{N \times N}(\mathbb{R}) \,. \tag{33}$$

The image of the idempotent operator  $1 - p_I$  is  $\mathbb{L}_{\mathbb{R}}$ . Therefore all elements of  $1 - \mathfrak{P}_T = \operatorname{conv} \{1 - p_I \mid I \in T^n\}$  are idempotent operators on  $\mathbb{R}^N$  with image  $\mathbb{L}_{\mathbb{R}}$ . Hence all elements of  $\mathfrak{P}_T$  are also idempotent operators on  $\mathbb{R}^N$ .

For every  $\lambda \in \mathbb{Z}^N$  one has the polytope  $\mathfrak{P}_T(\lambda)$  which is the convex hull of  $\{\mathfrak{p}_I(\lambda) \mid I \in \mathcal{T}^n\}$  in  $\mathbb{R}^N$ . This obviously depends only on  $\lambda \mod \mathbb{L}$ .

**Lemma 3** If  $\lambda \in \mathbb{Z}^N$  is such that  $Q_{\lambda}(\mathsf{c}) \neq 0$  in  $\mathcal{R}_{\mathsf{A},\mathcal{T}} \otimes \mathbb{Q}$ , then  $\lambda$  lies in the set  $\mathfrak{P}_{\mathcal{T}}(\lambda) + \mathcal{C}_{\mathcal{T}}^{\vee}$ . Here  $\mathcal{C}_{\mathcal{T}}^{\vee}$  is the dual of the cone  $\mathcal{C}_{\mathcal{T}}$  defined in (27):

$$\mathcal{C}_{\mathcal{T}}^{\vee} := \left\{ \ell \in \mathbb{L}_{\mathbb{R}} \mid \omega \cdot \ell \ge 0 \text{ for all } \omega \in \mathcal{C}_{\mathcal{T}} \right\}.$$
(34)

**proof:** If  $Q_{\lambda}(c) \neq 0$  then  $\{i \mid \lambda_i < 0\}$  is contained in some maximal simplex I of  $\mathcal{T}$ . Let  $\ell = (1 - \mathsf{p}_I)(\lambda)$ . Then  $\ell = (\ell_1, \ldots, \ell_N) \in \mathbb{L}_{\mathbb{R}}$  and  $\mathfrak{b}_j \cdot \ell = \ell_j = \lambda_j \ge 0$ for all  $j \in I^*$ . This shows  $(1 - p_I)(\lambda) \in \mathcal{C}_{I^*}^{\vee} \subset \mathcal{C}_{\mathcal{T}}^{\vee}$ .  $\square$ 

**Lemma 4** The coefficients in the power series expansion

$$\frac{\prod_{\lambda_j<0}\prod_{k=0}^{-\lambda_j-1}(k+x_j)}{\prod_{\lambda_j>0}\prod_{k=1}^{\lambda_j}(k-x_j)} = \sum_{m_1,\dots,m_N\ge 0} K_{m_1,\dots,m_N} x_1^{m_1} \cdot \dots \cdot x_N^{m_N}$$
(35)

satisfy

$$0 \le K_{m_1,...,m_N} \le N^{\|\lambda\|} \cdot 2^{\|m\|+N} \cdot N! \cdot (\max(1, N - \deg \lambda))!$$
 (36)

with  $\| m \| := \sum_{i=1}^{N} m_i$  and  $\| \lambda \| := \sum_{i=1}^{N} |\lambda_i|$  and  $\deg \lambda := \sum_{i=1}^{N} \lambda_i = \mathfrak{a}_0^{\vee} \cdot \beta$ .

**proof:** Clearly  $K_{m_1,\ldots,m_N} \ge 0$ . Clearly also  $2^{-\|m\|} K_{m_1,\ldots,m_N}$  is less than the value of the left hand side at  $x_1 = \ldots = x_N = \frac{1}{2}$ . Therefore

$$K_{m_1,\dots,m_N} < 2^{\|m\|+S} \cdot \frac{\prod_{\lambda_j < 0} (-\lambda_j)!}{\prod_{\lambda_j > 0} (\lambda_j - 1)!} \le 2^{\|m\|+S} \cdot \frac{P!}{(R-S)!} \cdot S^{R-S}$$

where  $P = -\sum_{\lambda_i < 0} \lambda_i$  and  $R = \sum_{\lambda_i > 0} \lambda_i$  and  $S = \sharp\{i \mid \lambda_i > 0\}$ . If  $P \le R - S$  then  $\frac{P!}{(R-S)!} \le 1$ . If P > R - S then  $\frac{P!}{(R-S)!} \le 2^P \cdot (P - R + S)!$ . Combining these estimates one arrives at (36).  $\boxtimes$ 

The sum of the series  $\sum_{\lambda \in \mathcal{A}^{-1}(\beta)} Q_{\lambda}(\mathsf{c}) \mathsf{e}^{2\pi \mathsf{i} \, \mathsf{z} \cdot \lambda}$  in formula (20) should be computed as a limit for  $L \to \infty$  of partial sums  $\Sigma_L$  taking only terms with  $\|\lambda\| \leq L$ . These sums only involve  $\lambda$ 's with  $Q_{\lambda}(\mathsf{c}) \neq 0$ . According to lemma 3 such a  $\lambda$  is of the form  $\lambda = \tilde{\lambda} + \ell$  with  $\ell \in \mathcal{C}_{\mathcal{T}}^{\vee}$  and with  $\tilde{\lambda}$  contained in a compact polytope which only depends on  $\beta$ . Therefore  $\|\lambda\| \leq \|\ell\| +$ some constant which only depends on  $\beta$ . Since

$$Q_{\lambda}(\mathsf{c}) = (-1)^{\sharp\{i \mid \lambda_i < 0\}} \sum_{m_1, \dots, m_N \ge 0, \, \|m\| \le n} (-1)^{\|m\|} K_{m_1, \dots, m_N} c_1^{m_1} \cdot \dots \cdot c_N^{m_N}$$

lemma 4 shows that the coordinates of  $Q_{\lambda}(c)$  with respect to a basis of the vector space  $\mathcal{R}_{\mathsf{A},\mathcal{T}} \otimes \mathbb{Q}$  are less than  $N^{\|\ell\|}$  times some constant which only depends on  $\beta$ . Thus one sees that the limit of the partial sums exists if the imaginary part  $\Im z$  of z satisfies

$$\Im \mathbf{z} \cdot \ell > \frac{\log N}{2\pi} \parallel \ell \parallel \quad \text{for all } \ell \in \mathcal{C}_T^{\vee}$$
 (37)

Let  $p: \mathbb{R}^{N\vee} \to \mathbb{L}_{\mathbb{R}}^{\vee}$  denote the canonical projection. If  $b \in \mathbb{L}_{\mathbb{R}}^{\vee}$  is any vector which satisfies

$$b \cdot \ell > \frac{\log N}{2\pi} \parallel \ell \parallel \quad \text{for all } \ell \in \mathcal{C}_{\mathcal{I}}^{\vee},$$
(38)

then  $b \in \mathcal{C}_{\mathcal{T}}$  and every z with the property  $p(\Im z) \in b + \mathcal{C}_{\mathcal{T}}$  satisfies (37). Let us therefore define

$$\mathcal{B}_{\mathcal{T}} := \bigcup_{b \text{ s.t. } (38)} (b + \mathcal{C}_{\mathcal{T}})$$
(39)

The above discussion proves:

**Theorem 4** Formula (20):

$$\Psi_{\mathcal{T},\beta}(\mathsf{z}) \ := \ \sum_{\lambda \in \mathcal{A}^{-1}(\beta)} \ Q_{\lambda}(\mathsf{c}) \mathsf{e}^{2\pi \mathsf{i} \, \mathsf{z} \cdot \lambda} \cdot \mathsf{e}^{2\pi \mathsf{i} \, \mathsf{z} \cdot \mathsf{c}}$$

defines a function with values in  $\mathcal{R}_{A.T} \otimes \mathbb{C}$  on the domain

$$\mathcal{V}_{\mathcal{T}} := \left\{ \mathbf{z} \in \mathbb{C}^{N \vee} \mid p(\Im \, \mathbf{z}) \in \mathcal{B}_{\mathcal{T}} \right\}.$$

$$(40)$$

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In order to have a more global geometric picture of where the domain of definition of the function  $\Psi_{\mathcal{T},\beta}$  is situated we give a brief description of the toric variety associated with the pointed secondary fan.

The pointed secondary fan is a complete fan of strongly convex polyhedral cones which are generated by vectors from the lattice  $\mathbb{L}_{\mathbb{Z}}^{\vee}$ . By the general theory of toric varieties [10, 21] this lattice-fan pair gives rise to a toric variety. In the case of  $\mathbb{L}^{\vee}_{\mathbb{Z}}$  and the pointed secondary fan the general construction reads as follows.

For each regular triangulation  $\mathcal{T}$  one has the cone  $\mathcal{C}_{\mathcal{T}}$  in the secondary fan and one considers the monoid ring  $\mathbb{Z}[\mathbb{L}_{\mathcal{T}}]$  of the sub-monoid  $\mathbb{L}_{\mathcal{T}}$  of  $\mathbb{L}$ :

$$\mathbb{L}_{\mathcal{T}} := \mathbb{L} \cap \mathcal{C}_{\mathcal{T}}^{\vee} = \left\{ \ell \in \mathbb{L} \mid \omega \cdot \ell \ge 0 \quad \text{for all } \omega \in \mathcal{C}_{\mathcal{T}} \right\}.$$
(41)

The affine schemes  $\mathcal{U}_{\mathcal{T}} := \text{spec } \mathbb{Z}[\mathbb{L}_{\mathcal{T}}]$  for the various triangulations naturally glue together to form the toric variety for the pointed secondary fan.

A complex point of  $\mathcal{U}_{\mathcal{T}}$  is just a homomorphism from the additive monoid  $\mathbb{L}_{\mathcal{T}}$  to the multiplicative monoid  $\mathbb{C}$ . There is a special point in  $\mathcal{U}_{\mathcal{T}}$ , namely the homomorphism sending  $0 \in \mathbb{L}_{\mathcal{T}}$  to 1 and all other elements of  $\mathbb{L}_{\mathcal{T}}$  to 0. A disc of radius r, 0 < r < 1, about this special point consists of homomorphisms 
$$\begin{split} \mathbb{L}_{\mathcal{T}} & \to \mathbb{C} \text{ with image contained in the disc of radius } r \text{ in } \mathbb{C} \text{ .} \\ & \text{A vector } \mathbf{z} \in \mathbb{C}^{N \vee} \text{ defines the homomorphism} \end{split}$$

$$\mathbb{L} \to \mathbb{C}^*, \ \ell \mapsto e^{2\pi i \mathbf{z} \cdot \ell}$$

and hence a point of the toric variety. The point lies in the disc of radius r < 1 about the special point corresponding to a regular triangulation  $\mathcal{T}$  iff  $\Im \mathbf{z} \cdot \ell > -\frac{\log r}{2\pi}$  holds for every  $\ell \in \mathbb{L}_T$ . It suffices of course to require this only for a set of generators of  $\mathbb{L}_T$ . If b is in  $C_{\mathcal{T}}$  and K is such that  $K > b \cdot \ell$  for all  $\ell$  from a set of generators of  $\mathbb{L}_{\mathcal{T}}$ , then the set  $\{ \mathbf{z} \in \mathbb{C}^{N \vee} \mid p(\Im \mathbf{z}) \in b + C_{\mathcal{T}} \}$  contains the intersection of the disc of radius  $\exp(-2\pi K)$  with the torus  $\operatorname{Hom}(\mathbb{L}, \mathbb{C}^*)$ .

This shows that the domain of definition of the function  $\Psi_{\mathcal{T},\beta}$  is situated about the special point associated with  $\mathcal{T}$  in the toric variety of the pointed secondary fan.

### 4 The special case $\beta = 0$

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The function  $\Psi_{\mathcal{T},0}$  is invariant under the action of  $\mathbb{M}_{\mathbb{C}}^{\vee}$ ; see (22). So it is in fact a function on the domain  $\mathbb{L}_{\mathbb{R}}^{\vee} + \sqrt{-1}\mathcal{B}_{\mathcal{T}}$  in  $\mathbb{L}_{\mathbb{C}}^{\vee}$ . For  $F \in \operatorname{Hom}(\mathcal{R}_{\mathsf{A},\mathcal{T}},\mathbb{C})$  we have the  $\mathbb{C}$ -valued function  $F\Psi_{\mathcal{T},0}$  on  $\mathbb{L}_{\mathbb{R}}^{\vee} + \sqrt{-1}\mathcal{B}_{\mathcal{T}}$ .

**Lemma 5** If  $F\Psi_{\mathcal{T},0}$  is the 0-function on  $\mathbb{L}_{\mathbb{R}}^{\vee} + \sqrt{-1}\mathcal{B}_{\mathcal{T}}$  then F = 0.

**proof:** By lemma 3 the series  $\Psi_{\mathcal{T},0}$  involves only  $\lambda$ 's in  $\mathbb{L} \cap \mathcal{C}_{\mathcal{T}}^{\vee}$  and  $\lambda = 0$  is really present with  $Q_0(\mathbf{c}) = 1$ . Moreover  $\mathcal{B}_{\mathcal{T}}$  is contained in the interior of  $\mathcal{C}_{\mathcal{T}}$ . Therefore, if  $F\Psi_{\mathcal{T},0} = 0$ , then the polynomial function

$$\sum_{n_1,\dots,m_N \ge 0} \frac{(2\pi i)^{m_1 + \dots + m_N}}{m_1! \cdot \dots \cdot m_N!} \cdot F(c_1^{m_1} \cdot \dots \cdot c_N^{m_N}) \cdot z_1^{m_1} \cdot \dots \cdot z_N^{m_N}$$

is bounded on an unbounded open domain in  $\mathbb{C}^N$ . So, this is the zero polynomial. Therefore  $F(c_1^{m_1} \cdot \ldots \cdot c_N^{m_N}) = 0$  for all  $m_1, \ldots, m_N \ge 0$ .

**Theorem 5** If  $\beta = 0$  and T is unimodular, then there is an isomorphism:

 $\operatorname{Hom}(\mathcal{R}_{\mathsf{A},\mathcal{T}},\mathbb{C})\xrightarrow{\sim} solution \ space \ of \ (3)-(4) \ , \quad F\mapsto F\Phi_{\mathcal{T},0} \ .$ 

**proof:** Lemma 5 shows that the map is injective. From corollary 1 we know dim Hom( $\mathcal{R}_{A,\mathcal{T}}$ ,  $\mathbb{C}$ ) = vol  $\Delta$ . Since the triangulation  $\mathcal{T}$  is unimodular, the proof of [24] prop.13.15 shows that the normality condition for the correction in [12] to [11] thm. 5 is satisfied. Therefore the number of linearly independent solutions of the GKZ system (3)-(4) at a generic point equals vol  $\Delta$ .

### 5 Triangulations with non-empty core

The intersection of all maximal simplices in a regular triangulation  $\mathcal{T}$  of  $\Delta$  is a remarkable structure. We call it the core of  $\mathcal{T}$ . It is a simplex in the triangulation  $\mathcal{T}$ . Since we identify simplices with their index sets, we view core  $\mathcal{T}$  also as a subset of  $\{1, \ldots, N\}$ .

**Definition 3** core  $\mathcal{T} := \bigcap_{I \in \mathcal{T}^n} I$ 

#### **Lemma 6** A simplex which does not contain core $\mathcal{T}$ lies in the boundary of $\Delta$ .

**proof:** It suffices to prove this for simplices of the form  $I \setminus \{j\}$  with  $I \in \mathcal{T}^n$ and  $j \in \operatorname{core} \mathcal{T}$ . Since every maximal simplex contains j, I is the only maximal simplex which contains  $I \setminus \{j\}$ . Therefore  $I \setminus \{j\}$  lies in the boundary of  $\Delta$ .

**Lemma 7** core  $\mathcal{T} = \{j \mid \ell_j \leq 0 \text{ for all } \ell \in \mathcal{C}_{\mathcal{T}}^{\vee}\}$ 

**proof:**  $\supset$ : assume  $j \notin \operatorname{core} \mathcal{T}$ , say  $j \notin I$  for some  $I \in \mathcal{T}^n$ . Then there is a relation  $\mathfrak{a}_j - \sum_{i \in I} x_i \mathfrak{a}_i = 0$ ; whence an  $\ell \in \mathbb{L}$  with  $\ell_j > 0$  and  $\{i \mid \ell_i < 0\} \subset I$ . As in the proof of lemma 3 this implies  $\ell \in C_T^{\vee}$ .

 $\subset$ : assume  $j \in \operatorname{core} \mathcal{T}$ . First consider an  $\ell \in \mathbb{L}_{\mathbb{R}}$  such that  $\{i \mid \ell_i < 0\}$  is a simplex. Let  $L = \sum_{\ell_i > 0} \ell_i = \sum_{\ell_i < 0} -\ell_i$ . The relation in (5) can be rewritten as

$$\sum_{\ell_i > 0} \frac{\ell_i}{L} \mathfrak{a}_i = \sum_{\ell_i < 0} \frac{-\ell_i}{L} \mathfrak{a}_i \tag{42}$$

Suppose  $\ell_j > 0$ . Then the simplex  $\{i \mid \ell_i < 0\}$  lies in a boundary face of  $\Delta$ . Take a linear functional F whose restriction to  $\Delta$  attains its maximum exactly on this face. Evaluate F on both sides of (42). The value on the right hand side is max F, but on the left hand side it is  $< \max F$ , because  $F(\mathfrak{a}_j) < \max F$ and  $\ell_j > 0$ . Contradiction! Therefore we conclude:  $\ell_j \leq 0$  if  $\ell$  is such that  $\{i \mid \ell_i < 0\}$  is a simplex. From the constructions in section 1.2 one sees that  $\{i \mid \ell_i < 0\}$  is a simplex if and only if  $\ell \in C_{I^*}^{\vee}$  for some  $I \in \mathcal{T}^n$ ; note:  $\ell_j = \mathfrak{b}_j \cdot \ell$ . Since  $\mathcal{C}_T^{\vee}$  is the Minkowski sum of the cones  $\mathcal{C}_{I^*}^{\vee}$  with  $I \in \mathcal{T}^n$  we finally get:  $\ell_j \leq 0$  for every  $\ell \in \mathcal{C}_T^{\vee}$ .

#### Definition 4

$$c_{\text{core}} := \prod_{i \in \text{core } \mathcal{T}} c_i \tag{43}$$

**Corollary 2** If  $\lambda$  is such that  $A\lambda = \sum_{i \in \operatorname{core} \mathcal{T}} m_i \mathfrak{a}_i$  with all  $m_i < 0$  then  $\lambda_i < 0$  for every  $i \in \operatorname{core} \mathcal{T}$  and hence

$$Q_{\lambda}(\mathsf{c}) \in c_{\operatorname{core}} \mathcal{R}_{\mathsf{A},\mathcal{T}}$$

**proof:** Let  $\mu = (\mu_1, \ldots, \mu_N)$  be defined by  $\mu_i = m_i$  for  $i \in \operatorname{core} \mathcal{T}$  and  $\mu_i = 0$  for  $i \notin \operatorname{core} \mathcal{T}$ . Then  $\mathfrak{P}_{\mathcal{T}}(\lambda) = \mathfrak{P}_{\mathcal{T}}(\mu)$  in lemma 3. From the definitions one sees immediately that  $\mathfrak{P}_{\mathcal{T}}(\mu) = \{\mu\}$ . The result now follows from lemmas 3 and 7.

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**Corollary 3** If core  $\mathcal{T}$  is not empty and  $\beta = \sum_{i \in \operatorname{core} \mathcal{T}} m_i \mathfrak{a}_i$  with all  $m_i < 0$  then the function  $\Psi_{\mathcal{T},\beta}$  takes values in the ideal  $c_{\operatorname{core}} \mathcal{R}_{\mathsf{A},\mathcal{T}} \otimes \mathbb{C}$ .

**Theorem 6** If core  $\mathcal{T}$  is not empty and  $\beta = \sum_{i \in \text{core } \mathcal{T}} m_i \mathfrak{a}_i$  with all  $m_i < 0$  then the linear map

$$\operatorname{Hom}(c_{\operatorname{core}} \mathcal{R}_{\mathsf{A},\mathcal{T}}, \mathbb{C}) \longrightarrow solution \ space \ of \ (3)-(4) \ , \quad F \mapsto F \Phi_{\mathcal{T},\beta}$$

is injective.

**proof:** From lemma 3 and the proof of corollary 2 one sees that the series  $\Psi_{\mathcal{T},\beta}$  involves only  $\lambda$ 's in  $\mu + (\mathbb{L} \cap \mathcal{C}_{\mathcal{T}}^{\vee})$  and that  $\lambda = \mu$  is really present:

$$Q_{\mu}(\mathsf{c}) = c_{\text{core}} \cdot U$$
 with  $U := \prod_{i \in \text{core } \mathcal{T}} \prod_{k=1}^{-m_i - 1} (c_i - k)$ 

The rest of the proof is analogous to the proof of lemma 5. In particular, if  $F\Psi_{\mathcal{T},\beta}$  is the 0-function on  $\mathcal{V}_{\mathcal{T}}$ , then  $F(c_{\text{core}} \cdot U \cdot c_1^{n_1} \cdot \ldots \cdot c_N^{n_N}) = 0$  for all  $n_1, \ldots, n_N \geq 0$ . The desired result now follows because U is invertible in the ring  $\mathcal{R}_{\mathsf{A},\mathcal{T}} \otimes \mathbb{Q}$ .

#### PART II

### Introduction II

One aspect of the mirror symmetry phenomenon (cf. [25, 15]) is that (generalized) Calabi-Yau manifolds seem to come in pairs (X, Y) with the geometries of X and Y related in a beautifully intricate way. On one side of the mirror usually called *the B-side* - it is the geometry of complex structure, of periods of a holomorphic differential form, of variations of Hodge structure. On the other side - *the A-side* - it is the geometry of symplectic structure, of algebraic cycles and of enumerative questions about curves on the manifold.

Batyrev [1] showed that behind many examples of the mirror symmetry phenomenon one can see a simple combinatorial duality. Batyrev and Borisov gave a generalization of this combinatorial duality and formulated a *mirror symme*try conjecture for generalized Calabi-Yau manifolds in arbitrary dimension ([3] 2.17). The fundamental combinatorial structure is a reflexive Gorenstein cone.

**Definition 5** ([3] definitions 2.1-2.8.) A cone  $\Lambda$  in  $\mathbb{R}^n$  is called a Gorenstein cone if it is generated, *i.e.* 

$$\Lambda = \mathbb{R}_{\geq 0} \mathfrak{a}_1 + \ldots + \mathbb{R}_{\geq 0} \mathfrak{a}_N \,, \tag{44}$$

by a finite set  $\{\mathfrak{a}_1, \ldots, \mathfrak{a}_N\} \subset \mathbb{Z}^n$  which satisfies condition 1. It is called a reflexive Gorenstein cone if both  $\Lambda$  and its dual  $\Lambda^{\vee}$  are Gorenstein cones,

$$\Lambda^{\vee} := \left\{ \mathbf{y} \in \mathbb{R}^{n \vee} \, | \, \forall \mathbf{x} \in \Lambda \, : \, \mathbf{y} \cdot \mathbf{x} \ge 0 \, \right\},\tag{45}$$

*i.e.* there should also exist a vector  $\mathbf{a}_0 \in \mathbb{Z}^n$  and a set  $\{\mathbf{a}_1^{\vee}, \ldots, \mathbf{a}_{N'}^{\vee}\} \subset \mathbb{Z}^{n^{\vee}}$  of generators for  $\Lambda^{\vee}$  such that  $\mathbf{a}_i^{\vee} \cdot \mathbf{a}_0 = 1$  for  $i = 1, \ldots, N'$ . The vectors  $\mathbf{a}_0^{\vee}$  and  $\mathbf{a}_0$  are uniquely determined by  $\Lambda$ . The integer  $\mathbf{a}_0^{\vee} \cdot \mathbf{a}_0$  is called the index of  $\Lambda$ .

For a reflexive Gorenstein cone one has one new datum in addition to the data for GKZ systems; namely  $a_0$ . It has the very important property

$$\operatorname{interior}(\Lambda) \cap \mathbb{Z}^n = \mathfrak{a}_0 + \Lambda.$$
(46)

Our aim is to show that in the case of a mirror pair (X, Y) associated with a reflexive Gorenstein cone  $\Lambda$  and a unimodular regular triangulation  $\mathcal{T}$  whose core is not empty and is not contained in the boundary of  $\Delta$ , the periods of a holomorphic differential form on X are given by the function  $\Phi_{\mathcal{T},-\mathfrak{a}_0}$  which takes values in the ring  $\mathcal{R}_{A,\mathcal{T}}/\operatorname{Ann} c_{\operatorname{core}} \otimes \mathbb{C}$  and that the ring  $\mathcal{R}_{A,\mathcal{T}}/\operatorname{Ann} c_{\operatorname{core}}$ is isomorphic with a subring of the Chow ring of Y.

This project naturally has a B-side and an A-side which we develop separately in Part II B and Part II A. Our method puts some natural restrictions on the generality. For Part II B we must eventually assume that there is a unimodular triangulation  $\mathcal{T}$  of the polytope

$$\Delta := \operatorname{conv} \{\mathfrak{a}_1, \dots, \mathfrak{a}_N\} = \{ \mathsf{x} \in \Lambda \mid \mathfrak{a}_0^{\vee} \cdot \mathsf{x} = 1 \}.$$
(47)

This restriction which comes from the use of theorem 5, also implies

$$\mathfrak{a}_0 \in \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0}\mathfrak{a}_1 + \ldots + \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0}\mathfrak{a}_N \,. \tag{48}$$

So,  $\Phi_{\mathcal{T},-\mathfrak{a}_0}$  is defined in Part I. For Part II A we must additionally assume that the core of  $\mathcal{T}$  is not empty and is not contained in the boundary of  $\Delta$ .

#### PART II B

### Introduction II B

For a Gorenstein cone  $\Lambda$  we denote the monoid algebra  $\mathbb{C}[\Lambda \cap \mathbb{Z}^n]$  by  $\mathcal{S}_{\Lambda}$  and view it as a subalgebra of the algebra  $\mathbb{C}[u_1^{\pm 1}, \ldots, u_n^{\pm 1}]$  by identifying  $\mathsf{m} = (m_1, \ldots, m_n)^t \in \Lambda \cap \mathbb{Z}^n$  with the Laurent monomial  $\mathsf{u}^{\mathsf{m}} := u_1^{m_1} \cdot \ldots \cdot u_n^{m_n}$ . For  $\mathsf{m} \in \mathbb{Z}^n$  we put deg  $\mathsf{u}^{\mathsf{m}} := \deg \mathsf{m} := \mathfrak{a}_0^{\vee} \cdot \mathsf{m}$ . Thus  $\mathcal{S}_{\Lambda}$  becomes a graded ring. The scheme  $\mathbb{P}_{\Lambda} := \operatorname{Proj} \mathcal{S}_{\Lambda}$  is a projective toric variety. If  $\Lambda$  is a reflexive Gorenstein cone, the zero set in  $\mathbb{P}_{\Lambda}$  of a global section of  $\mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}_{\Lambda}}(1)$  is called a generalized Calabi-Yau manifold of dimension n - 2 ([3] 2.15).

The toric variety  $\mathbb{P}_{\Lambda}$  is a compactification of the n-1-dimensional torus

$$\mathbb{T} := \mathbb{T}/(\mathbb{Z}\mathfrak{a}_0^{\vee} \otimes \mathbb{C}^*) \tag{49}$$

where

$$\widetilde{\mathbb{T}} := \operatorname{Hom}(\mathbb{Z}^n, \mathbb{C}^*) = \mathbb{Z}^{n \vee} \otimes \mathbb{C}^*$$
(50)

is the *n*-dimensional torus of  $\mathbb{C}$ -points of Spec  $\mathbb{C}[u_1^{\pm 1}, \ldots, u_n^{\pm 1}]$ . A global section of  $\mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}_{\Lambda}}(1)$  is given by a Laurent polynomial

$$\mathbf{s} = \sum_{\mathbf{m} \in \Delta \cap \mathbb{Z}^n} v_{\mathbf{m}} \mathbf{u}^{\mathbf{m}} \,. \tag{51}$$

with  $\Delta$  as in (47). As in [2] we assume from now on

Condition 2  $\{\mathfrak{a}_1,\ldots,\mathfrak{a}_N\}=\Delta\cap\mathbb{Z}^n$ 

The Laurent polynomial s gives a function on  $\widetilde{\mathbb{T}}$  which is homogeneous of degree 1 for the action of  $\mathbb{Z}\mathfrak{a}_0^{\vee} \otimes \mathbb{C}^*$ . Let

$$\mathsf{Z}_{\mathsf{s}} := \{ \text{ zero locus of } \mathsf{s} \} \subset \mathbb{T}$$

$$(52)$$

Over the complementary set  $\mathbb{T} \setminus Z_s$  there is a section of  $\widetilde{\mathbb{T}} \to \mathbb{T}$  which identifies  $\mathbb{T} \setminus Z_s$  with the zero set  $\widetilde{Z}_{s-1}$  of s-1 in  $\widetilde{\mathbb{T}}$ :

$$\mathbb{T} \setminus \mathsf{Z}_{\mathsf{s}} \simeq \widetilde{\mathsf{Z}}_{\mathsf{s}-1} \subset \widetilde{\mathbb{T}}$$
(53)

One may say that according to Batyrev [2] the geometry on the B-side of mirror symmetry is encoded in the weight n part  $W_n H^{n-1}(\mathbb{T} \setminus \mathsf{Z}_s)$  of the Variation of Mixed Hodge Structure of  $H^{n-1}(\mathbb{T} \setminus \mathsf{Z}_s)$ ; the variation comes from varying the coefficients  $v_{\mathfrak{m}}$  in (51).

**Remark 5** One usually formulates Mirror Symmetry with on the B-side the Variation of Hodge Structure on the *d*-th cohomology of a *d*-dimensional Calabi-Yau manifold. For a CY hypersurface in a toric variety the Poincaré residue mapping gives an isomorphism with the d + 1-st cohomology of the hypersurface complement, at least on the primitive parts (see [2] prop.5.3). For a CY complete intersection of codimension > 1 in a toric variety one needs besides the Poincaré residue mapping also corollary 3.4 and remark 3.5 in [3] to relate the CYCI's cohomology to the cohomology of the complement of a generalized Calabi-Yau hypersurface in a toric variety, i.e. to the situation we are studying in this paper. Our investigations do however also allow on this B-side of the mirror generalized Calabi-Yau hypersurfaces which are not related to CY complete intersections, although on the other A-side we do eventually want a Calabi-Yau complete intersection (see [3] §5 for an example of mirror symmetry with such an asymmetry between the two sides).

In [2] Batyrev described the weight and Hodge filtrations of this Variation of Mixed Hodge Structure (VMHS) in terms of the combinatorics of  $\Lambda$ . In

particular,  $\mathcal{W}_n H^{n-1}(\mathbb{T} \setminus \mathsf{Z}_{\mathsf{s}})$  corresponds with the ideal  $\mathbb{C}[\operatorname{interior}(\Lambda) \cap \mathbb{Z}^n]$  in  $\mathcal{S}_{\Lambda}$ . If  $\Lambda$  is a reflexive Gorenstein cone of index  $\kappa$ , this ideal is the principal ideal generated by  $\mathfrak{u}^{\mathfrak{a}_0}$  (cf. (46)) and the part of weight n and Hodge type  $(n - \kappa, \kappa)$  has dimension 1.

Batyrev [2] also showed that the periods of the rational (n-1)-form

$$\omega_{\mu} := \frac{\mathbf{u}^{\mu}}{\mathbf{s}^{\deg \mu}} \frac{dt_2}{t_2} \wedge \ldots \wedge \frac{dt_n}{t_n}$$
(54)

 $(\mu \in \Lambda \cap \mathbb{Z}^n, t_2, \ldots, t_n \text{ coordinates on } \mathbb{T})$  as functions of the coefficients  $v_m$  satisfy a GKZ system of differential equations (3)-(4) with parameters  $\{\mathbf{a}_1, \ldots, \mathbf{a}_N\}$  and  $\beta = -\mu$ . However, not all solutions of this system are  $\mathbb{C}$ -linear combinations of the periods of  $\omega_{\mu}$ . Theorem 10 shows precisely which solutions of this system are  $\mathbb{C}$ -linear combinations of the periods of  $\omega_{\mu}$  in case  $\mu \in \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0} \mathbf{a}_1 + \ldots + \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0} \mathbf{a}_N$ .

The key point of our method is to study the VMHS on  $H^n(\widetilde{\mathbb{T}} \operatorname{rel} \widetilde{\mathsf{Z}}_{\mathsf{s}-1})$ . This has the advantage that if  $\mathfrak{a}_1, \ldots, \mathfrak{a}_N$  generate  $\mathbb{Z}^n$ , then  $H^n(\widetilde{\mathbb{T}} \operatorname{rel} \widetilde{\mathsf{Z}}_{\mathsf{s}-1})$  is a hypergeometric  $\mathcal{D}$ -module as in [11] with parameters  $\{\mathfrak{a}_1, \ldots, \mathfrak{a}_N\}$  and  $\beta = 0$ ; see theorem 8.

If **s** is  $\Lambda$ -regular (cf. definition 6) there is an exact sequence of mixed Hodge structures

$$0 \to H^{n-1}(\widetilde{\mathbb{T}}) \to H^{n-1}(\widetilde{\mathsf{Z}}_{\mathsf{s}-1}) \to H^n(\widetilde{\mathbb{T}}\operatorname{rel}\widetilde{\mathsf{Z}}_{\mathsf{s}-1}) \to H^n(\widetilde{\mathbb{T}}) \to 0$$
(55)

The left hand 0 results from a theorem of Bernstein-Danilov-Khovanskii [8, 2]. On the right we used  $H^n(\tilde{Z}_{s-1}) = 0$  because  $\tilde{Z}_{s-1}$  is an affine variety of dimension n-1. Writing as usual  $\mathbb{Q}(m)$  for the 1-dimensional  $\mathbb{Q}$ -Hodge structure which is purely of weight -2m and Hodge type (-m, -m) one has

$$H^{n-1}(\widetilde{\mathbb{T}}) \simeq \mathbb{Q}^n \otimes \mathbb{Q}(1-n), \quad H^n(\widetilde{\mathbb{T}}) \simeq \mathbb{Q}(-n).$$
 (56)

Morphisms of mixed Hodge structures are strictly compatible with the weight filtrations ([6] thm. 2.3.5). Thus the sequence (55) in combination with (53) gives the isomorphisms

$$\mathcal{W}_{i}H^{n-1}(\mathbb{T}\setminus\mathsf{Z}_{\mathsf{s}})\xrightarrow{\simeq}\mathcal{W}_{i}H^{n-1}(\widetilde{\mathsf{Z}}_{\mathsf{s}-1})\xrightarrow{\simeq}\mathcal{W}_{i}H^{n}(\widetilde{\mathbb{T}}\operatorname{rel}\widetilde{\mathsf{Z}}_{\mathsf{s}-1})$$
(57)

for  $i \leq 2n-3$ . In particular if  $n \geq 3$ , the weight n part relevant for the geometry on the B-side of mirror symmetry will get a complete and simple description by our analysis of the GKZ hypergeometric  $\mathcal{D}$ -module  $H^n(\widetilde{\mathbb{T}} \operatorname{rel} \widetilde{\mathsf{Z}}_{\mathsf{s}-1})$ .

**Remark 6** Though it plays no role in this paper I want to point out that there is an interesting relation with recent work of Deninger [7]. The group Gof diagonal  $n \times n$ -matrices with entries  $\pm 1$  acts naturally on  $\widetilde{\mathbb{T}} = \text{Hom}(\mathbb{Z}^n, \mathbb{C}^*)$ . From the inclusion  $i: \widetilde{\mathsf{Z}}_{\mathsf{s}-1} \hookrightarrow \widetilde{\mathbb{T}}$  one gets the G-equivariant map  $G \times \widetilde{\mathsf{Z}}_{\mathsf{s}-1} \to \widetilde{\mathbb{T}}$ ,  $(g, z) \mapsto g \cdot i(z)$ . Corresponding to this map there is an exact sequence of mixed Hodge structures with *G*-action analogous to (55). Taking isotypical parts for the character det :  $G \to \{\pm 1\}$  and using  $H^{n-1}(\widetilde{\mathbb{T}})(\det) = 0$ ,  $H^n(\widetilde{\mathbb{T}})(\det) \xrightarrow{\simeq} H^n(\widetilde{\mathbb{T}})$  and  $H^{n-1}(G \times \widetilde{\mathsf{Z}}_{\mathsf{s}-1})(\det) \xrightarrow{\simeq} H^{n-1}(\widetilde{\mathsf{Z}}_{\mathsf{s}-1})$  one finds the short exact sequence

$$0 \to H^{n-1}(\widetilde{\mathsf{Z}}_{\mathsf{s}-1}) \to H^n(\widetilde{\mathbb{T}}\operatorname{rel}(G \times \widetilde{\mathsf{Z}}_{\mathsf{s}-1}))(\det) \to H^n(\widetilde{\mathbb{T}}) \to 0$$
(58)

see [7] (12). In [7] remark 2.4 Deninger sketches how the extension (58) comes from a Steinberg symbol in the group  $K_n(\tilde{Z}_{s-1})$  in the algebraic K-theory of  $\tilde{Z}_{s-1}$ ; in our coordinates (see remark 8) this Steinberg symbol reads

$$\{u_1, u_2, \dots, u_n\} \in K_n\left(\mathbb{C}[u_1^{\pm 1}, \dots, u_n^{\pm 1}]/(\mathsf{s}-1)\right)$$
 (59)

The exact sequence (55) decomposes into two short exact sequences

$$0 \to H^{n-1}(\widetilde{\mathbb{T}}) \to H^{n-1}(\widetilde{\mathsf{Z}}_{\mathsf{s}-1}) \to PH^{n-1}(\widetilde{\mathsf{Z}}_{\mathsf{s}-1}) \to 0 \tag{60}$$

$$0 \to PH^{n-1}(\widetilde{\mathsf{Z}}_{\mathsf{s}-1}) \to H^n(\widetilde{\mathbb{T}}\operatorname{rel}\widetilde{\mathsf{Z}}_{\mathsf{s}-1}) \to H^n(\widetilde{\mathbb{T}}) \to 0$$
(61)

which define the *primitive part* of cohomology ([2] def. 3.13). The relation between the various cohomology groups is best displayed in the following commutative diagram with injective horizontal and surjective vertical arrows:

With varying coefficients  $v_m$  the story plays in the category of Variations of Mixed Hodge Structures. With coefficients  $v_m$  fixed in some number field the story plays in a category of Mixed Motives. A challenge for further research is to combine these stories and our results on hypergeometric systems.

### 6 VMHS associated with a Gorenstein cone

In this section we prove theorem 8. This result is essentially implicitly contained in [2]. Our proof is mainly a review of constructions and results in [2].

Shifting emphasis from the polytope  $\Delta$  to the cone  $\Lambda$  we write  $\mathcal{S}_{\Lambda}$  (instead of  $S_{\Delta}$  as in [2]) for the monoid algebra  $\mathbb{C}[\Lambda \cap \mathbb{Z}^n]$  viewed as a subalgebra of  $\mathbb{C}[u_1^{\pm 1}, \ldots, u_n^{\pm 1}]$ . The grading is given by deg  $u^{\mathsf{m}} = \mathfrak{a}_0^{\vee} \cdot \mathsf{m}$  for  $\mathsf{m} \in \mathbb{Z}^n$ . A homogeneous element  $\mathsf{s}$  of degree 1 in  $\mathcal{S}_{\Lambda}$  is a Laurent polynomial as in (51):

$$\mathsf{s} = \sum_{i=1}^{N} v_i \, \mathsf{u}^{\mathfrak{a}_i} \tag{63}$$

with coefficients  $v_i \in \mathbb{C}$ . Let  $\widetilde{\mathbb{T}}$ ,  $\mathbb{T}$ ,  $\mathsf{Z}_{\mathsf{s}}$  and  $\widetilde{\mathsf{Z}}_{\mathsf{s}-1}$  be as in (49)-(53).

**Remark 7** When comparing with [2] one should keep in mind that in op.cit. n is the dimension of the polytope  $\Delta$  whereas here n is the dimension of the cone  $\Lambda$  and the polytope  $\Delta$  has dimension n - 1. Also one has to make the following change of coordinates on  $\mathbb{Z}^n$  and  $\mathbb{Z}^{n\vee}$ . The idempotent  $n \times n$ -matrix  $\mathfrak{a}_1 \cdot \mathfrak{a}_0^{\vee}$  gives rise to a direct sum decomposition  $\mathbb{Z}^{n\vee} = \mathbb{Z}\mathfrak{a}_0^{\vee} \oplus \Xi$  and thus to a basis  $\{\mathfrak{a}_0^{\vee}, \alpha_2, \ldots, \alpha_n\}$  for  $\mathbb{Z}^{n\vee}$ . The coordinate change on  $\mathbb{Z}^n$  amounts to multiplying vectors in  $\mathbb{Z}^n$  by the matrix  $M = (m_{ij})$  with rows  $\mathfrak{a}_0^{\vee}, \alpha_2, \ldots, \alpha_n$ . In particular, in the new coordinates  $\mathfrak{a}_1, \ldots, \mathfrak{a}_N$  all have first coordinate 1.

The above coordinate change also induces a change of coordinates on  $\widetilde{\mathbb{T}}$ :  $u_j = \prod_{i=1}^n t_i^{m_{ij}}$ . The map  $\widetilde{\mathbb{T}} \to \mathbb{T}$  is then just omitting the coordinate  $t_1$ . In *t*-coordinates **s** takes the form  $t_1 \cdot f$  where *f* is a Laurent polynomial in the variables  $t_2, \ldots, t_n$ . Thus **s** corresponds with  $F_0$  and  $\mathbf{s} - 1$  with *F* in [2] def. 4.1.

**Remark 8** When comparing with [7] one sees again a shift of dimensions from n in op. cit. to n-1 here;  $T^n$  with coordinates  $t_1, \ldots, t_n$  in op. cit. is our  $\mathbb{T}$  with coordinates  $t_2, \ldots, t_n$ . The polynomial P of op. cit. and our s are related by  $s = t_1 \cdot P$ . The identification of  $\mathbb{T} \setminus Z_s$  with  $\widetilde{Z}_{s-1}$  now gives for the Steinberg symbols  $\{P, t_2, \ldots, t_n\} = -\{t_1, t_2, \ldots, t_n\} = \{u_1, u_2, \ldots, u_n\}$  if the coordinates are ordered such that det M = -1.

Before we can state Batyrev's results we need some definitions/notations. [2] def. 2.8 defines an ascending sequence of homogeneous ideals in  $S_{\Lambda}$ :

$$I_{\Delta}^{(0)} \subset I_{\Delta}^{(1)} \subset \ldots \subset I_{\Delta}^{(n)} \subset I_{\Delta}^{(n+1)}$$
(64)

where  $I_{\Delta}^{(k)}$  is generated by the elements  $u^{\mathsf{m}}$  with  $\mathsf{m}$  in  $\Lambda \cap \mathbb{Z}^n$  but not in any codimension k face of  $\Lambda$ ; in particular

$$I_{\Delta}^{(0)} = 0 , \quad I_{\Delta}^{(1)} = \mathbb{C}[\operatorname{interior}(\Lambda) \cap \mathbb{Z}^n] , \quad I_{\Delta}^{(n)} = \mathcal{S}_{\Lambda}^+ , \quad I_{\Delta}^{(n+1)} = \mathcal{S}_{\Lambda}$$
(65)

 $S^+_{\Lambda}$  is the ideal in  $S_{\Lambda}$  generated by the monomials of degree > 0. [2] p.379 defines a descending sequence of  $\mathbb{C}$ -vector spaces in  $S_{\Lambda}$ :

$$\dots \supset \mathcal{E}^{-k} \supset \mathcal{E}^{-k+1} \supset \dots \supset \mathcal{E}^{-1} \supset \mathcal{E}^0 \supset \mathcal{E}^1 = 0$$
 (66)

where  $\mathcal{E}^{-k}$  is spanned by the monomials  $u^{\mathsf{m}}$  with deg  $u^{\mathsf{m}} \leq k$ . [2] def. 7.2 defines the differential operators

$$D_i := u_i \frac{\partial}{\partial u_i} + u_i \frac{\partial \mathbf{s}}{\partial u_i} , \quad (i = 1, \dots, n)$$
(67)

These operate on  $\mathbb{C}[u_1^{\pm 1}, \ldots, u_n^{\pm 1}]$ , preserving  $\mathcal{S}_{\Lambda}$  and  $\mathcal{S}_{\Lambda}^+$ . [2] thm. 4.8 can be used as a definition: **Definition 6** s is said to be  $\Lambda$ -regular if  $u_1 \frac{\partial s}{\partial u_1}$ ,  $u_2 \frac{\partial s}{\partial u_2} \dots$ ,  $u_n \frac{\partial s}{\partial u_n}$  is a regular sequence in  $S_{\Lambda}$ .

**Theorem 7** (summary of results in [2]) If s is  $\Lambda$ -regular, then there is a commutative diagram

$$\begin{aligned}
\mathcal{S}^{+}_{\Lambda} / \sum_{i=1}^{n} D_{i} \mathcal{S}^{+}_{\Lambda} &\xrightarrow{\simeq} & H^{n-1}(\widetilde{\mathsf{Z}}_{\mathsf{s}-1}) &\xrightarrow{\simeq} & H^{n-1}(\mathbb{T} \setminus \mathsf{Z}_{\mathsf{s}}) \\
\downarrow & \downarrow & \downarrow \\
\mathcal{S}_{\Lambda} / \sum_{i=1}^{n} D_{i} \mathcal{S}_{\Lambda} &\xrightarrow{\simeq} & H^{n}(\widetilde{\mathbb{T}} \operatorname{rel} \widetilde{\mathsf{Z}}_{\mathsf{s}-1})
\end{aligned} \tag{68}$$

in which the horizontal arrows are isomorphisms. These isomorphisms restrict to the following isomorphisms relating (65) and (66) with the weight and Hodge filtrations on  $H^{n-1}(\mathbb{T} \setminus \mathsf{Z}_{\mathsf{s}})$  and  $H^n(\widetilde{\mathbb{T}} \operatorname{rel} \widetilde{\mathsf{Z}}_{\mathsf{s}-1})$ . For  $k = -1, 0, 1, \ldots, n, n+1$ :

$$\begin{array}{rcl} \operatorname{image} \ I_{\Delta}^{(k)} \ \operatorname{in} \ \mathcal{S}_{\Lambda}^{+} / \sum_{i=1}^{n} D_{i} \mathcal{S}_{\Lambda}^{+} & \xrightarrow{\simeq} & \mathcal{W}_{k+n-1} H^{n-1}(\mathbb{T} \setminus \mathsf{Z}_{\mathsf{s}}) \\ \operatorname{image} \ \mathcal{E}^{-k} \cap \mathcal{S}_{\Lambda}^{+} \ \operatorname{in} \ \mathcal{S}_{\Lambda}^{+} / \sum_{i=1}^{n} D_{i} \mathcal{S}_{\Lambda}^{+} & \xrightarrow{\simeq} & \mathcal{F}^{n-k} H^{n-1}(\mathbb{T} \setminus \mathsf{Z}_{\mathsf{s}}) \\ \operatorname{image} \ I_{\Delta}^{(k)} \ \operatorname{in} \ \mathcal{S}_{\Lambda} / \sum_{i=1}^{n} D_{i} \mathcal{S}_{\Lambda} & \xrightarrow{\simeq} & \mathcal{W}_{k+n-1} H^{n}(\widetilde{\mathbb{T}} \operatorname{rel} \widetilde{\mathsf{Z}}_{\mathsf{s}-1}) \\ \operatorname{image} \ \mathcal{E}^{-k} \ \operatorname{in} \ \mathcal{S}_{\Lambda} / \sum_{i=1}^{n} D_{i} \mathcal{S}_{\Lambda} & \xrightarrow{\simeq} & \mathcal{F}^{n-k} H^{n}(\widetilde{\mathbb{T}} \operatorname{rel} \widetilde{\mathsf{Z}}_{\mathsf{s}-1}) \end{array}$$

**proof:** The statements for  $H^{n-1}(\mathbb{T} \setminus \mathsf{Z}_s)$  are theorems 7.13, 8.1 and 8.2 in [2]. The statements about  $H^n(\widetilde{\mathbb{T}} \operatorname{rel} \widetilde{\mathsf{Z}}_{s-1})$  can also be derived with the methods of op. cit., as follows. Recall that  $H^*(\widetilde{\mathbb{T}} \operatorname{rel} \widetilde{\mathsf{Z}}_{s-1})$  is the cohomology of the cone of the natural map of DeRham complexes  $\Omega^{\bullet}_{\widetilde{\mathbb{T}}} \to \Omega^{\bullet}_{\widetilde{\mathsf{Z}}_{s-1}}$  and that this cone complex is in degrees i and i+1

$$\dots \to \Omega^{i}_{\widetilde{\mathbb{T}}} \oplus \Omega^{i-1}_{\widetilde{\mathsf{Z}}_{\mathsf{s}^{-1}}} \longrightarrow \Omega^{i+1}_{\widetilde{\mathbb{T}}} \oplus \Omega^{i}_{\widetilde{\mathsf{Z}}_{\mathsf{s}^{-1}}} \to \dots$$

$$(\omega_{1}, \omega_{2}) \mapsto (-d\omega_{1}, d\omega_{2} + \omega_{1}|_{\widetilde{\mathsf{Z}}_{\mathsf{s}^{-1}}})$$

$$(69)$$

A basis for the  $\mathbb{C}[u_1^{\pm 1}, \ldots, u_n^{\pm 1}]$ -module  $\Omega^{\bullet}_{\widetilde{\mathbb{T}}}$  is given by the forms  $\frac{du_{i_1}}{u_{i_1}} \wedge \ldots \wedge \frac{du_{i_r}}{u_{i_r}}$ . Let  $\Omega^{\bullet}_{\widetilde{\mathbb{T}},0}$  denote the subgroup of  $\Omega^{\bullet}_{\widetilde{\mathbb{T}}}$  consisting of the linear combinations of the basic forms with coefficients in  $\mathbb{C}$ . The standard differential d on  $\Omega^{\bullet}_{\widetilde{\mathbb{T}}}$  is 0 on  $\Omega^{\bullet}_{\widetilde{\mathbb{T}},0}$ . The inclusion of complexes  $\Omega^{\bullet}_{\widetilde{\mathbb{T}},0} \hookrightarrow \Omega^{\bullet}_{\widetilde{\mathbb{T}}}$  is a quasi-isomorphism. So in (69) we may replace  $\Omega^{\bullet}_{\widetilde{\mathbb{T}}}$  by  $\Omega^{\bullet}_{\widetilde{\mathbb{T}},0}$ .

For the proof of [2] thm.7.13 Batyrev uses the  $\mathbb{C}$ -linear map  $\mathcal{R} : \mathcal{S}^+_{\Lambda} \to \Omega^{n-1}_{\tilde{\mathsf{Z}}_{s-1}}$ ,  $\mathcal{R}(\mathsf{u}^{\mathsf{m}}) := (-1)^{\deg \mathsf{m}-1} (\deg \mathsf{m}-1)! \, \mathsf{u}^{\mathsf{m}} \frac{dt_2}{t_2} \wedge \ldots \wedge \frac{dt_n}{t_n}$  (cf. remark 7 for the *t*-coordinates). Let us extend this to a  $\mathbb{C}$ -linear map  $\mathcal{R} : \mathcal{S}_{\Lambda} \to \Omega^n_{\tilde{\mathbb{T}},0} \oplus \Omega^{n-1}_{\tilde{\mathsf{Z}}_{s-1}}$  by setting  $\mathcal{R}(1) = \left(\frac{dt_1}{t_1} \wedge \ldots \wedge \frac{dt_n}{t_n}, 0\right)$ . This induces a surjective linear map  $S_{\Lambda} \longrightarrow H^{n}(\widetilde{\mathbb{T}} \operatorname{rel} \widetilde{\mathsf{Z}}_{\mathsf{s}-1})$  with  $\sum_{i=1}^{n} D_{i} S_{\Lambda}^{+}$  in its kernel. Note  $D_{i}(1) = u_{i} \frac{\partial \mathsf{s}}{\partial u_{i}}$ . A direct calculation shows for  $i = 1, \ldots, n$ :

$$(-1)^{i-1}\mathcal{R}(t_i\frac{\partial \mathbf{s}}{\partial t_i}) = d\left(\frac{dt_1}{t_1}\wedge\ldots\wedge\frac{\widehat{dt_i}}{t_i}\wedge\ldots\wedge\frac{dt_n}{t_n}, 0\right)$$

in  $\Omega^n_{\widetilde{\mathbb{T}},0}\oplus\Omega^{n-1}_{\widetilde{\mathsf{Z}}_{s-1}}$ . Therefore  $\mathcal R$  induces a surjective linear map

$$\mathcal{S}_{\Lambda} / \sum_{i=1}^{n} D_i \mathcal{S}_{\Lambda} \to H^n(\widetilde{\mathbb{T}} \operatorname{rel} \widetilde{\mathsf{Z}}_{\mathsf{s}-1})$$

A simple dimension count now shows that this is in fact an isomorphism.

The statements about the Hodge filtration and the weight filtration on  $H^n(\widetilde{\mathbb{T}} \operatorname{rel} \widetilde{\mathsf{Z}}_{\mathsf{s}-1})$  follow from the corresponding statements for  $H^{n-1}(\mathbb{T} \setminus \mathsf{Z}_{\mathsf{s}})$  and from (56).

The principal A-determinant of Gel'fand-Kapranov-Zelevinskii [13] is a polynomial  $E_{\mathsf{A}}(v_1, \ldots, v_N) \in \mathbb{Z}[v_1, \ldots, v_N]$  such that (see [2] prop. 4.16):

s is 
$$\Lambda$$
-regular  $\iff E_{\mathsf{A}}(v_1, \dots, v_N) \neq 0$  (70)

Now we want to vary the coefficients  $v_i$  in (63) and work over the ring

$$\mathbb{C}[\mathsf{v}] := \mathbb{C}[v_1, \dots, v_N, E_\mathsf{A}^{-1}].$$
(71)

Let  $\Omega^{\bullet}$  resp.  $\widetilde{\Omega}^{\bullet}$  denote the DeRham complex of  $\mathbb{C}[u_1^{\pm 1}, \ldots, u_n^{\pm 1}] \otimes \mathbb{C}[v]$ relative to  $\mathbb{C}[v]$  resp. relative to  $\mathbb{C}$ . Define on these complexes a new differential

$$\delta : \Omega^{i} \to \Omega^{i+1} \text{ resp. } \widetilde{\Omega}^{i} \to \widetilde{\Omega}^{i+1}$$
$$\delta \omega := d\omega + d\mathbf{s} \wedge \omega$$
(72)

where d is the ordinary differential on DeRham complexes.

As a basis for the  $\mathbb{C}[u_1^{\pm 1}, \ldots, u_n^{\pm 1}] \otimes \mathbb{C}[v]$ -module  $\Omega^1$  (resp.  $\widetilde{\Omega}^1$ ) we take  $\frac{du_1}{u_1}, \ldots, \frac{du_n}{u_n}$  (resp.  $\frac{du_1}{u_1}, \ldots, \frac{du_n}{u_n}, dv_1, \ldots, dv_N$ ) and extend it by taking wedge products to a basis for  $\Omega^{\bullet}$  (resp.  $\widetilde{\Omega}^{\bullet}$ ). Let  $\Omega^{\bullet}_{\Lambda}$  (resp.  $\Omega^{\bullet}_{\Lambda^+}$ ) denote the subgroups of  $\Omega^{\bullet}$  consisting of the linear combinations of the given basic forms with coefficients in  $S_{\Lambda} \otimes \mathbb{C}[v]$  (resp.  $S^+_{\Lambda} \otimes \mathbb{C}[v]$ ). Define  $\widetilde{\Omega}^{\bullet}_{\Lambda}$  (resp.  $\widetilde{\Omega}^{\bullet}_{\Lambda^+}$ ) in the same way as subgroups of  $\widetilde{\Omega}^{\bullet}$ . The differential  $\delta$  (72) preserves these subgroups. Thus we get the two complexes

$$\begin{array}{lll} (\Omega_{\Lambda}^{\bullet}, \delta) & : & \Omega_{\Lambda}^{0} \xrightarrow{\delta} \Omega_{\Lambda}^{1} \xrightarrow{\delta} \dots \xrightarrow{\delta} \Omega_{\Lambda}^{n-1} \xrightarrow{\delta} \Omega_{\Lambda}^{n} \\ (\widetilde{\Omega}_{\Lambda}^{\bullet}, \delta) & : & \widetilde{\Omega}_{\Lambda}^{0} \xrightarrow{\delta} \widetilde{\Omega}_{\Lambda}^{1} \xrightarrow{\delta} \dots \xrightarrow{\delta} \widetilde{\Omega}_{\Lambda}^{n-1} \xrightarrow{\delta} \widetilde{\Omega}_{\Lambda}^{n} \xrightarrow{\delta} \widetilde{\Omega}_{\Lambda}^{n+1} \xrightarrow{\delta} \dots \xrightarrow{\delta} \widetilde{\Omega}_{\Lambda}^{N+n} \end{array}$$

Then

$$H^{n}(\Omega^{\bullet}_{\Lambda}, \delta) = \left( \mathcal{S}_{\Lambda} / \sum_{i=1}^{n} D_{i} \mathcal{S}_{\Lambda} \right) \otimes \mathbb{C}[\mathsf{v}]$$
(73)

The Gauss-Manin connection

$$\nabla : H^n(\Omega^{\bullet}_{\Lambda}, \delta) \to H^n(\Omega^{\bullet}_{\Lambda}, \delta) \otimes \Omega^1_{\mathbb{C}[\mathbf{v}]/\mathbb{C}}$$
(74)

on this module is described by the Katz-Oda construction (cf. [18] §1.4) as follows. Lift the given  $\xi \in H^n(\Omega^{\bullet}_{\Lambda}, \delta)$  to an element  $\tilde{\xi}$  in  $\tilde{\Omega}^n_{\Lambda}$ . Then  $\nabla \xi$  is the cohomology class of  $\delta \tilde{\xi} \in \tilde{\Omega}^{n+1}_{\Lambda}$  in  $H^n(\Omega^{\bullet}_{\Lambda}, \delta) \otimes \Omega^1_{\mathbb{C}[v]/\mathbb{C}}$ . Having  $\nabla \xi$  one defines  $\frac{\partial}{\partial v_j} \xi \in H^n(\Omega^{\bullet}_{\Lambda}, \delta)$  by

$$\nabla \xi = \sum_{j=1}^{N} \left( \frac{\partial}{\partial v_j} \xi \right) \otimes dv_j \tag{75}$$

In particular for  $\mu \in \Lambda \cap \mathbb{Z}^n$  and

$$\xi_{\mu} := \text{ cohomology class of } \mathbf{u}^{\mu} \cdot \frac{du_1}{u_1} \wedge \ldots \wedge \frac{du_n}{u_n} \in H^n(\Omega^{\bullet}_{\Lambda}, \delta)$$
(76)

we find

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial v_j}\xi_{\mu} = \text{ cohomology class of } \mathbf{u}^{\mathfrak{a}_j+\mu} \cdot \frac{du_1}{u_1} \wedge \ldots \wedge \frac{du_n}{u_n}$$
(77)

$$= \xi_{\mu+\mathfrak{a}_j} \tag{78}$$

The form  $\xi_{\mu}$  for  $\mu \neq 0$  corresponds via (73) and [2] thm.7.13 with the form  $\omega_{\mu}$  in (54); more precisely  $\xi_{\mu}$  is the cohomology class of  $\omega_{\mu}$  modulo  $H^{n-1}(\widetilde{\mathbb{T}})$ .

**Corollary 4** 

$$\left(\mu + \sum_{j=1}^{N} \mathfrak{a}_{j} v_{j} \frac{\partial}{\partial v_{j}}\right) \xi_{\mu} = 0$$
(79)

$$\left(\prod_{\ell_j>0} \left[\frac{\partial}{\partial v_j}\right]^{\ell_j} - \prod_{\ell_j<0} \left[\frac{\partial}{\partial v_j}\right]^{-\ell_j}\right) \xi_\mu = 0 \quad \text{for } \ell \in \mathbb{L}$$
(80)

**proof:** On the level of differential forms in the complex  $(\Omega^{\bullet}_{\Lambda}, \delta)$  the *i*-th equation of (79) reads

$$\left(\mu_i + \sum_{j=1}^N a_{ij} v_j \frac{\partial}{\partial v_j}\right) \mathbf{u}^{\mu} \cdot \frac{du_1}{u_1} \wedge \ldots \wedge \frac{du_n}{u_n} = \\ = \delta \left( (-1)^{i-1} \mathbf{u}^{\mu} \frac{du_1}{u_1} \wedge \ldots \wedge \frac{du_{i-1}}{u_{i-1}} \wedge \frac{du_{i+1}}{u_{i+1}} \wedge \ldots \wedge \frac{du_n}{u_n} \right)$$

(80) follows immediately from (77).

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**Remark 9** We have essentially repeated the proof of [2] thm. 14.2. There is however a small difference: Batyrev uses coefficients in  $S^+_{\Lambda}$  where we are using coefficients in  $S_{\Lambda}$ . His differential equations hold for  $H^{n-1}(\mathbb{T} \setminus \mathsf{Z}_{\mathsf{s}}) = H^n(\Omega^{\bullet}_{\Lambda^+}, \delta)$ whereas ours only hold in the primitive part  $PH^{n-1}(\mathbb{T} \setminus \mathsf{Z}_{\mathsf{s}})$ . On the other hand we can also treat  $\xi_0$ . The following theorem shows that this gives an important advantage.

**Theorem 8** If  $\Lambda \cap \mathbb{Z}^n = \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0} \mathfrak{a}_1 + \ldots + \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0} \mathfrak{a}_N$ , then  $\xi_0$  generates  $H^n(\Omega^{\bullet}_{\Lambda}, \delta)$  as a module over the ring  $\mathcal{D} := \mathbb{C}[v_1, \ldots, v_N, E_{\mathsf{A}}^{-1}, \frac{\partial}{\partial v_1}, \ldots, \frac{\partial}{\partial v_N}]$ . The annihilator of  $\xi_0$  in  $\mathcal{D}$  is the left ideal generated by the differential operators

$$\sum_{j=1}^{N} a_{ij} v_j \frac{\partial}{\partial v_j} \quad and \quad \prod_{\ell_j > 0} \left[ \frac{\partial}{\partial v_j} \right]^{\ell_j} - \prod_{\ell_j < 0} \left[ \frac{\partial}{\partial v_j} \right]^{-\ell_j}$$

with  $1 \leq i \leq n$  and  $\ell \in \mathbb{L}$ .

In other words,  $H^n(\widetilde{\mathbb{T}} \operatorname{rel} \widetilde{\mathsf{Z}}_{\mathsf{s}-1}) = H^n(\Omega^{\bullet}_{\Lambda}, \delta)$  is the hypergeometric  $\mathcal{D}$ -module in the sense of [11] §2.1 with parameters  $\{\mathfrak{a}_1, \ldots, \mathfrak{a}_N\}$  and  $\beta = 0$ .

**proof:** Let  $\mathcal{M}_0$  denote the hypergeometric  $\mathcal{D}$ -module with parameters  $\beta = 0$ and  $\{\mathfrak{a}_1, \ldots, \mathfrak{a}_N\}$  as in [11] section 2.1. By corollary 4 and formula (78) we have a surjective homomorphism of  $\mathcal{D}$ -modules  $\mathcal{M}_0 \to H^n(\Omega^{\bullet}_{\Lambda}, \delta)$ . The filtration of  $\mathcal{D}$  by the order of differential operators induces an ascending filtration on  $\mathcal{M}_0$ and  $H^n(\Omega^{\bullet}_{\Lambda}, \delta)$ . It suffices to prove that the above surjection induces an isomorphism for the associated graded modules. According to [11] prop.3  $gr \mathcal{M}_0$  is isomorphic to the quotient of the ring  $\mathbb{C}[x_1, \ldots, x_N] \otimes \mathbb{C}[\mathsf{v}]$  by the ideal generated by the linear forms  $\sum_{j=1}^N a_{ij}x_j$  for  $i = 1, \ldots, n$  and by the polynomials  $\prod_{\ell_j>0} x_j^{\ell_j} - \prod_{\ell_j<0} x_j^{-\ell_j}$  with  $\ell \in \mathbb{L}$ . Via the substitution homorphism  $x_j \mapsto \mathsf{u}^{\mathfrak{a}_j}$ this quotient ring is isomorphic to the quotient of the ring  $\mathcal{S}_{\Lambda} \otimes \mathbb{C}[\mathsf{v}]$  by the ideal generated by  $u_1 \frac{\partial \mathsf{s}}{\partial u_1}, u_2 \frac{\partial \mathsf{s}}{\partial u_2}, \ldots, u_n \frac{\partial \mathsf{s}}{\partial u_n}$ . Using (77), (73) and (67) one checks that the latter quotient ring is isomorphic to  $gr H^n(\Omega^{\bullet}_{\Lambda}, \delta)$ .

#### PART II A

### Introduction II A

In this Part II A we give our results the flavor of Mirror Symmetry by showing that for a regular triangulation  $\mathcal{T}$  which satisfies conditions (81), (82), (83), the ring  $\mathcal{R}_{\mathsf{A},\mathcal{T}}$  is the cohomology ring of a toric variety constructed somehow from the dual Gorenstein cone  $\Lambda^{\vee}$  and that the ring  $\mathcal{R}_{\mathsf{A},\mathcal{T}}/\operatorname{Ann} c_{\operatorname{core}}$  is a subring of the Chow ring of a Calabi-Yau complete intersection in that toric variety; more precisely the subring is the image of the Chow ring of the ambient toric variety.

We construct several toric varieties which are also used in [3]. As we want to promote the use of triangulations we give a construction of these toric varieties as a quotient of an open part of  $\mathbb{C}^d$  (d an appropriate dimension) by a torus. The torus is related to  $\mathbb{L}$  and the open part is given by the triangulation  $\mathcal{T}$ . Such a construction of toric varieties is well known (see for instance [16]).

#### 7 Triangulations with non-empty core and completely split reflexive Gorenstein cones.

**Proposition 3** Assume that  $\mathcal{T}$  satisfies the following three conditions

core 
$$\mathcal{T}$$
 is not empty and core  $\mathcal{T} = \{1, \dots, \kappa\}$  (81)

- core  $\mathcal{T}$  is not contained in the boundary of  $\Delta$ (82)
- T is unimodular (83)

Then  $\Lambda := \mathbb{R}_{\geq 0}\mathfrak{a}_1 + \ldots + \mathbb{R}_{\geq 0}\mathfrak{a}_N$  is a reflexive Gorenstein cone of index  $\kappa$  and the dual cone  $\Lambda^{\vee}$  is completely split in the sense of [3] definition 3.9.

**proof:** By lemma 6 and hypotheses (81) and (82) the (n-2)-dimensional simplices in the boundary of  $\Delta$  are precisely the simplices  $I \setminus \{i\}$  with  $I \in \mathcal{T}^n$ and  $i = 1, \ldots, \kappa$ . It follows that the dual cone  $\Lambda^{\vee}$  is generated by the set of row vectors  $\{\mathfrak{a}_{I,i}^{\vee} \mid I \in T^n, i = 1, \dots, \kappa\}$  where

 $\mathfrak{a}_{I,i}^{\vee} := \text{ the } i\text{-th row of the matrix } \mathsf{A}_{I}^{-1}$ 

Hypothesis (83) implies  $\mathfrak{a}_{I,i}^{\vee} \in \mathbb{Z}^{n^{\vee}}$  for all I, i. By construction

$$\mathbf{a}_{I,i}^{\vee} \cdot \mathbf{a}_j = \begin{cases} \geq 0 & \text{for } j = 1, \dots, N \\ 1 & \text{if } j = i \\ 0 & \text{if } 1 \leq j \leq \kappa, \ j \neq i \end{cases}$$
(84)

So if we take

$$\mathfrak{a}_0 := \mathfrak{a}_1 + \ldots + \mathfrak{a}_\kappa \in \mathbb{R}^n \tag{85}$$

then

$$\mathfrak{a}_{I,i}^{\vee} \cdot \mathfrak{a}_0 = 1 \quad \text{for} \quad I \in \mathcal{T}^n, \ i = 1, \dots, \kappa.$$

This shows that  $\Lambda^{\vee}$  is a Gorenstein cone. Hence  $\Lambda$  is a reflexive Gorenstein cone

with index  $\mathfrak{a}_0^{\vee} \cdot \mathfrak{a}_0 = \kappa$ . Every element of  $\Lambda^{\vee}$  can be written as  $\sum_{I,i} s_{I,i} \mathfrak{a}_{I,i}^{\vee}$  with all  $s_{I,i} \in \mathbb{R}_{\geq 0}$ . Such a sum can be rearranged as  $\sum_{i=1}^{\kappa} t_i \alpha_i$  with  $t_i = \sum_I s_{I,i}$  and  $\alpha_i \in \Box_i$  where

$$\Box_i := \operatorname{conv} \left\{ \mathfrak{a}_{I,i}^{\vee} \, | \, I \in T^n \right\}.$$
(86)

 $\Box_i$  is a lattice polytope in the  $(n-\kappa)$ -dimensional affine subspace of  $\mathbb{R}^{n\vee}$  given by the equations  $\xi \cdot \mathfrak{a}_i = 1$  and  $\xi \cdot \mathfrak{a}_j = 0$  if  $1 \leq j \leq \kappa$ ,  $j \neq i$  (cf. (84)). This shows that  $\Lambda^{\vee}$  is a *completely split* reflexive Gorenstein cone of index  $\kappa$  in the sense of [3] definition 3.9.

Note that the dimension of  $\Box_i$  equals n-2 minus the dimension of the minimal face of  $\Delta$  which contains  $\{\mathfrak{a}_i \mid j \in \operatorname{core} \mathcal{T} \setminus \{i\}\}$ .  $\boxtimes$ 

### 8 Triangulations and toric varieties

We assume from now on that T satisfies the conditions (81), (82), (83).

Take some  $I_0 \in \mathcal{T}^n$  and consider the matrix  $(u_{ij}) := A_{I_0}^{-1} A$ . Then in definition 2 the linear forms

$$u_{i1}C_1 + u_{i2}C_2 + \ldots + u_{iN}C_N \quad (i = 1, \ldots, n)$$
(87)

together with the monomials in (14) give another system of generators for the ideal  $\mathcal{J}$ . The corresponding relations in  $\mathcal{R}_{\mathsf{A},\mathcal{T}}$  for  $i = 1, \ldots, \kappa$  express  $c_1, \ldots, c_{\kappa}$  as linear combinations of  $c_{\kappa+1}, \ldots, c_N$ . The relations for  $i = \kappa + 1, \ldots, n$  do not involve  $c_1, \ldots, c_{\kappa}$ . Also the monomials in (14) do not involve  $C_1, \ldots, C_{\kappa}$ .

Let  $\mathfrak{u}_{\kappa+1},\ldots,\mathfrak{u}_N \in \mathbb{R}^{n-\kappa}$  be the columns of the matrix  $(u_{ij})_{\kappa < i \leq n, \kappa < j \leq N}$ . There is a simplicial fan  $\mathcal{F}'$  in  $\mathbb{R}^{n-\kappa}$  given by the cones

$$\mathbb{R}_{\geq 0}\mathfrak{u}_{i_1} + \ldots + \mathbb{R}_{\geq 0}\mathfrak{u}_{i_s} \quad \text{with } i_1, \ldots, i_s > \kappa \text{ and } \{i_1, \ldots, i_s\} \in \mathcal{T}$$
(88)

i.e. the index set is a simplex in the triangulation  $\mathcal{T}$ .

The fan  $\mathcal{F}'$  is complete iff  $0 \in \mathbb{R}^{n-\kappa}$  is a linear combination with positive coefficients of the vectors  $\mathfrak{u}_{\kappa+1}, \ldots, \mathfrak{u}_N$ . This is equivalent to condition (82). Condition (83) implies that  $\mathcal{F}'$  is a fan of regular simplicial cones, i.e. its maximal cones are spanned by a basis of  $\mathbb{Z}^{n-\kappa}$ .

Combining these considerations with [5] thm.10.8 or [10] prop.p.106 we find:

**Theorem 9** If the triangulation  $\mathcal{T}$  satisfies conditions (81), (82), (83), then  $\mathcal{R}_{\mathsf{A},\mathcal{T}}$  is isomorphic to the cohomology ring  $H^*(\mathbb{P}_{\mathcal{T}},\mathbb{Z})$  of the  $(n-\kappa)$ -dimensional smooth projective toric variety  $\mathbb{P}_{\mathcal{T}}$  associated with the fan  $\mathcal{F}'$  (see definition 8); more precisely:

$$\mathcal{R}_{\mathsf{A},\mathcal{T}}^{(m)} \simeq H^{2m}(\mathbb{P}_{\mathcal{T}},\mathbb{Z}) , \qquad m = 0, 1, \dots, n - \kappa .$$
  
and  $\mathcal{R}_{\mathsf{A},\mathcal{T}}^{(m)} = 0$  for  $m > n - \kappa$ .

There is much more geometry in those three conditions than was used for theorem 9. Consider in  $\mathbb{R}^n$  the fan  $\mathcal{F}$  consisting of the cones

$$\mathbb{R}_{>0}\mathfrak{a}_{i_1} + \ldots + \mathbb{R}_{>0}\mathfrak{a}_{i_s} , \quad \{i_1, \ldots, i_s\} \in \mathcal{T}.$$

$$(89)$$

 $\boxtimes$ 

The standard constructions produce a toric variety  $\mathbb{E}_{\mathcal{T}}$  from this fan. We recall the construction of the toric variety  $\mathbb{E}_{\mathcal{T}}$  as a quotient of an open part of  $\mathbb{C}^N$ by the torus  $\mathbb{L} \otimes \mathbb{C}^*$ . This torus appears here because  $\mathbb{L}$  is the lattice of linear relations between the vectors  $\mathfrak{a}_1, \ldots, \mathfrak{a}_N$ ; by condition (83) and corollary 1 these are exactly the generators of the 1-dim cones of the fan  $\mathcal{F}$ .

Take  $\mathbb{C}^N$  with coordinates  $x_1, \ldots, x_N$  and define

$$\mathbb{C}_{I}^{N} := \{ (x_{1}, \dots, x_{N}) \in \mathbb{C}^{N} \mid x_{j} \neq 0 \text{ if } j \notin I \} \text{ for } I \in \mathcal{T}^{n} \\
\mathbb{C}_{T}^{N} := \bigcup_{I \in \mathcal{T}^{n}} \mathbb{C}_{I}^{N}$$
(90)

The torus  $\mathbb{C}^{*N}$  acts on  $\mathbb{C}^N$  via coordinatewise multiplication. The inclusion  $\mathbb{L} \subset \mathbb{Z}^N$  induces an inclusion of tori  $\mathbb{L} \otimes \mathbb{C}^* \subset \mathbb{C}^{*N}$ . Thus  $\mathbb{L} \otimes \mathbb{C}^*$  acts on  $\mathbb{C}^N$ . For  $\ell = (\ell_1, \ldots, \ell_N) \in \mathbb{L}$ ,  $t \in \mathbb{C}^*$  the element  $\ell \otimes t$  acts as

$$(\ell \otimes t) \cdot (x_1, \dots, x_N) := (t^{\ell_1} x_1, \dots, t^{\ell_N} x_N) \tag{91}$$

**Definition 7**  $\mathbb{E}_{\mathcal{T}} := \mathbb{C}_{\mathcal{T}}^N / \mathbb{L} \otimes \mathbb{C}^*$ .

Take an  $(N-n) \times N$ -matrix B with entries in  $\mathbb{Z}$  such that the columns of B<sup>t</sup> constitute a basis for L. For  $I \subset \{1, \ldots, N\}$  we denote by A<sub>I</sub> (resp. B<sub>I\*</sub>) the submatrix of A (resp. B) composed of the entries with column index in I (resp. in  $I^* := \{1, \ldots, N\} \setminus I$ ). Consider  $I = \{i_1, \ldots, i_n\} \in T^n$ . Then  $\det(B_{I^*}) = \pm \det(A_I) = \pm 1$  by condition (83). So B<sub>I\*</sub> is invertible over  $\mathbb{Z}$ . From this one easily sees that there is an isomorphism

Hence  $\mathbb{E}_{\mathcal{T}}$  is a smooth toric variety. The torus  $\mathbb{C}^{*N} / \mathbb{L} \otimes \mathbb{C}^* = \mathbb{M} \otimes \mathbb{C}^*$  acts on  $\mathbb{E}_{\mathcal{T}}$  and the variety  $\mathbb{E}_{\mathcal{T}}$  contains  $\mathbb{M} \otimes \mathbb{C}^*$  as a dense open subset.

One constructs in the same way the toric variety  $\mathbb{P}_{\mathcal{T}}$  from the fan  $\mathcal{F}'$  (see (88)). Now the lattice of linear relations between the generators  $\mathfrak{u}_{\kappa+1},\ldots,\mathfrak{u}_N$  of the 1-dimensional cones of the fan  $\mathcal{F}'$  is the image of the composite map  $\mathbb{L} \hookrightarrow \mathbb{Z}^N \twoheadrightarrow \mathbb{Z}^{N-\kappa}$ . This map  $\mathbb{L} \to \mathbb{Z}^{N-\kappa}$  is also injective. Take  $\mathbb{C}^{N-\kappa}$  with coordinates  $x_{\kappa+1},\ldots,x_N$  and define

$$\mathbb{C}_{I}^{N-\kappa} := \{ (x_{\kappa+1}, \dots, x_{N}) \in \mathbb{C}^{N} \mid x_{j} \neq 0 \text{ if } j \notin I \} \text{ for } I \in \mathcal{T}^{n} \\
\mathbb{C}_{T}^{N-\kappa} := \bigcup_{I \in \mathcal{T}^{n}} \mathbb{C}_{I}^{N-\kappa}$$
(93)

 $\mathbb{L} \otimes \mathbb{C}^*$  is a subtorus of  $\mathbb{C}^{*N-\kappa}$  and acts accordingly; i.e. as in (91) using only the coordinates with index  $> \kappa$ .

# $\textbf{Definition 8} \qquad \mathbb{P}_{\mathcal{T}} := \ \mathbb{C}_{\mathcal{T}}^{N-\kappa} / \mathbb{L} \otimes \mathbb{C}^{\, \ast} \, .$

 $\mathbb{P}_{\mathcal{T}}$  is a smooth projective toric variety: smooth for the same reason as  $\mathbb{E}_{\mathcal{T}}$  and projective because the fan  $\mathcal{F}'$  is complete. Projection onto the last  $N - \kappa$  coordinates induces a surjective morphism

$$\pi : \mathbb{E}_{\mathcal{T}} \to \mathbb{P}_{\mathcal{T}} \tag{94}$$

As (90) puts no restriction on the coordinates  $x_1, \ldots, x_{\kappa}$ , the fibers of  $\pi$  are complex vector spaces of dimension  $\kappa$ ; more precisely, (92) gives a trivialization

$$\mathbb{C}_{I}^{N}/\mathbb{L}\otimes\mathbb{C}^{*}\simeq\mathbb{C}^{n}\simeq\mathbb{C}^{\kappa}\times\mathbb{C}^{n-\kappa}\simeq\mathbb{C}^{\kappa}\times\left(\mathbb{C}_{I}^{N-\kappa}/\mathbb{L}\otimes\mathbb{C}^{*}\right)$$

Thus:

**Proposition 4**  $\mathbb{E}_{\mathcal{T}}$  has the structure of a vector bundle of rank  $\kappa$  over  $\mathbb{P}_{\mathcal{T}}$ .

The dual vector bundle  $\mathbb{E}_{\mathcal{T}}^{\vee} \to \mathbb{P}_{\mathcal{T}}$  can be constructed as

$$\mathbb{E}_{\mathcal{T}}^{\vee} := \mathbb{C}_{\mathcal{T}}^{N} / (\mathbb{L} \otimes \mathbb{C}^{*})'$$
(95)

with  $\mathbb{C}^N_{\mathcal{T}}$  as in definition 7, but with the action of  $\mathbb{L} \otimes \mathbb{C}^*$  slightly modified from (91): the element  $\ell \otimes t$  now acts as

$$(\ell \otimes t) \cdot' (x_1, \dots, x_N) := (t^{-\ell_1} x_1, \dots, t^{-\ell_\kappa} x_\kappa, t^{\ell_{\kappa+1}} x_{\kappa+1}, \dots, t^{\ell_N} x_N)$$
(96)

For the sake of completeness we also describe the construction of the bundle of projective spaces  $\mathbb{PE}_{\mathcal{T}} \to \mathbb{P}_{\mathcal{T}}$  associated with the vector bundle  $\mathbb{E}_{\mathcal{T}} \to \mathbb{P}_{\mathcal{T}}$ . Take as before  $\mathbb{C}^N$  with coordinates  $x_1, \ldots, x_N$ . Define for  $i \in \operatorname{core} \mathcal{T}$  and  $I \in \mathcal{T}^n$ 

$$\mathbb{C}_{i,I}^{N} := \{ (x_{1}, \dots, x_{N}) \in \mathbb{C}^{N} \mid x_{i} \neq 0 \text{ and } x_{j} \neq 0 \text{ if } j \notin I \}$$

$$\mathbb{C}_{T_{0}}^{N} := \bigcup_{i \in \operatorname{core} \mathcal{T}, \ I \in \mathcal{T}^{n}} \mathbb{C}_{i,I}^{N}$$
(97)

Write  $\mathbf{k} := (k_1, \ldots, k_N)^t$  with  $k_j = 1$  if  $j \in \operatorname{core} \mathcal{T}$  resp.  $k_j = 0$  if  $j \notin \operatorname{core} \mathcal{T}$ , i.e.  $\mathbf{k} = (1, \ldots, 1, 0, \ldots, 0)^t$ . Clearly  $\mathbf{k} \notin \mathbb{L}$ . Hence  $\mathbb{Z} \cdot \mathbf{k} \oplus \mathbb{L} \subset \mathbb{Z}^N$  and  $(\mathbb{Z} \cdot \mathbf{k} \oplus \mathbb{L}) \otimes \mathbb{C}^* \subset \mathbb{C}^{*N}$ . Then

$$\mathbb{PE}_{\mathcal{T}} := \mathbb{C}^{N}_{\mathcal{T}\circ} / (\mathbb{Z} \cdot \mathsf{k} \oplus \mathbb{L}) \otimes \mathbb{C}^{*}.$$
<sup>(98)</sup>

with the morphism  $\mathbb{PE}_{\mathcal{T}} \to \mathbb{P}_{\mathcal{T}}$  induced from projection onto the last  $N - \kappa$  coordinates.

There are two kinds of codim 1 simplices in the triangulation  $\mathcal{T}$ : those which do contain core  $\mathcal{T}$  and those which do not. Those which do not contain core  $\mathcal{T}$ are precisely the ones of the form  $I \setminus \{i\}$  with  $I \in \mathcal{T}^n$  and  $i \in \operatorname{core} \mathcal{T}$ . Notice the relation with (97). The codim 1 simplices which do not contain core  $\mathcal{T}$  constitute a triangulation of the boundary of  $\Delta$ . Let as in (85)

$$\mathfrak{a}_0 := \mathfrak{a}_1 + \ldots + \mathfrak{a}_\kappa$$

Then  $\mathbb{Z} \cdot \mathbf{k} \oplus \mathbb{L} \subset \mathbb{Z}^N$  is precisely the lattice of linear relations between the vectors  $\mathfrak{a}_1 - \frac{1}{\kappa} \mathfrak{a}_0, \ \mathfrak{a}_2 - \frac{1}{\kappa} \mathfrak{a}_0, \ldots, \mathfrak{a}_N - \frac{1}{\kappa} \mathfrak{a}_0$ . Thus we see:

**Proposition 5**  $\mathbb{PE}_{\mathcal{T}}$  is the (n-1)-dimensional smooth projective toric variety associated with the lattice  $\mathbb{Z}(\mathfrak{a}_1 - \frac{1}{\kappa}\mathfrak{a}_0) + \ldots + \mathbb{Z}(\mathfrak{a}_N - \frac{1}{\kappa}\mathfrak{a}_0)$  and the fan consisting the cones with apex 0 over the simplices of the triangulation of the boundary of  $-\frac{1}{\kappa}\mathfrak{a}_0 + \Delta$  induced by  $\mathcal{T}$ .

# 9 Calabi-Yau complete intersections in toric varieties

According to proposition 3 conditions (81), (82), (83) imply that  $\Lambda^{\vee}$  is a completely split reflexive Gorenstein cone. In [3] Batyrev and Borisov relate this

splitting property to complete intersections in toric varieties. Formulated in our present context this relation is as follows.

A (global) section of  $\mathbb{E}_{\mathcal{T}}^{\vee} \to \mathbb{P}_{\mathcal{T}}$  is given by polynomials  $P_i(x_{\kappa+1},\ldots,x_N)$  $(i=1,\ldots,\kappa)$  which satisfy the homogeneity condition

$$P_i(t^{\ell_{\kappa+1}} \cdot x_{\kappa+1}, \dots, t^{\ell_N} \cdot x_N) = t^{-\ell_i} \cdot P_i(x_{\kappa+1}, \dots, x_N)$$
(99)

for every  $t \in \mathbb{C}^*$  and  $\ell = (\ell_1, \ldots, \ell_N)^t \in \mathbb{L}$ . The vector bundle is a direct sum of line bundles and the polynomial  $P_i$  gives a section of the *i*-th line bundle.

The polynomial  $P_i$  is a linear combination of monomials  $x_{\kappa+1}^{m_{\kappa+1}} \cdot \ldots \cdot x_N^{m_N}$  such that

$$\ell_{\kappa+1}m_{\kappa+1} + \ldots + \ell_N m_N = -\ell_i \quad \text{for all } \ell = (\ell_1, \ldots, \ell_N) \in \mathbb{L}.$$

These monomials correspond bijectively to the elements  $(m_1, \ldots, m_N)$  in the row space of matrix A which satisfy  $m_i = 1$ ,  $m_j = 0$  if  $1 \le j \le \kappa, j \ne i$  and  $m_j \ge 0$  if  $j > \kappa$ . Equivalently, these monomials correspond bijectively to the elements  $\mathbf{w} \in \mathbb{Z}^{n\vee}$  which satisfy

$$\mathbf{w} \cdot \mathbf{a}_{j} = \begin{cases} \geq 0 & \text{for } j = 1, \dots, N \\ 1 & \text{if } j = i \\ 0 & \text{if } 1 \leq j \leq \kappa, \ j \neq i \end{cases}$$
(100)

So the monomials in the polynomial  $P_i$  correspond bijectively to the integral lattice points in the polytope  $\Box_i$ ; see (86).

The zero locus of the section of  $\mathbb{E}_{\mathcal{T}}^{\vee} \to \mathbb{P}_{\mathcal{T}}$  corresponding to the polynomials  $P_i(x_{\kappa+1},\ldots,x_N)$   $(i=1,\ldots,\kappa)$  is clearly the complete intersection in  $\mathbb{P}_{\mathcal{T}}$  with (homogeneous) equations

$$P_i(x_{\kappa+1},...,x_N) = 0$$
  $(i = 1,...,\kappa)$  (101)

If the coefficients of these polynomials satisfy a  $\Lambda^{\vee}$ -regularity condition, then this complete intersection is a Calabi-Yau variety Y of dimension  $n - 2\kappa$ .

The ring  $\mathcal{R}_{\mathsf{A},\mathcal{T}}$  is isomorphic to the cohomology ring of the toric variety  $\mathbb{P}_{\mathcal{T}}$ . The elements  $-c_1, \ldots, -c_{\kappa}$  are the Chern classes of the hypersurfaces associated with the polynomials  $P_1, \ldots, P_{\kappa}$ . With as before  $c_{\text{core}} = c_1 \cdot \ldots \cdot c_{\kappa}$ , the ring  $\mathcal{R}_{\mathsf{A},\mathcal{T}}/\operatorname{Ann} c_{\text{core}}$  is isomorphic to the image of  $H^*(\mathbb{P}_{\mathcal{T}},\mathbb{Z})$  in  $H^*(Y,\mathbb{Z})$ .

### Conclusions

Consider the map  $\mathbf{v} : \mathbb{C}^{N\vee} \to \mathbb{C}^{N\vee}$ ,  $\mathbf{v}(z_1, \ldots, z_N) := (\mathbf{e}^{2\pi i z_1}, \ldots, \mathbf{e}^{2\pi i z_N})$ . According to [13] p.304 cor.1.7 there is a vector  $b \in \mathcal{C}_T$  such that

$$E_{\mathsf{A}}(\mathsf{v}(\mathsf{z})) \neq 0 \quad \text{for all} \quad \mathsf{z} \in \mathbb{C}^{N \vee} \quad \text{such that} \quad p(\Im \mathsf{z}) \in b + \mathcal{C}_{\mathcal{T}};$$
(102)

here  $p : \mathbb{R}^{N \vee} \to \mathbb{L}_{\mathbb{R}}^{\vee}$  denotes the surjection dual to the inclusion  $\mathbb{L} \hookrightarrow \mathbb{Z}^n$ . This shows how one can replace the domain of definition  $\mathcal{V}_{\mathcal{T}}$  of the functions  $\Psi_{\mathcal{T},\beta}$  (cf. (40)) by a slightly smaller domain  $\mathcal{V}'_{\mathcal{T}}$  such that on  $\mathsf{v}(\mathcal{V}'_{\mathcal{T}})$  the function  $E_{\mathsf{A}}$  is nowhere zero. The  $\mathcal{D}$ -module  $H^n(\widetilde{\mathbb{T}} \operatorname{rel} \widetilde{\mathsf{Z}}_{\mathsf{s}-1})$  is therefore defined on  $\mathsf{v}(\mathcal{V}'_{\mathcal{T}})$ ; cf. theorem 8. Its pullback to  $\mathcal{V}'_{\mathcal{T}}$  is the  $\mathcal{D}_{\mathcal{T}}$ -module  $H^n(\widetilde{\mathbb{T}} \operatorname{rel} \widetilde{\mathsf{Z}}_{\mathsf{s}-1}) \otimes \mathcal{O}_{\mathcal{T}}$ , where  $\mathcal{O}_{\mathcal{T}}$  denotes the ring of holomorphic functions on  $\mathcal{V}'_{\mathcal{T}}$  and  $\mathcal{D}_{\mathcal{T}}$  denotes the corresponding ring of differential operators.

The functions  $\Psi_{\mathcal{T},\beta}$  are also defined on the domain  $\mathcal{V}'_{\mathcal{T}}$  and

$$\Psi_{\mathcal{T},\beta} \in \mathcal{R}_{\mathsf{A},\mathcal{T}} \otimes \mathcal{O}_{\mathcal{T}}.$$

 $\mathcal{R}_{A,\mathcal{T}} \otimes \mathcal{O}_{\mathcal{T}}$  is a  $\mathcal{D}_{\mathcal{T}}$ -module with  $\mathcal{R}_{A,\mathcal{T}}$  as its group of horizontal sections. The following theorem summarizes the results of this paper:

**Theorem 10** Let  $\{\mathfrak{a}_1, \ldots, \mathfrak{a}_N\}$  be a finite subset of  $\mathbb{Z}^n$  which satisfies condition 1. Let  $\Lambda := \mathbb{R}_{\geq 0}\mathfrak{a}_1 + \ldots + \mathbb{R}_{\geq 0}\mathfrak{a}_N$  be the associated Gorenstein cone and  $\Delta := \operatorname{conv} \{\mathfrak{a}_1, \ldots, \mathfrak{a}_N\}$ .

(i). If there exists a unimodular regular triangulation of  $\Delta$ , then condition 2 is satisfied and  $\mathfrak{a}_1, \ldots, \mathfrak{a}_N$  generate  $\mathbb{Z}^n$ , i.e.

$$\Delta \cap \mathbb{Z}^n = \{\mathfrak{a}_1, \dots, \mathfrak{a}_N\} \quad and \quad \mathbb{M} = \mathbb{Z}^n \,. \tag{103}$$

 (ii). For every unimodular regular triangulation T there is an isomorphism of D<sub>T</sub>-modules on V'<sub>T</sub>:

$$H^{n}(\widetilde{\mathbb{T}}\operatorname{rel}\widetilde{\mathsf{Z}}_{\mathsf{s}-1})\otimes\mathcal{O}_{\mathcal{T}}\simeq\mathcal{R}_{\mathsf{A},\mathcal{T}}\otimes\mathcal{O}_{\mathcal{T}}$$
(104)

through which  $\xi_0$  corresponds with  $\Psi_{\mathcal{T},0}$ . More generally  $\xi_{\mu}$  corresponds with  $\Psi_{\mathcal{T},-\mu}$  if  $\mu \in \Lambda \cap \mathbb{Z}^n$ .

(iii). In particular if  $\Lambda$  is a reflexive Gorenstein cone of index  $\kappa$  and  $\mathcal{T}$  is a unimodular regular triangulation, then  $\mathcal{W}_n H^n(\widetilde{\mathbb{T}} \operatorname{rel} \widetilde{\mathsf{Z}}_{\mathsf{s}-1}) \otimes \mathcal{O}_{\mathcal{T}}$  is generated as a  $\mathcal{D}_{\mathcal{T}}$ -module by  $\xi_{\mathfrak{a}_0}$  and corresponds via (104) with the sub- $\mathcal{D}_{\mathcal{T}}$ -module of  $\mathcal{R}_{\mathsf{A},\mathcal{T}} \otimes \mathcal{O}_{\mathcal{T}}$  generated by  $\Psi_{\mathcal{T},-\mathfrak{a}_0}$ .

Moreover  $\xi_{\mathfrak{a}_0}$  has weight n and Hodge type  $(n - \kappa, \kappa)$ .

(iv). If  $\Lambda$  is a reflexive Gorenstein cone and  $\mathcal{T}$  is a unimodular regular triangulation with non-empty core, then (104) induces an isomorphism

$$\mathcal{W}_{n}H^{n}(\bar{\mathbb{T}}\operatorname{rel}\bar{\mathsf{Z}}_{\mathsf{s}-1})\otimes\mathcal{O}_{\mathcal{T}} \simeq c_{\operatorname{core}}\mathcal{R}_{\mathsf{A},\mathcal{T}}\otimes\mathcal{O}_{\mathcal{T}}$$

$$\simeq \mathcal{R}_{\mathsf{A},\mathcal{T}}/\operatorname{Ann}c_{\operatorname{core}}\otimes\mathcal{O}_{\mathcal{T}}$$
(105)

- (v). Now assume T satisfies conditions (81), (82), (83), i.e. T is a unimodular regular triangulation whose core is not empty and is not contained in the boundary of Δ. Then
  - (a)  $\Lambda$  is a reflexive Gorenstein cone.

(b)  $\mathcal{R}_{\mathsf{A},\mathcal{T}}$  is isomorphic to the cohomology ring  $H^*(\mathbb{P}_{\mathcal{T}},\mathbb{Z})$  of the  $(n-\kappa)$ -dimensional smooth projective toric variety  $\mathbb{P}_{\mathcal{T}}$ :

 $\mathcal{R}^{(m)}_{\mathbf{A}\mathcal{T}} \simeq H^{2m}(\mathbb{P}_{\mathcal{T}}, \mathbb{Z}) , \qquad m = 0, 1, \dots, n - \kappa$ (106)

and in particular for m = 1:  $\mathbb{L}_{\mathbb{Z}}^{\vee} \simeq Pic(\mathbb{P}_{\mathcal{T}})$ .

- (c)  $c_{\text{core}} = c_{\kappa}(\mathbb{E}_{\mathcal{T}})$ , the top Chern class of the vectorbundle  $\mathbb{E}_{\mathcal{T}}$ .
- (d) The zero locus of a general section of the dual vector bundle  $\mathbb{E}_{\mathcal{T}}^{\vee}$  is an  $n 2\kappa$ -dimensional Calabi-Yau complete intersection in  $\mathbb{P}_{\mathcal{T}}$ .
- (e)

$$H^{n}(\mathbb{T}\operatorname{rel} \mathsf{Z}_{\mathsf{s}-1}) \otimes \mathcal{O}_{\mathcal{T}} \simeq H^{*}(\mathbb{P}_{\mathcal{T}}, \mathbb{Z}) \otimes \mathcal{O}_{\mathcal{T}}$$
(107)

$$\mathcal{W}_n H^n(\widetilde{\mathbb{T}} \operatorname{rel} \widetilde{\mathsf{Z}}_{\mathsf{s}-1}) \otimes \mathcal{O}_{\mathcal{T}} \simeq c_\kappa(\mathbb{E}_{\mathcal{T}}) H^*(\mathbb{P}_{\mathcal{T}}, \mathbb{Z}) \otimes \mathcal{O}_{\mathcal{T}}$$
 (108)

(f) The monodromy representation is isomorphic to the representation of  $Pic(\mathbb{P}_{\mathcal{T}})$  on  $H^*(\mathbb{P}_{\mathcal{T}},\mathbb{Z})$  (resp. on  $c_{\kappa}(\mathbb{E}_{\mathcal{T}}) H^*(\mathbb{P}_{\mathcal{T}},\mathbb{Z})$ ) in which the Chern class  $c_1(\mathcal{L})$  of a line bundle  $\mathcal{L}$  acts as multiplication by  $\exp(c_1(\mathcal{L}))$ .

**Proof:** (i): corollary 1. (ii): theorems 5 and 8, formulas (18) and (78). (iii): formulas (46), (48), (65) and theorem 7. (iv): corollary 3 and theorem 6. (va): proposition 3. (vb): theorem 9 and corollary 1. (vc): section 9. (vd): section 9. (ve): (104) and (105). (vf): formula (21).

All cases which have on the A-side of mirror symmetry a smooth complete intersection Calabi-Yau variety in a smooth projective toric variety, are covered by this theorem. Indeed, a smooth projective toric variety  $\mathbb{P}$  of dimension d can be constructed from a complete simplicial fan in which every maximal cone is generated by a basis of the lattice  $\mathbb{Z}^d$ . Let  $u_1, \ldots, u_p \in \mathbb{Z}^d$  be the generators of the 1-dimensional cones in the fan and let

$$\overline{\mathbb{L}} := \{ (m_1, \ldots, m_p) \in \mathbb{Z}^p \mid m_1 \mathsf{u}_1 + \ldots m_p \mathsf{u}_p = 0 \}$$

The toric variety  $\mathbb{P}$  can also be obtained as the quotient of a certain open part of  $\mathbb{C}^p$  by the action of the subtorus  $\overline{\mathbb{L}} \otimes \mathbb{C}^*$  of  $(\mathbb{C}^*)^p$ . The Calabi-Yau complete intersection Y of codimension  $\kappa$  in  $\mathbb{P}$  is the common zero locus of polynomials  $P_1, \ldots, P_{\kappa}$  which are homogeneous for the action of  $\overline{\mathbb{L}} \otimes \mathbb{C}^*$ . The homogeneity of  $P_i$  is given by a character of this torus, i.e. by a linear map  $\chi_i : \overline{\mathbb{L}} \to \mathbb{Z}$ . Now set  $N = p + \kappa$  and  $n = d + \kappa$ . Let

$$\mathbb{L} := \{ (-\chi_1(\mathsf{m}), \dots, -\chi_{\kappa}(\mathsf{m}), m_1, \dots, m_p) \in \mathbb{Z}^N \mid \mathsf{m} = (m_1, \dots, m_p) \in \overline{\mathbb{L}} \}.$$

Then  $\mathbb{L}$  has rank N-n. The Calabi-Yau condition for Y implies  $\ell_1 + \ldots + \ell_N = 0$  for every  $\ell = (\ell_1, \ldots, \ell_N) \in \mathbb{L}$ .

Let B be an  $(N - n) \times N$ -matrix with entries in  $\mathbb{Z}$  such that the columns of B<sup>t</sup> constitute a basis for  $\mathbb{L}$ . Let A be an  $n \times N$ -matrix of rank n with entries

in  $\mathbb{Z}$  such that  $\mathsf{A} \cdot \mathsf{B}^t = 0$ . Then the columns  $\mathfrak{a}_1, \ldots, \mathfrak{a}_N$  of  $\mathsf{A}$  satisfy condition 1. One obtains a regular triangulation of  $\Delta := \operatorname{conv} \{\mathfrak{a}_1, \ldots, \mathfrak{a}_N\}$  which satisfies the three conditions (81), (82), (83), by taking as its maximal simplices all  $\operatorname{conv} \{\mathfrak{a}_1, \ldots, \mathfrak{a}_{\kappa}, \mathfrak{a}_{\kappa+i_1}, \ldots, \mathfrak{a}_{\kappa+i_d}\}$  for which  $\mathsf{u}_{i_1}, \ldots, \mathsf{u}_{i_d}$  span a maximal cone in the fan defining  $\mathbb{P}$ .

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