

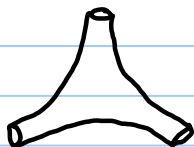
## Talk 2

So, we want to understand  $\mathcal{F}(\mathbb{C}P^{n-2}, D^n)$ .

The first step is to understand  $\mathcal{F}(\mathbb{C}P^{n-2} \setminus D)$ .

$\mathbb{C}P^{n-2} \setminus D$  is called the 'pair of pants'  
"  $n$  hyperplanes

When  $n=3$ , it is



(and in higher dim's, Mikhalkin explains how to use tropical geometry to decompose hypersurfaces into pairs of pants).

Prop: There exists an exact Lagrangian immersion

$$L: S^{n-2} \hookrightarrow \mathbb{C}P^{n-2} \setminus D$$

so that

① This is defined!

$$\begin{aligned} \text{① } CF^*(L, L) &\cong HF^*(L, L) \quad (\text{i.e. } \mu^1 = 0) \\ &\cong \wedge^* \mathbb{C}^n \quad (\text{as an algebra}) \\ &\cong \mathbb{C}[\theta_1, \dots, \theta_n] \end{aligned}$$

(in  $\mathcal{F}(\mathbb{C}P^{n-2} \setminus D)$ .  $L^1$  has non-triv. spin str.!)

$$\text{② } \mu^n(\underline{z}, \dots, \underline{z}) = \pm z_1 \dots z_n$$

dummy variables

$$\text{where } \underline{z} = \frac{1}{2} z_1 \theta_1 + \dots + \frac{1}{2} z_n \theta_n$$

(still in  $\mathcal{F}(\mathbb{C}P^{n-2} \setminus D)$ )

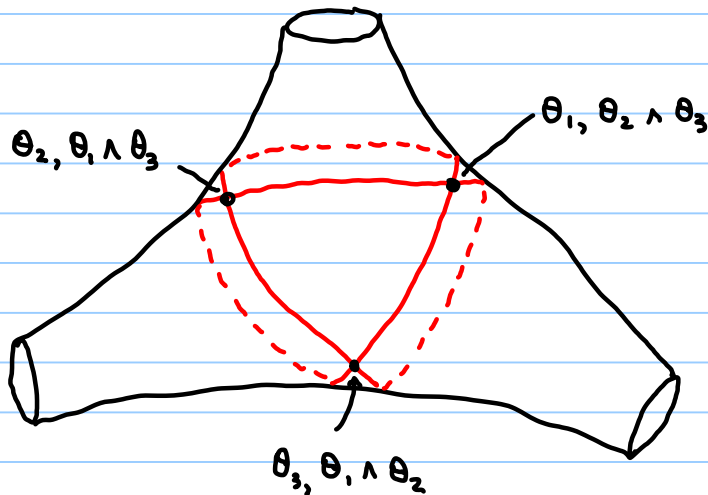
③ In  $F(\mathbb{C}P^{n-2}, D)$ , we have

$$\mu^1(\theta_i) = \pm r_i \cdot 1 + O(r^2).$$

(N.B. Implicitly determines grading)

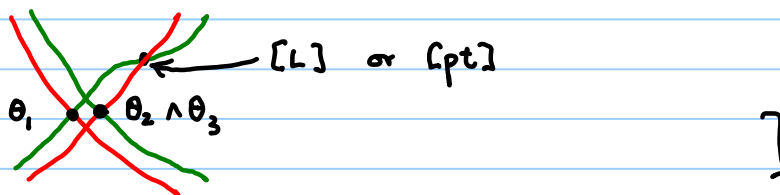
[Do this by counting discs... it will turn out these determine everything else, as we will see next time].

E.g. When  $n=3$ ,  $L$  looks like:



$$CF^*(L, L) = \mathbb{C}\langle [L], [pt], \theta_1, \theta_2, \theta_3, \theta_1 \wedge \theta_2, \theta_1 \wedge \theta_3, \theta_2 \wedge \theta_3 \rangle$$

[explain why get two generators per self-intersection:



Check:  $\bullet \mu^1 = 0$

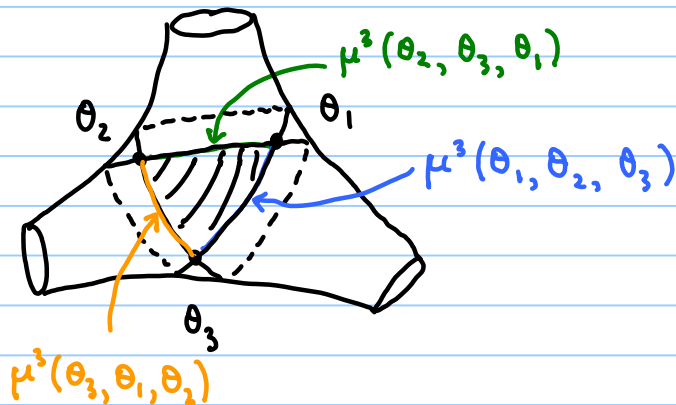
$$\left. \begin{aligned} \bullet \mu^2(\theta_1, \theta_2) &= \theta_1 \wedge \theta_2 \\ \bullet \mu^2(\theta_2, \theta_1) &= -\theta_1 \wedge \theta_2 \end{aligned} \right\} \text{triangles}$$

$$\bullet \mu^2(\theta_1, \theta_2 \wedge \theta_3) = [pt] \quad (\text{Poincaré duality})$$

- $\mu^2([L], x) = x$  (unitality)

⇒ ①

- $\mu^3(\frac{z}{z}, \frac{z}{z}, \frac{z}{z}) = \pm z_1 z_2 z_3$



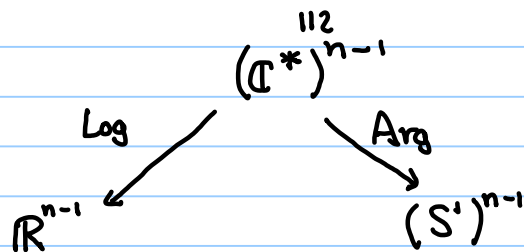
⇒ ②

- $\mu^1(\theta_i) = \pm \tau_i \cdot 1$  in  $\mathcal{F}(\mathbb{C}P^1, D)$  :



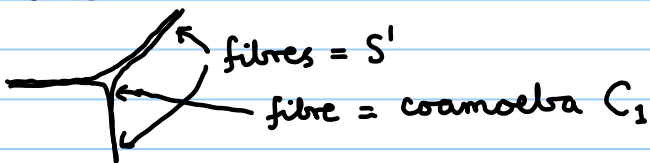
Now, how do things work in higher dimensions?

$$\mathbb{C}P^{n-2} \setminus D \stackrel{ii}{=} \mathbb{P}^{n-2} = \{\sum z_i = 0\} \subset \mathbb{C}P^{n-1} \setminus \cup \{z_i = 0\}$$

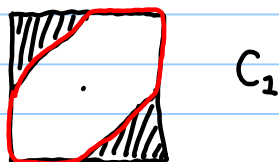


$\text{Log}(\mathcal{P}^{n-2}) = \text{"amoeba"}$

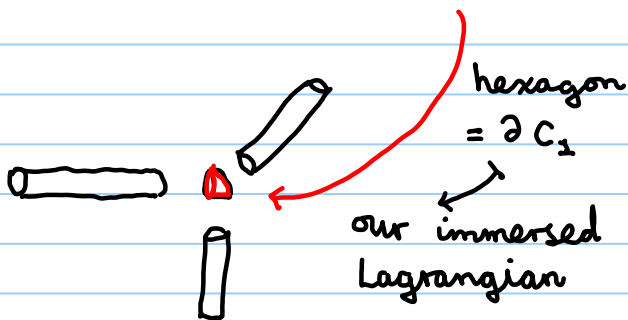
$n=3$



$\text{Arg}(\mathcal{P}^{n-2}) = \text{"coamoeba"}$



Picture:



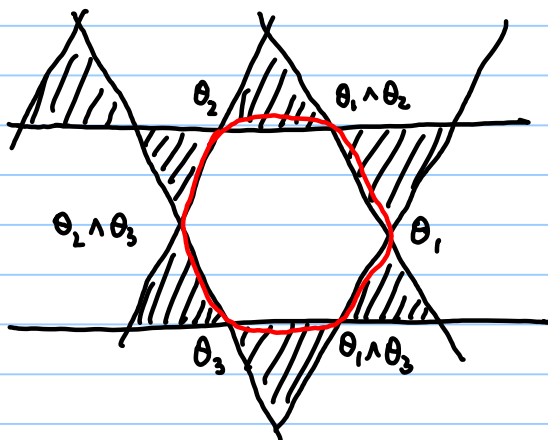
Note:  $(\theta_1, \theta_2, \theta_3) \in (S^1)^3 / S^1$  lie in  $\text{Arg}(\mathcal{P}^1)$

only if  $\sum r_j e^{i\theta_j} = 0$  for some  $j$

$\Leftrightarrow e^{i\theta_1}, e^{i\theta_2}, e^{i\theta_3}$  are not contained in a halfspace

$\Rightarrow \overline{\text{Arg}(\mathcal{P}^1)}^c = \text{int}([0, \pi]^3) \subset (S^1)^3 / S^1$ .

A more symmetric picture of univ. cover:



self-intersections

$\downarrow$   
vertices  
"

$(\pi, 0, 0)$   $\theta_1$

$(0, \pi, 0)$   $\theta_2$

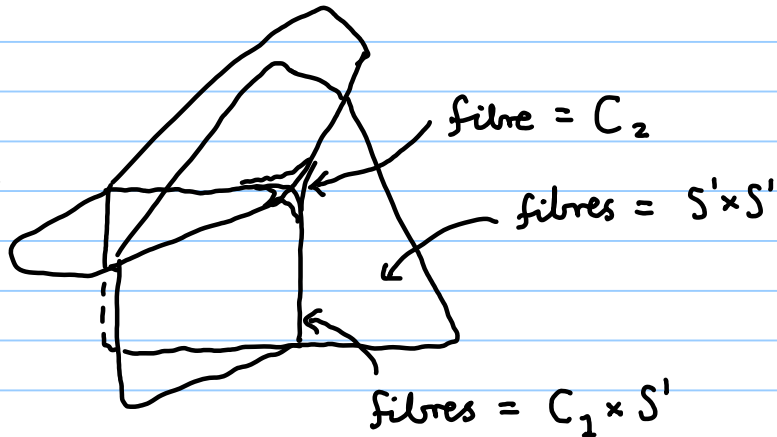
$(0, 0, \pi)$   $\theta_3$

$(\pi, \pi, 0)$   $\theta_1 \wedge \theta_2$

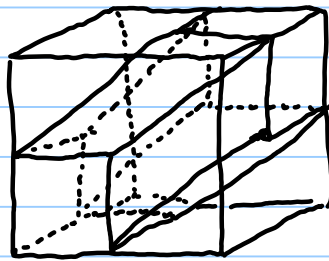
...

$n=4$ :

$\text{Log}(\mathcal{P}^2) =$



Again,  $C_2 = \text{im}([0, \pi)^4) \subset (S^1)^4 / S^1$



"rhombic  
dodecahedron"

Self-intersections = vertices

$$= \pi \cdot (\mathbb{Z}_2)^4 \setminus \{(0, 0, 0, 0), (\pi, \pi, \pi, \pi)\}$$

$\leftrightarrow$  generators of  $\mathbb{C}[\theta_1, \theta_2, \theta_3, \theta_4]$   
except 1 and  $\theta_1 \wedge \dots \wedge \theta_4$ :  
those correspond to  $H^*(S^2)$ .

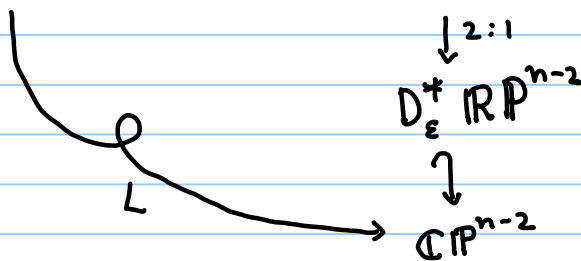
Lem: We have a Lagrangian immersion

$$L: S^{n-2} \hookrightarrow \mathcal{P}^{n-2}$$

so that  $\text{Arg} \circ L$  approximates  $\partial \mathcal{C}^{n-2}$ ,  
and self-intersections are in 1-1  
correspondence with vertices.

Construction: Take a Weinstein nbhd for  $\mathbb{R}P^{n-2} \subset \mathbb{C}P^{n-2}$ . Construct  $L$  as

$$S^{n-2} = \Gamma(\epsilon df) \subset D_\epsilon^* S^{n-2}$$



Problem:  $L$  must avoid  $D$ . Note  $D$  intersects  $\mathbb{R}P^{n-2}$  in hyperplanes  $D_i = \{z_i = 0\}$ , but as long as  $\nabla f$  is transverse to these hyperplanes, pushing off by  $\epsilon df$  will push  $L$  off of  $D$ .

[if we make the embedding

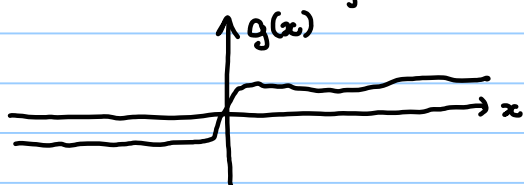
$$D_\epsilon^* \mathbb{R}P^{n-2} \hookrightarrow \mathbb{C}P^{n-2}$$

be  $J$ -holomorphic along  $\mathbb{R}P^{n-2}$ , i.e. take  $\partial_t(p, t\theta) := J(q^{-1}\theta)$  as  $J$  on  $D^*\mathbb{R}P^{n-2}$ ].

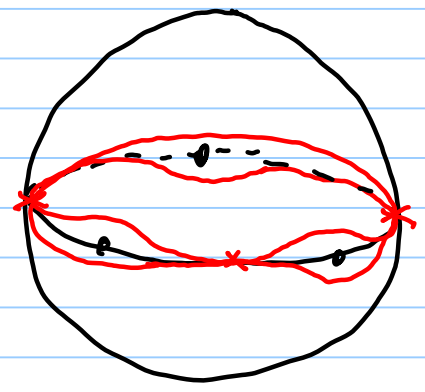
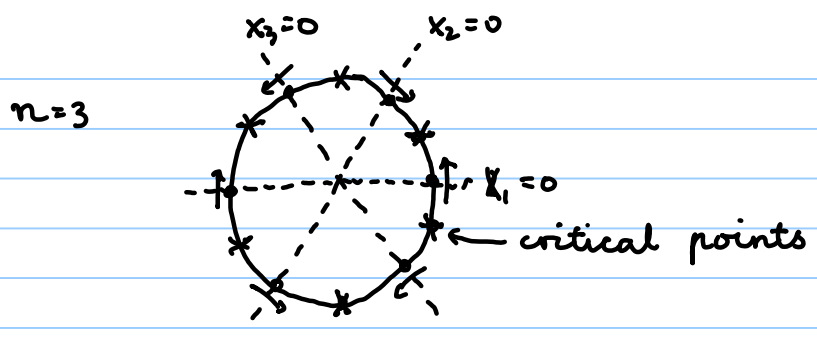
$$S^{n-2} = \{(x_1, \dots, x_n) \in \mathbb{R}^n : \sum x_i = 0, \sum x_i^2 = 1\}$$

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \downarrow 2:1 & & \downarrow \\ \mathbb{R}P^{n-2} & & [x_1 : \dots : x_n] \end{array}$$

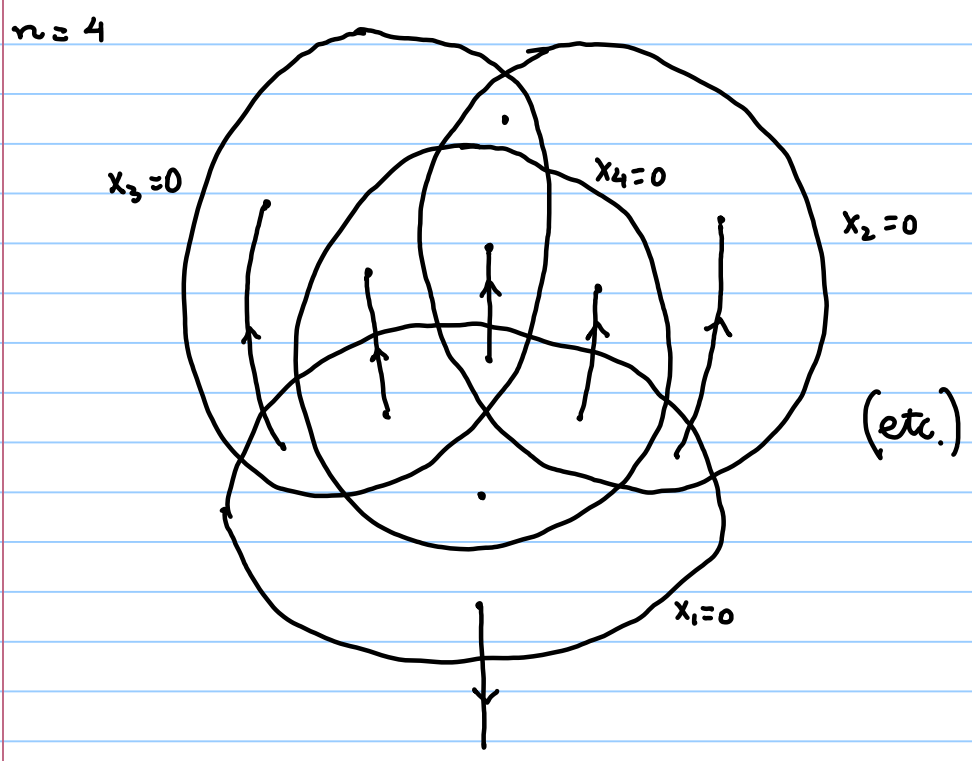
We take  $f := \sum_j g(x_j)$  where:



So we can draw  $\nabla f$ :



Note  $g$  is odd  $\Rightarrow$  so is  $f$ , so  $L$  has self-intersections precisely at the critical points of  $f$  (otherwise the two sheets of  $S^{n-2}$  get pushed in opposite directions).



The hyperplanes split  $S^{n-2}$  into regions indexed by subsets

$$K \subset \{1, \dots, n\},$$

namely  $S_K := \{x_i > 0 \text{ for } i \in K, x_i < 0 \text{ for } i \notin K\}$ .

All subsets except  $K = \emptyset, \{1, \dots, n\}$  are realized.

$f$  is Morse, with one critical point  $p_K$  in each region: So

$$\begin{aligned} CF^*(L, L) &\cong C^*(S^{n-2}) \oplus \bigoplus_{\substack{K \subset [n] \\ K \neq \emptyset, [n]}} \mathbb{C} \cdot p_K \\ &\cong \mathbb{C}[\theta_1, \dots, \theta_n] \quad (\text{as vec. space}). \end{aligned}$$

(\*)  $L$  can be lifted to a cover, where it's embedded

Also note: Arg sends critical point  $p_K$  to vertex

$$\pi \cdot \sum_{i \notin K} e_i \in \left( \mathbb{R}^n / 2\pi \mathbb{Z}^n \right) / \left( \mathbb{R} / 2\pi \mathbb{Z} \right)$$

↑  
i-th coord vector

of  $C^{n-2}$ . In fact it crushes everything in  $S_K$  to this point, but as we cross a hypersurface, one variable  $x_i$  changes from Arg =  $\pi$  to Arg = 0 via Arg  $\in (0, \pi)$ :



So Arg maps the hyperplane arrangement to  $C^{n-2}$ , realizing a duality with the polytope.



Note: you can see what the  $H_1$ -degrees of our generators  $\theta_i$  are from the coamoeba picture. Namely,

$$H_1(\mathbb{P}^{n-2}) \cong \mathbb{Z}^n / \mathbb{Z}$$

and  $p_K$  has degree  $\sum_{i \notin K} e_i$ .

So there are no possible differentials between these classes:

$$CF^*(L, L) \cong HF^*(L, L) \cong \mathbb{C}[\theta_1, \dots, \theta_n]$$

And the only possible products have the form

$$\mu^2(p_K, p_J) = p_L$$

where either

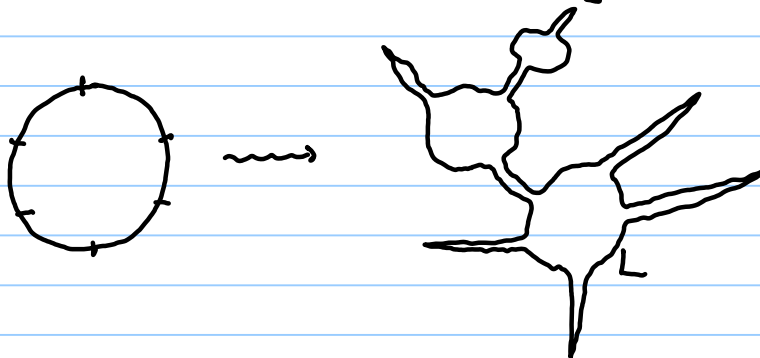
- $L = K \cup J$
- $K \cup J = \{1, \dots, n\}$  and  $L = K \cap J$ .

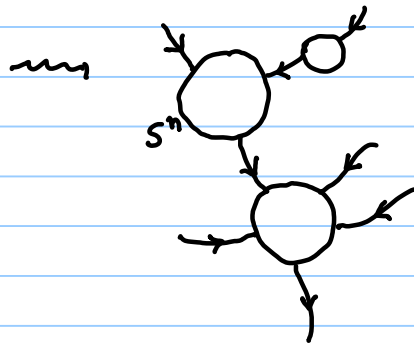
(if we consider full  $\mathbb{Z} \rightarrow H_1(\mathbb{C}^*)$  grading, only first one can happen).

How to compute that  $\mu^2(p_J, p_K) = \pm p_{J \cup K}$ ?

Consider the limit as  $L \rightsquigarrow$  double cover of  $\mathbb{R}P^{n-2}$

Holomorphic discs  $\rightsquigarrow$  'nearly trees':





$$CF_{\text{nearly}}^*(L, L) = CM^*(f) \oplus CM^*(h)$$

↑  
Morse function on  $S^n$

$$\cong \mathbb{C}[\theta_1, \dots, \theta_n].$$


Also operations defined by counting 'nearby trees':  
 'boundary' comes with a lift to  $S^n$ ;  
 flowlines are flowlines of  $f$  (if opposite sides of the edge are labelled by opposite sheets of the double cover) or  $h$  (if opposite sides are labelled by the same sheet).

One can define 'intersection number' of a nearby tree with  $D$ : if  $\partial(D_{\text{disc}})$  crosses  $D_{\mathbb{R}}$  in positive direction: +0  
neg direction: +1



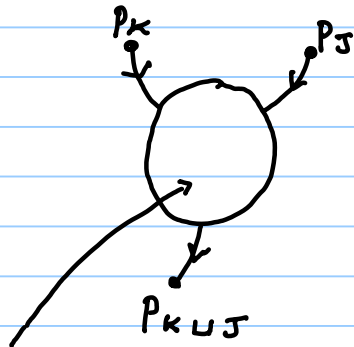
if an  $f$ -flowline crosses  $D_{\mathbb{R}}$ : +1 

" "  $h$ -flowline " " : +0 

internal intersections with  $D$ : +1. 

To start with, we only care about  $F(\mathbb{P}^{n-2})$ ,  
 so count nearly trees with int. # = 0.

Let's determine the coefficient of  $P_{JK}$   
 in  $\mu^2(p_J, p_K)$ . Int. # = 0  $\Rightarrow$  total degree  
 of curve is 1  $\Rightarrow$  we have half a real  
 'line' in  $\mathbb{C}\mathbb{P}^n$ ;



line hitting ascending mflds of  $p_K, p_J$ ,  
 descending mfld of  $p_{K \cup J}$ .

Let  $F_{K_1, \dots, K_r} := \{x \in S^n : x_i = x_j \forall i, j \in K_l, \forall l\}$

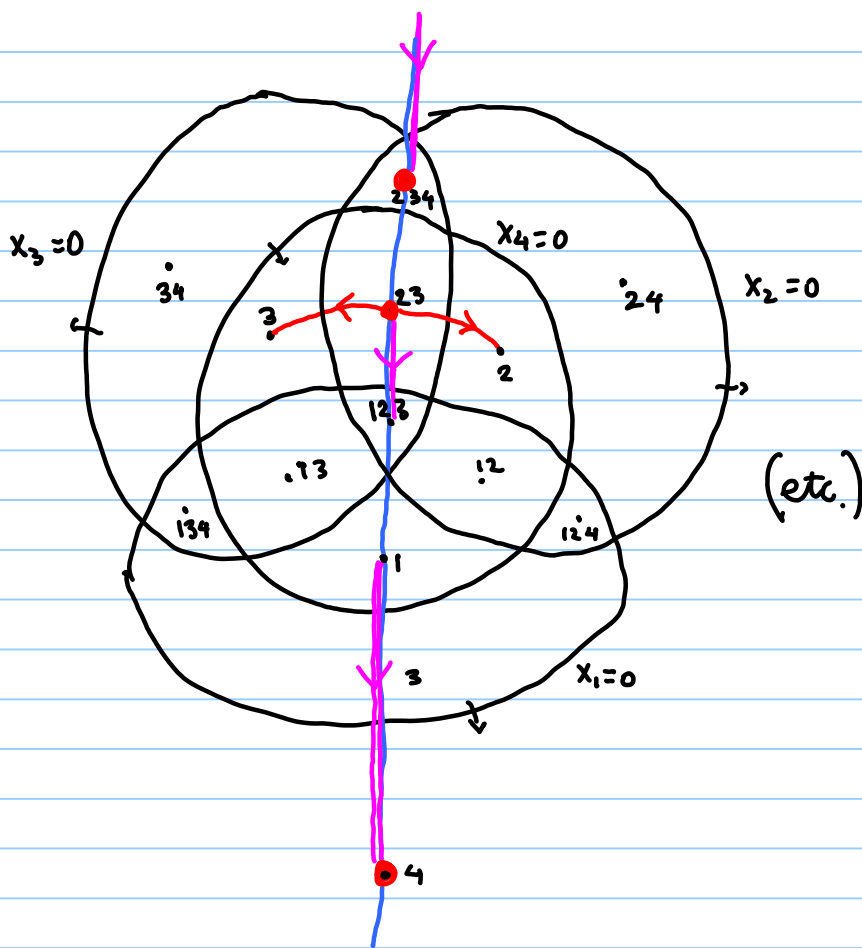
Then by symmetry, asc. mfld of  $p_K$  is  
 an open subset of  $F_{\bar{K}}$ , desc. mfld is an open  
 subset of  $F_K$ .

If a line hits the subspaces  $F_{\bar{K}_1}, F_{\bar{K}_2}$ ,  
 it is contained in  $F_{\bar{J}} \cap \bar{K} = \overline{F_{JK}}$

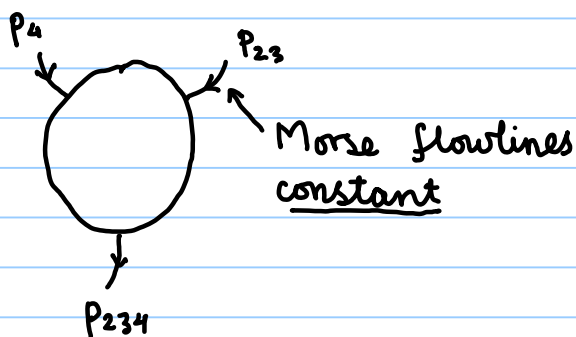
This intersects  $F_{JK}$  in a unique  
 point  $p_{JK}$ : so the unique line  
 hitting  $F_{\bar{J}}, F_{\bar{K}}, F_{JK}$  is  $F_{\bar{J}, K, \overline{JK}}$ ,

hitting  $p_J, p_K, p_{JK}$ .

E.g.



So in our nearly tree:



We need a lift of the boundary to  $S^2$ :  
see in purple above.

$$\text{So, } \mu^2(p_j, p_k) = \pm p_{jkl}.$$

$$\text{Claim: } \mu^2(p_i, p_j) = -\mu^2(p_j, p_i).$$

Ⓢ My paper is not fully justified here! Erratum at some stage...

Cor:  $(CF^*(L, L), \mu^2) \cong \mathbb{C}[\theta_1, \dots, \theta_n]$ .

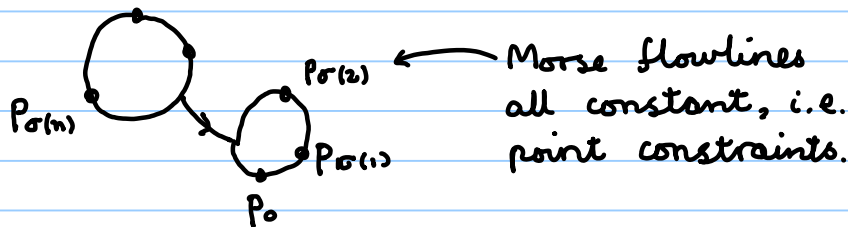
This proves ①.

Next, we want to know about higher products.

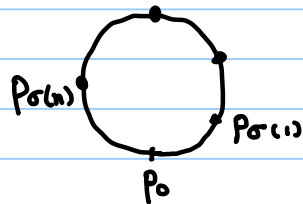
Gradings  $\rightsquigarrow \mu^n(\theta_{\sigma(1)}, \dots, \theta_{\sigma(n)}) = c \cdot 1$ .

(Note: sum of  $H_1$ -gradings is  $e_1 + \dots + e_n = 0$  in  $\mathbb{Z}^n/\mathbb{Z}$ ).

What is  $c$ ? It counts nearly trees:



Topology...  $\Rightarrow$  must have



and  $\text{int} \# = 0 \Rightarrow \text{deg} = n - 2$ .

Veronese's thm:  $\exists!$   $\text{deg} = (n-2)$  curve through  $n+1$  gen. points in  $\mathbb{C}P^{n-2}$  (e.g.  $n=3, 4$ ). In fact you can solve for it explicitly.

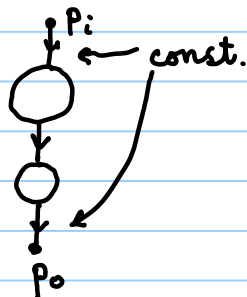
Miracle: it comes with a unique lift of the boundary, swapping sheets at each  $p_i$  (but not  $p_0$ ); and this lift crosses each  $D_i^{\mathbb{R}}$   $n$  times, always positively: so the intersection number is  $0!$

Thus,  $\mu^n(p_{\sigma(1)}, \dots, p_{\sigma(n)}) = \begin{cases} \pm 1 & \text{for one } \sigma \\ 0 & \text{for all others} \end{cases}$

This proves ②.

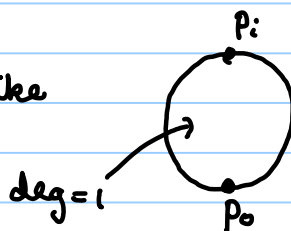
Finally, ③:  $\mu^1(p_i) = \pm \tau_i \cdot 1 + O(r^2)$ .

Once again, this counts nearly trees:



int. # with  $D_i$  is 1,  
with all other  $D_j$   
is 0.

$\rightsquigarrow$  has to look like



$\Rightarrow$  half a real line  $\mathbb{C}P^1 \subset \mathbb{C}P^n$ , through  $p_i$  and  $p_0$ . This specifies line uniquely. Then choose a half, and a lift of the boundary to  $S^n$ , swapping sheets at  $p_i$  but not at  $p_0$ ... there's a unique choice, and it crosses all  $D_j$  positively but  $D_i$  negatively!

E.g.

