

# TORIC IDEAS FOR SPECIAL GEOMETRIES

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# OUTLINE

- 1 SYMPLECTIC BACKGROUND
- 2 MULTI-HAMILTONIAN ACTIONS
- 3 Spin(7)
- 4 NEARLY KÄHLER

## SYMPLECTIC CONSTRUCTIONS

$\omega$  symplectic form: degree 2, closed, non-degenerate

$X$  symmetry:  $\mathcal{L}_X \omega = 0$

moment map:  $\mu_X : M \rightarrow \mathbb{R}, \quad d\mu_X = \omega(X, \cdot)$

## FLAT SPACE

$M = \mathbb{R}^{2n}$  coordinates  $(x_1, \dots, x_n, y_1, \dots, y_n)$

$\omega = dx_1 \wedge dy_1 + \dots + dx_n \wedge dy_n$

$X = c_1 \left( y_1 \frac{\partial}{\partial x_1} - x_1 \frac{\partial}{\partial y_1} \right) + \dots + c_n \left( y_n \frac{\partial}{\partial x_n} - x_n \frac{\partial}{\partial y_n} \right)$

$\mu_X = \frac{1}{2} (c_1 (x_1^2 + y_1^2) + \dots + c_n (x_n^2 + y_n^2)) + c$

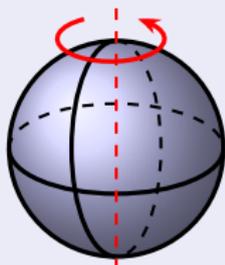
# DELZANT CONSTRUCTION

$(M^{2n}, \omega)$  compact symplectic with Hamiltonian action of torus  $T^n$ :  
invariant function  $\mu: M \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n = \text{Lie}(T^n)^*$  with

$$d\langle \mu, X \rangle = \omega(X, \cdot) \quad \forall X \in \mathbb{R}^n = \text{Lie}(T^n)$$

## DELZANT (1988)

Compact symplectic  
toric manifolds



correspond to

Delzant polytopes



Polytopes in  $\mathbb{R}^n$  with normal vectors in  $\mathbb{Z}^n$  and the normals at intersections of faces being part of a  $\mathbb{Z}$ -basis for  $\mathbb{Z}^n$ .

- $b_1(M^{2n}) = 0 \implies$  every symplectic torus  $T^k$  action is Hamiltonian
- then  $\omega$  pulls back to 0 on each torus orbit, so  $k \leq n$

The Delzant dimensions are such that

$$\dim(M^{2n}/T^n) = n = \dim(\text{codomain } \mu)$$

Can be used for non-compact  $M$ , e.g. Karshon and Lerman (2015)

## TORIC CALABI-YAU

Include symplectic quotients of  $\mathbb{R}^{2N} = \mathbb{C}^N$  by subtori of  $T^N$  whose weights sum to zero.

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbb{C}^4 // \text{diag}(e^{it}, e^{it}, e^{-it}, e^{-it}) &= \mu^{-1}(0)/T^1 \\ &= (\mathcal{O}(-1) \oplus \mathcal{O}(-1) \rightarrow \mathbb{C}P(1)) \end{aligned}$$

Tian and Yau (1991), ..., Goto (2012)

Futaki, Ono, and Wang (2009)

## RICCI-FLAT SPECIAL HOLONOMY

Ricci-flat geometries in the Berger holonomy classification 1955, ...

Name	Holonomy	Dimension	Form degrees
Calabi-Yau	$SU(n)$	$2n$	$2, n, n$
HyperKähler	$Sp(n)$	$4n$	$2, 2, 2$
$G_2$ holonomy	$G_2$	$7$	$3, 4$
Spin(7) holonomy	Spin(7)	$8$	$4$

In these cases

- the forms specify the geometry
- holonomy reduction  $\iff$  the forms are closed

## MULTI-HAMILTONIAN TORUS ACTIONS

$(M, \alpha)$  manifold with closed  $\alpha \in \Omega^p(M)$  preserved by  $T^k$  is **multi-Hamiltonian** if there is an invariant

$$\begin{aligned} \nu: M &\rightarrow \Lambda^{p-1}(\text{Lie}(T^k)^*) \cong \mathbb{R}^N, \\ d\langle \nu, X_1 \wedge \cdots \wedge X_{p-1} \rangle &= \alpha(X_1, \dots, X_{p-1}, \cdot) \end{aligned}$$

for all  $X_i \in \text{Lie}(T^k)$ .

- $b_1(M) = 0 \implies$  each  $T^k$ -action preserving  $\alpha$  is multi-Hamiltonian
- then  $\alpha$  pulls-back to 0 on each  $T^k$ -orbit

Geometry is **toric** if multi-Hamiltonian for  $T^k$  and

$$\dim(M/T^k) = \dim(\text{codomain } \nu)$$

## A RICCI-FLAT HIERARCHY

dimension	4	6	7	8
holonomies	Sp(1)	SU(3)	$G_2$	Spin(7)
closed forms	$\omega_1, \omega_2, \omega_3$	$\omega, \Omega_+, \Omega_-$	$\varphi, *_7\varphi$	$\Phi$
degrees	2, 2, 2	2, 3, 3	3, 4	4
Toric group	$S^1$	$T^2$	$T^3$	$T^4$
Extension		$M^4 \times S^1 \times \mathbb{R}$	$M^6 \times S^1$	$M^7 \times S^1$

$$\begin{aligned} \omega_1 &= e^{45} + e^{67}, & \omega_2 &= e^{46} + e^{75}, & \omega_3 &= e^{47} + e^{56} \\ \omega &= e^{23} - \omega_1, & \Omega_+ &= -e^2 \wedge \omega_2 - e^3 \wedge \omega_3, & \Omega_- &= -e^3 \omega_2 + e^2 \wedge \omega_3 \\ \varphi &= e^1 \wedge \omega + \Omega_+ & *_7\varphi &= \Omega_- \wedge e^1 + \frac{1}{2}\omega^2 \\ \Phi &= e^0 \wedge \varphi + *_7\varphi \end{aligned}$$

# TORIC Spin(7)

$(M^8, \Phi)$  with toric  $T^4$  generated by  $U_i, i = 0, 1, 2, 3$ , multi-moment map  $\nu = (\nu_0, \nu_1, \nu_2, \nu_3)$

$$d\nu_i = (-1)^i \Phi(U_j \wedge U_k \wedge U_\ell, \cdot) \quad (ijk\ell) = (0123)$$

On the open dense set  $M_0$  where  $T^4$  acts freely

$$\Phi = \det(V) \left( \sum_{ijk\ell} (-1)^i (\theta_i \wedge d\nu_{jke} + \theta_{jke} \wedge d\nu_i) + \frac{1}{2} (d\nu^t V^{-1} \theta)^2 \right)$$

$$g = \theta^t V^{-1} \theta + \det(V) d\nu^t V^{-1} d\nu$$

for  $V = (g(U_i, U_j))^{-1}$ ,  $\theta = (\theta_0, \theta_1, \theta_2, \theta_3)$  connection one-forms

## SMOOTH BEHAVIOUR

## THEOREM

*Holonomy is contained in Spin(7) (i.e.  $d\Phi = 0$ ) if and only if*

$$\operatorname{div} V = 0 \quad \text{and} \quad L(V) + Q(dV) = 0$$

$$\operatorname{div}(V)_a = \sum_{i=0}^3 \frac{\partial V_{ia}}{\partial v_i}$$

$$L(V)_{ab} = \sum_{i,j=0}^3 V_{ij} \frac{\partial^2 V_{ab}}{\partial v_i \partial v_j}, \quad Q(dV)_{ab} = - \sum_{i,j=0}^3 \frac{\partial V_{ia}}{\partial v_j} \frac{\partial V_{jb}}{\partial v_i}$$

Note

$$L(V) + Q(dV) = \sum_{i,j=0}^3 \frac{\partial^2}{\partial v_i \partial v_j} (V_{ij} V_{ab} - V_{ib} V_{ja})$$

## SPECIALISATIONS

Holonomy in  $G_2$ ,  $SU(3)$  and  $Sp(1)$  from  $V = \begin{pmatrix} * & 0 \\ 0 & 1_r \end{pmatrix}$ ,  $r = 1, 2, 3$

$$\dim 4, Sp(1), V = \begin{pmatrix} V_{00} & 0 \\ 0 & 1_3 \end{pmatrix}$$

$\operatorname{div} V = 0 \iff V_{00} = V_{00}(v_1, v_2, v_3) \implies Q(dV) = 0$  and  $L(V) = 0$   
has only one scalar equation  $\Delta_{\mathbb{R}^3} V_{33} = 0$ ,  $V_{33}$  is harmonic on  
domain(s) in  $\mathbb{R}^3$ .

$$\dim 6, SU(3), V = \begin{pmatrix} V_{00} & V_{01} & 0 \\ V_{01} & V_{11} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1_2 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\frac{\partial V_{00}}{\partial v_0} + \frac{\partial V_{01}}{\partial v_1} = 0, \quad \frac{\partial V_{01}}{\partial v_0} + \frac{\partial V_{11}}{\partial v_1} = 0$$

$$\frac{\partial^2}{\partial v_i \partial v_j} \det V + (-1)^{i+j} \left( \frac{\partial^2}{\partial v_2^2} + \frac{\partial^2}{\partial v_3^2} \right) V_{1-i,1-j} = 0 \quad i, j = 0, 1$$

## EXPLICIT FULL HOLONOMY

## HOLONOMY = Spin(7)

$$V = \text{diag}(\nu_1, \nu_2, \nu_3, \nu_0) > 0$$

$$g = \sum_{i=0}^3 \frac{1}{\nu_{i+1}} \theta_i^2 + \nu_{i+2} \nu_{i+3} \nu_i dv_i^2 \quad d\theta_i = (-1)^{i+1} \nu_{i+2} dv_{i+2} \wedge dv_{i+3}$$

HOLONOMY =  $G_2$ 

$$V = \text{diag}(1, \nu_0, \nu_0, \nu_0) > 0$$

$$g = \frac{1}{\nu_0} \sum_{i=1}^3 \theta_i^2 + \nu_0^3 dv_0^2 + \nu_0^2 \sum_{i=1}^3 dv_i^2 \quad d\theta_i = dv_j \wedge dv_k \text{ (ijk) = (123)}$$

Cf. Hein, Sun, Viaclovsky, and Zhang (2018)

## SINGULAR BEHAVIOUR

## THEOREM

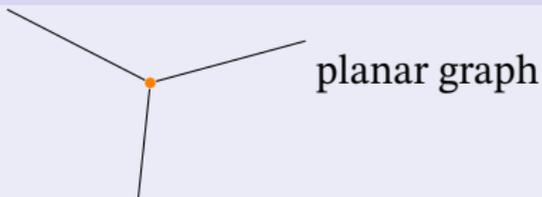
$\nu = (\nu_0, \nu_1, \nu_2, \nu_3)$  induces a local homeomorphism  $M/T^4 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^4$

Each stabiliser  $\text{Stab}_{T^4}(p)$  is a connected subtorus of  $T^4$  of rank  $\leq 2$   
 Image under  $\nu: M \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^4$

- $\dim(\text{Stab}_{T^4}) = 1$ : straight lines with rational slopes
- $\dim(\text{Stab}_{T^4}) = 2$ : points  
 with three straight lines meeting at point, sum of primitive tangents is zero

## FLAT MODEL

$M = T^2 \times \mathbb{C}^3, T^4 \leq T^2 \times \text{SU}(3)$



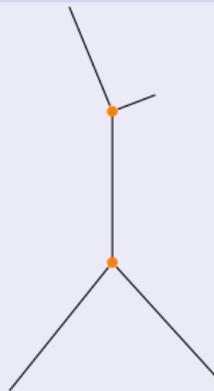
Li (2019) produced Taub-NUT family of complete metrics on  $\mathbb{C}^3$   
with above orbit structure

Other Calabi-Yau examples Mooney (2020)

### EXAMPLE

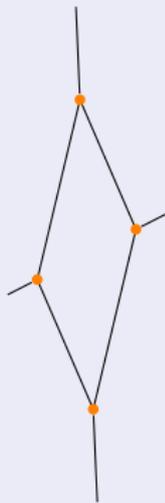
$S^1 \times (\text{Bryant-Salamon } G_2 \text{ metric on } S^3 \times \mathbb{R}^4)$ :

non-planar, but lies in  $\mathbb{R}^3 \subset \mathbb{R}^4$



## EXAMPLE

$S^1 \times$  Foscolo, Haskins, and Nordström (2018)  $G_2$ -example on  $M_{m,n}$ :  
 $M_{m,n}$  a circle bundle over the canonical bundle of  $\mathbb{C}P^1 \times \mathbb{C}P^1$  with  
 first Chern class  $(m, -n)$  over the zero section, symmetry group  
 $SU(2) \times SU(2) \times S^1$



Primitive directions

$$(m - n, 0, n)$$

$$(0, n - m, m)$$

$$(n - m, m - n, -m - n)$$

planar

## NEARLY KÄHLER IN DIMENSION 6

$(N^6, g, J, \sigma, \psi_+, \psi_-)$  is (strictly) nearly Kähler if  $M^7 = C(N^6)$ ,  $\phi = t^2 dt \wedge \sigma + t^3 \psi_+$  has holonomy in  $G_2$ . Equivalently

$$d\sigma = 3\psi_+ \quad \text{and} \quad d\psi_- = -2\sigma \wedge \sigma$$

GRAY (1976)  $(N^6, g)$  is positive Einstein

BUTRUILLE (2005) the homogeneous examples are

$$S^6 = G_2/SU(3), \quad \mathbb{C}P(3) = Sp(2)/U(2), \\ F_{1,2}(\mathbb{C}^3) = SU(3)/T^2 \quad \text{and} \quad S^3 \times S^3 = SU(2)^3/SU(2)$$

FOSCOLO AND HASKINS (2017) two new examples.

All known examples have symmetry group of rank at least 2, so  $T^2$  symmetry

CONJECTURE (MOROIANU AND NAGY 2019):  $T^3$  symmetry implies  $N^6 = S^3 \times S^3 = SU(2)^3/SU(2)$  cf. Dixon (2020)

## TWO-TORUS SYMMETRY

$T^2$  generated by vector fields  $U, V$

Multi-moment map  $\nu = \sigma(U, V) \quad d\nu = 3\psi_+(U, V, \cdot)$

- 1 0 is an interior point of the interval  $\nu(N) \subset \mathbb{R}$
- 2 the  $T^2$  action is free on  $\nu^{-1}(s)$  whenever  $s$  is a regular value
- 3  $\nu^{-1}(s)/T^2$  is then a smooth three manifold, parallelised by a coframe  $\beta_0, \beta_1, \beta_2$  satisfying

$$f d\beta_0 = \beta_1 \wedge \beta_2, \quad d\beta_1 \wedge \beta_0 = 0 = d\beta_2 \wedge \beta_0$$

$f = 4/(1 - s^2/\det G)$ ,  $G$  metric on  $T^2$ -fibre

- 4 can recover  $N$  via a geometric flow of the data  $\beta_0, \beta_1, \beta_2, G$

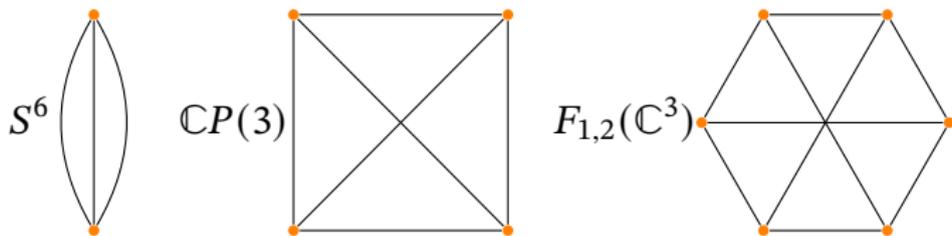
## SINGULAR BEHAVIOUR

Stabilisers are either  $T^2$ ,  $S^1$  or  $\mathbb{Z}_k$

$T^2$  and  $S^1$  stabilisers occur only in  $\nu^{-1}(0)$  and the quotient  $\nu^{-1}(0)/T^2$  is homeomorphic to a smooth three-manifold

Images of points with  $S^1$  stabiliser give curves in the three-manifold

Images of points with  $T^2$  stabiliser give vertices at which three such curves meet.



Non-zero critical points lie on holomorphic tori.

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