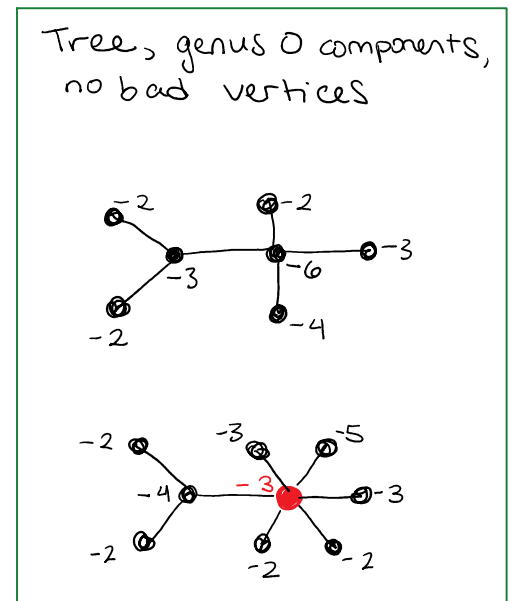
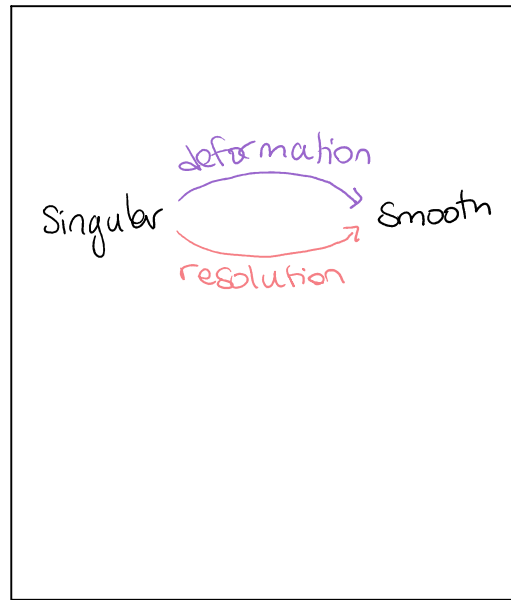
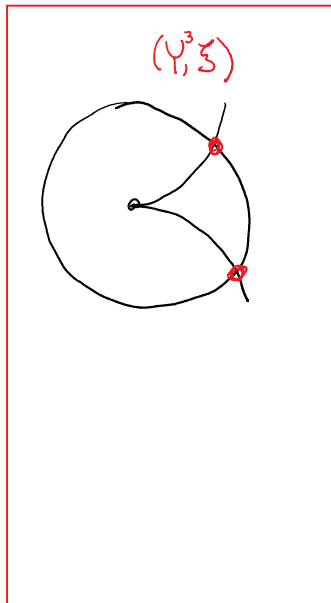


Joint with Olga Plamenevskaya

Contact link of a rational surface singularity with reduced fundamental cycle (RFC)



Theorem [Ghiggini-Golla-Plamenevskaya]

The contact link of a normal surface singularity is supported by a planar open book if and only if it is a rational singularity with reduced fundamental cycle.

Algebraic deformations of RFC singularities (and more generally sandwiched singularities) were studied in the 90's by de Jong and van Straten:

Theorem [dJvS] Let  $(X,0)$  be a RFC singularity. Then there is an associated plane curve singularity  $\mathcal{C}$  with weighted components and

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{c} \text{smoothings} \\ \text{of } (X,0) \end{array} \right\} \longleftrightarrow \left\{ \begin{array}{c} \text{picture deformations} \\ \text{of } \mathcal{C} \end{array} \right\}$$

Plane curve deformations are much easier to understand!

$$(X,0) \rightarrow (\mathcal{C}, \ell) \quad \text{weights}$$

Resolution of  $(X,0)$

$$-4$$

Add -1 curves with "curvetas"

$$-4$$

Blowdown

$$\begin{array}{c} -1 \\ \text{---} \\ \textcircled{1} \quad \textcircled{1} \quad \textcircled{1} \end{array}$$

Record # of blowdowns on each curveta for weights

$$\mathcal{C}_1 \quad \textcircled{2} \quad \textcircled{2} \quad \textcircled{2}$$

$$-3 \times -3$$

$$-3 \times -3$$

$$\begin{array}{c} -2 \quad -1 \\ \text{---} \\ \textcircled{1} \quad \textcircled{1} \quad \textcircled{1} \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{c} -1 \\ \text{---} \\ \textcircled{1} \quad \textcircled{2} \quad \textcircled{2} \end{array}$$

$$\mathcal{C}_2 \quad \textcircled{2} \quad \textcircled{3} \quad \textcircled{3}$$

## Picture Deformations

$$\mathcal{C}_1:$$

- Algebraic deformation
- "Immediate"
- Singularities are transverse intersections (multipoints ok)
- Weights = # marked points. All intersections are marked

$$\mathcal{C}_2:$$

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Symplectic/Stein fillings of the link  $(Y, \xi)$  generalize Milnor fibers  
(a priori)

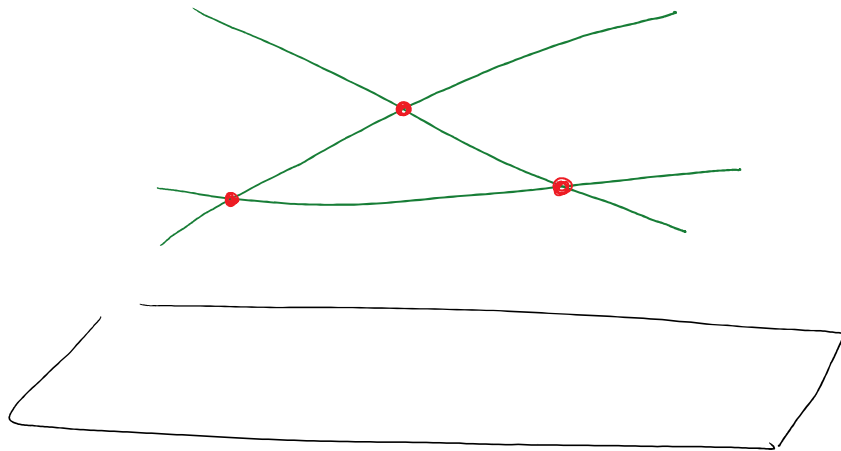
Can we understand all symplectic fillings?

Theorem [Plamenevskaya-S.]  $(Y, \xi)$  link of  $(X, \mathcal{O})$ .  $(\mathcal{C}, \ell)$  dJVS associated are

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{Symplectic fillings} \\ \text{of } (Y, \xi) \end{array} \right\} \longleftrightarrow \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{smooth graphically homotoped} \\ \text{ } \end{array} \right\}_{(\mathcal{C}, \ell)}$$

Similar to picture deformations  
but do not need to be  
algebraic or immediate

Proof: " $\leftarrow$ " (Building a symplectic filling from a curve arrangement)



$$\mathbb{C}^2 \setminus \nu(e)$$



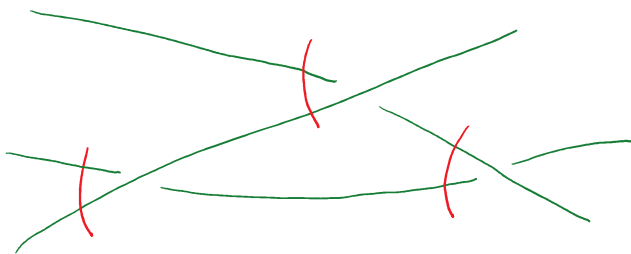
$$\mathbb{C}$$

Generic fibers:  
 $\mathbb{C} \setminus \{m \text{ holes}\}$

Non generic fibers:  
 $\mathbb{C} \setminus \{K < m \text{ points}\}$

NOT a Lefschetz  
 fibration

blow up at  
 marked points



proper transform

$$\mathbb{C}^2 \#_n \overline{\mathbb{CP}^2} \setminus \tilde{e}$$



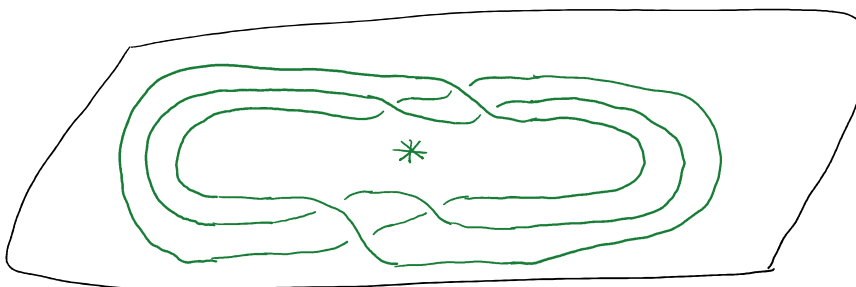
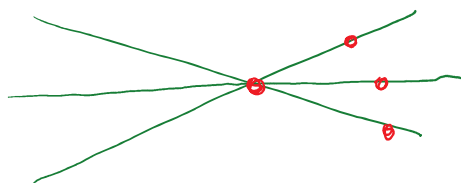
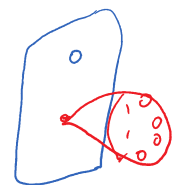
$$\mathbb{C}$$

Generic fibers:  
 $\mathbb{C} \setminus \{m \text{ holes}\}$

Non generic  
 fibers:

Nodal genus 0  
 w/  $m$  holes

This is a  
 Lefschetz  
 fibration!



Monodromy of open book  
 on the boundary is  
 independent of the  
 (compactly supported)

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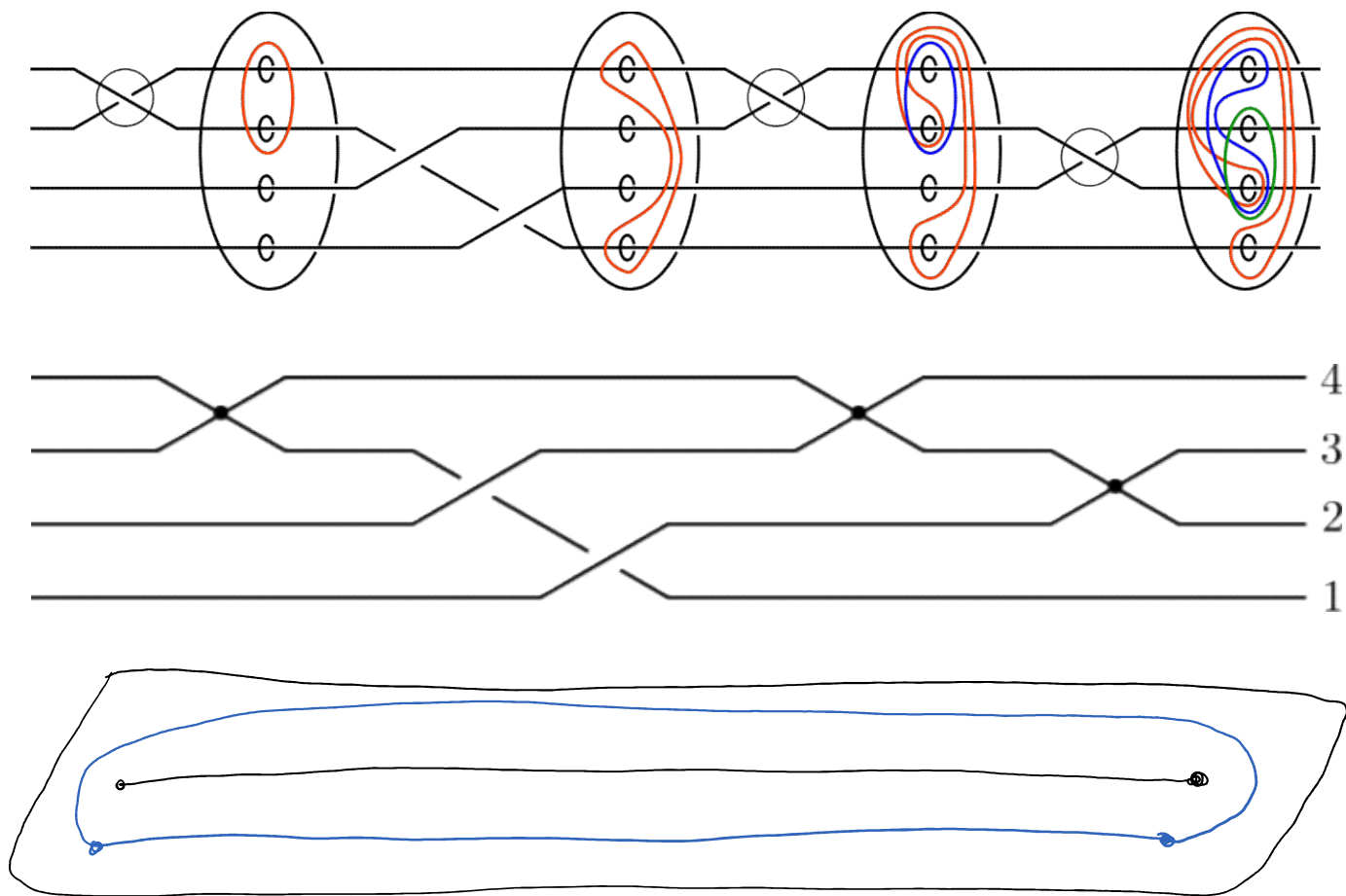
(compactly supported)  
deformation/graphical homotopy

\* Punctures v.s. holes: check  
multiplicities -- uses weights

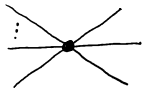
"  $\longrightarrow$  " (Building a curve arrangement from a symplectic filling)

① All symplectic fillings have planar Lefschetz fibrations  
with boundary a fixed planar open book ([Wendl, GGP])  
 $\rightsquigarrow$  monodromy factorization

② Build a braided wiring diagram from monodromy  
factorization



③ Extend braided wiring diagram to surfaces in  $\mathbb{C}^2$   
(symplectic)

Local model extending  as in complex curves

(interpolate with cutoff fct)

Elsewhere just take product with  $\mathbb{R}$

Check this surface is related to  $\mathbb{C}$  by graphical homotopy:

- make the boundaries coincide (braids are isotopic by construction)
- then use straight line homotopy (as graphs)