# Toric geometry of the action of compact torus on complex Grassmannians

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### Content of the talk

- Formulation of the problem
- Classes of manifolds
- Orbit space  $G_{4,2}/T^3$
- Orbit space  $CP^5/T^3$
- On differentiable structure of the orbit space  $G_{4,2}/T^3$

- $M^{2n}$  projective toric variety,  $T^n \hookrightarrow M^{2n}$ ;
- $\mu: M^{2n} \to \mathbb{R}^n$  moment map,  $T^n$  invariant;
- $Im\mu = P$  simple convex polytope.

 $\mu$  splits as:

$$M^{2n} \stackrel{\pi}{\longrightarrow} M^{2n}/T^n \stackrel{\cong}{\longrightarrow} P$$

- $M^{2n}$  smooth, closed, oriented manifold;  $T^n \hookrightarrow M^{2n}$ ;
- The action is locally isomorphic to the standard action  $T^n \hookrightarrow C^n$ ;
- There exists  $\mu: M \to P$ , P simple convex polytope;
- $\mu^{-1}(x)$  is an orbit of  $T^n$ -action for any  $x \in P$ .

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### Formulation of the problem

Our generalization

We consider the following setting:

- M<sup>2n</sup> smooth, closed manifold;
- $T^k \hookrightarrow M^{2n}$ , k < n effective action;
- There exists  $\mu: M^{2n} \to R^k$ ,  $T^k$  invariant;
- $Im\mu = P$  convex polytope (not necessarily simple!).

It is defined a map

$$f: M^{2n}/T^k \longrightarrow P$$
 by  $\mu = \pi \circ f$ 

Note: f — is not a homeomorphism

**Problem:** Provide the class of manifolds  $M^{2n}$  with a moment map  $\mu$  for which  $M^{2n}/T^k$  and the map f can be effectively described.

### Results

We demonstrate our approach in the case of  $G_{4,2}$  and  $CP^5$ :

For the canonical action  $T^4 \hookrightarrow G_{4,2}$  we obtain effective action of  $T^3$  We prove:

- $P = \Delta_{4,2}$  octahedron

$$G_{4,2}/T^4 \cong \partial \Delta_{4,2} * CP^1$$
,

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$$f: \partial \Delta_{4,2} * CP^1 \rightarrow \Delta_{4,2} ---$$
 projection

Moreover from topological results:

$$G_{4,2}/T^4\cong S^5$$
.



### Results

For the action  $T^4 \hookrightarrow CP^5$  defined by the representation  $T^4 \to T^6$ :

$$(t_1, t_2, t_3, t_4) \rightarrow (t_1 t_2, t_1 t_3, t_1 t_4, t_2 t_3, t_2 t_4, t_3 t_4)$$

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## Classes of manifolds

- $M^{2n} = CP^n$ ;
- $T^{n+1} \hookrightarrow CP^n$  canonical;
- Assume that representation  $\rho: T^k \to T^{n+1}$ , k < n is a regular and given by  $t \to (\alpha_0(t), \dots, \alpha_n(t))$ ;
- $\alpha_i: T^k \to S^1$  are characters of  $T^k$ ;
- The weight vectors we denote by the same letters  $\alpha_j$ ,  $0 \le j \le n$
- It is defined the action  $T^k \hookrightarrow CP^n$ ;
- The moment map  $\mu_{T^k}: \mathbb{C}P^n \to \mathbb{R}^k$ ,

$$\mu_{T^k}(z) = \frac{1}{\|z\|^2} \sum_{0 \le j \le n} |z_j|^2 \alpha_j,$$

$$z = [(z_0, \ldots, z_n)],$$

•  $Im\mu = P = convh(\alpha_0, \dots, \alpha_n)$ 



- $G_{n,k}$  Grassmann manifold (k-dimensional subspaces in  $C^n$ );
- $T^n \hookrightarrow G_{n,k}$  acts by the canonical action on  $C^n$ ;
- $T^{n-1} \subset T^n$  acts effectively

 $G_{n,k}$  are represented by  $n \times k$  matrices A, rangA = k, for a fixed base in  $C^n$ 

$$P(A) = (P^{J}(A)) = (\det A_{J})$$
 – Plücker coordinates,

$$J \subset \{1, ..., n\}, \quad |J| = k,$$
  
 $J$  are ordered by  $J = \{j_1 < j_2\} < \bar{J} = \{\bar{j_1} < \bar{j_2}\} \Leftrightarrow j_1 < \bar{j_1},$   
 $A^J$  is  $k \times k$ -matrix given by the columns of  $A$  indexed by  $J$ .

- Plücker coordinates, up to constant, are uniquely defined;
- Plücker coordinates give the embedding of  $G_{n,k}$  into  $CP^{\binom{n}{k}-1}$ .

Gel'fand-Serganova moment map  $\mu: G_{n,k} \to R^k$  is defined by

$$\mu(X) = \frac{\sum\limits_{J} |P^{J}(X)|^2 \delta_J}{\sum\limits_{J} |P^{J}(X)|^2},$$

 $(P^{J}(X))$  are Plöker coordinates for X and  $\delta_{J} \in R^{n}$  is given by

$$(\delta_J)_i = 1, i \in J, (\delta_J)_i = 0, i \notin J.$$

- $\mu$  is  $T^n$ -invariant;
- $Im\mu = convh(\delta_J)$  denoted by  $\Delta_{n,2}$  called hypersimplex.

### Classes of manifolds

 $G_{n,k}$  - algebraic orbits

 $T^n \hookrightarrow G_{n,k}$  extends to  $(C^*)^n \hookrightarrow G_{n,k}$ . The well known results for the orbits of  $(C^*)^n$ -action:

- $(C^*)^n \cdot X$  is a compact algebraic manifold;
- $\overline{(C^*)^n \cdot X} (C^*)^n \cdot X$  consists of finitely many  $(C^*)^n$  orbits of lower dimension:
- $(C^*)^n \cdot X$  is unique everywhere dense open orbit in  $\overline{(C^*)^n \cdot X}$ ;
- $\overline{(C^*)^n \cdot X}$  is a toric manifold.

The classical result (Atiyah, Guillemin-Sternberg, Gelfand-MacPherson):

#### Theorem

- ②  $\mu$  gives a bijection between p-dimensional  $(C^*)^n$ -orbits in  $(C^*)^n \cdot X$  and p-dimensional open faces of the polytope  $\mu(\overline{(C^*)^n \cdot X})$ .

- The subpolytope  $P \subseteq \Delta_{n,2}$  is called admissible if  $\mu(\overline{C^*)^n \cdot X}) = P$  for some  $X \in G_{n,k}$ ;
- $X_1, X_2 \in G_{n,k}$  are said to belong to the same stratum  $\Gamma$  of  $G_{n,k}$  if they have the same admissible polytopes.
- All strata  $\{\Gamma\}$  gives partition of  $G_{n,k}$  stratification;
- Admissible polytopes ≡ the polytopes of strata;
- $P = \Delta_{n,k} \Gamma$  is called main stratum (generic orbits).

Atlas for 
$$G_{n,k}$$
:  $(M_J, u_J)$ ,  $J \subset \{1, ..., n\}$ ,  $|J| = k - given by$ 

$$M_J = \{X \in G_{n,k} \mid P^J(X) \neq 0\}, \ u_J : M_J \to C^{k(n-k)}.$$

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#### Note:

- the charts  $M_J$  are invariant under the action of  $(C^*)^n$  and  $(C^*)^{n-1}$  acts effectively on  $M_J$ ,
- $(C^*)^n$ -action, by the homeomorphism  $u_J$ , induces the action of  $(C^*)^n$  on  $C^{k(n-k)}$ .

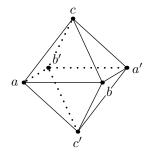
Admissible polytopes for G<sub>4,2</sub>

ullet  $\mu(G_{4,2}) = \mathit{Conv}(\delta_{ij}) = \Delta_{4,2}$  — octahedron;

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$$\begin{split} \delta_{12} &= (1,1,0,0), \delta_{13} = (1,0,1,0), \delta_{14} = (1,0,0,1), \\ \delta_{23} &= (0,1,1,0), \delta_{24} = (0,1,0,1), \delta_{34} = (0,0,1,1). \end{split}$$

- $\delta_{ij}$ ,  $1 \le i < j \le 4$  belong to the hyperplane in  $R^4$  given by the equation  $x_1 + x_2 + x_3 + x_4 = 0$ ;
- P admissible its vertices are some of  $\delta_{ij}$ .



#### Lemma

The admissible polytopes are:

- $\bullet$   $\Delta_{4,2}$ ;
- any four-sided pyrhamid;
- three diagonal squares;
- any face on the boundary for  $\Delta_{4,2}$ .

To summarize — the number of admissible polytopes in each dimension:

Stratification of G<sub>4,2</sub>

In local chart  $M_{12}$  the orbit of  $(a_1, a_2, a_3, a_4)$  is given by

$$\begin{pmatrix} t_1 & 0 \\ 0 & t_2 \\ t_3 a_1 & t_3 a_3 \\ t_4 a_2 & t_4 a_4 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \\ \frac{t_3}{t_1} a_1 & \frac{t_3}{t_2} a_3 \\ \frac{t_4}{t_1} a_2 & \frac{t_4}{t_2} a_4 \end{pmatrix}.$$

The strata with admissible polytopes:

- 0
- **1** (0,0,0,0) if  $a_i = 0$  for all i point  $\delta_{12}$ ;
- ②  $C^*$  if  $a_i = 0$  for three i edge on  $\partial \Delta_{4,2}$  having vertex  $\delta_{12}$ ;
- **3**  $(C^*)^2$  if  $a_i = 0$  for two i triangle on  $\partial \Delta_{4,2}$  or diagonal square having vertex  $\delta_{12}$ ;
- ①  $(C^*)^3$  if  $a_i = 0$  for one i pyramid having vertex  $\delta_{12}$  at the base;
- **5**  $\frac{z_1 z_4}{z_2 z_3} = 1$  if  $a_1 a_4 = a_2 a_3$  pyramid having top-vertex  $δ_{12}$ .
- The hypersurface:

$$\frac{z_1z_4}{z_2z_3}=c \ \text{ for } \ c=\frac{a_1a_4}{a_2a_3}, \ a_i\neq 0, i=1,\ldots,4, \ c\neq 1$$

Admissible polytope is  $\Delta_{4,2}$  — main stratum;



We obtain the description of stratification for  $G_{4,2}$ .

#### Corollary

The strata on Grassmannian G<sub>4,2</sub>, dimension and the number:

- the strata of dimension 8 is an open everywhere dense in G<sub>4,2</sub>;
- **2** each strata of dimension  $\leq$  6 consists of one orbit.

- ② these orbits (of the main stratum  $\Gamma$ ) are parametrized by  $c \in C \{0, 1\}$ ;

Using this we continuously parametrize by  $c \in CP^1$  all orbits for  $(C^*)^4$ -action on  $G_{4,2}$ .

#### Proposition

The points of 6-dimensional non-generic  $(C^*)^3$ -orbit with admissible polytope  $K_{ij}$  can be continuously parametrized by  $c=0,1,\infty$ :

- for  $K_{14} = \Delta_{4,2} \delta_{14}$  or  $K_{23} = \Delta_{4,2} \delta_{23} \longrightarrow c = 0$ ;
- for  $K_{13} = \Delta_{4,2} \delta_{13}$  or  $K_{24} = \Delta_{4,2} \delta_{24} \longrightarrow c = \infty$ ;
- for  $K_{12} = \Delta_{4,2} \delta_{12}$  or  $K_{34} = \Delta_{4,2} \delta_{34} \longrightarrow c = 1$ .

#### **Proposition**

The points of 2I-dimensional orbit, where  $I \le 2$ , with admissible polytope K can be continuously parametrized using the parametrization of 6-dimensional orbits:

- if  $I = 0, 1 \longrightarrow any c \in CP^1$ ;
- if I = 2 and K is a triangle  $\longrightarrow$  any  $c \in CP^1$ ;
- if I = 2 and K is a square:

  - 2  $K_{13,24} = \Delta_{4,2} \{\delta_{13}, \delta_{24}\} \longrightarrow c = \infty$ .
  - $K_{12,34} = \Delta_{4,2} \{\delta_{12}, \delta_{34}\} \longrightarrow c = 1.$

### Corollary

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#### Theorem

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### Corollary

 $G_{4,2}/T^3$  is homeomorphic to the join  $S^2 * S^2$ .



Generalized Poincare conjecture:

#### Theorem

 $G_{4,2}/T^3$  is a topological manifold without boundary, and, thus,  $G_{4,2}/T^3$  is homeomorphic to the sphere  $S^5$ .

We have:

$$f:G_{4,2}/T^3\cong\partial\Delta_{4,2}*S^2\longrightarrow\Delta_{4,2}--$$
 projection 
$$\mu=\pi\circ f.$$

The action  $T^4 \hookrightarrow CP^5$  is defined by the representation  $\rho: T^4 \to T^6$ :

$$(t_1, t_2, t_3, t_4) \rightarrow (t_1 t_2, t_1 t_3, t_1 t_4, t_2 t_3, t_2 t_4, t_3 t_4)$$

and the canonical action  $T^6 \hookrightarrow CP^5$ .

By this action we obtain effective action  $T^3$  on  $CP^5$ .

The moment map:

$$\mu(z) = \frac{1}{\|z\|^2} (|z_1|^2 \delta_{12} + |z_2|^2 \delta_{13} + |z_3|^2 \delta_{14} + |z_4|^2 \delta_{23} + |z_5|^2 \delta_{24} + |z_6|^2 \delta_{34})$$

- This action extends to the action of (C\*)<sup>3</sup>;
- Easy to see: any polytope spanned by some subset of vertices for Δ<sub>4,2</sub> is admissible polytope;



In local charts

$$M_0 = \{z_0 \neq 0\}$$
 - chart on  $CP^5$  - coordinates  $(z_1, \dots, z_5)$ ; 
$$(C^*)^4 \cdot (a_1, \dots, a_5) = (\frac{t_3}{t_2} a_1, \frac{t_4}{t_2} a_2, \frac{t_3}{t_1} a_3, \frac{t_4}{t_1} a_4, \frac{t_3 t_4}{t_1 t_2} a_5) = (\bar{t_1} a_1, \bar{t_2} a_2, \bar{t_3} a_3, \frac{\bar{t_2} \bar{t_3}}{\bar{t}} a_4, \bar{t_2} \bar{t_3} a_5).$$

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- surfaces:

$$z_1 = z_4 = 0$$
,  $\frac{z_2 z_3}{z_5} = c$  or  $z_2 = z_3 = 0$ ,  $\frac{z_1 z_4}{z_5} = c$ ,  $c \neq 0$ 

— squares having vertex  $\delta_{12}$ ;

**5**  $(C^*)^3$  – if  $a_i = a_j = 0$  for  $\{i, j\} \neq \{1, 4\}, \{2, 3\}$  — tetrahedra having vertex  $\delta_{12}$ ;

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 $z_5 = 0 \ \land \ \frac{z_2 z_3}{z_1 z_4} = c, \ c \neq 0$ 

- four-sided pyramids having vertex  $\delta_{12}$ ;
- surfaces (main stratum) :

$$\frac{z_2z_3}{z_5}=c_1 \wedge \frac{z_1z_4}{z_5}=c_2, \ c_1,c_2\neq 0$$

 $-\Delta_{4,2}$ 

The generic orbits of the main stratum are parametrized by  $(c_1 : c_2 : 1)$ ,  $c_1, c_2 \neq 0$ ,

#### Theorem

Using the parametrization of the main stratum, each non-generic orbit which are not on  $\partial \Delta_{4,2}$ 

- can be parametrized by  $(0: c_2: 1)$ ,  $c_1 \neq 0$  or  $(c_1: 0: 1)$ ,  $c_2 \neq 0$  or (0: 0: 1) or  $(c_1: c_2: 0)$ ,  $c_1, c_2 \in C$ ,  $(c_1, c_2) \neq (0, 0)$ .
- They can be divided into four groups such that:
  - All orbits from the same group are equally parametrized;
  - The admissible polytopes for the orbits from the same groups glue together to give Δ<sub>4,2</sub>.

The orbits on  $\partial \Delta_{4,2}$  can be parametrized by  $\mathbb{CP}^2$ .



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<u>Remark:</u> Embedding  $G_{4,2} \subset CP^5$  by the Plücker coordinates is equivariant for  $T^3$ -action  $\Longrightarrow G_{4,2}/T^3 \subset CP^5/T^3$ . In homogeneous coordinates:

$$\begin{split} G_{4,2} \subset CP^5: & z_1z_6 + z_3z_4 = z_2z_5 \\ G_{4,2}/T^3 \subset CP^5/T^3: & S^2*CP^1 \subset S^2 \subset CP^2, \text{ where } CP^1 \subset CP^2 \\ & (c,1) \to (c:1:(1-c)), \ \ (1,0) \to (0,0,1). \end{split}$$

### Quotients of algebraic torus orbits

 $X \in G_{4,2}, \ (\overline{(C^*)^3 \cdot X})/T^3$  with a admissible polytope P:

- has 6 or 1 singular points, otherwise it is a manifold with corners, if  $P = \Delta_{4,2}$  or P is four-sided pyramid;
- 2 is a manifold with corners if P is a triangle, square or interval.

### Differentiable structure on $G_{4,2}/T^3 \cong S^5$

- S<sup>5</sup> has unique differentiable structure, the standard one;
- suggests: no differentiable structure on  $X = G_{4,2}/T^3$  such that  $\pi: G_{4,2} \to X$  is a smooth map; otherwise X would be diffeomoirphic to the standard sphere  $S^5$ ,  $S^1 \hookrightarrow S^5$  smoothly, while it is not clear where such an action on X would come from.
- We prove the quotient structure is not differentiable;
- Describe the corresponding smooth and singular points;

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- If p is not a fixed point, let H be its stabilizer, a proper subgroup of G;
- The slice representation V for p:

the normal bundle in the tangent bundle for M along the points of orbit  $G \cdot p$ , to the tangent bundle  $T(G \cdot p)$  of the orbit. It is taken related to some G-invariant metric on M. We obtain representation of H in V. The general slice theorem states:

#### Theorem

There exists G-equivariant diffeomorphism from the vector bundle  $G \times_H V$  onto neighbourhood of the orbit  $G \cdot p$  in M.



 $\pi: G_{4,2} \to G_{4,2}/T^4$  — a natural projection.

#### Theorem

The point  $q \in G_{4,2}/T^4$  is:

- a smooth point if dim  $\pi^{-1}(q) = 3$ ;
- a cone-like singularity point if  $\dim \pi^{-1}(q) \le 2$  which has the neighborhood of the form

  - 2  $D^1 \times cone(S^5/T^2)$  for  $\dim \pi^{-1}(q) = 1$ ;
  - **3**  $cone(S^7/T^3)$  for  $dim \pi^1(q) = 0$ ,

with the induced actions of  $T^2$  on  $S^5$  and  $T^3$  on  $S^7$ .

### Proposition

The orbit space  $S^5/T^2$  has three cone-like singular points, while all other points are smooth. Moreover, the singular points have a neghbourhood of the form cone( $S^2$ ).

#### Proposition

The points of the orbit space  $S^7/T^3$  which correspond to the:

- three-dimensional orbits are smooth points;
- two-dimensional orbits are cone like singularities with a neioghbourhood of the form D<sup>1</sup> × cone(S<sup>2</sup>);
- one-dimensional orbits are cone-like singularirities with a neighborhood of the form cone (S<sup>5</sup>/T<sup>2</sup>).

 $H \hookrightarrow V \Rightarrow V = V^H \oplus L$  related to some *G*-invariant metric,  $V^H$  is the subspace of the vectors fixed by *H*.

$$G \times_H V = G \times_H (V^H \oplus L) = V^H \times (G \times_H L).$$

If further implies that

$$(G \times_H V)/G = V^H \times L/H.$$

We have fixed some G-invariant Riemannian metric  $\Rightarrow$  the action of H on L preserves the scalar product meaning that  $H(S(L)) \subseteq S(L)$  where S(L) is an unitary sphere whose center is at origin p of L. Therefore

$$L/H = ([0, \infty) \times S(L))/H = cone(S(L)/H),$$

what gives

$$(G \times_H V)/G = V^H \times cone(S(L)/H).$$

