

QUASI-PARABOLIC HIGGS BUNDLES

AND

NULL HYPERPOLYGONS

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## Plan of the talk:

- Polygon spaces (Hausmann-Knutson, Kapovich-Millsom, Godinho-Agapito,  $\mu$ , etc.)
- Hyperpolygon spaces (Konno, Horade - Proudfoot, Godinho-M., Fisher-Rayan, Rayan - Schaposnik...)
- Quasi-parabolic & parabolic Higgs bundles (Hitchin, Simpson, Komuro, García Prada, Gothen, Oliveira, Biswas, Florentino, Godinho, M, ...)
- Involutions (Hitchin, Baraglia - Schaposnik, Jardim, Marchesi, Franco, BFGM, ...)

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$n \geq 3$

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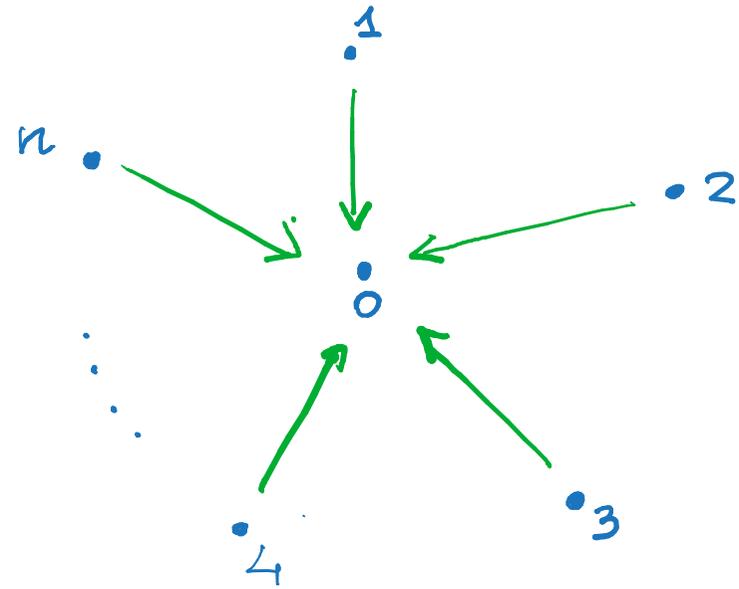
$$M(\alpha) = \prod_{i=1}^n S_{\alpha_i}^2 //_{\text{SO}(3)} = \mu_{\text{SO}(3)}^{-1}(0) / \text{SO}(3) \quad \text{POLYGON SPACE}$$

$$(v_1, \dots, v_n) \in \mu_{\text{SO}(3)}^{-1}(0) \iff \begin{array}{c} v_n \\ \swarrow \\ v_1 \quad \searrow \\ \quad \quad \quad \vdots \\ \quad \quad \quad v_2 \end{array} \quad \begin{array}{l} v_i \in \mathbb{R}^3 \\ \|v_i\| = \alpha_i \end{array}$$

$$M(\alpha) \text{ smooth Kähler} \iff \alpha \text{ GENERIC} \iff \varepsilon_I(\alpha) := \sum_{i \in I} \alpha_i - \sum_{j \in I^c} \alpha_j \neq 0 \quad \forall I$$

# POLYGON SPACES AS QUIVER VARIETIES

Star-shaped quiver



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$K \curvearrowright \mathbb{C}^{2n}$  by  $[q](A, \lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_n) = [\dots, A^{-1} q_i \lambda_i, \dots]$  with moment map

$$\mu(q_1, \dots, q_n) = \left( \frac{\sqrt{-1}}{2} \sum_{i=1}^n (q_i q_i^*)_0, \dots, \frac{1}{2} |q_i|^2, \dots \right)$$

$$\mathbb{C}^{2n} / (0, \alpha) / K = M(\alpha) = \mu^{-1}(0, \alpha) / K$$

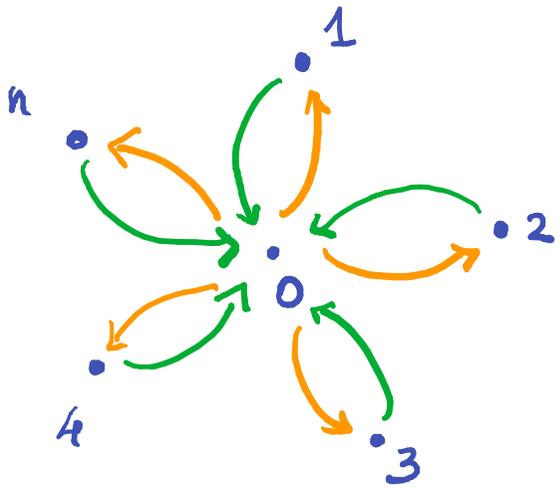
$\mathbb{R}^3 \cong \mathfrak{su}(2)^*$   $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{LENGTH OF } V_i \\ \alpha_i \end{array} \right.$

$[q_1, \dots, q_n] \rightarrow [v_1, \dots, v_n]$  where

$$v_i = (q_i q_i^*)_0$$

CLOSING CONDITION  $\sum v_i = 0$

# HYPERPOLYGON SPACES



$$V_0 = \mathbb{C}^2$$

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$$\forall i = 1, \dots, n$$

$$\text{Rep } \mathfrak{a} = \bigoplus_{i=1}^n \text{Hom}(\mathbb{C}, \mathbb{C}^2) \bigoplus_{i=1}^n \text{Hom}(\mathbb{C}^2, \mathbb{C}) = T^* \mathbb{C}^{2n}$$

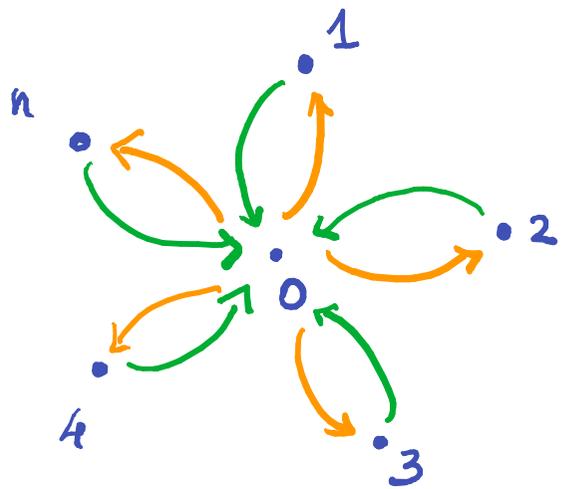
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# $\alpha$ -HYPERPOLYGON SPACES



$$V_0 = \mathbb{C}^2$$

$$V_i = \mathbb{C}$$

$$\forall i = 1, \dots, m$$

$$\text{Rep } \alpha = \bigoplus_{i=1}^m \text{Hom}(\mathbb{C}, \mathbb{C}^2) \oplus \bigoplus_{i=1}^m \text{Hom}(\mathbb{C}^2, \mathbb{C}) = T^*\mathbb{C}^{2n}$$

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hyperhamiltonian

$$\mu_{\mathbb{R}}(p, q) = \left( \frac{\sqrt{-1}}{2} \sum_{i=1}^n (q_i q_i^* - p_i^* p_i)_0, \dots, \frac{1}{2} (|q_i|^2 - |p_i|^2), \dots \right)$$

$$\mu_{\mathbb{C}}(p, q) = \left( \sum_{i=1}^m (q_i p_i)_0, \dots, p_i q_i, \dots \right)$$

$$\rightsquigarrow X(\alpha) := \frac{T^*\mathbb{C}^{2n}}{(0, \alpha)(0, 0)} \Big/ K = \mu_{\mathbb{R}}^{-1}(0, \alpha) \cap \mu_{\mathbb{C}}^{-1}(0, 0) \Big/ K$$

HYPERPOLYGON  
SPACE

•  $X(\alpha)$  is a smooth hyperkähler manifold of  $\dim = 4(n-3)$   
 $\varepsilon_I(\alpha) \neq 0 \quad \forall I \subseteq \{1, \dots, n\}$

•  $M(\alpha) = \{[p, q] \in X(\alpha) \mid p = 0\}$

# NULL HYPERPOLYGON SPACES

As before, consider

$$K = (U(2) \times U(1)^n) / \Delta \hookrightarrow T^*\mathbb{C}^{2n} \xrightarrow{\mu_{HK} = \mu_{\mathbb{R}} \oplus \mu_{\mathbb{C}}} \mathcal{K}^* \oplus \mathcal{K}_{\mathbb{C}}^*$$

$$\mathcal{P}_0^n := \left\{ (p, q) \in \mu_{\mathbb{R}}^{-1}(0, 0) \cap \mu_{\mathbb{C}}^{-1}(0, 0) : |p_i|^2 + |q_i|^2 \neq 0 \quad \forall i=1, \dots, n \right\}$$

PROP. (Godinho-M., 2019):  $K$  acts freely on  $\mathcal{P}_0^n$  and

$$X_0^n := \mathcal{P}_0^n / K$$

is a smooth hyperkähler manifold of  $\dim = 4(n-3)$

# QUASI-PARABOLIC HIGGS BUNDLES

$$E \longrightarrow \mathbb{C}P^1 \quad \text{rank}(E) = r = 2$$

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A quasi-parabolic structure on  $E$  is a full flag

$$E_{x_i} = E_{x_i,1} \supset E_{x_i,2} \supset \{0\} \quad \forall x_i \in D$$

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A quasi-parabolic Higgs bundle over  $\mathbb{C}P^1$ , rk 2, is a pair  $(E, \phi)$  with  $E$  as above and

$$\phi \in H^0(\mathbb{C}P^1, \text{SQPEnd}(E) \otimes K_{\mathbb{C}P^1}(D))$$

where  $f: E \rightarrow E$  is a strongly quasi-parabolic end.  
iff  $f(E_{x_i,1}) \subset E_{x_i,2}$  and  $f(E_{x_i,2}) \subset 0 \quad \forall x_i \in D$

DEF, A quasi-parabolic  $SL(2, \mathbb{C})$ -Higgs bundle over  $\mathbb{C}P^1$  at  $D$  is a rank-2  $q$ -parabolic Higgs bundle  $(E, \phi)$ , where  $E$  has trivial determinant and  $\phi$  is traceless

DEF (stability)

A quasi-parabolic Higgs bundle  $(E, \phi)$  is stable if

①  $\text{Res}_{x_i} \phi \neq 0 \quad \forall x_i \in D$

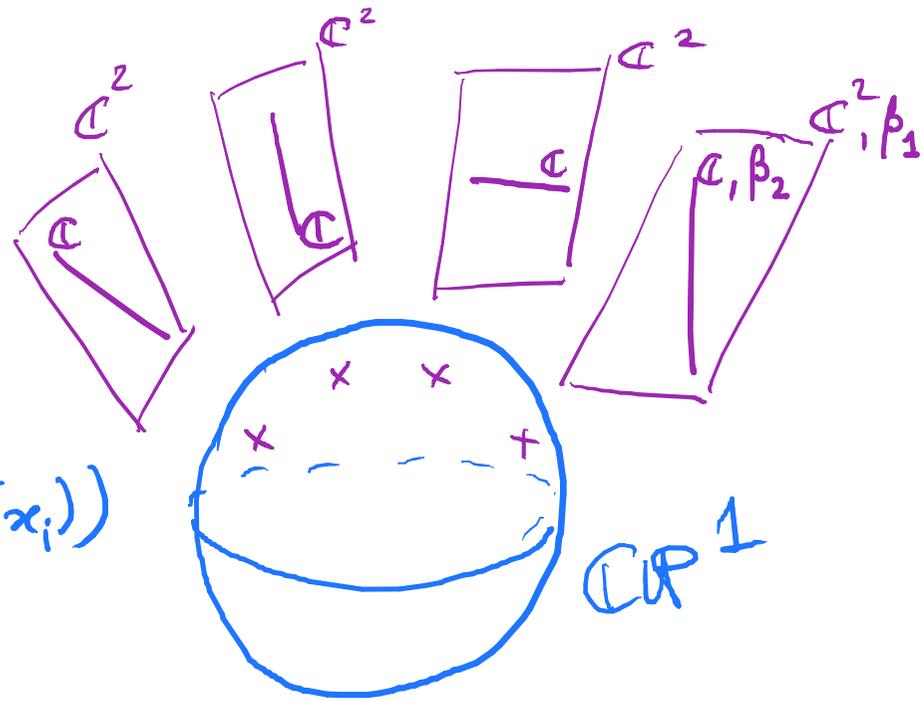
②  $q\text{-par } \mu(E) > q\text{-par } \mu(L) \quad \forall L \subset E \text{ quasi-parab. subb. that is preserved by } \phi$

$\mathcal{M}_0^n$  = moduli space of stable  $q.p.$   $SL(2, \mathbb{C})$  Higgs bundles

# PARABOLIC HIGGS BUNDLES

A parabolic structure on a quasi-parabolic bundle  $E$  is the choice of parabolic weights

$$0 \leq \beta_1(x_i) < \beta_2(x_i) < 1 \quad \forall x_i \in D$$



$$\text{par deg}(E) = \text{deg}(E) + \sum_{i=1}^M (\beta_2(x_i) + \beta_1(x_i))$$

$$\text{par } \mu(E) = \frac{\text{par deg}(E)}{2}$$

$E$  is semi-stable  $\Leftrightarrow \mu(E) \geq \mu(L) \quad \forall L \subset E$  parab. subbundle

$\leadsto \mathcal{M}(\beta) =$  moduli space of PBs over  $\mathbb{P}^1$ , rk 2, deg 0

$\mathcal{M}(\beta)$  is smooth  $\Leftrightarrow$  (stability  $\Leftrightarrow$  semistability)

HIGGS FIELD  $\phi \in H^0(\mathbb{P}^1, \text{SPEnd}(E) \otimes K(D))$

$f: E \rightarrow E$  is a strongly parabolic endomorphism  
iff  $f(E_{x_{i,j}}) \subseteq E_{x_{i,j+1}}$

$(E, \phi)$  PARABOLIC HIGGS BUNDLE

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$\rightsquigarrow \mathcal{H}(\beta) =$  moduli space of  $\beta$ -stable,  $\text{rk}_2$ ,  $\text{hdom.}$  trivial PHBs over  $\mathbb{C}P^1$  w/ fixed determinant and trace-free Higgs field.

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[p, q]  $\alpha$ -hyperpolygon  $\rightarrow E = \mathbb{C}P^1 \times \mathbb{C}^2$

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remember

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$$\forall i \in S \qquad \qquad \qquad \forall i \in S^c$$

$$(L_0)_{x_i} = E_{x_i, 2}$$

$$\downarrow$$

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$$i \in S^c$$

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[Godinho,  $\pi$  2019]

$$i_0: X_0^n \longrightarrow X_0^n$$

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$$(E, \phi) \longrightarrow (E^*, \phi^t)$$

The fixed point set  $(\mathcal{H}_0^n)^{i_0}$  has  $2^{n-1} - (n+1)$  components  $\mathcal{Z}_S$  indexed by  $S \subseteq \{1, \dots, n\}$  s.t.  $2 \leq |S| \leq n-2$  and  $1 \in S$ :

$(E, \phi) \in \mathcal{Z}_S \Leftrightarrow (E, \phi)$  is a QPH  $SL(2, \mathbb{R})$ -bundle s.t.:

(i)  $E = L_0 \oplus L_1$  :  $E_{x_{i,2}} = (L_0)_{x_i} \forall i \in S$  &  $E_{x_{i,2}} = (L_1)_{x_i} \forall i \in S^c$

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 $\forall i \in S$   $\forall j \in S^c$

# G-POLYGON SPACE

$G$  Lie group,  $\mathfrak{g} = \text{Lie}(G)$ ,  $\mathfrak{g}^*$  its dual

Choose  $\xi_i \in \mathfrak{g}^*$ ,  $\xi_i \neq 0 \forall i=1, \dots, n \rightsquigarrow \mathcal{O}_{\xi_i} = \text{coadjoint orbit}$

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 G \hookrightarrow \prod_{i=1}^n \mathcal{O}_{\xi_i} & \xrightarrow{\mu_G} & \mathfrak{g}^* \\
 \text{Ham. } (A_1, \dots, A_n) & \longmapsto & \sum_{i=1}^n A_i
 \end{array}
 \Rightarrow \prod_{i=1}^n \mathcal{O}_{\xi_i} // G$$

G-polygon space

$G = \text{SU}(2) \rightsquigarrow \text{moduli space of polygons in } \mathbb{R}^3$

$G = \text{SL}(2, \mathbb{C}) \rightsquigarrow \text{HYPERP.}$

# SL(2, ℝ) - POLYGON SPACES

Lie (SL(2, ℝ))  $\simeq \mathbb{R}^{2,1} = (\mathbb{R}^3, (-, -, +))$  MINKOWSKI 3-SPACE

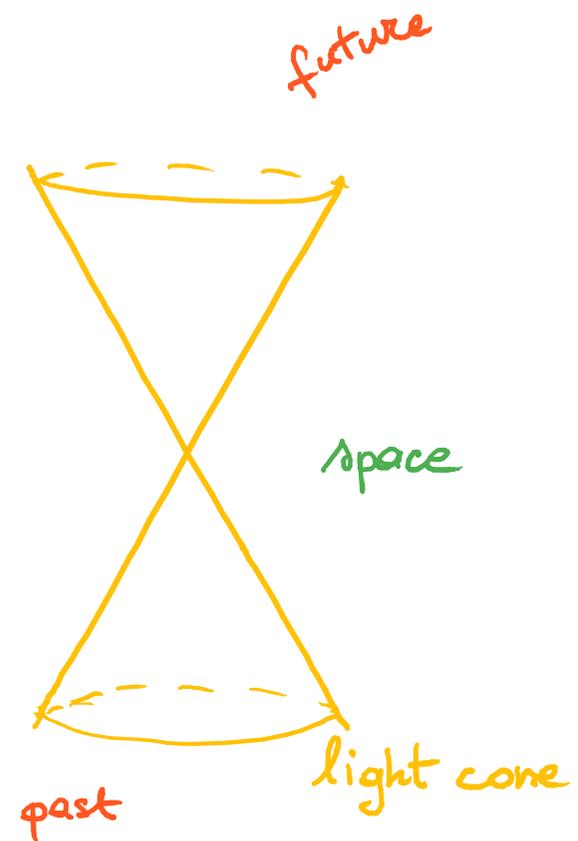
i.e.  $u = (x, y, t) \in \mathbb{R}^{2,1}$ ,  $u \cdot u = -x^2 - y^2 + t^2$

$u \in \mathbb{R}^{2,1}$  is

- SPACE-LIKE, if  $u \cdot u < 0$
- LIGHT-LIKE, if  $u \cdot u = 0$
- TIME-LIKE, if  $u \cdot u > 0$

$u = (x, y, t) \in \mathbb{R}^{2,1}$  is

- future if  $t > 0$
- past if  $t < 0$



# Coadjoint orbits of $SL(2, \mathbb{R}) \simeq \mathbb{R}^{2,1}$

$$S_R := \{(x, y, t) \in \mathbb{R}^{2,1} \mid -x^2 - y^2 + t^2 = R^2\} \begin{cases} S_R^+ & \text{if } t > 0 & \text{FUTURE PSEUDOSPHERE} \\ S_R^- & \text{if } t < 0 & \text{PAST PSEUDOSPHERE} \end{cases}$$

$$H_R := \{(x, y, t) \in \mathbb{R}^{2,1} \mid +x^2 + y^2 - t^2 = R^2\} \quad \text{SPACE PSEUDOSPHERE}$$

$$C^- = \{(x, y, t) \in \mathbb{R}^{2,1} : x^2 + y^2 - t^2 = 0, t < 0\} \leftarrow \text{the past light cone}$$

$$C^+ = \{(x, y, t) \in \mathbb{R}^{2,1} : x^2 + y^2 - t^2 = 0, t > 0\} \leftarrow \text{the future light cone}$$

$$\{0\}$$

# TIME-LIKE CASE

$$S_R := \{(x, y, t) \in \mathbb{R}^{2,1} \mid -x^2 - y^2 + t^2 = R^2\}$$

$S_R^+$  if  $t > 0$

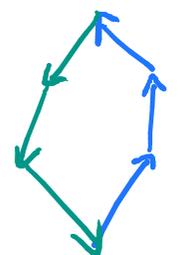
$S_R^-$  if  $t < 0$

FUTURE PSEUDOSPHERE

PAST PSEUDOSPHERE

$$SL(2, \mathbb{R}) \overset{\text{Ham.}}{\curvearrowright} \prod_{i \in S} S_{\alpha_i}^+ \times \prod_{i \in S^c} S_{\alpha_i}^- \xrightarrow{\mu_{SL(2, \mathbb{R})}} \text{Lie } SL(2, \mathbb{R})^* \simeq \mathbb{R}^{2,1}$$

$(\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_n)$   $\longmapsto \sum_{i=1}^n \mu_i$



$$M^S(\alpha) := \prod_{i \in S} S_{\alpha_i}^+ \times \prod_{i \in S^c} S_{\alpha_i}^- \Big/_{\text{SL}(2, \mathbb{R})} = \mu_{SL(2, \mathbb{R})}^{-1}(0) \Big/_{\text{SL}(2, \mathbb{R})}$$

[Foth]  $M^S(\alpha)$  is smooth  $\Leftrightarrow \varepsilon_I(\alpha) \neq 0 \quad \forall I \subseteq \{1, \dots, n\}$   
 $M^S(\alpha)$  is non-compact unless  $|S|=1$  or  $|S^c|=1$

Theorem [BFGM]  $i_1([p, q]) = [-p, q]$

The components  $Z_S \subseteq X(\alpha)$  and  $Z_S \subseteq \mathcal{H}(\beta)$  are isomorphic to  $M^S(\alpha)$



$$(X(\alpha) \cong) Z_S \longrightarrow M^S(\alpha)$$

$$[p, q] \longmapsto [u_1, \dots, u_n]$$

where

$$u_i = \frac{\sqrt{-1}}{2} (p_i^* p_i - q_i q_i^*) + \frac{1}{2} (p_i^* q_i^* + q_i p_i)$$

# LIGHT-LIKE CASE

[Godinho-M 2019]

$C^- = \{(x, y, t) \in \mathbb{R}^{2,1} : x^2 + y^2 - t^2 = 0, t < 0\}$  ← the past light cone

$C^+ = \{(x, y, t) \in \mathbb{R}^{2,1} : x^2 + y^2 - t^2 = 0, t > 0\}$  ← the future light cone

$$SL(2, \mathbb{R}) \curvearrowright \prod_{i \in S} C^- \times \prod_{i \in S^c} C^+ \xrightarrow{\mu_{SL(2, \mathbb{R})}} \mathbb{R}^{2,1}$$

$$(u_1, \dots, u_n) \longmapsto \sum_{i=1}^n u_i$$

$$\mu^{-1}(0)_{\text{reg}} := \mu_{SL(2, \mathbb{R})}^{-1}(0) \cap \left( \prod_{i \in S} C^- \times \prod_{i \in S^c} C^+ \right)_{\text{reg}}$$

$$\rightarrow M_0^{|S|} = \mu^{-1}(0)_{\text{reg}} / SL(2, \mathbb{R})$$

MODULI SPACE OF CLOSED  
NULL POLYGONS in  $\mathbb{R}^{2,1}$

is a symplectic non-compact manifold, non-empty  $\Leftrightarrow n \geq 4$ .

Theorem [Godimko - II. 2019]  $i_p([p, q]) = [q^t, q^t]$

For any  $S \subseteq \{1, \dots, n\}$  s.t.  $1 \in S$  and  $2 \leq |S| \leq n-2$ ,  
 the components  $Z_S \subseteq (X_0^n)^{i_0} \simeq (\mathcal{H}_0^n)^{i_0}$  are  
 isomorphic to  $M_0^{|S|}$ .



$$\begin{array}{ccc} Z_S & \longrightarrow & M_0^{|S|} \\ [p, q] & \longmapsto & (u_1, \dots, u_n) \end{array}$$

where, if  $p_i = (0, b_i)$  &  $q_i = \begin{pmatrix} c_i \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad \forall i \in S$

$p_j = (a_j, 0)$  &  $q_j = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ d_j \end{pmatrix} \quad \forall j \in S^c$

$$\Rightarrow u_i = (\operatorname{Re}(b_i c_i), \operatorname{Im}(b_i c_i), -|c_i|^2) \quad \forall i \in S$$

$$u_j = (\operatorname{Re}(a_j d_j), \operatorname{Im}(a_j d_j), |a_j|^2) \quad \forall j \in S^c$$

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**THANKS!**

# INVOLUTIONS

[Godinho, M.] on going:

$$i_2: X(\alpha) \longrightarrow X(\alpha) \\ [p, q] \longmapsto [-\bar{p}, \bar{q}]$$

$$\rightsquigarrow i_2: \mathcal{H}(\beta) \longrightarrow \mathcal{H}(\beta) \\ (E, \phi) \longmapsto (E^*, -\bar{\phi})$$

$$X(\alpha)^{i_2} = \left\{ [p, q]: p_i = (\sqrt{-1} a_i, b_i), q_j = \begin{pmatrix} c_j \\ \sqrt{-1} d_j \end{pmatrix}, a_i, b_i, c_i, d_i \in \mathbb{R} \forall i \right\}$$

$$\mathcal{H}(\beta)^{i_2}$$