

# LOGARITHMIC PLANS

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All log schemes here should probably be fine and saturated.

## 1. LOG POINTS AND THEIR MAPS

### 1.1. The stack of standard log points.

**Definition 1.2.** A standard log point is a point with log structure such that the characteristic is  $\mathbb{N}$ . Define a family of standard log points over a log scheme  $S$  as follows: it is a log scheme  $S'$  with a morphism  $S' \rightarrow S$  which is an isomorphism on underlying schemes, and such that  $\overline{M}'_S = \overline{M}_S[m_x]$ . Arrows of such families are defined by cartesian diagrams as usual.

**Problem 1.3.** Show the following:

This defines a stack over  $\mathcal{L}\text{og}\mathcal{S}\text{ch}$ .

This stack is isomorphic to  $\mathcal{B}\mathbb{G}_m$ , with the trivial log structure. The universal family is  $\mathcal{B}\mathbb{G}_m$  with the log structure inherited from the embedding  $\mathcal{B}\mathbb{G}_m \subset [\mathbb{A}^1/\mathbb{G}_m]$ .

Now let  $X$  be a log scheme. Define another category  $\wedge X$  over  $\mathcal{L}\text{og}\mathcal{S}\text{ch}$  whose objects over  $S$  are  $(S' \rightarrow S, S' \rightarrow X)$  where  $S' \rightarrow S$  is a family of standard log points and  $S' \rightarrow X$  a morphism, and arrows by cartesian diagrams.

**Problem 1.4.** This stack  $\wedge X$  is a representable countable union of log schemes projective over  $X$ .

**Problem 1.5.** Give a concrete description of  $\wedge X$ . Show that when  $X$  is log smooth this thing is also log smooth.

### 1.6. The stack of standard log nodes.

**Definition 1.7.** Define a family of standard log nodes over a log scheme  $S$  as follows: it is a log scheme  $S'$  with a homomorphism  $\phi : \mathbb{N} \rightarrow \overline{M}_S$  and a morphism  $\pi : S' \rightarrow S$  which is an isomorphism on underlying schemes, and such that  $\overline{M}'_S = \overline{M}_S[m_x, m_y]/(m_x + m_y = \phi(1))$ . Arrows defined by cartesian diagrams. This defines a category  $\mathcal{N}\text{odes}$  over  $\mathcal{L}\text{og}\mathcal{S}\text{ch}$

**Problem 1.8.** Figure out the right definition, whether or not this is it. Show it is an algebraic log stack. Describe the stack  $\mathcal{N}\text{odes}$  in a reasonable way.

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Now let  $X$  be a log scheme. Define another stack  $\wedge^{\mathfrak{Nodes}} X$  over  $\mathbf{LogSCh}$  whose objects over  $S$  are  $(S' \rightarrow S, S' \rightarrow X)$  where  $S' \rightarrow S$  is a family of standard log nodes and  $S' \rightarrow X$  a morephism, and arrows by cartesian diagrams.

**Problem 1.9.** Give a concrete description of  $\wedge^{\mathfrak{Nodes}} X$ .

## 2. LOG SMOOTH GW THEORY

**2.1. Evaluation maps.** Consider a log smooth scheme  $X$ . We have a stack  $K_\Gamma(X)$  of log stable maps to  $X$  with numerical invariants  $\Gamma$  (including genus, types of markings, class etc.).

**Problem 2.2.** Show that the restriction of the universal map  $C^{univ} \rightarrow X$  to the  $i$ -th marking gives a morphism  $e_i : K_\Gamma(X) \rightarrow \wedge X$ .

**2.3. Obstruction theory.**

**Problem 2.4.** Show that the log cotangent complexes of  $X$  and of  $C/K$  are their sheaves of log differentials, so locally free, and there is a morphism  $f^*\Omega_X \rightarrow \Omega_{C/S}$ .

**Problem 2.5.** Show that the standard formalism provides a perfect log obstruction theory  $\mathbb{E} \rightarrow \mathbb{L}_{K_\Gamma(X)}$ .

**Problem 2.6.** We have an isomorphism  $\mathbb{L}_{K_\Gamma(X)} \simeq LL_{\underline{K_\Gamma(X)}/LOG}$ , where  $\underline{K_\Gamma(X)}$  is the stack underlying  $K_\Gamma(X)$ .

**2.7. Virtual fundamental class.**

**Problem 2.8.** Show that the image of  $\underline{K_\Gamma(X)}$  in  $LOG$  lies in an open substack  $LOG^0$ , of finite type over  $\mathbb{C}$ , of pure dimension 0, satisfying Kresch's stratification conditions [1], so a fundamental class  $[LOG^0]$  exists.

**Problem 2.9.** Show that the morphism  $\underline{K_\Gamma(X)} \rightarrow LOG^0$  and the log obstruction theory  $\mathbb{E} \rightarrow \mathbb{L}_{K_\Gamma(X)}$  satisfy Manolache's requirements [2], so a refined pull-back  $f_{\mathbb{E}}^! : A_*(LOG^0) \rightarrow A_*(\underline{K_\Gamma(X)})$  exists.

**Problem 2.10.** Investigate the resulting virtual fundamental class  $[K_\Gamma(X)]^{vir} = f_{\mathbb{E}}^![LOG^0]$  and its properties.

**2.11. Invariants.**

**Problem 2.12.** Define log GW invariants as usual by

$$\langle \gamma_1 \cdots \gamma_n \rangle := \int_{[K_\Gamma(X)]^{vir}} \prod e_i^* \gamma_i.$$

Define analogous descendant invariants.  
Investigate their basic properties.

### 2.13. Localization.

**Problem 2.14.** Extend the standard theory of virtual localization in the log smooth context.

## 3. LOG NODAL THEORY

**Definition 3.1.** Define a log prenodal curve to be a subcurve of a log smooth curve.

Define a log presemistable variety to be a subvariety which is a union of components of a semistable (or maybe log smooth) variety.

**Problem 3.2.** Define log stable maps of log prenodal curves into log schemes.

**Problem 3.3.** Compare log stable maps of log prenodal curves, maybe with log presemistable targets, with log stable maps of log smooth curves into log smooth targets.

**Problem 3.4.** Define prenodal evaluation maps.

**Problem 3.5.** Investigate when stable log prenodal maps admit a perfect log obstruction theory.

**Problem 3.6.** In such situations, define prenodal GW invariants. Compare with the log smooth GW invariants.

**Problem 3.7.** Define Gross-Hacking-Keel invariants of a normal crossings variety.

## 4. DEGENERATION FORMULA

**Problem 4.1.** Investigate log degeneration formulas in the higher rank case (the case of a smooth divisor case this should be in Qile's thesis). Use either the log prenodal formalism or through a connection with the log smooth theory.

## 5. OTHER ASPECTS

**Problem 5.1.** In the smooth divisor case, compare the log GW theory with Kim's theory.

**Problem 5.2.** Prove an existence result for general log maps (source not necessarily a point or curve).

## REFERENCES

Kresch
Manolache

- [1] Kresch's thesis.
- [2] Manolache's thesis.