

Deformation quantization with branes and coloured MZVs

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Actually, (2) and (3) are obtained from (1) by globalization techniques that we are not going to discuss here. Kontsevich formula for (1) is remarkably elegant.

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Spoiler: already with two branes, the weights (and graphs) involved are more general.

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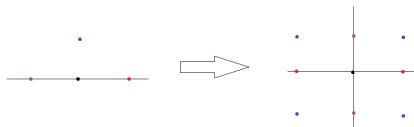
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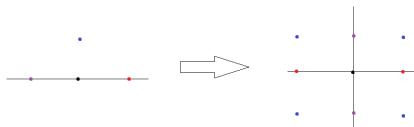


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Questions:

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- Nature of the weights when there are more branes?
- Higher genus version? Do eMZVs appear if one replaces the source with a genus one curve in the Poisson σ -model?