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Virtual fundamental classes and Batalin-Vilkovisky quantization from supersymmetric twists

Abstract

Supersymmetric localization allows one to reduce the computation of the partition function of a supersymmetric theory to a finite-dimensional integral. In this talk I will explain how virtual fundamental classes of \((-2)\)-shifted symplectic schemes recently introduced by Borisov-Joyce, Pridham and Oh-Thomas arise from such a supersymmetric localization in the presence of extended (i.e. 0d \(N=2\)) supersymmetry. For instance, this gives a field-theoretic origin of the DT invariants of CY4 manifolds. Similarly, I will explain that spaces of states in the presence of extended (i.e. 1d \(N=4\)) supersymmetry may be computed in terms of the cohomology of a certain perverse sheaf associated to \((-1)\)-shifted symplectic schemes. This is a report on joint work with Brian Williams.