

On 1-point Gromov-Witten invariants of the Hilbert schemes of points on surfaces

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Abstract

We compute certain 1-point genus-0 Gromov-Witten invariants of the Hilbert scheme of points on a simply-connected smooth projective surface.

1. Introduction

The Hilbert scheme $X^{[n]}$ of points in a smooth projective surface X is the set of length- n 0-dimensional closed subschemes of X . On one hand, $X^{[n]}$ is the moduli space of rank-1 torsion free sheaves V on X such that the first and second Chern classes of V are equal to 0 and n respectively. It is the simplest one among the moduli spaces of rank- r stable vector bundles (or sheaves in general) on a projective surface, which are isomorphic to the moduli spaces of anti-self-dual Yang-Mills connections on some principle bundles over X . Mathematicians as well as physicists showed great interest in these moduli spaces. One area of interest is the Gromov-Witten invariants of the Hilbert scheme $X^{[n]}$. On the other hand, the Hilbert scheme $X^{[n]}$ is smooth [Fo1]. Hence it is the desingularization of the n -th symmetric product $X^{(n)}$ of X . In fact, the Hilbert-Chow map

$$\rho: X^{[n]} \rightarrow X^{(n)}. \quad (1)$$

sending an element in $X^{[n]}$ to its support in $X^{(n)}$ is a crepant resolution of the orbifold $X^{(n)}$. Recently, Ruan [Ru2] formulated some conjecture on the relation between the cohomology rings of crepant resolutions of orbifolds and the orbifold cohomology rings of the orbifolds themselves. It turns out that the Gromov-Witten invariants of the crepant resolutions appear in a very interesting way in Ruan's conjecture. In this paper, we shall compute the 1-point Gromov-Witten invariants of $X^{[n]}$ with respect to some special degree-2 homology cycles on $X^{[n]}$. Our result partially verifies Ruan's conjecture for the crepant resolution $\rho: X^{[n]} \rightarrow X^{(n)}$.

Throughout the paper, we assume that X is a simply-connected smooth projective surface. An element in $X^{[n]}$ is represented by a length- n 0-dimensional closed subscheme ξ of X . Let $x_1, \dots, x_{n-1} \in X$ be distinct but fixed points. Let $M_2(x_1) =$

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$\{\xi \in X^{[2]} \mid \text{Supp}(\xi) = \{x_1\}\}$ be the punctual Hilbert scheme parametrizing length-2 0-dimensional subschemes supported at x_1 . It is known that $M_2(x_1) \cong \mathbb{P}^1$. Let β_n be the smooth rational curve in $X^{[n]}$ defined by

$$\{\xi + x_2 + \dots + x_{n-1} \in X^{[n]} \mid \xi \in M_2(x_1)\}. \quad (2)$$

Clearly, the curve β_n is mapped to a point by the Hilbert-Chow map ρ .

Let d be a positive integer, and let $\overline{\mathfrak{M}}_{0,1}(X^{[n]}, d\beta_n)$ be the moduli space of 1-point stable maps $\mu: (D; p) \rightarrow X^{[n]}$ from a genus-0 nodal curve D with one marked point p to $X^{[n]}$ such that $\mu_*(D)$ is homologous to $d\beta_n$. A point in $\overline{\mathfrak{M}}_{0,1}(X^{[n]}, d\beta_n)$ is denoted by $[\mu: (D; p) \rightarrow X^{[n]}]$. The expected complex dimension of the moduli space $\overline{\mathfrak{M}}_{0,1}(X^{[n]}, d\beta_n)$ is given by

$$\mathfrak{d} = -K_{X^{[n]}} \cdot d\beta_n + \dim X^{[n]} - 3 + 1 = 2n - 2. \quad (3)$$

Here we used the fact that $K_{X^{[n]}} \cdot \beta_n = 0$ since the canonical class $K_{X^{[n]}}$ of $X^{[n]}$ is the pullback of a divisor on $X^{(n)}$ via the Hilbert-Chow map.

Take a cohomology class $\alpha \in H^{4n-4}(X^{[n]}, \mathbb{C})$. Consider the evaluation map

$$ev_1: \overline{\mathfrak{M}}_{0,1}(X^{[n]}, d\beta_n) \rightarrow X^{[n]}, \quad ev_1([\mu: (D; p) \rightarrow X^{[n]}]) = \mu(p) \quad (4)$$

Let $[\overline{\mathfrak{M}}_{0,1}(X^{[n]}, d\beta_n)]^{vir}$ be the virtual fundamental class. The main result of the paper is the computation of the 1-point Gromov-Witten invariant

$$\langle \alpha \rangle_{0, d\beta_n} \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \int_{[\overline{\mathfrak{M}}_{0,1}(X^{[n]}, d\beta_n)]^{vir}} ev_1^*(\alpha). \quad (5)$$

We refer to Theorem 3.5 for the detailed statement of the main result.

Our motivation for computing the 1-point Gromov-Witten invariant (5) comes from the above-mentioned Ruan's conjecture for a crepant resolution $\rho: Y \rightarrow Z$ of an orbifold Z . An essential ingredient in Ruan's conjecture is the quantum corrections which are related to the 3-point Gromov-Witten invariants $\langle \alpha_1, \alpha_2, \alpha_3 \rangle_{0, \beta}$ in which $\beta \neq 0$ and $\rho_*(\beta) = 0$. In our case, the symmetric product $X^{(n)}$ is an orbifold, and the Hilbert-Chow map $\rho: X^{[n]} \rightarrow X^{(n)}$ is a crepant resolution of $X^{(n)}$. Moreover, if $\beta \neq 0$ and $\rho_*(\beta) = 0$ for some $\beta \in H_2(X^{[n]}; \mathbb{Z})$, then necessarily $\beta = d\beta_n$ for some positive integer d . Even though it remains to be a challenge to compute all the 3-point Gromov-Witten invariants $\langle \alpha_1, \alpha_2, \alpha_3 \rangle_{0, d\beta_n}$ for $X^{[n]}$ at the present time, we are able to perform computations in some special cases. In particular, we are successful in computing all the 1-point Gromov-Witten invariants $\langle \alpha \rangle_{0, d\beta_n}$. Our Theorem 3.5 partially verifies Ruan's conjecture for the crepant resolution $\rho: X^{[n]} \rightarrow X^{(n)}$. We remark that when $n = 2$, all the 3-point Gromov-Witten invariants of $X^{[2]}$ can be reduced to 1-point Gromov-Witten invariants of $X^{[2]}$. Indeed, our result for $n = 2$ has been used by Ruan [Ru2] to verify his conjecture for the crepant resolution $\rho: X^{[2]} \rightarrow X^{(2)}$ of the symmetric product $X^{(2)}$.

The key step in computing the 1-point Gromov-Witten invariants $\langle \alpha \rangle_{0, d\beta_n}$ is to determine the obstruction bundle over the moduli space $\overline{\mathfrak{M}}_{0,1}(X^{[n]}, d\beta_n)$. Even though the curves homologous to $d\beta_n$ in $X^{[n]}$ are complicated, when we compute $\langle \alpha \rangle_{0, d\beta_n}$, we only

need to deal with those stable maps $[\mu : (D; p) \rightarrow X^{[n]}]$ such that $\mu(D)$ is of the form (2). Using the earlier work [LQZ] concerning rational curves of degree-1 in $X^{[n]}$, we are able to determine the obstruction bundle over a Zariski open subset of $\overline{\mathfrak{M}}_{0,1}(X^{[n]}, d\beta_n)$, which is sufficient for us to compute $\langle \alpha \rangle_{0,d\beta_n}$.

Finally, this paper is organized as follows. In section two, we review Gromov-Witten invariants and virtual fundamental classes. In addition, we discuss some basics of the Hilbert scheme $X^{[n]}$, and determine a basis of $H_4(X^{[n]}, \mathbb{C})$ by using the results of Göttsche, Grojnowski, and Nakajima [Got, Gro, Nak]. In section three, we study the obstruction bundle, and prove Theorem 3.5.

2. Preliminaries

In this section, we shall review the notions of stable maps and Gromov-Witten invariants. In addition, we shall recall some basic facts and notations for the Hilbert scheme of points on a smooth projective surface.

2.1. Stable maps and Gromov-Witten invariants

Let Y be a smooth projective variety. An k -point *stable map* to Y consists of a complete nodal curve D with k distinct ordered smooth points p_1, \dots, p_k and a morphism $\mu : D \rightarrow Y$ such that the data $(\mu, D, p_1, \dots, p_k)$ has only finitely many automorphisms. In this case, the stable map is denoted by $[\mu : (D; p_1, \dots, p_k) \rightarrow Y]$. For a fixed homology class $\beta \in H_2(Y, \mathbb{Z})$, let $\overline{\mathfrak{M}}_{g,k}(Y, \beta)$ be the coarse moduli space parameterizing all the stable maps $[\mu : (D; p_1, \dots, p_k) \rightarrow Y]$ such that $\mu_*[D] = \beta$ and the arithmetic genus of D is g . Then, we have the evaluation map:

$$ev_k : \overline{\mathfrak{M}}_{g,k}(Y, \beta) \rightarrow Y^k \quad (6)$$

defined by $ev_k([\mu : (D; p_1, \dots, p_k) \rightarrow Y]) = (\mu(p_1), \dots, \mu(p_k))$. It is known [F-P, LT1, LT2, B-F] that the coarse moduli space $\overline{\mathfrak{M}}_{g,k}(Y, \beta)$ is projective and has a virtual fundamental class $[\overline{\mathfrak{M}}_{g,k}(Y, \beta)]^{\text{vir}} \in A_{\mathfrak{d}}(\overline{\mathfrak{M}}_{g,k}(Y, \beta))$ where

$$\mathfrak{d} = -(K_Y \cdot \beta) + (\dim(Y) - 3)(1 - g) + k \quad (7)$$

is the expected complex dimension of $\overline{\mathfrak{M}}_{g,k}(Y, \beta)$, and $A_{\mathfrak{d}}(\overline{\mathfrak{M}}_{g,k}(Y, \beta))$ is the Chow group of \mathfrak{d} -dimensional cycles in the moduli space $\overline{\mathfrak{M}}_{g,k}(Y, \beta)$.

The Gromov-Witten invariants are defined by using the virtual fundamental class $[\overline{\mathfrak{M}}_{g,k}(Y, \beta)]^{\text{vir}}$. Recall that an element $\alpha \in H^*(Y, \mathbb{C}) \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \bigoplus_{j=0}^{2 \dim_{\mathbb{C}}(Y)} H^j(Y, \mathbb{C})$ is *homogeneous* if $\alpha \in H^j(Y, \mathbb{C})$ for some j ; in this case, we take $|\alpha| = j$. Let $\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_k \in H^*(Y, \mathbb{C})$ such that every α_i is homogeneous and

$$\sum_{i=1}^k |\alpha_i| = 2\mathfrak{d}. \quad (8)$$

Then, we have the k -point Gromov-Witten invariant defined by:

$$\langle \alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_k \rangle_{g, \beta} = \int_{[\overline{\mathfrak{M}}_{g,k}(Y, \beta)]^{\text{vir}}} ev_k^*(\alpha_1 \otimes \dots \otimes \alpha_k). \quad (9)$$

Next, we summarize certain properties concerning the virtual fundamental class. To begin with, we recall that *the excess dimension* is the difference between the dimension of $\overline{\mathfrak{M}}_{g,k}(Y, \beta)$ and the expected dimension \mathfrak{d} in (7). Let T_Y stand for the tangent sheaf of Y . For $0 \leq i < k$, we shall use

$$f_{k,i} : \overline{\mathfrak{M}}_{g,k}(Y, \beta) \rightarrow \overline{\mathfrak{M}}_{g,i}(Y, \beta) \quad (10)$$

to stand for the forgetful map obtained by forgetting the last $(k-i)$ marked points and contracting all the unstable components. It is known that $f_{k,i}$ is flat when $\beta \neq 0$ and $0 \leq i < k$. The following can be found in [LT1, Beh, Get, C-K, LiJ].

Proposition 2.1. *Let $\beta \in H_2(Y, \mathbb{Z})$ and $\beta \neq 0$. Let e be the excess dimension of $\overline{\mathfrak{M}}_{g,k}(Y, \beta)$, and $\mathfrak{M} \subset \overline{\mathfrak{M}}_{g,k}(Y, \beta)$ be a closed subscheme. Then,*

- (i) $[\overline{\mathfrak{M}}_{g,k}(Y, \beta)]^{\text{vir}} = (f_{k,0})^*[\overline{\mathfrak{M}}_{g,0}(Y, \beta)]^{\text{vir}}$;
- (ii) $[\overline{\mathfrak{M}}_{g,k}(Y, \beta)]^{\text{vir}} = c_e(R^1(f_{k+1,k})_*(ev_{k+1})^*T_Y)$ if $R^1(f_{k+1,k})_*(ev_{k+1})^*T_Y$ is a rank- e locally free sheaf over the moduli space $\overline{\mathfrak{M}}_{g,k}(Y, \beta)$;
- (iii) $[\overline{\mathfrak{M}}_{g,k}(Y, \beta)]^{\text{vir}}|_{\mathfrak{M}} = c_e((R^1(f_{k+1,k})_*(ev_{k+1})^*T_Y)|_{\mathfrak{M}})$ if there exists an open subset \mathfrak{U} of $\overline{\mathfrak{M}}_{g,k}(Y, \beta)$ such that $\mathfrak{M} \subset \mathfrak{U}$ (i.e, \mathfrak{U} is an open neighborhood of \mathfrak{M}) and the restriction $(R^1(f_{k+1,k})_*(ev_{k+1})^*T_Y)|_{\mathfrak{U}}$ is a rank- e locally free sheaf over \mathfrak{U} .

2.2. Basic facts on the Hilbert scheme of points on a surface

Let X be a simply-connected smooth projective surface, and $X^{[n]}$ be the Hilbert scheme of points in X . An element in $X^{[n]}$ is represented by a length- n 0-dimensional closed subscheme ξ of X . For $\xi \in X^{[n]}$, let I_ξ be the corresponding sheaf of ideals. In $X^{[n]} \times X$, we have the universal codimension-2 subscheme:

$$\mathcal{Z}_n = \{(\xi, x) \in X^{[n]} \times X \mid x \in \text{Supp}(\xi)\} \subset X^{[n]} \times X. \quad (11)$$

In $X^{[n-1]} \times X^{[n]}$, we have the $2n$ -dimensional smooth incidence subscheme:

$$X^{[n-1, n]} = \{(\xi, \eta) \in X^{[n-1]} \times X^{[n]} \mid I_\xi \supset I_\eta\}. \quad (12)$$

For a subset $Y \subset X$, we define the subset $M_n(Y)$ in the Hilbert scheme $X^{[n]}$:

$$M_n(Y) = \{\xi \in X^{[n]} \mid \text{Supp}(\xi) \text{ is a point in } Y\} \subset X^{[n]}. \quad (13)$$

In particular, for a fixed point $x \in X$, $M_n(x)$ is just the punctual Hilbert scheme of points on X at x . It is known that the punctual Hilbert schemes $M_n(x)$ are isomorphic for all the surfaces X and all the points $x \in X$.

The definitions and properties of the maps listed below can be found in [E-S].

Notation. There exist various morphisms:

$$\begin{aligned}
 f_n & : X^{[n-1,n]} \rightarrow X^{[n-1]} \text{ with } f_n(\xi, \eta) = \xi. \\
 g_n & : X^{[n-1,n]} \rightarrow X^{[n]} \text{ with } g_n(\xi, \eta) = \eta. \\
 \psi_n & : X^{[n-1,n]} \rightarrow \mathcal{Z}_n \text{ with } \psi_n(\xi, \eta) = (\eta, \text{Supp}(I_\xi/I_\eta)). \\
 q & : X^{[n-1,n]} \rightarrow X \text{ with } q(\xi, \eta) = \text{Supp}(I_\xi/I_\eta).
 \end{aligned}$$

Convention: Let V be an n -dimensional vector space. We use $\mathbb{P}(V)$ to denote the set of 1-dimensional quotients of the vector space V .

Theorem 2.2. (see [E-S]) *Adopt the above notations.*

(i) *The morphism $\psi_n: X^{[n-1,n]} \rightarrow \mathcal{Z}_n$ is canonically isomorphic to the projectification $\mathbb{P}(\omega_{\mathcal{Z}_n}) \rightarrow \mathcal{Z}_n$ where $\omega_{\mathcal{Z}_n}$ is the dualizing sheaf of \mathcal{Z}_n ;*

(ii) *The morphism $(f_n, q): X^{[n-1,n]} \rightarrow X^{[n-1]} \times X$ is canonically isomorphic to the blowing-up of $X^{[n-1]} \times X$ along \mathcal{Z}_{n-1} . The exceptional locus is*

$$E_n = \{(\xi, \eta) \in X^{[n-1,n]} \mid \text{Supp}(\xi) = \text{Supp}(\eta) \text{ and } \xi \subset \eta\}; \quad (14)$$

Let $\xi \in X^{[n-k]}$ and $\eta \in X^{[k]}$. If $\text{Supp}(\xi) \cap \text{Supp}(\eta) = \emptyset$, then we use $\xi + \eta$ to represent the closed subscheme $\xi \cup \eta$ in $X^{[n]}$. Similarly, given a subvariety Y of $X^{[n-k]}$ and a point $\eta \in X^{[k]}$ such that $\left(\bigcup_{\xi \in Y} \text{Supp}(\xi)\right) \cap \text{Supp}(\eta) = \emptyset$, we use $Y + \eta$ to represent the subvariety in $X^{[n]}$ consisting of all the points $\xi + \eta$ with $\xi \in Y$.

Next, we review some results on homology groups of the Hilbert scheme $X^{[n]}$ due to Göttsche [Got], Grojnowski [Gro], and Nakajima [Nak]. Their results say that the space

$\mathbb{H} \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \bigoplus_{n=0}^{\infty} \bigoplus_{k=0}^{4n} H_k(X^{[n]}, \mathbb{C})$ is an irreducible highest weight representation of the Heisenberg

algebra generated by $\mathfrak{a}_{-n}(\alpha)$, $n \in \mathbb{Z}$, $\alpha \in H_*(X, \mathbb{C}) \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \bigoplus_{k=0}^4 H_k(X, \mathbb{C})$. Moreover, $|0\rangle \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} 1 \in$

$H_0(X^{[0]}, \mathbb{C}) = \mathbb{C}$ is a highest weight vector. It follows that the space \mathbb{H} is a linear span of elements of the form $\mathfrak{a}_{-n_1}(\alpha_1) \dots \mathfrak{a}_{-n_k}(\alpha_k)|0\rangle$ where $k \geq 0$, $n_1, \dots, n_k > 0$, and $\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_k \in H_*(X, \mathbb{C})$. The geometric interpretation of $\mathfrak{a}_{-n_1}(\alpha_1) \dots \mathfrak{a}_{-n_k}(\alpha_k)|0\rangle$ for homogeneous classes $\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_k \in H_*(X, \mathbb{C})$ can be understood as follows. For $i = 1, \dots, k$, let $\alpha_i \in H_{|\alpha_i|}(X, \mathbb{C})$ be represented by a cycle A_i such that A_1, \dots, A_k are in general position. Then,

$$\mathfrak{a}_{-n_1}(\alpha_1) \dots \mathfrak{a}_{-n_k}(\alpha_k)|0\rangle \in H_m(X^{[n]}, \mathbb{C}) \quad (15)$$

where $n = \sum_{i=1}^k n_i$ and $m = \sum_{i=1}^k (2n_i - 2 + |\alpha_i|)$. In addition, up to a scalar, $\mathfrak{a}_{-n_1}(\alpha_1) \dots \mathfrak{a}_{-n_k}(\alpha_k)|0\rangle$ is represented by the closure of the real- $\sum_{i=1}^k (2n_i - 2 + |\alpha_i|)$ -dimensional subset:

$$\{\xi_1 + \dots + \xi_k \in X^{[n]} \mid \xi_i \in M_{n_i}(A_i), \text{Supp}(\xi_i) \cap \text{Supp}(\xi_j) = \emptyset \text{ for } i \neq j\} \quad (16)$$

where $M_{n_i}(A_i)$ is the subset of $X^{[n_i]}$ defined by (13).

We shall write down the bases of the homology groups $H_2(X^{[n]}, \mathbb{C})$ and $H_4(X^{[n]}, \mathbb{C})$ in terms of the Heisenberg operators. The following definition introduces some special homology classes in $H_2(X^{[n]}, \mathbb{C})$ and $H_4(X^{[n]}, \mathbb{C})$.

Definition 2.1. Let $x \in X$, and C and \tilde{C} be real-2-dimensional submanifolds of X . Then, we define the following homology classes:

$$\begin{aligned} \beta_C &= \mathfrak{a}_{-1}(C)\mathfrak{a}_{-1}(x)^{n-1}|0\rangle \\ \beta_n &= \mathfrak{a}_{-2}(x)\mathfrak{a}_{-1}(x)^{n-2}|0\rangle \\ \mathfrak{s}_{n,1} &= \mathfrak{a}_{-1}(X)\mathfrak{a}_{-1}(x)^{n-1}|0\rangle \\ \mathfrak{s}_{n,2} &= \mathfrak{a}_{-2}(x)\mathfrak{a}_{-2}(x)\mathfrak{a}_{-1}(x)^{n-4}|0\rangle \\ \mathfrak{s}_{n,3} &= \mathfrak{a}_{-3}(x)\mathfrak{a}_{-1}(x)^{n-3}|0\rangle \\ \mathfrak{s}_{C,1} &= \mathfrak{a}_{-1}(C)\mathfrak{a}_{-2}(x)\mathfrak{a}_{-1}(x)^{n-3}|0\rangle \\ \mathfrak{s}_{C,2} &= \mathfrak{a}_{-2}(C)\mathfrak{a}_{-1}(x)^{n-2}|0\rangle \\ \mathfrak{s}_{C,\tilde{C}} &= \mathfrak{a}_{-1}(C)\mathfrak{a}_{-1}(\tilde{C})\mathfrak{a}_{-1}(x)^{n-2}|0\rangle. \end{aligned}$$

Next, we discuss geometric representations of the above homology classes. First of all, we note from (15) that $\beta_C, \beta_n \in H_2(X^{[n]}, \mathbb{C})$ and $\mathfrak{s}_{n,1}, \mathfrak{s}_{n,2}, \mathfrak{s}_{n,3}, \mathfrak{s}_{C,1}, \mathfrak{s}_{C,2}, \mathfrak{s}_{C,\tilde{C}} \in H_4(X^{[n]}, \mathbb{C})$. For $\eta \in X^{[n-1]}$ with $\text{Supp}(\eta) \cap C = \emptyset$, we see from (16) that

$$\beta_C \sim C + \eta$$

where the symbol “ $A_1 \sim A_2$ ” means that A_1 and A_2 are homologous as homology classes. Similarly, for $x \in X$ and $\eta \in X^{[n-2]}$ with $x \notin \text{Supp}(\eta)$, we have

$$\beta_n \sim M_2(x) + \eta. \quad (17)$$

For $x_1, x_2 \in X$ and $\eta \in X^{[n-4]}$ satisfying $x_1 \neq x_2$ and $x_1, x_2 \notin \text{Supp}(\eta)$,

$$\mathfrak{s}_{n,2} \sim M_2(x_1) + M_2(x_2) + \eta. \quad (18)$$

For $x \in X$ and $\eta \in X^{[n-3]}$ with $x \notin C \cup \text{Supp}(\eta)$ and $\text{Supp}(\eta) \cap C = \emptyset$, we get

$$\mathfrak{s}_{n,3} \sim M_3(x) + \eta, \quad (19)$$

$$\mathfrak{s}_{C,1} \sim C + M_2(x) + \eta. \quad (20)$$

For a fixed $\eta \in X^{[n-2]}$ satisfying $\text{Supp}(\eta) \cap C = \emptyset$, we have

$$\mathfrak{s}_{C,2} \sim M_2(C) + \eta. \quad (21)$$

For $\eta = x_1 + \dots + x_{n-1} \in X^{[n-1]}$ where x_1, \dots, x_{n-1} are distinct, we obtain

$$\mathfrak{s}_{n,1} \sim \text{“the closure of } (X \setminus \text{Supp}(\eta)) + \eta \text{ in } X^{[n]} \text{”}. \quad (22)$$

Alternatively, consider the following commutative diagram:

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \tilde{X}_\eta & \subset & X^{[n-1,n]} & \xrightarrow{g_n} & X^{[n]} \\ \downarrow & & \downarrow (f_n, q) & & \\ \eta \times X & \subset & X^{[n-1]} \times X & & \end{array} \quad (23)$$

where \tilde{X}_η stands for the strict transform of $\eta \times X$. By Theorem 2.2 (ii), (f_n, q) is the blowup of $X^{[n-1]} \times X$ along \mathcal{Z}_{n-1} . So \tilde{X}_η is isomorphic to the blowup of X at the $(n-1)$ distinct points x_1, \dots, x_{n-1} . Moreover, $g_n|_{\tilde{X}_\eta} : \tilde{X}_\eta \rightarrow g_n(\tilde{X}_\eta)$ is an isomorphism and $g_n(\tilde{X}_\eta)$ is precisely the closure of $(X \setminus \text{Supp}(\eta)) + \eta$ in the Hilbert scheme $X^{[n]}$. So in view of (22), we conclude that

$$\mathfrak{s}_{n,1} \sim g_n(\tilde{X}_\eta). \quad (24)$$

Note that the $(n-1)$ exceptional curves in the surface $g_n(\tilde{X}_\eta)$ are

$$M_2(x_i) + (\eta \setminus \{x_i\}), \quad i = 1, \dots, n-1. \quad (25)$$

Finally, choose $\eta \in X^{[n-2]}$ such that $\text{Supp}(\eta) \cap (C \cup \tilde{C}) = \emptyset$. Then according to (16), when C and \tilde{C} are in general position, $\mathfrak{s}_{C,\tilde{C}}$ is the closure of the subset

$$\{x + \tilde{x} + \eta \mid x \in C, \tilde{x} \in \tilde{C}, \text{ and } x \neq \tilde{x}\} \subset X^{[n]}. \quad (26)$$

Lemma 2.3. *Assume that $n \geq 2$ and X is simply-connected. Let $\{\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_s\}$ be a basis of $H_2(X, \mathbb{C})$ represented by real surfaces $\{C_1, \dots, C_s\}$ respectively. Then,*

- (i) *a basis of $H_2(X^{[n]}, \mathbb{C})$ consists of the homology classes $\beta_n, \beta_{C_1}, \dots, \beta_{C_s}$;*
- (ii) *a basis of $H_4(X^{[n]}, \mathbb{C})$ consists of the homology classes $\mathfrak{s}_{n,1}, \mathfrak{s}_{n,2}, \mathfrak{s}_{n,3}, \mathfrak{s}_{C_i,1}$ ($i = 1, \dots, s$), $\mathfrak{s}_{C_i,2}$ ($i = 1, \dots, s$), and \mathfrak{s}_{C_i,C_j} ($i, j = 1, \dots, s$).*

Proof. We shall only prove (ii) since similar argument works for (i).

Fix a point $x \in X$. Expand the basis $\{\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_s\}$ of $H_2(X, \mathbb{C})$ to the basis $\{\alpha_0 = x, \alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_s, \alpha_{s+1} = X\}$ of $H_*(X, \mathbb{C}) = H_0(X, \mathbb{C}) \oplus H_2(X, \mathbb{C}) \oplus H_4(X, \mathbb{C})$. By (15), a basis of $H_4(X^{[n]}, \mathbb{C})$ consists of

$$\mathbf{a}_{-n_1}(\alpha_{m_1}) \dots \mathbf{a}_{-n_k}(\alpha_{m_k}) | 0 \rangle \quad (27)$$

satisfying $n_i \geq 1$, $\sum_{i=1}^k n_i = n$, and $\sum_{i=1}^k (2n_i - 2 + |\alpha_{m_i}|) = 4$. Note that since X is simply-connected, $|\alpha_{m_i}| \in \{0, 2, 4\}$ for every i . Also, $n_i \leq 3$ for every i .

First of all, suppose that $n_i = 3$ for some i . From $\sum_{i=1}^k (2n_i - 2 + |\alpha_{m_i}|) = 4$, we see that such an i is unique and $n_j = 1$ for $j \neq i$. Moreover, $|\alpha_{m_j}| = 0$ for every j , i.e., $\alpha_{m_j} = \alpha_0 = x$ for every j . Since $\sum_{i=1}^k n_i = n$, we have $k = (n - 2)$. So in view of Definition 2.1, the homology class (27) is $\mathfrak{s}_{n,3}$.

In the following, we assume that $n_i \leq 2$ for every i . Then, $n_i = 2$ for at most two i 's. Suppose $n_i = 2$ for two i 's, say, $n_1 = n_2 = 2$. Then, $n_j = 1$ for $j \neq 1, 2$, $k = (n - 2)$, and $|\alpha_{m_j}| = 0$ for every j . So the homology class (27) is $\mathfrak{s}_{n,2}$.

Next, suppose $n_i = 2$ for exactly one i (and $n_j = 1$ for $j \neq i$), say, $n_1 = 2$ (and $n_j = 1$ for $j \neq 1$). Then, $|\alpha_{m_{i_0}}| = 2$ for some i_0 and $|\alpha_{m_j}| = 0$ for $j \neq i_0$. Thus, the homology class (27) is $\mathfrak{s}_{C_{m_1},2}$ if $i_0 = 1$, and $\mathfrak{s}_{C_{m_1},1}$ if $i_0 > 1$.

Finally, assume $n_i = 1$ for every i . Then, $k = n$ and $\sum_{i=1}^k |\alpha_{m_i}| = 4$. If $|\alpha_{m_{i_0}}| = 4$ for some i_0 and $|\alpha_{m_j}| = 0$ for $j \neq i_0$, then the homology class (27) is $\mathfrak{s}_{n,1}$. The remaining case is when $|\alpha_{m_{i_0}}| = |\alpha_{m_{i_1}}| = 2$ for some i_0 and i_1 with $i_0 \neq i_1$, and $|\alpha_{m_j}| = 0$ for $j \neq i_0, i_1$. In this case, the homology class (27) is $\mathfrak{s}_{C_{m_{i_0}}, C_{m_{i_1}}}$. \square

Next, we recall certain results proved in section 4 of [LQZ].

Theorem 2.4. (see [LQZ]) *Let $n \geq 2$, and X be simply-connected.*

(i) *A curve γ in $X^{[n]}$ is homologous to β_n if and only if $\gamma = f_{n+1}(C)$ where C is a line in the projective space $(\psi_{n+1})^{-1}(\eta, x)$ for some $(\eta, x) \in \mathcal{Z}_{n+1}$. Moreover, in this case, the point (η, x) and the line C are uniquely determined by γ ;*

(ii) *Let $\mathfrak{M}(\beta_n)$ be the moduli space of all the curves in the Hilbert scheme $X^{[n]}$ homologous to β_n . Then, $\mathfrak{M}(\beta_n)$ has dimension $(2n - 2)$, and its top stratum consists of all the points corresponding to curves of the form (2);*

(iii) *Let γ be the curve of the form (2). Then, its normal bundle in $X^{[n]}$ is*

$$N_{\gamma \subset X^{[n]}} \cong \mathcal{O}_{\gamma}^{\oplus(2n-2)} \oplus \mathcal{O}_{\gamma}(-2). \quad (28)$$

3. The 1-point Gromov-Witten invariants $\langle \alpha \rangle_{0,d\beta_n}$ of $X^{[n]}$

In this section, we shall compute all the 1-point Gromov-Witten invariants $\langle \alpha \rangle_{0,d\beta_n}$ of $X^{[n]}$ for $n \geq 2$ and $d \geq 1$. One of the key steps is to determine the obstruction bundle over a Zariski open subset of the moduli space $\overline{\mathfrak{M}}_{0,0}(X^{[n]}, d\beta_n)$.

3.1. The obstruction bundle

We start with some notations. Let S_n be the symmetric group of n letters, and $|\text{Supp}(\xi)|$ be the number of points in $\text{Supp}(\xi)$. Recall from (1) the Hilbert-Chow map $\rho: X^{[n]} \rightarrow X^{(n)} = X^n/S_n$, where X^n is the Cartesian product of n copies of X . Let $\sigma: X^n \rightarrow X^{(n)}$ be the natural quotient map.

Notation. Put $X_*^{[n]} = \{\xi \in X^{[n]} \mid \text{Supp}(\xi) \geq n-1\}$ and

$$\begin{aligned} X_*^{(n)} &= \rho(X_*^{[n]}), \\ X_*^n &= \sigma^{-1}(X_*^{(n)}), \\ B &= \{\xi \in X^{[n]} \mid \text{Supp}(\xi) < n\}, \\ B_* &= \{\xi \in X^{[n]} \mid \text{Supp}(\xi) = n-1\}, \\ X_{s_*}^{(n)} &= \rho(B_*), \\ \Delta_{n_*} &= \sigma^{-1}(\rho(B)) \cap X_*^n = \prod_{1 \leq i < j \leq n} \widetilde{\Delta}_{n_*}^{i,j} \end{aligned}$$

where $\widetilde{\Delta}_{n_*}^{i,j} = \{(x_1, \dots, x_i, \dots, x_j, \dots, x_n) \in X_*^n \mid x_i = x_j\}$ for $1 \leq i < j \leq n$.

When we compute the 1-point Gromov-Witten invariants $\langle \alpha \rangle_{0,d\beta_n}$, only $X_*^{[n]}$ is involved in most of the cases. Even though $X^{[n]}$ is very complicated, the open subset $X_*^{[n]}$ has a very simple description given below (see [Fo2]). Let \widetilde{X}_*^n be the blow up of X_*^n along the big diagonal Δ_{n_*} . The action of S_n on X_*^n lifts to an action on \widetilde{X}_*^n and $X_*^{[n]} = \widetilde{X}_*^n/S_n$. Let $\tilde{\sigma}: \widetilde{X}_*^n \rightarrow X_*^{[n]}$ be the quotient map. Let $E_*^{i,j} \subset \widetilde{X}_*^n$ be the exceptional locus over $\Delta_{n_*}^{i,j}$. Consider the following morphisms:

$$p_{1,2} : \Delta_{n_*}^{1,2} \longrightarrow X, \quad (x, x, x_3, \dots, x_n) \rightarrow x, \quad (29)$$

$$j_2 : X_{s_*}^{(n)} \longrightarrow X, \quad 2x + x_3 + \dots + x_n \rightarrow x. \quad (30)$$

Since the normal bundle of $\Delta_{n_*}^{1,2}$ in X_*^n is isomorphic to $p_{1,2}^*T_X$, we have $E_*^{1,2} \cong \mathbb{P}(p_{1,2}^*T_X)$. The subgroup $S_2 \times S_{n-2} \subset S_n$ acts on $\Delta_{n_*}^{1,2}$ with the S_2 -factor acting trivially on $\Delta_{n_*}^{1,2}$. The action of $S_2 \times S_{n-2}$ on $\Delta_{n_*}^{1,2}$ lifts to an action on $E_*^{1,2}$. It is easy to see that $X_{s_*}^{(n)} = \Delta_{n_*}^{1,2}/(S_2 \times S_{n-2})$ and $B_* = E_*^{1,2}/(S_2 \times S_{n-2})$. Regard $p_{1,2}: \Delta_{n_*}^{1,2} \rightarrow X$ as an $S_2 \times S_{n-2}$ -equivariant morphism where $S_2 \times S_{n-2}$ acts on X trivially. Then, $S_2 \times S_{n-2}$ acts on $p_{1,2}^*T_X^*$, and the isomorphism $E_*^{1,2} \cong \mathbb{P}(p_{1,2}^*T_X^*)$ is $S_2 \times S_{n-2}$ -equivariant. So we get an isomorphism

$$j_1: B_* = E_*^{1,2}/(S_2 \times S_{n-2}) \cong \mathbb{P}(p_{1,2}^*T_X^*)/(S_2 \times S_{n-2}) \cong \mathbb{P}(j_2^*T_X^*).$$

where the last isomorphism is due to the fact that the S_2 -factor acts trivially on $p_{1,2}^*T_X$ and the S_{n-2} -factor commutes with the morphism $p_{1,2}$.

Next, we study $\mathcal{O}_{B_*}(B_*)$. Since $\tilde{\sigma}^*\mathcal{O}_{X_*^{[n]}}(B_*) \cong \mathcal{O}_{\widetilde{X}_*^n}(2\sum_{1 \leq i < j \leq n} E_*^{i,j})$ and $E_*^{i,j} \cap E_*^{1,2} \neq \emptyset$ if and only if $i = 1$ and $j = 2$, we conclude that

$$(\tilde{\sigma}|_{E_*^{1,2}})^*\mathcal{O}_{B_*}(B_*) \cong \tilde{\sigma}^*\mathcal{O}_{X_*^{[n]}}(B_*)|_{E_*^{1,2}} \cong \mathcal{O}_{E_*^{1,2}}(2E_*^{1,2}) \cong \mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}(p_{1,2}^*T_X^*)}(-2) \quad (31)$$

where we have used the fact that $\mathcal{O}_{E_*^{1,2}}(E_*^{1,2}) \cong \mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}(p_{1,2}^*T_X^*)}(-1)$ via the isomorphism $E_*^{1,2} \cong \mathbb{P}(p_{1,2}^*T_X^*)$. Note that $\mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}(p_{1,2}^*T_X^*)}(-2) = \tau^*(\mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}(j_2^*T_X^*)}(-2))$ where $\tau: \mathbb{P}(p_{1,2}^*T_X^*) \rightarrow \mathbb{P}(j_2^*T_X^*)$ is the natural morphism. Moreover, $j_1 \circ (\tilde{\sigma}|_{E_*^{1,2}}) = \tau$ via the isomorphism $E_*^{1,2} \cong$

$\mathbb{P}(p_{1,2}^*T_X^*)$. Combining with (31), we obtain $(\tilde{\sigma}|_{E_*^{1,2}})^*\mathcal{O}_{B_*}(B_*) \cong (\tilde{\sigma}|_{E_*^{1,2}})^*(j_1^*\mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}(j_2^*T_X^*)}(-2))$. Since $\text{Pic}(B_*)$ has no torsion, we have

$$\mathcal{O}_{B_*}(B_*) \cong j_1^*\mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}(j_2^*T_X^*)}(-2). \quad (32)$$

Consider the open subset \mathfrak{U}_0 of $\overline{\mathfrak{M}}_{0,0}(X^{[n]}, d\beta_n)$ consisting of stable maps $[\mu: D \rightarrow X^{[n]}]$ such that $\mu(D) \subset X_*^{[n]}$. Similarly, take the open subset \mathfrak{U}_1 of $\overline{\mathfrak{M}}_{0,1}(X^{[n]}, d\beta_n)$ consisting of stable maps $[\mu: (D; p) \rightarrow X^{[n]}]$ such that $\mu(D) \subset X_*^{[n]}$. Clearly $\mathfrak{U}_1 = f_{1,0}^{-1}(\mathfrak{U}_0)$. Let $[\mu: (D; p) \rightarrow X^{[n]}] \in \mathfrak{U}_1$. Since $\mu_*(D) \sim d\beta_n$, we must have $\mu(D) = M_2(x_2) + x_3 + \dots + x_n$ for some distinct points $x_2, \dots, x_n \in X$. Hence $\mu(D) \subset B_*$. Moreover, the composite $\rho \circ ev_1$ sends the stable map $[\mu: (D; p) \rightarrow X^{[n]}]$ to the point $2x_2 + x_3 + \dots + x_n$, which is independent of the marked point p on D . Hence ev_1 induces a morphism ϕ from \mathfrak{U}_0 to $\rho(B_*)$. Putting $\tilde{ev}_1 = ev_1|_{\mathfrak{U}_1}$ and $\tilde{f}_{1,0} = f_{1,0}|_{\mathfrak{U}_1}$, we have the following commutative diagram:

$$\begin{array}{ccccc} \mathfrak{U}_1 & \xrightarrow{\tilde{ev}_1} & B_* & \xrightarrow{j_1} & \mathbb{P}(j_2^*T_X^*) \\ \downarrow \tilde{f}_{1,0} & & \downarrow \rho & & \downarrow \pi \\ \mathfrak{U}_0 & \xrightarrow{\phi} & \rho(B_*) & = & X_{s*}^{(n)} \xrightarrow{j_2} X \end{array} \quad (33)$$

where $\pi: \mathbb{P}(j_2^*T_X^*) \rightarrow X_{s*}^{(n)}$ is the natural projection of the \mathbb{P}^1 -bundle.

Note that the fiber $\phi^{-1}(2x_2 + x_3 + \dots + x_n)$ over a fixed point $2x_2 + x_3 + \dots + x_n \in \rho(B_*)$ is simply $\overline{\mathfrak{M}}_{0,0}(M_2(x_2) + x_3 + \dots + x_n, d[M_2(x_2) + x_3 + \dots + x_n])$ which is isomorphic to the moduli space $\overline{\mathfrak{M}}_{0,0}(\mathbb{P}^1, d[\mathbb{P}^1])$ via the isomorphism $M_2(x_2) + x_3 + \dots + x_n \cong \mathbb{P}^1$. Hence the complex dimension of \mathfrak{U}_0 is equal to

$$\dim \overline{\mathfrak{M}}_{0,0}(\mathbb{P}^1, d[\mathbb{P}^1]) + 2(n-1) = 2n - 3 + 2d - 1.$$

The expected dimension of $\mathfrak{M}_{0,0}(X^{[n]}, d\beta_n)$ is $2n - 3$ according to the formula (7) where we used $K_{X^{[n]}} \cdot d\beta_n = 0$. Hence the excess dimension of \mathfrak{U}_0 is $e = (2d - 1)$.

Lemma 3.1. *With notations as above, the restriction of $R^1(f_{1,0})_*(ev_1^*T_{X^{[n]}})$ to \mathfrak{U}_0 is a locally free sheaf of rank $(2d - 1)$.*

Proof. Take a stable map $u = [\mu: D \rightarrow X^{[n]}]$ in \mathfrak{U}_0 , and consider

$$H^1(f_{1,0}^{-1}(u), (ev_1^*T_{X^{[n]}})|_{f_{1,0}^{-1}(u)}) \cong H^1(D, \mu^*T_{X^{[n]}}).$$

Since $\mu(D) = M_2(x_2) + x_3 + \dots + x_n \cong \mathbb{P}^1$ for some distinct points x_2, \dots, x_n , we have $T_{X^{[n]}}|_{\mu(D)} = \mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}^1}(2) \oplus \mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}^1}(-2) \oplus \mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}^1}^{(2n-2)}$ by Theorem 2.4 (iii). Thus

$$H^1(D, \mu^*T_{X^{[n]}}) \cong H^1(D, \mu^*\mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}^1}(-2))$$

which has dimension equal to the excess dimension $e = (2d - 1)$. Hence the direct image sheaf $R^1(f_{1,0})_*(ev_1^*T_{X^{[n]}})$ over \mathfrak{U}_0 is locally free of rank $(2d - 1)$. \square

Suppose that \mathfrak{M}_1 is a closed subset of $\overline{\mathfrak{M}}_{0,1}(X^{[n]}, d\beta_n)$ contained in \mathfrak{U}_1 and $\mathfrak{M}_0 = f_{1,0}(\mathfrak{M}_1) \subset \mathfrak{U}_0 \subset \overline{\mathfrak{M}}_{0,0}(X^{[n]}, d\beta_n)$. By Proposition 2.1 (i) and (iii), we have

$$[\overline{\mathfrak{M}}_{0,1}(Y, \beta)]^{\text{vir}}|_{\mathfrak{M}_1} = (\tilde{f}_{1,0})^* c_{2d-1}((R^1(f_{1,0})_*(ev_1)^*T_{X^{[n]}})|_{\mathfrak{M}_0}). \quad (34)$$

Hence it is crucial to determine the sheaf $R^1(f_{1,0})_*(ev_1)^*T_{X^{[n]}}$ over \mathfrak{U}_0 .

Lemma 3.2. *Let \mathcal{V} denote the restriction of $R^1(f_{1,0})_*(ev_1)^*T_{X^{[n]}}$ to \mathfrak{U}_0 . Then,*

- (i) $\mathcal{V} \cong R^1(\tilde{f}_{1,0})_*(\tilde{e}v_1)^*\mathcal{O}_{B_*}(B_*) \cong R^1(\tilde{f}_{1,0})_*(j_1 \circ \tilde{e}v_1)^*\mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}(j_2^*T_X^*)}(-2)$.
- (ii) *the locally free sheaf \mathcal{V} sits in the exact sequence*

$$\begin{aligned} 0 &\rightarrow (j_2 \circ \phi)^*\mathcal{O}_X(-K_X) \rightarrow \mathcal{V} \\ &\rightarrow R^1(\tilde{f}_{1,0})_*(j_1 \circ \tilde{e}v_1)^*((j_2 \circ \pi)^*T_X \otimes \mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}(j_2^*T_X^*)}(-1)) \rightarrow 0. \end{aligned} \quad (35)$$

Proof. (i) Since $ev_1(\mathfrak{U}_1) \subset B_*$, we have $((ev_1)^*T_{X^{[n]}})|_{\mathfrak{U}_1} = (\tilde{e}v_1)^*(T_{X^{[n]}}|_{B_*})$ and $\mathcal{V} = (R^1(f_{1,0})_*(ev_1)^*T_{X^{[n]}})|_{\mathfrak{U}_0} = R^1(\tilde{f}_{1,0})_*(((ev_1)^*T_{X^{[n]}})|_{\mathfrak{U}_1}) = R^1(\tilde{f}_{1,0})_*(\tilde{e}v_1)^*(T_{X^{[n]}}|_{B_*})$. Since B_* is a smooth codimension-1 subvariety of $X^{[n]}$, we obtain the exact sequence

$$0 \rightarrow T_{B_*} \rightarrow T_{X^{[n]}}|_{B_*} \rightarrow \mathcal{O}_{B_*}(B_*) \rightarrow 0. \quad (36)$$

Applying $(\tilde{e}v_1)^*$ and $(\tilde{f}_{1,0})_*$ to the exact sequence (36), we get

$$R^1(\tilde{f}_{1,0})_*(\tilde{e}v_1)^*T_{B_*} \rightarrow \mathcal{V} \rightarrow R^1(\tilde{f}_{1,0})_*(\tilde{e}v_1)^*\mathcal{O}_{B_*}(B_*) \rightarrow 0.$$

where we have used $R^2(\tilde{f}_{1,0})_*(\tilde{e}v_1)^*T_{B_*} = 0$ since $\tilde{f}_{1,0}$ is of relative dimension 1.

If $[\mu: D \rightarrow X^{[n]}]$ is a stable map in \mathfrak{U}_0 , then $\mu(D) = M_2(x_2) + x_3 + \dots + x_n$. Hence the normal bundle of $\mu(D)$ in B_* is trivial since $\mu(D)$ is a fiber of the \mathbb{P}^1 -bundle $\mathbb{P}(j_2^*T_X^*)$ over $X_{s^*}^{(n)}$. Thus $T_{B_*}|_{\mu(D)} \cong \mathcal{O}_{\mu(D)}(2) \oplus \mathcal{O}_{\mu(D)}^{\oplus(2n-2)}$. Therefore, $H^1(D, \mu^*T_{B_*}) \cong H^1(D, \mu^*(\mathcal{O}_{\mu(D)}(2) \oplus \mathcal{O}_{\mu(D)}^{\oplus(2n-2)})) = 0$, and $R^1(\tilde{f}_{1,0})_*(\tilde{e}v_1)^*T_{B_*} = 0$. So in view of (32), we have

$$\mathcal{V} \cong R^1(\tilde{f}_{1,0})_*(\tilde{e}v_1)^*\mathcal{O}_{B_*}(B_*) \cong R^1(\tilde{f}_{1,0})_*(j_1 \circ \tilde{e}v_1)^*\mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}(j_2^*T_X^*)}(-2).$$

(ii) For simplicity, we denote $\mathbb{P}(j_2^*T_X^*)$ by \mathbb{P} . Consider the natural surjection $\pi^*(j_2^*T_X^*) \rightarrow \mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}}(1) \rightarrow 0$. The kernel of this surjection is a line bundle. By comparing the first Chern classes, we get the following exact sequence:

$$0 \rightarrow \pi^*\mathcal{O}_{X_s^{(n)}}(j_2^*K_X) \otimes \mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}}(-1) \rightarrow \pi^*(j_2^*T_X^*) \rightarrow \mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}}(1) \rightarrow 0. \quad (37)$$

Tensoring (37) with $\pi^*\mathcal{O}_{X_s^{(n)}}(-j_2^*K_X) \otimes \mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}}(-1)$, we get

$$\begin{aligned} 0 &\rightarrow \mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}}(-2) \rightarrow (j_2 \circ \pi)^*(T_X^* \otimes \mathcal{O}_X(-K_X)) \otimes \mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}}(-1) \\ &\rightarrow (j_2 \circ \pi)^*\mathcal{O}_X(-K_X) \rightarrow 0. \end{aligned} \quad (38)$$

Note that $T_X^* \otimes \mathcal{O}_X(-K_X) \cong T_X$. Applying $(j_1 \circ \tilde{e}v_1)^*$ to (38) yields

$$\begin{aligned} 0 &\rightarrow (j_1 \circ \tilde{e}v_1)^*\mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}}(-2) \rightarrow (j_1 \circ \tilde{e}v_1)^*((j_2 \circ \pi)^*T_X \otimes \mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}}(-1)) \\ &\rightarrow (j_2 \circ \pi \circ j_1 \circ \tilde{e}v_1)^*\mathcal{O}_X(-K_X) \rightarrow 0. \end{aligned} \quad (39)$$

By (33), we have $(j_2 \circ \pi \circ j_1 \circ \tilde{e}v_1)^* = (j_2 \circ \phi \circ \tilde{f}_{1,0})^* = (\tilde{f}_{1,0})^* \circ (j_2 \circ \phi)^*$. So rewriting the 3rd term in the exact sequence (39), we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} 0 &\rightarrow (j_1 \circ \tilde{e}v_1)^* \mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}^1}(-2) \rightarrow (j_1 \circ \tilde{e}v_1)^*((j_2 \circ \pi)^* T_X \otimes \mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}^1}(-1)) \\ &\rightarrow (\tilde{f}_{1,0})^*((j_2 \circ \phi)^* \mathcal{O}_X(-K_X)) \rightarrow 0. \end{aligned} \quad (40)$$

Applying $(\tilde{f}_{1,0})_*$ to the above exact sequence and using part (i), we have

$$\begin{aligned} 0 &\rightarrow (\tilde{f}_{1,0})_*(\tilde{f}_{1,0})^*((j_2 \circ \phi)^* \mathcal{O}_X(-K_X)) \rightarrow \mathcal{V} \\ &\rightarrow R^1(\tilde{f}_{1,0})_*(j_1 \circ \tilde{e}v_1)^*((j_2 \circ \pi)^* T_X \otimes \mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}^1}(-1)) \\ &\rightarrow R^1(\tilde{f}_{1,0})_*(\tilde{f}_{1,0})^*((j_2 \circ \phi)^* \mathcal{O}_X(-K_X)). \end{aligned}$$

where we have used $(\tilde{f}_{1,0})_*(j_1 \circ \tilde{e}v_1)^*((j_2 \circ \pi)^* T_X \otimes \mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}^1}(-1)) = 0$. Note that $(\tilde{f}_{1,0})_* \mathcal{O}_{\mathcal{M}_1} \cong \mathcal{O}_{\mathcal{M}_0}$ and $R^1(\tilde{f}_{1,0})_* \mathcal{O}_{\mathcal{M}_1} = 0$. So we get

$$\begin{aligned} (\tilde{f}_{1,0})_*(\tilde{f}_{1,0})^*((j_2 \circ \phi)^* \mathcal{O}_X(-K_X)) &\cong (j_2 \circ \phi)^* \mathcal{O}_X(-K_X) \otimes (\tilde{f}_{1,0})_* \mathcal{O}_{\mathcal{M}_1} \\ &\cong (j_2 \circ \phi)^* \mathcal{O}_X(-K_X) \end{aligned}$$

by the projection formula. Similarly, $R^1(\tilde{f}_{1,0})_*(\tilde{f}_{1,0})^*((j_2 \circ \phi)^* \mathcal{O}_X(-K_X)) = 0$. Therefore, the locally free sheaf \mathcal{V} sits in the exact sequence (35). \square

Remark 3.1. Fix distinct points x_2, \dots, x_n on X . Via the isomorphism $\phi^{-1}(2x_2 + x_3 + \dots + x_n) \cong \overline{\mathfrak{M}}_{0,0}(\mathbb{P}^1, d[\mathbb{P}^1])$, the restriction of $R^1(\tilde{f}_{1,0})_*(j_1 \circ \tilde{e}v_1)^*((j_2 \circ \pi)^* T_X \otimes \mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}^1}(-1))$ to $\phi^{-1}(2x_2 + x_3 + \dots + x_n)$ is isomorphic to

$$R^1(f_{1,0})_*(ev_1)^*(\mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}^1}(-1) \oplus \mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}^1}(-1))$$

where by abusing notations, we still use $f_{1,0}$ and ev_1 to denote the forgetful map and the evaluation map from $\overline{\mathfrak{M}}_{0,1}(\mathbb{P}^1, d[\mathbb{P}^1])$ to $\overline{\mathfrak{M}}_{0,0}(\mathbb{P}^1, d[\mathbb{P}^1])$ and \mathbb{P}^1 respectively.

3.2. The 1-point Gromov-Witten invariants $\langle \alpha \rangle_{0,d\beta_n}$

In this subsection, we compute all the 1-point Gromov-Witten invariants $\langle \alpha \rangle_{0,d\beta_n}$ for the Hilbert schemes $X^{[n]}$. Recall from (8) and (7) that $|\alpha| = 4n - 4$. In view of Lemma 2.3 (ii), we need only to compute $\langle \alpha \rangle_{0,d\beta_n}$ when α is the Poincaré duals of $\mathfrak{s}_{n,1}$, $\mathfrak{s}_{n,2}$, $\mathfrak{s}_{n,3}$, $\mathfrak{s}_{C_1,1}$, $\mathfrak{s}_{C_1,2}$, and \mathfrak{s}_{C_1,C_2} where C_1 and C_2 are two smooth real surfaces in X . These six cases will be divided into two lemmas.

Lemma 3.3. *Let $d \geq 1$, and C_1 and C_2 be smooth real surfaces in X .*

- (i) *If α is the Poincaré dual of $\mathfrak{s}_{n,1}$, \mathfrak{s}_{C_1,C_2} , or $\mathfrak{s}_{C_1,1}$, then $\langle \alpha \rangle_{0,d\beta_n} = 0$.*
- (ii) *If α is the Poincaré dual of $\mathfrak{s}_{C_1,2}$, then $\langle \alpha \rangle_{0,d\beta_n} = 2(K_X \cdot C_1)/d^2$.*

Proof. (i) Suppose that α is Poincaré dual to $\mathfrak{s}_{n,1}$. Fix distinct points $x_1, \dots, x_{n-1} \in X$ which are not contained in $C_1 \cup C_2$. By (24), $\mathfrak{s}_{n,1} \sim g_n(\widetilde{X}_\eta) \cong \widetilde{X}_\eta$ where \widetilde{X}_η is the blow up of X along $\eta = x_1 + \dots + x_{n-1}$. Moreover, the exceptional curves in $g_n(\widetilde{X}_\eta)$ are $\rho^{-1}(x_1 + \dots + x_{i-1} + 2x_i + x_{i+1} + \dots + x_{n-1})$ for $1 \leq i \leq n-1$. Let \mathfrak{M}_1 be

the subset of $\overline{\mathfrak{M}}_{0,1}(X^{[n]}, d\beta_n)$ consisting of all the stable maps $[\mu: (D; p) \rightarrow X^{[n]}]$ such that $\mu(p) \in g_n(\widetilde{X}_\eta)$. In this case, $\mu(D)$ is one of the exceptional curves in $g_n(\widetilde{X}_\eta) \subset B_*$. In particular, the stable maps $[\mu: (D; p) \rightarrow X^{[n]}]$ are contained in \mathfrak{U}_1 , and $\mathfrak{M}_1 = \prod_{1 \leq i \leq n-1} (\tilde{f}_{1,0})^{-1}(\phi^{-1}(x_1 + \dots + x_{i-1} + 2x_i + x_{i+1} + \dots + x_{n-1}))$. So as algebraic cycles, we have $[\mathfrak{M}_1] = \sum_{i=1}^{n-1} (\tilde{f}_{1,0})^* \phi^* [x_1 + \dots + x_{i-1} + 2x_i + x_{i+1} + \dots + x_{n-1}]$. By Lemma 3.2 (ii), we get $c_{2d-1}(\mathcal{V}) = -(j_2 \circ \phi)^* K_X \cdot c_{2d-2}(\mathcal{E})$ where $\mathcal{E} = R^1(\tilde{f}_{1,0})^*(j_1 \circ \tilde{e}v_1)^*((j_2 \circ \pi)^* T_X \otimes \mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}(j_2^* T_X^*)}(-1))$. In view of (9) and (34),

$$\begin{aligned} \langle \alpha \rangle_{0, d\beta_n} &= \int_{[\overline{\mathfrak{M}}_{0,1}(Y, \beta)]^{\text{vir}}} (ev_1)^* \alpha = [\mathfrak{M}_1] \cdot [\overline{\mathfrak{M}}_{0,1}(Y, \beta)]^{\text{vir}} \\ &= [\mathfrak{M}_1] \cdot [\overline{\mathfrak{M}}_{0,1}(Y, \beta)]^{\text{vir}}|_{\mathfrak{M}_1} = [\mathfrak{M}_1] \cdot (\tilde{f}_{1,0})^*(c_{2d-1}(\mathcal{V})) \\ &= - \sum_{i=1}^{n-1} (\tilde{f}_{1,0})^* \left(\phi^* ([x_1 + \dots + 2x_i + \dots + x_{n-1}] \cdot j_2^* K_X) \cdot c_{2d-2}(\mathcal{E}) \right) = 0. \end{aligned}$$

Next let α be the Poincaré dual of \mathfrak{s}_{C_1, C_2} . We may assume that C_1 and C_2 intersect transversally at the points y_1, \dots, y_m . By (26), \mathfrak{s}_{C_1, C_2} is the closure of

$$\{x + \tilde{x} + x_1 + \dots + x_{n-2} \mid x \in C_1, \tilde{x} \in C_2, \text{ and } x \neq \tilde{x}\} \subset X^{[n]}.$$

Let $\mathfrak{M}'_1 \subset \overline{\mathfrak{M}}_{0,1}(X^{[n]}, d\beta_n)$ consist of all the stable maps $[\mu: (D; p) \rightarrow X^{[n]}]$ such that $\mu(p) \in \mathfrak{s}_{C_1, C_2}$. In this case, $\rho(\mu(D)) = 2y_k + x_1 + \dots + x_{n-2}$ for some k with $1 \leq k \leq m$. Therefore, $\mu(D) = \rho^{-1}(2y_k + x_1 + \dots + x_{n-2})$. Hence the stable map $[\mu: (D; p) \rightarrow X^{[n]}]$ is contained in \mathfrak{U}_1 . So $\mathfrak{M}'_1 \subset \mathfrak{U}_1$ is the disjoint union of $(\tilde{f}_{1,0})^{-1}(\phi^{-1}(2y_k + x_1 + \dots + x_{n-2}))$, $1 \leq k \leq m$, with \pm orientations. By the same computations as in the previous paragraph, we obtain $\langle \alpha \rangle_{0, d\beta_n} = 0$.

For the case of $\mathfrak{s}_{C_1, 1}$, the proof is similar to the cases of $\mathfrak{s}_{n, 1}$ and \mathfrak{s}_{C_1, C_2} .

(ii) Let $\tilde{\eta} = x_1 + \dots + x_{n-2}$. By (21), $\mathfrak{s}_{C_1, 2} \sim M_2(C_1) + \tilde{\eta} = \rho^{-1}(2C_1 + \tilde{\eta})$. Thus, we have $\alpha = \text{PD}(\rho^{-1}(2C_1 + \tilde{\eta}))$ where PD stands for the Poincaré dual. So we see from (34) and Lemma 3.2 (ii) that

$$\begin{aligned} \langle \alpha \rangle_{0, d\beta_n} &= \int_{[\overline{\mathfrak{M}}_{0,1}(Y, \beta)]^{\text{vir}}} (ev_1)^* \alpha = \int_{-(\tilde{f}_{1,0})^*(j_2 \circ \phi)^* K_X \cdot (\tilde{f}_{1,0})^* c_{2d-2}(\mathcal{E})} (ev_1)^* \alpha \\ &= - \int_{(\tilde{e}v_1)^*(\rho^* j_2^* K_X) \cdot (\tilde{f}_{1,0})^* c_{2d-2}(\mathcal{E})} (ev_1)^* \alpha \\ &= - \int_{(\tilde{e}v_1)^*(\rho^* j_2^* K_X) \cdot (\tilde{f}_{1,0})^* c_{2d-2}(\mathcal{E})} (\tilde{e}v_1)^* \text{PD}(\rho^{-1}(2C_1 + \tilde{\eta}) \cdot c_1(\mathcal{O}_{B_*}(B_*))) \\ &= - \int_{(\tilde{f}_{1,0})^* c_{2d-2}(\mathcal{E})} (\tilde{e}v_1)^* \text{PD} \left(\rho^{-1} \left((j_2^* K_X) \cdot (2C_1 + \tilde{\eta}) \right) \cdot c_1(\mathcal{O}_{B_*}(B_*)) \right) \\ &= 2(K_X \cdot C_1) \cdot \int_{(\tilde{f}_{1,0})^* c_{2d-2}(\mathcal{E})} (\tilde{e}v_1)^* \text{PD}(\xi) \end{aligned} \tag{41}$$

where $\xi \in \rho^{-1}(2x + \tilde{\eta}) = \rho^{-1}(2x + x_1 + \dots + x_{n-2})$ is a fixed point for some fixed point $x \in C_1$. Also, we have used the isomorphism (32) in the last step.

Let $\mathfrak{M}'_1 \subset \overline{\mathfrak{M}}_{0,1}(X^{[n]}, d\beta_n)$ be the subset consisting of all stable maps $[\mu: (D; p) \rightarrow X^{[n]}]$ with $\mu(p) = \xi$. If $[\mu: (D; p) \rightarrow X^{[n]}] \in \mathfrak{M}'_1$, then $\rho(\mu(D)) = \rho(\mu(p)) = 2x + x_1 + \dots + x_{n-2}$. So $\mu(D) = \rho^{-1}(2x + x_1 + \dots + x_{n-2})$. Thus the restriction of the forgetful map $\tilde{f}_{1,0}$ to \mathfrak{M}'_1 gives a degree- d morphism from \mathfrak{M}'_1 to $\mathfrak{M}'_0 \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \phi^{-1}(2x + x_1 + \dots + x_{n-2})$. Hence, as algebraic cycles, we have $(\tilde{f}_{1,0})_*[\mathfrak{M}'_1] = d[\mathfrak{M}'_0] = d \cdot \phi^*[2x + x_1 + \dots + x_{n-2}]$. By (41), we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} \langle \alpha \rangle_{0,d\beta_2} &= 2(K_X \cdot C_1) \cdot [\mathfrak{M}'_1] \cdot (\tilde{f}_{1,0})^* c_{2d-2}(\mathcal{E}) \\ &= 2(K_X \cdot C_1) \cdot (\tilde{f}_{1,0})_*[\mathfrak{M}'_1] \cdot c_{2d-2}(\mathcal{E}) \\ &= 2d(K_X \cdot C_1) \cdot \phi^*[2x + x_1 + \dots + x_{n-2}] \cdot c_{2d-2}(\mathcal{E}) \\ &= 2d(K_X \cdot C_1) \cdot c_{2d-2}(\mathcal{E}|_{\phi^{-1}(2x+x_1+\dots+x_{n-2})}). \end{aligned} \quad (42)$$

By Remark 3.1, $\mathcal{E}|_{\phi^{-1}(2x+x_1+\dots+x_{n-2})} \cong R^1(f_{1,0})_*(ev_1)^*(\mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}^1}(-1) \oplus \mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}^1}(-1))$ where $f_{1,0}$ and ev_1 denote the forgetful map and the evaluation map from the moduli space $\overline{\mathfrak{M}}_{0,1}(\mathbb{P}^1, d[\mathbb{P}^1])$ to $\overline{\mathfrak{M}}_{0,0}(\mathbb{P}^1, d[\mathbb{P}^1])$ and \mathbb{P}^1 respectively. By the Theorem 9.2.3 in [C-K], $c_{2d-2}(R^1(f_{1,0})_*(ev_1)^*(\mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}^1}(-1) \oplus \mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}^1}(-1))) = 1/d^3$. So we have

$$c_{2d-2}(\mathcal{E}|_{\phi^{-1}(2x+x_1+\dots+x_{n-2})}) = c_{2d-2}(R^1(f_{1,0})_*(ev_1)^*(\mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}^1}(-1) \oplus \mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}^1}(-1))) = 1/d^3.$$

Combining this with (42), we conclude that $\langle \alpha \rangle_{0,d\beta_n} = 2(K_X \cdot C_1)/d^2$. \square

Lemma 3.4. *Let $d \geq 1$. If α is the Poincaré dual of $\mathfrak{s}_{n,2}$ or $\mathfrak{s}_{n,3}$, then $\langle \alpha \rangle_{0,d\beta_n} = 0$.*

Proof. Since similar argument works for $\mathfrak{s}_{n,2}$, we shall only prove the lemma for $\mathfrak{s}_{n,3}$. So assume that α is the Poincaré dual of $\mathfrak{s}_{n,3}$. Let $x_1, \dots, x_{n-2} \in X$ be fixed distinct points on X contained in a small analytic open subset U of X . We may assume that U is independent of the smooth surface X . Let $\mathfrak{U}'_1 \subset \overline{\mathfrak{M}}_{0,1}(X^{[n]}, d\beta_n)$ be the analytic open subset consisting of all stable maps $[\mu: (D; p) \rightarrow X^{[n]}]$ with $\mu(p) \in U^{[n]}$. Since $\mu_*(D) \sim d\beta_n$, we see that $\text{Supp}(\mu(D)) = \text{Supp}(\mu(p))$ for $[\mu: (D; p) \rightarrow X^{[n]}] \in \overline{\mathfrak{M}}_{0,1}(X^{[n]}, d\beta_n)$. So $\mu(D) \subset U^{[n]}$, and \mathfrak{U}'_1 is independent of X .

Next, recall from (19) that $\mathfrak{s}_{n,3}$ is represented by $M_3(x_1) + x_2 + \dots + x_{n-2}$. Let $\mathfrak{M}_1 \subset \overline{\mathfrak{M}}_{0,1}(X^{[n]}, d\beta_n)$ be the closed subset consisting of all stable maps $[\mu: (D; p) \rightarrow X^{[n]}]$ with $\mu(p) \in M_3(x_1) + x_2 + \dots + x_{n-2}$. Then, $\mathfrak{M}_1 \subset \mathfrak{U}'_1$ since $M_3(x_1) + x_2 + \dots + x_{n-2} \subset U^{[n]}$. In addition, since $\text{Supp}(\mu(D)) = \text{Supp}(\mu(p))$, we must have $\mu(D) \subset M_3(x_1) + x_2 + \dots + x_{n-2}$ for every $[\mu: (D; p) \rightarrow X^{[n]}] \in \mathfrak{M}_1$. So \mathfrak{M}_1 is independent of X . Thus the pull-back $ev_1^*(\alpha)$ is also independent of X .

In summary, $\mathfrak{M}_1 \subset \mathfrak{U}'_1$, \mathfrak{U}'_1 is analytic open in $\overline{\mathfrak{M}}_{0,1}(X^{[n]}, d\beta_n)$, and \mathfrak{M}_1 and \mathfrak{U}'_1 are independent of X . It follows from the constructions of the virtual fundamental class (see [LT2, LT3, Ru1]) that the restriction $[\overline{\mathfrak{M}}_{0,1}(X^{[n]}, d\beta_n)]^{\text{vir}}|_{\mathfrak{M}_1}$ is independent of the smooth surface X . So the 1-point Gromov-Witten invariant $\langle \alpha \rangle_{0,d\beta_n}$, which is defined to be $[\overline{\mathfrak{M}}_{0,1}(X^{[n]}, d\beta_n)]^{\text{vir}} \cdot ev_1^*(\alpha)$ with $ev_1^*(\alpha)$ being independent of X , is independent

of X as well. Since all the Gromov-Witten invariants $\langle \alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_k \rangle_{0, \beta}$ with $\beta \neq 0$ for a $K3$ -surface are zero, we conclude that $\langle \alpha \rangle_{0, d\beta_n} = 0$ for $d \geq 1$. \square

Summarizing Lemma 3.3 and Lemma 3.4, we obtain our main result.

Theorem 3.5. *Let X be a simply-connected smooth projective surface. Let $n \geq 2$, $d \geq 1$, and C_1 and C_2 be two smooth real surfaces in X .*

(i) *If α is the Poincaré dual of $\mathfrak{s}_{n,1}$, \mathfrak{s}_{C_1, C_2} , $\mathfrak{s}_{C_1, 1}$, $\mathfrak{s}_{n,2}$ or $\mathfrak{s}_{n,3}$, then $\langle \alpha \rangle_{0, d\beta_n} = 0$.*

(ii) *If α is the Poincaré dual of $\mathfrak{s}_{C_1, 2}$, then $\langle \alpha \rangle_{0, d\beta_n} = 2(K_X \cdot C_1)/d^2$.* \square

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