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The g-orbifold cohomology and crepant resolutions

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Abstract

We consider a Gorenstein orbifold X; locally X is a quotient stack given by [U/G] with U a smooth scheme, G a finite group acting with determinant 1 on the tangent space of the fixed points. There exists a singular space S, the quotient scheme U/G, whose geometric points are the points of X. In some cases (in low dimension for instance), there is a desingularization Y of S of crepant type (zero discrepancy: $K_Y = f^*K_S$). Therefore we have two (crepant) desingolarizations $Y \to S$ and $X \to S$, a schematic one and a stack-theoretic one. The respective cohomology groups are isomorphic in the sense of Chen-Ruan orbifold cohomology. Elana Kalashnikov and I observe that this isomorphism generalizes to a variant of orbifold cohomology, which we call the g-orbifold cohomology. This allows us to explain a series of mirror duality theorems previously proven in a series of papers by a careful exhaustion of cases by Artebani, Boïssière, Bott, Comparin, Lyons, Priddis, and Sarti.

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