T-branes through 3d mirror symmetry

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T-branes are exotic bound states of D-branes, characterized by mutually non-commuting vacuum expectation values for the worldvolume scalars, and the M/F-theory geometry lifting D6/D7-brane configurations is blind to the T-brane data. In this talk I will explain how to make this data manifest by looking at the effect of T-branes on a probe two brane. I will show that, exploiting 3d mirror symmetry, we can understand in detail how the wordvolume brane theory is modified, uncovering a new class of N=2 quiver gauge theories, whose Higgs branches mimic those of membranes at ADE singularities.