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The interplay between symplectic geometry and combinatorics through the study of moment maps and the geometry of toric varieties is a well known and fertile theme in mathematics. Here we will use Witten's non-abelian localization principle in equivariant cohomology for the norm-square of the moment map in the context of toric varieties to motivate new polytope decompositions into cones. Some of these will generalize both the Lawrence-Varchenko and the Brianchon-Gram decompositions. (Received August 04, 2007)