

# Notes on 2023 SCMS Summer School Derived Categories, Kuznetsov components and Bridgeland Stability \*

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## Abstract

We will introduce the derived category, Bridgeland moduli spaces for K3 category, for example the Kuznetsov components of cubic fourfolds, and stability conditions in families.

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# 1 Introduction

First you need to read [1].

## 2 Stability of Coherent Sheaves

Fix  $X$  be a smooth projective variety over  $\mathbb{C}$  and  $\dim X = d$  with ample bundle  $H = \mathcal{O}(1)$ . Our goal is to construct the moduli space of (semi-)stable torsion-free coherent sheaves  $\mathcal{F}$  on  $X$  with fixed topological invariant (such as  $\text{ch}(\mathcal{F})$  or  $\text{rank}(\mathcal{F})$ ,  $c_i(\mathcal{F})$  or Hilbert polynomial  $P_H(\mathcal{F})$ ).

**Example 2.1.** *If we not consider (semi-)stability, we may not have the bounded family. Consider  $\{\mathcal{O}(n) \oplus \mathcal{O}(-n)\}$  on  $\mathbb{P}^1$ , then this can not parametrized by a scheme of finite type.*

**Definition 2.1.** *Fix  $(X, H)$  as above and  $\mathcal{F}$  be a coherent torsion-free sheaf on it.*

- (i) *We define the slope  $\mu_H(\mathcal{F}) := \frac{c_1(\mathcal{F}) \cdot H^{d-1}}{\text{rank}(\mathcal{F})}$ ;*
- (ii) *we call  $\mathcal{F}$  is  $\mu_H$ -(semi)stable if for any  $0 \subset \mathcal{E} \subset \mathcal{F}$  with  $0 < \text{rank } \mathcal{E} < \text{rank } \mathcal{F}$  we have  $\mu_H(\mathcal{E}) < (\leq) \mu_H(\mathcal{F})$ ;*
- (iii) *we consider the Hilbert polynomial  $P(\mathcal{F}, m) = \sum_{i=0}^d \alpha_i(\mathcal{F}) \frac{m^i}{i!}$ , then we have  $\alpha_d(\mathcal{F}) = \text{rank}(\mathcal{F}) \cdot H^d$  and  $\alpha_{d-1}(\mathcal{F}) = \frac{1}{2} \text{rank}(\mathcal{F}) \deg T_X + \deg \mathcal{F}$ . We define the reduced Hilbert polynomial is*

$$p(\mathcal{F}, m) = \frac{P(\mathcal{F}, m)}{\alpha_d(\mathcal{F})} = \frac{m^d}{d!} + \frac{1}{H^d} \left( \frac{1}{2} \deg \mathcal{F} + \mu_H(\mathcal{F}) \right) \frac{m^{d-1}}{(d-1)!} + \text{lower terms}.$$

*We define  $\mathcal{F}$  is (Gieseker-)  $H$ -(semi)stable if  $0 \subsetneq \mathcal{E} \subsetneq \mathcal{F}$ , then  $p(\mathcal{E}, m) < (\leq) p(\mathcal{F}, m)$ .*

**Remark 2.2.** • *Easy to see that  $\mu_H$ -stable  $\Rightarrow H$ -stable  $\Rightarrow H$ -ss  $\Rightarrow \mu_H$ -ss;*

- *if  $\dim X = 1$ , then  $\mu_H$ -(semi)stable iff  $H$ -(semi)stable.*

**Lemma 2.3.** *We have the following (easy but important) statements:*

- (i) *If  $\mathcal{F}, \mathcal{G}$  is  $H$ -ss with  $p(\mathcal{F}) > p(\mathcal{G})$ , then*

$$\text{Hom}(\mathcal{F}, \mathcal{G}) = 0;$$

- (ii) *if  $\mathcal{F}, \mathcal{G}$  is  $H$ -stable with  $p(\mathcal{F}) = p(\mathcal{G})$ , then any  $\phi : \mathcal{F} \rightarrow \mathcal{G}$  either zero or isomorphism.*

*Proof.* Trivial. □

**Definition 2.4.** Fix  $\mathcal{E} \in \text{Coh}_{\text{tf}}(X)$ .

(i) A Harder-Narasimhan filtration (HN filtration) of  $\mathcal{E}$  is

$$0 = \mathcal{E}_0 \subset \mathcal{E}_1 \subset \cdots \subset \mathcal{E}_l = \mathcal{E}$$

such that  $\text{gr}_i^{\text{HN}}(\mathcal{E}) := \mathcal{E}_i / \mathcal{E}_{i-1}$  are  $H$ -ss and  $p(\text{gr}_i^{\text{HN}}(\mathcal{E})) > p(\text{gr}_{i+1}^{\text{HN}}(\mathcal{E}))$  for all  $i$ .  
We define  $p_{\max}(\mathcal{E}) := p(\text{gr}_1^{\text{HN}}(\mathcal{E}))$  and  $p_{\min}(\mathcal{E}) := p(\text{gr}_l^{\text{HN}}(\mathcal{E}))$ ;

(ii) let  $\mathcal{E}$  is  $H$ -ss, a Jordan-Hölder filtration (JH filtration) of  $\mathcal{E}$  is

$$0 = \mathcal{E}_0 \subset \mathcal{E}_1 \subset \cdots \subset \mathcal{E}_l = \mathcal{E}$$

such that  $\text{gr}_i^{\text{JH}}(\mathcal{E}) := \mathcal{E}_i / \mathcal{E}_{i-1}$  are  $H$ -stable and  $p(\text{gr}_i^{\text{JH}}(\mathcal{E})) = p(\text{gr}_j^{\text{JH}}(\mathcal{E}))$  for all  $i, j$ . We define  $\text{gr}^{\text{JH}}(\mathcal{E}) := \bigoplus_{i=1}^l \text{gr}_i^{\text{JH}}(\mathcal{E})$ ;

(iii) if  $\mathcal{E}$  is  $H$ -ss, we call  $\mathcal{E}$  is  $H$ -polystable if  $\text{gr}^{\text{JH}}(\mathcal{E}) = \mathcal{E}$ .

**Theorem 2.5.** Fix  $\mathcal{E} \in \text{Coh}_{\text{tf}}(X)$ .

(i) There exists unique HN filtration of  $\mathcal{E}$ ;

(ii) if  $\mathcal{E}$  is  $H$ -ss, then there exists JH filtration of  $\mathcal{E}$  but may not unique. In this case  $\text{gr}^{\text{JH}}(\mathcal{E})$  is unique.

*Proof.* See [2] Chapter 1. □

**Remark 2.6.** All of these are similar for  $\mu_H$ -(semi)stable except for the uniqueness of  $\text{gr}^{\text{JH}}(\mathcal{E})$ , this is right for up to codimension  $\geq 2$ .

**Theorem 2.7.** Let  $\mathcal{E}_1, \mathcal{E}_2 \in \text{Coh}_{\text{tf}}(X)$  are  $\mu_H$ -ss, then so is  $\mathcal{E}_1 \otimes \mathcal{E}_2 / \text{torsion}$ .

**Theorem 2.8** (Bogomolov Inequality). If  $\dim X = 2$ ,  $\mathcal{E} \in \text{Coh}_{\text{tf}}(X)$  with  $\mu_H$ -ss and  $r = \text{rank}(\mathcal{E})$ , then

$$\Delta(\mathcal{E}) := 2rc_2(\mathcal{E}) - (r-1)c_1^2(\mathcal{E}) \geq 0.$$

*Proof.* Consider the following steps:

- **Step 1.** We can assume  $\mathcal{E}$  is locally free.
- **Step 2.** We can assume  $c_1(\mathcal{E}) = 0$ .
- **Step 3.**
- **Step 4.** Show  $\chi(X, S^n \mathcal{E}) \leq cn^r$ .
- **Step 5.** Finish the proof.

□

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