

# Topics in algebraic geometry

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## Lecture 1 : Hilbert scheme

### Moduli Spaces.

parametrize objects of interest by some sort of geometric spaces

$G(k, n)$   $k$ -dim subspace of  $n$ -space, eg  $\mathbb{C}^n$ .

$\int \int d$

$\downarrow$

$B$

$\longrightarrow$

$M$

"families over all  $B$ "

"maps all  $B \rightarrow M$ "

Yoneda's Lemma.

Any  $X$  is Sch gives contravariant functor  $h_X : \underline{\text{Sch}} \rightarrow \text{Sets}$   
 $B \mapsto \text{Mor}(B, X)$

$$h_X \simeq h_Y \Leftrightarrow X \simeq Y.$$

Restate question:

I tell you the family, You tell me if the moduli space exists (the describe it).

Hilbert schemes: (made up history)

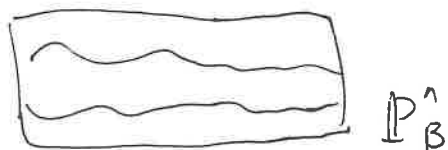
Space of <sup>smooth</sup> subvarieties in projective space.

$\text{Hilb}^{\text{sm}} \subset \text{Hilb}_{\text{proper}}$

eg. Degree  $d$  hypersurfaces in  $\mathbb{P}^n$ .

$$\{ x_0^d + \dots + x_n^d \}$$

$$\mathbb{P}^{\binom{n+d}{d}-1}$$



$\mathbb{P}^n_B$



$B$

↳ fibers degree  $d$  hypersurface



$$x_0^d + x_1^d + \dots + x_n^d = 0$$

$$\Sigma = 0$$

$$\rightarrow B = \text{Spec } k[\xi]/(\xi^2)$$

Ex. If  $B$  reduced,  $X \hookrightarrow \mathbb{P}^n_B$  closed subvar, all fibers are degree  $d$  hypersurface. Flat??

effective Cartier divisor

Theorem. Fix  $n, d$ , the following is a bijection between

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{families of degree } d \\ \text{hypersurfaces in } \mathbb{P}^n \\ \text{over } B \end{array} \right\} \quad \text{and} \quad \left\{ B \rightarrow \mathbb{P}^{\binom{n+d}{d}-1}_B \right\}$$

which plays well with  $B \rightarrow B'$ .

One direction:  $B \rightarrow \mathbb{P}^{\binom{n+d}{d}-1}_B$

$$\mathbb{P}^{\binom{n+d}{d}-1}_B \times \mathbb{P}^n \supset a_{x_0^d} x_0^d + a_{x_0^{d-1}x_1} x_0^{d-1}x_1 + \dots + a_{x_n^d} x_n^d = 0$$



$$B \rightarrow \mathbb{P}^{\binom{n+d}{d}-1}$$

$$X \hookrightarrow \mathbb{P}^n \times B$$

satisfying our definition

$$\pi \downarrow$$

$$B \xrightarrow{2!} \mathbb{P}^{(n+d)-1}_B$$

rank 1 line bundle

rank  $(n+d)-1$

$$0 \rightarrow \pi_* \mathcal{I}_X(d) \rightarrow \pi_* \mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}^n_B}(d) \rightarrow \pi_* \mathcal{O}_X(d) \rightarrow R^1 \pi_* \mathcal{I}_X(d)$$

/

vector bundles of deg d polys

rank  $(n+d)$

Rank

$$0 \rightarrow F' \rightarrow F \rightarrow F'' \rightarrow 0$$

loc. free  
finite rank

$$F', F'' \text{ ltf} \Rightarrow F \text{ ltf}$$

$$F, F'' \text{ ltf} \Rightarrow F' \text{ ltf}$$

$$F', F \text{ ltf} \not\Rightarrow F'' \text{ ltf}$$

$$0 \rightarrow \mathcal{O}(-p) \rightarrow 0 \rightarrow \mathcal{O}|_p \rightarrow 0$$

Map to  $\mathbb{P}^n$  from  $B$ ,  $0 \rightarrow \mathcal{L} \rightarrow \mathcal{O}^{\oplus(n+1)} \rightarrow \mathcal{Q} \rightarrow 0$

$\uparrow$   
rank 1

$\uparrow$   
loc. free

$0 \rightarrow \mathcal{O}(-1) \rightarrow \mathcal{O}^{\oplus(n+1)} \rightarrow \mathcal{Q} \rightarrow 0$

on  $\mathbb{P}^n$

$$0 \rightarrow \mathcal{S} \rightarrow \mathcal{O}^{\oplus n} \rightarrow \mathcal{Q} \rightarrow 0$$

$\uparrow$   
rank k

$\uparrow$   
rank n-k

corresponds to  $B \rightarrow G(k, n)$   
projective

## Cohomology + Base Change Thm.

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 X & \xrightarrow{\psi'} & X \\
 \pi' \downarrow & \lrcorner & \downarrow \pi \\
 Y' & \xrightarrow{\psi} & Y
 \end{array}
 \quad \begin{array}{l}
 \text{coherent sheaf on } X, \text{ flat over } Y \\
 \text{proper} \\
 (\text{loc. Noe})
 \end{array}$$

$$\Phi: \psi^* R^i \pi_* F \rightarrow R^i \pi'_* ((\psi')^* F)$$

Suppose  $\Phi^P$  surjective for  $q \rightarrow Y$

$$\begin{array}{c}
 \uparrow \\
 X
 \end{array}$$

Then

(i)  $\exists \bigcup_{q \in U} U \subset Y$  open so  $\Phi_U^P$  is iso.

(ii)  $\Phi_q^{P-1}$  is surj iff  $(R^P \pi_* F)$  is loc. free near  $P$ .

## Lecture 2 Quot scheme

Where we are: - moduli spaces

- Intuition: category  $\mathcal{G}$  (eg. Sch)

- Contr. functor  $\mathcal{G} \rightarrow \text{Sets}$   
FUNCTOR

eg.  $B \mapsto \{\text{families on } B\}$  moduli functor  
 $\in \mathcal{G}$

$\cong \text{Maps}(-, \mathcal{M})$   
representable functors

## Examples

(i) Grassmannian  $G(k, n)$

$$B \mapsto \left\{ \begin{array}{c} 0 \rightarrow \mathcal{S} \rightarrow \mathcal{O}^{\oplus n} \rightarrow \mathcal{Q} \rightarrow 0 \\ \text{rk. } n-k \quad \text{over } B \quad \text{rk } k \text{ v.b.} \end{array} \right\}$$

$$\begin{array}{c} \text{isom:} \\ 0 \rightarrow \mathcal{S} \rightarrow \mathcal{O}^{\oplus n} \rightarrow \mathcal{Q} \rightarrow 0 \\ \sim \downarrow \quad \parallel \quad \downarrow \sim \\ 0 \rightarrow \mathcal{S}' \rightarrow \mathcal{O}^{\oplus n} \rightarrow \mathcal{Q}' \rightarrow 0 \end{array}$$

$$G(k, n) \xleftrightarrow{\sim} G(n-k, n)$$

(ii) "Stacks"

(iii) exists ??? by hand? connect to other / Artin's criteria  
Hall's thesis

Hilbert FUNCTOR. Fix  $n$

families of subschemes of  $\mathbb{P}^n$

$$B \mapsto \left\{ \begin{array}{c} X \xrightarrow{\text{closed}} \mathbb{P}^n \times B \\ \text{flat} \downarrow \\ B \end{array} \right\} \xrightarrow{\text{isom.}} \left\{ \begin{array}{c} X' \xrightarrow{\text{closed}} \mathbb{P}^n \times B \\ \text{flat} \downarrow \\ B \end{array} \right\}$$

$\sim \text{isom.}$

Need either  $B$  loc. Noetherian  
or  $X \rightarrow B_{\text{loc}}$  finitely presented

Thm (Grothendieck, FGA) Hilbert FUNCTOR is representable.

$$\text{Hilb } \mathbb{P}^n = \coprod \boxed{\text{Hilb}_{p(t)} \mathbb{P}^n} \begin{matrix} \text{projective} \\ \text{Hilbert polynomial} \end{matrix}$$

$$\text{Hilb}_{p(t)}^{\text{sm}} \mathbb{P}^n \xleftarrow{\text{smooth}} \subset \text{Hilb}_{p(t)} \mathbb{P}^n \xleftarrow{\text{open}}$$

Quot FUNCTOR for  $\mathbb{P}^n$   $\nwarrow$  fix coherent sheaf on  $\mathbb{P}^n$

fin. pr.

$$\text{Quot}_{\mathbb{P}^n}^F$$

$$\begin{array}{ccc} p^*F & \rightarrow & \mathcal{O} \\ \downarrow & \text{flat over } B & \downarrow \\ \mathbb{P}^n \times B & \xrightarrow{p} & \mathbb{P}^n \\ \downarrow & & \\ B & & \end{array}$$

$$\boxed{(n=0)} \quad \begin{array}{ccccccc} 0 & \rightarrow & \mathcal{F} & \rightarrow & \mathcal{O}^{\oplus N} & \rightarrow & \mathcal{O} \rightarrow 0 \\ & & \downarrow & & \downarrow & & \downarrow \\ & & \text{rk } N-k & & \mathcal{F} & & \text{rk } k \end{array} \quad \text{no Grassmannian}$$

$$\mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}^n \times B} \rightarrow \mathcal{O}_X \rightarrow 0 \quad \text{flat} \quad \rightsquigarrow \text{Hilbert FUNCTOR}$$

Example

proper

$X$

~~proj.~~ variety  $/ \mathbb{C}$

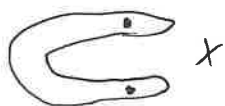
$\mathbb{C}$

$\mathbb{Z}/2$

quotient doesn't exist as a variety (alg. space)

Hilbert scheme of 2 points

$\text{Cont}^2(X)$



Hilbert schemes of  $m$  pts on  $A^n$

$\text{Hilb}_m Y$  Def (FUNCTOR)

$$X \xrightarrow{\text{closed}} Y \times B$$

$\downarrow$  that, loc. fin. pre.  
 $B$

$\text{Hilb}_m(A^n)$  new def.  $\nearrow$  coord.  $x_1, \dots, x_n$

$$X \xrightarrow{\text{closed}} A^n \times B$$

$\pi \downarrow B$   $\swarrow \pi_* \mathcal{O}_X$  locally free of rank  $m$  on  $B$

$$\mathcal{O}_B \rightarrow \pi_* \mathcal{O}_X$$

$\pi_* \mathcal{O}_X$  is an  $\mathcal{O}_B$ -algebra

Special case  $n=2$

$$x_1 = x, x_2 = y.$$

$$n=3. \quad \text{Hilb}_3 \mathbb{A}^2$$

Aside.  $n=1$  or  $2$ , smooth

$n=3$ . lots of components

$n = \dim X$ ,  $X$  smooth

$\pi_* \mathcal{O}_X$  rank 3 vec. bundle

$$1, x, x^2$$

$\text{Hilb}_3^{1,x,x^2} \mathbb{A}^2$  :  $1, x, x^2$  bases for  $\boxed{\pi_* \mathcal{O}_X}$  rank 3 vector bundle.

is

$$\mathbb{A}^6$$

free!

$$\pi_* \mathcal{O}_X = \mathcal{O}_B \oplus x \mathcal{O}_B \oplus x^2 \mathcal{O}_B$$

$$x^3 = a_0 \cdot 1 + a_1 \cdot x + a_2 \cdot x^2$$

$$y \cdot 1 = b_0 \cdot 1 + b_1 \cdot x + b_2 \cdot x^2$$

From subscheme, get  $a_0, a_1, a_2, b_0, b_1, b_2$ .

From  $a_0, a_1, a_2, b_0, b_1, b_2$

$$\text{Spec } \mathbb{C}[x,y] / (x^3 - a_0 - a_1 x - a_2 x^2, y - b_0 - b_1 x - b_2 x^2)$$

We have missed  $\mathbb{C}[x,y] / (x^2, xy, y^2)$  basis  $1, x, y$ .

$$\text{Hilb}_3^{1,x,y} \mathbb{A}^2$$

Algebra

$$\begin{array}{c|ccc} & 1 & x & y \\ \hline 1 & 1 & x & y \\ x & x & & \\ y & y & & \end{array}$$

$$x^2 = a + bx + cy$$

$$y^2 = d + ex + fy$$

$$xy = g + hx + iy$$

$$xy \cdot xy = x^2 y^2$$



$$\text{Hilb}_3^{1, x, y} \mathbb{A}^2 \subset \text{Hilb}_3 \mathbb{A}^2$$

$$\begin{aligned} 1. & x, x^2 \\ 1. & y, y^2 \\ 1. & x, y \end{aligned}$$

$$\mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{A}^2/I} \text{ spanned by } 1, x, y, x^2, xy, y^2, \dots$$

$$\text{Hilb}_m \mathbb{A}^2$$

$$[1 \mid x \mid \dots \mid x^{m-1}]$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ y \\ \vdots \\ y^{m-1} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} x^2 y & \dots \\ y^2 & \dots \end{bmatrix}$$

### Lecture 3

open subFUNCTOR

$$\text{Hilb}_m^{\square} \mathbb{A}^n \subset \text{Hilb}_m \mathbb{A}^n$$

Recall, FUNCTOR; rep FUNCTOR  $\cong$  Schemes

Defn. subFUNCTOR  $F' \rightarrow F$  is a subFUNCTOR if

$$\forall B \in \text{Sch}, \quad F'(B) \xrightarrow{\text{subset}} F(B).$$

Def. representable morphism of functors

$F \rightarrow F'$  a morphism of FUNCTORS is a representable morphism

if  $\forall B \in \text{Sch},$

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \square \xrightarrow{\quad} B = h_B & & \\ \downarrow \quad \quad \downarrow \text{ie. pt of } F'(B) & & \\ F & \rightarrow & F' \end{array}$$

also a scheme

Def (same notation)

$F \rightarrow F'$  is an open subFUNCTOR, if

$A \rightarrow B$  is an open embedding of schemes

closed Idem.

Three statements? Fix  $F$  FUNCTOR.

Suppose  $F_i \rightarrow F$  bunch of open subFUNCTORS + they cover  $F$ ,

then if  $F_i$  are representable, so is  $F$  sheafity

Thm If  $F$  is representable, and  $F' \rightarrow F$  (a representable morphism of FUNCTORS)  
an open subfunctor,

then  $F'$  is representable.

$X \subset \mathbb{A}^n$  closed subscheme,

$\text{Hilb}_m X \subseteq \text{Hilb}_m \mathbb{A}^n$  closed subscheme.

$\text{Hilb}_m \mathbb{P}^n$  cover it with  $\text{Hilb}_m X$ ,  $X \subset \mathbb{P}^n$  affine

locally of finite type

(FACT: projective)

→ val. criteria for properness

$X$  projective,  $X \hookrightarrow \mathbb{P}^n$

$\text{Hilb}_m X \hookrightarrow \text{Hilb}_m \mathbb{P}^n$

# Biggest version.

Suppose  $\begin{array}{c} X \\ \downarrow \\ Y \end{array}$  projective morphism.

$$\text{Hilb}_m(X/Y) \rightarrow Y$$

$$\begin{array}{ccc} X' \rightarrow X & \text{Hilb}_{X'/Y'} \rightarrow \text{Hilb}_{X/Y} \\ \downarrow \uparrow \downarrow & \downarrow \uparrow \downarrow \\ Y' \rightarrow Y & Y' \rightarrow Y \end{array}$$

$$B \rightarrow \text{Hilb}_m(X/Y) \quad (\Rightarrow)$$

$$\begin{array}{ccc} W \xrightarrow{\text{closed}} X \times_Y B \rightarrow X \\ \searrow \text{flat, finitely presented} \downarrow \downarrow \\ B \rightarrow Y \end{array}$$

FUNCTION: Schemes  $/Y \rightarrow \text{Sets}$

$$Y = \bigcup_{\substack{\text{affine} \\ \text{open covers}}} Y_i$$

(SHEAF)

Theorem. Suppose  $\begin{array}{c} F \\ \downarrow \\ X \text{ scheme} \end{array}$  is a FUNCTION, and open cover  $\{X_i \subset X\}_{i \in J}$

and  $F|_{X_i} \left( \begin{array}{ccc} F|_{X_i} \rightarrow X_i \\ \downarrow \uparrow \downarrow \\ F \rightarrow X \end{array} \right)$  is rep., then  $F$  is rep.

## Push pull map.

$$\begin{array}{ccc} X' & \xrightarrow{p'} & X \\ \pi' \downarrow \text{proj.} & & \downarrow \text{proj.} \\ Y & \xrightarrow{p} & Y \end{array}$$

Schemes

$$p^* R^i \pi_* F \rightarrow R^i \pi'_* (p')^* F$$

## Moduli space of hypersurfaces in $\mathbb{P}^n$

Setting notation,  $\mathbb{P}^n, x_0, \dots, x_n$

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \sum_I a_I x^I & \xrightarrow{\{ \sum a_I x^I = 0 \}} & \mathbb{P}^N \times \mathbb{P}^n \\ \downarrow \text{flat} & & \downarrow \text{flat} \\ \text{f. presented} & & \text{f. presented} \\ B & \xrightarrow{\quad} & \mathbb{P}^N, N = \binom{n+d}{1} - 1 \end{array}$$

universal family

## Lecture 4 When is a FUNCTOR a SHEAF?

↓  
contr. functor  
 $(\text{Schemes}) \rightarrow (\text{Sets})$

A FUNCTOR is a SHEAF:

identity  $U_i \xrightarrow{\text{open}} B$  cover,

glueability:  $F(B) \rightarrow \prod F(U_i)$  injective,

$$F(B) \rightarrow \prod F(U_i) \rightrightarrows \prod F(U_i \cap U_j)$$

Exercise. If  $F$  is a SHEAF, and  $\{U_i \rightarrow F\}$  open cover by representable FUNCTORS, then  $F$  is representable.

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{c} \text{rep.} \\ \text{FUNCTOR} \end{array} \right\} \subset \{\text{SHEAF}\} \subset \{\text{FUNCTOR}\}$$

"Sch

Degree  $d$  hypersurfaces in  $\mathbb{P}^n$   $\curvearrowright \mathbb{P}_{\mathbb{Z}}^n, \mathbb{P}_{\mathbb{C}}^n, \mathbb{P}_{\mathbb{B}}^n$

FUNCTOR.

$$\begin{array}{ccc} X & \xrightarrow[\text{sub}]{\text{closed}} & \mathbb{P}_{\mathbb{B}}^n \\ \text{flat} \downarrow \text{f.p.r.} & \searrow \pi & \\ B & & \end{array}$$

for any  $q \in B$ ,  $X_q \rightarrow X$   
 $\downarrow \Gamma \quad \downarrow$   
 $X_q$  is a degree  $d$   $q \rightarrow B$   
 hypersurface.

Thm. represented by  $\mathbb{P}^N$ ,  $N = \binom{n+d}{n} - 1$

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \{\sum a_I X^I = 0\} & \longrightarrow & \mathbb{P}^n \times \mathbb{P}^N \\ \downarrow & \searrow \pi & \nearrow \text{coord. } x_0, \dots, x_n \\ \mathbb{P}^N & & \text{coord. } a_I \end{array}$$

Pf. On  $\mathbb{P}^n \times B \sim$

$$0 \rightarrow I_X^{(d)} \rightarrow \mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}_{\mathbb{B}}^n}^{(d)} \rightarrow \mathcal{O}_X^{(d)} \rightarrow 0$$

flat                  flat                  flat

I want to get  
the map  $B \rightarrow \mathbb{P}^N$

Then

$$0 \rightarrow \pi_* \mathcal{I}_X(d) \rightarrow \pi_* \mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}^n_B}(d) \rightarrow \pi_* \mathcal{O}_X(d) \rightarrow R^1 \pi_* \mathcal{I}_X(d) \rightarrow \dots$$

← locally free

↑ ↗  
all zero.

⌈ If over a field,  $B = \text{Spec } k$ ,

$$0 \rightarrow H^0(\mathbb{P}^n, \mathcal{I}_X(d)) \rightarrow H^0(\mathbb{P}^n, \mathcal{O}(d)) \rightarrow H^0(\mathbb{P}^n, \mathcal{O}_X(d))$$

$$\rightarrow H^1(\mathbb{P}^n, \mathcal{I}_X(d)) \rightarrow H^1(\mathbb{P}^n, \mathcal{O}(d)) \rightarrow H^1(\mathbb{P}^n, \mathcal{O}_X(d)) \rightarrow \dots$$

Grassmannian (geometric version)

$$\mathbb{P}^{n-1} \downarrow \\ B$$

$$\sim \mathbb{P}^{k-1} \text{ in } \mathbb{P}^{n-1}$$

Claim

FUNCTION

$$\mathcal{G}(k-1, n-1) \xrightarrow{\sim} \mathcal{G}(k, n)$$

fibers are all pts are  $\mathbb{P}^{k-1} \hookrightarrow \mathbb{P}^{n-1}$

$$X \xrightarrow{d} \mathbb{P}^{n-1}$$

$$\begin{array}{c} \text{flat} \\ \text{f.p.r.} \end{array} \downarrow \swarrow \\ B$$

$$B \rightarrow \mathcal{G}(k, n) : \text{ over } B, \quad 0 \rightarrow \mathcal{S}_{n+k} \rightarrow \mathcal{O}^{\oplus n} \rightarrow \mathcal{Q}_k \rightarrow 0$$

$$\sim \text{Sym } \mathcal{O}^{\oplus n} \rightarrow \text{Sym } \mathcal{Q}_k \rightarrow 0$$

$$\mathbb{P}^n = \text{Proj Sym } \mathcal{O}^{\oplus n} \xleftarrow{\text{closed}} \text{Proj Sym } \mathcal{O}_k$$

Conversely,  $0 \rightarrow I_X(1) \rightarrow \mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}^n_B}(1) \rightarrow \mathcal{O}_X(1) \rightarrow 0$

Input:

Over a field,  $B = \text{Spec } k$

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc} 0 & \rightarrow & H^0(I(1)) & \rightarrow & H^0(\mathbb{P}^{n-1}, \mathcal{O}(1)) & \xrightarrow{\text{can see } \rightarrow} & H^0(\mathbb{P}^{k-1}, \mathcal{O}(1)) \\ & & \downarrow & & \downarrow & & \downarrow \\ & & H^1(I(1)) & \rightarrow & H^1(\mathbb{P}^{n-1}, \mathcal{O}(1)) & \rightarrow & H^1(\mathbb{P}^{k-1}, \mathcal{O}(1)) \\ & & \downarrow & & \downarrow & & \downarrow \\ & & 0 & & 0 & & 0 \end{array}$$

Question:

$$\begin{array}{ccc} X & \hookrightarrow & X' \\ \text{flat} \downarrow & & \downarrow \text{flat} \\ \text{f.p.r.} & & \text{f.p.r.} \\ & B & \end{array}$$

is o. over  $B^{\text{red}}$ , show  $X = X'$ .

(Unmotivated) The Flattening Stratification (pt. later)

Situation

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \mathbb{P}^n_B & \nearrow F \text{ coherent} & \\ \downarrow & (\text{f.p.r.??}) & \\ B & & \end{array}$$

Motivation

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \mathbb{P}^n_{B'} & \nearrow F \text{ flat} & \\ \downarrow & & \\ B' & & \end{array}$$

Which  $B$ -schemes "flatten"  $F$ ?

Thm  $\exists$  "minimal"  $B$ -scheme.  $\text{Fl}_F \xrightarrow{\text{obv}} B$ , flattening  $F$ .

The cat. of  $B$ -schemes flattening  $F$  has a final object.

Better.

Thm (cont'd). In flat,  $\text{Fl}_F = \coprod B_i$ ,  $B_i \rightarrow B$  are locally closed embeddings,

where these form a stratification,

indexed by Hilbert polynomial.

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Fl}_F &= \text{Fl}_{F, p(m)}, \quad P_F(m) = \chi(\mathbb{P}^n, F(m)) \\ &= \sum_i (-1)^i h^i(\mathbb{P}^n, F(m)) \end{aligned}$$

Ordering in hilb. poly.  $p > q$  if  $p(m) > q(m)$  for  $m \gg 0$

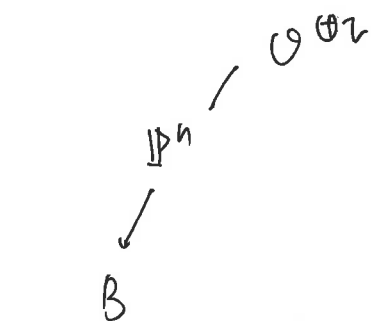
Hilb FUNCTOR of  $\mathbb{P}^n$

$$\begin{array}{ccc} X & \xhookrightarrow{\text{cl}} & \mathbb{P}^n \\ \downarrow \text{flat f.p.} & & \\ B & & \end{array}$$

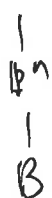
Thm Representable.  $\Sigma x. \text{Hilb } \mathbb{P}^n = \coprod \underbrace{\text{Hilb}_{p(m)} \mathbb{P}^n}_{\substack{\downarrow \\ \text{representable} \rightarrow \text{projecto.}}}$



Quot FUNCTOR Fix  $n, r$ ,



$$\mathcal{O}^{\oplus r} \rightarrow \mathcal{Q} \rightarrow 0$$



coh. f.pr.

(has Hilb. polynomial)

$$\text{Quot } \mathcal{O}^{\oplus r} = \coprod \text{Quot } \mathcal{P}_{r,i}$$

## Lecture 5

Recall Goal: show two FUNCTORS are representable.

Hilb Fix  $n \in \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0}$ ,  $p(t) \in \mathbb{Q}[t]$ ,  $\text{Hilb}_{p(t)}(\mathbb{P}^n)$

$$\text{Hilb}_{p(t)}(\mathbb{P}^n): \quad \begin{array}{ccc} X & \hookrightarrow & \mathbb{P}_B^n = \mathbb{P}^n \times B \\ \text{flat} & & \\ \text{f.pr.} & \downarrow & \\ & B & \end{array}$$

For every pt  $p \in B$ ,  $X_p$  has Hilb. poly.  $p(t)$ .

Quot Fix  $n \in \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0}$ ,  $p(t) \in \mathbb{Q}[t]$ ,  $r \in \mathbb{Z}_{>0}$

$$\begin{array}{ccccc} \mathcal{F} & \xrightarrow{+t} & \mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}_B^n}^{\oplus r} & \twoheadrightarrow & \mathcal{G} \rightarrow 0 \\ & & \downarrow & & \downarrow \\ & & B & & B \end{array}$$

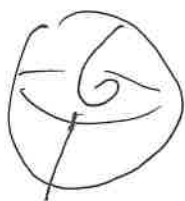
$\mathcal{G}$  has Hilb. poly.  $p(t)$ , flat, coherent/B

hyper surface : write it down

Grassmannian :  $G(k-1, n-1) = G(k, n)$

Hilb pts :

Example . twisted cubic in  $\mathbb{P}^3$   
 $w, x, y, z$



$$\text{rk} \begin{bmatrix} w & x & y \\ x & y & z \end{bmatrix} = 1$$

$$wy - x^2 = wz - xy = xz - y^2 = 0$$

$$p(t) = 3t+1 \uparrow \text{Hilb}_{3t+1} \mathbb{P}^3$$

maybe : choose 3 quadrics ,  $G(3, 10)$  <sup>space of quadrics</sup>

$$\mathbb{P}^3_{3t+1} G(3, 10)$$

I	$\sum_2$
3 quadric equations	10 quadrics

$$7 = p(2) = \chi(X, \mathcal{O}(2))$$

$$= h^0(X, \mathcal{O}(2)) - \underbrace{h^1(X, \mathcal{O}(2))}_{=0}$$

Let's make this work. Fix  $n, p(t), r$ . Pick  $d_0 \gg 0$  to make this work.

Goal :

$$G(p(d_0), \dim S_{d_0}) \quad \text{i.e.} \quad \binom{d_0+n}{n} - p(d_0) \text{ eqns}$$

$(d_0+n)$

$$\bigoplus_{i=0}^{(d+n)-p(d_0)} \mathcal{O}(-d_0) \xrightarrow{\alpha} \mathcal{O}^{\oplus r} \rightarrow \text{coker } \alpha \rightarrow 0$$

$$\downarrow$$

$$\mathbb{P}^n \times G(p(d_0), s_{d_0})$$

$$\downarrow$$

$$G(p(d_0), \dim S_{d_0})$$

$$\begin{array}{ccc} X \hookrightarrow \mathbb{P}^n_B & \begin{array}{l} 0 \rightarrow I_X \rightarrow 0 \rightarrow \mathcal{O}_X \rightarrow 0 \\ 0 \rightarrow I_X(d) \rightarrow \mathcal{O}(d) \rightarrow \mathcal{O}_X(d) \rightarrow 0 \end{array} \\ \text{flat} \searrow \pi \downarrow & & \\ \text{f.p.r.} & B & \end{array}$$

$$0 \rightarrow \pi_* I_X(d) \rightarrow \pi_* \mathcal{O}(d) \rightarrow \pi_* \mathcal{O}_X(d)$$

$$\rightarrow R^1 \pi_* I_X(d) \rightarrow \dots$$

Ion. As  $d \gg 0$ , for any  $k$  field, any  $X$  w/ this Hilb. poly.,

$$h^{>0}(\sim) = 0$$

Also for any such  $X$  (w/ this  $p(t), n, r$ ),

$$I_{d'} \otimes S_1 \rightarrow I_{d'+1} \text{ is surjective } d' \geq d$$

Whole argument: . —

## Castelnuovo - Mumford Regularity

Situation

/ field  $K$

$\mathcal{O}(1)$   $\searrow$   $\swarrow$   $\mathcal{F}$  coherent sheaf  
 $X$  proj. scheme /  $K$

Def. We say  $\mathcal{F}$  is  $m$ -regular, if  $H^i(X, \mathcal{F}(m-i)) = 0$  for all  $i > 0$ .

Thm. If  $\mathcal{F}$  is  $m$ -regular, then  $\mathcal{F}(m')$  is generated by global sections and has no higher cohomology for  $m' \geq m$ .

Proof. if

$\mathcal{O}^{\oplus r} \rightarrow \mathcal{F}$  and  $\mathcal{F}$  has h.k.b. poly.  $p(t)$

$\mathbb{P}^n$

Then  $\mathcal{F}$  is  $m$ -regular,

where  $m = m(r, p(t), n)$ .

Observe.  $\mathcal{F}$   $m$ -regular  $\Leftrightarrow \mathcal{F}(1)$  is  $(m-1)$ -regular.

Observe. Suppose  $0 \rightarrow \mathcal{F}' \rightarrow \mathcal{F} \rightarrow \mathcal{F}'' \rightarrow 0$  on  $\mathbb{P}^n$

- $\mathcal{F}'$  and  $\mathcal{F}''$   $m$ -regular  $\Rightarrow \mathcal{F}$   $m$ -regular
- $\mathcal{F}'$   $(m+1)$ -regular,  $\mathcal{F}$   $m$ -regular  $\Rightarrow \mathcal{F}''$   $m$ -regular
- $\mathcal{F}''$   $(m-1)$ -regular,  $\mathcal{F}$   $m$ -regular  $\Rightarrow \mathcal{F}'$   $m$ -regular.

Prop.  $\mathcal{F}$   $m$ -regular  $\Rightarrow \mathcal{F}$  is  $(m+1)$ -regular.

Pf. Induction on  $n$ ,  $n=0$ ,  $H^i(\mathbb{P}^n, \text{any}) = 0$ ,  $i > 0$

(can assume  $k = \bar{k}$ )

Let's prove it for  $n > 0$  (assuming "smaller")

Choose hyperplane  $H \subset \mathbb{P}^n$ , miss associated pts of  $F$

$$0 \rightarrow \mathcal{O}(-1) \rightarrow \mathcal{O} \rightarrow \mathcal{O}_H \rightarrow 0$$

$$\otimes F, \quad 0 \rightarrow F(-1) \rightarrow F \rightarrow F|_H \rightarrow 0.$$

$$F|_H \text{ } m\text{-regular} \Rightarrow F|_H \text{ } (m+1)\text{-regular}$$

$$\Rightarrow F \text{ } (m+1)\text{-regular} \quad (F(-1) \text{ } (m+1)\text{-reg.})$$

Prop. Suppose  $F$  on  $\mathbb{P}^n$  is  $m$ -regular, for  $r \geq m$ ,

$$H^0(\mathcal{O}(1)) \otimes H^0(F(r)) \rightarrow H^0(F(r+1)) \text{ is surjective.}$$

Pf. Assume  $k = \bar{k}$ . Induction on  $n$ .  $n=0$ ,  $\checkmark$

Inductive Step:

## Lecture 6 Castelnuovo - Mumford regularity.

Situation.  $\mathbb{P}^n_{/k}$   $F$  coherent

$$F \text{ is } m\text{-regular} \Leftrightarrow H^i(\mathbb{P}^n, F(m-i)) = 0, \quad i > 0$$

$F$  is  $m$ -regular  $\Leftrightarrow F(1)$  is  $(m-1)$ -regular.

$$\Rightarrow F \text{ is } (m+1)\text{-regular.}$$

$$0 \rightarrow F' \rightarrow F \rightarrow F'' \rightarrow 0 \text{ SES}$$

$$\begin{array}{ccc} m & \therefore m & m \\ (m+1) & m & \therefore m \\ \therefore m & m & (m-1) \end{array}$$

• If  $H$  hyperplane missing assoc. pts of  $F$ , then  $m$ -regular  $\Rightarrow F|_H$   $m$ -regular.

Prop. Suppose  $F$  on  $\mathbb{P}^n$  is  $m$ -regular, then

$\mu: H^0(\mathcal{O}(1)) \otimes H^0(F(r)) \rightarrow H^0(F(r+1))$  is surjective for  $r \geq m$ .

Pf.  $k = \bar{k}$ . By induction on  $n$ .  $n=0$   $\checkmark$ .

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 & \downarrow & \\
 & H^0(F(r)) & \\
 & \downarrow \times \ell & \\
 H^0(\mathcal{O}(1)) \otimes H^0(F(r)) & \xrightarrow{\mu_r} & H^0(F(r+1)) \\
 \downarrow & & \downarrow \\
 H^0(\mathbb{P}^{n-1}, \mathcal{O}(1)) \otimes H^0(F|_H(r)) & \rightarrow & H^0(F|_H(r+1)) \\
 & & \downarrow \\
 & & H^1(F(r)) = 0
 \end{array}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{im } \mu + \bigwedge^{\ell} H^0(F(r)) &= H^0(F(r+1)) \\
 \Rightarrow \text{im } \mu &= H^0(F(r+1)).
 \end{aligned}$$

Prop. Suppose  $F$   $m$ -regular, then  $F(m)$  is generated by global sections.

Side claim.  $\alpha: \mathcal{G} \rightarrow \mathcal{H}$  coh. sheaves on  $\mathbb{P}^n$  is

surjective if  $H^0(\mathcal{G}(s)) \rightarrow H^0(\mathcal{H}(s))$  is surjective for  $s \gg 0$ .

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}^n}^{\oplus N} \twoheadrightarrow F(m) \\ \mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}^n}^{\oplus N}(-m) \twoheadrightarrow F \end{array} \right.$$

Better.  $G \rightarrow \mathcal{H} \rightarrow \mathcal{I}$  coh. on  $\mathbb{P}_k^n$

exact iff  $H^0(G(s)) \rightarrow H^0(\mathcal{H}(s)) \rightarrow H^0(\mathcal{I}(s))$  exact  
for  $s \gg 0$ .

$\Rightarrow$ : Some vanishing.

$\Leftarrow$ : ...

Goal:  $H^0(F(m)) \otimes \mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}^n} \rightarrow F(m)$  is surjective.

$H^0(H^0(F(m)) \otimes \mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}^n}(s)) \rightarrow H^0(F(m+s))$  is surjective for  $s \gg 0$ .

$H^0(F(m)) \otimes H^0(\mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}^n}(s)) \rightarrow H^0(F(m+s))$

Theorem. If  $F$  is  $m$ -regular, then for  $r \geq m$ ,  $F(r)$  is gen. by global sections, has no higher coh.

$$H^0(\mathcal{O}(r-m)) \otimes H^0(F(m)) \rightarrow H^0(F(r))$$

Theorem. Fix  $K$  field,  $r \in \mathbb{Z}^{\geq 0}$ ,  $n \in \mathbb{Z}^{\geq 0}$ ,  $p(t) \in \mathbb{Q}[t]$ , then there is

Some  $m = m(n, r, p(t))$  s.t. for any coh. sheaf  $F \hookrightarrow \mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}^n}^{\oplus r}$

w/ Hilb. poly.  $p(t)$ ,  $F$  is  $m$ -regular

Pf  $K = \bar{K}$ , induction on  $n$ .  $n=0$  ✓

$$0 \rightarrow F \rightarrow \mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}^n}^{\oplus r} \rightarrow G \rightarrow 0$$

Inductive step: pick  $H$  missing ass. pts of  $F$  and  $G$ .

$$0 \rightarrow F|_H \rightarrow \mathcal{O}_H \rightarrow G|_H \rightarrow 0$$

Hilb. poly. of  $F|_H$

$$= p(t) - p(t-1)$$

$$0 \rightarrow F(-1)^{(t)} \rightarrow F^{(t)} \rightarrow F|_H^{(t)} \rightarrow 0$$

$F|_H$  is  $m'$ -regular for  $m'(n, r, p(t))$

$$H^{p-1}(F|_H(t)) \rightarrow H^p(F(t-1)) \rightarrow H^p(F(t)) \rightarrow H^p(F(t)|_H)$$

If  $t \geq m'$ ,  $p \geq 2$ , first term & last term = 0

$$H^p(F(t-1)) \cong H^p(F(t))$$

Take  $t \rightarrow \infty$ ,  $H^p(F(t)) = 0$ , so  $H^p(F(t)) = 0$  for  $t \geq m'-1$ ,  $p \geq 2$ .

$t \geq m'-1$

$$H^0(F(t)) \xrightarrow{\alpha_t} H^0(F|_H(t)) \rightarrow H^1(F(t-1)) \rightarrow H^1(F(t)) \rightarrow H^1(F|_H(t))$$

Is  $\alpha_t$  surjective? Want it to be!

$$H^0(\alpha(1)) \otimes H^0(F(t-1)) \xrightarrow{\alpha_{t-1}} H^0(F|_H(t-1))$$

$$\downarrow \quad \downarrow$$

$$H^0(F(t)) \xrightarrow{\alpha_t} H^0(F|_H(t))$$

so  $\Rightarrow$

$[\alpha_{t-1} \text{ surj.} \Rightarrow \alpha_t \text{ surj.}]$

$$H^1(F(t-1)) = H^1(F(t))$$

for some  $t$

$\Rightarrow$  equal for all large  $t$ .

But eventually  $0 \Rightarrow$  all 0.



I will bound  $\frac{h^1(F(M))}{M}$ ,  $m = m' +$  this bound

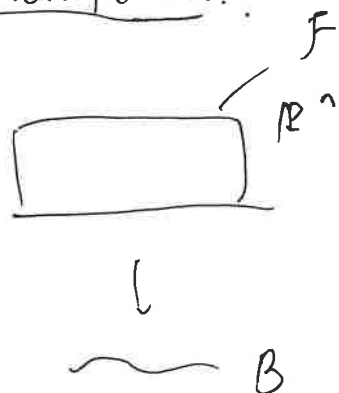
$$\chi(F(M)) = p(M) = h^0(F(M)) - h^1(F(M)) + h^2(F(M)) - \dots$$

$$h^1(F(M)) = h^0(F(M)) - p(M)$$

$$0 \rightarrow F(M) \rightarrow 0^{\oplus r}(M)$$

$$\Rightarrow h^0(F(M)) \leq h^0(0^{\oplus r}(M)) = r \binom{m+n}{n}$$

Flattening stratification.



f.p.r.  $\mathcal{O}_{\text{wh}}$ ,  $s \gg 0$ .

$$\pi_* F(s)$$

$A$  ring (noetherian?)  $M$  f.p.r.  $A$ -module,

$$\frac{(\quad)}{\text{Spec } A}$$

Lecture 7. Today: More criteria for cohomology commuting w/ base change. Toward the flattening stratification.

Reminder: Goal.

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 & \swarrow \mathcal{F} \text{ t.pr. } / A & \\
 X \subset \mathbb{P}^n & & \\
 \downarrow & & \\
 S \stackrel{\text{settles}}{=} \text{Spec } A. & & \text{"fl. stratification"}
 \end{array}$$

First today:  $n=0$ .

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 \mathcal{F} & & \tilde{M} \\
 / \mathbb{P}_S^0 & & \\
 S' = \text{Spec } A & &
 \end{array}$$

Plan (local)

- top stratification
- scheme structure.
- universal property.

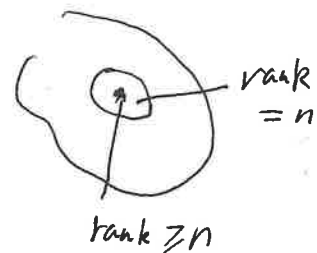
Step 1. Define  $S_n \subset S$  subset. where  $\mathcal{F}$  has rank  $n$

$$= \{ p \in S : \mathcal{F}|_p = \mathcal{O}_p^{\oplus n} \}.$$

Claim.  $S = \bigcup_{n \geq 0} S_n$ .

$$\hookrightarrow \overline{S}_n \subset \bigcup_{i \geq n} S_i \quad (\text{rank only jumps up})$$

Trans. rank is upper semicont.



Pt.

$$A^{\oplus l} \xrightarrow{[\phi]} A^{\oplus m} \rightarrow M \rightarrow 0.$$

at  $p$  rank  $n$ .

rank  $\geq n$

All  $(n'+1)$  minors of  $\phi = 0$

closed condition

$$\Leftrightarrow \text{rank } \phi \leq n'$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \text{rank } M \geq m - n'$$

Scheme structure: Pick  $n' \times n'$  minor,  $n' + n = m$ .

localize @  $\det(\text{Minor})$

$$\phi \left[ \begin{array}{c} \boxed{n' \times n'} \\ \vdots \end{array} \right] \begin{array}{c} m \\ l \end{array}$$

↑  
entries in  $A$ .

$$B \leftarrow A$$

$$\text{Spec } B \rightarrow \text{Spec } A$$

Det.  $I_{st} =$  ideal gen. by  $(n'+1) \times (n'+1)$  minors.

↑  
Stepan

$$B \leftarrow A, \quad \text{Spec } B \xrightarrow{\pi} \text{Spec } A$$

Then  $M \otimes_A B$ , i.e.  $\pi^* \tilde{M}$  is free if  $B \leftarrow A$  locally free, factors through

$$B \leftarrow A/I_{st} \leftarrow A.$$

Another proof.

$$A^{\oplus n} \rightarrow M$$

$$A^{\oplus n} \rightarrow M \rightarrow K \rightarrow 0.$$

$$\otimes k(p): k(p)^{\oplus n} \cong M \otimes k(p) \rightarrow K \otimes k(p) \rightarrow 0$$

$$= 0.$$

$$\text{Nakayama} \\ K_p = 0$$

$$\text{Shrink } \text{Spec } A, \quad A^{\oplus n} \rightarrow M \rightarrow 0$$

$$A^{\oplus n} \xrightarrow{[\phi]}, A^{\oplus n} \rightarrow M \rightarrow 0$$

For which  $B \leftarrow A$ , is  $M \otimes_A B$  free?

$$B^{\oplus n} \xrightarrow{[-]} B^{\oplus n} \rightarrow M \otimes_A B \rightarrow 0$$

Ans: iff entries in  $[\phi_B]$

M.f.p.v. / A. M is loc. free iff M flat.

$$\text{Given } 0 \rightarrow N \rightarrow A^{\oplus n} \xrightarrow{[\ ]} A^{\oplus n} \rightarrow 0, \text{ want } N=0?$$

More: when cohomology commutes w/ base change

$\tilde{M}$   
|  
 $\text{Spec } A$   
 $\circ p$   
choose bases  
for  $F/p$ .  
lift elements of  $F_p$

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 \mathbb{P}_T^n & \xrightarrow{\mu} & \mathbb{P}_S^n \\
 \beta \downarrow & & \downarrow \alpha \\
 T & \xrightarrow{p} & S = \text{Spec } A \\
 \text{"} & & \\
 \text{Spec } B & & 
 \end{array}$$

$$\phi_i := \rho^* R^i \alpha_* F \rightarrow R^i \beta_* (\mu^* F)$$

Today (i) All flat base change  $P$

(ii)  $F$  flat, yes if twist enough  
(any base change)

(iii) No flatness, one base change, twist enough

(b) CBC Thm

Thm.  $p$  flat  $\Rightarrow \phi_i$  is iso.

Pr. To compute  $R^i \alpha_* F = H^i(\alpha_* F)$

We check  $\text{cpx } \mathcal{C}_A$

$$0 \rightarrow \bigwedge^i F(u_i) \rightarrow \bigwedge^i F(u_{ij}) \rightarrow \dots \rightarrow 0$$

$$\text{LHS} = H^i(\mathcal{C}_A \otimes_A B) \rightarrow \text{RHS } H^i(\mathcal{C}_B) = H^i(\mathcal{C}_A \otimes_A B), \quad H^* \text{ commutes w/ } - \otimes_A B \text{ exact functor}$$

Thm.  $F$  flat, choose any  $m \gg 0$  so that  $H^i(\mathbb{P}_A^n, F(m)) = 0, i > 0$

$$\text{i.e. } R^i \alpha_* (F(m)) = 0. \quad (\text{Serre vanishing})$$

Then  $\phi_i$  is an iso. for  $F(m)$  for all  $i$

$$\begin{array}{l}
 0 \rightarrow H^0(F(m)) \rightarrow \pi F(m)(u_i) \rightarrow \pi F(m)(u_{ij}) \rightarrow \dots \rightarrow 0 \\
 \therefore \text{flat} \quad \quad \quad \underbrace{\begin{array}{c} \therefore \text{flat} \\ 0 \rightarrow F' \rightarrow \dots \rightarrow F \rightarrow 0 \end{array}}_{\text{flat}} \quad \quad \quad \boxed{\begin{array}{l} \text{exact} \\ \text{Aside: } 0 \rightarrow F' \rightarrow F \rightarrow F'' \rightarrow 0 \\ \therefore \text{flat flat flat} \end{array}}
 \end{array}$$

[BONUS]  $\pi^* F(m)$  is flat, is a finite rank vector bundle

$$C_B^\vee = C_A^\vee \otimes B \quad \text{Let's apply } \otimes_A B$$

$$\therefore 0 \rightarrow H^0(F(m) \otimes_A B) \rightarrow C_B^\vee \rightarrow 0$$

is exact

Aside:

$$0 \rightarrow F \rightarrow \dots \rightarrow 0$$

$\nearrow$  flat

$- \otimes_A B$  preserves exactness

$$\therefore H^{i>0}(F(m) \otimes B) = 0, \quad H^0(F(m) \otimes B) = H^0(F(m)) \otimes_A B$$

## Lecture 8

Goal: Flattening stratification.

$$\begin{array}{ccc} F_Y \backslash & & \backslash F \\ \mathbb{P}_Y^n & \longrightarrow & \mathbb{P}_X^n \\ \downarrow & & \downarrow \\ Y & \longrightarrow & X = \coprod_{\text{set}} X_{p(t)} \\ & & \text{loc. closed} \\ & & \text{subscheme} \end{array}$$

set-theoretic:

$$X_{q(t)} \subset^{\text{open}} \coprod_{p(t) \geq q(t)} X_{p(t)}$$

$\uparrow$   
an poly,

Recall: Cohomology commutes w/ base change.

$$\begin{array}{ccc} F_X \backslash & & \backslash F \\ \mathbb{P}_X^n & \xrightarrow{p'} & \mathbb{P}_A^n \\ \pi' \downarrow & & \downarrow \pi \\ X & \xrightarrow{p} & \text{Spec } A \end{array}$$

(i) Yes. All flat  $X \rightarrow \text{Spec } A$ .

(ii) If  $F$  flat, then  $F(m)$ ,  $m \gg 0$ , & base change.

(ii') Given  $X \rightarrow \text{Spec } A$ ,  $F(m)$ ,  $m \gg 0$ ,  
( $X$  quasi-cpt)  
noetherian

Pf for (iii). Do it for  $X = \text{Spec } B$ ,  $B$  noetherian.

$$m \gg 0, \quad R^{i>0} \pi_* F(m) = 0, \quad \text{i.e. } H^{>0}(\mathbb{P}_A^n, F(m)) = 0 \quad (\text{Serre vanishing})$$

$$R^{i>0} \pi'_* (\rho'^* F(m)) = 0, \quad \text{i.e. } H^{>0}(\mathbb{P}_B^n, (\rho')^* F(m)) = 0$$

$$\text{For } i > 0, m \gg 0, \quad \rho'^* R^i \pi_* F(m) \xrightarrow{\sim} (R^i \pi'_*) (\rho')^* F(m) \text{ is iso!}$$

$i=0$ .  $a \gg 0$ ,  $F(a)$  is generated by global sections.

$$\begin{array}{c} \mathcal{O} \oplus^{\text{finite}} \longrightarrow F(a) \longrightarrow 0 \\ \downarrow \text{def} \\ 0 \longrightarrow \mathcal{G} \longrightarrow \mathcal{O} \oplus^{\text{finite}}(-a) \longrightarrow F \longrightarrow 0 \\ \text{coherent} \end{array}$$

$$\text{Same game for } \mathcal{G}. \quad \bigoplus_{\mathbb{P}_B^n}^{\text{finite}} \mathcal{O}(-b) \longrightarrow \bigoplus_{\mathbb{P}_B^n}^{\text{finite}} \mathcal{O}(-a) \longrightarrow \mathcal{F}_B \longrightarrow 0.$$

$$0 \longrightarrow \mathcal{G}(m) \longrightarrow \bigoplus \mathcal{O}(m-a) \longrightarrow F(m) \longrightarrow 0 \quad \text{on } \mathbb{P}_A^n$$

$$0 \longrightarrow \pi_* \mathcal{G}(m) \longrightarrow \bigoplus \pi_* \mathcal{O}(m-a) \longrightarrow \pi_* F(m) \longrightarrow R^1 \pi_* \mathcal{G}(m) \\ \parallel \quad \text{on } \text{Spec } A$$

$\rho^*$ :

$$\rho^* \pi_* \mathcal{G}(m) \longrightarrow \bigoplus \rho^* \pi_* \mathcal{O}(m-a) \longrightarrow \rho^* \pi_* F(m) \longrightarrow 0$$

$$\pi_* \bigoplus \mathcal{O}(m-b) \twoheadrightarrow \pi_* \mathcal{G}(m), \quad m \gg 0.$$

$$\bigoplus \rho^* \pi_* \mathcal{O}(m-b) \longrightarrow \bigoplus \rho^* \pi_* \mathcal{O}(m-a) \longrightarrow \rho^* \pi_* F(m) \longrightarrow 0 \quad \text{for } m \gg 0.$$

Exercise. Suppose  $G \xrightarrow{\text{coherent}} \mathcal{H} \rightarrow F \rightarrow 0$  is exact on  $\mathbb{P}_B^n$

then for  $m \gg 0$ ,  $\pi'_* G(m) \rightarrow \pi'_* \mathcal{H}(m) \rightarrow \pi'_* F(m) \rightarrow 0$

More generally, given  $G' \rightarrow G \rightarrow G''$  exact on  $\mathbb{P}_B^n$ , coherent.

Show  $\pi_* G'(m) \rightarrow \pi_* G(m) \rightarrow \pi_* G''(m)$  is exact for  $m \gg 0$

Pt of flattening stratification:

step 1.

Blackbox thm. generic flatness.

$$\begin{array}{c} F \\ | \\ \mathbb{P}_A^n \end{array}$$

A noeth. + integral.

(reduced is enough)

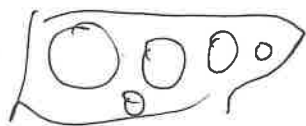
$\exists$  dense open of  $\text{Spec } A$  over which it is flat.

step 2. (toward the topological "stratification")

branch at <sup>affine</sup> locally closed subsets where Hilb. pol. is constant.  
 $\uparrow$   
 finitely many



Noetherian  
X



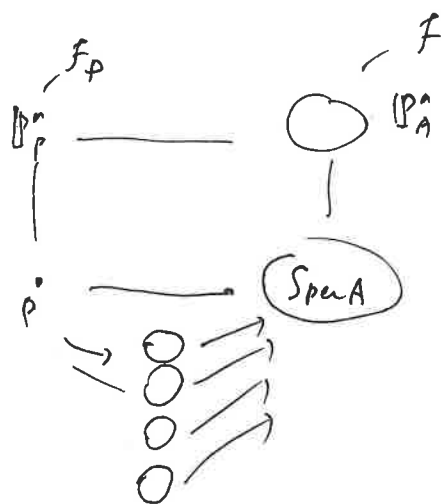
generic flatness +  
Noetherian induction

Conclusion: A possible Hilb. poly. is finite.



Step 3.  $\exists m \gg 0$  for which coh. + base change commutes for every pt of

$\text{Spec } A$ .



↑ affine open cover (finite) s.t.  $F|_{U_i}$  flat over  $U_i$

Step 4. <sup>candidate</sup> The top. stratification,

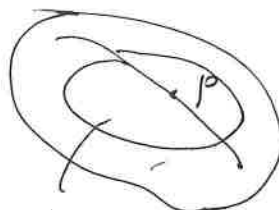
$$\text{rank}(\pi_* F(10^6)) \text{ at } p$$

$$= \text{hil. pd.}(10^6) \text{ at } p.$$

Next. Let's get scheme structure on these strata.

— Later: satisfies universal property.

looking for a closed subscheme structure.



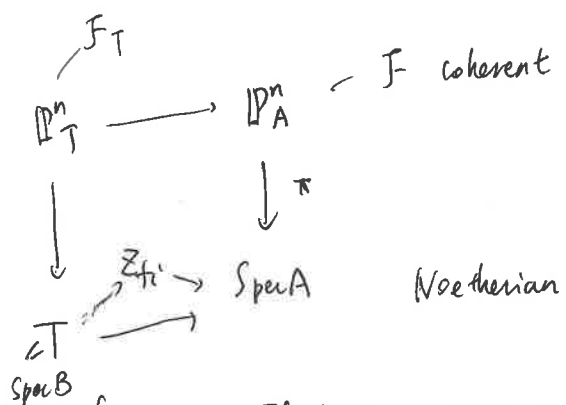
replace  $A$  by  $A_f$

$M \gg 0$ , Flattening str. for this  $\pi_* F(M)$   
 $\pi_* F(M+1), \pi_* F(M+2)$

$\pi_* F(M+i)$  is locally free of rank  $p(M+i)$ ,  $\text{Spec } A/I_{M+i}$

$$I_M + I_{M+1} + I_{M+2} + \dots = I.$$

## Lecture 9   Flattening stratification



Goal. Flattening "stratification".

Know. Finitely many Hieb. polys appearing  $f_1(m) \leq \dots \leq f_s(m)$  "rank  $\pi_* F(m)$ "

$$Z_{F_i} \subset \text{Spec } A, \quad \bigcup_{i \geq i_0} Z_{F_i} \text{ is closed.}$$

Goal. loc. closed subscheme structure on  $Z_{F_i}^{i \geq i_0}$ , satisfying univ. property.

Question. How can I tell if  $F_B = \mathbb{P}_B^n$  is flat.

$$\downarrow \pi$$

$$\text{Spec } B = T$$

$F_B$  is flat iff

Criterion. If for  $m \gg 0$ ,  $R^{i>0} \pi_* F_B(m) = 0$ ,  $\pi_* F_B(m)$  locally free. (loc. vector bundle)

Pf.  $\Gamma_*(F) = \bigoplus_{m \geq m_0} H^0(F(m))$ ,  $\widetilde{F_*(F)} = F$

$\uparrow$  flat.

Pt. Suppose  $F$  flat  $\Rightarrow$  some vanishing.

Each complex for  $F(m)$ ,  $m \geq m_0$ ,  $0 \rightarrow \check{C}_*(F(m)) \rightarrow 0$

Exact:  $0 \rightarrow H^0(F(m)) \rightarrow \check{C}_*(F(m)) \rightarrow 0$   
 $\hat{C}_{\text{flat}}$

Suppose  $\mathbb{P}_B^n \xrightarrow{F_B, p_B} \mathbb{P}_A^n$   
 $\pi_B \downarrow \quad \quad \downarrow \pi$   
 $\text{Spec } B \xrightarrow{p} \text{Spec } A$

$F_B$  is flat over  $B$ , w/ Hrb. poly.  $\frac{1}{t}$ .

then what does this mean for

$\text{Spec } B \rightarrow \text{Spec } A$ ?

$\Rightarrow R^0 \pi_{B*} p_B^* F(m)$  is a v.b. rank  $f(m)$ .

$$R^{>0} \pi_{B*} p_B^* F(m) = 0$$

$\Leftrightarrow p^* \pi_* F(m)$  is a v.b. of rank  $f(m)$  for  $m \gg 0$

$\Leftrightarrow p$  maps  $\text{Spec } B$  into the right flattening stratum for  $\pi_* F(m)$  for  $m \gg 0$ .

$\mathbb{P}_A^n \xrightarrow{F}$   
 $\downarrow$   
 $\text{Spec } A \hookrightarrow \mathbb{Z}_+$   
 set

look at all the flattening strata of

$\pi_* F, \pi_* F(1), \dots, \pi_* F(m), \dots$   
 $I_1 \quad \dots \quad I_m \quad \dots$

Go to the local ring,

$\text{Spec } A_p \xrightarrow{\text{flat pullback}} \text{Spec } A$

## Sequence of ideals:

$$I_1 + I_2 + \dots$$

$$I_2 + \dots$$

$$I_3 + \dots$$

What I am looking for is the ideal that is  $\text{Spec } B \rightarrow \text{Spec } A/I_m$

i.e.  $B \leftarrow A$  for  $m \gg 0$ , sends  $I_m$  to 0 for  $m \gg 0$ .

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New topic, Kontsevich's Thm on rational curves in projective spaces.

(? Graber - Harris - Starr on rational connectedness)

Old question: Curves in  $\mathbb{P}^2$

How many lines ( $d=1$ )

( $g=0$ ) through 2 pts

How many conics through 5 pts? <sup>"general"</sup>

$p_1, \dots, p_5$ .

$\longrightarrow \mathbb{P}^5$  of conics.

$\mathbb{P}^4$  of conics through  $p_1$

$\mathbb{P}^3$  of conics through  $p_1, p_2$

$\mathbb{P}^2$  of conics through  $p_1, p_2, p_3$

How many cubics in  $\mathbb{P}^2$ ,  $g=0$

How many degree  $d$ ,  $g=0$  curves

$\boxed{Nd}$

?

$\mathbb{P}^1$  of conics through  $p_1, p_2, p_3, p_4$

in plane through  $3d-1$  pts?



Where does " $3d-1$ " come from?

Consider  $\mathbb{P}_{u,v}^1 \xrightarrow{\deg d} \mathbb{P}_{x,y,z}^2$   $[f_0(u,v): f_1(u,v): f_2(u,v)]$  have degree  $d$ .

$$3(d+1) = 3d + 3$$

+ base point free

- 1 scalar

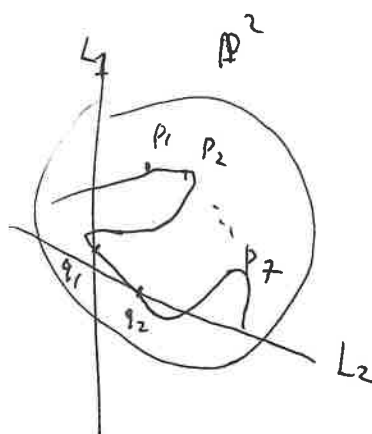
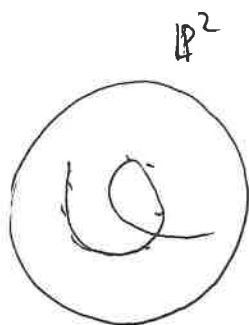
$$\boxed{3d+2}$$

- dim Aut  $\mathbb{P}^2$

$$\boxed{3d-1}$$

$$N_1 = 1, N_2 = 1, N_3 = 12, N_4 = 620, N_5 = ???$$

Question



rat'l curves

$\delta$ -dim'l family

through  $P_1, \dots, P_7$

1-dim'l family.

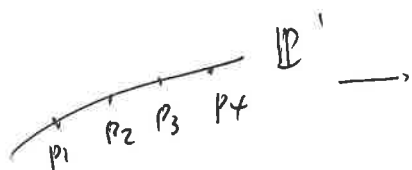
$$M \xrightarrow{\text{Cross ratio}} \mathbb{P}^1$$

$P_1 P_2 q_1 q_2$

What is the degree of this map?

Answer, count preimage of  $\omega \in \mathbb{P}^1$ ,  $\omega \in \mathbb{P}^1$

Cross ratio map:



$\mathbb{P}^1$

$M_{0,4}$

$$z_1, z_2, z_3, z_4 \in \mathbb{C},$$

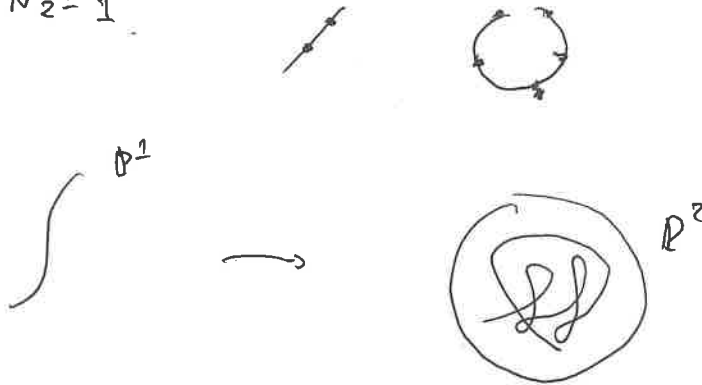
$$\frac{(z_1 - z_2)(z_3 - z_4)}{(z_1 - z_3)(z_2 - z_4)}$$

Lecture 10. Today: Kontsevich's enumeration of rational plane curves

/Q. consider  $\#$  rational curves in  $\mathbb{P}^2$ , degree  $d$  through  $3d-1$  gen.

chosen pts  $p_1, \dots, p_{3d-1}$ . Call it  $N_d$ .

$$N_1 = N_2 = 1$$



moduli space of  $\text{Mor}_d(\mathbb{P}^1, \mathbb{P}^2) / \text{Aut}(\mathbb{P}^1)$

Def.  $M_0(\mathbb{P}^2, d)$  from genus 0 curve to  $\mathbb{P}^2$  "of degree  $d$ ".

Roughly, degree  $d$  plane curves of geometric genus 0.

is it a FUNCTOR? No!!

Want: a (smooth) DM stack / or orbifold

Rmk.  $\text{Mor}_d(\mathbb{P}^1, \mathbb{P}^2)$  is a variety.

Exercise: Prove that what I wrote down represents that FUNCTOR.

Rmk. More generally, given projective  $X, Y/\mathbb{C}$ ,

$\text{Mor}(X, Y)$  is representable [Thm (Grothendieck)]

$$\text{Mor}(X, Y) \subset \text{Hilb}(X \times Y) \\ \hookrightarrow \text{projective.}$$

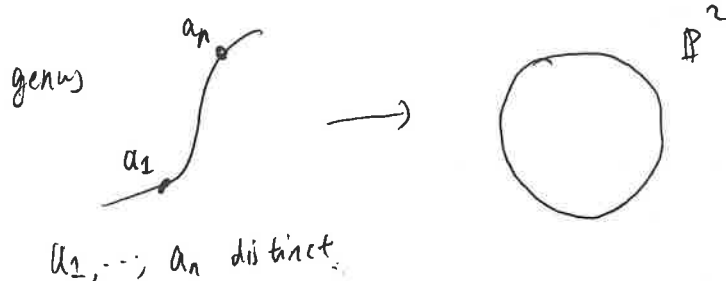
Rmk. Consider  $f \in \text{Mor}_d(\mathbb{P}^1, \mathbb{P}^2)$

$$[x:y] \mapsto [x^d : y^d : 0]$$

$$\mathbb{P}^1 \xrightarrow{\times 3d} \mathbb{P}^2$$

Revisit Kontsevich's question:

$$\text{Mor}_{0,n}(\mathbb{P}^2, d) \xrightarrow{\text{ev}_1, \dots, \text{ev}_n} \mathbb{P}^2 \\ \hookrightarrow \# \text{ marked pts}$$



$$\begin{array}{ccc} & & \mathbb{P}^2 \\ & \searrow & \\ \text{universal} & & \\ \text{curve} & \downarrow & \\ \text{Mor}_{0,n}(\mathbb{P}^2) & \xrightarrow{\text{ev}_i} & \mathbb{P}^2 \end{array}$$

Choose general  $p_1, \dots, p_{3d-1}$ ,  $\text{Mor}_{0,3d-1}(\mathbb{P}^2, d)$ .

$$\text{Consider } \# \text{ev}_1^{-1}(p_1) \cap \dots \cap \text{ev}_{3d-1}^{-1}(p_{3d-1}) = Nd.$$

First,

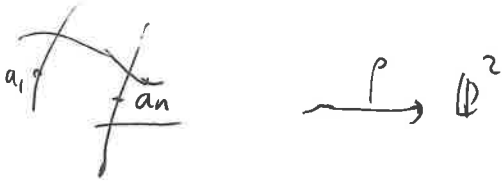
$$\overline{\mathcal{M}}_{0,n}(\mathbb{P}^2, d)$$

Stability condition.

parametrize

every irr. components contracted

by  $\rho$  have  $\geq 3$  "special" pts on it.



nodal genus 0,  $a_1, \dots, a_n$  distinct

Translation  $(C, p_1, \dots, p_n) \rightarrow \mathbb{P}^2$

has finite # of automorphisms

Miracle 1: This is a proper DM stack

Miracle 2: not hard.

$$\mathcal{M}_{0,n}(\mathbb{P}^2, d) \subset \overline{\mathcal{M}}_{0,n}(\mathbb{P}^2, d)$$

dense open

proper smooth

(boundary: normal crossings)

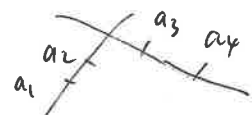
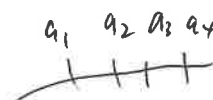
Nd is  $\# ev_1^{-1}(p_1) \cap \dots \cap ev_{3d-1}^{-1}(p_{3d-1})$  on  $\overline{\mathcal{M}}_{0,n}(\mathbb{P}^2, d)$

$$= ev_1^{-1}(p_1) \cap \dots \cap ev_{3d-1}^{-1}(p_{3d-1}) \cap [\overline{\mathcal{M}}_{0,n}(\mathbb{P}^2, d)]$$

Example.

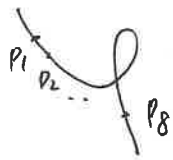
$$\overline{\mathcal{M}}_{0,n}(\mathbb{P}^2, d)$$

$a_1, a_2$   
 $a_3, a_4$   $\searrow$  cross ratio of 4 pts  
 $\overline{\mathcal{M}}_{0,4} = \overline{\mathcal{M}}_{0,4}(\text{pt})$



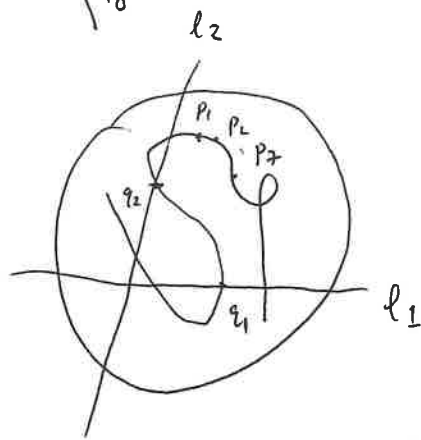


Let's compute  $N_3 = 12$  w/ la Kontsevich



Consider instead,

pick general  $p_1, \dots, p_7 \in \mathbb{P}^2$ , line  $l_1, l_2 \subset \mathbb{P}^2$   
rat'l curves through (later  $p_8 = l_1 \cap l_2$ )



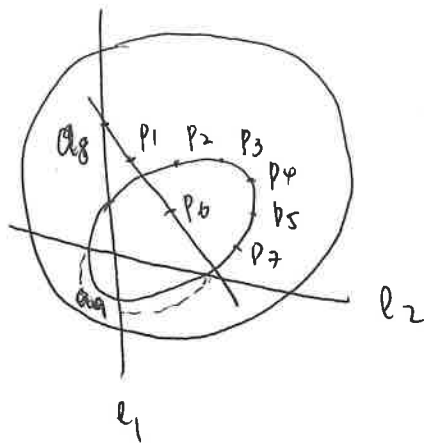
$$ev_1^{-1}(p_1) \cap \dots \cap ev_7^{-1}(p_7) \cap ev_8^{-1}(l_1) \cap ev_9^{-1}(l_2)$$

$$\cap \overline{M}_{0,9}(\mathbb{P}^2, 3)$$

$$CR \downarrow p_1, p_2, q_1, q_2$$

$$\overline{M}_{0,4}$$

$$CR^{-1} \left( \begin{array}{c} p_1, q_1 \\ p_2, q_2 \end{array} \right)$$



(case  $p_1$  on degree 1,  $p_2$  on degree 2)

→ 5 choices for splitting ( $p_3, \dots, p_7$ )

→ 2 choices for  $q_2$  on  $l_2$

→ 1 choice for  $q_1$  on  $l_1$

→ 2 choices for nodes

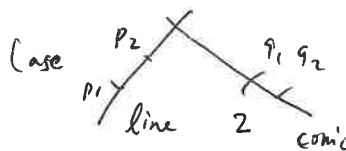
Total: 20

(case  $p_1$  on degree 2,  $p_2$  on degree 1)

20

Conclusion:  $A \cdot CR^{-1} \left( \begin{array}{c} p_1, q_1 \\ p_2, q_2 \end{array} \right) = 40$

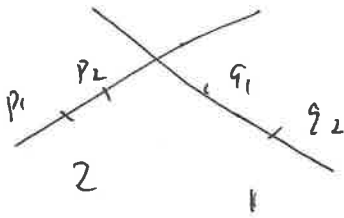
$$CR^{-1} \left( \begin{array}{c} p_1, p_2 \\ q_1, q_2 \end{array} \right)$$



→ 2 choices for  $q_1$

→ 2 choices for  $q_2$

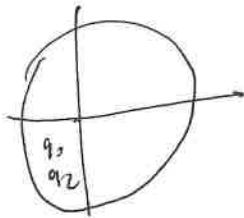
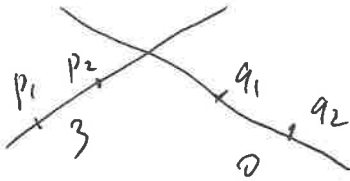
→ 2 choices for nodes  
total 8



-  $10 = \binom{5}{2}$  split at  $p_3, \dots, p_7$ .

- 2 choices for the node.

total 20.



$$|N_3|$$

$$N_3 + 28 = 40$$

$$\Rightarrow \underline{N_3 = 12}$$

Ex.  $|N_4| = 620$

## Lecture 11 Enumerative geometry

12 rational plane cubics through 8 general pts.

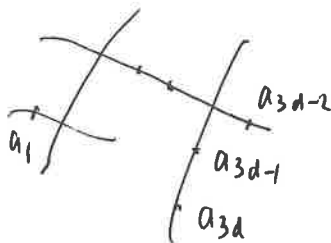
620 rational plane quartics through 11 general pts.

moduli spaces:

$\mathcal{M}$  — smooth 1-dim'l proper variety

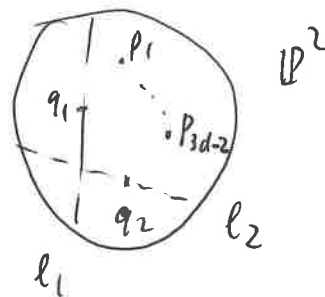


$\leq 1$  nodes



degree  
 $d$

(with) genus 0 curves  
nodal.



$$\mathcal{M} \xrightarrow{CR} \overline{\mathcal{M}}_{0,4}$$

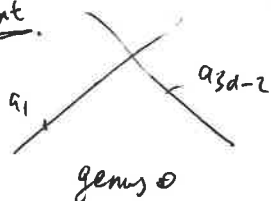
$p_1, p_2$

$q_1, q_2$

$$\# CR^{-1} \left( \begin{array}{c} \text{X} \\ \text{p}_1 \text{ q}_1 \text{ p}_2 \text{ q}_2 \end{array} \right) = \# CR^{-1} \left( \begin{array}{c} \text{X} \\ \text{p}_1 \text{ p}_2 \text{ q}_1 \text{ q}_2 \end{array} \right)$$

Space.

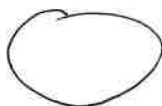
Want.



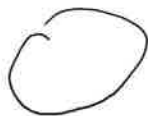
"stable"



know dimension



$\mathcal{M}_{0,3d}(\mathbb{P}^2, d)$



"stable"

$$\begin{array}{c} \overline{\mathcal{M}}_{0,3d} \\ \uparrow \quad \uparrow \\ \text{genus 0} \quad \# \text{ marked pts} \end{array} \quad \begin{array}{c} \text{target} \\ \mathbb{P}^2 \\ \text{degree } d \end{array}$$

: smooth, proper, known dim.

$\mathcal{M}_{0,3d}(\mathbb{P}^2, d)$  dense

Bertini's Thm (Kleiman-Bertini Thm, 1973)

$$\alpha: X \rightarrow \mathbb{P}^2 / \text{field } k \text{ char. } 0$$

$X$  smooth,  $l$  general line, then  $\alpha^{-1}(l)$  is smooth codim. 1.

$$ev_{3d-1}^{-1}(l_1) \cap \overline{\mathcal{M}}_{0,3d}(\mathbb{P}^2, d)$$

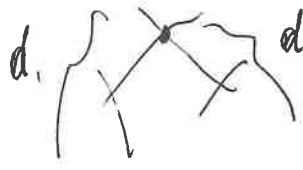
smooth.

$$q_1 \in l_1$$

$$q_2 \in l_2$$

Let's understand the locus in  $\overline{\mathcal{M}}_{0,n}(\mathbb{P}^2, d)$  where source has at least one node, i.e.  $\Delta \overline{\mathcal{M}}_{0,n}(\mathbb{P}^2, d) = \overline{\mathcal{M}}_{0,n}(\mathbb{P}^2, d) \setminus \mathcal{M}_{0,n}(\mathbb{P}^2, d)$ .

$\Delta_{d_1, d_2}:$



$$[n] \sqcup [n_2] = [n] \overline{\mathcal{M}}_{0, n_1+1}(\mathbb{P}^2, d_1) \times_{\mathbb{P}^2} \overline{\mathcal{M}}_{0, n_2+1}(\mathbb{P}^2, d_2) \subset \overline{\mathcal{M}}_{0,n}(\mathbb{P}^2, d)$$

an irred. component of  $\Delta \overline{\mathcal{M}}_{0,n}(\mathbb{P}^2, d)$   
(everyone twice)

$n = n_1 + n_2$   
 $[n] = [n_1] \sqcup [n_2]$

$$(R: \overline{\mathcal{M}}_{0,3d}(\mathbb{P}^2, d) \dashrightarrow \overline{\mathcal{M}}_{0,4})$$

Fact.



Issue,

$$\exists \overline{\mathcal{M}}_{g,n+1} \rightarrow \overline{\mathcal{M}}_{g,n}$$

More generally,



flat family <sup>connected</sup> genus  $g$  curve  
at most nodal w/  $n$  marked  
sections, pairwise disjoint

Fortunately. For  $g=0$ ,

$$X \coprod_F X \coprod_E X^0$$

Smooth Surface!!!

Smooth curve

$$E \cdot D = 1$$

$$E \cdot F = 0$$

$$D \cdot E = F$$

$$\mathcal{M} \dashrightarrow \overline{\mathcal{M}}_{0,4}$$

$$\Rightarrow E \cdot E = -1$$

$$\mathcal{M} \rightarrow \overline{\mathcal{M}}_{0,4} \Rightarrow \text{blow down } E!$$

(hard)  $\rightarrow \overline{\mathcal{M}}_{g,n}$

$$CR^{-1} \left( \begin{array}{c} \text{diagram of two intersecting lines with points } p_1, p_2, q_1, q_2 \end{array} \right)$$

i) what we thought.

$$CR^{-1} \left( \begin{array}{c} \text{diagram of two intersecting lines with points } p_1, p_2, q_1, q_2 \end{array} \right)$$

Next question:

$A_{m-1}$  surface singularity

Surface  $\begin{array}{c} \text{diagram of a grid with a cross} \end{array} \quad \begin{array}{c} p_1 \\ p_2 \\ q_1 \\ q_2 \end{array} \quad \begin{array}{c} / \\ xy = s^m \end{array}$

$\begin{array}{c} \text{diagram of a grid with a cross} \end{array} \quad \begin{array}{c} p_1 \\ p_2 \\ q_1 \\ q_2 \end{array} \quad \begin{array}{c} \text{surface} \\ t \\ \Delta \end{array} \quad \begin{array}{c} \text{circled } (x,y) \\ "xy = t" \end{array}$

$t = s^m$

Smooth curve

$\xrightarrow{CR}$

$\overline{M}_{0,4}$

$m = \text{mult } CR^{-1}(\Delta) ?$

$\boxed{\overline{M}_{g,n}(X, \beta)}$   
virtual fund. class

Lecture 12 Today: Why  $\overline{M}_{0,n}(\mathbb{P}^2, d)$  smooth (Deformation theory).

Moduli of curves  $M_g$ . later: "turn on" points, singularities, maps.

translation: If  $M$  is a f.t. /  $k$  moduli space,

Smooth:

Show (Zar) tangent space at every closed pt has  $\dim = \dim M$  [for DM stacks, alg. spaces, f.t. varieties]

$T_p M_g = H^1(C, T_C) =: \det(C)$

$H^0(C, T_C) = \text{aut } C$

$p = [C] \xrightarrow{k=k} \text{Spec } k(\epsilon)/\epsilon^2 \rightarrow M_g$   
 $\uparrow$   
 $\text{Spec } k \rightarrow p$

If  $X$  is a smooth variety,

$$H^1(X, T_X) = \text{def } X \quad \text{Exercise.}$$

$$\begin{array}{ccc} X \rightsquigarrow X_{\bullet} \rightarrow X \\ \downarrow \quad \downarrow \text{flat} \\ \bullet \rightarrow \bullet = \text{Spec } k[\epsilon]/\epsilon^2 \end{array}$$

Rule If  $X$  is affine,  $\text{def } X = 0$ .

$$\underline{\xi}_X. \quad X \times \text{Spec } k[\epsilon]/\epsilon^2 = \tilde{X}$$

auts of  $\tilde{X}$  preserving  $X$ .



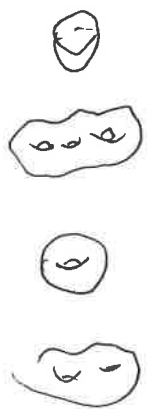
$$\text{Spec } k[\epsilon]/\epsilon^2$$

$X$  smooth

$$H^0(X, T_X)$$

$$H^1(X, T_X)$$

$$H^2(X, T_X), \dots$$



$$g \geq 2$$

$$3$$

$$0$$

$$1\text{-dim}$$

$$0$$

$$0$$

$$0\text{-dim}$$

$$\dim 6$$

$$1\text{-dim}$$

$$3$$

$$3g-3$$

obstruction space.

Artin stacks smooth  
 $\dim 3g-3$

DM stack. Smooth  
 $\dim 3g-3$ .

Formally locally.



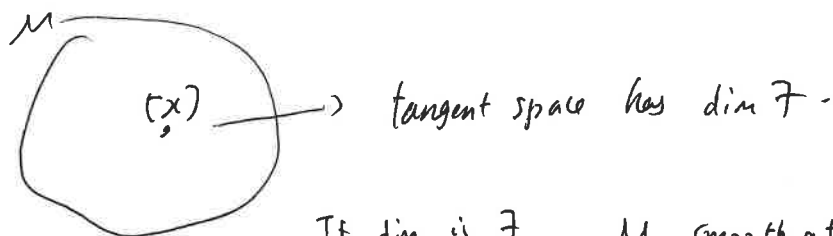
$$0_b = 0 \Rightarrow M \text{ is smooth.}$$

cut out by equations  $\Leftrightarrow H^2(T_X)$ .

Example Mod. space f.t.

$$h^0(X, \mathcal{I}_X) = 0$$

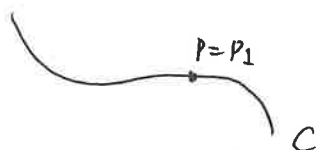
$$h^1(X, \mathcal{I}_X) = 7, \quad h^2(X, \mathcal{I}_X) = 1.$$



If dim is 7,  $M$  smooth at  $X$ .

- If dim is 6, it has hypersurface singularity. It is Cohen-Macaulay, Gorenstein.

$\mathcal{M}_{g,1}$



$$\mathcal{M}_{g,1} \longrightarrow \mathcal{M}_g$$

$$\det(C, p) \longrightarrow \det(C)$$

$$H^1(C, \mathcal{I}_C)$$

$$\text{aut}(C, p) \longrightarrow \text{aut}(C)$$

$$H^0(C, \mathcal{I}_C(-p)) \longrightarrow H^0(C, \mathcal{I}_C)$$

$$0 \longrightarrow \mathcal{I}_C(-p) \longrightarrow \mathcal{I}_C \longrightarrow \mathcal{I}_C|_p \longrightarrow 0$$

$$0 \longrightarrow H^0(\mathcal{I}_C(-p)) \longrightarrow H^0(\mathcal{I}_C) \longrightarrow H^0(\mathcal{I}_C|_p) \longrightarrow H^1(\mathcal{I}_C(-p)) \longrightarrow H^1(\mathcal{I}_C) \longrightarrow 0$$

$$\text{aut}(C, p) \quad \text{aut } C \quad \det_C p \quad \det(C, p) \quad \det C$$

$\mathcal{M}$  stack

$$\dim \mathcal{M}_{1,1} = 1$$

$\mathcal{M}_{1,0}$  Artin stack

Next.  $X$  smooth. Consider  $M_g(X)$

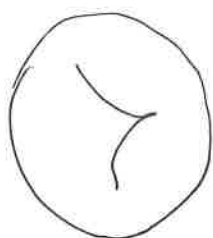
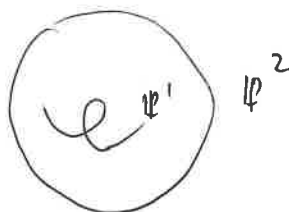
$$C \xrightarrow[\text{smooth}]{\pi} X$$

closed  
embedding

$$0 \rightarrow T_C \rightarrow \pi^* T_X \rightarrow N_{C|X} \rightarrow 0 \quad \text{on } C$$

$$\begin{aligned} 0 \rightarrow H^0(T_C) &\rightarrow H^0(\pi^* T_X) \rightarrow H^0(N_{C|X}) \\ &\text{aut } C \quad \text{det } \pi \quad \text{det}(C, \pi) \\ \rightarrow H^1(T_C) &\rightarrow H^1(\pi^* T_X) \rightarrow H^1(N_{C|X}) \\ &\text{det } C \quad \text{ob } \pi \quad \text{ob}(C, \pi) \\ \rightarrow H^2(T_C) &\rightarrow \dots \rightarrow 0 \end{aligned}$$

Slightly more generally,  $\mathbb{P}^1 \xrightarrow{C} \mathbb{P}^2$  non constant  $OK!$



$$0 \rightarrow \mathcal{O}_C \rightarrow T_C \rightarrow \pi^* T_X \rightarrow \mathcal{O}_{C|X} \rightarrow 0$$

$\parallel$   
 $0$

Claim.  $H^1(C, \pi^* T_{\mathbb{P}^2}) = 0$  (hence moduli space is smooth)

for  $C = \mathbb{P}^1$ , nonconstant

$$0 \rightarrow 0 \rightarrow \mathcal{O}(1)^{\oplus 3} \rightarrow T_{\mathbb{P}^2} \rightarrow 0$$

Suffices to show  $H^1(C, \mathcal{O}(1)) = 0$ .



Constant case:  $0 \rightarrow K_{C/X} \rightarrow T_C \rightarrow \pi^* T_X \rightarrow N_{C/X} \rightarrow 0$

complex  $[T_C \rightarrow \pi^* T_X]$  instead of a sheaf.

Now allow  $C$  to be singular.  $H^1(C, T_C)$  ?

$\text{Ext}^1(\Omega_C, \mathcal{O}_C)$ .  
(works for singular  $C$ .)

Idea for stable maps in general,

aut / det / ob  $C$   $\text{Ext}^1(\Omega_C, \mathcal{O}_C)$

aut / det / ob  $\pi$   $H^1(\pi^* T_X)$

have  $\boxed{\pi^* \Omega_X \rightarrow \Omega_C}$  Apply  $\text{RH.m}(\cdot, \mathcal{O}_C)$  to  $\begin{matrix} \Omega_C \\ \pi^* \Omega_X \end{matrix}$   
 $\pi^* \Omega_X \rightarrow \Omega_C$

Last calculation of the day:

Det.  $\mathcal{Y}_C$  compared to  $\begin{matrix} p \\ \text{---} \\ i \end{matrix} \tilde{C}$

$\text{Det}(\tilde{C}, p, q) \rightarrow \text{Det}(C) \rightarrow 1\text{-dim'l}$  (smoothing of the node)

$H^0(T_{\tilde{C}}(-p-q)) \rightarrow \text{Ext}^1(\Omega_C, \mathcal{O}_C) \rightarrow H^0(\text{Ext}^1(\Omega_C, \mathcal{O}_C))$

# Lecture 13. Today. Irreducibility of the moduli space of curves

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Rational connection

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Deligne - Mumford '69

Kollar, Mori, Grothendieck - Harris - Starr

moduli space of curves  $M_g$  is irreducible.

$$\dim_{\mathbb{C}} M_g = 3g-3$$

$\exists$  irreducible



every curve appears.

$N_g \xrightarrow{\text{surj.}} M_g$

Goal 1.1. Find an irred. family  $N_g$  in which every genus  $g$  curve sits.



genus  $g$  curve

Riemann - Hurwitz formula:

$\downarrow$  deg  $d$  cover

$$2-2g = d \cdot (2-2 \cdot 0) - r$$

$\mathbb{P}^1$



$$\boxed{r = 2d + 2g - 2}$$

Riemann

$$N_g = N_{d,g}$$

$$d \gg 0 \sim 2g$$

moduli space of degree  $d$

branched cover of  $\mathbb{P}^1$

Goal: irreducible.

$d$  copies of



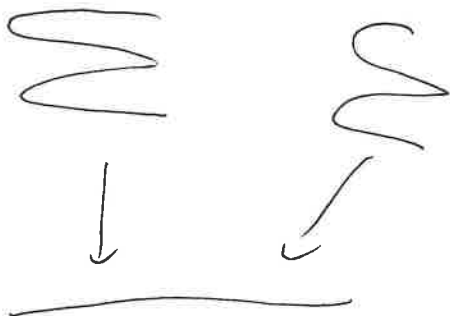
Condition:  $\sigma_1 \cdots \sigma_d = e$  in  $S_d$

Conversely, this determines the cover complex-analytically  
Riemann existence theorem.

Fact 1 (soon):  $N_{d,g}$  is smooth

$$= M_g(\mathbb{P}^1, d) \text{ of dim } 2d + 2g - 2.$$

local: connected.

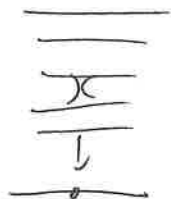


same  $g, d$

Most such covers are of this form.

$\sigma_1, \dots, \sigma_d$  are transpositions  $\sigma_j = (ab)$

i.e.



i.e. analytically locally, for each branch pt 1 ram. pt.,  
and analytically  $y^2 = x$ .

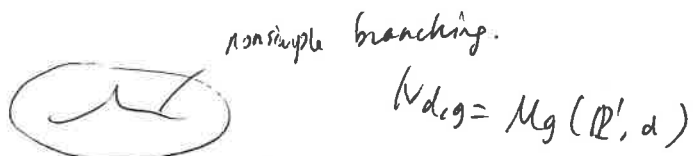
$\sigma_1 \dots \sigma_b = e$        $b$  pts  
transportation

reduces the problem to a

$\sigma'_1 \dots \sigma'_b = e$       another  $b$  pts

combinatorial game.

If you don't have simple branching.



Back to Deligne-Mumford (1969)

$Mg$  (black box) finite type  $\mathbb{C}$ , smooth dim  $3g-3$ ,

$\bar{M}g$  tangent space at  $C$  is  $H^1(C, T_C)$   
 $Ext^1(\mathcal{N}_C, \mathcal{O}_C)$

Goal: show connected.

$Mg$  connected       $\bar{M}g$  corresponds to stable curves

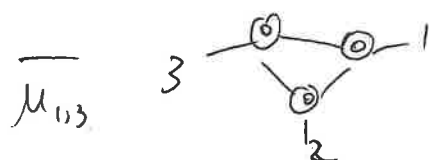


genus 0 components  
have  $\geq 3$  "special pts"

For convenience, describe it as a "stable graph", encoding the topological type of a stable curve.

Q, What is the dimension of the space of curves of a given topological type?

0-dim strata



1-dim stratum

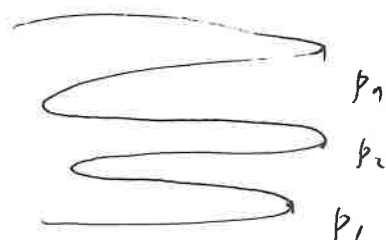
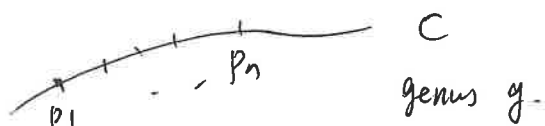


Exercise. Any 2 trivalent graphs in  $\overline{M}_{g,n}$  are connected by such 1-strata.

Needed. Any curve in  $M_{g,n}$  can be connected to a curve in  $\overline{M}_{g,n} \setminus M_{g,n}$ .

That suffices!

Now let us finish



$$\mathbb{Q}(\ ?p_1 + ?p_2 + \dots + ?p_n )$$



branch pts that deform "independently" of each other.

fixed  
branching  
at  $\omega$

$$\overline{M}_g'(\mathbb{P}', d) \xrightarrow{br} \text{Sym}^d \mathbb{P}' \cong \mathbb{P}^d$$

$$M_g'(\mathbb{P}', d)$$

$(c, p_1, \dots, p_d)$

## Lecture 14

Graber - Harris - Starr Thm

↑ rational connectedness

birational  
geometry

disphantine  
geometry

Mod. spaces

→ Hilbert

enum. geom.

Kontsevich

→ GW theory

→ deformation theory of maps

→ irreducibility of  $M_g$ , Fulton

Hurwitz space

trichotomy

$g$  curve

$g=0$

$g=1$

$g \geq 2$

$X$



$T_X$

pos.

zero.

neg.

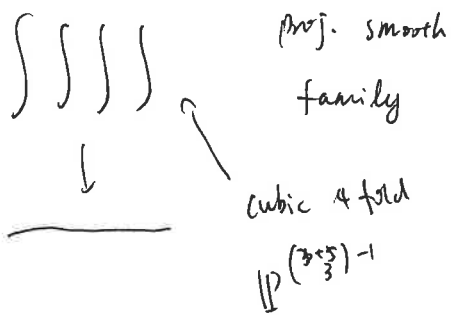
$X$  arbitrary dim  
 $de \in \Omega_X = K_X$

neg:

Fano rational

zero

pos: general type



Rationality ???

neither open nor closed

Hard meta-question: given  $X$ , is it rat'l?

Def. Given  $X$  projective cpx smooth irred. var, we say  $X$  is

rationally connected if one of these equiv. definitions holds:

For any two general pts  $p, q \in X$ ,

[ Kollár, Miyaoka, Mori.  
— Campana ]



any 2 pts  
 $p, q$

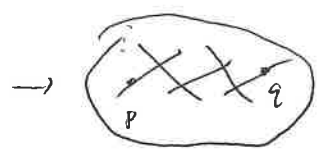
any finite set  
of pts



maybe immersed



chain of \$\mathbb{P}^1\$'s



rat'l  
\$\exists \mathbb{P}^1 \rightarrow X\$ immersed  
w/ positive normal bundle

normal bundle:

$$0 \rightarrow T_{\mathbb{P}^1} \rightarrow \pi^* T_X \rightarrow N \rightarrow 0$$

|  
positive

$$N = \bigoplus \mathcal{O}(n_i), n_i > 0$$

Observations      RC    birat'l invt

rat'l  $\Rightarrow$  RC

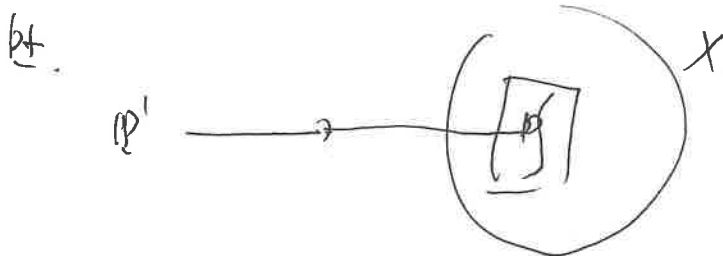
$\Downarrow$      $\nearrow$

unirational

Def     $X$  unirational       $\mathbb{P}^n \dashrightarrow X$   
dominant.

$\dim X = 1$  or  $2$ ,    rat'l  $\Leftrightarrow$  RC  
(classification)

Prop    Suppose     $D \subset X$      $D$  rat'l conn'd  $\Rightarrow$   $X$  rat'l conn'd.  
smooth ample



$$0 \rightarrow N_{D/C} \rightarrow N_{C,X} \rightarrow N_{D,X}|_C \rightarrow 0$$

$$N \text{ positive } \Leftrightarrow H^1(N(-1)) = 0.$$

Cor    smooth Cubic hypersurfaces are all RC.  
 $\dim \geq 2$

Cubic 3 folds are never rat'l

Clemens - Griffiths - '69

Thm    Then Kollár - Miyaoka - Mori,  $X$  Fano (i.e.  $-K_X$  ample),  
 $\Rightarrow X$  rationally connected.



Prop Rational conn'dness is an open + closed condition in families

Sketch Pf.

open

$$\mathcal{M}_0(X, \beta)$$

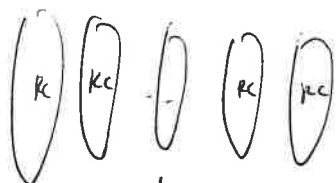
$$H^1(N(-1)) = 0 \text{ at } \pi: C \rightarrow X_0.$$



smooth at  $\pi: \mathbb{P}^1 \rightarrow X_0.$

B

closed



X



B

curve

$$\overline{\mathcal{M}}_{0,2}(X, d)$$



$$X \times_B X$$

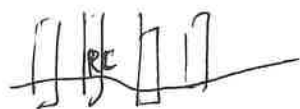
$$\begin{aligned} & \mathcal{P} \subset X_1 \subset \mathbb{P}^1_{\text{proj}} \\ & \exists d > 0. \\ & \overline{\mathcal{M}}_{0,2}(X_1, d) \\ & \rightarrow X_1 \times X_1 \end{aligned}$$

Graber - Harris - Starr Thm

X



B



smooth, proj.

smooth curve

Then has a section

Cor.  $\overset{\text{smooth}}{X}$  has one RC fiber  
 $\downarrow$   
 $Y$  RC (proj. smooth), then  $X$  is RC

(gen. of Tsen's thm)

Thm. Let  $k$  be a field of tr. deg  $\geq 1/\mathbb{C}$ ,  
 then any RC variety  $X/k$  has a rat'l pt.

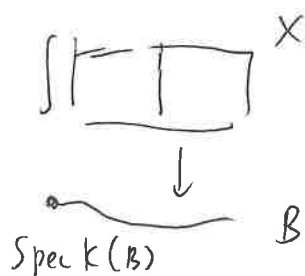
pol. in  $n+1$  variables degree  $d < n+1$

coeff. in  $k$  has a solution.

$t x_0^4 + x_1^4 + x_2^4 + x_3^4 = 0$  has a sol'n  
 in  $\mathbb{C}(t)$ .

$$k = \mathbb{F}_F(B)$$

$\uparrow$   
 smooth curve



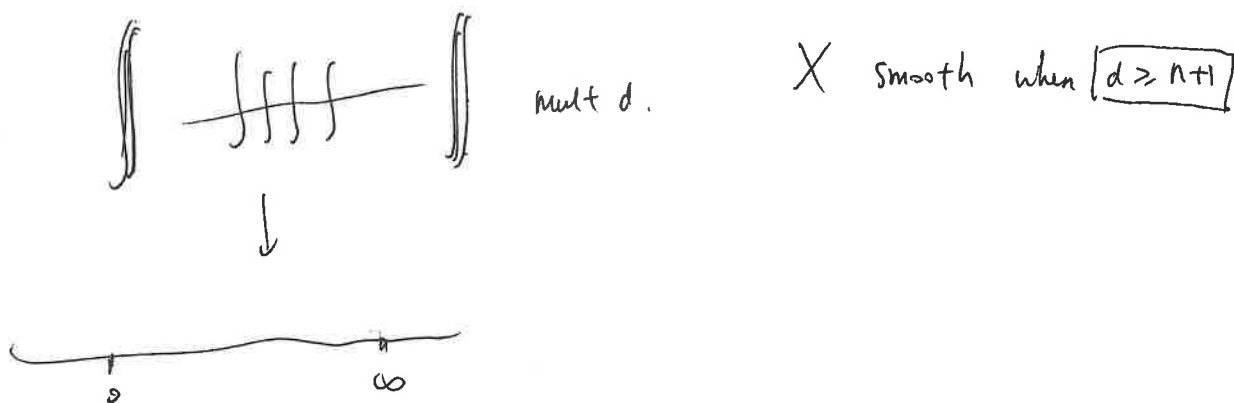
Example of a RC variety of degree  $d \geq n+1$  in  $\mathbb{P}^n/k$  w/o a rat'l pt.

$$X_0 = \{ z_0^d + \dots + z_n^d = 0 \text{ in } \mathbb{P}^n \}$$

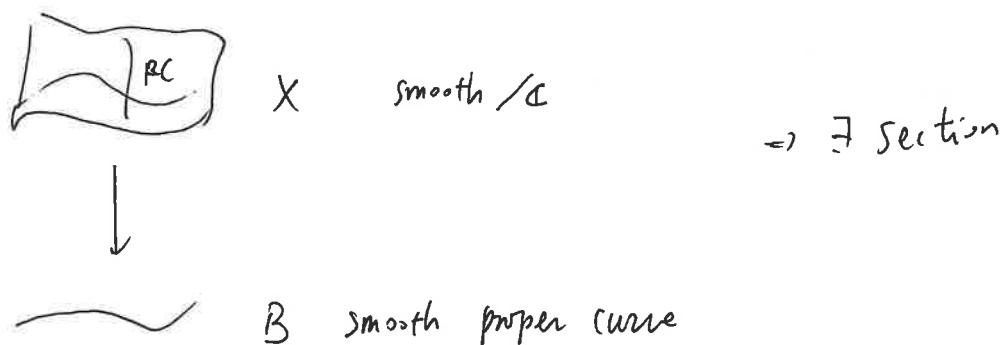
$\zeta$  primitive  $d$ th root of unity.

$$\mu_d \sim X_0, \quad \zeta, [z_0 : \dots : z_n] = [z_0 : \zeta z_1 : \dots : \zeta^n z_n]$$

$$\begin{array}{ccc} X_0 \times \mathbb{P}^1 & \xrightarrow{\mu_d} & X \\ \downarrow & & \downarrow \\ \mathbb{P}^1 / \mu_d & \longrightarrow & \mathbb{P}^1 \end{array}$$



## Lecture 15 Graber - Harris - Starr and weak approximation



$/ \mathbb{A}^1$

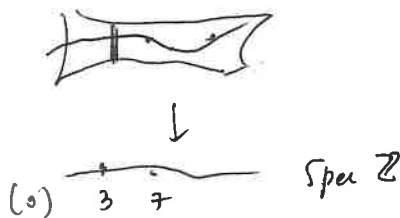
deg  $d < n+1$ , hypersurfaces in  $\mathbb{P}^n$

i.e. Fano

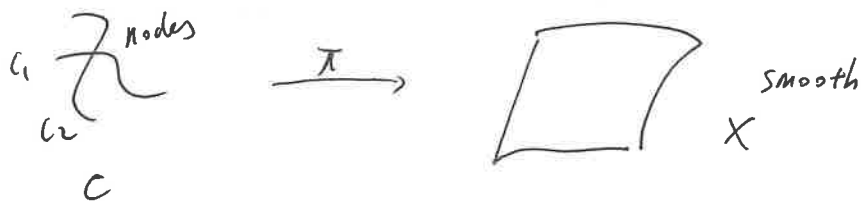
i.e.  $-K_X$  very ample.

$$x^3 + y^3 + z^3 + w^3 = 0 \text{ in } \mathbb{P}^3$$

With constraints mod  $p_i^{ar}$



# Deformation theory facts



$$N: 0 \rightarrow T_C \rightarrow \pi^* T_X \rightarrow N_{C|X} \rightarrow 0$$

conormal sheaf of cl. embedding  $I/I^2$  vector bdl for  $C$  nodes.  
normal bundle ... ok

$H^0(N)$  1st order deformation of map  $\pi$

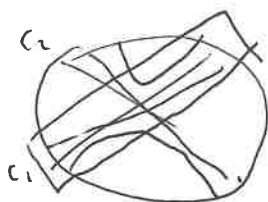
$H^1(N)$  obstruction

$$N_{C|X}|_{c_i} \cong N_{c_i|X}(p), \quad N_{C|X}|_{c_2} \cong N_{c_2|X}(p) \quad (X \cong \mathbb{P}^2)$$

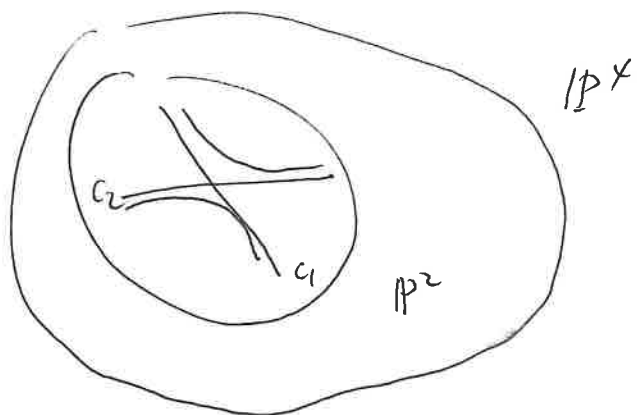
$(c_1, p), (c_2, p)$  near  $\pi$

$$\mathcal{M}((c_1, p) \rightarrow X) \times_X \mathcal{M}((c_2, p) \rightarrow X) \xrightarrow{\text{diagonal}} \mathcal{M}(C \rightarrow X)$$

$$\square \rightarrow \text{def}_{C \rightarrow X} \xrightarrow{1\text{-dim'l}} \text{def}_{\text{node}} \rightarrow 0$$



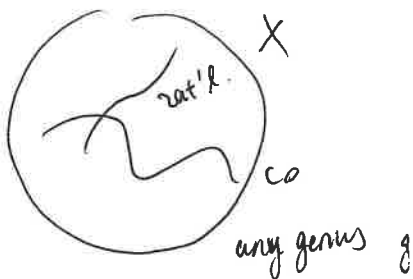
consider def. to conics in  $\mathbb{P}^2$ .



$$N_{C/X} |_{C_1} \cong N_{C/X} |_{C_2} \leftarrow \text{only along one direction}$$

$$N_{C/X} |_{C_1} \cong N_{C/X} |_{C_2}$$

Suppose  $X$  is rationally connected.



$$H^0(N)$$

$$H^1(N)$$

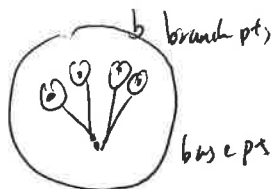
Fulton's pt of irreducibility of  $M_g$

Simple branching

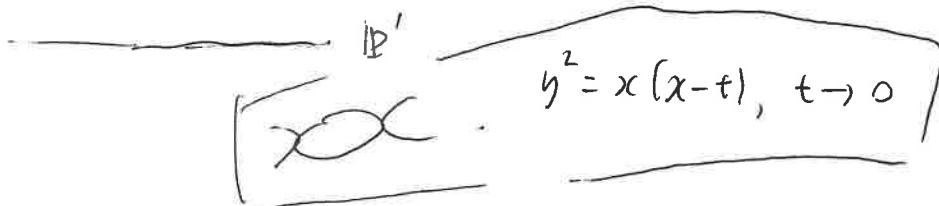


deg  $d$   $\downarrow$  genus  $g$  curve

$b$  transposition mult. identity.



$d$  copies



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