# Mixed Characteristic MMP



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# 1 Basepoint Free Theorem on Positive Characteristic

This section refers to [Kee99]. For site and algebraic space, we refer to [Knu71], [Art70], [Stacks] and [FGA05]. Throughout this section, all schemes (or algebraic space) are of finite type over a base scheme S with S noetherian.

#### 1.1 Preliminaries

**Theorem 1.1** (Serre vanishing in relative setting, ref. [Laz04, Theorem 1.7.6]). Let  $f: X \to S$  be a proper morphism of schemes,  $\mathcal{L}$  a line bundle and  $\mathcal{F}$  a coherent sheaf on X. Suppose that  $\mathcal{L}$  is relatively ample. Then there exists  $n_0 \in \mathbb{m}$  such that for all  $n \geq n_0$ , the higher direct image sheaves  $R^i f_* \mathcal{F} \otimes \mathcal{L}^{\otimes n}$  are zero for all i > 0.

**Theorem 1.2** (ref. [Laz04, Proposition 1.4.37]). Let X be a projective scheme over a field  $\mathbb{k}$ . Then there exists a scheme T of finite type over  $\mathbb{k}$  and a line bundle  $\mathcal{L}$  on  $X \times T$  such that every numerically trivial line bundle on X arises as the restriction  $\mathcal{L}|_{X \times \{t\}}$  for some  $t \in T$ .

**Theorem 1.3** (Theorem on Formal Functions, ref. [Har77, Chapter III, Theorem 11.1]). Let  $f: X \to Y$  be a projective morphism of noetherian schemes, let  $\mathcal{F}$  be a coherent sheaf on X, and let  $y \in Y$ . Then the natural map

$$(R^if_*\mathcal{F})^{\wedge}_y\to \varprojlim H^i(X_n,\mathcal{F}_n)$$

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**Definition 1.4.** Let X be a proper variety and  $\mathcal{L}$  a nef line bundle on X. A closed subvariety  $Z \subseteq X$  is called the *exceptional* for  $\mathcal{L}$  if  $\mathcal{L}^{\dim Z} \cdot Z = 0$ . The *exceptional locus* of  $\mathcal{L}$ , denoted by  $\operatorname{Exc} \mathcal{L}$ , is defined as the closure of the union of all exceptional subvarieties of  $\mathcal{L}$ .

If  $\mathcal{L}$  is semiample, then  $\operatorname{Exc} \mathcal{L} = \operatorname{Exc} \varphi$  for the fibration  $\varphi : X \to Y$  induced by  $\mathcal{L}$ .

**Definition 1.5.** Let X be a proper scheme and  $\mathcal{L}$  a nef line bundle on X. We say that  $\mathcal{L}$  is *endowed* with a map (EWM) if there is a proper morphism  $\varphi: X \to Y$  to a proper algebraic space such that  $\dim Z > \dim f(Z)$  if and only if Z is an exceptional subvariety of  $\mathcal{L}$ . If such a morphism is a fibration, then it is unique, called the *fibration associated to*  $\mathcal{L}$ .

**Proposition 1.6.** Let X be a proper variety and  $\mathcal{L}$  a nef line bundle on X endowed with a map. Let  $\varphi: X \to Y$  be the associated fibration. Then TFAE:

- (a)  $\mathcal{L}$  is semiample;
- (b)  $\mathcal{L}^{\otimes m}$  is pulled back from an ample line bundle on Y for some  $m \in \mathbb{Z}_{>0}$ ;
- (c)  $\mathcal{L}^{\otimes m}$  is pulled back from a line bundle on Y for some  $m \in \mathbb{Z}_{>0}$ ;

*Proof.* (a)  $\Leftrightarrow$  (b)  $\Rightarrow$  (c) is clear. Replacing  $\mathcal{L}$  by  $\mathcal{L}^{\otimes m}$  for some  $m \in \mathbb{Z}_{>0}$ , suppose that  $\mathcal{L} = \varphi^* \mathcal{L}_Y$  for some line bundle  $\mathcal{L}_Y$  on Y. We show that  $\mathcal{L}_Y$  is ample. Indeed, for all closed subvarieties  $Z \subset Y$ , we can find  $Z' \subset X$  such that  $Z' \Rightarrow Z$  and dim  $Z' = \dim Z$ . Then

$$\mathcal{L}_{Y}^{\dim Z} \cdot Z = d\mathcal{L}^{\dim Z'} \cdot Z' > 0$$

where  $d = \deg(Z' \to Z)$ . Hence  $\mathcal{L}_Y$  is ample.

**Definition 1.7.** A morphism  $f: X \to Y$  of schemes is called a *universal homeomorphism* if for every Y-scheme Y', the base change  $X \times_Y Y' \to Y'$  is a homeomorphism between the underlying topological spaces.

**Example 1.8.** Let X be a scheme of finite type over  $\mathbb{R}$ . Then the natural morphism  $X_{\text{red}} \to X$  is a universal homeomorphism.

Let X be a scheme over S of characteristic p. Then the absolute and relative Frobenius morphisms are universal homeomorphisms. Yang: To be completed.

The morphism  $\operatorname{Spec} \mathfrak{C} \to \operatorname{Spec} \mathfrak{r}$  is not a universal homeomorphism.

**Lemma 1.9.** Let  $f: X \to Y$  and  $g: Y \to Z$  be two morphisms of schemes with g finite. Let  $\mathcal{F}$  be a coherent sheaf on X. Then the we have

$$R^i(g \circ f)_* \mathcal{F} = g_*(R^i f_* \mathcal{F}).$$

*Proof.* Yang: This is a simple application of the Grothendieck spectral sequence. However, I do not know anything about it.  $\Box$ 

#### 1.2 Algebraic space

**Definition 1.10.** Let  $\mathbf{C}$  be a category. A *Grothendieck topology* on  $\mathbf{C}$  is a collection of sets of arrows  $\{U_i \to U\}_{i \in I}$ , called *covering*, for each object U in  $\mathbf{C}$  such that:

- (a) if  $V \to U$  is an isomorphism, then  $\{V \to U\}$  is a covering;
- (b) if  $\{U_i \to U\}_{i \in I}$  is a covering and  $V \to U$  is a arrow, then the fiber product  $U_i \times_U V \to V$  exists and  $\{U_i \times_U V \to V\}$  is a covering of V;
- (c) if  $\{U_i \to U\}_{i \in I}$  and  $\{U_{ij} \to U_i\}_{j \in J_i}$  are coverings, then the collection of composition  $\{U_{ij} \to U_i \to U\}_{i \in I, j \in J_i}$  is a covering.

A site is a pair (C, j) where C is a category and j is a Grothendieck topology on C.

Note that sheaf is indeed defined on a site.

**Definition 1.11.** Let  $(\mathbf{C}, j)$  be a site. A *sheaf* on  $(\mathbf{C}, j)$  is a functor  $\mathcal{F}: \mathbf{C}^{op} \to \mathbf{Set}$  satisfying the following condition: for every object U in  $\mathbf{C}$  and every covering  $\{U_i \to U\}_{i \in I}$  of U, if we have a collection of elements  $s_i \in \mathcal{F}(U_i)$  such that for every i, j, the pullback  $s_i|_{U_i \times_U U_j}$  and  $s_j|_{U_i \times_U U_j}$  are equal, then there exists a unique element  $s \in \mathcal{F}(U)$  such that for every i, the pullback  $s|_{U_i} = s_i$ .

**Definition 1.12.** Let X be a scheme. The *big étale site* of X, denoted by  $(\mathbf{Sch}/X)_{\text{\'et}}$ , is the category of schemes over X with the Grothendieck topology generated by étale morphisms, that is, a collection of morphisms  $\{U_i \to U\}_{i \in I}$  is a covering if and only if each  $U_i$  is étale over U and the union of their images is the whole U.

Let X be a scheme over S. By Yoneda's Lemma, it is equivalent to give a functor  $h_X : \mathbf{Sch}_S^{op} \to \mathbf{Set}$  such that for any S-scheme T,  $h_X(T) = \mathrm{Hom}_{\mathbf{Sch}_S}(T,X)$ . Yang: Easy to check that  $h_X$  is a sheaf on the big étale site  $(\mathbf{Sch}/S)_{\mathrm{\acute{e}t}}$ .

**Definition 1.13.** Let U be a scheme over a base scheme S. An étale equivalence relation on U is a morphism  $R \to U \times_S U$  between schemes over S such that:

- (a) the projections in two factors  $R \to U$  are étale and surjective;
- (b) for every S-scheme T,  $h_R(T) \to h_U(T) \times h_U(T)$  gives an equivalence relation on  $h_U(T)$  settheoretically.

**Definition 1.14.** An algebraic space X over a base scheme S is an S-scheme U together with an étale equivalence relation  $R \to U \times_S U$ .

Let X = (U, R) be an algebraic space over S. We explain X as a sheaf on the big étale site  $(Sch/S)_{\text{\'et}}$ .

$$X(T) := \left\{ f = (f_i) \middle| \begin{array}{l} \{T_i \to T\} \text{ a covering, } f_i \in h_U(T_i) \text{ such} \\ \text{that } (f_i|_{T_i \times_T T_i}, f_j|_{T_i \times_T T_j}) \in h_R(T_i \times_T T_j) \end{array} \right\} / \sim,$$

where

$$\alpha \sim \beta$$
 if  $\exists \{S_i \to T\}$  such that  $(\alpha|_{S_i}, \beta|_{S_i}) \in h_R(S_i)$ .

**Definition 1.15.** An algebraic space over a base scheme S is a sheaf F on the big étale site  $(\mathbf{Sch}/S)_{\text{\'et}}$  such that

- (a) the diagonal morphism  $F \to F \times_S F$  is representable;
- (b) there exists a scheme U over S and a map  $h_U \to F$  which is surjective and étale.

The morphism between algebraic spaces  $F_1, F_2$  is defined as a natural transformation of functors  $F_1, F_2$ .

**Remark 1.16.** By Yoneda's Lemma, given a morphism  $h_U \to F$  between sheaves is the same as giving an element of F(U). We may abuse the notation.

**Definition 1.17.** Let p be a property of morphisms of schemes satisfying the following conditions:

- (a) is preserved under any base change;
- (b) is étale local on the base. Yang: In [Stacks], this requires that "fppf local".

Let  $\alpha: F \to G$  be a representable morphism of sheaves on the big étale site  $(\mathbf{Sch}/S)_{\mathrm{\acute{e}t}}$ . We say that  $\alpha$  has property p if for every  $h_T \to G$ , the base change  $h_T \times_G F \to F$  has property p.

Remark 1.18. The fiber product  $F_1 \times_F F_2$  is just defined as  $F_1 \times_F F_2(T) := F_1(T) \times_{F(T)} F_2(T)$  for any object  $T \in \text{Obj}(\mathbf{Sch}_S)$ . We say that a morphism  $f : F_1 \to F_2$  of sheaves is representable if for every  $T \in \text{Obj}(\mathbf{Sch}/S)$  and every  $\xi \in F_2(T)$ , the sheaf  $F_1 \times_{F_2} h_T$  is representable as a functor. Here  $h_T \to F_2$  is given by

$$h_T(U) \to F_2(U), \quad f \in \operatorname{Hom}(U,T) \mapsto F_2(f)(\xi) \in F_2(U).$$

In our case, given an arbitrary  $h_U \to F \times F$  is equivalent to giving morphisms  $h_{U_i} \to F$  for i=1,2. And the fiber product  $F \times_{F \times F} (h_{U_1} \times h_{U_2})$  is just the fiber product  $h_{U_1} \times_F h_{U_2}$ . Hence the first condition in Definition 1.15 is equivalent to that  $h_{U_1} \times_F h_{U_2}$  is representable for any  $U_1, U_2$  over F. This implies that  $h_U \to F$  is representable, whence the second condition in Definition 1.15 makes sense.

**Definition 1.19.** Let X be an algebraic space over a base scheme S. Two two morphisms form field  $\operatorname{Spec} k_i \to X$  is called equivalent if there is a common extension  $K \supset k_1, k_2$  such that we have  $\operatorname{Spec} K \to \operatorname{Spec} k_i \to X$  are the same for i=1,2. The underlying point set of X, denote by |X|, is defined as the set of equivalence classes of morphisms  $\operatorname{Spec} k \to X$  for all field k over the base field k.

This definition coincides with the underlying set of a scheme. Let  $\alpha: X \to Y$  be a morphism of algebraic spaces. It induces a map  $|\alpha|:|X|\to |Y|$  by  $x\mapsto \alpha\circ x$  (vertical composition).

**Proposition 1.20** (ref. [Stacks, Lemma 66.4.6]). There is a unique topology on |X| such that

- (a) if X is a scheme, then the topology coincides with the usual topology.
- (b) every morphism of algebraic spaces  $f: X \to Y$  induces a continuous map  $|f|: |X| \to |Y|$ .
- (c) if U is a scheme and  $U \to X$  is étale, then the induced map  $|U| \to |X|$  is open.

This topology is called the *Zariski topology* on |X|.

**Definition 1.21.** Let X be an algebraic space over a base scheme S. All étale morphisms  $U \to X$  with U scheme form a small site  $X_{\text{\'et}}$ . All étale morphisms  $U \to X$  with U algebraic space form a small site  $X_{\text{sp,\'et}}$ . The *structure sheaf*  $\mathcal{O}_X$  of X is given by  $U \mapsto \Gamma(U, \mathcal{O}_U)$  for every étale morphism  $U \to X$  from a scheme. It extends to a sheaf on the site  $X_{\text{sp,\'et}}$  uniquely.

**Example 1.22.** Let  $U = \mathbb{a}^1_{\mathbb{C}}$  and  $R \subset U \times U$  given by  $y = x + n, n \in \mathbb{Z}$ . Then R is a disjoint union of lines in  $U \times U$ . Write  $R = \coprod_{n \in \mathbb{Z}} R_n$  with  $R_n = \{(x, x + n) : x \in \mathbb{C}\}$ . Then the projection is given by

$$\pi_1|_{R_n}: R_n \to U, \quad (x, x+n) \mapsto x,$$
  
 $\pi_2|_{R_n}: R_n \to U, \quad (x, x+n) \mapsto x+n.$ 

Easily see that the projection  $\pi_i: R \to U$  is étale and surjective for i=1,2. Let  $r_{ij}: R \times U \to U \times U \times U$  be the morphism which maps ((x,y),u) to  $(a_1,a_2,a_3)$  where  $a_i=x$ ,  $a_j=y$  and  $a_k=u$  for  $k \neq i,j$ . Since  $\Delta_U \to U \times U$  factors through R,  $(\pi_1,\pi_2)=(\pi_2,\pi_1)$  and  $r_{12}\times_{(U\times U\times U)}r_{23}$  factors through  $r_{13}$ , we have that  $h_R(T)$  is an equivalence relation on  $h_U(T)$  for all T over S. Then X:=(U,R) is an algebraic space.

We do not check the representability here but give an example. Let  $U \to X$  be the natural morphism given by  $\mathrm{id}_U \in X(U)$ . For any scheme T over  $\mathbb{C}$ , we have

$$(U \times_X U)(T) = \{(f,g) \in h_{U \times U}(T) : \exists \{T_i \to T\} \text{ s.t. } (f_i,g_i) \in h_R(T_i)\} = h_R(T).$$

Hence the fiber product  $h_U \times_X h_U$  is represented by R.

We show that  $X \ncong \mathbb{C}^{\times}$  by computing the the global sections. Consider the covering  $U \to X$ , a section  $s \in \mathcal{O}_X(X)$  is given by a section  $s \in \Gamma(U, \mathcal{O}_U) = \mathbb{C}[t]$  such that  $\pi_1^*s = \pi_2^*s$  in  $\Gamma(R, \mathcal{O}_R)$ . This means that s(x+n) = s(x) for all  $n \in \mathbb{Z}$ . Hence s is a constant function. In particular,  $\mathcal{O}_X(X) = \mathbb{C} \not= \mathbb{C}[t, t^{-1}]$ .

The underlying set |X| is union of the quotient set  $\mathbb{C}/\mathbb{Z}$  and a generic point. The Zariski topology on |X| is the trivial topology.

In following, we will use the technique of *local construction* to construct many scheme-like objects on algebraic spaces. For local construction, see [Knu71]. Roughly speaking, for every étale morphism  $U \to X$  with U a scheme, we construct a scheme-theoretic object on U which is compatible under base change. Then we glue these objects together to get a global object on X.

**Definition 1.23.** Let X be an algebraic space over a base scheme S. A coherent sheaf on X is a sheaf  $\mathcal{F}$  on  $X_{\text{\'et}}$  such that for every covering  $\{U_i \to X\}$  with  $U_i$  schemes, the sheaf  $\mathcal{F}|_{U_i}$  is coherent for every i. It extends to a sheaf on the site  $X_{\text{sp,\'et}}$  uniquely.

An *ideal sheaf* on X is a coherent sheaf  $\mathcal{I} \subset \mathcal{O}_X$ . It defines a closed subspace  $V(\mathcal{I}) \subset X$  by Yang: to be completed. And every closed subspace  $Y \subset X$  is defined by an ideal sheaf  $\mathcal{I}_Y$  such that  $V(\mathcal{I}_Y) = Y$ .

**Definition 1.24.** Let X be an algebraic space over a base scheme S. A line bundle on X is a coherent sheaf  $\mathcal{L}$  on X such that for every covering  $\{U_i \to X\}$  with  $U_i$  schemes, the sheaf  $\mathcal{L}|_{U_i}$  is a line bundle on  $U_i$ . It extends to a sheaf on the site  $X_{\text{sp. \'et}}$  uniquely.

**Theorem 1.25** (ref. [Stacks, Theorem 76.36.4]). Let  $f: X \to Y$  be a proper morphism of algebraic spaces over a base scheme S. Then there exists a factorization

$$X \xrightarrow{f_1} Z \xrightarrow{f_2} Y$$
,

where  $f_1$  has geometrically connected fibers and  $(f_1)_*\mathcal{O}_X = \mathcal{O}_Z$  and  $f_2$  is finite.

**Definition 1.26.** Let X be an algebraic space over a base scheme S and Y a closed subset of |X|. The formal completion of X along Y, denoted by  $\mathfrak{X}$ , is

Its structure sheaf  $\mathcal{O}_{\mathfrak{X}}$  is defined as  $\varprojlim_n \mathcal{O}_X/\mathcal{I}^n$  where  $\mathcal{I}$  is the ideal sheaf of Y in  $\mathcal{O}_X$ . Yang: to be completed.

**Definition 1.27.** Let X be an algebraic space and Y a closed subset of X. A modification of X along Y is a proper morphism  $f: X' \to X$  and a closed subset  $Y' \subset X'$  such that  $X' \setminus Y' \to X \setminus Y$  is an isomorphism and  $f^{-1}(Y) = Y'$ .

**Theorem 1.28** (ref. [Art70, Theorem 3.1]). Let Y' be a closed subset of an algebraic space X' of finite type over  $\mathbb{k}$ . Let  $\mathfrak{X}'$  be the formal completion of X' along Y'. Suppose that there is a formal modification  $\mathfrak{f}: \mathfrak{X}' \to \mathfrak{X}$ . Then there is a unique modification

$$f: X' \to X, Y \subset X$$

such that the formal completion of X along Y is isomorphic to  $\mathfrak{X}$  and the induced morphism  $\mathfrak{X}' \to \mathfrak{X}$  is isomorphic to  $\mathfrak{f}$ .

**Theorem 1.29** (ref. [Art70, Theorem 6.2]). Let  $\mathfrak{X}'$  be a formal algebraic space and  $Y' = V(\mathcal{I}')$  with  $\mathcal{I}'$  the defining ideal sheaf of  $\mathfrak{X}'$ . Let  $f: Y' \to Y$  be a proper morphism. Suppose that

(a) for every coherent sheaf  $\mathcal{F}$  on  $\mathfrak{X}'$ , we have

$$R^1 f_* \mathcal{I}'^n \mathcal{F} / \mathcal{I}'^{n+1} \mathcal{F} = 0, \quad \forall n \gg 0;$$

(b) for every n, the homomorphism

$$f_*(\mathcal{O}_{\mathfrak{X}'}/\mathcal{I}'^n) \bigotimes_{f_*\mathcal{O}_{Y'}} \mathcal{O}_Y \to \mathcal{O}_Y$$

is surjective.

Then there exists a modification  $\mathfrak{f}:\mathfrak{X}'\to\mathfrak{X}$  and a defining ideal sheaf  $\mathcal{I}$  of  $\mathfrak{X}$  such that  $V(\mathcal{I})=Y$  and  $\mathfrak{f}$  induces f on Y.

**Theorem 1.30** (ref. [Art70, Theorem 6.1]). Let Y' be a closed algebraic subspace of an algebraic space X' and  $f_0: Y' \to Y$  a finite morphism. Then there exists a modification  $f: X' \to X$  whose restriction to Y' is  $f_0$ . It is the amalgamated sum  $X = X' \coprod_{Y'} Y$  in the category of algebraic spaces  $\mathbf{AlgSp}$ .

**Example 1.31.** Let  $X = \mathbb{a}^2 = \operatorname{Spec} \mathbb{k}[x, y]$  and Y = V(y) be the x-axis. Let  $f_0 : Y' = \mathbb{a}^1 \to Y, x \mapsto x^2$ . Then there exists a modification  $f : X' \to X$  such that the restriction  $f|_{Y'} : Y' \to Y$  is  $f_0$ . Yang: To be completed.

#### 1.3 A sufficient and necessary condition for EWM

In this and next subsection, we assume that all schemes (algebraic spaces) are of finite type over a field  $\mathbbmss{k}$  with characteristic p > 0.

**Lemma 1.32.** Let  $f: X \to Y$  be a finite morphism of algebraic space which is of finite type over  $\mathbb{R}$ . Suppose that f is a universal homeomorphism. Then there exists  $q = p^n$  such that the relative Frobinius morphism  $\operatorname{Frob}_{X/\mathbb{R}}^n$  factors as

$$\operatorname{Frob}_{X/\Bbbk}^n:X\xrightarrow{f}Y\to X^{(q)}.$$

*Proof.* Yang: I can only prove this for schemes. Suppose that X, Y are affine. Factor it as  $A \twoheadrightarrow B \hookrightarrow C$  with A, B, C k-algebras.

For  $A \to B$ , let I be the kernel of the surjection. Since  $\operatorname{Spec} B \to \operatorname{Spec} A$  is finite universal homeomorphism, we have that I is a nilpotent ideal. Hence there exists q such that  $I^q = 0$ . Let  $a, a' \in A$  with the same image b in B. Then we have  $a^q - a'^q \in I^q = 0$ . Hence  $a^q = a'^q$  in A. This gives a map  $B^q \to A$ ,  $b^q \mapsto a^q$ .

For  $B \hookrightarrow C$ , we induct on the dimension. If C is artinian, then  $0 = C^q \subset B \subset C$ . In general

case, this shows that  $B \cdot C^{q_1} \subset C$  is an isomorphism at generic points. Let  $I := \operatorname{Ann}(B \cdot C^q/B) \subset B$ . This is the conductor of extension  $B \cdot C^{q_1} \subset C$ , whence also an ideal of  $B \cdot C^{q_1}$ . To see this, for every  $x \in B \cdot C^{q_1}$ ,  $b \in I$ , we have  $xbB \cdot C^{q_1} = bB \cdot C^{q_1} \subset B$ . By induction hypothesis, we have  $(BC^{q_1}/I)^{q_2} \subset B/I$ . For  $x \in BC^{q_1}$ , there exists  $b \in B$  and  $\delta \in I \subset B$  such that  $x^{q_2} = b + \delta \in B$ . Hence we have  $(BC^{q_1})^{q_2} \subset B$ . In particular, we have  $C^{q_1q_2} \subset (B \cdot C^{q_1})^{q_2} \subset B$ .

In general case, we have

$$C^{q_1q_2} \longrightarrow A' \longrightarrow C^{q_1} \downarrow \qquad ,$$

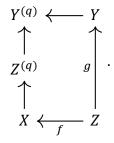
$$A \longrightarrow B \longrightarrow C$$

where A' is the preimage of  $C^{q_1}$  in A. One we have  $C^q \to A \to C$ , note that  $A \to C$  is over k, then it gives

$$C^q \to C^{(q)} \to A \to C.$$

Corollary 1.33. Let  $Z \to X$  be a finite universal homeomorphism of algebraic spaces and  $Z \to Y$  any finite morphism of algebraic spaces. Suppose that X,Y,Z are all of finite type over  $\Bbbk$ . Then the amalgamated sum  $X \coprod_Z Y$  exists in the category of algebraic spaces. Moreover,  $Y \to X \coprod_Z Y$  is a finite universal homeomorphism.

*Proof.* By Lemma 1.32, we have a diagram



Denote  $X \to Y^{(q)}$  by f. Let

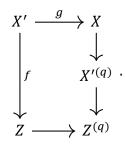
$$\mathcal{A} := \operatorname{Ker}(\mathcal{O}_X \times \mathcal{O}_Y \to \mathcal{O}_Z, \quad (s,t) \mapsto f^*s - g^*t).$$

Then  $\mathcal{A}$  is an  $\mathcal{O}_{Y^{(q)}}$ -algebra. Set  $W := \operatorname{Spec}_{Y^{(q)}} \mathcal{A}$ . Then  $W = X \coprod_Z Y$  is the amalgamated sum in the category of algebraic spaces. Yang: The most important point is that  $Z \to W$  is finite. Yang: At least in the cat of schemes.

**Proposition 1.34.** Let  $g: X' \to X$  be a proper, finite universal homeomorphism between algebraic spaces. Then a line bundle  $\mathcal{L}$  on X is endowed with a map if and only if  $g^*\mathcal{L}$  is endowed with a map.

Proof. Let  $f: X' \to Z$  be the map endowed on  $g^*\mathcal{L}$ . By Lemma 1.32, we have a commutative

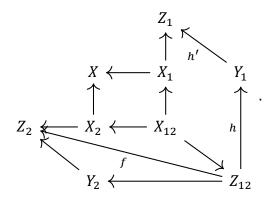
diagram



Easy to check that  $X \to Z^{(q)}$  is a map associated to  $\mathcal{L}$ .

**Proposition 1.35.** Let X be a projective scheme and  $\mathcal{L}$  a nef line bundle on X. Assume that  $X = X_1 \cup X_2$  for closed subsets  $X_1$  and  $X_2$ . Suppose that  $\mathcal{L}|_{X_i}$  is endowed with a fibration  $g_i : X_i \to Z_i$  for i = 1, 2. Then  $\mathcal{L}$  is endowed with a map  $g : X \to Z$ .

*Proof.* Let  $X_{12} := X_1 \cap X_2$ . Let  $X_{12} \to Z_{12}$  be the Stein factorization of the map  $g_1|_{X_{12}}$ . Then by Yang: Rigidity Lemma, it is also the Stein factorization of the map  $g_2|_{X_{12}}$ . Denote  $Y_i$  be the image of  $Z_{12}$  in  $Z_i$  for i = 1, 2. Then we have a commutative diagram



Consider the sub-diagram

$$Z_{1}$$

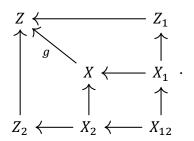
$$h' \uparrow$$

$$Y_{1} \cdot h \uparrow$$

$$Z_{2} \leftarrow Z_{12}$$

Here f is finite, h is finite universal homeomorphism and h' is a closed immersion. By Corollary 1.33, we have the amalgamated sum  $Z' := Y_1 \coprod_{Z_{12}} Z_2$  exists in the category of algebraic spaces. Since f is finite, so is the induced morphism  $Y_1 \to Z'$ . Then by Theorem 1.30, the amalgamated sum  $Z := Z' \coprod_{Y_1} Z_1$  exists in the category of algebraic spaces.

Then we have a commutative diagram



Directly check shows that g is a map associated to  $\mathcal{L}$ .

**Proposition 1.36.** Let X be a projective scheme and D a nef and big divisor on X. Then we can write D = A + E where A is an ample divisor and E is an effective divisor. Then D is endowed with a map iff  $D|_{E_{red}}$  is endowed with a map.

*Proof.* By Proposition 1.34, we may assume that  $D|_E$  is endowed with a map  $f: E \to Z$ . Let  $\mathcal{L} = \mathcal{O}_X(-E)$  be the ideal sheaf of E. note that -E = A - D and D is f-numerically trivial. Hence  $\mathcal{L}|_E$  is f-ample. By Serre's vanishing, for every coherent sheaf  $\mathcal{F}$  on X, there exists  $n_0 \in \mathbb{R}$  such that for all  $n \geq n_0$ , we have

$$R^if_*\mathcal{F}|_E\otimes\mathcal{L}|_E^{\otimes n}=0$$

for all i > 0. In particular, let  $n \in \mathbb{Z}$  such that  $R^i f_* \mathcal{O}_X / \mathcal{L} \otimes \mathcal{L}^{\otimes m} = 0$  for all  $i > 0, m \ge n$ . Set  $\mathcal{I} := \mathcal{L}^{\otimes n}$ . Then by the exact sequence

$$0 \to \mathcal{L}^{n-1} \otimes \mathcal{O}_X/\mathcal{L} \to \mathcal{O}_X/\mathcal{L}^n \to \mathcal{O}_X/\mathcal{L} \to 0$$
,

we have that  $R^i f_*(\mathcal{O}_X/\mathcal{I} \otimes \mathcal{I}^t) = 0$  for all  $i > 0, t \ge 1$ . This implies that  $f_*\mathcal{O}_X/\mathcal{I}^t \to f_*\mathcal{O}_X/\mathcal{I}$  is surjective for all  $t \ge 1$ .

Let

$$\begin{split} \mathcal{A} &:= \mathcal{O}_X \oplus \mathcal{I} T \oplus \mathcal{I}^2 T^2 \oplus \cdots, \\ \mathcal{M} &:= \mathcal{F} \oplus \mathcal{I} \mathcal{F} T \oplus \mathcal{I}^2 \mathcal{F} T^2 \oplus \cdots, \end{split}$$

where T is a formal variable to denote the grading. Then  $\mathcal{A}$  is a graded  $\mathcal{O}_X$ -algebra of finite type and  $\mathcal{M}$  is a finite graded  $\mathcal{A}$ -module. We have an exact sequence of graded  $\mathcal{A}$ -modules

$$0 \to \mathcal{K} \to \mathcal{M} \bigotimes_{\mathcal{A}} \mathcal{I}T \to \mathcal{M} \to 0$$
,

where  $\mathcal{K} = \bigoplus \mathcal{K}_r T^r$  is a finite graded  $\mathcal{A}$ -module. Hence for  $r \gg 1$ , we have that  $\mathcal{I}T \cdot \mathcal{K}_r T^r = \mathcal{K}_{r+1} T^{r+1}$ . It implies that the image of  $\mathcal{K}_{r+1} T^{r+1} \to \mathcal{M}_r T^r \otimes_{\mathcal{A}} \mathcal{I}T$  is contained in  $\mathcal{I}\mathcal{M}_r$  for all  $r \gg 1$ . Tensor with  $\mathcal{A} \otimes_{\mathcal{O}_X} \mathcal{O}_X/\mathcal{I}$ , we have that

$$\mathcal{K}_{r+1} \otimes_{\mathcal{O}_X} \mathcal{O}_X/\mathcal{I} \to 0 \to \mathcal{M}_r \otimes_{\mathcal{O}_X} \mathcal{I} \otimes_{\mathcal{O}_X} \mathcal{O}_X/\mathcal{I} \to \mathcal{M}_{r+1} \otimes_{\mathcal{O}_X} \mathcal{O}_X/\mathcal{I} \to 0.$$

That is,  $\mathcal{I}^r\mathcal{F}/\mathcal{I}^{r+1}\mathcal{F} \otimes_{\mathcal{O}_X/\mathcal{I}} \mathcal{I}/\mathcal{I}^2 \cong \mathcal{I}^{r+1}\mathcal{F}/\mathcal{I}^{r+2}\mathcal{F}$  for all  $r\gg 1$ . Hence we have that

$$R^i f_*(\mathcal{I}^{r-1} \mathcal{F}/\mathcal{I}^r \mathcal{F}) = 0$$

for all  $i > 0, r \gg 1$ .

Let  $E' := V(\mathcal{I})$ , we have that  $D|_{E'}$  is endowed with a map  $f' : E' \to Z'$  by Proposition 1.34. Moreover, we have a commutative diagram

$$E \xrightarrow{f} Z$$

$$\downarrow \qquad \qquad \downarrow g$$

$$E' \xrightarrow{f'} Z'$$

with g finite. Then by Grothendieck Spectral Sequence, we have that

$$R^{i}f_{*}'(\mathcal{I}^{r-1}\mathcal{F}/\mathcal{I}^{r}\mathcal{F}) = 0$$

for all  $i > 0, r \gg 1$ .

Then we can apply Theorems 1.28 and 1.29 to get a modification  $X \to Y$ . Note that  $\operatorname{Exc} D \subset \operatorname{Supp} E$ . It follows that  $X \to Y$  is a map associated to D.

**Theorem 1.37.** Let X be a proper variety and  $\mathcal{L}$  a nef line bundle on X. Then  $\mathcal{L}$  is endowed with a map if and only if  $\mathcal{L}|_{\text{Exc}\mathcal{L}}$  is endowed with a map.

*Proof.* By Proposition 1.35, we can assume that  $\mathcal{L}$  is big. Then the result follows from Proposition 1.36 and induction on dimension.

#### 1.4 For semiample

**Lemma 1.38.** Let X be a projective scheme over  $\mathbb{k} = \overline{\mathbb{F}_p}$ . Then  $\mathcal{L}$  is numerically trivial if and only if  $\mathcal{L}$  is torsion in  $\mathrm{Pic}(X)$ .

*Proof.* Let T be the scheme in Theorem 1.2. Then  $\mathcal{L}$  corresponds to a  $\mathbb{F}_q$ -point of T. Note that there are only finitely many  $\mathbb{F}_q$ -points in T. Hence  $\mathcal{L}$  is torsion in Pic(X).

**Proposition 1.39.** Let  $f: X \to Y$  be a finite universal homeomorphism between algebraic spaces of finite type over  $\mathbb{k}$  and  $\mathcal{L}$  a line bundle on Y. Then there exists  $q = p^n$  such that

- (a) for every section  $s \in H^0(X, f^*\mathcal{L})$ , we have  $s^q \in \text{Im}(H^0(Y, \mathcal{L}^{\otimes q}) \to H^0(X, f^*\mathcal{L}^{\otimes q}))$ ;
- (b)  $\mathcal{L}$  is semiample if and only if  $f^*\mathcal{L}$  is semiample;
- (c) the map

$$f^* : \operatorname{Pic}(Y) \otimes \mathbb{Z}[1/q] \to \operatorname{Pic}(X) \otimes \mathbb{Z}[1/q]$$

is an isomorphism;

(d) if  $f^*s_1 = f^*s_2$  for two sections  $s_1, s_2 \in H^0(Y, \mathcal{L})$ , then  $s_1^q = s_2^q$  in  $H^0(X, \mathcal{L}^{\otimes q})$ .

*Proof.* Note that  $\operatorname{Frob}^* \mathcal{L} \cong \mathcal{L}^{\otimes p}$ . Then all the properties follows from Lemma 1.32.

**Proposition 1.40.** Let X be a projective scheme and  $\mathcal{L}$  a nef line bundle on X. Assume that  $X = X_1 \cup X_2$  for closed subsets  $X_1$  and  $X_2$ . Suppose that  $\mathcal{L}|_{X_i}$  is semiample for i = 1, 2. Then  $\mathcal{L}$  is semiample.

Proof. Yang: To be learned.

**Lemma 1.41.** Let  $f: X \to Y$  be a proper map between algebraic spaces with  $f_*\mathcal{O}_X = \mathcal{O}_Y$  and  $\mathcal{L}$  a line bundle on X. Let  $D = V(\mathcal{I}) \subset X$  be a closed subspace defined by an ideal sheaf  $\mathcal{I}, Z = f(D)$  and  $D_k := V(\mathcal{I}^k)$ . Suppose that f is a modification with respect to D, Z and  $R^1f_*\mathcal{I}^k/\mathcal{I}^{k+1} = 0$  for all

 $k\gg 0$ . Suppose for every k, there exists r>0 such that  $\mathcal{L}^{\otimes r}|_{D_k}$  is pulled back from  $f(D_k)$ . Then  $\mathcal{L}^{\otimes r}$  is pulled back from Y for some r>0.

Proof. Replace D by  $D_k$  and  $\mathcal{L}$  by  $\mathcal{L}^{\otimes r}$  for some k,r>0, we can assume that  $R^1f_*\mathcal{I}^k/\mathcal{I}^{k+1}=0$  for all k and  $\mathcal{L}|_D$  is pulled back from f(D). Then we show that  $f_*\mathcal{L}$  is a line bundle and  $f^*f_*\mathcal{L}\cong\mathcal{L}$ . Both of them are local, so we can assume that  $X=\operatorname{Spec} B,Z=\operatorname{Spec} A$  are spectrum of local rings. Hence  $\mathcal{L}|_{D_k}$  is trivial for all k. By vanishing of  $R^1f_*\mathcal{I}^k/\mathcal{I}^{k+1}$ , we have a surjection  $H^0(D_{k+1},\mathcal{L}|_{D_{k+1}}) \twoheadrightarrow H^0(D_k,\mathcal{L}|_{D_k})$  for all k. This allow us to choose a section  $s_k \in H^0(D_k,\mathcal{L}|_{D_k})$  such that  $s_k = s_{k+1}|_{D_k}$  for all k. Then we have a section  $s \in H^0(D,\mathcal{L}|_D)$  such that  $s_{D_k} = s_k$  for all k. By Nakayama's Lemma, we can assume that  $s_k$  is nowhere vanishing. Yang: To be completed.

**Proposition 1.42.** Let X be a projective scheme and D a nef and big divisor on X. Then we can write D = A + E where A is an ample divisor and E is an effective divisor. Then D is semiample iff  $D|_{E_{red}}$  is semiample.

Proof. Yang: To be completed.

**Theorem 1.43.** Let X be a proper variety and  $\mathcal{L}$  a nef line bundle on X. Then  $\mathcal{L}$  is semiample if and only if  $\mathcal{L}|_{\text{Exc}\mathcal{L}}$  is semiample.

Proof. Yang: To be completed.

#### 1.5 Basepoint free theorem on positive characteristic

**Proposition 1.44** (ref. Yang: ). Let  $T \subset X$  be a reduced Weil divisor on a normal variety X. Let  $T^{\nu} \to T$  be the normalization,  $C \subset T^{\nu}$  the effective Weil divisor defined by the conductor and  $p: T^{\nu} \to T \hookrightarrow X$  the composition. Suppose that  $K_X + T$  is  $\mathbb{Q}$ -Cartier. Then there exists an effective  $\mathbb{Q}$ -Weil divisor D on  $T^{\nu}$  such that

$$K_{T^{\nu}}+C+D=p^{*}(K_{X}+T).$$

**Theorem 1.45.** Let X be a normal projective  $\mathbb{Q}$ -factorial threefold and  $B \in (0,1)$  a  $\mathbb{Q}$ -divisor. Let  $\mathcal{L}$  be a nef and big line bundle on X such that  $\mathcal{L} - K_{(X,B)}$  is nef and big. Then  $\mathcal{L}$  is endowed with a map. Moreover, if  $\mathbb{k} = \overline{\mathbb{F}_p}$ ,  $\mathcal{L}$  is semiample.

*Proof.* Let  $\mathcal{L} = \mathcal{O}_X(A+E)$  with A an ample divisor and E an effective divisor. Write  $E = E_0 + E_1 + E_2$  such that the restriction of  $\mathcal{L}$  to every irreducible component of  $E_i$  is of numerical dimension i. Let  $S := \operatorname{Supp} E_1$  and  $S = \sum S_i$  with  $S_i$  irreducible components. Let  $S^{\nu} \to S$  and  $S_i^{\nu} \to S_i$  be the normalizations.

**Step 1.** Reduce to show that  $\mathcal{L}|_{\mathcal{S}}$  is endowed with a map (semiample).

Yang: To be completed.

**Step 2.** Reduce to show that  $\mathcal{L}|_{S_i^{\nu}}$  is endowed with a map (semiample).

Yang: To be completed.

**Step 3.** Show that  $\mathcal{L}|_{S_i^{\gamma}}$  is endowed with a map (semiample).

Yang: To be completed.

### 2 lifting + stable sections

#### 2.1 + stable sections

**Definition 2.1.**  $\mathfrak{I}, \mathcal{L}, \text{Frac Im are defined as}$ 

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