

# Residual categories of quadric surface bundles

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**Def:**  $T$  triangulated cat

$T = \langle A_1, \dots, A_n \rangle$  is a semiorthogonal decomposition (by full triang subcat  $A_i$ ) if

$$(1) \quad \text{Hom}_T(A_j, A_i) = 0 \quad \forall j > i$$

$$(2) \quad \forall t \in \text{Obj } T \quad \exists \text{ filtration } 0 = t_n \rightarrow t_{n-1} \rightarrow \dots \rightarrow t_0 = t$$

$$\text{s.t. } \text{cone}(t_i \rightarrow t_{i-1}) \in A_i.$$

**Convention:**  $X$  scheme  $D^b(X) := D^b(\text{Coh } X)$   
 $R$  alg  $D^b(R) := D^b(\text{mod-}R)$   
finitely gen right mod

For a flat family of Fano varieties  $p: X \rightarrow S$   
(can be singular)

$$\text{with } W_{X/S}^{-1} = \mathcal{O}_{X/S}(n)$$

$$\exists \text{ SOD } D^b(X) = \langle R_X, p^* D^b(S) \otimes \mathcal{O}_{X/S}(1), \dots, p^* D^b(S) \otimes \mathcal{O}_{X/S}(n) \rangle$$

where

$$R_X = \left\{ t \in D^b(X) \mid \text{Hom}_{D^b(X)}(p^* D^b(S) \otimes \mathcal{O}_{X/S}(i), t) = 0 \quad \forall 1 \leq i \leq n \right\}$$

**Def:**  $R_X$  is called the residual cat (or Kuznetsov component) of  $X$ .

## I. Quadric hypersurfaces

$\mathbb{R}$  field  $k = \overline{k}$  char  $k = 0$

$Q = Q^n$  quadric of dim  $n$  over  $k$ .

① (Kapranov)  $Q$  smooth

$$R_Q \cong \begin{cases} \langle T_1, T_2 \rangle \cong D^b(k \times k) & n \text{ even} \\ \langle T \rangle \cong D^b(k) & n \text{ odd} \end{cases}$$

where  $T_1, T_2, T$  are spinor bundles on  $Q$ .

$$\text{eg. } n=2 \quad Q \cong \mathbb{P}^1 \times \mathbb{P}^1, \quad \{T_1, T_2\} = \{O(1,0), O(0,1)\}$$

② Corank 1 =  $Q$  is a cone over smooth quadric  
(i.e. vertex is nodal)

$$R_Q \cong \begin{cases} \langle \text{spinor sheaf} \rangle \cong D^b(\frac{k[\varepsilon]}{\varepsilon^2}) & n \text{ even} \\ D^b_{\mathbb{Z}/2\mathbb{Z}}(\frac{k[\varepsilon]}{\varepsilon^2}) \cong D^b(R) & n \text{ odd} \end{cases}$$

where  $R$  is a quaternion alg.

③ [Kuz] [ABB]

$$\text{In general, } R_Q \cong D^b(\text{Cliff}_0)$$

where  $\text{Cliff}_0$  is the even Clifford alg of  $Q$ .

(Xie)  $n=2$  corank 2 i.e.  $G \cong \mathbb{P}^2 \cup_{\mathbb{P}^1} \mathbb{P}^2$



$R_\alpha \cong D^b(Y)$  where

$(Y, \mathcal{O}_Y)$  is a dg scheme

- $\mathcal{O}_Y$  concentrated in deg  $-1, 0$
- underlying scheme  $\pi_0 Y \cong \mathbb{P}^1$ .

## II Quadric surface bundles

### 1. Set up and main results

$k$  field char  $k \neq 2$

$S$  = integral noetherian scheme over  $k$

$E$  vb,  $L$  lb on  $S$

Def:  $q: E \rightarrow L$  is a (line bundle valued) quadratic form

on  $S$  if  $q$  is  $\mathcal{O}_S$ -homo of deg 2 s.t.

$b_q: E \times E \rightarrow L$  defined by  $\text{Sym}^2 E \rightarrow L$

$b_q(v, w) = q(v+w) - q(v) - q(w)$  is symmetric bilinear.

$q: E \rightarrow L$  corr to

dual  
↓

$q \in \Gamma(\mathbb{P}_S(E), \mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}_S(E)/S}^{(2)} \otimes \pi^* L) \cong \Gamma(S, \text{Sym}^2(E^\vee) \otimes L)$

$\pi: \mathbb{P}_S(E) \rightarrow S$

**Def:** Assume  $q \neq 0$ . Let  $\mathcal{Q} = \{q=0\} \subset \mathbb{P}_S(E)$ .

$p: \mathcal{Q} \rightarrow S$  is called a quadric bundle.

**Def:**  $q: E \rightarrow \mathbb{L}$  is called primitive if  $\forall s \in S$

$$q_s := q \otimes_{\mathbb{K}} k(s) \neq 0$$

Then  $p: \mathcal{Q} \rightarrow S$  is flat  $\Leftrightarrow q: E \rightarrow \mathbb{L}$  is primitive.

Denote by  $S_l = \{s \in S \mid \text{corank } q_s \geq l\} \quad l \in \mathbb{N}$

$$S = S_0 \supset S_1 \supset S_2 \dots$$

$\nwarrow$  locus of singular fibers

char=0 any char

**Theorem** (Kuz, ABB) even Clifford alg of  $p$ .

$$p: \mathcal{Q} \rightarrow S \text{ flat} \Rightarrow R_{\mathcal{Q}} \cong D^b(S, \text{Cliffo})$$

bounded derived cat of coh sheaves on  $S$  with right  
Cliffo-mod structures.

In general,  $R_{\mathcal{Q}}$  is noncommutative

**Goal:** When is  $R_{\mathcal{Q}}$  geometric?

That is,  $R_{\mathcal{Q}} \cong D^b(\mathcal{Z}, A)$  where

•  $\mathcal{Z}$  scheme over  $S$

•  $A$  Azumaya alg on  $\mathcal{Z}$

Known (Kuz, ABB)

If  $p: \mathcal{Q} \rightarrow S$  has simple degeneration (each fiber has corank  $\leq 1$ ) and relative dim is even, then

$$R_{\mathcal{Q}} \cong D^b(\tilde{S}, A) \text{ where } \begin{matrix} \downarrow \text{Azumaya} \\ \tilde{S} \end{matrix}$$

$\tilde{S} \rightarrow S$  is the double cover ramified along  $S_1$ .

My expectation:

When relative dim of  $p: \mathcal{Q} \rightarrow S$  is even and

$S_2 \neq S$ ,  $S_3 = \emptyset$ ,  $R_{\mathcal{Q}}$  is geometric.

Now we focus on  $p: \mathcal{Q} \rightarrow S$  flat quadric surf bundle

Main Results.

$p: \mathcal{Q} \rightarrow S$  flat quadric surf bundle.

$R_{\mathcal{Q}}$  is geometric when

①  $S_2 \neq S$  and  $p$  has a smooth section (consists of smooth points of fibers). In this case, twist is trivial.

②  $k = \bar{k}$ ,  $\text{char } k = 0$ ,  $\mathcal{Q}$  smooth,  $S$  smooth surf

### Remarks:

(1) In both cases  $S_3 = \emptyset$ , i.e., fibers have corank  $\leq 2$

(2) For any flat quadric surf bundle  $p: Q \rightarrow S$  with

$S_3 = \emptyset$ , étale locally  $p$  has a smooth section.

$\Rightarrow$  It's possible to generalise (1) to any

$p: Q \rightarrow S$  with  $S_2 \neq S$  and  $S_3 = \emptyset$ .

(3) Proof of (2) is geometric but can't be generalised.

Main Ideas: make use of

- hyperbolic reduction  $q = \begin{pmatrix} (0!) & 0 \\ 0 & \bar{q} \end{pmatrix} \quad \begin{pmatrix} (0 \ I_m) \\ (I_m 0) \end{pmatrix} \quad 0 \\ 0 \quad \bar{q} \end{pmatrix}$
- relative Hilbert scheme of lines

Let  $p: Q \rightarrow S$  be a flat quadric surface bundle.

### Theorem 1 (-)

$S_2 \neq S$ ,  $p: Q \rightarrow S$  has a smooth section

$\Rightarrow R_Q \cong D^b(\bar{Q})$  where  $\bar{Q}$  is the hyperbolic reduction wrt  
the smooth section.

### Theorem 2 (-)

$k = \bar{k}$ , char  $k = 0$ ,  $Q$  smooth,  $S$  smooth surf

$\Rightarrow R_Q \cong D^b(S^+, A^+)$  where  
 $S_2 \subset \downarrow S$

$S^+ = Bl_{S_2} \tilde{S}$  = resolution of the double cover  $\tilde{S}$  over

$S$  ramified along  $S_1$  ( $\tilde{S}$  is nodal along  $S_2 \subset \tilde{S}$ )

and  $A^+$  is Azumaya on  $S^+$ .

Moreover,  $[A^+] \in Br(S^+)$  is trivial  $\Leftrightarrow p: Q \rightarrow S$  has  
a rational section.

Example:  $Q = \{xy + tz - w = 0\} \subset \mathbb{P}^3 \times \mathbb{A}^1 \xrightarrow{x, y, z, w, t} \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \\ 0 & t \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$

$p: Q \rightarrow \mathbb{A}^1$   $Q_0 :=$  fiber over  $0 \in \mathbb{A}^1$  has corank 2.

Smooth section =  $\{y = z = w = 0\}$  (or  $\{x = z = w = 0\}$ )

Hyperbolic reduction  $\bar{Q} = \{t \neq 0\} \subset \mathbb{P}^1 \times \mathbb{A}^1$

Theorem 1  $\Rightarrow$  residual category  $R_Q \cong D^b(\bar{Q})$

$\bar{Q} \rightarrow \mathbb{A}^1$   
non-flat

Base change  $\Rightarrow R_{Q_0} \cong D^b(\bar{Q} \underset{\mathbb{A}^1}{\times} \{0\})$   $\Upsilon := \bar{Q} \underset{\mathbb{A}^1}{\times} \{0\}$

$$(\{0\}, \mathcal{O}_{\{0\}}) \cong (\mathbb{A}^1, \mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{A}^1} \xrightarrow[\deg -1]{t} \mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{A}^1})$$

$$\Upsilon \cong \bar{Q} \underset{\mathbb{A}^1}{\times} (\mathbb{A}^1, \mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{A}^1} \xrightarrow{t} \mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{A}^1}) \cong (\bar{Q}, \mathcal{O}_{\bar{Q}} \xrightarrow{t} \mathcal{O}_{\bar{Q}})$$

$$\mathcal{H}^0(\mathcal{O}_{\bar{Q}} \xrightarrow{t} \mathcal{O}_{\bar{Q}}) \cong \mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}^1} \quad \mathcal{H}^1(\mathcal{O}_{\bar{Q}} \xrightarrow{t} \mathcal{O}_{\bar{Q}}) = 0$$

## Q. Ideas for the proofs of Theorem 1

Two proofs: one easy, one harder

harder proof describes the embedding functor

$R_{\mathcal{L}} \hookrightarrow D^b(\mathcal{L})$  explicitly.

$$q: E \rightarrow L \quad p: \mathcal{L} \rightarrow S$$

Def:  $W \subseteq E$  subbundle

•  $W$  is isotropic if  $q|_W = 0$  ( $\Leftrightarrow P_S(W) \subset \mathcal{L}$ )

•  $W$  is regular isotropic if moreover  $\forall s \in S$

$P_S(W) \cap Q_s := (\mathcal{L} \times k(s))_S$  is contained in the smooth

locus of  $\mathcal{L}_s$ .

(smooth section  $\hookrightarrow$  regular isotropic (b))

$W$  regular isotropic

$$\begin{array}{ccc} 0 \rightarrow W^\perp \rightarrow E & \xrightarrow{b_E|_{W^\perp \times E}} & \text{Hom}(W, L) \rightarrow 0 \\ v & \mapsto & b_E(-, v) \end{array}$$

$W$  regular

$$q|_W = 0 \Rightarrow W \subset W^\perp$$

$$b_E(W, W^\perp) = 0 \Rightarrow q|_{W^\perp}: W^\perp \rightarrow L \text{ induces}$$

$$\text{a new quadratic form } \bar{q}: W^\perp/W \rightarrow L$$

$S = \text{Spec } \bar{k}$

Def: Denote  $\bar{\mathcal{E}} = \mathcal{W}^\perp/\mathcal{W}$

$\Rightarrow b\bar{q}$

$\bar{g}: \bar{\mathcal{E}} \rightarrow \mathcal{L} \quad (\bar{\mathcal{Q}} = \{\bar{q}=0\} \subseteq \mathbb{P}_S(\bar{\mathcal{E}}))$  is the hyperbolic

$$= \begin{pmatrix} 0 & I & 0 \\ I & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & b\bar{q} \end{pmatrix}$$

reduction of  $g: \mathcal{E} \rightarrow \mathcal{L} \quad (\mathcal{Q} = \{q=0\} \subseteq \mathbb{P}_S(\mathcal{E}))$

wrt regular isotropic  $\mathcal{W}$ .

$$\mathbb{P}_S(\mathcal{W}) \subset \mathcal{Q} \dashrightarrow \mathbb{P}_S(\mathcal{E}/\mathcal{W}) \supset \bar{\mathcal{Q}} = \{\bar{q}=0\}$$

$f \swarrow \mathcal{Q}' \cong \text{BL}_{\mathbb{P}_S(\mathcal{W})} \mathcal{Q} \quad \searrow g$

where  $g$  has fiber  $\mathbb{P}^{r-1}$  over  $\bar{\mathcal{Q}}$  ( $r = \text{rank } \mathcal{W}$ )

$\mathbb{P}^{r-1}$  over its complement.

If  $\text{rank } \mathcal{W} = 1$ ,  $\mathcal{Q}' \cong \text{BL}_{\bar{\mathcal{Q}}} \mathbb{P}_S(\mathcal{E}/\mathcal{W})$  i.e.,

$$\mathbb{P}_S(\mathcal{W}) \subset \mathcal{Q} \dashrightarrow \mathbb{P}_S(\mathcal{E}/\mathcal{W}) \supset \bar{\mathcal{Q}} = \{\bar{q}=0\}$$

$f \swarrow \mathcal{Q}' \cong \text{BL}_{\mathbb{P}_S(\mathcal{W})} \mathcal{Q} \cong \text{BL}_{\bar{\mathcal{Q}}} \mathbb{P}_S(\mathcal{E}/\mathcal{W}) \quad \searrow g$

### Proofs of Theorem 1 :

$p: \bar{Q} \rightarrow S$  flat quadric surface bundle

$S_2 \not\subseteq S$ ,  $p$  has a smooth section  $P_S(w)$

#### Proof 1 (easy):

[Jiang 21] Blow-up formula

In the setting of Theorem 1 ( $S_2 \not\subseteq S$  + smooth section)

$$\Rightarrow D^b(Q') = \langle D^b(\bar{Q}), D^b(S) \otimes \mathcal{O}_E \rangle \quad E \text{ exc locus of } f.$$

$$= \langle D^b(\bar{Q}), D^b(P_S(w)) \rangle$$

$$\text{Mutations} \Rightarrow R_Q \cong D^b(\bar{Q})$$

Note  $\bar{p}: \bar{Q} \rightarrow S$  is not flat!

- $\bar{p}^{-1}(S \setminus S_2) \rightarrow S \setminus S_2$  double cover ramified along  $S_1 \setminus S_2$
- $\bar{q}|_{S_2} = 0 \Rightarrow \bar{p}^{-1}(S_2) = P_{S_2}(\bar{E}|_{S_2})$  is a  $\mathbb{P}^1$ -bundle.

### III. Examples (Applications of Main Theorems)

Example 1 (Xie)

$X$  quintic del Pezzo 3-folds (terminal Gorenstein Fano 3-folds  
of index 2 and degree 5)

$X$  nodal and number of nodes  $\leq 3$

Let  $a \in X$  be a node.

$X \subset \mathbb{P}^6$  embedded projective tangent space  $T_a X \cong \mathbb{P}^4$

Consider linear projection  $X \dashrightarrow \mathbb{P}^1$  from  $T_a X$

$f: Y \cong \text{BL}_{T_a X \cap X} X \rightarrow X$  resolution at  $a$

exceptional locus  $E \cong \mathbb{P}^1$

$g: Y \rightarrow \mathbb{P}^1$  flat quadric surface bundle with  
a smooth section  $E$

$X$  has 1 or 2 nodes  $\Rightarrow Y \rightarrow \mathbb{P}^1$  has fibers of corank 1

$X$  has 3 nodes  $\Rightarrow Y \rightarrow \mathbb{P}^1$  has a fiber of corank 2

Theorem 1  $\Rightarrow$  residual cat  $R_Y \cong \mathbb{P}^b$  (hyperbolic reduction)

Example 2 (Moschetti + Kuznetsov)

$X \subset \mathbb{P}^5$  smooth cubic 4-fold containing a plane  $\Sigma = \mathbb{P}^2$

$$\begin{array}{ccc} Y = \text{Bl}_\Sigma X & & \\ f \swarrow & & \downarrow g \\ \Sigma \subset X & \dashrightarrow & \mathbb{P}^2 \\ & \text{projection from } \Sigma & \end{array}$$

$g$  is a flat quadric surf bundle with possibly a finite number of corank 2 fibers.

$$R_X \cong R_Y \underset{\text{Theorem}}{\cong} D^b(\text{smooth K3 surf, } A)$$

Example 3

$X = Q_1 \cap Q_2 \cap Q_3$  smooth c.i.

where  $Q_i \subseteq \mathbb{P}^{2m+3}$  quadrics ( $\Rightarrow \dim X = 2m$ )

net of quadrics  $\Rightarrow$

$p: Q \rightarrow \mathbb{P}^2$  flat quadric bundle of relative dim  $2m+2$

Homological Projective Duality

$\Rightarrow$  Residual categories  $R_X \cong R_Q$

Prop: Assume  $m \leq 5$ .

$$R_X \simeq D^b(S^{2m}, A^{2m}) \quad \leftarrow \text{Azumaya}$$

where  $S^{2m} \rightarrow \mathbb{P}^2$  is the resolution of the double cover over  $\mathbb{P}^2$  ramified along a nodal curve of deg  $2m+4$ .

Moreover, if  $m \geq 3$ , then  $X$  is rational

if  $m=2$  and  $D = [A^4] \in \text{Br}(S^4)$ , then  $X$  is rational.

Idea:

$X = Q_1 \cap Q_2 \cap Q_3$  net of quadrics  $\Rightarrow$

$p: Q \rightarrow \mathbb{P}^2$  flat quadric bundle of relative dim  $2m+2$

For  $m \leq 5$ ,  $\exists \Sigma_m = \mathbb{P}^{m-1} \subset X$

$\Rightarrow \Sigma_m \times \mathbb{P}^2 \subset Q$  corr to regular isotropic subbundle

hyperbolic reduction

$\Rightarrow \bar{p}: \bar{Q} \rightarrow \mathbb{P}^2$  flat quadric surf bundle

with  $\bar{Q}$  smooth

□