Asymptotic Syzygies in the Semi-Ample Setting

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Background

- Asymptotic syzygies is the study of the graded Betti numbers of a variety as the positivity of the embedding grows.
- Let X be a smooth projective variety and $\{L_d\}$ be a sequence of (very ample) line bundles

$$X \hookrightarrow \mathbb{P}H^0(L_d) \cong \mathbb{P}^{r_d}.$$

• To this we associate the homogenous coordinate ring of *X*:

$$S(X, L_d) = \bigoplus_{k \in \mathbb{Z}} H^0(X, kL_d).$$

• The **minimal graded free resolution** of $S(X, L_d)$ as a graded S-module has the form:

$$S(X,L_d) \longleftarrow F_0 \longleftarrow F_1 \longleftarrow \cdots \longleftarrow F_{r_d} \longleftarrow 0,$$

and the **graded Betti numbers** of *X* are

$$\beta_{p,q}(X,d) = \# \begin{cases} \text{minimal generators} \\ \text{of } F_p \text{ of degree } q \end{cases} = \frac{\text{number of syzygies}}{\text{of degree } q \text{ at step } p}.$$

- We form the **graded Betti table** of X, denoted $\beta(X, L_d)$, by placing $\beta_{p,p+q}(X, L_d)$ in the (p,q)-th spot. **Example Seven Points in** \mathbb{P}^3
- If $X \subset \mathbb{P}^3$ is 7 points in general linear position. There are two possible minimal free resolutions of:

$$0 \longleftarrow S \longleftarrow \overset{S(-2)^3}{\oplus} \longleftarrow S(-4)^6 \longleftarrow S(-5)^3$$

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• These resolutions correspond to the following Betti tables:

Asymptotic Non-vanishing

• We are interested in how many of the graded Betti numbers in each row are non-zero, and so define

$$\rho_{q}(X, L_{d}) := \frac{\#\{p \in \mathbb{N} | | \beta_{p,p+q}(X, L_{d}) \neq 0\}}{r_{d}}$$

$$= \frac{\text{percent of non-zero entries}}{\text{in the } q\text{-row of } \beta(X, L_{d})}.$$

• Notice that $\rho_a(X, L_d)$ is between 0 and 1.

Goal. Understand the asymptotic behavior of $\rho_q(X, L_d)$ under varying positivity conditions on the line bundles $\{L_d\}$.

• For curves asymptotically the syzygies occur in the simplest possible way.

Theorem (Green). If dim
$$X = 1$$
 and $\deg L_d = d$ then

$$\lim_{d\to\infty} \rho_2(X, L_d) = 0.$$

• For higher dimensional varieties the syzygies behave in a more complicated fashion.

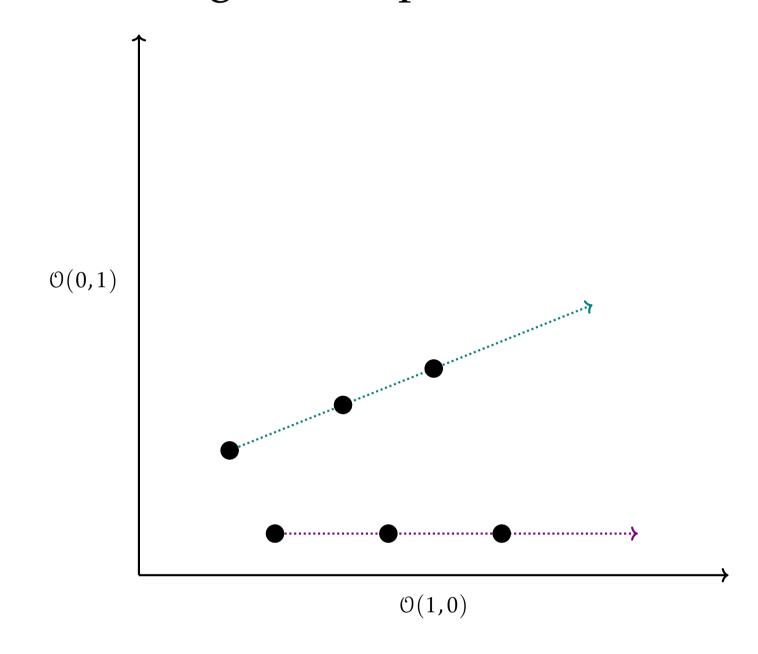
Theorem (Ein & Lazarsfeld). Let dim $X \ge 2$ and fix an index $1 \le q \le n$. If $L_{d+1} - L_d$ is constant and ample then

$$\lim_{d\to\infty} \rho_q(X, L_d) = 1.$$

Theorem (Juliette Bruce). Let $X = \mathbb{P}^n \times \mathbb{P}^m$ and fix an index $1 \le q \le n + m$. There exists constants $C_{i,j}$ and $D_{i,j}$ such that

$$\rho_q\left(X,\mathcal{O}\left(d_1,d_2\right)\right) \geq 1 - \sum_{\substack{i+j=q\\0\leq i\leq m\\0\leq j\leq m}} \left(\frac{C_{i,j}}{d_1^i d_2^j} + \frac{D_{i,j}}{d_1^{n-i} d_2^{m-j}}\right) - O\left(\begin{matrix} \text{lower ord.}\\ \text{terms} \end{matrix}\right).$$

- My results generalizes Ein & Lazarsfeld's by weakening the positivity condition to include semi-ample bundles.
- A line bundle L is **semi-ample** if there exists a $k \gg 0$ such that |kL| defines a regular map to \mathbb{P}^N for some N.



• The asymptotic behavior in my theorem is dependent, in a nuanced way, on the relationship between d_1 and d_2 .

Corollary (Juliette Bruce). Let $X = \mathbb{P}^n \times \mathbb{P}^m$ and fix an index $1 \le q \le n + m$. If d_2 is fixed then

$$\lim_{d_1 \to \infty} \rho_q(X, \mathcal{O}(d_1, d_2)) \ge 1 - \frac{m!}{(m-q)!d_2^q} - \frac{m!}{(n-q)!d_2^{n+m-q}}.$$

Example - $\mathbb{P}^1 \times \mathbb{P}^5$

• When q = 2 my theorem says that the percent of non-zero syzygies is given by:

$$\rho_2\Big(\mathbb{P}^1\times\mathbb{P}^5, \mathcal{O}\left(d_1,d_2\right)\Big) \geq 1 - \frac{20}{d_2^2} - \frac{60}{d_1d_2^3} - \frac{5}{d_1d_2} - \frac{120}{d_2^4} - O\left(\frac{\text{lower}}{\text{ord.}}\right).$$

• In particular, if d_2 is fixed then we get

$$\lim_{d_1 \to \infty} \rho_2 \Big(\mathbb{P}^1 \times \mathbb{P}^5, \mathcal{O}(d_1, d_2) \Big) \ge 1 - \frac{20}{d_2^2} - \frac{120}{d_2^4}.$$

• We do not believe this limit approaches one.

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