

Introduction to K-stability @ Nankai by Yuchen Liu.

Lecture 4. K-moduli theory II.

• Recall. Boundedness: Fix  $n = \dim X$ ,  $V = (-K_X)^n$

Then  $\{X \text{ } \mathbb{Q}$ -Fano variety,  $K$ -semistable $\}$  form  
a bounded collection.

In other words,  $\exists m = m(n, V)$  s.t.

$| -mK_X | : X \hookrightarrow \mathbb{P}^N$ ,  $N$  has an upper bound  
 $\uparrow$  very ample.

Openness: In a  $\mathbb{Q}$ -Gorenstein family  $\mathcal{X} \rightarrow T$   
of  $\mathbb{Q}$ -Fano varieties,

$\{t \in T \mid \mathcal{X}_t \text{ is } K\text{-semistable}\} \subseteq T$  is Zariski open.

Boundedness + Openness  $\Rightarrow \exists$   $K$ -moduli stack  $\underline{\mathcal{M}}_{n,V}^{K_{ss}}$

parameterize  $K$ -semistable  $\mathbb{Q}$ -Fano varieties  $X$

with  $\dim X = n$  &  $(-K_X)^n = V$ .

$\underline{\mathcal{M}}_{n,V}^{K_{ss}}$  is an Artin stack of finite type  
(in fact, it is a quotient stack)

In order to construct  $K$ -moduli space, we need 3 more steps.

- Separateness (Hausdorff)
  - Properness (Compactness)
  - Projectivity.
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Exmoduli of curves  $\overline{M}_g$  ( $g \geq 2$ ): stack  $\overline{\mathcal{M}}_g$  is separated

Deligne-Mumford stack. Every object has finite stabilizer

(finite Automorphisms)  
 $C$  smooth  $G$

$$|\text{Aut}(C)| \leq 84(g-1).$$

Hurwitz bound.

$C/G$  orbifold.  
of general type.

For  $K$ -model: of Fano varieties,  $\text{Aut}$  could be infinite.

Ex. •  $\mathbb{P}^n$  is  $K$ -polystable.

$$\text{Aut}(\mathbb{P}^n) = \text{PGL}(n+1)$$

• cubic surfaces, every smooth cubic surface is  $K$ -stable.

$\exists$  singular cubic surface  $X_0 = \{xyz + w^3 = 0\} \subseteq \mathbb{P}^3$   
which is  $K$ -polystable.

$\mathcal{X} \rightarrow \mathbb{T}$ ,  $\mathcal{X}_t$  smooth cubic surface ( $t \neq 0$ )  
 $X_0 \mapsto 0$   $X_0$  singular cubic surface as above.

$\text{Aut}(\mathcal{X}_t)$  is finite,  $\text{Aut}(X_0) \cong (\mathbb{C}^*)^2$ . infinite.

• Mukai-Umemura 3-fold. (smooth)

$\text{Aut}^0(X_{\text{Mu}}) \cong \text{PGL}(2)$ .  $X_{\text{Mu}}$  is  $K$ -polystable ( $\exists KE$ )

$\exists$  smoothing  $(X_t)$  of  $X_{\text{Mu}} = X_0$  s.t.  $\text{Aut}(X_t)$  is finite.  
for  $t \neq 0$ .

[Tian'97]  $\exists$  smoothing s.t.  $X_t$  is  $K$ -semistable  
not  $K$ -polystable.

$X_t$  doesn't admit  $KE$ , &  $\text{Aut}(X_t)$  is finite.

In dim 2,  $X$  smooth +  $\text{Aut}(X)$  finite  $\Rightarrow X$  admits  $KE$ .

Consider the affine GIT :

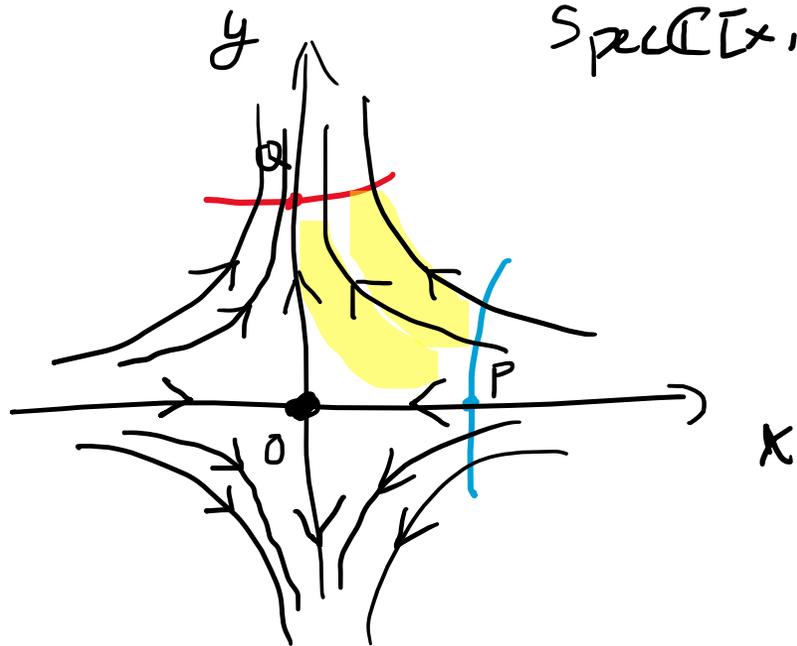
$$xy \mapsto (tx)(t^{-1}y) = xy.$$

Ex.  $\mathbb{C}^* \curvearrowright \mathbb{C}^2$   
 $\parallel$   
 $\text{Spec} \mathbb{C}[x, y]$

by  $t \cdot (x, y) = (tx, t^{-1}y)$ .

two pts  $P, Q \in \mathbb{C}^2$  are

IS-equivalent if  $\overline{O_P} \cap \overline{O_Q} \neq \emptyset$ .



In this picture,  $O_P = \mathbb{C}_x \setminus \{0\}$

$O_Q = \mathbb{C}_y \setminus \{0\}$ .

$\overline{O_P} \cap \overline{O_Q} = \{0\}$ .

GIT quotient

$$\mathbb{C}^2 // \mathbb{C}^* = \text{Spec} \mathbb{C}[x, y]^{\mathbb{C}^*} = \text{Spec} \mathbb{C}[xy] \cong \mathbb{C}.$$

$\pi: \mathbb{C}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{C}^2 // \mathbb{C}^* \cong \mathbb{C}$  is given by  $\pi(x, y) = xy$ .

$\pi(P) = \pi(Q) \iff P$  and  $Q$  are  $S$ -equivalent.

If  $z \in \mathbb{C}^2 // \mathbb{C}^*$  is non-zero,

$$\begin{aligned}\pi^{-1}(z) &= \{ (x, y) \in \mathbb{C}^2 \mid xy = z \} \\ &= \text{single orbit} = O_{(z, 1)}.\end{aligned}$$

If  $z = 0$ ,  $\pi^{-1}(0) = \{ (x, y) \in \mathbb{C}^2 \mid xy = 0 \}$

$$= O_{(1, 0)} \sqcup O_{(0, 1)} \sqcup O_{(0, 0)}.$$

$O_{(0, 0)}$ : minimal orbit  
*polystable*  
 $\updownarrow$

$\hookrightarrow$  orbits here are  $S$ -equivalent.

Affine GIT

$X = \text{Spec } R$ ,  $G$  reductive gp.

$G \curvearrowright X$ .

$X // G = \text{Spec } R^G \longleftarrow$  finitely generated

$\pi: X \rightarrow X // G$ .

$P, Q \in X$ .

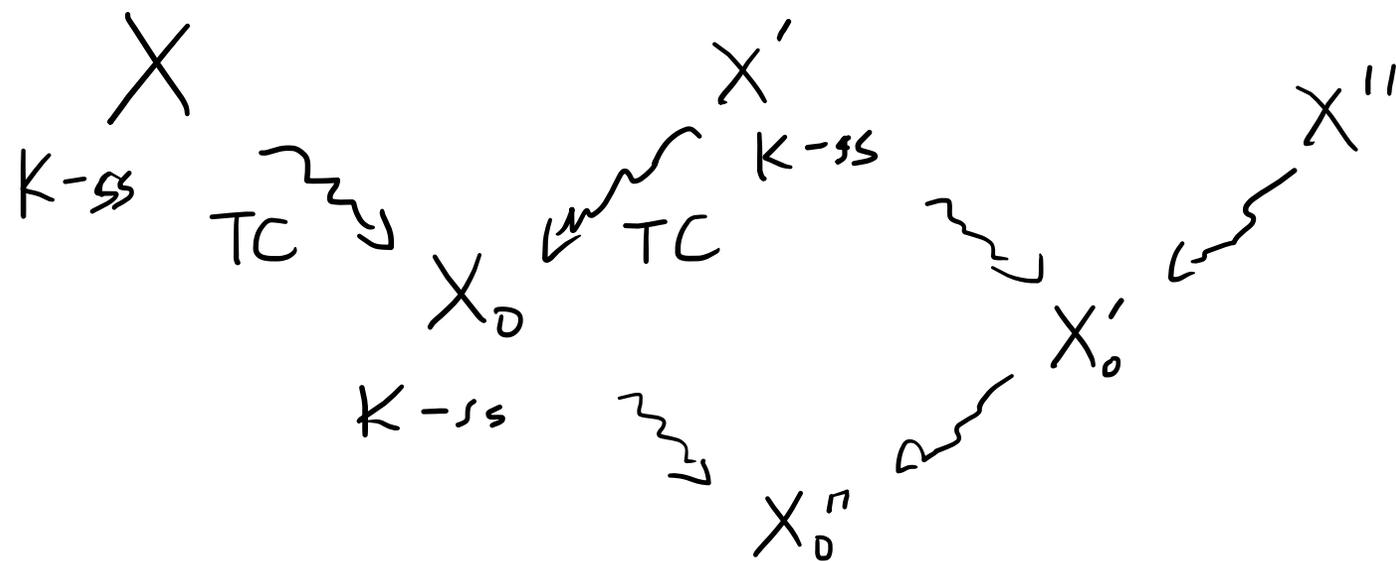
$\pi(P) = \pi(Q) \iff P$  and  $Q$  are  $S$ -equivalent.

In every  $S$ -equiv. class,  $\exists!$  minimal orbit.

Def.  $X, X'$  : 2  $K$ -ss  $\mathbb{Q}$ -Fano var.

We say  $X$  and  $X'$  are  $S$ -equivalent

if they admit a common  $K$ -semistable degeneration



Thm (Li-Wang-Xu '18 arxiv, '21 published).

- $S$ -equiv is an equivalence relation for  $K$ -ss Fano.
- In each  $S$ -equiv class,  $\exists!$   $K$ -polystable Fano.

Thm (Blum - Xu '18 arxiv, '19 published) [Uniqueness of  $K$ -polystable degeneration].

Suppose  $X^\circ \rightarrow B^\circ$  is a family of  $K$ -ss

$\mathbb{Q}$ -Fano over a punctured curve  $B^\circ = B \setminus \{0\}$ .

Suppose we have two (filling) extensions  $X \rightarrow B$ ,  $X' \rightarrow B$

s.t.  $X_0, X'_0$  are  $K$ -ss. Then  $X_0$  &  $X'_0$  are  $S$ -equivalent.

In particular, if  $X_0, X_0'$  are  $K$ -polystable,

then  $X_0 \cong X_0'$ .

and Alper-Halpern-Leichtner-Heiweh

Later, ABHX shows that, based the above results,  
 $\exists$  separated algebraic space  $M_{n,V}^{Kps}$   $\leftarrow$   $K$ -moduli space  
parametrize

$K$ -polystable  $\mathbb{Q}$ -Fano  $X$  with  $\dim X = n, (-K_X)^n = V$ .

Moreover,  $\exists$   $M_{n,V}^{Kss} \rightarrow M_{n,V}^{Kps}$  is a good moduli space morphism.  
( $s$ -equiv classes of  $K$ -ss)

good moduli space (Alper): abstraction of GIT quotient.

## § Properness

In terms of stacks:

$$\begin{array}{ccc} B^\circ & \longrightarrow & \mathcal{M}_{n, V}^{K\text{-ss}} \\ \downarrow & \nearrow & \\ B & & \end{array}$$

To show  $\mathcal{M}_{n, V}^{K\text{-ps}}$  is proper, it suffices to show

for every family  $X^\circ \rightarrow B^\circ$  with  $K$ -semistable fibers

over  $B^\circ = B \setminus \{0\}$  a punctured curve,

$\exists$  an extension (after a finite base change)

$X \rightarrow B$  s.t.  $X_0$  is also  $K$ -semistable.

Langton's algorithm. [Huybrechts-Lehn].

It comes from properties of moduli of semistable bundles/ $C$

Suppose  $\mathcal{E}^0 \rightarrow C \times B^0$  family of semistable vector bundles over  $C$ .

Step 1. Extend  $\mathcal{E}^0$  to a flat family  $\mathcal{E} \rightarrow C \times B$

Usually  $\mathcal{E}_0$  is not semistable.

$\exists$  a maximal destabilizing subbundle  $F \subseteq \mathcal{E}_0$ .

$$0 \rightarrow F \rightarrow \mathcal{E}_0 \rightarrow G \rightarrow 0.$$

Step 2. Construct  $\xi' \rightarrow C \times B$

s.t.  $0 \rightarrow G \rightarrow \xi_0 \rightarrow F \rightarrow 0$  and  $\xi'|_{B \setminus \{0\}} \cong \xi|_{B \setminus \{0\}}$

Then the stability of  $\xi'$  improves.

$$\xi' = \ker(\xi \xrightarrow{\quad} \xi_0 \rightarrow G)$$

Step 3. Repeat the above process, it terminates

we get a semistable bundle as limit.



For Fano varieties,

$X^0 \rightarrow B^0$  every fiber  $X_t$  is  $K$ -semistable  
 $\curvearrowright$  puncture curve  $\mathbb{Q}$ -Fano var.

Step 1.  $\exists$  extension  $X \rightarrow B$  s.t.  $X_0$  is  
also  $\mathbb{Q}$ -Fano.

[Li-Xu '11 arXiv, '14 published].

Step 2. Q. What is analogue for maximal destabil. bundle?  
in Fano varieties.

A. Minimizer of  $S$ -invariant.

Recall.  $X$   $\mathbb{Q}$ -Fano variety.

$E$  div over  $X$  (i.e.  $E \subset \text{div } Y \xrightarrow{\mu} X$ ).

$$A_X(E) = 1 + \text{weff}_E(K_Y - \mu^* K_X).$$

$$S_X(E) = \frac{1}{(-K_X)^n} \int_0^{+\infty} \text{vol}(\mu^*(-K_X) - tE) dt.$$

$$\delta(X) = \inf_{E \text{ div}/X} \frac{A_X(E)}{S_X(E)}.$$

$X$  is  $K$ -ss  $(\Leftrightarrow) \delta(X) \geq 1$ .

Conj. (Optimal destabilization) (ODC)

If  $X$  is  $K$ -unstable, i.e.  $\delta(X) < 1$ .

Then  $\exists E$  divisor over  $X$  s.t.  $\delta(X) = \frac{A_X(E)}{S_X(E)}$ .

Thm (Blum-L.-Zhou).

$$R = \bigoplus_{m=0}^{\infty} H^0(X, -mK_X)$$

Assume ODC holds and  $\delta(X) < 1$ .

Then  $E$  is a dreamy divisor, i.e.  $\text{gr}_E R$  is f.g.

$E$  induces a TC  $\mathcal{X}$  of  $X$  s.t.  $\delta(X) = \delta(X_0)$ .  
↙ optimal destabilization.

Halpern-Leistner :  $\textcircled{H}$  - stratification

This is a package that encodes all information for optimal destabilization.

For bundles,  $\textcircled{H}$ -stratif = HN filtration

For proj. GIT,  $\textcircled{H}$ -stratif. = Kempf's optimal destabil.

For  $K$ -moduli,  $\textcircled{H}$ -stratif =  $\delta$ -minimizer.

B-HL-L-X :  $\textcircled{\text{ODC}} \Rightarrow$  Step 2 of Luyton works.

Boundedness  $\Rightarrow$  step 3 also works.

Thm (L.-Xu-Zhang '21).

ODC holds for all  $\mathbb{Q}$ -Fano varieties.

$\Rightarrow$  Cor.  $M_{n,V}^{Kps}$  is proper.

+ [Xu-Zhang] and projective (scheme).

Cor. YTD conj for  $\mathbb{Q}$ -Fano (or log Fano pairs) holds.

[L.-Xu-Zhang].

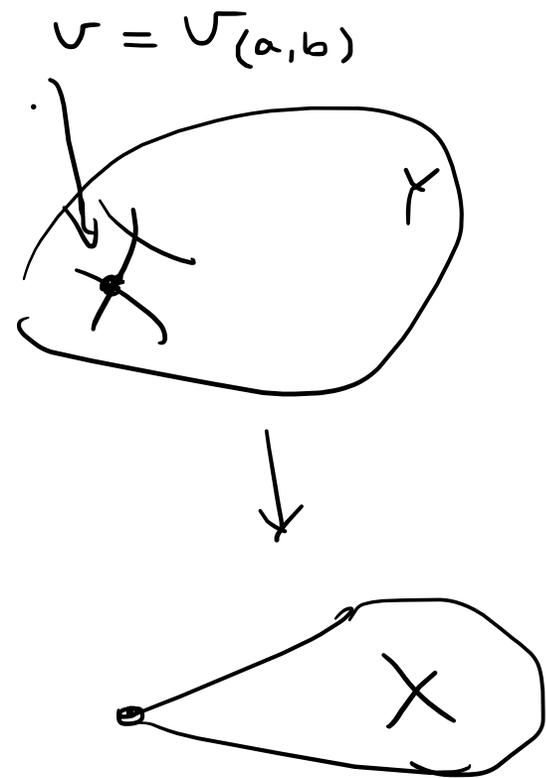
[Berman-Boucksom-Jousson '21] + [Li-Tian-Wang] + [Li '22].

Goal. Find  $E$  computes  $S(X)$ .

$$\exists E_i \text{ s.t. } \lim_{i \rightarrow \infty} \frac{A_X(E_i)}{S_X(E_i)} = S(X)$$

① [Blum-Jousson]  
 $\exists$  valuation  $v$  as  $E_i$ 's limit.

$$\text{s.t. } \frac{A_X(v)}{S_X(v)} = S(X).$$



② [Blum-L.-Xu].

We can choose  $v$  as a quasi-monomial valuation.  
 $\sum D_j = D \subseteq Y \rightarrow X$  s.t.  $v$  on  $Y$  is monomial in divs defined by  $D_j$ .

③ [LXZ] Show  $\text{gr}_v R$  is finitely generated

(Higher rank finite generation).

Perturb weights of  $v$  to  $v_k$  (rat'l weights).

$\text{gr}_{v_k} R$  is finitely generated.

Moreover,  $X_k = \text{Proj } \text{gr}_{v_k} R$  is bounded &  $\mathbb{Q}$ -Fano.