

BRIEF INTRODUCTION TO GLOBAL CANONICAL VARIETIES II

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Let's review weighted projective spaces.

Let $Q = (q_0, \dots, q_r)$ be a sequence of positive integers. Consider a graded ring $S(Q) = k[T_0, \dots, T_r]$, where $\deg T_i = q_i$.

Definition 0.1.

$$\mathbb{P}(Q) = \text{Proj } S(Q).$$

Example 0.2. (1) $\mathbb{P}(1, \dots, 1) = \mathbb{P}^r$.

(2) $\mathbb{P}(1, 1, 2, 2) = \text{Proj } (k \oplus \langle T_0, T_1 \rangle \oplus \langle T_0^1, T_0 T_1, T_1^2, T_2, T_3 \rangle \oplus \dots)$ It is not generated by degree 1 part S_1 . For $S = S(1, 1, 2, 2)$,

$$S_{(T_0)} = k\left[\frac{T_1}{T_0}, \frac{T_2}{T_0^2}, \frac{T_3}{T_0^2}\right].$$

Thus $\text{Spec } S_{(T_0)} = \mathbb{A}^3$. But

$$S_{(T_2)} = k\left[\frac{T_0^2}{T_2}, \frac{T_0 T_1}{T_2}, \frac{T_1^2}{T_2}, \frac{T_3}{T_2}\right] \cong k[X, Y, Z, W] / \langle XZ - Y^2 \rangle.$$

Therefore $\text{Spec } S_{(T_2)}$ is an affine cone.

Geometrically, $\mathbb{P}(Q) = \mathbb{A}^{r+1} - \{0\} / \mathbb{C}^*$ where \mathbb{C}^* -action is given by

$$\lambda \cdot (x_0, \dots, x_r) = (\lambda^{q_0} x_0, \dots, \lambda^{q_r} x_r).$$

$\mathbb{P}(Q)$ has finite quotient singularities. Consider $\mu_Q := \mu_{q_0} \times \dots \times \mu_{q_r}$. μ_Q acts on \mathbb{P}^r . We can get a map of graded ring $S(Q) \rightarrow S = k[X_0, \dots, X_r]$ which sends $T_i \mapsto X_i^{q_i}$, then the image of S^{μ_Q} . Then $\mathbb{P}(Q) = \mathbb{P}^r / \mu_Q$.

As a consequence, $\mathbb{P}(Q)$ is normal irreducible variety. For more information, see [Dol82].

Definition 0.3.

$$\mathcal{O}_X(n) = \widetilde{S(Q)(n)}.$$

Example 0.4. For $X = \mathbb{P}(1, 1, 2, 2)$, $\mathcal{O}(1)$ is NOT locally free.

$$S(Q)_{(T_2)} = k\left[\frac{T_0^2}{T_2}, \frac{T_0 T_1}{T_2}, \frac{T_1^2}{T_2}, \frac{T_3}{T_2}\right].$$

$$S(Q)(1)_{(T_2)} = k\left[\frac{T_0^3}{T_2}, \frac{T_0^2 T_1}{T_2}, \frac{T_0 T_1^2}{T_2}, \frac{T_1^3}{T_2}, T_0, T_1, \frac{T_3 T_0}{T_2}, \frac{T_3 T_1}{T_2}\right]$$

and it is generated by T_0, T_1 as a $S(Q)_{(T_2)}$ but not generated by single element. Also it is not free. It is a reflexive sheaf.

But $\mathcal{O}(2)$ is a line bundle. $S(Q)(2)_{(T_2)}$ is generated by T_2 . For instance, $T_2 = T_2 \cdot T_3 / T_2$. $H^0(\mathcal{O}(2)) = \text{span}\{T_0^2, T_0T_1, T_1^2, T_2, T_3\}$.

Theorem 0.5.

$$H^0(\mathcal{O}(n)) = S(Q)_n$$

for every $n \in \mathbb{Z}$.

In fact, for $X = \mathbb{P}(1, 1, 2, 2)$, we have a map

$$\phi = \phi|_{\mathcal{O}_X(2)} : X \hookrightarrow \mathbb{P}^4$$

and the image of ϕ is a cone of rank 3 in \mathbb{P}^4 . The image is the join of a line and a conic.

Example 0.6. Example of canonical threefolds. (X has canonical singularities and K_X is ample).

Take $Y = \mathbb{P}(1, 1, 2, 2, 7) = \mathbb{P}(x_1, x_2, y_1, y_2, w)$. X is a hypersurface defined by $w^2 = f(x_1, x_2, y_1, y_2)$ where f is a general homogeneous polynomial of degree 14.

Consider the generically $2 : 1$ map $X \rightarrow \mathbb{P}(1, 1, 2, 2)$ obtained by forgetting w . X is a ramified cover of $\mathbb{P}(1, 1, 2, 2)$ branched along $f = 0$. If we think $\mathbb{P}(1, 1, 2, 2)$ as a cone in \mathbb{P}^4 , then the branch locus is a $Q \cap F$ where F is a hypersurface of degree 7. F intersects the line (note that $\mathbb{P}(1, 1, 2, 2)$ is the join of a line and a conic) at 7 points and these 7 points are singular points of X .

Question 0.7. Why these points have a canonical singularities?

By adjunction formula,

$$K_X = (K_{\mathbb{P}(1,1,2,2,7)} + X)|_X = \mathcal{O}_X(-1 - 1 - 2 - 2 - 7 + 14) = \mathcal{O}_X(1)$$

so K_X is \mathbb{Q} -ample.

There is a degree 28 map

$$f : \mathbb{P}^4 \rightarrow \mathbb{P}(1, 1, 2, 2, 7).$$

$Y = f^{-1}(X)$ is a degree 14 hypersurface in \mathbb{P}^4 .

$$K_X^3 = \mathcal{O}_Y(1)^3 / 28 = 14 \cdot 1 \cdot 1 \cdot 1 / 28 = \frac{1}{2}.$$

By applying asymptotic Riemann-Roch,

$$P_m = h^0(X, mK_X) \sim \frac{1}{3!}(K_X)^3 m^3 + \text{lower terms} = \frac{1}{3!} \cdot \frac{1}{2} m^3 + \dots$$

Note that P_m is a birational invariant and for smooth X K_X^3 must be an integer. Thus the above computation implies that X has no smooth minimal model.

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