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Recall the definition of Gromov-Hausdorff distance, refer to Book  
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Defn (Gromov-Hausdorff distance)

Let  $X$  and  $Y$  be  $\overset{\text{cpt}}{\sim}$  metric spaces.

$$d_{GH}(X, Y) := \inf_{(Z, d)} \left\{ d_H(X', Y') \mid \begin{array}{l} \text{metric space } Z \text{ and its subspace } X' \text{ and } Y' \\ \text{s.t. } X' \xrightarrow{\cong} X, Y' \simeq Y \end{array} \right\}$$

## §8 Song-Tian's analytic minimal model program with KRF

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- A brief introduction of Mori's minimal model program (MMP) in birational geometry.

Let  $X, Y$  be projective varieties. A rational map from  $X$  to  $Y$  is given by a holomorphic map  $f: X \setminus V \rightarrow Y$ , where  $V$  is a subvariety of  $X$ .

We say that a rational map  $f$  from  $X$  to  $Y$  is birational if there exists a rational map from  $Y$  to  $X$  such that  $f \circ g = \text{id}_Y$  as a rational map  $Y$  to  $Y$ .

If a birational map from  $X$  to  $Y$  exists then we say  $X$  and  $Y$  are birationally equivalent (or birational or in the same birational class.)

The MMP is concerned with finding a "good" representative of a variety within its birational class. A "good" variety  $X$  is one satisfying either:

$$\underline{C(K_X)} = -\underline{C(X)}$$

(i)  $K_X$  is nef,  $\exists$  (H curve  $C \subset X$ ,  $K_X \cdot C \geq 0$ )

or

(ii)  $\exists$  a holo. map  $\pi: X \rightarrow Y$  to a lower dimensional variety  $Y$  such that the generic fiber  $X_y = \pi^{-1}(y)$  is a manifold with  $K_{X_y} < 0$ .

In case of (i), we say that  $X$  is a minimal model.  
and in case of (ii), we say that  $X$  is a Mori fiber space  
(or Fano fiber space).

The basic idea of the MMP is to find a finite sequence of birational maps  $f_1, \dots, f_k$  and varieties  $X_1, \dots, X_k$ ,

$$(8.1) \quad X = X_0 \xrightarrow{f_1} X_1 \xrightarrow{f_2} X_2 \dashrightarrow \dots \xrightarrow{f_k} X_k$$

so that  $X_k$  is our "good" variety: either of type (i) or type (ii).

We want to find maps  $f_i$  which "remove" curves  $C$  with  
For smooth variety.

$$K_X \cdot C < 0.$$

$$\exists g, \text{s.t. } K(g) = -1 \quad \exists g, \text{s.t. } K(g) = 0$$

- If  $\dim(X) = 1$ , (case (i))  $\Rightarrow C(X) < 0$  or  $C(X) = 0$   
(case (ii))  $\Rightarrow X = \mathbb{P}^1 \Rightarrow \exists g, \text{s.t. } K(g) = 1$ .

- If  $\dim(X) = 2$ , by the Enriques-Kodaira classification,  
one can obtain the "good" variety  $X$  via a finite sequence  
of blow downs.

• If  $\dim(X) \geq 3$ , it is not possible to find such a seq. of birational maps if we wish to stay within the category of smooth varieties.

Let  $X$  be a smooth projective variety. A 1-cycle  $C$  on  $X$  is a formal finite sum  $C = \sum_i a_i C_i$  for  $a_i \in \mathbb{Z}$ ,  $C_i$  irreducible curves. We say that 1-cycles  $C$  and  $C'$  are numerically equivalent if  $D \cdot C = D \cdot C'$ ,  $\forall$  divisors  $D$ , denoted by  $C \sim C'$ .

$N_1(X)_{\mathbb{Z}}$ : the space of 1-cycles modulo numerical equivalence.

$$N_1(X)_{\mathbb{Q}} := N_1(X)_{\mathbb{Z}} \otimes_{\mathbb{Z}} \mathbb{Q}, \quad N_1(X)_{\mathbb{R}} = N_1(X)_{\mathbb{Z}} \otimes \mathbb{R}.$$

$D$  and  $D'$  are numerically equivalent if  $D \cdot C = D' \cdot C$ ,  $\forall$  all curve  $C$ .

$N^1(X)_{\mathbb{Z}}$ : the set of divisors modulo numerical equivalence.

$$N^1(X)_{\mathbb{Q}} := N^1(X)_{\mathbb{Z}} \otimes \mathbb{Q}, \quad N^1(X)_{\mathbb{R}} := N^1(X)_{\mathbb{Z}} \otimes \mathbb{R}$$

$C \in N_1(X)_{\mathbb{R}}$  is called effective if  $C \sim \sum a_i C_i$  with  $a_i \geq 0$ ,  $C_i$  irreducible curves.

$NE(X) := \{ \text{effective elements of } N_1(X)_{\mathbb{R}} \}$ , is a cone.

$\overline{NE(X)}$  = closure of  $NE(X)$  in  $N_1(X)_{\mathbb{R}}$  ( $NE(X) \neq \overline{NE(X)}$ )

Thm 8.1: A divisor  $D$  is ample iff  $D \cdot w > 0$ ,  $\forall 0 \neq w \in \overline{NE(X)}$ .

• MMP with scaling of BCHM.

Birkar-Cascini-Hacon-McKernan, Existence of minimal models for varieties of log general type, JAMS, 23 (2010), 405-468.

This is an algorithm for finding a specific seq. of birational maps  $f_1, \dots, f_k$ .

First, choose an ample divisor  $H$  on  $X$ . Then define

$$T := \sup \{ t > 0 \mid H + tK_X > 0 \}$$

If  $T = +\infty \Rightarrow K_X$  is nef, then is in case (i).

If  $T < +\infty$ . By the Rationality Thm of Kawamata and Shokurov,  
ample  $\Rightarrow T$  is rational.

$\Downarrow \Rightarrow L := H + TK_X$  defines a  $\mathbb{Q}$ -line bundle.

Semi-ample  $\Rightarrow$  Nef.

Apply the Base Point Free Thm (Kawamata). If  $L$  is nef and

$aL - K_X$  is nef and big for some  $a > 0$ , then  $L$  is semi-ample.

$L = H + TK_X$  is nef,

$L - TK_X \Rightarrow \exists$  sufficiently large  $m \in \mathbb{N}$ ,  $L^m$  is globally generated

$= T(\frac{1}{T}L - K_X)$  and  $H^0(X, L^m)$  defines a holo. map  $\pi: X \rightarrow \mathbb{P}^N$  st.

$$L^m = \pi^* \mathcal{O}(1)$$

Denote  $Y := \pi(X)$ , is uniquely determined for  $m$  sufficiently large.

Define a subcone  $NE(\pi)$  of  $\overline{NE(X)}$  by

$$NE(\pi) := \{ w \in \overline{NE(X)} \mid L \cdot w = 0 \}$$

Thm 8.1  $\Rightarrow NE(\pi) \neq \emptyset$ . (?)

Simplifying assumption:  $NE(\pi)$  is an extremal ray of  $\overline{NE(X)}$ .

A ray  $R$  of  $\overline{NE(X)}$  is a subcone of the form  $R := \{ \lambda w \mid \lambda \in [0, \infty) \}$

for some  $w \in \overline{NE(X)}$ . We say that a subcone  $C$  in  $\overline{NE(X)}$  is extremal if  $a, b \in \overline{NE(X)}$ ,  $a+b \in C \Rightarrow a, b \in C$ .

The extremal ray  $R = \text{NE}(\pi)$  has the additional property of being  $K_X$ -negative: if  $K_X \cdot w < 0$ ,  $\forall 0 \neq w \in R$ .

Hence  $R$  contains "bad" curves ( $K_X \cdot w < 0$ ) which we want to remove.

$\pi$  contracts all curves whose class lies in the extremal ray  $R = \text{NE}(\pi)$ .

The union of these curves is called the locus of  $R$ . In fact, the locus of  $R = \text{NE}(\pi)$  is exactly the set of points where the map:

$\pi: X \rightarrow Y$  is not an isomorphism.

Case 1. The locus of  $R$  is equal to  $X$ . Then  $\pi$  is a fiber contraction and  $X$  is a Mori fiber space.

Case 2. The locus of  $R$  is an irreducible divisor  $D$ . In this case  $\pi$  is called a divisorial contraction.

Case 3. The locus of  $R$  has codimension at least 2. In this case,  $\pi$  is called a small contraction.

The process of the MMP with scaling is the as follows:

if we are in case 1, we stop, since  $X$  is already of type (ii).

In case 2, we have a map  $\pi: X \rightarrow Y \subset \mathbb{P}^N$  to a subvariety  $Y$ .

Let  $H_Y = \mathcal{O}(1)|_Y$ . We can then repeat the process of the MMP with scaling with  $(Y, H_Y)$  instead of  $(X, H)$ .

The serious difficulties occur in case 3. Here  $Y$  will have very bad singularities and it will not be possible to continue this process on  $Y$ . We need to find a new space to run MMP. This new space is a flip.

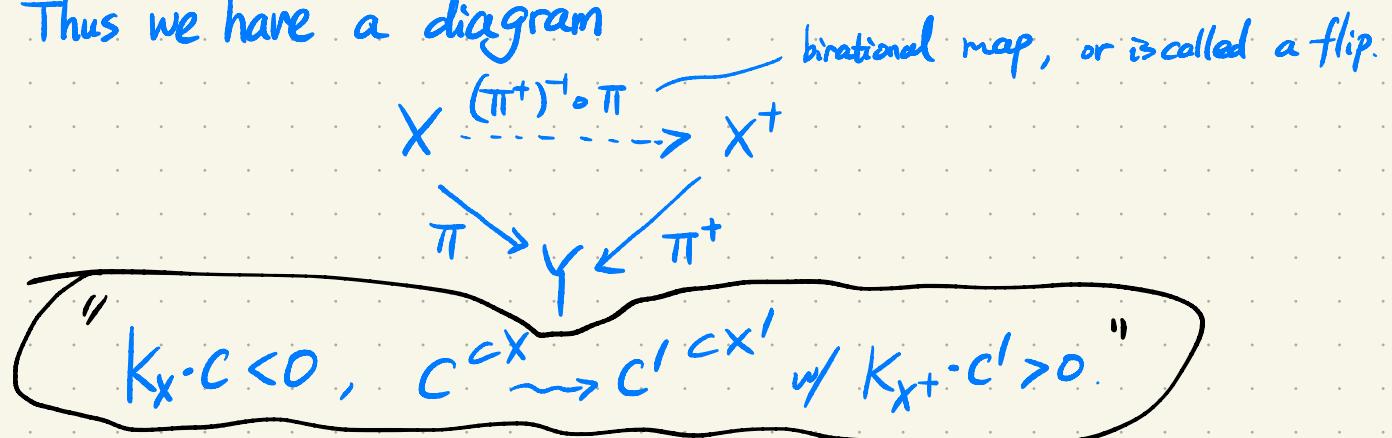
Let  $\pi: X \rightarrow Y$  be a small contraction as in case 3.

The flip of  $\pi: X \rightarrow Y$  is a variety  $X^+$  together with a holo. birational map  $\pi^+: X^+ \rightarrow Y$  satisfying the following conditions:

(a) The exceptional locus of  $\pi^+$  (that is, the set of points in  $X^+$  on which  $\pi^+$  is not an isomorphism) has codim  $> 1$ .

(b) If  $C$  is a curve contracted by  $\pi^+$ , then  $K_{X^+} \cdot C > 0$ .

Thus we have a diagram



$\exists$  of flip is a difficult problem.

Denote  $H^+ := (\pi^+)^* \mathcal{O}(1)|_Y$ . Then we run MMP with  $(X^+, H^+)$  instead of  $(X, H)$ .

An example of a flip. Let  $X_{m,n} = \mathbb{P}(\mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}^n} \oplus \mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}^m}(-)^{\oplus m+1})$  be the  $\mathbb{P}^{m+1}$  bundle over  $\mathbb{P}^n$ . Let  $Y_{m,n}$  be the projective cone over  $\mathbb{P}^m \times \mathbb{P}^n$  in  $\mathbb{P}^{(m+1)(n+1)}$  by the Segre embedding

$$[Z_0, \dots, Z_m] \times [W_0, \dots, W_n] \rightarrow [Z_0 W_0, \dots, Z_0 W_n, Z_1 W_0, \dots, Z_1 W_n, \dots, Z_m W_0, \dots, Z_m W_n] \in \mathbb{P}^{(m+1)(n+1)-1}$$

Note that  $Y_{m,n} = Y_{n,m}$ . Then  $\exists$  a holo. map

$$\Phi_{m,n}: X_{m,n} \rightarrow Y_{m,n} \quad (m \geq 1)$$

contracting the zero section of  $X_{m,n}$  of codim  $m+1$  to the cone

Singularity of  $Y_{m,n}$ . The following diagram gives a flip from  $X_{m,n}$  to  $X_{n,m}$  for  $1 \leq m < n$ .

$$X_{m,n} \xrightarrow{\Phi} X_{n,m}$$

$$\Phi_{m,n} \searrow Y_{m,n} \swarrow \Phi_{n,m}$$

- Analytic MMP with KRF

[Song-Tian 3]  $(X, H, \omega)$ ,  $X$ :  $\mathbb{Q}$ -factorial proj. variety with log terminal sing.,  $H$ : big semi-ample  $\mathbb{Q}$ -divisor s.t.  $H + \Sigma K_X > 0$  for small  $\Sigma \geq 0$ ,

Let  $X$  be a smooth proj. variety with an ample divisor  $H$ .

For unnormalized KRF,

$$\begin{cases} \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \omega = -\text{Ric}(\omega) \\ \omega|_{t=0} = \omega_0 \end{cases}$$

Assume  $\omega_0 \in \mathcal{C}_1([H])$ . Then the maximal time existence of KRF is

$$T = \sup\{t > 0 \mid H + tK_X > 0\}.$$

In general, we expect that as  $t \rightarrow T$ , the KRF carries out a "surgery", which is equivalent to the algebraic procedure of contracting an extremal ray, as discussed above.

The following is a conjectural picture for the behavior of the KRF, as proposed by Song-Tian [1-3].

Step 1. We start with a metric  $\omega_0 \in \mathcal{C}_1([H])$ . We then consider the soln.  $\omega(t)$  of KRF on  $X$  starting at  $\omega_0$ . The flow exists on  $[0, T)$  with  $T = \sup\{t > 0 \mid H + tK_X > 0\}$ .

Conj 1 (Song-Tian 3) For each  $t \in (0, T_0)$ , the metric completion of  $X$  reg by  $\omega(t)$  is homeomorphic to  $X$ .

Step 2. If  $T=\infty$ , then  $K_X$  is nef and the KRF exists for all time. The flow  $\omega(t)$  should converge, after an appropriate normalization, to a canonical 'generalized Kähler-Einstein metric' on  $X$  as  $t \rightarrow \infty$ .

The abundance conjecture predicts that  $K_X$  is semi-ample and  $\text{kod}(X) \geq 0$ .

2.1  $\text{kod}(X) = \dim X$ , i.e.,  $X$  is a minimal model of general type.

Conj.2 [Song-Tian 3]

The normalized KRF  $\frac{\partial \tilde{\omega}}{\partial s} = -\text{Ric}(\tilde{\omega}) - \tilde{\omega}$

starting with  $\omega$  converges to the unique Kähler-Einstein metric  $\omega_{KE}$  on  $X_{can}$  in Gromov-Hausdorff sense as  $s \rightarrow \infty$ .

If  $X$  is nonsingular and  $K_X$  is ample, it is Cao's classical result.

If  $X$  is nonsingular, the weak convergence in distribution and smooth convergence outside the exceptional locus is obtained by Tsuji and Tian-Zhang (Zhou).

If  $X$  is a singular minimal model, they expect the KRF converge to the singular Kähler-Einstein metric of Guedj-Eyssidieux-Zeriahi [Singular Kähler-Einstein metrics, JAMS, 22 (2009), 607-639].

2.2  $0 < \text{kod}(X) < \dim X$ .

Conj.3 [Song-Tian 3] The normalized KRF  $\frac{\partial \tilde{\omega}}{\partial s} = -\text{Ric}(\tilde{\omega}) - \tilde{\omega}$

Starting with  $\omega$  converges to the unique generalized Kähler-Einstein metric  $\omega_{can}$  on  $X_{can}$  in Gromov-Hausdorff sense as  $s \rightarrow \infty$ .

If  $K_X$  is semi-ample, for large  $m$ ,  $H^0(X, K_X^m)$  induces a holo. map

$$\phi: X \rightarrow X_{\text{can}} \subset \mathbb{CP}^N.$$

$X_{\text{can}}$  is called the canonical model of  $X$  and it is uniquely determined by the canonical ring of  $X$ .

If  $0 < \text{kod}(X) < \dim X$ , then  $X$  admits a Calabi-Yau fibration over  $X_{\text{can}}$ . Here  $W_{\text{can}}$  should be (away from a subvariety of  $X_{\text{can}}$ )

$$\text{Ric}(g_{\text{can}}) = -g_{\text{can}} + g_{\text{WP}}$$

where  $g_{\text{WP}}$  is the Weil-Petersson metric induced from the Calabi-Yau fibration of  $X$  over  $X_{\text{can}}$ .

If  $X$  is nonsingular, the weak convergence in distribution is obtained by [Song-Tian 1 & 2].

2.3  $\text{kod}(X)=0$ .  $K_X$  is numerically trivial.

Conj.4 The KRF  $\frac{\partial \omega}{\partial t} = -\text{Ric}(\omega)$

converges to the unique Ricci-flat Kahler metric in  $[H]$  in Gromov-Hausdorff sense as  $t \rightarrow \infty$ .

If  $X$  is nonsingular, it is shown by Cao that the flow converges in  $C^\infty(X)$ . If  $X$  has log terminal singularities, Song-Yuan, Y obtained a weak convergence.

Step 3. If  $T < \infty$ , then the semi-ample divisor  $H + T K_X$  induces a contraction

$$\pi: X \rightarrow Y.$$

3.1  $\dim Y = \dim X$

Conj. 5 [Song-Tian 3] As  $t \rightarrow T$ ,  $(X, w(t))$  converges to a metric space  $(Y, w_Y)$  along the KRF

$$\frac{\partial w}{\partial t} = -\text{Ric}(w)$$

in Gromov-Hausdorff sense. Furthermore,  $w(t, \cdot)$  converges in  $C^\infty$  outside a subvariety  $S$  of  $X$ , and  $(Y, w_Y) = \overline{(X|S, w(T))}$ . In particular,  $Y$  is normal proj. variety satisfying the following diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccc} X & \xrightarrow{(\pi^+)^! \circ \pi} & X^+ \\ & \searrow \pi & \swarrow \pi^+ \end{array}$$

where  $X^+ = X^+ \rightarrow Y$  is a general flip of  $X$ .

We then repeat Step 1 by replacing  $(X, H, w)$  with  $(X^+, H_{X^+}, w_{X^+})$  even though  $X^+$  is not necessarily  $\mathbb{Q}$ -factorial. They further conjecture that along the new KRF,  $(X^+, w_{X^+}(t))$  converges in Gromov-Hausdorff sense to  $(Y, w_Y)$  as  $t \rightarrow 0+$ .

3.2  $0 < \dim Y < \dim X$ .  $X$  then admits a Fano fibration over  $Y$ .

Conj. 6. Along the KRF,  $(X, w(t)) \xrightarrow[t \rightarrow T]{GH} (Y', w_Y')$ , which is a metric space.

Let  $H_{Y'}$  be the divisor where  $w_{Y'}$  lies. Then both  $K_{Y'}$  and  $H_{Y'}$  are  $\mathbb{Q}$ -Cartier, and  $w_{Y'} \in K_{H_{Y'}, p'}(Y')$  for some  $p' > 1$ .

We then repeat Step 1 by replacing  $(X, H, w)$  by  $(Y', H_{Y'}, w_{Y'})$ .

3.3 If  $\dim Y = 0$ ,  $X$  is Fano and  $w \in -T[K_X]$ . Then Song-Tian have the following generalized Hamilton-Tian conjecture.

Conj. 7. Then the normalized KRF

$$\frac{\partial \tilde{\omega}}{\partial s} = -\text{Ric}(\tilde{\omega}) + \frac{1}{T} \tilde{\omega}$$

Starting with  $\omega$  converges to a Kähler-Ricci soliton  $(X_\infty, \omega_{KR})$  in Gromov-Hausdorff sense as  $s \rightarrow \infty$ .

Diameter estimate along KRF

(1) Jian-Song, GAFA,  $X$  is semiample

$$\Rightarrow \text{diam}(X, \omega(t)) \leq C.$$

(2) Guo-Phong-Song-Sturm,  $X$  is nef

$$\Rightarrow \text{diam}(X, \omega(t)) \leq C.$$