



6th
lecture!

Topic for the next 2 lectures: integral Hodge conj
and rationality problems

Plan

- (1) The integral Hodge conjecture is false
(Kollár's example)
- (2) Still, there is some hope
- (3) Actually, in some cases there is really no
hope that IHC could be true
- (4) In some other cases, there is some hope

Kollár's example

Integral Hodge conjecture is false
(\exists Hodge class α in $H^{p,p}(X)$ st α is not algebraic)

$Y \subseteq \mathbb{P}^4$ hypersurface in \mathbb{P}^4 of degree g .

Let $p \geq g$ be an integer coprime with g .

Consider $\mathbb{P}^4 \rightarrow \mathbb{P}^4$ defined via:

$$\phi_0, \dots, \phi_g \in \Gamma(\mathcal{O}(p)) \rightsquigarrow [x_0 : \dots : x_g] \mapsto [\phi_0(x) : \dots : \phi_g(x)]$$

for ϕ_0, \dots, ϕ_g
general this
is well def

Claim For general $\phi_0 \rightarrow \phi_4$ we have:

• $f: \mathbb{P}^4 \rightarrow \mathbb{P}^4$ has degree p^4

see exercises

• $f_Y: Y \rightarrow f(Y) =: X_0$ is generically 1:1

not so easy to prove. Start from exercise 1.

It's not 1:1 on SCY , and $f_S: S \rightarrow f(S)$

is generically 2:1. Moreover, f_S it's

not 2:1 on $D \subseteq S$ and $f_D: D \rightarrow f(D)$

is 3:1.

Claim: $\deg(X_0) = p^3 S$

$$[X_0] = f_*[Y] = f_* (s[H]) = p^3 S [H]$$

Proof: $f_X[\mathbb{P}^2] = p^4 [\mathbb{P}^2]$,

$$f_* p[H] = f_* f^* p[H] = [H] \cdot f_X[\mathbb{P}^2] = p^4 [H] \Rightarrow f_*[H] = p^3 [H]$$

Remark: $f_*[H]^i = p^{4-i} [H]^i$

Claim

$\mathbb{P}H^0(\mathcal{O}(p^3S)) = \mathbb{P}^N \ni X$ is very general if belongs to \mathbb{P}^N - countable union of closed subvar.

Let X be a very general hypersurface in \mathbb{P}^4 of degree p^3S and let $C \subseteq X$ be a curve. Then

$$(X, C) \underset{\text{def}}{\sim} (X_0, C_0)$$

what do you mean?

Sketch of proof

$\text{Hilb}_{X/\mathbb{P}^4}$ is the Hilbert scheme of $(D \subseteq Z \subseteq \mathbb{P}^4)$ -
curve pts

$\exists U$ and (X_0, C_0)
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and $U_0, U_1 \in U$

the fiber of (X_0, C_0)

over U_0 is (X_0, C_0)
the fiber / U_1 is (X_1, C)

We would like to connect $(C \subseteq X \subseteq \mathbb{P}^4) \rightsquigarrow (D \subseteq Z \subseteq \mathbb{P}^4)$
Problem: the geometry of $\text{Hilb}_{X/\mathbb{P}^4}$ can be very complicated, but $\exists \text{Hilb}_{X/\mathbb{P}^4} \rightarrow \mathbb{P}^N$ given by $(D \subseteq Z \subseteq \mathbb{P}^4) \mapsto (Z \in \mathbb{P}^4)$

$$\text{Hilb}_{\mathbb{C}/\mathbb{P}^4}^{\text{curve}} = \bigcup \text{Hilb}_{\mathbb{C}/\mathbb{P}^4}^{\text{curve}, \nu} \leftarrow \begin{array}{l} \text{the least} \\ \text{polygon of the curve} \end{array}$$

$$\text{Consider } \text{Hilb}_{\mathbb{C}/\mathbb{P}^4}^{\text{curve}, \nu} \xrightarrow{p_\nu} \mathbb{P}^N \Rightarrow \mathbb{P}^N \setminus \bigcup p_\nu^{\nu}(\text{Hilb}_{\mathbb{C}/\mathbb{P}^4}^{\text{curve}, \nu})$$

p_ν is not dominant

↑
this is a union over a countable set

↑
by construction these are closed sets.

Consider $X \in \mathbb{P}^N \setminus \bigcup \dots$

(hence X very general)

by construction (X, C) and

(X_0, C_0) belong to an open

subset in the same irreducible component

of $\text{Hilb}_{\mathbb{C}/\mathbb{P}^4}^{\text{curve}} \Rightarrow$ can deform $(X, C) \rightsquigarrow (X_0, C_0)$

Upshot: $X \subset \mathbb{P}^n$ of degree d , $C \subseteq X$

$$(X, C) \xrightarrow[\text{def}]{} (X_0, C_0) \leftarrow \begin{array}{l} \text{i'm saying} \\ \text{at } (X, C) \end{array} \xrightarrow{\exists C_0 \subseteq X_0} (X_0, C_0)$$

(important remark: $\deg(C_0) = \deg(C)$)

What can we say about $\deg(C_0)$?

Remember: $f_Y: Y \rightarrow X_0$ gen 1:1, 2:1 on S , 3:1 D

$$\deg(C_0) = ? \quad [C_0] \in \{ f_*[C_0'], 2f_*[S'], 3f_*[D] \}$$

$$\Rightarrow \deg(6[C_0]) = \deg(f_* \gamma) = \int_{X_0} f_* \gamma \cdot [H] = \int_Y \gamma \cdot f^*[H] \\ \underset{y}{=} \int \gamma \cdot p[H]$$

Rmk

(i) Key point: every $C \in X$ has degree p^t .

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 α is not algebraic

(α would like to be $[l]$, l line)

A natural question: what if X is rationally connected?

Is the IHC true?

↑ every two points
are connected by
a line

Answer: no.

Proof: Consider $X \subset \mathbb{P}^{n+1}$ as the ones considered before (very general, of degree p^3)

$X \subset \mathbb{P}^{n+1} \subset \mathbb{P}^{n+l} \Rightarrow \tilde{\mathbb{P}}^{n+l} := \text{Bl}_X \mathbb{P}^{n+l}$ is rationally connected.

In general, for $\tilde{Y} = \text{Bl}_Z Y$ we have:

$$H^k(\tilde{Y}) = H^k(Y) \oplus H^{k-2}(E)$$

$$H^{k-2c}(Z)$$

$c = \text{codim}(Z, Y)$

$$H^{k-4|E|} E^{-1} g^* \alpha \mapsto g^* i_* \alpha \in H^k(\tilde{Y})$$

$$H^{k-2c}(Z) \ni \alpha \mapsto i_* \alpha \in H^k(Y)$$

E is the exceptional divisor, in particular $E = \mathbb{P}(N_{Z,Y})$

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$$H^{2i}(\tilde{\mathbb{P}}^{n+l}) = H^{2i}(\mathbb{P}^{n+l}) \oplus \left(\bigoplus_{j=0}^{e-2} H^{2i-2j-2}(X) \cdot t^j \right)$$

$(i_{E*}(t^{i-n} \alpha)) \in H^{2i-2}(X)$ is not algebraic.

is enough $t^{i-n} \cup \alpha$ is not alg.
 α being not alg. always true for projective ball

We have constructed a rationally connected variety Y such that $\exists \beta \in H^{2i}(Y)$ which is Hodge (i.e. is (i,i)-form) but it's not algebraic.

(2) The previous construction works $i \neq 2, n-1$.

Actually: $\mathcal{L}^4(X) \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \text{Hdg}^4(X) / H^4(X, \mathbb{Z})_{\text{alg}}$

$\mathcal{L}^{2n-2}(X) \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \text{Hdg}^{2n-2}(X) / H^{2n-2}(X, \mathbb{Z})_{\text{alg}}$

(IHC in deg 4, 2n-2) $\Leftrightarrow \mathcal{L}^4(X) = 0$ or $\mathcal{L}^{2n-2}(X) = 0$

If QHC is true the \mathbb{Z}^4 and \mathbb{Z}^{2n-2} are always torsion

$$H^4(B\mathbb{Z}_2 X) = H^4(X) \oplus H^2(E)$$

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$$\frac{Hdg^4(B\mathbb{Z}_2 X)}{H^4(B\mathbb{Z}_2 X)_{alg}} = \frac{Hdg^4(X)}{H^4(X)_{alg}} \oplus \frac{Hdg^2(E)}{H^2(E)_{alg}}$$

\curvearrowright by Lefschetz theorem
 $Hdg^2(E) = H^2(E)_{alg}$

$\underbrace{\hspace{10em}}$
 $Z^4(B\mathbb{Z}_2 X)$

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 $Z^4(X)$

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 $= 0$ by Lefschetz

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Upshot 3: $Z^4(X), Z^{2n-2}(X)$ birational invariants,
 Natural Question: $\exists X$ not conn st $Z^4(X), Z^{2n-2}(X) \neq 0$