

$$f(x) = a_0 + a_1 x + \dots + a_m x^m$$

$m, n$  degrés fixés

$$g(x) = b_0 + b_1 x + \dots + b_n x^n$$

$f, g \mapsto R(f, g)$  résultant de  $f$  et  $g$ ; polynôme irréductible en les coeffs  $a_i, b_j$ , qui s'annule quand  $f$  et  $g$  ont une racine commune.

$f \mapsto \Delta(f)$  discriminant de  $f$ : polynôme irréductible en les coeffs  $a_i$ , qui s'annule quand  $f$  a une racine double

(définitions à constante multiplicative non nulle près)

$$\Delta(f) = R(f, f')$$

Formule de Sylvester:

$$R(f, g) = \det$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} a_m & a_{m-1} & \dots & a_0 & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ 0 & a_m & \dots & a_1 & a_0 & \dots & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & \dots & a_m & \dots & \dots & a_0 \\ b_n & b_{n-1} & \dots & b_0 & \dots & \dots & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & \dots & \dots & b_n & \dots & \dots & b_0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$\downarrow$   $n-1$   
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$X \subset \mathbb{P}^n$  variété projective

- Chap ①  $X$ -discriminant  $\rightarrow$  dualité projective
- Chap ② Cayley method  $\rightarrow$  complexe de Koszul, déterminant de complexes
- Chap ③  $X$ -résultant  $\rightarrow$  grassmannienne, pt de Chow
- Chap ④ Chow variety  $\rightarrow$  variété qui paramètre les cycles dans  $\mathbb{P}^n$

$\uparrow$  Partie 1 de GKZ

Partie 2: le cas où  $X$  est torique



Example:  $X \subset \mathbb{P}^d$  the Veronese curve  $\mathbb{P}^1 \hookrightarrow \mathbb{P}^d$

$$X = \{ [x^d : x^{d-1}y : x^{d-2}y^2 : \dots : xy^{d-1} : y^d] ; (x:y) \in \mathbb{P}^1 \}$$

then  $\Delta_X =$  classical discriminant of a degree  $d$  polynomial.

Theorem (biduality thm):  $\forall X \subset \mathbb{P}(V)$  projective variety,  $(X^\vee)^\vee = X$ .

Furthermore, if  $z$  is a smooth pt of  $X$ ,  $H$  is a smooth pt of  $X^\vee$ , then

$H$  is tangent to  $X$  at  $z$  iff  $z$  (regarded as a hyperplane in  $\mathbb{P}(V)^*$ ) is tangent to  $X^\vee$  at  $H$ .

Suggestions: ① talk on projective duality & examples

② Proof of biduality thm

[...] e.g. more examples & properties

Chap 85 Katz dimension formula & application  
↓  
for  $X^\vee$

## ② The Cayley method

Goal: generalize Sylvester formula:

Step 1: Interpret the vanishing of  $\Delta_X(f)$  as a violation of the exactness of a certain complex of coherent sheaves on  $X$

Step 2: Interpret the non exactness of a complex of sheaves as the non exactness of a certain complex of vector spaces whose terms are fixed, and differential varies with  $f$

Step 3: the  $X$ -discriminant is the determinant of this complex

"The proof is slightly more technical than the previous material and makes use of the formalism of derived categories."

Application: degree & dimension of  $X^V$  expressed from the Hilbert polynomial of  $X$ .

Suggestions: ③ Setup 1: jet bundles, Koszul complex, discriminantal complex

④ Setup 2: determinant of complex

⑤ Proof

⑥ Applications

[...] eg Chapter 2, §5 the discriminant as the determinant of a spectral sequence

## ② Chow point & X-resultant

$X \subset \mathbb{P}^{n-1}$  irred subvar of dimension  $k-1$

$Z(X) :=$  set of all  $(n-k-1)$ -dim projective subspaces  $L$  in  $\mathbb{P}^{n-1}$  that intersect  $X$ .

Proposition: This is an irreducible hypersurface of degree  $d$  in the grassmannian  $G(n-k, n)$ .  
(of  $(n-k-1)$ -dim subspaces in  $\mathbb{P}^{n-1}$ )

degree  $d$ ? grassmannian is Picard rank 1  $\Rightarrow$  there is a natural projective embedding  
 $G(n-k, n) \subset \text{Proj } \mathcal{B}$   $\mathcal{B} = \bigoplus_{m \geq 0} \mathcal{B}_m$  total coordinate ring of the Grassmannian

$Z(X)$  is defined by the vanishing of some element  $R_X \in \mathcal{B}_d$ .

Definition:  $R_X$  is called the Chow form or X-resultant of  $X$ , defined up to non zero multiple.

$[R_X] \in \mathbb{P}(\mathcal{B}_d)$  is called the Chow point of  $X$ .

Example:  $\mathbb{P}^1 \hookrightarrow \mathbb{P}(S^d \mathbb{C}^2) = \mathbb{P}^{d+1}$  Veronese embedding again  
 $R_X$  suitably interpreted coincides with the classical resultant of 2 ~~homogeneous~~ polynomials of degree  $d$  in 1-variable

Theorem (Cayley trick):  $\tilde{X} := X \times \mathbb{P}^{k-1}$

$$R_X = \Delta_{\tilde{X}}$$

X- resultant                   $\tilde{X}$ -discriminant

⇒ can apply the Cayley method to X-resultants as well.

~~Example:  $R(f(x), g(y)) = \Delta(y f(x) + x g(y))$~~

- Suggestions:
- ⑦ Geometry of Grassmannians
  - ⑧ ~~Show~~ X-resultant
  - ⑨ Cayley trick & application of Cayley method
  - [...] e.g. Chapter 3 §3 Mixed resultants

## (4) Chow varieties

Defn: cycle of dimension  $k-1$  in  $\mathbb{P}^{n-1}$ :

$$X = \sum_i m_i X_i$$

formal finite linear combination  
with non-negative integer coeff  
of irred subvar of dim  $k-1$  in  $\mathbb{P}^{n-1}$ .

$$\deg(X) := \prod_i (\deg X_i)^{m_i} \\ \sum_i m_i \deg(X_i)$$

$$\text{Define } R_X := \prod_i R_{X_i}^{m_i} \in \mathbb{P}(\mathcal{B}_{\deg(X)})$$

Theorem [Chow-Van der Waerden]: The map  $X \mapsto R_X$  defines  
an embedding of  $G(k, d, n) =$  set of all  $(k-1)$ -dim cycles in  $\mathbb{P}^{n-1}$  of degree  $d$   
as a closed algebraic variety in  $\mathbb{P}(\mathcal{B}_d)$ .

Suggestions: (10) Proof of this thm

[...] Chapter 4 §2 :  $G(1, d, n)$  variety of 0-cycles

§3 : Cayley-Green-Mannion equations of  
Chow varieties.