

Linear systems on surfaces with "assigned base points"

X surface, D divisor on X

$|D| = \mathbb{P}(H^0(\mathcal{O}_X(D)))$ linear system.

linear system with assigned base points: $P_1, \dots, P_r$

$$|D - P_1 - \dots - P_r| := \mathbb{P}(\{s \in H^0(\mathcal{O}_X(D)) \mid \forall i: s(P_i) = 0\})$$

~~A point p_2 is infinitely near~~

An infinitely near point p_2 to a point p_1 is a point on the exceptional divisor of the blow up at p_1 : $p_2 \in E_{p_1}(X) \subseteq \text{Bl}_{p_1} X$
 $\rightarrow$ indicates tangent direction.

Exercise: $|D - P_1 - \dots - P_r| = H^0(\text{Bl}_{P_1, \dots, P_r}(X), \mathcal{O}(\beta^* D - E_1 - \dots - E_r))$

Rank $|D|$ is very ample. if:

a) $|D|$ has no base pts

encodes separating pts and tangent vectors { b) $\forall p \in X$ $|D - p|$ has no base pts apart from p (including infinitely near base pts).

if $\beta^* D$ is globally generated then $|D|$ is.

Prop Consider $\delta_r = |\mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}^2}(2) - P_1 - \dots - P_r|$ linear system of conics passing through $P_1, \dots, P_r \in \mathbb{P}^2$

Suppose no 3 P_i are colinear, $r \leq 4$.

also if p_2 inf near p_1 .

Then δ has no unassigned base pts.

Proof δ contains

$$D = \overline{P_1 P_2} + \overline{P_3 P_4} \quad \text{and} \quad D' = \overline{P_1 P_3} + \overline{P_2 P_4}$$

$$\text{no 3 colinear} \Rightarrow D \cap D' = P_1 + P_2 + P_3 + P_4.$$

$\square$

if p_2 inf near p_1 then $\overline{P_1 P_2}$ = line determined by tangent dir. at p_2

Cor $r \leq 5$

$$a) \dim \delta_r = \binom{2+2}{2} - 1 - r = 5 - r$$

b) $\exists$ conic passing through $P_1, \dots, P_5$ irreducible.

also if p_5 inf. near $p_1, \dots, p_4$

Pf a) each base pt drops dim by 1, b) $\exists$ irred. b/c none colinear.

Proposition $\delta_r^3 = |\mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}^2}(3) - P_1 - \dots - P_r|$ linear system of plane cubic curves passing through $P_1, \dots, P_r$.

Suppose i) no 4 of the P_i are collinear and

ii) no 7 of them lie on a conic.

remains true if P_2 inf. close to P_1

~~Proof~~ $r \leq 7$

Then δ_r^3 has no unassigned base points.

Proof $P_1, \dots, P_7$ ord. points. $q \in \mathbb{P}^2 - \{P_1, \dots, P_7\}$.

Show: $\exists$ cubic passing through $P_1, \dots, P_7$ but not q .

"special line"

Case 1: $P_1, P_2, P_3 \in L \ni q$

P_4, P_5, P_6, P_7 not all collinear wlog P_4, P_5, P_6 not collinear.

$\Rightarrow \Pi_{12456}$ conic through P_1, P_2, P_4, P_5, P_6

~~Case 1~~ $\Rightarrow C = \Pi_{12456} + \overline{P_3 P_7}$ cubic curve containing $P_1, \dots, P_7$

if $q \in \Pi_{12456}$, then $L \subset \Pi_{12456} \Rightarrow \Pi$ reducible.

$\Rightarrow P_4, P_5, P_6$ collinear. $\downarrow$

if $q \in \overline{P_3 P_7} \Rightarrow P_7 \in L \Rightarrow P_1, P_2, P_3, P_7$ collinear $\downarrow$

"special curve"

Case 2: q not collinear with any set of three points

but $q \in \Pi_{123456} \ni P_1, \dots, P_6$.

$\Rightarrow \Pi_{12347} + \overline{P_5 P_6}$ doesn't contain q .

"general"

Case 3: else.

One of the cubic curves

$\Pi_{12347} + \overline{P_5 P_6}$

$(i, j, k) = \begin{pmatrix} (5, 6, 7) \\ (6, 5, 7) \\ (7, 6, 5) \end{pmatrix}$

does not contain q .

Exercise: details $\&$

Theorem δ_r^3 as before

Suppose (i) no 3 p_i collinear
(ii) no 6 lie on a curve. } generic

If $r \leq 6$, then $\beta^* \delta_r^3$ on $\text{Bl}_{p_1, \dots, p_r} \mathbb{P}^2$ is very ample.

Proof Apply proposition to check that $\beta^* \delta_r^3$ separates points and tangents. $\square$

$p_1, \dots, p_6$ generic.

Corollary 1 $X = \text{Bl}_{p_1, \dots, p_6} \mathbb{P}^2 \hookrightarrow \mathbb{P}^3$ is a cubic surface, $\omega_X = \mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}^3}(-1)$

Proof $\dim(\beta^* \delta_6^3) = \dim(\delta_6^3) = \binom{2+3}{3} - 1 - 6 = 3$

$$D \in \beta^* \delta_6^3$$

$$D^2 = (\beta^* \mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}^2}(3) - E_1 - \dots - E_6)^2 = 9 - 6 = 3$$

$$\Rightarrow \deg_{\mathbb{P}^3}(X) = 3.$$

$\omega_X = \mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}^3}(-1)$ by adjunction formula or

by formula for canonical divisors on blow ups.

$$\omega_X = \beta^* \omega_{\mathbb{P}^2} + E_1 + \dots + E_6 = -D$$

Lemma

Prop $X = \text{Bl}_{p_1, \dots, p_6} \mathbb{P}^2$ $p_1, \dots, p_6$ generic.

a) $\text{Pic}(X) \cong \mathbb{Z}^7 = \mathbb{Z} \beta^* \mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}^2}(1) \oplus \mathbb{Z} E_1 \oplus \dots \oplus \mathbb{Z} E_6$

b) intersection matrix.

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & -1 & -1 & -1 & -1 & -1 & 0 \\ -1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ -1 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ -1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ -1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ -1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

c) $h = \mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}^3}(1)|_X = 3l - \sum e_i$

d) $K = -h = -3l + \sum e_i$

e) $D \in |h|$ effective $\deg_{\mathbb{P}^3}(D) = 3a - \sum b_i$

f) $D^2 = a^2 - \sum b_i^2$

g) $p_g(D) = \frac{1}{2}(D^2 - d) + 1 = \frac{1}{2}(a-1)(a-2) - \frac{1}{2} \sum b_i(b_i-1)$

Theorem (27 lines)

$$X = \text{Bl}_{P_1, \dots, P_6} \mathbb{P}^2 \quad P_i \text{ generic.}$$

X contains exactly 27 lines, all are -1 curves!

- (i) the exceptional divisors $E_1, \dots, E_6$ 6
 (ii) $\hat{\bigcup}_{i,j} \text{strict transforms of line } L_{ij} = \overline{P_i P_j}$ 15
 (iii) $\hat{\bigcup}_j \text{strict transform of conics through } P_i, i \neq j$. 6

Proof h hyperplane class, K canonical class
 $\Rightarrow h \equiv_{\text{num}} K$ $C_0 \subset X$ genus zero, $\deg_{\mathbb{P}^2}(C_0) = 1$
 ~~$\deg_{\mathbb{P}^2}(C_0) = 1$~~ $(h \cdot C_0)$

$$\text{genus formula} \Rightarrow -2 = (C_0 \cdot C_0 + K)$$

$$\Rightarrow C_0^2 = -1$$

$\Rightarrow C_0$ -1 -curve.

Suppose $C_0 \neq E_1, \dots, E_6$

$$\Rightarrow (C_0 \cdot E_i) = 0 \text{ or } 1$$

distinct lines intersect w/ mult. at most 1. or don't intersect

$$\Rightarrow C_0 \sim_{\text{num}} m H - \sum (C_0 \cdot E_i) E_i$$

$$\Rightarrow 1 = (C_0 \cdot H) = 3m - \sum m_i$$

$$\Rightarrow (m, m_i) = \begin{cases} (1, \text{even 2 at } m_i = 1) & \rightarrow \text{strict transform of} \\ (3, 5 \text{ at } m_i = 1) & \rightarrow \text{strict transform of} \end{cases}$$

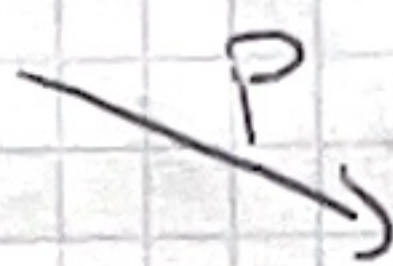
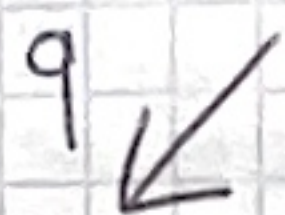
Exercise to check that the strict transform satisfy these descriptions. □

Theorem Every nonsingular cubic surface is the blow up of 6 distinct points on $\mathbb{P}^2$

Proof ^{implies 27 lines & cubics}

Step 1 Every cubic surface contains a line.

$$\mathbb{P}^{19} \times \mathbb{G}(1,3) \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}$$



$$\mathbb{P}^{19} \cong \mathbb{P}(H^0(\mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}^3}(3)))$$

moduli of cubics in $\mathbb{P}^3$

$$p^{-1}(V(z,w))$$

$$= \{ \text{cubics defined by equations } f(x,y,z,w) \text{ with coeff of monomials } x^3, x^2y, xy^2, y^3 = 0 \}$$

$$= \mathbb{P}(H^0(\mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}^3}(3)) / \text{span}\{x^3, x^2y, xy^2, y^3\}) = \mathbb{P}^{15}$$

$$\Rightarrow \dim(\mathbb{Z}) = 19$$

if q not surjective, ~~then~~ $\dim q(\mathbb{Z}) < 19$

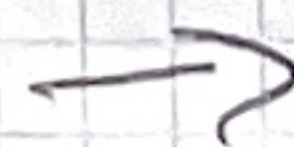
$$\Rightarrow \text{codim } q(\mathbb{Z}) \geq 1$$

$$\Rightarrow q^{-1}(V(f)) = \{ \emptyset \text{ or positive dim'l } \} \forall f.$$

but $\exists V(f)$ w/ finitely many lines

$$\text{Bl}_{p_1, \dots, p_6} \mathbb{P}^2$$

$$\Rightarrow q \text{ surjective}$$



$$\mathbb{G}(1,3) \cong \text{Gr}(2,4) \subset \mathbb{P}^5$$

dim 4
moduli of lines l in $\mathbb{P}^3$ = determined by $\lambda_1, \lambda_2 \in H^0(\mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}^3}(1))$ linearly independent
 $H^0(\mathbb{P} \otimes \mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}^3}(1)) = \mathbb{C}x \oplus \mathbb{C}y \oplus \mathbb{C}z \oplus \mathbb{C}w$

Step 2 X is cubic surface, $l \subset X$ line.

- Then there are exactly 10 lines $l_1, l_1', \dots, l_5, l_5'$ meeting l , which come in pairs that intersect.
- X contains two disjoint lines.

Consider the pencil (= 1-dim lin. system) of hyperplanes containing l : $\{P_t\}_{t \in \mathbb{P}^1}$

$P_t \supset X \cap P_t = l \cup C_t$, $C_t \subset P_t$ conic.

C_t doesn't contain l or a double line.

Suppose $P_t \cap X = V(\lambda_t^2) \cup V(\mu_t)$
 $\Rightarrow X = V(\gamma_t q_t + \lambda_t^2 \mu_t)$ $q_t \in H^0(\mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}^3}(2))$
 $P = V(\gamma_t)$
 $d(\gamma_t q_t + \lambda_t^2 \mu_t) = q_t d\gamma + \gamma d q + 2\lambda_t \mu_t d\lambda + \lambda_t^2 \mu_t d\mu$
 vanishes on $V_t(q_t, \gamma_t, \lambda_t) \subseteq V(\gamma_t, \lambda_t)$
 $\deg 2$ line
 $\Rightarrow X$ singular ∇

$\Rightarrow C_t$ is either a curve or C_t is union of distinct intersecting lines.
(coplanar) ∇

$\mathbb{P}_{x,y,z,w}^3$ write $l = V(z, w) =: F$
 $\Rightarrow X = V(a_1 + 2b_1 xy + c_1 y^2 + 2d_2 x + 2e_2 y + f_3)$
 $a_1, b_1, c_1, d_2, e_2, f_3 \in k[z, w]$, of indicated degrees homogeneous

$C_t \subseteq P_t$ cut out by $F(x, y, tw, w)$ quadric w/coeff $a-f$.
 $V(z\bar{z} + tw)$ (line, quad. form degenerate)

$\Rightarrow C_t$ singular when $\Delta(z, w) = \det \begin{pmatrix} a & b & d \\ b & c & e \\ d & e & f \end{pmatrix} = 0$
 $= a_1 c_1 f_3 + 2b_1 e_2 d_2 + c_1 d_2^2 + a_1 e_2^2 + b_1^2 f_3$

quintic equation — skip details (key point)
 smoothness of X (no repeated roots) $\rightarrow$

Step 3 Construction of birational map.

$l, l' \subset X$ two disjoint lines.

$\pi: \mathbb{P}^3 \dashrightarrow \mathbb{P}^1$ projection from l' $V(z, w)$ $(\mathcal{O}(1), z, w)$

$\pi': \mathbb{P}^3 \dashrightarrow \mathbb{P}^1$ — " — l

π defined on all of X :

base locus of π is $l: V(z, w) \subset \mathbb{P}^3$, resolve π by blowing up l :
 $\tilde{\pi}: \text{Bl}_l \mathbb{P}^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{P}^1$
 on X $\text{Bl}_l X = X$ b/c $l \subset X$ divisor.

$\Rightarrow$ get morphism $\psi: X \xrightarrow{\pi \times \pi'} \mathbb{P}^1 \times \mathbb{P}^1 = l' \times l$.

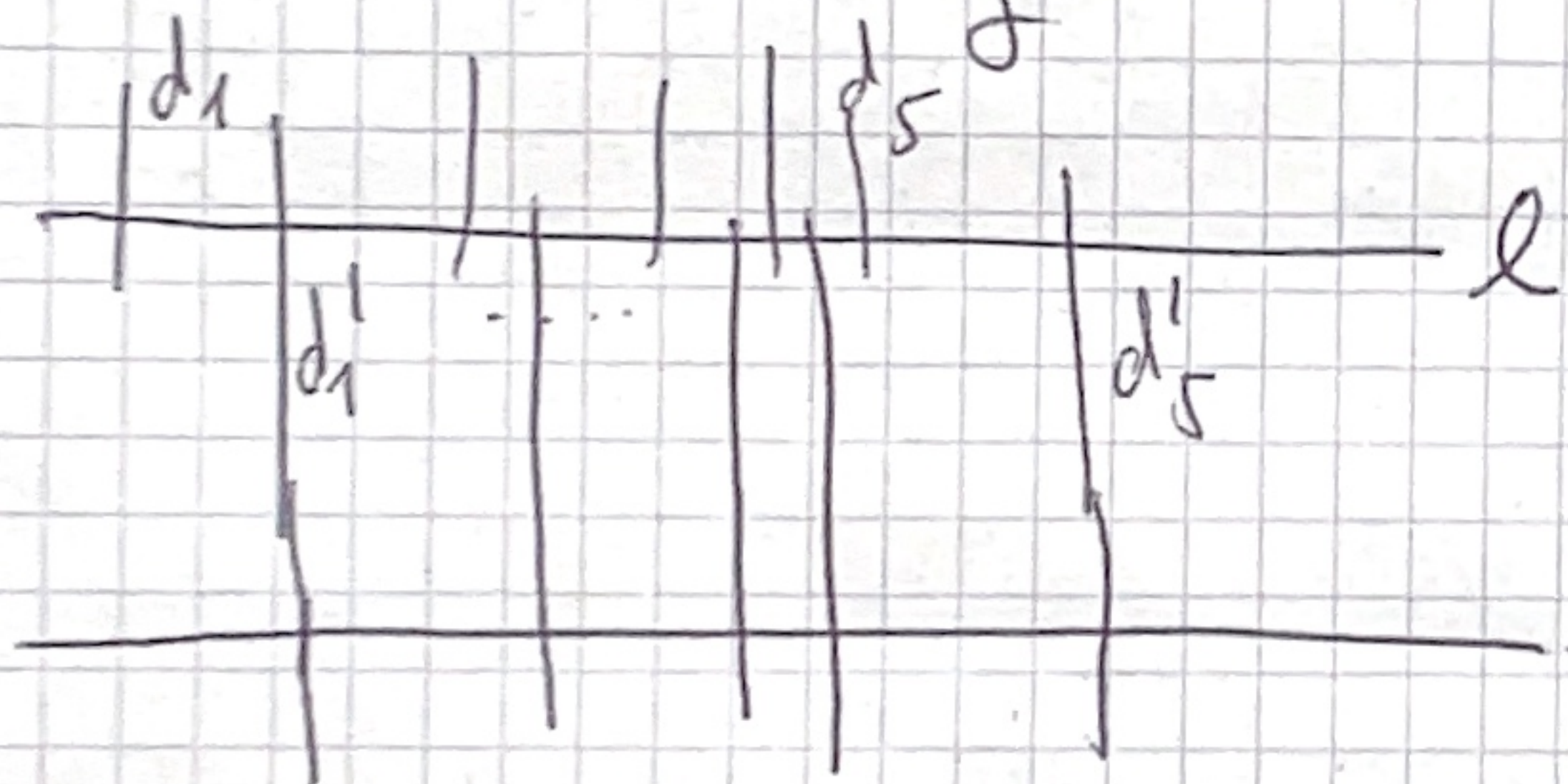
$l' \times l \xrightarrow{\varphi} X$

$(p, q) \mapsto (\overline{pq} \cap X) - \{p, q\}$.
 3 points (generically)

Step 4 $\Rightarrow \psi: X \xrightarrow{\pi \times \pi'} \mathbb{P}^1 \times \mathbb{P}^1$ birational.

$\Rightarrow$ sequence of blow ups. determined by contracted curves

= lines meeting l and l'



$X \cap P_i = l \cup d_i \cup d_i' \subseteq P_i$ plane. must intersect $l' \cap P_i \subseteq \text{line}$ $\underbrace{\quad}_{\text{only one}}$ else coplanar.

$\Rightarrow \psi$ contracts 5 lines

$\Rightarrow X = \text{Bl}_{P_1, \dots, P_5}(\mathbb{P}^1 \times \mathbb{P}^1)$

$\cong \text{Bl}_{P_1, \dots, P_4}(\text{Bl}_{P_5}(\mathbb{P}^1 \times \mathbb{P}^1))$

$\cong \text{Bl}_{P_1, \dots, P_4}(\text{Bl}_{P_5, P_6}(\mathbb{P}^2)) \cong \text{Bl}_{P_1, \dots, P_6}(\mathbb{P}^2)$

□