The moduli of abelian varieties and its compactification

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1 Hesse cubic curves

$$C(\mu): x_0^3 + x_1^3 + x_2^3 - 3\mu x_0 x_1 x_2 = 0$$
  
 $(\mu \in \mathbf{P}^1_{\mathbf{C}})$ 



# $x_0^3+x_1^3+x_2^3-3\mu x_0x_1x_2=0$ if $\mu$ gets close to $\infty$



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# $x_0^3+x_1^3+x_2^3-3\mu x_0x_1x_2=0~(\mu\in { m C})$ if $\mu$ gets much closer to $\infty$



$$x_0^3 + x_1^3 + x_2^3 - 3\mu x_0 x_1 x_2 = 0 \ (\mu^3 = 1 \ ext{or} \ \infty)$$
  
It degenerates into 3 copies of  $\mathrm{P}^1 \ (= S^2)$ 



### Thm 1 (Hesse 1849)

#### 2 Moduli of cubic curves

#### Thm 2 (classical form)

# $egin{aligned} A_{1,3} &:= \{ ext{nonsing. cubics with 9 inflection pts}\}/ ext{ isom.}\ &\simeq \mathrm{C} \setminus \{1,\zeta_3,\zeta_3^2\} \simeq \mathrm{H}/\Gamma(3) \ (\mathrm{H}: ext{upper half plane})\ &= \{(\mathrm{C}/(\mathrm{Z}+\mathrm{Z} au),(i+j au)/3), au \in \mathrm{H}\}/ ext{ isom.}\ & au \mapsto au' = rac{a au+b}{c au+d}, \ & egin{bmatrix} a & b\ c & d \end{bmatrix} \equiv egin{bmatrix} 1 & 0\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \mod 3 \end{aligned}$

 $\overline{A_{1,3}} := \{ ext{stable cubics with 9 inflection pts} \} / ext{ isom.} \ = \{ ext{Hesse cubics} \} / ext{isom=id} \ = A_{1,3} \cup \left\{ C(\mu); \mu^3 = 1 ext{ or } \infty \right\} \simeq \mathrm{P}^1.$ 

We wish to extend this to aribitrary dimension

- 1. over  $Z[\zeta_N, 1/N]$  or over Z (including bad primes)
- 2. to define a representable functor  $F := SQ_{g,K}$  (fine moduli) of compact obj.
- 3. to relate to GIT stability, that is,

to aim at F(k) =GIT stable objects for k alg. closed (This is missing in any other theory such as Alexeev, Olsson, Faltings-Chai) This is very difficult in general because it classifies stable objects completely. There are difficulties never seen in dimension one

- Classical level structure = base of n-divison points,
- Since singular limits of Abelian varieties are very reducible in general, level structure may cause nonseparatedness of the moduli
- That is, we need to prove in any dimension, Lemma. (Valuative Lemma for Separatedness) Let R be a DVR with frac. fld  $K, X, Y \in F(R)$ . If  $X_K \simeq Y_K$ , then  $X \simeq Y$ . Or rather, if isom over K, then isom over R.

- separated = Hausdorff, (e.g. if X projective, then separated)
- X: non-separated = non Hausdorff,
- If non-Hausdorff, then  $\exists P_n \in X \ (n = 1, 2, \cdots),$

 $P = \lim P_n, Q = \lim P_n$ . But  $P \neq Q$ 

• This really happens in geometry.

**Example** R: DVR, q: uniformizer of R, K = R[1/q],

E, E' : elliptic curves over R

$$\mathrm{E}: y^2 = x^3 - q^6, \quad \mathrm{E}': Y^2 = X^3 - 1,$$
 $P := \mathrm{E}_0: y^2 = x^3, \quad Q := \mathrm{E}_0': Y^2 = X^3 - 1,$ 
 $\mathrm{E}_K: (y/q^3)^2 = (x/q^2)^3 - 1, \quad \mathrm{E}_K': Y^2 = X^3 - 1$ 
Hence  $P_n := \mathrm{E}_K \simeq \mathrm{E}_K', \ P = \lim \mathrm{E}_K, \ Q = \lim \mathrm{E}_K', \ \mathrm{But} \ P \neq Q$ 

To overcome the difficulty of level str. we do as follows:

- New level structure = Framing of irreducible reps.
- Use the action of Heisenberg gp instead of n-div. pts
- To prove Val. Lemma for Separatedness, we use

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Schur's Lemma over R.
Let R any ring over Z[\zeta_N, 1/N], G: Heisenberg
gp \subset GL(V \otimes R), V irr. rep. of G, |G| = N.
Let h \in GL(V \otimes R). If gh = hg for \forall g \in G,
then h is scalar.
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Let R: DVR, q: unif. of R, K = R[1/q].

- 1. Given a pair of SQASes X, Y over R s.t.  $X_K \simeq Y_K$ 2. If h is isom. of SQASes  $X_K$ ,  $Y_K$  over K, then gh = hg for any  $g \in G$ , and  $h \in GL(V \otimes K)$ .
- 3. By Schur's Lemma. Then  $h = c \operatorname{id}_{V \otimes K}$ .
- 4. Hence  $h = id_{P(V \otimes K)}$ , hence h extends to  $id_{P(V \otimes R)}$ ,
- 5. hence  $X \simeq Y$  over R, This proves Valuative Lemma.

Next Representability of the functor (page 10).

Case  $g = 1, X_0(N)$  the integral model of  $\overline{\mathrm{H}/\Gamma_0(N)}$ .

$$\Gamma_0(N) = \left\{ egin{bmatrix} a & b \ c & d \end{bmatrix} \in \mathrm{SL}(2,\mathrm{Z}); c \equiv 0 \mod N 
ight\}$$

Thm 3 (Mazur)  $X_0(N)(Q) = cusps$  for N large.

Corollary Let g be an autom. of an elliptic curve.  $\operatorname{ord}(g) \neq 11$ , but  $\leq 12$ .  $F(S) = SQ_{g,K}(S)$  for any S over  $\mathbb{Z}[\zeta_N, 1/N]$ , hence in particular,  $F(\mathbb{Q}(\zeta_N)) = SQ_{g,K}(\mathbb{Q}(\zeta_N)).$ 

Conjecture  $SQ_{g,K}(Q(\zeta_N)) \subset \text{Boundary for } N$  large.

#### We re-start with

#### Thm 4 (classical form)

 $egin{aligned} &A_{1,3}:=\{ ext{nonsing. cubics with 9 inflection pts}\}/ ext{ isom.}\ &\overline{A_{1,3}}:=\{ ext{stable cubics with 9 inflection pts}\}/ ext{ isom.}\ &=\{ ext{Hesse cubics}\}/ ext{isom=id}\ &=A_{1,3}\cup\left\{C(\mu);\mu^3=1\, ext{or}\,\infty
ight\}\simeq\mathrm{P}^1. \end{aligned}$ 

We convert it into G(3)-equivariant theory

G(3): Heisenberg group of level 3

the Heisenberg group G = G(3) of level 3

$$egin{aligned} G &= \langle \sigma, au 
angle \; ext{ acts on } V, ext{ order } |G| = 27, \ V &= ext{C} x_0 + ext{C} x_1 + ext{C} x_2, \ \sigma(x_i) &= \zeta_3^i x_i, \quad au(x_i) = x_{i+1} \quad (i \in ext{Z}/3 ext{Z}) \end{aligned}$$

 $\zeta_3$  is a primitive cube root of 1, We will see later (page 22/23) $x_0^3 + x_1^3 + x_2^3, x_0 x_1 x_2 \in S^3 V$  only are *G*-invariant

$$x_0^3 + x_1^3 + x_2^3 - 3\mu x_0 x_1 x_2 = 0 \ (\mu \in \mathrm{C}),$$

"Hesse cubic curves" in  $P^2$ 

#### **generalized**

A compactification of moduli of abelian varieties

#### **3** Theta functions

Why-How does G(3) get involved ?,  $E(\tau)$  : an elliptic curve /C

$$E( au)=\mathrm{C}/(\mathrm{Z}+\mathrm{Z} au)=\mathrm{C}^*/w\mapsto wq^6,\quad q=e^{2\pi i au/6}$$

**Def 5** Theta functions 
$$(k = 0, 1, 2)$$

$$heta_k( au,z) = \sum_{m\in {
m Z}} q^{(k+3m)^2} w^{k+3m} = \sum_{k+y\in k+Y} q^{(k+y)^2} w^{k+y}$$
  
where  $w=e^{2\pi i z},\,Y=3{
m Z}\subset X={
m Z},\,k\in X/Y={
m Z}/3{
m Z}.$ 

Define a map  $\Theta: E(\tau) \to \mathbf{P}^2_{\mathbf{C}}$  as

 $z ~\mapsto~ [ heta_0( au,z), heta_1( au,z), heta_2( au,z)]$ 

This is a closed immersion, Idenitify  $\theta_k = x_k$ 

G(3) get involved as follows :

Recall again

$$egin{aligned} & heta_k( au,z+rac{1}{3})=\zeta_3^k heta_k( au,z),\ & heta_k( au,z+rac{ au}{3})=q^{-1}w^{-1} heta_{k+1}( au,z),\ &[ heta_0, heta_1, heta_2]( au,z+rac{ au}{3})=[ heta_1, heta_2, heta_0]( au,z) \end{aligned}$$

where  $w=e^{2\pi i z},\,q=e^{2\pi i au/6}$ 

 $\sigma, \tau$  are liftings of these to GL(3):

$$z \mapsto z + rac{1}{3} ext{ is lifted to } \sigma( heta_k) = \zeta_3^k heta_k$$
 $z \mapsto z + rac{ au}{3} ext{ is lifted to } au( heta_k) = heta_{k+1}$ 

(To be more precise, we need to consider contragredient rep.) Then G(3) := the group  $\langle \sigma, \tau \rangle$  Let  $V = Rx_0 + Rx_1 + Rx_2$ , char. $R \neq 3$ , R any ring, Define  $\sigma, \tau \in \text{End}(V)$ , and G(3) := the group  $\langle \sigma, \tau \rangle$ 

$$\sigma(x_k) = \zeta_3^k x_k, \quad au(x_k) = x_{k+1}$$

Then  $[\sigma, \tau] := \sigma \tau \sigma^{-1} \tau^{-1} = (\zeta_3 \cdot \mathrm{id}_V)$  Thus G(3) is of order 27.

**Lemma 6** For R any ring with  $1/3 \in R$ , V is G(3)-irreducible, that is, it has no proper G(3)-subspace except IV, I any ideal of R.

Schur's lemma follows, Hence the base  $x_j$  are unique up to simulataneous constant multiple.

Thus G(3) determines  $x_j$  "uniquely"

 $x_j$  is viewed as an algebraic theta function.

We recall Formulae:

$$egin{aligned} & heta_k( au,z+rac{1}{3})=\zeta_3^k heta_k( au,z),\ & heta_k( au,z+rac{ au}{3})=q^{-1}w^{-1} heta_{k+1}( au,z) \end{aligned}$$

Define a map  $\Theta: E(\tau) \to \mathbf{P}^2_{\mathbf{C}}$  as

$$z \;\mapsto\; [ heta_0( au,z), heta_1( au,z), heta_2( au,z)]$$

This is a closed immersion, Identify  $\theta_k = x_k$ The cubic curve  $\Theta(E(\tau))$  is G(3)-invariant,

It is a Hesse cubic curve. Why? (Compare page 18)

As a G(3)-module,

$$S^3V = \mathbf{2} \cdot \mathbf{1}_0 \oplus igoplus_{j=1}^8(1_j)$$

where

$$egin{aligned} \mathbf{2} \cdot \mathbf{1}_0 &= \{x_0^3 + x_1^3 + x_2^3, \; x_0 x_1 x_2\}, \ &1_j &= \{x_0^3 + \zeta_3^j x_1^3 + \zeta_3^{2j} x_2^3\} \quad (j = 1, 2) \ &1_k &= \{x_0^2 x_1 + \zeta_3 x_1^2 x_2 + \zeta_3^2 x_2^2 x_0\} \quad (k \geq 3) \end{aligned}$$

 $2 \cdot 1_0$  gives the equation of  $\Theta(E(\tau))$  (Compare page 18)

$$x_0^3+x_1^3+x_2^3-3\mu( au)x_0x_1x_2=0$$

because Hesse cubics form a one parameter family.

#### 4 Stability for compactification

moduli = the set of isomorphism classes,

roughly, "moduli" = X/G, where G: algebraic group

**Comparison Table** 

GIT	Geometry
X	the set of geometric objects
G	the group of isomorphisms
x, x' are isom.	G-orbits are the same $O(x) = O(x')$
$X_{ps}$	stable objects
$X_{ss}$	semistable objects
$X_{ps}/G$	"moduli"
$X_{ss}/\!/G$	"compactification" of moduli

- A lot of compactif. of the moduli of abelian varieties are known.
  Satake , Baily-Borel, Mumford, Namikawa (/C), Faltings-Chai,
  What is nice? What is natural?
- Naively wish "to classify the isomorphism classes by invariants"

(algebraic) moduli = the set of isom. classes distinguished (or identified) by the invariants

- But it is difficult to investigate by the invariants.
- it is easier to investigate geometrically.
- Consider only those geometric objects (= semi-stable objects) with their invariants well-defined



• Thus **Stability and Semistability** (Mumford:GIT)

#### 5 The space of closed orbits

X	the set of geometric objects
G	the group of isomorphisms
x, x' are isom.	G-orbits are the same $O(x) = O(x')$
$X_{ps}$	the set of properly-stable objects
$X_{ss}$	the set of semistable objects
$X_{ss}//G$	"compact moduli"

Rem

stability  $\implies$  closed orbits  $\implies$  semistability



Action on 
$$C^2$$
 of  $G = G_m (= C^*)$ ,

$$\mathrm{C}^2 
i (x,y) \mapsto (lpha x, lpha^{-1} y) \quad (lpha \in \mathrm{G}_m)$$

What is the quotient of  $C^2$  by G?

- Simple answer : the set of G-orbits ( $\times$ )
- Answer : Spec(the ring of all *G*-invariant poly.)( )

• t := xy (and its polynomials) is the unique G-invariant !

$$\mathrm{C}^2/\!/G := \operatorname{Spec} \mathrm{C}[t] = \{t \in \mathrm{C}\}$$

But this is different from "the set of G-orbits".

•  $C^2//G = \{t \in C\}$  is the set of all closed orbits !!



- t = 0 is a point of  $\mathbb{C}^2 / / G$ .
- But  $\{xy = 0\}$  consists of three *G*-orbits

 ${
m C}^* imes \{0\}, \quad \{0\} imes {
m C}^*, \quad \{(0,0)\}$ 

•  $\{(0,0)\}$  is the only closed orbit in  $\{xy = 0\}$ 

Thm 7 
$$C^2//G = \{t \in C\} \ (t = xy)$$
 is the set of all closed orbits.

Proof of Thm 7 : (Compare page 41)

- $O(t) = \{(x, y); xy = t\}$  is a closed orbit for any  $t \neq 0$ .
- For t = 0,  $\{(0,0)\}$  is the only closed orbit in  $\{xy = 0\}$
- Any  $t \in \mathbb{C}$  corresp. to a unique closed orbit in  $\{xy = t\}$

Thm 8 (Seshadri,Mumford) G: reductive, acting on a scheme X, (e.g.  $G = G_m$ ). Let  $X_{ss} =$  the set of semistable points. Then  $X_{ss}//G :=$ Spec(all G-invariants) = the set of closed orbits.

Closed means that the orbit is closed in  $X_{ss}$ .

Thm 9 (Seshadri-Mumford) Let X be a projective scheme over a closed field k, G a reductive algebraic k-group acting on X. Let  $X_{ss}$  be an open subscheme of all semistable points in X, Then  $\exists$  (cat.) quotient  $Y = X_{ss}//G$ . To be more precise,

(0)  $\exists$  a proj. k-scheme Y and a G-invariant  $\pi : X_{ss} \to Y$  such that (1)  $\pi$  is universal

(2) For  $a, b \in X_{ss}$ ,  $\pi(a) = \pi(b)$  iff  $\overline{O(a)} \cap \overline{O(b)} \neq \emptyset$ 

where the closure is taken in  $X_{ss}$ ,

(3) Y(k) = the set of *G*-orbits closed in  $X_{ss}$ .

**Def 10** We keep the same notation as in Theorem 9 (Seshadri-Mumford). Let  $p \in X$ .

(1) the point p is said to be semistable if there exists a G-invariant homogeneous polynomial F on X such that F(p) ≠ 0,
(2) the point p is said to be Kempf-stable if the orbit O(p) is closed

#### in $X_{ss}$ ,

(3) the point p is said to be *properly-stable* if p is Kempf-stable and the stabilizer subgroup of p in G is finite. We note that if  $a, b \in X_{ps}$ , (or if a, b Kempf-stable)

$$\pi(a) = \pi(b) \iff \overline{O(a)} \cap \overline{O(b)} \neq \emptyset$$
  
 $\iff O(a) \cap O(b) \neq \emptyset$   
 $\iff O(a) = O(b)$   
 $\iff a \text{ and } b \text{ are isomorphic.}$ 

- 1. Each point of  $X_{ps}$  gives a closed orbit and
- 2. the first moduli  $X_{ps}//G = X_{ps}/G$  (just the orbit space),
- 3. Moreover  $X_{ps}//G$  is compactified by  $X_{ss}//G$ .

This is currently one of the most powerful methods for compactifying moduli spaces. Thus we consider only those objects with closed orbits

As its consequence we will see

- Abelian varieties have closed orbits (Kempf), and
- our SQASes have closed orbits,
- Conversely, any degenerate abelian scheme with closed orbit

is one of our SQASes

- There is a simple characterization of our SQASes,
- This characterization enables us to compactify of the moduli of abelian varieties.

#### 6 GIT-stability and stable critical points

Recall

• Definition of GIT-stability (born in 1965) has

nothing to do with stable critical points

• But it has to do with stable critical points.

Let V: vector space, G: reductive group acting on V,

K: a max. compact subgp of G,

 $\|\cdot\|$ : K-inv. metric

$$p_v(g):=\|g\cdot v\|\,\,(v\in V)$$

Thm 11 (Kempf-Ness 1979) The following are equivalent

(1) the orbit O(v) is closed (= GIT-stable)

(2)  $p_v$  attains a minimum on O(v)

(3)  $p_v$  has a (stable) critical point on O(v)

Exam 2 Let  $G = C^*$ ,  $K = S^1$ ,  $V = C^2$ ,

$${
m C}^2 
i (x,y) \mapsto (tx,t^{-1}y) \quad (t\in G)$$
 $p_v(g):=\|(x,y)\|^2=|x|^2+|y|^2, \quad v=(x,y)$ 

• If 
$$v = (x, y)$$
 and  $xy = t \neq 0$ ,  
then  $p_v$  attains the min. when  $|tx| = |t^{-1}y|$   
because  $|tx|^2 + |t^{-1}y|^2 \ge 2|tx \cdot t^{-1}y| = 2|xy|$ .

• If 
$$xy = 0$$
, then  $p_v$  attains min. at  $(0, 0)$ .

• When xy = 0,  $p_v$  has no min. on  $C^* \times \{0\}, \{0\} \times C^*$ where  $\{xy = 0\} = \{(0,0)\} \cup C^* \times \{0\} \cup \{0\} \times C^*$
# 7 Stable curves of Deligne-Mumford

**Def 12** 
$$C$$
 is a stable curve of a genus  $g$  if

- (0) it is a connected projective reduced curve
- (1) with finite automorphism group,
- (2) the singularities of C are like xy = 0
- $(3) \dim H^1(O_C) = g$

Thm 13(Deligne-Mumford 1969+ Knudsen)Let  $\overline{M_g}$ : moduli of stable curves of genus g, $M_g$ : moduli of nonsing. curves of genus g.Then  $\overline{M_g}$  is projective (compact), $M_g$  is a Zariski open subset of  $\overline{M_g}$ .

Caution: Definition of stable curves is irrelevant to GIT stability

Nevertheless we have

Thm 14 The following are equivalent

- (1) C is a stable curve (moduli-stable)
- (2) any Hilbert point of  $\Phi_{|mK|}(C)$  is GIT-stable (GIT-stable)

(3) any Chow point of  $\Phi_{|mK|}(C)$  is GIT-stable (GIT-stable)

(1) $\Leftrightarrow$ (2) Gieseker 1982 (actually done before Mumford's work) (1) $\Leftrightarrow$ (3) Mumford 1977 (suggested by Gieseker's work)

# 8 Stability of cubic curves

CUBIC CURVES	STABILITY	STAB GP.
smooth elliptic	stable	finite
3-gon	closed orbits	2-dim
a line+a conic (transv.)	semistable	1-dim
irred. with node	semistable	finite
others	unstable	1-dim

**Thm 15** For a cubic C, the following cond. are equiv.

(1) C has a closed SL(3)-orbit in  $(S^3V)_{ss}$ 

(2) C is a Hesse cubic curve, that is, G(3)-invariant

(3) C is either smooth elliptic or a 3-gon

Exam 3

$$C_{a,b,c} : ax_0^3 + bx_1^3 + cx_2^3 - x_0x_1x_2 = 0.$$
 (1)

The diagonal subgroup  $G \simeq (G_m)^2$  of SL(3) on the parameter space Spec k[a, b, c] acts by

$$(a, b, c) \mapsto (sa, tb, uc)$$
 (2)

where stu = 1, and  $s, t, u \in G_m$ . We also see

(i) (G<sub>m</sub>)<sup>2</sup>-Kempf-stable points are abc ≠ 0 or (a, b, c) = (0, 0, 0),
(ii) (G<sub>m</sub>)<sup>2</sup>-semistable points which are not (G<sub>m</sub>)<sup>2</sup>-Kempf-stable are abc = 0 except (0, 0, 0). (Compare page 30)

# 9 Stability in higher-dim.

**Thm 16** (N.1999) k is alg. closed , char.k and |K| are coprime  $K \ (\cong H \oplus H^{\vee})$ : a finite symplectic abelian group, large enough G(K): Heisenberg gp assoc. to  $K, V = k[H^{\vee}]$ : gp ring of  $H^{\vee}$ Assume X is a limit of abelian varieties with K-torsions (Here K large enough implies  $X \subset P(V)$ )

Then the following are equivalent:

- (1) X has a closed SL(V)-orbit in Hilb<sub>ss</sub> (GIT-stable)
- (2) X is invariant under G(K) (G(K)-stable)
- (3) X is one of our SQASes (moduli-stable)

#### Thm 17 For cubics the following are equiv:

- (1) it has a closed SL(3)-orbit (GIT-stable)
- (2) it is a Hesse cubic, that is , G(3)-invariant (G(3)-stable)
- (3) it is smooth elliptic or a 3-gon. (moduli-stable)

# This is generalized into

Thm 18Let X be a degenerate abelian variety (posssibly nonsingular). The following are equivalent under natural assump.:(1) it has a closed SL(V)-orbit(GIT-stable)(2) X is invariant under G(K)(G(K)-stable)(3) it is one of our SQASes (moduli-stable)

10 Moduli over  $Z[\zeta_N, 1/N]$ 



(a new version of the theorem of Hesse)

$$SQ_{1,3}=\mathrm{P}^1_{\mathrm{Z}[\zeta_3,1/3]},$$

the projective fine moduli

(1) The universal cubic curve

$$\mu_0(x_0^3+x_1^3+x_2^3)-3\mu_1x_0x_1x_2=0$$

where  $(\mu_0, \mu_1) \in SQ_{1,3} = \mathrm{P}^1.$ 

(2) when k is alg. closed and char.  $k \neq 3$ 

 $SQ_{1,3}(k) = \left\{ egin{array}{l} {
m closed \ orbit \ cubic \ curves \ /k} \ {
m with \ level \ 3-structure} \end{array} 
ight\} /{
m isom.} = \left\{ egin{array}{l} {
m Hesse \ cubics \ /k} \ {
m with \ level \ 3-structure} \end{array} 
ight\} /{
m isom.=id.}$  $A_{1,3}(k) = \begin{cases} \text{closed orbit nonsingular cubic curves } /k \\ \text{with level 3-structure} \end{cases} \text{/isom.}$  $= \begin{cases} \text{nonsingular Hesse cubics } /k \\ \text{with level 3-structure} \end{cases} \text{/isom.=id.}$ 

(N. 1999) There exists the fine moduli  $SQ_{g,K}$ Thm 20 projective over  $\mathrm{Z}[\zeta_N, 1/N], \, N = \sqrt{|K|}$ For k : alg. closed, if char.k and  $N = \sqrt{|K|}$  are coprime  $SQ_{g,K}(k) = \begin{cases} \text{degenerate abelian schemes } /k \\ \text{with level } G(K)\text{-structure} \\ \text{and a closed SL-orbit} \end{cases} /\text{isom.}$  $= \begin{cases} G(K)\text{-invariant degenerate} \\ \text{abelian schemes } /k \\ \text{with level } G(K)\text{-structure} \end{cases}$  $= \begin{cases} G(K)\text{-invariant SQAS } /k \\ \text{with level } G(K)\text{-structure} \end{cases}$ 

$$egin{aligned} & A_{g,K}(k) = \left\{ egin{aligned} & ( ext{nonsingular}) ext{ abelian schemes } /k \ & ext{with level } G(K) ext{-structure} \ & ext{ and a closed SL - orbit} \end{array} 
ight\} / ext{isom.} \ & = \left\{ egin{aligned} & G(K) ext{-invariant (nonsingular)} \ & ext{abelian schemes } /k \ & ext{with level } G(K) ext{-structure} \end{array} 
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ight\} \end{aligned}$$

Compare page 78.

## 11 Tate curve and SQAS

SQAS : a generalization of Tate curve, R:DVR

Tate curve :  $\mathrm{G}_m(R)/w\mapsto qw$ 

Hesse cubics at  $\infty$  :  $\mathrm{G}_m(R)/w\mapsto q^3w$ 

Rewrite Tate curve as :  $G_m(R)/w^n \mapsto q^{mn}w^n (m \in Z)$ Hesse cubics at  $\infty$  :  $G_m(R)/w^n \mapsto q^{3mn}w^n (m \in Z)$ 

The general case : B pos. def. symmetric

 $\mathrm{G}_m(R)^g/w^x\mapsto q^{B(x,y)}b(x,y)w^x, \quad b(x,y)\in R^ imes \ \ (x\in X,y\in Y)$ 

"natural limit as  $q \to 0$ "  $\implies$ 

3-gon and SQAS are born

# 12 Faltings-Chai degeneration data

R: a discrete valuation ring R, m the max. ideal of R,  $k(0) = R/m, \, k(\eta)$ : the fraction field of R Let (G, L) a quasi abelian scheme over R, That is,  $(G_{\eta}, L_{\eta})$ : abelian variety over  $k(\eta)$ and suppose that  $G_0$  is a split torus over k(0),  $({}^{t}G, {}^{t}L)$ : the (connected) Neron model of  $({}^{t}G_{\eta}, {}^{t}L_{\eta})$ May then suppose that  $({}^{t}G_{0}, {}^{t}L_{0})$  is a split torus over k(0)Then we have a Faltings Chai degeneration data ass. to (G, L) Let  $X = \operatorname{Hom}(G_0, G_m), \quad Y = \operatorname{Hom}({}^tG_0, G_m).$ 

Hence  $X \simeq \mathbb{Z}^g$ ,  $Y \simeq \mathbb{Z}^g$ , Y : a sublattice of X of finite index.

**BECAUSE**  $\exists$  a natural surjective morphism  $G \to^t G$ ,  $\exists$  a surjective morphism  $G_0 \to^t G_0$ ,  $\exists$  Hom $({}^tG_0, G_m) \to$  Hom $(G_0, G_m)$ , Hence  $\exists$  an injective homom.  $Y \to X$  Consider always over  $Z[\zeta_N, 1/N]$ ,

Let  $K = X/Y \oplus (X/Y)^{\vee}, G(K)$ : Heisenberg group

$$1 o \mu_N o G(K) o K o 0( ext{exact})$$
 $R[X/Y] = \oplus_{x \in X/Y} R \; v(x) \quad ( ext{the group algebra of } X/Y)$ 

$$(a,z,lpha)\cdot v(x)=alpha(x)v(z+x)$$

 $H^0(G,L)$ : G(K)-irreducible  $\simeq R[X/Y]$ 

 $\Rightarrow$  a unique basis  $v(x) = \theta_x \in H^0(G, L)$  (theta functions)

Let  $G_{\text{for}}$ : the formal completion of G along  $G_0$ 

$$G_{\mathrm{for}}\simeq (\mathrm{G}^g_{m,R})_{\mathrm{for}}$$

 $heta_x \; (x \in X/Y)$  are expanded on  $G_{ ext{for}}$  as

$$heta_x = \sum_{y \in Y} a(x+y) w^{x+y}$$

These a(x) satisfy the conditions:

$$egin{aligned} (1) \ a(0) &= 1, \ a(x) \in k(\eta)^{ imes} & (orall x \in X), \ (2) \ b(x,y) &:= a(x+y)a(x)^{-1}a(y)^{-1} ext{ is bilinear } (x,y \in X) \ (3) \ B(x,y) &:= ext{val}_q(a(x+y)a(x)^{-1}a(y)^{-1}) ext{ is positive definite} \ (x,y \in X) \end{aligned}$$

These a(x) are called a degeneration data of (G, L)

**Exam 4** If 
$$g = 1, N = 3$$
, then theta functions  $(k = 0, 1, 2)$ 

$$heta_k= heta_k( au,z)=\sum_{m\in {
m Z}}q^{(3m+\kappa)^*}w^{3m+\kappa}=\sum_{3m\in Y}a(3m+k)w^{3m+\kappa}$$

where  $w \in \mathcal{G}_m$ ,  $a(x) = q^{x^2}$ ,  $X = \mathbb{Z}$  and  $Y = 3\mathbb{Z}$ , B(x, y) = 2xy.

#### **Def 21**

$$\widetilde{R}:=R[a(x)w^xartheta,x\in X]$$
  
Define an action of  $Y$  on  $\widetilde{R}$  by $S_y(a(x)w^xartheta)=a(x+y)w^{x+y}artheta$ 

 $\operatorname{Proj}(\widetilde{R}):$  locally of finite type over R $\mathcal{X}:$  the formal completion of  $\operatorname{Proj}(\widetilde{R})$  $\mathcal{X}/Y:$  the top. quot. of  $\mathcal{X}$  by Y $O_{\mathcal{X}}(1)$  descends to  $\mathcal{X}/Y:$  ample Grothendieck (EGA) guarantees  $\exists$  a projective *R*-scheme  $(Z, O_Z(1))$ s.t. the formal completion  $Z_{\text{for}}$  of Z  $Z_{\text{for}} \simeq \mathcal{X}/Y$   $(Z_{\eta}, O_{Z_{\eta}}(1)) \simeq (G_{\eta}, L_{\eta})$ (the stable reduction theorem) The central fiber  $(Z_0, O_{Z_0}(1))$  is our (P)SQAS.

If we take the normalization  $Z^{\text{norm}}$  of Z with  $Z_0^{\text{norm}}$  reduced, we get a bit different central fiber  $(Z_0^{\text{norm}}, O_{Z_0^{\text{norm}}}(1))$ , we call it TSQAS.

# **Exam 5** g = 1, X = Z, Y = 3Z. $\mathcal{X} = \operatorname{Proj}(\widetilde{R}), \quad a(x) = q^{x^2}, \, (x \in X)$ The scheme $\mathcal{X}$ is covered with affine $V_n = \operatorname{Spec} R[a(x)w^x/a(n)w^n, x \in X]$ $V_n \simeq \operatorname{Spec} R[x_n, y_n]/(x_n y_n - q^2) \quad (n \in \mathbb{Z})$ $x_n = q^{2n+1}w, \ y_n = q^{-2n+1}w^{-1}.$ $(V_n)_0 = \{(x_n, y_n) \in k(0)^2; x_n y_n = 0\}$ $\mathcal{X}_0$ : a chain of infinitely many $\mathrm{P}^1_{k(0)}$

$$egin{array}{ll} Y ext{ acts on } \mathcal{X}_0 ext{ as } V_n \stackrel{S_{-3}}{ o} V_{n+3}, \ (x_n,y_n) \stackrel{S_{-3}}{\mapsto} (x_{n+3},y_{n+3}) = (x_n,y_n) \end{array}$$

 $(\mathcal{X}_0/Y: ext{ a cycle of 3 } \mathrm{P}^1_{k(0)}, \, (\mathcal{X}/Y)^{\mathrm{alg}}_\eta: ext{ a Hesse cubic over } k(\eta),$ 



#### 13 Limits of theta functions

E( au) is embedded in  $\mathrm{P}^2$  by theta  $heta_k$ :  $heta_k(q,w) = \sum_{m\in \mathbf{Z}} q^{(3m+k)^2} w^{3m+k} \quad (k=0,1,2)$  $heta_0^3 + heta_1^3 + heta_2^3 = 3\mu(q) heta_0 heta_1 heta_2$ Let R DVR, q uniformizer,  $I = qR, w = q^{-1}u$  $u \in R \setminus I, \overline{u} = u \mod I$  $heta_k = \sum_{y \in Y} a(y+k)w^{y+k}$ 

$$\begin{split} \theta_0(q, q^{-1}u) &= \sum_{m \in \mathbb{Z}} q^{9m^2 - 3m} u^{3m} \\ &= 1 + q^6 u^3 + q^{12} u^{-3} + \cdots \\ \theta_1(q, q^{-1}u) &= \sum_{m \in \mathbb{Z}} q^{(3m+1)^2 - 3m - 1} u^{3m+1} \\ &= u + q^6 u^{-2} + q^{12} u^4 + \cdots \\ \theta_2(q, q^{-1}u) &= \sum_{m \in \mathbb{Z}} q^{(3m+2)^2 - 3m - 2} u^{3m+2} \\ &= q^2 \cdot (u^2 + u^{-1} + q^{18} u^5 + \cdots) \\ & \downarrow \end{split}$$

 $\lim_{q
ightarrow 0} \ [ heta_k(q,q^{-1}u)] = [{f 1},{f \overline u},0] \in {
m P}^2$ 

# $egin{aligned} & ext{In} \ \mathrm{P}^2 \ & ext{Im}_{q o 0} \ [ heta_k(q,q^{-1}u)]_{k=0,1,2} = [1,\overline{u},0] \ & ext{Similarly} \ & ext{Iim}_{q o 0} \ [ heta_k(q,q^{-3}u)]_{k=0,1,2} = [0,1,\overline{u}] \ & ext{Iim}_{q o 0} \ [ heta_k(q,q^{-3}u)]_{k=0,1,2} = [\overline{u},0,1] \end{aligned}$



$$w = q^{-2\lambda}u ext{ and } u \in R \setminus I.$$
 $\lim_{q o 0} \ [ heta_k(q,q^{-2\lambda}u)] = \ \left\{ egin{array}{c} [1,0,0] & ( ext{if } -1/2 < \lambda < 1/2), \ [0,1,0] & ( ext{if } 1/2 < \lambda < 3/2), \ [0,0,1] & ( ext{if } 3/2 < \lambda < 5/2). \end{array} 
ight.$ 



When  $\lambda$  ranges in R, the same limits repeat mod Y = 3Z. Thus  $\lim_{\tau \to \infty} C(\mu(\tau))$  is the 3-gon  $x_0 x_1 x_2 = 0$ .

**Def 22** For  $\lambda \in X \otimes_{\mathbb{Z}} \mathbb{R}$  fixed

$$F_\lambda(x)=x^2-2\lambda x\quad (x\in X={
m Z})$$

Define  $D(\lambda)$  (a Delaunay cell) by

the conv. closure of all  $a \in X$  s.t.  $F_{\lambda}(a) = \min\{F_{\lambda}(x); x \in X\}.$ 



# 14 The shape of SQAS

"Limits of theta functions are described by the Delaunay decomposition."

SQAS is a geometric limit of theta functions

SQAS is a generalization of 3-gons.

which is described by the Delaunay decomposition.

Hesse cubics at  $\infty$  :  $\mathrm{G}_m(R)/w^n\mapsto q^{3mn}w^n\;(m\in\mathrm{Z})$ 

The general case : B pos. def. symmetric

 $\mathrm{G}_m(R)^g/w^x\mapsto q^{B(x,y)}b(x,y)w^x, \quad b(x,y)\in R^ imes \ \ (x\in X,y\in Y)$ 

"natural limit as  $q \to 0$ "  $\implies$ 

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Let  $X = Z^g$ , B a positive symmetric on  $X \times X$ .

$$\|x\| = \sqrt{B(x,x)}$$
: a distance of  $X \otimes \mathbb{R}$  (fixed)

**Def 23** Let  $\alpha \in X_{\mathbb{R}}$ . a Delaunay cell  $D = D(\alpha)$  is defiend to be the convex closure of points of X closest to  $\alpha$ .

• All Delaunay cells form a the Delaunay decomp. ass. to B

• Each SQAS (its scheme struture) and its decomposition into torus orbits (its stratification) are described

by the Delaunay decomposition

- Each positive symmetric B defines a Delaunay decomp.
- Different *B* can yield the same Delaunay decomp. and the same SQAS.

15 Delaunay decompositions

Exam 7 1-dim. 
$$B(x, y) = 2xy$$
,  $X/Y = Z/nZ$ ,

then SQAS  $Z_0$  is an *n*-gon of  $P^1$ 



**Exam 8** 
$$B = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$
 This (mod Y) is a union of  $P^1 \times P^1$ 



**Exam 9** 
$$B = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & -1 \\ -1 & 2 \end{pmatrix}$$





- 1. This (mod Y) is a SQAS.
  - It is a union of  $P^2$ , each triangle denotes a  $P^2$ ,
- 2. each line segment is a  $P^1$
- 3. two  $P^2$  intersect along  $P^1$
- 4. six P<sup>2</sup> meet at a point, locally  $k[x_1, \cdots, x_6]/(x_i x_j, |i-j| \ge 2)$



# Red one is the decomp. dual to the Delaunay decomp. called Voronoi decomp.





Voronoi decomposition

**Def 24** D: for Delaunay cells

 $V(D):=\{\lambda\in X\otimes_{\mathrm{Z}}\mathrm{R}; D=D(\lambda)\}$ 

We call it a Voronoi cell

 $\overline{V(0)} = \{\lambda \in X \otimes_{\mathrm{Z}} \mathrm{R}; \|\lambda\| \leqq \|\lambda - q\|, (orall q \in X)\}$ 



This is a crystal of mica.

For 
$$B = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$
  
We get  $\overline{V(0)}$ , a cube (salt),

For 
$$B = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 & -1 \\ 0 & -1 & 2 \end{pmatrix}$$

then we get a hexagonal pillar (calcite),

and then
$$B = \left(egin{array}{ccccc} 2 & -1 & 0 \ -1 & 2 & -1 \ 0 & -1 & 2 \end{array}
ight)$$

A Dodecahedron (Garnet)



$$B = egin{pmatrix} 2 & -1 & 0 \ -1 & 3 & -1 \ 0 & -1 & 2 \end{pmatrix}$$

Apophyllite  $KCa_4(Si_4O_{10})_2F\cdot 8H_2O$ 



$$B = \begin{pmatrix} 3 & -1 & -1 \\ -1 & 3 & -1 \\ -1 & -1 & 3 \end{pmatrix}$$

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Recall

Grothendieck (EGA) guarantees  $\exists$  a projective *R*-scheme  $(Z, O_Z(1))$ s.t. the formal completion  $Z_{\text{for}}$  of Z  $Z_{\text{for}} \simeq \mathcal{X}/Y, \quad (Z_\eta, O_{Z_\eta}(1)) \simeq (G_\eta, L_\eta)$ (the stable reduction theorem) The central fiber  $(Z_0, O_{Z_0}(1))$  is our (P)SQAS.

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Thm 25 (N. 2010)  $\exists$  a complete separated reduced-coarse moduli alg. space  $SQ_{g,K}^{\text{toric}}$  (Comapre page 46/47) :moduli of TSQASes with level-G(K) str. over  $\mathbb{Z}[\zeta_N, 1/N]$ . Moreover,  $\exists$  cano. bij. birat. morphism

$$\mathrm{sq}: SQ_{g,K}^{\mathrm{toric}} o SQ_{g,K}$$



The normalizations of  $SQ_{q,K}^{\text{toric}}$  and  $SQ_{g,K}$  are isom.

Proof of Existence of  $SQ_{q,K}^{\text{toric}}$ .

1. Consider all TSQAS (X, L) with level G(K). Then can embed

(X,L) by  $L^n$ , any  $n \equiv 1 \mod N$ ,  $n \geq 2g+1$ 

- 2.  $(X, L^n) \times (X, L^m) \in \text{Hilb} \times \text{Hilb}'$  for any rel. prime pair (n, m)
- 3.  $H^0(X, L^n) \simeq V \otimes W_n, \ H^0(X, L^m) \simeq V \otimes W_m$  as G(K)-mod. where  $V \simeq H^0(X, L)$
- 4. U a good reduced subsch. on which  $GL(W_n) \times GL(W_m)$  acts
- 5. take quotient of U by  $GL(W_n) \times GL(W_m)$  by Keel-Mori
- 6.  $SQ_{q,K}^{\text{toric}} := U//GL(W_n) \times GL(W_m)$  is independent of n, m

Construction of a canonical morphism

- 1. For a given TSQAS over S with generic fibre AV, S any reduced scheme, we construct a PSQAS over S,
- 2. We can take U a subscheme of Hilb × Hilb' over which universal TSQAS exists
- 3. (X, L) universal TSQAS, Then |L| is base point free, we have a morphism  $\Phi_{|L|}: X \to P$
- 4. The image  $\Phi_{|L|}(X)$  of (X, L) by |L| is PSQAS.
- 5. Prove flatness of PSQAS
- 6. The map  $X \mapsto \Phi_{|L|}(X)$  defines a morphism

$$\mathrm{sq}: SQ_{g,K}^{\mathrm{toric}} o SQ_{g,K}.$$