



«Exotic 4-manifolds & KSBA surfaces»
(from joint paper "Exotic surfaces" with Javier Reyes)



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I

A surface of general type is

- a nonsingular projective variety of dimension 2 over \mathbb{C}
- with a canonical class K s.t. $K^2 > 0$ and $K \cdot \Gamma \geq 0$ for any complex curve Γ .

Coarse moduli invariants are K^2 and $\chi = 1 - h^0(\Omega^1) + h^0(\Omega^2)$.

[by the Noether formula : $\chi_{\text{top}} = 12\chi - K^2$] $\stackrel{\text{"}}{\neq} \stackrel{\parallel}{\neq}$

KSBA surfaces are singular surfaces which allow us to have a compactification $\overline{M}_{K^2, \chi}$ of $M_{K^2, \chi}$ = moduli space of surfaces (Kollar - Shepherd-Barron - Alexeev) (Gieseker) of general type with those inv. fixed.

[This is analogue to $M_g \subset \overline{M}_g$ by Deligne - Mumford]

II

Today: we will only care about singular surfaces W with

(1) wahl singularities : $\frac{1}{n^2}(1, na-1)$ $\gcd(n, a) = 1$

(2) K_W ample : $W \hookrightarrow \mathbb{P}^N$.

Wahl sing. \equiv c.g.s which admit a complex smoothing with $b_2 = 0$.
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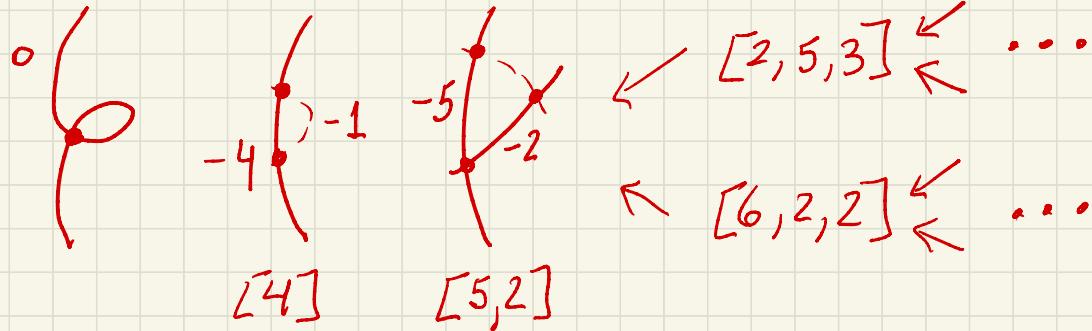
Its minimal resolution has exceptional divisor



where $\frac{n^2}{na-1} = b_1 - \frac{1}{\dots - \frac{1}{b_n}} = [b_1, \dots, b_n]$ s.t.

it is obtained via $[e_1, \dots, e_r] \rightarrow [e_1+1, e_2, \dots, e_r, 2] \rightarrow [2, e_1, \dots, e_{r-1}, e_r+1]$

starting with $[4]$.



these Wahl claims
appear
just in too
many
places ...

III

obs- KSBA surfaces with one Wahl sing. typically produce divisors in $\overline{M}_{K^2, \chi}$.

$D = W$

$W_t =$ surface of general type with
 $K_W^2 = K_{W_t}^2$, $\chi(D_W) = \chi(D_{W_t})$

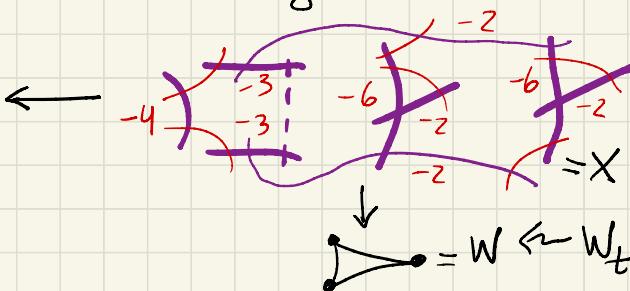
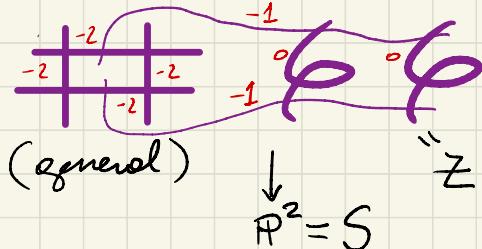
\mathbb{Q} -Gorenstein smoothing
of W

Application : Answer questions on existence of surfaces of general type with particular invariants. [Lee-Park 2007]

key : W may be rational, so hopes to construct.

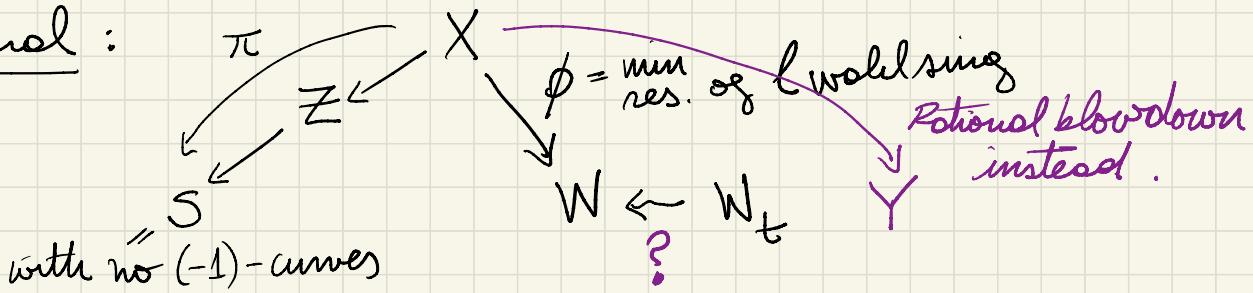
Difficulty : Complex smoothings.

Ex:



K_{W_t} ample
 $K_{W_t}^2 = 1$
 $\pi_1(W_t) = 1$
 $p_g = g = 0$

Diagram in general :



Theorem: W KSBA surface \Rightarrow RBD Y is a minimal symplectic 4-manifold.
If $\pi_1(Y) = 1$ and intersection form on Y is odd

then Y is an exotic $(2p_g - 1)\mathbb{P}_C^2 \# (10p_g + 9 - K^2)\bar{\mathbb{P}}_C^2$

with $10p_g + 9 - K^2 > 0$. ($\text{so } 1 \leq K^2 \leq 8 + 10p_g$)

Key property : $\pi(\text{Exc}(\phi)) \subset S$ is a non-empty configuration
of rational curves, and possibilities are:

1. S is rational.
2. S K3 or Enriques.
3. S $K = 1$ & $b_1(S) = 0$.
4. S general type, $b_1(S) = 0$, $K_S^2 < K_W^2$.

Example :
Horikawa type
then 3.

V

Rest: Let us assume that W is rational $\Rightarrow Y$ exotic $\text{Bl}_n(\mathbb{P}^2_{\mathbb{C}})$.
 $1 \leq n \leq 8$

What's known? For $n > 1$, there is exotic $\text{Bl}_n(\mathbb{P}^2_{\mathbb{C}})$
For $n > 4$, " " " " " via RBD.

Thm (Reyes-U, 2022) There are exotic $\text{Bl}_4(\mathbb{P}^2_{\mathbb{C}})$. (and "many")

[Q]: How to find the right cong. of rational curves?

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{cong. of rational} \\ \text{curves on } S \end{array} \right\} \xleftrightarrow{\quad ? \quad} \left\{ \begin{array}{l} W \text{ s.t. RBD} \\ Y \text{ is exotic } \text{Bl}_n(\mathbb{P}^2) \end{array} \right\}$$

There is a way to organize configurations via Chern classes associated to pairs (Σ, t) .

Point: For surfaces, $c_1^2/c_2 = k^2/k_{top}$ high means hard to find, hard to classify.
(e.g. obstructed in degenerations, moduli smaller)

VI

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \mathbb{Z}' & \xrightarrow{\delta} & \mathbb{Z} \\ \cup & \min \log_{\text{res}} & \cup \end{array}$$

$$D = \delta^*(A)_{\text{red}}$$

A

where D is a SNC divisor on \mathbb{Z}'
(ie non-sing components & only nodes)

$$\Rightarrow \sum_{\mathbb{Z}'}^1 (\log D) \text{ and } c_i (\sum_{\mathbb{Z}'}^1 (\log D))^\vee$$

$$\Rightarrow \bar{c}_1^2 = \frac{c_1 \cdot c_1}{(K_{\mathbb{Z}'} + D)^2} \quad \bar{c}_2 = c_2 \\ = K_{\text{top}}(\mathbb{Z}') - K_{\text{top}}(D)$$

Example : $\mathbb{Z} = \mathbb{R}^2$, $A = \{L_1, \dots, L_d\}$ lines

m-point is a $p \in A$ which belongs to exactly m-lines
 $t_m = \# \{ \text{m-points in } A \}$

Then

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} \bar{c}_1^2 = 9 - 5d + \sum_{m \geq 2} (3m-4)t_m \\ \bar{c}_2 = 3 - 2d + \sum_{m \geq 2} (m-1)t_m \end{array} \right\} \begin{array}{l} > 0 \\ > 0 \end{array} \text{ if } t_d = t_{d-1} = 0.$$

Thm : $\bar{c}_1^2 / \bar{c}_2 \in [1, 3]$ combinatorially, over C $\bar{c}_1^2 / \bar{c}_2 \in [1, \frac{8}{3}]$

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and $\bar{c}_1^2 / \bar{c}_2 = \frac{8}{3} \Leftrightarrow A$ is the dual Hesse arrangement

VII

The point : we can relate \bar{C}_1^2, \bar{C}_2 to K_W^2, l starting with a model cong not points with only m -points

$$S \leftarrow (\mathbb{Z}, A) \leftarrow X$$

and so restrictions on \bar{C}_1^2, \bar{C}_2 become constraints for K_W^2, l .

Thm : (via log-BMY) $K_W^2 \leq 12 - \frac{2}{3}l - \frac{r}{3} - \frac{1}{3}K_S^2 + \sum_{m \geq 3} (m-2)t_m^o$
 where $t_m^o = \#\{\text{excep. NOT in any Wahl chain}\}$.

Moreover :

→ Rong, U / Evans, Smith : we have length $\leq 4K_W^2 + 1$
 if W not rational. (open the rational case)

→ Fuenoer, Rong, U : $\sum_{i=1}^l (\text{length}-1) \leq 2(K_W^2 - K_S^2) - K_S \cdot \pi(C)$

& More ... (coming up 2023)

→ For $n \leq 4$ it must be obstructed in decompositions as
 $\text{obstr} = h^2(T_W) = l + h^1(T_W) + 2K_W^2 - 10$

So "unobstructed" cong. would not work.

→ K_W ample (or big & nef) is very subtle, there are necessary

conditions ; Also to compute $\pi_1(Y) = \mathbb{Z}$.

$$\rightarrow 2r = K_W^2 - K_Z^2 + l + \sum_{k \geq 2} (k-1)t_k - \sum_{k \geq 3} (k-2)t_k^o$$

so $K_Z^2 = 0$, $t_k^o = 0 \forall k \Rightarrow 2r = K_W^2 + l + \sum (k-1)t_k$

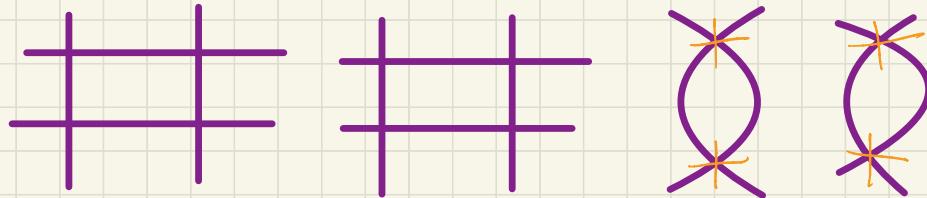
If l small and want K_W^2 high $\Rightarrow r$ high and long Wahl rings.

\rightarrow Big problem : Combinatorics to get Wahl chains.

VIII what did we do for $B_{\mathcal{L}_4}(P_E^2)$ exotic?

ProjectionFile

(1) Consider a configuration with many special curves



+ the 8 sections

+ 4 double sections (Creating multiple points at the I_2)

This is a configuration of $12+8+4 = 24 \text{ } \mathbb{P}^1$ with $\bar{c}_1^2/c_2 = 2 \cdot \bar{c}_1^2$.

In \mathbb{P}^2 , these are 12 lines and 2 conics.

- (2) write a computational algorithm which considers blowups at all possible subsconfigurations, that verifies all the above.
 (obs: there is no other way) Do computer searches.
 (we used 80 cores)

By the way

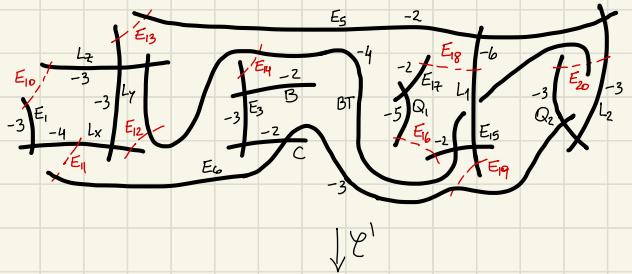
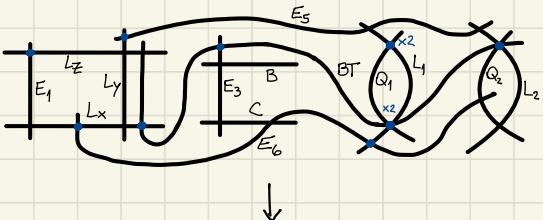
n	8	7	6	5	4	≤ 3
$\approx \# \text{ of } W$ $l=2$	6	433	2100	693	7	none yet

+ many with QHD sing for all $n \geq 4$.

One example for $n=4$: here $r=14$, $l=2$, $\bar{c}_1^2/c_2 = \frac{7}{3} = 2.\bar{3}$

(note $K_W^2 \leq 6 + \frac{1}{3}$ since $t_3^o = 1$)

$$\begin{aligned}\bar{c}_1^2 &= 14 \\ \bar{c}_2 &= 6\end{aligned}$$

$X \supset$  $Z \supset$  $S = \mathbb{P}^2$

$$\begin{aligned}
 &L_x, L_y, L_z \\
 &B = \{x+y+z=0\} \quad C = \{x-y+z=0\} \\
 &Q_1 = \{(x+z)^2 - y(x-z) = 0\} \\
 &Q_2 = \{(x+z)^2 + y(x-z) = 0\} \\
 &L_1 = \{x+y-z=0\} \\
 &L_2 = \{x-y-z=0\} \\
 &BT = \{x-iy+z=0\}
 \end{aligned}$$

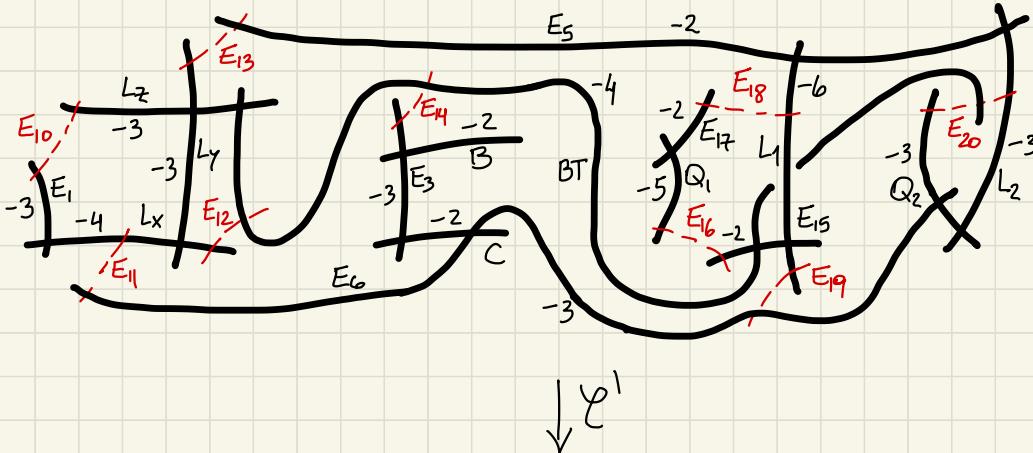
we have two wohl chains

$[5, 2]$

$[3, 4, 3, 3, 4, 2, 6, 2, 3, 3, 3, 2, 3, 2]$
length = 14

8 lines and 2 conics
with special
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simple points
with complex coordinates.

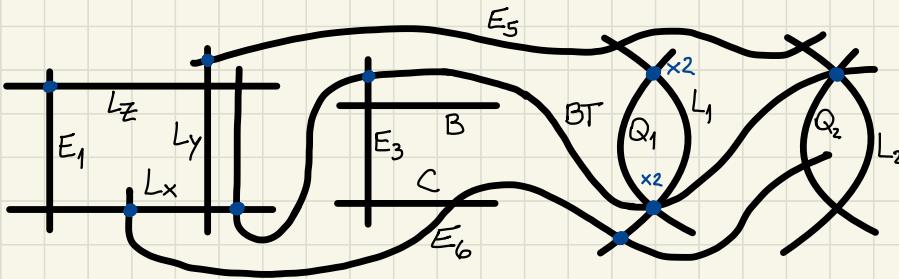
$X =$



$$\rightarrow W \\ (2 \text{ Sing}) \\ //$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \bullet \begin{pmatrix} : \\ : \end{pmatrix} \bullet \begin{pmatrix} 700 \\ 257 \end{pmatrix} \\ h^1(T_W) = 0 \quad h^2(T_W) = 2$$

$Z =$



How to find such configurations & why do they work?

many from rational elliptic
surfaces, although sections

That is even harder:

and fibers are not enough
(and geometry of sections is
hard in general)

double, triple sections are
needed.

(MMP give you more configurations
not even coming from elliptic fibrations)

a right cong. satisfying
all requirements may
give nothing

What is the right combina-
tories for KSBA
surfaces ?

Computer searches :

- we have a computer program which is fed with a cong. of curves (as above) and considers all subcongs. & all blow-ups to find KSBA surfaces.
- we use a cluster with 80 cores.
- there are just too many cong. to try
- For $\mathbb{CP}^2 \# 5 \overline{\mathbb{CP}}^2$ we have hundreds of examples.
 - This is a new world to be explored !