

q-bic Hypersurfaces

Throughout. $k :=$ algebraically closed field of characteristic $p > 0$
 $q := p^e$ for some $e \in \mathbb{Z}_{>0}$.

Defn A q-bic hypersurface in \mathbb{P}_k^{n+1} , or q-bic n-fold, is a hypersurface of degree $q+1$ given by an equation of the form

$$f := \sum_{i,j=0}^{n+1} a_{ij} x_i x_j^q \in \Gamma(\mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}^{n+1}}(q+1)).$$

Examples.

- ① Fermat Hypersurfaces. $(x_0^{q+1} + x_1^{q+1} + \dots + x_{n+1}^{q+1} = 0) \subset \mathbb{P}^{n+1}$
- ② Hermitian Curve. $(x_0^q x_1 - x_0 x_1^q + x_2^{q+1} = 0) \subset \mathbb{P}^2$
- ③ q-cuspidal curve. $(x_0 x_1^q + x_2^{q+1} = 0) \subset \mathbb{P}^2$

Classification of q-bic hypersurfaces.

0. Equations live in distinguished linear subspace:

$\Gamma(\mathcal{O}(q))$
 \cup
 $\Gamma(\mathcal{O}(1))^{(q)}$
 linear subsp.
 spanned by
 q. powers:
 $x^q + y^q = (x+y)^q$

$$\underbrace{\Gamma(\mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}^{n+1}}(1))}_{:= V} \otimes \underbrace{\Gamma(\mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}^{n+1}}(1))^{(q)}}_{:= V^{(q)}} \xrightarrow{\text{mult}} \underbrace{\Gamma(\mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}^{n+1}}(q+1))}_{= \text{Sym}^{q+1}(V)}$$

1. Parameter space of q-bics given by

$$\mathbb{P}(V \otimes V^{(q)})$$

$$\rightsquigarrow \begin{array}{ccc} \text{points of} & & \text{bilinear forms b/t} \\ \mathbb{P}(V \otimes V^{(q)}) & \leftrightarrow V^* \otimes V^{(q),*} \xrightarrow{\text{linear}} \mathbb{P} & V^* \text{ \& } V^{(q),*} \end{array}$$

This suggests the following convenient way of labelling points of the parameter space:

$$f = \sum_{i,j=0}^{n+1} a_{ij} x_i x_j \leftrightarrow A := (a_{ij})_{i,j=0}^{n+1}$$

Gram matrix of f

2. $V \otimes V^{(q)} \subset \text{Sym}^{q+1}(V)$ stable under the natural $GL(V)$ -action by coordinate substitutions, so form the moduli stack:

$$\underline{q\text{-bic}}^n := \left[\mathbb{P}(V \otimes V^{(q)}) / PGL(V) \right]$$

Classification Theorem. [Hefez '85, Beauville '90, Hoa-Hoang '16, - '18, Kadyrsizova-Kenkel-Page-Singh-Smith-Vakar - Wtt '20]

The stack $\underline{q\text{-bic}}^n$ is of dimension 0 and its points are in bijection with partitions of size $\leq n+1$, the correspondence being

$$\lambda = (\lambda_1 \geq \dots \geq \lambda_m) \leftrightarrow A_\lambda := J_{\lambda_1} \oplus \dots \oplus J_{\lambda_m} \oplus (1)^{\oplus n+1-|\lambda|}$$

orbit of

where $J_\mu := \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & \cdots & 1 \\ & & & 0 \end{pmatrix} \in \text{Mat}_{\mu \times \mu}$.

Examples.

1. The Fermat q -bic Hypersurface

$$(x_0^{q+1} + x_1^{q+1} + \dots + x_{n+1}^{q+1} = 0) \subset \mathbb{P}^{n+1}$$

is the unique smooth q -bic, up to projective equivalence.

2. q -bic 0-folds in \mathbb{P}^1 look like:

$$\begin{array}{ccccc} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} & \rightsquigarrow & \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} & \rightsquigarrow & \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \\ x_0^{q+1} + x_1^{q+1} & & x_0 x_1^q & & x_0^{q+1} \\ \dots, \dots & \rightsquigarrow & \begin{array}{c} 1 \quad q \\ \cdot \quad \odot \end{array} & \rightsquigarrow & \begin{array}{c} 2+1 \\ \text{scribble} \end{array} \\ \underbrace{\hspace{2cm}}_{q+1 \text{ pts}} & & \underbrace{\hspace{2cm}}_{2 \text{ pts}} & & \underbrace{\hspace{2cm}}_{1 \text{ pt}} \end{array}$$

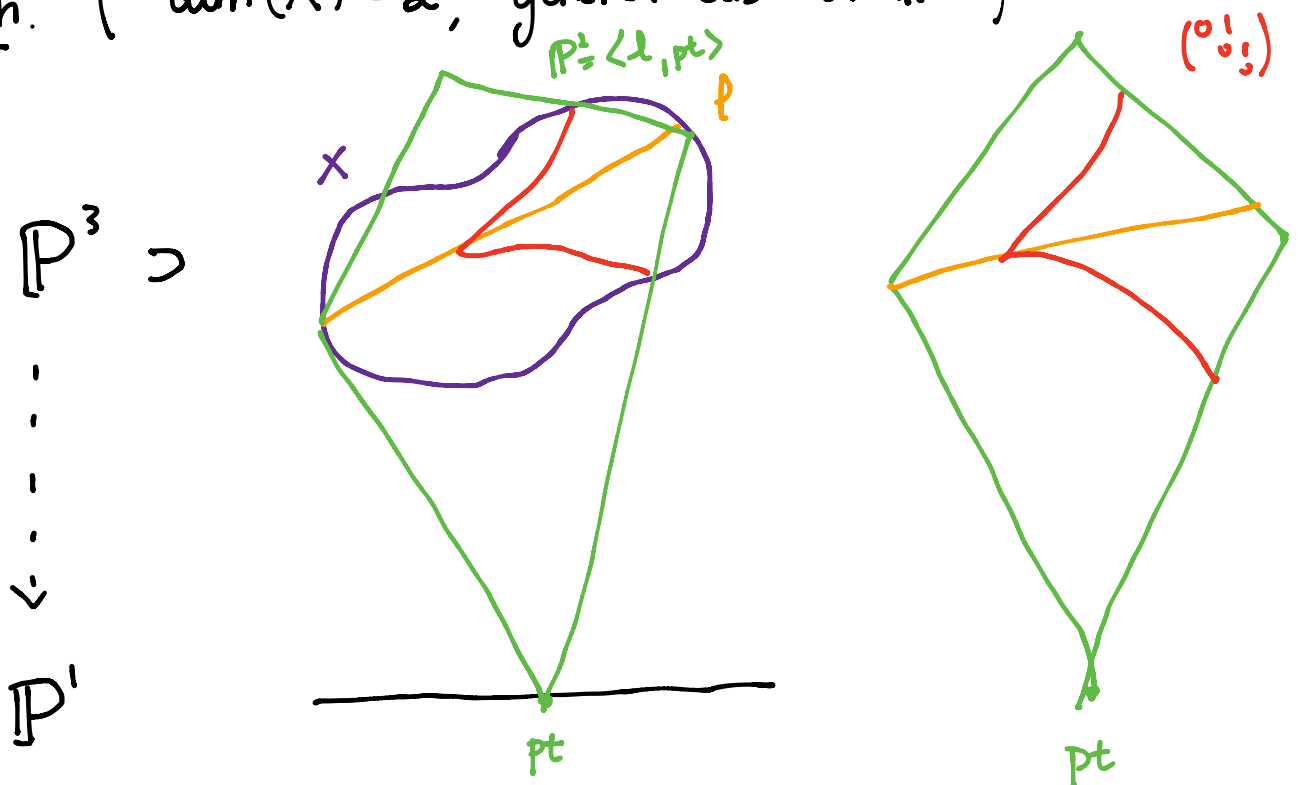
3. q -bic curves in \mathbb{P}^2 look like:

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & & \\ & 1 & \\ & & 1 \end{pmatrix} & \rightsquigarrow & \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & \\ 0 & & 1 \end{pmatrix} & \rightsquigarrow & \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & \\ 0 & & 0 \end{pmatrix} & \rightsquigarrow & \begin{pmatrix} 1 & & \\ & 1 & \\ & & 0 \end{pmatrix} & \rightsquigarrow & \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & \\ 0 & & 0 \end{pmatrix} & \rightsquigarrow & \begin{pmatrix} 1 & & \\ & 0 & \\ & & 0 \end{pmatrix} \\ x_0^{q+1} + x_1^{q+1} + x_2^{q+1} & & x_0 x_1^q + x_2^{q+1} & & x_0 x_1^q + x_2^q & & x_0^{q+1} + x_1^{q+1} & & x_0 x_1^q & & x_0^{q+1} \\ \text{smooth curve} & \rightsquigarrow & \text{cusp} & \rightsquigarrow & \text{node} & \rightsquigarrow & \text{star} & \rightsquigarrow & \text{q lines} & \rightsquigarrow & \text{q+1 lines} \end{array}$$

Old Observation . [Shioda '74]

A smooth q -bic hypersurface of $\dim \geq 2$
is purely inseparably unirational.

Sketch. ($\dim(X) = 2$, general case similar)



$$\begin{array}{ccccccc}
 X & \leftarrow & \tilde{X} & \leftarrow & \tilde{X}' & \leftarrow \dots & \mathbb{P}^1 \times \mathbb{P}^1 \xrightarrow{\sim} \mathbb{P}^1 \times \mathbb{P}^1 \\
 & & \downarrow & & \downarrow & & \\
 & & \mathbb{P}^1 & \leftarrow & \mathbb{P}^1 & &
 \end{array}$$

Linear Geometry of q-bics.

$X \hookrightarrow \mathbb{P}^{n+1}$ smooth q-bic n-fold

$F_r(X) :=$ Fano scheme of $\mathbb{P}^r \subset X \hookrightarrow \text{Gr}(r+1, n+2).$

Prop. [-] $F_r(X)$ is smooth of dimension
 $(r+1)(n+2-2(r+1)).$

First Case. $\left. \begin{matrix} n=2 \\ r=1 \end{matrix} \right\} \begin{matrix} X \hookrightarrow \mathbb{P}^3 & \text{q-bic surface} \\ F_1(X) \hookrightarrow \text{Gr}(2,4) & \dim = 0 \end{matrix}$

Second Case. $\left. \begin{matrix} n=3 \\ r=1 \end{matrix} \right\} \begin{matrix} X \hookrightarrow \mathbb{P}^4 & \text{q-bic threefold} \\ F_1(X) \hookrightarrow \text{Gr}(2,5) & \dim = 2 \\ & \underline{\quad} \\ & := S \end{matrix}$

Theorem. [-]

① S smooth projective surface of general type.

In fact: $\omega_S \cong \mathcal{O}_S(2q-3)$.

② If $q > 2$, S does not lift to $W_2(\mathbb{k})$

③ $\text{Alb}(S) \xrightarrow{\text{isogenous}} \text{Jac}^3(X)$

and both are further isogenous to

$$\prod_{i=1}^{q^2+1} \text{Jac}(C) \quad C := \text{smooth } q\text{-bic curve.}$$

④ S is supersingular and satisfies the Tate conjecture.

⑤ $\frac{1}{2} b_1(S) = (q^2+1) \binom{q}{2} = h^1(\mathcal{O}_S)$.

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if $q=p$ prime

Indication on Proofs.

① & ② $T_S \cong \text{Hom}(\mathcal{I}, \mathcal{I}^\perp / \mathcal{I})$

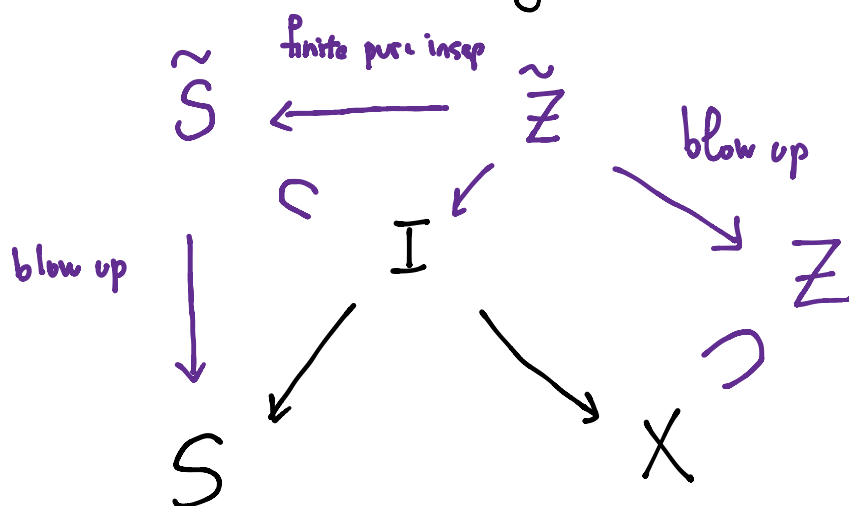
$$\cong \mathcal{I}^\vee \otimes \mathcal{O}_S(1-q)$$

$$\cong \mathcal{I} \otimes \mathcal{O}_S(2-q)$$

$$\rightarrow \Omega_S \cong \mathcal{I}^\vee \otimes \mathcal{O}_S(q-2).$$

\cup
 $\mathcal{O}_S(q-2)$ ample \rightarrow no lift by Langer

③ & ④ look at tautological incidence correspondence



Then study explicit set of cycles + use the big automorphism group acting on everything.

⑤ Betti numbers via Deligne-Lusztig theory for the finite unitary group $SU_3(q)$.

Coherent cohomology via degeneration :

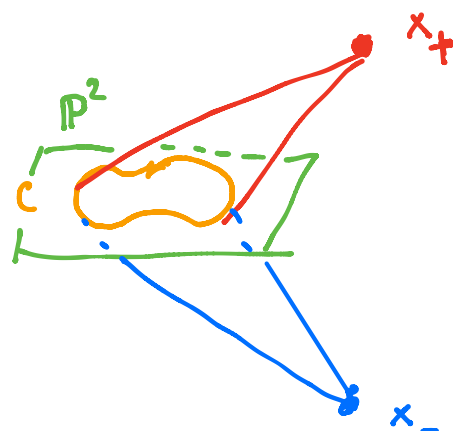
$$X \subset \mathcal{X} \supset X_0$$

$$\downarrow \quad \downarrow \quad \downarrow$$

$$1 \in \mathbb{A}' \ni 0$$

← type

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



$$S \subset \mathcal{S} \supset S_0$$

$$\downarrow \quad \downarrow \quad \downarrow$$

$$1 \in \mathbb{A}' \ni 0$$

$$\mathcal{T} \cong \mathbb{P}(T_{\mathcal{C}(-1)} \oplus \mathcal{O}_{\mathcal{C}})$$

$$\begin{matrix} \searrow & & \searrow \\ & \mathbb{P}^2 & \\ \swarrow & & \swarrow \\ \mathcal{C} & & \mathcal{C} \end{matrix}$$

$$0 \rightarrow \mathcal{O}_{S_0} \rightarrow v_* \mathcal{O}_{\mathcal{T}} \rightarrow \mathcal{T} \rightarrow 0$$

localizing to formal neighbourhood of singularity,
 reduce to a computation on C , upon which

$$\mathcal{T} \cong \bigoplus_{d=0}^{2^2-p-2} \mathcal{T}_d \quad \text{as } \mathcal{O}_C\text{-modules.}$$

→ Main task: compute $h^0(\mathcal{T}_i)$.

Compute cohomology by degrees:

$p=2$

1 3
 0 1
 0

$p=3$

3 6 7
 1 3 6
 0 1 3
 0 0 1

$p=5$

10 15 18 19 18
 6 10 15 18 19
 3 6 10 15 18
 1 3 6 10 15
 0 1 3 6 10
 0 0 1 3 6
 0 0 0 1 3
 0 0 0 0 1
 0 0 0 0 0

$p=7$

21 28 33 36 37 36 33
 15 21 28 33 36 37 36
 10 15 21 28 33 36 37
 6 10 15 21 28 33 36
 3 6 10 15 21 28 33
 1 3 6 10 15 21 28
 0 1 3 6 10 15 21
 0 0 1 3 6 10 15
 6 0 0 1 3 6 10
 6 0 0 0 1 3 6
 0 0 0 0 0 1 3
 0 0 0 0 0 0 1
 0 0 0 0 0 0 0

Conclusion. $h^0(\mathcal{T}) = \binom{p+1}{2} + \binom{p}{3}$
 $= h^1(\mathcal{O}_{S_0})$

Now have the following inequalities:

$$\binom{p+1}{2} = \frac{1}{2} b_1(S) \leq h^1(\mathcal{O}_S) \leq h^1(\mathcal{O}_{S_0}) = \binom{p+1}{2} + \binom{p}{3}$$

\uparrow theory of Picard schemes \uparrow upper semicontinuity.

Final Step. Show that $\binom{p}{3}$ many H^1 -classes do not lift along degeneration.

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 S & \xrightarrow{\varphi} & C \times A' \\
 \downarrow & & \searrow \\
 A' & &
 \end{array}
 \quad \leadsto \quad
 \begin{array}{l}
 R^1\varphi_* \mathcal{O}_S \text{ coherent } \mathcal{O}_{C \times A'}\text{-module} \\
 \text{which is } G\text{-equivariant,} \\
 \text{action on } A' \text{ of wt } q^2 - 1
 \end{array}$$

Thus by general theory of G_m -equivariant sheaves on \mathbb{A}^1 , obtain the following:

$$R^1\varphi_* \mathcal{O}_S \cong \bigoplus_{d=0}^{p-2} \mathcal{H}_d \quad \leftarrow \text{coherent } \mathcal{O}_S\text{-modules fitting into SES}$$

$$0 \rightarrow \mathcal{T}_d \rightarrow \mathcal{H}_d \rightarrow \mathcal{T}_{p^2+d-1} \rightarrow 0.$$

Examine the sequences

$$0 \rightarrow \mathcal{T}_{ip} \rightarrow \mathcal{H}_{ip} \rightarrow \mathcal{T}_{p^2+ip-1} \rightarrow 0$$

for $i=1, \dots, p-2$.

$$\begin{aligned} & \text{is} \\ & \mathcal{O}_S \otimes \text{Sym}^{p^2-i}(V) \\ & \dim(V)=3 \end{aligned}$$

→ These sequences do not split at $1 \in \mathbb{A}^1$, so the classes from \mathcal{T}_{p^2+ip-1} do not lift. There are

$$\sum_{i=1}^{p-2} \dim(\text{Sym}^{p^2-i}(V)) = \sum_{i=1}^{p-2} \binom{(p-2-i)+2+i}{i} = \binom{p}{3}$$

many. — //

Looking Ahead.

- ① Other interesting structures and special varieties?
- ② Varieties defined similarly?
- ③ q -polynomiality of cohomology, etc?

— THANK YOU! —