

# Arithmetic of Fano varieties

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# I. Rational points

**Data:**

- $F$  number field;
- $X = X_F$  (smooth) Fano variety over  $F$ ;
- $\text{Pic}_{\mathbb{R}} \supset \Lambda_{\text{eff}} \supseteq \Lambda_{\text{ample}} \ni -K$ ;
- $f_{-K} : X \rightarrow \mathbb{P}^n$  - anticanonical embedding;
- $X(F)$  set of  $F$ -rational points.

# 1. Basic notions

**Heights:**

$$H : \mathbb{P}^n(F) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}_{>0},$$

$$(x_0 : \cdots : x_n) \mapsto \prod_{v \in \text{Val}(F)} \max_j (|x_j|_v),$$

$$H_{-K} : x \mapsto H(f_{-K}(x)).$$

**Counting function:**

$$N(U(F), B) := \#\{x \in U(F) \mid H_{-K}(x) \leq B\}.$$

$$U \subseteq X$$

Zariski open subset.

## 2. Problems

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(and some Zariski open  $U \subset X$ )?

**Working hypothesis (Linear growth):**

$\exists U \subset X$  s.t.  $N(U(F), B) = O(B^{1+\epsilon})$ .

### 3. Invariants

#### Cones in geometry:

- (Mori)  $\Lambda_{\text{ample}}(X)$  finitely generated;
- (Batyrev 92)  $\Lambda_{\text{eff}}(X)$  finitely generated if  $\dim(X) \leq 3$ .

#### Example:

- $X = \bar{M}_{0,6} = \text{Bl}_Z(\mathbb{P}^3)$ ,  
 $Z = \cup_{j=1}^5 p_j \cup_{i \neq j} \ell_{ij}$ , points and lines  
 $\text{Pic}(X) = \mathbb{Z}^{16} = \langle L, E_i, E_{ij} \rangle$ ;  
 $\Lambda_{\text{eff}}(X)$  generated by  
 $E_i, E_{ij}$ ,  
 $L - (E_i + E_j + E_k + E_{ij} + E_{ik} + E_{jk})$ ,  
 $2L - (E_1 + \dots + E_5) - (E_{ik} + E_{il} + E_{jk} + E_{jl})$ ;  
 $-K_X = 4L - 2(E_1 + \dots + E_5) - (\sum_{i < j} E_{ij})$ .  
 $f_{-K_X} : X \rightarrow \mathbb{P}^4$  (Igusa quartic)  
 $(x_0x_1 + x_0x_2 + x_1x_2 - x_3x_4)^2 = 4x_0x_1x_2(\sum_{j=0}^4 x_j)$ .

## **Cones in analysis:**

- $(A, \Lambda) = (\text{lattice, convex cone in } A_{\mathbb{R}});$
- $(\check{A}, \check{\Lambda}) = (\text{dual lattice, dual cone});$
- $\alpha(\Lambda, s) := \int_{\check{\Lambda}} e^{-\langle s, \check{a} \rangle} d\check{a}, \quad \Re(s) \in \Lambda^\circ.$

## **Example:**

- $\alpha(\Lambda_{\text{eff}}(S_3), -K) = 7/18,$   
 $S_3 : x_0^3 + x_1^3 + x_2^3 + x_3^3 = 0.$
- $\alpha(\Lambda_{\text{eff}}(\bar{M}_{0,6}), -K) = ??,$   
 $\check{\Lambda}_{\text{eff}}(\bar{M}_{0,6}) \text{ has 3905 generators.}$

## **Brauer groups:**

- $\text{Br}(X)/\text{Br}(F) = H^1(\Gamma, \text{Pic}(\bar{X})).$

## **Example:**

- $\text{Br}(S_3)/\text{Br}(\mathbb{Q}) = \mathbb{Z}/3,$   
 $S_3 : x_0^3 + x_1^3 + x_2^3 + 2x_3^3 = 0.$
- (Kresch-T. 02)  $\text{Br}(S_2)/\text{Br}(\mathbb{Q}) = \mathbb{Z}/2,$   
 $S_2 : w^2 = ax_0^4 + bx_1^4 + cx_2^4$  (generic  $(a, b, c)$ ).
- (Urabe, 96)  $G \subset W(E_7)$  or  $W(E_8)$  cyclic subgroup.

## Tamagawa numbers (Peyre)

$-\mathcal{K} := \{-K, (\|\cdot\|_v)_{v \in \text{Val}(F)}\}$  - metrization:

- (local) height:

$$H_{-K,g,v}(x) := \|g(x)\|_v^{-1}$$

$g(x) \neq 0$ ,  $g$  -  $F$ -rational section of  $-K$ ;

- global height:  $H_{-K}(x) := \prod_v H_{-K,g,v}(x)$ ;

- measure  $\omega_v$  on  $X(F_v)$ :

- (regularized) measure on  $X(\mathbb{A}_F)$ :

$$\omega_{\mathcal{K}} := L_S^*(1, \text{Pic}(X)) |\text{disc}(F)|^{-d/2} \prod_v \lambda_v^{-1} \omega_v,$$

$\lambda_v := L_v(1, \text{Pic}(X))$ ,  $v \notin S$ ,  $\lambda_v = 1$ ,  $v \in S$ ,

$L_S^*(1, \text{Pic}(X)) = \lim_{s \rightarrow 1} (s-1)^r L_S(s, \text{Pic}(X))$

(partial Artin L-function).

## 4. Working hypothesis (Manin, Batyrev, Peyre)

$\exists F_0/F$  (finite) and  $U_0 \subset X$  (Zariski open) s.t.  
 $\forall F'/F_0$  (finite) and  $\forall U \subset U_0$  (Zariski open)

$$N(U(F'), B) \sim \alpha(X)\beta(X)\tau(\mathcal{K})B \log(B)^{r-1},$$

for  $B \rightarrow \infty$ , where

- $r = \text{rk } \text{Pic}(X);$
- $\alpha(X) := \alpha(\Lambda_{\text{eff}}(X), -K);$
- $\beta(X) := \#\text{Br}(X)/\text{Br}(F);$
- $\tau(\mathcal{K}) := \int_{\overline{X(F)} \subset X(\mathbb{A}_F)} \omega_{\mathcal{K}}.$

(over  $F'$ ).

## 5. Numerical data

- $S_1 : w^2 = 5x_0^4 + 7x_1^4 - 3x_2^4, r = 1;$
- $S_2 : w^2 = x_0^4 + x_1^4 - 2x_2^4, r = 2;$

$S_1$	$S_2$
108	505
124	636
118	652
127	672
113	740
116	780
125	866
136	798
115	822
115	808
117	838
121	766
116	942
129	880
142	826
134	796
129	926
116	896
128	816
129	940

(in steps of 250).

## 6. “Soft” analysis

**Lower bounds:**

- $X_F$  (split) del Pezzo surface  $\Rightarrow$

$$N(U(F), B) \gg B$$

$\forall U \subset X$  (Zariski open);

- (Swinnerton-Dyer 98)  $X_{\mathbb{Q}}$  del Pezzo with two  $\mathbb{Q}$ -rational skew lines  $\Rightarrow$

$$N(U(\mathbb{Q}), B) \gg B \log(B)^{r-1};$$

- (Manin 93)  $X_F$  Fano 3-fold  $\Rightarrow$

$\forall U \subset X \exists F'/F$  (finite) s.t.

$$N(U(F'), B) \gg B.$$

## **Upper bounds - del Pezzo surfaces over $\mathbb{Q}$ :**

$U$  = complement to exceptional curves.

- (Hooley 80)  $x_0^3+x_1^3+x_2^3+x_3^3=0$ :  $O(B^{5/3+\epsilon})$ ;
- (Manin-T. 93) split degree 5:  $O(B^{1+\epsilon})$ ;
- (Heath-Brown 02) cubic:  $O(B^{52/27+\epsilon})$ ;
- (Heath-Brown 02) cubic with 3 coplaner lines:  $O(B^{4/3+\epsilon})$ ;
- (Salberger 02) degree 4 with a conic:  $O(B^{1+\epsilon})$ .

## Universal torsors:

- $\mathcal{T}_X \xrightarrow{T} X^0 \subset X$ ;  
with  $\mathfrak{X}^*(T) = \text{Pic}(X)$ ;
- $N(U(F), B) =$   
 $\#\{\text{lattice points in a bounded domain}\}$   
(subject to coprimality conditions).

**Idea:**  $N(X^0, B) \sim \text{volume of the domain.}$

## Example:

- $\mathbb{A}^{n+1} \setminus 0 \xrightarrow{\mathbb{G}_m} \mathbb{P}^n$ ;
- $N(\mathbb{P}^n, B) =$   
 $\#\{(x_0, \dots, x_n) \in \mathbb{Z}_{\text{prim}}^{n+1}/\pm, |x_j| \leq B \ \forall j\}.$

## Implementation:

- (Salberger 98, de la Breteche 01) toric Fano over  $\mathbb{Q}$ ;
- (de la Breteche 02)  $X = \bar{M}_{0,5}$ ,  $\mathcal{T}_X = \text{Gr}(2, 5)$ : count  $(x_{ij} \in \mathbb{Z} \setminus 0, i, j \in [1, \dots, 5])$  s.t.
  - $(x_{ij}, x_{ik}) = 1$ ;
  - $\max(|x_{ij}x_{ik}x_{lk}x_{lm}x_{jm}|) \leq B$ ;
  - $x_{ij}x_{kl} - x_{ik}x_{jl} + x_{jk}x_{il} = 0$  ( $\text{Gr}(2, 5)$ -equations).

## Problem - Cayley cubic:

$$S : x_0x_1x_2 + x_0x_1x_3 + x_0x_2x_3 + x_1x_2x_3 = 0$$

$\mathcal{T}_S$  given by:

$$\begin{aligned}
 y_1y_{13}y_{14} &+ y_2y_{23}y_{24} = y_{34}y_{12,34} \\
 y_1y_{12}y_{14} &+ y_3y_{23}y_{34} = y_{24}y_{13,24} \\
 y_2y_{12}y_{24} &+ y_3y_{13}y_{34} = y_{14}y_{14,23} \\
 -y_3y_{13}y_{23} &+ y_4y_{14}y_{24} = y_{12}y_{12,34} \\
 -y_2y_{12}y_{23} &+ y_4y_{14}y_{34} = y_{13}y_{13,24} \\
 -y_1y_{12}y_1 &+ y_4y_{24}y_{34} = y_{23}y_{14,23} \\
 y_2y_4y_{24}^2 &+ y_1y_3y_{13}^2 = y_{12,34}y_{14,23} \\
 -y_1y_2y_{12}^2 &+ y_3y_4y_{34}^2 = y_{13,24}y_{14,23} \\
 y_1y_4y_{14}^2 &- y_2y_3y_{23}^2 = y_{12,34}y_{13,24}
 \end{aligned}$$

Height:  $\max(|y_iy_jy_ky_{ij}y_{ik}y_{kj}|) \leq B$ .

Coprimality:  $y_{ij}$  all pairwise coprime,

$(y_{ij}, y_k) = (y_{ij,kl}, y_k) = (y_{ij,kl}, y_{jl}) = 1$ .

## 7. “Hard” analysis

### Results:

- $X_d \subset \mathbb{P}^n$  (circle method);
- (Franke 89)  $G/P$ , (Strauch 01) twisted products of  $G/P$ ;
- (Batyrev-T. 95)  $X \supset T$ ;
- (Strauch-T. 99)  $X \supset G/U$ ;
- (Chambert-Loir-T. 02)  $X \supset \mathbb{G}_a^n$ ;
- (Shalika-T. 02)  $X \supset U$  (bi-equivariant);
- (Shalika-Takloo-Bighash-T. 02)  $X \supset G$   
De Concini-Procesi varieties.

**Idea:** Harmonic analysis and zeta functions.

**Example:**

- $X \supset G$  (unipotent),  $d = \dim(X)$ ,  
 $X \setminus G = \cup_{\alpha \in \mathcal{A}} D_\alpha$ ,  $-K = \sum_{\alpha} \kappa_{\alpha} D_{\alpha}$ ;
- Height:  $H : \text{Pic}(X)_{\mathbb{C}} \times G(\mathbb{A}_F) \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ ;
- Zeta function:  $\mathcal{Z}(s, g) := \sum_{\gamma \in G(F)} H(s; \gamma g)^{-1}$ ;
- Fourier expansion (in  $L^2$ ):  $\mathcal{Z}(s, g) = \sum_{\pi} \mathcal{Z}_{\pi}(s; g)$ .
- Trivial representation (main pole):

$$\prod_{v \nmid \infty} \left( \sum_{A \subset \mathcal{A}} \frac{\#D_A^0(\mathbb{F}_q)}{q^d} \prod_{\alpha \in A} \frac{q-1}{q^{s_{\alpha}-\kappa_{\alpha}+1}-1} \right),$$

where  $D_A = \cap_{\alpha \in A} D_{\alpha}$ ,  $D_A^0 = D_A \setminus \cup_{A' \supsetneq A} D_{A'}$ .

# II. Integral points

**Data:**

- $F, S \subset \text{Val}(F)$  finite, non-archimedean;  $\mathfrak{o}_S$ ;
- $(X, D), U_0 := X \setminus D$ ;
- $(\mathcal{X}, \mathcal{D})$  models over  $\mathfrak{o}_S$ ;
- $U_0(\mathfrak{o}_S)$  - set of  $(\mathcal{D}, S)$ -integral points;
- $-(\mathcal{K} + \mathcal{D})$  metrized (very) ample;
- $H_{-(K+D)} : U_0(\mathfrak{o}_S) \subset X(F) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}_{>0}$  height.

**Counting function:**

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2. ???

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where

- $r_S = \text{rk } \text{Pic}(U_0) + \sum_{v \in S \cup S_\infty} r_v$ ;
- $r_\nu = \dim \text{CI}(\mathcal{D}_\nu)$  (Clemens polytope);
- $\alpha \in \mathbb{Q}$ ;
- $\beta \in \mathbb{N}$ ;
- $\tau = \tau^S(U_0(\mathfrak{o}_S)) \cdot \prod_{v \in S \cup S_\infty} \left( \sum_{\sigma \in \text{CI}_{\max}(\mathcal{D}_\nu)} \tau_v(\sigma) \right)$
- $\tau_v(\sigma)$  Tamagawa volume of  $\sigma$ , (adjunction!).