

# Nodal quintic surfaces and the Fano variety of lines

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$X \subset \mathbb{P}^5$  smooth cubic fourfold  $\rightsquigarrow F(X) =$  Fano variety of lines  $L \subset X$

$L \in F(X)$  (generic) line  $\rightsquigarrow F_L := \{L' \mid L \cap L' \neq \emptyset\} \subset F(X)$

Today: Survey of old & new results concerning  $F_L$  ... and some open questions

History: Fano 1904, ..., Beauville 1979, Catanese 1981, ...,

..., **Voisin** [Théorème de Torelli pour les cubiques de  $\mathbb{P}^5$ , 1986],

..., Izadi 1999, Shen 2012, ...

(i) Geometry of  $F_L$  as a surface:  $H^*$ ,  $CH^*$ ,  $h^*$ , ...

(ii) Link  $X \leftrightarrow F_L$ .

## Comparison with two other situations: $A \rightarrow A/\pm$ & $C_L \subset F(Y \subset \mathbb{P}^4)$

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(A)  $A$  = principally polarized abelian surface

$$\leadsto A \rightarrow S := A/\pm \subset \mathbb{P}^3,$$

$\in |O(4)|$  singular Kummer surface with 16 ODP

$$H^*(A, \mathbb{Z})^- = H^1(A, \mathbb{Z}) \oplus H^3(A, \mathbb{Z}) \quad \& \quad \text{CH}^*(A)^- \cong A \times \hat{A}$$

(B)  $Y \subset \mathbb{P}^4$  smooth cubic threefold  $\leadsto C_L := \{L' \mid L \cap L' = \text{pt}\}$

$$\leadsto C_L \rightarrow D_L := C_L/\iota \subset \mathbb{P}^2,$$

$\in |O(5)|$  smooth curve,  $g(D_L) = 6$

$$H^*(C_L, \mathbb{Z})^- \cong H^3(Y, \mathbb{Z})(1) \quad \& \quad \text{CH}(C_L)^- \cong \text{Prym}(C_L/D_L)$$

## Comparison: Abelian surfaces vs Fano variety of lines I

$(A, \Theta) =$  pp abelian surface

- $\varphi_{2\Theta}: A \rightarrow S = A/\pm \subset \mathbb{P}^3$  & 16 ODP

- Start with  $S \subset \mathbb{P}^3, \in |\mathcal{O}(4)|$  & 16 ODP

$\tilde{S} = \text{Bl}_{\{x_i\}}(S) \rightarrow S, E_i \mapsto x_i \Rightarrow \tilde{S} = K3$

$$b_2(\tilde{S}) = 22, b_2(S) = 6$$

Automatic:  $\mathcal{O}(\cup E_i) \cong \mathcal{L}^2$

- $\sim \tilde{A} \longrightarrow A \cup \pm$  16 fixed points

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \tilde{A} & \longrightarrow & A \cup \pm \\ \downarrow & & \downarrow \pi \\ \tilde{S} & \longrightarrow & S \end{array}$$

$$\omega_A \cong \pi^* \omega_S \cong \mathcal{O}_A$$

$$\pi^* \mathcal{O}(1) \cong \mathcal{O}(2\Theta)$$

- Start with  $D \subset \mathbb{P}^3, \in |\mathcal{O}(5)|$  & 16 ODP

$\tilde{D} = \text{Bl}_{\{x_i\}}(D) \rightarrow D, E_i \mapsto x_i \Rightarrow \tilde{D}$  general type

$$b_2(\tilde{D}) = 53, b_2(D) = 37$$

Condition:  $\mathcal{O}(\cup E_i) \cong \mathcal{L}^2$

Catanese (forthcoming): Not automatic!

- $\sim \tilde{F} \longrightarrow F \cup \iota$  16 fixed points

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \tilde{F} & \longrightarrow & F \cup \iota \\ \downarrow & & \downarrow \pi \\ \tilde{D} & \longrightarrow & D \end{array}$$

$$\omega_F \cong \pi^* \omega_D \cong \pi^* \mathcal{O}(1)$$

$\pi^* \mathcal{O}(1)$  primitive: use  $(\pi^* \mathcal{O}(1))^2 = 2 \cdot 5$

## Comparison: Abelian surfaces vs Fano variety of lines II

- $\langle E_i \rangle \subset K_S \subset H^2(\check{S}, \mathbb{Z})$ ,  $\text{disc}(K_S) = 2^6$

- $H^2(A, \mathbb{Z}) \cong \wedge^2 H^1(A, \mathbb{Z}) \cong \mathbb{Z}^{\oplus 6}$

- $H^2(A, \mathbb{Z})^+ = H^2(A, \mathbb{Z}) \cong U^{\oplus 3}$   
 $\cong (H^2(S, \mathbb{Z}) \& 2(\cdot))$

- $H^2(A, \mathbb{Z})_{\text{pr}}^+ \cong U^{\oplus 2} \oplus \mathbb{Z}(-2)$

- $H^*(A, \mathbb{Z})^- = H^1(A, \mathbb{Z}) \oplus H^3(A, \mathbb{Z})$   
 $= \text{Ker}(1 + \iota^*) \supseteq \text{Im}(1 - \iota^*)$

$$H^*(A, \mathbb{Z})^+ \oplus H^*(A, \mathbb{Z})^- = H^*(A, \mathbb{Z})$$

- $\langle E_i \rangle \subset K_D \subset H^2(\check{D}, \mathbb{Z})$ ,  $\text{disc}(K_D) = ??$

- $H^2(F, \mathbb{Z}) \cong \mathbb{Z}^{\oplus 60}$  torsion free

- $H^2(F, \mathbb{Z})^+ \cong \mathbb{Z}^{\oplus 37} \cong ??$ ,  $\text{sign}=(9,28)$   
 $\supset (H^2(D, \mathbb{Z}) \& 2(\cdot))$   
 $= \text{on algebraic part}$

- $H^2(F, \mathbb{Z})_{\text{pr}}^+ \cong ??$ ,  $\text{sign}=(8,28)$

- $H^*(F, \mathbb{Z})^- = H^2(F, \mathbb{Z})^- \cong ??$   
 $= \text{Ker}(1 + \iota^*) = \text{Im}(1 - \iota^*)$

$$H^*(F, \mathbb{Z})^+ \oplus H^*(F, \mathbb{Z})^- \subset H^*(F, \mathbb{Z})$$

$$\text{Coker} = (\mathbb{Z}/2\mathbb{Z})^{\oplus 23}$$

**Proposition**  $F \xrightarrow{2:1} D \subset \mathbb{P}^3$  even 16-nodal quintic

$$\Rightarrow H^2(F, \mathbb{Z})^- = \text{K3 Hodge structure: } p_g^- = 1, \text{ sign}=(2,21)$$

## Comparison: Abelian surfaces vs Fano variety of lines III

- $\pi_1(S) = \{1\}$
  - $\pi_1(A) = \mathbb{Z}^{\oplus 4}$
  - $H_1(A, \mathbb{Z}) \cong \mathbb{Z}^{\oplus 4}$
  
  - $\text{CH}(A)^- \cong A \times \hat{A}$
  - $\mathfrak{h}(A)^- \cong \mathfrak{h}^1(A) \oplus \mathfrak{h}^3(A)$
- $\pi_1(D) = \{1\}$
  - $\pi_1^{\text{alg}}(F) = \{1\}$ , Ottem:  $\pi_1(F) = \{1\}$  via Fano
  - $H_1(F, \mathbb{Z}) = 0$
  
  - $\text{CH}(F)^- \cong \text{CH}_0(F)^- \oplus \text{CH}_1(F)^-$
  - $\mathfrak{h}(F)^- \cong \mathfrak{h}^2(F)^-$

Naive and obvious questions:

- (i)  $\exists$  Beauville–Voisin class  $c_{\text{BV}} \in \text{CH}(F)^+$  ?
- (ii)  $\text{Pic}(F)^- \times \text{Pic}(F)^- \rightarrow \mathbb{Z} \cdot c_{\text{BV}}$  ?
- (iii)  $\dim \mathfrak{h}^2(F)^- < \infty$  ??

## Comparison: Cubic threefolds vs cubic fourfolds I

$Y \subset \mathbb{P}^4$  smooth cubic

- $F = F(Y)$  surface,  $\omega_{F(Y)} \cong \mathcal{O}(1)$  ample
- $H^*(F, \mathbb{Q}) \cong \wedge^* H^1(F, \mathbb{Q}) / (P_3)$
- $\wedge^2 H^1(F, \mathbb{Z}) \hookrightarrow H^2(F, \mathbb{Z}) \twoheadrightarrow \mathbb{Z}/2\mathbb{Z}$   
[Beauville]

- $L \in F(Y)$  generic  
 $\leadsto C_L := \{L' \mid L \cap L' = \text{pt}\}$

- $C_L$  smooth curve,  $g(C_L) = 11$
- $\mathcal{O}(2)|_{C_L} \cong \omega_{C_L} \otimes q^* \mathcal{O}(2)$
- $(C_L \cdot C_L) = 5, \quad 3[C_L] = g_{\mathbb{P}^1}$

- $Y$  general  $\Rightarrow$

$$H^{1,1}(F(Y), \mathbb{Q}) = \mathbb{Q} \cdot [C_L] = \mathbb{Q} \cdot g_{\mathbb{P}^1}$$

$$\begin{array}{c} C_L \\ \downarrow q \quad 5:1 \\ L \end{array}$$

$X \subset \mathbb{P}^5$  smooth cubic

- $F = F(X)$  smooth 4-fold,  $\omega_F \cong \mathcal{O}$ ,  $\text{HK} \approx K3^{[2]}$  [BD]
- $H^*(F, \mathbb{Q}) \cong S^* H^2(F, \mathbb{Q}) / (H_3)$
- $S^2 H^2(F, \mathbb{Z}) \hookrightarrow H^4(F, \mathbb{Z}) \twoheadrightarrow (\mathbb{Z}/2)^{\oplus 23} \times \mathbb{Z}/5$   
[B,N-W,S]

- $L \in F(X)$  generic  
 $\leadsto F_L := \{L' \mid L \cap L' \neq \emptyset\}$

- $F_L$  smooth surface,  $\omega_{F_L}$  ample,  $p_g = 5$
- $\mathcal{O}(1)|_{F_L} \cong \omega_{F_L} \otimes q^* \mathcal{O}(1)$
- $(F_L \cdot F_L) = 5$

- $X$  general  $\Rightarrow$

$$H^{2,2}(F(Y), \mathbb{Q}) = \mathbb{Q} \cdot [F_L] \oplus \mathbb{Q} \cdot g_{\mathbb{P}^1}^2$$

$$\begin{array}{c} F_L \\ \downarrow q \quad g=4 \\ L \end{array}$$

## Comparison: Cubic threefolds vs cubic fourfolds II

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 L' & C_L \cup \iota & \\
 \downarrow & \downarrow & \text{2:1, étale} \\
 \overline{LL'} \cap \mathbb{P}^2 & D_L \subset \mathbb{P}^2, \in |\mathcal{O}(5)| & \\
 & D_L \text{ smooth, } g(D_L) = 6 & 
 \end{array}$$

- $H^*(C_L, \mathbb{Z})^- = H^1(C_L, \mathbb{Z})^-$

$$H^1(C_L, \mathbb{Z})^{+\subset} \rightarrow H^1(C_L, \mathbb{Z}) \twoheadrightarrow H^1(C_L, \mathbb{Z})^-$$

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$$H^1(D_L, \mathbb{Z})$$

- $H^1(C_L, \mathbb{Z})^+ \oplus H^1(C_L, \mathbb{Z})^- \subset H^1(C_L, \mathbb{Z})$

$$\text{Coker} = (\mathbb{Z}/2\mathbb{Z})^{\oplus 10}$$

- $\text{CH}^-(C_L) = \text{Prym}(C_L/D_L)$

$$= \text{Im}(1 - \iota^*) \subsetneq \text{Ker}(1 + \iota^*)$$

- $\mathfrak{h}^-(C_L) = \mathfrak{h}^1(C_L)^-$

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 L' & F_L \cup \iota & \text{with 16 fixed points} \\
 \downarrow & \downarrow & \text{2:1} \\
 \overline{LL'} \cap \mathbb{P}^3 & D_L \subset \mathbb{P}^3, \in |\mathcal{O}(5)| & \\
 & D_L \text{ has 16 ODP, } p_g(D_L) = 5 & 
 \end{array}$$

- Recall: Dimension count

$$H^2(F_L, \mathbb{Z})^{+\subset} \rightarrow H^2(F_L, \mathbb{Z}) \twoheadrightarrow H^2(F_L, \mathbb{Z})^-$$

∪ ind=??

$$H^2(D_L, \mathbb{Z})$$

- $H^2(F_L, \mathbb{Z})^+ \oplus H^2(F_L, \mathbb{Z})^- \subset H^2(F_L, \mathbb{Z})$

$$\text{Coker} = (\mathbb{Z}/2\mathbb{Z})^{\oplus 23}$$

- $\text{CH}^-(F_L) = \text{CH}_0(F_L)^- \oplus \text{CH}_1(F_L)^-$

$$= \text{Im}(1 - \iota^*) = \text{Ker}(1 + \iota^*)$$

- $\mathfrak{h}^-(F_L) = \mathfrak{h}^2(F_L)^-$



## Comparison: Cubic threefolds vs cubic fourfolds III

- $H^1(F(Y), \mathbb{Z}) \stackrel{[M]}{\cong} H^1(C_L, \mathbb{Z})^-$  pol.  
 $\Downarrow$   
 $H^3(Y, \mathbb{Z})(1)$

### Global Torelli

For generic lines  $L \subset Y$  &  $L' \subset Y'$ :

$$Y \cong Y' \Leftrightarrow \exists H^1(C_L, \mathbb{Z})^- \cong H^1(C_{L'}, \mathbb{Z})^-$$

Hodge isometry

[Beauville, Clemens–Griffiths, Mumford, Tyurin]

$$g_{\text{pl}} \rightsquigarrow H^2(F_L, \mathbb{Z})_{\text{pr}}^{\pm} \subset H^2(F_L, \mathbb{Z})^{\pm}$$

- $(H^2(F(X), \mathbb{Z})_{\text{pr}}, q_{\text{BBF}}) \cong (H^2(F_L, \mathbb{Z})_{\text{pr}}^-, \frac{1}{2}(\cdot, \cdot))$   
 $\Downarrow$  [BD] [Izadi–Shen–H.]  
 $H^4(X, \mathbb{Z})_{\text{pr}}(1)$  [Kuznetsov: Conic bundles]

- $H^2(F_L, \mathbb{Z})_{\text{pr}}^- \cong E_8(-1)^{\oplus 2} \oplus U^{\oplus 2} \oplus A_2(-1)$   
 $\cap$  sign=(2,20)  
 $H^2(F_L, \mathbb{Z})^- \cong ??$  sign=(2,21)

### Global Torelli

For generic lines  $L \subset X$  &  $L' \subset X'$ :

$$X \cong X' \Leftrightarrow \exists H^2(F_L, \mathbb{Z})_{\text{pr}}^- \cong H^2(F_{L'}, \mathbb{Z})_{\text{pr}}^-$$

Hodge isometry

Note:  $H^2(F_L, \mathbb{Z})_{\text{pr}}^- \equiv \text{const}$  for  $L \subset X = \text{fixed}$

## Comparison: Cubic threefolds vs cubic fourfolds IV

- $\mathrm{CH}_0(\mathcal{C}_L)^- \cong \mathrm{CH}_1(Y)_{\mathrm{hom}}$  [Murre]

- $\mathrm{h}^2(\mathcal{C}_L)^- \cong \mathrm{h}^3(Y)$   
[Manin, Sernenev, Nagel–Saito]

- $\mathrm{CH}_0(F_L)^- \cong \mathrm{CH}_1(X)_{\mathrm{hom}}$

If Kuznetsov component  $\mathcal{A}_X \cong \mathrm{D}^b(S = \mathrm{K}3)$

$$\Rightarrow \mathrm{CH}_0(F_L)^- \cong \mathrm{CH}_1(X)_{\mathrm{hom}} \cong \mathrm{CH}_0(S)_{\mathrm{hom}}$$

- $\mathrm{h}^2(F_L)_{\mathrm{pr}}^- \cong \mathrm{h}^4(X)_{\mathrm{pr}}(1)$

If Kuznetsov component  $\mathcal{A}_X \cong \mathrm{D}^b(S = \mathrm{K}3)$

$$\Rightarrow \mathrm{h}^2(F_L)_{\mathrm{pr}}^- \cong \mathrm{h}^4(X)_{\mathrm{pr}}(1) \cong \mathrm{h}^2(S)_{\mathrm{pr}}$$

**Conclusion** The Fano variety  $F(X)$  is always associated with the ‘half’  $F_L^-$  of  $F_L$  which behaves like a K3 surface.

## Open questions

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**Lattice & Hodge theory**  $H^2(F_L, \mathbb{Z})^+ \cong H^2(D_L, \mathbb{Z})$  ? Kummer lattice  $K_D = ?$

**Deformations**  $H^1(F_L, \mathcal{T}) = ?$

**Hassett divisors**  $X \in C_d$  s.t. (\*\*)

$$\leadsto H^2(T = K3, \mathbb{Z})_{\text{pr}} \hookrightarrow H^2(F(X), \mathbb{Z})_{\text{pr}} \cong H^2(F_L, \mathbb{Z})_{\text{pr}}^-$$

Are there geometric realizations of  $T \leftrightarrow F_L$  (surfaces) ? Typically,  $T \leadsto$  divisor in  $F(X)$ .

**Where is  $D^b(\text{Coh})$  ?**

Recall [BKR]:  $D^b(C_L)^+ \cong D^b(D_L)$  and  $D^b(A)^+ \cong D^b(\tilde{S} = K3)$  and  $D^b(F_L)^+ \cong D^b(\tilde{D}_L)$ .

Are there natural categories  $D^b(C_L)^-$  or  $D^b(A)^-$  or  $D^b(F_L)^-$  ?

Cubic fourfolds: Kuznetsov component  $\mathcal{A}_X \subset D^b(X)$ :  $\mathcal{A}_X \leftrightarrow D^b(F_L)^-$  ?