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Talk: Occult period mappings

First recall 3 Torelli theorems for period mappings:

1) Let X, X' be smooth quartic surfaces in P^3 . Let
P-S
$$\gamma: H^2(X, \mathbb{Z}) \rightarrow H^2(X', \mathbb{Z})$$

be an isomorphism which respects the cup product pairs, the classes of hyperplane sections and the H.S. Then γ is induced by a unique isom. $X' \xrightarrow{\sim} X$.

2) Let X, X' be smooth cubic ~~sur~~ hypersurfaces in P^4 . Let
C-F-10
$$\gamma: H^3(X, \mathbb{Z}) \rightarrow H^3(X', \mathbb{Z})$$

be isom. which...

Voisin. 3) Let X, X' be smooth cubic hypersurfaces in P^5 . Let...

In each of these cases leads to ~~open~~ period mappings which are ~~open~~ embeddings:

- 1) $f: \text{Quartics}_2 \rightarrow \{ \text{pos. planes in } V(2, 19) \} / \Gamma$
open embedding
- 2) $f: \text{Cubics}_3 \xrightarrow{d=10} \text{Hilb}_3^{d=15} / \Gamma$ loc. closed, not open emb.
- 3) $f: \text{Cubics}_4 \rightarrow \{ \text{pos. planes in } V(2, 20) \} / \Gamma$
open embedding.

First example of occult period maps concerns cubic surfaces
in $\mathbb{P}^3$ (Allcock, Carlson, Toledo).

$$S = \{ F(X_0, \dots, X_3) = 0 \} \subset \mathbb{P}^3$$

all coh-gps are isomorphic (with all add. structure).

Let $V =$ cyclic covering of $\mathbb{P}^3$ of degree 3,
ramified along S .

$$V = \{ X_4^3 - F(X_0, \dots, X_3) = 0 \} \subset \mathbb{P}^4 \text{ cubic 3-fold.}$$

V equipped w. action of μ_3 .

Associate to V its intermediate Jacobian

$$A = A(V) = H^3(V, \mathbb{Z}) \setminus H^3(V, \mathbb{C}) / H^{2,1}(V).$$

This is an abelian var., of dimension 5, with action

by $\mathcal{O}_k = \mathbb{Z}[\mu_3]$. It is principally polarized by
its intersection form.

Such abelian varieties come in nice modular families, which

I investigate in my joint work w. Kudla.

- $\mathcal{M}(k; n-r, r)$. Picard type over $\text{Spec } k$.

plus assumption: if n even, then 2 unramified. [5]

• Specialize to $\mathcal{M}(k; n-1, 1)$ if k class no = 1, $\tau: k \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$

Then $\mathcal{M}(k; n-1, 1)_{\mathbb{C}} \cong [\Gamma \backslash \mathcal{D}]$, orbifold

where $L =$ perfect hermitian $\mathcal{O}_k$ -module of signature $(n-1, 1)$
 $\mathcal{D} =$ space of negative lines in $L \otimes \mathbb{R} \simeq \mathbb{C}^n$
 $\Gamma = \text{U}(\mathbb{Z})$.
 unique up to $\mathcal{U}(L \otimes \mathbb{C})$.

Theorem (ACT): (i) The object $(A(V), \tau, \lambda)$ lies in $\mathcal{M}(k; 4, 1)(\mathbb{C})$

(ii) This is compatible with families and defines a morphism of DM-stacks,

$$\gamma: \text{Cubic}_{2, \mathbb{C}}^{\circ} \longrightarrow \mathcal{M}(k; 4, 1)_{\mathbb{C}}$$

(iii) This is an open embedding.

(iv) Its complement is the KM-divisor $\mathcal{Z}(1)$

(v) γ is defined over k .

Explanation of (iv): • Fix $(E, \tau, \lambda) \in \mathcal{M}_{(1,0)}(\mathbb{C})$,
 unique up to iso (class no = 1).

- $(V'(A, E), h')$ for (A, λ) in $\mathcal{M}(k; n-1, 1)_{\mathbb{C}}$
- For $t > 0$ we

$$Z(t) = \{ (A, \lambda, \lambda; x) \mid h'(x, x) = t \}.$$

Then

$$Z(t) = \left[\Gamma \setminus \coprod_{(x,x)=t} \mathcal{G}_x \right] \quad \text{divisor} \\ \text{on } \mathcal{M}(k; n-1, 1)_{\mathbb{C}}.$$

That $Z(1) \subset \text{complete}$ comes from: intermediate jacobian of cubic 3-fold is simple as p.p.a.v. . That everything is surprising.

explanation of (v): follows from Deligne's theorem (1972)

that intermediate jacobian of complete λ -tors of Hodge level 1 is algebraic construction.

Before giving another example, we define a variant $M(k; n-1, 1)^*$,
 resp. $Z(t)^*$ of $M(k; n-1, 1)$, resp. $Z(t)$:

replace condition that λ be principal polariz. by the
 following: fix $d \mid \Delta$, d squarefree

$$(*) \quad \text{Ker}(\lambda: A \rightarrow A^\vee) \subseteq A[\sqrt[\Delta]{d}], \quad \deg \lambda = \begin{cases} d^{n-1} & \text{odd} \\ d^{n-2} & \text{even} \end{cases} \\
\left(\text{loc. for fppf-topology isom. to } \prod_{p \mid d} F_p \right).$$

In our examples $\Delta = p$ -power: then $d = p$.

One more example: Start with cubic 3-fold T

map cubic 4-fold V , with μ_3 -action.

Let $L = H_0^4(V, \mathbb{Z})$.

Have

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{Hodge structure} \\ \text{Lefschetz} \end{array} \right. \quad L \otimes \mathbb{C} = L^{3,1} \oplus L^{2,2} \oplus L^{1,3}$$

$$\begin{array}{ccc} 1 & 20 & 1 \\ | & | & | \\ \mathbb{C} & \text{half-half} & \overline{\mathbb{C}} \end{array}$$

Now define $\Lambda = \pi L^\vee$, $\pi = \sqrt{\Delta}$

$$A = \Lambda \setminus L \otimes \mathbb{C} / L^{3,1} + L^{2,2} \overline{\mathbb{C}}$$

Then this is again of Picard type (except not princip.)!

(ACT, LS)

Then: Get open embedding

$$\gamma: \text{Cubics}_3 \xrightarrow{\circ} \mathcal{M}(k; 10, 1)^*_{\mathbb{C}}$$

• complement is KM-divisor $Z(3)^*$.

• is defined over k .

better than up-front period map!
(which is not an open emb.)

Comments: (i) For rational HS with action by CM-field, this construction was defined by van Geemen: half-twist.

(ii) It is not clear, why $Z(3)^*$ is in the complement!

(iii) The last part is proved by imitating Deligne's proof.

Lemma: Let $\mathcal{C} = \text{Cubic}_3$. Let $s \in \mathcal{C}(\mathbb{C})$.

(i) The monodromy rep'n $\rho: \pi_1(\mathcal{C}, s) \rightarrow \text{GL}_k(\Lambda_{\mathbb{Q}}^{\otimes k})$ is absol. irreduc.

(ii) $\pi_1(\mathcal{C}, s) \rightarrow \text{GL}_{\mathbb{F}_p}(\Lambda/\mathbb{F}_p \Lambda)$

$\forall p$ prime to 3

(iii)

not abs. irred., but has a unique invar. subspace, namely the codim-1-image of $\pi \Lambda^{\vee}$ in $\Lambda/\pi \Lambda$

$$\left(\underbrace{\pi \Lambda}_{10} \subset \underbrace{\pi \Lambda^{\vee}}_1 \subset \Lambda \right).$$

Concluding remarks: 2 more cases (Honda):

- non-hyperelliptic curves of genus 3 $\rightarrow \mathcal{M}(\mathbb{Q}(i); 6, 1)^*_{\mathbb{C}}$
- $\text{---} 4 \rightarrow \mathcal{M}(\mathbb{Q}(\zeta_3); 9, 1)^*_{\mathbb{C}}$

But no more hypersurface cases (but at least one not a hypersurface case!)