

Chern degree functions

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1. Cohomological rank functions on abelian varieties

(A, L) polarized abelian variety, $g = \dim A$

Jiang-Pareschi: Given $F \in D^b(A)$ and $i \in \mathbb{Z}$, define $h_{F,L}^i : \mathbb{Q} \rightarrow \mathbb{Q}_{\geq 0}$ such that

$$h_{F,L}^i(x) = h^i(A, F \otimes L^x \otimes \alpha), \text{ for general } \alpha \in \text{Pic}^0(A)$$

Concretely: if $x = \frac{a}{b} \in \mathbb{Q}$, then

$$h_{F,L}^i(x) := \frac{1}{b^{2g}} \cdot h^i(A, \mu_b^* F \otimes L^{ab} \otimes \alpha), \text{ for general } \alpha \in \text{Pic}^0(A)$$

where $\mu_b : A \rightarrow A$ is the multiplication-by- b isogeny.

The number $h_{F,L}^i(x)$ is well defined.

Theorem (Jiang-Pareschi)

1. *The functions are given by polynomials in the neighborhood of every rational number: For every $x_0 \in \mathbb{Q}$, there exists $\epsilon > 0$ and polynomials $P_{x_0}^+, P_{x_0}^-$ such that*

$$h_{F,L}^i(x) = P_{x_0}^-(x) \quad \text{if } x \in (x_0 - \epsilon, x_0] \cap \mathbb{Q}$$

$$h_{F,L}^i(x) = P_{x_0}^+(x) \quad \text{if } x \in [x_0, x_0 + \epsilon) \cap \mathbb{Q}$$

2. *$h_{F,L}^i$ extends to a continuous function $h_{F,L}^i : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}_{\geq 0}$*

These results do not imply that cohomological rank functions are piecewise polynomial!

Example 1: Elliptic curves

Let E be an elliptic curve, $F \in \text{Coh}(E)$.

- If F is μ -semistable, then

$$h_{F,L}^0(x) = \begin{cases} 0 & \chi_{F,L}(x) \leq 0 \\ \chi_{F,L}(x) = \text{rk } F \cdot x + \text{deg } F & \chi_{F,L}(x) \geq 0 \end{cases}$$

- More generally, the Harder-Narasimhan filtration

$$0 = F_0 \hookrightarrow F_1 \hookrightarrow \dots \hookrightarrow F_r = F$$

determines $h_{F,L}^0$ and $h_{F,L}^1$.

Example 2: Ideal sheaf of one point

$g = \dim A \geq 2$, \mathcal{I}_0 = ideal sheaf of $0 \in A$, $d = h^0(L)$

$$h_{F,L}^0(x) = \begin{cases} 0 & x \leq 0 \\ ?? & 0 \leq x \leq 1 \\ \chi_{\mathcal{I}_0,L}(x) = dx^g - 1 & x \geq 1 \end{cases}, \quad h_{F,L}^1(x) = \begin{cases} 1 & x \leq 0 \\ ?? & 0 \leq x \leq 1 \\ 0 & x \geq 1 \end{cases}$$

The number $\eta(L) := \inf\{x \in \mathbb{Q} \mid h_{\mathcal{I}_0,L}^1(x) = 0\}$ is an interesting invariant:

- **Jiang-Pareschi:** $\eta(L) = 1 \iff L$ has base points
 $\eta(L) < \frac{1}{2} \implies L$ is projectively normal
- **Caucci:** $\eta(L) < \frac{1}{p+2} \implies L$ satisfies the property (N_p)
(**Itô:** Also for $\eta(L) = \frac{1}{p+2}$, if $h_{\mathcal{I}_0,L}^1$ is of class \mathcal{C}^1)

2. Stability conditions

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Definition

A *Bridgeland stability condition* on $D^b(X)$ is a pair $\sigma = (\mathcal{A}, \mu)$, where:

1. \mathcal{A} is the heart of a bounded t-structure on $D^b(X)$
2. $\mu = \frac{D}{R}$ is a slope for objects of \mathcal{A} , such that:
 - D, R are additive for short exact sequences in \mathcal{A}
 - $R(E) \geq 0$ for every $E \in \mathcal{A} \setminus \{0\}$, and $R(E) = 0 \implies D(E) > 0$
 - Every $E \in \mathcal{A} \setminus \{0\}$ admits a Harder-Narasimhan filtration
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A *Bridgeland (resp. weak) stability condition* on $D^b(X)$ is a pair $\sigma = (\mathcal{A}, \mu)$, where:

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 - $R(E) \geq 0$ for every $E \in \mathcal{A} \setminus \{0\}$, and $R(E) = 0 \implies D(E) > 0$ (resp. $D(E) \geq 0$)
 - Every $E \in \mathcal{A} \setminus \{0\}$ admits a Harder-Narasimhan filtration
3. Support property (technical condition)

Example: Classical slope-stability is a weak stability condition.

The (α, β) -plane

(X, L) smooth polarized surface

(α, β) -plane of stability conditions: $\sigma_{\alpha, \beta} = (\text{Coh}^\beta X, \nu_{\alpha, \beta})$ for $(\alpha, \beta) \in \mathbb{R}_{>0} \times \mathbb{R}$

- If $\beta \in \mathbb{R}$,

$$\text{Coh}^\beta X := \{E \in D^b(X) \mid \mathcal{H}^i(E) = 0 \text{ for } i \neq 0, -1, \mu_+(\mathcal{H}^{-1}(E)) \leq \beta, \mu_-(\mathcal{H}^0(E)) > \beta\}$$

- $\nu_{\alpha, \beta}(E) = \frac{\text{ch}_2(E \otimes L^{-\beta}) - \frac{\alpha^2}{2} L^2 \cdot \text{ch}_0(E)}{L \cdot \text{ch}_1(E \otimes L^{-\beta})}$

Bridgeland, Arcara-Bertram: $\sigma_{\alpha, \beta} = (\text{Coh}^\beta X, \nu_{\alpha, \beta})$ is a Bridgeland stability condition for every $(\alpha, \beta) \in \mathbb{R}_{>0} \times \mathbb{R}$

Important: When $\alpha = 0$ and $\beta \in \mathbb{Q}$, $\sigma_{0, \beta}$ is a WEAK stability condition.

3. Chern degree functions

(X, L) smooth polarized surface

$F \in D^b(X)$, $k \in \mathbb{Z} \rightsquigarrow$ Define $\text{chd}_{F,L}^k : \mathbb{Q} \rightarrow \mathbb{Q}_{\geq 0}$

Let $x \in \mathbb{Q}$, and set $\beta = -x$.

- If $F \in \text{Coh}^\beta(X)$ has HN filtration $0 = F_0 \hookrightarrow F_1 \hookrightarrow \dots \hookrightarrow F_s \hookrightarrow \dots \hookrightarrow F_r = F$ with respect to $\sigma_{0,\beta}$,

$$\text{chd}_{F,L}^0(-\beta) := \text{ch}_2(F_s \otimes L^{-\beta}), \quad \text{chd}_{F,L}^1(-\beta) := \text{ch}_2(F/F_s \otimes L^{-\beta}),$$

$$\text{chd}_{F,L}^k(-\beta) = 0 \text{ for } k \neq 0, 1$$

- For arbitrary $F \in D^b(X)$, use the “partition” of F into pieces of $\text{Coh}^\beta(X)$:

$$\text{chd}_{F,L}^k(-\beta) := \text{chd}_{\mathcal{H}_\beta^k(F),L}^0(-\beta) + \text{chd}_{\mathcal{H}_\beta^{k-1}(F),L}^1(-\beta)$$

“Cohomological” properties:

- $\sum_{k \in \mathbb{Z}} (-1)^k \cdot \text{chd}_{F,L}^k(x) = \text{ch}_2(F \otimes L^x)$ for every $x \in \mathbb{Q}$
- Serre vanishing
- Serre duality
- Under certain assumptions, chd^0 is non-decreasing and chd^1 is non-increasing

Theorem

Given an object $F \in D^b(X)$ and $k \in \mathbb{Z}$:

1. Every rational number $x_0 \in \mathbb{Q}$ admits a left (resp. right) neighborhood where the function $\text{chd}_{E,L}^k$ is given by a polynomial P^- (resp. P^+) depending on x_0 .
2. $\text{chd}_{E,L}^k$ extends to a continuous function $\text{chd}_{E,L}^k : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}_{\geq 0}$

Again, these results do not imply that Chern degree functions are piecewise polynomial!

Theorem

Let $\beta_0 \in \mathbb{Q}$ and $F \in \text{Coh}^{\beta_0} X$. Then:

$\text{chd}_{F,L}^0, \text{chd}_{F,L}^1$ are not of class \mathcal{C}^1 at $-\beta_0 \iff F$ has a HN factor with $\nu_{0,\beta_0} = 0$

4. Applications to abelian surfaces

Theorem

If (X, L) is a polarized abelian surface, then for every $F \in D^b(X)$ and $k \in \mathbb{Z}$

$$\text{chd}_{F,L}^k = h_{F,L}^k$$

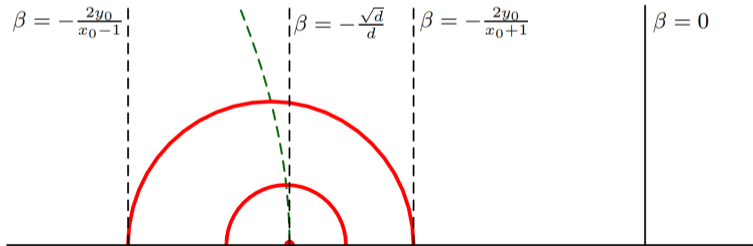
Analogy with the case of elliptic curves:

- Heart whose objects only have functions h^0 and h^1 .
- For stable objects of the heart only one of the functions survives.
- The HN filtration breaks the function into smaller pieces (LOCALLY)

(X, L) polarized abelian surface of type $(1, d)$ ($\implies d = h^0(L)$), $NS(X) \cong \mathbb{Z} \cdot [L]$

We want to compute the cohomological rank functions of \mathcal{I}_0

- $\mathcal{I}_0 \in \text{Coh}^\beta(X)$ for every $\beta < 0$
- $\mathcal{I}_0 \in \text{Coh}^\beta(X)$ is $\sigma_{\alpha, \beta}$ -semistable for all $\beta < 0, \alpha \gg 0$
- Possible walls for $\mathcal{I}_0 \longleftrightarrow$ Positive solutions to $x^2 - 4dy^2 = 1$



Theorem

1. If d is a perfect square, then

$$h_{\mathcal{I}_0, L}^0(x) = \begin{cases} 0 & x \leq \frac{\sqrt{d}}{d} \\ dx^2 - 1 & x \geq \frac{\sqrt{d}}{d} \end{cases}$$

2. If d is not a perfect square, then $\eta(L) \in \left\{ \frac{2y_0}{x_0-1}, \frac{2y_1}{x_1-1} \right\}$ where (x_0, y_0) and (x_1, y_1) are the two smallest positive solutions to $x^2 - 4dy^2 = 1$.

Furthermore, $h_{\mathcal{I}_0, L}^0$ is of class C^1 everywhere.

Corollary

Let (X, L) be a polarized abelian surface of type $(1, d)$, such that $NS(X) \cong \mathbb{Z} \cdot [L]$.

1. If $d \geq 7$, then L is projectively normal.
2. If $p \geq 1$ and $d > (p + 2)^2$, then L satisfies the property (N_p) .

Gracias!