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Local Nori fundamental groups and

Surface Singularities

Motivation

Notation (A, \mathfrak{m}) normal compl.



local $k = \bar{k}$ -alg. of dim 2, $k = A/\mathfrak{m}$,

$X = \text{Spec } A$, $U = X \setminus \{x\}$,

where $x := \mathfrak{m} \in X$.

Thm. (Fleener) $\mathbb{Q} \subseteq k$, (X, x) is smooth
 $(A \text{ regular}) \Leftrightarrow \pi_1^{\text{ét}}(U) = 1$.

Q. What happens in char. p?

Exp. $k = \bar{k}$ of char. 2, $\mu_2 \subset \text{Gal } \hat{A}^2$
 diagonally
 $= \text{Spec } k[x, y, z]$

Then $\hat{A}^2/\mu_2 =: X$ is singular

in fact $X \simeq \text{Spec } k[x, y, z]/(z^2 + xy)$

But for $U = X \setminus \{0\}$ we have

$\pi_1^{\text{ét}}(U) = \pi_1^{\text{ét}}(\hat{A}^2 \setminus \{0\})$
 $\xrightarrow{\text{Zar. Nag. purity}} \pi_1^{\text{ét}}(\hat{A}^2) = 1$ \hat{A}^2 str. henselian

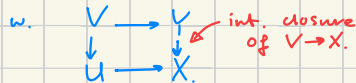
$\pi_{\text{loc}}^N(U, x)$

Problem U has no k -rational points.

Define $\mathcal{C}_{\text{loc}}(U, x)$ cat. of triples

$(h: V \rightarrow U, G, y)$ where

- G is a fin. k -grp. scheme;
- h a G -torsor;
- $y \in Y(k)$ a k -rational point



Prop./Def U admits a local Nori fundamental group scheme: there

exist a pro-object " $\varprojlim_{i \in I} (V_i \xrightarrow{h_i} U, G_i, y_i)$ "

in $\mathcal{C}_{\text{loc}}(U, x)$ s.t. for any $(V \rightarrow U, G, y)$

in $\mathcal{C}_{\text{loc}}(U, x) \exists!$ morphism

of pro-objects

" $\varprojlim_{i \in I} (h_i, G_i, y_i) \rightarrow (h, G, y)$." \square

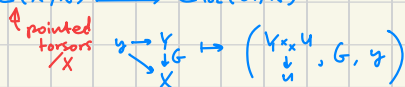
\rightarrow same proof as for Nori fundamental group (Ismaele's talk)

Set $\pi_{\text{loc}}^N(U, x) = \varprojlim G_i$;

$\pi_{\text{loc}}^N(U, X, x)$ generally larger!

Have a natural functor

$f: \mathcal{C}(X, x) \rightarrow \mathcal{C}_{\text{loc}}^N(U, x)$



$\rightarrow p_*: \pi_{\text{loc}}^N(U, x) \rightarrow \pi^N(X, x)$

Def $\pi_{\text{loc}}^N(U, X, x) = \ker p_*$

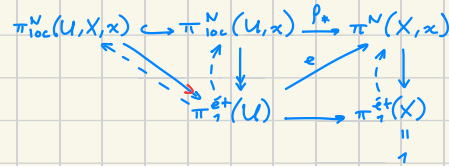
Motto: $\pi_{\text{loc}}^N(U, X, x)$ measures $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{torsors on} \\ U \text{ not coming} \\ \text{from } X. \end{array} \right.$

Prop. X regular $\Rightarrow \pi_{\text{loc}}^N(U, X, x) = 1$.

Proof chap. II, Prop. F of Nori's paper:

purity statement for torsors. \square

\rightarrow every torsor on U extends to one on X



Cor. $\pi_{\text{loc}}^N(U, X, x)$ finite $\Rightarrow \pi_1^{\text{ét}}(U)$ finite group. \square

Thm. $\pi_{\text{loc}}^N(U, X, x)$ fin. k -grp. scheme

$\Rightarrow (X, x)$ is a rational singular pt.

$\sigma: \tilde{X} \rightarrow X$ resol'n of X s.t.

$\sigma^{-1}(x)_{\text{red}} =: C = \bigcup_i C_i$ is snc.

Def. (X, x) is a rational sing. if $H^1(\tilde{X}, \mathcal{O}_{\tilde{X}}) = 0$ (i.e. $\mathcal{O}_x \xrightarrow{\cong} \text{Pic}^*(\mathcal{O}_{\tilde{X}})$).

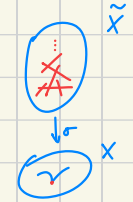
Reinterpretation in terms of $\text{Pic}^0(\tilde{X}) = \text{Pic}^0(U)$.

Can construct a specific nilpotent thickening

$C \hookrightarrow \tilde{X}_{\text{no}} \hookrightarrow \tilde{X}$

s.t. $H^1(\tilde{X}, \mathcal{O}_{\tilde{X}}) \xrightarrow{\cong} H^1(\tilde{X}_{\text{no}}, \mathcal{O}_{\tilde{X}_{\text{no}}})$

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Define $\text{Pic}(\tilde{X}) := \text{Pic}(\tilde{X}_0/k)$
 ↑
 loc. fin. type
 grp. scheme / k.

Prop. Have an exact sequence
 $0 \rightarrow K \rightarrow \text{Pic}(\tilde{X}) \rightarrow \text{Pic}^0(C) \rightarrow 0$

- Here
- K smooth conn. unip.;
 - $\text{Pic}^0(C)$ s. abelian. var.

In particular, $\text{Pic}^0(\tilde{X})$ is smooth.

Sketch

- $S_0 \subset S$ sq. zero ext'n

$$0 \rightarrow \mathcal{I} \rightarrow \mathcal{O}_S \rightarrow \mathcal{O}_{S_0} \rightarrow 0$$

$$\xrightarrow{1} 1 \xrightarrow{\mathcal{I}} 1 + \mathcal{I} \rightarrow \mathcal{O}_S^* \rightarrow \mathcal{O}_{S_0}^* \rightarrow 1$$


$$\rightarrow H^1(S, \mathcal{I}) \rightarrow \text{Pic}(S) \rightarrow \text{Pic}(S_0)$$

↑ $\cong G_a^r$

$$\rightarrow H^2(S, \mathcal{I})$$

$$0 \rightarrow T \rightarrow \text{Pic}^0(C) \rightarrow \prod \text{Pic}^0(C_i) \rightarrow 0$$

↑ torus

e.g.  $\Rightarrow T \cong G_m$.

Cor. (X, x) rational $\Leftrightarrow \text{Pic}^0(\tilde{X}) = 0$.

\rightarrow have $T_e \text{Pic}^0(\tilde{X}) = H^1(\tilde{X}_0, \mathcal{O}_{\tilde{X}_0}^*)$
 $= H^1(\tilde{X}, \mathcal{O}_{\tilde{X}}^*)$.

Let $\langle C \rangle \subset \text{Pic}(\tilde{X})$ k -subgroup gen'd
 by div. w. support on C .

Set

$$\text{Pic}(U) := \text{Pic}(\tilde{X}) / \langle C \rangle$$

Fact $\text{Pic}^0(U) = \text{Pic}^0(\tilde{X})$.

Prop. Assume $\exists l \neq \text{char } k$ a prime
 st. $\pi_1^{\text{ét}, \text{ab}, l}(U)$ finite, then $\text{Pic}^0(U)$
 is sm. conn. unipotent.

Proof Str. of $\text{Pic}^0(U)$: $\text{Pic}^0(U)$ sm.
 conn. unip. $\Leftrightarrow \text{Pic}^0(C) = 0$,

Have a l.e.s

$$0 \rightarrow H^1(\tilde{X}, \mathbb{Z}_l(i)) \xrightarrow{\cong} H^1(U, \mathbb{Z}_l(i))$$

$$\xrightarrow{\text{purity}} H^2(\tilde{X}, \mathbb{Z}_l(i)) \xrightarrow{\cong} H^2(U, \mathbb{Z}_l(i))$$

$$\downarrow \cong \text{Prop. b. change}$$

$$\oplus \mathbb{Z}_l \cdot [C_j] \rightarrow H^2(C, \mathbb{Z}_l(i))$$

$$\downarrow$$

$$\oplus \mathbb{Z}_l \cdot [C_j] \rightarrow \sum_i (C_i \cdot C_j) [C_i \cdot C_j]$$

↑
 $(C_i \cdot C_j)$
 is neg. def.
 $\Rightarrow \det \neq 0$

Then

$$H^1(U, \mathbb{Z}_l(i)) \cong H^1(\tilde{X}, \mathbb{Z}_l(i)) \cong H^1(C, \mathbb{Z}_l(i))$$

$$= \text{Pic}^0(C)[l^\infty].$$

Now $\text{Pic}^0(C) \neq 0 \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}_l \subset \text{Pic}^0(C)[l^\infty]$
 $\Rightarrow \pi_1^{\text{ét}, \text{ab}, l}(U)$ not fin.
 by Hurwitz:

$$\mathbb{Z}_l \subset H^1(U, \mathbb{Z}_l(i)) = \text{Hom}(\pi_1^{\text{ét}, \text{ab}, l}(U), \mathbb{Z}_l(i)). \quad \square$$

Proof of Thm.

$\pi_{\text{loc}}^N(U, X, x)$ fin. grp. scheme
 $\Rightarrow \pi_1^{\text{ét}, \text{ab}, l}(U)$ fin.

$\Rightarrow \text{Pic}^0(U)$ sm. conn. unip.

Suppose $\text{Pic}^0(U) \neq 0$ (i.e., (X, x)
 not rational). Then $\text{Pic}^0(U) \supseteq G_a$
 $\text{Hom}(\mathbb{Z}/p\mathbb{Z}, \text{Pic}(U))$ is infinite.

Now consider exact sequence

$$0 \rightarrow H^1(X, \mathcal{M}_p) \rightarrow H^1(U, \mathcal{M}_p)$$

$$\rightarrow \text{Hom}(\mathbb{Z}/p, \text{Pic}(U))$$

$$\rightarrow H^2(X, \mathcal{M}_p) = 0$$

↑
 $(\mathbb{Z}/p\mathbb{Z})^V = \text{Hom}(\mathbb{Z}/p, G_m)$
 $= \mathcal{M}_p$

↑
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\rightarrow inf. many \mathcal{M}_p -torsors on U not coming
 from $X \Rightarrow \pi_{\text{loc}}^N(U, X, x)$ not fin. \square

We find $\{\varphi_\lambda : \lambda \in k \setminus \{0\}\} \subset \text{Hom}(\mathbb{Z}/p, \text{Pic}(U))$

w. $\varphi_\lambda \neq \varphi_\mu$ for $\lambda \neq \mu$.

Pick for every $\lambda \in k \setminus \{0\}$ a lift

$$\tilde{\varphi}_\lambda \in H^1(U, \mathcal{M}_p).$$

Then $\tilde{\varphi}_\lambda$ gives a hom.

$$f_\lambda : \pi_{\text{loc}}^N(U, X, x) \subset \pi_{\text{loc}}^N(U, x) \rightarrow \mathcal{M}_p$$

and $f_\lambda \neq f_\mu$ for $\lambda \neq \mu$ (otherwise

$\varphi_\lambda = \varphi_\mu$). So $\pi_{\text{loc}}^N(U, X, x)$ infinite \square