

On the equivalences of derived categories of
coherent sheaves

X - smooth projective varieties

to each X associate $\text{Coh}(X)$ - the abelian category of coherent sheaves on X

More convenient - consider $D^b(X) = D^b(\text{Coh}(X))$

the derived category of coherent sheaves

$D^b(X)$ is the main object we would like to study. $D^b(X)$ is a triangulated additive category:

(a) $D^b(X)$ is endowed with a translation functor

$$[1] : D^b(X) \rightarrow D^b(X)$$

which is an additive autoequivalence

(b) $D^b(X)$ is endowed with a class of distinguished (exact) triangles

$$X \rightarrow Y \rightarrow Z \rightarrow X[1]$$

satisfying a collection of axioms (Verdier)

We want to study the following important questions:

- Questions:
- (1) When do two different varieties have equivalent derived categories of coherent sheaves
 - (2) How can we describe all equivalences between $D^b(X)$ and $D^b(X')$?

Example (Muai) let A be an abelian variety and let \hat{A} be the dual abelian variety: $\hat{A} = \text{Pic}^0(A)$

Note: \hat{A} is an abelian variety of the same dimension and in general $\hat{A} \neq A$ (e.g. if A does not have a principal polarization)

We have $P \rightarrow A \times \hat{A}$ - Poincaré line bundle

and
$$\begin{array}{ccc} A \times \hat{A} & \xrightarrow{q} & \hat{A} \\ p \downarrow & & \\ A & & \end{array}$$

 (projections)

Theorem (Muai) the Fourier-Mukai functor

$$\Phi_P : D^b(A) \rightarrow D^b(\hat{A})$$

$$F \mapsto Rg_* (P \otimes p_*(F))$$

is an equivalence of categories.

3.

Thm (Bondal-Orlov) let X be a smooth projective variety with either ample or anti-ample canonical sheaf.

If $\mathcal{D}^b(X) \cong \mathcal{D}^b(X')$ for some proper algebraic variety $X' \hookrightarrow X \cong X'$.

Note : The reason the previous theorem holds is because of the existence of a Serre functor

$$\begin{aligned} \mathfrak{s} : \mathcal{D}^b(X) &\rightarrow \mathcal{D}^b(X) \\ F &\mapsto F \otimes_{\mathcal{O}_X} [n] \end{aligned}$$

on every X .

The Serre functor can be defined completely in categorical terms: it is the unique-up-to-equivalence functor satisfying

$$\text{Hom}(G, \mathfrak{s}(F)) \cong \text{Hom}(F, G)^{\vee}.$$

F, G .

The existence of Serre functor makes $\mathcal{D}^b(X)$ somewhat rigid and combined with vanishing coming from ampleness or anti-ampness gives us enough rigidity to reconstruct X .

4.

Theorem (Bondal - Orlov) Let X be a smooth projective variety with either ample or anti-ample canonical bundle. Then

$$\text{Aut}(\mathcal{D}^b(X)) \cong \text{Aut}(X) \times (\text{Pic } X \oplus \mathbb{Z})$$

Note: $\text{Aut}(\mathcal{D}^b(X)) \supseteq \text{Aut}(X) \times (\text{Pic } X \oplus \mathbb{Z})$
always

$L \in \text{Pic}(X)$ acts as $\bullet \otimes L$

$n \in \mathbb{Z}$ acts as $[n]$.

Let X, Y be smooth projective varieties

$$E \in \mathcal{D}^b(X \times Y)$$

$$X \times Y \xrightarrow{\pi_1} X \quad \text{the standard projections}$$

Then we get a functor

$$\Phi_E : \mathcal{D}^b(X) \rightarrow \mathcal{D}^b(Y)$$

$$F \mapsto R\pi_{*}(E \overset{L}{\otimes} L_p^* F)$$

We will call such functors representable.

Theorem (Orlov) Let X, Y - smooth projective
and let

$$\Phi : \mathcal{D}^b(X) \rightarrow \mathcal{D}^b(Y)$$

be an exact equivalence. Then \exists
a unique up to isomorphism $E \in \mathcal{D}^b(X \times Y)$
s.t.

$$\Phi \cong \Phi_E.$$

Corollary If $\mathcal{D}^b(X) \cong \mathcal{D}^b(Y)$ for X, Y -
smooth projective, then \mathcal{F} isomorphizes
of \mathbb{Q} vector spaces

$$H^0(X, \mathbb{Q}) \xrightarrow{\Phi} H^0(Y, \mathbb{Q})$$

which preserves the Hodge verticals
i.e.

$$\Phi \left(\bigoplus_{p+q=k} H^{p,q}(X) \right) = \bigoplus_{p+q=k} H^{p,q}(Y)$$

Examples:

(1) Abelian Varieties. Let A be an abelian
variety, \hat{A} - the dual abelian variety
The assignment

$$A \mapsto \hat{A}$$

(2) an involution on the category of
abelian varieties

6.

Consider a map

$$f: A \times \widehat{A} \rightarrow B \times \widehat{B}$$

write $f = \begin{pmatrix} \alpha & \beta \\ \gamma & \delta \end{pmatrix}$

$\alpha: A \rightarrow B$
 $\beta: \widehat{A} \rightarrow B$
etc.

Consider $\tilde{f}: B \times \widehat{B} \rightarrow A \times \widehat{A}$ $\tilde{f} = \begin{pmatrix} \delta - \bar{\beta} \\ \gamma - \bar{\alpha} \end{pmatrix}$

- Def:
- We say that $f: A \times \widehat{A} \rightarrow B \times \widehat{B}$ is an isometry if f is an isomorphism and if $f^{-1} = \tilde{f}$.
 - Let $\mathcal{U}(A \times \widehat{A}) \subset \text{Aut}(A \times \widehat{A})$ be the subgroup of isometries. We will call it Mukai-Polishchuk group.

Theorem (Mukai, Polishchuk, or so) Let A, B be two abelian varieties over k - an algebraically closed field of char 0, then $D^b(A) \cong D^b(B)$ iff there is an isometry $f: A \times \widehat{A} \rightarrow B \times \widehat{B}$

Corollary An abelian variety A has only finitely many Fourier-Mukai partners.

Theorem (Mukai, Polishchuk, Orlov) There is an exact sequence of groups

$$0 \rightarrow \mathbb{Z} \oplus (A \times \hat{A})(k) \rightarrow \text{Aut} D^b(A) \rightarrow U(A \times \hat{A}) \rightarrow 0.$$

(2) K3 surfaces over \mathbb{C}

Let S be a K3 surface / \mathbb{C} .

Consider the Mukai lattice of S :
the group

$$\tilde{H}(S, \mathbb{Z}) = H^0(S, \mathbb{Z}) \oplus H^2(S, \mathbb{Z}) \oplus H^4(S, \mathbb{Z})$$

r e χ

with the Mukai pairing

$$\langle (r_1, e_1, \chi_1), (r_2, e_2, \chi_2) \rangle = r_1 \chi_2 + r_2 \chi_1 - e_1 e_2.$$

$\tilde{H}(S, \mathbb{C}) \supset H^{2,0}(S)$ is a Hodge structure

Theorem (Mukai; Orlov) Two K3 surfaces

S_1, S_2 have equivalent derived

categories \Leftrightarrow a Hodge isometry of
 $\tilde{H}(S_1, \mathbb{Z})$ and $\tilde{H}(S_2, \mathbb{Z})$

Corollary (Bridgeland-Maciocia) If $S = \mathbb{C}\mathbf{P}^3$

\Rightarrow finitely many FM partners.

2.

Proposition (Kollar - Lian - Oguiso - Yau)

The image

$$\text{Aut}(\mathcal{D}^b(S)) \rightarrow \text{Hodge}(\tilde{H}(S, \mathbb{Z}))$$

has index at most 2.

(3) The case of minimal elliptic surfaces

(Brzegleczek - Maciocia)

(4) Flops

Example: Let $Y = \mathbb{P}^n \subset X$ s.t. $N_{\mathbb{P}^n/X} = \mathcal{O}(-1)^{\oplus n+1}$
Then

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \mathcal{B}_Y(X) & \xrightarrow{\quad} & \mathbb{P}^n \times \mathbb{P}^n \\ \curvearrowleft & \curvearrowright & \downarrow \\ \mathbb{P}^n \subset X & \xrightarrow{\quad f \quad} & X^+ \supset \mathbb{P}^n \end{array}$$

Then (Bondal, Orlov) $\mathcal{F} := Rf_+ \circ Lf^*$ is
an equivalence of derived categories.

Def: Let $f: X \dashrightarrow X^+$ be a birational
isomorphism of smooth varieties. Then
 f is called a generic flop if \mathcal{F}

$$\begin{array}{ccc} X & & \text{s.t.} \\ \overset{\pi}{\dashrightarrow} & \downarrow & \\ X^- & \xrightarrow{f} & X^+ \end{array}$$

$$\pi^* \omega_X \cong \pi_+^* \omega_{X_+}.$$

Conjecture: If X and X^+ are related by a generic flop, then

$$\mathcal{D}^b(X) \cong \mathcal{D}^b(X^+).$$

Note: (1) The conjecture is known in $\dim = 3$ due to work of Bridgeland.

(2) the pull-push functor is not necessarily giving the equivalence (Noninvariance for Mukai flops).

