# Partial products of circles 

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## Partial product construction

Input:

- $K$, a simplicial complex on $[n]=\{1, \ldots, n\}$.
- $(X, A)$, a pair of topological spaces, $A \neq \emptyset$.

Output:

$$
\mathcal{Z}_{K}(X, A)=\bigcup_{\sigma \in K}(X, A)^{\sigma} \subset X^{\times n}
$$

where $(X, A)^{\sigma}=\left\{x \in X^{\times n} \mid x_{i} \in A\right.$ if $\left.i \notin \sigma\right\}$.
Interpolates between

- $\mathcal{Z}_{\emptyset}(X, A)=\mathcal{Z}_{K}(A, A)=A^{\times n}$ and
- $\mathcal{Z}_{\Delta^{n-1}}(X, A)=\mathcal{Z}_{K}(X, X)=X^{\times n}$


## Examples:

- $\mathcal{Z}_{n \text { points }}(X, *)=\bigvee^{n} X \quad$ (wedge)
- $\mathcal{Z}_{\partial \Delta^{n-1}}(X, *)=T^{n} X \quad$ (fat wedge)


## Properties:

- $L \subset K$ subcomplex $\Rightarrow \mathcal{Z}_{L}(X, A) \subset \mathcal{Z}_{K}(X, A)$ subspace.
- $(X, A)$ pair of (finite) CW-complexes $\Rightarrow \mathcal{Z}_{K}(X, A)$ is a (finite) CW-complex.
- $\mathcal{Z}_{K * L}(X, A) \cong \mathcal{Z}_{K}(X, A) \times \mathcal{Z}_{L}(X, A)$.
- $f:(X, A) \rightarrow(Y, B)$ continuous map $\Rightarrow f^{\times n}: X^{\times n} \rightarrow Y^{\times n}$ restricts to a continuous map $\mathcal{Z}^{f}: \mathcal{Z}_{K}(X, A) \rightarrow \mathcal{Z}_{K}(Y, B)$.
- Consequently, $(X, A) \simeq(Y, B) \Rightarrow \mathcal{Z}_{K}(X, A) \simeq \mathcal{Z}_{K}(Y, B)$.
- (Strickland) $f: K \rightarrow L$ simplicial $\rightsquigarrow \mathcal{Z}_{f}: \mathcal{Z}_{K}(X, A) \rightarrow \mathcal{Z}_{L}(X, A)$ continuous (if $X$ connected topological monoid, $A$ submonoid).
- (Denham-S. 2005) If $(M, \partial M)$ is a compact manifold of $\operatorname{dim} d$, and $K$ is a PL-triangulation of $S^{m}$ on $n$ vertices, then $\mathcal{Z}_{K}(M, \partial M)$ is a compact manifold of $\operatorname{dim}(d-1) n+m+1$.
- (Bosio-Meersseman 2006) If $K$ is a polytopal triangulation of $S^{m}$, then $\mathcal{Z}_{K}\left(D^{2}, S^{1}\right)$ if $n+m+1$ is even, or $\mathcal{Z}_{K}\left(D^{2}, S^{1}\right) \times S^{1}$ if $n+m+1$ is odd, is a complex manifold.


## Toric complexes and right-angled Artin groups

## Definition

Let $L$ be simplicial complex on $n$ vertices. The associated toric complex, $T_{L}$, is the subcomplex of the $n$-torus obtained by deleting the cells corresponding to the missing simplices of $L$, i.e.,

$$
T_{L}=\mathcal{Z}_{L}\left(S^{1}, *\right) .
$$

- $k$-cells in $T_{L} \longleftrightarrow(k-1)$-simplices in $L$.
- $C_{*}^{\mathrm{CW}}\left(T_{L}\right)$ is a subcomplex of $C_{*}^{\mathrm{CW}}\left(T^{n}\right)$; thus, all $\partial_{k}=0$, and

$$
H_{k}\left(T_{L}, \mathbb{Z}\right)=C_{k-1}^{\text {simplicial }}(L, \mathbb{Z})=\mathbb{Z}^{\#(k-1) \text {-simplices of } L .}
$$

- $H^{*}\left(T_{L}, \mathbb{k}\right)$ is the exterior Stanley-Reisner ring $\wedge V^{*} / J_{L}$, where
- $V$ is the free $\mathbb{k}$-module on the vertex set of $L$;
- $\bigwedge_{k} V^{*}$ is the exterior algebra on dual of $V$;
- $J_{L}$ is the ideal generated by all monomials, $v_{\sigma}=v_{i_{1}}^{*} \cdots v_{i_{k}}^{*}$ corresponding to simplices $\sigma=\left\{v_{i_{1}}, \ldots, v_{i_{k}}\right\}$ not belonging to $L$.


## Right-angled Artin groups

## Definition

Let $\Gamma=(\mathrm{V}, \mathrm{E})$ be a (finite, simple) graph. The corresponding right-angled Artin group is

$$
\left.G_{\Gamma}=\langle v \in \mathrm{~V}| v w=w v \text { if }\{v, w\} \in \mathrm{E}\right\rangle .
$$

- $\Gamma=\bar{K}_{n} \Rightarrow G_{\Gamma}=F_{n} ; \quad \Gamma=K_{n} \Rightarrow G_{\Gamma}=\mathbb{Z}^{n}$
- $\Gamma=\Gamma^{\prime} \amalg \Gamma^{\prime \prime} \Rightarrow G_{\Gamma}=G_{\Gamma^{\prime}} * G_{\Gamma^{\prime \prime}} ; \quad \Gamma=\Gamma^{\prime} * \Gamma^{\prime \prime} \Rightarrow G_{\Gamma}=G_{\Gamma^{\prime}} \times G_{\Gamma^{\prime \prime}}$
- $\Gamma \cong \Gamma^{\prime} \Leftrightarrow G_{\Gamma} \cong G_{\Gamma^{\prime}}$
(Kim-Makar-Limanov-Neggers-Roush 1980)
- $\pi_{1}\left(T_{L}\right)=G_{\Gamma}$, where $\Gamma=L^{(1)}$.
- $K\left(G_{\Gamma}, 1\right)=T_{\Delta_{\Gamma}}$, where $\Delta_{\Gamma}$ is the flag complex of $\Gamma$.
(Davis-Charney 1995, Meier-VanWyk 1995)
- $A:=H^{*}\left(G_{\Gamma}, \mathbb{k}\right)=\bigwedge_{\mathbb{k}} V^{*} / J_{\Gamma}$, where $J_{\Gamma}$ is quadratic monomial ideal $\Rightarrow A$ is a Koszul algebra (Fröberg 1975).


## Formality

## Definition (Sullivan)

A space $X$ is formal if its minimal model is quasi-isomorphic to $\left(H^{*}(X, \mathbb{Q}), 0\right)$.

## Definition (Quillen)

A group $G$ is 1 -formal if its Malcev Lie algebra, $\mathfrak{m}_{G}=\operatorname{Prim}(\widehat{\mathbb{Q} G})$, is a (complete, filtered) quadratic Lie algebra.

Theorem (Sullivan) If $X$ formal, then $\pi_{1}(X)$ is 1 -formal.

Theorem (Notbohm-Ray 2005)<br>$T_{L}$ is formal, and so $G_{\Gamma}$ is 1 -formal.

## Associated graded Lie algebra

Let $G$ be a finitely-generated group. Define:

- LCS series: $G=G_{1} \triangleright G_{2} \triangleright \cdots \triangleright G_{k} \triangleright \cdots$, where $G_{k+1}=\left[G_{k}, G\right]$
- LCS quotients: $\mathrm{gr}_{k} G=G_{k} / G_{k+1}$ (f.g. abelian groups)
- LCS ranks: $\phi_{k}(G)=\operatorname{rank}\left(\mathrm{gr}_{k} G\right)$
- Associated graded Lie algebra: $\operatorname{gr}(G)=\bigoplus_{k \geq 1} \operatorname{gr}_{k}(G)$, with Lie bracket [, ]: $\mathrm{gr}_{k} \times \mathrm{gr}_{\ell} \rightarrow \mathrm{gr}_{k+\ell}$ induced by group commutator.


## Example (Witt, Magnus)

Let $G=F_{n}$ (free group of rank $n$ ).
Then $\operatorname{gr} G=\operatorname{Lie}_{n}$ (free Lie algebra of rank $n$ ), with LCS ranks given by

$$
\prod_{k=1}^{\infty}\left(1-t^{k}\right)^{\phi_{k}}=1-n t
$$

Explicitly: $\phi_{k}\left(F_{n}\right)=\frac{1}{k} \sum_{d \mid k} \mu(d) n^{k / d}$, where $\mu$ is Möbius function.

## Holonomy Lie algebra

Definition (Chen 1977, Markl-Papadima 1992)
Let $G$ be a finitely generated group, with $H_{1}=H_{1}(G, \mathbb{Z})$ torsion-free. The holonomy Lie algebra of $G$ is the quadratic, graded Lie algebra

$$
\mathfrak{h}_{G}=\operatorname{Lie}\left(H_{1}\right) / \operatorname{ideal}(\operatorname{im}(\nabla)),
$$

where $\nabla: H_{2}(G, \mathbb{Z}) \rightarrow H_{1} \wedge H_{1}=\operatorname{Lie}_{2}\left(H_{1}\right)$ is the comultiplication map.
Let $G=\pi_{1}(X)$ and $A=H^{*}(X, \mathbb{Q})$.

- (Löfwall 1986) $U\left(\mathfrak{h}_{G} \otimes \mathbb{Q}\right) \cong \bigoplus_{k \geq 1} E_{x t_{A}^{k}}(\mathbb{Q}, \mathbb{Q})_{k}$.
- There is a canonical epimorphism $\mathfrak{h}_{G} \rightarrow \operatorname{gr}(G)$.
- (Sullivan) If $G$ is 1 -formal, then $\mathfrak{h}_{G} \otimes \mathbb{Q} \xrightarrow{\simeq} \operatorname{gr}(G) \otimes \mathbb{Q}$.


## Example

$G=F_{n}$, then clearly $\mathfrak{h}_{G}=\operatorname{Lie}_{n}$, and so $\mathfrak{h}_{G}=\operatorname{gr}(G)$.

## Let $\Gamma=(\mathrm{V}, \mathrm{E})$ graph, and $P_{\Gamma}(t)=\sum_{k \geq 0} f_{k}(\Gamma) t^{k}$ its clique polynomial.

## Theorem (Duchamp-Krob 1992, Papadima-S. 2006)

For $G=G_{\Gamma}$ :
(1) $\operatorname{gr}(G) \cong \mathfrak{h}_{G}$.
(2) Graded pieces are torsion-free, with ranks given by

$$
\prod_{k=1}^{\infty}\left(1-t^{k}\right)^{\phi_{k}}=P_{\Gamma}(-t)
$$

Idea of proof:
(1) $A=\Lambda_{\mathfrak{k}} V^{*} / J_{\Gamma} \Rightarrow \mathfrak{h}_{G} \otimes \mathfrak{k}=L_{\Gamma}:=\operatorname{Lie}(\mathrm{V}) /([v, w]=0$ if $\{v, w\} \in \mathrm{E})$.
(2) Shelton-Yuzvinsky: $U\left(L_{\Gamma}\right)=A^{!}$(Koszul dual).
(3) Koszul duality: $\operatorname{Hilb}\left(A^{!}, t\right) \cdot \operatorname{Hilb}(A,-t)=1$.
(9) $\operatorname{Hilb}\left(\mathfrak{h}_{G} \otimes \mathbb{k}, t\right)$ independent of $\mathbb{k} \Rightarrow \mathfrak{h}_{G}$ torsion-free.
(0) But $\mathfrak{h}_{G} \rightarrow \operatorname{gr}(G)$ is iso over $\mathbb{Q}$ (by 1 -formality) $\Rightarrow$ iso over $\mathbb{Z}$.
© LCS formula follows from (3) and PBW.

## Chen Lie algebras

## Definition (Chen 1951)

The Chen Lie algebra of a (finitely generated) group $G$ is $\operatorname{gr}\left(G / G^{\prime \prime}\right)$, i.e., the assoc. graded Lie algebra of its maximal metabelian quotient. Write $\theta_{k}(G)=\operatorname{rank~}^{\operatorname{gr}}{ }_{k}\left(G / G^{\prime \prime}\right)$ for the Chen ranks.

Facts:

- $\operatorname{gr}(G) \rightarrow \operatorname{gr}\left(G / G^{\prime \prime}\right)$, and so $\phi_{k}(G) \geq \theta_{k}(G)$, with equality for $k \leq 3$.
- The map $\mathfrak{h}_{G} \rightarrow \operatorname{gr}(G)$ induces epimorphism $\mathfrak{h}_{G} / \mathfrak{h}_{G}^{\prime \prime} \rightarrow \operatorname{gr}\left(G / G^{\prime \prime}\right)$.
- (P.-S. 2004) If $G$ is 1 -formal, then $\mathfrak{h}_{G} / \mathfrak{h}_{G}^{\prime \prime} \otimes \mathbb{Q} \xrightarrow{\simeq} \operatorname{gr}\left(G / G^{\prime \prime}\right) \otimes \mathbb{Q}$.


## Example (Chen)

$$
\theta_{k}\left(F_{n}\right)=\binom{n+k-2}{k}(k-1), \quad \text { for all } k \geq 2
$$

## The Chen Lie algebra of a RAAG

## Theorem (P.-S. 2006)

For $G=G_{\Gamma}$ :
(1) $\operatorname{gr}\left(G / G^{\prime \prime}\right) \cong \mathfrak{h}_{G} / \mathfrak{h}_{G}^{\prime \prime}$.
(2) Graded pieces are torsion-free, with ranks given by

$$
\sum_{k=2}^{\infty} \theta_{k} t^{k}=Q_{\Gamma}\left(\frac{t}{1-t}\right),
$$

where $Q_{\Gamma}(t)=\sum_{j \geq 2} c_{j}(\Gamma) t^{j}$ is the "cut polynomial" of $\Gamma$, with

$$
c_{j}(\Gamma)=\sum_{\mathrm{W} \subset \mathrm{~V}:|\mathrm{W}|=j} \tilde{b}_{0}\left(\Gamma_{\mathrm{W}}\right) .
$$

## Idea of proof:

(1) Write $A:=H^{*}(G, \mathbb{k})=E / J_{\Gamma}$, where $E=\bigwedge_{\mathbb{k}}\left(v_{1}^{*}, \ldots, v_{n}^{*}\right)$.
(2) Write $\mathfrak{h}=\mathfrak{h}_{G} \otimes \mathbb{k}$.
(3) By Fröberg and Löfwall (2002)

$$
\left(\mathfrak{h}^{\prime} / \mathfrak{h}^{\prime \prime}\right)_{k} \cong \operatorname{Tor}_{k-1}^{E}(A, \mathbb{k})_{k}, \quad \text { for } k \geq 2
$$

(4) By Aramova-Herzog-Hibi \& Aramova-Avramov-Herzog (97-99): $\sum_{k \geq 2} \operatorname{dim}_{\mathbb{k}} \operatorname{Tor}_{k-1}^{E}\left(E / J_{\Gamma}, \mathbb{k}\right)_{k}=\sum_{i \geq 1} \operatorname{dim}_{\mathbb{k}} \operatorname{Tor}_{i}^{S}\left(S / I_{\Gamma}, \mathbb{k}\right)_{i+1} \cdot\left(\frac{t}{1-t}\right)^{i+1}$, where $S=\mathbb{k}\left[x_{1}, \ldots, x_{n}\right]$ and $I_{\Gamma}=$ ideal $\left\langle x_{i} x_{j} \mid\left\{v_{i}, v_{j}\right\} \notin \mathrm{E}\right\rangle$.
(5) By Hochster (1977):

$$
\operatorname{dim}_{\mathbb{k}} \operatorname{Tor}_{i}^{S}\left(S / I_{\Gamma}, \mathbb{k}\right)_{i+1}=\sum_{\mathrm{W} \subset \mathrm{~V}:|\mathrm{W}|=i+1} \operatorname{dim}_{\mathbb{k}} \widetilde{H}_{0}\left(\Gamma_{\mathrm{W}}, \mathbb{k}\right)=c_{i+1}(\Gamma) .
$$

(6) The answer is independent of $\mathfrak{k} \Rightarrow \mathfrak{h}_{G} / \mathfrak{h}_{G}^{\prime \prime}$ is torsion-free.
(7) Using formality of $G_{\Gamma}$, together with $\mathfrak{h}_{G} / \mathfrak{h}_{G}^{\prime \prime} \otimes \mathbb{Q} \xrightarrow{\simeq} \operatorname{gr}\left(G / G^{\prime \prime}\right) \otimes \mathbb{Q}$ ends the proof.

## Example

Let $\Gamma$ be a pentagon, and $\Gamma^{\prime}$ a square with an edge attached to a vertex. Then:

- $P_{\Gamma}=P_{\Gamma^{\prime}}=1-5 t+5 t^{2}$, and so

$$
\phi_{k}\left(G_{\Gamma}\right)=\phi_{k}\left(G_{\Gamma^{\prime}}\right), \quad \text { for all } k \geq 1 .
$$

- $Q_{\Gamma}=5 t^{2}+5 t^{3}$ but $Q_{\Gamma^{\prime}}=5 t^{2}+5 t^{3}+t^{4}$, and so

$$
\theta_{k}\left(G_{\Gamma}\right) \neq \theta_{k}\left(G_{\Gamma^{\prime}}\right), \quad \text { for } k \geq 4 .
$$

## Artin kernels

## Definition

Given a graph $\Gamma$, and an epimorphism $\chi: G_{\Gamma} \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}$, the corresponding Artin kernel is the group

$$
N_{\chi}=\operatorname{ker}\left(\chi: G_{\Gamma} \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}\right)
$$

Note that $N_{\chi}=\pi_{1}\left(T_{L}^{\chi}\right)$, where $T_{L}^{\chi} \rightarrow T_{L}$ is the regular $\mathbb{Z}$-cover defined by $\chi$. A classifying space for $N_{\chi}$ is $T_{\Delta r}^{\chi}$, where $\Gamma=L^{(1)}$.

Noteworthy is the case when $\chi$ is the "diagonal" homomorphism $\nu: G_{\Gamma} \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}$, which assigns to each vertex the value 1 .

The corresponding Artin kernel, $N_{\Gamma}=N_{\nu}$, is called the Bestvina-Brady group associated to $\Gamma$.

Stallings, Bieri, Bestvina and Brady: geometric and homological finiteness properties of $N_{\Gamma} \longleftrightarrow$ topology of $\Delta_{\Gamma}$, e.g.:

- $N_{\Gamma}$ is finitely generated $\Longleftrightarrow \Gamma$ is connected
- $N_{\Gamma}$ is finitely presented $\Longleftrightarrow \Delta_{\Gamma}$ is simply-connected.

More generally, it follows from Meier-Meinert-VanWyk (1998) and Bux-Gonzalez (1999) that:

## Theorem

Assume $L$ is a flag complex. Let $\mathrm{W}=\{v \in \mathrm{~V} \mid \chi(v) \neq 0\}$ be the support of $\chi$. Then:
(1) $N_{\chi}$ is finitely generated $\Longleftrightarrow L_{\mathrm{W}}$ is connected, and, $\forall v \in \mathrm{~V} \backslash \mathrm{~W}$, there is a $w \in W$ such that $\{v, w\} \in L$.
(2) $N_{\chi}$ is finitely presented $\Longleftrightarrow L_{W}$ is 1 -connected and, $\forall \sigma \in L_{V} \backslash W$, the space $\mathrm{Ik}_{L_{W}}(\sigma)=\left\{\tau \in L_{W} \mid \tau \cup \sigma \in L\right\}$ is $(1-|\sigma|)$-acyclic.

## Theorem (P.-S. 2009)

Let $\Gamma$ be a graph, and $N_{\chi}$ and Artin kernel.
(1) If $H_{1}\left(N_{\chi}, \mathbb{Q}\right)$ is a trivial $\mathbb{Q Z}$-module, then $N_{\chi}$ is finitely generated.
(2) If both $H_{1}\left(N_{\chi}, \mathbb{Q}\right)$ and $H_{2}\left(N_{\chi}, \mathbb{Q}\right)$ have trivial $\mathbb{Z}$-action, then $N_{\chi}$ is 1-formal.
Thus, if $\Gamma$ is connected, and $H_{1}\left(\Delta_{\Gamma}, \mathbb{Q}\right)=0$, then $N_{\Gamma}$ is 1 -formal.

## Theorem (P.-S. 2009)

Suppose $H_{1}(N, \mathbb{Q})$ has trivial $\mathbb{Z}$-action. Then, both $\operatorname{gr}(N)$ and $\operatorname{gr}\left(N / N^{\prime \prime}\right)$ are torsion-free, with graded ranks, $\phi_{k}$ and $\theta_{k}$, given by

$$
\begin{aligned}
& \prod_{k=1}^{\infty}\left(1-t^{k}\right)^{\phi_{k}}=\frac{P_{\Gamma}(-t)}{1-t} \\
& \sum_{k=2}^{\infty} \theta_{k} t^{k}=Q_{\Gamma}\left(\frac{t}{1-t}\right)
\end{aligned}
$$

## Resonance varieties

Let $X$ be a connected CW-complex with finite $k$-skeleton $(k \geq 1)$.
Let $\mathbb{k}$ be a field; if char $\mathbb{k}=2$, assume $H_{1}(X, \mathbb{Z})$ has no 2-torsion.
Let $A=H^{*}(X, \mathbb{k})$. Then: $a \in A^{1} \Rightarrow a^{2}=0$. Thus, get cochain complex

$$
(A, \cdot a): A^{0} \xrightarrow{a} A^{1} \xrightarrow{a} A^{2} \longrightarrow \cdots
$$

## Definition (Falk 1997, Matei-S. 2000)

The resonance varieties of $X$ (over $\mathbb{k}$ ) are the algebraic sets

$$
\mathcal{R}_{d}^{i}(X, \mathbb{k})=\left\{a \in A^{1} \mid \operatorname{dim}_{\mathbb{k}} H^{i}(A, a) \geq d\right\}
$$

defined for all integers $0 \leq i \leq k$ and $d>0$.

- $\mathcal{R}_{d}^{i}$ are homogeneous subvarieties of $A^{1}=H^{1}(X, \mathbb{k})$
- $\mathcal{R}_{1}^{i} \supseteq \mathcal{R}_{2}^{i} \supseteq \cdots \supseteq \mathcal{R}_{b_{i}+1}^{i}=\emptyset$, where $b_{i}=b_{i}(X, \mathbb{k})$.
- $\mathcal{R}_{d}^{1}(X, \mathbb{k})$ depends only on $G=\pi_{1}(X)$, so denote it by $\mathcal{R}_{d}(G, \mathbb{k})$.


## Resonance of toric complexes

Recall $A=H^{*}\left(T_{L}, \mathbb{k}\right)$ is the exterior Stanley-Reisner ring of $L$. Using a formula of Aramova, Avramov, and Herzog (1999), we prove:

## Theorem (P.-S. 2009)

$$
\mathcal{R}_{d}^{i}\left(T_{L}, \mathbb{k}\right)=\bigcup_{\sum_{\sigma \in L_{V} \backslash W}} \bigcup_{\operatorname{dim}_{\mathbb{k}} \widetilde{H}_{i-1-|\sigma|}\left(\mathbb{k}_{L \mathbb{W}}(\sigma), \mathbb{k}\right) \geq d} \mathbb{k}^{\mathrm{W}},
$$

where $L_{W}$ is the subcomplex induced by $L$ on W , and $\mathrm{Ik}_{K}(\sigma)$ is the link of a simplex $\sigma$ in a subcomplex $K \subseteq L$.

In particular:

$$
\mathcal{R}_{1}^{1}\left(G_{\Gamma}, \mathbb{k}\right)=\bigcup_{\substack{\mathrm{W} \subseteq \mathrm{~V} \\ \Gamma_{\mathrm{W}} \text { disconnected }}} \mathbb{k}^{\mathrm{W}}
$$



## Example

Let $\Gamma$ and $\Gamma^{\prime}$ be the two graphs above. Both have

$$
P(t)=1+6 t+9 t^{2}+4 t^{3}, \quad \text { and } \quad Q(t)=t^{2}\left(6+8 t+3 t^{2}\right) .
$$

Thus, $G_{\Gamma}$ and $G_{\Gamma}$, have the same LCS and Chen ranks. Each resonance variety has 3 components, of codimension 2 :

$$
\mathcal{R}_{1}\left(G_{\Gamma}, \mathbb{k}\right)=\mathbb{k}^{\overline{23}} \cup \mathbb{k}^{25} \cup \mathbb{k}^{\overline{35}}, \quad \mathcal{R}_{1}\left(G_{\Gamma^{\prime}}, \mathbb{k}\right)=\mathbb{k}^{\overline{15}} \cup \mathbb{k}^{\overline{25}} \cup \mathbb{k}^{\overline{26}} .
$$

Yet the two varieties are not isomorphic, since $\operatorname{dim}\left(\mathbb{k}^{\overline{23}} \cap \mathbb{k}^{\overline{25}} \cap \mathbb{k}^{\overline{35}}\right)=3, \quad$ but $\quad \operatorname{dim}\left(\mathbb{k}^{\overline{55}} \cap \mathbb{k}^{\overline{25}} \cap \mathbb{k}^{\overline{26}}\right)=2$.

## Kähler manifolds

## Definition

A compact, connected, complex manifold $M$ is called a Kähler manifold if $M$ admits a Hermitian metric $h$ for which the imaginary part $\omega=\Im(h)$ is a closed 2 -form.

Examples: Riemann surfaces, $\mathbb{C P}^{n}$, and, more generally, smooth, complex projective varieties.

## Definition

A group $G$ is a Kähler group if $G=\pi_{1}(M)$, for some compact Kähler manifold $M$.
$G$ is projective if $M$ is actually a smooth projective variety.

- $G$ finite $\Rightarrow G$ is a projective group (Serre 1958).
- $G_{1}, G_{2}$ Kähler groups $\Rightarrow G_{1} \times G_{2}$ is a Kähler group
- $G$ Kähler group, $H<G$ finite-index subgroup $\Rightarrow H$ is a Kähler gp


## Problem (Serre 1958)

Which finitely presented groups are Kähler (or projective) groups?
The Kähler condition puts strong restrictions on $M$ :
(1) $H^{*}(M, \mathbb{Z})$ admits a Hodge structure
(2) Hence, the odd Betti numbers of $M$ are even
(3) $M$ is formal, i.e., $(\Omega(M), d) \simeq\left(H^{*}(M, \mathbb{R}), 0\right)$
(Deligne-Griffiths-Morgan-Sullivan 1975)
The Kähler condition also puts strong restrictions on $G=\pi_{1}(M)$ :
(1) $b_{1}(G)$ is even
(2) $G$ is 1 -formal, i.e., its Malcev Lie algebra $\mathfrak{m}(G)$ is quadratic
(3) G cannot split non-trivially as a free product (Gromov 1989)

## Quasi-Kähler manifolds

## Definition

A manifold $X$ is called quasi-Kähler if $X=\bar{X} \backslash D$, where $\bar{X}$ is a compact Kähler manifold and $D$ is a divisor with normal crossings.

Similar definition for $X$ quasi-projective.
The notions of quasi-Kähler group and quasi-projective group are defined as above.

- $X$ quasi-projective $\Rightarrow H^{*}(X, \mathbb{Z})$ has a mixed Hodge structure
(Deligne 1972-74)
- $X=\mathbb{C P}^{n} \backslash\{$ hyperplane arrangement $\} \Rightarrow X$ is formal
(Brieskorn 1973)
- $X$ quasi-projective, $W_{1}\left(H^{1}(X, \mathbb{C})\right)=0 \Rightarrow \pi_{1}(X)$ is 1-formal (Morgan 1978)
- $X=\mathbb{C P}^{n} \backslash\{$ hypersurface $\} \Rightarrow \pi_{1}(X)$ is 1 -formal
(Kohno 1983)


## Resonance varieties of quasi-Kähler manifolds

## Theorem (D.-P.-S. 2009)

Let $X$ be a quasi-Kähler manifold, and $G=\pi_{1}(X)$. Let $\left\{L_{\alpha}\right\}_{\alpha}$ be the non-zero irred components of $\mathcal{R}_{1}(G)$. If $G$ is 1 -formal, then
(1) Each $L_{\alpha}$ is a p-isotropic linear subspace of $H^{1}(G, \mathbb{C})$, with $\operatorname{dim} L_{\alpha} \geq 2 p+2$, for some $p=p(\alpha) \in\{0,1\}$.
(2) If $\alpha \neq \beta$, then $L_{\alpha} \cap L_{\beta}=\{0\}$.
(8) $\mathcal{R}_{d}(G)=\{0\} \cup \bigcup_{\alpha} L_{\alpha}$, where the union is over all $\alpha$ for which $\operatorname{dim} L_{\alpha}>d+p(\alpha)$.
Furthermore,
(9) If $X$ is compact Kähler, then $G$ is 1 -formal, and each $L_{\alpha}$ is 1 -isotropic.
(0. If $X$ is a smooth, quasi-projective variety, and $W_{1}\left(H^{1}(X, \mathbb{C})\right)=0$, then $G$ is 1 -formal, and each $L_{\alpha}$ is 0 -isotropic.

## Theorem (Dimca-Papadima-S. 2009)

The following are equivalent:
(1) $G_{\Gamma}$ is a quasi-Kähler group
(2) $\Gamma=K_{n_{1}, \ldots, n_{r}}:=\bar{K}_{n_{1}} * \cdots * \bar{K}_{n_{r}}$
(3) $G_{\Gamma}=F_{n_{1}} \times \cdots \times F_{n_{r}}$
(1) $G_{\Gamma}$ is a Kähler group
(2) $\Gamma=K_{2 r}$
(3) $G_{\Gamma}=\mathbb{Z}^{2 r}$

## Example

Let $\Gamma$ be a linear path on 4 vertices. The maximal disconnected subgraphs are $\Gamma_{\{134\}}$ and $\Gamma_{\{124\}}$. Thus:

$$
\mathcal{R}_{1}\left(G_{\Gamma}, \mathbb{C}\right)=\mathbb{C}^{\{134\}} \cup \mathbb{C}^{\{124\}} .
$$

But $\mathbb{C}\{134\} \cap \mathbb{C}^{\{124\}}=\mathbb{C}^{\{14\}}$, which is a non-zero subspace. Thus, $G_{\Gamma}$ is not a quasi-Kähler group.

## Theorem (D.-P.-S. 2008)

For a Bestvina-Brady group $N_{\Gamma}=\operatorname{ker}\left(\nu: G_{\Gamma} \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}\right)$, the following are equivalent:
(1) $N_{\Gamma}$ is a quasi-Kähler group
(2) is either a tree, or
$\Gamma=K_{n_{1}, \ldots, n_{r}}$, with some $n_{i}=1$, or all $n_{i} \geq 2$ and $r \geq 3$.
(1) $N_{\Gamma}$ is a Kähler group
(2) $\Gamma=K_{2 r+1}$
(3) $N_{\Gamma}=\mathbb{Z}^{2 r}$

## Example

$\Gamma=K_{2,2,2} \rightsquigarrow G_{\Gamma}=F_{2} \times F_{2} \times F_{2}$
$N_{\Gamma}=$ the Stallings group $=\pi_{1}\left(\mathbb{C P}^{2} \backslash\{6\right.$ lines $\left.\}\right)$
$N_{\Gamma}$ is finitely presented, but $H_{3}\left(N_{\Gamma}, \mathbb{Z}\right)$ has infinite rank, so $N_{\Gamma}$ not $\mathrm{FP}_{3}$.

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