

Special 3-dimensional flips

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1. Definitions and examples

Let X be a normal complex algebraic variety. By $K = K_X$ we denote its canonical Weil divisor. A divisor of the form $K+D$ is log-canonical if

(i) all $0 \leq d_i \leq 1$ where $D = \sum d_i D_i \in \text{Div}_{\mathbb{R}} X = \mathbb{R} \otimes \text{Div } X$ and D_i are different prime Weil divisors.

(ii) There exists a resolution $f: \tilde{X} \rightarrow X$ such that

$$\tilde{K} + \tilde{D} = f^*(K + D) + \sum a_i E_i$$

with discrepancy coefficients $a_i \geq -1$ and with non-singular normally crossing components of divisors \tilde{D} and E , where \tilde{K} is a canonical divisor of \tilde{X} , \tilde{D} is the proper inverse image of D and $E = \sum E_i$ is the sum of exceptional divisors. In the case when all $a_i > -1$ the divisor $K+D$ is log-terminal. These conditions are not only on singularities of X but also on that of D .

Examples. 1. If $K+D$ is log-terminal then K is also log-terminal. K is log-terminal in all non-singular points of X . Due to Kawamata a surface singular point p is log-terminal for K iff p is a quotient singularity. These singularities were classified by O. Riemenschneider. The minimal resolution of them consists of normally crossing non-singular rational curves and its graph has one of the well-known types A_n , D_n and E_6, E_7, E_8 . They are types of p .

2. $K + \{y = 0\} + \frac{1}{2} \{y = x^2\}$ is log-canonical on A^2 and log-terminal on $A^2 \setminus \{(0,0)\}$.

Log-canonical $K+D$ is n -complementary if there exists a Weil divisor $\tilde{D} \in |-nK - \lfloor (n+1)D \rfloor$ such that

$$K + \lfloor (n+1)D \rfloor / n + \bar{D}/n$$

is also log-canonical. Complementary means 1-complementary.

Lemma. If $D' \geq D$ and $K+D'$ is n -complementary, then $K+D$ is also n -complementary.

$$\text{Take } \bar{D} = \bar{D}' + \lfloor (n+1)D' \rfloor - \lfloor (n+1)D \rfloor .$$

Proposition. Let $Z \subset X$ be a subvariety on which $K+D$ is negative log-terminal with $\lfloor D \rfloor = 0$. Then $K+D$ near Z is n -complementary for some natural n .

Examples. 2. Consider negative $K+D$ on \mathbb{P}^1 with $\lfloor D \rfloor = 0$, i.e. $D = \sum d_i p_i$ with

$$0 \leq d_i < 1 \quad \text{and} \quad \sum d_i < 2$$

where p_i are different points on \mathbb{P}^1 . In addition, let $d_1 \geq d_2 \geq \dots$. Then $K+D$ is always 1-, 2-, 3-, 4- or 6-complementary. Moreover,

$K+D$ is not 1-complementary iff $d_1, d_2, d_3 \geq \frac{1}{2}$;

$K+D$ is not 1- and 2-complementary iff $d_1, d_2 \geq \frac{2}{3}$, $d_3 \geq \frac{1}{2}$ or $d_1 = \frac{2}{3}$,

$d_2 = d_3 = \frac{1}{2}$ and $d_4 = \frac{1}{3}$;

$K+D$ is not 1-, 2- and 3-complementary iff $d_1 \geq \frac{3}{4}$, $d_2 \geq \frac{2}{3}$ and $d_3 \geq \frac{1}{2}$;

$K+D$ is not 1-, 2-, 3- and 4-complementary iff $d_1 \geq \frac{4}{5}$, $d_2 \geq \frac{2}{3}$ and $d_3 \geq \frac{1}{2}$.

3. Let K is log-terminal near a surface point p . Then K near p is always 1-, 2-, 3-, 4- or 6-complementary. Moreover,

K is not 1-complementary iff p has the type D_n or E_6, E_7, E_8 ;

K is not 1– and 2–complementary iff p has the type E_6, E_7 or E_8 ;

K is not 1–, 2– and 3–complementary iff p has the type E_7 or E_8 ;

K is not 1–, 2–, 3– and 4–complementary iff p has the type E_8 .

This is easily derived from the Riemanschnneider classification or from the previous example.

4. (Alekseev, Reid, Shokurov). K is complementary on a Fano 3–fold with log–terminal singularities of index ≥ 1 .

5. (Mori, Reid). K is complementary near any 3–fold terminal singularity.

6. (Mori). K is 1– or 2–complementary near the support of negative extremal ray of flipping type on a 3–fold with terminal singularities.

7. (Mori, Morrison, ?). There exist 4–dimensional terminal quotient singularities, which are not 1–, nor 2– complementary.

2. Adjunction of log–canonical divisors

Consider a log–canonical divisor

$$K + D_0 + D$$

where D_0 is a sum of different prime Weil divisors of X . Let

$$\nu : D_0^\nu \longrightarrow D_0 \subset X$$

be the normalization of D_0 . Note that normally crossing components of D_0 are considered as normal. Let

$$(K + D_0 + D) \Big|_{D_0^\nu} \stackrel{\text{df}}{=} \nu^*(K + D_0 + D)$$

where the map $\nu^* : \text{Div}_{\mathbb{R}} X \dashrightarrow \text{Div}_{\mathbb{R}} D_0^\nu$ is induced by the lifting of the Cartier divisors.

Adjunction Theorem. If $K + D_0 + D$ is log-canonical (resp. log-terminal) then

$$(K + D_0 + D) \Big|_{D_0^\nu} = K_{D_0^\nu} + C$$

is also log-canonical (resp. log-terminal).

The general statement is easily derived from the 2-dimensional case. Moreover, from the standard Minimal Model Conjectures follows

IA(D_0, D) Conjecture. If $(K + D_0 + D) \Big|_{D_0^\nu}$ is log-canonical (resp. log-terminal) then $K + D_0 + D$ is log-canonical (resp. log-terminal) near D_0 .

Example. IA(D_0, D) is true and useful in dimension two. Indeed in this case D_0 is normal, D intersects D_0 only in non-singular points p of D_0 and $(D_0 \cdot D)_p \leq 1$.

Proposition. If $\dim X = 3$ and D is integer near D_0 then IA(D_0, D) is true.

This follows from the existence of relative minimal models due to Tsunoda, Shokurov, Mori and Kawamata [SH].

Lemma. If $K + D_0 + D$ is log-canonical then for any natural n

$$(nK + nD_0 + \iota(n+1)D_J) \Big|_{D_0^\nu} \leq nK_{D_0^\nu} + \iota(n+1)C_J .$$

The proof uses the following 2-dimensional facts

(1) If $K + D_0$ is log-terminal near p and D_0 paths through p then D_0 is a non-singular curve near p and $(K + D_0)|_{D_0} = K_{D_0} + cp$ where $c = \frac{m-1}{m}$ and m is natural. This number m is the index of $K + D_0$ in p .

(2) In addition every integer divisor near p has the index which divides m .

Epi-restriction Theorem. Let $Z \subset D_0$ be a subvariety such that

- (i) $K + D_0 + D$ is log-terminal;
- (ii) $K + D_0 + D$ is negative on Z ;
- (iii) $nK + nD_0 + \iota(n+1)D_J \geq nK + nD_0 + nD$.

Then the restriction map

$$|-nK - nD_0 - \iota(n+1)D_J| \dashrightarrow |-nK_{D_0^\nu} - \iota(n+1)C_J| + A$$

is epi near Z , where

$$A = nK_{D_0^\nu} + \iota(n+1)C_J - (nK + nD_0 + \iota(n+1)D_J) \Big|_{D_0^\nu}$$

is an effective divisor according to the previous lemma.

The proof uses the Kawamata–Viehweg vanishing theorem on a desingularization of X .

Corollary. If $K + D_0 + D$ is log-terminal and $\iota(D) = 0$ then D_0 is normal.

Use locally the theorem in the case $n = 0$.

3. Classification of log-terminal surface divisors

Theorem. Let $K+D$ is log-terminal near a surface point p . Then $K+D$ is 1-, 2-, 3-, 4- or 6-complementary near p .

Sketch proof. Firstly we find such contraction $f: \tilde{X} \rightarrow X$ that

- (i) $\tilde{K} + E + \tilde{D}$ is log-terminal near E ,
- (ii) $\tilde{K} + E + \tilde{D}$ is numerically negative on E and
- (iii) $E = \mathbb{P}^1$,

where E is the exceptional locus over p . Then we combine Example 2 from Sec. 1 and Epi-restriction theorem to choose n and \bar{D} such that

$$(iv) \quad (\tilde{K} + E + \tilde{D})|_E = K_E + C \text{ is } n\text{-complementary where}$$

$n = 1, 2, 3, 4$ or 6 and

$$(v) \quad \bar{D}|_E = \bar{C} + A$$

where $\bar{D} \in | -n\tilde{K} - nE - \iota(n+1)\tilde{D} |$, $\bar{C} \in | -nK_E - \iota(n+1)C |$ and

$$K_E + \iota(n+1)C/n + \bar{C}/n$$

is log-canonical. Due to Lemma from Sec. 1 decreasing D we may satisfy the condition

(iii) from Epi-restriction theorem. The divisor

$$\tilde{K} + E + \lfloor (n+1)D \rfloor / n + D/n$$

is numerically trivial on E and log-canonical near E by Example of Sec. 2. So $K+D$ is n -complementary near p with a completion $f_*D \in |-nK - \lfloor (n+1)D \rfloor|$. By the way we obtain

Proposition. Let $K+D$ is log-terminal near a surface point p and $d_i \geq \frac{5}{6}$ for some curve D_i through p . Then $K+D$ is 1- or 2-complementary.

In this case $C = \sum c_i p_i$ with some $c_i \geq \frac{5}{6}$ and hence with $\sum_{i \neq i} c_j < 2 - \frac{5}{6} = \frac{7}{6} = \frac{1}{2} + \frac{2}{3}$. By Example 2 of Sec. 1 then $K_E + C$ is 1- or 2-complementary.

4. Special log-terminal flips

Theorem. Let $\dim X = 3$, $K+D$ is log-terminal near p , all $d_i \geq \frac{2}{3}$ and $d_{i_0} = 1$, $d_{i_1} \geq \frac{5}{6}$ for some different D_{i_0}, D_{i_1} . Then $K+D$ is 1- or 2-complementary near p .

Follows from Proposition of Sec. 3 and restriction arguments. In spite of Example of Sec. 2 use Proposition of the Sec. in the 2-complementary case on the 2-cover.

Let $f: X \rightarrow C$ be such family of surfaces over a curve that

- (i) X is non-singular,
- (ii) all fibres $f^{-1}(c)$ consist of non-singular surface with normal crossing

and

- (iii) the general fibre is a minimal surface of the general type.

Then any divisor $K+D$ is log-terminal if $D = \sum d_i D_i$ with $0 \leq d_i \leq 1$ and all D_i lie in fibres. A relative minimal model for $K+D$ is a birationally transformed family

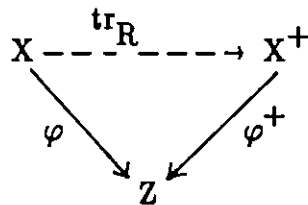
$\tilde{f} : \tilde{X} \longrightarrow C$ for which

- (iv) all fibres $\tilde{f}^{-1}(c)$ are proper transforms of fibres $f^{-1}(C)$,
- (v) $\tilde{K} + \tilde{D}$ is log-canonical,
- (vi) $\tilde{K} + \tilde{D}$ is relatively ample for \tilde{f} and
- (vii) discrepancy coefficients $a_i \geq -d_i$ for contracted divisors D_i .

Easy to check that such model is unique if exists. Fix a special fibre $\bigcup_{i=1}^N D_i = f^{-1}(c_0)$ and identify divisors $D = \sum d_i D_i$ with points of the cube $[0,1]^N$. From Kawamata results [Ka] follow that near $f^{-1}(c_0)$ the relative minimal models exist for a subcube $[1-\epsilon,1]^N$ where $\epsilon > 0$ depends of the family f near $f^{-1}(c_0)$.

Relative Model Theorem. There exists $0 \leq d_0 \leq \frac{5}{8}$ that near $f^{-1}(c_0)$ the relative minimal models exist in a subcube $(d_0,1]^N$ and they give a locally finite convex polyhedral decomposition of $(d,1]^N$.

Remain that conjecturely any extremal ray R negative for a log-terminal divisor $K+D$ and of flipping type (i.e. in the dimension three contracting only curves) has an adjoint diagram or a flip. This should be a commutative diagram



consisting of

- (a) a birational map $\text{tr}_R : X \dashrightarrow X^+$ which is an isomorphism except for loci of codimension ≥ 2 ,

(b) a contraction φ^+ such that the divisor $K + D^+$ is log-terminal and relatively ample for φ^+ where D^+ is the proper transform of D .

Corollary 1. Let $\dim X = 3$, $\text{Sing } X \subset \text{Supp } D$, all $d_i \geq d_0$ and D has the fibre type, i.e. $(R, \sum \delta_i D_i) = 0$ for some $\delta_i > 0$. Then a flip exists for R .

Corollary 2. If $\dim X = 3$ and all $d_i \geq d_0$ then $\text{IA}(D_0, D)$ is true.

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