

Constructing Logarithmic

Moduli

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CURVE COUNTING:

GROMOV-WITTEN

DONALDSON-THOMAS

Stable Maps (X)

MNOP

Hilbert Scheme (X)

Give X a SNC divisor

$D \subseteq X$

Logarithmic Maps $(X|D)$

...?

TODAY

ABRAMOVICH-CHEN

GROSS-SIEBERT

• J. Li & Li-Wu

• why is it interesting?

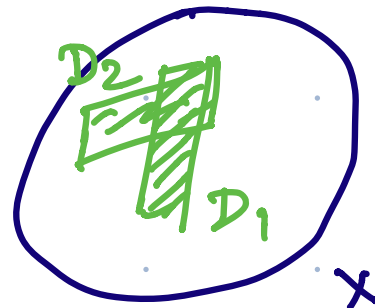
• why is it different?

Logarithmic Hilbert Scheme of Curves.

X : smooth proj. variety

Fix $D \subseteq X$ SNC. Start with the usual

Hilbert scheme:



$$\mathbb{Z} \hookrightarrow X = \text{Hilb}(X)$$

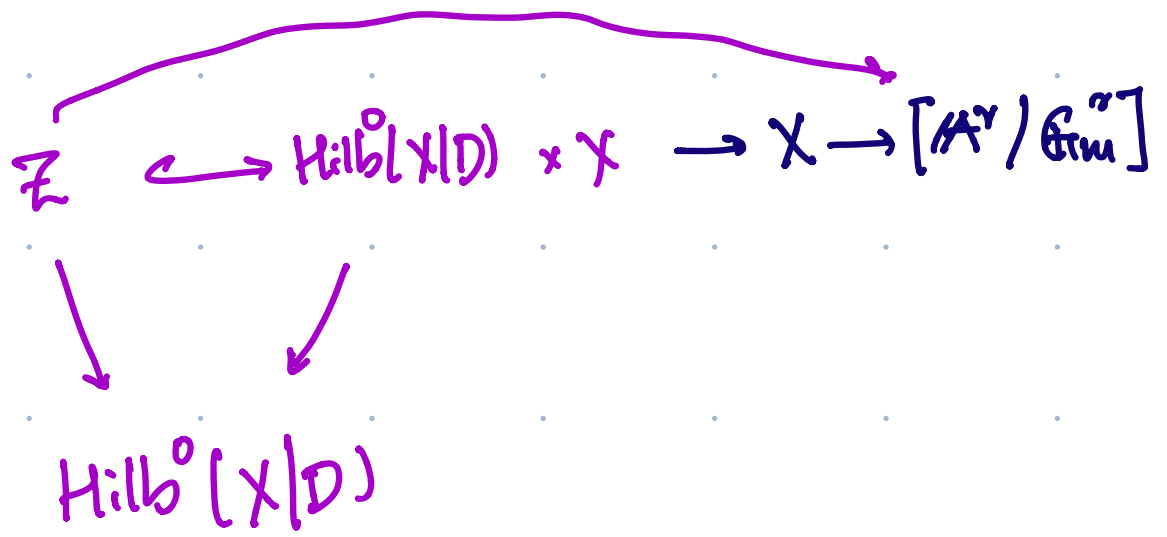
$$\downarrow \quad \downarrow$$
$$\mathbb{P} \in \text{Hilb}(X)$$

The divisor $D \subseteq X$ determines an interesting locus:

$$\mathbb{Z}_p \hookrightarrow X \xrightarrow{"D"} [A^r / G_m^r]$$

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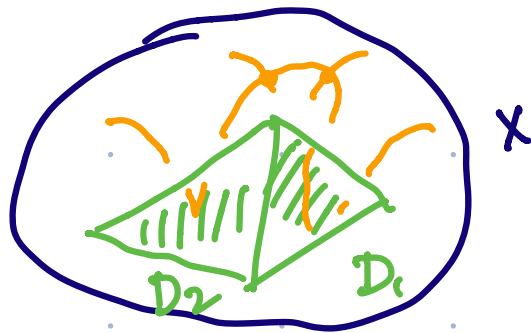
The transverse locus:



Geometric Consequence: If $D_i \subseteq D$ is a component

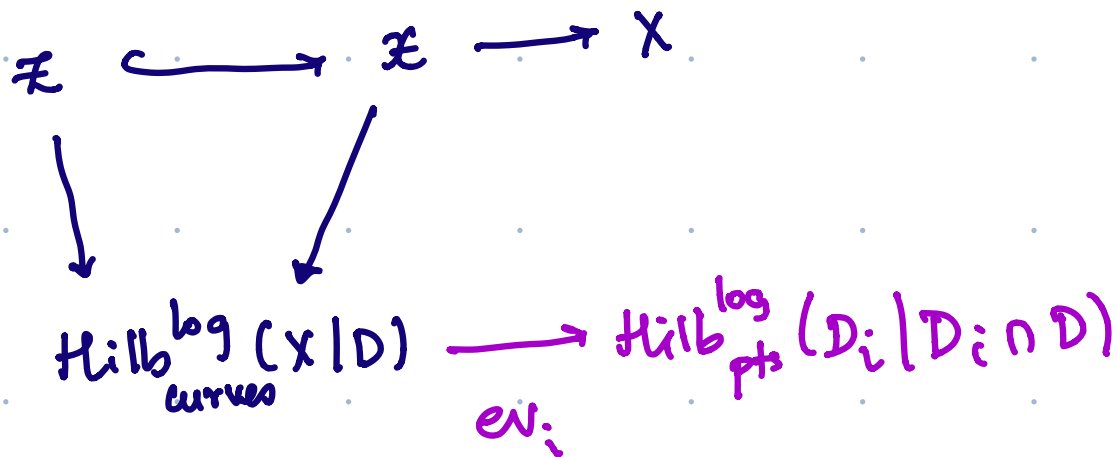
X : 3-fold

$\text{ev}_i: \text{Hilb}^0(X|D) \rightarrow \text{Hilb}^0(D_i | D_i \cap D)$
 curves points.



The ideal outcome:

Logarithmic Hilbert schemes:



FIRST APPROXIMATION:

Study subschemes in logarithmic expansions of X along D .

— I want to explain how to build this. —

Torus Orbit Closures: in Hilbert schemes.

Say $Z^0 \hookrightarrow G_m^r$

what is a good toric compactification $X \supseteq G_m^r$
in which to compactify Z^0 ?

"Good" here:

$$\begin{array}{ccc} Z & \hookrightarrow & X & \longrightarrow & [X/G_m^r] & \text{--- Flat} \\ \uparrow & & \uparrow & & & \\ Z^0 & \hookrightarrow & G_m^r & & & \end{array}$$

- Does it exist?
- How to construct it?

Tevlev (Kapranov, Mirsch, Trubler, ...)

1. Using \mathbb{Z}^0 build: $G_m^r \hookrightarrow \text{Hilb}(\mathbb{P}^r)$

2. Take the closure of G_m^r & normalize to get γ .

THEOREM: The closure of \mathbb{Z}^0 in γ is **good**

$$\overline{\mathbb{Z}^0} \hookrightarrow \gamma \rightarrow [\gamma / G_m^r]$$

FLAT.

Σ_γ on NIR .

What does it look like? Tropicalization!

Extend scalars to $K = \mathbb{C}((t^{\mathbb{R}}))$ — absurdly large field with valuation.

Compute image of Z^0 under:

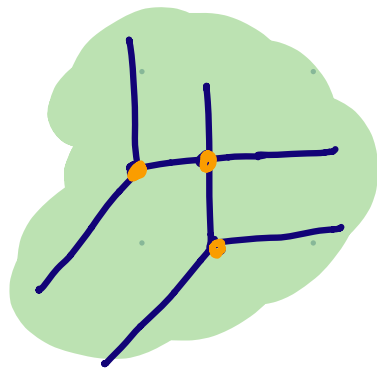
$$\text{trop}: \mathbb{A}_m^r(K) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^r$$

$$(z_1, \dots, z_r) \mapsto (\text{val}(z_1), \dots, \text{val}(z_r))$$

$\text{trop}(Z^0)$ is the support of a polyhedral complex

Σ_Y is supported on $\text{trop}(Z^0)$.

[this is where these pictures



come from]

How is this relevant?

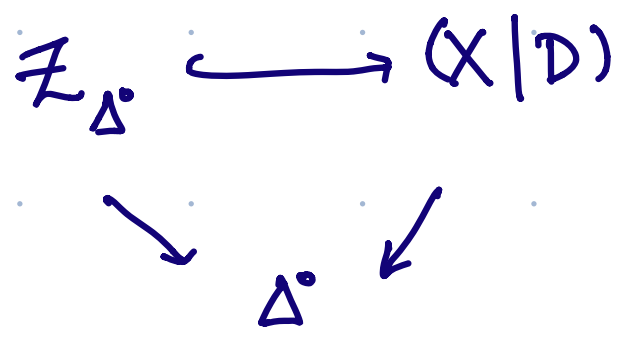
SNC_PAIR: $D \subseteq X$; r smooth divisors D_1, \dots, D_r meeting locally like coordinate planes in \mathbb{A}^r .

If you squint right...

$(X|D) \times \Delta$
└ SNC pair

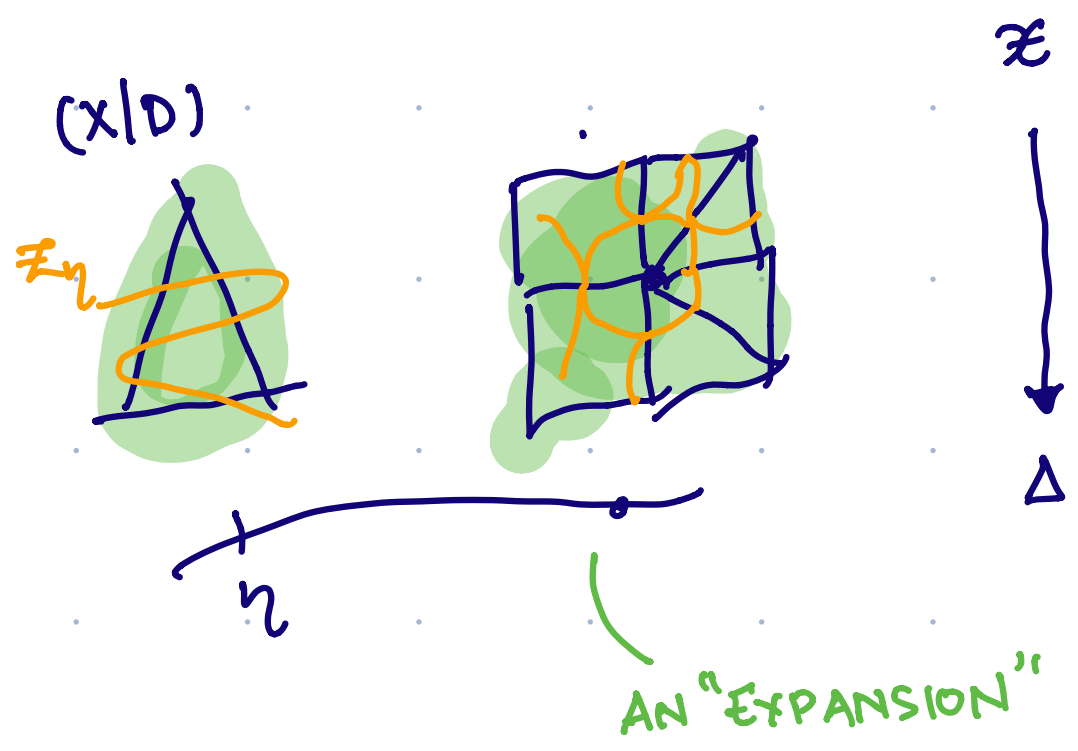
Input from $\text{Hilb}^0(X|D)$

see Ulirsch's first paper.

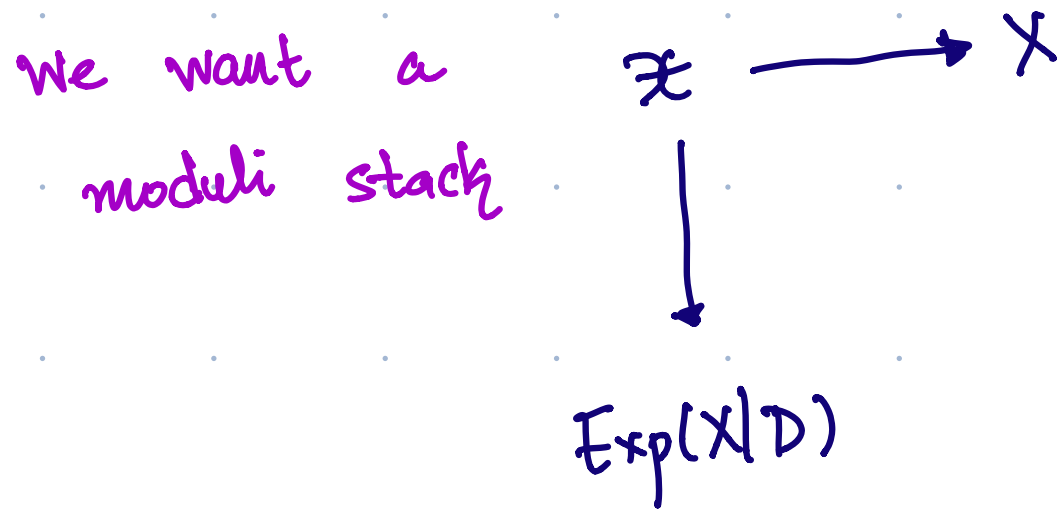


... a family of transverse subschemes

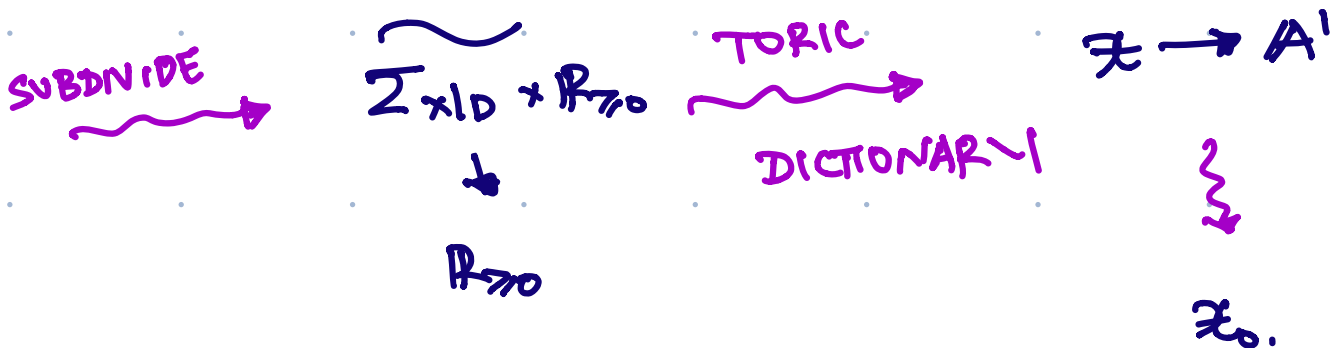
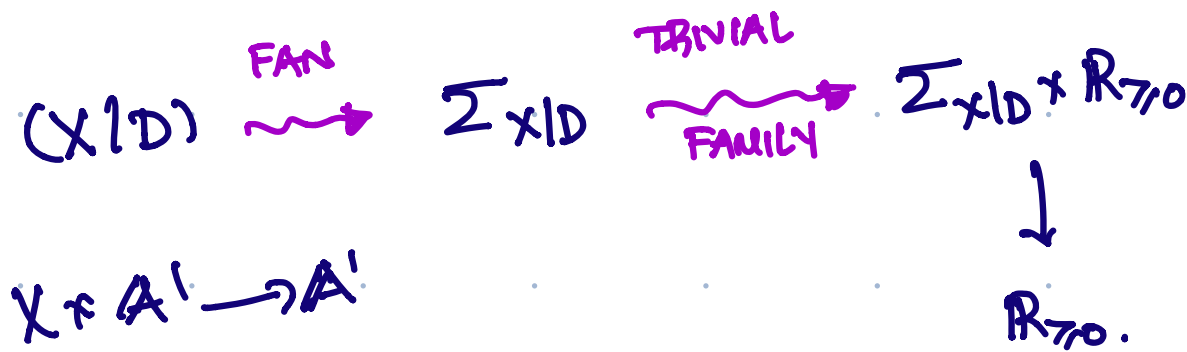
Output is a completion of the family:



The Universal Expansion

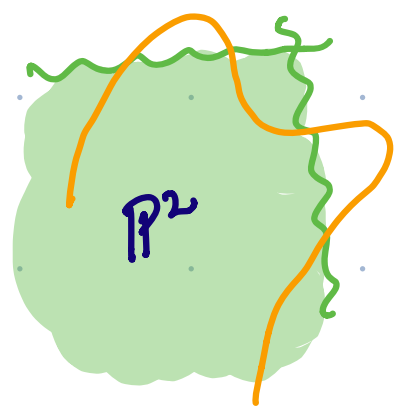
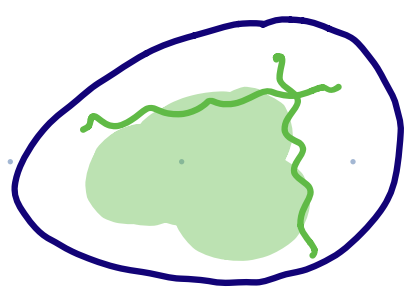


How do we build an expansion?

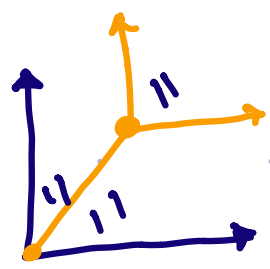


AN EXPANSION

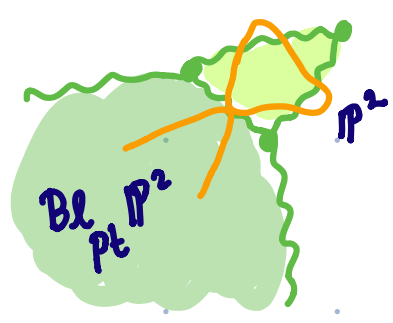
$(\mathbb{P}^2 | L_1 + L_2)$



DEGENERATES



DEFORMATION TO THE NORMAL CONE OF $L_1 \cap L_2$



In general : • Draw a graph in \mathbb{Z}^x/D

• Take a cone over it & apply the toric dictionary

A Strategy

Build the combinatorial moduli space

$$\tilde{\Sigma} \longrightarrow \Sigma$$



$$T(\Sigma \times |D|).$$

Hopefully it's given by cones glued along faces.

Convert this into an Artin stack

[Abramovich-Wise,
Chan-Cavalieri-Uirsch-
-Wise]

Hopefully end up with $\text{Exp}(X|D)$.

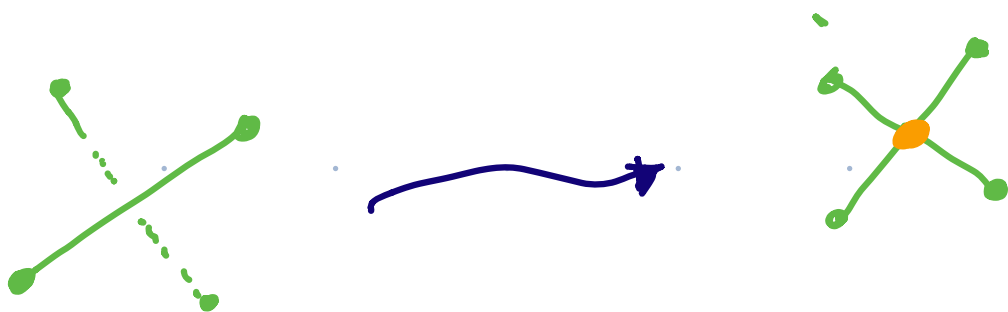
$$\text{colim } \delta \rightleftarrows \text{colim } [U_\sigma / T_\sigma]$$

$$\begin{array}{c} \uparrow \\ \text{colim} \\ \downarrow \end{array} \mathbb{R}_{\geq 0}^2 \rightleftarrows [A^2 / G_m^2]$$

The trouble with hope:

$T(\Sigma_{g|D})$ is not actually glued from
cone complexes (not "representable").

Ex: $T(\Sigma_{g|D})$ should contain a moduli space of
embedded metric graphs in $\mathbb{R}_{\geq 0}^3$.



Practically: No minimal polyhedral structure on a
polyhedral set.

It works out in the end:

There is an infinite collection

$$\{ \text{Exp}(X/D)_\lambda \}_\lambda$$

choice of a
polyhedral structure
on
 $T(\Sigma \times D)$

of birational stacks, each good enough for
a logarithmic Hilbert scheme to exist over it.

$$\{ \text{Hilb}_{\text{curves}}^{\log}(X/D) \}$$

\downarrow ev_i

$$\{ \text{Hilb}_{\text{pts}}^{\log}(D_i / D_i \cap D) \}$$

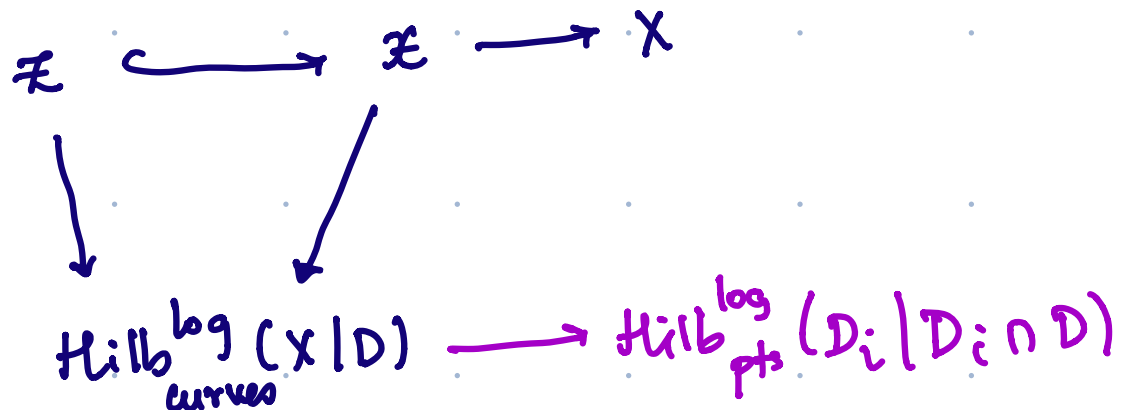
"The logarithmic Hilbert scheme exists."
 (at least for curves)

We relearn lessons: Nature wants us to invert
 a class of morphisms: SUBDIVISIONS but
 calculations in AG don't always allow this.

Similar: $\mathbb{P}^n_{\text{sm}}^{\log}$, Pic^{\log} , ...

cf Raynaud's
 "Admissible formal
 schemes"

THEOREM: There exist moduli spaces



with $\mathcal{Z}_p \hookrightarrow \mathcal{X}_p$ transverse. It is proper,

has a virtual class when $\dim X = 3$.

WHY WE STARTED ...

GROMOV-WITTEN
THEORY

MNOP

DONALDSON-THOMAS
THEORY

LI
GROSS-SIEBERT
ABRAMOVICH-CHEN
[& the
SYMPLECTOMORPHISTS]

Li-Wu
Maulik-R '20
[maybe some
of you!]

LOGARITHMIC
GW THEORY

NEW CONJECTURES

LOGARITHMIC
DT THEORY
=

DEGENERATION
FORMULAE

etc.

CONNECTIONS

• Logarithmic Grr theory redone, $(Grr/DT)^{\text{LOG}}$ conjecture

• Gelfand-Kapranov-Tevelev's SECONDARY POLYTOPES.

• Lafforgue's compactifications of thin Schubert cells

• Hacking-Keel-Tevelev: moduli of del Pezzo's
&
hyperplane arrangements.

& there is a lot to
do still!

THANKS !

