

# 1 Review on Hodge conjecture and Noether-Lefschetz problem

$X \subset \mathbb{P}^n$  : a smooth projective variety over  $\mathbb{C}$ .

The space of Hodge cycles of codimension  $q$  on  $X$ :

$$F^0 H^{2q}(X, \mathbb{Q}(q)) := H^{2q}(X, \mathbb{Q}(q)) \cap F^q H^{2q}(X, \mathbb{C}).$$

**Hodge Conjecture** :  $F^0 H^{2q}(X, \mathbb{Q}(q))$  is generated by the cycle classes of algebraic subvarieties of  $X$ , namely the cycle class map :

$$\rho_X^q : CH^q(X) \otimes \mathbb{Q} \rightarrow H^{2q}(X, \mathbb{Q}(q)) \cap F^q H^{2q}(X, \mathbb{C})$$

is surjective. Here:

$CH^q(X)$  : the Chow group of algebraic cycles of codimension  $q$  on  $X$  modulo rational equivalence,

$$\mathbb{Q}(q) = (2\pi\sqrt{-1})^q \mathbb{Q} \subset \mathbb{C},$$

$F^q H^{2q}(X, \mathbb{C}) \subset H^{2q}(X, \mathbb{C})$  is the Hodge filtration.

The space of trivial cycles on  $X \subset \mathbb{P}^n$ :

$$H^{2q}(X, \mathbb{Q}(q))_{triv} := \mathbb{Q} \cdot [X \cap L] \subset \text{Image}(\rho_X^q)$$

the subspace generated by the class of the section on  $X$  of a linear subspace  $L \subset \mathbb{P}^n$  of codimension  $q$ .

$S$  : a non-singular quasi-projective variety over  $\mathbb{C}$ ,

$\mathcal{X} \hookrightarrow \mathbb{P}_S^n = \mathbb{P}^n \times S$  : an algebraic family over  $S$  of smooth projective varieties,

$X_t$  : the fiber of  $\mathcal{X}$  over  $t \in S$ ,

The Noether-Lefschetz locus for Hodge cycles in codimension  $q$  on  $\mathcal{X}/S$ :

$$S_{NL}^q = \{t \in S \mid F^0 H^{2q}(X_t, \mathbb{Q}(q)) \neq H^{2q}(X_t, \mathbb{Q}(q))_{triv}\}.$$

$$F^0 H^{2q}(X_t, \mathbb{Q}(q)) = F^q H^{2q}(X_t, \mathbb{C}) \cap H^{2q}(X_t, \mathbb{Q}(q)).$$

It is the locus of such  $t \in S$  that there exist non-trivial Hodge cycles in codimension  $q$  on  $X_t$  and hence that the Hodge conjecture is non-trivial for  $X_t$ .

**Lemma**  $S_{NL}^q$  is the union of countable number of (not necessarily proper) closed analytic subsets of  $S$ .

$S$  : the moduli space of smooth hypersurfaces of degree  $d$  in  $\mathbb{P}^3$ ,

$\mathcal{X}/S$  : the universal family of hypersurfaces in  $\mathbb{P}^3$ .

$$S_{NL} = S_{NL}^q \text{ for } q = 1,$$

It is then the locus of those surfaces that possess curves which are not complete intersections of the given surface with another surface.

The celebrated theorem of Noether-Lefschetz affirms that every component of  $S_{NL}$  has positive codimension in  $S$  when  $d \geq 4$ .

**Theorem 1.1** (*M. Green and C. Voisin*)

*Let  $T$  be an irreducible component of  $S_{NL}$ .*

(1)  $\text{codim}(T) \geq d - 3$ .

(2) *Assume  $d \geq 5$ . If  $\text{codim}(T) = d - 3$ , then*

$$T = \{t \in S \mid X_t \text{ contains a line}\}.$$

## 2 Beilinson's Hodge conjecture

$U$  : a (non-complete) quasi-projective smooth variety over  $\mathbb{C}$ .

The space of Beilinson-Hodge cycles on  $U$ :

$$F^0 H^q(U, \mathbb{Q}(q)) := H^q(U, \mathbb{Q}(q)) \cap F^q H^q(U, \mathbb{C}).$$

If  $U$  is projective and  $q \neq 0$ ,  $F^0 H^q(U, \mathbb{Q}(q)) = 0$  by the Hodge symmetry.

The analogue of the cycle map  $\rho_X^q$  is the regulator maps:

$$\text{reg}_U^q : CH^q(U, q) \otimes \mathbb{Q} \rightarrow H^q(U, \mathbb{Q}(q)) \cap F^q H^q(U, \mathbb{C}),$$

Here:

$CH^q(U, q)$  : Bloch's higher Chow group,

$F^q H^q(U, \mathbb{C}) \subset H^q(X, \mathbb{C})$  is the Hodge filtration defined by Deligne.

**Beilinson-Hodge Conjecture** :  $\text{reg}_U^q$  is surjective.

(1)  $CH^1(U, 1) = \Gamma(U, \mathcal{O}_{Zar}^*)$   
 (invertible (algebraic) functions on  $U$ )

(2) There is a product map

$$\overbrace{CH^1(U, 1) \otimes \cdots \otimes CH^1(U, 1)}^{q \text{ times}} \rightarrow CH^q(U, q)$$

$$g_1 \otimes \cdots \otimes g_q \rightarrow \{g_1, \dots, g_q\}$$

The subspace generated by the *decomposable elements* :

$$CH^q(U, q)_{dec} = \langle \{g_1, \dots, g_q\} \mid g_j \in CH^1(U, 1) \rangle$$

(3) The formula for the value of  $reg_U^q$  on decomposable elements:

$$reg_U^q(\{g_1, \dots, g_q\}) = \frac{dg_1}{g_1} \wedge \cdots \wedge \frac{dg_q}{g_q} \in H^0(X, \Omega_X^q(\log Z)),$$

$$H^0(X, \Omega_X^q(\log Z)) = F^q H^q(U, \mathbb{C}) \quad (\text{Deligne})$$

Here,  $U \subset X$  is a smooth compactification with  $Z = X \setminus U$ , a simple normal crossing divisor on  $X$ .

(4) There is a map

$$\phi : CH^q(U, q) \rightarrow \text{Ker}(K_q^M(\mathbb{C}(U)) \xrightarrow{\partial} \bigoplus_{\substack{Z \subset U \\ \text{prime divisor}}} K_{q-1}^M(\mathbb{C}(Z))),$$

$\partial$  : *tame symbols*.

Here, for a field  $L$ ,  $K_q^M(L)$  is the Milnor  $K$ -group of  $L$ :

$$K_q^M(L) = \overbrace{L^\times \otimes \cdots \otimes L^\times}^{q \text{ times}} / \langle \text{Steinberg relation} \rangle$$

If  $q = 2$ , then  $\phi$  is surjective and  $reg_U^2$  factors through it.

## Noether-Lefschetz problem for Beilinson-Hodge cycles

The space of trivial Beilinson-Hodge cycles:

$$H^q(U, \mathbb{Q}(q))_{triv} := \text{reg}_U^q(CH^q(U, q)_{dec}) \subset F^0 H^q(U, \mathbb{Q}(q))$$

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In this lecture we explain some results on Noether-Lefschetz locus for Beilinson-Hodge cycles that are analogous to the theorem of Green-Voisin.