

Singular Del Pezzo varieties

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Del Pezzo surfaces

Definition

A del Pezzo surface is a smooth projective surface X with ample anticanonical class $-K_X$.

Projective models

Let X be a del Pezzo surface. Then one of the following holds:

- ▶ $K_X^2 = 1$ and $X \simeq X_6 \subset \mathbb{P}(1, 1, 2, 3)$,
- ▶ $K_X^2 = 2$ and $X \simeq X_4 \subset \mathbb{P}(1, 1, 1, 2)$,
- ▶ $K_X^2 = 3$ and $X \simeq X_3 \subset \mathbb{P}^3$,
- ▶ $K_X^2 = 4$ and $X \simeq X_{2,2} \subset \mathbb{P}^4$,
- ▶ $K_X^2 = 5$ and $X \simeq \text{Gr}(2, 5) \cap \mathbb{P}^5 \subset \mathbb{P}^9$,
- ▶ $K_X^2 = 6$ and $X \simeq (1, 1, 1) \subset \mathbb{P}^1 \times \mathbb{P}^1 \times \mathbb{P}^1$,
- ▶ $K_X^2 = 7$ and $X \simeq \text{Bl}_{P_1, P_2}(\mathbb{P}^2)$.
- ▶ $K_X^2 = 8$ and $X \simeq \mathbb{P}^1 \times \mathbb{P}^1$ or \mathbb{F}_1 .
- ▶ $K_X^2 = 9$ and $X \simeq \mathbb{P}^2$.

Del Pezzo surfaces

Blowup models

A del Pezzo surface is either $\mathbb{P}^1 \times \mathbb{P}^1$ or the blowup of $9 - K_X^2$ points in general position on \mathbb{P}^2 .

Lattice

The Picard group $\text{Pic}(X)$ of a del Pezzo surface X is a lattice of rank $10 - K_X^2$ equipped with a symmetric bilinear form $\langle -, - \rangle$ of signature $(1, 9 - K_X^2)$ and distinguished element $-K_X$.

The set

$$\Delta := \{\alpha \in \text{Pic}(X) \mid \langle \alpha, K_X \rangle = 0, \quad \langle \alpha, \alpha \rangle = -2\}$$

forms a root system of type

d	1	2	3	4	5	6	8
Δ	E_8	E_7	E_6	D_5	A_4	$A_2 \times A_1$	A_1

Del Pezzo varieties

Definition (T. Fujita)

A del Pezzo variety X is a Fano variety with at worst terminal Gorenstein singularities such that

$$-K_X = (n - 1)A,$$

where A is an ample line bundle and $n = \dim X$.

Invariants

- ▶ The degree of X : $d(X) := A^n$.
- ▶ The lattice $\text{Cl}(X)$ (Weil divisor class group) equipped with a natural symmetric bilinear form

$$\langle D_1, D_1 \rangle := A^{n-2} \cdot D_1 \cdot D_2.$$

and distinguished element $A \in \text{Cl}(X)$ with $\langle A, A \rangle = d(X)$.

- ▶ The rank of X : $r(X) := \text{rk Cl}(X)$.

Warning

In general we have $\text{Cl}(X) \supset \text{Pic}(X)$ but $\text{Cl}(X) \neq \text{Pic}(X)$.

Projective models

We assume that X is not a cone over a lower dimensional variety.

Theorem (V. Iskovskikh, T. Fujita, ...)

Let (X, A) be a del Pezzo variety of dimension $n \geq 3$.

Then $1 \leq d(X) \leq 8$ and the following holds:

- ▶ If $d(X) = 1$, then $X \simeq X_6 \subset \mathbb{P}(1^n, 2, 3)$.
- ▶ If $d(X) = 2$, then $X \simeq X_4 \subset \mathbb{P}(1^{n+1}, 2)$.
- ▶ If $d(X) = 3$, then $X \simeq X_3 \subset \mathbb{P}^{n+1}$.
- ▶ If $d(X) = 4$, then $X \simeq X_{2,2} \subset \mathbb{P}^{n+2}$.
- ▶ If $d(X) = 5$, then $X \simeq \text{Gr}(2, 5) \cap \mathbb{P}^{n+3} \subset \mathbb{P}^9$.
- ▶ If $d(X) = 6$, then $X \simeq (\mathbb{P}^2 \times \mathbb{P}^2) \cap \mathbb{P}^{n+4} \subset \mathbb{P}^8$ or $\mathbb{P}^1 \times \mathbb{P}^1 \times \mathbb{P}^1$.
- ▶ If $d(X) = 7$, then $X \simeq \text{Bl}_P(\mathbb{P}^3)$.
- ▶ If $d(X) \geq 8$, then $X \simeq \mathbb{P}^3$.

Birational geometry

Definition

X is an *almost del Pezzo variety* if X is terminal Gorenstein and $-K_X = (n - 1)A$, where $n := \dim(X)$ and A is a nef and big line bundle and the morphism $\Phi_{|mA|}$ given by $|mA|$ for $m \gg 0$ does not contract divisors.

A (small) \mathbb{Q} -factorialization of a variety X is a projective birational morphism $\xi : \hat{X} \rightarrow X$ such that \hat{X} is \mathbb{Q} -factorial and ξ does not contract divisors. If X has only klt (in particular, terminal) singularities, then a \mathbb{Q} -factorialization exists (but it is not unique!)

A *crepant model* of X is an almost del Pezzo variety X' such that

$$X' \stackrel{\text{pseu}}{\sim} X.$$

Proposition

If X is a del Pezzo variety, then its \mathbb{Q} -factorialization \hat{X} is an almost del Pezzo variety.

Conversely, if X is an almost del Pezzo variety, then its anticanonical model $\Phi_{|mA|}(X)$, $m \gg 0$ is a del Pezzo variety.

Birational geometry: MMP on del Pezzos

Proposition

Let (X, A) be a \mathbb{Q} -factorial almost del Pezzo variety with $n := \dim X$ and let $f : X \rightarrow Z$ be a Mori contraction. Then one of the following holds:

- ▶ Z is a \mathbb{Q} -factorial almost del Pezzo variety and f is the blowup of a smooth point $P \in Z$;
- ▶ Z is a smooth del Pezzo surface and f is a \mathbb{P}^{n-2} -bundle;
- ▶ $Z \simeq \mathbb{P}^1$ and f is a quadric bundle,
- ▶ Z is a point and $r(X) = 1$.

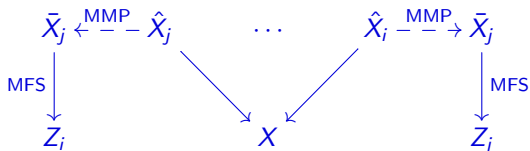
Corollary

In the category \mathbb{Q} -factorial almost del Pezzo varieties we can run the D -MMP with respect to any divisor D .

Any step of this MMP is either a flop or inverse to the blowup of a smooth point.

Birational geometry: MMP on del Pezzos

Let X be a del Pezzo variety and $\hat{X}_1, \dots, \hat{X}_N \rightarrow X$ be its \mathbb{Q} -factorializations (finite number).



Definition

An (almost) del Pezzo variety X is called *imprimitive* if it has a \mathbb{Q} -factorialization admitting a birational Mori contraction. Otherwise X is called *primitive*.

Example

- Any del Pezzo variety with $r(X) = 1$ is primitive.
- $\mathbb{P}^1 \times \mathbb{P}^1 \times \mathbb{P}^1$, $\mathbb{P}^2 \times \mathbb{P}^2$ are primitive del Pezzo.
- Let $\hat{X} \rightarrow \mathbb{P}^3$ be the blowup of $n \leq 7$ points in general position. Then the anticanonical model of \hat{X} is an imprimitive del Pezzo with $d(X) = 9 - n$.

Hyperplane sections of del Pezzo varieties

If X is a del Pezzo variety of dimension $n \geq 4$ and $Y \subset X$ is a general divisor from $|A|$ then Y is a del Pezzo variety and the restriction map

$$\mathrm{Cl}(X) \rightarrow \mathrm{Cl}(Y)$$

an isomorphism of lattices (preserving the form $\langle -, - \rangle$ and A).

Definition

We say that X is *maximal* if it cannot be realized as a member of $|A_V|$ of a non-conical del Pezzo variety (V, A_V) with $\dim V = \dim X + 1$.

Example

- ▶ \mathbb{P}^3 , $\mathrm{Gr}(2, 5)$ are maximal del Pezzos;
- ▶ $X_3 \subset \mathbb{P}^{n+1}$, $X_{2,2} \subset \mathbb{P}^{n+2}$ are not maximal.

A del Pezzo variety X is of *unbounded type*, if there is an infinite series of (non-conical) del Pezzo varieties

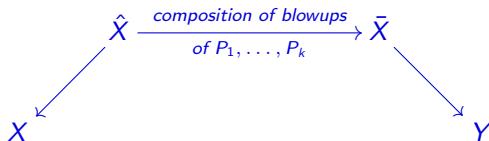
$$X = X^n \subset X^{n+1} \subset \dots$$

where X^k is a hyperplane section of X^{k+1} . Otherwise we say X is of *bounded type*.

Imprimitive del Pezzo varieties

Theorem

Let X be an imprimitive del Pezzo variety. Then there exists, a \mathbb{Q} -factorialization $\hat{X} \rightarrow X$, a primitive del Pezzo variety Y , and a collection $P_1, \dots, P_k \in Y$ of distinct smooth points suits to the following diagram



where $\bar{X} \rightarrow Y$ is the anticanonical model.

Moreover, $d(X) = d(Y) - k$ and $r(X) = r(Y) + k$.

Lattices

Let (X, A) be a del Pezzo variety.

Definition

We say that an element $x \in \text{Cl}(X)$ is

- ▶ *exceptional*, if $\langle A, x \rangle = 1$, $\langle x, x \rangle = -1$;
- ▶ *of \mathbb{P}^1 -type*, if $\langle A, x \rangle = 2$, $\langle x, x \rangle = 0$;
- ▶ *of \mathbb{P}^2 -type*, if $\langle A, x \rangle = 3$, $\langle x, x \rangle = 1$.

Proposition

Let $E \in \text{Cl}(X)$ be an exceptional class. Then there exists a \mathbb{Q} -factorialization $\xi : \hat{X} \rightarrow X$ and a birational Mori contraction $f : \hat{X} \rightarrow \bar{X}$ whose exceptional divisor is the proper transform $\hat{E} \subset \hat{X}$ of E .

Proposition

Let $D \in \text{Cl}(X)$ be a \mathbb{P}^1 -class (resp. \mathbb{P}^2 -class). Then there exists a \mathbb{Q} -factorialization $\xi : \hat{X} \rightarrow X$ such that the proper transform D' is nef and the linear system $|D'|$ defines a contraction $X \rightarrow \mathbb{P}^1$ (resp. $X \rightarrow \mathbb{P}^2$).

Effective cone

Let X be a weak del Pezzo variety with $r(X) > 1$.

- ▶ Any exceptional class generates an extremal ray of $\text{Eff}(X)$.
- ▶ Any \mathbb{P}^1 - and \mathbb{P}^2 -class D lies in the boundary of $\text{Eff}(X)$.

Proposition

The effective cone $\text{Eff}(X) \subset \text{Cl}(X)_{\mathbb{R}}$ is polyhedral and generated by a finite number of extremal rays. Each extremal ray is generated by an exceptional, \mathbb{P}^1 -, or \mathbb{P}^2 -class.

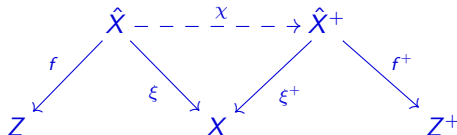
Proposition

The moving cone $\text{Mov}(X) \subset \text{Cl}(X)_{\mathbb{R}}$ is polyhedral and generated by a finite number of extremal rays. Each extremal ray is generated by a \mathbb{P}^1 -, \mathbb{P}^2 -class, or a big class D such that the linear system $|nD|$, $n \gg 0$ defines a birational map to a del Pezzo variety X' with $r(X') = 1$.

Primitive del Pezzos with $r(X) = 2$

Proposition

Let X be a primitive del Pezzo variety with $n := \dim X$ and $r(X) = 2$. Then there exists the following diagram:



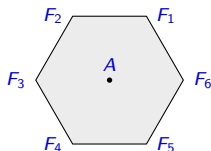
where ξ and ξ^+ are \mathbb{Q} -factorializations and f and f^+ are Mori contractions. There are the following possibilities.

f	f^+	$d(X)$
\mathbb{P}^{n-2} -bundle over \mathbb{P}^2	\mathbb{P}^{n-2} -bundle over \mathbb{P}^2	1,2,3,6
\mathbb{P}^{n-2} -bundle over \mathbb{P}^2	quadric bundle over \mathbb{P}^1	5
quadric bundle over \mathbb{P}^1	quadric bundle over \mathbb{P}^1	1,2,4

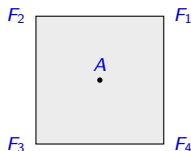
Primitive del Pezzo varieties with $r(X) = 3$

Proposition

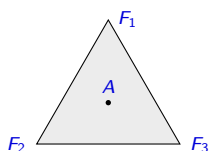
Let X be a primitive del Pezzo variety with $n := \dim X$ and $r(X) \geq 3$. Then $r(X) = 3$, any \mathbb{Q} -factorialization \hat{X} of X is a \mathbb{P}^{n-2} -bundle over $\mathbb{P}^1 \times \mathbb{P}^1$ and $d := d(X) \in \{2, 4, 6\}$. A transversal section of the cone $\text{Eff}(X)$ of effective divisors has the form



$$d(X) = 2$$



$$d(X) = 4$$



$$d(X) = 6$$

where F_i are \mathbb{P}^1 -classes.

Corollary

Let X be an (almost) del Pezzo variety. Then $d(X) + r(X) \leq 9$.

Primitive del Pezzo varieties

Proposition

Let X be a primitive del Pezzo variety with $r(X) \geq 2$ and let \hat{X} be its \mathbb{Q} -factorialization.

- ▶ If \hat{X} has a structure of \mathbb{P}^{n-2} -bundle over \mathbb{P}^2 or $\mathbb{P}^1 \times \mathbb{P}^1$, then X is of bounded type.
- ▶ If \hat{X} has a structure of quadric bundle over \mathbb{P}^1 and $d \neq 5$, then X is of unbounded type.
- ▶ If \hat{X} has a structure of quadric bundle over \mathbb{P}^1 and $d = 5$, then another \mathbb{Q} -factorialization \hat{X}' has a structure of \mathbb{P}^{n-2} -bundle and X is of bounded type.

Del Pezzo varieties of unbounded type satisfy the inequalities

$$d(X) + r(X) \leq 6, \quad d(X) \leq 5.$$

Primitive del Pezzo varieties of the form $\mathbb{P}_{\mathbb{P}^2}(\mathcal{E})$

Proposition

Let $\mathcal{E}_{\mathbb{P}^2, k}$ be a maximal primitive del Pezzo bundle on \mathbb{P}^2 with $c_2(\mathcal{E}) = k$, $c_1(\mathcal{E}) = K_{\mathbb{P}^2}$ and we write $d = d(\mathbb{P}_{\mathbb{P}^2}(\mathcal{E}_{\mathbb{P}^2, k})) = 9 - k$. Then

- ▶ if $d = 6$ then $\mathcal{E}_{\mathbb{P}^2, 3} \simeq \mathcal{O}(-1)^{\oplus 3}$;
- ▶ if $d = 5$ then $\mathcal{E}_{\mathbb{P}^2, 4} \simeq \mathcal{O}(-1)^{\oplus 2} \oplus \Omega(1)$;
- ▶ if $d = 3$ then $\mathcal{E}_{\mathbb{P}^2, 6} \simeq \Omega(1)^{\oplus 3}$;
- ▶ if $d = 2$ there is an exact sequence
$$0 \rightarrow \mathcal{E}_{\mathbb{P}^2, 7} \rightarrow \mathcal{O}^{\oplus 9} \rightarrow \mathcal{O}(1) \oplus \mathcal{O}(2) \rightarrow 0;$$
- ▶ if $d = 1$ there is an exact sequence
$$0 \rightarrow \mathcal{E}_{\mathbb{P}^2, 8} \rightarrow \mathcal{O}^{\oplus 9} \rightarrow \mathcal{O}(3) \rightarrow \mathcal{O}_p \rightarrow 0,$$
 where $p \in \mathbb{P}^2$ is a point.

Primitive del Pezzos of the form $\mathbb{P}_{\mathbb{P}^1 \times \mathbb{P}^1}(\mathcal{E})$

Proposition

Let $\mathcal{E}_{\mathbb{P}^1 \times \mathbb{P}^1, k}$ be a maximal primitive del Pezzo bundle on $\mathbb{P}^1 \times \mathbb{P}^1$ with $c_2(\mathcal{E}) = k$, $c_1(\mathcal{E}) = K_{\mathbb{P}^1 \times \mathbb{P}^1}$ and we write $d = d(\mathbb{P}_{\mathbb{P}^1 \times \mathbb{P}^1}(\mathcal{E}_{\mathbb{P}^1 \times \mathbb{P}^1, k})) = 8 - k$. Then

- ▶ if $d = 6$ then $\mathcal{E}_{\mathbb{P}^1 \times \mathbb{P}^1, 2} \simeq \mathcal{O}(-1, -1)^{\oplus 2}$;
- ▶ if $d = 4$ then $\mathcal{E}_{\mathbb{P}^1 \times \mathbb{P}^1, 4} \simeq \mathcal{O}(-1, 0)^{\oplus 2} \oplus \mathcal{O}(0, -1)^{\oplus 2}$;
- ▶ if $d = 2$ then $\mathcal{E}_{\mathbb{P}^1 \times \mathbb{P}^1, 6} \simeq \Omega_{\mathbb{P}^3}(1)|_{\mathbb{P}^1 \times \mathbb{P}^1}^{\oplus 2}$;

Primitive del Pezzos: quadric bundles

Proposition

Let X be a primitive \mathbb{Q} -factorial almost del Pezzo variety with $d(X) = d$ and $r(X) = 2$ having quadric bundle structure $X \rightarrow \mathbb{P}^1$. Then

$X \subset \mathbb{P}_{\mathbb{P}^1}(\oplus \mathcal{O}(-a_i))$ is a divisor of type $2A - kF$, where

- ▶ if $d = 5$ then $\dim(X) \leq 5$, $a = (0, \dots, 0, 1, 1, 1)$, $k = 1$;
- ▶ if $d = 4$ then $a = (0, 0, \dots, 0, 1, 1)$, $k = 0$, and X is a complete intersection in $\mathbb{P}^1 \times \mathbb{P}^{n+2}$ of three divisors of types $(1, 1)$, $(1, 1)$, and $(0, 2)$.
- ▶ if $d = 2$ then $a = (0, 0, \dots, 0, 0, 0)$, $k = -2$, and X is a divisor in $\mathbb{P}^1 \times \mathbb{P}^n$ of type $(2, 2)$;
- ▶ if $d = 1$ then $a = (0, 0, \dots, 0, 0, -1)$, $k = -3$, and X is a complete intersection in $\mathbb{P}^1 \times \mathbb{P}^{2n}$ of n divisors of type $(1, 1)$ and one divisor of type $(1, 2)$.

Case $d(X) + r(X) = 9$

The varieties obtained by blowups of \mathbb{P}^3 are quite classical. Remind that distinct points P_1, \dots, P_k are in general position if

- ▶ no plane that contains 4 points,
- ▶ no quadric is singular at one point and contains 6 others.

The curves contracted by the anticanonical morphism are

- ▶ proper transforms of lines through pairs of points;
- ▶ proper transforms of twisted cubic curves through sextuples of points.

For $k \geq 2$ the corresponding del Pezzo varieties are

- ▶ $d = 6$: 1-nodal hyperplane section of $\mathbb{P}^2 \times \mathbb{P}^2$;
- ▶ $d = 5$: 3-nodal linear section of $\text{Gr}(2, 5)$ of codimension 3;
- ▶ $d = 4$: 6-nodal intersection of two quadrics $\{x_1x_2 = x_3x_4 = x_5x_6\} \subset \mathbb{P}^5$;
- ▶ $d = 3$: 10-nodal Segre cubic $\{x_1 + \dots + x_6 = x_1^3 + \dots + x_6^3 = 0\} \subset \mathbb{P}^5$;
- ▶ $d = 2$: 16-nodal quartic double solids ramified over Kummer quartic surfaces;
- ▶ $d = 1$: 28-nodal double Veronese cones.

Lattices

An element $\alpha \in \text{Cl}(X)$ is a *root* if

$$\langle A, \alpha \rangle = 0, \quad \langle \alpha, \alpha \rangle = -2.$$

The set

$$\Delta := \{\alpha \in A^\perp \mid \langle \alpha, \alpha \rangle = -2\}$$

of roots in A^\perp forms a root system.

Example

Case $d(X) + r(X) = 9$.

d	1	2	3	4	5	6	6'
Δ	E_7	D_6	A_5	$A_1 \times A_3$	A_2	A_1	A_2

Case $d(X) + r(X) = 8$.

d	1	2	3	4	5	6
Δ	E_6	A_5	$2A_2$	$2A_1$	A_1	A_1

Geography

Theorem

Let X be a del Pezzo variety of dimension $n \geq 3$. Let $i: S \hookrightarrow X$ be a general surface linear section of X . The restriction map

$$\mathrm{Cl}(X) \xrightarrow{i^*} \mathrm{Cl}(S)$$

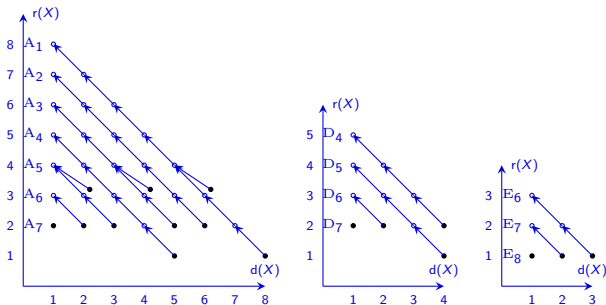
is a linear isomorphism $\mathrm{Cl}(X) \cong \Xi(X)^\perp$ onto the orthogonal complement of a negative definite sublattice $\Xi(X) \subset K_S^\perp \subset \mathrm{Cl}(S)$ of rank $m = 10 - d(X) - r(X)$ which has Dynkin type

- ▶ A_m , $1 \leq m \leq 7$, or
- ▶ D_m , $4 \leq m \leq 7$, or
- ▶ E_m , $6 \leq m \leq 8$.

In the case A_m we have $\dim X \leq 12 - d(X) - r(X)$, types D_m and E_m are unbounded.

Geography

The three “maps” of this “atlas” correspond to varieties of types [A](#), [D](#), and [E](#), respectively. Black dots stand for primitive varieties and white dots for imprimitive varieties, and the arrows correspond to the operation of blowup of a general point (which decreases $d(X)$ by 1 and increases $r(X)$ by 1, keeping their sum constant), followed by passing to the anticanonical model.



Classification

Theorem

Let X be a del Pezzo variety of dimension $n \geq 3$.

- $\Xi(X)$ has type $A_m \iff X \cong \mathbb{P}^3$, or $X \cong \text{Gr}(2, 5) \cap \mathbb{P}^{n+3}$, or

$$X \overset{\text{pseudo}}{\leftarrow} \rightsquigarrow \mathbb{P}_Z(\mathcal{E}),$$

- $\Xi(X)$ has type $D_m \iff X = X_{2,2} \subset \mathbb{P}^{n+2}$ with $r(X) = 1$, or

$$X \overset{\text{pseudo}}{\leftarrow} \rightsquigarrow \text{Bl}_{P_1, \dots, P_{r-2}}(X_0) .$$

where X_0 is an almost del Pezzo variety with $r(X_0) = 2$ having quadric bundle structure.

- $\Xi(X)$ has type $E_m \iff$

$$X \overset{\text{pseudo}}{\leftarrow} \rightsquigarrow \text{Bl}_{P_1, \dots, P_{r-1}}(X_0)$$

where X_0 is a del Pezzo variety with $r(X_0) = 1$ and $d(X_0) \leq 3$.

Double Veronese cones

Theorem

There is a bijection between the sets of isomorphism classes of

- ▶ *maximal del Pezzo varieties X of dimension $n \neq 9$ with $d(X) = 1$, and*
- ▶ *smooth del Pezzo surfaces S of degree $n - 1$,*

defined by the rules

$$X \longmapsto \Delta(X)^\vee \quad \text{and} \quad S \longmapsto X_{S,L}.$$

In particular, $X_{S,L} \simeq X_{S,L'}$ for any pair of lines $L, L' \subset S$. Moreover, there is a pseudoisomorphism $\mathrm{Bl}_P(X) \stackrel{\mathrm{pseu}}{\sim} H(S)$ over $\mathbb{P}(W^\vee)$.