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# Noetherian properties in Top. Theory

## Example 1:

$X$  "nice" manifold of  $\dim \leq 2$   
eg cpt, conn., orientable

For  $n \geq 0$  let  $PConf_n X = \{(x_1, \dots, x_n) \in X^n \mid x_i \neq x_j \ (i \neq j)\}$

## Theorem (Church, CEFN, Nagpal)

fix field  $\mathbb{F}$

1)  $\forall i \geq 0$  the function  $n \rightarrow \dim_{\mathbb{F}} H^i(PConf_n X, \mathbb{F})$   
is a polynomial (et for  $n \gg 0$ )

2) If  $\text{char } \mathbb{F} = 0$   $n \rightarrow \dim_{\mathbb{F}} H^i(PConf_n X / S_n, \mathbb{F})$   
is eventually constant.

3) If  $\text{char } \mathbb{F} > 0$   $n \rightarrow \dim_{\mathbb{F}} H^i(PConf_n X / S_n, \mathbb{F})$   
is eventually periodic.

## Example 2

$X$  proj var.  $\leq \mathbb{P}^n$ , over field of char 0.

two constructions

1)  $d$ th Veronese embedding

$$X \hookrightarrow \mathbb{P}^n \xrightarrow{\sigma_d} \mathbb{P}^N$$

$(x_1, \dots, x_n) \mapsto [\text{all monom of deg } d]$

2) Given  $X, Y \subseteq \mathbb{P}^n$ ,  $\text{Join}(X, Y) = \{x+y \mid x \in X, y \in Y\}$

secant varieties:  $\text{Sec}^1 X = X$

$$\text{Sec}^r X = \text{Join}(X, \text{Sec}^{r-1} X)$$

"Meta-Theorem": algebraic properties of varieties "improve" as you Veronese re-embed them. ( $\rightsquigarrow V_d(X)$ )

Theorem (Sam)

Fix  $X$ ,  $r > 0$  there exists constant  $C_X(r)$

s.t. the ideal defining  $\text{Sec}^r(V_d(X))$

is generated in degrees  $\leq C_X(r)$

(main pt: indep. of  $d$ )

Inspiration: prev. work with Dreisama-Kuttler on secant varieties of Segre-embed.

Common features:

Possible framework: twisted commut alge.

$\rightsquigarrow$  leads

Def: let  $A = \bigoplus_{n \geq 0} A_n$  An graded assoc. unital alge.

s.t. each  $A_n$  has an action of  $S_n$  sym.

grp.

and  $\mu: A_n \otimes A_m \rightarrow A_{n+m}$  mult. is  
 equivariant for  $S_n \times S_m \subset S_{n+m}$

and  $\tau_{n,m}(xy) = yx$  for  $x \in A_n, y \in A_m$

where  $\tau_{n,m} \in S_{n+m}$  is

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & \dots & n & n+1 & n+2 & \dots & n+m \\ n+1 & n+2 & \dots & n+m & 1 & 2 & \dots & n \end{pmatrix}$$

Example  $k$  field  $E \cong k^d$

$A_n = E^{\otimes n}$  action of  $S_n$  perm tensor factors

$\mu$  is concatenation of tensors. (usually)

$\rightsquigarrow$  twisted comult

denote by  $\text{Sym}(E \langle 1 \rangle)$

( $1^k$  gen. in deg  $1^k$ )

Modules:  $M = \bigoplus_{n \geq 0} M_n, S_n \curvearrowright M_n$

ass.  $\mu: A_n \otimes M_m \rightarrow M_{n+m}$  is  $S_n \times S_m$  equiv.

Def:  $M$  is fin. gen. if  $\exists x_1, \dots, x_r$  gen.  $M$  using  $A$ -module str.,  $S_n$ -actions.

Models for module cats:

def cat.  $\text{FI}_d$ : obj fin. sets  
 morph  $S \rightarrow T$  consists of

1) injection  $f: S \hookrightarrow T$

2) "coloring"  $g: T \setminus f(S) \rightarrow \{1, \dots, d\}$

Cat. of  $\text{Sym}(E\langle 1 \rangle)$ -modules is equiv. to cat. of functors  $\text{FI}_d \rightarrow k\text{-mod}$ .

Theorem (CEFNS Snowden, SS)

$k$  noeth.

1) Submodules of fin gen.  $\text{FI}_d$ -modules are again f.g.  
(ie  $\text{FI}_d$ -modules are "locally noeth.")

2)  $k$  field,  $M$  f.g.  $\text{FI}_1$ -module then the function  $n \rightarrow \dim_k M(\{1, \dots, n\})$  is eventually polynomial.

Back to Example 1:

$X$  top. space,  $S$  fin set

$\text{Pconf}_n X =$  space of injections  $S \hookrightarrow X$

gives contrav. functor  $\text{FI}_1 \rightarrow \text{Top}$

$\leadsto$  for each  $i$  get  $\text{FI}_1$ -module

$$S \rightarrow H^i(\text{Pconf}_S(X); k).$$

Example 2: more involved, uses cat. containing

$\text{FI}_d$  for  $\infty$ -many  $d$ .

$\hookrightarrow$  extends to more gen. commut. rings

$\hookrightarrow$  get results on sizes

Some open things:

Define  $A_n = \langle \text{set of perfect matchings of } \{1, \dots, n\} \rangle_k$

$\cup$

$S_n$  can mult. by concatenating matchings  
(tca gen. in deg 2)

Thm (Nagpal-Snowden)

$A$ -modules are locally Noeth. if  $\mathbb{Q} \subset k$ .

Question: Is this true more generally?

Even  $k = \mathbb{F}_p$ ?