

Main theorem (Chow Moving Lemma).

Let k be an (algebraically closed) field.

V : smooth irreducible subvariety in \mathbb{P}_k^n
(not need projective)

Let Y, Z be 2 cycles on V , then

$\exists Z' \underset{\text{rat}}{\sim} Z$ s.t. (Y, Z') is defined

(i.e. every component $T \subset (\text{Supp } Y \cap \text{Supp } Z')$

has $\text{codim}(T, V) = \text{codim}(Y_i, V) + \text{codim}(Z'_j, V)$)

(Here we allow intersection multiplicity > 1).

Moreover, Z' can be chosen from a cycle

W on $V \times \mathbb{P}^1$, and deform Z to Z' on W ,

in fact, for almost all $Z_x := \{(v, x) \in W \subset V \times \mathbb{P}^1\}$,
 (Y, Z_x) is defined.

Definition: Let $Z \subset \mathbb{P}^n$ be a closed subvar,

L : linear subspace of \mathbb{P}^n s.t. $L \cap Z = \emptyset$.

Define $C_L(Z) := \{\overline{zx} \mid z \in Z, x \in L\}$,

then (cf Hartshorne Ex I.7.7)

$C_L(Z)$ is a closed subvariety of \mathbb{P}^n

with dimension $(\dim L + \dim Z + 1)$.

(Note that $L \cap Z = \emptyset$ implies $\dim L + \dim Z < n$)

(Algebraic defn: $C_L(Z) = V(I(Z) \cap I(L))$)

Defn: Let $V \subset \mathbb{P}^n$ be a variety of $\dim r$,
 Y_1, \dots, Y_m be subvarieties of V
(not need closed).

$Z \subset V$ be a closed subvar,
We define the excess of Z
relative to Y_1, \dots, Y_m by

$$e(Z) = \begin{cases} \max_i \{ \max_{W \subset Y_i \cap Z} \{ \dim W + r - \dim Y_i - \dim Z \} \}, & Y_i \cap Z \neq \emptyset \\ 0, & Y_i \cap Z = \emptyset, \forall i \end{cases}$$

So we have

$$e(Z) = 0 \iff Y_i \cap Z \text{ properly } \forall i.$$

When $Z = \sum n_j Z_j$ is a cycle, we
define $e(Z) = \max \{ e(Z_j) \}$

Key lemma:

Use the above notation and setting, if we
have the additional conditions:

- ① V is a closed subvariety of \mathbb{P}^n .
- ② $Y_i \subset V$ $\forall i$.

Then let Z be a cycle on V , \exists a dense
open subset $U \subset G(n, n-r-1)$ (Grassmannian)

s.t, $\forall [L] \in U$ closed point,

① $L \cap V = \emptyset$

② $e(C_L(Z) \cdot V - Z) \leq \max(e(Z) - 1, 0)$.

Lemma: Let $Z \subset V \subset \mathbb{P}^n$ closed sub vars, $\dim Z = d$
 $\dim V = r$, let $[L] \in G(n, n-r-1)$
 s.t. $L \cap V = \emptyset$, then
 $C_L(Z) \cdot V$ is defined

Pf: $\dim C_L(Z) = d + (n-r-1) + 1 = n-r+d$,

so $C_L(Z) \cdot V$ is defined

\Leftrightarrow every comp has codim $(r-d) + (n-r) = n-d$

\Leftrightarrow every comp has dimension $= d$.

\geq always hold, for \leq ,

consider the projection from L

$f: V \rightarrow \mathbb{P}^m$ for some m .

We have $f(x) = f(y) \Leftrightarrow \overline{xy} \cap L \neq \emptyset$

So $x \in C_L(Z) \cap V$

$\Leftrightarrow x \in V$ and $\exists y \in L, z \in Z$ s.t. $x \in \overline{yz}$

$\Leftrightarrow \exists z \in Z$ s.t. $f(x) = f(z)$

$\Leftrightarrow x \in f^{-1}f(Z)$

Since f is finite, we conclude
 that $\dim(C_L(Z) \cap V) = \dim Z = d$ \square .

Pf of Chow Moving Lemma (assuming Key lemma)

Fix an immersion $V \hookrightarrow \mathbb{P}^n$, let \bar{V}, \bar{Z} be the closure of V, Z in \mathbb{P}^n

Write $Y = \sum n_i Y_i$, each Y_i are locally closed subvariety of \bar{V} .

Now let $e := e(\bar{Z})$, then by the key lemma, $\exists (n-r-1)$ dim'l subspaces

L_1, \dots, L_e s.t, if we define

$X_0 = \bar{Z}$, and $X_i = C_{L_i}(X_{i-1}) \cdot \bar{V} - X_{i-1}$,

then $e(X_i) \leq e(X_{i-1})$, and " $=$ " iff $e(X_{i-1}) = 0$.

In particular, $e(X_e) = 0$ i.e. $X_e \cap Y_i$ properly.

Note that we have $X_0 = \left(\sum_{i=1}^e (-1)^{i-1} C_{L_i}(X_{i-1}) \cdot \bar{V} \right) + (-1)^e X_e$

(since $C_{L_i}(X_{i-1}) \cdot \bar{V} = X_{i-1} + X_i$).

Fact: $\exists g \in \text{Aut}(\mathbb{P}^n)$ s.t,

$\begin{cases} (g \cdot C_{L_i}(X_{i-1})) \cdot \bar{V} \\ (g \cdot C_{L_i}(Y_{i-1})) \cdot Y_j \end{cases}$ are defined.

i.e. $\text{ht}(I(g \cdot C_{L_i}(X_{i-1})) + I(Y_j)) = \text{ht}(I(g \cdot C_{L_i})) + \text{ht}(I(Y_j))$

LHS = $\text{ht}(g \cdot I(C_{L_i}(X_{i-1})) + I(Y_j))$, RHS = $\text{ht}(I(C_{L_i}(X_{i-1}))) + \text{ht}(I(Y_j))$

So for general g , $g \cdot I(C_{L_i}(X_{i-1})) \cap I(Y_j) = 0$, thus equality holds.

Now Let Γ be a rational curve in $\text{Aut}(\mathbb{P}^n)$, connecting 1 and g , then we have a cycle

$$W := \{(v, x) \in V \times \mathbb{P}^1 \mid v \in (g_x \cdot \bigcup \text{supp}(C_i(x_{i-1})) \cdot V)\}$$

(Where $g_i = \text{id}$)

then we deform Z to $Z' := \sum_{i=1}^r g(C_i(x_{i-1})) \cdot V + H^0 \mathcal{O}_Z$. \square

To prove key lemma, first we introduce some definition:

Let $G(n, r)$ be the Grassmannian of r dim'd subspace of \mathbb{P}^n .

Consider $Z \subset V \subset \mathbb{P}^n$ closed subvars. $\dim V = r$.
 Δ : diagonal of $V \times V$.

$$\Sigma_0 := \{(z, x, y) \in (Z \times V - \Delta) \times \mathbb{P}^n \mid z, x, y \text{ colinear in } \mathbb{P}^n\}$$

$$\Sigma := \overline{\Sigma_0}$$

Fact: if $(z, z, y) \in \Sigma$, then $y \in T_z V$.

$$\text{Let } J := \{(x, L) \in \mathbb{P}^n \times G(n, n-r-1) \mid x \in L\}$$

Then in $Z \times V \times \mathbb{P}^n \times G(n, n-r-1)$, we have the closed subset $T := (\Sigma \times G(n, n-r-1)) \cap (Z \times V \times J)$ and define $W = \text{Pr}_4(T) \subset Z \times V \times G(n, n-r-1)$.
Called the secant correspondence.

Thus, for $x \neq z$, $(z, x, L) \in W \Leftrightarrow L \cap \overline{zx} \neq \emptyset$,
if $(z, z, L) \in W \Rightarrow T_z V \cap L \neq \emptyset$. \star

Now let $q_{12}: W \rightarrow Z \times V$ be the projection.

For $x \neq z$, $q_{12}^{-1}(z, x) \cong \{L \in G(n, n-r-1) \mid L \cap \overline{xz} \neq \emptyset\}$

Fact about Grassmannian:

Let $0 \leq q \leq n$, $s \leq n-q$, Δ be a s dim- ℓ subsp of \mathbb{P}^n , then

$\{L \in G(n, q) \mid \Delta \cap L \neq \emptyset\}$

is a closed subvar of $G(n, q)$

with codimension $n-q-s$ in $G(n, q)$.

Thus, $q_{12}^{-1}(z, x)$ has codimension r in $G(n, n-r-1)$,

hence, $\dim(V \cap ((Z \times Y - \Delta) \times G(n, n-r-1)))$

has dimension $\dim Y + \dim Z + \dim G(n, n-r-1) - r$,

Hence for general L , $\dim((Z \times Y - \Delta) \times [L] \cap W) = \dim Y + \dim Z - r$

Lemma: by the semi-continuity thm. (*)

Let $Z \subset V \subset \mathbb{P}^n$ closed subvar, $[L] \in G(n, n-r-1)$

$x \in \text{Supp}(C_L(Z) \cdot V - Z)$, then one of the

following holds:

① \exists closed pt $z \in Z$, $z \neq x$ s.t, $\overline{xz} \cap L \neq \emptyset$

② $x \in \text{Supp } Z \cap T(L)$

Where $T(L) = \{x \in V \mid L \cap T_x(V) \neq \emptyset\}$

By dimension counting, $T(L) \supset \text{Sing}(V)$.

pf of Key Lemma (assuming the above lemma)

By the above fact of Grassmannian \mathbb{Q} is OK.

For ②, we may assume Z is a closed subvar and $m=1$ (since we work on infinite field)

Let W as above, then for $[L] \in G(n, n-r-1)$, by the above lemma, if $x \in \text{Supp}(L(Z), V-Z)$, then either $\mathbb{Q} \times x \in Z$ and $L \cap T_x V \neq \emptyset$, $\exists Z \ni x$ s.t. $(Z, x, L) \in W$.

What we need to show is: if $\dim(Z \cap Y) > \dim Z + \dim Y - r$ then $\dim(\text{Supp}(L(Z), V-Z) \cap Y) < \dim(Z \cap Y)$ for general L . Let $X \in LHS \subset Y$

By (*), for general L , the set of points $x \in Y$ satisfies \mathbb{Q} has dimension exactly $\dim Z + \dim Y + r$. So we remain to deal with points satisfies \mathbb{Q} .

Now if $x \in Y$ and x satisfies \mathbb{Q} , then $x \in Y \cap Z$.

But by the general fact about Grassmannian, $\{L \in G(n, n-r-1) \mid L \cap T_x V \neq \emptyset\}$ has codimension $n - (n-r-1) - \dim T_x V = r+1 - r = 1$

(since $x \in Y \subset V, m$).

So for general L , x not satisfies \mathbb{Q}
 \Rightarrow for general L , $\{x \in Y \cap Z \mid x \text{ satisfies } \mathbb{Q}\}$ is a proper closed subset of $Y \cap Z \Rightarrow$ done \square

Pf of Lemma!

$$\text{Let } j: Z \times V \hookrightarrow Z \times V \times \mathbb{G}(n, n-r-1)$$

$$(z, x) \mapsto (z, x, L)$$

Let $E := j^{-1}(W) = \{(z, x) \mid (z, x, L) \in W\}$
 $H := p_2(E) = \{x \in V \mid \exists z \in Z \text{ s.t. } (z, x, L) \in W\}$
 \Rightarrow by \star , $\forall x \in H$, $\textcircled{1}$ or $\textcircled{2}$ holds.

Now let $x \in Z' - Z$, where Z' is a component of $C_L(Z) \cdot V$ other than Z , then by defn of $C_L(Z)$, $\exists z \in Z$ s.t. $\overline{xz} \cap L \neq \emptyset \Rightarrow$ by \star , $x \in H$
 $\Rightarrow Z' \subset H$, so $H \supset \text{Supp}(C_L(Z) \cdot V) - \text{Supp}(Z)$
 $\Rightarrow \forall x \in \text{RHS}$, x satisfies $\textcircled{1}$ or $\textcircled{2}$.
 So if $\text{Supp}(C_L(Z) \cdot V - Z) \not\subset Z$ i.e. $\text{mult}_Z(C_L(Z) \cdot V) = 1$, then we are done.

If not in the case, but $Z \subset H$ is also OK.
 So it remain to deal with $x \in Z - H$.

In the case we have $(z, x, L) \notin W \forall z \in Z$.

Now if $x \notin P(L)$, then $T_x V \cap L = \emptyset \Rightarrow x \in V_{sm}$.

Since now $H \cap Z$ proper closed in Z , for general $z \in V_{sm} \cap Z_{sm}$, $z \notin P(L)$.

$$\Rightarrow z \in C_L(z)_{sm} \quad \begin{matrix} n-r+d & r \end{matrix}$$

Now we have $\dim(T_z C_L(z) \cap T_z V) \geq \dim C_L(z) + \dim V - n = d$.

And since $\text{mult}_z(C_L(z) \cdot V) \geq 2$, the strict inequality holds.

Since $L \cap T_z V = \emptyset$, we have $T_z C_L(z) \not\subset L$ by dimension counting. But since $\text{mult}_z(C_L(z) \cdot V) \geq 2$, we have

$$T_z C_L(z) \supset L \quad \star \quad \square$$