

Singularity of Rees-like algebras

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EG conjecture ('84): $\text{reg}(A/P) \leq e(A/P) - \text{ht}(P) + 1$

$A = k[x] \supseteq P$ prime, homog, non-degenerate $\leftarrow P \neq (x)^2$

$$\text{reg}(A/P) = \max \{ a_i(A/P) + i \}$$

$$\text{where } a_i = \min \{ H_{(x)}^i(A/P) \}$$

Thm (McGullough-Rees '87)

$$\nexists \text{ poly } f(z) \text{ s.t. } \text{reg}(A/P) \leq f(e(A/P))$$

Ingredients: ① Rees-like algebras.

$$S = k[x] \supseteq I = (f_1, \dots, f_m)$$

$$RL(I) = S[It, t^2] \cong S[x_1, \dots, x_m, z] / Q =: T/Q$$

② Step-by-step homogenization

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \text{hom, } T & \rightarrow & R \\ \uparrow & & \uparrow \\ \text{nonstd} & & \text{std graded.} \\ \text{graded} & & \end{array}$$

s.t. • $\mathfrak{q} \subset T$ homog ideal $\Leftrightarrow \mathfrak{q}^{\text{hom}} \in \text{Spec}(R)$.

$$\bullet \beta_{i,j}^T(T/Q) = \beta_{i,j}^R(R/Q^{\text{hom}})$$

Idea. Koh (1987) $I_r \subseteq S$ where $I_r = (2r-3 \text{ quadrics})$

$$\text{s.t. } \max \deg \{ \text{syz}(I_r) \} \geq 2^{r-1}$$

$$S[I_r t, t^2] \cong T/Q_r \xrightarrow{\text{hom}} R/Q_r^{\text{hom}}$$

$$\text{reg}(R/Q_r^{\text{hom}}) - e(R/Q_r^{\text{hom}})$$

$$= \text{reg}(T/Q_r) - e(T/Q_r)$$

$$\geq \max \deg(Q_r) - e(T/Q_r)$$

$$\geq 2^{r-1} - 2^{50r}$$

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Q (Kook, Lazarsfeld, Pook)

What can we say about singularities of $S[It, t^2]$?

Rmk: (0) $S[It, t^2]$ is (R.) & (S.)

(1) $S[It, t^2]$ is not normal

(2) $S[It, t^2]$ is CM $\Leftrightarrow I = (f)$

E.g. $I = (f) \subseteq S = K[x]$

$$\Rightarrow \text{RL}(I) \cong K[x, y, z] / (y^2 - f^2 z)$$

E.g. $I = (x_1, x_2) \subseteq S = K[x_1, x_2]$

$$\text{RL}(I) \cong T/Q$$

$$j(T/Q) = \begin{pmatrix} 8 & \text{quadrics} & \text{generators} \\ 37 & \text{cubics} & \dots \\ 9 & \text{quartics} & \dots \end{pmatrix}$$

Thm 1 (M.M.M)

\exists 1-1 correspondence between

$$\text{Min}(f(T/Q)) \leftrightarrow \text{Min}(I)$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{codim}_{T/Q}(\text{Sing}(V(Q))) = \text{ht}(I)$$

Def A s.g. homogenization is $_{}^{\text{hom}}: T \rightarrow R, \mathfrak{q} \subseteq T$ graded.

st. ① $\mathfrak{q}^{\text{hom}}$ is prime $\Leftrightarrow \mathfrak{q}$ is ~~local~~ prime

$$\textcircled{2} \beta_{j,T}(T/\mathfrak{q}) = \beta_{j,T}(T/\mathfrak{q}^{\text{hom}})$$

$$\textcircled{3} \text{codim} \text{Sing}(V(\mathfrak{q})) = \text{codim} \text{Sing}(V(\mathfrak{q}^{\text{hom}})) \quad \forall \mathfrak{q} \in \text{Spec}(T)$$

Thm 2 (M^3)

Fix $T \Rightarrow \exists$ s.g. hom with property: \exists 1-1 correspondence b/w

$$\text{Min}(T/I) \leftrightarrow \text{Min}(f)$$

$$\text{Min}(f(T/I)) \leftrightarrow \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{Min}(f(R/I^{\text{hom}})) \\ \mathfrak{q} \\ \text{ht}(\mathfrak{q}) \leq \dim(T/I) \end{array} \right.$$

idea: • reduce to homog one variable

• lf $\deg(x) = d$

$$x \mapsto x_1^d + \dots + x_N^d \quad \text{where } N > \dim T$$

$$\text{or } x_{11} \dots x_{1d} + \dots + x_{N1} \dots x_{Nd} \quad (\text{in char } p > 0)$$

Ex \nexists smooth counterexample to EG

obtained by homing a RL-alg & go modulo a v.s.

Thm 3 (M^3)

1) Char = 0

RL(I) is semi-normal $\Leftrightarrow I = \sqrt{I}$

Char > 0

RL(I) is weakly normal $\Leftrightarrow I = \sqrt{I}$

2) RL(I) is F-split $\Leftrightarrow S/I$ is F-split