

Resolution and logarithmic resolution by weighted blowing up

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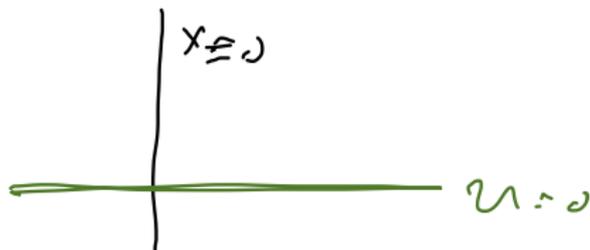
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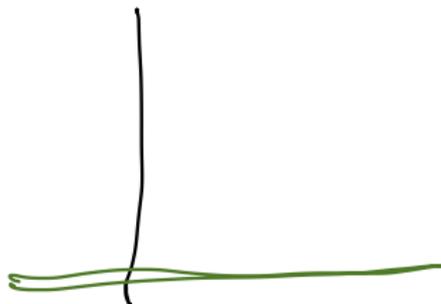
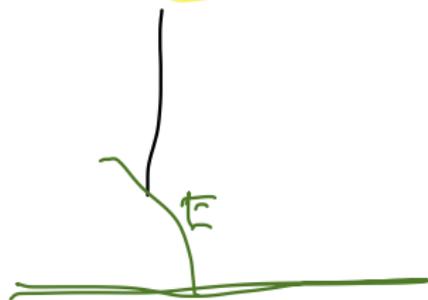
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- Whatever J_0 is, the blowup is a stack.

Example 1/2: charts

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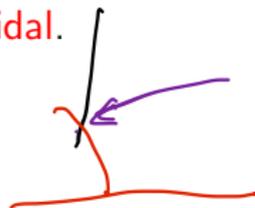
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- The schematic quotient of the above is **not toroidal**.



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Proposition

The order is upper semicontinuous.

Proof.

$$V(\mathcal{D}^{a-1}\mathcal{I}) = \{p : \text{ord}_p(\mathcal{I}) \geq a\}.$$



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(or $\alpha x + \text{h.o.t.}$ in $\mathcal{D}(\mathcal{I})$).

Coefficient ideals (treated following Kollár)

We must restrict to $x_1 = 0$ the data of all

$$\mathcal{I}, \mathcal{D}\mathcal{I}, \dots, \mathcal{D}^{a_1-1}\mathcal{I}$$

with corresponding weights $a_1, a_1 - 1, \dots, 1$.

We combine these in

$$C(\mathcal{I}, a_1) := \sum f(\mathcal{I}, \mathcal{D}\mathcal{I}, \dots, \mathcal{D}^{a_1-1}\mathcal{I}),$$

where f runs over monomials $f = t_0^{b_0} \cdots t_{a_1-1}^{b_{a_1-1}}$ with weights

$$\sum b_i(a_1 - i) \geq a_1!.$$

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Implementation: Jonghyun Lee, Anne Frühbis-Krüger.

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- inv_p takes values in a well-ordered set.

We define $\text{maxinv}(X) = \max_p \text{inv}_p(X)$.

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- **Toric stack:** Consider $\mathrm{Spec} k[x_1, \dots, x_n, T]$ with \mathbb{G}_m action with weights $(w_1, \dots, w_n, -1)$. Let U be the open set where one of the x_i is a unit. Then $Y' = [U/\mathbb{G}_m]$.
It is an example of a *fantastack* [Geraschenko-Satriano], the stack quotient of a Cox construction.

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A center is in particular a valuative \mathbb{Q} -ideal. It is also an **idealistic exponent** or **graded sequence of ideals**.

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This is a consequence of Kollár's \mathcal{D} -balanced property of $C(\mathcal{I}, a_1)$.

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Thank you for your attention