

**On a Torelli principle for automorphisms of many
Klein hypersurfaces
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POLARIZED INTEGRAL HODGE STRUCTURES

A (pure) **polarized Hodge structure** of weight k is a triple

$$(H, \{H^{p,q}\}_{p+q=k}, \langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle)$$

- $H \cong \mathbf{Z}^h$ free module with $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle : H \times H \rightarrow \mathbf{Z}$ bilinear non-degenerate.
- $H^{p,q}$ are \mathbf{C} -subspaces of $H_{\mathbf{C}} := H \otimes_{\mathbf{Z}} \mathbf{C}$ such that

$$\overline{H^{p,q}} = H^{q,p} \text{ and } H_{\mathbf{C}} = \bigoplus_{p+q=k} H^{p,q}$$

- The linear extension of $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle$ to $H_{\mathbf{C}}$ makes the Hodge decomposition orthogonal and $(-1)^p \langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle|_{H^{p,q}}$ is positive definite for $p \geq q$.

Main example: $X \subseteq \mathbf{P}^N$ smooth projective of $\dim_{\mathbf{C}}(X) = n$ and

$$H := \text{Im} \left[\mathbf{H}_{2n-k}(X, \mathbf{Z}) \xrightarrow{f} \mathbf{H}_{\text{dR}}^{2n-k}(X)^* \xrightarrow{\text{PD}^{-1}} \mathbf{H}_{\text{dR}}^k(X) \simeq \mathbf{H}^k(X, \mathbf{C}) \right].$$

Moreover, when k is even we remove the classes arising from hyperplane sections $[X \cap \mathbf{P}^{N-1}]^{n-\frac{k}{2}}$ and we consider $\mathbf{H}^k(X, \mathbf{C})_{\text{prim}}$ instead.

CLASSICAL AND PUNCTUAL TORELLI THEOREM

The **Precise/Strong** Torelli Theorem states that

Torelli Theorem

Let X and Y smooth projective curves of genus g and let

$$f : H_1(X, \mathbf{Z}) \xrightarrow{\sim} H_1(Y, \mathbf{Z})$$

be an isomorphism of polarized Hodge structures. Then

- 1 If X and Y are hyperelliptic, $\exists!$ isomorphism $\varphi : X \xrightarrow{\sim} Y$ s.t. $f = \varphi_*$.
- 2 Otherwise, $\exists!$ isomorphism $\varphi : X \xrightarrow{\sim} Y$ s.t. $f = \pm\varphi_*$.

Torelli Principles: Assume that X and Y belong to the same connected component of a moduli space. We should expect that:

- **Strong Torelli:** Every isomorphism between Hodge structures is induced, possibly up to involutions, by an isomorphism $X \xrightarrow{\sim} Y$.
- **Punctual Torelli:** $\text{Aut}(H)$ coincide (up to involutions) with $\text{Aut}(X)$.

SOME KNOWN CASES & HYPERSURFACES

Known cases for the **Strong Torelli Principle**:

- Curves (Torelli 1913)
- Abelian varieties
- K3 surfaces (Shapiro-Shafarevich '71)
- Cubic threefolds (Clemens-Griffiths '72, Beauville '82)
- Cubic fourfolds (Voisin '86)
- HyperKähler manifolds (Verbitsky '09)

For **generic** hypersurfaces (Donagi '83, Voisin '20) $X, Y \subseteq \mathbf{P}^{n+1}$, we have that $X \cong Y$ iff they have isomorphic Hodge structures (**Global Torelli**).

Non-trivial counter-examples

There are surfaces of general type for which the **Global Torelli fails**:

- (Catanese '80): $p_g(S) = 1$, $q(S) = 0$, $K_S^2 = 1$.
- (Todorov '81): $p_g(S) = 1$, $q(S) = 0$, $2 \leq K_S^2 \leq 8$.

AUTOMORPHISMS OF LARGE PRIME ORDER

Let $X \subseteq \mathbf{P}^{n+1}$ be a smooth hypersurface. By Lefschetz hyperplane section theorem, $H^k(X, \mathbf{C})_{\text{prim}} = 0$ for $k \neq n$. We are left to analyze $H^n(X, \mathbf{C})_{\text{prim}}$.

If $X \subseteq \mathbf{P}^{n+1}$ is generic $\text{Aut}(X) \simeq \{1\}$ (Matsumura-Monsky '64). We should study the Punctual Torelli for **hypersurfaces with many automorphisms**.

Theorem (González–Liendo 2013)

Let $n \geq 3$, $d \geq 3$. Then, a degree d smooth hypersurface $X \subseteq \mathbf{P}^{n+1}$ admits an automorphism of prime order $p > (d-1)^n$ if and only if

$$X \simeq X_K = \{x_0^{d-1}x_1 + x_1^{d-1}x_2 + \dots + x_{n+1}^{d-1}x_0 = 0\} \quad (\text{Klein hypersurface})$$

Moreover, $n+2$ is prime and $p = \frac{(d-1)^{n+2}+1}{d}$ is (a **Wagstaff**) prime.

We say that X is a **Klein hypersurface of Wagstaff type**.

Theorem (González–Liendo–M.–Villaflor, 2023)

The **Punctual Torelli Principle holds** for Klein hypersurfaces of Wagstaff type $X_d \subseteq \mathbf{P}^{n+1}$ in the following cases:

- $d \mid n + 3$.
- $d = 3$ and $n \geq 5$.

Namely, $\text{Aut}(X) \simeq \text{Aut}(H)/\{\pm 1\}$ in these cases.

The proof consists of computing both groups by independent methods:

- 1 The computation of $\text{Aut}(X)$ is based on a refinement of the so-called **Differential Method** by Poonen and Oguiso–Yu (cf. **Alvaro's talk**).
- 2 The computation of $\text{Aut}(H)/\{\pm 1\}$ requires to extend the notion of **extremal ppav** to any polarized integral Hodge structure.

EXTREMAL HODGE STRUCTURES

Let $\sigma \in \text{Aut}(H)$ of order m . Then $\ker(\sigma - \text{Id}_H) \subseteq H$ is a Hodge sub-structure and therefore

$$H_0 := \sum_{i=1}^{m-1} \ker(\sigma^i - \text{Id}_H) \text{ is a Hodge sub-structure.}$$

Thus, σ induces an automorphism of $H' := H/H_0$ such that every power $\sigma_{\mathbb{C}}^i := \sigma^i \otimes \text{Id}_{H_{\mathbb{C}}}$ has no fixed points.

Since the eigenvalues of $\sigma_{\mathbb{C}}|_{H'}$ are primitive m -roots of 1, its characteristic polynomial is $\Phi_m(t)^{\dim(H')/\varphi(m)}$. In particular, $\varphi(m) \mid h - h_0$.

Definition (Extremal polarized Hodge structures)

Let H be a polarized Hodge structure of weight k . We say that H is **extremal** if there is $\sigma \in \text{Aut}(H)$ of prime order p with $\varphi(p) = h - h_0$, i.e.,

$$p = h - h_0 + 1$$

Remark: This extends the notion of **extremal ppav**, where $p = 2g + 1$.

In the extremal case, there is a spectral decomposition

$$H_{\mathbf{C}} = \bigoplus_{i=0}^{p-1} V(\xi_p^i) \text{ compatible with the Hodge decomposition}$$

with $V(1) = H_0$ and each $V(\xi_p^i) \simeq \mathbf{C}$ for $i = 1, \dots, p-1$. Thus,

$$H^{r,s} = \bigoplus_{\text{some } i} V(\xi_p^i).$$

In particular, by considering the eigenvalues of the eigenspaces contained in $(H')^{r,s}$, there is a natural partition of the set

$$\{\xi, \xi^2, \dots, \xi^{p-1}\} = \coprod_{r+s=k} C^{r,s} \text{ such that } \overline{C^{r,s}} = C^{s,r}.$$

Remark: This kind of argument shows that extremal ppav are of CM-type.

Proposition (González–Liendo–M.–Villaflor)

Let $X_d \subseteq \mathbf{P}^{n+1}$ be a Klein hypersurface of Wagstaff type. Then, the primitive cohomology $H^n(X, \mathbf{Z})_{\text{prim}}$ is an extremal Hodge structure.

It follows from the previous discussion and the Griffiths Basis Theorem that

Theorem (González–Liendo–M.–Villaflor)

Assume $(n, d) \neq (3, 3)$ and let $p = \frac{(d-1)^{n+2} + 1}{d}$. For $q \in \{0, 1, \dots, n\}$ consider

$$S_q := \left\{ \sum_{i=0}^{n+1} \beta_i (1-d)^i \in \mathbf{F}_p : 0 \leq \beta_i \leq d-2, \sum_{i=0}^{n+1} \beta_i = d(q+1) - n - 2 \right\}.$$

Then X satisfies the **Punctual Torelli Principle** if and only if

$$\{m \in \mathbf{F}_p^\times : m \cdot S_q = S_q, \forall q = 0, \dots, n\} = \langle 1-d \rangle < \mathbf{F}_p^\times$$

We check this for (n, d) with $d \mid n+3$ and $d=3$ and $n \geq 5$. \square

A MYSTERIOUS ABELIAN VARIETY IN \mathcal{A}_{21}

Deligne (1972), Rapoport (1972): the only smooth hypersurfaces $X \subseteq \mathbf{P}^{n+1}$ of dimension $n \geq 2$ with polarized Hodge structure of weight 1 are:

- $X_3 \subseteq \mathbf{P}^4$ smooth cubic threefold, where $H_3(X, \mathbf{Z}) \simeq \mathbf{Z}^{10}$.
- $X_4 \subseteq \mathbf{P}^4$ smooth quartic threefold, where $H_3(X, \mathbf{Z}) \simeq \mathbf{Z}^{60}$.
- $X_3 \subseteq \mathbf{P}^6$ smooth cubic fivefold, where $H_5(X, \mathbf{Z}) \simeq \mathbf{Z}^{42}$.

Corollary (González–Liendo–M.–Villaflor)

Let X be the Klein quartic threefold (resp. cubic fivefold). Then

$$\mathrm{Aut}(X) \simeq \mathrm{Aut}(J(X), \Theta) / \{\pm 1\}.$$

As $h_{\mathbf{Q}(\sqrt{-43})} = 1$, it follows (Bennama-Bertin '97) that there is a **unique ppav** $(A, \Theta) \in \mathcal{A}_{21}$ such that $\mathrm{Aut}(A, \Theta) \cong \mathrm{PSL}_2(\mathbf{F}_{43})$.

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