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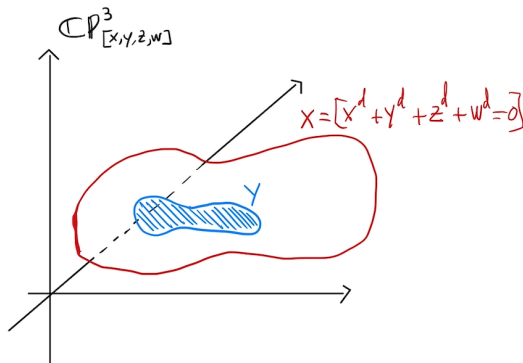
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Example (Fermat curve)

$$Y = \{[X, Y, Z] \in \mathbb{CP}^2 : X^d + Y^d + Z^d = 0\}$$

Goal

Understand higher dimensional varieties by looking at their lower dimensional subvarieties.



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Hidden symmetries and the Hodge Locus

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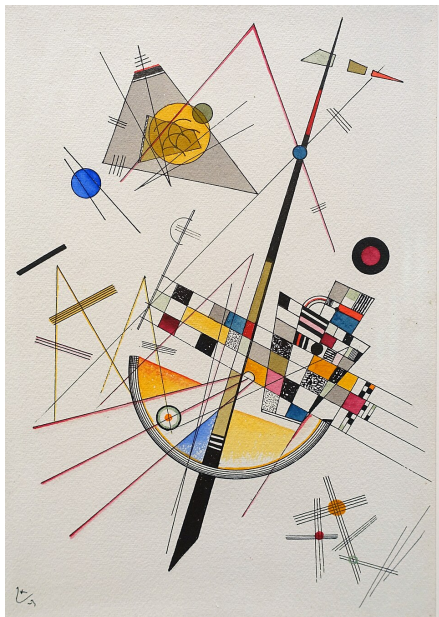
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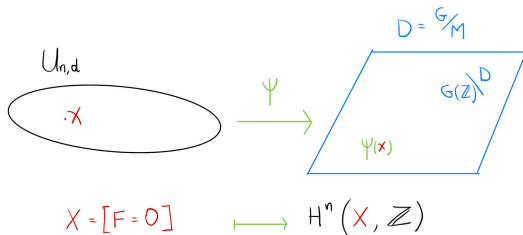
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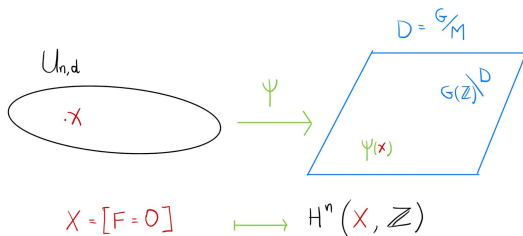
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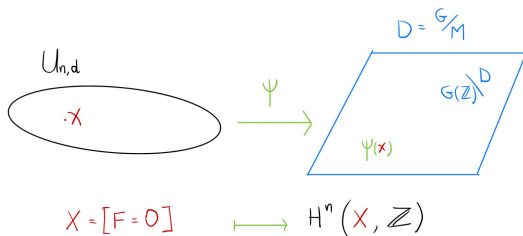
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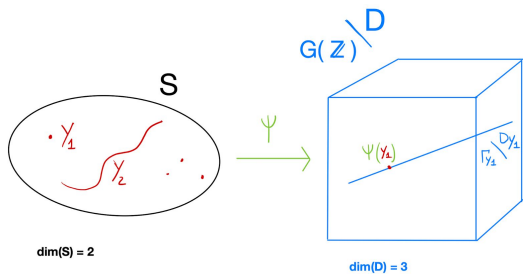
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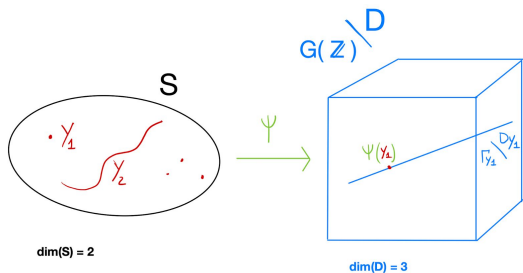
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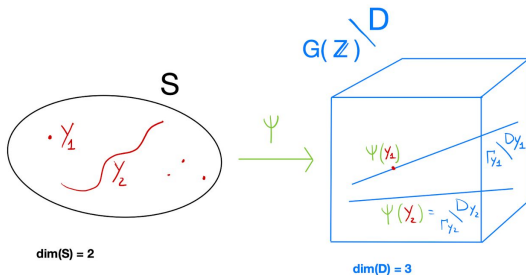
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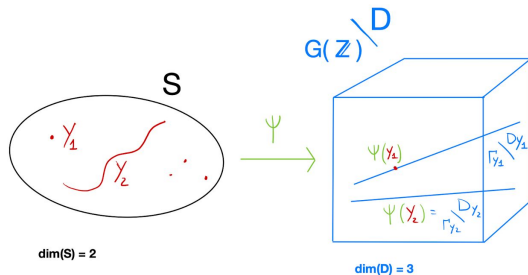
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Tightly related to work of Pila, Bakker-Tsimerman ...

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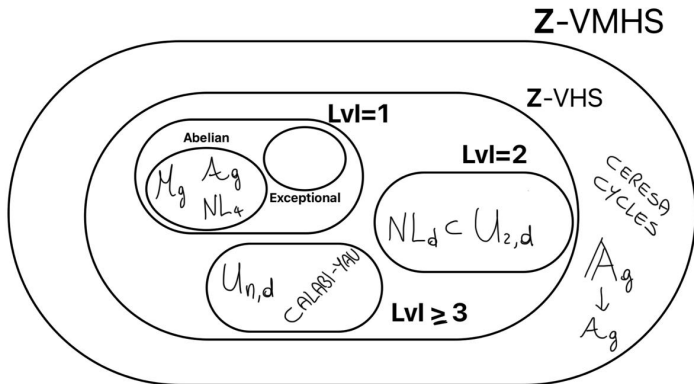
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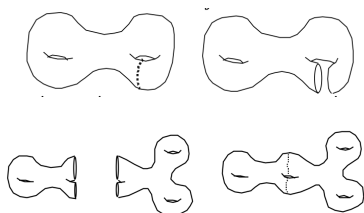
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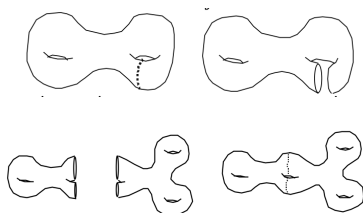
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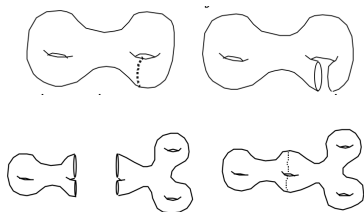
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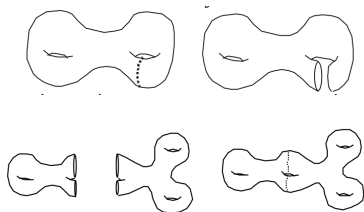
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In the style of Kostant's results on root systems of Levi factors for complex semi-simple Lie algebras.

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Theorem (B.-Urbanik)

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