

## 114. On $D$ -dimensions of Algebraic Varieties

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The purpose of this note is to give an outline of our recent results on  $D$ -dimensions of algebraic varieties. Details will be published elsewhere.<sup>1)</sup>

Letting  $k$  denote an algebraically closed field of characteristic zero, we shall work in the category of schemes over  $k$ . Let  $V$  be a complete algebraic variety of dimension  $n$ , and let  $D$  be a divisor on  $V$ . We denote by  $l(D)-1$  the dimension of the complete linear system  $|D|$  associated with  $D$ . We consider the set of all positive integers  $m$  satisfying  $l(mD) > 0$ , which we indicate by  $N(D)$ . Assume that  $N(D)$  is not empty. Then  $N(D)$  forms a sub-semigroup of the additive group of all integers. Hence, letting  $m_0(D)$  be the g.c.d. of the integers belonging to  $N(D)$ , we can find a positive integer  $N(D)$  such that  $m \in N(D)$  if  $m \equiv 0 \pmod{m_0(D)}$ ,  $m \geq N(D)$ .

**Theorem 1.** *There exist positive numbers  $\alpha, \beta$  and a non-negative integer  $\kappa$  such that the following inequality holds for every sufficiently large integer  $m$ :*

$$\alpha m^\kappa \leq l(mm_0(D)D) \leq \beta m^\kappa.$$

It is easy to check that  $\kappa$  is independent of the choice of  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$ . We define the  $D$ -dimension of  $V$  to be the integer  $\kappa$ , provided that  $l(mD) > 0$  for at least one positive integer  $m$ . We denote the  $D$ -dimension of  $V$  by  $\kappa(D, V)$ . In the case in which  $l(mD) = 0$  for every positive integer  $m$ , we define the  $D$ -dimension of  $V$  to be  $-\infty$ :  $\kappa(D, V) = -\infty$ .

**Theorem 2.** *Assume that  $\kappa(D, V) > 0$ . For an arbitrarily fixed integer  $p$  which is greater than a constant depending on  $D$ , there exists a positive number  $\gamma$  such that the following inequality holds for every sufficiently large integer  $m$ :*

$$l(mm_0(D)D) - l(\{mm_0(D) - pm_0(D)\}D) \leq \gamma m^{\kappa-1}, \quad \kappa = \kappa(D, V).$$

We recall that, in classical algebraic geometry, the index of an algebraic system on an algebraic variety of dimension  $n$  is defined to be the number of those distinct members of the system which pass through  $r$  independent generic points of  $V$ , where  $r =$  the dimension of the system + the dimension of its member  $- n + 1$ .

**Theorem 3.** *Suppose that  $\kappa = \kappa(D, V)$  is positive. Then there*

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