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**Как заинтересовать студентов  
бирациональной геометрией, используя  
простую теорию чисел?**

# Кубические Формы

## ПРЕДИСЛОВИЕ

### I

Любой математик, неравнодушный к теории чисел, испытал на себе очарование теоремы Ферма о сумме двух натуральных квадратов. Психолог юнговской школы нашел бы, вероятно, что такие диофантовы задачи в высшей степени архитипичны.

Замысел предлагаемой книги возник из попытки разобраться, что происходит с суммами трех рациональных кубов. Излишне говорить, что результат далек от простоты, фундаментальности и завершенности классических образцов. Автор обобщал задачу всеми способами, которые приходили ему на ум, и применял все технические средства, какие только умел. Получившееся в итоге нагромождение неассоциативных законов композиции, моноидальных преобразований и когомологий Галуа составило эту книжку.

### II

Задача о суммах трех кубов имеет почтенную историю. Вот основной результат, оставленный классиками (см. Диксон [1]).

*Теорема.* Любое рациональное число является суммой трех кубов рациональных чисел.

Первое доказательство (Райли, 1825; Ричмонд, 1930):

$$a = \left( \frac{a^3 - 3^6}{3^2 a^2 + 3^4 a + 3^6} \right)^3 + \left( \frac{-a^3 + 3^5 a + 3^6}{3^2 a^2 + 3^4 a + 3^6} \right)^3 + \left( \frac{a^2 + 3^4 a}{3^2 a^2 + 3^4 a + 3^6} \right)^3.$$

# Юрий Иванович Манин



# The Ladies' Diary, 1825

## Теорема (С. Райли)

*Every rational number is a sum of three cubes of rational numbers.*

Доказательство.

Let  $q$  be a rational number. Let

$$\alpha = \frac{1}{36} \frac{512q^4 - 1600q^3 + 108440q^2 - 173691q - 729}{128q^3 - 416q^2 + 8082q - 243},$$

$$\beta = -\frac{q(64q^2 - 1648q - 7263)}{128q^3 - 416q^2 + 8082q - 243},$$

$$\gamma = -\frac{1}{36} \frac{512q^4 - 1600q^3 - 15976q^2 + 246213q - 729}{128q^3 - 416q^2 + 8082q - 243}.$$

Заметим, что  $128q^3 - 416q^2 + 8082q - 243 \neq 0$ . Почему?

Using Maple, one can check that

$$\alpha^3 + \beta^3 + \gamma^3 = q.$$

# Пифагоровы тройки

## Пример (Пифагор)

Let  $m, n, k$  be any integers. Then

$$\left( k(m^2 - n^2) \right)^2 + \left( 2kmn \right)^2 = \left( k(m^2 + n^2) \right)^2.$$

This gives **all integral** solutions to

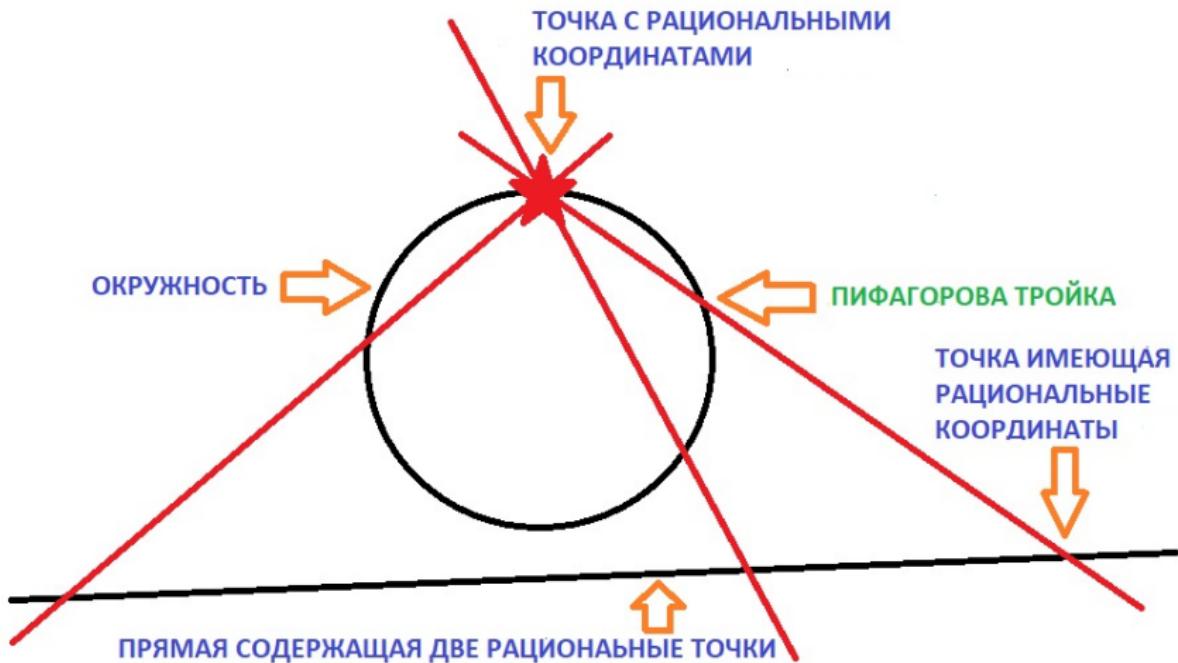
$$x^2 + y^2 = z^2.$$

- ▶ Let  $\mathcal{C}$  be a circle in  $\mathbb{R}^2$  given by  $x^2 + y^2 = 1$ .
- ▶ All points in  $\mathcal{C} \setminus (1, 0)$  with **rational** coordinates are given by

$$\left( \frac{t^2 - 1}{t^2 + 1}, \frac{2t}{t^2 + 1} \right)$$

for some  $t \in \mathbb{Q}$ .

# Рациональная параметризация коник



## Нерациональные кубики

Let  $\mathcal{C}$  be the curve in  $\mathbb{C}^2$  that is given by

$$x^3 + y^3 = 1.$$

Then  $\mathcal{C}$  does not have **rational** parametrization.

### Упражнение

Let  $x(t)$ ,  $y(t)$ ,  $z(t)$  be coprime polynomials in  $\mathbb{C}[t]$  such that

$$x^3(t) + y^3(t) = z^3(t).$$

Then  $x(t)$ ,  $y(t)$ ,  $z(t)$  are constant.

### Следствие

Let  $x(t)$  and  $y(t)$  be rational functions in  $\mathbb{C}(t)$  such that

$$x^3(t) + y^3(t) = 1.$$

Then  $x(t)$  and  $y(t)$  are constant.

## Рациональные кубики

Let  $\mathcal{C}$  be the curve in  $\mathbb{C}^2$  that is given by

$$y^2 + xy^2 - y^3 - x^3 - x^2 = 0.$$

Then  $\mathcal{C}$  has **rational** parametrization.

Let  $L$  be the line  $y = tx$ . Then  $L \cap \mathcal{C}$  is given by

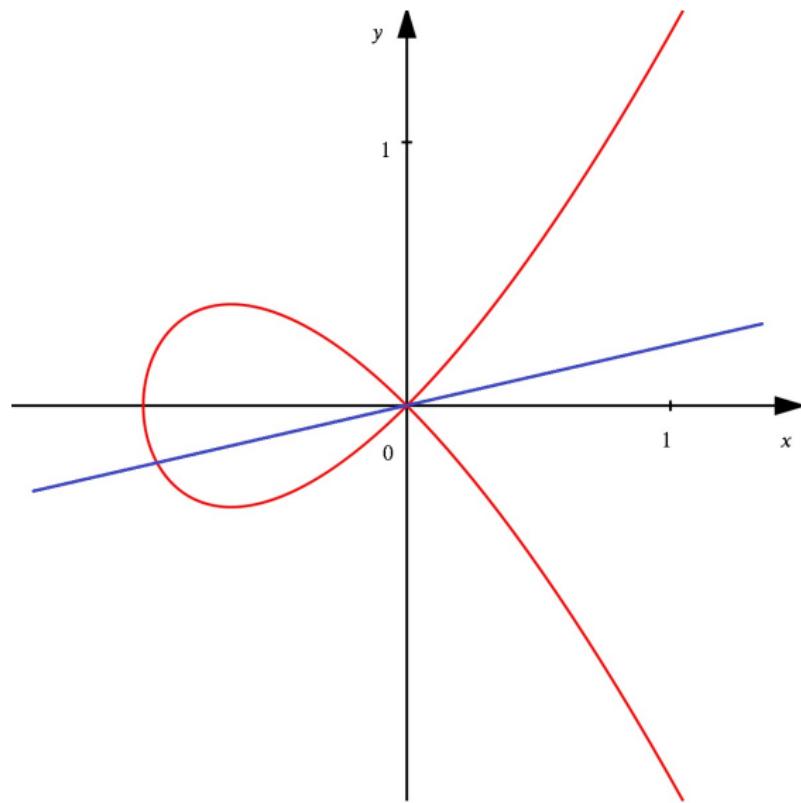
$$\begin{cases} y^2 + xy^2 - y^3 - x^3 - x^2 = 0, \\ y = tx. \end{cases}$$

Solving this system, we find the point

$$\left( \frac{t^2 - 1}{t^3 - t^2 + 1}, \frac{t(t^2 - 1)}{t^3 - t^2 + 1} \right).$$

When  $t$  runs through  $\mathbb{C}$ , we obtain all points in  $\mathcal{C} \setminus (0, 0)$ .

# Рациональная параметризация нодальной кубики



## Стереографическая проекция

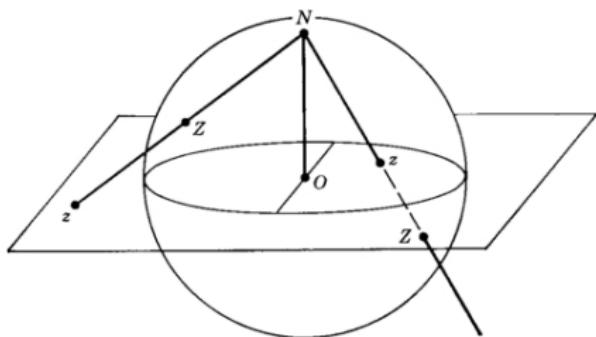
Let  $S_2$  be the sphere in  $\mathbb{C}^3$  that is given by

$$x^2 + y^2 + z^2 = 1.$$

Then  $S_2$  has **rational** parametrization:

$$\left( \frac{1 - u^2 - v^2}{1 + u^2 + v^2}, \frac{2u}{1 + u^2 + v^2}, \frac{2v}{1 + u^2 + v^2} \right).$$

When  $(v, u)$  runs through  $\mathbb{C}^2$ , we obtain **almost** all points in  $S_2$ .



## Рациональная параметризация квадрик

Let  $S_2$  be the quadric surface in  $\mathbb{P}_{\mathbb{C}}^3$  that is given by

$$x^2 + y^2 + z^2 = t^2.$$

Then  $S_2$  has **rational** parametrization:

$$\begin{bmatrix} w^2 - u^2 - v^2 : 2uw : 2vw : w^2 + u^2 + v^2 \end{bmatrix}.$$

When  $[v : u : w]$  runs through  $\mathbb{P}_{\mathbb{C}}^2$  without  $w = 0$ , we obtain

$$S_2 \setminus (L_1 \cup L_2),$$

where

- ▶  $L_1$  is the line  $w = u + iv = 0$ ;
- ▶  $L_2$  is the line  $w = u - iv = 0$ .

# Рациональные и унирациональные многообразия

Let  $X$  be an **irreducible projective** variety of dimension  $n$ .

## Вопрос

Что такое **рациональная параметризация** многообразия  $X$ ?

- ▶ A **dominant rational map**  $\mathbb{P}_{\mathbb{C}}^n \dashrightarrow X$ .
- ▶ A **birational map**  $\mathbb{P}_{\mathbb{C}}^2 \dashrightarrow X$ .

## Определение

- ▶  $X$  is **rational**  $\iff \exists$  **birational map**  $\mathbb{P}_{\mathbb{C}}^n \dashrightarrow X$ .
- ▶  $X$  is **unirational**  $\iff \exists$  **dominant rational map**  $\mathbb{P}_{\mathbb{C}}^n \dashrightarrow X$ .

## Пример

Let  $S_2$  be an **irreducible** quadric surface in  $\mathbb{P}_{\mathbb{C}}^3$ .

Then  $S_2$  is **rational**.

## Пример

Let  $C$  be an **irreducible** cubic curve in  $\mathbb{P}_{\mathbb{C}}^2$ .

Then  $C$  is **rational**  $\iff C$  is singular.

# Рациональность кубических поверхностей

## Теорема

Let  $S_3$  be a *smooth cubic surface in  $\mathbb{P}_{\mathbb{C}}^3$* . Then  $S_3$  is *rational*.

## Доказательство.

Let  $L_1$  and  $L_2$  be two lines in  $S_3$  such that

$$L_1 \cap L_2 = \emptyset.$$

Then  $L_1 \times L_2$  is *rational*, since

$$L_1 \cong L_2 \cong \mathbb{P}_{\mathbb{C}}^1.$$

Define a map  $\psi: L_1 \times L_2 \dashrightarrow S_3$  as follows:

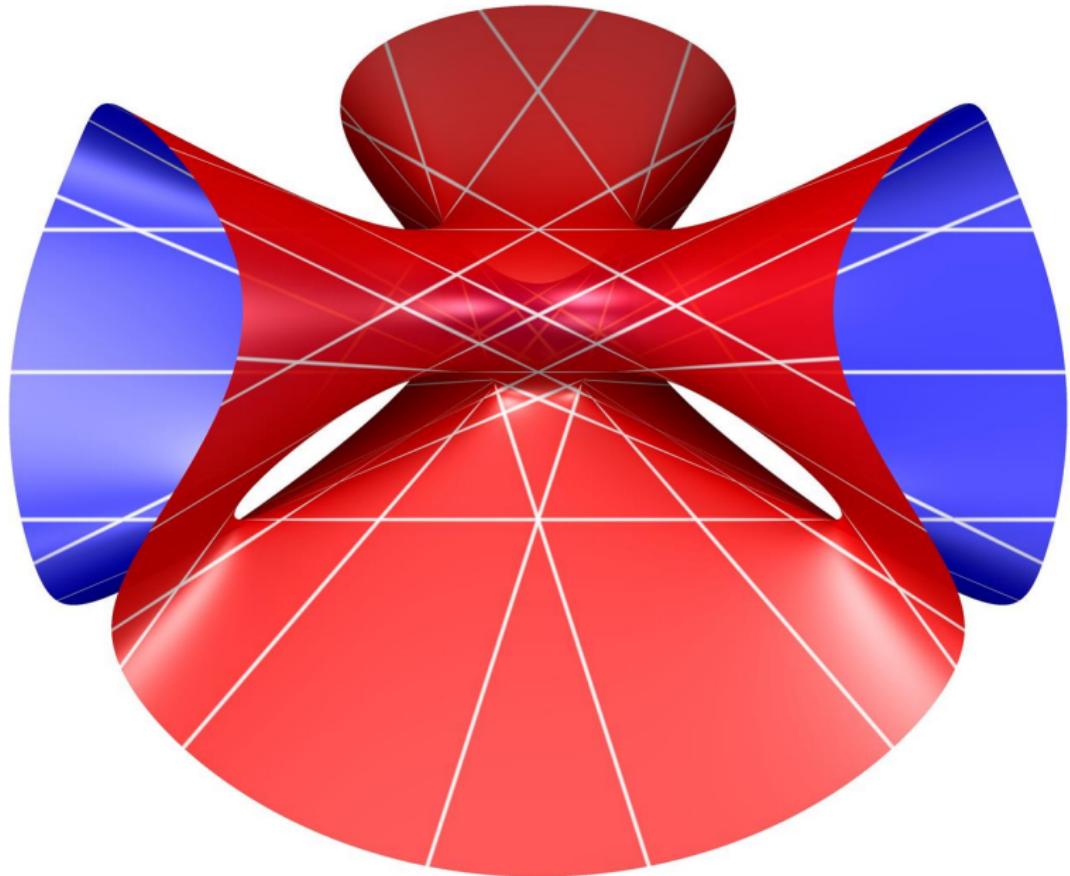
- ▶ Let  $(P, Q)$  be a *general* point in  $L_1 \times L_2$ .
- ▶ Let  $\ell$  be the line in  $\mathbb{P}_{\mathbb{C}}^3$  that contains  $P$  and  $Q$ .
- ▶ Let  $\phi((P, Q))$  be the *third* point in  $\ell \cap S_3$ .

Then  $\phi: L_1 \times L_2 \dashrightarrow S_3$  is a *birational* map.

This shows that  $S_3$  is *rational*.



## 27 прямых на кубической поверхности



Рациональность поверхности  $x^3 + y^3 + z + z^3 = 0$

Let  $S_3$  be the surface in  $\mathbb{C}^3$  given by  $x^3 + y^3 + z + z^3 = 0$ .

- ▶ Let  $L_1$  be the line  $x + y = z = 0$ .
- ▶ Let  $L_2$  be the line  $\omega x + y = z - i = 0$ , where  $\omega = -\frac{1+i\sqrt{3}}{2}$ .

Let  $P = (a, -a, 0) \in L_1$  and  $Q = (b, -\omega b, i) \in L_2$ .

Let  $\ell$  be the line in  $\mathbb{C}^3$  that contains  $P$  and  $Q$ . Then  $\ell$  is given by

$$\left( a + \lambda(b - a), -a + \lambda(a - \omega b), \lambda i \right),$$

where  $\lambda \in \mathbb{C}$ . Then  $\ell \cap S_3$  consists of the points  $P$ ,  $Q$  and

$$\begin{aligned} & \left( \frac{(6\omega + 3)a^2b^2 + 2ia - ib}{(3\omega - 3)a^2b + (3\omega + 6)ab^2 + i}, \right. \\ & \quad \frac{(3\omega - 3)a^2b^2 + i\omega b - 2ia}{(3\omega - 3)a^2b + (3\omega + 6)ab^2 + i}, \\ & \quad \left. \frac{i(3\omega - 3)a^2b + 1}{(3\omega - 3)a^2b + (3\omega + 6)ab^2 + i} \right). \end{aligned}$$

Рациональность поверхности  $x^3 + y^3 + t^2z + z^3 = 0$

Let  $S_3$  be the surface in  $\mathbb{P}_{\mathbb{C}}^3$  given by  $x^3 + y^3 + t^2z + z^3 = 0$ .

There is a **birational** map  $\mathbb{P}_{\mathbb{C}}^2 \dashrightarrow S_3$  that maps  $[a : b : c]$  to

$$\begin{bmatrix} (6\omega + 3)b^2c + 2iac^2 - ia^2b : (3\omega - 3)b^2c + i\omega a^2b - 2iac^2 : \\ : i(3\omega - 3)bc + a^2c : (3\omega - 3)bc^2 + (3\omega + 6)ab^2 + ia^2c \end{bmatrix}.$$

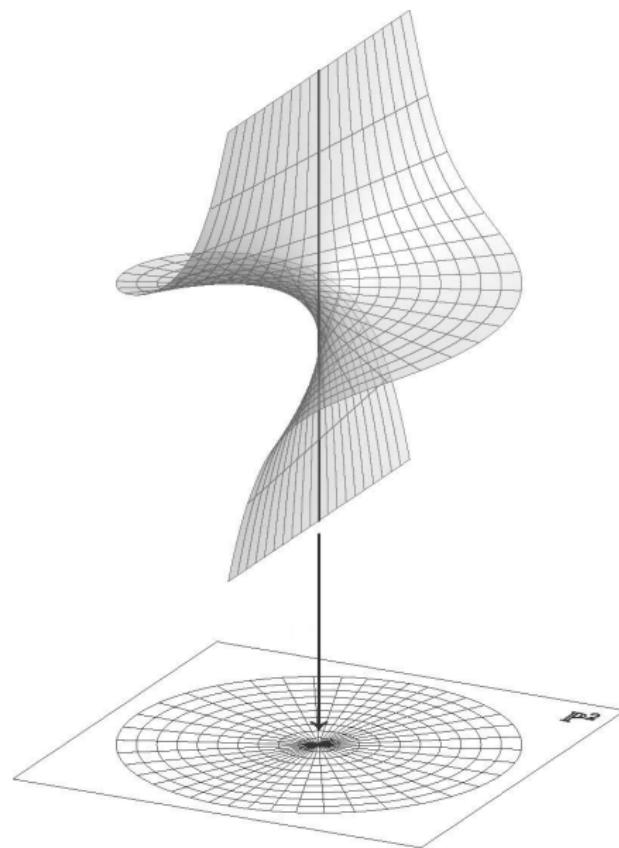
This map is undefined in the points

$$\begin{cases} (6\omega + 3)b^2c + 2iac^2 - ia^2b = 0, \\ (3\omega - 3)b^2c + i\omega a^2b - 2iac^2 = 0, \\ i(3\omega - 3)bc + a^2c = 0, \\ (3\omega - 3)bc^2 + (3\omega + 6)ab^2 + ia^2c = 0. \end{cases}$$

This system of equations gives us exactly 6 points in  $\mathbb{P}_{\mathbb{C}}^2$ .

- ▶ The inverse map  $S_3 \dashrightarrow \mathbb{P}_{\mathbb{C}}^2$  is **well defined**.
- ▶ It contracts 6 **disjoint** lines in  $S_3$  to the points above.

## Раздутие точки на плоскости



## Унирациональность кубических поверхностей

Let  $S_3$  be a **smooth** cubic surface in  $\mathbb{P}_{\mathbb{C}}^3$  that is defined over  $\mathbb{Q}$ .

### Теорема (Бенджамино Серге)

*The surface  $S_3$  is **unirational** over  $\mathbb{Q}$   $\iff S_3$  has a rational point.*

Suppose that  $S_3$  contains a rational point  $P$ .

- ▶ Let  $\Pi$  be the plane in  $\mathbb{P}_{\mathbb{C}}^3$  that is tangent to  $S_3$  in  $P$ .
- ▶ Put  $C = S_3 \cap \Pi$ . Then  $C$  is a singular cubic curve.
- ▶ Then  $C$  is defined over  $\mathbb{Q}$ , since  $P$  is defined over  $\mathbb{Q}$ .
- ▶ Suppose that  $C$  is irreducible. Then  $C$  is **rational** over  $\mathbb{Q}$ .
- ▶ This gives us a infinitely many rational points in  $S_3$ .
- ▶ Pick one of them  $Q \neq P$  and repeat the construction.
- ▶ This gives singular cubic curve  $Z \subset S_3$  defined over  $\mathbb{Q}$ .

Now we can construct a **dominant** rational map

$$C \times Z \dashrightarrow S_3$$

as in the proof of rationality of **complex** smooth cubic surfaces.

Бенжамино Сегре



## Теорема Райли |

Let  $S_3$  be the surface in  $\mathbb{P}_{\mathbb{C}}^3$  given by

$$x^3 + y^3 + z^3 - qt^3 = 0,$$

where  $q$  is a non-zero rational number.

Then  $S_3$  is unirational over  $\mathbb{Q}$  by Segre's Theorem.

Let us show this. To do this, replace  $S_3$  by its part  $z \neq 0$ .

Thus, we may assume that  $S_3$  is given by

$$x^3 + y^3 + 1 - qt^3 = 0.$$

Let  $\ell$  be the line given by

$$\left( -1 + 2\lambda, \lambda, 0 \right),$$

where  $\lambda \in \mathbb{Q}$ . Then  $\ell \cap S_3 = (-1, 0, 0)$  over  $\mathbb{Q}$ .

Over  $\mathbb{Q}(\sqrt{-2})$  the intersection  $\ell \cap S_3$  contains two more points:

$$\left( \frac{1 \pm 2\sqrt{-2}}{3}, \frac{2 \pm \sqrt{-2}}{3}, 0 \right).$$

## Теорема Райли ||

Let  $\hat{x} = x - \frac{1+2\sqrt{-2}}{3}$ ,  $\hat{y} = y - \frac{2+\sqrt{-2}}{3}$ ,  $\hat{t} = t$ . Then  $S_3$  is given by

$$\begin{aligned} & \left( -\frac{7}{3} + \frac{4}{3}\sqrt{-2} \right) \hat{x} + \left( \frac{2}{3} + \frac{4}{3}\sqrt{-2} \right) \hat{y} + \\ & + (1 + 2\sqrt{-2}) \hat{x}^2 + (2 + \sqrt{-2}) \hat{y}^2 + \hat{y}^3 + \hat{x}^3 - q\hat{t}^3 = 0. \end{aligned}$$

Let  $\Pi$  be the tangent plane to  $S_3$  at  $P$ . Then  $\Pi$  is given by

$$\hat{y} = \frac{7 - 4\sqrt{-2}}{4\sqrt{-2} + 2} \hat{x}.$$

Thus, the intersection  $\Pi \cap S_3$  is given by

$$\left( -10\sqrt{-2} - 31 \right) \hat{x}^3 + \left( 36 - 18\sqrt{-2} \right) \hat{x}^2 + 8q\hat{t}^3 = 0.$$

Intersecting this curve with the line  $t = \lambda x$  in  $\Pi$ , we get the point

$$\left( \frac{2 - 18\sqrt{-2}}{31 - 8q\lambda^3 + 10\sqrt{-2}}, \frac{36\lambda - 18\sqrt{-2}}{31 - 8q\lambda^3 + 10\sqrt{-2}}, \frac{-27\sqrt{-2} - 54}{31 - 8q\lambda^3 + 10\sqrt{-2}} \right).$$

## Теорема Райли III

We see that the surface  $S_3$  contain the point

$$\left( \frac{2 - 18\sqrt{-2}}{31 - 8q\lambda^3 + 10\sqrt{-2}}, \frac{36\lambda - 18\sqrt{-2}}{31 - 8q\lambda^3 + 10\sqrt{-2}}, \frac{-27\sqrt{-2} - 54}{31 - 8q\lambda^3 + 10\sqrt{-2}} \right)$$

in coordinates  $\hat{x} = x - \frac{1+2\sqrt{-2}}{3}$ ,  $\hat{y} = y - \frac{2+\sqrt{-2}}{3}$ ,  $\hat{t} = t$ .

Rewriting this point in coordinated  $x$ ,  $y$  and  $t$ , we obtain the point

$$\begin{aligned} & \left( -\frac{2\sqrt{-2} + 1}{3} \cdot \frac{8q\lambda^3 + 20\sqrt{-2} - 19}{31 - 8q\lambda^3 + 10\sqrt{-2}}, \right. \\ & \quad \frac{2\sqrt{-2} + 4}{3} \cdot \frac{-4q\lambda^3 + 5\sqrt{-2} - 25}{31 - 8q\lambda^3 + 10\sqrt{-2}}, \\ & \quad \left. \frac{\lambda(36 - 18\sqrt{-2})}{31 - 8q\lambda^3 + 10\sqrt{-2}} \right) \end{aligned}$$

contained in  $S_3$  for every  $\lambda \in \mathbb{C}$ .

- **Main trick:** let  $\boxed{\lambda = a + b\sqrt{-2}}$  (Weil restriction).

## Теорема Райли |V

Recall that  $S_3$  is the surface in  $\mathbb{Q}^3$  given by  $x^3 + y^3 + 1 = qt^3$ . Let

$$x_1 = \frac{1}{3} \frac{(2\sqrt{-2} + 1)(-16\sqrt{-2}b^3q - 48ab^2q + 24\sqrt{-2}a^2bq + 8a^3q + 20\sqrt{-2} - 19)}{-16\sqrt{-2}b^3q - 48ab^2q + 24\sqrt{-2}a^2bq + 8a^3q - 10\sqrt{-2} - 31},$$

$$y_1 = \frac{2}{3} \frac{(\sqrt{-2} + 2)(-8\sqrt{-2}b^3q - 24ab^2q + 12\sqrt{-2}a^2bq + 4a^3q - 5\sqrt{-2} + 25)}{-16\sqrt{-2}b^3q - 48ab^2q + 24\sqrt{-2}a^2bq + 8a^3q - 10\sqrt{-2} - 31},$$

$$t_1 = \frac{18(a + b\sqrt{-2})(\sqrt{-2} - 2)}{-16\sqrt{-2}b^3q - 48ab^2q + 24\sqrt{-2}a^2bq + 8a^3q - 10\sqrt{-2} - 31}.$$

Then  $(x_1, y_1, t_1) \in S_3$  for every rational  $a$  and  $b$ .

The complex conjugate point  $(\bar{x}_1, \bar{y}_1, \bar{t}_1)$  also lies in  $S_3$ . Let

$$x_2 = \frac{1}{3} \frac{(-2\sqrt{-2} + 1)(16\sqrt{-2}b^3q - 48ab^2q - 24\sqrt{-2}a^2bq + 8a^3q - 20\sqrt{-2} - 19)}{16\sqrt{-2}b^3q - 48ab^2q - 24\sqrt{-2}a^2bq + 8a^3q + 10\sqrt{-2} - 31},$$

$$y_2 = \frac{2}{3} \frac{(-\sqrt{-2} + 2)(8\sqrt{-2}b^3q - 24ab^2q - 12\sqrt{-2}a^2bq + 4a^3q + 5\sqrt{-2} + 25)}{16\sqrt{-2}b^3q - 48ab^2q - 24\sqrt{-2}a^2bq + 8a^3q + 10\sqrt{-2} - 31},$$

$$t_2 = \frac{18(a - b\sqrt{-2})(\sqrt{-2} - 2)}{16\sqrt{-2}b^3q - 48ab^2q - 24\sqrt{-2}a^2bq + 8a^3q + 10\sqrt{-2} - 31}.$$

Then  $(x_2, y_2, t_2) = (\bar{x}_1, \bar{y}_1, \bar{t}_1)$  is contained in  $S_3$ .

# Теорема Райли V

Let  $L$  be the line that contains  $(x_1, y_1, t_1)$  and  $(x_2, y_2, t_2)$ . Then  $L$  is defined over  $\mathbb{Q}$ .

The intersection  $L \cap S_3$  consists of  $(x_1, y_1, t_1)$ ,  $(x_2, y_2, t_2)$  and  $\left(\frac{\theta_1}{\epsilon}, \frac{\theta_2}{\epsilon}, \frac{\theta_3}{\epsilon}\right)$ , where

$$\begin{aligned} \theta_1 = & -512a^{12}q^4 + 6144a^{10}b^2q^4 + 30720a^8b^4q^4 + 81920a^6b^6q^4 + 122880a^4b^8q^4 + 98304a^2b^{10}q^4 + \\ & + 32768b^12q^4 - 1600a^9q^3 + 1920a^8bq^3 + 10240a^6b^3q^3 + 38400a^5b^4q^3 + 15360a^4b^5q^3 + 102400a^3b^6q^3 + \\ & + 76800ab^8q^3 - 10240b^9q^3 + 108440a^6q^2 + 30048a^5bq^2 - 317760a^4b^2q^2 - 760192a^3b^3q^2 + 1192800a^2b^4q^2 + \\ & + 120192ab^5q^2 - 496000b^6q^2 - 173691a^3q + 633582a^2bq - 729324ab^2q + 286200b^3q - 729. \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \theta_2 = & 2304a^9q^3 + 34560a^8bq^3 + 184320a^6b^3q^3 - 55296a^5b^4q^3 + 276480a^4b^5q^3 - \\ & - 147456a^3b^6q^3 - 110592ab^8q^3 - 184320b^9q^3 - 59328a^6q^2 - 146880a^5bq^2 + 100224a^4b^2q^2 + 419328a^3b^3q^2 - \\ & - 200448a^2b^4q^2 - 587520ab^5q^2 + 474624b^6q^2 - 261468a^3q + 801900a^2bq - 793152ab^2q + 252720b^3q. \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \theta_3 = & -4608a^{10}q^3 - 4608a^9bq^3 - 27648a^8b^2q^3 - 36864a^7b^3q^3 - 36864a^6b^4q^3 - \\ & - 110592a^5b^5q^3 + 73728a^4b^6q^3 - 147456a^3b^7q^3 + 221184a^2b^8q^3 - 73728ab^9q^3 + 147456b^{10}q^3 + \\ & + 14976a^7q^2 - 19584a^6bq^2 + 165888a^5b^2q^2 - 105984a^4b^3q^2 + 281088a^3b^4q^2 - 207360a^2b^5q^2 + 18432ab^6q^2 - \\ & - 147456b^7q^2 - 290952a^4q + 255960a^3bq + 820368a^2b^2q - 1402272ab^3q + 616896b^4q + 8748a - 8748b. \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \epsilon = & 512a^{12}q^4 + 6144a^{10}b^2q^4 + 30720a^8b^4q^4 + 81920a^6b^6q^4 + 122880a^4b^8q^4 + \\ & + 98304a^2b^{10}q^4 + 32768b^12q^4 - 1600a^9q^3 + 1920a^8bq^3 + 10240a^6b^3q^3 + 38400a^5b^4q^3 + 15360a^4b^5q^3 + \\ & + 102400a^3b^6q^3 + 76800ab^8q^3 - 10240b^9q^3 - 15976a^6q^2 - 343200a^5bq^2 + 55488a^4b^2q^2 + 608384a^3b^3q^2 + \\ & + 446304a^2b^4q^2 - 1372800ab^5q^2 + 499328b^6q^2 + 246213a^3q - 626130a^2bq + 530388ab^2q - 133704b^3q - 729. \end{aligned}$$

## Теорема Райли VI

For every rational  $a$  and  $b$  such that  $\epsilon \neq 0$ , we have

$$\left(\frac{\theta_1}{\epsilon}\right)^3 + \left(\frac{\theta_2}{\epsilon}\right)^3 + 1 = q \left(\frac{\theta_3}{\epsilon}\right)^3.$$

Thus, for every rational  $a$  and  $b$  such that  $\theta_3 \neq 0$ , we have

$$q = \left(\frac{\theta_1}{\theta_3}\right)^3 + \left(\frac{\theta_2}{\theta_3}\right)^3 + \left(\frac{\epsilon}{\theta_3}\right)^3.$$

For example, let  $a = 1$  and  $b = 0$ . Then

$$\frac{\theta_1}{\theta_3} = \frac{1}{36} \frac{512q^4 - 1600q^3 + 108440q^2 - 173691q - 729}{128q^3 - 416q^2 + 8082q - 243},$$

$$\frac{\theta_2}{\theta_3} = -\frac{q(64q^2 - 1648q - 7263)}{128q^3 - 416q^2 + 8082q - 243},$$

$$\frac{\epsilon}{\theta_3} = -\frac{1}{36} \frac{512q^4 - 1600q^3 - 15976q^2 + 246213q - 729}{128q^3 - 416q^2 + 8082q - 243}.$$

# Проблема Люрота

## Вопрос

*Are there **unirational** varieties of dimension  $n$  that are not **rational**?*

## Теорема (Люрот, 1876)

*Every one-dimensional **unirational** variety is **rational**.*

## Теорема (Castelnuovo)

*Every two-dimensional **complex unirational** variety is **rational**.*

## Пример

*Let  $S_3$  be a **smooth** cubic surface in  $\mathbb{P}_{\mathbb{C}}^3$  defined by*

$$t(x^2 + y^2) = (z - \alpha_1 t)(z - \alpha_2 t)(z - \alpha_3 t),$$

*where  $\alpha_1, \alpha_2$  and  $\alpha_3$  are distinct real numbers.*

*Then  $S_3(\mathbb{R})$  is not connected, so that  $S_3$  is not **rational** over  $\mathbb{R}$ .  
But  $S_3$  is **unirational** over  $\mathbb{R}$  by the proof of Segre's theorem.*

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## Нерациональные кубические поверхности

Let  $S_3$  be a **smooth** cubic surface in  $\mathbb{P}_{\mathbb{C}}^3$  that is defined over  $\mathbb{Q}$ .

**Теорема (Бенджамино Серге, Юрий Иванович Манин)**

Suppose that for every curve  $C \subset S_3$  defined over  $\mathbb{Q}$  one has

$$C = S_3 \cap F$$

for some surface  $F$  in  $\mathbb{P}_{\mathbb{C}}^3$ . Then  $S_3$  is not **rational** over  $\mathbb{Q}$ .

- ▶ This theorem holds for del Pezzo surfaces of degree  $\leq 3$ .

**Пример**

Let  $S_3$  be the surface in  $\mathbb{P}_{\mathbb{C}}^3$  that is given by

$$2x^3 + 3y^3 + 5z^3 + 7t^3 = 0.$$

Then  $S_3$  is non-**rational** over  $\mathbb{Q}$  by Segre–Manin theorem.

But  $S_3$  is **unirational**, since  $[1 : 1 : -1 : 0] \in S_3$ .

## Поверхности дель Пеццо степени 1 и 2

Let  $\mathbb{F}$  be an arbitrary field.

### Теорема (Manin)

Let  $S_4$  be a *smooth quartic surface* in  $\mathbb{P}(1,1,1,2)$  defined over  $\mathbb{F}$ .

Suppose that  $S_4$  contains  $\mathbb{F}$ -rational point in *general position*.

Then  $S_4$  is *unirational* over  $\mathbb{F}$ .

### Теорема (Salgado, Testa, Varilly-Alvarado, Festi, van Luijk)

Let  $S_4$  be a *smooth quartic surface* in  $\mathbb{P}(1,1,1,2)$  defined over  $\mathbb{F}$ .

Suppose that  $\mathbb{F}$  is a finite field. Then  $S_4$  is *unirational* over  $\mathbb{F}$ .

### Вопрос

Let  $S_6$  be a *smooth sextic surface* in  $\mathbb{P}(1,1,2,3)$  defined over  $\mathbb{F}$ .

Is  $S_6$  *unirational* over  $\mathbb{F}$ ?

- ▶ Let  $\overline{\mathbb{F}}$  be the algebraic closure of the field  $\mathbb{F}$ .

### Вопрос

Let  $S$  be a surface defined over  $\mathbb{F}$  that is *rational* over  $\overline{\mathbb{F}}$ .

Suppose that  $S$  contains  $\mathbb{F}$ -rational point. Is  $S$  *unirational* over  $\mathbb{F}$ ?

# Проблема Люрота в размерности три над $\mathbb{C}$

Теорема (Исковских & Манин, 1971)

*Every smooth quartic hypersurface in  $\mathbb{P}_{\mathbb{C}}^4$  is not rational.*

Теорема (Clemens & Griffiths, 1972)

*Every smooth cubic hypersurface in  $\mathbb{P}_{\mathbb{C}}^4$  is not rational.*

- ▶ Some smooth quartic hypersurface in  $\mathbb{P}_{\mathbb{C}}^4$  are unirational.
- ▶ All smooth cubic hypersurface in  $\mathbb{P}_{\mathbb{C}}^4$  are unirational.

Пример (Artin & Mumford, 1972)

Let  $F_2 = x^2 + y^2 + z^2 + t^2 + (x + y + z + t)^2$  and

$$F_4 = x^4 + y^4 + z^4 + t^4 + (x + y + z + t)^4.$$

Let  $X$  be the hypersurface in  $\mathbb{P}(1, 1, 1, 1, 2)$  that is given by

$$w^2 = F_4(x, y, z, t) - \frac{1}{2}F_2^2(x, y, z, t).$$

Then  $X$  is unirational. But  $X$  is not rational.

# Унирationalность трехмерных многообразия Фано

Most of smooth Fano threefolds are known to be **unirational** over  $\mathbb{C}$ .

## Вопрос

Let  $V_6$  be a **smooth** hypersurface in  $\mathbb{P}(1,1,1,2,3)$  of degree 6.

Is  $V_6$  **unirational**?

## Вопрос

Let  $X_6$  be a **smooth** hypersurface in  $\mathbb{P}(1,1,1,1,3)$  of degree 6.

Is  $X_6$  **unirational**?

## Вопрос

Let  $X_4$  be a **smooth** hypersurface in  $\mathbb{P}^4$  of degree 4.

Is  $X_4$  **unirational**?

- ▶ A variety  $X$  is said to be **rationally connected** if every two **general** points in  $X$  can be joined by a rational curve.

## Вопрос

Let  $X$  be a **rationally connected** variety. Is  $X$  **unirational**?