

# INTERCITY+ANTWERP READING SEMINAR ON HODGE CONJECTURE FOR CATEGORIES

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The goal of this learning seminar is to learn about the integral Hodge conjecture for Calabi–Yau 2 categories after Alex Perry: <https://arxiv.org/pdf/2004.03163.pdf>.

DAY 1: FEBRUARY 23 (AMSTERDAM)

**Talk 1.** *Motivation and state of the Hodge conjecture.*

**Speaker:** Mingmin Shen (Amsterdam)

Define Voisin group. Kollár’s Trento example: failure of Hodge conjecture. Intermediate Jacobian. Variational Hodge conjecture. State of affairs. <https://webusers.imj-prg.fr/~claire.voisin/Articlesweb/voisinhodge.pdf>

**Talk 2.** *The Kuznetsov component of a cubic fourfold*

**Speaker:** Céline Fietz (Leiden)

The simplest example of a CY2 category is the derived category  $D^b(S)$  of a K3 or abelian surface. The first “non-trivial” example is the Kuznetsov component  $\mathcal{A}_X$  of a cubic fourfold  $X$ . In <https://arxiv.org/pdf/1211.3758.pdf>, which is an important inspiration for Perry’s paper, Addington and Thomas proved that for  $X$  generic,  $\mathcal{A}_X$  is equivalent to  $D^b(S)$  for some K3 surface  $S$  if and only if there is a Hodge-theoretic relation between  $X$  and  $S$ . We spend 3 talks on reading Addington–Thomas.

- Recall semi-orthogonal decompositions, e.g. following §2.1 of <https://arxiv.org/pdf/0808.3351.pdf>, or §2.3 and §3.2 of <https://arxiv.org/pdf/0904.4330v1.pdf>. Introduce the Kuznetsov component  $\mathcal{A}_X$  of a cubic fourfold  $X$ .
- State that there are cases for which  $\mathcal{A}_X$  is equivalent to the derived category of a K3 surface or twisted K3 surface – recall what the second means. Two examples are given by §3 and §4 of <https://arxiv.org/pdf/0808.3351.pdf>; the second is more important for the proof of Addington–Thomas’ main theorem.
- Explain the statement of Addington–Thomas’ main theorem and the strategy of the proof.
- Recall the definition of Algebraic K-theory (and “numerical K-theory” as defined by Addington–Thomas).

**Talk 3.** *Topological K-theory and the Mukai lattice*

**Speaker:** Dion Leijnse (Amsterdam)

- Introduce topological K-theory (reference: Atiyah–Hirzebruch?)
- Define the Mukai lattice of a K3 surface and of a cubic fourfold, following §2 of Addington–Thomas. You can skip Proposition 2.5 (and possibly Proposition 2.4)
- State Theorem 3.1 of Addington–Thomas and the equivalent condition (1’). We skip the proof. Prove the “easy” direction of Addington–Thomas’ main theorem.
- State Theorem 4.1 in Addington–Thomas. We skip the proof, but you may want to give the idea, explained between the statements of Theorem 4.1 and Lemma 4.2.

- Explain §5 of Addington–Thomas. The proofs of Propositions 5.1 and 5.2 can just be sketched.

DAY 2: MARCH 8 (LEIDEN)

**Talk 4.** *Hochschild (co)homology and deformations*

**Speaker:** Emma Brakkee (Leiden)

- Spend some time on Hochschild (co)homology, following §6 of Addington–Thomas (+more references?). Proposition 6.2 is used for the “inverse direction” of the main theorem – state it and if possible, prove it.
- State Theorem 7.1. The lines below the statement explain the main point of the proof which you may want to explain, but we skip the parts about Atiyah classes.
- Say that Theorem 3.1 can be extended by T1-lifting. You could state Proposition 6.6, but if it doesn’t add any value, just skip it. State Theorem 7.7.
- Prove the “inverse direction” of the main theorem.

**Talk 5.** *Hochschild Homology for admissible subcategory*

**Speaker:** Francesca Leonardi / Márton Habliscek (Leiden)

By a result of Orlov, Hochschild Homology is a derived invariant. The goal of the next two talks is to discuss Hochschild (co)homology for an admissible subcategory  $\mathcal{A}$  of the derived category of coherent sheaf  $D^b(X)$  following §4-6 of <https://arxiv.org/pdf/0904.4330v1.pdf> and the summary slides: <https://www.science.unitn.it/~pignatel/PoAV/talks/Kuznetsov.pdf>. Define admissible subcategory. Existence of strong generators for  $D^b(X)$  and its admissible subcategories (reference?). Present Lemma 4.3: re-interpretation of  $\mathcal{A}$  as derived category of perfect complexes over dg-algebra of its strong generator (this is called “enhancement”). Define Hochschild (co)homology of a dg-algebra (beginning of §4.2). Use this to define Hochschild (co)homology of an enhanced admissible subcategory. Combining the results of Theorem 4.5 and Proposition 4.6 observe that Hochschild (co)homology of an admissible subcategory of  $D^b(X)$  can be written in terms of the kernel of the projection  $D^b(X) \rightarrow \mathcal{A}$ . Functoriality of Hochschild (co)homology §6.

**Talk 6.** *HH for admissible subcategory and example*

**Speaker:** Francesca Leonardi / Márton Habliscek (Leiden)

Follow §7, 8 and 9 of <https://arxiv.org/pdf/0904.4330v1.pdf> and the summary slides <https://www.science.unitn.it/~pignatel/PoAV/talks/Kuznetsov.pdf>. Show additivity of Hochschild (co)homology over a given semi-orthogonal decomposition. Examples: 1) present Theorem 8.8 replacing Grassmannians by projective space. 2) Theorem 8.9: Fano threefold of index 2. State the non-vanishing conjecture and the Corollaries from §9. Remark that non-vanishing conjecture is true if the triangulated category is Calabi–Yau (define §6: <https://arxiv.org/pdf/2004.03163.pdf>) because in this case the HH is a free-module over Hochschild cohomology.

## DAY 3: APRIL 5 (UTRECHT)

**Talk 7:** *S-linear stable infinity categories*

**Speaker:** Lenny Taelman (Amsterdam)

Follow §2 of <https://arxiv.org/pdf/2004.03163.pdf>.

**Talk 8:** *HH for S-linear categories*

**Speaker:** Dhyan Aranha (Amsterdam)

Follow §3,4 of <https://arxiv.org/pdf/2004.03163.pdf>. Compare with Talks 5,6. Focus mostly on the deformation theory §4.5.

**Talk 9.** *Hodge theory of categories*

**Speaker:** Wouter Rienks (Amsterdam)

Follow §5.1 and 5.2 of <https://arxiv.org/pdf/2004.03163.pdf>. The main goal is to state the non-commutative (variational) Hodge conjecture (Conj. 5.11 and 5.21) and make sense of it. Define non-commutative Voisin group (Def. 5.15). Results needed to deal with the relative setting should be black-boxed or quoted from Talk 7, i.e. results from §2-4. Focus only on cubic 4-folds.

## DAY 4: MAY 24 (ANTWERP)

**Talk 10.** *Another Overview*

**Speaker:** Ignacio Barros (Antwerp)

Part I: Overview of variational HC. Part II: Gushel–Mukai 4-folds and their semi orthogonal decomposition.

**Talk 11.** *CY2 categories and moduli of objects*

**Speaker:** Weisheng Wang (Utrecht)

Follow §6 and 7 from <https://arxiv.org/pdf/2004.03163.pdf>. Focus only on cubic 4-folds.

**Talk 12.** *Proofs*

**Speaker:** Noah Olander (Amsterdam)

Provide examples for the failure of the Hodge conjecture: Integral Hodge conjecture vs non-commutative integral Hodge conjecture (Prop. 5.16). Define non-commutative Intermediate Jacobian §5.3. State and prove the integral Hodge conjecture for CY2 categories. Follow Introduction and §8 of <https://arxiv.org/pdf/2004.03163.pdf>.