

SOME PROPERTIES OF THE MULTIPLICITY AND OF BLOW UPS AT EQUIMULTIPLE CENTERS (III).

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Proof of Proposition 0.1 and Theorem 0.2 in the general case.

Proposition 0.1. *Fix a morphism $\delta : X \rightarrow V$ finite of generic rank n , defined by an extension $S \subset B$ in the class \mathcal{T} . For any sequence*

$$(0.1.1) \quad \begin{array}{ccccccc} X = X_0 & \xleftarrow{\pi_1} & X_1 & \xleftarrow{\pi_2} & \dots & \xleftarrow{\pi_r} & X_r \\ F_n(X_0) & & F_n(X_1) & & \dots & & F_n(X_r) \end{array}$$

where $X_i \leftarrow X_{i+1}$ is the blow-up at a regular center $Y_i \subset F_n(X_i)$, one has that

$$n = n(X) = n(X_1) = \dots = n(X_{r-1}) \geq n(X_r)$$

and (0.1.1) induces

$$(0.1.2) \quad \begin{array}{ccccccc} X & \xleftarrow{\quad} & X_1 & \xleftarrow{\quad} & \dots & \xleftarrow{\quad} & X_{r-1} & \xleftarrow{\quad} & X_r \\ \downarrow \delta & & \downarrow \delta_1 & & & & \downarrow \delta_{r-1} & & \downarrow \delta_r \\ V & \xleftarrow{\quad} & V_1 & \xleftarrow{\quad} & \dots & \xleftarrow{\quad} & V_{r-1} & \xleftarrow{\quad} & V_r, \end{array}$$

where all vertical morphisms are finite, and

$$(0.1.3) \quad F_n(X_i) \cong \delta_i(F_n(X_i)) \text{ for } i = 1, \dots, r.$$

Theorem 0.2. *Let $\delta : X \rightarrow V$ be a finite and dominant morphism, say of generic rank n , between affine varieties field of characteristic $p \geq 0$, where V is regular. If p does not divide n , one can attach to $\delta : X \rightarrow V$ a pair (K, b) on the regular variety V so that*

- (1) $\text{Sing}(K, b) = \delta(F_n(X))$.
- (2) For any sequence (0.1.1), the lower row of (0.1.2) induces

$$(0.2.1) \quad \begin{array}{ccccccc} V = V_0 & \xleftarrow{\pi_1} & V_1 & \xleftarrow{\pi_2} & \dots & \xleftarrow{\pi_r} & V_r \\ (K, b) & & (K_1, b) & & \dots & & (K_n, b) \end{array}$$

$$(0.2.2) \quad \text{Sing}(K_i, b) = \delta_i(F_n(X_i)) \subset V_i \text{ for } i = 1, \dots, r + 1.$$

- (3) Conversely, any sequence (0.2.1) induces a sequence (0.1.2) and the equalities in (0.2.2) hold.

Corollary 0.3. *A resolution of (K, b) over V defines a reduction of the multiplicity of X .*

The case $\delta : X \rightarrow V$ defined by $S \subset B = S[Z]/\langle Z^n + a_1 Z^{n-1} + \dots + a_n \rangle$, and the Tschirnhausen pair of a monic polynomial.

Set $Z_1 = Z - \lambda$, $\lambda \in S$ then $Z^n + a_1 Z^{n-1} + \dots + a_n = Z_1^n + b_1 Z_1^{n-1} + \dots + b_{n-1} Z_1 + b_n$

$$G(a_1, \dots, a_n) = G(b_1, \dots, b_n)$$

$$(0.3.1) \quad \delta(F_n(X)) = \bigcap_{1 \leq j \leq r} \{x \in \text{Spec}(S) : \nu_x(G_{m_j}(a_1, \dots, a_n)) \geq m_j\},$$

$$S[G_{m_1}(a_1, \dots, a_n)W^{m_1}, \dots, G_{m_r}(a_1, \dots, a_n)W^{m_r}] (\subset S[W])$$

$$\text{Sing}(G) = \delta(F_n(X)).$$

If b is a multiple of m_i of all $i = 1, 2, \dots, r$, then

$$K = \langle G_{m_i}^{\frac{b}{m_i}}(a_1, \dots, a_n), i = 1, \dots, r \rangle$$

$$\delta(F_n(X)) = \text{Sing}(K, b)$$

Proposition 0.4. Fix $S \subset B$ in the class \mathcal{T} , and let K denote the fraction field of S . Given $\theta \in B$ ($\subset B \otimes_S K$), let $f(Z) \in K[Z]$ denote its minimal polynomial, that is, the monic polynomial of lowest degree in $K[Z]$ such that $f(\theta) = 0$ ($\in B \otimes_S K$). Then $f(Z) \in S[Z]$ and the evaluation map $S[Z] \rightarrow S[\theta] (\subset B \otimes_S K)$ induces an isomorphism $S[\theta] \cong S[Z]/\langle f(Z) \rangle$.

Proof. $f(Z) \in S[Z]$ follows essentially from the fact that S is normal. Set

$$0 \rightarrow J \rightarrow S[Z] \rightarrow S[\theta] \rightarrow 0$$

where J is the kernel of the morphism $S[Z] \rightarrow S[\theta]$ given by evaluation at θ . Its kernel includes $\langle f(Z) \rangle$. If $g(Z)$ is any other element in the kernel, the division algorithm in $S[Z]$ shows that $f(Z)$ divides $g(Z)$ in $S[Z]$, that is, $g(Z) \in \langle f \rangle$. Thus, $S[\theta] = S[Z]/\langle f(Z) \rangle$. \circlearrowright

Recall Zariski's criterion: $S \subset B$ generic rank n . Fix P prime in B , and $\mathfrak{p} = P \cap S$. The following are equivalent:

- a) $P \in F_n(B)$.
- b)
 - b1) P is unique dominating \mathfrak{p} .
 - b2) $S_{\mathfrak{p}}/\mathfrak{p}S_{\mathfrak{p}} = B_P/PB_P$
 - b3) $\mathfrak{p}B_P \subset PB_P$ is integral.

Given $f(Z)$ monic of degree n , $S \subset B = S[Z]/\langle f(Z) \rangle$ $\rho : S[Z] \rightarrow B \rightarrow 0$ and fix $P \in F_n(B)$, after localizing S at \mathfrak{p} :

$$\rho^{-1}(P) = \langle Z - \lambda, \mathfrak{p}S[Z] \rangle$$

in $S[Z]$. Moreover, setting $T = Z - \lambda$, then

$$f(Z) = g(T) = T^n + b_1T^{n-1} + \dots + b_{n-1}T + b_n$$

and $\nu_{\mathfrak{p}}(b_i) \geq i$.

In particular

- (1) P is the ideal $\langle \mathfrak{p}B, \Theta - \lambda \rangle$ in B , and $\Theta - \lambda$ is in the integral closure of $\mathfrak{p}B$.
- (2) $k(\mathfrak{p}) \otimes_S B = k(\mathfrak{p})[Z]/\langle Z - \bar{\lambda} \rangle^n$.

Proposition 0.5. Let $S \subset B = S[\Theta_1, \dots, \Theta_m]$ be a morphism in the class \mathcal{T} , of generic rank n . Consider intermediate subrings $S \subset B_i = S[\Theta_i] (\subset B)$, $i = 1, \dots, m$, of generic rank d_i , such that $B = B_1B_2 \dots B_m$, and let $\delta : \text{Spec}(B) \rightarrow \text{Spec}(S)$ and $\delta_i : \text{Spec}(B_i) \rightarrow \text{Spec}(S)$ denote the respective induced morphisms. Then

$$\delta(F_n(B)) = \bigcap_{i=1}^m \delta_i(F_{d_i}(B_i)).$$

In particular, if δ is transversal, each δ_i is also transversal.

Proof. 1) $\delta(F_n(B)) \subset \bigcap_{i=1}^m \delta_i(F_{d_i}(B_i))$.

2) $\delta(F_n(B)) \supset \bigcap_{i=1}^m \delta_i(F_{d_i}(B_i))$.

We analyze $C := B_1 \otimes \cdots \otimes_S B_m$ over a prime $p \in \bigcap_{i=1}^m \delta_i(F_{d_i}(B_i))$.

i) Set $k(p) = S_p/pS_p$

$$\begin{aligned} C \otimes_S k(p) &= (B_1 \otimes_S B_2 \otimes \cdots \otimes_S B_m) \otimes_S k(p) = (B_1 \otimes_S k(p)) \otimes (B_2 \otimes_S k(p)) \cdots (B_m \otimes_S k(p)) = \\ &= k(\mathfrak{p})[Z_1]/\langle Z_1 - \bar{\lambda}_1 \rangle^{d_1} \otimes \cdots \otimes k(\mathfrak{p})[Z_m]/\langle Z_m - \bar{\lambda}_m \rangle^{d_m} = k(\mathfrak{p})[Z_1, \dots, Z_m]/\langle (Z_1 - \bar{\lambda}_1)^{d_1}, \dots, (Z_m - \bar{\lambda}_m)^{d_m} \rangle \\ &\quad (k(p) \text{ rational local ring}). \end{aligned}$$

ii) Let P be the unique prime in C over p . There is $S[Z_1, \dots, Z_m] \rightarrow C \rightarrow 0$ and P is in correspondence with $\langle \mathfrak{p}, Z_1 - \lambda_1, \dots, Z_m - \lambda_m \rangle$, so

$$P = \langle \mathfrak{p}C, \Theta_1 - \lambda_1, \dots, \Theta_m - \lambda_m \rangle \text{ and } \Theta_i - \lambda_i \text{ integral over } \mathfrak{p}C.$$

Setting $T_i = Z_i - \lambda_i$, then

$$f_i(Z_i) = g_i(T_i) = T_i^{d_i} + b_1 T_i^{d_i-1} + \cdots + b_{d_i-1} T_i + b_{d_i}$$

and $\nu_{\mathfrak{p}}(b_i) \geq i$.

iii) Finally as $C \rightarrow B$ is surjective: there is a unique prime Q of B over p , and Q is rational and integral over pB .

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0.6. Proof of Prop 0.1.

Fix an extension $S \subset B$ in the class \mathcal{T} , of generic rank n , and an epimorphism of S -algebras

$$\rho: S[Z_1, \dots, Z_m] \rightarrow B \rightarrow 0$$

where m is an integer and Z_1, \dots, Z_m are variables over S .

Set $\theta_i := \rho(Z_i)$ so

$$S \subset B = S[\theta_1, \dots, \theta_m],$$

and $B_i := S[\theta_i] \subset B$ and

Let

$$f_i(Z_i) \in S[Z_i]$$

be the minimal polynomial of θ_i so $B_i \cong S[Z_i]/\langle f_i(Z_i) \rangle$ (Proposition 0.4).

Proposition 0.7. (Recall) Fix $S \subset B$ in the class \mathcal{T} , of generic rank n . If $\delta: \text{Spec}(B) \rightarrow \text{Spec}(S)$ is transversal, then:

- (1) An irreducible scheme $Y \subset F_n(B)$ is regular if and only if $\delta(Y)$ is regular.
- (2) In the previous setting the induced finite morphism $\delta: Y \rightarrow \delta(Y)$ is an isomorphism of affine schemes.

Proposition 0.8. Set $S \subset B = S[\theta_1, \dots, \theta_m]$, and $\rho: S[Z_1, \dots, Z_m] \rightarrow B \rightarrow 0$ as before,

$$f_i(Z_i) \in S[Z_i]$$

be the minimal polynomial of θ_i . Let Q be a prime ideal of B such that $Q \in F_n(B)$ and B/Q is regular, and set $\mathfrak{p} = Q \cap S$. Then there are elements $\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_m \in S$ such that the following hold.

- (1) $\rho^{-1}(Q) = \langle \mathfrak{p}S[Z_1, \dots, Z_m], Z_1 - \lambda_1, \dots, Z_m - \lambda_m \rangle$ and $Q = \langle \mathfrak{p}B, \theta_1 - \lambda_1, \dots, \theta_m - \lambda_m \rangle$.
- (2) The expression of $f_i(Z_i)$ at $T_i = Z_i - \lambda_i$ is of the form

$$f_i(Z_i) = h_i(T_i) = T_i^{d_i} + a_1^{(i)} T_i^{d_i-1} + \cdots + a_{d_i-1}^{(i)} T_i + a_{d_i}^{(i)}, \quad a_j^{(i)} \in \mathfrak{p}^j,$$

where $T_i = Z_i - \lambda_i$, and $h_i(T_i) \in S[T_i]$ is the minimal polynomial of $\theta_i - \lambda_i$.

Proof. (1) Follows from $\rho : S[Z_1, \dots, Z_m] \rightarrow B \rightarrow 0$. Note that $\rho^{-1}(Q)$ in (1) is a regular prime.

(2) Given $Q \in F_n(B)$ as above, we set $Q_i := Q \cap B_i$.

By Prop 0.4 $S[\theta_i] = S[Z]/\langle f_i(Z) \rangle$, $f_i(Z)$ monic of degree, say d_i .

Applying Prop 0.5: $Q_i \in F_{d_i}(S[\theta_i])$, and therefore, there is $\lambda_i \in S$ so that setting $T_i = Z_i - \lambda_i$

$$f_i(Z_i) = h_i(T_i) = T_i^{d_i} + a_1^{(i)} T_i^{d_i-1} + \dots + a_{d_i-1}^{(i)} T_i + a_{d_i}^{(i)}, \quad a_j^{(i)} \in \mathfrak{p}^j,$$

where $T_i = Z_i - \lambda_i$, and $h_i(T_i) \in S[T_i]$ is the minimal polynomial of $\theta_i - \lambda_i$. ◻

Corollary 0.9. $S[\mathfrak{p}W] \subset B[QW]$ is a finite extension of Rees rings, in fact:

$$S[\mathfrak{p}W] \subset B[\mathfrak{p}BW] \subset B[\mathfrak{p}BW, (\theta_1 - \lambda_1)W, \dots, (\theta_M - \lambda_M)W]$$

are all finite. In particular there is a square diagram of blow ups:

$$(0.9.1) \quad \begin{array}{ccc} \text{Spec}(B) & \longleftarrow & X_1 \\ \delta \downarrow & & \downarrow \delta_1 \\ \text{Spec}(S) & \longleftarrow & V_1 \end{array}$$

Point (1) of the last Prop implies that $Q = \langle \mathfrak{p}B, \theta_1 - \lambda_1, \dots, \theta_m - \lambda_m \rangle$, and each $\theta_i - \lambda_i$ satisfies the equation $h_i(\theta_i - \lambda_i) = 0$, which is an equation of integral dependence over $\mathfrak{p}B$. Thus, Q is integral over $\mathfrak{p}B$.

Corollary 0.10. The setting and notation being as in Proposition 0.8, let x_1, \dots, x_r be generators for \mathfrak{q} in S , and set

$$S_t := S \left[\frac{x_1}{x_t}, \dots, \frac{x_r}{x_t} \right] \subset K,$$

where K is the fraction field of S , so that if $\text{Spec}(S) \xleftarrow{\pi'} V_1$ is the blow-up of $\text{Spec}(S)$ at $V(\mathfrak{p})$. V_1 is covered by the affine charts $\text{Spec}(S_t)$, $t = 1, \dots, r$.

(1) If $\text{Spec}(B) \xleftarrow{\pi} X_1$ is the blow-up of $\text{Spec}(B)$ at $V(Q)$, then X_1 is obtained by glueing in the natural way the spectrum of the following subrings of $B \otimes_S K$:

$$S_t \left[\frac{\theta_1 - \lambda_1}{x_t}, \dots, \frac{\theta_m - \lambda_m}{x_t} \right] \subset B_{x_t} \subset B \otimes_S K.$$

(2) Each extension $S_t \subset S_t \left[\frac{\theta_1 - \lambda_1}{x_t}, \dots, \frac{\theta_m - \lambda_m}{x_t} \right]$ belongs to the class \mathcal{T} , and the minimal polynomial of $\frac{\theta_i - \lambda_i}{x_t}$ is

$$h_i^{(t)} \left(\frac{T_i}{x_t} \right) := \left(\frac{T_i}{x_t} \right)^{d_i} + \frac{a_1^{(i)}}{x_t} \left(\frac{T_i}{x_t} \right)^{d_i-1} + \dots + \frac{a_{d_i-1}^{(i)}}{x_t^{d_i-1}} \frac{T_i}{x_t} + \frac{a_{d_i}^{(i)}}{x_t^{d_i}} \in S_t \left[\frac{T_i}{x_t} \right].$$

(3) The morphisms of affine schemes induced by the extensions $S_t \subset S_t \left[\frac{\theta_1 - \lambda_1}{x_t}, \dots, \frac{\theta_m - \lambda_m}{x_t} \right]$ glue together into a finite and dominant morphism $\delta_1 : X_1 \rightarrow V_1$, and the following diagram is commutative. Moreover, δ_1 is the unique morphism from X_1 to V_1 making the diagram

$$(0.10.1) \quad \begin{array}{ccc} \text{Spec}(B) & \longleftarrow & X_1 \\ \delta \downarrow & & \downarrow \delta_1 \\ \text{Spec}(S) & \longleftarrow & V_1 \end{array}$$

commutative.

- (4) For each t , the ring $S_t[\frac{Z_1-\lambda_1}{x_t}, \dots, \frac{Z_m-\lambda_m}{x_t}] \subset K[Z_1, \dots, Z_m]$ is a polynomial ring and the K -epimorphism $K[Z_1, \dots, Z_m] \rightarrow B \otimes_S K$ given by evaluating Z_i at θ_i induces an S_t -epimorphism

$$\rho_t : S_t \left[\frac{Z_1 - \lambda_1}{x_t}, \dots, \frac{Z_m - \lambda_m}{x_t} \right] \rightarrow S_t \left[\frac{\theta_1 - \lambda_1}{x_t}, \dots, \frac{\theta_m - \lambda_m}{x_t} \right].$$

Proof of Theorem 0.2.

Proposition 0.11. (Recall) Let $S \subset B$ be a morphism in the class \mathcal{T} of generic rank n . Consider intermediate subrings $S \subset B_i \subset B$ of generic rank d_i , $i = 1, \dots, m$, such that $B = B_1 B_2 \dots B_m$, and let $\delta : \text{Spec}(B) \rightarrow \text{Spec}(S)$ and $\delta_i : \text{Spec}(B_i) \rightarrow \text{Spec}(S)$ denote the respective induced morphisms. Then

$$\delta(F_n(B)) = \bigcap_{i=1}^m \delta_i(F_{d_i}(B_i)).$$

In particular, if δ is transversal, each δ_i is also transversal.

Set $B = S[\Theta_1, \dots, \Theta_m]$. For each $1 \leq j \leq m$, set $S \subset B_j = S[\Theta_j]$ of generic rank d_j . There is a pair, say $(K^{(j)}, b_j)$ over $\text{Spec}(S)$ representing the image of points of multiplicity d_i .

$$\delta(F_n(B)) = \bigcap_i \delta_i(F_{d_i}(S[\Theta_i])) = \bigcap \text{Sing}(K^{(i)}, b_i)$$

Given

(0.11.1)

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \text{Spec}(B) & \longleftarrow & X_1 \\ \delta \downarrow & & \downarrow \delta_1 \\ \text{Spec}(S) & \longleftarrow & V_1 \end{array}$$

$$\delta(F_n(X_1)) = \bigcap \text{Sing}(K_1^{(i)}, b_i)$$

0.12. Given $\delta : X \rightarrow V$ by $S \subset B$ be a morphism in the class \mathcal{T} , of generic rank n , for any sequence

(0.12.1)

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc} X = X_0 & \xleftarrow{\pi_1} & X_1 & \xleftarrow{\pi_2} & \dots & \xleftarrow{\pi_r} & X_r \\ F_n(X_0) & & F_n(X_1) & & \dots & & F_n(X_r) \end{array}$$

where $X_i \leftarrow X_{i+1}$ is the blow-up at a regular center $Y_i \subset F_n(X_i)$, one has $n = n(X) = n(X_1) = \dots = n(X_{r-1}) \geq n(X_r)$, and (0.12.1) induces

(0.12.2)

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc} X & \longleftarrow & X_1 & \longleftarrow & \dots & \longleftarrow & X_{r-1} & \longleftarrow & X_r \\ \downarrow \delta & & \downarrow \delta_1 & & & & \downarrow \delta_{r-1} & & \downarrow \delta_r \\ V & \longleftarrow & V_1 & \longleftarrow & \dots & \longleftarrow & V_{r-1} & \longleftarrow & V_r, \end{array}$$

where all vertical morphisms are finite, and

(0.12.3)

$$F_n(X_i) \cong \delta_i(F_n(X_i)) \text{ for } i = 1, \dots, r.$$

Theorem 0.13. Let $\delta : X \rightarrow V$ be a finite and dominant morphism, say of generic rank n , between affine varieties field of characteristic $p \geq 0$, where V is regular. If p does not divide n , one can attach to $\delta : X \rightarrow V$ a pair (K, b) on the regular variety V so that

- (1) $\text{Sing}(K, b) = \beta(F_n(X))$.

(2) For any sequence (0.12.1), the lower row of (0.12.2) induces

$$(0.13.1) \quad \begin{array}{ccccccc} V = V_0 & \xleftarrow{\pi_1} & V_1 & \xleftarrow{\pi_2} & \dots & \xleftarrow{\pi_r} & V_r \\ (K, b) & & (K_1, b) & & \dots & & (K_r, b) \end{array}$$

$$(0.13.2) \quad \text{Sing}(K_i, m) = \beta_i(F_n(X_i)) \subset V_i \text{ for } i = 1, \dots, r + 1.$$

(3) Conversely, any sequence (0.13.1) induces a sequence (0.12.2) and the equalities in (0.13.2) hold.

Corollary 0.14. A resolution of (K, b) over V defines a reduction of the multiplicity of X .

Proof. Of the Theorem. Recall that for each $1 \leq j \leq m$, set $S \subset B_j = S[\Theta_j]$ of generic rank d_j . There is a pair, say $(K^{(j)}, D_j)$ over $\text{Spec}(S)$ representing the image of points of multiplicity d_i .

Take

$$(K, b) = \cap_{i=1, \dots, m} (K^{(i)}, b_i)$$

As for (4) recall that it holds for the hypersurface case (i.e., for each $(K^{(i)}, b_i)$ over $\text{Spec}(S)$).