## Asymptotically Locally Euclidean Kähler manifolds

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Remarks:

- Given an asymptotic behavior the diffeotype of the ALE Ricci flat Kähler manifold is unique.
- the order of the decay of the metric is  $O(r^{-4})$ .
- If Γ cyclic, in each Kähler class there exists also an Asymptotically Locally Flat (ALF) Ricci-flat Kähler metric, which has cubic volume growth. (Hawking, Cherkis-Hitchin, S.)

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# $\mathbb Q\text{-}\mathsf{Gorenstein}$ smoothings of quotient singularities

## Definition

A flat surjective map  $\pi : \mathcal{X} \to \Delta$ , where  $\Delta \subset \mathbb{C}$  is an open neighborhood of 0, is called a **one-parameter**  $\mathbb{Q}$ -**Gorenstein smoothing** of a normal variety  $X_0$  if  $\pi^{-1}(0) = X_0$  and the following conditions are satisfied:

- i)  $\mathcal{X}$  is  $\mathbb{Q}$ -Gorenstein,
- ii)  $X_t = \pi^{-1}(t)$  is smooth for every  $t \in \Delta \setminus \{0\}$ .

 $\underline{\mathbb{Q}}-\text{Gorenstein}$ :  $\mathcal X$  is normal, Cohen-Macaulay and a multiple of the canonical divisor is Cartier.

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# Kollár and Shepherd-Barron's classification

#### Theorem (Kollár and Shepherd-Barron, 1988)

An isolated quotient surface singularity  $(N_0 = \mathbb{C}^2/\Gamma, 0)$  which admits a one-parameter  $\mathbb{Q}$ -Gorenstein smoothing is either a rational double point or a cyclic singularity of type  $\mathbb{C}^2/\frac{1}{dn^2}(1, dnm - 1)$  for  $d > 0, n \ge 2$  and n, m relatively prime.

## Rational double points

- Rational double points correspond to the case when Γ ⊂ SU(2). They are singularities of type A<sub>k</sub>, D<sub>k</sub> or E<sub>6</sub>, E<sub>7</sub>, E<sub>8</sub>. All of them are isolated hypersurface singularities (f(x, y, z) = 0), where f ∈ ℂ[x, y, z].
- The total space  $\mathcal{X} \to \Delta$  is smooth.
- The minimal resolution and the generic fiber of a deformation are diffeomorphic, but endowed with distinct complex structures. In particular the deformation X<sub>t</sub> is simply connected.
- A complex complex structure on these spaces is given by a mixed construction: a Q-Gorenstein deformation, possibly with isolated rational double points which can be resolve by considering the minimal resolutions. The singular fiber is the canonical model of the manifold.

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Then,  $N_0 = M_0/\mathbb{Z}_n$ , where  $\mathbb{Z}_n$  acts on  $\mathbb{C}^3$  as follows:

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A complex analysis approach

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# ALE Ricci flat Kähler manifolds of dimension $n \ge 3$

Given an ALE Ricci flat Kähler manifolds (M, J, g) of dimension  $\dim_{\mathbb{C}} M = n \ge 3$ , then:

- (M, J) is a crepant resolution of C<sup>n</sup>/Γ with Γ ⊂ SU(n) acting freely on C<sup>n</sup> \ {0}, consequence of Schlessinger's Rigidity Theorem and K<sub>M</sub> =trivial
- on (*M*, *J*) there exists a unique ALE Ricci flat Kähler metric in each Kähler class, by Joyce.
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General setting of ALE Kähler manifolds.

**Open Questions:** 

Can we classify the ALE Kähler manifolds?

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