

# Kempf-Ness Theorem thru geometric Quantization

## Prelude: Grps act Twice

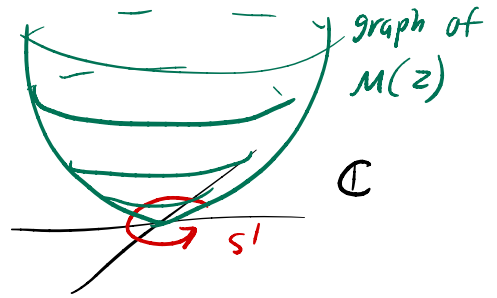
consider the perennial example of hamiltonian group actions,  $S^1 \curvearrowright \mathbb{C}^n$

$(\mathbb{C}, dz_1 d\bar{z}_1)$  is a symplectic manifold

$$S^1 \curvearrowright \mathbb{C} \text{ defined by } e^{i\theta} \cdot z = e^{i\theta} z$$

generated by hamiltonian vector field  $X_M = (-Y, X)$

$$\text{w/ "moment map" } M(z) = \frac{1}{2} |z|^2$$



likewise,  $S^1 \curvearrowright \mathbb{C}^2$  via  $e^{i\theta} \cdot (z_1, z_2) = (e^{i\theta} z_1, e^{i\theta} z_2)$  has moment map  $M(z_1, z_2) = \frac{1}{2} |z_1|^2 + \frac{1}{2} |z_2|^2$

We want to take the quotient  $\mathbb{C}^2/S^1$ . But this has no symplectic structure, not even infinitesimally.

$T(\mathbb{C}^2/S^1) = T\mathbb{C}^2/X_M$  cannot be a symplectic vector space

on symplectic spaces, directions are paired:  $\omega = (dx_1 \wedge dy_1) + (dx_2 \wedge dy_2)$ ,

w/ pairing induced by the almost complex structure  $J = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ -1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$

Motto:  
In Symplectic Geometry,  
Grps act twice

Instead, want  $T\mathbb{C}^2 / \langle X_M, JX_M \rangle$ : This does have an induced symplectic structure

note  $JX_M = \nabla M$ , so  $T\mathbb{C}^2/JX_M = \ker dM \Rightarrow T\mathbb{C}^2 / \langle X_M, JX_M \rangle = \ker dM / X_M$

To globalize this construction, define  $\mathbb{C}^2 // S^1 = M^{-1}(c) / S^1$  symplectic reduction  $T(\mathbb{C}^2 // S^1)$

$$\mathbb{C}^2 // S^1 = S^3 // S^1 = \mathbb{C}P^1, \text{ w/ fubini-study form}$$

Alternatively:  $\mathbb{C}P^1 = \mathbb{C}^2 - \{0\} / \mathbb{C}^*$  where action of  $\mathbb{C}^*$  defined by  $\langle X_M, JX_M \rangle$

We encode the paired directions of the action of  $G$  w/ the action of the complexification  $G_{\mathbb{C}}!$

$G \curvearrowright (X, \omega)$  is hamiltonian if it has a moment map  $\mu: X \rightarrow \text{Lie}(G)^* = \mathfrak{g}^*$ : i.e.,

• action of  $G$  on  $X$  generated by  $V_{\xi} \in T(TX)$  for  $\xi \in \mathfrak{g}$ , &  $\omega(V_{\xi}, \cdot) = d\langle \mu(x), \xi \rangle$

•  $\mu$  is equivariant wrt coadjoint action  $G \curvearrowright \mathfrak{g}^*$ :  $\mu_* V_{\xi} = \text{Ad}^*_{\xi}$ ,  $\text{ad}^*_{\xi} \langle \cdot, \sigma \rangle := \langle \cdot, [\xi, \sigma] \rangle$

then  $X // G := M^{-1}(0) / G$  is a symplectic manifold assume  $G \curvearrowright M^{-1}(0)$  freely

for  $X$  kahler, with  $G \curvearrowright X$  preserving the complex structure, we have

**Kempf-Ness Theorem (1979)**  $X // G = X^{ss} / G_{\mathbb{C}} := X // G_{\mathbb{C}}$  where  $X^{ss} \subset X$  open dense set of "GIT semi-stable pts", up to equivalence, which I will define later

"symplectic reduction" = GIT Quotient

Kempf-Ness, like all the best theorems, is a motto: something you expect to hold in any setting where it can be stated. It suggests dual symplectic geometry & complex geometry perspectives, extending the Compact Group / complex group perspectives on Lie theory

Today I will tell you about a different motto:

**Guilleman-Sternberg Conjecture (1982)**:  $(X//G)_{\text{Quantum}} = (X_{\text{Quantum}})^G$  "Quantization commutes with reduction" shortened in paper titles to "[Q,R]=0"

and convince you that these two mottos are the same. They were proven at the ~same time, in different settings, with analogous arguments.

## Part I: Geometric Quantization

Classical phase space  $(X, \omega)$   $\xrightarrow{\text{Quantization}}$  Quantum state space  $X_{\text{Quantum}}$   
 symplectic manifold  $(X, \omega)$   $\xrightarrow{\text{Quantization}}$  hilbert space  $X_{\text{Quantum}}$

For any Quantization procedure:

- the vectors in  $X_{\text{Quantum}}$  represent "wavefunctions" living over  $(X, \omega)$
- a  $G$ -action  $G \curvearrowright (X, \omega)$  preserving  $\omega \iff$  a linear  $G$ -action  $G \curvearrowright X_{\text{Quantum}}$  "functoriality"

Guilleman-Sternberg conjecture:

Reduced Classical phase space  $X//G = M^i(G)/G$   $\xrightarrow{\text{Quantization}}$  Reduced Quantum state space  $(X_{\text{Quantum}})^G = G$ -fixed vectors in  $X_{\text{Quantum}}$   
 $(X//G)_{\text{Quantum}} = (X_{\text{Quantum}})^G$

Proven in 1982 for Kahler Quantization:  $(X, \omega, J)$  Kahler manifold

Let  $L \rightarrow X$  be the Prequantum line bundle:

- $L$  holo. line bundle,  $\langle \rangle$  hermitian metric w/ curvature equal to kahler form  $\omega$
- $X_{\text{Quantum}} = H^0(X, L)$  holo. sections of prequantum line bundle

say  $G \curvearrowright X$  preserves  $\omega$  &  $J$ : Then  $X//G$  is also Kahler

define reduced prequantum bundle as  $L//G$  where  $\Gamma(X//G, L//G) = \Gamma(M^i(G), L)^G$   
 $X//G = X_0/G$  sections are  $G$ -invariant sections on  $X_0$

$\Rightarrow (X//G)_{\text{Quantum}} = H^0(X//G, L//G)$

$L//G$  carries induced holomorphic & hermitian structure

# Action of $G$ on $H^0(X, L)$ :

We describe this infinitesimally, via an action of  $\mathfrak{g}$  on  $\Gamma(X, L)$   
 each  $\xi \in \mathfrak{g}$ , defines a differential operator  $\mathcal{O}_\xi: \Gamma(X, L) \rightarrow \Gamma(X, L)$ , satisfying  $[\mathcal{O}_\xi, \mathcal{O}_\sigma] = \mathcal{O}_{[\xi, \sigma]}$

first guess:  $\mathcal{O}_\xi \stackrel{?}{=} \nabla_{V_\xi}: \Gamma(X, L) \rightarrow \Gamma(X, L)$  definition of curvature

fails commutation relation:  $[\nabla_{V_\xi}, \nabla_{V_\sigma}] = \nabla_{[V_\xi, V_\sigma]} - i\omega(V_\xi, V_\sigma) \neq \nabla_{[V_\xi, V_\sigma]}$

Correction:  $\mathcal{O}_\xi s = (\nabla_{V_\xi} + i\langle M, \xi \rangle) s$  for  $s \in \Gamma(X, L)$

$$[\mathcal{O}_\xi, \mathcal{O}_\sigma] = [\nabla_{V_\xi}, \nabla_{V_\sigma}] + i[\nabla_{V_\xi}, \langle M, \sigma \rangle] - i[\nabla_{V_\sigma}, \langle M, \xi \rangle] \quad [ \nabla_{V_\xi}, f ] s = (\nabla_{V_\xi} f) s = df(V_\xi) \cdot s$$

definition of curvature:  $= \nabla_{[V_\xi, V_\sigma]} - i\omega(V_\xi, V_\sigma) + i d\langle M, \sigma \rangle(V_\xi) - i d\langle M, \xi \rangle(V_\sigma)$  evaluating commutator

$$= \nabla_{[V_\xi, V_\sigma]} + i V_\xi \langle M(x), \sigma \rangle$$
 rearrange & recombine moment map terms

$$= \nabla_{[V_\xi, V_\sigma]} + i M^* (M_\# V_\xi (\langle \cdot, \sigma \rangle))$$
 push forward to  $\mathfrak{g}^*$

$$= \nabla_{[V_\xi, V_\sigma]} + i \langle M(x), [\xi, \sigma] \rangle$$
 equivariance of  $M$

$$= \mathcal{O}_{[\xi, \sigma]} \quad \checkmark$$

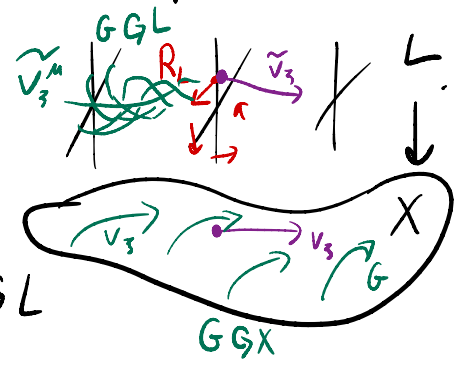
More conceptually:  $\mathcal{O}_\xi$  comes from a vector field  $\tilde{V}_\xi^M$  on the total space of  $L$

let  $v_\xi^H$  be the horizontal lift of  $v_\xi$  relative to  $\nabla$ .

let  $R_L$  be the generator of the  $S^1$  action rotating the fibers of  $L$

$$\text{Then } \tilde{V}_\xi^M = v_\xi^H + \langle M, \xi \rangle R_L$$

for  $G$  simply connected,  $\tilde{V}_\xi^M$  integrates to an action  $G \curvearrowright L$   
 & hence to an action on sections  $G \curvearrowright \Gamma(X, L)$



Fact: if  $\bar{\partial} s = 0$ , then  $\bar{\partial} \mathcal{O}_\xi s = 0$ .

So,  $\mathcal{O}_\xi$  defines a representation  $\mathcal{O}_\bullet: \mathfrak{g} \rightarrow \text{End}(H^0(X, L))$

Since  $G$  simply connected,  $\mathcal{O}_\bullet$  integrates to a representation  $G \curvearrowright H^0(X, L)$   
 every  $G$ -invariant section  $s \in H^0(X, L)$  restricts to a  $G$  invariant section over  $\nu^{-1}(0)$

so  $s$  descends to a holomorphic section  $s//G \in H^0(X//G, L//G)$

this defines a map  $H^0(X, L)^G \rightarrow H^0(X//G, L//G)$  Thm (Guillemin-Sternberg):  
 $(X_{\text{Quantum}})^G \rightarrow (X//G)_{\text{Quantum}}$  this is a bijection  
 $s \mapsto s//G$   $H^0(X, L)^G \cong H^0(X//G, L//G)$

Example:  $(X, \omega) = (\mathbb{C}, dz \wedge d\bar{z})$ , prequantum line bundle  $L = \mathbb{C} \times \mathbb{C}$  has hermitian metric  $\langle s_1, s_2 \rangle(z) = s_1 \bar{s}_2 e^{-|z|^2/2}$

$S^1 \curvearrowright \mathbb{C}$  defined by  $e^{i\theta} \cdot z = e^{i\theta} z$ , moment map  $M(z) = \frac{1}{2}|z|^2$

$S^1$  action on  $\Gamma(\mathbb{C}, L)$  generated by  $\mathcal{O}_1 s = \nabla_{X_M} s + iM s$

choose trivialization  $e(z) = 1$  of  $L$ . In these coords,  $\nabla = d + \omega$

$\omega = \partial \log |e|^2 = \partial \log e^{-|z|^2/2} = -\partial M$  The Chern connection happens to involve the moment map in this case

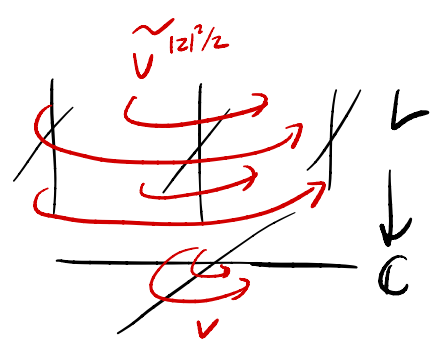
So  $\nabla_{X_M} s = ds(X_M) + \partial M(X_M) \cdot s$ . To apply moment map condition to  $\partial M$ , write  $\partial$  using  $d = \partial + \bar{\partial}$  and  $-iJd = \partial - \bar{\partial}$ , w/  $Jd\mu(v) = d\mu(Jv)$

$$\begin{aligned} \partial M(X_M) &= \frac{1}{2}(d\mu(X_M) - i d\mu(JX_M)) \\ &= \frac{1}{2}(\omega(X_M, X_M) - i\omega(X_M, JX_M)) \\ &= \frac{-i}{2}|JX_M|^2 = \frac{-i}{2}|\nabla M|^2 \\ &= \frac{-i}{2}(|\nabla \frac{1}{2}(x^2+y^2)|^2) = \frac{-i}{2}(|x\partial_x + y\partial_y|^2) = \frac{-i}{2}(x^2+y^2) = -iM \end{aligned}$$

moment map condition  
use compatible metric

$\Rightarrow \mathcal{O}_1 s = ds(X_M) + \partial M(X_M) s + iM s = X_M(s)$

associated to vector field  $\tilde{v}^{|z|^2/2} = (X_M, 0)$  on  $L = \mathbb{C} \times \mathbb{C}$



$S^1$  action  $e^{i\theta} \cdot s(z) = s(e^{i\theta} z)$

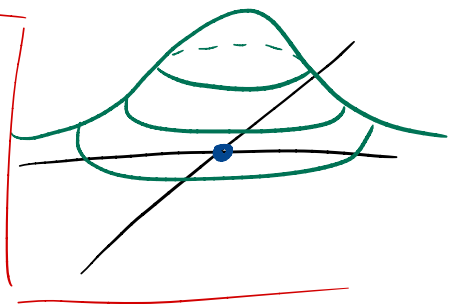
$H^0(\mathbb{C}, L)^{S^1}$  consists of rotation-invariant holomorphic functions: The only such function is  $s(z) = a, a \in \mathbb{C}$   $\dim H^0(\mathbb{C}, L)^{S^1} = 0$  graph of  $|s|^2 = e^{-|z|^2}$ :

suppose instead we used  $M(z) = \frac{1}{2}|z|^2 + k, k \in \mathbb{Z}$

Then  $\mathcal{O}_1 s = \nabla_{X_M} s + i\frac{|z|^2}{2}s + iks = X_M(s) + iks$   $\tilde{v}^{|z|^2/2+k} = (X_M, kR_L)$

Then  $S^1$  action is  $e^{i\theta} \cdot s(z) = e^{ik\theta} s(e^{i\theta} z)$

$k \geq 0 \Rightarrow$  invariant holomorphic sections are  $s(z) = az^k$   
 $k < 0 \Rightarrow$  no invariant holo sections

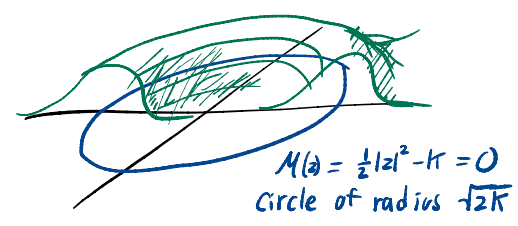


Graph of  $|z^k|^2 = |z|^{2k} e^{-|z|^2}$

To see  $s(x)$ , we graph their norm  $|s|^2$

- wrt hermitian metric  $e^{-|z|^2}$ , polynomials are localized!

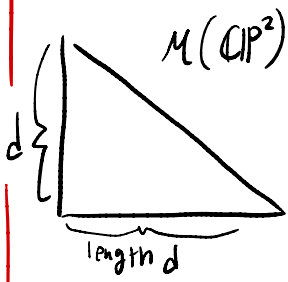
- invariant holo functions concentrate around zeros of moment map



Example:  $(\mathbb{C}P^2, d\omega_{FS})$  with  $L = \mathcal{O}(d)$   $d \in \mathbb{N}$

$\mathbb{C}P^2$  admits  $U(1)^2$  action  $(e^{i\theta_1}, e^{i\theta_2}) \cdot [z_0 : z_1 : z_2] = [z_0 : e^{i\theta_1} z_1 : e^{i\theta_2} z_2]$

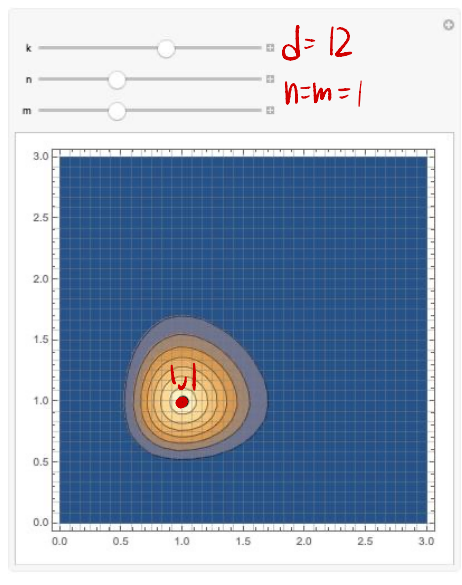
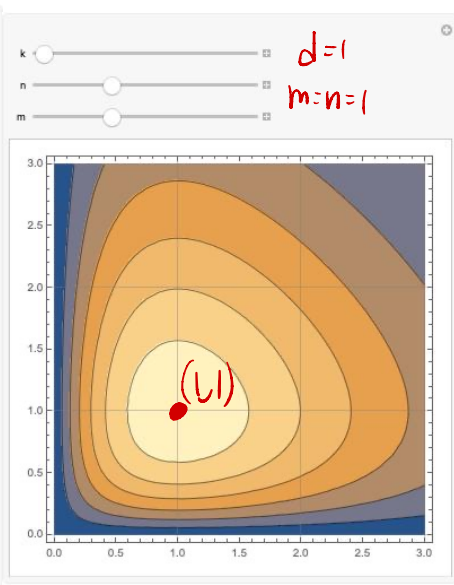
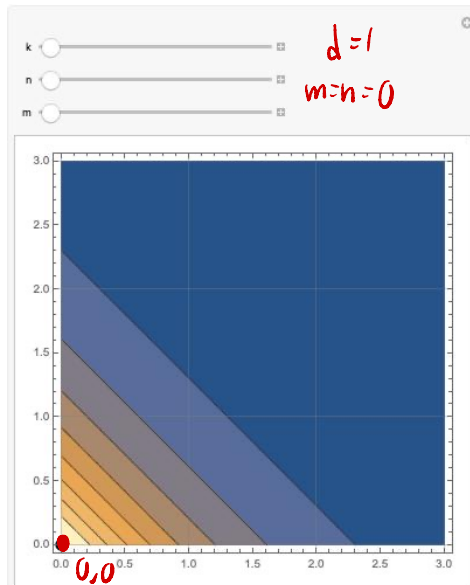
The moment map  $\mu: \mathbb{C}P^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$  is defined up to translation in  $\mathbb{R}^2$



$H^0(\mathbb{C}P^2, \mathcal{O}(d)) =$  homogenous, degree  $d+1$  polynomials in  $x, y, z$

consider a monomial  $S_{m,n} = x^m y^n z^{(d+1)-(m+n)} \in H^0(\mathbb{C}P^2, \mathcal{O}(d))$

the norm  $|S_{m,n}|^2: \mathbb{C}P^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  is invariant under  $U(1)^2$ , so it descends to  $\Delta \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ . The graphs look like:



$|S_{m,n}|^2$  is localized in moment map near  $(n,m)$

in fact,  $\langle S_{m,n} \rangle = H^0(\mathbb{C}P^2, \mathcal{O}(d))^G$  for moment map  $\mu - (n,m)$

Lessons from these examples:

- if  $s \in H^0(M, L)^G$ ,  $|s|^2(x)$  seems to concentrate around  $\mu^{-1}(0)$

- Different choices of  $\mu$  for same group action

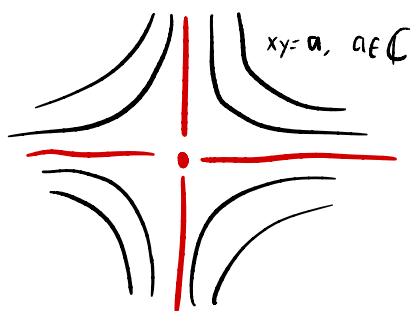
$\Leftrightarrow$   $G$ -invariant sections have different "weights"

# Part 2: Geometric Invariant Theory (GIT)

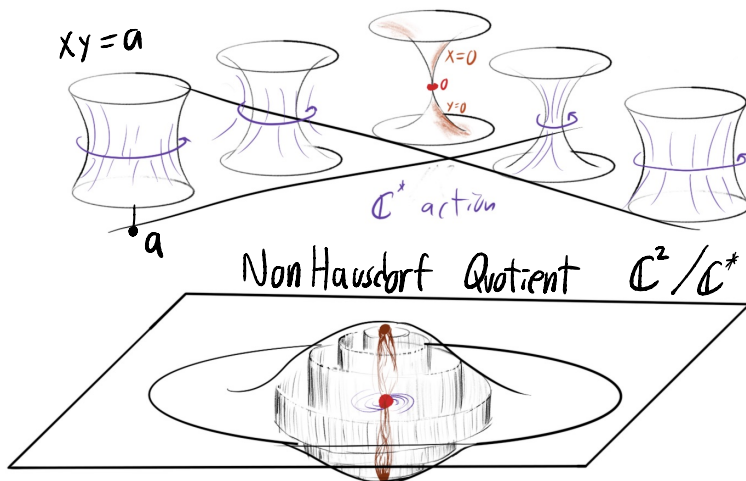
Now we move to the complex story: How do we form a Quotient  $X/G_G$ ?  
 Since  $G_G$  not compact, we don't expect to get a good Quotient space

example:  $G_G = \mathbb{C}^*$ ,  $\mathbb{C}^2/G_G$  via  $t \cdot (x, y) = (tx, t^{-1}y)$

orbits of  $\mathbb{C}^*$  (real locus)



complex picture:



Quotient is good outside of the locus  $xy=0$ :  $\mathbb{C}^*$  acts freely, so

$\mathbb{C}^2 - \{xy=0\} / \mathbb{C}^* = \mathbb{C} - \{0\}$ . This is open dense inside quotient  $\mathbb{C}^2 // \mathbb{C}^* = \mathbb{C}$

Idea: define functions on Quotient should be invariant functions upstairs

"Invariant theory"

affine GIT: say an algebraic variety  $V$  has ring of functions  $R$ ,  $G_G \curvearrowright V$  algebraically

Define functions on  $V // G_G$  as  $G_G$ -invariant functions on  $V$

$V = \text{Spec } R$        $V // G_G = \text{Spec } R^{G_G}$       Ring of  $G_G$ -invariant functions

"build variety out of ring of functions"

The construction  $V = \text{Spec } R$  encodes the structure of  $V$  irrespective of its embedding into  $\mathbb{C}^n$ . To reproduce the embedding, write  $R = \frac{\langle x_1, \dots, x_n \rangle}{\langle r_1, \dots, r_r \rangle}$

generators relations

then  $R$  is a quotient of a polynomial ring  $\frac{\mathbb{C}[x_1, \dots, x_n]}{\langle r_1, \dots, r_r \rangle}$        $r_i \in \mathbb{C}[x_1, \dots, x_n]$

so  $V = \text{Spec} \left( \frac{\mathbb{C}[x_1, \dots, x_n]}{\langle r_1, \dots, r_r \rangle} \right)$  as a complex manifold  $= \{ (x_1, \dots, x_n) \in \mathbb{C}^n \mid r_1(x) = \dots = r_r(x) = 0 \}$  choice of generators of  $R \iff$  write  $V$  as zeros of polynomial

Projective GIT: a projective variety is  $V \subset \mathbb{C}P^n$ . Lets describe its functions

functions on  $\mathbb{C}P^n =$  polynomials  $f: \mathbb{C}^{n+1} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$  s.t.  $f(\lambda \vec{x}) = \lambda^{d_i} f(x)$   $d_i$  degree of  $f_i$

$f \in H^0(\mathbb{C}P^n, \mathcal{O}(d)) = H^0(\mathbb{C}P^n, \mathcal{O}(d))$  degree  $d$  homogenous polynomials

e.g.  $f(x, y) = a_0 x^d + a_1 x^{d-1} y + \dots + a_d y^d$   
 each term has same degree  $d$

Ring of functions  $\bigoplus H^0(\mathbb{C}P^n, \mathcal{O}(d))$  is graded by degree

$\Rightarrow$  Ring of functions  $R^*$  for projective variety  $V \subset \mathbb{C}P^n$  is also graded

write  $V = \text{Proj}(R^*)$ :  $V$  has the structure of a projective variety, w/o choosing embedding into projective space

To pick an embedding, write  $R^* = \mathbb{C}[x_0, \dots, x_n] / \langle f_i \rangle$   $x_i$  have degree 1  $f_i$  are homogenous  $\Rightarrow \text{Proj}(R^*) = \bigcap f_i^{-1}(0) \subset \mathbb{C}P^n$

Then  $V//G_{\mathbb{C}} = \text{Proj}(R^{\bullet}G_{\mathbb{C}})$

Recall Kodaira embedding:  $\downarrow_X^L$  hol. line bundle defines a map to projective space

$i: X \rightarrow \mathbb{P}(H^0(X, L)^*)$   
 $x \mapsto ev_x$   $ev_x(s) = s(x)$  in coords, choose basis  $s_0, \dots, s_n \in H^0(X, L)$ . Then,  $x \mapsto [s_0(x) : \dots : s_n(x)]$

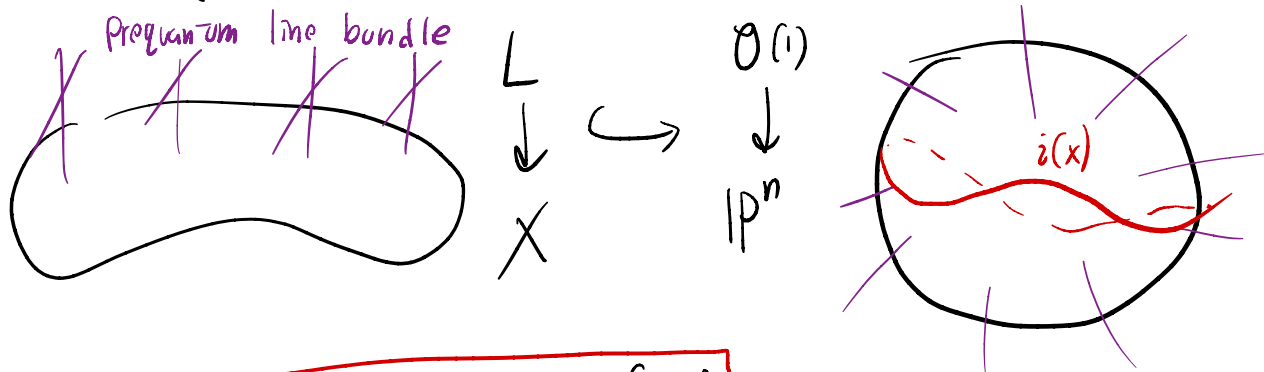
Kodaira embedding thm: if  $L$  has positive curvature, then  $\exists d$  s.t.  $X \rightarrow \mathbb{P}(H^0(X, L^d)^*)$  is an embedding

For example, if  $L$  is prequantum line bundle,  $F_h = \omega > 0$ , so  $L$  ample

$\Rightarrow$  Quantizable Kähler manifolds are projective, and  $L = i^* \mathcal{O}(1)$

The "ring of functions" on  $X$  is  $R(X) = \bigoplus_{d \geq 0} H^0(X, L^d)$ , graded by power of prequantum line bundle

$\Rightarrow X = \text{Proj}(R(X))$



GIT Quotient  $X//G_{\mathbb{C}} := \text{Proj}(R(X)^{G_{\mathbb{C}}})$

explicitly,  $X//G_{\mathbb{C}}$  has "Kodaira embedding"

$X//G_{\mathbb{C}} \rightarrow \mathbb{P}(H^0(X, L)^{G_{\mathbb{C}}})$   $s_i$  basis of  $H^0(X, L)^{G_{\mathbb{C}}}$   
 $x \mapsto [s_0(x) : \dots : s_r(x)]$

Kempf-Ness (again):

symplectic  $X//G = X//G_{\mathbb{C}}$

$\text{Proj}(\bigoplus H^0(X//G, L//G)) = \text{Proj}(\bigoplus H^0(X, L)^{G_{\mathbb{C}}})$

$\Rightarrow H^0(X//G, L//G) = H^0(X, L)^{G_{\mathbb{C}}}$

Guilleman Sternberg (again):

$(X//G)_{\text{Quantum}} = (X_{\text{Quantum}})^G$

$H^0(X//G, L//G) = H^0(X, L)^G$   
not  $G_{\mathbb{C}}$  (yet)

## 2.1 What's Geometric about GIT?

want to relate points in  $X//G_{\mathbb{C}}$  w/ orbits in  $X$

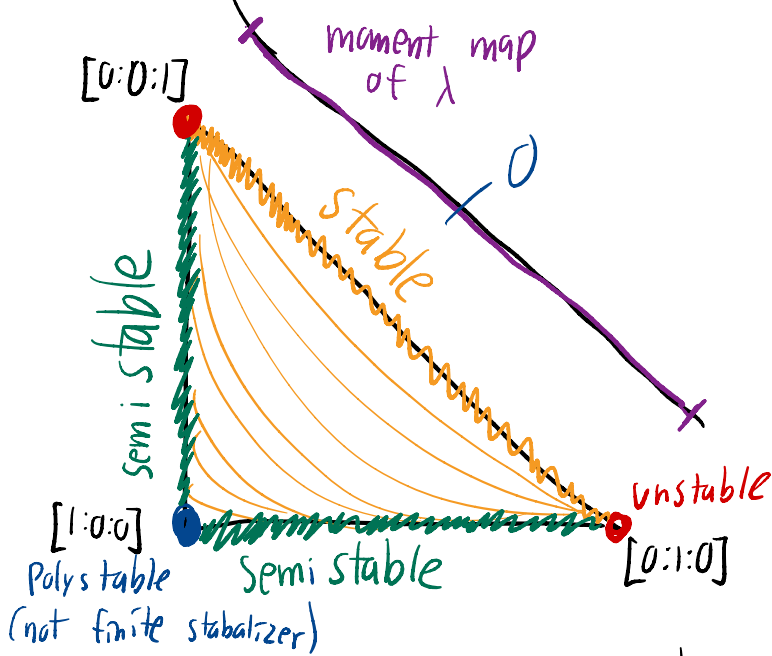
$X//G_{\mathbb{C}}$  can only hope to "see" points in  $X$  where  $H^0(X, L)^{G_{\mathbb{C}}}$  is nontrivial...

- $x \in X$  is semistable (ss) if  $\exists s \in R(X)^{G_{\mathbb{C}}}$  nonconstant,  $G_{\mathbb{C}}$  invariant function on  $X$  s.t.  $s(x) \neq 0$
- The semistable locus  $X^{ss} = \{x \in X \mid x \text{ ss}\} \subset X$  is the part of  $X$  "visible" to  $X//G_{\mathbb{C}}$
- $x$  is unstable (u) if it is not ss,  $X^u = X - X^{ss}$
- $x$  is stable (s) if  $G_{\mathbb{C}} \cdot x$  is closed in  $X^{ss}$ , &  $x$  has finite stabilizer important technical !!

$X^s \subset X^{ss} \subset X$

Example: let  $X = \mathbb{P}^2$ ,  $G_0 = \mathbb{C}^*$ ,  $\lambda \cdot [z_0:z_1:z_2] = [z_0:\lambda z_1:\lambda^2 z_2]$

moment map picture for standard  $U(1)^2$  action:



Thm (Mumford):  $X // G_0 = (X^{ss} / G_0) / \sim$  where we impose "orbit equivalence"  
 $G_0 x \sim G_0 y$  if  $\overline{G_0 x} \cap \overline{G_0 y} \cap X^{ss} \neq \emptyset$   
 2 slashes!

e.g. above, the two semi stable orbits &  $[1:0:0]$  are identified

Hilbert - Mumford criterion: dynamic condition for stability

consider  $\mathbb{C}^*$ -action: lift from  $\mathbb{P}^n$  to  $\text{Tot}(\mathcal{O}(-1)) = \mathbb{C}^{n+1} - \{0\}$

(Note we need to upgrade from a projective representation to a linear one - "choice of linearization")

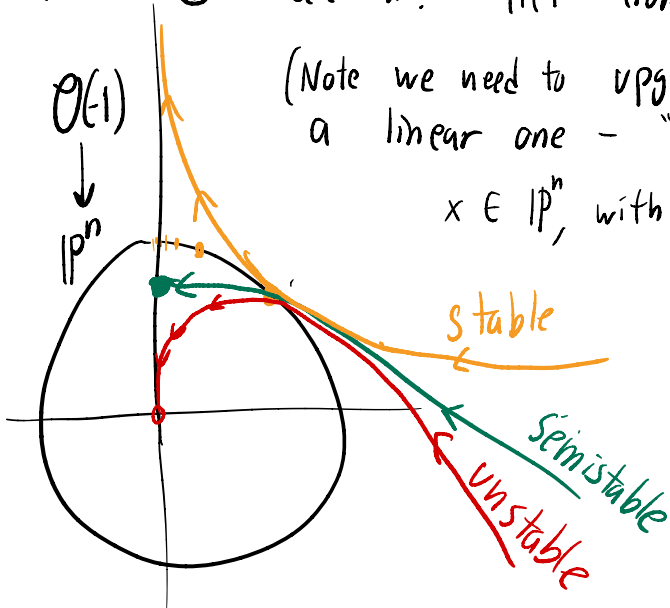
$x \in \mathbb{P}^n$ , with lift  $\tilde{x}$ , is

stable if  $\lim_{\lambda \rightarrow 0} \|\lambda \cdot \tilde{x}\| = \infty$

(orbit is closed, so gives good topology on quotient)

semi stable if  $\lim_{\lambda \rightarrow 0} \|\lambda \cdot \tilde{x}\| \in (0, \infty)$   
 (limits of stable orbits)

unstable if  $\lim_{\lambda \rightarrow 0} \|\lambda \cdot \tilde{x}\| = 0$



we can measure the behavior of the orbit from the weight of  $\mathbb{C}^*$  acting on the fiber at the limit point.

Theorem:  $x \in X$  is semi stable for  $G$  iff it is semi stable for all 1-parameter subgroups  $\mathbb{C}^* < G$



# Part 3: Proving Quantization commutes w/ Reduction

## Outline of proof

$$H^0(X, L)^G \stackrel{(1)}{=} H^0(X, L)^{G_c} \xrightarrow{\cong} H^0(X^{ss}, L)^{G_c} \xrightarrow{\cong} H^0(X//G, L//G) \quad (4)$$

(1) extend  $G$ -action on  $X$  to  $G_c$ -action

(1a) show that the action of  $G_c$  is spanned by  $X_{\mu}$  &  $\nabla \mu$

(1b) lift  $G$ -action on  $L$  to  $G_c$  action s.t.  $H^0(S, L)^G = H^0(S, L)^{G_c}$

(2) show that the  $G_c$ -orbit of  $\mu^{-1}(0)$  is the stable locus  $X^s$

(3) Prove that restriction  $H^0(X, L)^{G_c} \rightarrow H^0(X^s, L)^{G_c}$  is an isomorphism

(4) prove that the Quotient map  $H^0(X^s, L)^{G_c} \rightarrow H^0(X//G, L//G)$  is an isomorphism

(1) extending  $G$  to  $G_c$ : we work infinitesimally.  $\text{Lie } G_c = \mathfrak{g}^c \simeq \mathfrak{g} \oplus i\mathfrak{g}$

Define  $G_c \curvearrowright X$  via  $V_{i\zeta} = J V_{\zeta}$  for  $i\zeta \in i\mathfrak{g}$ .

(1a) denote  $\mu^{\zeta} = \langle \mu, \zeta \rangle$ .  $V_{\zeta} = X_{\mu^{\zeta}}$ , so  $V_{i\zeta} = J V_{\zeta} = \nabla \mu^{\zeta}$

The complex group action is generated by the gradient flow of the moment map

(1b) lift  $V_{i\zeta}$  to act on  $\Gamma(L)$  in the natural way:

$\mathcal{O}_{i\zeta} s = i \mathcal{O}_{\zeta} s$  for  $s$  holomorphic. We want this written as a operator

Since  $s$  holomorphic,  $\nabla_{\cdot} s \in \Omega^{1,0}(X)$ . So,  $i \nabla_{\cdot} s + \nabla_{J \cdot} s = 0 \Rightarrow \nabla_{J V_{\zeta}} s = -i \nabla_{V_{\zeta}} s$

$$\mathcal{O}_{i\zeta} s = i(\nabla_{V_{\zeta}} s + i \mu^{\zeta} s) = -(\nabla_{J V_{\zeta}} s + \mu^{\zeta} s) = -(\nabla_{V_{i\zeta}} s + \mu^{\zeta} s)$$

in particular, if  $s \in H^0(X, L)^G$ ,  $\mathcal{O}_{\zeta} s = 0 \quad \forall \zeta \in \mathfrak{g}$

so  $\mathcal{O}_{i\zeta} s = 0 \quad \forall i\zeta \in i\mathfrak{g} \Rightarrow s$  is  $G^c$ -invariant!

$$H^0(X, L)^G = H^0(X, L)^{G_c}$$

Now we collect facts about invariant sections. let  $s \in H^0(X, L)^G$

•  $V_{i\zeta} |s|^2 = -2\mu^{\zeta} |s|^2$  Fundamental computation

$$V_{i\zeta} |s|^2 = v_{i\zeta} \langle s, s \rangle = 2 \langle \nabla_{V_{i\zeta}} s, s \rangle \text{ as } \nabla \text{ is a metric connection}$$

$s$  is  $G$ -invariant, hence  $G_c$ -invariant, so  $0 = \mathcal{O}_{i\zeta} s = -(\nabla_{V_{i\zeta}} s + \mu^{\zeta} s)$

and  $\nabla_{V_{i\zeta}} s = -\mu^{\zeta} s$ . Plugging this in,  $2 \langle \nabla_{V_{i\zeta}} s, s \rangle = -2\mu^{\zeta} |s|^2$ .

• The maximum of  $|s|^2$  occurs along  $M^{-1}(0)$  (assuming  $s \neq 0$ )

Like we observed emphatically!

say  $x_0$  is a global maximum of  $|s|^2$ . Then  $\forall |s|^2(x_0) = 0$  for any  $v$ . In particular,

$$0 = V_{i\mathbb{Z}} \langle s, s \rangle \Big|_{x_0} = -2\mu^3 |s|^2 \Big|_{x_0}$$

since  $s \neq 0$ ,  $|s(x_0)|^2 = \max_x |s(x)|^2 > 0$ . so, the above equality gives  $\mu^3(x_0) = 0$ .

• Along any  $G_G$ -orbit  $G_G x$ , consider the function  $\Psi_s(y) = |S(yx)|^2$  if  $k \in G$ , then  $|S(kx)|^2 = |S(x)|^2$ . The compact part preserves norm. So,  $\Psi_s(y)$  descends to  $\Psi_x: G \setminus G_G \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  Recall  $G \setminus G_G \cong \text{Exp}(i\mathfrak{g}) \cong \mathfrak{g}$

Then  $\Psi_x$  is concave

This is another consequence of our fundamental computation

$T G \setminus G_G \cong i\mathfrak{g}$ . compute the second derivative in direction  $i\mathbb{Z}$ :

$$\begin{aligned} V_{i\mathbb{Z}}^2 |s|^2 &= V_{i\mathbb{Z}} (-2\mu^3 |s|^2) = -2 \left( \nabla_{\mu^3} (\mu^3) |s|^2 + \mu^3 \cdot \mu^3 |s|^2 \right) \\ &= -2 \left( |\nabla \mu^3|^2 |s|^2 + |\mu^3|^2 |s|^2 \right) \leq 0 \end{aligned}$$

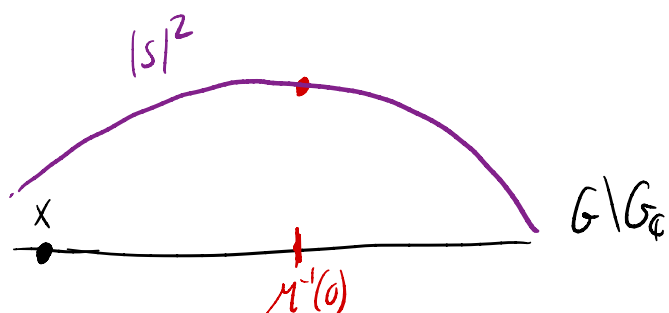
(2) relationship with (semi) stable locus

The concavity of  $\Psi_s$  implies, along  $G_G x$ ,  $|s|^2$  has at most 1 critical pt.

from the fundamental computation, these critical points are exactly  $G_G x \cap M^{-1}(0)$

$\Rightarrow$  each  $G_G$  orbit intersects  $M^{-1}(0)$  @ at most 1  $G$ -orbit!

Options:



- 1 critical pt
- $G_G x$  intersects  $M^{-1}(0)$
- $x$  is stable (assuming  $G \setminus G_G M^{-1}(0)$  free)



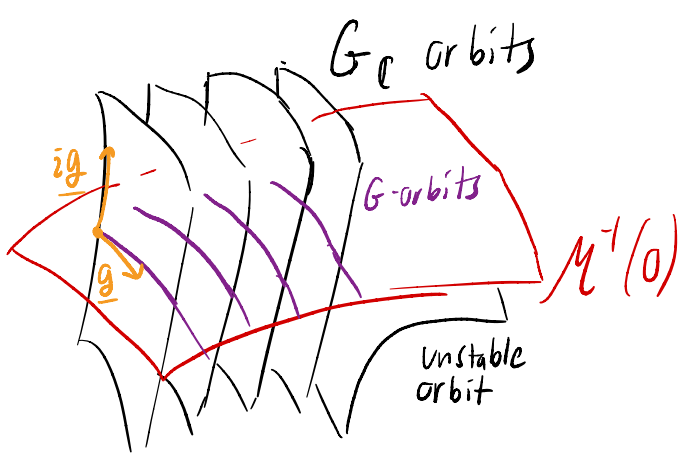
- no critical pts (horizontal asymptote)
- $\overline{G_G x}$  intersects  $M^{-1}(0)$
- $x$  is semistable but not stable

•  $|s|^2 = 0$  on orbit

• if this is true for all  $s \in H^0(X, L)^G$ ,  $x$  is unstable

~~$G \setminus G/G$~~

$S_0 \quad x \text{ s.s.} \iff \overline{G_G x} \cap M^{-1}(0) \neq \emptyset$



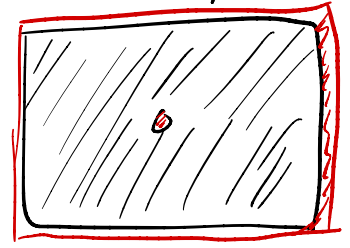
$M^{-1}(0)$  is slice for action of  $\mathbb{Z}g$

(4)  $H^0(X^s, L)^{G_G} \xrightarrow{q} H^0(X//G, L//G)$  via the quotient map  $q$ .

$q$  is surjective: for  $S_0 \in H^0(X//G, L//G) \cong H^0(M^{-1}(0), L)^G$ , want to extend to  $S \in H^0(G_G M^{-1}(0) = X^s, L)^{G_G}$ . define this using action  $\mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}^1}$ . The resulting section is unique, b.c  $G_G$  acts freely on  $X^s$

$q$  is injective: wts that for  $s \in H^0(X^s, L)^{G_G}$ ,  $s \neq 0$ ,  $r(s) \neq 0$ . This is true b.c  $|s|^2$  achieves its maximum on  $M^{-1}(0)$

$X^s \subset X$



(3)  $H^0(X, L)^{G_G} \xrightarrow{r} H^0(X^s, L)^{G_G}$

$r$  is injective because  $X^s \subset X$  is dense open

$r$  surjective: take  $s \in H^0(X^s, L)^{G_G}$ . we wish to extend  $s$  to  $\tilde{s}$

Lemma:  $X^u$  is complex codimension  $\geq 1$ . in particular, it is contained in a divisor  $D$

assuming the lemma, we know by construction that  $|s|^2$  is bounded. so it cannot have a pole at  $D$ . By the Riemann extension theorem,  $s$  extends smoothly to  $\tilde{s} \in H^0(X, L)^{G_G}$ , s.t  $r(\tilde{s}) = s$ .

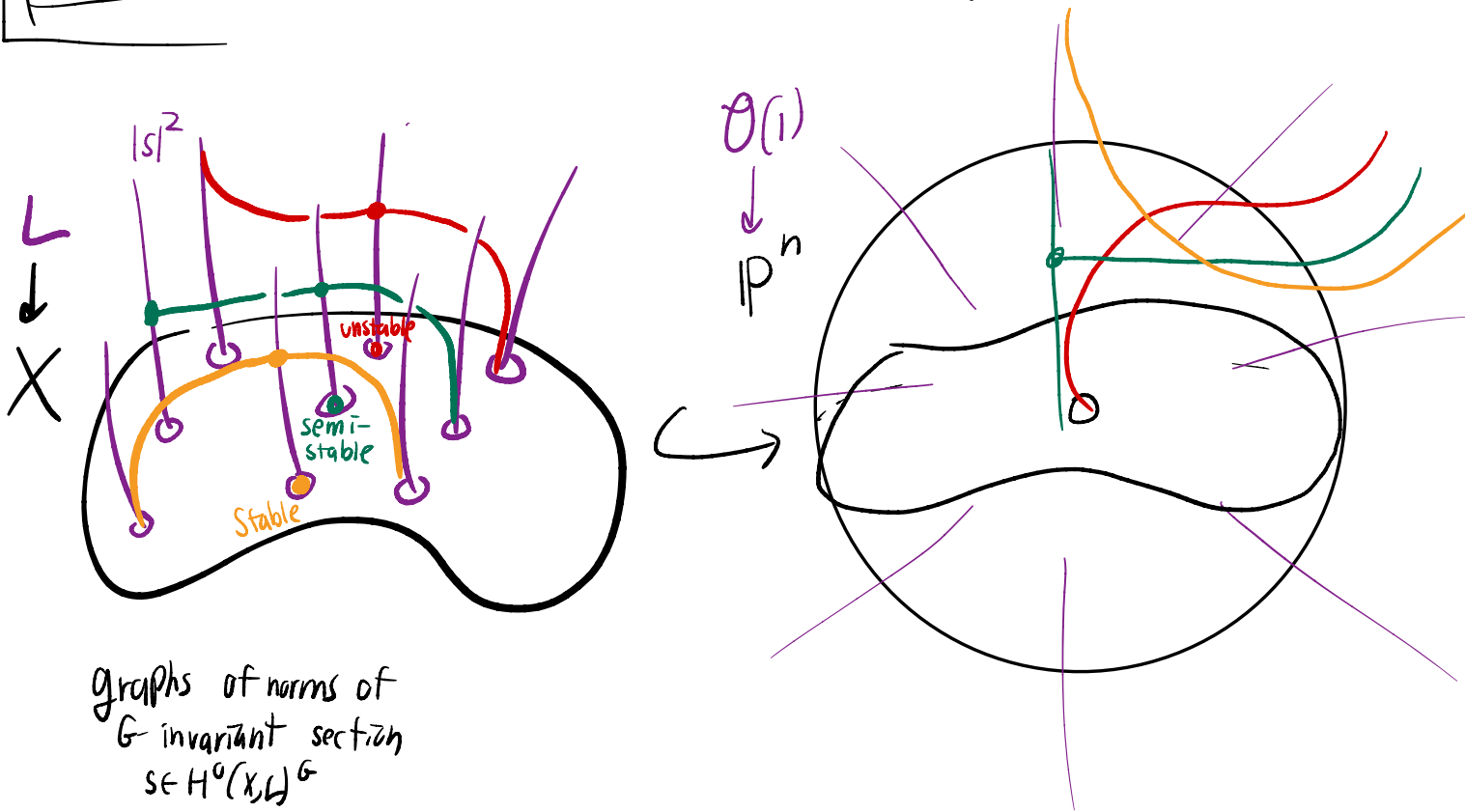
# Proof of lemma:

it suffices to find a single non-0 function  $s \in H^0(X, L)^G$ . Indeed,  $D = s^{-1}(0)$  is a divisor which necessarily contains  $X^u$

Guilleman-Sternberg argue for  $\dim H^0(X, L)^G \neq 0$  using Fourier integral operators to estimate the rank of the Szego kernel - gross.

We could alternatively use Kodaira embedding to make  $X$  a projective variety.

Then we are in the setting of classic GIT. we want to show  $X //_{GIT} G \cong \text{Proj}(\bigoplus H^0(X, L)^G)$  is nonempty. By GIT,  $X //_{GIT} G \neq \emptyset$  if  $X$  has a semistable point. by our computation above, we know  $X$  has a semistable pt b.c  $\mu^{-1}(0)$  is nonempty.  $\square$



graphs of norms of  $G$ -invariant section  $s \in H^0(X, L)^G$

$$|s|^2 \longleftrightarrow \frac{1}{|v|^2} \text{ in lift}$$

$$L = \tilde{\sigma}^* \mathcal{O}(1) \longleftrightarrow \mathcal{O}(-1)$$

Kempf-Ness proved:  $v \in \mathbb{P}(V)$  is stable under  $G \curvearrowright V$  iff the orbit attains the infimum of  $|v|^2$ .  $\Leftrightarrow$  zero of moment map in  $(\mathbb{P}^n, \omega_{FS})$

C.f "an orbit is stable if the  $G$ -invariant holo. section  $|s|^2$  attains its supremum