Polyhedral Adjunction Theory

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I. Classical Adjunction Theory

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Minimal assumption

X is \mathbb{Q} -Gorenstein, i.e., K_X is \mathbb{Q} -Cartier.

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For $\varepsilon > 0$, there are only finitely many $\mu > \varepsilon$.

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Polyhedral adjunction: "Move facets simultaneously inwards"

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 $P^{(1)}$ point

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 point $\implies \mu_P = 2^{-1} = \frac{1}{2}$



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Polyhedral adjunction theory \supsetneq Adjunction theory of polarized toric varieties

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III. The Main Theorem

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Philosophy: Q-codegree is more tractable than codegree!

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This is (nearly) the Q-normality conjecture!

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