

9. The Structure of Compactifications of C^3

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Introduction. Let (X, Y) be a smooth projective compactification of C^3 with the second Betti number $b_2(X)=1$. Then Y is an irreducible ample divisor on X with $\text{Pic } X \cong \mathcal{Z}\mathcal{O}_X(Y)$ and the canonical divisor K_X can be written as $K_X \sim -rY$ ($r > 0, r \in \mathcal{Z}$) (cf. [1]). Thus X is a Fano threefold of first kind (cf. [6]). The integer r is called the index of X .

Two smooth compactifications (X, Y) and (X', Y') are said to be isomorphic, denoted by $(X, Y) \cong (X', Y')$, if there is a biregular morphism $\alpha : X \rightarrow X'$ such that $\alpha(Y) = Y'$.

Then we have:

Theorem. (1) $r \geq 4 \Leftrightarrow (X, Y) \cong (P^3, P^2)$, in fact, $r=4$;

(2) $r=3 \Leftrightarrow (X, Y) \cong (Q^3, Q_0^3)$,

(3) $r=2 \Leftrightarrow (X, Y) \cong (V_5, H_5^0)$ or (V_5, H_5^∞) ,

(4) $r=1 \Leftrightarrow (X, Y) \cong (V_{22}, H_{22}^0)$ or (V_{22}, H_{22}^∞) .

Remark 1. (1) (P^3, P^2) , (Q^3, Q_0^3) , (V_5, H_5^0) , (V_5, H_5^∞) are determined uniquely up to isomorphism (cf. [5], [8]).

(2) (V_{22}, H_{22}^0) , (V_{22}, H_{22}^∞) are not unique, in fact, they have a 4-dimensional family ([7]).

Notation. Q^3 : a smooth quadric hypersurface in P^4

Q_0^3 : a quadric cone in P^3

V_5 : a linear section $\text{Gr}(2, 5) \cap P^6$ of the Grassmann $\text{Gr}(2, 5) \hookrightarrow P^9$ (Plücker embedding) by three hyperplanes in P^9 , which is the Fano threefold of the index two, degree 5 in P^5

H_5^0 : a normal hyperplane section of V_5 with exactly one rational double point of A_4 -type, which is also the degenerated del-Pezzo surface of degree 5

H_5^∞ : a non-normal hyperplane section of V_5 whose singular locus is a line Σ with the normal bundle $N_{\Sigma|V_5} \cong \mathcal{O}_\Sigma(-1) \oplus \mathcal{O}_\Sigma(1)$, in particular, H_5^∞ is a ruled surface swept out by lines in V_5 intersecting the line Σ

V_{22} : the Fano threefold of index one with the genus $g=12$, degree 22 in P^{13} (the anti-canonical embedding)

H_{22}^0 (resp. H_{22}^∞): a non-normal hyperplane section of V_{22} whose singular locus is a line Z with the normal bundle $N_{Z|V_{22}} \cong \mathcal{O}_Z(-2) \oplus \mathcal{O}_Z(1)$, and the multiplicity $\text{mult}_Z H_{22}^0$ (resp. $\text{mult}_Z H_{22}^\infty$) of H_{22}^0 (resp. H_{22}^∞) at a general point of Z is equal to two (resp. three), in particular, H_{22}^∞ is a ruled surface swept out by conics in V_{22} intersecting the line Z .

The proof of Theorem in the case of $r \geq 2$ was given in [2], [5], [8].