

# On the structure of $S_2$ -ifications of complete local rings

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# $S_2$ -ifications

## Assumption

$(R, \mathfrak{m}, k)$  is a commutative noetherian local ring that is complete, equidimensional, and unmixed with canonical module  $\omega$  and total ring of fractions  $Q(R)$ .

## Definition (Hochster and Huneke, '94)

An  $R$ -subalgebra  $T \subseteq Q(R)$  is an  **$S_2$ -ification** of  $R$  if:

- (1)  $T$  is module finite and  $(S_2)$  over  $R$ ; and
- (2) the inclusion  $R \rightarrow T$  is an isomorphism in codimension 2.

## Fact (HH)

- (a)  $R$  has a unique  $S_2$ -ification  $T$ .
- (b) If  $R$  is  $(R_1)$ , then  $T$  is the integral closure of  $R$  in  $Q(R)$ .
- (c) In general, one has  $T \cong \text{Hom}_R(\omega, \omega)$ .

# Local $S_2$ -ifications

## Definition (HH)

$\Gamma_R$  is the graph with vertex set  $\text{Min}(R)$  such that distinct vertices  $p$  and  $q$  are adjacent in  $\Gamma_R$  if and only if  $\text{ht}_R(p + q) = 1$ .

## Fact (HH)

*The following conditions are equivalent:*

- (i)  *$T$  is local;*
- (ii)  *$\omega$  is indecomposable;*
- (iii)  *$H_m^{\dim(R)}(R)$  is indecomposable;*
- (iv) *For every ideal  $J$  of height at least two,  $\text{Spec}(R) - V(J)$  is connected; and*
- (v)  *$\Gamma_R$  is connected.*

## Question

Can one similarly obtain more information about  $m\text{-Spec}(T)$ ?

# Maximal Ideals of $S_2$ -ifications

## Theorem (SW-Spiroff)

*The following quantities are equal:*

- (i)  $|m\text{-Spec}(T)|$ ;
- (ii) *the number of summands in an indecomposable decomposition of  $\omega$ ;*
- (iii) *the number of summands in an indecomposable decomposition of  $H_m^{\dim(R)}(R)$ ;*
- (iv) *the maximum number of components of  $\text{Spec}(R) - V(J)$  where  $J$  ranges through the ideals of height at least 2; and*
- (v) *the number of connected components of  $\Gamma_R$ .*

## Remark (Lyubeznik '06, Zhang '07)

If  $R$  is the completion of the strict hensilization of an equicharacteristic local ring  $A$ , then the above quantity is also the top “Lyubeznik number”  $\lambda_{d,d}(A)$ .

# Examples of $\Gamma_R$

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## Example (complete graphs)

If  $R$  is a hypersurface or  $\dim(R) \leq 1$ , then  $\Gamma_R = K_{|\text{Min}(R)|}$ .

## Example (2-vertex graphs)

$$k[[X_1, X_2]]/(X_1 X_2) \quad (X_1) \text{ --- } (X_2)$$

$$k[[X_1, X_2, X_3, X_4]]/(X_1 X_2, X_2 X_3, X_3 X_4, X_1 X_4) \\ (X_1, X_3) \quad (X_2, X_4)$$

# More Examples of $\Gamma_R$

## Example (paths)

Let  $n \geq 1$  and  $R = k[[X_1, \dots, X_n]]/J$  where

$$J = (X_1, X_2) \cap (X_2, X_3) \cap \cdots \cap (X_{n-1}, X_n).$$

Then  $\Gamma_R \cong P_n$ .

$$(X_1, X_2) \text{ --- } (X_2, X_3) \text{ --- } \cdots \text{ --- } (X_{n-1}, X_n)$$

## Example (cycles)

Let  $n \geq 3$  and  $R = k[[X_1, \dots, X_n]]/J$  where

$$J = (X_1, X_2) \cap (X_2, X_3) \cap \cdots \cap (X_{n-1}, X_n) \cap (X_n, X_1).$$

Then  $\Gamma_R \cong C_n$ .

# Graph Labelings

## Question

How to decide whether a graph  $G$  is of the form  $\Gamma_R$ ?

## Definition (address labeling of $G$ , intuitive version)

Each vertex of  $G$  is assigned a distinct “address” of  $s$  distinct numbers from  $[n] = \{1, \dots, n\}$ , so that two vertices are adjacent if and only if their addresses differ by exactly one number.

## Example (paths)

$$\{1, 2\} \text{ — } \{2, 3\} \text{ — } \dots \text{ — } \{n-1, n\}$$

## Theorem (SW-Spiroff)

*If  $G$  admits an address labeling, then there is a complete local equidimensional unmixed ring  $R$  such that  $\Gamma_R \cong G$ . Moreover, the ring  $R$  is of the form  $k[[X_1, \dots, X_n]]/I$  where  $I$  is a square-free monomial ideal.*

## Example (paths)

$$\{1, 2\} \text{ --- } \{2, 3\} \text{ --- } \dots \text{ --- } \{n-1, n\}$$

$$(X_1, X_2) \text{ --- } (X_2, X_3) \text{ --- } \dots \text{ --- } (X_{n-1}, X_n)$$

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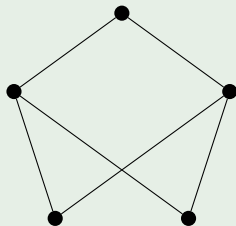
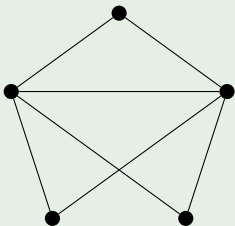
$$J = (X_1, X_2) \cap (X_2, X_3) \cap \dots \cap (X_{n-1}, X_n).$$



# Graph Labelings, cont.

## Example

The following graphs do not have address labelings.



Thus, one cannot realize these graphs as  $\Gamma_R$  for any unmixed equidimensional monomial ideal. Note that the first graph is chordal and the second one is complete bipartite.

## Question

Can these graphs be realized as  $\Gamma_R$ ?

# Graph Labelings, cont.

## Notation

Let  $G$  be a graph with vertex set  $V$ . Fix positive integers  $n$  and  $s$ , and let  $\binom{[n]}{s}$  denote the set of subsets of  $[n]$  with cardinality  $s$ .

## Definition

An **address labeling** of  $G$  is an injective function  $\phi: V \hookrightarrow \binom{[n]}{s}$ , for some choice of  $n$  and  $s$  such that for all  $v, w \in V$ , we have  $v$  adjacent to  $w$  in  $G$  if and only if  $|\phi(v) \cap \phi(w)| = s - 1$ , that is, if and only if  $|\phi(v) \cup \phi(w)| = s + 1$ .