

ON QUINTIC SURFACES OF GENERAL TYPE

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ABSTRACT. The study of quintic surfaces is of special interest because 5 is the lowest degree of surfaces of general type. The aim of this paper is to give a classification of the quintic surfaces of general type over the complex number field \mathbb{C} .

We show that if S is an irreducible quintic surface of general type, then it must be normal, and it has only elliptic double or triple points as essential singularities. Then we classify all such surfaces in terms of the classification of the elliptic double and triple points. We give many examples in order to verify the existence of various types of quintic surfaces of general type. We also make a study of the double or triple covering of a quintic surface over \mathbb{P}^2 obtained by the projection from a triple or double point on the surface. This reduces the classification of the surfaces to the classification of branch loci satisfying certain conditions. Finally we derive some properties of the Hilbert schemes of some types of quintic surfaces.

1. Introduction. Algebraic surfaces over the complex number field \mathbb{C} can be divided into four categories according to their Kodaira dimensions $(-\infty, 0, 1, 2)$. A surface is called of general type if the Kodaira dimension is 2. Much effort has been taken to give a classification of algebraic surfaces of general type. But there is no satisfactory result so far. Many authors studied the surfaces of general type with small invariants. In this paper we study the surfaces of general type in \mathbb{P}^3 with the smallest degree, i.e., quintic surfaces.

The easiest case is the quintic surfaces without essential singularities. Any such surface has the geometric invariants $p_g = 4$, $q = 0$ and $K^2 = 5$. All such surfaces form a Zariski open subset of \mathbb{P}^{55} . We will analyze the singular quintic surfaces and give a complete classification of the quintic surfaces of general type over \mathbb{C} .

The materials are organized as follows:

§2 gives the background materials that we will use later on. Most results are well known and presented without proof.

In §3 we give some formulae concerning double points. The key results are Theorems 3.3 and 3.5, which give a concrete description of the fundamental cycles of double points. Based on the formulae in this section we are able to calculate the geometric invariants of most singular quintic surfaces.

§4 gives all possible normal quintic surfaces of general type with one triple point as its only essential singularity.

In §5.1 we prove that if a normal quintic surface has a double point with geometric genus greater than 1 then it is not a surface of general type. Then in §5.2

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we give all possible quintic surfaces of general type with an elliptic double point as its only essential singularity.

In §6 we give all the remaining normal quintic surfaces of general type.

In §7 we show that quintic surfaces of general type must be normal. Note that a normal quintic surface with a quadruple point is a rational surface and that a quintic surface with a 5-tuple point is a cone, which is birational to a ruled surface. Therefore §§4–6 virtually give all quintic surfaces of general type with some essential singularities. As a by-product we prove that all quintic surfaces of general type are regular surfaces.

In §§8–10 we give some description of the families of quintic surfaces. Unfortunately we are only able to handle some easy cases. For the surfaces with some bad double points the families are still unclear to me.

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2. Preliminaries. Throughout this paper the base field is always assumed to be the complex number field \mathbb{C} .

Let S be a nonsingular compact surface. We denote the canonical divisor of S by K_S or simply K . For $n \geq 1$, let

$$P_n = P_n(S) = \dim H^0(S, \mathcal{O}_S(nK_S))$$

be the n th plurigenus of S ; if $n = 1$, we write $p_g(S)$ instead of $P_1(S)$. The complete linear system $|nK_S|$ defines a rational map $\phi_{|nK|}: S \rightarrow \mathbf{P}^{P_n-1}$. S is called a *surface of general type* if $\phi_{|nK|}$ is a birational morphism onto its image for some $n \geq 1$. The following lemma is simple but very useful.

LEMMA 2.1. *If S is a minimal surface of general type, then $AK \geq 0$ for any effective divisor A .*

PROOF. We may assume that A is irreducible. Since nK is linearly equivalent to some effective divisor for some n , $AK < 0$ would imply that $A(nK) < 0$ and hence $A^2 < 0$. By the Adjunction Formula we have $2p_a(A) - 2 = A^2 + AK \leq -2$. Since the arithmetic genus $p_a(A)$ is nonnegative, we have $p_a(A) = 0$ and $A^2 = AK = -1$. Hence A is an exceptional curve. That contradicts the assumption that S is minimal. \square

There is a criterion for surfaces of general type.

THEOREM 2.2 [11]. *A minimal surface S is of general type if and only if $K_S^2 \geq 1$, $P_2 \geq 2$. \square*

There is also a formula for computing plurigenus.

THEOREM 2.3 [11]. *If S is a minimal surface of general type and $n \geq 2$, then the n th plurigenus P_n of S is given by*

$$(2.1) \quad P_n = \frac{1}{2}n(n-1)K^2 + \chi(S).$$

Moreover, $\chi(S) \geq 1$. \square

Isolated singularities. Let p be a normal singularity on a surface V which is not necessarily compact. We assume that p is the only singularity on V . Let $\pi: M \rightarrow V$ be the minimal resolution of V . The set $A = \pi^{-1}(p)$ is called the *exceptional set*. Let $A = \bigcup A_i$, $1 \leq i \leq n$, be the decomposition of A into irreducible components. If we require that A has the normal crossings, then π is called the *minimal good resolution*.

THEOREM 2.4 [13]. *The intersection matrix $(A_i A_j)$ is negative definite.* \square

A cycle (or divisorial cycle) D on A is an integral combination of the A_i 's. There is a natural partial ordering, denoted by $<$, between cycles. We only consider cycles $D \geq 0$. If $D = \sum d_i A_i$, $\sum d_i$ is called the *degree* of D .

The Riemann-Roch Theorem implies the useful formula

$$(2.2) \quad \chi(B + C) = \chi(B) + \chi(C) - BC$$

for any two cycles B and C . If $B = \sum b_i A_i$, $C = \sum c_i A_i$, we will denote the cycle $\sum \min(b_i, c_i) A_i$ by $B \wedge C$. There is a weighted dual graph associated with each cycle (cf. [12, 18]).

For any subvariety B of A , there is a unique cycle Z_B satisfying

- (i) $\text{Supp } Z = B$;
- (ii) $A_i Z_B \leq 0$ for all $A_i \leq B$;
- (iii) Z_B is minimal with respect to these two properties

(cf. [2]). Such a cycle is called the *fundamental cycle* in the sense of M. Artin. We denote Z_A by Z . The cycle Z may be obtained via a computational sequence:

$$Z_0 = 0, Z_1 = A_{i_1}, Z_2 = Z_1 + A_{i_2}, \dots, Z_j = Z_{j-1} + A_{i_j}, \dots, Z_l = Z_{l-1} + A_{i_l} = Z$$

where A_{i_1} is arbitrary and $A_{i_j} Z_{j-1} > 0$ for $1 < j \leq l$.

The number $h = \dim H^0(V, R^1 \pi_*(\mathcal{O}_M))$ is called the *geometric genus* of p . Since $H^1(X, \mathcal{F}) = 0$ for any affine scheme X and coherent sheaf \mathcal{F} , the sheaf $R^1 \pi_*(\mathcal{O}_M)$ is concentrated at the point p . If $h = 0$, p is called a *rational singularity*.

Applying the Five-Term Sequence Theorem [15, p. 304] to the direct image functor π_* and global section functor Γ , we have an exact sequence

$$(2.3) \quad 0 \rightarrow H^1(V, \mathcal{O}_V) \rightarrow H^1(M, \mathcal{O}_M) \rightarrow H^0(V, R^1 \pi_* \mathcal{O}_M) \\ \rightarrow H^2(V, \mathcal{O}_V) \rightarrow H^2(M, \mathcal{O}_M) \rightarrow 0.$$

In particular, $\dim H^1(M, \mathcal{O}_M) = \dim H^0(V, R^1 \pi_* \mathcal{O}_M)$ if V is affine.

From (2.3) we have

$$(2.4) \quad \chi(V) = \chi(M) + h.$$

If a surface V has finite number of isolated singularities, then

$$(2.5) \quad \chi(V) = \chi(M) + \sum_{p \text{ sing}} h(p)$$

where M is the minimal resolution of V .

A singularity p is called *Gorenstein* if the dualising sheaf ω is locally free at p . It was shown in [15] that a normal singularity on a surface is Gorenstein if and only if K is linearly equivalent to some $H - K'$, where H , K' are effective divisors on M such that H does not meet A and $\text{Supp}(K') \subseteq A$. The effective divisor K' is called the *canonical cycle*. If a neighborhood of p can be embedded in \mathbb{C}^3 , p is Gorenstein.

DEFINITION 2.5. A cycle $D > 0$ is rational if $\chi(D) = 1$, elliptic if $\chi(D) = 0$, minimally elliptic if $\chi(D) = 0$ and $\chi(C) > 0$ for all cycles C such that $0 < C < D$. Let Z be the fundamental cycle of an isolated surface singularity p ; p is called a rational (weakly elliptic, minimally elliptic) point if Z is rational (elliptic, minimally elliptic).

Among all surface singularities the simplest ones are rational double points. They are classified into the following five types (cf. [2, 3]):

	representative equation	dual graph
A_n	$x^2 + y^2 + z^{n+1} = 0 \quad (n \geq 1)$	
D_n	$x^2 + y(y^{n-2} + z^2) = 0 \quad (n \geq 4)$	
E_6	$x^2 + y^3 + z^4 = 0$	
E_7	$x^2 + y^3 + z^3y = 0$	
E_8	$x^2 + y^3 + z^5 = 0$	

A singularity is called *essential* if it is not a rational double point. A surface is called *essentially nonsingular* if all singularities are rational double points.

The minimally elliptic singularities have already been classified by Laufer [12, 15, 19]. There is a complete list of all possible weighted dual graphs for them [18]. We will use the following

THEOREM 2.6 [12]. Let $\pi: M \rightarrow V$ be the minimal resolution of a surface singularity p . Then p is minimally elliptic if and only if $A_i Z = -A_i K_M$ for all irreducible components A_i in A . \square

In particular, if p is a minimally elliptic point, then the fundamental cycle Z is the canonical cycle. We also know that $\dim H^0(V, R^1\pi_*\mathcal{O}_M) = 1$.

Now suppose that p is a weakly elliptic singularity. There is a unique minimally elliptic cycle E in the sense that $E \leq D$ for all elliptic cycles D [12, Proposition 3.2, p. 1261].

For Gorenstein weakly elliptic points, Yau [19] gave a method to compute the canonical cycle by using a so-called elliptic sequence. Here we give a proof by considering minimal resolution instead of minimal good resolution.

The following definition and theorem are due to Yau (cf. [19]).

DEFINITION 2.7. Let A be the exceptional set of the minimal resolution $\pi: M \rightarrow V$ where V is a normal surface with p as its only weakly elliptic singularity. If $EZ < 0$, we say that the *elliptic sequence* is $\{Z\}$. Suppose $EZ = 0$. Let B_1 be the maximal connected subvariety of A such that $B_1 \supseteq \text{Supp } E$ and $A_i Z = 0$ for all $A_i \subseteq B_1$. Since $Z^2 < 0$, B_1 is properly contained in A . Suppose $Z_{B_1} E = 0$. Let B_2 be the maximal connected subvariety of B_1 such that $B_2 \supseteq \text{Supp } E$ and $A_i Z_{B_1} = 0$ for all $A_i \subseteq B_2$. For the same reason as above, B_2 is properly contained in B_1 . Continuing

this process, we finally obtain B_m with $Z_{B_m}E < 0$. We call $\{Z_{B_0} = Z, Z_{B_1}, \dots, Z_{B_m}\}$ the *elliptic sequence* of p .

THEOREM 2.8. *Suppose the weakly elliptic point p is Gorenstein and not minimally elliptic. Then*

- (i) $EZ_{B_i} = 0$ for all $i < m$;
- (ii) $Z_{B_m} = E$;
- (iii) the canonical cycle K' is given by

$$(2.6) \quad K' = \sum_{i=0}^m Z_{B_i}.$$

PROOF. Write $K_M \sim H - K'$ where H does not meet A . We have $-A_i K' = A_i K_M \geq 0$ since M is minimal. Hence $K' \geq Z$ by the definition of fundamental cycle. So $K' = Z + D$, with $D \geq 0$. Since p is not minimally elliptic, $D > 0$. Decompose $D = D_1 + \dots + D_t$ in such a way that $\text{Supp } D_i$ is a connected component of $\text{Supp } D$. Then $KZ = -Z^2 - ZD$ and $\chi(Z) = 0$ imply that $ZD = 0$, whence $ZD_i = 0$ for each i . On the other hand, $D_i K = -D_i Z - D_i^2 = -D_i^2$ implies that $\chi(D_i) = 0$ for each i . Thus $t = 1$ and $E \leq D$.

Let $B_1 = \text{Supp } D$. If A_i is an irreducible component of A such that $A_i \not\leq D$ and $A_i Z = 0$, then $-A_i D = A_i K \geq 0$, which implies that $A_i D = 0$. Hence B_1 is the maximal connected subvariety of A such that $B_1 \supseteq \text{Supp } E$ and $A_i Z = 0$ for all irreducible components A_i of B_1 .

For any irreducible component A_i of B_1 , $A_i D = -A_i K \leq 0$. So $D \geq Z_{B_1}$. Write $K' = Z + Z_{B_1} + F$. If $Z_{B_1} = E$ and $F = 0$, we are done. Suppose that $Z_{B_1} \neq E$ and $F \neq 0$. Since $-2\chi(Z_{B_1}) = Z_{B_1}^2 - Z_{B_1} K' = 0$, $E < Z_{B_1}$. Write $Z_{B_1} = E + D$. Then $\chi(D) = 1$. We have $ED = \chi(E) + \chi(D) - \chi(Z_{B_1}) = 1$ by (2.2). On the other hand, $0 = E^2 + EK = E^2 - EZ_{B_1} = -ED$ leads to a contradiction. Hence it remains to consider the case $Z_{B_1} \neq E$ and $F \neq 0$. The same argument as above shows that $B_2 = \text{Supp } F$ is the maximal connected subvariety of A such that B_2 contains $\text{Supp } E$ and $A_i Z_{B_1} = 0$ for all irreducible components A_i of B_2 .

We can continue this process to get a finite sequence $Z = B_0 > B_1 > \dots > B_m$ and (2.6) is valid with $Z_{B_m} = E$. \square

A surface is called a *Gorenstein surface* if all its singularities are Gorenstein.

THEOREM 2.9 [6, p. 311]. *Let X be a complete algebraic Gorenstein surface with $p_g = 0$, and let $\pi: \tilde{X} \rightarrow X$ be a resolution of singularities. Suppose that \tilde{X} is not ruled. Then either*

- (a) X is essentially nonsingular, or
- (b) X has exactly one minimally elliptic singularity of type E1, and every other singular point is a rational double point.

Case (b) does not occur if X is of general type.

In Theorem 2.9, a minimally elliptic singularity of type E1 means that the exceptional divisor of that singularity is nonsingular.

Double covers. Let $f: X \rightarrow Y$ be a surjective holomorphic map of degree 2 between nonsingular surfaces X and Y . Let R be the *ramification divisor* of f . If f is

locally defined by $f(z_1, z_2) = (w_1, w_2)$ where z_1, z_2 and w_1, w_2 are local coordinates of X and Y respectively, then R is the divisor of zeros of the Jacobian determinant $\partial(w_1, w_2)/\partial(z_1, z_2)$. The direct image $B = f_*R$ is called the *branch locus* of f . Since X is nonsingular, B has no multiple components.

Conversely, let B be an effective divisor on Y without multiple components. Let $\{U_i\}$ be a finite open covering of Y such that B is defined by a local equation $b_i = 0$ on each U_i . We assume that there is a line bundle F with such transition functions $\{f_{ij}\}$ that $b_i = f_{ij}^2 b_j$ on $U_i \cap U_j$. The line bundle F gives rise to a divisor on Y , which we still denote by F . Then the condition $b_i = f_{ij}^2 b_j$ means that $B \sim 2F$. Let w_i denote the fibre coordinates on F over U_i . Then the equations $w_i^2 - b_i = 0$ define a subvariety X' . X' is well defined since $w_i^2 - b_i = f_{ij}^2(w_j^2 - b_j)$. Moreover, since the branch locus B has no multiple components, X' is a normal surface. X' is called the *double cover of Y with branch locus B* after Horikawa [9]. Denote the double covering map by $f': X' \rightarrow Y$.

If B is nonsingular then X' is nonsingular. Assume that B has singular points. Let $q_1: Y_1 \rightarrow Y$ be a blowing-up with center at a singular point s_1 of B with multiplicity m_1 . Set $B_1 = q_1^*B - 2[m_1/2]E_1$ and $F_1 = q_1^*F - [m_1/2]E_1$, where $E_1 = q_1^{-1}(s_1)$. The line bundle F_1 and the divisor B_1 satisfy the conditions stated in the last paragraph. Thus we can construct the double cover $f_1: X'_1 \rightarrow Y_1$ with branch locus B_1 .

LEMMA 2.10. *There is a birational holomorphic map $\sigma_1: X'_1 \rightarrow X'$ such that the diagram*

$$(2.7) \quad \begin{array}{ccc} X'_1 & \xrightarrow{\sigma_1} & X' \\ f_1 \downarrow & & \downarrow f' \\ Y_1 & \xrightarrow{q_1} & Y \end{array}$$

commutes.

In fact, $X'_1 \xrightarrow{\sigma_1} X'$ is the blowing-up of X' with center at $f'^{-1}(s_1)$ followed by normalization.

PROOF. Let $\phi: Y \rightarrow Y_1$ be the inverse birational transformation of q_1 . Since ϕ is an isomorphism from $Y \setminus \{S_1\}$ onto $Y_1 \setminus E_1$ which carries the branch locus isomorphically to branch locus, there is a birational transformation $\psi: X' \rightarrow X'_1$ such that the diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccc} X'_1 & \xleftarrow{\psi} & X' \\ f_1 \downarrow & & \downarrow f' \\ Y_1 & \xleftarrow[\phi]{} & Y \end{array}$$

commutes. Let σ_1 be the inverse of ψ . The birational transformation ψ restricted to $X' - f'^{-1}(s_1)$ is an isomorphism. This implies that σ_1 has no fundamental points [17, V. 5.2]. It is clear that (2.7) commutes. Let $h: W \rightarrow X'$ be the blowing-up of X' with center at $t_1 = f'^{-1}(s_1)$ followed by normalization. By the universal property of blowing-up and normalization, there is a unique morphism $u: X'_1 \rightarrow W$ such that

$h \circ u = \sigma_1$. It remains to show that u is an isomorphism. By the universal property of the blowing-up there is a morphism $v: W \rightarrow Y_1$ such that $q_1 \circ v = f' \circ h$. Let u' be the birational transformation $\psi \circ h$. Then $f_1 \circ u' = v$ as rational maps. Since both v and f_1 are finite, u' has no fundamental points. It is clear that both $u \circ u'$ and $u' \circ u$ are identity morphisms. Hence u is an isomorphism.

If the branch locus B_1 has singular points, we repeat the above procedure, simply replacing Y by Y_1 . After a finite number of steps as shown in the diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccccccccc} X^* = X_n & \rightarrow & X_{n-1} & \rightarrow & \cdots & \rightarrow & X_2 & \rightarrow & X_1 & \rightarrow & X' \\ f_n \downarrow & & f_{n-1} \downarrow & & & & f_2 \downarrow & & f_1 \downarrow & & f' \downarrow \\ Y_n & \rightarrow & Y_{n-1} & \rightarrow & \cdots & \rightarrow & Y_2 & \rightarrow & Y_1 & \rightarrow & Y \end{array}$$

we get a nonsingular model $X^* = X_n$ of X' . We call X^* the *canonical resolution* of X' . The nonsingular surface X^* is not necessarily minimal.

PROPOSITION 2.11 [1, p. 50; 9, p. 50]. *Assume that Y is compact in the above canonical resolution. Then*

$$(2.8) \quad \chi(X^*) = \frac{1}{2}F(K_Y + F) + 2\chi(Y) - \frac{1}{2} \sum [m_i/2]([m_i/2] - 1),$$

$$(2.9) \quad K_{X^*}^2 = 2(K_Y + F)^2 - 2 \sum ([m_i/2] - 1)^2,$$

where each m_i ($i = 1, \dots, n$) denotes the multiplicity of B_{i-1} at the center of the blowing-up q_i which appears in the process of the canonical resolution, and F is half of the branch locus of f' . \square

Double points. According to [10], a double point p is analytically isomorphic to a double point given by an equation $x^2 = f(y, z)$, $(0, 0)$ being a singular point of the power series $f(y, z)$. The double point is an isolated singularity if and only if $(0, 0)$ is an isolated singularity of $f(y, z) = 0$.

Let m be the order of $f(y, z)$. By the Weierstrass Preparation Theorem we may write

$$f(y, z) = u(y, z)(y^m + c_1(z)y^{m-1} + \cdots + c_{m-1}(z)y + c_m(z))$$

where $u(y, z)$ is a unit in the power series ring $\mathbb{C}[[y, z]]$ and $c_1(z), \dots, c_m(z) \in \mathbb{C}[[z]]$. It can be shown (by using the theorem in [21], for instance) that the double point p is analytically equivalent to that given by an equation

$$x^2 = y^m + d_1(z)y^{m-1} + \cdots + d_{m-1}(z)y + d_m(z)$$

where each d_i is a polynomial truncated from $c_i(z)$. Hence we may assume that $f(y, z)$ is a polynomial.

THEOREM 2.12. *The geometric genus h of a double point $x^2 = f(y, z)$ is given by the formula*

$$h = \sum_i \frac{1}{2} \left[\frac{m_i}{2} \right] \left(\left[\frac{m_i}{2} \right] - 1 \right)$$

where m_i 's are the multiplicities which occur during the resolution of $(0, 0)$ as defined in Proposition 2.11.

PROOF. Let m be the degree of $f(y, z)$ and let y, z, w be the homogeneous coordinates in \mathbf{P}^2 . The zero locus B' of the homogeneous polynomial $w^{2[(m+1)/2]}f(y/w, z/w)$ has no multiple components. Since B' has even degree, we can construct a double cover S over \mathbf{P}^2 with branch locus B' . Note that above the point $(0, 0, 1)$ is the double point p .

After making a canonical resolution of all singular points except p we get a smooth surface Y and an effective divisor B such that $B \sim 2F$ for some divisor F and B has only one singular point. Let X be the double cover of Y with branch locus B . X has only one singular point, which is isomorphic to p . Let X^* be the canonical resolution. Then (2.4) shows that

$$(2.10) \quad \chi(X) = \chi(X^*) + h.$$

Let F^* be the completion of the line bundle F , by abuse of notation. Identify Y with the zero section of F^* . There are on F^* three exact sequences:

$$\begin{aligned} 0 &\rightarrow \mathcal{O}_{F^*}(-X) \rightarrow \mathcal{O}_{F^*} \rightarrow \mathcal{O}_X \rightarrow 0, \\ 0 &\rightarrow \mathcal{O}_{F^*}(-X) \rightarrow \mathcal{O}_{F^*}(-Y) \rightarrow \mathcal{O}_Y(-F) \rightarrow 0, \\ 0 &\rightarrow \mathcal{O}_{F^*}(-Y) \rightarrow \mathcal{O}_{F^*} \rightarrow \mathcal{O}_Y \rightarrow 0. \end{aligned}$$

To see the second exact sequence, we can tensor product the last sequence with $\mathcal{O}_{F^*}(-Y)$ and use the facts that in F^* $X \sim 2Y$ and $Y|_Y \sim F$. So we have

$$\begin{aligned} (2.11) \quad \chi(X, \mathcal{O}_X) &= \chi(F^*, \mathcal{O}_{F^*}) - \chi(F^*, \mathcal{O}_{F^*}(-X)) \\ &= \chi(F^*, \mathcal{O}_{F^*}) - \chi(F^*, \mathcal{O}_{F^*}(-Y)) + \chi(Y, \mathcal{O}_Y(-F)) \\ &= \chi(Y, \mathcal{O}_Y) + \chi(Y, \mathcal{O}_Y(-F)). \end{aligned}$$

Hence $\chi(X, \mathcal{O}_X) = 2\chi(Y, \mathcal{O}_Y) + \frac{1}{2}F(F + K_Y)$ by the Riemann-Roch Theorem.

Hence (2.11) and Proposition 2.11 yield

$$(2.12) \quad \chi(X^*) = \chi(X) - \frac{1}{2} \sum [m_i/2]([m_i/2] - 1).$$

Therefore $h = \sum \frac{1}{2}[m_i/2]([m_i/2] - 1)$ by virtue of (2.10). \square

COROLLARY. A double point $(0, 0, 0)$ defined by the equation $x^2 = f(y, z)$ is a rational double point if and only if $(0, 0)$ is not an m -tuple point of the locus $f(y, z) = 0$ with $m > 3$ and there is no infinitely near triple point of $f(y, z) = 0$ above $(0, 0)$. \square

3. Study of the fundamental cycle of a double point. Since the fundamental cycle was discovered by M. Artin [2] in 1966, it has been playing an important role in the study of surface singularities. In this section we study some basic properties of the fundamental cycle of an isolated double point.

First we prove some lemmas.

LEMMA 3.1. Suppose Z is a cycle with support on the exceptional set of an isolated surface singularity with the following two properties:

- (i) $A_i Z \leq 0$ for all irreducible components A_i of Z ;
- (ii) $Z^2 = -1$.

Then Z is the fundamental cycle of the singularity.

PROOF. If not, then $Z = Z' + Z''$, where Z' is the fundamental cycle and $Z'' > 0$ by the first property of Z . The second property of Z implies that

$$-1 = Z^2 = (Z' + Z'')^2 = Z'^2 + Z''^2 + 2Z'Z''.$$

But $Z'^2 < 0$, $Z''^2 < 0$ by Theorem 2.4, and $Z'Z'' \leq 0$ as Z' is the fundamental cycle. This leads to a contradiction. \square

LEMMA 3.2. Let $X \xrightarrow{\pi} S$ be the resolution of an isolated singularity p on a surface S . Let $\sigma: \tilde{X} \rightarrow X$ be the blowing-up of X with center at some $q \in \pi^{-1}(p)$. Then the fundamental cycle Z' of p on \tilde{X} is given by $\sigma^*(Z)$, where Z is the fundamental cycle of p on X .

PROOF. First of all it is obvious that $D\sigma^*(Z) \leq 0$ for any irreducible component D of $\sigma^*(Z)$. So $Z' \leq \sigma^*(Z)$. Write $Z' = mE + \sum m_i \tilde{A}_i$, where \tilde{A}_i is the proper transform of an irreducible component A_i of Z and E is the exceptional curve of σ . Since $0 \geq EZ' = -m + \sum m_i (E\tilde{A}_i)$, we have $\sigma^*\sigma_*(Z') = (m - k)E + \sum m_i \tilde{A}_i$ with $k \geq 0$. Thus $A_i(\sigma_*Z') = \tilde{A}_i Z' - k\tilde{A}_i E \leq 0$ for all A_i . Hence $\sigma_*(Z') = Z$. Therefore $Z' = \sigma^*(Z)$. \square

Let p be a double point represented by the equation $x^2 = g(y, z)$, where $g(y, z)$ is a formal power series in y and z . Let $f: X \rightarrow \mathbb{C}^2$ be the double cover of \mathbb{C}^2 with branch locus $g(y, z) = 0$. Then $f^{-1}(0, 0)$ is isomorphic to p . Suppose that the canonical resolution of p is given by the following diagram.

$$\begin{array}{ccccccccc} X^* = X_n & \rightarrow & X_{n-1} & \rightarrow & \cdots & \rightarrow & X_2 & \rightarrow & X_1 & \rightarrow & X \\ \downarrow f_n & & \downarrow f_{n-1} & & & & \downarrow f_2 & & \downarrow f_1 & & \downarrow f \\ Y_n & \xrightarrow{q_n} & Y_{n-1} & \xrightarrow{q_{n-1}} & \cdots & \rightarrow & Y_2 & \xrightarrow{q_2} & Y_1 & \xrightarrow{q_1} & Y \end{array}$$

The nonsingular surface X^* is a resolution of X , though it is not necessarily a minimal resolution. Define $E_1 = q_1^{-1}(0, 0)$ and $\bar{Z} = a^*(E_1)$, where $a = q_2 \cdot q_3 \cdots q_n \cdot f_n$. Then $A_i \bar{Z} = (a_* A_i) E_1 \leq 0$ for any irreducible component A_i of \bar{Z} . Thus $Z \leq \bar{Z}$, where Z is the fundamental cycle of p on X^* .

A natural question arises: Is Z equal to \bar{Z} ? The answer is "yes" if $\text{Ord}(g)$ is even, where $\text{Ord}(g)$ is defined to be the minimal degree of the terms in $g(y, z)$. If $\text{Ord}(g)$ is odd, then interesting things will happen. We will go through the details in the sequel.

THEOREM 3.3. If $\text{Ord}(g)$ is even, then \bar{Z} is the fundamental cycle of the double point p .

PROOF. Let \bar{E}_1 be the proper transform of E_1 in Y_n and let $D = f_n^{-1}(\bar{E}_1)$. Since $\text{Ord}(g)$ is even, each irreducible component of D is a simple component of \bar{Z} . Suppose the fundamental cycle Z of p is not equal to \bar{Z} . Then $Z' = \bar{Z} - Z$ is a nonzero effective divisor. Since the support of Z is the same as that of \bar{Z} , $Z' \wedge D = \emptyset$. Hence

$$(3.1) \quad Z' \bar{Z} = Z'(a^*(E_1)) = a_*(Z') E_1 = 0.$$

On the other hand, $-2 = \bar{Z}^2 = (Z + Z')^2 = Z^2 + 2ZZ' + Z'^2$ and $Z^2 < 0$, $Z'^2 < 0$, $ZZ' \leq 0$ imply that $ZZ' = 0$. Hence $Z'\bar{Z} = Z'(Z + Z') = Z'^2 < 0$, which contradicts (3.1). \square

Let $A = \bigcup_{i=0}^m A_i$ be the exceptional set of p on X^* . If $\text{Ord}(g)$ is odd, then $f_n^{-1}(\bar{E}_1)$ is always an irreducible rational curve. We may arrange A_i in such a way that $A_0 = f_n^{-1}(\bar{E}_1)$.

LEMMA 3.4. *If $\text{Ord}(g)$ is odd, then there exists at most one cycle $Z' = \sum k_i A_i < \bar{Z}$ such that*

(i) $k_0 = 1$,

(ii) $A_0 Z' = -1$, $A_i Z' = 0$ for all $i > 0$ such that $k_i > 0$.

Actually, if such a Z' exists, then the fundamental cycle Z of p is given by $Z = \bar{Z} - Z'$.

PROOF. Suppose that Z' exists. Since $A_0 \bar{Z}$ is equal to -1 , we have $A_0(\bar{Z} - Z') = 0$ and $A_i(\bar{Z} - Z') = -A_i Z' \leq 0$ for all $i \neq 0$.

On the other hand,

$$Z^2 = (\bar{Z} - Z')^2 = -2 - 2\bar{Z}Z' + Z'^2 = -2 - 2\bar{Z}Z' - 1.$$

By Theorem 2.4, we have $Z^2 < 0$. Hence

$$(3.2) \quad \bar{Z}Z' = \bar{Z}A_0 = -1,$$

so $Z^2 = -1$. Therefore $Z = \bar{Z} - Z'$ is the fundamental cycle of p on X^* by Lemma 3.1. Since the fundamental cycle is unique, Z' is unique if it exists. \square

DEFINITION. Let X^* be the canonical resolution of a double point p defined by $x^2 = g(y, z)$. Let $e = \text{Ord}(g)$. If e is odd and a cycle Z' satisfying the conditions in Lemma 3.4 exists, then Z' is called the *redundancy cycle* of p on X^* . A double point is said to be of *type I* if e is even or p has no redundancy cycle, of *type II* if e is odd and p has a redundancy cycle, of *type II_a* if the redundancy cycle is irreducible, of *type II_b* if the redundancy cycle is reducible.

THEOREM 3.5. *Let X^* be the canonical resolution of an isolated double point p defined by $x^2 = g(y, z)$. Let $e = \text{Ord}(g)$. Then*

(i) *p is of type II_a if and only if e is odd and there is an infinitely near e -tuple point of the zero locus of $g(y, z)$ over $(0, 0)$. In this case the redundancy cycle Z' is A_0 ;*

(ii) *The fundamental cycle Z of p on X^* is given by*

$$Z = \begin{cases} \bar{Z}, & \text{if } p \text{ is of type I,} \\ \bar{Z} - Z', & \text{if } p \text{ is of type II.} \end{cases}$$

PROOF. If e is odd and there is an infinitely near e -tuple point of the zero locus of g over $(0, 0)$, then $E_1 G = e$, where G is the proper transform of the zero locus of g . The intersection point of E_1 and G is an e -tuple point of G . Thus the proper transform of E_1 in Y_2 is a connected component of the branch locus of f_2 . Hence \bar{E}_1 is in the branch locus of f_n with $\bar{E}_1^2 = -2$. So $A_0^2 = -1$. The cycle A_0 satisfies the conditions in Lemma 3.4. Hence p is of type II_a. Conversely, if Z' is irreducible, then $A_0 = Z'^2 = -1$ show that \bar{E}_1 is in the branch locus and $\bar{E}_1^2 = -2$. That can

only happen when e is odd and there is an infinitely near e -tuple point of the zero locus of g over $(0, 0)$. This proves (i).

As to (ii), it suffices to show that e odd and $Z \neq \bar{Z}$ imply that p is of type II. Suppose $Z \neq \bar{Z}$. Then $Z < \bar{Z}$. Write $\bar{Z} = Z + Z'$ and $\bar{Z} = \sum c_i A_i$, $Z' = \sum k_i A_i$. Since e is odd, c_0 equals 2. Since $Z'^2 = -1$, there must be some component A_r of Z' such that $A_r Z' < 0$. Since $A_r \bar{Z} = A_r Z + A_r Z' < 0$, A_r must be A_0 . Moreover, $A_0 Z' = -1$, $A_0 Z = 0$. Since $Z^2 = -1$ and $A_i Z \leq 0$ for all i , there exists only one A_j such that $A_j Z = -1$ and $A_i Z = 0$ for all $i \neq j$. Since $A_0 Z = 0$, we infer that $j \neq 0$. We also have

$$A_i Z' = -A_i Z = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } i = j, \\ 0 & \text{if } i \neq j \end{cases}$$

for all $i > 0$. On the other hand, $-2 = \bar{Z}^2 = (Z + Z')^2 = Z^2 + 2ZZ' + Z'^2$ and $Z^2 < 0$, $Z'^2 < 0$, $ZZ' \leq 0$ imply that $ZZ' = 0$. So $A_i Z = 0$ for all i such that $k_i \neq 0$. Hence $A_i Z' = A_i \bar{Z} - A_i Z = 0$ for all $i > 0$ such that $k_i \neq 0$. Therefore Z' is a redundancy cycle. \square

REMARK. Let $\tilde{X} \rightarrow X$ be the minimal resolution of the surface X with an isolated double point p . Then there is a unique birational morphism from X^* to \tilde{X} . Lemma 3.2 shows that the fundamental cycle Z on X^* is the total transform of the fundamental cycle of p on \tilde{X} . Therefore both Euler characteristic and self-intersection number of the fundamental cycle remain unchanged.

COROLLARY 3.6. Let $S \rightarrow X$ be any resolution of a surface X with an isolated double point p . Then

$$Z^2 = \begin{cases} -2 & \text{if } p \text{ is of type I,} \\ -1 & \text{if } p \text{ is of type II,} \end{cases}$$

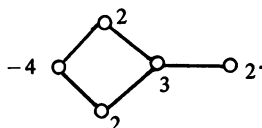
where Z is the fundamental cycle of p on S .

PROOF. By the remark, we may assume that $S = X^*$. If p is of type I, then $Z^2 = \bar{Z}^2 = 2E_1^2 = -2$. If p is of type II, then $Z^2 = -1$ as shown in the proof of Theorem 3.5. \square

EXAMPLE. Let p be a double point defined by

$$x^2 = (y^2 + z^4)(y^3 + z^4).$$

The fundamental cycle Z on X^* is given by the weighted dual graph



We can see that $Z = \bar{Z}$. Hence p is a double point of type I. This example shows that the converse of Theorem 3.3 is not true.

THEOREM 3.7. Let Z be the fundamental cycle of an isolated double point p represented by $x^2 = g(y, z)$. Let $e = \text{Ord}(g)$. Then

$$(i) \quad \chi(Z) = \begin{cases} 2 - [\frac{1}{2}e] & \text{if } p \text{ is of type I,} \\ \frac{1}{2}(3 - e) & \text{if } p \text{ is of type II}_a, \end{cases}$$

(ii) $\chi(Z) \geq 2 - [\frac{1}{2}e]$ if p is of type II_b .

Here $[\alpha]$ denotes the integer part of the real number α .

PROOF. By the Adjunction Formula,

$$\begin{aligned}\chi(\bar{Z}) &= -\frac{1}{2}(\bar{Z}^2 + \bar{Z}K_{X^*}) = 1 - \frac{1}{2}E_1(2K_{Y_1} + B_1) \\ &= \begin{cases} 2 - \frac{1}{2}e & \text{if } e \text{ is even,} \\ 2 - \frac{1}{2}(e-1) & \text{if } e \text{ is odd.} \end{cases}\end{aligned}$$

Here B_1 is the branch locus of f_1 and K_{Y_1} is the canonical divisor of Y_1 . Hence $\chi(Z) = \chi(\bar{Z}) = 2 - [\frac{1}{2}e]$ if p is of type I.

If p is of type II_a , then $\chi(Z') = 1$ and $[\frac{1}{2}e] = \frac{1}{2}(e-1)$. Hence $\chi(Z) = \chi(\bar{Z}) - \chi(Z') + ZZ' = 2 - [\frac{1}{2}e] - \chi(Z') = \frac{1}{2}(3-e)$.

If p is of type II_b , then $A_0^2 = -r < -1$. By Lemma 3.1, Z' is a fundamental cycle on its own support. Hence $\chi(Z') \leq 1$. Suppose $\chi(Z') = 1$. Then either Z' would be the fundamental cycle of a rational double point or there would be a morphism from X^* to a smooth surface so that Z' would contract to a point. Since $Z'^2 = -1$, Z' would not be the fundamental cycle of a rational double point. Thus Z' would contain an exceptional curve C_1 and a rational curve C_2 with $C_2^2 = -2$ and $C_1C_2 = 1$. Then $f_n(C_1)$ would be a rational curve of self-intersection -2 in the branch locus and the map from C_2 onto $f_n(C_2)$ would be a double cover with two ramification points. That would mean that $f_n(C_2)$ would be an exceptional curve having two intersection points with the branch locus. But this is quite impossible for the construction of canonical resolution. Hence $\chi(Z') < 1$. Therefore $\chi(Z) = \chi(\bar{Z}) - \chi(Z') \geq 2 - [e/2]$.

4. Normal quintic surfaces with a triple point. In this section we will prove the following theorem.

THEOREM 4.1. *A normal quintic surface S_0 of general type which has a triple point p as its only essential singularity must be one of the following three types:*

- (1) p is a minimally elliptic point.
- (2) The blowing-up of S_0 at p has a minimally elliptic double point q of type I and S_0 contains a line L_0 such that the proper transform of L_0 passes through q .
- (3) The blowing-up of S_0 at p has a minimally elliptic double point of type II_a .

These three types of surfaces are denoted by III, III-I' and III-II_a.

The numerical invariants of the minimal models are:

$$p_g = 3, \quad q = 0, \quad K^2 = 2 \quad \text{for III,}$$

and

$$p_g = 2, \quad q = 0, \quad K^2 = 1 \quad \text{for III-I' and III-II}_a.$$

REMARK. The notation “'” indicates that the minimal resolution of S_0 is not a minimal surface.

4.1 Isolated hypersurface triple points. First of all, we study some general properties of a hypersurface triple point.

Let $p = (0, 0, 0)$ be an isolated triple point on a hypersurface $S_0 \subset \mathbb{A}^3$ defined by the equation

$$(4.1) \quad f(x, y, z) = f_3(x, y, z) + f_4(x, y, z) + \cdots = 0$$

where $f_i(x, y, z)$ denotes the degree i homogeneous part of $f(x, y, z)$ and $f_3(x, y, z) \neq 0$. Let $\sigma: T \rightarrow \mathbb{A}^3$ be the blowing-up of \mathbb{A}^3 at p . Denote the proper transform of S_0 in T by S . Let $E = \sigma^{-1}(p)$. Then x, y, z can be regarded as the homogeneous coordinates of the plane E . Let D_i be the plane curve defined by $f_i(x, y, z) = 0$, where $i = 3, 4, \dots$. Obviously $D_3 = S \cap E$ can be one of the following curves:

- (i) a nonsingular curve;
- (ii) a rational curve with a node;
- (iii) a rational curve with a cusp;
- (iv) the union of a line and a conic with two distinct intersection points;
- (v) the union of a line and a conic tangent to each other;
- (vi) the union of three distinct nonconcurrent lines;
- (vii) the union of three distinct concurrent lines;
- (viii) the union of a double line and another line;
- (ix) a triple line.

PROPOSITION 4.2. *The set of singular points of S on E is $(\text{Sing } D_3) \cap D_4$, where $\text{Sing } D_3$ is the set of singular points of D_3 .*

PROOF. The local equations of S are

$$(4.2) \quad f_3(1, y, z) + xf_4(1, y, z) + x^2f_5(1, y, z) + \cdots = 0,$$

$$(4.3) \quad f_3(x, 1, z) + yf_4(x, 1, z) + y^2f_5(x, 1, z) + \cdots = 0,$$

$$(4.4) \quad f_3(x, y, 1) + zf_4(x, y, 1) + z^2f_5(x, y, 1) + \cdots = 0.$$

By the symmetry of these three equations, it suffices to discuss one of them, say (4.2). Note that E is given by $x = 0$. The Jacobi criterion gives the following conditions for a singular point of S on E :

$$f_3(1, y, z) = 0, \quad \frac{\partial f_3}{\partial y}(1, y, z) = 0,$$

$$\frac{\partial f_3}{\partial z}(1, y, z) = 0, \quad f_4(1, y, z) = 0,$$

which is what we want to prove. \square

PROPOSITION 4.3. *If S is nonsingular on E , then p is a minimally elliptic singularity.*

PROOF. Without loss of generality, we may assume that p is the only singularity of S . That means that S is smooth. We have

$$K_T + S \sim (\sigma^*K_{\mathbb{A}^3} + 2E) + (\sigma^*S_0 - 3E) \sim \sigma^*(K_{\mathbb{A}^3} + S_0) - E.$$

The canonical divisor K of S is linearly equivalent to the restriction of $K_T + S$ on S . Since $K_{\mathbb{A}^3} + S_0$ is linearly equivalent to a divisor away from p , the canonical cycle K' of p in S is the restriction of E on S . By the Adjunction Formula, $\chi(K') = K'^2 + K'(-K') = 0$. Hence K' is an elliptic cycle. Since the intersection of E and S is a plane cubic curve, K' must be a minimally elliptic cycle. Therefore p is minimally elliptic. \square

REMARK. Since rational double points are negligible, the proposition is still true even if S has some rational double points on E .

PROPOSITION 4.4. *If D_3 is one of the curves (i), (ii), (iv) and (vi), then p is a minimally elliptic point.*

PROOF. In cases (i), (ii), (iii) and (iv), D_3 has at most nodes as singularities. Let (y_1, z_1) be a point satisfying $f_3(1, y_1, z_1) = 0$. Let $y' = y - y_1$ and $z' = z - z_1$. Then $f_i(1, y, z)$ in (4.2) can be written as $f'_i(y', z')$ for $i = 3, 4, 5, \dots$. The order of $f'_3(y', z')$ is either 1 or 2. In the former case, S is smooth at the point $x = 0, y = y_1, z = z_1$. In the latter case the degree two part of $f'_3(y', z')$ is the product of two different linear factors as D_3 has at most nodes. Hence the point $x = 0, y = y_1, z = z_1$ is a rational double point in that case. The same discussion applies to the equations (4.3) and (4.4). Hence p is a minimally elliptic point by Proposition 4.3 and the remark. \square

4.2 PROOF OF THE THEOREM. Now we return to the quintic surface S_0 . Let S_0 be defined by $f(x, y, z) = 0$, where $f(x, y, z) = f_3(x, y, z) + f_4(x, y, z) + f_5(x, y, z)$. We still use the notations in §4.1.

PROPOSITION 4.5. *If S is not normal and if p is the only essential singularity of S_0 , then the minimal model of S_0 is a K3 surface.*

PROOF. Proposition 4.2 implies that S is not normal if and only if case (viii) or (ix) happens and $f_4(x, y, z)$ vanishes along the double or triple line of D_3 . We may assume that $f_3(x, y, z) = y^2z$ or y^3 and $y|f_4(x, y, z)$. Write

$$f_4(x, y, z) = yg_3(x, y, z).$$

Then (4.2) becomes

$$(4.5) \quad y^2z + xyg_3(1, y, z) + x^2f_5(1, y, z) = 0,$$

or

$$(4.6) \quad y^3 + xyg_3(1, y, z) + x^2f_5(1, y, z) = 0.$$

The line $L: y = 0, x = 0$ is a double line of S . Let $\sigma': T' \rightarrow T$ be the blowing-up of the threefold T along L and let S' be the proper transform of S . Let F be the exceptional divisor of σ' . It is easy to check that S' has no essential singularities. We have

$$(4.7) \quad K_{T'} + S' \sim \sigma'^*(K_T + S) - F \sim \sigma'^*(\sigma^*(K_{\mathbf{P}^3} + S_0) - E) - F.$$

The divisor $K_{\mathbf{P}^3} + S_0$ is linearly equivalent to a hyperplane in \mathbf{P}^3 , so the canonical system $|K_{S'}|$ is cut out by the plane H_0 in \mathbf{P}^3 passing through p such that the proper transform H of H_0 in T passes through L . Actually H_0 is given by $y = 0$. Thus $H_0 \cap S_0$ is the union of five concurrent lines L_1, \dots, L_5 . We discuss the following different cases:

(i) (General case) If L_1, \dots, L_5 are distinct, then a direct calculation shows that S_0 is smooth on $H_0 - \{p\}$. Let L'_1, \dots, L'_5 be the proper transforms of L_1, \dots, L_5 in S' . Then $K_{S'} \sim L'_1 + \dots + L'_5$ and S' is smooth along L'_i for $1 \leq i \leq 5$. Obviously L'_1, \dots, L'_5 are pairwise disjoint. Hence L'_1, \dots, L'_5 are exceptional curves of first

kind by the Adjunction Formula. Therefore the minimal model of S_0 is a $K3$ surface.

(ii) (Special case) Suppose L_1, \dots, L_5 are not distinct, say $L_1 = L_2 = \dots = L_r$ and $L_i \neq L_1$ for $i > r$. That means that there is a linear form $\lambda(x, z)$ such that $\lambda(x, z) \mid f_5(x, 0, z)$ and $\lambda^{r+1}(x, z) \nmid f_5(x, 0, z)$. Under the circumstances, S' has a rational double point of type A_{r-1} on L'_1 . Let $\tilde{\sigma}: \tilde{S} \rightarrow S'$ be the minimal resolution of S' . Then the effective canonical divisor of \tilde{S} contains a chain

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc} \tilde{L}_1 & & D_1 & & D_2 & & \dots & & D_{r-1} \\ \circ & \text{---} & \circ & \text{---} & \circ & \text{---} & \dots & \text{---} & \circ \end{array}$$

as one of its connected components, where \tilde{L}_1 is the proper transform of L'_1 and D_1, \dots, D_{r-1} are rational curves with self-intersection -2 . Suppose that $K_{\tilde{S}} \sim r\tilde{L}_1 + m_1D_1 + \dots + m_{r-1}D_{r-1} + G$, where G is disjoint from $\tilde{L}_1 + \sum D_i$. Then the Adjunction Formula yields the following equalities:

$$\begin{aligned} (4.8) \quad & (r+1)\tilde{L}_1^2 + m_1 = -2, \\ & -2m_1 + r + m_2 = 0, \\ & -2m_2 + m_1 + m_3 = 0, \\ & \vdots \\ & -2m_{r-1} + m_{r-2} = 0. \end{aligned}$$

Adding all these together we get

$$(4.9) \quad (r+1)\tilde{L}_1^2 + r - m_{r-1} = -2.$$

The equality (4.8) implies $\tilde{L}_1^2 < 0$ while (4.9) implies $\tilde{L}_1^2 > -2$. Hence $\tilde{L}_1^2 = -1$. Thus $\{\tilde{L}_1, D_1, \dots, D_{r-1}\}$ is a chain of exceptional divisors of first kind. The same arguments apply to other components of $|K_{\tilde{S}}|$. Therefore \tilde{S} is a $K3$ surface. \square

REMARK. Now that the minimal model of S_0 is a $K3$ surface under the conditions of the proposition, then we would like to know the curves on it. Take a generic line L_0 in \mathbf{P}^3 passing through p . Let H_0 be a generic hyperplane passing through L_0 . Then $H_0 \cap S_0$ is a quintic curve with a triple point plus an infinitely near double point. Hence all hyperplanes passing through L_0 give rise to a pencil of genus 2 curves with two base points on the minimal model of S_0 .

PROPOSITION 4.6. *If S is not normal and if there is an essential singularity other than p , then the minimal model of S_0 is a ruled surface.*

PROOF. Following the same arguments as in the proof of Proposition 4.5, we see that $K_{\tilde{S}} \sim -D \neq 0$ where \tilde{S} is a minimal model of S_0 and D is an effective divisor with support on the union of the exceptional divisors of all essential singularities other than p . Hence \tilde{S} is a ruled surface. \square

PROOF OF THEOREM 4.1. Denote the minimal resolution of S_0 by \tilde{S} .

We first compute the numerical invariants for the surfaces of type III. If p is a minimally elliptic point, then $|K_{\tilde{S}}|$ is cut out by all hyperplanes passing through p . Thus the only possible fixed components of $|K_{\tilde{S}}|$ are in the exceptional divisor C of p . Hence \tilde{S} is minimal. Therefore $p_g = 3$, $K_{\tilde{S}}^2 = 5 + C^2 = 5 - 3 = 2$. Since $\chi(\mathcal{O}_{\tilde{S}}) = \chi(\mathcal{O}_{S_0}) - 1 = 4$, we have $q = 0$.

Remember that there are nine cases for D_3 . In cases (i), (ii), (iv) and (vi), p is minimally elliptic by Proposition 4.4. Henceforth we discuss all the remaining cases.

(iii) We may assume that $f_3(1, y, z) = y^2 + z^3$. Then (4.2) can be written as

$$y^2 + z^3 + xf_4(1, y, z) + x^2f_5(1, y, z) = 0.$$

Since $f_4(1, y, z)$ or $f_5(1, y, z)$ must contain at least one nonzero monomial among $1, y$ and z , S has at most a rational double point on D_3 . Hence p is minimally elliptic by the remark to Proposition 4.4.

(v) We may assume that $f_3(1, y, z) = y(y - z^2)$. Then (4.2) becomes

$$y^2 - yz^2 + xf_4(1, y, z) + x^2f_5(1, y, z) = 0.$$

If either $f_4(1, y, z)$ contains a nonzero monomial from $1, y, z, z^2$ or $f_5(1, y, z)$ contains a nonzero monomial from $1, z$, then S has at most a rational double point on D_3 . In that case p is minimally elliptic. Otherwise S has a minimally elliptic double point q of type I. The line $L_0: y = 0, z = 0$ is on S_0 and the proper transform L of L_0 passes through q . Let S_1 be the minimal resolution of S . Then $|K_{S_1}|$ is cut out by all hyperplanes in \mathbf{P}^3 passing through L_0 . Hence $p_g(\tilde{S}) = 2$. Let L_1 be the proper transform of L in S_1 . Then L_1 is the only fixed component of $|K_{S_1}|$. Since L meets the canonical cycle of p at least twice, $L_1K_{S_1} < 0$. Hence L_1 is an exceptional curve of the first kind. Let $\eta: S_1 \rightarrow \tilde{S}$ be the contraction of L_1 . Then \tilde{S} is the minimal model of S_1 . Since $K_{S_1}^2 = 5 - 3 - 2 = 0$, we have $K_{\tilde{S}}^2 = 1$. Since the geometric genus of p is equal to 2, we have $\chi(\mathcal{O}_{\tilde{S}}) = \chi(\mathcal{O}_{S_0}) - 2 = 3$. Hence $q(\tilde{S}) = 0$.

(vii) We may assume that $f_3(x, y, z) = yz(y + z)$. Then (4.2) takes the form

$$(4.10) \quad yz(y + z) + xf_4(1, y, z) + x^2f_5(1, y, z) = 0.$$

If either $f_4(1, y, z)$ contains a nonzero monomial from $1, y, z$ or $f_5(1, y, z)$ has a nonzero constant term, then S has at most a rational double point on D_3 . In that case, p is minimally elliptic.

Otherwise, (4.10) gives rise to a triple point q on S . The degree 3 part in (4.10) is $yz(y + z) + x^2(\lambda y + \mu z)$, where λ and μ cannot be zero at the same time. To finish the discussion of this case we prove the following proposition.

PROPOSITION 4.7. *If D_3 is the union of three concurrent lines intersecting at a triple point q of S , then the minimal model of S_0 is an elliptic surface.*

PROOF. Proposition 4.4 implies that q is a minimally elliptic triple point. Let S_1 be the minimal resolution of S . By the same arguments as above, $|K_{S_1}|$ is cut out by all the hyperplanes passing through a line L_0 in \mathbf{P}^3 , and the proper transform L_1 of L_0 in S_1 is the only exceptional divisor of the first kind in S_1 . Let $\eta: S_1 \rightarrow \tilde{S}$ be the blowing-down of L_1 . Then \tilde{S} is a minimal model of S_0 . Since $p_g(\tilde{S}) = 2$, $K_{\tilde{S}}^2 = 5 - 3 - 3 + 1 = 0$, \tilde{S} is an elliptic surface. \square

Continuation of the proof of Theorem 4.1.

(viii) We may assume that $f_3(x, y, z) = y^2z$. Then (4.2) becomes

$$y^2z + xf_4(1, y, z) + x^2f_5(1, y, z) = 0.$$

If $y|f_4(1, y, z)$, then S is not normal and Proposition 4.5 implies that the minimal model of S_0 is a $K3$ surface. Hence we may assume $y \nmid f_4(1, y, z)$. By Proposition 4.2, all the singular points of S on D_3 are located on the line L : $y = 0, x = 0$ on S , which are determined by the roots of $f_4(1, 0, z) = 0$. In other words, it suffices to investigate the point q : $x = 0, y = 0, z = \zeta$, where ζ is a root of $f_4(1, 0, z) = 0$. Note that ζ might be ∞ ! But that does not matter, for we can use (4.4) instead of (4.2) in that case.

If ζ is a simple root of $f_4(1, 0, z) = 0$, then q is a rational double point. If ζ is a double root of $f_4(1, 0, z) = 0$ and $\zeta \neq 0$, then q is also a rational double point. That implies that S has at most one essential singularity.

If $f_5(1, 0, 0) \neq 0$ or $y^2 \nmid f_4(1, y, 0)$, then q is a rational double point. Hence an essential singularity is given by one of the following two sets of conditions:

- (a) $\zeta = 0, z^2|f_4(1, 0, z), y^2|f_4(1, y, 0), f_5(1, 0, 0) = 0$;
- (b) $\zeta \neq 0, (z - \zeta)^3|f_4(1, 0, z), y^2|f_4(1, y, \zeta), (z - \zeta)^2 \nmid f_5(1, 0, \zeta)$.

In case (a) $f_5(1, y, z)$ must contain a nonzero monomial from y and z and $f_4(1, 0, z) \neq 0$. Hence S has a minimally elliptic triple point. Therefore the minimal model of S_0 is an elliptic surface. Actually the hyperplanes in \mathbf{P}^3 passing through the line L_0 : $y = 0, z = 0$ cut out a pencil of elliptic curves.

In case (b) S has a minimally elliptic double point of type I. Let \tilde{L} be the proper transform of the line L_0 : $y = 0, z = 0$ in the minimal resolution \tilde{S} of S_0 . Then \tilde{L} is an exceptional curve of the first kind. Hence \tilde{S} is a surface of general type with $p_g = 2, q = 0, K_{\tilde{S}}^2 = 1$.

(ix) We may assume that $f_3(x, y, z) = y^3$. Then (4.2) becomes

$$y^3 + xf_4(1, y, z) + x^2f_5(1, y, z) = 0.$$

If $y|f_4(1, y, z)$, then S is not normal and Proposition 4.5 implies that the minimal model of S_0 is a $K3$ surface. We assume $y \nmid f_4(1, y, z)$. All the singular points of S on D_3 are located on the line L : $y = 0, x = 0$ on S , which are determined by the roots of $f_4(1, 0, z)$. Let $q \in S$ be the point $x = 0, y = 0, z = \zeta$, where ζ is a root of $f_4(1, 0, z) = 0$. Without loss of generality, we may assume $\zeta = 0$. If $z^2 \nmid f_4(1, 0, z)$ then q is a rational double point. Write

$$f_4(1, y, z) = f_4(1, 0, z) + yg(z) + y^2h(y, z),$$

$$f_5(1, y, z) = f_5(1, 0, z) + yG(z) + y^2H(y, z).$$

Assume that $z^2|f_4(1, 0, z)$. One of the following relations must hold:

$$z^2 \nmid f_5(1, 0, z), \quad z \nmid g(z), \quad z \nmid G(z),$$

otherwise S_0 would not be normal.

If $z \nmid g(z)$, then q is a rational double point.

If $z|f(z), z|f_5(1, 0, z)$, then the hyperplanes passing through the line L_0 : $y = 0, z = 0$ cut out a pencil of rational or elliptic curves. In fact, for any generic hyperplane H_0 : $\lambda y + \mu z = 0$, $H_0 \cap S_0 = L_0 \cup Q_0$ where Q_0 is an irreducible quartic curve with a double point and an infinitely near double point. Hence S_0 is not a surface of general type.

In the remaining discussion we always assume $z \nmid g(z)$, $z \nmid f_5(1, 0, z)$. If $z^3 \nmid f_4(1, 0, z)$, then q is a rational double point E_6 .

If $z^3 \mid f_4(1, 0, z)$, then q is a minimally elliptic double point of the type II_a . Note that there is at most one such essential singularity. Let \tilde{S} be the minimal resolution of S . Then $|K_{\tilde{S}}|$ is cut out by all hyperplanes in \mathbf{P}^3 passing through the line L_0 : $y = 0$, $z = 0$. Since $L_0 \not\subset S_0$, \tilde{S} is a minimal surface with $p_g = 2$, $q = 0$, $K_{\tilde{S}}^2 = 1$. Hence S_0 is the surface of type III-II_a as stated in the theorem.

Thus far all possible cases have been discussed. \square

5. Normal quintic surfaces with a double point. Suppose S_0 is a normal quintic surface with an essential double point p . In §5.1 we will show that if p is not weakly elliptic then S_0 is not a surface of general type. Then in §5.2 we classify all normal quintic surfaces of general type with a weakly elliptic double point as the only essential singularity. Surfaces with several singularities will be treated in a separate section.

5.1 A double point is not elliptic. The major result of this subsection is

THEOREM 5.1. *Let S_0 be a normal quintic surface and let $\pi: \tilde{S} \rightarrow S_0$ be the minimal resolution of S_0 . If S_0 has a double point p which is neither rational nor weakly elliptic, then \tilde{S} is not a surface of general type.*

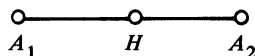
As a first step to prove the theorem, we show the following lemma. Denote the fundamental cycle of p by Z .

LEMMA 5.2. *If $\chi(Z) \leq -2$, then \tilde{S} is not a surface of general type.*

PROOF. Let $x^2 = g(y, z)$ be a representative equation of the double point p . If $\chi(Z) \leq -2$, then Theorem 3.7 implies that the zero locus of $g(y, z)$ has either an m -tuple point with $m \geq 8$ or an infinitely near n -tuple point with $n \geq 7$ at $(0, 0)$. So $\chi(\tilde{S}) \leq \chi(S_0) - 6 = -1$ by Theorem 2.12 and (2.5). Hence \tilde{S} is not a surface of general type by Theorem 2.3. \square

Therefore we only need to consider the case that $\chi(Z) = -1$. This is the hard part of the theorem. Let us look at some properties of this type of double points.

Let A be the exceptional set of an isolated singularity p . Suppose that $\chi(Z) = -1$. Unlike the weakly elliptic singularities, -1 is not necessarily the minimum value of $\chi(D)$ where D is an arbitrary cycle on A . An example is the double point p defined by $x^2 + y^6 + z^{12} = 0$, whose dual graph is



where H is a nonsingular curve of genus 2, A_1 and A_2 are rational curves, $H^2 = A_1^2 = A_2^2 = -2$. Hence $\chi(Z) = -1$ but $\chi(Z + H) = -2$.

However we still have the following result.

PROPOSITION 5.3. *Let p be an isolated singularity with $\chi(Z) = -1$. Then there is a unique cycle H such that $\chi(H) = -1$ and $H \leq D$ for any cycle D with $\chi(D) = -1$.*

PROOF. Let D be any cycle such that $D \leq Z$. The restriction map $\mathcal{O}_Z \rightarrow \mathcal{O}_D$ is surjective. Since $H^2(M, \mathcal{F}) = 0$ for any coherent sheaf \mathcal{F} on M , the map $H^1(M, \mathcal{O}_Z) \rightarrow H^1(M, \mathcal{O}_D)$ is also surjective. We know that $h^0(M, \mathcal{O}_Z) = 1$ [12, (2.6)].

Hence $\chi(D) \geq \chi(Z) = -1$. Here $\pi: M \rightarrow V$ is the minimal resolution of $p \in V$, V is affine.

If B, C are cycles such that $B \leq Z, C \leq Z$ and $\chi(B) = \chi(C) = -1$, then $B \wedge C \neq 0$, for otherwise $-1 \leq \chi(B + C) = \chi(B) + \chi(C) - BC \leq -2$, which is absurd. Thus

$$\begin{aligned} -1 &\leq \chi(B + C - B \wedge C) \\ &= \chi(B) + \chi(C) - \chi(B \wedge C) - (B - B \wedge C)(C - B \wedge C) \\ &\leq -1 - 1 + 1. \end{aligned}$$

Therefore $\chi(B \wedge C) = -1$.

This shows that there is a unique cycle H such that $\chi(H) = -1$ and $H \leq D$ for any cycle $D \leq Z$ with $\chi(D) = -1$.

It remains to show that $H \leq D$ for an arbitrary cycle D with $\chi(D) = -1$. For that purpose we need a lemma.

LEMMA 5.4. *Let Z be the fundamental cycle of some singularity and let D be a cycle such that $\chi(C) \geq 0$ for all $C \leq D \wedge Z$. Then $\chi(D) \geq 0$.*

PROOF OF THE LEMMA. We apply induction on the degree of D . If $D \leq Z$, then the lemma is trivial. If $D \not\leq Z$ then $\chi(D - D \wedge Z) \geq 0$ by the induction hypothesis. Hence

$$\begin{aligned} \chi(D) &= \chi(D \wedge Z) + \chi(D - D \wedge Z) - (D \wedge Z)(D - D \wedge Z) \\ &\geq -(D \wedge Z)(D - D \wedge Z) \\ &= (Z - D \wedge Z)(D - D \wedge Z) - Z(D - D \wedge Z) \geq 0. \quad \square \end{aligned}$$

We continue the proof of the proposition. Lemma 5.4 shows that if $\chi(D) < 0$ then there must be some cycle $C \leq D \wedge Z$ such that $\chi(C) = -1$. Hence $H \leq C \leq D \wedge Z \leq D$. \square

REMARK 5.13. (1) The above proof shows that $H \leq D$ for all cycles D such that $\chi(D) < 0$.

(2) The proposition will not be used in the proof of Theorem 5.1.

PROPOSITION 5.5. *Let p be a Gorenstein singularity with $\chi(Z) = -1$. Let K' be the canonical cycle. Then $K'^2 \leq Z^2 - 5$.*

PROOF. By the definition of canonical cycle, $A_i K' = -A_i K \leq 0$ for all irreducible components A_i of A . Hence $Z \leq K'$ by the definition of the fundamental cycle. Write $K' = Z + D$. Then $D > 0$ for p is not minimally elliptic. Since $ZK = -ZK' = -Z^2 - ZD$, we have $ZD = -Z^2 - ZK = 2\chi(Z) = -2$. Hence $K'^2 = (Z + D)^2 = Z^2 - 4 + D^2 \leq Z^2 - 5$ by Theorem 2. \square

PROOF OF THEOREM 5.1. It suffices to show that $\chi(Z) = -1$ implies that \tilde{S} is not of general type. We proceed by reduction to absurdity. So we suppose that \tilde{S} is of general type with $\chi(Z) = -1$.

Let S be a minimal model of \tilde{S} . Then there is a succession of blowing-ups

$$\tilde{S} = \tilde{S}_0 \xrightarrow{\sigma_1} \tilde{S}_1 \xrightarrow{\sigma_2} \tilde{S}_2 \xrightarrow{\sigma_3} \cdots \xrightarrow{\sigma_k} \tilde{S}_k = S.$$

Let \tilde{Z} be the sum of the fundamental cycles of all essential singularities. Denote the direct image of \tilde{Z} in \tilde{S}_i by Z_i for $0 \leq i \leq k$. Let a_i , E_i be the center and the exceptional curve of σ_i respectively.

Since $K_{\tilde{S}} \sim \pi^*H - K'$, where H is a hyperplane section on S_0 and K' is the canonical cycle, we have $K_{\tilde{S}}D \geq 0$ for any irreducible curve D on \tilde{S} which does not meet \tilde{Z} . Hence $a_i \in Z_i$ for all i . Let r_i be the multiplicity of E_i in Z_{i-1} and let t_i be the multiplicity of the curve Z_i at a_i .

Claim. The inequality $t_i > r_i$ holds for $1 \leq i \leq k$.

We prove the claim by induction. Since $r_1 = 0$, the claim is true for $i = 1$. For arbitrary i , we have

$$t_i = E_i(Z_{i-1} - r_i E_i) = E_i Z_{i-1} + r_i.$$

We may assume that $r_i \neq 0$; otherwise there will be nothing to prove. Then

$$\begin{aligned} t_i - r_i &= E_i Z_{i-1} = (\sigma_{i-1}^* E_i) Z_{i-2} = E_{i,i-1} Z_{i-2} + e_{i-1} E_{i-1} Z_{i-2} \\ &= E_{i,i-2} Z_{i-3} + e_{i-2} E_{i-2} Z_{i-3} + e_{i-1} E_{i-1} Z_{i-2} \\ &= \cdots = E_{i,1} Z_0 + \sum_{j=1}^{i-1} e_j E_j Z_{j-1}, \end{aligned}$$

where $E_{i,j}$ denotes the proper transform of E_i in \tilde{S}_{j-1} , and

$$e_j = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } a_j \in E_{i,j+1}, \\ 0 & \text{if } a_j \notin E_{i,j+1}. \end{cases}$$

In other words, we have the relation

$$t_i - r_i = E_{i,1} \tilde{Z} + \sum_{j=1}^{i-1} e_j (t_j - r_j).$$

Since $E_i^2 = -1$, we have $\sum_{j=1}^{i-1} e_j = -E_{i,1}^2 - 1$. Hence

$$(5.1) \quad t_i - r_i \geq E_{i,1} \tilde{Z} - E_{i,1}^2 - 1$$

by the induction hypothesis. The claim will be proved if we can show that

$$(5.2) \quad E_{i,1} \tilde{Z} - E_{i,1}^2 > 1.$$

Note that $\chi(\mathcal{O}_{\tilde{S}}) = \chi(\mathcal{O}_{S_0}) - \sum h = 5 - \sum h > 0$, where $\sum h$ is the sum of geometric genera of all essential singularities. Hence the geometric genus of p is either 3 or 4 and there is at most a minimally elliptic singularity as an essential singularity other than p .

By our assumption that $r_i \neq 0$, we infer that $E_{i,1} \leq Z$. If $E_{i,1} \not\leq Z$, then $E_{i,1}$ is a component of the fundamental cycle of a minimally elliptic singularity. So $E_{i,1} \tilde{Z} - E_{i,1}^2 = -E_{i,1} K_{\tilde{S}} - E_{i,1}^2 = 2$. Hence (5.2) is valid.

If $E_{i,1} \leq Z$, then $E_{i,1} \tilde{Z} = E_{i,1} Z$; there are the following cases:

- (1) $E_{i,1} Z = 0$. In this case (5.2) is trivial.
- (2) $E_{i,1} Z = -1$.

There are three possibilities:

(2a) $\text{Ord}(g) = 5$. Then the zero locus of $g(y, z)$ has only one infinitely near 5-tuple point and no other infinitely near m -tuple point with $m \geq 4$. Since $E_{i,1}$ is the

only component of Z such that $E_{i,1}Z = -1$, the canonical resolution of p shows that $E_{i,1}^2 \leq -3$. Hence (5.2) is true.

(2b) $\text{Ord}(g) = 6$. This is the case in §3 that $f_n^{-1}(\bar{E}_1)$ splits into two irreducible curves by Theorem 3.3. Since the zero locus of $g(y, z)$ has no infinitely near 6-tuple point at $(0, 0)$, $E_{i,1}^2 \leq -3$. Hence (5.2) is true.

(2c) $\text{Ord}(g) = 7$. As we have remarked, p is not of type II_a . If p is of type I, then $2E_{i,1} \leq Z$. Hence there is some e_j ($1 \leq j \leq i-1$) such that $e_j \geq 2$. Thus inequality (5.1) is strict. Since $E_{i,1}^2 \leq -2$, $t_i - r_i > 0$. If p is of type II_b , then one can see that the geometric genus of p is at least 5, which has already been excluded in our present discussion.

(3) $E_{i,1}Z = -2$.

Then p is a double point of type I with $\text{Ord}(g) = 6$. So $E_{i,1}^2 \leq -4$. Hence (5.2) is valid. Thus far we have proved the claim.

Let K_i be the canonical divisor of \tilde{S}_i . Then

$$Z_{i-1}K_{i-1} = (\sigma_i^*Z_i + (r_i - t_i)E_i)(\sigma_i^*K_i + E_i) = Z_iK_i + (t_i - r_i) > Z_iK_i.$$

Meanwhile,

$$(5.3) \quad Z_0K_0 = \tilde{Z}K_{\tilde{S}} = ZK_{\tilde{S}} + (\tilde{Z} - Z)K_{\tilde{S}} = -Z^2 + 2 + (\tilde{Z} - Z)K_{\tilde{S}}.$$

Since there is at most one minimally elliptic point as an essential singularity other than p , $\tilde{Z} - Z$ is either 0 or a minimally elliptic cycle. In any case (5.3) becomes $Z_0K_0 = -Z^2 + 2 - (\tilde{Z} - Z)^2$. Hence

$$(5.4) \quad k \leq -Z^2 + 2 - (\tilde{Z} - Z)^2$$

by Lemma 2.1. On the other hand,

$$(5.5) \quad 1 \leq K_k^2 = K_0^2 + k \leq Z^2 + (\tilde{Z} - Z)^2 + k$$

by Theorem 2.2 and Proposition 5.5 (with some trivial variation). Putting (5.4) and (5.5) together we have

$$1 - Z^2 - (\tilde{Z} - Z)^2 \leq k \leq 2 - Z^2 - (\tilde{Z} - Z)^2.$$

Hence $0 \leq Z_kK_k \leq 1$, $Z_k^2 \geq 1$, $K_k^2 \geq 1$, which contradicts the Algebraic Index Theorem. \square

5.2 Normal quintic surfaces with a weakly elliptic double point. We state the main theorem first.

THEOREM 5.6. *All normal quintic surfaces of general type with one double point as the only essential singularity are classified as follows:*

Type II_a : p is a minimally elliptic double point of type II_a , \tilde{S} is minimal, $p_g(\tilde{S}) = 3$, $q(\tilde{S}) = 0$, $K_{\tilde{S}}^2 = 4$;

Type II_a^2 : p is a weakly elliptic double point of type II_a with $h = 2$, \tilde{S} is minimal, $p_g(\tilde{S}) = 2$, $q(\tilde{S}) = 0$, $K_{\tilde{S}}^2 = 3$;

Type II_a^3 : p is a weakly elliptic double point of type II_a with $h = 3$, \tilde{S} is minimal, $p_g(\tilde{S}) = 1$, $q(\tilde{S}) = 0$, $K_{\tilde{S}}^2 = 2$;

Type II_b : p is a weakly elliptic double point of type II_b with $h = 2$, \tilde{S} is minimal, $p_g(\tilde{S}) = 2$, $q(\tilde{S}) = 0$, $K_{\tilde{S}}^2 = 2$;

Type I: p is a minimally elliptic double point of type I, \tilde{S} is minimal, $p_g(\tilde{S}) = 3$, $q(\tilde{S}) = 0$, $K_{\tilde{S}}^2 = 3$;

Type $I^{2,0}$: p is a weakly elliptic double point of type I with $h = 2$, $Z_{B_1}^2 = -2$, \tilde{S} is minimal, $p_g(\tilde{S}) = 2$, $q(\tilde{S}) = 0$, $K_{\tilde{S}}^2 = 1$;

Type $(I^{2,0})'$: p is a weakly elliptic double point of type I with $h = 2$, $Z_{B_1}^2 = -2$, \tilde{S} is the blowing-up of a minimal surface S with $p_g(S) = 2$, $q(S) = 0$, $K_S^2 = 2$;

Type $I^{1,1}$: p is a weakly elliptic double point of type I with $h = 2$, $Z_{B_1}^2 = -1$, \tilde{S} is minimal, $p_g(\tilde{S}) = 2$, $q(\tilde{S}) = 0$, $K_{\tilde{S}}^2 = 2$;

Type $(I^{2,1})'$: p is a weakly elliptic double point of type I with $h = 3$, $Z_{B_1}^2 = -2$, $Z_{B_2}^2 = -1$, \tilde{S} is the blowing-up of a minimal surface S , $p_g(S) = 1$, $q(S) = 0$, $K_S^2 = 1$;

Type $I^{1,2}$: p is a weakly elliptic double point of type I with $h = 3$, $Z_{B_1}^2 = Z_{B_2}^2 = -1$, \tilde{S} is minimal, $p_g(\tilde{S}) = 1$, $q(\tilde{S}) = 0$, $K_{\tilde{S}}^2 = 1$.

Here \tilde{S} is the minimal resolution of S , and Z_{B_1} and Z_{B_2} are defined in Definition 2.14.

EXAMPLES. (1) The equation $x^2 + xz^3 + y^3 + y^5 + x^5 = 0$ defines a normal quintic surface S_0 with a double point $p = (0, 0, 0)$, which is equivalent to the double point given by $x^2 = y^3 + z^6$. Hence this is a surface of type II_a . Note that the fundamental cycle is nonsingular.

(2) The equation $(x + z^3)^2 + (y - z^2)^3 + x^3y^2 + x^5 = 0$ gives a quintic surface of type II_a^2 . Actually $(0, 0, 0)$ is equivalent to the double point given by $x^2 + y^3 + z^{13} = 0$.

The surface has also a rational double point at infinity.

(3) The equation

$$\begin{aligned} & \left[(x + yz + z^3)^2 + (y - z^2)^3 \right] - \frac{3}{8} \left[2x^3(x + yz + z^3) - 2x^3z^3 - x^4 \right] + \frac{1}{32}x^5 \\ & - 3 \left[12xy(y - z^2)^2 - 4x(y - z^2)^3 - x(x + 2z^3)^2 \right] = 0 \end{aligned}$$

gives a quintic surface of type II_a^3 . In fact, $(0, 0, 0)$ is a double point equivalent to $x^2 + y^3 + z^{18} = 0$.

(4) The equation $(x + z^2)^2 + zy^4 + zx^3 = 0$ gives a quintic surface of type II_b .

(5) The equation $x^2 + y^4 + z^4 + x^5 = 0$ gives a quintic surface of type I. The fundamental cycle is a nonsingular elliptic curve.

(6) The equation $(x + z^2)^2 + y^4 + y^5 + x^4 = 0$ gives a quintic surface without a line through $(0, 0, 0)$. This is type $I^{2,0}$.

(7) The equation $x^2 + y^4 + xz^4 + x^5 = 0$ gives a quintic surface of type $(I^{2,0})'$. The fundamental cycle is given by

$$\begin{array}{ccccc} -2 & & -2 & & -2 \\ \circ & \text{---} & \circ & \text{---} & \circ \\ A_1 & & E1 & & A_2 \end{array}$$

where E1 is a nonsingular elliptic curve.

(8) The equation $(x - z^2)^2 + zy^3 + x^5 = 0$ gives a quintic surface of type $I^{1,1}$. The fundamental cycle is

$$\begin{array}{ccc} -1 & & -3 \\ \circ & \text{---} & \circ \\ E1 & & A \end{array}$$

(9) Let S_0 be a quintic surface defined by the equation

$$(5.6) \quad (x + ayz^2 + z^4)^2 + b(y + z^2)^4 + c(y + z^2)^3 z^2 + x^3 z^2 = 0,$$

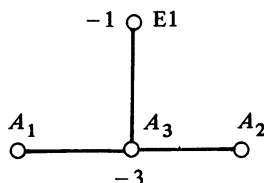
where $a = 3 + \sqrt{3}$, $b = 3 + 2\sqrt{3}$, $c = -2 - 2\sqrt{3}$. The left-hand side of (5.6) is

$$x^2 + 2axyz^2 + 2xz^4 + by^4 + 4by^2z^2 + cy^3z^2 + x^3z^2.$$

Hence S_0 is really a quintic surface. The double point $(0, 0, 0)$ is equivalent to that given by

$$x^2 + y^4 + y^3z^2 + z^{14} = 0.$$

The dual graph of the fundamental cycle Z on \tilde{S} is given by



where $E1$ is a nonsingular elliptic curve. The line L_0 : $x = 0$, $y = 0$ lies on S_0 . The proper transform \tilde{L} of L_0 in \tilde{S} meets A_3 transversally and does not meet any of $E1$, A_1 , A_2 . Hence $\tilde{L}K_{\tilde{S}} = 1 - \tilde{L}K' = -1$. That means that \tilde{L} is an exceptional curve of the first kind. Hence \tilde{S} is not a minimal surface. It can be checked that S_0 has at most rational double points besides $(0, 0, 0)$. Hence S_0 is of type $(I^{2,1})'$.

In order to prove the theorem, we need some lemmas.

LEMMA 5.7. *If p is a double point of type II, then \tilde{S} is a minimal surface.*

PROOF. The proof is quite similar to that of Theorem 5.1. Let S be a minimal model of \tilde{S} . Then there is a succession of blowing-ups

$$\tilde{S} = \tilde{S}_0 \xrightarrow{\sigma_1} \tilde{S}_1 \xrightarrow{\sigma_2} \tilde{S}_2 \rightarrow \cdots \xrightarrow{\sigma_k} \tilde{S}_k = S.$$

Denote the direct image of the fundamental cycle Z in \tilde{S}_i by Z_i . Let a_i , E_i be the center and exceptional curve of σ_i respectively. Then $a_i \in Z_i$ for the same reason as before. Let r_i be the multiplicity on E_i in Z_{i-1} . Let t_i be the multiplicity of the curve Z_i at a_i .

Claim. $t_i \geq r_i$ for $1 \leq i \leq k$.

We prove the claim by induction. Obviously it is true for $i = 1$. For arbitrary i , we have

$$(5.7) \quad t_i - r_i = E_{i,1}Z_0 + \sum_{j=1}^{i-1} e_j(t_j - r_j)$$

where $E_{i,j}$ denotes the proper transform of E_i in \tilde{S}_{j-1} , and

$$e_j = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } a_j \in E_{i,j+1}, \\ 0 & \text{if } a_j \notin E_{i,j+1}. \end{cases}$$

Since Z does not contain exceptional curves of the first kind, there must be some j such that $e_j = 1$ and $r_j = 0$. But $-1 \leq E_{i,1}Z_0 \leq 0$. Hence $t_i - r_i \geq 0$ by the induction hypothesis. Thus the claim is proved.

Suppose that $k \geq 1$. Then

$$Z_k K_k = Z_0 K_0 - \sum_{i=1}^k (t_i - r_i) = 1 - \sum_{i=1}^k (t_i - r_i) \leq 0.$$

Lemma 2.6 implies that $Z_k K_k = 0$. On the other hand, $Z_k^2 = Z_0^2 + \sum_{i=1}^k (t_i - r_i)^2 \geq 0$. We get a contradiction to the Algebraic Index Theorem. \square

LEMMA 5.8. *If p is a double point of type I, then \tilde{S} is either minimal or the blowing-up of a minimal surface.*

PROOF. Let the chain

$$\tilde{S} = \tilde{S}_0 \xrightarrow{\sigma_1} \tilde{S}_1 \xrightarrow{\sigma_2} \tilde{S}_2 \rightarrow \cdots \xrightarrow{\sigma_k} \tilde{S}_k = S$$

be defined in the same way as before. It suffices to show that $k \leq 1$.

Suppose that $k \geq 2$.

Claim. $t_1 > r_1$, $t_2 > r_2$, $t_i \geq r_i$ for $3 \leq i \leq k$.

We use the induction to prove $t_i \geq r_i$. If $E_{i,1} Z_0 \geq -1$, then (5.7) implies that $t_i - r_i \geq 0$. If $E_{i,1} Z_0 = -2$, then $\text{Ord}(g) = 4$ and $E_{i,1}^2 = -4$. Thus there must be at least two nonzero summands inside the summation of the right-hand side of (5.7). Therefore $t_i \geq r_i$.

When $i = 2$, (5.7) becomes

$$(5.8) \quad t_2 - r_2 = E_{2,1} Z_0 + t_1.$$

If $E_{2,1} Z_0 = 0$, then (5.8) implies that $t_2 - r_2 > 0$ immediately. If $E_{2,1} Z_0 = -1$, then $E_{2,1}$ is not a component of B_1 (cf. Definition 2.14). Since \tilde{S} is the minimal resolution of S_0 , $E_1 \pi^* H > 0$. Hence $-1 = E_1 K_{\tilde{S}} = E_1 \pi^* H - E_1 K' \geq 1 - E_1 K'$, so $E_1 Z_0 = E_1 K' \geq 2$. Hence $t_1 \geq 2$, which implies $t_2 - r_2 > 0$. The case $E_{2,1} Z_0 = -2$ cannot happen because $E_{2,1}^2 = -2$. Therefore the claim is true.

By the claim we have $2 = Z_0 K_0 > Z_1 K_1 > Z_2 K_2 \geq \cdots \geq Z_k K_k \geq 0$. Hence $Z_k K_k = 0$. Meanwhile $Z_k^2 \geq 0$, $K_k^2 > 0$. We get a contradiction. \square

LEMMA 5.9. *Let p be a double point of type I. Assume that $Z_{B_1}^2 = -1$. Then \tilde{S} is minimal.*

PROOF. It is obvious that the linear system $|K_{\tilde{S}} + \sum_{i \geq 1} Z_{B_i}|$ is cut out by all hyperplanes in \mathbf{P}^3 passing through p . Hence $D(K_{\tilde{S}} + \sum_{i \geq 1} Z_{B_i}) \geq 0$ for any effective divisor D on \tilde{S} which is not a component of Z . Therefore if there is an exceptional curve E on \tilde{S} then $E(\sum_{i \geq 1} Z_{B_i}) > 0$. In particular, $E Z_{B_1} > 0$. Let $\tau: \tilde{S} \rightarrow S$ be the contraction of E . Suppose that $\tau^* \tau_* Z_{B_1} = Z_{B_1} + rE$. Then

$$(\tau_* Z_{B_1})^2 = Z_{B_1}^2 + r^2 = r^2 - 1 \geq 0,$$

while

$$(\tau_* Z_{B_1}) K_S = Z_{B_1} (\tau^* K_S) = Z_{B_1} (K_{\tilde{S}} - E) = -r + 1.$$

The intersection matrix of the divisor $\tau_* Z_{B_1}$ and K_S becomes

$$\begin{pmatrix} r^2 - 1 & 1 - r \\ 1 - r & K_S^2 \end{pmatrix}.$$

This is a nonnegative definite matrix. Hence we get a contradiction to the Algebraic Index Theorem. \square

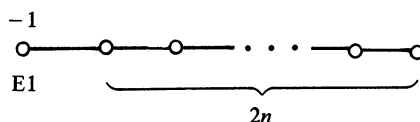
LEMMA 5.10 (YAU [18]). If p is a weakly elliptic double point, then $Z^2 \leq Z_{B_1}^2 \leq \dots \leq Z_{B_m}^2 < 0$, where $\{Z_{B_0} = Z, Z_{B_1}, \dots, Z_{B_m}\}$ is the elliptic sequence of p .

PROOF. Let $\pi: \tilde{S} \rightarrow S_0$ be the minimal resolution of p . Then $A_i K_{\tilde{S}} \geq 0$ for any irreducible component A_i of Z . As $Z \geq Z_{B_1} \geq \dots \geq Z_{B_m}$, we have $K_{\tilde{S}} Z \geq K_{\tilde{S}} Z_{B_1} \geq \dots \geq K_{\tilde{S}} Z_{B_m}$. Since $\chi(Z_{B_i}) = 0$ for all i , the Adjunction Formula implies the inequality we want. \square

DEFINITION 5.11 (YAU [19]). Let p be a weakly elliptic singularity on a surface. If the geometric genus h of p is equal to the length of the elliptic sequence, then p is called a *maximally elliptic singularity*.

Yau proved that h cannot be greater than the length of the elliptic sequence if p is Gorenstein. He also showed an example (due to Laufer) in which p is given by $x^2 = z(y^4 + z^6)$, $h = 2$, while the length of the elliptic sequence is 3. Actually there are more double points of this kind.

EXAMPLE 5.12. Let p be a weakly elliptic double point given by $x^2 = z(y^4 + z^{4n+2})$ ($n \geq 1$). Then $h = n + 1$ by Theorem 2.12. The dual graph is

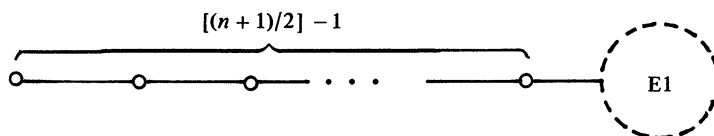


where $E1$ is a nonsingular elliptic curve. Hence the length of the elliptic sequence is $2n + 1$.

We will show that the above-given series of double points are essentially the only weakly elliptic double points which are not maximally elliptic.

PROPOSITION 5.13. All weakly elliptic double points of type I or type II_a are maximally elliptic.

PROOF. If p is of type II_a , then p can be represented by $x^2 = g(y, z)$, where $\text{Ord}(g) = 3$. Suppose that the locus $g(y, z) = 0$ has n infinitely near triple points over $(0, 0)$. Then the geometric genus h of p is equal to $[(n + 1)/2]$ according to Theorem 2.12. The weighted dual graph is

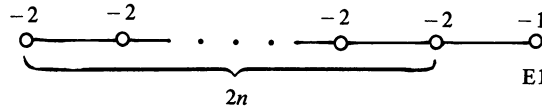


where $E1$ is the minimally elliptic cycle with $E1^2 = -1$. It is easy to see that the length of the elliptic sequence is $[(n + 1)/2]$.

For the double point p of type I, we apply induction on the geometric genus h of p . We may assume that p is not minimally elliptic. By Theorem 3.3, $Z = \bar{Z}$ on \tilde{S} . Hence the image of Z_{B_1} in Y_1 (for notation see §3) is a point s on E_1 , as $Z_{B_1} Z = 0$. Since $4 \leq \text{Ord}(g) \leq 5$, $p_1 = f_1^{-1}(s)$ is the only double point on X_1 which is not rational. The geometric genus h_1 of p_1 is equal to $h - 1$, which is equal to the length of the elliptic sequence of p_1 by the induction hypothesis. Obviously $Z_{B_1}, Z_{B_2}, \dots, Z_{B_m}$ is the elliptic sequence of p_1 by definition. Hence the proposition is true. \square

PROPOSITION 5.14. *Let p be a weakly elliptic double point. The following statements are equivalent:*

- (i) p is not maximally elliptic;
- (ii) the type of p is II_b ;
- (iii) p can be represented by an equation $x^2 = g(y, z)$ with $\text{Ord}(g) = 5$ such that the weighted dual graph is

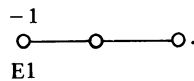


where E_1 is a nonsingular elliptic curve, and the geometric genus of p is equal to $n + 1$.

PROOF. Proposition 5.13 implies that (i) \Rightarrow (ii). The part (iii) \Rightarrow (i) is trivial by the definition. It remains to prove (ii) \Rightarrow (iii). So we assume that p is of type II_b . Then $\text{Ord}(g) = 5$. Let Z' be the redundancy cycle. Using the notation in §3, we have $Z = A_0 + D$, $Z' = A_0 + D'$ with $D' \leq D$ and $A_0 \not\leq D$. We also have $-1 = A_0 \bar{Z} = A_0(2A_0 + D + D') = 2A_0^2 + A_0D + A_0D'$. On the other hand, by the definition of Z' we have $-1 = A_0Z' = A_0^2 + A_0D'$. These two equalities yield $A_0(D - D') = 1$. Let B_1 be the branch locus of f_1 . Then $E_1(B_1 - E_1) = 5$. Since p is weakly elliptic, $E_1 \cap (B_1 - E_1)$ consists of at least two points. Since $\chi(Z') = 0$, p is not minimally elliptic. Hence there must be some point s on $E_1 \cap (B_1 - E_1)$ such that

$$(E_1, B_1 - E_1)_s \geq 3.$$

Suppose $B_1 \cap (B_1 - E_1)$ consists of three points. Then B_1 will meet $B_1 - E_1$ at two points transversally. That will contradict the fact that $A_0(D - D') = 1$. Assume that $E_1 \cap (B_1 - E_1) = \{s, s'\}$. Since Z' is an elliptic cycle, $(E_1, B_1 - E_1)_s = 3$ is impossible. Hence $(E_1, B_1 - E_1)_s = 4$, $(E_1, B_1 - E_1)_{s'} = 1$. Since there is only one component A_i of Z such that $A_i Z' > 0$ and in this situation the inverse image of s' in X^* has this property, each component of the inverse image of s' in X^* must be a component of Z' . Therefore s cannot be a double or a quadruple point of B_1 . If s is a triple point of B_1 , there must be an infinitely near triple point over it for p is not minimally elliptic. Hence $h = 2$ and the dual graph of the fundamental cycle is



If s is a 5-tuple point of B_1 , then I claim that $f_1^{-1}(s)$ is a double point of type II_b on X_1 . In fact, $(Z' - A_0)A_i \leq 0$ for each component A_i of $Z' - A_0$, so $f_1^{-1}(s)$ is not of type I. Moreover, there is no infinitely near 5-tuple point over s . Hence $f_1^{-1}(s)$ cannot be of type II_a .

Now we can repeat the same discussion or rather use induction to finish the proof.

□

PROOF OF THEOREM 5.6. If p is a double point of type II_a , then S_0 can only be of type II_a or II_a^2 or II_a^3 because of Theorem 2.16. If p is of type II_b , then \tilde{S} is minimal by Lemma 5.7. Suppose that $h = n + 1$. Then $K_{\tilde{S}}^2 = 5 - (2n + 1) = 4 - 2n$. Hence $n = 1$. Suppose that p is of type I. Let $\{Z, Z_{B_1}, \dots, Z_{B_m}\}$ be the elliptic sequence. If $Z_{B_i}^2 = -2$ for all i , then $K_{\tilde{S}}^2 = 5 - 2(m + 1)$. By Lemma 5.8 and Theorem 2.2, we

have $m \leq 1$. If $m = 0$, then \tilde{S} is minimal because $|K_{\tilde{S}}|$ has no fixed component which is exceptional. If $m = 1$ then S_0 is either of type $I^{2,0}$ or of type $(I^{2,0})'$ depending upon whether \tilde{S} is minimal or not. If $Z_{B_1}^2 = -1$, then \tilde{S} is minimal by Lemma 5.9. Since $K_{\tilde{S}}^2 = 5 - 2 - m > 0$, we have $m \leq 2$. Finally, if $Z_{B_1}^2 = -2$ and $Z_{B_m}^2 = -1$, then $K_{\tilde{S}}^2 \geq 5 - 4 - 1 = 0$ and the equality holds if $m = 2$. In order that \tilde{S} is of general type, \tilde{S} must not be minimal. So this type is $(I^{2,1})'$. Thus far we have covered all possible cases. \square

REMARK. The existence of a quintic surface of type $I^{1,2}$ is still unknown.

6. Normal quintic surfaces of general type with more than one essential singularity.

In this section we are going to find all the remaining quintic surfaces of general type. First we only consider surfaces with minimally elliptic double and triple points and then we take all weakly elliptic points into account.

6.1 *Surfaces with minimally elliptic points.* As before, we denote three types of weakly elliptic double points by I , II_a and II_b . We denote a weakly elliptic triple point by III . Without special mention we will assume all essential singular points minimally elliptic. We denote a quintic surface with m singular points p_1, \dots, p_m of types t_1, \dots, t_m by (t_1, \dots, t_m) , e.g., (I, II_a, II_a) , (II_a, III) , etc.

THEOREM 6.1. *All normal quintic surfaces of general type with more than one minimally elliptics point as the only essential singularities are classified as follows:*

Type	$p_g(S)$	K_S^2	
(I, I)	2	1	<i>The line passing the two double points is not on the surface.</i>
$(I, I)'$	2	2	<i>The line passing the two double points is on the surface.</i>
(I, II_a)	2	2	
$(I, I, II_a)'$	1	1	<i>The line passing I, I is on the surface.</i>
(I, II_a, II_a)	1	1	
(II_a, II_a)	2	3	
(II_a, II_a, II_a)	1	2	
(II_a, III)	2	1	
$(I, III)'$	2	1	<i>The line passing the two double points is on the surface.</i>

Here the prime “'” means that the minimal resolution of the quintic surface contains exactly one exceptional curve of the first kind; S is a minimal model.

PROOF. Since each essential singular point reduces the Euler characteristic by 1, a quintic surface of general type can have at most four essential singular points.

Let S_0 be a quintic surface of general type which has m_I double points of type I , m_{II_a} double points of type II_a and m_{III} triple points. Then $m_I + m_{II_a} + m_{III} \leq 4$. Let $\pi: \tilde{S} \rightarrow S_0$ be the minimal resolution of S_0 . Let $\tau: \tilde{S} \rightarrow S$ be a birational morphism onto a minimal model S of \tilde{S} .

We need some lemmas.

LEMMA 6.2. *Let E be an exceptional curve of the first kind on \tilde{S} . Then $\pi(E)$ must pass through at least two minimally elliptic points.*

PROOF. If $\pi(E)$ does not pass through any essential singular points, then $EK_{\tilde{S}} \geq 0$. Hence E cannot be an exceptional curve of the first kind. If $\pi(E)$ passes only one singular point p_i , then $K_{\tilde{S}} \sim \pi^*H - C_i - \sum_{j \neq i} C_j$ where H is a generic hyperplane section passing through p_i and C_j 's are all elliptic cycles of the essential singularities. Since $EC_j = 0$ for $j \neq i$ and $\pi^*H - C_i$ is an effective divisor not containing E , $EK_{\tilde{S}} \geq 0$. Hence E cannot be an exceptional curve of the first kind. \square

LEMMA 6.3. *If $m_{\text{III}} \geq 2$, then \tilde{S} is not a surface of general type.*

PROOF. Let L be a line passing through two triple points. For a generic hyperplane H passing through L , $H \cap S_0$ is the union of L and a quartic curve Q with at least two double points. Since the geometric genus of Q is 0 or 1, the projection from L induces a morphism from \tilde{S} onto \mathbf{P}^1 , of which the generic fibre is a rational or elliptic curve. \square

LEMMA 6.4. *If $m_{\text{III}} \leq 1$, then $3m_{\text{I}}/2 + m_{\text{II}_a} + 2m_{\text{III}} \leq 4$.*

PROOF. Let \tilde{C}_i be an elliptic cycle on \tilde{S} of an elliptic point p_i on S_0 . Let C_i be the direct image of \tilde{C}_i in S . By the Algebraic Index Theorem, $C_i^2 < 0$. Hence there are at most two (one, zero resp.) exceptional curves whose direct images in S_0 pass through III (I, II_a resp.). Since $m_{\text{III}} \leq 1$, $\pi(E)$ must pass through a double point by Lemma 6.2 for any exceptional curve E of first kind. Hence $\tau(A_j)$ is not a point for any component A_j of the exceptional set of π , so we have $K_{\tilde{S}}^2 - K_S^2 \leq (m_{\text{I}} + 2m_{\text{III}})/2$. On the other hand, $K_{\tilde{S}}^2 = 5 + \sum \tilde{C}_i^2 = 5 - 2m_{\text{I}} - m_{\text{II}_a} - 3m_{\text{III}}$. The result follows immediately from the criterion $K_{\tilde{S}}^2 > 0$. \square

To prove the theorem, it suffices to consider the following three cases:

Case 1. $m_{\text{I}} + m_{\text{II}_a} + m_{\text{III}} = 2$ and $m_{\text{III}} \leq 1$.

The canonical system $|K_{\tilde{S}}|$ is cut out by all hyperplanes in \mathbf{P}^3 passing through the two singular points. Let L be the line passing through these two points. If $L \subset S_0$ then the proper transform of L in \tilde{S} is the only exceptional curve of the first kind on \tilde{S} . If $L \not\subset S_0$, then \tilde{S} is minimal. Suppose $L \subset S_0$ and $m_{\text{II}_a} \neq 0$. Let \tilde{C} be the elliptic cycle on \tilde{S} of a double point of type II_a. Let C be the direct image of \tilde{C} in S . Since $\tilde{C}^2 = -1$, we have $C^2 = 0$ and $CK_S = 0$. This contradicts the Algebraic Index Theorem. Hence S_0 can only be one of the types (I, I), (I, I)', (I, II_a), (II_a, II_a), (I, III)', (II_a, III).

Case 2. $m_{\text{I}} + m_{\text{II}_a} + m_{\text{III}} = 3$ and $m_{\text{III}} \leq 1$.

If $m_{\text{III}} = 1$, then $m_{\text{I}} = 0$, $m_{\text{II}_a} = 2$ by Lemma 6.4. Hence \tilde{S} is minimal by Lemma 6.2. But $K_{\tilde{S}}^2 = 0$ contradicts the assumption that \tilde{S} is of general type. Hence there are no triple points on S_0 .

These three double points cannot be on a line. Otherwise the line L passing through them would be on S_0 . Then the proper transform \tilde{L} of L on \tilde{S} would satisfy $\tilde{L}K_{\tilde{S}} \leq -2$, which is impossible.

The canonical system $|K_{\tilde{S}}|$ is cut out by the plane H passing through these three double points. An exceptional curve of the first kind is the proper transform of either a line passing through two double points or a degree r ($2 \leq r \leq 5$) rational curve on H passing through the double points $r + 1$ times. By the Algebraic Index Theorem, it is easy to see that there is at most one exceptional curve of the first kind on S , and S is minimal if $m_{\Pi_a} \geq 2$. On the other hand,

$$K_S^2 = 5 - 2m_I - m_{\Pi_a} \begin{cases} > 0 & \text{if } \tilde{S} \text{ is minimal,} \\ \geq 0 & \text{if } \tilde{S} \text{ is not minimal} \end{cases}$$

by Theorem 2.7. Hence S_0 can only be one of the types $(I, I, \Pi_a)'$, (I, Π_a, Π_a) , (Π_a, Π_a, Π_a) .

Case 3. $m_I + m_{\Pi_a} + m_{\Pi_{III}} = 4$ and $m_{\Pi_{III}} \leq 1$.

The only possibility is $m_I = m_{\Pi_{III}} = 0$, $m_{\Pi_a} = 4$ in terms of Lemma 6.4. But this surface does not exist by Theorem 2.9.

Therefore the list is complete. It is easy to check the values p_g and K_S^2 . \square

THEOREM 6.5. *All the surfaces in Theorem 6.1 are regular.*

PROOF. The irregularity of S is $q = \chi(S) - 1 - p_g = \chi(\tilde{S}) - 1 - p_g$. By (2.5),

$$\chi(\tilde{S}) = \chi(S_0) - (m_I + m_{\Pi_a} + m_{\Pi_{III}}) = 5 - (m_I + m_{\Pi_a} + m_{\Pi_{III}}).$$

Theorem 6.1 shows that $p_g = 4 - (m_I + m_{\Pi_a} + m_{\Pi_{III}})$. Hence $q = 0$. \square

EXAMPLES. Here we give various examples to show the existence of the surfaces in Theorem 6.1. We only give the details of the verification in the first example. All the other examples can be verified by the same method. All equations are given in terms of three variables x, y, z . The remaining letters a, b, c, d, \dots are generic parameters.

(1) The equation $(x + z)^2 + (x + z)z^2 + by^4 + cy^4z + dx^4z = 0$ gives a quintic surface S_0 of type (I, I) . We verify it by the following procedure:

(i) At $p_1 = (0, 0, 0)$, S_0 has a double point which is equivalent to that given by $x^2 + y^4 + z^4 = 0$. This is a minimally elliptic double point of type I with a nonsingular elliptic curve as fundamental cycle.

(ii) At $p_2 = (0, 0, \infty)$, the equation of S_0 becomes

$$t^3(x + 1)^2 + t^2(x + 1) + bty^4 + cy^4 + dx^4 = 0,$$

which has a double point equivalent to $t^2 + y^4 + x^4 = 0$.

(iii) The line passing through p_1 and p_2 is not on S_0 .

(iv) The surface S_0 is smooth at all other points. Actually, if we take $b = 1$, $c = d = 0$, then the Jacobian condition for a singular point on S_0 is

$$(6.1) \quad \begin{cases} (x + z)^2 + (x + z)z^2 + y^4 = 0, & 2(x + z) + z^2 = 0, \\ 4y^3 = 0, & 2(x + z) + z^2 + 2(x + z)z = 0. \end{cases}$$

The only solution of (6.1) is $x = 0$, $y = 0$, $z = 0$. By Bertini's Theorem, S_0 is smooth in $\mathbb{C}^3 \setminus \{(0, 0, 0)\}$. Using a similar method one can check that S_0 is smooth at all points except p_1 and p_2 .

(2) The equation $ax^2 + bx^2z^3 + cxz^2 + dy^3z + ey^5 + fx^5 = 0$ gives a quintic surface S_0 of type $(I, I)'$. The two minimally elliptic double points are $p_1 = (0, 0, 0)$ and $p_2 = (0, 0, \infty)$. The line $L: x = 0, y = 0$ passing through p_1 and p_2 is on S_0 .

(3) The equation $ax^2 + bz^3 + cxy^3 + dx^4z + ey^4z = 0$ gives a quintic surface of type (I, II_a) . The point $(0, 0, 0)$ is a minimally elliptic double point of type II_a while $(0, 0, \infty)$ is of type I.

(4) The equation $ax^2 + bz^3 + cxy^3 + dy^3z^2 + ex^3z = 0$ gives a quintic surface S_0 of type (II_a, II_a) . The two minimally elliptic double points are $(0, 0, 0)$ and $(0, 0, \infty)$. The surface S_0 has also two rational double points $(0, \infty, 0)$ and $(\infty, 0, 0)$.

(5) The equation $ax^2 + by^3 + cxz^3 + dx^2y^3 + ey^5 = 0$ gives a quintic surface of type (II_a, III) . The point $(0, 0, 0)$ is a minimally elliptic double point of type II_a while $(\infty, 0, 0)$ is a minimally elliptic triple point.

(6) The equation $ax^2 + bxz^2 + cy^4 + dy^3z^2 + ex^5 = 0$ gives a quintic surface S_0 of type $(I, III)'$. The point $(0, 0, 0)$ is a minimally elliptic double point of type I, while $(0, 0, \infty)$ is a minimally elliptic triple point. The line $L: x = 0, y = 0$ lies on S_0 .

6.2 *All the remaining cases.* As before we denote an elliptic double point of type I by I^{k_1, k_2} , an elliptic double point of type II_a by II_a^k , an elliptic double point of type II_b with geometric genus 2 (cf. §5.2) by II_b .

THEOREM 6.6. *All quintic surfaces of general type with more than one essential singularity, among which at least one has geometric genus greater than one, are listed as follows:*

Type	$p_g(S)$	K_S^2
$(I^{2,0}, II_a)'$	1	1
$(I^{1,1}, I)'$	1	1
$(I^{1,1}, II_a)$	1	1
(I, II_a^2)	1	1
(II_a^2, II_a)	1	2
(II_a, II_b)	1	1

PROOF. Let S_0 be a quintic surface of general type. We know that S_0 has at most one triple point and this triple point must be minimally elliptic. Let $m_{I^{k_1, k_2}}$ be the number of double points of type I^{k_1, k_2} , let $m_{II_a^k}$ be the number of double points of type II_a^k , let m_{II_b} be the number of double points of type II_b and let m_{III} be the number of minimally elliptic triple points on S_0 . Similar to Lemma 6.4, we have

LEMMA 6.7.

$$\frac{1}{2} \left(\sum_{k_1, k_2} m_{I^{k_1, k_2}} (3k_1 + 2k_2) \right) + \sum_k m_{II_a^k} k + 3m_{II_b} + 2m_{III} \leq 4.$$

PROOF. Let \tilde{C}_i be an elliptic cycle on \tilde{S} of an essential singularity p_i on S_0 . Let C_i be the direct image of \tilde{C}_i in S . By the Algebraic Index Theorem, $C_i^2 < 0$. Hence there are at most two (one, zero, zero resp.) exceptional curves passing through III (I, II_a, II_b resp.). On the other hand, Lemma 6.2 is still true if we take any elliptic point with geometric genus h as h minimally elliptic points concentrating at a single point. Hence

$$K_S^2 - K_{\tilde{S}}^2 \leq \frac{1}{2} \left(\sum_{k_1, k_2} m_{I^{k_1, k_2}} k_1 + 2m_{III} \right).$$

Meanwhile, we have

$$K_S^2 = 5 - \sum_{k_1, k_2} m_{I^{k_1, k_2}} (2k_1 + k_2) - \sum_k m_{II^k} k - 3m_{II_b} - 3m_{III}.$$

Since $K_S^2 > 0$, the result follows immediately. \square

We continue the proof of the theorem. By our assumption, either there is some I^{k_1, k_2} with $k_1 + k_2 \geq 2$ or there is some II_a^k with $k \geq 2$ or there is some II_b .

Case 1. $m_{II_b} \neq 0$.

Then m_{II_b} must be 1. It is clear by Lemma 6.7 that $m_{III} = 0$, $m_{I^{k_1, k_2}} = 0$ for all $k_1 > 0$, $m_{II^k} = 0$ for all $k > 1$ and $m_{II_a} = 1$.

Case 2. $m_{II_b} = 0$ and $m_{III} = 1$.

Then S_0 must be either $(I^{1,1}, III)''$ or $(II_a^2, III)'$ by Lemma 6.7. But this cannot happen by the Algebraic Index Theorem.

Case 3. $m_{II_b} = m_{III} = 0$.

If there is some I^{k_1, k_2} with $k_1 \geq 2$, then $k_1 = 2$, $k_2 = 0$ and S_0 must be $(I^{2,0}, II_a)'$.

If there is some $I^{1,1}$, then $m_{I^{1,1}} = 1$. Lemma 6.7 implies that $3m_{I^{1,0}}/2 + \sum_k m_{II_a^k} k \leq 2$. Hence either $m_{I^{1,0}} = 1$, $m_{II_a^k} = 0$ for all k , or $m_{I^{1,0}} = 0$. In the former case, S_0 is $(I^{1,1}, I)'$. In the latter case, S_0 will be one of $(I^{1,1}, II_a)$, $(I^{1,1}, II_a^2)'$ and $(I^{1,1}, II_a, II_a)'$. But neither $(I^{1,1}, II_a)'$ nor $(I^{1,1}, II_a, II_a)'$ exists by the Algebraic Index Theorem.

If all the elliptic double points of type I are minimally elliptic, then there is some II_a^k with $k \geq 2$. Lemma 6.7 shows that all possible S_0 's are (I, II_a^2) , (II_a^2, II_a) , (II_a^2, II_a^2) , (II_a^2, II_a, II_a) , (II_a^3, II_a) . But the last three surfaces have geometric genus 0, which do not exist by Theorem 2.9. \square

THEOREM 6.8. *All the surfaces in Theorem 6.6 are regular.*

PROOF. By (2.6),

$$\chi(\tilde{S}) = 5 - \left(\sum_{k_1, k_2} m_{I^{k_1, k_2}} (k_1 + k_2) + \sum_k m_{II_a^k} k + m_{II_b} + m_{III} \right),$$

which is equal to 2 for all six types of surfaces in Theorem 6.6. Hence $q = 1 + p_g - \chi(\tilde{S}) = 0$. \square

EXAMPLES. (1) The equation $ax^2 + by^4 + cxz^4 + dx^3 + ex^2z^3 + fxy^3 = 0$ gives a quintic surface of type $(I^{2,0}, II_a)'$. The double point $(0, 0, 0)$ is equivalent to the double point given by $x^2 + y^4 + z^8 = 0$, while the double point $(\infty, 0, 0)$ is equivalent to that given by $x^2 + y^3 + z^6 = 0$. The line L_0 : $x = 0$, $y = 0$ lies on S_0 .

(2) The equation $(x + z^2)^2 + (x + z^2)z^5 - 2(x + z^2)^2z^3 + (x + z^2)^3z + zy^3 + xy^3 = 0$ gives a quintic surface of type $(I^{1,1}, II_a)$. The double point $(0, 0, 0)$ is equivalent to that given by $x^2 + y^3z + z^{10} = 0$, while the double point $(\infty, 0, 0)$ is equivalent to that given by $t^2 + z^3 + y^6 = 0$.

(3) The equation $a[(x + z^3)^2 + (y - z^2)^3] + bx^3yz + cx^5 = 0$ gives a quintic surface of type (I, II_a^2) . The double point $(0, 0, 0)$ is equivalent to that given by $x^2 + y^3 + z^{12} = 0$, while the double point $(0, \infty, 0)$ is equivalent to that given by $t^2 + z^4 + x^3z = 0$.

(4) The equation

$$(x + z^2)^2 + (x + z^2)^3 - 3(x + z^2)^2 z^2 + 2(x + z^2) z^4 + y^4 z \\ + 2x^3 z + x^3 z^2 + xy^3 z + (x + z^2) y^3 = 0$$

gives a quintic surface of type (II_a, II_b) . The double point $(0, 0, 0)$ is equivalent to that given by $x^2 + y^4 z + z^7 = 0$, while the double point $(\infty, 0, 0)$ is equivalent to that given by $z^2 + t^3 + y^6 = 0$.

7. Quintic surfaces with singular curves. Let S_0 be a quintic surface and let $\pi: \tilde{S} \rightarrow S_0$ be the minimal resolution of S_0 . In this section we show the following theorem.

THEOREM 7.1. *If S_0 is a quintic surface of general type, then it must be normal.*

The theorem can be proved by the following sequence of lemmas.

LEMMA 7.2. *If the singular locus of a quintic surface S_0 contains a singular curve with multiplicity greater than 2, then the minimal resolution \tilde{S} of S_0 is a ruled surface.*

PROOF. Let C be a m -tuple curve on S_0 with $m \geq 3$.

If C is not a line, take a generic line L in \mathbf{P}^3 . The line L gives rise to a projection $p: S_0 \rightarrow \mathbf{P}^1$. A generic fibre of p is the hyperplane section D of S_0 by a generic plane H passing through L , which is a quintic curve with n m -tuple points where n is the degree of C . The geometric genus of D is $6 - nm(m-1)/2$. Since $m \geq 3$, $n \geq 2$ by our assumption, we have $n = 2$ and $m = 3$. Hence D is a rational curve. Hence \tilde{S} is a ruled surface.

If C is a line, let $p: S_0 \rightarrow \mathbf{P}^1$ be the projection from C . For a generic plane H passing through L , $H \cap S_0$ is the union of C and a rational curve. Hence \tilde{S} is still a ruled surface. \square

LEMMA 7.3. *Suppose that the quintic surface S_0 contains a double line L . Then \tilde{S} is not a surface of general type.*

PROOF. Let $p: S_0 \rightarrow \mathbf{P}^1$ be the projection from L . For a generic plane H passing through L , $H \cap S_0$ is the union of L and a singular rational curve or a nonsingular elliptic curve depending on whether S_0 contains other multiple curves or not. This implies that \tilde{S} is a fibration of rational or elliptic curves. \square

LEMMA 7.4. *If the singular locus of a quintic surface S_0 contains a curve of degree greater than 4, then the minimal resolution \tilde{S} of S_0 is not a surface of general type.*

PROOF. The projection from a generic line in \mathbf{P}^3 will give \tilde{S} a structure of fibration of elliptic or rational curves. \square

LEMMA 7.5. *If the singular locus of a quintic surface S_0 contains a conic Q , then \tilde{S} is not a surface of general type.*

PROOF. Let $\pi: T \rightarrow \mathbf{P}^3$ be the blowing-up of \mathbf{P}^3 with center at Q . Let E be the exceptional divisor. Then $K_T \sim \pi^* K_{\mathbf{P}^3} + E$. Let S' be the proper transform of S_0 .

The adjoint system $|K_T + S'|$ of the surface S' is $|\pi^*H - E|$, where H is a hyperplane in \mathbf{P}^3 . We may take H to be the plane on which Q is located. Then $H \cap S_0 = Q \cup L$, where L is a line. Let L' be the proper transform of L in S' . Then L' is cut out by the adjoint system $|\pi^*H - E|$. Let \tilde{S} be the minimal resolution of S' . The canonical divisor $K_{\tilde{S}}$ is linearly equivalent to $\tilde{L} - D$, where \tilde{L} is the proper transform of L' and D is some effective divisor. The adjunction formula implies $-2 = \tilde{L}^2 + \tilde{L}K_{\tilde{S}} = 2\tilde{L}K_{\tilde{S}} + \tilde{L}D$. Since \tilde{L} is not a component of D , $\tilde{L}D \geq 0$. Hence $\tilde{L}K_{\tilde{S}} < 0$. Suppose that \tilde{S} is a surface of general type. Then \tilde{L} is an exceptional curve of the first kind, which implies that the minimal model of \tilde{S} is either a ruled surface or a $K3$ surface. This leads to a contradiction. \square

LEMMA 7.6. *If the singular locus of a quintic surface S_0 contains a curve C of degree 3, then \tilde{S} is not a surface of general type.*

PROOF. By Lemmas 7.2, 7.3 and 7.5 we may assume that C is irreducible. It is clear that C is not a plane curve, for otherwise the plane where C is located would be a component of S_0 . Hence C is a twisted cubic curve. Let $\pi: T \rightarrow \mathbf{P}^3$ be the blowing-up of \mathbf{P}^3 at C , and let E be the exceptional divisor. Obviously the linear system $|2(\pi^*H - E)|$ on T is empty, where H is a hyperplane in \mathbf{P}^3 . Hence $|2K_{\tilde{S}}|$ is empty, where \tilde{S} is the minimal resolution of the proper transform of S_0 in T . Therefore \tilde{S} is not a surface of general type by the criterion given in Theorem 2.7. \square

So far we have proved Theorem 7.1 completely.

8. Families of quintic surfaces of general type. Let Hilb denote the Hilbert scheme of all quintic surfaces in \mathbf{P}^3 . It is well known that $\text{Hilb} \cong P^N$ where $N = \binom{5+3}{3} - 1 = 55$. Let $X = \{(f, p) \in \text{Hilb} \times \mathbf{P}^3 \mid p \in f\}$. Let $\tau: X \rightarrow \text{Hilb}$ be the restriction on X of the first projection from $\text{Hilb} \times \mathbf{P}^3$ onto Hilb .

The aim of the remaining sections is to determine families of quintic surfaces of general type. We denote the subset of all quintic surfaces of type T in Hilb by $\text{Hilb}\{T\}$. Generally, $\text{Hilb}\{T\}$ is a quasivariety for all types T that we have studied. Denote by $p_g(T)$ and $K^2(T)$ the geometric invariants p_g and K^2 of any quintic surface of type T . For fixed positive integers m and n , let

$$V_{m,n} = \bigcup_{\substack{p_g(T)=m \\ K^2(T)=n}} \text{Hilb } T.$$

In other words, $V_{m,n}$ is the set of all quintic surfaces of general type with geometric invariants $p_g = m$, $q = 0$, $K^2 = n$.

EXAMPLE 8.1. The set of all quintic surfaces without essential singularities is exactly $V_{4,5}$. This is an open subset of Hilb by Bertini's Theorem. The dimension of $V_{4,5}$ is the same as that of Hilb , which is equal to 55.

For other $V_{m,n}$ the following table shows all possible types of surfaces it may contain.

TABLE 8.1

	types
$V_{3,2}$	III
$V_{2,1}$	III-I', III-II _a , I ^{2,0} , (I, I), (II _a , III), (I, III)'
$V_{3,4}$	II _a
$V_{2,3}$	II _a ² , (II _a , II _a)
$V_{1,2}$	II _a ³ , (II _a , II _a , II _a), (II _a ² , II _a)
$V_{2,2}$	II _b , (I ^{2,0})', I ^{1,1} , (I, I)', (I, II _a)
$V_{3,3}$	I
$V_{1,1}$	(I ^{2,1})', I ^{1,2} , (I, I, II _a)', (I, II _a , II _a), (I ^{2,0} , II _a)', (I ^{1,1} , I)', (I ^{1,1} , II _a), (I, II _a ²), (II _a , II _b)

9. Families of quintic surfaces of general type with a triple point. In this section we study $\text{Hilb}\{T\}$ with $T = \text{III}, \text{III-I}', \text{III-II}_a, (\text{II}_a, \text{III})$ and $(\text{I}, \text{III})'$.

9.1 Representations as double covers. Let S_0 be a normal quintic surface of general type with a triple point p . Let π_0 be the projection of \mathbf{P}^3 from p onto the plane \mathbf{P}^2 . This map π_0 induces a rational map from S_0 to \mathbf{P}^2 , which we still denote by π_0 . Let $\sigma: T \rightarrow \mathbf{P}^3$ be the blowing-up of \mathbf{P}^3 at p . The exceptional divisor $E = \sigma^{-1}(p)$ is isomorphic to \mathbf{P}^2 . It is clear that T is a \mathbf{P}^1 -bundle over \mathbf{P}^2 with the following commutative diagram:

$$(9.1) \quad \begin{array}{ccc} T & \xrightarrow{\sigma} & \mathbf{P}^3 \\ \pi \searrow & & \swarrow \pi_0 \\ & \mathbf{P}^2 & \end{array}$$

Let S be the proper transform of S_0 in T . Then π induces a generically finite morphism $\varphi: S \rightarrow \mathbf{P}^2$ of degree 2.

LEMMA 9.1. *The branch locus B of the double cover φ is a curve of degree 8 without multiple components.*

PROOF. Write the defining equation of S_0 as $f(x, y, z) = f_3(x, y, z) + f_4(x, y, z) + f_5(x, y, z) = 0$. The map π_0 is ramified at all points (tx, ty, tz) such that the equation

$$(9.2) \quad f(tx, ty, tz)/t^3 = 0$$

in t has a multiple root. The left-hand side of (9.2) is $t^2 f_3(x, y, z) + t f_4(x, y, z) + f_5(x, y, z)$. Let us regard x, y, z as the homogeneous coordinates of \mathbf{P}^2 . Then the branch locus B is the curve $f_4^2(x, y, z) - 4f_3(x, y, z)f_5(x, y, z) = 0$. This shows that B has degree 8. Since S_0 is normal, B has no multiple components. \square

LEMMA 9.2. (1) If S_0 is of type III, then B has no m -tuple points with $m \geq 4$ or infinitely near n -tuple points with $n \geq 3$.

(2) If S_0 is of type (II_a, III) , then B has an infinitely near triple point away from $\varphi(C)$, where $C = E \cap S$.

(3) If S_0 is one of the types III-I', III-II_a or (I, III)', then B has an infinitely near triple point on $\varphi(C)$.

PROOF. (1) Since S has no essential singularities, the statement comes from the corollary to Theorem 2.12.

(2) Since the line passing the triple point and the minimally elliptic double point is not on S_0 , the image w of the elliptic double point under φ is not contained in $\varphi(C)$. Since that double point is of type II_a , B has an infinitely near triple point at w .

(3) If S_0 is of type III-II_a, then S has a minimally elliptic double point q of type II_a on C . Hence B has an infinitely near triple point at $w = \varphi(q) \in \varphi(C)$. If S_0 is of type (I, III)', then the line L_0 passing through the triple point and the double point q of type I is contained in S_0 . Hence $w = \varphi(q)$ is contained in $\varphi(C)$. Since the inverse image of w in the canonical resolution of the double cover over \mathbf{P}^2 with branch locus B contains an exceptional curve of the first kind, B must have an infinitely near triple point at w . If S_0 is of type III-I', then there is a line $L_0 \subset S_0$ such that the proper transform L of L_0 in S passes through the minimally elliptic double point q of S on C . Hence $w = \varphi(L) = \varphi(q)$ is a point on $\varphi(C)$ and B has an infinitely near triple point at w . \square

LEMMA 9.3. Let x, y, z be the homogeneous coordinates of \mathbf{P}^2 . Let $f_3(x, y, z)$, $f_4(x, y, z)$, $f_5(x, y, z)$ be homogeneous polynomials of degrees 3, 4, 5 respectively and let B be a curve on \mathbf{P}^2 given by $f_4^2 - 4f_3f_5 = 0$.

(1) If B has no multiple components, no m -tuple points with $m \geq 4$ and no infinitely near n -tuple points with $n \geq 3$, then the double cover of \mathbf{P}^2 with branch locus B is birational to a quintic surface of type III.

(2) If B has no multiple components and exactly one infinitely near triple point, then the double cover of \mathbf{P}^2 with branch locus B is birational to a quintic surface of type III-I', III-II_a, (I, III)' or (II_a, III) .

PROOF. Suppose B satisfies either (1) or (2). The equation $f_3(x, y, z) + f_4(x, y, z) + f_5(x, y, z) = 0$ defines a quintic surface S_0 in \mathbf{P}^3 with a triple point $(0, 0, 0)$. Here x, y, z are considered to be inhomogeneous coordinates. The projection from $(0, 0, 0)$ gives rise to a double cover over \mathbf{P}^2 with branch locus B . Hence the double cover of \mathbf{P}^2 with branch locus B is birational to the quintic surface S_0 . Let X^* be the canonical resolution of the double cover. Then the formula (2.12) implies that

$$\chi(X^*) = \begin{cases} 4 & \text{if conditions in (1) are satisfied,} \\ 3 & \text{if conditions in (2) are satisfied.} \end{cases}$$

Therefore, S_0 contains only one minimally elliptic triple point under the conditions in (1) and S contains some minimally elliptic double point under the conditions in (2). \square

9.2 Families.

THEOREM 9.4. $V_{3,2}$ is an irreducible quasivariety of dimension 48.

PROOF. The irreducible group $\mathrm{PGL}(3)$ acts on $V_{3,2} = \mathrm{Hilb}\{\mathrm{III}\}$. To show that $V_{3,2}$ is an irreducible quasivariety it is enough to show that the set W of all surfaces of type III with the triple point at some fixed point is an irreducible quasivariety. We may use affine coordinates and assume that the triple point is $(0,0,0)$. From Lemmas 9.2 and 9.3 we know that W is the set of all irreducible polynomials $f_3(x, y, z) + f_4(x, y, z) + f_5(x, y, z)$ with the condition that the zero locus B of $f_4^2 - 4f_3f_5$ has no multiple components, no m -tuple points with $m \geq 4$ or infinitely near n -tuple point with $n \geq 3$. This is an open condition. Hence W is an open subset of \mathbf{P}^N , where

$$N = \binom{3+2}{2} + \binom{4+2}{2} + \binom{5+2}{2} - 1 = 45.$$

Therefore $V_{3,2}$ is irreducible and $\dim V_{3,2} = N + \dim P^3 = 48$. \square

PROPOSITION 9.5. *The set*

$$V'_{2,1} = \mathrm{Hilb}\{\mathrm{III-I}'\} \cup \mathrm{Hilb}\{\mathrm{III-II}_a\} \cup \mathrm{Hilb}\{(\mathrm{II}_a, \mathrm{III})\} \cup \mathrm{Hilb}\{(\mathrm{I}, \mathrm{III})'\}$$

is a family of quintic surfaces. The dimension of $V'_{2,1}$ is 39.

PROOF. Let W be the set of all members in $V'_{2,1}$ with the triple point at a fixed point in \mathbf{P}^3 . We want to show that W is an irreducible quasivariety. Lemmas 9.2 and 9.3 imply that W is the set of all irreducible polynomials $f_3(x, y, z) + f_4(x, y, z) + f_5(x, y, z)$ with the condition that the zero locus B of $f_4^2 - 4f_3f_5$ has exactly one infinitely near triple point and no m -tuple points with $m \geq 4$, no other infinitely near n -tuple points with $n \geq 3$. Obviously this is an algebraic condition. Hence W is a quasivariety.

Let W' be the subset of W such that the zero locus of

$$h(x, y) = f_4^2(x, y, 1) - 4f_3(x, y, 1)f_5(x, y, 1)$$

has an infinitely near triple point at $(0,0)$, and such that $h(x, y)$ takes the form

$$c_1x^3 + \text{higher degree terms} \quad (c_1 \neq 0).$$

We write

$$f_3(x, y, z) = \sum_{i+j+k=3} a_{i,j,k} x^i y^j z^k, \quad f_4(x, y, z) = \sum_{i+j+k=4} b_{i,j,k} x^i y^j z^k$$

and

$$f_5(x, y, z) = \sum_{i+j+k=5} c_{i,j,k} x^i y^j z^k.$$

Then W' is the set of all $f_3 + f_4 + f_5$ such that the coefficients of the 12 terms $1, x, y, x^2, xy, y^2, x^2y, xy^2, y^3, xy^3, y^4, y^5$ of $h(x, y)$ are zero. These 12 conditions are

$$\begin{aligned}
 & b_{0,0,4}^2 - 4a_{0,0,3}c_{0,0,5} = 0, \\
 & 2b_{0,0,4}b_{1,0,3} - 4a_{1,0,2}c_{0,0,5} - 4a_{0,0,3}c_{1,0,4} = 0, \\
 & 2b_{0,0,4}b_{0,1,3} - 4a_{0,1,2}c_{0,0,5} - 4a_{0,0,3}c_{0,1,4} = 0, \\
 & 2b_{0,0,4}b_{2,0,2} + b_{1,0,3}^2 - 4a_{2,0,1}c_{0,0,5} - 4a_{1,0,2}c_{1,0,4} - 4a_{0,0,3}c_{2,0,3} = 0, \\
 & 2b_{0,0,4}b_{1,1,2} + 2b_{0,1,3}b_{1,0,3} - 4a_{0,0,3}c_{1,1,3} - 4a_{0,1,2}c_{1,0,4} \\
 & \quad - 4a_{1,0,2}c_{0,1,4} - 4a_{1,1,1}c_{0,0,5} = 0, \\
 & 2b_{0,0,4}b_{0,2,2} + b_{0,1,3}^2 - 4a_{0,0,3}c_{0,2,3} - 4a_{0,1,2}c_{0,1,4} - 4a_{0,2,1}c_{0,0,5} = 0, \\
 & 2b_{0,0,4}b_{0,3,1} + 2b_{0,1,3}b_{0,2,2} - 4a_{0,0,3}c_{0,3,2} - 4a_{0,1,2}c_{0,2,3} \\
 & \quad - 4a_{0,2,1}c_{0,1,4} - 4a_{0,3,0}c_{0,0,4} = 0, \\
 & 2b_{0,0,4}b_{1,2,1} + 2b_{0,1,3}b_{1,1,2} + 2b_{1,0,3}b_{0,2,2} - 4a_{0,0,3}c_{1,2,2} - 4a_{0,1,2}c_{1,1,3} \\
 & \quad - 4a_{1,0,2}c_{0,2,3} - 4a_{1,1,1}c_{0,1,4} - 4a_{1,2,0}c_{0,0,5} = 0, \\
 & 2b_{0,0,4}b_{2,1,1} + 2b_{0,1,3}b_{1,1,2} + 2b_{1,0,3}b_{1,1,2} - 4a_{0,0,3}c_{2,1,2} - 4a_{0,1,2}c_{2,0,3} \\
 & \quad - 4a_{1,0,2}c_{1,1,3} - 4a_{1,1,1}c_{1,0,4} - 4a_{2,1,0}c_{0,0,5} = 0, \\
 & 2b_{0,0,4}b_{0,4,0} + 2b_{0,1,3}b_{0,3,1} + b_{0,2,2}^2 - 4a_{0,0,3}c_{0,4,1} - 4a_{0,1,2}c_{0,3,2} \\
 & \quad - 4a_{0,2,1}c_{0,2,3} - 4a_{0,3,0}c_{0,1,4} = 0, \\
 & 2b_{0,0,4}b_{1,3,0} + 2b_{0,1,3}b_{1,2,1} + 2b_{1,0,3}b_{0,3,1} + 2b_{1,1,2}b_{0,2,2} - 4a_{0,0,3}c_{1,3,2} \\
 & \quad - 4a_{0,1,2}c_{1,2,2} - 4a_{1,0,2}c_{0,3,2} - 4a_{1,1,1}c_{0,2,3} - 4a_{1,2,0}c_{0,1,4} = 0, \\
 & 2b_{0,1,3}b_{0,4,0} + 2b_{0,2,2}b_{0,3,1} - 4a_{0,0,3}c_{0,5,0} - 4a_{0,1,2}c_{0,4,1} \\
 & \quad - 4a_{0,2,1}c_{0,3,2} - 4a_{0,3,0}c_{0,2,3} = 0.
 \end{aligned}$$

Let \overline{W} be the set of all polynomials of the form $f_3 + f_4 + f_5$ satisfying the above 12 equations. It is easy to check that \overline{W} is an irreducible variety of dimension 33 ($= 45 - 12$). Obviously W' is an open subvariety of \overline{W} .

The group $GL(3)$ acts on W freely. Each fibre of the morphism $GL(3) \times W' \rightarrow W$ has dimension 6. Hence W is an irreducible quasivariety of dimension 36. Therefore $V'_{2,1}$ is an irreducible quasivariety of dimension 39. \square

REMARK 9.6. From Lemma 9.3 and Proposition 9.5, we can see that the III-I', III-II_a and (I, III)' are specializations of (II_a, III).

10. Families of quintic surfaces of general type with elliptic double points. In this section we study the families of the remaining types of quintic surfaces of general type. According to Table 8.1, $V_{3,3}$ and $V_{3,4}$ are the simplest ones. Each of them contains only one type. In §10.1 we will show that they are irreducible quasivarieties. Then we will discuss the other families in the subsequent subsections. Unfortunately we are not able to describe all families. So we leave this as an interesting open problem.

10.1 Families $V_{3,3}$ and $V_{3,4}$.

THEOREM 10.1. $V_{3,3}$ is an irreducible quasivariety of dimension 47.

PROOF. Since $V_{3,3} = \text{Hilb}\{I\}$, it suffices to show that $\text{Hilb}\{I\}$ is an irreducible quasivariety of dimension 47. Let \overline{W} be the set of quintic surfaces given by

$$cx^2 + xf_2(x, y, z) + f_4(x, y, z) + f_5(x, y, z) = 0,$$

where $c \neq 0$ and $f_i(x, y, z)$ is a homogeneous polynomial of degree i . Then \overline{W} is an open subset of \mathbf{P}^{42} . Obviously $W = \text{Hilb}\{I\} \cap \overline{W}$ is an open subset of \overline{W} . Since $\text{Hilb}\{I\}$ is the image of the morphism $\text{PGL}(3) \times W \rightarrow \text{Hilb}\{I\}$ given by the group action, and any fibre of this map has dimension 10, $\text{Hilb}\{I\}$ is an irreducible quasivariety of dimension 47. \square

THEOREM 10.2. $V_{3,4}$ is an irreducible quasivariety of dimension 45.

PROOF. Let \overline{W} be the set of all quintic surfaces given by the equations

$$cx^2 + dy^3 + xf_2(x, y, z) + f_4(x, y, z) + f_5(x, y, z) = 0 \quad (c \neq 0)$$

such that the double point $(0, 0, 0)$ is equivalent to the double point represented by $x^2 + y^3 + xz^m + z^n = 0$ with $m \geq 4$, $n \geq 6$. Then W is the set of all quintic surfaces given by the equations

$$\begin{aligned} & (c_1x + c_2yz + c_3z^2)^2 + c_4y^3 + y^2g_2(y, z) + yg_4(y, z) \\ & + (c_1x + c_2yz + c_3z^2)[yh_1(y, z) + h_3(y, z)] + xh_4(y, z) \\ & + x^2[m_1(x, y) + m_2(x, y, z) + m_3(x, y, z)] \\ & + c_5(c_1x + c_2yz + c_3z^2)^2z = 0 \end{aligned}$$

where g_i , h_i , m_i are homogeneous polynomials of degree i . Hence $W = \overline{W} \cap \text{Hilb}\{II_a\}$ is an irreducible quasivariety of dimension 41. A fibre of the group-action map $\text{PGL}(3) \times W \rightarrow \text{Hilb}\{II_a\}$ has dimension 11. Therefore $\text{Hilb}\{II_a\} = V_{3,4}$ is an irreducible quasivariety of dimension 45. \square

Notice that in the proofs of Theorems 10.1 and 10.2, we inspect the quintic equations directly. The same method is not effective for other types of surfaces. As the double points become worse, the conditions on the quintic equations will be very complicated. So we try to use the triple covering map induced by the projection from one double point.

10.2 *Representations as triple covers.* Let S_0 be a normal quintic surface with a double point p . Let $\sigma: S' \rightarrow S_0$ be the blowing-up of S_0 at p . Let $\varphi': S' \rightarrow \mathbf{P}^2$ be the morphism induced by the projection from the point p . Let $\tau: S^\# \rightarrow S'$ be the minimal resolution of S' . Then $\varphi = \varphi' \circ \tau$ is a morphism from $S^\#$ to \mathbf{P}^2 , which is generically finite of degree 3. Unlike the triple point case, the surface $S^\#$ does not need to be a minimal resolution of S_0 . Let \tilde{S} be a minimal model of $S^\#$.

Similar to the cases discussed in §9.1, all quintic surfaces of general type with only elliptic double points as essential singularities can be described by the branch locus of the morphism φ in some way. For the simplicity of arguments, we only consider a generic member from each type of quintic surfaces in Table 8.1. Since we discuss the general properties (irreducibility, dimension, etc.) of the families, this restriction does not affect the results.

Let S_0 be a quintic surface of type I. Since we are considering the generic cases, we may assume that the fundamental cycle Z is a nonsingular elliptic curve with $Z^2 = -2$. In this case $S^\# = \tilde{S}$, $p_g(\tilde{S}) = 3$, $q(\tilde{S}) = 0$, $K_{\tilde{S}}^2 = 3$.

Since $|K_{\tilde{S}}|$ is cut out by all hyperplanes of \mathbf{P}^3 passing through the point p , $|K_{\tilde{S}}|$ has neither fixed components nor base points. Hence the linear system $|K_{\tilde{S}}|$ defines a triple covering map $\varphi: \tilde{S} \rightarrow \mathbf{P}^2$ which is induced by the projection from p .

Denote the line bundle $\text{Spec}_{\mathcal{O}_{\mathbf{P}^2}}(\text{Sym } \mathcal{O}_{\mathbf{P}^2}(n))$ of degree n on \mathbf{P}^2 by F_n .

THEOREM 10.3. *Let φ be the triple covering map from \tilde{S} onto \mathbf{P}^2 as defined above. Then there is a morphism $i: \tilde{S} \rightarrow F_2$, which is a birational morphism onto a surface without essential singularities, such that $\varphi = \text{pr} \circ i$, where $\text{pr}: F_2 \rightarrow \mathbf{P}^2$ is the projection of the line bundle F_2 . Moreover, φ induces a double cover of Z over a line in \mathbf{P}^2 .*

Conversely, let ψ be the fibre coordinate of the line bundle F_2 , let q and r be homogeneous polynomials in z_0, z_1, z_2 of degrees 4 and 6 respectively. If the surface S in F_2 defined by $\psi^3 + q\psi + r = 0$ satisfies the conditions that

(i) *S has no essential singularities;*

(ii) *there is a line L on \mathbf{P}^2 such that $\text{pr}^{-1}(L)$ on S is the union of a rational curve and a nonsingular elliptic curve,*

then S is birational to a normal quintic surface with a minimally elliptic double point of type I.

PROOF. Let \tilde{S} be the minimal resolution of a normal quintic surface S_0 with a minimally elliptic double point p of type I. Let $\{\varphi_0, \varphi_1, \varphi_2\}$ be a basis of $|K_{\tilde{S}}|$. By Theorem 2.3, the linear system $|2K_{\tilde{S}}|$ defines a morphism $\varphi_{|2K_{\tilde{S}}|}$ into \mathbf{P}^6 . Horikawa [8, II] showed that $\varphi_{|2K_{\tilde{S}}|}$ is a birational morphism onto its image for any minimal surface \tilde{S} with $p_g(\tilde{S}) = 3$, $q(\tilde{S}) = 0$, $K_{\tilde{S}}^2 = 3$. Since the plurigenus $P_2 = 7$, there exists $\psi \in H^0(\tilde{S}, \mathcal{O}(2K_{\tilde{S}}))$ such that $\varphi_i \varphi_j$ ($0 \leq i \leq j \leq 2$) and ψ form a basis of $H^0(\tilde{S}, \mathcal{O}(2K_{\tilde{S}}))$. The 49 products

$$(10.1) \quad \varphi_{i_1} \cdots \varphi_{i_6}, \quad \psi \varphi_{i_1} \cdots \varphi_{i_4}, \quad \psi^2 \varphi_{i_1} \varphi_{i_2}$$

are linearly independent in $H^0(\tilde{S}, \mathcal{O}(6K_{\tilde{S}}))$ because $\varphi_{|2K_{\tilde{S}}|}$ is birational. By Theorem 2.3, $P_6 = 49$. Hence ψ^3 is a linear combination of the terms in (10.1). In other words, ψ satisfies $\psi^3 + A\psi^2 + q\psi + r = 0$, where A, q, r are homogeneous polynomials in $\varphi_0, \varphi_1, \varphi_2$ of degrees 2, 4, 6 respectively. A linear transform $\psi' = \psi + A/3$ can kill the ψ^2 term. Hence we may assume that ψ satisfies

$$(10.2) \quad \psi^3 + q\psi + r = 0.$$

Regard $\varphi_0, \varphi_1, \varphi_2$ as homogeneous coordinates of \mathbf{P}^2 and ψ as fibre coordinate of the line bundle F_2 . Then (10.2) defines a surface $S \subset F_2$. We can see that S is isomorphic to the image of $\varphi_{|2K_{\tilde{S}}|}$ in \mathbf{P}^6 , which has no essential singularities [5]. Actually the map from S to \mathbf{P}^2 is given by

$$(\varphi_0, \varphi_1, \varphi_2, \psi) \mapsto (\varphi_0^2, \varphi_0 \varphi_1, \varphi_0 \varphi_2, \varphi_1^2, \varphi_1 \varphi_2, \varphi_2^2, \psi).$$

Now the following diagram commutes:

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \tilde{S} & \xrightarrow{i} & S \subset F_2 \\ \varphi \searrow & & \swarrow \text{pr} \\ & \mathbf{P}^2 & \end{array}$$

where i is induced by $\varphi|_{2K_{\tilde{S}}}$.

As $K_{\tilde{S}}Z = 2$, $\varphi_*(Z)$ is a degree two curve. Hence $\varphi(Z)$ is either a conic or a line. By the exact sequence

$$0 \rightarrow \mathcal{O}_{\tilde{S}}(K_{\tilde{S}} - Z) \rightarrow \mathcal{O}_{\tilde{S}}(K_{\tilde{S}}) \rightarrow \mathcal{O}_Z(2) \rightarrow 0$$

we infer that $\dim H^0(\tilde{S}, \mathcal{O}_{\tilde{S}}(K_{\tilde{S}} - Z)) \geq 1$. So there is some $\varphi \in |K_{\tilde{S}}|$ such that φ vanishes on Z . That means that $\varphi(Z)$ is a line. Hence $\varphi: Z \rightarrow \varphi(Z)$ is a double cover. This finishes the proof of the first part of the theorem.

Conversely, suppose there are ψ , q , r satisfying conditions (i) and (ii). Let S be the surface in F_2 defined by equation (10.2). Without loss of generality, we may assume that S is nonsingular. Let Z be a nonsingular elliptic curve on S as implied by condition (ii). Let $\varphi^*(L) = Z + M$. Since the branch locus B of the triple covering map is given by the equation $4q^3 + 27r^2 = 0$, B has degree 12. Since φ induces a double covering map from the nonsingular elliptic curve onto a line, L meets B at four distinct points transversally (these four points are the images of the ramification points of $\varphi: Z \rightarrow L$) and $(L, B)_a \equiv 0 \pmod{2}$ for any other point a . Hence $ZM = 4$. So $2 = Z(Z + M) = Z^2 + ZM = Z^2 + 2$ which implies $Z^2 = -2$. Thus $(\varphi^*(L) + Z)^2 = 5$.

Since $\text{pr}: S \rightarrow \mathbf{P}^2$ is an affine morphism, $H^i(S, \mathcal{F}) \cong H^i(\mathbf{P}^2, \varphi_*\mathcal{F})$ for all i and for any coherent sheaf \mathcal{F} on S . On the other hand, $\varphi_*\mathcal{O}_S \cong \mathcal{O}_{\mathbf{P}^2} \oplus \mathcal{O}_{\mathbf{P}^2}(-2) \oplus \mathcal{O}_{\mathbf{P}^2}(-4)$. Hence

$$H^i(S, \mathcal{O}_S(\varphi^*(L))) \cong H^i(\mathbf{P}^2, \mathcal{O}_{\mathbf{P}^2}(1) \oplus \mathcal{O}_{\mathbf{P}^2}(-1) \oplus \mathcal{O}_{\mathbf{P}^2}(-3)) \quad \text{for } i = 0, 1, 2.$$

Thus

$$\dim H^i(S, \mathcal{O}_S(\varphi^*(L))) = \begin{cases} 3, & i = 0, \\ 0, & i = 1, \\ 1, & i = 2. \end{cases}$$

The exact sequence

$$0 \rightarrow \mathcal{O}_S(\varphi^*L) \rightarrow \mathcal{O}_S(\varphi^*L + Z) \rightarrow \mathcal{O}_Z \rightarrow 0$$

implies that $\dim H^0(S, \mathcal{O}_S(\varphi^*L + Z)) = 4$.

Obviously, $|\varphi^*L + Z|$ has no fixed points; it defines a morphism from S into \mathbf{P}^3 . Since $(\varphi^*L + Z)^2 = 5$, this morphism must be birational onto a quintic surface in \mathbf{P}^3 . Since $(\varphi^*L + Z)Z = 0$, the curve Z contracts to a point under this morphism. Since $K_S D \geq 0$ for any effective divisor D on S , S is a minimal surface with $p_g(S) = 3$, $q(S) = 0$, $K_S^2 = 3$. Therefore the birational image of S in \mathbf{P}^3 must be a quintic surface with a minimally elliptic double point of type I. \square

REMARK. Actually the image of i is the normalization of S' , where S' is the blowing-up of S_0 at p .

The next lemma gives the conditions on $q(z_0, z_1, z_2)$ and $r(z_0, z_1, z_2)$ for (ii) in Theorem 10.3.

LEMMA 10.4. *Condition (ii) is true if and only if there is a line L : $\lambda(z_0, z_1, z_2) = 0$ on \mathbf{P}^2 and homogeneous polynomials α, β, h_1, h_2 in z_0, z_1, z_2 of degrees 2, 4, 3, 5 respectively such that*

- (i) $q = \lambda h_1 + \beta - \alpha^2, r = \lambda h_2 - \alpha\beta$;
- (ii) *the zero locus of $\alpha^2 - 4\beta$ meets L at four distinct points transversally.*

PROOF. The inverse image $\text{pr}^{-1}(L)$ of L splits if and only if

$$\psi^3 + q\psi + r \equiv (\psi^2 + \alpha\psi + \beta)(\psi - \alpha) \pmod{\lambda},$$

which is exactly condition (i). The equation $\psi^2 + \alpha\psi + \beta = 0$ defines a double cover over L . This curve is a nonsingular elliptic curve if and only if the four branch points are distinct. This is exactly condition (ii). \square

REMARK. The above triple covering map can be directly derived from the original quintic equation

$$f_2(x, y, z) + f_3(x, y, z) + f_4(x, y, z) + f_5(x, y, z) = 0.$$

Since p is not a rational double point, we may assume that $f_2(x, y, z) = \lambda(x, y, z)^2$ where $\lambda(x, y, z)$ is a linear form. The surface S' is given by the equation

$$t^3 f_5(z_0, z_1, z_2) + t^2 f_4(z_0, z_1, z_2) + t f_3(z_0, z_1, z_2) + f_2(z_0, z_1, z_2) = 0$$

where z_0, z_1, z_2 are regarded as the homogeneous coordinates of \mathbf{P}^2 . Note that $\lambda(z_0, z_1, z_2) \mid f_3(z_0, z_1, z_2)$ because p is not a rational double point. Hence S' is singular along the curve $t = 0, \lambda(z_0, z_1, z_2) = 0$. Normalizing S' , we get the surface \tilde{S} , which is given by

$$(10.3) \quad \psi^3 + g_2(z_0, z_1, z_2)\psi^2 + f_4(z_0, z_1, z_2)\psi + \lambda(z_0, z_1, z_2)f_5(z_0, z_1, z_2) = 0,$$

where

$$g_2(z_0, z_1, z_2) = f_3(z_0, z_1, z_2)/\lambda(z_0, z_1, z_2).$$

Substitute ψ by $\psi - g_2(z_0, z_1, z_2)/3$. Then (10.3) becomes

$$(10.4) \quad \psi^3 + (f_4 - g_2^2/3)\psi + (\lambda f_5 + 2g_2^3/27 - g_2 f_4/3) = 0.$$

This is equation (10.2).

Note that q and r in (10.2) are expressed as polynomials of the coefficients of the original quintic surface; an alternative proof of Theorem 10.1 can be written down immediately by using Theorem 10.3.

10.3 The family $\text{Hilb}\{(I, I)\} \cup \text{Hilb}\{I^{2,0}\}$. Suppose that S_0 is a generic member of $\text{Hilb}\{(I, I)\}$ with two elliptic double points $p_1, p_2 \in S_0$. Then the projection map from p_1 gives rise to a triple covering map, which is also locally defined by (10.4). Since the line L_0 passing through p_1 and p_2 does not lie on S_0 , the image of p_2 on \mathbf{P}^2 is not on the line $\lambda = 0$. Since S_0 is generic, we may assume that the triple covering map is not totally ramified at p_2 . Thus the branch locus has a quadruple point at the image of p_2 .

Now suppose that S_0 is a surface with a double point p of type $I^{2,0}$. Then the projection map from p gives rise to a triple covering map. If S_0 is a generic member, then it is easy to see that the branch locus has a quadruple point on the line $\lambda = 0$. Therefore surfaces of type (I, I) and $I^{2,0}$ are in the same family. In fact, $I^{2,0}$ is the specialization of (I, I) . Let $V'_{2,1}$ be the closure of $\text{Hilb}\{(I, I)\} \cup \text{Hilb}\{I^{2,0}\}$ in $V_{2,1}$.

THEOREM 10.5. *The sets $V'_{2,1}$ and $V''_{2,1}$ are irreducible components of $V_{2,1}$ with $\dim V'_{2,1} = V''_{2,1} = 39$.*

PROOF. From (9.5) we see that $V'_{2,1}$ is an irreducible quasivariety with dimension 39. Now we show that $V''_{2,1}$ has the same property. Since the method is essentially the same as that in §§10.1 and 10.2, we only sketch the proof.

Let W be the set of all members in $\text{Hilb}\{(I, I)\} \cup \text{Hilb}\{I^{2,0}\}$ whose equations are

$$f(x, y, z) = \lambda(x, y, z)^2 + f_3(x, y, z) + f_4(x, y, z) + f_5(x, y, z) = 0$$

where $\lambda(x, y, z)$ is a linear form.

Let W' be the subset of W consisting of all members such that the branch locus of the above-mentioned triple covering has a quadruple point at $x = 0, y = 0$. This imposes ten conditions on the coefficients of $f(x, y, z)$. We can write all these conditions by using equation (10.4), but we prefer not to because they will be quite messy. Anyhow, W' is an irreducible quasivariety. Hence W is also irreducible. Furthermore, $\dim V'_{2,1} = \dim V_{3,3} - 8 = 39$.

Recall that $V_{2,1} = V'_{2,1} \cup V''_{2,1}$, where $V'_{2,1}$ is relatively closed in $V_{2,1}$ because quintic surfaces with triple points cannot deform into a quintic surface with only double points. Since $\dim V'_{2,1} = \dim V''_{2,1}$, either they are equal or they are two irreducible components of $V_{2,1}$. Obviously only the latter case can happen. \square

REMARK. It is an interesting problem to find out what $V'_{2,1} \cap V''_{2,1}$ looks like.

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