# On Foliation Adjunction

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**Aim:** We want to study the birational geometry of  $(X, \mathcal{F})$ : i.e. does there exists a birational map  $X \dashrightarrow Y$  such that the induced foliation  $\mathcal{F}_Y$  on Y is either such that  $\mathcal{K}_{\mathcal{F}_Y}$  is nef or it admits a MFS?

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<u>Def</u>.  $(\mathcal{F}, \Delta)$  is **log canonical** (resp. **canonical**) if for any birational morphism  $f: Y \to X$  we can write

$$\mathcal{K}_{\mathcal{F}_Y} + f_*^{-1}\Delta = f^*(\mathcal{K}_{\mathcal{F}} + \Delta) + \sum a_i E_i$$

where the sum runs over the exceptional divisor of f and  $a_i \ge -\epsilon(E_i)$  (resp.  $\ge 0$ ).

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Let  $\overline{\mathcal{F}''}$ ,  $\overline{\Delta}''$  and  $\overline{\mathcal{A}}''$  be the corresponding items on  $\overline{X}''$ .

- By the Classical Base Point Free Theorem, it follows that  $K_{\overline{F''}} + \overline{\Delta}'' + \overline{A}''$  is semi-ample.
- Thus  $H_R = K_F + \Delta + A$  is also semi-ample and the contraction  $c_R \colon X \to Y$  exists.
- The corresponding map  $X \dashrightarrow \overline{X}''$  is the desired flip.