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EFFECTIVE CONE OF THE MODULI SPACE OF CURVES

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The cone of effective divisors plays a central role in the study of birational geometry of a variety X. In this talk I will give a short survey on this subject, with a focus on the case when X is the moduli space of curves with marked points. Moreover, I will report some recent progress in low genera. If time allows, I will also discuss some work in progress towards understanding higher codimensional geometry of the moduli space of curves. Part of the talk is based on joint work with Izzet Coskun.

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