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Mathematics, Ayres Hall, 1403 Circle Drive, Knoxville, TN 37996-1300. *Birational Equivalence,
Linear Systems, and Desingularization.*

In the talk I introduce an object $\text{Spv } X$ which represents the birational equivalence class of an algebraic variety X and which admits a morphism to X . I define $\text{Spv } (X)$ as a certain functor which mimics $\text{Hom} (\text{Spec } (*), X) : (\text{Ring}) \longrightarrow (\text{Set})$. I also define its completion $\text{Spv } ^{\wedge}(X)$, using linear systems, and show that it is the categorical limit of proper models birational to X . In the course it arises a group functor SG_n which is a uniform analog of GL_n and which reflects a composition algorithm of blow-ups. $SG_n(k)$ naturally acts on a certain classifying space of uniformizing parameters $\mathcal{S}_n(k)$. I show that the transitivity of such action is a uniform analog of Cutkosky's factorization theorem. Using SG_n , I also formulate a statement on constructibility of power series and show that it recovers the desingularization of an algebraic variety locally along a valuation. (Received August 09, 2004)