

Abelian Varieties

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1 Motivation: Curves and the Abel-Jacobi Map

Let X be a smooth irreducible projective curve over \mathbb{C} , equivalently a compact connected Riemann surface. Let g be its genus.

We recall some basic algebraic geometric notions:

Definition. *The Divisor group of X is*

$$\text{Div}(X) = \mathbb{Z}[X] = \{\text{finite sums } \sum_{P \in X} m_P P, m_P \in \mathbb{Z}\}.$$

The degree-map is

$$\begin{aligned} \text{deg} : \text{Div}(X) &\longrightarrow \mathbb{Z}, \\ \sum_{P \in X} m_P P &\longmapsto \sum_{P \in X} m_P. \end{aligned}$$

Its kernel is denoted $\text{Div}^0(X) := \ker \text{deg}$.

The function field $k(X)$ of X is the set of rational, equivalently meromorphic, functions on X . To $0 \neq f \in k(X)$ we associate the principal divisor

$$\text{div}(f) = \sum_{P \in X} \text{ord}_P(f) P \in \text{Div}^0(X).$$

The class group of X is

$$\text{Cl}(X) = \frac{\text{Div}(X)}{\{\text{div}(f) \mid f \in k(X)^*\}}$$

We also let $\text{Cl}^0(X) := \ker(\text{deg} : \text{Cl}(X) \rightarrow \mathbb{Z})$.

Another interpretation of $\text{Cl}(X)$ is given by invertible sheaves: A divisor $D \in \text{Div}(X)$ gives rise to an invertible sheaf $\mathcal{O}_X(D)$. Then D is principal if and only if $\mathcal{O}_X(D)$ is trivial. This induces an isomorphism

$$\text{Cl}(X) \simeq \{\text{isomorphism classes of invertible sheaves}\} =: \text{Pic}(X).$$

The set of holomorphic differentials on X is written $H^0(X, \Omega_X)$. It is a complex vector space of dimension g , so $H^0(X, \Omega_X) = \bigoplus_{1 \leq i \leq g} \mathbb{C} \omega_i$, for some holomorphic differentials $\omega_1, \dots, \omega_g$.

Let $\gamma : [0, 1] \rightarrow X$ be a piecewise C^1 curve. Then we get a g -tuple of complex numbers $(\int_\gamma \omega_i)_{1 \leq i \leq g} \in \mathbb{C}^g$. Better: It is an element of the dual space of $H^0(X, \Omega_X)$.

If γ, γ' are homologous with same endpoints, then $\int_\gamma = \int_{\gamma'}$. In particular, if we take γ to be a closed path, this gives a map

$$\begin{aligned} \alpha : H_1(X, \mathbb{Z}) &\rightarrow \mathbb{C}^g, \\ \gamma &\longmapsto \left(\int_\gamma \omega_i \right)_i. \end{aligned}$$

It is called the *period homomorphism*.

Theorem 1.1 (Riemann). *The map α is injective, and its image is a lattice in \mathbb{C}^g . Moreover, $\mathbb{C}^g / \text{im } \alpha$ is the set of complex points of a smooth algebraic variety over \mathbb{C} , called the Jacobian variety $J(X)$ of X . The group law on $\mathbb{C}^g / \text{im } \alpha$ is given by a morphism $J(X) \times J(X) \rightarrow J(X)$.*

Recall that a *lattice* in \mathbb{C}^g is a subgroup generated by $2g$ \mathbb{R} -linearly independent vectors.

If A is an irreducible *projective* variety over \mathbb{C} , together with a morphism $m : A \times A \rightarrow A$ such that $m(\mathbb{C}) : A(\mathbb{C}) \times A(\mathbb{C}) \rightarrow A(\mathbb{C})$ makes $A(\mathbb{C})$ into a group, we say A is an *abelian variety*.

Fix a point $P_0 \in X$. If $P \in X$, let γ_P be a path from P_0 to P . Any two such paths differ by a closed path, so $(\int_{\gamma_P} \omega_i)_{1 \leq i \leq g}$ is well-defined modulo $\Lambda := \text{im}(\alpha)$, giving a map

$$\begin{aligned} X &\longrightarrow \mathbb{C}^g / \Lambda = J(X), \\ P &\longmapsto \left(\int_{\gamma_P} \omega_i \right) \bmod \Lambda. \end{aligned}$$

This extends to a homomorphism

$$\text{AJ}_{P_0} : \text{Div}(X) \rightarrow \mathbb{C}^g / \Lambda,$$

the *Abel-Jacobi map*.

Let $P'_0 \in X$ be another point, δ a path from P'_0 to P_0 . Then

$$\text{AJ}_{P'_0}(P) = \text{AJ}_{P_0}(P) + \left(\int_\delta \omega_i \right)_i.$$

More generally, if $D \in \text{Div}(X)$, then

$$\text{AJ}_{P'_0}(D) = \text{AJ}_{P_0}(D) + (\deg D) \left(\int_\delta \omega_i \right)_i.$$

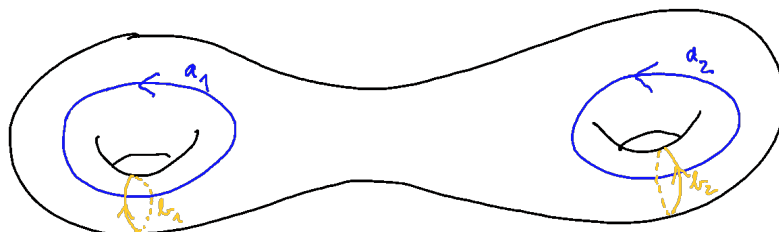
So $\text{AJ} = \text{AJ}_{P_0} : \text{Div}^0(X) \rightarrow \mathbb{C}^g / \Lambda$ is independent of P_0 .

Theorem 1.2 (Abel-Jacobi Theorem). *$\text{AJ} : \text{Div}^0(X) \rightarrow \mathbb{C}^g / \Lambda$ is surjective and its kernel is the set of principal divisors. In other words, AJ induces an isomorphism*

$$\text{Cl}^0(X) \xrightarrow{\cong} \mathbb{C}^g / \Lambda.$$

2 Homology of Riemann Surfaces

Let X be as before. Then $H_1(X, \mathbb{Z}) \cong \mathbb{Z}^{2g}$ is generated by simple closed curves a_j, b_j ($1 \leq j \leq g$) disjoint except for a_j meeting b_j transversally in one point, with the same orientation.



genus 2 Riemann surface and the generators a_1, a_2, b_1, b_2 of $H_1(X, \mathbb{Z})$

Let $A_{ij} = \int_{a_j} \omega_i, B_{ij} = \int_{b_j} \omega_i$. So $\Lambda = \text{im}(\alpha)$ is span of the columns of the $g \times 2g$ -matrix $(A | B)$.

To prove Theorem 1.1 we need some special properties of this matrix:

Theorem 2.1 (Riemann period relations).

- (a) AB^t is symmetric.
- (b) The Hermitian matrix $\frac{1}{i}(B\bar{A}^t - A\bar{B}^t)$ is positive definite.

These properties can be restated as follows:

- (a) $\Leftrightarrow \sum_j (A_{ij}B_{i'j} - B_{ij}A_{i'j}) = 0$ for all i, i' .
- (b) $\Leftrightarrow \text{Im} \left(\sum_j \int_{a_j} \bar{\omega} \int_{b_j} \omega \right) > 0$ for all $0 \neq \omega \in H^0(X, \Omega_X)$.

From this, it follows easily that A, B are invertible and that the columns of $(A | B)$ linearly independent over \mathbb{R} , so Λ is a lattice. Later we will see that (b) is precisely the condition that \mathbb{C}^g/Λ is a projective variety.

Lemma 2.2. Let ω, η be closed ($d\omega = 0 = d\eta$) 1-forms on X (not necessarily holomorphic). Then

$$\int_X \omega \wedge \eta = \sum_j \int_{a_j} \omega \int_{b_j} \eta - \int_{b_j} \omega \int_{a_j} \eta.$$

Assume this for the moment. Take $(\omega, \eta) = (\omega_i, \omega_{i'})$ where $(\omega_i)_i$ is our fixed basis for holomorphic 1-forms. As $dz \wedge dz = 0$, the left side vanishes, and the first Riemann period relation follows. For the second take $\omega \in H^0(X, \Omega_X)$ and consider $(\bar{\omega}, \omega)$. Locally

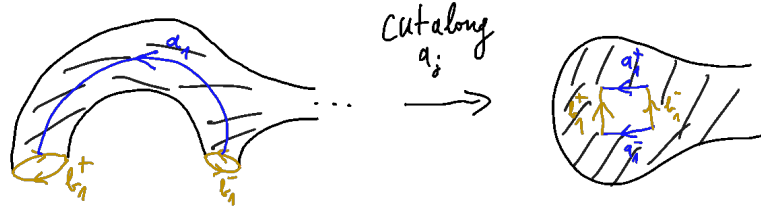
$\omega = f(z)dz$ with holomorphic f , so

$$\bar{\omega} \wedge \omega = f\bar{f}d\bar{z} \wedge dz = 2i|f|^2 dx \wedge dy.$$

So if $\omega \neq 0$, we get

$$0 < \frac{1}{i} \int_X \bar{\omega} \wedge \omega = \sum_{j=1}^g \frac{1}{i} \left[\int_{a_j} \bar{\omega} \int_{b_j} \omega - \int_{b_j} \bar{\omega} \int_{a_j} \omega \right] = 2 \sum_j \operatorname{Im} \int_{a_j} \bar{\omega} \int_{b_j} \omega$$

Proof of the Lemma. Cut X along the curves a_j, b_j ; Let X^* be the resulting surface with boundary. It is a sphere with g holes. The gluing map $\pi : X^* \rightarrow X$ induces the zero



Cutting X along a_j, b_j

map $0 = \pi_* : H_1(X^*, \mathbb{Z}) \rightarrow H_1(X, \mathbb{Z})$ since $H_1(X^*, \mathbb{Z})$ is generated by the elements $a_i^+ - b_i^+ - a_i^- + b_i^-$. So on X^* there exists a single valued f such that $\omega = df$.¹ If p^+, p^- are points on a_j^+, a_j^- with same image in X , then $f(p^+) - f(p^-) = \int_{p^-}^{p^+} df = \int_{b_j} \omega$. Similarly for points q^\pm on b_j^\pm . The oriented boundary of X^* is $\bigcup_j b_j^+ - b_j^- - a_j^+ + a_j^-$. So, by Stokes' Theorem we get

$$\begin{aligned} \int_X \omega \wedge \eta &= \int_{X^*} \pi^*(\omega \wedge \eta) = \int_{X^*} d(f\eta) \\ &= \int_{\partial X^*} f\eta = \sum_j \left(\int_{b_j^+} - \int_{b_j^-} - \int_{a_j^+} + \int_{a_j^-} \right) f\eta \\ &= \sum_j f(q_j^+) \int_{b_j^+} \eta - f(q_j^-) \int_{b_j^-} \eta - f(p_j^+) \int_{a_j^+} \eta + f(p_j^-) \int_{a_j^-} \eta \\ &= \sum_j \int_{a_j} \omega \int_{b_j} \eta - \int_{b_j} \omega \int_{a_j} \eta \end{aligned}$$

□

¹Remark by L.T.: This can be seen as follows. For a smooth manifold X , let $I : H_{\text{dR}}^*(X) \rightarrow H^*(X, \mathbb{R}) = \operatorname{Hom}(H_*(X), \mathbb{R})$ be the integration map. By naturality of I , we have $I[\pi^*\omega] = \pi^*I[\omega] = 0$ as π^* dual to the zero map $\pi_* = 0$ on H_1 . Since I is injective, in fact an isomorphism by the de Rham Theorem, $[\pi^*\omega] = 0$, i.e. ω is exact.

Remark. What this actually says is that the intersection pairing $H_1(X, \mathbb{Z}) \times H_1(X, \mathbb{Z}) \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}$ is dual to pairing on closed 1-forms given by $(\omega, \eta) \mapsto \int_X \omega \wedge \eta$.

Let $J = \begin{pmatrix} 0_g & I_g \\ -I_g & 0_g \end{pmatrix}$ which is the intersection matrix for $a_1, \dots, a_g, b_1, \dots, b_g$, i.e. $a_j \frown b_j = -b_j \frown a_j = \delta_{ij}$ (this could be seen as the formal definition of the a_j, b_j). Let $P = (A \mid B)$. Then we can rewrite the Riemann relations as

$$(a) \Leftrightarrow PJ^{-1}P^t = 0,$$

$$(b) \Leftrightarrow Q := \frac{1}{i}PJ^{-1}\bar{P}^t > 0.$$

If $0 \neq \lambda \in \mathbb{C}^g$, then $0 < \lambda^t Q \bar{\lambda} = 2 \operatorname{Im}(\lambda^t B \bar{A}^t \bar{\lambda})$, so A, B are invertible. Then we see that:

Corollary 2.3.

(i) There exists a basis $(\omega_1, \dots, \omega_g)$ such that $\int_{a_j} \omega_i = \delta_{ij}$ (i.e. $A = I_g$) and then B is symmetric and $\operatorname{Im} B$ positive definite.

(ii) The columns of $(A \mid B)$ are linearly independent over \mathbb{R} , so $\alpha : H_1(X, \mathbb{Z}) \rightarrow \mathbb{C}^g$ is injective, and the image $\Lambda = \operatorname{im} \alpha$ is a lattice.

How to prove the Abel-Jacobi theorem, i.e. $\operatorname{AJ} : \operatorname{Cl}^0(X) \xrightarrow{\cong} \mathbb{C}^g / \Lambda = J(X)$?

One way is by using cohomology: The *exponential sequence* (on any complex analytic manifold X) is the short exact sequence

$$0 \rightarrow \mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathcal{O}_X \xrightarrow{f \mapsto \exp 2\pi i f} \mathcal{O}_X^* \rightarrow 0.$$

Here \mathbb{Z} is the constant sheaf and \mathcal{O}_X the sheaf of holomorphic functions. From this we get the long exact sequence in cohomology which breaks up into two sequences:

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc} 0 \rightarrow & \underbrace{H^0(X, \mathbb{Z})}_{=\mathbb{Z}} & \rightarrow & \underbrace{H^0(X, \mathcal{O}_X)}_{=\mathbb{C}} & \rightarrow & \underbrace{H^0(X, \mathcal{O}_X^*)}_{=\mathbb{C}^*} & \rightarrow 0 \\ 0 \rightarrow & \underbrace{H^1(X, \mathbb{Z})}_{\operatorname{Hom}(H_1(X, \mathbb{Z}), \mathbb{Z})} & \rightarrow & H^1(X, \mathcal{O}_X) & \rightarrow & \underbrace{H^1(X, \mathcal{O}_X^*)}_{=\operatorname{Pic} X} & \rightarrow \underbrace{H^2(X, \mathbb{Z})}_{\simeq \mathbb{Z} \text{ for surface}} \end{array}$$

This holds for any compact connected \mathbb{C} manifold (except the last isomorphism). For a Riemann surface, $\operatorname{Pic}(X) \simeq \operatorname{Cl}(X)$ and $\operatorname{Cl}(X) \rightarrow H^2(X, \mathbb{Z}) \simeq \mathbb{Z}$ is the degree map. So $\operatorname{Cl}^0(X) \simeq \frac{H^1(X, \mathcal{O}_X)}{H^1(X, \mathbb{Z})}$. We have a diagram:

$$\begin{array}{ccccc} \operatorname{Div}^0(X) & \longrightarrow & \operatorname{Cl}^0(X) & \longleftarrow & \operatorname{Pic}(X) \\ \downarrow \operatorname{AJ} & & \exp(2\pi i \cdot) \uparrow \simeq & & \\ J(X) = \frac{H^0(X, \Omega^1)^\vee}{\alpha(H_1(X, \mathbb{Z}))} & \xleftarrow[\exists S]{\simeq} & \frac{H^1(X, \mathcal{O}_X)}{H^1(X, \mathbb{Z})} & & \end{array}$$

Serre duality says that there exists an isomorphism $S : H^1(X, \mathcal{O}_X) \xrightarrow{\cong} H^0(X, \Omega^1)^\vee$ which takes $H^1(X, \mathbb{Z})$ to $H_1(X, \mathbb{Z})$. It is also a nontrivial fact that this diagram commutes.

It follows that AJ induces an isomorphism as claimed. For details, see the handout on Moodle.

3 Complex Tori

Recall: If $w_1, w_2 \in \mathbb{C} \setminus \{0\}, w_2/w_1 \notin \mathbb{R}$, then $\mathbb{C}/(\mathbb{Z}w_1 + \mathbb{Z}w_2)$ is an *elliptic curve* over \mathbb{C} , embeddable in $\mathbb{P}_{\mathbb{C}}^2$ by Weierstrass \wp -function and its derivative. This gives a bijection

$$\{\text{lattices in } \mathbb{C}, \text{ up to homothety}\} \longleftrightarrow \{\text{iso. classes of elliptic curves}\}$$

The higher dimensional case is more complicated. For more complete treatment, see [Mum70, Chapter 1], [BL04, Chapters 1-4] or [Swi74, Chapters 1-4].

Let V be a finite-dimensional real vector space and $\Gamma \subseteq V$ a lattice. Then V/Γ is a commutative, compact and connected Lie group; also called a *real torus*. By a change of basis we get a real analytic isomorphism $V/\Gamma \simeq \mathbb{R}^n/\mathbb{Z}^n \cong (S^1)^n$.

Now let V be a finite dimensional complex vector space. We call $X = V/\Gamma$ a *complex torus*.

- X is a complex manifold: If $\pi : V \rightarrow X$ is the quotient map and $v \in V$, then there exists an open neighborhood $U \subseteq V$ such that $\pi : U \rightarrow \pi(U)$ is a homeomorphism and this defines a structure of complex manifold on X .
- Addition/subtraction maps $X \times X \rightarrow X$ are holomorphic, so X is a complex Lie group, compact and connected.

Proposition 3.1. *Any compact connected complex Lie group is a complex torus (hence is commutative).*

Proof. See e.g. [Mum70, p. 1] or [BL04, Lemma 1.1.1]. □

Notice: For any (real or complex) torus $X = V/\Gamma$, the map $\pi : V \rightarrow X$ is a connected covering space. As V is simply connected, this means that V is the universal covering space of X (with basepoints (say) $0 \in X, 0 \in V$), and $\Gamma \simeq \pi_1(X, 0) \simeq H_1(X, \mathbb{Z})$ (by Hurewicz isomorphism).

Let $X = V/\Gamma, X' = V'/\Gamma'$ be complex tori. Let $\varphi : V \rightarrow V'$ be a linear map such that $\varphi(\Gamma) \subseteq \Gamma'$. It induces a holomorphic map $X \rightarrow X'$ which is a homomorphism. Conversely:

Proposition 3.2. *Let $f : X \rightarrow X'$ be a holomorphic map.*

- (i) *If $f(0) = 0$, then there exists a linear $\tilde{f} : V \rightarrow V'$ with $\tilde{\Gamma} \subseteq \Gamma'$ that induces f . In particular, f is a homomorphism.*
- (ii) *In general, $f(x) = f_0(x) + y$ with $y = f(0) \in X'$ and f_0 is a homomorphism.*

Proof. (ii) is clear from (i). As V is simply connected, we can lift f to a continuous $\tilde{f} : V \rightarrow V'$ such that $\tilde{f}(0) = 0$. Since π, π' are local isomorphisms, \tilde{f} is holomorphic. For all $v \in V, \gamma \in \Gamma, \tilde{f}(v + \gamma) = \tilde{f}(v) + g_\gamma(v)$ with $g_\gamma(v) \in \Gamma'$. So $g_\gamma : V \rightarrow \Gamma' \subseteq V'$ is holomorphic, so is constant. So the partial derivatives of \tilde{f} are Γ -invariant, i.e. are

holomorphic functions $V/\Gamma \rightarrow V'$, hence constant as V/Γ is compact. Thus \tilde{f} has constant derivative and $\tilde{f}(0) = 0$, so \tilde{f} is a linear map. \square

Corollary 3.3. *Complex tori $V/\Gamma, V'/\Gamma'$ are isomorphic as complex manifolds iff there exists a \mathbb{C} -linear isomorphism $\varphi : V \rightarrow V'$ with $\varphi(\Gamma) = \Gamma'$.*

So any complex torus of dimension g is isomorphic to $\mathbb{C}^g/\Pi\mathbb{Z}^{2g}$ where $\Pi \in \mathbb{C}^{g \times 2g}$ is a matrix whose columns are \mathbb{R} -linearly independent and Π, Π' give isomorphic tori iff there exist $A \in \text{GL}_g(\mathbb{C}), B \in \text{GL}_{2g}(\mathbb{Z})$ with $\Pi' = A\Pi B$. As the columns of Π span \mathbb{C}^g over \mathbb{R} , some subset of them is a \mathbb{C} -basis. Hence

Proposition 3.4. *Every complex torus of dimension g is isomorphic to $\mathbb{C}^g/(\mathbb{Z}^g \oplus \Omega\mathbb{Z}^g)$ where Ω is a $g \times g$ complex matrix such that the columns of $\text{Im}(\Omega)$ are linearly independent over \mathbb{R} .*

E.g. if $g = 1$, then any complex torus of dimension 1 (i.e. any elliptic curve) is isomorphic to a torus of the form $\mathbb{C}/\mathbb{Z} + \mathbb{Z}\tau$ where $\tau \in \mathbb{C} \setminus \mathbb{R}$.

Proposition 3.5. *If $X = V/\Gamma$ is a real torus of dimension $d \geq 1$, then*

$$H^1(X, \mathbb{Z}) = \text{Hom}(\Gamma, \mathbb{Z}) \simeq \mathbb{Z}^d$$

and for $0 \leq n \leq d$,

$$H^n(X, \mathbb{Z}) = \bigwedge^n H^1(X, \mathbb{Z}) \simeq \mathbb{Z}^{\binom{d}{n}}.$$

Proof. For $n = 1$ we have $H^1(X, \mathbb{Z}) = \text{Hom}(H_1(X, \mathbb{Z}), \mathbb{Z}) = \text{Hom}(\Gamma, \mathbb{Z})$.

We induct on d . If $d = 1$, we are done. Otherwise $\Gamma = \Gamma_1 \oplus \Gamma_2$, with $\Gamma_i \neq 0$, so $X = X_1 \times X_2$ where $X_i = V_i/\Gamma_i, V_i = \mathbb{R}\Gamma_i$. Since $\dim X_i < d$, by induction $H^*(X_i, \mathbb{Z}) \cong \bigwedge_{\mathbb{Z}}^* \text{Hom}(\Gamma_i, \mathbb{Z})$. So by the Künneth formula:

$$\begin{aligned} H^n(X, \mathbb{Z}) &= \bigoplus_{p+q=n} H^p(X_1, \mathbb{Z}) \otimes H^q(X_2, \mathbb{Z}) = \bigoplus_{p+q=n} \bigwedge^p (\text{Hom}(\Gamma_1, \mathbb{Z})) \otimes \bigwedge^q (\text{Hom}(\Gamma_2, \mathbb{Z})) \\ &= \bigwedge^n (\text{Hom}(\Gamma_1, \mathbb{Z}) \oplus \text{Hom}(\Gamma_2, \mathbb{Z})) \\ &= \bigwedge^n \text{Hom}(\Gamma, \mathbb{Z}). \end{aligned}$$

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Remark. H^* has ring structure $H^p \times H^q \rightarrow H^{p+q}$ given by the cup-product \smile . This isomorphism is compatible with products ($\wedge^p \times \wedge^q \rightarrow \wedge^{p+q}$), since in the Künneth formula, the isomorphism is given by

$$H^p(X_1) \times H^q(X_2) \xrightarrow{(\text{pr}_1^*, \text{pr}_2^*)} H^p(X_1 \times X_2) \times H^q(X_1 \times X_2) \xrightarrow{\smile} H^{p+q}(X_1 \times X_2).$$

For $\mathbb{K} = \mathbb{R}, \mathbb{C}$ we have $H^*(X, \mathbb{K}) = H^*(K, \mathbb{Z}) \otimes_{\mathbb{Z}} \mathbb{K}$. Another description is given by differential forms.

Let X be a (C^∞) -manifold. Let $A^n(X) = \{C^\infty \text{ real-valued } n\text{-forms}\}$. The exterior derivative is defined by:

$$d : A^n(X) \rightarrow A^{n+1}(X), f dx_{i_1} \wedge \cdots \wedge dx_{i_n} \mapsto df \wedge dx_{i_1} \wedge \cdots = \sum_j \frac{\partial f}{\partial x_j} dx_j \wedge dx_{i_1} \wedge \cdots$$

Then $d^2 = 0$. *De Rham cohomology of X* is

$$H_{\text{dR}}^n(X, \mathbb{R}) = A^n(X)^{d=0} / dA^{n-1}(X).$$

We can do the same with \mathbb{C} coefficients $A_{\mathbb{C}}^n(X) = A^n(X) \otimes_{\mathbb{R}} \mathbb{C}$. Then $H_{\text{dR}}^n(X, \mathbb{C}) = A_{\mathbb{C}}^n(X)^{d=0} / \text{im } d \simeq H_{\text{dR}}^n(X, \mathbb{R}) \otimes_{\mathbb{R}} \mathbb{C}$.

Theorem (De Rham Theorem). *The integration pairing $H_n(X, \mathbb{Z}) \times H_{\text{dR}}^n(X, \mathbb{R}) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ gives an isomorphism $H^n(X, \mathbb{R}) = \text{Hom}(H_n(X, \mathbb{Z}), \mathbb{R}) \simeq H_{\text{dR}}^n(X, \mathbb{R})$ and this is compatible with products.*

Back to tori. Let X be a (real or complex) torus. Say $\omega \in A^n(X)$ is *invariant* if for all $y \in X$, $T_y^* \omega = \omega$, where $T_y : X \rightarrow X, x \mapsto x + y$. Let

$$A^n(X)^{\text{inv}} = \{\text{invariant } n\text{-forms}\} \subseteq A^n(X)$$

Note that $A^0(X)^{\text{inv}} = \mathbb{R}$.

Proposition 3.6. *If $\varphi : V \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is linear, then $d\varphi \in A^1(X)^{\text{inv}}$. This induces isomorphisms $\bigwedge^n \text{Hom}_{\mathbb{R}}(V, \mathbb{R}) \simeq A^n(X)^{\text{inv}}$ for all $n \geq 0$.*

Proof. Clearly $d\varphi$ defines an invariant 1-form on $A^1(X)$. Pick coordinates x_i (i.e. a basis of V), so $(x_i)_i$ is a basis for $\text{Hom}_{\mathbb{R}}(V, \mathbb{R})$. Then $\omega = \sum f_I dx_I \in A^n(X)$ is invariant iff each f_I is invariant, i.e. constant, so $(dx_I)_I$ is a basis for $A^n(X)^{\text{inv}}$, hence the map $\bigwedge^n \text{Hom}_{\mathbb{R}}(V, \mathbb{R}) \rightarrow A^n(X)^{\text{inv}}$ is an isomorphism. \square

Theorem 3.7. *We have $A^n(X)^{\text{inv}} \subseteq A^n(X)^{d=0}$, and the map $A^n(X)^{\text{inv}} \rightarrow H_{\text{dR}}^n(X, \mathbb{R})$ is an isomorphism. Furthermore, the composite isomorphism $\bigwedge^n \text{Hom}_{\mathbb{R}}(V, \mathbb{R}) \simeq A^n(X)^{\text{inv}} \simeq H^n(X, \mathbb{R}) \simeq \bigwedge^n \text{Hom}(\Gamma, \mathbb{R})$ is the \bigwedge^n of the restriction map $\text{Hom}_{\mathbb{R}}(V, \mathbb{R}) \xrightarrow{\cong} \text{Hom}(\Gamma, \mathbb{R})$.*

Proof. By the proposition, $A^n(X)^{\text{inv}}$ is spanned by elements of the form $d\varphi_1 \wedge \cdots \wedge d\varphi_n$, $\varphi_i \in \text{Hom}_{\mathbb{R}}(V, \mathbb{R})$, and they are closed. Now consider the commutative diagram:

$$\begin{array}{ccccc} \text{Hom}_{\mathbb{R}}(V, \mathbb{R}) & \xrightarrow[\cong]{\varphi \mapsto d\varphi} & A^1(X)^{\text{inv}} & \hookrightarrow & A^1(X)^{d=0} \\ \downarrow (*) & & & & \downarrow \\ \text{Hom}(\Gamma, \mathbb{R}) & \xrightarrow{=} & \text{Hom}(H_1(X, \mathbb{Z}), \mathbb{R}) & \xleftarrow[\cong]{\int} & H_{\text{dR}}^1(X, \mathbb{R}) \end{array}$$

The map $(*)$ maps φ to $\Gamma \ni \gamma \mapsto \int_{\gamma \in H_1} d\varphi = \int_0^\gamma d\varphi = \varphi(\gamma)$. So $(*)$ is the restriction map which is an isomorphism, so $A^1(X)^{\text{inv}} \rightarrow H^1(X, \mathbb{R})$ is an isomorphism. Taking \bigwedge^n gives isomorphism in all degrees. \square

Addendum: The same works with complex coefficients: If we $\otimes_{\mathbb{R}} \mathbb{C}$ this, we get:

$$\bigwedge_{\mathbb{C}}^n \text{Hom}_{\mathbb{R}}(V, \mathbb{C}) \simeq A_{\mathbb{C}}^n(X)^{\text{inv}} \simeq H^n(X, \mathbb{C}) \simeq \bigwedge_{\mathbb{C}}^n \text{Hom}(\Gamma, \mathbb{C}).$$

Now suppose $X = V/\Gamma$ is a *complex* torus (so V is a complex vector space). Then

$$\text{Hom}_{\mathbb{R}}(V, \mathbb{C}) = \text{Hom}_{\mathbb{C}}(\mathbb{C} \otimes_{\mathbb{R}} V, \mathbb{C}) \xleftarrow{\simeq} \text{Hom}_{\mathbb{C}}(V \oplus \bar{V}, \mathbb{C}) = V^* \oplus \bar{V}^*$$

Then

$$V^* = \text{Hom}_{\mathbb{C}}(V, \mathbb{C}), \bar{V}^* = \text{Hom}_{\text{anti-linear}}(V, \mathbb{C}) \hookrightarrow \text{Hom}_{\mathbb{R}}(V, \mathbb{C}).$$

In other words, we have an isomorphism $V^* \oplus \bar{V}^* \xrightarrow{\simeq} A_{\mathbb{C}}^1(X)^{\text{inv}} \simeq H^1(X, \mathbb{C})$, $(\varphi, \psi) \mapsto d\varphi + d\psi$.

In higher degrees, we deduce

$$H^n(X, \mathbb{C}) = \bigwedge_{\mathbb{C}}^n (V^* \oplus \bar{V}^*) = \bigoplus_{p+q=n} \bigwedge_{\mathbb{C}}^p V^* \otimes \bigwedge_{\mathbb{C}}^q \bar{V}^*.$$

Definition. Let X be any complex manifold. A form $\omega \in A_{\mathbb{C}}^n(X)$ is of Hodge type (p, q) if locally

$$\omega = \sum_{I, J} f_{I, J} dz_{i_1} \wedge \cdots \wedge dz_{i_p} \wedge d\bar{z}_{j_1} \wedge \cdots \wedge d\bar{z}_{j_q}$$

where z_i are local holomorphic coordinates on X . We let

$$A^{p, q}(X) = \{\omega \in A_{\mathbb{C}}^{p+q}(X) \text{ of Hodge type } (p, q)\}.$$

Clearly, we have $A_{\mathbb{C}}^n(X) = \bigoplus_{p+q=n} A^{p, q}(X)$. But it is not obvious (and not true for arbitrary complex manifolds X) that this decomposition passes to cohomology:

Theorem 3.8 (Hodge decomposition). Let $X = V/\Gamma$ be a complex torus. Then for all $n \geq 0$,

$$H^n(X, \mathbb{C}) = \bigoplus_{p+q=n} H^{p, q}(X, \mathbb{C})$$

where $H^{p, q}(X) \simeq A^{p, q}(X)^{\text{inv}} \cong \bigwedge^p V^* \otimes \bigwedge^q \bar{V}^*$. Also $H^{q, p}(X) = \overline{H^{p, q}(X)}$ inside $H^n(X, \mathbb{C})$.

(For general compact X , with a *Kähler metric*, there is a similar decomposition, replacing “invariant” with “harmonic”. This uses PDE theory, in particular the regularity properties of elliptic operators. In our case, it was just easy linear algebra!)

Let $X = V/\Gamma$ be a complex torus. What we have so far:

$$H^1(X, \mathbb{R}) \cong \text{Hom}(\Gamma, \mathbb{R}) = \text{Hom}_{\mathbb{R}}(V, \mathbb{R}),$$

$$\begin{aligned}
H^1(X, \mathbb{C}) &= \text{Hom}_{\mathbb{R}}(V, \mathbb{R}) \otimes_{\mathbb{R}} \mathbb{C} = \text{Hom}_{\mathbb{C}}(\mathbb{C} \otimes_{\mathbb{R}} V, \mathbb{C}) = V^* \oplus \bar{V}^*, \\
H^n(X, \mathbb{C}) &= \bigwedge_{\mathbb{C}}^n H^1(X, \mathbb{C}) = \bigoplus_{p+q=n} H^{p,q}(X), \\
H^{p,q}(X) &= \bigwedge_{\mathbb{C}}^p V^* \otimes_{\mathbb{C}} \bigwedge_{\mathbb{C}}^q \bar{V}^* = A^{p,q}(X)^{\text{inv}}.
\end{aligned}$$

Concrete: If $V = \mathbb{C}^g$, then $\mathbb{C}^g = V^* \ni (a_i) \mapsto \sum a_i dz_i \in H^1$ and $(b_i) \in \bar{V}^* \cong \mathbb{C}^g \mapsto \sum b_i d\bar{z}_i$.

Individual pieces:

Proposition 3.9. *Let $H^0(X, \Omega_X^n) = \{\text{holomorphic } n\text{-forms}\}$. Then*

$$H^0(X, \Omega_X) = A^{n,0}(X)^{\text{inv}} \simeq \bigwedge_{\mathbb{C}}^n V^* = H^{n,0}(X).$$

Proof. Pick basis $\mathbb{C}^g \simeq V$. We know that $A^{n,0}(X)^{\text{inv}}$ has basis $\{dz_I = dz_{i_1} \wedge \cdots \wedge dz_{i_n} \mid I = (i_1 < \cdots < i_n)\}$ and $H^0(X, \Omega_X^n) = \{\omega = \sum_I f_I dz_I \mid f_I \text{ holomorphic and } \Gamma\text{-invariant}\}$. By Liouville, these f_I are constant, hence $H^0(X, \Omega_X^n) = A^{n,0}(X)^{\text{inv}}$. \square

Theorem 3.10 (Dolbeault isomorphism). *There is a canonical isomorphism*

$$H^{p,q}(X) \simeq H^q(X, \Omega_X^p).$$

It called the Dolbeault isomorphism.

We prove it by reducing to the special case $p = 0$. We know that $\Omega_X^p = \bigoplus_I \mathcal{O}_X dz_I$ is free, in coordinate-free words: $H^0(X, \Omega_X^p) \otimes_{\mathbb{C}} \mathcal{O}_X \simeq \Omega_X^p$. Thus we get an isomorphism $H^0(X, \Omega_X^p) \otimes_{\mathbb{C}} H^q(X, \mathcal{O}_X) \xrightarrow{\sim} H^q(X, \Omega_X^p)$. We know that $H^0(X, \Omega_X^p) \simeq \bigwedge^p V^*$, so it is enough to show that $H^q(X, \mathcal{O}_X) \simeq \bigwedge_{\mathbb{C}}^q \bar{V}^*$. More precisely:

Theorem 3.11. *The map $H^n(X, \mathbb{C}) \rightarrow H^n(X, \mathcal{O}_X)$ factors as*

$$H^n(X, \mathbb{C}) = \bigoplus_{p+q=n} H^{p,q}(X) \rightarrow H^{0,n}(X) \simeq H^n(X, \mathcal{O}_X).$$

Proof sketch (Almost complete in $g = 1$). Fact: $A_{\mathbb{C}}^0(X) = \{C^\infty\text{-functions}\}$ is given by Fourier series (note $X \simeq (\mathbb{R}/\mathbb{Z})^{2g}$). Now suppose that $g = 1$, $X = \mathbb{C}/\Gamma$ where $\Gamma = \mathbb{Z}\gamma_1 \oplus \mathbb{Z}\gamma_2$ with $\text{Im}(\gamma_2/\gamma_1) > 0$. Write $z = x_1\gamma_1 + x_2\gamma_2$ with $x_1, x_2 \in \mathbb{R}$. For $f \in A_{\mathbb{C}}^0(X)$ we get the Fourier series expansion:

$$f(z) = \sum_{m_1, m_2 \in \mathbb{Z}} c_m e^{2\pi i(m_1 x_2 - m_2 x_1)} = \sum_{\gamma \in \Gamma} c_\gamma e^{\pi(\bar{\gamma}z - \gamma\bar{z})/A}$$

where A is the area of the fundamental parallelogram and $|c_\gamma| |\gamma|^N \rightarrow 0$ for all N as $|\gamma| \rightarrow \infty$.

Let $\mathcal{A}_X^{p,q}$ be the sheaf of C^∞ (p, q) forms. By the Cauchy-Riemann equations we have

$$\mathcal{O}_X = \ker \left(\mathcal{A}_{X,\mathbb{C}}^0 = \mathcal{A}_X^{0,0} \xrightarrow{\bar{\partial}} \mathcal{A}_X^{0,1} \right) ..$$

Now $\bar{\partial}$ is surjective as a map of sheaves: If $\omega = fd\bar{z} \in \mathcal{A}_X^{0,1}(U)$, then (possibly shrinking U a bit) we can find $g \in A_{\mathbb{C}}^0(X)$ such that $g|_U = f$ (using bump functions), with $\int_{\mathbb{C}/\Gamma} g = 0$. So g has Fourier series with $c_0 = 0$; then

$$gd\bar{z} = \bar{\partial} \sum_{\gamma \neq 0} -\frac{A}{\pi\gamma} c_\gamma e^{\pi(\bar{\gamma}z - \gamma\bar{z})/A} \in \bar{\partial}(A^0(X)).$$

So there is a SES:

$$0 \rightarrow \mathcal{O}_X \rightarrow \mathcal{A}_X^{0,0} \xrightarrow{\bar{\partial}} \mathcal{A}_X^{0,1} \rightarrow 0$$

The sheaves $\mathcal{A}_X^{p,q}$ are acyclic, i.e. $H^i(X, \mathcal{A}_X^{p,q}) = 0$ for $i > 0$. This is because they are *fine sheaves* (partition of unity argument). Therefore we can calculate $H^*(X, \mathcal{O}_X)$ using this resolution of \mathcal{O}_X , so $H^1(X, \mathcal{O}_X) = \text{coker}(\bar{\partial} : A^{0,0}(X) \rightarrow A^{0,1}(X)) = A^{0,1}(X)/\bar{\partial}A^{0,0}(X)$. We just saw: $\omega \in A^{0,1}(X)$ lies in $\text{im}(\bar{\partial})$ iff its 0th Fourier coefficient is 0 and so $A^{0,1}(X) = \text{im}(\bar{\partial}) \oplus \mathbb{C}d\bar{z}$ and $\mathbb{C}d\bar{z} = A^{0,1}(X)^{\text{inv}}$. So $H^1(X, \mathcal{O}_X) = A^{0,1}(X)^{\text{inv}} = H^{0,1}(X)$.

In the general case,

$$0 \rightarrow \mathcal{O}_X \rightarrow \mathcal{A}_X^{0,0} \xrightarrow{\bar{\partial}} \mathcal{A}_X^{0,1} \xrightarrow{\bar{\partial}} \dots \rightarrow \mathcal{A}_X^{0,q} \rightarrow 0$$

is exact ($\bar{\partial}$ -Poincare lemma) and $A^{0,q}(X)^{\bar{\partial}=0} = \bar{\partial}A^{0,q-1}(X) \oplus A^{0,q}(X)^{\text{inv}}$. See [Mum70, Chapter 1], [BL04, Section 1.4]. \square

4 Pic of Complex Tori

Let X be a complex manifold.

Recall that the *Picard-group*

$$\text{Pic}(X) := \{\text{invertible } \mathcal{O}_X\text{-modules}\}/\text{isomorphism}$$

is a group under \otimes .

It is a basic fact that $\text{Pic}(X) \simeq H^1(X, \mathcal{O}_X^*)$. We describe the isomorphism. Given an invertible sheaf \mathcal{L} with trivialization (s_i) on the open cover (U_i) , let

$$c_{ij} = s_j^{-1}s_i|_{U_i \cap U_j} \in \mathcal{O}_X^*(U_i \cap U_j).$$

Then $c_{ij}c_{jk} = c_{ik}$ on $U_i \cap U_j \cap U_k$. Thus $(c_{ij})_{ij}$ is a 1-Čech cocycle with values in \mathcal{O}_X^* , so it defines an element of $H^1(X, \mathcal{O}_X^*)$. If (s'_i) is another trivialization, then $t_i = s'_i(1)/s_i(1) \in \mathcal{O}_X^*(U_i)$, and $c'_{ij} = (s'_j)^{-1}s'_i|_{U_i \cap U_j} = c_{ij}t_i/t_j$ and $(i, j) \mapsto t_i/t_j$ is a coboundary. Hence the two trivializations give the same element in $H^1(X, \mathcal{O}_X^*)$. Similarly, one checks that it is independent of the cover U_i , so we get a well-defined map $\text{Pic}(X) \rightarrow H^1(X, \mathcal{O}_X^*)$ which in fact is an isomorphism.

Recall the *exponential sequence*:

$$0 \rightarrow \underbrace{2\pi i\mathbb{Z}}_{=: \mathbb{Z}(1)} \rightarrow \mathcal{O}_X \xrightarrow{\text{exp}} \mathcal{O}_X^* \rightarrow 0.$$

Suppose X is compact and connected, then H^0 of this is

$$0 \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}(1) \rightarrow \mathbb{C} \xrightarrow{\text{exp}} \mathbb{C}^* \rightarrow 0$$

and H^1, H^2 terms:

$$0 \rightarrow H^1(X, \mathbb{Z}(1)) \xrightarrow{j} H^1(X, \mathcal{O}_X) \rightarrow \underbrace{H^1(X, \mathcal{O}_X^*)}_{\text{Pic}(X)} \xrightarrow{c_1} H^2(X, \mathbb{Z}(1)) \rightarrow H^2(X, \mathcal{O}_X).$$

So $\text{Pic}(X)$ contains a subgroup $\text{Pic}^0(X) := \text{coker } j = \ker c_1$. The quotient

$$\text{Pic}(X)/\text{Pic}^0(X) =: \text{NS}(X)$$

is the *Neron-Severi group* of X . Via c_1 it is isomorphic to $\ker(H^2(X, \mathbb{Z}(1)) \rightarrow H^2(X, \mathcal{O}_X))$. $H^2(X, \mathbb{Z}(1))$ is finitely generated, hence so is $\text{NS}(X)$.

Now suppose $X = V/\Gamma$ is a complex torus. We inspect $\text{Pic}^0(X)$ and $\text{NS}(X)$.

(1) $\text{Pic}^0(X) = H^1(X, \mathcal{O}_X) / \text{im } j$. We have a commutative diagram:

$$\begin{array}{ccccc}
& & j & & \\
& \swarrow & & \searrow & \\
H^1(X, \mathbb{Z}(1)) & \longleftrightarrow & H^1(X, \mathbb{C}) & \longrightarrow & H^1(X, \mathcal{O}_X) \\
\downarrow = & & \downarrow = & & \downarrow \simeq \\
\text{Hom}(\Gamma, \mathbb{Z}(1)) & & \text{Hom}_{\mathbb{R}}(V, \mathbb{C}) & & \bar{V}^* \\
\downarrow \text{lattice} & \nearrow & \simeq \uparrow (*) & \xrightarrow{\text{pr}_2} & \\
\text{Hom}_{\mathbb{R}}(V, \mathbb{R}(1)) & & V^* \oplus \bar{V}^* & & \\
& \searrow & j_{\mathbb{R}} & \nearrow &
\end{array}$$

The right isomorphism and commutativity is essentially Theorem 3.11 for $n = 1$. $(*)$ is given by inclusions $V^*, \bar{V}^* \subseteq \text{Hom}_{\mathbb{R}}(V, \mathbb{C})$. The inverse of $(*)$ is given by $\text{Hom}_{\mathbb{R}}(V, \mathbb{C}) \ni l \mapsto (\lambda, \mu) \in V^* \oplus \bar{V}^*$ where

$$\begin{aligned}
\lambda(v) &= \frac{1}{2}(l(v) - il(v)), \\
\mu(v) &= \frac{1}{2}(l(v) + il(iv)).
\end{aligned}$$

So $j_{\mathbb{R}}$, the \mathbb{R} -linear extension of $j : \text{Hom}_{\mathbb{R}}(V, \mathbb{Z}(1)) \rightarrow \bar{V}^*$, is given by $j_{\mathbb{R}}(l)(v) = \mu(v) = \frac{1}{2}(l(v) + il(iv))$ and so $j_{\mathbb{R}}$ is an isomorphism, with inverse $\mu \mapsto \mu - \bar{\mu}$ (since l is purely imaginary). Therefore $j(H^1(X, \mathbb{Z}(1))) \subseteq \bar{V}^*$ is a lattice.

Theorem 4.1. $\hat{X} := \text{Pic}^0(X) \simeq \bar{V}^* / \text{im}(j)$ is a complex torus (the dual of X) and there are isomorphisms

$$\hat{X} \xrightarrow[\simeq]{j_{\mathbb{R}}^{-1}} \frac{\text{Hom}(\Gamma, \mathbb{R}(1))}{\text{Hom}(\Gamma, \mathbb{Z}(1))} \xrightarrow[\simeq]{\text{exp}} \text{Hom}(\Gamma, U(1))$$

where $U(1) = S^1 \subseteq \mathbb{C}^*$.

(2) $\text{NS}(X)$.

Definition. A Riemann form for X is a Hermitian form $H : V \times V \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ for which the alternating form $E = \text{Im } H : V \times V \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is integer-valued on $\Gamma \times \Gamma$, i.e. $E \in \text{Alt}_{\mathbb{Z}}^2(\Gamma)$.

From Exercise Sheet 1: To give a Riemann form H is equivalent to giving an alternating map $E : \Gamma \times \Gamma \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}$ such that its \mathbb{C} -bilinear extension

$$E_{\mathbb{C}} : (\mathbb{C} \otimes \Gamma) \times (\mathbb{C} \otimes \Gamma) = (V \oplus \bar{V}) \times (V \oplus \bar{V}) \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$$

satisfies $E_{\mathbb{C}}(V, V) = 0$ (equivalently $E_{\mathbb{C}}(\bar{V}, \bar{V}) = 0$). The correspondence is $H \mapsto E = \text{Im } H$ and $E \mapsto (H : (u, v) \mapsto 2iE_{\mathbb{C}}((u, 0), (0, \bar{v})))$.

Theorem 4.2. $\text{NS}(X) \simeq \{\text{Riemann forms on } X\}$.

Proof.

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc}
0 & \longrightarrow & \text{NS}(X) & \hookrightarrow & H^2(X, \mathbb{Z}(1)) & \longrightarrow & H^2(X, \mathcal{O}_X) \\
& & & \searrow & \simeq \uparrow 2\pi i & & \simeq \uparrow 2\pi i \\
& & & & H^2(X, \mathbb{Z}) & \xrightarrow{(**)} & H^2(X, \mathcal{O}_X)
\end{array}$$

Note that

$$H^2(X, \mathbb{Z}) = \bigwedge^2 \text{Hom}(\Gamma, \mathbb{Z}) = \text{Alt}_{\mathbb{Z}}^2(\Gamma) = \{\text{alternating bilinear } E : \Gamma \times \Gamma \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}\}$$

$$\text{and } H^2(X, \mathcal{O}_X) = \bigwedge^2 \bar{V}^* = \text{Alt}_{\mathbb{C}}^2(\bar{V}).$$

Claim: $(**)$ takes $E \in \text{Alt}_{\mathbb{Z}}^2(\Gamma)$ to $E_{\mathbb{C}}|_{\bar{V} \times \bar{V}} \in \text{Alt}_{\mathbb{C}}^2(\bar{V})$.

If so, we get

$$\text{NS}(X) \xrightarrow{\simeq} \{E \in \text{Alt}_{\mathbb{Z}}^2(\Gamma) \mid E_{\mathbb{C}}|_{\bar{V} \times \bar{V}} = 0\} = \{\text{Riemann forms}\}$$

Hence the theorem. Proof of claim:

$$\begin{array}{ccccc}
H^2(X, \mathbb{Z}) & \hookrightarrow & H^2(X, \mathbb{C}) & \twoheadrightarrow & H^2(X, \mathcal{O}_X) \\
\Big| = & & \Big| = & & \Big| = \\
\text{Alt}_{\mathbb{Z}}^2(\Gamma) & \longrightarrow & \underbrace{\text{Alt}_{\mathbb{C}}^2(\mathbb{C} \otimes_{\mathbb{R}} V)}_{= \text{Alt}_{\mathbb{C}}^2(V \oplus \bar{V})} & \longrightarrow & \text{Alt}_{\mathbb{C}}^2(\bar{V})
\end{array}$$

The first map in the bottom line is given by $E \mapsto E_{\mathbb{C}}$. By Theorem 3.11, the second map is given by restriction to $\bar{V} \times \bar{V} \subseteq (V \oplus \bar{V} \times V \oplus \bar{V})$. \square

Remark. $c_1 : \text{Pic}(X) \rightarrow H^2(X, \mathbb{Z}(1))$ is the *first Chern class homomorphism*. It classifies *topological line bundles*, i.e. $c_1(R) = 0$ iff the corresponding C^∞ -line bundle is trivial.

So

$$0 \rightarrow \text{Pic}^0(X) \rightarrow \text{Pic}(X) \rightarrow \text{NS}(X) \rightarrow 0$$

and $\text{Pic}^0(X) \simeq \text{Hom}(\Gamma, U(1))$ and $\text{NS}(X) \simeq \{\text{Riemann forms}\}$ is free abelian. As $\text{NS}(X)$ is free, this splits (although not canonically).

Definition.

$$P(X) := \left\{ (H, \alpha) \mid \begin{array}{l} H \text{ is a Riemann form, } \alpha : \Gamma \rightarrow U(1) \text{ s.t.} \\ \alpha(\gamma + \delta) = \alpha(\gamma)\alpha(\delta)e^{\pi i E(\gamma, \delta)}, E = \text{Im } H \end{array} \right\}$$

There is an exact sequence:

$$\begin{array}{c}
0 \rightarrow \text{Hom}(\Gamma, U(1)) \rightarrow P(X) \rightarrow \{\text{Riemann forms}\}. \\
\alpha \mapsto (0, \alpha)
\end{array}$$

Lemma 4.3. *This is exact on the right, i.e. for all H , there exists an $\alpha : \Gamma \rightarrow U(1)$ such that $(H, \alpha) \in P(X)$.*

Theorem 4.4 (Appell-Humbert). *There is an isomorphism $P(X) \simeq \text{Pic}(X)$ such that*

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc} 0 & \longrightarrow & \text{Hom}(\Gamma, U(1)) & \longrightarrow & P(X) & \longrightarrow & \{\text{Riemann forms}\} \longrightarrow 0 \\ & & \downarrow \simeq & & \downarrow \simeq & & \downarrow \simeq \\ 0 & \longrightarrow & \text{Pic}^0(X) & \longrightarrow & \text{Pic}(X) & \longrightarrow & \text{NS}(X) \longrightarrow 0 \end{array}$$

commutes.

Proof. We will explicitly construct an invertible sheaf $\mathcal{L}(H, \alpha) \in \text{Pic}(X)$ for each $(H, \alpha) \in P(X)$ so that this map makes the diagram commute. It is then clear that it must be an isomorphism by the Five Lemma.

Let $\pi : V \rightarrow X = V/\Gamma$ be the quotient map. Idea: We will write down \mathcal{L} with $\pi^*\mathcal{L} \simeq \mathcal{O}_V$ (in fact every invertible \mathcal{O}_V -module is trivial). By adjunction, we find a subsheaf $\mathcal{L} \subseteq \pi_*\mathcal{O}_V$.

We say that a connected open subset $U \subseteq X$ is *small* if $U = \pi(U')$, $U' \subseteq V$ open, such that the translates $\overline{U'} + \gamma$, $\gamma \in \Gamma$, are disjoint. If so, then

- $\pi^{-1}(U) = \coprod \{\text{opens } U' \subseteq V \text{ such that } \pi : U' \xrightarrow{\simeq} U\}$,
- Γ permutes $\{U'\}$ simply transitively,
- $\pi_*\mathcal{O}_V(U) = \mathcal{O}_V(\pi^{-1}U) = \prod_{U'} \mathcal{O}_V(U')$.

Every open subset of X is a union of small opens, so to define a sheaf on X , it is enough to define it on the set of small opens.

We want $\mathcal{L}(U) \cong \mathcal{O}_X(U)$ for small U , so let

$$\mathcal{L}(U) = \left\{ (s_{U'}) \in \prod_{\pi:U' \xrightarrow{\simeq} U} \mathcal{O}_V(U') \mid \forall \gamma \in \Gamma, z \in U', s_{U'+\gamma}(z+\gamma) = s_{U'}(z)c_\gamma(z) \quad (*) \right\}$$

for some family (c_γ) with $c_\gamma : V \rightarrow \mathbb{C}^\times$ holomorphic, to be determined. For example, if we let $c_\gamma = 1$ for all γ , we get $\mathcal{L} \simeq \mathcal{O}_X$.

The condition $(*)$ implies that $\mathcal{L}(U) \hookrightarrow \mathcal{O}_V(U')$ for each U' . If $\gamma, \delta \in \Gamma$, then by $(*)$,

$$c_{\gamma+\delta}(z)s_{U'}(z) = s_{U'+\gamma+\delta}(z+\gamma+\delta) = c_\delta(z+\gamma)s_{U'+\gamma}(z+\gamma) = c_\delta(z+\gamma)c_\gamma(z)s_{U'}(z)$$

So if $\mathcal{L}(U) \neq 0$, then (c_γ) satisfies the cocycle condition $c_{\gamma+\delta}(z) = c_\gamma(z)c_\delta(z+\gamma)$.

Conversely, provided (c_γ) satisfies the cocycle condition, $\mathcal{L}(U) \xrightarrow{\simeq} \mathcal{O}_V(U')$ for every U' .

Observe that if $g : V \rightarrow \mathbb{C}^*$ is holomorphic, and $(c_\gamma)_{\gamma \in \Gamma}$ satisfies the cocycle condition, so does $c'_\gamma(z) = c_\gamma(z)g(z+\gamma)/g(z)$ and defines an isomorphic invertible sheaf \mathcal{L}' (multiply $s_{U'+\gamma}$ by $g(z+\gamma)$).

Now we construct (c_γ) starting from $(H, \alpha) \in P(X)$, thus defining the sheaf $\mathcal{L}(H, \alpha)$.

Define

$$c_\gamma(z) = \alpha(\gamma) \exp \left(\pi(H(z, \gamma) + \frac{1}{2}H(\gamma, \gamma)) \right)$$

For each γ , $c_\gamma : V \rightarrow \mathbb{C}^*$ is holomorphic. We claim that it satisfies the cocycle relation:

$$\begin{aligned} c_\gamma(z)c_\delta(z + \gamma) &= \alpha(\gamma)\alpha(\delta) \exp \pi \left(H(z, \gamma) + \frac{1}{2}H(\gamma, \gamma) + H(z, \delta) + H(\gamma, \delta) + \frac{1}{2}H(\delta, \delta) \right) \\ &= \alpha(\gamma + \delta) \exp \pi \left(H(z, \gamma + \delta) + \frac{1}{2}(H(\gamma + \delta, \gamma + \delta) + H(\gamma, \delta) - H(\delta, \gamma)) - iE(\gamma, \delta) \right) \\ &= c_{\gamma+\delta}(z) \end{aligned}$$

For the last equality note that $H(\gamma, \delta) - H(\delta, \gamma) = H(\gamma, \delta) - \overline{H(\gamma, \delta)} = 2iE(\gamma, \delta)$.

Now let $\mathcal{L}(H, \alpha)$ be the invertible \mathcal{O}_X -module given by $(c_\gamma)_\gamma$. If $(H, \alpha), (H', \alpha') \in P(X)$ give cocycles $(c_\gamma), (c'_\gamma)$, then

$$(H + H', \alpha + \alpha') \longmapsto \text{cocycle } (c_\gamma c'_\gamma)_\gamma$$

So $\mathcal{L}(H + H', \alpha + \alpha') \simeq \mathcal{L}(H, \alpha) \otimes \mathcal{L}(H', \alpha')$. Hence we obtain a homomorphism

$$P(X) \rightarrow \text{Pic}(X), (H, \alpha) \mapsto (\text{isomorphism class of } \mathcal{L}(H, \alpha))$$

A (non-trivial) computation shows that this is compatible with the other vertical maps in the diagram. \square

Let $\mathcal{L} \in \text{Pic}(X)$, $x \in X$. Let $T_x : X \rightarrow X$ be translation by x . Then $T_x^* \mathcal{L}$ and \mathcal{L} have the same image in $\text{NS}(X)$. Indeed, $\text{NS}(X) \subseteq H^2(X, \mathbb{C}) \simeq A_{\mathbb{C}}^2(X)^{\text{inv}}$, is invariant under T_x^* . So $\varphi_{\mathcal{L}}(x) := T_x^* \mathcal{L} \otimes \mathcal{L}^{-1}$ lies in $\text{Pic}^0(X)$.

Proposition 4.5. $\varphi_{\mathcal{L}} : X \rightarrow \text{Pic}^0(X) = \widehat{X}$ is a homomorphism of complex tori, i.e. it is holomorphic and a group homomorphism.

Proof. See Sheet 2, Exercise 1. \square

Theorem 4.6. Let $\mathcal{L} = \mathcal{L}(H, \alpha)$. The following are equivalent:

- (i) H is positive definite.
- (ii) $H^0(X, \mathcal{L}) \neq 0$ and $\varphi_{\mathcal{L}}$ is an isogeny, i.e. $\ker \varphi_{\mathcal{L}}$ is finite (as $\dim X = \dim \widehat{X}$).
- (iii) \mathcal{L} is ample.

Meaning of (iii). Let $n \geq 1$, $d = d_n = \dim H^0(X, \mathcal{L}^{\otimes n})$. Let f_0, \dots, f_{d-1} be a basis for $H^0(X, \mathcal{L}^{\otimes n})$. Then \mathcal{L} is ample iff for some $n \geq 1$, $f = (f_0 : \dots : f_{d-1} : X \rightarrow \mathbb{P}^{d-1}(\mathbb{C}))$ is well-defined and gives an isomorphism between X and a subvariety of \mathbb{P}^{d-1} . If so, then $\mathcal{L}^{\otimes n} \simeq f^* \mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}^1}(1)$. Note that while the f_i themselves are not functions on X , their ratios are (as $\mathcal{L}^{\otimes n}$ is of rank 1), so f makes sense (where not all f_i vanish).

Definition. A polarisation on X is a positive definite Riemann form H .

By the theorem, X is a projective variety iff X has a polarisation.

5 Group Schemes over Fields

Let k be a field (often algebraically closed). In the following all schemes will be k -schemes. The category of k -schemes (resp. affine schemes) will be denoted by \mathbf{Sch}/k (resp. \mathbf{Aff}/k).

Recall that if X, S are k -schemes, then we write $X(S) := \text{Mor}_k(S, X)$ for the set of S -valued points of X . If R is a k -algebra, we just write $X(R) := X(\text{Spec } R)$.

In this course, a (k -)variety is a separated k -scheme of finite type over k which is geometrically integral.

Definition. A group scheme (over k) is a k -scheme G , together with a morphism $m : G \times G \rightarrow G$ such that for all k -algebras R , $m_R : G(R) \times G(R) \rightarrow G(R)$ makes $G(R)$ into a group.

Examples.

- Additive group: $\mathbb{G}_a = \text{Spec } k[t] = \mathbb{A}_k^1$ and $m : \mathbb{G}_a \times \mathbb{G}_a = \text{Spec } k[t_1, t_2] \rightarrow \text{Spec } k[t] = \mathbb{G}_a$ is given by $t \mapsto t_1 + t_2$. Then $\mathbb{G}_a(R) = R$, with group operation $+$.
- Multiplicative group: $\mathbb{G}_m = \text{Spec } k[t, 1/t] = \mathbb{A}_k^1 \setminus \{0\}$ and $m : \mathbb{G}_m \times \mathbb{G}_m = \text{Spec } k[t_1, t_2, 1/(t_1 t_2)] \rightarrow \text{Spec } k[t, 1/t]$ is given by $t \mapsto t_1 \cdot t_2$. Then $\mathbb{G}_m(R) = (R^\times, \times)$.
- Linear groups: $\text{GL}_n = \text{Spec } k[(t_{ij})_{ij}, \frac{1}{\det(t_{ij})}]$. Then

$$m : \text{GL}_n \times \text{GL}_n = \text{Spec}[(u_{ij}), (v_{ij}), \frac{1}{\det(u_{ij}) \det(v_{ij})}] \longrightarrow \text{GL}_n$$

is given by $t_{ij} \mapsto \sum_{l=1}^n u_{il} v_{lj}$. Then $\text{GL}_n(R)$ is what you think it is.

Recall the Yoneda Lemma:

Lemma 5.1 (Yoneda Lemma). *Let \mathcal{C} be a category, $X, Y \in \text{ob } \mathcal{C}$. Then there is a bijection*

$$\text{Mor}(X, Y) \longleftrightarrow \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{natural transformations } X(-) \rightarrow Y(-), \text{ i.e.} \\ \text{families } (f_S : X(S) \rightarrow Y(S))_{S \in \text{ob } \mathcal{C}} \text{ such that} \\ f_S(x) \circ g = f_{S'}(x \circ g) \text{ for all } g : S' \rightarrow S, x \in X(S) \end{array} \right\}$$

where $f : X \rightarrow Y$ induces the natural transformation $X(-) \rightarrow Y(-)$ given by $f_S : X(S) \rightarrow Y(S), g \mapsto f \circ g$ where $S \in \text{ob } \mathcal{C}$. Conversely, given a natural transformation $(f_S)_S$, we get a morphism $f : X \rightarrow Y$ where $f = f_X(\text{id}_X)$.

In the case of $\mathcal{C} = \mathbf{Sch}/k$, we may restrict ourselves to affine S :

Lemma 5.2 (Yoneda for schemes). *Let X, Y be k -schemes. The usual Yoneda correspondence remains true if we restrict ourselves to S -valued points with S affine, i.e. there is a bijection*

$$\{\text{Morphisms } X \rightarrow Y\} \longleftrightarrow \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{families } X(S) \xrightarrow{f_S} Y(S) \text{ with } S \text{ affine such that} \\ f_S(x) \circ g = f_{S'}(x \circ g) \forall g : S' \rightarrow S, S, S' \text{ affine} \end{array} \right\}$$

Proof. Cover $X = \bigcup_{\alpha \in I} U_\alpha$, where U_α are open affines with inclusions j_α into X , so $j_\alpha \in X(U_\alpha)$. Then given $(f_S)_{S \in (\mathbf{Aff}/k)}$, get $f_{U_\alpha}(j_\alpha) \in Y(U_\alpha) = \text{Mor}_k(U_\alpha, Y)$. If $V \subseteq U_\alpha \cap U_\beta$ is any open affine, then $f_{U_\alpha}(j_\alpha)$ and $f_{U_\beta}(j_\beta)$ restrict to the same element of $Y(V)$. So they glue to give a morphism $f : X \rightarrow Y$. \square

Proposition 5.3. *Let G be a group scheme. Then*

- (i) *For all $S \in (\mathbf{Sch}/k)$, $G(S)$ is a group where the group law is given by m_S .*
- (ii) *For all $S' \xrightarrow{f} S$, $G(S) \xrightarrow{-\circ f} G(S')$ is a homomorphism.*

Proof. Suppose $S' = \text{Spec } R' \xrightarrow{f} \text{Spec } R = S$ are affine. For (ii) we have to check that

$$\begin{array}{ccccc} (G \times G)(S) & \xlongequal{\quad} & G(S) \times G(S) & \xrightarrow{m_S} & G(S) \\ \downarrow & & \downarrow & & \downarrow \\ (G \times G)(S') & \xlongequal{\quad} & G(S') \times G(S') & \xrightarrow{m_{S'}} & G(S') \end{array}$$

commutes. This is clear. Hence (ii) holds for S, S' affine.

For (i) let $(U_i)_{i \in I}$ be an affine cover of S . Write $U_i \cap U_j = \bigcup_k U_{ij}^k$ with affine U_{ij}^k . Then for all X ,

$$X(S) = \{(x_i) \in \prod_i X(U_i) \mid \forall i, j, k : x_i|_{U_{ij}^k} = x_j|_{U_{ij}^k}\}. \quad (*)$$

Apply this to G and $G \times G$. We check:

- $m_S : G(S) \times G(S)$ is associative: Since $G(S) \hookrightarrow \prod_i G(U_i)$ preserves the multiplication m and $\prod_i G(U_i)$ is a group, multiplication on $G(S)$ is associative. This argument also shows that (ii) holds for any schemes S, S' .
- The two maps $G(S) \times G(S) \rightarrow G(S) \times G(S)$, $(x, y) \mapsto (xy, y), (yx, y)$ are bijections. Apply (*): The claim follows from the fact that $G(U_i)$ and $G(U_{ij}^k)$ are groups.

\square

Corollary 5.4. *There exist $e \in G(k)$, $i : G \rightarrow G$ such that for all S , $e \mapsto$ (identity of $G(S)$), and $i_S : G(S) \rightarrow G(S)$ is the inverse map.*

Proof. Let e be the identity of $G(k)$, by (ii) it is the identity of $G(S)$ for all S . Define $i \in G(G)$ to be the inverse (for the group law) of $\text{id}_G : G \rightarrow G$. \square

Example. Let Γ be any (abstract) group. The constant group scheme is $G = \prod_{\gamma \in \Gamma} \text{Spec } k$. G is affine iff Γ is finite.

Remark. Alternative way to define a group scheme: It is a triple $(G, m : G \times G \rightarrow G, e \in G(k), i : G \rightarrow G)$ satisfying certain axioms. For example, associativity is expressed by the commutativity of the following diagram:

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 (G \times G) \times G & \xrightarrow{m \times \text{id}_G} & G \times G \\
 \downarrow \simeq & & \searrow m \\
 G \times (G \times G) & \xrightarrow{\text{id}_G \times m} & G \times G \\
 & & \nearrow m \\
 & & G
 \end{array}$$

The other properties (commutativity, identity, inverses) are similar. I.e. G is a group object in \mathbf{Sch}/k .

Definition. A homomorphism of group schemes is a morphism $G \xrightarrow{f} G'$ such that for all k -algebras R (equivalently for all $S \in \mathbf{Sch}/k$), $G(R) \rightarrow G'(R)$ (or $G(S) \rightarrow G'(S)$) is a homomorphism.

Exercise. $f : G \rightarrow G'$ is a homomorphism iff the diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 G \times G & \xrightarrow{f \times f} & G' \times G' \\
 \downarrow m & & \downarrow m' \\
 G & \xrightarrow{f} & G'
 \end{array}$$

commutes.

Definition. A closed subgroup scheme of G is a closed subscheme $H \subseteq G$ such that for all R (or equivalently for all S), $H(R) \subseteq G(R)$ (or $H(S) \subseteq G(S)$) is a subgroup.

If so, H is a group scheme, and the inclusion $i : H \hookrightarrow G$ is a homomorphism:

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 (H \times H)(S) & \hookrightarrow & (G \times G)(S) \\
 \vdots \downarrow & & \downarrow m' \\
 H(S) & \hookrightarrow & G(S)
 \end{array}$$

The dotted arrow exists as $H(S)$ is a subgroup. And the image of $\text{id}_{H \times H} \in (H \times H)(H \times H)$ in $H(H \times H)$ is the desired morphism $H \times H \rightarrow H$.

Examples.

- (i) $\text{Spec } k \xrightarrow{e} G$ is a closed subgroup scheme.
- (ii) Kernels: Let $f : G \rightarrow G'$ be a homomorphism. Define $\ker f$ to be the fibre of f at $e' \in G'(k)$, i.e. there is a pullback square:

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 \ker f & \longrightarrow & G \\
 \downarrow & & \downarrow f \\
 \text{Spec } k & \xrightarrow{e'} & G'
 \end{array}$$

Since e' is a closed immersion, $\ker(f)$ is a closed subscheme of G and $\ker(f)(S) = \ker(f_S : G(S) \rightarrow G'(S))$.

- (iii) Let $G = \mathrm{GL}_n$, $G' = \mathbb{G}_m$. For all R , have $\det_R : \mathrm{GL}_n(R) \rightarrow R^* = \mathbb{G}_m(R)$. So by Yoneda, get a homomorphism $\det : \mathrm{GL}_n \rightarrow \mathbb{G}_m$. Its kernel is $\ker \det =: \mathrm{SL}_n$ which is the closed subscheme given by $\det(x_{ij}) = 1$ of $\mathrm{GL}_n = \mathrm{Spec} k[(x_{ij}), (\det(x_{ij}))^{-1}]$.

Remark. Quotients are more subtle.

Let G be a group scheme, $x \in G(k)$. The (left) translation by x is the unique morphism $T_x : G \rightarrow G$ such that for all $y \in G(S)$, $T_x(y) = xy$, i.e. T_x is the composite $G = \mathrm{Spec} k \times G \xrightarrow{x \times \mathrm{id}_G} G \times G \xrightarrow{m} G$. Then $T_e = \mathrm{id}_G$ and $T_{xy} = T_x \circ T_y$.

Let X be a variety. Since we assume X to be geometrically integral, k is algebraically closed in $k(X)^1$, the function field of X . We say X is *complete*, if X is proper over k .

Definition. A group variety (or [connected] algebraic group) is a group scheme which is a variety. An abelian variety is a complete group variety.

Examples. $\mathbb{G}_m, \mathbb{G}_a, \mathrm{GL}_n$ are affine group varieties.

The simplest nontrivial example of an abelian variety is an elliptic curve E/k , e.g. given as a nonsingular cubic $E \subseteq \mathbb{P}_k^2$ with a given point $e \in E(k)$.

Completeness has strong implications (e.g. commutativity).

Theorem 5.5 (Mumford's Rigidity Lemma). *Let X, Y, Z be varieties with X complete, $y_0 \in Y$, $f : X \times Y \rightarrow Z$ a morphism. If $f(X \times \{y_0\})$ is a single point, then there exists $g : Y \rightarrow Z$ such that f factors as $f = g \circ \mathrm{pr}_2$. In particular, for all $y \in Y$, $f(X \times \{y\})$ is a single point.*

Remarks. Here $X \times \{y_0\}$ means $X \times \mathrm{Spec} k(y_0) \hookrightarrow X \times Y$, fibre of $\mathrm{pr}_2 : X \times Y \rightarrow Y$ at $y_0 \in Y$. In general, it is not the set-theoretic product of X with $\{y_0\}$. It is if $y_0 \in Y(k)$.

$\mathbb{A}^1 \times \mathbb{A}^1 \rightarrow \mathbb{A}^1, (x, y) \mapsto xy$, so $f(\mathbb{A}^1 \times \{0\}) = \{0\}$, but $f|_{\mathbb{A}^1 \times \{1\}}$ is an isomorphism. So completeness of X is essential!

Corollary 5.6. *Let X be an abelian variety, G a group variety, $f : X \rightarrow G$ a morphism of schemes. Then if $g = f(e)$, $T_{g^{-1}} \circ f$ is a homomorphism.*

So taking $G = X$, we see that any isomorphism of schemes $X \xrightarrow{\cong} X$ which takes e to e is an isomorphism of group schemes.

Proof. It suffices to prove that if $f(e) = e$, then f is a homomorphism. Consider $p : X \times X \rightarrow G$ such that for all $x, y \in X(S)$, $p(x, y) = f(x)f(y)f(xy)^{-1}$. Then $p(X \times \{e\}) = p(\{e\} \times X) = \{e\}$. So by rigidity, p factors through $(x, y) \mapsto y$ and also through $(x, y) \mapsto x$, so $p(x, y) = p(x, e) = p(e, e) = e$ for all x, y , so f is a homomorphism. \square

¹Proof sketch: Let $\mathrm{Spec} A \subseteq X$ be an affine open. If $k \subseteq k' \subseteq A$ is a finite extension, then $k' \otimes_k k^{\mathrm{alg}} \subseteq A \otimes_k k^{\mathrm{alg}}$ is not an integral domain, unless $k' = k$.

Corollary 5.7. *Abelian varieties are commutative.*

Proof. Apply the previous corollary to $i : X \rightarrow X$. Since $i(e) = e$, i is a homomorphism. But a group is commutative iff $i : g \mapsto g^{-1}$ is a homomorphism. So $X(S)$ is commutative for all S . \square

In general, we will state things for arbitrary k , but often give a proof only for k algebraically closed.

Proof of Theorem 5.5. Suppose first $k = k^{\text{alg}}$ is algebraically closed, and let $x_0 \in X(k)$. Define $g : Y \rightarrow Z$ by $g(y) = f(x_0, y)$, i.e.

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \text{Spec } k \times Y & \xrightarrow{x_0 \times \text{id}_Y} & X \times Y & \xrightarrow{f} & Z \\ & & & \nearrow g & \\ Y & & & & \end{array}$$

commutes. We need to show that $g \circ \text{pr}_2 = f$. As everything is a variety, so separated, it is enough to show this for a dense open subset of $X \times Y$.

Let z_0 be the point in $f(X \times \{y_0\})$ and $W \subseteq Z$ be an open affine neighborhood of it. Set $S = Z - W$, it is a closed subset. Then $f^{-1}(S) \subseteq X \times Y$ is closed, so $\text{pr}_2(f^{-1}(S)) \subseteq Y$ is closed since $X \rightarrow \text{Spec } k$ is proper. Then $V := Y \setminus \text{pr}_2(f^{-1}(S)) \subseteq Y$ is open, and $f(X \times V) \subseteq W$. So for all $y \in V(k)$, $f : X \times \{y\} \rightarrow W$. As X is complete and W is affine, $f|_{X \times \{y\}}$ is constant, its image is $\{f(x_0, y)\} = \{g(y)\}$. So for all $y \in V(k)$, $f|_{X \times \{y\}} = g \circ \text{pr}_2|_{X \times \{y\}}$, hence $f|_{X \times V} = g \circ \text{pr}_2|_{X \times V}$. Also V is non-empty, as $z_0 \notin S$, so $X \times \{y_0\} \cap f^{-1}(S) = \emptyset$, so $y_0 \notin \text{pr}_2(f^{-1}(S))$, so $y_0 \in V$, hence $V \neq \emptyset$.

Now suppose k is arbitrary, i.e. not necessarily algebraically closed. f factors through pr_2 iff for affine opens $U \subseteq X$, $V \subseteq Y$, $f(U \times V) \subseteq W \subseteq Z$ the map $\mathcal{O}_Z(W) \rightarrow \mathcal{O}_{X \times Y}(U \times V) = \mathcal{O}_X(U) \otimes_k \mathcal{O}_Y(V)$ factors through $k \otimes_k \mathcal{O}_Y(V)$. We can check this after replacing k with k^{alg} , since $k \otimes_k \mathcal{O}_Y(V) = \mathcal{O}_X(U) \otimes_k \mathcal{O}_Y(V) \cap k^{\text{alg}} \otimes_k \mathcal{O}_Y(V)$. \square

6 Seesaw and Cube

Let $f : X \rightarrow Y$ be a morphism, \mathcal{L} an invertible sheaf on X (or coherent sheaf). Then for all $y \in Y$, let X_y be the fibre over y and $\mathcal{L}_y = i_y^* \mathcal{L}$ where $i_y : X_y \hookrightarrow X$ is the inclusion.

Common questions:

- (1) How does $H^0(X_y, \mathcal{L}_y)$ vary with y ? (or more generally H^i)
- (2) What conditions ensure that there exists \mathcal{M} on Y with $\mathcal{L} \cong f^* \mathcal{M}$?
(e.g. if $\mathcal{L} \cong f^* \mathcal{M}$, then all $\mathcal{L}_y \cong \mathcal{O}_{X_y}$ are trivial. Converse?)

Examples.

- (1) Let C be a complete nonsingular curve over k , D a divisor on C . Then $H^0(C, \mathcal{O}_C(D)) = L(D)$ and Riemann-Roch gives an estimate for this. How does this vary as you vary D ? (We will use this later in construction of the Jacobian of C)
- (2) Let Y be a quadric cone in \mathbb{A}^3 , say $Y = \text{Spec } k[u, v, w]/(uv - w^2)$ and $\text{char } k \neq 2$. Let $X = Y \setminus \{0\} \xrightarrow{f} Y$. Let L be the line $v = w = 0$ through 0. Let $\mathcal{L} = \mathcal{O}_X(L \cap X)$. Obviously, as fibres of f are points (or empty), all \mathcal{L}_y are trivial. But there does not exist an invertible module \mathcal{M} on Y such that $f^* \mathcal{M} \cong \mathcal{L}$ (because $L \subseteq Y$ is not a Cartier divisor, not locally principal).

Theorem 6.1 (“Seesaw Theorem”). *Let X, Y be varieties, X complete, \mathcal{L} an invertible $\mathcal{O}_{X \times Y}$ -module. Then:*

- (i) $F = \{y \in Y \mid \mathcal{L}|_{X \times \{y\}} \text{ is trivial}\}$ is closed in Y .
- (ii) If $F = Y$, then there exists a invertible sheaf \mathcal{M} on Y such that $\mathcal{L} \simeq \text{pr}_2^* \mathcal{M}$.

The proof uses:

Theorem 6.2. *Let X be complete, $S = \text{Spec } A$, A any noetherian k -algebra, \mathcal{L} invertible sheaf on $X \times S$. Then:*

- (i) $H^0(X \times S, \mathcal{L})$ is a finite (= finitely generated) A -module.
- (ii) There exists a morphism $\alpha : K^0 \rightarrow K^1$ of finite free A -modules such for all A -algebras B , there are isomorphisms

$$H^0(X \times \text{Spec } B, \mathcal{L}_B) \simeq \ker(\alpha_B = \alpha \otimes_A \text{id}_B : K^0 \otimes_A B \rightarrow K^1 \otimes_A B),$$

functorial for $B \rightarrow B'$. Here \mathcal{L}_B is the pullback of \mathcal{L} along $X \times \text{Spec } B \rightarrow X \times \text{Spec } A$.

See [Mum70, Chapter 2 §5], or [Har77, Chapter III §12], but still check out Mumford’s Corollary 2. The theorem holds for all H^i (with a complex $K^0 \rightarrow K^1 \rightarrow \dots$ of finite free A -modules), and in fact we need this to prove the $i = 0$ case.

Corollary 6.3. *Same hypotheses as in the previous theorem. There exists a finite A -module M such that for all A -algebras B ,*

$$H^0(X \times \text{Spec } B, \mathcal{L}_B) \cong \text{Hom}_A(M, B) = \text{Hom}_B(M \otimes_A B, B).$$

Proof. Let $M = \text{coker}(\alpha^t)$, so

$$(K^1)^\vee \xrightarrow{\alpha^t} (K^0)^\vee \rightarrow M \rightarrow 0$$

is exact where $(K^i)^\vee = \text{Hom}_A(K^i, A)$. The K^i are finite free, so $\text{Hom}_A((K^i)^\vee, B) = K^i \otimes_A B$. Then $0 \rightarrow \text{Hom}_A(M, B) \rightarrow K^0 \otimes_A B \xrightarrow{\alpha^t} K^1 \otimes_A B$. \square

Corollary 6.4. *Under the same hypotheses, for every $d \geq 0$,*

$$Z_d = \{s \in S \mid \dim_{k(s)} H^0(X \times \text{Spec } k(s), \mathcal{L}_s) \geq d\} \subseteq S$$

is a closed subset.

This is the Semicontinuity theorem for H^0 , it is true for all H^i .]

Proof. Let $K^0 \simeq A^m, K^1 \simeq A^n$, so α^t is represented by an $(m \times n)$ -matrix C . Then

$$\begin{aligned} Z_d &= \{s \in S \mid \text{rank}(\alpha^t \otimes \text{id}_{k(s)}) \leq m - d\} \\ &= \{s \in S \mid \text{all } (m - d + 1) \text{ minors of } C \text{ vanish in } k(s)\} \end{aligned}$$

which is closed. \square

Lemma 6.5. *Let V be a complete K -variety, \mathcal{L} an invertible \mathcal{O}_V -module. Then $\mathcal{L} \simeq \mathcal{O}_V$ iff both $H^0(V, \mathcal{L})$ and $H^0(V, \mathcal{L}^\vee)$ are non-zero.*

Proof. Exercise: Use $\text{Hom}_{\mathcal{O}_V}(\mathcal{L}, \mathcal{L}) = \text{Hom}_{\mathcal{O}_V}(\mathcal{O}_V, \mathcal{O}_V) = K$ as V is a complete variety and $\text{Hom}(\mathcal{O}_V, \mathcal{L}) = H^0(\mathcal{L})$. \square

Proof of the Seesaw theorem.

(i) We may assume that $Y = \text{Spec } A$ is affine. We have

$$\begin{aligned} F &= \{y \in Y \mid \mathcal{L}|_{X \times \{y\}} \text{ is trivial}\} \\ &= \{y \in Y \mid H^0(X \times \{y\}, \mathcal{L}_y) \neq 0 \neq H^0(X \times \{y\}, \mathcal{L}_y^\vee)\}. \end{aligned}$$

This is closed by the above corollary.

Also, if $y \in F$, then $\dim_{k(y)} M \otimes k(y) = \dim_{k(y)} H^0(\mathcal{L}_y) = 1$. So as M is a finite A -module, for any generator $m \otimes 1$ of $M \otimes k(y)$, m generates M in a neighborhood of y by Nakayama's Lemma. So M is cyclic in a neighborhood of y .

(ii) Suppose $F = Y$. We want to show that $\mathcal{L} \cong \text{pr}_2^* \mathcal{M}$ for some \mathcal{M} on Y . We will show that if $\mathcal{M} = \text{pr}_{2*} \mathcal{L}$, then \mathcal{M} is an invertible \mathcal{O}_Y -module and the adjunction map $\text{pr}_2^* \mathcal{M} \rightarrow \mathcal{L}$ is an isomorphism. This statement is local on Y . So it is enough to show that for all $y \in Y$, there exists an open affine $U \ni y$ such that $\mathcal{L}|_{X \times U}$ is trivial. So we can assume $Y = \text{Spec } A$ is affine. By the above, for all $y \in Y$ (with M as before) $\dim_{k(y)} M \otimes_A k(y) = 1$ since $\mathcal{L}_y \cong \mathcal{O}$. Then by Nakayama again, M is locally free of rank 1. Replacing Y by an affine neighborhood of y , may assume $M = mA$ is free, then $\text{Hom}_{\mathcal{O}_{X \times Y}}(\mathcal{O}_{X \times Y}, \mathcal{L}) = H^0(X \times Y, \mathcal{L}) = \text{Hom}_A(M, A) = m^\vee A$. So m^\vee gives a map $\mathcal{O}_{X \times Y} \rightarrow \mathcal{L}$ whose restriction to each $X \times \{y\}$ is the isomorphism $\mathcal{O}_{X \times \{y\}} \xrightarrow{m \otimes \text{id}} \mathcal{L}_y$, similarly for \mathcal{L}^\vee . Then $m^\vee : \mathcal{O}_{X \times Y} \rightarrow \mathcal{L}$ is an isomorphism. \square

Remark. Proof gives something a bit stronger than (i): There exists a maximal closed subscheme $Z \subseteq Y$ such that $\mathcal{L}|_{X \times Z} \simeq \text{pr}_2^* \mathcal{M}$ for some \mathcal{M} on Z . If Y is affine, and M is cyclic, then $Z = \text{Spec } A/I$ where $I = \text{Ann}_A M$.

Particular case of Seesaw: Suppose \mathcal{L} is an invertible sheaf on $X \times Y$, $\mathcal{L}|_{X \times \{y\}}$ is trivial for all $y \in Y$, and there exists $x_0 \in X(k)$ such that $\mathcal{L}|_{\{x_0\} \times Y}$ is trivial. Then $\mathcal{L} \cong \text{pr}_2^* \mathcal{M}$, so $\mathcal{O}_Y \simeq (\text{pr}_2^* \mathcal{M})|_{\{x_0\} \times Y} = \mathcal{M}$, i.e. \mathcal{L} is trivial.

One can easily find non-trivial \mathcal{L} on $X \times Y$ (e.g. $X = Y =$ elliptic curve) such that for some $x_0 \in X(k), y_0 \in Y(k)$, $\mathcal{L}|_{\{x_0\} \times Y}$ and $\mathcal{L}|_{X \times \{y_0\}}$ are trivial.

For a product of three varieties, we however have:

Theorem 6.6 (Theorem of the cube). *Let X, Y, Z be varieties, X, Y complete. Let x, y, z be k -points of X, Y, Z , \mathcal{L} an invertible sheaf on $X \times Y \times Z$. Suppose the restriction of \mathcal{L} to each of $\{x\} \times Y \times Z, X \times \{y\} \times Z, X \times Y \times \{z\}$ is trivial. Then \mathcal{L} is trivial.*

Corollary 6.7. *Let X be an abelian variety, \mathcal{L} an invertible \mathcal{O}_X -module. For any variety Y and $f, g, h : Y \rightarrow X$:*

$$(f + g + h)^* \mathcal{L} \cong (f + g)^* \mathcal{L} \otimes (f + h)^* \mathcal{L} \otimes (g + h)^* \mathcal{L} \otimes f^* \mathcal{L}^\vee \otimes g^* \mathcal{L}^\vee \otimes h^* \mathcal{L}^\vee.$$

Here $f + g : Y \rightarrow X$ is the composite $Y \xrightarrow{(f, g)} X \times X \xrightarrow{m} X$, etc.

Proof. Let $\text{pr}_i^3 : X \times X \times X \rightarrow X$, $i = 1, 2, 3$, and $\text{pr}_i^2 : X \times X \rightarrow X$, $i = 1, 2$, be the projections.

First consider the case $Y = X \times X \times X$, $(f, g, h) = (\text{pr}_i^3)_{i=1,2,3}$. Let $q : X \times X \rightarrow X \times X \times X$, $(x, y) \mapsto (x, y, e)$. Then

$$\begin{aligned} (\text{pr}_1^3 + \text{pr}_2^3 + \text{pr}_3^3) \circ q &= (\text{pr}_1^2 + \text{pr}_2^2) \circ q = m : (x, y) \mapsto x + y, \\ (\text{pr}_1^3 + \text{pr}_3^3) \circ q &= \text{pr}_1^3 \circ q = \text{pr}_1^2, \\ (\text{pr}_2^3 + \text{pr}_3^3) \circ q &= \text{pr}_2^3 \circ q = \text{pr}_2^2, \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{pr}_3^3 \circ q = e.$$

So if $\mathcal{M} = (\text{LHS}) \otimes (\text{RHS})^\vee = (\text{pr}_1^3 + \text{pr}_2^3 + \text{pr}_3^3)^* \mathcal{L} \otimes (\text{pr}_1^3 + \text{pr}_2^3)^* \mathcal{L}^\vee \otimes \dots$, then

$$\mathcal{M}|_{X \times X \times \{e\}} = q^* \mathcal{M} = m^* \mathcal{L} \otimes m^* \mathcal{L}^\vee \otimes \text{pr}_1^{2*} \mathcal{L}^\vee \otimes \text{pr}_2^{2*} \mathcal{L}^\vee \otimes \text{pr}_1^{2*} \mathcal{L} \otimes \text{pr}_2^{2*} \mathcal{L} \otimes \mathcal{O}_{X \times X} \cong \mathcal{O}_{X \times X}$$

same for $X \times \{e\} \times X$ and $\{e\} \times X \times X$. Then \mathcal{L} is trivial by the theorem of the cube.

In the general case consider $Y \xrightarrow{(f,g,h)} X \times X \times X \xrightarrow{\text{pr}_1, \text{pr}_2, \text{pr}_3} X$. Then $\mathcal{M}_{f,g,h} = (f, g, h)^* \mathcal{M}_{\text{pr}_1, \text{pr}_2, \text{pr}_3}$, so it is trivial. \square

Corollary 6.8 (Theorem of the Square). *Let X be an abelian variety, \mathcal{L} an invertible \mathcal{O}_X -module. Then for all $x, y \in X(k)$, $T_{x+y}^* \mathcal{L} = T_x^* \mathcal{L} \otimes T_y^* \mathcal{L} \otimes \mathcal{L}^\vee$*

Proof. Take f to be the constant morphism x , i.e. the composite $X \rightarrow \text{Spec } k \xrightarrow{x} X$, g the constant morphism y and $h = \text{id}_X$. Then $f + h = T_x$, $g + h = T_y$, $f + g + h = T_{x+y}$, and $f + g$ is the constant morphism $x + y$. So $\mathcal{M}_{f,g,h} = T_{x+y}^* \mathcal{L} \otimes T_x^* \mathcal{L}^\vee \otimes T_y^* \mathcal{L}^\vee \otimes \mathcal{L} \otimes \mathcal{O}_X \simeq \mathcal{O}_X$, hence the claim. \square

Corollary 6.9. *Let X be an abelian variety, \mathcal{L} an invertible sheaf on X , $n \in \mathbb{Z}$, $[n] : X \rightarrow X$ multiplication by n . Then $[n]^* \mathcal{L} \simeq \mathcal{L}^{\otimes n(n+1)/2} \otimes (i^* \mathcal{L})^{\otimes n(n-1)/2}$ where $i : X \rightarrow X$, $x \mapsto -x$.*

Proof. $n = 0$ or 1 is trivial. Induction on $n \geq 2$. Take $f = [n-1]$, $g = \text{id}_X = [1]$, $h = [-1] = i$. Then $\mathcal{M}_{f,g,h} \simeq \mathcal{O}_X$ tells us that

$$[n-1]^* \mathcal{L} \simeq [n]^* \mathcal{L} \otimes [n-2]^* \mathcal{L} \otimes [0]^* \mathcal{L} \otimes [n-1]^* \mathcal{L}^\vee \otimes \mathcal{L}^\vee \otimes i^* \mathcal{L}^\vee,$$

i.e.

$$\begin{aligned} [n]^* \mathcal{L} &\simeq [n-1]^* \mathcal{L}^{\otimes 2} \otimes [n-2]^* \mathcal{L}^\vee \otimes \mathcal{L} \otimes i^* \mathcal{L} \\ &\simeq \mathcal{L}^{\otimes [n(n-1) - \frac{1}{2}(n-1)(n-2) + 1]} \otimes (i^* \mathcal{L})^{\otimes [(n-1)(n-2) - \frac{1}{2}(n-2)(n-3) + 1]} \\ &\simeq \mathcal{L}^{\otimes \frac{1}{2}n(n+1)} \otimes (i^* \mathcal{L})^{\otimes \frac{1}{2}n(n-1)} \end{aligned}$$

The result then follows for $n \geq 0$.

For $n < 0$ note that $[-n]^* \mathcal{L} = i^* [n]^* \mathcal{L}$, it follows from the $n > 0$ case. \square

7 Pic of an Abelian Variety and Projectivity

Proposition 7.1. *Let G/k be any group variety. Then G is non-singular.*

Proof. Assume $k = k^{\text{alg}}$. The set of nonsingular closed points is dense (as G is a variety). Take $y \in G(k)$ to be nonsingular. Then for every $x \in G(k)$, $T_{xy^{-1}} : G \rightarrow G$ is an automorphism taking y to x , hence also x is nonsingular. \square

Definition. *Let X an abelian variety over k , \mathcal{L} an invertible \mathcal{O}_X -module.*

(i) Define $\varphi_{\mathcal{L}} : X(k^{\text{alg}}) \rightarrow \text{Pic}(X_{k^{\text{alg}}})$ by

$$\varphi_{\mathcal{L}}(x) = T_x^* \mathcal{L} \otimes \mathcal{L}^{\vee} \in \text{Pic}(X_{k^{\text{alg}}})$$

for $x \in X(k)$. By the theorem of the square, $\varphi_{\mathcal{L}} : X(k^{\text{alg}}) \rightarrow \text{Pic}(X_{k^{\text{alg}}})$ is a homomorphism of groups.

(ii) $K(\mathcal{L}) := \ker \varphi_{\mathcal{L}} \subseteq X(k^{\text{alg}})$ is a subgroup. $\text{Pic}^0(X) := \{\mathcal{L} \in \text{Pic}(X) \mid \varphi_{\mathcal{L}} = 0\}$. Let $\text{NS}(X) = \text{Pic}(X)/\text{Pic}^0(X)$.

Remark. By definition, $x \in K(\mathcal{L})$ iff $T_x^* \mathcal{L} \otimes \mathcal{L}^{\vee}$ is trivial. By Seesaw part (i), this implies that $K(\mathcal{L})$ is the set of k^{alg} -points of a closed subscheme of X .

Proposition 7.2. *Let $\mathcal{M}(\mathcal{L}) = m^* \mathcal{L} \otimes \text{pr}_1^* \mathcal{L}^{\vee} \otimes \text{pr}_2^* \mathcal{L}^{\vee}$ on $X \times X$ (“Mumford line bundle”). Then $\mathcal{L} \in \text{Pic}^0(X)$ iff $\mathcal{M}(\mathcal{L}) \simeq \mathcal{O}_{X \times X}$.*

Proof. Assume $k = k^{\text{alg}}$. Let $x \in X(k)$. Then since

$$\begin{aligned} m \circ (\text{id}_X, x) &= T_x, \\ \text{pr}_1 \circ (\text{id}_X, x) &= \text{id}_X, \\ \text{pr}_2 \circ (\text{id}_X, x) &= \text{constant } x : X \rightarrow X, \end{aligned}$$

we have $\mathcal{M}|_{X \times \{x\}} \simeq T_x^* \mathcal{L} \otimes \mathcal{L}^{\vee}$ and similarly $\mathcal{M}|_{\{e\} \times X} \simeq \mathcal{O}_X$. So by Seesaw (ii), $\mathcal{M}(\mathcal{L}) \simeq \mathcal{O}_{X \times X}$ iff for all x , $T_x^* \mathcal{L} \otimes \mathcal{L}^{\vee} \simeq \mathcal{O}_X$ i.e. $\mathcal{L} \in \text{Pic}^0(X)$. \square

This is one of a number of different characterizations of Pic^0 .

Let D be an effective divisor on X , i.e. $D = \sum_i n_i D_i$, $D_i \subseteq X$ integral closed subscheme of codimension 1. Note that Weil divisors are the same as Cartier divisors as X is nonsingular. Define $H(D) = \{x \in X(k^{\text{alg}}) \mid T_x D = D\}$. As $\mathcal{O}_X(T_x D) = T_{-x}^* \mathcal{O}_X(D)^1$, $H(D) \subseteq K(\mathcal{O}_X(D))$ is a subgroup.

Remark. $H(D)$ is the set of k^{alg} -points of a closed subscheme of X , but for much more obvious reasons than for $K(\mathcal{L})$. Indeed, if $Y \subseteq X$ is closed, then $T_x Y = Y$ iff $\{x\} \times Y \subseteq m^{-1}(Y) \subseteq X \times X$ iff $x \in \bigcap_{y \in Y} \{x \in X \mid (x, y) \in m^{-1}(Y)\} = \bigcap_{y \in Y} \text{pr}_1(X \times \{y\} \cap m^{-1}(Y))$ which is closed since pr_1 is proper.

¹Suppose $\text{div}(f) = D$ locally, then as $(T_x^* f)(y) = f(x + y)$, we have $\text{div}(T_x^* f) = D - x = T_{-x} D$

Theorem 7.3. *Let $\mathcal{L} = \mathcal{O}_X(D)$, D an effective divisor. TFAE:*

- (i) \mathcal{L} is ample, i.e. $H^0(X, \mathcal{L}^{\otimes m})$ for sufficiently large m gives an embedding $X \hookrightarrow \mathbb{P}_k^N$.
- (ii) $K(\mathcal{L})$ is finite.
- (iii) $H(D)$ is finite.

Proof. “(ii) \Rightarrow (iii)” is obvious. Assume $k = k^{\text{alg}}$. “(i) \Rightarrow (ii)” Assume \mathcal{L} is ample, but $K(\mathcal{L})$ is infinite. By a previous remark, $K(\mathcal{L})$ is the set of k -points of some reduced closed subscheme, necessarily a group scheme. Looking at the irreducible component containing e we get that $K(\mathcal{L})$ contains an abelian subvariety Y of positive dimension. The restriction of \mathcal{L} to Y is ample. So replacing X by Y we may assume $K(\mathcal{L}) = X(k)$, i.e. $\varphi_{\mathcal{L}} = 0$ and $\dim X > 0$. Then for all $x \in X(k)$, $T_x^* \mathcal{L} \simeq \mathcal{L}$, so $m^* \mathcal{L} \simeq \text{pr}_1^* \mathcal{L} \otimes \text{pr}_2^* \mathcal{L}$ on $X \times X$ by Proposition 7.2 as $\mathcal{L} \in \text{Pic}^0(X)$. Pullback via $d: X \rightarrow X \times X$, $d(x) = (x, -x)$. Then $m \circ d$ is the constant morphism e , $\text{pr}_1 \circ d = \text{id}_X$ and $\text{pr}_2 \circ d = i = [-1]$. So $\mathcal{O}_X \simeq \mathcal{L} \otimes i^* \mathcal{L}$. \mathcal{L} is ample, so $i^* \mathcal{L}$ is ample as i is an automorphism, hence \mathcal{O}_X is ample which is not possible as $\dim X > 0$.

“(iii) \Rightarrow (i)” Consider $\mathcal{O}_X(2D) = \mathcal{L}^{\otimes 2} \simeq T_x^* \mathcal{L} \otimes T_{-x}^* \mathcal{L} = \mathcal{O}_X(T_x D + T_{-x} D)$ (Theorem of the Square), i.e. for all $x \in X(k)$, there exists $s_x \in H^0(X, \mathcal{O}_X(2D))$ with $\text{div}(s_x) = T_x D + T_{-x} D - 2D$. If $y \in X(k)$, then $y \in T_x D \cup T_{-x} D$ iff one of $y \pm x$ is in D . So given y , there exists x such that $y \notin T_x D \cup T_{-x} D = \{\text{zero set of } s_x\}$. So the map $X \xrightarrow{f} \mathbb{P}^N$, where $N = \dim H^0(X, \mathcal{O}(2D)) - 1$, given by sections of $\mathcal{O}_X(2D)$ is a morphism, i.e. defined everywhere. Claim: The fibres of f are finite. If so, then $\mathcal{O}_X(2D) = f^* \mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}^n}(1)$ is ample, hence so is \mathcal{L} , because of the following general fact: If $f: X \rightarrow Y$ is a morphism of complete varieties with finite fibres, and \mathcal{M} on Y is ample, then $f^* \mathcal{M}$ is ample on X [Har77, Chapter III, Exercise 5.7].

If some fibre of f is infinite, then it contains a curve C . Let $y \in C(k)$. Then by above there exists $x \in X(k)$ such that $y \notin \text{zero set of } s_x = T_x D \cup T_{-x} D$. Then as $f(C)$ consists of only a single point, for this x , $C \cap (T_x D \cup T_{-x} D) = \emptyset$.

Lemma 7.4. *($k = k^{\text{alg}}$). Let $C \subseteq X$ be any curve, $Y \subseteq X$ an irreducible divisor with $C \cap Y = \emptyset$. Then for all $y_1, y_2 \in C$, $T_{y_1 - y_2} Y = Y$.*

Assume the lemma, and apply it to each irreducible component Y of $T_x D$. So for all $y_1, y_2 \in C(k)$, $T_{y_1 - y_2}$ maps $T_x D$ to itself, so it maps D to itself. Since $C(k)$ is infinite, $H(D)$ is infinite. \square

Proof of the lemma. Let $U = \{x \in X(k) \mid T_x Y \not\supseteq C, \text{ i.e. } T_x Y \cap Y \text{ is finite}\}$. We know $Y \cap C = \emptyset$. Then for all $x \in U$, $T_{-x} Y \cap C = \emptyset = Y \cap T_x C$ (because the “degree of divisor on a curve is constant in a family”, see next section). Let $y_1, y_2 \in C(k)$, $z \in Y(k)$. Then $z \in T_{z - y_2} C \cap Y \neq \emptyset$, so $Y \supseteq T_{z - y_2} C$, hence $z - y_2 + y_1 = T_{z - y_2}(y_1) \in Y$, i.e. $T_{y_1 - y_2} Y = Y$. \square

Corollary 7.5. *Abelian varieties are projective.*

Proof. Assume $k = k^{\text{alg}}$. We need to find an ample line bundle \mathcal{L} on X . Let $U \subseteq X$ be any nonempty open affine. Then $D = X \setminus U$ with the reduced subscheme structure is a reduced divisor (see Example Sheet 3, Exercise 6). Let $x \in H(D) = \{x \in X(k) \mid T_x D = D\}$. Assume $e \in U$. Then $T_x U = U$, so $x \in U(k)$, i.e. $H(D) \subseteq U(k)$. But U is affine, and $H(D)$ is the set of k -points of some closed subscheme of X , which is complete. So $H(D)$ is a complete subvariety of the affine scheme U , hence $H(D)$ is finite and thus $\mathcal{O}(D)$ is ample by the theorem. \square

So in theory one could write down equation for abelian varieties embedded in \mathbb{P}^n , but this is complicated, unless perhaps we are in the case of elliptic curves. See e.g. [Mum66; Mum67a; Mum67b].

Corollary 7.6. *For all $n \geq 1$, $\ker([n] : X(k^{\text{alg}}) \rightarrow X(k^{\text{alg}}))$ is finite, and $[n] : X \rightarrow X$ is surjective. In particular, $X(k^{\text{alg}})$ is a divisible group.*

Proof. The first statement implies the second by dimension reasons since X is complete. Assume $k = k^{\text{alg}}$. Suppose $\ker[n]$ is infinite. Then $\ker[n] \supseteq V$ for some variety V of dimension > 0 . Let \mathcal{L} be any ample invertible sheaf on X (exists by the previous corollary). Then $[n]^*\mathcal{L}$ is trivial on the fibres of $[n]$, so in particular $[n]^*\mathcal{L}|_V$ is trivial. But $[n]^*\mathcal{L} = \mathcal{L}^{\otimes n(n+1)/2} \otimes i^*\mathcal{L}^{\otimes n(n-1)/2}$. As \mathcal{L} is ample, so is $i^*\mathcal{L}$, hence so is $[n]^*\mathcal{L}$. So $[n]^*\mathcal{L}|_V$ is ample, contradicting $\dim V > 0$. \square

Remark. One can show more precisely: If $\text{char } k \nmid n$, then $\ker[n] \simeq (\mathbb{Z}/n\mathbb{Z})^{2g}$, if $\text{char } k = p \mid n$, one always has $\#\ker[n] < n^{2g}$. Here $g = \dim X$.

Theorem 7.7. *There exists a dual abelian variety \widehat{X} to X , $\dim \widehat{X} = \dim X$, together with an isomorphism $\psi : \widehat{X}(k^{\text{alg}}) \xrightarrow{\sim} \text{Pic}^0(X_{k^{\text{alg}}})$. Moreover, for all ample \mathcal{L} on X , there exists a unique surjective homomorphism $X \xrightarrow{\lambda_{\mathcal{L}}} \widehat{X}$ such that the composition $X(k^{\text{alg}}) \xrightarrow{\lambda_{\mathcal{L}}} \widehat{X}(k^{\text{alg}}) \simeq \text{Pic}^0(X^{\text{alg}})$ is just $\varphi_{\mathcal{L}}$.*

In fact, \widehat{X} parameterizes families of invertible sheaves: There exists an invertible sheaf \mathcal{P} on $X \times \widehat{X}$, with the following property: Let S be any k -scheme. We let

$$\text{Pic}(X \times S)^0 = \{\mathcal{L} \in \text{Pic}(X \times S) \mid \forall s \in S, \mathcal{L}|_{X \times \{s\}} \in \text{Pic}^0(X \times \{s\})\}.$$

Then:

- (i) If $\mathcal{L} \in \text{Pic}(X \times S)^0$, then there exists a unique $f : S \rightarrow \widehat{X}$ such that

$$\mathcal{L} \simeq (\text{id}_X \times f)^*\mathcal{P} \otimes \text{pr}_2^*\mathcal{M},$$

for some $\mathcal{M} \in \text{Pic}(S)$.

- (ii) This gives a (functorial in S) bijection

$$\widehat{X}(S) \xrightarrow{\sim} \frac{\text{Pic}(X \times S)^0}{\text{pr}_2^* \text{Pic}(S)} \cong \{\mathcal{L} \in \text{Pic}(X \times S)^0 \mid \mathcal{L}|_{e \times S} \cong \mathcal{O}_S\}.$$

Note that if we take $S = \text{Spec } k^{\text{alg}}$, we recover $\widehat{X}(k^{\text{alg}}) \simeq \text{Pic}^0(X_{k^{\text{alg}}})$.

Idea of proof:

- (1) Show that if \mathcal{L} is ample, $\varphi_{\mathcal{L}} : X(k^{\text{alg}}) \rightarrow \text{Pic}^0(X_{k^{\text{alg}}})$. It is not difficult to show that $\text{im}(\varphi_{\mathcal{L}}) \subseteq \text{Pic}^0$, see Example Sheet 3, Question 2.
- (2) Define \widehat{X} to be the quotient of X by $\ker(\varphi_{\mathcal{L}})$.
 - If $\text{char } k = 0$, we just take the quotient of X by the finite group $K(\mathcal{L})$ of automorphisms of $X_{k^{\text{alg}}}$.
 - If $\text{char } k = p > 0$, have to work not with $K(\mathcal{L})$, but the largest closed subscheme $\underline{K}(\mathcal{L})$ such that $\mathcal{M}(\mathcal{L})|_{X \times \underline{K}(\mathcal{L})}$ is trivial, see [Mum70, Chapter III] for details.

Definition. A polarisation of an abelian variety X is an isogeny (i.e. a surjective homomorphism) $\lambda : X \rightarrow \widehat{X}$ such that for some ample $\mathcal{L} \in \text{Pic}(X_{k^{\text{alg}}})$, $\psi \circ \lambda = \varphi_{\mathcal{L}}$.

8 Jacobians of Curves

Throughout let X/k be a curve (i.e. nonsingular complete variety of dimension 1), $g = \dim H^0(X, \Omega_{X/k}) = \dim H^1(X, \mathcal{O}_X)$ the genus of X

$\text{div}(X)$ is the free abelian group on closed points of X . There is a degree homomorphism $\text{deg} : \text{div}(X) \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}$, $\sum n_i P_i \mapsto \sum n_i [k(P_i) : k]$. The divisor class group is $\text{Cl}(X) = \text{Div}(X)/\{\text{div}(f) \mid f \in k(X)^*\}$. And $\text{Cl}^0(X) = \ker(\text{deg} : \text{Cl}(X) \rightarrow \mathbb{Z})$.

Theorem 8.1. *There exists an abelian variety $J = J(X)$, the Jacobian of X , over k of dimension g with an isomorphism $J(k^{\text{alg}}) \simeq \text{Cl}^0(X_{k^{\text{alg}}})$.*

Recall: (see e.g. [Har77, Chapter IV §1]) To a divisor D we associate the sheaf $\mathcal{O}_X(D)$ with

$$\mathcal{O}_X(D)(U) = \{f \in k(X) \mid \text{div}(f) + D \geq 0 \text{ on } U\}$$

for open subsets $U \subseteq X$. Then $\mathcal{O}_X(D) \simeq \mathcal{O}_X(D')$ iff there exists a function f with $\text{div}(f) = D' - D$. This gives an isomorphism $\text{Cl}(X) \simeq \text{Pic}(X)$. Let $L(D) = \{f \in k(X) \mid \text{div}(f) + D \geq 0\} = H^0(X, \mathcal{O}_X(D))$ and $\ell(D) = \dim L(D)$. For $\mathcal{L} \in \text{Pic}(X)$, define $\text{deg } \mathcal{L} = \text{deg } D$ where D is a divisor with $\mathcal{L} \simeq \mathcal{O}_X(D)$. Then $\text{Pic}^0(X) := \{\mathcal{L} \in \text{Pic}(X) \mid \text{deg } \mathcal{L} = 0\}$.

The *canonical divisor class* K_X is such that $\mathcal{O}_X(K_X) \simeq \Omega_{X/k}^1$, it has degree $\text{deg } K_X = 2g - 2$.

Theorem (Riemann-Roch Theorem).

Divisor version: $\ell(D) - \ell(K_X - D) = 1 - g + \text{deg } D$.

Sheaf version:

- $h^0(\mathcal{L}) - h^1(\mathcal{L}) = 1 - g + \text{deg } \mathcal{L}$ for all $\mathcal{L} \in \text{Pic}(X)$. (*easy part*)
- (*Serre duality*) $H^1(X, \mathcal{L}) \simeq H^0(X, \Omega_{X/k} \otimes \mathcal{L}^\vee)^\vee$ (*not so easy*)

So in particular $h^1(\mathcal{O}_X(D)) = h^0(\mathcal{O}_X(K_X - D))$.

Proposition 8.2. *Let V be a quasiprojective variety over k , $G \subseteq \text{Aut}(V)$ a finite subgroup. Then there exists a unique variety $V' = V/G$ and a proper morphism with finite fibres $\varphi : V \rightarrow V'$ such that*

- (i) For all $\gamma \in G$, $\varphi \circ \gamma = \varphi$.
- (ii) φ induces a bijection $V(k^{\text{alg}})/G \xrightarrow{\cong} V'(k^{\text{alg}})$ and an isomorphism on function fields $k(V') \xrightarrow{\cong} k(V)^G$.
- (iii) (“categorical quotient”) For all $\psi : V \rightarrow W$, morphism of k -schemes such that

$\psi \circ \gamma = \psi$ for all $\gamma \in G$, there is a unique $\theta : V' \rightarrow W$ such that $\theta \circ \varphi = \psi$.

$$\begin{array}{ccc} V & \xrightarrow{\psi} & W \\ & \searrow \varphi & \nearrow \theta \\ & V/G = V' & \end{array}$$

Sketch of proof. (See e.g. [Mum70, Chapter III])

- (1) $V = \text{Spec } A$ is affine. Then $B = A^G$ is a k -algebra of finite type, and A is a finite B -module. Then $V' = \text{Spec } B$ satisfies the properties.
- (2) V arbitrary quasi-projective. Let $x \in V$ be a closed point. Then there exists an open affine $U \subseteq V$ containing the orbit xG (Take the complement of a hypersurface not containing any elements of the finite set xG , e.g. take union of of hyperplane over some k'/k missing xG and its conjugates).

So $\bigcap_{\gamma \in G} U\gamma$ is an open affine (since V is separated) containing xG , i.e. V can be covered by G -equivariant open affines. Then use (1) and glue. □

Remark. The first step in (2), every Gx is contained in an open affine, is the key hypothesis. There exists a proper V (3-fold in characteristic 0) and free $\mathbb{Z}/2$ -action such that V/G does not exist as a scheme. It is proper but not projective, V is Hironaka's famous counterexample, see [Har77].

Remark. Proper + finite fibres \Leftrightarrow finite morphism.

Back to the curve X/k (smooth, projective). Recall $\text{Cl}(X) \xrightarrow{\simeq} \text{Pic}(X) \xrightarrow{\text{deg}} \mathbb{Z}$.

Proposition 8.3. *Let S be any connected k -scheme, $\mathcal{L} \in \text{Pic}(X \times S)$. Then*

- (i) $\text{deg } \mathcal{L}_{X \times \{s\}}$ is independent of $s \in S$.
- (ii) For all $m \geq 0$, $\{s \in S \mid \dim_{k(s)} H^0(X \times \{s\}, \mathcal{L}|_{X \times \{s\}}) \geq m\}$ is closed.

Proof. (ii) follows from Seesaw, Corollary 6.4. (i) holds because the Euler characteristic $h^0 - h^1 = 1 - g + \text{deg } D$ is constant in flat connected families, see [Har77, Chapter III §9]. □

So $\text{Pic}(X \times S) = \coprod_{n \in \mathbb{Z}} \text{Pic}^n(X \times S)$ if S is connected, where

$$\text{Pic}^n(X \times S) = \{\mathcal{L} \in \text{Pic}(X \times S) \mid \forall s \in S, \text{deg } \mathcal{L}|_{X \times \{s\}} = n\}.$$

And for all $\mathcal{G} \in \text{Pic}^n(X)$,

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Pic}^0(X \times S) &\xrightarrow{\simeq} \text{Pic}^n(X \times S) \\ \mathcal{L} &\mapsto \mathcal{L} \otimes \text{pr}_1^* \mathcal{G} \end{aligned}$$

In particular, if say $X(k) \neq \emptyset$, then $\text{Pic}^0 \simeq \text{Pic}^n$ for all n , and $\text{Pic}(X \times S) \cong \text{Pic}^0(X \times S) \times \mathbb{Z}$.

From now on assume $k = k^{\text{alg}}$. Notation:

- D, D', \dots will be divisors of some degree (usually g).
- E, \dots divisor of degree 0.

Proposition 8.4.

- (i) If $\deg(D) = g$, then $\ell(D) = h^0(X, \mathcal{O}_X(D)) \geq 1$.
(ii) There exists D_0 of degree g , with $D_0 \geq 0$ and $\ell(D_0) = 1$.

Proof.

- (i) By Riemann Roch, $h^0(\mathcal{O}_X(D)) = h^1(\mathcal{O}_X(D)) + 1 \geq 1$ if $\deg D = g$.
(ii) Let $\mathcal{L} \in \text{Pic}(X)$ with $\deg \mathcal{L} = d \geq 2g + 1$. Then $h^1(\mathcal{L}) = h^0(\mathcal{L}^\vee \otimes \Omega) = 0$. Then $h^0(\mathcal{L}) = d + 1 - g$. Also recall (e.g. [Har77, Chapter IV, Corollary 3.2(b)]) that $d \geq 2g + 1$ implies: Sections of \mathcal{L} give a closed immersion $X \hookrightarrow \mathbb{P}_k^{d-g}$ (i.e. \mathcal{L} is very ample), and the image is not contained in any hyperplane¹.

Since $k = k^{\text{alg}}$ is infinite, there exist $P_1, \dots, P_{d-g} \in X(k) \subseteq \mathbb{P}^{d-g}(k)$ not lying on any codimension 2 linear subspace. Then

$$H^0(X, \mathcal{L} \otimes \mathcal{O}(-\sum P_i)) = \{s \in H^0(X, \mathcal{L}) \mid s(P_1) = \dots = s(P_{d-g}) = 0\}$$

has dimension $H^0(\mathcal{L}) - (d - g) = 1$, so $\mathcal{L} \otimes \mathcal{O}_X(-\sum P_i) \cong \mathcal{O}_X(D_0)$ for some $D_0 \geq 0$, $\deg(D) = g$, $\ell(D_0) = 1$.

□

Now fix a divisor D_0 with $D_0 \geq 0$, $\deg D_0 = g$ and $\ell(D_0) = 1$. Then for all $E \in \text{Div}^0(X)$, there exists $D' = P_1 + \dots + P_g$ (say) with $\mathcal{O}(D') \cong \mathcal{O}(D_0 + E)$. So the map

$$\begin{aligned} \pi_k : \{D' \geq 0 \text{ of degree } g\} &\longrightarrow \text{Cl}^0(X), \\ D' &\longmapsto \mathcal{O}_X(D' - D_0) \end{aligned}$$

is surjective. Note that

$$\begin{aligned} \{D' \geq 0 \text{ of degree } g\} &= \{\text{unordered } g\text{-tuples of elements of } X(k)\} \\ &= X(k)^g / \text{Sym}(g) = (X^g / \text{Sym}(g))(k) \end{aligned}$$

$X^{(g)} := X^g / \text{Sym}(g)$ is a first approximation to the Jacobian J which we will construct together with morphism $\pi : X^{(k)} \rightarrow J$. [N.B. “most” of the fibres of π_k have just one element]

¹The map is defined by taking a basis of $H^0(X, \mathcal{L})$ and take these basis elements as coordinates in \mathbb{P}_k^{d-g} . They are linearly independent, so no linear form can vanish everywhere on the image

Actually, $X^{(g)}$ is nonsingular (essential case is $\mathbb{A}^g/\mathrm{Sym}(g) = \mathrm{Spec} k[t_1, \dots, t_g]^{\mathrm{Sym}(g)} = \mathrm{Spec} k[S_1, \dots, S_g]$ where S_1, \dots, S_g are the elementary symmetric polynomials).

We use this to construct J with $J(k) \cong \mathrm{Pic}^0(X)$. Precisely: Fix $x_0 \in X(k)$.

Theorem 8.1 (souped-up). *There exists an abelian variety J/k , and $\mathcal{P} \in \mathrm{Pic}^0(X \times J)$ with $\mathcal{P}|_{\{x_0\} \times J} \cong \mathcal{O}_J$, such that for all k -schemes S :*

$$J(S) \xrightarrow{\cong} \{ \text{isomorphism classes of } \mathcal{L} \in \mathrm{Pic}^0(X \times S) \text{ with } \mathcal{L}|_{\{x_0\} \times S} \cong \mathcal{O}_S \},$$

$$(f : S \rightarrow J) \mapsto (\mathrm{id}_X \times f)^* \mathcal{P}$$

In particular, $J(k) \simeq \mathrm{Pic}^0(X)$.

Remark. If $\mathcal{L} \in \mathrm{Pic}^0(X \times S)$, for any $\mathcal{M} \in \mathrm{Pic}(S)$ let $\mathcal{L}' = \mathcal{L} \otimes \mathrm{pr}_2^* \mathcal{M} \in \mathrm{Pic}^0(X \times S)$. Then for all $s \in S$, $\mathcal{L}|_{X \times \{s\}} \simeq \mathcal{L}'|_{X \times \{s\}}$, hence \mathcal{L} and \mathcal{L}' should correspond to the same element of $J(S)$. But $\mathcal{L}' \otimes \mathcal{L}^\vee|_{\{x_0\} \times S} = \mathcal{M}$. So by fixing $\mathcal{L}|_{\{x_0\} \times S} \simeq \mathcal{O}_S$, we get rid of this ambiguity.

Lemma 8.5 (Version 0). *There exists a variety U_0 (ultimately a dense open in J) and $\mathcal{P}_0 \in \mathrm{Pic}^0(X \times U_0)$, with $\mathcal{P}_0|_{\{x_0\} \times U_0} \simeq \mathcal{O}_{U_0}$ such that for all varieties S ,*

$$U_0(S) \xrightarrow{\cong} \left\{ \text{iso. classes } \mathcal{L} \in \mathrm{Pic}^0(X \times S) \left| \begin{array}{l} \mathcal{L}|_{\{x_0\} \times S} \cong \mathcal{O}_S \text{ and for all } s \in S, \\ h^0(\mathcal{L}|_{X \times \{s\}} \otimes \mathcal{O}_X(D_0)) = 1 \end{array} \right. \right\}$$

via $(f : S \rightarrow U_0) \mapsto (\mathrm{id}_X \times f)^* \mathcal{P}_0$.

Note that always $h^0(\mathcal{L}|_{X \times \{s\}} \otimes \mathcal{O}_X(D_0)) \geq 1$ by Proposition 8.4.

Proof. Construct U_0 as an open subset of $X^{(g)}$. There is $\mathcal{M} \in \mathrm{Pic}(X \times X^{(g)})$ with $\mathcal{M}|_{X \times \{D'\}} \simeq \mathcal{O}_X(D')$ for all $D' \in X^{(g)}(k)$ and $\mathcal{M}|_{\{x_0\} \times X^{(g)}} \simeq \mathcal{O}_{X^{(g)}}$ which we construct as follows:

$$\begin{array}{ccc} X \times X^g & \supseteq & \Delta_X \times X^{g-1} = \{(x_1, x_1, \dots, x_g)\} \\ \text{quotient} \downarrow \mathrm{id}_X \times \varphi & & \downarrow \\ X \times X^{(g)} & \supseteq & Y = (\mathrm{id}_X \times \varphi)(\Delta_X \times X^{g-1}) \end{array}$$

Then for all $D' \in X^{(g)}(k)$, $Y|_{X \times \{D'\}} = D'$. Let $\mathcal{M}' = \mathcal{O}_{X \times X^{(g)}}(Y)$. Then

$$\mathcal{M} = \mathcal{M}' \otimes \mathrm{pr}_2^* \mathcal{M}'|_{\{x_0\} \times X^{(g)}}^\vee$$

satisfies the conditions.

Let $W = \{s \in X^{(g)} \mid h^0(\mathcal{M}|_{X \times \{s\}}) = 1\}$. This is open in $X^{(g)}$ by semicontinuity, and is nonempty, as $D_0 \in W(k)$ by definition of D_0 . Then take $(U_0, \mathcal{P}_0) = (W, \mathcal{M}|_W \otimes \mathrm{pr}_1^* \mathcal{O}_X(-D_0))$. If $f : S \rightarrow U_0$ is any morphism, then $\mathcal{L} = (\mathrm{id}_X \times f)^*(\mathcal{M} \otimes \mathcal{O}_X(-D_0)) \in \mathrm{Pic}^0(X \times S)$ is trivial on $\{x_0\} \times S$ and $h^0(\mathcal{L}|_{X \times \{s\}} \otimes \mathcal{O}(D_0)) = 1$ for all $s \in S$ by construction. We want every \mathcal{L} to arise in this way. Let $\mathcal{L} \in \mathrm{Pic}^0(X \times S)$ and consider $\mathcal{L} \otimes \mathrm{pr}_1^* \mathcal{O}_X(D_0) =$

\mathcal{Q} . Then $h^0(\mathcal{Q}|_{X \times \{s\}}) = 1$ for all $s \in S$. As in the proof of seesaw, locally on S , \mathcal{L} has a section, unique up to unit in \mathcal{O}_S , whose restriction to each fibre $X \times \{s\}$ is nonzero. The zero-set of these sections glue to give family of divisors of degree g in $X \times S$ which determines a morphism $S \rightarrow X^{(g)}$ and its image is in U_0 . \square

Having constructed U_0 , we just need to glue together some copies (translates!) to cover J .

Let D_1, D_2, \dots be some divisors ≥ 0 of degree g , but we no longer assume $\ell(D_i) = 1$.

We modify the lemma by replacing 0 by $i \geq 1$:

Lemma 8.5 (Version 1). *There exists a variety U_i (ultimately a dense open in J) and $\mathcal{P}_i \in \text{Pic}^0(X \times U_i)$, with $\mathcal{P}_i|_{\{x_0\} \times U_i} \simeq \mathcal{O}_{U_i}$ such that for all varieties S ,*

$$U_i(S) \xrightarrow{\cong} \left\{ \text{iso. classes } \mathcal{L} \in \text{Pic}^0(X \times S) \left| \begin{array}{l} \mathcal{L}|_{\{x_0\} \times S} \cong \mathcal{O}_S \text{ and for all } s \in S, \\ h^0(\mathcal{L}|_{X \times \{s\}} \otimes \mathcal{O}_X(D_i)) = 1 \end{array} \right. \right\}$$

via $(f : S \rightarrow U_i) \mapsto (\text{id}_X \times f)^* \mathcal{P}_i$.

For the proof, just take $(U_i, \mathcal{P}_i) = (W, \mathcal{M}|_W \otimes \mathcal{O}_X(-D_i))$.

Now glue: Let $U_{ij} \subseteq U_i, U_j$ be the open subscheme whose S -points are

$$\left\{ \mathcal{L} \in \text{Pic}^0(X \times S) \left| \begin{array}{l} \mathcal{L}|_{\{x_0\} \times S} \cong \mathcal{O}_S \text{ and for all } s \in S, \\ h^0(\mathcal{L}|_{X \times \{s\}} \otimes \mathcal{O}_X(D_i)) = 1 = h^0(\mathcal{L}|_{X \times \{s\}} \otimes \mathcal{O}_X(D_j)) \end{array} \right. \right\}$$

The U_{ij} are compatible for U_i, U_j, U_l . This defines a scheme $J = \bigcup_i U_i$ by gluing, once we have chosen the D_i 's. Go back to $X^{(g)} \xrightarrow{\pi} J$ defined locally as follows: $W_0 = W \xrightarrow{\cong} U_0$ and $\pi_i : W_i \rightarrow U_i$ where $W_i = \{s \in X^{(g)} \mid h^0(\mathcal{M}|_{X \times \{s\}} \otimes \mathcal{O}_X(D_i - D_0)) = 1\}$ is open in $X^{(g)}$ and contains a point corresponding to $D' \in [2D_0 - D_i]$ since $\ell(D_0) = 1$. By the lemma, $\pi_i \in U_i(W_i)$ corresponds to some \mathcal{L}_i on W_i . Take this \mathcal{L}_i to be $\mathcal{M} \otimes \mathcal{O}(-D_0)$.

Every $D \in X^{(g)}(k)$ lies in W_i for some D_i ($D_i \in [2D_0 - D]$ will do). So $X^{(g)}$ being quasi-compact is a finite union of W_i , for a suitable finite family $(D_i)_{0 \leq i \leq n}$. The π_i are surjective, so $J = \bigcup_{i=0}^n U_i$.

Now define the group law $m : J \times J \rightarrow J$. Define it on the open subsets $U_i \times U_j$ as follows: Let $(x, y) \in U_i(k) \times U_j(k)$ correspond to $\mathcal{P}_{i,x}, \mathcal{P}_{j,y} \in \text{Pic}^0(X)$. Then $\mathcal{P}_{i,x} \otimes \mathcal{P}_{j,y}$ corresponds to some $z \in U_l(k)$ for some l . Take this to be the image of (x, y) under m . Note that $\mathcal{P}_{i,x} \otimes \mathcal{P}_{j,y}$ is the fibre of $\mathcal{L} = \text{pr}_1^* \mathcal{P}_i \otimes \text{pr}_2^* \mathcal{P}_j$ on $U_i \times U_j$ above (x, y) and $h^0(\mathcal{L}|_{(x,y)} \otimes \mathcal{O}(D_l)) = 1$. Then there is a neighborhood V of $(x, y) \in U_i \times U_j$ on which h^0 of $\mathcal{L} \otimes \mathcal{O}(D_l) = 1$. Hence this gives a morphism $V \rightarrow U_l$ and this is our m (locally).

Then one needs to check that this defines a morphism $J \times J \rightarrow J$, that J becomes a group variety in this way, and that $\pi : X^{(g)} \rightarrow J$ is surjective, thus proving that J is projective, hence an abelian variety.

9 Extra Lecture: Proof of Cube

Recall:

Theorem (Theorem of the cube). *Let X, Y, Z be varieties, X, Y complete. Let x, y, z be k -points of X, Y, Z , \mathcal{L} an invertible sheaf on $X \times Y \times Z$. Suppose the restriction of \mathcal{L} to each of $\{x\} \times Y \times Z$, $X \times \{y\} \times Z$, $X \times Y \times \{z\}$ is trivial. Then \mathcal{L} is trivial.*

Remark. This implies that

$$\mathrm{Pic}(X \times Y) \oplus \mathrm{Pic}(X \times Z) \oplus \mathrm{Pic}(Y \times Z) \xrightarrow{\text{projections}^*} \mathrm{Pic}(X \times Y \times Z)$$

is surjective.

Proof. We will prove a slightly more general statement.

- (a) First replace Z by $\mathrm{Spec} A$, A a finite local k -algebra, e.g. $k[t]/(t^n)$. As $z \in Z(k)$, $Z = \{z\}$, and $A/\mathfrak{m}_A = k(z) = k$. We induct on $\dim_k A$. If the dimension is 1, then $Z = \mathrm{Spec} k$, so we are done as $\mathcal{L} = \mathcal{L}|_{X \times Y \times \{z\}} \simeq \mathcal{O}$.

Now suppose $\dim_k A > 1$. Then there is an ideal $I \subseteq A$ with $\dim_k I = 1$ (take any minimal non-zero ideal). Let $Z_1 = \mathrm{Spec} A/I \hookrightarrow Z$.

Lemma 9.1. *Let V be a complete variety. Then $H^0(V \times \mathrm{Spec} B, \mathcal{O}) = B$ for any k -algebra B .*

This is the special case $A = k$ of Corollary 6.3

Lemma 9.2. *Let V be a complete variety. There is an exact sequence (functorial in V)*

$$0 \rightarrow H^1(V, \mathcal{O}_V) \rightarrow \mathrm{Pic}(V \times Z) \rightarrow \mathrm{Pic}(V \times Z_1)$$

A particular case of this is $A = k[t]/(t^2)$, $Z_1 = \mathrm{Spec} k$, $I = (t)$. Then

$$H^1(\mathcal{O}) = \ker(\mathrm{Pic}(V \times \mathrm{Spec} k[t]/(t^2)) \rightarrow \mathrm{Pic} V) = \text{“tangent space to Pic”}.$$

Proof. $I = (t) = kt, t^2 = 0$, so $(1+a)(1+b) = 1 + (a+b)$ for all $a, b \in I$. Then $0 \rightarrow I \rightarrow A^\times \rightarrow (A/I)^\times \rightarrow 0$ is exact where the first map is given by $a \mapsto 1+a$. We globalise this and get an exact sequence $0 \rightarrow I\mathcal{O}_{V \times Z} \rightarrow \mathcal{O}_{V \times Z}^\times \rightarrow \mathcal{O}_{V \times Z_1}^\times \rightarrow 0$ of abelian group sheaves on the topological space of $V \approx V \times Z$.

Also $\mathcal{O}_V \xrightarrow{t} I\mathcal{O}_{V \times Z}$. Note that $H^0(V \times Z, \mathcal{O})^\times = A^\times \rightarrow H^0(V \times Z_1, \mathcal{O})^\times = (A/I)^\times$ is still surjective, so the long exact sequence in cohomology becomes

$$0 \rightarrow H^1(V, \mathcal{O}_V) \rightarrow \mathrm{Pic}(V \times Z) \rightarrow \mathrm{Pic}(V \times Z_1).$$

□

Back to cube, $Z = \text{Spec } A$. By induction, we may assume $\mathcal{L}|_{X \times Y \times Z_1}$ is trivial. By Lemma 9.2 applied to X, Y and $X \times Y$ we get the following diagram:

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc} 0 & \longrightarrow & H^1(X \times Y, \mathcal{O}) & \longrightarrow & \text{Pic}(X \times Y \times Z) & \xrightarrow{c} & \text{Pic}(X \times Y \times Z_1) \\ & & \downarrow a & & \downarrow b & & \downarrow \\ 0 & \rightarrow & H^1(X, \mathcal{O}) \oplus H^1(Y, \mathcal{O}) & \rightarrow & \text{Pic}(X \times Z) \oplus \text{Pic}(Y, Z) & \rightarrow & \text{Pic}(X \times Z_1) \oplus \text{Pic}(Y, Z_1) \end{array}$$

The vertical maps are (y^*, x^*) where $Y \xrightarrow{x} X \times Y \xleftarrow{y} X$.

Then $\mathcal{L} \in \ker b \cap \ker c \simeq \ker a$.

Lemma 9.3. *a is an isomorphism.*

This then implies $\mathcal{L} \simeq \mathcal{O}$, so we are done.

Lemma 9.3 is a special case of:

Theorem (Künneth formula). *Let X, Y be varieties over k , \mathcal{F} (resp. \mathcal{G}) a quasi-coherent \mathcal{O}_X -module (resp. \mathcal{O}_Y -module). Let $\mathcal{H} = \text{pr}_1^* \mathcal{F} \otimes \text{pr}_2^* \mathcal{G}$. Then:*

$$H^n(X \times Y, \mathcal{H}) = \bigoplus_{p+q=n} H^p(X, \mathcal{F}) \otimes H^q(Y, \mathcal{G}).$$

In our case take $\mathcal{F} = \mathcal{O}_X, \mathcal{G} = \mathcal{O}_Y$. Then $H^1(X \times Y, \mathcal{O}) = H^0(X, \mathcal{O}) \otimes H^1(Y, \mathcal{O}) \oplus H^1(X, \mathcal{O}) \otimes H^0(Y, \mathcal{O})$ and $H^0(X, \mathcal{O}) = k = H^0(Y, \mathcal{O})$ as X, Y are complete.

Idea of proof of the Künneth formula: Let $X = \bigcup U_i, Y = \bigcup V_j$ be open affine coverings. Then $X \times Y = \bigcup_{i,j} U_i \times V_j$. Now compare $\check{C}^\bullet(\{U_i \times V_j\}, \mathcal{H})$ and $\check{C}^\bullet(\{U_i\}, \mathcal{F}) \otimes_k \check{C}^\bullet(\{V_j\}, \mathcal{G})$. See Stacks, 0BED.

- (b) $Z = \text{Spec } A$, A a local noetherian k -algebra, $z \in Z$ the closed point. Let $Z_n = \text{Spec } A/\mathfrak{m}_A^n$ for $n \geq 1$. By (a), $\mathcal{L}|_{X \times Y \times Z_n}$ is trivial for all n . Recall from the seesaw proof that there exist finite cyclic A -modules M, M' such that for all k -algebra homomorphisms $A \rightarrow B$, $H^0(X \times Y \times \text{Spec } B, \mathcal{L}_B) = \text{Hom}_A(M, B)$ and same with \mathcal{L}_B^\vee, M' . Since $\mathcal{L}|_{X \times Y \times Z_n}$ is trivial, Lemma 9.1 gives $M \otimes A/\mathfrak{m}^n \cong A/\mathfrak{m}^n$. Therefore $\text{Ann}_A(M) \subseteq \bigcap_{n \geq 1} \mathfrak{m}^n = \{0\}$. So $M \simeq A \simeq M'$. Then \mathcal{L}_B and \mathcal{L}_B^\vee both have non-zero H^0 , so $\mathcal{L} \simeq \mathcal{O}$.

This is a scheme-theoretic version of semicontinuity: there is a maximal closed subscheme $Z^* \subseteq Z$ such that $\mathcal{L}|_{V \times Z^*} \simeq \mathcal{O}$ where $V = X \times Y$. As $Z^* \supseteq Z_n$ for all n we get $Z^* = Z$.

- (c) Now let Z be a variety. Then $\mathcal{L}|_{X \times Y \times \text{Spec } \mathcal{O}_{Z,z}} \simeq \mathcal{O}$ by part (b), so $F = \{z' \in Z \mid \mathcal{L}|_{X \times Y \times \{z'\}} \text{ is trivial}\}$ is closed (by seesaw) and contains the generic point of Z as it

¹L.T.: How do we get this from the Lemma? We get $\text{Hom}_A(M, A/\mathfrak{m}^n) \simeq A/\mathfrak{m}^n$, but how do we get $M \otimes A/\mathfrak{m}^n$ from this? Anyway, it is also clear from $\text{Hom}_A(M, A/\mathfrak{m}^n) \simeq A/\mathfrak{m}^n$ that $\text{Ann}_A M \subseteq \mathfrak{m}^n$.

is also the generic point of $\text{Spec } \mathcal{O}_{Z,z}$. Then $F = Z$, hence $\mathcal{L} = \text{pr}_3^* \mathcal{M}$ by seesaw for some \mathcal{M} on Z . Then $\mathcal{O}_Z \simeq \mathcal{L}|_{\{x\} \times \{y\} \times Z} \simeq \mathcal{M}$. Then \mathcal{L} is trivial.

□

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