

So  $x_m = tv x_m$ , so  $tv = 1$ , a contradiction. ✓

Uniqueness If  $x = u_1 t^{n_1} = u_2 t^{n_2}$ , wma  $n_1 > n_2$ , and then  $t^{n_1 - n_2} = u_1^{-1} u_2 \in R^*$ , so  $n_1 - n_2 = 0$  and thus  $n_1 = n_2$  as well.

$R$  is a PID because for  $(0) \subsetneq I \subset R$ , we set  $n_I = \min \{ n \in \mathbb{Z}_{>0} \mid t^n \in I \}$ . Then  $I = (t^{n_I})$ . □

Finally, given a DVR, we can define the valuation

$v_R: \text{Frac}(R)^* \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}$  by

$v_R: R \setminus \{0\} \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}_{>0}$  is  $v_R(x) =$  the  $n \in \mathbb{Z}_{>0}$  :  $x = t^n \cdot u, u \in R^*$ .

On  $\text{Frac}(R)^*$ ,  $v_R(a/b) = v_R(a) - v_R(b)$  for  $a, b \in R$ .

This satisfies  $\cdot$  group hom

$v_R(x+y) \geq \min \{ v_R(x), v_R(y) \}$

Ex:  $v_p: \mathbb{Q}^* \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}$   
 $p^n \cdot \frac{a}{b} \mapsto n$   
 $(ab, p) = 1$

$v_{(t-a)}: \mathbb{K}(t)^* \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}$   
 $(t-a)^n \cdot \frac{g(t)}{h(t)}$   
 $(g, h, t-a) = 1$

(Shangjie's talk)

this corresponds to  $\infty \in \mathbb{P}^1$ , so we have a bijection  $\mathbb{P}^1 \leftrightarrow$  surj. discrete valuations on  $\mathbb{K}(t)$ .

also have

$v_\infty: \mathbb{K}(t)^* \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}$   
 on  $\mathbb{K}[t]$ , this is  $v_\infty(f) = -\deg(f)$

$\mathbb{K}[\frac{1}{t}] \subset \mathbb{K}(t)$  and  $\mathbb{K}[\frac{1}{t}]_{(1/t)}$  is a DVR, and this is the associated valuation.

Now we prove the Prop:  $P \in C \subset \mathbb{A}^n$  a nonsingular point on the curve  $C \Rightarrow \mathcal{O}_{C,P}$  is a DVR. (next time)

(We've just seen some examples of this.)

Pf:  $\mathcal{O}_{C,P}$  is a Noetherian local domain, so we must show  $\mathfrak{m}_{C,P}$  is principal.  $P \in C$  nonsingular tells us (curve)

if  $I(C) = (f_1, \dots, f_r)$ , then

$$J(P) \rightarrow \text{rk} \begin{pmatrix} \frac{\partial f_1}{\partial x_1} & \dots & \frac{\partial f_1}{\partial x_n} \\ \vdots & & \vdots \\ \frac{\partial f_r}{\partial x_1} & \dots & \frac{\partial f_r}{\partial x_n} \end{pmatrix} (P) \leq n-1 \quad \left( \frac{\partial (x_{i_0} - P_{i_0})}{\partial x_j} \right)_j$$

$\downarrow$   
 $i_0$   
 $\downarrow$

Let  $P = (P_1, \dots, P_n)$ ;  $\exists i_0$  such that  $(0, 0, \dots, 1, 0)$  together w/ the rows of  $J(P)$  spans  $\mathbb{K}^n$ .

So for any  $g \in \mathbb{K}[x_1, \dots, x_n]$  such that  $g(P) = 0$ , the Taylor expansion of  $g$  at  $P$  looks like

$$g(x_1, \dots, x_n) = \underbrace{g(P)}_0 + \sum_{j=1}^n \frac{\partial g}{\partial x_j}(P) (x_j - P_j) + \text{higher order in } x_j - P_j$$

$\leftarrow f_{r+1} = 1, \dots, r$

$$= \text{some combo of } \left( \frac{\partial f_i}{\partial x_j}(P) \right)_j \text{ and } \left( \frac{\partial (x_{i_0} - P_{i_0})}{\partial x_j} \right)_j$$

so  $\bar{g} \in \underbrace{(x_{i_0} - P_{i_0})}_t + \mathfrak{m}_{C,P}^2$

$\mathbb{K}[C]$  Conclude:  $\mathfrak{m}_{C,P} = (t) + \mathfrak{m}_{C,P}^2$

$\mathfrak{m}_{C,P} = \mathfrak{m}_P$

This forces  $\mathfrak{m}_{C,P} = (t)$  by Nakayama's Lemma.

~~$X$~~   $X = \mathfrak{m}_{C,P}/(t)$  satisfies:  ~~$X$~~  is a f.g.  $\mathcal{O}_{C,P}$ -module such that  $\mathfrak{m}_{C,P} \cdot X = X$ . (b/c  $\mathfrak{m}_P \cdot \mathfrak{m}_P + (t) = \mathfrak{m}_P$ )

This forces  $X = 0$ : else we take a minimal set of generators  $m_1, \dots, m_s$  of  $X$  as  $\mathcal{O}_{C,P}$ -module.

As  $m_s \in X$ , we can write  $m_s = \sum_{i=1}^s a_i m_i$  with  $a_i \in \mathfrak{m}_P$ .

$\leadsto (1 - a_s)m_s = \sum_{i=1}^{s-1} a_i m_i$ . But  $1 - a_s \in \mathcal{O}_{C,P}^\times$ , so  $m_s \in \sum_{i=1}^{s-1} \mathfrak{m}_P \cdot m_i$ , contradicting minimality of  $m_1, \dots, m_s$ .

Let's use the Prop to make some important constructions and observations.

Let  $C$  be a nonsingular projective curve

General Case

Let  $f \in \bar{k}(C)^*$

$\forall P \in C$ , we have the discrete valuation  $v_P: \bar{k}(C)^* \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}$  so can compute  $v_P(f)$

We say  $f$  has a  $\begin{cases} \text{zero} & v_P(f) > 0 \\ \text{pole} & v_P(f) < 0 \end{cases}$  at  $P$  if  $v_P(f) > 0$  or  $v_P(f) < 0$

Case  $C = \mathbb{P}^1$

$f(t) \in \bar{k}(t)^*$ , i.e.

$f(t) = \frac{g(t)}{h(t)}$   $g, h \in \bar{k}[t]$   
non-zero

$P = [a, 1] \sim v_{t-a}(f)$   
 $a \in \bar{k}$

$P = [1, 0] \sim v_\infty(f) = -\deg(f)$   
"∞"  $= -\deg(g) + \deg(h)$

Prop:  $v_P(f) = 0$  for all but finitely many  $P \in C$ .

• If  $v_P(f) \geq 0 \forall P \in C$ , then  $f \in \bar{k}$   
uses projective (global regular functions on a projective variety are constants)

a generalization of our result that if  $f \in \bar{k}[x, y]$  irreducible, and  $f \nmid g$ , then  $v(f, g)$  is finite.

PF for  $\mathbb{P}^1$ : • for only finitely many  $a \in \bar{k}$  does  $t-a$  divide  $g(t)$  or  $h(t)$   
•  $f = g/h$ . wma  $(g, h) = 1$ .  
if  $v_{t-a}(f) = v_{t-a}(g) - v_{t-a}(h)$  is  $\geq 0 \forall a \in \bar{k}$ , then  $h \in \bar{k}$  is constant, and  $f \in \bar{k}[t] \setminus 0$ . But  $v_\infty(f) = -\deg(f) \geq 0$  forces  $f$  to be constant.  $\square$

We define the divisor group of  $C$  to be

$\text{Div}(C) = \bigoplus_{P \in C} \mathbb{Z}[P]$  (the free ab. gp. on  $C$ )

$= \left\{ \sum_{P \in C} c_P \cdot [P] \mid c_P \in \mathbb{Z} \text{ and all but finitely many } c_P \text{ are } 0 \right\}$

$\text{Div}(\mathbb{P}^1)$

$= \left\{ \sum_{[a_1, a_2] \in \mathbb{P}^1} c_{[a_1, a_2]} [a_1, a_2] \mid \text{almost all } c_i \text{ are } 0 \right\}$

By the Prop, we have a well-defined group homomorphism

$$\text{div}: \bar{k}(C)^* \longrightarrow \text{Div}(C)$$

$$\text{div}(f) = \sum_{P \in C} v_P(f) \cdot [P],$$

$$\text{and } \ker(\text{div}) = \bar{k}^*$$

What about the image?

• Define the degree of a divisor

$$\text{deg}: \text{Div}(C) \longrightarrow \mathbb{Z}$$

$$\sum_{P \in C} c_P \cdot [P] \longmapsto \sum_{P \in C} c_P, \text{ and}$$

$$\text{let } \text{Div}^0(C) = \ker(\text{deg})$$

Then  $\forall f \in \bar{k}(C)^*$ ,

$$\boxed{\text{deg}(\text{div}(f)) = 0}$$

(can prove by reduction to the case  $C = \mathbb{P}^1$  using  $f: C \rightarrow \mathbb{P}^1$ )

(Picard)

$$\text{Defn: } \textcircled{1} \text{ Pic}(C) = \text{Div}(C) / \text{div}(\bar{k}(C)^*)$$

$$\textcircled{2} \text{ Pic}^0(C) = \text{Div}^0(C) / \text{div}(\bar{k}(C)^*)$$

For  $C \neq \mathbb{P}^1$ ,  $\text{Pic}^0(C)$  is very interesting!

$$\text{Let } f(t) = \frac{g(t)}{h(t)}$$

$$= \frac{\prod_{a \in \bar{k}} (t-a)^{n_a}}{\prod_{a \in \bar{k}} (t-a)^{m_a}} \cdot (cst)$$

(almost all  $n_a$  and  $m_a$  are zero)

$$\text{so } \text{div}(f) = \text{div}(g) - \text{div}(h)$$

$$= \sum_{a \in \bar{k}} (n_a - m_a) \cdot [a, 1]$$

$$- \left( \sum_{a \in \bar{k}} (n_a - m_a) \cdot [1, 0] \right)$$

$$\text{so } \text{deg}(\text{div}(f)) = 0$$

$$\text{Prop: } \text{Pic}^0(\mathbb{P}^1) = (0)$$

$$\text{Pf: Let } D \in \text{Div}^0(\mathbb{P}^1)$$

$$D = \sum_{a \in \bar{k}} n_a \cdot [a] - \sum_{a \in \bar{k}} n_a \cdot [a_0]$$

Define

$$f(t) = \prod_{a \in \bar{k}} (t-a)^{n_a}$$

$$\text{Then } \text{div}(f) = D \quad \square$$

Cor:  $\text{Pic}(\mathbb{P}^1) \xrightarrow{\text{deg}} \mathbb{Z}$  is an isomorphism.

How do we understand  $\text{Pic}^0(C)$ ?

What are the possible zeroes and poles of elements of  $\bar{k}(C)^*$ ?

Riemann-Roch Theorem. (Continue to let  $C$  be a nonsingular, irreducible projective curve.)

Define a partial order on  $\text{Div}(C)$  by

$$\sum_i c_p \cdot [P] \succcurlyeq \sum_i d_p \cdot [P] \iff c_p \succcurlyeq d_p \quad \forall P \in C.$$

Ex:  $\text{div}(f) \succcurlyeq 0 \iff f$  has no poles  $\iff f \in \bar{k}^*$ .

Spaces of functions with bounded zeroes and poles

For  $D \in \text{Div}(C)$ , let  $L(D)$  be the  $\bar{k}$ -vector space with?

$$L(D) = \left\{ f \in \bar{k}(C)^* \mid \text{div}(f) \succcurlyeq -D \right\} \cup \{0\}$$

Let  $l(D) = \dim_{\bar{k}} L(D)$

Ex:  $D = [P]$

$L(D) = \{f \mid f \text{ has no poles away from } P \text{ and a pole of order at most } 1 \text{ at } P\}$

Lemma:  $D \in \text{Div}(C)$

① If  $\deg(D) < 0$ , then  $L(D) = \{0\}$

②  $L(D)$  is finite-dimensional.

③  $L(D - \text{div}(f)) \xrightarrow{\sim} L(D) \quad \forall f \in \bar{k}(C)^*$   
 $\downarrow \quad \downarrow$   
 $g \longmapsto g \cdot f$

Pf: (1) If  $f \notin \mathcal{O}_P$  and  $\text{div}(f) \geq -D$ , then  $\deg(\text{div} f) \geq -\deg(D) > 0$ , a contradiction.

(2) For any  $D, D' \in \text{Div}(C)$  with  $D \leq D'$ ,  $L(D) \subseteq L(D')$  and we claim  $\dim L(D')/L(D) \leq \deg(D'-D)$  (s.o. is f.d.)

By induction, STP  $\dim L(D+P)/L(D) \leq 1 \quad \forall P \in C$ .

Let  $c_P =$  the coeffs. of  $[P]$  in  $D$ , and let  $t \in \mathcal{O}_{C,P}$  be a uniformizer. Define the linear map

$$\begin{array}{ccc} L(D+P) & \longrightarrow & \bar{k} \\ \downarrow f & & \downarrow \\ f & \longmapsto & (t^{c_P+1} f)(P) \end{array}$$

whose kernel is  $L(D)$ . Now inductively reduce to the case  $D=0$ . (3) - exercise (easy).

**Theorem**  $C$  as before. There is an integer  $g = g(C) \geq 0$  and a divisor  $K \in \text{Div}(C)$  such that  $\forall D \in \text{Div}(C)$ ,

$$l(D) - l(K - D) = \deg(D) + 1 - g.$$

(by the Lemma, any representative of  $[K] \in \text{Pic}(C)$  has this property).

$K$  is called a canonical divisor on  $C$ .

$g$  is called the genus of  $C$

Cor: ①  $l(K) = g$  : take  $D = O$  and get

$$\underbrace{l(O)}_{\dim(\text{const fns})} - l(K) = 0 + 1 - g \quad \text{so } l(K) = g$$

②  $\deg(K) = 2g - 2$ : take  $D = K$  and get -

$$\underbrace{l(K)}_g - \underbrace{l(O)}_1 = \deg(K) + 1 - g \quad \text{so } \deg(K) = 2g - 2$$

③ If  $\deg(D) > 2g - 2$ , then  $l(D) = \deg(D) + 1 - g$  :  
indeed, then  $\deg(K - D) < 0$ , so (last lemma)  $l(K - D) = \{0\}$ .  $\square$

Eg:  $C = \mathbb{P}^1$ . We know  $\text{Pic}(C) \xrightarrow{\deg} \mathbb{Z}$

For any  $D \in \text{Div}(C)$ ,  $D = \deg(D) \cdot [\infty] + \text{div}(f)$  for some  $f \in \bar{k}(\mathbb{P}^1)^\times$ .

Claim: Taking  $g = 0$  and  $K = -2 \cdot [\infty]$ , the R-R formula holds

$$l(D) - l(K - D) = l(\deg(D) \cdot [\infty]) - l((-2 - \deg(D)) \cdot [\infty])$$

For  $n \geq 0$ ,  $L(n \cdot [\infty]) = \{f \in \bar{k}(t)^\times \mid \text{div}(f) \geq -n \cdot [\infty]\}$

$= \{ \text{degree} \leq n \text{ polynomials in } \bar{k}[t] \}$  (dim =  $n + 1$ ).

For  $n < 0$ ,  $L(n \cdot [\infty]) = (0)$ .

$$\text{So } l(D) - \underbrace{l(K - D)}_1 = \begin{cases} -[-2 - \deg(D) + 1] & \deg(D) \leq -2 \\ 0 & \deg(D) = -1 \\ 1 + \deg(D) & \deg(D) \geq 0 \end{cases}$$

$$= \deg(D) + 1 - \underbrace{0}_g$$



Conversely: Lemma:  $g(C) = 0 \Rightarrow C \cong \mathbb{P}^1$ .  
(over  $\bar{k}$ )

PF: Take  $P, Q \in C$ ,  $P \neq Q$ . Apply R-R

to  $D = P - Q$ .  $\deg(D) > 2g - 2 = -2$ , so

$l(D) = \deg(D) + 1 - g = 1$ . Set  $L(D) = \bar{k} \cdot f$

$f$  is not constant ( $f(Q) = 0$ ), so it

defines a nonconstant morphism

$$C \longrightarrow \mathbb{P}^1$$

$$\alpha \longmapsto [f(\alpha), 1] \text{ if } f \in \mathcal{O}_{C, \alpha}$$

$$\alpha \longmapsto [1, 0] \text{ if } f \notin \mathcal{O}_{C, \alpha}$$

of degree 1, which is therefore an isomorphism.

Huh?! We haven't defined "morphisms" of varieties!

I'll review a tiny bit, but you should read up — we won't use much, though.

But first I want to define  $g$  and  $K$ ...



# Differential Forms

Aim: For a curve  $C$  over  $k$ , define the  $k(C)$ -vector space  $\Omega_{k(C)/k}$  of "meromorphic differentials" on  $C$ .

More generally, for any  $k$ -algebra  $R$ , we define:

$$\Omega_{R/k} := \frac{\bigoplus_{x \in R} R \cdot [x]}{\left( \begin{array}{l} \text{the } R\text{-submodule generated by} \\ \bullet [x+y] - [x] - [y] \quad \forall x, y \in R \\ \bullet [c \cdot x] - c \cdot [x] \quad \forall c \in k, x \in R \\ \bullet [xy] - x[y] - y[x] \end{array} \right)}$$

*a symbol for a basis element*

$R$ -module

Write  $dx \in \Omega_{R/k}$  for the image of  $[x]$ .

The idea here: we have in a universal way imposed the "differentiation rules"  $d(x+y) = dx + dy$ ,  $d(cx) = c dx$ ,  $d(xy) = x dy + y dx$  (product rule)

Example:  $R = k[t] \ni f(t)$ . Then  $d f(t) = f'(t) \cdot dt$

More generally, <sup>for</sup>  $R = k[t_1, \dots, t_n]$ ,

$$\Omega_{R/k} = \bigoplus_{i=1}^n R dt_i \quad (\text{free } R\text{-module}).$$

since  $df(t_1, \dots, t_n) = \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{\partial f}{\partial t_i}(t_1, \dots, t_n) \cdot dt_i$

•  $\Omega_{k(t_1, \dots, t_n)/k} = \bigoplus_{i=1}^n k(t_1, \dots, t_n) \cdot dt_i$  (vector space of rank  $n$ )  
(combine last example with  $d(f/g) = \frac{gdf - fdg}{g^2}$ ).

Abbreviate  $\Omega_{\bar{k}(C)/\bar{k}} =: \Omega_C$

Prop. ① For any curve  $C$ ,  $\Omega_C$  is a  $\bar{k}(C)$ -vector space of dimension 1.

② For  $x \in \bar{k}(C) \setminus \bar{k}$ ,  $\Omega_C = \bar{k}(C)dx$  if and only if  $\bar{k}(C)/\bar{k}(x)$  is separable.

The divisor of a differential form.

Aim: Define  $\text{div}(\omega) \in \text{Div}(C)$  for  $\omega \in \Omega_C$  when  $C$  is a nonsingular projective curve.

$$\text{div}(\omega) = \sum_{P \in C} v_P(\omega) [P]$$