

## Divisors and line bundles

$X$ : smooth connected variety over  $k = \bar{k}$

$\Rightarrow X$  integral with generic pt  $\eta$

### Weil divisors

Def A prime divisor  $Y \subseteq X$  is a closed integral subscheme w/  $\text{codim}_X Y = 1$

A (Weil) divisor  $D = \sum n_i Y_i \in \text{Div}(X) := \bigoplus_{\substack{Y \subseteq X \\ \text{prime Div}}} \mathbb{Z} Y$

effective if all  $n_i \geq 0$

$Y \subseteq X$ : prime divisor

$X$  smooth  $\Rightarrow \mathcal{O}_{X,Y}$  regular local ring of dim 1  
i.e. a DVR w/ fraction field  $K(X)$

$\Rightarrow$  valuation ord <sub>$Y$</sub> :  $K(X)^* \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}$   
 $f = ut^n \mapsto n$  for  $u \in \mathcal{O}_{X,Y}^*$

Def divisor of zeros and poles homomorphism

$$\text{div}: K(X)^* \rightarrow \text{Div}(X)$$

$$f \mapsto \sum_{\substack{Y \subseteq X \\ \text{prime}}} \text{ord}_Y(f) Y$$

$t \in \mathcal{O}_{X,Y}$   
uniformizer  
a.k.a. local  
parameter

Divisors of the form  $\text{div}(f)$  are called principal.

$D, D'$  are linearly equivalent if  $\exists f$  s.t.  $D - D' = \text{div}(f)$

The divisor class group is

$$\text{Cl}(X) = \text{Div}(X) / \text{im}(\text{div})$$

Prop A noetherian domain. TFAE:

(1)  $A$  is a UFD

(2)  $\text{Spec}(A)$  is normal and  $\text{Cl}(\text{Spec}(A)) = 0$

(3) every prime ideal of  $ht = 1$  is principal

Fact if  $R$  regular local ring, then  $R$  is a UFD

→ for us  $l(X)$  is a global/geometric object  
Cartier divisors (in general, it also contains arithmetic information)

$\mathcal{K}_X$ : constant sheaf on  $X$  valued in  $K(X)$

$\mathcal{K}_X^*$ : " " " " " "

sheaf of abelian groups

consider s.e.s. (of abelian groups written multiplicatively)

$$1 \rightarrow \mathcal{O}_X^* \rightarrow \mathcal{K}_X^* \rightarrow \mathcal{K}_X^* / \mathcal{O}_X^* = 1$$

Def A cartier divisor  $\in \Gamma(X, \mathcal{K}_X^* / \mathcal{O}_X^*)$

$$\left\{ (u_i, f_i) \mid \begin{array}{l} X = \bigcup u_i \\ f_i \in K(X)^{\times} \\ \text{s.t. } f_i/f_j \in \mathcal{O}_X(u_{ij})^{\times} \end{array} \right\} / \sim$$

Cartier divisors in the image of

$$k(x)^* = \Gamma(x, \mathcal{K}_x^*) \xrightarrow{\circ} \Gamma(x, \mathcal{K}_x^* / \mathcal{O}_x^*)$$

are called principal

$\forall y$  prime  $\text{ord}_y | \sigma_x^x = 0$

$$\Rightarrow K(X)^{\times} \rightarrow \Gamma(X, \mathcal{K}_X^{\times} / \mathcal{O}_X^{\times})$$

$$\text{ord}_Y \searrow \quad \quad \quad \swarrow \text{ord}_Y$$

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \mapsto & K(X)^{\times} & \rightarrow \Pi(X, \mathbb{Z}_X^{\times} / \mathcal{O}_X^{\times}) \\ & \searrow & \downarrow \text{div} \\ & & \text{Div}(X) \end{array}$$

$$\text{div}(f)$$

Prop:  $X$ : smooth connected variety  
 $\text{div}: \Gamma(X, \mathcal{K}_X^* / \mathcal{O}_X^*) \rightarrow \text{Div}(X)$   
 is an isomorphism.

Proof  $\forall x \in X$   $\mathcal{O}_{X,x}$  regular local domain  $\Rightarrow$  UFD

$\forall Y \subseteq X$  prime  $Y|_{\text{Spec}(\mathcal{O}_{X,x})} \leftrightarrow$  cut out by a height 1 prime ideal  
 $\mathcal{J}_x = (f_x^Y)$

$\Rightarrow \exists X = \bigcup_i U_i^Y$  open cover and  $f_i^Y \in \mathcal{O}_X(U_i^Y)$  s.t.  
 $Y|_{U_i^Y} = V(f_i^Y)$

the map

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Div}(X) &\longrightarrow \Gamma(X, \mathcal{K}_X^* / \mathcal{O}_X^*) \\ Y &\longmapsto (U_i^Y, f_i^Y) \end{aligned}$$

yields an inverse to  $\text{div}$ . □

Exercise  $\text{div}(U_i, f_i)$  is effective iff  $f_i \in \mathcal{O}_{U_i}^*$

## Line bundles

Def A line bundle (a.k.a invertible sheaf)  $\mathcal{L}$  on  $X$  is a sheaf of  $\mathcal{O}_X$ -modules which is Zariski locally isomorphic to  $\mathcal{O}_X$ . i.e.  $\exists$  open cover  $X = \bigcup_i U_i$  and isomorphisms  $\mathcal{O}_{U_i} \cong \mathcal{L}|_{U_i}$

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{O}_X \text{ acts on } \Gamma(X, \mathcal{K}_X^* / \mathcal{O}_X^*) &\rightarrow \{(\mathcal{L}, s) \mid \mathcal{L} \text{ line bundle, } s \in \mathcal{L}_\eta\} / \sim \\ D = (U_i, f_i) &\mapsto (\mathcal{O}_X(D)(U_i) = f_i^{-1} \mathcal{O}_X \subseteq \mathcal{K}_X, s_D = 1) \\ &= \{f \in K(X) \mid \text{div}(f|_U) + D \geq 0\} \cup \{0\}, \end{aligned}$$

Prop  $(\mathcal{O}_X(-), s_D)$  is an isomorphism and induces an isomorphism

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \text{CaCl}(X) & \longrightarrow & \text{Pic}(X) \\ \uparrow \cong & & \\ \text{Cl}(X) & & \end{array}$$

Proof Inverse construction:

$$\text{div}(\mathcal{L}, s) := (U_i, \varphi_i(s))$$

for  $X = \bigcup U_i$ ,  $\varphi_i: \mathcal{L}|_{U_i} \cong \mathcal{O}_{U_i}$  a trivialization.

□

Example  $D = [0] - 2[\infty] \in \text{Div}(\mathbb{P}^1)$   $\mathbb{P}^1 = \text{Spec}(k[t]) \cup \text{Spec}(k[s])$   
 what is the corresponding Cartier divisor

$$[0] |_{\text{Spec}(k[t])} = \text{Spec}(k[t]/(t))$$

$$[\infty] |_{\text{Spec}(k[s])} = \text{Spec}(k[s]/(s))$$

$$[0] \leftrightarrow (U_0, t) (U_1, 1)$$

$$[\infty] \leftrightarrow (U_0, 1) (U_1, s)$$

$$\Rightarrow D = (U_0, t), (U_1, s^{-2})$$

$$\mathcal{O}_X(D) |_{U_0} = t k[t], \mathcal{O}_X(D) |_{U_1} = s^{-2} k[s]$$

$$\mathcal{O}_X(D) |_{U_0} = t k[t^{\pm 1}] \xrightarrow{\sim} \mathcal{O}_X(D) |_{U_1} = s^{-2} k[s^{\pm 1}]$$

$$f(t) \mapsto \frac{s^{-2}}{t} f(s^{-1}) = s^{-1} f(s^{-1})$$

$$t^{-1} g(t^{-1}) = \frac{t}{s^{-2}} g(t^{-1}) \longleftarrow g(s)$$

$$\begin{array}{ccccc} \{(1, s)\} / \sim & \cong & \Gamma(X, \mathcal{K}_X^* / \mathcal{O}_X^*) & \cong & \text{Div}(X) \\ \downarrow & \parallel & \downarrow & \parallel & \downarrow \\ \text{Pic}(X) & \cong & \text{CaCl}(X) & \cong & \text{Cl}(X) \end{array}$$

$\Rightarrow$  set of divisors linearly equivalent to  $D$   
 is  $\Gamma(X, \mathcal{O}_X(D)) - \{0\} / k^*$

[Hartshorne, II.7]

## Linear systems

Def The complete linear system at a divisor  $D$  is

$$|D| = \Gamma(X, \mathcal{O}_X(D)) \setminus \{0\} / k^\times \cong \mathbb{P}(\Gamma(X, \mathcal{O}_X(D)))$$

the set of divisors which are linearly equivalent to  $D$

A linear system at  $D$  is a linear subspace  $\delta \subseteq |D|$

A point  $p \in X$  is a base point for  $\delta \subseteq |D|$  if  $p \in \text{supp}(D')$   $\forall D' \in \delta$

## Maps to $\mathbb{P}^n$

$\mathcal{O}(1)$  is the line bundle on  $\mathbb{P}^n$  w/ global sections  $\Gamma(\mathbb{P}^n, \mathcal{O}(1)) = k[x_0, \dots, x_n]_1$   
homogeneous of deg 1  
linear forms

For all  $X \xrightarrow{\pi} \mathbb{P}^n$   $\pi^* \mathcal{O}(1)$  is a line bundle which is globally generated by  $\pi^* x_i$

conversely:

let  $(\mathcal{L}, s_0, \dots, s_n)$  line bundle w/ globally gen. sections on  $X$

$$\leadsto X \xrightarrow{\pi} \mathbb{P}^n$$

$$p \longmapsto [s_0(p), \dots, s_n(p)]$$

$$\text{s.t. } \pi^* \mathcal{O}(1) = \mathcal{L} \text{ and } \pi^* x_i = s_i$$

Thus

$$\{X \rightarrow \mathbb{P}^n\} = \left\{ (\mathcal{L}, s_0, \dots, s_n) \mid \begin{array}{l} \mathcal{L} \text{ line bundle on } X \\ s_0, \dots, s_n \text{ globally} \\ \text{generating sections} \end{array} \right\} / \cong$$

$$= \left\{ s_1, s_0, \dots, s_n \mid \begin{array}{l} s \text{ linear system solution} \\ s_i \text{ global minima} \end{array} \right\}$$