

## Curves of genus one

Lemma  $X$  is proper genus one

- 1)  $\omega_X \cong \mathcal{O}_X$
- 2)  $\deg(\mathcal{L}) > 0 \Rightarrow h^0(\mathcal{L}) = \deg(\mathcal{L})$
- 3)  $\deg(\mathcal{L}) = 1 \Rightarrow \exists q \in X(\mathbb{k}) : \mathcal{L} \cong \mathcal{O}_X(q)$
- 4)  $\deg(\mathcal{L}) \geq 2 \Rightarrow \mathcal{L}$  globally generated
- 5)  $\deg(\mathcal{L}) \geq 3 \Rightarrow \mathcal{L}$  very ample.

Pf By Riemann - Roch:

$$\begin{aligned} \deg(\omega_X) &= 0 \\ h^0(\omega_X) &= 1 \end{aligned} \quad \left. \right\} \Rightarrow \omega_X \cong \mathcal{O}_X$$

2), 4), 5) immediate special cases e.g.

$$h^0(\mathcal{L}) = 1 - g + \deg(\mathcal{L})$$

$$3) \deg(\mathcal{L}) = 1 = h^0(\mathcal{L})$$

$$\begin{aligned} \Rightarrow \mathcal{L} &\cong \mathcal{O}_X(\text{div}(s)) & s \in H^0(\mathcal{L}) \setminus \{0\} \\ &\cong \mathcal{O}_X(q) & \Rightarrow \text{div}(s) \text{ effective} \\ & & \text{degree one} \end{aligned}$$

□

Cor  $X$  is proper genus one curve /  $\mathbb{k} = \overline{\mathbb{k}}$

$$\mathcal{O}_X(-) : X(\mathbb{k}) \longrightarrow \text{Pic}^1(X) \quad q \mapsto \mathcal{O}_X(q)$$

Pf inj. by ex.sh. 4, surj. by lemma 3) □.

Def An elliptic curve /  $\mathbb{k}$  is a proper genus one curve  $E$  w/ a  $\mathbb{k}$ -point  $e \in E(\mathbb{k})$

Prop Let  $(E, e)$  be an elliptic curve.

Then  $E$  is isomorphic to a cubic curve

$$y^2z + a_1xyz + a_3yz^2 = x^3 - a_2xz^2 - a_4xz^2 - a_6z^3$$

where  $a_i \in k$ .

If  $\text{char}(k) \neq 2$ , then  $E$  is isomorphic to a cubic of the form

$$y^2z = x^3 - a_2xz^2 - a_4xz^2 - a_6z^3$$

If  $\text{char}(k) \neq 2, 3$ , then  $E$  is isomorphic to a cubic of the form

$$y^2z = x^3 - a_4xz^2 - a_6z^3$$

The isomorphism can be chosen s.t.  $e \mapsto [0:1:0]$

Proof We use embedding(s) given by the very ample line bundle  $\mathcal{O}_E(3e)$ :

$$i: E \hookrightarrow \mathbb{P}(H^0(\mathcal{O}_E(3e))) \cong \mathbb{P}^2$$

$$H^0(\mathcal{O}(e)) \subseteq H^0(\mathcal{O}(2e)) \subseteq H^0(\mathcal{O}(3e)) \subseteq H^0(\mathcal{O}(4e)) \subseteq H^0(\mathcal{O}(5e)) \subseteq H^0(\mathcal{O}(6e))$$

$\uparrow$        $1$        $x$        $y$        $x^2$        $xy$        $x^3, y^2$

$$\Rightarrow \underbrace{H^0(\mathcal{O}(6e)) / H^0(\mathcal{O}(5e))}_{1\text{-dimensional.}} = \text{span} \{ [x^3], [y^2] \}$$

$$\Rightarrow \exists u, v \in k^\times, a'_1, a'_2, a'_3, a'_4, a'_6 \in k \text{ s.t.}$$

$$uy^2 + a'_1xy + a'_3y = ux^3 - a'_2x^2 - a'_4x - a'_6$$

replace  $y$  by  $u^2vy$  and  $x$  by  $uvx$ :

$$u^4v^3y^2 + a''_1xy + a''_3y = u^4v^3x^3 - a''_2x^2 - a''_4x - a''_6$$

divide by  $u^4 v^3$ :

$$y^2 + a_1 xy + a_3 y = x^3 - a_2 x^2 - a_4 x - a_6$$

Specify  $i: E \hookrightarrow \mathbb{P}^2$  by the line bundle with globally generating sections  $(\mathcal{O}_E(3e), (x, y, 1))$  as chosen above.

$$E \subseteq \mathbb{V} \underbrace{(y^2 + a_1 xy + a_3 y^2 - x^3 - a_2 x^2 - a_4 x - a_6)}_{\text{integral.}}$$

$$\Rightarrow E \cong \mathbb{V}(-^n \text{---})$$

If  $\text{char}(k) \neq 2$ , can replace  $y$  by  $y - \frac{1}{2}(a_1 x + a_3)$

$$(y^2 + a_1 xy + a_3 y) = (y + \frac{1}{2}(a_1 x + a_3))^2 - (\frac{1}{2}(a_1 x + a_3))^2$$

$$\text{so that } y^2 = x^3 + \tilde{a}_2 x^2 + \tilde{a}_4 x + \tilde{a}_6$$

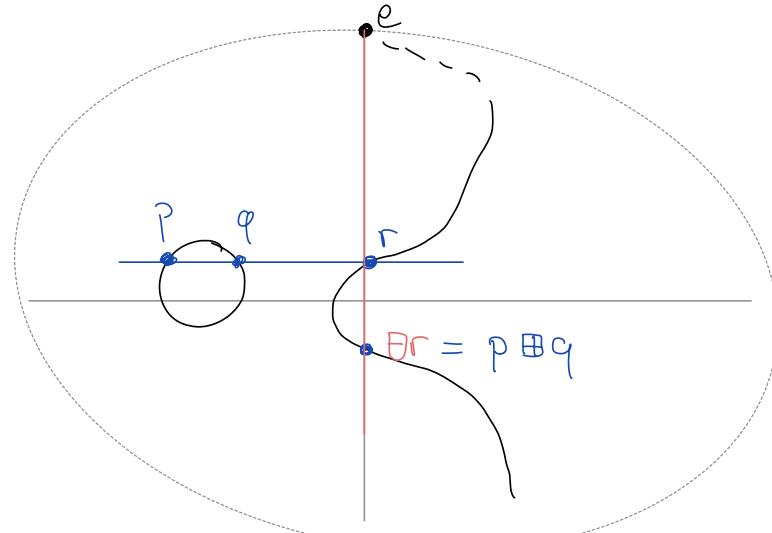
If  $\text{char}(k) \neq 2, 3$ , can replace  $x$  by  $x - \frac{1}{3}\tilde{a}_2$

$x$  has a pole of order 2 at  $e$   
 $y$  has a pole of order 3 at  $e$

$$\Rightarrow [x(e):y(e):1] = [\underbrace{\frac{x(e)}{y(e)}}_{\equiv 0} : 1 : \underbrace{\frac{1}{y(e)}}_{\equiv 0}] \quad \square$$

$$\text{Rmk } x \mapsto u^2 x, y \mapsto u^3 y$$

then get new Weierstrass eqn w/  
 coefficients  $u^{-i} a_i$



The group law:

let  $(E, e)$  be an elliptic curve.

We have a canonical bijection

$$\begin{array}{ccc} E(k) & \longrightarrow & \text{Pic}^1(E) \\ q \longmapsto & \mathcal{O}_X(q) & \longmapsto \mathcal{O}_X(q-e) \\ & & \mathcal{L}(e) \longleftarrow 1 \longleftarrow \mathcal{L} \end{array}$$

which endows  $E(k)$  with a group structure.

$$(E(k), \boxplus, e)$$

where  $\boxplus : E(k) \times E(k) \rightarrow E(k)$  can be

explicitly described by:  $\forall p, q, r \in E(k)$

$$p \boxplus q \boxplus r = \infty \Leftrightarrow \mathcal{O}(p+q+r) \cong \mathcal{O}(3e) = i^* \mathcal{O}(1)$$

$\Leftrightarrow p, q, r$  are the intersection pts  
of a line  $l \subset \mathbb{P}^2$  with  $E$   
in its Weierstrass embedding.

Since intersection points can be described  
explicitly as rational functions in the  
coordinates, can upgrade  $E$  to a  
group variety. We give a more abstract app.

## Jacobians

Def (degree 0 Picard functor)

$X$  ns proper curve over  $k = \bar{k}$

$T$  scheme over  $k$ .

$$\text{Pic}^0(X \times T) := \left\{ \mathcal{L} \in \text{Pic}(X \times T) \mid \forall t \in T \quad \mathcal{L}|_t \in \text{Pic}^0(X_t) \right\}$$

$$\text{pr}_T^*: \text{Pic}(T) \rightarrow \text{Pic}^0(X \times T)$$

b/c  $\text{pr}_T^*$  is trivial on each fibre.

$$\text{Pic}^0(X/T) := \text{Pic}^0(X \times T) / \text{pr}_T^* \text{Pic}(T)$$

$$\text{Pic}_X^0: \text{Sch}_k^{\text{op}} \rightarrow \text{Sets}$$

$$T \mapsto \text{Pic}^0(X/T)$$

$$f: T \rightarrow S \mapsto f^*: \text{Pic}(X/S) \rightarrow \text{Pic}(X/T)$$

Is the degree 0 Picard functor of  $X$

Def (Jacobian)

The Jacobian of a curve  $X$  is

a scheme  $\text{Jac}(X)$  together with

a "universal degree 0 line bundle

$\mathcal{U} \in \text{Pic}^0(X/\text{Jac}(X))$  s.t. for

any  $T \in \text{Sch}_k$ ,  $\mathcal{L}_T \in \text{Pic}^0(X/T)$  there  
is a <sup>unique</sup> morphism  $f: T \rightarrow \text{Jac}(X)$  s.t.

$$f^* \mathcal{U} = \mathcal{L}_T$$

Rank  $\text{Jac}(X)$  is unique if it exists

Theorem  $X$  is proj. curve  $/k$ .

then  $\text{Jac}(X)$  exists and is an abelian variety of dimension  $g(X)$ .

We will show existence and dimension only for  $X$  of genus one.

Reason that  $\text{Jac}(X)$  is a commutative group scheme:

Need to give a morphisms

$$\mu: \text{Jac}(X) \times \text{Jac}(X) \longrightarrow \text{Jac}(X)$$

$$\text{and } e: \text{pt} \longrightarrow \text{Jac}(X)$$

satisfying certain compatibility conditions.

for  $\mu$  can take the morphism corresponding to the line bundle,

$$\text{pr}_1^* \mathcal{U} \otimes \text{pr}_2^* \mathcal{U} \in \text{Pic}_X^0(\text{Jac}(X)^{\times 2})$$

for  $e$  can take morphism corresponding to  $\mathcal{O}_X \in \text{Pic}_X^0(\text{pt})$

Definition of inverse?

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Theorem Let  $(E, e)$  be an elliptic curve.

Then  $E$  together with the line bundle

$$\mathcal{U}_E := \bigoplus_{\Delta \in E} \mathcal{O}(1) \otimes \text{pr}_1^* \mathcal{O}_E(-e) \in \text{Pic}^0_{\bar{E}}(E)$$

is the Jacobian variety for  $E$ .

Pf later (need cohomology and base change)  
which is an extremely useful technical tool to know about.  $\square$

Cor If  $X$  is a genus one curve, then  $\text{Aut}(X) \curvearrowright X$  is transitive.

Pf pick  $e \in X(k)$  making  $X$  into a group scheme with identity  $e \in X$ .

$\forall x \in X(k)$   $\varphi : X \longrightarrow X$   
 $p \longmapsto xp$   
is an automorphism with  $\varphi(e) = x$   $\square$

## j-invariant

Suppose  $\text{char}(k) \neq 2$ .  $(E, e)$  elliptic curve / $k$  with Weierstrass form  $y^2 = x^3 + a_2 x^2 + a_4 x + a_6$

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \pi : E & \rightarrow & \mathbb{P}(\mathcal{H}^0(\mathcal{O}(2e))) \cong \mathbb{P}_{x,z}^1 \text{ hyperelliptic} \\ & \searrow & \uparrow \pi^1 \\ & & \mathbb{P}_{x,y,z}^2 \text{ Weierstrass} \\ & & \text{form} \end{array}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \pi(e) &= \pi^1([x(e) : y(e) : 1]) \\ &= \pi^1\left(\left[\frac{x(e)}{y(e)} : 1 : \frac{1}{y(e)}\right]\right) \\ &= \left[\frac{x(e)}{y(e)} : \frac{1}{y(e)}\right] = [1 : 0] = \infty \in \mathbb{P}^1 \end{aligned}$$

vanishes to higher order

$\Rightarrow \pi$  ramified at  $\infty$  and zeroes  $(x_i)$  of

$$x^3 + a_2 x^2 + a_4 x + a_6 = (x-a)(x-b)(x-c)$$

$\text{PGL}(2) \curvearrowright \mathbb{P}^2$  is three transitive: hidden choice of order

$$\text{replace } x \mapsto \frac{x-a}{b-a} : \text{wlog} \quad \stackrel{\text{hidden choice of order}}{=} x(x-1)(x-2)$$

$$\left| \frac{c-a}{b-a} \right|$$

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Corollary If  $\text{char}(k) \neq 2$

every elliptic curve is isomorphic

to a cubic of the form  $y^2 = x(x-1)(x-2)$

Lemma The elliptic curves

$$E_\lambda \quad y^2 = x(x-1)(x-\lambda) \quad \lambda \neq 0, 1$$

$$E_{\lambda'} \quad y^2 = x(x-1)(x-\lambda') \quad \lambda' \neq 0, 1$$

are isomorphic iff

$$\lambda' \in \left\{ \lambda, \frac{1}{\lambda}, 1-\lambda, \frac{1}{1-\lambda}, \frac{\lambda}{\lambda-1}, \frac{\lambda-1}{\lambda} \right\} = S_3 \cdot \lambda$$

Pf If  $E_\lambda \cong E_{\lambda'}$ , then  $\lambda' = \frac{c-a}{b-a}$

where  $a, b, c \in \{0, 1, \lambda\}$ , since they must be in the same linear system.

Similarly if  $\lambda' = \frac{c-a}{b-a}$  for  $a, b, c \in \{0, 1, \lambda\}$   
then the substitution yields an iso  $\square$

Def (j-invariant)

$$j(\lambda) := 2^8 \frac{(\lambda^2 - \lambda + 1)^3}{\lambda^2(\lambda - 1)^2}$$

Key point:

Prop: (1) Two elliptic curves are isomorphic iff their j-invariants are the same.

(2) For any  $j \in k$  there is an elliptic curve  $\mathcal{E}$  with  $j\text{-invariant} = j$

Proof (1) follows from

$$j(\lambda) = j(\lambda') \text{ iff } \lambda' \in S_3 \cdot \lambda$$

(2) solve equation

$$j = \frac{2^8 (\lambda^2 - \lambda + 1)}{\lambda^2 (\lambda - 1)^2}$$

for  $\lambda$ .

$$\Rightarrow j(E_\lambda) = j$$

□.

The involution  $[x:y:z] \mapsto [x:-y:z]$

restricts to  $E$  and commutes with  $\pi$

$\tau: E \rightarrow E$  "hyperelliptic involution"

$\downarrow \pi \downarrow$  corresponding to the

non-trivial element of the Galois extension

$$K(E)/K(\mathbb{P}^1)$$

Lemma Let  $X$  be a genus one

curve  $\pi_1, \pi_2: X \rightarrow \mathbb{P}^1$  deg. 2 map.

Then there are automorphisms

$\varphi \in \text{Aut}(X)$ ,  $\tau \in \mathbb{P}^1$  s.t.

$$X \xrightarrow{\varphi} X$$

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \pi_1 & \downarrow & \downarrow \pi_2 \\ \mathbb{P}^1 & \xrightarrow{\tau} & \mathbb{P}^1 \end{array}$$

commutes.

Pf let  $p_1 \in \text{Ran}(\pi_1)$ ,  $p_2 \in \text{Ran}(\pi_2)$   
choose  $\varphi \in \text{Aut}(X)$  s.t.  $\varphi(p_1) = p_2$   
Then both  $\pi_2 \circ \varphi$  and  $\pi_1$   
are ramified at  $p_1$  and correspond  
to map given by  $\mathcal{O}_X(2p_1)$   $\square$ .

Prop ( $E, e$ ) elliptic curve  
 $\text{Aut}(E, e)$  finite of order.

- 2 if  $j(E) \neq 0, 1728$
- 4 if  $j = 1728$   $\text{char}(k) \neq 3$
- 6 if  $j = 0$   $\text{char}(k) \neq 3$
- 12 if  $j = 0 (= 1728)$   $\text{char}(k) = 3$

Pf  $E = E_\lambda \xrightarrow{\pi} \mathbb{P}^1$   
 $\Rightarrow$  For any  $\varphi \in \text{Aut}(E, e)$   $\exists \tau \in \text{Aut}(\mathbb{P}^1)$   
s.t.  $\pi \circ \varphi = \tau \circ \pi$   
and  $\tau$  permutes  $\{0, 1, \infty\}$   
 $\Rightarrow |\text{Aut}(E, e)| \leq |\text{Aut}(\pi)| |S_3| = 12$

if  $\tau = \text{id} \Rightarrow \varphi = \text{id}$  or  $\text{id}$ .

if  $\tau \neq \text{id} \Rightarrow \lambda \in \left\{ \frac{1}{\lambda}, 1-\lambda, \frac{1}{1-\lambda}, \frac{\lambda}{\lambda-1}, \frac{\lambda-1}{\lambda} \right\}$   
rest is

"Elementary argument"

"Model of elliptic curves is DM"

$\square$