

1) Introduce 2 new equivalence relations between Divisors and the corresponding abelian groups

i) Linear $\rightsquigarrow$ $\text{Pic}(X)$

ii) Algebraic $\rightsquigarrow$ $\text{NS}(X)$

iii) Numerical $\rightsquigarrow$ $\text{Num}(X)$

2) Prove the Hodge Index Theorem ;

Let H be an ample divisor on a nonsingular projective surface X .

Let $D \in \text{Div}(X)$ and suppose that

i) $D \not\sim_{\text{num}} 0$

ii) $H \cdot D = 0$

Then $D^2 < 0$.

Equivalence relations between divisors

X = smooth quasi-projective variety over $\mathbb{K} = \overline{\mathbb{K}}$.

$K(X)$ = its field of rational functions

Recap:

- Prime divisor: a subvariety $D \subset X$ of codimension 1

- (Weil) divisor: $\sum_{\substack{D \subset X \\ \text{Prime divisor}}} a_D \cdot D, a_D \in \mathbb{Z}$

- $\text{Div}(X)$: free abelian group of divisors, Prime divisors as basis

- Group hom:

$$\begin{aligned} \text{div} : K(X)^* &\longrightarrow \text{Div}(X) \\ f &\longmapsto \sum_{\substack{D \subset X \\ \text{Prime}}} \text{ord}_D(f) \cdot D \end{aligned}$$

- Principal divisors: Im div

i) Linear equivalence $\sim$

- Divisors D_1, D_2 on X are linearly equivalent, $D_1 \sim D_2$, if $D_1 - D_2$ is a principal divisor i.e. $\exists f \in K^*(K)$:
$$\operatorname{div}(f) = D_1 - D_2$$

- Divisor class group:

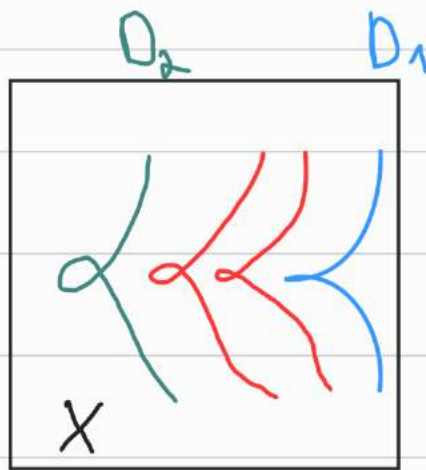
$$\operatorname{Div}(X)/\sim =: \operatorname{cl}(X) \cong \operatorname{Pic}(X)$$

- Example: $X = \mathbb{P}^n$, $H := \{x_0 = 0\}$, $f, g \in S_d$
 $\mapsto V(f) \sim V(g) \sim d \cdot H$

- $\operatorname{cl}(\mathbb{P}^n) \cong \mathbb{Z}$

ii) Algebraic equivalence $\sim_{\text{alg}}$

Idea:



We can deform
one divisor into
the other

- T irreducible variety, fix $t \in T$

$$\leadsto \begin{array}{ccc} i_t: X & \hookrightarrow & T \times X \\ x & \longmapsto & (t, x) \end{array}$$

- a divisor D on $T \times X$ s.t. $\text{Supp } D \not\supset X \times \{t\}$ $\forall t \in T$ $\leadsto i_t^*(D)$: pullback divisor on X .

Def: An algebraic family of divisors is
a map $f: T \rightarrow \text{Div}(X)$ s.t. there exist
 $D \in \text{Div}(T \times X)$ and $\text{Supp } D \not\supset X \times \{t\} \forall t \in T$

With :

- $i_t^*(D) \in \text{Div}(X) \quad \forall t \in T$
- $i_t^*(D) = f(t)$

Def: Two divisors D_1, D_2 on X are algebraically equivalent, $D_1 \sim_{\text{alg}} D_2$, if there exists an algebraic family of divisors $f: T \rightarrow \text{Div}(X)$ with two points $t_1, t_2 \in T$ such that

$$f(t_1) = D_1 \quad \text{and} \quad f(t_2) = D_2$$

Ex: show $\sim_{\text{alg}}$ is an equivalence relation and closed under addition in $\text{Div}(X)$.

Def: The group $\text{Div}(X) / \sim_{\text{alg}}$ is called the Neron-Severi group and is denoted by $NS(X)$.

Fact: Let X be a nonsingular projective variety, Then $NS(X)$ is a finitely generated abelian group.

• Linear equivalence $\implies$ Algebraic equivalence

Proof:

• Suffices to show for $D \sim O_{\text{div}} \iff D = \text{div}(g)$
 $g \in K^*(X)$

Let $g \in K^*(X) : D = \text{div}(g)$

Consider A^2 with coordinates u, v and

define $T := A^2 \setminus \{(0,0)\}$.

projections: $T \xleftarrow{\pi_T} T \times X \xrightarrow{\pi_X} X$

$\rightsquigarrow$ Pullbacks $\tilde{u} := \pi_T^*(u)$ are functions
 $\tilde{v} := \pi_T^*(v)$ on $T \times X$
 $\tilde{g} := \pi_X^*(g)$

Define $D := \text{div}(\tilde{u} + \tilde{g}\tilde{v})$ divisor on $T \times X$

$(u,v) \in T$ induces a family of algebraic divisors

$$f: T \longrightarrow \text{Div}(X)$$

$$(u,v) \longmapsto \text{div}(u + v \cdot g)$$

In particular, $f(0,1) = \text{div}(g)$

$$f(1,0) = O_{\text{div}}$$

$\rightsquigarrow$

$$O_{\text{div}} \sim_{\text{alg}} \text{div}(g) = D$$

Algebraic equivalence $\not\Rightarrow$ Linear equivalence

X smooth proj. curve with genus ≥ 1 , $p, q \in X$ points with $p \neq q$.

Claim: $p \sim_{\text{alg}} q$ but $p \not\sim q$.

Proof (By contradiction):

A divisor on X is of the form $\sum_{\substack{x_i \in X \\ \text{point}}} a_i x_i$ $a_i \in \mathbb{Z}$

The embedding $\Delta: X \hookrightarrow X \times X$
 $x \longmapsto (x, x)$

Δ is
a divisor
on $X \times X$

~~Any divisor $D \in \text{Div}(X)$ induces a trivial and~~
the algebraic family of divisors:

$$f: X \longrightarrow \text{Div}(X)$$

$$f(p) = p, f(q) = q$$

$$\leadsto p \sim_{\text{alg}} q$$

Assume however that $p \sim q$, i.e.

$$\exists f \in K^*(X) \text{ with } \text{div}(f) = p - q.$$

$\leadsto$ f has a simple zero in p

• f has a simple pole in q

• f doesn't have any other zeros

$$\leadsto f: U \longrightarrow \mathbb{A}^1 \quad \text{and} \quad U = X \setminus \{q\}$$

Recall that f admits an extension

$$\tilde{f}: X \longrightarrow \mathbb{P}^1 = \mathbb{A}^1 \cup \{\infty\}$$

such that

$$\bullet \quad [f] = [(\tilde{f}^{-1}(\mathbb{A}^1), \tilde{f}|_{\tilde{f}^{-1}(\mathbb{A}^1)})]$$

$\parallel$
 $X \setminus \tilde{f}^{-1}(\infty)$

In particular,

- $\tilde{f}^{-1}(0) = \{p\}$
- $\tilde{f}^{-1}(\infty) = \{q\}$
- every point in $\mathbb{P}^1$ has exactly one pre-image in X

$$\leadsto \tilde{f}: X \xrightarrow{\sim} \mathbb{P}^1 \text{ isomorphism.}$$

$$\leadsto \text{genus } X = 0 \quad \begin{matrix} \downarrow \\ \downarrow \end{matrix}$$

we conclude that $p \neq q$

Remark: X nonsingular projective Curve

$D_1, D_2 \in \text{Div}(X)$. Then

$$D_1 \sim_{\text{alg}} D_2 \iff \deg D_1 = \deg D_2$$

We saw that for all points $x, x' \in X$:

$$x \sim_{\text{alg}} x'$$

Let $D \in \text{Div}(X)$: $D = \sum_{x_i \in X} a_i \cdot x_i$, $\deg D := \sum_i a_i$

and $x_0 \in X$ a point. Then:

$$\bullet \quad x_i \sim_{\text{alg}} x \quad \forall i$$

$$\implies a_i x_i \sim_{\text{alg}} a_i x_0 \quad \forall i$$

$$\implies D \sim_{\text{alg}} \left(\sum_i a_i \right) \cdot x_0 = \deg D \cdot x_0$$

$$\implies D_1 \sim_{\text{alg}} D_2 \iff \deg D_1 = \deg D_2$$

Remark: $X = \mathbb{P}^{n_1} \times \dots \times \mathbb{P}^{n_k}$ then

$$\sim \iff \sim_{\text{alg}}$$

iii) Numerical equivalence $\sim_{\text{num}}$

$X = \text{Smooth projective surface}$

Def: Two divisors $D_1, D_2 \in \text{Div}(X)$ are numerically equivalent, $D_1 \sim_{\text{num}} D_2$, if

$$D_1 \cdot C = D_2 \cdot C \quad \forall C \in \text{Div}(X)$$

or equivalently if $D_1 - D_2 \sim_{\text{num}} 0_{\text{div}}$

Def: The divisor group of numerical equivalence classes is given by

$$\text{Num}(X) := \text{Div}(X) / \sim_{\text{num}}$$

Fact:

$$\text{Num}(X) \cong \text{NS}(X) / \text{NS}(X)^{\text{tor}} \cong \mathbb{Z}^p$$

$\text{NS}(X)^{\text{tor}} \subseteq \text{NS}(X)$ the torsion subgroup

p : Picard rank (number)

Ex: Algebraic equivalence $\Rightarrow$ Numerical equivalence
(Hartshorne 5.1.7)

Summary:

$X = \text{Smooth projective surface}$
with divisor group $\text{Div}(X)$

$$\sim \Rightarrow \widetilde{\text{alg}} \Rightarrow \widetilde{\text{num}}$$

yields

$$\text{Pic}(X) \twoheadrightarrow \text{NS}(X) \twoheadrightarrow \text{Num}(X)$$

II Hodge Index Theorem

$X =$ Smooth projective surface over $\mathbb{K} = \overline{\mathbb{K}}$

Recap: ample divisors

- Ample divisor: a divisor H such that $H^{\otimes m} (\mathcal{O}_X(H)^{\otimes m})$ is very ample for some $m \geq n$.

- Very ample divisor H on X gives a closed embedding $i_H: X \hookrightarrow \mathbb{P}^n$

Fact 1: $E, H \in \text{Div}(X) : H$ ample
 E effective and $E \not\sim_{\text{num}} 0$, Then

$$H \cdot E > 0$$

- Replace H with mH $m \gg 0$ to get $i: X \hookrightarrow \mathbb{P}^n$

• General element $C \in |H| := \{0 \leq D \in \text{Div}(X) : D \sim H\}$ having no common irreducible components with E

• $C = X \cap \text{hyperplane}$

• $E \cap C = E \cap \text{hyperplane} \neq \emptyset$
↑
(E, C share no irred. components)

$$\implies C \cdot E > 0$$

Remark: H ample. For every effective divisor E , the number $H \cdot E$ plays a similar role to the degree of a divisor on a curve

Fact 2: $X = \text{nonsingular projective variety}$
Over $\mathbb{K} = \overline{\mathbb{K}}$, $D \in \text{Div}(X)$. Then each non-zero global section $s \in H^0(X, \mathcal{O}_X(D))$ induces an effective divisor E on X s.t.

$$E \sim D$$

(Hartshorne 2.7.1)

Lemma: Let X be a nonsingular projective surface, H an ample divisor on X . Then there exists an $n \in \mathbb{Z}$ such that for any $D \in \text{Div}(X)$

$$D \cdot H > n \Rightarrow H^2(X, \mathcal{O}_X(D)) = 0$$

Proof: (By contraposition)

Recall

- Ω_X cotangent bundle
- $\omega_X := \wedge^2 \Omega_X$ Canonical bundle
- K_X canonical divisor, $\mathcal{O}_X(K_X) \simeq \omega_X$

$$\dim H^0(X, \mathcal{O}_X(K_X - D)) =$$

$$= \dim H^0(X, \mathcal{O}_X(D)^\vee \otimes \mathcal{O}_X(K_X))$$

$$= \dim H^0(X, \mathcal{O}_X(D)^\vee \otimes \omega_X)$$

serre
duality $\rightarrow \dim H^2(X, \mathcal{O}_X(D))$

Assume $\dim H^0(X, \mathcal{O}_X(K_X - D)) > 0$

Fact 2 implies

$$K_X - D \sim E, \quad E \geq 0 \text{ (i.e. effective)}$$

Fact 1, and since the intersection product only depends on the linear class, imply

$$\bullet (K_X - D) \cdot H > 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \bullet K_X \cdot H > D \cdot H$$

Define $n := K_X \cdot H$. This implies

$$\bullet \exists n \in \mathbb{Z} \text{ s.t.}$$

$$\dim H^0(X, \mathcal{O}_X(D)) > 0 \Rightarrow D \cdot H < n$$

The Lemma follows by Contradiction

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Remark: There is an analogous statement in Case X is a curve. There exists an integer $n := 2g - 2$, g genus of X such that any divisor D with $\deg D > n \Rightarrow H^1(X, \mathcal{O}_X(D)) = 0$.

Corollary: Let X be a nonsingular surface, H ample divisor on X . Let D be a divisor on X such that

$$i) D \cdot H > 0$$

$$ii) D^2 > 0$$

Then there exists an $n_0 \in \mathbb{N}$ such that

nD is linearly equivalent to an effective divisor for all $n > n_0$.

Proof: (Apply Riemann-Roch to nD)

Recall that for

$$l(D) := \dim H^0(X, \mathcal{O}_X(D))$$

$$s(D) := \dim H^1(X, \mathcal{O}_X(D))$$

$$\chi(\mathcal{O}_X) := \sum_i (-1)^i \dim H^i(\mathcal{O}_X, \mathcal{O}_X(D)) \quad \text{Euler char.}$$

$$p_a^X := \chi(\mathcal{O}_X) - 1 \quad \text{arith. genus}$$

the Riemann-Roch theorem yields

$$l(D) - s(D) + l(K_X - D) = \frac{1}{2} D \cdot (D - K_X) + 1 + \rho_a^X$$

From the Lemma $\exists n_0 \in \mathbb{Z}$ s.t.

$$nD \cdot H > n_0 \Rightarrow H^2(X, \mathcal{O}(nD)) = 0$$

$$\stackrel{\text{Serre duality}}{\hookrightarrow} l(K_X - nD) = 0 \quad *$$

Since $D \cdot H > 0$ per construction, choose n big enough such that $*$ holds.

Riemann-Roch for nD gives

$$l(nD) - s(nD) + l(K_X - D) = \frac{1}{2} nD \cdot (nD - K_X) + 1 + \rho_a^X$$

• $s(nD) \geq 0$ and $l(K_X - D) = 0$ yields

$$l(nD) \geq \frac{1}{2} n^2 D^2 - \frac{1}{2} nD \cdot K_X + 1 + \rho_a^X$$

Per construction $D^2 > 0$. This implies RHS becomes large for $n \gg 0$. Hence

$$l(nD) \xrightarrow{n \rightarrow \infty} \infty$$

In particular, $H^0(X, \mathcal{O}_X(nD)) \neq 0$. From Fact 2 we conclude that nD is linearly equivalent to an effective divisor.

□

Theorem (Hodge Index):

Let H be an ample divisor on a nonsingular projective surface X .

Let $D \in \text{Div}(X)$ and suppose that

i) $D \not\sim_{\text{num}} 0$

ii) $H \cdot D = 0$

Then $D^2 < 0$.

Proof: (By contradiction and using the corollary)

Given the above setup assume $D^2 \geq 0$

$\leadsto$ 2 cases: $D^2 > 0$ $D^2 = 0$

case 1: $D^2 > 0$

Define a divisor $H' := D + nH$, $n \in \mathbb{Z}$ to be determined later. In the proof of the intersection theorem (uniqueness part) we saw $\exists n \in \mathbb{N}$ s.t. H' is very ample. For all schemes over a Noetherian ring and in particular for schemes over a field this implies H' is ample

We compute:

$$D.H' = D.(D + nH)$$

$$= D^2 + nD.H$$

$$\begin{array}{c} D.H = 0 \\ \text{per construction} \end{array} \quad \begin{array}{c} \curvearrowright \\ = \end{array} \quad D^2 \quad \begin{array}{c} > 0 \\ \uparrow \\ \text{per assumption} \end{array}$$

Applying the corollary on H' , D implies

$$mD \geq 0 \quad (\text{effective divisor})$$

for large enough m

From Fact 1 it follows :

$$mD.H > 0$$

$$\Rightarrow D.H > 0 \quad \downarrow$$

($D.H = 0$ per construction)

Case 2: $D^2 = 0$

strategy: define $D' \in \text{Div}(X)$ s.t.

i) $D'.H = 0$

ii) $D'^2 > 0$

Then use the same argument as in Case 1 to construct a contradiction to $D'.H > 0$.

• Per construction $D \not\sim_{\text{num}} 0$, i.e. there exists

$$E \in \text{Div}(X) : D.E \neq 0$$

WLOG > 0

• Define $E' := (H^2)E - (E.H)H$. Then

i) $E'.H = (H^2)E.H - (E.H)H^2$
 $= 0$

ii) $E'.D = (H^2)E.D - (E.H)(H.D)$

$$= (H^2)E.D > 0$$

$H.D = 0$
per constr

↑
self intersection of ample divisor on surface is > 0

Define a divisor $D' := nD + E'$.

$$\implies D' \cdot H = (nD + E') \cdot H$$

$$= nD \cdot H + E' \cdot H$$

$$= 0$$

$D \cdot H = 0$ per construction

$$E' \cdot H = 0 \quad (i)$$

$$\bullet \quad D'^2 = (nD + E') \cdot (nD + E')$$

$$= n^2 D^2 + 2n(D \cdot E') + (E')^2$$

$$D^2 = 0 \text{ per assumption.} \implies 2nD \cdot E' + (E')^2$$

Since $D \cdot E' \neq 0$ choose $n \in \mathbb{Z}$ s.t

$$2n(D \cdot E') + (E')^2 > 0$$

$$\implies D'^2 > 0$$

Thus . $D'_{\text{hvm}} \neq 0$

- $D'.H = 0$

- $D'^2 > 0$

Using the same argument as in case 1
we also reach a contradiction

$$D'.H > 0 \quad \downarrow$$

We conclude that $D'^2 < 0$

□

Remark (Why is it called the Index theorem):

Consider the intersection product

$$\text{Pic}(X) \times \text{Pic}(X) \longrightarrow \mathbb{Z}$$

Notice that degeneracy is possible
i.e. $C \in \text{Div}(X)$:

- $C \neq 0_{\text{div}}$
- $C \cdot D = 0 \quad \forall D \in \text{Div}(X)$,

$$\begin{array}{l} \text{Per Def.} \\ \implies \end{array} \quad C \approx_{\text{num}} 0_{\text{div}}$$

Hence, the intersection product induces
a nondegenerate symmetric bilinear form
on $\text{Num}(X)$.

$$\text{Recall} \quad \text{Num}(X) \cong \mathbb{Z}^p \quad p = \text{Picard rank}$$

Nondegenerate sym. bil. form:

$$\begin{array}{c} \text{--- } (\otimes) \mathbb{R} \\ \nearrow \\ \text{Num}(x) \times \text{Num}(x) \longrightarrow \mathbb{Z} \\ \searrow \\ \mathbb{R}^p \times \mathbb{R}^p \longrightarrow \mathbb{R} \end{array}$$

Recall that, over $\mathbb{R}$, such a form can be diagonalized $\rightsquigarrow$

$$\begin{bmatrix} \pm 1 & & \\ & \ddots & \\ & & \pm 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

The number $(\# + 1 - (\# - 1))$ is called the signature or index of the bilinear form.

In our case, the diagonalized form has one $+1$ corresponding to a real multiple of H and all the rest are -1 ,

$$r \cdot H \leftarrow \begin{bmatrix} 1 & & \\ & -1 & \\ & & \ddots \\ & & & -1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Example: Recall the quadric surface

$$X \subseteq \mathbb{P}^3$$

$$\mathbb{P}^1 \times \mathbb{P}^1 \longrightarrow \mathbb{P}^3 \text{ coordinates } x_0, x_1, x_2, x_3$$

$$[w:x] \times [y:z] \longmapsto [wy: wz: xy: xz]$$

$$X := V(x_0x_3 - x_1x_2) \subseteq \mathbb{P}^3$$

with $\text{Pic}(X) \simeq \mathbb{Z} \oplus \mathbb{Z}$ and the intersection

product

$$\text{Pic}(X) \times \text{Pic}(X) \longrightarrow \mathbb{Z}$$

$$(a, b) \times (a', b') \longmapsto ab' + ba'$$

• Recall that on $\mathbb{P}^n \times \mathbb{P}^m \sim \Leftrightarrow \sim_{\text{alg}}$

and for $D \in \text{Div}(X)$: $D \sim D_{\text{div}} \Leftrightarrow D \sim_{\text{num}} D_{\text{div}}$

$$\Rightarrow \text{Pic}(X) \simeq \text{NS}(X) \simeq \text{Num}(X)$$

- Recall that for $H \in \text{Div}(X)$:

$$\mathcal{O}_X(H) \simeq \mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}^1 \times \mathbb{P}^1}(a, b)$$

We say that H is of type (a, b)

- $a, b \geq 1 \Rightarrow H$ is (very) ample

Let

- $H \in \text{Div}(X)$ be of type $(1, 1) \rightsquigarrow H$ ample

- $D \in \text{Div}(X)$ be of type $(1, -1)$.

$$\rightsquigarrow \cdot D \not\sim_{\text{num}} \mathcal{O}_{\text{div}}$$

$$\cdot D \cdot H = (1, -1) \cdot (1, 1) = -1 + 1 = 0$$

$$\text{Hodge Index theorem} \Rightarrow D^2 < 0$$

$$\text{Indeed, } D^2 = (1, -1) \cdot (1, -1) = -1 - 1 = -2.$$

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 & P_{ic}(x) \times P_{ic}(x) & \longrightarrow \mathbb{Z} \\
 & (a, b) \times (a', b') & \longmapsto ab' + ba' \\
 \text{--- } \textcircled{\otimes} \mathbb{R} & \searrow & \\
 & \mathbb{R}^2 \times \mathbb{R}^2 & \longrightarrow \mathbb{R}
 \end{array}$$

With respect $\rightsquigarrow$ is represented by $\begin{bmatrix} 2 & 0 \\ 0 & -2 \end{bmatrix}$ to basis H, D

Using the basis $\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}H, \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}D$ we can diagonalize to

$$\rightsquigarrow \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}H \quad \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$$