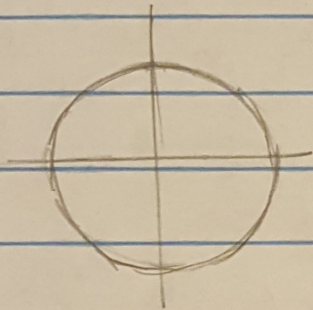


Theorem of the CubeCrash course in Line Bundles

$$f: \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^1$$

$$(x, y) \mapsto x^2 + y^2 - 1$$

Consider  $S = \{x \mid f(x) = 0\} \subseteq \mathbb{R}^2$

Then  $S$  is a closed submanifold.

Q. Do all submanifolds arise in this way?

Example:  $X = \mathbb{P}^n(\mathbb{C})$

The answer here is no!

(Because any  $f: X \rightarrow \mathbb{C}^1$  is constant).

Example:  $X = \mathbb{P}^1_{\mathbb{C}}$ ,  $\mathcal{O}_X$  = structure sheaf on  $X$

$$X = U_0 \cup U_1, \quad \text{on } U_0 \cap U_1, \quad t = s^{-1}$$

$$\begin{matrix} \text{"} \\ (A, t) & (A, s) \end{matrix}$$

What is a global section of  $\mathcal{O}_X$ ?

$$\mathcal{O}_X(U_0) = k[t], \quad \mathcal{O}_X(U_1) = k[s].$$

So, given  $f(t) \in k[t]$ ,  $g(s) \in k[s]$ ,  
these glue to a global function iff  $f(t) = g(1/t)$ .

Since these are polynomials,  $f$  and  $g$  must be constants.

Defn: A line bundle  $L$  on  $X$  (any scheme) is a locally free  $\mathcal{O}_X$ -module of rank 1.

ie. There exists an open cover  $\{U_i\}$  of  $X$  along with an isomorphism  $\varphi_i: L|_{U_i} \xrightarrow{\sim} \mathcal{O}_{X|U_i}$ .

Exercise: (Alternative definition)

A line bundle on  $X$  is equivalent to the following data:

- an open cover  $\{U_i\}$  of  $X$
- transition maps  $\tau_{ij} \in GL_1(\mathcal{O}_X(U_i \cap U_j))$  satisfying  $\tau_{ij}\tau_{jk} = \tau_{ik}$  for all  $i, j, k \in I$  and  $\tau_{ii} = \text{id}$ .

Example: On  $X = \mathbb{P}_k^n$ , we have line bundles  $\mathcal{O}(d) \forall d \in \mathbb{Z}$ .

$\mathcal{O}(d)$  is given by

- $\{U_i\}$  open cover by  $U_i \cong \mathbb{A}^n$
- $\tau_{ij}$  is given by multiplication by  $(\frac{x_i}{x_j})^d$ .

Exercise:  $H^0(X, \mathcal{O}(d))$  (ie.  $\Gamma(X, \mathcal{O}(d))$ )

=  $k$ -vector space spanned by degree  $d$  homogeneous polynomials in  $k[x_0, \dots, x_n]$ .

Exercise: All line bundles on  $\mathbb{P}^n$  are isomorphic to some  $\mathcal{O}(d)$ .

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We say a line bundle  $\mathcal{L}$  on  $X$  is trivial if  $\mathcal{L} \cong \mathcal{O}_X$ .

Given  $\mathcal{L}_1$  and  $\mathcal{L}_2$  line bundles on  $X$ , we can create a new line bundle

$$\mathcal{L} = \mathcal{L}_1 \otimes \mathcal{L}_2.$$

So line bundles on  $X$  with  $\otimes$  up to isomorphism form a group, denoted  $\text{Pic}(X)$ :

- Identity:  $\mathcal{O}_X$
- Inverses:  $\mathcal{L}^{-1} = \text{Hom}(\mathcal{L}, \mathcal{O}_X)$ .

Example: On  $\mathbb{P}^n_k$ ,  $\mathcal{O}(d_1) \otimes \mathcal{O}(d_2) \cong \mathcal{O}(d_1 + d_2)$ .

Thus

$$\text{Pic}(\mathbb{P}^n_k) \cong \mathbb{Z}.$$

Fact: If  $f: X \rightarrow Y$ , then given  $\mathcal{L}$  on  $Y$  we can pull back to a line bundle  $f^*\mathcal{L}$  on  $X$  (defn omitted).

We also know  $f^*$  commutes with  $\otimes$ , so in fact (as  $f^*\mathcal{O}_Y = \mathcal{O}_X$ ) we get a homomorphism  $f^*: \text{Pic}(Y) \rightarrow \text{Pic}(X)$ .

## Relation to (Weil) Divisors

Let  $X$  be a normal variety.

This means the stalks of the structure sheaf are integrally closed.  
It's just a technical condition that allows us to write down some facts about principal bundles.

Call  $Z \subseteq X$  a closed subvariety of codimension 1 a prime divisor.

A divisor on  $X$  is a formal sum

$$D = \sum n_z \cdot Z \quad \text{of prime divisors.}$$

Let  $K = K(X)$  be the function field of  $X$  (that is, the set of rational maps  $f: X \dashrightarrow \mathbb{A}^1$ ).

Given  $f \in K^\times$ , we can define

$$\operatorname{div}(f) := \sum_{Z \subseteq X} v_Z(f) \cdot Z$$

Given  $D \in \operatorname{Div}(X)$ , we can define a line bundle  $\mathcal{L}(D)$  on  $X$   
via

$$\mathcal{L}(D)(U) = \left\{ f \in K^\times \mid (D + \operatorname{div}(f))|_U \geq 0 \right\} \cup \{0\}.$$

where

$$D|_U = \sum_{Z \cap U \neq \emptyset} n_Z \cdot (Z \cap U).$$

Proposition: The map

$$\mathcal{C}(X) := \frac{\text{Div}(X)}{\text{Princ}(X)} \xrightarrow{h(\cdot)} \text{Pic}(X)$$

is an isomorphism.

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### Theorem of the Cube

Let  $U, V, W$  be complete varieties.

If  $\mathcal{L}$  is a line bundle on  $U \times V \times W$  such that

$$\mathcal{L}|_{\{u\} \times V \times W}, \mathcal{L}|_{U \times \{v\} \times W}, \text{ and } \mathcal{L}|_{U \times V \times \{w\}}$$

are all trivial, then  $\mathcal{L}$  is trivial.

Corollary 5.2: Let  $A$  be an abelian variety.

Let  $p_i: A \times A \times A \rightarrow A$  be projection onto the  $i$ th coordinate,

$$p_{12} = p_1 + p_2 \text{ and } p_{123} = p_1 + p_2 + p_3 \text{ (so } p_{12}(x, y, z) = x + y, \text{ etc.)}$$

Then, for any  $\mathcal{L}$  on  $A$ , the line bundle

$$\mathcal{M} = p_{123}^* \mathcal{L} \otimes p_{12}^* \mathcal{L}^{-1} \otimes p_{13}^* \mathcal{L}^{-1} \otimes p_{23}^* \mathcal{L}^{-1} \otimes p_1^* \mathcal{L} \otimes p_2^* \mathcal{L} \otimes p_3^* \mathcal{L}$$

is trivial.

Pf: Let  $m: A \times A \rightarrow A$  be the gp operation, and  $p, q$  the projections  $A \times A \rightarrow A$ .

Let  $\varphi: A \times A \rightarrow A \times A \times A$ ,  $(x, y) \mapsto (x, y, 0)$ .

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Then } p_{123} \circ \varphi &= m, & p_{12} \circ \varphi &= m, & p_{23} \circ \varphi &= q, & p_{13} \circ \varphi &= p, \\ p_1 \circ \varphi &= p, & p_2 \circ \varphi &= q, & p_3 \circ \varphi &= 0. \end{aligned}$$

Hence the restriction of  $\mathcal{M}$  to  $A \times A \times \{0\} (\cong A \times A)$  is

$$m^* \mathcal{L} \otimes m^* \mathcal{L}^{-1} \otimes q^* \mathcal{L}^{-1} \otimes p^* \mathcal{L}^{-1} \otimes p^* \mathcal{L} \otimes q^* \mathcal{L} \otimes \mathcal{O}_{A \times A}.$$

This is trivial, since pullback commutes with tensor product.

Replacing  $\mathcal{Y}$  with embeddings into different pairs of coordinates, we see  $\mathcal{M}$  restricts to a trivial bundle on  $A \times \{0\} \times A$  and  $\{0\} \times A \times A$ .

Thus, by Theorem of the Cube,  $\mathcal{M}$  is trivial.  $\square$

Corollary 5.3: Let  $f, g, h: V \rightarrow A$ ,  $A$  an abelian variety.

Then for any  $\mathcal{L}$  on  $A$ , the bundle

$$\mathcal{M} = (f+g+h)^* \mathcal{L} \otimes (f+g)^* \mathcal{L}^{-1} \otimes (f+h)^* \mathcal{L}^{-1} \otimes (g+h)^* \mathcal{L}^{-1} \\ \otimes f^* \mathcal{L} \otimes g^* \mathcal{L} \otimes h^* \mathcal{L}$$

is trivial.

Pf:  $\mathcal{M}$  is the pullback of the line bundle of Corollary 5.2 by the map

$$(f, g, h): V \rightarrow A \times A \times A. \quad \square$$

On  $a$  we have  $n_A: A \rightarrow A$  by  $n_A(a) = \underbrace{a + \dots + a}_n$ ,  $n \in \mathbb{Z}$ .

Note:  $2_A: A \xrightarrow{\Delta} A \times A \xrightarrow{m} A$ , and the rest can be defined inductively.

Thus  $n_A$  are rational maps.

Corollary 5.4: For  $L$  on  $A$ ,  $n_A^* L \cong L^{(n+1)/2} \otimes (-1)_A^* L^{(n-1)/2}$

In particular, if  $(-1)_A^* L \cong L$  (symmetric), then  $n_A^* L \cong L^n$ .  
 If  $(-1)_A^* L \cong L^{-1}$  (antisymmetric), then  $n_A^* L \cong L^n$ .

Proof: Use Corollary 5.3 with  $f = n_A$ ,  $g = 1_A$ ,  $h = (-1)_A$ .  
 So the bundle

$$n_A^* L \otimes (n+1)_A^* L^{-1} \otimes (n-1)_A^* L^{-1} \otimes n_A^* L \otimes L \otimes (-1)_A^* L$$

is trivial; i.e.

$$(n+1)_A^* L \cong n_A^* L^2 \otimes (n-1)_A^* L^{-1} \otimes L \otimes (-1)_A^* L. \quad (+)$$

We proceed by induction:

- $n=1$  is good in statement<sup>+</sup>
- Plugging in  $n=1$  to (+), we get

$$2_A^* L \cong L^2 \otimes L \otimes (-1)_A^* L \cong L^3 \otimes (-1)_A^* L.$$

Then induct on  $n$  in (+). ◻

### Theorem of the Square (5.5)

Let  $L$  be an invertible sheaf (line bundle) on  $A$ . Let  $t_a: A \rightarrow A$  be translation by  $a \in A(k)$ .

Then

$$t_{a+b}^* L \otimes L \cong t_a^* L \otimes t_b^* L.$$

Proof: Use Corollary 5.3 with  $f = \text{id}$ ,  $g(x) = a$ ,  $h(x) = b$  to

get

$$t_{a+b}^* L \otimes t_a^* L^{-1} \otimes t_b^* L^{-1} \otimes L \quad \text{is trivial.}$$

This follows since  $g, h$  are constant and thus pull back trivially.  $\square$

Remark: Apply  $\otimes L^{-2}$  to the above equation to get

$$t_{a+b}^* L \otimes L^{-1} \simeq (t_a^* L \otimes L^{-1}) \otimes (t_b^* L \otimes L^{-1})$$

This gives a group homomorphism

$$A(k) \longrightarrow \text{Pic}(A)$$

$$a \longmapsto t_a^* L \otimes L^{-1} \quad \text{for any } L \in \text{Pic}(A).$$