

Last time.

- A linear system (V, D) on a compact Riemann surface X yields a closed embedding

$$X \hookrightarrow \mathbb{P}^n$$

iff it separates points and separates tangent vectors.

Let us take $V = H^0(X, D)$. "complete linear system."

We have an inclusion

$$i_p: H^0(X, D-p) \hookrightarrow H^0(X, D)$$

$$\downarrow f$$

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$$(f) + D - p \longmapsto (f) + D$$

$$E \longmapsto E + p.$$

So image of $i_p =$ sections of $H^0(X, D)$ vanishing at p .
 p is a base point of (V, D) iff i_p is surj.
not a base point \iff iff i_p is not a surj.

Note: What is $\text{coker}(i_p)$?

$$\text{Say } D = D' + n \cdot p$$

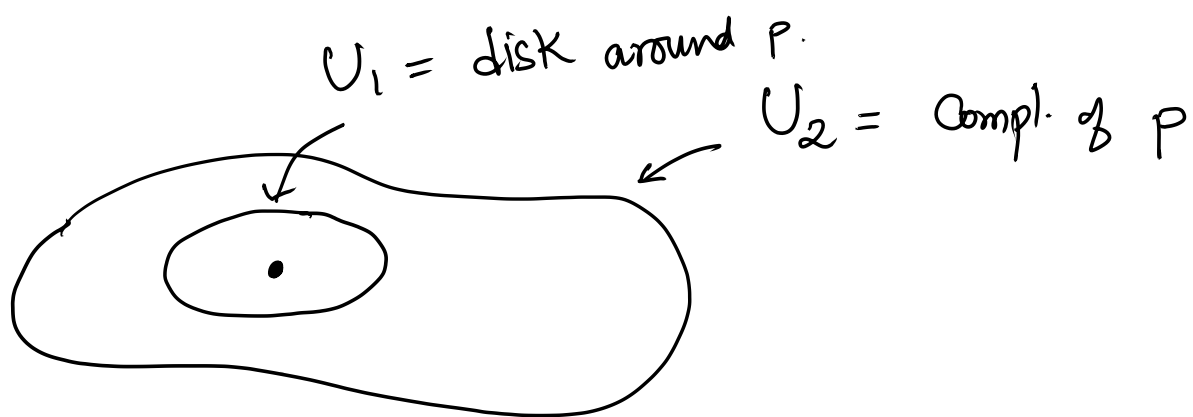
$$0 \rightarrow H^0(X, D-p) \rightarrow H^0(X, D) \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$$

$$f \longmapsto \text{coeff of } t^{-n} \text{ in local expansion of } f \text{ at } p.$$

In fact the above arises from

$$0 \rightarrow \mathcal{O}(D-p) \xrightarrow{i_p} \mathcal{O}(D) \rightarrow \mathcal{O}_p \rightarrow 0$$

Let us also interpret i_p in terms of line bundles.



$$\mathcal{O}(D) : \quad \mathbb{C} \times U_1 \quad \mathbb{C} \times U_2$$

$$(t, u) \longleftrightarrow (1, u)$$

$$\mathcal{O}(D-p) : \quad \mathbb{C} \times U_1 \quad \mathbb{C} \times U_2$$

$$(t^{n-1}, u) \longleftrightarrow (1, u)$$

$$\mathcal{L}_{D-p} \xrightarrow{i_p} \mathcal{L}_p \quad \begin{array}{l} \text{identity on } U_2 \\ \text{mult}^{\text{d}} \text{ by } t \text{ on } U_1. \end{array}$$

So $(i_p \sigma) = (\sigma) + p$ as expected.

Upshot $V = H^0(X, D)$ is base-point free iff

$$\dim H^0(X, D-p) = \dim H^0(X, D) - 1.$$

Let $p, q \in X$. When does V separate p & q ?

$$0 \rightarrow \mathcal{O}(D-p-q) \rightarrow \mathcal{O}(D) \rightarrow \mathbb{C}_p \oplus \mathbb{C}_q \rightarrow 0$$

$$0 \rightarrow H^0(X, D-p-q) \rightarrow H^0(X, D) \xrightarrow{\pi} \mathbb{C}^2$$

Separates pts $\Leftrightarrow (1,0)$ & $(0,1)$ lie in the image of π
 $\Leftrightarrow \pi$ is surjective.

$$\Leftrightarrow h^0(X, \mathcal{D}-p-q) = h^0(X, \mathcal{D}) - 2.$$

Notice:

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc} \dots & \subset & H^0(X, \mathcal{D}-p_1-p_2) & \subset & H^0(X, \mathcal{D}-p_1) & \subset & H^0(X, \mathcal{D}) \\ & \swarrow & \searrow & \swarrow & \searrow & \swarrow & \searrow \\ & \leq 1 & & \leq 1 & & \leq 1 & \text{dim} \end{array}$$

so $\dim H^0(X, \mathcal{D}-p_1-\dots-p_n) \geq \dim H^0(X, \mathcal{D}) - n$
 & if equality holds then

$$\dim H^0(X, \mathcal{D}-p_1-\dots-p_i) = \dim H^0(X, \mathcal{D}-p_1-\dots-p_{i-1}) - 1$$

So if $h^0(X, \mathcal{D}-p-q) = h^0(X, \mathcal{D}) - 2$
 $\forall p, q \in X$ then $h^0(X, \mathcal{D}-p) = h^0(X, \mathcal{D}) - 1$
 $\forall p \in X.$

Separates tangent vectors.

$$0 \rightarrow \mathcal{O}(\mathcal{D}-2p) \rightarrow \mathcal{O}(\mathcal{D}) \xrightarrow{\pi} \mathbb{C}_{2p} \cong \mathbb{C}_p^2 \rightarrow 0$$

$f \mapsto \text{coeff of } \underline{t^{-n}} \text{ \& } \underline{t^{-n+1}}$

$$0 \rightarrow H^0(X, \mathcal{D}-2p) \rightarrow H^0(X, \mathcal{O}(\mathcal{D})) \xrightarrow{\pi} \mathbb{C}^2$$

$$\begin{array}{l} \text{Sep tang vec} \Leftrightarrow (0,1) \in \text{Im } \pi \\ \text{No. bp.} \Leftrightarrow (1,0) \in \text{Im } \pi. \end{array}$$

so No bp + sep tan vec $\Leftrightarrow \pi$ surj

$$\Leftrightarrow h^0(X, \mathcal{D}-2p) = h^0(X, \mathcal{D}) - 2.$$

Conclusion: $(V = H^0(X, \mathcal{D}), \mathcal{D})$ yields an embedding iff

$$h^0(X, \mathcal{D} - p - q) = h^0(X, \mathcal{D}) - 2$$

$\forall p, q \in X$, including $p = q$.

Example: $X = \mathbb{P}^1$, $V = H^0(X, \mathcal{O}(d)) = H^0(X, \mathcal{O}(d-p))$

$$h^0(X, \mathcal{O}(d)) = d+1$$

$$h^0(X, \mathcal{O}(d-p-p_1-p_2)) = h^0(X, \mathcal{O}(d-2)) = d-1$$

so V gives an embedding

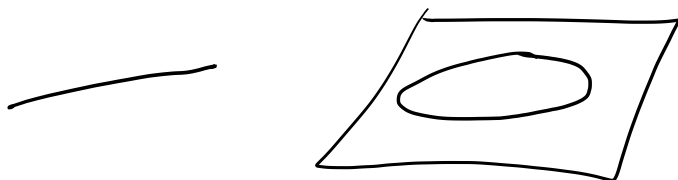
$$\mathbb{P}^1 \hookrightarrow \mathbb{P}^d$$

Concretely.

$$x \mapsto [1 : x : x^2 : \dots : x^d]$$

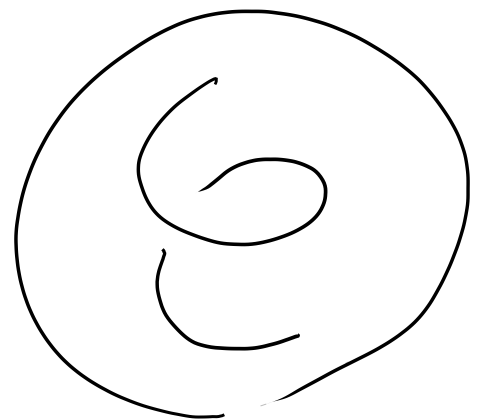
$$[x : y] \mapsto [y^d : y^{d-1}x : \dots : x^d]$$

"Rational normal curves"



Line

plane conic



twisted cubic

Luckily, we knew $h^0(X, D)$ for any D on $X = \mathbb{P}^1$

Thm (Riemann-Roch).

Let X be a compact Riemann surface of genus g , and D a divisor of degree d on X .

Then
$$h^0(X, D) = d - g + 1 + h^0(X, K - D).$$

K = canonical divisor (class) of X
(Has degree $2g - 2$.)

Rem: $\deg(K - D) = 2g - 2 - d.$

So if $d > 2g - 2$, then $H^0(X, K - D) = 0.$

so $h^0(X, D) = d - g + 1.$

Conseq: Thm - Let X be a compact R.S. of genus g and D a divisor on X of degree $\geq 2g + 1$. Then the complete linear system associated to D gives an embedding

$$X \hookrightarrow \mathbb{P}^n \quad (n = d - g).$$

Pf: $h^0(X, D - p - q) = (d - 2) - g + 1$ by Riemann-Roch, because $d - 2 > 2g - 2$.

so $h^0(X, D - p - q) = h^0(D) - 2$

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