

Weil Divisors

Def | A weil divisor on a normal variety X is a finite formal sum

$$D = \sum_{i=1}^s a_i D_i$$

where D_i are distinct irreducible divisors of X and $a_i \in \mathbb{Z}$.

Given a non-zero rational function $f \in (\mathbb{C}(X))^* = \left(\text{frac} \left(\mathbb{C}[x_1, \dots, x_n] / I_X \right) \right)^*$ we can define $\text{ord}_Y(f)$ for every irreducible divisor $Y \subseteq X$. This gives a weil divisor

$$\text{div}(f) = \sum_Y \text{ord}_Y(f) Y$$

This is a finite sum as there are at most finitely many divisors whose order is non-zero

Two weil divisors D_1, D_2 on X are linearly equivalent written $D_1 \sim D_2$ if $\exists f \in \mathbb{C}(X)$ s.t.

$$\text{div}(f) = D_1 - D_2$$

A weil divisor D is called principal if $D \sim 0$
i.e. $D = \text{div}(f)$ for some f

Def | (codim 1 chow Group / Divisor class group) Let X be normal.

Let $m = \dim(X)$. The dimension $(n-1)$ or codimension 1

Chow group $A_{m-1}(X) = A^1(X)$ is the group of Weil divisors on X modulo linear equivalence.

Aside | In general Chow groups of dim $0, \dots, m$ can be defined via consider analogous finite formal sums

$\sum n_i [V_i]$ where V_i is an irreducible subvariety of X of $\dim = 0 \leq k \leq m$

and $[V_i] =$ rational eq. class of V_i

E.g. | For $X = \mathbb{P}^n$, $A_k(\mathbb{P}^n) \cong \mathbb{Z}$ for all k

if V_1, V_2 are irr. subvarieties of \mathbb{P}^n of dim k

then $[V_1] \sim [V_2]$ iff $\deg(V_1) = \deg(V_2)$.

Weil Divisors on Toric Varieties

In this setup it helps to remember when

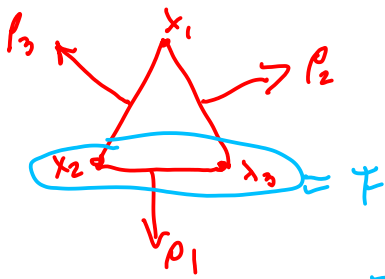
$\Sigma =$ outer normal fan of a polytope P

then the orbit/cone correspondence on X_A where $P = \text{conv}(A)$

gives

$$X_A = \bigcup_{\substack{\text{face} \\ \text{of } P}} \overline{\sigma(F)}$$

$$\overline{\sigma(F)} = \{ [y_0 : \dots : y_n] \in \mathbb{P}^n \mid y_i = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } a_i \notin F \\ t^{a_i}, t \in (\mathbb{C}^*)^r & \text{if } a_i \in F \end{cases} \}$$



For this face $\sigma(F) = V(x_1) \cap X_A$



In the Cox ring $\mathbb{C}[x_{\rho_1}, x_{\rho_2}, x_{\rho_3}]$ this corresponds to

taking $x_{\rho_1} = 0$ so $X_E \cap V(x_{\rho_1})$

In either case we get a Divisor of X_A / X_E
from a facet/ray

Thm (Fan version of orbit/cone)

Let X_E is the normal toric variety of a fan Σ

Then \exists a bijective correspondence

$$\{ \text{cones in } \Sigma \} \longleftrightarrow \{ (\mathbb{C}^*)^r \text{ orbits in } X_E \}$$

$$\text{and } \sigma \longleftrightarrow \mathcal{O}(\sigma) \cong \text{Hom}_{\mathbb{Z}}(\sigma^\perp \cap M, \mathbb{C}^*)$$

concretely if $\bigcup_{\sigma} \sigma = \overline{\sigma} \subseteq \mathbb{C}^n$
 $\sigma = \text{cone}(a_1, \dots, a_n)$

and τ is a face of σ

$$\text{then } \overline{\sigma(\tau)} = \left\{ (y_1, \dots, y_n) \mid y_i = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } a_i \in \tau \\ t^{a_i} & \text{if } a_i \notin \tau \end{cases} \right\}$$

So in particular if P_i is a ray σ , $P_i = \mathbb{R}_{\geq 0}\{a_i\}$

then $\overline{\sigma(P_i)} = U_\sigma \cap V(x_i)$ is a divisor on U_σ .

In general for X_Σ a ray $\rho \in \Sigma$ corresponds to a divisor on each U_σ for which $\rho \in \sigma$, and hence on X_Σ . Denote this divisor as D_ρ .

For a character $m \in M$ we may also define a divisor

$$\text{div}(t^m) = \sum_{\rho} \langle m, \nu_\rho \rangle D_\rho \quad \text{where } \rho = \mathbb{R}_{\geq 0}\nu_\rho$$

for each $\rho \in \Sigma(1)$.

Note that t^m maps $(\mathbb{C}^*)^r \rightarrow \mathbb{C}^*$

So we can think of this as a rational function on X_Σ which is non-vanishing on $(\mathbb{C}^*)^r$.

Since X_Σ is normal and D_ρ are irreducible

then the order of vanishing is defined

and a theorem

$$\text{Ord}_{D_\rho}(t^m) = \langle m, \nu_\rho \rangle \quad \dim(X_\Sigma) = r$$

Fact 1 The Chow group $A_{r-1}(X_\Sigma)$ is generated by D_ρ s.t. $\rho \in \Sigma(1)$. Further there is an exact sequence

$$0 \rightarrow M \xrightarrow{\alpha} \bigoplus_{P \in \mathcal{Z}(1)} \mathbb{Z} D_P \xrightarrow{\beta} A_{p-1}(X_\varepsilon) \rightarrow 0$$

α is the map given by

$$m \mapsto t^m \mapsto \mathbb{Z} \langle m, \cup \rangle D_P$$

β is the map giving linear equivalence of divisors.

Example) Consider $X_\varepsilon = \mathbb{P}^1 \times \mathbb{P}^1$

$$\mathcal{Z}(1) = \left\{ \begin{array}{cccc} (1,0) & (-1,0) & (0,1) & (0,-1) \\ P_1 & P_2 & P_3 & P_4 \end{array} \right\} \quad P_i = \mathbb{P}^1 \times \{v_i\}$$

Then the exact sequence is

$$0 \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}^2 \rightarrow \bigoplus_{i=1}^4 \mathbb{Z} D_{P_i} \xrightarrow{\beta} \mathbb{Z}^2 \rightarrow 0$$

$t_1^a t_2^b$

where

$$\alpha(a, b) = a D_1 - a D_2 + b D_3 - b D_4$$

$$\beta = (a_1 D_1 + \dots + a_4 D_4) = (a_1 + a_2, a_3 + a_4)$$

we can also think of the coordinate ring of $\mathbb{P}^1 \times \mathbb{P}^1$

$$\mathbb{C}[x_0, x_1] \otimes \mathbb{C}[y_0, y_1] = \mathbb{C}[x_0, x_1, y_0, y_1]$$

$$\text{where } \deg(x_i) = (1, 0), \deg(y_i) = (0, 1)$$

Note $x_0 \leftrightarrow D_1, x_1 \leftrightarrow D_3, y_0 \leftrightarrow D_3, y_1 \leftrightarrow D_4$

So we can read the map β as saying

$$\text{deg} \begin{pmatrix} x_0^{a_1} x_1^{a_2} y_0^{a_3} y_1^{a_4} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} a_1 + a_2, a_3 + a_4 \end{pmatrix}$$

↙ tot. deg. in Y-var.

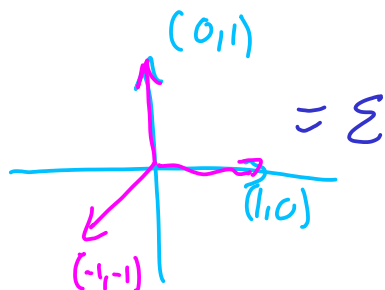
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tot. deg. in X-var

Def (Simplicial fan) A cone $\sigma = \text{cone}(v_1, \dots, v_r)$ is called simplicial if its minimal generators are linearly independent over \mathbb{R} . A fan Σ is called simplicial if every cone $\sigma \in \Sigma$ is simplicial.

E.g. \mathbb{P}^2

has the fan



maximal cones of Σ are generated by any two rays is linear over \mathbb{R} .

Σ - simplicial fan

$$R = [x_\rho \mid \rho \in \Sigma(1)]$$

So we grade this ring as follows:

- Note the Divisor D_ρ corresponds to x_ρ , or e.g. to $V(x_\rho) \cap X_\Sigma \subseteq \mathcal{O}^{\Sigma(1)}$

So we grade R by Pairing

$$X^D := \prod_{P \in \Sigma(1)} X_P^{a_P} \iff D = \sum a_P P$$

$$\text{So } \text{deg}(X^D) = \beta(D)$$

where β is from the exact seq.

$$M \longrightarrow \bigoplus_{\rho} D_{\rho} \xrightarrow{\beta} A_{n-1}(X_{\Sigma}) \longrightarrow 0$$

So $\beta(P)$ is represented as an integer vector

$$\beta = \left\langle \prod_{P \in \sigma} X_P \mid \sigma \in \Sigma \right\rangle \subseteq \mathbb{R}$$

Then $X_{\Sigma} \cong \left(\mathbb{C}^{\Sigma(1)} - V(\beta) \right) / G$ where

$G = \text{Hom} \mathbb{Z} (A_{n-1}(X_{\Sigma}), \mathbb{C}^*)$ with $n = \dim(X_{\Sigma})$
and Σ a simplicial fan.

$$x, y \in \left(\mathbb{C}^{\Sigma(1)} - V(\beta) \right) / G$$

$$x \sim y \text{ iff } x \in y \cdot G$$

Toric ideal-variety correspondence

$$\pi : \left(\mathbb{C}^{\mathbb{Z}(1)} - V(\mathcal{B}) \right) / \mathcal{a} \xrightarrow{\sim} X_{\Sigma}$$

given $p \in X_{\Sigma}$ we set $x \in \pi^{-1}(p)$ gives
homogeneous coordinates for p and we know

$$\pi^{-1}(p) = \mathcal{a} \cdot x$$

If we have $f \in \mathcal{R}$ which is homogeneous w.r.t
to the grading by \mathcal{B} , i.e. each monomial
 x^{α} of f has $\deg(x^{\alpha}) = D \in \text{Am}(X_{\Sigma})$

$$f(g \cdot x) = (t_g)^{\deg(f)} f(x)$$

\therefore the equation $f(x) = 0$ is well defined on X_{Σ}

Prop | Let \mathcal{R} be the Cox ring of the simplicial toric
variety X_{Σ} . Then

• If $\mathcal{I} \in \mathcal{R}$ is a homogeneous ideal w.r.t. the
grading by $\text{Am}(X_{\Sigma})$ then

$$V(\mathcal{I}) = \{ \pi(x) \in X_{\Sigma} \mid f(x) = 0 \ \forall f \in \mathcal{I} \}$$

is a closed subvariety of X_{Σ} .

• all closed subvarieties arise in this way

$n \in \mathbb{C}$

$$\mathbb{C}^n \left\{ \text{closed subvarieties of } \mathbb{C}^n \right\} \xleftrightarrow{l=1} \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{radical ideals} \\ I \subseteq \mathbb{C}[x_1, \dots, x_n] \end{array} \right\}$$

$$\mathbb{P}^n \left\{ \text{closed subvarieties of } \mathbb{P}^n \right\} \xleftrightarrow{} \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{radical homogeneous} \\ \text{ideals } I \subseteq \mathbb{C}[x_0, \dots, x_n] \end{array} \right\}$$

Def / we say an ideal $I \subseteq R \xleftarrow{\text{Cox ring of } X_\Sigma}$ is B -saturated

$$\text{if } I : B^e = I$$

Thm | Let X_Σ be a smooth toric variety then we have the following bi-jjective correspondence

$$\left\{ \text{closed subvarieties of } X_\Sigma \right\} \xleftrightarrow{} \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{radical } B\text{-saturated} \\ \text{homogeneous ideals (with grading} \\ \text{by } A_{\text{rat}}(X_\Sigma)) I \subseteq R \end{array} \right\}$$

where $R = \text{Cox ring of } X_\Sigma$, $r = \dim(X_\Sigma)$.

keep in mind

$$\mathbb{P}^n = (\mathbb{C}^{n+1} - \{0\}) / \mathbb{C}^*$$

$$\lambda \cdot (p_0, \dots, p_n) = (p_0, \dots, p_n) \cdot \lambda$$

Let G be a group acting on a variety X .

Assume that for every $g \in G$ the map

$\phi_g(x) = g \cdot x$ defines a morphism $\phi_g: X \rightarrow X$.

When $X = \text{Spec}(R)$ is affine, i.e. $X \subseteq \mathbb{A}^n$,

$\phi_g: X \rightarrow X$ comes from $\phi_g^*: R \rightarrow R$

we define the induced action of G on R by

$$g \cdot f = \phi_{g^{-1}}^*(f) \quad \text{for } f \in R$$

i.e. $(g \cdot f)(x) = f(g^{-1} \cdot x) \quad \forall x \in X$.

Two objects:

- Set of G -orbits $X/G = \{G \cdot x \mid x \in X\}$
- The ring of invariants $R^G = \{f \in R \mid g \cdot f = f \ \forall g \in G\}$

Note $R^G \subseteq R$, if $f \in R^G$ then

$$\bar{f}(G \cdot x) = f(x)$$

gives a well defined function $\bar{f}: X/G \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$

- would like to identify X/G with $\text{Spec}(R^G)$

Issues: R^G is not always finitely generated
but it is in nice case, e.g. for $(\mathbb{A}^k)^r$

we say a subgroup $G \subseteq \mathrm{GL}_n(\mathbb{C})$ is an affine algebraic group if it is also a subvariety (not necessarily closed) of $\mathrm{GL}_n(\mathbb{C})$

Eg $\mathrm{GL}_n(\mathbb{C})$, $\mathrm{SL}_n(\mathbb{C})$, $(\mathbb{C}^*)^n$, finite groups

An affine alg. group acts algebraically on a variety $X \subseteq \mathbb{C}^n$ if the G -action $g \cdot x$ defines a morphism of varieties

$$G \times X \rightarrow X$$

A group is called reductive if its maximal connected solvable subgroup is a torus
e.g. | finite groups, tori, semi-simple groups, $\mathrm{SL}_n(\mathbb{C})$

Prop | Let G be a reductive group acting algebraically on an affine variety $X = \mathrm{Spec}(R)$. Then

(a) R^G is finitely generated (as a \mathbb{C} -algebra)

(b) For the morphism $\pi: X \rightarrow \mathrm{Spec}(R^G)$ the following are equivalent

(i) All G -orbits are closed in X

(ii) Given $x, y \in X$ we have

$\pi(x) = \pi(y)$ iff x and y are in the
Same G -orbit

(iii) π induces a bijection

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} G\text{-orbits in } X \\ X/G \end{array} \right\} \longleftrightarrow \text{Spec}(K^G)$$