

# Dual abelian variety

Def.  $\text{Pic}^g(X) = \{L \text{ line bundle} \mid \phi_L(x) = 0 \text{ for any } x\} \subseteq \text{Pic}(X)$ .

$$\phi_L(x) = T_x^* L - L$$

By chm of the square (§6, Cor 4, P57)

$$T_{x+y}^* L \otimes L \cong T_x^* L \otimes T_y^* L$$

We have exact sequence

$$0 \rightarrow \text{Pic}^g(X) \rightarrow \text{Pic}(X) \rightarrow \text{Hom}(X, \text{Pic}^0(X))$$

$$L \mapsto \phi_L$$

Goal: Construct  $\widehat{X} \cong \text{Pic}^0(X)$

Preparations/ propositions:

$$(i) L \in \text{Pic}^g(X) \Leftrightarrow T_x^* L \cong L \text{ for all } x \in X$$

$$\Leftrightarrow m^* L \cong p_1^* L \otimes p_2^* L \text{ on } X \times X$$

$$(ii) L \in \text{Pic}^0(X) \text{ if } g: S \rightarrow X \text{ then}$$

$$(f+g)^* L \cong f^* L \otimes g^* L$$

$$(iii) L \in \text{Pic}^0(X), n_x^* L \cong L^n$$

$$(iv) L \in \text{Pic}(X), n_x^* L \cong L^{n_x} \otimes (\text{sch. in } \text{Pic}^0(X))$$

$$(v) L \text{ has finite order, then } L \in \text{Pic}^0(X)$$

$$(vi) S \text{ variety, } L \text{ line bundles on } X \times S, L_S = L|_{X \times S}$$

then  $L_{S_1} \otimes L_{S_2}^{-1} \in \text{Pic}^0(X)$

(vii)  $L \in \text{Pic}^0(X)$  non-trivial, then  $H^i(X, L) = 0$  for all  $i$ .

Prove one by one:

(i). first " $\Leftarrow$ ": Definition

second " $\Leftarrow$ ": See-saw -chm (§5, Cor 6, Pr 1)

$$m^* L \otimes P_1^* L^{-1} \otimes P_2^* L^{-1} \triangleq T$$

$T$  trivial  $\Leftrightarrow T|_{X \times S_2} \cdot T|_{S_2 \times X}$  is trivial for all  $a$

But  $T|_{S_2 \times X} = \mathcal{O}_{S_2 \times X}$

$$T|_{X \times S_2} = T_a^* L \times L^{-1}$$

then  $T$  trivial  $\Leftrightarrow T_a^* L = L$  for all  $a$

(ii) consider  $S \xrightarrow{(f, g)} X \times X \xrightarrow{m} X$

$$\text{then } (f+g)^* L = (f, g)^* \circ m^* L$$

$$= (f, g)^* (P_1^* L \otimes P_2^* L)$$

$$= f^* L \otimes g^* L$$

(iii) By (ii), trivial

$$(iv) \text{By } (\S 6, \text{App 2, Pr 9}), n_x^* L \cong \left( \frac{n(n+1)}{2} \otimes (-|_x)^* L \right) \frac{n(n-1)}{2}$$

$$= L^n \otimes (L \otimes (-|_x)^* L)^{-\frac{n(n-1)}{2}}$$

It suffices to show:  $L \otimes (-|_x)^* L \in \text{Pic}^0(X)$

$$T_x^* (L \otimes (-|_x)^* L) = T_x^* L \otimes (-|_x)^* T_{-x}^* L^{-1}$$

$$= T_x^* L \otimes (-|_x)^* L^{-1} \otimes (-|_x)^* (L \otimes T_{-x}^* L^{-1})$$

$$= T_x^* L \otimes (-|_x)^* L^{-1} \otimes (L^{-1} \otimes T_{-x}^* L)$$

(This step is by  $L \otimes T_{-x}^* L^{-1} \in \text{Pic}^\circ(X)$  and (iii))

$$= L \otimes (-|_x)^* L^{-1}$$

(This step is by thm of the square)

Then  $L \otimes (-|_x)^* L^{-1} \in \text{Pic}^\circ(X)$

(v)  $L^n$  is trivial,  $0 = \phi_{L^n}(x) = n\phi_L(x) = \phi_L(nx)$

$x$  is divisible, then  $nx$  is surjective  $\Rightarrow \phi_L = 0$ .

(vi) Replacing  $S$  by an open covering, we may assume

$L|_{S_0 \times S}$  is trivial

Replacing  $L$  by  $L \otimes P_1^*(L_{S_0}^{-1})$ , we may assume

$L_{S_0} = L|_{X \times \{S_0\}}$  is trivial

It suffices to show  $L_s \in \text{Pic}^\circ(X)$  for all  $s \in S$

Consider line bundle  $M$  on  $X \times X \times S$

$$M = \mu^* L \otimes P_{13}^* L^{-1} \otimes P_{23}^* L^{-1}$$

$$\mu(x, y, s) = (x+y, s)$$

$$P_{13}(x, y, s) = (x, s)$$

$$P_{23}(x, y, s) = (y, s)$$

then  $M|_{X \times \{S_0\} \times S}$ ,  $M|_{S_0 \times X \times S}$ ,  $M|_{X \times X \times \{S_0\}}$  are trivial

By thm of the cube ( $\S 6$ .  $P_{52}$ ),  $M$  is trivial

then  $\mathcal{M}|_{X \times X \times S^2} = m^*(L_S) \otimes \mathbb{P}_1^*(L_S^{-1}) \otimes \mathbb{P}_2^*(L_S')$  is trivial  
 $L_S \in \text{Pic}(X)$

**Remark:** General definition of  $\text{Pic}^0(V)$  for any non-singular projective variety  $V$ :

Let  $C$  an irreducible curve (or ns variety).

$\Delta$  a divisor on  $C \times V$  without vertical component

then  $\text{Pic}^0(V)$  is the subgp of  $\text{Pic}(V)$  generated by all  $v_\lambda - v_\mu$ ,  $\lambda, \mu \in C$  (for any choice of  $C, \Delta, \lambda, \mu$ )

(Some, Lectures on the Mordell-Weil Theorem, P25)

(vii) (Abuse the notations of sheaves and line bundles)

① proof of  $H^0(X, L) = 0$ :

If  $H^0(X, L) \neq 0$ .  $L = \mathcal{O}_X(D)$  for some effective  $D$

then  $L^\perp = f|_X)^* L = \mathcal{O}_X(-f|_X)^* D)$

Hence  $\mathcal{O}_X \cong L \otimes L^\perp \cong \mathcal{O}_X(D + (-f|_X)^* D)$

$$\Rightarrow D + (-f|_X)^* D = 0$$

$\Rightarrow D \geq 0$  (effectiveness). Contradiction!

② By induction. Assume  $H^i(X, L) = 0$  for  $i < k$  ( $k > 1$ )

consider the maps

$$X \xrightarrow{s_1} X \times X \xrightarrow{m} X$$

$$x \mapsto (x, 0)$$

$$m \circ s_1 = \text{id}$$

then it induces the diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccccc} H^k(X, L) & \xleftarrow{\varsigma_i^*} & H^k(X \times X, m^* L) & \xleftarrow{m^*} & f^k(X, L) \\ & & \parallel & & \\ & & H^k(X \times X, p_1^* L \otimes p_2^* L) & & \\ & & \parallel & & \\ \varprojlim_{i+j=k} H^i(X, L) \otimes H^j(X, L) & = & 0 & & \end{array}$$

(Künneth formula)

Because  $\varsigma_i^* \circ m^* = \text{id.}$ ,  $f^k(X, L) = 0$

Conclusion holds.  $\square$

Thm 1. Let  $L$  ample and  $M \in \text{Pic}^0(X)$  then for some  $x \in X$ .

$$M = T_x^* L \otimes L^{-1}$$

i.e. the map  $\phi_L: X \rightarrow \text{Pic}^0(X)$  is surjective

We need some preparations about Grothendieck spectral sequence to complete the proof

Preparation: A very brief introduction of spectral sequence

(a)  $\mathcal{E}$  abelian category,  $E_r^{p,q} \in \mathcal{E}$  for  $p, q \in \mathbb{Z}$ ,  $r \geq 0$

(sometimes we need  $E_r^{p,q} = 0$  for all  $p < 0$  or  $q < 0$ , and  $r_s = 1$  or 2)

(b)  $d_r: E_r^{p,q} \rightarrow E_r^{p+r, q-r+1}$ ,  $d_r \circ d_r = 0$

(c)  $E_{r+1}^{p,q} \cong \frac{\ker(d_r^{p,q})}{\text{Im}(d_r^{p-r, q+r-1})}$

(d) Filtered objects  $\bar{E}^n \in \mathcal{C}$ , ...  $\supseteq F(\bar{E}) \supseteq F^\circ(\bar{E}) \supseteq F^1(\bar{E}) \supseteq \dots$

② For any fixed  $(p, q)$ , there exists  $r$

$$\bar{E}_r^{p,q} = \bar{E}_{r+1}^{p,q} = \bar{E}_{r+2}^{p,q} = \dots \triangleq \bar{E}_\infty^{p,q}$$

(If  $\bar{E}_r^{p,q}$  trivial for  $p < 0$  or  $q < 0$ ,  
then for  $r > \max(p+1, q+1)$   
 $\bar{E}_r^{p,q} = \bar{E}_{r+1}^{p,q} = \dots = \bar{E}_\infty^{p,q}$ )

③ For any fixed  $n$ , then  $F^n(\bar{E}) = \bar{E}^n$  for sufficiently small  $p$

$$F^p(\bar{E}^n) = 0 \text{ for sufficiently large } p$$

$$(e) F_A^{p,q} \cong G^p(\bar{E}^{p+q}) \quad (\text{Notation: } G^p(A) = \frac{\bar{F}^n(A)}{\bar{F}^{n+1}(A)})$$

Grothendieck spectral sequence

$$F: \mathcal{A} \rightarrow \mathcal{B} \quad G: \mathcal{B} \rightarrow \mathcal{C} \text{. Left exact}$$

$\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{B}, \mathcal{C}$  have enough injectives

$F$  maps injectives to acyclics.

Then for  $A \in \mathcal{A}$ ,  $\exists$  spectral sequence  $\{\bar{E}_r^{p,q}(A)\}$

$$\bar{E}_2^{p,q}(A) = R^p G \circ R^q F(A)$$

$$\bar{E}_\infty^{p,q}(A) \cong R^{p+q}(G \circ F)(A)$$

Back to the proof:

$$K = m^* L \otimes p_1^* L^{-1} \otimes p_2^* (L^{-1} \otimes M^{-1})$$

$$Sh(X \times X) \xrightarrow{p_{1,*}} Sh(X) \xrightarrow{\pi} Ab$$

$$\bar{E}_2^{k,l} = H^k(X, R^l p_{1,*}(K)) \Rightarrow H^{k+l}(X \times X, K) = \bar{E}_\infty^{k+l}$$

(Notation: " $\Rightarrow$ " means "converge", i.e.  $\bar{E}_\infty^{*,*}$ )

Similarly,  $H^l(X, R_{P_2,*}^k(K)) \Rightarrow H^{k+l}(X \times X, K)$

Notice  $K|_{S \times S \times X} = T_x^* L \otimes L^{-1} \otimes M^{-1}$

$K|_{X \times S \times S} = T_x^* L \otimes L^{-1}$

if  $M \neq T_x^* L \otimes L^{-1}$  for any  $x$ ,  $K|_{S \times S \times X}$  is non-trivial

for any  $x$ . by (vi).  $H^k(X, K|_{S \times S \times X}) = 0$  for all  $k, x$

By (§ 5, Cor 2, P 48) for any  $x \in X$ . the fiber is  $S \times S \times X$

we have  $\dim_{K(x)} H^p(S \times S \times X, K|_{S \times S \times X}) = 0$ . for all  $p$

then  $R^{p-1} P_{2,*}(K) = 0$

Therefore  $H^k(X \times X, K) = 0$ .

The other spectral sequence:

For  $x \notin K(L) = \ker(\phi_L)$ ,  $T_x^* L \otimes L^{-1}$  non-trivial

and in  $\text{Pic}^0(X)$ . Use (§ 5, Cor 2) again

we get  $\text{supp}(R^k P_{2,*}(K)) \subset K(L)$  which is a finite set

Then the spectral sequence degenerates to

$\bigoplus_{x \in K(L)} R^k P_{2,*}(K)_x \cong H^k(X \times X, K) = 0$

so  $R^k P_{2,*}(K) = 0$

By (§5, Cor 4, P<sub>5.1</sub>),  $H^k(X, \mathcal{K}|_{X \times \{x\}}) = 0$  for all  $x \in X, k \geq 0$

But  $\mathcal{K}|_{X \times \{x\}}$  is trivial for  $x \in K(L)$

$H^0(\mathcal{K}|_{X \times \{x\}}) \neq 0$ . Contradiction!

□

We've got a group structure  $X/K(L) \cong \text{Pic}^\circ(X)$ !

Fix  $L$  ample on  $X$ , by (§7, P<sub>63</sub>), exists  $\tilde{X}$  s.t.

$0 \rightarrow K(L) \rightarrow X \rightarrow \tilde{X} \rightarrow 0$  exact as groups.

By (§7, Prop 2, P<sub>66</sub>), we get  $P$ . s.t.

$$(l_X \times \pi)^* P = K = m^* L \otimes P_1^* L^{-1} \otimes P_2^* L^{-1}$$

(In details,  $\ker(l_X \times \pi) = (0) \times K(L)$ ,

for any  $a \in K(L)$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned} T_{(0,a)}^* K &= T_{(0,a)}^* m^* L \otimes T_{(0,a)}^* P_1^* L^{-1} \otimes T_{(0,a)}^* P_2^* L^{-1} \\ &= m^* T_a^* L \otimes P_1^* L^{-1} \otimes P_2^* T_a^* L^{-1} \\ &= m^* L \otimes P_1^* L^{-1} \otimes P_2^* L^{-1} = K \end{aligned}$$

Our goals:

$$(a) \quad \begin{array}{ccc} \tilde{X} & \xrightarrow{\sim} & \text{Pic}^\circ(X) \\ y & \longmapsto & P|_{X \times \{y\}} \end{array}$$

②  $P|_{S \times \mathbb{X}}$  is trivial

(b) for any normal scheme  $S$ , and the bundle  $K$  on  $X \times S$

s.t. ①  $K_s = K|_{X \times \{s\}} \in \text{Pic}^\circ(X)$  for some  $s \in S$

(In fact, if ① holds for one  $s \in S$ , then it holds for all  $s \in S$ , by (vi) which we have proved before)

②  $K|_{S \times X}$  is trivial

Then exists unique  $f: S \rightarrow \mathbb{X}$

s.t.  $K_s \cong P_{f(s)}$

and  $K \cong (\iota_X^* f)^* P$

Remark: In other words,  $(\mathbb{X}, P)$  represents the functor

$S \mapsto \{K \in \text{Pic}(X \times S) \mid K_s \in \text{Pic}^\circ(X) \text{ for all } s \in S,$   
 and  $K|_{S \times X}$  is trivial}

$P$  is called Poincaré bundle

Proof:

(a) ①  $\pi: X \rightarrow \mathbb{X} \cong \text{Pic}^\circ(X)$ . for  $y \in \mathbb{X}$ ,  $\exists \pi(x) = y$

then  $P|_{X \times \{y\}} = (\iota_X^* \pi)^* P_{X \times \{x\}} = K|_{X \times \{y\}} = T_x^* L \otimes L^{-1}$

$= \phi_L(x) \longleftrightarrow y$  (Because of commutative diagram)

② Because  $K|_{S \times X} = L \otimes L^{-1} = \mathcal{O}_X$ ,

$P|_{S \times X}$  is trivial as well

(b) For given  $S$  and  $K$ , consider line bundle on  $X \times S \times \hat{X}$

$$E = P_A^*(K) \otimes P_B^*(P^{-1})$$

Then  $E|_{X \times S \times \{x\}} = K_S \otimes P_2^{-1}$

By see-saw thm (GTM Cor 6, § 1)

$P = \{(f, g) \mid E|_{X \times S \times \{x\}}$  is trivial} is Zariski-closed

$E|_{X \times S \times \{x\}}$  is trivial iff  $K_S \cong P_2$ ,  $K_S \in \text{Pic}^0(X)$

Then for any  $K_S$ , exists unique  $P_2$  s.t.  $K_S \cong P_2$

It follows set-theoretic map  $\varphi : P \rightarrow S$   
is bijective.

Since  $\text{char } k = 0$ ,  $\varphi$  is bijective

And since  $S$  is normal, by Zariski Main Thm

(GTM § 2, III. Cor 11.4, § 28),  $\varphi_* \mathcal{O}_P = \mathcal{O}_S$ ,  $P \cong S$

On the other hand, the second projection gives

$$P \hookrightarrow S \times \hat{X} \rightarrow \hat{X}$$

so we get  $S \xrightarrow{\cong} P \rightarrow \hat{X}$ .

See-saw thm also gives  $K = (1 \times f)^* P$ .  $\square$

Remarks:

(1) For every line bundle  $L$  on  $X$ ,  $f_L: X \rightarrow \hat{X}$  is a morphism

Proof: Let  $S = X$ ,  $K = m^*(L) \otimes P_1^*(L^{-1}) \otimes P_2^*(L^{-1})$

By universal property (b), we get  $\phi_L$  is a morphism

(2) If  $f: X \rightarrow Y$  homomorphism between two abelian varieties

$f$  induces  $\text{Pic}^0(Y) \rightarrow \text{Pic}^0(X)$ , then we get  $\hat{f}: \hat{Y} \rightarrow \hat{X}$

Proof:  $Q$  is the Poincaré on  $Y \times \hat{Y}$

$(f \times 1)^* Q$  is a line bundle on  $X \times \hat{Y}$ .

for  $\hat{y} \in \hat{Y}$ ,  $((f \times 1_{\hat{Y}})^* Q)|_{X \times \{\hat{y}\}} \in \text{Pic}^0(X)$

and  $((f \times 1_{\hat{Y}})^* Q)|_{0 \times \hat{Y}}$  is trivial

By universal property, we get  $\hat{f}: \hat{Y} \rightarrow \hat{X}$

(3)  $f: X \rightarrow Y$  is an isogeny, then so is  $\hat{f}$   
and there is a canonical duality between  
 $\ker f$  and  $\ker \hat{f}$

Proof: By (§7, Cor 2, Prop 7.0),  $\ker f$  and  $\ker f^*$

( $f^*: \text{Pic}(Y) \rightarrow \text{Pic}(X)$ )

if  $\hat{y} \in \text{Pic}(Y)$  s.t.  $f^*(\hat{y}) = 0$ , then  $\hat{y}$  has finite order

hence  $\mathcal{F} \in \text{Pic}^0(Y)$ . Therefore,  $\ker f^* = \ker f$   
 Finally,  $\dim X = \dim Y = \dim \mathcal{F} \Rightarrow f$  is isogeny.  $\square$

Our next goal: symmetric property between  $X$  and  $Y$

Def:  $X, Y$  abelian varieties. A divisorial correspondence between  $X$  and  $Y$  is a line bundle on  $X \times Y$  whose restrictions to  $S_0 \times Y$  and  $X \times S_0$  are trivial

Prob.  $X, Y$  abelian varieties of the same dimension

$\mathcal{Q}$  divisorial correspondence between  $X$  and  $Y$ .  
 Then (1) If  $\mathcal{Q}|_{S_0 \times Y}$  is trivial, then  $x=0$   
 (2) If  $\mathcal{Q}|_{X \times S_0}$  is trivial, then  $y=0$

are equivalent

If these hold, then  $X \xrightarrow{\sim} Y$ , and  $\mathcal{Q}$  isomorphic to the Poincaré bundle of  $P_Y$  of  $Y$ , so do  $X$  and  $P_X$

Proof: (1)  $\Rightarrow$  (2):

By definition of  $\mathcal{Q}$ ,  $\mathcal{Q}|_{X \times S_0}$ ,  $\mathcal{Q}|_{S_0 \times Y}$  are trivial.

then we get  $\phi: X \rightarrow Y$ ,  $\mathcal{Q} = (\phi \times 1_Y)^* P_Y$  from (6)

Because of (1).  $\phi$  must be injective

On the other hand,  $\dim X = \dim Y = \dim \mathcal{F}$ ,  $\phi$  is surjective.  
 then  $\phi$  is isomorphic,  $X \xrightarrow{\sim} Y$

Let  $\psi: Y \rightarrow \mathbb{X}$ ,  $(I_x \times \psi)^* P_x = Q$ .

To prove (2), we only need to prove  $\psi$  is injective.

If not, there exists  $s_0 \neq k \in \ker \psi$

$\psi$  factorizes as  $Y \xrightarrow{\eta} Y/K \xrightarrow{\tilde{\psi}} \mathbb{X}$

$\eta$  is the natural morphism (still by §7.7.63, we also need  $K$  finite)

Let  $L = (I_x \times \tilde{\psi})^* P_x$ , line bundle on  $X \times (Y/K)$

then we get  $Q \cong (I_x \times \eta)^* L$

$L$  induces a morphism  $\alpha: X \rightarrow \widehat{(Y/K)}$

and the composition  $X \xrightarrow{\alpha} \widehat{(Y/K)} \xrightarrow{\uparrow} \mathbb{X}$  is precisely

induced by  $Q$ , then it is an isomorphism

thus  $\alpha$  is injective.  $\dim X = \dim Y = \dim(Y/K)$ .

then  $\alpha$  is surjective, so  $\alpha, \uparrow$  are isomorphisms

But because  $\eta$  is isogeny,  $\ker(\eta), (\ker(\eta))^\perp$  are non-trivial

Contradiction! Then  $\psi$  is injective.  $\square$

Remark: By the proposition, we get known about the symmetric property between  $X$  and  $\mathbb{X}$  from its Poincaré bundles, and  $X \cong \widehat{\mathbb{X}}$ , that's why it's called "Dual Variety"