

# 1 Affine Curves with No Immersions

**Exercise 1.1.** Find a smooth affine curve  $C$  with no immersion  $C \hookrightarrow \mathbb{P}_k^2$ . Unlike in plane case,  $K_X \neq 0$  is not an obstruction ( $g = 3$  example).

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**Exercise 1.2.** An easier version, find a curve with no immersion  $C \hookrightarrow \mathbb{A}_k^2$ . My guess is that here  $K_X \neq 0$  is an obstruction but I can't prove it.

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# 2 Curves with Intersection at One Point in Ambient Space

**Exercise 2.1.** First question: given a curve  $C$  and a closed point  $P \in C$  when is there a function  $f \in \Gamma(C, \mathcal{O}_C)$  such that  $V(f) = \{P\}$  (topologically it may be nonreduced that is fine).

For affine curves: the previous question is asking: given a one-dimensional Noetherian domain  $A$  and a maximal ideal  $\mathfrak{m}_0 \in \text{Spec}(A)$  when is there  $f \in A$  such that  $\sqrt{(f)} = \mathfrak{m}_0$ .

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Suppose that  $A$  is a Dedekind domain. Then by unique factorization,  $\sqrt{(f)} = \mathfrak{m}_0$  iff  $(f) = \mathfrak{m}_0^n$  meaning that this is possible iff  $\mathfrak{m}_0$  is torsion in the ideal class group. Choosing any nontorsion point of an elliptic curve is then a counter example.

Is the class group not being torsion the only obstruction?

**Exercise 2.2.** Given a closed immersion  $\iota : C \hookrightarrow S$  with  $S$  a surface, given a point  $P \in C$  when does there exist a closed curve  $Z \subset S$  such that  $Z \cap C = \{P\}$ ?

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First, an example. Consider the surface  $S = C \times_k \mathbb{P}_k^1$  with  $C \hookrightarrow S$  via the closed point  $0 \in \mathbb{P}_k^1$ . Then for any closed point  $P \in C$  we can consider the curve  $\{P\} \times_k \mathbb{P}_k^1 \subset C \times_k \mathbb{P}_k^1$  and  $\{P\} \times_k \mathbb{P}_k^1 \cap C = \{P\}$ . Therefore, this is certainly possible for an arbitrary curve. Perhaps we need to fix

The affine curve  $Z \subset X$  is defined by some sheaf of ideals  $\mathcal{J} \subset \mathcal{O}_S$ . Then  $\iota^{-1}\mathcal{J} \cdot \mathcal{O}_C$  gives the sheaf of ideals for  $\iota^{-1}(Z)$ .

First, consider  $S = \mathbb{A}_k^2$  then we have  $C = V(f)$  for some  $f \in k[x, y]$  and  $Z = V(g)$  for some  $g \in k[x, y]$  we can assume these are irreducible so  $C$  and  $Z$  are integral curves. Then, under the map  $k[x, y] \rightarrow k[x, y]/(f)$  we get  $\iota^{-1}\mathcal{J} \cdot \mathcal{O}_C = g \cdot k[x, y]/(f) = (g)$  and thus we reduce exactly to the previous problem for the affine curve  $C = \text{Spec}(k[x, y]/(f))$ .

Likewise, consider  $S = \mathbb{P}_k^2$  then we have  $Z = V(I)$  for a height one homogeneous prime ideal  $I$  (CHECK THIS). I am guessing that we can take  $I = (f)$  since  $k[X_0, X_1, X_2]$  is a UFD so height one primes are principal (MAKE SURE  $f$  is HOMOGENEOUS). Then  $Z = \text{Proj}(k[X_0, X_1, X_2]/(g))$  and I think  $\iota^{-1}(Z) = \text{Proj}(k[X_0, X_1, X_2]/(f, g))$  or equivalently  $V(g)$  in  $C = \text{Proj}(k[X_0, X_1, X_2]/(f))$ . So now reduce to when  $V(g)$  on a projective curve have support at only one point.

# 3 Weakly but not Strongly Toric Curve

Find a curve which is toric (i.e. weakly  $\Delta$ -nondegenerate for some  $\Delta$ ) but is never nondegenerate i.e. (never  $\Delta$ -nondegenerate for any  $\Delta$ ).

## 4 Affines in the Plane

**Exercise 4.1.** Given an example of an immersed curve  $C \hookrightarrow \mathbb{A}_k^2$  such that  $C$  is not (closed) embedded in any affine open of  $\mathbb{A}_k^2$ . Likewise, give an example of an immersed curve  $C \hookrightarrow \mathbb{P}_k^2$  such that  $C$  is not (closed) embedded in any affine open of  $\mathbb{P}_k^2$ .

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## 5 Why is this so hard

**Proposition 5.1.** There exists a smooth affine curve  $C$  over  $k$  with no immersion  $C \hookrightarrow \mathbb{A}_k^2$  and, in particular, no immersion  $C \hookrightarrow \mathbb{G}_m k^2$ . Thus, there are smooth affine curves which are not affine plane curves.

*Proof.* First, we show that if  $j : C \hookrightarrow \mathbb{A}_k^2$  is an immersion then  $\Omega_{C/k} \cong \mathcal{O}_C$  is trivial. We can factor  $j$  as  $C \hookrightarrow \bar{C} \hookrightarrow \mathbb{A}_k^2$  into an open immersion followed by a closed immersion [Stacks, Tag 03DQ]. Then  $\bar{C}$  □

Take an algebraically closed field  $k$ . Show the following,

- (a). if  $C \hookrightarrow \mathbb{P}_k^2$  is an immersion then there is a plane curve  $\bar{C} \subset \mathbb{A}_k^2$  (closed immersion) and an open immersion  $C \hookrightarrow \bar{C}$ .
- (b). for any closed curve  $\bar{C} \subset \mathbb{A}_k^2$  we have  $\Omega_{\bar{C}/k} = \mathcal{O}_C$
- (c). thus, since  $C \hookrightarrow \bar{C}$  is étale we have  $\Omega_{C/k} = \mathcal{O}_C$  so it suffices to construct a smooth affine curve with nontrivial canonical bundle  $\Omega_{C/k}$ .
- (d). Choose a curve  $C$  with genus  $g(C) \geq 2$  then  $\deg \Omega_{C/k} \geq 2$  and choose a point  $P \in C$  such that  $K_X \not\sim (2g-2)[P]$  for any  $k \in \mathbb{Z}$ .
- (e). Show that  $U = C \setminus \{P\}$  is affine,
- (f). Then  $U \hookrightarrow C$  is étale so  $\Omega_{U/k} = f^* \Omega_{C/k}$  so  $K_C \sim [P]$ .
- (g). Show that this is nontrivial using the exact sequence,

$$\mathbb{Z} \longrightarrow \text{Cl}(C) \longrightarrow \text{Cl}(U) \longrightarrow 0$$

the first map sending  $1 \mapsto [P]$  so we need to show that  $K_X \not\sim (2g-2)[P]$  for any  $k$ .

## 6 Supersingular Stuff Here

## 7 TODO

Milne's Notes on Etale Cohomology

Write notes on GAGA and analytification of a Scheme

Finish K-book

Finish Milne's Notes on Shimura Varieties

## 8 Questions For Johan

**Exercise 8.1.** Which hypersurfaces  $X \subset \mathbb{P}_k^n$  are rational. I managed to prove that only hyperplanes and conics  $X \subset \mathbb{P}_k^2$  are isomorphic to  $\mathbb{P}_k^{n-1}$  but which are actually rational?

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**Exercise 8.2.** Which hypersurfaces  $X \subset \mathbb{P}_k^n$  are of the form  $\mathbb{P}^{a_1} \times_k \cdots \times_k \mathbb{P}^{a_r}$ ?

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This might be trivial since in projective space all lines intersect but this is not true of these schemes.

**Exercise 8.3.** Is there a splitting principal in algebraic geometry?  
How difficult is it to compute the Atyiah class for a vector bundle? What tools are there to do this computation?

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**Exercise 8.4.** What is the “correct” definition of the Chern classes in algebraic geometry?

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## 9 Questions For Stack Exchange

**Exercise 9.1.** The thing about a function which only cuts out one point.

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**Exercise 9.2.** What does supersingularity actually mean.

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