

Remark: Homomorphism $f: X_1 \rightarrow X_2$ is induced by \mathbb{C} -linear $f: V_1 \rightarrow V_2$ s.t. $f(u_1) \in u_2$. Passing to

\mathbb{C} -duals gives $\hat{f}: \hat{V}_2 \rightarrow \hat{V}_1$ s.t. $\hat{f}(\hat{u}_2) \in \hat{u}_1$. This descends to $\hat{f}: \hat{X}_2 \rightarrow \hat{X}_1$.

Def: $f: X \rightarrow \hat{X}$ is symm. if $\hat{f} = f$. All such maps constitute $\text{Hom}_{\text{sym}}(X, \hat{X})$.

Prop: X complex torus $\Rightarrow \text{NS}(X) \xrightarrow{\sim} \text{Hom}_{\text{sym}}(X, \hat{X})$.

Pf: Recall $\text{NS}(X) = \{ \text{Hermitian } H: V \times V \rightarrow \mathbb{C} \text{ s.t. } \text{Im } H: u \times u \rightarrow \mathbb{Z} \}$.

$H \in \text{NS}(X) \rightsquigarrow V \rightarrow \text{Hom}_{\mathbb{C}}(V, \mathbb{C}) = \hat{V}$, $x \mapsto H(x, \cdot)$. Integrality condition on $H \Rightarrow u$ maps to $\hat{u} \rightsquigarrow X \rightarrow \hat{X}$.

One checks this is symm., which follows from $\overline{H(x, y)} = H(y, x)$.

Q: Which elts. of $\text{Hom}_{\text{sym}}(X, \hat{X})$ correspond to polarizations? What is the composition $\text{Pic}(X) \rightarrow \text{NS}(X) \xrightarrow{\sim} \text{Hom}_{\text{sym}}(X, \hat{X})$?

$L \in \text{Pic}(X) \rightsquigarrow \phi_L(x) = (t_x^* L) \otimes L^{-1} \in \text{Pic}(X)$ (for $x \in X$ and t_x left translation map). We get homomorphism

$\phi_L: X \rightarrow \text{Pic}^0(X) = \hat{X}$. $L \mapsto \phi_L$ is the desired composition. So, one answer is that a polarization of X

is a morphism $X \rightarrow \hat{X}$ of form ϕ_L w/ L ample.

Remark: This is not good! L is not uniquely determined. Over \mathbb{C} we want the morphism $X \rightarrow \hat{X}$ to be defined over

\mathbb{Q} (not some ext. field). Things are even worse for families of ab. var's.

Poincaré Bundle

$x \in \hat{X} = \text{Pic}^0(X)$ is a line bundle $\gamma_x \in \text{Pic}^0(X)$. γ_x depends holomorphically on x as follows.

Prop: $\exists!$ line bundle $\gamma \in \text{Pic}(X \times \hat{X})$ Poincaré bundle s.t.

- $\forall x \in \hat{X}$ restriction of γ to $X = X \times \{x\} \subseteq X \times \hat{X}$ is the line bundle γ_x that x "is".
- Restriction of γ to $\{0\} \times \hat{X} \subseteq X \times \hat{X}$ is trivial (and we know about the trivialization).

Pf: Write down Appell-Humbert data. $X \times \hat{X} = (V \times \hat{V}) / (u \times \hat{u})$. We need Hermitian form

$H: (V \times \hat{V}) \times (V \times \hat{V}) \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ and semi-char. $\alpha: u \times \hat{u} \rightarrow S^1$. $H((v, \hat{v}), (w, \hat{w})) = \overline{\hat{\alpha}(v)} + \hat{\alpha}(w)$.

$\alpha(u, \hat{u}) = e^{i\pi \text{Im } \hat{u}(u)}$.

Any map $f \in \text{Hom}(X, \hat{X}) \rightsquigarrow$ line bundle $\mathcal{P}_f := \left(\text{pullback Poincaré bundle } \mathcal{P} \text{ via } X \rightarrow X \times \hat{X} \right) \in \text{Pic}(X).$
 $\text{id}_X \times f$

OTOH, $L \in \text{Pic}(X) \rightsquigarrow \phi_L \in \text{Hom}_{\text{sym}}(X, \hat{X})$. These constructions are not inverse to one another.

Prop: (1) $f \in \text{Hom}_{\text{sym}}(X, \hat{X}) \Rightarrow \phi_{\mathcal{P}_f} = 2f$. (Probably $f + \hat{f}$ for general f .)

(2) $L \in \text{Pic}(X) \Rightarrow \mathcal{P}_{\phi_L} \otimes L^{-2} \in \text{Pic}^0(X)$.

(Best definition!)

Cor: $f \in \text{Hom}_{\text{sym}}(X, \hat{X}) \cong \text{NS}(X)$ is polarization iff $\mathcal{P}_f \in \text{Pic}(X)$ is ample.

(In fact, as we will need later, $\mathcal{P}_f^{\otimes 3}$ is very ample!)

(by Prop(2)).

Pf: f is polarization iff $f = \phi_L$ for ample $L \in \text{Pic}(X)$. But, L is ample iff $L^{\otimes 2}$ is ample iff \mathcal{P}_f ample. \square