

Last time:

$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} A\text{-scheme} \\ \text{morphisms } \iota: X \rightarrow \mathbb{P}_A^n \end{array} \right\}$

$$A^{n+1} \rightarrow \Gamma(X, \mathcal{L})$$

$$e_i \mapsto s_i$$

$$\left\{ (\mathcal{L}, \underbrace{s_0, \dots, s_n}_{\text{no common zeroes}}) \right\} / \sim$$

Useful language (with $A=k$)

Defn: A linear system (or linear series) on a k -scheme X is a k -vector space V along with a linear map

$$\lambda: V \rightarrow \Gamma(X, \mathcal{L}) \text{ for some line bundle } \mathcal{L}.$$

A base point of a linear system is a point $p \in X$ where every section in the linear system vanishes.

The base locus is the set of base points. The linear system is base-point-free if the base locus is empty.

So finite rank base-point-free linear systems correspond to morphisms to \mathbb{P}^n .

Example: $X = \mathbb{A}_k^2$, $\mathcal{L} = \mathcal{O}_X$, $V =$ linear system

spanned by the sections \underline{x}^2 and \underline{y}^2 of \mathcal{L} .

Then the base locus of V is $\{(0,0)\}$, so V

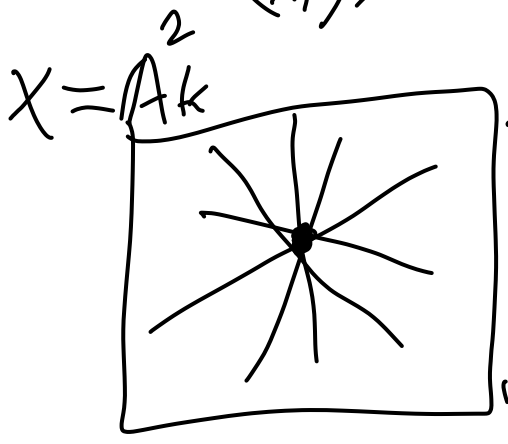
corresponds to a morphism

$$\mathbb{A}_k^2 - \{(0,0)\} \rightarrow \mathbb{P}_k^1$$

$$(x,y) \mapsto [x^2 : y^2]$$

linear system V \longleftrightarrow collection of Weil divisors on X that are all linearly equiv.

$\{ \text{div}(s) \mid s \in \text{im}(\chi: V \rightarrow \Gamma(X, \mathcal{L})) \}$
 $s \neq 0$



} divisors in linear system
 all contain base locus.
 "base" = "stationary part of moving family".

Def: If $\lambda: V \rightarrow \Gamma(X, \mathcal{L})$ is an isom (of k -v.s.),
 we say that V is the complete linear system of
 \mathcal{L} and we use the notation $|\mathcal{L}|$ for V , or
 for the corresponding map

$$|\mathcal{L}|: X - (\text{base locus of } |\mathcal{L}|) \rightarrow \mathbb{P}_k^n$$

if $\Gamma(X, \mathcal{L})$ is a finite rank k -vector space.
 ($n = \dim_k \Gamma(X, \mathcal{L}) - 1$)

(Def: The base locus of \mathcal{L} is the base locus of $|\mathcal{L}|$).

(assume \mathcal{L} base-point-free)
 $|\mathcal{L}|: X \rightarrow \mathbb{P}_k^n$

$$n = \dim_k \Gamma(X, \mathcal{L}) - 1$$

is defined by choosing a basis

s_0, \dots, s_n for $\Gamma(X, \mathcal{L})$,

and changing which basis is used effectively

composes $|\mathcal{L}|$ with an autom

$$\mathbb{P}_k^n \rightarrow \mathbb{P}_k^n \quad (\text{changing basis})$$

Applications (of our bijection) to situations where we understand $\text{Pic}(X)$:

1): $X = \mathbb{A}_k^m$, $\text{Pic}(X) = 0 = \{\mathcal{O}_X\}$

Any morphism $\pi: \mathbb{A}_k^m \rightarrow \mathbb{P}_k^n$ is given by $n+1$ sections of \mathcal{O}_X without a common zero, i.e.

$$(x_1, \dots, x_m) \mapsto [f_0 : \dots : f_n] \text{ for}$$

polynomials $f_0, \dots, f_n \in k[x_1, \dots, x_m]$ without a common zero.

2): $X = \mathbb{P}_k^n$, $\text{Pic}(X) = \{ \mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}_k^n}(d) \mid d \in \mathbb{Z} \} \cong \mathbb{Z}$.

Suppose $\pi: \mathbb{P}_k^m \rightarrow \mathbb{P}_k^n$ corresponds to $\mathcal{L} = \mathcal{O}_X(d)$,

i.e. $\pi^* \mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}_k^n}(1) \cong \mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}_k^m}(d)$ ("degree d morphism")

If $d < 0$, this is impossible because $|\mathcal{L}|$ is not base-point-free, since $\Gamma(X, \mathcal{L}) = 0$.

If $d = 0$, $\Gamma(X, \mathcal{L}) = k$, so a linear system is a functional $k^{n+1} \rightarrow k$

So we just get constant morphisms

$$\pi: \mathbb{P}_k^m \rightarrow \mathbb{P}_k^n, \text{ i.e. the image is a single closed } k\text{-valued point } [a_0: \dots: a_n].$$

$$\text{If } d > 0, \Gamma(X, \mathcal{L}^d) = \{ \text{homog. polys in } x_0, \dots, x_m \text{ of deg } d \},$$

and π is of the form

$$[x_0: \dots: x_m] \mapsto [f_0: \dots: f_n] \text{ for homog. polys } f_0, \dots, f_n \text{ of the same degree (and no common zero)}$$

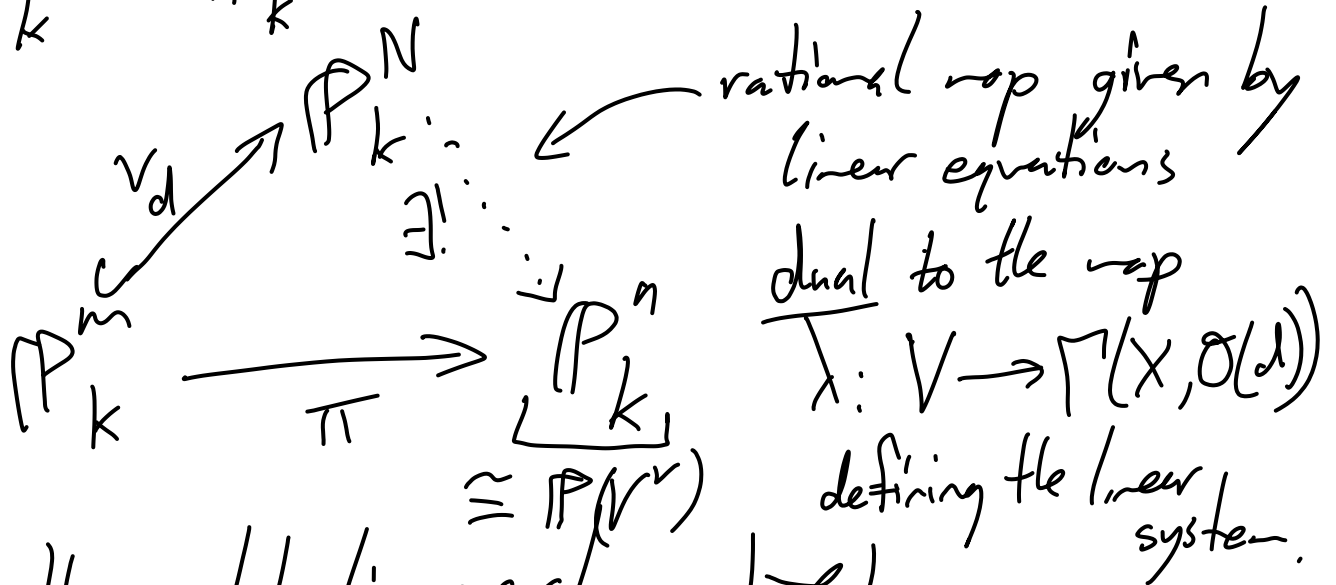
A nicer way to describe this: the complete linear system gives a morphism

$$|\mathcal{O}(d)|: \mathbb{P}_k^m \rightarrow \mathbb{P}_k^{\binom{m+d}{d}-1}$$

$$\text{Veronese embedding, } [x_0: \dots: x_m] \mapsto [x_0^d: x_0^{d-1}x_1: \dots: x_m^d]$$

Any other morphism "of degree d "

$\pi: \mathbb{P}_k^m \rightarrow \mathbb{P}_k^n$ then factors as



Moral: the complete linear systems $|L|$ are universal in the above sense.

Example
 If V is a f.d. k -vector space, we can define a graded ring $\text{Sym}^* V = \bigoplus_{n \geq 0} \text{Sym}^n V$.

If $V = k e_0 \oplus \dots \oplus k e_n$, then $\text{Sym}^* V = k[e_0, \dots, e_n]$.

Then $\text{Proj}(\text{Sym}^* V) \cong \mathbb{P}_k^n$.

But $e_i \in V$ defines a hyperplane $\{e_i = 0\} \subset \mathbb{P}_k^n$,

so $\text{Proj}(\text{Sym}^* V)$ is naturally viewed not as

$\mathbb{P}V := (V - \{0\}) / \text{scaling}$, but as $(V^V - \{0\}) / \text{scaling}$,

$$3) X = \mathbb{P}_k^{m_1} \times_{\text{Spec } k} \mathbb{P}_k^{m_2} \begin{array}{l} \xrightarrow{\text{pr}_1} \mathbb{P}^{m_1} \\ \searrow \text{pr}_2 \rightarrow \mathbb{P}^{m_2} \end{array}$$

Problem set 2: $\text{Pic}(X) \cong \mathbb{Z} \oplus \mathbb{Z}$

$$\mathcal{O}(d_1, d_2) := \text{pr}_1^* \mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}^{m_1}}(d_1) \otimes \text{pr}_2^* \mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}^{m_2}}(d_2)$$

Can again understand all morphisms $X \rightarrow \mathbb{P}_k^n$
by thinking about the complete linear systems

$$|\mathcal{O}(d_1, d_2)|$$

Various cases:

$|\mathcal{O}(1, 1)| : X \rightarrow \mathbb{P}^N$ ends up being the

Segre embedding

$$\mathbb{P}^{m_1} \times \mathbb{P}^{m_2} \hookrightarrow \mathbb{P}^{m_1 m_2 + m_1 + m_2}$$

You might enjoy thinking about

$|\mathcal{O}(1, 0)|$ and $|\mathcal{O}(d_1, d_2)|$ for $d_1, d_2 > 0$.

$$4) X = \text{Bl}_{(0,0)} \mathbb{A}_k^2, \text{Pic}(X) \cong \mathbb{Z}$$

Setup: X is a k -scheme

\mathcal{L} is a line bundle on X

$\Gamma(X, \mathcal{L})$ is finite rank (as a k -vector space)

If \mathcal{L} is base-point-free, then we have a morphism $|\mathcal{L}|: X \rightarrow \mathbb{P}_k^N$. We've seen that sometimes $|\mathcal{L}|$ is a closed embedding (Veronese, Segre).

Q: When is $|\mathcal{L}|$ a closed embedding?

Equivalently, when is $(X, \mathcal{L}) \cong (\text{Proj } S, \mathcal{O}_{\text{Proj } S}(1))$ for some graded ring S f.g. in deg 1 over $S_0 = k$?

Def: Such a line bundle L on a proper k -scheme is known as very ample.

Examples: $\mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}^n}(d)$ is very ample $\Leftrightarrow d > 0$

$\mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}^n \times \mathbb{P}^n}(d_1, d_2)$ is very ample
 $\Leftrightarrow d_1, d_2 > 0$.

If L_1, L_2 are very ample, then so is $L_1 \otimes L_2$.

Intuition: being very ample is some sort of "positivity" property saying that there are lots of global sections — enough to distinguish any two points.

With this in mind, the Serre twist

$$\mathcal{F} \rightsquigarrow \mathcal{F} \otimes L^{\otimes d} \quad \text{for } L = \underbrace{\mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}^n}(1)}_{\text{"L very ample"}}$$

should make \mathcal{F} "more positive" for $d \gg 0$.

Def: A qcsh sheaf $\tilde{\mathcal{F}}$ is globally generated if every stalk is generated by germs of global sections.

Examples: 1) Any qcsh sheaf on $\text{Spec } A$ is globally generated.

2) A line bundle \mathcal{L} is globally generated \iff it is base-point-free.

Thm: Let \mathcal{L} be a very ample line bundle
on the proper k -scheme X .

(i.e. $X = \text{Proj } S$, $\mathcal{L} = \mathcal{O}_{\text{Proj } S}(1)$)

Let \mathcal{F} be a finite type \mathcal{O}_X -sheaf on X .

Then for all d suff. large,

$\mathcal{F} \otimes \mathcal{L}^{\otimes d}$ is globally generated.

(stronger version in Vakil 16.6)