

Last time:

$E = (E, p \in E(k))$ elliptic curve (genus 1)

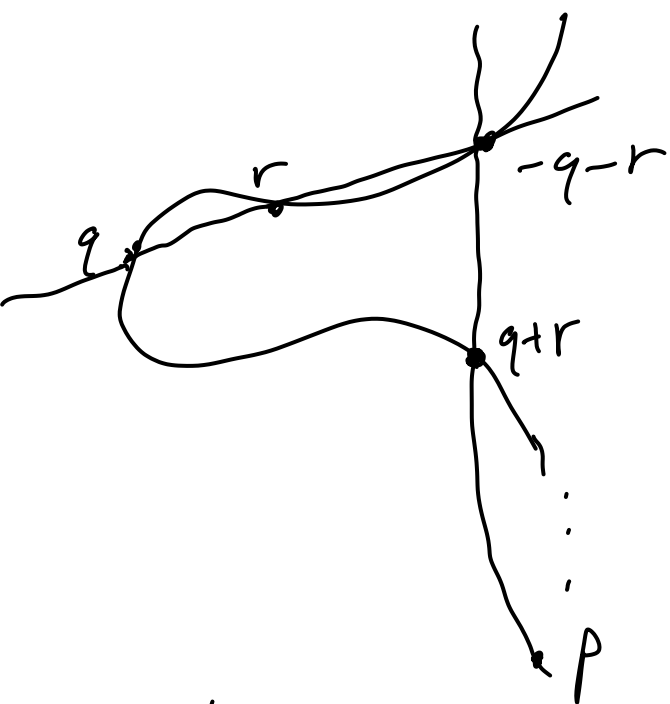
The set $E(k)$ of k -valued points of E is an abelian group via

$$E(k) \cong \text{Pic}^0(E) = \{ \text{deg } 0 \text{ line bundles on } E \} / \text{iso}$$

$$q \mapsto \mathcal{O}_E([q] - [p]).$$

The line bundle $\mathcal{O}(3[p])$ identifies E with a cubic plane curve.

Then the group operations can be computed geometrically:



Thm: E is a "group scheme/ k ",
i.e. there exist morphisms of
 k -schemes

$$e: \text{Spec } k \rightarrow E \quad (0 \in G)$$

$$i: E \rightarrow E \quad (g \mapsto -g)$$

$$m: E \times_k E \rightarrow E \quad ((g, h) \mapsto g+h)$$

satisfying all the axioms of a group

$$\left(\begin{array}{ccccc} E & \xrightarrow{(i, \text{id})} & E \times_k E & \xrightarrow{m} & E \\ & & \searrow & \nearrow e & \\ & & \text{Spec } k & & \end{array} \right) \text{ commutes, etc.}$$

Pf: write out equations
for $(q, r) \mapsto -q-r$ \square

Cor: Suppose $g \in E(k)$. Then

$$E \xrightarrow{(g, \text{id})} E \times_k E \xrightarrow{m} E \text{ is an auto-orphis- of}$$

the underlying genus 1 curve E mapping p to g .

Cor: Suppose $k = \bar{k}$. Then

$$\{\text{genus 1 curves}\} / \text{iso} \cong \{\text{elliptic curves}\} / \text{iso}$$

$$\cong \left\{ S \subset \mathbb{P}_k^1(k) \mid |S| = 4 \right\} / \text{PGL}_2.$$

$$\left(\begin{array}{l} \text{double cover} \\ |\mathcal{O}_E(2p)| : E \rightarrow \mathbb{P}_k^1 \end{array} \right)$$

Plan for final month:

- 8 days of class (counting today)
- ~5 days on differentials (Ch. 21)
 - = one final problem set on this, posted next week
 - and due 2 weeks from today.
- ~3 days on proving Riemann-Roch.
- final project (paper or oral exam/presentation)
 - on a topic of your choice.
 - document with more about this on my website (below the problem sets), including sample topics.
- due at end of classes (April 20)

Differentials:

Basic motivation: if X is regular of dim n , we think of X as a manifold of dim n , and we would like tangent and cotangent bundles on X .

Recall: if $p \in X$, the cotangent space to X at p is

$$T_{X,p}^v := \underbrace{m_p/m_p^2}_{\text{a } k_p\text{-vector space}} \text{ for max. ideal } m_p \subset \mathcal{O}_{X,p}$$

It's natural to ask for a coh. sheaf T_X^v on X whose fiber at p is $T_{X,p}^v$.

But this isn't quite right:

$$\dim_{k_p} T_{X,p}^v = \begin{cases} \text{codim}_X p & \text{if } X \text{ regular at } p \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases} \text{ is not a "good" function of } p.$$

In particular, if η is a generic point for an integral scheme X , then

$T_{X,\eta}^v = 0$, but we certainly don't want our cotangent sheaf to have 0 fiber at η (since then sheaf would be 0)

Two obstacles/mysteries:

- 1) How do we construct a sheaf combining (some of) the vector spaces $T_{X,p}^V$?
- 2) What's going on at non-closed points?

Idea/generalization that helps us: the cotangent sheaf should really be a relative concept:

given a morphism $\pi: X \rightarrow Y$, we will define a relative cotangent sheaf (of sheaf of relative differentials)

$$\Omega_{\pi} = \Omega_{X/Y} \text{ on } X.$$

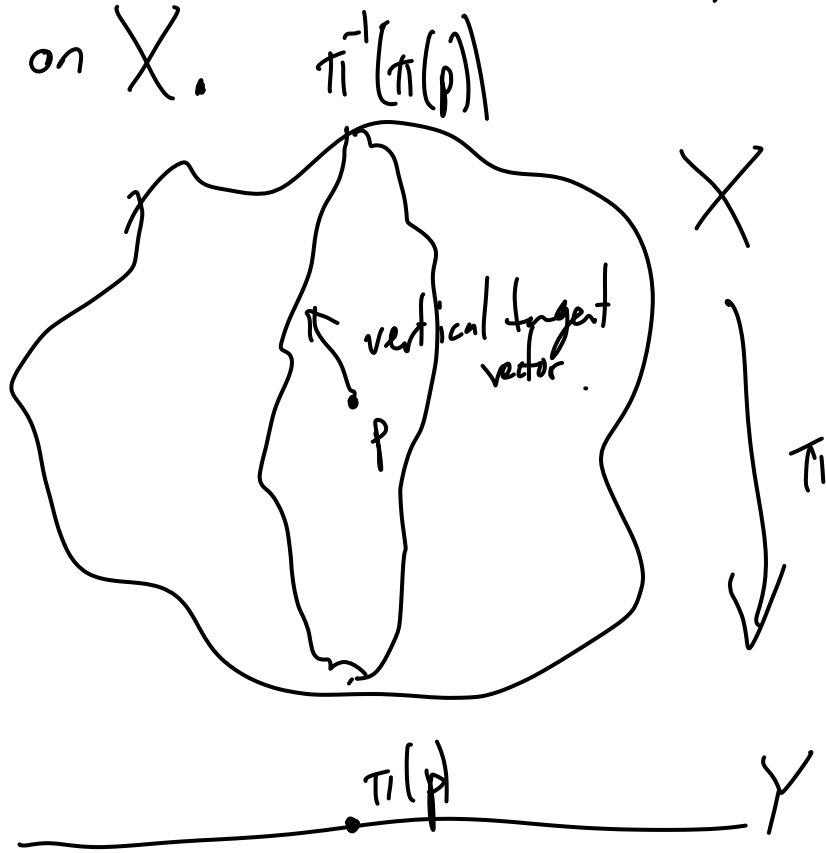
Geometric interpretation:

"vertical" (in the fiber direction)

(co)tangent vectors

$$T_X^V := \Omega_{X/\text{Spec } k}$$

for a k -variety X



Two approaches to constructing $\Omega_{X/Y}$:

1) direct description on affines:

Suppose $X = \text{Spec } A, Y = \text{Spec } B$ (so A is a B -alg).

We want an A -module $\Omega_{A/B}$.

Def: $d: A \rightarrow \Omega_{A/B}$ is the universal B -linear derivation of A ,

i.e. a map of B -modules satisfying

$$d(fg) = \underbrace{f \cdot d(g)}_{\text{using the } A\text{-mod structure on } \Omega_{A/B}} + g \cdot d(f) \text{ for all } f, g \in A,$$

such that any other such $d': A \rightarrow M$ factors uniquely through d :

$$\begin{array}{ccc} A & \xrightarrow{d} & \Omega_{A/B} \\ & \searrow d' & \downarrow \circ \\ & & M \end{array} \quad \exists! \text{ morphism of } A\text{-modules.}$$

Construction of $\Omega_{A/B}$: if $A \cong B[t_1, \dots, t_n]/(f_1, \dots, f_m)$

have $\Omega_{A/B} = \bigoplus_{i=1}^n A \cdot dt_i / \left(\underbrace{dt_1, \dots, dt_m}_{\substack{\text{expanded in terms of} \\ \text{the } dt_i \text{ using Leibniz}}} \right)$

Can do computations with $\Omega_{A/B}$ easily
— behaves like 1-forms in calculus.

Remark: alg. motivation for all of this:
if A is a k -alg and $\mathfrak{m} \subset A$ is a max. ideal
with $A/\mathfrak{m} = k$, then a
 k -linear derivation $d: A \rightarrow A/\mathfrak{m}$ is the
same thing as an element of $(\mathfrak{m}/\mathfrak{m}^2)^\vee$.
"universal derivation = dual space to space of derivations"

2) Second approach to $S_{X/Y}$:

Idea: if $\mathfrak{m} \subset A$ is maximal, $\mathfrak{m}/\mathfrak{m}^2$ is the cotangent space to the closed point $\text{Spec } A/\mathfrak{m}$ inside $\text{Spec } A$.

What happens if we replace \mathfrak{m} with a non-maximal ideal $I \subset A$?

Hope: (true): I/I^2 is the conormal sheaf to the closed subscheme $\text{Spec } A/I$ inside $\text{Spec } A$.

(I/I^2 is an A/I -module, so should correspond to some qcoh sheaf on $\text{Spec } A/I$)

We can extend this further: suppose $Z \hookrightarrow X$ is a closed subscheme with ideal sheaf \mathcal{I}_Z . Then

$\mathcal{I}_Z/\mathcal{I}_Z^2$ is a qcoh sheaf on X .

With a little thought: this is actually naturally a qcoh sheaf on Z .

Def: The conormal sheaf of $Z \xrightarrow{\text{closed}} X$ is

$$\mathcal{N}_{Z/X}^v := \mathcal{I}_Z / \mathcal{I}_Z^2.$$

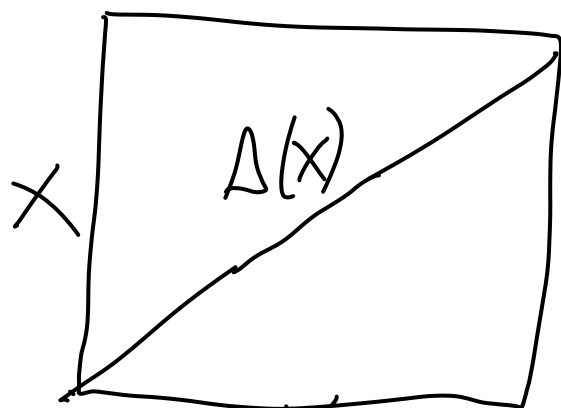
Why does ^{this} help with defining $\Omega_{X/Y}$?

Suppose $\pi: X \rightarrow Y$ is separated, so

$\Delta: X \rightarrow X \times_Y X$ is a closed embedding.

Then we can describe the relative cotangent sheaf as

$$\Omega_{X/Y} := \mathcal{N}_{X/X \times_Y X}^v.$$



$X \times_Y X$

intuition

$$\mathcal{N}_{X/X \times_Y X}^v = T_{X \times_Y X} / T_{\Delta(X)}$$

$$= T_X \times T_X / \Delta(T_X)$$

$$\cong T_X.$$

Algebra check: this agrees with earlier description of $\Omega_{A/B}$.