

# Organizational stuff

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# Topic of course

elliptic curves...

and their moduli spaces...

as the Shimura variety for  $GL_2$ .

## I. Shimura varieties

= rich topic, connects geometry  
(differential and algebraic), arithmetic,  
representation theory (of groups such as  
 $GL_n(\mathbb{C})$ ,  $GL_n(\mathbb{R})$ ,  $GL_n(\mathbb{Q}_p)$ , ...)

- the general definition is not so easy to  
digest:

•  $(G, X)$  a Shimura datum

-  $G$  connected reductive alg. group /  $\mathbb{Q}$

-  $X$  a  $G(\mathbb{R})$ -conj. class of

homom  $\mathbb{S} \rightarrow G_{\mathbb{R}}$ ,

$\mathbb{S} = \text{Res}_{\mathbb{C}/\mathbb{R}} \mathbb{G}_m$  " =  $\mathbb{C}^\times$  as an alg. gp /  $\mathbb{R}$ "

"Deligne torus"

Aside The Deligne tensor  $\otimes$  (cf. Problem sheet 1)

$$\bullet \quad \mathcal{S} = \text{Res}_{\mathbb{C}/\mathbb{R}} \text{Hom}, \text{ v.e.} \quad \mathcal{S}(T) = \text{Hom}(T \otimes_{\mathbb{R}} \mathbb{C}) \\ = \Gamma(T_{\mathbb{C}}, \mathcal{O}_{T_{\mathbb{C}}})^{\times},$$

in particular

$$\mathcal{S}(\mathbb{R}) = \mathbb{C}^{\times}$$

$$\mathcal{S}(\mathbb{C}) = \mathbb{C}^{\times} \times \mathbb{C}^{\times},$$

$$\mathcal{S}_{\mathbb{C}} = \text{Hom}_{\mathbb{R}} \times \text{Hom}_{\mathbb{C}} \\ \uparrow \\ \text{cpl conj. } \tau$$

$V$  a  $k$ -v.s.,  $k$  a field

$$\rho: \mathbb{C}^n \rightarrow GL(V) \xrightarrow{1-1} \text{grading } V = \bigoplus_{i \in \mathbb{Z}^r} V_i$$

Lemma  $\rho(z)$  diagonalizable (over  $k$  d.f.)  $V_i = \{v \in V; \rho(z)v = z^i v \forall z \in \mathbb{C}^r\}$

$V$  an  $\mathbb{R}$ -v.s.,  $\rho: \mathbb{S} \rightarrow GL(V)$

$$\Leftrightarrow V_{\mathbb{C}} = \bigoplus_{p,q \in \mathbb{Z}} V^{p,q} \quad \hookrightarrow \text{cpl conj.}, \quad \left. \begin{array}{l} \text{Hodge} \\ \text{structure} \\ \text{on } V \end{array} \right\}$$

$$(*) \quad \overline{V^{p,q}} = V^{q,p} \text{ inside } V_{\mathbb{C}}.$$

$$\left( \Leftrightarrow \forall v \in V^{p,q} \exists \bar{v} \in \overline{V^{p,q}}: \rho(\bar{z})\bar{v} = \overline{z^{(q,p)}}\bar{v} = \overline{z^{(p,q)}}\bar{v} = \overline{\rho(z)v} \right)$$

need to show:

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \mathbb{S} & \xrightarrow{\exists} & GL(V) \\ \uparrow & & \uparrow \\ \mathbb{S}_{\mathbb{C}} & \xrightarrow{\rho} & GL(V_{\mathbb{C}}) \end{array} \quad (\Rightarrow) \quad (*)$$

descent theory,

$$\text{have } \Gamma(\mathbb{S}, \mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{S}}) = \Gamma(\mathbb{S}_{\mathbb{C}}, \mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{S}_{\mathbb{C}}})^{\mathbb{Z}}$$

form for  $GL_n$

$\rho$  comp. with cpl conj.

such that

(SV1)  $\forall h \in X$ , the Hodge structure on  $\text{Lie}(G_{\mathbb{R}})$   
 def'd by  $\text{Ad} \circ h: \mathbb{S} \rightarrow G_{\mathbb{R}} \rightarrow \text{GL}(\text{Lie}(G_{\mathbb{R}}))$   
 is of type  $\{(-1,1), (0,0), (1,-1)\}$

(SV2)  $\forall h \in X$ :  $\text{Int}(h(i))$  is a Cartan invol. of  $G_{\mathbb{R}}^{\text{ad}}$

(SV3)  $G^{\text{ad}}$  has no  $\mathbb{Q}$ -factor on which  $h$  is trivial

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 $G/\mathbb{Z}(G)$ ,  $\mathbb{Z}(G) \subseteq G$  the center of  $G$  (the "adjoint group" of  $G$ )

-  $K \subset G(\mathbb{A}_f)$  compact open, [usually assume sufficiently small]

$(\mathbb{A}_f = \prod_p \mathbb{Z}_p) \otimes_{\mathbb{Z}} \mathbb{Q}$  finite adèle, topological ring

$$\leadsto S_K(\mathbb{C}) = G(\mathbb{Q}) \backslash (X \times G(\mathbb{A}_f) / K),$$

Thm  $S_K(\mathbb{C}) =$  the  $\mathbb{C}$ -valued pts of a quasi-proj. [smooth] complex variety  $S_K$ .

Example

(1)  $GL_2$ ,  $h_0(a+ib) = \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ -b & a \end{pmatrix}$ ,

$X \cong \mathbb{C} \setminus \mathbb{R}$ ,  $h_0 \leftrightarrow i$

$(GL_2(\mathbb{R}) \backslash \mathbb{C}) / K: \left( \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix} \middle| z = \frac{az+b}{cz+d} \right)$

(2)  $\nexists$  Shimura datum  $(G, X)$  for  $G = GL_n$ ,  $n > 2$ .

Cartan involution.  $G/\mathbb{R}$  linear alg. gp

$\theta: G \rightarrow G$  involution (gp. autom with  $\theta^2 = \text{id}$ )

n.b.  $G^{(\theta)} = \{g; \theta(g) = \bar{g}\}$  compact.

(exists iff  $G$  reduction iff  $G$  has cpt real form)

Example:  $G = \text{GL}_n$ ,  $g \mapsto (g^t)^{-1}$ .

If  $G$  has a Cartan invol  $\theta$ , then can embed

$G \hookrightarrow \text{GL}_n$  n.b.  $\theta$  is the restriction of  $g \mapsto (g^t)^{-1}$  to  $G$ .

Example For  $n > 2$ , there is no Shimura datum for  $\text{GL}_n$ .

In fact, the (basically unique) Cartan involution

is  $g \mapsto (g^t)^{-1}$ , but in general  $(g^t)^{-1}$  is not

conjugate to  $g$  in  $\text{PGL}_n$  (not even for  $g$

a diagonal matrix).

(compare  $\text{GL}_2$ :  $\begin{pmatrix} -1 & 1 \\ -1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} a & \\ & a_2 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} -1 & 1 \\ -1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} a_2 & \\ & a_1 \end{pmatrix} = \det \cdot \begin{pmatrix} a_1^{-1} & \\ & a_2^{-1} \end{pmatrix}$ )

# Structure of $G(\mathbb{Q}) \backslash X \times G(\mathbb{A}_f) / K$ :

- $G(\mathbb{Q})_+ = G(\mathbb{Q}) \cap G(\mathbb{R})_+$  with  
let  $X^+ \subseteq X$  be a connected comp.

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 G(\mathbb{R})_+ & \hookrightarrow & G(\mathbb{R}) \\
 \downarrow & \square & \downarrow \\
 G^{\text{ad}}(\mathbb{R})^+ & \subseteq & G^{\text{ad}}(\mathbb{R}) \\
 \text{identity} & & \\
 \text{comp.} & & 
 \end{array}$$

then  $G(\mathbb{Q})_+ \backslash (X^+ \times G(\mathbb{A}_f)) \rightarrow G(\mathbb{Q}) \backslash (X \times G(\mathbb{A}_f))$   
is a bijection. (Key pt:  $G(\mathbb{Q}) \subseteq G(\mathbb{R})$  dense "real approx.")

- $G(\mathbb{Q})_+ \backslash G(\mathbb{A}_f) / K$  is a finite set

Keypts: ① Strong approximation:

$G/\mathbb{Q}$  semisimple, simply connected,  $\Lambda$  non-cpt type } Examples:  
 $SL_n, Sp_{2n}$

cpt type:  $G(\mathbb{R})$  cpt

non-cpt type: does not contain non-trivial normal subgroup of cpt type

$\Rightarrow G(\mathbb{Q}) \subseteq G(\mathbb{A}_f)$  dense

[OTOH,  $G(\mathbb{Q}) \subseteq G(\mathbb{A}_f)$  not dense for,  
e.g.,  $G = GL_n, G = PGL_n$  Milne-SVI Rank 4.17]

From strong approx:  $\rightarrow G(\mathbb{Q}) \subseteq G(\mathbb{A}_f) / K$  dense  
 $K \subseteq G(\mathbb{A}_f)$  open discrete

$\rightarrow G(\mathbb{Q}) \backslash G(\mathbb{A}_f) / K = \{pt\}$

With a bit more work, this reduces the question to the case of tori.

$$\textcircled{2} \quad T/\mathbb{Q} \text{ tors } \rightarrow T(\mathbb{Q}) \backslash T(A_f) / T(\hat{\mathbb{Z}})$$

finite, where

$$T(\mathbb{Z}_\ell) = \{a \in T(\mathbb{Q}_\ell); \chi(a) \in \bar{\mathbb{Z}}_\ell^\times \forall \chi \in X^*(T)\}$$

$$T(\hat{\mathbb{Z}}) = \prod T(\mathbb{Z}_\ell)$$

### Example

If  $F/\mathbb{Q}$  finite,  $T = \text{Res}_{F/\mathbb{Q}} \text{Gal} = F^\times$  as alg. gp/ $\mathbb{Q}$ ,

then  $T_{\bar{\mathbb{Q}}} = \prod_{\sigma: F \hookrightarrow \bar{\mathbb{Q}}} \text{Gal}_{m, \bar{\mathbb{Q}}}$ ,  $X^*(T) = \sum^{\text{Hom}(F, \bar{\mathbb{Q}})}$ ,

$$T(\mathbb{Z}_\ell) = (\mathbb{Z}_\ell \otimes_{\mathbb{Q}} F)^\times = \prod_{\substack{v \in \text{Pl}(F) \\ v|\ell}} \mathcal{O}_{F, v}^\times, \quad T(\hat{\mathbb{Z}}) = \prod_v \mathcal{O}_{F, v}^\times$$

$$\rightarrow T(\mathbb{Q}) \backslash T(A_f) / T(\hat{\mathbb{Z}}) = F^\times \backslash \underbrace{\mathbb{A}_{F, f}^\times / \prod_v \mathcal{O}_{F, v}^\times}_{= Z'(\text{Spec } \mathcal{O}_F) = \text{the gp of Weil divisors on Spec } \mathcal{O}_F}$$

principal divisors

$$= \mathcal{C}(F), \text{ the class group of } F.$$

So in this case, the statement becomes

the theorem of the finiteness of the class group.



- Now let  $\mathcal{C} \subset \text{GL}(A_f)$  be a system of represent.  
for  $\text{GL}(A)_+ \backslash \text{GL}(A_f)/K$ .

For  $g \in \mathcal{C}$ , put  $\Gamma_g = gKg^{-1} \cap \text{GL}(A)_+$ .

then there is a natural homeomorphism

$$\text{GL}(A) \backslash (X \times \text{GL}(A_f)/K) \xrightarrow{\cong} \coprod_{g \in \mathcal{C}} \Gamma_g \backslash X^+.$$

$$[\alpha, g] \longleftarrow \underbrace{\hspace{10em}}_{\psi} \longrightarrow X$$

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Prop  $X^+$  (equivalently,  $X$ ) carries a natural complex structure: Write  $\mathfrak{g} = \text{Lie}(G_{\mathbb{R}})$

•  $T_h X^+$  (the tangent space of the real mf  $X^+$  at  $h \in X^+$ )

can be identified with  $\mathfrak{g}/L^{\infty}$   
(since  $L^{\infty} = \text{Lie}(\text{Stab}_{G_{\mathbb{R}}}(h))$ )

$$\text{where } L^{\infty} \otimes_{\mathbb{R}} \mathbb{C} = \mathfrak{g}_{\mathbb{C}}^{\infty} \subseteq \mathfrak{g}_{\mathbb{C}}$$

and

$$\mathfrak{g}/L^{\infty} \xrightarrow{\sim} \mathfrak{g}_{\mathbb{C}}/F^0 \mathfrak{g}_{\mathbb{C}},$$

$$F^r \mathfrak{g}_{\mathbb{C}} = \bigoplus_{p \geq r} \mathfrak{g}_{\mathbb{C}}^{p,q}$$

a complex vector space.

• Similarly, given any injective representation  $G_{\mathbb{R}} \hookrightarrow GL(V)$ ,

the map  $X^+ \xrightarrow{\varphi} \text{Flag}(V_{\mathbb{C}})$

$h \mapsto (F^r)_h$

← the Hodge filtration given by  $h$

has the property that  $(d\varphi)_h$  identifies  $T_h X^t$   
with a complex subspace of  $T_{\varphi(h)} \text{Flag}$ .

It follows that  $\varphi$  identifies  $X^t$  with an  
open (complex!) submanifold of  $\text{Flag}$ .

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Until this point we used only part of

axiom (SV1): it was enough to know

that each  $h$  induces, on  $\text{Lie}(G_{\mathbb{R}})$ , a Hodge  
structure of weight 0, i.e.  $p+q=0 \quad \forall p, q$  with  $V^p \neq 0$ .

Moreover, one can show: ([Deligne, Corvallis, 1.1.14])

• (SV1)  $(\Rightarrow)$  for  $G_{\mathbb{R}} \rightarrow \text{GL}(V)$ , the family  
of HS on  $V$  given by  $X$  is  
a "variation of Hodge structures",  
i.e. satisfies Griffiths transversality  
(1.5 lines in loc. cit.)

• (SV2)  $(\Rightarrow)$  for  $G_{\mathbb{R}} \rightarrow \text{GL}(V)$  defining a family of HS on  $V$   
of weight  $n$ , there ex.  $\psi: V \otimes V \rightarrow \mathbb{R}(-n)$   
which induces for each  $h$  a polarization of  
the HS given by  $h$ .

# From "complex" to "algebraic"

Thm (Barth - Borel) The complex space  $\Gamma \backslash X^+$

is (the analytification of) a quasi-projective algebraic variety /  $\mathbb{C}$  (smooth if  $\Gamma$  suff. small), i.e. an open subvariety of a projective (normal, but typically non-smooth)  $\mathbb{C}$ -scheme  $(\Gamma \backslash X^+)^{\sharp}$ , the BB compactification of  $\Gamma \backslash X^+$ .

Remark For simplicity, we phrased the BB thm for the quotient  $\Gamma \backslash X^+$  arising from a Shimura datum as explained above.

What we need is that

- $X^+$  is a hermitian symmetric domain
- $\Gamma \subset \text{Hol}(X^+)$  is an arithmetic subgroup (a crucial condition for getting algebraicity and a severe restriction on  $\Gamma$ ).

(For an alg. gp  $G/\mathbb{Q}$ , a subgroup  $\Gamma \subset G(\mathbb{Q})$  is arithmetic, if for some (equiv. for every) algebraic embedding  $G \hookrightarrow \text{GL}_n(\mathbb{Q})$  as a closed subgroup,

$\Gamma \cap \text{GL}_n(\mathbb{Z})$  has finite index in  $\Gamma$  and in  $\text{GL}_n(\mathbb{Z})$ )

("  $\Gamma$  is commensurable with  $\text{GL}_n(\mathbb{Z})$  ")

A subgroup  $\Gamma$  of a connected real Lie group  $H$  (e.g.,  $H = \text{Hol}(X^+)^+$ , the identity component of the group of automorphisms of the complex manifold  $X^+$ ), is arithmetic, if there exists an alg. group  $G/\mathbb{Q}$ , an arithmetic subgroup  $\Gamma_0 \subset G(\mathbb{Q})$ , a surjective homomorphism  $G(\mathbb{R})^+ \rightarrow H$  of real Lie groups with compact kernel n.t.  $\Gamma_0 \cap G(\mathbb{R})^+$  maps onto  $\Gamma$ .

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For a Shimura datum  $(G, X)$  and  $K \subset G(\mathbb{A}_f)$  compact open,  $K \cap G(\mathbb{Q}) \subset G(\mathbb{Q})$  is a "congruence subgroup", i.e. contains  $\Gamma(N) = G(\mathbb{Q}) \cap \Gamma_{G_{\mathbb{Z}}}(N)$  for some embedding  $G \subset G_{\mathbb{Z}}$ . A fortiori,  $K \cap G(\mathbb{Q})$  is arithmetic.

Conversely, every congruence subgroup of  $G(\mathbb{Q})$  is of the form  $K \cap G(\mathbb{Q})$  for some  $K \subset G(\mathbb{A}_f)$  compact open.

In particular, the notion of congruence subgroup is independent of the embedding

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Thm (Borel) The algebraic structure on  $\mathbb{F}_g[X^*]$   
is uniquely determined.

Reference [Milne, Intro to Shimura var's], Q.3, Ch.5.

Aside the analytification functor ([GW2] section (20.12))

$$\left( \text{Sche } \text{ft}/\mathbb{C} \right) \rightarrow \left( \begin{array}{c} \text{Complex} \\ \text{analytic} \\ \text{spaces} \end{array} \right) \quad \text{v.b.} \quad X^{\text{an}} \xrightarrow{1:1} X(\mathbb{C})$$

$$X \longmapsto X^{\text{an}}$$

Dictionary for properties of  $X / X^{\text{an}}$ :

$X$	$X^{\text{an}}$
smooth/ $\mathbb{C}$	complex manifold
separated	Hausdorff
proper	Compact ( $:=$ Hausdorff + quasi-compact)
isomorphism	isomorphism

locally ringed spaces that look locally like zero sets of finitely many holomorphic fcts on  $\mathbb{C}^n$

(locally for analytic topology, structure sheaf on  $\mathbb{C}^n$  given by holomorphic fcts)

NB.  $X^{\text{an}} \cong Y^{\text{an}} \not\Rightarrow X \cong Y$

$-^{\text{an}}$  is not a full functor: ex:  $\mathbb{C} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$  ( $\mathbb{C} = A_{\mathbb{C}}^{\text{an}}$ )

Theorem (1)  $-^{\text{an}}: \left( \begin{array}{c} \text{proper} \\ \mathbb{C}\text{-sch.} \end{array} \right) \rightarrow \left( \begin{array}{c} \text{cpt cpl} \\ \text{anal sp.} \end{array} \right)$  fully faithful

(2) Chow's theorem

$-^{\text{an}}: \left( \begin{array}{c} \text{projective} \\ \mathbb{C}\text{-schemes} \end{array} \right) \rightarrow \left( \begin{array}{c} \text{cpt anal sp. which} \\ \text{admit closed anal. emb. } \hookrightarrow \mathbb{P}^n(\mathbb{C}) \end{array} \right)$  equiv. of cat.

(use GAGA ... then for (1) represent morphisms by their graphs)

We will discuss the theorem of Beilinson and Bondi in the case of modular curves in more detail below.

The theorem of Bondi rests on the following surprising fact

Then Consider  $\Gamma \backslash X^+$  as before, and assume  $\Gamma$  is torsion-free. Let  $V$  be a smooth quasi-proj.  $\mathbb{C}$ -scheme. Then every holomorphic map  $V^{\text{an}} \rightarrow \Gamma \backslash X^+$  is the analytification of a morphism of  $\mathbb{C}$ -schemes.

Key lemma Let  $D$  be the open cpl. unit disk,  $D = \{z \in \mathbb{C}; |z| < 1\}$ , and  $D^* = D \setminus \{0\}$  be the punctured disk.

Every holom. map  $(D^*)^r \times D^s \rightarrow \Gamma \backslash X^+$  extends to a holom. map  $D^{r+s} \rightarrow (\Gamma \backslash X^+)^*$  of cpl. spaces.

Proof. Picard's big theorem: If  $f$  is holom. on  $D^*$  with a essential singularity at 0 then  $\#\mathbb{C} \setminus f(D^*) \leq 1$ .

IOW: every holomorphic  $f: D^* \rightarrow \mathbb{P}^1(\mathbb{C}) \setminus \{0, 1, \infty\}$  extends to  $D \rightarrow \mathbb{P}^1(\mathbb{C})$ .



Given the lemma, to prove the theorem let

$V^*$  proj. smooth /  $\mathbb{C}$  n.t.  $V \subseteq V^*$  open dense and

$V^* \setminus V$  is a divisor with normal crossings (dnc)

(the existence of  $V^*$  follows from Hironaka's theorem or resolution of singularities).

Then locally the inclusion  $V \hookrightarrow V^*$  looks like

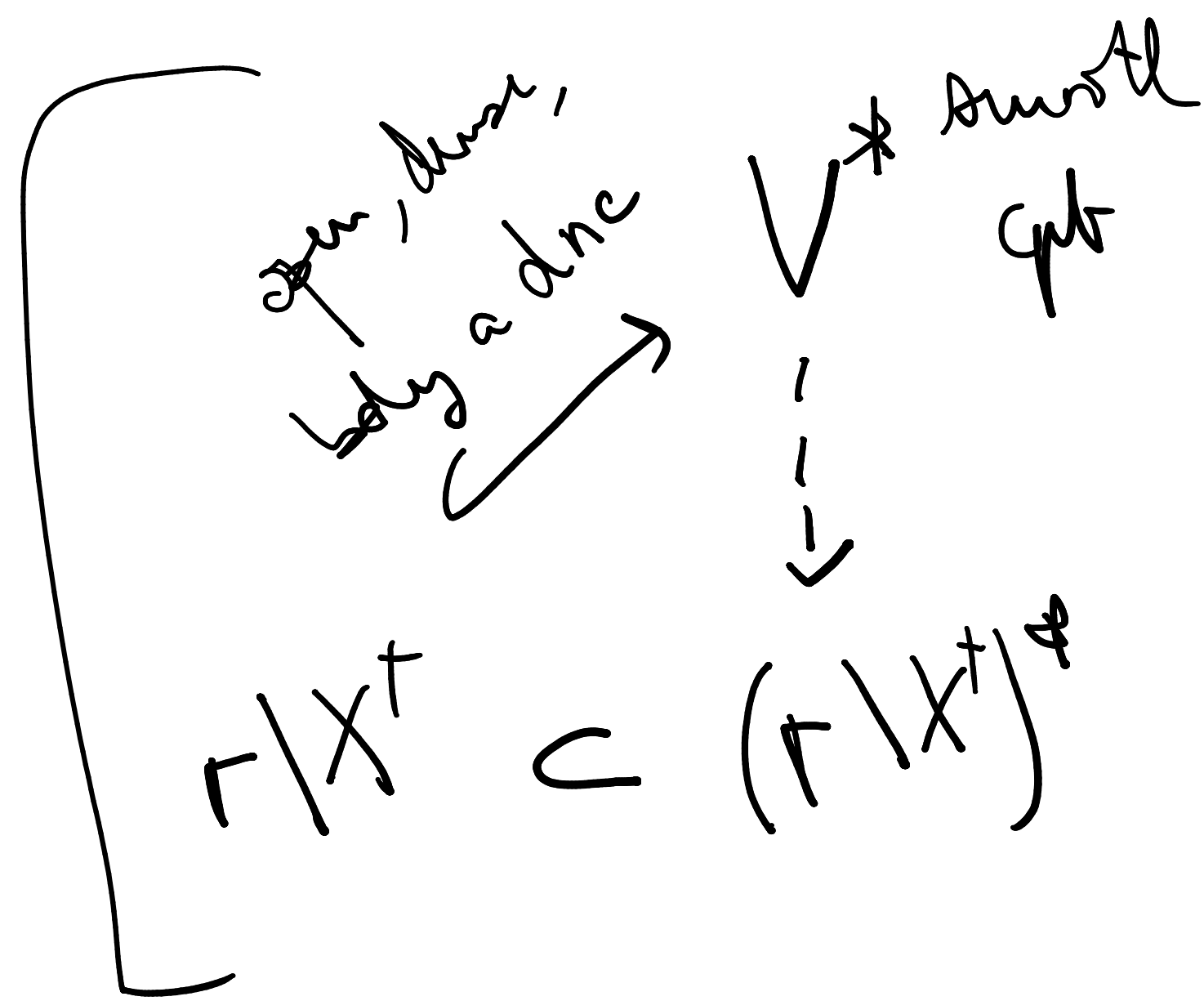
$(\mathbb{D}^1)^r \times \mathbb{D}^s \hookrightarrow \mathbb{D}^{r+s}$ . By the lemma we obtain

$(V^*)^{\text{an}} \rightarrow (r/X^+)^*$  and the result follows from

Chow's theorem.

*proof*  
→ the BB compactification has the following minimality property:

(and is therefore sometimes called the minimal compactification)



Reference Milne - [VI], Ch. 3

# The $G(A_f)$ -action

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For  $K' \subseteq K \subset G(A_f)$  open, suff. small, have  
projection  $S_{K'} \rightarrow S_K$ , a finite étale morphism.

$\leadsto$  inverse system  $(S_K)_K$

For  $h \in G(A_f)$ , have isomorphism

$$G(A_f) \backslash (X \times G(A_f)/K) \xrightarrow{\sim} G(A_f) \backslash (X \times G(A_f)/h^{-1}Kh)$$

$$(x, g) \longmapsto (x, gh)$$

$gh$

$\leadsto$   $G(A_f)$  acts on the inverse system  $(S_K)_K$

(One can also pass to the inverse limit scheme

$\lim S_K$  which requires an honest  $G(A_f)$ -action

(but is not of finite type & anymore).)

## Theorem (Shimura, Deligne)

The variety  $S_K$  is defined over a number field  $E$  (the "reflex field") (!)

which is independent of  $K$  (!),

more precisely, there ex. a "canonical" model

$$\underline{S}_K / E \text{ s.t. } \underline{S}_K \otimes_E \mathbb{C} \cong S_K,$$

and the  $G(\mathbb{A}_f)$ -action "descends" to  $(\underline{S}_K)_K$

Foundational idea for "canonical" (think of this as a uniqueness statement):

Lemma Let  $K$  be a field of char. 0 and let  $L$  be an alg. closed extension field of  $K$ .

The natural functor

$$\left( \begin{array}{l} \text{reduced separated} \\ \text{finite type schemes } X \end{array} \right) \xrightarrow{\text{reduced sep.}} \left( \begin{array}{l} \text{ft schemes } Y/L \\ + \text{Aut}(L/K) \curvearrowright Y(L) \end{array} \right)$$

$$X \longmapsto X \otimes_K L + \text{Aut}(L/K) \curvearrowright X(L)$$

natural action

is fully faithful.

→ need to pin down the action

$$\text{Aut}(\mathbb{C}/\mathbb{E}) \cong S_k(\mathbb{C}) \dots$$

IOW, assume  $\Pi_1, \Pi_2$  are canonical models of

$S_k \rightarrow$  get two (possibly different) actions

$\text{Aut}(\mathbb{C}/\mathbb{E}) \cong S_k(\mathbb{C})$ , and we need to show they coincide.

→ enough to find a generating set of  $\text{Aut}(\mathbb{C}/\mathbb{E})$

whose elements each coincide on a Zariski

dense subset of  $S_k(\mathbb{C})$

Consequence:  $\text{Gal}(\bar{E}/E) \cong H^i(\underline{S}_K \otimes_E \bar{E}, \bar{Q}_E)$

STON  $G(A_f) \cong \varinjlim_K H^i(\underline{S}_K \otimes_E \bar{E}, \bar{Q}_E)$

$K' \subset K$   
 $\leadsto S_{K'} \rightarrow S_K$   
 $\leadsto H^i(S_K) \rightarrow H^i(S_{K'})$

These actions  
commute with  
each other since the  $G(A_f)$ -action is defined over  $E$ .

$\leadsto S_K$  is a tool to compare reps. ]  $\leftrightarrow$  Langlands program  
of  $\text{Gal}(\bar{E}/E)$  and of  $G(A_f)$ .

(This is overly simplified... In particular,  $\underline{S}_K$  typically  
is not proper ( $\leftrightarrow S_K(\mathbb{C})$  not compact), and  
then  $H^i(\underline{S}_K \otimes_E \bar{E}, \bar{Q}_E)$  is not the right object to work with.)