

# Elliptic curves over (alg. closed) fields

References (Hartshorne) Ch. IV, [RW2] Ch. 26

[Silverman]

$k$  a field

curve: geom. connected smooth projective  $k$ -scheme  
of dim 1

Def (1) An abelian variety over  $k$  is a geometrically connected smooth proper  $k$ -group scheme.

(2) An elliptic curve over  $k$  is an abelian variety over  $k$  of dimension 1.

Prop Can show that every ab. var /  $k$  is projective. (For curves we have shown this in AG3.)

Recall (AG3, Problem 19)

Let  $G/k$  be a group scheme. Then  $\Omega_{G/k}$  is a free  $\mathcal{O}_G$ -module.

Therefore, if  $E/k$  is an elliptic curve,  $\Omega_{E/k} \cong \mathcal{O}_E$  and  $E$  has genus 1. Furthermore, the natural elt. of the group scheme structure gives us a distinguished point  $0 \in E(k)$ .

Rigidity lemma. ([AW1] Lemma 16.55)

$k$  a field,  $X/k$  geom. reduced, geom. conn., prop.,  
 $X(k) \neq \emptyset$ .

$Y/k$  integral,  $Z/k$  separated

$f: X \times Y \rightarrow Z$  morph of  $k$ -schemes s.t. for some  $y \in Y(k)$ ,

$f|_{X_y}$  factors through a pt  $z \in Z(k)$ .

Then  $f$  factors through  $p_2: X \times Y \rightarrow Y$

Proof let  $x \in X(k)$ ,  $g := f \circ (x \times \text{id}_Y) \circ p_2$

Want:  $g = f$ , i.e.  $\text{Eq}(f, g) = X \times Y$

Let  $z \in U \subseteq Z$  open affine.

Since  $X/h$  prop,  $p_2$  is closed. Now  $p_2^{-1}(y) \subseteq f^{-1}(U)$

by assumption, so there exists  $y \in V \subseteq Y$  open st.  $p_2^{-1}(V) \subseteq f^{-1}(U)$ .

Let  $y' \in V$ . Obtain  $f|_{X_{y'}} : X_{y'} := X \otimes_{k(y')} \rightarrow U \otimes_{k(y')}$   
prop  $/k(y')$ , affine  $/k(y')$   
geom. reduced  
+ geom. conn.,

so  $f|_{X_{y'}}$  factors through a  $k(y')$ -valued pt of  $U \otimes_{k(y')}$ .

Hence  $\text{Eq}(f, g)$  contains  $X \times V$ , a dense open subset

of  $X \times Y$ . (Since  $Y$  integral,  $V \subseteq Y$  is dense. For

$U \subseteq X \times Y$  non-empty open,  $f(X \times Y \setminus U)$  is closed, so

$Y \setminus f(X \times Y \setminus U)$  intersects  $V$ . It follows that  $U \cap (X \times V) \neq \emptyset$ .)

Since  $\text{Eq}(f, g)$  is closed in  $X \times Y$

( $Z$  being separated), and  $X \times Y$  is reduced

(because  $X$  is geom. reduced and  $Y$  is reduced,

see [AW] Prop. 5.49), the claim follows.

Corollary Let  $k$  be a field.

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(1) Let  $X, Y$  be ab. var. /  $k$ , and let  $f: X \rightarrow Y$  be a morphism of  $k$ -schemes which maps  $e_X$  to  $e_Y$ . Then  $f$  is a homomorphism of group schemes.

(2) Let  $X$  be an ab. var. /  $k$ . Then the group law on  $X$  is commutative.

(3) The group structure on  $X$  is uniquely determined by the choice of the neutral element  $0 \in X(k)$ .

Proof (1) Consider 
$$X \times X \rightarrow Y \times Y \xrightarrow{m_Y} Y$$
  
$$(x, x') \mapsto (f(x), f(x'))^{-1}$$

Apply the rigidity lemma with  $X=Y=A$ ,  $Z=B$  to show that this morphism factors through  $p_1$ , and through  $p_2$ , and hence is constant.

(2) Apply (1) to the inverse of the group law.

(3) Follows directly from (1).

Thm Let  $E/k$  be a curve. The foll. are equiv:

- (1)  $E$  has genus 1 and  $0 \in E(k)$
- (2)  $E$  carries the structure of a  $k$ -group scheme  
(with neutral element  $0 \in E(k)$ ).

From the end rigidity,  
obtain equivalence of cat.:  $\left( \begin{array}{c} \text{ell. curves} \\ k \end{array} \right) = \left( \begin{array}{c} \text{curves of genus 1} \\ \text{with a distinguished} \\ \text{pt } 0 \in E(k) \end{array} \right)$

(2)  $\Rightarrow$  (1): see above

(1)  $\Rightarrow$  (2): (I) geometric construction,  
check that this is a gp variety, structure  
(error: see Problem Sheet 2)

(II) show that we have an Isom.

$$E \rightarrow \underline{\text{Pic}}_E^0$$

A functor  $(\text{Sch}/k)^{\text{op}} \rightarrow (\text{sets})$  where the  
right hand side is a group functor, and  
apply the Yoneda lemma.

Proof of (1)  $\Rightarrow$  (2) via identification with  $\text{Pic}^0$

$E/k$  a genus 1 with  $O \in E(k)$  fixed point.

Claim have bijection [AG2, Pbm. 32]

$$v^0 : E(k) \longrightarrow \text{Pic}^0(E) := \{ \mathcal{L} \in \text{Pic}(E); \deg(\mathcal{L}) = 0 \}$$

$$x \longmapsto \mathcal{O}_E([x]) \otimes \mathcal{O}_E([O])^\vee$$

Proof of claim. injective.  $v^0(x) = v^0(y) \Rightarrow [x] \sim [y]$ ,

hence  $x=y$  by [AG2, Pbm 50] ( $h(\mathcal{O}_E([x])) = 1$ )

[In fact, for any curve  $C$  of genus  $> 0$  (i.e.  $\neq \mathbb{P}^1$ ),

$[x] \sim [y]$  implies  $x=y$ :

say  $[x] - [y] = \text{div}(f)$ .

Then  $f$  defines  $E \xrightarrow{f} \mathbb{P}^1_k$  surjective,

$f^*[O] = [x]$ . Thus  $\deg(f) = 1$ , so  $f$  is isomorphism.

surjective. for  $\mathcal{L} \in \text{Pic}^0(E)$ ,  $\mathcal{L} \otimes \mathcal{O}_E([O])$  has

degree 1, and hence  $h(\mathcal{L} \otimes \mathcal{O}_E([O])) = 1$ . Thus

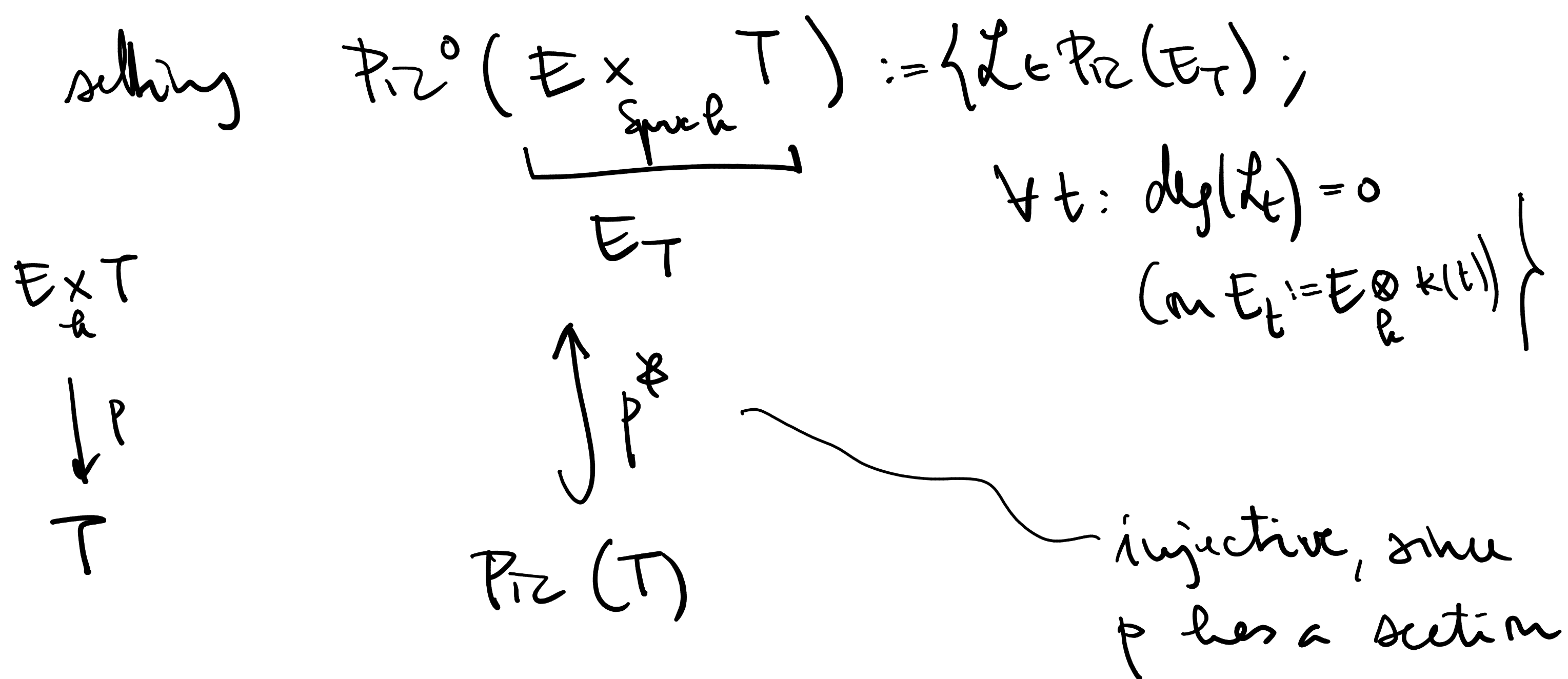
there exists a (unique) eff. divisor  $[x]$  on  $E$

with  $\mathcal{L} \otimes \mathcal{O}_E([O]) = \mathcal{O}_E([x])$ .

Since  $\text{Pic}^0(E)$  is an (abelian) group by definition,  
we obtain a group structure on  $E(k)$ .

We still need to show, however, that  
 $E$  is a group scheme, i.e. that the group  
structure (addition, inverse) is given by morphisms  
of  $k$ -schemes.

To this end, we extend the def'n of  $\text{Pic}^0$   
so as to obtain a functor  $(\text{Ab}/k)^\circ \rightarrow (\text{Ab. Groups})$ ,



and  $\underline{\text{Pic}}_{E/k}^\circ : (\text{Ab}/k)^\circ \rightarrow (\text{Ab. Grp})$ ,  $T \mapsto \text{Pic}^0(E_T) / p^*(\text{Pic}(T))$ .



Proposition ([GW1] Prop. 14.22)

Let  $X \rightarrow S$  be a flat morphism of schemes,

$Y \subseteq X$  a closed subscheme which is locally on  $X$  defined by a single equation.

Assume that for every  $s \in S$ , the inclusion of fibers  $Y_s \subseteq X_s$  makes  $Y_s$  an eff.-Cartier divisor on  $X_s$  (i.e. locally defined by one non-zero divisor)

If moreover  $S$  and  $X$  are locally noetherian, or if the morphism  $X \rightarrow S$  is locally of finite presentation, then

$Y$  is flat over  $S$  and  $Y \subseteq X$  is an effective Cartier divisor.

(See also [GW2] Prop. 19.28,

Cor 19.31 (1);

Compare AG3, Lemma 4.6)

effective Cartier divisor (on a general scheme):

closed subscheme defined locally by one equation given by a non-zero divisor.

See [GW1] (11.11) for the notion of (not nec. eff.)

Cartier divisor on a general scheme.

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Theorem (Fiber criterion for flatness)

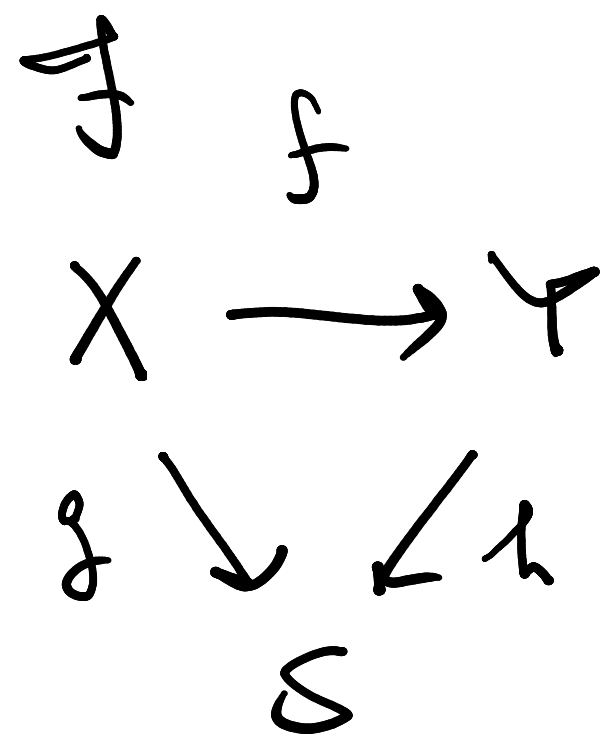
[AW1, Thm 14.25]

Let  $S$  be a scheme,

$g: X \rightarrow S, h: Y \rightarrow S$  morphisms,

$f: X \rightarrow Y$  a morphism of  $S$ -schemes,

$\mathcal{F}$  a quasi-coherent  $\mathcal{O}_X$ -module.



Let  $x \in X, y = f(x), s = g(x) = h(y)$  so that  $\mathcal{F}_x \neq 0$ .

Assume that

- $S, X, Y$  lo. noetherian +  $\mathcal{F}$  coherent
- or
- $g, h$  lfp,  $\mathcal{F}$  of finite presentation

Then the following are equivalent:

(i)  $\mathcal{F}$  is  $g$ -flat at  $x$ , and  $\mathcal{F}_s := \mathcal{F}|_{X_s}$  is  $f_s$ -flat at  $x$

(ii)  $h$  is flat at  $y$  and  $\mathcal{F}$  is  $f$ -flat at  $x$ .  $f_s: X_s \rightarrow \text{Spec } k(s)$

For the difficult direction (i)  $\rightarrow$  (ii) the key input is the "local criterion for flatness"

Important special cases:

①  $\mathcal{F} = \mathcal{O}_X \rightsquigarrow X$  flat/ $Y$ ?

②  $X = Y \rightsquigarrow \mathcal{F}$  flat/ $X$ ?

# Local criterion for flatness (special case)

Let  $A \rightarrow B$  be a local homom. of local noeth. rings,  $M$  a finitely generated  $B$ -module.

Let  $\mathfrak{m} \subsetneq A$  be a proper ideal.

The foll. are equivalent:

(i)  $M$  is flat /  $A$

(ii)  $M/\mathfrak{m}M$  is flat /  $A/\mathfrak{m}$  and the natural homom.

$$\text{gr}_{\mathfrak{m}}^n(A) \otimes_{\text{gr}_0^{\mathfrak{m}}(A)} \text{gr}_d^{\mathfrak{m}}(\Gamma) \longrightarrow \text{gr}^n(M) := \bigoplus_{\mathfrak{m}^n M / \mathfrak{m}^{n+1} M}$$

is a isomorphism.

(iii)  $M/\mathfrak{m}M$  is flat over  $A/\mathfrak{m}$  and  $\mathfrak{m} \otimes_A \Gamma \rightarrow M$

is surjective.

Notation.

$t \in T \rightsquigarrow E_t := E \otimes_{\mathbb{k}} \mathbb{k}(t)$ , the fiber of  $E_T$  over  $t$

$\alpha \in E(T) \rightsquigarrow (\alpha, \text{id}_T): T \rightarrow E_T$ ,

a closed immersion

which defines an eff. Cartier divisor

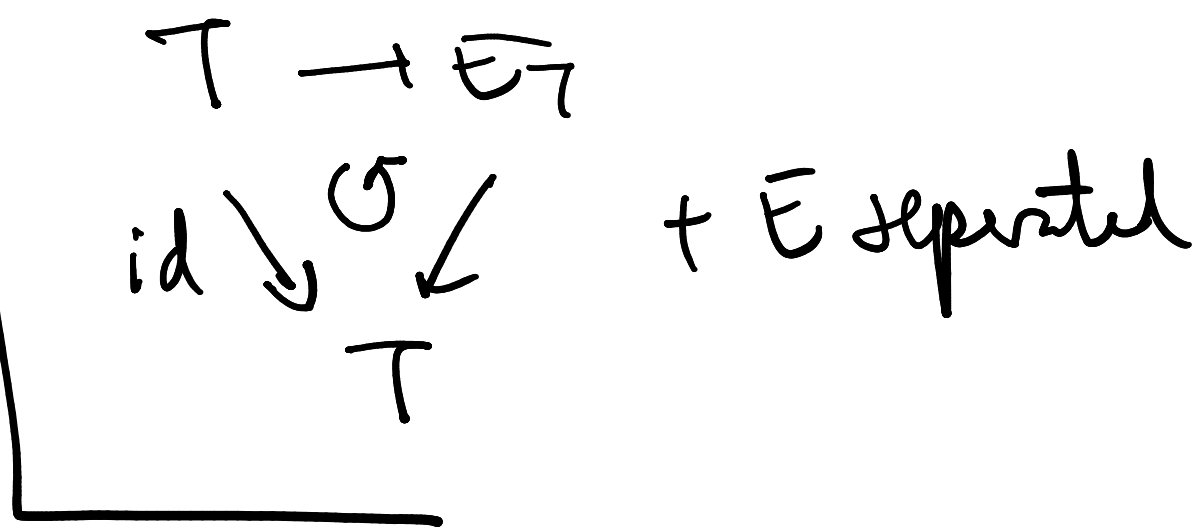
(We need to check that the ideal

sheaf  $\mathcal{J}$  defining  $T \hookrightarrow E_T$  is a line bundle, or

equivalently, of finite presentation and flat

(and thus locally free of finite rank; it is clear,

e.g., by looking at fibers, that the rank must be = 1).



We would like to apply the fiber criterion for

flatness ("special case ②")  $X=Y := E_T \quad \mathcal{F} = \mathcal{J}$



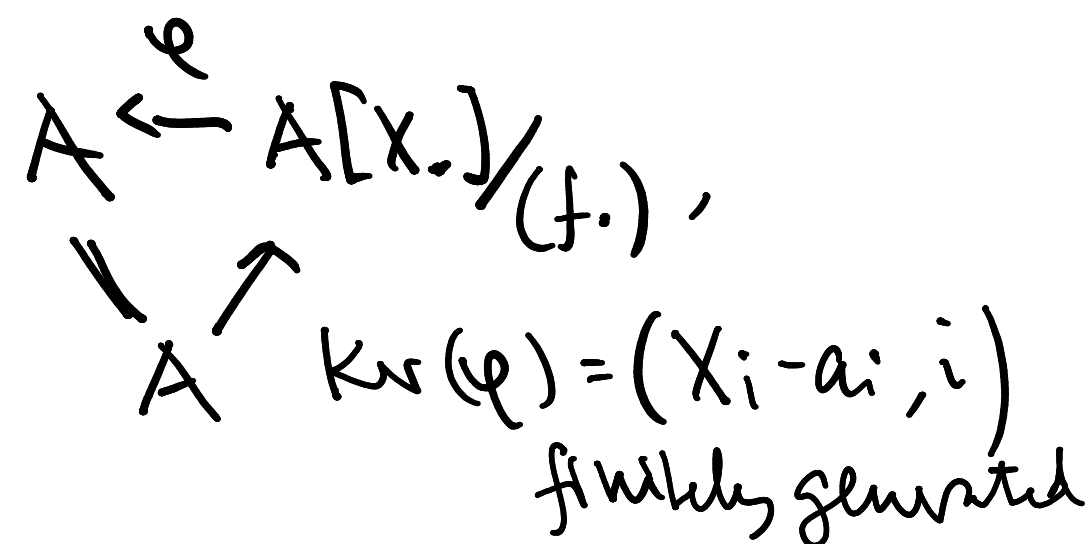
- $E_T \rightarrow T$  flat,  $\mathcal{F}$  flat/T,  $\mathcal{F}_t$  flat/ $E_t \forall t$

- need to check:

$\mathcal{J}$  of finite presentation,

but that is easy: locally on rings

("Weil div = Cartier div." on the smooth curve  $E_t$ )



Denote the corresponding

line bundle by  $\mathcal{O}_{E/T}(x)$

(:= the dual of the  
ideal sheaf  
defining  $\text{im}(x, \text{id}_T)$ )

Special case:

$\mathcal{O}_{E/T}(\mathcal{O}_T)$ ,

$\mathcal{O}_T: T \rightarrow \text{Spec } k \xrightarrow{\circ} E.$

In view of the Yoneda lemma, it is then enough to show that

Claim For all  $T$ , the map (clearly functorial in  $T$ )

$$E(T) \rightarrow \underline{\text{Pic}}_{E/k}^{\circ}(T),$$

$$x \mapsto \mathcal{O}_{E_T/T}(x) \otimes \mathcal{O}_{E_T/T}(\mathcal{O}_T)^{\vee},$$

is bijective.

Note that whenever  $T$  is the spec of a field, then the construction coincides with the bijection we discussed already.

Proof of claim. We construct a map in the other direction and show that the two maps are inverse to each other.

Given  $L \in \underline{\text{Pic}}_{E/k}^{\circ}(T)$ , write  $L' := L \otimes \mathcal{O}_{E_T/T}(\mathcal{O}_T)$ , a line bundle on  $E_T$  which is fibrewise of degree 1.

Denote the restriction to  $E_t$  by  $L'_t$ .

Now for  $\mathcal{L} \in \text{Pic}^0(E_T)$ .

Want:  $\exists$  unique  $\alpha: T \rightarrow E \quad \exists \mathcal{M} \in \text{Pic}(T)$ :

$$\mathcal{L} \cong \mathcal{O}_{E_T}(\alpha) \otimes \mathcal{O}_{E_T}(\mathcal{O}_T)^\vee \otimes p^* \mathcal{M},$$

LOW  $\mathcal{L}' \cong \mathcal{O}_{E_T}(\alpha) \otimes p^* \mathcal{M}.$

For  $t \in T$ ,  $\dim_{k(t)} H^0(E_t, \mathcal{L}'_t) = \deg(\mathcal{L}'_t) = 1,$

$\dim_{k(t)} H^1(E_t, \mathcal{L}'_t) = 0$  by RR / Serre duality



Cohomology and base change for the proper morphism  $E_T \rightarrow T$ , [AW2] Cor 23.144, cf. AG3 Thm 4.3

$R^1 p_* \mathcal{L}' = 0$  (since  $p^1(k(t))$  surj  $\forall t$ )

$p_* \mathcal{L}'$  loc. free (rank 1)

(since  $p^1$  surj. +  $p^0$  surj.)  $R^1 p_* \mathcal{L}' = 0$ , so loc. free +  $p^{-1}$  surj.)

+ formula for  $p_* \mathcal{L}'$  commutes with base change  $\left. \vphantom{p_* \mathcal{L}'}$   $\right] p^0$  surj.

May now replace  $\mathcal{L}$  by  $\mathcal{L} \otimes (p^* p_* \mathcal{L}')^\vee$

$\rightarrow p_* \mathcal{L}' \cong \mathcal{O}_T$  (by the projection formula).

Then  $1 \in \Gamma(T, \mathcal{O}_T) = \Gamma(E_T, \mathcal{L}')$  defines an  
eff. Cartier divisor on  $E_T$  with assoc. line bundle  $\mathcal{L}'$   
 $\rightsquigarrow$  closed subscheme  $Z \subset E_T$ . (cf. AG2  
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This construction is compatible with base change,  
in particular  $Z_t \subset E_t$  is eff. Cartier div. of  
degree 1 for all  $t \in T$ .

Then  $Z \rightarrow T$  is flat over  $T$  by [AG1, Prop. 14.22], see above.



Also:  $Z$  finite /  $T$

There are different ways of showing this:

- locally on  $T$ , we can find an embedding

$$E_T \hookrightarrow \mathbb{P}_T^N \quad (\text{in fact, we will see later that } N=2 \text{ works})$$

which we can arrange so that  $Z \cap V_+(X_2) = \emptyset$

$\Rightarrow Z$  is proper and affine /  $T$  (and we may assume  $T$  affine)

Then use

Lemma Let  $f: Z \rightarrow T$  be a proper and affine morphism of schemes. Then  $f$  is finite.

Proof (for  $T$  noetherian) WLOG  $T$  affine.

By coherence of (higher) direct images,  $f_* \mathcal{O}_Z$  is a coherent  $\mathcal{O}_T$ -module, thus  $\Gamma(Z, \mathcal{O}_Z)$  is a finite  $\Gamma(T, \mathcal{O}_T)$ -module.

General case: e.g., [Liu, Algebraic Geometry and Arithmetic Curves] Lemma 3.2.17.

- With (much) more effort, one can show the following result (a consequence of Zariski's Main Theorem):

Theorem. For a morphism  $f: X \rightarrow Y$  the foll. are equiv.:

(i)  $f$  finite

(ii)  $f$  is quasi-finite ( $\hat{=}$  finite type and all fibres are finite sets)

and proper

(Reference: [AW1] Cor 12.89.

For  $Y$  locally noetherian, see [Stacks] 0206 for a different proof which relies on the theorem of formal functions.)

So the morphism  $Z \rightarrow T$  is finite, flat and locally of finite pres.,

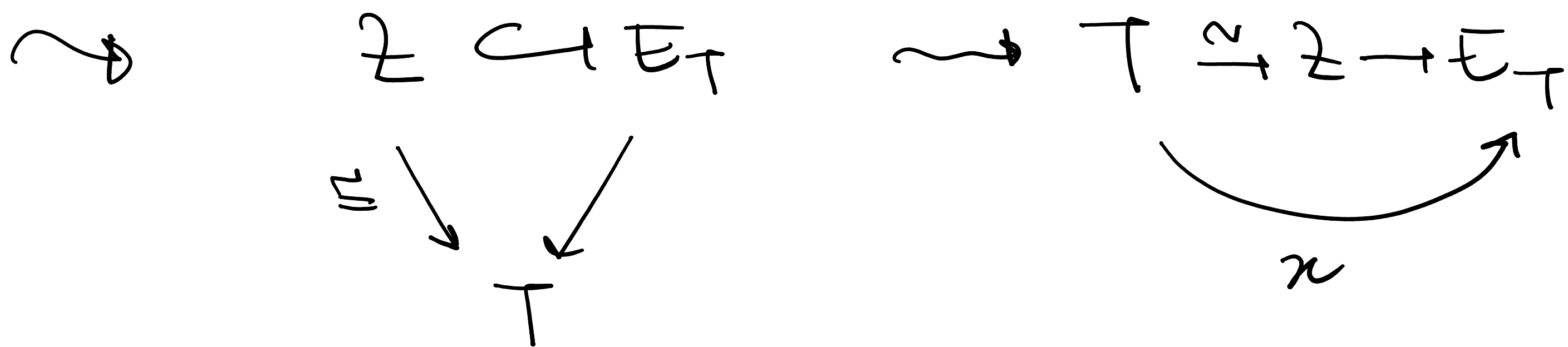
$\leadsto Z \rightarrow T$  finite locally free of rank 1,

hence an isomorphism.

Lemma Let  $\varphi: R \rightarrow S$  be a ring homomorphism so that  $S$  is a locally free  $R$ -module of rank 1 via  $\varphi$ . Then  $\varphi$  is an isom. (check that 1 is a basis of  $S$ ).

AW1, Cor. 12.19

or Stacks 02KB



This defines the desired map. It is not too hard to check that the two maps are inverse to each other.

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Remark Degree of a divisor

For  $k$  a field,  
 $C/k$  a curve,

$D = \sum_{\substack{x \in C \\ \text{closed}}} n_x [x]$  a (Weil) divisor,

We define  $\deg(D) = \sum_x n_x [k(x) : k]$ .

- If  $k$  is alg. closed, then  $k(x) = k$  for all  $x \in C$  closed, so we can omit the terms  $[k(x) : k]$ .
- If  $k$  is not alg. closed, it is important to include the degrees of the residue field extension. For example, this ensures that principal divisors on (proper) curves have degree 0.

Example:  $k = \mathbb{R}$ ,  $C = \mathbb{P}_{\mathbb{R}}^1$ ,  $K(C) = \mathbb{R}(X)$

$$D = \operatorname{div} \left( \frac{X^2+1}{X^2} \right) = [\pm i] - 2[0].$$

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$$\operatorname{deg} \left( \operatorname{div} \left( \frac{X^2+1}{X^2} \right) \right)$$

$$= 0$$

## Aside The Picard functor

It is quite generally an interesting question whether, for a scheme  $X$  the set  $\mathcal{P}$  (iso. classes of) line bundles can be equipped with a geometric structure

$\implies$  whether the Picard functor is representable.

Naive version:  $X$  an  $S$ -scheme

$$(\text{Isb}/S)^{\text{op}} \rightarrow (\text{Isb}), \quad T \mapsto \text{Pic}(X \times_S T)$$

Problem: not a sheaf for the Zariski topology!

There are tools to deal with this. For simplicity, we restrict to the following situation:

References: [GW2] Ch. 27 and the references given there,  
[BLR, Néron models] Ch. 8

# Theorem (representability of Picard functor)

[AW2]

(27.21),

(27.22)

and references  
given there

Let  $f: X \rightarrow S$  be a morphism.

Assume (a)  $f_* \mathcal{O}_X = \mathcal{O}_S$  compatibly with  
base change

(b)  $f$  has a section

Define

$$\underline{\text{Pic}}_{X/S}(T) := \text{Pic}(X \times_S T) / \text{Pic}(T)$$

$$\leadsto \underline{\text{Pic}}_{X/S}: (\text{Sch}/S)^{\text{op}} \rightarrow (\text{Ab Grp})$$

Can show:  $\underline{\text{Pic}}_{X/S}$  is a sheaf

for the Zariski topology (cf HAG)

[and even for the "fpqc topology"]

e.g.  $f$  flat, proper,  
of finite pres.,  
with geom. reduced  
+ geom. connected  
fibers

cf HAG Prop 46/

[AW2] Cor 29.63

(1) If  $S = \text{Spec } k$ ,  $k$  a field, and  $f$  is proper,  
then  $\underline{\text{Pic}}_{X/k}$  is representable by a separated  
scheme  $\text{Pic}(X/k)$ .

(2) If  $f$  is flat, projective, of finite presentation  
and with geom. integral fibers, then  $\underline{\text{Pic}}_{X/S}$   
is representable by a separated  $S$ -scheme  
locally of finite presentation.

## The identity component of the Picard scheme

One can define the "identity component"  $\underline{\text{Pic}}_{X/S}^0 \subset \text{Pic}_{X/S}$ .

In the situations of the representability theorems, this

is a subgroup scheme o.f. for every  $s \in S$ ,

$$(\text{Pic}_{X_s/k(s)})^0 = (\text{Pic}_{X/S})^0 \times_S \text{Spec } k(s) \subset \text{Pic}_{X/S} \times_S \text{Spec } k(s) = \text{Pic}_{X_s/k(s)}$$

is the identity component of the  $k(s)$ -group scheme

$$\text{Pic}_{X_s/k(s)}$$

[GW2] section (27.24)

## Important special cases:

- Let  $C \rightarrow S$  be a smooth proper rel. curve with geometrically connected fibres [and admitting a section].

Then  $\underline{\text{Pic}}_{C/S}^0$  is a smooth proper  $S$ -group scheme with geom. connected fibres of relative dim.  $g$ .

(Say that  $\underline{\text{Pic}}_{C/S}^0$  is abelian scheme /  $S$ . For  $S = \text{Spec } k$  a field, it is an ab. variety.)

We have 
$$\underline{\text{Pic}}_{C/S}^0(T) = \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \mathcal{L} \in \text{Pic}_{C/S}(T); \\ \mathcal{L} \text{ has degree } 0 \text{ on each} \\ \text{fiber of } C_T \rightarrow T \end{array} \right\}$$

The  $S$ -scheme  $\underline{\text{Pic}}_{C/S}^{\circ}$  is called the Jacobian of the relative curve  $C/S$ . This construction behaves functorially in  $C$ .

Abel-Jacobi map:

Assume there exists a line bundle  $Z$  on  $C$  s.t.  $\deg(Z_s) = 1$  for all  $s$ . (E.g.  $S$  the spectrum of a field  $k$ ,  $C(k) \neq \emptyset$ )

Then morphism  $C \rightarrow \underline{\text{Pic}}_{C/S}^{\circ}$   
 $x \mapsto \mathcal{O}_C(x) \otimes Z^{\vee}$

If all fibers  $C_s$  have genus  $> 0$ , then this is a closed immersion.

The abelian variety "almost" determines the curve  $C$ , up to isomorphism (Theorem of Torelli, see [AW2] Prop 27.287 for the statement and references).



- The dual abelian variety of an ab variety, more generally, dual abelian scheme

For an abelian variety  $A$  over a field  $k$ ,

$A^\vee = \underline{\text{Pic}}_{A/k}^0$  is an abelian variety of dimension  $\dim A$ , called the dual abelian variety of  $A$ .

$\leadsto$  functor  $(\text{AbVar}/k)^{\text{op}} \rightarrow (\text{AbVar}/k)$ ,  $A \mapsto A^\vee$ .

Similarly as for finite-dim'l v.s., one has natural morphism  $A \rightarrow A^{\vee\vee}$  which is an isomorphism.

(Sometimes, but not in general,  $A^\vee \cong A$ .)

For  $L$  a line bundle on  $A$ , have  $\eta_L: A \rightarrow A^\vee$   
 $a \mapsto t_a^* L \otimes L^{-1}$ .

(This is a group scheme homomorphism. Once we know that  $A^\vee$  is an abelian variety, this follows since it clearly maps  $0 \mapsto 0$ . When this result is proved as a step towards the representability of the dual abelian variety, it is called the "Theorem of the square".)

Can show: (1)  $L$  ample  $\implies \varphi_L$  surjective

(i.e. some power of  $L$  is  $\cong \mathcal{O}(1)$  for some embedding  $A \hookrightarrow \mathbb{P}_k^N$ )

(show that  $(L \otimes [-1]^* L)|_{\ker(\varphi_L)}$  is at same time ample and trivial)

(2)  $L \in \text{Pic}^0 \iff \varphi_L \equiv 0$ , i.e.  $L$  is "translation invariant"

(" $\implies$ ", admitting (1) + projectivity of  $A$ : choose  $\mathcal{U}$  ample

and write  $L = t_a^* \mathcal{U} \otimes \mathcal{U}^{-1}$ . Then

$$\begin{aligned} t_b^* L \otimes L^{-1} &= t_b^* (t_a^* \mathcal{U} \otimes \mathcal{U}^{-1}) \otimes (t_a^* \mathcal{U})^{-1} \otimes \mathcal{U} \\ &= \underbrace{t_{a+b}^* \mathcal{U} \otimes \mathcal{U}^{-1}}_{\| \varphi_{\mathcal{U}} \text{ isomom}} \otimes t_b^* \mathcal{U}^{-1} \otimes t_a^* \mathcal{U}^{-1} \otimes \mathcal{U}^2 \end{aligned}$$

$$\left( t_a^* \mathcal{U} \otimes \mathcal{U}^{-1} \otimes t_b^* \mathcal{U} \otimes \mathcal{U}^{-1} \right)$$

Since  $\text{Pic}^0$  is connected and contains the trivial line bundle  $\mathcal{O}_A$ , every  $L \in \text{Pic}^0(k)$  is algebraically equivalent to 0 (and since  $\text{Pic}^0$  is the connected component of the trivial line bundle,  $\text{Pic}^0(k)$  consists precisely of all line bundles on  $A$  alg.-equiv. to  $\mathcal{O}_A$ ).

For  $\varphi: A \rightarrow A^V$ , get  $\Delta^* (\text{id} \times \varphi)^* \mathcal{P}$ , a line bundle on  $A$ ,  
 where  $\mathcal{P}$  is the universal object of the representable  
 functor  $\underline{\text{Pic}}_{A/k}^0$  ( $\mathcal{P}$  is a line bundle on  $A \times A^V$ )

(This is not the inverse construction to  $\mathcal{L} \mapsto \varphi_{\mathcal{L}}$ .)

But after suitable modifications, one obtains  
 close connection

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{surjective homom.} \\ A \xrightarrow{\lambda} A^V \text{ st. } \lambda^V = \lambda \end{array} \right\} \longleftrightarrow \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{embeddings} \\ A \hookrightarrow \mathbb{P}_{k^N}^N \end{array} \right\}$$