

We apply the lemma to compute  $\mathcal{C}(\mathbb{P}_k^n)$ :

$$\text{take } U = U_0 = \text{Spec } k\left[\frac{X_1}{X_0}, \dots, \frac{X_n}{X_0}\right]$$

$$Z_0 = \mathbb{P}_k^n \setminus U_0 \text{ is irreducible}$$

$$= Z(X_0) \quad X_0 \in S_1 = \Gamma(G_X(1))$$

$$\mathbb{Z}[Z_0] \longrightarrow \mathcal{C}(\mathbb{P}_k^n) \longrightarrow \mathcal{C}(U_0) \longrightarrow 0$$

$$U_0 \cong \mathbb{A}_k^n \implies \mathcal{C}(U_0) = 0$$

$$\implies \mathbb{Z}[Z_0] \longrightarrow \mathcal{C}(\mathbb{P}_k^n)$$

Lemma: The map  $\mathbb{Z}[Z_0] \longrightarrow \mathcal{C}(\mathbb{P}_k^n)$  is injective, i.e.,

$$\mathbb{Z}[Z_0] \xrightarrow{\cong} \mathcal{C}(\mathbb{P}_k^n)$$

Proof: Injectivity means that there does not exist a rational function  $f \in K(\mathbb{P}_k^n)$  s.t.  $\text{Div}(f)$  is a multiple of  $[Z_0]$ .

We study  $\text{Div}(f)$  for  $f \in K = K(\mathbb{P}_k^n)$ .

$$K = K(\mathbb{P}^n) = K(U_0) = \text{Frac } k\left[\frac{X_1}{X_0}, \dots, \frac{X_n}{X_0}\right]$$

$$= k\left(\frac{X_1}{X_0}, \dots, \frac{X_n}{X_0}\right)$$

Claim:  $k\left(\frac{X_1}{X_0}, \dots, \frac{X_n}{X_0}\right) = k(X_0, \dots, X_n)_0$

because: we can write any  $f$  as  $\frac{p}{q}$  where

$$p, q \in k\left[\frac{X_1}{X_0}, \dots, \frac{X_n}{X_0}\right] \quad \frac{p}{q} = \frac{\frac{P}{X_0^n}}{Q} \quad \text{where } P, Q$$

are homogeneous of degree  $n$  and  $s$  respectively.

we can multiply  $P$  or  $Q$  by some power of  $X_0$ , hence

assume  $r = s$ .

$\Rightarrow f = \frac{P}{Q}$  where  $P, Q$  are homogeneous of the same degree (and coprime).

Claim:  $\text{Div}(f) = \text{Div}(P) - \text{Div}(Q)$

proof: Choose a point  $x \in X = \mathbb{P}_k^n$  of codim. 1

$\exists i$  s.t.  $x \in U_i = \text{Spec } S[X_i^{-1}]_0 \subset X$

$x \leftrightarrow \mathfrak{p} \subset S[X_i^{-1}]_0$  prime of height 1

$S[X_i^{-1}]_0$  is a UFD  $\Rightarrow \mathfrak{p}$  is principal (Prop. I.1.12A)

$\Rightarrow \mathfrak{p} = \langle g \rangle$   $g$  irreducible pol. in  $\frac{X_0}{X_i}, \dots, \frac{X_n}{X_i}$

$\Rightarrow g = \frac{R}{X_i^d}$  where  $R$  is hom.-of degree  $d$  in  $X_0, \dots, X_n$

The local ring of  $x$  is  $\mathcal{O}_{X,x} \cong \mathbb{R}\left[\frac{X_0}{X_i}, \dots, \frac{X_n}{X_i}\right]_{\mathfrak{p}}$

$$f = \frac{P}{Q} = \frac{\frac{P}{X_i^m}}{\frac{Q}{X_i^m}} \quad \text{where } m = \text{degree of } P = \text{degree of } Q$$

(recall  $g = \frac{R}{X_i^d}$ )

$$v_x(f) = v_{\mathfrak{p}}(f) = v_{\langle g \rangle}\left(\frac{P}{X_i^m}\right) - v_{\langle g \rangle}\left(\frac{Q}{X_i^m}\right)$$

= # times that  $g$  occurs as a factor of  $\frac{P}{X_i^m}$

— # times that  $g$  occurs as a factor of  $\frac{Q}{X_i^m}$

= # times that  $R$  divides  $P$

— # times that  $R$  divides  $Q$

$$\Rightarrow \text{Div}(f) = \text{Div}(P) - \text{Div}(Q) \quad \square$$

$\nabla$  If  $f$  is constant,  $\text{Div}(f) = 0$

If  $f$  is not constant, then  $\deg P = \deg Q > 0$

$P$  and  $Q$  are coprime  $\Rightarrow \forall [z_0]$  appears in  $\text{Div}(P)$ , it will not appear in  $\text{Div}(Q)$  and vice-versa.

$\Rightarrow \text{Div}(f)$  cannot be just a multiple of  $[z_0]$ .  $\square$

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Cartier divisors: We do not need (\*).

Here  $X$  is any noetherian scheme.

Def: The sheaf of total quotient rings  $\mathcal{K}_X$ :

Since affine open sets form a basis of the topology of  $X$ , we only define the sections of  $\mathcal{K}_X$  on affine open sets.

Let  $U = \text{Spec} A \subset X$  be open affine, we  
 define  $\mathcal{K}_X(U)$  to be the total quotient ring of  $A$ , i.e.,  
 $\mathcal{K}_X(U)$  is the localization of  $A$  at all nonzero divisors.

Restriction maps are obtained from localization morphisms.

Def:  $\mathcal{K}_X^* \subset \mathcal{K}_X$  is the subsheaf of invertible elements  
 $\mathcal{O}_X^* \subset \mathcal{O}_X$  " " " " " " " "

Note:  $\mathcal{K}_X$  is a locally constant sheaf (exercise)

If  $X$  is integral,  $\mathcal{K}_X$  is the constant sheaf with group  $K$ .

Def: A Cartier divisor on  $X$  is a global section of  $\mathcal{K}_X^* / \mathcal{O}_X^*$ .

What does the definition mean?

Consider the exact sequence (group law is multiplication)

$$1 \longrightarrow G_X^* \longrightarrow \mathcal{K}_X^* \longrightarrow \mathcal{K}_X^*/G_X^* \longrightarrow 1$$

Sections of  $\mathcal{K}_X^*/G_X^*$  can be locally  $G_X^*$  lifted to  $\mathcal{K}_X^*$ :

$$\forall f \in \Gamma(X, \mathcal{K}_X^*/G_X^*) \exists \text{ covering } X = \bigcup_{i \in I} U_i$$

$$\text{s.t. } \forall i \exists s_i \in \mathcal{K}_X^*(U_i) \text{ with } s_i \mapsto f|_{U_i} \in \mathcal{K}_X^*/G_X^*(U_i)$$

$$\text{and on } U_i \cap U_j \quad \left( \frac{s_i}{s_j} \right) |_{U_i \cap U_j} \in G_X^*(U_i \cap U_j)$$

We call  $\{(s_i, U_i)\}$  a representation of  $f$ . Note that it is not unique

Def: A Cartier divisor is called principal if it is in the image of the natural map

$$\Gamma(X, \mathcal{K}_X^*) \longrightarrow \Gamma(X, \mathcal{K}_X^* / \mathcal{O}_X^*).$$

In other words it has a representation of the form  $\{(s, X)\}$ .

Def: Two Cartier divisors are called linearly equivalent if their difference (for the multiplicative group structure) is principal. In other words, they have representations of the form  $\{(s_i, U_i)\}$  and  $\{(ss_i, U_i)\}$ .

Relation with invertible sheaves: Given a representation  $\{(s_i, U_i)\}$  of a Cartier divisor  $D$ , we define an invertible



subsheaf  $\mathcal{O}_X(D)$  of  $\mathcal{K}_X$  as follows.

On each  $U_i$ , define  $\mathcal{O}_X(D)|_{U_i} := \mathcal{O}_{U_i} \cdot f_i^{-1} \subset \mathcal{K}_{U_i}$ .

These glue to a subsheaf  $\mathcal{O}_X(D)$  of  $\mathcal{K}_X$  because on

$$U_i \cap U_j: \quad \mathcal{O}_{U_i \cap U_j} \cdot f_i^{-1}|_{U_i \cap U_j} = \mathcal{O}_{U_i \cap U_j} \cdot f_j^{-1}|_{U_i \cap U_j} \subset \mathcal{K}_{U_i \cap U_j}.$$

$$\text{because } f_i/f_j \in \mathcal{O}_X^*(U_i \cap U_j)$$

Check (exercise)  $\mathcal{O}_X(D)$  does not depend on the choice of representation.

Conversely, given an invertible subsheaf  $\mathcal{L}$  of  $\mathcal{K}_X$ , we can associate a Cartier divisor  $D$  to it such that  $\mathcal{O}_X(D) = \mathcal{L}$  as follows.

Choose an open covering  $X = \bigcup_{i \in I} U_i$  s.t.  $\forall i \mathcal{L}|_{U_i} \cong \mathcal{O}_{U_i}$ .

$\forall i$ , define  $f_i^{-1}$  as the image of 1:

$$\begin{array}{ccccc} \mathcal{O}_{U_i} & \xrightarrow[\varphi_i]{\cong} & \mathcal{L}|_{U_i} & \hookrightarrow & \mathcal{K}_{U_i} \\ \downarrow & & & & \downarrow \\ 1 & & & & f_i^{-1} \end{array}$$

On  $U_i \cap U_j$ , we have  $\frac{f_i}{f_j} \in \mathcal{O}_X^*(U_i \cap U_j)$

because  $f_i|_{U_i \cap U_j}$  and  $f_j|_{U_i \cap U_j}$  generate the same trivial  $\mathcal{O}_{U_i \cap U_j}$ -submodule of  $\mathcal{K}_{U_i \cap U_j}$ .

So  $\{(f_i, U_i)\}$  represents a Cartier divisor  $D$  and,

by def.,  $\mathcal{O}_X(D) = \mathcal{L}$ .

So: Cartier divisors are in bijection with invertible subsheaves of  $\mathcal{K}_X$ .