

Injectivity of  $\varphi : V \rightarrow \text{Spec } A$

Given  $x, y \in V$  s.t.  $\mathfrak{m}_x \cap A = \mathfrak{m}_y \cap A$

we need to show  $x = y$ .

Put  $\mathfrak{m} := \mathfrak{m}_x \cap A = \mathfrak{m}_y \cap A$ .

Then we also have  $\mathcal{O}_{X, \mathfrak{m}} = \mathcal{O}_{X, x} = \mathcal{O}_{X, y} \subset K(X)$

Lemma 2: Suppose  $X$  is a quasi-projective variety /  $k$ .

Given  $x, y \in X$ , if  $\mathcal{O}_{X, x} = \mathcal{O}_{X, y} \subset K(X)$ , then  $x = y$ .

Proof: Choose an embedding  $X \hookrightarrow \mathbb{P}_k^n$ .

Replace  $X$  with its closure. Now  $x, y \in X \subset \mathbb{P}_k^n$

After possibly a linear change of coordinates, we can assume  $x, y \in U_0 = D_+(X_0)$ .

Now replace  $X$  with  $X \cap V_0$ . So we can assume  $X$  is a closed subscheme of  $\mathbb{A}_k^n$ .

$$\text{Then } X = \text{Spec } k[x_1, \dots, x_n] / I_X$$

$x, y \iff$  maximal ideals  $M_x, M_y$  of

$$A(X) := k[x_1, \dots, x_n] / I_X$$

$$\text{Now } \mathcal{O}_{X,x} = A_{M_x} = \mathcal{O}_{X,y} = A_{M_y}$$

$$\Rightarrow M_x = A \cap M_x A_{M_x} = A \cap M_y A_{M_y} = M_y$$

$$\Rightarrow x = y. \quad \square$$

Back to the proof of Proposition 2:

We already proved  $\varphi: \mathcal{U} \rightarrow \text{Spec } A$  is a bijection.  
 $\Rightarrow$  hence.

$$\varphi^\# : \mathcal{O}_{\text{Spec } A} \rightarrow \varphi_* \mathcal{O}_U$$

is an isomorphism of sheaves on the same topological space because it is an isom. on all local rings.

It remains to prove that the extension of rings  $B \subset A$  is finite (or integral because here  $A$  and  $B$  are both finitely generated  $k$ -algebras).

$\forall$  valuation ring  $R$  of  $K(X)$  containing  $B$ ,  $\exists x \in X$  whose local ring is  $R \Rightarrow f(x) \in \text{Spec } B = V$

$\Rightarrow$  The ring  $R$  also contains  $A$  (because  $\text{Spec } A = \bar{f}'(\text{Spec } B)$ )

$\Rightarrow$  Every valuation ring of  $K(X)$  containing  $B$ , also contains  $A$ .

From commutative algebra:

$$A \subset \bigcap_{R \supset B} R \subset K(X)$$

$R \supset B$

$\bigcap$  is the integral closure of  $B$  in  $K(X)$

$\Rightarrow B \subset A$  is integral.  $\Rightarrow$  finite.

In fact, since  $A$  is integrally closed,  $A$  is the integral closure of  $B$  in  $K(X)$ . □

Divisors on curves. A Weil divisor is a linear combination of points: 
$$W = \sum_{i=1}^m n_i [P_i]$$

Definition: Assume  $f: X \rightarrow Y$  is a finite morphism of nonsingular curves over  $k$ .

We define a homomorphism of groups

$$f^*: \text{Div}(Y) \rightarrow \text{Div}(X)$$

as follows.

For any closed point  $Q \in Y$ , let  $t \in \mathcal{O}_{Y,Q} \subset K(Y) \subset K(X)$  be a uniformizer or local parameter, i.e., a generator of the maximal ideal  $\mathfrak{m}_Q \subset \mathcal{O}_{Y,Q}$ . Define

$$f^*[Q] := \sum_{f(P)=Q} v_P(t) [P] \in \text{Div}(X)$$

and extend by linearity to  $\text{Div}(Y)$ .

The definition makes sense because

- (1) The sum is finite: we saw earlier that finite morphisms are quasi-finite, i.e., every point of  $Y$  has

finitely many preimages.

(2) the definition does not depend on the choice of uniformizer  $t \in \mathfrak{m}_Q$ , because:

given another uniformizer  $s$ ,  $\exists$  unit  $a$  of  $\mathcal{O}_{Y,Q}$

st.  $t = as$   $f^\#: \mathcal{O}_{Y,Q} \rightarrow \mathcal{O}_{X,P} \quad \forall P \mapsto Q$

$$v_P(t) = v_P(a) + v_P(s)$$

$v_P(a) = 0$  because units map to units.

Some nice properties of  $f^*$ :

(1) Exercise: Pull-backs of principal divisors are again principal.

So we have a well-defined homomorphism of groups

$$f^*: \mathcal{O}(Y) \longrightarrow \mathcal{O}(X).$$

This coincides with pull-backs of invertible sheaves and the pull-back  $f^*: \text{CaCl}(Y) \rightarrow \text{CaCl}(X)$  under the identifications  $\mathcal{O}(X) = \text{CaCl}(X) = \text{Pic}(X)$ .

(2) Proposition 3: Suppose  $f: X \rightarrow Y$  is a finite morphism of nonsingular curves. Then, for any divisor  $D$  on  $Y$ , we have  $\deg(f^*D) = (\deg f)(\deg D)$ , where  $\deg f := \deg K(X)/K(Y)$

$$\text{and } \deg(\sum n_p [P]) = \sum n_p$$

Proof: By linearity, we need to show that,  $\forall$  closed  $Q \in Y$ ,  $\deg f^*Q = \deg f$ .

Let  $V = \text{Spec } B$  be an open neighborhood of  $Q$ , and  
put  $V = \text{Spec } A := f^{-1}(V)$ .

Repeating the argument in the proof of Prop. 2,  
we know that  $A$  is the integral closure of  $B$  in  $K(X)$ .

Let  $m$  be the maximal ideal of  $B$  corresponding  
to  $Q$ . Localize  $A$  and  $B$  at  $m$ :

$$\mathcal{O}_{Y, Q} = B_m \quad A' := A \otimes_B B_m$$