

Riemann Surfaces - SPRING 2024

EXERCISES SHEET 7

Ex 1. The meromorphic funct $f(z) = \frac{z^3 - z}{z^2 + 1}$ on $\mathbb{C}$ corresponds to the holomorphic funct

$$\hat{f}: \mathbb{P}^1 \rightarrow \mathbb{P}^1, \quad [z:w] \mapsto [x:y] = \left[\underbrace{z^3 - z}_{=: F(z,w)} : \underbrace{z^2 w + w^3}_{=: G(z,w)} \right]$$

Indeed, on the charts $\{w \neq 0\} \subset \mathbb{P}^1$ (domain) and $\{y \neq 0\} \subset \mathbb{P}^1$ (codomain) we find

$$\hat{f}([z:1]) = \left[\frac{z^3 - z}{z^2 + 1} : 1 \right] = \left[\frac{z^3 - z}{z^2 + 1} : 1 \right] = [f(z):1]$$

In particular, we see that $\hat{f}$ has 3 simple zeros (the zeros of F) and 3 simple poles (the zeros of G):

$$F(z,w) = z(z+w)(z-w)$$

$\leadsto$

$$\alpha_1 = [0:1], \alpha_2 = [1:-1], \alpha_3 = [1:1]$$

$$G(z,w) = w(z+iw)(z-iw)$$

$$\beta_1 = [1:0], \beta_2 = [i:-1], \beta_3 = [i:1]$$

Thus,

$$\operatorname{div}(\hat{f}) = (\alpha_1 + \alpha_2 + \alpha_3) - (\beta_1 + \beta_2 + \beta_3)$$

Ex 2.

($\Rightarrow$) Let $D = \operatorname{div}(f)$ be principal. Then $\deg(D) = 0$ by the "#zeros = #poles" thm. Moreover, by Abel's thm,

$$A(D) = \sum_{x \in T} \text{ord}_x(\xi) x = [0]$$

$$(\Leftarrow). \text{ Let } D = \sum_{i=1}^M m_i [x_i] - \sum_{j=1}^N n_j [y_j] \text{ w/ } m_1, \dots, m_M, n_1, \dots, n_N \geq 1$$

and $x_1, \dots, x_M, y_1, \dots, y_N$ distinct. The $\deg(D)=0$ condition is

$$\sum_{i=1}^M m_i = \sum_{j=1}^N n_j$$

and the $A(D)=0$ condition is

$$\sum_{i=1}^M m_i x_i = \sum_{j=1}^N n_j y_j \pmod{\Lambda}$$

To simplify the analysis, suppose WLOG that $\Lambda = \mathbb{Z} + \tau \mathbb{Z}$. It is easy to see that there exists representatives $x_i, y_j \in \mathbb{C}$ s.t.

$$[x_i] = x_i, \quad [y_j] = y_j, \quad \sum_{i=1}^M m_i x_i = \sum_{j=1}^N n_j y_j$$

In this case, consider the ratio of theta functions

$$f(z) = \frac{\prod_{i=1}^M \vartheta(x_i)(z; \tau)^{m_i}}{\prod_{j=1}^N \vartheta(y_j)(z; \tau)^{n_j}}$$

It is meromorphic, Λ -periodic, w/ zeros at $[x_i] = x_i$ of order m_i and poles at $[y_j] = y_j$ of order n_j . Hence, $\text{div}(f) = D$.

Ex 3. Let $D = \sum_{x \in Y} n_y [y] \in \text{Div}(Y)$. Then

$$\varphi^* D = \sum_{x \in Y} n_y \sum_{x \in \varphi^{-1}(y)} \mu_x(\varphi) [x].$$

Thus:

$$\begin{aligned}
 \deg(\varphi^* D) &= \sum_{\gamma \in Y} n_\gamma \sum_{x \in \varphi^{-1}(\gamma)} \mu_x(\varphi) \\
 &= \deg(\varphi) \sum_{\gamma \in Y} n_\gamma \\
 &= \deg(\varphi) \cdot \deg(D).
 \end{aligned}$$

If $D = \text{div}(f)$ is principal, $\varphi^* D$ is principal as well. Indeed, consider $g = f \circ \varphi$, which is a meromorphic function on X .

Then

$x \in X$ is a zero/pole of $g \iff \varphi(x)$ is a zero/pole of f

and $\text{ord}_x(g) = \text{ord}_{\varphi(x)}(f) \cdot \mu_x(\varphi)$. Thus:

$$\begin{aligned}
 \varphi^* D &= \sum_{\gamma \in Y} \text{ord}_\gamma(f) \sum_{x \in \varphi^{-1}(\gamma)} \mu_x(\varphi) [x]. \\
 &= \sum_{\gamma \in Y} \sum_{x \in \varphi^{-1}(\gamma)} \text{ord}_x(g) [x] \\
 &= \sum_{x \in X} \text{ord}_x(g) [x] = \text{div}(g).
 \end{aligned}$$

Ex 4. The map is well-defined, as $\text{div}(\lambda f) = \text{div}(f)$

$\forall \lambda \in \mathbb{C}^*$. To prove it is an iso, we show injectivity/surjectivity.

- INJ. Let $\text{div}(f) + D = \text{div}(g) + D$. Then $\text{div}\left(\frac{f}{g}\right) = 0$.
Thus, $\frac{f}{g} = \lambda \in \mathbb{C}^*$. In other words, $[f] = [g]$ in $\mathbb{P}(\mathcal{L}(D))$.
- SURJ. Take $E \sim D$, $E \geq 0$. Then $E - D = \text{div}(f)$ and $f \in \mathcal{L}(D)$, since E is positive.

In our examples:

- For $X = \mathbb{P}^1$, $D = d[X]$, we know that

$$\mathcal{L}(D) = \begin{cases} \{0\} & \text{if } d < 0 \\ \mathbb{C}[2, w]_d & \text{if } d \geq 0 \end{cases}$$

Thus,

$$|\mathcal{L}(D)| = \begin{cases} \emptyset & \text{if } d < 0 \\ \mathbb{P}(\mathbb{C}[2, w]_d) \cong \mathbb{P}^d & \text{if } d \geq 0 \end{cases}$$

- For $X = \mathbb{C}/\Lambda$, $D = [x]$, we first claim that $\mathcal{L}(D) = \mathcal{O}_x \cong \mathbb{C}$.
Indeed, $f \in \mathcal{L}(D) \iff$

$$\text{div}(f) + [x] \geq 0$$

This means that f has at most a simple pole at x and no other poles. Meromorphic functions w/ a single simple pole on a torus do not exist. Hence, f is holomorphic. As a consequence:

$$\mathbb{P}(\mathcal{L}(D)) = \{[1]\} \cong \{D\} = |\mathcal{L}(D)|.$$