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EXERCISES SHEET 8

Ex 1.

1) Let $\omega \in \Omega(\mathbb{P}^1)$. It consists of two elements:

$$f(z) dz \quad \text{on} \quad \mathbb{C} \cong \{ [x:y] \mid y \neq 0 \}$$

$$g(w) dw \quad \text{on} \quad \mathbb{C} \cong \{ [x:y] \mid x \neq 0 \}$$

with f, g holomorphic. The transition map is

$$\tau: \mathbb{C} \setminus \{0\} \rightarrow \mathbb{C} \setminus \{0\}, \quad z \mapsto w = 1/z.$$

Thus, f and g must satisfy

$$f(z) = g(1/z) \left(-1/z^2\right) \quad \forall z \in \mathbb{C} \setminus \{0\}.$$

This is impossible unless $g \equiv 0$, since the LHS is holomorphic at $z=0$ while the RHS has a pole. This implies that $f \equiv 0$. We conclude that $\omega \equiv 0$.

2) On $\mathbb{C}/\Lambda$, we can write a holomorphic form as

$$\omega = f(z) dz \quad \rightarrow$$

NB: this follows from the shape of the local charts for $\mathbb{C}/\Lambda$ from Ex. Sheet 2.

with f a holomorphic, Λ -periodic function on $\mathbb{C}$. The only such function is a constant function.

3) The function $f: \mathbb{P}^1 \rightarrow \mathbb{P}^1$, $[z:w] \mapsto [z:w]$ is represented on the two charts of $\mathbb{P}^1$ by the functions

$$z \mapsto z \quad \text{on} \quad \{ [z:w] \mid w \neq 0 \}$$

$$w \mapsto \frac{1}{w} \quad \text{on} \quad \{ [z:w] \mid z \neq 0 \}$$

Hence, df is the meromorphic form

$$dz \quad \text{on} \quad \{ [z:w] \mid w \neq 0 \}$$

$$-\frac{1}{w^2} dw \quad \text{on} \quad \{ [z:w] \mid z \neq 0 \}$$

Notice that indeed on the overlap we have

$$1 = \left(-\frac{1}{(1/2)^2} \right) \cdot \left(-\frac{1}{2^2} \right). \text{ In particular, we see that}$$

df has a double pole at $\infty = [1:0]$ and no zeros:

$$\operatorname{div}(df) = -2[\infty] \quad \Rightarrow \quad \deg(\operatorname{div}(df)) = -2.$$

Ex 2. Fix $x \in X$, set $y = f(x)$. In local coordinates around x and y , we have

$$f: z \mapsto w = z^k, \quad k = \mu_x(f).$$

On the other hand, let ω be any non-trivial meromorphic form on Y (so that $K_Y \sim \operatorname{div}(\omega)$). Locally around y , we

can write $\omega = g(w)dw$. Let $f^*\omega$ be the meromorphic form on X defined locally around x as

$$\begin{aligned} f^*\omega &= g(f(z)) df(z) \\ &= g(z^k) k z^{k-1} dz. \end{aligned}$$

Then $\text{div}(f^*\omega) \sim K_X$. Moreover, if $\text{ord}_y \omega = m$, i.e.

$$g(w) = a w^m + O(w^{m+1}), \quad a \neq 0,$$

then

$$g(z^k) k z^{k-1} = a k z^{km+k-1} + O(z^{km+k}).$$

In other words, $\text{ord}_x f^*\omega = k \cdot m + k - 1 = \mu_x(f) \text{ord}_y(\omega) + (\mu_x(f) - 1)$.

All together, we find

$$\begin{aligned} K_X &\sim \sum_{x \in X} \text{ord}_x(f^*\omega) [x] \\ &= \sum_{y \in Y} \sum_{x \in f^{-1}(y)} \mu_x(f) \text{ord}_y(\omega) [x] + \sum_{x \in X} (\mu_x(f) - 1) [x] \\ &\sim f^*K_Y + R_f. \end{aligned}$$

Ex 3. Consider the case of du . This is simply the differential of the meromorphic map

$$u: X \rightarrow \mathbb{P}^1$$

$$[x:y:z] \mapsto [x:z]$$

Indeed, on the chart $U_2 = \{z \neq 0\}$, it maps $[u:v:1]$ to u . In particular, du is a meromorphic form.

We now want to show that $f_u du = -f_v dv$ as meromorphic forms. Notice that the function $f: \mathbb{P}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ is constant zero, hence its differential is constant zero. But

$$df = f_u du + f_v dv$$

hence the thesis. This extends to the point at ∞ as well.

Consider now a polynomial $p \in \mathbb{C}[u,v]$. The discussion above implies that

$$\omega_p = p(u,v) \frac{du}{f_v}$$

this because $\frac{du}{f_v} = -\frac{dv}{f_u}$ and

f_u, f_v cannot vanish simultaneously by smoothness
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is holomorphic on the affine part $X \cap U_2$ (this is true for any degree). So we only need to check that ω_p is holomorphic at ∞ (i.e. $z=0$), provided that $\deg(p) \leq d-3$.

Consider $U = \{y \neq 0\}$, so that $X \cap U_y = \mathbb{P}^1$,

$$g(s,t) = F(s,1,t)$$

On the intersection $X \cap U_y \cap U_2$, we have $u = \frac{s}{t}$ $v = \frac{1}{t}$; hence, on $X \cap U_y \cap U_2$:

$$\omega_p = p(u,v) \frac{du}{f_v(u,v)} = \frac{p\left(\frac{s}{t}, \frac{1}{t}\right)}{f_v\left(\frac{s}{t}, \frac{1}{t}\right)} \left(\frac{ds}{t} - \frac{1}{t^2} dt \right)$$

$$= t^{d-3-n} \frac{t^n p\left(\frac{s}{t}, \frac{1}{t}\right)}{t^{d-1} f_v\left(\frac{s}{t}, \frac{1}{t}\right)} (t ds - dt)$$

where we denoted by $n = \deg(p)$. By hypothesis, $n \leq d-3$, so t^{d-3-n} is polynomial in t . Similarly,

$$t^n p\left(\frac{s}{t}, \frac{1}{t}\right), \quad t^{d-1} f_v\left(\frac{s}{t}, \frac{1}{t}\right), \quad t ds - dt$$

are polynomial in t . So ω_p extends to $t=0$ (the point at ∞), provided that the denominator doesn't vanish at such points. This can be shown by looking at ω_p in $X \cap U_x \cap U_z$ and using the smoothness condition.

Notice that

$$\dim_{\mathbb{C}} \left\{ p \in \mathbb{C}[u,v] \mid \deg(p) \leq d-3 \right\} = \binom{d-3+2}{2} = \frac{(d-1)(d-2)}{2}$$

which is precisely the genus of X .

Ex 4.

- ① By hypothesis, $\mathcal{L}(D - [x])$ has $\text{codim} = 1$, in $\mathcal{L}(D)$. In particular, we can fix a basis $f_1, \dots, f_n$ of $\mathcal{L}(D - [x])$ and extend it to a basis $f_0, f_1, \dots, f_n$ of $\mathcal{L}(D)$

by adding $f_0 \in \mathcal{L}(D) - \mathcal{L}(D-[x])$.

Then $\forall i \geq 1$

$$\text{ord}_x(f_i) \geq -(n_x - 1) > n_x$$

If by contradiction $\text{ord}_x(f_0) > n_x$, then we would have $f_0 \in \mathcal{L}(D-[x])$. Hence, $\text{ord}_x(f_0) = n_x$.

② Suppose $\varphi_D(x) = \varphi_D(y)$. WLOG, we can suppose that φ_D is defined via the basis from the point above w.r.t. $x \in X$.

(if not, we can consider a change of basis which induces an automorphism of $\mathbb{P}^n$ and proceed from there).

In this case, we have

$$\varphi_D(x) = \left[1 : \frac{f_1(x)}{f_0(x)} : \dots : \frac{f_n(x)}{f_0(x)} \right] = [1 : 0 : \dots : 0]$$

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zero at x

$$\text{since } \text{ord}_x\left(\frac{f_i}{f_0}\right) = \text{ord}_x(f_i) - \text{ord}_x(f_0) > 0.$$

Thus, $\varphi_D(y) = \varphi_D(x) = [1 : 0 : \dots : 0]$ implies that

$$\text{ord}_y(f_i) > \text{ord}_y(f_0) \quad \forall i \geq 1.$$

Since $|D|$ is free, we conclude that $f_1, \dots, f_n$ is a basis of $\mathcal{L}(D-[y])$.

This shows that

$$\varphi_D(x) = \varphi_D(y) \quad \text{iff} \quad \mathcal{L}(D - [x]) = \mathcal{L}(D - [y]).$$

It is easy to see that $\mathcal{L}(D - [x]) = \mathcal{L}(D - [y])$ iff

$$\mathcal{L}(D - [x]) = \mathcal{L}(D - [y]) = \mathcal{L}(D - [x] - [y]).$$

This concludes the proof of the first claim.

Now, since $|D|$ is free,

$$\ell(D - [x]) = \ell(D - [y]) = \ell(D) - 1 \quad \forall x, y.$$

Thus, $\ell(D - [x] - [y])$ is either $\ell(D) - 1$ or $\ell(D) - 2$.

- If φ_D is injective, by the first part

$$\mathcal{L}(D - [x] - [y]) \subsetneq \mathcal{L}(D - [x]).$$

$$\text{Hence, } \ell(D - [x] - [y]) = \ell(D) - 2.$$

- If $\ell(D - [x] - [y]) = \ell(D) - 2 \quad \forall x \neq y$, then the tower of inclusions

$$\mathcal{L}(D - [x] - [y]) \subsetneq \mathcal{L}(D - [x]) \subsetneq \mathcal{L}(D)$$

must be proper $\forall x \neq y$, hence φ_D is injective.

- ③ To have an embedding, we must check that $\forall \epsilon \in X$, after choosing the basis from ①, $\exists i \geq 1$ st.

$$f_i = \frac{a}{2^{n_x-1}} + O(2^{-n_x+2}), \quad a \neq 0.$$

This is because, if this is the case, near x we can write φ_D as

$$z \mapsto [1: \dots : a + O(z): \dots]$$

This is possible iff $\exists f \in \mathcal{L}(D - [x]) \setminus \mathcal{L}(D - 2[x])$, thus concluding the proof.