

# Chapter 2 of Mumford's Abelian Variety

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1. Abelian variety is commutative. The classical proof for  $k = \mathbb{C}$  is based on considering the adjoint representation of  $X$  in the tangent space at  $e$ . In the general case we consider  $C_{e,n} := \mathcal{O}_e/\mathfrak{m}^n$ . Consider  $Ad_x : X \rightarrow X$ . This induces an automorphism of the vector space  $C_{e,n}$ . Thus we obtain a set-theoretic map  $X \rightarrow \text{Aut}(C_{e,n})$ . If we put on the target the natural structure of an algebraic variety over  $k$ , then we can check this is a morphism of varieties. Since the latter is affine and  $X$  is complete and connected, this map must be constant! Since  $\bigcap_n \mathfrak{m}^n = 0$  this means that  $Ad_x^* : \mathcal{O}_e \rightarrow \mathcal{O}_e$  is identity so  $Ad_x$  reduce to the identity in a neighborhood of  $e$  in  $X$ . Since  $X$  is irreducible, we are done.
2. The following is true for general group variety: We have an isomorphism of sheaves  $\Omega_0 \otimes_k \mathcal{O}_X \cong \Omega_X^1$  where  $\Omega_0 := T_{X,0}^*$ . Since  $X$  is complete,  $H^0(X, \mathcal{O}_X) = k$ , so everywhere regular forms on  $X$  are precisely the invariant forms.
3. We can show  $n_X : X \rightarrow X$  given by  $x \mapsto x + x + \dots + x$  is surjective for  $n \nmid \text{char}(k)$  by inspecting it on  $T_{X,e}$  and using the dimension formula.
4. Rigidity lemma: If  $X$  complete variety and  $f : X \times Y \rightarrow Z$  is a morphism of varieties such that  $f(X \times \{y_0\})$  is mapped to a single point  $z_0$ , then there exists  $g : Y \rightarrow Z$  such that  $f = g \circ \text{pr}_2$ .

Idea: Define  $g$  by choosing any  $x_0 \in X$  and  $y \mapsto f(x_0, y)$ . By the completeness of  $X$ , for any affine open neighborhood  $U$  of  $z_0$ , we have

$G := \text{pr}_2(f^{-1}(Z \setminus U))$  is closed in  $Y$  and  $V := Y \setminus G$  is nonempty open (since  $y_0 \in V$ ) and satisfies the requirement that  $X \times \{y\}$  gets mapped by  $f$  into the affine  $U$ , hence is mapped to a single point.

5. Corollary: Any morphism between abelian variety is a group homomorphism up to translation.
6. The functor  $S \mapsto \text{Hom}(S, X)$  is linear on the category of complete varieties with base point.
7. There is even a weaker characterization of abelian varieties: A morphism  $m : X \times X \rightarrow X$  on a complete variety  $X$  with a point  $e \in X$  satisfying  $m|_{X \times \{e\}} = m|_{\{e\} \times X} = \text{id}_X$  makes  $X$  an abelian variety. See page 44-45.

8. Any proper morphism of Noetherian schemes  $f : X \rightarrow Y$  with  $Y = \text{Spec}(A)$  affine,  $\mathcal{F}$  coherent sheaf on  $X$ , flat over  $Y$ . There is a finite complex of f.g. projective  $A$ -modules  $K^\bullet$  and an isomorphism of functors:  $H^p(X \times_Y \text{Spec}(B), \mathcal{F} \otimes_A \text{Spec}(B)) \cong H^p(K^\bullet \otimes_A B)$  on the category of  $A$ -algebra  $B$ .
9. Corollary 1: The dimension of cohomology groups  $y \mapsto \dim_{\kappa(y)} H^p(X_y, \mathcal{F}_y)$  is upper semicontinuous on  $Y$  and the euler characteristic  $y \mapsto \chi(\mathcal{F}_y)$  is locally constant on  $Y$ .
10. Corollary 2: We can derive the proper base change for coherent sheaves, and it also follows that if the dimension of  $H^i(X_y, \mathcal{F}_y)$  is constant in  $y$  (so  $R^i f_* \mathcal{F}$  is locally free sheaf and base change holds) then base change holds for  $R^{i-1} \mathcal{F}$  (by right exactness of  $\otimes$ ).
11. Seesaw theorem (family of line bundles on complete varieties). We use here the homological criterion for triviality of a line bundle and the upper semicontinuity.
12. Corollary: Theorem of the cube (it more or less says that  $\text{Pic}(X) = H^1(X, \mathcal{O}^\times)$  is a quadratic functor, which is obvious from the exponential exact sequence if  $k = \mathbb{C}$ , since Kunneth implies that  $H^2(X, \mathbb{Z})$  is of order 2 and  $H^1(X, \mathcal{O})$  is of order 1 when  $X$  is complete so  $H^0(X, \mathcal{O}) = k$ ). Morally the quadratic nature of  $\text{Pic}$  follows from that of the component group, which is naturally subgroup of  $H^2(X, \mathbb{Z})$ .
13. Corollary: If  $\mathcal{L}$  is a line bundle on  $X \times Y \times Z$ , then there is  $\mathcal{L}_i$  for  $i = 1, 2, 3$  such that  $\mathcal{L}$  is tensor product of pullback of  $\mathcal{L}_i$  under projection  $p_i$ .
14. Corollary: computation of  $(f + g + h)^* \mathcal{L}$  (use Theorem of the cube)
15. Corollary 1 of (14): computation of  $n^* \mathcal{L}$  ((14) implies the second difference  $(n + 2)^* \mathcal{L} \otimes (n + 1)^* \mathcal{L}^{-2} \otimes n^* \mathcal{L}$  is independent of  $n$  and isomorphic to  $1^* \mathcal{L} \otimes (-1)^* \mathcal{L}$ ).
16. Corollary 2 of (14): Theorem of square (For any line bundle  $\mathcal{L}$  we have the Abel Jacobi map  $\phi_{\mathcal{L}} : X \rightarrow \text{Pic}(X)$  given by  $x \mapsto T_x^* \mathcal{L} \otimes \mathcal{L}^{-1}$ , the fudge factor  $\mathcal{L}^{-1}$  is because  $T_x^{\mathcal{L}}$  is second order)
17. A generic effective divisor  $\mathcal{L} := \mathcal{L}(D)$  on  $X$  is ample (in the sense that the closed subgroup  $H := \text{Stab}(\mathcal{L})$  is finite). This implies that abelian varieties are projective.