

# Lecture 10

## Abel - Jacobi maps & geometric applications

today: Hodge structures for geometric applications.



### Abel - Jacobi map

$\mathbb{C}$  alg. curve genus  $g$ :  
sm. proj. sph.

$$H_1(C, \mathbb{Z}) \cong \mathbb{Z}^{2g}$$

counts loops

$$H^0(C, \Omega^1) \cong \mathbb{C}^g$$

counts global holomorphic differentials  
geom. genus

$$\leadsto \text{pairing } H_1(C, \mathbb{Z}) \times H^0(C, \Omega^1) \longrightarrow \mathbb{C} : (\gamma, \omega) \longmapsto \int_{\gamma} \omega$$

embeds  $H_1(C, \mathbb{Z}) \hookrightarrow H^0(C, \Omega^1)^\vee$  as lattice

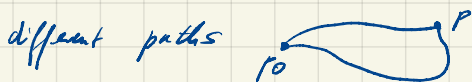
$$\boxed{\text{Jac}(C) = H^0(C, \Omega^1)^\vee / \text{Im } H_1(C, \mathbb{Z})}$$

Jacobian of curve  $C$ .

Choose  $p_0 \in C$ , basis  $\omega_1, \dots, \omega_g \in H^0(C, \Omega^1)$  & def

Abel-Jacobi map  $\mu: C \rightarrow \text{Jac}(C) : p \mapsto \left( \int_{p_0}^p \omega_1, \dots, \int_{p_0}^p \omega_g \right)$

think of  $\int_{p_0}^p$  as linear form  $H^0(C, \Omega^1) \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ .



different paths from a loop  $\rightarrow$  well-def<sup>d</sup> up to  $\text{Im } H_1(C, \mathbb{Z})$

[ depends on  $p_0$ , but only up to translation by  $[p] - [p_0]$  in  $\text{Jac}(C)$  ]

### aside: Period / elliptic integrals

integrals like

$$\int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} \sqrt{1 - k^2 \sin^2 \theta} \, d\theta$$

(from arc-length of ellipse)

or  $\int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} \frac{dt}{\sqrt{1 - k^2 \sin^2 t}}$

(from period of pendulum)

can be rewritten as

$$\int_{p_0}^p \frac{dx}{y}$$

for ell. curve

$$y^2 = x^3 + ax^2 + bx + c$$

invariant diff. form on ell. curve.

integral on closed loops = periods = entries of period matrix

$$\left( \int_{\gamma_i} \omega_j \right) \in H^0(C, \Omega^1)^\vee$$

The Abel-Jacobi theorem  $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} C \text{ sm. proj. alg. curve, } C_0 \in C \\ \text{genus } g \end{array} \right.$

extend Abel-Jacobi map  $\mu: C \rightarrow \text{Jac}(C)$

to  $AJ: \text{Div}^0(C) \rightarrow \text{Jac}(C): \sum u_i ([x_i] - [s_0]) \mapsto \sum u_i \mu(x_i)$

see  $\left( \bigoplus_{x \in C} \mathbb{Z} \xrightarrow{\sum} \mathbb{Z} \right)$  degree-0 divisors by linearity

① Abel's Theorem  $D = \sum u_i [x_i] \text{ w/ } \sum u_i = 0$

$D$  is principal, i.e.  $D = \text{div}(f)$  for meromorphic  $f: C \rightarrow \mathbb{P}^1$

iff  $AJ(D) = 0$  in  $\text{Jac}(C)$

$\Leftrightarrow$   $AJ$  descends to injective map  $\text{Cl}^0(C) \rightarrow \text{Jac}(C)$

② Jacobi inversion problem  $\text{Div}^0(C) / \text{principal div.}$

every pt in  $\text{Jac}(C)$  is of the form  $AJ(D)$  for some  $D = \sum_{i=1}^g u_i ([x_i] - [s_0])$

$\hat{=} AJ: \text{Cl}^0(C) \rightarrow \text{Jac}(C)$  is surjective.

Consequence:  $\text{Jac}(C)$  parametrizes degree-0 divisors on  $C$

even better:  $\text{Jac}(C)$  has algebraic structure (abelian variety of dim  $g$ )

and is birational to  $\text{Sym}^g(C) = C^{\times g} / \Sigma_g$   $g$ -th symmetric power

example:  $E$  elliptic curve

by Abel-Jacobi thm  $E \xrightarrow{(+E)} \text{Jac}(E): p \mapsto [p] - [s_0]$

is an isomorphism of alg. varieties

$\Rightarrow$  analytic construction of gp law

rem: not all complex tori are algebraic, not all abelian varieties are Jacobians of curves

$\Theta$ : theta divisor / polarization of ab. var.

— is the ch. class  $\frac{1}{(g-2)!} \frac{\Theta^{g-2} - \Theta}{g-2}$  that looks like image of  $\text{Sym}^g(C) \rightarrow \text{Jac}(C)$  actually algebraic?

# Intermediate Jacobians: complex tori from Hodge structures

$X$  sm. proj. glx. var  $\rightarrow$  Hodge decomposition / filtration

for odd-degree cohomology

$$H^k(X, \mathbb{C}) \cong \bigoplus_{p+q=k} H^{p,q}, \quad H^{p,q} = \overline{H^{q,p}}$$

$$F^r H^k(X, \mathbb{C}) = \bigoplus_{p \geq r} H^{p, k-p}(X)$$

$$H^{2g-1}(X, \mathbb{C}) = F^g H^{2g-1}(X) \oplus \overline{F^g H^{2g-1}(X)}$$

$$H^{2g-1}(X, \mathbb{R}) \cong H^{2g-1}(X, \mathbb{C}) / F^g H^{2g-1}(X, \mathbb{C})$$

ISO of real vector spaces

but then  $H^{2g-1}(X, \mathbb{R})$  acquires glx. structure.

This means  $F^g H^{2g-1}$  has trivial intersection w/  $H^{2g-1}(X, \mathbb{R})$

image of  $H^{2g-1}(X, \mathbb{Z})$  is lattice  $(\mathbb{R} H^k(\mathbb{Z}) = \dim H^k(\mathbb{R}))$

## Def $\mathbb{R}$ - $\mathbb{Z}$ intermediate Jacobian

$$Jac^g(X) = H^{2g-1}(X, \mathbb{C}) / F^g H^{2g-1}(X) \oplus H^{2g-1}(X, \mathbb{Z})$$

Complex torus assoc. to sm. proj. var or more generally pure Hodge structure odd wt

Now: can use Poincaré duality to interpret  $H_{2g-1}(X, \mathbb{Z}) \rightarrow F^{n-g} H^{2n-2g+1}(X)^\vee$  in terms of integrals.  
then recall previous def for  $g=1$ :  $F^1 H^1 = H^{1,0} = H^0(X, \mathbb{C}^*)$

## aside: Cycle class map & higher Abel-Jacobi maps

$X$  smooth variety /  $\mathbb{C}$

(detecting homologically trivial cycles)

### cycle class map

$$CH^n(X) \longrightarrow H^{2n}(X(\mathbb{C}), \mathbb{Z}) : Z \mapsto X \hookrightarrow \text{Poincaré dual of } \mathbb{Z}(\mathbb{C}) \subseteq X(\mathbb{C})$$

codim  $n$  alg. subvarieties  
mod rat<sup>s</sup> equivalence

classes in  $\mathbb{Z}$  and one homologically trivial cycles.

homologically trivial cycles detected by Abel-Jacobi maps

$$AJ: CH_{hom}^n(X) \longrightarrow Jac^{n-1}(X)$$

(expl:  $CH^1 \rightarrow H^2$  for curve  $C$  is degree map,  $\rightarrow$  homologically triv cycles = deg 0 divisors)

aside: Cycle class maps: motivic cohomology vs. Hodge theory

Blah cycle class maps  $CH^p(X, n) \longrightarrow H_{\mathbb{Q}}^{2p-n}(X, \mathbb{Z}(p))$

$H_{\text{mot}}^{2p-n}(X, \mathbb{Z}(p))$  Deligne cohomology:  $\text{shaf hypercohom. of}$

$\mathbb{Z}(p)_0: 0 \rightarrow (2n)^p \mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \Omega^0 \rightarrow \Omega^1 \rightarrow \dots \rightarrow \Omega^{p-1} \rightarrow 0$

$0 \rightarrow \frac{H^{2p-n-1}(X, \mathbb{C})}{F^p H^{2p-n-1}(X, \mathbb{C}) + H^{2p-n-1}(X, \mathbb{R}(p))} \rightarrow H_{\mathbb{Q}}^{2p-n}(X, \mathbb{Z}(p)) \rightarrow H^{2p-n}(X, \mathbb{Z}(p)) \cap F^p \rightarrow 0$

intermediate jacobian integral Hodge classes

philosophy: interpret Blah cycle class map as map  $\text{Ext}_{\text{MHM}}^1 \rightarrow \text{Ext}_{\text{MHS}}^1$

intermediate jacobians of Hodge structure as  $\text{Ext}_{\text{MHS}}^1(\mathbb{Z}(\cdot), H)$

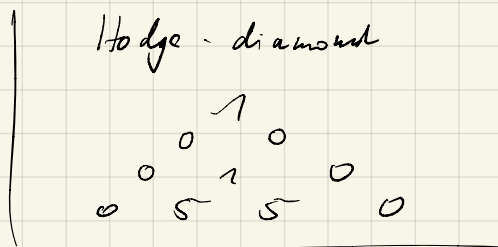
Non-rationality of cubic 3-folds

cubic 3-fold =  $V(F) \subseteq \mathbb{P}^4$  for deg 3 homog. polynomial  $F$

e.g.  $V^2W + W^2X + X^2Y + Y^2Z + Z^2V = 0.$

intermediate jacobian:

$\text{Jac}^2(X) = H^3(X, \mathbb{C}) / (H^{2,1} \oplus H^3(X, \mathbb{Z}))$



Clemens - Griffiths:

①  $\text{Jac}^2(X) \cong \text{Jac}^1(S) \cong \text{Jac}^2(S)$

$\mathbb{P}^2$  Alb

for  $S = \{ \ell \in G(2,5) \mid \ell \subseteq X \}$  Fano surface of lines on  $X$

lines in  $\mathbb{P}^4$

②  $\text{Jac}^2(X)$  is not the Jacobian of a curve

③ if  $X \sim \mathbb{P}^3$  birational, then  $\text{Jac}^2(X)$  is Jacobian of curve

(possibly reducible, comes from blowing centers in factorization of birational maps)

$\leadsto X$  not rational