

# GEOMETRIC CLASS FIELD THEORY AND AN INTRODUCTION TO THE LANGLANDS PROGRAM

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## 1. LECTURE I : GLOBAL FIELDS AND CLASS FIELD THEORY

1.1. **Galois groups.** Let  $K$  be a field. We let  $K^{sep}$  be a separable closure of  $K$ . We let  $G_K = \text{Aut}_K(K^{sep})$  be the absolute Galois group of  $K$ .

Let  $L \subset K^{sep}$  be a finite extension of  $K$ . We say that  $L$  is Galois if for all  $\sigma \in G_K$ ,  $\sigma(L) = L$ . The Galois group of  $L$  over  $K$  is  $\text{Gal}(L/K) = \text{Aut}_K(L)$ .

**Proposition 1.1.** *Let  $L/K$  be a Galois extension.*

- (1) *The natural map  $G_K \rightarrow \text{Gal}(L/K)$  is surjective.*
- (2) *The group  $\text{Gal}(L/K)$  has cardinality  $\dim_K L$ .*

Any finite extension  $L \subset K^{sep}$  is contained in a Galois extension. Therefore,  $G_K = \varprojlim_{L/K, \text{finite galois}} \text{Gal}(L/K)$ .

We equip  $G_K$  with a topology by declaring that an open basis of neighborhoods of 1 is given by the  $G_L = \text{Gal}(K^{sep}/L)$  for  $L/K$  a finite extension. Then  $G_K$  is a profinite group. Moreover the Galois correspondence is :

**Theorem 1.1.**

$$\begin{aligned} \{ \text{Open subgroups of } G_K \} &\leftrightarrow \{ \text{Finite separable field extensions of } K \} \\ H &\mapsto (K^{sep})^H \\ G_L &\leftarrow L \end{aligned}$$

*Example 1.* Let  $q = p^r$  and let  $K = \mathbb{F}_q$  be the finite field with  $q$  elements. Let  $\overline{\mathbb{F}_q}$  be an algebraic closure of  $\mathbb{F}_q$ . For all  $n \geq 0$ , there is a unique extension of  $\mathbb{F}_q$ ,  $\mathbb{F}_{q^n} \subset \overline{\mathbb{F}_q}$  of degree  $n$ . Its Galois group is isomorphic to  $\mathbb{Z}/n\mathbb{Z}$ , and a generator is given by the Frobenius  $\text{Frob}_q : x \mapsto x^q$ . Therefore  $G_{\mathbb{F}_q} \simeq \hat{\mathbb{Z}}$  and  $\text{Frob}_q$  is a topological generator.

*Example 2.* Let  $K = \mathbb{R}$  be the field of real numbers. We have  $\overline{\mathbb{R}} = \mathbb{C}$  and  $G_{\mathbb{R}} = \mathbb{Z}/2\mathbb{Z}$ , the generator is given by the complex conjugation  $c : z \mapsto \bar{z}$ .

## 1.2. Discrete valuation rings.

1.2.1. *Valuations.* Let  $K$  be a field. A discrete valuation  $v$  (of rank 1) on  $K$  is a surjective function :  $v : K^\times \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}$  which satisfies :

- (1)  $v(xy) = v(x) + v(y)$ ,
- (2)  $v(x + y) \geq \inf\{v(x), v(y)\}$ .

One extends  $v$  to  $K$  by setting  $v(0) = +\infty$ .

*Example 3.* The trivial valuation on a field  $K$  is defined by  $v(x) = 1$  for all  $x \in K^\times$ .

*Example 4.* Let  $p$  be a prime number. For all  $x \in \mathbb{Q}^\times$ , write  $x = x'p^n$  where  $p$  does not appear in the prime decomposition of  $x'$ , and set  $v_p(x) = n$ . This is the  $p$ -adic valuation on  $\mathbb{Q}$ .

*Example 5.* Let  $k$  be a field. Let  $k(T)$  be the field of rational functions over  $k$ . Let  $P$  be an irreducible polynomial. For any  $x \in k(T)^\times$ , write  $x = x'P^n$  where  $P$  does not appear in the decomposition of  $x$  in product of prime ideals and let  $v_P(x) = n$ . This is the  $P$ -adic valuation on  $k(T)$ . Let  $\text{deg} : k(T) \rightarrow \mathbb{Z} \cup \{\infty\}$  be the degree map. Then  $-\text{deg}$  is a valuation.

**Theorem 1.2 (Ostrowski).** *The only non-trivial valuations on  $\mathbb{Q}$  are (up to equivalence) the  $p$ -adic valuations  $v_p$  for prime numbers  $p$ .*

*Proof.* [Cas67], section. 3, p. 45. □

**Theorem 1.3.** *The only non-trivial valuation on  $k(T)$  which are trivial on  $k$  are the  $v_P$  for  $P$  an irreducible polynomial and  $-\deg$ .*

1.2.2. *Valuation ring.* We let  $A = \{x \in K, v(x) \geq 0\}$ . This is the ring of the valuation  $v$ . It is easy to check that  $A$  is a discrete valuation ring, namely a principal domain which has a unique non-zero prime ideal. Conversely,  $A$  determines the valuation  $v$ . Indeed, we have a group isomorphism  $K^\times/A^\times \simeq \mathbb{Z}$  which sends a generator  $\pi$  of the maximal ideal of  $A$  to 1 and we recover  $v$  as the composite  $K^\times \rightarrow K^\times/A^\times \simeq \mathbb{Z}$ .

We let  $|\cdot|_v = e^{-v(\cdot)}$  be the associated norm. It is called non-archimedean because  $|x + y|_v \leq \sup\{|x|_v, |y|_v\}$ .

1.2.3. *Completion.* If  $A$  is a discrete valuation ring, we can consider its completion  $\hat{A}$  with respect to the norm  $|\cdot|_v$ . Concretely,  $\hat{A} = \lim_n A/\mathfrak{p}^n$ .

### 1.3. Dedekind rings.

#### 1.3.1. Definition.

**Definition 1.1.** *A Dedekind ring is a noetherian domain which is integrally closed of dimension one.*

**Proposition 1.2.** *A noetherian domain is a Dedekind ring if and only if, for all maximal ideal  $\mathfrak{p}$  of  $A$ , the localization  $A_{(\mathfrak{p})}$  is a discrete valuation ring.*

**Proof.** See [Ser68], proposition 4 on p. 22. □

For any maximal ideal  $\mathfrak{p}$  of  $A$ , we denote by  $v_{\mathfrak{p}}$  the corresponding  $\mathfrak{p}$ -adic valuation. We will also denote by  $A_{\mathfrak{p}} = \hat{A}_{(\mathfrak{p})}$  the completion of  $A$  for the  $\mathfrak{p}$ -adic topology.

1.3.2. *Fractional ideals.* A fractional ideal of a Dedekind ring  $A$  is a non-zero finitely generated submodule of  $K = \text{Frac}(A)$ . The set of fractional ideals is a monoid under multiplication, with neutral element  $A$  itself.

**Proposition 1.3.** *The fractional ideals of a Dedekind ring form a group. Any fractional ideal  $\mathfrak{a}$  has a unique expression*

$$\mathfrak{a} = \prod_{\mathfrak{p}} \mathfrak{p}^{n_{\mathfrak{p}}}$$

where almost all the  $n_{\mathfrak{p}}$  are zero.

**Proof.** See [Ser68], corollaire and proposition 7 on p. 24. □

1.3.3. *Extension of Dedekind rings.* Let  $A$  be a Dedekind ring with fraction field  $K$ . Let  $L$  be a finite extension of  $K$ . Let  $B$  be the integral closure of  $A$  in  $L$ .

**Theorem 1.4.** *If either  $A$  is a finite type algebra over a field, or  $L$  is a separable extension of  $K$ ,  $B$  is a finite  $A$ -algebra and a Dedekind ring.*

**Proof.** See [Ser68], part I, chap. 4. □

We assume that the assumptions of the theorem hold. There is a (surjective) map  $\text{Spec } B \rightarrow \text{Spec } A$ . We say that a prime ideal  $\mathfrak{P}$  in  $B$  divides a prime ideal  $\mathfrak{p}$  and write  $\mathfrak{P} | \mathfrak{p}$  if  $\mathfrak{P}$  is mapped to  $\mathfrak{p}$ .

If  $\mathfrak{p}$  is a maximal ideal of  $A$ , we have  $\mathfrak{p} = \prod_{\mathfrak{P} | \mathfrak{p}} \mathfrak{P}^{e_{\mathfrak{P}}}$ . The integer  $e_{\mathfrak{P}}$  is called the ramification index at  $\mathfrak{P}$ . The residual degree at  $\mathfrak{P}$  is the degree of the finite extension  $A/\mathfrak{p} \rightarrow B/\mathfrak{P}$  and is denoted by  $f_{\mathfrak{P}}$ .

**Proposition 1.4.** *We have the formula  $\sum_{\mathfrak{P} | \mathfrak{p}} e_{\mathfrak{P}} f_{\mathfrak{P}} = \dim_K L$ .*

**Proof.**  $B \otimes A_{(\mathfrak{p})}$  is a finite free  $A_{(\mathfrak{p})}$ -module of finite rank  $\dim_K L$ . By reduction modulo  $\mathfrak{p}$  we find that  $B/\mathfrak{p} \rightarrow \prod B/\mathfrak{P}^{e_{\mathfrak{P}}}$  is an isomorphism. The formula is obtained by comparing the dimensions as  $A/\mathfrak{p}$ -modules on both sides.  $\square$

**Definition 1.2.** We say that  $B$  is unramified over  $A$  at  $\mathfrak{P}$  if  $e_{\mathfrak{P}} = 1$ .

1.3.4. *Ramification.* Let  $K \subset L$  be a finite separable extension of fields. We have a non-degenerate bilinear trace map  $\text{Tr} : L \times L \rightarrow K$ . Let  $A \subset K$  be a Dedekind ring with fraction field  $K$ . Let  $B$  be the integral closure of  $A$  in  $L$ . We assume that the assumptions of theorem 1.4 hold.

We can define  $\mathfrak{D}_{B/A}^{-1} = \{x \in L, \text{Tr}(xB) \subseteq A\}$ . This is a fractional ideal of  $B$  and its inverse  $\mathfrak{D}_{B/A}$  is an ideal called the different of  $B$  with respect to  $A$ .

**Proposition 1.5.** The set of ramified prime of  $B$  over  $A$  is exactly the set of primes which divide the different  $\mathfrak{D}_{B/A}$ . In particular this is a finite set.

**Proof.** See [Ser68], thm 1 on page 62.  $\square$

1.3.5. *Unramified extensions in complete discrete valuation rings.* Let  $\mathcal{O}_K$  be a complete discrete valuation ring. Let  $K$  be its field of fraction. For any finite separable extension  $L$  of  $K$ , we let  $\mathcal{O}_L$  be the integral closure of  $\mathcal{O}_K$  in  $L$ .

**Lemma 1.1.** The ring  $\mathcal{O}_L$  is a complete discrete valuation ring.

**Proof.** We know that  $\mathcal{O}_L$  is a Dedekind ring and has finitely many maximal ideals. Each of these ideals induce a topology on  $L$  which extends the topology of  $K$ . Since  $K$  is complete, this topology is unique (this is the product topology on  $K^n$  identified with  $L$ ). Therefore there is a unique maximal prime in  $\mathcal{O}_L$ .  $\square$

Let  $K^{sep}$  be a separable closure of  $K$ . This is a valued field (in general not complete). Let  $\mathfrak{m}_{\mathcal{O}_K^{sep}}$  be the maximal ideal of  $\mathcal{O}_{K^{sep}}$ . Let  $k^{sep} = \mathcal{O}_{K^{sep}}/\mathfrak{m}_{\mathcal{O}_K^{sep}}$ .

**Theorem 1.5.**  $k^{sep}$  is a separable closure of  $k$  and there is an equivalence of category :

$$\begin{aligned} \{ \text{Unramified finite extensions } L \subset K^{sep} \} &\rightarrow \{ \text{finite extensions } \ell \subset k^{sep} \} \\ L &\mapsto \mathcal{O}_L/\mathfrak{m}_{\mathcal{O}_L} \end{aligned}$$

**Proof.** [Fr7], p. 26.  $\square$

Assume that  $L/K$  is Galois. Let  $\text{Gal}(L/K)$  be the Galois group. We have a surjective map  $\text{Gal}(L/K) \rightarrow \text{Gal}(\ell/k)$  whose kernel is denoted by  $I_{L/K}$  and is called the inertia. Passing to the limit over  $L$  we have an exact sequence :

$$1 \rightarrow I_K \rightarrow G_K \rightarrow G_k \rightarrow 1.$$

## 1.4. Global fields.

1.4.1. *Definition.* A global field  $K$  is either a number field or a function field of one variable over a finite field  $\mathbb{F}_q$ .

- (1)  $K$  is a number field. That is  $K$  is a field of characteristic 0 and is a finite extension of  $\mathbb{Q}$ .
- (2)  $K$  is a function field of one variable over a finite field  $\mathbb{F}_q$ . That is,  $K$  is a field of characteristic  $p$  and is a finite type extension of transcendence degree 1 over  $\mathbb{F}_p$ . Moreover  $\mathbb{F}_q$  is the integral closure of  $\mathbb{F}_p$  in  $K$ . The simplest example of such field is  $\mathbb{F}_q(T)$ .

If  $K$  is a number field,  $K$  is finite over  $\mathbb{Q}$  and we let  $\mathcal{O}_K$  be the ring of integer. If  $K$  is a function field, we can choose  $T \in K$  which is not algebraic over  $\mathbb{F}_p$  and  $K$  is finite over  $\mathbb{F}_q(T)$ . But  $T$  is not unique.

1.4.2. *Places.* A place  $v$  of  $K$  is an equivalence class of non-trivial rank one norm :

$$|\cdot|_v : K \rightarrow \mathbb{R}_{\geq 0}.$$

There is the following description of the places of  $K$ .

**Proposition 1.6.** *If  $K$  is a number field, the places of  $K$  are the non-archimedean norms  $|\cdot|_{\mathfrak{P}}$  attached to the maximal ideals  $\mathfrak{P} \in \text{Spec } \mathcal{O}_K$  and the archimedean norms  $|\cdot|_{\sigma}$  for embeddings  $\sigma : K \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ .*

*Proof.* [Cas67], p. 45. □

*Remark 1.1.* Two conjugate embeddings  $\sigma$  and  $\bar{\sigma}$  give the same archimedean norm.

**Proposition 1.7.** *If  $K$  is a function field, there exists a unique non-singular complete curve  $X$  with function field  $K$  and the places of  $K$  are the valuations attached to the closed points of the curve  $X$ .*

*Proof.* See lecture II. □

*Remark 1.2.* If we consider  $\mathbb{F}_p(T)$ , the associated curve is  $\mathbb{P}_{\mathbb{F}_p}^1 = \mathbb{A}_{\mathbb{F}_p}^1 \cup \{\infty\}$ . The closed points of  $\mathbb{A}^1$  are the irreducible monic polynomials  $P \in \mathbb{F}_p[T]$  with corresponding norms  $|\cdot|_P$ , and  $\infty$  corresponds to the valuation  $-deg$ .

In all cases, we let  $X$  (or  ${}_K X$  if the context is unclear) be the set of places of  $K$ . In the number field case, we have  $X = X_{fin} \cup X_{\infty}$  where  $X_{fin} = \text{Specmax } \mathcal{O}_K$  is the set of finite places and  $X_{\infty} = \{\sigma : K \rightarrow \mathbb{C}\} / \{\text{complex conjugation}\}$  is the set of infinite places.

1.5. **From global to local fields.** If  $v$  is a place of  $K$ , we let  $K_v$  be the completion of  $K$  with respect to  $|\cdot|_v$ . If  $v$  is not archimedean, we let  $\mathcal{O}_v$  or  $\mathcal{O}_{K_v}$  the ring of elements  $x \in K_v$  with  $v(x) \geq 0$ . If  $v$  is archimedean, then  $K_v = \mathbb{R}$  or  $\mathbb{C}$ .

Let  $L/K$  be a finite field extension of  $K$ . Let  $w$  be a place of  $L$ . Then  $w$  restricts to a place  $v$  of  $K$  and we say  $w \mid v$ . Therefore, we have a map  ${}_L X \rightarrow {}_K X$ .

We have the following "localization" formula :

**Proposition 1.8.** *The canonical map  $L \otimes_K K_v \rightarrow \prod_{w \mid v} L_w$  is an isomorphism.*

**Definition 1.3.** *We say that the extension  $L/K$  is unramified at a finite place  $v$  if all the extensions  $L_w/K_v$  are unramified.*

**Proposition 1.9.** *A finite extension  $L/K$  is ramified at only finitely many places of  $K$ .*

1.6. **Decomposition group.** Let  $L/K$  be a finite Galois extension. Let  $f : {}_L X \rightarrow {}_K X$ . The group  $Gal(L/K)$  acts on  ${}_L X$ , trivially on  ${}_K X$ .

**Proposition 1.10.** *For any  $v \in {}_K X$ , the action of  $Gal(L/K)$  is transitive on  $f^{-1}(v)$ .*

*Proof.* See [Tat67], prop. 1.2. □

Let  $w \in f^{-1}(v)$  and let  $D_v = \{\sigma \in Gal(L/K), \sigma w = w\}$ .

**Proposition 1.11.** *The map  $D_v \rightarrow Gal(L_w/K_v)$  is an isomorphism.*

*Proof.* See [Tat67], prop. 1.2. □

The group  $D_v$  is independent of  $w$  and called the decomposition group at  $v$ . Its embedding in  $Gal(L/K)$  depends on  $w$ , but its conjugacy class is independent of  $w$ .

1.7. **Frobenius substitution.** If we assume that  $L/K$  is unramified at a finite place  $v$ , then we have a canonical element  $Frob_v \in D_v$ , and therefore a conjugacy class  $Frob_v \in Gal(L/K)$ .

**1.8. The Artin reciprocity map.** We now assume that  $L/K$  is abelian. This implies that the conjugacy action of  $Gal(L/K)$  on itself is trivial. Let  $\Sigma$  be the set of finite places where  $L/K$  is ramified.

Let  $I^\Sigma$  be the free abelian group generated by finite places not in  $\Sigma$ .

We define a map :

$$\begin{aligned} \text{rec}_{L/K} : I^\Sigma &\rightarrow Gal(L/K) \\ v &\mapsto \text{Frob}_v \end{aligned}$$

**Theorem 1.6** (crude reciprocity law). *The map  $\text{rec}_{L/K}$  is onto and there exists  $\epsilon > 0$  such that for all  $a \in K^\times$  which satisfy :*

- (1)  $|a - 1|_v < \epsilon$  for all  $v \in \Sigma$ ,
- (2)  $\sigma(a) > 0$  for all  $\sigma : K \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  in the number field case,

*we have  $\text{rec}_{L/K}(a) = 1$ .*

*Remark 1.3.* By  $\text{rec}_{L/K}(a)$  we mean  $\text{rec}_{L/K}(\sum_{v \notin \Sigma} v(a) \cdot v)$ . This is a very hard result, you can consult [Tat67].

In this course, we will be interested in everywhere unramified extensions of  $K$ . Let  $H/K$  be the maximal abelian everywhere unramified extension of  $K$  (also called the Hilbert class field of  $K$ ).

In the number field case, we have a map  $I^{X_\infty} \rightarrow Gal(H/K)$ . We remark that  $I^{X_\infty}$  is the group of fractional ideals over  $\text{Spec } \mathcal{O}_K$ . Let

$$Cl^+(\mathcal{O}_K) = I^{X_\infty} / \{a \in K^\times, \forall \sigma : K \rightarrow \mathbb{R}, \sigma(a) > 0\}$$

be the strict class group.

In the function field case we have a map  $I^\emptyset \rightarrow Gal(H/K)$ . We remark that  $I^\emptyset$  is the group of divisors on the curve  $X$  corresponding to  $K$ . Let  $Pic(X) = Div(X)/div(K^\times)$  be the Picard group.

**Theorem 1.7.** *In the number field case, the map  $Cl^+(\mathcal{O}_K) \rightarrow Gal(H/K)$  is an isomorphism. In the function field case, the map  $Pic(X) \rightarrow Gal(H/K)$  is injective with dense image.*

One of the main goal of these lectures is to give Deligne's geometric proof of this theorem in the function field case. We can further geometrize the statement by interpreting  $Gal(H/K)$  as  $\pi_1(X)^{ab}$ . Therefore the theorem reads as an injection with dense image :

$$Pic(X) \rightarrow \pi_1(X)^{ab}.$$

One can actually refine the statement. We have a degree map  $Pic(X) \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}$ . We also have a natural map  $\pi_1(X) \rightarrow \pi_1(\text{Spec } \mathbb{F}_q) = \hat{\mathbb{Z}}$ . Let us define the Weil group of  $X$ ,  $W(X)$  as the preimage of  $\mathbb{Z}$  in  $\pi_1(X)$ . Then the refined statement is that we have a commutative diagram:

$$\begin{array}{ccc} Pic(X) & \longrightarrow & \pi_1(X)^{ab} \\ \downarrow & & \downarrow \\ \mathbb{Z} & \longrightarrow & \hat{\mathbb{Z}} \end{array}$$

which induces an isomorphism between  $Pic(X)$  and  $W(X)^{ab}$ .

**1.9. Adèles and idèles.**

1.9.1. *Adèles.* In this course we will meet at several points the ring  $\mathbb{A}_K$  of adèles of a global field  $K$ . By definition,  $\mathbb{A}_K$  is the subring of  $\prod_{v \in {}_K X} K_v$  of elements  $(x_v)_v$  such that  $x_v \in \mathcal{O}_{K_v}$  for almost all  $v$  (all except finitely many ones). We equip  $\mathbb{A}_K$  with a ring topology by declaring that a basis of opens of 0 are given by opens  $\prod_{v \in {}_K X} U_v$  where for all  $v$ ,  $U_v$  is an open neighborhood of 0 in  $K_v$ , and for almost all  $v$ ,  $U_v = \mathcal{O}_{K_v}$ . The diagonal embedding  $K \rightarrow \prod_v K_v$  factorizes through  $\mathbb{A}_K$ .

1.9.2. *Idèles.* The group of idèles is  $\mathbb{A}_K^\times$  and it carries the subset topology given by the inclusion  $\mathbb{A}_K^\times \rightarrow \mathbb{A}_K \times \mathbb{A}_K, x \mapsto (x, x^{-1})$ .

Class field theory is best formulated using idèles (see [Tat67], section 5). Let us simply remark the following :

**Proposition 1.12.** *In the number field case, there is a natural isomorphism :*

$$K^\times \backslash \mathbb{A}_K^\times / \left( \prod_{v \in X_{fin}} \mathcal{O}_v^\times \prod_{v \in X_\infty} K_v^{\times, \circ} \right) \rightarrow Cl^+(\mathcal{O}_K).$$

*In the function field case there is a natural isomorphism :*

$$K^\times \backslash \mathbb{A}_K^\times / \prod_{v \in X} \mathcal{O}_v^\times \rightarrow Pic(X).$$

In the above formula  $K_v^{\times, \circ}$  is the component of the identity in  $K_v^\times$ .

## 2. LECTURE II : CURVES

2.1. **Algebraic curves.** Let  $k$  be a field.

**Definition 2.1.** *A function field of dimension one over  $k$  is a field  $K$  of finite type, transcendence degree 1 and such that  $k$  is algebraically closed in  $K$ .*

We attach a set  $X$  (or  ${}_K X$ ) to  $K$ : the set of all non-trivial valuations on  $K$  which are trivial on  $k$  (up to equivalence). We put a topology on  $X$  as follows : the opens are  $\emptyset$  and the complements of a finite set of points.

*Remark 2.1.* We will also add to  $X$  a generic point  $\eta$ , which belongs to all non-empty open subsets.

We now equip  $X$  with a sheaf of rings  $\mathcal{O}_X$ . If  $U$  is some open, we let  $\mathcal{O}_X(U) = \{f \in K, v(f) \geq 0 \forall v \in U\}$ , so that  $(X, \mathcal{O}_X)$  becomes a ringed space.

**Definition 2.2.** *A curve  $C$  over  $\text{Spec } k$  is a scheme of pure dimension 1 over  $\text{Spec } k$ .*

It is reasonable to add a few more assumptions.

**Definition 2.3.** *A Dedekind scheme is a quasi-compact, separated scheme which is covered by affines  $\text{Spec } A$  where  $A$  is a Dedekind ring.*

**Definition 2.4.** *A non-singular curve over  $\text{Spec } k$  is an irreducible, quasi-compact, separated Dedekind scheme over  $\text{Spec } k$ .*

Let  $K$  be the fonction field of an irreducible curve. We say that  $C$  is geometrically connected if  $k$  is algebraically closed in  $K$ .

**Definition 2.5.** *A scheme  $X$  over  $\text{Spec } k$  is projective if it can be embedded as a closed subscheme of a projective scheme  $\mathbb{P}_k^N$ .*

**Theorem 2.1.** *Let  $K$  be a function field over  $k$ . The locally ringed space  $(X, \mathcal{O}_X)$  is a geometrically connected, non-singular, projective curve over  $\text{Spec } k$ .*

A complete proof can be found in [Har77], I, 6. Let us give some elements of proof.

**Proposition 2.1.** *Let  $x \in K \setminus k$ . We consider  $U = \{v \in X, v(x) \geq 0\}$ . Then  $U$  is open in  $X$  and  $\mathcal{O}_X(U)$  is the normalisation of  $k[x]$  in  $K$ . Moreover,  $(U, \mathcal{O}_X|_U) = (\text{Spec} B, \mathcal{O}_{\text{Spec} B})$  for  $B = \mathcal{O}_X(U)$ .*

From this proposition, we deduce that  $X$  is a non-singular curve. Indeed, let  $V = \{v \in X, v(x^{-1}) \geq 0\}$ . Then  $X = U \cup V$  is an affine cover of  $X$ . Moreover,  $U \cap V = \text{Spec}(\text{Normalization of } k[x, x^{-1}] \text{ in } K)$  is also affine.

The projectivity is a little bit delicate. Nevertheless one can easily prove the following:

**Proposition 2.2.**  $H^0(X, \mathcal{O}_X) = k$ .

*Proof.* Let  $x \in K \setminus k$ . We need to find  $v \in X$  such that  $v(x) < 0$ . Let  $V = \{v \in X, v(x^{-1}) \geq 0\}$ . Then  $\mathcal{O}_X(V) = B$  and  $k[x^{-1}] \rightarrow B$  is finite flat. We can find a prime ideal above  $(x^{-1})$  in  $B$  and it corresponds to a valuation  $v$  for which  $v(x^{-1}) > 0$ .  $\square$

**2.2. An equivalence of category.** We now prove that the last construction exhausts all projective non-singular curves.

**Lemma 2.1.** *Let  $C$  be a projective non-singular curve over  $\text{Spec } k$ . Then there is an isomorphism  $C \rightarrow {}_K X$  where  $K$  is the function field of  $C$ .*

*Proof.* We first define a morphism. To any closed point  $x$  of  $C$ , we have a local ring  $\mathcal{O}_{C,x} \hookrightarrow K$  which is a discrete valuation ring because the curve is non-singular. Therefore we have a map  $C \rightarrow {}_K X$ . This map is injective (the curve  $C$  is separated). The map extends to a locally ringed space map  $(C, \mathcal{O}_C) \rightarrow ({}_K X, \mathcal{O}_{{}_K X})$ , since for any open  $U$  of  $C$ ,  $\mathcal{O}_C(U) = \bigcap_{x \in U} \mathcal{O}_{C,x}$ . The map  $C \rightarrow {}_K X$  is therefore a map of algebraic curve. Its image is closed since  $C$  is projective, it is all of  ${}_K X$ .  $\square$

Let  $X$  and  $Y$  be two schemes. A morphism  $f : X \rightarrow Y$  is finite flat if for any affine  $\text{Spec } A \subset Y$ ,  $f^{-1}(\text{Spec } A) = \text{Spec } B$  is affine and  $A \rightarrow B$  is a finite flat map.

**Lemma 2.2.** *Let  $f : X \rightarrow Y$  be a non-constant morphism between projective non-singular algebraic curves. Then  $f$  maps the generic point  $\eta_X$  of  $X$  to the generic point  $\eta_Y$  of  $Y$ . The morphism  $f$  is finite flat and is determined by the morphism  $\mathcal{O}_{Y,\eta_Y} \rightarrow \mathcal{O}_{X,\eta_X}$  on generic points.*

*Proof.* The image of  $f$  is a connected closed subset of  $Y$ . It is either  $Y$  or a closed point of  $Y$ . It is therefore  $Y$  and the generic point of  $X$  maps to the generic point of  $Y$ . Therefore we have a map  $K \rightarrow L$  where  $K$  is the function field of  $Y$  and  $L$  is the function field of  $X$ . Let  $x \in K$  be an element which is not algebraic over  $k$ . Then we have finite flat maps  $k[x] \rightarrow A \rightarrow B$  where  $A$  is the normalization of  $k[x]$  in  $K$  and  $B$  the normalization of  $k[x]$  in  $L$ . And  $\text{Spec}(B) = D(f^*(x)) \rightarrow D(x)$  is finite flat.  $\square$

**Theorem 2.2.** *The functor "generic point" induces an equivalence of categories between:*

*{Non-singular, geometrically connected projective curves on  $\text{Spec } k$ , non constant morphisms}*

*and*

*{Function fields of one variable over  $k$ }.*

*Proof.* This is [Har77], corollary 6.12.  $\square$



### 2.3. Divisors.

**Definition 2.6.** We let  $Div(X)$  be the free abelian group generated by the closed points  $x \in X$ .

We have a partial order on  $Div(X)$ . If  $D = \sum n_x x$  and  $D' = \sum m_x x$ , we say that  $D \geq D'$  is  $n_x \geq m_x$  for all  $x$ . We say that a divisor  $D$  is effective if  $D \geq 0$ .

If  $f \in K^\times$ , we let  $div(f) = \sum_{x \in X} v_x(f)x$ . These divisors are called principal. We let  $deg : Div(X) \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}$  which maps  $\sum n_x x$  to  $\sum n_x [k(x) : k]$ . We let  $Div^0(X)$  be the kernel of  $deg$ .

**Lemma 2.3.** For all  $f \in K^\times$ ,  $deg(div(f)) = 0$ .

*Proof.* [Ser88], prop. 1, p. 8. □

**Definition 2.7.** We let  $Pic(X) = Div(X)/div(K^\times)$  be the Picard group of  $X$ .

By lemma 2.3, the map  $deg$  passes to the quotient and defines a map  $deg : Pic(X) \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}$ . We let  $Pic^r(X) = deg^{-1}(r)$ .

**2.4. Geometric interpretation of divisors.** A sheaf  $\mathcal{F}$  of  $\mathcal{O}_X$ -modules is called a locally free sheaf of rank  $n$  if there is an open covering  $X = \cup U_i$  such that  $\mathcal{F}|_{U_i} \simeq \mathcal{O}_{U_i}^n$ . An invertible sheaf is a locally free sheaf of rank one. Let  $D \in Div(X)$ . We let  $\mathcal{O}_X(D)$  be the invertible sheaf defined by  $\mathcal{O}_X(D)(U) = \{x \in K, v(x) + v(D) \geq 0, \forall v \in U\}$ .

**Lemma 2.4.** There is a bijection between :

$\{\text{Locally free sheaves of rank one } \mathcal{L} + \text{non-zero rational section } f \in \mathcal{L}_\eta \setminus \{0\}\}/\text{isom}$   
and  $Div(X)$ .

**Proof.** To  $D \in Div(X)$  we associate  $\mathcal{O}_X(D)$  equipped with the rational section 1. Conversely let  $(\mathcal{L}, f)$ . Then for all  $x \in X$ , we consider  $\mathcal{L}_x \subset \mathcal{L}_\eta$ . This is an  $\mathcal{O}_{X,x}$ -rank one module inside a  $K$ -vector space of dimension 1. The module  $f \cdot \mathcal{O}_{X,x}$  is another rank 1 submodule inside  $\mathcal{L}_\eta$ . Let  $t_x$  be a uniformizing parameter at  $x$ . Then we have  $f \cdot \mathcal{O}_{X,x} = t_x^{-n_x} \mathcal{L}_x$  for a unique integer  $n_x$ . We let  $D = \sum n_x x$ . The map  $\mathcal{O}_X(D) \xrightarrow{\times f} \mathcal{L}$  is an isomorphism which sends 1 to  $f$ . □

**Corollary 2.1.** There is a bijection between :

$\{\text{Locally free sheaves of rank one } \mathcal{L}\}/\text{isom}$

and  $Pic(X)$ .

**2.5. Cohomology of line bundles.** Attached to a locally free of rank one  $\mathcal{L}$  (in fact any abelian sheaf !), we have the cohomology groups  $H^0(X, \mathcal{L})$  and  $H^1(X, \mathcal{L})$ .

**Theorem 2.3.** (1) The  $k$ -vector spaces  $H^i(X, \mathcal{L})$  are finite dimensional. Let  $g = \dim_k H^1(X, \mathcal{O}_X)$  be the genus of the curve.

(2) We have  $\dim_k H^0(X, \mathcal{L}) - \dim_k H^1(X, \mathcal{L}) = deg(\mathcal{L}) - g + 1$ .

(3) Assume that  $X/k$  is smooth. There is an invertible line bundle  $\Omega_{X/k}^1$  of degree  $2g - 2$ , and a canonical isomorphism  $H^1(X, \Omega_{X/k}^1) \rightarrow k$ .

(4) We have a Serre duality perfect pairing :

$$H^0(X, \mathcal{L}) \times H^1(X, \Omega_{X/k}^1 \otimes \mathcal{L}^{-1}) \rightarrow k.$$

**Proof.** See [Ser88], prop. 2 and thm. 1, p. 10 and corollary p. 17. □

*Remark 2.2.* We notice that if  $deg \mathcal{L} < 0$ , then  $H^0(X, \mathcal{L}) = 0$ . Using the duality theorem, we deduce that if  $deg \mathcal{L} > 2g - 2$ ,  $H^1(X, \mathcal{L}) = 0$  and  $\dim_k H^0(X, \mathcal{L}) = deg \mathcal{L} - g + 1$ .

*Remark 2.3.* A non-singular curve needs not necessarily be smooth in characteristic  $p$ . For example let  $k = \mathbb{F}_p(t)$ , and consider the curve of equation  $Y^2 = X^p - t$ . This curve is regular at  $Y = 0$  but not smooth.

**2.6. Explicit definition of the cohomology.** We let  $\mathbb{A}_K$  be the ring of adèles of  $K$ . For a divisor  $D = \sum n_x x$ , we let  $\hat{\mathcal{O}}(D) = \{(f_x) \in \mathbb{A}_K, v_x(f_x) + n_x \geq 0\}$ .

Then we have an exact sequence :

$$0 \rightarrow H^0(X, \mathcal{O}_X(D)) \rightarrow K \rightarrow \mathbb{A}_K / \hat{\mathcal{O}}(D) \rightarrow H^1(X, \mathcal{O}_X(D)) \rightarrow 0$$

Indeed, we can consider the following resolution of the sheaf  $\mathcal{O}_X(D)$  by skyscraper sheaves (which are acyclic):

$$0 \rightarrow \mathcal{O}_X(D) \rightarrow (\iota_\eta)_* K \rightarrow \bigoplus_{x \in X} (\iota_x)_* K_x / t_x^{-n_x} \mathcal{O}_x \rightarrow 0$$

where  $\mathcal{O}_x = \hat{\mathcal{O}}_{X,x}$  and  $t_x$  is a uniformizing element,  $\iota_\eta : \eta \rightarrow X$  is the inclusion of the generic point and  $\iota_x : x \rightarrow X$  is the inclusion of the closed point  $x$ .

*Remark 2.4.* One can therefore interpret  $H^1(X, \mathcal{O}_X)$  as measuring the obstruction to construct a global rational function whose polar part has been given at a finite set of points.

**2.7. Duality.** We follow here [Tat68]. We first construct the dualizing sheaf  $J_{X/k}$  as follows. At the generic point, this is the sheaf of continuous linear forms :

$$\ell : K \backslash \mathbb{A}_K \rightarrow k$$

On some open  $U$ , we let  $J_{X/k}(U) = \{\ell : K \backslash \mathbb{A}_K / \prod_{x \in U} \mathcal{O}_x \rightarrow k\}$ . We see that by definition,  $H^0(X, J_{X/k}(-D)) = H^1(X, \mathcal{O}_X(D))^\vee$ . We now assume that the curve is smooth over  $k$ . In such a case, there is an isomorphism given by the residue (see [Tat68] and [Ser88]):

$$\begin{aligned} \Omega_{X/k}^1 &\rightarrow J_{X/k} \\ \omega &\mapsto \sum \text{res}_x(f_x \omega) \end{aligned}$$

**2.8. Weil's formula.** We let  $Bun_{GL_n}(X)$  be the set of isomorphism classes of locally free sheaves of rank  $n$ . Note that  $Bun_{GL_1}(X) = Pic(X)$ .

**Theorem 2.4.** *There is an isomorphism :*

$$Bun_{GL_n}(X) = GL_n(K) \backslash GL_n(\mathbb{A}_K) / \prod_x GL_n(\mathcal{O}_x).$$

*Proof.* Let  $\mathcal{F}$  be a locally free sheaf of rank  $n$ . Let  $s_1, \dots, s_n$  be a basis of sections at  $\eta$ . Then for all point  $x \in X$ , there is a unique element  $f_x \in GL_n(K_x) / GL_n(\mathcal{O}_x)$  and an isomorphism  $K^n / f_x \mathcal{O}_x^n = \mathcal{F}_\eta / \mathcal{F}_x$ . Conversely, given a collection  $(f_x) \in GL_n(\mathbb{A}_K)$  we can define the subsheaf of  $(\iota_\eta)_* K^n$  by  $\mathcal{F}(U) = \{s \in K^n, \forall x \in U, s \in f_x \mathcal{O}_x^n\}$ .  $\square$

Here is a similar, but slightly simpler formula for  $\mathbb{P}^1$ .

**Theorem 2.5.**

$$Bun_{GL_n}(\mathbb{P}^1) = GL_n(k[x^{-1}]) \backslash GL_n(k[x, x^{-1}]) / GL_n(k[x])$$

*Proof.* Since  $k[x]$  and  $k[x^{-1}]$  are principal, any locally free sheaf  $\mathcal{F}$  is trivial on  $\text{Spec } k[x]$  or  $\text{Spec } k[x^{-1}]$ . Elements in  $GL_n(k[x, x^{-1}])$  give the gluing data. Namely, we can take a basis  $e_1, \dots, e_n$  of  $\mathcal{F}(\text{Spec } k[x])$  and a basis  $f_1, \dots, f_n$  of  $\mathcal{F}(\text{Spec } k[x^{-1}])$ . Restricting to  $\text{Spec } k[x, x^{-1}]$ , we find a matrix in  $GL_n(k[x, x^{-1}])$  which passes from the basis  $(e_i)$  to the basis  $(f_i)$ .  $\square$

We deduce from this theorem very easily that  $\text{Pic}(\mathbb{P}^1) \stackrel{\text{deg}}{\cong} \mathbb{Z}$ . We let  $\mathcal{O}(n)$  be a sheaf of degree  $n$ . We have the following theorem of Grothendieck :

**Theorem 2.6.** *Any vector bundle on  $\mathbb{P}^1$  is a direct sum of line bundles  $\mathcal{O}(n)$ .*

*Proof.* By theorem 2.5, we are reduced to certain matrix computations. See [HM82].  $\square$

### 2.9. Finiteness of the $\text{Pic}^0(X)$ over finite fields.

**Theorem 2.7.** *If  $k$  is a finite field  $\text{Pic}^0(X)$  is finite.*

**Proof.** It suffices to prove the finiteness of  $\text{Pic}^n(X)$  for large  $n$ . If  $n$  is very large, any  $D$  is equivalent to an effective divisor because  $\dim H^0(X, \mathcal{O}_X(D)) > 0$ . But there are clearly finitely many effective divisors of degree less than  $n$ .  $\square$

## 3. LECTURE III : JACOBIANS

**3.1. The Yoneda functor.** Let  $\mathcal{C}$  be a category. Let  $\mathcal{F}(\mathcal{C}^{op}, SET)$  be the category of contravariant functors from  $\mathcal{C}^{op}$  to  $SET$ .

**Lemma 3.1.** *We have a fully faithful functor :*

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{C} &\rightarrow \mathcal{F}(\mathcal{C}^{op}, SET) \\ X &\mapsto \text{Hom}(-, X) \end{aligned}$$

A functor  $F \in \mathcal{F}(\mathcal{C}^{op}, SET)$  is said to be representable if it is in the essential image of  $\mathcal{C}$ .

**3.2. The functor of points of a scheme.** If  $X$  is a scheme, then we let  $X(-) = \text{Hom}(-, X)$  be the corresponding functor of points. Actually this functor of points is a sheaf for the fppf topology.

**Definition 3.1.** *Let  $T$  be a scheme. An fppf covering of  $T$  is a family of morphisms  $\{f_i : T_i \rightarrow T\}_{i \in I}$  of schemes such that each  $f_i$  is flat, locally of finite presentation and such that  $T = \cup f_i(T_i)$ .*

*Remark 3.1.* A Zariski or an étale covering is an fppf covering.

**3.3. The relative cohomology over the curve.** Let  $X$  be a curve over  $k$  as before. For any  $k$ -scheme  $S$ , we can define a relative curves  $X_S = X \times_{\text{Spec } k} S$  and we denote by  $p_S : X_S \rightarrow S$  the projection.

Let  $\mathcal{F}$  be a coherent sheaf over  $X_S$ . We let  $R^q(p_S)_*(\mathcal{F})$  be the sheaf associated to the presheaf  $U \mapsto H^q(X_U, \mathcal{F})$ .

**Theorem 3.1.** *The sheaf  $R^q(p_S)_*(\mathcal{F})$  is a coherent sheaves.*

Assume that  $S = \text{Spec } A$  is affine and  $\mathcal{F}$  is a locally free sheaf of finite rank.

**Theorem 3.2.** *There exists a perfect complex  $M_\bullet : 0 \rightarrow M_0 \rightarrow M_1 \rightarrow 0$  with the property that for any affine scheme  $S' = \text{Spec } A' \rightarrow S$ ,  $H^i(X_{S'}, \mathcal{F}) = H^i(M_\bullet \otimes_A A')$*

- Corollary 3.1.**
- (1) *For all  $s \in S$ , the function  $s \mapsto \chi(s) = \dim_{k(s)} H^1(X_s, \mathcal{F}) - \dim_{k(s)} H^0(X_s, \mathcal{F})$  is locally constant.*
  - (2) *For all  $s \in S$ , the function  $s \mapsto \dim_{k(s)} H^i(X_s, \mathcal{F})$  increases under specialization.*
  - (3) *Assume that for all  $s \in S$ ,  $\dim_{k(s)} H^i(X_s, \mathcal{F})$  is constant. Then  $R^i(p_S)_*(\mathcal{F})$  is a locally free sheaf.*

**Corollary 3.2.** *Let  $\mathcal{L}$  be an invertible sheaf on  $X_S$ . For all  $s \in S$ , the function  $s \mapsto \text{deg}(\mathcal{L}_s)$  is locally constant. We call it  $\text{deg}(\mathcal{L})$ . If  $\text{deg}(\mathcal{L}) \geq 2g - 1$ , then  $(p_S)_*\mathcal{L}$  is a locally free sheaf of rank  $\text{deg}(\mathcal{L}) - g + 1$  over  $S$ .*

**3.4. The relative Picard functor.** In this section we define the Picard functor. A good reference is [Kle05].

Let  $S$  be a scheme. We let  $Pic(S)$  be the group of isomorphism classes of line bundles over  $S$ .

Let  $X$  be a curve over  $k$  as before. For any  $k$ -scheme  $S$ , we can define a relative curves  $X_S = X \times_{\text{Spec } k} S$ .

The functor  $S \mapsto Pic(X_S)$  cannot be representable because this is not a sheaf. Indeed, let  $\mathcal{L} \in Pic(S)$  be a non-trivial sheaf. Let  $p : X_S \rightarrow S$  be the structural map. Then we see that  $p^*\mathcal{L}$  and  $\mathcal{O}_{X_S}$  are not isomorphic. On the other hand, they are locally isomorphic.

We can therefore consider the functor  $S \mapsto Pic(X_S)/Pic(S)$ . There is still an issue. This functor is not a sheaf in general, and cannot be representable.

*Example 6.* Let  $X = V(X^2 + Y^2 + Z^2) \subset \mathbb{P}_{\mathbb{R}}^2$  be the twisted form of  $\mathbb{P}_{\mathbb{R}}^1$ . This is a complete curve over  $\mathbb{R}$ , of genus 0, with no real point. In particular, the degree of any line bundle in  $X$  is even. We have  $X_{\mathbb{C}} = \mathbb{P}_{\mathbb{C}}^1$  with a descent automorphism  $\sigma : z \mapsto \frac{1}{\bar{z}}$ . We consider  $\mathcal{O}(1) \in P_X(\mathbb{C})$ . Clearly  $\sigma^*\mathcal{O}(1) \simeq \mathcal{O}(1)$ . On the other hand there is no degree 1 line bundle on  $X$ , so  $\mathcal{O}(1)$  does not descend.

We let  $P_X(-)$  be the sheafification (in the *fppf* or étale topology) of  $S \mapsto Pic(X_S)/Pic(S)$ . This is the relative Picard functor of the curve. Since  $P_X(-)$  is a sheafification of a presheaf, it may be hard to describe its value on a given scheme  $S$ . We nevertheless have :

**Proposition 3.1.** *Suppose that  $X$  has a  $k$ -rational point  $P$ . Then*

$$P_X(-) = \{\mathcal{L} \in Pic(X_S), \mathcal{L}|_{P \times S} = \mathcal{O}_S\}.$$

**Proposition 3.2.** *We have an exact sequence :*

$$0 \rightarrow Pic(X_k) \rightarrow P_X(k) \rightarrow \text{Br}(k)$$

*In particular, if  $k$  is a finite field,  $Pic(X_k) = P_X(k)$ .*

For any  $r \in \mathbb{Z}$ , we can also define  $Pic^r(X_S), P_X^r(-), \dots$

**3.5. Representability of the relative Picard functor.** We have the classical theorem:

**Theorem 3.3.** *The relative Picard functor is representable and  $P_X^0$  is an abelian scheme, called the Jacobian of the curve.*

We sketch the proof. A good reference is [Mil86].

3.5.1. *Relative Cartier divisors.*

**Definition 3.2.** *An effective relative Cartier divisor  $D$  over  $X_S$  is a closed subscheme  $D \hookrightarrow X_S$  such that  $p_S : D \rightarrow S$  is finite flat.*

Attached to  $D$ , we have the invertible sheaf  $\mathcal{O}_{X_S}(-D) = \mathcal{I}_D$ , to which we can attach the pair  $(\mathcal{O}_{X_S}(D), 1 : \mathcal{O}_{X_S} \rightarrow \mathcal{O}_{X_S}(D))$ . The set of effective Cartier divisors over  $S$ ,  $Div_{\geq 0}(S)$ , is the set of isomorphism classes of pairs  $(\mathcal{L} \in Pic(X_S), f : \mathcal{O}_{X_S} \rightarrow \mathcal{L})$  such that  $\mathcal{L}/\mathcal{O}_{X_S}$  is finite flat over  $S$ . This last condition is also equivalent to asking that  $f$  is nowhere identically zero over  $S$ .

Let  $r \geq 0$ . We let  $Div_{\geq 0}^r(-)$  be the functor which maps  $S$  to the set of isomorphism classes of effective relative Cartier divisors of degree  $r$  over  $X_S$ .

3.5.2. *Quotienting schemes by finite groups.* Let  $A$  be a ring and let  $G$  be a finite group acting on  $A$ . Let  $B = A^G$ . Let  $p : \text{Spec } A = X \rightarrow \text{Spec } B = Y$  be the corresponding morphism.

- Proposition 3.3** ([Gro03], exp V, prop. 1.1). (1) *The ring  $A$  is integral over  $B$ .*  
 (2) *The morphism  $p$  is surjective and closed and the map  $X \rightarrow Y$  induces an homeomorphism  $Y \simeq X/G$  (where  $X/G$  carries the quotient topology).*  
 (3) *For any scheme  $Z$ , we have that  $\text{Hom}(Y, Z) = \text{Hom}(X, Z)^G$ .*

We now let  $X$  be a scheme and we assume that  $G$  acts on  $X$  and that  $X$  admits an affine covering stable by  $G$ .

**Proposition 3.4** ([Gro03], exp V, prop. 1.8). *There is a scheme  $Y$  and a surjective morphism  $p : X \rightarrow Y$  such that :*

- (1) *The morphism  $p$  is surjective and closed and the map  $X \rightarrow Y$  induces an homeomorphism  $Y \simeq X/G$  (where  $X/G$  carries the quotient topology).*  
 (2) *For any scheme  $Z$ , we have that  $\text{Hom}(Y, Z) = \text{Hom}(X, Z)^G$ .*  
 (3) *We have  $\mathcal{O}_Y = p_*\mathcal{O}_X^G$ .*

The scheme  $Y$  of the proposition (which is unique up to a unique isomorphism) is called a categorical quotient of  $X$  by  $G$ .

3.5.3. *Representing  $\text{Div}_{\geq 0}^r(-)$ .* We will prove that  $\text{Div}_{\geq 0}^r(-)$  is representable. Let  $X^r = X \times \cdots \times X$  be the  $r$ -th fold product of the curve. The symmetric group  $\mathcal{S}_r$  acts on  $X^r$  by permutation of the factors.

**Lemma 3.2.** *The categorical quotient  $X^r/\mathcal{S}_r = X^{(r)}$  exists and is smooth.*

**Proof.** See [Mil86], prop. 3.2. □

We have a map  $X^r \rightarrow \text{Div}_{\geq 0}^r$  which sends  $(P_1, \dots, P_r)$  to  $(\mathcal{O}_{X_S}(\sum P_i), \mathcal{O}_{X_S} \rightarrow \mathcal{O}_{X_S}(\sum P_i))$ . This map pass to the quotient to a map  $X^{(r)} \rightarrow \text{Div}_{\geq 0}^r$ .

**Proposition 3.5.**  *$X^{(r)} \rightarrow \text{Div}_{\geq 0}^r$  is an isomorphism.*

**Proof.** We need to show injectivity and surjectivity. For surjectivity, it suffices to prove the surjectivity of  $X^r \rightarrow \text{Div}_{\geq 0}^r$ . We will show that if  $(\mathcal{L} \in \text{Pic}(X_S), f : \mathcal{O}_{X_S} \rightarrow \mathcal{L})$  is a degree  $r$  cartier divisor, there is a finite flat map  $T \rightarrow S$  and sections  $P_1, \dots, P_r \in X(T)$  such that  $(\mathcal{L}, f) \simeq (\mathcal{O}_{X_T}(\sum P_i), 1)$ . We prove this by induction on  $r$ . The case  $r = 1$  is trivial. Let us assume  $r \geq 2$ . Let  $T = V(\mathcal{L}^{-1}) \subset X_S$ . The map  $T \rightarrow S$  is finite flat. Over  $X_T$  we have the degree 1 divisor  $P : T \xrightarrow{\Delta} T \times_S T \hookrightarrow X_T$ . We see that  $f_T : \mathcal{O}_{X_T} \rightarrow \mathcal{L}_T(-P) \rightarrow \mathcal{L}_T$  and  $\mathcal{L}_T(-P)$  is now of degree  $r - 1$ . We conclude by induction.

We need to show injectivity. We do this when  $r = 2$ , the general case is left to the reader. Let  $P_1, P_2$  and  $Q_1, Q_2$  by  $\text{Spec } R$ -points of  $X$ . We assume that  $\mathcal{O}_{X_S}(-P_1 - P_2) = \mathcal{O}_{X_S}(-Q_1 - Q_2)$ .

After localizing in  $\text{Spec } R$ , we can find an affine open  $\text{Spec } A$  of  $X_S$  with the property that  $P_1, P_2, Q_1, Q_2$  factor through  $\text{Spec } A$ . Therefore, we have morphisms  $Q_i : A \rightarrow R$  with kernel  $I_i$  and  $P_i : A \rightarrow R$  with kernel  $J_i$  and by assumption  $I_1 I_2 = J_1 J_2$ . We want to deduce that the maps  $P_1 \otimes P_2 : A \otimes A \rightarrow R$  and  $Q_1 \otimes Q_2 : A \otimes A \rightarrow R$  have the same restriction to  $(A \otimes A)^{\Sigma_2}$ . We claim that for any  $a \in A$ ,  $Q_1(a)Q_2(a) = P_1(a)P_2(a)$  and  $Q_1(a) + Q_2(a) = P_1(a) + P_2(a)$  because they can be interpreted as the coefficients of the characteristic polyomial of  $a$  acting on  $A/I_1 I_2 = A/J_1 J_2$ . We deduce that  $P_1 \otimes P_2(a \otimes 1 + 1 \otimes a) = Q_1 \otimes Q_2(a \otimes 1 + 1 \otimes a)$  and  $P_1 \otimes P_2(a \otimes a) = Q_1 \otimes Q_2(a \otimes a)$ . The elements  $a \otimes 1 + 1 \otimes a$  and  $a \otimes a$  generate  $(A \otimes A)^{\Sigma_2}$  as an algebra. □

3.5.4. *The Abel-Jacobi map.* We call the map  $AJ_r : X^{(r)} \rightarrow P_X^r$  the Abel-Jacobi map. We will use this map to prove the representability of  $P_X^r$ .

Let us assume that  $r \geq 2g - 1$ . Let  $S \rightarrow \text{Spec } k$  and let  $\mathcal{L} \in \text{Pic}^r(X_S)$  (corresponding to a point  $x : S \rightarrow P_X^r$ ). Then the fiber product  $X^{(r)} \times_{AJ_r, P_X^r, x} S$  is the set of nowhere vanishing sections  $f \in R^0(p_S)_* \mathcal{L}$ , up to isomorphism.

But since  $r \geq 2g - 1$ ,  $R^0(p_S)_* \mathcal{L}$  is a locally free sheaf of rank  $r - g + 1$ , and

$$X^{(r)} \times_{AJ_r, P_X^r, x} S = (R^0(p_S)_* \mathcal{L} \setminus \{0\}) / \mathcal{O}_S^\times$$

is therefore a fibration in projective spaces of dimension  $r - g$ .

If we had a section  $s : P_X^r \rightarrow X^{(r)}$ , then we would deduce that  $P_X^r$  is representable. Indeed, if we let  $q : X^{(r)} \rightarrow P_X^r \xrightarrow{q} X^{(r)}$  then the morphism  $p$  induces an isomorphism between  $X^{(r)} \times_{q, X^{(r)}, \text{id}} X^{(r)}$  and  $P_X^r$ .

We will prove that there are local sections. At this stage, we assume that the field  $k$  is separably closed. By Galois descent, we can reduce to this case.

For any  $r - g$ -uple of points  $t = (t_1, \dots, t_{r-g}) \in X(k)^{r-g}$ , we let

$$X_t^{(r)} = \{(P_1, \dots, P_r), \dim H^0(\mathcal{O}_X(\sum_{i=1}^r P_i - \sum_{i=1}^{r-g} t_j)) = 1\}.$$

This is an open of  $X_t^{(r)}$  and moreover,  $X^{(r)} = \cup_t X_t^{(r)}$ .

We similarly defined  $(P_X^r)_t$  has the subfunctor parametrizing  $\mathcal{L}$  with the property that  $\dim H^0(\mathcal{L}(-\sum_{i=1}^{r-g} t_j)) = 1$ . The map  $X_t^{(r)} \rightarrow (P_X^r)_t$  is an isomorphism and therefore  $(P_X^r)_t$  is representable. And we have a covering  $P_X^r = \cup (P_X^r)_t$ .

We finally deduce that  $P_X^r$  is smooth and geometrically connected because  $X^{(r)}$  is.

Finally for any line bundle  $\mathcal{L}$  of degree  $s$  over  $X$ , the map  $-\otimes \mathcal{L} : P_X^r \rightarrow P_X^{r+s}$  is an isomorphism. We deduce the representability of  $P_X^r$  for all  $r$ .

#### 4. LECTURE IV : FUNDAMENTAL GROUPS AND GEOMETRIC CLASS FIELD THEORY

4.1. **The classical fundamental group.** Let  $S$  be a connected, locally arcwise connected, locally simply connected topological space. Let  $s \in S$  be a point. We can define  $\pi_1(S, s)$ , the group of homotopy classes of loops  $\gamma : S^1 \rightarrow S$  with  $\gamma(0) = s$ . Let  $\text{Cov}$  be the category of coverings of  $S$ . Recall that  $S' \rightarrow S$  is a covering if any point  $x \in S$  has a neighborhood  $U_x$  such that  $p^{-1}(U_x) \simeq U_x \times I$  for a discrete set  $I$ . We define a functor  $F : \text{Cov} \rightarrow \text{SET}$  by sending  $p : S' \rightarrow S$  to  $p^{-1}(s)$ . Let  $\pi_1(S, s) - \text{SET}$  be the category of sets equipped with an action of  $\pi_1(S, s)$ . We have the following classical theorem :

**Theorem 4.1.** *The functor  $F$  can be enriched to an equivalence of categories  $\text{Cov} \rightarrow \pi_1(S, s) - \text{SET}$ .*

Moreover,  $F$  is representable functor : let  $\tilde{p} : \tilde{S} \rightarrow S$  be the universal cover of  $S$ , and  $\xi \in F(\tilde{S}) = \tilde{p}^{-1}(s)$ . Then  $F(-) = \tilde{S}(-)$ .

*Remark 4.1.* One can recover  $\pi_1(S, s)$  abstractly from the functor  $F$ , as the group of automorphisms of  $F$ .

4.2. **The fundamental group of a field  $k$ .** Let  $k$  be a field. A connected covering of  $k$  is by definition of finite separable field extension of  $k$ . A covering of  $k$  will be by definition a finite product of finite separable extension of  $k$  (we say also a finite étale extension of  $k$ ). Let  $\text{Cov}$  be the category of coverings of  $k$ . Let  $\bar{k}$  be an algebraic closure of  $k$  and  $k^{\text{sep}} \subset k^{\text{alg}}$  be the separable closure. We define a functor  $F : \text{Cov} \rightarrow \text{FSET}$  by mapping  $\ell/k$  to  $\text{Hom}(\ell, \bar{k})$  where FSET is the category of finite sets. Let  $\text{Gal}(k^{\text{sep}}/k) = G_k$  and  $G_k - \text{FSET}$  the category of finite sets equipped with a continuous left action of  $G_k$ .

**Theorem 4.2.** *The functor  $F$  can be upgraded to an equivalence of category  $Cov \rightarrow G_k - \text{FSET}$ .*

**Proof.** This is a reformulation of Galois theory. We exhibit and inverse functor. If  $I$  is a  $G_k$ -set. We consider the algebra of functions  $f : I \rightarrow k^{sep}$  which are  $G_k$ -equivariant.  $\square$

The functor  $F$  is pro-representable. We can write  $k^{sep} = \cup_i k_i$  has a filtered union of finite extensions, and  $F(-) = \text{colim}_i \text{Hom}(-, k_i)$ .

**4.3. The étale fundamental group of a scheme.** The original reference is [Gro03]. Another good reference is [Mur67].

**4.3.1. Etale covers.** We let  $X$  be a locally noetherian scheme.

**Definition 4.1.** *A morphism  $p : Y \rightarrow X$  of schemes is finite étale if*

- (1) *For all affine open  $\text{Spec} A \hookrightarrow X$ , the fiber  $\text{Spec} A \times_X Y = \text{Spec} B$  is affine and  $B$  is a finite projective  $A$ -module,*
- (2) *For all point  $x \in X$ ,  $Y_x$  is the spectrum of a finite étale extension of  $k(x)$ .*

A finite étale cover  $p : Y \rightarrow X$  is a finite étale map which is surjective. In general, the image of  $p$  is an open and closed subscheme of  $X$ . In particular, if  $X$  is connected, an finite étale morphism is a cover. We assume that  $X$  is connected.

We let  $Cov$  be the category whose objects are finite étale schemes  $Y \rightarrow X$  and morphisms are  $X$ -morphisms of schemes.

**4.3.2. The main theorem.** We let  $x \in X$  be a point and we pick  $\bar{x} \rightarrow x$  a geometric point above  $x$ . We can define a functor  $F : Cov \rightarrow \text{FSET}$  by mapping  $Y$  to the set  $Y \times_X \bar{x}$ .

**Theorem 4.3** ([Mur67], thm. 4.4.1). (1) *There exists a unique profinite group  $\pi_1(X, \bar{x})$  such the functor  $F$  can be enriched to an equivalence of categories :*

$$Cov \rightarrow \pi_1(X, \bar{x}) - \text{FSET}.$$

- (2) *Let  $\bar{x}' \rightarrow X$  be another point geometric point of  $X$ . There exists a topological isomorphism:  $\pi_1(X, \bar{x}) \rightarrow \pi_1(X, \bar{x}')$ , which is unique up to an inner automorphism.*

If  $Y \rightarrow X$  is a morphism of schemes, the pull-back of étale covers from  $X$  to  $Y$  induces a morphism  $\pi_1(Y, \bar{y}) \rightarrow \pi_1(X, \bar{x})$ .

*Remark 4.2.* We can revisit Frobenius substitution. If  $X \rightarrow \text{Spec } \mathbb{Z}$  is a finite type scheme. Then any closed point  $s \in X$  has residue field a finite field. Let  $\bar{x}$  be a geometric point of  $X$ . For any  $s \in X$  and any geometric point  $\bar{s} \rightarrow s$ , we get a morphism (well defined up to conjugacy)  $\pi_1(s, \bar{s}) \rightarrow \pi_1(X, \bar{x})$ . If  $s$  is a closed point,  $\pi_1(s, \bar{s})$  is topologically generated by the Frobenius.

**4.4.  $\mathbb{P}^1$  is geometrically simply connected.** In this section we prove :

**Theorem 4.4.** *Let  $k$  be an algebraically closed field. Then  $\pi_1(\mathbb{P}_k^1, \bar{x}) = 1$ .*

**Proof.** Let  $f : X \rightarrow \mathbb{P}_k^1$  be a finite étale cover. Let  $f_* \mathcal{O}_X$ . This is a vector bundle over  $\mathbb{P}_k^1$ . Therefore,  $f_* \mathcal{O}_X = \bigoplus_{i=1}^r \mathcal{O}(n_i)$  for integers  $n_i$ . We will prove that this is the trivial bundle (all  $n_i$  are 0). This will prove that  $f_* \mathcal{O}_X = H^0(X, \mathcal{O}_X) \otimes_k \mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}_k^1}$ . Since  $k$  is algebraically closed,  $H^0(X, \mathcal{O}_X) = k^r$  (as algebra) and  $X$  is the disjoint union of  $r$  copies of  $\mathbb{P}_k^1$ . There is a bilinear trace map :  $f_* \mathcal{O}_X \times f_* \mathcal{O}_X \rightarrow \mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}_k^1}$  and this is a perfect pairing. Therefore we deduce that it is enough to prove that for all  $i$ ,  $n_i \geq 0$ . Let  $i$  be the index for which  $n_i$  is minimal and assume that  $n_i < 0$ . The product map  $m : f_* \mathcal{O}_X \otimes f_* \mathcal{O}_X \rightarrow f_* \mathcal{O}_X$  restricts to a map  $\mathcal{O}(n_i) \otimes \mathcal{O}(n_i) \rightarrow f_* \mathcal{O}_X$ . But there are no non-zero maps  $\mathcal{O}(2n_i) \rightarrow f_* \mathcal{O}_X$ . Therefore  $m(\mathcal{O}(n_i) \otimes \mathcal{O}(n_i)) = 0$ . But  $X$  is a smooth curve and therefore it is reduced.  $\square$

**4.5. Descent of étale covers.** We consider the following situation :  $X$  is a scheme and  $\Gamma$  is a finite group acting on  $X$ . We assume that  $X$  has an affine covering stable under  $\Gamma$ . We can define the categorical quotient  $X/\Gamma$  (see [Gro03], exposé V, sect. 1). For a point  $x \in X$ , we let  $\Gamma_x$  be the inertia group at  $x$ . This is the subgroup of  $\Gamma$  of elements which stabilize  $x$  and act trivially on the residual field at  $x$ ,  $k(x)$ .

Let  $Y \rightarrow X$  be an étale cover. We assume that  $Y$  carries an action of  $\Gamma$  compatible with the action on  $X$ .

We can therefore consider the quotient  $Y/\Gamma$  and we have a diagram :

$$\begin{array}{ccc} Y & \longrightarrow & Y/\Gamma \\ \downarrow & & \downarrow \\ X & \longrightarrow & X/\Gamma \end{array}$$

The following two propositions are [Gro03], exposé IX, rem. 5.8.

**Proposition 4.1.** *The map  $Y/\Gamma \rightarrow X/\Gamma$  is finite étale if and only if, for all  $x \in X$ , if we let  $\Gamma_x$  the inertia subgroup at  $x$ , then  $\Gamma_x$  acts trivially on  $Y_x$ .*

**Proposition 4.2.** *We have an equivalence between the category of finite étale cover of  $X/\Gamma$  and the finite étale cover of  $X$  which carry an action of  $\Gamma$  compatible with the action on  $X$  and such that for all  $x \in X$ ,  $\Gamma_x$  act trivially on the fiber.*

#### 4.6. $\mathbb{P}^r$ is geometrically simply connected.

**Theorem 4.5.** *Let  $k$  be an algebraically closed field. Then  $\pi_1(\mathbb{P}_k^r, \bar{x}) = 1$ .*

**Proof.** We first need to prove that  $\pi_1((\mathbb{P}_k^1)^r, \bar{x}) = 1$ . We prove this by induction on  $r$ . The case  $r = 1$  is theorem 4.4. We assume  $r \geq 2$  and consider the map  $p : (\mathbb{P}_k^1)^r \rightarrow (\mathbb{P}_k^1)^{r-1}$  given by the projection on the first  $r - 1$  coordinates. We now let  $f : X \rightarrow (\mathbb{P}_k^1)^r$  be a finite étale cover of degree  $d$ . We claim that  $p_* f_* \mathcal{O}_X$  is a locally free sheaf of algebras over  $(\mathbb{P}_k^1)^{r-1}$ . This follows from corollary 3.1. Indeed, for each point  $t \in (\mathbb{P}_k^1)^{r-1}$ ,  $p^{-1}(t) = \mathbb{P}_{k(t)}^1$  and  $X_t \rightarrow \mathbb{P}_{k(t)}^1$  is isomorphic to  $\mathbb{P}_{k(t)}^1 \times_{\text{Spec } k(t)} \text{Spec } k(t)'$  for a finite étale extension of  $k(t)'$  of degree  $d$ . We find that  $\dim_{k(t)}(\mathbb{P}_{k(t)}^1, (f_t)_* \mathcal{O}_{X_t}) = d$  is constant. Let  $X'$  be the spectrum of this sheaf of algebras. We see that  $X' \rightarrow (\mathbb{P}_k^1)^{r-1}$  is finite flat and moreover,  $X' \times_{(\mathbb{P}_k^1)^{r-1}} (\mathbb{P}_k^1)^r \simeq X$ . In other words,  $X'$  descends  $X$ . We see that  $X' \rightarrow (\mathbb{P}_k^1)^{r-1}$  is smooth, because  $X \rightarrow (\mathbb{P}_k^1)^r$  is. Therefore we deduce that  $X'$  is a finite étale cover. We also deduce that the map  $p : \pi_1((\mathbb{P}_k^1)^r, \bar{x}) \rightarrow \pi_1((\mathbb{P}_k^1)^{r-1}, p(\bar{x}))$  is an isomorphism. By induction we deduce that  $\pi_1((\mathbb{P}_k^1)^r, \bar{x}) = 1$ . Then we use proposition 4.2. Indeed,  $\mathbb{P}_k^r = (\mathbb{P}_k^1)^r / \mathcal{S}_r$ . Let  $X \rightarrow \mathbb{P}_k^r$  be an étale cover. Its pullback to  $(\mathbb{P}_k^1)^r$  is  $\tilde{X}$  and it is isomorphic to  $(\mathbb{P}_k^1)^r \times I$  where  $I$  is a finite set over which  $\Gamma$  acts. Take a point in the diagonal  $x$ . Then the inertia group is  $(\mathcal{S}_r)_x = \mathcal{S}_r$  and we deduce that  $\mathcal{S}_r$  acts trivially on  $I$ . Therefore  $X = \mathbb{P}_k^r \times I$ .  $\square$

#### 4.7. Descending étale covers under projective fibration.

**Theorem 4.6.** *Let  $f : X \rightarrow Y$  be a projective fibration. Then the map  $\pi_1(X, \bar{x}) \rightarrow \pi_1(Y, f(\bar{x}))$  is an isomorphism.*

**Proof.** We have seen a proof in theorem 4.5 in the case of a fibration in projective lines. A similar argument applies.  $\square$



**4.8. Geometric class field theory.** Let  $L$  be a finite abelian group. Let  $X$  be a complete non-singular curve over  $\mathbb{F}_q$ . We will prove the following theorem :

**Theorem 4.7.** *There is a canonical bijection :*

$$\begin{aligned} \{\chi : \pi_1(X) \rightarrow L\} &\rightarrow \{\rho : \text{Pic}(X) \rightarrow L\} \\ \chi &\mapsto \rho \end{aligned}$$

where  $\rho$  is defined by the rule that for all  $x \in X$ ,  $\rho(\mathcal{O}(x)) = \chi(\text{Frob}_x)$ .

As a corollary, we deduce :

**Theorem 4.8.** *We have a commutative diagram:*

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \text{Pic}(X) & \longrightarrow & \pi_1(X)^{ab} \\ \downarrow & & \downarrow \\ \mathbb{Z} & \longrightarrow & \hat{\mathbb{Z}} \end{array}$$

which induces an isomorphism between  $\text{Pic}(X)$  and  $W(X)^{ab}$ .

**Proof.** The theorem 4.7 implies that the profinite completion of  $\text{Pic}(X)$  is isomorphic to  $\pi_1(X)^{ab}$ . Now we have an exact sequence  $1 \rightarrow \text{Pic}^0(X) \rightarrow \text{Pic}(X) \rightarrow \mathbb{Z} \rightarrow 1$  (which splits non-canonically) and  $\text{Pic}^0(X)$  is a finite group. Therefore the profinite completion of  $\text{Pic}(X)$  is  $\text{Pic}^0(X) \times \hat{\mathbb{Z}}$ .  $\square$

**4.8.1. Systems of abelian covers over  $\{X^{(r)}\}_{r \geq 0}$ , compatible with the monoidal structure.** We recall that we have multiplications  $m : X^{(r)} \times X^{(r')} \rightarrow X^{(r+r')}$ , and projections  $p_1 : X^{(r)} \times X^{(r')} \rightarrow X^{(r)}$  and  $p_2 : X^{(r)} \times X^{(r')} \rightarrow X^{(r')}$ . It will be convenient to consider also  $\text{Div}_{\geq 0} = \coprod_{r \geq 0} X^{(r)}$ . So that we have three maps,  $m, p_1, p_2 : \text{Div}_{\geq 0} \times \text{Div}_{\geq 0} \rightarrow \text{Div}_{\geq 0}$ . We also let  $\pi_1(\text{Div}_{\geq 0})^{ab} = \bigoplus_{r \geq 0} \pi_1(X^{(r)})^{ab}$ .

Let  $L$  be a finite abelian group. Let  $\chi_1 : \pi_1(X) \rightarrow L$  be a character.

**Proposition 4.3.** *There is a unique way to attach to  $\chi_1$  a character  $\chi = \prod_{r \geq 0} \chi_r : \pi_1(\text{Div}_{\geq 0})^{ab} \rightarrow L$  such that :*

$$m^* \chi = p_1^* \chi + p_2^* \chi$$

as characters of  $\pi_1(\text{Div}_{\geq 0} \times \text{Div}_{\geq 0})^{ab}$ .

*Remark 4.3.* We thus claim that there is a unique system of characters  $\{\chi_r : \pi_1(X^{(r)}) \rightarrow L\}_{r \geq 1}$  which satisfy that the pull backs of  $\chi_r + \chi_{r'}$  and  $\chi_{(r+r')}$  to characters of  $\pi_1(X^{(r)} \times X^{(r')})$  coincide:

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \pi_1(X^{(r)} \times X^{(r')}) & \longrightarrow & \pi_1(X^{(r+r')}) \xrightarrow{\chi_{r+r'}} L \\ \downarrow & & \\ \pi_1(X^{(r)}) \times \pi_1(X^{(r')}) & & \\ \downarrow \chi_r + \chi_{r'} & & \\ L & & \end{array}$$

**Proof.** Let  $Y \rightarrow X$  be the abelian cover with group  $L$  corresponding to  $\chi_1$ . We construct an abelian cover over  $X^r$  corresponding to  $\chi_1^{\oplus r} : \pi_1(X^r) \rightarrow L$ . This is  $Y^r/H \rightarrow X^r$  where  $H = \text{Ker}(L^r \xrightarrow{\Sigma} L)$ . Then we check that the action of  $\mathcal{S}_r$  on  $X^r$  lifts to  $Y^r$  and passes

to the quotient  $Y^r/H$ . Moreover, the action of the inertia group is trivial on the fibers. Therefore the cover descends to  $X^{(r)}$ .  $\square$

**Lemma 4.1.** *Let  $r_0 \geq 0$ . Assume that we have a system of characters  $\{\chi_r : \pi_1(X^{(r)}) \rightarrow L\}_{r \geq r_0}$  which satisfy that the pull backs  $p_1^* \chi_r + p_2^* \chi_{r'} = m^* \chi_{(r+r')}$  has characters of  $\pi_1(X^{(r)} \times X^{(r')})$ .*

*Then, there exists a unique character  $\chi_1 : \pi_1(X, \bar{x}) \rightarrow L$  such that this system arises from  $\chi_1$ .*

**Proof.** Let  $x_0$  be a rational point on  $X^{(r)}$  for  $r \geq r_0$ . We get a map  $X \rightarrow X^{(r+1)}$  by sending  $x$  to  $(x, x_0)$ . We let  $\chi_1 : \pi_1(X) \rightarrow \pi_1(X^{(r+1)}) \rightarrow L$ .  $\square$

4.8.2. *Systems of abelian covers of  $P_X$ , compatible with the monoidal structure.* Recall that  $P_X(\mathbb{F}_q) = \text{Pic}(X)$ . We have maps  $m : P_X \times P_X \rightarrow P_X$  as well as projections  $p_i : P_X \times P_X \rightarrow P_X$ .

A character  $\rho : \pi_1(P_X) \rightarrow L$  is compatible with the monoidal structure if we have  $p_1^* \rho + p_2^* \rho = m^* \rho$  as characters of  $\pi_1(P_X \times P_X)$ .

To such a character we can associated a group morphism :  $\tilde{\rho} : \text{Pic}(X) \rightarrow L$  by evaluating on  $\text{Frob}_x$  for each  $x \in \text{Pic}(X)$ .

**Proposition 4.4.** *The association  $\rho \mapsto \tilde{\rho}$  defines an bijection between characters compatible with the monoidal structure on  $P_X$  and characters of  $\text{Pic}(X)$ .*

**Proof.** Let  $P_X \xrightarrow{\text{Frob}_q^{-1}} P_X$  be the Lang isogeny which maps  $\mathcal{L}$  to  $\text{Frob}_q^* \mathcal{L} \otimes \mathcal{L}^{-1}$ . Its kernel is precisely  $P_X(\mathbb{F}_q) = \text{Pic}(X)$ . This provides a map  $\rho_{\text{Lang}} : \pi_1(P_X) \rightarrow \text{Pic}(X)$ . Moreover, for any  $\mathcal{L} \in \text{Pic}(X)$ ,  $\rho_{\text{Lang}}(\text{Frob}_q \mathcal{L}) = \mathcal{L}$ . It is an easy exercise to check that  $m^* \rho_{\text{Lang}} = p_1^* \rho_{\text{Lang}} + p_2^* \rho_{\text{Lang}}$ .

Let  $\rho : \pi_1(P_X) \rightarrow L$  be a character compatible with the monoidal structure. We need to find a factorization  $\rho : \pi_1(P_X) \xrightarrow{\rho_{\text{Lang}}} \text{Pic}(X) \rightarrow L$ . We therefore need to prove that  $\pi_1(P_X) \xrightarrow{\text{Frob}_q^{-1}} \pi_1(P_X) \xrightarrow{\rho} L$  is the trivial character. But this is nothing else than  $\text{Frob}_q^* \rho - \rho$  (because  $\rho$  is compatible with the monoidal structure). And we know that  $\text{Frob}_q^* \rho = \rho$ .  $\square$

4.8.3. *Proof of theorem 4.7.* We see that the following sets are in natural bijection :

- (1) Characters  $\chi : \pi_1(X) \rightarrow L$ ,
- (2) Characters  $\{\chi_r : \pi_1(X^{(r)}) \rightarrow L\}_{r \geq 0}$ , compatible with the monoidal structure,
- (3) Characters  $\{\chi_r : \pi_1(X^{(r)}) \rightarrow L\}_{r \geq r_0}$ , compatible with the monoidal structure,
- (4) Characters  $\{\rho_r : \pi_1(P_X^r) \rightarrow L\}_{r \geq r_0}$ , compatible with the monoidal structure,
- (5) Characters  $\{\rho_r : \pi_1(P_X^r) \rightarrow L\}_{r \geq 0}$ , compatible with the monoidal structure,
- (6) Characters  $\tilde{\rho} : \text{Pic}(X) \rightarrow L$ .

- (1)  $\Leftrightarrow$  (2) is proposition 4.3,
- (2)  $\Leftrightarrow$  (3) is lemma 4.1,
- (3)  $\Leftrightarrow$  (4) is proposition 4.6,
- (4)  $\Leftrightarrow$  (5) is similar to lemma 4.1,
- (5)  $\Leftrightarrow$  (6) is proposition 4.4

*Remark 4.4.* We can restate our theorem as follows. Given a character  $\chi : \pi_1(X) \rightarrow L$ , there exists a unique character  $\rho : \pi_1(P_X) \rightarrow L$  such that for  $m : X \times P_X \rightarrow P_X$  the map which sends  $(x, \mathcal{L})$  to  $\mathcal{L}(x)$ , we have  $m^* \rho = p_1^* \chi + p_2^* \rho$ .

5. LECTURE V : THE LANGLANDS CORRESPONDENCE FOR  $GL_n$  OVER FUNCTION FIELDS

**5.1. The space of spherical cuspidal automorphic functions.** We consider the  $\overline{\mathbb{Q}}$ -vector space  $\mathcal{F}$  of locally constant functions  $GL_n(K) \backslash GL_n(\mathbb{A}_K) / \prod_{x \in X} GL_n(\mathcal{O}_x) \rightarrow \overline{\mathbb{Q}}$ .

We let  $Z$  be the center of  $GL_n$  (isomorphic to  $GL_1$ ). We let  $\chi : Z(K) \backslash Z(\mathbb{A}_K) / \prod_x Z(\mathcal{O}_x) \rightarrow \overline{\mathbb{Q}}^\times$  be a character.

We let  $\mathcal{C}_{cusp}(GL_n, \chi)$  be the subspace of  $\mathcal{F}$  of functions  $f$  which satisfy :

- (1) (central character)  $f(zg) = \chi(z)f(g)$ ,
- (2) (cuspidality) For all standard parabolic  $P$  of  $GL_n$ , with unipotent radical  $U$ , for all  $x \in GL_n(\mathbb{A}_K)$ , we have

$$\int_{U(K) \backslash U(\mathbb{A}_K)} f(ux) du = 0.$$

- (3) (growth condition) There is a compact  $C \subset GL_n(\mathbb{A}_K)$  such that  $f$  vanishes outside of  $Z(\mathbb{A}_K)C$ .

*Remark 5.1.* The locally profinite group  $U(\mathbb{A}_f)$  carries a Haar measure  $du$ . We normalize the Haar measure by  $du(U(\prod \mathcal{O}_x)) = 1$ . Then this Haar measure takes rational values.

**Theorem 5.1.** *The space  $\mathcal{C}_{cusp}(GL_n, \chi)$  is finite dimensional.*

We will only give the proof of this theorem for the group  $GL_2$ .

By the Iwasawa decomposition we have that  $GL_2(\mathbb{A}) = B(\mathbb{A}) \prod_x GL_2(\mathcal{O}_x)$  where  $B$  is the upper triangular Borel.

We will now define Siegel sets. Let  $v$  be a fixed place of  $K$ ,  $C^v \subset (\mathbb{A}_K^v)^\times$  and  $C_0 \subset \mathbb{A}_K$  be compact open subsets.

Let

$$\mathcal{S}_{C^v, C_0} = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 1 & y \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x' & 0 \\ 0 & x \end{pmatrix} k, y \in C_0, x', x \in K_v^\times \times C^v, |x'x^{-1}| \geq 1, k \in \prod_x GL_2(\mathcal{O}_x) \right\}$$

be a Siegel set.

**Lemma 5.1.** *For any Siegel set  $\mathcal{S}_{C^v, C_0}$  and any  $c \in \mathbb{R}_{>0}$ , the subset  $\mathcal{S}_{C^v, C_0}^{\leq c}$  of elements  $\begin{pmatrix} 1 & y \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x' & 0 \\ 0 & x \end{pmatrix} k$  which satisfy the condition that  $|(x'x^{-1})_v| \leq c$  is compact modulo the center.*

**Proof.** We have to see that  $x'x^{-1}$  belongs to some compact. From the conditions  $|x'x^{-1}| \geq 1$  and  $x'x^{-1} \in K_v^\times \times C^v$ , we deduce that  $|(x'x^{-1})_v| \geq c_1$  for a constant  $c_1$ . Therefore,  $(x'x^{-1})_v$  belongs to a compact.  $\square$

**Lemma 5.2.** *For  $C^v$  and  $C_0$  big enough, we have that  $GL_2(K) \cdot \mathcal{S}_{C^v, C_0} = GL_2(\mathbb{A}_K)$ .*

*Proof.* We first claim that for any  $g \in GL_2(\mathbb{A})$ , there exists  $\gamma \in GL_2(K)$  such that

$$g = \begin{pmatrix} x' & y \\ 0 & x \end{pmatrix} k$$

with  $k \in K$ , and  $|x'x^{-1}| \geq 1$ .

Indeed, any  $g$  has an expression of the form  $g = \begin{pmatrix} x' & y \\ 0 & x \end{pmatrix} k$  by the Iwasawa decomposition. Let us assume that  $|x'x^{-1}| < 1$ . We can conjugate  $g$  by the element  $w = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \in GL_2(K) \cap \prod_x GL_2(\mathcal{O}_x)$  and we find that  $wg = \begin{pmatrix} x & 0 \\ y & x' \end{pmatrix} k'$  for  $k' \in \prod_x GL_2(\mathcal{O}_x)$ .

We observe that  $\begin{pmatrix} x & 0 \\ y & x' \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} x & 0 \\ 0 & x' \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ (x')^{-1}y & 1 \end{pmatrix}$ .

Let us put  $\alpha = (x')^{-1}y$ . For each place  $v$  where  $|\alpha_v|_v \leq 1$ , we have that  $\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ \alpha_v & 1 \end{pmatrix} \in \mathrm{GL}_2(\mathcal{O}_x)$ .

Let  $S$  be the finite set of places for which  $|\alpha_v|_v > 1$ . We find that for  $v \in S$ ,  $\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ \alpha_v & 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \alpha_v & 1 \\ 0 & \alpha_v^{-1} \end{pmatrix} k''$  with  $(k'')^{-1} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ -1 & \alpha_v^{-1} \end{pmatrix}$ .

We deduce that  $wg = \begin{pmatrix} x \prod_{v \in S} \alpha_v & y' \\ 0 & x' \prod_{v \in S} \alpha_v^{-1} \end{pmatrix} k'''$ .

We claim that there is a compact  $C^v \subset (\mathbb{A}_K^v)^\times$  such that  $K^\times \cdot K_v C^v = \mathbb{A}_K^\times$ . Therefore, for any  $g \in \mathrm{GL}_2(\mathbb{A}_K)$ , there is  $\gamma \in \mathrm{GL}_2(K)$  such that  $\gamma g = \begin{pmatrix} x' & y \\ 0 & x \end{pmatrix} k$  with  $k \in K$ , and  $|x'x^{-1}| \geq 1$  and  $x', x^{-1} \in K_v^\times \times C^v$ .

We have thus reduced to the case that  $g = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & y \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x' & 0 \\ 0 & x \end{pmatrix} k$  where  $|x'x^{-1}| \geq 1$  and  $x', x^{-1} \in K_v^\times \times C$ . We now we claim that there is a compact  $C_0$  such that  $K + C_0 = \mathbb{A}_K$  and we are done.  $\square$

**Proof.**[of theorem] By the cuspidality assumption, we find that  $\int_{U(K) \backslash U(\mathbb{A}_K)} f(ux) du = 0$ . Observe that  $U(\mathbb{A}_K) \simeq \mathbb{A}_K$ . There is a compact subgroup  $C \subset \mathbb{A}_K$  such that  $C$  surjects onto  $\mathbb{A}_K/K$ . Therefore,  $\int_C f(ug) du = 0$ .

We apply this to an element  $g = \begin{pmatrix} x' & y \\ 0 & x \end{pmatrix}$ .

As we have that

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & u \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x' & y \\ 0 & x \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} x' & y \\ 0 & x \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & x(x')^{-1}u \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

We therefore deduce that if for all  $w \in X$ , with  $|(x(x')^{-1})_w|_w \leq 1$ , then  $\int_C f(ug) du = \mathrm{vol}(C) f(g) = 0$ .

We now take a Siegel set  $\mathcal{S}_{C^v, C_0}$  as in lemma 5.2. We deduce that  $f|_{\mathcal{S}_{C^v, C_0}}$  is supported on  $\mathcal{S}_{C^v, C_0}^{\leq 1}$  which is compact modulo the center.

It follows that any  $f \in \mathcal{C}_{\mathrm{cusp}}(\mathrm{GL}_2, \chi)$  is determined by its restriction to a set of representatives of  $\mathcal{S}_{C^v, C_0}^{\leq 1} / \prod_x \mathrm{GL}_2(\mathcal{O}_x) Z(\mathbb{A}_K)$  and this set is indeed finite !  $\square$

It is harmless to assume that  $\chi$  is a finite order because we can always twist the space  $\mathcal{C}_{\mathrm{cusp}}(\mathrm{GL}_n, \chi)$  by a function of the form  $\Psi \circ \mathrm{deg} \circ \det$  for a character  $\Psi : \mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \overline{\mathbb{Q}}^\times$ . We will make this assumption.

## 5.2. The spherical Hecke algebra.

5.2.1. *The Satake isomorphism.* For all  $x \in X$  we let  $\mathcal{H}_x$  be the algebra of functions on  $f : \mathrm{GL}_n(K_x) \rightarrow \overline{\mathbb{Q}}$  with compact support and which are left and right  $\mathrm{GL}_n(\mathcal{O}_x)$ -invariant, equipped with the convolution product :

$$f \star g(h) = \int_{\mathrm{GL}_n(\mathcal{O}_x)} f(h) g(h^{-1}t) dh.$$

We let  $T$  be the maximal diagonal torus of  $\mathrm{GL}_n$ . We let  $X_\star(T)$  be the group of cocharacters. Each such cocharacter is of the form  $t \mapsto \mathrm{diag}(t^{k_1}, \dots, t^{k_n})$  for  $(k_1, \dots, k_n) \in \mathbb{Z}^n$ . We say that a cocharacter is dominant if  $k_1 \geq \dots \geq k_n$  and we denote by  $X_\star(T)$  the cone of dominant cocharacters.

By the Cartan decomposition,  $\mathrm{GL}_n(K_x) = \coprod_{\lambda \in X_*(T)^+} \mathrm{GL}_n(\mathcal{O}_x)\lambda(t_x)\mathrm{GL}_n(\mathcal{O}_x)$  and therefore the characteristic functions  $T_{\lambda,x} = 1_{\mathrm{GL}_n(\mathcal{O}_x)\lambda(t_x)\mathrm{GL}_n(\mathcal{O}_x)}$  form a basis of the  $\overline{\mathbb{Q}}$ -vector space  $\mathcal{H}_x$ .

For all  $1 \leq i \leq n$ , we let  $\lambda_i$  be the cocharacter with coefficient  $(1, \dots, 1, 0, \dots, 0)$  with  $i$  many 1 and we let  $T_{i,x} = T_{\lambda_i,x}$ .

**Theorem 5.2** (Satake isomorphism). *The algebra  $\mathcal{H}_x$  is commutative, isomorphic to  $\overline{\mathbb{Q}}[T_{1,x}, \dots, T_{n,x}, T_{n,x}^{-1}]$ .*

The proof of this theorem relies on the Satake transform (see [Gro98] for example) :

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{H}_x &\rightarrow \overline{\mathbb{Q}}[X_*(T)]^{\mathcal{S}_n} \\ f &\rightarrow [t \mapsto \delta(t)^{\frac{1}{2}} \int_{U(K_x)} f(tu)du] \end{aligned}$$

Let  $\mathrm{GL}_n(\overline{\mathbb{Q}})^{ss}/conj$  be the set of semi-simple conjugacy classes in  $\mathrm{GL}_n(\overline{\mathbb{Q}})$ . This set is in bijection with the set of unitary degree  $n$  polynomials via the characteristic polynomial function  $M \mapsto \det(XId - M)$ .

We now define a bijection

$$\mathrm{Spec}(\mathcal{H}_x)(\overline{\mathbb{Q}}) = \mathrm{GL}_n(\overline{\mathbb{Q}})^{ss}/conj$$

by associating to an homomorphism  $\Theta : \mathcal{H}_x \rightarrow \overline{\mathbb{Q}}$  the semi-simple conjugacy class corresponding to the characteristic polynomial  $X^n - \Theta(T_{1,x})X^{n-1} + \dots + (-1)^n\Theta(T_{n,x})$ .

5.2.2. *Action of the spherical Hecke algebra.* The spherical Hecke algebra  $\mathcal{H}_x$  acts on  $\mathcal{C}_{cusp}(GL_n, \chi)$  by convolution. Namely we let

$$h.f(g) = \int_{\mathrm{GL}_n(K_x)} h(u)f(gu)du.$$

5.3. **The Langlands correspondence.** The global Hecke algebra  $\mathcal{H} = \otimes'_{x \in X} \mathcal{H}_x$  acts on  $\mathcal{C}_{cusp}(GL_n, \chi)$  by convolution.

**Theorem 5.3** ([Dd80], [Laf02]). (1) *The space  $\mathcal{C}_{cusp}(GL_n, \chi)$  has a spectral decomposition into one dimensional eigenspaces for the action of  $\mathcal{H}$  : there are finitely many distinct homomorphisms  $\Theta_1, \dots, \Theta_r : \mathcal{H} \rightarrow \overline{\mathbb{Q}}$  such that  $\mathcal{C}_{cusp}(GL_n, \chi) = \oplus_{i=1}^r \mathcal{C}_{cusp}(GL_n, \chi)[\Theta_i]$  and  $\dim_{\overline{\mathbb{Q}}} \mathcal{C}_{cusp}(GL_n, \chi)[\Theta_i] = 1$ .*

(2) *Let  $\ell \neq p$  and fix an embedding  $\overline{\mathbb{Q}} \rightarrow \overline{\mathbb{Q}}_\ell$ . To any  $\Theta_i$  we can attach an irreducible representation :*

$$\rho_i : \pi_1(X, \bar{x}) \rightarrow \mathrm{GL}_n(\overline{\mathbb{Q}}_\ell)$$

*which satisfies that  $\det(XId - \rho_i(\mathrm{Frob}_x)) = X^n - \Theta_i(T_{1,x})X^{n-1} + \dots + (-1)^n\Theta_i(T_{n,x})$ .*

(3) *The map  $\Theta_i \mapsto \rho_i$  is a bijection between the set  $\{\Theta_1, \dots, \Theta_r\}$  and the set of isomorphism classes of irreducible representations  $\rho : \pi_1(X, \bar{x}) \rightarrow \mathrm{GL}_n(\overline{\mathbb{Q}}_\ell)$  such that  $\det \rho$  corresponds to  $\chi$  via class field theory.*

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