

# COMPLEX TORI

Def: LATTICE

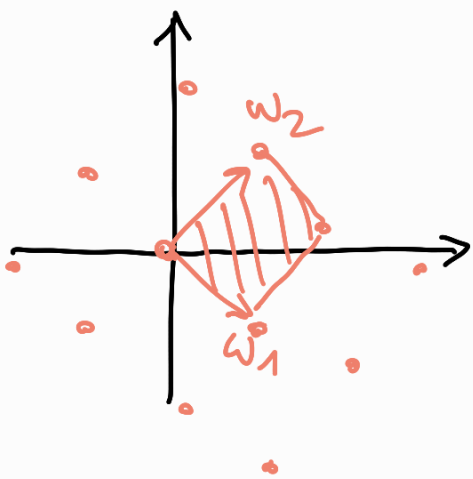
A lattice  $\Lambda \subseteq \mathbb{C}$  is the subgroup generated by two  $\mathbb{R}$ -linearly independent complex numbers

$$\Lambda = \{ n_1 \omega_1 + n_2 \omega_2 \mid n_i \in \mathbb{Z} \} \quad \begin{array}{l} \omega_1, \omega_2 \in \mathbb{C} \\ \mathbb{R}\text{-linearly indep} \end{array}$$

Def: COMPLEX TORUS

A complex torus is a quotient  $\mathbb{C}/\Lambda$  where  $\Lambda \subseteq \mathbb{C}$  is a lattice acting by translations.

We put on the torus  $E = \mathbb{C}/\Lambda$  the quotient topology so that  $E$  is a compact, Hausdorff space.

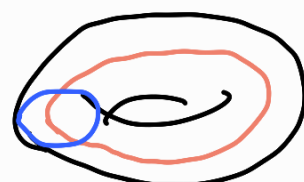
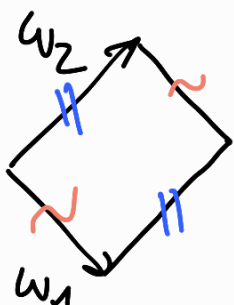


A fundamental parallelogram of the lattice  $\Lambda = \{ n_1 \omega_1 + n_2 \omega_2 \}$  is

$$P = \{ \lambda_1 \omega_1 + \lambda_2 \omega_2 \mid \lambda_i \in [0, 1] \}$$

Then, as topological spaces,  $\mathbb{C}/\Lambda$

is homeomorphic to the parallelogram where the opposite sides are identified



genus 1

So we see that a complex torus is also a topological torus: an orientable compact surface of genus 1.

Prop: A complex torus has a natural structure of a compact connected Riemann surface of genus 1.

proof: we know already that  $E = \mathbb{C}/\Lambda$  is a compact connected topological surface of genus 1.

We need to put the complex structure on it.

Consider the projection map

$$\pi: \mathbb{C} \rightarrow E$$

and let  $\mathring{P} = \{ \lambda_1 \omega_1 + \lambda_2 \omega_2 \mid \lambda_i \in (0,1) \}$  be the interior of a fundamental parallelogram. We claim that

$$\gamma: \mathring{P} + v \rightarrow \pi(\mathring{P} + v) \text{ is an homeomorphism onto the image for all } v \in \mathbb{C}$$

The map  $\pi$  is open so we just need to prove that it is bijective. As it is clearly surjective, it is enough to show that it is injective: let  $\lambda_i, \mu_i \in (0,1)$  s.t.

$$\pi(\lambda_1 \omega_1 + \lambda_2 \omega_2) = \pi(\mu_1 \omega_1 + \mu_2 \omega_2)$$

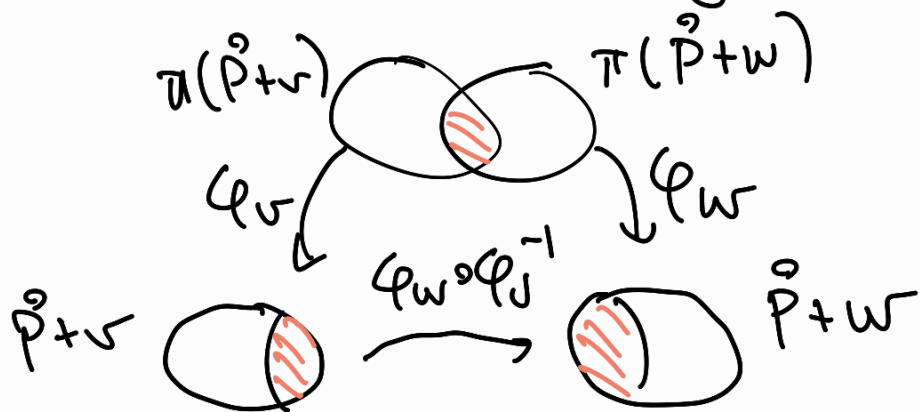
Then  $(\lambda_1 - \mu_1)\omega_1 + (\lambda_2 - \mu_2)\omega_2 \in \Lambda$  so that

$$(\lambda_1 - \mu_1)\omega_1 + (\lambda_2 - \mu_2)\omega_2 = n_1 \omega_1 + n_2 \omega_2 \quad n_i \in \mathbb{Z}$$

so that  $\lambda_i - \mu_i = n_i$ . But then  $n_i = 0$ .

The open sets  $\pi(\mathring{P} + v)$  clearly cover  $E$ . As charts we take  $\varphi_v: \pi(\mathring{P} + v) \rightarrow \mathring{P} + v$ ,  $\varphi_v = (\pi|_{\mathring{P} + v})^{-1}$ .

We need to check compatibility:



However it is easy to check that this change of coordinates map is simply a translation, which is holomorphic.

$$\varphi_w \circ \varphi_v^{-1}: \begin{array}{ccc} z+v & \longmapsto & z+w \\ \parallel & & \\ u & \longmapsto & u+(w-v) \end{array} \quad \square$$

Remark: With this complex structure on  $E$ , the map

$$\pi: \mathbb{C} \rightarrow E = \mathbb{C}/\Lambda, \quad z \mapsto [z]$$

is holomorphic, as well as the maps

$$\begin{array}{ccc} E \times E & \rightarrow & E \\ [z_1], [z_2] & \mapsto & [z_1 + z_2] \end{array} \quad \begin{array}{ccc} E & \rightarrow & E \\ [z] & \mapsto & [-z] \end{array}$$

giving the group structure of  $E$

Now we want to consider maps between complex tori. Consider first a linear complex map

$$\tilde{f}: \mathbb{C} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}, \quad z \mapsto a \cdot z \quad a \in \mathbb{C}$$

s.t.  $\tilde{f}(\Lambda_1) \subseteq \Lambda_2$  for two lattices  $\Lambda_1, \Lambda_2 \subseteq \mathbb{C}$

Then  $\tilde{f}$  induces a holomorphic map

$$f: \mathbb{C}/\Lambda_1 \rightarrow \mathbb{C}/\Lambda_2$$

$$[z] \mapsto [az]$$

which is also a group homomorphism.

[Exercise: check these assertions]

actually almost all maps are of this form.

Prop: Let  $f: \mathbb{C}/\Lambda_1 \rightarrow \mathbb{C}/\Lambda_2$  be a holomorphic map s.t.  $f(0) = 0$ . Then  $f$  is induced by a  $\mathbb{C}$ -linear map  $\tilde{f}: \mathbb{C} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$  s.t.  $\tilde{f}(\Lambda_1) \subseteq \Lambda_2$  as before.

Proof: The map  $\mathbb{C} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}/\Lambda_2$  is the universal cover, so the composition  $\mathbb{C} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}/\Lambda_1 \xrightarrow{f} \mathbb{C}/\Lambda_2$  lifts to it, since  $\mathbb{C}$  is simply connected.

We have a diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \mathbb{C} & \xrightarrow{\tilde{f}} & \mathbb{C} \\ \pi \downarrow & & \downarrow \pi \\ \mathbb{C}/\Lambda_1 & \xrightarrow{f} & \mathbb{C}/\Lambda_2 \end{array} \quad \begin{array}{l} \tilde{f} \text{ holomorphic} \\ \tilde{f}(0) = 0 \end{array}$$

We claim that  $\tilde{f}$  is a linear map:  $\tilde{f} = a \cdot z$ , or, equivalently, that the derivative  $\tilde{f}'$  is constant. Fix  $\lambda_1 \in \Lambda_1$  and consider the function

$$\tilde{f}(z + \lambda_1) - \tilde{f}(z)$$

By construction, we have that

$$[\tilde{f}(z + \lambda_1)] = [\tilde{f}(z)] \text{ in } \mathbb{C}/\Delta_2, \text{ hence}$$

$\tilde{f}(z + \lambda_1) - \tilde{f}(z) \in \Delta_2$ . Since  $\Delta_2$  is discrete it must be that there exists  $\lambda_2$  s.t.

$$\tilde{f}(z + \lambda_1) - \tilde{f}(z) = \lambda_2 \quad \forall z \in \mathbb{C}$$

differentiating

$$\tilde{f}'(z + \lambda_1) - \tilde{f}'(z) = 0$$

this proves that  $\tilde{f}'$  is  $\Delta_1$ -invariant, hence induces a holomorphic map  $\tilde{f}': \mathbb{C}/\Delta_1 \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$  which then must be constant, as  $\mathbb{C}/\Delta_1$  is compact. This is what we wanted to show.  $\square$

Cor: Any holomorphic map between complex tori is the composition of a homomorphism and a translation

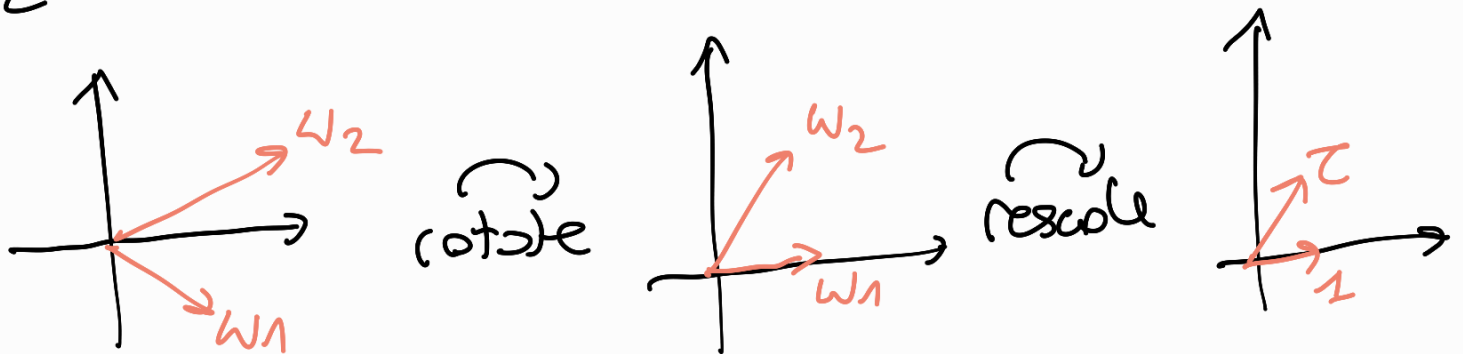
proof:  $f: E_1 \rightarrow E_2$ . let  $a = f(0)$  and consider the composition  $t_{-a} \circ f: E_1 \rightarrow E_2$  where  $t_{-a}: E_2 \rightarrow E_2, z \mapsto z - a$ . Then  $(t_{-a} \circ f)(0) = 0$  so it is a homomorphism by the previous proposition. Then  $f = t_a \circ (\text{homomorphism})$   $\square$

Lemma: Every complex torus is isomorphic to one of the form  $\mathbb{C}/\mathbb{Z} + \tau\mathbb{Z}$  where

$$\tau \in \mathcal{H} = \{ \tau \in \mathbb{C} \mid \text{Im}(\tau) > 0 \}$$

proof: take a lattice  $\Lambda = \{n_1\omega_1 + n_2\omega_2\}$  and rotate it and rescale it until it is of the form

$\mathbb{Z} + \tau\mathbb{Z}$ . Rotation and rescale are  $\mathbb{C}$ -linear  $\square$



Def: UPPER HALF SPACE

The space  $\mathcal{H} = \{ \tau \in \mathbb{C} \mid \text{Im}(\tau) > 0 \}$  is called upper half space.

This representation allows us to define a fundamental function

Def: THETA FUNCTION

Let  $\tau \in \mathcal{H}$ . The corresponding theta function is

$$\theta(z, \tau) = \sum_{n \in \mathbb{Z}} \exp(\pi i n^2 \tau + 2\pi i n z)$$

Prop: The theta function is an entire holomorphic function of  $z$ . Moreover it is even.

proof: we show that the series converges uniformly on compact sets. Suppose  $\text{Im}(z) > \varepsilon > 0$ , and  $\text{Im}(z) \geq -c/2$  for a fixed  $c > 0$ . Then

$$|\exp(\pi i n^2 \tau + 2\pi i n z)| =$$

$$|\exp(\pi i n \cdot \text{Re}(z) \cdot n + 2\pi i n \cdot \text{Re}(z))| \cdot$$

$$\cdot |\exp(-\pi n \text{Im}(z) n - 2\pi n \text{Im}(z))|$$

$$= \exp(-\pi n \text{Im}(z) n - 2\pi n \text{Im}(z))$$

$$< \exp(-\pi n^2 \varepsilon + \pi n c) = \exp(-\pi n(n\varepsilon - c))$$

Now choose  $n_0 \in \mathbb{N}$  s.t.  $n_0 \varepsilon - c > 1$

then  $\forall n \geq n_0$

$$\exp(-\pi n(n\varepsilon - c)) =$$

$$\exp(-\pi n((n-n_0)\varepsilon + n_0\varepsilon - c)) \leq$$

$$\leq \exp(-\pi n(n-n_0)\varepsilon) \quad \text{which converges}$$

To check that it is even

$$\theta(-z, \tau) = \sum_{n \in \mathbb{Z}} \exp(\pi i n^2 \tau + 2\pi i n(-z))$$

$$= \sum_{n \in \mathbb{Z}} \exp(\pi i (-n)^2 \tau + 2\pi i (-n)z) = \theta(z, \tau). \quad \square$$

Prop: The Theta function is QUASIPERIODIC meaning that

$$\Theta(z+m+\tau n, \tau) = \exp(-\pi i n \tau n - 2\pi i n z) \Theta(z, \tau)$$

for all  $n, m \in \mathbb{Z}, z \in \mathbb{C}$ .

proof: write for  $k \in \mathbb{Z}$

$$\begin{aligned} & \exp(\pi i k \tau k + 2\pi i k(z+m+\tau n)) = \\ & = \exp(\pi i k \tau k + 2\pi i k z + 2\pi i k \tau n) \cdot \underbrace{\exp(2\pi i k m)}_1 \\ & = \exp(\pi i (k+n) \tau (k+n) + 2\pi i (k+n) z) \\ & \cdot \exp(-\pi i n \tau n - 2\pi i n z). \end{aligned}$$

So, summing over all  $k \in \mathbb{Z}$  we get

$$\begin{aligned} \Theta(z+m+\tau n, \tau) &= \\ & \exp(-\pi i n \tau n - 2\pi i n z) \underbrace{\sum_{k \in \mathbb{Z}} \exp(\pi i (k+n) \tau (k+n) + 2\pi i (k+n) z)}_{\Theta(z, \tau)} \end{aligned}$$

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In particular, since the factor  $\exp(-\pi i n \tau n - 2\pi i n z)$  is never zero, this tells us that

$$\Theta(z+m+\tau n, \tau) = 0 \iff \Theta(z, \tau) = 0$$

so the set of zeroes is  $\Lambda$ -invariant.



We want to determine this explicitly.

To do this, it will be useful to consider the logarithmic derivative of  $\Theta$ :

$$\frac{d \log \Theta}{dz} = \frac{\frac{d\Theta}{dz}}{\Theta} \quad \text{meromorphic function}$$

This obeys the formal rules of the logarithm in particular:

$$\Theta(z + m + \tau n, \tau) = \exp(-\pi i n \tau n - 2\pi i n z) \Theta(z, \tau)$$

$$\log \Theta(z + m + \tau n, \tau) = -\pi i n \tau n - 2\pi i n z + \log \Theta(z, \tau)$$

$$\frac{d \log \Theta}{dz}(z + m + \tau n, \tau) = -2\pi i n + \frac{d \log \Theta}{dz}(z, \tau)$$

$$\frac{d^2 \log \Theta}{dz^2}(z + m + \tau n, \tau) = \frac{d^2 \log \Theta}{dz^2}(z, \tau)$$

Given this, we can prove

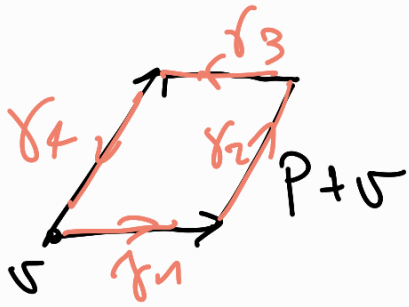
Prop: The zeroes of the theta function are

$$\left\{ z \mid \Theta(z, \tau) = 0 \right\} = \frac{1}{2} + \tau \frac{1}{2} + (\mathbb{Z} + \tau \mathbb{Z})$$

and each zero has multiplicity one.

proof: first we count them. Since the set of zeroes is discrete we can find a

translate of the fundamental parallelogram that does not have any zeroes on the boundary. The zeroes inside this translate are counted, with multiplicity by



$$\sum_{z \in \mathring{P}+v} \text{Res}_z \left( \frac{d \log \Theta}{dz} \right) = \sum_{z \in \mathring{P}+v} \text{ord}_z \Theta$$

The sum of the residues can be computed via the residue theorem as

$$\frac{1}{2\pi i} \left( \int_{\gamma_1} \frac{d \log \Theta}{dz} dz + \int_{\gamma_2} \frac{d \log \Theta}{dz} dz + \int_{\gamma_3} \frac{d \log \Theta}{dz} dz + \int_{\gamma_4} \frac{d \log \Theta}{dz} dz \right)$$

However, since

$$\frac{d \log \Theta}{dz}(z + m + \tau n, \tau) = -2\pi i n + \frac{d \log \Theta}{dz}(z, \tau)$$

we see that

$$\int_{\gamma_3} \frac{d \log \Theta}{dz} dz = 2\pi i - \int_{\gamma_1} \frac{d \log \Theta}{dz} dz$$

$$\int_{\gamma_2} \frac{d \log \Theta}{dz} dz = - \int_{\gamma_4} \frac{d \log \Theta}{dz} dz$$

Hence we see that the final result is 1. The theta function has one zero in  $\mathring{P}+v$ .

It is now enough to find one point where the function is zero.

Claim:  $\Theta\left(\frac{1}{2} + \tau\frac{1}{2}, \tau\right) = 0$ .

How can we prove this? It would be easy if the function

$$z \mapsto \Theta\left(z + \frac{1}{2} + \tau\frac{1}{2}, \tau\right)$$

were to be odd, since any odd function vanishes at zero. However

$$\Theta\left(-z + \frac{1}{2} + \tau\frac{1}{2}, \tau\right) = \Theta\left(z - \frac{1}{2} - \tau\frac{1}{2}, \tau\right) \quad \left[ \begin{array}{l} \Theta \text{ is} \\ \text{even} \end{array} \right]$$

$$= \Theta\left(z + \frac{1}{2} + \tau\frac{1}{2} - 1 - \tau, \tau\right)$$

$$= \exp\left(+\pi i \tau + 2\pi i \left(z + \frac{1}{2} + \tau\frac{1}{2}\right)\right) \Theta\left(z + \frac{1}{2} + \tau\frac{1}{2}, \tau\right)$$

So, it is not exactly odd. However, we can fix by defining

$$\Theta_{11}(z, \tau) = \exp\left(-\frac{1}{4}\pi i \tau - \pi i \left(z + \frac{1}{2}\right)\right) \Theta\left(z + \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{2}\tau\right)$$

which is odd (exercise) and we conclude.  $\square$

# MEROMORPHIC FUNCTIONS on COMPLEX TORI

For every  $x \in \mathbb{C}$  define the function

$$\Theta^{(x)}(z, \tau) := \Theta\left(z + \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{2}\tau - x, \tau\right)$$

Observe that

$$\begin{aligned}\Theta^{(x)}(z + m + \tau n, \tau) &= \exp(-\pi i n \tau n - 2\pi i n(z + \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{2}\tau - x)) \Theta^{(x)}(z, \tau) \\ &= \exp(2\pi i n x) \exp(-\pi i n \tau n - 2\pi i n(z + \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{2}\tau)) \Theta^{(x)}(z, \tau)\end{aligned}$$

In particular, take  $x_1, \dots, x_d, y_1, \dots, y_d \in \mathbb{C}$  s.t.

$$x_1 + \dots + x_d = y_1 + \dots + y_d$$

and define

$$\eta_{(x, y)}^{(z, \tau)} = \frac{\Theta^{(x_1)}(z, \tau) \cdots \Theta^{(x_d)}(z, \tau)}{\Theta^{(y_1)}(z, \tau) \cdots \Theta^{(y_d)}(z, \tau)}$$

Prop:  $\eta_{(x, y)}^{(z, \tau)}$  defines a meromorphic function on  $E_\tau = \mathbb{C}/\mathbb{Z} + \tau\mathbb{Z}$  with divisor

$$\operatorname{div}\left(\eta_{(x, y)}^{(z, \tau)}\right) = [x_1] + \dots + [x_d] - [y_1] - \dots - [y_d]$$

proof: we show that  $\eta$  is  $\Delta_\tau$ -invariant

$$\eta(z+m+\tau n, \tau) = \exp(2\pi i n(x_1 + \dots + x_d - y_1 - \dots - y_d)) \cdot \eta(z, \tau) = \eta(z, \tau)$$

hence  $\eta$  defines a meromorphic function on  $E_\tau$

To show that the divisor is that one, it is enough to observe that the zeros of  $\Theta^{(x)}$  are

$$\{z \mid \Theta^{(x)}(z, \tau) = 0\} = x + \Delta$$

each one with multiplicity one.  $\square$

This allows us to prove

Thm: ABEL'S THEOREM for complex tori - I

Two divisors on a complex torus  $E$  are equivalent if and only if they have the same degree and the same sum of the corresponding points in  $E$ . More precisely

$$\sum n_p \cdot p \sim \sum m_p \cdot p \iff \sum n_p = \sum m_p$$

$$\text{and} \\ \sum n_p \cdot p = \sum m_p \cdot p$$

where the sum is in  $E$

Proof: by the first formulation we mean this  
 take two divisors  $D = \sum n_p \cdot p$  and  $E = \sum m_p \cdot p$   
 then

$$D \sim E \quad \text{iff} \quad \begin{array}{l} \sum n_p = \sum m_p \\ \text{and} \\ \sum n_p p = \sum m_p p \quad \text{as a sum in } E \end{array}$$

We can suppose that the torus is of the form  
 $\mathbb{C}/\mathbb{Z} + \tau\mathbb{Z}$  for  $\tau \in \mathcal{H}$ .

We can also assume that  $D, E$  are effective  
 of the same degree, so that

$$D = [X_1] + \dots + [X_d], \quad E = [Y_1] + \dots + [Y_d]$$

Assume first that the sum of the points in  
 $\mathbb{C}/\mathbb{Z} + \tau\mathbb{Z}$  is the same i.e.

$$[X_1 + \dots + X_d] = [Y_1 + \dots + Y_d]$$

Then, up to changing representatives, we can  
 assume  $X_1 + \dots + X_d = Y_1 + \dots + Y_d$  and  
 then the previous proposition gives us

$$[X_1] + \dots + [X_d] - [Y_1] - \dots - [Y_d] = \text{div} \left( \eta^{\left( \frac{X_1 + \dots + X_d}{d}, 1 \right)} \right)$$

hence they are linearly equivalent.

Conversely, suppose that  $D$  and  $E$  are linearly equivalent and set

$$X_{d+1} = Y_1 + \dots + Y_d, \quad Y_{d+1} = X_1 + \dots + X_d$$

then, thanks to what we already proved, we know that

$$[X_1] + \dots + [X_d] + [X_{d+1}] \sim [Y_1] + \dots + [Y_d] + [Y_{d+1}]$$

but  $[X_1] + \dots + [X_d] \sim [Y_1] + \dots + [Y_d]$  by

assumption, so it must be that

$[X_{d+1}] \sim [Y_{d+1}]$ . This means that there is a meromorphic function  $f$  s.t.

$$[X_{d+1}] - [Y_{d+1}] = \text{div}(f)$$

equivalently, there is a map  $f: \mathbb{C}/\mathbb{Z} + \tau\mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{P}^1$

s.t.  $f^{-1}(0) = [X_{d+1}]$ ,  $f^{-1}(\infty) = [Y_{d+1}]$  with

multiplicity. But, if  $f$  is non constant then

it has degree 1 and it is an isomorphism

impossible because a complex torus has genus 1.

Then  $f$  is constant and  $[X_{d+1}] = [Y_{d+1}]$

which is what we wanted to prove.  $\square$

# Thm: ABEL'S THEOREM - II

Let  $E$  be a complex torus.

For all fixed  $p_0 \in E$  the map

$$\begin{aligned} \alpha_{p_0}: E &\longrightarrow \text{Pic}_0(E) \\ p &\longmapsto [p - p_0] \end{aligned}$$

is an isomorphism of groups.

proof:  $\alpha_{p_0}$  injective: if  $p \sim p_0$ , the previous result shows that  $p = p_0$ .

$\alpha_{p_0}$  surjective: let  $D = \sum n_q \cdot q$  be any divisor of degree zero. We need to find a point  $p \in E$  s.t.

$$p - p_0 \sim \sum n_q \cdot q \quad \text{i.e.}$$

$$p \sim \sum n_q \cdot q + p_0$$

it is enough to take  $p = \sum n_q \cdot q + p_0$  where the sum on the right is now on the complex torus  $E$ .