

# Néron models of jacobians over base schemes of dimension $\geq 1$

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Key Ideas Over 2 Days

Basic Situation:  $S$  regular, integral, separated scheme;

•  $U \subset S$  dense open;

•  $C/S$  semi-stable curve, smooth over  $U$ .

$\mathcal{P}$  flat, proper, geom. fibres connected & with only ODPs, eg.  $\mathcal{O}_S$ , not  $\mathbb{A}^1$

•  $J := \text{Jac}(C/U)$ , an abelian scheme over  $U$ .

Basic question: how to make a 'good' model of  $J$  over  $S$ ?

What do we mean by 'good model'? A candidate:

Def. Let  $S$  <sup>reg.</sup> scheme,  $U \subset S$  dense open,  $A/U$  an abelian scheme

A Néron model for  $A/S$  is a smooth, separated (group) algebraic space  $N/S$ , together with an isomorphism  $A \cong N|_U$ , with the following universal property:

Given a smooth morphism  $\mathcal{P}: T \rightarrow S$  of algebraic spaces, & a  $U$ -morphism  $f: T_U \rightarrow A$ , there exists a unique  $S$ -morphism  $F: T \rightarrow N$  s.t.  $F|_U = f$ .

- Obs:
- In particular, any section in  $A(U)$  extends;
  - If  $A/S$  is abelian then  $A$  is the N.M. of  $A|_U$ ;
  - Thm [Néron, §5]: If  $\dim S = 1$ , then a N.M. always exists (even as a scheme).

eg:  $S = \text{Spec } \mathbb{C}[t]$ , (dimension 1),  $U = S \setminus \{t=0\}$ .

$E: y^2 = x(x-t)(x-1)$  elliptic curve  $\subset \mathbb{P}_S^2$   
 - semistable, smooth / U

Set  $E^{sm} = E \setminus (x=y=t=0)$ .

$J := \mathcal{H}^0(\text{Jac}(E_{y/t})) \xrightarrow{\text{section} \rightarrow \text{canonical map}} E_{y/t}$

By Néron's thm  $\Rightarrow J$  has a Néron Model. What is it?

Set  $E^{sm} = E \setminus (x=y=t=0)$ . Then  $J$  canonical gp law on  $E^{sm}$ ,  
 & it is the NM. In particular, every section in  $E(U)$   
 extends across  $t^{-sm}(S)$ .

cf. Jilong's talk.

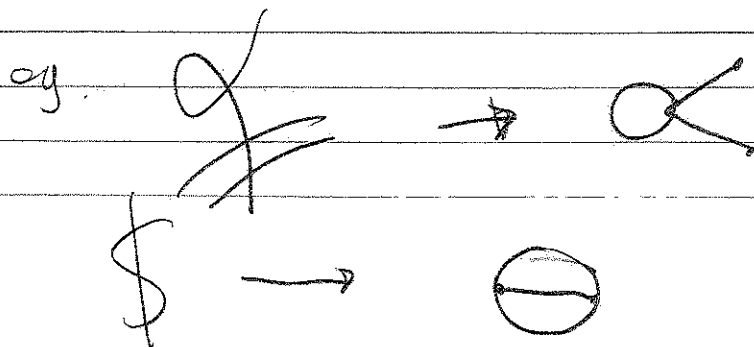
Basic questions: Does  $J$  always admit a NM?  
 If not, what about after blowing up / altering?

To answer, we need ~~some~~ more definitions.

Def: Let  $C$  be a s-stable curve over a sep. cl field. The dual graph  $\Gamma$  of  $C$  has:

- 1 vertex for each irred comp of  $C$ ;
- 1 edge for each sing. pt of  $C$ ;

An edge  $e$  goes between the ~~two~~ ~~irred~~ (one or two) irreducible components containing it.



Next, we want to put labels on the edges of the dual graph  $\Gamma$ . We need:

Lemma: ~~Let  $S$  be a local Noether scheme,  $C \rightarrow S$  semistable curve.~~ <sup>Usual setup</sup> Let  $\tilde{c} \in C$  a ~~non-smooth~~ non-smooth geometric pt, lying over geom pt  $\tilde{s} \in S$ . Then  $\exists \alpha \in \mathbb{N}$  and an isomorphism of complete local rings  $\mathcal{O}_{\tilde{s}, S}^{et}$

$$\widehat{\mathcal{O}}_{\tilde{s}, S}^{et} [u, v] \xrightarrow{\sim} \widehat{\mathcal{O}}_{\tilde{c}, C}^{et} \\ (u, v - \alpha)$$

Moreover, this  $\alpha$  is unique up to units in  $\mathcal{O}_{\tilde{s}, S}^{et}$ , we call  $\alpha \cdot \mathcal{O}_{\tilde{s}, S}^{et}$  the singular ideal of  $\tilde{c}$ .

Def: ~~Let  $S$  be a local Noether scheme,  $C/S$  semistable.~~ <sup>Usual setup,  $\tilde{s} \in S$  geom pt.</sup> The labelled reduction graph  $\Gamma_S$  is the dual graph of  $C_S$ , with each edge  $e$  labelled by the singular ideal of the corresp. non-smooth pt in  $C$  lying over  $\tilde{s}$ .

edges labelled by principal ideals of  $\mathcal{O}_{\tilde{s}, S}^{et}$

~~Def:  $C/S$  is aligned at a geom pt  $\tilde{s} \in S$  if for every 2-vertex-connected subgraph  $H \subset \Gamma$ ,  $\exists \alpha_H \in \mathcal{O}_{\tilde{s}, S}^{et}$  such that for all edges  $e \in H$   $\exists n_e \in \mathbb{Z}_{>0}$  s.t.~~

$$\text{label}(e) = (\alpha_H)^{n_e}$$

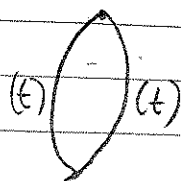
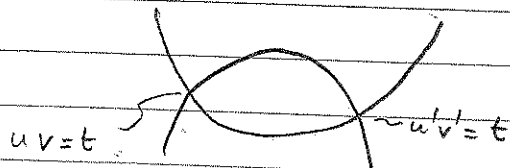
We say  $C/S$  aligned if aligned at  $\tilde{s}$   $\forall$  geom pt  $\tilde{s} \in S$ .  
i.e. every 2-v-c has all its labels gen. by one elt

Usual setup. We say  $C/S$  is aligned at a geom. pt  $\tilde{s} \in S$  if for every circuit (non-self-intersecting loop)  $\gamma \in \Gamma$ , & for every two edges  $e, e' \in \gamma$ ,  $\exists$  integers  $n, n' > 0$  s.t.

$$\text{label}(e)^n = \text{label}(e')^{n'}$$

$S = \text{Spec } \mathbb{C}[s, t]$ ,  $s = \text{cl. pt.}$

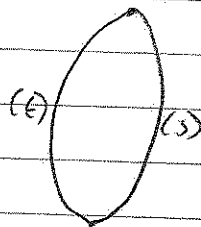
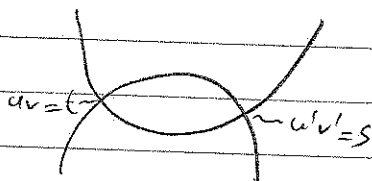
eg:  $y^2 = (x+1)(x+1+t)(x-1)(x-1-t) \subseteq \mathbb{P}_s^2(1, 1, 2)$



aligned.

eg:  $S$ ,  $s$  as before,

$y^2 = (x+1)(x+1+s)(x-1)(x-1-t) \subseteq \mathbb{P}_s^2(1, 1, 2)$



NOT aligned

eg: compact type  $\Rightarrow$  aligned.

eg:  $\dim S = 1 \Rightarrow$  aligned.

Now we can answer questions:

Thm CH3: Usual setup.

1) If  $\mathcal{I}$  has a NT over  $S$ , then  $\mathcal{C}/S$  is aligned.

2) If  $\mathcal{C}/S$  is aligned &  $C$  is regular, then  $\mathcal{I}$  has a NT over  $S$ .

- Resolving singularities is not too hard if eg  $\mathcal{C}/S$  is a union of components of  $\mathcal{C}$ .
- Can give a more precise cond. that doesn't need  $C$  reg. if  $U$  comp. of  $NCD$ .

Idea of pf:

- We actually show that being aligned is  $\equiv$  to  $\bar{e}$  in  $\text{Pic } \mathcal{C}/S$  being flat over  $S$ . If it is, then the quotient  $\text{Pic } \mathcal{C}/S / \bar{e}$  is the Néron model. Conversely, if NT exists then can show  $\bar{e}$  flat.

Thm CH3: Usual setup,  $S'$  regular,  $\pi: S' \rightarrow S$  proper surjective (eg blowing up at smooth centre alteration).

Then  $C_S$  aligned  $\iff C_{\pi^{-1}S'/S}$  aligned

Cor: If  $C_{reg}$  &  $C_S$  or  $C_S$  not aligned, then  $\mathcal{J}$  does not admit a NT, even after blowup/alteration/proper surj cover of  $S$ .

(reg. in codim 1)

Cor: ~~Usual~~  $S$  normal, loc. Noeth, sep,  $U(S)$  open,  $C_S$  semistable, smooth  $\mu$ ,  $\mathcal{J} = \mathcal{J}_{ac}(C_S/\mu)$ .

Then  $\exists U \subseteq S$  open s.t.  $\text{codim}_S(S/U) \geq 2$  & s.t.

$\mathcal{J}$  has a NT over  $U$ .

• application to 'algebraic linear extension', Hodge theory (case 4) Mordell's conjectures, Hodge jumping

PTO for universal case

# What about the universal case?

Let  $g, n \in \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0}$  s.t.  $2g-2+n > 0$ .

Let  $\mathcal{M}_{g,n}$  = DM stack of smooth proper curves of genus  $g$  w.  $n$  distinct (marked pts, ordered)

$\overline{\mathcal{M}}_{g,n}$  = DMK cplt.

$C := \overline{\mathcal{M}}_{g,n+1} \rightarrow \overline{\mathcal{M}}_{g,n}$  universal curve, stable, smothover  $\mathcal{M}_{g,n}$

Set  $\mathcal{I} = \text{Jac} \left( C_{\mathcal{M}_{g,n}} \right)$ , ab. sch over  $\mathcal{M}_{g,n}$ .

In general,  $\mathcal{I}_{g,n}$  has no NM over  $\overline{\mathcal{M}}_{g,n}$ .

Def: Let  $T$  reg. alg. stack,  $f: T \rightarrow \overline{\mathcal{M}}_{g,n}$  morphism s.t.

$f^{-1} \overline{\mathcal{M}}_{g,n}$  dense in  $T$ . We say  $f$  is 'NM admitting' if  $f^* \mathcal{I}_{g,n}$  has a NM over  $T$ .

Thm [43]: The 2-cat of NM admitting morphisms to  $\overline{\mathcal{M}}_{g,n}$  has a terminal object, denoted

$$\widetilde{\overline{\mathcal{M}}}_{g,n} \xrightarrow{\beta} \overline{\mathcal{M}}_{g,n}$$

$\beta$  is l.f. pres, ~~in general not a germ of a cplt.~~

low:  $\exists \beta: \widetilde{\overline{\mathcal{M}}}_{g,n} \rightarrow \overline{\mathcal{M}}_{g,n}$  & a NM of  $\mathcal{I}_{g,n}$  over  $\overline{\mathcal{M}}_{g,n}$ ,

Moreover for any  $f: T \rightarrow \overline{\mathcal{M}}_{g,n}$  NM admitting morphism, we have that  $f$  factors uniquely <sup>(cplt, non)</sup> via  $\beta$ .

# Silverman - Tate - Green theorem St. W. R. de Jong

Using these techniques  $\mathbb{C}$  can also give a new, more 'effective' proof of

Thm:  $K$  global field,  $S/k$  rel.-curve, <sup>(not necessarily proper),</sup>  ~~$S/k$  rel.-curve~~

$A/S$  ab.-scheme,  $\sigma \in AC(S)$  sections of  $\sigma$  of order  $n$ .

Then  ~~$\forall d \in \mathbb{N}$~~ ,

~~$\{ \sigma \in AC(S) \mid \sigma \text{ is torsion} \}$~~  is finite <sup>(also over fin.-ext.)</sup>  
<sub>of bounded degree.</sub>

Idea: • Reduce to case of ~~gen~~ Jacobians of  $S$ - $S$  curves.

• Relate local  $H^1$  pairings to electrical resistance on 'circuits' coming from labelled graphs.