

Goal: Show Tate's conjecture for divisors & Artin's conjecture are "equivalent".

Artin's Conj: Let X be a proper scheme over \mathbb{Z} . Then $\text{Br}(X)$ is finite.

The Brauer Group of a local Ring

Let R be a local ring. Recall if k -field, $\text{Br}(k)$ is the collection of Morita equivalence classes of central simple algebras over k . The classification of these depends on the fact that $A \otimes A^{\text{op}} \xrightarrow{\sim} \text{End}_k(A)$ (A is simple! Count dimensions).

Def: Let (R, \mathfrak{m}) be a local ring, A an R -algebra. Then A is an Azumaya alg. over R if:

- A is a free R -module of finite rank,
- $A \otimes_R A^{\text{op}} \xrightarrow{\sim} \text{End}_R(A)$.

Prop: Let A be an Azumaya algebra over R . Then:

- $Z(A) = R$
- There is a bijection $\left\{ \begin{array}{c} \text{2-sided ideals} \\ \text{in } A \end{array} \right\} \longleftrightarrow \left\{ \begin{array}{c} \text{ideals in} \\ R \end{array} \right\}$.

Proof: Let $c \in Z(A)$. Then $\varphi(c \otimes 1 - 1 \otimes c) = 0$. Let a_1, \dots, a_n be an R -basis of A , and hence $\{a_i \otimes a_j\}$ be an R -basis of $A \otimes_R A^{\text{op}}$. Hence $c \otimes 1 = 1 \otimes c \Rightarrow \sum r_i a_i \otimes 1 = 1 \otimes \sum r_i a_i$, which implies $c \in R$.

Now if $I \subset A$ is a two-sided ideal, any R -mod hom. $\psi: A \rightarrow A$, since $\psi \in \text{End}_R(A) = A \otimes_R A^{\text{op}}$, $\psi(I) \subset I$ as ψ is multiplication by some element. Using the hom's $\chi_i(\sum r_j a_j) = r_j \cdot 1$, we see $(I \cap R) \cdot A \subset I$.

Now let $J \subset R$, $\sum r_i a_i = x$, $r_i \in J$. Hence $x \in J \cdot A$. (insert non-obvious manipulations) $(J \cap R) \cdot A \subset J \cdot A$. \square

Prop: If A is Azumaya/ R & R' is a commutative local R -alg. then $A \otimes_R R'$ is Azumaya/ R' . If A is a free R -algebra of finite rank & $A/\mathfrak{m}_R A = \overline{A}/\mathfrak{m}_R$ is a CSA/ $k = R/\mathfrak{m}$, then A is Azumaya/ R .

Proof: The only non-obvious condition is the isomorphism.

$$\begin{array}{ccc} (A \otimes A^{\text{op}}) \otimes R' & \xrightarrow{\sim} & \text{End}(A) \otimes R \\ \downarrow \cong & \swarrow \text{want} & \downarrow \cong \\ (A \otimes R') \otimes (A^{\text{op}} \otimes R') & \xrightarrow{\sim} & \text{End}(A \otimes R') \end{array} \left. \vphantom{\begin{array}{ccc} (A \otimes A^{\text{op}}) \otimes R' & \xrightarrow{\sim} & \text{End}(A) \otimes R \\ \downarrow \cong & \swarrow \text{want} & \downarrow \cong \\ (A \otimes R') \otimes (A^{\text{op}} \otimes R') & \xrightarrow{\sim} & \text{End}(A \otimes R') \end{array}} \right\} \text{Commutates } \checkmark$$

The other statement follows from Nakayama. \square

Corollary:

- 1) If A, A' are Azumaya/ R , then $A \otimes_R A'$ is also.
- 2) $M_n(R)$ is Azumaya/ R .

Def: Define $\text{Br}(R)$ to be Morita equivalence classes of Azumaya algebras over R (that is $A \otimes_R M_n(R) \cong A' \otimes M_{n'}(R)$ for some n, n').

Morita Theory for CSA/ k

We know CSA's A are isomorphic to $M_n(D)$ for some n , division algebra D .

Thm: (Morita) $\{A\text{-mod}\} \longleftrightarrow \{D\text{-mod}\}$.

Corollary: If A is a CSA/ k , $M+N$ are modules of the same dim/ k , then $M \cong N$ as A -mod.

Prop: Let A be Azumaya/ R . Then every automorphism of A as an R -algebra is inner.

Proof: EC 1.4, Chap 4. \square

Corollary: $\text{Aut}_{R\text{-alg}}(M_n(R)) = \text{PGL}_n(R)$

Proof: We know $M_n(R)$ is Azumaya, hence all automorphisms are inner. Thus we have a surjection: $\text{GL}_n(R) \rightarrow \text{Aut}_{R\text{-alg}}(M_n(R))$, $u \mapsto (P \mapsto uPu^{-1})$, and it's easy to see the kernel is R^* . \square

Prop: If R is henselian, then the canonical map $\text{Br}(R) \rightarrow \text{Br}(k)$, $A \mapsto \bar{A}$ is injective (in fact, an isomorphism).

Proof: 1.6, Chap 4 in EC. \square

Corollary: If R is strictly Henselian, then $\text{Br}(R) = 0$.

Corollary: If R is Henselian, A is Az/ R , then \exists a finite étale $R \rightarrow R'$ of local algebras s.t. $A \otimes_R R' \cong M_n(R')$.

Schemes

Let X be a noetherian scheme. An \mathcal{O}_X -algebra A is assumed to be locally free of finite rank as an \mathcal{O}_X -module (not always true obviously). Assume also A_x is Azumaya over $\mathcal{O}_{X,x}$ for all closed $x \in X$. Note this assumption implies A_p is Azumaya for all $p \in X$.

Prop: Let A be an \mathcal{O}_X -algebra, which is coherent. Then TFAE:

- 1) A is Az/ X ,
- 2) A is locally free of finite rank over \mathcal{O}_X , and $A_x \otimes_{\mathcal{O}_{X,x}} k(x)$ is CSA/ $k(x)$ for all $x \in X$.
- 3) A is locally free as an \mathcal{O}_X -module, and $A \otimes_{\mathcal{O}_X}^{\mathbb{L}} A^{\text{op}} \xrightarrow{\sim} \text{End}_{\mathcal{O}_X\text{-mod}} A$.
- 4) \exists a covering $(U_i \rightarrow X)$ in Et/X , s.t. $\forall i, \exists r_i$, & an iso: $A \otimes_{\mathcal{O}_X} \mathcal{O}_{U_i} \cong M_{r_i}(\mathcal{O}_{U_i})$.
- 5) same as (4) in the flat topology.

So A is a "family" of CSA's over X , and is locally a matrix algebra. If $X = \text{Spec } R$, then an Azumaya algebra over $X \leftrightarrow$ f.g. projective R -module A with $A \otimes_R A^{\text{op}} \xrightarrow{\sim} \text{End}_R(A)$.

Def: We say $A + A'$ are equivalent if there are locally free \mathcal{O}_X -modules of finite rank E, E' s.t. $A \otimes_{\mathcal{O}_X} \text{End}(E) \cong A' \otimes_{\mathcal{O}_X} \text{End}(E')$. Equivalence classes form an associative & commutative monoid via $[A] \cdot [A'] = [A \otimes A']$, and defines a group $[A \otimes A^{\text{op}}] = [\text{End}(A)]$, the Brauer group of X , $\text{Br}(X)$.

We aim to give a cohomological description of this. Recall $\text{Br}(k) = \text{Br}(\text{Spec } k) \cong H^2(\text{Gal}_k, k_s^*)$, but this is just $H_{\text{ét}}^2(\text{Spec } k, G_m)$. So we hope $\text{Br}(X) = H_{\text{ét}}^2(X, G_m)$. Note $\text{Br}(-)$ is a contra. functor.

Prop: Let A be Az/ X . Let ϕ be an automorphism of A as an \mathcal{O}_X -algebra. Then ϕ is inner, locally in the Zariski topology. That is, there is a Zariski-cover $\{U_i\}$ s.t. $\phi|_{U_i}: A|_{U_i} \cong$ w/ $a \mapsto uau^{-1}$, $u \in \Gamma(U_i, A)^*$.

$$a \mapsto u_x a u_x^{-1}$$

Proof: $\phi_x: A_x \rightarrow A_x$ is inner by Skolem-Noether. Let $x \in U = \text{Spec } R$ open. Then $u_x \in A_x = A(U) \otimes_R R_x$, can be written $\sum a_i r_i^{-1}$, $r_i \in R$. Replace R by $R[\{r_i^{-1}\}]$, so $\exists u \in A(\text{Spec } R[\{r_i^{-1}\}])$ which lifts u_x , and is still a unit. Now on $V \subset U$, we want to compare $\phi(a) - u a u^{-1}$, and since this holds at x , shrink until it holds on the open set again. \square

Def: A sheaf PGL_n on $X_{\text{ét}}$ is defined as $\text{PGL}_n(U) = \text{Aut}_{\Gamma(U, \mathcal{O}_U)}(M_n(\Gamma(U, \mathcal{O}_U)))$.

Hence we get $1 \rightarrow G_m \rightarrow GL_n \rightarrow \text{PGL}_n \rightarrow 1$ Skolem-Noether for sheaves.
 $g \mapsto (M \mapsto g M g^{-1})$.

Fact: PGL_n is representable by a group scheme.

Assume X is quasi-proj. over $\text{Spec } R$.

Cor: Have a short exact seq. of pointed sets $1 \rightarrow \check{H}^0(X_{\text{ét}}, G_m) \rightarrow \check{H}^0(G_m) \rightarrow \check{H}^0(\text{PGL}_n) \rightarrow \check{H}^1(G_m) \rightarrow \check{H}^1(G_m) \rightarrow \check{H}^1(\text{PGL}_n) \rightarrow \check{H}^2(G_m)$. (can't go further).

Thm: There is a natural (functorial) injection $\text{Br}(X) \hookrightarrow H^2(X_{\text{ét}}, G_m)$.

Proof: 2.5 in EC.

Cor: X regular, integral, g compact. Then $\text{Br}(X) \subset \text{Br}(K(X))$.

Prop: The image of $H^1(X, \text{PGL}_n) \rightarrow H^2(X, G_m)$ is contained in the n -torsion subgroup. As a corollary, $\text{Br}(X)$ is a torsion group.

Proof:

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\downarrow	\downarrow		
$1 \rightarrow \mu_n \rightarrow G_m \xrightarrow{x^n} G_m \rightarrow 1$			
\downarrow	\downarrow	\parallel	
$1 \rightarrow \text{SL}_n \rightarrow \text{GL}_n \xrightarrow{\det} G_m \rightarrow 1$		\parallel	
\downarrow	\downarrow		
$\text{PGL}_n = \text{PGL}_n$			
\downarrow	\downarrow		
1	1		

} \Rightarrow

$H^1(\text{PGL}_n) \rightarrow H^1(G_m)$	
\parallel	\uparrow commutes
$H^1(\text{PGL}_n) \rightarrow H^2(\mu_n)$	\longleftarrow Torsion.

There is a normal singular surface $/\mathbb{C}$ s.t. $H^2(X_{\text{ét}}, G_m)$ is not torsion. So in general $\text{Br}(X) \neq H^2(X, G_m)$.

Q: Is $\text{Br}(X) \rightarrow H^2(X, G_m)_{\text{tor}}$ surj for g compact X ? } Still open?
 • Is $\text{Br}(X) \rightarrow H^2(X, G_m)$ surj for regular X ?

Conjecture (Artin): Let X be proper $/\text{Spec } \mathbb{Z}$. Then $|\text{Br}(X)| < \infty$.

For example, $X = \text{Spec } \mathbb{Z}$. Then $\text{Br}(X) = 0$. If $X = \text{sm. proj. curve}/\mathbb{F}_q$, then $\text{Br}(X) = 0$. Still open for surfaces.

The Topological Case

Let (X, \mathcal{O}_X) be a ringed space, with \mathcal{O}_X the sheaf of cont. \mathbb{C} -valued functions on X . We can define an Azumaya alg. by a locally free \mathcal{O}_X -mod. of fin. rank s.t. $\forall p \in X$, the vector fiber is a matrix algebra. The same construction of the Brauer group goes through.

By considering the exponential sequence:

Prop: $\text{Br}(X) \subset H^3(X, \mathbb{Z})_{\text{tor}}$.

Thm (Serre): If X is a finite CW-complex, then $\sigma: \text{Br}(X) \rightarrow H^3(X, \mathbb{Z})_{\text{tor}}$ is an iso.

Tate's Conjecture

Take an abelian group M , λ a prime number. Define

$$M_\lambda = \text{Ker}(M \xrightarrow{\lambda} M),$$

$$M_{\lambda^n} = \text{Ker}(M \xrightarrow{\lambda^n} M),$$

and $M(\lambda) = \bigcup M_{\lambda^n}$, the λ -torsion part of M . Consider:

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc} M & \xrightarrow{\lambda} & M & \longrightarrow & M/\lambda & \longrightarrow & 0 \\ & \searrow \lambda^2 & \downarrow \lambda & & \downarrow \lambda & & \\ & & M & \longrightarrow & M/\lambda^2 & \longrightarrow & 0 \\ & \searrow \lambda^3 & \downarrow \lambda & & \downarrow \lambda & & \\ & & M & \longrightarrow & M/\lambda^3 & \longrightarrow & 0 \end{array}$$

Claim: $M/\lambda^n = M \otimes_{\mathbb{Z}} \mathbb{Z}/\lambda^n$, $\varprojlim M/\lambda^n = M \otimes_{\mathbb{Z}} (\mathbb{Q}/\mathbb{Z})_\lambda$.

Def: The Tate module of M , $T_\lambda(M)$ is the inverse limit of $\dots \rightarrow M_{\lambda^3} \xrightarrow{\lambda} M_{\lambda^2} \xrightarrow{\lambda} M_{\lambda} \rightarrow 0$.

Def: An λ -torsion abelian group $M = M(\lambda)$ is of cofinite rank if M_λ is finite. Equivalently: $M \cong (\mathbb{Q}_\lambda/\mathbb{Z}_\lambda)^\tau \times \text{fin. } \lambda\text{-group}$.

Note this implies $T_\lambda(M)$ is a fin. free module of rank τ , and $T_\lambda(M) = 0$ if M is finite.

Picard Variety

$\text{Pic} X$ is a contravariant functor in X , is it representable by a scheme? Over \mathbb{C} , we have the exponential sequence (for smooth X): $0 \rightarrow \mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathcal{O}_X \rightarrow \mathcal{O}_X^* \rightarrow 0$, and in cohomology, applying the Hodge decomposition: $H^1(X, \mathbb{Z})/\text{torsion}$ is a maximal lattice in $H^1(X, \mathbb{C})$. Hence the quotient is a torus, called a complex Abelian variety. This group is denoted $\text{Pic}^0(X)$.

If X is sm. proj. / $k = \bar{k}$, we get the same sequence $0 \rightarrow \text{Pic}^0(X) \rightarrow \text{Pic}(X) \rightarrow \mathcal{N}S(X) \rightarrow 0$, and $\text{Pic}^0(X)$ is again an abelian variety, and is λ -divisible if $\lambda \neq \text{char } k$. If $k = \mathbb{F}_q$, then $\text{Pic}(X)$ is f.g.

Note the slogan: " $\text{Br}(X)$ parametrizes nonalgebraic cohomology classes in $H^2(X)$ ". Indeed the Kummer sequence gives $0 \rightarrow \text{Pic}(X)/\lambda^n \rightarrow H^2(\mu_{\lambda^n}) \rightarrow H^2(G_m)_{\lambda^n} \rightarrow 0$, and taking the inverse limit:

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc} 0 & \rightarrow & \varprojlim \text{Pic}(X)/\lambda^n & \rightarrow & \varprojlim H^2(\mu_{\lambda^n}) & \rightarrow & T_\lambda(H^2(G_m)) \rightarrow 0 \\ & & \text{"} & & \text{"} & & \text{"} \\ & & \text{Pic}(X) \otimes_{\mathbb{Z}} \mathbb{Z}_\lambda & & H^2(X, T_\lambda(\mu)) & & T_\lambda(\text{Br}(X)) \end{array}$$

Some work w/ \bar{X} gives:

Conj: $cl_{\bar{X}}: \text{Pic}(X) \otimes \mathbb{Q}_\lambda \xrightarrow{\sim} H^2(\bar{X}, \mathbb{Q}_\lambda(1))^{\text{Gal}(k)}$.

Thm (Artin, Tate): Let X be sm. proj. / \mathbb{F}_q . Then Tate's conjecture for $X \iff \bigoplus_{\lambda \neq p} \text{Br}(X)(\lambda)$, $q = p^n$, is finite.