

## Rational sections and Chern classes of vector bundles\*

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Let  $\mathcal{E}$  be a quasi-coherent sheaf, of finite type, on an integral prescheme  $X$ , and denote by  $\mathbf{V}(\mathcal{E})$ ,  $\mathbf{P}(\mathcal{E})$  the vector and projective fibres of  $\mathcal{E}$  respectively. Then each non-zero rational section  $\omega$  of  $\mathbf{V}(\mathcal{E})$  over  $X$  defines a rational section  $\bar{\omega}$  of  $\mathbf{P}(\mathcal{E})$  over  $X$  (section 2), and we can construct a closed subscheme  $\langle \omega \rangle$  of  $X$  whose points are the non-regular points of  $\bar{\omega}$  (Prop. 5). Denote by  $[\omega]$  the  $X$ -prescheme obtained by blowing up centered at  $\langle \omega \rangle$ . On the other hand we can construct a quasi-coherent fractional Ideal  $\mathcal{O}_X(\omega)$  of the sheaf of rational functions  $\mathcal{R}(X)$  of  $X$  which is invertible when  $X$  is *UFD* (Cor. of Prop. 4) and which corresponds to the Cartier divisor of the rational section  $\omega$ .

In this note, we shall prove some relations between these schemes or sheaves (Th. 1.2). In the case that  $X$  is a non-singular quasi-projective algebraic scheme, they give an explicit formula of Chern classes of vector bundles of rank 2 (Cor. of Th. 2'). And, as a special case, if  $X$  is a surface and  $\mathbf{V}(\mathcal{E})$  is the bundles of simple differentials, then our formula proves that the Severi-series of  $X$  coincides with the second Chern class  $c_2(X)$  of  $X$  (last Remark).

**1. Rational maps and rational functions** (EGA. I. 7) Let  $X$  and  $Y$  be  $S$ -preschemes, and  $\mathfrak{U}_X$  the set of dense open subsets of  $X$ ; then the family of sets of  $S$ -morphisms  $(\text{Hom}_S(U, Y))_{U \in \mathfrak{U}_X}$

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forms an inductive system (with natural restriction of morphisms), and each element of the set  $\text{Rat}_S(X, Y) = \lim_{\substack{\longrightarrow \\ U \in \mathcal{U}_X}} \text{Hom}_S(U, Y)$  is called a *rational map* from  $X$  to  $Y$  over  $S$  (or a *rational S-map* from  $X$  to  $Y$ ). We shall call the rational S-maps from  $S$  to  $X$  the *rational sections* of S-prescheme  $X$ :  $\text{Rat}_S(S, X) = \Gamma_{\text{rat}}(X/S)$ . Let  $\mathcal{F}$  be a sheaf (of sets) on a prescheme  $X$ , for each open subset  $U$  of  $X$ , put  $\Gamma_{\text{rat}}(U, \mathcal{F}) = \lim_{\substack{\longrightarrow \\ V \in \mathcal{U}_U}} \Gamma(V, \mathcal{F})$ ; each element of  $\Gamma_{\text{rat}}(U, \mathcal{F})$  is called a *rational section* of  $\mathcal{F}$  on  $U$ . It is easy to see that, for two open subsets  $U$  and  $V$  of  $X$ , if  $V \subset U$  and  $V$  is dense in  $U$ , then  $\Gamma_{\text{rat}}(U, \mathcal{F}) = \Gamma_{\text{rat}}(V, \mathcal{F})$ , and that, if  $U$  is irreducible, then  $\Gamma_{\text{rat}}(U, \mathcal{F})$  is nothing but the stalk at the generic point  $x$  of  $U$ . In case of  $\mathcal{F} = \mathcal{O}_X$ , the structure sheaf of  $X$ , the rational sections of  $\mathcal{O}_X$  on  $U$  are called the *rational functions* of  $X$  on  $U$ , and we denote  $R(U) = \Gamma_{\text{rat}}(U, \mathcal{O}_X)$ . The sheaf associated with the presheaf  $U \rightsquigarrow R(U)$  is called the *sheaf of rational functions* on  $X$  and we denote it  $\mathcal{R}(X)$ . The canonical map  $\Gamma(U, \mathcal{O}_X) \rightarrow R(U)$  defines the canonical homomorphism  $\iota: \mathcal{O}_X \rightarrow \mathcal{R}(X)$ , and, by means of it,  $\mathcal{R}(X)$  is considered as an  $\mathcal{O}_X$ -Algebra.

Let  $\mathcal{F}$  be an  $\mathcal{O}_X$ -Module,  $U$  a dense open subset of  $X$  and  $f: \mathcal{F}|_U \rightarrow \mathcal{O}_X|_U$  an  $(\mathcal{O}_X|_U)$ -homomorphism. Then, for each open subset  $W$  of  $X$ , consider the following  $\Gamma(W, \mathcal{O}_X)$ -homomorphism obtained as the composition map:

$$(1) \quad \bar{f}(W) : \Gamma(W, \mathcal{F}) \xrightarrow{\text{rest.}} \Gamma(W \cap U, \mathcal{F}) \xrightarrow{f(W \cap U)} \Gamma(W \cap U, \mathcal{O}_X) \\ \xrightarrow{\iota(W \cap U)} \Gamma(W \cap U, \mathcal{R}(X)) \xrightarrow{(\text{rest.})^{-1}} \Gamma(W, \mathcal{R}(X))$$

(note that  $W \cap U$  is dense in  $W$ , hence the restriction  $\Gamma(W, \mathcal{R}(X)) \rightarrow \Gamma(W \cap U, \mathcal{R}(X))$  is an isomorphism). Obviously  $f(W)$  commutes with the restriction maps of the sections of  $\mathcal{F}$  and  $\mathcal{R}(X)$ , hence the collection  $(\bar{f}(W))_{W \subset X}$  gives an  $\mathcal{O}_X$ -homomorphism  $\bar{f}: \mathcal{F} \rightarrow \mathcal{R}(X)$ , and, thus, we get a map

$$\alpha_U : \text{Hom}_{\mathcal{O}_X|_U}(\mathcal{F}|_U, \mathcal{O}_X|_U) = \Gamma(U, \check{\mathcal{F}}) \rightarrow \text{Hom}_{\mathcal{O}_X}(\mathcal{F}, \mathcal{R}(X)),$$

( $\check{\mathcal{F}} = \mathcal{H}om_{\mathcal{O}_X}(\mathcal{F}, \mathcal{O}_X)$ , the dual of the  $\mathcal{O}_X$ -Module  $\mathcal{F}$ ). Moreover, it is clear that  $\alpha_U$  is a  $\Gamma(U, \mathcal{O}_X)$ -homomorphism and commutes with the restriction map  $\alpha_V^U: \Gamma(U, \check{\mathcal{F}}) \rightarrow \Gamma(V, \check{\mathcal{F}})$  ( $U, V \in \mathcal{U}_X, U \supset V$ ):  $\alpha_U = \alpha_V \circ \alpha_V^U$ . Therefore, passing to the inductive limit, we have the canonical  $\Gamma(X, \mathcal{R}(X))$ -homomorphism

$$\alpha: \Gamma_{\text{rat}}(X, \check{\mathcal{F}}) \rightarrow \text{Hom}_{\mathcal{O}_X}(\mathcal{F}, \mathcal{R}(X)).$$

The following proposition is well known (EGA. I. 7. 3).

**Proposition 1.** *Let  $X$  be an integral (i.e. reduced and irreducible) prescheme. Then, (i)  $\mathcal{R}(X)$  is a quasi-coherent  $\mathcal{O}_X$ -Module, (ii)  $\mathcal{R}(X)$  is a constant sheaf, hence  $\Gamma(U, \mathcal{R}(X)) = R(U) = R(X)$ , for each open subset  $U$  of  $X$ , (iii) the canonical homomorphism  $\iota: \mathcal{O}_X \rightarrow \mathcal{R}(X)$  is injective, (iv), for each point  $x$  of  $X$ ,  $\mathcal{R}(X)_x = R(X)$  is the quotient field of  $\mathcal{O}_{X,x}$ , and at the generic point  $\bar{x}$ ,  $\mathcal{R}(X)_{\bar{x}} = R(X) = \mathcal{O}_{X,\bar{x}}$ , and (v), for any quasi-coherent  $\mathcal{O}_X$ -Module  $\mathcal{F}$ ,  $\mathcal{F} \otimes_{\mathcal{O}_X} \mathcal{R}(X) = R(X)^{(1)}$  (direct sum).*

**Corollary.** *If  $X$  is integral, then, for each  $\mathcal{O}_X$ -Module  $\mathcal{F}$  of finite type, the canonical homomorphism  $\alpha: \Gamma_{\text{rat}}(X, \check{\mathcal{F}}) \rightarrow \text{Hom}_{\mathcal{O}_X}(\mathcal{F}, \mathcal{R}(X))$  is injective. Moreover, if  $\mathcal{F}$  is quasi-coherent, then  $\alpha$  is an isomorphism.*

*Proof*) Since  $X$  is irreducible,  $\Gamma_{\text{rat}}(X, \check{\mathcal{F}}) = \check{\mathcal{F}}_{\bar{x}} = \text{Hom}_{\mathcal{O}_{X,\bar{x}}}(\mathcal{F}_{\bar{x}}, \mathcal{O}_{X,\bar{x}})$ , where  $\bar{x}$  is the generic point of  $X$ . Since  $\mathcal{R}(X)_{\bar{x}} = \mathcal{O}_{X,\bar{x}}$  (Prop. 1 (iv)), by the definition of  $\alpha$ , it is easy to check that the composition map

$$\Gamma_{\text{rat}}(X, \check{\mathcal{F}}) = \check{\mathcal{F}}_{\bar{x}} \xrightarrow{\alpha} \text{Hom}_{\mathcal{O}_X}(\mathcal{F}, \mathcal{R}(X)) \longrightarrow \text{Hom}_{\mathcal{O}_{X,\bar{x}}}(\mathcal{F}_{\bar{x}}, \mathcal{R}(X)_{\bar{x}}) = \check{\mathcal{F}}_{\bar{x}}$$

is the identity map, where the last arrow is the map which corresponds each sheaf homomorphism  $f$  to its restriction  $f_{\bar{x}}$  at the generic point  $\bar{x}$ . Hence  $\alpha$  is injective. Moreover, assume that  $\mathcal{F}$  is quasi-coherent. When that is so, in order to prove that  $\alpha$  is surjective, it is sufficient to prove that the last arrow is injective, i.e., for  $f \in \text{Hom}_{\mathcal{O}_X}(\mathcal{F}, \mathcal{R}(X))$ ,  $f_{\bar{x}} = 0$  implies  $f = 0$ . To show this, we may

assume  $X$  to be affine. Let  $X = \text{Spec}(A)$ ,  $\mathcal{F} = \tilde{M}$ ,  $M$  is an  $A$ -module; then  $A$  is integral and  $\mathcal{R}(X)$  is the sheaf associated with the quotient field  $K$  of  $A$ , and  $f: \mathcal{F} \rightarrow \mathcal{R}(X)$  corresponds to an  $A$ -homomorphism  $\varphi: M \rightarrow K$ . But, by tensoring  $K$ ,  $\varphi$  can be decomposed into  $M \xrightarrow{u} M \otimes_A K \xrightarrow{v = \varphi \otimes 1} K$  and  $v$  is exactly the same to  $f_x: \mathcal{F}_x \rightarrow \mathcal{O}_{X,x} = K$ , hence,  $f_x = v = 0$  implies  $\varphi = v \cdot u = 0$ .

**2. Rational sections of vector- and projective fibres.**

Let  $\mathcal{E}$  be a quasi-coherent  $\mathcal{O}_X$ -Module of finite type and denote by  $\mathbf{S}(\mathcal{E})$  the symmetric  $\mathcal{O}_X$ -Algebra of  $\mathcal{E}$  (EGA. II. 1. 7. 4). And put  $\mathbf{V}(\mathcal{E}) = \text{Spec}(\mathbf{S}(\mathcal{E}))$  (resp.  $\mathbf{P}(\mathcal{E}) = \text{Proj}(\mathbf{S}(\mathcal{E}))$ ):  $\mathbf{V}(\mathcal{E})$  (resp.  $\mathbf{P}(\mathcal{E})$ ) is called the *vector* (resp. *projective*) *fibre* over  $X$  defined by  $\mathcal{E}$  (EGA. II. 1. 7. 8, 4. 1. 1).

**Proposition 2.** *Let  $X$  be a prescheme. For each quasi-coherent  $\mathcal{O}_X$ -Module  $\mathcal{E}$  of finite type, (i) we have a canonical isomorphism*

$$\Gamma_{\text{rat}}(\mathbf{V}(\mathcal{E})/X) \simeq \Gamma_{\text{rat}}(X, \check{\mathcal{E}}),$$

and moreover (ii), if  $X$  is integral, the canonical homomorphism  $\iota: \check{\mathcal{E}} \rightarrow \check{\mathcal{E}} \otimes_{\mathcal{O}_X} \mathcal{R}(X)$  induces a canonical isomorphism

$$\bar{\iota}: \Gamma_{\text{rat}}(X, \check{\mathcal{E}}) \simeq \Gamma(X, \check{\mathcal{E}} \otimes_{\mathcal{O}_X} \mathcal{R}(X)).$$

*Proof*) (i)  $\Gamma_{\text{rat}}(\mathbf{V}(\mathcal{E})/X) = \varinjlim \text{Hom}_x(U, V(\mathcal{E})) \cong \varinjlim \text{Hom}_{\mathcal{O}_X|U}(\mathcal{E}|U, \mathcal{O}_X|U) = \Gamma_{\text{rat}}(X, \check{\mathcal{E}})$  (EGA. II. 1. 7. 8, 1. 7. 9). (ii) Assume  $X$  to be integral. Since  $\mathcal{E} \otimes_{\mathcal{O}_X} \mathcal{R}(X)$  is a constant sheaf (Prop. 1.(v)), for any pair of open subsets  $U, V$  of  $X$  such that  $U \supset V$ , we get a commutative diagram:

$$(2) \quad \begin{array}{ccc} \Gamma(U, \check{\mathcal{E}}) \xrightarrow{\iota(U)} \Gamma(U, \check{\mathcal{E}} \otimes \mathcal{R}(X)) & \begin{array}{c} \xrightarrow{\simeq} \\ \xleftarrow{\simeq} \end{array} & \Gamma(X, \check{\mathcal{E}} \otimes \mathcal{R}(X)) \\ \downarrow \quad \downarrow & \begin{array}{c} \iota(V) \\ \downarrow \end{array} & \\ \Gamma(V, \check{\mathcal{E}}) \xrightarrow{\iota(V)} \Gamma(V, \check{\mathcal{E}} \otimes \mathcal{R}(X)) & & \end{array}$$

Passing to the direct limit, this defines our  $\bar{\iota}$ . Consider the following canonical  $\mathcal{R}(X)$ -homomorphism

$$\beta: \check{\mathcal{E}} \otimes_{\mathcal{O}_X} \mathcal{R}(X) = \mathcal{H}om_{\mathcal{O}_X}(\mathcal{E}, \mathcal{O}_X) \otimes_{\mathcal{O}_X} \mathcal{R}(X) \rightarrow \mathcal{H}om_{\mathcal{O}_X}(\mathcal{E}, \mathcal{R}(X)),$$

obtained by tensoring  $\mathcal{R}(X)$  to the natural  $\mathcal{O}_X$ -homomorphism  $\check{\mathcal{E}} =$

$\mathcal{H}om_{\mathcal{O}_X}(\mathcal{E}, \mathcal{O}_X) \rightarrow \mathcal{H}om_{\mathcal{O}_X}(\mathcal{E}, \mathcal{R}(X))$ . Taking the global sections, we get an  $\mathcal{R}(X)$ -homomorphism

$$\beta(X) : \Gamma(X, \check{\mathcal{E}} \otimes_{\mathcal{O}_X} \mathcal{R}(X)) \rightarrow \text{Hom}_{\mathcal{O}_X}(\mathcal{E}, \mathcal{R}(X)).$$

It is easy to see that  $\alpha = \beta \cdot \tau$ , where  $\alpha$  is the canonical homomorphism defined in the section 1. In our case  $\alpha$  is an isomorphism (Cor. of Prop. 1), hence  $\tau$  is injective. Moreover  $\tau$  is surjective; in fact, for any  $s \in \Gamma(X, \check{\mathcal{E}} \otimes \mathcal{R}(X))$ , at the generic point  $x$ ,  $s_x \in (\check{\mathcal{E}} \otimes \mathcal{R}(X))_x = \check{\mathcal{E}}_x$ , hence there exist an opuset  $U$  and an  $(\mathcal{O}_X|U)$ -homomorphism  $t : \mathcal{E}|U \rightarrow \mathcal{O}_X|U$  such that  $t \cdot \iota(U) = (s|U)$  in  $\Gamma(U, \check{\mathcal{E}} \otimes \mathcal{R}(X))$ . Q. E. D.

*Remark.* In the above proof, we may replace  $X$  by any open subset  $U$  of  $X$ , hence  $\beta(U) : \Gamma(U, \check{\mathcal{E}} \otimes \mathcal{R}(X)) \rightarrow \Gamma(U, \mathcal{H}om_{\mathcal{O}_X}(\mathcal{E}, \mathcal{R}(X)))$  is a  $\Gamma(U, \mathcal{R}(X))$ -isomorphism. Therefore we have the following

**Corollary.** *For any quasi-coherent  $\mathcal{O}_X$ -Module  $\mathcal{E}$ , of finite type, on a integral prescheme  $X$ , we have a canonical  $\mathcal{R}(X)$ -isomorphism*

$$\beta : \check{\mathcal{E}} \otimes_{\mathcal{O}_X} \mathcal{R}(X) \simeq \mathcal{H}om_{\mathcal{O}_X}(\mathcal{E}, \mathcal{R}(X)).$$

3. Now we shall give some fundamental notions and notations needed for our study. From now on, we shall assume the base prescheme  $X$  to be integral. Let  $\mathcal{E}$  be a quasi-coherent  $\mathcal{O}_X$ -Module of finite type; then, by Cor. of Prop. 1 and Prop. 2, we have canonical isomorphisms

$$\Gamma_{\text{rat}}(\mathbf{V}(\mathcal{E})/X) \simeq \mathcal{H}om_{\mathcal{O}_X}(\mathcal{E}, \mathcal{R}(X)) \simeq \Gamma(X, \check{\mathcal{E}} \otimes_{\mathcal{O}_X} \mathcal{R}(X)).$$

For each rational section  $\omega \in \Gamma_{\text{rat}}(\mathbf{V}(\mathcal{E})/X)$ , we denote by  $\omega_1^*$  and  $\omega_2^*$  the images of  $\omega$  under these isomorphisms in  $\text{Hom}_{\mathcal{O}_X}(\mathcal{E}, \mathcal{R}(X))$  and in  $\Gamma(X, \check{\mathcal{E}} \otimes \mathcal{R}(X))$ , respectively. Now fix a rational section  $\omega \in \Gamma_{\text{rat}}(\mathbf{V}(\mathcal{E})/X)$ . Then, the  $\mathcal{O}_X$ -homomorphism of  $\mathcal{O}_X$ -Modules  $\omega_1^* : \mathcal{E} \rightarrow \mathcal{R}(X)$  can be uniquely extended to a homomorphism of graded  $\mathcal{O}_X$ -Algebras (of homogeneous degree 0)

$$\omega^* : \mathbf{S}(\mathcal{E}) \rightarrow \mathcal{R}(X)[T] = \mathcal{R}(X) \otimes_{\mathbf{Z}} \mathbf{Z}[T].$$

Put  $I(\omega) = \text{Image of } \omega_1^*$  and  $J(\omega) = \text{Kernel of } \omega^*$ ; then  $I(\omega)$  is a quasi-coherent fractional Ideal of  $\mathcal{R}(X)$ , and *Image of*  $\omega^* \cong \bigoplus_{n \geq 0} I(\omega)^n$ .  $J(\omega) = \bigoplus_{n \geq 0} J_n(\omega)$  is a quasi-coherent homogeneous of  $\mathbf{S}(\mathcal{E})$ , and it is generated by the component of degree 1:  $J(\omega) = J_1(\omega) \cdot \mathbf{S}(\mathcal{E})$ .

Thus, we have exact sequences

$$(3) \quad 0 \rightarrow J(\omega) \rightarrow \mathbf{S}(\mathcal{E}) \rightarrow \bigoplus_{n \geq 0} I(\omega)^n \rightarrow 0,$$

and

$$(3') \quad 0 \rightarrow J_1(\omega) \rightarrow \mathcal{E} \rightarrow I(\omega) \rightarrow 0.$$

Put  $[\omega] = \text{Proj} \bigoplus_{n \geq 0} (I(\omega)^n)$ ; then  $[\omega]$  is a closed subscheme of  $\mathbf{P}(\mathcal{E}) = \text{Proj}(\mathbf{S}(\mathcal{E}))$ ;  $[\omega] \xrightarrow{i} \mathbf{P}(\mathcal{E})$ , and it is the  $X$ -prescheme obtained by blowing up the fractional Ideal  $I(\omega)$  of  $\mathcal{R}(X)$  (EGA. II. 8. 1. 3), and the canonical projection  $[\omega] \xrightarrow{i} \mathbf{P}(\mathcal{E}) \xrightarrow{\pi} X$  is birational (EGA. II. 8. 1. 4). Note that  $[\omega]$  is not empty if and only if  $\omega_1^* \neq 0$ , i. e.,  $\omega \neq 0$ .

If  $\omega \neq 0$ , there exists an open subset  $U$  of  $X$  such that  $\omega^*$  induces a homomorphism  $\mathbf{S}(\mathcal{E})|_U \rightarrow (\mathcal{O}_X|_U)[T]$  (take a defining homomorphism  $\mathcal{E}|_U \rightarrow \mathcal{O}_X|_U$  of  $\omega_1^*$  (Cor. of Prop. 1) and extend it to  $\mathbf{S}(\mathcal{E}|_U) = \mathbf{S}(\mathcal{E})|_U \rightarrow (\mathcal{O}_X|_U)[T]$ ). This gives a *rational* map  $U = \text{Proj}((\mathcal{O}_X|_U)[T]) \rightarrow \text{Proj}(\mathbf{S}(\mathcal{E})|_U) \rightarrow \mathbf{P}(\mathcal{E})$  (cf. EGA. II. 2. 8. 1), hence a rational map

$$\bar{\omega}: X \rightarrow \mathbf{P}(\mathcal{E}).$$

By the definition of rational maps and the fact that  $X$  is integral, this does not depend on the choice of  $U$ . And, since  $\omega^*$  is an  $\mathcal{O}_X$ -homomorphism, the rational map  $\bar{\omega}$  is a rational section of the projective fibre  $\mathbf{P}(\mathcal{E})/X$ , and, obviously, it can be decomposed into  $X \rightarrow [\omega] \xrightarrow{i} \mathbf{P}(\mathcal{E})$ .  $\bar{\omega}$  is called the *induced section* of  $\omega$  to the projective fibre  $\mathbf{P}(\mathcal{E})/X$ , and  $[\omega]$  is called the *image* of  $\bar{\omega}$  or the projective image of  $\omega$ . Hence we get a correspondence

$$- : [\Gamma_{\text{rat}}(\mathbf{V}(\mathcal{E})/X)] - \{0\} \rightarrow \Gamma_{\text{rat}}(\mathbf{P}(\mathcal{E})/X).$$

**Proposition 3.** *Let  $\bar{\omega}_0: U \rightarrow \mathbf{P}(\mathcal{E})$  be an  $X$ -morphism which*

represents  $\bar{\omega}$ , then the closure of the image  $\bar{\omega}_0(U)$  in  $\mathbf{P}(E)$  coincides with  $[\omega]$ .

*Proof*) Since  $\pi \cdot i: [\omega] \rightarrow X$  is birational,  $\bar{\omega}_0: U \rightarrow [\omega]$  is also birational, hence the closure of  $\bar{\omega}_0(U)$  in  $\mathbf{P}(\mathcal{E}) =$  the closure of  $\bar{\omega}_0(U)$  in  $[\omega] = [\omega]$ . Q. E. D.

To each open subset  $U$  of  $X$ , associate a subset  $\mathcal{G}(U)$  of  $\Gamma(U, \mathcal{R}(X)) = R(X)$  consisting of the rational functions  $f$  such that  $f \cdot \Gamma(U, I(\omega)) \subset \Gamma(U, \mathcal{O}_x)$ . This correspondence  $U$  to  $\mathcal{G}(U)$  gives, with natural restrictions, a presheaf  $\mathcal{G}$  of sub- $\mathcal{O}_X$ -modules of  $\mathcal{R}(X)$ . The sheaf associated with  $\mathcal{G}$  is called the sheaf of  $\omega$  and denoted by  $\mathcal{O}_X(\omega)$ .

**Proposition 4.** (i) The presheaf  $\mathcal{G}$  is a sheaf, i. e.,  $\mathcal{G} = \mathcal{O}_X(\omega)$ .  
 (ii) For each open subset  $U$  of  $X$ ,  $\mathcal{G}(U) = \Gamma(U, \mathcal{O}_X(\omega))$  coincides with the set of rational functions  $f \in R(X)$  such that  $f \cdot (\omega_2^*|U) \in \text{Image of } (\Gamma(U, \check{\mathcal{E}}) \rightarrow \Gamma(U, \check{\mathcal{E}} \otimes \mathcal{R}(X)))$ .

*Proof*) (i) Easy. (ii) By the isomorphism  $\beta: \check{\mathcal{E}} \otimes \mathcal{R}(X) \simeq \mathcal{H}om(\mathcal{E}, \mathcal{R}(X))$  (Cor. of Prop. 2),  $f \cdot (\omega_2^*|U)$  corresponds to  $f \cdot (\omega_1^*|U)$ , hence, by the commutative diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \check{\mathcal{E}} & \xlongequal{\quad} & \mathcal{H}om_{\mathcal{O}_X}(\mathcal{E}, \mathcal{O}_X) \\ \downarrow & \searrow \beta & \downarrow \\ \check{\mathcal{E}} \otimes_{\mathcal{O}_X} \mathcal{R}(X) & \xrightarrow{\quad} & \mathcal{H}om_{\mathcal{O}_X}(\mathcal{E}, \mathcal{R}(X)), \end{array}$$

it is easy to see that  $f(\omega_2^*|U) \in \text{Im}[\Gamma(U, \check{\mathcal{E}}) \rightarrow \Gamma(U, \check{\mathcal{E}} \otimes \mathcal{R}(X))]$  if and only if  $\text{Im}[f \cdot (\omega_1^*|U)] \subset \mathcal{O}_x|U$ . On the other hand  $\text{Im}[f \cdot (\omega_1^*|U)] = f \cdot \text{Im}(\omega_1^*|U) = f \cdot (I(\omega)|U)$ . This proves (ii). Q. E. D.

**Corollary.** If, for each point  $x$  of  $X$ ,  $\mathcal{O}_{x,x}$  is an unique factrization domain (in this case, we shall say that  $X$  is UFD), then  $\mathcal{O}_X(\omega)$  is an invertible sheaf on  $X$ .

*Proof*) Let  $x$  be a point of  $X$ . Then

$$\mathcal{O}_X(\omega)_x = \{f \in R(X) \text{ such that } f \cdot I(\omega)_x \subset \mathcal{O}_{x,x}\}.$$

Let  $a_i \in R(X)$  ( $i = 1, \dots, r$ ) be a set of generators of  $I(\omega)_x$  over  $\mathcal{O}_{x,x}$ .

Since  $R(X)$  is the quotient field of  $\mathcal{O}_{x,x}$  and  $\mathcal{O}_{x,x}$  is an unique factorization domain, we may write  $a_i = gc_i$  such that  $g \in R(X)$ ,  $c_i \in \mathcal{O}_{x,x}$  and  $c_i$ 's have no common factors in  $\mathcal{O}_{x,x}$ . Then, for  $f \in R(X)$ ,  $f$  is in  $\mathcal{O}_x(\omega)_x$  if and only if  $f \cdot g \cdot c_i$  is in  $\mathcal{O}_{x,x}$  for every  $i$ . This proves that  $\mathcal{O}_x(\omega)_x = (1/g)\mathcal{O}_{x,x} \cong \mathcal{O}_{x,x}$ . Hence,  $\mathcal{O}_x(\omega)$  is invertible. Q. E. D.

*Remark.* The fractional invertible Ideal  $\mathcal{O}_x(\omega)$  of  $\mathcal{R}(X)$  defines a Carrier divisor  $(\omega)$  on  $X$ , and  $g$  (of the above proof) is its local equation at  $x$  (cf. [7]). This  $(\omega)$  is called the *divisor of the rational section  $\omega$* .

From now on we shall assume that our integral prescheme  $X$  is UFD. By definition,  $\mathcal{O}_x(\omega)I(\omega) (\subset \mathcal{O}_x)$  is an quasi-coherent Ideal of  $\mathcal{O}_x$ , we denote it  $\bar{I}(\omega) = \mathcal{O}_x(\omega)I(\omega)$ . Then, since  $\mathcal{O}_x(\omega)$  is invertible, we have a canonical isomorphism of  $X$ -preschemes (EGA. II. 3. 1. 8)

$$g: [\omega]_1 = \text{Proj}(\bigoplus_{n \geq 0} \bar{I}(\omega)^n) \xrightarrow{\sim} [\omega] = \text{Proj}(\bigoplus_{n \geq 0} I(\omega)^n),$$

and (EGA. II. 3. 2. 10)

$$(4) \quad g_* (\mathcal{O}_{[\omega]_1}(n)) \cong \mathcal{O}_{[\omega]}(n) \otimes_{\mathcal{O}_X} \mathcal{O}_x(\omega)^n.$$

By means of  $g$ , we shall identify  $[\omega]_1$  and  $[\omega]$ . Moreover, we shall denote by  $\langle \omega \rangle$  the closed sub-prescheme of  $X$  defined by the quasi-coherent Ideal  $\bar{I}(\omega)$  of  $\mathcal{O}_X$  ( $\mathcal{O}_{\langle \omega \rangle} = \mathcal{O}_X / \bar{I}(\omega)$ ), then  $[\omega] = [\omega]_1$  is the  $X$ -prescheme obtained by the blowing up centered at  $\langle \omega \rangle$ .

**4. Some results.** We shall give here some relations among the sheaves and preschemes defined in the above section.

**Proposition 5.** *The underlying space of the closed sub-prescheme  $\langle \omega \rangle$  of  $X$  is the set of points of  $X$  at which the rational section  $\bar{\omega}$  is not defined, i.e.,  $X - \langle \omega \rangle$  is the domain of definition of  $\bar{\omega}^{(1)}$ .*

*Proof)* Since the question is local, we may assume that  $X =$

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(1) We shall say that a rational map  $f: X \rightarrow Y$  is defined at  $x \in X$ , if there exist an open nbd.  $U$  of  $x$  and a morphism  $f_0: U \rightarrow Y$  which represents  $f$ , and the set of points of  $X$  at which  $f$  is defined is called the domain of definition of  $f$ .



$\text{Spec}(A)$  is affine and that  $\mathcal{E} = \widetilde{E}$  is generated by its global section  $E$  which is of finite type over  $A$ . Let  $e_1, \dots, e_n$  be a set of generators of  $E$  over  $A$  and put  $\alpha_i = \omega_1^*(e_i) \in R(X)$  ( $\omega_1^*: E \rightarrow R(X)$ ). Let  $x$  be a point of  $X$  and  $\mathfrak{p}$  the corresponding prime ideal of  $A$ ; and write  $\alpha_i = g \cdot a_i$  where  $g \in R(X)$ ,  $a_i \in A$  and  $a_i$ 's have no common divisors in  $A_{\mathfrak{p}} = \mathcal{O}_{x,x}$ . Consider the following commutative diagram:

$$\begin{array}{ccc} E & \xrightarrow{\omega_1^*} & R(X) \\ \tau_1^* \downarrow & \nearrow \text{multiplication by } g, & \\ A & & \end{array}$$

where  $\tau_1^*$  is the  $A$ -homomorphism defined by  $\tau_1^*(e_i) = a_i$ . It can be extended to the following commutative diagram of graded  $A$ -algebras:

$$\begin{array}{ccc} S_A(E) & \xrightarrow{\omega^*} & A[g \cdot T] \subset R(X)[T] \\ \tau^* \downarrow & \nearrow & \\ A[T] & & \mu^* \end{array}$$

and, passing to the associated projective fibres, we get the following:

$$\begin{array}{ccc} P(E) = \text{Proj}(S_A(E)) & \xleftarrow{\bar{\omega}} & \text{Proj}(A[g \cdot T]) \\ \tau \downarrow & \swarrow \mu & \\ \text{Proj}(A[T])_{\mu} & & \end{array}$$

where  $\bar{\omega}, \tau$  are rational maps. While  $\text{Proj}(A[T])$  and  $\text{Proj}(A[g \cdot T])$  can be canonically identified with  $X$ , and, by means of this identification,  $\mu$  is the identity morphism of  $X$  (EGA. II. 3. 1. 7 and 3. 1. 8). Hence  $\tau = \bar{\omega}$ , in this sense. Now, since  $I(\omega)_x = \mathcal{O}_x(\omega)_x = \sum_i a_i \mathcal{O}_{x,x}$  (Cf. Proof of Cor. of Prop. 4), we see that

$$\begin{aligned} x \in \langle \omega \rangle \Leftrightarrow \bar{I}(\omega)_x \neq \mathcal{O}_{x,x} &\Leftrightarrow \text{all } a_i \text{'s in } \mathfrak{p} \Leftrightarrow (\tau_1^*)^{-1}\mathfrak{p} = E \\ \Leftrightarrow \tau = \bar{\omega} \text{ is not defined at } x. & \qquad \text{Q. E. D.} \end{aligned}$$

The prescheme structure of  $\langle \omega \rangle$  (i. e., the sheaf  $\mathcal{O}_{\langle \omega \rangle}$ ) may involve more detailed nature of the singular part of the rational section  $\omega$  (or  $\bar{\omega}$ ). The following two theorems will tell us some of these aspects.

**Theorem 1.** *The Ideal  $I(\omega) \cdot \mathcal{O}_{[\omega]}$  of the closed sub-prescheme*

$i^{-1}\pi^{-1}\langle\omega\rangle = [\omega] \times_x \langle\omega\rangle$  in  $\mathcal{O}_{[\omega]}$  is isomorphic to the  $\mathcal{O}_{[\omega]}$ -Module  $i^*(\mathcal{O}_{\mathbf{P}(\mathcal{E})}(1) \otimes_{\mathcal{O}_{\mathbf{P}(\mathcal{E})}} \pi^* \mathcal{O}_X(\omega)) = (\mathcal{O}_{\mathbf{P}(\mathcal{E})}(1) \otimes_{\mathcal{O}_X} \mathcal{O}_X(\omega)) | [\omega]$ , i. e., we get an exact sequence of  $\mathcal{O}_{\mathbf{P}(\mathcal{E})}$ -Modules

$$(5) \quad 0 \rightarrow i^*(\mathcal{O}_{\mathbf{P}(\mathcal{E})}(1) \otimes_{\mathcal{O}_{\mathbf{P}(\mathcal{E})}} \pi^* \mathcal{O}_X(\omega)) \rightarrow \mathcal{O}_{[\omega]} \rightarrow i^* \pi^* \mathcal{O}_{\langle\omega\rangle} \rightarrow 0.$$

*Proof)* We have an exact sequence (EGA. II. 8. 1. 8)

$$0 \rightarrow \mathcal{O}_{[\omega]_1}(1) \rightarrow \mathcal{O}_{[\omega]_1}^* \rightarrow \mathcal{O}_{[\omega]_1 \times X \langle\omega\rangle} \rightarrow 0.$$

By this and the isomorphism (4), we get our assertion. Q. E. D.

**Proposition 6.** *If  $\mathcal{E}$  is locally free of rank 2, then  $J_1(\omega)$  is an invertible  $\mathcal{O}_X$ -Module and  $\overline{J(\omega)}$  (the Ideal of  $[\omega]$  in  $\mathcal{O}_{\mathbf{P}(\mathcal{E})}$ ) is also an invertible  $\mathcal{O}_{\mathbf{P}(\mathcal{E})}$ -Module.*

*Proof)* At any point  $x$  of  $X$ , we have an exact sequence

$$0 \rightarrow J_1(\omega)_x \rightarrow \mathcal{E}_x \xrightarrow{\omega_1^*} I(\omega)_x \rightarrow 0.$$

Take a basis  $(e_1, e_2)$  of  $\mathcal{E}_x$  over  $\mathcal{O}_{X,x}$ , and put  $\alpha_i = \omega_1^*(e_i)$  ( $i=1, 2$ ); then, if we write  $\alpha_i = g \cdot a_i$  as in the proof of Cor. of Prop. 4, we get the following commutative diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc} 0 & \rightarrow & a_1 a_2 \mathcal{O}_x & \xrightarrow{\lambda} & \mathcal{O}_x \oplus \mathcal{O}_x & \xrightarrow{\mu} & a_1 \mathcal{O}_x + a_2 \mathcal{O}_x \rightarrow 0 \\ & & & & \downarrow f & & \downarrow h \\ 0 & \rightarrow & J_1(\omega)_x & \rightarrow & \mathcal{E}_x & \rightarrow & I(\omega)_x \rightarrow 0, \end{array}$$

where  $\lambda(a_1 a_2 c) = (a_2 c, -a_1 c)$ ,  $\mu(c, d) = a_1 c + a_2 c$ ,  $f(c, d) = c \cdot e_1 + d \cdot e_2$  and  $h(a_1 c + a_2 d) = g \cdot (a_1 c + a_2 d)$ . And it is easy to see that the upper horizontal sequence is exact, hence  $J_1(\omega)_x \cong a_1 a_2 \mathcal{O}_x \cong \mathcal{O}_x$ , i. e.,  $J_1(\omega)$  is invertible. Moreover, since  $J(\omega) = J_1(\omega) \cdot \mathcal{S}(\mathcal{E})$ ,  $\overline{J(\omega)} = J_1(\omega) \mathcal{O}_{\mathbf{P}(\mathcal{E})}$ . This proves that  $\overline{J(\omega)}$  is invertible. Q. E. D.

*Remark.* When  $\mathcal{E}$  is locally free of rank 2, by the above proposition, we may regard  $[\omega]$  as a Cartier divisor on  $\mathbf{P}(\mathcal{E})$ , and  $\overline{J(\omega)} = \mathcal{O}_{\mathbf{P}(\mathcal{E})}(-[\omega])$ , the invertible  $\mathcal{O}_{\mathbf{P}(\mathcal{E})}$ -Module corresponding to the Cartier divisor  $-[\omega]$ .

**Theorem 2.** *When  $\mathcal{E}$  is locally free of rank 2,*

$$J_1(\omega) \otimes_{\mathcal{O}_X} A^2 \check{\mathcal{E}} \cong \mathcal{O}_X(\omega) \quad (\omega \neq 0).$$

*Proof*) Take an open covering  $(U_\alpha)_{\alpha \in I}$  of  $X$  such that  $\mathcal{E}|_{U_\alpha} \xleftarrow{\varphi_\alpha} \mathcal{O}_X^2|_{U_\alpha}$ , for each  $\alpha \in I$ . Let  $t^\alpha = (t_1^\alpha, t_2^\alpha)$  be the basis of  $\mathcal{E}|_{U_\alpha}$  over  $\mathcal{O}_X|_{U_\alpha}$ , determined by  $\varphi_\alpha$ , and  $\tau^\alpha = (\tau_1^\alpha, \tau_2^\alpha)$  the dual basis of  $\check{\mathcal{E}}|_{U_\alpha}$  of  $t^\alpha$ , then  $\tau_1^\alpha \wedge \tau_2^\alpha$  is a basis of  $\wedge^2 \check{\mathcal{E}}|_{U_\alpha}$ . When that is so, the homomorphism  $\omega_1^* : \mathcal{E} \rightarrow \mathcal{R}(X)$  can be expressed, locally on  $U_\alpha$ , as

$$\omega_1^* = A_1^\alpha \cdot \tau_1^\alpha + A_2^\alpha \cdot \tau_2^\alpha, \quad A_i^\alpha \in \Gamma(U_\alpha, \mathcal{R}(X)) = R(X).$$

Note that,  $\omega \neq 0$  (i. e.,  $\omega_1^* \neq 0$ ) implies  $A_i^\alpha \neq 0$  for  $i=1$  or  $2$ , and that, for  $e = \sum b_i^\alpha \cdot t_i^\alpha \in \Gamma(U_\alpha, \mathcal{E})$ ,  $e \in \Gamma(U_\alpha, J_1(\omega))$  if and only if  $\sum A_i^\alpha \cdot b_i^\alpha = 0$ . Consider the map

$$(J_1(\omega) \otimes_{\mathcal{O}_X} \wedge^2 \mathcal{E})|_{U_\alpha} \rightarrow \mathcal{R}(X)|_{U_\alpha}$$

given by the correspondence

$$(b_1^\alpha \cdot t_1^\alpha + b_2^\alpha \cdot t_2^\alpha) \otimes c^\alpha \tau_1^\alpha \wedge \tau_2^\alpha \rightsquigarrow b_1^\alpha c^\alpha / A_2^\alpha = -b_2^\alpha c^\alpha / A_1^\alpha = k^\alpha.$$

At any point  $x$  of  $U_\alpha$ , let  $A_i^\alpha = g \cdot a_i$ ,  $g \in R(X)$ ,  $a_i \in \mathcal{O}_x$  such that  $a_1$  and  $a_2$  are relatively prime to each other in  $\mathcal{O}_x$ . Then  $a_1 \cdot b_1 + a_2 \cdot b_2 = 0$ , hence  $b_1/a_2 = -b_2/a_1$  is in  $\mathcal{O}_x$ . Therefore  $k^\alpha$  is an element of  $(1/g) \cdot \mathcal{O}_x = \mathcal{O}_X(\omega)_x$  (cf. the proof of Cor. of Prop. 4). This means that the above map induces an  $(\mathcal{O}_X|_{U_\alpha})$ -homomorphism

$$\phi_\alpha : (J_1(\omega) \otimes_{\mathcal{O}_X} \wedge^2 \check{\mathcal{E}})|_{U_\alpha} \rightarrow \mathcal{O}_X(\omega)|_{U_\alpha},$$

and it is easy to see that this is an isomorphism. If  $G^{\alpha\beta} = (G_{ij}^{\alpha\beta})$  are the transition matrices of  $\mathcal{E}$  (with respect to  $\varphi_\alpha$ ), then  $(G^{\alpha\beta})^{-1} = G^{\beta\alpha}$  and  $\det(G^{\alpha\beta})^{-1} = \det(G^{\beta\alpha})$  are the transition matrices and functions of  $\check{\mathcal{E}}$  and  $\wedge^2 \check{\mathcal{E}}$ , respectively. Hence,

$$c^\alpha = \det(G^{\beta\alpha}) \cdot c^\beta, \quad b_1^\alpha = G_{11}^{\alpha\beta} \cdot b_1^\beta + G_{12}^{\alpha\beta} \cdot b_2^\beta,$$

and

$$A_2^\alpha = \det(G^{\beta\alpha}) \cdot (-G_{12}^{\alpha\beta} \cdot A_1^\beta + G_{11}^{\alpha\beta} \cdot A_2^\beta),$$

therefore, by easy calculation, we get the identity  $k^\alpha = k^\beta$ . This shows that the  $\phi_\alpha$ 's can be patched together and give a global isomorphism

$$\phi : J_1(\omega) \otimes \wedge^2 \check{\mathcal{E}} \xrightarrow{\sim} \mathcal{O}_X(\omega). \quad \text{Q. E. D.}$$

**Corollary.** *Under the same assumptions in Th. 2,*

$$\mathcal{O}_{\mathbf{P}(\mathcal{E})}([\omega]) \cong \mathcal{O}_{\mathbf{P}(\mathcal{E})}(1) \otimes_{\mathcal{O}_X} \wedge^2 \mathcal{E} \otimes_{\mathcal{O}_X} \mathcal{O}_X(\omega)^{-1}$$

(cf. Remark of Cor. of Prop. 6).

*Proof*) Since  $J(\omega) = J_1(\omega) \cdot \mathbf{S}(\mathcal{E}) \cong J_1(\omega) \otimes_{\mathcal{O}_X} \mathbf{S}(\mathcal{E})(-1)$ , we get, by Th. 2, an isomorphism

$$J(\omega) \otimes_{\mathcal{O}_X} \wedge^2 \check{\mathcal{E}} \cong \mathbf{S}(\mathcal{E})(-1) \otimes_{\mathcal{O}_X} \mathcal{O}_X(\omega).$$

Hence, passing to the associated sheaves on  $\mathbf{P}(\mathcal{E})$ , we get an isomorphism

$$\overline{J(\omega)} \otimes_{\mathcal{O}_X} \wedge^2 \check{\mathcal{E}} \cong \mathcal{O}_{\mathbf{P}(\mathcal{E})}(-1) \otimes_{\mathcal{O}_X} \mathcal{O}_X(\omega).$$

On the other hand  $\overline{J(\omega)} = \mathcal{O}_{\mathbf{P}(\mathcal{E})}([\omega])^{-1}$ , therefore, combining these two isomorphisms, we get our assertion. Q. E. D.

**5. The case of algebraic schemes.** Let  $X$  be an algebraic scheme over an algebraically closed field  $k$ . We denote, for each non-negative integer  $p$ , by  $X^p$  the set of points  $x$  of  $X$  such that  $\text{codim}_x X = \dim \mathcal{O}_{x,x} = p$ , and by  $Z^p(X)$  the free abelian group generated by the irreducible closed subsets  $\overline{\{x\}}$  of  $X$ , where  $x$  are in  $X^p$ , and we shall say each element of  $Z^p(X)$  a *cycle on  $X$  of codimension  $p$* .

Let  $\mathcal{C}^p(X)$  ( $p \geq 0$ ) be the abelian category of coherent  $\mathcal{O}_X$ -Modules whose supports are of codimension  $\geq p$ , and

$$\gamma_p: \mathcal{C}^p(X) \rightarrow K^p(X)$$

the universal solution in the category of abelian groups satisfying the following axiom (i. e., the Grothendieck group of  $\mathcal{C}^p(X)$ ):

(Additivity) If  $0 \rightarrow \mathcal{F}' \rightarrow \mathcal{F} \rightarrow \mathcal{F}'' \rightarrow 0$  is exact in  $\mathcal{C}^p(X)$ , then  $\gamma_p(\mathcal{F}) = \gamma_p(\mathcal{F}') + \gamma_p(\mathcal{F}'')$ .

The immersion  $\mathcal{C}^p(X) \rightarrow \mathcal{C}^q(X)$  (for  $p \geq q$ ) determines a canonical homomorphism  $K^p(X) \rightarrow K^q(X)$ . By means of this homomorphism, we shall consider that every element of  $K^p(X)$  lies on  $K^q(X)$ , especially on  $K^0(X) = K(X)$ . Defining the product by

$$\gamma(\mathcal{F}) \cdot \gamma(\mathcal{G}) = \Sigma_{p \geq 0} (-1)^p \gamma(\mathcal{I}or^{\mathcal{O}_X p}(\mathcal{F}, \mathcal{G})), \quad \mathcal{F}, \mathcal{G} \in \text{Ob} \mathcal{C}^0(X),$$

$K^0(X) = K(X)$  has a ring structure (cf. Borel-Serre[1]).

For any  $\mathcal{F} \in \text{Ob} \mathcal{C}^p(X)$ , put

$$z_p(\mathcal{F}) = \sum_{x \in X^p} \text{length}_{\mathcal{O}_x}(\mathcal{F}_x) \cdot \overline{\{x\}} \in Z^p(X),$$

and call it the *cycle of codimension  $p$  associated to  $\mathcal{F}$*  (cf. Serre [8]). Since the map  $z_p: \mathcal{C}^p(X) \rightarrow Z^p(X)$  is clearly additive, it defines a group homomorphism  $z_p: K^p(X) \rightarrow Z^p(X)$  such that  $z_p(\gamma_p(\mathcal{F})) = z_p(\mathcal{F})$ . We denote, for any closed subscheme  $Y$  of  $X$ ,  $z_p(\mathcal{O}_Y) = Y_p$  ( $p \leq \text{codim } Y$ ), it is easy to show that, if  $Y$  is reduced and irreducible of codimension  $p$ ,  $z_p(\mathcal{O}_Y) = Y_p = Y$ , i. e., the underlying space of  $Y$  with multiplicity 1. Moreover, if  $X$  is regular (i. e., non-singular), the Cartier divisors on  $X$  are identified to the elements of  $Z^1(X)$  (i. e., the Weil divisors), hence we have a bijective canonical correspondence between  $Z^1(X)$  and the set of invertible sub- $\mathcal{O}_X$ -Modules of  $\mathcal{R}(X)$  ( $D \rightsquigarrow \mathcal{O}_X(D)$ ), and it is easy to see that, for any positive divisor  $D \in Z^1(X)$ ,  $z_1(\mathcal{O}_D) = D_1 = D$ , where  $\mathcal{O}_D = \mathcal{O}_X / \mathcal{O}_X(-D)$  (Cf. Mumford. [7]). The following theorem has been proved by Serre which is very usefull for our study.

**Serre's Intersection Theory** (Serre [8], Prop. 1 of V, c.).  
*Assume the algebraic scheme  $X$  to be regular. For elements  $\xi \in K^p(X)$  and  $\eta \in K^q(X)$  such that  $\xi, \eta \in K^{p+q}(X)$ , the cycles  $z_p(\xi)$  and  $z_q(\eta)$  intersect properly to each other and*

$$z_{p+q}(\xi \cdot \eta) = X_p(\xi) \cdot z_q(\eta) \quad (\text{the intersection product in usual sense}).$$

**Lemma 1.** *Assume  $X$  to be regular. For closed subscheme  $Y$  of  $X$  and any divisor  $D$  on  $X$ , if we have an exact sequence of coherent  $\mathcal{O}_X$ -Modules*

$$(6) \quad 0 \rightarrow \mathcal{O}_X(-D) \otimes_{\mathcal{O}_X} \mathcal{O}_Y \rightarrow \mathcal{O}_Y \rightarrow \mathcal{G} \rightarrow 0$$

*then there exists a divisor  $D' \in Z^1(X)$ , linearly equivalent to  $D$ , such that the intersection product  $D' \cdot Y_p$  is defined and, for any  $p \leq \text{codim}_X Y$ ,*

$$z_{p+1}(\mathcal{G}) = D' \cdot Y_p.$$

*Proof)* Take a  $D' \in Z^1(X)$  which is linearly equivalent to  $D$

and intersets properly with  $\text{Supp}(Y)$ . Let  $D' = E_1 - E_2, E_i > 0$  and they have no common components. Then, since exact sequences

$$0 \rightarrow \mathcal{O}_X(-E_i) \rightarrow \mathcal{O}_X \rightarrow \mathcal{O}_{E_i} \rightarrow 0 \quad (i=1, 2)$$

are locally free resolution of  $\mathcal{O}_{E_i}$ , we get

$$0 \rightarrow \mathcal{T}or_1^{\mathcal{O}_X}(\mathcal{O}_{E_i}, \mathcal{O}_Y) \rightarrow \mathcal{O}_X(-E_i) \otimes_{\mathcal{O}_X} \mathcal{O}_Y \rightarrow \mathcal{O}_Y \rightarrow \mathcal{O}_{E_i} \otimes_{\mathcal{O}_X} \mathcal{O}_Y \rightarrow 0 \text{ (exact)}$$

and  $\mathcal{T}or_p^{\mathcal{O}_X}(\mathcal{O}_{E_i}, \mathcal{O}_Y) = 0$ , if  $p \geq 2$ .

Since  $E_i$  intersect properly with  $\text{Supp}(Y)$  and  $\text{Supp}(\mathcal{O}_{E_i} \otimes \mathcal{O}_Y) \subset \text{Supp}(\mathcal{O}_{E_i}) \cap \text{Supp}(\mathcal{O}_Y)$ , we have  $\text{codim. Supp}(\mathcal{O}_{E_i} \otimes \mathcal{O}_Y) \geq \text{codim. Supp}(\mathcal{O}_Y) - 1$ . Hence, by Serre's intersection theory, the intersection product  $z_1(\mathcal{O}_{E_i}) \cdot z_p(\mathcal{O}_Y) = E_i \cdot Y_p$  is defined and is equal to

$$\begin{aligned} z_{p+1}(\mathcal{O}_{E_i} \otimes \mathcal{O}_Y) - z_{p+1}(\mathcal{T}or_1^{\mathcal{O}_X}(\mathcal{O}_{E_i}, \mathcal{O}_Y)) \\ = z_{p+1}(\mathcal{O}_Y) - z_{p+1}(\mathcal{O}_X(-E_i) \otimes \mathcal{O}_Y). \end{aligned}$$

Therefore

$$\begin{aligned} D' \cdot Y_p = E_1 \cdot Y_p - E_2 \cdot Y_p = z_{p+1}(\mathcal{O}_X(-E_2) \otimes \mathcal{O}_Y) \\ - z_{p+1}(\mathcal{O}_X(-E) \otimes \mathcal{O}_Y), \end{aligned}$$

while  $\mathcal{O}_X(-D) \cong \mathcal{O}_X(-D') \cong \mathcal{O}_X(-E_1) \otimes \mathcal{O}_X(E_2)$ , hence, by tensoring  $\mathcal{O}_X(-E_2)$  to the exact sequence (6), we get an exact sequence

$$0 \rightarrow \mathcal{O}_X(-E_1) \otimes \mathcal{O}_Y \rightarrow \mathcal{O}_X(-E_2) \otimes \mathcal{O}_Y \rightarrow \mathcal{O}_X(-E_2) \otimes \mathcal{G} \rightarrow 0,$$

and, taking  $z_{p+1}$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} z_{p+1}(\mathcal{O}_X(-E_2) \otimes \mathcal{O}_Y) - z_{p+1}(\mathcal{O}_X(-E_1) \otimes \mathcal{O}_Y) \\ = z_{p+1}(\mathcal{O}_X(-E_2) \otimes \mathcal{G}) = z_{p+1}(\mathcal{G}). \end{aligned}$$

Thus we get the proof.

Q. E. D.

Now we shall apply this result to Th. 1.

**Theorem 1'.** *Let  $X$  be a regular algebraic scheme,  $\mathcal{E}$  a locally free  $\mathcal{O}_X$ -Module of rank  $p+1$  and  $H$  a divisor on  $\mathbf{P}(\mathcal{E})$  such that  $\mathcal{O}_{\mathbf{P}(\mathcal{E})}(H) \cong \mathcal{O}_{\mathbf{P}(\mathcal{E})}(1)$ . Then, for any non-zero rational section  $\omega \in \Gamma_{\text{rat}}(\mathbf{V}(\mathcal{E})/X)$ , there exists a divisor  $D$  on  $\mathbf{P}(\mathcal{E})$  such that it is linearly equivalent to  $H + \pi^{-1}(\omega)$  and that the intersection product  $D \cdot z_p(\mathcal{O}_{[\omega]}) = D \cdot [\omega]_p$  is defined and is equal to*

$-z_{p+1}(\mathcal{O}_i - i^{-1}\pi^{-1}\langle\omega\rangle) = -(i^{-1}\pi^{-1}\langle\omega\rangle)_{p+1}$ , i. e., in the Chow ring  $A(\mathbf{P}(\mathcal{E}))$  of  $\mathbf{P}(\mathcal{E})$  (if  $X$  is quasi-projective, cf. [2]),

$$(i^{-1}\pi^{-1}\langle\omega\rangle)_{p+1} = (-H - \pi^*(\omega)) \cdot [\omega]_p.$$

Moreover, if  $\mathcal{E}$  is of rank 2,

$$\begin{aligned} (\pi^{-1}\langle\omega\rangle)_2 &= -D \cdot [\omega], \text{ i.e., } (\pi^{-1}\langle\omega\rangle)_2 \\ &= (-H - \pi^{-1}(\omega)) \cdot [\omega] \text{ in } A(\mathbf{P}(\mathcal{E})). \end{aligned}$$

*Proof*) Note that,  $\mathbf{P}(\mathcal{E})$  is also a regular algebraic scheme and that the projection  $\pi: \mathbf{P}(\mathcal{E}) \rightarrow X$  is flat; then it is easy to see that  $z_p(\pi^*\mathcal{O}_x(\omega)) = \pi^{-1}(\omega)$ . Then the first part is straightly obtained applying Lemma 1 to the exact sequence (5). The second part is an immediate consequence of the following lemma.

**Lemma 2.** *Under the same assumption in Th. 1', if  $\mathcal{E}$  is of rank 2,*

- (i) *codim. Supp*  $(\mathcal{O}_{\langle\omega\rangle}) \geq 2$ , and (ii)  $i^*\pi^*\mathcal{O}_{\langle\omega\rangle} \cong \pi^*\mathcal{O}_{\langle\omega\rangle}$ .

*Proof*) (i) For any point  $x$  of  $X$ ,  $\bar{I}(\omega)_x$  is generated by relatively prime two elements of  $\mathcal{O}_x$ , hence  $\dim \mathcal{O}_{\langle\omega\rangle, x} = \dim(\mathcal{O}_x/\bar{I}(\omega)_x) \leq \dim \mathcal{O}_x - 2$ . This proves (i).

(ii) Since  $i^*\pi^*\mathcal{O}_{\langle\omega\rangle} = \mathcal{O}_{\mathbf{P}(\mathcal{E})}/\bar{I}(\omega) \cdot \mathcal{O}_{\mathbf{P}(\mathcal{E})} \otimes_{\mathcal{O}_{[w]}}$ , in order to get our assertion, it is sufficient to prove that

$$\begin{aligned} J(\omega)(\mathbf{S}(\mathcal{E})/\bar{I}(\omega) \cdot \mathbf{S}(\mathcal{E})) &= (J(\omega) + \bar{I}(\omega) \cdot \mathbf{S}(\mathcal{E}))/\bar{I}(\omega) \cdot \mathbf{S}(\mathcal{E}) = 0, \\ \text{i. e., } J(\omega) &\subset \bar{I}(\omega) \cdot \mathbf{S}(\mathcal{E}). \end{aligned}$$

At any point  $x$  of  $X$ , any element  $e \in J_1(\omega)_x$  is expressed as

$$e = b_1t_1 + b_2t_2, b_i \in \mathcal{O}_x, \text{ such that } b_1a_1 + b_2a_2 = 0$$

(with the notations used in the proof of Th. 2). Since  $\bar{I}(\omega)_x = a_1\mathcal{O}_x + a_2\mathcal{O}_x$  and  $a_1$  and  $a_2$  are relatively prime to each other,

$$e\mathbf{S}_{m-1}(\mathcal{E}) \subset b_1\mathbf{S}_m(\mathcal{E}) + b_2\mathbf{S}_m(\mathcal{E}) \subset a_1\mathbf{S}_m(\mathcal{E}) + a_2\mathbf{S}_m(\mathcal{E}) = \bar{I}(\omega)_x\mathbf{S}_m(\mathcal{E}).$$

This proves  $J_1(\omega) \cdot \mathbf{S}_{m-1}(\mathcal{E}) \subset \bar{I}(\omega)\mathbf{S}_m(\mathcal{E})$ , i. e.,  $I(\omega) = J_1(\omega)\mathbf{S}(\mathcal{E}) \subset \bar{I}(\omega)\mathbf{S}(\mathcal{E})$ .

Q. E. D.

In the algebraic scheme case, Cor. of Th. 2 also can be translated as follows

**Theorem 2'.** *Under the same assumptions in Th. 1', if  $\mathcal{E}$  is of rank 2, the divisor  $[\omega]$  is linearly equivalent to the divisor  $H + \pi^{-1}K - \pi^{-1}(\omega)$ , where  $K$  is a divisor on  $X$  such that  $\mathcal{O}_X(K) \cong \wedge^2 \check{\mathcal{E}}$ .*

**Corollary.** *Under the same assumptions in Th. 2', if  $X$  is quasi-projective, for any locally free  $\mathcal{O}_X$ -Module  $\mathcal{E}$  of rank 2, the first Chern class  $c_1(\mathcal{E})$  of  $\mathcal{E}$  is equal to  $cl_X(\wedge^2 \mathcal{E})$ , and the second Chern class  $c_2(\mathcal{E})$  of  $\mathcal{E}$  is equal to  $\langle \omega \rangle - c_1(\mathcal{E}) \cdot (\omega) - (\omega)^2$ , where  $\omega$  is non-zero rational section of the vector fibre  $V(\mathcal{E})/X$  (The Chern classes are in the sense of Grothendieck, cf. [4], [5]).*

*Proof)* Combine the results of Th. 1' and 2', we get an equality in the Chow-ring of  $\mathbf{P}(\mathcal{E})$

$$H^2 + \pi^*K \cdot H + \pi^*(\langle \omega \rangle + (\omega) \cdot K - (\omega)^2) = 0.$$

This identity shows, by the definition (cf. [4], [5]), that

$$\begin{aligned} c_1(\mathcal{E}) &= -c_1(\check{\mathcal{E}}) = -K = -cl_X(\wedge^2 \check{\mathcal{E}}) = cl_X(\wedge^2 \mathcal{E}), \text{ and} \\ c_2(\mathcal{E}) &= c_2(\mathcal{E}) = \langle \omega \rangle + (\omega) \cdot K - (\omega)^2 \\ &= \langle \omega \rangle - (\omega) \cdot c_1(\mathcal{E}) - (\omega)^2. \end{aligned} \quad \text{Q. E. D.}$$

*Remark.* We shall now apply the result to the case of surfaces. Let  $X = F$  be a non-singular projective surface and  $\mathcal{E} = \mathcal{I}_F = \mathcal{H}om_{\mathcal{O}_F}(\mathcal{Q}_F^1, \mathcal{O}_F)$  the tangential sheaf on  $F$ . Then, for any linear differential form  $\omega$  on  $F$  (i.e., an element of  $\Gamma(F, \mathcal{Q}_F^1 \otimes \mathcal{R}(F))$ ), we can express it, at any point  $x$  of  $F$ , as  $\omega = h(f \cdot dt_1 + g \cdot dt_2)$  ( $t$ 's are local parameters at  $x$ ) where  $h, f$  and  $g$  are rational functions on  $F$  such that  $f$  and  $g$  are regular at  $x$  and are relatively prime in  $\mathcal{O}_{F,x}$ . Denote by  $m_x$  the intersection multiplicity of the divisors  $(f)$  and  $(g)$  at  $x$ , and put  $\langle \omega \rangle = \sum_x m_x \cdot x$ ; then the 0-cycle  $\langle \omega \rangle$  is just the same thing of ours. And the second Chern class

$$c_2(\mathcal{I}_F) = c_2(F) = \langle \omega \rangle + (\omega) \cdot K - (\omega)^2$$



( $K = cl(\wedge^2 \check{\mathcal{I}}_F) = cl(\mathcal{O}_F^2)$  = the canonical divisor class on  $F$ ) is called the Severi-series which has been defined by F. Severi in [9], and used by J. Igusa, in [6], in order to prove the in-equality  $B_2 \geq \rho$  where  $B_2$  is the second Betti number of the surface  $F$  and  $\rho$  is the Picard number of  $F^{2\}$ .

### Appendix

Let  $V \xrightarrow{\pi} \text{Spec}(k)$  be a non-singular projective algebraic variety of dimension  $n$  and  $\mathcal{O}_V^p = \wedge^p \mathcal{O}_V^1$  the sheaf of germs of holomorphic  $p$ -forms on  $V$ . Then we get

$$c_n(V) = \sum_{p,q} (-1)^{p+q} h^{p,q}, \quad h^{p,q} = \dim_k H^q(V, \mathcal{O}_V^p).$$

In fact, let

$$c_t(V) = \sum_{i=1}^n c_i t^i = \sum_{i=0}^n (-1)^i c_i(\mathcal{O}_V^1) t^i = \prod_{i=1}^n (1 + \alpha_i t)$$

be the Chern polynomial of  $V$ . Then we have

$$c_t(\mathcal{O}_V^p) = \sum_{i=0}^n c_i(\mathcal{O}_V^p) t^i = \sum_{1 \leq i_1 < i_2 < \dots < i_p \leq n} (1 - (\alpha_{i_1} + \alpha_{i_2} + \dots + \alpha_{i_p}) t)$$

(cf. [5]). Hence

$$ch(\mathcal{O}_V^p) = \sum_{1 \leq i_1 < i_2 < \dots < i_p \leq n} \exp(-\alpha_{i_1} - \alpha_{i_2} - \dots - \alpha_{i_p}).$$

Applying this result to the theorem of Riemann-roch ([1])

we get

$$\begin{aligned} \chi(V, \mathcal{O}_V^p) &= \pi_*(ch(\mathcal{O}_V^p) \cdot T(V)) \\ &= \pi_*(\sum \exp(-\alpha_{i_1} - \alpha_{i_2} - \dots - \alpha_{i_p}) \cdot \prod (\alpha_i / (1 - \exp(-\alpha_i)))) \\ \text{(put)} &= T_n^p(c_1, c_2, \dots, c_n). \end{aligned}$$

Therefore, the polynomial

$$\sum_{p=0}^n \chi(V, \mathcal{O}_V^p) y^p = \sum_{p=0}^n T_n^p(c_1, \dots, c_n) y^p (= T_n(c_1, \dots, c_n))$$

is the  $n$ -th term of the "m-Folge" belonging to the power series

$$Q(y, x) = x(y+1)/(1 - \exp(-x(y+1)))$$

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2) Igusa defined  $B_2$  by the classical fact  $\sum (-1)^i B_i = c_2(F)$ . On the other hand we can show  $c_2(F) = \sum (-1)^{p+q} h^{p,q}(F)$  by means of the Riemann-Roch theorem of Grothendieck ([1]) (see Appendix).

(cf. [10] p. 16, note that  $\pi_*(\ ) = \kappa_n[\ ]$ ).

This proves that

$$\begin{aligned} c_n &= \sum_{p=0}^n (-1)^p T_n^p(c_1, \dots, c_n) = \Sigma(-1)^p \chi(V, \mathcal{O}_V^p) \\ &= \sum_{p, q=0}^n (-1)^{p+q} h^{p,q}. \end{aligned}$$

(cf. *ibid.* the formula (16) of Chap. 1, sect. 8, p. 17).

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