

Obviously f takes every value except a_0 .

We don't need the argument above.

By P217, since $\deg f^*(p') = n = \sum_{q \in f^{-1}(p')} v(q)$, for any $p' \in \mathbb{P}^1$,

if we choose $p' = \infty = [(1, 0)] \in \mathbb{P}^1$,

$\deg f^*(p') = 1 \Rightarrow$ This implies that \exists no branch point in $S \Rightarrow f$ is a covering map from S to $\mathbb{P}^1 \Rightarrow$ Since f is a map of degree 1, f is one to one, and f is isomorphism. \square

Next, we consider curves of genus 1. The full story on these curves will not be available to us until the next section; for the time being we will start by proving that any compact Riemann surface S of genus 1 can be realized as a nonsingular cubic curve in \mathbb{P}^2 .

The proposition is easy to prove: we know that $\deg K_S = 0$, and so, by the embedding theorem, for any $p \in S$ the complete linear system of the line bundle $L = [3p]$ gives an embedding of S as a cubic curve in \mathbb{P}^N where $N = h^0(S, \mathcal{O}(L)) - 1 \geq 2$.

$$\Gamma \quad \begin{array}{ccc} \iota_L: S & \longrightarrow & \mathbb{P}^N \\ \downarrow & & \downarrow \\ q & \longmapsto & [\sigma_1(q), \dots, \sigma_N(q)] \end{array}, \quad \langle \sigma_1, \dots, \sigma_N \rangle = H^0(S, \mathcal{O}(L))$$

$$\Rightarrow \ell = h^0(S, \mathcal{O}(L)) \Rightarrow \ell - 1 = N \Rightarrow N = h^0(S, \mathcal{O}(L)) - 1$$

If $N = 1$, $S \subset \mathbb{P}^1 \Rightarrow \mathbb{P}^1 = S \Rightarrow g(S) = 0 \quad *$

According to P177, (*), the degree of $\iota_L(S)$ is given by $(C_1(L))^n$, where $n=1$ in our case since $\dim S = 1$.