

Note that away from the branch locus the map  $\pi$  is a covering map and we can take coordinates  $(z_1(p), \dots, z_d(p))$  on  $S^{(d)}$ . At the other extreme, around a point d.p. local coordinates are

$$(z_1 + \dots + z_d, \dots, z_1 \dots z_d).$$

For  $d=3$ ,  $(z_1, z_2, z_3) \xrightarrow{\phi} (z_1+z_2+z_3, z_1z_2+z_2z_3+z_3z_1, z_1z_2z_3)$

$$\Rightarrow J(\phi) = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ z_2+z_3 & z_1+z_3 & z_1+z_2 \\ z_2z_3 & z_1z_3 & z_2z_1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$\Rightarrow |J(\phi)| = a(z_1-z_2)(z_2-z_3)(z_3-z_1)$  since we note that, if  $z_1=z_2$ ,  $z_2=z_3$  or  $z_1=z_3$ ,  $|J(\phi)|=0$ , and  $\deg |J(\phi)|=3$ . We can see the coefficient of  $z_2^2 z_1$  is equal to 1.  $\Rightarrow a=1$ .

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In general  $d$ ,  $|J(\phi)| = a(z_1-z_2)(z_2-z_3)(z_3-z_4) \dots (z_d-z_1)$  where  $a = \pm 1$  or  $-1$ .  $\square$

The compact complex manifold  $S^{(d)}$  is called the  $d$ th symmetric product of  $S$ . (It is interesting to verify that at  $P^{(d)} = P^d$ .)

Again for  $d=2$ , consider a map  $\phi$  defined by

$$\mathbb{P}^1 \times \mathbb{P}^1 \longrightarrow \mathbb{P}^2$$

$$([z_0, z_1], [w_0, w_1]) \longmapsto [z_0 w_0, z_1 w_0 + z_0 w_1, z_1 w_1]$$

$\Rightarrow$  Obviously,  $\phi$  is holomorphic, and  $\phi([w_0, w_1], [z_0, z_1])$