

$$\text{If } 0 = \sum a_{\bar{u}\bar{i}} \left(\frac{W^{CP}}{dz_{\bar{i}}} \right) = a_{u1} \frac{W}{dz_1}(p_1) + \dots + a_{ud} \frac{W}{dz_d}(p_d).$$

Plug $W_{\bar{i}}$ in W .

$$\Rightarrow a_{u1} \frac{W_{\bar{i}}}{dz_1}(p_1) + \dots + a_{ud} \frac{W_{\bar{i}}}{dz_d}(p_d), \quad \bar{i} = 1, 2, \dots, g.$$

$$\Rightarrow a_{u1} \begin{pmatrix} \frac{W_1}{dz_1}(p_1) \\ \vdots \\ \frac{W_g}{dz_1}(p_1) \end{pmatrix} + a_{u2} \begin{pmatrix} \frac{W_1}{dz_2}(p_2) \\ \vdots \\ \frac{W_g}{dz_2}(p_2) \end{pmatrix} + \dots + a_{ud} \begin{pmatrix} \frac{W_1}{dz_d}(p_d) \\ \vdots \\ \frac{W_g}{dz_d}(p_d) \end{pmatrix} = 0$$

for $u = 1, 2, \dots, r$.

\Rightarrow This gives r independent relations on the points p_i on the canonical curve since $\{(a_{u1}, a_{u2}, \dots, a_{ud}), \dots, (a_{r1}, a_{r2}, \dots, a_{rd})\}$ is a linearly independent set. Thus since $\{ \bar{u}_k(p_i) \text{'s} \}$ has at least r independent relations, the dimension of the space $|D|$ spanned by $\{ \bar{u}_k(p_i) \text{'s}, \bar{i} = 1, 2, \dots, d \}$ is $\leq d - 1 - r$.

$\Rightarrow \dim |D| \leq d - 1 - r \leq d - 1 - \dim |D|$, since $r \leq \dim |D| = \text{dimension of the complete linear system.}$ \square

We may now prove the opposite inequality by applying (*) to the residual series $K-D$ of D . Suppose that on the canonical curve

$$\dim \bar{D} = d - s - 1.$$

The hyperplanes in \mathbb{P}^{g-1} containing D then cut out a linear subseries of $|K-D|$ of dimension

$$(g-1) - (d-s-1) - 1 = g - d + s - 1.$$